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LEAVENWORTH PRISON NUMBER. BEASLEY SAID RECORDS OF THESE TWO INDIVIDUALS WOULD HAVE TO BE REVIEWED IN ORDER TO MAKE THIS DETERMINATION.

BEASLEY SAID JOHN R. KELLER, FLORENCE NO. SEVEN FIVE SEVEN FOUR, RELEASED FROM FLORENCE ABOUT NINETEEN SIXTY-TWO AND HIS RECORD SENT TO FEDERAL RECORDS CENTER, DENVER, COLORADO, IN AGENCY CONTAINER NO. TWELVE.

BEASLEY SAID JOHN R. KELLER, FLORENCE NO. FOUR NINE SEVEN SEVEN, RELEASED FROM FLORENCE IN NINETEEN FIFTY-SEVEN AND RECORD TRANSFERRED IN SIXTY-THREE TO FEDERAL RECORDS CENTER, BELL, CALIF., CONTAINER NO. EIGHT THREE FOUR FOUR NINE, AGENCY CONTAINER NO. FIVE, ACCESSION NO. SIX FOUR DASH A DASH SIX ONE.

DENVER AND LOS ANGELES: REVIEW ABOVE-MENTIONED RECORDS IN ORDER TO IDENTIFY THE KELLER WITH LEAVENWORTH PRISON NO. SEVEN TWO SIX ONE FOUR DASH L, AND SET OUT APPROPRIATE LEADS.

AIR MAIL COPIES SENT BIRMINGHAM, KANSAS CITY, AND PHOENIX.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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2:26PM URGENT 5-2-68 NJZ

TO DIRECTOR (44-38861) DENVER MEMPHIS AND EL PASO
FROM LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

MURKIN

RE EL PASO TEL MAY ONE LAST RE J. R. KELLER, REPORTED
ASSOCIATE OF SUBJECT RAY AT LEVENWORTH.

LAWRENCE FOWLER, ASSISTANT BRANCH CHIEF, REFERENCE
SERVICE BRANCH, FEDERAL RECORDS CENTER, BELL, CALIFORNIA,
ADVISED NO RECORD FOR KELLER MAINTAINED AT BELL. RECORDS
FOR FLORENCE, ARIZONA PRISONERS ONE THROUGH FOUR SEVEN SEVEN
SEVEN FOR PERIOD NINETEEN FIFTY TWO THROUGH FIFTY SIX MAIN-
TAINED AT BELL. KELLER HAD FLORENCE NUMBER FOUR NINE SEVEN
SEVEN AND RELEASED FROM FLORENCE NINETEEN FIFTY SEVEN.
SUBSEQUENT TO JANUARY, NINETEEN SIXTY TWO, FLORENCE PRISONER
RECORDS TRANSFERRED TO FEDERAL RECORDS CENTER, DENVER.

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FOWLER ADVISED CONTAINER EIGHT THREE FOUR FOUR NINE, AGENCY
CONTAINER FIVE CONCERNS U. S. AIR FORCE AND ACCESSION NUMBER
SIX FOUR DASH A DASH SIX ONE CONCERNS LA CONTRACTOR MANAGEMENT
SHIPMENT.

DENVER HANDLE LOS ANGELES LEAD LISTED IN RETEL.

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609PM URGENT 5-2-68 JRW

TO DIRECTOR 44-38861, MEMPHIS 44-1987, EL PASO 157-186 AND PHOENIX
FROM DENVER 157-203 (P) 3P

MURKIN

Sub E-763

RE: J R KELLER, REPORTED ASSOCIATE OF SUBJECT RAY AT LEAVENWORTH.

RE: EL PASO TEL TO BUREAU, MAY ONE LAST AND LOS ANGELES TEL TO
BUREAU, MAY TWO INSTANT.

FOR INFORMATION PHOENIX, RECORDS AT FCI, LA TUNA, FOR J.R.
KELLER, LEAVENWORTH PRINSON NUMBER SEVEN TWO SIX ONE FOUR - L, WHO
WAS REPORTEDLY ASSOCIATE OF SUBJECT RAY AT LEAVENWORTH, KANSAS,
WHILE IN FEDERAL PRISON, WERE LOCATED AT THE FEDERAL RECORDS CENTER,
DENVER, COLORADO. THESE RECORDS FURNISHED BY MR. BERNARD URAM, CLERK,
FEDERAL RECORDS CENTER, TO SA JOHN H. GALLIE ON MAY TWO INSTANT REFLECT
FEDERAL PRISON CAMP, FLORENCE, ARIZONA FILE NUMBER SEVEN FIVE
SEVEN FOUR F FOR JOHN RICHARD KELLER, FBI NUMBER ONE SIX
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EIGHT SEVEN FIVE SEVEN EIGHT, REFLECT HE WAS FINGERPRINTED AUGUST FIFTEEN, ONE NINE FIVE FIVE BY U. S. PENITENTIARY KANSAS, AND HAD PRISON NUMBER SEVEN TWO SIX ONE FOUR--L. KELLER WAS RECEIVED AT LEAVENWORTH AUGUST FIFTEEN ONE NINE FIVE FIVE, FROM FCI, LA TUNA TEXAS, AND WAS TRANSFERRED TO FLORENCE, ARIZONA PRISON CAMP, FEB TWO TWO ONE NINE FIVE SEVEN WHILE SERVING A THREE YEAR SENTENCE FOR VIOLATION ITSMV, EL PASO FILE NUMBER TWO SIX - NINE TWO NINE SEVEN. NO WHERE IN THIS FILE IS SUBJECT RAY'S NAME MENTIONED NOR OF ANYOTHER FRIENDS OF ASSOCIATES WHILE IN PRISON AT LEAVENWORTH, KANSAS. SUBJECT'S FILE REFLECTS HE WAS LAST RELEASED FROM FEDERAL PRISON CAMP, FLORENCE, ARIZONA JUNE ONE, NINETEEN SIXTYTWO AT WHICH TIME HIS DESTINATION WAS LISTED AS TUCSON, ARIZ. HIS RELATIVES WERE LISTED AS MOTHER, MARY F. HINSON, ONE NINE ONE ONE S. SUCEA, WICHITA, KANSAS; BROTHER, KENNETH KELLER, MESA, ARIZONA; SISTER, IMAGE K. PICKARD, ONE ZERO THREE FOUR W. SEVENTH ST., MESA, ARIZ; BROTHER, RAY KELLER, LAS VEGAS, NEVADA; SISTER, MARY ALICE KIRKLAND, ALHAMBRA, CALIF; SISTER LUCILE

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DENVER 157-203

K. KISSELL, SIX TWO FIVE ZERO MARLOWE DRIVE, BRIGHTON, MICHIGAN; EX-WIFE
GEORGIA GRIFFIN, ONE TWO TWO N. MOUNTAIN AVE., TUSCON, ARIZ; SON,
JOHN RICHARD KELLER, JR., FOUR NINE SEVEN THREE S. TWELFTH AVE.,
TUSCON, ARIZ; FOUR OTHER SONS RESIDING WITH MOTHER AND ONE SON
IN USMC. FILE REFLECTS KELLER IN LATE NINETEEN FIFTYSEVEN,
CONSPIRED WITH MARION MURRELL COOPER TO STEAL A CAR IN TUCSON AND
TRANSPORT IT TO GUATEMALA CITY, GUATEMALA, PHOENIX FILE NUMBER TWO SIX -
ONE ONE ONE ZERO ONE, ENTITLED JOHN RICHARD KELLER, ITSMV.

PHOENIX WILL ATTEMPT TO LOCATE AND INTERVIEW KELLER REGARDING
SUBJECT RAY.

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257PMURGENT 5-2-68 LEG

TO DIRECTOR (44-38861)

MEMPHIS (44-1397)

FROM PHOENIX (44-371) (1P)

MURKIN; CR. OO MEMPHIS

RE KANSAS CITY TEL TO DIRECTOR APRIL TWENTYNINE LAST AND DENVER TEL TO DIRECTOR MAY TWO LAST, RE J. R. KELLER REPORTED ASSOCIATE OF SUBJECT RAY AT LEAVENWORTH.

ON MAY THREE, INSTANT, JOHN RICHARD KELLER, TWO ONE FIVE ZERO APACHE BOULEVARD, MESA, AIRIZONA, ADVISED HE FORMERLY SERVED TIME AT LEAVENWORTH FROM NINETEEN FIFTYFIVE TO FIFTYSEVEN. HE ADVISED THERE WERE THREE THOUSAND INMATES AT LEAVENWORTH DURING THAT TIME. HE DENIED KNOWLEDGE OR ASSOCIATION WITH JAMES EARL RAY. SAID HE DOES NOT RECOGNIZED PHOTO OF RAY AS FORMER INMATE AT LEAVENWORTH NOR DOES HE HAVE ANY KNOWLEDGE OF RAY'S WHEREABOUTS.

KANSAS CITY ADVISED AIRMAIL.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

PENDING.

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619PM URGENT 4/29/68 WPK

TO BOSTON AND MEMPHIS

FROM DIRECTOR 1P

MURKIN

REBTEL APRIL TWENTYSEVEN, LAST AND MPTEL APRIL TWENTYSIX, LAST, REGARDING INFORMATION FURNISHED BY MRS. RICHARD BUSHEE.

REBTEL IDENTIFIES MAINE AUTO REGISTRATION THREE SIX SEVEN SIX THREE AS BEING ASSIGNED TO LIONEL E. PELLETIER OF TOPSHAM, MAINE.

REMPTEL REQUESTS BOSTON TO CHECK MAINE LICENSE NUMBER THREE SIX - SEVEN THREE SIX. BOSTON, IMMEDIATELY RECHECK AND ADVISE

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TO DIRECTOR AND MEMPHIS

FROM BOSTON

MURKIN

RE BUTEL THIS DATE AND BS TEL APRIL TWENTYSEVEN, LAST.

A RECHECK WITH MAINE STATE POLICE THIS DATE VERIFIES THAT MAINE
REGISTRATION THREE SIX SEVEN THREE SIX IS ISSUED TO LIONEL E.
PELLETIER OF NINE MIDDLE ST., TOPSHAM, MAINE.

REFERENCED BOSTON TEL FOUR TWENTYSEVEN LAST ERRONEOUSLY
IDENTIFIED THIS MAINE REGISTRATION AS THREE SIX SEVEN SIX THREE. AS
INDICATED IN BOSTON TEL PELLETIER HAS BEEN INTERVIEWED AND
ELIMINATED.

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AIRTEL

TO: SAC, CHARLOTTE (44-1365)

FROM: SAC, RICHMOND (44-657)

MURKIN

RE: EARL DAVIS - SUSPECT

Re Richmond telephone call to Charlotte, 4/26/68, to SA CRAWFORD WILLIAMS of the Charlotte Office.

Chief of Police ROBERT ELLISON, Colonial Heights, Virginia, telephonically advised SA LAURENCE E. WESCOTT of the Petersburg, Va. RA he had received a telephone call from suspect DAVIS from telephone #234-5967, and that DAVIS was currently located at Box 265, Rt. 1, Wilson, N. C. He described DAVIS as a white male, about 45 years of age, who was a road grader operator and also a heavy drinker.

Chief ELLISON informed that DAVIS desired that he, ELLISON, travel to Wilson, N. C., and take him, DAVIS, into custody for the murder of MARTIN LUTHER KING. ELLISON again pointed out that DAVIS is a drinker and had been arrested several times by the Colonial Heights, Va. PD, during the time he was employed as a grader operator in the Colonial Heights area sometime ago.

CHARLOTTE AT WILSON, N. C.

Will identify suspect DAVIS; ascertain his whereabouts at the pertinent times to determine whether or not he is identical with JAMES EARL RAY or could have any connection with this case.

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(Priority)TO: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)
FROM: SAC, RICHMOND (44-657) (P)MURKIN
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OO: MEMPHIS

RE: LESLIE MARSHALL HUDSON, aka
Jean Paul Ray

On 4/24/68, Deputy Sheriff GORDON I. JOHNSON, Orange County SO, Orange, Va., advised he had arrested two subjects, JEAN PAUL RAY and SOLOMON JACKSON BERRY on that date in Orange County, Va., in possession of a 1964 Chevelle Malibu Sports Sedan, bearing North Carolina License CM 3175, which vehicle had been reported stolen 4/23/68 from Charlotte, N. C. Recovered in the vehicle was a .38 caliber, Detective Special, Colt revolver, Serial No. 870460, in black-leather, sheep-lined case. Deputy Sheriff JOHNSON advised that in interview of RAY, he admitted ownership of the gun, stating he had purchased it legitimately and, further, that he had spent time in the Missouri State Penitentiary system.

RAY, in interview by Bureau Agent at Orange County, Va., concerning the ITSMV of the above-described vehicle, admitted his true identity as LESLIE MARSHALL HUDSON, a white male, born St. Louis, Missouri, on [redacted]. HUDSON advised he had, in fact, served time in the Missouri State Penitentiary system, having originally been incarcerated as a juvenile delinquent on 8/15/56 at the Booneville, Mo., Training School and had subsequently been transferred to the Algon Reformatory at Jefferson City, Mo., at which Reformatory he was subsequently convicted of and sentenced to four years for assault on a prison guard and two years for an escape and was transferred to the Missouri State Penitentiary, from which

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he was discharged in July, 1964.

HUDSON advised that after his discharge from the Missouri State Penitentiary, he had gone to Arlington, Va., where he had joined the American Nazi Party and had lived and worked with them until approximately February, 1965, at which time he went to Georgia, where he was arrested on a car-theft charge at Columbus, Ga., and committed to the State Penitentiary at Reidsville, Ga., on local charges, from which he was discharged on 7/29/66.

HUDSON claimed that he purchased the gun legitimately at Reno, Nevada, during December, 1967, but declined to furnish specific itinerary prior to his arrest at Orange County, Va., by Orange County SO, except to state that he had traveled extensively throughout the entire United States and had been in Charlotte, N. C., on the night of Monday, 4/22/68.

HUDSON was eliminated from fingerprints in a comparison with the I. O. #41821, JAMES EARL RAY.

HUDSON, during interview by Bureau Agent, stated that he believed he knew RAY by sight as a fellow-inmate in the Missouri State Penitentiary system, but denied any personal acquaintanceship with him.

An NCIC check has been made on the .38 caliber Colt revolver recovered in the vehicle; however, results have not as yet been received.

HUDSON has been charged in a detainer filed by the Alamance County SO, Graham, N. C., on a breaking and entering charge on the night of 4/23/68 while en route from Charlotte, N. C., to Orange, Va., in possession of the stolen vehicle. In addition, on 4/25/68, a complaint was filed with the U. S. Commissioner, Richmond, Va., charging HUDSON with violation of Title 18, Section 2312, USC, and detainer being filed. HUDSON has refused to waive extradition to North Carolina on the B & E charge.

HUDSON claims use of the alias JEAN PAUL RAY for approximately a two-year period in order to avoid identification because of his previous connection under his true name of HUDSON with the American Nazi Party at Arlington, Va.

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The files of the Richmond Division reflect HUDSON to have been a former subject of Richmond Files 26-25570 and 157-888.

HUDSON is described as follows:

Race	White
Sex	Male
DOB	[REDACTED]
POB	St. Louis, Missouri
Height	5' 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ "
Weight	150 lbs.
Hair	Brown
Eyes	Blue
Relatives	Claims none; states raised at Boys Town, Nebraska, and other orphanages.
Selective Service	Claims registration with LB 72, Montgomery City, Missouri
Scars and marks	Tattoo of dragon on left shoulder
Social Security #	[REDACTED] (torn Social Security card found in recovered vehicle issued to JEAN PAUL RAY, General Delivery, Montgomery, Alabama; issued 4/16/68 at Montgomery, Alabama)

The foregoing is furnished the Memphis Division for their information.

4/29/68

PLAIN TEXT

TELETYPE

URGENT

TO CHICAGO

FROM NEW ORLEANS (157-10673)

MURKIN.

LOOK-ALIKE, O'HARE AIRPORT, CHICAGO,

DELTA AIRLINE TICKET OFFICE, TWO P.M., APRIL NINE LAST.

H. ALVIN SHARPE, THE EDUCOIN COMPANY, NEW ORLEANS, LA., ADVISED APRIL TWENTYNINE INSTANT, THAT HE WAS IN CHICAGO ON APRIL NINE, SIXTYEIGHT. AT APPROXIMATELY TWO P.M., HE WENT TO DELTA AIRLINE TICKET OFFICE, O'HARE AIRPORT. HE HAD RETURN TRIP TICKET TO NEW ORLEANS AND DISCUSSED POSSIBILITY OF CHANGING TICKET TO EASTERN AIRLINES SO HE COULD RETURN BY WAY OF LEXINGTON, KY. WHILE DISCUSSING THIS WITH ONE OF TICKET AGENTS, HE OBSERVED A MAN TALKING WITH ONE OF THE SEAT RESERVATION AGENTS OF DELTA AIRLINES LOCATED TO THE LEFT OF TICKET AGENTS AS ONE FACES THESE AGENTS. HE THOUGHT THIS MAN WAS ARTHUR DARDEN, A MARINE ENGINEER WHO RESIDES NEW ORLEANS. HIS ATTENTION DRAWN TO THIS MAN WHEN HE HEARD THE MAN SAY HE WANTED TO GO TO NEW
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ORLEANS, BUT DID NOT WANT THE FLIGHT BY WAY OF ATLANTA. SHARPE WALKED TOWARD THE MAN SPEAKING TO HIM, THINKING HE WAS DARDEN, AND ASKED "WHAT ARE YOU DOING IN CHICAGO". THE MAN DID NOT RESPOND AND HAD A BLANK LOOK, WHEREUPON SHARPE REALIZED THIS MAN NOT DARDEN. HE THEN REALIZED THE MAN WAS SHORTER IN HEIGHT THAN DARDEN. SHARPE APOLOGIZED STATING HE THOUGHT MAN WAS SOMEONE HE KNEW. HE ADVISED THIS PERSON REMAINED AT THE SEAT RESERVATION COUNTER AND SEEMED TO HAVE A "HASSLE" WITH ONE OF THE TWO MEN AT THAT COUNTER. HE GATHERED IT CONCERNED THE MAN'S TRAVEL TO NEW ORLEANS, AS SHARPE HAD TO WAIT UNTIL EVENING FOR HIS PLANE TO NEW ORLEANS. HE NOTED SOME THIRTY MINUTES LATER THAT THE MAN WAS TALKING TO THE SAME SEAT RESERVATION AGENT. HE ASSUMED THE MAN HAD BEEN THERE ALL THIS TIME.

SHARPE DID NOT SEE THIS MAN AGAIN AND DOES NOT KNOW WHETHER THE MAN WAS ON HIS DELTA FLIGHT TO NEW ORLEANS WHICH LEFT CHICAGO APPROXIMATELY SIX P.M.

SHARPE STATES HAS OBSERVED A PICTURE OF JAMES EARL RAY DIFFERENT FROM THE FIRST PHOTO PUBLISHED OF ERIC STARVO GALT
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AND BELIEVES THAT THE MAN REFERRED TO ABOVE WAS IN FACT RAY.
SHARPE STATES HAS KNOWN DARDEN FOR FIFTEEN YEARS AND KNOWS
DARDEN NOT IDENTICAL WITH RAY.

CHICAGO CONTACT SEAT RESERVATION AGENTS ON DUTY O'HARE
AIRPORT AFTERNOON APRIL NINE LAST. ASCERTAIN IF THEY CAN
RECALL THIS INCIDENT AND WHETHER THEY CAN IDENTIFY PERSON
DESIRING TRAVEL TO NEW ORLEANS, BUT NOT ON FLIGHT VIA ATLANTA.
DETERMINE, IF POSSIBLE, NAME USED BY SUCH PERSON AND WHETHER
THIS PERSON POSSIBLY JAMES EARL RAY. SUGGEST EXHIBIT VARIOUS
PHOTOS OF RAY AS SHARPE STATES THE SIXTYEIGHT PHOTO OF RAY
DOES NOT RESEMBLE MAN AT AIRPORT.

AIRMAIL COPIES ATLANTA, BIRMINGHAM AND MEMPHIS.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

END.

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PLAINTEXT

TELETYPE

URGENT

TO TAMPA (157-3231)

FROM NEWARK (44-854)

MURKIN, OO MEMPHIS

RE TAMPA TELETYPE TO NEWARK FOUR TWENTY-SEVEN LAST.

TODAY, RICHARD RUTTER, AUTOMOTIVE RENTALS, INC.,
PENNSAUKEN, NJ, SAID THAT COMPANY'S RECORDS SHOW J. CORBETT
OF BILL CURRIE FORD AGENCY, TAMPA, FLORIDA, SUBMITTED TO
AUTOMOTIVE A BID OF ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS TO BUY INSTANT
PLYMOUTH ON BEHALF OF C AND R. AUTO SALES, TAMPA. AUTOMOTIVE
ACCEPTED THIS BID AND AUTOMOTIVE INVOICE NUMBER X THREE ZERO
ONE SIX TWO SHOWS INSTANT PLYMOUTH SOLD BY AUTOMOTIVE TO
C AND R ON ONE EIGHT, LAST. C AND R PAID AUTOMOTIVE WITH
A BANK DRAFT FOR ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS DRAWN ON THE BROADWAY
NATIONAL BANK, TAMPA. RUTTER SAID THE TITLE NUMBER FOR
INSTANT PLYMOUTH IS SEVEN TWO FIVE NINE FIVE EIGHT TWO. FOR
INFO, TAMP, RUTTER SAID RICE AND HOLMAN IS A PARENT COMPANY
TO AUTOMOTIVE, BUT RICE AND HOLMAN DO NOT HAVE RECORDS OF
ANY SALES OF USED CARS BY AUTOMOTIVE.

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TAMPA RECONTACT C AND R AUTO SALES TO ASCERTAIN WHO
THEY SOLD INSTANT PLYMOUTH TO.

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MAIL COPY TO SAVANNAH, AND MEMPHIS.

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April 29, 1968

TELETYPE

URGENT

TO SAC SAN FRANCISCO
FROM DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

MURKIN

THE FOLLOWING THREAT IS CONTAINED IN THE KING FILE:

BY TELETYPE SEPTEMBER TWENTYSEVEN SIXTYSIX, YOUR OFFICE REPORTED THAT ONE (FNU) OWENS HAD ALLEGEDLY THREATENED TO KILL SENATOR ROBERT KENNEDY AND KING. IT WAS REPORTED THAT ONE MICHAEL MOUNT, ONE ZERO ZERO NINE PACIFIC AVENUE, HALF MOON BAY, CALIFORNIA, HAD PICKED UP OWENS AS A HITCHHIKER AND OWENS CLAIMED HE HAD PREVIOUSLY BEEN BEATEN UP BY THREE BLACK MUSLIMS IN WASHINGTON, D. C., WHILE HE WAS AN ARMY INTELLIGENCE OFFICER OR A MEMBER OF THE NBC STAFF. IT WAS INDICATED ADDITIONAL INFORMATION MIGHT BE AVAILABLE THROUGH CONTACT WITH ARMY INTELLIGENCE IN CALIFORNIA.

ALTHOUGH SUBJECT RAY HAS BEEN IDENTIFIED AS THE ASSAILANT, YOU SHOULD CONDUCT INVESTIGATION TO DETERMINE IF OWENS MIGHT BE IMPLICATED AS A CONSPIRATOR.

AIRMAIL COPIES TO MEMPHIS.

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1149AM URGENT 5-2-68 MS

TO DIRECTOR (44-38861) & MEMPHIS (44-1987)

FROM SAN FRANCISCO (173-65) 2P

MURKIN

REBUTEL APRIL TWO NINE, LAST, AND SAN FRANCISCO TEL, SEPTEMBER TWO SEVEN, SIXTYSIX, ENTITLED "UNSUB, THREAT AGAINST SENATOR ROBERT F. KENNEDY AND MARTIN LUTHER KING, INFORMATION CONCERNING."

ON MAY ONE, LAST, DEAN PAPE, ONE HUNDRED FIFTEENTH MILITARY INTELLIGENCE GROUP, ADVISED NO RECORD OF FNU OWENS ^{Sub E-769} COULD BE LOCATED IN THE RECORDS OF THEIR SPECIAL OPERATIONS BRANCH. PAPER OPINED IF ANY RECORD HAD BEEN MADE, IT WOULD HAVE BEEN DESTROYED AFTER ONE YEAR.

BUREAU WILL NOTE IN REFERENCED SAN FRANCISCO TEL OWENS WAS NOT IDENTIFIED AS A MEMBER OF THE MIG OR NBC, BUT THAT WHEN HE HAD BEEN BEATEN UP IN WASHINGTON, D.C., SAID BEATING HAD BEEN WITNESSED BY MEMBERS OF THE MIG AND NBC. FOR THE BUREAU'S INFO, SAN FRANCISCO ATTEMPTED TO FURTHER IDENTIFY OWENS IN NINETEEN SIXTYSIX BY SHOWING MICHAEL MOUNT PHOTOS OF FUGITIVES WHO MET OWENS DESCRIPTION, BUT WITHOUT SUCCESS. ^{Sub E-769}

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MICHAEL MOUNT, ONE ZERO ZERO NINE PACIFIC AVE., HALF MOON BAY, CALIF., AGE NINETEEN YRS., STUDENT, COLLEGE OF SAN MATEO, ON MAY ONE, LAST, ADVISED HE COULD FURNISH NO ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REGARDING FNU OWENS, THE HITCHHIKER HE GAVE A RIDE TO ABOUT A YEAR OR TWO AGO. HE STATED HE HAD NEVER HEARD NOR SEEN OWENS AGAIN AND HAD NO OTHER INFORMATION CONCERNING HIM. COP CERSANSKI, HALF MOON BAY PD, ADVISED NO RECORD REGARDING OWENS.

SUBJECT ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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PLAINTEXT

TELETYPE

URGENT

TO: SAC, NEW YORK
FROM: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
MURKIN

THE MAIN FILE ON KING REFLECTS THE FOLLOWING THREAT:
YOUR TELETYPE, FEBRUARY TWENTY-SECOND SIXTY FIVE,
REPORTING THE SHOOTING DEATH OF MALCOLM "X" (SEE YOUR FILE
ONE ZERO FIVE-EIGHT NINE NINE NINE) REPORTED INFORMATION
RECEIVED FROM JACK SHANAHAN, CITY DESK, ASSOCIATED PRESS,
NEW YORK CITY, THAT KNOWN OAAU MEMBERS IN NEW YORK ALLEGEDLY
HAD PLANS TO GO TO CHICAGO TO KILL ELIJAH MUHAMMAD AND ALSO
HAD PLANS TO KILL KING.

ALTHOUGH SUBJECT RAY HAS BEEN IDENTIFIED AS THE
ASSAILANT, YOU SHOULD CONDUCT LOGICAL INVESTIGATION TO
DETERMINE IF ABOVE MEMBERS OF THE OAAU MIGHT BE IMPLICATED AS
A CONSPIRATOR.

AIRMAIL COPIES TO MEMPHIS.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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The files of the Richmond Division reflect HUDSON to have been a former subject of Richmond Files 26-25570 and 157-888.

HUDSON is described as follows:

Race	White
Sex	Male
DOB	[REDACTED]
POB	St. Louis, Missouri
Height	5' 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ "
Weight	150 lbs.
Hair	Brown
Eyes	Blue
Relatives	Claims none; states raised at Boys Town, Nebraska, and other orphanages.
Selective Service	Claims registration with LB 72, Montgomery City, Missouri
Scars and marks	Tattoo of dragon on left shoulder
Social Security #	[REDACTED] (torn Social Security card found in recovered vehicle issued to JEAN PAUL RAY, General Delivery, Montgomery, Alabama; issued 4/16/68 at Montgomery, Alabama)

The foregoing is furnished the Memphis Division for their information.

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AIRTEL

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (44-1609)
SUBJECT: MURKIN

Sub E-770

Re threats against MARTIN LUTHER KING.

Re Bureau teletype to NY dated 4/29/68.

The following sources, reliable in the past, were contacted on 5/1/68, and all advised they had no information regarding any conspiracy involving OAAU members in the assassination of Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, Jr.

Source

Contacting Agent

NY 5011-R
NY 5094-R
NY 4711-R
NY 4605-R
NY 2846-R
NY 4657-R
NY 4873-R
NY 5443-R

L. GREY BROCKMAN
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RODGER T. BRESNKE
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DANIEL BRYAN LYONS
JOHN TRACY CURTIN

3-Bureau
①-Memphis
1-New York

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NY 44-1609

All of the above sources are familiar with OAAU activities which organization now has only 10 to 15 active members.

SUBJECT RAY SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

FBI MEMPHIS

FBI WASH DC

1203AM 4/30/68 GFH

TO DIRECTOR ATLANTA MEMPHIS

FROM WASHINGTON FIELD 44-703 1P

44-1987-750

MURKIN

RE ATLANTA TEL TO DIRECTOR, MEMPHIS, KNOXVILLE, RICHMOND AND WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE, APRIL TWENTYFIVE LAST.

J. C. VAUGHN, OFFICE MANAGER, CURTIS WRIGHT CORPORATION, EIGHT TWO ONE FIFTEENTH STREET, N. W., WDC ADVISED THIS DATE HE WAS A PASSENGER ABOARD DELTA AIRLINER FLIGHT ONE ZERO SIX FROM ATLANTA ON APRIL FIVE LAST. HE SAID THAT HE HAD ATTENDED AN AIR FORCE ASSOCIATION MEETING AT ATLANTA THE EVENING OF APRIL FOUR LAST.

VAUGHN IS WHITE MALE, SIXTYONE YEARS OF AGE, FIVE FEET NINE INCHES, ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY POUNDS, GREY HAIR. NO FURTHER INVESTIGATION RE VAUGHN IS BEING CONDUCTED BY WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE.

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FBI SAN FRAN

405PM URGENT 4-29-68 KLJ

TO DIRECTOR (44-38861), LOS ANGELES (44-1574) & MEMPHIS (44-1987)
FROM SAN FRANCISCO (173-65) 1P

MURKIN

RE: TELEPHONE NUMBER FOUR ZERO EIGHT DASH EIGHT FOUR TWO DASH
TWO ZERO ONE FOUR.

RE HOUSTON TEL AND LOS ANGELES TELEPHONE CALL TO SAN FRANCISCO,
BOTH APRIL TWO EIGHT, LAST.

PACIFIC TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH COMPANY, SAN FRANCISCO, ADVISED
THIS DATE TELEPHONE NUMBER FOUR ZERO EIGHT DASH EIGHT FOUR TWO
DASH TWO ZERO ONE FOUR LISTED TO GUADALUPE MATO, RUCKER AVENUE
(NO NUMBER), ROUTE TWO, BOX ONE FOUR FIVE, GILROY, CALIFORNIA. NO
RECORD MATO IN SAN FRANCISCO FILES.

LOS ANGELES FURNISH SAN FRANCISCO WITH ANY PERTINENT INFORMATION.

SAN FRANCISCO WILL OBTAIN BACKGROUND INFORMATION RE MATO AT
GILROY, CALIFORNIA.

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TELETYPE

URGENT

TO: SAC, DENVER
FROM: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

MURKIN

THE FOLLOWING THREAT IS CONTAINED IN THE KING FILE.

BY TELETYPE DECEMBER THIRTEEN NINETEEN SIXTYFIVE, THE ATLANTA OFFICE REPORTED THAT AN ASSISTANT OF KING RECEIVED A TELEPHONE CALL FROM A MALE INDIVIDUAL WHO STATED HE WAS "MR. CHEW" (PHONETIC) ADDRESS ONE EIGHT ZERO ZERO WASHINGTON STREET, DENVER, AND THIS PERSON TOLD KING'S ASSISTANT KING SHOULD BE CAREFUL AS SOMEONE WAS GOING TO ASSASSINATE HIM. A NOTATION IN THE BUREAU FILE INDICATES THE CALLER MIGHT BE ONE HOLT CHEW, A DENVER REALTOR, WHO REPORTEDLY HAS SEVERAL LOCAL ARRESTS FOR INTOXICATION.

ALTHOUGH SUBJECT RAY HAS BEEN IDENTIFIED AS THE ASSAILANT, YOU SHOULD CONDUCT INVESTIGATION TO IDENTIFY "CHEW" AND DETERMINE WHETHER HE OR OTHERS ABOUT WHOM HE TELEPHONED, MIGHT BE IMPLICATED AS A CONSPIRATOR.

AIRMAIL COPIES TO MEMPHIS.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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TELETYPE

URGENT

TO SAC, NEWARK
FROM DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

MURKIN, OO: MEMPHIS

IN A REVIEW OF THE MAIN FILE ON KING'S ACTIVITIES, THE
FOLLOWING THREAT WAS NOTED:

NEWARK AIRTEL OF MARCH THIRTYONE SIXTYFIVE, ADVISED THAT
ONE RICHARD WERNITZ HAD REPORTEDLY EXPRESSED A DESIRE TO SHOOT
KING.

ALTHOUGH SUBJECT RAY HAS BEEN IDENTIFIED AS THE
ASSAILANT, YOU SHOULD CONDUCT INVESTIGATION TO DETERMINE IF
WERNITZ MIGHT BE IMPLICATED AS A CONSPIRATOR.

AIRMAIL COPIES TO MEMPHIS.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

2 - MEMPHIS

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AIRTEL

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

Re: RICHARD WERTZ

Re Newark teletype to Bureau and Richmond, 5/2/68.

AT RICHMOND, VIRGINIA

The following investigation was conducted on 5/6/68 by SA CLAUDE L. SCHLAGER and SA CHARLES L. DENISTON:

Sub 4-586 p3
IGOR YACHENKO, owner, Park Motel, 7206 Washington Highway (U.S. Route 1), Richmond, Va., was interviewed and furnished the following information:

Sub E-775, Sub 4-586
RICHARD WERTZ was employed as a helper at the Park Motel from approximately November, 1967, to March 31, 1968, at which time, due to dissatisfaction with his performance, YACHENKO fired WERTZ. WERTZ remained at the Park Motel from March 31, 1968 through April 13, 1968, and worked with B. G. BROADHURST, a book salesman, who resides on a semi-permanent basis at the motel. YACHENKO stated that he saw WERTZ at the motel every day from March 31, 1968 to April 13, 1968. On 4/13/68, WERTZ and BROADHURST departed the motel in BROADHURST's automobile, a white Dodge station wagon, stating that they were returning to WERTZ's home in New Jersey.

- 1 - Bureau
 - 2 - Memphis (44-1987)
 - 2 - Newark (44-854)
 - 2 - Richmond
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On April 16, 1968, WENITZ and BRADBURST returned to the motel in a black Buick automobile approximately 1952 model which WENITZ had had during the latter part of 1967 and early part of 1968. WENITZ asked for a room at the motel, but YACENKO refused. Upon YACENKO's refusal, WENITZ left the motel and YACENKO has had no contact with him since.

YACENKO observed photographs of JAMES EARL RAY and stated he had never seen this individual.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

4/29/68

Airtel

Air Mail

To SAC, Louisville

From SAC, Indianapolis (44-563) (P)

MURKIN

CR

OO: Memphis

MISSY FOX, 4402 44th Street, Ashland, Kentucky, wrote a letter to the Chief of Police, Lafayette, Indiana, advising as follows:

On 4/20/68 she traveled by New York Central train from Chicago, Illinois to Cincinnati, Ohio. She has a very strong reason to believe that RAY was on the train. The man was suspicious looking and said nothing to his companion. The man believed to be RAY and the other man traveling with him got off the train in Lafayette, Indiana. They were met by a woman driving a light or creamy brown Rambler station wagon, about a 1963 or 1964 model.

Chief of Police has advised that the PD has not been able to identify the car or obtain any other leads as to the identity of the person getting off the train. A display of RAY's photograph at the NYC Station met with negative results.

Louisville interview MISSY FOX, Ashland, Ky., and display photos to her to determine how positive she is of subject's identification. If a positive identification is made, obtain further details she may have that may assist in locating subject and set out appropriate leads to identify and interview the conductor of the train.

2-Louisville
2-Memphis (44-1987)
2-Indianapolis

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Date: 5/4/68

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Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL _____
(Priority)

TO: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)

FROM: SAC, LOUISVILLE (44-947) (P)

RE: MURKIN
CR
OO: MEMPHIS

Sub E-796

Re Indianapolis airtel to Louisville, 4/29/68.

On 5/2/68, MISSY FOX, 4402 44th Street, Ashland, Ky., a high school student, advised SA ROBERT L. STOWE, JR., that on 4/20/68, she was on the train between Chicago, Ill., and Ashland, Ky. While on the train she saw a man whom she believed to be identical with RAY. This identification was made from a newspaper photograph. When FOX viewed the photographs appearing on the Identification Order and Wanted Flyer, she stated that the man she saw was certainly was not RAY. She noted that the photographs on the Wanted Flyer and Identification Order are of much better quality than the newspaper photograph she saw and she is now sure that she did not see RAY.

- ② Memphis
- 1- Indianapolis (44-563) (Info)
- 2- Louisville (44-947)
- RLS/pam
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AIRTEL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
FROM: SAC, CHICAGO (44-1114)
SUBJECT: MURKIN

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Re Bureau airtel to Chicago dated 4/25/68.
Re R. TAYLOR, OAK LAWN, ILLINOIS

~~ROBERT C. TAYLOR, ROBERT E. TAYLOR, RONALD P. TAYLOR, RUSSELL C. TAYLOR and ROY G. TAYLOR~~ all of Oak Lawn, Illinois, advised that they had not written or mailed the post card enclosed with Re Buairtel, nor could they think of anyone who might have done so.

No further inquiry is being conducted in this regard, UACB.

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- 3 - Bureau
- ① - Memphis (44-1987)
- 1 - Chicago

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PM URGENT 4/29/68 OLP
TO HOUSTON (44-1509)
FROM NEW ORLEANS (157-10673)

MURKIN

RE HOUSTON TEL TO NEW ORLEANS APRIL TWENTYSIX, SIXTYEIGHT.
RE: MARSHALL LEON DAVIS. LOOK ALIKE.

Mk - Sub E 511

INSTANT CADILLAC REGISTERED TO MARSHALL L. DAVIS IS
PARKED AT BROWN AND ROOT LOT, VENICE, LA., BUT DAVIS WORKING
OFF SHORE AND NOT AVAILABLE.

HOUSTON CONTACT BROWN AND ROOT FOR IDENTIFYING MILITARY
SERVICE NUMBER OF OTHER SIMILIAR NUMBER. PROVIDE SAME
TO IDENTIFICATION DIVISION SO THAT SUSPECT DAVIS MAY BE
ELIMINATED AS BEING IDENTICAL WITH SUBJECT RAY.

AIRMAIL COPY TO MEMPHIS.

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Date: 4/30/68

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Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL
(Priority)

TO: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)
FROM: *WR* SAC, HOUSTON (44-1509)
RE: MURKIN

Re NO tel 4/29/68; mytel 4/26/68.

Sub E-778

RE: MARSHALL LEON DAVIS, LOOK ALIKE

In view of information set forth in mytel that DAVIS has been working for Brown and Root Construction Company since 1950 and was born on _____, Livingston, Texas, it is not believed necessary to conduct any further investigation to eliminate DAVIS.

- ② - Memphis
- 1 - New Orleans (info)(157-10673)
- 1 - Houston

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FBI EL PASO

1:25PM 4-30-68 URGENT CEJ

TO DIRECTOR (44-38861) AND MEMPHIS (44-1987)

FROM EL PASO (157-136) (P) 2 PAGES

MURKIN.

RE SUSPECT ROBERT DALE PORTER.

RE OKLAHOMA CITY TELETYPE TO THE BUREAU, OMAHA, MEMPHIS,
EL PASO, ETC., APRIL TWENTYNINE, LAST.

RECORDS CHECKED AT THE CLARK HOTEL, VAN HORN, TEXAS, APRIL
THIRTY, INSTANT, REFLECT ROBERT DALE PORTER, SAME DESCRIPTION AS
FURNISHED IN RETEL, CAME ON FOOT TO THE HOTEL AT ABOUT SEVEN P.M.,
APRIL THREE, LAST, AND RENTED ROOM SEVEN PAYING TWO DOLLARS FOR
ROOM AS PORTER STATED TO CLERK THAT TWO DOLLARS WAS ALL THE MONEY
HE HAD. PORTER SPENT NIGHT IN ROOM SEVEN GIVING ADDRESS OF ONE
SERO THREE AND ONE HALF EAST BALMER, WAVERLY, IOWA. PORTER MADE
NO TELEPHONE CALLS AT HOTEL AND DID NOT INQUIRE AS TO WHERE HE
COULD MAKE A TELEPHONE CALL AWAY FROM HOTEL. PORTER WAS ALONE
AND HAD NO VISITORS WHILE AT HOTEL. PORTER LEFT HOTEL AT ABOUT TEN
A.M. ON FOOT APRIL FOUR, LAST, DIRECTION OF TRAVEL NOT STATED TO
HOTEL PERSONNEL AND UNKNOWN.

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IN ABSENCE OF PHOTO OF PORTER AND SINCE THE PORTER WHO STAYED
AT HOTEL IN VAN HORN FITS DESCRIPTION FURNISHED OF PORTER IN RETEL,
NO FURTHER INVESTIGATION BEING CONDUCTED BY EL PASO RE PORTER.

BIRMINGHAM, KANSAS CITY, OKLAHOMA CITY, OMAHA, ST. LOUIS
ADVISED AIR MAIL.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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407PM URGENT 4-30-68 JRM

TO DIRECTOR (44-38861) AND MEMPHIS
FROM DETROIT (44-989) 1P

MURKIN

DAVID G. FOX, GRADUATE STUDENT, UNIVERSITY OF MICH.,
ANN ARBOR, MICH., ADVISED INSTANT DATE THAT APRIL TWENTY FOUR
LAST WHILE VISITING GUATEMALA HE WAS TOLD BY PAULINO JARQUIN,
OPERATOR OF RESTAURANT CATOC, KILOMETER EIGHTY SEVEN, DEPARTMENT
OF TECTAN, GUATEMALA, THAT JAMES EARL RAY REPORTEDLY IN
CENTRAL AMERICA AND WAS REPORTEDLY SEEN IN GUATEMALA. FOX
STATED HE WAS RECOGNIZED BY JARQUIN AS AN AMERICAN AT WHICH
TIME JARQUIN MADE THE ABOVE STATEMENT. FOX DID NOT QUESTION
JARQUIN ABOUT TIME RAY SEEN IN GUATEMALA OR BY WHOM.

END.

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CABLEGRAM

URGENT

TO LEGAT, MEXICO CITY
FROM DIRECTOR, FBI
MURKIN.

Mexico Investigation
David [initials] - Sub E-488

DETROIT OFFICE HAS ADVISED THAT DAVID GORDON FOX, GRADUATE STUDENT, UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN, ANN ARBOR, MICHIGAN, IS UNABLE TO FURNISH ANY MORE INFORMATION REGARDING HIS CONVERSATION WITH PAULINO JARQUIN, OPERATOR OF RESTAURANT CATOC, KILOMETER EIGHTYSEVEN, DEPARTMENT OF TECTAN, GUATAMALA, THAN WAS ORIGINALLY PROVIDED BY DETROIT. YOU SHOULD REFER TO YOUR FILE ONE HUNDRED DASH TWO NINE EIGHT ONE FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONCERNING DAVID GORDON FOX.

COPY BY MAIL TO MEMPHIS.

① MEMPHIS

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CABLEGRAM

IMMEDIATE

TO: LEGAT, MEXICO CITY
FROM: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
MURKIN

FOLLOWING MESSAGE WAS RECEIVED FROM DETROIT:

DAVID G. FOX, GRADUATE STUDENT, UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN, ANN ARBOR, MICHIGAN, ADVISED APRIL THIRTY, SIXTY-EIGHT THAT APRIL TWENTY-FOUR, SIXTY-EIGHT WHILE VISITING GUATEMALA HE WAS TOLD BY PAULINO JARQUIN, OPERATOR OF RESTAURANT CATOC, KILOMETER EIGHTY-SEVEN, DEPARTMENT OF TECTAN, GUATEMALA, THAT JAMES EARL RAY REPORTEDLY IN CENTRAL AMERICA AND WAS REPORTEDLY SEEN IN GUATEMALA. FOX STATED HE WAS RECOGNIZED BY JARQUIN AS AN AMERICAN AT WHICH TIME JARQUIN MADE THE ABOVE STATEMENT. FOX DID NOT QUESTION JARQUIN ABOUT TIME RAY SEEN IN GUATEMALA OR BY WHOM.

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ARMED AND DANGEROUS. AIR MAIL TO MEMPHIS.

① - SAC, MEMPHIS

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FBI LOS ANG.

9:04PM URGENT 4-30-68 DPK

TO MEMPHIS AND JACKSONVILLE

FROM LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

MURKIN

RE DON MADDOX

RE MEMPHIS TELETYPE APRIL TWENTY FOUR LAST.
ON APRIL TWENTY SIX LAST, MRS. JOYCE SCOTT ADVISED

SHE IS MANAGER OF THE HUT, COSTA MESA, CALIFORNIA, AND RAY
DUNIGAN, A PART OWNER, WOULD BE UNAVAILABLE UNTIL APRIL
THIRTY INSTANT.

ON THIS DATE RAY JAMES DUNIGAN, THREE FOUR ZERO EAST
SIXTEENTH STREET, COSTA MESA, CALIFORNIA, ADVISED DON MADDOX
WAS CLOSELY ASSOCIATED WITH ONE PAUL WILLARD, A MACHINIST
FROM SANTA ANA, CALIFORNIA, KNOWN TO DUNIGAN TO HAVE RESIDED
THERE FOR TWO AND ONE HALF YEARS. DUNIGAN ADVISED MADDOX
AND WILLARD WERE CLOSE FRIENDS UNTIL MADDOX MOVED TO FLORIDA.

DUNIGAN ADVISED PAUL WILLARD IS A WHITE MALE, AGE THIRTY,
FIVE FEET NINE INCHES, AND VERY THIN. HE BEARS NO RESEMBLANCE
TO PHOTOGRAPHS ON WARRANT FLYER FOUR FOUR TWO - A. DUNIGAN
STATED DOES NOT KNOW ANY JOHN WILLARD OR ANYONE RESEMBLING RAY.

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FBI BIRMGHAM

913 PM URGENT 4-30-68 GDM

TO DIRECTOR, ATLANTA, JACKSON, KANSAS CITY, MEMPHIS AND MIAMI
FROM BIRMINGHAM (44-1740) (P)

MURKIN. CR. OO: MEMPHIS.

Sub-H-526

RE ATLANTA TEL TO BIRMINGHAM, BUREAU, AND MEMPHIS, THIS DATE.
SIXTY EIGHT AMERICAN MOTORS REBEL TWO DOOR, RED IN COLOR,
SIXTY EIGHT GA. LICENSE ONE - FOUR FOUR NINE ONE FOUR, VIN A
EIGHT A ONE NINE SEVEN M TWO FOUR EIGHT ONE NINE SEVEN, DETERMINED
TO HAVE BEEN ABANDONED AT BIRMINGHAM MUNICIPAL AIRPORT PARKING
LOT, BETWEEN THE HOURS OF ELEVEN P.M., APR. SEVEN, LAST, AND
SIX A.M., APR. EIGHT, LAST. INTERVIEWS CONDUCTED WITH EMPLOYEES
HERTZ RENT A CAR, BIRMINGAM, ALA., WHO FIRST DISCOVERED VEHICLE
BACKED IN TO WASH RACK, AND ADVISED THAT DUE TO DECAL NUMBER ON
REAR WINDOW AND DOORPOST, THEY IMMEDIATELY NOTICED THIS VEHICLE
TO BE A HERTZ RENT A CAR FROM ATLANTA, GA. EMPLOYEES SAID THAT
VEHICLE DOORS WERE NOT LOCKED; HOWEVER, KEY WAS MISSING FROM
IGNITION AND ONLY ITEM RECALLED IN CAR WAS ONE BOX PARTIALLY
EATEN DONUTS. EMPLOYEES STATED THAT SINCE NO IGNITION KEY

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identifying data.
RB.*

*Memphis
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AVAILABLE, THEY PUSHED THIS VEHICLE OUT OF THE PARKING LOT AND THEREAFTER LOCKED DOORS AND AT NO TIME WAS THIS VEHICLE CLEANED INSIDE OR WASHED ON THE OUTSIDE. THEY WERE UNABLE TO STATE IF THIS VEHICLE HAD BEEN HOTWIRED. INSTANT VEHICLE REMAINED AT HERTZ RENT A CAR, BIRMINGHAM MUNICIPAL AIRPORT, UNTIL APR. TWO SIX, LAST, AT WHICH TIME AN IGNITION KEY WAS OBTAINED FOR VEHICLE AND THEREAFTER CAR RETURNED TO HERTZ RENT A CAR, ATLANTA, GA., HAVING BEEN DRIVEN BY JESSIE SOLAMON, ROUTE ONE, RIVERDALE, GA., MILEAGE OUT FIVE HUNDRED TEN.

INTERVIEWS WITH HERTZ EMPLOYEES DISCLOSED THAT NO PERSONNEL IS EMPLOYED DURING THE HOURS ELEVEN P.M. THROUGH SIX A.M., AND NO INDIVIDUALS OBSERVED INSTANT VEHICLE ARRIVE AT AIRPORT.

ATLANTA WILL IMMEDIATELY LOCATE AND INTERVIEW SALLY WILLIS,
GRAY ADVERTISING, INC., AND DETERMINE FROM HER IF SHE PERSONALLY REMOVED IGNITION KEYS FROM VEHICLE WHEN SHE RETURNED CAR TO ATLANTA AIRPORT WHERE VEHICLE WAS PARKED. ASCERTAIN WHERE SHE LAST LEFT CAR.

DETERMINE FROM HERTZ FULL PARTICULARS CONCERNING PREVIOUS RENTAL AND SPECIFICALLY MILEAGE AT TIME VEHICLE TURNED IN AND
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IF THEY CAN RECALL WHAT HAPPENED TO THE IGNITION KEYS. DETERMINE FROM HERTZ AFTER VEHICLE WAS RETURNED IF IGNITION WAS HOTWIRED.

WILL INTERVIEW JESSIE SOLAMON, ROUTE ONE, RIVERDALE, GA., CONCERNING HIS TRANSPORTING INSTANT VEHICLE BACK TO ATLANTA, AND IF HE NOTED ANY CORRESPONDENCE OR PERSONAL EFFECTS THEREIN.

RE FLIGHTS FROM BIRMINGHAM BETWEEN ELEVEN P.M., APR. SEVEN, LAST, AND SIX NINETEEN A.M., APR. EIGHT, LAST.

DELTA AIRLINES HAS FOUR FLIGHTS: NO. FIVE FIVE, WHICH LEAVES ELEVEN FIVE FIVE P.M., GOING TO MEMPHIS AND KANSAS CITY; NO. ONE FIVE ONE, WHICH LEAVES AT SIX NINETEEN A.M., GOING TO JACKSON, MISS. AND DALLAS; FLIGHT FIVE FOUR, WHICH LEAVES AT THREE FORTY A.M., GOING TO ATLANTA; AND FLIGHT EIGHT ONE EIGHT, WHICH LEAVES ONE FORTY FIVE A.M., GOING TO ATLANTA. ONLY OTHER FLIGHT LEAVING BIRMINGHAM AIRPORT BETWEEN THESE HOURS IS EASTERN FLIGHT SIX SIX TWO, WHICH LEAVES AT TWELVE ZERO ONE A.M., GOING TO ATLANTA, AND EASTERN SIX THREE FIVE, WHICH LEAVES AT FOUR ZERO SEVEN A.M., GOING TO PENSACOLA AND MOBILE. SEVEN PERSONS BOARDED EASTERN FLIGHT SIX SIX TWO AT BIRMINGHAM, AND FOUR BOARDED EASTERN FLIGHT SIX THREE FIVE. NAMES OF THESE PASSENGERS ARE KEPT IN

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RECORDS OF EASTERN REGIONAL OFFICE, MIAMI, ON TICKETS PURCHASED BY THEM.

MIAMI IMMEDIATELY EXAMINE THESE TICKETS, ASCERTAIN IDENTITIES OF PASSENGERS, HOW PAYMENT WAS MADE, IDENTITY OF TICKET AGENT, AND SET OUT LEAD TO HAVE THESE PASSENGERS FULLY IDENTIFIED AND INTERVIEWED TO DETERMINE IF THEY CAN RECOGNIZE RAY AS FELLOW PASSENGER. FULLY IDENTIFY CREW ON EACH FLIGHT AND HAVE THEM INTERVIEWED TO SEE IF THEY CAN IDENTIFY PHOTO OF RAY AS PASSENGER ON EITHER FLIGHT.

ATLANTA, AT DELTA AIRLINES, ATLANTA, CONDUCT SIMILAR INVESTIGATION AS THAT REQUESTED OF MIAMI CONCERNING TICKETS AND CREWS, NOTING FOLLOWING PASSENGERS BOARDED AT BIRMINGHAM:

FLIGHT FIVE FIVE, PASSENGERS GOING TO MEMPHIS WERE VAUGHN, WATSON, NASH, QUINTON, COLLINS; GOING TO KANSAS CITY WAS PASSENGER SLATTERY; CREW CONSISTED OF CAPT. KALLIES, CO-PILOT WIESE, STEWARDESSES SAPPINGTON AND COMPTON, ALL FNU.

PASSENGER (FNU) WEAVER BOARDED FLIGHT ONE FIVE ONE GOING TO JACKSON. OTHER PASSENGERS BOARDING AT BIRMINGHAM LEFT LOCAL TELEPHONE NUMBERS AND BIRMINGHAM WILL IDENTIFY THESE. CREW CONSISTED OF CAPT. MORRISON, CO-PILOT WARREN, STEWARDESSES
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CUNNINGHAM AND POWERS, ALL FNU.

BOARDING FLIGHT FIVE FOUR WERE PASSENGERS DANIEL,
JOHNSON, WESSLEY, JAVIS; CREW CAPT. DAGGETT, CO-PILOT FUNK,
STEWARDESSES REYNOLDS AND WATSON. ALL FNU.

BOARDING FLIGHT EIGHT ONE EIGHT WERE PASSENGERS SANDERS,
NEILON, THOMPSON (A MILITARY PERSONNEL); CREW CAPT. FOSTER,
CO-PILOT HAAS, ENGINEER COUGHMAN, STEWARDESSES PAYNE, LONG,
BERKEY AND JUFFT, ALL FNU..

KANSAS CITY ATTEMPT TO IDENTIFY PASSENGER SLATTERY AND
INTERVIEW TO ASCERTAIN IF IDENTICAL TO RAY OR FELLOW PASSENGER.

MEMPHIS ATTEMPT TO IDENTIFY MEMPHIS PASSENGERS ON FLIGHT
FIVE FIVE, AND CONDUCT SIMILAR INVESTIGATION.

ATLANTA IDENTIFY PASSENGERS LISTED ABOVE GOING TO ATLANTA,
ON FLIGHTS FIVE FOUR AND EIGHT ONE EIGHT.

JACKSON CONDUCT SIMILAR INVESTIGATION CONCERNING PASSENGER
WEAVER ON FLIGHT ONE FIVE ONE.

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4/26/68

AIRTEL

TO: SAC, NEW YORK
FROM: SAC, NEWARK (44-854) (P)
SUBJECT: MURKIN;
RE INFO FURNISHED BY
CHARLES RINDONE CONCERNING
SUSPECT AT ENGLEWOOD, NEW JERSEY

44-1987-808

Re New York teletype to Newark dated 4/25/68.

CHARLES LONNIE COTTON, 152 Elm Street, Englewood, New Jersey, determined not to be JAMES EARL RAY. The following identification was obtained from COTTON:

Name	CHARLES LONNIE COTTON
Home Address	588 Newbury Arch, Norfolk Virginia
Race	White
Sex	Male
Weight	140
Height	5' 9"
Eyes	Blue
Hair	Brown
Social Security Number	[REDACTED]
DOB	[REDACTED]
POB	Norfolk, Va.
Va. Driver's License Number	C15759-46264-006864

COTTON stated that he has been working for CORRETT MONICA at the above address since 4/12/68. Prior to that and during the period of 4/4/68, he was employed by BO BALYN, Deerkill Park, Route 22, Suffern, New York.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
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RE: MURKIN

Re Kansas City teletype to Bureau and St. Louis,
4/26/68.

44-1987-1183
AT ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI

On April 26, 1968, Detectives JOHN LEPPING and EDWARD ALLERS, Fifth District, St. Louis Police Department, advised that there is no actual similarity between LEO HOLDEN PARKER and JAMES EARL RAY. Detective ALLERS advised photo used for identification not touched up, regular mug shot used.

PARKER is known as "Jail House" lawyer and conducted his own defense in his trial.

On April 27, 1968, victim of kidnaping, RITA BROCKELMAN, and GEORGE MC QUADE, JR., now married, both viewed photographs of JAMES EARL RAY and PARKER and stated no discrepancy in identification of PARKER. State RAY is not the person kidnaping them.

Investigation to locate RAY continuing in St. Louis Division.

Subject armed and dangerous

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RE: Employee of
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Rotor #: _____

ACTION DESIRED

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Initial & return

Leads need attention

Return with explanation or notation as to action taken.

Open Case

Prepare lead cards

Prepare tickler

Return assignment card

Return file FILED

Search and return

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Submit new charge out

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Copy of Newark airtel to New York
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John F. Malone

Office

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