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Re: James Earl Ray

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CORRESPONDENCE TO:

THE COMMISSIONER
ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE
OTTAWA, CANADA
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YOUR NO.
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OUR NO. 68HQ-791-Q-60
NOTRE NO

February 8, 1973.

Mr. Moss Lee Innes,
c/o United States Embassy,
OTTAWA, Ontario.

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ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE EXHIBIT REPORT

RCMP FILE REFERENCES 68 C 190-19	DIV. C	SUB-DIV. Montreal C.I.B.	DATE 24-1-68
68 GIS 790-107	DET. Montreal G.I.S.	EX. REPORT NO. 37	PAGE 1
RE: Dr. Martin Luther KING - Murder of; ASSISTANCE TO F.B.I.			
I, <u>Cst. G.W.J. Mousseau</u> CAME INTO POSSESSION OF THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED GOODS ON <u>18 APR 68</u> AT <u>Pont Vieu, Quebec</u> BY <u>having same</u> <u>voluntarily handed over by the owner of Harkay Apts., 2589 Notre</u> <u>Dame East, Montreal, Quebec, one Harry Rothman.</u>			

EXHIBITS LISTED BELOW ARE TO BE GIVEN ITEM NUMBERS IN CONSECUTIVE ORDER

EXHIBIT ITEM NO.	DESCRIPTION	RECIPIENT SIGNATURE AND DATE	WITNESS INITIALS
1	1 Lease, duly signed by Rothman and Galt, dated the 19 JUL 68 Cst. (G.W.J. Mousseau) 22370. Mtl. C.I.B. G.I.S.		

ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE EXHIBIT REPORT

RCMP FILE REFERENCES 68B-771-4-60 68C-190-19	DIV. "C"	SUB-DIV.	DATE 10 JUN 68
68CIS-790-107	DET. Montreal CIS-CIS	EX. REPORT NO. 68/41	PAGE 1
RE: Dr. Martin Luther KING - Murder of Assistance to F.B.I.			
H.P.T. POWER, Corporal			
CAME INTO POSSESSION OF THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED GOODS ON 10 JUNE 68 AT Montreal, Quebec BY obtaining same through investigation and holding same for investigation and evidence purposes.			

EXHIBITS LISTED BELOW ARE TO BE GIVEN ITEM NUMBERS IN CONSECUTIVE ORDER

EXHIBIT ITEM NO.	DESCRIPTION	RECIPIENT SIGNATURE AND DATE	WITNESS INITIALS
#1	Sample of material for Order #11526		
#2	Order and Measurements #L-11526		
#3	Receipt #320422 for Order #11526, with sample of material attached.		
#4	Store Record for order #11526		
#5	Letter received from GALT, dated the 9-6-67		
#6	Canadian Postal Receipt dated SEP 9-67 for Order #11526.		
#7	A Canada Customs Export-Entry Form, Port of 66229 for Order #11526.		
#8	Label from the HIGHLAND AND SCOTCH WOOLLEN CO. LTD.		
#9	Sales slip #RB-239758, dated the 19-7-67		
	CERTIFIED-CORRECT:		
	Cpl. (H.P.T. POWER) 19/10. Montreal C.I.B. -GIS		
	NOTE: Above items are held in Mtl GI Section strong box pending further investigations.		

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April 21, 1970.

Mr. J. Clyde Mason,
Assistant Attorney General,
Shelby County Office Building,
157 Poplar Avenue,
Memphis, Tenn, 38103,
U.S.A.

Dear Sir:

While assisting in the investigation of the murder of Martin Luther King, this Force came into possession of the following exhibits:-

On June 3, 1968, from Mrs. Loo, at 962 Dundas Street, West Toronto:-

- 1) One blue vinyl flight bag, dark blue in colour
- 2) One metal strong box, grey in colour
- 3) Six rolls of "Super 8" Kodachrome II Colour Movie film cartridges
- 4) One jar of Stein's Cold Cream, 8 oz. size.
- 5) One bottle of Lepage's Mucilage
- 6) Ten Band-Aids
- 7) Two identical keys for strong box
- 8) One Street Map for City of Montreal, Que.
- 9) One map of Canada and the Northern United States
- 10) One Nights combination street map and directory for the City of Toronto

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three brown paper bags. One containing the name "Mac's Milk".

- 12) One Polaroid Self-Timer #192
- 13) One Cardboard Folder (Advertisement for Seal-Rite Plastics).

One June 5, 1968, from Mabel M. Agnew at the Arcade Photo Studio, 137 Yonge Street, Toronto:-

- 14) One photo-negative of a Passport type Photograph purporting to be that of one, Paul Bridgeman.
- 15) One copy of the Bill of Sale dated 11 APR 68, covering the sale of the photographs produced from the above negative.

Provided the items are not now required as exhibits in the Ray case, we propose returning the photograph and Bill of Sale to Arcade Photo Studio and destroying the remainder of the exhibits, they having no commercial value. Prior to doing so, however, I would appreciate confirmation that they are no longer required by your office.

Your early consideration of this matter would be appreciated.

Yours truly,



R.E. Muir, S/Insp.,
Assistant Officer in Charge,
Criminal Investigation Branch.

TRT:jv

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WILLIAM D. HAYNES
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

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ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL
H. J. BEACH
INVESTIGATOR
PHONE 534-9250

PHIL M. CANALE, JR.
DISTRICT ATTORNEY GENERAL
FIFTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF TENNESSEE
COUNTY OF SHELBY

SHELBY COUNTY OFFICE BUILDING
157 POPLAR AVENUE
MEMPHIS, TENN. 38103
PHONE 901-534-9251

July 7, 1972

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A. T. McHaffie, Superintendent
Assistant Officer in Charge
Criminal Investigation Branch
Royal Canadian Mounted Police
Ottawa 7, Canada

RE: Your No. 68HQ-791-Q-60 (V 6)

Dear Superintendent McHaffie:

In reference to your letters of June 28, and April 28, 1972, this is to advise that while the Supreme Court of the State of Tennessee has affirmed the conviction and guilty plea of James Earl Ray, it is our understanding from the defense attorneys that they intend now to file further proceedings in the Federal Court system. We should know something on this within the next six (6) months.

We should like to prevail on your good offices and continued cooperation in this matter to preserve the evidence in this matter until it is finally terminated.

Thank you again for your cooperation.

Very truly yours,

J. Clyde Mason (sd)

J. CLYDE MASON
ASSISTANT DISTRICT
ATTORNEY GENERAL

JCM/sd

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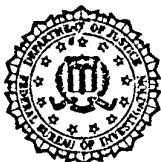
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Memphis, Tennessee
March 1, 1973

JAMES EARL RAY;
-DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. - VICTIM;
CIVIL RIGHTS - CONSPIRACY

On February 20, 1973, Mr. J. Clyde Mason, Assistant District Attorney General, 15th Judicial Circuit of Tennessee, Memphis, Tennessee, advised that James Earl Ray has exhausted all remedies in the Tennessee State Courts and has now filed suit in the United States District Court for the Middle District of Tennessee at Nashville, Tennessee, in an effort to win a new trial.

Mr. Mason has stated that until such time as James Earl Ray has exhausted all remedies in the Federal Court system, the State of Tennessee must be prepared to go to trial in this case if so ordered.

Mr. Mason stated he regrets any inconvenience that this might cause the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, but he must request that they retain all evidence in their possession concerning James Earl Ray. Mr. Mason further stated that it will be necessary for him to retain all evidence now in his possession. Mr. Mason said that when this case is finally concluded, he will return to the Royal Canadian Mounted Police all evidence which they have furnished him and which they may desire to have returned to them.

Received by Bureau R/S dated 3-5-73

Sent to RCMP by R/S dated 3-7-73

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RCMP*

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YOUR NO.
VOTRE NO 44-4

OUR NO.
NOTRE NO 68HQ-791-Q-60

June 23, 1975.

Mr. Joseph A. Marion Jr.,
c/o United States Embassy,
100 Wellington Street,
OTTAWA, Ontario.

Re: James Earl RAY
Dr. Martin Luther KING, Jr. -
Victim
Civil Rights - Conspiracy

Reference is made to our letter of February 8,
1973, and your Memphis report dated March 1, 1973,
concerning disposition of exhibits being held by our
Force in respect to captioned matter.

It would be appreciated if your Memphis
office could once again cause enquiries to be made
with Mr. J. Clyde Mason, Assistant District Attorney
General, to determine the present status of matters
before the Courts in respect to James Earl RAY.

Your assistance is appreciated.

Received by RCMP letter dated 7-9-75
Sent to Bureau by R/S dated 7-9-75
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E.A. Marshall, Insp.,
Officer in Charge,
Federal General Branch.

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In Reply, Please Refer to
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Memphis, Tennessee
July 22, 1975

JAMES EARL RAY;
DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. -
VICTIM;
CIVIL RIGHTS

On July 18, 1975, Mr. Terry Lafferty, Assistant District Attorney General, 15th Judicial Circuit of Tennessee, Memphis, Tennessee, was reminded that the Royal Canadian Mounted Police are still holding certain items of evidence which were obtained by them during their investigation of the murder of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Mr. Lafferty stated that James Earl Ray's attorneys are still actively seeking to have Ray's guilty plea voided with a view toward having the State of Tennessee try him before a jury for the murder of Dr. King. He stated he regrets any inconvenience this may be causing the Royal Canadian Mounted Police but he respectfully requests that they retain any and all evidence which might ever be of value in the event James Earl Ray is successful in obtaining a trial.

RECEIVED BY BUREAU
ROUTING SLIP DATED 7/28/75
"Murkin" Bufile 44-38861
Civil Rights

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cc CIB
8/6/75

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8:36AM NITEL 11-29-75 JAC
TO LEGAT OTTAWA NR 788-29
FROM DIRECTOR
MURKIN.

SAC BUFFALO ADVISED NOVEMBER 28, 1975:

NEWSPAPER PUBLICITY, TORONTO, ONTARIO, CANADA, NOV. 28, 1975
REFERRED TO RECENT ATTEMPT ON PART OF REV. RALPH ABERNATHY AND
OTHERS TO HAVE INVESTIGATION OF DR. KING'S DEATH REOPENED BASED
REPORTEDLY ON NEW EVIDENCE INCLUDING TESTIMONY OF PERSONS KNOW-
LEDGABLE OF AN ALLEGED PLOT. ARTICLES CONCENTRATED ON ONE OF
THESE PERSONS IDENTIFIED AS CLIFFORD H. ⁹ANDREWS AKA R. L. ⁹WARREN
INASMUCH AS HE REPORTEDLY WAS CONFINED AT MIMICO CORRECTIONAL
INSTITUTE AT TORONTO AND COULD TESTIFY AS TO HIS PARTICIPATION IN
THE PLOT.

PERSON CLAIMING TO BE DON GRANT, REPORTER FROM TORONTO MORN-
ING NEWSPAPER "GLOBE AND MAIL" TELEPHONICALLY CONTACTED THEIR OFFICE
NOVEMBER 28, 1975 INDICATING INTEREST IN ANDREWS AND HE WAS TOLD
WE WOULD ACCEPT ANY INFORMATION HE WISHED TO FURNISH.

DURING LATE PM, NOVEMBER 28, 1975, INSPECTOR GEORGE SELLAR (NA),
HOMICIDE SQUAD, METROPOLITAN TORONTO POLICE DEPARTMENT, (MTPD)

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cc to WPSIC
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Re 44-4-324

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TORONTO, MAKING REFERENCE TO TORONTO PUBLICITY, ADVISED HIS SQUAD HAD RECEIVED CALL FROM ONE HAROLD KIRK, KNOWN TO MTPD AS "CON-MAN", WHO REQUESTED INTERVIEW BY MTPD CLAIMING HE WAS FORMER CELLMATE OF ANDREWS. SELLAR WAS TOLD BUFFALO HAD NO INVESTIGATIVE INTEREST IN ANDREWS AT THIS TIME BUT WOULD APPRECIATE ANY INFORMATION BELIEVED SIGNIFICANT DEVELOPED AS RESULT OF KIRK INTERVIEW.

SELLAR STATED INQUIRY AT MIMICO HAD DETERMINED ANDREWS RELEASED FROM THERE SEPTEMBER 30, 1975 AND PRESENT WHEREABOUTS UNKNOWN; FURTHER THAT FBI REPORTEDLY HAD BEEN IN CONTACT WITH MINISTER OF CCORRECTIONS FOR ONTARIO PROVINCE RE THIS MATTER. INQUIRY VIA LEGAT, OTTAWA, NEGATIVE RE THIS.

BUFFALO WILL FOLLOW RESULTS OF KIRK INTERVIEW.

ABOVE FOR INFORMATION.

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1965 - OCT. 1 TORONTO, ONT.	(1) FRAUD (2 CHGS.) (2) FRAUD (2 CHGS.)	(1) 2 YRS. ON EACH CHG. CONC. (2) 2 YRS. ON EACH CHG. CONC. BUT CONSEC. TO #1	1963 AUG 29 BRACEBRIDGE ONT OBTAINING FOOD & LODGING BY FRAUD- WITHDRAWN	1 PF TORONTO ONT 1764/64 2 OPP HQ TORONTO ONT
1967 - MAR. 10		PAROLED	1965 OCT 1 TORONTO ONT FRAUD (3 CHGS.), ATT. FRAUD - ALL DISMISSED	x3 RRC KINGSTON ONT 2042 4 PEN SERVICE OTTAWA ONT
1967 - SEPT. 26 SUDBURY, ONT.	COMMON ASSAULT, SEC. 231 (1) CC (3 CHGS.)	FINED \$50. I/D 10 DAYS ON EACH CHG. CONSEC.	1970 NOV 6 TORONTO ONT FORGERY (2 CHGS.), POSS OF REVENUE PAPER, THEFT OVER \$50., POSS OF STOLEN PROPERTY OVER \$50.- ALL DISMISSED	5 CORR SERVICES TORONTO ONT 6 PF HAMILTON ONT 1137-70
1968 - MAR. 11 SUDBURY, ONT.	ASSAULT C.B.H., SEC. 231 (2) CC	30 DAYS		7 PF OAKVILLE ONT PD3990
1968 - MAR. 11	PAROLE VIOLATOR	RECOMMITTED	1970 DEC 2 HAMILTON ONT ABSCOND BAIL, THEFT OVER \$50. - WITHDRAWN	8 PF SUDBURY ONT 673-67 x 9 JAIL MILTON ONT 151/74
1970 - NOV. 6 TORONTO, ONT.	UTTERING (2 CHGS.)	9 MOS. ON EACH CHG. CONC.		10 PF PORT ELGIN ONT
1970 - DEC. 2 MILTON, ONT.	(1) FRAUD (4 CHGS.) (2) POSS. OF STOLEN PROPERTY UNDER \$50.	(1) 16 MOS. ON EACH CHG. CONC. (2) 3 MOS. CONC.		x11 CC MIMICO ONT 96354
1971 - MAY 28		PAROLED		x12 JAIL OWEN SOUND ONT 344D
1974 - SEPT. 4 MILTON, ONT.	EXTORTION SEC.305(1) CC	1 YR.		x13 OPP OWEN SOUND ONT 06-15-175-74
1974 - DEC. 16 OWEN SOUND, ONT.	(1) FRAUD BY ACCOMMODATION SEC. 322(1) CC (2) FALSE PRETENCES SEC.320(1) CC (5 CHGS.)	(1) 6 MOS. CONSEC. TO SENT. SERVING (2) 6 MOS. ON EACH CHG. CONC. & CONC. TO #1		

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VIA COURIER

To: Director, FBI (44-38861)
From: Legat, Ottawa (44-4)(RUC)
Subject: MURKIN

ReBUcab dated 11-29-75.

Enclosed for the Bureau, Buffalo, and Memphis are copies of RCMP record for Clifford Holmes Andrews. Also enclosed for Memphis is one photograph of Andrews.

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FM DIRECTOR (100-106670)

TO ALL LEGAL ATTACHES ROUTINE

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E F T O

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., BUDED AUGUST 30, 1976.

THE ATTORNEY GENERAL HAS ORDERED A REVIEW OF THE FBI'S INVESTIGATION OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. ASSIGNED TO CONDUCT THIS REVIEW IS A TASK FORCE WORKING UNDER DIRECTION OF THE OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY (OPR) OF THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. THIS REVIEW IS A CONTINUATION OF A "PARTIAL REVIEW" RECENTLY CONDUCTED BY THE CIVIL RIGHTS DIVISION OF THE DEPARTMENT. THE REVIEW BEGAN IN MAY 1976, AND A LARGE NUMBER OF KING RELATED FILES HAVE BEEN REVIEWED AT FBIHQ AND IN SELECTED FIELD OFFICES.

THE TASK FORCE PLANS TO REVIEW SERIALS OF ALL KING RELATED FILES AT FBIHQ AND IN THE FIELD. FRED FOLSOM, TASK FORCE LEADER, HAS INQUIRED ABOUT POSSIBLE EXISTENCE OF KING FILES IN THE OFFICES OF FBI LEGAL ATTACHES.

THE PRINCIPAL FILES OF INTEREST IN THIS REVIEW ARE AS

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FOLLOWS: ASSASSINATION OF KING CAPTIONED "MURKIN" (44-38861);
MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. (100-106670); COMINFIL OF SOUTHERN
CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (100-438794); COMMUNIST INFLUENCE
IN RACIAL MATTERS (100-442529); COMMUNIST PARTY, UNITED STATES
OF AMERICA - NEGRO QUESTION (100-3-116); STANLEY DAVID LEVISON
(100-392452).

IT IS RECOGNIZED THAT, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE FOREIGN
OPERATION POLICY MANUAL, THE ABOVE FILES HAVE PROBABLY BEEN
DESTROYED BY LEGAT. HOWEVER, MR. FOLSOM FEELS THAT CANVASSING
ALL LEGATS IS NECESSARY TO ACCOMPLISH THOROUGHNESS IN HIS REVIEW.

THEREFORE, EACH LEGAT ADVISE FBIHQ OF EXISTENCE OF ANY
ABOVE KING RELATED FILES OR IF SUCH FILES WOULD HAVE BEEN
DESTROYED IN ACCORDANCE WITH EXISTING INSTRUCTIONS. SUBMIT
RESULTS IN TELETYPE FORM TO REACH FBIHQ BY AUGUST 30, 1976. IF
ANY FILES ARE LOCATED YOU ARE TO FOLLOW YOUR TELETYPE WITH AN
AIRTEL ENCLOSING ONE XEROX COPY OF EACH SERIAL. IT WILL BE
NECESSARY ONLY TO XEROX THE FIRST PAGE OF ANY DOCUMENT IN YOUR
FILES IF A COPY OF THAT DOCUMENT HAS BEEN SUBMITTED TO FBIHQ.
THIS FIRST PAGE SHOULD CONTAIN THE LEGAT SERIAL NUMBER IN ORDER
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EACH SERIAL.

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FM OTTAWA (44-4)

TO DIRECTOR (100-106670) ROUTINE NR. 275-18

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MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. BUDED 8/30/76.

REBUCAB, AUGUST 18, 1976.

A REVIEW OF OTTAWA FILES PERTAINING TO CAPTIONED MATTER
DISCLOSED SEVEN SERIALS IN OTTAWA FILE 44-4, BUFILE 44-38861,
CAPTIONED "MURKIN", MOST OF WHICH PERTAIN TO
THE RETENTION OF PHYSICAL EVIDENCE BY TENNESSEE
AUTHORITIES WHICH WERE ORIGINALLY FURNISHED BY RCMP. ALL
OTHER DOCUMENTS DESTROYED PER MANUAL OF FOREIGN OPERATIONS.
COPIES OF ABOVE SERIALS BEING FORWARDED BY NEXT POUCH PER
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-106670)

FROM: LEGAT, OTTAWA (44-4) (RUC)

MARTIN LUTHER KING, Jr.

Buded: 8/30/76

ReBucab 8/18/76 and Ottawa cable 8/18/76.

Enclosed is one copy each of eight serials
contained in Ottawa file captioned "MURKIN."

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PLEASE ADDRESS
CORRESPONDENCE TO:

THE COMMISSIONER
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OUR NO. 68HQ-791-Q-60
NOTRE NO.

February 3, 1977

Mr. Joseph A. Marion (Jr.)
c/o United States Embassy
100 Wellington Street
Ottawa, Ontario

Re: James Earl RAY
Dr. Martin Luther KING, Jr. -
Victim
Civil Rights - Conspiracy

Reference is made to your Memphis report dated
July 22, 1975 concerning disposition of exhibits being held
by our Force in respect to captioned matter.

It would be appreciated if your Memphis office
could once again cause enquiries to be made with Mr. Terry
LAFFERY, Assistant District Attorney General, to determine
the present status of matters before the Courts in respect
to James Earl RAY.

Your assistance is appreciated.

R.R.L. Ostrum, Insp.
Officer in Charge
General Section
Federal Policing Branch

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to contact local
auth & advise*

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AIRTEL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861) (~~100-106670~~)

FROM: LEGAT, OTTAWA (44-4) (P)
JAMES EARL RAY;
MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. - VICTIM
CR - CONSPIRACY

Enclosed are original and two copies of RCMP
letter dated 2/3/77.

Memphis requested to contact local authorities
and advise.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Memphis, Tennessee
March 2, 1977

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

RE: JAMES EARL RAY;
MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. - VICTIM
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This communication is predicated upon the following:

By letter dated February 3, 1977, directed to Mr. Joseph A. Marion (Jr.), c/o United States Embassy, 100 Wellington Street, Ottawa, Ontario, R. R. L. Ostrum, Inspector, Officer in Charge, General Section, Federal Policing Branch, Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP), Ottawa, Canada, requested that Mr. Terry Lafferty, Assistant District Attorney General, be contacted to determine the present status of matters before the courts in respect to James Earl Ray. Inspector Ostrum made reference to exhibits being held by the RCMP relating to this matter.

On February 24, 1977, Mr. Terry Lafferty, Assistant District Attorney General, 15th Judicial Circuit, State of Tennessee, Memphis, Tennessee, advised there is currently no litigation pending in the various courts in the State of Tennessee involving James Earl Ray. Mr. Lafferty stated he would direct John Carlisle, Chief Investigator, on the District Attorney General's Staff to discuss the disposal of exhibits being maintained by the RCMP with Mr. Hugh W. Stanton, Jr., District Attorney General, 15th Judicial Circuit, Memphis.

On February 28, 1977, John Carlisle, Chief Investigator, 15th Judicial Circuit, State of Tennessee, Memphis, Tennessee, advised that Mr. Hugh Stanton, Jr., was out of the City of Memphis but would return to his office on the morning of March 2, 1977, at which time he will discuss this matter with Mr. Stanton.

On March 2, 1977, Hugh W. Stanton, Jr., District Attorney General, 15th Judicial Circuit, State of Tennessee, advised that James Earl Ray has exhausted all of his legal remedies in the Tennessee State courts and, therefore, there is no pending litigation involving him. Mr. Stanton is of the opinion that exhibits maintained by the RCMP should be retained at this time, pointing out that the House Select Committee on Assassinations created by the United States House of Representatives in 1976 might desire to examine these exhibits in the future.

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RE: JAMES EARL RAY; MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. - VICTIM

The appropriate Canadian authorities should also consider consulting with the United States Department of Justice, Washington, D. C., before disposing of any exhibits in this matter. A copy of this communication is being furnished to the United States Department of Justice, Washington, D. C., for its information and consideration.

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A IR MAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
FROM: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987-SUB M) (P)
SUBJECT: MURKIN
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Re Legat, Ottawa airtel to Bureau 2/9/77 captioned
"JAMES EARL RAY; MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. - VICTIM; CR -
CONSPIRACY.

Enclosed for the Bureau are 6 copies of an LHM re-
garding matters referred to in referenced airtel.

The Bureau is requested to forward a copy of enclosed
LHM to Legat, Ottawa, for transmittal to the RCMP.

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Sent to TWT 3/16/77

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of the subject for a
period of time & we
will advise at the
expiration of the House
Committee

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RE:

MURKIN

Date March 8, 1977

☐ For information ☐ Retention optional ☒ For appropriate action ☐ Surep, by _____

☐ The enclosed is for your information. If used in a future report, ☐ conceal all sources, ☐ paraphrase contents.

☐ Enclosed are corrected pages from report of SA _____ dated _____

Remarks:

Note enclosed indicating the exhibits should be retained by the RCMP. Also advise the appropriate Canadian authorities that FBIHQ would like to be advised prior to any actual RCMP disposition.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
FROM: LEGAT, OTTAWA (44-4) (RUC)
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Re ME airtel and LHM, 3/2/77.

Info referenced LHM furnished RCMP.

For info HQ and Memphis, RCMP, Ottawa, advise that a request has been received from the House Select Committee on Assassinations for production of all pertinent RCMP records.

On 3/15/77, Legat, Ottawa, was advised that due to existing Canadian Government policy, the RCMP was unable to comply with the request of the Committee.

RCMP have been requested to be advised when the House Select Committee terminates, as a decision to dispose of evidence will be made at that time.

Ottawa setting an administrative tickler for a six-month period.

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JAMES EARL RAY, AKA - FUGITIVE; "TEN MOST WANTED FUGITIVE";
UFAC- ESCAPE; CONSPIRACY; OO: KNOXVILLE.

FOR THE INFORMATION OF ALL LEGATS AND OFFICES WHO MAY
NOT HAVE RECEIVED PRIOR CORRESPONDENCE IN THIS MATTER, AT
APPROXIMATELY 7:20 P.M., JUNE 10, 1977, CAPTIONED SUBJECT,
ALONG WITH FIVE OTHERS, ALL INMATES AT THE BRUSHY MOUNTAIN
STATE PRISON, PETRO, TENNESSEE, ESCAPED CUSTODY BY PLACING A
MAKESHIFT LADDER ON OUTSIDE WALL OF PRISON COMPOUND.

INMATES HAD BEEN ALLOWED TO ENTER PRISON YARD AT 6 P.M. FOR
SUPERVISED EXERCISE. ESCAPE ACCOMPLISHED BY TWO INCIDENTS,
ONE A PURPORTED STAGED FIGHT INVOLVING TWO INMATES; THE
SECOND A FAKED ACCIDENT INVOLVING ANOTHER. ONE INMATE IN
ATTEMPTING TO SCALE THE WALL WAS SHOT BY PRISON GUARDS AND
APPREHENDED.

SUBJECT RAY, FBI NUMBER 405942G, WAS INCARCERATED

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IN THE CUSTODY OF THE TENNESSEE AUTHORITIES SERVING A 99-YEAR
PRISON SENTENCE FOLLOWING HIS CONVICTION FOR SLAYING THE
LATE REVEREND MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. HE IS DESCRIBED

AS:

AGE: 49

BORN: MARCH 10, 1928

PLACE OF BIRTH: QUINCY OR ALTON, ILLINOIS

HEIGHT: 5'10"

WEIGHT: 170 POUNDS

BUILD: MEDIUM

HAIR: BLACK - GRAYING

EYES: BLUE

COMPLEXION: MEDIUM

RACE: WHITE

NATIONALITY: AMERICAN

OCCUPATIONS: BAKER, LABORER

SCARS AND MARKS: SMALL SCAR ON CENTER OF FOREHEAD AND
SMALL SCAR ON PALM OF RIGHT HAND

SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER: [REDACTED]

WARRANT WAS ISSUED JUNE
A FEDERAL ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~ 11, 1977, AT KNOXVILLE,
TENNESSEE, CHARGING RAY WITH CONSPIRACY TO VIOLATE THE UNLAWFUL

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FLIGHT STATUTE (TITLE 18, U. S. CODE, SECTION 371, AND 1073).

EXTENSIVE AIR AND TERRAIN SEARCHES BEING CONDUCTED IN PETROS, TENNESSEE, AREA. SURVEILLANCES INSTITUTED RE KNOWN RELATIVES OF RAY AFTER INTERVIEW ATTEMPTS PROVED NEGATIVE. THESE SURVEILLANCES SHOULD CONTINUE. FAA HEADQUARTERS ALERTED WITH INSTRUCTIONS TO NOTIFY ALL AIRLINES CONCERNING RAY'S FUGITIVE STATUS. A POSSIBILITY DOES EXIST THAT RAY AND OTHER ESCAPEES MAY COMMANDEER AIRLINE. ACCORDINGLY, AN APPROPRIATE FAA ALERT BEING MADE. PASSPORT OFFICES AND INS HEADQUARTERS REQUESTED TO PLACE APPROPRIATE STOPS THROUGH WDC HEADQUARTERS. WANTED FLYERS BEING PREPARED TODAY AND SUBJECT APPROVED AS ADDITION TO BUREAU'S LIST OF TEN MOST WANTED FUGITIVES. APPROPRIATE PRESS RELEASES BEING MADE.

FOR YOUR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, SEPARATE CASES HAVE BEEN OPENED RE OTHER FUGITIVES, WHO ARE:

EARL HILL, JR.; WHITE MALE, BORN OCTOBER 19, 1942; HEIGHT 5'6", WEIGHT 135, BLACK HAIR, GREEN EYES, INCARCERATED FOLLOWING MURDER, RAPE AND ASSAULT CONVICTIONS. EARL CONVICTED OF MURDERING A WDC POLICEMAN AND ATTEMPTING TO MURDER HIS WIFE WHILE BOTH WERE ON VACATION IN TENNESSEE.

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DAVID LEE POWELL, NEGRO MALE, AGE 28; BORN JULY 18, 1949, CLARKSVILLE, MISSISSIPPI, HEIGHT 6'1", WEIGHT 158 POUNDS; SENTENCED TO 100 YEARS FOLLOWING MURDER CONVICTION.

DOUGLAS SWANE SHELTON, WHITE MALE; BORN DECEMBER 6, 1944, AT KINGSFORT, TENNESSEE, 5'10", 157 POUNDS, BLACK HAIR AND EYES, FBI NUMBER 388357F; WAS SERVING 65 YEAR SENTENCE FOR ASSAULT, MURDER AND GRAND LARCENY.

DONALD RAY CAYLOR, WHITE MALE, BORN SEPTEMBER 30, 1952, AT KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE, 5'6", 130 POUNDS, BROWN HAIR AND EYES, FBI NUMBER 615232H; SERVING 50 YEAR SENTENCE FOR ARMED CONSPIRACY AND THREE 21 YEAR SENTENCES ASSAULT TO MURDER. (NOTE: HAS ASSAULTED POLICE OFFICER IN PAST).

LARRY HACKER, WHITE MALE; BORN SEPTEMBER 24, 1944; FBI NUMBER 255832G, HEIGHT 6'1"; 170 POUNDS, BROWN HAIR AND GREY EYES. (HACKER CLOSE ASSOCIATE OF WILLIE FOSTER SELLERS, SOON TO BE ADDED TO BUREAU'S TOP MOST WANTED LIST).

ALL OFFICES SHOULD INSURE THAT APPROPRIATE ALERTS ARE PLACED CONCERNING RAY AND ASSOCIATES WITH LOCAL AND STATE POLICE AGENCIES, AIR AND GROUND TRANSPORTATION CONCERNS, INCLUDING MAJOR AIRLINES, BUSES, CAR RENTAL AGENCIES, ETC.

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ALL BORDER STOPS MUST BE PLACED TO PREVENT RAY AND ASSOCIATES FROM LEAVING COUNTRY. ALL LEGATS OF COURSE SHOULD PLACE SIMILAR STOPS WHERE APPROPRIATE WITHIN THEIR RESPECTIVE TERRITORIES.

DURING THE INITIAL STAGES OF THIS IMPORTANT INVESTIGATION, LEADS SHOULD BE HANDLED TELEPHONICALLY, CONFIRMED BY TELETYPE. LEADS SHOULD RECEIVE PROMPT RESPONSE. INSTANT MATTER IS BEING DESIGNATED A MAJOR CASE AND SHOULD BE HANDLED ACCORDINGLY. AN ALL-OUT EFFORT MUST BE EXPENDED TO LOCATE RAY AND OTHER ESCAPEES WHO ARE ALSO BEING SOUGHT FOR CONSPIRACY TO VIOLATE THE UNLAWFUL FLIGHT STATUTE. INSURE FBIHQ AND KNOXVILLE, THE OFFICE OF ORIGIN, ARE KEPT ADVISED OF PERTINENT DEVELOPMENTS.

IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT JAMES EARL RAY IS ALSO KNOWN AS: PAUL BRIDGEMAN, ERIC STARVO GALT, W. C. HERRON, HARVEY LOWMYER, JAMES MC BRIDE, JAMES O'CONNER, RAYMOND GEORGE SNEYD, JAMES WALTON, JAMES WALYON, JOHN WILLARD, "JIM," AND OTHERS.

ALL SACS ADVISED SEPARATELY.

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JAMES EARL RAY, AKA - FUGITIVE; WANTED FLYER 500 "TEN MOST WANTED FUGITIVE"; UFAC- ESCAPE; CONSPIRACY; OO: KNOXVILLE.

REBUTEL JUNE 11, 1977 CAPTIONED AS ABOVE AND KXTEL DATED JUNE 11, 1977 (NOT TO ALL) CAPTIONED "DAVID LEE POWELL, AKA - FUGITIVE; UFAC - ESCAPE; CONSPIRACY; OO: KNOXVILLE."

FOR INFORMATION OF ALL RECEIVING OFFICES, KNOXVILLE ADVISED APPROXIMATELY 2 P.M., EDT, TODAY, DAVID LEE POWELL APPREHENDED BY TENNESSEE STATE AUTHORITIES AFTER BEING OBSERVED FROM SURVEILLANCE HELICOPTER. SUBJECT BEING TRANSPORTED TO PRISON GROUNDS. EFFORTS BEING MADE BY KNOXVILLE AGENTS TO INTERVIEW POWELL RE ESCAPE AND WHEREABOUTS OF FUGITIVE RAY. DISCONTINUE REGARDING POWELL.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

ESCAPE RISKS.

ALL SACS ADVISED SEPARATELY.

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~~TDONALD RAY CAYLOR - FUGITIVE; LARRY EDWARD HACKER - FUGITIVE;~~

~~EARL HILL, JR. - FUGITIVE; DAVID LEE POWELL - FUGITIVE; JAMES~~

~~EARL RAY - FUGITIVE; DOUGLAS SHELTON - FUGITIVE, CONSPIRACY~~

~~TO VIOLATE UFAC - ESCAPE, OO: KNOXVILLE~~

RE EARLIER TELETYPES THIS DATE.

THE FOLLOWING IS A SUMMARY OF THE INVESTIGATION AND
EVENTS INCIDENTAL TO CAPTIONED MATTER:

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GENERAL MATTER:

SIX CAPTIONED SUBJECTS ESCAPED FROM BRUSHY MOUNTAIN PRISON (BMP) JUNE 10, 1977, AT ABOUT 7:20 PM, AND FLED TO RUGGED MOUNTAINOUS TERRITORY. ONE WOULD-BE ESCAPEE UNSUCCESSFUL AND WOUNDED SLIGHTLY IN ATTEMPT. LOCAL AUTHORITIES CONKVERGED ON AREA AND JOINED EFFORTS TO RECAPTURE SUBJECTS. FBI AGENTS ON SCENE TO DETERMINE ANY EXISTENCE OF FEDERAL VIOLATION.

PROCESS AUTHORIZED BY ATTORNEY GENERAL AND FILED BEFORE USDJ DAVID A. KAUFMAN BY FBI AGENT ABOUT 4:00 AM, JUNE 11, 1977. ADDITIONAL AGENTS ARRIVED IN KNOXVILLE FROM SURROUNDING OFFICES AND PROCEEDED TO SCENE.

JAMES EARL RAY PLACED ON TOP TEN THIS DATE.

DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, SR., ARRIVED THIS DATE AT KNOXVILLE FOR SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT AND AFFORDED EXTENSIVE POLICE PROTECTION.

INVESTIGATION AT BMP:

DAVID LEE POWELL APPREHENDED JUNE 11, 1977, BY TENNESSEE HIGHWAY PATROL (THP) AFTER BEING OBSERVED FROM HELICOPTER, MAIN THRUST OF INVESTIGATION PLACED ON LOCATING ESCAPEES.

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JERRY W. WARD, UNSUCCESSFUL ESCAPEE, DECLINED INTERVIEW. INTERVIEWS OF INMATES BELIEVED KTO HAVE FEIGNED DISTURBANCE UNPRODUCTIVE. GUARD NEAREST T E ESCAPEES INTERVIEWED AND ADVISED HE WAS DISTRACTED BY FIGHT AND APPARENT ACCIDENT. WHEN HE OBSERVED ESCAPEES, HE ACCIDENTALLY JAMMED DOOR TO GUARD TOWER WHILE REACHING FOR WEAPON. SUBSEQUENTLY, HE FIRED A SHOTGUN AND THEN A .22 RIFLE AT ESCAPEES. HE BELIEVES THAT HE MAY HAVE WOUNDED ONE. NO BLOOD KNOWN TO HAVE BEEN OBSERVED IN AREA. TRACKS OBSERVED IN SEVERAL AREAS BEING SEARCHED. SEARCH PARTIES USING BLOODHOUNDS WORKED THROUGHOUT JUNE 10-11, 1977. ON JUNE 11, 1977, TWO THP HELICOPTERS, ONE FBI PLANE, AND ONE PLANE RENTED BY THE FBI, AS WELL AS ONE SWAT HELICOPTER FROM KNOXVILLE, TENN. PD, UTILIZED IN SEARCHING AREA.

ROADBLOCKS ORGANIZED IN CONJUNCTION WITH ROVING PATROLS. AGENTS ON SCENE OPERATING IN 12-HOUR SHIFTS WHERE SEARCH TO CONTINUE FROM DAWN TO DUSK. FBI, STATE, AND LOCAL SWAT TEAMS, AS WELL AS TRACKERS ARE OPERATING.

ARRANGEMENTS MADE WITH RAILROADS FOR SEARCH OF TRAINS PASSING THROUGH AREAS CLOSE PROXIMITY TO THE PRISON.

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INVESTIGATION KNOXVILLE DIVISION OTHER THAN AT BMP:

RELATIVES, FRIENDS, AND ASSOCIATES OF SUBJECTS CAYLOR, SHELTON, AND HILL CONTACTED THROUGHOUT EASTERN TENN. WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. CONTINUED COVERAGE BEING AFFORDED AND APPROPRIATE LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES NOTIFIED.

AIRLINES AND BUS TERMINALS AT KNOXVILLE PLACED ON ALERT WITH DESCRIPTIONS OF SUBJECTS.

COPIES OF PHOTOS OF SUBJECTS BEING PREPARED TO BE DISTRIBUTED LOCALLY THIS DATE.

NATIONWIDE INVESTIGATION:

ALL FBI FIELD OFFICES HAVE BEEN ALERTED TO ESCAPE AND OUTSTANDING PROCESS ON SUBJECTS. FIELD OFFICES AFFORDING CLOSE COVERAGE OF RELATIVES, FRIENDS, AND ASSOCIATES OF SUBJECTS AND AGGRESSIVELY INVESTIGATING THIS MATTER. MOST OF JAMES EARL RAY'S RELATIVES CONTACTED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS RE HIS WHEREABOUTS.

WANTED FLYERS BEING DISTRIBUTED THROUGHOUT NEWS MEDIA IN EASTERN TENN.

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LARRY EDWARD HACKER, AKA; JAMES EARL RAY, AKA, FUGITIVE ET AL
CONSPIRACY TO VIOLATE UFAC - ESCAPE

LARRY EDWARD HACKER WAS APPREHENDED ABOUT 2 AM, JUNE 12,
1977, BY FBI AGENTS AND DEPUTIES, ANDERSON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
NEAR BEACH GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH, HIGHWAY 116, ANDERSON COUNTY,
TENNESSEE, APPROXIMATELY 4 MILES FROM BRUSHY MOUNTAIN STATE PRISON.

INVESTIGATION CONTINUING TO LOCATE RAY AND OTHER ESCAPEES.

NOTE FOR ALL LEGATS ONLY:

DISCONTINUE ALL INVESTIGATION TO LOCATE HACKER

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JAMES EARL RAY, AKA-FUGITIVE. "TEN MOST WANTED FUGITIVES." EARL HILL JR., AKA - FUGITIVE. CONSPIRACY TO COMMIT UNLAWFUL FLIGHT TO AVOID CONFINEMENT - ESCAPE.

FBI KNOXVILLE DIVISION HAS ADVISED THAT LATE ON JUNE 12, 1977:

SUBJECT HILL APPREHENDED BY PRISON GUARDS APPROXIMATELY FOUR MILES FROM MOUNTAIN STATE PRISON, TENNESSEE. JAMES EARL RAY HAS NOT YET BEEN APPREHENDED.

NOTE FOR LEGATS:

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JAMES EARL RAY, AKA - FUGITIVE; ET AL CONSPIRACY TO VIOLATE
UNLAWFUL FLIGHT TO AVOID CONFINEMENT - ESCAPE.

JAMES EARL RAY APPREHENDED ABOUT 2:15 AM, JUNE 13,
1977, APPROXIMATELY ELEVEN MILES FROM BRUSHY MOUNTAIN
STATE PRISON BY CORRECTION AUTHORITIES.

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F.A. NO. - IDENTIFIANT

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ENQUIRER - PERSONNE QUI FAIT LA REQUÊTE

PHONE - TÉLÉPHONE

DEPT. - SERVICE

Joe Marion

FBI Division 07/11/77

SURNAME - NOM DE FAMILLE

GIVEN NAMES - PRÉNOMS

DOB - DATE DE NAIS.

FPS GIVEN - FPS NO

IN CUSTODY
DÉTENTION

Yes - Oui No - Non

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PAUL W Persons

REQUEST - REQUÊTE

1. Phoned 12:03 PM. requesting that info + desc. of 6. escapee be sent across
2. Canada. No indication subject, listed this as last precautioning only.
3. Stated GIB/GEN will put them on CPIC Monday for OBSERVATION, subject
4. will be placed on FBI 10 most wanted starting Monday. Joe stated if he
5. gets any more details he will call in.
- 6.

FPS POSSIBILITIES - DOSSIERS FPS POSSIBLES

1:20 PM Cpl. Hammarsten W/Persons advised for his info.

ACTION TAKEN - MESURES PRISES

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***** FURTHER TO OUR MSG. 3:15A.M. THIS DATE RE:
ESCAPEES FROM TENNESSEE STATE PRISON USA*****

FOLLOWING ARE DESCRIPTIONS AS WE RECEIVED THEM FROM THE FBI REGARDING
THE ESCAPEES.:

(1) JAMES EARL RAY. DOB: 10 MAR 28. WHITE MALE, 5'10", 170 LBS.,
BLACK GREYING HAIR. SERVING 99 YRS. FOR MURDER OF DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING.

(2) LARRY EDWARD HACKER DOB: 24 SEP 44. WHITE MALE. 6 FT., 170 LBS., BROWN
HAIR GREYING. SPIDER TATTOO ON RIGHT ARM

(3) EARL HILL JR. DOB: 19 OCT 42 WHITE MALE, 5'6", 134 LBS., BLACK HAIR.,
GREYING. SCAR ON FOREHEAD. SERVING 100 YRS. AND LIFE FOR MURDER.

(4) DAVID LEE POWELL, DOB: 18 JUL 49, NEGRO, MALE., 6'1", 158 LBS.,
BLACK HAIR. TATTOO UPPER RIGHT ARM "WW / "CM". SERVING 100 YRS. FOR MURDER.

(5) DP

DOUGLAS SHELTON DOB: 6 DEC 44. WHITE MALE, 5'10". 157 LBS., NUMEROUS
TATTOOS ON BOTH ARMS. SERVING 60 YRS. FOR ATT. MURDER.

(6) DONALD RAY CAYLOR DOB: 30 SEP 52. WHITE MALE, 5'6". 130 LBS., 2 INCH
SCAR ON LEFT SIDE OF FOREHEAD. SERVING 51 YRS. FOR ATT. MURDER.

***** THERE IS NO INFORMATION HERE THAT THERE IS ANY INDICATION
THESE SUBJECTS ARE PRESENTLY IN CANADA.****

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FURTHER TO MSG. SENT THIS DATE 3:09 A.M. RE+: ESCAPE FROM TENNESSEE
STATE PRISON 10 JUN 77 OF JAMES EARL RAY ETC. FOLLOWING ARE
ONLY DESCRIPTIONS WE RECEIVED HERE THIS DATE FROM FBI:

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FOR MURDER

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FURTHER TO OUR MESSAGE 031 THIS DATE REGARDING RAY ET AL. THERE IS NO
INFORMATION HERE THAT THESE SUBJECTS ARE IN CANADA. THIS WAS ONLY PASSED
ALONG FOR INFORMATION.

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SUITE A NOTRE MSG 8 DU 11 JUIN 77 3:34 CONCERNANT LES EVADES DE LA PRISON D ETAT DU TENNESSE CE QUI SUI EST LE SIGNALEMENT DES INDIVI DUS RECHERCHES RECUES DE NOTRE D.G (NPSIC) DTT CITATION:

1) JAMES EARL RAY DDN 10 MAR 28 MALE BLANC 5 PDS 10 PCS 170 LIV CHE VEUX NOIR GRISONNANT SERVAIT 99 ANS POUR MEURTRE DU DOCTEUR KING.

2) LARRY EDWARD HACKER DDN 24 SEP 44 MALE BLANC 6 PDS 170 LIV CHEVEUX BRUN GRISONNANT TAT ARAIGNEE SUR BRAS DROIT.

3) EARL HILL JR DDN 19 OCT 42 MALE BLANC 5 PDS 6 PCS 134 LIV CHEVEUX NOIR GRISONNANT CICATRICE SUR FRONT SERVAIT 100 ANS ET VIE POUR MEURTRE

4) DAVID LEE POWELL DDN 18 JUIL 49 MALE NOIR 6 PDS 1 PC 158 LIV CHEVEUX NOIR TAT AVANT BRAS DROIT "WW" "CM" SERVAIT 100 ANS POUR MEURTRE

5) DOUGLAS SHELTON DDN 6 DEC 44 MALE BLANC 5 PDS 10 PCS 157 LIV PLUSIEURS TAT SUR LES DEUX BRAS SERVAIT 60 ANS POUR TENTATIVE DE MEURTRE.

6) DONALD RAY CAYLOR DDN 30 SEP 52 MALE BLANC 5 PDS 6 PCS 130 LIV CICATRICE DE 2 PCS SUR COTE GAUCHE DU FRONT SERVAIT 51 ANS POUR TENTATIVE DE MEURTRE.

IL N Y A PAS D INDICATION QU ILS SERAIENT AU CANADA. RENSEIGNEMENTS POUR VOTRE INFORMATION. ILS SERAIENT ARMES ET DANGEREUX. SERONT SOUS PEU AU SYSTEME RECHERCHE DU CIPC. FIN DE CITATION.

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