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Via TELETYPE URGENT
(Priority)

TO: LOS ANGELES
FROM: MEMPHIS (44-1987)

MURKIN, CIVIL RIGHTS.

SUBJECT BELIEVED TO BE DRIVING WHITE MUSTANG.
RECORDS AT HOLIDAY INN, THREE SEVEN TWO EIGHT LAMAR
AVE., MEMPHIS, REFLECT THE FOLLOWING:

THEODORE E. DEDERICK, ONE ZERO ZERO ZERO ONE COLLETT
AVE., GRENADA HILLS, CALIFORNIA, REGISTERED APRIL FOUR
THROUGH SIX, LAST, DRIVING A FORD, BEARING ARKANSAS LICENSE
A A V ZERO FIVE FOUR.

ELIMINATE DEDERICK AS SUSPECT.

END.

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10:30PM URGENT 4/9/68 LBN

TO MEMPHIS AND CHICAGO

FROM ATLANTA (44-2386)

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MURKIN, CR.

RE MEMPHIS TELETYPE APRIL EIGHT SIXTYEIGHT AND ATLANTA TELETYPE TO MEMPHIS APRIL NINE SIXTYEIGHT.

SUSPECT JESSE WILLARD EDWARDS NOT EMPLOYED BY WILLIAMS CONSTRUCTION COMPANY SINCE DECEMBER SIXTYFIVE. EMPLOYMENT RECORDS REFLECT EDWARDS' SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER AS

RECORDS REFLECT EDWARDS DIVORCED FROM PATRICIA KELLY EDWARDS MARCH TEN SIXTYFIVE. EDWARDS' SISTER, MRS. JAMES R. KELLY, RESIDES AT EDWARDS' RESIDENCE, EIGHT ZERO FIVE THIRTIETH STREET, COLUMBUS, GA., AND ON INTERVIEW APRIL NINE SIXTYEIGHT STATED HER BROTHER, JESSE WILLARD EDWARDS, IS PRESENTLY WORKING AS A SEAMAN FOR UNKNOWN SHIPPING COMPANY SINCE JUNE SIXTYSEVEN. SHE RECEIVED A CALL FROM HIM ABOUT A MONTH AGO FROM CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS. AT THAT TIME HE SAID HE WAS GOING TO SEA IN A FEW DAYS AND THE SHIP WAS GOING TO AFRICA. HE SAID HE WOULD CALL HER WHEN HE GOT BACK IN ABOUT SIX
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OR EIGHT WEEKS. SHE DOES NOT KNOW THE HOME PORT OR OFFICE OF SHIPPING COMPANY, OR ANY IDENTIFYING NUMBER FOR EDWARDS.

MRS. KELLY MADE AVAILABLE A SNAPSHOT OF EDWARDS TAKEN IN JANUARY SIXTYFOUR AND ADDED THAT EDWARDS AT PRESENT LOOKS MUCH OLDER THEN THE SNAPSHOT SHOWS. HIS HAIR IS ALL WHITE AND HAIR LINE HAS RECEDED ALL THE WAY BACK ON HIS HEAD. THE SNAPSHOT IS BEING FORWARDED MEMPHIS BY MAIL. MRS. KELLY STATED HER BROTHER WALKS WITH NOTICEABLE LIMP. MRS. KELLY STATED HER BROTHER IS AN AVID HUNTER AND OWNS SEVERAL RIFLES AND SHOTGUNS WHICH HE CLEANED AND PACKED AND PUT AWAY IN THE ATTIC BEFORE HE LEFT TO GOT TO SEA IN JUNE SIXTYSEVEN. THEY HAVE NOT BEEN TOUCHED SINCE.

MRS. KELLY STATED SHE DOES NOT HAVE THE ADDRESS OF EDWARDS' FORMER WIFE BUT SAID THE WIFE USES THE NAME OF PATRICIA KELLY EDWARDS AND HAS AN APARTMENT IN CHICAGO. HER THREE YEAR OLD SON IS WITH HER AND SHE IS SUPPOSED TO BE WORKING BUT EMPLOYER UNKNOWN.

ON APRIL NINE SIXTYEIGHT MRS. LOUISE SNEAD, GEORGIA DRIVERS LICENSE BUREAU, ADVISED GEORGIA DRIVERS LICENSE NUMBER NINE NINE SIX FIVE SEVEN SIX WAS ISSUED MARCH SIXTEEN FORTYFIVE
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AGE THREE...

TO JESSE WILLARD EDWARDS, EIGHT ZERO FIVE THIRTIETH STREET,
COLUMBUS, GA., THEN EMPLOYED U.S. MERCHANT MARINE. THIS LICENSE
RENEWED SEPTEMBER FIVE SIXTYTHREE WHICH WILL EXPIRE JULY EIGHTEEN
SIXTYEIGHT. AT TIME OF RENEWAL SAME ADDRESS AS ABOVE FURNISHED.
EDWARDS DESCRIBED AS WHITE MALE, BORN [REDACTED],
BLUE EYES, BROWN HAIR, ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY FIVE LBS., FIVE FEET
NINE INCHES. DRIVERS LICENSE BUREAU RECORDS REFLECT ON
FEBRUARY TWENTYFIVE FIFTYSEVEN EDWARDS WAS FINED TWENTYTWO DOLLARS
AND FIFTY CENTS FOR SPEEDING BY ORDINARY'S COURT, FAYETTEVILLE,
GA. NO FURTHER DETAILS.

ON APRIL NINE SIXTYEIGHT MRS. LORETTA BROOKS, GEORGIA
MOTOR VEHICLE BUREAU, ADVISED ONE NINE SIXTYFIVE GEORGIA
LICENSE FOUR R THREE FOUR EIGHT ZERO ISSUED MARCH TWENTYFIVE
SIXTYFIVE TO J.W. EDWARDS, EIGHT ZERO FIVE THIRTIETH STREET,
COLUMBUS, GA., FOR NINETEEN SIXTYFOUR WILLIS. ATLANTA INDICES
NEGATIVE RE EDWARDS.

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Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL
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TO: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)

FROM: *W/ll* SAC, ATLANTA (44-2386) (P)

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Atlanta teletype to Memphis, 4/9/68.

Enclosed for Memphis is one Polaroid copy of snapshot of JESSE WILLARD EDWARDS referred to in retel.

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Via TELETYPE URGENT
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TO HOUSTON
FROM MEMPHIS (44-1987)

MURKIN, CR.

RE HOUSTON TELETYPE TO MEMPHIS TWELVE FIFTY EIGHT P.M.,
APRIL NINE, INSTANT.

HOUSTON SHOULD REQUEST BUREAU SEARCH SUSPECT WILLIAM
LEO BEIR'S FINGERPRINTS AGAINST LATENTS ALREADY IN BUREAU'S
POSSESSION IN EFFORT TO ELIMINATE BEIR AS SUSPECT.

ALL FUTURE LEADS SHOULD BE HANDLED BY HOUSTON DIRECTLY
AS LATENT FINGERPRINTS ARE AVAILABLE ON WHICH ELIMINATIONS
CAN BE MADE.

PENDING.

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To: SAC, Houston (44-1509)

From: Director, FBI (44-38861)

MURKIN

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Remaining unidentified latent fingerprints this case are not identical with the fingerprints of WILLIAM LEO BEIER, born [redacted] La Fayette, Indiana, FBI #271-171-4, who may or may not be the same as the William Leo Beier described in referenced teletype.

No palm prints are available in our Identification Division files for Beier.

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TO: CLEVELAND
FROM: MEMPHIS (44-1987)

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RECORDS AT HOLIDAY INN, THREE SEVEN TWO EIGHT LAMAR
AVE., MEMPHIS, REFLECT THE FOLLOWING:

GEORGE A. BALOGH ONE FOUR EIGHT ONE SIX CLIFTON
BOULEVARD, LAKEWOOD, OHIO, REGISTERED APRIL TWO THROUGH
SIX, LAST, DRIVING A FORD BEARING LICENSE NO. L D FOUR FOUR
EIGHT, STATE UNKNOWN.

ELIMINATE BALOGH AS SUSPECT.

END.

JWB:jms

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TO DIRECTOR (44-38861)
FROM CLEVELAND (44-565) 2P

ATTENTION IDENTIFICATION DIVISION, LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION.
MURKIN.

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RE MEMPHIS TEL TO CLEVELAND, APRIL NINE, SIXTYEIGHT.

ZSOLT ARPAD BALOGH, AKA., GEORGE A. BALOGH, ADVISED THAT HE WAS IN MEMPHIS, TENN., FROM APRIL TWO, SIXTYEIGHT, UNTIL APPROXIMATELY SEVEN THIRTY P.M., APRIL FOUR, SIXTYEIGHT, AT WHICH TIME HE CHECKED OUT OF THE HOLIDAY INN SOUTHEAST BECAUSE OF FEAR OF RACIAL DISORDER FOLLOWING THE SHOOTING OF DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING.

BALOGH ADVISED THAT HE HAD BEEN DISCHARGED FROM U.S. NAVY ON APRIL ONE, SIXTYEIGHT, AT NORFOLK, VA. HE ADVISED THAT HIS SERVICE NUMBER WAS NINE ONE SIX FIVE ONE SEVEN FIVE, DATE OF BIRTH [REDACTED], NYIREGYHAZA, HUNGARY. HE ADVISED
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HE WAS DRIVING HIS CAR, A NINETEEN SIXTYTHREE DARK BLUE FORD,
TWO DOOR CUSTOM, BEARING SIXTYEIGHT OHIO LICENSE L D FOUR FOUR
EIGHT.

LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION REQUESTED TO CHECK U.S. NAVAL
FINGERPRINTS OF BALOGH WITH LATENTS OBTAINED CAPTIONED MATTER.

AIR MAIL COPY BEING FURNISHED MEMPHIS.

END

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airtel

air mail special delivery

TO: SAC, CLEVELAND (44-565)
SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)

FROM: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-36861)

RE: MURKIN

Reurtel 4-11-68.

Latent fingerprints this case not identical fingerprints named suspect ZSOLT ANPAD BALOGH, DOB [redacted], Hungary, Navy service #9165175. Palm prints not available here for BALOGH.

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TO BALTIMORE AND MEMPHIS
FROM ATLANTA

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MURKIN.

RE BALTIMORE TELETYPE TO MEMPHIS APRIL NINE SIXTYEIGHT
CONCERNING EDGAR FRANKLIN JOHNSTON.

MR. AND MRS. CHARLES P. FRANKLIN, SEVEN PARIS DRIVE, ROME,
GEORGIA ADVISED ON APRIL NINE SIXTYEIGHT THEIR SON, EDGAR FRANKLIN
JOHNSTON ARRIVED NINE THIRTY A.M. VIA AIR AT ATLANTA MARCH THIRTY
SIXTYEIGHT FROM SILVER SPRING, MARYLAND AND DEPARTED TEN THIRTY
A.M. APRIL THREE SIXTYEIGHT VIA AIR FROM ATLANTA ENROUTE SILVER
SPRING. THEY COULD NOT RECALL NAME OF AIRLINE USED BY JOHNSTON.

PARENTS ADVISED SON VISITED WITH THEM DURING ABOVE PERIOD.

ATLANTA AREA TELEPHONE DIRECTORY DOES NOT LIST CLYDE L. JOHNSTON.

BALTIMORE ASCERTAIN EDGAR FRANKLIN JOHNSTON'S WHEREABOUTS
THROUGHT SILVER SPRING SOURCES.

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SERIAL 25 TRANSFERRED TO NEW FILE
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RE: WILEY LEROY DEEN: WILLIAM ALFRED
MC KENZIE: EXPLOSTION ~~BT~~ ON SIWELL RD.
JACKSON, MISS. #X-4-7, last.)

Employee

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TO DIRECTOR , MEMPHIS, BIRMINGHAM, AND SACRAMENTO
FROM LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

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MURKIN CR.

RE SAN DIEGO TEL TO BUREAU APRIL NINE INSTANT.

FOR INFO SACRAMENTO, FOLLOWING SET FORTH IN RETEL:

"JERRY HEDGEMAN, ONE ZERO THREE NINE SIXTH AVENUE
SOUTH, ST. PETERSBURG, FLORIDA, ADVISED ONE BURNS LYMAN,
AND EXPERT TREE TRIMMER WHOM HE WORKED AT ST. PETERSBURG
ABOUT SIXTYTHREE, HAD EXPRESSED A GREAT DISLIKE FOR DR.
MARTIN LUTHER KING. HEDGEMAN SAID LYMAN HAD FOUR OR FIVE
RIFLES MOST OF WHICH WERE EQUIPPED WITH SCOPES WHICH GUNS
HE HAD ALLEGEDLY USED FOR HUNTING BEAR IN UTAH. HE ALLEGEDLY
MADE STATEMENTS TO HEDGEMAN SEVERAL TIMES THAT HIS AMBITION
WAS TO KIL MARTIN LUTHER KING AMONG OTHERS.

HEDGEMAN FURNISHED BACKGROUND INFORMATION RE LYMAN
CORR LINE FIVE WORD FOUR SHD BE TRIMMER
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WHICH IDENTIFIED HIM WITH ONE THERAL BURNS LYMAN, WHITE, MALE, BORN [REDACTED] AT MOAB, UTAH, FIVE FEET NINE, ONE THREE ZERO POUNDS, BROWN HAIR AND EYES, ONE OF THE SUBJECTS OF CASE ENTITLED "THERAL BURNS LYMAN, AKA. - FUGITIVE; DAVID JOSEPH JIRON, UFAP - FORGERY, ITSMV; ITSP; SSA, NINETEEN FORTHEIGHT, SANDIEGO OFFICE OF ORIGIN.

REPORT OF SA THEODORE S. KRAMER, JULY TWO EIGHT, NINETEEN SIX FOUR, RE THIS MATTER INDICATED LYMAN THEN IN CUSTODY IN MICHIGAN HAD INDICATED A DESIRE TO WAIVE EXTRADITION AND WAS TO BE RETURNED TO SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA, TO FACE CHARGES ON A FORGERY WARRANT.

SAN DIEGO WAS REQUESTED TO ASCERTAIN DISPOSITION RE LYMAN AND CONDUCT APPROPRIATE INVESTGATION IN EFFORT TO DETERMINE IF HE SHOULD BE CONSIDERED A SUSPECT IN INSTANT CASE.

RECORDS, SAN DIEGO POLICE DEPARTMENT, REFLECT SUBJECT SENTENCED OCTOBER EIGHT, NINETEEN SIXTYFOUR, ON FORGERY CHARGES AND ON OCTOBER NINETEEN NINEEN SIXTYFOUR, AND ON OCTOBER NINETEEN, NINETEEN SIXTYFIVE WAS PLACED ON PAROLE "OUT OF STATE." AS OF APRIL NINETEEN LAST LYMAN WAS RELEASED
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FROM PAROLE.

REVIEW OF SAN DIEGO FILE REFLECTS FOLLOWING BACKGROUND
INFORMATION RE LYMAN;

NAME THERAL BURNS LYMAN, WMA, BORN [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], MOAB, UTAH, ONE THREE FIVE POUNDS,
BROWN HAIR, BROWN EYES, RUDDY COMPLEXION, TATTOO OF FLOWER
ON HIS CHEST, OCCUPATION BARTENDER, TREE TRIMMER, CARD
DEALER, SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], PARENTS ROBERT LYMAN, FATHER,
ONE FOUR SEVEN OR ONE FOUR NINE EIGHTH STREET EAST, SALT
LAKE CITY, UTAH. ARLENE LYMAN, MOTHER, BLACKFOOT, IDAHO,
MILITARY SERVICE, U.S. AIR FORCE ONE NINE FOUR FIVE DASH
ONE NINE FIVE FIVE, SERIAL NUMBER ONE NINE FIVE ONE SEVEN
SIX FOUR FIVE, WIFE MARY EAGLAN LYMAN, LAST KNOWN ADDRESS
SEVEN ONE FOUR AND A HALF GROVE STREET, ST. PETERSBURG,
FLORIDA, FBI NUMBER NINE ZERO EIGHT ONE THREE ZERO E.

LOS ANGELES REQUESTED TO REVIEW FILES RE LYMAN AT CHINO
STATE PENITENTIARY AND SET FORTH LEADS TO LOCATE LYMAN TO
DETERMINE IF HE IS IDENTICAL TO UNKNOWN SUBJECT THIS CASE.

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ATTEMPT TO OBTAIN PHOTOGRAPH OF LYMAN AND FURNISH TO ALL INTERESTED OFFICES".

CONTACT WITH PRISON AT CHINO, CALIFORNIA APRIL NINE INSTANT DETERMINED LOHMEYER NOT IN CUSTODY AND NO RECORD LOCATED FOR HIM. PRISON OFFICIALS STATE IF LOHMEYER RELEASED FROM CHINO MORE THAN ONE YEAR AGO ALL RECORDS FOR HIM WILL BE LOCATED AT RECORDS FACILITY, CALIFORNIA MEDICAL FACILITY, VACAVILLE, CALIF.

SACRAMENTO AT VACAVILLE HANDLE.

AM COPIES TO SAN DIEGO AND SALT LAKE CITY.

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AIRMAIL

TO: SAC, BIRMINGHAM (44-1740)
SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)
FROM: SAC, SAN DIEGO (44-387)

MURKIN

Re Tampa teletype to Bureau and SAC's San Diego and Birmingham and Memphis 4/8/68; San Diego teletype to Bureau, Birmingham, Memphis and Los Angeles 4/9/68; Butel to San Diego and Memphis 4/10/68.

Enclosed for the Birmingham and Memphis offices are two photographs each of THERAL BURNS LYMAN for assistance of the Birmingham and Memphis Offices in this case.

These photographs should be displayed to appropriate individuals to determine if THERAL BURNS LYMAN is identical with Unknown Subject in this case.

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TO: INDIANAPOLIS
FROM: MEMPHIS (44-1987).

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SUBJECT BELIEVED TO BE DRIVING A WHITE MUSTANG.
RECORDS AT THE HOLIDAY INN, THREE SEVEN TWO EIGHT LAMAR
AVE., MEMPHIS, REFLECT THE FOLLOWING:

GERALD J. ROONEY, SEVEN TWO ZERO ONE NORTH ILLINOIS
ST., INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA, REGISTERED APRIL ONE THROUGH
FIVE, LAST, DRIVING A FORD BEARING TENNESSEE LICENSE
A P EIGHT SIX EIGHT EIGHT.

ELIMINATE ROONEY AS SUSPECT.

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Approved: *Joe R. Jensen*
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1125PM URGENT 4-9-68 ELN

TO DIRECTOR, MEMPHIS AND DALLAS

FROM KANSAS CITY (44-760)

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MURKIN. OO: MEMPHIS

RE KANSAS CITY TEL TO BUREAU APRIL NINE INSTANT.

LYNN RAY CLEVELAND ARRESTED JOPLIN, MO. PD FOUR FIFTY PM AND BOOKED ON CHARGE HOLD FOR INVESTIGATION-HOMICIDE OTHER CITIES. ENTIRE BASIS FOR ARREST WAS WOMAN WHO OBSERVED CLEVELAND HITCHHIKING AND THOUGHT HE RESEMBLED ARTIST CONCEPTION OF UNSUB IN NEWSPAPER. LOCAL NEWS MEDIA MONITORING JOPLIN PD RADIO PICKED UP THIS INFO WHICH RESULTED IN MANY PRESS INQUIRIES. JOPLIN CHIEF OF POLICE DENIES TELLING PRESS OR ANYONE ELSE CLEVELAND BEING HELD FOR FBI. CHIEF OF POLICE JOPLIN, MO. ANTICIPATES FILING VAG. CHARGE ON CLEVELAND APRIL TEN NEXT. WHEN ARRESTED CLEVELAND HAD NO LUGGAGE OR IDENTIFICATION AND ONLY FIVE CENTS ON PERSON. CLAIMS NO PERMANENT ADDRESS AND THAT HE IS TRAVELING BAPTIST MINISTER AND EVANGELISTIC SINGER.

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CLEVELAND RAMBLES INCOHERENTLY AND CANNOT FURNISH DEFINITE INFO AS TO PAST WHEREABOUTS AND RELATES BEING FORMER PATIENT AT TERRELL STATE HOSPITAL TERRELL, TEXAS. DENIES MURDER AND BEING IN MEMPHIS, TENN. AND BIRMINGHAM, ALA. DURING PAST TWO WEEKS. CLAIMS HAS RESIDED SPRINGFIELD, MO. INTERMITTEDLY LAST SEVERAL WEEKS AT VARIOUS HOTELS. INVESTIGATION BEING CONDUCTED TO VERIFY WHEREABOUTS ON APRIL FOUR LAST. PHOTO BEING MAILED DIRECT TO MEMPHIS OFFICE. MAJOR CASE PRINTS BEING OBTAINED FOR FORWARDING TO BUREAU.

CLEVELAND DESCRIBED AS WM, AGE THIRTYTHREE, POB PALMER, TEXAS, FIVE FEET ELEVEN INCHES, ONE HUNDRED FIFTYFIVE LBS., BROWN RECEDING HAIR, BLUE EYES, LONG PROMINENT NOSE AND LONG SIDE BURNS. PARENTS ARE MR. AND MRS. GARLAND FRANCIS CLEVELAND, SEVEN ZERO ONE MAIN STREET, PALMER, TEXAS WHERE FATHER IS MANAGER OF BARRON BRICK CO.

DALLAS VERIFY CLEVELAND AS PATIENT TERRELL STATE HOSPITAL AND OBTAIN MENTAL CONDITION. DALLAS INTERVIEW PARENTS FOR MENTAL CONDITION, BACKGROUND AND WHEREABOUTS ON APRIL FOUR.

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502AM URGENT 4-10-68 MXS
TO KANSAS CITY 44-764 MEMPHIS 44-1987
FROM DIRECTOR 4438361 1P

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MURKIN.

REMETEL APRIL NINE LAST AND KC TEL APRIL NINE LAST.

REMAINING LATENT FINGERPRINTS THIS CASE NOT IDENTICAL
FINGERPRINTS LYNN RAY CLEVELAND, BOORN ,
PALMER, TEXAS, ST. LOUIS COUNTY POLICE, CLAYTON, MISSOURI,
NUMBER ONE TWO ZERO FOUR FOUR. NO PALM PRINTS AVAILABLE.

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For Stockton

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TO DIRECTOR(44-38861) AND MEMPHIS(44-1937) AND KANSAS CITY(44-760)
FROM DALLAS (44-2649)(1P)

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RE LYNN RAY CLEVELAND AND KNSAS CITY TEL TO BUREAU APRIL NINE
LAST.

WAL

DR. TALLEY, CLINICAL DIRECTOR, TERRELL STATE HOSPITAL,
TERRELL, TEXAS, ADVISED CLEVELAND WAS PATIENT THERE THREE
TIMES, THE FIRST BEING FEB. FOUR SIXTYTHREE, THE LATTER OCCASION
BEING NOV. SIXTEEN SIXTYSIX TO FEB. NINE SIXTYSEVEN WHEN
ESCAPED. DISCHARGED FEB. TWENTYONE SIXTYSEVEN WHILE IN ESCAPED STATUS.
DIAGNOSED SCHIZOPHRENIC CHRONIC UNDIFFERENTIATED TYPE.
TALLEY RECEIVED ASSOCIATED PRESS INQUIRY LAST NIGHT BUT FURNISHED
NO INFO.

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MRS. HOUSTON MC CLAIN, BARRON BRICK COMPANY, PALMER,
TEXAS STATED THEIR EMPLOYEE, GARLAND FRANCIS CLEVELAND,
LEFT EARLY TODAY VIA AUTO FOR JOPLIN, MISSOURI TO OBTAIN
CUSTODY OF SON LYNN AND RETURN HIM TO TEXAS.

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KANSAS CITY AT JOPLIN. INTERVIEW GARLAND FRANCIS CLEVELAND
WHEN HE ARRIVES TO OBTAIN SON.

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RE KANSAS CITY AIRTEL TO BUREAU APRIL NINE LAST.

✓ INVESTIGATION HOTEL HOFF FAILS TO LOCATE REGISTRATION FOR
 LYNN RAY CLEVELAND DURING APRIL, SIXTYEIGHT. CLEVELAND RECEIVED
 TWENTY DOLLAR MONEY ORDER SPRINGFIELD, MO. AT NINE FORTY FIVE
 PM APRIL THREE LAST. CLEVELAND REGISTERED AT STATE HOTEL,
 SPRINGFIELD, MO., ELEVEN ZERO FIVE PM, APRIL THREE,
 SIXTYEIGHT FOR ONE DAY CHECKING OUT PRIOR TO TWO PM APRIL
 FOUR LAST, EXACT TIME UNKNOWN. CLEVELAND CONTACTED FIRST
 BAPTIST CHURCH, BOLIVAR, MO., THREE PM, APRIL FIVE LAST
 RECEIVING FREE MEAL AND INDICATED SPENT NIGHT APRIL FOUR-FIVE,
 LAST SPRINGFIELD, MO., LOCATION UNKNOWN. REV. TOM GEERS AND
 CLAUDE BARCLAY ACQUAINTED WITH CLEVELAND BUT COULD NOT
 FURNISH ANY PERTINENT INFO RE CLEVELAND'S WHEREABOUTS APRIL
 FOUR LAST. EFFORTS TO LOCATE AND IDENTIFY RICHARD RUBLE,
 SPRINGFIELD, MO. UNSUCCESSFUL TO DATE. INVESTIGATION
 CONTINUING VERIFY CLEVELAND'S LOCATION TIME OF KING'S MURDER.

Cleveland

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Joe *misc suspect* *44-1987-Sub E-200*

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ON APRIL TEN CLEVELAND PLEAD GUILTY VAGRANCY CHARGE
IN POLICE COURT, JOPLIN, MO. AND SENTENCED TO THREE DAYS.
HIS EXPECTED RELEASE TIME IS FIVE PM ON FRIDAY, APRIL TWELVE
NEXT. HOWEVER HIS FATHER TELEPHONICALLY ADVISED COP, JOPLIN, MO.,
THAT FATHER MAY TAKE CUSTODY OF CLEVELAND AND HOSPITALIZE HIM
FOR HIS MENTAL CONDITION, PROBABLY AT TERRELL TEXAS STATE
HOSPITAL.

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926 AM URGENT 4/10/68 PHM
TO DIRECTOR, DALLAS, MEMPHIS
FROM KANSAS CITY 44-760 2P

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RE KANSAS CITY TEL APRIL NINE LAST.

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REV. BILLY MAX WUELLNER, BAXTER SPRINGS, KS., HAS

POSITIVELY IDENTIFIED LYNN RAY CLEVELAND AS PERSON WHO APPEARED HIS CHURCH OFFICE, BAXTER SPRINGS, ONE FORTYFIVE PM APRIL THREE LAST. CLAIMS WALKED INTO OFFICE ALONE AND UNANNOUNCED, WANTING TO REST, PLAY PIANO, AND HAVE PRAYER SESSION. CLEVELAND MADE COMMENT HE HAD BEEN ON ROAD FOR SOMETIME, WAS HITCHHIKING TO SPRINGFIELD, MO., AND ALSO MENTIONED HAVING PREVIOUSLY BEEN IN MENTAL INSTITUTION. WUELLNER POSITIVE BEYOND DOUBT AS TO TIME AND DATE OF CONTACT DUE TO FACT HE LEFT CLEVELAND TO ATTEND CHURCH BOARD MEETING.

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WHEN PERSONALLY CONFRONTED BY WUELLNER, CLEVELAND RECALLED BEING IN BAXTER SPRINGS, KS. CLAIMS HITCHHIKED FROM THAT CITY TO SPRINGFIELD, MO., ARRIVING SPRINGFIELD NIGHT APRIL THREE LAST. AT APPROXIMATELY TEN PM, APRIL THREE LAST, OBTAINED TWENTY DOLLARS FROM WESTERN UNION OFFICE, SPRINGFIELD, SENT BY

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HIS FATHER IN PALMER, TEX., ABOUT FIVE DAYS PREVIOUS TO APRIL THREE LAST. BELIEVES STAYED NIGHT APRIL THREE LAST AT STATE HOTEL, SPRINGFIELD, AND ON APRIL THREE AND FOUR LAST WOULD HAVE BEEN IN CONTACT WITH REV. RICHARD RUBLE, ONE EIGHT SEVEN ONE NORTH BROADWAY, SPRINGFIELD. OF OPINION HE STAYED NIGHT APRIL FOUR LAST AT HOFF'S HOTEL, SPRINGFIELD, MO.

PHOTOS OF CLEVELAND MAILED DIRECT, JOPLIN, MO., TO MEMPHIS, NIGHT APRIL NINE LAST.

INVESTIGATION CONTINUING SPRINGFIELD, MO., TO VERIFY CLEVELAND'S WHEREABOUTS DURING PERTINENT PERIOD.

DALLAS AT PALMER, TEX., VERIFY THROUGH GARLAND CLEVELAND TRANSMITTAL OF MONEY VIA WESTERN UNION AS CLAIMED.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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MCP

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AIRTEL

AIR MAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
ATTENTION: LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION
IDENTIFICATION DIVISION

FROM: SAC, KANSAS CITY (44-760) P

SUBJECT: MURKIN
OO MEMPHIS

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Reference Kansas City teletypes 4/9, 10/68.

Enclosed are six (6) cards bearing major case prints of LYNN RAY CLEVELAND, obtained 4/10/68 at Joplin, Missouri.

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On the morning of 4/10/68, CLEVELAND entered a plea of guilty in Joplin Municipal Court, Joplin, Missouri, to charge of vagrancy and on same date sentenced to three days in city jail. Normal release time 5:00 pm, 4/12/68.

Bureau is requested to compare major case prints of CLEVELAND with latents obtained in captioned matter.

- 3 Bureau (Enc. 6) (RM)
- ② Memphis
- 1 Dallas (Info)
- 2 Kansas City
- REH:jrt
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4-13-68

airtel

air mail special delivery

TO: SAC, KANSAS CITY (44-760)

FROM: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

RE: MURKIN

Re KC airtel 4-11-68 submitting major case prints of LYNN RAY CLEVELAND.

Remaining unidentified latent prints in this case are not identical with the finger or palm prints of CLEVELAND.

Prints of CLEVELAND are being retained temporarily in Identification Division.

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Via _____
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TO: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1897)
FROM: *WSAC*, KANSAS CITY (44-760)
SUBJECT: MURKIN

OO: Memphis
Bufile 44-38861

Re Kansas City teletypes, 4/9/68 and 4/10/68.

Enclosed to Memphis are five (5) different photos of LYNN RAY CLEVELAND as obtained from Joplin, Missouri Police Department on 4/11/68.

Due to the nationwide publicity concerning the arrest of CLEVELAND by the Joplin Police Department on 4/9/68, it is felt the enclosed photos should be exhibited to pertinent witnesses even though CLEVELAND has been eliminated as subject in this matter. This is suggested as it is felt CLEVELAND's arrest might be the object of close scrutiny by the defense attorney of any subject identified and brought to trial in this case and therefore, CLEVELAND should be eliminated by all means logical.

The Kansas City Division will submit FD-302s pertaining to investigation relating to arrest and elimination of CLEVELAND as suspect.

- ② - Memphis (Encs. 5)
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Date: 4/9/68

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Via TELETYPE URGENT
(Priority)

TO: DETROIT
FROM: MEMPHIS (44-1987)

MURKIN, CIVIL RIGHTS.

SUSPECT BELIEVED TO BE DRIVING A WHITE MUSTANG.

RECORDS AT THE HOLIDAY INN, THREE SEVEN TWO EIGHT LAMAR
AVE., MEMPHIS, REFLECT THE FOLLOWING:

LAWRENCE H. MILLER, ONE NINE FIVE ZERO ZERO CHERRY
HILL LANE, SOUTHFIELD, MISSISSIPPI, REGISTERED APRIL THREE
THROUGH FIVE, LAST, DRIVING FORD BEARING TENNESSEE
LICENSE A P EIGHT FIVE NINE FOUR.

ELIMINATE MILLER AS SUSPECT.

END.

JWB:jms
(1) *jms*

- Airtel _____
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Approved: *[Signature]* Special Agent in Charge Sent *11 30/p* M Per *[Signature]*

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Date: 4/9/68

Transmit the following in PLAINTEXT
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Via TELETYPE URGENT
(Priority)

TO: SPRINGFIELD
FROM: MEMPHIS (44-1987)

MURKIN, CIVIL RIGHTS.

SUBJECT BELIEVED TO BE DRIVING A WHITE MUSTANG.

RECORDS AT THE HOLIDAY INN, THREE SEVEN TWO EIGHT LAMAR
AVE., MEMPHIS, REFLECT THE FOLLOWING:

J. J. TRARES, POST OFFICE BOX EIGHT FIVE THREE,
NO. FOUR SHERYL DRIVE, EAST ST. LOUIS, ILLINOIS, REGISTERED
APRIL TWO THROUGH FOUR, LAST, DRIVING A FORD BEARING
LICENSE NO. RA NINE SEVEN FOUR ONE ONE, STATE UNKNOWN.

ELIMINATE TRARES AS SUSPECT.

END.

JWB:jms
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- Teletype _____
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Special Agent in Charge

Sent *11 45* M Per *[Signature]*

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FBI BIRMGHAM

1148 PM URGENT 4-9-68 GDM

TO DIRECTOR, JACKSON AND MEMPHIS
FROM BIRMINGHAM (44-1740)

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MURKIN. CR. OO: ME.

ABOUT SIX P.M. APR. NINE INSTANT, MRS. ALICE DRAKE (PROTECT IDENTITY) CLERK, HOLIDAY INN MOTEL, HIGHWAY THIRTYONE SOUTH, DECATUR, ALA., ADVISED SHE MADE RESERVATION AROUND NOON TODAY FOR M. J. ENGLAND WHO GAVE ADDRESS AS FT. WORTH, TEX., AT HOLIDAY INN MOTEL LOCATED AT RIVERMONT AND THIRD STREET, CORINTH, MISS., EFFECTIVE UPON ARRIVAL AT SIX P.M. TODAY. SHE STATED ENGLAND RESEMBLED ARTIST'S CONCEPTION OF UNSUB IN THIS MATTER AS SAME DISPLAYED TO HER TODAY. FURTHER ENGLAND TRAVELING IN WHITE BUICK LESABRE BEARING TEX. LICENSE D WW TWO THREE FIVE AND MENTIONED HE HAS SPENT CONSIDERABLE TIME IN MEMPHIS AREA DURING PAST BUT FELT WOULD BE BETTER THAT HE STAY IN CORINTH TODIGHT. SHE DESCRIBED ENGLAND AS W/M APPROXIMATELY THIRTY-SEVEN, FIVE FEET TEN INCHES, WEIGHT ONE SEVENTY TO ONE EIGHTY, LIGHT BROWN HAIR, MEDIUM - HEAVY BUILD, DRESSED IN BROWN SUIT AND TIE, NEAT APPEARANCE.

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JACKSON AT CORINTH LOCATE AND INTERVIEW ENGLAND AND
DETERMINE IF ANY CONNECTION THIS MATTER.

END

AND HOLD

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Via TELETYPE URGENT
(Priority)

TO: ATLANTA
FROM: MEMPHIS (44-1987)

MURKIN, CIVIL RIGHTS.

RECORDS AT THE HOLIDAY INN, THREE SEVEN TWO EIGHT LAMAR AVE.,
MEMPHIS, REFLECT THE FOLLOWING:

FRANK J. MC MAHON, FOUR ZERO SEVEN NINE NAVADO TRAIL,
ATLANTA, REGISTERED APRIL ONE THROUGH TWO, LAST, DRIVING FORD
BEARING FLORIDA LICENSE NO. ONE SEVEN THREE FIVE FIVE.

J. H. LOVE, FIVE FOUR FOUR ZERO JOYCE DRIVE, FOREST
PARK, GEORGIA, REGISTERED APRIL ONE THROUGH FIVE, LAST, DRIVING
FORD, BEARING GEORGIA LICENSE G ONE ONE ONE FIVE FOUR ONE
SEVEN.

R. F. NASH, FIVE ONE NINE ZERO NORMAN BLVD., COLLEGE
PARK, GEORGIA, REGISTERED APRIL ONE THROUGH FOUR, LAST,
DRIVING FORD BEARING GEORGIA LICENSE ONE DASH THREE ONE FIVE
SEVEN THREE.

DURELL RUFFIN, TWO ZERO FIVE EIGHT PALIFOX DRIVE,
ATLANTA, GEORGIA, REGISTERED APRIL ONE THROUGH TWO, LAST,
DRIVING FORD BEARING MISSISSIPPI LICENSE SEVEN-ZERO ONE
SIX SIX EIGHT

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CHARLES B. ADAMS, ONE ZERO ZERO CARDINAL LAKE DRIVE,
DULUTH, GEORGIA, REGISTERED APRIL FOUR THROUGH EIGHT, LAST,
DRIVING A FORD BEARING GEORGIA LICENSE ONE SIX J ONE NINE
ZERO NINE.

ATLANTA ELIMINATE MC MAHON, LOVE, NASH, RUFFIN, AND
ADAMS AS SUSPECTS.
END.

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Special Agent in Charge

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Via TELETYPE URGENT
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TO: BIRMINGHAM
FROM: MEMPHIS (44-1987)

MURKIN, CIVIL RIGHTS.

RECORDS AT HOLIDAY INN, THREE SEVEN TWO EIGHT LAMAR
AVE., MEMPHIS, REFLECT THE FOLLOWING:

HARRY A. EDGE, EIGHT ONE SEVEN NINE RUGBY AVE.,
BIRMINGHAM, REGISTERED APRIL FOUR DASH FIVE, LAST, DRIVING
FORD BEARING ALABAMA LICENSE ONE DASH EIGHT NINE SEVEN
EIGHT EIGHT SEVEN.

ROBERT A. MURRAY, ONE TWO ONE THREE DRUID HILLS,
TUSCALOOSA, ALABAMA, REGISTERED APRIL TWO THROUGH THREE,
LAST, DRIVING FORD BEARING ALABAMA LICENSE.

BIRMINGHAM ELIMINATE EDGE AND MURRAY AS SUSPECTS.

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Registered Approved: J.P. Jensen
Special Agent in Charge

Sent 11:57 P M Per Ref

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airtel

air mail special delivery

TO: SAC, LOUISVILLE (44-947)
FROM: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
RE: MURKIN

Re TEL Louisville and Cleveland 4-12-68.

Latent fingerprints and latent impression this case not identical fingerprints named suspect HAROLD WILLARD WILSON, FBI #682 868 C.

No palm prints available here for WILSON.

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AIRTEL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, WFO (157-1576)

ASSASSINATION OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
CIVIL RIGHTS

IN DET

On 4/7/68, at approximately 1:50 p.m., Agent WILLIAM STUCKEY, Secret Service, White House, telephonically advised SA JIMMIE E. HURD that a collect call had come to the White House from Lansing, Michigan. STUCKEY advised they at first declined the collect call until the operator indicated it had to do with the assassination of KING. Call accepted and a male individual stated he knew who killed KING and immediately hung up.

Agent STUCKEY advised they traced the call through Lansing operator #105 and determined it came from a pay phone # 337-9034 located in a Burger King near the University of Michigan with address Grand River and Stoddard.

DE conduct investigation at Lansing in attempt to identify caller and information in his possession if he is identified.

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TELETYPE URGENT

TO: SAC JACKSON (157-2866)
FROM: SAC MOBILE (157-2627)

MURKIN

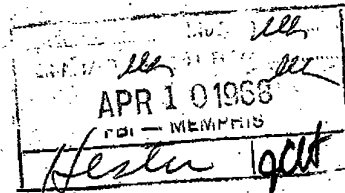
RE JACKSON TELETYPE TO MOBILE AND PHOENIX, APR. FIVE,
LAST, AND PHOENIX TELETYPE TO JACKSON AND MOBILE, SAME DATE.

OWNER, EDISON DEKLE CO., ADVISED THIS DATE THAT DRIVER
JAMES MC KAY ARRIVED MOBILE, ALA., A.M., APR. SEVEN, LAST,
WITH LOAD OF PRODUCE. MC KAY OPERATING AMERICAN CYANAMID
TRAILER BEARING TAG T - THREE THREE.

SHIPPING PAPERS SIGNED BY MC KAY SHOWED PICK UP APR. FOUR,
LAST, AT BRADLEY PRODUCE, SIX TWO ONE ZERO N. FIVE FIVE AVE.,
GLENDALE, ARIZ., AND F. G. GILBERT CO., DIXIE, ARIZ., SAME
DATE. ARIZ. INSPECTION CERTIFICATES DATED APR. FOUR, LAST,
VERIFIED ABOVE.

OWNER ADVISED MC KAY DEPARTED MOBILE, APR. SEVEN, LAST,

①-Memphis (44-1987)
1-Birmingham (44-1470)
1-Mobile
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EN ROUTE TO JACKSON, AND THAT DRIVER'S DAILY LOG WOULD BE
IN POSSESSION OF AMERICAN CYANAMID. AIRMAIL COPIES TO MEMPHIS
AND BIRMINGHAM. P.

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TELETYPE

URGENT

TO : DIRECTOR
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FROM: BOSTON

MINUTEMEN, IS, MURKIN.

REMOBTEL FOUR EIGHT INSTANT.

FOLLOWING INFO FURNISHED ON CONFIDENTIAL BASIS BY
VINCENT DI PALMA.

MINUTEMEN HAD GENERAL PLAN TO FOMENT CIVIL STRIFE BY
KILLING NEGRO LEADERS, MARTIN LUTHER KING, RAP BROWN, AND
STOKELY CARMICHAEL AND THEREAFTER TO SEIZE POWER IN CONFUSION.
NO SPECIFIC TIME TABLE SET AND CARMICHAEL HAD LEAST PRIORITY
BECAUSE HE WAS ALREADY FOMENTING CIVIL STRIFE HIMSELF.

MINUTEMEN ALSO PLANNED TO KILL NEW YORK ATTORNEY GENERAL
LOUIS LEFKOWITZ AND TO KIDNAP AND KILL USA, KANSAS CITY,
MO., FOR PROSECUTION AGAINST MINUTEMEN AND ROBERT S.

DE PUGH, AND ATTU AGENTS JAMES MOORE AND FRANK BELLINI,
KANSAS CITY, MO., AND FBI INVESTIGATOR OF MINUTEMEN IN
KANSAS CITY DESCRIBED AS ELDERLY, SHORT AND WITH WHITE HAIR

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THEY PLANNED TO PLACE A BOMB AT THE DOOR OF FBI OFFICE, NEW HAVEN, CONN., AFTER WORKING HOURS, NOT TO INJURE PEOPLE BUT TO CAUSE CONFUSION.

FROM TIME TO TIME MINUTEMEN HAVE CONDUCTED SURVEILLANCES OF INDIVIDUALS IN THEIR OFFICES CONCERNING THESE PLANS.

MINUTEMEN MEMBERS IN CONNECTICUT IDENTIFIED AS DR. CONRAD, OPTOMETRIST, BRIDGEPORT, CONN., GEORGE BROWN, FIRE DEPARTMENT, WATERBURY, CONN., THOMAS HARE, BRIDGEPORT, CONN., JOSEPH FABIANO, TWENTYSEVEN AND A HALF WALL ST., WATERBURY, CONN. MEETINGS HELD ON FARM IN NAUGATUCK, CONN. DE PUGH HAS STANDING ORDERS TO BLOW UP COURTROOM OR COURT HOUSE RATHER THAN LET HIMSELF BE TRIED AND CONVICTED.

AIRMAIL COPIES SENT DENVER, BUTTE, LITTLE ROCK, SALT LAKE CITY, AND MEMPHIS.

END.

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Date: 4/5/68

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Via TELETYPE URGENT
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: NEW HAVEN (157-818)

44-1987-Sub E-3682

ASSASSINATION OF DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. RM.

"HARTFORD COURANT", DAILY NEWSPAPER, HARTFORD, CT.,
ISSUE OF APRIL FIVE INSTANT, PG. SIX, CARRIED ARTICLE
ENTITLED, "KING'S DEATH PLEASES LEADER OF MINUTEMEN."
ARTICLE POINTS OUT THAT WITHIN HOUR OF KING'S DEATH,
THOMAS HART CONTACTED "HARTFORD COURANT" AND SAID, "THIS
WILL BRING THINGS TO A HEAD." HART ALSO DESCRIBED KING
AS "ONE OF THOSE CIVIL RIGHTS RACKETEERS" AND ALSO STATED
KING "RICHLI EARNED IT." ARTICLE FURTHER STATES THAT HART
SAID AMERICA NEEDS A REVOLUTION AND THAT IT WOULD COME AS
A RACIAL REVOLUTION. HE WAS FURTHER QUOTED AS SAYING,
"THE TIME FOR ACTION IS NOW."

ACCORDING TO ARTICLE, HART AND OTHER MINUTEMEN ARE
ENCOURAGING WHITES TO ARM THEMSELVES AND THAT HART FINDS
RIOTS ENCOURAGING AND BELIEVES KING'S ASSASSINATION WILL
STIMULATE MORE OF THEM. HART IS SELF-ADMITTED LEADER OF
MINUTEMEN IN CONN. LHM WILL FOLLOW. KC KANSAS CITY A.M. P

- 1 KC (62-7797) (info) (AM)
 - 3 - NH (1 62-2167 Minutemen) (1 105-6328) (Hart)
- GFB:md (8)

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Approved: [Signature]
Special Agent in Charge

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A I R T E L

TO DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM SAC, NEW HAVEN (157-818) P
SUBJECT MURKIN - CR

Re: New Haven teletype to Bureau, 4/5/68, captioned "ASSASSINATION OF DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., RM."

Enclosed for information of Memphis is one Xerox copy of referenced New Haven teletype.

Referenced teletype sets out that New Haven would follow with appropriate letterhead memorandum.

In view of the fact that this information at this date does not appear to be pertinent concerning captioned case, no letterhead memorandum is being submitted.

- 3 - Bureau
- 2 - Memphis (44-1987) ^{CR} (ENC-1)
- 1 - Kansas City (62-7797) (info)
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TELETYPE

URGENT

TO: ATLANTA
FROM: SAVANNAH (44-1768)

MURKIN; CIVIL RIGHTS, OO MEMPHIS.

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RE NEW YORK TEL, APRIL EIGHT INSTANT.

RE ROBERT HAYNES:

FRED DYCHES, STATION MANAGER, DELTA AIRLINES, SAVANNAH, GA., ADVISED APRIL EIGHT INSTANT THAT DELTA FLIGHT SIX FOUR NINE WAS SCHEDULED TO ARRIVE IN SAVANNAH ONE THIRTYSEVEN PM, BUT DID NOT ARRIVE AT THE RAMP UNTIL TWO ZERO FOUR PM, APRIL FIVE LAST. HE SAID THIS FLIGHT IS FROM ATLANTA TO AUGUSTA AND SAVANNAH, AND RETURN, AND THAT THIRTYSEVEN PASSENGERS DEBARKED AT SAVANNAH THAT DATE. HE SAID HE HAS NO RECORD OF THE IDENTITIES OF THE PASSENGERS AND THAT THE MANIFEST FOR THIS FLIGHT WILL HAVE TO BE OBTAINED FROM DELTA, ATLANTA, GA.

DYCHES SAID THE STEWARDESSES HAVE PRETTY MUCH DISCONTINUED MAKING SEAT CHARTS.

ATLANTA, AT ATLANTA, GA., OBTAIN MANIFEST FOR FLIGHT SIX FOUR NINE FROM ATLANTA TO SAVANNAH, AND ASCERTAIN IF POSSIBLY A SEAT CHART WAS MADE OF THIS FLIGHT. AM COPY TO MEMPHIS, P. END.

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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL _____
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
 FROM: SAC, SPRINGFIELD (44-561) - P -
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Springfield PD this date advised ALLEN RICHARD THAYER in custody, and that he fits general description of individual who shot MARTIN LUTHER KING, Jr. THAYER interviewed this date by Bureau Agents and advised he could not account for his whereabouts on the pertinent dates as pertained to this case. He did advise, however, that he had been traveling across the United States for several weeks and that to the best of his knowledge he was in Denver, Colorado, on the day that he heard that KING had been assassinated. THAYER advised at no time was he in Alabama or Tennessee this year. THAYER and companion traveling in 1959 gold Chevrolet.

THAYER is described as 5'11", 155 pounds, dark brown hair, combed straight back; blue eyes; complexion, dark; tattoo, scull and crossbones left forearm; previous arrests, armed robbery, Ontario Canada, breaking and entering, Hartford, Connecticut; DOB [redacted] at Bristol, Connecticut.

THAYER advised he knows nothing concerning the murder of KING nor has he any animosities toward KING. Springfield PD filed charges against THAYER for defrauding an innkeeper.

Photos of THAYER being mailed directly to Bureau, Memphis, and Birmingham. Major case prints being mailed directly to Bureau.

- 3 - Bureau
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Date: 4/15/68

Transmit the following in _____
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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, SPRINGFIELD (44-561)
SUBJECT: MURKIN

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Re Springfield airtel to Bureau, dated 4/8/68, concerning ALLAN RICHARD THAYER.

Enclosed for Memphis and Birmingham are one copy each of 7 individual photographs of THAYER.

Enclosed for the Bureau find one set of master fingerprints of ALLAN RICHARD THAYER consisting of the following:

- 1 fingerprint card
- 3 cards of individual prints
- 2 rolled impressions of right hand
- 3 rolled impressions left hand
- 1 pressed impression right hand
- 1 pressed impression left hand

LEADS:

MEMPHIS AND BIRMINGHAM DIVISION

Will eliminate THAYER as suspect.

- 3 - Bureau (Enc. 11)
 - ② - Memphis (Enc. 7) *WSP*
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To: SAC's, Springfield (44-561)
Memphis (44-1987)

From: Director, FBI (44-38861)

MURKIN

Re Springfield airtel 4-15-68, submitting major case prints of Allan Richard Thayer.

The remaining unidentified latent prints in this case are not identical with the finger or palm prints of Thayer.

The prints of Thayer are being temporarily retained in the Latent Fingerprint Section of the Identification Division.

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"MINUTEMEN"
INTERNAL SECURITY - MISCELLANEOUS

A characterization of "Minutemen" appears as an appendix hereto.

On January 30, 1968, Special Investigator Karl E. Terlau, Alcohol and Tobacco Tax Unit (ATTU), U. S. Treasury Department, Denver, Colorado, furnished to the Denver Division of the Federal Bureau of Investigation a copy of a report written by Terlau, dated January 22, 1968, concerning an interview on January 17, 1968, with Vincent De Palma, who was interviewed at the ATTU office in Denver.

A copy of this report is attached.

Re: VINCENT DE PALMA

On October 10, 1967, Sheriff Charles Clark, Summit County Sheriff's Office, Breckenridge, Colorado, advised that Vincent De Palma had appeared at his office several days previously and discussed his role in the Minutemen organization. During this interview with Sheriff Clark, De Palma admitted being a member of the Minutemen organization from Connecticut and admitted being involved in a Minutemen training session held in Colorado during the last two weeks of August, 1967. He also admitted being involved in the storage of arms, ammunition and other equipment in and near a cabin rented by Robert De Pugh, Minutemen leader, in Summit County, Colorado, during the late summer of 1967.

On August 9, 1967, DN T-1, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that Vincent De Palma entered the U. S. Army at New Haven, Connecticut, on June 10, 1959. He was discharged at Fort Dix, New Jersey, under honorable conditions, August 18, 1959. He was discharged "due to a nervous condition."

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