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TO DIRECTOR (44-38861), MEMPHIS (44-1987) AND MIAMI.
FROM CLEVELAND (44-565) 1P

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MURKIN

RE CLEVELAND TELETYPE INSTANT DATE.

IT IS REQUESTED THAT THE MIAMI OFFICE DISSEMINATE
TO APPROPRIATE AUTHORITIES THE INFORMATION PROVIDED BY CV
THREE FOUR SIX - C IN ABOVE REFERENCED TELETYPE.

THIS IS BEING REQUESTED SINCE THE CLEVELAND SOURCE
PROVIDED ALL AVAILABLE INFORMATION IN THIS MATTER AND IT IS
FELT THAT THE MIAMI OFFICE UPON IDENTIFYING ROLAND MAY BE IN A
POSITION TO PROVIDE MORE COMPLETE BACKGROUND INFORMATION FOR
THIS REQUESTED DISSEMINATION.

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Date: MAY 22, 1968

Transmit the following in Plaintext
(Type in plaintext or code)Via Teletype URGENT
(Priority)TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861) AND SAC *Memphis:*

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

RE: MURKIN

RE LA PHONE CALL TO BUREAU AND LA TELSMAY SEVENTEEN
LAST CONCERNING LA TIMES INFORMANT - "BOB" LNU.

INFORMATION DEVELOPED WHICH INDICATES INDIVIDUAL
KNOWN TO LEAMONT ANDERSON WHITE, EMPLOYEE OF WESTERN UNION,
LOS ANGELES, AS BOB BRICKLEY (ALLEGED TO BE BROTHER OF
FRANK BRICKLEY) IS IN REALITY LESTER EDWARD PACKETT FBI
NUMBER EIGHT TWO SEVEN ONE SEVEN ZERO A, SUBJECT OF BUFILE
EIGHTY SEVEN DASH FOUR SIX TWO EIGHT TWO, IN WHICH KC WAS
OO; KC FILE EIGHTY SEVEN DASH EIGHT TWO ZERO NINE: KX FILE
EIGHTY SEVEN DASH TWO EIGHT SEVEN EIGHT; ME FILE EIGHTY
SEVEN DASH FOUR NINE ZERO ZERO; MM FILE EIGHTY SEVEN DASH
ONE ZERO FOUR NINE NINE. ALSO SUBJECT OF KX FILE TWENTY SIX
DASH ONE THREE FOUR FOUR EIGHT, LA FILES EIGHT SEVEN DASH

AIR MAIL COPIES TO FOLLOWING OFFICES:

2 - ALBANY (Encl. 1 photo)	1 - DETROIT
1 - ATLANTA	1 - MOBILE
1 - BIRMINGHAM	1 - KNOXVILLE
1 - KANSAS CITY	1 - CHARLOTTE
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Per *Jellison*
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NINE FOUR ZERO ZERO, AND TWENTY SIX DASH THREE THREE NINE SIX ZERO.

PHOTO OF LESTER PACKETT EXHIBITED TO LEAMONT ANDERSON WHITE WHO IDENTIFIED IT AS INDIVIDUAL HE KNEW AS BOB BRICKLEY. NANCY BURGDORF, APT. MANAGER, EIGHT ONE TWO SOUTH WESTLAKE, L.A., IDENTIFIED SAME PHOTO AS FORMER RESIDENT THAT APT. WITH ODELA A. PACKETT WHO IS IDENT WITH FBI NUMBER THREE NINE ZERO EIGHT SEVEN SEVEN A; AND SHE IS CURRENTLY SERVING THIRTY DAYS FOR PROSTITUTION IN L.A. PHOTO OF LESTER PACKETT WAS TAKEN BY KNOXVILLE PD DECEMBER SEVENTEEN, NINETEEN FIFTY EIGHT.

POLAROID COPY OF PHOTO OF LESTER PACKETT BEING FORWARDED AMSD TO AL FOR EXHIBITION TO RAY ANDREW YOUNG, MASSENA, N.Y., TO DETERMINE IF THIS WAS INDIVIDUAL WHO APPROACHED HIM WHILE HE WAS STAYING AT CLARK HOTEL APRIL SEVENTEEN LAST.

JERRY COHEN, LA TIMES NEWSPAPER, ADVISES PAPER PROMISED THEIR INFORMANT "BOB" LNU, THEY WOULD NOT REVEAL HIS IDENTITY OR HOW TO LOCATE. COHEN DID HOWEVER TELL THIS OFFICE HE WOULD ADVISE IF ANY PHOTOS EXHIBITED WERE NOT IDENTICAL WITH INFORMANT. COHEN STATED PHOTO OF FRANK BRICKLEY NOT IDENT, BUT QUOTE DECLINED TO COMMENT END QUOTE, WHEN PHOTO LESTER PACKETT EXHIBITED TO HIM.

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WIFE, ODELA PACKETT, INTERVIEWED AT LENGTH IN LA COUNTY JAIL. STATES FILED FOR DIVORCE FROM PACKETT TWO MONTHS AGO THROUGH ATTORNEY PHIL CLOUGH ON GROUNDS OF DESERTION, CRUELTY, AND NONSUPPORT. LEGAL FEES PAYED BY HER RELATIVES. SAID SHE WAS SO MAD AT PACKETT AT TIME OF FILING FOR DIVORCE THAT SHE TORE UP ALL PHOTOS SHE HAD OF HIM. DESCRIBED HIM AS SHIFTLESS DRIFTER, WHO NEVER HELD JOB DURING THEIR FIVE YEAR MARRIAGE. SHE DOES NOT KNOW HIS PRESENT WHEREABOUTS.

REVIEW OF LA FILES RE LESTER PACKETT AND INTERVIEW WITH ODELA PACKETT INDICATES HE HAS SPENT TIME IN BELLE GLADE, FLORIDA; RENO, NEVADA; VARIOUS LOCATIONS IN TENNESSEE; CHICAGO AND KANSAS CITY. LEAMONT WHITE BELIEVES HE IS INDIVIDUAL WHO TOOK HIS TWO GUNS, AND IS ONLY INDIVIDUAL OUTSIDE OF FRANK BRICKLEY AND PERSON HE KNEW AS BRICKLEY'S COUSIN (WHOSE NAME HE CAN NOT RECALL) THAT WOULD HAVE KNOWN HE EVEN OWNED THE GUNS.

IT WOULD APPEAR PACKETT BILKED LA TIMES OUT OF AT LEAST ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS. OTHER THAN SHOWING HIS PHOTO TO RAY

ANDREW YOUNG, MASSENA, N.Y., TO WRAP UP THIS ASPECT OF CASE, IT IS

NO FURTHER INVESTIGATIVE EFFORT BEING CONDUCTED IN LA RE "BOB".
LNU.

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AIRMAIL COPIES BEING SENT FOLLOWING OFFICES; WITH PHOTO
ENCLOSED FOR ALBANY TO DISPLAY AS INDICATED ABOVE:

ALBANY, ATLANTA, BIRMINGHAM, KANSAS CITY, MIAMI, LAS VEGAS,
DETROIT, MOBILE, KNOXVILLE, CHARLOTTE.

INVESTIGATION CONTINUING LA.

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AIRMAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
FROM: SAC, JACKSONVILLE (44-769) (P)
SUBJ: MURKIN

Re Bureau airtel dated 5/8/68.

Re records unidentified deceased.

Mrs. ELSIE HYATT, Bureau of Vital Statistics, Jacksonville, Fla., advised they maintain a list of unidentified deceased individuals, however, this list is not current. The alphabetical index for the month of April regarding all unidentified deceased individuals in State of Florida will be on file prior to 6/10/68. The index for the month of May will be complete approximately 7/10/68.

County lists submitted as of 5/17/68 reflected only two unidentified deceased individuals to date and both were Negro males.

LEAD

JACKSONVILLE

AT JACKSONVILLE, FLA.

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1 - Miami (Info)
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Will maintain contact with Bureau of Vital Statistics, Jacksonville, and obtain the list of unidentified deceased individuals for the month of April when filed and thereafter conduct appropriate investigation regarding these individuals.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Miami, Florida
May 24, 1968

Re: THREATS AGAINST SEN. ROBERT F.
KENNEDY, MIAMI, FLORIDA, FOLLOWING
ASSASSINATION OF DR. MARTIN LUTHER
KING, JR. BY ROLAND CHESLEY TALBOTT, JR.
INFORMATION CONCERNING

On May 23, 1968, a confidential source advised the Cleveland Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation that his wife had recently returned from Miami, Florida, where she had worked in a bar. During her stay in Miami she met a man named Roland (last name unknown), who stated he was a Ku Klux Klan Grand Dragon and who drove a white Mustang. Roland stated to her after King's death that he had knowledge of it, and that Adam Clayton Powell, Stokely Carmichael, and H. Rap Brown were also scheduled for assassination and that "we will take care of Bobby Kennedy so he will never become president."

Roland reportedly carries weapons in his car and is accompanied by a large, vicious Doberman pinscher dog.

Roland was identified by the Miami Office of the FBI as Roland Chesley Talbott, Jr. Talbott operates a white Mustang and breeds Doberman pinscher dogs. He is a former member of Klavern #6, United Klans of America, Inc., Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Ft. Lauderdale, Florida, and last attended a meeting of Klavern #6 on September 11, 1967.

A characterization of the United Klans of America, Inc., Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, is contained in the appendix section of this memorandum.

Talbott is described as follows:

Name	Roland Chesley Talbott, Jr.
Race	White
Sex	Male
Date of birth	[REDACTED]
Place of birth	Richmond, Virginia
Height	6'
Weight	170 pounds

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MIAMI, FLORIDA, FOLLOWING ASSASSINATION
OF DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. BY
ROLAND CHESLEY TALBOTT, JR.

Hair	Brown
Eyes	Blue
Occupation	Auto mechanic
Home address	525 N. E. 129th Street Miami, Florida
Wife	Louise

Talbott was interviewed on May 24, 1968, at his place of employment, McGahey Chrysler-Plymouth, 1930 N. E. 2nd Avenue, Miami, Florida. He stated he has been "shooting his mouth off" sympathizing with individuals responsible for or connected with the shooting of Martin Luther King, Jr. ever since April 4, 1968.

Talbott further stated that he is of the opinion that Adam Clayton Powell, H. Rap Brown, and Stokely Carmichael should also be assassinated and that Bobby Kennedy should be stopped by non-violent means so he can never become president. Talbott believes Kennedy is responsible for all the current racial unrest in this country.

Talbott advised that he believes in the supremacy of the white race and stated that he is a former Klansman. Talbott stated even though he makes many controversial statements, he has no intention of perpetrating any such act such as shooting a Negro or political leader and is not acquainted with anyone who would do so.

Talbott advised that on occasion he carries firearms in his automobile but not for the purpose of shooting anyone.

The employment records of McGahey Chrysler-Plymouth were reviewed with reference to Roland Talbott and these records indicate that Talbott was at work at McGahey, Miami, Florida, on April 4, 1968.

The above information was immediately furnished by telephone to the 111th M. I. Group, Miami, Florida, U. S. Secret Service, Miami, Florida, United States Attorney,

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OF DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. BY
ROLAND CHESLEY TALBOTT, JR.

Miami, Florida, and the Intelligence Units of the Miami
Police Department and the Dade County Department of Public
Safety.

Copies of this memorandum are being furnished
locally to the 111th M. I. Group, Miami and Orlando,
Florida, the U. S. Secret Service, Miami, and the
United States Attorney, Miami, Florida.

This document contains neither recommendations
nor conclusions of the FBI. It is the property of the
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are not to be distributed outside your agency.

UNITED KLANS OF AMERICA, INC.
KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN

Records of Superior Court of Fulton County, Georgia, reflect that this Klan organization was granted a corporate charter on February 21, 1961, at Atlanta, Georgia, under the name United Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of America, Inc.

A source advised on February 27, 1961, that United Klans was formed as a result of a split in U. S. Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc. According to the source, the split resulted from a leadership dispute and United Klans has the same aims and objectives as the parent group. These are the promotion of Americanism, white supremacy, and segregation of the races.

The first source and a second source advised on July, 1961, that United Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of America, Inc., merged with Alabama Knights, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan. The merged organization established headquarters in Suite 401, Alston Building, Tuscaloosa, Alabama. (The organization is directed by ROBERT SHELTON, Imperial Wizard, and is the dominant Klan group in the South, with units in several southern states.)

Second source advised that at a meeting in Prattville, Alabama, on October 22, 1961, the U. S. Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, merged with the United Klans of America, Inc., Knights of the Ku Klux Klan.

Third source advised on May 25, 1966, that the UKA is currently an active organization, with Klaverns in several states. This source said that ROBERT M. SHELTON is the Imperial Wizard of this organization and was elected to this position on September 5, 1964, at a National Klonvocation in Birmingham, Alabama. Source stated that during April, 1966, the National office was moved from Suite 401, Alston Building, Tuscaloosa, Alabama, to the carport of SHELTON's residence, #18 Lake Sherwood, Star Route, Northport, Alabama, which space he had converted into a room.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Miami, Florida
May 24, 1968

Title	THREATS AGAINST SEN. ROBERT F. KENNEDY, MIAMI, FLORIDA, FOLLOWING ASSASSINATION OF DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. BY ROLAND CHESLEY TALBOTT, JR.
Character	INFORMATION CONCERNING
Reference	Memorandum dated and captioned as above at Miami, Florida.

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

United States Department of Justice
Federal Bureau of InvestigationMiami, Florida
May 24, 1968

- 1 - 111th M. I. Group, Orlando, Florida
- 1 - 111th M. I. Group, Miami, Florida
- 1 - U. S. Secret Service, Miami, Florida
- 1 - U. S. Attorney, Miami, Florida

Re: THREATS AGAINST SEN. ROBERT F. KENNEDY,
MIAMI, FLORIDA, FOLLOWING ASSASSINATION
OF DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., BY
ROLAND CHESLEY TALBOTT, JR.
INFORMATION CONCERNING

Dear Sir:

For your information, I am enclosing communications
which may be of interest to you.

Very truly yours,

F. A. FROHBOSE

Special Agent in Charge

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FROM: SAC, MIAMI (44-1854) (P)
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(OO: Memphis)

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MIAMI, FLORIDA, FOLLOWING ASSASSINATION
OF DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. BY
ROLAND CHESLEY TALBOTT, JR.
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Re Cleveland teletypes (2) to Miami dated 5/23/68,
and Miami teletype to Bureau dated 5/24/68.

Enclosed for the Bureau are 11 copies of an LHM
suitable for dissemination. Four copies of this LHM are
being furnished to Washington Field and Atlanta. Two
copies of this LHM are being furnished to Cleveland,
Memphis and Richmond.

Miami will furnish Memphis investigative inserts
concerning captioned matter under separate cover.

- 3 - Bureau (Enc. 11) (RM)
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Source referred to in LHM is CV 346-C, whose identity is known to the Bureau.

SINCE TALBOTT OFTEN CARRIES FIREARMS IN HIS
AUTOMOBILE, HE SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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TO DIRECTOR (44-38861) AND SACS, CLEVELAND (44-565)
AND WASHINGTON FIELD

FROM MIAMI (44-1854)

MURKIN, CIVIL RIGHTS;

THREATS AGAINST SEN. ROBERT F. KENNEDY, MIAMI, FLA. FOLLOWING
ASSASSINATION OF DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. BY ROLAND
CHESLEY TALBOTT, JR., INFORMATION CONCERNING.

RE CLEVELAND TELETYPES (TWO) TO BUREAU, MAY TWENTYTHREE,
SIXTYEIGHT.

INDIVIDUAL NAMED ROLAND REFERRED TO IN REFERENCED
TELETYPES IDENTIFIED AS ROLAND CHESLEY TALBOTT, JR., FORMER
KLANSMAN, KLAVERN SIX, UKA, FT. LAUDERDALE, FLA., AND
RICHMOND, VA., AREA. MIAMI FILE ONE FIVE SEVEN DASH ONE NINE
NINE THREE, BUREAU FILE ONE FIVE SEVEN DASH SEVEN TWO EIGHT
SIX.

TALBOTT INTERVIEWED, MIAMI, THIS DATE AND ADVISED HE
HAS BEEN "SHOOTING HIS MOUTH OFF" SYMPATHIZING WITH INDIVIDUALS
RESPONSIBLE FOR KING'S DEATH EVERY SINCE APRIL FOUR. STATES

- 1 - Miami (44-1854)
- 1 - Memphis (44-1987) (AMRM)
- 1 - Richmond (AMRM)

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HE IS OF OPINION ADAM CLAYTON POWELL, H. RAP BROWN AND STOKELY CARMICHAEL SHOULD ALSO BE SHOT. STATES THAT HE BELIEVES BOBBY KENNEDY IS RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL THE RACIAL UNREST IN THIS COUNTRY AND THAT HE SHOULD ALSO BE STOPPED, BUT NOT THROUGH VIOLENT MEANS. STATES HE IS A FORMER KLANSMAN AND BELIEVES IN THE SUPREMACY OF WHITE RACE. STATES EVEN THOUGH HE MAKES THESE STATEMENTS, HE HAS NO INTENTION OF PERPETRATING ANY SUCH ACTION AND IS NOT ACQUAINTED WITH ANYONE WHO WOULD DO SO.

RECORDS, MC GAHEY CHRYSLER, PLYMOUTH, INC., MIAMI, FLA., INDICATE TALBOTT AT WORK ON PERTINENT DATE.

WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE NOTIFY OFFICE OF SEN. ROBERT F. KENNEDY, U.S. SECRET SERVICE, AND OTHER APPROPRIATE AGENCIES IN WASHINGTON, D.C. OF ABOVE THREAT.

APPROPRIATE AGENCIES ADVISED.

LHM FOLLOWS.

AIRMAIL COPIES TO MEMPHIS AND RICHMOND.

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Special Agent in Charge

FBI MIAMI

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TO DIRECTOR, MIAMI, LOS ANGELES, AND BIRMINGHAM
FROM ATLANTA 44-2386

MURKIN

SUMMARY OF INVESTIGATION AT ATLANTA MAY TWENTYFOUR
INSTANT.

R. A. WILLOUGHBY, SANDERSVILLE, GA., FATHER OF
JAMES R. WILLOUGHBY, WHO FORMERLY RESIDED AT ROOMING
HOUSE ON FOURTEENTH ST., ATLANTA, AT TIME SUBJ. RESIDED
THERE, INTERVIEWED AND ADVISED JAMES WILLOUGHBY HAS
MENTAL PROBLEMS WHICH HAVE REQUIRED HIS CONFINEMENT
IN TWO MENTAL INSTITUTIONS IN THE PAST. STATED HIS
SON IS GENERALLY RELIABLE EXCEPT WHEN DRINKING AND
ON SOME OCCASIONS, HAS A TENDENCY TO EXAGGERATE
AND FABRICATE. R. A. WILLOUGHBY STATED JAMES VISITED
HIM AND JAMES' MOTHER WEEKEND OF MAY SEVENTEEN THRU
NINETEEN, LAST, AND RELATED TO THEM SUBSEQUENTLY THE
SAME STORY AS PREVIOUSLY RELATED TO THE INTERVIEWING
AGENTS CONCERNING SEEING AN INDIVIDUAL BELIEVED BY
HIM TO BE SUBJ. AT THE ROOMING HOUSE ON FOURTEENTH ST.

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CARL LOOSIER, ONE ZERO THREE FOUR LANIER BLVD., NE, ATLANTA, WHO LIVES BENEATH JERRY Q. DUTTON AND HIS WIFE, ADVISED THAT ONE JAMES THORNTON IS CURRENTLY RESIDING WITH THE DUTTONS AT ABOVE ADDRESS. HE IS DRIVING A WHITE RAMBLER STATION WAGON, BEARING CURRENT CALIF. LICENSE NYJ SEVEN TWO EIGHT. HE HAS BEEN RESIDING WITH THE DUTTONS FOR SEVERAL WEEKS. LOOSIER'S DESCRIPTION OF THORNTON INDICATES HE IS IDENTICAL WITH JAMES PAUL THORNTON, LOS ANGELES FILE ONE ZERO FIVE DASH FIVE SEVEN TWO FOUR. THORNTON WAS FORMERLY CALIF. DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL STATES RIGHTS PARTY AND RESIDED IN LOS ANGELES AREA. THORNTON ALSO FORMERLY RESIDED IN BIRMINGHAM, ALA, IN CONNECTION WITH NSRP ACTIVITIES.

JAMES P. THORNTON, ONE ZERO THREE FOUR LANIER BLVD., NE, ATLANTA, HAS SPECIAL CHECKING ACCOUNT AT FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH AVE., BRANCH, ATLANTA, WHICH WAS OPENED MAY FOURTEEN LAST WITH ONE HUNDRED DOLLAR DEPOSIT IN TRAVELERS CHECKS. CURRENT BALANCE IS FIFTEEN DOLLARS SEVENTYFOUR CENTS. THORNTON LISTED EMPLOYMENT WITH

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PACIFIC FINANCE CO., SIX FOUR NINE WEST PEACHTREE ST.,
NE, ATLANTA, AND STATED FORMERLY HAD BANK ACCOUNT AT
SECURITY FIRST NATIONAL BANK, ANAHEIM, CALIF., NOT
VERIFIED BY BANK.

NO SAVINGS ACCOUNT LOCATED FOR THORNTON AT
FIRST NATIONAL BANK.

NO CHECKING OR SAVINGS ACCOUNT LOCATED YET FOR
JERRY DUTTON; HOWEVER, CITIZEN AND SOUTHERN NATIONAL
BANK, ATLANTA, RECEIVED APPLICATION FROM DUTTON, NOV.,
SIXTYSEVEN, FOR CHARGE CARD. APPLICATION WAS DENIED
BY THE BANK. IN APPLICATION, DUTTON FURNISHED AGE
AS TWENTYSIX IN SIXTYSEVEN, WIFE ESTORIA V. DUTTON,
EMPLOYMENT SOUTHERN INK AND LACQUER CO., STONE
MOUNTAIN, GA., RESIDENCE FIVE TWO SEVEN FIVE WEST
MOUNTAIN STREET, STONE MOUNTAIN, GA., PREVIOUS
EMPLOYMENT STEELE CITY STAR, BOX EIGHT TWO NINE NINE,
BIRMINGHAM, ALA. STATED HE HAD OPENED LOAN AT GAC
FINANCE CO., BIRMINGHAM, ALA. HE LISTED NO BANK
REFERENCES.

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THUMB PRINTS MAINTAINED STATION CAPTAINS OFFICE, ATLANTA PD, BEING COMPARED WITH SUBJECT'S THUMB PRINTS IN EVENT SUBJ., HAD BEEN ARRESTED AND RELEASED OR SENT TO CITY FARM ON DRUNK OR OTHER CHARGE.

LOS ANGELES DETERMINE TO WHOM CALIF., LICENSE NYJ SEVEN TWO EIGHT ISSUED. ASCERTAIN JAMES PAUL THORNTON'S RESIDENCE DURING TIME SUBJ. HAS BEEN OUT OF PRISON AND EXHIBIT PHOTO TO NEIGHBORS AND ASSOCIATES OF THORNTON WHERE FEASIBLE. CONTACT SECURITY FIRST NATIONAL BANK, ANAHEIM, CALIF., FOR RECORD OF BANKING ACTIVITIES.

BIRMINGHAM ATTEMPT TO LOCATE RECORD OF THORNTON'S RESIDENCE THERE AND CONDUCT SIMILAR INVESTIGATION IN EFFORT TO DETERMINE POSSIBLE ASSOCIATION BETWEEN SUBJ. AND THORNTON.

SIMILAR INVESTIGATION NOT BEING REQUESTED CONCERNING DUTTON IN BIRMINGHAM INASMUCH AS DUTTON HAS RESIDED IN ATLANTA SINCE FEB., SIXTYSEVEN.

INVESTIGATION CONTINUING TO LOCATE BANK ACCOUNT OF DUTTON AND POSSIBLE ASSOCIATION BETWEEN HIM AND SUBJ. E ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

END ACK PLS.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM: SAC, NEW HAVEN (157-818) (P)

SUBJECT: MURKIN
(OO:ME)
Re RUTH C. JONES - Complainant

Re: Bureau airtel to New Haven, 5/13/68.

WILLIAM N. JONES, home address 557 Israel Hill Road, Shelton, Conn., who is a Freshman, residing in Room 416 Eaton House, University of Connecticut, Storrs, Conn., was contacted May 17, 1968, at which time JONES stated he went to Florida by hitch-hiking during spring vacation from the University of Connecticut.

After arrival in Florida, he spent some time in early April, 1968, in Lake Alfred, visiting an aunt and thereafter visited Fort Lauderdale and Miami. He decided to visit the Florida Keys and on April 10, 1968, while he was hitch-hiking there, he was picked up in Marathon, Florida, by a white male driving an "old, beat up" foreign automobile, make unknown. Its color was greenish and fading. JONES advised during the ride the driver who did not reveal his identity, informed JONES he had been released from jail that day. This individual did not name the jail but JONES felt it was located in Miami, Florida. JONES stated that the man did not reveal why or for what period he was incarcerated. This individual stated that he was driving to Key West, Florida, seeking work.

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J. J. Jones

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JONES stated he did not care to remain in the company of this individual and left the car at the first traffic light in Key West. He advised he had no definite reason to believe the driver was JAMES EARL RAY and he noted it was Mrs. JONES' idea to contact the FBI.

WILLIAM JONES advised he has seen photographs of RAY or ERIC GALT as he has read about him and he did not believe there was anything about the man who gave him a ride that would make him think it was RAY.

JONES described the driver as being in his 30s, 5'10", 185 pounds, with medium to heavy build. He had brown, slightly grey hair and his complexion was light to medium. No particular accent was noted and JONES stated the man "looked broke and bummy". He wore a white T shirt, dark brown pants and had no luggage.

In view of the foregoing, no further investigation is being conducted.

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TO DIRECTOR, ATLANTA, BIRMINGHAM AND MIAMI

FROM LOS ANGELES (44-1574) 1P

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MURKIN

RE ATLANTA TEL MAY TWO FOUR LAST.

LA RECORDS INDICATE JAMES PAUL THORNTON HAS BEEN RUNNING
NATIONAL STATES RIGHTS PARTY HEADQUARTERS IN BIRMINGHAM.

CALIFORNIA DEPT. OF MOTOR VEHICLES SHOW CALIF. LICENSE N Y J
SEVEN TWO EIGHT ISSUED TO JAMES P. THORNTON OF ONE TWO SEVEN THREE
FIVE CARDINAL, GARDEN GROVE, CALIF.

SUGGEST ATLANTA INTERVIEW THORNTON TO OBTAIN FROM HIM INFO
WHICH CAN BE VERIFIED TO ACCOUNT FOR HIS TIME SINCE SUBJECT RAY
ESCAPED PRISON.

SUBJECT ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
FROM: SAC, JACKSONVILLE (44-769) (P)
SUBJ: MURKIN
(OO:Memphis)

Re Bureau radiogram dated 5/21/68 regarding Drivers License Bureau checks for all drivers licenses applications for months of April and May, 1968.

Major C. W. KEITH, Department of Public Safety (DPS), Florida Highway Patrol, Tallahassee, Florida, advised on 5/23/68 that approximately nine hundred thousand new Florida drivers licenses were issued in the State each year. For the months of April and May there would be approximately 150 thousand new drivers licenses issued.

The following is the procedure for the issuance of new drivers licenses in the State of Florida:

There are 110 examining points in the State. An applicant appears at one of these examining points and is furnished an application, a xerox copy of which is attached. After an applicant has successfully passed his tests, the application and the fee go to the County Judge's Office. At the County Judge's Office, the Florida drivers license is issued. There is an original and two copies of this license. The applicant receives the original and a copy with the application is forwarded to the DPS at Tallahassee. The third copy is filed at the County Judge's Office.

- 3 - Bureau (Enc. 1)
- 2 - Tampa (Enc. 1)
- ③ - Miami (Enc. 1) *u*
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- 2 - Jacksonville

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The County Judge's Office forwards the copy of the license and application about every thirty days; some of the larger counties are more prompt, others go as long as two months before forwarding same. The licenses at the County Judge's Office, as are those at the DPS in Tallahassee, are filed alphabetically and there is no numerical order of the record. The Department of Public Safety examining points file once a month, usually on the 5th, Form DL 16, which report lists the name of the applicants for drivers licenses for the previous month and if the fee has been paid. There is no other information on this DL 16. A copy of this form remains at the examining point. At this time, the only possible reasonable check that could be made would be as follows:

1. Contact made with the senior examiner, who is an employee of the DPS, at the 110 examining points throughout the State of Florida.

2. With the senior examiner, go to the County Judge's Office and examine all Florida drivers licenses that they have not as yet forwarded to Tallahassee.

3. With a copy of the DL 16 kept on file at the examining point, check the names alphabetically with the drivers licenses on file at the County Judge's Office. For the month of April the DL 16 would be complete, while the month of May would only be partially completed and not complete until around 6/5/68.

Each FBI Field Division in Florida, if the above system is practical, could cover their own leads after checking out the drivers licenses, which would save considerable paper work by one Division.

The above procedure is the only way that a complete search could be made at this time since it will be the end of June or the middle of July before such a search can be made at the DPS at Tallahassee.

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In addition, it is to be pointed out that a search of the names of the DL 16 in the County Judge's Office would be much faster than a search at DPS, Tallahassee, as it would mean fewer licenses to be checked.

It should be noted that not all the names on the DL 16 will be found to have drivers licenses as many applicants file and don't return, while others fail to pass.

Major KEITH advises the following counties have not forwarded their license returns for April:

Bradford, Citrus, Manatee, Pasco, Pinellas and Taylor.

The following counties have already made returns through 5/13/68:

Broward, Dade and St. Johns

Major KEITH advised because of the present work load at the drivers license division of the DPS, it would be impossible for them to pull that many files during the regular work day. The Major explained that their personnel would have to be the ones to pull the files because of their new mechanical and electrical filing system although the FBI personnel could review the licenses.

The Major explained that some plan would have to be worked out to have their personnel work nights, which would mean time and a half or double time, as far as pay is concerned.

He was unable to estimate the length of time, the number of personnel, or cost involved to review these licenses.

Due to the above, and since most counties still have their applications for May, it is suggested that necessary

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information be obtained through examining points and County Judge's Offices rather than attempt to handle the review at the State Capitol, Tallahassee.

For the Bureau's information, both Major KEITH and HOMER SMOTHERMAN, Senior Drivers License Examiner, Jacksonville, Florida, have advised no identification is necessary to obtain a license and therefore a great number of licenses are issued using false names and addresses for faulty identification purposes. Duval County alone had between 3,000 and 5,000 applications submitted for the month of April according to Mr. SMOTHERMAN.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, Miami (44-1854)

FROM : *RGJ*
alt SAC, Memphis (44-1987) (P)

SUBJECT: MURKIN
CR

OO: Memphis

DATE: 5/24/68

Re Miami Airtel to Memphis, 5/22/68.

Returned herewith is insert received from Miami Division covering interview with ALBERTO VADIA.

Miami should include this insert in report which that office is preparing.

2 - Miami (Enc.-15)
1 - Memphis
RGJ:ME
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*Inserts returned
to Memphis
5/27/68 vc*

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AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

TO: SAC, MEMPHIS

FROM: SAC, ATLANTA (44-2386) (P)

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Enclosed for Memphis is one copy of Atlanta teletype to Director, 5/24/68, which was inadvertently sent to Miami instead of Memphis.

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2 - Atlanta
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Post Office Box 52-157
Biscayne Annex
Miami, Florida 33152
May 27, 1968

Mr. J. G. Grayson
Assistant Comptroller
Revenue Accounting
Eastern Airlines
Miami International Airport
Miami, Florida

Dear Mr. Grayson:

For the past several weeks, it has been necessary that Agents of this office request assistance from personnel of the Ticket Lift and Control Section in connection with an intensive investigation being conducted by this office.

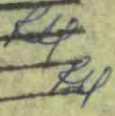
It has been called to my attention that Eugene C. Kurtz, supervisor of this section, as well as Richard Lowe and T. W. Hanlon, were extremely cooperative and helpful in assisting the Agents while at Eastern Airlines.

I am aware that it was necessary that these employees expend considerable time in assisting the Agents, and I wish to express through you my appreciation for all the help given by these men and your organization.

Very truly yours,


F. A. FROHBOSE
Special Agent in Charge

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

1.

5/27/68

Date _____

ROLAND CHESLEY TALBOTT, JR. was interviewed at his place of employment, McGahey Chrysler Plymouth, 1930 N. E. 2nd Avenue, Miami, Florida.

TALBOTT advised that he has been "shooting his mouth off" sympathizing with the person or persons responsible for shooting MARTIN LUTHER KING ever since April 4, 1968. TALBOTT stated further that he is of the opinion that ADAM CLAYTON POWELL, STOKELY CARMICHAEL and H. RAP BROWN should also be assassinated.

TALBOTT is of the opinion that BOBBY KENNEDY is responsible for all the racial unrest in the country and he believes that KENNEDY should be stopped by non-violent means so that he can never become president.

TALBOTT advised that he believes in the supremacy of the white race. TALBOTT stated he was a former member of Klavern Number 6, United Klans of America, Inc., Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Fort Lauderdale, Florida, but has not attended any meetings of Klavern Number 6, since last fall.

TALBOTT advised that even though he makes many controversial statements, he has no intention of perpetrating any such act such as shooting a Negro or a political leader and is not acquainted with anyone who would do so.

TALBOTT advised that occasionally he carries firearms in his automobile but not for the purpose of shooting anyone.

TALBOTT advised that he knows nothing of the assassination of MARTIN LUTHER KING other than what he has heard through the news media, and has no knowledge of those responsible for the assassination.

On 5/24/68 at Miami, Florida

File # Miami 44-1854-631

by SA DAVID N. JELLISON:vc

Date dictated 5/27/68

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ME 44-1987

DNJ:vc

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The following investigation was conducted
by SA DAVID N. JELLISON at McGahey Chrysler Plymouth,
1930 N. E. 2nd Avenue, Miami, Florida, on May 24, 1968:

The employment records at McGahey Chrysler
Plymouth were reviewed with reference to ROLAND CHESLEY
TALBOTT, JR. These records were furnished by BEN MC GAHEY,
owner. These records indicate that TALBOTT was at work at
McGahey Chrysler Plymouth on April 4, 1968.

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AIRTEL

TO: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)
FROM: SAC, MIAMI (44-1854) (P)
SUBJECT: MURKIN
CR
(OO: Memphis)

Re Memphis letter to Miami dated 5/24/68, and Miami airtel and LHM to Bureau dated 5/24/68, regarding ROLAND CHESLEY TALBOTT, JR.

Enclosed for the Memphis Division are 15 copies of an investigative insert concerning ALBERTO VADIA, 15 copies of an investigative insert dealing with employment checks at McGahey Chrysler Plymouth, Miami, concerning ROLAND CHESLEY TALBOTT, JR., and 15 copies of an FD-302 covering interview with ROLAND C. TALBOTT, JR.

Referenced Memphis letter apparently crossed Miami MURKIN report in the mail and the inserts dealing with ALBERTO VADIA are being re-submitted to the Memphis Office for possible inclusion in an investigative report.

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Alberto Vadia
Our copy of insert of Vadia
is attached to
main airtel to
Memphis, 5/22/68. vc

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Date 5/27/68

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On 5/24/68 at Miami, Florida File # Miami 44-1854 - 634
by SA DAVID N. JELLISON:vc Date dictated 5/27/68

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, MIAMI (44-1854)

FROM : SA ROBERT W. WISEMAN

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 5/28/68

Re Los Angeles teletype to Bureau 5/17/68 and
Detroit teletype to Bureau 5/20/68.

The following investigation was conducted
by SA ROBERT W. WISEMAN at Boca Raton, Fla. relative
to identifying the unknown individual at the Texaco
station located at U.S. #1 and Palm Aire Street, in
Boca Raton who was the recipient of a business card
from Mr. H. D. BRINKER.

Physical inspection of the Boca Raton area
developed that there is no Palm Aire Street however
there is a Sunoco station located at the intersection
of Highway #1 and Royal Palm Road, which appears to
be the logical location of instant service station.
Mr. BERNARD IRELAND, JR., co-owner of instant service
station advised that beginning March 7, 1968, and for
a period of three weeks he employed one DALE WHITMAN,
whom he described as in his early twenties, very personable
and an excellent public relations man with customers.
WHITMAN was dissatisfied with his employment and was
interested in bettering himself and left voluntarily
to secure employment elsewhere with an unknown uniform
company in Ft. Lauderdale, Florida.

Subsequent investigations identified DALE
WHITMAN's mother as Mrs. GORDON YOST, who resides in
a trailer Lot #35, Tropic Gardens Trailer Park, S.
Federal Highway, Delray Beach, Florida which is just
north of the Boca Raton City limits. Mrs. YOST interviewed
on 5/21/68 stated that her son DALE WHITMAN is an
only child of a previous marriage and his father is
deceased. She stated that during the approximately of
middle of February 1968, her son phoned her from Chicago,
Illinois stating that his wife had left him and that
divorce action by her had been instituted. As a
result he came here to this area and resided with her
and her second husband up until 5/7/68. She stated that

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he was very dissatisfied with the employment opportunities here in So. Fla., had worked for a while at the Sunoco station in Boca Raton, left there and worked for an unknown uniform company in Ft. Lauderdale, as a truck driver and on the afternoon of 5/7/68, came home saying that he was going up north to seek better employment, and that he would contact her at some later date when he got settled and left. She advised that she has had no contact with him since and has no idea of his current whereabouts, but is of the opinion that he would not go back to Chicago because of his unhappy situation and divorce action. Mrs. YOST continued saying that prior to coming to Fla. she and her son DALE resided for many years in the Warren, Ohio area and that she has two brothers in Warren, Ohio now who her son might contact. She stated that one brother or uncle of DALE WHITMAN is BYRD JAY LANE, who resides at 1594 Kuszmaul Avenue in Warren, Ohio, and that the other brother ROBERT LANE also is in Warren, Ohio, address unknown, but his address will be known to BYRD. She added further that she has another brother named NOAH LANE who resides at an unknown address in Columbus, Ohio and his address also will be known to BYRD. BYRD JAY LANE and ROBERT LANE are both employed by General Motors Corporation in Warren, Ohio. The employment of NOAH LANE in Columbus, Ohio is not known to her.

Mrs. YOST continued saying that her son DALE took most of his personal effects with him upon departure including any correspondence, notes and similar items. She stated that after he departed she did find some notes with telephone numbers on them and business cards which she threw away in the trash without reading and had no knowledge of their contents believing that they were no value to her son or he would not have left them. Mrs. YOST is unfamiliar with the name of H. D. BRINKER or H. ROBERTSON BRINKER or the Riddle Factory Catering Company of Detroit, Michigan. She does not recall her son mentioning anything about this, but added that he does know that he was interested in bettering himself and was making any effort possible while in this area to get better employment than the two that he did have. Mrs. YOST did divulge in the conversation that her son DALE WHITMAN at age 18 had enlisted in the U.S. Navy and shortly thereafter while being stationed in Brainbridge, Md. was involved with the Federal Gov't concerning a car theft for which he had a two year probationary sentence.

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She explained this is the reason why she was initially reluctant to discuss her son's whereabouts or possible whereabouts with the interviewing Agent.

The above is being submitted for record.

5/28/68

AIRTEL

TO: DIRECTOR (44-38861)
FROM: SAC, CINCINNATI (157-1893) (P)
SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Miami teletype to Bureau, 5/22/68.

Search of current directories, city and telephone, on 5/24/68 disclosed NOAH L. and NORMA E. LANE reside 687 Valerie Lane, Whitehall (Columbus), Ohio. Employment is recorded as attendant, Great Eastern Pure Oil, 4600 E. Main Street, Columbus, Ohio.

Records Credit Bureau of Columbus, Inc., searched 5/24/68 by Mrs. CARLA JACQUES, disclose residence of NOAH LANE to be 687 Valerie Lane. He is listed as employed as mechanic, Glenn Davis Pure Oil Station, Main and Hamilton Road, since 5/65. He has a "B" credit rating.

Neighborhood inquiry and investigation at Glenn Davis Pure Oil 5/24/68 disclosed LANE no longer employed there and he was not at his residence all day. Whereabouts was not ascertained on 5/24/68.

NOAH LANE was located and interviewed 5/27/68. He is employed Purdie Metals, Inc., 650 N. 4th Street, Columbus, Ohio. He claims not to know current whereabouts of his nephew, DALE WHITMAN, and has not seen him for more than one year. About four months ago LANE said he had heard WHITMAN was living at Del Ray Beach, Florida, then about three weeks ago he was allegedly living near his mother, Mrs. GORDON YOST, or Mrs. WHITMAN, at Boca Raton, Florida. He said the family is not close knit but should he learn of the whereabouts of DALE WHITMAN he promised to notify the contacting agent.

3-Bureau
1-Cleveland (Info)
1-Miami (44-1854) (Info)

1-Los Angeles (44-1574) (Info)
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AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
FROM: SAC, JACKSONVILLE (44-769)
SUBJ: MURKIN
(OO: ME)

Re Bureau radiogram 5/21/68 and Jacksonville airtel to Bureau, 5/24/68.

Re: DRIVERS LICENSE BUREAU CHECKS FOR ALL
DRIVERS LICENSE APPLICATIONS - MONTHS OF
APRIL AND MAY, 1968.

On 5/27/68, a conference was held with Major E. W. KEITH, Capt. A. E. REDDICK, Mrs. ELLEN HARRISON and Mrs. CAROLYN MARTIN, of the Department of Public Safety, Drivers License Division, Tallahassee, Fla., to make a more thorough and exhaustive study of details in reviewing all drivers license applications in the State of Florida for the months of April and May, 1968, and a more accurate determination of numbers involved.

Major KEITH explained his figure of 900,000 drivers licenses issued in a year that he had previously furnished was erroneous and that was the number of examinations given, rather than the number of applications received or licenses issued.

He advised this figure is high since several examinations are sometimes given to the same individual and a student or inexperienced driver will be given a visual and written examination before being issued a restricted license or learner's permit and thereafter return for a road test examination each of which is counted as an examination. The survey now reveals the following information:

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DRIVERS LICENSE APPLICATIONS

MONTHS: APRIL AND MAY, 1968

STATE OF FLORIDA

Number of applications for drivers licenses:

70,000

(Source: Major E. W. KEITH.)

LOCATION OF APPLICATIONS:

1. Tallahassee:

April - filed 27,000 (3 counties not yet reported
out of 67).

May - 3,000 (none filed since 5/24/68).

All filed alphabetically.

May (unfiled) - Unknown

2. Drivers License Examination Stations

April - 5,500

May - 5,000

Information furnished by Major KEITH from a sampling
of Inspection Stations throughout the state.

3. County Judge's Office

to be forwarded to Tallahassee.

April - 4,000

May - Unknown, approximately 26,000
most of which will be in Tallahassee
before 6/15/68.

REVIEW PROCEDURE

1. AT TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

a) Applications already filed: (Approximately 30,000)
Motor Vehicle Bureau personnel would have to pull individual files from the list of names contained on the Motor Vehicle Bureau form DL 16 as described in referenced Jacksonville airtel. (Names of all applicants for drivers licenses appearing at the 110 examining points throughout the state of Florida). It is noted that ~~not all individuals~~ contained on this list have ~~passed~~ passed the examination and therefore their applications are not on file in Tallahassee. A copy of these DL 16's for month of April are on file at Tallahassee.

FBI personnel would thereafter review these individual applications for elimination purposes.

b) Applications Not Filed to Date

All applications received on or after 5/27/68 are being held by MVB and will not be filed. A review of these applications could be made by FBI personnel prior to filing.

2. AT THE 110 EXAMINING STATIONS THROUGHOUT THE STATE.

Number - 10,500.

In the event an application is made for a drivers license, this application would not be forwarded to Tallahassee and would be kept at the Inspection Station in following instances:

1. Individual takes only the visual examination and written test.
2. Takes neither the written or road test.
3. Fails either the written or road test.

These applications are retained for a period of 90 days and thereafter destroyed.

The above applications are filed alphabetical and would be reviewed by FBI personnel from name on the DL 16 on which no application was located in Tallahassee.

3. AT COUNTY JUDGE'S OFFICE

These applications were sent from Inspection Station on individuals having passed their tests and will be forwarded to MVB, Tallahassee, usually once a month and will be reviewed at Tallahassee prior to filing.

COST INVOLVED

Other than Bureau personnel...

Approximately \$3,000

Including 5 Xerox copies each of the 3,000 DL 16 forms.

Five employees working from 7-9 p.m. each night for about 30 days pulling files for review by Bureau personnel and the refiling of these files.

BUREAU PERSONNEL

Major KEITH estimated that it would take five FBI personnel about 40 days to complete the project as he feels that a person cannot examine more than 20 applications an hour.

Bureau personnel would be supplied space and could work days on this project.

AT 110 EXAMINING STATIONS

Undetermined.

ALTERNATIVE

Review of licenses filed at the County Judge's Office as set forth in Jacksonville airtel to Bureau 5/24/68 after obtaining DL 16 from the 110 examining stations.

In this regard Capt. A. E. REDDICK pointed out that for the month of April only, a copy of the licenses would be available at the County Judge's Office where as in Tallahassee, the applications would be filed. This application contains additional information such as the license tag and where the person was previously licensed to drive.

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Capt. REDDICK further advised that his experience has been that a lot of county judge's offices have not kept good records as to the filing of these drivers licenses and in many cases he has found where they are several months in arrears with their filing. He said all the licenses for the month of April will be in file at Tallahassee in the next few days but those for May will not be complete until around the end of June.

RECOMMENDATION

Bureau is requested to approve the payment of approximately \$3,000 to the Department of Public Safety, Tallahassee, Fla., for necessary expenses incurred by them in carrying out the above project.

Major KEITH has requested a decision as to whether he should retain stops with all the applications that are coming in for May and those retained for April be reached as soon as possible. A delay of any length of time would cause his office to "bogg" down with non-filed applications.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, MIAMI (44-1854)

FROM : EUGENE J. MC KINNEY

SUBJECT: MURKIN
CR
00:MEMPHIS

DATE: 5/31/68

Re memo of LANE M. BONNER, 4/22/68.

Referenced memo reflected that on 4/19/68, Det. KELLA, Hollywood, Fla. PD advised he had received information that an individual resembling ERIC GAULT had been seen in the vicinity of the Hollywood Mall, Hollywood, Fla.

On 4/23/68, and again on 5/15/68, Det. KELLA of the Hollywood, Fla. PD was contacted concerning the above information. He advised that on 4/19/68, he and several other officers immediately proceeded to the Hollywood, Fla. Mall and after a thorough search of the mall and surrounding area, they were unable to find anyone fitting the above description. Det. KELLA advised that the information received concerning the individual resembling GAULT was anonymous and he had no way of rechecking this information. He stated that officers on duty at the Hollywood Mall had been alerted and no one had seen anyone resembling GAULT or the individual described by the anonymous caller. This individual was reportedly a white male, 6' tall, approximately 30 years old, wearing a straw hat and black boots.

Det. KELLA advised that he would immediately notify the FBI in the event any additional information is obtained.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, MIAMI (44-1854)

DATE: 5/31/68

FROM : SA RICHARD B. KELLOGG

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re telephone call from SA JELLISON 5/29/68 to effect that MARYLIN HOLT had telephonically contacted Miami stating she had seen subject RAY but she did not say where. She said she could be contacted through SIDNEY STEWART, Manager, Shoe Dept., Burdines, West Palm Beach, Florida.

The following investigation was conducted by SA RICHARD B. KELLOGG in West Palm Beach, Fla., on 5/29/68:

SIDNEY STEWART, Manager, Shoe Dept., Burdines, West Palm Beach, Florida, advised his Uncle, EDWARD HOLT, very recently died in the British West Indies, where he had been living and working. In the British West Indies he had gone through a marriage ceremony with MARILYN HOLT but on his death it was learned he was also previously married to another woman living in Ohio. STEWART said he had never met MARILYN HOLT but she did show up in West Palm Beach on the morning of 5/29/68 telling him of this and other troubles and indicating she meant to seek legal advice in getting her share of EDWARD HOLT's estate. STEWART said HOLT told him she had been put up on the previous night by the Salvation Army in West Palm Beach. She said nothing to him about having seen subject RAY. STEWART said Mrs. HOLT seems to be the exciteable type and is a constant talker but she seemed rational and intelligent.

MARILYN ~~WEXN~~ HOLT was located through the Salvation Army residing at the Datura Hotel, Datura St., West Palm Beach. She advised that during the latter part of the week of May 19, 1968, she lived on the 2nd floor at the Sunny Lee Guest House in Nassau, BWI, which is situated near the hospital there. The man she believes resembles RAY also lived on the 2nd floor there. She said he apparently lived alone although a woman and a small boy 3 or 4 years of age visited him daily. HOLT said she spoke with this man a couple of times but he never gave her a name nor did he say anything about his past. He did say he had been in the BWI for one year but HOLT said she asked the landlady there about the man and she said the man had been there about a month and his name was Mr. LOWE. HOLT described the man as being in his late 30s,

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handsome, just short of 6' tall, medium build with a slight paunch, with black hair cut regularly. She noticed no scars or marks and nothing peculiar about his ears. She did not think his nose was particularly pointed although it was rather long and narrow. On viewing photographs of RAY she did not think the photographs depicting RAY as rather heavy or round faced looked much like this man but the one in sun glasses and the stand up photo of RAY with RIFE she though bore a striking resemblance to this man.

HOLT said she was not sure how long she would be in West Palm Beach but when she leaves her attorney, RALPH MABY, will know how to contact her. She said also there is a former "sugar daddy", MITCHELL BRAUER, 5860 Milwaukee Ave., Chicago, Ill., the owner of Berry Homes, who usually knows where she is. She indicated she was formerly a prostitute in Dayton, Ohio, and was known to police and the FBI there.

Above info telephonically furnished to SA JELLISON 5/29/68 for handling.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
FROM: SAC, CLEVELAND (44-565)
RE: MURKIN

Re Miami teletype to Director, Cleveland and Cincinnati dated 5/22/68.

The following investigation was conducted by
SA FRANK G. DOUDS on 5/24/68:

Mr. BRYD JAY LANE, 5094 Kusmaul Ave., Champion, Ohio, telephone 847-9466, on interview advised he had not seen his nephew in over a year. At that time, he had stopped overnight with his wife and baby, traveling from Melrose Park, near Chicago, Illinois to the home of relatives of his wife, somewhere in West Virginia. He stated he felt sure if his nephew, DALE WHITMAN, comes through this area, he would stop. He stated he knows nothing about his nephews relatives in West Virginia and where they reside or their names.

He stated prior to going to Florida and before his nephew separated from his wife, they resided at 1415 16th Ave., Melrose Park, Ill.

He stated if DALE WHITMAN stopped at his residence or at the following relatives, he would advise so that WHITMAN could be interviewed:

ROBERT LANE, 3620 Rio Vista Rd., Leavittsburg, Ohio

Mrs. JESSE OSBORNE, 433 Champion Ave. E, Champion, Ohio

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NOAH LANE, 687 Valerie Lane, Whitehall, Columbus, Ohio

RAY LANE, 2380 Valley Road, RD, Niles, Ohio

Mrs. JESSE OSBORNE, aunt of DALE WHITMAN and RAY LANE, uncle of DALE WHITMAN, on interview advised they have heard nothing from him in over a year. They stated they would advise if he stopped through this area enroute to some other destination so that he could be interviewed.

ROBERT LANE, 3620 Rio Vista Rd., Leavittsburg, Ohio, on interview, advised he has heard nothing from his nephew in over a year. He stated he would not stop at his home, but if he came through the area, he would stop and see BRYD or RAY, his brothers.

