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Memorandum

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

FROM : SUPERVISOR CHARLES F. OGLE

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 4/23/68

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P.D., SANTA MARIA, CALIF. - 4/24/68

P.D., SAN LUIS OBISPO, CALIF. - 4/24/68

P.D., PASO ROBLES, CALIF. - 4/24/68

P.D., PISMO BEACH, CALIF. - 4/24/68

S.O., SAN LUIS OBISPO, CALIF. - 4/24/68

SANTA BARBARA COUNTY S.O. SUB-STATION, SANTA MARIA, CALIF. - 4/24/68.

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*Ident Division of San Bernardino P.D. and SO.
Contacted 4/25/68 by SA L.W. Koldewey*

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4/24/68 West Valley Div. LAPD by P. E. Quinn

4/24/68 Thousand Oaks Sub Station

Ventura S. O. by E I Tuggey

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Capt. Ted HARVEY. SAN Berdo. S.O. 4/24/68
COB Bill Grissom BARSTOW PD 4/24/68
Capt. A. G. STROM C.H.P. BARSTOW. 4/24/68.
Sgt. David RATHBONE Needles PD 4/24/68.

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Ventura S.O. - 4-24-68

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Burbank P.D. 4/25/68

Glendale P.D. 4/25/68

*No I.D.'s or possibilities at this time.
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Brea PD - 4/30/68
Montebello PD - 4/30/68
Downey PD - 4/29/68
Whittier PD - 4/30/68
LA HABRA PD - 4/30/68

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Santa Monica PD 4-24-68,
Culver City PD 4-25-68.

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OCSD Santa Ana 4/26/68
ANAHEIM PD 4/26/68
GARDEN GROVE PD 4/26/68

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W. Camille Wee
H. Alston
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San Fernando PD 4/24/68 Lt. CHAS. SHERWOOD.
LAPD Korthill Div. 4/25/68 Lt. Lynn Selby
LAPD Mt. Hollywood Div. 4/24/68 Lt. Gerald Lauritzen
LAPD Van Nuys Div. 4/24/68 Const. Charles Howe

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Los Angeles County Sheriff's Dept., Antelope Valley Station,
Lancaster, California - 4/24/68 - negative results

San Bernardino County Sheriff's Dept., Victorville Sub-station,
Victorville, California, - 4/25/68 - negative results

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Palm Springs Police Dept 4/29/68

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NOTE: Hand print names legibly; handwriting satisfactory for remainder.

Indices: ☐ Negative ☒ See below

Subject's name and aliases MR. (FNU) FOXWORTHY FRED			Address of subject 11871 Bray St. Culver City, Calif. EX8-4092 EX8-4097			Character of case MURKIN
Complainant MRS. ROSANN ROSSO (Protect Identity)			Complainant's address and telephone number 11859 Bray St. Culver City, Calif. EX7-6175			Complaint received ☐ Personal ☒ Telephonic Date 4-23-68 Time 9/33am
Subject's Description	Race	Sex ☐ Male ☐ Female	Height	Hair	Build	Birth date and Birthplace
	Age		Weight	Eyes	Complexion	
	Scars, marks or other data					

Facts of complaint

C. stated the subjects little girl is friends with the Cs. children and while the children were watching television the subjects ~~daughter~~ daughter had slipped and told the Cs. daughter that the mans picture on the television (JAMES EARL RAY) was a ~~cousin~~ cousin of her fathers. The little girl the told the Cs daughter not to tell anyone because her father had instructed ~~her~~ her to tell no one of this. C. also stated the subjects daughter had stated RAY was not known as James Ray in the family but as Earl Ray. C. stated the sub ect and his family are from Indiana and Mr. FOXWORTHY is quite a racist. C. stated the only reason for her call was that if the FBI did not have the above information perhaps it could be of some use to this Bureau.

Action Recommended

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Larry E. Mullins

(Agent)

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FROM : SA WILLIAM N. HEARD

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DATE: 4/23/68

Re memo of SA RAYMOND E. LINDSTROM to SAC, Los Angeles, dated 4/21/68, in which Sgt. GUINEY, LAPD Detective Headquarters, advised he received a call from NANCY NORTHUPP in which she stated she believes she saw the subject at the corner of Sunset Place and Wilshire Place on 4/20/68 and 4/21/68.

The following apartment houses and boarding houses were contacted by SA WILLIAM N. HEARD and SA BILLY DALE HUBBARD ON 4/23/68:

~~Mrs. VERA MCSOY, Mgr two apt. houses~~
~~2893 Sunset Place~~
~~2915 Sunset Place~~

~~Mrs. ELEANOR FAULTLEROY, owner~~
~~2886 Sunset Place~~

~~Mr. JOHN DAVIS~~
~~Red's Boarding House~~
~~2832 Sunset Place~~

unknown lady resident
2875 Sunset Place

~~ALICE B. BENT, Mgr.~~
~~2879 Sunset Place~~

~~CLAIRE FELLMETH~~
~~2869 Sunset Place~~

~~MISS IDA JUNGENSEN~~
~~2857 Sunset Place~~

subject of (RAY)
All of above advised they had not seen/photo with which they were very familiar in the neighborhood. Mrs. FAULTLEROY ADVISED she had lived there 35 years and subject was not in neighborhood. No further investigation being conducted.

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FROM NEW ORLEANS 157-10673 2P

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RE SCOTT NORDAL (LOOK-ALIKE).

RE NEW ORLEANS LETTERS TO BUREAU, ATTENTION FBI LAB.,
APRIL TWENTYTWO, SIXTYEIGHT.

EXAMINATION OF ALL TIME CARDS, COURT OF TWO SISTERS
RESTAURANT, FRENCH QUARTER, NEW ORLEANS, ON APRIL TWENTYTHREE,
SIXTYEIGHT, SHOWS THAT SCOTT NORDAL WORKED FROM TEN THIRTYFIVE
AM TO TEN FIFTYONE PM ON MARCH TWENTYNINE, SIXTYEIGHT, AND ON
MARCH THIRTY, SIXTYEIGHT, WORKED FROM TEN THIRTYFIVE AM UNTIL
TWELVE ZERO FIVE AM ON APRIL ONE, SIXTYEIGHT. NORDAL DID NOT
WORK ON APRIL THREE, SIXTYEIGHT, AND ON APRIL FOUR, SIXTYEIGHT
WORKED FROM TEN FORTYSIX AM TO TWO THIRTY PM AND FROM FOUR
FORTYFOUR PM TO TEN PM THAT EVENING. NORDAL CALLED IN SICK
DURING THE AM OF APRIL FIVE, AND WORKED ON APRIL FIVE, SIXTYEIGHT,
FROM FOUR THIRTYEIGHT PM TO TEN THIRTY PM.

MANAGEMENT OF COURT OF TWO SISTERS ADVISED NOT POSSIBLE FOR
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ANYONE TO PUNCH IN FOR NORDAL. EMPLOYEES OF COURT OF TWO SISTERS ADVISED THAT NORDAL'S LEFT EYE WAS CROOKED AND POINTED INWARD AND THAT NORDAL DID NOT CLOSELY RESEMBLE THE PHOTO OF SUSPECT RAY.

AIRMAIL COPY TO MEMPHIS.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

END AND ACK

LA SMXXXXXX

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FROM : SUPERVISOR WILLIAM JOHN NOLAN

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The writer at approximately 2:20 P.M., 4/22/68, was advised by Supervisor NEAL MC GINNIS that LOUIS LOMAX had telephonically advised him that he had ~~information~~ concerning this case, that he was not in a position to talk about the matter at that time, and that he would call me in about half an hour.

At 2:45 P.M. LOMAX contacted the writer and desired to know if we had any information regarding calls made by GALT during the trip to New Orleans with STEIN. He was informed we could not give out any information and was asked if he were with STEIN. He advised that he was with STEIN in the Sultan Bar, St. Francis Hotel, and that he had a "hot lead" on the telephone calls which he could not very well give over the telephone and requested the writer to contact him. He was advised that Agents would be in contact to get whatever information he had.

SAC GRAPP was then contacted by the writer and advised of the above, and it was recommended that an Agent completely unfamiliar with the case do the interviewing of LOMAX. SA TIMOTHY L. DONOVAN was given the assignment, and SA WILLIAM JOHN SLICKS accompanied him.

After completion of the interview, the writer was advised by SA's DONOVAN and SLICKS of LOMAX's proposal to take ~~CHARLES STEIN~~ to New Orleans over the same path STEIN and GALT had traveled and find the phone booths, and that LOMAX wanted an FBI representative to accompany them. This was apparently to insure the getting of the tolls from the various booths. His offer was declined. He further advised Agents that the plan was not fully matured, but that by 6:00 P.M. he would have all the necessary authorization either to make the trip or not.

SA SLICKS contacted LOMAX telephonically at 6:00 P.M., and LOMAX advised that nothing had come through yet, but that he should be called at 8:00 P.M.

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SA SLICKS was instructed by me that no further calls be made, inasmuch as overinterest on our part would only encourage LOMAX in his plan or enable him to sell it to his employer.

SAC GRAPP was advised of the above by the writer at 8:15 P.M.

LA 44-1574

RE LOUIS LOMAX, TV COMMENTATOR.

CHARLES STEIN, WHO ORIGINALLY REPORTED TAKING TRIP TO NEW ORLEANS ON DECEMBER FIFTEEN LAST WITH ERIC GALT, CONTACTED BY LOMAX TODAY FOR DETAILS OF NEW ORLEANS TRIP. LOMAX THEN CONTACTED LOS ANGELES OFFICE TWO FORTY FIVE PM AND ADVISED THAT HE HAD INFORMATION RE A HOT LEAD IN LOCATING SUBJECT. ADVISED THAT HE HAD SOME INFORMATION CONCERNING IDENTITY OF PERSONS CONTACTED DURING NEW ORLEANS TRIP, WHICH INFORMATION HE DID NOT DESIRE TO GIVE OVER TELEPHONE.

LOMAX CONTACTED AND ADVISED HE HAD LEARNED OF TELEPHONE CALLS MADE BY SUBJECT WHILE EN ROUTE TO NEW ORLEANS WITH STEIN AND ADVISED THAT HE CONTEMPLATED THE POSSIBILITY OF RETRACING THE TRIP WITH STEIN TO ASCERTAIN THE LOCATION OF THE VARIOUS PHONE BOOTHS WHERE STEIN SAW GALT MAKING TELEPHONE CALLS. LOMAX INDICATED THAT FBI PERSONNEL COULD ACCOMPANY HIM AND STEIN ON SUCH A TRIP, WHICH OFFER WAS DECLINED. LOMAX WAS FURNISHED THE ADDRESSES AND TELEPHONE NUMBERS OF LOCAL FBI OFFICES THAT HE MIGHT UTILIZE SHOULD HE DECIDE TO MAKE SUCH A TRIP *and learned of any positive information.*

LOMAX WAS GIVEN NO ENCOURAGEMENT OF ANY KIND, AS IT WAS

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OBVIOUS THAT HE WAS SEEKING INFORMATION AND HAD NO INFORMATION
OF VALUE TO FURNISH. IF SUCH A TRIP IS ~~PLANNED~~, BUREAU AND
INTERESTED OFFICES WILL BE ADVISED. *taken*

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Via _____
(Priority)

Approved: _____ Sent _____ M Per _____
Special Agent in Charge

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)(P) DATE: 4/22/68

FROM : SA WILLIAM JOHN SLICKS

SUBJECT: MURKIN

At approximately 2:45 p.m. on 4/22/68, LOUIS LOMAX, a former Los Angeles television commentator, telephonically contacted Supervisor WILLIAM JOHN NOLAN. Mr. LOMAX advised that he was in possession of information which might possibly be of assistance in investigation of the assassination of MARTIN LUTHER KING. Mr. LOMAX indicated he preferred to talk personally to agents rather than telephonically concerning this information, and was advised that agents would contact him within a few moments.

At approximately 3:10 p.m., SAs WILLIAM JOHN SLICKS and TIMOTHY L. DONOVAN contacted Mr. LOMAX at the Sultan Room of the St. Francis Hotel, 5533 Hollywood Boulevard, Los Angeles, California.

Mr. LOMAX indicated that he had been working diligently as a newsman in connection with the assassination and more particularly with the activities of CHARLES STEIN, the individual who accompanied the man he knew as ERIC S. GALT to New Orleans in December, 1967. Mr. LOMAX advised that he had determined that GALT, while en route to New Orleans, made five telephone calls apparently from telephone pay booths. Four of these calls were completed and one was not complete. Mr. LOMAX advised that he was endeavoring to travel with CHARLES STEIN over the same route that was made with GALT in an effort to actually locate the specific phone booths utilized by GALT. Following identification of these booths, he would endeavor to have phone records checked to determine to whom the calls may have been made, being under the impression that they were made to New Orleans.

LOMAX had no substantiation of the fact that the calls were made to New Orleans other than it was his impression because of the fact that GALT was actually en route to New Orleans.

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LOMAX stated that he was to contact Mr. STEIN later that afternoon concerning this possible trip and if it could be arranged, he was desirous of agent personnel joining him. Mr. LOMAX was advised that it would be very unlikely that agent personnel would be allowed to travel on the route with him, but if the trip were made and if specific phones were identified, that he should contact the nearest office of the FBI, furnishing that office with whatever information he had developed.

LOMAX further advised that he had determined that ~~RITA STEIN~~ is not CHARLES STEIN's sister, but could be his common-law wife or even possibly a prostitute being pimped by CHARLES STEIN.

LOMAX stated that RITA STEIN had advised him that she had seen GALT in a white Mustang with Alabama plates at the parking lot at the Sears Store located at Wilcox and Pico Boulevard, Los Angeles, approximately three weeks prior to the assassination of KING. LOMAX further stated he is endeavoring to identify a girl friend of GALT who he believes used to frequent the Sultan Room, and that following her identification, would interview her for any additional information which she might have concerning GALT and his activities.

Mr. LOMAX indicated that his private telephone number at his home was 278-1223, and should he not be at home, his wife, ROBINNETTE, would know of his whereabouts. He requested he be contacted on the evening of 4/22/68, for any additional information he might have concerning his proposed trip with STEIN.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES

FROM : SUPERVISOR NEAL MC GINNIS

SUBJECT: JAMES RAY; ET AL

DATE: 4/22/68

This is to advise that at 9:30 a.m. LOUIS LOMAX, TV commentator, called the Office and asked to speak to SA RICHARD M. WOOLF. In the absence of SA WOOLF, the call was referred to the writer. LOMAX stated that he wished to discuss a matter with SA WOOLF and left his phone number, requesting that SA WOOLF call him.

In addition, LOMAX inquired if when RAY escaped from Missouri State Penitentiary, was there an FBI wanted notice issued for him at that time.

LOMAX was courteously informed that a copy of the press release would be made available to him if he desired. He requested that this be done. Accordingly, the press release, wanted flyer and photographs of RAY were left at the reception desk for LOMAX or one of his staff to pick them up.

At 2:30 p.m. while on the ASAC's desk in the absence of ASAC ROGGE, LOMAX again called and stated that he had some information that he wished to furnish concerning the murder of Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING. He stated that he would like to talk to someone who was familiar with the case. LOMAX stated that at the phone from which he was calling, he was not in a position to discuss the matter but that he would call back in approximately half an hour and speak to Supervisor NOLAN.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

FROM : SA RICHARD M. WOOLF

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 4/23/68

On 4/22/68 I was advised that Mr. LOUIS LOMAX telephonically had contacted the Office and had requested that I return his call. I have never met Mr. LOMAX personally but have made several contacts with his office at KTTV, particularly with Mr. WILLIAM F. WALKER, Executive Producer, "The Louis Lomax Show." Mr. LOMAX apparently obtained my name through these contacts.

I returned Mr. LOMAX's call as requested. Mr. LOMAX commenced his conversation by asking if I had detailed knowledge of the RAY investigation. I explained that I was aware of the general facts of the case and asked the nature of his inquiry. He explained that he was investigating some "hot leads" in this case and desired to discuss these leads with an appropriate individual. I said that I would be glad to accept any information he had to offer. He said because the case was complex, he wanted to talk with someone who had detailed information concerning the case, to preclude his explaining how his information fitted into the matter.

Because of the foregoing, I suggested that he should furnish the information to Mr. NOLAN. I determined that Mr. NOLAN was at lunch at the time. Mr. LOMAX said he was leaving his home and would telephonically contact Mr. NOLAN later. I left a message with Mr. NOLAN's secretary concerning the above information.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

FROM : SUPERVISOR JOHN S. TEMPLE

SUBJECT: MURKIN
CR

DATE: 4/18/68

SA DWAYNE FRANKLIN, Albuquerque Division, on 4/18/68, at 1:05 p.m., telephonically contacted the Los Angeles Office, at which time he advised that on the night of 4/17/68, the Albuquerque night clerk was in the Greyhound Bus Terminal, Albuquerque, waiting for his mother who was an inbound passenger from Dallas. The night clerk observed a Greyhound bus, number 1273, arrive from Dallas and while the porters were unloading the luggage, the night clerk observed a brown Samsonite twin suiter silhouette model suitcase bearing the name GALT which was written by a red marking pen on a piece of masking tape, 8" long affixed to the suitcase. No destination tag was observed. No one claimed the suitcase. The luggage in which the suitcase was included was reloaded to another cart and thence to the bus which the clerk observed was en route to San Francisco.

The Albuquerque Division advised that bus 1273 left Albuquerque at 11:45 p.m. due to arrive Barstow, California at 1:52 p.m. Los Angeles time. Its next stop was Bakersfield at 5:15 p.m., and thence to San Francisco, exact arrival time not known. The Albuquerque Division noted the luggage could possibly be on a follow-up bus for it is to be noted Greyhound buses usually travel in pairs.

A call was placed with SA MARTIN at Barstow and it was determined that he and Agent WESSEL were at Parker Dam, 250 miles from Barstow. SA MARTIN stated he could ascertain whether or not the suitcase was on the Greyhound bus in question by contacting the Greyhound bus manager, a friend and confidential source. The bus manager will be requested to contact the Los Angeles Office collect if the suitcase is on the bus as reported.

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On 4/18/68, the Greyhound Bus Depot station manager had all luggage removed from Bus 1273 and examined for any suitcase bearing the name of GALT but nothing whatsoever was found even closely approximating the suitcase as described by the Albuquerque Division night clerk. The passengers were also examined by the station master but no one resembling GALT was noticed. This information was telephonically furnished to SA TEMPLE by SA MARTIN at approximately 5:00 p.m., 4/18/68.

5:10 PM FJB

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TO DIRECTOR (44-38861) AND MEMPHIS (44-1987) AND LOS ANGELES
(44-1574) PLAINTEXT
FROM WASHINGTON FIELD (44-703) 2 P

RECEIVED BY CODED TELETYPE

MURKIN 00: MEMPHIS

RE LOS ANGELES TELETYPE TO BUREAU APRIL TWENTY-TWO LAST.
JAMES M. BONES, INSPECTOR, UNITED STATES POST OFFICE (USPO)
ADVISED REQUESTED MONEY ORDER SERIES SEARCH CAN NOT COMMENCE PRIOR
TO APRIL TWENTY-FIVE NEXT BECAUSE OF FILING PROCEDURE UTILIZED BY
USPO. MONEY ORDERS ARE NOT KEPT IN NUMERICAL SEQUENCE BUT ARE
PLACED ACCORDING TO DATE RECEIVED INTO BOXES OF TWO THOUSAND EACH.

ACCOUNTING PERIOD NUMBER NINE COMMENCING WITH SERIES NUMBER
ONE, NINE ONE SIX, TWO ONE ZERO, ONE NINE FIVE THROUGH ONE, NINE
ONE SIX, TWO ONE ONE, ONE TWO SIX AND PERTINENT MONEY ORDER CARDS
AVAILABLE TO DATE IN ACCOUNTING PERIOD NUMBER TEN COMMENCING WITH
ONE, NINE ONE SIX, TWO ONE ONE, ONE TWO SEVEN BEING REVIEWED
INASMUCH AS SERIES NUMBER ONE, NINE ONE SIX, TWO ONE ONE, ZERO
SEVEN EIGHT HAS BEEN USED BY GALT.

APPROXIMATELY TWO HUNDRED BOXES CONTAINING TWO THOUSAND MONEY
ORDER CARDS EACH WILL REQUIRE REVIEWING. REVIEW BEING LIMITED
END PAGE ONE

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TO ABOVE TWO SERIES, COVERING PERTINENT NUMBERS, UACB, IN VIEW
OF VOLUME OF SEARCH ENTAILED. P.

END

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TO SAC SAN DIEGO

FROM DIRECTOR FBI (44-38861)

MURKIN.

✓ JOSEPH MORRIS MARKS, PRIVATE INVESTIGATOR, LOS ANGELES, TELEPHONICALLY FURNISHED THE BUREAU FOLLOWING INFORMATION THIS DATE.

THE TOM ROSE RANCH CONSISTING OF SEVENTEEN HUNDRED ACRES IS REACHED BY TAKING HIGHWAY THREE NINE FOUR FROM SAN DIEGO TO JACUMBA, TURNING LEFT AT A "Y" IN THE HIGHWAY AND TAKING LAWSON VALLEY ROAD FOR TEN MILES TO A DEAD END. THERE IS A LANDING FIELD ON THE RANCH AND RANCH EXTENDS TO THE MEXICAN BORDER. IN THE PAST RANCH HAS BEEN USED BY DETROIT PURPLE GANG AND FUGITIVES HAVE BEEN FLOWN THERE TO CROSS MEXICAN BORDER WHERE THEY ARE HIDDEN OUT AT RANCHERA DE PUERTO. MARKS OFFERED THE OPINION THAT RAY HAS PASSED THROUGH THE ROSE RANCH TO RANCHERA DE PUERTO. HANDLE AND ADVISE. MARKS APPEARS TO BE IDENTICAL WITH AN INDIVIDUAL WHO HAS COMPLAINED TO LOS ANGELES OFFICE OF VARIOUS MATTERS

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RE: MURKIN

AND WHO HAS PREVIOUSLY BEEN DESCRIBED AS UNRELIABLE AND
A NUT. COPY FURNISHED LOS ANGELES AND MEMPHIS BY MAIL.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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TELETYPE

URGENT

TO: DIRECTOR

FROM: PHOENIX (44-371) (TWO PAGES)

MURKIN. CR.

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RE MP TEL TO DIRECTOR, LA, PX, AND TAMPA, APRIL NINETEEN, LAST.

DOUGLAS SMITH, INSURED DRIVEAWAY SYSTEMS, THREE SIX TWO FIVE, NORTH SIXTEENTH STREET, PHOENIX, ARIZONA, CONTACTED APRIL NINETEEN AND TWENTYTWO, INSTANT BY SA KENNETH H. DE HOFF.

JAMES WRAY, FIVE TWO SEVEN ZERO AXTRY PLACE, LAKEWOOD, CALIFORNIA, TELEPHONE T ZERO SEVEN DASH ZERO EIGHT TWO ONE WAS LISTED AS A SALESMAN AND DRIVER FOR LUCY BERRON, FOUR ZERO EIGHT SIX PARK BOULEVARD, PINEALLAS PARK, CALIFORNIA, TRANSPORTED A CAR THROUGH PHOENIX ON SEPTEMBER TWENTYSEVEN, SIXTYSEVEN. NO DESCRIPTION AVAILABLE BUT HE HAD BEEN DRIVING FOR INSURED DRIVEAWAY SYSTEMS PROBABLY OUT OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA FOR THE PAST ONE AND ONE-HALF YEARS.

SMITH OF OPINION THIS INDIVIDUAL NOT IDENTICAL AND NO OTHER INFORMATION FOUND IN HIS FILES.

- 1 - Los Angeles (AM)
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AND TAMPA.

Enclosed to Memphis one Xerox copy of re tel.

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Indices: ☐ Negative ☐ See below

Subject's name and aliases <i>Murkin</i>				Address of subject		Character of case	
Complainant <i>Dave Welch</i>				Complainant's address and telephone number <i>835 Irving Dr Burbank, Calif</i>		Complaint received ☐ Personal ☒ Telephonic Date <i>4/22</i> Time <i>6:30 p</i>	
Subject's Description	Race	Sex ☐ Male ☐ Female	Height	Hair	Build	Birth date and Birthplace	
	Age	Weight	Eyes	Complexion			
	Scars, marks or other data						
Facts of complaint <i>C advised he observed a man who resembled Galt driving a white over green Pontiac in Burbank, Calif. this afternoon. He advised this individual was accompanied by a young woman and a child. He stated the individual acted suspicious. The license # no. of the Pontiac was NAX 127.</i> <i>DMV- DANIEL LEE TRUHITE 3270 Oakshire Drive Hollywood</i> <i>Lead 44-1574-61B</i> <i>24 hrs</i>							
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

FROM : SA FREDERICK J. PETERSEN

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 4/23/68

Re memoranda SA ORLEY A. LEESON, JR, dated 4/20/68 and SA NORBERT R. LINKER, dated 4/21/68.

On 4/23/68, Miss MARY BENTLEY, nurse, Southland Sanitarium, 5750 San Vincente, Los Angeles, California at first denied and then reluctantly admitted she had called the FBI about a patient at this small sanitarium whom she felt resembles Fugitive RAY. She advised that she had no information identifying this patient, OWEN FITZMAURICE, with this case other than the fact that she felt he resembles the photograph she has seen of RAY. She did comment that FITZMAURICE is an unpleasant individual and that she and other Negro female attendants at this sanitarium are afraid of him.

Also on 4/23/68, Dr. MARTIN MAIDMAN, operator of this sanitarium, advised that he sees no resemblance between the photograph of RAY and his patient, FITZMAURICE, except that they both have pointed noses. He pointed out that FITZMAURICE has been a patient at this alcoholic's sanitarium off and on during the past several months. He stated that FITZMAURICE resides at the Figueroa Hotel in Los Angeles and works as a reporter for the Herald-Examiner newspaper in Los Angeles. He described this man from records at the sanitarium as a Caucasian, male, born [redacted] height 5'9", weight 160, brown hair, blue eyes. He said that FITZMAURICE is from Duluth, Minn.

In view of the above, it is not felt further investigation of FITZMAURICE as a suspect is warranted. LA indices are negative re this name.

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Subject's name and aliases <u>PAUL R. GULD</u>		Address of subject 4028 S. 11t. St. LA, Calif.		Character of case. MURKIN	
Complainant <u>MRS. HOLMS</u> <u>"Holms Motel"</u>		Complainant's address and telephone number 3711 S. Western LA, Calif. 734-4713		Complaint received ☐ Personal ☒ Telephonic Date <u>4-23-68</u> Time <u>1/15pm</u>	
Subject's Description	Race	Sex ☐ Male ☐ Female	Height	Hair	Build
	Age		Weight	Eyes	Complexion
	Scars, marks or other data				

Facts of complaint

C. stated the subject had rented a room but had soon left after renting the room.. C, stated the subject looks like the picture of RAY in the papers. C. also stated the subject was driving a Yellow Chev. Calif. License # WCN 392.

Acc. to DMV WCN 392 is registered to: COBERLY CAR LEASING
966 S. Western Ave.
LA, Calif.

C. could furnish no further information at this time.

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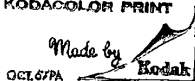
Subject's name and aliases			Address of subject		Character of case MURKIN	
Complainant DOROTHY WEAKLEY			Complainant's address and telephone number 847 Exposition Blvd. Los Angeles 947-7576		Complaint received ☒ Personal ☐ Telephonic Date 4-23-68 Time 11:19 am	
Subject's Description	Race	Sex ☐ Male ☐ Female	Height	Hair	Build	Birth date and Birthplace
	Age		Weight	Eyes	Complexion	
	Scars, marks or other data					
Facts of complaint C stated she is a student at USC. C related a friend of hers, HARRIET SMALTZ, 309 S. Alexandria, Los Angeles, is also a student at USC. C stated that SMALTZ is a southern girl, and about three or four weeks before KING was killed, she said in one of their classes that he was the most important person in the U.S. C went on to say that that during the week before his death, SMALTZ seemed very nervous, but after has seemed very calm. C stated she recently found out that SMALTZ has been to the Rabbit Rabbits Foot Bar in Hollywood, and C can recall reading something about that bar in the paper. C stated that SMALTZ also said recently that it would be very easy to get into Mexico. C stated she does not know if SMALTZ is involved in any way, but thought thought this office might want to talk with her. C also left the attached picture of SMALTZ.						
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IC RICHARD T. VOYLES (Agent)						



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Subject

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Address

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Race

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☐ Male☐ Female

Exact Spelling

☐ All References

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NI - Not identical

U - Unavailable reference

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WANTED FEDERAL FUGITIVE-TOP TEN FUGITIVE
JAMES EARL RAY, AKA, ERIC STARVO GALT, W.C. HERRON, HARVEY LOWMYER,
JAMES MC BRIDE, JAMES O-CONNER, JAMES WALTON, JAMES WALYON, JOHN
WILLARD, JIM - CIVIL RIGHTS - CONSPIRACY, INTERSTATE FLIGHT-
ROBBERY, FBI NUMBER 405 942 G, DOB [REDACTED] AT QUINCY OR ALTON, ILL.,
5-10 163-174 LBS., MEDIUM BUILD, BROWN HAIR, POSSIBLY CUT SHORT,
OCCUPATION - BAKER, COLOR MATCHER, LABORER, BLUE EYES, MEDIUM COMPLEXION
RACE-WHITE. SCARS AND MARKS -- SMALL SCAR ON CENTER OF FOREHEAD. SMALL
SCAR ON PALM OF RIGHT HAND. REMARKS-- NOTICEABLE PROTRUDING LEFT EAR,
REPORTEDLY A LONE WOLF, ATTENDED DANCE INSTRUCTION SCHOOL. REPORTEDLY
RECENTLY COMPLETED A COURSE IN BARTENDING. FINGERPRINT CLASSIFICATION
16, M OVER M, 9 OVER 4, U OVER W, 000 OVER IOI, TWELVE.
CONSIDER ARMED AND EXTREMELY DANGEROUS. ANY INFORMATION REFER FBI,
SF, FILE 173-65. THANKS
CHARLES W BATES SPEC AGT IN CHG FBI SAN FRANCISCO WEH SAC PS

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

MURKIN.

IDENTIFICATION DIVISION IS REQUESTED TO COMPARE LATENTS
IN FOLLOWING CASES WITH KNOWN FINGERPRINTS OF JAMES EARL RAY.
CASES ARE SET OUT BY LATENT CASE NUMBER.

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EIGHT ZERO FIVE ZERO NINE.

EIGHT TWO ZERO TWO SEVEN.

EIGHT SEVEN EIGHT ONE NINE.

NINE ZERO THREE ZERO SEVEN.

ABOVE LATENT CASE NUMBERS REFLECT LOS ANGELES ORIGIN CASES
OCCURRING SINCE APRIL TWENTY-THREE, NINETEEN SIXTY-SEVEN,
WHEREIN UNSUB IN SOME WAY RESEMBLES PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION OF
RAY. A AND D.

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Approved: WJ

Special Agent in Charge.

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Airtel

To: SAC's, Tampa (157-3231)
Memphis (44-1987)

From: Director, FBI (44-38861)

MURKIN

Re Tampa teletype 4/19/68.

The fingerprints of James Earl Ray, FBI #405942G, are not identical with the fingerprints of James Willard Wray, FBI #699529B.

The remaining unidentified latent fingerprints and the latent impressions in this case are not identical with the fingerprints of Wray. No palm prints are available in our Identification Division files for Wray.

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- 1 - Phoenix
- ① - Los Angeles

James Willard Wray

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Airtel

To: SAC's, New York (44-1609)
Memphis (44-1987)

From: Director, FBI (44-38861)

MURKIN

Re New York teletype 4-19-68

The remaining unidentified latent fingerprints and the latent impressions in this case are not identical with the fingerprints of Maurice Lamar Wolverton, born [redacted] in Ohio, who may or may not be the same as the Maurice Wolverton described in referenced teletype. No palm prints are available in our Identification Division files for Wolverton.

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TO DIRECTOR (44-38861), ATLANTA, BIRMINGHAM, CHICAGO, KANSAS CITY,
MEMPHIS (44-1987, ST. LOUIS, LOS ANGELES, LAS VEGAS, AND SPRINGFIELD
FROM SAN FRANCISCO (173-65) 2P

MURKIN

RE HARVEY EDWARD LOHMEYER, SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA.

LOHMEYER REINTERVIEWED AT SAN JOSE BY BUREAU AGENTS TODAY. HE
IS UNABLE TO RECOGNIZE ANY PHOTOGRAPH OF JAMES EARL RAY, HOWEVER, NAME
EARL RAY IS FAMILIAR TO LOHMEYER. HE IDENTIFIED ONE NINE FIVE FIVE
PHOTOGRAPH OF WALTER TERRY RIFE AS INDIVIDUAL HE KNEW IN QUINCY,
ILLINOIS, PRIOR TO ONE NINE FIVE FIVE. ALSO ADVISED HE KNEW JOHN RAY AND
HIS BROTHER, JERRY RAY. THESE PEOPLE ALSO USED NAME RYAN. LOHMEYER
SERVED TIME AT MENARD, ILLINOIS, WITH JOHN RAY AND LONNIE RIFE, BROTHER
OF WALTER.

DURING PERIOD ONE NINE FIVE FIVE TO ONE NINE FIVE EIGHT THE
RAY (RYAN) FAMILY CONSISTING OF MOTHER AND SISTER OF JOHN RAY
MOVED FROM QUINCY TO ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI. DURING THIS PERIOD ONE
OF RAY FAMILY, POSSIBLY JERRY OR EARL RAY, WAS ARRESTED IN MISSOURI
FOR CRIME INVOLVING POSTAL MONEY ORDERS ACCORDING TO LOHMEYER. ✓ true
LOHMEYER WORKED IN PRISON KITCHEN WITH JOHN RAY WHEN RAY WAS EIGHTEEN
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TO NINETEEN YEARS OF AGE. STATES RAY HAD STRONG PREJUDICE AGAINST NEGROES BUT EXPAINED THIS WAS GENERAL FEELING AMONG WHITE INMATES. LOHMEYER CONSIDERS JOHN RAY OF TEMPERMENT TO COMMIT MURKIN BUT PROBABLY WOULD BE INVOLVED AS HIRED ASSASSIN. THIS OPINION WAS NOT SOLICITED BUT WAS INTRODUCES IN INTERVIEW BY LOHMEYER WHO HAS CLOSELY FOLLOWED THIS CASE THROUGH NEWS MEDIA.

ALL OFFICES CONSIDER RAY BROTHERS AND RIFE BROTHERS AS POSSIBLE ACCOMPLICES OF JAMES EARL RAY.

SPRINGFIELD AND ST. LOUIS ATTEMPT TO FURTHER IDENTITY JOHN LARRY RAY (RYAN) AND ASCERTAIN CURRENT ACTIVITIES.

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MURKIN

RECEIVED BY CODED TELETYPE

RE LOS ANGELES TEL MIAMI, APRIL TWENTYTWO, LAST.

RE JAMES EARL RAY- LOOK-A-LIKE.

ON APRIL TWENTYTHREE, INSTANT, NATIONAL AIRLINES (NAL) STEWARDESSES MONA LEVINE, SUSAN CARBONE, JOANN HARRINGTON AND JOANNE MC CLAIN WERE INTERVIEWED ON ARRIVAL OF NAL FLIGHT FORTYEIGHT AT MIAMI. THESE STEWARDESSES ADVISED THAT THEY HAD BEEN ABOARD NAL FLIGHT FORTYSEVEN ON APRIL TWENTYONE, LAST, BUT ALL STATED THEY HAD NOT SEEN OR NOTICED ANY PERSON ON SAID FLIGHT DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS- SIX FEET ONE INCH, BROWN HAIR, NEATLY TRIMMED GOATEE, LIGHT COLORED COWBOY STRAW HAT, BIEGE LEVI TYPE JACKET, WEARING BLACK HORN-RIMMED GLASSES.

THEY WERE EXHIBITED PHOTOS OF JAMES EARL RAY AND WALTER T. RIFE AND STATED THAT NO ONE ON FLIGHT FORTYSEVEN ON APRIL TWENTYONE, LAST, HAD RESEMBLED EITHER PHOTO TO THE BEST OF THEIR RECOLLECTION.

BIRMINGHAM HOUSTON MEMPHIS ADVISED SEPARATELY

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