

6/11/68

AIRTEL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
FROM: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987) (P)
SUBJECT: MURKIN

Enclosed for the Bureau is one copy of the results of the interview of CORDRA YORK, SR., York Arms Company, Memphis, Tennessee, relative to the acquisition by his company of 7x35 Banner binoculars. Also enclosed is one Xerox copy of the last received invoice concerning 7x35 binoculars with snap-top cases such as was purchased by JAMES EARL RAY.

For the information of the Bureau, CORDRA YORK advised that on 6/10/68 he was summoned to the State Attorney General's Office, Memphis, Tennessee, where he executed an affidavit relative to the sale of the binoculars identified with this case. In addition, he was reinterviewed by a representative of the Memphis Police Department. Mr. YORK stated that he was told by both representatives of local law enforcement agencies that these interviews were for the purpose of extradition of JAMES EARL RAY to the United States.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 5/9/1968

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JOHN ACORD, 103 G Street, South West said he is Chairman, American-Southern Africa Council, 800 Fourth Street, South West, Washington, D. C. He furnished a letter dated December 28, 1967 from ERIC S. GALT, 1535 North Serrano, Los Angeles, California. He said this letter was received by the American-Southern Africa Council in December, 1967. The letter was typewritten in capital letters and double spaced. It is set out as follows:

"12-28-67

"DEAR SIR,

"I RECENTLY READ AN ARTICLE IN THE L. A. TIMES ON YOUR CONCIL, THE LOCAL JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY PROVIDED ME WITH YOUR ADDRESS. MY REASON FOR WRITING IS THAT I AM CONSIDERING IMMIGRATING TO RHODESIA, HOWEVER THEIR ARE A COUPLE LEGAL QUESTIONS INVOLVED. "ONE: THE U. S. GOVERNMENT WILL NOT ISSUE A PASSPORT FOR TRAVEL TO RHODESIA.

"TWO: WOULD THEIR BE ANY WAY TO ENTER RHODESIA LEGALLY (FROM THE RHODESIAN GOVERNMENT POINT OF VIEW).

I WOULD APPRECIATE ANY INFORMATION YOU COULD GIVE ME ON THE ABOVE SUBJECT OR ANY OTHER INFORMATION ON RHODESIA.

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On 5/9/68 at Washington, D. C.by SA ROGER D. ASHLAND:RDADate dictated 5/9/68

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"SINCERELY

ERIC S. GALT

1535-N. Serrano

LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

90027"

The letter set out above was signed ERIC S. GALT.

JOHN ACORD said he was in Africa when this letter was received in ACORD's office. As a result ACORD did not answer the letter and ACORD's Secretary sent a form letter enclosing literature about Rhodesia to ERIC S. GALT. The reply was sent about January 10, 1968 to GALT at the above address in Los Angeles, California.

ACORD said he would like this letter returned to him as it may be a valuable document in the future. ACORD also requested this information furnished by him be kept from the press.

An attorney, MICHAEL D. JAFFE accompanied JOHN ACORD with the above information. ACORD said JAFFE was with him as a friend rather than as ACORD's attorney. MICHAEL D. JAFFE resides at 1200 South Washington Street, Apartment 625 E, Alexandria, Virginia. JAFFE's office is at 300 Independence Avenue, South East, Washington, D. C.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 5/9/1968

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A letter dated December 28, 1967 received by American-Southern Africa Council, 800 Fourth Street, South West from ERIC S. GALT, 1535-N. Serrano, Los Angeles, California was hand carried to Special Agent EDWARD J. MC DONOUGH, FBI Headquarters, where reproductions of this letter were made. The original of the letter was then hand carried to Special Agent JAMES H. MORTIMER, Document Section, Laboratory, FBI Headquarters.

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Date 5/10/68

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JOHN ACORD, Chairman, American-Southern Africa Council, 800 Fourth Street, South West said his secretary, GLORIA WALKER sent a reply to ERIC S. GALT in connection with the inquiry in December, 1967 from GALT about Rhodesia which had been received by the American-Southern Africa Council. ACORD said the form letter would have shown appreciation for GALT's interest in Rhodesia and would have enclosed literature about Rhodesia. The letter would have suggested GALT write to the Department of Information, Salisbury, Rhodesia for information about immigration to Rhodesia.

ACORD said a valid passport is all that is required to visit Rhodesia. A visa is not needed by a tourist. Immigration to Rhodesia would require complete documentation.

ACORD said the American-Southern Africa Council has 15,000 members in the United States. The members pay dues and contribute for special projects. The organization also obtains money from the sale of products made in Rhodesia such as radios and electronic items. The American-Southern Africa Council conducts public relations on behalf of Rhodesia and other Southern Africa nations. A Newsletter is distributed and other promotional material prepared. ACORD added he also lectures on Rhodesia and South Africa and organizes tours to South Africa.

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(Hester) *(JH)*

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SAS JOHN BLAZEK and
by ROGER D. ASHLAND:RDA Date dictated 5/10/68

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 5/13/681

GLORIA WALKER, Secretary, American - Southern Africa Council, Suite N-1, 800 Fourth Street, South West furnished the following information:

Recently she started going through a file folder of correspondence and put it in alphabetical order. During this work, she discovered a letter from ERIC S. GALT dated December 28, 1967 which was received by the American - Southern Africa Council. She said she turned the letter over to JOHN ACORD, Chairman of the American-Southern Africa Council.

During December, 1967, JOHN ACORD was in Rhodesia and GLORIA WALKER answered correspondence received by the American-Southern Africa Council. GLORIA WALKER said she would have answered the letter with a form letter enclosing literature about Rhodesia within about two weeks of the date the letter was received. She said she would have added at the bottom of the form letter, a handwritten note saying, "The enclosed folders may be of interest to you." She also would have changed the last paragraph of the form letter to indicate, she hoped he had a fine holiday season.

GLORIA WALKER said she believes she sent these items to ERIC S. GALT: Volume 2, Number 6, November - December, 1967 issue of American-Southern Africa Review.

"Opportunity in Rhodesia"

"Rhodesia In Brief"

She furnished a copy of the form letter which she said she discontinued using according to a note on a copy on January 12, 1968.

On 5/13/68 at Washington, D. C.
by SA JOHN BLAZEK and

SA ROGER D. ASHLAND:RDA

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 5/15/68

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ROWENE TENNANT, General Manager, Travel Consultants, Room # 700, 1612 K Street, North West furnished a list of persons who contacted Travel Consultants from January 1, 1968 to May 15, 1968 for information about travel to Rhodesia. Some of these persons made arrangements to travel to Rhodesia with tour groups. The list is entitled "Friends of Rhodesia List".

*Order:
Rhodesian Tourists*

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On 5/15/68 at Washington, D. C. File # WFO 44-703-536

by SA ROGER D. ASHLAND:rda Date dictated 5/15/68

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May 15, 1968

FRIENDS OF RHODESIA LIST

Mr. J. W. Merchant
J. W. Merchant's
P.O. Box 1384
1021 17th Street
Lake Charles, Louisiana 70601

Mr. Robert Miller
P.O. Box 1049
Kerrville, Texas

Mr. Garvey G. McBride
33 Friendship Lane
Colorado Springs, Colorado 80904

Mr. Niels Schultz
147 Bon Air Shopping Center
Greenbrae, California 94904

Mrs. Marguerite C. Cargile
Box 282
Star Route
Anza, California 92306

Mr. Frederick B. Forbes
2066 S. Stage Coach Lane
Fallbrook, California

Miss Esther Goodale
129 West Street
Reading, Massachusetts 01867

Mr. Francis Goodale
Box 39, RD #4
Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania 18360

Mr. Herb Schurter
5225 Reynier Avenue
Los Angeles, California 90056

Mr. Samuel A. Swayne
P.O. Box 368
Nampa, Idaho 83651

Mr. Donald Cooke
Box 350
Pine Hurst, North Carolina 28374

Mr. A. H. Vogel
P.O. Box 2339
Salt Lake City, Utah 84110

Dr. Alan Brinsmade
1510 Hermann Professional Building
Houston, Texas 77027

Mrs. Helen Scheubert
1210 North Ridgeland Avenue
Oak Park, Illinois 60302

Mrs. Ruth M. Dawson
5012 Boxhill Lane
Baltimore, Maryland 21210

Mrs. William L. Ewart
512 Ohio Street
Corpus Christi, Texas

Mrs. Jean A. Bandy
Wickenburg, Arizona

Mrs. W. A. Munro
9 Country Club Park
Box 1449
Wickenburg, Arizona 85358

Mrs. Landon Thomas
2226 Pickens Road
Augusta, Georgia 30904

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FRIENDS OF RHODESIA (Continued)

Mr. Vernon Kelsay
Rocky Spring Farm
Box 59, R.D. 1
Glen Mills, Pennsylvania

Miss Herberta Ann Leonardy
239 Fluvia Avenue
Coral Gables, Florida 33134

Mr. Harry Thompson
West Department Stores
Jasper, Texas

Mr. Irvin C. Chapman
Chapman Ranch
P.O. Box 3008
Fullerton, California 92634

Mr. J. Waterhouse
Black Canyon State Box 114
Phoenix, Arizona 85020

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

1Date 5/16/68

Mr. KENNETH H. TOWSEY, Information Officer,
Rhodesian Information Office, 2852 Mc Gill Terrace, N. W.,
telephonically advised that a review had been made of the
files of the Rhodesian Information Office on May 10, 1968,
and he was unable to locate any information which he believes
might relate to JAMES EARL RAY, also known as ERIC S. GALT.

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On 5/10/68 at Washington, D. C. File # WFO 44-703-492

by SA ROBERT W. DAWSON:cabb Date dictated 5/10/68

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 5/17/68

Mr. KEN TOWSEY, Information Officer, Information Office of the Rhodesian Government, 2852 Mc Gill Terrace, N. W., was interviewed at his residence, 6807 Bradley Boulevard, Bethesda, Maryland.

Mr. TOWSEY advised that JOHN ACORD had visited Rhodesian Information Office earlier on May 9, 1968, and had given Mr. JOHN HOOPER of that office a copy of a letter dated December 28, 1967, from ERIC S. GALT, 1535 North Serrano, Los Angeles, California, in which GALT had expressed an interest in travel to Rhodesia and asked to be furnished with information on that subject. He said that ACORD had told HOOPER that he, ACORD, had come across the letter in the files of his Office, the American-Southern Africa Council on this date.

Mr. TOWSEY stated that his interest in this matter was to offer on behalf of his Government all assistance possible, however, he asked that a formal request be made to his Government for such assistance. He stated that a written or oral request in any form would be honored.

Mr. TOWSEY requested that any request made of his Government and any information or assistance furnished by his Government not be made public in view of implications of exploiting the existing situation of his Government and of possibly expanding hostility toward his Government.

TOWSEY stated that if such request were presented to him he would not use open telegraph to pass the request on to his Government but would use the mails which are assumed secure. He stated that this method would require considerable time. He suggested that the United States Government might wish to present a request through the American Consulate at Salisbury, Rhodesia.

Mr. TOWSEY stated he wished to be advised concerning

On 5/9/68 at Bethesda, Maryland

SAs ROGER D. ASHLAND and

by ROBERT W. DAWSON RWD:cabb Date dictated 5/10/68

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the channels used to transmit any request.

Mr. TOWSEY stated he would review the files of his local office and would furnish any information believed to be of assistance in this investigation.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)

DATE: 6/7/68

FROM : SAC, WFO (44-703) (P)

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re ERIC S. GALT

Re WFO teletype 5/9/68.

Enclosed for Memphis are 15 copies each of seven IRFs as follows:

<u>JOHN ACORN</u>	5/9/68
<u>SA ROGER D. ASHLAND</u>	5/9/68
<u>JOHN ACORD</u>	5/10/68
<u>GLORIA WALKER</u>	5/13/68
<u>KEN TOWSEY</u>	5/9/68
<u>KENNETH H. TOWSEY</u>	5/10/68
<u>ROWENE TENNANT</u>	5/15/68

Memphis should note that persons appearing on the Friends of Rhodesia List were checked through files of Passport Office, USDS, and none appeared to be identical with JAMES EARL RAY.

2 - Memphis (Enc. 105)

1 - WFO

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Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No. 157-131

206 Dillingham Building
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

June 10, 1968

Mr. Joseph McVey
Chief License Examiner
Honolulu Police Department
1455 South Beretania
Honolulu, Hawaii 96814

Dear Mr. McVey:

On May 22, 1968, we requested that you place a stop notice in your files for James Earl Ray, also known as Eric Starvo Galt, W. C. Herron, Harvey Lowmyer, James McBride, James O'Conner, James Walton, James Waylon, John Willard, the subject of I.O. 4182.

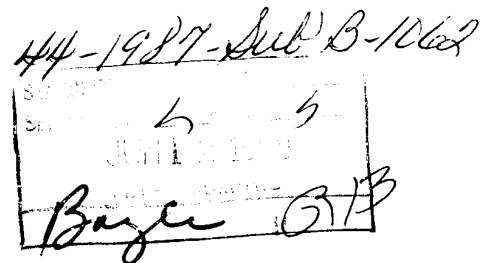
As Ray was apprehended in London, England, on June 8, 1968, this stop notice is no longer required and may be removed.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Very truly yours,

PAUL H. FIELDS, JR.
Special Agent in Charge

2 - Addressee
① - Memphis (44-1987)
1 - Honolulu (157-131)
JFW:lfj
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Date: 6/10/68

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL
(Priority)

TO: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)

FROM: SAC, PORTLAND (157-380) (RUC)

SUBJECT: MURKIN

RE: COST DATA, PORTLAND DIVISION, JUNE, 1968

Re Memphis airtel to Albany and all offices,
4/19/68.

(1) Man Hours:

	<u>REGULAR</u>	<u>OVERTIME</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Special Agents	310	50	360
Clerical Employees	18	0	18

(2) Total Mileage by Bucars on case (No POCs used) - 500

(3) Unusual costs - None

(4) Peak number of SAs working on case during month - 36

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1-PortlandRES:dk
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GAYLEE

Approved: _____ Sent _____ M Per _____
Special Agent in Charge

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)

FROM : SAC, PORTLAND (157-380) (RUC)

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 6/10/68

With the apprehension of JAMES EARL RAY in London, no further logical leads remain in the Portland Division. Results of negative investigation in the Portland Division, not already reported, are being retained in file and no report is being submitted.

Since no further investigation in the Portland Division is contemplated at this time, cost data airtel for June, 1968 is being submitted at this time.

2-Memphis
1-Portland

RES:dk
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Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan

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AIRTEL

AIRMAIL - REGISTERED

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
FROM: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (173-65)
SUBJECT: MURKIN
CIVIL RIGHTS
OO: MEMPHIS

ReButel, dated 6/8/68.

UACB, the San Francisco Office will not submit a report in this matter. All investigation conducted by the San Francisco Office has been forwarded to the Bureau and/or Memphis in appropriate communications. Investigation conducted *to date* by San Francisco did not produce any positive information that JAMES EARL RAY at any time was within the area covered by the San Francisco Office.

1 - Bureau (RM)
2 - Memphis (44-1987)(AM)(RM)
1 - San Francisco
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DE 44-989
Gm/klh - 1

During the months of April and May, 1968, contact was made with laundries using the Thermoseal marking machine manufactured by the Textile Marking Machine Company, Syracuse, New York, in the following Michigan cities and vicinity thereof:

Ann Arbor
Battle Creek
Bay City
Benton Harbor
Detroit
Flint
Grand Rapids
Jackson
Kalamazoo
Lansing
Marquette
Monroe
Mt. Clemens
Pontiac
Saginaw
Sault Sainte Marie
Traverse City

None of the laundries contacted used the marking sequence 02B-6 or D2B-6. With respect to the laundry code number "20R-3", the following information was developed:

Mr. NORMAN BUCHANAN, General Manager, Paw Paw Laundry, Paw Paw, Michigan, advised that prior to April, 1968, his company used the code similar to "20R-3". He advised a search of the records of his company disclosed code # "20R-3" is issued to a bundle of six shirts belonging to one "GRIFFIN, 1206 Summit, Kalamazoo, Michigan", which had been returned to the Norge Cleaners in Kalamazoo, which is one of two substations operated by Norge in Kalamazoo, and they are located at 16143 Main Street, and 4419 South Westnedge.

Mr. BUCHANAN made available samples from code by the machine utilized by the Paw Paw Laundry, Paw Paw, Michigan.

The above samples were furnished to the FBI Laboratory on July 6, 1968. The FBI Laboratory, by communication dated May 14, 1968, reported that the laundry machine of the Paw Paw Laundry did not prepare the laundry tapes previously acquired as evidence.

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DE 44-989
GH/klh - 2

During the month of April, 1968, on various dates, dancing schools were contacted in the following Michigan cities or the vicinity thereof:

Ann Arbor
Battle Creek
Bay City
Benton Harbor
Detroit
Flint
Grand Rapids
Jackson
Kalamazoo
Lansing
Marquette
Monroe
Mt. Clemens
Pontiac
Saginaw
Sault Sainte Marie
Traverse City

The operators of these dancing schools advised a check of their records failed to disclose the names ERIC STARVO GAULT, HARVEY LOWMYER, and JOHN WILLARD or any variation of those names.

DE 44-989
WJH/klh - 1

On April 9, 1968, a review of the indices of the Detroit Office of the FBI, city and telephone directories for all communities in the State of Michigan, Michigan State Driver's License and Automobile Registration, State of Michigan Motor Registration, records of the Michigan Office of the Selective Service System, and credit and criminal records in all communities in the State of Michigan, failed to reveal any individual with the surname of LOWMEYER or LOWMYER.

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DE 44-989
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On April 10, 1968, a review of the automobile registrations, Secretary of State's Office, Lansing, Michigan, indicated 1966 Mustang, Vehicle Identification #6T07C190647 is not registered in the State of Michigan.

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DE 44-989
WJH/klh - 1

On April 11, 1968, a review of the indices of the Detroit Office of the FBI, Michigan State Selective Service records, city and telephone directories for all communities for the State of Michigan, Michigan State drivers' records and motor vehicle registrations, credit check in all communities in the State of Michigan, and the records of all law enforcement agencies in the State of Michigan failed to reveal anyone identical with ERIC STARVO GALT, white male, date of birth [redacted] 5' 11", 175 pounds, blue eyes, brown hair.

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D: 44-989
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On April 18, 1968, five copies of wanted flier #442, concerning ERIC STARVO GALT, were furnished Mr. L. HARPER, Immigration Officer in Charge, Canadian Customs, Windsor, Ontario. Mr. HARPER indicated that stops would immediately be placed at the three points of entry into Canada from the State of Michigan for ERIC GALT.

On April 18, 1968, copies of wanted flier #442, concerning ERIC STARVO GALT were furnished Miss HENWOOD, Pan-American World Airlines, 825 Book Building, Detroit, Michigan; Mr. JACK JONES, Transworld Airlines, Book Building, Detroit, Michigan; and Mrs. INGE THEIMAN, British Overseas Airways Corporation, Book Building, Detroit, Michigan. They indicated that representatives of their respective airlines would be alerted to the possibility that ERIC GALT might attempt to leave the United States by an overseas airway.

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DE 44-989
WJH/klh - 1

On April 22, 1968, copies of wanted flier #442-A, concerning JAMES EARL RAY, were furnished to Mr. L. HARPER, Immigration Officer in Charge, Canadian Customs, Windsor, Ontario. Mr. HARPER indicated that stops would immediately be placed at the three points of entry into Canada from the State of Michigan for JAMES EARL RAY.

On April 22, 1968, copies of wanted flier #442-A, concerning JAMES EARL RAY, were furnished Miss HENWOOD, Pan-American World Airlines, 825 Book Building, Detroit, Michigan; Mr. JACK JONES, Transworld Airlines, Book Building, Detroit, Michigan; and Mrs. INGE THELMAN, British Overseas Airways Corporation, Book Building, Detroit, Michigan. They indicated that representatives of their respective airlines would be alerted to the possibility that JAMES EARL RAY might attempt to leave the United States by an overseas airway.

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FBI - DETROIT	

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DE 44-989
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On April 25, 1968, copies of wanted flier #442-A and IO #4182, concerning JAMES EARL RAY, were distributed to all known third-class and "hippie"-type rooming houses in Metropolitan Detroit and cities within the State of Michigan.

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DE 44-989
WJH/klh - 1

On April 25, 1968, Mr. LOU ECHLIN, Security Department, Ford Motor Company, advised that his department had completed the review of 1,500,000 warranty cards indicating all warranty work performed by Ford Motor Company since August 30, 1967. No warranty service had been performed since that date on a 1966 Mustang, Vehicle Identification #6T07C19067.

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FBI - MEMPHIS	

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DE 44-989
WJH/klh - 1

On April 26, 1968, contacts with logical informants within the Detroit Division indicated that JAMES EARL RAY, also known as W. C. Herron, James McBride, James O'Conner, James Walton, James Walyon, John Willard, is unknown to any members of the "hoodlum element" within the Detroit Division.

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DE 44-989
WJH/klh - 1

On April 29, 1968, a review of the Detroit files revealed that no automobiles stolen from the State of Georgia subsequent to March 23, 1968, have been recovered in the State of Michigan.

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DE 44-989
WJH/klh - 1

On May 1, 1968, all law enforcement agencies within the State of Michigan were contacted and advised that no unidentified latent fingerprints on file with their respective agencies are identical with JAMES EARL RAY, IO #4182. Representatives of all the law enforcement agencies indicated their departments would continue to compare any unidentified latent fingerprints obtained of JAMES EARL RAY if they appear on IO #4182.

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Date: 6/8/68

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTEL

(Priority)

TO: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)
FROM: SAC, DETROIT (44-989) RUC
MURKIN

Re Bureau airtel to all SACs and Legats, dated 5/7/68, and Bureau teletype to all SACs, dated 6/8/68.

Enclosed for Memphis are 15 copies each of 12 investigative inserts reflecting investigation conducted in the Detroit Division.

Pursuant to instructions in referenced Bureau teletype, no further investigation is being conducted in this matter.

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Approved: _____ Sent _____ M Per _____
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ATIONS AND DEEP APPRECIATION FOR THE OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE
OF THE FBI IN THE APPREHENSION OF JAMES EARL RAY I HAVE HAD
NO DOUBT AT ANY TIME AS TO THE OUTCOME OF THE INVESTIGATION
YOU HAVE AGAIN DEMONSTRATED FORCEFULLY THAT LAW AND ORDER WILL
PREVAIL AND JUSTICE WILL BE DONE THE MEMPHIS POLICE DEPARTMENT
IS GRATEFUL TO YOU

FRANK HOLLOMAN DIRECTOR OF FIRE^E AND POLICE

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June 11, 1968

Mr. Frank C. Holloman
Director
Division of Fire and Police
128 Adams Avenue
Memphis, Tennessee 38103

Dear Holloman:

I certainly did appreciate your telegram of
June 8th concerning our work in the James Earl Ray case.
It was most thoughtful of you and all of us in the Bureau are
grateful for your confidence and kind comments.

Sincerely,

J. Edgar Hoover

① - Memphis - Enclosure

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

206 Dillingham Building
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

June 10, 1968

Gentlemen:

By letter dated April 19, 1968, we requested that you place a stop notice in your files for Eric Starvo Galt, since identified as James Earl Ray, against whom a Federal complaint was filed charging the fatal shooting of the Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

As subject was apprehended at London, England, on June 8, 1968, this stop notice is no longer required and should be removed.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Very truly yours,

Paul H. Fields
PAUL H. FIELDS, JR.
Special Agent in Charge

① - Memphis (44-1987)
1 - Honolulu (157-131)
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ccs: MATSON NAVIGATION

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IMMIGRATION & NATURALIZATION SERVICE

BRITISH OVERSEAS AIRWAYS (BOAC)

CANADIAN PACIFIC AIRLINES (CPA)

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PAN AMERICAN AIRWAYS

PHILIPPINE AIRLINES

QANTAS AIRLINES

UNITED AIR LINES (UAL)

WORLD AIRWAYS

(All above located Honolulu, Hawaii)

DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

6/11/68

SAC, WFO (44-703) (P)

MURKIN

ReWFOtel 5/9/68.

On 6/10/68, Mr. JOHN ACORD, Chairman, American-Southern Africa Council, 800 4th Street, S.W., Washington, D.C., advised SA ROGER D. ASHLAND that he had read in "The Sunday Star", dated 6/9/68, an article on page 3 captioned "Scotland Yard Seizes RAY in Dr. KING Killing", that there was some indication RAY may have tried to get from Portugal to Rhodesia.

ACORD said he did not want the information furnished by him on 5/9/68, concerning a letter dated 12/28/67, from ERIC S. GALT to the American-Southern Africa Council released to the Press.

On 6/11/68, ACORD advised SA ASHLAND that he was disturbed in that he felt the FBI may have violated the confidential nature of the information concerning above letter. ACORD said he had learned an unknown reporter for "Life" magazine is preparing an article which will include information about this letter and the reporter had visited the Rhodesian Information Office, Washington, D.C., seeking information.

ACORD was asked concerning his source that the FBI had released the information and he indicated he did not know and had not heard the FBI had released the information. ACORD said he was aware that persons outside the FBI were made aware of the existence of the letter such as the offices of at least one United States Senator; MICHAEL JAFFE, an attorney and friend

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of ACORD who accompanied ACORD to WFO on 5/9/68; persons at the Rhodesian Information Office; and personnel of his own organization, none of which were informed by the FBI. He said he was hasty in calling the FBI in this regard and he now believes the information obtained from outside the FBI.

ACORD was assured the FBI had not furnished the information to the press or magazines. He said that in the event he learns of anyone attributing this information to the FBI he will advise WFO.

ACORD has requested the letter to be returned to him when it has served it usefulness to the Bureau as he feels it maybe valuable in the future. He was advised the letter would be returned when it is no longer needed.

The above is furnished for the information of the Bureau, it being noted that the Bureau has previously been advised concerning ACORD's request to have the letter returned to him.

CI-157-1893

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The following investigation was conducted by SA
WILLIAM C. FISCHER:

AT URBANA, OHIO

On May 10, 1968, MATTHEW ANDERS, Manager, Ohio Bell Telephone Company, Urbana, advised that telephone number 513-653-6666, is subscribed to by Mr. STANLEY BLAKE, 1040 North Main Street, Urbana, Ohio. ANDERS stated that BLAKE is a retired employee of the Ohio Bell Telephone Company and is known to him to be a citizen of good character and reputation.

On May 10, 1968, attempts to contact STANLEY BLAKE, 1040 North Main Street, were met with negative results.

On April 13, 1968, STANLEY L. BLAKE, 1040 North Main Street, Urbana, Ohio, advised that he cannot recall receiving a telephone call from the Houston, Texas area on December 17, 1967, however, he has a daughter living in the Houston area who frequently telephones him and this call was probably from her. His daughter does not have a telephone at her residence, so most of the telephone calls made by her are from a pay phone booth. He cannot recall receiving a telephone call from anyone else from Houston, Texas, so is positive this phone call must be from his daughter. He identified his daughter as BETTY MARINI, 1710 Pine Village, Springbranch, Houston, Texas.

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The following investigation was conducted by
Special Agent CLAIR W. RITCHEY, JR. at Dayton, Ohio:

On May 1, 1968, Sergeant GEORGE GRAHAM,
Identification and Laboratory Section, Dayton Police
Department, was contacted regarding checking their
latent fingerprint file against the prints of JAMES
EARL RAY. He stated that they do have a limited number
of latent prints and that he would check them against
the prints of RAY, but it would take several days to
complete the job.

On May 7, 1968, Sergeant GRAHAM advised that he
has been unable to make any identification with any of their
latent prints as being identical with RAY.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 4/16/68

Mr. JOE PATRICK, Pal's Laundry, 3167 East Main Street, advised that he uses a Textile Marking Machine Company machine to affix Thermo Seal laundry marks to his work. He has model number H-3L4, serial number 32462. He said that he utilizes a code similar to 02B-6 or D2B-6 and that in his code the first three digits, that is 02B is the lot number and the 6 would be the ticket number. The color of the marking tape also indicates lot number.

Mr. PATRICK said that his laundry handles family type work which includes underclothing.

Mr. PATRICK made available two samples from his machine of tapes bearing the following codes:

(1) 02B-6

(2) D2B-6

These samples bear the number 1, initials WG, and date April 11, 1968.

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On 4/11/68 at Columbus, Ohio File # 157-1893
by SA WILFRED GOODWIN:blb Date dictated 4/12/68

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

1Date 4/16/68

Mr. ANTHONY KRECHMAR, B and B Cleaners, Curtain Service, 161 Thurman Avenue, rear, advised he has Textile Marking Machine Company machine model H-5L4, serial number 32451.

He does the washing and pressing for other laundries in the Columbus, Ohio area and uses a separate code to mark the work for each laundry. He would use code 02B-6 which would mean the following:

0 indicates the work was received directly by B and B. The 2 indicates the lot number. The B is the day of the week that the work was received and he starts his week on Thursday so B is Friday. The dash has no significance as he numbers bundles in the lot and 6 indicates the 6th bundle in lot 2. If there were enough bundles then the dash would be utilized, that is number 10 bundle in lot 6.

Mr. KRECHMAR said that he does not do family wash as a general rule but does have a few accounts with family wash which would include underclothing.

Mr. KRECHMAR made available two samples each of the following codes:

(1) 02B-6

(2) B2B-6

These samples bear the number 2, the initials WG, and the date April 11, 1968.

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On 4/11/68 at Columbus, Ohio File # 157-1893

by SA WILFRED GOODWIN:blb Date dictated 4/12/68

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, Memphis (44-1987)
FROM : SAC, CINCINNATI (157-1893) (P)
SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 6/11/68

Enclosed are 9 copies each of inserts of SA William C. Fischer at Urbana, Ohio; SA Clair W. Ritchey, Jr., at Dayton, Ohio; and two FD 302's of SA Wilfred Goodwin dated 4/12/68 at Columbus, Ohio

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Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan

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DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

June 11, 1968

SAC, JACKSONVILLE (44-769)

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ReBuairtel to Jacksonville dated 5/27/68 and Jacksonville airtel to Director dated 5/22/68. Referenced communication requested Jacksonville at Panama City to conduct investigation requested in Atlanta airtel dated 5/8/68, in an attempt to locate and apprehend Nissen.

For the information of Bureau and Phoenix, this investigation is completed and contained in referenced Jacksonville airtel.

- 2 - Bureau
- ② - Memphis
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- 3 - Jacksonville
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

1Date 5/23/68

United States Postal Money Order Number 1,916,211,078, dated March 8, 1968, in the amount of \$15.00 payable to Locksmithing Institute, Little Falls, New Jersey, and United States Postal Money Order Number 5,615,057,923, dated March 28, 1968, in the amount of \$7.50, purchased at Atlanta, Georgia, payable to the Locksmithing Institute, Little Falls, New Jersey, both bearing the handwritten signature of one ERIC S. GALT, were delivered by Special Agent SIDNEY H. ROCHE to Special Agent FRANCIS M. DEVINE of the Laboratory Division of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

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On 5/23/68 at Washington, D.C.File # WFO 44-703by SA SIDNEY H. ROCHE:acdDate dictated 5/23/68

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

1Date 5/31/68

Mr. JOHN R. TAKACH, Chief, Money Order Branch, General Accounting Office, furnished to the writer, SA SIDNEY H. ROCHE, two original money orders:

Number 1; #1,916,211,078, dated March 8, 1968, in the amount of \$15 purchased at Santa Monica Western Branch, Los Angeles, California, payable to Locksmithing Institute, Little Falls, New Jersey. The signature on this money order bore the name ERIC S. GALT who listed an address as 5533 Hollywood Boulevard, Los Angeles, California.

Number 2; #5,615,057,923, dated March 28, 1968, purchased at the Atlanta, Georgia Office in the amount of \$7.50, payable to the Locksmithing Institute, Little Falls, New Jersey. This money order also bore the signature of ERIC S. GALT who listed an address as 113 14th Street, N.E., Atlanta, Georgia.

Mr. TAKACH said it was not necessary for Agent ROCHE to leave a receipt for these money orders but would like the money orders to be returned to his office upon completion of examination by the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

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On 5/28/68 at Washington, D.C. File # WFO 44-703
by SA SIDNEY H. ROCHE:sas Date dictated 5/27/68

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)

DATE: 6/12/68

FROM : SAC, WFO (44-703) (P)

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re U. S. Postal Money Orders purchased
by ERIC S. GALT

Re Newark teletype 5/20/68; WFO airtel 5/23/68;
Buairtel 5/27/68; and Bulet (Lab Report) 5/27/68.

Enclosed for Memphis are 15 copies each of
two (2) IRFs reflecting investigation concerning use of
money orders.

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5010-108

Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, Memphis (44-1987)

FROM : SAC, Milwaukee (44-388)

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 6/12/68

Re Bureau teletype to All SACs, 6/8/68.

Enclosed for the Memphis Division are two stop notices, inadvertantly retained at Milwaukee.

For the information of Memphis, these stops have been removed, in accordance with referenced teletype.

2 - Memphis (44-1987) (Enc.-2)
1 - Milwaukee (44-388)

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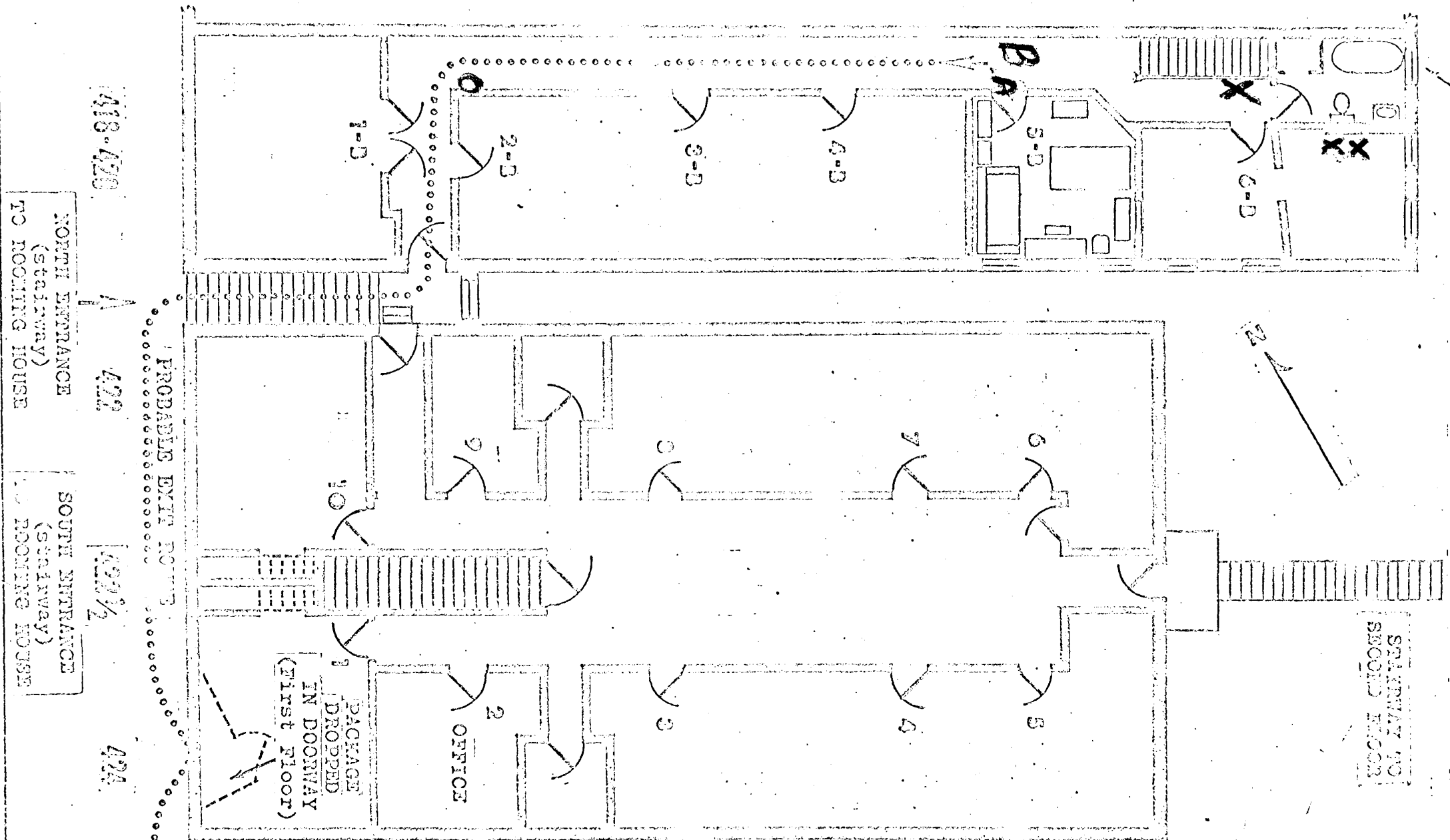
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STATE OF TENNESSEE)
COUNTY OF SHELBY) ss:

I, Charles Quitman Stephens, being duly sworn, depose and say:

1. I am 43 years old and right now I have no fixed address. From March of 1967 until June of 1968, I lived at 422½ South Main Street, Memphis, Tennessee. On April 4, 1968, my common-law wife and I were living there in Apartment 6-B. The floor plan attached hereto and marked Exhibit I, the original of which I have signed, is a good likeness of the relationship of the rooms on the second floor, which was my floor.

2. Mrs. Bessie Brewer was the resident manager of the rooming house. At about 4:00 p.m., or a little later, on April 4, 1968, I thought I heard Mrs. Brewer's voice in the hall and I went out of my apartment to speak to her about the hot-water heater I had been working on. From the banister of the back stairs near my apartment door I saw her and a man standing in the hallway near the entrance to Room 5-B, which is just down the hall from my bedroom. I did not recognize the man with Mrs. Brewer and I assumed he was a new guest looking at the room. The man was looking into the room near the doorway and I got a glimpse at him from his left side. I have marked on the diagram the letter "A" where the man was standing, the letter "B" where Mrs. Brewer was standing, and the letter "X" where I was standing.

3. On April 24, 1968, I looked at FBI Wanted Flyer 442-A, and I identified the profile photograph on the left as looking very much like the man I saw looking at Room 5-B on the afternoon of April 4, 1968. A duplicate of that Wanted