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Date May 13, 1968

RE:

MURKIN

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- ☒ For information ☐ Retention optional ☐ action
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- ☐ Enclosed are corrected pages from report of SA _____ dated _____

Remarks:

Enclosed for assistance of each office in connection with any laundry checks being made are photographs of laundry marks placed on shirt and bed linen for James Earl Ray while using the name of Eric Starvo Galt in the Los Angeles area.

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Bufile (44-38861)
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44-686-192

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC (44-686)

DATE: May 14, 1968

FROM : SA DELMER R. EXON

SUBJECT: MURKIN
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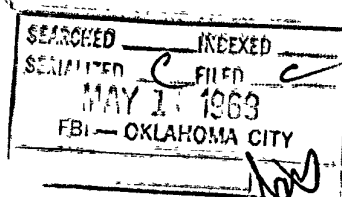
Re New Orleans Airtel 5-7-68.

The following investigation was conducted by SA DELMER R. EXON.
At Tulsa, Okla.

Mr. and Mrs. MIKE EPPLER, 2440 E. 6th St., were interviewed on 5-14-68. They advised they formerly resided at 1231 S. Owasso in Tulsa. In December 1967 they spent their honeymoon at the Provincial Motel in New Orleans, La.; arriving on 12-18-67 and departing on 12-21-67. During their stay there they had no contact with other guests at the motel. Various photos of JAMES EARL RAY were shown to Mr. and Mrs. EPPLER, however, they did not recall ever having seen him.

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Information was received from the New Orleans Office of the FBI that Mr. and Mrs. MIKE EPPLES, 1231 South Owasso, Tulsa, Oklahoma, had registered on December 18, 1967, at the Provincial Motel, 1024 Chartres Street, New Orleans, Louisiana

The following investigation was conducted by SA DELMER R. EXON, on May 14, 1968.

At Tulsa, Oklahoma

Mr. and Mrs. MIKE EPPLER, 2440 East 6th Street, were interviewed and advised they formerly resided at 1231 South Owasso in Tulsa. In December, 1967, they spent their honeymoon at the Provincial Motel in New Orleans, Louisiana, arriving on December 18, 1967, and departing on December 21, 1967. During their stay there, they had no contact with other guests at the motel. Various photographs of JAMES EARL RAY were shown to Mr. and Mrs. EPPLER; however, they did not recall ever having seen this individual.

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5/16/68

AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

TO: SAC MEMPHIS (44-1987)

fw FROM: SAC OKLAHOMA CITY (44-686) (P)

MURKIN

CR

OO Memphis

Re New Orleans airtel to Memphis 5/7/68.

Re interview of guests at Provincial Motel, New Orleans
Louisiana, between 12/17 and 12/19/67.

Enclosed herewith for Memphis are 15 copies of an
investigative insert reflecting investigation conducted at
Tulsa, Oklahoma.

2 - Memphis (Enc. 15)

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FBI LITTLE R

548PM 5/18/68 URGENT JER

TO DIRECTOR, (44-38861); MEMPHIS (44-1987); KANSAS CITY; AND

OKLAHOMA CITY

FROM LITTLE ROCK (157-1215) 2P

MURKIN, OO: MEMPHIS

RE: LOOKALIKE TO JAMES EARL RAY

ON MAY SEVENTEEN, SIXTYEIGHT, MRS. PHYLLIS REED, SUMMERS, ARK., ADVISED AN INDIVIDUAL WHO LOOKED LIKE RAY DROVE INTO HER STATION IN NINETEEN FIFTYSIX RED AND WHITE CHEVROLET STATION WAGON BEARING UNKNOWN NEW MEXICO LICENSE. SHE DESCRIBED THE INDIVIDUAL AS A WHITE MALE, ABOUT THIRTY YEARS OLD, FIVE FT. TEN INCHES TALL, STOCKY BUILD, SHORT LIGHT BROWN HAIR, DRESSED IN CASUAL SPORT CLOTHES, POSSIBLY A KNIT SHIRT, LIGHT COLORED PANTS, AND TENNIS SHOES

IMMEDIATELY RADIO INFO WAS DISPATCHED TO LOCAL SO'S IN OKLAHOMA AND SOUTHWEST MISSOURI THROUGH BENTON COUNTY, ARK., SHERIFF'S OFFICE AND ARKANSAS STATE POLICE, HUNTSVILLE, ARK. ROADBLOCKS WERE SET UP AND LOCAL AUTHORITIES ALERTED FOR THIS INDIVIDUAL AND CAR. ANY FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS WILL BE IMMEDIATELY REPORTED. LIAISON IS BEING MAINTAINED WITH LOCAL AUTHORITIES THROUGH STATE POLICE RADIO, END PAGE ONE

*Shirley
Adm
5-18-68
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HUNTSVILLE, ARK., AND FAYETTEVILLE, ARK. SO. CAR AND UNSUB NOT
LOCATED AT THIS TIME.

ABOVE FURNISHED OKLAHOMA CITY AND KANSAS CITY INASMUCH AS
THEY MAY RECEIVE INQUIRIES OR LEADS IN THIS MATTER. PENDING.

CORR. TIME IN TITLE SHOULD BE 448

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FBI OKLA CITY

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Date: 5/16/68

Transmit the following in _____
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TO: SAC, OKLAHOMA CITY (44-686)

FROM: SAC, DALLAS (44-2649) (P)

MURKIN

Re Bureau teletype dating 4/25/68 instructing long distance calls be checked on routes through Texas that RAY and CHARLES STEIN allegedly took en route from Los Angeles to New Orleans.

REFERENCE TELEPHONE CALLS BY SUBJECT RAY
EN ROUTE FROM LOS ANGELES TO NEW ORLEANS

Following investigation conducted by SA BEN S. HARRISON on 5/3/68:

AT LUBBOCK, TEXAS

A check of telephone toll call records indicates on 12/16/67, at 6:34 p.m., a call was placed from a pay telephone at Alpine, Texas, to telephone DA 1-1297 at Dallas, Texas.

Following investigation conducted by SA JAMES J. SHERMAN:

AT DALLAS, TEXAS

On 5/4/68, examination of the Dallas Criss Cross and 1968 telephone directories indicated DA 1-1297 is registered to V. MAI TEDDER, 7140 Gaston Avenue.

- 2- Oklahoma City
2- Memphis (44-1987)
2- Dallas
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cc to
SD 5-28-68
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DL 44-2649

On 5/4/68, ARIAN BRODHEAD, manager of the Hamilton House Apartments, 7140 Gaston Avenue, advised V. MAI TEDDER has the apartment number 103 and telephone DA 8-5533. TEDDER is a woman over 40, and spends little time at the apartment. BRODHEAD has never seen TEDDER although TEDDER has been a resident more than three years, and during the time BRODHEAD has been manager, more than a year. TEDDER has talked to her on the phone, and pays her rent regularly. She spends most of her time on a ranch in Oklahoma, believed to be the "Biffo" Ranch (phonetic). BRODHEAD stated when TEDDER is gone her (TEDDER's) nephew stays at the apartment. She described him as approximately 22 years of age, 5' 10", slight build, dark hair. BRODHEAD could furnish no information as to the occupation, relatives, current whereabouts, or the name of the nephew. She described TEDDER as obviously wealthy.

Attempts were made to contact someone at 7140 Gaston Avenue, Apartment 103, from 5/4 to 5/14/68, without success.

On 5/7/68, MRS. BIRDIE SUE BELCHER, Credit Bureau Service, advised her organization has no record of a V. MAI TEDDER.

On 5/8/68, MRS. FRANCYS WALLS, 7140 Gaston Avenue, Apartment 104, advised she lives just across the hall from a MRS. TEDDER and TEDDER had been living in the apartment across the hall regularly until the fall of 1967. She has not been living at that apartment since then except for irregular visits. She allegedly got married to a NED (LNU). WALLS did not know where TEDDER was living or whether she was employed or by whom. She advised a young man stays at the apartment and seems to keep irregular hours. She does not know this person's name as he keeps to himself and she does not know what kind of car he drives or where he works. To her knowledge,

DL 44-2649

he has no friends in the apartment building. She believes this person is TEDDER's nephew.

On 5/14/68, JERRY WYATT, 7140 Gaston, Apartment 103, was contacted and advised he is MRS. V. MAI TEDDER's nephew and he works at LTV Industries at Grand Prairie, Texas. He advised he does not know how to reach MRS. TEDDER, whether she is married or unmarried at this time, whether she is working or not. He advised he does not ask her her business and she does not ask him his. He advised he had been staying at the apartment during December, 1967, and did not recall whether or not MRS. TEDDER might have been visiting at the apartment during that month. He advised he does not know anyone in Alpine, Texas, and does not remember receiving a call from anyone there. He advised TEDDER is the sister of Deputy JOE TEDDER, Kaufman County Sheriff's Office, Kaufman, Texas, and that perhaps that person might know more about the activities of MRS. TEDDER.

WYATT was shown identification order #4182 and advised he knew no one that was possibly identical to the individual pictured.

On 5/15/68, Deputy JOE TEDDER telephonically advised his sister had married a NED BIFFLE who owns the Biffle Ranch outside of Allen, Oklahoma, telephone Area Code 405 FE 2-3516. He advised MRS. TEDDER could be reached at that location. He stated he did not believe MRS. TEDDER was involved in anything illegal or associated with subject RAY.

LEAD

OKLAHOMA CITY

AT ALLEN, OKLAHOMA. Contact V. MAI TEDDER (MRS. NED BIFFLE) at the Biffle Ranch to determine identity of persons making referenced telephone call.

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Date: 5/17/68

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
FROM: SAC, DETROIT (44-989)
SUBJECT: ~~MURKIN~~
RM

Re St. Louis airtel to Bureau, dated 4/30/68, and
Jackson teletype to Bureau, dated 4/24/68.

Re ROBERT BOSHERS, (Phonetic BOSSIER).

On 5/13/68 Mrs. MERCENE GAUT, Clerk, Office
Services, State Prison of Southern Michigan, advised SA
CHARLES G. FEHR that an extensive search of her files
failed to indicate any record identifiable with ROBERT
BOSHERS or BOSSIER as ever being incarcerated in the
State Prison System. She was also unable to find any
indication that BOSHERS was wanted by the Michigan Corrections
Commission.

3 - Bureau (RM)
1 - Jackson (157-9586) (Info) (RM)
1 - Kansas City (RM) (Info)
1 - Memphis (44-1987) (RM) (Info)
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1 - St. Louis (44-775) (Info) (RM)
2 - Detroit
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC OKLAHOMA CITY (44-686)

DATE: 5/21/68

FROM : *TF* IC TOMMY G. FREEMAN

SUBJECT: MURKIN

On 5/17/68 ROGER PIRRONG, Registrar for Oklahoma State Department of Health, advised his agency maintains a record of all unidentified dead for the State of Oklahoma. He advised that his agency has received no information regarding any unidentified deaths in the State from 4/1/68 to the present.

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The following investigation was conducted by
IC TOMMY G. FREEMAN.

At Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

On May 17, 1968, ROGER PIRRONG, Registrar for Oklahoma State Department of Health, advised his agency maintains a record of all unidentified dead for the State of Oklahoma. He advised that his agency has received no information regarding any unidentified deaths in the State from April 1, 1968, to the present.

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AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

TO: DIRECTOR FBI (44-38861)
FROM: SAC OKLAHOMA CITY (44-686) (P)

MURKIN
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OO Memphis

ReBuairtel to all SAC's, 5/9/68.

Re: Unidentified Dead

Enclosed for Bureau are 2 copies of an investigative insert reflecting investigation at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. Enclosed for Memphis are 15 copies of this insert.

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2 - Memphis (44-1987) (Enc. 15)
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TO: SAC MEMPHIS (44-1987)
FROM: SAC DALLAS (44-2649)

MURKIN

RE DALLAS AIRTEL MAY SIXTEEN LAST AND MEMPHIS TEL MAY TWENTY
INSTANT, RE PHONE CALLS BY SUBJECT RAY EN ROUTE FROM LOS ANGELES
TO NEW ORLEANS.

PHONE NUMBER DA EIGHT - FIVE FIVE THREE THREE APPEARING IN
REAIRTEL IS THAT OF THE MANAGER OF THE HAMILTON HOUSE APARTMENTS
AND NOT THAT OF V. MAI TEDDER. TEDDER'S PHONE NUMBER IS DA
ONE - ONE TWO NINE SEVEN.

OKLAHOMA CITY ADVISED AM. P

① - Oklahoma City (44-686) (AM)
1 - Dallas
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Tommy C. Webb
2168 Bella Vista Dr.
Vista, California 92083
US Marine Lt Col Charles L. Bradley
Camp Pendleton
772-411 EX 533-8064

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☒ Radio

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☐ Teletype

TO: ALL FIELD DIVISIONS

5-21-68

FM: WASHINGTON

MURKIN.

INASMUCH AS RAY IS KNOWN TO STAY AT "FLOPHOUSES" AND LOWER CLASS ROOMING HOUSES, ALL OFFICES WILL FURNISH COPY OF IDENTIFICATION ORDER REGARDING RAY TO SALVATION ARMY AND OTHER CHARITABLE TYPE MISSIONS.

ALL OFFICES COVERING STATE CAPITALS, IF NOT ALREADY DONE, WILL AT DRIVERS LICENSE BUREAUS CHECK ALL DRIVERS LICENSES APPLICATIONS FOR MONTHS OF APRIL AND MAY, 1968, CONCERNING ALL MALE CAUCASIANS OVER 30 YEARS OF AGE AND UNDER 55 YEARS, IN VIEW OF FACT IT IS POSSIBLE SUBJECT SECURED DRIVERS LICENSE USING ANOTHER NAME OTHER THAN ALIASES KNOWN. AS RESULT OF REVIEWING THESE APPLICATIONS, YOU SHOULD CONDUCT APPROPRIATE INVESTIGATION TO DETERMINE IF ANY SUCH INDIVIDUAL IDENTICAL WITH SUBJECT.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

TOR: 3:17P.M. CDT

VJ (3)

Leads at Tulsa and more missouri copy available Salvation Army & missions at Tulsa. Handled by memo.

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James

If the intelligence contained in the above message is to be disseminated outside the Bureau, it is suggested that it be suitably paraphrased in order to protect the Bureau's cryptographic systems.

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Date 5-22-68

RE: MURKIN

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Remarks: ReBulet 5-20-68.

In the event of inquiries regarding the identity of the sources of the reward money offered in the Murkin case, you may confidentially advise established sources that according to a compilation set forth in the April 27th edition of the "Commercial Appeal," Memphis, Tennessee, \$25,000 each has been offered by the "Commercial Appeal" and Scripps-Howard newspapers and that in addition, businessmen and citizens in Memphis have offered several thousands more and the Memphis City Council has under-written the reward up to a total of \$100,000.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, Albany

DATE: May 20, 1968

JW
FROM : Director, FBI

SUBJECT: MURKIN
PUBLICITY ON REWARDS OFFERED

Each Special Agent in Charge and Legal Attache is instructed to promptly remind their established cooperative news sources, in a discreet and tactful manner, of the existence of substantial reward money for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the killer of Dr. Martin Luther King. This money now totals at least \$100,000. The FBI should not, however, be publicized as the source of this reminder.

While the Bureau's continuing policy is to encourage the public to furnish information to law enforcement authorities as a matter of good citizenship, without expectation of financial reward, it is fully recognized that monetary rewards are often necessary to motivate some individuals. The knowledge of the existence of the substantial rewards available in the Murkin case could possibly prove of value in the solution of this major investigation.

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James [Signature]
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, OKLAHOMA CITY (44-686)

DATE: 5/23/68

FROM : SA DAVID J. LANG

SUBJECT: MURKIN

LOCATION OF ROBERT DALE PORTER

The following investigation was conducted at Oklahoma City to locate ROBERT DALE PORTER, following telephone call from JOE KELLY, Bureau Supervisor, Civil Rights Division, to Oklahoma City on 5/3/68:

On 5/3/68, 5/4/68, 5/7/68, 5/13/68, 5/17/68, and 5/21/68, CARMEN RAMAGE, 1642 N. W. 12th.

On 5/3/68, 5/8/68, 5/13/68, and 5/21/68, HAROLD BAILEY ATLEE, PCI, Blood Plasma Center, 505 West Main. PCI advised PORTER had given plasma on 4/19/68 and on 4/29/68, and gave the following information to the center: DOB 12/16/28; address 1642 N.W. 12th; telephone # JA 5-0945; military history Navy & Air Force 1943-1947.

On 5/3/68, and 5/22/68, WILYNE BEDWELL, World Blood Bank, 514 W. Sheridan, advised that ROBERT DALE PORTER, DOB 12/16/28, Social Security # [REDACTED] weight 180 pounds, blood group O, address 103½ E. Bremer, Waverly, Iowa, had given whole blood on 4/22/68, and would not be eligible to give blood again until 6/17/68.

On 5/3/68, 5/8/68, 5/14/68, and 5/21/68, KAREN ROBERTS, Records Bureau, Oklahoma City Police Department. Case Cards for ROBERT PORTER, WM, age 37 (1965), reflected a drunk charge on 8/14/65, File # 8615, and subject PORTER reported being robbed at the Sheridan Double R Bar 4/29/68, File # 9343. Files #8615 and # 9343 were reviewed and reflected no information of value in locating PORTER.

331 W. Sheridan
HERMAN SWAIN, Clerk, Hudson Hotel, /on 5/3/68, 5/6/68, 5/10/68, and 5/21/68. SWAIN advised PORTER stayed at the Hudson Hotel the night of 4/28/68, checking out on 4/29/68.

On 5/3/68, JOE WILLIAMS, Clerk, Osage Hotel, 213 South Hudson, and again on 5/22/68. PORTER did not stay at Osage Hotel.

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On 5/3/68, and 5/21/68, JOE EASTER, Clerk, Rex Hotel, 330 ½ W. Sheridan.

On 5/3/68, 5/15/68, and 5/23/68, PCI MIKE MC FARLAND, Cedar Lounge, 738 North Indiana. PCI advised that he had spoken with PORTER once before, but that he had not seen him in town and had not heard of his whereabouts.

On 5/3/68, 5/10/68, and 5/20/68, BERTHA WILSON and WINONA RISCH, Winnie's Tap Room, 424 W. Sheridan.

On 5/6/68, Mrs. C. T. DICKERSON, Mr. Penn Car Wash, 4017 No. Pennsylvania.

On 5/6/68, EMILY MC ADAMS, Parking Lot, 308 W. Sheridan.

On 5/6/68, RAY BRUNER, 307 W. California, Parking Lot.

On 5/7/68, JOAN WOOLLEY, 420 Oklahoma Maturity, 3rd & North Robinson, Service Specialists Employment Service.

On 5/7/68, and 5/20/68, JO SANDRA CULPEPPER, Key Personnel Employment Service, 201 Oil & Gas Building, 110 North Robinson.

On 5/7/68, and 5/20/68, MILDRED TOPHAM, Regency Personnel Service, 106 North Robinson.

On 5/7/68, and 5/20/68, JERRY BRUNER, Lola Grant Personnel, Inc., 316 Hale's Building, 107 North Robinson.

On 5/6/68, LOIS EDSALL, Oklahoma Clutch Supply, 800 W. Main.

LOWELL WICKHAM, Clerk, Western Hotel, 812 W. Main, on 5/3/68, and 5/21/68.

On 5/3/68, and 5/21/68, NADINE CRAWFORD, Cline No 1 Hotel, 121 South Harvey.

On 5/3/68, and 5/17/68, Cline Hotel No 2, 418½ W. Reno, JOHN HUMMER.

On 5/7/68, JAMES RALPH SPERRY, WM, DOB 11/21/35, employed Southwest Wheel, 814 West Sheridan, advised he had met PORTER on 4/26/68, on the corner of Hudson & Sheridan. He stated he had sent PORTER to the Blood Bank to obtain money when he had learned that PORTER was without funds. He had met PORTER again later that day and had had several beers with him at Winnie's Tap Room, and had last seen PORTER at about six p.m. that date. SPERRY had been previously contacted on 4/29/68, and had related the

above information and parts of the story of PORTER's whereabouts as related by PORTER when interviewed by BuAgents on 4/29/68. There appeared no discrepancies in PORTER's itinerary and the partial itinerary related by PORTER to SPERRY during conversation. SPERRY advised that at no time during his conversation with PORTER had the name JAMES EARL RAY been mentioned. It is also to be noted that SPERRY has a partially amputated hand and is probably the person referred to by CARMEN RAMAGE when previously interviewed.

On 5/3/68, 5/10/68, and 5/20/68, MINNIE HUGHES, Double R Bar, 510 W. Sheridan. HUGHES stated that she recalled PORTER having been in the bar and having several beers one night and having been robbed of five dollars on that occasion.

On 5/14/68, IVA KITCHENS, Chick's Burger Bar, 430 W. Sheridan, stated she recalled subject, but had not seen in approximately three weeks.

On 5/21/68, LLOYD HISE, 2105 No Peniel, Bethany, Oklahoma, employed 2728 N. W. 39th Expressway, Oklahoma City, stated that his father RECIL HERMAN HISE had given ROBERT PORTER a car ride from Barstow, California, to Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, where they had then spent the night of 4/27/68. He stated that PORTER had then inquired of the fastest way to go to Waverly, Iowa, and had then driven with HISE to Fort Smith, Arkansas, on 4/28/68, where his father had last seen PORTER. At that time RECIL HISE had believed PORTER was headed for Iowa to obtain construction work. HISE stated he did not know of the current whereabouts of his father, but stated he might be contacted at one of the following: 340 Doyle St., Portersville, California; Sugar Grove, Arkansas; Grove, Oklahoma; or c/o GENE & MAGGIE LITTLE, Robbins, California.

On 5/3/68, and 5/23/68, K RUSSELL HUBBART, Records, Oklahoma County Sheriff's Office, no record of PORTER.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC OKLAHOMA CITY (44-686) (P)

DATE: 5/24/68

FROM : SA J. A. GRIMES

SUBJECT: MURKIN
CR
OO Memphis

Re Bureau radiogram 5/21/68.

Bureau advised that since RAY is known to stay at "Flophouses" and lower class rooming houses, all offices should furnish copy of IO regarding RAY to Salvation Army and other charitable type missions.

Above instructions should be complied with in the following cities.

Tulsa
Muskogee
McAlester
Ardmore
Lawton

SUBJECT RAY SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS

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TO: DIRECTOR FBI (44-38861)
FROM: SAC OKLAHOMA CITY (44-686) (P)

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Re Oklahoma City airtel to Bureau 4/30/68; telephone call from JOE KELLY, Bureau Supervisor, Civil Rights Division to Oklahoma City 5/3/68; Oklahoma City teletype to Bureau 5/4/68; and Omaha teletype to Oklahoma City 5/4/68.

Re: LOCATION OF ROBERT DALE PORTER

The following is a summary of the investigation to re-locate ROBERT DALE PORTER after reBu telephone call.

At Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

CARMEN RAMAGE, 1642 N. W. 12th; PCI HAROLD BAILEY ATLEE, Blood Plasma Center, 505 West Main; HERMAN SWAIN, Clerk, Hudson Hotel, 331 W. Sheridan; PCI MIKE MC FARLAND, Cedar Lounge, 738 North Indiana; BERTHA WILSON and WINONA RISCH, Winnie's Tap Room, 424 W. Sheridan; JAMES RALPH SPERRY, 814 W. Sheridan; and MINNIE HUGHES, Double R Bar, 510 W. Sheridan, have been contacted on a continuing basis since they are acquainted with PORTER and are persons he would logically contact if he were in Oklahoma City. None of the above persons have observed PORTER or heard of his whereabouts in Oklahoma City since he

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was last interviewed by BuAgents 4/29/68 at Oklahoma City. In addition to the above, contact has been made with numerous other sources in Oklahoma City without determining PORTER's whereabouts. All of the above have indicated they would notify the FBI immediately should any of them learn of PORTER's whereabouts.

LEADS

OMAHA DIVISION

At Waverly, Iowa

Will maintain contact with PORTER's family, and will set out logical leads to contact relatives of PORTER in an attempt to determine present whereabouts. Will advise Oklahoma City when ROBERT DALE PORTER located so that contact with logical persons in Oklahoma City may be terminated.

KANSAS CITY DIVISION

At Jefferson City, Missouri

Will advise Oklahoma City and Omaha results of interview with ex-guard JOHN STOUT when located and whether or not he is identical with ex-guard mentioned by PORTER to RAMAGE in telephone conversation so that contact with logical persons and family may be discontinued.

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TELETYPE

URGENT

TO: DIRECTOR AND SAC, LITTLE ROCK

FROM: SAC, DENVER (157-203) 4P

MURKIN. ✓

RE TELCALL TO LITTLE ROCK THIS DATE.

ON MAY TWENTYTHIRD INSTANT, REX HARDY BASINGER,

ONE FOUR ONE SIX DOWNING, APARTMENT TWO, DENVER, ADVISED
THAT HE RECEIVED A COLLECT CALL FROM ⁸⁹⁻⁴¹⁻²⁴³EDGAR EUGENE BRADLEY
IN TULSA, OKLAHOMA, ABOUT ONE PM, MAY SEVENTEEN LAST.

BASINGER STATED GREW UP WITH GENE BRADLEY, RUDY, ARKANSAS,
AND ATTENDED SCHOOL WITH HIM IN ALMA. BRADLEY LEFT HIGH
SCHOOL TO JOIN NAVY IN NINETEEN THIRTYTHREE. BASINGER SAW
BRADLEY ONCE SINCE THEN IN DECEMBER, NINETEEN SIXTYTHREE
OR JANUARY, NINETEEN SIXTYFOUR, IN DALLAS, TEXAS. ACCI-
DENTALLY MET HIM IN TAVERN IN DALLAS. DESCRIBED BRADLEY AS
FIVE FEET ELEVEN, STRAWBERRY BLOND, FRECKLES, UNKNOWN TATTOOS,
ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY POUNDS, FIFTYONE YEARS OF AGE. HAS
MOTHER WHOSE NAME MAY BE MRS. JOE "JAKE" FINE IN RUDY,
ARK. DURING CALL ON MAY SEVENTEEN, BRADLEY APPEARED TO
BE DRUNK AND TO BE CALLING FROM A TAVERN. BASINGER STATED

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BRADLEY MAY HAVE RELATIONS IN TULSA. BRADLEY INDICATED MIGHT BE PASSING THROUGH DENVER SOMETIME IN NEAR FUTURE. ASKED BASINGER IF BASINGER SAW HIM ON CBS TV AND INDICATED THAT HE WAS ONE OF THOSE INDICTED BY DISTRICT ATTORNEY GARRISON, NEW ORLEANS, INVOLVED IN KENNEDY ASSASSINATION CONSPIRACY. COMMENTED TO BASINGER "WE FAMOUS PEOPLE RUN TOGETHER," AND STATED THAT HE HAD BEEN LIVING IN TULSA WITH ERIC GALT FOR ABOUT A WEEK. BASINGER ASKED WHO GALT WAS AND BRADLEY ASKED BASINGER IF HE HAD HEARD OF JAMES RAY. WHEN BASINGER STATED HE HAD NOT BRADLEY SAID THAT HE WAS THE ONE WHO "KNOCKED OVER KING, JR." BASINGER STATED HE TRIED TO DETERMINE WHERE BRADLEY WAS STAYING BUT COULD NOT. HE BELIEVED THAT BRADLEY WAS ONCE ON THE WEST COAST, POSSIBLY AT SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA, WHERE HE PREACHED AS A NON-DENOMINATIONAL PREACHER. DURING THE CONVERSATION HE INDICATED HE MAY BE RETURNING TO THE WEST COAST.

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BASINGER STATED THAT HE RECEIVED ANOTHER TELEPHONE CALL FROM BRADLEY AT SEVEN TEN AM THIS DATE. TELEPHONE CALL WAS CUT OFF FOR UNKNOWN REASON BUT WAS NOT A COLLECT CALL. OPERATOR WHO PUT BRADLEY ON THE LINE INDICATED THAT CALL WAS BEING CHARGED, BUT BASINGER FEELS IT WAS CHARGED TO SOMEONE IN FORT SMITH, ARK., FROM WHERE THE LATEST CALL ORIGINATED. DURING THE SHORT CONVERSATION BRADLEY INDICATED HE HAD BEEN EATING AT THE OLD SOUTH RESTAURANT, SEVEN ONE FOUR TOWSON AVE., FORT SMITH, ARK., WHICH RESTAURANT IS RUN BY A COUSIN OF BASINGER, MRS. ELBA BASINGER THOMPSON, AND WAS APPARENTLY PLACING THE CALL FROM THAT RESTAURANT. HE INDICATED THAT HE WENT TO FORT SMITH TO SEE THE RESULTS OF THE RECENT TORNADO IN THAT AREA, AND THAT HE PLANNED TO HEAD WEST AFTER LEAVING FORT SMITH.

LITTLE ROCK AT FT. SMITH IS REQUESTED TO CONTACT MRS. THOMPSON AT THE OLD SOUTH RESTAURANT AND THROUGH HER LOCATE BRADLEY. BRADLEY SHOULD BE INTERVIEWED FOR ANY

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KNOWLEDGE OF JAMES EARL RAY AND ACTIVITIES WHILE IN TULSA.

IN THE EVENT BRADLEY NOT LOCATED, FT. SMITH, BUREAU PERMISSION TO CHECK FOR COLLECT CHARGES AGAINST TELEPHONE USED BY BASINGER IS REQUESTED. BASINGER AGREEABLE AND LEAD CAN BE COVERED WITHOUT EMBARRASSMENT TO THE BUREAU THROUGH ESTABLISHED SOURCE. NO FEDERAL GRAND JURY IN SESSION.

MEMPHIS AS OFFICE OF ORIGIN AND ^{*Oklahoma City*} TULSA, WHO MAY HAVE SUBSEQUENT LEADS, BEING FURNISHED COPIES BY AIR MAIL.

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TO: DIRECTOR (44-38861) AND LITTLE ROCK

FROM: DENVER (157-203)

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MURKIN

REMYTEL AND LITTLE ROCK TELETYPE TO DENVER INSTANT DATE.

LITTLE ROCK ADVISED INTERVIEW OF THOMPSONS AT OLD SOUTH RESTAURANT, FORT SMITH, ARKANSAS, REVEALED THEY DO NOT KNOW EDGAR EUGENE BRADLEY AND NO ONE BY THAT NAME HAS WORKED OR BEEN TAKING MEALS AT THE RESTAURANT. THE THOMPSONS AND OTHER RELATIVES OF REX BASINGER ADVISE BASINGER IS MENTAL CASE AND TENDS TO ASSOCIATE HIMSELF WITH CRIMINAL CASES RECEIVING NATIONWIDE ATTENTION. THEY ADVISED LITTLE ROCK OFFICE THAT BASINGER LAST IN FORT SMITH ABOUT THREE YEARS AGO, AT WHICH TIME HE CLAIMED HE HAD BEEN IN A CELL WITH JACK RUBY IN DALLAS, TEXAS. INVESTIGATION REVEALED THIS WAS FALSE STATEMENT AND A DOCTOR AT PARKLAND HOSPITAL, DALLAS, EXAMINED BASINGER AND FOUND PROBABLE PSYCHOSIS AND POSSIBLE BRAIN SYNDROME.

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RECORDS, FORT SMITH CREDIT BUREAU, POLICE DEPARTMENT, AND SHERIFF'S OFFICE, NEGATIVE REGARDING BRADLEY. FILES OF DENVER OFFICE BEAR OUT MENTAL INSTABILITY OF BASINGER, BUT IT IS BELIEVED THAT WHEREABOUTS OF BRADLEY SHOULD BE ESTABLISHED IF POSSIBLE.

BUREAU REQUESTED TO ADVISE WHETHER BUREAU FILES CONTAIN ANY INFORMATION REGARDING THIS BRADLEY.

LITTLE ROCK REQUESTED TO ATTEMPT TO LOCATE MRS. JOE "JAKE" FINE, ALLEGEDLY THE MOTHER OF BRADLEY, IN RUDY, ARKANSAS AND DETERMINE WHEREABOUTS OF BRADLEY.

DENVER STILL INTERESTED IN CHECKING TELEPHONE RECORDS OF BASINGER'S TELEPHONE FOR ALLEGED CALL FROM BRADLEY WHILE IN TULSA.

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TO DIRECTOR 44-38861 AND DENVER 157-203

FROM OKLAHOMA CITY 44-686

MURKIN

RE DENVEL TELS TO DIRECTOR MAY TWENTYTHREE LAST.

RE: EDGAR EUGENE BRADLEY

FILES OKLAHOMA CITY OFFICE REFLECT LHM SUBMITTED TO BUREAU JANUARY NINE LAST AND JANUARY TEN LAST UNDER CAPTION QUOTE ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY, NOVEMBER TWENTYTWO, NINETEEN SIXTYTHREE, DALLAS, TEXAS UNQUOTE WHICH CONTAINS INFORMATION REGARDING EDGAR EUGENE BRADLEY FURNISHED BY TULSA, OKLA. ATTORNEY ROEHM WEST, AND COPY OF NEWSPAPER CLIPPING PERTAINING TO BRADLEY WHICH APPEARED IN THE TULSA TRIBUNE ON JANUARY NINE LAST.

ABOVE COMMUNICATIONS REVEAL BRADLEY HAD RECENTLY SURRENDERED TO LOS ANGELES AUTHORITIES FOLLOWING A CONSPIRACY CHARGE FILED BY NEW ORLEANS DISTRICT ATTORNEY JIM GARRISON. NEWSPAPER ARTICLE REFLECTED BRADLEY EMPLOYED AS A PUBLIC RELATIONS MAN FOR DR. CARL MC INTIRE AN EVANGELIST AND APPARENTLY RESIDING IN NORTH HOLLYWOOD, CALIFORNIA.

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ATTORNEY WEST FURNISHED INFO ON JANUARY EIGHT LAST HE HAD FEMALE CLIENT, WHOM HE REFUSED TO IDENTIFY, WHO RESIDES IN TULSA, WHO HAD ADVISED BRADLEY WAS IN TULSA FOR TWO DAYS PRECEEDING THE ASSASSINATION OF KENNEDY. WEST'S CLIENT HAD ADVISED THAT AFTER THE RECENT ARREST OF BRADLEY HE HAD CONTACTED HER ATTEMPTING TO HAVE HER SIGN AFFIDAVIT THAT HE WAS IN TULSA AT TIME OF THE ASSASSINATION.

OKLAHOMA CITY CONDUCTING INVESTIGATION TO DETERMINE IF BRADLEY WAS IN TULSA ON MAY SEVENTEEN LAST AS REPORTED BY REX HARDY BASINGER.

AIR MAIL COPIES TO MEMPHIS AND LITTLE ROCK

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC OKLAHOMA CITY (44-686) (P)

DATE: 5/24/68

FROM : SA J. A. GRIMES

SUBJECT: MURKIN
CR
OO Memphis

The Bureau has advised that in view of the fact Subject JAMES EARL RAY spent a considerable sum of money from April 23, 1967, to April 4, 1968, and the source of his money has not been determined, consideration should be given to requesting Police Departments to display RAY's photograph to witnesses in their unsolved robberies.

All Agents receiving this lead should discuss this matter with the Police Departments and Sheriff's Offices in their territory and if they have any unsolved robberies during the period 4/23/67 to date with available witnesses, they should be requested to display photograph of RAY to these witnesses.

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Ardmore RA
Clinton
Durant
Enid
Lawton - SPURGERS and HUTCHINGS
McAlester
Miami
Muskogee
Norman
Ponca City
Poteau
Shawnee
El Reno - DUNCAN
Guthrie - HARRISON

SUBJECT JAMES EARL RAY SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

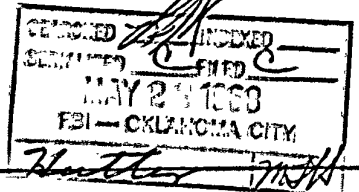
FROM: SAC, SAN ANTONIO (44-1242) (P)

RE: MURKIN
CR

Re Butel, 4/25/68, to El Paso, Houston and San Antonio, advising that each office should determine from telephone company the long-distance calls placed at each public telephone on Highway 90 and Interstate Highway 10 over which subject and CHARLES STEIN allegedly traveled 12/15-17/67. Subject reportedly made eight long-distance telephone calls while in Texas.

Set forth by field divisions are some of the telephone calls made from the San Antonio Division, 12/15-17/67, which were obtained from available Southwestern Bell Telephone Company records. The various field division will determine from the subscriber or person receiving the call, the identity of the caller. If the caller was JAMES EARL RAY, aka, obtain

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2-Denver	2-Pittsburgh
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all available information. Further, determine if the subscriber or the person receiving the call has any knowledge of JAMES EARL RAY.

REQUEST OF THE BUREAU

The Bureau is requested to furnish Legat, Mexico City two copies of this airtel and set forth the same lead for Legat, Mexico as set forth for the other recipient offices listed above.

<u>DATE</u> <u>LEGAT, MEXICO</u>	<u>CALLING NUMBER</u>	<u>CALLED NUMBER</u>	<u>PLACE AND/OR PERSON CALLED</u>
12/16/67	223-8252	1227	Sabinas, Coahuila, Mexico
12/17/67	278-9068	1250	Rosita, Coahuila, Mexico
12/15/67	223-7920	427056	Records show to "Lerdo, Mex." Place "Monty"
12/16/67	223-8252	427056	Monterrey, Mexico
12/17/67	223-8252	468515	Mexico City
<u>ALBUQUERQUE</u>			
12/16/67	563-9704	505-877-9947	To JENNY SHOUP
<u>ATLANTA</u>			
12/15/67	875-9087	404-544-2190	Columbus, Georgia
<u>BALTIMORE</u>			
12/15/67	563-9793	301-675-0381	
12/16/67	563-9719	301-675-0381	
<u>CHICAGO</u>			
12/16/67	223-8252	312-847-4122	
12/16/67	432-9322	312-533-1084	

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<u>DALLAS</u>			
12/16/67	278-9012	214-247-6949	
12/17/67	432-9277	214-295-5689	
12/16/67	278-9194	214-351-6970	
12/15/67	223-8148	214-374-6379	
12/15/67	278-9041	214-465-0015	
12/15/67	278-9086	214-748-5851	
12/17/67	278-9194	806-362-7797	
12/16/67	278-9030	806-364-0709	
12/16/67	278-9066	806-364-4789	
12/15/67	223-0300	806-373-1108	
12/15/67	223-7271	806-385-5322	
12/17/67	278-9068	806-765-5963	
<u>DENVER</u>			
12/17/67	379-9059	303-641-1586	Gunnison, Colorado
<u>DETROIT</u>			
12/17/67	379-9953	517-867-3781	Gustine
12/17/67	432-9447	616-236-5598	Miss SNEAA WATKINS Tolman, Michigan
<u>INDIANAPOLIS</u>			
12/15/67	674-9919	317-473-7263	

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<u>DATE</u>	<u>CALLING NUMBER</u>	<u>CALLED NUMBER</u>	<u>PLACE AND/OR PERSON CALLED</u>
12/15/67	875-9079	317-963-2331	Sharpstown, Indiana
12/17/67	379-9925	219-456-2832	Fort Wayne, Indiana

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Calling No.</u>	<u>Called No.</u>	<u>Place and/or Person Called</u>
<u>JACKSON</u>			
12/17/67	674-9919	601-475-7722	
12/17/67	432-9005	601-762-3813	
<u>JACKSONVILLE</u>			
12/17/67	875-9055	904-433-1459	Pensacola, Fla.
<u>KANSAS CITY</u>			
12/15/67	674-9761	913-539-4300	
<u>LITTLE ROCK</u>			
12/16/67	223-7271	501-375-6561	
12/16/67	432-9005	501-624-4536	VELMA THOMPSON
12/17/67	432-9277	501-835-3481	WORKMAN
<u>LOS ANGELES</u>			
12/15/67	223-8266	213-231-5482	
12/17/67	988-7491	213-429-9378	
12/17/67	223-7271	213-663-3675	
12/16/67	379-9092	714-540-7240	Santa Ana, Calif.
<u>MEMPHIS</u>			
12/15/67	223-8080	901-947-1819	Memphis, to RUBY SIMONS or SIMORS
<u>NEW HAVEN</u>			
12/17/67	223-7689	203-754-6121	Waterbury, Conn., from Miss JAMES, Room 319, Palace Hotel

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Calling No.</u>	<u>Called No.</u>	<u>Place and/or Person Called</u>
<u>NEW YORK</u>			
12/16/67	432-9407	212-588-7147	
12/16/67	379-9059	914-343-3240	Middletown, N.Y.
<u>OKLAHOMA CITY</u>			
12/17/67	674-9919	405-771-3268	<i>PRI-3268 E.J. AVBERT 8716 NE 52</i>
<u>OMAHA</u>			
12/17/67	379-9084	515-388-4928	
<u>PITTSBURGH</u>			
12/17/67	432-9595	304-727-8137	St. Albans, West Virginia
<u>SAN FRANCISCO</u>			
12/17/67	223-7765	415-654-4366	

Unless pertinent information is developed during the course of the investigation requested above which pertains to the San Antonio Division, it is not necessary to advise the San Antonio Division of the results.

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TO: ALL FIELD DIVISIONS

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FM: WASHINGTON

MURKIN

IN VIEW OF FACT THAT SUBJECT SPENT A CONSIDERABLE SUM OF MONEY FROM APRIL 23, 1967 TO APRIL 4, 1968, AND THE SOURCE OF HIS MONEY HAS NOT BEEN DETERMINED, HIS PHOTOGRAPH SHOULD BE DISPLAYED TO APPROPRIATE WITNESSES IN UNSOLVED BANK ROBBERIES AND BANK BURGLARIES IN THOSE INSTANCES WHERE WITNESSES ARE AVAILABLE. YOU SHOULD ALSO CONSIDER THE REQUESTING OF POLICE DEPARTMENT S TO DISPLAY PHOTOGRAPH OF RAY TO WITNESSES IN THEIR UNSOLVED ROBBERIES.

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TOR 4:13 CDT P.M.

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*Handled by SA John Flanagan
no involved Bank Robberies or
Burglaries with available
witnesses*

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Via Airtel _____

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To: All SACs
LEGATS, Mexico City
Ottawa

From: Director, FBI (44-38861)

MURKIN

For your information and investigative assistance, subject James Earl Ray has been known to consort with prostitutes and "street bums." A photograph of subject was obtained from a prostitute in Mexico. This photograph showing subject wearing sunglasses was previously forwarded to your office.

This should be borne in mind in your daily contact with informants, officers of vice squads and prostitutes in covering leads in connection with this and other cases.

Armed and dangerous.

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TO: DALLAS (44-2649)
FROM: MEMPHIS (44-1987) 1P

MURKIN.

RE DALLAS AIRTEL MAY SIXTEEN LAST RE TELEPHONE CALLS BY
SUBJECT RAY ENROUTE FROM LOS ANGELES TO NEW ORLEANS.

THE PERTINENT TELEPHONE NUMBER MENTIONED IN RE AIRTEL
IS DA ONE - ONE TWO NINE SEVEN AT DALLAS; HOWEVER, EXTENSIVE
INVESTIGATION WAS CONDUCTED TO LOCATE V. MAI TEDDER, WHO
APPARENTLY HAS TELEPHONE NUMBER DA EIGHT - FIVE FIVE THREE
THREE.

DALLAS DETERMINE IF TELEPHONE NUMBER DA ONE - ONE TWO
NINE SEVEN WAS SUBSCRIBED TO BY TEDDER DECEMBER SIXTY SEVEN
AND IF NOT DETERMINE SUBSCRIBER TO THIS NUMBER FOR THAT
PERIOD AND CONDUCT LOGICAL INVESTIGATION.

OKLAHOMA CITY ADVISED BY AIRMAIL.

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TO DIRECTOR 44-38861, DENVER, AND OKLAHOMA CITY 44-686
FROM OMAHA 44-310 2P

MURKIN.

RE TELCALL FROM JOE KELLY, BUREAU SUPERVISOR, CIVIL RIGHTS
DIVISION, TO OKLAHOMA CITY, MAY THREE LAST; OKLAHOMA CITY TEL
TO BUREAU, MAY FOUR LAST; AND OKLAHOMA CITY AIRTEL TO BUREAU
MAY TWO FOUR LAST.

FOR INFO OF DENVER OFFICE, INTERVIEW WITH CARMEN RAMAGE
INDICATED ROBERT DALE PORTER, ASSOCIATE OF RAY AT MISSOURI
STATE PENITENTIARY, TOLD HER THAT EX GUARD HAD OBTAINED UNIFORM
USED BY RAY IN ESCAPE; AND INTERVIEW WITH PORTER NAMED EX GUARD
JOHN STOUT AS PERSON SUPPLYING AMPHETAMINES TO RAY IN MISSOURI
STATE PENITENTIARY. KELLY REQUESTED IMMEDIATE DETERMINATION
BE MADE WHETHER ABOVE-MENTIONED GUARDS IDENTICAL AND IF NOT
EFFORTS TO BE MADE TO IDENTIFY UNKNOWN GUARD AND RESULTS
FURNISHED BUREAU.

CARMEN RAMAGE ADVISED OKLAHOMA CITY OFFICE PORTER DID
NOT MENTION NAME OF GUARD AND DID NOT MENTION EX GUARD
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SUPPLYING AMPHETAMINES TO RAY OR OTHER INMATES. EFFORTS TO LOCATE PORTER NEGATIVE AT WAVERLY, IOWA.

ON INSTANT DATE JAMES LEEMON, BREMER COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE, WAVERLY, IOWA, ADVISED HE WAS IN RECEIPT OF COMMUNICATION FROM SHERIFF'S OFFICE SHERIDAN, WYOMING INDICATING THAT ROBERT DALE PORTER IN CUSTODY AT SHERIDAN AND BEING HELD UNDER A CHARGE OF GRAND LARCENY.

DENVER AT SHERIDAN, WYOMING, WILL INTERVIEW PORTER TO DETERMINE IDENTITY OF ABOVE-MENTIONED GUARDS.

AIR MAIL COPY TO MEMPHIS.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, OKLAHOMA CITY (44-686) (P)

DATE: 5/24/68

FROM : SA MICHAEL F. HUTTER

SUBJECT: MURKIN
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Re San Antonio Airtel to Bureau, 5/20/68

The following investigation was conducted by SAs MICHAEL F. HUTTER and DAVID J. LANG:

At Spencer, Oklahoma

On 5/24/68, Miss JAN AUBERT, 8716 N.E 52nd Street, advised as follows:

She is a student at Central State College, Edmond, Oklahoma. Her mother, Mrs. IRMA AUBERT, and her are the only occupants of the aforementioned address. Mrs. AUBERT is the subscriber to telephone number 405-771-3268 (listed in reairtel); and, she was the subscriber to this number in December, 1967. Miss AUBERT is certain that the call received at this number on 12/17/67 from San Antonio, Texas was made to her by her boyfriend, BUTCH LOVE. LOVE is in the Air Force; and, on the date of this call, he was stationed at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio. LOVE has since been transferred to duty with the Air Force in Viet Nam, having been so transferred on 12/27/67.

Miss AUBERT furnished the above information in the presence of her mother, Mrs. AUBERT. Mrs. AUBERT, herself, was unable to furnish any additional information.

Both Miss AUBERT and Mrs. AUBERT were exhibited photographs of JAMES EARL RAY. Both were unable to effect an identification of same. Both also advised that the name, JAMES EARL RAY, was entirely unfamiliar to them with the exception of what they had heard and seen in the news concerning RAY.

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The following investigation was conducted relating to the telephone call made December 17, 1967, from telephone number 674-9919 in the San Antonio, Texas, area to Oklahoma City telephone number 405-771-3268. This investigation was conducted on May 24, 1968, by SAs MICHAEL F. HUTTER and DAVID J. LANG.

At Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Miss JAN AUBERT, 8716 N.E. 52nd Street, advised that she and her mother, Mrs. IRMA AUBERT, are the only occupants of this address and that Mrs. AUBERT is the subscriber to telephone number 405-771-3268, and was the subscriber to this telephone number in December, 1967. Miss AUBERT advised the telephone call received at this time on December 17, 1967, from San Antonio, Texas, was made to her by her boy friend, BUTCH LOVE. She stated LOVE is in the Air Force and on the date of this call he was stationed at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas. LOVE has since been transferred to duty with the Air Force in Viet Nam, having been so transferred on December 27, 1967.

Miss AUBERT furnished the above information in the presence of her mother, Mrs. AUBERT. Mrs. AUBERT was unable to furnish any additional information.

Both Miss AUBERT and Mrs. AUBERT were exhibited photographs of JAMES EARL RAY and were unable to effect an identification. Both also advised that the name JAMES EARL RAY was entirely unfamiliar to them with the exception of news items they had seen and heard concerning RAY.

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AIRMAIL

TO: DIRECTOR FBI (44-38861)
FROM: SAC OKLAHOMA CITY (44-686) (P)

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OO Memphis

Re San Antonio airtel to Director 5/20/68

Re: Telephone Calls of JAMES EARL RAY in
Texas During Period 12/15-17/67

Enclosed for the Bureau are 2 copies and for
Memphis 15 copies of an investigative insert reflecting
investigation conducted at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, relative
to telephone call made from San Antonio area on 12/17/67
to Oklahoma City telephone 405-771-3268, by SAs MICHAEL F.
HUTTER and DAVID J. LANG.

JAMES EARL RAY SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC OKLAHOMA CITY (44-686) (P)

DATE: 5/27/68

FROM : SA DELMER R. EXON

SUBJECT: MURKIN
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OO Memphis

Re Denver tel 5/23/68.

Re: EDGAR EUGENE BRADLEY

The following investigation was conducted by SA
DELMER R. EXON.

At Tulsa, Oklahoma

On 5/24/68 ROEHM WEST, Attorney, Enterprise Building, advised that several months ago he received a long distance telephone call from EDGAR EUGENE BRADLEY, North Hollywood, California, which concerned an affidavit BRADLEY had been trying to obtain from his client, BETTY HELM. BRADLEY has previously written several letters to WEST concerning this same matter, the latest correspondence being received several weeks ago. WEST said he had not heard from BRADLEY during May, 1968, and had no information that he was in Tulsa during the recent past. He said he was quite certain BRADLEY would have called him if he had been in Tulsa area.

BETTY HELM, 3 Woodward Boulevard, who requested her identity be concealed, advised on 5/24/68, that she has been acquainted with EDGAR EUGENE BRADLEY since 1937. In November, 1962 BRADLEY visited her in Tulsa and left, presumably to go to his residence in California. BRADLEY was with HELM on November 19 and 20, 1962. He left her residence in the early morning hours of the 20th. Since BRADLEY became involved in the GARRISON investigation at New Orleans, he has been trying to get HELM to furnish him with an affidavit concerning his whereabouts during November, 1962. HELM has declined to furnish such an affidavit.

She said she received telephone calls from BRADLEY on May 2 and May 19, 1968. She presumed these telephone calls were long distance from his residence at North Hollywood, California. In one of the calls he mentioned that his telephone

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bill was high and he would rather not make so many telephone calls pertaining to the affidavit he has been trying to obtain. HELM stated she has simply referred BRADLEY to her attorney. She said she had no information that BRADLEY has been in the Tulsa area during the recent past and she felt that if he had been in the Tulsa area he undoubtedly would have called her.

HELM further stated that she has never had any reason to think that BRADLEY would physically harm anyone. She had never known him to be engaged in any plot of any kind. Although BRADLEY is a radical anti-Communist, she has no information concerning his views on racial matters.

HELM stated that when in Tulsa, BRADLEY normally stayed at the Adams Hotel.

WANDA BALLARD, Clerk, Adams Hotel, advised on 5/24/68 that a search of her records failed to reflect that BRADLEY was a guest at any time during, May, 1968.

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The following investigation was conducted by SA
DELMER R. EXON, on May 24, 1968.

At Tulsa, Oklahoma

ROEHM WEST, Attorney, Enterprise Building, identified his client, who has been in contact with EDGAR EUGENE BRADLEY, North Hollywood, California, as being BETTY HELM, 3 Woodward Boulevard, Tulsa, Oklahoma.

BETTY HELM, 3 Woodward Boulevard, who requested her identity be concealed, advised that she has been acquainted with EDGAR EUGENE BRADLEY since 1937. In November, 1962, BRADLEY visited her in Tulsa and left, presumably to go to his residence in California. BRADLEY was with HELM on November 19, and 20, 1962. He left her residence in the early morning hours of the 20th. Since BRADLEY became involved in the GARRISON investigation at New Orleans, he has been trying to get HELM to furnish him with an affidavit concerning his whereabouts during November, 1962. HELM has declined to furnish such an affidavit.

She said she received telephone calls from BRADLEY on May 2, and May 19, 1968. She presumed these telephone calls were long distance from his residence at North Hollywood, California. In one of the calls he mentioned that his telephone bill was high and he would rather not make so many telephone calls pertaining to the affidavit he has been trying to obtain. HELM stated she has simply referred BRADLEY to her attorney. She said she had no information that BRADLEY has been in the Tulsa area during the recent past and she felt that if he had been in the Tulsa area he undoubtedly would have called her.

HELM further stated that she has never had any reason to think that BRADLEY would physically harm anyone. She had never known him to be engaged in any plot of any kind. Although BRADLEY is a radical anti-Communist, she has no information concerning his views on racial matters. HELM stated that when in Tulsa, BRADLEY normally stayed at the Adams Hotel.

WANDA BALLARD, Clerk, Adams Hotel, advised that a search of her records failed to reflect that BRADLEY was a guest at any time during May, 1968.

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