

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, Albany

DATE: May 20, 1968

JS FROM : Director, FBI

SUBJECT: MURKIN
PUBLICITY ON REWARDS OFFERED

Each Special Agent in Charge and Legal Attache is instructed to promptly remind their established cooperative news sources, in a discreet and tactful manner, of the existence of substantial reward money for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the killer of Dr. Martin Luther King. This money now totals at least \$100,000. The FBI should not, however, be publicized as the source of this reminder.

While the Bureau's continuing policy is to encourage the public to furnish information to law enforcement authorities as a matter of good citizenship, without expectation of financial reward, it is fully recognized that monetary rewards are often necessary to motivate some individuals. The knowledge of the existence of the substantial rewards available in the Murkin case could possibly prove of value in the solution of this major investigation.

1 - Copies to all Special Agents in Charge and Legats

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By THOMAS TALBURT

Scripps-Howard Staff Writer

WASHINGTON, May 21 — On a carefully marked city map found in a hippie-inhabited boarding house in Atlanta, FBI agents found a thumbprint that enabled them positively to identify the suspected slayer of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

They found the map April 14—10 days after Dr. King was murdered in Memphis. Since then the trail of the suspect, James Earl Ray, has dead-ended.

Although thousands of tips have been tracked down by agents in the FBI's 6600-man force with no success since the map was found, federal officials do not subscribe to the theory that Ray may be dead—the victim of someone who hired him to kill Dr. King.

"We have no indication he is dead," said an official. "We figure he is alive—somewhere."

Map of Atlanta

On the city map of Atlanta which bore Ray's thumbprint, four key locations had been circled in pencil—Dr. King's Atlan-

ta residence, the office of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference which he headed, the boarding house where the map was found, and the parking lot where Ray abandoned a white Mustang the morning after Dr. King was killed.

The FBI believes Ray drove the Mustang to Atlanta during the night after the murder, abandoned the car about dawn the next day, took two taxi rides to locations near Peachtree st.—and then vanished.

Agents found the abandoned car April 11. It bore license tags issued to Eric Starvo Galt—a name the FBI said Ray used to mask his true identity.

Two days later, agents combing Atlanta for the mysterious "Galt" got a tip that he had previously rented a room at a boarding house known to be a popular hangout for hippies.

Flown to FBI Lab

They immediately staked out the rooming house and early the next day went to the room where they had been told "Galt" might be found.

There they found a TV set they later learned "Galt" had obtained in a trade with a girl friend in Los Angeles and the map bearing the thumbprint. Whether "Galt" had used the room after Dr. King's death is not known.

The map with the thumbprint was flown to FBI laboratories here. After a painstaking, round-the-clock search of the fingerprints of 53,000 wanted criminals on file here, lab technicians hit paydirt on April 19.

By matching the thumbprint on the map to one in their files they determined that Eric Starvo Galt was really James Earl Ray, an habitual criminal who had escaped from the Missouri State Penitentiary on April 23, 1967. Galt was only one of several aliases he had used.

After the thumbprint found in Atlanta was matched to Ray's thumbprint here, the FBI also was able to match up other partial prints Ray had left on the white mustang and on the rifle from which a single shot was fired at Dr. King.

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

26 The Rocky Mountain News

Date: May 22, 1968
Edition: Home Final
Author: Thomas Talburt
Editor: Jack Foster
Title:

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Ray's Thumbprint Is Positive Link

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT
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TO: ALL PERSONNEL
FROM: SAC, DENVER (157-203)
SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 5/22/68

Please remember to furnish the number of man-hours you have spent on this case, total mileage, and any unusual costs, to the Agent handling the case, by close of business, 5/31/68. The man-hours should be broken down as to regular hours and overtime hours.

These same instructions will apply to the last day of each month until such time as the Bureau cancels them.

Please specify whether or not previously submitted May time is included on routing slip submitted at last of month.

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Airtel

To: SACs, Savannah
Denver (157-203)

From: Director, FBI (44-38861)

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Date 5-22-68

RE: MURKIN
PUBLICITY ON REWARDS OFFERED

☐ For information ☐ Retention optional ☐ For appropriate action

☐ The enclosed is for your information. If used in a future report, ☐ conceal all sources, ☐ paraphrase contents.

☐ Enclosed are corrected pages from report of SA dated _____

Remarks: ReBulet 5-20-68.

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In the event of inquiries regarding the identity of the sources of the reward money offered in the Murkin case, you may confidentially advise established sources that according to a compilation set forth in the April 27th edition of the "Commercial Appeal," Memphis, Tennessee, \$25,000 each has been offered by the "Commercial Appeal" and Scripps-Howard newspapers and that in addition, businessmen and citizens in Memphis have offered several thousands more and the Memphis City Council has underwritten the reward up to a total of \$100,000.

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DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

5/23/68

SAC, DENVER (105-203)

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On 5/22/68, JOHN WESLEY MEWBOURNE, inmate #37548, Colorado State Penitentiary, Canon City, Colorado, was interviewed by SA WALLACE G. HAGUE at the request of MEWBOURNE.

MEWBOURNE, who has FBI #470625 A, stated he desired an interview inasmuch as he was acquainted with JAMES EARL RAY as an inmate of the U. S. Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kansas, during 1955. He stated he is of the opinion RAY was hired by members of the Ku Klux Klan and was killed by Klan members after the shooting of MARTIN LUTHER KING.

MEWBOURNE advised he is from Birmingham, Alabama, and in view of the fact he has been a criminal most of his life is acquainted with most bootleggers, criminals and Klan members in the Alabama, Georgia and Mississippi areas. He stated he will be transferred to the U. S. Penitentiary at Atlanta, Georgia, in approximately two months to serve the remainder of his sentence, and upon his release in about one year plans to locate the body of RAY, which he feels he can accomplish in approximately three weeks. He stated the only reason he is furnishing the above information is the fact he is certain RAY is dead and if not dead would furnish no information concerning RAY. He stated his only contact with RAY was at Leavenworth and he knows nothing concerning RAY's habits, associates, hangouts or possible whereabouts.

The above information is being furnished in the event the name of MEWBOURNE should come to the attention of the Bureau in the future.

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TO DIRECTOR AND LITTLE ROCK
FROM DENVER 157-203 4P

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RE TELCALL TO LITTLE ROCK THIS DATE.

ON MAY TWENTYTHIRD INSTANT, REX HARDY BASINGER,
ONE FOUR ONE SIX DOWNING, APARTMENT TWO, DENVER, ADVISED
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SA BOYD D. ADSIT talked with Relief Supervisor DICK
O'CONNELL, Little Rock Office, on 5/23/68.

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5:11AM URGENT 5/23/68 EJP

TO: DENVER

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM: SAC, SAN ANTONIO (44-1242) (P)

RE: MURKIN
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Re Butel, 4/25/68, to El Paso, Houston and San Antonio, advising that each office should determine from telephone company the long-distance calls placed at each public telephone on Highway 90 and Interstate Highway 10 over which subject and CHARLES STEIN allegedly traveled 12/15-17/67. Subject reportedly made eight long-distance telephone calls while in Texas.

Set forth by field divisions are some of the telephone calls made from the San Antonio Division, 12/15-17/67, which were obtained from available Southwestern Bell Telephone Company records. The various field division will determine from the subscriber or person receiving the call, the identity of the caller. If the caller was JAMES EARL RAY, aka, obtain

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2-Albuquerque	2-Memphis (44-1987)
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2-Baltimore	3-New York
2-Chicago	2-Oklahoma City
3-Dallas	2-Omaha
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all available information. Further, determine if the subscriber or the person receiving the call has any knowledge of JAMES EARL RAY.

REQUEST OF THE BUREAU

The Bureau is requested to furnish Legat, Mexico City two copies of this airtel and set forth the same lead for Legat, Mexico as set forth for the other recipient offices listed above.

<u>DATE</u>	<u>CALLING NUMBER</u>	<u>CALLED NUMBER</u>	<u>PLACE AND/OR PERSON CALLED</u>
<u>LEGAT, MEXICO</u>			
12/16/67	223-8252	1227	Sabinas, Coahuila, Mexico
12/17/67	278-9068	1250	Rosita, Coahuila, Mexico
12/15/67	223-7920	427056	Records show to "Lerdo, Mex." Place "Monty"
12/16/67	223-8252	427056	Monterrey, Mexico
12/17/67	223-8252	468515	Mexico City
<u>ALBUQUERQUE</u>			
12/16/67	563-9704	505-877-9947	To JENNY SHOUP
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12/16/67	278-9194	214-351-6970	
12/15/67	223-8148	214-374-6379	
12/15/67	278-9041	214-465-0015	
12/15/67	278-9086	214-748-5851	
12/17/67	278-9194	806-362-7797	
12/16/67	278-9030	806-364-0709	
12/16/67	278-9066	806-364-4789	
12/15/67	223-0300	806-373-1108	
12/15/67	223-7271	806-385-5322	
12/17/67	278-9068	806-765-5963	
<u>DENVER</u>			
12/17/67	379-9059	303-641-1586	Gunnison, Colorado
<u>DETROIT</u>			
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12/17/67	379-9925	219-456-2832	Fort Wayne, Indiana

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<u>JACKSONVILLE</u>			
12/17/67	875-9055	904-433-1459	Pensacola, Fla.
<u>KANSAS CITY</u>			
12/15/67	674-9761	913-539-4300	
<u>LITTLE ROCK</u>			
12/16/67	223-7271	501-375-6561	
12/16/67	432-9005	501-624-4536	VELMA THOMPSON
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12/17/67	223-7271	213-663-3675	
12/16/67	379-9092	714-540-7240	Santa Ana, Calif.
<u>MEMPHIS</u>			
12/15/67	223-8080	901-947-1819	Memphis, to RUBY SIMONS or SIMORS
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12/16/67	379-9059	914-343-3240	Middletown, N.Y.
<u>OKLAHOMA CITY</u>			
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<u>OMAHA</u>			
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<u>SAN FRANCISCO</u>			
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM: SAC, SAN ANTONIO (44-1242) (P)

RE: MURKIN ✓
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Re Butel, 4/25/68, to El Paso, Houston and San Antonio, advising that each office should determine from telephone company the long-distance calls placed at each public telephone on Highway 90 and Interstate Highway 10 over which subject and CHARLES STEIN allegedly traveled 12/15-17/67. Subject reportedly made eight long-distance telephone calls while in Texas.

Set forth by field divisions are some of the telephone calls made from the San Antonio Division, 12/15-17/67, which were obtained from available Southwestern Bell Telephone Company records. The various field division will determine from the subscriber or person receiving the call, the identity of the caller. If the caller was JAMES EARL RAY, aka, obtain

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2-Atlanta	2-New Haven
2-Baltimore	3-New York
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2-Dallas	2-Omaha
2-Denver	2-Pittsburgh
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all available information. Further, determine if the subscriber or the person receiving the call has any knowledge of JAMES EARL RAY.

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The Bureau is requested to furnish Legat, Mexico City two copies of this airtel and set forth the same lead for Legat, Mexico as set forth for the other recipient offices listed above.

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<u>LEGAT, MEXICO</u>			
12/16/67	223-8252	1227	Sabinas, Coahuila, Mexico
12/17/67	278-9068	1250	Rosita, Coahuila, Mexico
12/15/67	223-7920	427056	Records show to "Lerdo, Mex." Place "Monty"
12/16/67	223-8252	427056	Monterrey, Mexico
12/17/67	223-8252	468515	Mexico City
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SAC, DENVER (157-203)

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SA THOMAS H. WISEMAN

MURKIN

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Memorandum

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC DENVER

DATE: 5-23-68

FROM : sa THOMAS H. WISEMAN

SUBJECT: MURKIN (157-203)

Re my memorandum to SAC Denver 5-22-68.

(Helen)
Mrs. HOMER LANE BIGELOW, 4331 E. Mexico St., Denver, Colorado, furnished the following information instant date:

She stated that several months ago, exact date not recalled, she met an individual by the name of BOB BYRNE, 1234 Clarkson St., Denver, Colorado, telephone 534-2074. She advised that she met him through a former neighbor, Kathryn RAHEL, who now resides at 624 Ogden St., Denver, Colo. She advised that she started seeing BYRNE regularly and became quite close to him. She stated that he told her that he was in some type of organized crime syndicate and admitted to her that he has killed several men in the past; however he no longer does this and is now an arranger of killings.

Not in service of the case
She stated that in the first of December, 1967, she and BYRNE went to Acapulco, Mexico. The purpose of this trip for BYRNE was to attend several meetings to plan a killing. BYRNE would not elaborate further on this and commented that this "job" would make every headline in the country. She stated that while in Mexico, they stayed in a house in Las Braisis, Mexico, ~~owned by~~ Cosa Josette who resides in Mexico City, and rented for the trip to HAL HALE, a wealthy oil investor from Los Angeles, who can be reached occasionally in Denver at a house in the 500 Block of Gilpin St. telephone 322-7080. She advised that some other individual stayed in this house most of the time and would know where to locate HALE. She stated that these meetings in Acapulco, Mexico were held on the Ultimer II, a large yacht which was anchored off shore at a U. S. Naval Base in Acapulco. She advised that this yacht is owned by CHARLES REVESON, owner of the Revlon Cosmetic Company.

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Mrs. BIGALOW advised that these meetings were attended by several individuals, names not recalled by her; however CHARLES REVESON and HAL HALE were in attendance at these meetings, and another individual by the name of RAY was also there.

She stated that these meetings lasted for about the first week in January of 1968 and then she and BYRNE spent several days there vacationing and then returned to Denver. She stated that after they returned to Denver, BYRNE advised her that these men are going to make him "pull a job" that he does not want to do. She stated that they were forcing him to do this by threatening her and her three children, ages 18, 16, and 13. She stated that BYRNE talked to her constantly about this job from that time until the 9th of March, when he left Denver and went to Lubbock, Texas, where he stayed with his sister-in-law, Genevieve BYRNE, 24704 29th Street, telephone SW 21182. She stated that before he left, he told her that she would read about the job which he had to do in the papers in 2 or 3 weeks. She stated that she talked with him occasionally at telephone number SW 21182; however never saw him again until approximately two weeks ago when he returned to her residence and told her that the job had been done, and admitted to her that he had actually arranged and planned the killing of Dr. Martin Luther King. He told her that RAY was still alive and was now in Mexico.

Upon returning to Denver, he told Mrs. BIGALOW that he was planning to marry his sister-in-law in Texas. Mrs. BIGALOW advised that after learning of this, she decided to call the FBI.

She advised that approximately one hour after she called the FBI on 5-22-68, she received a call from JAMES HYER, 9226 E. Lehigh Street, Denver, Phone 771-2411, a Denver Attorney who is an associate of BYRNE through their syndicate operations.

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HYER stated that it is very important that he get in touch with BYRNE and if she could locate him, to give him this message "~~spree~~ teacup". He advised her that BYRNE would understand what it meant.

She advised that at approximately 6:30 p. m. 5-22-68, BYRNE telephonically contacted her and she gave him the message. She stated that he was panic stricken, immediately terminated the call and she has not seen or heard from since that time.

She stated that HYER probably found out about her calling the FBI through a "bug" because one has been used in her apartment in the past and was removed by BYRNE.

Mrs. BIGALOW furnished the attached photograph of BYRNE which was taken on their recent trip to Mexico. She stated that several photographs were taken of the yacht with RAY and the others standing on the deck; however when the pictures were returned to her from being developed, these were missing.

She advised that BYRNE had no apparent source of income; however always seemed to have a small amount of money with him. She stated that she believes that he receives some money from Kathryn RAHEL. She stated that on several occasions, she has offered him money, but he refused it.

She advised that BYRNE has a former wife here in Denver, LYNN (Mrs. James Robb) who lives in the Green Mt. area and is presently bringing legal proceedings against BYRNE as a result of their divorce.

*She further advised that Byrne sometimes stays with
Bernice Paulsen, 1010 Clarkson St. Denver.*

*Mrs. Bigelow advised that she was agreeable to a
subsequent interview because of the limited time of this
initial interview.*

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FBI DENVER

656PM URGENT 5-23-68 JSS

TO DIRECTOR 44-38861 AND LITTLE ROCK
FROM DENVER 157-203 2P

MURKIN

REMYTEL AND LITTLE ROCK TELETYPE TO DENVER INSTANT DATE.

LITTLE ROCK ADVISED INTERVIEW OF THOMPSONS AT OLD SOUTH
RESTAURANT, FORT SMITH, ARKANSAS, REVEALED THEY DO NOT KNOW EDGAR
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BASINGER AND FOUND PROBABLE PSYCHOSIS AND POSSIBLE BRAIN SYNDROME.

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SHERIFF'S OFFICE, NEGATIVE REGARDING BRADLEY. FILES OF DENVER
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BUREAU REQUESTED TO ADVISE WHETHER BUREAU FILES CONTAIN ANY
INFORMATION REGARDING THIS BRADLEY.

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DETERMINE WHEREABOUTS OF BRADLEY.

DENVER STILL INTERESTED IN CHECKING TELEPHONE RECORDS OF
BASINGER'S TELEPHONE FOR ALLEGED CALL FROM BRADLEY WHILE IN TULSA.

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FROM: DENVER (157-203) 2p

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Date: **May 21, 1968**Transmit the following in _____
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To: All SACs
LEGATS, Mexico City
Ottawa

[Signature]
From: Director, FBI (44-38861)

MURKIN

For your information and investigative assistance, subject James Earl Ray has been known to consort with prostitutes and "street bums." A photograph of subject was obtained from a prostitute in Mexico. This photograph showing subject wearing sunglasses was previously forwarded to your office.

This should be borne in mind in your daily contact with informants, officers of vice squads and prostitutes in covering leads in connection with this and other cases.

Armed and dangerous.

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MEMORANDUM

TO: ALL AGENTS (157-203)

DATE: 5/23/68

FROM: SAC

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SAC (157-203)

5/24/68

SA ELMER A. SAMSON

MURKIN

RE: DMV Check

SA ROY I. MISCHKE on May 24, 1968, advised that during a check of Colorado driver's licenses at the Department of Motor Vehicles, Denver, Colorado, the following individual could not be eliminated through a fingerprint check inasmuch as the fingerprint on the driver's license application was smudged:

FRANCIS SYLVESTER STULL, JR.
528 White Avenue
Grand Junction, Colorado
Employed by Corder Distributing Company, South 7th
Street, Grand Junction.

This individual is described as white, born [redacted] 5'10" tall, 165 pounds, blue eyes, blond hair. He previously had a California driver's license which was issued in 1967.

SA MISCHKE advised this individual can be eliminated by a comparison of the left index finger.

The above information was furnished to SA RAY M. HICKMAN at 3:20 p.m., May 24, 1968. SA HICKMAN was then at Fruita, Colorado, but will be returning to Grand Junction today.

LEAD:

DENVER:

At Grand Junction, Colorado: Conduct sufficient investigation to determine whether or not STULL is identical with JAMES EARL RAY.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC (157-203)

DATE: 5/24/68

FROM : SA ELMER A. SAMSON

SUBJECT: MURKIN

RE: DMV Check

SA ROY I. MISCHKE on May 24, 1968, advised that during a check of Colorado driver's licenses at the Department of Motor Vehicles, Denver, Colorado, the following individual could not be eliminated through a fingerprint check inasmuch as the fingerprint on the driver's license application was smudged:

FRANCIS SYLVESTER STULL, JR.
528 White Avenue
Grand Junction, Colorado
Employed by Corder Distributing Company, South 7th
Street, Grand Junction.

This individual is described as white, born [redacted] 5'10" tall, 165 pounds, blue eyes, blond hair. He previously had a California driver's license which was issued in 1967.

SA MISCHKE advised this individual can be eliminated by a comparison of the left index finger.

The above information was furnished to SA RAY M. HICKMAN at 3:20 p.m., May 24, 1968. SA HICKMAN was then at Fruita, Colorado, but will be returning to Grand Junction today.

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FROM OKLAHOMA CITY 44-686-

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TO : SAC (157-203)

DATE: 5/23/68

FROM : SA CHARLIE E. GUNTER, Jr.

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Rememo 5/16/68.

Wanted Flyers and current photographs of JAMES EARL RAY furnished to Police Department and Sheriff's Office, Casper, Wyo. on 5/17/68, with request that they be displayed to witnesses in any major armed robbery during period 4/23/67 and 4/4/68. Photographs furnished to Asst. COP CON DALGARNO, and Undersheriff GEORGE BORDEN.

On 5/20/68, Sheriff JAMES CALDWELL, Converse County, and COP ROBERT AINSLIE, Douglas PD, advised that they had no unsolved armed robberies during the pertinent period.

On 5/22/68, Sheriff HAROLD ROGERS and COP HENRY LEWIS, Lusk, Wyo. PD advised that they had no unsolved armed robberies during the pertinent period.

On 5/23/68, photographs were exhibited to EILEEN McCARREL, Texaco Employees Casper Federal Credit Union, and she was unable to make an identification.

This is the only unsolved BR or BB in territory assigned to this SA.

SA MALONEY will submit memo regarding contacts in his territory in this matter.

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