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SEATTLE (44-371) ROUTINE

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MURKIN.

REBUTAL TO SEATTLE, JUNE 3, 1977.

ON JUNE 3, 1977, ELTH ERNST LANDWICK LOCATED PALM BEACH HAWAIIA MOTEL, PALM BEACH, FLORIDA, AND AT THIS TIME MADE AWARE OF SPECIFIC PROVISIONS OF DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE REGULATIONS CONCERNING WITNESS PROTECTION. THIS INFO INCLUDED WHEN HE SHOULD CONTACT IF AND WHEN DESIRABLE OR IS ELIGIBLE FOR PROTECTION AND THE TRAVEL CONDITIONS NECESSARY

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TO QUALIFY.

LAMONICA ADVISED THAT WHILE HE HAS SOME CONCERN FOR PROTECTION, HIS MAIN INTEREST IS TO DETERMINE IF RAFAEL MARTINEZ, AN ALLEGED "MIT MAN" IN NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA, DOES ACTUALLY POSSESS A THREAT TO HIM. LAMONICA WAS ADVISED THAT NO SUCH DETERMINATION COULD BE MADE AND HE STATED HE IS PROBABLY GOING TO NEW ORLEANS IN THE NEXT SEVERAL DAYS AND WILL PURSUE THIS LOCALLY; HOWEVER, CLAIMED HE WOULD PROBABLY CONTACT FBI AT NEW ORLEANS WHILE THERE. LAMONICA CONTENDED HIS INVESTIGATION INTO CAPTIONED MATTER HAS PRODUCED NEWSWORTHY INFORMATION AND THAT HE INTENDS TO PURSUE HIS INVESTIGATION INTO THE ASSASSINATION.

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FM SEATTLE (44-371)

TO DIRECTOR (44-38861) ROUTINE

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MIAMI ROUTINE

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REBUTEL JUNE 3, 1977.

RE TEL RECEIVED AFTER KEITH ERNEST LAMONICA TELEPHONICALLY CONTACTED SAC SEATTLE EVENING OF JUNE 2, 1977, FROM CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, WHERE HE WAS BETWEEN PLANES EN ROUTE TO FLORIDA. LAMONICA WILL BE STAYING AT PALM BEACH HAWAII HOTEL, PALM BEACH, FLORIDA, FOR NEXT SEVERAL DAYS OR CAN BE REACHED THROUGH NATIONAL ENQUIRER AT LANTANA, FLORIDA, TELEPHONE 305-586-1111.

ALL BACKGROUND INFORMATION BEING FURNISHED TO MIAMI BY FACSIMILE WITH REQUEST FOR MIAMI TO CONTACT LAMONICA FRIDAY, JUNE 3, 1977, ACCORDING TO BUREAU INSTRUCTIONS.

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RESETEL JUNE 8, 1977.

SEATTLE INSURE THAT KEITH LORVEST LAYOMICA IS COGNIZANT OF THE SPECIFIC PROVISIONS OF DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE ORDER ORD 2110.2 REGARDING WITNESS PROTECTION. THIS ORDER STATES UNDER "CONDITIONS FOR PROTECTION" THAT THE PROTECTION OF A WITNESS AND MEMBERS OF A WITNESS FAMILY IN A FEDERAL ORIGINAL PROCEEDING IS A LOCAL OR STATE POLICE MATTER TO BE HANDLED BY THOSE AUTHORITIES. EXCEPTIONS TO THIS POLICY WILL BE ALLOWED ONLY UPON THE FINDING OF THE ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL OF THE CONCERNED DIVISION THAT THE

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PROPOSED WITNESS MEETS ALL OF THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS:

(1) THE PERSON IS A QUALIFYING WITNESS IN A SPECIFIC CASE IN PROCESS OR DURING OR AFTER A GRAND JURY PROCEEDING;
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THIS LAMONICA ALLEGATION. SINCE THIS MATTER HAS BEEN
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MURKIN. OO: MEMPHIS.

RE SEATTLE TEL CALL TO BUREAU, JUNE 1, 1977.

AT APPROXIMATELY 6:45 P.M., PDST, JUNE 1, 1977, SAC SEATTLE RECEIVED CALL FROM INDIVIDUAL IDENTIFYING HIMSELF AS (X) KEITH ERNEST LAMONICA (X). LAMONICA ADVISED HE IS NEWS DIRECTOR WITH KYYX RADIO, 1305 - 3RD AVENUE, SEATTLE, WASHINGTON, TEL. 682-2822. (LAMONICA IDENTICAL WITH BUFILE 46-53387, CAPTIONED KEITH ERNEST LAMONICA; DALE CURTIS TORMO, FAG, OO: SEATTLE.) LAMONICA DESCRIBED PREVIOUS ASSOCIATION WITH BUREAU PERSONNEL

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WHILE ASSIGNED AS INVESTIGATIVE REPORTED WITH WMPS RADIO, MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE, AND ALSO WHILE WORKING ON THE YABLONSKI MURDER CASES IN KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE. LAMONICA PRESENTLY RESIDES 31022 - 48TH AVENUE SW, FEDERAL WAY, WASHINGTON.

LAMONICA INDICATED HE HAS BEEN WORKING ON CAPTIONED CASE AND ALTHOUGH HE DID NOT PREVIOUS BELIEVE OF THE EXISTENCE OF "RAOUL" THEORY AS POSED BY JAMES EARL RAY, HE NOW HAS DEVELOPED INFORMATION INDICATING THAT "RAOUL" IS ACTUALLY (X) RAOUL SANTIAGO ESTEJO MARTINEZ (X), AND THAT WITH THE COOPERATION OF RAY'S ATTORNEY, JACK KERSHAW, HE, LAMONICA, IS TO MEET WITH MARTINEZ THROUGH AN INTERMEDIARY (X) CLIFF ANDREWS (X), WHO SUPPOSEDLY SERVED PRISON TIME WITH RAY.

LAMONICA FURTHER INDICATED THAT WHEN THIS INFORMATION BREAKS IT WILL CAUSE CONSIDERABLE PUBLICITY AND HE HAS ALREADY BEEN CONTACTED BY THREE MAJOR NETWORKS AND LEAVES THURSDAY MORNING TO BE INTERVIEWED BY THE NATIONAL ENQUIRER AT LANTANA, FLORIDA, FROM WHERE HE WILL RETURN TO SEATTLE POSSIBLY ON FRIDAY. HE SAID APPROXIMATELY TWO WEEKENDS AGO HE WAS INTERVIEWED BY TWO INVESTIGATORS NAMES MORIARTY (PH), AND GILBERT FROM THE HOUSE SELECT

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COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS WHO INDICATED THEY WOULD BE SUBPOENAIING LAMONICA IN THE NEAR FUTURE. AT THE TIME OF THIS INTERVIEW LAMONICA DID NOT HAVE THE AFOREMENTIONED INFORMATION ON RAUL MARTINEZ. MARTINEZ REPORTEDLY INDICATED HE WILL TESTIFY ABOUT CAPTIONED CASE IF HE CAN BE GRANTED IMMUNITY FROM PROSECUTION.

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LAMONICA ADVISED BY SAC OF THE WITNESS PROTECTION PROGRAM AND THAT HE SHOULD PROBABLY NOTIFY INVESTIGATORS FOR SELECT COMMITTEE OF HIS FEARS BUT TO CHECK WITH THIS OFFICE UPON HIS RETURN THIS COMING FRIDAY.

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ABOVE FURNISHED FOR INFORMATION OF BUREAU FOR REFERRAL
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Transmit attached by Facsimile - CLEAR

To: SAC, MIAMI

From: SAC, SEATTLE (44-371)

Subject: MURKIN

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☐ Artists Conception

Special handling instructions:

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Date: 6/2/77

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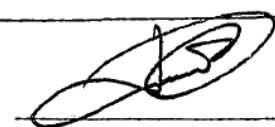
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Via AIRTEL _____

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM : SAC, SEATTLE (44-371) (RUC)

SUBJECT: MURKIN
OO: MEMPHIS

Re Bureau airtel to Seattle, dated April 22, 1977.

Enclosed for the Bureau are six (6) and for Memphis one (1), copies of a Letterhead Memorandum reflecting interview of RUFUS J. HAYSON, Spokane, Washington, May 25, 1977.

Repeated efforts to contact HAYSON culminated in his interview on May 25, 1977.

The indices of the Seattle Office contain no references to RUFUS J. HAYSON.

2 - Bureau (44-38861) (Encl 6)
2 - Memphis (44-1987) (Encl 1)
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Seattle, Washington

May 26, 1977

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

RE: MURKIN

On May 25, 1977, Rufus J. Hayson, West 1419 Water Avenue, Spokane, Washington, 99201, advised that he subscribes to Post Office Box 1721 at the Riverside Station, Spokane, Washington, 99210. He resides at West 1419 Water Avenue in Spokane, and has no telephone and is not employed. He recalls that in about April, 1977, he did write a letter to the Police Department at Memphis, Tennessee, propounding his views of the killing of Martin Luther King. His views are derived entirely from newspaper accounts and he has no acquaintanceship with James Earl Ray, Martin Luther King or anyone who knows either of these people personally. He has never been in Memphis, Tennessee.

His views of the murder of Martin Luther King are that James Earl Ray did not kill Martin Luther King, but rather that some unknown person or persons killed Martin Luther King and thereafter, lured James Earl Ray to a bathroom, from which the shot which killed King was allegedly fired, and thereafter, made their escape while Ray remained and was captured. He has no basis for his theory other than newspaper accounts, but felt that he should communicate with the Memphis Police Department and advise them of his considered views.

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DATE: 4/22/77

To: SAC, Seattle

From: Director, FBI (44-38861)

MURKIN

Re Memphis letter dated 4/11/77 enclosing a copy of a letter from Rufus J. Harpom, Spokane, Washington, copies of which are enclosed for Seattle.

Bufiles contain no information identifiable with Harpom. Seattle, unless some information contained in your files exists to the contrary, promptly interview Harpom for full details concerning any information he desires to furnish re captioned matter. Submit LHM results incorporating a copy of his enclosed letter as well as summarizing results of any prior information in your files.

Enclosures (2) *pub*

1 - Memphis (44-1987) (For information)

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DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

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SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987) (P)

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Enclosed for the Bureau is one copy of a letter to the Memphis Police Department, Memphis, Tennessee, from RUFUS J. HARPOM, Spokane, Washington.

For the information of the Bureau, the original of this letter was provided the Memphis Division of the FBI by a representative of the Homicide Bureau, Memphis, Tennessee, Police Department.

UACB, no action is contemplated by the Memphis Division regarding enclosed letter.

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Heckman *LB*

my friends I am writing to tell you
that Earl Ray didn't kill Lee Harvey
the one that looking is one that shot
from bath room the told Ray go
down there he wouldn't have do that
the take of him when we go in to
bath room the one that shot
looking is one seen in bath room
so Earl Ray should be free and you
never look in bath room for him
because Earl Ray was not in bath room
the one that looking was in bath room
so you work on that of bath room

I hope you have one that shot
from bath room

I am as ever your friend

Mr. Robert J. Hayworth

Box 1721. 99210

Spokane Wash

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ATTN: Budget & Accounting Section

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SAC, SEATTLE (44-371)

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
DEPARTMENTAL REVIEW
COST DATA

Seattle Division expended no Agent or Clerical
time in connection with captioned case during the months
of November and December, 1976.

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AIRMAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
ATTN: BUDGET & ACCOUNTING SECTION

FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (44-371)

SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
DEPARTMENTAL REVIEW
COST DATA

Re Bureau nitel to all SACs, 8/6/76.

Seattle review of instant matter performed by SA T. A. STEPHEN-HASSARD, Grade 13, Step 2, who spent six regular hours and three overtime hours on this review. The paper work for transmittal was handled by Secretary KIMIKO W. NAKAMURA, Grade 5, Step 6, who worked two regular hours.

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6:31PM NITEL 88-26-76 SPS

TO ALL SACS

FROM DIRECTOR

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.; DEPARTMENTAL REVIEW; COST DATA

REBUTEL JULY 29, 1976. IN ORDER THAT COSTS INCURRED IN CONNECTION WITH THIS MATTER MAY BE COMPILED, YOU ARE REQUESTED TO FURNISH THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

1. MANPOWER: THE NAME, GRADE AND SALARY STEP, AND HOURS SPENT, BOTH REGULAR AND OVERTIME, BY EACH EMPLOYEE WHO WORKED ON THIS MATTER.

2. UNUSUAL COSTS: ANY UNUSUAL OR OUT-OF-THE-ORDINARY COSTS. THESE COSTS SHOULD BE ITEMIZED AND THE COST OF EACH ITEM SHOWN SEPARATELY.

ALL REPORTS MUST BE SUBMITTED TO THE BUREAU, ATTENTION BUDGET AND ACCOUNTING SECTION, FINANCE AND PERSONNEL DIVISION. THE FIRST REPORT FOR THE PERIOD THROUGH AUGUST 31, 1976, AND FOR EACH MONTH THEREAFTER SHOULD REACH THE BUREAU BY THE FIFTH WORKDAY OF EACH MONTH.

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AIRMAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-106670)
FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (44-371)
SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.;
BUDED 8/9/76

RE Bureau nitel to all offices, 7/30/76.

Enclosed for the Bureau under separate cover is one Xerox copy each of three volumes of Seattle files pertaining to referenced matter.

The exhibit section of this file contains the following items, not included with the above, but described below:

1. Photos of T-shirt & shorts bearing laundry marks (see serial 86);
2. Photos of artist's conception of UNSUB, described by witnesses in Memphis & Birmingham;
3. 12 photos of composit photos of UNSUB, received from Bureau, 4/17/68;
4. Letter from E. J. FOY, 3916 Terrace Drive, Yakima, Wash., dated 4/15/68, with attached newspaper clipping and copy of original press photo;
5. 1960 photo of JAMES EARL RAY, received from Bureau, 4/20/68;

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6. Photo of JAMES EARL RAY & WALTER TERRY RIFE, standup of RAY & RIFE from Kansas City, 4/21/68;
7. Photo of JAMES EARL RAY, taken in 1966, received 4/26/68 (see serial 87);
8. Photo of subj taken in fall of 1967 in Mexico (see serial 200);
9. 3 blown-up photos of subject (same as 8 above);
10. List of persons with driver's licenses who were born
11. Photos of JAMES EARL RAY taken in late January or early February of 1968 in California;
12. Photos of RAY showing 3 views received from Bureau 5/9/68 (see serial 274);
13. Colored photos taken of laundry marks on shirt & bed linen, received from Bureau, 5/14/68;
14. Photo of JACQUELINE KLINE, received from Kansas City, 6/8/68 (see serial 365).

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11:59PM NITEL 7-30-76 CMB

TO ALL SACS

FROM DIRECTOR (100-106670)

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.; BUDED AUGUST 9, 1976.

REBUTEL TO ALL SACS JULY 28, 1976.

FURTHER DISCUSSIONS WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE TASK FORCE HAS RESULTED IN THE FOLLOWING CHANGE REGARDING REPRODUCTION OF FIELD OFFICE SERIALS IN THE MURKIN INVESTIGATION, AS OUTLINED IN REFERENCED TELETYPE.

IT WILL BE NECESSARY ONLY TO XEROX THE FIRST PAGE OF ANY DOCUMENT IN YOUR MURKIN FILE IF A COPY OF THAT DOCUMENT HAS BEEN SUBMITTED TO FBIHQ. THIS WILL INCLUDE BOTH DOCUMENTS ORIGINATING IN YOUR OFFICE AND THOSE RECEIVED FROM OTHER FIELD DIVISIONS. ANY DOCUMENTS IN YOUR MURKIN FILE, COPIES OF WHICH HAVE NOT BEEN SUBMITTED TO FBIHQ MUST BE REPRODUCED IN THEIR ENTIRETY AND FORWARDED TO FBIHQ.

IT IS NOTED THAT THIS FIRST PAGE SHOULD CONTAIN THE FIELD OFFICE SERIAL NUMBER IN ORDER THAT THE DEPARTMENT CAN MAKE A COMPLETE CHRONOLOGICAL ACCOUNTING OF EACH FIELD OFFICE SERIAL.

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TO ALL SACS

FROM DIRECTOR (100-106670)

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. BUDED AUGUST 9, 1976

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100-25352-8

FOR INFORMATION OF RECIPIENTS THE ATTORNEY GENERAL (AG) HAS ORDERED A REVIEW OF THE FBI'S INVESTIGATION OF MARTIN LUTHER KING. ASSIGNED TO CONDUCT THIS REVIEW IS A TASK FORCE WORKING UNDER DIRECTION OF THE OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY (OPR) OF THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. THE ATTORNEY GENERAL HAS INDICATED THE REVIEW IS TO RESOLVE THE FOLLOWING FOUR QUESTIONS: (1) WAS THE FBI INVESTIGATION OF KING'S ASSASSINATION THOROUGH AND HONEST? (2) IS THERE ANY EVIDENCE THE FBI WAS INVOLVED IN THE ASSASSINATION? (3) IS THERE ANY NEW EVIDENCE WHICH HAS COME TO THE ATTENTION OF THE DEPARTMENT CONCERNING THE ASSASSINATION? (4) DOES THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE BUREAU AND KING CALL FOR CRIMINAL PROSECUTIONS, DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS OR OTHER APPROPRIATE ACTION?

THIS REVIEW IS A CONTINUATION OF A "PARTIAL REVIEW" RECENTLY

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CONDUCTED BY THE CIVIL RIGHTS DIVISION OF THE DEPARTMENT UNDER DIRECTION OF ASSISTANT AG J. STANLEY POTTINGER. ALL PERSONNEL ON THE TASK FORCE ARE AUTHORIZED TOTAL ACCESS TO OUR FILES PERTAINING TO KING'S ASSASSINATION, OUR INTELLIGENCE INVESTIGATION OF KING AND ANY FILES RELATING TO BASIS FOR THESE INVESTIGATIONS. THIS WILL INCLUDE COVER PAGES OF COMMUNICATIONS CONTAINING IDENTITIES OF SOME FBI SOURCES AND INFORMANTS WHO WERE NOT AFFORDED SYMBOL NUMBERS AT THAT TIME AND INDIVIDUALS WHO EXPRESSED OR IMPLIED CONFIDENTIALITY.

TO DATE THE TASK FORCE HAS REVIEWED FBIHQ AND WFO FILES CONCERNING THE ASSASSINATION OF KING CAPTIONED "MURKIN, BUREAU FILE 44-33861. TASK FORCE MEMBERS HAVE TRAVELED TO MEMPHIS, MILWAUKEE, KANSAS CITY, OMAHA, SAN FRANCISCO AND LOS ANGELES AND REVIEWED MURKIN AND INTELLIGENCE INVESTIGATION FILES OF THOSE OFFICES. FUTURE TRAVEL BY THE TASK FORCE IS PLANNED FOR ATLANTA, BIRMINGHAM, CHARLOTTE, CHICAGO, NEW ORLEANS, NEW YORK, SPRINGFIELD AND ST. LOUIS.

AFTER ABOVE TRAVEL IS COMPLETED AND KING RELATED SECURITY FILES AT FBIHQ ARE REVIEWED, THE TASK FORCE WILL HAVE SEEN THE MAJORITY OF SERIALS IN OUR FILES RELATING TO THE KING INVESTIGATIONS. HOWEVER, SINCE IT IS THE GOAL OF THE TASK FORCE TO REVIEW KING RELATED FILES IN EVERY FIELD OFFICE, IT WILL BE

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NECESSARY TO FORWARD XEROX COPIES OF FILES FROM THE REMAINING OFFICES TO FBIHQ FOR REVIEW.

THEREFORE, ALL RECIPIENTS WITH EXCEPTION OF THOSE OFFICES NAMED ABOVE, FURNISH FBIHQ ONE XEROX COPY OF EACH SERIAL CONTAINED IN YOUR KING ASSASSINATION FILE CAPTIONED "MURKIN." IT IS REQUESTED THIS MATERIAL BE PROCESSED AND MAILED TO REACH FBIHQ PRIOR TO AUGUST 9, 1976. THIS MATERIAL SHOULD BE SENT BY REGISTERED MAIL, ATTENTION DEPUTY ASSISTANT DIRECTOR INGRAM, INTELLIGENCE DIVISION. ||

IF MURKIN FILES CONTAIN ANY PHOTOGRAPHS, EXHIBITS OR OTHER ITEMS WHICH CANNOT BE XEROXED A BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF EACH ITEM AND ITS LOCATION SHOULD BE SET FORTH IN YOUR COMMUNICATIONS TRANSMITTING THE DOCUMENTS TO FBIHQ.

SUBSEQUENT INSTRUCTIONS WILL BE ISSUED CONCERNING SUBMISSION OF COPIES OF OUR INTELLIGENCE INVESTIGATION OF KING AND RELATED SECURITY FILES. OFFICES TO BE VISITED IN THE FUTURE BY TASK

FORCE PERSONNEL WILL ALSO BE FURNISHED APPROPRIATE INSTRUCTIONS BY SEPARATE COMMUNICATION.

END

BJM FBI SE CLR FOR ONE TKS

February 5, 1975

Honorable Henry M. Jackson
United States Senate
Washington, D. C. 20510

Dear Senator Jackson:

I am in receipt of your communication of January 29th, with enclosures from Mr. Kenneth R. McBane of La Habra, California.

The FBI has had previous correspondence from Mr. McBane regarding the subject matter of his inquiry. He was interviewed by Special Agents of this Bureau in May, 1968, and was unable to provide positive information as to the identification of the individual he observed who may have resembled James Earl Ray. 44-371

As you have requested, your enclosures are returned herewith.

Sincerely yours,

Clarence M. Kelley
Clarence M. Kelley
Director

Enclosures (4)

- 1 - Los Angeles - Enclosures (5)
- ① - Seattle - Enclosures (5) *rec'd*

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United States Senate

COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

January 29, 1975

Congressional Liaison
Department of Justice
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Ninth and Pennsylvania
Washington, D.C. 20535

Dear Sir:

The enclosed is respectfully submitted to you
for every proper consideration. Please provide me
with a report in duplicate and return the enclosure
to me with your response.

Sincerely yours,



Henry M. Jackson, U. S. S.

HMJ: cb
Enclosure

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La Habra California
Jan. 21, 1975

Please return to
SENATOR HENRY M JACKSON
CB

Honorable Henry Jackson
Congressman from the Great
State of Washington

Scoop

Your Honor Mr. Jackson:

You will perhaps remember me as the X-Shell Oil Company employee (Retired) who sided so much with you in getting action on the Alaska Pipe Line. Well you finally won that one. Now I have a problem maybe you could help me solve:

Here of late I have been reading so much about the F. B. I. and C. I. A on how they have been keeping track of all bad Guys almost from infancy, I have news for them-they also keep secret all about the Good Guys that are around, believe me we have much more of the good Guys and Gals around than the Bad-I believe to belong to the latter.

You remember the murder of Martin Luther King on April 4th, 1968 at 6.01 PM? of course you do well I was working for U. S. Post Office in La Habra at that time but now as I look at it seemed that I was destined to be the man who would put the finger on the Killer. I just got all the pictures and all I could dig up on James Earl Ray. So that if I did spot the man-That would be all she wrote for him. I have a Photographic mind, so that also helps me. Well on April 9th, 1968 I did spot the man right here in La Habra I told the Police Chief in town and was at a loss, to find he would not help me. He said in a few words the F. B. I. told him hands off-I then called F B I in L. A. they never moved-then I wrote J Edgar Hoover-he finally called L. A. and a couple of men came to my home-one of the mens name was O'Brien mind you this was a month after I spotted the man. well at least this is where the hunt finally got started. I heard there was supposed to have been a large reward-Dont know.

I am enclosing enclosures, I have an original of the letters from J Edgar Hoover and L. A. (You see how they shut a good guy up-just the same as the Bad.

You can give me a clear true answer to the above and I am also sure You will not beat it about the bush.

All the Luck in the World to You and Yours

Very Truly Yours

Kenneth R McBane 641 Galen Dr
La Habra Ca

Ps: If this is out of your jurisdiction, am sure that you will allocate it properly

I Thank You

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

11000 Wilshire Boulevard
Los Angeles, California 90024

July 31, 1970

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Mr. Kenneth Mc Bane
641 Galen Drive
La Habra, California 90631

Dear Mr. Mc Bane:

Thank you for your recent letter.

Please be advised that all information
in this matter has been furnished to the appropriate
local authorities.

Your interest in writing as you did is
appreciated.

Very truly yours,

Wesley G. Graff

WESLEY G. GRAFF
Special Agent in Charge

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

July 17, 1970

7/19/68

Mr. Kenneth McBane
641 Galen Drive
La Habra, California 90631

Dear Mr. McBane:

In response to your letter of July 9th, with enclosures, I am unable to furnish the specific data you requested as information in our files must be maintained as confidential in accordance with regulations of the Department of Justice.

James Earl Ray, who was sought by the FBI in connection with the slaying of Martin Luther King, was arrested on June 8, 1968, in London, England. He pleaded guilty on a murder charge and is now serving a 99-year sentence in the State of Tennessee. I regret I am unable to be of further assistance to you in this instance.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

Enclosure

TO: Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Director, FBI
FROM: Mr. [illegible]
SUBJECT: [illegible]
RE: [illegible]

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—United Press Telephoto

LATEST PHOTO SHOWS SUSPECT IN CALIFORNIA BUSINESS SUIT
Photo at right was taken of James Earl Ray in Mexico

FBI Releases Two New Pictures of Suspect Ray

WASHINGTON (UPI) —The FBI has distributed two more photographs of the accused killer of Dr. Martin Luther King—one of them “an extremely good likeness.”

Both were snapshots of James Earl Ray, alias Eric Starvo Galt, an escaped convict accused of shooting King to death in Memphis April 4.

The “extremely good likeness” is a candid photograph of Ray in a business suit and tie and shows almost his full face, taken in late January or early February somewhere in California.

The other, which the FBI said was taken last November somewhere in Mexico, shows him wearing sun glasses and what appears to be a white sports shirt. The FBI said Ray is known to wear sun glasses frequently.

The two new photographs—the FBI refused to say where or how they were obtained—will be displayed throughout the country along with three other pictures of Ray which now appear on FBI’s wanted posters.

Ray, who escaped from prison April 23, 1967, by hiding in a truck, is wanted by the FBI for

illegal flight to avoid prosecution in Tennessee for King’s murder.

The civil rights leader was shot to death on a motel balcony, apparently by a rifleman 200 feet away in a rooming house bathroom.

Thirteen days later the FBI announced it had issued a warrant for Galt, but after checking some 53,000 fingerprints, the FBI said two days afterwards that Galt and Ray were the same man.

Some Protests Over Selassie’s Indonesia Visit

JAKARTA (AP) — President Suharto welcomed Emperor Haile Selassie of Ethiopia to Indonesia for a six-day state visit protested by some Moslem organizations. Heavily armed guards stood watch.

The organizations charged that the 75-year-old emperor, a Christian of the Coptic denomination, persecuted Moslems in his African nation. Moslems form a great majority in Indonesia, a minority in Ethiopia.

5/9/68 10AM

Two men from F. B. I. Los Angeles
Came to visit with me today concerning
the Ray case—it seems late to me as it
was a month ago April 10th, I saw this
James Earl Ray. Both men had Grey hair
one man's name was O'Brien, the other I
don't recall—they seemed interested in
what I saw, and said they would contact
me latter. They say they are looking
for the car-Woh! after all this Time??
I told th em a month ago to do this---

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CONSOLIDATED *7/16/69* *Sec 1*

I'M CERTAINLY GLAD YOU ASKED THAT QUESTION...YES, J. EDGAR HOOVER
ENJOYS MY ABSOLUTE AND COMPLETE CONFIDENCE...



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

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Bellingham Herald

Bellingham, Wash.

Date: 6/24/69

Edition: Final

Author:

Editor: WILLARD K. FOWLER

Title:

MURKIN

Character: Civil Rights
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Classification: 44-371-415

Submitting Office: Seattle

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Via AIRTEL

(Priority or Method of Mailing)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
 FROM: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987) (P)
 SUBJECT: MURKIN

By airtel dated 4/7/69, the Bureau advised that in a third "Look" magazine article, WILLIAM BRADFORD HUIE stated that JAMES EARL RAY had spent the night of 4/2/68 in a motel near Corinth, Miss. The Bureau instructed Jackson to review motel records in and around Corinth to determine the identities of individuals registered there during the period 3/29/68 to 4/3/68. By airtel dated 4/18/69, the Jackson Office advised the Bureau that motel records at Corinth, Miss., had been reviewed under the subject's true name and aliases and had been reviewed for subject's Alabama license number. Nothing identifiable with the subject was located.

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By airtel dated 5/7/69, copies of which were not furnished the Bureau, the Jackson Office set out leads for those offices to whom copies of this communication are designated. These offices have been requested to interview several hundred persons who spent the night in motels at Corinth, Miss., on or about 4/2/68.

In view of the fact that more than a year has passed since these persons stayed over night at Corinth, and since similar investigation of this type in this case has previously been unproductive, and since HUIE has admitted that RAY frequently is untruthful in statements to him, and further since it is not believed that it is of any particular importance to establish whether or not JAMES EARL RAY stayed over night at Corinth on 4/2/68, all offices will disregard the leads set out in Jackson airtel dated 5/7/69 unless specifically advised by the Bureau to cover same.

SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)

5/16/69

SAC, SEATTLE (44-371) (RUC)

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MURKIN

Re Jackson airtel 5/7/69.

A review of the enclosure to reairtel, which consisted of a 302 containing the names of the people registering at the Holiday Inn Motel, Highway 72, West Corinth, Mississippi, reveals that there does not appear to be anyone from the State of Washington who registered at that motel.

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Date: 5/7/69

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Via AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

(Priority)

TO: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)

FROM: SAC, JACKSON (157-9586)

SUBJECT: MURKIN ✓

Re Bureau airtel, dated 4/7/69; Birmingham airtel to Bureau, dated 4/15/69, and Jackson airtel to Bureau, dated 4/18/69.

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JN 157-9586

Enclosed for each office, except for Memphis and Birmingham, is one copy of referenced Bureau airtel, dated 4/7/69.

As directed by Bureau, a review of all motel records for the period March 29, to April 3, 1968, of motels in Corinth, Miss., made and the names of those individuals registered at the motels during this period have been obtained, and their names are revealed on appropriate FD-302s. One copy each of the FD-302s, where appropriate, are being submitted to the appropriate offices, as set out below:

FD-302

Mrs. LOUISE BREWER, Mgr.
Round-Town Motel

Division

Birmingham
Chicago
Dallas
Detroit
Indianapolis
Jacksonville
Kansas City
Little Rock
Louisville
Memphis
Miami
Milwaukee
New York
Omaha
St. Louis
Springfield
Tampa

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FD-302

Mr. DON M. STRICKLAND, Mgr.,
Holiday Inn Motel

Division

Atlanta
Birmingham
Charlotte
Chicago
Cincinnati
Columbia
Dallas
Denver
Detroit
Houston
Indianapolis
Jacksonville
Kansas City
Knoxville
Little Rock
Louisville
Memphis

Miami
Minneapolis
Mobile
Newark
New Haven
New Orleans
New York
Oklahoma City
Omaha
Philadelphia
Richmond
Salt Lake City
Savannah
Seattle
Springfield
Tampa

WALTER COUTURE, Mgr.
Cannoneer Motel

Albany
Atlanta
Birmingham
Cincinnati
Denver
Detroit
Indianapolis
Kansas City
Knoxville
Memphis
Miami
Milwaukee

Minneapolis
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FD-302

BROOKS PHILLIPS, Owner,
Southern Motel

HOWARD STARNES, Mgr.,
Illinois Motel

WILLIAM PHILLIPS, Owner,
Phillips Motel

H. C. FREEMAN, Owner and
Operator, Carona Plaza Motel

Division

Atlanta
Birmingham
Charlotte
Chicago
Columbia
Dallas
Kansas City

Atlanta
Birmingham
Chicago
Cleveland
Dallas
Detroit
Indianapolis
Jacksonville
Kansas City

Atlanta
Birmingham
Cleveland
Columbia
Dallas
Detroit
Kansas City
Knoxville

Birmingham
Chicago
Cleveland
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Denver
Houston
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Louisville
Memphis

Little Rock
Louisville
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Mobile
New Orleans
St. Louis

Knoxville
Little Rock
Memphis
Milwaukee
Mobile
St. Louis
Savannah
Springfield
Tampa

Little Rock
Los Angeles
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San Diego

Miami
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Oklahoma City
Omaha
Salt Lake City
San Antonio
Savannah
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FD-302

Division

Mrs. FREDDIE GLOVER, Owner,
Merry Acres Motel

Birmingham
Little Rock
Memphis

Milwaukee
Minneapolis
Springfield

Mrs. BERRY (SHIRLEY) SMITH,
Owner and Manager,
El-Ray Motel

Birmingham
Chicago
Cleveland
Columbia
Dallas
Detroit

Indianapolis
Memphis
Miami
New Orleans
St. Louis
Springfield

Mr. PAUL HAYES, Mgr.,
Dixie Court

Memphis
Milwaukee

J. H. WICKER, Mgr.,
No-El Motel

Albuquerque
Atlanta
Birmingham
Buffalo
Detroit
Indianapolis
Knoxville

Little Rock
Memphis
New Orleans
Oklahoma City
Savannah
Springfield
Tampa

Mrs. G. N. PRUETTE, Owner,
Teetotum Motel

Memphis

Mrs. BERRY (SHIRLEY) SMITH,
Nite-Fall Motel

Atlanta
Indianapolis
Little Rock
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A Xerox copy of each motel registration has been made by the Jackson Division, and copies of these registrations are being maintained in the bulky exhibit file of Jackson File 157-9586.

It is noted on the registrations that there is registration from Saskatchewan, Canada, at the Round-Town Motel, and a registration from Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada, at the Holiday Inn, during the pertinent period. It is being left to the discretion of Memphis, the Office of Origin, as to whether appropriate LHM should be submitted to the Bureau to have these individuals identified in Canada.

The names of those individuals appearing on the motel registrations who reside within the Jackson Division are being identified through indices; check in the Jackson Office and appropriate credit and criminal being conducted within the cities in which they indicate they reside.

LEADS:

ALL RECEIVING OFFICES

All offices receiving copies of this communication will review the FD-302s which they have received for names of those individuals who reside within their respective divisions and will review the names through the appropriate office indices and will identify the individual through appropriate credit and criminal check, and if deemed advisable, will interview the individual if there is a possibility of any association with JAMES EARL RAY.

JN 157-9586

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RICHARD P. TERRY
Maple Drive
Starkville, Mississippi

ROBERT D. LEVY
5739 Sedgwick Drive
Jackson, Mississippi
Mississippi license HB 3899

R. T. KENNEDY
312 Oak Drive
Winona, Mississippi
Mississippi license 491803

JIMMY WALKER
1312 Buena Vista
Clarksdale, Mississippi
Tennessee license BV1621, Chevrolet

JIM E. SINGLETON
5042 Lurline Drive
Jackson, Mississippi
Mississippi license H31612, Chevrolet

L. E. CARRUTH
Box 994
Tupelo, Mississippi
Mississippi license M3317, Ford

EDWARD W. MANSOUR
1742 Marigold
Greenville, Mississippi
Mississippi license W-3130, Oldsmobile

JIM N. MAJURE
850 North Jefferson
Jackson, Mississippi
Mississippi license H-36249, Oldsmobile

WAYNE BLAKE
Tupelo, Mississippi
Mississippi license M-11529

ROBERT S. JONES
903 19th Avenue North
Columbus, Mississippi
Mississippi license PO 704, Mercury

L. E. MANNING
813 Spruce Street
Columbus, Mississippi

C. M. BOWMAN (Mr. and Mrs.)
515 Parsons Street
Greenwood, Mississippi
Mississippi license ND 3691, Oldsmobile

M. J. SHANNON
Tupelo, Mississippi

CHARLIE CALDWELL
Box 586
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