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RAY, while incarcerated at USP, according to USP files, associated with inmate J. R. KELLER, No. 72614-L (as of January 23, 1957).

ZARTER advised USP records reflect that former USP inmate J. R. KELLER, USP No. 72614-L, and the USP records pertaining to KELLER, on February 20, 1957, were transferred to the Federal Prison Camp, Florence, Arizona.

RAY, while incarcerated, USP, Leavenworth, is known to have completed "a course" in Spanish.

The USP commissary records, pertaining to RAY as contained in this USP file, reflect as follows:

RAY, at time of commitment to USP, Leavenworth, on July 7, 1955, had \$159.60. On August 2, 1955, he received an additional \$3.50, however, origin of this amount not reflected this file. Effective May 15, 1957, RAY was approved to earn \$10.00 per month meritorious earnings at USP, and this amount was deposited in RAY's account at USP. The only additional money reflected as being deposited in this account was \$5.00 on February 3, 1958, the origin of the \$5.00 not reflected this file.

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TO:

DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM:

SAC, KANSAS CITY (44-760)

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SUBJECT: MURKIN

Enclosed for the Bureau and each interested office is one copy of an investigative insert concerning information obtained from the records at the U. S. Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kansas.

The information concerning J. R. KELLER was furnished the Phoenix Office by teletype. Other individuals mentioned in this insert have been brought to the attention of the offices in whose territory they reside.

No further information regarding the communication directed to the Social Security Administration, Kansas City, Missouri, on 3/3/58, is available in these files. The Social Security Office in this area is unable to make any such information available to the Kansas City Office.

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Date of Reference	Earnings Dr. or Cr.	Earnings Balance	Cash Credit	Withdrawal	Cash Balance	Total Balance
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MAR 22'60				3.00 -		.06
MAY 19'60	3.00+					3.06
JUN 7CP				3.00 -		~ .06
JUN 20160	3.00+					3.06
JUL 5 CP	3.00			3.00 -		.06
	4.00+					4.06
JUL 21'60 AUG 17CP	7.00			3.00 -		1.06
AUG 19'60	4.00+					5.06
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	P		10.00+			12.81
SEP 22 MO	4.00+					16.81
SEP 23'60	4.00		10.00+			26.81
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OCT 21'60	5.00+					11.81
	3.00			.50 -		11.31
OCT 27CM NOV 16 CP				6.00 -		5.31
NOV 18'60	5.00+					10.31
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NOV 18'60				1.00 -		8.81
NOV 23 CM				1.50 -		7.31
NOV 28 JE				3.00 -		4.31
DEC 16CP				, 5. 00		9.31
DEC 19'60	5,00+		5.00+			14.31
DEC 27 MO			5.00+			19.31
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MAR 15			1.00	6.00 -		
APR 5'			4.50+			4.50
APR 15'						6.00
APR 201				6.00 -		.00
MAY 12'						1.50
MAY 181			8.50+			10.00
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MAY 19'				20.00		1.50
JUN 11'			8.50+			10.00
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SEP 13'66			8.35+			_ 13.35
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NOV 16'66					1.35- 2.10-	9.10 · 7.00 ·
NOV 18166 NOV 23166					4.40-	2.60
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DEC 20'66MO			5.00+			12.15
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DEC 23'66					4.10-	18.05
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M. J. STEWART, Treasurer, Missouri State
Penitentiary, Inmates' Bank, furnished the following data
from the file of former inmate JAMES EARL RAY. He said
this represented all of RAY's financial transactions, through
the penitentiary facility from March 20, 1960, to the present.
He said there were no means by which the reasons for withdrawals could be established. He said he would determine
from whom money orders were received.

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FROM:

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Enclosed for the Bureau, Chicago, Memphis, and St. Louis is one copy each of FD-302 reflecting interview with M. J. STEWART, Treasurer, Missouri State Penitentiary, Inmates' Bank, regarding JAMES EARL RAY's financial transactions at this institution.

Copies being furnished Chicago and St. Louis because brothers of subject reside in those areas.

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CECIL LILLIBRIDGE, (CONCEAL) FORMER PRISONER, MISSOURI STATE PENITENTIARY, PRESENTLY INCARCERATED IN COLE COUNTY JAIL, JEFFERSON CITY, MO., FURNISHED INFORMATION REGARDING RAY'S TRAVELS IN MEXICO WHIGH HAS PREVIOUSLY BEEN SUBMITTED. ADDITION HE ADVISED/THAT IN LATE SIXTYSIX, SUBJECT HAD ANOTHER INMATE, KENNY HURTT, SEND OUT FIFTEEN DOLLARS FOR HIM SUPPOSEDLY FOR THE PURCHASE OF STATIONERY. HE ADVISED THE PRISON AUTHORITIES WATCH INMATE EXPENDITURES CLOSELY AND THERE IS A LIMIT ON THEIR MONTHLY EXPENDITURES, BUT RAY HAD SOME INCOME FROM HIS ILLEGAL ACTIVITIES IN PRISON AND NEEDED TO CONCEAL THE MONEY IN OTHER THAN HIS OWN BANK ACCOUNT. HURTT GOT RAY'S MONEY AND SENT IT OUT TO A NAME NO ALLED STATIONERY COMPANY IN ST. LOUIS MO., BUT NO STATIONERY EVER CAME AND HURTT WORRIED ABOUT IT AND THROUGHT IT MIGHT HAVE BEEN STOLEN, UNTIL HE WAS TOLD BY RAY END PAGE ONE

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THAT NO STATIONERY WOULD EVER COME AND IT WAS JUST A METHOD OF GETTING MONEY OUT WITHOUT THE PRISON'S KNOWLEDGE.

A REVIEW OF PRISON RECORDS THIS DATE, REVEAL THAT JOHN
HURTT, ALSO KNOWN AS KENNETH HURTT, MSP NO. SEVEN FIVE FIVE
ZERO TWO, ON JAN. TWENTY, SIXTYSEVEN, SENT A MONEY ORDER
IN AMOUNT OF FIFTEEN DOLLARS TWENTY FIVE CENTS TO THE
ALBERT J. PEPPER STATIONERY CO., SEVEN ONE TWO A, SHANENDOAH,

ST. LOUIS, MO. FILE REVEALS PEPPER RELATED TO BAY

IN VIEW OF THIS, IT IS FELT THAT ALL THE INFO FURNISHED BY LILLIBRIDGE, MAY BE CORRECT.

ST. LOUIS CONTACT ALBERT J. PEPPER, SEVEN ONE TWO A
SHANENDOAH CONCERNING ABOVE MONEY ORDERS AND ANY INFO HE MAY
HAVE CONCERNING HURTT OR SUBJECT.

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P. O. Box 7251 Main Station

St. Louis, Missouri 63177

May 1, 1968

Mr. Walter Brooks, Manager Congress Airport Inn 3433 Lindbergh Boulevard St. Ann, Missouri

Dear Mr. Brooks:

Enclosed herewith is Guest Registration Card #5737, dated April 18, 1968, in the name of James Ray, All State Insurance, Columbia, Missouri, which you loaned to Special Agent John J. Buckley on April 20, 1968.

Your kindness in furnishing this material is greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours,

THOMAS J. GEARTY Special Agent in Charge

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ST. LOUIS (44-775)

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RE DALLAS TEL APRIL TWENTYSEVEN, LAST, CONCERNING INTER-VIEW OF BILLY BROWN AERY.

EARL HARRIS MENTIONED RETEL POSSIBLY IDENTICAL WITH

EARL EUGENE HARRIS, SLPD FIVE NINE EIGHT FOUR ZERO,

SENTENCED DECEMBER FOUR, FIFTYSIX, SERVE THIRTEEN YEARS
ON SECOND DEGREE MURDER CHARGE.

ON MARCH THIRTEEN, LAST, SLPD INTELLIGENCE UNIT RECEIVED

CONFIDENTIAL
INFORMATION THAT EARL EUGENE HARRIS, LB FIVE NINE EIGHT FOUR

ZERO, A RECENT RELEASEE FROM MSP WAS TO START A LARGE NARCOTICS

RING IN THE ST. LOUIS AREA. HOWEVER, THEY HAVE NO CURRENT

ADDRESS OR LOCATION FOR HARRIS.

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KANSAS CITY AT JEFFERSON CITY, ATTEMPT TO DETERMINE

IF THIS INDIVIDUAL IDENTICAL WITH EARL HARRIS MENTIONED IN

RETEL AND FURNISH ST. LOUIS WITH BACKGROUND INFORMATION

FROM PRISON RECORDS INCLUDING ADDRESS HE INTENDED TO RESIDE

AT AT TIME OF RELEASE ALONG WITH DATE OF RELEASE

IN ADDITION, ASCERTAIN IF WALTER E. NOLAN, MSP PRISON
AND ASSOCIATE OF SUBJECT, IS THEHMAN MENTIONED IN RETEL AS
BEING SENT TO ISOLATION WARD AS RESULT OF BEING CAUGHT WITH
BULLETS IN HIS POCKET. FURNISH OTHER BACKGROUND FROM NOLAN'S
PRISON RECORD THAT MIGHT BE HELPFUL IN AFREINTERVIEW OF
NOLAN PARTICULAR/YINCIDENTS RELATING TO HIS ASSOCIATION WITH
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RE KCTEL TO BUREAU MEMPHIS TAMPA AND ST. LOUIS FIVE ONE SIXTYEIGHT.

RE RAY FELLOW PRISONERS.

FRED HENRY MILLER, WHITE MALE, MISSOURI TRAINING SCHOOL

FOR MEN, MOBERLY, MO., NUMBER SIX SIX FIVE THREE FIVE,

INTERVIEWED THIS DATE. WAS INCARCERATED JEFFERSON CITY, MO.,

ELEVEN TWO FIFTYTWO, FROM WAYNE CO, MO., ON LIFE SENTENCE FOR

MURDER. TRANSFERRED TO MOBERLY JULY SIXTYFIVE BACK TO JEFFERSON

CITY AUGUST SIXTYSIX AND BACK TO MOBERLY TWO FOUR SIXTYEIGHT.

KNOWS SUBJECT BY SIGHT AND REPUTATION. KNOWS NOTHING
PERSONAL ABOUT HIM AND WAS NOT A CLOSE ASSOCIATE OR SPEAKING
AQUAINTANCE.

HE IS THE ONLY FRED MILLER HE KNOWS OF EITHER IN JEFFERSON CITY OR MOBERLY SINCE NOVEMBER OF FIFTYTWO.

NO RECORD OF FRED MILLER NUMBER ZERO TWO TWO AT MOBERLY. THEY HAVE NO SUCH NUMBER.

DINCAN ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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Special Agent in Charge

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TO: DIRECTOR MEMPHIS CHICAGO

FROM: ST. LOUIS (44-775)

MURKIN - SUMMARY

DISCRETE FISUR DISCLOSED JERRY RAY LEFT SL ELEVEN FIVE

AM THIS DATE IN HIS CAR. CHICAGO ADVISED TELEPHONICALLY. NOT

AT MAC ARTHUR HOTEL, APPARENTLY STAYED WITH BROTHER JOHN. NO

INDICATION HE CONTACTED PERSONS OTHER THAN JOHN AND SISTER CAROL

PEPPER.

JOHN RAY NOT AVAILABLE UNTIL LATE THIS AFTERNOON. SA'S CONTACTED HIM AT GRAPVINE TAVERN. HAD SEVERAL CUSTOMERS, BARMAID GONE, WAS TENDING BAR ALONE. WAS CORDIAL, BUT STATED COULD NOT TALK WITH CUSTOMERS PRESENT. ASKED SA'S RETURN ELEVEN AM TOMORROW FOR INTERVIEW.

JOHN EUGENE GAWRON, AKA UNCLE JACK REINTERVIEWED. APPEARED
COOPERATIVE. SA'S DID NOT DISCLOSE JERRY RAY VISIT BUT ASKED
WHAT HAPPENED SINCE LAST CONTACTED. SUGGEST CHICAGO NOT
MENTION GAWRON TO JERRY AT THIS TIME TO SEE IF HE VOLUNTEERS

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GAWRON SAID HE VISITED GRAPVINE APRIL TWENTY NINE, (PROBABLY BEFORE JERRY'S ARRIVAL). DID NOT MENTION JERRY, AND APPARENTLY WAS NOT ADVISED OF SAME BY JOHN. CLAIMED HE TAUGHT SUBJECT BURGLARY. TAUGHT USE OF GLOVES. UNABLE TO UNDERSTAND FAILURE TO USE GLOVES THIS CASE.

ASSOCIATED CLOSELY WITH SUBJECT FIFTY EIGHT FIFTY NINE UNTIL KROGER ROBBERY APPREHENSION. PARTICIPATED WITH SUBJECT IN SOME OUT OF TOWN BURGLARIES. NEVER KNEW SUBJECT TO PULL ANY JOB ALONE. SUBJECT BASHFUL ON FIRST MEETING ANY FEMALE. TENDENCY TO LISP OR STUTTER MOST APPARENT AT THOSE TIMES. HAD NO PARTICULSR GIRL. SUBJECT PREFERS LAUREL SPRINGS BOURBON WITH SWEET SODA. CAN DRINK ENORMOUS QUANTITY WITHOUT NOTICEABLE EFFECT. DOES NOT SMOKE OR LIKE BEER.

DENIED CONTACT WITH SUBJECT SINCE KROGER ARREST OR KNOW-LEDGE OF WHEREABOUTS SINCE ESCAPE. SEEMED HURT THAT SUBJECT HAD NOT CONTACTED HIM. WHEN ASKED WHERE HE THOUGHT SUBJECT IS, HE SAID EUROPE, AS SUBJECT ONCE SAID WOULD LIKE TO GO TO SPAIN. BUREAU NOTE SUBJECT TOOK SPANISH COURSE IN LEAVENWORTH.

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TO CHICAGO KANSAS CITY ST. LOUIS AND SPRINGFIELD

FROM DIRECTOR 2P

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FULL COVERAGE IS TO BE AFFORDED THE RELATIVES OF SUBJECT RESIDING IN YOUR RESPECTIVE TERRITORIES. THIS WILL INCLUDE A SPOT SURVEILLANCE OF THESE PERSONS AS WELL AS A DETERMINATION OF THEIR ASSOCIATES AND INDIVIDUALS MAKING FREQUENT CONTACT YOU SHOULD ALSO OBTAIN ALL LONG DISTANCE TELEPHONE CALLS FROM THEIR RESIDENCE FOR PERIOD APRIL TWENTYTHREE SIXTY-SEVEN TO PRESENT TIME. YOU SHOULD MAKE THIS A CONTINUING PROJECT! UNTIL OTHERWISE ADVISED BY THE BUREAU. IF TELEPHONE CALLS LOCATED. THEY MUST BE THOROUGHLY CHECKED OUT TO DETERMINE ANY CONTACT BY THE SUBJECT. IF GRAND JURY NOT IN SESSION TO SUBPOENA RECORDS. YOU SHOULD INSURE THAT REVIEW OF RECORDS CAN BE ACCOMPLISHED WITH FULL SECURITY AND BUREAU'S INTEREST WILL BE FULLY PROTECTED. IT WILL BE FULLY INCUMBENT UPON EACH OFFICE TO BE COMPLETELY AWARE OF ANY SITUATION IN WHICH THE SUBJECT CONTACTS RELATIVES END PAGE ONE

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TO DIRECTOR (44-38861), MEMPHIS, ATLANTA, SPRINGFIELD, AND ST. LOUIS.

FROM CHICAGO (44-1114) 2P

MURKIN.

RE JOHN GAWRON

INVESTIGATION CHICAGO REVEALED THAT GAWRON, CLOSE

ASSOCIATE OF SUBJECT AND FAMILY, INCARCERATED STATE PRISON,

JOLIET, PONTIAC, AND MENARD, ILLINOIS, FOR NUMEROUS

BURGLARY VIOLATIONS. COMPLETE PRISON FILE MAINTAINED

MENARD, ILLINOIS, UNDER FBI NO. ONE THREE FOUR THREE THREE

FOUR. INFO FURNISHED TELEPHONICALLY TO SPRINGFIELD.

RE BROTHER JERRY RAY.

JERRY REINTERVIEWED THIS DATE ADVISED LEFT CHICAGO
ONE PM, APRIL TWENTY-NINE LAST BECAME TIRED, SPENT UNTIL FOUR
AM APRIL THIRTY LAST IN MOTEL, BRAIDWOOD, ILLINOIS, ARRIVED
ST. LOUIS NINE AM. STAYED AT JOHN RAY'S APARTMENT, LEMP
STREET UNTIL NOON THEN WENT TO CAROL PEPPER'S RESIDENCE,
STAYED THERE APPROXIMATELY TWO HOURS, RETURNED TO JOHN'S
TAVERN, STAYED THERE AND WITH JOHN UNTIL LEAVING ST. LOUIS
ABOUT ELEVEN AM INSTANT.

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MOST OF CONVERSATION WITH JOHN AND CAROL CENTERED AROUND ARTICLE IN LIFE MAGAZINE. STATES NO INDICATION, IN CONVERSATION WITH JOHN OR CAROL, THAT THEY AWARE OF SUBJECT'S PRESENT WHEREABOUTS OR WHEREABOUTS SINCE ESCAPE JOHN TOLD HIM FBI COMBED TWO UNTIL SEPTEMBER ONE LAST. BLOCK AREA LOOKING FOR JACK GAWRON, BROTHER AWARE GAWRON INTERVIEWED BY FBI BUT NO INDICATION THAT DETAILS OF INTER-VIEW KNOWN. ADMITS THAT, IN PAST, HE DROVE GAWRON AROUND LOOKING AT POSSIBLE BURGLARY SCORES AT WHICH TIME GAWRON WOULD PAY FOR EXPENSES. STATES TO HIS KNOWLEDGE, GAWRON NEVER COMMITTED BURGLARY IN PLACES CASED AND CLASSIFIED HIM AS PERSON LIVING ON PAST GLORIES. JERRY STATES WALTER RIPE WAS BROTHER JAMES RAP PARTNER IN LEAVENWORTH AND THAT HE, JERRY, SERVED TIME WITH BOTH LONNIE AND WALTER RIFE JERRY CONTINUES TO EXPRESS COOPERATIVE ATTITUDE. DID NOT SEE GAWRON WHILE IN ST. LOUIS.

RE JAMES E. BODKER

INVESTIGATION CHICAGO REVEALS BODKER IS AN ACTUAL

INDIVIDUAL, HAS CAR SUBURBAN MOTORS, AND WAS AT HIS MOTHER'S

RESIDENCE APRIL FOUR LAST. ELIMINATED.

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

AT JEFFERSON CITY, MISSOURI:

On April 29, 1968, a former inmate of the Missouri State Penitentiary advised as follows:

He knew JAMES EARL RAY at the Missouri State
Penitentiary (MSP). From his conversations with RAY, he
learned that RAY's maximum ambition in life was to make a
"score" of about \$20 - \$30,000.00, after which he would go to Mexico
to "hide out", living simply on the loot at the favorable
Mexican exchange rate. RAY had spoken to him about his
previous trips to Mexico, following "two or three" armed
robberies, involving small scores, where he would "cool off"
and live on beer, beans and milk. RAY spoke of Campeche
Bay, near the Yucatan Peninsula, and he spoke of living with
peasants on the outskirts of the town of Campeche, Mexico.
RAY also spoke of a cheap "red light district" he favored
located in the town of Torreon or Torrejon (phonetic), which
the former MSP inmate thought was located in north central
Mexico. Cost was a factor in anything RAY did, and he
apparently lived frugally and budgeted his money carefully.

RAY did not like Negroes in general, but he expressed no particular feeling toward MARTIN LUTHER KING, although he has heard RAY refer to Dr. KING as "MARTIN LUTHER COON". RAY read enthusiastically, especially the weekly news magazines available at the MSP, and he would react in an outspoken manner opposing H. RAP BROWN and STOKELY CARMICHAEL when he read of their activities, as well as in opposition to publicity Dr. KING received in certain instances.

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The former MSP inmate never heard of any bounty mentioned with regard to Dr. KING at the MSP or elsewhere. He believes he has heard RAY speculate that there might be some money available through some splinter group for the murder of BROWN or CARMICHAEL, but he never heard him speak in this regard about Dr. KING. RAY did not mention specific groups or any knowledge of any real payoff information. recalls RAY's telling him, during the time he celled with him, that while he was on the minor construction detail at the MSP, one of the guards referred to the Negro inmates working on the detail as "boy", and the Negroes went on a "sit-down" strike, and induced about two of the white inmates to join their strike, and when one of the Negroes referred to RAY as "gray", he got into a fight with that inmate, although the prison officials never learned of the fight, and the former MSP inmate's knowledge of the fight was as a result of RAY's telling him, and he does not know whether or not it is true.

RAY was a hypochondriac in that he took six or seven different kinds of pills daily, imagining that he had a "cranial depression" and a "rapid palpitation of the heart". He would use former inmate's watch with a second hand and time his pulse. He was able to obtain "pills" from going on sick call as well as through inmate sources in the MSP. The former inmate had some pills he had obtained for treatment of his arthritis, from which he obtained no relief, and RAY took these pills, thinking that he might some day have arthritis, and the pills might ward off future effects of that affliction. He believes RAY was selling amphetamine all the time he was in the MSP, but former inmate does not know his source.

RAY mentioned a traffic for the sale of small appliances in Mexico, due to the tariff Mexicans had to pay for such items they purchased legally, and he spoke of having smuggled such items into Mexico. He said he was acquainted with a man who operated a small scale smuggling business, who lived near the town of Campeche, Mexico. RAY mentioned this man so often that former inmate recalls his name: either MATEO LOPEZ GARCIA or MATEO GARCIA LOPEZ, who apparently had lived for some time in the United States, and who spoke English. He believes this is the man RAY referred

to as the owner of a small fishing boat, and he would smuggle things from Brownsville, Texas, into Mexico through Campeche Bay. He believes RAY made trips on this boat with the man, and apparently Mexican Nationals are not checked upon entering Mexico through Campeche Bay in fishing boats. He does not believe RAY could speak Spanish, other than for basic words for basic needs. He heard RAY mention a brother in St. Louis, Missouri, and he believes some of RAY's trips to Mexico were with either the brother or with someone he had participated in armed robberies with, name not given, RAY indicated he had invested a little money in TV sets and washing machines which were transported to Mexico by his friend with the fishing boat. RAY said he had been to Mexico City "a couple of times", and he apparently liked Mexico City, but said it was a "tourist trap", and he could not afford to stay there.

RAY's only reference to working had to do with past bartending jobs. He believes RAY said he had tended bar somewhere in Peoria, Illinois, and at some other town in southern Illinois, exact location not known. He never mentioned Oregon or Canada, that former immate recalls.

RAY never mentioned to him his plans for escape or specific plans to hide out any particular place, but his conversation indicated he wanted to "make the one big score" and retire in Mexico. He mentioned that he and another man, name not mentioned, drove to Mexico, apparently Campeche, one time, in an old model Chevrolet, specific routes not mentioned. He does not know how RAY made his other trips to Mexico he claimed to have made. He said that he had lived in a rented three-room shack on the outskirts of Campeche, within walking distance of the town, and from his conversation, former immate gathered that this was during the late 1950's. RAY said he had been in Arizona before, but he did not mention any of the Mexican-United States Border towns, other than Brownsville, Texas.

He recalls RAY mentioned having watched a "fire dance" done by small Negro boys at a hotel in Acapulco, Mexico. He indicated he had not stayed at the hotel where the performance was, since it was too expensive, but stayed at an unnamed cheaper hotel, and he indicated that live coals

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were kicked over a cliff into the surf below the hotel, after which the boys would dive into the surf as it rushed through a small inlet.

He recalls RAY once had another inmate, KENNY HURT, or HURTT, in about 1966, send out about \$15.00 for him once, purportedly for the purchase of stationery for legal papers. The prison authorities watch inmate expenditures closely and at the time, the inmates were allowed only about \$23.00 per month expenditures, but RAY had some income from his illegal activities in prison and needed to conceal the money in other than his own treasury account. HURTT got RAY's money and sent it out to a Mr. and Mrs. (name unrecalled) Stationery Company in St. Louis, Missouri, but no stationery ever came to HURTT, who worried about it and thought it might have been stolen until he was told it would never come, by RAY, who had used HURTT for getting rid of the money without HURTT's knowledge of what he was doing.

Former MSP inmate does not know who RAY might contact, other than the supposed friend at Campeche he named, and he has no knowledge of his whereabouts and no knowledge of his plans to escape, or activities following escape. He does not approve of the murder with which RAY is charged, however, and desired to furnish the above information to help if he can.

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TO:

DIRECTOR, FBI (44-35861)

FROM:

SAC, KANSAS CITY (44-760) P

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Enclosed herewith to the Sureau are 3 copies of an investigative insert concerning an interview with CECIL CLAYTON LILLIBRIDGE aka CARL LILLIBRIDGE, MSP \$67755. LILLIBRIDGE is currently confined in the Cole County Jail, Jefferson City, No. and requested his identity be concealed. Therefore his name is not being set forth on the investigative insert.

2 copies above insert are enclosed to Memphis.

l copy above insert enclosed to San Antonio, St. Louis and Chicago.

The pertinent portion of this information has previously been furnished by teletype, however the insert is being enclosed for complete information.

It is to be noted that the prison records reveal JOHN HURTT aka KENNETH HURTT, MSP \$75502, on 1/20/67, sent a

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money order in the amount of \$15.25 to the Albert J. Pepper Stationery Co., 712A Shanendoah St., St. Louis, Mo. A review of the file reflects ALREPT J. PEPPER related to subject. In view of this it is felt that all the information furnished by LILLIBRIDGE may be correct.

Kansas City office is reviewing prison records in an attempt to locate KENNETH HURTT. Other leads in this matter were set out by teletype.

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TO DIRECTOR (44-38861), MEMPHIS (44-1987), ST. LOUIS (44-775).

AND SPRINGFIELD

FROM CHICAGO (44-1114)

MURKIN SUMMARY

BROTHER JERRY WILLIAM RAY. IN INTERVIEW THIS DATE

JERRY ADVISED HE HAD BEEN INTERVIEWED BY "SUN TIMES" REPORTER

FURNISHING ONLY FAMILY INFO. NO COMMENT MADE AS TO ANY INFO

HE HAD FURNISHED TO FBI. DID TELL REPORTER HE BELIEVES

FBI WILL FIND SUBJECT SINCE FBI FOUND HIM (JERRY) SO QUICKLY. NO

ADDITIONAL ASSOCIATES OF EITHER SUBJECT OR JERRY DEVELOPED.

STATES OCCASIONALLY USES PHONE IN COTTAGE, COMMON TO OTHER

ROOMERS, BUT ALSO MAKES CALLS FROM VARIOUS PAY PHONES WITHIN

COUNTRY CLUB. SURVEY THIS DATE REVEALS FOUR PRIVATE PHONES

AND SEVEN PAY PHONES AVAILABLE FOR JERRY'S USE. ALSO, THERE

IS SHOPPING CENTER WITHIN FOUR BLOCK AREA WITH NUMEROUS

PHONE BOOTHS.

IN CONVERSATION, ATTEMPTING TO DEVELOP FURTHER ASSOCIATES
OF SUBJECT, JERRY STATED JOSEPH AUSTAN WAS PROBABLY
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CLOSEST TO SUBJECT AT TIME OF THEIR ARREST AUGUST NINETEEN FIFTYNINE BUT KNOWS OF NO ASSOCIATION

RECENTLY. STATED JACK GAWRON NOT PARTICULARLY CLOSE TO SUBJECT
BECAUSE OF TENDENCY TO TALK ABOUT "SCORES" (ROBBERIES OR BURGLARIES).
NO KNOWLEDGE WHETHER GAWRON AND SUBJECT COMMITTED CRIMES TOGETHER BUT
DOES NOT THINK THEY DID. NO OPINION STATED NOR ELICITED AS TO
BELIEF WHETHER OR NOT SUBJECT MIGHT CONTACT GAWRON.

RE JAMES E. BODKER. INTERVIEWED THIS DATE. ELIMINATED AS SUBJECT OR CO CONSPIRATOR.

RE TOLL CALLS. IBT FURNISHING AVAILABLE TOLL TICKETS

OF SUSAN DONIAN. SISTER. WITH FULL SECURITY. POSSIBILITY

OF OBTAINING TOLL CALLS FOR ALL PHONES AVAILABLE TO JERRY BEING

EXPLORED. ALSO THROUGH ADDITIONAL SOURCES CHICAGO ATTEMPTING

TO DETERMINE PHONE MOST COMMONLY USED BY JERRY.

LOOK ALIKE LEADS BEING HANDLED ON AN EXPEDITE CONTINUING BASIS, TWO ADDITIONAL INDIVIDUALS WHO MADE THREATS AGAINST KING ELIMINATED AS CO CONSPIRATORS. BUREAU ADVISED BY SEPARATE TEL.

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TO DIRECTOR, (MAIL) AND ST. LOUIS

FROM SPRINGFIELD (44-561)

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RE CHICAGO TELETYPE TO SPRINGFIELD MAY ONE LAST.

ILLINOIS STATE PENITENTIARY, MENARD BRANCH, FILE ON

JOHN EUGENE GAWRON, AKA, REVIEWED MAY ONE LAST. NOTHING

PERTINENT TO WHEREABOUTS OF JAMES EARL RAY FOUND.

DETAILS WILL FOLLOW BY AIRTEL.

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LOOK ALIKE - UNIDENTIFIED MALE DRIVING CAR WITH TENNESSEE LICENSE KN FIVE DASH SEVEN FIVE NINE ZERO.

VERNA FUCHS, FOUR ONE NINE ROSE LANE, KIRKWOOD, MISSOURI, ADVISED BETWEEN FOUR TWENTY TWO AND FOUR TWENTY SIX SHE OBSERVED A WHITE MALE WITH CREWCUT, DRIVING ON U S TWO FORTY FOUR GOING EAST WHO RESEMBLED SUBJECT. FUCHS ADVISED AUTO WAS A SMALL LIGHT COLORED AMERICAN MODEL BEARING TENNESSEE LICENSE. NUMBER KN FIVE SEVEN FIVE NINE ZERO.

MEMPHIS AT NASHVILLE CHECK LICENSE RECORDS ASSIGN LEADS. AND CONTACT OWNER OF AUTOMOBILE.

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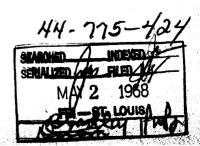
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TO ST. LOUIS

FROM DIRECTOR 2P

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ST. LOUIS WILL PROVIDE FULL COVERAGE AT THE GRAPEVINE
TAVERN TO DETERMINE IF THE OWNER OR OPERATOR OF THE TAVERN
IS POSSIBLY ENGAGED IN ANY ILLEGAL ACTIVITIES WHATSOEVER.
ALONG THESE LINES, YOU SHOULD IMMEDIATELY ASCERTAIN IF THE
TAVERN IS POSSIBLY LICENSED AND IS CONFORMING WITH PRESENT
LAWS AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING THEM. THIS IS FOR THE PURPOSE
OF DEVELOPING INFORMATION WHICH CAN BE UTILIZED IN CONNECTION
WITH INTERVIEWS TO DETERMINE WHEREABOUTS OF SUBJECT. KANSAS CITY
HAS ADVISED THAT SUBJECT RAY UTILIZED THE ALBERT PEPPER
STATIONERY COMPANY, SEVEN ONE TWO A SHENANDOAH STREET, ST. LOUIS,
MISSOURI, AS A MEANS OF GETTING MONEY OUT OF PRISON, ALLEGEDLY
PURCHASING STATIONERY. ST. LOUIS SHOULD IMMEDIATELY OBTAIN A
LISTING OF ALL TELEPHONE CALLS TO THE BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENT FOR
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