

Clothing : dark suit
 white shirt
 no tie
 no hat
 no glasses

Scars : no noticeable scars or marks

Eberly was shown WANTED Flyer
* 442-A, dated 4/19/68, and she
unhesitatingly stated that the unknown
person did not resemble the photographs
of the instant WANTED Flyer.

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FBI INDAPOLS

3:01 PM URGENT 5-4-68 JCS

TO PHILADELPHIA

FROM INDIANAPOLIS (44-563)

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DALLAS, KANSAS CITY, MEMPHIS, AND NEW YORK FURNISHED AM COPIES.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC

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Via A I R T E L _____
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FROM: SAC, PITTSBURGH (44-578) (P)

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OO: MEMPHIS

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- 2 - Memphis
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W. Connor
Shields

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Approved: _____
Special Agent in Charge

Sent _____ M

Per _____

LEADS

HOUSTON and NEW ORLEANS - INFORMATION

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PHILADELPHIA

AT PHILADELPHIA, PA.

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TELETYPE

TO: SACS, NEW YORK AND NEWARK
FROM: SAC, DALLAS (44-2649)(P)

MURKIN. OO-MEMPHIS.

RE NEW YORK TELETYPE TO BALTIMORE APRIL THIRTY, LAST, LISTING PASSENGERS ON AAL FLIGHT THREE THREE EIGHT. TELEPHONE NUMBER LISTED FOR MRS. PAUL S. BAINES IS PHONE NUMBER FOR FRANK CONE FORD, DALLAS, AND SHE NOT KNOWN THERE. NEW YORK RECHECK MANIFEST FOR CORRECTNESS OF TELEPHONE NUMBER OR OTHER IDENTIFYING INFORMATION.

TELEPHONE NUMBER FR SIX - FIVE ZERO SIX ZERO IS LISTED TO JOHN E. THOMPSON, TWO EIGHT ZERO SIX RAMSEY, DALLAS, AND HE NOT ACQUAINTED WITH (FNU) LENLEY OR ANYONE ON PERTINENT FLIGHT, NOR DID HE TAKE FLIGHT. NEW YORK RECHECK FOR CORRECT PHONE NUMBER OR OTHER IDENTIFYING DATA.

NEWARK BY TELETYPE, MAY TWO, LAST, TO DALLAS, AND PHILADELPHIA, ADVISED TELEPHONE EX THREE - ONE THREE EIGHT ONE IN NEW JERSEY IS LISTED TO A DONALD KENNEY, ONE TWO TWO WOODSIDE AVENUE, TRENTON, NEW JERSEY, AND MRS. KENNEY ADVISED SHE KNOWS NO ONE NAMES RANDALL

1-Dallas
1-Memphis (AM)(44-1987)
1-Philadelphia (AM)
FFJ:nc (3)

[Handwritten signature]
Joanna Joe

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NOR HAS ANYONE IN HER FAMILY BEEN TO DALLAS, TEXAS, OR ON PERTINENT AAL FLIGHT. NEWARK TELETYPE POINTED OUT AREA CODE SEVEN ONE SEVEN IS IN EASTERN PENNSYLVANIA AND REQUESTED PHILADELPHIA TO RECHECK WITH BELL TELEPHONE RE PHONE NUMBER. NEW YORK AT AAL RECHECK RE PASSENGER MANIFEST FOR CORRECT PHONE NUMBER OR OTHER IDENTIFYING INFORMATION RE (FNU) RANDALL AND ADVISE APPROPRIATE OFFICE.

MEMPHIS AND PHILADELPHIA ADVISED AIR MAIL.

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FBI

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SUBJECT: MURKIN
CR

(OO: Memphis)

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Approved: R.G. Jensen
Special Agent in Charge

Sent _____ M Per _____

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 FROM: SAC, HOUSTON (44-1509)
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*Cedar Crest College
CURTIS Hall 3rd floor
FARM BEAUMONT TEXAS TO
433-9403*

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<u>SACRAMENTO:</u>			
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<u>SEATTLE:</u>			
12/15/67	468-9868 (Houston, Texas)	206-622-4911	Seattle, Wash.
<u>SPRINGFIELD:</u>			
12/16/67	835-9435 (Beaumont, Texas)	309-452-4852	Normal, Ill.
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Date May 3, 1968

RE:

MURKIN

- 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:

Enclosed are copies of another photograph taken of James Earl Ray, aka Eric S. Galt in Fall of 1967.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC(44-1368)(P)

DATE: 5/3/68

FROM : SA Ralph C. Hamner, Jr.

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re N.Y. teletype to Baltimore, etral, 4/30/68 and Dallas teletype to Philadelphia, 5/1/68.

On instant date Miss Mary Stack, sister of Mrs. Thomas H. Williams, was contacted at ~~2702~~ Apt. 1702, Hopkinson House, Washington Square, Philadelphia, Pa. and furnished the following information. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas H. Williams operated a political consulting firm that was and were now in Indianapolis, Indiana for the Presidential primary. She would not say which political candidate they were working for but said they worked from 9am until 11pm each day and their office phone # was 317-636-5480. She said they were staying at the Essex House, Room 516, Phone-317-639-4501.



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**Australian Police Hunt
For King Case Fugitive**

Canberra, Australia — (AP) — Australian police are hunting for James Earl Ray, wanted in the United States on a charge of killing the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Police officials said the U. S. Federal Bureau of Investigation cabled that it had information indicating Ray, also known as Eric Starvo Galt, might have fled to Australia.

Australian police have also begun an intensive examination of all entry documents filed at points of entry since King's assassination, but officers say nothing positive has ~~turned up~~ yet.

(Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

p.1—"The Evening
— Bulletin"
Philadelphia, Pa.

Date: 5/1/68

Edition: 2 star

Author:

Editor: Wm. B. Dickinson

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Victor Riesel

King's Slaying a Conspiracy, Justice Department Believes

WASHINGTON characters. The name "Galt" was contrived by novelist Ayn Rand, who fashioned the "John Galt" in "Atlas Shrugged" after the late John Galt, one of the most prestigious of capital attorneys and once a power in the iron and steel industry. So the pseudonym, apparently not the creation of an illiterate, reflects a smooth fellow, suave and dynamic and a leader of men.

There are those high in the Justice Department, therefore, who believe that Eric Starvo Galt-James Earl Ray was a hired killer, heavily paid and amply supplied with cash.

Most of this was in \$20 bills. Evidence is piling up inside the Bureau to justify investigation of a conspiracy beyond Galt and a man he said was his brother. This evidence moves the case swiftly beyond the conjectures of amateur criminologists.

Part of the evidence is provable free flow of cash (some \$7000) Galt-Ray was able to pour out whenever he wished. In addition to the white Mustang, the dance lessons and the bartenders school fee, the accused assassin crossed this country in a manner no poor man could. The car has 19,000 miles on its speedometer.

Whether or not he drove, he is known to have lived well in cities so distant from each other that Galt-Ray would have had to have traveled more than 15,000 miles in the last nine or ten months.

Whoever planned his itinerary, his make-up, his aliases, had a novelist's imagination. Ray, for example, is (or was) a James Bond fan. "Eric Starvo" is one of Bond's suave

NO one in the FBI or the Justice Department, despite weeks of questioning, would conjecture over the nature of the conspiratorial cell. It could be Klan-like. But it could be northern as well as southern.

The conspirators could be in Southern Mississippi, Chicago or even out of the country.

One thing is certain. There's been a fantastic search. For example, every "John Willard" (Galt's Memphis boarding-house alias) in the U. S. has been checked out.

Investigators don't put much stock in the interpretation that because Galt-Ray frequented Atlanta and Birmingham the conspiracy was centered in the deep South. The probers believe that the white car and the Remington rifle were purchased and planted in such a manner that the leads would point southward.

Galt-Ray had Chicago connections of some kind, it's believed. There is obvious evidence and there are leads which the authorities grimly refuse to discuss. The obvious leads are the letters which

Eric Starvo Galt received from Chicago while living in the Birmingham rooming house.

The Bureau and the Justice Department, as well as Attorney General Ramsey Clark, are silent because they think too much has been said already.

THIS is the second biggest manhunt in the history—second only to the probe of the John Kennedy assassination when each of the Bureau's 6000 agents was involved in some fashion.

Where is Galt-Ray? Of course he can be on any continent. But the prevailing Justice Department theory now is that the killer is in some tiny hamlet or village—so small that big town dailies just aren't followed closely by all the residents.

So, the Federals now are preparing to get the sniper's photo into those isolated clusters of rural communities.

One thing is certain: Justice Department believes it has evidence leading to a conspiracy.

(Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

p.7b-"The Philadelphia Inquirer" Philadelphia, Pa.

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Editor: Walter H. Annenberg
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TO INDIANAPOLIS
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RE NEW YORK TELE TO BALTIMORE, ET AL, FOUR THIRTY SIXTY EIGHT, CONTAINING INFO FROM MRS. DONOVAN WOODSIDE ABOUT AAL FLIGHT THREE THREE EIGHT ON FOUR SIX LAST DALLAS TO PHILA., AND DALLAS TELE TO PHILA., FIVE ONE SIXTY EIGHT.

FOR BENEFIT OF INDIANAPOLIS, MRS. WOODSIDE ADVISED SHE SAW AN INDIVIDUAL ON FLIGHT IN TOURIST CLASS WHOM SHE BELIEVED WAS IDENTICAL TO JAMES EARL RAY.

RE TELE FURNISHED LIST OF NAMES AND PHONE NUMBERS OF INDIVIDUALS ON THE FLIGHT IN TOURIST CLASS.

LEAD IN RETELE WAS TO IMMEDIATELY CONDUCT APPROPRIATE INVESTIGATION TO LOCATE, IDENTIFY, AND INTERVIEW PASSENGERS ON AAL FLIGHT THREE THREE EIGHT TRAVELING TOURIST CLASS TO DETERMINE IF ANY INDIVIDUAL IDENTICAL WITH RAY.

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RE DALLAS TELE REFLECTED THAT ONE INDIVIDUAL ON FLIGHT LISTED AS MRS. THOMAS WILLIAMS, APT. ONE SEVEN ZERO TWO HOPKINSON

- 1- MEMPHIS (AMSD)
- 1- PHILADELPHIA (44-1368)

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Special Agent in Charge

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HOUSE, WASHINGTON SQUARE, PHILA., PA.

INVESTIGATION PHILA. REFLECTS MR. AND MRS. WILLIAMS RUN POLITICAL CONSULTING FIRM AND ARE CURRENTLY STAYING AT ESSEX HOUSE, ROOM FIVE ONE SIX, PHONETHREE ONE SEVEN SIX THREE NINE FOUR FIVE ZERO ONE, INDIANAPOLIS, OFFICE PHONE THREE ONE SEVEN SIX THREE SIX FIVE FOUR EIGHT ZERO. THEY ARE THERE WORKING ON THE PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARIES IN INDIANA.

INDIANAPOLIS HANDLE.

MEMPHIS ADVISED BY MAIL.

RAY ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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TO DALLAS (44-2649)

FROM PHILADELPHIA (44-1368)

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MRS. DONOVAN WOODSIDE ABOUT FLIGHT THREE THREE EIGHT, AAL, APRIL SIX
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SERVICE.

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SMU, PHONE AC TWO ONE FOUR FIVE TWO ONE FOUR NINE SIX EIGHT.

DALLAS HANDLE.

AIRMAIL COPY TO MEMPHIS.

RAY A & D.

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TO DALLAS (44-2649)
FROM PHILADELPHIA (44-1368)

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DALLAS HANDLE.

AIRMAIL COPY TO MEMPHIS.

RAY A & D.

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AIRTEL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
FROM: SAC, PHILADELPHIA (44-1368) (P)
SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Atlanta airtel 4/25/68, regarding cars stolen from Georgia subsequent to 3/23/68.

No vehicles have been recovered in the Philadelphia Field Division that were stolen in the state of Georgia subsequent to 3/23/68.

3 - Bureau (44-38861)
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TO : SAC, PHILADELPHIA (44-1368)

DATE: 5/1/68

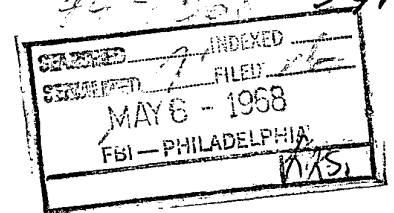
FROM : SA ROBERT E. JENKINS

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re: Butel to all SACs 4/29/68

Records officer

~~XXXXXX~~ Lt. CHESTER CORRIGAN, Lancaster, Pa. P.D. and Chief GARDINE BINK, Columbia, Pa. P.D. advised on 5/1/68 they do not maintain a latent fingerprint file. Lt. CORRIGAN stated there are no law enforcement agencies in Lancaster County which maintains a latent fingerprint file.



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TO MEMPHIS (44-1987)
FROM PHILADELPHIA (44-1368)

MURKIN; OO: ME.

RE DALLAS TELETYPE TO PHILADELPHIA MAY TWO SIXTY EIGHT.
RICHARD C. EFFING - AAL # THREE THREE EIGHT, FOUR SIX
SIXTY EIGHT.

EFFING INTERVIEWED AT HIS HOME, FOUR FIVE FOUR ZERO
TOLBUT STREET, PHILADELPHIA, PA., AND CONFIRMED TAKING FLIGHT
THREE THREE EIGHT. EFFING SAW NO ONE SIMILAR TO IO OR WANTED
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TO MEMPHIS 44-1987
FROM PHILADELPHIA 44-1368

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FBI MEMPHIS

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AIRTEL

TO: Director, FBI (44-38861)
ATTENTION: IDENTIFICATION DIVISION,
LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION

JLO
FROM: SAC, Philadelphia (44-1368)

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Philadelphia airtel to Bureau, 4/26/68, and
Bureau airtel to Philadelphia, 5/2/68.

Mr. JOHN J. O'DONNELL, 47 North 13th Street,
Philadelphia, Pa., today advised that he served in the
U. S. Navy, where he was fingerprinted and had U. S. Navy
Serial Number [REDACTED]. He advised he was born 3/1/22 at
Philadelphia, Pa.

The Identification Division is requested to
compare the fingerprints of O'DONNELL from his fingerprints
taken while he was in the U. S. Navy with the latent
fingerprints developed from the gin bottle.

In view of O'DONNELL having been fingerprinted
while in the U. S. Navy, Philadelphia, at this time, is
not fingerprinting O'DONNELL.

Information copy furnished Memphis.

3 - Bureau (44-38861)
1 - Memphis (44-1987) (Info)
1 - Philadelphia (44-1368)

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Memorandum

TO : SAC (44-1368)

DATE: 4/20/68

FROM : M. B. DAVIS, SA

SUBJECT: MURKIN
CR

On 4/12/68 the Philadelphia PD picked up for questioning an individual that identified himself as, Harold Nelson Van Winkle aka Harold Van Winkel. His address was given as 8559 $\frac{1}{2}$ Rose Street, Belflower, California. He was a white male, six feet, 165 pounds, blond, light complexion, born 8/21/26 Moberly, Mo.. He was picked up as a possible suspect in the instant case. His fingerprint classification was obtained by taking a set of his prints. His primary and secondary classification was
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1 Ut. It is noted that this does not coorespond with the classification of Ray.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

500 Widener Building
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19107

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

May 3, 1968

City Editor,

Dear Sir:

Enclosed are one mat and one proof pertaining to James Earl Ray who was added to the FBI's list of "Ten Most Wanted Fugitives," Saturday, April 20, 1968.

The FBI is requesting the aid of the nation's news media for the widest possible publicity on a continuing basis in an effort to bring about the prompt apprehension of this badly sought fugitive.

Your cooperation in this matter is greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]
JOE D. JAMIESON
Special Agent in Charge

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC (44-1368)

DATE: 5/3/68

FROM : SA D. ALAN REIGHLEY III

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re memo of SA JAMES L. O'CONNOR, dated 4/30/68.

Detective KENNETH SWEIKERT, Reading, Pa. Police Department advised 5/1/68, both their regular fingerprint men are off duty. He stated Detective ANTHONY O'REILLY will next be on duty 5/3/68, and Detective MICHAEL DEMARCO will return to duty 5/6/68.

Trooper JAMES RUCCO, Bureau of Criminal Identification, Pennsylvania State Police, Reading, Pa. advised 5/1/68, he will compare the fingerprints of JAMES EARL RAY, IO 4182 with all the unidentified latents in their files since 4/23/67. He stated that due to their heavy work load he will be unable to complete his comparisons until 5/2/68.

On 5/2/68, Trooper RUCCO advised RAY's prints as set forth on IO 4182 are not identical to any unidentified latents in their files. Trooper RUCCO explained that with the exception of the Reading Police Department, all other law enforcement agencies in Berks County generally request the assistance of State Police in dusting and lifting latent prints and he knows ~~none~~ of no other department with the exception of the Reading PD who might maintain unidentified latent prints.

On 5/3/68, Detective ANTHONY O'REILLY, Bureau of Criminal Identification, Reading Police Department advised his department does not maintain an unidentified latent print file per se but does retain unidentified latents in the various case files where they have been obtained. He stated that due to other assignments at this time he would be unable to search the various files for these latents until Tuesday, 5/7/68, and should be able to advise writer of results of comparisons with RAY's prints by 5/8/68.

LEAD:

AT READING, PA.

Will recontact Detective ANTHONY O'REILLY, BCI, RPD 5/8/68, and obtain results of his comparison of their unidentified latents with prints of JAMES EARL RAY as set forth on IO 4182.

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J. O'Connor Joe



UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC (44-1368) (P)

DATE: 5/2/68

FROM : SA PHILIP F. SNODGRASS

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Rememo of CC ROBERT C. KEARNEY dated 4/26/68.

The following investigation was conducted on 4/26/68
by SA SNODGRASS:

Chief AUSTIN BROWN, New Britain, Pa., Police Department, advised that BETTY W. CONNER, 78 Barrie Circle, New Britain, Pa., is the widow of EDWARD J. CONNER and has resided at 78 Barrie Circle with her family for many years. Chief BROWN advised that CONNER's family consisted of four children, a son approximately 17 years old, two daughters ages approximately 20 and 22 years, and a son approximately 27 years of age. Chief BROWN further advised that the 27 year old son is retarded and that he somewhat seems to resemble the photograph taken in 1960 of subject JAMES EARL RAY that appears on FBI wanted flyer 442-A. Chief BROWN further advised that no member of the CONNER family had ever been arrested by his department or by any other police jurisdiction to his knowledge.

A Pontiac Firebird displaying Pennsylvania registration 131-458 was observed parked in the driveway of 78 Barrie Circle, New Britain, Pa. It is noted that the Pontiac Firebird resembles a Chevrolet Camaro in appearance.

Mrs. BETTY W. CONNER, 78 Barrie Circle, advised that she was driving her Pontiac bearing Pennsylvania license 131-458 south on the Schuylkill Expressway around 2 p.m. on 4/26/68, and in the car with her was her 27 year old son who is mentally retarded. She stated that the reason she was on the Schuylkill Expressway at that time was that she was enroute to the Philadelphia airport to pick up her sister who was visiting her from Rochester, New York. Mrs. CONNER advised that she does not know subject JAMES EARL RAY and to her knowledge has never seen him.



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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC (44-1368) (P)

FROM : SA THOMAS F. LEWIS

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 5/2/68

Re memo of Clerk E.R. ALEGADO dated 4/22/68.

On 4/23/68 Mr. ROBERT O'DONNELL, 311 East Ashland Avenue, Glenolden, Pa., was contacted at his residence by SA THOMAS F. LEWIS. He advised of the following information:

On the evening of 4/14/68, which was the evening before Easter, O'DONNELL was playing together with one EMIL SCULLY in roaming musical group of one guitar and one violin. They were playing at the Town House Restaurant, Media, Pa., and at about 9:30 p.m. they were in the large dining room facing onto Baltimore Pike. Upon entering the room they noticed there were only about four couples there and that one of the couples sitting nearest to the door was a very nice looking couple of perhaps 35 to 37 years of age.

This couple requested some tunes to be played particularly the western and folk type music and during part of this they got up and danced on the small dance floor in the room. After about 15 minutes the couple invited O'DONNELL and his partner to join them at their table for a drink which they did. During about a 10 minute conversation over this drink, no formal introductions were made; however, it was learned that the couple was probably from Columbus, Ohio, and that they were both very good dancers and they owned an airplane on which at one time the Beatles musical group had been transported during one of their tours in the United States.

Several days after this O'DONNELL noticed in the newspaper the photographs of the individual wanted in connection with the shooting of MARTIN LUTHER KING and he had the distinct impression that one of these photographs resembled the individual who he had met at the Town House.

O'DONNELL pointed out that the newspaper photograph of JAMES EARL RAY taken about ten years ago and depicting RAY

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O'DONNELL was shown the photographs of JAMES EARL RAY appearing on the recently issued wanted flyer as well as the photographs which have appeared recently in local newspapers. He stated that none of these photographs appeared to resemble the individual he met with the exception of the older photograph of RAY and he felt this was similar principally because in that photo RAY is smiling and the individual he met was constantly smiling and appeared to have a very warm and friendly personality.

O'DONNELL recalled the couple at the Town House left sometime around 11 p.m. on 4/14/68, however, he did not recall whether they left alone or what type of automobile they were using.

O'DONNELL described the man at the restaurant as:

Height	About 5'10"
Weight	180 pounds
Hair	Dark brown, receding, curly (receding at the temples)
Complexion	Dark
Build	Well built
Characteristics	Extremely good dresser

He stated the woman who was with him was about 35 years of age, blonde hair, very attractive and very well dressed, having fur which appeared to be either a mink or sable.

O'DONNELL stated that although he does not work at the Town House frequently he has been there often in the past, however, he did not recall ever seeing this couple there before.

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Mr. DIGNAZIO displayed these photographs to the other employees who were working that evening and all advised these photographs were not familiar to them and they did not recall that they had ever seen anyone matching these photographs.

On 4/25/68 Mr. EMIL SCULLY who resides at Paxon Hallow and Rose Valley Road, Rose Valley, Pa., was contacted in this matter by SA LEWIS. SCULLY advised that he recalled playing at the Town House Restaurant on the evening of 4/14/68 with BOB O'DONNELL, however, he did not recall the couple described by O'DONNELL. He noted that he plays in musical groups nightly in various locations throughout the East Coast and it is extremely difficult for him to recall an incident going back ten days.

SCULLY was shown various photographs of JAMES EARL RAY and he stated none of these appeared familiar to him. SCULLY stated that he was quite sure he had never seen anyone who resembled these photographs and he has the distinct impression that he did not recall seeing anyone at the Town House Restaurant on either 4/14/68 or later who might resemble the photographs of RAY.

SCULLY stated that there are no reservations taken for dinner at the Town House on Saturday nights and, it therefore, would be impossible to check and determine if identity of the individual referred to by O'DONNELL. He noted, however, that should he observe anyone at the Town House or the other restaurants in the area at which he plays who might resemble the subject RAY, he would immediately notify this office.

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TELETYPE

TO: SAC, DALLAS (44-2649)

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (44-1609)

MURKIN, OFFICE OF ORIGIN: MEMPHIS

RE AMERICAN AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE THREE EIGHT.

RE NEW YORK TELETYPE TO BALTIMORE, ETC. APRIL
THIRTY LAST WITH LEAD FOR DALLAS RE MRS. BAINE, (FNU)
LENLEY AND (FNU) RANDALL AND DALLAS TELETYPE TO NEW YORK
MAY THREE LAST.

INFORMATION REPORTED CORRECT ACCORDING TO
RECORDS OF AAL RE BAINE, LENLEY AND RANDALL. NO
ADDITIONAL INFO AVAILABLE CONCERNING THESE INDIVIDUALS.

MEMPHIS AND PHILADELPHIA ADVISED AIR MAIL.

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TWO ADDITIONAL PHOTOGRAPHS OF RAY WERE RELEASED TODAY TO NEWS MEDIA IN WASHINGTON. PHOTOGRAPH NUMBER ONE SHOULD BEAR CAPTION "JAMES EARL RAY (PHOTOGRAPH TAKEN NINETEEN SIXTY-SEVEN IN MEXICO)." THIS IS THE PHOTOGRAPH OF RAY IN DARK GLASSES AND SPORT SHIRT. PHOTOGRAPH NUMBER TWO SHOULD BEAR CAPTION "JAMES EARL RAY (PHOTOGRAPH TAKEN LATE JANUARY OR EARLY FEBRUARY NINETEEN SIXTY-EIGHT IN CALIFORNIA)." THIS IS HEAD SHOT OF RAY IN BUSINESS SUIT WHICH SHOWS MARKED CLEFT IN CHIN. YOU ARE AUTHORIZED TO REPRODUCE COPIES OF THESE TWO PHOTOGRAPHS LOCALLY AND YOU SHOULD INSURE THEY RECEIVE WIDE-SPREAD DISTRIBUTION THROUGH ALL MEDIA CONTACTS. FIVE COPIES OF EACH OF THESE PHOTOGRAPHS PREVIOUSLY FURNISHED ALL OFFICES. LEGATS OTTAWA AND MEXICO ADVISED.

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