

LA 44-1574

NEW ORLEANS

AT NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA: Is requested to obtain photograph of MARIE MARTIN from the New Orleans Police Department and send copies of them to the Bureau for dissemination to Legat, Ottawa, Canada, so as to determine whether MARTIN is identical to one of the two women who visited RAY in Montreal.

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Date: 5/10/68

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TO: SAC, ST. LOUIS (44-775)
FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)
SUBJECT: MURKIN

REURTEL 5/9/68

RE ITINERARY OF RAY.

INVESTIGATION IN CAPTIONED MATTER REVEALS SUBJECT
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TO NOVEMBER SEVEN SIXTY SEVEN AND LOS ANGELES NOVEMBER
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TO: DIRECTOR (44-38861), MEMPHIS, PHOENIX, ~~NEW ORLEANS~~,
~~EL PASO, Birmingham~~
 FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)
 SUBJECT: MURKIN

RE FUTURA BOOKS INC, AND CANADIAN MONEY ORDER;
~~LORRAINE MARTIN~~, FUTURA BOOKS, INC., TORRANCE,
 CALIFORNIA ~~FURNISHED~~ ^{located} ~~VERON~~ COPY OF ORDER BLANK RECEIVED
 BY THIS CONCERN FROM ERIC S. GALT, TWO FIVE EIGHT FOUR
 NOTRE DAME EST, MONTREAL, CANADA ON JULY TWENTY SIX,
 SIXTY SEVEN. ORDER WAS FOR THREE BOOKS ENTITLED QUOTE
 SEXUAL ANATOMY END QUOTE, QUOTE UNUSUAL FEMALE SEX
 PRACTICES END QUOTE AND QUOTE SEX FEELING IN MEN AND
 WOMEN END QUOTE. EACH BOOK PRICED AT THREE DOLLARS.
 GALT ALSO REQUESTED FREE ILLUSTRATED CATALOG. APPLICATION
 SYMBOL REVEALED ORDER BLANK TAKEN FROM AD PLACED IN QUOTE
 MEN'S REAL ADVENTURE END QUOTE MAGAZINE. ORDER FILLED AND
 SENT GALT AT CANADIAN ADDRESS ON JULY TWENTY SIX SIXTY SEVEN.

Ad taken by Galt in Free Press, ~~and~~ The Local Swinger
 RE ~~QUOTE THE ADVERTISING COPY~~

U.S. POSTAL INSPECTOR, LOS ANGELES FURNISHED
 POSTAL FORM ONE FIVE EIGHT THREE EXECUTED ^{by} ERIC S. GALT,
 ON FEBRUARY ONE SIXTY EIGHT DESIGNATING C.M. HEDGPETH,
 ALHAMBRA, CALIFORNIA AS RECEIVING AGENT FOR MAIL ADDRESSED

Approved: [Signature]
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TO ERIC S. GALT, ERIC S. OR E.S.G., FOUR ZERO SIX SOUTH
SECOND STREET, ALHAMBRA. FORM SUBMITTED TO FBI LAB
FOR EXAMINATION TODAY.

RE EATING PLACES

DON M. MURPHY, OWNER QUOTE PAMPERED PUP END QUOTE
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RE ST. FRANCIS HOTEL

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COMING AT THE ST. FRANCIS END QUOTE AND THEN HUNG UP.

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PHOENIX DETERMINE FEASIBILITY OF DETERMINING IDENTITY OF

Via _____

CALLER. ^(Priority) CONSIDER POSSIBILITY OF WOODY LANE MAKING CALL.

NEIGHBORHOOD OF ST. FRANCIS HOTEL

CONTACT WITH ~~NUMEROUS~~ BARTENDERS VICINITY OF ST. FRANCIS HOTEL ESTABLISH RAY, ALTHOUGH NOT NOTICEABLY IN POSSESSION OF LARGE AMOUNTS OF MONEY, ALWAYS SEEMED TO HAVE SUFFICIENT FUNDS. CONTACTS WITH INDIVIDUALS AND INFORMANTS HAVING KNOWLEDGE OF NARCOTICS, PROSTITUTION, BOOKMAKING, GAMBLING IN AND ABOUT THE VICINITY OF HOLLYWOOD AND WESTERN ^{Area} HAVE NOT ESTABLISHED RAY TO HAVE BEEN ENGAGED IN ANY OF THESE ACTIVITIES AS A SOURCE OF FUNDS.

RE PHONE CALLS BETWEEN LOS ANGELES AND NEW ORLEANS.

ARNOLD P. THOMAS, JR., ONE FIVE ZERO EAST ONE ONE SIX PLACE, LOS ANGELES, LOCATED AND INTERVIEWED THIS DATE. THOMAS ADVISED WHILE EN ROUTE TO NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA, FOR BURIAL OF BROTHER, LESTER THOMAS, HE ENCOUNTERED SNOW STORMS ON MOST OF ROUTE FROM LOS ANGELES TO NEW ORLEANS. THOMAS

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ANDREWS, THOMAS, JR., ONE FIVE SEVEN SIX TWO ONE ONE
ST. FRANCIS HOTEL, LOCATED AND IDENTIFIED THIS PERSON
WHOSE ADDRESS WILL BE GIVEN TO NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA
FOR PURPOSE OF SEARCHING, LOCAL FILES, RE ESTABLISHED RAY
THAT HE WAS IN LOS ANGELES FROM LOS ANGELES TO NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA

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ADVISED HIS WIFE MADE TELEPHONE CALLS TO THE RESIDENCE OF HIS PARENTS WHO RESIDE IN NEW ORLEANS, TELEPHONE NUMBER TWO ~~EIGHT~~ TWO SEVEN FIVE NINE ONE, FROM TUCSON, ARIZONA AND EL PASO, TEXAS. THE CALL FROM EL PASO, TEXAS TO THE BEST OF MR. THOMAS' RECOLLECTION, WAS MADE ON ~~THIRTEEN~~SIXTEEN LAST FROM A PAY TELEPHONE BOOTH LOCATED NEAR MC DONALD HAMBURGER STAND.

PHOTOGRAPHS OF JAMES EARL RAY EXHIBITED TO ARNOLD P. THOMAS, JR., WHO ADVISED HE WAS NOT ACQUAINTED WITH THE INDIVIDUAL DEPICTED IN THE PHOTOGRAPHS AND TO THE BEST OF HIS KNOWLEDGE HAS NEVER SEEN THIS INDIVIDUAL ON ANY PREVIOUS OCCASIONS.

INVESTIGATION CONTINUES AT LOS ANGELES.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

Also make copies to New Orleans and ~~10~~ EL Paso.

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Date: 5/10/68

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TO: Director &
SAC, WASHINGTON FIELD

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

MURKIN, OO: MEMPHIS.

RECORDS, JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY, REVIEWED FOR YEARS SIXTY-SEVEN AND SIXTYEIGHT. NEGATIVE RE ANY CONTACT, PERSONAL OR BY CORRESPONDENCE, FROM ERIC S. GALT. HEAD OF SOCIETY OUT OF STATE AND WILL RETURN MAY THIRTEEN NEXT AT WHICH TIME HE WILL BE INTERVIEWED. NO PRIOR INVESTIGATION CONDUCTED AT BIRCH SOCIETY IN THIS MATTER.

LOS ANGELES IN POSSESSION OF NO ADDITIONAL INFORMATION RE AMERICAN DASH SOUTHERN AFRICA COUNCIL OTHER THAN FURNISHED BY WASHINGTON FIELD IN LETTERS DATED AUGUST TWENTYSIX, SIXTYSIX AND MARCH THIRTY, SIXTYSEVEN, WASHINGTON FIELD FILE ONE ZERO FIVE DASH SEVEN ONE SIX ONE EIGHT.

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TO: SAC, WASHINGTON FIELD

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

DATE: 5/10/68

FROM : SA J. CLARE WILLIAMS

SUBJECT: MURKIN
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Writer received call on above date from person who identified self as JOHN EVANS, 3715 West 117th St., Hawthorne, tel. 675-1637, who advised that he had works at the Electro Metal Fabricators Co., El Segundo Blvd. and that he ate lunch today while sitting beside man who believes looks like JAMES EARL RAY very much. Stated that he determined that man works in plant next door to his (EVANS), the International Coating Co., 1441 El Segundo Blvd., Torrance area. Stated does not know mans name. *Evans*

EVANS repeated that he carries a photo of RAY around with him and immediately after observing this person, compared him with the photo and believes there is a very strong resemblance.

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J. Nelson
Kerry Brade
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The following investigation was conducted by
IC WILLIAM C. MC DONALD:

AT JEFFERSON CITY, MISSOURI

On May 6, 1968, Missouri State Penitentiary (MSP) records were checked for information on inmates released with California addresses since April 1, 1967. The following information was obtained:

DAVID DON MCFARLIN, MSP #12241, was received June 10, 1966 and discharged October 24, 1967.

Relatives listed on his mailing list are:

Wife: JUDITH LEA MCFARLIN, 8111 Stanford Drive, Garden Grove, California;
Mother: CHRISTINE DAVIS, Senath, Missouri;
Stepfather: O.L. DAVIS, same address.
MARIE and JOHN SLAUGHTER, 2333 Park Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri.

MICHAEL P. CLARK, MSP #12155, was received at the MSP May 27, 1966, and discharged May 10, 1967.

Relatives listed in this file are:

Mother: J.L. CLEVELAND, & DOROTHY RAUCH, P.O. Box 238, Dumas, Texas, or Box 431, Cactus, Texas;
Stepfather: JAMES CLEVELAND, same address;
Girlfriend: ELIZABETH ALEXANDER, 1771 Ellwell, Milpitas, California.

CLARK indicated that he would be employed in California by BUD RAU, 445 Laurel Avenue, Hayward, California.

JIMMIE LEE HINES, aka, MSP #12765, was received October 12, 1966 and discharged March 1, 1968.

Relatives listed in this file are:

Wife: ELIZABETH ANN HILL, % 72- East Compton Blvd., Compton, California;
Father: BILL HILL, General Delivery, DeWitt, Arkansas.

Records reflects that on March 5, 1968, HILL was incarcerated in the Correctional Training Facility, North Soledad, California, #93960.

Cg 4 GALE FRANKLIN FISHER, MSP #03439, was received September 18, 1961 and discharged July 3, 1967.

Relatives listed in this file are:

Mother: MARVEL FISHER, 3185th Street, Aurora, Illinois;
Sister: CAROL SMITH, 272 Beach Street, Aurora, Illinois;
Sister: SHIRLEY FOREMAN, RFD #1, Box 107, Plainfield, Illinois.

5 JOHN RAY LESTER, aka, MSP #76041, was received September 25, 1959 and paroled October 31, 1967. In California he was to live at 19250 Hickory, El Varano, California.

Relatives and friends listed are:

Mother: KUNA F. LESTER, 111 Napa Street, Sonoma, California;
Father: JOHN W. LESTER, same address;
Brother-in-law: HERB COHN, P.O. Box 808, Boyes Springs, California;
Sister: Mrs. HERB COHN, same address;
Aunt: NOLA HEAD, 2012 Franklin, Santa Rosa, California;
Brother-in-law: JAMES BARRY, Rt. 22, Box 213, Parkville, Missouri;
Friend: DONNIE RISLER, 3622 A McRee, St. Louis, Missouri;
Friend: Mrs. JOHN A. KENOE, 1822 Morris, Lincoln Park, Michigan;
Friend: Mrs. T. PINCH, 125 Taft Avenue, Hempstead, New York.

LN 6 LAWRENCE ALBERT GRIDER, MSP #10214, was received May 5, 1965 and discharged January 12, 1968.

Relatives listed are:

Wife: ROSELEE GRIDER, % PAULINE COMBS, 4676 W. 133rd Street, Hawthorne, California.
Daughter: PATSY KAY and RITA JUDY GRIDER, 1015 1/2 N. Lane, Springfield, Missouri.

CHARLES AMOS STEWART, MSP #08716, was received June 18, 1964 and discharged February 7, 1968.

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Relatives are listed:

Sister: CHERRI PICO, 1278 East 126th, Los Angeles, California;
Brother: JOSEPH M. STEWART, Herculaneum, Missouri;
Sister: NANCY STEWART, Rt. 2, Bonne Terre, Missouri.

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AIRMAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM: SAC, KANSAS CITY (44-760)

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SUBJECT: MURKIN

Enclosed herewith is additional background information obtained from the Missouri State Penitentiary (MSP) on individuals released since 4/1/67 residing in the Los Angeles area.

In view of the fact subject spent much of his time in Los Angeles under the name ERIC GALT after his escape from MSP, it is felt the following former inmates should be contacted in the event they can furnish any information regarding him. The following is a list of these individuals and their most recent address as furnished by MSP records:

See
DAVID DON MC FARLIN, MSP #12241, Garden Grove, California, paroled 3/21/67.

See
MICHAEL ERY CLARK, MSP #12155, Los Angeles, California.

See
JIMMY LEE HILL, MSP #12766, Compton, California.

See
GALT FRANKLIN FISHER, MSP #03439, Santa Ana, California.

See
JOHN LESTER, MSP #76041, Los Angeles, California.

See
LAWRENCE ALBERT GRIDER, MSP #10214, Hawthorne, California.

See
CHARLES ANDS STEWART, MSP #08716, Los Angeles, California.

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2 - Kansas City
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The list attached hereto contains more complete background information obtained from the MSP records. It is noted that all these individuals list relatives in areas other than Los Angeles and if investigation fails to locate them in the Los Angeles area, it is requested that that office set out additional leads to locate them for interview.

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

Re Kansas City airtel to Bureau dated 5/8/68.

Referenced airtel names seven former inmates of the Missouri State Penitentiary (MSP) who should be contacted to ascertain if they can furnish any information concerning subject RAY. Enclosed with referenced airtel is additional background data obtained from MSP records on 5/6/68, regarding these seven former inmates. A review of this data indicated logical inquiry to locate these individuals should begin with contact of closest relatives and/or residences in other field Office territories as follows:

MICHAEL KEY CLARK is indicated as having a girl friend, ELIZABETH ALEXANDER, residing at 1771 Ellwell, Milipitas, California. Also it is stated that CLARK indicated he would be employed by BUD RAU, 445 Laurel Avenue, Hayward, California.

Regarding JIMMIE LEE HILL, the MSP records show that on 3/5/68, HILL was incarcerated at North Soledad, California.

Regarding JOHN RAY LESTER, he stated he would live at 19250 Hickory, El Verano, California, and his mother is listed as EUNA K. LESTER, 111 Napa Street, Sonoma, California.

San Francisco should attempt to locate each of the above individuals.

- 3 - Bureau
- 2 - Chicago (Encl 1)
- 1 - Kansas City (Info) (44-760)
- 1 - Memphis (Info)
- 2 - San Francisco (Encl 1)
- ② - Los Angeles

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GALE FRANKLIN FISHER, listed the following relatives, all residing in the State of Illinois:

Mother	MARVEL FISHER 31 85th Street Aurora, Illinois
Sister	CAROL SMITH 272 Beach Street Aurora, Illinois
Sister	SHIRLEY FOREMAN RFD 1 Box 107 Plainfield, Illinois

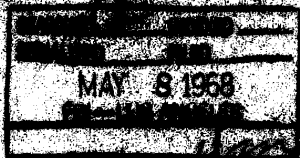
The Chicago Division should attempt to locate FISHER.

The Los Angeles Division will insitut~~e~~ investigation to locate the remaining three former inmates.

For information of Chicago and San Francisco a copy of referenced airtel with enclosure are attached.

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Los Angeles

Gentlemen:

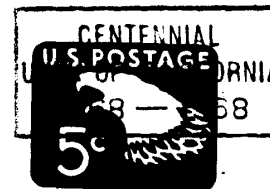
You might find your Boy
ERIC GALT at 1629 So. Spaulding L.A.
HE hangs out at some Bars near
6th & Union.

He Lives sometimes with some
Boys named Stromkist at 1629.
~~He~~ This guy always carries
a Carrot.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (44- 1574)

DATE: 5/10/68

FROM : SA SAMUEL W. NORTH, JR.

SUBJECT: MURKIN

On 5/8/68, this Office received an anonymous letter which is set forth verbatim as follows:

"You might find your boy Eric Galt at 1629 So. Spaulding L. A.

He hangs out at some bars near 6th & Union.

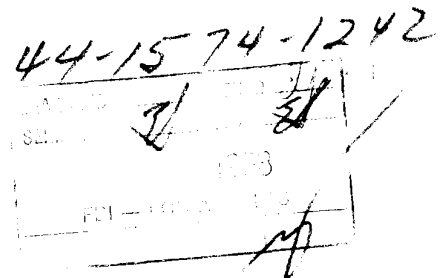
He lives sometimes with some boys named Stromkist at 1629.

This guy always carries a carron."

The following investigation was conducted by SA J. CHARLES MERRIMAN and the writer:

On 5/9/68, RONALD SOLK, 1633 South Spaulding Avenue, Los Angeles, California, advised that a negro male and a white female had resided at 1629 South Spaulding Avenue, Los Angeles, until only a week or so ago. SOLK further advised that they had been asked to move by the landlady because there were so many "comings and goings" during the nights. SOLK stated he only saw one white man at 1629 during the residence there of the mixed couple. He could not identify a photograph of JAMES EARL RAY as being identical with that white man explaining he had only caught a glimpse of the white man.

On 5/9/68, VICTORIA CONTRERAS, 1623 South Spaulding Avenue, Los Angeles, advised that ALFRED and SHERIE JACKSON, who claimed to be man and wife, moved into 1629, 3/1/68, and moved out at her, MRS. CONTRERAS', request, 5/1/68. MRS. CONTRERAS stated she asked the JACKSONs to move because she could not put up with numerous nighttime guests of the JACKSON's. The guests, according to MRS. CONTRERAS, were both noisy and ~~obnoxious~~ obnoxious. MRS. CONTRERAS said that, while the guests were predominately male negroes, they were all young being about 19 or 20 years old. She stated that,



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during the first 13 days of April, 1968, a white male was staying with the JACKSONs. That guest stayed with the JACKSONs at night but his old Off colored white car would be gone during the day. Mrs. CONTRERAS described that guest as white, male, 24 to 25 years at the most, 5'5" to 5'7", broad shoulders. She was unable to identify a photograph of RAY as that guest. MRS. CONTRERAS said the name of STROMKIST was unknown to her. No forwarding address was left by the JACKSONs, however, according to MRS. CONTRERAS, ALFRED JACKSON was then employed by Norris Ind., 588 7111. The JACKSONs formerly resided at 5837 Venice Boulevard, S. W. WORKINGS, landlord. ALFRED's social security number is [REDACTED] SHERRE's social security number is [REDACTED] [REDACTED] ALFRED's driver's license number is R 637019.

On 5/10/68, the following were exhibited photographs of RAY and all stated they could not recall seeing a person resembling him in their establishment:

West Sixth Street, Los Angeles, California:
1546, The Shanty, BOB HOLSTEIN, Bartender
1554, Reliable Liquor-Wine, MICHAEL MARICH, Clerk
1600, Mirror Room, DANIEL CHULLA, Secy-Treas.
1607, The Loma, KERRI KING, Bartender
1611, The Tavern, MRS. VERA WEISOLY, Owner, and
BETTY DUNLAP, Barmaid
1615, Dugan's, LOWELL RICHCREEK, Bartender
1623, Annex Liquor, LOU QUARANTA, Clerk, and
DAVE ITULE, Manager

5/8/68

AIRTEL

REGISTERED MAIL

TO: DIRECTOR (44-38861)
FROM: SAC, PHILADELPHIA (44-1368)
SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Los Angeles teletype to the Director, 4/29/68 concerning Toll calls from the phone booths at the St. Francis Hotel, Los Angeles, Calif.

Telephone number 247-2027 is listed to the Karian Company, 4132 Kottler Drive, Lafayette Hill, Pa.

Mr. and Mrs. GEORGE KARIAN were interviewed on 4/30 and 5/2/68 by SA FINEBARN M. O'CONNOR. The phone is also their home phone. KARIAN is a manufacturer's representative for the Powder Metalurgy Parts Company. His business takes him no further than Harrisburg, Pa. and he has no connection with any West Coast concern. He receives many long distance calls but does not log them.

Neither Mr. nor Mrs. KARIAN recall getting a long distance call from the West Coast this year or any reason for possibly getting one, either business or personal.

Neither of the KARIANS could identify the photo of RAY on I. O. 4/82 as anyone known to them.

The KARIANS have a reputable standing in the community.

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AT LOS ANGELES, CALIF.

Will recheck toll records on the call to phone
number 247-2027 on 1/3/68 in the Philadelphia area.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

FROM : SA J. CLARE WILLIAMS

SUBJECT: MURKIN
CR

DATE: 5/10/68

Writer received call from JACK MICHALES on above date, address 17538 Baker St., Los Angeles, no phone, who advised that he observed man driving vehicle earlier today who resembled JAMES EARL RAY a great deal. Stated that vehicle was traveling north on Sepulveda near Sunset Blvd., and described as older Thunderbird with Ohio license D 17703.

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TO: SAC, CINCINNATI
FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

MURKIN

RE LOOK DASH ALIKE DASH OHIO LICENSE D ONE SEVEN
SEVEN ZERO THREE.

COMPLAINT RECEIVED TO EFFECT DRIVER OF OLD FORD
THUNDERBIRD, OHIO LICENSE D ONE SEVEN SEVEN ZERO THREE
LOOKED LIKE WANTED FLYER ON JAMES EARL RAY CAR IN LOS
ANGELES AREA. CINCINNATI ADVISED OF REGISTERED OWNER
AND WHERE CAN BE LOCATED LOS ANGELES.

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Special Agent in Charge

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FBI CINCINTI

8:40 PM URGENT 5-11-68 DHV

TO LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

FROM CINCINNATI (157-1893)

MURKIN

RELATEL TODAY.

Handwritten: audit

NINETEEN SIXTY-EIGHT OHIO LICENSE D ONE SEVEN SEVEN ZERO THREE REGISTERED TO GERALD F. MICHAELS, THREE FOUR ONE TAPPIN AVE, COLUMBUS, OHIO FOR SIXTY FORD THUNDERBIRD, TWO-DOOR VIN ZERO Y SEVEN ONE Y ONE FIVE THREE EIGHT FOUR FIVE. THAT LICENSE OBTAINED APRIL SEVENTEEN LAST.

ELIZABETH HENSON, THREE FOUR ONE TAPPAN STREET, COLUMBUS, STATED TODAY GERALD AND BARBARA MICHAELS RESIDED THAT ADDRESS WITH ONE CHILD APPROXIMATELY SEPTEMBER SIXTY-SEVEN THROUGH JANUARY SIXTY-EIGHT WHEN THEY MOVED TO UNKNOWN TRAILER COURT, COLUMBUS. MRS. HENSON HEARD RECENTLY THE MICHAEL'S HAVE MOVED TO CALIFORNIA, BUT PRESENT WHEREABOUTS THERE UNKNOWN. MRS. HENSON DESCRIBED GERALD MICHAELS AS ABOUT THIRTY YEARS, ONE SEVENTY LBS, SLENDER, BLOND WAIVY HAIR, BLUE EYES, NARROW FACE, AND MISSING SOME FRONT TEETH. SHE DID NOT FEEL MICHAELS RESEMBLED PHOTOS OF JAMES EARL RAY.

ADDITIONAL EFFORTS WILL BE MADE TO ASCERTAIN RESIDENCE OF GERALD MICHAELS IN CALIFORNIA.

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Handwritten: 6 P, 5/11/68, Supervisor NOLAN telephonically notified. SWN 5/11/68

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746PM URGENT 5-11-68 GWC
TO LOS ANGELES AND OMAHA
FROM SACRAMENTO (100-427)

MURKIN - CR. OO:MEMPHIS.

RE DALLAS TEL TO SC TODAY WHICH IS AS FOLLOWS:

SHERMAN, TEXAS PD ADVISED LATE LAST NIGHT ONE BOB DAVIDSON,
GIVING ADDRESS GENERAL DELIVERY, GENEVA, ARKANSAS, APPEARED AT THE
STATION AS A SLEEPER, AND SENT TO HOUSTON ROOMS HOTEL, SHERMAN. WHILE
AT STATION, DAVIDSON OBSERVED A WF ON JAMES EARL RAY CLAIMING RAY
SIMILAR TO PERSON EMPLOYED AS BUS BOY, BIG LODGE RESTAURANT,
YOSEMITE NATIONAL PARK FOR APPROXIMATELY TWO WEEKS, WHERE DAVIDSON
HIMSELF HAD BEEN WORKING. DAVIDSON LAST SAW THIS PARTY THERE MAY
EIGHT LAST.

FORMER PCI PORTER GREEN, HOUSTON ROOMS HOTEL ADVISED ROBORY
DAVIDSON GAVE ADDRESS LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS, CHECKED IN LATE LAST
NIGHT AND DEPARTED FIVE THIRTY A.M. TODAY ENROUTE LITTLE ROCK, BELIEVED
BY FOOT. DAVIDSON CLAIMED TO HAVE BEEN IN THIS STATE
AND CITY ONE DAY. HE WAS BORN [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] IS W/M, FIVE FEET EIGHT, TWO HUNDRED TEN
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slater, SA AHEARN
telephonically notified. He instructed that
Van Poye RA be notified. SRA MC CAULEY
instructed that SA CALLOWAY be advised
SA CALLOWAY telephonically advised S/P, Slater.
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POUNDS, BLOND HAIR, GRAY EYES, AND SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER

SACRAMENTO CONDUCT NECESSARY INVESTIGATION AT YOSEMITE NATIONAL PARK.-----

SACRAMENTO UNABLE TO ELIMINATE OR IDENTIFY JAMES EVERETT BROOKS AS THE SUBJECT. BROOKS AWAY FROM YOSEMITE UNTIL MONDAY MORNING NEXT, WHEREABOUTS UNKNOWN.

RECORDS YOSEMITE PARK - CURRY CO. SHOW PRESENT ADDRESS AS THREE ZERO FIVE TWO NINE GOLDEN STATE FREEWAY, CASTAIC, CALIF., LIST NEXT OF KIN, AS MOTHER, BEULA BROOKS, ONE ZERO SEVEN NORTH SEVENTH ST., MAPLETON, IOWA.

BROOKS HIRED MAY ONE, LAST AS BUS BOY, LISTED DOB AS

LA AT CASTAIC, CALIF. ASCERTAIN IF BROOKS KNOWN AT THAT ADDRESS. OM AT MAPLETON, IOWA DETERMINE IF BEULA BROOKS ACTUALLY MOTHER OF JAMES EVERETT BROOKS AND IF SHE CAN ELIMINATE BROOKS AS BEING RAY.

LA AND OM SUTEL.
SACRAMENTO WILL CONTACT BROOKS MONDAY MORNING NEXT IF NOT OTHERWISE ELIMINATED.

AM COPIES TO DALLAS AND MEMPHIS.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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FROM: LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

MURKIN

RE SACRAMENTO TEL TO LA AND OMAHA FIVE ELEVEN LAST
DISCONTINUE INVESTIGATION RE SUSPECT JAMES EVERETT
BROOKS AS BEING IDENTICAL WITH SUBJECT RAY.

INVESTIGATION LA REFLECTS BROOKS HAS FBI NUMBER
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BROOKS INCARCERATED WARM SPRINGS CAMP, CASTALE,
CALIFORNIA FROM ONE FOUR THROUGH FOUR TWELVE LAST ON DRUG
REHABILITATION PROGRAM OF LA COUNTY BOARD OF CHARITIES.

DETAILED AIRTEL FOLLOWS.

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TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

FROM: *Cuf* SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (173-65) - ~~REDACTED~~SUBJECT: MURKIN
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OO: Memphis

Re Los Angeles teletype to San Francisco, 5/8/68.

ROBERT FRANK MORAN and wife CLAUDIA MORAN were contacted at Apt. 505, 184-13th St., Oakland, California. MORAN not identical with JAMES EARL RAY. Also he does not have Air Force uniform in his possession. He advised that while dating his present wife, he once wore a set of khakis and she asked him then if he was in the service. He told her in a joking manner that "Sure I'm a colonel in the Air Force." CLAUDIA believed this and started telling all of her acquaintances that he was a colonel and he was too embarrassed to correct her. He has since advised her and her family that he is not a colonel and states that he has never made this remark to anyone else.

Mrs. CLAUDIA MORAN verified this and stated that she has advised her whole family that this was not any deliberate hoax on the part of her husband.

In the absence of further information to the contrary, it does not appear that a violation has occurred. No further investigation being conducted San Francisco *ROBERT FRANK MORAN.*

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TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES

FROM : SA RICHARD M. WOOLF

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 5/11/68

Mr. D. C. FOGLE, 2142 Mallul Drive, Anaheim, Calif., telephonically contacted the office at 2:15 p.m. on 5/11/68 and advised as follows:

On the evening of 5/10/68 he visited the Bourbon Street Bar located on Beach Boulevard, Buena Park, California. At about midnight, his attention was attracted by an individual drinking in the bar who bore a remarkable resemblance to the "bow tie" photographs of RAY. Soon after he noted the individual, the individual left the bar.

FOGLE said he asked the bar tender what the individual had been drinking. The bartender replied that he had served the individual grape juice with vodka. FOGLE said the newspaper account of RAY mentioned that RAY was fond of grape juice with vodka.

FOGLE said he mentioned the individual to a second individual in the bar. This second individual mentioned that the the customer referred to by FOGLE was unknown to him by name but that the customer had been coming into the bar on a regular basis for the past year or more.

FOGLE said the individual he observed was alone in the bar. He was about 6 feet to 6'2" tall and weighed about 200 pounds. He had dark hair. FOGLE said he did not know the direction the individual took when he left the bar.

FOGLE said he did not contact the FBI when he first noted the individual because he was not certain it was RAY and also when he ascertained that the individual was a regular customer he felt that there was no urgency about the matter.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
FROM: SAC, Philadelphia (44-1368)
SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Los Angeles tel to Bureau 4/29/68 concerning toll calls from phone booths in the St. Francis Hotel, Los Angeles, Calif.

On 5/1/68, Mrs. BENJAMIN SPATZ, 939 Elmwood Avenue, Sharon Hill, Pa., advised SA THOMAS F. LEWIS that the telephone #586-2060, was listed to her husband at that address.

She advised that the 12/12/67 phone call to their phone had been from her son, RICHARD GUSTAV SPATZ, who resides in Allegheny, Calif., and he is reportedly employed as a building manager in that area. His contact with the family has been limited in recent years.

However, he holds 100 shares of AT&T stock and calls every several months to ensure that the dividend checks are forwarded to him from Sharon Hill. Mrs. SPATZ is not certain, but she believes that that was the reason for the call of 12/12/67.

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FROM: SAC, SAN DIEGO (44-387) (P)
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Mr. JAY VANDERSCHHEL, owner, Chevron Service Station,
Bolder Oaks, California, advised as follows on 5/10/68:

On 5/8/68 a man giving the name BEN WILLIAMSON, who bears a close resemblance to JAMES EARL RAY, was in his service station and purchased gasoline on a Chevron credit card number 722 912 803 3. This card was a company card of the Daily Journal, city not indicated. VANDERSCHHEL signed his name on the gas ticket and the card indicated he was driving an automobile bearing California license PPE 140.

Records of the CHP indicate California license PPE 140 is for a 1961 Chevrolet station wagon, sole owner
Mutual Newspaper Publishing Company, 220 West First Street,
Los Angeles, California.

VANDERSCHHEL advised that this same individual has been a previous customer and he has not seen him for several months and when seeing him on 5/8/68, stated this was the first time he had ever seen him during the day time.

VANDERSCHHEL described WILLIAMSON as a WMA, age 35-39, 5'10" to 5'11", 180 lbs., dark hair, brown eyes.

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Will contact the Mutual Newspaper Publishing Company, 220 West First Street, and attempt to locate and interview BEN WILLIAMSON to determine if identical with JAMES EARL RAY.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

DATE: 5/9/68

FROM : SA DENNIS C. LEMASTER *DL*

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re FD 71 dated 4/19/68, as received by SA C. KENNETH ARNOLD, JR.

HELEN C. CAUFIELD, Apartment 5, 6130 Afton Place, Hollywood, California, advised she is the manager of the apartment complex located at 6130 Afton Place, Hollywood. She said that on 4/18/68, a Caucasian male came to the apartment complex in search of a room. She said that he paid her one month's rent by means of a check. CAUFIELD said that she was suspicious of the check and through her investigative efforts she learned that the check was written on the victim's account by the boy friend of an associate-roommate of the victim. She said that she does not recall the victim's name. She stated that she did report this matter to the LAPD and her information is that they are conducting a fraudulent check investigation. She described this individual as appearing generally similar to JAMES EARL RAY. She described this individual as being shorter than JAMES EARL RAY, approximately 5'8" in height. She also stated that this individual had noticeably bad teeth in that some of them were missing, others decayed and being generally of a yellow color. All of these characteristics were evident, particularly on the left side.

CAUFIELD said that she believes that the victim worked at Teamsters Local 836.

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TO : SAC

FROM : SA LEE R. INMAN

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 4/28/68

The writer received a telephone call from the Los Angeles Office duty agent at 2:30am 4/28/68, advising that the Los Angeles Office received a telephone call from DAVID NUTTER, 12282 Pine Street, Garden Grove, California, advising he had important information to furnish re the MURKIN case and he was afraid to furnish same over the telephone.

The writer subsequently drove to the above residence, arriving there at approximately 3:30am 4/28/68. NUTTER was in an excited state and advised he had purchased an Oiji board the previous day and while playing this board with his brother in law in the late evening hours of 4/27/68 was able to make contact with a deceased FBI Special Agent who furnished information concerning instant case.

The information furnished by NUTTER was ambiguous and in view of the fact the information was obtained from an oiji board no further action is being taken on this matter at this time.

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TO : SAC (44-1574)

DATE: 5/10/68

FROM : SA J.R.SULLIVAN

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re complaint form with information received from JAMES JOSEPH on 5/7/68.

JAMES JOSEPH was contacted at his residence, 2442 $\frac{1}{2}$ Adelia, South El Monte, California by the writer on 5/9/68 at which time he advised that he was formerly employed as a cook at GUYATTS RESTAURANT, 134 North Citrus, Covina, California. This restaurant is no longer in business.

JOSEPH stated that in November, 1967 while employed as mentioned above he observed a man, alone, in the above restaurant approximately three times. He never saw this man in a car nor did he see this man talk to any person at the restaurant, either employee or customer. He described this man as:

white, male

in his 40s

✓ 5'9" 170-180 husky build pocket kept
very long black wavy hair, in his coat, sun glasses
beady eyes; wore dark suit, white shirt, bow tie, A

JOSEPH states that from the kitchen he observed the above described person and he never talked with him. However, he examined the ~~man~~ photographs and wanted notices on JAMES EARL RAY including the most recently available photographs and advised that this above described person who has not been seen since bore a strong resemblance to the photographs of RAY and that he particularly resembled the most recent photographs of RAY.

JOSEPH states he has absolutely no further information concerning the unknown person and that he does not know the identity of any other person who could provide any further information.

JOSEPH states that the owner of the restaurant, LAWRENCE P. GUYATTE usually opened the restaurant each day and that his wife, KATHRYN GUYATTE worked at the restaurant. The GUYATTE's live in the Covina area and have telephone number 331-7842.

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TO: SAC, ATLANTA

FROM: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987) P

MURKIN

In connection with investigation conducted to date in instant case, the Memphis Office has prepared a listing of pertinent dates, activity, and residences as known to Memphis concerning subject JAMES EARL RAY. This information may be subject to amplification as additional information becomes known.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Miscellaneous</u>	<u>Place</u>
4/23/67	Escape	Missouri State Penitentiary Jefferson City, Missouri
7/18/67	Harkay Apts., \$450 lease, 7/18/67 - 1/18/68 H. ROTHMAN, owner, \$75 per month. GALT skipped out.	Montreal, Canada
7/26/67	Canadian Postal Money Order	Montreal, Canada
8/26/67	2608 Highland Avenue (Rented room.)	Birmingham, Alabama
8/28/67	Birmingham Trust Nat'l Bank (Rented safety deposit box.)	Birmingham, Alabama

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Miscellaneous</u>	<u>Place</u>
8/29-30/67	Bought Mustang from WILLIAM D. PAISLEY	Birmingham
9/12/67	Continental Dance Club Studio Aka. Friendship Club	Birmingham
10/3/67	Photographic Equipment to Galt (Per records Superior Bulk Film Co., Chicago)	Birmingham
10/4/67	Operator rooming house (P. CHERPES) signed for package for GALT	Birmingham
10/5/67	GALT typed letter from Birmingham Highland Avenue address returning camera to Chicago	Birmingham
10/7/67	Approximate departure	Birmingham
10/18/67	Letter from Film Company (above) returned to Chicago from Birming- ham address	--
10/19 - 11/16/67	Room 212 Motel Rio, Morelos 86	Puerto Villarta Jalisco, Mexico
10/22/67	Superior Bulk Film Co., Chicago records show typed letter from GALT asking refund be sent Hotel Rio, Puerto Villarta, Jalisco, Mexico	
11/7-13/67	Hotel "Tropicana" (Rm. 417)	Puerto Villarta
11/17/67 - 1/18/68	1535 North Serrano (Apt. 6)	Los Angeles, Calif.
11/20/67	Records Chicago Film Co. (above) show GALT asked refund be sent 1535 North Serrano	Los Angeles, Calif.

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12/ 7-19/67	Provincial Motel (GALT)	New Orleans, La.
1/27 - 3/17/68	St. Francis Hotel 5533 North Hollywood Boulevard	Los Angeles
12/ 7 -2/12/68	National Dance Studios	Los Angeles
1/14/68 - 3/2/68	International School of Bar- tendering	Los Angeles
3/24/68	113 14th St. N. E. (Rooming House) GALT last seen by landlord approximately 3/31/68	Atlanta, Georgia
3/29-30/68	Purchase of Weapon (HARVEY LOWMEYER), Aero-Marine Supply	Birmingham
4/1/68	Piedmont Laundry (GALT) No starch in clothes	Atlanta
4/3/68	Rebel Motel (ERIC S. GALT) Departed prior to 1 PM, 4/4/68	Memphis
4/4/68	Rooming House (JOHN WILLARD) South Main St., in about 3 PM	Memphis
4/5/68	Last seen A.M. of 4/5/68, Piedmont Laundry, parking Mustang	Atlanta

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

DATE: 5/11/68

FROM : SA JOHN F. MORRISON

SUBJECT: MURKIN

At 11:00am this date, MATTHEW LANDANO telephonically advised that he wished to speak to an SA. He said he had information that would be pertinent to captioned matter. He believes he saw subject in this matter in Glendale recently. He declined to furnish any further information over the telephone. He said he was an employee of the City of Glendale and requested that he not be ~~contacted~~ contacted at work. It was noted that LANDANO mentioned several times during the phone conversation that he was not a "nut".

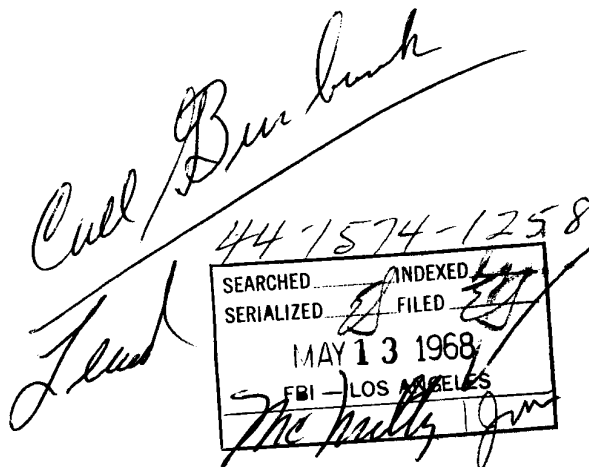
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AT GLENDALE

Will contact MATTHEW LANDANO at his residence 1229 E. Maple, phone 244-5308, after 4pm for further information re this matter.

LA Indices negative re LANDANO

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SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

5/3/68

SA RICHARD F. KILCOURSE

MURKIN

Re leads obtained from the Local Swingers Club membership list.

The name of PAULA LEWIS, PO Box #37073 was obtained from referenced list.

On 5/3/68, SA J. C. O'NEILL determined that PO Box #37073 was held by PAUL LEVY, 3905 Stevely Ave., Los Angeles but on 4/23/68 had been closed and a new box, #25471, had been opened in this name, same address, Tel. # 293-4891 in West Los Angeles. When dialed, it was determined that this telephone number had been changed to 473-7062, no address shown.

At 5:50PM, PAUL LEVY, telephone number 473-7063 was contacted by writer. He advised that he was leaving immediately from his residence and would not be available for personal contact until Monday, 5/6/68.

LEVY stated that he is not a member of the Local Swingers Club but has received some literature from them from time to time. He stated he has submitted ads to the "Free Press" and surmised that that is where the Club got his PO Box number.

He advised that he is fully aware of the KING investigation and the names ERIC STARVO GALT and JAMES EARL RAY and has never received any correspondence through the Local Swingers Club from anyone by either name.

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LEVY advised that he has received descriptive data and photos of individuals bearing only code numbers assigned by the Club and would be willing to view photos of subject for identification purposes. He stated that he will be available at 10AM, 5/6/68 and requested that he be called first as his wife is not aware of his activities.

LEVY refused to furnish his address in West Los Angeles stating that he would give that information when contacted telephonically on 5/6/68.

LEVY was quite upset and indignant that writer knew his name stating that there is no way that the Local Swingers Club would have his true name and that it must of been obtained from the Post Office which he claims is a violation of postal regulations. He carefully noted writers name and will probably make a complaint on this.

UAC, writer will contact LEVY on 5/6/68 and exhibit photos of subject, JAMES EARL RAY

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

DATE: 5/10/68

FROM : *Rfk* SA RICHARD F. KILCOURSE

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re my memo dated 5/3/68 concerning interview of PAUL LEVY in connection with leads developed from the Local Swingers Club Membership list.

On 5/6/68, PAUL LEVY, 1400 Purdue St., West Los Angeles was contacted by writer and SA NATHANIEL H. GILLAM at his residence. LEVY examined several photographs of JAMES EARL RAY and advised that they in no way resembled any photographs received by him through the Local Swingers Club.

LEVY was cooperative and friendly and stated that he was impressed by the thoroughness of the FBI investigation and is no longer concerned about our obtaining his identity through his Post Office box number.

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

Indices: ☐ Negative ☐ See below

Subject's name and aliases JAMES E. RAY		Address of subject		Character of case MURKIN									
Complainant RALPH WEBBER		Complainant's address and telephone number 228 E. 6th St., L.A. MA-62116		Complaint received ☐ Personal ☒ Telephonic Date 5-10-68 Time 3-20pm.									
Subject's Description	Race	Sex ☐ Male ☐ Female	Height	Hair	Build								
	Age		Weight	Eyes	Complexion								
	Scars, marks or other data												
Facts of complaint C said he did not know if this following was identical with the "RAY" we are looking for or not, but wished to furnish it for whatever it may be worth. C said he is a supervisor at the Systems Auto Park, address above. C said while going through their claims records this date, they discovered a claim made in December by a man giving the name as "JAMES E. RAY." The claim was dated December 29, 1967, and this "RAY" stated his car had had its trunk entered and a brief case he was carrying pilfered. He furnished his address as 2557 Westwood Blvd., W.L.A. The attendant noted he was driving a 1965 Pontiac, license number not listed.													
Action Recommended Philip S. Andrist (Agent) <i>Follow this up pls</i> 44-1574-1261 <table border="1"> <tr> <td>SEARCHED ☒</td> <td>INDEXED ☒</td> </tr> <tr> <td>SERIALIZED ☒</td> <td>FILED ☒</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2" style="text-align: center;">1968</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2" style="text-align: center;">FBI - LOS ANGELES</td> </tr> </table> <i>Porter</i>						SEARCHED ☒	INDEXED ☒	SERIALIZED ☒	FILED ☒	1968		FBI - LOS ANGELES	
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