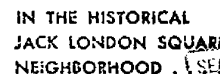




Dear Twigg,
How are things today? Say I know
you are mad. Honey try to understand
I just couldn't wait. I had to
make it. I had gotten my fill of
Portland. I got there Monday after-
noon. I call David. I didn't really
want anything with him. I just
wanted him to know I was in (at
least). The next day he was down at
the bar I worked at. I wasn't there
I had ridden over on the other
side of the Bay with some friends
of mine. I called him last night
and about 2 hours after I finish-
ed talking to him Fast Johnny
called up to the room and told
me he had a friend of his down
stairs. Said he hadn't told him
I was up here yet. Asked if it was

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~~11-4-198~~

soon as you get ~~acknowledged~~ (3)
I saw Monica she's so sloppy
looking.

Sell from January for Hi and
mad at her.

I have to go Twigs. I have
get my prescription filled by
to late. I have to be ready for
Tonight: — — — — — and the

Tonight:
I see those fools and see
Martin L King. That is a shame
you know. It really is. That's the
worse thing in the world they
could have done. Negro Civil Rights
workers don't like that so well. The
Black Panthers are already acting
crazy down here. Killing up the
policemen and things. I know

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to see you. I'm sorry
② halfway expected him to come up
but they didn't. Anyway I'm going
out tonight (Friday) to the club. I
know he will be. I'm the styling
to Henry. I haven't made up my
mind what to ~~take~~ wear anyway.
I'll take some pictures and send
you some. I'm going to make
sure Dave is there cause I'm
going to call Just Johnny and
tell him to bring him. I'll write
him and let you know how I
come out.

There's not much going on
all on the other side of the Bay
a few times to get prescriptions for
oil.

I bought a polaroid camera
I have been really taking pictures.

I hope you can read this ~~copy~~
it's awful to write. I speak
to Alvin. How did she come out on
her case?

Be sure be glad when they
call you. Call me as

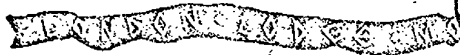
while was going to fill that
Sh! David is in school. He goes
out next month.

④
Love y'all,
David Karl

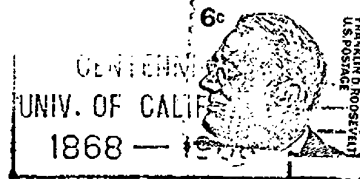
Nathy Linton #152



IN THE HISTORICAL
JACK LONDON SQUARE
NEIGHBORHOOD



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OAKLAND, CALIF. 94607



Mrs. Twigg Tanner
209 SW. Oak City St.
Portland, Oregon

4/10/68

AIRTEL

AIR MAIL

TO: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO

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

SUBJECT: MURKIN

On instant date, GERALDINE MARIE TANNER, a prostitute presently incarcerated at the Portland Jail, Portland, Oregon, upon request was interviewed by SA WILLIAM A. TENWICK, Portland Division. She made available a copy of a letter (one xerox copy enclosed for San Francisco and Memphis) which she received from PEARL R. MILLER aka KATHY LAWTON, Room 52, London Lodge Motel, Broadway at 7th Street, Oakland, California. In the letter the following quotation is contained: "I knew whites was going to kill that man," referring to KING.

TANNER states that she is well acquainted with MILLER and she insists that MILLER knows something about the individual who killed KING. She is unable to give any basis for this supposition other than she knows MILLER so well and this is so "unlike her" that she is confident MILLER has knowledge of the murder.

MILLER apparently left Phoenix, Arizona, 3/26/68 for Oakland, California. Under Portland PD File #44-261, she has a prior arrest for prostitution.

2-San Francisco (Enc. 1)

①-Memphis (Enc. 1) (info) (44-1987) *WAS*

2-Portland

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SAN FRANCISCO

AT OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA. Will interview MILLER at above address and determine basis for statement in her letter which was mailed 4/8/68, postmarked Oakland, California.

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Date: 4/12/68

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL - REGISTERED
(Priority)

TO: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)
 FROM: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (173-65)
 SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Portland airtel to San Francisco, dated 4/10/68.

On April 12, 1968, Miss PEARLIE REE MILLER, aka PEARL MILLER, HELEN BROWN, JANICE MARIE LANE, KATHY LAWTON, SHIRLEY ANN WHITE, a Negro prostitute, born [redacted], at Idabel, Oklahoma, was located and interviewed by SAs FRANK UNDERWOOD III and DOUGLAS CORRIGAN at the London Lodge Motel, Room 71, Broadway and Seventh Streets, Oakland, California, where she has resided for two weeks, registered as KATHY LAWTON.

Miss MILLER stated that the basis for the quotation contained in her letter of April 8, 1968, to GERALDINE MARIE TANNER, Portland, Oregon, "I knew whites was going to kill that man," referring to MARTIN LUTHER KING, was the fact that MEDGER EVERS had been previously killed by a white person and, therefore, she felt that eventually KING also would be killed by whites. She stated that she feels that eventually STOKELY CARMICHAEL, H. RAP BROWN, and other leaders involved in the black civil rights struggle will also be killed by whites.

Miss MILLER emphatically denied having any knowledge as to the perpetrator of the KING murder. She stated that the basis of the aforementioned quotation was completely misinterpreted by TANNER.

Miss MILLER disclaimed membership in any organization or associations with members of any organization.

- 2 - Memphis (RM)
 1 - Portland (157-380)(INFO)(AM)(RM)
 2 - San Francisco
 (1 - 173-65)
 (1 - 166-559)

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TELETYPE

URGENT

TO DIRECTOR

FROM CINCINNATI (157-1893)

MURKIN:

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RECITEL TO BUREAU, CLEVELAND AND MEMPHIS, SIX FIFTYSEVEN P.M.

APRIL NINE LAST, FURNISHING INFO ON ROBERT FRANKLIN LOHMIE, FBI

NUMBER [REDACTED] AND JOHN D. LOHMIE, *Same as above*

FBI NUMBER [REDACTED]

BUREAU COMPARE ABOVE FINGERPRINTS WITH LATENTS THIS CASE.

AIRMAIL COPIES TO CLEVELAND AND MEMPHIS

END

FTBE/RLH

1--CLEVELAND

①--MEMPHIS

44-1987-Sub E-193
llw
gjk

Kearney *[Signature]*

4/10/68

AIRTEL

TO: SAC, Cincinnati (157-1893)

FROM: SAC, Cleveland (44-565)

MURKIN

Re Cleveland telephone call to Columbus, Ohio, RA,
4/10/68.

For information of Cincinnati and Memphis, ALBERT JAMES WALTON, FBI No. 3 300 089, who was formerly a PCI of the Cleveland Div., has furnished information of value on numerous occasions in various Cleveland cases, as well as having furnished some worthless hearsay information.

On 4/10/68, Mrs. MILNER WALTON, wife of former PCI, telephonically contacted SA MICHAEL J. MAHANEY, Jr., and advised as follows:

Mrs. WALTON visited her husband on Sun., 4/7/68, in the Ohio State Penitentiary (OSP), Columbus, Ohio, where he is presently incarcerated on local charges of Forgery and Carrying Concealed Weapon, Inmate No. 123910. WALTON told his wife that a couple of years ago while he was down South (Ala.), a group of individuals, not further identified, offered him, WALTON, a lot of money to kill MARTIN LUTHER KING, Jr. At this time WALTON was also going to join an organization, name not recalled.

3 - Cincinnati
 (1 - 26-40409)
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3 - Cleveland
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LEADS

CINCINNATI

At Columbus, Ohio

Will contact OSF officials and make arrangements to interview WALTON, Inmate No. 123910, and secure full details re information furnished by him to his wife, as forth above, and furnish Memphis and Cleveland with results of interview.

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FBI CINCINTI

421PM URGENT /12/68 CLM

TO BIRMINGHAM AND MEMPHIS
FROM CINCINNATI (157-1893) (P) 3P

MURKIN. OO: MEMPHIS

REMYTEL TO BIRMINGHAM AT SIX THIRTY-NINE P. M. AND MEMPHIS
SEVEN ZERO THREE P. M., APRIL TEN LAST.

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ALBERT JAMES WALTON, CHILlicothe CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTION,
CHILlicothe, OHIO, RECONTACTED APRIL TWELVE, INSTANT, AND
FURNISHED FOLLOWING ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

LOWMEYER (PH), REFERRED TO IN REFERENCED TEL, USED TO
DRIVE GMC DIESEL TWIN SCREW TRACTOR TRUCK, AND WAS FROM
CLEVELAND, OHIO. LOWMEYER USED TO WORK FOR EDDIE KIRNCHILD WHO
HAS TRUCKING FIRM ON SIXTY-FIFTH OR STORER AVENUES, CLEVELAND,
OHIO. KIRNCHILD WILL BE HESITANT ABOUT FURNISHING LOWMEYER'S
WHEREABOUTS IF HE BELIEVES LOWMEYER IS WANTED. LOWMEYER IS
BELIEVED BY WALTON TO HAVE BEEN ENGAGED IN VARIOUS ILLEGAL
ACTIVITIES AS WELL AS HIGHJACKING. LOWMEYER DESCRIBED AS W/M,
AGE THIRTY-EIGHT TO FORTY, SIX FEET, TWO HUNDRED TWENTY LBS.,
LOUD TALKING, BLOND CURLY HAIR, EXTREMELY TALKATIVE. LOWMEYER
END PAGE ONE

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FREQUENTLY STOPPED AT MAC'S TRUCK STOP, FORT PAYNE, ALABAMA, AND ACQUAINTED WITH GEORGE (LNU) AND MAC ELKINS.

WALTON RECALLED THAT RESTAURANT ADJACENT TO MAC'S TRUCK STOP WHICH IS CALLED MAC'S BUT IS NOT OWNED BY ELKINS. MAN AND WIFE, NAMES AND DESCRIPTION UNRECALLED, OPERATING THAT RESTAURANT ARE STAUNCH MEMBERS OF KKK. DEWEY (LNU), WHOSE SISTER IS WIFE OF OWNER OF THAT RESTAURANT, IS CHARACTERISED BY WALTON AS MOST VICIOUS INDIVIDUAL IN THAT AREA. WALTON INDICATES DEWEY (LNU) CAPABLE OF MURDER. WALTON DESCRIBED HIM W/M, AGE EARLY THIRTIES, TWO HUNDRED TWENTY LBS., SIX FEET, BLACK HAIR COMBED STRAIGHT BACK.

WALTON INDICATES THAT A SECOND INDIVIDUAL, ON TRIAL WITH ELKINS AT HUNTSVILLE, ALABAMA, FOR ITSMV VIOLATION AND WHO SUPPOSEDLY RECEIVED SENTENCE OF ONE TO TWO YEARS PROBATION, HAS TRUCKING FIRM INVOLVING REFRIGERATED TRUCKS. TRUCK TERMINAL BELIEVED TO BE IN MOUNTAINS NOT FAR FROM FORT PAYNE. THIS INDIVIDUAL, NAME AND DESCRIPTION UNRECALLED, HAULS CHICKENS AND OTHER MERCHANDISE BETWEEN CALIFORNIA AND ALABAMA, AND HIRES DRIVERS FROM CALIFORNIA.

SETTING OUT LEAD TO CLEVELAND FOR ADDITIONAL IDENTIFICATION ON LOWMEYER BEING LEFT TO DISCRETION OF OFFICE OF ORIGIN.

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BIRMINGHAM DIVISION WILL RECEIVE INDICES IN ATTEMPT TO IDENTIFY
INDIVIDUAL ON TRIAL WITH ELKINS FOR ITSMV VIOLATION.

AT FORT PAYNE, WILL CONDUCT APPROPRIATE INVESTIGATION TO
IDENTIFY AND DETERMINE WHEREABOUTS OF DEWEY (LNU).

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

END

MCP

FBI MEMPHIS

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4/10/68

AIRTEL

AIR MAIL

TO: SAC, BIRMINGHAM
FROM: SAC, MOBILE (157-2627)(P)
RE: MURKIN

Re BH telephone call to Mobile Div., 4/8/68, requesting a check on Ala. license 1968, 3-34652.

On 4/8/68, Mrs. CONNIE REDDOCH, Motor Vehicle Bureau, Montgomery, Ala., advised that 1968 Ala. license 3-34652 is registered to RAY H. CLINE, 3316 Loch Haven, Montgomery, Ala., for a 1959 Ford four-door. This vehicle has identification number B9PT106857 and was registered on 11/2/67, by RAY H. CLINE.

On 4/8/68, Mrs. GERTRUDE KING, Driver's License Bureau, Montgomery, Ala., advised that she could find no record for a driver's license being issued to RAY H. CLINE. She stated, however, that their files reflect a RAY H. CLINE, 3316 Loch Haven, Montgomery, was arrested in Montgomery on 5/15/66, for speeding. He was fined \$15. According to their records he was born on [redacted] and had a driver's license number [redacted] issued to a TOMMIE ALLEN, St. Stephens, Ala., born [redacted] in his possession. Mrs. KING advised that this driver's license issued to TOMMIE ALLEN was revoked on 5/9/63, and this number has not been issued since 1953. She stated that TOMMIE ALLEN, born [redacted] has a current Ala. license [redacted], issued on 12/9/53. According to the driver's license he is described as a W/M, 160 pounds, 5' 11", blue eyes, gray hair. In 1953 ALLEN was charged with driving while intoxicated but the charge was reduced to reckless driving and this occurred in Clarke County. He was fined \$123. At that time he was driving a pick-up truck. In 1953 he was employed by Clarke Co. Motors, Jackson, Ala.

The 1968 City Directory contains a listing for RAY H. CLINE, wife LUCILLE E., residing at 3316 Loch Haven Rd., Montgomery. The directory indicated CLINE to be in the USA.

②-Birmingham, ②-Memphis (44-1987)
②-Mobile
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Sr. M/Sgt. JOHN MALAHY, Gunter AFB, Montgomery, Ala., advised that RAY H. CLINE was transferred from this facility on 11/20/67, to their Technical School Sqn. 3380, Keesler Field, Miss. According to their records he was transferred from Keesler Field to APO Seattle, Washington, about three weeks ago.

Mrs. RAY H. CLINE, 3316 Loch Haven, Montgomery, Alabama, advised on 4/8/68, that she and her husband formerly owned a 1959 blue Ford four-door, which had Ala. license for the year 1968 of 3-34652. She stated they sold this vehicle to RAY KINCAID, who was visiting his sister, LUCILLE SPIVEY, 1036 Zephyr Hills Drive, Montgomery. She said that to the best of her recollection KINCAID came to Montgomery about the first of March, 1968, from Cleveland, Ohio, and departed Montgomery on Saturday night, 4/6/68, for his home in Cleveland, Ohio. He was employed by Kershaw Mfg. Co., Montgomery, Ala., while visiting with his sister.

On 4/9/68, Mrs. LINDA BLACKWELL, Secretary, Personnel Dept., Kershaw Mfg. Co., 2205 W. Fairview Ave., Montgomery, Ala., advised that according to their records LOWELL RAY KINCAID, 1036 Zephyr Hills, Montgomery, Ala., born [redacted], was employed by the firm on 3/13/68, and according to their records is still so employed. She stated, however, that he did not report for work on Monday, 4/8/68 or Tuesday 4/9/68. According to their records he has Social Security No. [redacted]. He indicated he is married and has no children. He was employed as a welder in the welding shop. She said that according to their records KINCAID was employed by the company on 3/29/68, and also worked on 4/3,4,5/68 from 7:30 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.

Mobile indices negative concerning KINCAID and CLINE. Inasmuch as employment records eliminate LOWELL RAY KINCAID no further inquiry being made concerning him.

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Date: 4/10/68

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(Priority)

TO: NEW ORLEANS

FROM: JACKSON (157-9586)

MURKIN

REMYCALL THIS DATE RE SUSPECT EUGENE SMITHMANSFIELD, AKA SUNSET.

MANSFIELD, A WHITE MALE, FBI NUMBER [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] [REDACTED] WEIGHT ONE SEVENTY,
BROWN HAIR, BROWN EYES, IS A NATIVE OF TUSCALOOSA, ALA.,
AND ALLEGEDLY MEMBER OF UNITED KLANS OF AMERICA.BIRMINGHAM ADVISED SUSPECT DISCHARGED FROM RELIANCE STEEL
COMPANY, COTTONDALE, ALA., MARCH TWELVE LAST. HE REQUESTED
RELIANCE TO FORWARD HIS CHECK TO HIM IN CARE OF L. E.
MATTHEWS, ROUTE THREE, BOX THREE EIGHT ONE M, FLORENCE,
MISS. MATTHEWS ADVISED JN THREE SIX FOUR - R (PROB)
THAT MANSFIELD WAS A FUGITIVE FOR SHOOTING A NEGRO AND
WAS BEING HID OUT BY HIM AT HIS FISH CAMP AT BYRAM,

MISS. RI LAST SAW MANSFIELD MORNING OF MARCH TWENTY

- 1 - Birmingham (AM)
- 1 - Memphis (AM)
- 1 - Jackson

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NINE LAST, BUT REPORTS THAT L. E. MATTHEWS RECEIVED LONG DISTANCE CALL FROM SUSPECT MORNING OF APRIL TENTH INSTANT FROM BARAS, LA., AND THAT THEY ARGUED OVER THE PRICE OF A "HIT", MANSFIELD HOLDING OUT FOR THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS. MATTHEWS AGREED TO ONLY PAY TWO HUNDRED, LOCATION OF "HIT" NOT LEARNED BY INFORMANT. MATTHEWS TOLD INFORMANT THAT MANSFIELD HAD DONE ONE JOB FOR HIM AND WAS TO DO ANOTHER.

LAUDE E. MATTHEWS, JR. IS AN ELECTRICAL CONTRACTOR AT FLORENCE, SUBURB JACKSON, MISS., AND IS HEIR APPARENT TO LEADERSHIP OF WHITE KNIGHTS OF KKK, WHEN SAM BOWERS INCARCERATED. MATTHEWS, PRESENTLY PROVINCE GIANT OF WKKKKOM, IS BEING ARRESTED THIS DATE BY HINDS COUNTY AUTHORITIES FOR ACCESSORY IN THE BOMBING OF BLACKWELL REALTY COMPANY AT JACKSON IN NINETEEN SIXTY SEVEN.

NEW ORLEANS AT BARAS, LA. LOCATE MANSFIELD AND INTERVIEW. ACCOUNT FOR WHEREABOUTS OF MANSFIELD MARCH TWENTY NINE - THIRTY, LAST, DATE GUNS PURCHASED

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IN BIRMINGHAM, AND APRIL FOUR, LAST. OBTAIN CURRENT
PHOTOGRAPH FOR DISPLAY TO WITNESSES AND OBTAIN ANY
INFO SUSPECT WILL FURNISH REGARDING L. E. MATTHEWS.

AIRMAIL TO BIRMINGHAM AND MEMPHIS. END.

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Special Agent in Charge

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Date:

4/15/68

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Via **AIRTEL****AIRMAIL**

(Priority)

TO: SAC, MEMPHIS
FROM: SAC, NEW ORLEANS (157-10673)

MURKINRe Suspect **EUGENE SMITH MANSFIELD.**

One photo each of **EUGENE SMITH MANSFIELD** is being enclosed for Birmingham, Memphis and Jackson.

Investigation previously conducted by the New Orleans Office to locate and interview **MANSFIELD** determined that he worked in Grand Isle, La., in late 1967 as a welder with Grand Isle Shipyards and Buras Construction Company.

ANDREW ADAMS, Grand Isle, La., associated with **PERCY CROSBY**, Grand Isle, advised on 3/25/68, that **MANSFIELD** left the area in January, 1968, after being gone for several days at a time on several prior occasions. He is living with **CROSBY**'s 19 or 20 year old daughter, **MERLYN CROSBY**, and reportedly has left a wife and four children somewhere, place unknown to **ADAMS**.

ADAMS said he co-signed note when **MANSFIELD** bought a 1968 blue Ford pickup truck at Ford dealer, Lockport, La, and financed same through Commercial Securities, Co., Lockport.

MANSFIELD, according to **ADAMS**, is an alcoholic and was previously in Grand Isle about a year or more ago when arrested by Jefferson Parish SO for stabbing at Tony Marullo's Bar.

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 2 - Jackson (157-9586) (Enc. 1)
 2 - New Orleans

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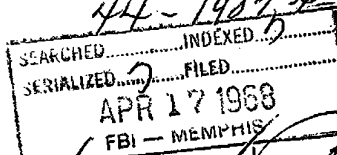
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Records of Jefferson Parish SO (JPSO), #23897, on EUGENE SMITH MANSFIELD, FBI [REDACTED], reflect he was arrested for aggravated battery on 11/15/66 after stabbing DANNY QUINN MARTIN with a pocket knife.

Photos of MANSFIELD with description on back thereof were obtained.

On 4/11/68, observation of the usual logging places from Port Sulphur, La., to Triumph, La., were observed and no vehicle similar to that in possession of MANSFIELD was observed.

Photo of subject was shown to the following and MANSFIELD had not been observed in the Buras area:

Deputy ERNEST AMOS

Deputy GEORGE MARTINEZ

Chief Deputy HARRY L. PACKARD

MANSFIELD as of 4/11/68, had not been processed by the Plaquemines Parish Itinerant Labor Bureau.

RAY GIBBONS, Gibbons Certified Welders, Triumph, La., advised MANSFIELD had not contacted him for employment or for any other reason. He said welders are in demand.

M. I. MIDDLETON, Packard, Inc., has no record of MANSFIELD.

NO 157-10673

Jackson will maintain liaison with JN 364-R (PROB) in effort to locate current whereabouts of MANSFIELD.

New Orleans will maintain liaison with appropriate local authorities for any information to indicate presence of MANSFIELD in Buras, Louisiana area.

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Date: 4/10/68

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(Priority)

TO: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)
FROM: ~~SAC~~ DALLAS (44-2649) (P)
SUBJECT: MURKIN

OO - MEMPHIS

Re Memphis teletype to Dallas dated 4/9/68 regarding
suspect WESLEY MITCHELL aka W. D. Mitchell.

The following investigation was conducted by SA
ROBERT P. BUTLER:

AT DENTON, TEXAS

On 4/9/68, W. L. MURRELL, Industrial Relations
Manager, Moore Business Forms, Inc., 601 E. Hickory, advised
that D. WESLEY MITCHELL is a current employee and has been
employed as a senior design artist since August, 1958. MURRELL
advised that MITCHELL was believed employed on 3/29 and 30/68,
and 4/4/68, and this could be better established on the
following date since MURRELL does not punch a time card.

He described MITCHELL as follows:

Race	White
Sex	Male
Age	32
Height	6'1"
Weight	156
Hair	Black
Complexion	Medium

He stated MITCHELL has effeminate mannerisms and
is a withdrawn, anti-social type person.

2 - Memphis
2 - Dallas
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On 4/10/68, MURRELL was recontacted and he advised that he had established through dated work orders and mailing slips and personal contact with MITCHELL's business associates that MITCHELL was on the job 3/29/68 and 4/4/68. MURRELL advised that 3/30/68 was not a work day but he had established through an associate of MITCHELL that MITCHELL played golf on that date in Denton, Texas.

4/10/68

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TELETYPE

URGENT

TO: BUTTE
FROM: PORTLAND (157-380)(P)

MURKIN.

REURTEL APRIL NINE LAST.

TO ASSIST PORTLAND IN INVESTIGATION AT PORTLAND, OREGON, AIRPORT, IMMEDIATELY RECONTACT JAMES BIGELOW AND ASCERTAIN HIM FROM ADDITIONAL DATA INCLUDING THE FOLLOWING: WAS THE PERSON HE SAW SITTING OR WALKING AT AIRPORT; DID HE OBSERVE INDIVIDUAL CONTACTING OR STANDING NEAR ANY AIRLINE COUNTERS AT AIRPORT. IF SO, WHAT ONE; WAS THE INDIVIDUAL CARRYING LUGGAGE AND IF SO WHAT TYPE INASMUCH AS IT MAY BE NECESSARY TO CHECK FLIGHTS FROM PORTLAND TO OTHER AREAS; WAS HE ACCOMPANIED BY ANYONE; AT THE TIME THE INDIVIDUAL LEFT SITTING ROOM WHICH DIRECTION DID HE HEAD AND DID IT APPEAR THAT HE WAS BOARDING AN AIRCRAFT; WAS THERE ANYTHING UNUSUAL ABOUT HIS ACTIONS WHILE HE WAS BEING OBSERVED; DID HE SEE THE SUSPECT PRIOR TO HAVING OBSERVED THE ARTIST'S CONCEPTION IN NEWSPAPER. FURNISH ADDITIONAL DETAILS RE TYPE OF CLOTHING, MATERIAL, PATTERN, JEWELRY, HE WAS WEARING

1 - Memphis (44-1987)(AM)
1 - Portland

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INCLUDING WHETHER HE HAD ON A HAT. REINTERVIEW FOR ADDITIONAL DETAILS RE DESCRIPTIVE DATA, I.E. WAS HE WEARING GLASSES, SMOKING CIGARETTES OR PIPE, PROBABLE NATIONALITY, BUILD, POSTURE, CHEEKS, WALK, ETC.

IN FACT, FULLY INTERVIEW BIGELOW SO THAT PORTLAND CAN LOGICALLY COVER INVESTIGATION AT AIRPORT.

AIRMAIL COPY MEMPHIS.

April 11, 1968

PLAINTEXT

TELETYPE

U R G E N T

TO : OKLAHOMA CITY
FROM: LITTLE ROCK (157-1215)
MURKIN, CR. OO MEMPHIS.

CLYDE CONLEY, ROLAND, OKLAHOMA, TELEPHONICALLY CONTACTED
FORT SMITH RA TODAY AND ADVISED HE BELIEVES HE MAY HAVE
PERTINENT INFORMATION ON THE CAPTIONED MATTER. HE REQUESTED
THAT HE BE CONTACTED TODAY OR TOMORROW IN PERSON AS HE DOES
NOT DESIRE TO TALK ON TELEPHONE.

MEMPHIS ADVISED BY AIR MAIL.

OKLAHOMA CITY AT ROLAND, INTERVIEW CLYDE CONLEY.

END

cc - 1 - MEMPHIS

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TELETYPE

URGENT

TO LITTLE ROCK
FROM OKLAHOMA CITY 44-686

MURKIN, CR, OO - MEMPHIS.

RE LITTLE ROCK TEL TO OKLA. CITY APRIL ELEVEN LAST.

ON THIS DATE CLYDE G. CONLEY, ROLAND, OKLA. INTERVIEWED;
STATED DURING LATTER PART OF OCTOBER, SIXTYSIX, WHILE HE WAS
PATIENT AT SPARKS MEMORIAL HOSPITAL, FR. SMITH, ARK., IN ROOM
SIX FIVE THREE, BED FOUR, AN INDIVIDUAL IDENTIFIED ONLY AS
WOODY, THIS POSSIBLY LAST NAME, WHITE MALE, TWENTYSEVEN TO
THIRTY, FIVE EIGHT TO NINE, ONE FIFTY TO FIFTYFIVE LBS., BROWN
HAIR AND EYES, WHO WAS PATIENT IN ABOVE WARD RECEIVING TREATMENT
FOR SMASHED RIGHT HAND, MADE STATEMENT HE WAS PLANNING TO KILL
DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

CONLEY ADVISED WOODY MADE STATEMENT THAT HIS BROTHER HAD
BEEN KILLED IN WATTS AREA RIOT, LOS ANGELES, CALIF. AND BLAMED
DR. KING. WOODY STATED HE HAD ALREADY PURCHASED THREE ZERO
POINT ZERO SIX RIFLE WITH SCOPE AND WOULD SHOOT DR. KING.

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CONLEY FURTHER SAID APPROXIMATELY NINE MONTHS AGO HE AGAIN MET WOODY AT HOLT-CROCK CLINIC, ONE FIVE ZERO ZERO DODSON, FT. SMITH, ARK, WHERE WOODY SEEING HIS PHYSICIAN, DR. HATHCOCK OF THE CLINIC. AT THIS MEETING CONLEY SAID WOODY AGAIN REAFFIRMED HIS INTENTION TO KILL DR. KING AND RELATED HE HAD GONE TO CHICAGO IN AN EARLIER ATTEMPT TO SHOOT KING, AND TO AN UNKNOWN STATE IN SOUTHERN UNITED STATES WHERE KING WAS LEADING CIVIL RIGHTS ACTIVITIES, IN AN ATTEMPT TO KILL KING, BUT HAD BEEN UNSUCCESSFUL IN EACH INSTANCE.

CONLEY ADVISED HE SAW A COMPOSITE PICTURE OF THE SUSPECT BEING SOUGHT IN KING KILLING ON TELEVISION AND IT RESEMBLED WOODY TO SOME DEGREE. HE INDICATED HE HAS NO SEEN OR HAD CONTACT WITH WOODY SINCE THE MEETING AT DOCTOR'S OFFICE NINE MONTHS AGO.

LITTLE ROCK AT FORTH SMITH. CONDUCT APPROPRIATE INVESTIGATION AT SPARKS MEMORIAL HOSPITAL AND HOLT-CROCK CLINIC THROUGH DR. HATHCOCK TO IDENTIFY AND LOCATE POSSIBLE SUSPECT AND INTERVIEW RE HIS LOCATION AND ACTIVITIES AT TIME OF KING'S MURDER. AM CC MEMPHIS.

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AIRTEL

To: SAC, Little Rock

From: Director, FBI (44-38861)

MURKIN

RE: WOODY (LNU)

Sub E-199A
Reference is made to Oklahoma City teletype to Bureau and Little Rock 4/12/68, setting forth information obtained from Glyde G. Conley, Roland, Oklahoma, indicating that Woody⁰(LNU) had made statement he was planning to kill the victim. Bureau files do not disclose investigation conducted by Little Rock.

By return airtel submit results or advise Bureau identity of communication wherein investigation was reported.

① - Memphis (info.)

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TO: SAC, MEMPHIS

FROM: SAC, ST. LOUIS (42-775) P

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ReDE tel to SL, 4/8/68.

The following investigation was conducted by SA
WILLIAM R. BURTON at Kennett, Mo., on 4/9/68:

The 4/4/68 edition of the Daily Dunklin Democrat, the only daily newspaper in Kennett, Mo., disclosed that funeral services for MAYFORD CLINTON BENFIELD were to be held on Friday, 4/5/68, at 2:30 p.m. This article advised that MAYFORD CLINTON BENFIELD was the son of WILLARD BENFIELD and GLADYS BENFIELD. Relatives were listed as the mother, residing in Kennett; the father in Benton Harbor, Mich.; a brother, WILLARD BENFIELD, JR., of Benton Harbor, Mich.; a brother, CHARLES R. BENFIELD, Phoenix, Ariz., and brother, DONALD L. BENFIELD of Kennett, Mo. The pallbearers for this funeral were JOE CHESIRE, BILL BRADSHAW, HERSHEL WAYNE and three other individuals, all of Kennett.

JOE CHESIRE, 1509 Wimberly, employed Kennett Outboard Motor Service, on First Street, and BILL BRADSHAW, 804 Court, owner of Kennett Outboard Service, advised that WILLARD BENFIELD, SR., and WILLARD BENFIELD, JR., arrived in Kennett as they recall on Tuesday or Wednesday, 4/2 or 3/68. At any rate, BRADSHAW was positive that he had seen WILLARD BENFIELD, SR., and JR., at the funeral home in Kennett on Thursday evening, 4/4/68, also on Friday, 4/5/68. He believed that they left to return to Benton Harbor on Saturday, 4/6/68.

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BRADSHAW and CHESIRE advised that they were acquainted with MAYFORD CLINTON BENFIELD because he had formerly worked at Kennett Outboard Motor Service and through him at met his brother, WILLARD BENFIELD, JR., and father, WILLARD BENFIELD, SR.

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TO: SAC, MEMPHIS

FROM: SAC, ST. LOUIS (44-775) P

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Re LR tel to SL 4/8/68.

Efforts to contact Reverend BROWER on 4/8/68 disclosed that he was out of town and would return late on that evening.

On the morning of 4/9/68 SA WILLIAM R. BURTON interviewed Reverend FLOYD BROWER, 1709 Big Bend, Poplar Bluff, Mo., concerning the statements he made from the Senath, Mo., Methodist Church pulpit that he was sorry to hear of KING's death, but would be even "sorrier" when the announcement was made identifying the person who did it. The Reverend BROWER advised that the basis for this statement was an article in either the St. Louis Globe Democrat or one of the local Southeast Missouri newspapers, which stated that the search for MARTIN LUTHER KING's assassin had spread to the Bootheel area of Missouri and that he was possibly from Pemiscot County. He also had heard several "rumors" that the assassin was from Pemiscot County. He advised he had no other basis whatsoever for making the statement, had never heard anyone mention any names of a possible assassin and was now sorry that he had made such a statement from the pulpit.

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TO: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)
FROM: SAC, SAN JUAN (157-61) RUC
SUBJECT: MURKIN
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Re Memphis airtel to Knoxville, 4/7/68.

A canvass of all informants of the San Juan Division failed to develop any positive information regarding captioned matter.

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TELETYPE

URGENT

TO: BIRMINGHAM /44-1740/

FROM: LOUISVILLE /44-947/

MURKIN

THIS AM, MISS WAYNE DE HONEY, TWENTYONE ZERO THREE HIGH RIDGE ROAD, LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY, TELEPHONICALLY ADVISED THAT ARTIST'S SKETCH APPEARING IN LOCAL NEWSPAPERS RESEMBLED IRA EVANS, WIFE ELIZABETH, WHO IN MID NINETEEN FIFTIES, RESIDED IN WESTERN SECTION OF BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA, WAS AN AVOWED MEMBER OF THE KKK AND HAD BEEN ARRESTED BY BIRMINGHAM PD IN CONNECTION WITH A SHOOTING AT A KLAN MEETING AT CENTRAL PARK THEATER ON BESSEMER ROAD, BIRMINGHAM. EVANS AT THAT TIME WAS AGE TWENTY AND HAD A SMALL CHILD. AT THAT TIME HE WAS "HEFTY" IN BUILD.

BIRMINGHAM HANDLE. DETERMINE IF IDENTICAL WITH UNSUB.

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URGENT

TO: DIRECTOR AND SAC, CHARLOTTE

FROM: SAC, WFO (44-703)

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JAMES G. L. EDWARD, SEVEN ONE ONE FIVE LEEVILLE
BOULEVARD, SPRINGFIELD, VIRGINIA, TELEPHONICALLY ADVISED WFO
NIGHT OF APRIL TEN, LAST, THAT ABOUT EIGHT A.M., APRIL TEN,
LAST, HE OBSERVED INDIVIDUAL RESEMBLING ARTIST SKETCH OF
UNKNOWN SUBJECT IN A GREEN VOLKSWAGEN, NORTH CAROLINA LICENSE
BY SEVEN ZERO FOUR FOUR AT GALLONS ROAD AND ROUTE FIFTY, FAIRFAX,
VIRGINIA. CAR PROCEEDED WEST ON ROUTE FIFTY.

CHARLOTTE OBTAIN IDENTITY OF REGISTERED OWNER ABOVE
CAR AND SET FORTH LEADS TO PROCESS DRIVER.

AIRMAIL COPIES TO RICHMOND AND MEMPHIS FOR INFORMATION.

A AND D. P.

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- 2 - Teletype Unit
- ① - Memphis (Info) (AM)
- 1 - Richmond (Info) (AM)
- 2 - WFO

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PLAINTEXT

TELETYPE

URGENT

TO: DIRECTOR AND RICHMOND (44-651)
FROM: CHARLOTTE (44-1635) (P)

MURKIN

RE WFO TELETYPE TODAY.

FOR INFORMATION OF RICHMOND, WFO ADVISED JAMES G. L. HOWARD, SEVEN ONE ONE FIVE LEESVILLE BOULEVARD, SPRINGFIELD, VA., TELEPHONICALLY ADVISED WFO NIGHT OF APRIL TEN LAST ABOUT EIGHT AM APRIL TEN HE OBSERVED INDIVIDUAL RESEMBLING ARTIST'S SKETCH OF UNKNOWN SUBJECT IN GREEN VOLKSWAGEN BEARING NC LICENSE BY SEVEN ZERO FOUR FOUR AT GALLOWS ROAD AT ROUTE FIFTY, FAIRFAX, VA. CHARLOTTE WAS INSTRUCTED TO IDENTIFY OWNER AND TO SET FORTH LEADS TO PROCESS DRIVER.

RECORDS OF NCDMV, RALEIGH, NC, REVEALED NC LICENSE BY SEVEN ZERO FOUR FOUR REGISTERED TO JOHN LOUIS CHAMPAGNE, ONE ZERO ZERO TWO SEVEN MOSLY WOODS, DRIVE, FAIRFAX, VA. FOR A SIXTYSIX VOLKSWAGEN. RICHMOND HANDLE. *44-1987-Sub E-204A*

AIRMAIL COPIES TO WFO AND MEMPHIS *lls*

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① - MEMPHIS (AIRMAIL)
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CFW:cbw

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RE: JOHN LOUIS CHAMPAGNE

By communication dated April 11, 1968, the Washington Field Office of the FBI advised as follows:

JAMES G. L. HOWARD, 7115 Leesville Boulevard, Springfield, Virginia, telephonically advised on the night of April 10, 1968, that about 8:00 A. M., he observed an individual resembling the artist conception of MARTIN LUTHER KING's assassin in a green Volkswagen bearing North Carolina license BY-7044 at Gallows Road and Route 50, Fairfax, Virginia. The car proceeded west on Route 50.

The following investigation was conducted by SA CRAWFORD F. WILLIAMS:

AT CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA

On April 11, 1968, Mrs. SARA WATSON, Driver's License Section, North Carolina Department of Motor Vehicles, Raleigh, North Carolina, telephonically advised that 1968 North Carolina license BY-7044 is registered to JOHN LOUIS CHAMPAGNE, 10027 Mosly Woods Drive, Fairfax, Virginia, for a 1966 Volkswagen.

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TO: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)
FROM: SAC, CHARLOTTE (44-1365) (P)
SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re WFO teletype to Bureau and Charlotte dated 4/11/68,
and Charlotte teletype to Bureau and Richmond, with airmail
copy to Memphis dated 4/11/68.

There are being furnished Memphis herewith an original
and 8 copies of an insert concerning JOHN LOUIS CHAMPAGNE *44-1987-Sub E-204A*

In referenced Charlotte teletype, Richmond was
instructed to handle.

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AIRTEL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
FROM: SAC, RICHMOND (44-657) -P-
MURKIN

RE JOHN LEWIS CHAMPAGNE
(TRUE NAME--JOHN LEWIS CHAMPAGNE)

Rebirtel to Bureau and Richmond, 4/11/68, and
Bureau airtel to Richmond 4/30/68, requesting results
of investigation.

The Washington Field Office instructed the
Richmond Office April 11, 1968, they had received a
telephone call from Mr. JAMES G. L. HOWARD, 7115 Lees-
ville Boulevard, Springfield, Va., on the night of
April 10, 1968, advising that he observed the driver
of a green Volkswagen, bearing North Carolina License
BRT044, who resembled the artist sketch of the individual
that had shot Rev. KING. This individual had been
observed in the vicinity of Gallows Road, Route 50,
Fairfax, Va.

The license number was determined to be
registered to a JOHN LEWIS CHAMPAGNE, 10027 Mosby
Woods Drive, Fairfax, Va., according to the records
of the DMV at North Carolina.

SA ROLAND M. COCKER, JR., conducted the
following investigation on April 11, 1968 at Fairfax, Va.:

Mr. and Mrs. JOHN SEXTON, Apartment 321,
10027 Mosby Woods Drive, advised that JOHN LEWIS and

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PENELOPE CHAMPAGNE reside at Apartment 322 at this address and are closely acquainted with the SEXTONS. Both advised that Mr. and Mrs. CHAMPAGNE have resided here since September, 1967, and that he is a student at American University working toward his Master's Degree. They both advised that neither Mr. or Mrs. CHAMPAGNE have left the area during their residence here. They further advised when shown the artist conception of the killer in this matter that they did not think there was any resemblance between the sketch and Mr. CHAMPAGNE. They advised that Mr. CHAMPAGNE has a conspicuous facial scar extending from his lip caused from an accident a number of years ago.

Mr. and Mrs. JOHN LEWIS CHAMPAGNE were thereafter contacted and advised that they have resided in this apartment since September, 1967, and have not been out of the State of Virginia since that time. CHAMPAGNE was born [redacted] at Springfield, Mass., receiving an honorable discharge from the U. S. Army as a Captain, ASN [redacted] after serving from January 3, 1964, through August, 1967. He was employed with the Defense Intelligence Agency at Arlington Hall, Arlington, Va., from September, 1967, through February, 1968, when he left to enroll at American University to work toward his Master's Degree having obtained his Bachelor's Degree at the University of Massachusetts.

Through observation and interview CHAMPAGNE was observed to be described as follows:

Race	White
Sex	Male
Height	6'1½"
Weight	195 lbs.
Eyes	Brown
Hair	Brown
Scars	3" scar on left corner of lip

No additional investigation is being conducted re CHAMPAGNE in view of the above investigation.

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AIRTEL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
FROM: SAC, WFO (44-703)
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ReWFO telephone call to RH (Alexandria RA) 4/11/68.

At 9:10 p.m., 4/10/68, Corporal J. E. O'CONNOR, Fairfax County, Va., Police Dept., advised SA O. M. SHASAL he had learned the following from RUBY DANSEY, 9100 Richmond Highway, Ft. Belvoir, Va., who operates The Belvoir Grill, at this address, telephone 781-5841; that earlier in the evening, a man had been in The Belvoir Grill and he appeared to be a "dead ringer" of the individual whose composite picture she had seen of the subject wanted for the murder of MARTIN LUTHER KING, Jr. O'CONNOR stated that DANSEY had described this man as a white male, 5'7" to 5'8", sandy graying hair, thin line mustache, wearing a brown pin-strip suit and a red-blue plaid flannel shirt. She said that the man had no luggage and as far as she could ascertain, he was on foot. In conversation with this individual, DANSEY said he told her he was from Knoxville and was hitchhiking to Fla.

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Officer O'CONNOR stated he checked out the area, but was unable to locate the individual described by DANSBY.

Officer O'CONNOR stated that DANSBY had set aside the dinner utensils that the unknown man had used at the grill.

RH obtain the dinner utensils and submit to Laboratory for fingerprint comparison.

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A I R T E L

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
FROM: SAC, RICHMOND (P)
SUBJECT: MURKIN
CRA, 1964

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Re WFO airtel to Bureau, 4/11/68.

Mrs. RUBY DANSEY, owner and manager of the Belvoir Grill, 9100 Richmond Highway, U. S. 1, Fairfax Co., Va., phoned Fairfax Co., Va. PD night of 4/10/68 and they in turn, phoned WFO to advise that DANSEY served an unknown itinerant on 4/10/68, whom she thought resembled the artist's conception of subject which had appeared in local newspapers.

Mrs. DANSEY was interviewed by SA ROLAND M. COCKER 4/11/68 and advised that the description of the itinerant who came to her Grill was 54 years of age, 5'8", 155 lbs., sandy-graying hair, thin mustache, blue eyes, no car, and without money. She later saw the artist's conception appearing in the local newspapers and believed the itinerant to have resembled the artist's sketch. She advised she has not maintained the dinner utensils used by this person. This description was also furnished by ROSE "FRENCHIE" KELLY, a waitress who also saw the itinerant.

In view of the wide discrepancy of the physical description of the itinerant from that of the subject, no further action is being taken in this regard.

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The following investigation was conducted by
SA ROBERT H. CAVERLY:

AT FAYETTEVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA

WILLIAM JOYNER, Bureau of Identification, Fayetteville, North Carolina, Police Department, advised on April 7, 1968, that GEORGE WILBUR BREECE is the son of J. WILBUR BREECE, who operates a funeral home at 123 Bow Street in Fayetteville, which is located directly across the street from the Police Department.

Mr. JOYNER stated he is acquainted with BREECE and saw him last week in Fayetteville in United States Army fatigues. He was driving a late model green automobile which was believed to be a Mustang or Cougar and he observed over the sun visor a sign with the words "Army Mortuary Service."

Mr. JOYNER stated that BREECE is of similar stature and bears a resemblance to the composite photograph of the suspect in the KING assassination, however, his nose is not as prominent as the nose shown on the photograph.

AT FORT BRAGG, NORTH CAROLINA

Desk Sergeant J. N. STEVENSON, Provost Marshal's Office, advised on April 7, 1968, that his records contained the name of Specialist Fourth-Class GEORGE W. BREECE, Army Serial Number [REDACTED] who was as of February, 1968, assigned to Headquarters Company, United States Army Garrison, Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

Sergeant J. H. BURKE, Headquarters Company, United States Army Garrison, advised that he has no records available at this time of the morning to indicate the whereabouts or duty status of Specialist BREECE, but stated these records would be available possibly in the later morning hours or not until Monday morning, April 8, 1968.

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Second Lieutenant N. F. THERIEN, Officer in Charge, Mortuary Division, and Sergeant JOEL GRAHAM, Noncommissioned Officer in Charge, Mortuary Division, verified the fact that Specialist GEORGE BREECE was on duty at this division during the period of March 28, 1968, through April 4, 1968, and presently on duty.

First Sergeant ROBERT E. MC CARTHY, Service Company, United States Army Garrison, advised that Specialist BREECE was present for duty during the period of March 28, 1968, through April 4, 1968, and that he was not Absent Without Official Leave or late for duty during this period. First Sergeant MC CARTHY stated that BREECE is an intelligent young man assigned to the Mortuary Division and he has been in the Army for two years and has never been in any sort of trouble. He stated he considers BREECE above average as a soldier. The present-for-duty verification was made from military records by First Sergeant MC CARTHY which indicated Specialist BREECE was present for duty during the pertinent period.

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10-14 AM URGENT 4-12-68 BID

TO MEMPHIS 44-1987

FROM DENVER 157-203 2P

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MR. EDWARD MEADOWS, ONE ZERO ONE SIX NORTH CUSTER, COLORADO SPRINGS, COLORADO ADVISED HE ATTENDED A MEETING AT PALMER HOUSE MOTEL CONDUCTED BY ONE EDWARD GRANTHAM, WHO WAS RECRUITING STUDENTS FOR A SPEEDWRITING COURSE. HE SAID GRANTHAM REPRESENTED THE INTERNATIONAL SCHOOLS, MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE. MEADOWS STATED IN HIS OPINION GRANTHAM HAD A PROFILE WHICH RESEMBLED THAT OF ARTIST-S SKETCH PUBLISHED IN INSTANT CASE. HE DESCRIBED GRANTHAM AS SIX FEET ONE OR TWO INCHES TALL, ONE SEVEN FIVE POUNDS, DARK HAIR, TURNING GRAY, FIFTY TO FIFTYFIVE YEARS OLD.

INQUIRY PALMER HOUSE DISCLOSED ENNIS E. GRANTHAM, THREE ZERO TWO ZERO BARRON, MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE, REGISTERED MOTEL APRIL NINE, LAST AND INDICATED PLANS TO REMAIN IN COLORADO SPRINGS UNTIL APRIL SIXTEEN, NEXT. REGISTRATION SHOWS HIS BUSINESS AFFILIATION AS INTERNATIONAL SCHOOLS, MEMPHIS.

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INQUIRY THROUGH INFORMATION TELEPHONE COMPANY DISCLOSED ONE E. E. GRANTHAM IS A RESIDENT AT THREE ZERO TWO ZERO BARRON, MEMPHIS, TELEPHONE NUMBER FOUR FIVE EIGHT - SEVEN TWO NINE SEVEN, ALSO INTERNATIONAL SCHOOLS, INC. IS LOCATED AT THREE SEVEN NINE SIX LAMAR, WITH BRANCHES AT TWO OTHER LOCATIONS.

MEMPHIS ADVISED FOR INFORMATION.

IT IS SUGGESTED INTERNATIONAL SCHOOLS BE CONTACTED TO DETERMINE LOCATION OF GRANTHAM ON PERTINENT DATE IN CASE. GRANTHAM NOT BEING CONTACTED COLORADO SPRINGS, UNLESS BEING REQUESTED BY MEMPHIS.

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FBI NEW HAVEN

1043AM URGENT 4/12/68 LAC

TO DIRECTOR, ATLANTA, BIRMINGHAM, CHARLOTTE, COLUMBIA, MEMPHIS AND WFO
FROM NEW HAVEN (157-818)

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REMYTEL TO BUREAU AND RECIPIENT OFFICES APRIL ELEVEN LAST.

FOLLOWING ADDITIONAL INFO OBTAINED FROM ATTY. PISKORSKI: *0* ✓

UNSUB MARINE IDENTIFIED AS PFC H.H. CRADDOCK, *0* JR., USMC (R), MSN [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] HOME ADDRESS THREE NINE ZERO SEVEN
OR THREE NINE EIGHT SEVEN PARAMOUNT ST., CHARLESTON, SC. PARRISH

IDENTIFIED AS PFC K.K. PARRISH, *0* USMC (R), MSN [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] HOME ADDRESS NINE SEVEN ONE THREE RED LANE DRIVE, BIRMINGHAM,
ALA.

CRADDOCK RELEASED TO INACTIVE DUTY AND TO REPORT TO FIFTYTHIRD CO.
FMF, USMC (R), NB, CHARLESTON, SC.

PARRISH RELEASED AND TO REPORT TO FOURTH BN, FOURTEENTH MARINES,
FOURTH MARINE DIV., BIRMINGHAM.

ABOVE INFOR OBTAINED BY PISKORSKI FROM SPECIAL ORDERS WHICH
RELEASED RESERVE MEMBERS OF HIS OUTFIT FROM ACTIVE DUTY AND DATED DEC.

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ATTLANTA, CHARLOTTE, WFO DISCONTINUE.

FOR INFO COLUMBIA AND BIRMINGHAM, PISKORSKI HAS ADVISED THAT IN DEC. SIXTYSIX WHILE STATIONED ON SIX-MOTH ACTIVE DUTY AT CAMP LEJEUNE, N.C., AN M-FOURTEEN RIFLE WAS STOLEN FROM HIS COMPANY AND THEFT NOT RESOLVED. IN TALK WITH DAVID PARRISH, PISKORSKI LEARNED THAT H.H. CRADDOCK, JR., WHO WAS BUDDY OF PARRISH, HAD INDICATED TO PARRISH, THAT WHEN HE GOT OUT OF SERVICE HE INTENDED TO KILL MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

BIRMINGHAM WILL CONTACT PARRISH FOR ADDITIONAL INFO RE HIS CONVERSTATION WITH CRADDOCK.

COLUMBIA WILL INTERVIEW CRADDOCK RE WHEREABOUTS ON DATE OF ASSASSINATION. IF DEEMED DESIRABLE WILL ALSO CHECK CRADDOCK'S PERSONNEL FILE IN HIS RESERVE DETACHMENT, CHARLESTON. ATTEMPT TO LOCATE PHOTO AND FORWARD TO MEMPHIS FOR DISPLAY TO WITNESSES. P.

ENDMCP

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TO DIRECTOR /44-38861/ BIRMINGHAM /44-1740/

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FROM COLUMBIA /44-299/

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RE NEW HAVEN TELETYPE TO DIRECTOR APRIL TWELVE INSTANT
CONCERNING SUSPECT H. H. CRADDOCK, JR. *Sub E-208*

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HUGH HAMILTON CRADDOCK, JR. EMPLOYED NAVY YARD, CHARLESTON,
S.C., AND WORKED EIGHT A.M. TO FOUR FORTYFIVE P.M., APRIL FOUR
LAST. ON ANNUAL LEAVE MARCH TWENTYFIVE TO MARCH TWENTYNINE
LAST AS WAS MARRIED MARCH TWENTYTHREE LAST AND SPENT MARCH
TWENTYFOUR LAST THROUGH MARCH TWENTYSIX LAST AT ATLANTA, GA.
RETURNED TO CHARLESTON MARCH TWENTYSEVEN LAST AND PICKED UP
PAYCHECK MARCH TWENTYNINE LAST.

BIRMINGHAM DISCONTINUE RE SUSPECT CRADDOCK. INSERT
FOLLOWS TO MEMPHIS.

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TO DIRECTOR (44-38861), MEMPHIS (44-1987), COLUMBIA
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MURKIN

RE WASHINGTON FIELD TEL TO DIRECTOR, ATLANTA, BIRMINGHAM AND
MEMPHIS, APRIL ELEVEN, LAST.

FOR INFO COLUMBIA, ATTORNEY DAVID ALFRED PISKORSKI, ONE FOUR
FOUR WEST MAIN STREET, PLAINVILLE, CONN., ADVISED FOLLOWING:

IN JANUARY, SIXTYSIX, HE ENTERED ON ACTIVE DUTY, USMC, UNDER
ENLISTED RESERVE PROGRAM, SIX MONTHS ACTIVE DUTY TOUR AND COMPLETED
THIS TRAINING DECEMBER TWENTY, SIXTYSIX. AT TIME OF RELEASE, HE
WAS ASSIGNED TO COMPANY F, SECOND BATTALION, SECOND MARINES, SECOND
MARINE DIVISION,,FMF, CAMP LEJEUNE. DURING EARLY PART OF DECEMBER,
HIS OUTFIT WENT TO VIEQUE ON MANEUVERS AND APPROXIMATELY THIRTY
RESERVISTS REMAINED AT CAMP LEJEUNE PROCESSING FOR THEIR DISCHARGE.
DURING THIS PERIOD, AN M-FOURTEEN RIFLE STOLEN AND EXTENSIVE
INVESTIGATION CONDUCTED BY MILITARY AUTHORITIES. THIEF NOT IDENTIFIED.
IN CONVERSATION WITH OTHER MEMBERS OF RESERVISTS, MARINE RESERVIST
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