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when it was placed there or how long it had been there.

The indices of the Los Angeles Office contain no reference to JOHN WESLEY RAPFORD, JR., or JOHN WESLEY TUCKER.

Enclosed for the Laboratory is the original portion of the box, as furnished to SA PHILIP J. REILLY, for comparative examination with other samples of handwriting submitted in this matter.

Enclosed for the Bureau are three copies of a photograph of the handwriting. Two photographs of the above-described handwriting are enclosed for Jackson and Memphis.

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TO: DIRECTOR (44-38861) & MEMPHIS (44-7987)

FROM: JACKSON (157-9586) (P)

MURKIN.

RE LOS ANGELES AIRTEL TO BUREAU, NOVEMBER TWENTY
ONE, LAST.

RE LOS ANGELES AIRTEL SET OUT THAT MRS. W. PITMAN,
LELAND, CALIFORNIA, ON NOVEMBER TWELVE, LAST, OBSERVED
CARD BOARD BOX IN THE REAR PARKING AREA OF THE BANK WHERE SHE
WAS EMPLOYED. THIS BOX BORE PENCILLED HANDWRITING AS FOLLOWS
"JAMES EARL RAY, ONE ONE TWO TUCKER STREET, LELAND,
MISSISSIPPI, JOHN WESLEY RAFORD, JR., JOHN WESLEY TUCKER.
THE HANDWRITING APPEARED TO HAVE BEEN WRITTEN BY THE SAME
PERSON. ON THE BOX WERE NAMES JOHN AND JONOUR.

JACKSON INDICES CONTAIN NO RECORD OF RAFORD AND
TUCKER OR SIMILARITIES THEREOF OF JONOUR.

CHIEF OF POLICE E. J. DEAN, LELAND, MISS., ADVISED

1 - Jackson
1 - Los Angeles (44-1574) (AM)

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Approved: RK

Special Agent in Charge

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INSTANT DATE THAT MRS. MARGARET BERRY, NEGRO, LIVES AT ONE ONE TWO TUCKER STREET, LELAND. ADVISED HE HAS NO ARREST RECORD FOR HER. CHIEF DEAN ADVISED THAT NAMES OF JOHN WESLEY RAFORD, JR., JOHN WESLEY TUCKER AND JONOUR ARE UNKNOWN TO HIM. HE KNOWS OF NO ONE IN LELAND BY THE NAME OF JAMES EARL RAY AND OF NO ONE IN CALIFORNIA WHO MAY HAVE BEEN RESPONSIBLE FOR THE LELAND ADDRESS ON THE BOX.

MRS. MARGARET BERRY, ONE ONE TWO TUCKER STREET, LELAND, MISS., ADVISED INSTANT DATE THAT SHE HAS LIVED AT THIS ADDRESS SINCE JANUARY, FIFTY FOUR, WHEN SHE PURCHASED THE HOUSE. SHE LIVES AT THIS RESIDENCE WITH TWO YOUNG NIECES. SHE ADVISED THAT SHE HAS NO IDEA WHY A BOX SHOULD BE LOCATED IN CALIFORNIA WITH HER ADDRESS ON IT. THE NAMES JOHN WESLEY RAFORD, JR., JOHN WESLEY TUCKER AND JONOUR ARE UNKNOWN TO HER. SHE ADVISED SHE HAS A NEPHEW EDDIE JONES AND A NIECE RUBY JONES AS OF FORTY SEVEN, IN LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA. SHE HAS HEARD NOTHING FROM THEM SINCE THAT TIME. SHE HAS NO RELATIVES OR FRIENDS IN CALIFORNIA.

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SHE KNOWS OF TWO BOYS FROM LELAND WHO ARE IN CALIFORNIA,
CITIES UNKNOWN, BY THE NAMES OF FIRST NAME UNKNOWN WARREN
AND JAMES LOVEY. THESE BOYS, WHILE IN LELAND, LIVED ON
THE OTHER SIDE OF TOWN AND WERE NOT CLOSELY ASSOCIATED
WITH HER.

LOS ANGELES BEING ADVISED BY AIRMAIL. END.

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REPORT
of theFEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

Date: November 26, 1968

Re: MURKIN
CRFBI File No. 44-38861
Lab. No. D-681125011 JK

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John Edgar Hoover, Director

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Examination requested by: Los Angeles

Reference: Airtel 11/21/68

Examination requested: Document - Fingerprint

Remarks:

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Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

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LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION

YOUR FILE NO. **44-1574**
 FBI FILE NO. **44-38861**
 LATENT CASE NO. **91075**

November 29, 1968TO: **SAC, Los Angeles**

RE: **MURKIN**
CR

REFERENCE: **Airtel 11-21-68**
 EXAMINATION REQUESTED BY: **Los Angeles**
 SPECIMENS: **Portion of cardboard box, Q410**

Listed Q specimen is described in the Laboratory report, which is being furnished separately.

No latent impressions of value developed on Q410, which is enclosed.

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2 - Memphis (44-1987)
1 - Jackson

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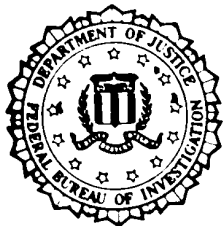
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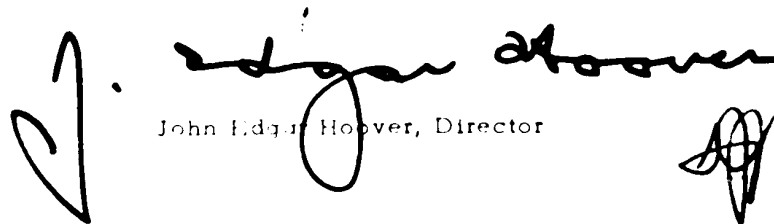
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