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TO :SAC, SPRINGFIELD (44-561)

DATE: June 3, 1968

FROM : SA QUENTIN P. STINSON

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re memo of SA CHARLES R. WOOD, JR dated 5/14/68.

On May 21, 1968, Pete Thompson, area manager, SITE Service Station, 721 E. Camp Street, East Peoria, Illinois, advised Cecil Ray is unknown to him and further, he had no record of any prior employment for Cecil Ray. Thompson stated the nearest Site Service Station is located at Joliet, Illinois. Prior employments at that station are not available to Thompson.

On that date records of the Peoria Police Department were reviewed by clerk Margaret Kennedy and no identifiable record could be located with Cecil Ray. On that date, Mary Ann Beluschek, Clerk, Greater Peoria, Illinois Credit Bureau reviewed records of that agency and failed to locate any identifiable record.

Lead:

Consider recontact with relatives Gilbert Ray, Vandalia, Illinois and Stanley Ray, Vira, Ill. for any current information concerning the whereabouts of Cecil Ray.

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NO OTHER PERTINENT INVESTIGATIVE ACTIVITY THIS DATE, MEMPHIS.

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RE: MURKIN

Re Springfield airtel to Boston, 5/31/68.

SUSPECT IN ALTON, ILLINOIS, BANK ROBBERY, 7/13/67

The following investigation was conducted by SA THOMAS H. WEAVER:

AT JEFFERSON CITY, MISSOURI

On 6/4/68, Captain DONALD WYRICK, Administrative Assistant to the Warden, Missouri State Penitentiary, advised that inmates on discharge from the Missouri State Penitentiary (MSP) are given new clothing to wear. He said this clothing includes an elastic, stretch-type belt, and the new clothing would bear no laundry marks. He stated that inmate clothing is laundered in the prison laundry, but this clothing is prison garb not taken out by the inmates on discharge from the MSP. He stated that clothing and laundry markings such as described in referenced airtel are not familiar to him and based on description of the clothing given would not be for clothing from the MSP.

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TO SAC (44-561) DATE: 6-5-68

FROM

SA Charles R. Wood. Jr.

SUBJECT:

MURKIN

Regular contacts are being maintained with informants and sources in the Centralia RA familiar with prostitutes and "street bums", migrant worker activity and the like.

All law enforcement agencies have been alerted to the most recent information and all have the wanted flyer identification and various news photographs of subj.JAMES EARL RAY.

The Franklin Hotel in Centralia is a hostelry catering to transient and low class characters, and investigative interest at this source is being pursued through SI 42-9755, HARRY HALL is the contact.

County Coroners in Marion, Clinton, Wahington, Jefferson, and Fayette County, and Sheriff's Offices, have no known reports of unidentified dead.

Police Department at Mt. Vernon, Illinois, is the only law enforcement agency maintaining unidentified latent fingerprints in file and Sgt. ROBERT SNOW of this department has advised none of the latents in the unidentified file are comparable to those of subj RAY.

Contacts with following informant sources negative.

SI 1561-C -- 5/23/68

SI 1603-C -- 5/17,23/68 SI 1632-C -- 5/2,10,20/68

All informants are familiar with police character individuals and will report suspicious persons.

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FROM SPRINGFIELD) (44-561)

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ST. LOUIS REINTERVIEW GAWRON TO DETERMINE IF HE WAS CONTACTED BY RAY SUBSEQUENT TO ESCAPE MSP AND BR JULY THIRTEEN LAST.

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	Re Kansas City daily summary 6/4/68.	
	Enclosed is one photograph of PAUL OSBORN BRIDGEMAN, Kansas City, Missouri, Police Department #104182, for use in investigation requested in referenced daily summary.	
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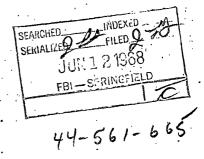
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JAMES EARL RAY, aka - 44-561

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OO: MEMPHIS

Re report of SA JOE C. HESTER 6/5/68 at Memphis.

Page 17, paragraph 4, line 6 - 12/17/67, should

be 12/7/67.

Please correct your copies.

SAC ROBERT G. JENSEN

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FROM:

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In view of subject's apprehension, any office having outstanding leads or requests for circularization in any publication of any kind should cancel outstanding request now.

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- 2 Albany
- 1 All Continental Offices
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AIR MAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM: SAC, LOUISVILLE (44-947) P

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Reference Springfield teletype to Bureau, dated 6/10/68.

On 6/11 and 12/68, photographs of JAMES EARL RAY were displayed to LARRY MC INTOSH and former owners of Mens Style Shop, Mayfield, Kentucky. Mr. WATT C. SEAY and EDWIN WILSON all advised that on an average of one year they sell over 40 dozen Royal De Luxe Stetsons and that the pictures of JAMES EARL RAY are completely unfamiliar to them. All advised that mose likely the hat purchased at Mayfield, Kentucky, was done so by a cash purchase and no record would be kept of such a transaction. All stated no charge record was available of information concerning the purchase of a Royal De Luxe Stetson.

Further, photographs displayed to COP of Mayfield, Kentuky, Sheriff Graves County, Mayfield, Kentucky, and County Judge Graves County all advised they are unable to make an identification concerning JAMES EARL RAY.

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SAC, ST. LOUIS (44-775) P

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It was indicated that SL telephone number ME 1-7777 had been called on 3-4-68, by RUBY CARPENTER, step-mother of subject, from Quincy, Ill.

SL coverage of relatives also disclosed this number was called by subject's father, JERRY RAYNES.

SA SPURGEON J. PETERSON determined from MR. T. E. UMPHRES, Area Security Supervisor, SOUTHWESTERN BELL TELEPHONE CO., SLMO, (PROTECT), that ME 1-7777 is issued to RAY BEZDEK doing business as RAY'S SPORTING GOODS, 284 Lemay Ferry, SLMO.

On 6-7-68, RAY BEZDEK, 284 Lemay Ferry, SLMO, advised SA JOSEPH A. DUBJAK that he was unable to recognize the photo of subject as being anyone known to him and that the names JAMES EARL RAY, and aliases used by subject, were likewise unfamiliar to him.

The names JERRY RAYNES and RUBY CARPENTER did have a familiar ring and after some consideration he recalled that in connection with an automobile license application and title transfer service, which he operates in conjunction with his sporting goods business, he was contacted in either Oct. or Nov. 1967, by one JERRY RAYNES who desired to transfer the title of two automobiles to RUBY CARPENTER of Quincy, Ill. The transfer necessarily went through the Mo. State Motor Vehicle Office, Jefferson City and some problems arose in connection therewith which occasioned this receipt of several calls from both RAYNES and CARPENTER. He was of the opinion that RAYNES was the only individual who had ever appeared at his store and he was unable to recall ever having seen CARPENTER.

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