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NUMBER TWELVE, ONE NINE SIX EIGHT ISSUE OF "LOOK"
MAGAZINE, PAGE ONE TWO CONTAINS NUMBER WITH A PHOTOGRAPH
OF RAY. RAY WAS GIVEN A NEW ORLEANS PHOTO NUMBER
BY RAY WHICH IS THAT DAVE LARSEN, LOS ANGELES TIMES, PREVIOUSLY
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1 - Mr. Long

To: Legat, Ottawa (44-4)

From: Director, FBI (44-38861)

MURKIN

Information has come to the Bureau's attention that James Earl Ray claims to have committed an armed robbery of a food store in Montreal during his visit in 1967, and robbed another food store in Montreal after the King assassination.

It is noted that it has been established that Ray was in Montreal, Canada, from July 17, 1967, through approximately August 17, 1967. It is also noted that according to the Bureau's information, Ray arrived in Toronto, Canada, on April 8, 1968, and departed Toronto, Canada, en route to London on May 6, 1968. His daily whereabouts from April 8, 1968, to May 6, 1968, has not been fully established.

Legat, Ottawa should provide this information to the Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP) and determine if any unsolved armed robberies of food stores exist during these pertinent periods in which Ray could be the subject.

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1 - Foreign Liaison (Cleared through SA Graham Day)

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NOTE:

William Bradford Huie, author, who has been writing series of articles concerning the life of James Earl Ray which appeared in "Look" magazine, was interviewed by Mr. Phil M. Canale, Jr., State Attorney General, Shelby County, Memphis, Tennessee. It was learned during this interview that Huie claims that Ray admitted to Huie he committed an armed robbery of a food store in Montreal during a visit in 1967, and Ray told Huie that he robbed another food store in Montreal after the King assassination and prior to his flight to London.

We are instructing Legat to provide the information to the RCMP and determine if such robberies were possibly committed by Ray.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 2/10/69

FROM : SAC, SAN DIEGO (44-387)

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Complaint
Mrs. ELIA VA MARTIN, 288 Club Lane, Cavalier Trailer Park, Oceanside, California, telephonically contacted the Oceanside Resident Agency on 2/4/69, stating she wished to furnish some information in the strictest confidence. Mrs. MARTIN advised she knew that JAMES EARL RAY had been on a boat that went to Catalina Island on March 20, 1967, as she had seen his picture in LIFE Magazine and recognized it as a man she had seen on the boat.

Mrs. MARTIN was contacted in person 2/7/69 at which time she related that in March, 1967, she, her son, and a sister-in-law, MARY LOU JONES, 918 Bell Avenue, Corona, California, had traveled from San Pedro to Catalina Island on the steamship which is advertised as the "Great White Steamship to Catalina." As best she could recall, the date was 3/20/67, which was over a year before KING was killed.

On the way to Catalina Island, she noticed a man wearing a brown suit that looked as if he had slept in it, a bow tie (dark in color), and a brown hat and white shirt. He was tanned as if he had been in the sun. *DA*

On the way back from the Catalina Island, she was sitting on the second deck and observed this same man walking and weaving and appearing drunk. Several of the people in the area where she was sitting remarked about the man and a young girl remarked that an officer on the ship had told the girl that the man did not get off the ship at Catalina.

During the return voyage, a band was playing and there was dancing. This man approached Mrs. MARTIN and remarked that the two of them could possibly show the

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youngsters how to dance the dances. Mrs. MARTIN declined and looked into his eyes which were a cold blue and noticed that the pupils were not dilated and that he was not drunk. At the time, she wondered why he would be acting drunk if he were not.

After the ship docked back at San Pedro, Mrs. MARTIN noticed the man get into a white 1966 Mustang with a black interior and a black strip on the door. She recalled his car as she had looked at that type before she herself purchased another style of a 1966 Mustang.

When she read the Life Magazine article regarding RAY in 1968, Mrs. MARTIN realized that the man she had seen on the boat over a year before was RAY, and she realized that he had been in possession of a white 1966 Mustang prior to the time the newspapers and magazines stated he did.

Mrs. MARTIN explained she has had medical problems since 1965 and was taking codene at the time of the boat trip; however, this did not impair her memory of the events. After the trip, she was in the hospital for approximately six months and still takes pain medication to date. She stated she did not "want to get involved" and that is why she never made mention of this matter before now. Mrs. MARTIN advised she is employed by the Pacific Telephone Company in Oceanside, and has recently moved to Oceanside for health reasons.

Mrs. MARTIN stated she is certain the man she observed on the steamship in March, 1967, was RAY as she has seen the photographs of him in the news. The only reason she wanted to mention this matter to the FBI was that she wanted to get the information to the FBI that RAY went to Catalina and had a white Mustang in 1967 in the Los Angeles area. She could furnish no further information in this matter.

The above information is furnished for information purposes to the Bureau and office of origin. No further contact is contemplated with Mrs. MARTIN at San Diego.

February 7, 1969

GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION

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

The attached is the results of an interview of William Bradford Huie, author, conducted by Mr. Phil Canale, State Attorney General, Shelby County, who is prosecuting the case in state court. Huie is to appear before a Shelby County Grand Jury at Memphis today.

The attached also states that five petitions filed on behalf of Ray are to be argued before Judge Battle today. The petitions include authority to take depositions out of state (SAC Frank Hitt, Atlanta and Fingerprint examiner George Bonebrake listed), permission for Huie to confer with Ray, and permission to take photographs of Ray.

This is being closely followed.
The investigation suggested by Memphis is being ordered.

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

Enclosed for the Bureau are two copies each of five petitions which are to be argued 2/7/69 before Judge W. PRESTON BATTLE regarding instant matter.

On 2/5/69 State Attorney General PHIL CANALE, Shelby County, Tenn., advised that on 2/4/69 he and members of his staff conferred with WILLIAM BRADFORD HUIE in HUIE's hotel room at Memphis, Tenn. HUIE is to be served with a subpoena and is to appear before a Shelby County Grand Jury at Memphis on 2/7/69.

HUIE advised Mr. CANALE that he has no interest in JAMES EARL RAY whatsoever except as a businessman and as a citizen desirous of uncovering and exposing any possible co-conspirators. He said he desires to confer with RAY in hopes of having RAY plead guilty and then testifying against his co-conspirators as a witness for the prosecution. Mr. CANALE said that HUIE gives the impression that he is firmly convinced of RAY's guilt as the murderer of MARTIN LUTHER KING; however, HUIE seems to be genuinely persuaded that others were involved with RAY. Mr. CANALE noted that HUIE readily admits that he has no real evidence of a conspiracy and HUIE admits that he has caught RAY in a number of falsehoods. HUIE is convinced that RAY's story of going over the wall in his escape from the Missouri State Penitentiary is not true and RAY has admitted that the story he told HUIE about the armed robbery of a house of prostitution in Montreal is also a lie. RAY now admits that he committed an armed robbery of a food store in

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-157341)
SUBJECT: MURDER OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
RE: NEW YORK TELETYPE TO BUREAU, FEBRUARY 6, 1969.
ENCLOSED FOR THE BUREAU ARE TWO COPIES OF A LETTER
HEADSET BY NEW YORK ON FEBRUARY 6, 1969, AND TWO
COPIES OF A LETTER HEADSET BY NEW YORK ON FEBRUARY 7, 1969.
THE LETTER HEADSET BY NEW YORK ON FEBRUARY 6, 1969,
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Montreal during a visit there in 1967, and he has told HUIE that he robbed another food store in Montreal after the murder and during his flight from Memphis to England. HUIE furnished no additional details and it is presumed that RAY furnished him no additional details regarding these robberies. HUIE advised Mr. CANALE that RAY came to Memphis on 4/3/68, stayed in a motel at Memphis that night, and on 4/4/68 purchased binoculars from a local store. HUIE admits that RAY rented a room in a rooming house and then brought the rifle which was later recovered to the rooming house. He said RAY claims to have been sitting in a white Mustang outside the rooming house when the fatal shot was fired. RAY has told HUIE that an unnamed individual ran out of the rooming house, jumped into the rear seat of the Mustang, pulled a sheet over his head, and RAY then fled the scene in the Mustang. HUIE admitted that RAY has told more than one story concerning the reason he rented the room in the rooming house, but HUIE leaves no doubt that he believes RAY pulled the trigger on the murder weapon.

HUIE stated that following the murder RAY drove to Birmingham, talked with an unnamed individual in Birmingham that same night, and then drove to Atlanta. From Atlanta he went to Gary, Indiana, where he met his brother, JERRY RAY. The subject then went to Toronto and from Toronto to Montreal where he stayed for about nine days prior to leaving for London.

HUIE volunteered the information that RAY had gone to Acapulco, Mexico, prior to the murder and while in Acapulco had made a call to unnamed person or persons at Corpus Christi, Texas. According to HUIE, Mexican police had later come to the hotel and had examined his registration card. HUIE also mentioned that the green bedspread abandoned with the rifle in Memphis had come from some place in California.

HUIE characterized RAY as an individual who is starved for public recognition. He said that RAY and his brothers are most disappointed that the public has not rallied to the subject's support. He said they and the subject had been convinced that GEORGE WALLACE would be successful in his bid for the presidency and they were much disappointed in the outcome of the national election.

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While HUIE has furnished no positive information which would indicate a conspiracy, it is suggested that the Bureau request the Legat, Mexico, to conduct investigation in Acapulco in an effort to identify any telephone calls the subject might have made from there. It is also suggested that Legat, Canada, contact Montreal police to determine if they can identify the food store robberies in which subject was involved.

The Bureau will be promptly advised as to whether or not motions being made by the defense are granted.

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AIRTEL

1 - Mr. Long

To: Legat, Mexico City (173-1)

From: Director, FBI (44-38861) — 5546

MURKIN

Information has come to the Bureau's attention that James Earl Ray, while in Acapulco, Mexico, allegedly made a telephone call to Corpus Christi, Texas. It was also alleged that the Mexican police came to the hotel and had examined his registration card.

It is noted that investigation conducted by you established that Ray entered Mexico on October 7, 1967, at Nuevo Laredo and registered in Hotel San Francisco, Acapulco on October 10, 1967, as Eric S. Galt. According to the hotel manager, they were unable to locate the registration card on Ray and, therefore, a limited amount of information was obtained.

Legat, Mexico should contact the appropriate authorities to determine if such a telephone call was made and if the Mexican police examined the register.

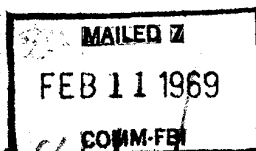
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NOTE:

William Bradford Huie, author, who has been writing series of articles concerning the life of James Earl Ray which appeared in "Look" magazine, was interviewed by Mr. Phil M. Canale, Jr., State Attorney General, Shelby County, Memphis, Tennessee. It was learned during this interview that Huie claims that Ray told him he made a telephone call in Acapulco, Mexico, to Corpus Christi, Texas. According to Huie, Ray also stated that the Mexican police came to the hotel and examined his registration card.

We previously knew that Ray registered at the Hotel San Francisco in Acapulco, however, they could only provide us limited information as the registration records were destroyed. We are requesting Legat Mexico, through proper authorities, to conduct the appropriate investigation.

February 8, 1969
GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION

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

Attached relates to the arrest of William Bradford Huie on orders of Judge Preston W. Battle, Shelby County, Memphis, Tennessee. Huie has written articles for "Look" magazine regarding James Earl Ray and the assassination of Martin Luther King, Jr.

The petitions refer to those filed on behalf of Ray concerning taking of depositions out of the state, request of Huie to confer with Ray and request to take photographs of Ray.

You will be kept advised of pertinent developments.

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FROM MEMPHIS (44-1987)

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WILLIAM BRADFORD HUIE, NATIONALLY KNOWN AUTHOR WHO HAS
WRITTEN ARTICLES FOR "LOOK" MAGAZINE CONCERNING JAMES EARL
RAY, THE MURDERER OF DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.,
APPEARED BEFORE SHELBY COUNTY, TENNESSEE, GRAND JURY
FEBUARY SEVEN INSTANT AT MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE. FOLLOWING HIS
APPEARANCE BEFORE GRAND JURY, HUIE WAS ARRESTED FOR CONTEMPT
OF COURT. THIS CONTEMPT CAME AS A RESULT OF ARTICLES
PUBLISHED BY HIM CONCERNING THE KING MURDER WHICH PUBLICATION
WAS IN DIRECT VIOLATION OF A NO PUBLICITY ORDER WHICH HAD
PREVIOUSLY BEEN ISSUED BY THE TRIAL JUDGE IN WHOSE COURT RAY WILL
BE TRIED. HUIE POSTED ONE THOUSAND DOLLAR BOND AND WAS RELEASED.
UNDER TENNESSEE LAW, CONTEMPT IS A MISDEMEANOR AND CARRIES A
MAXIMUM FINE OF FIFTY DOLLARS AND TEN DAYS IN JAIL.

RESULTS OF MOTIONS ARGUED FEBRUARY SEVEN INSTANT IN RAY CASE
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
FROM: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987) (P)
SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Louisville airtel, 2/5/69.

This is to advise that Memphis indices contain
nothing concerning JAMES R. CORTEZ mentioned in reairtel.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
FROM: SAC, NEW ORLEANS (157-10673)
SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Los Angeles teletype 2/5/69; and New Orleans teletype 2/6/69.

Lt. Col. BEN F. RAGUSA, Assistant Superintendent, Louisiana State Police, advised 2/7/69, that Trooper RAUL VICTOR ESQUIVEL had regular days off on 8/4, 10, 24, 27 & 31/67. Further, ESQUIVEL was off 8/6 & 7/67 due to a death in the family.

RAGUSA also stated the records show ESQUIVEL worked an eight-hour shift on 3/22/68. E

In view of the foregoing, New Orleans is taking no further action in this matter UACB.

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MEMORANDUM

TO : SAC, NEW YORK

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

SUBJECT: [REDACTED] (100-100000) (P)

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM : SAC, NEW ORLEANS (157-10673) (P)
SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Los Angeles teletype, 2/5/69; and New Orleans teletype, 2/6/69.

Lt. Colonel BEN F. RAGUSA, Assistant Superintendent, Louisiana State Police (LSP), Baton Rouge, Louisiana, advised that Trooper 1st Class RAUL VICTOR ESQUIVEL is assigned to LSP Troop B at New Orleans, Louisiana. He advised that in August of 1967 Trooper ESQUIVEL was at that time also assigned to Troop B at New Orleans. He advised that Trooper ESQUIVEL worked as follows during the month of August, 1967:

August 1, 2, and 3: on duty: 7:00 AM - 3:00 p.m. *E*

August 4: day off

August 5: on duty; 7:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

August 6 and 7: off duty due to a death in his family

August 8 and 9: on duty; 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

August 10: off duty

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August 11, through 23: on duty; 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

August 24: off duty

August 25 and 26: on duty; 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

August 27: off duty

August 28, 29, and 30: on duty; 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

August 31: off duty

RAGUSA advised that during August, 1967, Trooper ESQUIVEL was assigned to duties in different areas of the Troop B LSP area as he was filling in for other troopers on their days off. He advised that during August, 1967, Trooper ESQUIVEL worked in the New Orleans area.

RAGUSA advised that on March 22, 1968, Trooper ESQUIVEL worked an eight-hour shift on that date.

In view of the above work schedule for Trooper ESQUIVEL no further action is being taken in this matter at New Orleans UACB, and ESQUIVEL will not be interviewed.

February 12, 1969
GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION

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

As a result of articles appearing in various newspapers and from information supplied to us, we have been conducting investigation to determine if any possible conspiracy exists. We have transmitted the results of the investigation to the Civil Rights Division of the Department and we have requested permission to disseminate the results to Mr. Phil M. Canale, Jr., State Attorney General, Shelby County, Memphis, Tennessee, who is prosecuting the state case.

The attached is permission to furnish copies of reports to Mr. Canale. This is being done.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

DATE:

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FROM : Jerris Leonard
Assistant Attorney General
Civil Rights Division

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DJ 144-72-662
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SUBJECT: Assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

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Attached is a list of reports and letterhead memoranda that you have transmitted to this Division in connection with the James Earl Ray case. Please furnish copies of each of the following reports to Mr. Phil M. Canale, Jr., State Attorney General, Shelby County, Tennessee.

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Royal Canadian Mounted Police report dated 12/11/68

Washington, D. C., letterhead memorandum dated 12/31/68

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Philadelphia letterhead memorandum dated 1/23/69

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NOTE:

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

Based upon articles appearing in various newspapers in the United States and based upon information furnished to us, we have been conducting investigation to determine if a conspiracy exists in this case. We have received the results of investigation requested by us and have furnished the results to the Department, and in each instance asked the Department if they desired these reports furnished to Mr. Phil M. Canale, Jr., State Attorney General, Shelby County, Memphis, Tennessee, who is prosecuting the state's case. Our investigation thus far does not include any facts that would support the allegation that a conspiracy exists.

The Department by memorandum requests the listed reports be furnished Mr. Canale, and Memphis being instructed accordingly.

See attached memorandum from the Department captioned, "Assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr."

The Philadelphia letterhead memorandum dated 1-23-69, was classified confidential. In view of this, this matter was discussed with Mr. D. Robert Owen of the Department and he stated that in light of this, the information in this letterhead memorandum should be furnished to Mr. Canale orally.



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
December 31, 1968

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This same source advised that on November 11, 1968, Mrs. ROSARIO DEL CASTILLO, owner of Hotel San Francisco, stated that she had been in contact with the accountant for the hotel in an effort to locate the actual registration card for GALT. This card, she said, would list the guest's home address and the description of his automobile and would also bear his signature. She said the accountant was unable to locate the card and that it was believed to have been destroyed. Mrs. DEL CASTILLO also stated that she had spoken with several of the hotel employees and that none of them were able to recognize photographs of JAMES EARL RAY. She also made available her copy for October 10, 1967, of a report made daily to the Mexican Government, which lists subject's arrival on that date.

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AT GUADALAJARA, JALISCO

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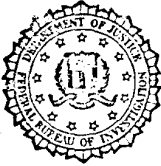
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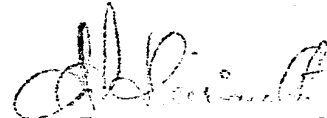
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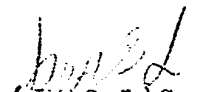
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2. Attempts to contact J.M. CHARRON at the Neptune Tavern have met with negative results. It was learned from the co-owner of the Neptune Tavern, Mr. E. GAUDET, that CHARRON is presently vacationing in Puerto Rico and is not due to return to Canada before mid-January 1969.

3. Mr. GAUDET was shown the composite drawing of MAOUL and questioned as to whether or not he could identify it. GAUDET examined the picture closely; however, no identification was made. GAUDET furthered that he cannot remember anyone who even closely resembled it.

4. In view of the contents of paragraph 2 of this report, may the diary date in this case be extended to read as shown hereunder.

B.D. 16-1-69

(JID PROULA) S/SGT.
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RE:
OBJET:

Martin Luther KING -
Murder of:
- Assistance to F.B.I. -

1. Further to correspondence dated 3 DEC 68 from the A/Officer i/c C.I.S. HQ, Ottawa, please be advised of the following.

11 DEC 68

2. Attempts to contact J.N. CHARRON at the Neptune Tavern have met with negative results. It was learned from the co-owner of the Neptune Tavern, Mr. E. CAUDET, that CHARRON is presently vacationing in Puerto Rico and is not due to return to Canada before mid-January 1969.

3. Mr. CAUDET was shown the composite drawing of MAOUL and questioned as to whether or not he could identify it. CAUDET examined the picture closely; however, no identification was made. CAUDET furthered that he cannot remember anyone who even closely resembled it.

4. In view of the contents of paragraph 2 of this report, may the diary date in this case be extended to read as shown hereunder.

B.B. 16-1-69

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