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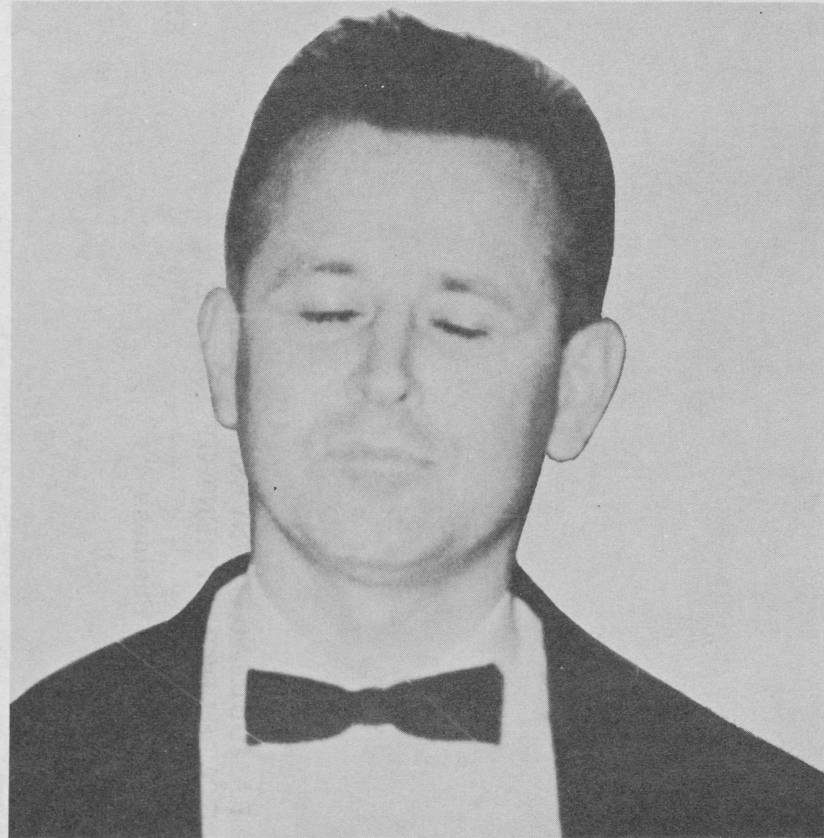
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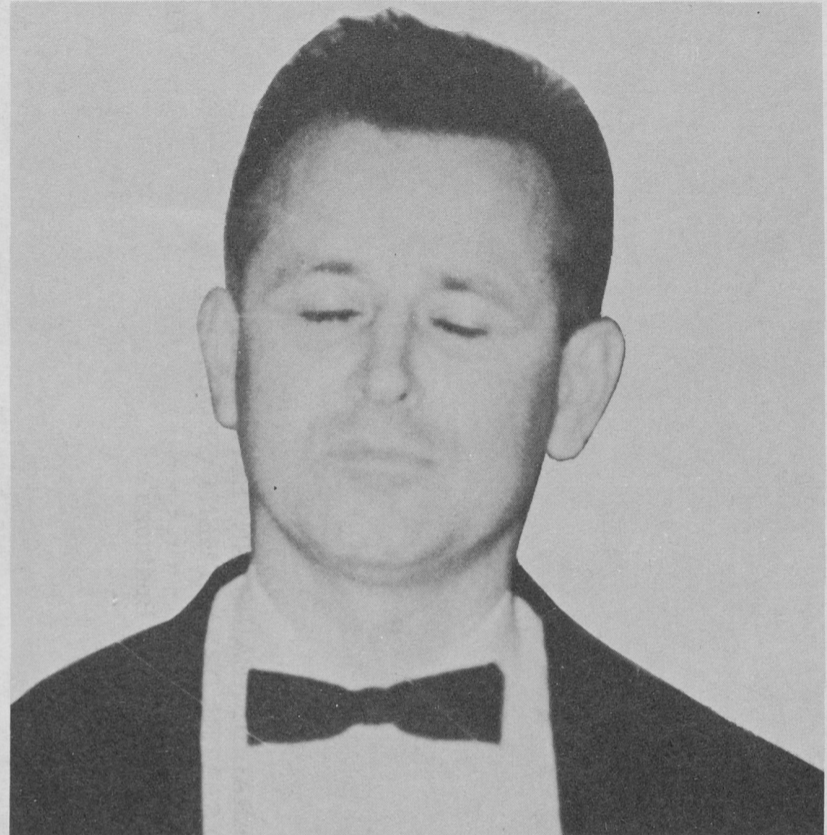
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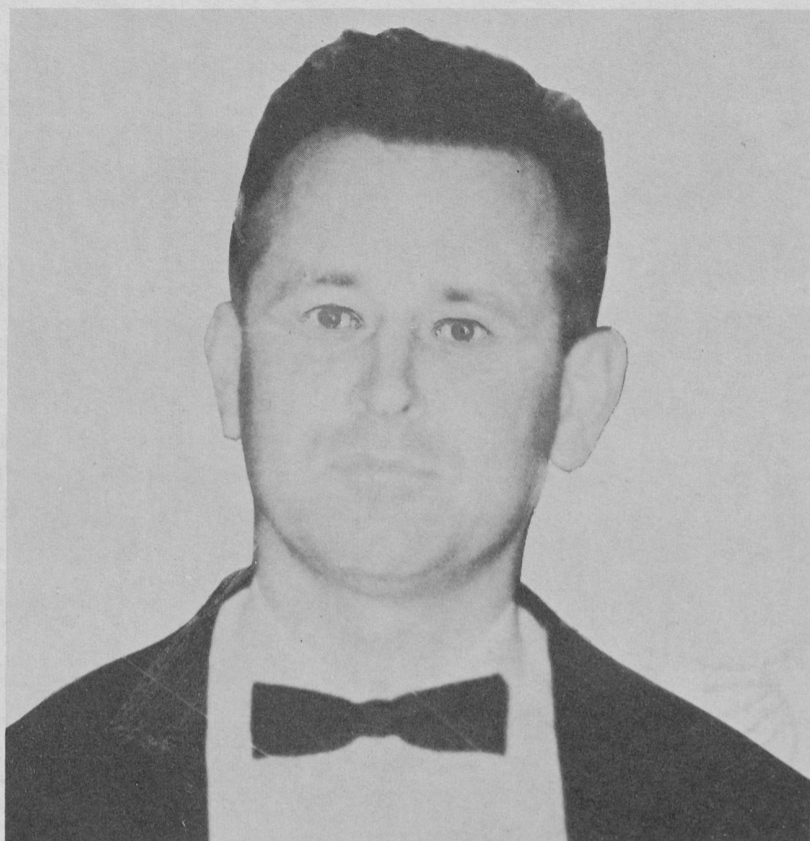
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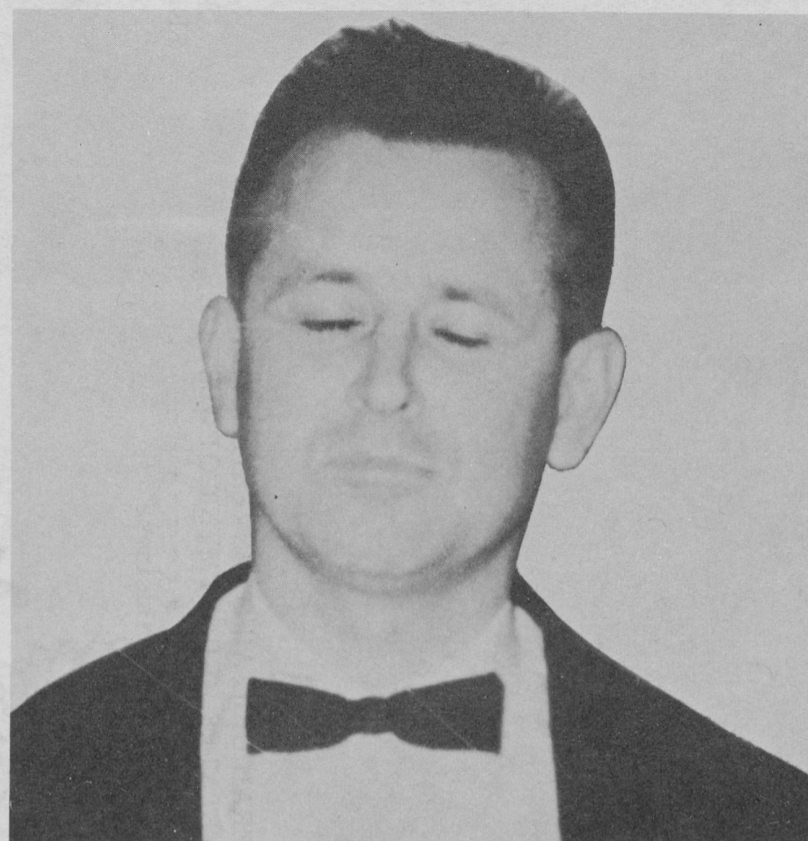
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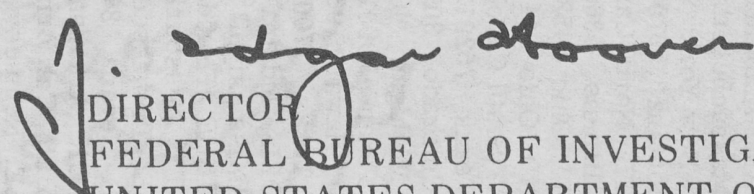
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CIVIL RIGHTS - CONSPIRACY ERIC STARVO GALT

FBI No. 405,942 G



Photograph taken 1968
(eyes drawn by artist)



Photograph taken 1968

Aliases: Harvey Lowmyer, John Willard

DESCRIPTION

Age:	36, born July 20, 1931 (not supported by birth records)	Eyes:	Blue or hazel
Height:	5'8" to 5'11"	Complexion:	Medium
Weight:	160 to 175 pounds	Race:	White
Build:	Medium		
Hair:	Brown, possibly cut short		
Occupation:	Has claimed employment as seaman		
Remarks:	Noticeably protruding left ear; reportedly is a lone wolf; allegedly attended dance instruction school; has reportedly completed course in bartending.		

CAUTION

GALT IS SOUGHT IN CONNECTION WITH A MURDER WHEREIN THE VICTIM WAS SHOT. CONSIDER ARMED AND EXTREMELY DANGEROUS.

A Federal warrant was issued on April 17, 1968, at Birmingham, Alabama, charging Galt with conspiring to interfere with a Constitutional Right of a citizen (Title 18, U. S. Code, Section 241).

IF YOU HAVE ANY INFORMATION CONCERNING THIS PERSON, PLEASE NOTIFY ME OR CONTACT YOUR LOCAL FBI OFFICE. TELEPHONE NUMBERS AND ADDRESSES OF ALL FBI OFFICES LISTED ON BACK.

J. Edgar Hoover
DIRECTOR
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Memorandum

TO : SAC, PITTSBURGH (44-578)
ATTN: SA WILLIAM LOGAN CURTIS)

FROM : SA GEORGE A. PATTERSON

SUBJECT: MURKIN
CR
(OO: MEMPHIS)

DATE: 4/17/68

Re telephone call from SA CURTIS, 4/10/68:

X Investigation regarding the possible identity of HARVEY LOWMEYER was negative.

On 4/10/68, Mr. NEIL HUTCHISON, Special Agent, Chesapeake & Ohio Railroad, Ronceverte, W. Va., advised that ROBERT E. LOMER, 424 Pocahontas Avenue, Ronceverte, W. Va., is a Ticket Agent for the C & O Railroad and he works out of the Railroad Office in White Sulphur Springs, W. Va., but he has been in ill health for the past two years, and for the past two months, he has been suffering with emphysema so badly that he has been unable to work. He said that Mr. LOMER is approximately 55 years of age; is short and very slender, and is very "sickly-looking." Mr. HUTCHISON added he is confident that Mr. LOMER has not been away from Ronceverte within the past three weeks.

In view of this information, no further investigation was conducted regarding ROBERT LOMER.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, PITTSBURGH (44-578)

FROM : SA RONALD WETHERINGTON

SUBJECT: MURKIN
CIVIL RIGHTS
(OO: MEMPHIS)

DATE: 4/18/68

Re memorandum of SA WILLIAM LOGAN CURTIS dated 4/10/68.

The following investigation was conducted by SAs RONALD WETHERINGTON and KENT C. DIXON on 4/10/68:

Mrs. WILLIAM J. LOHMEYER, 720 South Neagly Avenue, Pittsburgh, advised that she is the mother of WILLIAM JOSEPH LOHMEYER, JR., who resides at 4761 Doyle Road, Pittsburgh, telephone 882-4866. Mrs. LOHMEYER stated her son is a white male, age 48, 6'4", 250 pounds, and has dark hair. She said his wife's name is MARY ALICE LOHMEYER and they have three teen-age children.

Mrs. IRENE WILLARD, 1029 Parkview Avenue, New Kensington, Pa., telephone ED 5-6792, advised she is the wife of JOHN RODERICK WILLARD and said her husband is 64 years of age. He resides with her at this address and is a retired employee of the Alcoa Aluminum Company.

Mrs. WILLARD stated that she has two sons namely JACK P. WILLARD who resides at 1028 Woodberry Road, New Kensington, Pa., and GEORGE RODERICK WILLARD who resides at 42 Springfield Avenue, Crandford, N. J. Mrs. WILLARD furnished the following information concerning her sons:

Name	JACK P. WILLARD
Date of birth	[REDACTED]
Height	6'1" to 6'2"
Hair	Blond
Complexion	Ruddy
Skin	Fair
Weight	200 lbs.
Characteristics	Wears glasses
Marital status	Married
Wife	MARIOLIN (DAVIS)

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Employment	Alcoa Aluminum Company, New Kensington, Pa. Building 442
Name	GEORGE RODERICK WILLARD
Date of birth	[REDACTED]
Height	6'3" to 6'4"
Weight	175 lbs.
Hair	Blond
Complexion	Fair
Characteristics	Wears glasses
Employment	Union College, N. J. as college professor in Spanish
Miscellaneous	Owns older model white mustang registered to IRENE WILLARD

Mrs. WILLARD stated that her son, GEORGE, flew to New Kensington via Allegheny Airlines arriving on 3/29/68 at approximately 5:30 to 6:00 pm, and left around 5:00 pm, 3/31/68. She stated he came for a visit and was with the family the entire time. Mrs. WILLARD stated she could not personally account for her son's time on 4/4/68 but would assume he was teaching school as this would be a working day. She stated she talked to her son, GEORGE, on the phone Sunday, 4/7/68, and he was in New Jersey at that time. She stated that he taught classes on 3/29/68 prior to flying to New Kensington.

Mrs. WILLARD stated that her son, JACK WILLARD, worked 3/29/68 but was off on 3/30/68. She continued he was either working on 4/4/68 at his job with Alcoa Aluminum in New Kensington or was in Detroit, Mich., on business.

Mr. DAVID H. WILLIAMS, JR., Employment Manager, Alcoa Aluminum Company, New Kensington, Pa., advised that JACK P. WILLARD is employed there as an engineer trainee. He stated a review of his records reflect that WILLARD reported for work on 3/29/68 and was there the entire day. He continued that WILLARD was home on 3/30/68 and on 4/4/68 he stated that WILLIARD was at a meeting of the U. S. Army Association in Warren, Michigan, for a briefing.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, PITTSBURGH (44-578)

DATE: 4/17/68

FROM : SA FRANK H. GEIERMANN

SUBJECT: MURKIN

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Following dance studios were contacted on the dates as indicated for information concerning ERIC STARVO GALT with negative results. These cover all dance studios in Elk, Forest, Venango and Crawford counties, Pa.

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Dotty Lou Lauer School of Dance, 2 Lincoln St., Oil City, Pa

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Nancy's Dance Studio, 1333 Chestnut St., Franklin, Pa. NANCY GREGG

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Arthur Murray School of Dance, 933 Park Ave., Meadville, Pa.

Mrs GEORGE CRONBERG

Arita Lee Dance Studio, 246 $\frac{1}{2}$ Chestnut St., Meadville, Pa.

Mrs ARITA L. BLAIR

Lyns's Dance Studio 346 Walnut St., Meadville, Pa.

LYNA PATRICK

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, PITTSBURGH (44-578) -P-

DATE: 4/17/68

FROM : SA WILLIAM T. DOUGHERTY

SUBJECT: MURKIN
CIVIL RIGHTS
(OO: MEMPHIS)

Re telephone call from SA WILLIAM LOGAN CURTIS, 4/15/68.

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The below listed individuals were contacted on the dates indicated, and all advised that no individual by the name of ERIC STARVO GALT ever attended their respective dancing schools.

- 1) Mr. ERNEST RUGGIERI, Erni Dance Studio, 214 North 7th St., Connellsville, Pa., 4/16/68.
- 2) Miss JEAN KING, Jean King School of Dancing, 42½ E. Fayette St., Uniontown, Pa., 4/15/68.
- 3) Mrs. KATHERINE LYON, Katy Lyon Dance Center, 164 S. Beeson Ave., Uniontown, Pa., 4/15/68.
- 4) PENNY SMALLEY, Penny Smalley's Dance Studio, 68 N. Gallatin Ave, Uniontown, Pa., 4/15/68.
- 5) ANN LOUISE GISMONDI, 167 E. Coffey St., Uniontown, Pa., Studio maintained at 2 N. Main St., Masontown, Pa., 4/15/68.
- 6) Mr. SAM CALIGUIRE, 607 Rogers Ave., Connellsville, Pa., 4/15/68.

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RESNICK said that he has been in the laundry business most of his working career and he is certain that Fidel Cleaners with establishments in Washington and Canonsburg, Pa., as well as the Hi Hat Establishment in Houston, Pa., do not use this type of laundry tag.

Mrs. PINSTER, Pinster's Cleaners, 1006 West Chester Street, telephone 225-2970.

Washington Linen Service, Inc., 315½ East Beau Street, Washington, handles linen service only

Quick Service Laundry, 593 West Pike St., Ext., 745-3696, Canonsburg, Pa.

Monongahela-Charleroi, Pa., Model Cleaners of Charleroi, Inc., Second and Lincoln, which includes also their shop in Monongahela, telephone Charleroi 489-9553.

Donora, Pa. - Diamond Cleaners, 379-6700, accept no family-type laundry.

The individual contacted at the Home Laundry, Hemlock St., Washington, returned a telephone call to advise that the Pittsburgh Tag Company, 1112 Galveston Avenue, Pittsburgh, telephone 231-4702, distributed tags used by laundries that may be able to tell what laundry used a tag with a code of 02B-6 or D2B-6. This individual said he would guess that the B is the key to this laundry tag code number and may designate a route area, particular establishment or region.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, PITTSBURGH (44-578)

DATE: 4/18/68

FROM : SA J. EDWARD MADVAY

SUBJECT: MURKIN
CR
OO: MEMPHIS

Re telephone call SA WILLIAM LOGAN CURTIS, 4/9/68.

The following establishments were contacted either personally or by telephone on 4/10/68 in the communities listed for the purpose of identifying any laundry using a red laundry tag, one-quarter inch wide, one and one-sixteenth inch long, bearing markings 02B-64D2B-6.

All establishments contacted were negative in regard to identifying this laundry tag, it being noted that all establishments contacted used a type of laundry tag which contained numerals only or as in the case of most establishments contacted, they did not accept what they refer to as family-type laundry or bachelortype laundry which would include personal clothing.

The establishments contacted were found listed in the Yellow Pages of the Washington, Canonsburg, Monongahela, and Donora Telephone Directories.

The establishments contacted all with negative results are as follows:

HAROLD LAPHMAN, Esquire Cleaners
102 South Main Street

Mr. MURDOCK, Home Launderers and Cleaners
Hemlock Street, Washington, Pa.

MARVIN RESNICK, Imperial Cleaners and Dryers,
Main Street, Washington, Pa.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT
MEMORANDUM

TO: ALL AGENTS, INCLUDING SECURITY

DATE: 4/18/68

ADM
SAC, PITTSBURGH (44-578) (P)

SUBJECT: MURKIN
CR
OO: MEMPHIS

Rememo of SA WILLIAM LOGAN CURTIS, dated 4/10/68.

On 4/4/68, Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., was shot and killed in Memphis, Tennessee, by an unknown person. It has been determined that unsub, using the name, HARVEY LOWMEYER or LOWMYER, purchased rifle in Birmingham, Alabama, on March 30, 1968. On April 4, 1968, unsub, using name, JOHN WILLARD, registered in room in Memphis from which fatal shot was fired. Rifle found abandoned near scene of shooting.

Subsequent investigation has developed ERIC STARVO GALT as the subject in this case. Investigation to determine whereabouts of GALT has been negative to date.

On 4/17/68, a Federal complaint was filed in Birmingham, Alabama, by the FBI, charging GALT with conspiring to violate the civil rights of Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 241.

GALT is described as follows:

Race	White
Sex	Male
Date of Birth	<input type="text"/>
Height	5'8" - 5'11"
Weight	160 to 175 pounds
Build	Medium
Hair	Brown, brushed back
Eyes	Blue or green or hazel
Appearance	Clean shaven

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All Agents are requested to contact all their criminal informants, security informants, and racial informants for possible knowledge concerning murderer, with specific emphasis directed toward informants in known hate groups. Inquiries should be made bearing in mind names of HARVEY LOWMEYER, JOHN WILLARD, and ERIC STARVO GALT. Photographs available in file.

Results of all contacts made should be furnished to SA WILLIAM LOGAN CURTIS.

GALT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

4/18/68

TO SAC, PITTSBURGH (44-578)
FROM SA Edward R. Fleming, Jr. ATTN: SA CURTIS
SUBJECT MURKIN

On the night of 4/17/68, Mrs. NORVAL JOHNSTON II, Kearneysville, W. Va., telephone number 876-6056, contacted SA Fleming by phone and said that on 4/6/68, between 12:30 and 1:00 PM, she drove into the Esso Station on Route 9 at Kearneysville, and an auto traveling from Charles Town toward Martinsburg, speedily entered the station and stopped; that a man went into the store run in connection with the station; that the man made a purchase, and passed Mrs. JOHNSTON as he was returning to his car; and that he hung his head when he passed her. She said she made specific note of the car and remembers it was a late model, red, 2-door, GTO, with Georgia license; that it had black racing strips; and that the head-rests were black and white checkered, but the rest of the interior was black. She said there was clothing on the back seat.

She said the man was a W, M, between 32 and 34, about 5'8", perhaps about 150 lbs, long hair, dyed blond, pointed nose, and wearing an Eisenhower style jacket - possibly gabardine. She said the man looked like the sketch of the murderer of Dr. King, and she specifically recalled the incident after the Mustang was reported as found in Atlanta. Mrs. JOHNSTON said at the time of her call to SA Fleming (about 10:00 PM) that she had not heard of the issuance of a warrant for GALT, nor had she seen any picture of GALT.

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Mrs. JOHNSTON said that a clerk in the store at Kearneysville, Mrs. WALTER JUDY, recalled the incident; recalled the man purchased a package of cigarettes; and recalled he took the money from a white envelope. Mrs. JUDY did not recall the man's features.

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already received by Pittsburgh.

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725PM URGENT 4/18/68 GJM

TO ALL SACS

FROM DIRECTOR 1P

MURKIN.

CONTACTS SHOULD BE MAINTAINED WITH ALL MASS COMMUNICATIONS MEDIA IN YOUR TERRITORIES TO INSURE THAT THERE IS FREQUENT REFERENCE TO PHOTOGRAPH OF GALT AND HIS CONNECTION WITH THIS CASE. IF NOT ALREADY DONE, PHOTOGRAPHS SHOULD BE SHOWN OR DISTRIBUTED TO LAW ENFORCEMENT AND OTHER APPROPRIATE AGENCIES IN YOUR AREAS TO INSURE THE BROADEST POSSIBLE PUBLICATION OF SUBJECT'S PHOTOGRAPH AND BACKGROUND.

OFFICES COVERING POINTS OF ENTRY OR EXIT FROM COUNTRY INSURE THAT SUBJECT'S PHOTOGRAPH AND BACKGROUND HAVE BEEN WIDELY DISTRIBUTED AND/OR APPROPRIATELY DISPLAYED AND THAT STOPS ARE BEING MAINTAINED.

OFFICES COVERING DEPARTURE OR ARRIVAL OF OVERSEAS FLIGHTS SHOULD ALSO RENEW STOPS AND DISPLAY PHOTOGRAPHS OF SUBJECT APPROPRIATELY. SUBJECT ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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8:22PM 4-18-68 URGENT CPO

TO DIRECTOR, MEMPHIS, ATLANTA, RICHMOND, PITTSBURGH, AND
JACKSONVILLE
FROM CHARLOTTE /44-1365/ 4P

MURKIN.

TODAY, N. C. HIGHWAY PATROL TROOPER HARRY L. WILLIAMS, CATAWBA COUNTY, N.C., SEVENTEEN YEARS EXPERIENCE, ADVISED AFTER VIEWING PHOTOGRAPH OF ERIC STARVO GALT WHICH APPEARED IN TODAY'S PAPER, THAT HE RECALLED ON NIGHT OF APRIL NINE LAST, NCHP WAS CONDUCTING ROAD CHECK AT NEWTON, N. C. BETWEEN NINE AND NINE THIRTY P.M., WHILE MALE DRIVING FIFTY-FIVE OR FIFTY-SIX DODGE, FOUR-DOOR, THREE TONE, WAS STOPPED AT ROAD CHECK. CAR HAD OFF WHITE TOP, DARK GREEN ON SIDES, HOOD AND TRUNK AND OFF WHITE BOTTOM. CAR HAD SIXTY-EIGHT FLA. LICENSE WITH PREFIX ONE ZERO W DASH, FOLLOWED BY FOUR OR FIVE DIGITS NOT RECALLED. DRIVER WAS IN CAR ALONE AND CAR WAS HEAVILY LOADED WITH LUGGAGE, POSSIBLY FIVE OR SIX SUITCASES.

DRIVER PRODUCED A VALID FLA. DRIVER'S LICENSE. WILLIAMS DOES NOT RECALL NAME ON LICENSE, BUT SAID IT WAS UNCOMMON
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NAME IS THIS AREA AND WAS A VERY SHORT NAME WITH ABOUT FOUR LETTERS. LICENSE REVEALED THE DRIVER WAS EMPLOYED AS AN AIRLINE PILOT, AND HE ASKED DRIVER WHAT AIRLINE HE FLEW FOR AND DRIVER NAMED AN AIRLINE, NOT WELL KNOWN, WHICH WILLIAMS CANNOT RECALL. AIRLINE HAD TWO NAMES

ON SEAT NEXT TO DRIVER WAS A FOLDED MAP OF SEVERAL SOUTHEASTERN STATES, WHICH WAS NEATLY MARKED SHOWING A ROUTE FROM SOMEWHERE IN DEEP CENTRAL GEORGIA TO WYTHEVILLE, VA., WILLIAMS ASKED DRIVER WHERE HE WAS GOING AND DRIVER STATED HE WAS GOING TO WYTHEVILLE TO VISIT FRIENDS AND WAS THEN GOING TO CHARLESTON OR BLUEFIELD, W. VA., TO VISIT FRIENDS AND OR RELATIVES. HE DID NOT MENTION ANYONE BY NAME. HE INSTRUCTED DRIVER AS TO HOW TO GET ON HIGHWAY SIXTEEN NORTH.

WILLIAMS STATED, AFTER LOOKING AT PHOTOGRAPH OF GALT, HE IS CERTAIN THAT GALT WAS THE DRIVER OF THIS CAR. HE SAID THERE IS NO DOUBT IN HIS MIND THAT THIS WAS GALT. HE STATED THE DRIVER'S CHEEKS WERE NOT AS FULL AS IN THE PHOTOGRAPH. HE HAD SHARP FEATURES AND HIS FACE WAS NARROWER AND LONGER
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THAN IN THE PHOTOGRAPH. HE HAD A LONG, NARROW, POINTED NOSE AND LARGE EARS. FACE WAS LESS FLESHY THAN PHOTOGRAPH OF GALT. HE DESCRIBED DRIVER AS AGE ABOUT THIRTY, NOT LARGE FRAME, BROWN HAIR, NOT DARK, WHICH WAS SHORT, RECEDING AND MUCH SHORTER THAN IN PHOTOGRAPH AND BRUSHED STRAIGHT BACK. DRIVER WAS VERY COMPOSED AND RESERVED DURING CONVERSATION. DID NOT VOLUNTEER, INFORMATION, BUT ANSWERED QUESTIONS. GAVE IMPRESSION OF BEING PRECISE AND IMMACULATE. WAS WELL GROOMED AND NEAT.

TROOPER MARVIN WRIGHT, NCHP, WAS PRESENT AT THE ROAD CHECK AND DESCRIBED CAR AS FADED GREEN. HE DID NOT TALK WITH DRIVER, BUT RECALLED TROOPER WILLIAMS MENTIONING THE CAR HAD FLA. LICENSE BEGINNING WITH ONE ZERO W AND DRIVER HAD AN EXTREMELY SHORT NAME.

RICHMOND, AT WYTHEVILLE, VA., AND PITTSBURGH, AT CHARLESTON AND BLUEFIELD, W. VA., CONTACT LOCAL AUTHORITIES FOR ANY INFORMATION CONCERNING AUTOMOBILE FITTING DESCRIPTION.

JACKSONVILLE, AT TALLAHASSEE, FLA., WILL AT DMV DETERMINE FEASIBILITY OF CHECKING REGISTRATION RECORDS FOR FIFTY-FIVE
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OR FIFTY-SIX DODGE BEARING LICENSE WITH PREFIX ONE ZERO W.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, PITTSBURGH (44-578) P

DATE: 4/19/68

FROM : SA R. STEPHEN THOMPSON

SUBJECT: MURKIN

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The following Dance Studios in ~~Morgan~~ Morgantown, W. Va., were contacted by me on the dates indicated with negative results:

Virginia School of Dancing, 240 High St., 4/16/68.

Karen Wolfe Dance Studio, 1310 University Ave., 4/17/68.

The following dance studios were contacted by SA EUGENE C. JONES in Fairmont, W. Va., on the dates indicated with negative results:

Monica's Dance Studio, 315½ Adams St., 4/16/68.

Ona Dance Studio, 410 Ogden St., 4/16/68.

SA JONES also contacted Monica's Clarksburg, W. Va. office ~~and~~ on 4/16/68.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, PITTSBURGH (~~44-578~~)
ATTN: SA WILLIAM LOGAN CURTIS

FROM : SA GEORGE A. PATTERSON

SUBJECT: MURKIN
CR
(OO: MEMPHIS)

DATE: 4/17/68

Re telephone call from SA CURTIS, 4/10/68, regarding the attempts to identify a cloth laundry tag bearing #02B-6 or D2B-6.

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The following individuals were contacted on 4/10/68:

Mr. GENE VEST
Greenbrier Laundry
Ronceverte, W. Va.

Mr. D. G. GIBSON
The Greenbrier Hotel Laundry
White Sulphur Springs, W. Va.

Miss GLADYS BOWYERS
Leggs Cleaners
Lewisburg, W. Va.

Mrs. PEACHIE ERSKINE
Keaton's Cleaners and Laundry
East Rainelle, W. Va.

Miss BONNIE CHEWNING
Keaton Laundry
Hinton, W. Va.

Mrs. BLANCHE WORKMAN
Marlinton Cleaners
Marlinton, W. Va.

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①-SA WILLIAM LOGAN CURTIS)
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Mrs. CAROL SPENCER
Summersville Cleaners
Summersville, W. Va.

The above covers all of the laundries located within the Ronceverte RA territory and these contacts were negative in that none could identify instant laundry tag.

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DATE: 4/17/68

FROM : SA ROBERT D. WARDEN

SUBJECT: MURKIN

X
On 4/15/68 the following individuals, owners and operators of Dancing Studios in the Bluefield, W. Va. area were contacted and advised that they have no record of ERIC S. GALT being or ever having been a student of theirs. Both persons advised that they have never heard of GALT before.

Mrs. FRANK SALT, 331 North Bluefield Ave., Bluefield, W. Va.

IRENE E. GRAHAM

Irene Esther Graham School of Dancing, 1316 Pen Mar Ave., Bluefield, W. Va.

It is to be noted that there are no dancing schools in the Princeton, W. Va. area at the present time.

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DATE: 4/17/68

FROM : SA ROBERT D. WARDEN

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Cleveland teletype, dated 4/15/68.

The following persons, employed at the Holiday Inn, Princeton, N. Va., were contacted on 4/17/68 and shown the photograph of the Unsub. All advised that he looked familiar, but could not definitely state whether he had been at the Inn or not.

Records of the Inn were checked from 4/1 - 4/17/68 under the GALT, with negative results.

Mrs. BETTY PETTREY, Cashier
Mr. JOHN KESSINGER, Desk Clerk
Mrs. GEORGIA WATSON, Desk Clerk
Mrs. VIRGINIA KEESEE, Cashier
Mr. M. W. BAXLEY, Innkeeper



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TO : SAC, PITTSBURGH (44-578) (P)

DATE: 4/19/68

FROM : SA THOMAS F. BURGOYNE

SUBJECT: MURKIN
CIVIL RIGHTS
OO: MEMPHIS

Re Pittsburgh memo of SA WILLIAM LOGAN CURTIS
dated 4/10/68.

X
On 4/10/68, SA THOMAS F. BURGOYNE contacted
Mrs. HELEN CARNOUPAKIS, Family Dry Cleaners, Columbus
Way, Weirton, W. Va.; and MARION CAREY, Tri-State Cleaners,
1340 Pennsylvania Avenue, Weirton, W. Va., concerning this
matter. Both advised that the Weirton, W. Va., area does
not have any cleaning establishments which cater to laundry.
They both advised that the nearest locations which would
handle this type of work would be located in Steubenville
and East Liverpool, Ohio.

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DATE: 4/19/68

FROM : SA WILLIAM T. HENDON, JR.

SUBJECT: MURKIN
(OO: MEMPHIS)

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A survey was made of the telephone directories of the major communities in Armstrong, Indiana, and Jefferson Counties and the following was the only dance studio located:

On 4/16/68, Mrs. JAMES E. (FRANCES) WAGNER, of Wagner Dance Studios, Blairsville, Pa., advised that she and her husband have dance studios in Blairsville, Indiana, and Jeannette, Pa. She said that she and her husband are the only employees of Wagner Dance Studios and she has never had a pupil or anyone attending her dance lessons by the name of ERIC GALT.

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TO : SAC, PITTSBURGH (44-578)

DATE: 4/19/68

FROM : SA THOMAS A. HUGHES

SUBJECT: MURKIN
CR
(OO: Memphis)

Re Albany airtel to Bureau, 4/11/68.

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The following investigation was conducted
by SA THOMAS A. HUGHES and SA KENT C. DIXON:

On 4/16/68, WILLIAM TIDBALL, Manager,
Van Balen Laundry, 1403 Fifth Ave., Coraopolis, Pa.,
advised that he has two thermo seal marking machines
in his laundry. Mr. TIDBALL viewed a color photograph
of the laundry marking 02B-6 and advised that this
marking could not have been made on either of his
two thermo seal machines. He advised that his
laundry uses the marking system whereby the first
set of numbers indicate the lot number, the next
figure would be a letter which indicates the day of
the week. He stated that his markings would start
with the number 1 and never would be preceded by a
zero. Physical inspection of the two thermo marking
machines by SAS HUGHES and DIXON determined that one
bore Serial No. 33011, Model No. H5M4B1, and the other
bore Serial No. 33860, Model No. H5S4B1. A sample
stamp was taken from each machine and it was noted
that all of the characters were of equal size.

On 4/17/68, HARRY DUNFEE, Benson Equipment
Corporation, 795 North Washington Road, advised that
his firm sold thermo marking machine, Serial No. 33605,
to the Brandi Cleaners and Dyers, 3638 Frazier,
Oakland, Pa.

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On 4/17/68, GERRY BRANDI, Owner, Brandi Cleaners and Dyers, 3638 Frazier, advised that he had a thermo marking machine, however, the machine was inoperative during the first six months of 1967 and that in the Summer of 1967, he furnished the machine to the Allen Supply Company, 1932 Forbes Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pa., to be sold.

On 4/17/68, CHARLES MARX, Manager, Allen Company, 1932 Forbes Ave., Pittsburgh, advised that the thermo marking machine furnished to him by GERRY BRANDI has been inoperative and he has not yet sold the machine. Physical inspection of the machine by SAS HUGHES and DIXON reflected that it bore Serial No. 33605, and Model No. H5-M4-B1. MARX advised that during the entire time he has had possession of the machine, it has been sitting in his shop and has not been used or leased out to another firm.

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1054PM 1033PM IMMEDIATE 4-19-68 LLD

TO ALL SACSEXCEPT KANSAS CITY, ANCHORAGE, HONOLULU AND SAN JUAN
MESSAGE RELAY PLAN
FROM DIRECTOR 5P

MURKIN. OO: MEMPHIS.

JAMES EARL RAY, AKA. EARL JAMES RAY, W. C. HERRON, EARL JAMES,
JAMES MC BRIDE, JAMES O'CONNER, JAMES WALTON, JAMES WALYON, JIM
- FUGITIVE; UFAC - ROBBERY FIRST, BUFILE 88-41730. OO: KANSAS
CITY, KC FILE 88-9449; DETERMINED TODAY BY BUREAU TO BE IDENTICAL
WITH ERIC STARVO GALT, AGAINST WHOM FEDERAL COMPLAINT FILED APRIL
SEVENTEEN LAST IN CONNECTION WITH FATAL SHOOTING OF DR. MARTIN
LUTHER KING, JR.

JAMES EARL RAY, INMATE, MISSOURI STATE PENITENTIARY, JEFFERSON
CITY, MO., ESCAPED PEN APRIL TWO THREE, SIXTY-SEVEN. INVESTIGATION
INDICATED RAY CONCEALED HIMSELF IN A BREAD BOX AND ESCAPED FROM
TRUCK MAKING DELIVERY TO AN AUXILIARY FARM. RAY WAS SERVING TWENTY
YEARS ON CHARGE OF ARMED ROBBERY - FIRST DEGREE AND FOR OPERATING A
VEHICLE WITHOUT OWNER'S CONSENT. ON JULY TWENTY, SIXTY-SEVEN,
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FEDERAL COMPLAINT AUTHORIZED BY AUSA WILLIAM A. KITCHEN, WESTERN DISTRICT OF MISSOURI, KANSAS CITY, MO., FILED BEFORE USC, JEFFERSON CITY, MO., CHARGING RAY WITH VIOLATION TITLE EIGHTEEN, SECTION ONE ZERO SEVEN THREE, USC. WARRANT ISSUED.

INVESTIGATION HAS BEEN CONDUCTED BY CHICAGO, SPRINGFIELD, ST. LOUIS, AND KANSAS CITY OFFICES IN UNPRODUCTIVE EFFORT TO LOCATE THIS FUGITIVE. KANSAS CITY IS INSTITUTING A FULL AND COMPLETE REINVESTIGATION IN AN EFFORT TO DEVELOP BACKGROUND DATA, RELATIVES, AND ASSOCIATES OF SUBJECT, WHO MIGHT BE IN A POSITION TO ASSIST IN HIS LOCATION.

IN THIS CONNECTION, JAMES EARL RAY AND WALTER TERRY RIFE ON MARCH SEVEN, FIFTY-FIVE, BURGLARIZED THE U. S. POST OFFICE AT KELLERVILLE, ILL., AND STOLE SIXTY-SIX BLANK U. S. POSTAL MONEY ORDERS WHICH THEY PASSED DURING MARCH, FIFTY-FIVE, IN NUMEROUS STATES, WITH THE RESULT THAT BOTH WERE SENTENCED IN U.S.D.C., KANSAS CITY, MO., ON JULY ONE, FIFTY-FIVE, TO USP, LEAVENWORTH, END PAGE TWO

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KANSAS. SUBJECT RAY HAS BEEN DESCRIBED AS A LONER AND RIFE APPARENTLY IS ONE OF HIS FEW CLOSE ASSOCIATES, SUGGESTING POSSIBILITY THEY COULD HAVE BEEN ASSOCIATES IN MURDER OF DR. KING, AND INVESTIGATION ALSO INSTITUTED IN KANSAS CITY AIRTEL TO SPRINGFIELD MARCH ELEVEN LAST TO DEVELOP BACKGROUND INFO RE RIFE AND TO LOCATE HIM FOR INTERVIEW. THIS INVESTIGATION SHOULD ALSO BE RECOVERED AND EXPEDITED TODAY, IT BEING NOTED RIFE AND RAY HAVE BACKGROUND HISTORY IN THE QUINCY, ILL., AREA.

PHOTOS OF JAMES EARL RAY AND WALTER TERRY RIFE ARE BEING FORWARDED AMSD TO BUREAU AND ALL OFFICES.

FOLLOWING IS DESCRIPTION OF JAMES EARL RAY AS FURNISHED BY FBI IDENTIFICATION DIVISION UNDER FBI NO. THREE ZERO SIX FOUR FOUR THREE A: WHITE MALE, DOB , AT DECATUR, QUINCY OR ALTON, ILL.; APPROXIMATELY FIVE FEET TEN; ONE SEVEN FOUR LBS., IN SEPTEMBER SIXTY-SIX; RUDDY COMPLEXION; BLUE EYES; BROWN HAIR; MEDIUM BUILD; OCCUPATIONS LABORER AND BAKER; SCARS AND MARKS--SMALL SCAR ON CENTER OF FOREHEAD AND SCAR IN PALM OF RIGHT HAND. ADDRESSES--ST. LOUIS, MO., MARCH SIXTY, TWO ZERO ONE FIVE PARK, ST. LOUIS, MO., OCTOBER FIFTY-NINE; QUINCY, ILL., JULY FIFTY-FIVE, MARCH FIFTY-FIVE, AND APRIL FIFTY; HOTEL QUINCY, QUINCY, END PAGE THREE

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ILL., MARCH FIFTY-FIVE; VICTOR HOTEL, QUINCY, ILL., MARCH FIFTY-FIVE;
EIGHT FIVE THREE WEST FULLERTON, CHICAGO, ILL., MAY FIFTY-TWO; EIGHT
ZERO FIVE ALBY STREET, ALTON, ILL., JULY FIFTY-ONE. FPC--SIXTEEN,
M OVER M, NINE OVER FOUR, U OVER W, OOO OVER IOI, TWELVE, REF NINE
OVER TWELVE. NCIC FPC--ONE SIX ONE THREE ONE ONE ZERO ZERO ONE TWO
ONE TWO I I ONE TWO I I ONE SEVEN. MILITARY RECORD--JAMES EARL RAY,
SN ONE SIX ONE SIX THREE ONE TWO NINE, ENLISTED U. S. ARMY FEBRUARY
FORTY-SIX, AT EAST ST. LOUIS, ILL., AND SERVED ON ACTIVE DUTY UNTIL
DECEMBER TWENTY-THREE, FORTY-EIGHT, AT WHICH TIME GIVEN GENERAL
DISCHARGE AS PRIVATE FIRST CLASS AT CAMP KILMER, N. J., BY REASON
OF INEPTNESS AND LACK OF ADAPTABILITY FOR MILITARY SERVICE. RECORDS
ALSO INDICATE HE RECEIVED TREATMENT FOR GONORRHEA AND SYPHILIS WHILE
A MEMBER OF THE MILITARY.

FOLLOWING IS A DESCRIPTION OF WALTER TERRY RIFE, FBI NO.
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FOUR FIVE FIVE EIGHT SEVEN SIX SIX, AS OBTAINED FROM FILES OF USP,
LEAVENWORTH: WHITE MALE, AGE FORTY-FOUR, DOB [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] FIVE FEET NINE AND ONE HALF, ONE SIX ONE LBS., BROWN
HAIR, EYES BLUE GRAY.

^ KANSAS CITY IS SETTING OUT ALL PERTINENT LEADS TODAY BY
TELETYPE AND TELEPHONE FOLLOWED UP BY TELETYPE CONFIRMATION.
ALL LEADS MUST BE COVERED WITHIN TWENTY-FOUR HOURS WITH BUREAU,
KANSAS CITY, AND MEMPHIS BEING KEPT ADVISED BY APPROPRIATE
COMMUNICATION OF PERTINENT DEVELOPMENTS.

SUGGEST BUREAU MAKE IMMEDIATE COMPARISON OF ANY LATENT
FINGERPRINTS DEVELOPED DURING KING INVESTIGATION WITH THOSE
OF WALTER TERRY RIFE TO DETERMINE IF IDENTICAL.

AIR MAIL COPIES SENT ANCHORAGE, HONOLULU AND SAN JUAN.
LEGAT MEXICO CITY AND OTTAWA ADVISED.

SUBJECT RAY HAS BEEN CONVICTED OF ROBBERY WITH DEADLY
WEAPON, HAS BEEN CONFINED IN STATE HOSPITAL, FULTON, MO., IN
SIXTY-SIX, AND SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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FBI CLEVELAND

6:05 PM URGENT 4-20-68 SLO
TO DIRECTOR, WFO, PITTSBURGH AND MEMPHIS
FROM CLEVELAND (44-565) 3 P

MURKIN.

MR. STANFORD KOBLENTZ, MANAGER, AKERS FOLKMAN TRAVEL AGENCY, ONE NINE ZERO THREE EAST NINTH STREET, CLEVELAND, OHIO, PHONE M A ONE - NINE THREE TWO THREE, AND MISS LINDA WANTZ, ONE THREE ZERO WEST BOULEVARD, APARTMENT FIVE ZERO THREE - C, CLERK, TRAVEL AGENCY, STATED A MAN, WHO APPEARED TO BE IDENTICAL WITH JAMES EARL RAY, WAS IN THEIR OFFICE APRIL EIGHTEENTH, LAST, AT NINE FORTY FIVE A.M. USING THE NAME CHARLES MOATS. THEY STATED PHOTOGRAPHS IN NEWSPAPER AND PHOTOGRAPHS EXHIBITED TO THEM BY AGENTS OF RAY APPEARED TO BE IDENTICAL WITH THE INDIVIDUAL USING THE NAME CHARLES MOATS. THEY STATED MOATS STATED HE WANTED TO GO TO CLARKSBURG, WEST VIRGINIA, IN A HURRY, AND DID NOT CARE HOW MANY STOPS THE PLANE MADE EN ROUTE.

MOATS WAS GIVEN A TICKET FOR NORTHWESTERN FLIGHT NUMBER THREE TWO SIX, WHICH FLIES NON-STOP TO NATIONAL AIRPORT, WASHINGTON, D.C.,
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ASAC advised by E. Jones advised by

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LEAVING AT ELEVEN TEN A.M. ON APRIL EIGHTEENTH, SIXTYEIGHT, AND WAS GIVEN A TICKET FOR TRANSFER OUT OF WASHINGTON ON LAKE CENTRAL AIRLINES FLIGHT NUMBER FIVE THREE FOUR FROM D.C. NATIONAL AIRPORT AT ONE FIFTY FIVE P.M., ARRIVING CLARKSBURGH THREE TWELVE P.M..

WANTZ STATED MOATS INDICATED HE ARRIVED IN CLEVELAND, OHIO, VIA BUS ON THAT A.M. AND THAT HIS LUGGAGE WAS AT SOME UNKNOWN TERMINAL.

WANTZ AND KOBLENTZ DESCRIBED MOATS AS FOLLOWS:

HEIGHT: FIVE FEET, ELEVEN INCHES.
WEIGHT: ONE SIXTY-FIVE TO ONE SEVENTY.
HAIR: DARK BROWN.
BUILD: MEDIUM.
AGE: MID-THIRTIES.
CHARACTERISTICS: CLEAN SHAVEN
SCARS: ONE-HALF INCH SCAR IN MIDDLE OF FOREHEAD
FOREHEAD CURVED TOWARDS LEFT EYE STOPPING
APPROXIMATELY ONE INCH ABOVE EYE.

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THEY STATED HE WAS ATTIRED IN A DARK TWEED SPORTS JACKET WITH SPORT SHIRT OPEN AT NECK, AND NOT HAT. THEY STATED SPORTS JACKET LOOKED LIKE HE MAY HAVE SLEPT IN IT AND WAS IN NEED OF CLEANING AND PRESSING. THEY STATED HE TALKED WITH A HILLBILLY ACCENT, BUT USED GOOD ENGLISH. BOTH STATED SUBJECT APPEARED TO BE EXTREMELY NERVOUS.

CHECK WITH NORTHWEST AIRLINES SERVICE SUPERVISOR, MISS SHIRLEY ERRIES, CLEVELAND, OHIO, REFLECTS RESERVATION MADE BY CHARLES MOATS FOR FLIGHT NUMBER THREE TWO SIX EN ROUTE NATIONAL AIRPORT, WASHINGTON, D.C., NON-STOP.

WFO, AT NATIONAL AIRPORT, WILL ASCERTAIN IF MOATS CONTINUED TO CLARKSBURG AND WILL ATTEMPT TO DETERMINE IF IDENTICAL WITH RAY BY CONTACTING LAKE CENTRAL AIRLINES.

PITTSBURGH, AT CLARKSBURG, WILL CONTINUE INVESTIGATION TO IDENTIFY AND LOCATE CHARLES MOATS TO DETERMINE IF IDENTICAL WITH RAY.

INVESTIGATION CONTINUING AT CLEVELAND.

COPY SENT KANSAS CITY BY MAIL.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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END.

WRJ

FBI PITTSBGH

*Advise ASAC immediately
from Thomson w/you*

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Director, FBI (44-38861)

DATE: 4/19/68

FROM : SAC, Kansas City (44-760)

SUBJECT: MURKIN ✓

Enclosed to the Bureau are six copies and to each office one copy of the following photographs:

JAMES EARL RAY, Missouri Department of
Correction #00416, dated 3/17/60 and
9/8/66

WALTER TERRY RIFE, Kansas City SO #29636
FBI #4558766

Stand up photographs of RAY on the left, Kansas City SO
#29637 and RIFE, Kansas City SO 29236, taken 3/28/55.

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7:03 PM EST URGENT 4-21-68 WRJ

TO DIRECTOR, MEMPHIS AND KANSAS CITY (MAIL)

FROM PITTSBURGH 44-578

MURKIN.

RE CLEVELAND TEL APRIL TWENTY LAST.

~~X~~ INQUIRY AT LAKE CENTRAL AIR LINES (LCAL), CLARKSBURG, W.VA.,
REFLECTS NO AVAILABLE RECORDS TO VERIFY ARRIVAL OF CHARLES
MOATS ON FLIGHT FIVE THREE FOUR APRIL EIGHTEEN, LAST.

BY DESCRIPTION ONLY, PERSON APPEARING TO BE IDENTICAL
WITH MOATS, TOOK TAXI FROM AIRPORT TO CLARKSBURG BUS TERMINAL
ON APRIL EIGHTEEN, LAST AFTER ARRIVAL OF FLIGHT FIVE THREE FOUR.
THIS PERSON MADE INQUIRY CONCERNING AVIS CAR RENTAL BUT RE-
FUSED TO RENT CAR WHEN TWO HUNDRED DOLLAR DEPOSIT REQUESTED.
THIS PERSON INDICATED IT WOULD BE CHEAPER TO BUY A CAR AND
WAS GIVEN DIRECTIONS TO LOCAL FORD DEALER. CONTACTS AT BUS
TERMINAL, HOTELS AND MOTELS, LOCAL POLICE, TRAIN DEPOT,
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