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To: Director, FBI (44-38861)

From: Legat, Ottawa (44-4) (P)

Subject: MURKIN
(OO: ME)

Re my airtel 11-29-68.

Montreal, Quebec, Division of RCMP advised by Telex that the Editor in Chief of the "Montreal Star" was interviewed, but no photograph other than Ray's is on their file. Reporter Bruce Taylor, author of the article which appeared in the 10-31-68, edition of said newspaper, did interview Charron and exhibited two photographs of Ray. He also questioned Charron re Raoul but did not suggest one of the two photographs was Raoul.

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 which appeared in the 10-31-68, edition of said newspaper,
 their title. Reporter Bruce Taylor, editor of the Chicago
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 letter that the Editor in Chief of the "Montreal Star", was
 Montreal, Quebec, Director of RCMP advised by
 re was dated 11-26-68.

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Subject: MURKIN

From: Legal, Ottawa (44-4) (P)

To: Director, FBI (44-38861)

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 FROM LEGAT, OTTAWA (44-4) (P)
 SUBJECT MURKIN
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Remyairtel, 11/29/68.

Attached are copies of RCMP Montreal report dated 11/15/68, setting out results of additional investigation to identify Raoul.

Bureau's attention particularly directed to Paragraph 5 indicating two newspaper reporters from U.S. exhibited photo of individual purported to be Raoul to owner of Neptune Tavern. Bureau requested to advise if similar information received from other witnesses and, if so, if identity of newspaper men established and results of interview.

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How other witnesses and if so, if identity of member
Bureau requested to advise if similar information received
of individuals purported to be known to owner of machine travel
a indicating two member reporters from D.C. exhibited photo
Bureau's attention particularly directed to persons

to identify person.
11/18/68, setting out results of additional investigation
attached are copies of some member report dated

November, 11/30/68.

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TO: DIRECTOR: FBI (44-38861)

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Date: December 3, 1968

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10-30 (4-4-1968)

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. DeLoach *DL*

DATE: 12-12-68

FROM : A. Rosen *AR*

SUBJECT: MURKIN

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

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

On November 12, 1968, William Bradford Huie, author (writing the life story of James Earl Ray) and Arthur B. Hanes (former attorney for Ray) were interviewed on "News Magazine" program of the Canadian Broadcasting Company Ottawa, Canada, (channel 4). We have been provided with a transcript of the interview. *245*

The transcript has been reviewed and the interview of Huie and Hanes generally follow the lines as set forth in the two articles written by Huie as contained in prior issues of "Look" magazine. Again Huie wants his audience to believe that Ray is involved in a conspiracy but gives no specifics or details to substantiate his various views. *B*

The following two points in the interview are noteworthy:

1. In this interview Huie states that Ray was involved in a "deal" with an individual by the name of "Raoul," and he stated that Ray made two trips across the Canadian and United States border for "Raoul" apparently carrying two packages of narcotics. It is noted that this is the first time that Huie states what Ray was specifically transporting in these packages.

2. Huie states that it is his opinion that "somebody very much like "Raoul" will be arrested one of these days and before too long," (not further explained)

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TITLE OF CASE JAMES EARL RAY, aka; Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. - VICTIM		REPORT MADE BY LEO J. ROSS	TYPED BY jpw
		CHARACTER OF CASE CR - CONSPIRACY UFAC - ROBBERY	

REFERENCE:

New Orleans report of SA ALBERT B. MILLER dated 11/27/68.

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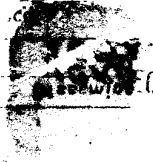
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Copy to: 1 - United States Attorney, Memphis, Tennessee

Report of: SA LEO J. ROSS
Date: December 6, 1968

Office: Omaha

Field Office File #: 44-310

Bureau File #: 44-38861

Title: JAMES EARL RAY;
Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. -
VICTIM

Character: CIVIL RIGHTS - CONSPIRACY
UNLAWFUL FLIGHT TO AVOID CONFINEMENT - ROBBERY

Synopsis:

DONALD L. and MARILYN SMITH, Sioux City, Iowa, occupied Room 125 at Provincial Motel, New Orleans, Louisiana, from 12/15-20/67 but have no recollection of observing RAY or occupants of Room 126.

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Details:

Information was received from the New Orleans Office that Mr. and Mrs. DONALD L. SMITH, Sioux City, Iowa, had registered on December 15, 1967, at the Provincial Motel, 1024 Chartres Street, New Orleans, Louisiana.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date December 6, 19681

Mrs. MARILYN SMITH, 3319 Dodge Avenue, informed she and husband, DONALD L. SMITH, flew to New Orleans, Louisiana, on or about December 15, 1967, for a week's vacation and stayed at the Provincial Motel in New Orleans.

They took an unrecalled taxicab to the motel and occupied Room 125, located at the rear of the motel.

She informed she never observed the occupants of the motel room next to their unit, but noted she did hear someone entering this unit, but could not see as they had their shades pulled.

She noted the first evening there apparently were several people in the adjoining unit, as they could hear muffled voices, and there was considerable traffic in and out. However, this group left on December 16, 1968. Thereafter, they heard no voices coming from this unit. She said she could not be certain on which days thereafter she heard someone entering or leaving and could not say whether it was in the morning or evening.

They had no visitors in their room. She made one local telephone call to a cousin who lived in New Orleans, who is now deceased.

She paid no attention to automobiles in the parking area and has no recollection of any vehicle that might have been parked in this space.

She observed photographs of JAMES EARL RAY and said she has no recollection of seeing him at the Provincial Motel.

On 12/4/68 at Sioux City, Iowa File # Omaha 44-310
by SA LEO J. ROSEN:jpw 2 Date dictated 12/5/68

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1Date December 6, 1968

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They checked into Room 125 at the Provincial Motel on December 15, 1967. The unit was located on the ground level at the rear of the motel and fronted on a parking area. There was a door to another Room located next to them. This adjoining unit was occupied their first night, apparently by a family as there was considerable movement in and out and they could hear muffled voices coming from the unit.

Thereafter, he was of the impression this unit was not occupied; however, later they did hear someone going in and out, but heard no voices. They kept their drapes pulled and were unable to observe the next door occupant. He believes the unit was actually occupied on December 17 and 18, 1967.

He noted he and his wife had no visitors to the motel and his wife made one local telephone call to a cousin who lived in New Orleans.

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SAC, Memphis (44-1987)

12/16/68

Director, FBI (44-38861)

1 - Mr. Long

MURKIN

On November 12, 1968, William Bradford Huie and Arthur B. Hanes were interviewed on "News Magazine" program of the Canadian Broadcasting Company, Ottawa, Canada. Enclosed are two copies of a transcript of the interview.

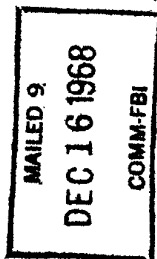
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NOTE:

See Rosen to DeLoach memo, 12/12/68, REL:jms, captioned "Murkin." We are providing the Department with a copy of the transcript, and we are requesting permission to disseminate a copy of the transcript to Mr. Phil M. Canale, Jr., State Attorney General, Shelby County, Memphis, Tennessee, who is handling the state prosecution of James Earl Ray.



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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-442611) FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-157291) (P)
SUBJECT: MURDER OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.; CIVIL RIGHTS
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"NEWS MAGAZINE" - C.B.O.T. - CHANNEL 4

Tuesday, November 12, 1968

COMMENTATOR: Gordon DONALDSON

SUBJECT - The assassination of Martin Luther KING by James Earl RAY - the nature of the crime and the nature of the accused.

GUESTS - Arthur HAYNES (ph) - Lawyer who prepared RAY's defence.
William Bradford HEWEY (ph) - Author who bought RAY's story.

HEWEY - I thought it was enormously important to find out everything that RAY knew and since in our country, no defendant can be compelled, or can even be questioned by the F.B.I. for instance, or can be compelled to give evidence against himself, I thought that the only way to find out all that RAY knew was to make some sort of deal with him and this is what I did.

DONALDSON - You mean this evidence would not be coming out in the trial.

HEWEY - Very little of it, I actually think, will come out at the trial.

DONALDSON - Here, your conspiracy feeling, shall we say, your evidence of a conspiracy, does this all come from RAY or does this come from independent sources as well.

HEWEY - The beginnings come from RAY. I use what RAY tells me. I start there - and RAY from the moment that he broke out

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of prison in the Missouri State Penitentiary on April 23, 1967, he went to Canada because he had read stories about how criminals from the United States had gone to Montreal and how they had gotten passports and how easy it was to get a passport, and he hoped to go to Canada and get a Canadian passport and then get to a Latin country which does not have an extradition treaty with the United States. At that time Brazil did not have an extradition treaty and RAY had read at least two stories about American criminals who had gone to Canada, gotten Canadian passports and then escaped to Brazil from which they could not be extradited to the United States. So this was his plan. to go to Canada and get a passport and get on a ship or something and get to a country which had no extradition treaty with the United States. So he travelled through Detroit and Windsor and Toronto and with the Expo bound crowd in August - no, late July of 1967, and when he got to Montreal he took an apartment. He took it for six months in Montreal and then he began working the Montreal waterfront and hoping that he would be able to get a passport and perhaps get a job on a ship.

DONALDSON - So then this brings us to the "Neptune Tavern".

HEWEY - Yes. One of the places - or the place where he spent a lot of time was the "Neptune Bar" on the riverfront in Montreal, I was there. He also visited that "Seaman's Club" which is within half a block of the "Neptune Tavern"

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and he knew that area very well in Montreal. Also, RAY has a remarkable mind as far as memory is concerned. He draws very accurate diagrams for me where he's forgotten an address or something, for instance, where he stayed in Montreal on Notre Dame Avenue, he drew me - he had forgotten the address but he drew me a diagram showing where the alley was and what was here and there and what was across the street and when I drove up there with a photographer and with a gentleman from Montreal, a private detective who was with me, it was almost funny it was so accurate, his diagram was so remarkably accurate. And not only this but he has drawn me at least 20 or 30 such diagrams, later travels, and he was in Montreal up until about August the 21st or 22nd. He made the trip up to "Gray Rocks Lodge"(ph) and was up there for about a week and he was in Ottawa and then he came back but he was to the United States, but he came back because of the deal he apparently made or he says he made with a man whom he calls "RAOUL" (ph).

DONALDSON - What did RAOUL offer him and what did RAOUL want him to do?

HEWEY - RAOUL wanted him first of all to come back to the United States which RAY did not want to do because he had about 17 unserved years hanging over him at the Missouri State Penitentiary, he had attempted to escape three times. So RAOUL wanted him to come back to the United States, he

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wanted him to make two trips across the Border for him between Windsor and Detroit, apparently carrying two packages of narcotics. The first trip was through the tunnel and the second trip was made over the bridge and on the second trip RAY noticed that the Customs people were very carefully searching every second or third car and so he decided that he should declare something, so he declared the purchase of a small television set which he had bought in Toronto - or Montreal. And that Customs payment slip is available.

DONALDSON - So that verifies that part of it.

HEWEY - It verifies that he came across the bridge at that particular moment - at that particular day. Also, according to this deal with his contact in Montreal he was to get rid of his shabby run-down red plymouth for which he had paid \$200 and then he was to come to Birmingham and the contact was going to meet him in Birmingham and buy him a suitable car.

DONALDSON - This was a different contact. This was not RAOUL.

HEWEY - According to RAY, it was RAOUL at Windsor and RAOUL who provided the money for the car at Birmingham and RAY did just that, he came on in to Chicago, got rid of his red car, came to Birmingham by train, and under the deal made in Montreal at the Neptune Tavern RAY was to establish himself in Birmingham and accumulate some identification in Birmingham. So according to - RAY then purchased

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the car, he got to Birmingham on August 26th., actually he was there one day earlier to --

DONALDSON - When you say the dealing here, are we talking about the assassination plot?

HEWEY - Yes, I'm talking about what finally resulted in the assassination of KING. Now apparently RAY did not know anything about the murder of Martin Luther KING, certainly not before March the 22nd., 1968. All RAY knew was that he had a deal with certain contacts for which he was paid money and ultimately he was to receive passport, full travel papers, assistance to go anywhere he wanted to go, plus \$12,000. The ultimate of this was to be the final pay-off when they were finished. RAY says that everytime he attempted to ask what the crime was to be, he was told well, you're not being paid to ask questions, we will take care of that. You're getting along all right, and so RAY then went back to California. Of course, in the second instalment in "LOOK" I revealed some of the things that he did there. He had started a great deal of that hypnotism and he visited a hypnotist in -- in -- who thought that hypnotism could help him understand himself better or improve his personality. Like many people in California, RAY went on a great self-improvement kick while he was in Los Angeles at that time. An analysis of RAY by the hypnotist which we published now, I think is the most revealing analysis of RAY that we've had anywhere.

DONALDSON - How large was the conspiracy and have you any theory why, why they wanted to kill Martin Luther KING.

HEWEY - From everything that I know and RAY's movements and other things that I have established I am convinced that the people behind the conspiracy wanted to use the death of Martin Luther KING to cause more racial trouble in the United States.

DONALDSON - These were criminals, or these were the people behind the criminals?

HEWEY - No, these were the people perhaps behind the criminals. They wanted KING to be killed, that is, to take - they wanted KING killed during the election year. You see we have had an awful lot of talk about crime on the streets and about gorilla warfare, I believe the Canadian Prime Minister TRUDEAU made a speech yesterday about that in which he predicted or warned that perhaps gorilla warfare in the United States might very well spill over into large Canadian cities, so I think that the people who planned Dr. KING's assassination did it coldly and with calculation to kill him at a moment - at a dramatic moment when he was in the news and to kill him for maximum effect meaning to cause a violent conflict between white and negroe people in the United States.

That did result in about one hundred, more than a hundred .

- HEWEY - Yes, there were riots and certainly it has --
- DONALDSON - But the fighting behind the riots was that a spontaneous reaction to KING's death?
- HEWEY - I would think that that was spontaneous but I think that the planners who planned to assassinate Dr. KING had certainly understood that that would be one of the results. In all political assassinations the victim is the secondary target. The real target you see is the society, so I think that it was - if it - I also am certain at this point that they did not plan to kill KING in Memphis. The Memphis conflict came up rather quickly, they had planned to murder KING in connection with the Poor Peoples' March.
- DONALDSON - When he got to Washington.
- HEWEY - Well, if not when he got to Washington, when he was recruiting and organizing the Poor Peoples' March in the South but perhaps not in Washington but while he was recruiting it because that was what the planners thought would project Dr. KING back into the news, was the Poor Peoples' March and as you'll see from what I will publish on November 12th., there were certain activities even involving RAY as far as the Poor Peoples' March was concerned. So as the conflict in Memphis came as a sort of dividend to the planners and the decision to murder Dr. KING in Memphis instead of in Birmingham or Atlanta or Selma or some

other place that KING was associated with. The decision to kill him in Memphis was a rather sudden decision.

DONALDSON - Mr. HEWEY you must have a picture in your mind of what these planners of the assassination are. What are they leftist, rightist, are they black, are they white?

HEWEY - I don't think that I can say positively at this moment but you should bear in mind, and I'm sure that everyone who thinks about it, realizes that by April 4th., 1968, there were several groups in the United States both black and white who had - who wanted to see violence, racial violence, in our streets. There are several groups still do - and certainly Dr. KING knew that, I saw him sometime before he was assassinated and I urged him at that time to be more careful and of course I observed from him what everybody else did - observed in him - and never did I see a man who was more certain of his own death - of his own approaching death and this I think was because he knew that there were several groups that felt that perhaps violence could come as a result of his death and there were several groups who wanted to see that violence, indeed who had invested interest in such violence.

DONALDSON - Purely the violence, they were not anxious just to kill KING.

HEWEY - I think that we will be able to establish, certainly James Earl RAY is not the type of racial assassin we

have seen in other cases. If you put the murderers of Mrs. LIUSO (ph), the murderers of the three in Ashobicani (ph), Mississippi, the Ku-Klux Klan murderers of Professor L. PENN in Georgia, the murderers of the negroe boy Enit TILL (ph), if you stood them all up and then you put James Earl RAY in with them, well RAY wouldn't fit.

DONALDSON - RAY is not a racist -

HEWEY - He's not the kind of man who would kill deliberately himself in the hope of preventing racial change. RAY may have disliked negroes, with his background it would be remarkable if he did not but certainly this was not his motivation, so I think that he and others were used and were paid by people who wanted to see great trouble in the United States in 1968.

DONALDSON - Do you think there was some kind of conspiracy?

LANG - Well, here again, I've had my say on the matter, and, the judge of course, his order covers that sort of thing. The Attorney General of the United States started proclaiming immediately after the slaying of Dr. KING that one man acted alone and I disagreed with him and to that extent, why I'll have to agree with what Mr. HEWEY has told you.

DONALDSON - Mr. HEWEY has a theory as to why Dr. KING was killed and that it was deliberately done to provoke all the rioting which subsequently followed.

- LANG - Well, at this time, I of course couldn't comment on what my thoughts and opinions are it might of course play a part in the trial, I don't know.
- DONALDSON - Well you did originally believe that more than one person --
- LANG - Well I stated at one time that in my judgment there were more people than one involved in the case, yes sir.
- DONALDSON - I gather that this may be quite a long trial, I understand the prosecution is drafting up hundreds of witnesses.
- LANG - Yes sir that's true, they have on their list between four and five hundred witnesses. Now whether they subpoena them all or if they subpoena them, whether they put them on the stand or not, I don't know, only the prosecution knows and it could perhaps stretch into a rather lengthy trial.
- DONALDSON - They have a large number from Canada too I believe.
- LANG - Yes sir, they have a long list, from Canada, from Mexico, from Portugal and England and of course they're working best in the United States
- DONALDSON - Basically the large number of witnesses from all over the place would tend to build up the idea in the public mind of a conspiracy rather than otherwise.

- LANG - Well, it may be and of course here again I'm merely speculating on the prosecution's idea behind this, maybe they want all these witnesses there to try to show that there wasn't, you see.
- HEWEY - Whether there's a connection between the assassination of John KENNEDY and the assassination of Martin Luther KING, this remains to be seen, however, I must have had at least fifty telephone calls, at least one or two of them from Canada incidentally, from people who called and sells assassination books who have read all the books and studied all the files including the voluminous Wine Commission Report, they have people in the United States particularly who make a career out of it now, at least a vocation out of it. So many of these people have called me telling me that they are positive that there is connections between the two. One man is meeting me in New York with photographs. RAY's description of the character he called RAOUL who he met in Montreal and the man who also had a telephone number in New Orleans, this same Latin figure who is perhaps redheaded and perhaps looks blonde if the sun is shining on him in one angle and is about 35 years old. This figure also appears in G.M. GARRISON's mythology.
- DONALDSON - G.M. GARRISON, the D.A. and --
- HEWEY - And the District Attorney in New Orleans who has worked so hard to prove that the assassination of John KENNEDY was a New Orleans based conspiracy. Now certainl

it appears from what I know now that the assassination of Martin Luther KING was largely Louisiana based. I think RAY was discovered in Montreal but certainly there must be a good deal of criminal contact between Montreal and New Orleans or these people who visit Montreal, some of them also visit New Orleans and so this remains to be seen but you know, in conspiracies where there are four or more people like - A, B, C and D - "D" frequently does not know the identity of "A" and "B" - he only knows "C" and in order to unravel the conspiracy you then have to get "C" and "C" certainly knows who "B" is and this is the way conspiracies have to be unravelled. This is why I think that it may be some time before we know everything about the assassination of Martin Luther KING.

DONALDSON - Do you think RAOUL is going to turn up eventually?

HEWEY - I think somebody very much like RAOUL will be arrested one of these days and before too long.

DONALDSON - In connection with the assassination?

HEWEY - In connection with the assassination of Martin Luther KING. I think certainly James Earl RAY knows the identity of at least one other man and perhaps two other men in the plot and I believe that before long the identities of those people, the public will become aware of them.

DONALDSON -- Tell me Mr. HEWEY, why did RAY decide to tell his

story to you.

HEWEY

- RAY, like many criminals, yearns for some form of recognition. His life has been a miserable one and so he yearns for recognition, moreover, in my view from all that he's written me - the many thousands of words he's written to me, I have the feeling that he wanted recognition as a criminal. Several times in his writing he told me for instance that he had to get the plastic surgery because he anticipated that at any moment the F.B.I. would put him on the top ten, meaning the ten most wanted criminals, and, for those of us who have studied RAY's record this seems rather strange because RAY isn't - before the murder of Dr. KING RAY had never seemed to qualify for the top ten in the criminal hierarchy and so - but yet he seemed to anticipate that he would be and almost you can feel that he wants to be on the top ten and certainly he's a man that as I've written, his rather impassive countenance lights up, he chuckles or something only when he's told about how he has left a false clue somewhere and the idea of F.B.I. agents or Canadian Mounted Police chasing down alleys on false leads is the only thing that he really chuckles about, you see, this fascinates him. So he thinks of life as himself against the police. That's the game that he plays and he wants to excel at it.

DONALDSON

- What does he think is going to happen to him now?

HEWEY - What do I think is going to happen to him now?

DONALDSON - What does he think - with possible electrocution after all?

HEWEY - Well I think its been written somewhere that every man has to believe in the fantasies that make life possible so I assume that RAY still has certain beliefs that, first - there are enough people in Tennessee, in Memphis, Tennessee, who approve of the death of Martin Luther KING, that he either might be freed or that there might be a mis-trial, so I would imagine that he believes this and other than that I think that he yearns for, you know, I just thought of it a long time ago that life is a constant effort to feel superior and this is even true of criminals and the little men who have spent many years of their lives behind bars, they still have that same yearning and so certainly other criminals have felt this and this may be part of the explanation of RAY. The hypnotist in California whom I talked to at great length, said that certainly RAY belonged to this type of human being, the type of human being who had you know, a terrible yearning to excel in some ways.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

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Re recent investigation to identify the apparent mythical character, "RAOUL", based on article in Look Magazine written by WILLIAM BRADFORD HUIE concerning subject's travels.

Of possible interest as to how the name RAOUL may have come to the mind of HUIE and/or RAY, there is attached a circular received by SA HENRY A. SNOW through the Alabama Historical Association in which the name RAOUL is mentioned. HUIE, having been a former student at the University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, would have undoubtedly been familiar with the subject matter of the circular.

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Enclosed is a copy of the results of investigation conducted by the Royal Canadian Mounted Police regarding Ray's activity while in Canada.

This is for your information only and should not be disseminated at this time.

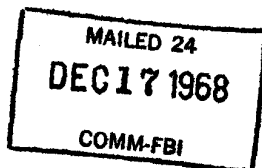
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NOTE:

We have been conducting investigation concerning the activities of James Earl Ray based upon articles written by William Bradford Huie for "Look" magazine. As part of our investigation, we have requested the Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP) to investigate several matters in Canada. The attached is results of the RCMP's continuing efforts, and we are transmitting this to Memphis and the Department, requesting Department's permission to disseminate the results to Mr. Canale, who is prosecuting the case in state court on March 3, 1969.

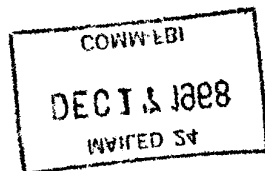
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**Martin Luther KING
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Assistance to F.B.I.**

1. With reference to the memorandum received from the Asst. Officer i/o C.I.B., Ottawa, Ontario dated 13 NOV 68, please be advised of the following.
2. Discreet enquiries made in the Windsor area with local contacts and with Department of Customs & Immigration officials with a view to determining if in fact RAY and/or the vehicle in question may have been noted in the area or made trips across the border to Detroit, met with negative results. Neither RAY nor the alleged vehicle were noted in this area.
3. In addition to the aforementioned checks a check of all traffic infractions occurring within the City Of Windsor was made through the Windsor City Police Department, Traffic Division, in the event this alleged vehicle was issued with any form of a traffic ticket; however, this enquiry also met with negative results.
4. In view of the fact that the Port of Windsor is one of the busiest Ports in Canada, with literally thousands of vehicles crossing the border per day, it is impossible to either confirm or refute the statements made by RAY. In view of this fact, and unless otherwise instructed, this file will be considered concluded at this detachment.

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Re Springfield airtel to the Bureau dated 11-29-68.

You should disseminate a copy of the enclosed LHM to referenced communication to Mr. Phil M. Canale, Jr., State Attorney General, Shelby County, Memphis, Tennessee.

This LHM is regarding the 1962 Plymouth purchased by Ray in East St. Louis, Illinois, on July 14, 1967.

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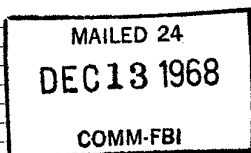
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In articles appearing in "Look" magazine written by William Bradford Huie mention was made of a 1962 Plymouth used by James Earl Ray in the U. S. and Canada after his escape from the Missouri State Penitentiary on April 13, 1967.

We have determined that this 1962 Plymouth was purchased in East St. Louis, Illinois, by Ray on July 14, 1967, and our Springfield Office transmitted an LHM containing the results of their investigation concerning the 1962 Plymouth.

We disseminated this LHM to the Department and by their memorandum of December 10, 1968, they have requested that this LHM from Springfield be disseminated to Mr. Canale. Memphis is being advised accordingly.

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Memorandum

TO : Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

DATE: December 10, 1968

FROM ^W: Fred M. Vinson, Jr.
Assistant Attorney General
Criminal Division

144-72-662

SUBJECT: Assassination of Martin Luther King, Jr.

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Reference is made to your memorandum dated December 6, 1968, captioned as above, with letterhead memorandum from Springfield, Illinois, dated November 29, 1968, attached.

Please furnish a copy of the attached memorandum to Mr. Phil M. Canale, Jr., State Attorney General, Shelby County, Memphis, Tennessee.

cc Assistant Attorney General
Civil Rights Division

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13 Enclosed you will find a copy of a letter received at the Bureau from Percy Foreman, attorney for James Earl Ray, and our reply to his letter.

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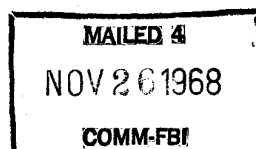
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FIVE NAUGHT SEVEN CHESTNUT, P. O. BOX TWO NINE THREE,
WINNETKA, ILLINOIS, FOR SIXTYTWO PLYMOUTH, FOUR DOOR SEDAN,
VIN TWO NINE TWO ONE ONE SIX FIVE NINE THREE FOUR, ILLINOIS
TITLE NUMBER B ONE SIX NAUGHT FOUR FIVE SIX THREE. "DRIVERS
PERMIT" ISSUED TO RAYNS NUMBERED D SEVEN FIVE FOUR FOUR
SIX FOUR.

LICENSE NUMBER LN FIVE NINE FOUR TWO PREVIOUSLY
ISSUED TO FIFTYNINE CHRYSLER TWO DOOR VIN M FIVE THREE
ONE ONE NAUGHT EIGHT TWO FOUR NAUGHT.

PLYMOUTH PURCHASED BUNDY OLDSMOBILE, SEVEN ONE ONE
ILLINOIS AVENUE EAST ST. LOUIS. ARTICLE INDICATES PLYMOUTH
SOLD IN CHICAGO DURING SIXTYSEVEN.

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INVESTIGATION CONTINUING TO DEVELOP TITLE HISTORY
TO DETERMINE DISPOSITION OF SIXTYTWO PLYMOUTH.

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Memorandum

TO : Director
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DATE: November 27, 1968

FROM : *EP* *WSP* Stephen J. Pollak
Assistant Attorney General
Civil Rights Division

SJP:DRO:ash
DJ 144-72-662
41-157-147

gm SUBJECT: Assassination of Martin Luther King, Jr.
(Murkin)

This responds to an inquiry from your Bureau.
We have no present plans to obtain a search warrant
or issue a subpoena in order to obtain the notes
and letters in the possession of William Bradford
Huie, allegedly received by him from James Earl
Ray through Attorney Arthur Hanes.

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