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TO ALL SACS

FROM DIRECTOR 1P

ASSASSINATION OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., RACIAL MATTERS.

IN VIEW OF POSSIBILITY OF RETALIATORY MEASURES TAKEN
AS RESULT OF THE ASSASSINATION OF KING, IMMEDIATELY ALERT
ALL SOURCES (RACIAL, SECURITY, AND CRIMINAL), WHO ARE IN
POSITION TO POSSIBLY LEARN OF INFORMATION OF THIS NATURE.

ANY PERTINENT INFORMATION DEVELOPED SHOULD RECEIVE EXPEDITIOUS
DISSEMINATION, BOTH LOCALLY AND TO BUREAU.

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4/4/68 10²⁴P JF*

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TO DIRECTOR, JACKSON AND MEMPHIS
FROM MIAMI (~~100-15079~~)

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MATTERS.

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BOB MC GOWAN (BFFILE ONE SEVEN ZERO DASH ONE ZERO FIVE
EIGHT) TELEPHONE SIX TWO FOUR DASH TWO SEVEN SIX ZERO, CLARKSDALE,
MISS., TELEPHONICALLY ADVISED SA EUGENE L. PAYNE, FT. LAUDERDALE,
FLA., THIS DATE, THAT DURING AFTERNOON FOUR THREE LAST AT CORNER
OF BROOKS AVENUE AND HIGHWAY SIX ONE, MEMPHIS, TENN., HE OVERHEARD
THREE WHITE MALES IN EARLY TWENTIES, DISCUSSING KING AND PLANS
TO BURN OR BLOW UP KING'S CHURCH. ONLY PARTIAL CONVERSATION
OVERHEARD WHILE MCGOWAN WAS HAVING AUTO SERVICED. MCGOWAN HAS
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RESIDENCE, OBTAIN DETAILS AND ADVISE MEMPHIS OF PERTINENT
INFORMATION.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, MIAMI

DATE: 4/4/68

FROM : SA JOHN F. HANLON, JR.

ASSASSINATION

SUBJECT: ~~ASSASSINATION~~ OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
RACIAL MATTERS

SA COLTON, Fort Lauderdale RA advised that all major PD's in Broward County were alerted and requested to contact us should anyting ~~come~~ up relatiedie to captioned matter.

COLTON related that he had learned that at 8:45PM, this date Pompano Beach PD received anonymous call from individual who said "You got KING now we ~~ikre~~ are going to get you."

Above being submitted for info.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, MIAMI
SUBJECT: ASSASSINATION OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
RACIAL MATTERS

Re Miami teletype 4/5/68.

Enclosed for the Bureau are eleven (11) copies and for Atlanta one (1) copy of an LHM concerning a Negro student protest at Miami Dade Junior College in instant matter.

Professor CHARLES B. SCHILDECKER furnished the information to SA RAYMOND L. O'KELLY.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, MIAMI

ASSASSINATION OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., RACIAL MATTERS.

ON APRIL FIVE, NINETEEN SIXTY EIGHT, PROFESSOR CHARLES B. SCHILDECKER, CHAIRMAN, POLICE SCIENCE DEPARTMENT, MIAMI DADE JUNIOR COLLEGE NORTH, MIAMI, FLORIDA, ADVISED THAT AT ABOUT TEN AM THIS DATE, A GROUP OF APPROXIMATELY ONE HUNDRED NEGROES STAGED A "SIT-DOWN" IN THE AREA OF THE STUDENT CENTER LOUNGE RESERVED FOR THE FRATERNITIES. APPROXIMATELY SIX OR SEVEN NEGROES THEN STOOD UP AND MADE SPEECHES DEPLORING THE ASSASSINATION OF KING AND BLAMING WHITE PEOPLE WHOM THEY CALLED "CHARLIES" FOR CAUSING THIS TRAGEDY. APPROXIMATELY TWO HUNDRED WHITE STUDENTS GATHERED AROUND AND WHEN IT APPEARED TEMPER'S WERE RISING, COLLEGE VICE PRESIDENT AMBROSE GARNER MADE AN APPEARANCE. HE SPOKE ABOUT KING'S DEATH BEING A GREAT LOSS TO THE COUNTRY, POINTED OUT THE OPEN DOOR POLICY OF THE COLLEGE REGARDING THE RACES, AND ASKED EVERYONE TO STAND AND BOW THEIR HEADS IN SILENT PRAYER. ALL THE STUDENTS COMPLIED AND AFTERWARD RETURNED

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TO THEIR CLASSES.

FOLLOWING AGENCIES ADVISED: INTELLIGENCE UNIT,
DADE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, U. S. SECRET
SERVICE AND ONE HUNDRED ELEVENTH M. I. GROUP ADVISED.
LHM FOLLOWS.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, MIAMI

ASSASSINATION OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., RACIAL MATTER.

ON APRIL FIVE, NINETEEN SIXTY EIGHT, A CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE, WHO HOLDS A LEADERSHIP POSITION IN MIAMI COMMUNIST PARTY, ADVISED A MEETING OF NEWLY FORMED COORDINATING COMMITTEE OF MIAMI CP WAS HELD ON EVENING OF APRIL FOUR, NINETEEN SIXTY EIGHT. THIS MEETING WAS ATTENDED BY LEADERS OF MIAMI CP. AT INCEPTION OF MEETING, GROUP DISCUSSED THE ASSASSINATION OF DR. KING AND EVERYONE WAS SHOCKED.

GROUP TOGETHER DECIDED TO HAVE ALL CP MEMBERS IN MIAMI MAKE CONTACT WITH PEACE GROUPS, SENIOR CITIZEN GROUPS, AND CONFERENCE OF CONCERNED DEMOCRATS, A PRO^{SENATOR} EUGENE MCCARTHY ORGANIZATION, TO PROTEST KING'S DEATH. THEY ARE TO ENCOURAGE THESE GROUPS TO CALL FOR MARTIAL LAW IN TENNESSEE UNTIL MURDERER OR MURDERERS ARE FOUND. THEY ARE TO ENCOURAGE MASS MEMORIAL MEETING FOR KING, MASS MARCHES FOR HIM AND ARE TO URGE ALL PERSONS INVOLVED IN PROTESTS TO WEAR BLACK BANDS IN MOURNING FOR HIM.

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SOURCE STATED THAT BOTH HE AND MM ONE ZERO SEVEN
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MADE ABOVE WAS PRIMARILY THAT OF ALL PERSONS AT THE
MEETING.

SECRET SERVICE, ONE HUNDRED ELVENTH M. I. GROUP,
DADE COUNTY PUBLIC SAFETY DEPARTMENT AND MIAMI PD ADVISED.

LHM follows.



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Miami, Florida
April 5, 1968

In Reply, Please Refer to
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ASSASSINATION OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
RACIAL MATTERS

On April 4, 1968, a confidential source, who holds a leadership position in the Miami Communist Party, advised that a meeting of the newly formed Coordinating Committee of the Miami Communist Party was held on the evening of April 4, 1968. This meeting was attended by leaders of the Miami Communist Party. At the inception of this meeting, the group discussed the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and everyone was shocked.

The group together decided to have all Communist Party members in Miami make contact with peace groups, senior citizen groups, and the Conference of Concerned Democrats, a pro-Senator Eugene McCarthy organization, to protest King's death. They are to encourage these groups to call for martial law in Tennessee until the murderer or murderers are found. They are to encourage a mass memorial meeting for King, mass marches for him, and are to urge all persons involved in protests to wear black bands in mourning for him.

The following were advised of the above information on April 5, 1968: 111th M. I. Group, Miami; U. S. Secret Service, Miami; U. S. Attorney, Southern District of Florida; Miami Police Department; and Dade County Department of Public Safety.

Copies of this memorandum are being furnished to the 111th M. I. Group, Orlando, Florida; U. S. Secret Service, Miami, Florida; and the U. S. Attorney, Southern District of Florida.

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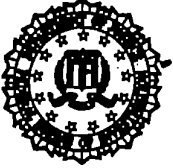
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**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
Miami, Florida
April 5, 1968**

**Title ASSASSINATION OF MARTIN LUTHER
 KING, JR.**

Character RACIAL MATTERS

**Reference Memorandum, dated and captioned
 as above, at Miami, Florida**

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

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United States Department of Justice
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Miami, Florida
April 5, 1968

- 1 - 111th M. I. Group, Orlando
- 1 - Secret Service, Miami
- 1 - U. S. Attorney, Miami

RE: ASSASSINATION OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR
RACIAL MATTERS

Dear Sir:

For your information, I am enclosing communications
which may be of interest to you.

Very truly yours,

F. A. Frohose

F. A. FROHOSE
Special Agent in Charge

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, MIAMI
SUBJECT: ASSASSINATION OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
RACIAL MATTERS

Re Miami teletype 4/5/68.

Enclosed for the Bureau are eleven (11) copies of an LHM in captioned matter.

The confidential source is MM 1235-S.

The LHM is classified CONFIDENTIAL to further protect a confidential source of continuing value, the disclosure of whose identity would be detrimental to the national defense.

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To: SAC, Albany

From: *JNF* Director, FBIASSASSINATION OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
RACIAL MATTERS

Many offices are using above caption in communications to the Bureau concerning a variety of activities and racial incidents arising out of the killing of Martin Luther King, Jr. This is creating problems from administrative and filing standpoints and should be discontinued immediately. Captions descriptive of the activity involved should be used in accordance with instructions in the FBI Handbook, page 154h of Part III.

For example, in reporting information concerning disturbances that may have occurred in Albany the caption "Racial Disturbances Following Assassination of Martin Luther King, Jr., Albany, New York, April 9, 1968, Racial Matters" could be used.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, MIAMI (44-1854) (P)

DATE: 4/10/68

FROM : CYRUS T. FALLS, JR.

SUBJECT: MURKIN
CIVIL RIGHTS
(OO: Memphis)

At 3:54 pm, this date, KATHRIN HOBSON, Pittsburgh Plate Glass Company, 17851 NW Miami Court, Miami, Florida, 625-0491, (Residence 525 East 14th Street, Hialeah, Florida, 888-4253), telephonically advised the Miami Office she had ordered some stationary from A. L. GARNER Company Printers, Ashland, Ohio through the Pittsburgh Plate Company and it had arrived this morning postmarked 4/5/68.

MRS HOBSON related she had opened the outer package and removed one inner package and started to remove the second package when she observed a 3 inch long by 1/2 inch wide white piece of scratch paper, which had been ripped from a "package copy." She stated someone had printed in pencil the following "Dr. Rev. Martin L. King will be dead by 4/4/68."

She stated the package and paper was contained in shipment #52360. She advised she was the only one in the office who was aware of the note.

MRS HOBSON was instructed to place the packages and note in a safe area and an agent would be sent out to interview her at Pittsburgh Plate Glass Company. She advised she would do so and would not converse with her fellow employees about the note.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, MIAMI (~~137~~)

DATE: 6/28/76

FROM : SA DONALD E. WERTZ

SUBJECT: *see attach - lip*
PROBE OF JOHN F. KENNEDY
AND MARTIN LUTHER KING
ASSASSINATIONS

On 6/25/76, GEORGE BRACKETT, friend of retired SA GAY SHAHAN, advised telephonically that he had been contacted on several occasions by DAN CHRISTENSEN, a reporter for the "Miami Magazine", 3361 S. W. 3rd Ave., Miami, Fla., who desired to question BRACKETT concerning the activities of one WILLIAM SUMMERSET, alleged FBI informant. CHRISTENSEN told BRACKETT he was investigating the assassinations of JOHN F. KENNEDY and MARTIN LUTHER KING.

BRACKETT advised he is general manager for Hecker Electric Co., Hialeah, Florida, telephone 888-3205, and located 10430 N. W. 36th Court, Miami, telephone 836-4828. He was a friend of WILLIE SUMMERSET, who has been dead for 7 or 8 years. He intends to see CHRISTENSEN, but has no knowledge of SUMMERSET's activities that he feels would bear on this matter. His purpose in calling was to notify the FBI that such an investigation was being conducted.

Indices check reflect SUMMERSET was informant, 137-363-231. SHAHAN has moved to Virginia, but his son, PHIL SHAHAN, works at Central Bank of North Dade.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (62-117290)
FROM: SAC, MIAMI (62-6603) (C)
SUBJECT: HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE
ON ASSASSINATIONS;
BUREAU DEADLINE 9/23/77

Re Bureau teletype to Miami dated 8/18/77; Miami airtel to the Bureau dated 8/3/76.

Pursuant to instructions in referenced teletype, the Bureau is being furnished herewith two xerox copies each of pages of serials with notations not previously forwarded to the Bureau in the Miami office file captioned, "MURKIN, Civil Rights (44-1854)," as well as the assassination of MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., Racial Matters, file 157-2434 as indicated below:

For ease of identification the first page of the appropriate serial is also included.

These are as follows:

Miami 44-1854 Volume 2, Serials 152 page 3, 175 page 2, 251 page 3, 264 page 2, 299 page 2, Volume 3, Serial 489 page 2, Volume 5, Serial 647 page 2.

In addition, the following first pages of serials not previously sent to the Bureau by Miami Division are enclosed for the Bureau which communications are in Bureau files:

Miami 44-1854, Volume 6, Serials 774, 775, 776, 782, 786, 787, 788, 789, 791 pages 1 and 2, 792, 803, 804, 813, 815, 816.
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Also the following serials are enclosed in their entirety inasmuch as they have not been previously furnished to the Bureau and are not in the Bureau files:

Miami file 44-1854, Volume 6, Serial 777, 778, 779, 780, 781, 783, 784, 785, 790, 793, 794, 795, 796, 797, 798, 799, 800, 801, 802, 805, 806, 807, 808, 809, 810, 811, 812, 814, 817, 818, 819, 820. The total number of serials are 58.

A review of the exhibits contained in the aforementioned files did not disclose any notations.

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TO ALL SACS

FROM DIRECTOR (100-106670)

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.; BUDED AUGUST 9, 1976.

REBUTEL TO ALL SACS JULY 28, 1976.

FURTHER DISCUSSIONS WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE TASK FORCE HAS RESULTED IN THE FOLLOWING CHANGE REGARDING REPRODUCTION OF FIELD OFFICE SERIALS IN THE MURKIN INVESTIGATION, AS OUTLINED IN REFERENCED TELETYPE.

IT WILL BE NECESSARY ONLY TO XEROX THE FIRST PAGE OF ANY DOCUMENT IN YOUR MURKIN FILE IF A COPY OF THAT DOCUMENT HAS BEEN SUBMITTED TO FBIHQ. THIS WILL INCLUDE BOTH DOCUMENTS ORIGINATING IN YOUR OFFICE AND THOSE RECEIVED FROM OTHER FIELD DIVISIONS. ANY DOCUMENTS IN YOUR MURKIN FILE, COPIES OF WHICH HAVE NOT BEEN SUBMITTED TO FBIHQ MUST BE REPRODUCED IN THEIR ENTIRETY AND FORWARDED TO FBIHQ.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Miami, Florida

December 29, 1976

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No. 157-2434

ASSASSINATION OF MARTIN
LUTHER KING, JR.
EXTREMIST MATTER

On December 22, 1976, PAT KEOHANE, Chief Correctional Supervisor, Federal Correctional Institution (FCI), Perrine, Florida, advised the following information was developed by a member of his staff during a recent conversation with an inmate ROBERT BYRON WATSON, Number 19210-101, regarding his failure to adhere to FCI mailing procedures.

WATSON, who was sentenced to six years on October 6, 1972, for violation of Federal Narcotics Laws, indicated that he expected to be released from the prison prior to the inception of his full term as a result of a demonstration to be conducted in his behalf by DICK GREGORY at the White House. He requested to be confined to the FCI Segregation Unit in protective custody during the last week of January, 1977, since it is then that the demonstration will take place.

RICHARD CLAXTON GREGORY, also known as DICK GREGORY, is a well known nightclub entertainer and civil rights activist who recently has turned his attentions to the re-investigation of the MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. assassination.

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LUTHER KING, JR.
EXTREMIST MATTER

Records of the FCI revealed that in 1976, A. REGINALD EAVES, Public Safety Commissioner, Atlanta, Georgia, commenced an investigation after GREGORY supplied him with a forty-two page statement attributed to WATSON by his mother, regarding the MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. assassination. EAVES indicated that he planned to return the results of his investigation over to a correctional committee.

WATSON's statement contained an allegation that in 1968, while he was employed at Magellans Art Gallery in Atlanta, Georgia, he overheard GENE PURCELL and JERRY ADAMS, co-owners of the establishment, planning to kill KING approximately one week before the assassination. PURCELL at the present time is believed to be living in Clinton, Tennessee, and may previously have been employed with the then Atomic Energy Commission.

FCI records reflected that WATSON is a white male, date of birth August 8, 1953, FBI Number 260-514-J10. He has had numerous arrests since 1970, primarily for narcotics violations.

United States Department of Justice
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Miami, Florida

December 29, 1976

1-U.S. Secret Service, Miami, Florida

**RE: ASSASSINATION OF MARTIN LUTHER
KING, JR.
EXTREMIST MATTER**

Dear Sir:

For your information, I am enclosing communications which may be of interest to you.

Very truly yours,

JULIUS L. MATTSON

Official in Charge . . .

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REGISTERED MAIL

1-Addressee

②-Miami (157-2434)
(1-66-3586)

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December 29, 1976

Director
 United States Secret Service
 Department of the Treasury
 Washington, D. C. 20223

In Reply, Please Refer to
 File No. **157-2434**

RE: **ASSASSINATION OF MARTIN
 LUTHER KING, JR.
 EXTREMIST MATTER**

Dear Sir:

The information furnished herewith concerns an individual or organization believed to be covered by the agreement between the FBI and Secret Service concerning protective responsibilities, and to fall within the category or categories checked.

1. ☒ Threats or actions against persons protected by Secret Service.
2. ☐ Attempts or threats to redress grievances.
3. ☐ Threatening or abusive statement about U. S. or foreign official.
4. ☐ Participation in civil disturbances, anti-U. S. demonstrations or hostile incidents against foreign diplomatic establishments.
5. ☐ Illegal bombing, bomb-making or other terrorist activity.
6. ☐ Defector from U. S. or indicates desire to defect.
7. ☐ Potentially dangerous because of background, emotional instability or activity in groups engaged in activities inimical to U. S.

Photograph ☐ has been furnished ☐ enclosed ☐ is not available.

Very truly yours,

Clarence M. Kelley
 Clarence M. Kelley
 Director

2-Bureau (RM)

1 - Special Agent in Charge (Enclosure(s))
 U. S. Secret Service, Miami (Enc. 1)
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-106670)
FROM: SAC, MIAMI (157-2434) (C)
SUBJECT: ASSASSINATION OF MARTIN LUTHER
KING, JR.
EXTREMIST MATTER

Enclosed for the Bureau are five copies of an LHM dated and captioned as above.

FD-376 attached in view of information contained in LHM re planned demonstration at White House.

Local dissemination of LHM to Secret Service, Miami, and information copy of LHM being furnished Atlanta as a matter of possible interest to that division.

UACB, no further investigation being conducted in this matter by Miami Division.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (62-117290)
(ATTN.: SUPERVISOR JAY ALDHIZER)

FROM: SAC, MIAMI (62-6603) (C)

SUBJECT: HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE
ON ASSASSINATIONS;
BUDED: 9/23/77

Re Miami telephone conversation with the Bureau on 9/20/77; Miami airtel to the Bureau 8/31/77; Bureau teletype to Miami dated 8/18/77.

Pursuant to Bureau instructions, enclosed herewith are two copies each of the following listed serials from Miami Office file captioned, "MURKIN, CIVIL RIGHTS (44-1854)", which are not contained in Bureau files:

Serials 297, 360 and 737.

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Congressional Staff Interrogates Ray

PETROS, Tenn. -- The staff of the House Select Committee on Assassinations met with James Earl Ray for seven hours Monday and agreed to arrange a lie detector test for the convicted killer of civil rights leader Martin Luther King Jr.

The meeting was the sixth held with Ray since March 22 at Brushy Mountain State Prison, where he is serving 99 years for pleading guilty to the 1968 slaying.

Robert Lehner, spokesman for the four committee staffers who met with Ray, said the lie detector test will be given Ray after the current series of interviews. Another interview will be held Dec. 2.

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MIAMI, FLA.

CC: TO MMFILE (44-1854*)
① (157-2434)

Date: 11-15-77

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Title: JAMES EARL RAY:
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