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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI AND SAC, MEMPHIS

FROM: SAC, SPRINGFIELD (44-561) (P 1)

MURKIN, CIVIL RIGHTS.

RE BUTEL TO ALL OFFICES, APRIL EIGHT, LAST AND BUREAU
TELEPHONE CALL TO SPRINGFIELD INSTANT.

PURSUANT TO RE PHONE CALL, DISCREET INVESTIGATION

CONDUCTED RE WILLIAM LOHMEYER, ROUTE ONE, STRAWN, ILLINOIS.
INFORMATION DEVELOPED LOHMEYER HAS BEEN IN THE STRAWN, ILLINOIS,
AREA, DURING PERTINENT PERIOD RE CAPTIONED MATTER. LOHMEYER
DESCRIBED AS WHITE MALE, AGE FORTYTHREE, HEIGHT FIVE FEET
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HAIR BROWN, IN A BURR CUT, MEDIUM TO STOCKY BUILD WITH ROUND
FACIAL FEATURES, OCCUPATION FARMER, WELL RESPECTED IN THE
COMMUNITY. SPRINGFIELD INDICES CONTAIN NO DEROGATORY INFO
CONCERNING LOHMEYER OR ANY OF HIS FAMILY. P.

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TO SPRINGFIELD MEMPHIS 44-1987

FROM DIRECTOR 1P

MURKIN; CIVIL RIGHTS.

RE SPRINGFIELD ROUTING SLIP, APRIL SEVEN.

LATENT FINGERPRINTS AND PALM PRINT THIS CASE
NOT IDENTICAL FINGERPRINTS AND PALM PRINTS BILLY RAY
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FROM MEMPHIS (44-1987)

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SUBJECT BELIEVED TO BE DRIVING A WHITE MUSTANG.

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ELIMINATE TRARES AS SUSPECT.

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RA 97411 - not an Illinois license.

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TO ALL CONTINENTAL OFFICES
FROM DIRECTOR 44-38861 1P

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RE: SUSPECT ERIC STARVO GALT

IMMEDIATELY CHECK YOUR INDICIES, ALL STATE SELECTIVE
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TO: DIRECTOR (MAIL) AND MEMPHIS

FROM: JACKSON (157-9586) "

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SPRINGFIELD TEL TO BUREAU, MEMPHIS, NEW ORLEANS AND JACKSON, APRIL SEVEN, LAST.

JERRY WILSON, OFFICE MANAGER, KGW TOWING COMPANY, GREENVILLE, MISS., ADVISED INSTANT DATE THAT BILLY RAY KING IS PRESENTLY EMPLOYED BY KGW AS A BOAT HAND. WILSON STATED THAT HE SAW KING AT FIVE P.M., APRIL FOUR, LAST, IN GREENVILLE, MISS., AT WHICH TIME HE ADVANCED KING MONEY ON HIS NEXT PAY CHECK. AT SEVEN FIFTYFIVE P.M. THAT DATE, HE PUT KING ON A GREYHOUND BUS AT GREENVILLE, MISS., EN ROUTE TO QUINCY, ILL. WILSON STATED THAT KING ARRIVED IN CLARKSDALE, MISS., AND WAS TOLD THAT THE BUS WOULD NOT BE ALLOWED TO CONTINUE TO MEMPHIS. KING OBTAINED A ROOM

- 1 - BUREAU (AM)
 - 1 - BIRMINGHAM (AM)
 - 1 - NEW ORLEANS (AM)
 - ① - SPRINGFIELD (AM)
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AT THE DOWNTOWNER MOTOR HOTEL IN CLARKSDALE. WILSON EXHIBITED A RECEIPT FROM THE DOWNTOWNER INDICATING THAT KING OBTAINED THE ROOM AT TEN TWELVE P.M., APRIL FOUR, LAST. WILSON STATED THAT KING TRAVELED TO LAKE PROVIDENCE, LA., APPARENTLY ON APRIL FIVE, LAST, AND RETURNED TO GREENVILLE, MISS., ON APRIL FIVE, LAST, AT WHICH TIME HE TOOK A SOUTHERN AIRLINES FLIGHT OUT OF GREENVILLE EN ROUTE TO MEMPHIS. IN MEMPHIS HE TOOK A BUS TO ROCK ISLAND, ILL. HE SIGNED ONTO THE GEORGE WEATHERS AS A DECKHAND AT THREE A.M., APRIL EIGHT, INSTANT, AT ROCK ISLAND, ILL.

BUREAU, BIRMINGHAM, NEW ORLEANS, SPRINGFIELD
ADVISED AIRMAIL.

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Special Agent in Charge

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TO : SAC, SPRINGFIELD (44-561)

DATE: 4/9/68

FROM : SA CHARLES E. SMITH

SUBJECT: MURKING

Re Springfield Telephone call this date.

The following investigation was conducted by

SA CHARLES E. SMITH:

AT PRINCETON (BUREAU COUNTY), ILLINOIS

Mr. TONY FENOGLIO, Bureau County Clerk, Bureau County Court House, Princeton, Illinois, advised on 4/9/68 that Bureau County Recorder Office records of Voter Registrants, both active and inactive, disclosed no record under the names HARVEY LOWMEYER or HARVEY LOWMYER.

The following individuals at the indicated agencies advised on 4/9/68 that the records of their respective agencies failed to disclose any record or information pertaining to HARVEY LOWMEYER or HARVEY LOWMYER:

CHARLES L. EUSTICE, Office Deputy, Bureau County Sheriff's Office, Princeton, Illinois.

Mrs. MARY POWERS, Clerk, Credit Bureau of Princeton, Princeton Illinois.

GEORGE EGGERS, Chief of Police, Princeton, Illinois Police Department.

The City Directory for Princeton, Illinois area disclosed no listing for HARVEY LOWMEYER or HARVEY LOWMYER.

AT TOULON (STARK COUNTY), ILLINOIS

Mr. JAMES T. JACKSON, County Clerk and Recorder, Stark County, Toulon, Illinois, advised on 4/9/68 that the Voter Registration Records for Stark County, Illinois contained no record for HARVEY LOWMEYER or HARVEY LOWMYER.

Sheriff ROBERT BRADLEY, Stark County Sheriff's Office, Toulon, Illinois advised on 4/9/68 that the records of his office

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contained no reference to HARVEY LOWMEYER or HARVEY LOWMYER.

Sheriff BRADLEY stated that Stark County, Illinois has no reporting Credit Bureau and further that the police department at Toulon, Illinois consisted of one constable who maintained no records.

The city directory for Toulon, Illinois area failed to disclose any listing for HARVEY LOWMEYER or HARVEY LOWMYER.

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FROM : SA CONNELLEY

SUBJECT: MURKIN
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re telephone call

The name HARVEY LOWMEYER or LOWMYER was checked at the following locations with negative results:

KEWANEE, ILL.

Kewanee P.D.

Kewanee Credit Bureau

CAMBRIDGE, ILL.

Records, Sheriff Office, Henry County

Voters Registration Records, Henry County

GALESBURG, ILL.

Records, Galesburg P.D.

Records, Sheriff Office, Knox County

Voters Registration Records, Knox County

City directories and telephone directories were also checked for the area.

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DATE: 4-9-68

FROM : SA ROBERT A. WICKWIRE

SUBJECT: HURKIN

RE TELEPHONE CALL TO RA.

ON THIS DATE--- BY Writer and SA DAUWALDER in Rock Island Co.

MRS. THEODORA EKONOMOS, Supervisor, Rock Island Co. Voter Registration office check active files of every eligible voter in Rock Island County, and she also checked her inactive voter registration list. NR of name HARVEY LOWMEYER or LOWMYER.

Following records were checked for name HARVEY LOWMEYER or LOWMYER and there was no record found.

ROCK ISLAND POLICE - Mary Kropp, clerk.

MOLINE POLICE DEPT. LT. RAY ZELNIO, Ident officer.

EAST MOLINE PD-- ASST. CHIEF OF POLICE HAROLD BLOOMQUIST.

SILVIS ILL. PD-- Chief LEO COOKSEY

MILAN ILL PD-- WES. GREENWOOD- Chief-

SA DAUWALDER at Rock Island PD check Rock Island-Moline area City Directories from years 1941 through 1967.

He also check the telephone directories form Rock Island -Moline and surrounding communities for years 1957 to date.

NR . of name HARVEY LOWMEYER or LOWMYER.

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FROM : SA JOE A. COPELAND

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On 4-9-68, the following individuals were contacted in attempt to determine if name HARVEY LOWMEYER or HARVEY LOWMYER could be located in files. These attempts met with negative results;

AT DANVILLE, ILLINOIS

Stanley Kentner, Lt., Danville PD
James Woodyard, Investigator, Vermilion Co. SO
Dorothy Freeman, Credit Bureau of Danville
Eula Froman, Chief Clerk, Voter Registration for Danville
Eldon Moreman, Dept. Clerk, County Voter Registration

In addition to above the current city and telephone directories for Danville were checked with negative results

AT PARIS, ILLINOIS

Larry Wilson, Dept. Sheriff, Edgar Co. SO
Stanley Sims, Chief of Police, Paris
Mildred Strick, Credit Bureau of Paris

In addition to the above the current city and telephone directories for Paris were checked with negative results. Also, Dept. Wilson of the SO checked the Edgar CO. voter registration list with negative results.

AT MARSHALL, ILLINOIS

Lester Litteral, Sheriff, Clark Co. SO
Joe Ryan, COP, Marshall

All credit records for Clark Co. are maintained in Paris, Illinois. The current telephone directory of Marshall was checked with negative results. Marshall does not have a city directory. Sheriff Litteral checked the Clark Co. Voter registration list with negative results.

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FROM : SA ROBERT A. WICKWIRE

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RE. SI Telephone call this date.

RE laundry marking from thermo-seal marking machine.

H. L. CHRISTINSON, owner of the Carlson Laundry 1136 4th Moline Ill. and MARTHA STOUT, of the Happy Day Laundry Rock Island Ill. advised writer that they use different markings. Only laundry in area to use this type of marking is crescent laundry of Davenport Iowa, with pick up stations in Moline.

SA LAWRENCE CONNELLEY telephonically contacted following.
LEWIS cleaners and laundry. Rock Island Ill.
Model Cleaners Rock Island
One Hour Cleaners. Rock Island.
Parker's laundry Rock Island.
7th St. Launderette Rock Island
Wee Wash- Moline
Vander Beke Cleaners- Moline Ill.
Yerbury-Dana Cleaners- Rock Island
Rock Island Launderers Rock Island.

None about mark there laundry with this type of mark, and all advised that only laundry in area with this type of mark in Crescent in Davenport Iowa.

SA CASTELMAN, Davenport RA contacted he advised that he had a recent BR case in which clothing with this same type of mark was recovered. He had covered leads with this same type of mark before. He added only laundry in area is Crescent- He called ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ person he called before and they are starting there search and cannot have it completed until tomorrow. He also used his WATS line and called Omaha and they were locating this file ~~xxxx~~ as it had the name of all cleaners and laundries that used this mark. He will advise.

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FROM : SA Charles R. Wood, Jr.

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Rebutel to all offices 4-9-68.

Following checks accomplished for the Centralia, RA territory were negative concerning the name HARVEY LOWMEYER, or HARVEY LOWMYER.

At Mt. Vernon - Jefferson County
City Directory
Telephone Directory and Information
Sheriff's Office, JOHN RICHARDSON
Police Department, Sgt. ROBT SNOW
Credit Bureau - Clerk LOIS BUNDY
Voter's Registration, County Clerk, Deputy Clerk,
Mrs. ROBERTA WEBB

At Centralia
City Directory
Telephone Directory and Information
Police Department -- Asst Chief C. SANDERS
Credit Bureau -- BERNICE STASSICK, Clerk
Voter's Registration, City Hall, Mrs. MARJORIE
ABRAMS, Payroll Clerk.

At Salem - Marion County
City Directory
Telephone Directory and Information
Police Department -- Chief R. WESTMAN
Sheriff's Office, -- Office Deputy BETTY BRASEL
No Credit Bureau at Salem, included in Centralia Area.
Voter's Registration, County Clerk, ROBERTA VOGT,
Deputy Clerk.

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At Nashville - Washington County

Telephone Directory and Information
Sheriff's Office (includes PD CR checks) Shf. J. BERRY
Voter's Registration, County Clerk, VIRGIL MAY, former
Sheriff advised re one family at Okawville a widow
named ELLA ELIZABETH LOHMEIER, an elderly person whose
family are life long residents of the county.

At Carlyle - Clinton County

Telephone Company - information
Sheriff's Office - Deputy B. HAMEL
Police Department - Chief B. ROBERTS
Voter's Registration - County Clerk, Deputy Clerk RUBY
WARREN, checking separately 32 precincts.

VANDALIA - Fayette County

City Directory
Telephone Directory and information
Sheriff's Office - Office Deputy MARIE CRIPE
Police Department - Chief DALE SLATER
Voter's Registration - County Clerk, by MARIE CRIPE

At Illinois State Prison Farm record of HARVEY LOHMEYER,
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released 10-20-51 to Sheriff Adams County for "Robbery" charge.
Previously served at St. Charles School for Boys, (1947).
FBI Number 730 979A, FP Classification O 31 WMIO 18
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White, Male, 5'9½", wt. 127 and 134 lbs, DOB 2-4-32, age 19,
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Occupation - drill press operator, blue eyes, brown hair and
scar near outer corner left eye.

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RE YOUR TEL FOUR NINE LAST.

JEROME J. TRARE\$, WM, BORN JUNE NINE ELEVEN, SIX FEET, ONE ONEHALF INCHES TALL, TWO HUNDRED THIRTY POUNDS, GRAYING BROWN HAIR, BALD FRONT AND TOP, FOUR SHERYL DRIVE, EAST ST. LOUIS, (CASEYVILLE), ILLINOIS, EMPLOYED U.S. GYPSUM AS SALESMAN OF BUILDING MATERIALS TO WHOLESALERS, WAS IN MEMPHIS APRIL TWO - FOUR LAST TO CONTACT BILL WOOD AT LUMBER YARD OWNED BY JOHNSONS, OWNERS, HOLIDAY INN MOTEL CHAIN, DRIVING SIXTYEIGHT GREEN FORD FOUR DOOR REGISTERED TO U.S. GYPSUM. DEPARTED MEMPHIS FOUR P.M. APRIL FOURSIXTYEIGHT ARRIVING AT RESIDENCE TEN THIRTY P.M. SAME DATE AFTER STOP CAIRO, ILLINOIS.

DUE TO VARIENCE IN PHYSICAL AND CAR DESCRIPTION AND DEPARTURE TIME, APPEARS NOT IDENTICAL TO UNSUB. P.

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TO MEMPHIS

FROM SPRINGFIELD (44-561)

MURKIN, RM.

RE YOUR TEL FOUR NINE LAST.

JEROME J. TRARES, WM, BORN JUNE NINE ELEVEN, SIX FEET,
ONE OONEHALF INSHES TALL, TWO HUNDRED THIRTY POUNDS, GRAYING
BROWN HAIR, BALD FRONT AND TOP, FOUR SHERYL DRIVE, EAST
ST. LOUIS, (CASEYVILLE), ILLINOIS, ^{INTERVIEWEA 4/10} EMPLOYED U. S. GYPSIM
AS SALESMAN OF BUILDING MATERIALS TO WHOLESALERS, WAS IN
MEMPNIS APRIL TWO - FOUR LAST TO CONTACT BILL WOOD AT
LUMBER YARD OWNED BY JOHNSONS, OWNERS, HOLIDAY INN MOTEL
CHAIN, DRIVING SIXTYEIGHT GREEN FORD FOUR DOOR REGISTERED TO
U.S. GYPSUM. DEPARTED MEMPHIS FOUR P.M. APRIL FOUR SIXTYEIGHT
ARRIVING AT RESIDENCE TEN THIRTY P.M. SAME DATE AFTER STOP
CAIRO, ILLINOIS.

DUE TO VARIENCE IN PHYSICAL AND CAR DESCRIPTION AND
DEPARTURE TIME, APPEARS NOT IDENTICAL TO UNSUB. P.

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AIRMAIL

TO: SAC, MEMPHIS

FROM: SAC, SPRINGFIELD (44-561) P.

SUBJECT: MURKIN
RM

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MEMPHIS DIVISION

At Memphis, Tennessee.

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If above appears pertinent to the investigation in this matter, advise Springfield of facts concerning description of subject in this matter and other pertinent data available in order that this individual might be interviewed and if necessary, the appropriate news tape shown to her and the person to which she is referring identified.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SPRINGFIELD (44-561)

DATE: 4/10/68

FROM : SA RONALD M. KLOWPFER

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Butel to Springfield dated 4/8/68.

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ROBERT PLUMMER, Chief of Police, Mattoon Police Department, Mattoon, Illinois

CHARLES TALBOTT, Chief of Police, Charleston Police Department, Charleston, Illinois

HAROLD KLINGHAMMER, Manager, Coles County Credit Bureau, Mattoon, Illinois

GENE MILLER, Sheriff, Douglas County, Tuscola, Illinois

Captain BILL MOSER, District 10, Illinois State Police, Pesotum, Illinois

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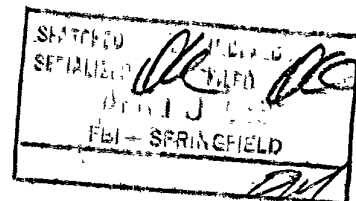
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC SPRINGFIELD

FROM : SA WILLIAM C. RITT (44-561) -P

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 4-10-68

Re Butel to all continental offices dated 4-9-68
(pertaining to check of laundry tags)

MONTGOMERY COUNTY, ILLINOIS

The following laundries and cleaners in Montgomery County were contacted by SA WILLIAM C. RITT on 4-9-68, and all stated they had no knowledge to laundry tags of the type described in referenced teletype.

HILLSBORO - NOKOMIS AREA

Butlers Speed Wash (2 locations)
Glosecki Laundry
Mar. Märfellsd Coin Laundry
Rainbow Wash House
Nokomis laundry and Dry Cleaning Center
Schramm City Laundry

LITCHFIELD AREA

Helpee-Selfee Coin Laundry
Raymond Handy Wash
Suds Center
Waynes Laundry & Dri Cleaners

MT. OLIVE AREA

Coffeen Coin Laundry
Mt. Olive Self Service Laundry

WAYNE MARFELL, Waynes Laundry, Stated that to his knowledge there were no other laundries in Montgomery, Macoupin or Christian Counties that did custom weashing - all other laundries in the area were coin operated according to this source.

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Via TELETYPE URGENT
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861) AND SAC, MEMPHIS
 FROM: SAC, SPRINGFIELD (44-561)

MURKIN, CR:

RE BUREAU TELETYPE TO ALL OFFICES APRIL EIGHT LAST AND
 SPRINGFIELD TELETYPES TO BUREAU APRIL EIGHT AND APRIL NINE
 LAST.

PURSUANT TO REFERENCED ^{BUREAU} TELETYPE, SPRINGFIELD DIVISION
 INDICES, CITY DIRECTORIES, TELEPHONE DIRECTORIES, DRIVERS
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Robert [Signature]

Approved: *[Signature]*
 Special Agent in Charge

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861) AND MEMPHIS
FROM SPRINGFIELD (44-561)

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Date: 4-10-68

Transmit the following in PLAIN TEXT
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Via TELETYPE URGENT
(Priority)

TO DIRECTOR (44-38861), BIRMINGHAM (44-1740) & MEMPHIS (44-1987)
FROM SPRINGFIELD (44-561) 1P

MURKIN

RE BIRMINGHAM TEL TO DIRECTOR AND ALL SACS, TODAY.

MOTOR VEHICLE BUREAU, SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS, RECORDS NEGATIVE
REGARDING SIXTYSIX MUSTANG DESCRIBED RETEL, AND REGARDING SUSPECT.

SPRINGFIELD INDICES NEGATIVE RE VEHICLE, LICENSE AND SUSPECT.

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FBI BIRMGHAM

1101PM IMMEDIATE 4-10-68 HEP
TO DIRECTOR AND ALL SACS
FROM BIRMINGHAM (44-1740) 1P

MURKIN

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ERIC STARVO GALT, TWO SIX ZERO, EIGHT HIGHLAND AVENUE SOUTH,
BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA, REGISTERED OWNER OF WHITE NINETEEN SIXTYSIX
MUSTANG, VIN SIX T ZERO SEVEN C ONE NINE ZERO SIX FOUR SEVEN,
BEARING NINETEEN SIXTYEIGHT ALABAMA LICENSE ONE - THREE EIGHT NINE
NINE THREE, IS PRIME SUSPECT IN THIS CASE.

ALL OFFICES CHECK ABOVE VIN FOR POSSIBLE RE-REGISTRATION.

NO INDICATION TO BE GIVEN THAT THIS LEAD IS IN CONJUNCTION
WITH MURKIN CASE.

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FBI BIRMGHAM

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TO DIRECTOR AND ALL SACS
FROM BIRMINGHAM (44-1740) 1P.

MURKIN

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC (44-561)

DATE: 4/9/68

FROM : SA Charles Travelstead

SUBJECT: MURKIN

On 4/9/68, Sheriff MAX G. WILKINSON, Piatt Co. S.O., Monticello, Ill., advised he could locate no arrest record, city directory listing, telephone directory listing or voter registration for Harvey Lowmeyer or Lowmyer.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC (44-561)

FROM : SA C.R. Cheatham

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 4/10/68

Re: ERIC STARVO GALT

on 4/10/68 the following were contact re Gault with negative results. (Monroe County, Ill.)

~~RED~~ HECKER, ILL., Post Office, LEONARD MERZ
RED BUD, ILL. " " , ELROY BRAUN
1st State Bank, Red Bud, A.F. RATHER, Pres.
1st Nat'l Bank, Red Bud, CARL GROSS, TELLER
Monroe County Sheriff, JOE MC CARTHY, WATERLOO, ILL.
(One HOWARD GALT, resides in trailer near J.C. Bridge - wife employed as school teacher Valmeyer, Ill
He formerly managed airport at Columbia + is now a drunk -)

1st Nat'l Bank, Waterloo, Ill., ROBERTA GUKER
State Bank of Waterloo, CLARENCE RUFF

1st Nat'l Bank, Columbia, Ill.
COLUMBIA Police Dept. (Red Seal)
HOWARD GALT - Has no known relatives (ERIC)

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SPRINGFIELD (44-561)

DATE: 4/8/68

FROM : SA JIMMIE C. WHITAKER

SUBJECT: MURKIN

On 4/8/68, Mr. JACK HAGEDORN, City Counselman, Grayville, Ill., telephonically contacted the writer and advised that EARL MODE of Rural Route 1, Grayville, Ill., had contacted him and advised he had information to furnish the authorities of possible interest concerning the murder of KING. MODE requested that the interviewing agent be accompanied by Mr. BERNARD STERM, City Counselman and HAGEDORN.

Accompanied by Mr. STERM and HAGEDORN, EARL MODE was contacted at his home, Rural Route 1, Grayville, Ill.

MODE related that at approximately noon to 1 PM on Saturday, 4/6/68, he met CARL HARVEY whom he has known for approximately one year in Grayville, Ill.

HARVEY inquired if MODE had heard of KING being killed and advised that he had been in Memphis on Thursday. He stated he had experienced trouble in getting out of Memphis as three Negroes had tried to turn his car over while he was stoped for a traffic signal. HARVEY allegedly split the head of one Negro with a tire iron and the other two retreated. When MODE began to ask about HARVEY's activities in Memphis, HARVEY shut up and would not say anything else.

HARVEY was described by MODE as follows:

White, Male, 6', 180-190 lbs., eyes believed to be blue, Hair sandy, worn long in front, age 27-29, characteristics long nose, friendly, frequently wears dark suit with white shirt and dark tie.

HARVEY frequently exhibits a large roll of money although he is unemployed and has no visible means of support.

He is believed to have been in Memphis, Tenn. approximately two - three weeks ago about the time KING was there previously.

When questioned as to any statements previously made by HARVEY concerning Negroes or civil rights activities, MODE stated that HARVEY on one occasion had remarked "they'll get KING".



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Investigation at Carmi, Illinois, determined that CARL HARVEY, aka. Carl E. Harvey, Carvil Harvey, Carvil Litton Harvey, has been involved in several burglaries in the area and is suspected in numerous others.

A copy of Identification record for HARVEY under Illinois State Bureau No. 610327 and FBI No. 768 690 C is attached.

Discussion with SA JOHN PEARSON, Springfield Office, determined that HARVEY does not meet the description of the subject presently being sought in this case.

No further action being taken at this time.

STATE OF ILLINOIS
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BUREAU OF CRIMINAL IDENTIFICATION AND INVESTIGATION

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Illinois State Bureau Number 610327

F.B.I. Number 768 690 C

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CONTRIBUTOR OF FINGERPRINTS	NAME AND NUMBER	ARRESTED OR RECEIVED	CHARGE	DISPOSITION
SF., Vandalia, Ill.	Carvil Harvey #45194	2-2-56	Reckeless Driv.	90 das. Fined disch exp sent 4-17-56 TOT White Co. Ill. "Check to defraud
SO., Pontiac, Ill.	Carvil Hitten Harvey #--	12-28-57	Burg.	
SF., Vandalia, Ill.	Carvel Harvey #51661	10-3-58	PL	1 yr.
SPen, Joliet, Ill.	Carl Harvey #43158	12-4-58	Burg.	1-3 yrs.
SPen, Pontiac, Ill.	Carl Harvey #23028	1-16-59	burg.	1-3 yrs.
		5-31-61	DISCHARGED	
SO., Springfield, Ill.	Carl E. Harvey #1650	8-3-67	Hold for White Co.	

Due to the fact that you did not furnish fingerprints, we cannot guarantee that the enclosed record belongs to the subject of your inquiry.

Joseph D. Nicol
Superintendent
Illinois State B. of I

For completion of our records, please supply dispositions to this Bureau in any of the foregoing cases where they do not appear. Notations indicated by * ARE NOT SUPPORTED BY FINGERPRINTS IN I.S.B. files

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	<p>WANTED: Carvel Harvey For escape 10-17-58 (will extradite) notify Warden, Ill. St. Farm Vandalia, Ill. per inf. rec. 10-27-58 IN CUSTODY, Per Print No. 43158 SPen, Joliet, Ill.</p>			

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC SPRINGFIELD (44-561)

DATE: 4-10-68

FROM : SA ROBERT A. WICKWIRE

SUBJECT: HURKIN

On this date following contacted by writer for a record of ERICK/ STARVO GALT.

No Record was found.

PAT STIMPSON, Supervisor Betterbusinessmens Credit, Moline Ill.
MARY KROPP, Ident. Rock Island PD.
LT. RAY ZELNIO, Moline Ill. PD
HAROLD BLOOMQUIST, Asst. Chief East Moline Ill. PD
LEO COOKSEY, Chief, Silvis Ill. PD
WES GREENWOOD, Chief Milan Ill. PD.
IVAN PENDLETON, Ident Rock Island Co. Sheriff's Office.

All City Directories for years 1941 through 1967 were reviewed. No, Listing for ERIC STARVO GALT.

It is to be noted that all Banks in this area are closed on Wednes

SA DAUWALDER will check all banking institutions in this area on 4-11-68 for any kind of record of ERIC STARVO GALT.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, SPRINGFIELD(44-561)

DATE:4-10-68

FROM : SA JOE A. COPELAND

SUBJECT: MURKIN
CR

The following were telephonically contacted by writer on 4-9-68, regarding knowledge of laundry mark 62B-6 and D2B-6, with negative results.

- Binkley Nelson Inc., 317 S. Gilbert, Danville
- Fonner's 1 Hour Drive-Thru, 817 N. Vermilion, Danville
- O'Brien's Model-Star Services, 208 E. Van Buren, Danville
- Lane's Three Way Cleaners, 213 N. Logan, Danville
- One-Hour Martinizing Cleaners, 16 E. Main, Danville
- Stephens Cleaners, 511 E. Fairchild, Danville
- Son Ray Cleaners, 1460 Warrington, Danville
- Shields Cleaners, 121 E. Main, Danville

The following were telephonically ^{contacted} 4-10-68 with negative results

- Danville Cleaners, 4 W. Main, Danville
- Illinois Dry Cleaners, 143 N. Vermilion, Danville
- Mel Sons, 810 N. Vermilion, Danville
- Midway Cleaners, 1201 E. Main, Danville
- ~~The following were telephonically contacted on 4-10-68 with negative results~~
- Lloyd's Cleaners, 111 E. Attica, Rossville
- Supreme Cleaners, 232 W. Court, Paris
- Stover Cleaners, 507 Plum, Marshall
- Ray's Cleaners, 332 N. Main, Paris
- Quality Cleaners, 1202 Ash, Marshall
- Fallowfield Cleaners, 112 Andrew, Paris

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Via TELETYPE URGENT
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TO DIRECTOR, FBI
SACS, ST. LOUIS + MEMPHIS

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FROM SAC SPRINGFIELD (44-561)

MURKIN, CR.

ROBERT L. PLUNK, WHITE, MALE, THIRTY FOUR, BORN NOVEMBER TWENTY EIGHT, NINETEEN THIRTY THREE, FIVE FEET, TEN INCHES, ONE HUNDRED SIXTY POUNDS, DARK BROWN HAIR (RECEDING), BROWN EYES, WAS PASSENGER ON TRAIN NUMBER SIX IC RAILROAD TO ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI, FIVE AM THIS DATE. PLUNK BRIEFLY INTERVIEWED CARBONDALE, ILL., IN VIEW OF INFORMATION FURNISHED BY TRAIN PERSONNEL INDICATING PLUNK RESEMBLED ARTIST'S SKETCH OF ASSASSIN OF DR. KING. PLUNK RESIDING R. R. TWO, MICHIE, TENN., WITH MOTHER, EULIA PLUNK, BOARDED IC PASSENGER TRAIN NUMBER TEN OUT OF JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA, AT CORINTH, MISS., WITH ROUND-TRIP TICKET TO ST. LOUIS. PLUNK PRODUCED LETTER FROM VETERAN'S ADMINISTRATION HOSPITAL (VAH), ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI, ADDRESSED TO ROBERT L. PLUNK, R. R. TWO, MICHIE, TENN., REQUESTING HIM TO REPORT FOR PHYSICAL RE DISABILITY CLAIM. PLUNK HAS TB, WAS KOREAN WAR VETERAN AND HAD PRIOR CHEST OPERATION FOR TB AT MURPHYREESBORO, TENN., VAH. LETTER DIRECTED PLUNK TO REPORT

- ~~1 - Memphis (AM)~~
 - 1 - Jackson (AM) (Info)
 - 1 - Springfield (44-561)
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Special Agent in Charge

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VAH, A ONE THREE NINE, OUT-PATIENT SERVICE, NINE ONE FIVE NORTH GRAND, ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI, APRIL ELEVEN, INSTANT. PLUNK CLAIMS DOES NOT WORK DUE TO PHYSICAL CONDITION. PLUNK OBVIOUSLY IN POOR PHYSICAL CONDITION AND HAD DIFFICULTY IN MOVING AND BREATHING. DUE TO BRIEF OPPORTUNITY IN INTERVIEW FOLLOWING BEING REQUESTED OF RECEIVING OFFICES:

ST. LOUIS AT VAH IMMEDIATELY INTERVIEW PLUNK AND OBTAIN PHOTOGRAPH AND FORWARD MEMPHIS.

MEMPHIS AT MICHE AND MURPHYREESBORO, TENN., CHECK FOR BACKGROUND AND ESTABLISH MOVEMENTS OF PLUNK DURING PERTINENT PERIOD.

INFORMATION MAIL COPY TO JACKSON INASMUCH AS PLUNK BOARDED PASSENGER TRAIN NUMBER TEN AT CORINTH, MISS.

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849AM URGENT 4/11/68 AAL

TO DIRECTOR, FBI, ST. LOUIS AND MEMPHIS
FROM SPRINGFIELD (44-561)

MURKIN, CR.

ROBERT L. PLUNK, WHITE, MALE, THIRTY FOUR, BORN NOVEMBER TWENTY EIGHT, NINETEEN THIRTY THREE, FIVE FEET, TEN INCHES, ONE HUNDRED SIXTY POUNDS, DARK BROWN HAIR (RECEDING), BROWN EYES, WAS PASSENGER ON TRAIN NUMBER SIX IC RAILROAD TO ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI, FIVE AM THIS DATE. PLUNK BRIEFLY INTERVIEWED CARBONDALE, ILL., IN VIEW OF INFORMATION FURNISHED BY TRAIN PERSONNEL INDICATING PLUNK RESEMBLED ARTIST'S SKETCH OF ASSASSIN OF DR. KING. PLUNK RESIDING R. R. TWO, MICHIE, TENN., WITH MOTHER, EULIA PLUNK, BOARDED IC PASSENGER TRAIN NUMBER TEN OUT OF JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA, AT CORINTH, MISS., WITH ROUND-TRIP TICKET TO ST. LOUIS. PLUNK PRODUCED LETTER FROM VETERAN'S ADMINISTRATION HOSPITAL (VAH), ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI, ADDRESSED TO ROBERT L. PLUNK, R. R. TWO, MICHIE, TENN., REQUESTING HIM TO REPORT FOR PHYSICAL RE DISABILITY CLAIM. PLUNK HAS TB, WAS KOREAN WAR VETERAN AND HAD PRIOR CHEST OPERATION FOR TB AT MURPHYREESBORO, TENN., VAH. LETTER DIRECTED PLUNK TO REPORT

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VAH, A ONE THREE NINE, OUT-PATIENT SERVICE, NINE ONE FIVE NORTH GRAND, ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI, APRIL ELEVEN, INSTANT. PLUNK CLAIMS DOES NOT WORK DUE TO PHYSICAL CONDITION. PLUNK OBVIOUSLY IN POOR PHYSICAL CONDITION AND HAD DIFFICULTY IN MOVING AND BREATHING. DUE TO BRIEF OPPORTUNITY IN INTERVIEW FOLLOWING BEING REQUESTED OF RECEIVING OFFICES:

ST. LOUIS AT VAH IMMEDIATELY INTERVIEW PLUNK AND OBTAIN PHOTOGRAPH AND FORWARD MEMPHIS.

MEMPHIS AT MICHIE AND MURPHYREESBORO, TENN., CHECK FOR BACKGROUND AND STABLISH MOVEMENTS OF PLUNK DURING PERTINENT PERIOD.

INFORMATION MAIL COPY TO JACKSON INASMUCH AS PLUNK BOARDED PASSENGER TRAIN NUMBER TEN AT CORINTH, MMISS.

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TO: MEMPHIS (44-1987); BIRMINGHAM (44-1740); CHICAGO
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FROM: ST. LOUIS (44-775)

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, SPRINGFIELD (44-561)

DATE: 4/11/68

FROM : SA WILLIAM ROBERTS, III - P -

SUBJECT: MURKIN
CR

At 2:30 p.m., 4/7/68, writer was advised by SA ROBERT A. WICKWIRE, Rock Island RA, that information received from Rock Island PD indicated that one BILLY KING, W/M, Age 22, 6'1", 185 pounds, dark brown hair, thin build, was being held for possible questioning re captioned matter.

KING allegedly was from Monroe, La., but was in Memphis, Tenn., on 4/4/68 and made derogatory remarks concerning negroes, etc.

SA WICKWIRE was inquiring as to information re suspect in captioned case, and a call was placed to the Memphis Office, and ASAC HALTER advised the following, which information was in turn furnished to SA WICKWIRE:

COMPOSITE DESCRIPTION OF SUBJECT

Race	White
Sex	Male
Age	26-40
Height	5'8" - 5'11"
Weight	150- 170 pounds
Hair	Dark brown or sandy (combed straight back)
Eyes	Blue or green
Build	Medium
Complexion	Average
Appearance	Neat

IMPORTANT DATES AND TIMES:

UNSUB purchased murder weapon on 3/30/68 in Birmingham, Alabama.

UNSUB purchased binoculars at 4:00 p.m. 4/4/68 at sporting goods store in Memphis.

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