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THIS HE CONSIDERED TO BE A THREAT AND THIS WAS LAST CONTACT HE EVER HAD WITH THIS INDIVIDUAL AND DOES NOT NOW REMEMBER HIS NAME OR THE NAME OF HIS NEPHEW, THE AIRMAN WHO SUPPOSEDLY WAS STATIONED WITH HIM AT SEYMORE JOHNSON AFB. SMITH SAID THE INDIVIDUAL IN THE BAR WAS WM, FORTYFIVE YEARS OF AGE, FIVE SEVEN, GRAY HAIR, HEAVY BUILD, TWO HUNDRED TWENTY LBS., AND DROVE A NEW CORVETTE. SMITH SAID HE HAD NO OBJECTION TO HAVING HIS IDENTITY REVEALED IN CONNECTION WITH THIS INVESTIGATION.

FOLLOWING ABOVE INTERVIEW, SMITH AGAIN RECONTACTED NASHVILLE RA AND SAID HE HAD BEEN FIRED FROM HIS JOB. AFTER RECEIPT THIS INFORMATION, C. E. WEAVER, GENERAL MANAGER, WESTERN AUTO STORE, WAS CONTACTED. WEAVER SAID HE HAD NOT FIRED EARL SMITH BUT HAD TOLD SMITH TO GO HOME AS SMITH WAS DRINKING ON THE JOB. WEAVER FURTHER STATED SMITH WAS SUPPOSED TO BE AT MEETING OF EMPLOYEES AT SIX THIRTY A.M., APRIL ELEVEN, SIXTYEIGHT, BUT FAILED TO ARRIVE. WEAVER SENT MAN TO LOCATE SMITH AT SMITH'S RESIDENCE. THIS MAN REPORTED TO WEAVER THAT SMITH WAS DRUNK PREVIOUS EVENING AND OVERSLEPT, MISSING MEETING. WEAVER SAID HE CONSIDERS SMITH DECEITFUL, UNRELIABLE, AND PROBABLY A HEAVY DRINKER, AND HAD BEEN CONSIDERING

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TERMINATING SMITH'S EMPLOYMENT.

AS RESULT OF RUMORS AND STATEMENTS OF THIS TYPE, WHICH PRESS SEEMS TO HAVE PARTICULAR AFFINITY FOR FINDING, INQUIRY WAS MADE OF NASHVILLE OFFICE FOR DATA RE EARL SMITH. ALL PRESS INQUIRIES HAVE BEEN ANSWERED WITH GENERAL STATEMENT THAT FBI HAD NO COMMENT TO MAKE RE INVESTIGATION INSTANT CASE. REPRESENTATIVE OF NASHVILLE TENNESSEAN, WAYNE WHITT (PHONETIC), REPORTED ~~██████████~~ <sup>BY A LIFE</sup> CORRESPONDENT OR STRINGER IN NASHVILLE, TENN., ADVISED ~~██████████~~ HE HAD TALKED TO MAN IN A BAR WHO TOLD HIM STORY ABOUT FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS FOR FIFTY HAND GRENADES AND A SO CALLED PLOT TO KILL DR. KING. THE REPORTER REPORTEDLY TOLD THE MAN IN THE BAR THAT THE FBI HAD REFUSED TO MAKE COMMENT REGARDING ANY SO CALLED INTERVIEW OR ANY INFORMATION CONCERNING HIM, WHEREUPON THE MAN IN BAR TOLD REPORTER, "THAT SHOWS HOW IMPORTANT MY INFORMATION IS. I'M HOLDING OUT FOR MORE MONEY." IN VIEW OF APPRAISAL OF MR. SMITH BY HIS EMPLOYER, ALLEGING HIS DRINKING, DECEITFULNESS, AND UNRELIABILITY, IT IS APPARENT SMITH HAS SOLD BILL OF GOODS TO A NEWSPAPER REPORTER WHILE IN A TAVERN.

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**VARIOUS LOOK-ALIKES REPORTED AND ELIMINATED  
THIS DATE MEMPHIS DIVISION. INVESTIGATION CONTINUING.**

**NO OTHER PERTINENT DATA DEVELOPED MEMPHIS  
DIVISION THIS DATE.**

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FBI MEMPHIS

FBI PHOENIX

732 PM URGENT 4/22/68 DLN

TO DIRECTOR (44-38861), MEMPHIS (44-1987), LITTLE ROCK (157-1215),  
DALLAS (44-2649), KANSAS CITY, AND JACKSONVILLE.

FROM PHOENIX (44-371) 2P

MURKIN. CR. 00: MEMPHIS.

REPXTEL APRIL TWENTYONE LAST.

EDNA WILSON, WIFE OF DAVID L. WILSON, LISTENED TO TAPE OF ANONYMOUS TELEPHONE CALLER AND STATED SHE HAS HEARD THE VOICE BEFORE AND BELIEVES IT IS THAT OF HER FORMER HUSBAND RICHARD HARRELL, AKA JIMMY, FROM WHOM SHE SEPARATED IN LATE FIFTYTHREE. HARRELL WAS COMMITTED THERAFTER TO ARIZONA STATE PENITENTIARY, FLORENCE ARIZONA, FROM FLAGSTAFF SO, AND SHE BELIEVES HE HAS BEEN IN PEN ELSEWHERE ALSO. SHE MARRIED HARRELL AT LAKE VILLAGE, ARKANSAS WHERE HIS PARENTS LIVE AND FATHER IS BELIEVED NAMED EMMET HARRELL. HE ALSO HAS A MARRIED SISTER FANNIE LNU AT MC GEE, ARKANSAS. AFTER SHE MARRIED DAVID WILSON THEY WENT TO IDAHO IN SUMMER OF NINETEEN SIXTYFIVE AND AT THAT TIME HARRELL CAME TO RESIDENCE OF HER SISTER TILLIE HERNANDEZ AT FLAGSTAFF LOOKING FOR EDNA WILSON. IT IS NOTED ANONYMOUS CALLER MENTIONED HE HAD BEEN OUT TO THE HERNANDEZ HOUSE ONCE.

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RECORDS OF COCONINO COUNTY SO, FLAGSTAFF, UNDER NUMBER FOUR EIGHT THREE NINE, CONCERN RICHARD BURNHAM HARRELL, AKA JIMMY, BORN MARCH SEVEN TWENTYSIX AT PUCKETT, MISSISSIPPI, FIVE FEET SIX, ONE ONE FIVE POUNDS, IN NINETEEN FIVE FIVE. WRITTEN NOTATION INDICATES POSSIBLE FBI NUMBER FOR HARRELL IS SEVEN FIVE ONE ONE NINE FIVE A.

IDENTIFICATION DIVISION ATTEMPT TO LOCATE ARREST RECORD FOR HARRELL AND FURNISH SAME WITH PHOTOS TO RECEIVING OFFICES.

LITTLE ROCK AT LAKE VILLAGE LOCATE PARENTS OF HARRELL AND OTHER RELATIVES AND INSTITUTE INVESTIGATION TO DETERMINE HIS WHEREABOUTS FOR INTERVIEW.

PHOENIX WILL CONTACT ASP, FLORENCE, ARIZONA, FOR FURTHER INFORMATION ON HARRELL.

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FBI NEW ORLS

838PM URGENT 4/22/68 OLP

TO DIRECTOR AND MEMPHIS  
FROM NEW ORLEANS (157-10673)

MURKIN

RE MEMPHIS TELETYPES TO DIRECTOR APRIL EIGHTEEN  
AND APRIL TWENTY, SIXTYEIGHT; MEMPHIS AIRTEL TO NEW ORLEANS  
APRIL TWENTY, SIXTYEIGHT; AND MEMPHIS TELEPHONE CALL  
TO NEW ORLEANS APRIL TWENTYTWO, SIXTYEIGHT.

VINCENT LIBERTO, ANTHONY LIBERTO, AND MRS.  
EMMA LIBERTO LOCATED AND INTERVIEWED THIS DATE. VINCENT AND  
ANTHONY HAD NO TELEPHONIC CONTACT WITH BROTHER FRANK IN  
MEMPHIS IN SIXTYEIGHT. MRS. LIBERTO CONTACTED  
SON FRANK IN MEMPHIS COUPLE OF DAYS AFTER THE  
ASSASSINATION PURELY OUT OF CONCERN FOR THE FAMILY THERE.  
NONE OF THE LIBERTO BROTHERS RESIDING IN NEW ORLEANS IN  
THE PRODUCE BUSINESS. ANTHONY IS RETIRED DIABETIC FORMERLY  
WORKING FOR VIKING TRUCK LINES; VINCENT PRESENTLY A  
TRUCKER WITH VIKING; SALVATORE PRESENTLY EMPLOYED WITH  
WEST BROTHERS TRUCKING. MRS. LIBERTO STATES SON FRANK  
STOPPED TO VISIT LAST FRIDAY AFTER A TRIP TO HAKMOND, LA.,  
AREA TO BUY STRAWBERRIES. ALL FAMILY MEMBERS INTERVIEWED  
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STATE NO KNOWLEDGE OF ASSASSINATION EXCEPT FROM READING  
AND WATCHING NEWS MEDIA. VINCENT ADVISED AFTER VIEWING  
PHOTO OF RAY HAD SEEN IN NEWSPAPER AND TV BUT NO OTHER  
KNOWLEDGE. MRS. LIBERTO AND ANTHONY VIEWED PHOTOGRAPH  
AND STATED LOOKED FAMILIAR BUT COULD NOT IDENTIFY IT.  
SALVATORE LIBERTO UNAVAILABLE TO DATE AND WILL BE  
INTERVIEWED EARLY AM APRIL TWENTYTHREE, NEXT.  
THREE ZERO TWO'S FOLLOW.

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FBI JACKSVLE

848 PM EST URGENT 4-22-68 JLC

TO: BUREAU , MEMPHIS, KANSAS CITY, PHOENIX

FROM: JACKSONVILLE (44-769)

MURKIN

RE PHOENIX TELETYPE TO BUREAU, ETAL, APRIL TWENTYONE LAST AND  
DALLAS TELETYPE TO BUREAU, ETAL, APRIL TWENTYTWO LAST.

RE : DAVID LINDSEY WILSON; CLARENCE CLARK

RECORD FLORIDA STATE PRISON, RAIFORD, FLORIDA, REFLECT WILSON,  
INMATE NUMBER SIX FOUR SEVEN FOUR SEVEN FOUR SEVEN, FBI NUMBER  
LISTED AS SEVEN NINE TWO TWO FOUR TWO C, RECEIVED NOVEMBER  
TWENTYONE NINETEEN FIFTYEIGHT TO SERVE TWO YEARS FOR ESCAPE  
FROM PASCO COUNTY, FLORIDA, JAIL WHERE HE WAS ORIGINALLY  
CONVICTED ON ROBBERY CHARGE. WILSON RELEASED APRIL SIX  
NINETEEN SIXTY UPON EXPIRATION OF SENTENCE. NO RECORD OF  
A CLARENCE CLARK BASED ON INFORMATION FURNISHED AT RAIFORD,  
FLORIDA.

RECORDS FLORIDA DIVISION OF CORRECTIONS, TALLAHASSEE,  
FLORIDA, REFLECT NO FUTHER RECORD ON WILSON AND NO RECORD FOR  
CLARK.

RECORDS FCI, TALLAHASSEE, REFLECT WILSON RECEIVED FROM  
TEXARKANA, TEXAS, JANUARY, NINETEEN SIXTYTWO AND PAROLED SEPTEMBER  
FOUR NINETEEN SIXTYTWO. NO RECORD ON CLARK.

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FBI MEMPHIS

FBI WASH DC

1250PM URGENT 4/22/68 WPK

TO MEMPHIS 44-1987

FROM WASHINGTON FIELD 44-703 1P

MURKIN

METROPOLITAN POLICE DEPARTMENT OFFICER THOMAS R. OWENS WASHINGTON, D. C., OBSERVED WHITE MALE BEARING RESEMBLANCE TO JAMES EARL RAY RIDING IN SIXTYFIVE WHITE FORD BEARING CURRENT TENNESSEE TAGS DP FIVE TWO NINE FIVE AT WASHINGTON, D. C., THIS DATE. AUTO OPERATED BY NEGRO MALE WITH NEGRO MALE PASSENGER.

MEMPHIS AT DMV, NASHVILLE, OBTAIN TAG REGISTRATION DATA AND DETERMINE WHEREABOUTS OF REGISTERED OWNER. SET FORTH LEADS TO LOCATE AND HANDLE.

AIRMAIL COPIES TO KANSAS CITY AND KNOXVILLE.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS. P

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FBI ST LOUIS

311 PM URGENT 4-22-68 GMC

TO: DIRECTOR, MEMPHIS AND KANSAS CITY  
FROM ST. LOUIS 44-775

MURKIN; CIVIL RIGHTS. OO: MEMPHIS

LETTER RECEIVED THIS DATE FROM MRS. HUGH L. KING, (FOUR SIX THREE TWO, PERSHING PLACE, ST. LOUIS, MO, STATING SHE OBSERVED INDIVIDUAL OF SUBJECT RAY'S APPEARANCE DRIVING CAR WITH TENNESSEE LICENSE J H SIX FIVE SEVEN EIGHT NEAR HARLANSVILLE, KY., APRIL FIVE, LAST. NO DESCRIPTION OF CAR.

MEMPHIS, DETERMINE IDENTITY THROUGH LICENSE REGISTRATION AND DETERMINE WHEREABOUTS PERTINENT DATES.

SUBJECT ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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to Harbo  
RW  
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FBI CHICAGO

403PM URGENT 4-22-68 EMS

TO MEMPHIS (44-1987)

FROM CHICAGO (44-1114)

MURKIN.

COMPLAINANT BERNICE THOMAS TELEPHONICALLY CONTACTED CHICAGO OFFICE ADVISING THAT ON APRIL NINETEEN LAST, SHE SAW A MAN RESEMBLING THE SUBJECT SITTING IN THE BACK SEAT OF A CAR BEARING SIXTY SEVEN TENNESSEE LICENSE BW TWO SEVEN THREE NINE. THE CAR WAS TRAVELING AND A MAN AND A WOMAN WERE SITTING IN THE FRONT SEAT.

MEMPHIS IDENTIFY OWNER OF FOREGOING PLATE, OBTAIN CHICAGO ADDRESS AND SUTEL PERTINENT LEADS TO ELIMINATE.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

END

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FBI MEMPHIS

(Reg. to) JAN THOMAS BROTZ  
 2292 NELSON  
 Memphis  
 1957 Chev. Belaire  
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*assign lead to  
 eliminate Ronan*

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John T. Galt

Wanda Bread - Slip C/12

2343 Dwight Rd. Apt 4

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TO: SAC, INDIANAPOLIS

FROM: SAC, CHICAGO (44-1114)

MURKIN

ANONYMOUS MALE TELEPHONICALLY ADVISED THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS ALL OF GARY, INDIANA, ARE REPORTEDLY IN POSSESSION OF INFORMATION CAPTIONED MATTER DALE BAXTER RESIDES FORTIETH AND TYLER, SHIRLEE MACKOWIAK, RESIDES FORTIETH AND TENNESSEE AND JACK WEISSBUCH RESIDES FOUR ONE SIX ZERO BROADWAY.

CALLER STATED THESE INDIVIDUALS HAVE BEEN BRAGGING THEY HAVE INFORMATION CONCERNING KING'S MURDER AND KNOW THE WHEREABOUTS OF THE SUSPECT PRESENTLY BEING SOUGHT. STATED FBI DOES NOT HAVE ACTUAL WEAPON BUT THE WHEREABOUTS OF SUCH WEAPON IS KNOWN TO THE ABOVE TRIO. CALLER DECLINED TO FURNISH ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AND TERMINATED, *CALL*

INDIANAPOLIS AT GARY, INDIANA, INTERVIEW THE FOREGOING INDIVIDUALS FOR ANY INFORMATION OF PERTINENCE THEY MIGHT HAVE.

AM COPY MEMPHIS.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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TO: SAC, BALTIMORE (44-669)

FROM: SAC, WFO (44-703)

MURKIN

RE: JOHN WILLARD

DAVID ECCLESTON, PRODUCER, RADIO STATION AMERICAN UNIVERSITY WASHINGTON, D. C., ADVISED WFO A FAN LETTER CONCERNING THEIR COUNTRY MUSIC PROGRAM HANDLED BY SPOTS WOOD, DISC JOCKEY, RECEIVED APPROXIMATELY ONE WEEK AGO WAS SIGNED WILLIAM JOHN WILLARD, ONE THREE ONE SOUTH MADIERA STREET, BALTIMORE, MARYLAND. HANDWRITING APPEARS TO BE THAT OF A CHILD.

BALTIMORE DETERMINE IF WILLIAM JOHN WILLARD ABOVE IDENTICAL WITH RAY. AIRMAIL COPY TO MEMPHIS.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS. P

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- ① - Memphis (44-1987) (AM)
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FBI PITTSBGH

912 AM 4/23/68 URGENT RAN

TO DIRECTOR, CLEVELAND, AND MEMPHIS  
FROM PITTSBURGH (44-573)

MURKIN

RE CLEVELAND TELETYPE , FOUR TWENTY LAST.

CHARLES WILLIAM MOATS, JR., LOCATED FOUR TWENTYTWO LAST,  
AT DIXIE HOTEL, WESTON, W.VA. HE SUPPLIED SUFFICIENT  
INFORMATION TO IDENTIFY HIM AS PERSON MENTIONED RE CLEVELAND  
TELETYPE. MOATS EMPLOYED ON AN ORE BOAT "MIDDLETON" OUT OF  
TOLEDO, OHIO, THREE ELEVEN THROUGH FOUR EIGHTEEN LAST. FROM  
DESCRIPTION AND IDENTIFICATION IN HIS POSSESSION, MOATS  
DETERMINED AS NOT IDENTICAL WITH SUBJECT THIS CASE. MAIL  
COPY TO WFO AND KANSAS CITY.

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TO: LITTLE ROCK  
FROM: MEMPHIS (44-1987) 1p

MURKIN.

MRS. ROSIE NEIGHBORS, THREE THREE ONE SEVEN STARS DALE, MEMPHIS, TENN., ADVISED AT APPROXIMATELY EIGHT TWENTY FIVE A.M. THIS DATE SHE OBSERVED AN INDIVIDUAL RESEMBLING SUBJECT THIS INVESTIGATION DRIVING AN OLD MODEL FADED WHITE BUICK BEARING ARKANSAS LICENSE AGV - ONE THREE ZERO. THIS INDIVIDUAL TOOK THE INTERSTATE FIFTY FIVE EXIT INTO ARKANSAS ACROSS THE MEMPHIS ARKANSAS BRIDGE.

LITTLE ROCK DETERMINE IF REGISTERED OWNER OF THIS VEHICLE IS IDENTICAL WITH SUBJECT.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS. P.

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FBI OKLA CITY

1120AM URGENT 4/23/68 EPC

TO DIRECTOR 44-38862, MEMPHIS 44-1937, DALLAS AND SAN ANTONIO  
FROM OKLAHOMA CITY 44-636 2P

MURKIN. OO - MEMPHIS.

INDIVIDUAL USING NAME RICHARD BURNS, ONE THREE ZERO ZERO  
EIGHT E. AVE., FT. WORTH, TEXAS, CLAIMING EMPLOYMENT ELCO CORP.,  
NO ADDRESS, REGISTERED QUO VADIS MOTOR HOTEL, PONCA CITY, OKLA.  
APRIL NINE LAST, FOUR THIRTYFOUR P.M., INDICATING VEHICLE  
NINETEEN SIXTYSEVEN MODEL, TEXAS LICENSE, FIRST LETTER ILLEGIBLE,  
C L DASH SEVEN TWO ONE, ON REGISTRATION CARD, AND SKIPPED BILL  
APRIL TEN LAST, AFTER HAVING THREE MEALS FURNISHED TO ROOM.

DESK CLERK AND BELLBOY, WHO DELIVERED TWO MEALS TO ROOM,  
STATE THIS INDIVIDUAL STRONGLY RESEMBLED PREVIOUSLY OBSERVED  
NEWSPAPER PHOTOS OF SKETCH OF SUBJECT AND SIXTYEIGHT PHOTO OF  
GALT. DESK CLERK CHECKED FOR VEHICLE OF BURNS, WHICH WAS  
BELIEVED TO BE SIXTYSEVEN FORD THUNDERBIRD, TEXAS LICENSE F D H  
FOUR FIVE THREE, WHICH WAS ONLY TEXAS VEHICLE AND ONLY FORD  
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THUNDERBIRD PARKED IN THAT AREA OF MOTEL PARKING, AND MADE  
PRETEXT CALL TO BURNS' ROOM DURING WHICH HE WAS ADVISED BURNS  
DROVE THUNDERBIRD. REGISTRATION CARD AND MEAL TICKETS OBTAINED  
FOR FINGERPRINT EXAMINATION.

SAN ANTONIO AT AUSTIN. ASCERTAIN REGISTRATION SIXTYSEVEN  
TEXAS F D H FOUR FIVE THREE, AND SET OUT LEAD TO IDENTIFY OR  
ELIMINATE BURNS.

DALLAS AT FORT WORTH. ATTEMPT TO IDENTIFY RICHARD BURNS,  
ONE THREE ZERO ZERO EIGHT E. AVE., AND/OR ELCO CORPORATION,  
TO IDENTIFY AND/OR ELIMINATE BURNS.

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FBI JACKSVLE

1231 PM URGENT 4/23/68 DHM

TO DIRECTOR, MEMPHIS, BIRMINCHAM, MIAMI  
FROM JACKSONVILLE /44-769/ 1P

MURKIN.

RE CHARLOTTE TEL TO JACKSONVILLE, APRIL EIGHTEEN, LAST; MIAMI  
TEL TO BUREAU, ETAL, APRIL TWENTYSECOND, LAST.

RE NINETEEN FIFTYFIVE OR FIFTYSIX DODGE BEARING FLA. LICENSE  
WITH PREFIX NUMBER TEN W OBSERVED BY HIGHWAY PATROL, NEWTON, N. C.

MVS, TALLAHASSEE, ADVISED THEY ARE NOT COMPUTERIZED AND IT WOULD  
BE NECESSARY TO PHYSICALLY PULL AND REVIEW SOME ONE HUNDRED FIFTEEN  
THOUSAND REGISTRATION CARDS TO SEGREGATE FIFTYFIVE AND FIFTYSIX AUTOS  
REGISTERED IN BROWARD COUNTY.

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FBI MIAMI

156 PM URGENT 4/23/68 SHR  
TO DIRECTOR, BIRMINGHAM, HOUSTON, MEMPHIS AND LOS ANGELES  
FROM MIAMI 44-1354

MURKIN

RE LOS ANGELES TEL MIAMI, APRIL TWENTYTWO, LAST.

RE JAMES EARL RAY - LOOK-A-LIKE.

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

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

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URGENT

TO DIRECTOR (44-38861) (MAIL) AND RICHMOND  
FROM CLEVELAND (44-565) 1P

MURKIN, OO: MEMPHIS.

AARON STARBOIN, ONE TWO TWO THREE EAST GLENBROOK ROAD,  
BAYSIDE, WISCONSIN, AN ATTORNEY, TELEPHONICALLY CONTACTED  
THE CLEVELAND OFFICE AND ADVISED THAT ON APRIL NINETEEN  
NINETEEN SIXTYEIGHT, HE AND HIS FAMILY STOPPED AT ARTHUR'S  
GRILL, LOCATED ON THE MAIN STREET IN CHARLOTTESVILLE,  
VIRGINIA.

STARBOIN ADVISED THAT THE COUNTERMAN AT ARTHUR'S GRILL  
VERY STRONGLY RESEMBLES THE PHOTOGRAPH OF ERIC STARVO GALT.

STARBOIN ADVISED THAT THE COUNTERMAN HAD GRAY HAIR,  
CREWCUT, FIVE FEET TEN, ONE SEVENTYFIVE POUNDS.

RICHMOND AT CHARLOTTESVILLE WILL ATTEMPT TO LOCATE,  
IDENTIFY, AND ELIMINATE ABOVE DESCRIBED MALE.

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TELETYPE

URGENT

TO SAC SAN DIEGO

FROM DIRECTOR FBI (44-38861)

MURKIN.

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

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

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TELETYPE TO SAC SD  
RE: MURKIN

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

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.



**DECODED COPY** **Radio**

APRIL 23, 1968

 **Teletype**

TO: ALL FIELD DIVISIONS

FROM: BUREAU

URGENT

MURKIN.

RENEAIRTEL TO ALL OFFICES APRIL 19, LAST FURNISHING BACKGROUND DATA CONCERNING JAMES EARL RAY.

SUBJECT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED POSSIBLE SUSPECT IN ANY UNSOLVED BANK ROBBERIES, BURGLARIES OR ARMED ROBBERIES (POSSIBLE ITSP VIOLATIONS) OCCURRING AFTER APRIL 23, 1967. RAY SHOULD ALSO BE CONSIDERED SUSPECT IN ANY FUTURE SUCH VIOLATIONS AND BUREAU ADVISED TELEPHONICALLY OF ANY TENTATIVE IDENTIFICATION.

PERTINENT LEADS DEVELOPED DURING REVIEW OF PAST VIOLATIONS SHOULD BE EXPEDITIOUSLY RUN OUT AND BUREAU ADVISED.

SUBJECT'S HANDWRITING AND HAND PRINTING NOT IDENTIFIED IN BANK ROBBERY NOTE FILE AND HIS FINGERPRINTS ARE BEING SEARCHED AGAINST LATENTS SUBMITTED IN UNSOLVED BANK ROBBERY AND BURGLARY VIOLATIONS.

SUBJECT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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Transmit the following in PLAINTEXT  
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Via TELETYPE URGENT  
(Priority)

TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES  
FROM: DIRECTOR, FBI  
MURKIN

UNLESS CIRCUMSTANCES DICTATE TO THE CONTRARY, YOU  
SHOULD INTERVIEW DOLORES EVANS RE ANY INFORMATION SHE MAY  
HAVE REGARDING THIS CASE. COPY MAILED TO MEMPHIS.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

① SAC, MEMPHIS

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FBI-HOUSTON

1003AM URGENT 4-23-68 JLN

TO DIRECTOR, MEMPHIS (44-1987)

FROM HOUSTON 44-1509 .

MURKIN. CR.

RE MEMPHIS AIRTEL, APR. NINETEEN, LAST REGARDING RE-  
CONTACT OF THERMOSEAL LAUNDRIES.

INITIAL CONTACT WITH ALL LAUNDRIES, HOUSTON DIVISION,  
DETERMINED NO LAUNDRIES USING THERMOSEAL MARKINGS OR UTILIZED  
SUCH MARKINGS FOR OTHER THAN DRY CLEANING. ALSO NONE USING  
"DASH" PRECEDING LAST NUMBER.

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FBI SANDIEGO

1223PM URGENT 4-23-68 CND

TO DIRECTOR 44-33861, MEMPHIS, BIRMINGHAM, SPRINGFIELD AND  
SAN FRANCISCO.

FROM SAN DIEGO 44-387 2P

MURKIN.

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SUSPECT; HARVEY EDWARD LOHMEYER, FBI NUMBER  
SEVEN THREE ZERO NINE SEVEN NINE A.

RE SD TEL TO BUREAU, APRIL TWELVE LAST, BUREAU TEL TO  
MEMPHIS, LA, SC, SD, SF AND SPRINGFIELD, APRIL TWELVE LAST,  
BUREAU TEL TO ALL SACS EXCEPT KC, AN, MN AND SJ, APRIL  
NINETEEN LAST.

ATTENTION IS DIRECTED TO REFERENCED BUREAU TEL  
APRIL NINETEEN LAST, WHEREIN THE BUREAU STRESSES THE  
ASSOCIATION BETWEEN JAMES EARL RAY AND WALTER TERRY RIFE,  
PARTICULARLY THEIR BACKGROUND HISTORY AT QUINCY, ILLINOIS.

ATTENTION ALSO DIRECTED TO FACT THAT HARVEY EDWARD  
LOHMEYER, FBI NUMBER SEVEN THREE ZERO NINE SEVEN NINE A  
WAS BORN AT QUINCY, ILLINOIS AND HAS SEVERAL INCARCERATIONS  
AT QUINCY, ILL. DURING NINETEEN FIFTY ONE THROUGH NINETEEN  
FIFTY FOUR.

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FBI MEMPHIS

FBI SANANTON

207PM CST URGENT 4-23-68 DM

TO DALLAS (44-2649), MEMPHIS (44-1987) AND OKLAHOMA CITY  
(44-636)

FROM SAN ANTONIO (44-1242)

MURKIN

REOCTEL TODAY CONCERNING SIXTYSEVEN THUNDERBIRD BEARING  
TEXAS LICENSE FDM FOUR FIVE THREE.

IT IS BELIEVED INSTANT LICENSE WOULD BE SIXTYEIGHT TEXAS  
LICENSE INSTEAD OF SIXTYSEVEN DUE TO FACT VEHICLE BEARING THESE  
PLATES WAS OBSERVED AFTER DATE SIXTYEIGHT LICENSE MUST APPEAR  
ON VEHICLE REGISTERED IN THIS STATE AND IN VIEW OF FACT TEXAS  
HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT RECORDS REFLECT THE SIXTYSEVEN PLATE WAS ISSUED  
FOR CHEVROLET AUTOMOBILE.

REGISTRATION DATA CONCERNING SIXTYEIGHT LICENSE NOT ON FILE  
WITH HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT AS YET AS HAS NOT BEEN REPORTED FOR  
FILING BY TARRANT COUNTY TAX COLLECTOR'S OFFICE.

DALLAS AT TARRANT COUNTY TAX OFFICE ASCERTAIN REGISTRATION  
DATA AND THEREAFTER COVER LEAD SET FORTH FOR SAN ANTONIO IN  
RETEL.

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INVESTIGATION BY SD OFFICE REFLECTS HARVEY EDWARD LOHMEYER POSSESSES CALIFORNIA DRIVER'S LICENSE NUMBER K FIVE ONE ZERO FOUR EIGHT THREE, OBTAINED FEBRUARY FOUR, NINETEEN SIXTY FOUR, SHOWING HIS ADDRESS AS TWO FOUR ZERO GEORGE STREET, SAN JOSE, CALIF.

IN VIEW OF PURCHASE OF FIREARM AT BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA MARCH THIRTY LAST BY SUBJECT USING NAME HARVEY LOWMYER, AND FACT THAT HARVEY EDWARD LOHMEYER, FBI NUMBER SEVEN THREE ZERO NINE SEVEN NINE A, HAS HISTORY SIMILAR TO SUBJECT RAY AT QUINCY, ILL., PREVIOUS LEADS SET FORTH TO LOCATE HARVEY EDWARD LOHMEYER TO DETERMINE IF HE IS AN ASSOCIATE OF RAY OR IS CO-CONSPIRATOR WITH RAY, IN MURDER OD DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING.

SAN FRANCISCO, AT SAN JOSE, CALIF., SHOULD CONDUCT INVESTIGATION AT TWO FOUR ZERO GEORGE STREET TO LOCATE HARVEY EDWARD LOHMEYER.

SUBJECT CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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FBI MEMPHIS

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FBI SAN FRAN

324 PM URGENT 4/23/68 VLT

TO DIRECTOR (44-33851), MEMPHIS (44-1987) & NEW YORK  
FROM SAN FRANCISCO (173-65) 1P (P)

MURKIN

RE: HARVEY LOWMYER

RECORDS OF GUARANTEE SAVINGS AND LOAN ASSOCIATION OF  
LIVERMORE VALLEY, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA REFLECT THAT A JOINT  
ACCOUNT AT THAT INSTITUTION IS IN THE NAME OF MARGARET G.  
LOHMEYER AND MARIE GRIFFITH, SEVEN NINE MAGNOLIA STREET, PEARL  
RIVER, NEW YORK.

LEAD: NEW YORK AT PEARL RIVER: CONTACT MARGARET G.  
LOHMEYER AND MARIE GRIFFITH, SEVEN NINE MAGNOLIA STREET,  
FOR ANY INFORMATION THEY MAY HAVE CONCERNING HARVEY LOWMYER.

OTHER OFFICES ADVISED

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Via TELETYPE URGENT  
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TO: ST. LOUIS

FROM: MEMPHIS (44-1987) (1P)

MURKING

RE: INVESTIGATION AT CONTINENTAL DANCE STUDIO.

RE MIAMI TEL TO BUREAU, MEMPHIS, BIRMINGHAM, CHICAGO,  
KNOXVILLE, ST. LOUIS, LOS ANGELES, NEW ORLEANS APRIL EIGHTEEN,  
LAST.

ST. LOUIS DISCONTINUE ATTEMPTS TO LOCATE AND INTERVIEW  
CHARLES HARTZELL HARTZELL INTERVIEWED MEMPHIS RE ABOVE  
CAPTIONED MATTER. P.

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RF:cjs  
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FBI DALLAS

335PM URGENT 4-23-68 LMB

TO DIRECTOR (44-38361), MEMPHIS (44-1937) AND JACKSON  
FROM DALLAS (44-2649) 5P

*Receives Miss  
#2 Man in White  
Knights of KKK  
owns John's Restaurant*

MURKIN. OO MEMPHIS.

ON APRIL TWENTYTWO, LAST, MYRTIS RUTH HENDRICKS, AKA "JITTERBUG"  
EIGHT SEVEN THREE MESQUITE STREET, ABILENE, TEXAS, (WHO REQUESTED  
HER IDENTITY BE KEPT CONFIDENTIAL), FURNISHED THE FOLLOWING INFORMA-  
TION:

SHE WENT TO WORK ON MARCH THIRTYONE, LAST, FOR AN INDIVIDUAL  
KNOWN TO HER AS DEVILISH NICK, OWNER AND OPERATOR OF "JOHN'S  
RESTAURANT", LOCATED JUST OFF FIRST STREET, BEFORE THE UNDERPASS  
IN LAUREL, MISSISSIPPI, AND WORKED THERE UNTIL APRIL NINE, LAST.

SHE WORKED AS A COOK AND ON THE DAY AFTER SHE STARTED WORK FOR  
HIM, DEVILISH NICK HAD SEXUAL RELATIONS WITH HER. HE THEN  
STARTED HER WORKING AT A PLACE HE HAD OUTSIDE OF TOWN. ON APRIL  
TWO, LAST, SHE OVERHEARD NICK SAY " I GOT A CALL ON THE KING", BUT  
DID NOT HEAR ANY MORE OF THE CONVERSATION. ON THE EVENING OF APRIL  
THREE, LAST, TWO MEN NEATLY DRESSED, WITH SHORT, STOCKY BUILDS, CAME

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TO NICK'S PLACE WHERE SHE STARTED WORK AT THREE P.M. AND WORKED NIGHTS. WHILE GOING TO THE BATHROOM, SHE OBSERVED A RIFLE WITH A TELESCOPIC SIGHT, IN A CASE IN NICK'S OFFICE. LATER, THE TWO MEN TOOK THE RIFLE AND A LONG BOX, WHICH TOOK THREE MEN TO CARRY OUT, AND PUT THEM IN A SIXTYFOUR MARRON DODGE WITH A FAKE "CONTINENTAL KIT" ON THE BACK.

ON APRIL FOUR , LAST, WHILE ON DUTY, SHE OVERHEARD NICK RECEIVE A TELEPHONE CALL ON HIS PHONE WHICH IS CLOSE TO THE KITCHEN. AFTER THIS CALL, NICK SAID, "MARTIN LUTHER KING IS DEAD." THIS WAS BEFORE THE NEWS CAME OVER THE RADIO ABOUT THE MURDER.

NICK HAD MEETINGS EVERY NIGHT IN HIS OFFICE, AND SHE WAS TOLD BY THE OTHER EMPLOYEES THAT NICK IS THE HEAD OF THE KLU KLUX KLAN IN THAT AREA. A WHITE MALE, KNOWN TO HER ONLY AS BIG WILL ADAMS' SON, WAS IN ON THE ACTIVITY AT THE RESTAURANT. FROSTENE, (PHONETIC) A LARGE, FAT NEGRO GIRL, WHO WORKS FOR NICK, AND TWO WHITE WAITRESSES WHO WERE ASSOCIATED WITH THE TWO MEN WHO TOOK THE GUN, KNEW OF THE ACTIVITIES AT NICK'S.

FROM WHAT SHE OVERHEARD SHE FEELS THAT NICK HAD SOME PART IN THE ASSASSINATION OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, BUT HSE HAS NO DEFINITE PROFF OF ANYTHING. SHE BECAME SO FREGHTENED SHE TOLD NICK SHE HAD

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A VERY SICK RELATIVE IN ABILENE, TEXAS. SHE LEFT ON APRIL NINE, LAST, AND CAME TO ABILENE, TEXAS, WHERE SHE MET THOMAS MC GEE. SHE HAS BEEN GOING WITH MC GEE FOR FOUR YEARS AND HE CAME TO ABILENE SHORTLY BEFORE CHRISTMAS TO LOOK FOR WORK. SHE COULD NOT IDENTIFY THE PHOTO OF JAMES EARL RAY AS EVER BEING AT JOHN'S RESTAURANT OR EVER SEEING HIM.

ON APRIL TWENTYTWO, LAST, THOMAS MC GEE FURNISHED THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

HE WORKED AT JOHN'S RESTAURANT ABOUT A YEAR AGO FOR A MONTH AS A CARHOP. HE WAS TOLD THE RESTAURANT WAS A MEETING PLACE FOR THE KU KLUX KLAN AND DEVILISH NICK, THE PROPRIETOR OF THE RESTAURANT, WAS THE HEAD OF THE KKK IN THAT AREA. HE ALSO DETERMINED THAT THE WOMEN EMPLOYEES WORKED AS PROSTITUTES FOR NICK DURING OFF HOURS AND THE TWO WHITE WOMEN WHO WORK AS WAITRESSES, ONE BRUNETTE AND ONE BLONDE, LIVE IN THE MOST EXPENSIVE HOTEL IN LAUREL, NAME UNKNOWN.

NICK BEAT UP CERTAIN EMPLOYEES WHILE HE WAS THERE, AND HE, MC GEE, DECIDED TO LEAVE. WHEN HE LEARNED THAT MYRTIS RUTH HENDRICKS WAS WORKING FOR NICK, WHO WAS MAKING A PROSTITUTE OUT OF HER, HE HAD HER COME TO ABILENE.

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HE ADMITTED THAT HE IS ON PROBATION OUT OF GULFPORT, MISS., FOR MOONSHINING AND HAS PREVIOUSLY FURNISHED INFORMATION TO THE FBI THROUGH A ONE-LEGGED MAN WHO RUNS A BARBER SHOP NEXT DOOR TO KITCHEN'S GROCERY IN SEMINARY, MISS.. THIS MAN COULD VOUCH FOR HIS RELIABILITY.

HE FEELS THAT SHOULD DEVILISH NICK KNOW THAT HE AND MYRTIS HAVE TALKED TO THE FBI, HE WOULD HAVE THEM LOCATED AND KILLED, AND WOULD TAKE SOME ACTION AGAINST THEIR FRIENDS AND RELATIVES IN LAUREL, MISSISSIPPI. HE THEREFORE REQUESTED, AS DID HENDRICKS, THAT THEIR IDENTITIES BE PROTECTED AND KEPT VERY CONFIDENTIAL. HE INTIMATED THAT IF INVESTIGATION BY THE FBI REFLECTS THAT THE INFORMATION ON DEVILISH NICK IS OF ANY VALUE, HE WOULD BE WILLING TO RETURN TO LAUREL AND OBTAIN INFORMATION FOR THE FBI ON A PAID BASIS.

HE ADVISED THAT HE AND HENDRICKS WILL MAINTAIN CONTACT WITH THE FBI.

THE FOLLOWING IS DESCRIPTION OF DEVILISH NICK AS FURNISHED BY THE ABOVE INDIVIDUALS:

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WHITE MALE, ABOUT THIRTYTHREE YEARS OF AGE, FIVE FEET ELEVEN INCHES, TWO HUNDRED POUNDS, BLACK HAIR, RED FACED, DRINKS A LOT, MARRIED TO BLONDE WIFE, ABOUT THIRTY THREE YEARS OLD.

THE FOLLOWING IS A DESCRIPTION OF MYRTIS RUTH HENDRICKS AS OBTAINED THROUGH OBSERVATION:

NEGRO FEMALE, ABOUT TWENTYFIVE YEARS ODS, FIVE FEET SEVEN INCHES, ONE EIGHTFIVE POUNDS, BLACK HAIR, CUT SHORT, BROWN EYES, LIGHT BROWN SKIN, RESIDENCE - ROOMING AT EIGHT SEVEN THREE MESQUITE STREET, ABILENE, TEXAS, TELEPHONE SIX SEVEN SEVEN - SIX FOUR THREE FOUR.

THE FOLLOWING IS A DESCRIPTION OF THOMAS MC GEE , AS OBTAINED THROUGH OBSERVATION AND INTERVIEW:

NEGRO MALE, THIRTY - FIVE YEARS OF AGE, FIVE FEET ELEVEN INCHES, ONE FIFTY POUNDS, BLACK CURLY HAIR, BROWN EYES, LIGHT BROWN COMPLEXION - TWO AND ONE - HALF INCH DEEP SCAR, DIAGONALLY ACROSS LEFT CHEEK, AS WOODEN RIGHT LEG.

JACKSON, AT LAUREL, MISSISSIPPI, CONDUCT INVESTIGATION OF DEVILISH NICK RE ANY COMPLICITY HE, OR PERSONS ASSOCIATED WITH HIM, MAT HAVE IN THIS CAE. P

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MCP

FBI MEMPHIS

FBI MIAMI

347 PM URGENT 4-23-68 HEJ

TO: DIRECTOR (44-38861) AND ATLANTA (44-2386), AND

MEMPHIS (44-1987)

FROM: MIAMI (44-1854)

MURKIN

RE FOREIGN BOUND AIRLINE PASSENGERS FROM ATLANTA, GA.  
APRIL FIVE AND SIX LAST.

RE ATLANTA TEL APRIL TWENTY-TWO LAST:

EASTERN AIRLINES, MIAMI ADVISES RESERVATION DATA  
REFERRED TO IN RE TEL WILL BE AVAILABLE MORNING APRIL  
TWENTY-FOUR NEXT.

WA ADVISED.

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FBI ATLANTA

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TO DIRECTOR, MEMPHIS (44-1987), BIRMINGHAM (44-1740) AND  
LOS ANGELES (44-1574)  
FROM ATLANTA (44-2386) 1 P

MURKIN

NINETEEN SIXTYSIX MUSTANG ABANDONED BY SUBJECT, RAY,  
HAS SEARS ALL-STATE HIGH VOLTAGE (TWELVE VOLT, FIFTYFOUR  
PLATE) BATTERY. UNDER THE NEGATIVE TERMINAL WAS A BRIGHT  
YELLOW PLATE IMPRINTED "C EIGHT". ON THE ENGINE SIDE OF  
TYPE BATTERY THERE WAS A WHITE TAPE ABOUT THE SIZE OF A NICKEL  
STUCK ON THE BATTERY, ALSO SHOWING THE NOTATION "C EIGHT".  
SEARS AND ROEBUCK, ATLANTA, ADVISES "C EIGHT" ON THIS BATTERY  
INDICATES IT WAS SOLD IN MARCH NINETEEN SIXTYEIGHT. SINCE  
INVESTIGATION HAS INDICATED THAT SUBJECT RAY WAS IN LOS ANGELES,  
BIRMINGHAM, MEMPHIS AND ATLANTA DURING MARCH, SIXTYEIGHT,  
ALL OFFICES SHOULD CONTACT SEARS AND ROEBUCK AUTO SERVICE  
CENTERS IN RESPECTIVE AREAS, DISPLAY PHOTO OF RAY AND OBTAIN  
PERTINENT INFORMATION.

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FBI NEW HAVEN

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TO DIRECTOR (44-3886L), BIRMINGHAM, MEMPHIS (44-1937), NEWARK, NEW  
YORK (44-1609)  
FROM NEW HAVEN (157-318)

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MURKIN

RE CHICAGO TELETYPE TO BUREAU APRIL SEVENTEEN LAST, SEVEN  
FIFTEEN P.M.

RETEL SETS FORTH LISTS OF MAGAZINES IN WHICH SUPERIOR BULK FILM  
COMPANY ADVERTISES AND SET FORTH LEAD FOR NEW HAVEN TO DETERMINE FROM  
FAWCETT PUBLICATIONS/SUBSCRIBERS TO MECHANICS ILLUSTRATED USING NAME  
ERIC STARVO GALT, ALSO KNOWN AS HARVEY LOWMEYER OR HARVEY LOWMYER  
AND JOHN WILLARD.

FOR INFO NEW YORK FAWCETT ALSO HANDLES SUBSCRIPTION LIST FOR SCIENCE  
AND MECHANICS AND FIELD AND STREAM.

SEARCH OF SUBSCRIPTION LIST AT FAWCETT FOR ABOVE THREE MAGAZINES  
REFLECTS FOLLOWING FOR MECHANICS ILLUSTRATED ONLY:

JOHN WILLARD, TEN ATLANTIC CITY BOULEVARD, BAYVILLE, NEW JERSEY,  
IN FEB., NINETEEN SIXTYEIGHT SUBMITTED CHANGE OF ADDRESS TO ROUTE THREE  
SEVEN TOMS RIVER, NEW JERSEY; J. WILLARD, FOURTEEN DASH TWENTYSEVEN  
CHANDLER DRIVE, FAIRLAWN NEW JERSEY IN APRIL, NINETEEN SIXTYEIGHT  
SUBMITTED CHANGE OF ADDRESS TO SIXTEEN DASH SIXTYNINE CHANDLER DRIVE.  
SAME CITY.

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NO REFERENCES TO OTHER NAMES. FANCETT ONLY ABLE TO SEARCH NAMES FOR THOSE WHOSE SUBSCRIPTIONS HAVE NOED OR CHANGE OF ADDRESS SUBMITTED. REGULAR SUBSCRIPTION LIST CAN ONLY BE SEARCHED IF ADDRESS KNOWN.

NEWARK ESTABLISH IDENTITY OF ABOVE WILLARDS.

TAKE NO MENTION INQUIRIES CONCERNING CAPTIONED MATTER AND CONSIDER ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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FBI MIAMI

4:32PM URGENT 4-23-68 PJL

TO DIRECTOR AND MEMPHIS, OKLAHOMA CITY, TAMPA.  
FROM MIAMI (44-1854) 1P

MURKIN

RE BUREAU TEL TO ALL SACS, APRIL ELEVEN LAST.

INVESTIGATION MIAMI DIVISION HAS REFLECTED THAT FLIGHTS  
OUT OF THE U.S. ARE MADE BY COASTAL AVIATION, A NON-SCHEDULED  
AIRLINE AND BY AMERICAN FLYERS, ALSO NON-SCHEDULED.

COASTAL AVIATION IS BASED IN ORLANDO, FLA. AND AMERICAN  
FLYERS IS BASED IN ARDMORE, OKLAHOMA.

TAMPA AT ORLANDO, FLA. AND OKLAHOMA CITY AT ARDMORE,  
OKLAHOMA, WILL REVIEW PASSENGER MANIFESTS OF THESE TWO  
CARRIERS FOR PERIOD APR. FOUR THROUGH APR. TEN LAST, AS PER  
INSTRUCTIONS IN RE BUREAU TEL.

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FBI LAS VEGAS

406 PM URGENT 4-23-68 KXS

TO DIRECTOR (44-33861) AND MEMPHIS (44-1987)

FROM LAS VEGAS (157-133)

MURKIN

REBUTEL ALL SAC'S, APRIL TWENTY-TWO LAST.

WANTED FLIERS AND IDENTIFICATION ORDERS REGARDING JAMES EARL RAY DISTRIBUTED TO NARCOTICS INVESTIGATIVE AGENCIES IN NEVADA. ALL CRIMINAL INFORMANTS HAVE BEEN CONTACTED AND APPROPRIATE RACIAL AND SECURITY INFORMANTS AND SOURCES. MAJOR HOTELS AND CASINOS IN LAS VEGAS AND RENO AREAS HAVE BEEN CONTACTED AND FURNISHED IO'S. LAS VEGAS CONTEMPLATES CIRCULARIZING ALL HOTELS AND MOTELS IN NEV. AND REQUESTS AN ADDITIONAL SEVEN HUNDRED IO'S.

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FBI SAN FRAN

420 PM URGENT 4/23/68 VLT

TO DIRECTOR (44-38861), KANSAS CITY, MEMPHIS (44-1987)

AND SAN DIEGO (44-387)

FROM SAN FRANCISCO (173-65) 1P (P)

MURKIN

RE SAN DIEGO TEL INSTANT DATE.

FOR INFORMATION OF SAN DIEGO, HARVEY EDWARD LOHMEYER  
LOCATED AND INTERVIEWED AT SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA.

SUBJECT ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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