

2025 RELEASE UNDER E.O. 14176

Mr. Ray....

The material which you have written for me is most helpful. With it I can re-create your escape on April 23, 1967, your walk toward Kansas City, how you reached Chicago, and how you lived there for about two months, working at the Indian Trail Restaurant in Winnetka.

I need exactly this sort of information for every other period of your life from the day you left Chicago for Canada....This 11 months from your escape down to about March 1, 1968.

I also need some additional detail as to your way of life inside the prison during the seven years prior to your escape.

Here are more questions:

✓ In that seven years name for me all the people who visited you.

✓ How often did you have a visit from somebody?

✓ Estimate for me how many times you had a visitor during that seven years?

✓ Did any woman ever visit you?

✓ Immediately prior to your escape on April 23rd, when had you had your last visitor? A month? Three months? Christmas? Six months?

✓ Tell me how and where you slept in prison? Alone in a cell? With one cell-mate? Who was your last cell-mate?

✓ Tell me about this last cell-mate? Who? What crime was he in for? Did he talk a lot? What about?

8-14-68
Dear Jack coal;

Tell Jack I got his letter, I also
got one from Jerry. Tell Jack I wrote
Jerry asking him to come down but
am not sure he got it since I
couldn't hardly tell what the address
was he had on the letter, Tell him
the Judge has O.K. on tour in unit.

I want to talk to him about Stoner
also I think I got some news of interest
for him & Jack Lott, and that Honea
will prob. if want to see Olan so
bring enough to stay a couple days
in Birmingham, I can explain everything
when I see them. Try to come only
day except Wed. & Sun.

Take it Easy Jack



Mrs. Carol Pepper

2025 Belvue

Maplewood, Missouri

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Director, FBI (44-38861)

FROM : *JFK*
Jan Legat, London (88-72) (P)

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 9/3/68

ReBulet 8/8/68.

On 8/26/68 Mr. JACK HERFURT, Counselor for Consular Affairs, U. S. Embassy, London, advised that the British Foreign Office did locate the original identification card from the State of Missouri among their documents relating to the Ray extradition matter.

Mr. HERFURT advised he obtained the original card from the Foreign Office and on 8/26/68 forwarded it to Mr. MARK B. FELDMAN, Room 5423, Department of State, Washington, D. C., for return to the Missouri authorities.

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1 - Liaison (direct)
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450PM URGENT 9-5-68 DJM

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM: SAC, SPRINGFIELD (44-561)

MURKIN

RE SPRINGFIELD TELETYPE SEPTEMBER FOUR LAST.

CHIEF WILLIAM PETERSEN (NA), ALTON PD; WILLIAM BEARDSMORE, PRESIDENT, THE BANK OF ALTON; AND PAUL COUSLEY, EDITOR, ALTON EVENING TELEGRAPH, ADVISED NO CURRENT OR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION HAS COME TO THEIR ATTENTION SINCE MATTER LAST DISCUSSED.

PCI LARRY R. MANNS ADVISED HAROLD RICHARD COVINGTON CONCERNED OVER INCREASED EMPHASIS ON BR INVESTIGATION AND MADE STATEMENT HE HOPES QUOTE THE HEAT WILL BE TURNED OFF SOON END QUOTE. MANNS CONTINUING EFFORTS TO PINPOINT COVINGTON'S WHEREABOUTS SO HE MIGHT BE INTERVIEWED.

AIRMAIL COPIES TO CHICAGO, MEMPHIS, AND ST. LOUIS.

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Date: 8/24/68

Transmit the following in _____
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(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
 ATTENTION: IDENTIFICATION DIVISION,
 LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION

FROM: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987) (P)

SUBJECT: MURKIN

ReBuairtel to Memphis 8/8/68, and Memphis
 airtel to Bureau 5/20/68.

RE: SUSPECTS W. DAVIS, B. CHIDLOW,
VINCENT WALKER, AND LAWRENCE RAND

Enclosed herewith for the Identification Division
 are three fingerprint cards bearing prints of Mrs. RUBY
 WIGGINS, and two fingerprint cards bearing prints of Miss
 ROSE FRATINI, both employees of the William Len Hotel,
 110 Monroe, Memphis, Tennessee.

Captain R. L. WILLIAMS, Homicide Bureau, Memphis
 Police Department, Memphis, Tennessee, advised SA HARLEY E.
 GYLFE on 8/12/68 that according to records of the Memphis
 Police Department, the registration cards of the William
 Len Hotel, 110 Monroe Street, Memphis, for VINCENT WALKER
 and LAWRENCE RAND on 4/4/68 were obtained by officers of
 the Memphis Police Department. He advised he has no way of
 knowing who touched or handled these registration cards.
 He explained these registration cards were not picked up
 by the Memphis Police Department until several days after
 these individuals came to their attention. Consequently
 the registration cards themselves were not treated as
 evidence and therefore no limitations were made by the

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SEP 17 1968

TO: DIRECTOR

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-100000) (P)

SUBJECT: MURDER OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
RE: NEW YORK TELETYPE TO BUREAU, SEPTEMBER 17, 1968.

END

9/24/68

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Memphis Police Department for protection of these cards from being handled. He pointed out further the Memphis Police Department has no way of knowing if any other law enforcement agency personnel has handled these registration cards.

Inasmuch as it cannot be determined with any certainty the identity of the individuals at the Memphis Police Department that may have or likely handled these registration cards, no elimination prints will be obtained from personnel of the Memphis Police Department.

With regard to personnel of the William Len Hotel, mentioned above, who likely handled these cards, Mr. KENNETH W. NEWMAN, Manager of the William Len Hotel, advised SA GYLFE on 8/16/68 the only logical persons who would normally handle the above-described registration cards are Mrs. RUBY WIGGINS, who registered captioned individuals into the hotel, and Miss ROSE FRATINI, telephone operator, whose duty it is to file the registration cards for the hotel. He pointed out, however, all personnel of the hotel do have access to the registration cards should the need arise. He also commented other individuals such as the various law enforcement officers at times have access to and do handle the registration cards.

Bearing the above comments in mind as related by Mr. NEWMAN, elimination prints of Mrs. WIGGINS and Miss FRATINI were obtained. It is obvious the enclosed prints are not of good quality or clarity; however, the Bureau is requested to bear in mind the age of both of these women and the fact both commented while being printed that they are suffering from arthritis and therefore were not able to cooperate as well as they would have liked to, so as to furnish clear prints. Additional prints are enclosed of these two individuals so as to be of assistance, if possible, in the examination.

The FBI Identification Division, Latent Fingerprint Section, is requested to examine the enclosed fingerprint cards with the unidentified latent prints developed on the William Len Hotel registration cards concerning VINCENT WALKER and LAWRENCE RAND.

See addendum page 3.

Note: See addendum General Investigative Division
Page 4.

ADDENDUM OF THE IDENTIFICATION DIVISION: *SEL*/egd 8-29-68

Submitted elimination prints not identical with latent prints previously reported on William Len Hotel registration cards. Memphis Division advised.

Recommend matter (see memorandum A. Rosen to Mr. DeLoach, dated August 5, 1968, entitled "Murkin") be referred to General Investigative Division for further consideration.

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As a result of checking various hotels and motels in Memphis, Tennessee, regarding suspects in the Martin Luther King, Jr. assassination, it was determined that an individual by the name of Vincent Walker and another by the name of Lawrence Rand registered at the William Len Hotel in Memphis on April 4, 1968. On April 5, 1968, they made a hasty departure from the hotel taking a taxicab to the Memphis Airport. Investigation strongly indicates that these two individuals departed Memphis by Delta Airlines Flight No. 157, nonstop to Houston, Texas, on April 5, 1968, using the names of W. Davis and B. Chidlow.

This matter has been thoroughly checked with negative results in order to determine the true identity of these individuals. It appears that these two individuals may have been in Memphis for the possibility of committing some illegal activity or there as possible fugitives "cooling off" and departed immediately because of the pressure of law enforcement on the King assassination.

In view of the fact that these two individuals may be Bureau fugitives and could be possibly implicated as co-conspirators, it is recommended that this matter be referred to the Identification Division for the purpose of determining if it is feasible to check all unidentified latent fingerprints from the registration cards of the William Len Hotel with that of white Bureau fugitives between the ages of 20 and 35. It is noted that the best available information indicates that Walker and Rand are described as white males between the ages of 20 and 35.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-28861)

FROM: MEMPHIS (44-1987)

2 letters

Ref: ME airtel, 9/9/68

44-38861-5166
ENCLOSURE

7-5-68

James -

Just a short note to let you know how things are going. I wrote you another letter but put the wrong town down, (Dumb huh?) So that's why I'm writing you now. Things are pretty well about the same here as before. When will you be going to court?

I hear you have a pretty good lawyer. Don't forget that there are a lot of people behind you. And that you are still in the "south". I was down in a small town in Santa Barbara then I jump here to Stockton.

Might go to Australia if things keep going bad. I know that you must

feel pretty "down an out now"
but believe in that all
things are going to be
alright. Are you aloud
visitors there? If so I may
come to "Memphis" for about
a week and see you (OK)?

Do you want me to do
anything for you or get you
anything. Just let me know.
I'm going to Frisco Monday
for a few days, just to
take in the sites. My mom
went back to Ohio to
visit her folks. I guess
they are not going to live
much longer.

You did the right
thing, it just fail. Maybe
RW will be easier. Well
I'm going to have to
go. Let me know how

things are going and
let me know ~~if~~ how
things ~~are~~ are working
and if you need any-
thing write soon.
Lee

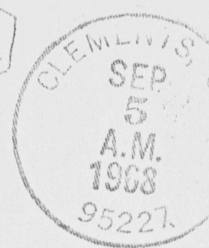
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Leon W. Short
General Delivery
Clement, California

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Air MAIL

Leon W. Short
General Delivery
Clemente, California



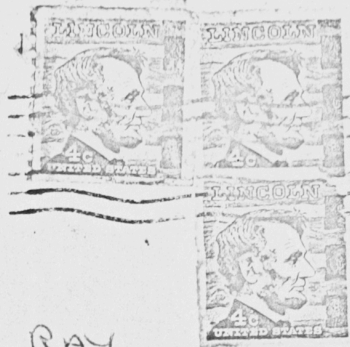
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Air Mail

James EARL RAY
Memphis County Jail
Memphis TENNESSEE

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CAMP MARCOS Camp
LEON William Short
100 LA PETARA
Goleta, California



JAMES EARL RAY
~~Nashville~~ County Jail
~~NASHVILLE~~ TENNESSEE
Memphis

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AIR MAIL

8-27-68

James -

I hope things are going well for you, considering the surrounding you are in. They have kept everything pretty well quiet about your trial. I can imagine the treatment they have been giving you? (No tea party I guess)

The weather out here in California is quite sunny and cloudy at times. If there is anything you want or want me to get you, I will get it to you as soon as possible.

I was wondering if they let you read the paper there? There are quite

a few people out here
routing in your corner
for you. I'm sure you
will win an acquittal.

If you are short of
funds I will send you
money for cigarettes, candy,
books etc. (How about a
cold beer). I guess things
are pretty gloomy in there.
I hope this letter make
you feel a lot better.

I would like to
~~see~~ hear from you
and let me know if
you need anything. Take
it easy and don't worry
about anything. Write soon
Lee

P.S. My ADDRESS is on the back.

ME 44-1987

LEADS

LOS ANGELES

AT GOLETA, CALIFORNIA

Unless advised to the contrary by the Bureau, will identify the Camp Marcos Camp and review indices and identify LEON WILLIAM SHORT, 100 La Petara.

SACRAMENTO

AT CLEMENTS, CALIFORNIA

Unless advised to the contrary by the Bureau, will review indices and conduct necessary investigation in an attempt to identify LEON W. SHORT, C/O General Delivery.

MEMPHIS

AT MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE

Will maintain contact with Captain J. G. RAY, Shelby County Sheriff's Department, pending receipt by the Sheriff's Department of any additional mail from SHORT addressed to JAMES EARL RAY.

F B I

Date: 9/9/68

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTEL _____
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
FROM: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987) (P)
SUBJECT: MURKIN
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OO MEMPHIS

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau, Los Angeles, and Sacramento is one copy each of two letters addressed to JAMES EARL RAY, described as follows:

#1 letter postmarked 8/28/68 at Goleta, Cal., from Camp Marcos Camp, LEON WILLIAM SHORT, 100 La Petara, Goleta, California;

#2 letter postmarked 9/5/68 at Clements, Cal., from LEON W. SHORT, General Delivery, Clements, California.

These letters were made available to the Memphis Division on 9/9/68 by Captain J. G. RAY, Memphis, Tenn., PD, who is in charge of the security of JAMES EARL RAY at the Shelby County Jail, Memphis.

Both of these letters are self explanatory and from the contents it appears that SHORT and RAY may have been acquainted with each other sometime in the past.

- ③ - Bureau (Encs. 2) **ENCLOSURE**
2 - Los Angeles (Encs. 2)
2 - Sacramento (Encs. 2)

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C. C. Bishop

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Registered _____ Special Agent in Charge

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM : SAC, NEW YORK
SUBJECT: [Illegible]

RE: NEW YORK TELETYPE TO BUREAU, SEPTEMBER TEN LAST.

FOR INFORMATION OF THE BUREAU, THE FOLLOWING IS A SUMMARY OF THE MATTER:

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September 12, 1968

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TELETYPE

URGENT

1 - Mr. Long

REC 4 TO: SACs, LOS ANGELES AND SACRAMENTO
FROM: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
MURKIN

RE MEMPHIS AIRTEL TO THE BUREAU DATED SEPTEMBER NINE,
LAST.

IDENTIFICATION OF CAMP MARCOS CAMP AND LEON WILLIAM
SHORT SHOULD BE ACCOMPLISHED THROUGH CHECK OF OFFICE INDICES,
POLICE DEPARTMENT AND CREDIT BUREAU RECORDS. DO NOT ATTEMPT
TO INTERVIEW SHORT OR CONDUCT ACTIVE INVESTIGATION.

IDENTIFICATION RECORD FOR ONE LEON WILLIAM SHORT,
FBI NUMBER FOUR SEVEN NINE EIGHT THREE F, WITH LAST ENTRY
RECORDING ARREST BY POLICE DEPARTMENT POMONA, CALIFORNIA,
NUMBER THREE ONE EIGHT SEVEN EIGHT ON SEPTEMBER TWENTYNINE,
LAST ON CHARGES OF INTOX, POMONA TRAFFIC WARRANT, RESIST ARREST
AND DISPOSITION OF 'GUILT NINE DAYS' WILL BE FORWARDED TO YOU
UNDER SEPARATE COVER. IT IS NOT KNOWN IF THIS INDIVIDUAL IS
IDENTICAL. IDENTIFICATION RECORD OF SHORT DOES NOT LIST ANY
PLACE OF INCARCERATION WITH THAT OF SUBJECT RAY.

1 - AIRMAIL COPY MEMPHIS (44-1987)

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NOTE:

Memphis has transmitted to us copies of two separate letters addressed to James Earl Ray as made available by Captain Ray of the Memphis, Tennessee, Police Department who is in charge of the security of James Earl Ray at the Shelby County Jail, Memphis, Tennessee. Letter number one is postmarked 8-22-68 at Goleta, California, from Camp Marcos Camp, Leon William Short and letter number two is postmarked 9-5-68 at Clements, California, from Leon W. Short, General Delivery, Clements, California. These letters in general offer assistance to subject Ray in the form of financial help and generally are sympathetic towards Ray.

Memphis has instructed Los Angeles and Sacramento to identify the Camp Marcos Camp and Short, and instructions are being given by this teletype to restrict identification through check of office indices, police department and credit Bureau records and not to interview Short. The handwriting in these letters will be examined by our laboratory. Bureau indices negative re Short. Identification record of one Leon William Short being forwarded to Los Angeles and Sacramento under separate cover., which list numerous arrests from 2-3-68 to 9-29-68.

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Mr. BEASLEY stated that he will immediately make available to the Memphis FBI Office a copy of any order that Judge BATTLE signs that involves the final instructions in connection with a verbal order given on 9/6/68.

Memphis Division will follow this matter on a daily basis.

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Date: 9/9/68

Transmit the following in _____
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
 FROM: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987) (P)
 SUBJECT: MURKIN
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OO MEMPHIS

Re Memphis teletype to the Bureau 9/6/68 concerning disposition of three motions made by the attorneys for JAMES EARL RAY before the Honorable W. PRESTON BATTLE, Shelby County Criminal Court Judge, Memphis, Tenn.

On 9/9/68 Mr. JAMES BEASLEY, Assistant State Attorney General, Memphis, Tenn., advised that the verbal instructions given to the State Attorney General's Office by the Honorable W. PRESTON BATTLE, Shelby County Criminal Court Judge, Memphis, on 9/6/68 have not been reduced to writing and will not be reduced to writing until sometime prior to 9/18/68, which is the date the Attorney General's Office is required to comply with these instructions.

Mr. BEASLEY stated that his office is reviewing the results of the investigation in their possession concerning the killing of Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., in order to determine what evidence and documents are in possession of the Attorney General's Office. Upon completion of this review, the Honorable Judge W. PRESTON BATTLE will be furnished this information and at that time the Judge will finalize his order concerning exactly what items will be made available to the defense attorneys.

Teletype ③ - Bureau
2 - Memphis
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A.M. _____Spec. Del. _____Reg. Mail C. C. Bishop

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 Approved: [Signature]
 Special Agent in Charge

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SACs, Los Angeles
Sacramento
Memphis
Director, FBI

September 12, 1968

1 - Mr. Long

MURKIN

Re Bureau teletype to Los Angeles and Sacramento
dated 9-12-68.

Enclosed for Los Angeles, Sacramento, and Memphis
are two copies each of identification record for one
Leon William Short referred to in referenced communication.

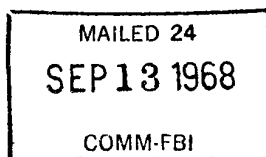
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56 SEP 19 1968

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20537

9-11-68 446 LL

J. Edgar Hoover
Director.

The following FBI record, NUMBER 47 933 F, is furnished FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY.

CONTRIBUTOR OF FINGERPRINTS	NAME AND NUMBER	ARRESTED OR RECEIVED	CHARGE	DISPOSITION
PD Pasadena Calif	Leon William Short #55520	2-3-63	Inv PC 459 burg	rel to Juvenile Auth
Army	Leon William Short #DA 19 825 463	11-13-64 Ft Polk	conditions Ft	disch under honorable Dix NJ 1-24-67
USAREUR & North Baden District Stockade APO NY NY	Leon William Short	FP 8-10-66	inquiry	
SO San Bernardino Calif	Leon W. Short #222613	4-24-67	F/app traff for Citrus	since neither fingerprints nor an identifying number which is index in our files accompanied your request FBI cannot guarantee in any manner that this material concerns the individual in whom you are interested
SO Los Angeles Calif	Leon Short #C-529770	4-25-67	No Valid oper lic CITRUS #B801267	
SO San Bernardino Calif	Leon William Short #225244	7-5-67	drk	\$29 or 5 das
SO San Bernardino Calif	Leon William Short #229067	8-31-67	drk	\$39 fine
SO San Bernardino Calif	Leon W. Short #230632	9-21-67	Vio Prob On Traff for Alhambra	

ENCLOSURE

Information shown on this Identification Record represents data furnished FBI by fingerprint contributors. Where final disposition is not shown or further explanation of charge is desired, communicate with agency contributing those fingerprints.

Notations indicated by * are NOT based on fingerprints in FBI files but are listed only as investigative leads as being possibly identical with subject of this record.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20537

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J. Edgar Hoover
Director.

The following FBI record, NUMBER 47 983 F, is furnished FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY.

CONTRIBUTOR OF FINGERPRINTS	NAME AND NUMBER	ARRESTED OR RECEIVED	CHARGE	DISPOSITION
PD Pomona Calif	Leon William Short #31878	9-29-67	intox, Pomona traff warrant resist arrest	guilty 9:45 a.m. Co
since neither fingerprints nor on identifying number which is indexed in this file as requested your request, FBI cannot give you in any manner that this material concerns the individual in whom you are interested				

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D.C., 20537

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J. Edgar Hoover
Director

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The following FBI record, NUMBER 47 983 F, is furnished FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY.

All descriptive factors (if any) furnished by you match those in our identification file unless herein quoted.

DESCRIPTION AND RELATED DATA:

Race: White

Sex: Male

Height: 6-2

Weight: 170

Hair: Brown

Eyes: Brown

Date and Place of Birth: Lima Ohio

Scars & Marks: 4" scar on stomach.

Address: 4200 E Holt Ave Montclair Calif in 1967

Occupation: Tile worker

Subject's fingerprint record does not contain a photograph; however one may be obtained from SO San Bernardino Calif.

Since this identifying number which is indexed in our files accompanied your request, FBI cannot guarantee in any manner that this material concerns the individual in whom you are interested.

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September 11, 1968

AIRTEL

To: SAC, Birmingham (44-1740) **REC 46**
EX 110
From: Director, FBI (44-38861) 1 - Mr. Long
MURKIN

ReBHairtel to the Bureau dated 9/2/68.

You should not honor the request of Huie as set forth in referenced communication, and under no circumstances should you "bargain" with him.

Keep the Bureau fully advised of any further contacts Huie may make with you.

1 - Memphis (44-1987)

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1 COPIES
RCB/SS. M.L. King, Jr.
FOR REVIEW AT BUREAU ON DELIVERY
TO HQ ON REQUEST DATED 5/3/78
(SEE BUFILE 62-117200)

2/2/78 JTA/jmm
re: Huie

1-20-78

NOTE: See Rosen to DeLoach memo September 10, 1968.

We have furnished information in the memorandum to the Department, and have advised them we will furnish the information to Memphis authorities unless they advise to the contrary. We are of course following this with the Department.

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25 SEP 23 1968

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. DeLoach

DATE: September 10, 1968

FROM : A. Rosen

1 - Mr. DeLoach
1 - Mr. Rosen
1 - Mr. Malley
1 - Mr. McGowan
1 - Mr. Long
1 - Mr. Bishop

SUBJECT: MURKIN

This is the case involving the murder of Martin Luther King, Jr.

On September 1, 1968, William Bradford Huie, author, whose books included "Three Lives for Mississippi," dealing with the murder of three Civil Rights workers in June of 1964, was contacted by our Birmingham Agents at his home in Hartselle, Alabama, upon his request. Huie requested that the interview be kept in confidence for reasons depicted in the information furnished.

Huie stated that while James Earl Ray was incarcerated in London, England, he (Huie) entered into a contract with Ray to write the true account of Ray's activities and background concerning the assassination of Martin Luther King, Jr. This contract is also of interest to Ray's attorney, Arthur Hanes, inasmuch as the cost of the trial, including attorney fees, is dependent upon the commercial success of the contract. Huie has advised that to date he has invested approximately \$20,000 in this venture. Huie further relates he is in constant contact with subject Ray through Attorney Hanes in the form of written questions and answers by Ray, which includes names of cities, states, places, maps and individuals contacted by Ray, as well as activities from the date of his escape from prison to his apprehension in England.

Huie stated that to date he has been refused personal contact with Ray by Judge W. Preston Battle, the judge who will handle the trial, state of Tennessee. He stated that he is highly desirous in obtaining current non-publicized photographs of Ray which would be the character type rather than the mug shots.

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Huie stated he would be most willing to divulge all information he has received to date to the Bureau on a confidential basis, as well as all information he may receive in the future on a current basis, provided the requests could be met.

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Mr. Huie advised that the Bureau is not attempting to influence, interfere, or suggest action taken by state officials or courts.

We are running out information in Huie's possession developed through sources, regarding previously unknown activities of Ray between the time of his escape in April, 1967, and his apprehension on June 8, 1968. The Department has been alerted to Huie's contemplated "Look" story on Ray and has under consideration the question of obtaining a search warrant or subpoena duces tecum for his notes and/or calling Huie before a Federal Grand Jury. If Department declines to take any action on this information, we will furnish the information to the appropriate local authorities. This is being followed closely with the Department.

ACTION:

It is recommended that the request of Huie not be honored, and that Birmingham be instructed that under no circumstances should they "bargain" with him. It is further recommended that this new information be provided to the Department and authority be requested to furnish this information to appropriate local authorities. Attached for approval is a letter to the Department incorporating therein the results of contact with Huie as set forth in this memorandum, and requesting Department's decision on a matter previously discussed with them.

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500PM URGENT 9-13-68 LCS

TO DIRECTOR 44-38861

FROM ATLANTA 44-2386

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STANLEY SPANGLER, ATLANTA, ADVISED WHILE
WITHDRAWING MONEY FROM ATLANTA FEDERAL SAVINGS AND LOAN
BANK, ATLANTA, THIS DATE, HE SAW NAME JAMES RAY AND
MARIETTA, GA., ADDRESS WRITTEN ON ONE HUNDRED DOLLAR
BILL. HE LEFT THAT BILL WITH THE BANK AFTER CALLING
IT TO ATTENTION OF TELLER.

JOHN S. HALL, ASSISTANT VICE PRESIDENT, ATLANTA
FEDERAL, EXHIBITED THE BILL WHICH CONTAINED FOLLOWING
PRINTED WITH BLUE INK "JOHN W. MC MILLAN, APT. G-THREE, JAMES
RAY, MARIETTA, GEORGIA." ALSO WRITTEN ON SAME BILL
IN RED INK IS "CR BELL" OR "BILL". THIS APPEARS ON
ONE HUNDRED DOLLAR FEDERAL RESERVE NOTE, SERIES NINETEEN
FIFTY, SERIAL NUMBER E ZERO TWO TWO SEVEN ONE ZERO ONE
A. THE BILL WAS LEFT IN POSSESSION OF MR. HALL, WHO STATED
HE WOULD RETAIN IT IN THE EVENT FBI EXAMINATION DESIRED.

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TELEPHONE AND CITY DIRECTORIES FOR MARIETTA, GA.,
CONTAIN LISTING FOR J. W. MC MILLAN, THREE ZERO TWO ONE,
SOUTH ATLANTA, SOUTHEAST, SMYRNA, GA. CITY DIRECTORY
REFLECTS THIS IS PRIVATE RESIDENCE WITH OCCUPANTS LISTED
AS FRANK MC MILLAN AND J. W. MC MILLAN. J. W. MC MILLAN
LISTED AS CLERK, ATLANTA AIRPORT, AND MARRIED.

NCIC AND ATLANTA INDICES NEGATIVE RE ONE HUNDRED
DOLLAR BILL.

BUREAU REQUESTED TO ADVISE IF ABOVE-DESCRIBED
ONE HUNDRED DOLLAR BILL MAY BE BAIT MONEY FROM BANK ROBBERY
OR OTHERWISE RECORDED WITH BUREAU. INVESTIGATION BEING
CONDUCTED TO DETERMINE IDENTITY AND BACKGROUND OF J. W.
MC MILLAN.

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	5146	AIRTEL FM NEW ORLEANS 8-30-68		1	1												
	5147	TELETYPE FM SPRINGFIELD 9-3-68		1	1				✓	✓							
	5148	AIRTEL FM PARIS 8-30-68		1	1												
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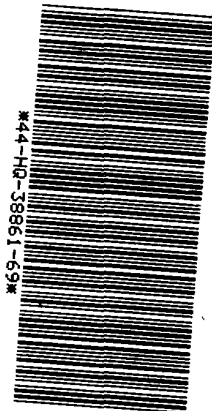
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