

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (170-287)

DATE: 6/28/68

FROM : SA FRED B. LAFFERTY

SUBJECT: ROBERT HARVEY WALKER
PRI - PROB (Ghetto)

Source advised on 6/12/68, that he is now employed at Alladen's Liquor Store, Hoover Street and Florence Avenue, Los Angeles, telephone 759-3911. He also stated that he owns a Ford 350 wrecker truck, bearing 1968 California license No. X-90404.

Source continued that the talk in the Negro community of Los Angeles, indicates that the people are far more concerned about JAMES EARL RAY being returned safely to the United States and tried for the murder of MARTIN LUTHER KING than they are about the assassination of ROBERT F. KENNEDY. He continued that the general feeling is pessimistic that RAY will ever stand trial and that the Negroes will then be deprived of the satisfaction of having the assassin of their former leader convicted.

Source stated that he believes that the Negro community is simply awaiting the outcome of the RAY case before taking more violent action to make their frustration apparent.

On 6/24/68, source advised that he has received no further information concerning the KING or KENNEDY assassination. He stated that he believes there is a Black Panther Society located near his place of work and he is attempting to obtain more detailed information about it.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES 44-1574

DATE: 7/1/68

FROM : SA LEONARD M. HALE

SUBJECT: MURKIN

On 6/30/68, RICHARD S. SCHONFELD, 8427 Balboa, Apt. 4, Northridge, Calif., advised this agent that he had been thinking about something that a girl had told him approximately three weeks ago and decided to report it to this agent since SCHONFELD and agent live in the same apartments.

While on the beach, just south of Will Rogers, SCHONFELD met a girl who said that the day after KING was killed she was driving around with her lights on. She pulled into a service station (probably Shell) at the corner of Olympic and Bundy in Los Angeles and an attendant with a "thick" southern accent made several derogatory remarks about KING and then stated that he had contributed to a southern organization for the purpose of having KING killed. SCHONFELD told the girl that she should report it or he would do it and the girl then refused to give SCHONFELD her last name. The only name that she gave him was her first name "DONNA", but SCHONFELD believes that she can be located easily because she stated that she had just resigned from A E PHI Sorority, ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~ at the University of Southern California. He describes her as W/F, Jewish descent, 19-20 years, 5'4, 110 lbs., with dark brown hair.

LEADS

1. Locate and interview DONNA through A E PHI at USC.
2. Identify and interview service station attendant at Olympic and Bundy regarding his alleged statement.

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ReLAairtel dated 4/14/68.

Enclosed you will find complete set of photographs from the second roll of color film as furnished to you by Charles Stein.

The negatives are being retained in Bufiles.

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MRS. DOROTHEA BARTON, NEE CHILDS, RESIDENCE TWO FIVE ZERO WEST ONE HUNDRED FOURTH STREET, APARTMENT FIVE FOUR, NEW YORK CITY, ADVISED THIS DATE THAT HER EX DASH HUSBAND, BOYD ROBERT BARTON, LAST KNOWN ADDRESS, ONE ZERO EIGHT FIVE ZERO KLING STREET, NORTH HOLLYWOOD, CALIFORNIA, IS A MEMBER OF A "CULT" FOUNDED BY DR. (FIRST NAME UNKNOWN) ARMSTRONG WHO IS CONNECTED WITH THE AMBASSADOR COLLEGE, PASADENA, CALIFORNIA. SHE STATED THAT ONE OF THE MAIN BELIEFS OF THE CULT, NAME OF CULT UNKNOWN, IS THAT THE END OF THE WORLD IS IMMINENT WITHING FIVE YEARS. ONE OF THE PURPOSES OF THE CULT IS TO RID THE WORLD OF SOME OF ITS THIEVERY AND OTHER SAD FACTORS WITHING THIS PERIOD OF TIME.

MRS. BARTON STATED SHE OVERHEARD STATEMENTS MADE BY MEMBERS OF THE CULT, APPROXIMATELY ONE YEAR AGO, REGARDING

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THEIR PLANS TO ASSASSINATE MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., AND FURTHER TO "BLOW UP" THE UNITED NATIONS. SHE STATED THAT NO DATES WERE RECALLED BY HER REGARDING THESE PROPOSED ACTIVITIES, HOWEVER, NAMED CULT MEMBERS, KNOWLEDGEABLE OR CONNECTED WITH THESE PLANS, AS HER EX HUSBAND, BOYD ROBERT BARTON & ROY JOHNSON, RUBI STREET, GREANDO HILLS, CALIFORNIA, TELEPHONE NUMBER EM THREE DASH THREE SEVEN ONE FIVE, WIFE MARTHA; AND JIM MONSEES, ONE ZERO TWO SIX RUBERTA, GLENDALE, CALIFORNIA, TELEPHONE NUMBER NINE SIX THREE DASH EIGHT ONE FOUR.

MRS. BARTON STATED THAT SHE RETURNED TO NEW YORK FROM THE LOS ANGELES AREA AROUND MAY, NINETEEN SIXTY SEVEN. SHE STATED PRIOR TO LEAVING CALIFORNIA SHE ACTUALLY SAW NUMEROUS GUNS, HAND GRENADES AND DYNAMITE AS STORED SHE STATED SHE AND HER HUSBAND HAVE BEEN DIVORCED FOR APPROXIMATELY TWENTY YEARS, HOWEVER, IN THE PAST SEVERAL YEARS RESIDED TOGETHER AT THE ABOVE NORTH
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BY THE CULT AT THE
KLINE ST. ADDRESS OF HER
HUSBAND
JOHN F. SENESEY
NEW YORK OFFICE

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HOLLYWOOD ADDRESS.

SHE FURTHER STATED THAT DR. ARMSTRONG HAS A SON WHO IS A WELL KNOWN "BROADCASTER" IN THE LOS ANGELES AREA. SHE IDENTIFIED BOYD BARTON AS A WHITE MALE, BORN APPROXIMATELY [REDACTED] IN PENNSYLVANIA, FIVE FEET ELEVEN INCHES, ONE HUNDRED EIGHT POUNDS, HAIR SANDY AND EYES BLUE. HE IS EMPLOYED AS A "FILM CUTTER" FOR DESI ARNEZ. HE IS NOW BELIEVED TO HAVE MOVED FROM THE KLING STREET ADDRESS TO AN UNKNOWN ADDRESS IN THE SAME AREA.

MRS. BARTON WAS INTERVIEWED AFTER SHE CONTACTED THE NEW YORK OFFICE REQUESTING AN AGENT TO CONTACT HER CONCERNING ABOVE INDICATED MATTERS. SHE WAS INTERVIEWED IN PRESENCE OF A FRIEND, JERRY YOON, WHO RESIDES WITH HER AND WHOM SHE IDENTIFIED AS HER BODYGUARD. THE ONLY REASON GIVEN WHY SHE HAD NOT PREVIOUSLY BROUGHT THIS INFORMATION TO THE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION'S ATTENTION IS THAT SHE IS A HIGHLY NERVOUS PERSON.

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SHE FURTHER STATED THAT SHE WAS PROMPTED TO CONTACT THE FBI DUE, IN PART, TO THE ASSASSINATION OF SENATOR ROBERT F. KENNEDY. EVEN THOUGH SHE HAS NO KNOWLEDGE THAT THE "CULT" IS INVOLVED IN THE KENNEDY MATTER SHE CONSIDERS THIS NOT TO BE BEYOND THEIR CAPACITY DUE TO THE BACKGROUNDS OF THE MEMBERS IN THE "CULT."

ALL ABOVE NAMES NEGATIVE PER NYO INDICES. APPROPRIATE SOURCES, NYC, APPRIEZED THIS DATE OF ABOVE.

LOS ANGELES LOCATE AND INTERVIEW ABOVE INDICATED PERSONS CONNECTED WITH THE "CULT" REGARDING THE ALLEGATIONS THAT THEY PLANNED TO ASSASSINATE KING AND FURTHER PLAN TO BLOW UP THE UNITED NATIONS. ALSO DETERMINE IF CONNECTED WITH THE ROBERT F. KENNEDY ASSASSINATION. DETERMINE IF SUBJECT JAMES EARL RAY, MURKIN; OR SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN, KENSALT, IS KNOWN TO OR CONNECTED WITH THE "CULT."

SUBJECT RAY IS CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS. ABOVE PERSONS CONNECTED WITH THE "CULT" SHOULD ALSO BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS DUE TO THE STATEMENT A LARGE NUMBER OF FIREARMS AND EXPLOSIVES IS IN THEIR POSSESSION.

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LOS ANGELES IMMEDIATELY ADVISE LOCAL AUTHORITIES,
MILITARY, AND SECRET SERVICE OF CACHE OF ARMS WHICH WAS
REPORTEDLY STORED BY THE "CULT" AT ONE ZERO EIGHT FIVE
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC (44-1574)

FROM : SA Leslie F. Warren

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 7-19-68

RE Donald Martin Blaa, aka Fisher, "Rocky"

(see ser. 739/1283/1284)

Florence Holloway (Simpkins), 1232 W. 5th St., L. A., no phone, can be reached through landlady, Mrs. Sherman # 481-2387, 6468 furnished a letter and 2 snap shot photos, she received from John D. Fisher from Chicago (see la). She came in to the L. A. FBI office personally 6-4-68 to deliver the letter. She said she did not want it back. Fisher expected to return to L.A. soon. She said the Long Beach Police Dept. had a traffic warrant out for Fisher. She will notify Agt. when Fisher gets to town. She is aware the Glendale PD and the LAPD have arrest warrants out on Fisher aka Blaa.

Simpkins phoned 7-18-68 and said Blaa in town staying at the Cecil Hotel on Main St near 6th St. She is to meet him about 9:30 am at the Early Bird Cafe next door to the Cecil Hotel. He was with Richard Francis Howard (91-2368) on the pm of 7-18-68 when they had a number of small radios, TV's, some watches, rings which they were attempting to sell around bars in the 5th St. and Los Angeles St. area of L. A. She did not know where they got them. "Rocky" claimed to have sold a small TV to a bar tender, "Johnnie" at 5th and Maple, L. A., 7-18-68, for \$50.00. Rocky was wearing gray work shirt and pants. Simpkins will meet Rocky as above and set him up for the police.

Lt. Boothe, LAPD, fugitive detail was advised by phone 7-19-68. He said LAPD want is a misdemeanor. He talked to Det. Kenneth Hesse, Glendale PD who will attempt to arrest Blaa. Agent called Hesse and furnished details. He and partner D.R. Hunt came by the FBI office at 8:30 am and a snap shot photo of Rocky he had sent to Simpkins was furnished to Hunt.

Simpkins phoned at 9:20 am, 7-19-68 said Rocky staying on the 12th floor of the Cecil Hotel under the name of David Fisher. She thinks she has spotted the Glendale PD and will make contact with them.

1cc-87-7151 (Florence Holloway Simpkins)
91-12621 (Richard Francis Howard)

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Memorandum

TO : SAC L. A. (44-1574)

DATE: 7-23-68

FROM : SA Leslie F. Warren

SUBJECT: Murkin

Re Donald Martin Blaa, aka., Donald Martin Fisher,
David Fisher, "Rocky". aka.
(Ray -look a like suspect)(see ser. 739/1283/1284)

Also ref. Memo SA Leslie F. Warren 7-19-68.

Det. D. R. Hunt, Glendale PD # 245-1044, advised 7-19-68 pm that Blaa as David Fisher was arrested on that date at the Cecil Hotel in downtown L. A. On 7-22-68 Det. Kenneth Hesse Glendale PD said Fisher being held in Glendale Jail at PD.

Det. Hunt advised 7-23-68 Fisher had been transferred to L. A County Jail and a hearing had been set for Friday 7-26-68 on a forgery charge. Hunt said Fisher had some radios and TV sets possibly stolen that Glendale PD is trying to trace. Hunt is goint to attempt to interview Fisher this pm.

Florence Holloway, 1232 W. 5th St., L. A. phoned 7-23-68 and said Rocky had been at her apt. Thursday pm 7-18-68 and claimed he was aware the FBI had been trying to locate him for interview in the Murkin case. He heard about it at the King Edward Hotel bar near 5th and L.A. st. He stated " They can't hang any thing on me I only had some drinks with Ray and drove he and his brother to Tenn." Rocky claimed he left them and drove 48 miles to visit his mother in Colton, Tenn. It was not clear just where he left them in Tenn. and what date he claimed to have driven Ray and his brother there. Holloway thinks Rocky was referring to Ray meaning James Earl Ray who lived at the St. Francis Hotel where Rocky as Donald Martin Blaa had worked in Dec., 1967.

Rocky claimed to have "picked up" a new '68 Dodge from a parking lot near the Greyhound Bus Sta., L. A. before he left for Chicago shortly before Agents interview ed Holloway 4-29-68. He said he change the plates on it drove it to Tenn., then to Chicago where he sold it for \$800. Rocky had a Bank of America credit card which had another name on it which started with the letters "Shae---". He said he had found it in the car he lifted from the parking lot

Clifford Wolf who works at the West Coast Cycle Co., 221 S. San Pedro St., L. A. and who rooms at the apartment where Holloway lives, was present when Rocky was making the claims about Ray and the car on Thursday pm 7-18-68.

Action: Det. Hunt advised about possible car theft. He will seek evidence in Fisher's property.

Open 26 case for preliminary inquiry as to a possible violation.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC L. A. 44-1574)

DATE: 7-25-68

FROM : SA Leslie F. Warren

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Donald Martin Blaa, aka., David Fisher, Rocky.
(see serials 739/1283/1284 plus memo s of SA
Leslie F. Warren, 7-19-68 and 7-23-68.)

Florence Holloway was interviewed personally 7-25-68 at 1232 W. 5th St. L. A. Re data in memo in serial 1284 furnished by Holloway, aka Florence Holloway Simpkins, about Rocky associating with one Paul and one Earl and the Earl was a close look a like to James Earl Ray, she stated the following. Rocky, who she had met in 1959 first showed up at her apt. in late summer of 1967 following a trip to Cleveland Ohio, (see ser. 739) with Paul and Earl. She saw Paul and Earl, reportedly brothers, Rocky had met in Kansas City in July, and brought to Calif. again with Rocky at her apt. around Thanksgiving, 1967. The last time in Pasadena in a bar around Xmas 1967.

When Rocky was in Holloway's apt. 7-18-68 pm following his return from Chicago, he commented. He had learned from Dick Howard (see ser. 1284 p3) the FBI was looking for him in the MURKIN case. "I don't know what the FBI wants me for, I only had some drinks with Ray and his brother at the hotel and drove to Tennessee with them but I don't know whether they are the ones who did the shooting." Holloway was of the opinion Rocky was referring to the brothers Earl and Paul and assumed one of them may have been James Earl Ray on basis of the FBI inquiry. Rocky did not say when he went to Tenn. Holloway thinks they made two trips. Rocky has a mother who remarried to John Fisher who resides in Colton Tenn. (ph) He claimed when they went to Tenn. "they" had a new car and "they" let him out as "they" were going in a different direction. He told them how to get there. He was foot then and there was a curfew on in this city (not named) and he was stopped by the police who detained him in jail till the next am. He did not say he was charged with anything. He then took a bus for 40 miles then a cab to Colton (ph) where his mother lived, a distance of 8 miles.

When Rocky, Earl and Paul were at Holloway's apt. in Nov. 1967 they were in what in her opinion was a late model white Mustang. She did not note what type of licence plates on the car,

1-cc 87-7151(Florence Holloway (Simpkins)
91-12621(Richard Harris Howard)

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Rocky who was arrested by the Glendale Police 7-19-68 has been moved to the LACo Jail and as 7-25-68 was still there in lieu of \$2200. bail.

Glendale PD. still have a warrant for Delores Fisher who was involed with Rocky and living with him as man and wife at apt. # 102 at 410 S. Glendale Av., Glendale Cal. , phone 244-0692 as of May 1967. Delores whose true last name not known to Glendale P.D or Holloway was described by Holloway as FW, 37-38 to 40 yrs 5'8", med build, long brown hair with a copper colored cast. She has worked as a baby sitter, domestic and a sales girl. Rocky said, 7-18-68 he had seen Delores on his way to Chicago about 4-68. he was in Cleveland Ohio with her mother who lives in the vicinity of 98th St. and Lorraine in that city. Delores had credit with Kay's Jewelry Store in Glendale on Brand Bl. about 5/47. She bought wedding rings for herself and Rocky who were posing as man and wife.

Rocky's father, Martin Blaa has remarried and is living in Chicago.

Carl Siemon an atty. in the Trustee Div. of Financial Federation Inc. 615 Wilshire Bl. L. A. # 624-10901, Res. HU-76609 has assisted Rocky financially in the past. He is currently investigating Rocky's arrest and told Holloway 7-24-68 he thought Rocky might go to the pen. and might not make bail due to outstanding warrants for arrest with LAPD and one being processed in St Louis, Mo. Carl is married but not living with his wife who has a home in the Glendale area. Carl likes to drink and hit the night spots. Holloway thinks Carl may have a homosexual interest in Rocky. In April 1968 Rocky told Holloway he was going to run off with Carl's car, go to Chicago and sell it and Carl would never press charges. Holloway told Carl who took security action. Rocky then told Holloway he was going to steal a car and had his eye on some in a parking lot near the Greyhound bus station in L. A. He was looking for a late model Dodge, Chev. or Ply.

On 7-18-68 Rocky berated Holloway for telling Carl his auto was going to be taken and he had got a good one off a lot near the New Grayhound bus station, had stolen some plates from a car on another lot near 5th and L. A. , switched plates till he got out of Calif. He then went to Chicago where he sold it for \$800. He claimed he knew where to sell it and no questions would be asked.

Rocky asked Carl to have Holloway to pick up his personal belongings at the Cecil Hotel where his room rent expired 7-24-68 and keep them till he got out of jail. Holloway declined as she felt Rocky had some hot radios, TV's and jewelry (see memo SA L. Warren 7-19-68) and she might get her probation revoked. She said her probation officer knew she was cooperating with the FBI as he had originally referred her to the FBI in the Murkin case.

Rockey told Holloway to open some letters he was expecting from his girl friend in Chicago and let him know if there was any thing important in them. Holloway received a letter from Rocky post marked St. Louis 7-12-68 and one addressed to John Fisher, 1232 W. 5th st. L. A. post marked Chicago Ill 7-22-68, with a return address of Mrs Joan Fisher, 5611 N. Lincoln Av., Chicago, Ill. 60645. Both letters were furnished to the FBI and they need not be returned according to Holloway. She opened the one from Joan and was of the opinion Joan had knowledge of some of Rocky's illegal activities in Chicago and St Louis on basis of the text of the letter(see la)

Rocky in the past has operated a badger type game with bar girls. He and a girl named Barbara operated out of the Pleasant or Peasant bar near 6th or 7th and Wall St., L. A. They posed as brother and sister, picked out drunks, took the drunks to their rooms where Barbara turned tricks with the victim while Rocky searched the room and the clothes of the victim for money and pawnable items.

Action Taken: Det. D.R. Hunt and Det. Kenneth Hesse, Glendale PD. on 7-24&25-68 were furnished with above details pertaining to their case. # 253318. (John David Fisher) They have advised LAPD of the arrest as LAPD has a warrant for Fisher on basis of a theft from the St. Francis Hotel, Hollywood 12-5-67 of \$95.00. Agent also advised Lapd of Fisher being in town, 7-19-68 (see memo 7-19-68)

Det. E.J MacLyman, Traffic Warrant Div., Long Beach PD. was of Fisher being in the County Jail, 7-25-68. They hold a traffic warrant issued 6-10-68 for a parking violation 4-4-68 at 1634 E. 4th St., Long Beach Cal. In name of John D. Fisher% Holloway, 1219 W. 4th St. L. A. (former residence of Holloway) for a 1959 Ford Lic. # SBF-294. (see serial 1283 attachment for registration.) (Holloway claimed 7-25-68 Rocky sold this 1959 Ford just before he went to Chicago about the last week in April 1968.)

Det. C.J. Blaney, Burglary Div., LAPD, 7-25-68 was furnished data re possible theft of auto by Rocky in lat April, 1968 from a lot in vicinity of the Gray Hound Bus Depot. He ran the data through the Auto theft statistics section and said he could not come up with any thing as yet but would check further.

Recommendation: Interview Fisher at LACO Jail re possible knowledge of James Earl Ray.

Follow for possible 26 violation.

Open 137 case on Florence Holloway Simpkins (SEPARATE MEMO)

lcc- 87-7151 (Florence Holloway Simpkins)

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

DATE: 7/30/68

FROM : SUPERVISOR WILLIAM JOHN NOLAN

SUBJECT: MURKIN

ELMER KOVALCHIK, Special Agent, 115th Military Intelligence Group, on 7/30/68 advised that his agency was in receipt of information that Mrs. DOLORES CLEWS, residing 1800 block Florencita Drive, Montrose, California, had informed that her husband, DANIEL CLEWS, who was presently incarcerated at Santa Barbara, California, on charges of robbery, had information that seemed to indicate he possessed some knowledge of the slaying of Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING by JAMES EARL RAY.

LEAD:

AT MONTROSE, CALIFORNIA: Will contact Mrs. DOLORES CLEWS and ascertain all information available concerning the slaying of Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING and set out necessary leads to interview her husband at Santa Barbara if necessary.

Lead assigned to MC NULTY.

Induces negative 7/30/68
[Signature]

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TO: SAC, MEMPHIS
 FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)
 SUBJECT: MURKIN
 OO: Memphis

Enclosed herewith for Memphis is one copy of a five page letter written to RAYMOND L. MC LEAN by his sister, Mrs. ERNEST (MERRILL) CARMICHAEL.

On 7/26/68, RAYMOND L. MC LEAN, Chief of Police, Montclair, California, made available to SA JAMES E. HOFFER the enclosed letter dated 6/22/68, which he received from his sister, Mrs. ERNEST (MERRILL) CARMICHAEL, 5345 East Ocean Boulevard, Long Beach, California.

Chief MC LEAN advised that his sister had called him on several occasions regarding the matter reflected by the letter, and he finally advised her to sit down and put it all on paper.

Chief MC LEAN stated to his knowledge his sister is of good mental health, and although she does drink, she does not have a drinking problem. He stated she generally waits up until her husband comes home from work, and after he gets home they generally sit and have a few drinks, but he is unaware that she drinks while waiting for her husband.

He further advised that her story is rather "far-fetched" but he felt he should bring it to the attention of the FBI.

The letter is enclosed for the information of the Memphis Office.

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Approved: _____
 Special Agent in Charge

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Per _____

44-1574-1730

5345 E. Ocean Blvd.
Long Beach, California
Saturday, June 22, 1968

Dear Raymond,

Enclosed is the full account of the experience I have been calling you about.

Although I am sending you a carbon, I have not shown this to anybody else. I am most hesitant about implicating any peer, unsuspecting, innocent people and I keep telling myself that this whole thing is just a series of coincidences which I have pieced together in such a way as to look significant. The "two men" were probably Finance men trying to repossess an automobile or some such thing.

As I told you, I called the F.B.I. yesterday and told them about these two pictures, but I really think that I should have tried to find other pictures in other poses before I said anything. It is possible that another picture of the same person would look entirely different. I am well aware of that, - but I suppose the F.B.I. is well aware of that, also. It was not my intention to "stir up" anything, nor to seek any publicity - you know that. I gave it a lot of serious thought and I kept coming up with the opinion that it was extremely unlikely that two men looking so much like these pictures would come to Long Beach looking for a man named Ray on that night, and that it would be pure coincidence. (But that is probably just what it was!) I'll probably hear nothing more about it, - in fact, I HOPE I hear nothing more about it. I still think it entirely plausible that, if it was actually them, and they think I might recognize their pictures, it would occur to them that I should be silenced. (Believe me, any men coming to my door in the future are going to get short shrift from me!)

I would be most interested in hearing from you as to your opinion of my story and whether you agree that I should have reacted as I did.

Love,

Me

P.S. I realize that I did not make my account very succinct, but I did not want to leave anything out; AND I also realized that the literary style leaves much to be desired, but I never said I was Fannie Hurst, did I?

P.P.S. When I phoned you the other afternoon and talked with Kathy about the pictures I had seen in the paper, she said that she didn't think that you wanted any part of this matter! When you didn't call me back, I figured that you were not interested, so that is another reason why I called the F.B.I. myself rather than contacting you again.

P.P.S. #2 I am thinking of looking for a job as an expert typist. Wish me luck!

On the night of April 1st, I was sitting alone in my den watching television. I heard heavy footsteps walking back and forth between the building in which I live and the building next door. This is not unusual, but for some reason, the sound attracted my attention. Shortly after that, my front doorbell rang. It was exactly 11:45 P.M. I went to the front window and, peeking between the closed drapes, I saw a man standing at the door, facing the window, holding, what at first glance appeared to be, a camera. He was holding it very high and close to his face, as if he was looking at me through the view-finder. I immediately jumped back and called out, "Who is it?" His reply was, "The Police." Having seen that he was not wearing a uniform, I said, "Come on, you're not a policeman. What is the camera for?" He replied, "That is not a camera. I was holding up my badge." Telling him to wait a minute, I went to put on a robe. When I returned to the window and pulled open the drapes, he was still holding the badge very high and close to his head. He was smiling very broadly. The badge looked "odd" to me, but I cannot explain exactly why. It was large and seemed to have a coppery cast. It was attached to a wallet or folder. In his other hand, he held a small, chrome flashlight. I noticed a small red insignia on the end of it. It was then that I saw the second man standing below on the steps. When I asked what they wanted, the man with the badge said that they were looking for a man who, according to reliable information, was "holed up", (or some similar slang expression), with one of the tenants next door. He held out a picture. I remember thinking that, since we were yelling through the closed window, if the man they sought was next door, he would surely hear them. Since I could not see the picture clearly, I opened the door. (I am positive that the man said that they were "police", because as I opened the door, I remarked that I was hardly in any condition to talk with anybody, much less the police.) The first man, who did almost all of the talking, apologized for the lateness of the call and said that, since mine was the only light on in the vicinity, they had decided to "take a chance and ring the bell". He asked if there was a "caretaker" in the building next door. When I replied that there was not, he again held out the picture, asking if I had seen the person around there recently. I still could not see clearly, so I opened the screen door and told them to come in. (I don't know why, but I distinctly remember that he sort of chuckled and said, "Oh, all right.") They both entered. The first man was dark with black hair and brown eyes, and looked to be of Italian derivation. He was about 5'10",^{26 1/2"} of medium build, wore an almost constant smile and smelled strongly of shaving lotion. He had a decided dimple in his chin. He was wearing a dark suit, white shirt, dark tie, and a black raincoat or trench-coat. I seem to remember that he was wearing one glove and was carrying a hat, which he placed on a nearby chair. The second man had light brown hair, flecked with gray, cut in a "butch" style. His face was more wrinkled and his blue eyes had rather large circles or "bags" under them. I think that he had a round scar on the lower left side of his face and he wore a very serious, almost apprehensive expression. He was slightly taller and wore a gray suit under a black raincoat or trench-coat. He had no hat, but I think he, too, was wearing gloves. I have the impression that they were both wearing scarves, - one was dark red; the other was brown, blue and gray plaid. The first man was between 38 to 45 yrs. of age; the second looked older.

I took the picture across the room to look at it under the light from a table-lamp. The two men remained standing just inside the door. The picture was a combination of full face and profile views of a young man, probably in his early thirties. It was a rather ordinary face which would not make a striking, lasting impression. I have the impression that he, too, had a "butch" haircut. At least, it seemed shorter on the sides than the top. He had a dimple in his chin, and I remember noticing his ears particularly. I think that the photo was in a cellophane case, the multiple kind which holds credit cards, etc., but it was folded in such a way that the one picture was all I saw.

I told the men that I could not be sure that I had, or had not, seen such a person. The first man said, "He is a little older now than he was when that was taken." As I passed the picture back to him, the second man spoke for the first time. He said, "His name is Ray." The first man, who had been facing me, turned his head quickly and threw him a sharp look, as much as to say, "What did you say that for?" This was the definite impression I got, because I had been on the verge of asking what this person was wanted for, but upon seeing that look, I decided to ask no questions. (I am positive that the name was "Ray", because my brother's first name is Ray and I made that connection in my mind.) The first man turned back to me, resumed his smile, and said, "He is a really bad boy. We're very anxious to get him. Do you know any of the tenants next door? Do you have any idea what "flat" he might be in?" I replied that I had known only one of the tenants, but he had moved away just the previous day. I said that, as far as I knew, all the tenants were young men, with the exception of two girls who shared one of the second floor apartments. The second man then spoke for the second time. "They're who we should be talking to!" The first man readily agreed, indicating that if there were girls over there, Ray would have certainly made himself known to them. He asked me if I had seen a white car parked in front of the building recently. I described an off-white car, with red upholstery, I had seen there recently, but they did not seem to think that it was the one to which they had reference. Apologizing again, and going all through the same explanation of why they had "bothered" me, they left.

As I returned to the den, I heard them walking back between the buildings and up the stairs to the second floor next door. Again, I thought that they certainly weren't being at all quiet. I heard no sounds for between five to ten minutes. Then, I heard a door close, and they ran down the stairs, - not fast, just sort of trotting down, as if they were finished there and were leaving. As they walked back to the street, one of them said something that SOUNDED like, "We'd better step on the other side of and call Paul.....find him waiting around "barsteels".....3 or 4 o'clock....." Then I heard "Pacific Coast Highway" and something about a Freeway. I had the impression that they were going to a bar, and I wondered why, if this person was hiding out, he would be "waiting around" a bar. (It was more idle curiosity. I did not concentrate on what was being sa

I walked out to the kitchen window and saw them cross Ocean Blvd. and get into a dark-colored, late model car. They left the inside car light on and sat there for several minutes looking at a large map. I knew that it must be a map because of its size. I remember wondering why, if they were local police, as they had given me to understand, they would need a map. Then they turned out the light, but did not start the car right away. Just at that time, my husband came in from work. I told him to go back outside to see if a black car, with two men in it, was parked across the street. He returned to say that there was no car at all in the area I had indicated. It was exactly 12:20 A.M.

This whole episode "bugged" me. There was something "wrong" with it. I considered calling the Long Beach Detective Bureau immediately to check on it, but decided against it. I wondered, "Why the raincoats? It was not raining, nor was it chilly. (Such coats are seldom, if ever, seen in this area) Why were they so noisy, if they were actually trying to "catch" somebody? Who let them in next door? If nobody let them in, what were they doing up there so long? I had seen no lights in the building, but I was certain I had heard a door close. Why did they need a map? Why did I have the definite impression that the first man had not wanted the suspect's name divulged? etc. etc. etc.

It was at this point that I started to remember and piece things together, and my story now enters into the realm of conjecture, interpretation and, probably, my own imagination.

Almost every night, from the time we first moved here last October, I had heard the fellow who lives in the second floor apartment of the building next door, on the side facing me, get out a car at about 3:30 or 4:00 A.M., walk between the two buildings past my window, climb those same stairs and stop. Then I would hear his keys as he unlocked his door. The door would close noisily, his kitchen light would go on, shining down into my window, and I would hear him moving around in his kitchen. This occurrence was so regular and so much the same each night, that it became a sort of habit with me to listen for it before I went to sleep. Shortly after the visit from the two men, I suddenly realized that this fellow's "pattern" had changed some time recently. The same man was still coming home at the same time. I recognized the footsteps going up the stairs and stopping, but he did not unlock the door. It seemed to me that the door was being opened from the inside. Then I remembered that I had heard him speak, one night, saying, "It's me. Let me in." I had idly wondered about it at the time, but had attached no significance to it. It struck me that the lights in that apartment had been turned on during the evening for perhaps the last couple of weeks, where, previously, the windows had been dark. I mentioned this "change in pattern" to my husband, saying, "I'll bet the guy those men were looking for was up there." He laughed at me, telling me I was imagining things.

The fellow who lived in the first floor apartment in the building next door was in the process of moving out on the day President Johnson made his announcement of not running for office again. His first name was "Dick" and, although I did not know him well, I had had several conversations with him. His front door was so close to my kitchen door that I could hear everything that transpired over there almost as well as if I was in the same room. On that afternoon, I heard two fellows come down the stairs and stop at Dick's open door. One of them introduced the other to Dick, telling him that this person had been staying with him for several days. Dick expressed surprise that he had not been aware of the person having been there. I seem to remember that the man was planning to end his visit that evening or the following morning. Although I was not consciously listening to their conversation, I remember some discussion of a trip to Mexico and gathered that the "visitor" had been there recently. Dick was taking his time about getting his belongings packed into a U-Rent truck, so they stayed over there all afternoon, talking and drinking beer. There was a long conversation about renting a boat. (It may not have been on that same afternoon that I heard it, but I think it was.) Dick's was the only familiar voice to me, so I remember best what he said. He was very much impressed with the size of the boat, the sleeping quarters, etc. He asked about the cost of renting such a boat, etc. I know that nothing was said about fishing. I gathered that it was rented for the purpose of taking a rather long voyage or cruise. The two girls, previously mentioned, were also in and out of that apartment all afternoon, talking to the fellows. I distinctly remember that one of the girls said something about one of the men having taken dancing lessons. She seemed to think it was most unusual and rather humorous. From what was said, I realized that she was referring to ballroom dancing. That same evening, after Dick left, there were two or three couples dancing in the livingroom of the aforementioned second floor apartment. (I noticed it particularly, because it had never happened before, since I had lived here, - and it has never happened since.) When I took my dog out that evening, I glanced up at the windows and saw a tallish, slender, dark-haired fellow dancing with one of the girls. I did not recognize him. As I remember it in retrospect, it was just about that period of time that both my husband and I noticed a late model white automobile parked in a space behind that building. Neither of us is certain about the "make", but it was a compact car. It was there only a few days and has not been seen there since.

I did not connect any of this with the assassination of Martin Luther King until the name "James Earl Ray" was mentioned in the news. Then it really started to bother me as I compared the things I had seen and heard with what I read in the papers. I tried to clearly remember the photograph which had been shown to me that night. If that was a picture of the same "Ray", it was not the same picture as any of those I have seen published, with the possible exception of one which had been taken of him several years ago. However, because of the coincidences, the subject continued to bother me to such a degree that I finally telephoned the Long Beach Detective Bureau on the afternoon of May 2nd or 3rd. I got no satisfaction from the woman I talked with at that time, so I phoned back that night. The officer who answered told me that no men from his office had been looking for any man named Ray previous to the death of King. He advised me to call the F.B.I., which I did. The gentleman who answered the telephone in the Los Angeles Office of the F.B.I. that night quite obviously did not believe a word I said. He did assure me most definitely, however, that had any two men come to my door as I claimed, had they been F.B.I. Agents, they MOST CERTAINLY would have identified themselves QUITE CLEARLY as being from the FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION and there would be no subsequent doubt in my mind. I asked him, "If they were not Long Beach Detectives, and they were not F.B.I. Agents, who were they?" He did not seem to care. I tried to convince him that I was not a nut and was telling the truth, but he ended the conversation by telling me I had better forget the whole thing.

In the June 17th issue of The National Observer, there were four photographs printed on the front page. One of them was the usual one of James Earl Ray wearing the dark-rimmed glasses, but two of the others struck me immediately as looking vaguely familiar. I read underneath to see who they were. I studied the faces, even using a magnifying glass to see them more clearly. In order to help myself, I drew black coat collars on them. That didn't seem to make them look exactly right, so I made their hairlines recede a bit. That was better, but it seemed that one of them should have a "butch" haircut, so I gave him one. The more I fooled around with the pictures, the more certain I became that they were the two men who had come to my door that night looking for a man named "Ray". The two pictures were of the two men whose names James Earl Ray had been using, Ramon George Sneyd and Eric S. Galt!

7/29/68

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AIRMAIL

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM: SAC, BIRMINGHAM (44-1740)(P)

MURKIN
OO: MEMPHIS

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On 7/28/68, at 7:15 p.m., WILLIE JAMES McGUIRE, who gave his residence as 2747 Central Parkway, Los Angeles, California, telephonically contacted Birmingham Office and claimed he had been standing on balcony of Lorraine Motel close of victim MARTIN LUTHER KING at time "shots" fired, and claimed the "shots" were not fired from rooming house on Main Street, as claimed, but from another building located "behind Goldstein Clothing Store." McGUIRE said he was calling the FBI after being convinced by some friends that he should make his information known to the FBI. These friends had directed him to Mr. ERNEST POOLE, operator of a Negro funeral home in Birmingham who, on behalf of McGUIRE, put McGUIRE in telephonic contact with Birmingham Office. McGUIRE said he was a lease truck driver for Transcon Co., Los Angeles, and was leaving Birmingham at 9:00 p.m.

McGUIRE was contacted at Poole Funeral Home, 7/28/68, by Buagent, and furnished the following:

McGUIRE said he lived at 627 Alameda St., Los Angeles, telephone 827-3581, with his wife and children. He is employed as lease truck driver by Transcon Co., and presently en route to Los Angeles. On "the day KING got shot in Memphis" (exact date unrecalled by McGUIRE), McGUIRE arrived in Memphis with a load about 2:30 p.m. in his

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tractor-trailer, en route to Los Angeles. He was accompanied by a helper, JAMES THOMPSON, 1237 Abilene St., Sioux Falls, South Dakota. He parked the tractor-trailer near "3rd and Vance," near the Goodyear Tire Company and also near the "Queen Anne" Motel. He had to wait in Memphis to pick up some freight bills. Between 2:30 p.m. and about 5:45 p.m. he and THOMPSON, in the trailer, drank at least a pint of Seagram V.O. Whiskey, with at least three or four beers. (McGUIRE also advised that prior to contacting the FBI on 7/28/68, he had drunk a "couple of pints of whiskey. I drink a couple of pints every day.") At 5:45 p.m., McGUIRE checked into Room 337 or 347, "on the second floor" of the Lorraine Motel, where he was supposed to meet his "ex-wife," EVELYN JOHNSON, who lives in the 400 block of South Arlene St., Memphis. JOHNSON never kept the date.

About 6:00 p.m., McGUIRE observed MARTIN LUTHER KING arrive at the motel in a black Cadillac driven by a chauffeur and accompanied by a couple of other associates. KING walked up the stairs from the parking lot to the second floor balcony, where McGUIRE said "Hello." At the time McGUIRE was standing on the balcony looking out towards the parking lot, "just standing, looking, like Negroes do." KING said "Hello" to McGUIRE, as he recognized McGUIRE. McGUIRE said, "I seen him all over the world - he knew me." KING entered the room next door to the room occupied by McGUIRE and stayed in there for at least an hour, perhaps 90 minutes. At that time, KING came out of this room and McGUIRE was just leaving his room to go eat dinner. The chauffeur called up to KING to get a topcoat, as it was getting cool. KING walked back into his room and came out carrying a "brown beige topcoat over his left arm. I'll never forget that topcoat." McGUIRE was looking towards KING when he heard "two shots" come from his left. McGUIRE immediately looked to his left and saw the "flash" come from the second floor of a building located next to the Good-year store building, a distance of not more than 75 feet. McGUIRE did not see who fired the shots. He then looked back and saw KING lying on the floor. About then, a white man came up and put a sheet over KING.

McGUIRE then immediately left the motel and walked over to Main Street, near the "Goldstein store," where he

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observed a pistol on the street. About then, a white policeman picked up the pistol and put it in his squad car.

From there, McGUIRE went to the Queen Anne and drank until 3:00 a.m., when he went to his tractor-trailer parked nearby and went to sleep. At 8:00 a.m. the next day, he and THOMPSON left and drove back to Los Angeles. He stated he never returned to the Lorraine Motel, and had not taken any personal effects with him when he went there originally to meet his "ex-wife." McGUIRE said he was told several times after this by friends (whom he would not identify) that he would be in danger if he told what he knew, and that he had not told anyone what he knew and what he saw until his interview 7/28/68 by the FBI. After telling some Birmingham friends, they told him to contact Mr. ERNEST POOLE, who could give him the proper advice and put him in contact with the proper authorities.

FD-302 follows.

Any leads based on the information furnished by McGUIRE being left to discretion of origin in view of the many and obvious discrepancies.

Information copy being furnished Los Angeles in view of McGUIRE's residence and employment there.

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Date: 7-26-68

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via AIRTEL _____
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, RICHMOND
SUBJECT: MURKIN
(BUFILE 44-38861)
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KENSALT
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On 7-24-68, ROBERT C. CALLAHAN, President, Goode Motors, Inc., Bristol, Tenn., Dodge Dealer, advised that about May 18, 1968, he attended a conference of the National Automobile Dealers Association truck meeting at the Americana Hotel, Miami Beach, Fla., and one evening during dinner he was with a group of people which included "BUDDY" JENSEN, GMC truck dealer, Fairfield, Conn., when JENSEN made some statements to the effect he had attended some meetings and knew what was going to happen to MARTIN LUTHER KING and "BOBBY" KENNEDY. JENSEN reportedly said that KENNEDY would be killed and that he would never get into office. JENSEN did not mention what meetings he had attended or where the meetings were held. CALLAHAN said JENSEN had been drinking, he (CALLAHAN) had never met him before and there was some discussion concerning JENSEN's comments among the people present. CALLAHAN advised that FRANK GOODPASTURE, JR., Goodpasture Motor Company, Bristol, Va., as well as a man from Nashville, Tenn., and one from Ohio, who may have heard the comments of JENSEN. He said GOODPASTURE was a good friend of JENSEN and he would be able to evaluate JENSEN and his remarks.

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On 7-25-68, FRANK GOODPASTURE, JR., Goodpasture Motor Company, Bristol, Va., advised he has known JOHN A. JENSEN, aka "Buddy," General Motor Service and Truck Company, 386 State Street Extension, Fairfield, Conn., since 1959 and he has always found him to be a person of high morals, character and reputation. He said he attended the dinner at the Americana Hotel, Miami Beach, Fla, during the conference of the National Automobile Dealer Association, truck meeting, that JOHN A. JENSEN was present and he heard JENSEN was making remarks concerning segregation, however, since the remarks were not made to him, he could not recall any definite statements he may have made. He gathered from the remarks that JENSEN had some feelings regarding segregation as there had apparently been some trouble in Fairfield, Conn. He did not feel that JENSEN meant anything by his remarks and he put no significance in them, as he had been drinking. He recalled that ARTHUR IRWIN, Irwin GMC Inc., GMC dealer, Lima, Ohio, was present, as well as BILL WILSON, General Truck Sales, Murfreesboro Road, Nashville, Tenn., and ROBERT C. CALLAHAN, Goode Motor Co., Bristol, Tenn. After the meeting he, WILSON and IRWIN made a trip to Jamaica and they discussed the remarks of JENSEN and they put no significance to them. He said that if JENSEN is contacted he is sure he could explain his remarks.

No further action being taken in this matter and copies are being furnished to interested offices in case further inquiry is made regarding this matter.

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Date: 8/1/68

Transmit the following in _____
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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES
SUBJECT: MURKIN
(Bufile 44-38861)
(LA 44-1574)

KENSALT
(Bufile 62-587)
(LA 56-156)

Re Richmond airtel 7/26/68 concerning information furnished by ROBERT C. CALLAHAN concerning "BUDDY" JENSEN.

Re: JOHN A. JENSEN, aka "Buddy" Jensen

New Haven should contact Mr. JENSEN and have him clarify the source of his remarks as to what meetings he attended where the deaths of MARTIN LUTHER KING and Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY were discussed. FD-302 should be submitted.

Richmond is requested to submit interview of CALLAHAN on FD-302 to Los Angeles, as well as interview of FRANK GOODPASTURE.

Additional leads to interview ARTHUR IRWIN at Lima, Ohio, and BILL WILSON at Nashville will be held in abeyance until results of contact with JENSEN are known.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, Los Angeles

DATE: August 1, 1968

FROM : Director, FBI

SUBJECT: MURKIN
OO: MEMPHIS

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OO: LOS ANGELES

Re Richmond airtel dated 7/26/68, captioned as above.

Arthur Irwin, Lima, Ohio, and Bill Wilson, Nashville, Tennessee, both of whom were allegedly present at the time remarks attributed to Buddy Jensen were made, should immediately be interviewed and a determination made as to what, in fact, transpired.

New Haven should be advised of results and immediately thereafter Jensen should be interviewed in detail.

Submit results of interviews in 302 form to both Memphis and Los Angeles for inclusion in their respective cases.

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44-15746 serials 739/1283/1284 and memo's of SA Leslie F. Warren dated 7-19-68, 7-23-68 and 7-25-68

Case titled MURKIN

Information furnished was obtained:

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- from informants Florence Holloway(Simpkins
- from complainants or other sources

Information furnished to: Glendale Police Dept. Det. D.R. Hunt and Kenneth Hesse 7-19-68, 7-23-68-7-25-68

Remarks:

LAPD- Det. C.J. Blaney, Burglary Detail 7-25-68
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AIRMAIL

TO: Director, FBI (44-38861)
FROM: SAC, Sacramento (100-427) (P)
SUBJECT: MURKIN
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Re Atlanta airtel to Bureau and All Continental
Offices, 4/25/68.

RE: CARS STOLEN FROM GEORGIA
SUBSEQUENT TO 3/23/68

On April 30, 1968, MARGARETTA HUFF, Communications
and Auto Theft Section, California Highway Patrol, Sacramento,
California, furnished a complete list of cars stolen from
Georgia which were recovered in the State of California
subsequent to March 23, 1968. No cars were recovered in
the territories covered by the Sacramento or San Diego
Divisions.

Los Angeles, San Diego, and San Francisco were
advised telephonically of the results of above check.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC (44-1574) P

DATE: 5/3/68

FROM : SA GORDON B. PLAYMAN

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Reairtel Legat Mexico City to Director 4/23/68.

MRS. DAVID (JOAN) HEINZ, 415 Calle Granada, Santa Barbara, advised that she and her husband flew from Los Angeles via Mexicana Airlines to Puerto Vallarte, Mexico on Thursday, 10/26/67, arriving at 6:05 PM. They were booked by their travel service at the Hotel Rio, where they had a room on the second floor at an outside street corner of the hotel. They stayed there only one night and because of the noise of truck traffic outside their window they moved on Friday, 10/27/68 to another hotel, the name of which she recalled as the "Inn of the Jungle", a quarter of a mile away. They stayed there two nights and on Sunday morning, 10/29/68 they flew on to Guadalajara.

She recalled that they had observed no one coming in or out of any rooms at the Hotel Rio and she observed no one who resembled any of the photographs of subject RAY. She recalled no suspicious persons in Puerto Vallarte during the period they spent there and stated that although they observed several North Americans in various bars and dining places and struck up a conversation with one or two, they did not know the names of any other North Americans in town.

She stated that her husband is presently employed by Autonetics, a division of North American Aviation at Anaheim, and that she has sold their Santa Barbara home and will join him in a few weeks.

Her husband's business address is 3370 Miraloma Avenue, Anaheim, telephone 632-5379 or 5370. He lives in apartment H, 131 Fahrion Place, no tekephone.

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At Anaheim, California: Will contact DAVID HEINZ and interview him in accordance with reairtel.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

DATE: May 6, 1968

FROM : SA WILLIAM B. NOLAN, JR.

SUBJECT: MURKIN

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

Interview of Dr. and Mrs. E. G. SCHNEIDER, JR.

Dr. E. G. SCHNEIDER, Dentist, 315 South McClelland Street, Santa Maria, California, who resides at 2189 Lake Marie Drive, Santa Maria, advised on 5/6/68, that he and his wife took a vacation trip to Mexico at the end of October, 1967, and returned to Santa Maria during the first week of November, 1967. He stated they had not planned to stop at Puerto Vallarta but that their commercial airplane stopped there on account of bad weather, and they had to spend the night. He informed that they spent one night at the Hotel Rio, arriving in the evening and leaving the following morning. He stated that he could not recall the exact date they arrived at the hotel but that it was either one of the last days of October or the first days of November. Further that their room was on the second floor of the hotel but that he cannot recall the room number. He informed that they did not become acquainted with any of the other guests at the hotel, and did not talk with any of the other guests. Photographs of JAMES EARL RAY, aka were exhibited to Dr. SCHNEIDER and he stated that the photographs did not appear familiar to him.

Mrs. DELIGHT (E. G.) SCHNEIDER, 2189 Lake Marie Drive, Santa Maria, California, advised on 5/6/68, that she and her husband, Dr. E. G. SCHNEIDER, spent one night at Hotel Rio, Puerto Vallarta, Jalisco, Mexico, in the latter part of October or early part of November, 1967. Further that she and her husband arrived at the hotel in the evening and left the following morning, and that they did not meet or talk with any of the other guests at the hotel. Photographs of JAMES EARL RAY, aka were exhibited to Mrs. SCHNEIDER and she stated that the photographs did not appear familiar to her.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

DATE: 5/7/68

FROM : SA JAMES J. CONWAY

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Legat Mexico City airtel to Director 4/23/68.

On 5/6/68, Captain MARSHALL V. BEEBE, 49 Larkspur Avenue, Corona Del Mar, California, advised that during approximately November 1967 he traveled to Puerto Vallarta, Mexico, and stayed one night at the Hotel Rio. He advised that he traveled to Mexico to visit friends and during that time met no other Americans. He stated that he has seen many pictures of suspect JAMES EARL RAY in various publications but does not believe he has ever met this man and knows nothing about him.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

DATE: 5/6/68

FROM : SA CHARLES A. SHAW

SUBJECT: MURKIN

On 5/6/68 Mr. GELMER C. BOGGS, 10761 Landale St., North Hollywood, furnished the additional information to SA SHAW.

After thinking about the matter, Mr. BOGGS recalled that upon returning to the Hotel Rio In Puerto Vallarte on 10/18/68 he now recalls that starting on Thursday 10/19 for the next three days he saw a white Mustang bearing a Florida license plate and very muddy and dirty parked across from their bedroom window, on the very busy street located in front of the hotel. He saw no one around the car and on the fourth day, the car was gone. He thought it very unusual at the time because it would have been very difficult to drive there because of the bad weather and also it was unusual for a car to set on the street for so long without being moved.

In addition, he and his wife left the hotel on the morning of 10/21/67. While preparing to leave the hotel to go to the airport they observed an American woman, embrace an American man. All they could recall of the man in the hotel lobby is that he was a white, American, slightly taller than the woman, light colored hair, wearing a blue shirt and tan trousers. The girl then rode to the airport with them. She indicated that she was from San Francisco and was then catching a plane to Mexico City. She was described as a white, female in her late 20's, attractive, well built, medium build, appr. 5'6-7", brunet, well mannered and poised. Mr. BOGGS said that he thought it strange that the American man and woman parted at the hotel and he assumed they were both residents at the hotel. He did not recall having seen the man before.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

DATE: 5/3/68

FROM : SA CHARLES A. SHAW

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Legat letter to Bureau dated 4/23/68 (ser#969)

The following investigation was conducted by SA CHARLES A. SHAW.

At North Hollywood, California

Mr. and Mrs. GELMER C. BOGGS (not Selmer C. Goben, as set forth in ser#969), 10761 Landale St. were contacted on 5/3/68. Mr. BOGGS is and has been a Federal employee the past 21 years with Federal National Mortgage Co. and Mrs. BOGGS is a housewife. They advised that they vacationed in Mexico as follows; they left Los Angeles, 10/11/67 and stayed at Hotel Rio, Puerto Vallarta, Jalisco from 10/12 in room 208 as they recall until approximately 10/15. They then visited in Guadalajara, Jalisco returning to the Hotel Rio about 10/20 and returned to Los Angeles about 10/25/67.

They advised that they have visited in Mexico several times and this was but one of several trips to Mexico. They stated that while at the Hotel Rio they did not associate with other Americans as they enjoyed talking and visiting with the "natives". They even ate their meals at the hotel in the bar, rather than the dining room, so as to avoid the American tourists and have more time to talk with Mexicans. While at the hotel, they spoke very briefly with two or three other couples, one man being a Mormon professor from Salt Lake City and the other a retired banker. Both were shown available photo's of the subject with his full description however both stated that he was a complete stranger to them and neither recalled having seen or met anyone in Mexico even closely resembling the subject.

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TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

FROM : SA WILLIAM C. CARROLL

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 5/8/68

Re airtel to Bureau from Legat, Mexico City, Los Angeles serial 969.

On 5/6/68, RAYMOND D. MITCHELL was contacted at his residence, 12181 Ora Drive, Garden Grove, California. On that date Mr. MITCHELL advised that he and his wife and Mr. and Mrs. ALBERT FULLER had departed from the Fullerton Airport in their privately owned Cessna 210 for Puerto Vallarta, Jalisco, Mexico, arriving there on 10/30/67. Mr. MITCHELL stated that they stayed in the Hotel Rio until 11/2/67. While at the hotel they stayed in adjoining rooms on the second floor; however, Mr. MITCHELL could not furnish the exact room number.

MITCHELL stated that he did not recognize the photograph of RAY as anyone he observed at the hotel during his stay there. The photograph was also shown to Mrs. MARGARET ANN MITCHELL with negative results.

MITCHELL stated that he, his wife and the FULLERS took off from Puerto Vallarta for Guadalajara, Mexico, on 11/2/67 and returned to the U.S. from Guadalajara. MITCHELL stated that during their stay at the Hotel Rio they acted as normal tourists do visiting various places in Puerto Vallarta.

On 5/6/68, Mr. ALBERT FRANCIS FULLER was contacted at his residence, 11541 Garden Drive, Garden Grove, California. On that date Mr. FULLER stated he is a route man for the "Los Angeles Times" and is co-owner of a Cessna 210 airplane with RAYMOND MITCHELL. Mr. FULLER advised he recalls flying to Puerto Vallarta with his wife and the MITCHELLS around the last of October, 1967. He stated he recalls staying in the Hotel Rio but does not remember seeing any other American and definitely does not recognize the photograph of RAY as anyone he saw in the hotel.

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TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

DATE: 5/10/68

FROM : SA L. HOYT MC GUIRE

SUBJECT: MURKIN
CIVIL RIGHTS

Re Legat, Mexico City, airtel to Bureau dated 4/23/68
(44-1574-969).

The following individuals were all interviewed
on 5/3/68, and all advised after viewing photographs of
JAMES EARL RAY that they could not recall the subject having
been in Puerto Vallarta, Mexico:

Mr. and Mrs. ROBERT A. BRIGHAM
1730 Gates Avenue
Manhattan Beach, California
Telephone 376-9112

~~Mr. and Mrs. STEVEN JONES~~
Apartment 6,
4737 Artesia Boulevard
Lawndale, California
Telephone 370-6095

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SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-32837)

5/9/68

SA GEORGE M. KLING

HOWARD HAMPTON LIMERICK,
INFORMATION CONCERNING

On 5/8/68, at approximately 12:45 p.m. writer and SA CHARLES W. BADGLEY were driving out Wilshire Boulevard. A male white individual was seen running north across Wilshire Boulevard, approximately at the intersection of Sycamore Street and Wilshire Boulevard. This individual had what appeared to be blood running down his face. At the same time another individual was observed running in the opposite direction. The Columbia Bank is located in the immediate vicinity and it was decided to pursue the individual seen running north across Wilshire to determine what the circumstances were. As the vehicle was in the inside lane of traffic, it was impossible for us to turn on Sycamore and pursue the individual, and it became necessary to go one block west to La Brea and turn north. Subsequently, an unknown driver of a tow truck apparently recognized us as police officers and asked if we were looking for the individual involved in a hit and run accident at Melrose and La Brea. After turning up an alley and asking an unknown individual if he had seen the individual with the blood on his face, he replied that he had jumped over a fence into a residential area. The individual was located by the agents in a yard near an alley behind 640 La Brea. The agents identified themselves as ~~police officers~~ and asked the individual what had happened, and the individual replied, "I hit a car." Then he stated, "I want to talk to a lawyer." At this time a police car drove up and a uniformed officer of the Los Angeles Police Department got out and identified himself as Officer IRWIN, Badge Number 2200. He placed the individual under arrest and subsequently determined that a hit and run accident had in fact occurred near the La Brea - Melrose intersection. IRWIN then transported the individual to

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that location and agents also went to that location. At that location officers conducted a search of the individual in order to determine his identity. A search of the individual's wallet revealed numerous cards, addresses, and a temporary California driver's license, 363782DD, issued in the name HOWARD HAMPTON LIMERICK, 378 11th Street, San Pedro, California, dob [redacted] 5'11", 170 pounds. Officer KENNETH SHIPP, Badge Number 26, Accident Investigation Division, Los Angeles Police Department, arrived on the scene at this time and was conducting the major portion of the investigation. Also included among the effects of LIMERICK were numerous newspaper clippings taken apparently from the Los Angeles Times, all having reference to the assassination and investigation conducted regarding the murder of Doctor MARTIN LUTHER KING. SHIPP advised that LIMERICK would be booked at the Wilshire Division, Los Angeles Police Department, for drunk driving, and possible other charges. SHIPP further advised that other units of the Los Angeles Police Department had located LIMERICK's car and that it would be towed to the Wilshire Tow Company, 3100 West Pico, Los Angeles. A check of Indices revealed that the Los Angeles Office has a pending case involving subject LIMERICK, Los Angeles file 100-32837. SHIPP advised that it was determined that there were numerous addresses, obscene pictures, and other materials located in the car at time of recovery.

Above information furnished to Supervisors EDWARD R. SECORE and WILLIAM JOHN NOLAN.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

DATE: May 7, 1968

FROM : SA JAMES MC CAULEY

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re: ser. 969.

AT NORTH HOLLYWOOD, CALIFORNIA

The following investigation was conducted by SA JAMES MC CAULEY:

On May 3, 1968 neighborhood inquiry in vicinity of 17401 McCormick St., and contact with real estate agents, determined that FRANK G. MILLER and ROBERT KAMYKOWSKI reside at that address, although the house is being sold. Repeated efforts to contact MILLER and KAMYKOWSKI were negative on May 3, 1968.
AT HOLLYWOOD, CALIFORNIA

On May 6, 1968 ROBERT KAMYKOWSKI was interviewed where he is employed in the Note Dept. of the Croker Citizens National Bank, 6922 Hollywood Blvd. He said that he and his roommate FRANK G. MILLER arrived at Puerto Vallarta, Jal., Mexico on the early evening of October 22, 1967. They stayed in a corner room on the second floor of a hotel on the edge of town, which may be the Hotel Rio. The following day and night of October 23, 1967 they spent in the jungle at Yelapa. They returned to Puerto Vallarta on the afternoon of October 24, 1967 and departed early the next morning.

KAMYKOWSKI said that he and MILLER were constantly together. He said their only ~~non-Mexican~~ non-Mexican contacts in that area were an English couple, "TOM and SHEILA" from Monahans, Texas with whom they did some drinking at the bars and made the trip to Yelapa. This couple did not stay at the same hotel in Puerto Vallarta. KAMYKOWSKI could not identify the photo of subject taken in Mexico, or any other photo of subject, as having been anyone he has spoken with. He said that This would also apply for MILLER, since they ~~were~~ were constant companions on the trip. He advised that MR. MILLER has just started a new job as an outside salesman, and is very difficult to located.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC (44-1574)

DATE: 5/10/68

FROM : SA J.R.SULLIVAN

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Legat, Mexico City Airtel to Bureau 4/23/68

Following investigation conducted by SA J. ROBERT SULLIVAN

AT PASADENA, CALIFORNIA

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Mrs. H.M. HINES, Apt. C, 660 South Orange Avenue, on 5/3/68 advised that HAYES SCHLUNDT is a retired engineer, that his home is in Mexico. However, she states that he is temporarily visiting in California and that she anticipates hearing from him sometime in the following week. She does not know where he may be staying or touring and states she has no idea as to how to locate him.

Liaison was maintained with Mrs. HAYES on 5, 6, 7, ~~8, 9~~ 8, ~~9~~ and 9 and on the afternoon of May 9, Mr. SCHLUNDT called to advise he was staying very temporarily in Apartment 6, 130 N. Michigan, Pasadena.

SCHLUNDT was interviewed at the above address at which time he stated that he is a retired engineer and his home is in Mexico. He consulted his personal records and ascertained that he stayed at Hotel Rio, Puerto Vallarta, Jalisco, Mexico from October 28 to Oct. 31, 1967 and was in room 108. He examined all available photographs of the subject and states that he has no recollection of having seen him.

SCHLUNDT advised that he is returning to Mexico in June and will be living at Avenida Chapalita 1261, Colonia Chapalita, GUADALAJARA, JALISCO, Mexico.

SCHLUNDT was furnished extra copies of the photograph of RAY and requested to immediately contact the FBI in the event he sees the subject or obtains any information concerning him.

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TO : SAC (44-1574)

FROM : SA FRANK T. CALLAHAN

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 5/6/68

RE: Legat airtel to Director, 4/23/68

The following investigation was conducted by SA Frank T. Callahan at Van Nuys, Calif. 5/5/68

Mr. & Mrs. Gene S. Mantle, 7120 Texhoma, telephone 343-5837 advised that on ~~11/2/67~~ they had started a vacation trip to Mexico for 12 days. They stated that they had spent from the afternoon of 11/2 -7/67 at the Hotel Rio, Puerto Vallarta, Jalisco, Mexico, and had then proceeded on to Mexico City, Mexico where they had stayed until 11/12/67, and returned to their residence.

The Mantles advised that they had met several individuals names unrecalled on the above trip, and that the majority of people were on vacation trips in connection with the fishing derby being conducted during this time in Mexico.

Photographs of subject were exhibited to the Mantles with negative results, and they both advised that they could recall no one at the Hotel Rio or anywhere in Puerto Vallarta who resembled subject in any way.

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On May 1, 1968, JAMES D. WALLACE, SP #75682, born in 1933, said he is the clerk of C Hall. He said he "fell" from St. Louis in 1959 for Armed Robbery and other charges. He was paroled in 1965 and was returned for violation by reason of drunk driving on March 11, 1968.

He said he was raised with JAMES L. OWENS, the "fall partner" of JAMES EARL RAY. He said he knew OWENS in the Penitentiary and saw him on three or four occasions in St. Louis, Missouri, while he was out. He said he recalled that he was C Hall tender when RAY tried to go over the walls and his ladder or rope or something broke about 1966. He said he was not a good friend of RAY's in the Penitentiary and knew him only to speak with him. He said he saw RAY in St. Louis sometime during the summer of 1967. He said it was probably the early part of the summer. He said RAY was with OWENS. He was just coming out of the Jefferson-Gravois Bank, located at the same address. RAY and OWENS were just entering the bank. He stopped and said to them that he was glad he got his money out before they got in. He said RAY laughed and said that "they were putting in". He said his wife was waiting in a car at the curb and he did not stop to talk and he went on out and drove off.

He said he had no way to fix the date. He said he reflected, at the time, that RAY must have escaped because he knew he had attempted to escape and had been "set back" on parole and he had too much time to have been released.

He said he saw OWENS on other occasions. He recalled that in 1966 he went to take a Missouri State Driver's license examination. OWENS was there and they got to talking about the Penitentiary and the examiner made OWENS leave because he apparently thought he was getting answers to the questions. He said the people at the examining station mentioned that OWENS had been there before and caused them some trouble.

WALLACE said that RAY had the reputation of being the type of person who served his time without comment and did not "mess" in the affairs of other people. He said he did not think that RAY would kill anyone as he is just not the type. He also said he has never heard of any organization in the Penitentiary and has never heard the name of COOLEY used in connection with any type of business or "racket" inside the walls and he did not know anyone by that name.

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He said that inmates have over the years used cigarettes as medium of exchange in lieu of money and they make "parlay" bets on baseball games, horse races and other types of contests similar to bets made with money outside. He said he knew of no "lottery" as such involving cigarettes, but he said this might exist. He said there are "cliques" of prisoners who connive together for various reasons, and who become close associates, but there is no wide-spread organization and never has been to his knowledge. He said he certainly would be in position to know about it if there was and would have no hesitation in saying so if such existed.

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

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau and receiving Offices, is a self-explanatory investigative insert concerning an interview with JAMES D. WALLACE, an inmate at the Missouri State Penitentiary (MSP).

It is to be noted that WALLACE stated he saw subject with JAMES L. OWENS in St. Louis during the Summer of 1967. Also enclosed is a photograph of JAMES L. OWENS taken at the MSP.

The following is a description of JAMES LAOMA OWENS as it appeared in the MSP records:

Inmate #	00184
Race	White
Sex	Male
Born	<input type="text"/> at Elvins, Mo.
Height	5'4"
Weight	149 lbs.
Hair	Brown
Eyes	Blue

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TO DIRECTOR (44-38861), LOS ANGELES (44-1574) AND MEMPHIS
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FROM DENVER (157-203)

MURKIN

RE LITTLE ROCK TEL MAY TWENTY FOUR, CC TO DENVER.
DENVER SEES NO REASON TO CHECK FOR COLLECT TELEPHONE CALL
AGAINST TELEPHONE USED BY REX BASINGER IF LOS ANGELES
SUCCESSFUL IN DETERMINING WHEREABOUTS OF BRADLEY DURING
PERTINENT PERIOD. THEREFORE, DENVER WITHDRAWING REQUEST TO
CHECK FOR TELEPHONE CALL UNTIL RESULTS OF LOS ANGELES
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Memorandum

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

DATE: 7/11/68

FROM : SA DENNIS C. LE MASTER

SUBJECT: MURKIN

On May 27, 1968, the files of the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Office and the Los Angeles Police Department were caused to be reviewed by Investigative Clerks MERTON R. ANDERSON, Jr., and MILLARD T. ANDERSON, respectively. No record identifiable with JAMES C. JARDIN, aka, J.C. Hardin, was located in either instance.

On May 27, 1968, the files of the Retail Merchants Credit Association were caused to be reviewed by Investigative Clerk BERNARD P. BLAIS. No record identifiable with JAMES C. HARDIN was located.

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Birth Credit Criminal Motor Vehicle Death Marriage * INS

To <i>Merton R. Anderson, Jr.</i>	Buded
Return to <i>SA Dennis C. LeMaster</i>	File number <i>44-1574</i>

Name and aliases of subject, applicant, or employee, and spouse

James C. Hardin, aka "J.C."

Addresses

Residence _____

Business _____

Former _____

* Date and place of marriage (if applicable) _____

Race <i>Cauc</i>	Sex <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female	Age <i>35-40</i>	Height <i>5'7"-5'8"</i>	Weight <i>140</i>	Hair <i>dark brown</i>	Eyes
Birth date	Birthplace					
Arrest Number	Fingerprint classification			Criminal specialty		

Specific information desired

Background & photo

Results of check

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To J.C. Mallard & Anderson Buded

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Birth Credit Criminal Motor Vehicle Death Marriage* INS

To <i>Bernard P. Blais</i>	Buded
Return to <i>SA Dennis C. LeMaster</i>	File number <i>44-1574</i>

Name and aliases of subject, applicant, or employee, and spouse

James C. Hardin aka "J.C." wife → MARTHA

Addresses
Residence *(8/62) 7865 VICKSBURG AVE, LA.*

Business _____

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* Date and place of marriage
(if applicable)

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(3-13-64) Report of Ship & Request For Address, from MAY DIAMOND Co. - on - JAMES C. HARDIN - wife → IVE Jones 80.95, since 9/12/63

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