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DEMPSEY stated he does recall making a trip to Deming to get CHASON during the December snowstorm, as school was closed Monday, December 18, and on the 18th, he was in Deming with CHASON.

Mrs. FRANCES DEMPSEY, wife, stated she believed the call came at the same time that her husband had stated.

CHASON presently lives at 875 22nd Avenue South, St. Petersburg, Florida.

CHASON is described as follows:

Race	White
Sex	Male
Age	23
Height	5' 7" - 8"
Hair	Blond
Wife	PHYLLIS DEMPSEY CHASON

Marfa, Texas, is approximately 297 miles southeast of Deming, New Mexico.

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AIR MAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
FROM: SAC, LITTLE ROCK (157-1215) (P)
RE: MURKIN
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(OO: ME)

Re Los Angeles teletype to Bureau, 4/30/68,
re telephone booths St. Francis Hotel, Los Angeles.

Mr. **JAMES HANDLOSER**, Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, Little Rock, Arkansas, former SA of FBI, advised that due to the telephone strike, unable to locate telephone bills for Little Rock subscribers for February, but a check of IBM message charge tickets located a telephone call on February 16, 1968, from Los Angeles telephone number 462-9910 to Little Rock telephone number ~~MDham~~ 4-1478, a station to station call in the daytime.

~~Mrs. E. H. WILSON~~, 2000 Magnolia Street, Little Rock, Arkansas, subscriber to the above Little Rock telephone, recontacted on May 2, 1968, and she advised she has now determined that her son, E. H. WILSON, JR., telephoned her apartment on February 16, 1968, and talked to Mrs. WILSON's daughter.

No further action being taken in this matter.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

FROM : SA CARL G. MURANO, JR.

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 5/2/68

On 4/18/68, GLEN REDDICK, 2850 Union Street, Rialto, California, advised that he met an individual using the name PETE MADISON, who is the brother of EDWARD MADISON, who resides at 2707 West Second Street, Rialto, California. He stated this individual, PETE MADISON, looks like JAMES EARL RAY.

On 4/18/68, EDWARD MADISON, 2707 West Second Street, Rialto, California, advised that his brother, PETE MADISON, age 47, 5'11", 160 pounds, is currently in Bakersfield, California, attempting to obtain employment as a carpenter. EDWARD MADISON stated that his brother, PETE, arrived at his residence from Long Island, New York, on 3/22/68 and remained at this residence until 4:00 a.m., 4/18/68. He further advised that PETER MADISON was in the U. S. Navy during World War II and that he is not identical in appearance to JAMES EARL RAY. He exhibited photograph of his brother. This indicates that his brother is not similar in appearance to RAY and also wears a moustache. Since he was at this trailer park 3/29/68, he could not be identical with individual involved in the murder of MARTIN LUTHER KING.

Per 4/22/68

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES

FROM : SA L. HOYT MC GUIRE

SUBJECT: MURKIN
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DATE: 5/3/68

FURMAN RUSSELL CONNER

Re memo of SA RICHARD H. BLOESER, dated 4/26/68
(44-1574-814).

Mr. R. S. KNOWLTON, 428 West Regent, Inglewood, California, was interviewed at which time he furnished the following information:

Mr. KNOWLTON said that on the day of the funeral of MARTIN LUTHER KING, he had returned home from Palm Springs, California, and had observed a gray Corvette convertible having Texas License Plates LRZ 756, parked on the street near his residence. He said he observed that this vehicle had a small black flag on the antenna for two or three days after this. KNOWLTON said that on 4/26/68, he observed that this vehicle now had Oklahoma License KK 3051. KNOWLTON said that he had observed a white male who apparently lived in the Page Apartments across the street enter this vehicle.

After viewing photographs of JAMES EARL RAY on wanted flier Number 442-A, Mr. KNOWLTON said that the individual he had observed in the car did not appear to be identical with JAMES EARL RAY.

Mrs. ALTA PAGE, 425 West Regent, Inglewood, California, manager of the apartments at this address, informed that the owner of the 1966 Corvette sting-ray apparently was Mr. and Mrs. RUSSELL CONNER who have resided in Apartment 7 at this address since February, 1968.

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Mrs. PAGE stated that the CONNERS have two automobiles, one of which is a 1961 or 1962 blue Chevrolet convertible which had Georgia license plates. Mrs. PAGE said that she really knew very little about the CONNERS but recalled that when they rented the apartment, Mr. CONNER indicated that he had been sent out here by some company to go to school and Mrs. CONNER apparently intended to obtain a secretarial position. She recalled that when the CONNERS moved to this address, they brought two Hondas with them and what furniture they had they had transported in a U-Haul rental trailer. She said that it was her understanding that the CONNERS had formerly resided in Atlanta, Georgia.

Mrs. PAGE, upon viewing wanted flier number 442-A said that she did not believe that CONNER could be identical with JAMES EARL RAY.

On 5/1/68, Mr. FURMAN RUSSELL CONNER, Apartment 7, 425 West Regent, Inglewood, was interviewed by Detective ROBERT DANNAKER and the writer.

Mr. CONNER informed that he and his wife had been living at Marietta, Georgia, where he had worked for the Astro - Data Corporation, but he said that he had been laid-off on 12/4/67. Mr. CONNER advised that with the assistance of a friend, he obtained a position with the Scientific Data System which company sent him to Dallas, where he worked for two months. CONNER advised that while in Dallas, Texas, he purchased a 1966 Chevrolet Corvette sting-ray from Steakley Motors and in this connection he exhibited a transfer registration receipt showing that he had purchased this car on 2/6/68. The VIN of the sting-ray was listed as 194676S114935 and a lienholder was listed as the Scientific Data System Employees Credit Union, El Segundo, California.

Set forth below is the following physical description of FURMAN RUSSELL CONNER as obtained during interrogation and observation:

Sex	Male
Race	White
Nationality	American

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Birth Data	[REDACTED]
	Miami, Florida
Height	6'2"
Weight	200 pounds
Hair	Sandy
Eyes	Blue
Marital Status	Married
	Wife, BARBARA
Military Service	United States Navy
	NSN [REDACTED]
Social Security Number	[REDACTED]
Selective Service	Registered, Local Board
	Gardena, California
Scars	Acme scars on face

It is noted that Mr. CONNER explained the reason he had switched the license plates on the Corvette from Texas to Oklahoma License was due to the fact that he would be leaving California in a few weeks to go to Ponca City, Oklahoma to work for Scientific Data Systems. He said that it was cheaper for him to register his automobiles in Oklahoma than in California and this was the reason he had recently changed the license plates on his cars.

On the basis of visual observation and physical description, CONNER was eliminated as being identical with JAMES EARL RAY.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

DATE: 5/3/68

FROM : SA FREDRICK E. BECKER

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re memo of SA THEODORE J. A'HEARN at Los Angeles dated 4/30/68.

On May 2, 1968 a check of the records and files of the Los Angeles Police Department, the Los Angeles Sheriff's Office and Jail as well as the records and files of the Los Angeles County Probation Office failed to reflect any information not already obtained.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

DATE: 5/3/68

FROM : SA RICHARD J. RAYSA

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re 4/29/68 memo of SA WILLIAM J. REHDER concerning information from BRADDOCK OPPERMAN.

Efforts to locate LESLIE P. KLEIN, 7730 El Caprice, North Hollywood on 5/2/68 were negative.

On 5/3/68 RALPH KLEIN, 7730 El Caprice, North Hollywood, was contacted at Room 231, USDC, 312 North Spring Street, Los Angeles, where he is employed as a court clerk. KLEIN advised that he drives a 1956 Dodge bearing California license HH Z 764 and registered to his wife, LESLIE P. KLEIN; and, that on 4/29/68 he would have driven this vehicle to work. KLEIN further advised that this vehicle contains a bumper sticker bearing the words "Where is Galt", which sticker has been on the vehicle for over a year and refers to the fictional character of JOHN GALT in ANN RYND's book "Atlas Shrugged." It is noted that KLEIN is the son of SAM KLEIN, INS, Los Angeles, and only slightly resembles JAMES EARL RAY.

No further investigation being conducted re RALPH KLEIN.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC LOS ANGELES (44-1574) (P)

DATE: 5/3/68

FROM : SA JAMES J. FEENEY

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re FD-71 of SA WILLIAM S. ROOFE dated 4/27/68.

On 5/1/68 Mrs. DALL HYMAN, 5612 Harold Way, Hollywood, California was contacted and advised that the individual whom she saw at her apartments did not at all resemble the recent photographs of EARL W. GALT, i.e., JAMES EARL RAY. Mrs. HYMAN stated that she saw a photo of RAY in TIME magazine which was taken fifteen years ago (1952) and thought that this photo somewhat resembled the man she saw at her door, who was applying for a room to let. Three current photos of JAMES EARL RAY were exhibited to Mrs. HYMAN and she stated that the man who appeared at her door was much younger than that depicted as RAY in the photos shown to her. Mrs. HYMAN said that the man had a full head of hair, was slender, weighing about 150 lbs and was about her (Mrs. HYMAN's) height. RAY's receding hairline was pointed out to Mrs. HYMAN and she stated that the man who appeared at her door seemed to have a full head of hair. Mrs. HYMAN is 5'8".

In view of the above facts no further investigation seems indicated in this matter.

ADDITION: In addition to the above the (C) Mrs. HYMAN stated that she was not certain of the license of the car that the individual was driving and did not know the make of the vehicle.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

DATE: 5/3/68

FROM : SA, WILLIAM J. PETTIT

SUBJECT: MURKIN

At 6:48PM this date Mr. JACOB WOLFE 1143 Bloomdale Dr. Duarte, California, Phone 358 6346 advised that he is employed at Glancy Union service station 1602 South Myrtle Dr. Monrovia, California on the 7:00AM - 2:00PM shift. He furnished the following information.

At approximately 2PM this date, a white Male resembling JAMES EARL RAY stopped at above service station driving a 1961 Mercury convertible, grey in color with a dirty white top bearing Florida plates (No. not recorded). Second person in car described only as White male with blonde hair. No purchases made. occupants said they were headed for Fla. by way of Oklahoma City and requested roadmap of U Sof A.

WOLFE advised that occupant in question wearing rawhide cowboy boots, Levis jeans, Blue plaid shirt. WOLFE noticed that occupants eyes were Brown. WOLFE would like to see photos of RAY.

WOLFE was called back per Supervisor NOLAN and advised that Agents would contact him at the station 5/4/68 with photos of RAY.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, Los Angeles (44-1574)

DATE: 5-4-68

FROM : SA Albert W. Carlblom

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Reference is made to memorandum for SAC of SA William J. Pettit, dated 5-3-68.

Rememo reflects that Jacob Wolfe, 1602 S. Myrtle Avenue, Monrovia, Calif. wanted to see pictures of James Earl Ray.

On 5-4-68, Jacob Wolfe, 1143 Bloordale Dr., Duarte, Calif., telephone 358-6346 advised that he is employed as a mechanic at Glancy Union Service Station, 1602 S. Myrtle Ave., Monrovia. He advised that on 5-3-68, after lunch, about 2:00PM, he observed a 1961 or 1962 grey Mercury convertible with a dirty white top standing on the premises of the station. The vehicle definitely had a Florida license, number unknown and top rear on the passenger side had a square patch glued or ironed on. The patch was over the rear window.

There were two occupants of the car but Wolfe spoke with the driver. The driver asked for a map of the United States. Wolfe told him he had a map of Southwest U. S. and the man said that would probably have a small map of the U.S. The driver said he was going to Florida and to Oklahoma City, Okla. He wanted to know if Route 66 went to Oklahoma City. He was going to Oklahoma City enroute to Florida. He asked for Route 66 and Wolfe told him where it was. They made no purchase and drove off in a northerly direction which would be the way to reach Route 66. Wolfe said no other persons spoke to them at the station. Wolfe said he did not know the men's names, address or where they were from. He said he had never seen them previously. Wolfe described the driver as follows:

Race	White
Age	30-36
Height	5'11" with the high-heeled boots
Weight	160-180
Complexion	Medium
Eyes	Set close to nose; they were "definitely brown"; "an almost positive his eyes were definitely brown-am almost sure of that";
Nose	It was "sort of set out" and looked "sort of long"
Face	Not on fat side
Hair	Black, combed back. No hippie, butch or flat-top cut.

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Scars or Marks	None observed
Clothes	No hat; plaid shirt with blue and yellow; levis; brown rough rawhide cowboy boots with high heels-like riding boots;
Accent	Had Southern accent.
Misc.	Polite but in a hurry

The person with the driver was described as follows:

Race	White
Age	About 30
Hair	Blonde, normal cut, believed parted.
Height	6' 0" or 1"
Weight	160-170
Build	Thin
Clothes	Light trousers and believed a white shirt.
Accent	None recalled

Wolfe advised that both persons were clean in dress and both were clean shaven; that he has no idea how to reach them. He advised that Ralph Glancy, owner of the service station, might have seen the couple, but he believed that Glancy was not there at the time. *He other customers there at time.*

The Wanted Notice re Ray as well as the Ray picture with a lamp in the background ^{was white} Wolfe said that the 1968 picture on the notice is similar to the driver; that if Ray had brown eyes, they would look alike. He said that he "would almost swear he (the driver) had brown eyes. He said he was almost certain the driver had brown eyes. Wolfe advised that the passenger in the car was definitely not Ray.

Ralph Glancy was also interviewed at the station on 5-4-68. He was shown the Wanted Notice and the picture above mentioned, but he said he had not seen Ray. Glancy was informed of the information furnished by Wolfe and the time of occurrence but he said he cannot recall the incident and may have been out to lunch at the time.

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TELETYPE

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TO: SAC, BIRMINGHAM AND MEMPHIS
FROM: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
MURKIN

RENYTEL FOUR TWENTY-FOUR SIXTY-EIGHT.

BUREAU IS DISSEMINATING THE REPORTS IN THIS CASE TO THE DEPARTMENT, THEREFORE, BUREAU AUTHORITY IS GRANTED TO BIRMINGHAM TO DISSEMINATE ONE COPY EACH OF THE REPORTS OF ATLANTA, BIRMINGHAM, LOS ANGELES AND MEMPHIS TO USA AT BIRMINGHAM. COPIES OF REPORTS SHOULD NOT BE DISSEMINATED TO USA, MEMPHIS OR ANY OTHER USA.

ADVISE USA, BIRMINGHAM IN WRITING THAT REPORTS OR CONTENTS THEREOF ARE FOR THEIR OWN USE AND NOT TO BE DISCLOSED TO OUTSIDE PERSONS.

AIR MAIL COPIES TO ATLANTA AND LOS ANGELES.

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AIRMAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
FROM: SAC, KANSAS CITY (44-760) P
MURKIN

Re Dallas teletype to the Bureau, 4/27/68.

Referenced communication revealed subject, while in Missouri State Penitentiary, had an inmate named GREEN beaten up by two other inmates because of nonpayment for amphetamine powder. Inmate named (FNU) WADE believed to have been one of the prisoners who did the beating.

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau and each receiving office is one copy of an investigative insert concerning all the inmates named WADE incarcerated at the Missouri State Penitentiary at the time subject was there.

LEADS

LOS ANGELES

AT CHINO, CALIFORNIA

Will review records of the California State Penitentiary under number B-10470 in an attempt to determine KENNETH LEE WADE's whereabouts in order to interview him regarding subject.

ST. LOUIS

AT ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI

Attempt to locate and interview KENNETH LEE WADE

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 - 2 St. Louis (Enc. 1)
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for any information he may have regarding subject at residence of his mother, Mrs. MILDRED WADE, 2150 East Cottage, St. Louis, Mo.

KANSAS CITY

AT WAYNESVILLE, MISSOURI

Will contact Mr. and Mrs. BEN F. WADE, Route 2, in an attempt to locate HAROLD WADE to interview him regarding subject.

AT WICHITA, KANSAS

Will interview Mrs. ALENE WADE, 2531 North Minneapolis, in an attempt to locate JAMES A. WADE in order that he may be interviewed regarding subject.

AT KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI

Will review records, Kansas City, Missouri, Police Department, #EX45492 and #98630, in an attempt to determine whereabouts of DENNIS WADE FONTENNOT so that he may be interviewed regarding whereabouts of subject.

ARMED & DANGEROUS.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

DATE: 5/3/68

FROM : SA JOHN L. WALTERS

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Kansas City airtel to Director 5/1/68.

Re: ~~KENNETH LEE WADE~~, FBI #568123B,
California State Penitentiary #B-10470

Mr. JOHN NORR, Records Division, California Institution for Men, Chino, California, advised the writer on 5/3/68 that KENNETH LEE WADE, according to their records, was transferred to San Quentin Penitentiary on 9/19/67, and that the file on him was transferred to San Quentin at the same time.

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AIR MAIL

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

Re Kansas City airtel 5/1/68 to the Bureau re location of former inmate (FNU) WADE of Missouri State Penitentiary.

Mr. JOHN NORR, Records Division, California Institution for Men, Chino, California, advised on 5/3/68 that KENNETH LEE WADE, according to their records, was transferred to San Quentin Penitentiary on 9/19/67. The file on him was transferred to San Quentin at the same time.

Enclosed for San Francisco are one copy of reairtel and its enclosure.

LEAD:

SAN FRANCISCO

AT SAN QUENTIN, CALIFORNIA: Review records at San Quentin Penitentiary regarding KENNETH LEE WADE to determine his whereabouts in order to interview him concerning subject.

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2 - San Francisco (173-65) (Encs. - 2) (AM)
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Memorandum

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

FROM : SA L. HOYLT MC QUIRE

SUBJECT: MURKIN
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DATE: 5/2/68

RALPH GEORGE GAUT

Re memo of SA RICHARD B. GEORGE, dated 4/19/68 (44-1574-394).

On 4/29/68, RALPH GEORGE GAUT was contacted at his place of business at 2719 Artesia Boulevard, Redondo Beach, California, at which time by visual observation it became readily apparent that he was not identical with JAMES EARL RAY, flier number 442-A.

Set forth below is the following physical description of GAUT as obtained during interrogation and observation:

Race	White
Sex	Male
Nationality	American
Birth Data	<input type="text"/>
	Pasadena, California
Height	6'1"
Weight	195 pounds
Hair	Brown, graying
Eyes	Brown
Marital Status	Married
	Wife, BERTHA
Occupation	Independent insurance agent
Selective Service Number	<input type="text"/>
Home address	1631 Manhattan Avenue Hermosa Beach, California
Military Service	World War II Veteran

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

DATE: May 2, 1968

FROM : SA JAMES MC CAULEY

SUBJECT: MURKIN

RE: R. BUCKLEY-Look Alike

Rememo SA WILLIAM J. REHDER dated 4/30/68 concerning information from MRS. BARBARA TURNER that her mother CELEDIA FREDERICO had observed a suspect at the Carriage Inn motel. AT VAN NUYS, CALIFORNIA

The following investigation was conducted on May 1, 1968 by SA JAMES MC CAULEY.

MRS. CELEDIA FREDERICO, 10058 Willis Ave., telephone 894-3810 was interviewed where she is employed as a ~~maid~~ maid at the Carriage Inn Motel, 5525 Sepulveda Blvd. She said the man she had thought resembled the 1968 photograph of subject had stayed in Room 225 for about a week prior to several days ago. She had not observed any car. She recalled him as very polite. She advised that other photos of subject did not resemble the man, in her opinion.

TONI PUTNAM, room clerk, made available registration cards showing that Room 225 had been occupied recently on a nightly basis with different guests, except for the period of ~~MEMPHIS~~ 4/21-27/68 when it was occupied by R. BUCKLEY. On the registration card information was set forth by the guest (BUCKLEY) in hand printing, showing residence address as 10002 Des Moines Way South, Seattle, Wash. He had no car. His business connection was shown to be Boeing Co., P.O. Box 707, Renton, Wash. The original room reservation was made on 4-21-68 by MRS. STEWART, purportedly of the Boeing Co. MISS PUTNAM said that she was the one who checked BUCKLEY in, but couldn't recall him. She could suggest no one else who might have observed him except the maid.

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It is noted that CELEDIA FREDERICO did not wish to be identified as the source of original information.

Lead set forth for elimination of subject at Seattle, Wash. by teletype on 5-1-68.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

DATE: 5/3/68

FROM : SA JAMES R. PACE

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re advertisement placed in Los Angeles "Free Press" by ERIC S. GALT in January, 1968.

On 5/2/68, the writer and SA EUGENE B. MC CARTHY were assigned a lead on the MURKIN case which necessitated that the SAs go to the Los Angeles "Free Press" office at 938 N. Fairfax, Los Angeles. While at this office, conducting interviews and going through various records, it was noted that ALLEN ~~SAK~~, a current CP member and a "Free Press" photographer took a number of photos of Agents.

Inasmuch as it is quite possible that the fact that the FBI was conducting an investigation at the "Free Press" where some evidence concerning GALT was located might appear in the next publication of this paper, along with Agent's pictures, this memo is being submitted for information.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

DATE: 5/2/68

FROM : SAA JOHN M. AGNEW

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Memphis airtel to Los Angeles 4/26/68.

With regard to Los Angeles teletype to Memphis 4:52 P.M., 4/22/68, regarding a miscellaneous suspect observed in an automobile bearing Tennessee license AI 9690, reairtel states that this Tennessee license is registered to NANETTE ELLIOTT, 1960 Oldsmobile. Mrs. ELLIOTT resides at 13051 Gilbert Street, Garden Grove, California, and formerly resided at Nashville, Tennessee.

LAURA WADDELL, 13051 Gilbert Street, Apartment C-3, Garden Grove, California, advised that Mrs. ELLIOTT is a divorcee and resides in Apartment E-12 at this address with her four children. Mrs. ELLIOTT has one son, age 20, presently residing in Tennessee. Mrs. ELLIOTT is employed as a book-keeper at the Music Center in Los Angeles.

Photographs of subject JAMES EARL RAY were exhibited to WADDELL, and she stated the photograph was not familiar to her and further commented that she had not observed any male visitors at Mrs. ELLIOTT's apartment.

LEAD:

LOS ANGELES

AT LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA: Contact Mrs. NANETTE ELLIOTT at the Music Center and determine who was driving the 1960 Oldsmobile and thereafter attempt to eliminate as a suspect.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

FROM : SA G. J. MOOREHEAD

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 5/3/68

Re Memo of SA JOHN M. AGNEW dated 5/2/68.

Referenced memo sets out that a look-a-like was observed driving an automobile bearing Tennessee license AI 9690. This car checked out to NANETTE ELLIOTT, 13051 Gilbert Street, Garden Grove, California, who formerly lived in Nashville, Tennessee and who was reported as working at the Music Center in Los Angeles.

On 5/2/68, SA's G. J. MOOREHEAD and ALBERT N. CARLBLOM interviewed NANETTE ELLIOTT and were advised as follows:

Mrs. ELLIOTT resides Apartment B-12 at the listed residence, telephone number (714) 636-3626, B-12, and is an accountant with the Music Center Operating Company, 135 North Grand, Los Angeles, California, telephone number 626-5781.

She said that she has loaned her automobile to her brother, LOUIS POULIN, 2354 - 250th Street, Lomita, California, approximately 3/15/68. POULIN is a dockman at the "Herald-Examiner", Los Angeles, California.

After reviewing photographs of RAY, Mrs. ELLIOTT stated that on a very quick look it is conceivable that her brother would resemble RAY.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC LOS ANGELES 44-1574

DATE: 5/2/68

FROM : SA RICHARD H. ROSS

SUBJECT: MURKIN

RE FD 71 received 5/1/68 by Philip S. Andrist from ANTOINETTE
ISAAC

ON 5/1/68

ANTOINETTE ISAAC was interviewed at the Playboy Club, 8560 Sunset Blvd., Hollywood, Calif. by SA's Richard H. Ross and David R. Pender. ISAAC advised that her home address is 1010 N. Madison, Hollywood. She advised that she observed an individual on 4/30/68 about 10:30PM at 1010 N. Madison, an apartment building, who appeared similar to JAMES EARL RAY.

She advised that the individual knocked at the front door of the apartment building and requested to be let in. She advised that the door is locked at 10:00 pm and only residents with keys can get in. ISAAC advised that since her apartment is near the front door she heard the person calling out and knocking. She advised that she let the person in because he said that he had just moved in and left his key in his apartment. ISAAC advised that this was when she noted the similarity of the individual to RAY.

She described the individual as follows.

W/M, 5'10", reddish hair (crew cut), square face, ruddy complexion, very broad shoulders, wearing dark suit, dark socks carrying suit case and shaving kit.

ISAAC observed photos of RAY and advised that after seeing photograph she was doubtful of similarity of the unknown individual, to RAY.

ON 5/1/68, Mrs. RUTH MARILYN SMITH, MANAGER, 1010 N. Madison advised that ANTOINETTE ISAAC resided at the apartments. SMITH advised that ISAAC was very imaginative and made numerous complaints while living in building. She advised that the individual ISAAC described is the husband of Carline Van Horne, a resident of the apartment. She advised that Mr. Van Horne had recently joined his wife, in that he had returned from Europe where he had been in the Service. Mrs. SMITH observed photos of JAMES EARL RAY and advised they were not identical to Van Horne.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)(P)

DATE: 5/2/68

FROM : SA GEORGE E. AIKEN, JR.

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re memo of SA JAMES M. KELLOGG, dated 4/22/68 at Los Angeles.

Mr. LAWRENCE ALLEN, 14052 McClure Avenue, Paramount, California was interviewed by the writer and SA E. RHEAD RICHARDS on 4/30/68, at which time he advised as follows:

He stated that on 4/14/68 he picked up a hitch hiker in Tucumcari, New Mexico, and brought him to the Los Angeles Area, arriving in Los Angeles on 4/15/68.

He described the hitch hiker as a white male, 5'8"-5'9" in height, weighing 170 lbs. He stated that the hitch hiker had brown wavy hair, which was worn long. He was wearing wash and wear slacks. The hitch-hiker advised him that his automobile experienced mechanical difficulty in Tucumcari, and that he had to hitch hike to Los Angeles where he expected to find a job. ALLEN stated that he let the hitch hiker out of his car in the Lancaster area, and the man purchased a bus ticket to Los Angeles at the Greyhound bus station.

Allen described the hitch hiker as a personable sort of person, who was an easy conversationalist. He told ALLEN that he at one time was in the U.S. Army, stationed in Germany. He had a card board box in his possession that contained his changes of clothing. He also gave ALLEN approximately 30 rounds of 30-30 ammunition.

The ammunition was examined and found to be armor piercing ammunition, with a black USA color code. He also gave ALLEN several M-1 rifle clips.

ALLEN stated that he obtained some 8 mm movie photos of the hitch hiker. He was shown photos of JAMES EARL RAY, and advised that he did not believe that the hitch hiker was identical with him. He was given a photograph of RAY to compare with the hitch hiker's photo, when the film was processed. ALLEN stated that he would call the writer if the photos he made appeared to be similar with RAY.

In view of the above, it not felt that the hitch hiker was in fact RAY. It is recommended that no further investigation be conducted in this phase of the MURKIN matter

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574) (P)

DATE: 5/1/68

FROM : SA GEORGE E. AIKEN, JR.

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re memo of SA LOWELL S. LAWRENCE, dated 4/20/68 at Los Angeles

On 4/29/68, VIC SHELTERS, Truck Salesman, Mack Trucks Incorporated, was interviewed by the writer at his place of employment, 2001 South Alameda, Los Angeles, California.

SHELTERS stated that on 4/19/68, during the early evening hours, possibly 6:00 PM he picked up a hitch hiker in the Newhall area on Old Balboa Road. He stated that he let the hitch hiker out at the Castaig Junction on the Bakersfield Highway.

While riding with the hitch hiker he was told by the hitch hiker that he was going to Coffeerville, state unknown, and that he was a "jack of all trades". He described the hitch hiker as a white male, 150-160 lbs, blond hair, wearing old clothing.

SHELTERS was shown photographs of JAMES EARL GALT, at which time he advised that he did not appear to be identical with the hitch hiker above described that he picked up on the evening of 4/19/68.

SHELTERS stated that the only reason that he contacted the FBI in this matter was that he felt at the time that there were inconsistencies in the hitch hikers story, and in view of the ~~recent~~ recent death of MARTIN LUTHER KING' thaught that there might possibly be a connection with RAY and the hitch hiker.

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

Indices: Negative See below

Subject's name and aliases DONNA MOREHOUSE			Address of subject 17417 Van Owen Van Nuys			Character of case MURKIN		
Complainant Mrs. Sidney Horowitz			Complainant's address and telephone number 16946 Burbank Blvd. apt 101 Encino 7897515			Complaint received <input type="checkbox"/> Personal <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Telephonic Date <u>5/4/8</u> Time <u>10.15a</u>		
Subject's Description	Race	Sex <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female	Height	Hair	Build	Birth date and Birthplace		
	Age	Weight	Eyes	Complexion				
	Scars, marks or other data							
<p>Facts of complaint Compl. stated that at approx. 9.55am while shopping at Dales Jr. Market at the corner of Van Owen and Balboa she saw a man whom she stated resembled pictures that she had seen in the paper of Gault. While she felt that in all probability it was not he she felt that it should be reported. He entered an old VW which was occupied by a woman. She wrote the # as GUJ689. DMV lists a 1962 VW reg. to Donna Morehouse at above address. Mrs. Horowitz and her husband will be leaving next week to visit their son in Germany.</p> <div style="text-align: right; margin-top: 20px;"> <p><i>orig & lead Morehouse</i></p> <p><i>[Signature]</i></p> <p><i>[Signature]</i></p> <p><i>[Signature]</i></p> <p>44-1574-1074</p> </div>								
<p>Action Recommended</p> <p style="text-align: center;">McDermott _____ (Agent)</p>								

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TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

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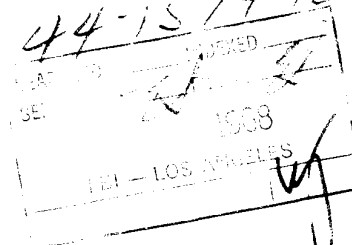
FROM : SA L. HOYT MC GUIRE

SUBJECT: MURKIN
CIVIL RIGHTS

Re complaint memo of SA WILLIAM J. MC CAULEY
dated 4/27/68. (44-1574-841)

On 5/1/68, wanted fliers and identification
orders on JAMES EARL RAY were delivered to the
Thoroughbred Racing Protection Bureau as well as to the
Inglewood Police Department Substation at the Hollywood
Park Racing Track.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

DATE: 5/2/68

FROM : SA J. CLARE WILLIAMS

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Writer contacted by SA LEMASTER who advised that he had delivered package of photos into custody of the "A" Hostess, TWA Flight 62 due to arrive Friendship Airport, Baltimore, 6:20 AM, Baltimore time.

Writer contacted Security Patrol Clerk MARQUARDT, WFO who stated he would handle. This contact made with WFO rather than Bureau per instruction HELGESON, SOG who contacted writer earlier.

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Indices: Negative See below

Subject's name and aliases MURKIN			Address of subject		Character of case	
Complainant EDGARDO & Lydia ALVAREZ			Complainant's address and telephone number 15120 FALLON AVE. NORWALK phone 863-6220		Complaint received XXXXXXX <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Telephonic Date 5-2-68 Time 10:05PM	
Subject's Description	Race white	Sex <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female	Height 5'8"	Hair dr. brown	Build Complexion	Birth date and Birthplace
	Age	Weight 160	Eyes			
	Scars, marks or other data					
Facts of complaint Complainants advise that during March, 1968 they had contact with a man who they now believe identical with man who murdered King based on pictures they saw of him in Life mag. The mans name was KEN C. BROWN and he operated a Photo Mat Shop at 7601 Rhine Dr., Huntington Beach, phone # 847-2442. Brown reportedly left town the last wed. in March and has not returned. <i>[Handwritten notes and signatures in this section]</i>						
Action Recommended						
_____ (Agent)						

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Subject's name and aliases MURKIN		Address of subject		Character of case		
Complainant RUSS BROUSSARD		Complainant's address and telephone number		Complaint received <input type="checkbox"/> Personal <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Telephonic Date <u>5-2-68</u> Time <u>7:10PM</u>		
Subject's Description	Race white	Sex <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female	Height 5'10"	Hair dark	Build	Birth date and Birthplace
	Age		Weight 160-165	Eyes unknown	Complexion	
	Scars, marks or other data hook nose					
<p>Facts of complaint</p> <p>COMPLAINANT ADVISED THAT HE IS AT THE RED COACH COCKTAIL LOUNGE, WHITSET & RIVERSIDE DRIVE, NORTH HOLLYWOOD. THERE IS A MAN IN THE BAR WHO RESEMBLES THE PICTURE HE HAS SEEN IN THE PAPER OF KING'S MURDERER. THIS MAN WAS JOINED BY A TALL RED HAired WOMAN WHO DROVE UP IN 65 MUSTANG BEARING CALIFORNIA PLATES ROE 880 (ROE 880).</p> <p>DMV shows ROE 880 to be a 1965 Mustang registered to Dick Mohan, 16848 Hiawatha, Granada Hills.</p> <p>Supervisor Nolan advised and SRA McCauldy</p>						
Action Recommended DEAN E. KEIL <hr/> (Agent)				<p>44-1574-1078</p> <p>SEARCHED _____ INDEXED <i>dym</i></p> <p>SERIALIZED <i>J</i> FILED <i>J</i></p> <p>1968</p> <p>FBI - LOS ANGELES</p> <p><i>McCauldy</i></p> <p><i>Murphy</i></p>		

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AIR MAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM: SAC, LOUISVILLE (44-847) (P)

SUBJECT: MURKIN
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OO: Memphis

Re Los Angeles tel to Director, 4-30-68.

RE TELEPHONE BOOTHS, ST. FRANCIS HOTEL, LOS ANGELES

Referenced teletype set forth long-distance telephone calls made from telephone booths at the St. Francis Hotel, Los Angeles, California. One call placed on 1-12-68 at 9:12 p.m. was made to telephone number 323-2728 at Sturgis, Ky.

On 4-30-68, Mrs. VERA D. COOK, 802 Washington St., Sturgis, Ky., advised SA THEODORE L. RISLEY that her telephone number in Sturgis is 323-2728. Mrs. COOK is a very elderly woman being approximately 80 years of age and resides alone.

Mrs. COOK advised that she does not recall having received any telephone call from anyone which consisted from the St. Francis Hotel, Los Angeles, California, on 1-12-68. She advised that she has a son, ALFRED F. COOK, JR., who is a white male, age 44, who resides somewhere in the Los Angeles, Calif. area. She stated the last time she talked to her son was at Thanksgiving, 1967, at which time the telephone call was from Covina, California. She stated that she recalls that some time

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in the past four or five months she received a collect call, long-distance, from some unidentified person from somewhere in California. Mrs. COOK stated she did not accept this call inasmuch as she did not recognize the voice of the caller and did not recognize the name furnished by the operator. She stated that she did know that the voice of the caller was not that of her son, and she therefore refused to accept the call. Mrs. COOK stated that her son formerly resided in Granada Hills, Calif. several years ago. He is divorced from his former wife BETTY, and BETTY is now remarried, name and place of residence unknown.

Mrs. COOK and her son, JAMES F. COOK, 1413 SE Riverside Dr., Evansville, Ind., who also happened to be present, both advised that they do not know where ALONZO F. COOK, JR. is residing nor where he is employed. They both stated that they have no way of contacting him and the only contact they have is when he occasionally calls Mrs. COOK.

Mrs. COOK advised that she does not know JAMES EARL RAY nor anyone by the name of ERIC STARVO GALT and knows of no way that anyone could have her telephone number in Calif. other than her son. She stated that it was possible that the person placing the call which she did not accept may have been placing the call for her son. She noted that her son when she last talked to him stated he had no permanent residence and was traveling and lived at various hotels.

LEADS:

LOS ANGELES

AT LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

Will check registration records of the St. Francis Hotel to determine if ALONZO F. COOK, JR., aka A. F. Cook, was registered at the St. Francis Hotel on 1-12-68.

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MEMPHIS

AT MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE

Will advise Los Angeles whether further investigation is desired in an attempt to locate ALONZO P. COOK, JR. for interview to determine whether or not he attempted to call his mother on 1-22-68 from the St. Francis Hotel, Los Angeles, California.

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1:50 PM URGENT 5-3-68 MPB

TO: DIRECTOR (44-38861), DALLAS (44-2649), AND LOS ANGELES
(44-1574)

FROM: PHOENIX (44-371) 4P

MURKIN

RE LOS ANGELES TEL MAY ONE LAST, AND DALLAS TEL MAY
TWO, LAST.

RE TELEPHONE BOOTH ST. FRANCIS HOTEL.

HARRY ELWOOD LUNSFORD, AKA WOODY, AGE FIFTYFOUR, PRESENTLY
RESIDING WITH SISTER, MRS. JOHN MEEDLES, THREE SEVEN ZERO NINE
YALE STREET, PHOENIX, ARIZONA, ADVISED HE LIVED AT ST. FRANCIS
HOTEL, LOS ANGELES, ROOM THREE THREE SIX, FOUR ZERO EIGHT OR
FOUR ZERO NINE, FROM APPROXIMATELY AUGUST , SIXTYSIX TO AUGUST
SIXTYSEVEN, AND DID PART TIME MAINTENANCE WORK AT HOTEL DURING
THIS TIME. AFTER THIS TIME HE LIVED AT OTHER HOTELS IN GENERAL
AREA INCLUDING ROXIE, WANDA APTS., AND MR. FRANK L. BUTTERLY'S
RESIDENCE , FIVE FOUR FIVE THREE CARLTON, LOS ANGELES.

LUNSFORD ADVISED HE SPENT FALL OF SIXTYSEVEN UNTIL
DECEMBER AT YALE STREET RESEDENCE IN PHOENIX AS WELL AS
LAST THREE WEEKS IN FEBRUARY , LAST, AND SINCE MARCH FIFTEEN,

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LAST TO PRESENT. LUNSFORD ADVISED THAT WHEN HE HAS NOT BEEN IN PHOENIX OR VISITING RELATIVES IN TEXAS, HE HUNG OUT AT ST. FRANCIS HOTEL EVEN THOUGH HE WAS LIVING AT OTHER HOTELS IN THE AREA.

LUNSFORD ADVISED IN FEBRUARY, LAST, HE AUTOED TO HIS SISTER'S RESIDENCE, THREE SEVEN ZERO NINE YALE STREET, PHOENIX WITH A BOB THORIN (PH), WHITE MALE, APPROXIMATELY FORTY, SHORT, WHO IS NOT SUBJECT RAY. LUNSFORD VIEWED NUMEROUS PHOTOS OF RAY WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

LUNSFORD STATED THAT NAME OF GALT IS FAMILIAR TO HIM AND HE BELIEVES THIS IS WHITE MALE, AGE FORTY TO FORTYFIVE, FIVE FEET TEN, HUNDRED NINETY POUNDS, WAVY BLACK HAIR, WITH SPANISH OR ITALIAN ACCENT, WHO SMOKES CIGARS, WHO WAS ASSISTANT MANAGER AT ST. FRANCIS HOTEL ABOUT THREE WEEKS IN DECEMBER, SIXTYSEVEN, UNTIL FIRED BY BERT DAVIDSON, GENERAL MANAGER OF HOTEL. HE ADVISED THIS ASSISTANT MANAGER HAD ASSOCIATE NAMED DAVE (LNU), A ST. FRANCIS HOUSEMAN, WHO WAS FIRED AT THE SAME TIME AS THIS ASSISTANT MANAGER FOR BREAKING AND ENTERING THE HOTEL ROOMS.

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LUNSFORD ADVISED THE ASSISTANT MANAGER HAD APARTMENT EIGHT OF THE HOTEL WHICH HE SHARED WITH AN UNMARRIED WOMAN, NO FURTHER DESCRIPTION.

LUNSFORD ADVISED THE FOLLOWING PERSONS WOULD BE FAMILIAR WITH RESIDENTS OF THE HOTEL:

BOB (LNU), RESIDENT OF THE HOTEL TWO YEARS, HOTEL ROOM FOUR ONE FIVE OR FIVE ONE FIVE.

UNKNOWN CRIPPLED MAN WHO HAS LIVED AT HOTEL ABOUT FIFTEEN YEARS.

✓ JOE PETERS, ST. FRANCIS ROOM ONE ZERO ONE, ALLEGEDLY KNOWS ABOUT GAMBLING AND PROSTITUTES AT HOTEL.

GIL (LNU), OWNER SULTAN ROOM BAR, ST. FRANCIS HOTEL.

ANN SHELL (PH) AND BOB DUCE (PH), OWNERS OF NEW ANGELINA BAR, ONE SIX FIVE SEVEN WESTERN STREET, LOS ANGELES.

"MURF", OWNER OF PAMPERED PUP, CAFE LOCATED AT REAR OF ST. FRANCIS HOTEL, WHO ALLEGEDLY IS A FENCE.

NO LEADS BEING SET OUT FOR LOS ANGELES TO INTERVIEW ABOVE NAMED PEOPLE SINCE PHOENIX DOES NOT KNOW EXTENT OF INVESTIGATION CONDUCTED BY LOS ANGELES AT ST. FRANCIS HOTEL.

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LUNSFORD STATED WHILE HE WAS RESIDING WITH MR. FRANK
L. BUTTERLY, HE MADE A LONG DISTANCE CAL TO HIS DAUGHTER
AT FORT WORTH, TEXAS.

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MEMPHIS ADVISED AIRMAIL.

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Via TELETYPE URGENT
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
SAC, DALLAS
FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

MURKIN.

RE DALLAS TEL, MAY ONE LAST; AND PHONE CALLS BY SUBJECT
EN ROUTE LOS ANGELES TO NEW ORLEANS.

CALLS MADE FROM SANDERSON, TEXAS.

CALL TO FOUR NINE TWO DASH SEVEN THREE NINE SEVEN
WAS TO MRS. JON C. MANSUR, SAN CLEMENTE, CALIFORNIA, ON
DECEMBER SIXTEEN LAST FROM UNCLE RAYMOND WILKINSON,
SAN ANTONIO, RELATIVE TO CANCELLATION OF VISIT TO MANSUR.

CALL TO SEVEN THREE FOUR DASH SEVEN FOUR ZERO EIGHT
FROM VIRGIE COLLINS, LOS ANGELES TO ANNIE BARR, SANDERSON,
TEXAS, ON DECEMBER SEVENTEEN LAST.

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Special Agent in Charge

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CALL TO FIVE TWO NINE DASH ZERO ONE THREE THREE REPEAT
CALL COVERED IN LOS ANGELES TEL, MAY TWO LAST.

CALL TO FIVE TWO NINE DASH ZERO FOUR FOUR FOUR IS LISTED
TO ROBERT BARRERA, MEMBER OF FAMILY COVERED IN LOS ANGELES
TEL, MAY TWO LAST.

CALL TO NINE EIGHT FOUR DASH ONE FIVE NINE SIX WAS
TO MRS. RUBEN ACOSTA, ONTARIO, CALIFORNIA, FROM MOTHER
AMELIA TEYVA, ALPINE, TEXAS, ON DECEMBER SEVENTEEN LAST.

SUBJECT UNKNOWN TO LOS ANGELES RECIPIENTS OF CALLS.

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 SUBJECT UNKNOWN TO LOS ANGELES RECEIVERS OF CALLS.

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Via TELETYPE URGENT
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TO: DIRECTOR (44-38861), ~~CHARLOTTE~~
FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)
SUBJECT: MURKIN

~~RE CHARLOTTE TEL MAY TWO LAST.~~

RE TELEPHONE BOOTH, ST. FRANCIS HOTEL, LOS ANGELES
who called Goldsboro, NC.
EDGAR JOHN PENDLETON, RESIDENT ST. FRANCIS HOTEL,

PRESENTLY PATIENT IN ORTHOPEDIC HOSPITAL, TWO FOUR ZERO ZERO SOUTH
FLOWER STREET, LOS ANGELES AND NOT AVAILABLE FOR INTERVIEW THIS DATE.

WILLIAM FRENCH PAUL INTERVIEWED MAY THREE INSTANT STATED
HE HAS CALLED MOTHER, MRS. HENRY EDGERTON, NUMBER FIVE TWO ONE DASH
FOUR SIX EIGHT NINE AND SISTER MRS. HENRY FRENCHETIE, NUMBER THREE
EIGHT THREE DASH THREE TWO FIVE FOUR FROM LOBBY OF ST. FRANCIS HOTEL.

PAUL OBSERVED PHOTOGRAPHS OF SUBJECT AND STATED HE HAD SEEN SUBJECT
IN SULTAN ROOM OR TELEVISION ROOM OF ST. FRANCIS HOTEL. STATED HE
NEVER HAD CONVERSATION WITH SUBJECT AND KNOWS NO ONE ACQUAINTED WITH
HIM OR HIS PRESENT WHEREABOUTS.

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RE POSTAL MONEY ORDERS PURCHASED BY SUBJECT.

MONEY ORDER PURCHASED IN CANADA AUGUST NINE SIXTY
SEVEN IN AMOUNT OF ONE DOLLAR, PAYABLE TO E.Z. FORMULA,

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Approved: W. J. [Signature] Sent 10 5/10 M Per [Signature]
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HOLLYWOOD, CALIFORNIA ^{was she} FOR PURCHASE OF A PRINTED
FORMULA FOR PROCESS OF COATING GLASS FOR THE PURPOSE OF
MAKING TWO-WAY MIRROR. DETERMINED BY ~~INVESTIGATION~~ AT
BARNETT AND HERSH, SEVEN FIVE FIVE ONE MELROSE AVENUE,
LOS ANGELES. THIS FIRM MAINTAINS NO RECORDS OF ADDRESSES
TO WHICH FORMULAS SENT. MAINTAIN NO RECORDS OF SALE AND/OR
SHIPPING. INVESTIGATION DETERMINED ORDER REQUESTED BY
SUBJECT TO INCLUDE HIS CANADIAN ADDRESS HAS BEEN DESTROYED.

INVESTIGATION CONTINUES LOS ANGELES.

CHARLOTTE, MEMPHIS AND BIRMINGHAM ADVISED BY AIR MAIL.

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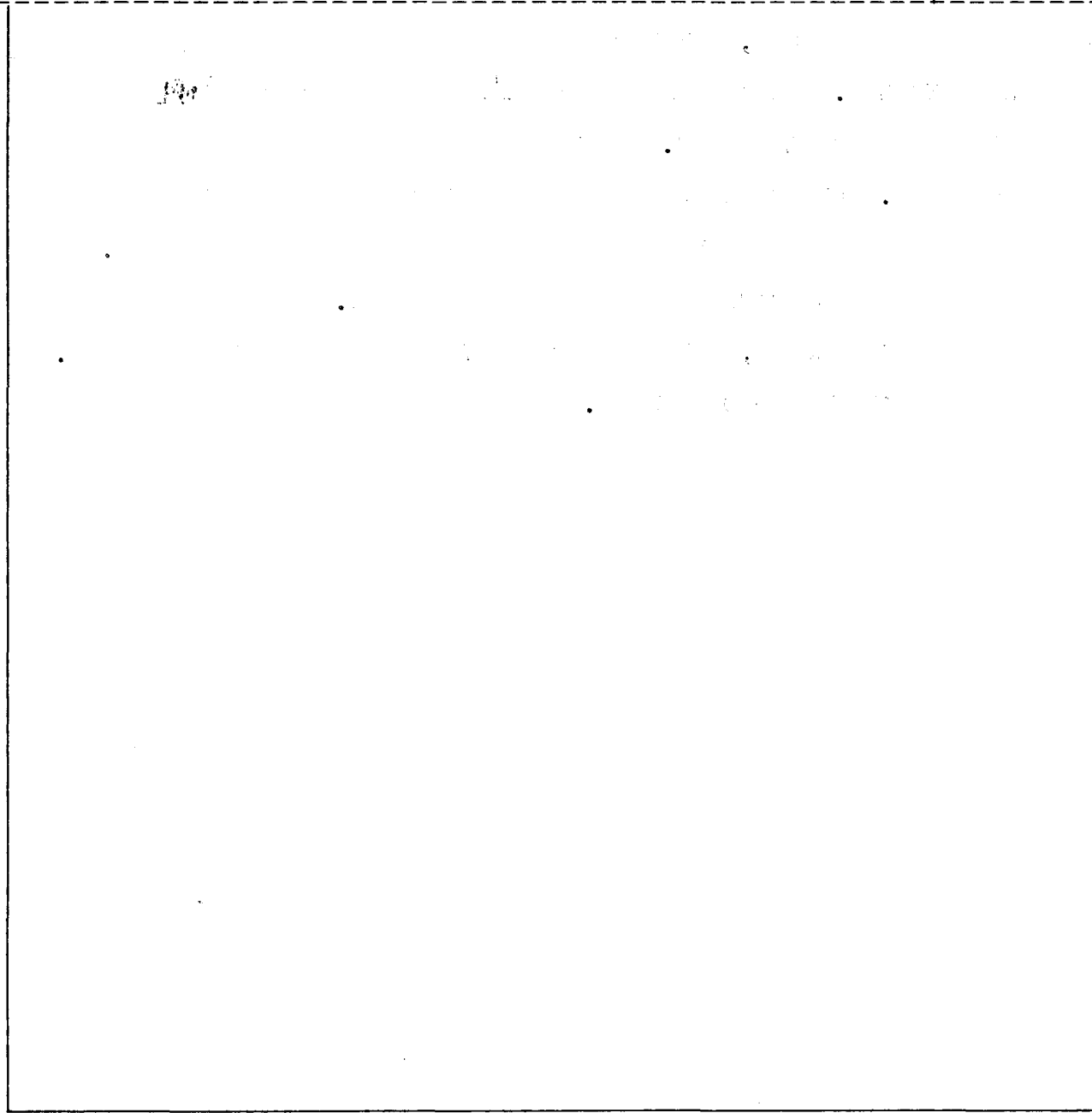
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Via TELETYPE URGENT
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TO: MIAMI
FROM: LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

MURKIN

RE BALTIMORE TEL MAY FOUR INSTANT TO LOS ANGELES AND MIAMI.

~~MACK MENDELSON~~ USED TELEPHONE BOOTH AT ST. FRANCIS HOTEL IN HOLLYWOOD DURING PERIOD SUBJECT RAY WAS RESIDING AT THAT HOTEL. MIAMI REQUESTED TO INTERVIEW MENDELSON AT MIAMI BEACH FOR ALL INFORMATION HE MIGHT HAVE CONCERNING SUBJECT JAMES E. RAY AND ADVISE LOS ANGELES.

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811 PM URGENT 5-4-68 ARK

TO DIRECTOR, MEMPHIS, BIRMINGHAM, LOS ANGELES, KANSAS CITY
FROM ATLANTA (44-2386) (P) 1P

MURKIN

SUMMARY OF INVESTIGATION MAY FOUR INSTANT.
NUMEROUS LOOK-ALIKE COMPLAINTS CONTINUE TO BE RECEIVED AND
ARE THOROUGHLY CHECKED OUT.

INTERVIEW OF TAXI DRIVERS IN CONNECTION WITH EXPANDED
TAXI CAB CHECK CONTINUING. NO PERTINENT INFORMATION RECEIVED.

EXPANDED AIRLINES CHECK CONTINUING AND NEGATIVE TO DATE.

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East Bay

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7:50 PM URGENT 5/3/68 LBN

TO DIRECTOR, MEMPHIS, BIRMINGHAM, KANSAS CITY,
OKLAHOMA CITY AND LOS ANGELES.

FROM ATLANTA (44-2386) 2P

MURKIN.

SUMMARY OF INVESTIGATION MAY THREE SIXTYEIGHT.

BILLY CHUMLEY LOCATED ATLANTA AND INTERVIEWED. COULD
FURNISH NO INFORMATION CONCERNING RAY, BUT FURNISHED INFO RE
LEWIE DOUDA, FORMER INMATE MISSOURI STATE PEN. OKLAHOMA CITY,
DISCONTINUE EFFORTS TO LOCATE CHUMLEY.

STORES HANDLING PORNOGRAPHIC LITERATURE ATLANTA AREA
CONTACTED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

JIMMY DELTON GARNER, OWNER OF ROOMING HOUSE WHERE RAY
RESIDED REINTERVIEWED. NOTHING NEW OF PERTINENCE LEARNED.
GARNER CONTINUES TO BE COOPERATIVE.

AIRLINES CHECKS CONTINUING. SEVERAL INDIVIDUALS WITH
LAST NAME RAY NOTED ON DELTA FLIGHTS ELIMINATED AS FEMALE DELTA
EMPLOYEE.

CONTACTS WITH SOURCES IN HIPPIE AREAS AND WITH SOURCES
WITH KNOWLEDGE NARCOTICS TRAFFICE CONTINUING. NEGATIVE TO DATE.
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ROOMERS AT ONE ZERO SEVEN AND ONE THIRTEEN FOURTEENTH STREET NE ARE BEING REINTERVIEWED. NO PERTINENT INFORMATION OBTAINED.

SEVERAL LOOK ALIKES BEING THOROUGHLY CHECKED OUT. ATLANTA CONTINUES TO RECEIVE NUMEROUS COMPLAINTS OF LOOK ALIKES.

SAFETY DEPOSIT CUSTOMERS AT TENTH STREET C & S BANK, THE ONLY BANK IN AREA OF RAY'S RESIDENCE HAVING SAFETY DEPOSIT BOXES, CHECKED FOR ALL CUSTOMERS ENTERING SAFETY DEPOSIT VAULT APRIL FIVE ALD TWELVE LAST. SEVERAL BEING FURTHER CHECKED OUT. NEGATIVE TO DATE.

EXPANDED CAB CHECK CONTINUING. TRIP SHEETS HAVE BEEN REVIEWED AND PERTINENT DRIVERS BEING INTERVIEWED. NO PERTINENT INFORMATION OBTAINED TO DATE.

CONTACTS OF INDIVIDUALS ADVERTISING CARS FOR SALE IN CLASSIFIED COMPLETED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

KANSAS CITY REQUESTED TO ADVISE ATLANTA OF IDENTITIES RELEASEES MISSOURI STATE PEN FROM ATLANTA AREA OR DESIGNATED ATLANTA AREA AS PLACE THEY WERE GOING FOLLOWING RELEASE.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, Los Angeles

FROM : SAC, New Orleans (157-10673)(P)

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 5/1/68

RE CHARLES STEIN
New Orleans Police Reports

Re New Orleans teletype to the Director and Los Angeles 5/1/68.

Enclosed for Los Angeles are four Xerox copies of New Orleans Police Department reports re arrests of CHARLES STEIN.

On 4/30/68 Mrs. BARBARA COLLINS, Clerk, Records Room, New Orleans Police Department, provided copies of New Orleans PD Items numbered J-10199-55, G-6524-61, D-5829-62 and B-8555-63.

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TO: SAC, LAS VEGAS
FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)(P)
SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Legat, Mexico City airtel to Los Angeles,
dated 4/23/68.

Enclosed for the Las Vegas Division is one copy
of referenced airtel and one photograph of JAMES EARL RAY,
aka.

On 5/3/68, Mrs. JOSEPHINE VARELA, 3022 East Fifth
Street, Los Angeles, California, advised that her daughter,
CONSUELO MARIN now resides at 2533 Lenna Street, Las Vegas,
Nevada and she (Mrs. VARELA) and her daughter made a trip
together to Mexico in about October, 1967. Mrs. VARELA
said that she and her daughter did stay at the Hotel Rio,
Puerto Vallarta, Mexico, for two days during the later part
of 1967, dates not recalled. Mrs. VARELA viewed a photo-
graph of JAMES EARL RAY, aka, but did not recognize the
photograph as that of anyone she had seen at the Hotel Rio,
and she stated she had no knowledge concerning RAY. Mrs.
VARELA said her daughter will leave Las Vegas for Los Angeles
on 5/12/68 but can be contacted at the above address at
Las Vegas prior to that date.

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LAS VEGAS

AT LAS VEGAS, NEVADA: Will interview CONSUELO
MARIN, 2533 Lenna Street, exhibit enclosed photograph of

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RAY to her and determine if she has knowledge concerning JAMES EARL RAY, aka who resided at the Hotel Rio, Puerto Valera, Mexico, under the name ERIC STARVO GALT from 10/19/67 - 11/6/67, during which time MARIN stayed at the hotel with her mother for two days.

SUBJECT CONSIDERED ARMED AND EXTREMELY DANGEROUS.

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