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Date: 5-8-68

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PM URGENT 5-8-68 JHH

TO: DIRECTOR MEMPHIS CHICAGO

FROM: ST. LOUIS (44-775) 1P

MURKIN - SUMMARY

JERRY RAY WILL RETURN TO CHICAGO EMPLOYMENT, LEAVING ST. LOUIS TWO PM TOMORROW. EMPLOYER HAS SECURED NEW RESIDENCE FOR HIM, LOCATION UNKNOWN. SPENT MORNING WITH BROTHER JOHN, AFTERNOON AND EVENING WITH SISTER CAROL PEPPER. WILL ADVISE ST. LOUIS PRIOR TO DEPARTURE.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, (44-775)

FROM : SA ROSENBERGER

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 5/9/68

CONTINUED COVERAGE OF J.D.DAILEY, PORTAGEVILLE, MO.

On 5/3/68 the following persons stated they have noticed no unusual activities on the part of DAILEY; have developed no information to indicate a connection with subject RAY nor have they learned of anything to indicate that DAILEY has any ~~type~~ type of or access to any farm in the area;

COP JOE MOORE, PD
JAMES BARNHAM, postmaster
GENE LA FONT, Sinclair Station
WALTER IVY, deputy sheriff.

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TO: SAC, ST. LOUIS

FROM: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987) (P)

SUBJECT: MURKIN
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Re St. Louis teletype to Memphis, 4/23/68,
requesting Memphis to check out 1964 green Chevrolet
bearing 1968 Tennessee license BG 3013.

CHARLES HOLMES, supervisor, Title and
Registration Section, DMV, Nashville, Tennessee,
advised IC ROBERT M. CALK on 4/29/68 that Tennessee
license BG 3013 is listed to LOTTIE O. DOUGLAS,
4230 Hilldale, Memphis, Tennessee, for a 1966 Pontiac
GTO, VIN 24216K139019.

LOTTIE O. DOUGLAS, 4230 Hilldale, Memphis,
advised on 5/1/68 that she owns a 1966 Pontiac GTO,
black over white in color, bearing 1968 Tennessee
license BG 3013. She stated that she was at her
place of employment on 4/16 and 4/17/68 and was
driving the above described car. She advised that
she has not loaned her car to anyone since she
purchased the car in 1966, and that she has never
been to St. Louis, Missouri, and the car has never
been driven to St. Louis. She stated that license
BG 3013 was assigned to her when she purchased the
car in 1966, and that she has never had a license
plate stolen from the car.

② St. Louis
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It was noted from personal observation that a 1966 Pontiac GTO, bearing Tennessee license BG 3013, was parked in the parking lot of the Dennis Beauty Salon, 4826 Poplar Avenue, Memphis, place of employment of LOTTIE O. DOUGLAS. It was further noted that Tennessee license plates reflecting the number BG 3013 were attached to both the front and rear of the car.

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155PM URGENT 5/9/68 MAL

TO CHICAGO, INDIANAPOLIS, AND ST. LOUIS
FROM SPRINGFIELD (44-561)

MURKIN.

RE MY TEL THIS DATE.

RE JOSEPH ELMER AUSTIN, AKA.

AUSTIN'S BROTHER, CHARLES, LOCATED AND INTERVIEWED, WAVERLY, ILLINOIS, AND WAS IN RECEIPT OF LETTER MAY SEVEN FROM AUSTIN WITH RETURN ADDRESS, TWO ZERO THREE WARREN BOULEVARD, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS. CHARLES AUSTIN WAS NOT SURE IF HIS BROTHER IS EMPLOYED.

CHARLES AUSTIN INTERVIEWED RE SUBJECT RAY AND SHOWN PHOTOGRAPH OF RAY BUT ADVISED HE WAS NOT ACQUAINTED WITH SUBJECT NOR HAD HE EVER HEARD HIS BROTHER MENTION SUBJECT.

CHICAGO LOCATE AND INTERVIEW JOSEPH ELMER AUSTIN FOR ANY INFORMATION RE SUBJECT RAY.

COPIES MAILED MEMPHIS AND KANSAS CITY.

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CORRECTION LINE ELEVEN SEVENTH WORD SHOULD BE AUSTIN.

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TO ST LOUIS 44-775

FROM DIRECTOR 44-38861 1P

MURKIN.

ADVISE BY RETURN TEL RESULTS OF REINTERVIEW WITH
CARL DRAKE AND CURRENT DEVELOPMENTS INTO ASSOCIATES AND
BACKGROUND OF JAMES D. DAILEY.

YOU ARE TO FURNISH BUREAU DAILY TELETYPE SUMMARY
WHICH SHALL INCLUDE BUT NOT BE LIMITED TO INFORMATION
DEVELOPED AS TO ACTIVITIES OF SUBJECTS'S RELATIVES AND THEIR
ASSOCIATES IN YOUR AREA. THIS MATTER MUST BE VIGOROUSLY
PRESSED BY YOUR OFFICE. COPY MAILED MEMPHIS.

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TO: DIRECTOR MEMPHIS CHICAGO LOSANGELES OMAHA
FROM: ST. LOUIS (44-775)

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FOR ASSISTANCE OFFICES NOT RECEIVING PREVIOUS INFO, JOHN EUGENE GAWRON, FBI NUMBER ONE THREE FOUR THREE THREE FOUR, LIVED WITH SUBJECTS MOTHER BETWEEN IMPRISONMENTS NINETEEN FIFTY FOUR TO HER DEATH NINETEEN SIXTY ONE. APPEARS CLOSEST PERSON TO FAMILY. CLAIMS TAUGHT SUBJECT BURGLARY AND CASED SEVERAL JOBS TOGETHER FIFTY EIGHT FIFTY NINE.

UNDER DEVELOPMENT AS PCI SINCE INITIAL INTERVIEW THIS CASE. IS SEVENTY YEARS OLD, ON VERGE OF SENILITY, EXTREMELY RAMBLING IN CONVERSATIONS, AND AGENTS EXPERIENCE DIFFICULTY KEEPING INTERVIEWS ON PERTINENT TRACK, AS WELL AS SEPARATING FACT FROM CONJECTURE. JERRY RAY HAS DESCRIBED HIM AS KOOK. 44-775-496 SEARCHED OTHER SOURCES REGARD HIMAS CRAZY OLD MAN WHO TALKS TOO MUCH. SERIALIZED INDEXED FILED

ON INTERVIEW TODAY GAWRON STATED WITHIN DAY OR TWO FOLLOWING RELEASE ON BOND, JUNE TWENTY THIRD TWENTY FOURTH SIXTY SEVEN, HE READ IN CHICAGO TRIBUNE OF BANK ROBBERY OF FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS IN SOUTHERN STATE, AND RECALLED BANK HAD BEEN CASED BY SUBJECT AND SELF ON TWO FRIDAYS, BIG PAY ROLL DAYS, FIFTY EIGHT FIFTY NINE, BUT NOT ROBBED DUE TO GAWRON LEG INJURY.

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FEW DAYS AFTER ARTICLE WAS VISITED BY MAN HE REFUSED TO NAME, WHO HE BELIEVED HE HAD INTRODUCED TO RAY IN FIFTY NINE, WHO TOLD HIM HE AND OTHERS HAD ROBBED BANK, DISPLAYED VALISE FULL OF MONEY AND GAVE HIM TWO HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS.

GAWRON HAS ADVISED FEW DAYS LATER HE VISITED FAMILY AND CAROL PEPPER, SISTER AND JOHN RAY, BROTHER, TOLD HIM SUBJECT WAS NOT IN MISSOURI. WEEK OR SO LATER THEY SAID SUBJECT IN OMAHA, DOING WELL, HE BELIEVED AS SALESMAN. WEEK OR SO LATER THEY SAID SUBJECT IN LOS ANGELES. CLAIMED NO DISCUSSION AS TO HOW THEY KNEW, OR INFO AS TO DIRECT OR INDIRECT CONTACT.

SIX WEEKS AGO WAS VISITED BY SAME MAN WHO INDICATED SUBJECT AND ONE OR MORE OTHERS WERE ACCOMPLICES IN BANK ROBBERY.

GAWRON DECLINED TO GIVE LOCATION OF BANK OR IDENTITY OF MAN AT THIS TIME, SAYING WANTED TO SEE MAN AGAIN AND IDENT ALL ACCOMPLICES, AND BE SURE HIMSELF IN THE CLEAR. PROMISED ADDITIONAL DETAILS IN FEW DAYS. INTERESTED IN BANK ROBBERY REWARD. WAS PRESSED FOR DETAILS ON PROBABILITY OF IMMEDIATE REWARD BUT DECLINED.

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DURING PRESS FOR DETAILS STATED CITY WHERE BANK LOCATED WAS NOT SMALL, WAS NEAR RIVER WHICH IS STATE LINE, ROBBERS IN ANOTHER STATE FIVE MINUTES AFTER ROBBERY. WAS IN DEEP SOUTH, "LIKE MISSISSIPPI" BUT NOT MISSISSIPPI. LOOT PLUS OR MINUS TWO THOUSAND WAS FIFTY THOUSAND. SIZEABLE AMOUNT IN VAULT MISSED BY ROBBERS. SAID UN NAMED MAN NOT ST. LOUISAN, BUT BELIEVED FROM SOUTH WEST AND HAS SERVED SOME SENTENCE POSSIBLY IN ARKANSAS.

CLAIMED DID NOT MENTION ROBBERY EARLIER AS SUBJECT SOUGHT FOR MURDER AND DID NOT BELIEVE ANYONE INTERESTED IN LESSER CRIME.

JOHN LARRY RAY TODAY EMPHATICALLY DENIED ALL KNOWLEDGE OF SUBJECTS WHEREABOUTS SUBSEQUENT TO ESCAPE, SPECIFICALLY DENIED AND INFO OR STATEMENT THAT SUBJECT IN OMAHA OR LOS ANGELES PRIOR TO NEWSPAPER REPORTS THIS CASE, AND STATED CONVICTION SISTER CAROL AND BROTHER JERRY HAVE SIMILAR LACK OF KNOWLEDGE.

TO ASSIST ST LOUIS IN EVALUATING CREDIBILITY OF GAWRON, BUREAU IS REQUESTED TO EXAMINE REPORTED BANK ROBBERIES IN SOUTHERN STATES JUNE JULY SIXTY SEVEN TO SEE IF CITIES INVOLVED ARE NEAR STATE LINE RIVER AND LOOT IN VICINITY OF FIFTY THOUSAND.

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CHICAGO IS REQUESTED TO REVIEW JUNE TWENTY THIRD TO END
OF JULY ISSUES OF CHICAGO TRIBUNE FOR ACCOUNT OF SUCH ROBBERY.

OMAHA AND LA THROUGH SUCH SOURCES AS MAY BE DEEMED
APPROPRIATE ATTEMPT DETERMINE PRESENCE OF SUBJECT IN THIER
TERRITORIES JUNE AND JULY SIXTY SEVEN.

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TO: DIRECTOR MEMPHIS CHICAGO LITTLE ROCK
FROM: ST. LOUIS (44-775)

MURKIN - SUMMARY

RE BUTEL THIS DATE.

RE: CARL BENTON DRAKE: DRAKE LOCATED AND INTERVIEWED TODAY.
REITERATED INFORMATION PREVIOUSLY FURNISHED. STATED HAD TALKED
TO FRIENDS BUT HAD NO ADDITIONAL INFORMATION. AGAIN EXPRESSED
WILLINGNESS TO COOPERATE.

RE: JAMES DAVID DAILEY: FURTHER EFFORTS TO CONNECT WITH
SUBJECT OR LOCATE ANY FARM OWNED OR OPERATED BY HIM NEGATIVE.

RE: JERRY RAY. LEFT SL ONE FIFTY FIVE PM ENROUTE CHICAGO

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PEPPER AND JOHN RAY SIMILARLY UNINFORMED.

RE: JOHN EUGENE GAWRON. ALLEGED RAY ACCOMPLICE IN FIFTY

THOUSAND DOLLAR BR IN SOUTHERN STATE JUNE JULY SIXTY SEVEN; THAT
CAROL PEPPER AND JOHN RAY STATED SUBJECT IN OMAHA AND LOS ANGELES
DURING SAME PERIOD. DECLINED TO FURNISH LOCATION OF BANK OR
IDENTITY OF PERSON WHOM INFO RECEIVED AT THIS TIME. BUREAU AND

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INTERESTED OFFICES REQUESTED BY SEPERATE TELETYPE TO MAKE CHECKS
TO AID ST. LOUIS IN EVALUATING CREDIBILITY.

RE: JOHN LARRY RAY. REINTERVIEWED. DENIED ALL KNOWLEDGE SUBJECTS
WHEREABOUTS OR CONTACT SINCE ESCAPE. PARTICULARLY DENIED
STATEMENT OR KNOWLEDGE THAT SUBJECT IN OMAHA OR LOS ANGELES
PRIOR TO NEWSPAPER REPORTS THIS CASE. BELIEVES SUBJECT OUT OF
COUNTRY IF ALIVE. RECALLED HE SPOKE HIGHLY OF RHODESIAN
GOVERNMENT DURING PRISON VISITS.

RE: CAROL PEPPER. WILL ATTEMPT INTERVIEW TOMORROW. HELD IN
ABEYANCE DURING JERRY RAY VISIT.

RE: WALTER ELLSWORTH NOLAN: NOT LOCATED FOR REINTERVIEW TODAY.
CONTINUING CONTACTS INFORMANTS AND SOURCES NEGATIVE AS TO SUBJECT
WHEREABOUTS. FELLOW PRISONERS INTERVIEWS, LOOK ALIKE RESOLUTIONS,
AND COVERAGE ON RELATIVES CONTINUING.

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225 PM URGENT 5/10/68 PAK

TO DIRECTOR (44-38861), ATLANTA (44-2386), BIRMINGHAM (44-1740)
JACKSON (157-9586), MEMPHIS (44-1987), MOBILE (157-2627), NEW
ORLEANS (157-10673) AND ST. LOUIS (44-775)
FROM CHICAGO (44-1114) P 6P

MURKIN.

PERSON IDENTIFYING HIMSELF AS ROBERT WAYNE PHILLIPS, WHITE,
MALE, BORN [REDACTED] AT BELDEN, MISS., SIX FOOT ONE,
ONE EIGHTYFIVE LBS., DIRTY BLOND HAIR, BLUE EYES, CONTACTED CHICAGO
PD, WAS TURNED OVER TO CHICAGO FBI AND EXTENSIVELY INTERVIEWED
EARLY MAY TEN, INSTANT.

PHILLIPS APPEARS EMOTIONALLY BALANCED. HE FREELY
IDENTIFIED AND DISCUSSED IN DETAIL MANY OF THE PERSONS MENTIONED
IN REPORT OF SA SAM H. ALLEN, JR., MEMPHIS, APRIL TWO FOUR,
SIXTYTWO, IN CASE "HALL COOPER BOURLAND, ETAL; OOJ," BUFILE
SEVEN TWO DASH ONE THREE NINE ZERO, MEMPHIS SEVEN TWO DASH THREE
THREE, FROM WHICH CHICAGO CONCLUDES HE OBVIOUSLY IS WELL
ACQUAINTED WITH PERSONS HE DISCUSSED.

PHILLIPS SAYS HE RAN RESTAURANT SHANNON, MISSISSIPPI,
UNTIL ABOUT TWO YEARS AGO, WHICH WAS REALLY FRONT FOR ILLEGAL
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WHISKEY SALE. HE PAID FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS MONTHLY TO SHERIFF, ONE HUNDRED TO JUSTICE OF PEACE AND ONE HUNDRED TO CONSTABLE, BUT BUSINESS GOT SO BAD HE HAD TO QUIT BECAUSE COULD NOT PAY PROTECTION.

THE BIGGEST ILLEGAL "BOOZE" OPERATOR IS CARL MURPHY, JR., (SEE REREP SA ALLEN), WHITE, MALE, BORN [REDACTED], LEE COUNTY, MISS., FIVE FOOT TEN, ONE NINETY LBS., DARK BROWN HAIR, HAZEL EYES, RESIDENCE ROUTE ONE, TUPELO, MISS. PHILLIPS HAS KNOWN MURPHY ALL HIS LIFE AND ENGAGED IN "BOOZE" DEALS WITH HIM. AFTER MISSISSIPPI WENT "WET", PHILLIPS WANTED TO SELL ONLY TAXED LIQUOR WHILE MURPHY DEMANDED SALE OF BOTH TAXED LIQUOR AND "MOONSHINE."

PHILLIPS STATES THAT ABOUT TWO YEARS AGO, CANNOT BETTER FIX DATE, MURPHY TALKED TO HIM AT A SERVICE STATION SOMETIME AFTER "SELMA MARCH" BOOK PUBLISHED, AND OFFERED HIM TWO THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS TO "HIT KING," WHICH OFFER DECLINED. PHILLIPS KNOWS NO SPECIFIC REASON WHY MURPHY WOULD WANT TO KILL KING, UNLESS FOR MONEY, AS MURPHY WILL DO ANYTHING FOR MONEY. IN ADDITION PHILLIPS BELIEVES MURPHY HIGH IN WHITE HATE GROUP, PROBABLY KU KLUX KLAN, AND FRIENDLY WITH IMPERIAL WIZARD SHELTON IN TUSCALUSA, ALABAMA.

ABOUT SIX YEARS AGO GROUP OF LAWYERS IN TUPELO, MISS.,
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INCLUDING PETE MITCHELL, JOHN SHANDS (WHOSE BROTHER IS CITY JUDGE), AND (FNU) ROGERS, GOT UP A BIG MEETING, HANDED OUT LITERATURE, AND IT WAS WELL KNOWN IN THE AREA THIS WAS ACTUALLY KKK GROUP ALTHOUGH CALLED SOME OTHER UNRECALLED NAME.

PHILLIPS SAID THAT IN ABOUT SIXTYTWO, MURPHY HIRED J.W. RILEY TO KILL JAMES "GRUBBY" GRUBBS, WHO HAD "BOOZE" TERRITORY BUT WOULD NOT BUY FROM MURPHY. RILEY SHOT GRUBBS WITH SHOTGUN, MURPHY WAS PRESENT, AND DAVID SCOTT DROVE CAR. RILEY AND MURPHY WERE INDICTED, RILEY WAS CONVICTED AND SENTENCED TO TWELVE YEARS FOR MANSLAUGHTER. RILEY SERVED FOUR YEARS, GOT OUT, AND WAS KILLED BY FBI AGENTS IN SHOOT OUT AFTER HICKORY FLATS, MISS., BR. PHILLIPS SAYS WORD IS THAT MURPHY SET UP RILEY ON BR AND FOR COUNTERFEIT MONEY.

PHILLIPS DOES NOT BELIEVE SCOTT WAS TRIED FOR MURDER AND IN PAST FEW YEARS SCOTT, WHO REMAINS CLOSE TO MURPHY, SUDDENLY OBTAINED FARM, CATTLE AND HOME ABOUT ONE AND ONE - HALF MILES SOUTHWEST OF BELDEN, MISS. PHILLIPS SAYS PERSON JUST DOES NOT BECOME SO AFFLUENT THESE DAYS IN MISSISSIPPI WITHOUT "REAL CROOKED CONTACTS."

PHILLIPS CLAIMS USED TO WORK FOR GRUBBS AND WAS TOLD BY SCOTT BEFORE KILLING TO TAKE OFF FOR ST. LOUIS, AS THEY WERE GOING TO
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KILL GRUBBS. PHILLIPS CLAIMS THEY "CHASED GRUBBS ALL OVER THE COUNTY" BEFORE KILLING HIM.

MURPHY REPORTEDLY KILLED JOHN OLIVER YOUNGER AND BOBBY PITTMAN EAST OF BELDEN, MISS., AT MURPHY RESIDENCE, ABOUT NINETEEN SIXTYTHREE. THEY BROUGHT TRAILER LOAD OF "BOOZE" TO MURPHY AND WHEN ASKED FOR PAY HE KILLED THEM, SHOT HIMSELF IN STOMACH WITH TWENTY TWO CALIBER, CLAIMED SELF DEFENSE AND SHERIFF FRANK CARTER, WHO WAS CROOKED WITH MURPHY, NEVER EVEN INVESTIGATED CRIME.

PHILLIPS CLAIMS MURPHY CAN "GETAWAY WITH NEARLY ANYTHING," ALTHOUGH HAS BEEN TO BOTH FEDERAL AND STATE PRISON, BUT MAKES MORE MONEY IN PRISON THAN OUT. WHENEVER CHARGED ALWAYS TRY TO BRIBE JURY AND GENERALLY DOES, OR NEVER GETS TO JURY THROUGH BRIBES TO POLICE, SHERIFF OR JUDGES.

PHILLIPS VISITED HIS MOTHER, MRS. JETTIE L. KEY, FIVE SEVEN FIVE EAST MAIN ST., BALDWIN, MISS., FROM ABOUT APRIL EIGHTEEN TO TWENTYNINE, LAST, AND TALK AROUND TOWN ABOUT KING SLAYING WAS THAT MURPHY "GOT AWAY WITH ANOTHER ONE." PHILLIPS HAS NO SPECIFIC INFORMATION BUT BELIEVES MURPHY EITHER WAS INVOLVED IN OR KNOWS WHO KILLED KING AND GOT SOME MONEY OUT OF IT. PHILLIPS PERSONALLY FEELS MURPHY AND KKK INVOLVED IN MURKIN.

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MURPHY HAS MANY CONTACTS IN SURROUNDING STATES. DEALS WITH SHELTON IN TUSCALUSA, MAKES FREQUENT LIQUOR BUYING TRIPS TO NEW ORLEANS, AND DEALS IN "BOOZE" WITH EDDIE (LNU) AT CASA NOVA, NIGHT CLUB, CARUTHERSVILLE, MISSOURI. MURPHY HAS MANY TRUCKS ON ROAD AND KEEPS THEM HID IN BARN. HAS UNTOLD NUMBER PLACES WHERE COULD HIDE FUGITIVE, PARTICULARLY IN UNION COUNTY AND AS SCOTT FARM.

PHILLIPS VOLUNTEERED FOREGOING AS "GOOD CITIZEN." HE HAS NOT ASKED FOR ANYTHING, BUT WHEN SPECIFICALLY QUESTIONED, SAID WOULD RETURN TUPELO AREA TO HELP BUREAU IF HAD JOB AS FRONT. HAS SIXTH GRADE EDUCATION AND APPEARS FAIRLY SHREWD FROM "SCHOOL OF HARD KNOCKS." SAYS HE IS KNOWN BOOTLEGGER IN MISSISSIPPI, DOES NOT WANT TO CARRY ON THIS TRADE, BUT COULD EASILY "GET INTO THE STREAM OF THINGS AGAIN." BELIEVES WOULD NOT BE ABLE TO DISCOVER ANYTHING IMPORTANT TO MURKIN AS ANYONE INVOLVED WOULD BE COMPLETELY CLOSED MOUTHED.

CHICAGO IS UNABLE TO REASONABLY ASSESS FOREGOING DATA FOR AUTHENTICITY OR AS TO PROSPECTS IN MURKIN. PHILLIPS DOES NOT KNOW SUBJECT RAY.

UACB, EACH RECEIVING OFFICE WILL CAREFULLY REVIEW FILES FOR ALL INFORMATION CONCERNING CARL MURPHY, JR., WITH VIEW IN MIND
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OF DETERMINING HIS PRECISE KKK RELATIONSHIP AND ACTIVITIES,
AS WELL AS SEEKING ANY POSSIBLE CONNECTION WITH SUBJECT RAY,
EITHER THROUGH CONTACTS IN HIS TRAVELS, IMPRISONMENTS OR COMMON
ACQUAINTANCES. ESTABLISH PRECISE TRAVELS AND WHEREABOUTS PAST
SEVERAL MONTHS.

BUREAU REQUESTED TO LOCATE CARL MURPHY, JR. IDENTIFICATION
RECORD AND SUTEL DETAILS OF INCARCERATIONS TO PERMIT LOGICAL
INVESTIGATION IN EFFORT TO DISCOVER CONNECTION WITH RAY.

PHILLIPS HAS PROMISED TO MAINTAIN CONTACT WITH CHICAGO.
HE WAS FINGERPRINTED AND PHOTOGRAPHED AT CHICAGO. DENIES ANY
PRISON SENTENCE.

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TO: DIRECTOR (44-38861)
 INDIANAPOLIS
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 SPRINGFIELD

FROM: ST. LOUIS (44-775) 2P

MURKIN

RE: SUBJECT'S BROTHER, JOHN LARRY RAY.

JOHN LARRY RAY CLAIMS SERVED SIX YEARS, EIGHT MONTHS,
 (23401)
 MENARD PENITENTIARY, IN ILLINOIS; AND TWO YEARS, THREE MONTHS,
 INDIANA STATE PRISON. ~~(35297)~~ (35297)

INDIANAPOLIS AND SPRINGFIELD, REQUESTED TO MAKE CONTACT
 PRISON OFFICIALS, OBTAIN COMPLETE DATA IN FILE REGARDING JOHN
 LARRY RAY INCLUDING ANY CHRONOLOGICAL DATA SHEETS SHOWING
 ACTIVITIES WHILE IN PRISON, ANY DATA REFLECTING DISCIPLINARY
 ACTION, MENTALITY TESTS, OR DIAGNOSTIC REPORTS ~~FROM~~ FROM
 EVALUATION COMMITTEES AND OR PSYCHIATRIC EXAMINATION. THIS
 DATA TO BE USED FOR EVALUATION AND ASSISTANCE IN CONTINUING
 CONTACTS AND INTERVIEWS WITH JOHN LARRY RAY. 44-775-199

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**IF JOHN LARRY RAY KNOWN TO ANY SOURCES AT THESE TWO
PRISONS, OBTAIN FROM THESE SOURCES ANY INFO THAT WOULD
IDENTIFY CLOSE ASSOCIATES OF JOHN LARRY RAY, PARTICULARLY
THOSE WHO MIGHT BE FROM OR RESIDING IN THE ST. LOUIS AREA.**

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FROM: ST. LOUIS (44-775) 1P

MURKIN

RE KANSAS CITY AIRTEL, MAY SIX, LAST.
ENCLOSURE REGARDING WALTER E. NOLAN ^{FROM MSP} WITH REFERENCED
COMMUNICATION DID NOT INCLUDE CHRONOLOGICAL DATA SHEET,
DIAGNOSTIC CENTER REPORT, OR PAGES OTHER THAN PAGE ONE OF
CLASSIFICATION SUMMARY, AND ANY INFORMATION POSSIBLY IN HIS
FILE REGARDING ASSESSMENT BY CLASSIFICATION COMMITTEE; RELATIVE
CORRESPONDENCE AND VISITING LIST NOT INCLUDED.

KANSAS CITY, FURNISH SAME FOR ASSISTANCE IN EVALUATING
NOLAN'S ANSWERS AND REACTIONS IN ANTICIPATED RE-INTERVIEW.

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TO DIRECTOR /44-38861/ ST. LOUIS /44-775/ MEMPHIS /44-1987/
FROM CHICAGO /44-1114/

MURKIN.

RE ST. LOUIS TEL MAY NINE LAST.

RE ALLEGED BANK ROBBERY OF FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS IN SOUTHERN
STATE. REVIEW OF "CHICAGO TRIBUNE" NEWSPAPERS FOR JUNE TWENTY
THREE TO JULY THIRTYONE, SIXTYSEVEN, REGARDING BANK ROBBERY
ALLEGED BY JOHN GAWRON NEGATIVE.

CHICAGO INDICES NEGATIVE RE BANK ROBBERY OR MAJOR THEFT AT
THAT TIME. CHICAGO PD AND COOK COUNTY SO CONTACTED RE ANY INFOR-
MATION OF SUCH ROBBERY OR THEFT WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

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RE CHICAGO TEL TO ST. LOUIS MAY NINE, SIXTY EIGHT.

INVESTIGATION CONDUCTED BY SA AUBREY D. PARK. WILLIAM
NETHINGTON, SULLIVAN, MO., A PRIVATE INVESTIGATOR FOR DAVIS,
 A PRIVATE INVESTIGATING AGENCY IN CHICAGO, ADVISED ON MAY TEN,
 SIXTY EIGHT HE IS MARRIED TO NEICE OF MILFORD ROEHRS, A
 SULLIVAN, MO., POLICE OFFICER. ABOUT TWO DAYS AFTER KING WAS
 MURDERED, ROEHRS MADE THE STATEMENT THAT KING'S MURDERER WAS
 OUT OF THE U. S. NETHINGTON HAS TALKED WITH ROEHRS SEVERAL
 TIMES SINCE THEN AND ROEHRS HAS STATED KING'S KILLER IS
 PROBABLY IN ARGENTINA. NETHINGTON COULD NOT RECALL ROEHRS
 MAKING ANY STATEMENT ABOUT JAMES EARL RAY'S ESCAPE FROM MO.
 PENITENTIARY BEING PLANNED BY THE KLAN. NETHINGTON HAS
 CONCLUDED ROEHRS IS A MEMBER OF THE KKK. *44-775-502*

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NETHINGTON REPORTED THE ABOVE INFORMATION FO HIS BOSS, LT. EARL HENDERSHOT, OF CHICAGO, ILL., WHO SAW THE POSSIBILITY OF COLLECTING LOTS OF MONEY IF, THROUGH ROEHRS, HE COULD OBTAIN THE DETAILS OF THE MURDER IN THIS CASE OR ASCERTAIN THE WHEREABOUTS OF THE MURDERER. NETHINGTON COULD NOT RECALL THAT ROEHRS EVER INDICATED THE SOURCE OF HIS INFORMATION AND STATED IT COULD HAVE BEEN MERELY HIS OPINION.

NETHINGTON INTRODUCED ROEHRS TO HENDERSHOT AS A FRIEND FROM CHICAGO. HENDERSHOT TALKED WITH ROEHRS PRIVATELY FOR ABOUT THIRTY MINUTES AND STATED HE GOT NO PERTINENT INFORMATION BUT CONCLUDED THAT ROEHRS WAS PROBABLY A MEMBER OF THE KLAN.

MILFORD JAMES ROEHRS, THREE ZERO FIVE EAST STREET, SULLIVAN, MO., A MEMBER OF THE SULLIVAN POLICE DEPARTMENT, ADVISED ON MAR. TEN, SIXTY EIGHT, HE IS A MEMBER OF THE KKK BUT KNOWS NOTHING ABOUT THE ESCAPE OF RAY FROM MO. PENITENTIARY, THE MURDER OF KING, OR THE WHEREABOUTS OF THE MURDERER. HE

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NEVER HEARD OF RAY UNTIL AFTER HE HAD BEEN IDENTIFIED IN THIS
CASE, AND HIS STATEMENTS HE HAS MADE REGARDING THE CASE ARE HIS
PERSONAL OPINIONS. HE HAS HEARD NOTHING REGARDING THIS CASE
THROUGH THE KLAN ORGANIZATION.

CHICAGO ADVISED BY AIRMAIL. P

Subject armed & dangerous

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-- TO DIRECTOR, MEMPHIS, AND CHICAGO
FROM ST. LOUIS

MURKIN - SUMMARY

RE CAROL PEPPER: REINTERVIEWED. INDICATED WILLING TO COOPERATE. APPEARED FRIENDLY BUT MAINTAINED HAD NO PERTINENT INFORMATION. CLAIMED SAW SUBJECT ONLY THREE OR FOUR TIMES IN LIFE, AFTER SHE CAME TO SL AT AGE SIXTEEN, BUT HAS HAZY MEMORY OF MEDALS ON UNIFORM WHEN RETURNED FROM ARMY. NEVER ATTEMPTED VISIT AT MSP, BUT WROTE LETTERS TO HIM THERE IN BEHALF AND NAME OF GRANDMOTHER MARY MAHER AND CONTINUED SAME THREE OR FOUR LETTERS FOLLOWING MAHER DEATH. RECEIVED TWO OR THREE LETTERS FROM HIM. COULD HAVE RECEIVED LETTER FROM HIM ADDRESSED TO ALBERT PEPPER STATIONERY CO AT HER RESIDENCE, BUT BELIEVED IF SHE HAD, IT HAD BEEN PREVIOUS TO JANUARY SIXTYSEVEN, AND ANY MONEY RECEIVED WOULD HAVE BEEN LESS THAN FIFTEEN DOLLARS. ANY MONEY RECEIVED WOULD PROBABLY HAVE BEEN FOR MAGAZINES HE REQUESTED WHICH SHE NEVER SENT. COMPLAINED OF PRESS AND STATED HUSBAND HAD SENT REPORTS AWAY. DOES NOT DESIRE PUBLICITY. BELIEVES SUBJECT NOT GUILTY AND IS CONCERNED OVER NEWS CONJECTURE THAT HE MAY BE DEAD. CLAIMS NOT AWARE OF IDENTITIES OF ANY RAY ASSOCIATES. DENIED ANY CONTACT WITH RAY SUBSEQUENT TO ESCAPE OR ANY KNOWLEDGE

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RE JOHN LARRY RAY AND ^{GAWSON}JOHN GAWSON: NO ATTEMPT TO REINTERVIEW TODAY.

RE JAMES DAVID ^{DAILEY}~~DAILEY~~: SOURCES HAVE NO ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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RE JERRY RAYNES: REINTERVIEWED LAST EVENING. VOLUNTEERED SONS JOHN AND JERRY RAY HAD SPENT NIGHT WITH HIM, HE BELIEVED MAY SIXTY, AND THAT THEY LEFT FOR SL FOLLOWING MORNING EARLY. CALLED THEM COUPLE OF IDIOTS. THEY WERE DRINKING AND ARGUING. JOHN INDICATED RESENTMENT OF HIMSELF AND CAROL PEPPER OVER JERRY HAVING SOLD LIFE MAGAZINE STORY ABOUT FAMILY WHICH WAS HALF LIES. ^{RAYNES}~~RAYNES~~ THOUGHT JERRY VISITING IN SL AND SPENDING LIFE MONEY WHICH HE ALSO RESENTED. CLAIMED HOUSE IN EWING MO., DID NOT HAVE DIRT FLOOR WHEN FAMILY LIVED THERE. ADMITTED LIVING COMMON LAW WITH CHILDRENS MOTHER BEFORE ALLEGEDLY MARRYING HER BEFORE JUSTICE OF PEACE IN FLORIDA. VOLUNTEERED HE ^{HAD}~~HAD~~ BEEN VISITED BY REPORTER BUT HAD REFUSED INTERVIEW. AGAIN DENIED CONTACT BY OR KNOWLEDGE OF SUBJECT WHEREABOUTS. JERRY AND JOHN GAVE NO INDICATION THEY HAD ANY SUCH KNOWLEDGE.

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RE MILFORD JAMES ROEHRS, SULLIVAN, MO. POLICEMAN. WM NETHINGTON, SULLIVAN, PRIVATE INVESTIGATOR FOR DAVIS AGENCY, CHICAGO, RELATED TO ROEHRS BY MARRIAGE, SAID ROEHRS HAS STATED KING KILLER OUT OF U.S. PROBABLY IN ARGENTINA, BUT HADN MADE NO STATEMENT THAT RAY ESCAPE PLANNED BY KLAN. BELIEVED MERELY EXPRESSION OF OPINON. DAVIS SUPERIOR, EARL HENDERSHOT, CHICAGO, SAW POSSIBILITY OF REWARD IF COULD SOLVE KING CASE THRU ROEHRS. VISITED SULLIVAN AND INTERVIEWED ROEHRS. ROEHRS INTERVIEWED BY SA ADMITTED KLAN MEMBERSHIP. DENIED KNOWLEDGE OF RAY ESCAPE OR WHEREABOUTS, OR KING MURDER. NEVER HEARD OF RAY BEFORE PUBLICITY. NO INFO RECEIVED BY HIM THRU KLAN. CONJECTURE AS TO RAY WHEREABOUTS WERE PERSONAL OPINIONS.

RE JAMES W. BROWN, FELLOW PRISONER: JOHN PAUL VELANTI WILL BE INTERVIEWED TOMORROW RE INFO FURNISHED BH BY BROWN, TO ASSIST EVALUATION OF BROWN CREDIBILITY.

BELLOW PRISONER INTERVIEWS AND RESOLUTION LOOK ALIKES CONTINUING.

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TO: DIRECTOR, MEMPHIS, CHICAGO AND JACKSON
FROM: ST. LOUIS (44-775)

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RE CHICAGO TELETYPE, MAY TEN, LAST.

RE ROBERT WAYNE PHILLIPS.

ONLY IDENTIFIABLE ST. LOUIS INDICES REFERENCE TO CARL MURPHY, JR., IS JACKSON FD THREE FIVE SIX, JULY TWENTYTWO, SIXTYFIVE, JACKSON FILE ONE THREE SEVEN - TWO FOUR SIX, REQUESTING REVIEW OF NAVY RECORD UNDER SERIAL NUMBER FOUR ONE SEVEN TWO THREE SEVEN ONE, AND ST. LOUIS REPLY AUGUST EIGHTEEN, SIXTYFIVE. PRESUME JACKSON HAS FURNISHED CHICAGO FULL INFO.

ONLY ST. LOUIS REFERENCE TO ANY ROBERT WAYNE PHILLIPS IS MEMPHIS AIRTEL FEBRUARY ELEVEN, SIXTY, ITEMS, MEMPHIS FILE TWO SIX - ONE SIX EIGHT EIGHT SIX. AGE TWENTYFOUR AT THAT

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TIME. MEMPHIS ADVISE CHICAGO ANY FURTHER IDENTIFYING DATA.

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1152 AM URGENT 5/11/68 APK

TO DIRECTOR (44-38861), ST. LOUIS AND MEMPHIS (44-1987)
FROM CHICAGO (44-1114) 1P

MURKIN. RE: ~~JERRY~~ WILLIAM RAY.

Ray
~~JERRY RECONTACTED~~ THIS DATE ADVISED THAT HE HAD DEVELOPED
NO ADDITIONAL PERTINENT INFORMATION REGARDING SUBJECT'S
WHEREABOUTS DURING VISIT TO ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI. HAS RETURNED
TO WORK AT SPORTSMANS COUNTRY CLUB, NORTHBROOK, ILLINOIS AND
IS NOW RESIDING AT THREE ONE FOUR WISCONSIN AVENUE, LAKE
FOREST, ILLINOIS. ARRANGEMENTS FOR LIVING AWAY FROM EMPLOYMENT
MADE BY CLUB MANAGER IN CONJUNCTION WITH CHICAGO OFFICE.

RAY WILL BE EXTENSIVELY REINTERVIEWED NINE AM MAY TWELVE,
NEXT.

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TO: DIRECTOR AND MEMPHIS

FROM: ST. LOUIS (44-775)

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~~RE~~ RAY RELATIVES: NO SIGNIFICANT ACTIVITY.RE JAMES W. BROWN, FELLOW PRISONER (BIRMINGHAM).

JOHN PAUL VELANTI REINTERVIEWED. REITERATED DOES NOT KNOW RAY.
DENIED CONVERSATIONS WITH, PLANING ANY ATLANTA ROBBERY, BEING
QUESTIONED RE GANSTER IN KC, RELATIVES BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA, MA,
KNOWLEDGE OF COOLEY. ADMITTED RAN POKER GAME AND LOTTERY MSP,
DEATH OF SON IN ACCIDENT SIXTYTWO, PLANNING OWN ESCAPE, AND FIGHT
WITH PRISONER RE REMARK DERROGATORY TO KENNEDY AND CATHOLICISM.
ALLEGED ROBBERY SENTENCE BUM RAP TO AVOID DISCLOSING OWN ACTUAL
WHEREABOUTS AND ASSOCIATE AT TIME. NEW ORLEANS REQUESTED TO
INTERVIEW VELANTI'S WIFE AND BIRMINGHAM ADVISED BY SEPERATE
TELETYPE.

RE ROBERT WAYNE PHILLIPS: SL FILES SHOW CARL MURPHY JR.,
PCI OF JACKSON SIXTYFIVE. JACKSON REQUESTED TO ADVISE, BY SEPERATE
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RE JUDGE JOHN C. ~~C~~ASEY: BASED ON INFO AVAILABLE TO SL, SL
INCLINED TO FAVOR SECOND METHOD SUGGESTED BY CASEY OF HANDLING
RAY MOTION BY PUBLIC COURT ORDER TO APPEAR AND PROSECUTE MOTION
OR SUFFER ITS DISMISSAL, AS BUREAU SHOULD NOT BE IN POSITION OF FAILING
TO EXPLOIT FULLY EVEN REMOTE POSSIBILITY OF LOCATING RAY. SEPERATE
TEL SENT.

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TO ATLANTA BIRMINGHAM JACKSON MEMPHIS ST LOUIS CHICAGO
FROM DIRECTOR 44-38861 1P

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RECGTEL MAY TEN LAST RE CARL MURPHY, JR.

RECORD LOCATED FOR A PERSON BY NAME OF CARL MURPHY JR.
UNDER FBI NUMBER FIVE FOUR THREE ONE SIX SEVEN B WHO
IS DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: WHITE MALE, FIVE FEET TEN
INCHES, TWO HUNDRED POUNDS, BLACK HAIR, GREEN EYES,
BORN [REDACTED], TUPELO, MISSISSIPPI. REVIEW OF
IDENTIFICATION RECORD CONTAINS NO PLACES OF INCARCERATION
IDENTICAL TO THAT OF SUBJECT RAY. IDENTIFICATION RECORD
ON MURPHY BEING FORWARDED UNDER SEPARATE COVER.

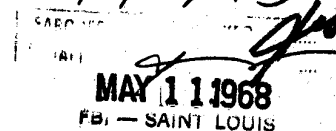
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TO: SAC, ST. LOUIS

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

SUBJECT: MURKIN
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Correspondence records, Menard State Penitentiary, Menard, Illinois, reveal the following correspondents of subject's brothers, JOHN LARRY RYAN and JERRY WILLIAM RYAN:

JOHN: RALPH HOWARD, Indianapolis Indiana
(No address given)

JERRY: PAT WITT, 3971 Westminister, St. Louis, Missouri

RUBY DOBYNS, 3971 Westminister, St. Louis, Missouri

JERRY LANCASTER, 4431 North 19th, St. Louis, Missouri

St. Louis and Indianapolis are requested to attempt to locate and interview above individuals concerning any information they might possibly have regarding subject JAMES EARL RAY.

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TO: DIRECTOR FBI (44-38861)
FROM: SAC OKLAHOMA CITY (44-686) (P)

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Re St. Louis airtel to Bureau, etal, 4/30/68; Jackson teletype to Director, etal, 4/24/68, copies of which are enclosed for Dallas.

The following investigation was conducted by SA HAROLD E. DUNCAN.

At El Reno, Oklahoma

On 5/7/68 records (card record only) of Federal Reformatory disclosed ROBERT G. BOSHERS. Inmate #26381 SW, FBI #754495C, a white male, born [redacted] at St. Louis, Missouri, was sentenced 7/2/59 in the Eastern District of Missouri to serve an indeterminate period under the Youth Corrections Act (5010b), following conviction for mail theft -- forging and uttering U. S. Check -- probation revoked. He was received at El Reno 7/13/59; paroled 4/1/61; parole violator's warrant executed 10/5/63 and BOSHERS was returned to El Reno 10/24/63, and was released 12/12/63 at the expiration of his sentence.

Inmate file for BOSHERS has been transferred to the Federal Records Center, Fort Worth, Texas.

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At Fort Worth, Texas

Will at Federal Records Center, review inmate file for ROBERT G. BOSHERS (Federal Reformatory, El Reno, Oklahoma, #26381SW, FRC #304,628), for information requested of Detroit, Kansas City, and Oklahoma City Divisions in re St. Louis airtel.

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326PM URGENT 5-12-68 TAB

TO: DIRECTOR (44-38861) MEMPHIS (44-1987) ST. LOUIS, KANSAS CITY

FROM: CHICAGO (44-1114)

MURKIN.

RE CHICAGO TEL MAY ELEVEN LAST.

RE BROTHER JERRY WILLIAM RAY. REINTERVIEWED IN DEPTH THIS DATE.

STATES NEW PHOTO OF SUBJECT IN BUSINESS SUIT IS GOOD LIKENESS
EXCEPT SUBJECT FULLER IN FACE THAN JERRY HAS EVER SEEN HIM.

STATES BROTHER JOHN RAY DROVE HERE IN SIXTY ONE PLYMOUTH
DURING JUNE OR JULY LAST WHEN JERRY LIVING TECHNY ROAD,
NORTHBROOK, ILLINOIS. JERRY'S EX-WIFE DID NOT MEET HIM AT
THAT TIME BUT HAD MET JOHN PREVIOUSLY CHRISTMAS LAST IN
ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI. JOHN AND JERRY SWITCHED CARS, JOHN
LEAVING IN SIXTY TWO RAMBLER. BOTH CARS NOW AT FATHER'S
FARM, CENTER, MISSOURI. AT THAT TIME JOHN GAVE NO INDICATION
OF BEING AWARE SUBJECTS WHEREABOUTS.

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IN PREVIOUS INTERVIEWS, JERRY STATES SUBJECT ONLY SENT HIM FIFTY DOLLARS FROM PRISON. CONFRONTED WITH DETAILED LIST OF FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS OF SUBJECT FROM PRISON INDICATING TWO HUNDRED SIXTY SIX DOLLARS SENT. JERRY STATES MUST BE IN ERROR SINCE ONLY AMOUNT HE RECOGNIZES IS FIFTY FIVE DOLLARS TWENTY FIVE CENTS SENT TO HIM JUNE TWENTY TWO, SIXTY FOUR, WHEN HE WAS IN ST. LOUIS AND NEEDED MONEY TO RETURN TO CHICAGO. SUGGESTS MONEY LISTED TO HIM WAS INSTEAD PAID TO BROTHER'S ATTORNEY, NAME UNKNOWN, JEFFERSON CITY, MISSOURI.

JERRY FURNISHED ITINERARY WHILE LAST IN ST. LOUIS STATES BOTH JOHN AND CAROL STILL BELIEVE SUBJECT VICTIM OF FRAME-UP OR USED AS "FALL GUY". ALL BASED ON INFO FROM NEWSPAPER ARTICLES. STILL NO INDICATION FROM THEM OF ANY INFO RE SUBJECT'S WHEREABOUTS SINCE ESCAPE.

STATES NEVER HEARD OF "COOLIES" NOR EVER HEARD BROTHER MENTION. NOW RECALLS BROTHER FRIENDLY WITH (FNU) MENARD BROTHERS WHILE IN JEFFERSON CITY PRISON.

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JERRY NOW RESIDING APARTMENT FOURTEEN, THREE ONE FOUR WISCONSIN AVENUE, LAKE FOREST, ILLINOIS. NO PHONE. NEAREST PHONE FOUR BLOCKS AWAY. CONTINUES EMPLOYMENT AT SPORTSMAN'S COUNTRY CLUB. WILL CONTACT CASE AGENT DAILY. COVERAGE CONTINUING. PROFESSES COOPERATION.

KANSAS CITY, IF NOT ALREADY DONE, IDENTIFY SUBJECT'S ATTORNEY, JEFFERSON CITY, MISSOURI, AND INTERVIEW APPROPRIATELY.

MAKE EFFORTS TO IDENTIFY MENARD BROTHERS AND SET OUT LEADS TO INTERVIEW.

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TO DIRECTOR AND MEMPHIS

FROM ST. LOUIS (44-775)

MURKIN - SUMMARY

RE JOHN PAUL VELANTI - JAMES W. BROWN, FELLOW PRISONERS.

VELANTI REINTERVIEWED. RECALLS JIMMIE RAY AND BROTHER LARRY. RAY

BOTH INMATES MSP, DIFFERENT DESCRIPTION THAN SUBJECT. TRUE SPELLING OF NAME OF VELANTI'S EXWIFE, EMPLOYMENT AND MEMBERSHIP ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS OBTAINED. INTERESTED OFFICES ADVISED BY SEPARATE TELETYPE. VELANTI ASSOCIATE, JAMES H. CARPENTER, FORMER MSP INMATE KNEW SUBJECT WELL IN PRISON. CLAIMED SAW RAY THREE TIMES BETWEEN MAY TENTH AND SEVENTEENTH, SIXTYSEVEN, SUBSEQUENT TO ESCAPE, IN VICINITY SOUTH ELEVENTH ST. SL. NOTE THIS IS AREA OF JOHN GAWRON RESIDENCE. RAY

44-775-511
POORLY DRESSED. HAD MOUSTACHE. BORROWED TEN DOLLARS. SAID NEEDED GUN. CARPENTER IMPRESSION HE WAS GOING TO ILLINOIS. NOT SEEN SINCE.

NO PERTINENT DEVELOPMENTS IN OTHER PHASES OF INVESTIGATION TODAY.
SUBJECT ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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