

Specimen Q28 is a partial tube of "Colgate" toothpaste, 3.25 ounce size.

The Q29 and Q30 socks are a pair of black knee length synthetic stretch socks. No markings or labels were found on these socks.

The Q31 can of "RIGHT GUARD" deodorant is a 7 ounce size. "M313" is printed in black on the bottom of the can.

Specimen Q32 is a Channel Master radio receiver. A label affixed to the inside of the rear cover indicates that the receiver is Model 6502, 6 transistor, super heterodyne, with a frequency range of 535-1605 Kc/s and operates on a 9-volt battery supply. The words "CHANNEL MASTER CORP." are imprinted on the bottom of the label. The words "HONG KONG" are molded on the outside of the light-colored plastic cover; however, some components are marked "JAPAN." A 9-volt Eveready battery, #216, was connected inside the case. The front of the case is made of polished or plated metal and is stamped "6 TRANSISTOR CHANNEL MASTER." The remainder of the case, about one-third down each side, is maroon-colored plastic. The case measures approximately 4" x 2 3/8" x 1 1/4".

Radio products bearing the Channel Master name are very common.

When received, the dial indicated approximately "10" and was turned to approximately 1020 Kc/s. The tuning range of the receiver is approximately 530 Kc/s to 1660 Kc/s, which covers the regular broadcast band. The receiver was operational when received.

The Q32 radio bears scratches on one end interpreted to read "00416."

The Q33 plastic "BUFFERIN" bottle is a 60-tablet size and contained 10 whole tablets and 2 partial tablets, all bearing the letter "B."

Specimen Q34 is a man's elastic belt bearing Greek or Roman heads on the buckle. The belt is 3/4" wide and 31" long, unstretched. The waist measurement of the wearer could not be determined in view of the type of belt.

Specimen Q35 is a partial tube of "BRYLCREEM" hair dressing, 3 ounce size.

Specimen Q36 is a bottle of "ONE A DAY" vitamins, 25-tablet size. There were 21 tablets in the bottle.

Specimen Q37 is a small hotel-size bar of "Cashmere Bouquet" soap.

Specimen Q38 is a clear plastic hairbrush with white synthetic bristles. "U.S.A." has been molded to the underside of the handle.

The Q39 bar of "dial" soap is a 4 7/8 ounce size and has the price "2/45¢" stamped on one end in blue ink.

The Q40 tube of "Head & Shoulders" shampoo is a 2.7 ounce size. It bears a price label with "LIGGETT-REXALL 1678 1.10" on the side.

The Q41 can of "KIWI" brown boot polish is a 1 1/8 ounce size. Some of the polish has been used.

A price tag on the Q42 can of "PALMOLIVE RAPID-SHAVE" menthol shaving cream bears "LIGGETT-REXALL 3478 .79."

Nothing of significance was noted about the Q43, Q44 or Q63 buttons; however, they are suitable for comparison with other buttons present on suspect garments.

Specimen Q45 is a used red-handled "Pepsodent" brand toothbrush. "U.S.A. M K5" is present on the underside of Q45.

The Q46 razor is a "Gillette" make and has no blade in it.

A price tag is on the Q47 3.75 ounce bottle of "MENNEN afta" after shave and skin conditioner lotion bearing "\$1.00 PLS TAX." "202x" is printed in blue ink on the bottom of Q47.

Specimen Q48 is a small bar of "Cameo" soap manufactured by the Brunswick Soap Company, Brooklyn, New York.

Specimen Q49 is a small bar of "Cashmere Bouquet" soap, a product of Colgate-Palmolive Company, New York. A shield with "Member Friendship Inns" has been printed on the wrapper.

The Q50 and Q51 bobby pins are light brown colored, common pins.

Specimens Q52 and Q53 are full cans of Schlitz beer. "MISSISSIPPI TAX PAID 4 CENTS" has been printed in black on the bottom of each can. "03 has been stamped into the 158" metal in the bottom of each can. Both cans are alike. These cans were found attached to the Q54 carrying device in the Q55 paper bag.

Nothing of apparent significance was noted about the 4"by 6" brown paper Q56 bag.

The Q57 key fits the lock on the Q15 zipper bag and probably belongs to this bag.

Specimen Q58 is a common, round, used toothpick.

The metal split ring, Q59, has overlapping ends. It appears to be the type of ring that new keys are attached to.

Nothing of significance was noted about the Q60 and Q61 coat hangers.

Specimen Q62 is a two-link portion of an "ADJUST-O" silver-colored watchband. The links may be compared with the watchband should same be recovered.

The Q69 undershorts and the Q70 T shirt each bears a laundry tag with what appears to be the characters "02B-6." Only a portion of the first character is present on each tag. The Laboratory does not maintain a file of visible laundry marks. No invisible laundry marks were found on the undershorts or T shirt.

The pair of undershorts is small in size while the T shirt is large.

The pair of undershorts does not have a brand label. The T shirt has a "JOCKEY" brand label.

The T shirt label is held flat with a folded piece of 3/4" wide cellophane tape. The piece of tape is about 1" long. One end has been cut, and the other end has been torn.

The crotch seams of the undershorts have been repaired in two places with brown thread. The repaired areas are hand stitched.

The Q209 strap, which appears new, measures 37 1/2" in length. This strap fits the strap guides on the Q14 binoculars and could be the strap for Q14. No strap is presently on Q14.

A short hand strap is presently on the Q22 binoculars case. The Q210 strap has the same appearance as the hand strap on Q22 except that it is longer. Specimen Q210 could be the shoulder strap for the Q22 case. The Q210 strap appears new and measures 37" in length.

No marks to indicate source were found on Q213. The Q213 pin appears to be a patriotic emblem.

There is a large hole in the right front portion of the collar of the Q76 shirt. The Q77 necktie has been forcibly torn apart in the right front neck portion also. The object or objects causing the damage were larger than a bullet of .30 caliber size and irregular in shape as all of the yarns were broken, not cut. One or more segments of bone could not be eliminated as the cause of the damage.

The right lapel of the Q78 coat has three damaged areas on the surface of the fabric. These areas have been torn by some object or objects, but the damage does not extend through the lapel. The torn areas vary from 1/4" to 1" in length and the condition of the yarns indicates the object or objects struck the coat from above and probably glanced off the coat.

Due to the sizes and ragged edges of the damaged areas of the Q76 shirt, Q77 necktie and Q78 suit coat, it was not possible to recognize any bullet holes or to

determine from visual examination whether or not a bullet or any bullet fragments had passed through or struck these items.

No bullet holes were found in Q79 through Q85.

The edges of the hole torn in the Q76 shirt collar, the edges of the three tears on the collar of the Q78 suit coat and the material near the ends of the Q77 necktie were contaminated with traces of lead which could have come from a bullet or from bullet fragments. The lead contamination of these items could not be associated with a particular bullet or lead source.

FINGERPRINT EXAMINATION

Specimens Q1 through Q63, Q69, Q70, Q209, Q210, Q213, and ten transparent lifts of latent prints from room at 420 South Main Street examined and latent prints of value found or developed as follows:

- One palm print on black rifle box, Q1
- One fingerprint on side of rifle, Q2
- One fingerprint on telescopic sight on rifle, Q2
- One fingerprint on binoculars, Q14
- One fingerprint on front page of newspaper, Q19
- One fingerprint on after shave lotion bottle, part of Q24
- One fingerprint on Schlitz beer can, Q53
- One fingerprint on lift marked in part "Lifted from Dresser top"
- One fingerprint on lift marked in part "Rt. side of fireplace (front)"

No other latent impressions of value found or developed.

The latent fingerprint on the rifle, Q2, the latent fingerprint on the telescopic sight of the rifle, Q2, the latent fingerprint on the binoculars, Q14, the latent fingerprint on the newspaper, Q19, the latent fingerprint on the after shave lotion bottle, part of Q24, and the latent fingerprint on the Schlitz beer can, Q53, have all been identified as fingerprints of JAMES EARL RAY, FBI#405942G.

The latent palm print on the rifle box, Q1 has been identified as the right palm print of Birmingham gun store clerk Donald F. Wood. The latent fingerprint on the lift marked in part "Lifted from Dresser top" has been identified as a fingerprint of Memphis police officer Glynn King.

The remaining latent fingerprint is not identical with the fingerprints of RAY or with the fingerprints submitted for elimination purposes. Photographs of this latent fingerprint are being retained in our files for any additional comparisons you may desire.

DISPOSITION OF EVIDENCE

The submitted evidence will be returned to you by our Memphis Office.

REPORT
of theFEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

Date: April 30, 1968

FBI File No. 44-38861

Re: MURKIN
CR

Lab. No. D-661771 JK

Specimens received 4/22/68

Q203 Air Mail envelope postmarked "LOS ANGELES, CALIF. 48 PM 20 APR 1968" bearing typewritten address "TERRY MURKIN, 6015 WILSHIRE BL., LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA. 90048" and typewritten return address "ERIC S. GALT, 2225 MILLWOOD, N.E., HOLLYWOOD, CALIF. 90027."

Q204 Autographing sheet of paper bearing typewritten message dated 2/22/68, signed "Eric S. Galt"

Result of examination:

The typewritten impressions appearing on Q203 and Q204 are the same style as those appearing on items previously submitted in this case attributed to Eric S. Galt. Because of the lack of identifying defects, it could not be definitely determined whether the same typewriter was used in producing Q203 and Q204 and the other items submitted, but no significant differences were noted.

It was concluded that the "Eric S. Galt" signature on Q204 was prepared by the writer of the signature in this case appearing on numerous other specimens previously received.

Q203 and Q204 are temporarily retained. Photographs were made.

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REPORT
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WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

Date: April 30, 1968

Re: MURKIN
CR

FBI File No. 44-38861

Lab. No. D-561771 JK

Specimens received 4/29/68

Q293 Air Mail envelope postmarked "LOS ANGELES, CALIF. 4B PM 26 FEB 1968" bearing typewritten address "TIFFANY ENTERPRISES, 8512 WHITWORTH DR. LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, 90035 " and typewritten return address "ERIC S. GALT 5533-HOLLYWOOD, BLVD. HOLLYWOOD: CALIF. 90028."

Q294 Accompanying sheet of paper bearing typewritten message dated 2/26/68, signed "Eric S. Galt"

Result of examination:

The typewritten impressions appearing on Q293 and Q294 are the same style as those appearing on items previously submitted in this case attributed to Eric S. Galt. Because of the lack of identifying defects, it could not be definitely determined whether the same typewriter was used in preparing Q293 and Q294 and the other items submitted, but no significant differences were noted.

It was concluded that the "Eric S. Galt" signature on Q294 was prepared by the writer of the signature in this name appearing on numerous other specimens previously received.

Q293 and Q294 are temporarily retained. Photographs were made.

Handwritten initials, possibly 'JH' or 'JL', in dark ink.

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**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535**

To: **FBI, Memphis (44-1987)**

Date: **April 30, 1968**

Re: **MURKIN
CR
OO: Memphis**

J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No. **44-38861**
Lab. No. **D-561771 JK**

Examination requested by: **Los Angeles**
Reference: **Airtel 4/26/68**
Examination requested: **Document - Fingerprint**
Remarks:

**You will be advised separately regarding the
results of the fingerprint examination and disposition of Q293 and
Q294.**

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2 - Los Angeles (44-1574) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

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**REPORT
of the****FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535**To: **FBI, Memphis (44-1987)**Date: **May 1, 1968**Re: **MURKIN
CR**FBI File No. **44-38861**Lab. No. **D-561775 JK**Specimens received **4/29/68**

K211 Various documents comprising thirty-four pieces of paper bearing purported known handwriting and hand printing of JAMES EARL RAY, obtained from his file at Missouri State Penitentiary

Result of examination:

It was concluded that the questioned hand printing appearing on items attributed to Eric S. Galt was prepared by JAMES EARL RAY, K171 and K211.

Because of the presence of characteristics which cannot be explained on the basis of the known handwriting of JAMES EARL RAY, it cannot be definitely determined whether the "Harvey Lowmyer" signature on Q72 was prepared by this individual; however, significant handwriting similarities were noted.

Specimen K211 has been photographed and is temporarily retained.

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REPORT
of theFEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

Date: May 1, 1968

Re: MURKIN
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FBI File No. 44-38861

Lab. No. D-561775 JK

Specimens received 4/29/68

K211 Various documents comprising thirty-four pieces of paper bearing purported known handwriting and hand printing of JAMES EARL RAY, obtained from his file at Missouri State Penitentiary

Result of examination:

It was concluded that the questioned hand printing appearing on items attributed to Eric S. Galt was prepared by JAMES EARL RAY, K171 and K211.

Because of the presence of characteristics which cannot be explained on the basis of the known handwriting of JAMES EARL RAY, it cannot be definitely determined whether the "Harvey Lowmyer" signature on Q72 was prepared by this individual; however, significant handwriting similarities were noted.

Specimen K211 has been photographed and is temporarily retained.

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**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535**

To: **FBI, Memphis (44-1987)**

Date: **May 1, 1968**

Re: **MURKIN
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OO: Memphis**

J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No. **44-38861**
Lab. No. **D-561775 JK**

Examination requested by: **Kansas City**
Reference: **Airtel 4/27/68**
Examination requested: **Document**
Remarks:

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- 2 - Kansas City (44-760) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)
- 1 - Birmingham (44-1740) Enclosure (Lab report)
- 1 - Atlanta (44-2386) Enclosure (Lab report)
- 1 - Los Angeles (44-1574) Enclosure (Lab report)

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**REPORT
of the****FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535**To: **FBI, Memphis (44-1987)**Date: **May 1, 1968**Re: **MURKIN
CR**FBI File No. **44-38861**Lab. No. **D-561857 JK
D-561858 JK
D-561817 JK**Specimens received **4/29/68, from FBI, Jacksonville****K212 Piece of cloth containing fourteen samples of laundry
tape obtained from Tillman Laundry and Cleaners,
Jacksonville, Florida**Specimen received **4/29/68, from FBI, Charlotte****K213 Eight sample laundry tapes obtained from two
Thermo-Seal machines located at Canton Laundry,
Canton, North Carolina**Specimen received **4/29/68, from FBI, Tampa****K214 Three sample laundry tapes obtained from Winter Park
Laundry, Winter Park, Florida****Result of examination:**

Differences were noted between the laundry tags represented by K212, K213 and K214 when compared with the laundry tags appearing on Q97 and Q99, but the lack of significant characteristics precluded a definite determination regarding these specimens.

K212, K213 and K214 have been retained.*44-1987-Sub H-168*

REPORT
of theFEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535To: **FBI, Memphis (44-1987)**Date: **May 1, 1968**Re: **MURKIN
CR**FBI File No. **44-38861**Lab. No. **D-561887 JK
D-561888 JK
D-561817 JK**Specimens received **4/28/68, from FBI, Jacksonville****K212** Piece of cloth containing fourteen samples of laundry tags obtained from William Laundry and Cleaners, Jacksonville, FloridaSpecimen received **4/28/68, from FBI, Charlotte****K213** Eight sample laundry tags obtained from two Thomas-Seal machines located at Canton Laundry, Canton, North CarolinaSpecimen received **4/28/68, from FBI, Tampa****K214** Three sample laundry tags obtained from Winter Park Laundry, Winter Park, Florida**Result of examination:**

Differences were noted between the laundry tags represented by **K212**, **K213** and **K214** when compared with the laundry tags appearing on **Q97** and **Q98**, but the lack of significant characteristics precluded a definite determination regarding these specimens.

K212, K213 and K214 have been retained.

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**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
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To: **FBI, Memphis (44-1987)**

Date: **May 1, 1968**

Re: **MURKIN
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OO: Memphis**

J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No. **44-38861**
Lab. No. **D-561857 JK
D-561858 JK
D-561817 JK**

Examination requested by: **Tampa, Charlotte,
Jacksonville**

Reference:

Airtels, 4/26/68

Examination requested:

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Remarks:

Negative

Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

- 1 - Tampa (157-3231) Enclosure (Lab report)**
- 1 - Charlotte (44-1365) Enclosure (Lab report)**
- 1 - Jacksonville (44-769) Enclosure (Lab report)**

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**REPORT
of the****FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535**To: **FBI, Memphis (44-1987)**Date: **May 1, 1968**Re: **MURKIN
CR**FBI File No. **44-38861**Lab. No. **D-561772 JK****D-561773 JK****D-561774 JK**Specimens received **4/27/68**, from **FBI, Tampa**

K208 Four sheets of ruled paper each containing samples of laundry tapes obtained from four Thermo-Seal machines located at Oak Park Cleaners, Tampa, Florida

Specimen received **4/29/68**, from **FBI, San Francisco**

K209 Three pieces of white cloth containing sample of laundry tapes obtained from Economy Cleaners, San Carlos, California (three different Thermo-Seal machines)

Specimen received **4/28/68**, from **FBI, San Francisco**

K210 Four pieces of cloth containing a total of sixteen laundry tapes obtained from Deluxe Laundry, Oakland, California

Result of examination:

It was concluded that the questioned laundry tapes appearing on Q97 and Q99 were not prepared by the machine with serial number 30942 (a portion of K210) or the machine with serial number 32667 (a portion of K209). Differences were noted between the questioned laundry tags and the other known specimens but the lack of significant differences precluded a definite opinion from being reached.

The submitted items described above have been retained.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: **FBI, Memphis (44-1987)**

Date: **May 1, 1968**

FBI File No. **44-38861**

Re: **MURKIN
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Lab. No. **D-561772 JE
D-561773 JE
D-561774 JK**

Specimens received **4/27/68, from FBI, Tampa**

K208 Four sheets of ruled paper each containing samples of laundry tapes obtained from four Thermo-Seal machines located at Oak Park Cleaners, Tampa, Florida

Specimen received 4/22/68, from FBI, San Francisco

K209 Three pieces of white cloth containing sample of laundry tapes obtained from Economy Cleaners, San Carlos, California (three different Thermo-Seal machines)

Specimen received 4/22/68, from FBI, San Francisco

K210 Four pieces of cloth containing a total of sixteen laundry tapes obtained from Deluxe Laundry, Oakland, California

Result of examination:

It was concluded that the questioned laundry tapes appearing on Q87 and Q88 were not prepared by the machine with serial number 30942 (a portion of K210) or the machine with serial number 32657 (a portion of K209). Differences were noted between the questioned laundry tags and the other known specimens but the lack of significant differences precluded a definite opinion from being reached.

The submitted items described above have been retained.

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**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535**

To: **FBI, Memphis (44-1987)**

Date: **May 1, 1968**

Re: **MURKIN
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OO: Memphis**

J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No. **44-38861**
Lab. No. **D-561772 JK
D-561773 JK
D-561774 JK**

Examination requested by: **Tampa, San Francisco**

Reference: **4/26/68, Airtels**

Examination requested: **Document**

Remarks:

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Enclosures **(2) (2 Lab report)**

1 - San Francisco (173-65) Enclosure (Lab report)

1 - Tampa (157-3231) Enclosure (Lab report)

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**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535**

To: **FBI, Memphis (44-1987)**

Date: **May 2, 1968**

Re: **MURKIN
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OO: Memphis**

J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No. **44-38861**
Lab. No. **D-560794 JK**

Examination requested by: **Louisville**

Reference: **Airtel 4/13/68**

Examination requested: **Document**

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~~xxxxx~~ Specimens received 4/15/68

**K156 Two Special Attention tags manufactured by Stry-Lenkoff
Company, Louisville, Ky.**

**K157 Two color samples of paper used in manufacture of tags
by Stry-Lenkoff Company**

Remarks:

Referenced Louisville airtel submitted samples of
paper tags obtained from the Stry-Lenkoff Company, Louisville,
Kentucky, similar to one of the tags recovered in the Mustang
automobile of Galt in Atlanta, Georgia.

The specimens have been retained for possible future
comparisons.

No Laboratory report is being submitted.

1 - Louisville (44-947)

1 - Chicago (44-1114)

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**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535**

To: **FBI, Memphis (44-1987)**

Date: **May 2, 1968**

Re: **MURKIN
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OO: Memphis**

J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No. **44-38861**
Lab. No. **D-560794 JK**

Examination requested by: **Louisville**

Reference: **Airtel 4/13/68**

Examination requested: **Document**

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Remarks: **Specimens received 4/15/68**

K156 Two Special Attention tags manufactured by Stry-Lenkoff Company, Louisville, Ky.

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Remarks:

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**REPORT
of the****FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535**To: **FBI, Memphis (44-1987)**Date: **May 2, 1968**Re: **MURKIN
CR**FBI File No. **44-38861**Lab. No. **D-561869 JK**Specimens received **4/30/68**

Q296 White envelope postmarked "LOS ANGELES CALIF. PM 24 APR 1968" bearing typewritten address "FBI 1340 West 6th Street Los Angeles, Calif."

Q297 Piece of paper to which is attached a mailing address sticker for "Mr. Eric S. Galt 1535 N. Serrano L. A. 90027"

Result of examination:

Specimens Q296 and Q297 were searched through the appropriate sections of the Anonymous Letter File but could not be identified with any prior submissions to this file.

The typewritten impressions on Q296 and Q297 differ from each other and from those impressions appearing on items received in this case attributed to Eric S. Galt.

Q296 and Q297 are temporarily retained. Photographs were made.

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**REPORT
of the**



**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535**

To: **FBI, Memphis (44-1987)**

Date: **May 2, 1968**

Re: **MURKIN
CR**

FBI File No. **44-38861**

Lab. No. **D-551222 JK**

Specimens received **4/30/68**

Q206 White envelope postmarked "LOS ANGELES CALIF. PM 04
APR 1968" bearing typewritten address "FBI 1240 West
6th Street Los Angeles, Calif."

Q207 Piece of paper to which is attached a mailing address
sticker for "Mr. Eric S. Galt 1235 N. Harrison L. A.
90007"

Result of examination:

Specimens Q206 and Q207 were searched through the
appropriate sections of the Anonymous Letter File but could
not be identified with any prior submissions to this file.

The typewritten impressions on Q206 and Q207 differ
from each other and from those impressions appearing on items
received in this case attributed to Eric S. Galt.

Q206 and Q207 are temporarily retained. Photographs
were made.

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**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535**

To: **FBI, Memphis (44-1987)**

Date: **May 2, 1968**

Re: **MURKIN
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OO: Memphis**

J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No. **44-38861**
Lab. No. **D-561869 JK**

Examination requested by: **Los Angeles**

Reference: **Airtel 4/26/68**

Examination requested: **Document - Fingerprint**

Remarks:

**You will be advised separately regarding the
results of the fingerprint examination and disposition of
Q296 and Q297.**

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2 - Los Angeles (44-1574) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

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**REPORT
of the****FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535**To: **FBI, Memphis (44-1987)**Date: **May 31 1968**Re: **MURKIN
CR**FBI File No. **44-38861**Lab. No. **D-562099 JK**Specimens received **5/1/68**

Q302 White envelope postmarked "OMAHA, NB APR 26 AM"
bearing handwritten address "F B I Omaha Neb."

Q303 Accompanying sheet of ruled paper bearing handwritten
message beginning "James Earle Rays girl..."

Result of examination:

Specimens Q302 and Q303 were searched through the appropriate sections of the Anonymous Letter File but could not be identified with any prior submissions to this file.

No indented writing, watermarks or other identifying features were noted on either Q302 or Q303.

It was concluded that the questioned writing on these items was not prepared by JAMES EARL RAY, K171 and K211.

The submitted material will be returned separately.
Photographs are retained.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: **FBI, Memphis (44-1987)**Date: **May 3, 1968**
FBI File No. **44-38861**
Lab. No. **D-162089 JK**Re: **MURKIN
CR**Specimens received **5/1/68****Q302** White envelope postmarked "SHAWA, MO APR 26 AM"
bearing handwritten address "F B I Omaha Neb;"**Q303** Accompanying sheet of ruled paper bearing handwritten
message beginning "James Earl Ray's girl..."**Results of examination:**

Specimens Q302 and Q303 were searched through the appropriate sections of the Anonymous Letter File but could not be identified with any prior submissions to this file.

No indented writing, watermarks or other identifying features were noted on either Q302 or Q303.

It was concluded that the questioned writing on these items was not prepared by JAMES EARL RAY, KITT and KILL.

The submitted material will be returned separately. Photographs are retained.

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**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535**

To: **FBI, Memphis (44-1987)**

Date: **May 3, 1968**

Re: **MURKIN
CR
OO: Memphis**

J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No. **44-38861**
Lab. No. **D-562099 JK**

Examination requested by: **Omaha**

Reference: **Airtel 4/30/68**

Examination requested: **Document - Fingerprint**

Remarks:

**You will be separately advised regarding the
results of the fingerprint examination and disposition of
Q302 and Q303.**

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2 - Omaha (44-310) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

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WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: FBI, Los Angeles (44-1574)
Re: MURKIN
CR

Date: May 3, 1968
FBI File No. 44-38861
Lab. No. D-562013 JK

Specimens received 4/30/68

- Q300 Envelope postmarked "LOS ANGELES CALIF. 4A PM APR 22 1968" bearing typewritten address "Editor, Citizens News, 1545 N. Wilcox, Hollywood, Calif. 90028" and return address "James E. Ray, Far Away"
- Q301 Accompanying clipping captioned "88 Days in a Red Prison" which appears to have been smeared with a fecal material and bears on the reverse side typewriting beginning "The Citizens News has. . ."

Result of examination:

It was determined that the typewriting on Q300 and Q301 is not identical to typewriting on material previously submitted in this case attributable to Eric S. Galt.

Q300 and Q301 were searched in the Anonymous Letter File without effecting an identification. Copies have been added to this file for future reference. The typewriting on these specimens most closely resembles Corona pica style of type spaced ten to the inch. The submitted material was examined for watermarks and indented writing with negative results.

Q300 and Q301 have been photographed and are being returned to Los Angeles separately.

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**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535**

To: **FBI, Los Angeles (44-1574)**

Date: **May 3, 1968**

Re: **MURKIN
CR**

OO: **Memphis**

J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No. **44-38861**
Lab. No. **D-562013 JK**

Examination requested by: **Los Angeles**

Reference: **Airtel 4/26/68**

Examination requested: **Document - Fingerprint**

Remarks:

**A separate report is being furnished on the latent
fingerprint examination and the disposition of Q300 and Q301.**

Negative

Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)
① - Memphis (44-1987) Enclosure (Lab report)

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**REPORT
of the****FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535**To: **FBI, Memphis (44-1987)**Date: **May 1, 1968**Re: **MURKIN
CR**FBI File No. **44-38861**Lab. No. **D-561288 JK
PC-A5960 IZ**Specimens received **4/22/68**

K207 Laundry list No. 3065, containing one sample laundry tape obtained from Home Service Laundry and Dry Cleaners, Los Angeles, California

ALSO SUBMITTED: Spiral notebook, ledger sheets, tablet and University Notebook all containing laundry records

Result of examination:

The K207 laundry tapes is similar to the Q69 and Q70 laundry tapes in color, construction and composition. The K207 tape measures 1/4 inch by 1 1/8 inches. The Q69 and Q70 tapes measure 1/4 inch by 1 1/16 inches.

The size of type and printing characteristics of K207 are similar to those on Q69, Q70 and K10 indicating that all may have been prepared by the same machine. The lack of significant identifying features precluded a definite conclusion from being reached.

The submitted material is temporarily retained.

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REPORT
of theFEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535To: **FBI, Memphis (44-1987)**Re: **MURKIN
CS**Date: **May 1, 1968**
FBI File No. **44-38861**
Lab. No. **D-561288 JK**
PC-A5960 IZSpecimens received **4/22/68****K207 Laundry list No. 3065, containing one sample laundry tape obtained from Home Service Laundry and Dry Cleaners, Los Angeles, California****ALSO SUBMITTED: Spiral notebook, ledger sheets, tablet and University Notebook all containing laundry records****Result of examination:**

The K207 laundry tape is similar to the Q69 and Q70 laundry tapes in color, construction and composition. The K207 tape measures 1/4 inch by 1 1/8 inches. The Q69 and Q70 tapes measure 1/4 inch by 1 1/16 inches.

The size of type and printing characteristics of K207 are similar to those on Q69, Q70 and K10 indicating that all may have been prepared by the same machine. The lack of significant identifying features precluded a definite conclusion from being reached.

The submitted material is temporarily retained.

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REPORT
of theFEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535To: **FBI, Buffalo (44-374)**Date: **May 6, 1968**Re: **MURKIN
CR**FBI File No. **44-38861**Lab. No. **D-562101 JK**Specimens received **5/2/68**

Q304 White envelope postmarked "ROCHESTER, N.Y. 1A PM 17
APR 1968" bearing typewritten address "MRS. GROOMS
ROCHESTER TIMES-UNION ROCHESTER, N. Y."

Q305 Accompanying piece of paper bearing typewritten message
beginning "MRS. GROOMS - I READ...."

Result of examination:

It was concluded that the typewriting on Q304 and
Q305 is not identical to typewriting appearing on material
attributable to Eric S. Galt, previously submitted in this case.

Q304 and Q305 were searched in the Anonymous Letter
File without effecting an identification. Copies have been
added to this file for future reference.

Except for the printing "FREE PARKING" on the reverse
side of Q305, no watermarks, indented writing or other
identifying characteristics were noted on the submitted material
by which the source of these specimens could be definitely deter-
mined.

Q304 and Q305 have been photographed and are being
returned to Buffalo separately.

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**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535**

To: **FBI, Memphis (44-1987)**

Date: **May 1, 1968**

Re: **MURKIN
CR
OO: Memphis**

J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No. **44-38861**
Lab. No. **D-561288 JK
PC-A5960 IZ**

Examination requested by: **Los Angeles**

Reference: **Airtel 4/12/68**

Examination requested: **Document - Microscopic**

Remarks:

In view of the elimination of Jerome Vernon as a suspect in this matter, the items designated in the attached report as K207 and ALSO SUBMITTED were not treated for latent fingerprints.

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Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

2 - Los Angeles (44-1574) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

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**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535**

To: **FBI, Buffalo (44-374)**

Date: **May 6, 1968**

Re: **MURKIN
CR
OO: Memphis**

J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No. **44-38861**
Lab. No. **D-562101 JK**

Examination requested by: **Buffalo**
Reference: **Airtel 4/29/68**
Examination requested: **Document - Fingerprint**
Remarks:

**A separate report is being furnished on the latent
fingerprint examination and return of Q304 and Q305.**

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Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

① - Memphis (44-1987) Enclosure (Lab report)

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REPORT
of theFEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

Date: May 8, 1968

Re: MURKIN
CR

FBI File No. 44-38861

Lab. No. D-562360 JK

Specimens received 5/3/68

- Q315 Sheet of paper bearing typewritten message dated 2/17/68, beginning "I AM ANSERING..." and signed "Eric S. Galt"
- Q316 Typewritten advertisement beginning "SINGLE MALE CAUC. 36..." bearing typewritten name and address "ERIC S. GALT, 406 SO 2nd. ALHAMBRA. 91802"

ALSO SUBMITTED: One copy of the 2/2/68 issue of the
"Los Angeles Free Press"

Result of examination:

The typewritten impressions on Q315 and Q316 are the same as the impressions appearing on other typewritten items in the name Eric S. Galt which were previously submitted. Because of the lack of identifying defects, it could not be determined whether the same typewriter was employed to prepare the current and previous submissions, but no significant differences were noted.

The Eric S. Galt signature on Q315 was prepared by the individual who prepared the signature in this name appearing on numerous other items received.

The submitted material is temporarily retained.
Photographs were made.

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REPORT
of theFEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535To: **FBI, Memphis (44-1987)**Date: **May 8, 1968**Re: **MURKIN
CR**FBI File No. **44-38861**
Lab. No. **D-562360 JK**Specimens received **5/3/68****Q315** Sheet of paper bearing typewritten message dated 2/17/68, beginning "I AM ANSWERING..." and signed "Eric S. Galt"**Q316** Typewritten advertisement beginning "SINGLE MALE CAUC. 36:::" bearing typewritten name and address "ERIC S. GALT, 406 SO 2nd. ALHAMBRA. 91802"**ALSO SUBMITTED:** One copy of the 2/2/68 issue of the "Los Angeles Free Press"**Result of examination:**

The typewritten impressions on Q315 and Q316 are the same as the impressions appearing on other typewritten items in the name Eric S. Galt which were previously submitted. Because of the lack of identifying defects, it could not be determined whether the same typewriter was employed to prepare the current and previous submissions, but no significant differences were noted.

The Eric S. Galt signature on Q315 was prepared by the individual who prepared the signature in this name appearing on numerous other items received.

The submitted material is temporarily retained:
Photographs were made.

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**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535**

To: **FBI, Memphis (44-1987)**

Date: **May 8, 1968**

Re: **MURKIN
CR
OO: Memphis**

J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No. **44-38861**
Lab. No. **D-562360 JK**

Examination requested by: **Los Angeles**
Reference: **Airtel 5/2/68**
Examination requested: **Document - Fingerprint**
Remarks:

You will be advised separately regarding the results of the fingerprint examination and disposition of the evidence.

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Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

2 - Los Angeles (44-1574) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

1 - Atlanta (44-2386) Enclosure (Lab report)

1 - Birmingham (44-1740) Enclosure (Lab report)

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WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535**To: **FBI, Memphis (44-1987)**Date: **May 8, 1968**Re: **MURKIN
CR**FBI File No. **44-38861**Lab. No. **D-562332 JK**Specimens received **5/4/68**

Q312 White envelope postmarked "Los Angeles May 1 1968 PM" addressed to "Editor in chief The Los Angeles Times Newspaper Los Angeles, California"

Q313 Accompanying one-page typewritten letter beginning "Dear Editor, By the time..." ending "...never kill again." signed "James Ray"

K252 Los Angeles, California, Police Department Booking Card bearing known handwriting of **JAMES EARL RAY**

Result of examination:

The typewritten impressions on Q312 and Q313 are not identical with the typewritten impressions appearing on items previously received in this matter in the name Eric S. Galt.

Although significant handwriting differences were noted between the "James Ray" signature on Q313 when compared with the available known signatures of James Earl Ray, because a portion of the questioned signature is overwritten and because of the limited nature of the questioned writing involved, a definite opinion could not be reached as to whether the questioned signature on Q313 was prepared by Ray.

No watermarks, indented writing or other identifying features were noted on Q312 and Q313 which might indicate their immediate source.

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Specimens Q312 and Q313 were searched in the Anonymous Letter File without effecting an identification. Photographs will be added to this file for future reference.

The spelling, punctuation and typing habits of the individual who prepared Q312 and Q313 were found at variance with similar aspects of typewritten material previously received in the name Eric S. Galt and also in the known handwriting of JAMES EARL RAY.

The submitted evidence has been photographed and is returned herewith.

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REPORT
of theFEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

Date: May 6, 1968

Re: MURKIN
CR

FBI File No. 44-38861

Lab. No. D-552332 J1

Specimens received 5/4/68

- Q312 White envelope postmarked "Los Angeles May 1 1968 PM" addressed to "Editor in chief The Los Angeles Times Newspaper Los Angeles, California"
- Q313 Accompanying one-page typewritten letter beginning "Dear Editor, By the time..." ending "...never kill again." signed "James Ray"
- K252 Los Angeles, California, Police Department Booking Card bearing known handwriting of JAMES EARL RAY

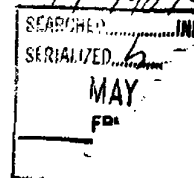
Result of examination:

The typewritten impressions on Q312 and Q313 are not identical with the typewritten impressions appearing on items previously received in this matter in the name Eric S. Galt.

Although significant handwriting differences were noted between the "James Ray" signature on Q313 when compared with the available known signatures of James Earl Ray, because a portion of the questioned signature is overwritten and because of the limited nature of the questioned writing involved, a definite opinion could not be reached as to whether the questioned signature on Q313 was prepared by Ray.

No watermarks, indented writing or other identifying features were noted on Q312 and Q313 which might indicate their immediate source.

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Specimens Q312 and Q313 were searched in the Anonymous Letter File without effecting an identification. Photographs will be added to this file for future reference.

The spelling, punctuation and typing habits of the individual who prepared Q312 and Q313 were found at variance with similar aspects of typewritten material previously received in the name Eric S. Galt and also in the known handwriting of JAMES EARL RAY.

The submitted evidence has been photographed and is returned herewith.

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**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535**

To: **FBI, Memphis (44-1987)**

Date: **May 8, 1968**

Re: **MURKIN
CR
OO: Memphis**

J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No. **44-38861**
Lab. No. **D-562322 JK**

Examination requested by: **Los Angeles**

Reference: **Airtel 5/3/68**

Examination requested: **Document - Fingerprint**

Remarks:

You will be advised separately regarding the results of the latent fingerprint examination.

This report confirms and supplements Bureau teletype to Los Angeles and Memphis dated 5/4/68.

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Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

**2 - Los Angeles Enclosures (5) (Q312, Q313, K252, 2 Lab report)
(44-1574)**

1 - Atlanta (44-2386) Enclosure (Lab report)

1 - Birmingham (44-1740) Enclosure (Lab report)

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of the****FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535**To: **FBI, Memphis (44-1987)**Date: **May 8, 1968**Re: **MURKIN
CR**FBI File No. **44-38861**Lab. No. **D-562197 JK**Specimens received **5/2/68**

- Q308** Envelope with embossed 6 cent stamp postmarked "SANDUSKY OH APR 22 PM 1968" bearing hand printed address "POST MASTER PELEE - ISLAND ONTARIO CANADA"
- Q309** Unstamped envelope bearing hand printed address "CHIEF OF POLICE MEMPHIS, TENN."
- Q310** Sheet of paper bearing hand printed message beginning "DEAR - SIR - I UNDERSTAND..."

ALSO SUBMITTED: Envelope postmarked in Canada, addressed to "Federal Bureau of Investigation, Sandusky, Ohio, three coins, (one quarter and two nickels)

Result of examination:

Specimens Q308, Q309 and Q310 were searched in the appropriate sections of the Anonymous Letter File but could not be identified with any prior submissions to this file.

The hand printing on the specimens received is too distorted for a satisfactory comparison with pertinent material in the "MURKIN" case and other letters of a similar type as Q310 which have been received; however, differences were noted.

A few isolated words were discerned on Q310 as indented impressions. An impression of the name or word "Witler" or "Ditler" was also noted. A photograph depicting these impressions is enclosed for Cleveland. No other identifying features were noted on the items received.

Q308, Q309 and Q310 are temporarily retained.

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**REPORT
of the**



**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535**

To: **FBI, Memphis (44-1987)**

Date: **May 8, 1968**

Re: **MURKIN
CR**

FBI File No. **44-38861**

Lab. No. **D-562197 JK**

Specimens received **5/2/68**

**Q308 Envelope with embossed 6 cent stamp postmarked
"SANDUSKY OH APR 22 PM 1968" bearing hand printed
address "POST MASTER PLEASE - ISLAND ONTARIO CANADA"**

**Q309 Unstamped envelope bearing hand printed address
"CHIEF OF POLICE MEMPHIS, TENN."**

**Q310 Sheet of paper bearing hand printed message beginning
"DEAR - SIR - I UNDERSTAND..."**

**ALSO SUBMITTED: Envelope postmarked in Canada, addressed to
"Federal Bureau of Investigation, Sandusky,
Ohio, three coins, (one quarter and two nickels)**

Result of examination:

Specimens Q308, Q309 and Q310 were searched in the appropriate sections of the Anonymous Letter File but could not be identified with any prior submissions to this file.

The hand printing on the specimens received is too distorted for a satisfactory comparison with pertinent material in the "MURKIN" case and other letters of a similar type as Q310 which have been received; however, differences were noted.

A few isolated words were discerned on Q310 as indented impressions. An impression of the name or word "Wittler" or "Dittler" was also noted. A photograph depicting these impressions is enclosed for Cleveland. No other identifying features were noted on the items received.

Q308, Q309 and Q310 are temporarily retained.

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**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535**

To: **FBI, Memphis (44-1987)**

Date: **May 8, 1968**

Re: **MURKIN
CR
OO: Memphis**

J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No. **44-38861**
Lab. No. **D-562197 JK**

Examination requested by: **Cleveland**

Reference: **Airtel 5/1/68**

Examination requested: **Document - Fingerprint**

Remarks:

You will be advised separately regarding the results of the fingerprint examination and disposition of the submitted evidence.

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Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

**2 - Cleveland (44-565) Enclosures (3) (Photograph of Q310,
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**REPORT
of the****FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535**To: **FBI, Memphis (44-1987)**Date: **May 9, 1968**Re: **MURKIN
CR**FBI File No. **44-38861**Lab. No. **D-562610 JK**Specimens received **5/7/68**

K257 Twenty-one sheets of paper and one copy of a form dated 4/4/58, bearing known handwriting and hand printing of **JAMES EARL RAY**

ALSO SUBMITTED: One "Inmate Request To Staff Member" form for **JACK M. RAY**, No. 59602

Result of examination:

The additional known handwriting of **JAMES EARL RAY**, represented by **K257**, does not sufficiently augment the known handwriting of this individual previously received to permit the identification of the "Harvey Lowmyer" signature on **Q72** with this individual.

K257 is temporarily retained.

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REPORT
of theFEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

Date: May 9, 1968

Re: MURKIN
CR

FBI File No. 44-38861

Lab. No. D-562610 JK

Specimens received 5/7/68

K257 Twenty-one sheets of paper and one copy of a form dated 4/4/58, bearing known handwriting and hand printing of JAMES EARL RAY

ALSO SUBMITTED: One "Inmate Request To Staff Member" form for JACK M. RAY, No. 59602

Result of examination:

The additional known handwriting of JAMES EARL RAY, represented by K257, does not sufficiently augment the known handwriting of this individual previously received to permit the identification of the "Harvey Lowmyer" signature on Q72 with this individual.

K257 is temporarily retained.

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**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535**

To: **FBI, Memphis (44-1987)**

Date: **May 9, 1968**

Re: **MURKIN
CR
OO: Memphis**

J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No. **44-38861**
Lab. No. **D-562610 JK**

Examination requested by: **Kansas City**
Reference: **Airtel 5/6/68**
Examination requested: **Document**
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2 - Kansas City (44-760) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

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REPORT
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WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

Date: May 10, 1968

Re: MURKIN
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FBI File No. 44-38861

Lab. No. D-562676 JK

Specimens received 5/8/68

Photocopies of documents obtained from Alabama State Department of Public Safety, Montgomery, Alabama, comprising the known handwriting of eleven individuals, further described as follows:

<u>SPECIMEN</u>	<u>NAME</u>
Kc258	WILLIAM ELMER JOHNSON
Kc259	FRANK GARRETT PERRY
Kc260	JAMES PRESTON RIDDICK
Kc261	ROBERT CLIFTON SMITH
Kc262	FONTAINE STORM
Kc263	R. W. KERR
Kc264	CLYDE JUSTIN HILL
Kc265	WINFORD PRESTON GILMORE
Kc266	PAUL EDGAR GOODPASTER, JR.
Kc267	LEE EMERSON BELLAMY
Kc268	ROGER DAVID BROUSSARD

Result of examination:

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The submitted items have been retained.

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WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: FBI, Memphis (44-1987)
Re: MURKIN
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Date: May 10, 1968
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Photocopies of documents obtained from Alabama State Department of Public Safety, Montgomery, Alabama, comprising the known handwriting of eleven individuals, further described as follows:

<u>SPECIMEN</u>	<u>NAME</u>
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Kc259	FRANK GARRETT PERRY
Kc260	JAMES PRESTON RIDDICK
Kc261	ROBERT CLIFTON SMITH
Kc262	FORTAINE STORM
Kc263	R. W. KERR
Kc264	CLYDE JUSTIN HILL
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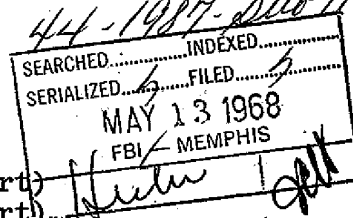
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