

Memorandum to Mr. DeLoach
RE: MURKIN

engaged in conversation with another patron and mentioned his military specialty. Two days later he met the same man again in the bar and this man said that since Smith had been in the Air Force he should have contacts for obtaining munitions and explosives. He then requested Smith to get 50 hand grenades and laid \$5,000 in cash on the table saying, "This is yours if you get me the grenades." The man then told Smith that he and four others in Memphis had vowed that one of them would kill Martin Luther King, Jr., in one way or another and this was why they wanted the hand grenades. Smith asked the man if he was a member of the Ku Klux Klan and he replied that he was not. Smith declined to provide hand grenades and was told, "If you can't get them for me, you had better forget it." Smith has had no further contact with this man and does not know his identity. He described him as forty-five years of age, 5' 7" tall, 220 pounds, gray hair, and driving a new Corvette automobile.

After being interviewed Smith alleged that he had been fired from his job because he had furnished information. C. E. Weaver, general manager of the Western Auto store was contacted and said he had not fired Smith but had told him to go home because he was drinking on the job. He also said that Smith had failed to appear at a scheduled meeting of employees at 6:30 a. m., 4/11/68 and he had determined that Smith had been drunk the evening before and had overslept. Weaver considers Smith to be deceitful, unreliable, probably a heavy drinker and Weaver has been considering firing Smith.

Records of the penitentiary at Leavenworth show that Ray was approved for the honor farm in 1957 but was never so assigned as he did not feel he could live in the honor farm dormitory because it was integrated.

John Larry Ray, subject's brother, has been located in St. Louis where he operates a bar. John claims he has seen the subject only twice in twenty years, the last occasion being three years ago at Missouri State Penitentiary. John Ray expressed wonder that Ray is being hunted by the FBI since all he has done is "Kill a nigger" and there would be no interest in Ray if King had been white. John Ray said the subject would have no reason to contact him and would not be able to locate him anyway.

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RE: MURKIN

Radio station KNEW, San Francisco, has a recording of a "talk show" that occurred between 9 p. m. and 10 p. m., 4/13/68. An unidentified caller alleged Adam Clayton Powell offered \$20,000 to kill King and stated, "I am a Negro myself and I belong to a militant group. Well, if you turn around and check to find out why he offered \$20,000 on Reverend King's death to four men in a UCLA building. I was there, one of twenty-six men at that party. They had a big fight between the two of them. It was never put in the paper. You have the FBI investigate and find out why the man was offered \$20,000 and a hideout in Bimini. That is why I left Los Angeles, to come up here, because I have heard your program and explain everything to you so you can turn it over to the FBI and let them figure it out."

The caller also said the meeting had been in a white house and when the announcer asked for his name so he could be contacted by the FBI, the caller stated, "Well, I don't want them to contact me because my life ain't worth two cents, on account of the man that hit (censored, censored) it might trip away from him. That is all I am going to say. Thank you." Los Angeles is contacting racial sources for any information as to such a meeting and the statements actually made by Powell.

ACTION:

Every possible means of locating Ray is being vigorously pursued.

1 - Mr. McGowan, 2712
~~1 - Mr. Conrad~~
1 - Mr. Griffith
1 - Mr. Mortimer
4/23/68

PLAIN TEXT

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URGENT

TO SAC SAN ANTONIO (44-1242)
FROM DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

MURKIN.

RESAAIRTEL APRIL NINETEEN LAST SUBMITTING
REGISTRATION CARD OF THE TREK MOTEL, AUSTIN, TEXAS, FOR ONE
BP FOUR DONALD D. TANNER CONSIDERED A LOOK-ALIKE FOR
SUBJECT RAY.

DIFFERENCES NOTED INDICATE THE REGISTRATION CARD
WAS NOT EXECUTED BY JAMES EARL RAY, THE SUBJECT IN THIS CASE;
HOWEVER, DIFFERENT STYLES OF HANDWRITING PRECLUDE A
DEFINITE OPINION.

LATENT RESULTS FURNISHED SEPARATELY. COPY BEING
SENT AIRMAIL TO MEMPHIS.

1 - Memphis (44-1987) - Airmail

NOTE FOR MEMPHIS: No Laboratory report will be submitted regarding
the results of the examination set out above.

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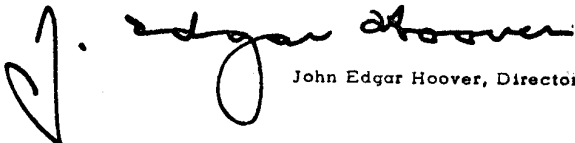
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

- 1 - Mr. Rosen
- 1 - Mr. Long, Rm. 2260
- ~~1 - Mr. Conrad~~
- 1 - Mr. Trotter
- Att: Mr. Bonebrake
- 1 - Mr. Griffith
- ATT: Mr. Mortimer
- 1 - Lab Files
- 1 - Mr. Clark
- 1 - Office 7133

To: **FBI, Atlanta (44-2386)**

Date: **April 23, 1968**

Re: **MURKIN**


John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No. **44-38861**
Lab. No. **PC-A5744 IZ GH**
PC-A5764 IZ BX
D-561140 JK

Examination requested by: **Atlanta**

Reference: **Airtel 4/17/68 and Letter 4/17/68**

Examination requested: **Microscopic - Toolmarks - Miscellaneous -
Spectrographic - Document - Fingerprint**

Remarks:

This report confirms Butel to Atlanta and Memphis dated 4/19/68.

You are being advised separately concerning the fingerprint examinations.

All the submitted evidence is being temporarily retained in the Laboratory.

Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)
2 - Memphis (44-1987) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

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WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: FBI, Atlanta

Date: April 23, 1968

FBI File No. 44-38861

Re: MURKIN

Lab. No. PC-A5744 IZ GH
PC-A5764 IZ BX
D-561140 JK

Specimens received 4/18/68 (PC-A5744 IZ GH)

Q229-Q232 Four coat hangers
Q233-Q234 Two cardboard inserts for coat hangers
Q235 Handkerchief
Q236-Q237 Pair of socks

Specimens received 4/18/68 (PC-A5764 IZ BX; D-561140 JK)

ITEMS FROM ROOM 2, 113 14TH STREET, NORTHEAST, ATLANTA, GEORGIA

Q240 Large key blank
Q241 Small key blank
Q242 Piece of black thread
Q243 Piece of brown thread with needle
Q244 Metal strip, $\frac{1}{2}$ " by 2"
Q245 Business card for "HANEY'S SHEET METAL"

Results of examination:

Specimen Q243 is an 11" piece of brown cotton sewing thread which is threaded through a needle. The Q243 thread is like the thread used to repair the previously submitted Q69 undershorts in all observable characteristics and could be from the same source.

Specimen Q242 is a piece of black cotton sewing thread which measures 3 $\frac{3}{8}$ " in length. Specimen Q242 could not be associated with any previously submitted item.

The Q240 and Q241 key blanks are flat steel blanks of the type used to make keys for lever tumbler locks such as are used on some cabinets and desks. Q240 is uncut. Q241 has two square notches cut in one side and the tip of the blank has been filed slightly. The presence of smoke residue in one of the notches and what appears to be heat discoloration on the blank suggests an attempt may have been made to fit this key to a lock by the "impression" method. The "impression" fitting method is used by locksmiths to make a key for a lock for which no key is available.

Q244 appears to be a gage for checking to determine whether the proper angle has been cut in a key blank or other object. One end of Q244 has been formed into a "V" shape having an angle of approximately 100 degrees which corresponds to the angle of cuts formed in key blanks by some key machine milling cutters. Q240, Q241 and Q244 are consistent with the type of materials furnished students taking correspondence locksmithing courses.

Although some differences were noted between the questioned writings on the Q245 business card and the writings received in this matter which have been attributed to Eric S. Galt, the limited nature of the questioned material and the lack of comparable writings precluded a definite opinion as to whether Galt prepared this questioned writing.

Specimens Q236 and Q237 constitute a pair of men's soiled stretch socks. The socks are white with a blue and red diamond design on each side. No labels or visible or invisible laundry marks were found on Q236 and Q237. Several brown limb hairs of Caucasian origin were found on Q236 and Q237. These hairs possess too few individual microscopic characteristics to be of value for association with a particular person.

No fibers were found on Q235, Q236 or Q237 that could be associated with the Q13 bedspread or other previously submitted cloth items.

The coat hanger designated as Q229 bears advertising for the "HAI PING Laundry & Cleaners 1162 Peachtree St, N.E., Atlanta 9, Ga." No markings were noted on the other coat hangers.

The cardboard coat hanger insert designated Q233 bears the following: "L. M. Leathers' Sons Paper Division P.O. Box 1198, Athens, Georgia" No markings were noted on the other insert.

Specimen Q235 is a man's white cotton handkerchief that has been used to apply shoe polish. No label or visible or invisible laundry marks were found on Q235. No hairs were found on Q235

The brown stain on the Q235 handkerchief is similar in color and composition to the brown polish of Q41 and could have come from a source such as represented by the brown "KIWI" polish of specimen Q41.

1 - Mr. Shroder
1 - Mr. McGowan
1 - Mr. Bunker
1 - Mr. Thompson

1 - Mr. Gale
1 - Mr. Trotter
~~1 - Mr. Conrad~~

4/23/68

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RADIOGRAM

URGENT

(IF NEXT CONTACT MISSED, SEND VIA
PLAINTEXT TELETYPE)

TO ALL FIELD OFFICES

FROM DIRECTOR FBI (44-38861)

MURKIN

REMEMAIRTEL TO ALL OFFICES APRIL ONE NINE LAST FURNISHING
BACKGROUND DATA CONCERNING JAMES EARL RAY.

SUBJECT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED POSSIBLE SUSPECT IN ANY
UNSOLVED BANK ROBBERIES, BURGLARIES OR ARMED ROBBERIES
(POSSIBLE ITSP VIOLATIONS) OCCURRING AFTER APRIL TWO THREE
ONE NINE SIX SEVEN. RAY SHOULD ALSO BE CONSIDERED SUSPECT IN
ANY FUTURE SUCH VIOLATIONS AND BUREAU ADVISED TELEPHONICALLY
OF ANY TENTATIVE IDENTIFICATION.

ANY PERTINENT LEADS DEVELOPED DURING REVIEW OF PAST
VIOLATIONS SHOULD BE EXPEDITIOUSLY RUN OUT AND BUREAU ADVISED.

SUBJECT'S HANDWRITING AND HAND PRINTING NOT IDENTIFIED
IN BANK ROBBERY NOTE FILE AND HIS FINGERPRINTS ARE BEING
SEARCHED AGAINST LATENTS SUBMITTED IN UNSOLVED BANK ROBBERY AND
BURGLARY VIOLATIONS.

SUBJECT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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(Mr. Long 2260)
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: **FBI, Memphis (44-1987)**

Date: **April 23, 1968**

Re: **MURKIN**
CR
JG: Memphis

J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No. **44-38861**
Lab. No. **D-560880 JK**
PC-A5688 IZ

Examination requested by: **Atlanta**

Reference: **Letter 4/15/68**

Examination requested: **Document - Fingerprint -
Hair & Fiber**

Remarks:

The results of the latent fingerprint examination of the items described in the attached report will be furnished separately.

This report confirms and supplements Bureau teletype to Memphis, Birmingham, Atlanta and Los Angeles dated 4/16/68 and Bureau airtel dated 4/16/68, which furnished photographs of pertinent portions of the maps to Atlanta, Memphis and Los Angeles.

Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

2 - Atlanta (44-2386) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

2 - Los Angeles (44-1574) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

1 - Birmingham (44-1740) Enclosure (Lab report)

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Re: **MURKIN
CR**

FBI File No. **44-38861**
Lab. No. **D-560880 JK
PC-A5688 IZ**

Specimens received **4/16/68**

- Q174 Booklet entitled "What is the John Birch Society"
- Q175 Gulf Oil Company map of Atlanta
- Q176 "Arrow" map of Greater Atlanta
- Q177 Box of Nabisco Saltine Crackers
- Q178 Jar of French's Mustard
- Q179 Coffee cup
- Q180 Water glass
- Q181 Small can of Carnation Evaporated Milk
- Q182 Jar of Maxwell House Instant Coffee
- Q183 Box of "C & H" Sugar
- Q184 One knife (Forgcraft)
- Q185 One National's Citation pencil
- Q186 Wire electric cup heater
- Q187 One portable Zenith television model #N 2205-6
- Q188 Jar of Kraft's Catalina French Dressing
- Q189 Package of Golden Grain California Lima Beans
- Q190 Can of "Iris" ground black pepper
- Q191 Box of five National's Citation pencils
- Q192 Gulf map of Southeastern USA
- Q193 Shell map of Texas and Oklahoma
- Q194 Map of Mexico
- Q195 Map of Los Angeles published by Mitock & Sons
- Q196 Map of Los Angeles (Atlantic Richfield Co.)
- Q197 Shell map of Louisiana
- Q198 Map of California
- Q199 Enco map of Arizona and New Mexico
- Q200 Standard Oil map of Birmingham and vicinity
- Q201 Tie (Brown with brown, blue and silver diagonal stripes)
- Q202 Pair of grey trousers
- Q203 Booklet entitled "Your Opportunities in Locksmithing"

Result of examination:

Examination of Q176 ("Arrow" map of Atlanta) revealed the following markings: In area number 17, ink lines were noted on Daniel Street between Arbor Avenue and Boulevard Drive; in area number 03 an ink circle approximately 3/8 inch in diameter the center of which would be approximately on Auburn Avenue at Courtland; in area number 14, two ink circles which are approximately concentric with diameters of about 1/4 inch and 1/2 inch. The centers of these two circles lie approximately at the intersection of Simpson Road and Paines; in area number 09 an ink circle approximately 1/2 inch in diameter and the numeral 10 were noted. The center of this circle lies approximately on 14th Street between Crescent Avenue and Peachtree Road; in area number 06 an ink circle approximately 3/8 inch in diameter appears. The center of this circle is approximately at the meeting place of Highland View and Ponce de Leon Terrace.

The notations set out below were observed on Q196 ("Atlantic Richfield Co." street map of Los Angeles.") On the top of that side of this map which contains the alphabetical street listings a small pencil circle was noted in the "Van Nuys District" at the intersection of Buffalo Avenue and Oxnard Street.

On the large map on the other side of this map the following markings were noted in the Beverly Hills area. Two vertical lines in ink at the east end of the park which is located at Olympic Boulevard and Heath Avenue; vertical lines in ink at San Vicente Boulevard and Masselin Avenue; an ink line running between the two vertical lines previously mentioned generally following Pico Boulevard and Packard Street; an ink line extending from the vertical lines at the park along Olympic Boulevard to Alfred Street.

An ink line at the intersection of Beverly Glen Boulevard and Woodruff; an ink line at the intersection of Beverly Glen Boulevard and Warnall Avenue.

Also noted was an ink marking at Sunset Boulevard and Palm Drive.

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Ink parentheses were noted around the words "Somma Way" and "Rocca Pl" which are located in Stone Canyon.

The pair of trousers, specimen Q202, is old and soiled. The lining and pockets are yellowed, the two front pockets have holes in them and the edge of the left front pocket is threadbare. The trousers have a "NEEDLECRAFT" label. The waist is 34 1/2 inches and the inseam is 26 inches. A name handwritten in black on the right rear pocket is probably a cleaners mark. This name appears to be "Z SOLOFF;" however, the last two letters are not clear. No invisible cleaners marks were found on Q202.

Several brown to dark brown head hairs of Caucasian origin were found on the trousers and in the pocket debris. These hairs are different from the hairs from the Mustang and Memphis scene. It was concluded that they did not originate from the same source. No hairs were found on the Q201 necktie.

No fibers were found on the Q202 trousers or on the Q201 necktie that could be associated with cloth items previously submitted in this case.

No marks or labels were found on the Q201 necktie.

Examination of the other items described above disclosed no other pertinent information.

The submitted evidence has been retained.

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(Mr. Long 2260)
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**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535**

To: **FBI, Memphis (44-1987)**

Date: **April 23, 1968**

Re: **MURKIN
CR
OO: Memphis**

J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No. **44-38861**
Lab. No. **D-561211 JK**

Examination requested by: **Novark**

Reference: **Letter 4/19/68**

Examination requested: **Document - Fingerprint**

Remarks:

**You will be advised separately regarding the results
of the fingerprint comparisons.**

Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

2 - Novark (44-654) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

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**REPORT
of the****FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535**To: **FBI, Memphis (44-1987)**Date: **April 23, 1968**Re: **MURKIN
CR**FBI File No. **44-38861**Lab. No. **D-561211 JK**Specimens received **4/20/68**

- Q248** Payment coupon #6 of the Locksmithing Institute bearing hand printed name and address "Eric S. Galt, 1535 N. Serrano, L.A. Calif."
- Q249** Payment coupon #7 of the Locksmithing Institute bearing hand printed name and address "Eric S. Galt, 1535 N. Serrano, L.A. Calif."
- Q250** Payment coupon #8 of the Locksmithing Institute bearing hand printed name and address "Eric S. Galt, 1535 N. Serrano, L.A. Calif."
- Q251** Payment coupon #9 of the Locksmithing Institute bearing hand printed name and address "Eric S. Galt, 113-14th St., N.E. Atlanta-Ga."
- Q252** Order blank for the "Locksmith Ledger" bearing typewritten name and address "Eric S. Galt"
- Q253** Envelope postmarked "Little Falls, N.J., Apr.-9'68" with enclosed "Lesson #8" of the Locksmithing Institute, bearing typewritten name and address for Eric S. Galt
- Q254** Envelope postmarked "Little Falls, N.J., Apr.-10'68" with enclosed "Lesson #9" of the Locksmithing Institute, bearing typewritten name and address for Eric S. Galt

Result of examination:

It was concluded that the questioned hand printing appearing on Q248, Q249, Q250 and Q251 was prepared by the individual responsible for preparing other hand printing on specimens in this case attributed to Eric S. Galt.

The typewritten impressions appearing on Q252, Q253 and Q254 are similar in style to those appearing on other items received in this matter believed to have emanated from Eric S. Galt, but the lack of identifying defects precluded a definite determination as to whether the same typewriter was used to prepare all of these items; however, no significant differences were noted.

The submitted evidence has been retained.



1-Mr. Rosen
(Mr. Long 2260)
~~1-Mr. Conrad~~
1-Mr. Mortimer
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Date: **April 23, 1968**

Re: **MURKIN
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OO: Memphis**

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John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No. **44-38861**
Lab. No. **D-561272 JK**

Examination requested by: **Los Angeles**
Reference: **Airtel 4/19/68**
Examination requested: **Document - Fingerprint**
Remarks:

**You will be advised separately regarding the results
of the fingerprint examination.**

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2 - Los Angeles (44-1974) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

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WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535**

To: **FBI, Memphis (44-1987)**
Re: **MURKIN
CR**

Date: **April 23, 1968**
FBI File No. **44-38861**
Lab. No. **D-561272 JK**

Specimens received **4/22/68**

Q255 One order blank for Futura Books, 4533 West Imperial Highway, Inglewood, California, 90304, bearing typewriting and the handwritten signature "Eric S. Galt"

Result of examination:

It was concluded that the "Eric S. Galt" signature on Q255 was prepared by the individual responsible for the preparation of other signatures in this name which have appeared on specimens previously received.

The typewriting on Q255 conforms in style to the questioned typewriting appearing on other items received in this matter, but the lack of identifying defects precludes a definite determination as to whether the same typewriter was employed. However, no significant differences were noted between the typewriting on Q255 and that appearing on other specimens attributed to Eric S. Galt.

The submitted evidence has been retained.



**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535**

J. Edgar Hoover
~~1 - Mr. Conrad~~
1 - Mr. Stefanik
(Room 1541)
1 - Mr. Swartz
1 - Mr. Verven

To: **FBI, New York (166-1923)**

Date: **April 23, 1968**

Re: **Antonio Corallo, aka
et al.
ITAR-BRIBERY, CONSPIRACY**

J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No. **166-3562**
Lab. No. **E-564-JO**

Examination requested by: **New York**
Reference: **Letter 4/4/68**
Examination requested: **Engineering**
Remarks:

Three filtered copies each were made of Q1 and Q2 and are being sent to your office under separate cover together with Q1 and Q2.

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WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

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Special Agent in Charge

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WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535**To: **FBI, New York (166-1923)**Date: **April 23, 1968**Re: **Antonio Corallo, aka
et al.
ITAR-BRIBERY, CONSPIRACY**FBI File No. **166-3562**
Lab. No. **E-564-JO**Specimens received **4/8/68**

- Q1 One five inch reel of 1/4" magnetic tape labeled
"WAV 10/16/67."**
- Q2 One five inch reel of 1/4" magnetic tape labeled
"WV 12/13/67."**

Result of examination:

Q1 and Q2 are five inch reels of 1/4" magnetic tape containing 1/2-track monaural recordings made at a speed of 1 7/8 IPS.

Three copies each were made of Q1 and Q2. These copies are full-track recordings made at a speed of 3 3/4 IPS.

Q1, Q2 and above-mentioned copies are being forwarded to New York under separate cover via registered mail.

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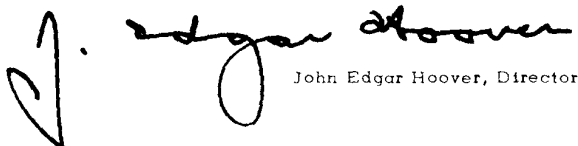
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To: **FBI, Memphis (44-1987)**

Date: **April 23, 1968**

Re: **MURKIN
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OO: Memphis**


John Edgar Hoover, Director

Examination requested by: **Atlanta, New Orleans,
San Francisco**

Reference:

Examination requested: **Airtels, 4/11/68, 4/11/68,
4/10/68, 4/10/68**

Remarks: **Document**

FBI File No. **44-38861**
Lab. No. **D-560626 JK
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D-560658 JK
D-560659 JK**

Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

2 - San Francisco (173-65) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

2 - New Orleans (157-10673) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

2 - Atlanta (44-2386) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

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To: **FBI, Memphis (44-1987)**

Date: **April 23, 1968**

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John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No. **44-38861**
Lab. No. **D-560997 JK**

Examination requested by: **Washington Field Office**

Reference: **Airtel 4/17/68**

Examination requested: **Document**

Remarks:

For the information of Memphis, the known specimens described in the attached report are from individuals seeking information from Safemasters Company, Inc., Washington, D.C., many of these individuals having completed a correspondence course with the Locksmithing Institute, Little Falls, New Jersey.

Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

**2 - Washington Field Office (44-703) Enclosures (93)
(K64-K154, 2 Lab report)**

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WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535**To: **FBI, Memphis (44-1987)**Date: **April 23, 1968**Re: **MURKIN
CR**FBI File No. **44-38831**Lab. No. **D-560997 JK**Specimens received **4/17/68**

K64-K154 Various documents, including envelopes, letters, post cards, etc., either handwritten or typewritten, representing correspondence from ninety-one various individuals, obtained from the application and correspondence file of Safemasters Company, Inc., Washington, D. C.

ALSO SUBMITTED: Twelve copies of letters to various individuals from Safemasters Company, Inc. (no attached letters or correspondence from persons to whom these letters are addressed)

Result of examination:

The writings appearing on K64 through K154 were compared with the questioned writing submitted in this investigation, but nothing of particular significance was noted between these known and questioned writings.

K64 through K154 are returned to the Washington Field Office. These specimens were not photographed.

1 - Mr. McCowan, 2712
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TO SAC, ST. LOUIS (44-775)

FROM DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

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REGISTRATION CARD OF THE CONGRESS AIRPORT INN FOR ONE
JAMES RAY.

IT WAS CONCLUDED THAT THE MOTEL REGISTRATION
CARD WAS NOT EXECUTED BY JAMES EARL RAY, THE SUBJECT IN
THIS CASE.

LATENT RESULTS FURNISHED SEPARATELY. COPY
BEING SENT AIRMAIL TO MEMPHIS.

1 - Memphis - Airmail

NOTE FOR MEMPHIS: No Laboratory report will be submitted regarding
the results of the examination set out above.

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Mr. DeLoach

April 22, 1965

Mr. Rosen

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1 - Mr. Conrad

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With respect to the evidence in this case obtained from the Memphis Police Department, SAC Jensen of our Memphis Office has advised that on the evening of the shooting, 4/4/68, and the morning of 4/5/68, he contacted Frank Holloman, Director of Fire and Police, and inquiry was made of the evidence collected. Holloman advised that all of the material he knew of was at that time in custody of Homicide Division, Inspector N. E. Zachary. He was told that the SAC would take possession of the evidence collected and would prepare it for submission to the FBI Laboratory immediately. No discussion was had with Holloman as to whether or not the FBI Laboratory report would be furnished to him and no request was made by him on arrival at the Homicide Division where the pertinent material had been maintained in a small room off the Homicide Squad rooms under custody of Inspector Zachary. Much of the material had not been identified as two of the officers had secured the pertinent material and arrangements were immediately made with Inspector Zachary to secure the names of the officers who could identify the evidence. Officers properly identified evidence.

The major part of the evidence was submitted by Inspector Zachary who had personally brought it to the police department, however, other miscellaneous items had been secured by individual officers. SAC Jensen advised Inspector Zachary that he would take custody of the material and insure that it was submitted to the FBI Laboratory immediately for appropriate and necessary examination. Inspector Zachary was advised that if he desired a police officer to accompany the Agent this could be arranged, and Inspector Zachary stated he did not feel it was necessary.

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cc: DeLoach
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Memorandum to Mr. DeLoach:
RE: MURKIN

The Memphis Police Department has not asked for the return of the evidence in this case. SAC Jensen, shortly after Mr. DeLoach's trip to Memphis on April 5, 1968, expressed to DeLoach the fact that the Police Department might soon begin wondering whether they would receive a report. DeLoach later mentioned this thought on Jensen's part in conversation with the Director. Both SAC Jensen and Inspector Joe Sullivan have indicated that there has been no request whatsoever on the part of the Memphis Police Department for this evidence to be returned.

Inspector Zachary, Memphis Police Department, has expressed the opinion that ultimately the case would have to be tried as a murder case in local courts. The First Assistant State Attorney General, Robert Dwyer, has indicated an interest in the evidence but has not made any request for its return.

The evidence has been maintained in the FBI Laboratory in view of the exhaustive and intensive investigation being conducted by the FBI and principally because evidence continues to be accumulated as we develop additional information on the background, prior movements and activities of the subject. Retention of the evidence has been particularly important from the standpoint that many of the items contained latent fingerprint impressions. It was, of course, necessary that these impressions be compared with previously obtained material.

OBSERVATIONS:

The individual known as Eric Starvo Galt has now been identified as James Earl Ray, a Bureau fugitive. This important identification, of course, places the case in a different light. We, therefore, now feel that it is not necessary to retain the evidence, which has been already fully examined, and recommend that the evidence recovered by the Memphis Police Department be returned to that agency at this time. It is suggested, however, that the Department be consulted prior to this action being taken.

MR. TROTTER

4-22-68

S. F. Latona

MURKIN

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 ③ Clatter (7132)
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LATENT PRINTS IDENTIFY GALT AS JAMES EARL RAY

Reference is made to memo Mr. Trotter to Mr. Mohr dated 4-19-68, reporting the identification of certain latent prints with the fingerprints of Bureau Fugitive James Earl Ray, FBI #306443A, and that additional comparisons were being made.

The comparisons are now completed and following listed latent fingerprints have been identified as fingerprints of James Earl Ray:

Memphis Evidence From Crime Scene:

- Latent fingerprint on side of Remington model 760 rifle, Q2
- Latent fingerprint on telescopic sight of rifle, Q2
- Latent fingerprint on binoculars, Q14
- Latent fingerprint on Memphis newspaper, Q19
- Latent fingerprint on "after shave lotion" bottle, Q24
- Latent fingerprint on Schlitz beer can, Q53

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Atlanta Evidence From Storage Room in Rooming House at 113 14th Street:

- Two latent fingerprints on "Map of Mexico", Q194

The remaining latent fingerprints in this case are not identical with the fingerprints of Ray, who has now been assigned FBI #405942G (the number assigned to Eric Starvo Galt upon issue of the wanted flyer). Numerous latent palm prints and latent impressions of the lower joints of fingers have been developed in this case, but there

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LABORATORY DIVISION

The following information was received from the Laboratory Division on April 23, 1968, regarding the identification of certain items. The Laboratory Division has identified the items as follows:

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are no palm prints or impressions of the lower joints of the fingers of Ray in Identification Division files for comparison.

ELIMINATION IDENTIFICATIONS

A latent fingerprint from the room in the "Flophouse" rented by "John Willard" has been identified as a fingerprint of a Memphis police officer.

A latent fingerprint developed on the registration card, Q86, of the Rebel Motel in Memphis bearing signature Eric S. Galt has been identified as a fingerprint of a motel employee.

Forty-seven latent fingerprints, twenty-four latent palm prints, and two latent impressions, which may be fingerprints, impressions of lower joints of fingers, or partial palm prints, remain unidentified in this case. These latent prints continue to be compared with suspects as they are developed.

Memphis, Birmingham, Atlanta, and General Investigative Divisions have been advised.

RECOMMENDATION:

For information.



FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

- 1 - Mr. Rosen
- 1 - Mr. Trotter
- Att: Mr. Bonebrake
- 1 - Mr. Long, Rm. 2260
- 1 - ~~Mr. Conrad~~
- 1 - Mr. Clark
- 1 - Lab Files
- 1 - Office, 7133

To: **FBI, Memphis (44-1987)**

Date: **April 22, 1968**

Re: **MURKIN**

J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No. **44-38861**
Lab. No. **PC-A5694 IZ**

Examination requested by: **Memphis**
Reference: **Airtel 4/12/68**
Examination requested: **Microscopic - Miscellaneous - Fingerprint**
Remarks:

This report confirms Butel to Memphis 4/17/68.

You are being advised separately concerning the fingerprint examinations.

Specimens Q204 through Q213 are being temporarily retained in the Laboratory.

Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

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**REPORT
of the****FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535**To: **FBI, Memphis**Date: **April 22, 1968**Re: **MURKIN**FBI File No. **44-38861**Lab. No. **PC-A5694 IZ**Specimens received **4/16/68**

Q204 Pillow
Q205 Pillowcase
Q206 Green sofa pillow
Q207 Bed sheet
Q208 Bed sheet
Q209 Black leather strap, 11/32" wide
Q210 Black leather strap, 5/8" wide
Q211 Dried plant material
Q212 Towel with white, blue, green and yellow stripes
Q213 Red, white and blue plastic pin and portion of pin

Results of examination:

Brown cotton fibers, green cotton fibers and green rayon fibers that could have come from the Q13 bedspread were found on Q207 and Q208. None were found on Q204, Q205, Q206 or Q212.

Several Caucasian head hairs were found on the Q206 sofa pillow and on the Q208 sheet and numerous such hairs were found on the Q207 sheet. Some of these hairs are like the previously described hairs from the Q38 hairbrush and other items and could have come from the same person. It is pointed out that hairs do not possess enough individual microscopic characteristics to be positively identified as originating from a particular person. Most of the hairs from Q206, Q207 and Q208 are different from the previously described hairs from Q38 and other items and did not originate from the same person.

The Q209 strap, which appears new, measures 37½" in length. This strap fits the strap guides on the Q14 binoculars and could be the strap for Q14. No strap is presently on Q14.

A short hand strap is presently on the Q22 binoculars case. The Q210 strap has the same appearance as the hand strap on Q22 except that it is longer. Specimen Q210 could be the shoulder strap for the Q22 case. The Q210 strap appears new and measures 37" in length.

No plant material similar to specimen Q211 was found in the previously submitted debris from the Mustang.

No marks to indicate source were found on Q213. The Q213 pin appears to be a patriotic emblem.



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(Attn: Mr. Mortimer)
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To: **FBI, Atlanta (44-2386)**

Date: **April 22, 1968**

Re: **MURKIN**

J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover, Director

Examination requested by: **Atlanta**

Reference: **Letter 4/15/68**

Examination requested: **Microscopic - Fingerprint -**

Remarks: **Miscellaneous**

FBI File No. **44-38861**
Lab. No. **PC-A5653 IZ**
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This report confirms and supplements Butel to Atlanta and Memphis dated 4/15/68.

You are being advised separately concerning the fingerprint examinations.

All the submitted evidence is being temporarily retained in the Laboratory.

Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

2 - Memphis (44-1987) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

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Specimens received **4/15/68**

Evidence personally delivered on 4/15/68, by SA J. B. Reynolds,
FBI, Atlanta

ITEMS FROM ROOM 6, 113 14th STREET, NORTHEAST, ATLANTA, GEORGIA:

- Q164 Bed sheet
- Q165 Bed sheet
- Q166 Standard Oil map of Atlanta
- Q167 Partial book of matches bearing advertisement of
"Albert Pick"
- Q168 Piece of lined paper
- Q169 Newspaper from shelf
- Q170 Piece of pink paper bearing hand printed name
"Jimmy Owen"
- Q171 Keyhole saw

ITEMS FROM ROOM 5, 107 14th STREET, NORTHEAST, ATLANTA, GEORGIA:

- Q172 Section of newspaper dated 4/7/68

Also Submitted: Three cigarette butts from top of wardrobe,
Room 6
One cigarette butt from under wardrobe, Room 6
Latent lifts 1 through 12 from Room 6
Latent lifts 1 through 3 from Room 5

Results of examination:

Numerous hairs were found on the Q164 and Q165 bed sheets. The hairs include brown to black head, pubic and limb hairs of Caucasian origin. Also, one dark brown head hair of Negroid origin was found on Q165. The range of characteristics exhibited by the Caucasian hairs suggests that they are from more than one person. Some of the hairs are deteriorated and dirty, similar to hairs from floor debris.

A few of the Caucasian head hairs from Q164 and Q165 are similar in some microscopic characteristics to hairs previously found on items from the Mustang and Memphis scene but do not match in all microscopic characteristics. The possibility that these hairs originated from the same source could not be eliminated.

No fibers were found on Q164 or Q165 that could be associated with the QB bedspread or with other cloth items previously submitted from the Memphis scene or from the Mustang.

The Q171 keyhole saw is old. The brand or source of Q171 could not be determined.

Some similarities were noted between the handwritten word "florida" and other variations of this word appearing on Q167 when compared with available writings attributable to Eric S. Galt. The limited nature of the writings on Q167 precluded a more definite opinion.

The hand printing on Q170 (Jimmy Owen) is upper- and lower-case, while previous hand printing on items received has been upper-case letters. For this reason, it could not be determined whether this name was prepared by Galt; however, differences were noted.

The printed words "P^ETTED" and either "PUNCH" or "BUNCH" were faintly inscribed on the newspaper designated Q169. Any significance of this is not known.

No previous road maps similar to Q166 have been received.

Specimens Q166 through Q170 and Q172 were all examined for indented impressions and other markings, but except for the above, nothing of significance was noted.

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1-Lab File

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Re: **MURKIN
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FBI File No. **44-38861**
Lab. No. **D-661293 JK**

Examination requested by: **Atlanta**
Reference: **Letter 4/19/68**
Examination requested: **Document - Fingerprint**

Remarks:

This report confirms and supplements Bureau teletype to Atlanta and Memphis dated 4/19/68.

You will be advised separately regarding the results of the fingerprint examination.

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- 1 - Birmingham (44-1760) Enclosure (Labreport)**

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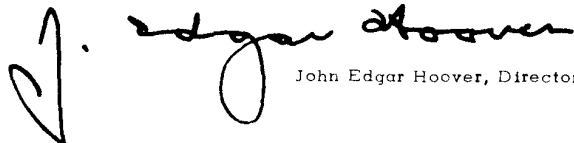
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