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Via TELETYPE URGENT  
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TO: MEMPHIS (44-1987)  
FROM: SAN DIEGO (44-387)

MURKIN - COST DATA

RE MEMPHIS AIRTEL TO ALBANY APRIL NINETEEN LAST.

ONE) NUMBER OF MAN HOURS SPENT ON CASE. A. SPECIAL AGENTS. (ONE) REGULAR THREE HUNDRED FIFTY FIVE MAN HOURS, (TWO) OVERTIME FIFTY MAN HOURS. B. CLERICAL EMPLOYEES. (ONE) REGULAR ONE ZERO ONE MAN HOURS, OVERTIME NO MAN HOURS. TWO) TOTAL MILEAGE TRAVELED BY BUEAU AUTOMOBILES - ONE EIGHT FOUR SEVEN MILES. THREE) ANY UNUSUAL OR OUT-OF-ORDINARY COSTS - NONE. FOUR) PEAK NUMBER OF SPECIAL AGENTS WORKING ON CASE DURING MONTH FOR WHICH REPORT IS SUBMITTED - FIFTEEN.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)  
FROM: SAC, NORFOLK (44-268)(P)

MURKIN

RE: JIMMY RAY BUNDY

Re San Diego airtel to Bureau, 4/23/68.

On 4/26/68 SA JAMES A. HENDRIAN obtained the following information:

Mr. JAMES L. BUNDY, Owner of Bundy Realty Co., 5000 Portsmouth Blvd., Portsmouth, Va., advised that his son has not worked for him for some time and that he has not seen him for over a month.

Mr. BUNDY stated that he has very little contact with his son as he (JIMMY RAY) has moved back to Greenville, N. C., to live with his mother. He stated that his son formerly worked for Boyce Ready Mix Co. of Portsmouth.

BUNDY displayed a photograph of his son which in no way resembles that of subject JAMES EARL RAY.

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Mr. JACK SMITH, Manager, Boyce Ready Mix Co., 3001 Frederick Blvd., Portsmouth, Va., advised that JIMMY RAY BUNDY was employed as a truck driver between 3/14/68 and 4/4/68. He was hired with the understanding that the position was a temporary one. SMITH advised that BUNDY's payroll records and time cards reflect that he worked on 4/4/68 from 7:00 a.m. until 4:36 p.m.

SMITH was shown a photograph of JAMES EARL RAY and advised that there was no similarity between RAY and BUNDY.

SMITH and JAMES L. BUNDY described JIMMY RAY BUNDY as follows:

Sex	Male
Race	White
Age	30
Height	6'
Weight	200 pounds (large build)
Hair	Light brown
Eyes	Blue

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MURKIN

RE CHICAGO TELETYPE TO BUREAU APRIL THIRTY LAST.

RE THREATS TO MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

RE JOSEPH JOHN GAFFNEY AND ORVILLE H. BRETTMAN.

MARY CARTER, CLERK, BASE LOCATOR, CAMP PENDLETON,  
CALIFORNIA, ADVISED HER RECORDS REFLECT ORVILLE H. BRETTMAN,  
MARINE SERIAL NUMBER [REDACTED] CURRENTLY  
SERVING OVERSEAS WITH "F" COMPANY, SECOND BATTALION, THIRTEENTH  
MARINES, HAVING DEPARTED DURING EARLY FEBRUARY, NINETEEN  
SIXTY EIGHT.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)  
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CHICAGO (44-1114)  
MEMPHIS (44-1987)  
SAN FRANCISCO (173-65)  
FROM: SAN DIEGO (44-387)

MURKIN.

RE DONALD STOUT, SUSPECT, CO DASH CONSPIRATOR.

RE SAN DIEGO TELETYPE TO BUREAU, BOSTON, CHICAGO,  
MEMPHIS, AND SAN FRANCISCO APRIL THIRTIETH LAST.

STEWART LINDH TELEPHONICALLY ADVISED INSTANT DATE  
THAT DATES FURNISHED BY HIM OF OCTOBER FOUR, NINETENN SIXTY  
DASH SIX SHOULD HAVE BEEN SEPTEMBER FOUR, NINETEEN SIXTY DASH  
SIX, AND CLASSIFIED AD APPEARED IN SAN FRANCISCO CHRONICLE  
SEPTEMBER TWO, NINETEEN SIXTY DASH SIX.

SAN FRANCISCO AND BOSTON CONDUCT REQUESTED  
INVESTIGATION IN REFERENCED TELETYPE WITH ABOVE DATES.

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SAN FRANCISCO REQUESTED TO EXPEDITE FURNISHING PHOTO  
DONALD STOUT FOR DISPLAYING TO STEWART LINDH.

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TO DIRECTOR (44-38861), BOSTON, AND CHICAGO (44-1114) MEMPHIS (44-1987)  
AND SAN DIEGO (44-387)  
FROM SAN FRANCISCO (173-65) (P) 2P

MURKIN

RE DONALD STOUT - SUSPECT. CO-CONSPIRATOR.

RE SAN DIEGO TELETYPE TO SAN FRANCISCO AND ABOVE OFFICES, APRIL  
THIRTY LAST.

JAMES HEALY, CHARTER MANAGER, NATIONAL CAR RENTALS SYSTEM, SEVEN  
THREE FIVE HARRISON STREET, SAN FRANCISCO, WHICH RENTS AUPOMOBILES AND  
OPERATES BUSES IN SAN FRANCISCO AND OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, APRIL THIRTY  
LAST ADVISED NO RECORD FOR DONALD STOUT OR DONALD LAWRENCE STOUT IN  
FILES. ADVISED ROBERT E. STOUT, BORN   
PLACE NOT INDICATED, EMPLOYED THEIR COMPANY AS BUS DRIVER MAY NINE NINE-  
TEEN SIXTY THREE AND STILL EMPLOYED.

PHOTOGRAPH OF DONALD LAWRENCE STOUT NOT IDENTICAL TO PRESENT  
EMPLOYEE ROBERT E. STOUT, ACCORDING TO HEALY. HOWEVER  
INVESTIGATION CONTINUING TO DEFINITELY RESOLVE AS NON IDENT  
TO DONALD STOUT. MARGARET REED, PAYROLL CLERK, ABOVE COMPANY, ADVISED  
THIS DATE UNABLE LOCATE ANY RECORD FOR DONALD LAWRENCE STOUT OR  
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DONALD STOUT AND NO RECORD ONE NINE SIX SIX CHEVROLET IMPALA BEARING LICENSE PLATE P S J NINE ZERO SEVEN. STATED WOULD BE UNUSUAL FOR THEM TO HAVE AUTOMOBILE DRIVEN FROM SAN FRANCISCO TO BOSTON OR NEW YORK. NO NEWSPAPER ADD LOCATE@ IN "SAN FRANCISCO CHRONICLE" ISSUES OF OCTOBER ONE DASH THREE, NINETEEN SIXTY SIX.

CURT KRAFT, MANAGER, ADVERTISING AND ACCOUNTING DEPARTMENT, SAN FRANCISCO NEWSPAPER PRINTING INCORPORATED, WHICH PRINTS "SAN FRANCISCO CHRONICLE", ADVISED THIS DATE THAT BILLING RECORDS FROM SEPTEMBER SIX NINETEEN SIXTY SIX THROUGH NOVEMBER TWO EIGHT NINETEEN SIXTY SIX, CONTAINED NO REFERENCE TO DONALD STOUT OR DONALD LAWRENCE STOUT, WHICH WOULD INDICATE STOUT WAS NOT BILLED FOR ANY ADD PLACED BY HIM.

SUBJECT ARMED AND DANGEROUS

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FBI DALLAS

9 48 PM URGENT 5-1-68 CBB

TO DIRECTOR (44-38861), DENVER, LOS ANGELES, SACRAMENTO, SAN DIEGO,  
SAN FRANCISCO  
FROM DALLAS (44-2649)

MURKIN. OO: MEMPHIS.

RE TELEPHONE CALLS BY SUBJECT RAY EN ROUTE FROM LOS ANGELES TO  
NEW ORLEANS. RE DALLAS TEL APRIL THIRTY LAST.

FOR INFO OF OFFICES NOT RECEIVING RE TEL, ON THE ABOVE TRIP  
SUBJECT RAY ALLEGEDLY MADE SEVERAL TELEPHONE CALLS FROM COIN TELE-  
PHONES WHILE IN TEXAS. A CHECK OF TOLL CALLS MADE FROM COIN  
TELEPHONES ALONG ROUTE TAKEN BY RAY FOR DECEMBER FIFTEEN, SIXTEEN,  
AND SEVENTEEN, OF SIXTYSEVEN, ARE BEING MADE AND THE FOLLOWING HAVE  
BEEN DETERMINED TO DATE. EACH OFFICE SHOULD ESTABLISH THE IDENTITY  
OF SUBSCRIBERS TO TELEPHONE NUMBERS LISTED AND ATTEMPT TO IDENTIFY  
BY WHOM THE INSTANT TELEPHONE CALL WAS RECEIVED FROM. IF RAY MADE  
CALL, OBTAIN ALL AVAILABLE INFO CONCERNING HIM.

DENVER.

CALLS MADE FROM COIN TELEPHONES LOCATED AT ALPINE, TEXAS.

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*8:49 pm*  
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DECEMBER SEVENTEEN LAST, THREE O FIVE PM, TWO FOUR TWO ZERO SEVEN  
TWO ZERO, GRAND JUNCTION, COLORADO;

DEC. SEVENTEEN LAST, SIX FORTYFIVE PM, TWO FOUR TWO SEVEN  
FOUR ONE TWO, GRAND JUNCTION, COLORADO;

DEC. FIFTEEN LAST, TEN FIFTYTHREE PM, FOUR TWO EIGHT NINE TWO  
ZERO SEVEN, ARVADA, COLORADO;

LOS ANGELES

CALLS MADE FROM COIN TELEPHONES LOCATED AT SANDERSON, TEXAS.

DEC. FIFTEEN LAST, SEVEN FIFTYTWO PM, FIVE TWO NINE ZERO ONE  
THREE THREE, MOORPARK, CALIF.;

DEC. SIXTEEN LAST, TWELVE TWENTYEIGHT PM, FOUR NINE TWO SEVEN  
THREE NINE SEVEN, SAN CLEMENTE, CALIF.;

DEC. SEVENTEEN LAST, ELEVEN THIRTYONE AM, SEVEN THREE FOUR  
SEVEN FOUR ZERO EIGHT, LOS ANGELES, CALIF.;

DEC. SIXTEEN LAST, ELEVEN FIFTYFIVE AM, FIVE TWO NINE EIGHT  
FOUR FOUR FOUR, MOORPARK, CALIF.;

CALL MADE FROM COIN TELEPHONE LOCATED AT ALPINE, TEXAS

DEC. SEVENTEEN LAST, TWELVE FIFTYEIGHT PM, NINE EIGHT FOUR ONE  
FIVE NINE SIX, ONTARIO, CALIF.;

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SACRAMENTO

CALL MADE FROM COIN TELEPHONE LOCATED AT ALPINE, TEXAS  
DEC. SEVENTEEN LAST, SEVEN EIGHTEEN AM, EIGHT EIGHT TWO TWO  
NINE SIX, DEL REY, CALIF.;

SAN DIEGO.

CALL MADE FROM COIN TELEPHONE LOCATED AT SANDERSON, TEXAS  
DEC. SEVENTEEN LAST, TWO FORTYEIGHT PM, <sup>4</sup>FOUR <sup>4</sup>FOUR <sup>2</sup>TWO <sup>1</sup>ONE  
<sup>2</sup>FOUR <sup>3</sup>THREE <sup>1</sup>ONE, EL CAJON, CALIF.;

SAN FRANCISCO.

CALL MADE FROM COIN TELEPHONE LOCATED AT SANDERSON, TEXAS  
DEC. SEVENTEEN LAST, TWO EIGHTEEN PM, FIVE THREE FOUR TWO TWO  
SIX ZERO, OAKLAND, CALIF.

CALL MADE FROM COIN TELEPHONE LOCATED AT ALPINE, TEXAS  
DEC. SIXTEEN LAST, TWELVE FIFTYSIX PM, FIVE FOUR FIVE SIX THREE  
SEVEN THREE, SANTA ROSA, CALIFORNIA.

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FBI SANDIEGO

(Mount Clipping in Space Below)

# FBI Sees King Reward As 'Lever'

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (UPI) — Robert Jansen, Federal Bureau of Investigation special agent, yesterday said the \$100,000 in reward money offered for the assassin of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. might be a "lever" to pry open the case.

"I want to be able to tell our agents if there is a reward and how it can be collected," Jansen said. "It could be a lever they need to get some information."

Jansen is the agent in charge of the Memphis FBI office, the field headquarters in the search for the sniper who killed King April 4 as he stood on the balcony of the Lorraine Motel here.

## REWARD DATA

Jansen made the comment while getting information about the reward from the offices here of the Memphis Commercial Appeal and Press-Scimitar.

The newspapers began the reward fund the morning after King's murder. It was doubled later that day when the Scripps-Howard group, owners of both newspapers, matched the newspapers' \$25,000 offer.

The fund grew later when the Memphis City Council appealed for public contributions and underwrote a reward of \$100,000 in the case.

In Atlanta yesterday, Atty. Gen. Ramsey Clark said he remains confident "law enforcement will break the case." Clark added, "I had hoped we would have an arrest by this time."

## SNIPER ALONE?

Clark said the FBI still believes only the sniper was in Memphis at the time King was shot and that other members of the conspiracy the FBI has said existed did not take part in the actual slaying.

Meanwhile, a Los Angeles woman now staying in a Milwaukee hotel was visited by an FBI man and a Milwaukee detective after she was named in a syndicated column as the girl friend of James Earl Ray.

Louis Lomax of the North American Newspaper Alliance identified the girl as "Jerrie." She told a reporter and officers that she did not recognize a picture of Ray and had not heard the names James Earl Ray, Eric Starvo Galt or any of the other aliases Ray has used.

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

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California

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TO CHICAGO (44-1114) SPRINGFIELD (44-561) MEMPHIS (44-1987)  
FROM DIRECTOR 1P

MURKIN

RE SI TELEPHONE CALL AND TELETYPE APRIL EIGHT AND CG TEL  
APRIL NINE.

REMAINING UNIDENTIFIED LATENT FINGERPRINTS THIS CASE NOT  
IDENTICAL FINGERPRINTS HARVEY EDWARD LOHMEYER, STATE PENITENTIARY,  
KENARD, ILLINOIS NUMBER [REDACTED], FBI NUMBER SEVEN  
THREE ZERO NINE SEVEN NINE A. NO PALM PRINTS AVAILABLE.

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TO DIRECTOR (44-28861) AND ST. LOUIS  
FROM SPRINGFIELD (44-561) 1P

MURKIN

RE BUREAU TEL TO ALL CONTINENTAL OFFICES INSTANT DATE.

INDICES SPRINGFIELD REFLECT REFERENCE TO HARVEY LOHMEYER,  
WHITE MALE, AGE TWENTYTHREE IN NINETEEN FIFTY FIVE, FIVE FEET  
EIGHT, FBI NUMBER SEVEN THREE ZERO NINE SEVEN NINE A. HOME  
ADDRESS PALMYRA, MISSOURI.

INFO TELEPHONICALLY FURNISHED BUREAU AND LATENT FINGERPRINT  
SECTION.

AS REQUESTED IN RETEL ST. LOUIS IMMEDIATELY CHECK OUT  
LOHMEYER AT PALMYRA, MISSOURI.

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DIRECTOR (44-38861) SPRINGFIELD, AND MEMPHIS  
FROM CHICAGO (44-1114)

MURKIN.

REBUTEL TO ALL CONTINENTAL OFFICES INSTANT.

NO RECORD OF HARVEY LOWMEYER OR VARIATIONS IN CHICAGO  
OFFICE INDICES, TELEPHONE DIRECTORY, AS WELL AS SUBURBAN  
TELEPHONE DIRECTORIES. OTHER PUBLIC AGENCY RECORDS AND  
UTILITY COMPANY RECORDS WILL BE CHECKED FIRST THING TOMORROW.

CHICAGO PD RECORDS REVEAL ONE HARVEY LOWMEYER, HAS RECORD  
CARD INDICATING AGE TWENTY THREE IN NINETEEN FIFTY FIVE,  
HEIGHT FIVE EIGHT AND ONE HALF INCHES, MENARD ILLINOIS PRISON  
NUMBER TWO FOUR FIVE TWO FIVE, FINGERPRINT CLASSIFICATION  
THIRTY ONE OVER TWENTY EIGHT M OVER I, I OVER I, O OVER I,  
EIGHTEEN, NO CHICAGO ARRESTS INDICATED. NO RECORD OTHER  
VARIATIONS OF HARVEY LOWMEYER.

IDENTIFICATION DIVISION. OBTAIN FINGERPRINT CARD FOR  
LOWMEYER AND COMPARE WITH LATENTS CAPTIONED MATTER.

SPRINGFIELD, AT MENARD PRISON. OBTAIN LATEST PHOTOGRAPH,  
COPY OF PRINTS, BACKGROUND INFORMATION AND INSTITUTE EFFORTS TO  
DETERMINE PRESENT WHEREABOUTS OF HARVEY LOWMEYER.

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FRANCISCO (172-65) / 2P/

MAIN.

RE: HARVEY EDWARD LOHMEYER.

REURTEL TO SAN FRANCISCO AND MEMPHIS, THIS DATE, AND BUREAU PRESS RELEASE CONCERNING JAMES EARL RAY.

LOHMEYER REINTERVIEWED THIS DATE BY BUREAU AGENTS AND DOES NOT RECOGNIZE PHOTOGRAPH OF ERIC STARVO GALT, AKA. NAME'S JAMES EARL RAY FAMILIAR TO LOHMEYER BUT HE CANNOT LINK THIS NAME WITH GALT'S PHOTOGRAPH. LOHMEYER WHO WAS REARED QUINCY, ILLINOIS, SERVED SENTENCE ILLINOIS STATE FARM, VANDALIA, APPROXIMATELY ONE NINE FIVE ZERO, AND ILLINOIS STATE PENITENTIARY, MENARD, ONE NINE FIVE FIVE TO ONE NINE FIVE EIGHT, ASSOCIATES NAME JAMES EARL RAY WITH QUINCY. LOHMEYER KNEW WALTER TERRY RIFE AS LOCAL CROOK IN QUINCY. ALSO ACQUAINTED WITH LONNIE RIFE, YOUNGER BROTHER OF WALTER, AND SERVED TIME WITH LONNIE AT MENARD. STATES BOTH WALTER AND LONNIE WELL KNOWN.

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*handle wife I have*  
*to SF*

*James Earl Ray*



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DIRECTOR (44-38861) (MAIL) AND SAN FRANCISCO (173-65)  
FROM SPRINGFIELD (44-561)

MURKIN; JAMES EARL RAY, AKA-FUGITIVE. UFAC-ROBBERY, FIRST.  
OO KC.

REBU TELEPHONE CALL ALL OFFICES TODAY; SPRINGFIELD  
TELEPHONE CALL TO SAN FRANCISCO TODAY; SAN FRANCISCO TELETYPE  
TO BUREAU, APRIL TWELVE LAST RE MURKIN.

SPRINGFIELD INVESTIGATIVE FILE CONCERNING JAMES EARL RAY  
INDICATES RAY FORMERLY RESIDED QUINCY, ILLINOIS: TWO ONE FIVE  
OAK STREET, CARE OF LUCILLE RYAN IN NINETEEN FORTYEIGHT; AND  
TWO ONE FOUR SPRING STREET IN NINETEEN FIFTYTWO. ASSOCIATE,  
WALTER TERRY RIFE, HAS RELATIVES QUINCY, ILLINOIS.

SAN FRANCISCO REINTERVIEW HARVEY EDWARD LOHMEYER,  
SANTA CLARA, CALIFORNIA, WHO WAS FORMERLY FROM QUINCY, ILLINOIS,  
TO DETERMINE IF ACQUAINTED WITH RAY AND RIFE AND IF IN POSSESSION  
INFORMATION RE CURRENT WHEREABOUTS.

SUTEL.

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COPIES MAILED KANSAS CITY AND MEMPHIS.

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ATLANTA, BIRMINGHAM, CHICAGO, KANSAS CITY,  
ST. LOUIS, LOS ANGELES, LAS VEGAS, AND SPRINGFIELD  
SAN FRANCISCO (173-65) 2P

RE HARVEY EDWARD LOHMEYER, SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA.

LOHMEYER REINTERVIEWED AT SAN JOSE BY BUREAU AGENTS TODAY. HE IS UNABLE TO RECOGNIZE ANY PHOTOGRAPH OF JAMES EARL RAY, HOWEVER, NAME EARL RAY IS FAMILIAR TO LOHMEYER. HE IDENTIFIED ONE NINE FIVE FIVE PHOTOGRAPH OF WALTER TERRY RIFE AS INDIVIDUAL HE KNEW IN QUINCY, ILLINOIS, PRIOR TO ONE NINE FIVE FIVE. ALSO ADVISED HE KNEW JOHN RAY AND HIS BROTHER, JERRY RAY\* THESE PEOPLE ALSO USED NAME RYAN. LOHMEYER SERVED TIME AT MENARD, ILLINOIS, WITH JOHN RAY AND LONNIE RIFE, BROTHER OF WALTER.

DURING PERIOD ONE NINE FIVE FIVE TO ONE NINE FIVE EIGHT THE RAY (RYAN) FAMILY CONSISTING OF MOTHER AND SISTER KB JOHN RAY MOVED FROM QUINCY PD ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI. DURING THIS PERIOD ONE OF RAY FAMILY, POSSIBLY JERRY OR EARL RAY, WAS ARRESTED IN MISSOURI FOR CRIME INVOLVING POSTAL MONEY ORDERS ACCORDING TO LOHMEYER. LOHMEYER WORKED IN PRISON KITCHEN WITH JOHN RAY WHEN RAY WAS EIGHTEEN

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SEVENTEEN YEARS OF AGE. STATES RAY HAD STRONG PREJUDICE AGAINST  
NIGROES BUT EXPAINED THIS WAS GENERAL FEELING AMONG WHITE INMATES.  
LOHMEYER CONSIDARS JOHN RAY OF TEMPERMENT TO COMMIT MURKIN BUT  
PROBABLY WOULD BE INVOLVED AS HIRED ASSASSIN. THIS OPINION WAS NOT  
SOLICITED BUT WAS INTRODUCES IN INTERVIEW BY LOHMEYER WHO HAS CLOSELY  
FOLLOWED THIS CASE THROUGH NEWS MEDIA.

ALL OFFICES CONSIDER RAY BROTHERS AND RIFE BROTHERS AS POSSIBLE  
ACCOMPLICES OF JAMES EARL RAY.

SPRINGFIELD AND ST. LOUIS ATTEMPT TO FURTHER IDENTITY JOHN LARRY  
RAY (RYAN) AND ASCERTAIN CURRENT ACTIVITIES.

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TO DIRECTOR (44-38861), MEMPHIS (44-1987) & SPRINGFIELD  
FROM SAN FRANCISCO (173-65)

MURKIN

REBUTEL TO SAN FRANCISCO AND MEMPHIS, APRIL TWELVE,  
INSTANT.

HARVEY EDWARD LOHMEYER, SIX NINE ZERO CORNELL DRIVE,  
SANTA CLARA, CALIFORNIA, INTERVIEWED AT RESIDENCE THIS DATE BY  
BUREAU AGENTS WITHOUT DISCLOSING TO HIM PRECISE NATURE OF  
INQUIRY. LOHMEYER PROVIDED FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

WAS BORN AND RAISED QUINCY, ILLINOIS. ARRESTED THERE  
AT AGE EIGHTEEN FOR STRONG ARMED ROBBERY AND SERVED SENTENCE  
ILLINOIS STATE PENITENTIARY. CAME TO CALIFORNIA SEVEN YEARS  
AGO AND ARRESTED SAN DIEGO FOR ATTEMPTED BURGLARY. SERVED  
SEVERAL YEARS CUSTODY AT SOLEDAD AND SAN QUENTIN PRISONS. WHEN  
PAROLED FOUR TO FIVE YEARS AGO, OBTAINED EMPLOYMENT WITH  
SPIVEY'S RESTAURANT CHAIN, SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA AREA AND HAS  
RETAINED THIS JOB STEADILY SINCE. DURING PERIOD MARCH, LAST,  
TO PRESENT DATE HAS WORKED EVERY DAY SIX A.M. TO TWO  
SPIVEY'S AS COOK EXCEPT FOR DAYS OFF ON MONDAYS.

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(THIS INFORMATION VERIFIED THROUGH TIME CARD RECORDS DESCRIBED  
IN SAN FRANCISCO TEL, APRIL ELEVEN, LAST.)

LOHMEYER CLAIMS THAT HE NEVER VISITED OR TRAVELLED  
IN ANY PART OF COUNTRY EXCEPT ILLINOIS AND WEST COAST. HAS NEVER  
OWNED FIREARMS AND IS NOT PROFICIENT IN THEIR USE. STATES NEVER  
KNEW ANYONE WITH SAME NAME AS HIS AND COULD SUGGEST NO ONE WHO  
MIGHT HAVE EVER USED HIS NAME OR VARIATION THEREOF. SAYS HE HAS  
THREE BROTHERS WITH SAME SURNAME. IDENTIFIED AS WALTER, AGE FOUR  
EIGHT, THOMAS, AGE THREE EIGHT, AND DONALD, AGE THREE SEVEN, ALL  
LAST KNOWN TO RESIDE IN QUINCY, ILLINOIS AREA, EXACT ADDRESSES AND  
EMPLOYMENTS UNKNOWN AS HAS HAD NO CONTACT WITH THESE RELATIVES FOR  
SEVERAL YEARS. SAYS BROTHERS THOMAS AND DONALD LOHMEYER ARE VERY  
SIMILAR IN DESCRIPTION TO HIMSELF, WHICH IS WHITE MALE, FIVE FEET  
EIGHT INCHES, ONE FOUR ZERO POUNDS, SLIM BUILD, BROWN DASH GRAYING  
HAIR, THINNING ON TOP AND IN FRONT, BLUE EYES, WATERY, FAIR  
COMPLEXION. SAYS NEVER KNEW ANY OF HIS BROTHERS TO USE HIS NAME  
AT ANY TIME. HE AND WIFE ARE PURCHASING HOME AT THIS ADDRESS,  
HAVE FOUR CHILDREN, OWN AND OPERATE A ONE NINE SIX ONE WHITE FALCON  
AND A ONE NINE FIVE EIGHT WHITE PONTIAC, BOTH REGISTERED IN CALIFORNIA

LEADS. SPRINGFIELD OFFICE AT QUINCY, ILLINOIS: WILL  
FULLY IDENTIFY WALTER, THOMAS, AND DONALD LOHMEYER AND IMMEDIATELY  
DETERMINE WHEREABOUTS AND ACTIVITIES DURING PERIOD MARCH TWO NINE,  
LAST, THROUGH APRIL FOUR, LAST. IN THIS REGARD, BROTHER AT SANTA  
CLARA, CALIFORNIA, BELIEVES WALTER LAST KNOWN TO BE EMPLOYED AS

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BREAD TRUCK DRIVER AND BROTHER THOMAS LAST KNOWN TO BE EMPLOYED  
AT STOVE FOUNDRY, QUINCY, ILLINOIS.

END.

DO NOT INCLUDE THIS IN TELETYPE:

INTERVIEW DESCRIBED ABOVE WAS CONDUCTED BY SAS FRANCIS M. CONNOLLY  
AND ERVIN THIBAULT, JR.

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Via TELETYPE URGENT  
(Priority)

TO DIRECTOR (44-38861), BIRMINGHAM, & MEMPHIS (44-1987)  
FROM SAN FRANCISCO (173-65)

MURKIN

RE SACRAMENTO TELS, APRIL TEN, LAST, AND APRIL  
ELEVEN, INSTANT.

RE: HARVEY EDWARD LOHMEYER

RECORDS OF THE SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA PD REFLECT THAT  
HARVEY EDWARD LOHMEYER HAS FBI NUMBER SEVEN THREE ZERO NINE  
SEVEN NINE A. HE IS A WHITE MALE, BORN [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] QUINCY, ILLINOIS. HE IS FIVE FEET EIGHT INCHES TALL,  
ONE FOUR ZERO POUNDS, BROWN HAIR, BLUE EYES, HAS EXTENSIVE ARREST  
RECORD UNDER ABOVE FBI NUMBER IN ILLINOIS AND CALIFORNIA FOR  
SUCH CRIMES AS ROBBERY, RIOTING, AND BURGLARY. LOHMEYER SHOWS  
EMPLOYMENT FOR SPIVEY'S RESTAURANT CHAIN.

ON APRIL ELEVEN, INSTANT, HIS EMPLOYER, VERNON  
ROGERS, MANAGER, SPIVEY'S DRIVE-IN, FIVE THREE FIVE EAST SANTA  
CLARA STREET, SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA, ADVISED LOHMEYER PRESENTLY  
RESIDES AT SIX NINE ZERO CORNELL DRIVE, SANTA CLARA, CALIFORNIA,

- 1 - Sacramento (AM)(RM) (100-427)
- 1 - San Francisco

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AND HAS BEEN EMPLOYED AT SPIVEY'S DRIVE-IN, SAN JOSE, FOR PAST FIVE YEARS. ROGERS STATES LOHMEYER HAS HAD NO ABSENCES EXCEPT FOR DAYS OFF DURING PAST SIX MONTHS. LOHMEYER WORKS SIX DAYS A WEEK AS A CHEF AND IS OFF ON MONDAYS.

BUREAU AGENTS EXAMINED LOHMEYER'S TIME CARDS FOR PERIOD MARCH TWO NINE, LAST, THROUGH APRIL SIX, LAST, AND DETERMINED HE WAS ON DUTY EACH DAY FROM APPROXIMATELY SIX A.M. UNTIL TWO P.M.

LOHMEYER WAS OBSERVED BY BUREAU AGENTS WITHOUT HIS KNOWLEDGE AND HE APPEARS TO BE SIMILAR IN APPEARANCE TO MUG SHOT ON RECORD AT SANTA CLARA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE UNDER SAN JOSE PD NUMBER SEVEN EIGHT THREE ZERO TWO.

EMPLOYER DESCRIBED HIM AS MARRIED MAN WITH FOUR DEPENDENTS WHO IS RELIABLE AND STABLE EMPLOYEE.

LOHMEYER UNAWARE OF BUREAU'S INTEREST IN HIS BACKGROUND.  
AIRMAIL COPY TO SACRAMENTO.

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TO: SAC, SAN DIEGO  
FROM: SAC, SPRINGFIELD (44-561) - P -  
SUBJECT: MURKIN  
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A review of this matter in the Springfield Division reflects the enclosed communications re HARVEY LOHMEYER which are being furnished for your information.

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TO SAN DIEGO

FROM SAN FRANCISCO (173-65) P 1P

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MRS. DELPHIA HASTINGS, ONE SEVEN NINE THREE FOUR IDA DRIVE, LOS GATOS, CALIFORNIA (CONCEAL), TODAY ADVISED THAT HER COUSIN, MRS. LEWIN (HAZEL) SPRATLEY, CHULA VISTA, CALIFORNIA, WAS MARRIED TO A JAMES RAY DURING ONE NINE FIVE NINE DASH SIX ZERO. STATES THIS INDIVIDUAL STRONGLY RESEMBLES PHOTOGRAPH OF JAMES EARL RAY AS APPEARS ON IO. LEWIN SPRATLEY IS ROOFING CONTRACTOR AT CHULA VISTA. EXACT ADDRESS UNKNOWN TO HASTINGS.

SAN DIEGO INTERVIEW MRS. SPRATLEY TO DETERMINE FURTHER DETAILS RE HER FORMER HUSBAND AND POSSIBILITY IDENTICAL WITH JAMES EARL RAY.

SUBJECT ARMED AND DANGEROUS

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**AIRMAIL**

**TO: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (173-65)**  
**FROM: SAC, SAN DIEGO (44-387)**  
**SUBJECT: MURKIN**

Re San Francisco teletype to San Diego 5/1/68.

Mrs. HAZEL SPRATLEY, 638 Parkbrook Lane, Spring Valley, California, was interviewed by SAs ARNOLD W. O'BRIEN and CHARLES W. BONE, 5/1/68, and furnished the following information:

Mrs. SPRATLEY's former husband is ARCHIE RAY GILL. He is presently residing at 1701 South Ft. Smith, Ft. Smith, Arkansas. He was born [redacted] at Ponchatoula, Louisiana.

Mrs. SPRATLEY displayed a photograph of her husband GILL and there was no resemblance between this photograph and photographs of JAMES EARL RAY.

She also displayed an address book showing the name A. R. GILL, 1701 South Ft. Smith, Ft. Smith, Arkansas.

According to Mrs. SPRATLEY, her former husband, ARCHIE RAY GILL, was in an automobile accident about three years ago and has been in a cast ever since. He is unable to move about.

In view of the above, no further investigation concerning GILL is deemed necessary.

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② - San Diego

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## Assassination Suspect Held

MEXICO CITY (AP) — Police in the northwest Mexican town of Caborca said today they are holding a U.S. citizen who they said fits the general description of James Earl Ray, sought on a charge of killing Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

Lt. Roberto Fletcher of the judicial police investigation office said he arrested the man in a Caborca cafe.

Caborca is in Sonora state, about 80 miles southwest of Nogales, Ariz.

Fletcher said the man crossed the border at Nogales with a U.S. passport April 7. The lieutenant said he arrested him because of his similarity to published photographs of Ray.

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# American Touring in Mexico Is Quizzed in Slaying of King

MEXICO CITY (AP) — Mexican authorities questioned a U.S. citizen today they said resembles the man wanted on a charge of slaying Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., then released him without pressing any charges.

Daniel David Kennedy, 41, of Baltimore, who said he was on a walking tour of Sonora State, denied any connection with King's death.

An FBI agent, identified only as Mr. Smith, said there was no resemblance between Kennedy and the suspect, James Earl Ray, according to police in the city of Hermosillo.

## Taken Into Custody

Lt. Roberto Fletcher of the judicial police in Caborca, Sonora, had taken Kennedy into custody from a Caborca hotel.

In Baltimore, Kennedy's mother, Pearl E. Kennedy, said, "There is just no connection. He doesn't even look like him (Ray)."

"It was impossible for him to do it," said Mrs. Kennedy. "He wouldn't even kill a fly, let alone kill a human being."

## Wanted to Take Off

Mrs. Kennedy said her son left Baltimore March 24 to go to Mexico — "he wanted to take off, that's all" — and that he telephoned her from there on Sunday.

"He was so happy when he talked to me," said Mrs. Kennedy. "He said people were so friendly to him there, because everything was so peaceful and quiet."

Fletcher said earlier that the man he was holding made a telephone call this week to Baltimore asking that money be sent him in Caborca.

Fletcher said he picked the man up about 6 p.m. yesterday in Caborca, about 80 miles southwest of Nogales, Ariz.

## Crossed Border

The officer said he took the man in because of his similar-

ity to published photographs of Ray.

Fletcher said the man crossed the border at Nogales on April 7 and told him he had walked to Caborca.

Police in Ciudad Victoria detained another man briefly 10 days ago because he fit the general description of Ray. There have also been reports from several other Mexican cities of persons spotting men resembling Ray.

The FBI announced April 17 that it was seeking a man identified as Eric Starvo Galt in connection with King's slaying in Memphis on April 4.

## Escaped Prison

Two days later, the bureau said a "systematic and exhaustive search" through its fingerprint files revealed that Galt and Ray, a 40-year-old drifter and prison escapee, were the same.

Ray fled from the Missouri Penitentiary on April 23, 1967, while he was serving the seventh year of a 20-year sentence for a market holdup and

auto theft in St. Louis.

The FBI said Eric Starvo Galt was one of a string of aliases used by Ray in frequent brushes with the law beginning when he was 21 years old, several years after he dropped out of high school in the 10th grade.

Ray was described as 5-foot-10, 163 to 174 pounds, with brown hair, blue eyes and small scars on his forehead and right palm. He was said to have a habit of tugging on an ear when nervous. His left ear protrudes slightly further than his right ear.

Authorities said Ray had worked at various times as a laborer, baker and color-matcher.

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## Mexico Frees King Suspect

HERMOSILLO, Mexico (UPI) — An American tourist from Baltimore, arrested and questioned by Mexican police in their hunt for a suspect in the slaying of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., was released yesterday with apologies by state authorities.

Daniel D. Kennedy, 42, had been arrested Wednesday in Caborca, 80 miles southwest of Nogales, Ariz., and questioned for 12 hours before being brought to this Sonora state capital.

State police turned him loose with apologies less than two hours after his arrival here. Kennedy left state police headquarters saying he wanted to continue his trip to Guaymas.

Arnold Denys, American vice council in Hermosillo said Kennedy has been "completely eliminated" as a suspect through a check by Hermosillo police of his background, circumstances, facial features and fingerprints.

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**MEDIA AID IN SEARCH****Pre-Trial Publicity Justified**

Can there be many Americans who do not know much about Eric Starvo Galt, alias John Willard, alias Harvey Lowmyer and also apparently known as James Earl Ray?

In recent weeks we have learned that this person, sought in connection with the insane slaying of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., is an escaped convict from Missouri.

We have learned through the press and electronics media that he is a hard drinker, likes to dance, has aggressive tendencies, where he lived, the kind of car he drove and where he visited, the guns he purchased, his political leanings, his occupations, what his cell-mate thought of him and many other things.

Much of the information represents the hard, traditional work of the press. Much of it, including photographs, was released by law enforcement agencies.

The purpose of this proper volume of information and publicity is to bring Ray before the bar of justice to question him about the slaying of Dr. King.

It is a legitimate purpose, an excellent and traditional co-operative effort between the press and law enforcement. If history is an indicator, the publicity will eventually lead to the arrest and a fair trial for Ray.

Ironically, if more recent history also sets a pattern the informational spigot regarding Ray will be turned off abruptly after he is arrested.

And the authority for the silence likely will be the Reardon Report of the American Bar Association. In that report, the ABA group recommends that law enforcement officers give little more than the name, "rank and serial number" of persons arrested.

The case of Eric Starvo Galt or James Earl Ray is a dramatic one and public interest is high. The public has been asked to co-operate in apprehension of the suspect and has a right to the information.

This does not mean in any sense, however, that Galt/Ray will not be able to get a fair trial in the United States of America. We submit that Americans who have not heard of Ray probably could not be on a jury that eventually hears his case.

We have the utmost faith that he will be able to get an impartial trial on the basis of the evidence submitted in court, regardless of the publicity that is essential for his apprehension.

And when Ray does come to trial, the Reardon Report and the American Bar Association's penchant for denying the public its right to know crime news also will be before a jury — the American people.

People should see clearly the illogic of saying a fair trial is not possible with widespread publicity. In the Ray case this is not locking the barn door after the horse is gone. The door, was never closed and never should be.

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SAN DIEGO (44-387)(P)

FROM : SA WILLIAM OTTO HEATON

SUBJECT: MURKIN  
CIVIL RIGHTS

DATE: 4/30/68

On April 24, 1968, the following investigation was conducted by SA WILLIAM OTTO HEATON at San Diego, California:

At the offices of Ace Auto Parks, Evan Z. Jones Enterprises, 1111 Seventh Avenue, San Diego, California, 92101, telephone 233-6624, Mr. FORREST COX, General Manager, advised that he had been employed with the company for 15 years, and that he was familiar with every employee who had ever worked at Ace Auto Parks and any of their public parking lots.

Mr. FORREST COX advised that Ace Auto Parks operate a public parking lot at Third and C Street, San Diego, California.

Mr. FORREST COX viewed the photographs of JAMES EARL RAY appearing on FBI I. O. 4182, dated April 20, 1968, and advised that he had never seen the individual pictured thereon, and that he was certain that JAMES EARL RAY, also known as ERIC STARVO GALT, ET AL, had never been employed during his 15 years with Ace Auto Parks.

Mr. FORREST COX further caused a records check to be made of all former employees with negative results regarding the names JAMES EARL RAY, and aliases.

The following office employees of Ace Auto Parks viewed FBI I. O. 4182, dated April 20, 1968, re JAMES EARL RAY, and advised that they had never seen the individual pictured thereon:

1. Mr. RICHARD MC CARTHY, Assistant General Manager;
2. Mr. GEORGE E. MUNGER, Personnel Manager;
3. Mrs. CORY LYNCH, Bookkeeper.

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TO : SAC, **SAN DIEGO**

DATE: **4/30/68**

FROM : SA **WILLIAM OTTO HEATON**

CI  SI  R (Prob)

PCI  PSI  R

SUBJECT: **JAMES ALVIN SIMS**

Dates of Contact <b>4/24/68</b>	
Titles and File #s on which contacted <b>MURKIN CIVIL RIGHTS</b> <b>SD 44-387</b>	

Purpose and results of contact

NEGATIVE  
 POSITIVE  
 STATISTIC

PCI observed photograph of JAMES EARL RAY on FBI I. O. 4182, dated 4/20/68, and advised that the individual in the photograph resembled a person with whom he was once employed a year ago at a public parking lot on the corner of Third and C Streets, San Diego, California. PCI advised that he did not remember the fellow employee's name but did recall that he was in San Diego from Los Angeles, California.

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating <b>Good</b>	Coverage <b>General Criminal</b>
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TO: BUREAU (44-38861)  
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MEMPHIS (44-1987)  
FROM: SAN DIEGO (44-387)

MURKIN

RE DALLAS TELETYPE TO BUREAU MAY ONE LAST.

RE TELEPHONE CALLS BY SUBJECT RAY ENROUTE FROM LOS ANGELES TO NEW ORLEANS.

RECORDS PACIFIC TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH, SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA, REFLECT TELEPHONE NUMBER FOUR FOUR TWO DASH ONE FOUR THREE ONE, EL CAJON, CALIFORNIA, SUBSCRIBED TO BY FRANK SEDLACEK, AND ADDITIONAL LISTING FRANK FELLER, AT ONE THREE NINE LANDALE LANE, EL CAJON, CALIFORNIA.

MR. AND MRS. FRANK FELLER, ONE THREE NINE LANDALE LANE, ADVISED FRANK SEDLACEK DECEASED. ALSO ADVISED THEY DEPARTED THEIR RESIDENCE DECEMBER THIRTEEN, NINETEEN SIXTY SEVEN, ENROUTE TO FLORIDA AND FRIENDS, MR. AND MRS. MILO DVORAK, FROM CEDAR RAPIDS, IOWA, REMAINED IN THEIR HOUSE FROM DECEMBER THIRTEEN, NINETEEN SIXTY SEVEN, TO APRIL THIRTEEN LAST.

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ENROUTE TO FLORIDA THE FELLERS WERE DELAYED SEVERAL DAYS AT VAN HORN, TEXAS, DUE TO HEAVY SNOW STORM AND THEY DEPARTED VAN HORN, TEXAS, APRIL SEVENTEEN LAST.

FELLERS MADE TELEPHONE CALL AT SANDERSON, TEXAS, DECEMBER SEVENTEEN, NINETEEN SIXTY SEVEN, TO THEIR HOME TELEPHONE NUMBER TO TALK WITH DVORAKS. PHOTOGRAPHS OF SUBJECT RAY DISPLAYED TO MR. AND MRS. FELLER AND THEY ADVISED HE IS UNKNOWN TO THEM.

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TO DIRECTOR (44-38861) BOSTON, CHICAGO (44-1114) MEMPHIS (44-1987)

AND SAN DIEGO (44-387)

FROM SAN FRANCISCO (173-65) 1P

MURKIN

RE: DONALD STOUT - SUSPECT, CO-CONSPIRATOR

RE SA- FRANCISCO TEL MAY ONE LAST.

ROBERT E. STOUT INTERVIEWED TODAY AND DETERMINED NOT IDENTICAL TO LAWRENCE D. STOUT, AKA DONALD STOUT. STATED DONALD STOUT NOT RELATED AND NOT KNOWN. ADVISED PHOTO OF DONALD STOUT SIMILAR TO YELLOW CAB COMPANY DRIVER NICKNAME "PANCHO," FORMER EMPLOYEE OF BARRETT TRANSPORTATION COMPANY, OPERATOR OF CABS BETWEEN SAN FRANCISCO AND SAN FRANCISCO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT WHO SOLD OUT IN OCTOBER, SIXTYFOUR.

"PANCHO" DETERMINED TO BE ADOLFO JOSE VALLE, YELLOW CAB COMPANY EMPLOYEE, BORN [REDACTED] EL SALVADOR. VALLE INTERVIEWED TODAY AND DETERMINED NOT IDENT TO DONALD STOUT.

SUBJECT ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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TO: DIRECTOR ✓ (44-38861)  
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MEMPHIS ✓ (44-1987)  
SAN FRANCISCO ✓ (173-65)

FROM: SAN DIEGO (44-387)

MURKIN

RE DONALD STOUT, SUSPECT, CO-CONSPIRATOR.

RE SAN DIEGO TELETYPE TO DIRECTOR, BOSTON, CHICAGO, MEMPHIS, AND SAN FRANCISCO MAY ONE LAST, AND SAN FRANCISCO TELETYPE TO DIRECTOR, BOSTON, CHICAGO, MEMPHIS, AND SAN DIEGO MAY ONE LAST.

PHOTOGRAPH OF LAURENCE D. STOUT TAKEN MARCH SIXTEEN, NINETEEN FIFTY THREE, RENO POLICE DEPARTMENT, RENO, NEVADA, NUMBER ONE FIVE FOUR NINE FIVE, WAS DISPLAYED TO STEWART LINDH, SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA, MAY THREE INSTANT, AND HE ADVISED PHOTOGRAPH IDENTICAL TO THE DONALD STOUT WHO GAVE HIMSELF AND TWO OTHERS A RIDE TO KANSAS CITY, KANSAS.

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LINDH ADVISED SUSPECT STOUT MUCH HEAVIER THAN APPEARS  
IN ABOVE PHOTO.

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Special Agent in Charge

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8:25 PM URGENT 5/3/68 KCK

TO DIRECTOR (44-38861), BOSTON, CHICAGO (44-1114),  
MEMPHIS (44-1987), AND SAN DIEGO (44-387)  
FROM SAN FRANCISCO (173-65)

MURKIN.

RE: DONALD LAWRENCE STOUT.

RE SAN DIEGO TELS TO BUREAU, APRIL THIRTY,  
LAST, AND MAY ONE LAST; SAN FRANCISCO TEL TO BUREAU, MAY ONE, LAST.

AD PAGES OF THE "SAN FRANCISCO CHRONICLE" AND THE "SAN  
FRANCISCO EXAMINER" WHICH ARE IDENTICAL FOR DATES OF SEPTEMBER  
ONE THROUGH FOUR, ONE NINE SIX SIX, WERE REVIEWED. THEY CONTAIN  
NO AD BEARING THE NAME DONALD STOUT. TWO ADS APPEARING IN THE PAPER READ  
"RIDERS WANTED TO NEW YORK. LATE CAR. LEAVE SEPTEMBER FOUR. SIX TWO SIX  
DASH NINE NINE FIVE ONE." AND "RIDER TO NYC. SHARE GAS. LEAVE  
SEPTEMBER SIX. THREE EIGHT SEVEN DASH FOUR ONE TWO FIVE." BOTH NUMBERS  
ARE IN SAN FRANCISCO, NOT OAKLAND EXCHANGES.

AS INDICATED IN RE SAN FRANCISCO TEL, NO BILLING TO  
STOUT FOR SUCH AN AD WAS FOUND IN "SAN FRANCISCO CHRONICLE"  
RECORDS FOR PERIOD FROM SEPTEMBER NINE THROUGH NOVEMBER TWO,  
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SAN FRANCISCO WILL ESTABLISH THE IDENTITY OF THE  
SUBSCRIBERS TO THE TELEPHONE NUMBERS LISTED ABOVE. WILL  
DETERMINE IF THESE SUBSCRIBERS COULD BE STOUT.

SUBJECT A&D.

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AIRMAIL

TO: Director, FBI (44-38861)  
FROM: SAC, Sacramento (100-427) (P)  
SUBJECT: MURKIN  
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(OO: MEMPHIS)

Re Atlanta airtel to Bureau and All Continental  
Offices, 4/23/68.

RE: CARS STOLEN FROM GEORGIA  
SUBSEQUENT TO 3/23/68

On April 30, 1968, MARGARETTA HUFF, Communications  
and Auto Theft Section, California Highway Patrol, Sacramento,  
California, furnished a complete list of cars stolen from  
Georgia which were recovered in the State of California  
subsequent to March 23, 1968. No cars were recovered in  
the territories covered by the Sacramento or San Diego  
Divisions.

Los Angeles, San Diego, and San Francisco were  
advised telephonically of the results of above check.

3-Bureau  
2-Atlanta (44-2386)  
1-Los Angeles (44-1574)  
2-Memphis (44-1987)  
2-San Diego  
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The following investigation was conducted by  
IC WILLIAM C. MC DONALD at Jefferson City, Missouri:

On May 1, 1968, Missouri State Penitentiary (MSP) records were checked for RAY EUGENE WARREN. The following information was obtained:

RAY EUGENE WARREN was received at the MSP on June 9, 1955, to serve a 10 year sentence on charge of robbery first degree by means of a dangerous and deadly weapon under court case #1941-C. He completed this sentence and began an additional 20 year sentence on July 11, 1961, on charge of robbery first degree by means of a dangerous and deadly weapon, court case number 1945-C. He was assigned MSP number 69963. WARREN was discharged by commutation of sentence from April 13, 1968. Relatives listed on WARREN's correspondence and visiting list are wife DORIS WARREN, 3330 Sims, St. Anne, Missouri; brother-in-law BILL SCOTT, same address; sister, BETTY WARREN, Route 2, Box 187, Robertson, Missouri. Records reflect that WARREN was visited by his mother and brother, PAUL WARREN, Robertson, Missouri, and brother, SCOTT WARREN, Pomona, California. While WARREN was in the MSP, he was in the following cells:

From November 6, 1959, until January 4, 1960, G70;

From January 4, 1960, until July 1, 1960, G89;

From July 1, 1960, until August 31, 1960, C20;

From August 31, 1960, until October 31, 1960, E80;

October 31, 1960, until January 6, 1961, E33;

January 6, 1961, until March 17, 1961, F96.

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Warden HAROLD SWENSON advised confidentially that WARREN had assisted his department in an investigation which had been conducted and that from November, 1965, until after JAMES EARL RAY escaped from the MSP, that WARREN was in solitary confinement being given maximum security for fear of his life. Warden SWENSON continued that if at all possible, WARREN should not be contacted as he is extremely nervous and fearful for his life. However, Warden SWENSON advised that WARREN is to be living with his brother, SCOTT L. WARREN at 17902 Edmond Place, Covina, California.

SINCE WARREN WAS SENTENCED TO THE MSP FOR A TOTAL PERIOD OF 30 YEARS ON CHARGE OF ROBBERY WITH A DANGEROUS AND DEADLY WEAPON AND IS EXTREMELY NERVOUS, HE SHOULD BE APPROACHED WITH CAUTION AND POSSIBLY CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

5/2/68

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AIRMAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)  
FROM: SAC, KANSAS CITY (44-760) P  
MURKIN

Re San Diego teletype to Bureau, 4/29/68.

Enclosed for Bureau and receiving offices is one copy of investigative insert regarding RAY EUGENE WARREN.

Inasmuch as he was in solitary confinement from November, 1965, until his release on April 13, 1968, he would not have had any contact with subject during that period. Thus, the warden's request that he not be contacted should be respected at this time, and if it becomes necessary he be contacted in the future, advise Kansas City Office in advance so this can be made known to Warden SWENSON, Missouri State Penitentiary, who has been extremely cooperative in this matter.

For benefit of the Los Angeles Office, referenced communication reveals A. E. "KIT" BROWN, General Delivery, Hamshire, Texas, advised ex-wife's name is DORIS DEAN JONES, nee SCHULTZ, aka Doris Dean Brown, presently residing 10707 Jamaica, Spring Valley, California. BROWN advised basis for divorce from wife in 1960, was finding letter in wife's purse from EARL RAY, or RAY EARL, or WARREN RAY, or RAY WARREN, who at that time was in the State Prison, at Jefferson City.

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DORIS DEAN JONES was interviewed at San Diego, and advised she formerly knew a RAY EUGENE WARREN, who would now be 38 years of age, white male, 5' 8", 150 lbs., dark brown wavy hair, blue eyes; numerous tattoos - rose on back of one hand, RAY on one hand, LOVE on fingers of one hand, and a "Pachuco" type cross on one hand.

Mrs. JONES advised RAY EUGENE WARREN, during 1955, was incarcerated at St. Louis City Jail for period of one year prior to being sentenced to 30 years at the State Prison, Jefferson City, Missouri. Mrs. JONES advised it is her opinion that RAY EUGENE WARREN is not identical with JAMES EARL RAY, as none of the photographs of RAY displayed to her appeared to be identical with RAY EUGENE WARREN.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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Date: 5/3/68

Transmit the following in \_\_\_\_\_  
(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTEL \_\_\_\_\_ AIR MAIL  
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)  
 FROM: SAC, HOUSTON (44-1509)  
 SUBJECT: MURKIN  
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ReButel 4/25/68 to El Paso, Houston, San Antonio, advising that each office should determine from telephone company long distance calls placed at each public telephone on Interstate 10 over which subject and CHARLES STEIN allegedly traveled 12/15-17/67.

Set forth by field division are telephone calls made from the Houston Division, 12/15-17/67. Recipient offices will determine from the subscriber, or person receiving call, the identity of caller. If caller was JAMES EARL RAY, aka, obtain all available information.

- 3 - Bureau
- 2 - Memphis (44-1987)
- 2 - Indianapolis
- 2 - Kansas City
- 2 - Little Rock
- 2 - Los Angeles
- 2 - Mobile
- 2 - Oklahoma City
- 2 - San Francisco
- 2 - San Diego
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 Special Agent in Charge

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<u>DATE</u>	<u>CALLING NUMBER</u>	<u>CALLED NUMBER</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
<u>INDIANAPOLIS:</u>			
12/16/67	835-9040 (Beaumont, Texas)	317-872-4551	Mexico, Indiana
<u>KANSAS CITY:</u>			
12/17/67	835-9443 (Beaumont, Texas)	913-989-4468	Wathena, Kansas
<u>LITTLE ROCK:</u>			
12/17/67	673-9950 (Houston, Texas)	501-753-7404	Little Rock
12/16/67	468-9864 (Houston, Texas)	501-247-4890	Pine Bluff, Ark.
12/15/67	468-9818 (Houston, Texas)	501-623-2692	Hot Springs, Ark.
12/15/67	682-9114 (Houston, Texas)	501-535-1373	Pine Bluff, Ark.
12/15/67	682-9333 (Houston, Texas)	501-729-3283	Judsonia, Ark.
<u>LOS ANGELES:</u>			
12/16/67	892-9993 (Beaumont, Texas)	213-399-9676	Santa Monica, Calif.
12/17/67	452-9133 (Houston, Texas)	213-830-0453	San Pedro, Calif.
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12/17/67	452-9133 (Houston, Texas) (Three calls same date)	213-320-9921	Torrance, Calif.

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12/17/68	452-9133 (Houston, Texas)	213-320-9921	Torrance, Calif.
12/17/67	452-9133 (Houston, Texas)	213-328-2380	Torrance, Calif.
12/17/67	673-9974 (Houston, Texas)	213-927-3989	Downey, Calif.
12/16/67	673-9395 (Houston, Texas)	213-927-3989	Downey, Calif.
12/16/67	468-9725 (Houston, Texas)	213-435-3662	Long Beach, Calif.
12/15/67	468-9725 (Houston, Texas)	213-421-4002	Long Beach, Calif.
12/17/67	468-9063 (Houston, Texas)	213-843-3747	Burbank, Calif.
12/16/67	468-9725 (Houston, Texas)	213-876-7897	Los Angeles
12/16/67	886-9976 (Orange, Texas)	805-256-2296	Rosamond, Calif.
12/16/67	682-9120 (Houston, Texas)	805-323-2660	Bakersfield, Calif.
12/16/67	682-9248 (Houston, Texas)	415-841-0501	Berkeley, Calif.
<u>MOBILE:</u>			
12/15/67	453-9577 (Houston, Texas)	205-479-7378	Mobile, Ala.
12/16/67	452-9133 (Houston, Texas)	205-479-8740	Mobile, Ala.



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12/15/67	886-9976 (Orange, Texas)	205-459-2461	Butler, Ala.
12/17/67	682-9322 (Houston, Texas)	205-342-1435	Mobile, Ala.

OKLAHOMA CITY:

12/15/67	453-9646 (Houston, Texas)	918-446-6041	Tulsa, Okla.
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12/16/67	452-9247 (Houston, Texas)	405-946-2137	Oklahoma City
12/17/67	452-9260 (Houston, Texas)	918-936-3644	Tulsa, Okla.
12/17/67	468-9150 (Houston, Texas)	405-842-5325	Britton, Okla.
12/17/68	673-9118 (Houston, Texas)	918-846-2996	Wynono, Okla.
12/17/67	673-9996 (Houston, Texas)	405-424-4153	Oklahoma City
12/17/67	673-9395 (Houston, Texas)	405-668-2423	Wilson, Okla.
12/17/67	468-9887 (Houston, Texas)	918-446-5042	Tulsa, Okla.

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12/16/67	835-9439 (Beaumont, Texas)	415-538-1726	Hayward, Calif.
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12/15/67	835-9324 (Beaumont, Texas)	415-345-1539	San Mateo, Calif.
12/16/67	673-9501 (Houston, Texas)	408-372-9730	Monterey, Calif.
<u>SAN DEIGO:</u>			
12/17/67	468-9844 (Houston, Texas)	714-469-6604	La Mesa, Calif.
12/17/67	468-9887 (Houston, Texas)	714-745-1548	Escondido, Calif.
12/17/67	769-9115 (Vidor, Texas)	714-279-1714	San Diego, Calif.
12/17/67	769-9104 (Vidor, Texas)	714-279-1714	San Diego, Calif.