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COLBURN, BUT HOME ADDRESS LISTED AS: ROUTE C, EVERGREEN, ALA.,  
WITH PARENTS LEON AND ALICE HARDEN. SOCIAL SECURITY NO.

KNOWN TO J. C.

JOHNSON, DELMA BOWERS, ROBERT KENDALL, WILEY SALTER AND MABRY  
COOK, ALL EVERGREEN, ALA.

LETTER FROM WIFE, VADA, APRIL TWO, SIXTYFIVE, ALLEGES MIS-  
REPRESENTATION IN APPLICATION FOR HARDSHIP DISCHARGE; HE INTENDED  
EMPLOYMENT BY BROWN AND ROOT CONST. CO., HOUSTON; HE HAD  
BEATEN HER; HAD THREATENED TO KILL HER IF SHE LEFT HIM; AND  
HAD PURCHASED RIFLE AND CARTRIDGES.

FILE INDICATES SHE HAD PREVIOUSLY SUFFERED NERVOUS BREAKDOWN.  
POSSIBILITY EXISTS SHE MAY BE ANONYMOUS CALLER THIS INSTANCE.

HOUSTON AND MOBILE CONDUCT APPROPRIATE INVESTIGATION TO  
LOCATE HARDEN AND DETERMINE IF HE MAY BE LOGICAL SUSPECT.

DETAILED THREE ZERO TWO FOLLOWS.

COPY BY MAIL TO DALLAS. P.

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TO: SAC, JACKSON (157-1586)  
FROM: MOBILE (157-2627)

MURKIN

RE JACKSON TEL TO MOBILE, APRIL TEN SIXTY EIGHT.

FLOYD AGNEW INTERVIEWED THIS DATE AND ADVISED HE HAD SOLD THE AMORY STEAM LAUNDRY, AMORY, MISS., TO ROBERT AND MELVIN HOOD SOMETIME DURING NINETEEN SIXTY FOUR. AGNEW ADVISED THAT THE THERMOSEAL MACHINE WAS INCLUDED IN THE EQUIPMENT SOLD TO THE HOOD BROTHERS. AGNEW STATED THAT THE MACHINE WAS USED TO REPAIR CLOTHING AND TO MARK RENTAL LINENS WHICH WAS PART OF THE BUSINESS HE WAS ENGAGED IN AT THAT TIME. AGNEW FURTHER STATED THAT AT THE TIME HE SOLD THE BUSINESS AND INVENTORY WAS PREPARED AND THAT IF NECESSARY, HE COULD POSSIBLY LOCATE THIS INVENTORY.

JACKSON WILL RECONTACT M. D. HOOD, HOOD LAUNDRY, AMORY, MISSISSIPPI, TO RE-ESTABLISH FACT THAT HOOD MAY POSSIBLY HAVE SOLD THE MACHINE OR MAY STILL BE IN POSSESSION OF IT.

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IT IS NOTED THAT AT THE TIME OF THE SALE OF THE LAUNDRY  
TO HOOD, HOOD ALSO RECEIVED A COPY OF THE INVENTORY OF  
THE EQUIPMENT IN THE LAUNDRY.

MEMPHIS ADVISED AM.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI, MEMPHIS AND BIRMINGHAM

FROM: SAC, MOBILE (157-2627) (P)

MURKIN (OO: MEMPHIS)

RE BIRMINGHAM TEL TO DIRECTOR, MEMPHIS AND MOBILE  
~~APRIL TEN INSTANT.~~

MRS. KATHRYN MOORE, CLERK, PRATTVILLE, ALA., PD,  
ADVISED IS PERSONALLY ACQUAINTED WITH PERCY D. STRICKLAND, JR.,  
AND HIS WIFE OLLIE R. STRICKLAND, WHO RESIDE AT NINE ONE  
SEVEN LODER ST., PRATTVILLE, ALA. HE IS EMPLOYED SOUTHERN  
BELL TELEPHONE CO., BIRMINGHAM, ALA., AND COMES HOME TO  
PRATTVILLE EACH WEEKEND. HIS WIFE IS EMPLOYED ALA. STATE  
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH IN CLINIC ON HIGH ST., MONTGOMERY, ALA.

RECORDS ALA. SELECTIVE SERVICE DEPARTMENT REFLECT  
PERCY D. STRICKLAND, JR., A WM, BORN [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] BRAGGS, ALA., AND AS OF NINETEEN FORTYTWO WAS  
DESCRIBED AS SIX FEET TALL, ONE HUNDRED FIFTYTHREE LBS.,  
BLACK HAIR, BLUE EYES, RUDDY COMPLEXION; SERVED IN U. S.  
NAVY MARCH TWENTYFOUR NINETEEN FORTYTHREE TO NOVEMBER SIXTEEN  
NINETEEN FORTYFIVE, HONORABLY DISCHARGED, SN 605-51-04.

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IT APPEARS LIKELY THAT STRICKLAND WHILE EMPLOYED BIRMINGHAM IS RESIDING AT OR IN NEIGHBORHOOD OF TWO SIX ZERO EIGHT HIGHLAND AVE., AND POSSIBLY CALLED HIS WIFE IN PRATTVILLE ON THE DATES IN QUESTION WHICH WERE WEEKDAYS.

ACCORDINGLY SUGGESTED THAT BIRMINGHAM CONSIDER DESIRABILITY OF INTERVIEW WITH STRICKLAND AT TELEPHONE CO., IN BIRMINGHAM. NO FURTHER INVESTIGATION CONCERNING STRICKLAND BEING MADE BY MOBILE.

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Addendum: Investigation was jointly conducted today by SA CARMELO GRAFFAGNINI and SA CLIFFORD A. ROWE and the selective service info was obtained from Mrs. Marietta Adams, Selective Service System and Mrs. Alma Pate, Department of History and Archives Montgomery, Ala.

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FBI BIRMGHAM

657PM URGENT 4-10-68 HEP

TO DIRECTOR, MEMPHIS (44-1987), MOBILE, NEW ORLEANS..

FROM BIRMINGHAM (44-1740) 2P

MURKIN. CR. OO MEMPHIS.

RE BALTIMORE TEL DATED JANUARY ONE EIGHT, NINETEEN SIXTYFIVE, CAPTIONED "UNSUB; ALLEGED THREAT ON LIFE OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JANUARY ONE EIGHT, NINETEEN SIXTYFIVE, SELMA, ALABAMA, RACIAL MATTERS, OO MOBILE", AND NEW ORLEANS TEL DATED JANUARY ONE NINE, NINETEEN SIXTYFIVE CAPTIONED, "REGISTRARS OF VOTERS - DALLAS COUNTY, ALABAMA, VOTER DISCRIMINATION, CR - EL", NEW ORLEANS FILE ONE FIVE SEVEN - THREE THREE FOUR FIVE, MOBILE FILE FOUR FOUR - FIVE FIVE SEVEN.

RE BALTIMORE TEL REFLECTS NATIONAL CITIZENS COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT WHITLEY HOTEL, MONTGOMERY, ALA., JANUARY FOURTEEN - SIXTEEN, NINETEEN SIXTYFIVE. RETEL REFLECTS ON JANUARY SIXTEEN, NINETEEN SIXTYFIVE, JOSEPH MITCHELL, WHILE ALONE WITH ONE NORMAN KILPATRICK, ADVISED KILPATRICK THAT HE (MITCHELL) HAD BEEN TOLD THAT MARTIN LUTHER KING WOULD NOT LIVE THIRTY SIX HOURS. RETEL REFLECTS THAT MITCHELL AND KILPATRICK WERE DELEGATES TO THE ABOVE DESCRIBED CITIZENS COUNCIL MEETING, AS WAS A DELEGATE FROM SELMA, ALABAMA, END PAGE ONE

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NAME NOT RECALLED.

RE NEW ORLEANS TEL REFLECTS JAMES CARL PAFFORD, BOX ONE NINE FIVE, CULLEN, LOUISIANA, WHO REPORTEDLY ATTENDED ABOVE CITIZENS COUNCIL MEETING AND MADE STATEMENT "HE SHOULD STOP AT SELMA TO SEE WHAT HE COULD DO" ABOUT "MARTIN LUTHER KING". RETEL REFLECTS PAFFORD INTERVIEWED AT SPRING HILL, LOUISIANA, ON JANUARY ONE EIGHT, NINETEEN SIXTYFIVE. RETEL STATES PAFFORD REFUSED TO FURNISH INFORMATION ABOUT ABOVE MEETING EXCEPT TO STATE HE HEARD NOTHING ABOUT THREATS OF VIOLENCE TO KING.

NEW ORLEANS AT CULLEN, LOUISIANA, DETERMINE PAFFORD'S WHEREABOUTS DURING PERTINENT PERIOD OF APRIL FOUR LAST.

MOBILE AT MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA, WILL CONDUCT LOGICAL INVESTIGATION AT WHITLEY HOTEL IN EFFORT TO DETERMINE IDENTITY OF DELEGATE FROM SELMA, ALABAMA, TO ABOVE NATIONAL CITIZENS COUNCIL MEETING, JANUARY, NINETEEN SIXTYFIVE, WHO MAY HAVE REGISTERED AS GUEST AT HOTEL. IF IDENTITY ASCERTAINED, DETERMINE WHEREABOUTS DURING PERTINENT PERIOD APRIL FOUR LAST.

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TO DIRECTOR (44-38861) AND MOBILE  
FROM DALLAS (44-2649)

MURKIN. OO: MEMPHIS.

RE MOBILE TEL APRIL NINE AND BIRMINGHAM TEL APRIL TEN.

ON APRIL TEN SIXTYEIGHT, GARY C. WESTER, MANAGER, GOODYEAR SERVICE CENTER, TWO TWO TWO SOUTH GALLOWAY STREET, MESQUITE, TEXAS, ADVISED JIMMY GEORGE ROBINSON HAS BEEN EMPLOYED SINCE MARCH TWENTYONE SIXTYEIGHT, AS ASSISTANT SERVICE MANAGER. WESTER ADVISED THAT ROBINSON WORKS FROM EIGHT AM UNTIL SIX PM SIX DAYS WEEKLY. ROBINSON HAS NOT TAKEN ANY TIME OFF AND WAS PERSONALLY OBSERVED WORKING ALL DAY APRIL FOUR LAST BY WESTER.

MOBILE DISCONTINUE LEAD AT SELMA, ALABAMA TO DETERMINE IF ROBINSON IN THAT AREA DURING PERTINENT PERIOD.

AM COPIES FURNISHED MEMPHIS AND BIRMINGHAM.

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SA PHILIP H. SHERIDAN

PENDING INACTIVE

SIDNEY C. BARNES  
BOMBING SUSPECT.

On 4/9/68 MR and MRS L? V. SNELL, 1377 East Riviera Drive, next door neighbors to BARNES, advised that they had been aware of the activities of B ARNES and his wife ~~had~~ and had kept a close watch on their activities since last contacted. Both stated that BARNES and his wife had remained in the Mobile area and were, to the best of their knowledge, in the area on 4/4/68 and the period immediate preceeding and succeeding this date. Both stated that they had seen the Barnes at some time or other on the days immediately preceeding.

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1053PM URGENT 4/10/68 MJR

TO DIRECTOR (44-38861), ATLANTA (44-2386), BIRMINGHAM, COLUMBIA,  
JACKSON, JACKSONVILLE, MEMPHIS MIAMI, MOBILE, AND SAVANNAH  
FROM TAMPA (157-3231)

MURKIN. CR. OO:MEMPHIS

RE ATLANTA TEL APRIL TEN INSTANT AND TAMPA TEL APRIL TEN  
INSTANT.

TODAY, RICHARD BRISTOW, TEXTILE MARKING MACHINE CO.,  
GAINESVILLE, FLA., ADVISED HE SELLS AND SERVICES THERMOSEAL  
MARKING MACHINES IN SOUTH CAROLINA, ALABAMA, GEORGIA, FLORIDA,  
AND MISSISSIPPI AS FAR NORTH AS JACKSON. BRISTOW, FROM MEMORY  
FURNISHED THE FOLLOWING LIST OF LAUNDRIES AND CLEANERS WHICH  
USES THE THERMOSEAL MACHINES IN HIS TERRITORY:

ATLANTA DIVISION:

ATLANTA, MCFARLAND BROS., FOUR PLANTS; GAINESVILLE,  
GAINESVILLE STEAM LAUNDRY; MACON, BLOOM'S LAUNDRY.

COLUMBIA DIVISION:

PARRIS ISLAND, BASE LAUNDRY; COLUMBIA, DELUX LAUNDRY;

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CHARLESTON, NAVAL EXCHANGE LAUNDRY.

BIRMINGHAM DIVISION:

BIRMINGHAM, ALLADIN CLEANERS AND LAUNDRY; HUNTSVILLE, BOB'S CLEANER'S AND LAUNDRY; HUNTSVILLE, PRATT'S CLEANERS AND LAUNDRY; FLORENCE, ONE HOUR MARTINIZING; TUSCALOOSA, NORTHERNTON LAUNDRY.

JACKSON DIVISION:

BILOXI, BASE LAUNDRY.

JACKSONVILLE DIVISION:

JACKSONVILLE, DUVAL LAUNDRY; JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA CLEANERS AND LAUNDRY; JACKSONVILLE LAKE FOREST LAUNDRY; JACKSONVILLE, NEW YORK LAUNDRY; JACKSONVILLE, NAVAL EXCHANGE LAUNDRY; TALAHASSEE, FSU LAUNDRY; PENSACOLA, NAVAL EXCHANGE LAUNDRY; LAKE CITY, LAKE CITY LAUNDRY; QUINCY, SUNSHINE LAUNDRY; GAINESVILLE, IDEAL LAUNDRY; GAINESVILLE, CLEAN-A-MATIC; GAINESVILLE, NEW WAY LAUNDRY.

MIAMI DIVISION:

MIAMI, METROPOLITAN LAUNDRY; MIAMI, CAUSEWAY LAUNDRY; MIAMI, STAR CLEANERS; MIAMI, PARISIAN CLEANERS; MIAMI, CROWN CLEANERS AND LAUNDRY; MIAMI, AMERICAN HOME LAUNDRY; PARINE, PARINE CLEANERS AND LAUNDRY; FT. LAUDERDALE, COLONY CLEANERS; FT. LAUDERDALE, IMPERIAL CLEANERS AND TAILORS;  
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FT. LAUDERDALE, FT. LAUDERDALE CLEANERS AND LAUNDRY;  
FT. LAUDERDALE, BOND CLEANERS; FT. LAUDERDALE, MCEWEN'S  
HELPY-SELFY; FT. LAUDERDALE, HAYWORTH'S LAUNDRY; FT.  
LAUDERDALE, PARIS CLEANERS AND LAUNDRY; BOCA RATON, BOCA  
RATON CLEANERS AND LAUNDRY; DEL RAY BEACH, DEL RAY BEACH  
LAUNDRY; FT. PIERCE, RICE BROS. LAUNDRY;

MOBILE DIVISION:

ALEXANDER CITY, ALEXANDER CITY LAUNDRY; MOBILE, CHINA  
LAUNDRY; MONTGOMERY, MAXWELL AFB LAUNDRY.

SAVANNAH DIVISION:

THOMSON, THOMSON HOME LAUNDRY; AUGUSTA, SUPERIOR LAUNDRY;  
AUGUSTA, SNOW'S LAUNDRY; AUGUSTA, TAYLOR HULSE'S; DOUGLAS,  
SOUTHERN LAUNDRY; BRUNSWICK, BRUNSWICK STEAM LAUNDRY;  
SAVANNAH, WINK DAVIS LAUNDRY.

RECIPIENT OFFICES NOTE BRISTOW HAS CONSIDERABLE  
KNOWLEDGE CONCERNING MARKING SYSTEMS OF THE THERMOSEAL  
MACHINE. HE ADVISED THAT NONE OF THE ABOVE LISTED LAUNDRIES  
USE A ZERO AS THE FIRST CHARACTER AND ONLY MCFARLAND BROS.,  
ATLANTA USE A LETTER RATHER THAN NUMBER AS THE FIRST CHARACTER.

RECIPIENT OFFICES HANDLE FIRMS LISTED.

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1019PM IMMEDIATE 4-10-68 HEP  
TO DIRECTOR AND ALL SACS  
FROM BIRMINGHAM (44-1740) 1P

MURKIN

ERIC STARVO GALT, TWO SIX ZERO EIGHT HIGHLAND AVENUE SOUTH,  
BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA, REGISTERED OWNER OF WHITE NINETEEN SIXTYSIX  
MUSTANG, VIN SIX T ZERO SEVEN C ONE NINE ZERO SIX FOUR SEVEN,  
BEARING NINETEEN SIXTYEIGHT ALABAMA LICENSE ONE - THREE EIGHT NINE  
NINE THREE, IS PRIME SUSPECT IN THIS CASE.

ALL OFFICES CHECK ABOVE VIN FOR POSSIBLE RE-REGISTRATION.

NO INDICATION TO BE GIVEN THAT THIS LEAD IS IN CONJUNCTION  
WITH MURKIN CASE.

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1052 AM URGENT 4-11-68 JGA

TO DIRECTOR, JACKSON, KANSAS CITY, MEMPHIS, MOBILE, NEW ORLEANS  
AND ST. LOUIS.

FROM BIRMINGHAM 44-1740

MURKIN; CR; OO MEMPHIS.

SUSPECT ERIC STARVO GALT, WHITE MALE BORN [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] FIVE FEET ELEVEN INCHES, ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY-FIVE POUNDS, BLUE EYES, BROWN HAIR, STAYED AT ROOMING HOUSE IN BIRMINGHAM LAST WEEK AUGUST, SIXTYSEVEN, INTO OCTOBER, SIXTYSEVEN, PURCHASED NINETEEN SIXTYSIX MUSTANG WITH TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS CASH, SOURCE OF THIS AND ADDITIONAL MONEYHAD BY HIM NOT KNOWN. PERSONS INTERVIEWED HAVE STATED HE INDICATED INTEREST IN WORK OF A SEAMAN ON BARGES OR OTHER VESSELS, AND MAY HAVE BEEN WORKING ABOARD VESSELS OR AT DOCKS PREVIOUSLY. ALL OFFICES RECEIVING THIS TELETYPE WILL CHECK ALL SEAFARERS UNIONS IDENTIFIABLE IN AN EFFORT TO IDENTIFY GALT BY THIS OR ANY OTHER NAME, IF THIS HAS NOT ALREADY BEEN DONE.

REGIONAL DIRECTOR, WAGES AND HOURS AND PUBLIC CONTRACTS  
DIVISION, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, BIRMINGHAM IS CAUSING CHECK TO  
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BE MADE IN HIS FOUR-STATE AREA FOR ANY SAFETY OPERATIONS INVESTIGATIONS INVOLVING SEAMEN OR DOCK WORKERS, AND RELATED OCCUPATIONS, AND SUGGESTS CERTAIN OTHER REGIONAL DIRECTORS BE CHECKED FOR THOSE AREAS INVOLVED WITH SUCH TYPE WATERFRONT WORKERS. MEMPHIS AT NASHVILLE MAIN OFFICE AND AT MEMPHIS SUB - OFFICE, KANSAS CITY AT MAIN OFFICE, AND ST. LOUIS AT SUB-OFFICE, DETERMINE ANY INVESTIGATIONS THESE OFFICES MAY HAVE MADE REGARDING SEAMEN OR DOCK WORKERS, AND THEN REVIEW ANY SUCH REPORTS OF INVESTIGATION WHEREIN NAME OF GALT MIGHT BE MENTIONED AS ONE OF CREW MEMBERS OR AMONG THOSE COVERED BY THE INVESTIGATION. IT IS INDICATED NAME WOULD NOT BE INDEXED, BUT ALL NAMES WOULD BE LISTED IN SPECIFIC REPORT OF INVESTIGATION.

MOBILE, JACKSON, NEW ORLEANS, MEMPHIS AND ST. LOUIS CHECK STATE  
COMPENSATION AGENCIES IN EFFORT TO IDENTIFY POSSIBLE PAYMENT TO GALT  
AS SOURCE OF FUNDS AVAILABLE TO HIM AT BIRMINGHAM. TRY TO  
IDENTIFY ANY WORK-RELATED COMPENSATION OR INJURY COMPENSATION, OR  
UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION PAID TO GALT, OR ANY KIND OF SETTLEMENT  
MONEY HE MAY HAVE BEEN PAID UPON TERMINATION OF EMPLOYMENT. IF  
RECORD FOUND, OBTAIN ANY BACKGROUND INFORMATION ON HIM. CHECK FOR  
HIS NAME UNDER CATEGORIES OF STEVEDORES, LONGSHOREMEN, WAREHOUSEMEN,  
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AND RELATED OCCUPATIONS. SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER NOT AVAILABLE, SO ALL OTHER POSSIBILITIES MUST BE CHECKED. HE TOLD ONE PERSON HE HAD BEEN A "BARGER" BETWEEN ST. LOUIS AND MOBILE. SPECIFICALLY CHECK OFFICES PAYING COMPENSATION IN AREAS WHERE SEAMEN AND LONGSHOREMEN WOULD BE FOUND, SUCH AS AT MAJOR PORT CITIES.

SET OUT ALL LEADS BY TELETYPE AND ADVISE BIRMINGHAM AND OFFICE OF ORIGIN. NO INDICATION TO BE GIVEN THAT THIS LEAD IAS IN CONJUNCTION WITH MURKIN CASE.

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FBI ALBANY

1122AM URGENT 4-11-68 DER

TO: DIRECTOR AND (30) SAC RECEIVING ALBANY AIRTEL APRIL TEN LAST.  
FROM ALBANY:

MURKIN, CR.

RE ALBANY AIRTEL APRIL TEN LAST.

IT IS SUGGESTED IN COVERING LEADS REAIRTEL THAT PERSONAL  
CONTACTS BE MADE WITH OPERATOR OF MACHINES IN PREFERENCE TO  
SUPERVISORY PERSONNEL AS TEXTILE MARKING MACHINE CO., SYRACUSE,  
NY, NOW SUGGESTS THAT ZERO IN FIRST CHARACTER MAY HAVE BEEN  
INSERTED BY MACHINE OPERATOR IN PREFERENCE TO USING A DASH.

IF OTHER CHARACTERS SIMILAR TO QUESTIONED CODE, SUGGEST  
IMMEDIATE SUBMISSION TO BUREAU LAB FOR COMPARISON.

ALL OFFICES BEING ADVISED BY ALBANY.

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ReMOairtel to Bureau, 4/9/68, transmitting papers from the Alabama Driver's License Dept. concerning suspect ERIC STARVO GALT to the laboratory for examination.

This material was furnished directly to the Bureau from the Montgomery RA. No copies of this transmittal airtel were designated for Memphis or Birmingham and accordingly two copies of this airtel, dated 4/9/68, are enclosed herewith for Memphis and Birmingham.

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1156PM URGENT 4/10/68 CAF

TO ATLANTA, BALTIMORE, BIRMINGHAM, CHICAGO, CLEVELAND, JACKSON,  
LOUISVILLE, MOBILE, NEW ORLEANS, KNOXVILLE, SAVANNAH, AND ST.  
LOUIS

FROM MEMPHIS (44-1987) 6P

MURKIN; CIVIL RIGHTS.

SUSPECT ERIC ~~STARVO~~ GALT, WHITE MALE, DOB

FIVE FEET ELEVEN INCHES, ONE SEVEN FIVE POUNDS, BLUE EYES, BROWN HAIR, REPORTEDLY A BARGE OR RIVER BOAT MAN, HAD RESIDED TWO SIX ZERO EIGHT HIGHLAND AVENUE, BIRMINGHAM, LAST FALL. SUSPECT STAYED REBEL MOTEL, HIGHWAY SEVENTY-ONE, MEMPHIS, ARRIVING SEVEN FIFTEEN PM, APRIL THREE, LAST, DEPARTED APPROXIMATELY NOON, APRIL FOUR, LAST, VIVING WHITE MUSTANG, NINETEEN SIXTY-EIGHT ALABAMA LICENSE ONE - THREE EIGHT NINE NINE THREE. OTHERS REGISTERED AT MOTEL IN ADJACENT ROOM WERE ANDY GAST, ROUTE SIX, FREMONT, OHIO; WILLIAM HESTER, ONE ZERO NINE FOREST AVENUE, TROY, ALABAMA. FOLLOWING SUSPECT'S DEPARTURE ROOM THIRTY-FOUR L. N. PAGE, ONE TWO EIGHT TWO ABBE ROAD, SHEFFIELD, OHIO, OCCUPIED SAME, ROOM THIRTY-FOUR, EIGHT THIRTY PM FOR APRIL FOUR, LAST.

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SUSPECT CLAIMED EMPLOYMENT INGALLS SHIPYARD, PASCAGOULA, MISSISSIPPI, BUT RECORDS REFLECT ONLY INEZ COWART GALT, WHITE FEMALE, AGE TWENTY-FIVE - THIRTY, EMPLOYED AUGUST TWENTY-ONE - SEPTEMBER SEVEN, NINETEEN FORTY-FOUR, SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER [REDACTED]

SUSPECT DEPARTED HIGHLAND ADDRESS ABOUT DECEMBER 1, LAST, FOR NEW JOB ON BARGE OR TWOBOAT AT MOBILE. WHILE RESIDING BOARDING HOUSE LAST FALL RECEIVED PACKAGE FROM CHICAGO RETURNED BY HIM TO THE MAIL ORDER HOUSE UNOPENED. SUSPECT REPORTEDLY OBTAINED DUPLICATE ALABAMA DRIVER'S LICENSE MARCH ONE, LAST, CLAIMING LOUISIANA DRIVER'S LICENSE EXPIRED NINETEEN SIXTY-TWO. USCG HEADQUARTERS HAS NO PORT SECURITY CARD OR MERCHANT MARINE Z CARD ON GALT. UNSUB ABANDONED CERTAIN TRADE ARTICLES AFTER SHOOTING OF KING ON APRIL FOUR, LAST. ONE ARTICLE IS A BAR OF CASHMERE BOUQUET SOAP, A WRAPPER OF FRIENDSHIP INNS, NAME OF MOTEL OR TOWN NOT LISTED.

ATLANTA CONTACT EARL FUOSS, REGIONAL INSPECTOR, SE  
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REGION, IRS, TO LOCATE PAST INCOME TAX RETURNS EARE GALT  
NINETEEN SIXTY TO PRESENT.

AT LAGRANGE, GEORGIA CONTACT TOWN AND COUNTRY MOTEL,  
FRIENDSHIP INNS' AFFILIATE, AND CHECK RECORDS OF GUESTS  
OF MARCH TWENTY TO APRIL THREE, LAST, UNDER THE NAMES JOHN  
WILLARD, HARVEY LOWMEYER, AND SUSPECT GALT. NOTE SUSPECT  
GALT DRIVING ABOVE DESCRIBED MUSTANG WITH ALABAMA LICENSE.

AT MARIETTA, GEORGIA: WILL AT THE TRAVELERS HAVEN  
MOTEL CONDUCT SAME INVESTIGATION

AT PERRY, GEORGIA, WILL AT THE COLONIAL MANOR  
MOTEL CONDUCT SAME INVESTIGATION.

AT BALTIMORE, THROUGH BALTIMORE SOURCE FOUR DETERMINE  
CURRENT INFORMATION ON INEZ COWART GALT.

AT BIRMINGHA, WILL IMMEDIATELY FORWARD COMPOSITE  
SUSPECT TO OFFICES RECEIVING THIS COMMUNICATION.

AT CHICAGO, CONTACT SEARS AND ROEBUCK, MONTGOMERY  
WARD, SPEIGELS AND ALDENS FOR CUSTOM OR MAIL ORDER RECORD  
OF PACKAGE DIRECTED TO GALT AT BIRMINGHAM TO DEVELOP BACKGROUND  
INFORMATION.

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per SPC Bell Memphis  
4/11/68/A  
ERIC STARVO GALT

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CLEVELAND AT FREMONT, INTERVIEW ANDY GAST, ROUTE SIX, RE KNOWLEDGE AND CONTACT WITH SUSPECT.

AT SHEFFIELD, OHIO, INTERVIEW L. N. PAGE, ONE TWO EIGHT TWO ABBE ROAD RE ANY OBJECTS LEFT IN ROOM BY SUSPECT FORMER OCCUPANT, REBEL MOTEL, AS WELL AS KNOWLEDGE OF SUSPECTS.

JACKSON AT COLUMBUS, CONTACT COLUMBUS MOTEL WILL CONDUCT SAME INVESTIGATION AS REQUESTED OF ATLANTA.

AT JACKSON, WILL AT THE FOLLOWING MOTELS CNDUCT SAME INVESTIGATION AS THAT REQUESTED AT ATLANTA:

COLUMBUS - COLUMBUS MOTEL

CORINTH - SOUTHERN MOTEL

GREENVILLE - GILHARA MOTOR HOTEL.

GREENWOOD - NAAMAN'S MOTEL

HATTIESBURG - DUMAS MOTEL

TUPELO - TOWNHOUSE MOTEL

WEST POINT - MARSHALL MOTEL

*Knoxville*

~~MOBILE~~ AT PIGEON FORGE, WILL AT THE VACATION LODGE MOTEL CONDUCT SAME INVESTIGATION AS REQUESTED OF ATLANTA.

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LOUISVILLE AT PADUCAH, REVIEW NATIONAL MERITIME UNION  
AND ILA RECORDS FOR INFORMATION RE SUSPECT GALT WORKING  
ABOARD BARGES OR RIVER BOATS.

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MOBILE AT TROY, INTERVIEW WILLIAM HESTER, ONE ZERO NINE  
FOREST AVENUE, RE KNOWLEDGE AND CONTACT WITH SUSPECT AT  
REBEL MOTEL.

AT MOBILE, WILL CONTACT ALL BARGE AND RIVER BOAT COMPANIES  
TO LOCATE EMPLOYMENT RECORD AND BACKGROUND INFORMATION  
OF SUSPECT GALT WHO MAY NOT BE A UNION MEMEBER.

WILL CONTACT LOGICAL SEAMAN'S BOARDING HOUSES FOR RECORD  
OF SUSPECT.

NEW ORLEANS AT BATON ROUGE, REVIEW MOTOR VEHICLE RECORDS  
NINETEEN SIX ONE - SIX-TWO TO LOCATE DRIVERS LICENSE AND BACKGROUND  
OF SUSPECT GALT.

ST. LOUIS, WILL CONTACT SIU AND NMU UNION HALLS FOR  
RECORD OF SUSPECT GALT.

WILL ALSO CONTACT EAGLE BOAT AND FUEL, ECONOMY BOAT  
STORE, ORY BROTHERS MARINE, ST. LOUIS FUEL AND SUPPLY  
AND WAYNE VAHLL, INC., RE PAST EMPLOYMENT OF SUSPECT GALT.  
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AT SAVANNAH, RE CONTACT SAVANNAH MOTOR LODGE AND CONDUCT  
INVESTIGATION AS SET FORTH FOR ATLANTA.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC MOBILE

DATE: 4/10/68

FROM : SPC PUTNAM

SUBJECT: MURKIN. RM.

On this date at approximately 6:30 PM ASAC Rampton, of the Birmingham Office contacted this office telephonically and stated that the Bureau had requested that suspects Galt, <sup>HARVEY</sup> Lowmeyer, and <sup>JOHN D.</sup> WILLARD be checked with all shipping companys to see if they were either a passenger or crew member on ships leaving Mobile since 4/4/68. That this info was to be furnished to SAC Alexander.

SAC Alexander advised.

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC (170-274)(P)

FROM : SA Raymond J. Maxwell

SUBJECT: John Cole Fordham

DATE: 4-9-68

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Fordham advised he could furnish no information concerning the killing of Martin Luther King, Jr. He stated that on the night of 4-4-68 he cruised the Negro neighborhood of Dothan, Ala, and talked to several Negroes. It was the general opinion of the Negroes that there should be no demonstrations, etc, in Dothan and that the King matter should be left to appropriate officials. He stated there was no indication there would be any racial trouble in Dothan.	
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TO HOUSTON  
JACKSON (157-1586)  
MEMPHIS (44-1987)

FROM MOBILE (157-2627)

MURKIN, CR. OO. ME. P  
RE, St. Louis Tel. 4-10-68.  
RE SUSPECT DONNIE LEON HARDEN.

FOR INFORMATION OF JACKSON, ANONYMOUS CALL RECEIVED DALLAS FROM FEMALE, ALLEGING SUBJECT THIS CASE HAD ARMY SERIAL NUMBER RA TWO FOUR FIVE FIVE THREE TWO SIX EIGHT. ST. LOUIS ADVISED THIS SERIAL NUMBER ASSIGNED DONNIE LEON HARDEN, WHITE MALE, BORN [REDACTED] CONECHEE COUNTY, ALA., SIX FEET ONE INCH, TWO HUNDRED THIRTY FIVE POUNDS, BROWN HAIR, BLUE EYES, HARDSHIP DISCHARGE FROM ARMY JUNE FOUR, SIXTY FIVE. HOME ADDRESS LISTED AS ROUTE C, EVERGREEN, ALA., WITH PARENTS, LEON AND ALICE HARDEN, SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER [REDACTED]

APRIL ELEVEN INSTANT, C. W. KENT, CHIEF DEPUTY SHERIFF, EVERGREEN, ALA., STATED WELL ACQUAINTED WITH HARDEN AND HIS PARENTS. HARDEN EMPLOYED INGALLS SHIPBUILDING CO.,

Approved: [Signature]  
Special Agent in Charge

Sent 1159P-40 M Per 1203P JN

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PASCAGOULA, MISS., BUT SPENDS SOME WEEKENDS IN EVERGREEN WITH PARENTS. REPORTEDLY SEPARATED FROM HIS WIFE WHO IS BELIEVED TO BE IN HOUSTON OR DALLAS.

HOUSTON DISCONTINUE EFFORTS TO LOCATE HARDEN.

JACKSON CONDUCT INVESTIGATION AT INGALLS SHIPBUILDING CO., PASCAGOULA, MISS., TO LOCATE HARDEN AND DETERMINE IF HE MAY BE LOGICAL SUSPECT. PENDING.

## ADDENDUM:

ABOVE INVESTIGATION CONDUCTED BY SA ARNOLD C. MERROW

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_ Sent \_\_\_\_\_ M Per \_\_\_\_\_  
Special Agent in Charge

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FBI BIRMGHAM

122 PM URGENT 4-11-68 JGA

TO DIRECTOR 44-38861, MEMPHIS 44-1987 AND MOBILE  
FROM BIRMINGHAM 44-1740 P

MURKIN, CR.

BIRMINGHAM CHECKING ALL INSURANCE COMPANIES SELLING AUTO  
INSURANCE, IN EFFORT TO LOCATE POLICY FOR ERIC STARVO GALT, AND  
SPELLING VARIATIONS OF NAME GALT.

OFFICIALS OF ALABAMA FARM BUREAU INSURANCE CO., BIRMINGHAM,  
STATED COMPLETE COPANY RECORDS MAINTAINED IN MONTGOMERY, ALA.

MOBILE AT MONTGOMERY, ALA., REVIEW RECORDS ALABAMA FARM  
BUREAU INSURANCE CO., FOR ANY AUTOMOBILE POLICY PURCHASED BY SUSPECT  
GALT.

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TO BIRMINGHAM (44-1740)  
FROM MOBILE (157-2627)

MURKIN. CR. OO: MEMPHIS.

RE BIRMINGHAM TELETYPE, INSTANT DATE.

JAMES R. AZAR, VICE PRESIDENT, ALA. FARM BUREAU INSURANCE  
CO., PROCESSING DIVISION, MONTGOMERY, ALA., ADVISED SA GERALD  
O. GRAYBILL THAT HIS COMPANY HAS NO RECORD IDENTIFIABLE WITH  
GALT.

SUGGEST BIRMINGHAM INCLUDE THIS INTERVIEW WITH OTHER  
INVESTIGATION CONCERNING INSURANCE COMPANIES, BIRMINGHAM.  
NO INSERT BEING SUBMITTED BY MOBILE. PENDING.

AIRMAIL COPIES BEING DESIGNATED FOR MEMPHIS.

2-Memphis (AM) (44-1987)

①-Mobile

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 4/11/68

Mrs. LUCILLE WILLIAMS, Desk Clerk, Travel Lodge Motel, 559 Government Street, advised that Registration Card 131-6458 dated April 4, 1968, on file at her company contained the following:

Mr. JACK ENGLAND, 2616 Ryan Avenue, Fort Worth, Texas, checked in to the motel on April 4, 1968, and was assigned Room 319. He indicated he was a representative of the Westward Company, not further identified, and that he was driving a 1968 Buick, Texas License DWW235. This card indicates he held Room 319 for two nights.

Mrs. WILLIAMS noted that the card shows that she handled this registration and although she has a recollection of registering ENGLAND and his being there for two days, she is unable to recall his exact time of arrival or departure. She said there is no time machine to stamp arrivals or departures and as her work hours for the days in question were from 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., it would have been between these hours from Thursday, April 4, 1968, to Saturday, April 6, 1968.

Mrs. WILLIAMS recalled ENGLAND as a tall dark-haired man in his middle or late thirties, who received several business calls and callers. She said he had apparently advertized the fact he would be at the motel a day earlier and they were bothered by phone calls for him prior to his arrival.

On 4/10/68 at Mobile, Alabama File # MO 157-2627-79  
by SA ROGER E. FRITZ *REF* mrc Date dictated 4/11/68

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Mr. JAMES HYBART, Owner, Appliance Parts and Service Company, 805 Church Street, advised as follows:

He is acquainted with Mr. M. J. (JACK) ENGLAND, a representative of the Westward Company, who was in Mobile, Alabama, on Thursday and Friday, April 4 and 5, 1968. He said he had lunch with ENGLAND at Wentzel's Oyster House on Dauphin Street, Mobile, Alabama, shortly past noon on Thursday, April 4, 1968.

Mr. HYBART said that ENGLAND was staying at the Travel Lodge Motel on Government Street in Mobile, and he had been in touch there with ENGLAND later on that same evening and also the following day, Friday, April 5, 1968. He believed ENGLAND had arrived in Mobile from possibly Jackson, Mississippi, earlier on April 4, 1968, and left Mobile for Birmingham, Alabama, possibly on Friday, April 5, 1968, or the next day.

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by SA ROGER E. FRITZ *REF* - mrc Date dictated 4/11/68

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AIRMAIL

TO : SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)  
FROM : SAC, MOBILE (157-2627) (P)  
SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Jackson teletype to Mobile 4/10/68, concerning  
MARION JACKSON ENGLAND, JR.

Enclosed for Memphis are 25 copies each of FD-302's  
of WILLIAMS and HYBART relative to verification of ENGLAND  
being in Mobile, Alabama, on 4/4 and 5/68.

2 - Memphis (Encls 50)  
③ - Mobile  
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Re: MIKE J. MATCHEY  
1520 Dauphin Street,  
Mobile, Alabama,  
Mississippi License  
H-34466, checked into  
Memphis motel April 2, 1968  
and out April 3, 1968

AT MOBILE, ALABAMA

The following investigation was conducted by  
SA B. TIM MCCOY on April 3, 1968:

MICHAEL J. MATCHEY, 1502 Dauphin Street, Apartment  
#5, advised that he is Sales Manager for the State of Alabama  
for the Pabst Brewing Company, and has recently been designated  
as State Sales Manager for the State of Mississippi.

He was in Memphis, Tennessee, on April 2, 1968,  
checking into the Holiday Inn Motel about 7:30 P. M. He  
had a general sales meeting on April 3, 1968, and about  
5:30 P. M., April 3, 1968, left Memphis, Tennessee, for  
Hattiesburg, Mississippi. While enroute, he received a  
speeding ticket from the City Police at Winona, Mississippi.  
He spent the night of April 4, 1968, in the Holiday Inn  
#2, Highway 49, Hattiesburg.

MATCHEY stated he owns a 1966 Ford station wagon  
with Mississippi license H-34466, and has never owned a  
Mustang automobile.

This vehicle referred to by MATCHEY was observed  
by the interviewing Agent.

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AIR MAIL

TO: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)  
FROM: SAC, MOBILE (157-2627) (P)  
SUBJECT: MURKIN  
CR

Re Memphis teletype to Mobile 4/9/68, concerning  
MIKE J. MATCHEY.

Enclosed herewith are 25 copies of an insert  
concerning investigation by Mobile concerning this individual.

No further investigation is being made concerning  
him as his car is determined to be a Ford station wagon  
rather than a Mustang.

2-Memphis  
2-Mobile

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TO: BIRMINGHAM

FROM: MOBILE (157-2627)

MURKIN. CR. OO: MEMPHIS.

HOWARD STRICKLAND, WHO WAS PREVIOUSLY UTILIZED BY THE JACKSONVILLE DIVISION SOME YEARS AGO AS AN INFORMANT ON GAMBLING MATTERS, TELEPHONICALLY CONTACTED SELMA RA TODAY AS HE PRESENTLY LIVES IN THE SELMA, ALABAMA, AREA.

STRICKLAND EXPLAINED ON PAST MONDAY OR TUESDAY NIGHT, HE WAS 'IN MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE, OBSERVED ARTIST'S CONCEPTION OF UNKNOWN SUBJECT IN CAPTIONED CASE AND BELIEVED CONCEPTION RESEMBLED INDIVIDUAL NAMED JAY FISHER.

STRICKLAND DESIRED NAME BE HELD IN CONFIDENCE, HOWEVER STATES HE FIRST MET FISHER IN ABOUT NINETEEN SIXTYONE IN ATLANTA, GEORGIA. FISHER QUOTE PROMOTER UNQUOTE FOR FOOD SUPPLEMENT PLAN SELLING <sup>"</sup>QUOTE NUTRO DASH BIO UNQUOTE. HE LAST SAW FISHER APPROXIMATELY NINETEEN SIXTYFOUR AND FISHER EMPLOYED AT THAT TIME BY PHYSICIANS DASH INVESTORS CORPORATION AND INSURANCE COMPANY OPERATED BY GEORGE PAHAKIS, END PAGE ONE

1-Atlanta (Mail)  
1-Memphis (Mail)

Approved: RLF:sdp Special Agent in Charge  
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BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA. HE ADVISED HE UNDERSTOOD FISHER STILL EMPLOYED BY THIS INSURANCE COMPANY, SIX TO EIGHT WEEKS AGO.

STRICKLAND DOES NOT KNOW IF FISHER EVER INVOLVED IN ANY TROUBLE, HOWEVER, CLAIMS IT WAS QUOTE RUMORED UNQUOTE, FISHER INVOLVED IN SOME TYPE OF TROUBLE A FEW YEARS AGO AND HAD FLED THE COUNTRY TO GO TO BRAZIL FOR A PERIOD OF TIME.

STRICKLAND KNOWS NO DETAILS REGARDING TROUBLE OR WHETHER RUMOR TRUE.

HE DESCRIBED FISHER AS WHITE MALE, APPROXIMATELY FIVE FEET EIGHT INCHES TALL, FORTY TO FORTYFIVE YEARS OF AGE, ONE HUNDRED SIXTY POUNDS, LONG NOSE, THIN LIPS. DESCRIBED FISHER'S FACE AS APPEARING SOLEMN OR QUOTE DEAD PAN. UNQUOTE.

STRICKLAND HAS NO IDEA WHERE ~~STRICKLAND~~ ~~FISHER~~ POSSIBLY LOCATED AT PRESENT TIME, AND LAST ACCOUNT HE HAD WAS

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FISHER EMPLOYED BY THE INSURANCE COMPANY, BIRMINGHAM.

BIRMINGHAM, ASCERTAIN WHEREABOUTS OF FISHER AND  
OBTAIN PHOTOGRAPH IF FISHER POSSIBLY SUSPECT.

END ATLANTA AND MEMPHIS ADVISED AM.

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Special Agent in Charge

W00PMASHGENT 4/11/68 CAB

TO ALL SACS

FROM DIRECTOR 44-38861 2P.

MURKIN

INVESTIGATION HAS ESTABLISHED THAT AN INDIVIDUAL USING THE NAME ERIC STARVO GALT WAS IN MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE, ON APRIL FOUR, SIXTYEIGHT, REPORTEDLY DRIVING A NINETEEN SIXTYSIX WHITE MUSTANG WITH ALABAMA LICENSE ONE DASH THREEEIGHT NINE NINE THREE. THE BUREAU IS ANXIOUS TO LOCATE THIS INDIVIDUAL FOR QUESTIONING IN CONNECTION WITH THIS MATTER.

ALL OFFICES COVERING POINTS OF EXIT FROM THE COUNTRY SHOULD INITIATE A CHECK TO DETERMINE WHETHER OR NOT ERIC GALT HAS DEPARTED THE COUNTRY.

ALL OFFICES ARE TO CONTACT THE APPROPRIATE POLICE DEPARTMENTS IN YOUR TERRITORY TO INSURE THAT ALL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES ARE COVERED BY AN ALL POINTS BULLETIN TO THE EFFECT THAT ERIC STARVO GALT IS WANTED FOR QUESTIONING  
END PAGE ONE

*4-11-68 3:40pm  
Held in a hearing  
pending developments  
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GALT IS DESCRIBED AS WHITE MALE, HEIGHT FIVE FEET ELEVEN INCHES, WEIGHT ONE HUNDRED SEVENTYFIVE POUNDS, EYES BLUE, HAIR BROWN, DATE OF BIRTH [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ACCORDING TO HIS DRIVERS LICENSE.

GALT'S CAR IS DESCRIBED AS A NINETEEN SIXTYSIX WHITE HARD-TOP MUSTANG, SIXTYEIGHT ALABAMA LICENSE TAG ONE-THREE EIGHT NINE NINE THREE, VIN SIX T ZERO SEVEN C ONE NINE ZERO SIX FOUR SEVEN. CAR HAD FOUR INDIVIDUAL RED PLASTIC FLOOR MATS, MUFFLER PAINTED SILVER WHEN PURCHASED BY GALT IN AUGUST SIXTYSEVEN.

UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES SHOULD IT BE INDICATED TO ANYONE AT ANY PLACE THE NATURE OF THE CASE IN WHICH GALT IS WANTED FOR QUESTIONING BY THE FBI.

END

ME...MCP

FBI MEMPHIS

NO...MMW

FBI NEW ORLS

BH...JGA

FBI BIRMGHAM

MO...FLK

FBI MOBILE

TU CLR



FBI WASH DC

625PM URGENT 4/11/68 GJM

TO ALL SACS

FROM DIRECTOR 1P

MURKIN

REBUTEL THIS DATE TO PLACESTOPS ON ERIC STARVO GALT  
AND A NINETEEN SIXTYSIX WHITE MUSTANG. DISREGARD  
REFERENCED TELETYPE AND CANCEL ANY ALL POINTS BULLETINS  
THAT MAY HAVE BEEN ISSUED.

END

BH...HEP

FBI BIRMGHAM

MO...AAH

FBI MOBILE

NO...CDC

FBI NEW ORLS

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TO DIRECTOR MOBILE

FROM WASHINGTON FIELD 44-703 1P

MURKIN, CR.

TODAY GILMER P. STAFFORD, U.S. COAST GUARD, SECOND  
CLASS RADIOMAN, SIX SIX FOUR EIGHT TOWER DRIVE, ALEXANDRIA,  
VIRGINIA, APARTMENT ONE ZERO FIVE, ADVISED HE SERVED IN U.S. NAVY  
WITH JOSEPH M. PRITCHETT <sup>44-1171</sup> ABOARD THE USS ALAN M. SUMNER, STATIONED  
MAYPORT, FLORIDA. PRITCHETT DESCRIBED AS TWENTYSIX TO  
TWENTYSEVEN YEARS NOW, BLONDE, SANDY HAIR, RECEDING HAIRLINE,  
BLUE OR GREEN EYES, FIVE FEET NINE INCHES, ONE SIXTY POUNDS, OVAL  
FACE, PROMINENT EARS. PRITCHETT ALLEGEDLY FROM MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA,  
RESIDED NEAR THE HOME OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. IN ABOUT ONE  
NINE FIVE EIGHT OR ONE NINE FIVE NINE. IS ALLEGED TO HAVE  
THROWN ROCKS AT KING'S HOME AND IN OTHER WAYS HARRASSED KING.  
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WFO, BHT &  
ME returned re  
Jo Malloy Pritchett  
44-1171

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STAFFORD STATED PRITCHETT IS ANTI-NEGRO AND HE BELIEVES  
PRITCHETT RESEMBLES ARTIST'S CONCEPTION ON TELEVISION.

MOBILE CONDUCT INVESTIGATION TO DETERMINE IF PRITCHETT  
IDENTICAL WITH UNSUB.

WFO WILL HAVE SEARCH MADE OF NAVY RECORDS TO FURTHER  
IDENTIFY PRITCHETT.

STAFFORD HAS REQUESTED THAT HIS IDENTITY NOT BE DISCLOSED  
OUTSIDE OF BUREAU.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS. P.

ONE COPY WILL BE SENT TO BIRMINGHAM AND MEMPHIS BY

MAIL

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FBI BIRMGHAM

825PM URGENT 4-11-68 HEP

TO DIRECTOR (44-38861), ATLANTA, MOBILE, MEMPHIS (44-1987)  
FROM BIRMINGHAM 2P

MURKIN

INFORMATION SET FORTH HEREINAFTER WAS OBTAINED ON HIGHLY  
CONFIDENTIAL BASIS. IT PERTAINS TO TELEPHONE CALLS PAID FOR AT A  
PUBLIC PAY STATION IN IMMEDIATE VICINITY OF ROOMING HOUSE AT WHICH  
OTHER INDIVIDUALS OTHER THAN SUSPECT ERIC STARVO GALT HAD ACCESS.  
SUSPECT RESIDED AT TWO SIX ZERO EIGHT HIGHLAND AVENUE, SOUTH,  
BIRMINGHAM AUGUST - OCTOBER SIXTYSEVEN. GALT IS WHITE MALE, BORN  
[REDACTED] FIVE FEET ELEVEN, ONE SEVENTYFIVE  
POUNDS, BLUE EYES, BROWN HAIR. DISCREETLY CONDUCT INVESTIGATION  
AT LOCATIONS INDICATED BY SUBSCRIBERS BELOW, AND IT IS IMPERATIVE  
BACKGROUND INFORMATION BE DETERMINE ON GALT.

MOBILE: ON SEPTEMBER TWENTYEIGHT LAST CALL LASTING SIXTEEN  
MINUTES MADE TO FOUR FIVE TWO - ONE FOUR ONE TWO SUBSCRIBER BEING  
LLOYD GRADY GORUM, SIX THREE EIGHT GEHRIG AVENUE, PRICHARD, ALA.  
ON OCTOBER FOUR LAST CALL AT FOUR THIRTYFIVE AM LASTING EIGHT MINUTES  
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MADE TO SIX SIX ONE - ZERO THREE TWO THREE LISTED TO THOMAS H. BROWN,  
THREE ZERO FIVE EIGHT WEST BROOKLINE DRIVE, MOBILE, ALABAMA.

ATLANTA: ON OCTOBER SIX LAST AT TWO FORTYFIVE PM, CALL LASTING  
THREE MINUTES MADE TO AREA CODE FOUR ZERO FOUR - TWO THREE TWO -  
NINE THREE FOUR THREE BELIEVED TO BE LISTED TO DARLING SCHOOL FOR  
BOYS ACCORDING TO NOTATION IN CONNECTION WITH THE CALL. SUBSCRIBER  
COULD NOT BE DETERMINED DEFINITELY AS ATLANTA OFFICE CLOSED AT HOUR  
CHECKED.

DETERMINE SUBSCRIBER AND HANDLE.

EXPEDITE INVESTIGATION, LOOKING TOWARD IDENTIFICATION  
OF GALT.. NO MENTION IS TO BE MADE THIS INVESTIGATION IN CONNECTION  
WITH MURKIN.

END

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FBI MOBILE

FBI BIRMGHAM

828PM URGENT 4-11-68 HEP

TO DIRECTOR (44-38861), JACKSON, JACKSONVILLE, MEMPHIS (44-1987),  
MOBILE, ATLANTA  
FROM BIRMINGHAM (44-1740) 2XX 3P

MURKIN

INVESTIGATION AT ECONOMY ROOMING HOUSE, TWENTYSIX ZERO EIGHT  
HIGHLAND AVENUE, BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA, SHOWS THAT ERIC S. GALT  
RESIDED ROOM FOURTEEN FROM AUGUST TWENTYSIX, SIXTYSEVEN, THROUGH  
OCTOBER SEVEN, SIXTYSEVEN. GALT WHILE IN BIRMINGHAM PURCHASED WHITE  
NINETEENNSIXTYSIX MUSTANG AND OBTAINED ALABAMA REGISTRATION AND  
DRIVER'S LICENSE USING THIS NAME. INDIVIDUAL USING NAME ERIC GALT  
DRIVING WHITE MUSTANG WITH ALABAMA LICENSE REGISTERED MOTEL, MEMPHIS,  
TENNESSEE, EVENING PRIOR TO ASSASSINATION AND CHECKED OUT OF MOTEL  
DAY OF ASSASSINATION. GALT CONSIDERED PRIME SUSPECT. REVIEW  
OF RECORDS ROOMING HOUSE TO DETERMINE GUESTS REGISTERED DURING  
PERTINENT PERIOD DISCLOSED THE FOLLOWING:

FORREST M. COLE, FOUR ZERO ONE EIGHT GASTIN OR GASTIS  
CIRCLE, JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI, RESIDED IN ROOMS NINETEEN AND 157-2627-89  
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EIGHTEEN FROM SEPTEMBER TWENTYSIX, SIXTYSEVEN TO OCTOBER THIRTYONE, SIXTYSEVEN; JAE E. BELL, TWENTYFIVE THIRTYSEVEN WYCLIFF DRIVE, PENSACOLA, FLORIDA, RESIDED IN ROOM TWENTYSIX FROM SEPTEMBER EIGHTEEN TO SEPTEMBER TWENTYFIVE, SIXTYSEVEN; MR. O. L. BLACK, ROUTE FIVE, BOX TWO TWO SEVEN, ANDALUSIA, ALABAMA, RESIDED IN ROOMS EIGHTEEN AND TWENTYNINE FROM SEPTEMBER SEVENTEEN TO SEPTEMBER TWENTYFOUR, SIXTYSEVEN; AUSTIN SToudenMIRE, THREE FOUR EIGHT DOSTER STREET, PRATTVILLE, ALABAMA, RESIDED IN ROOM TWENTYTWO FROM SEPTEMBER TWENTY THROUGH OCTOBER ELEVEN, SIXTYSEVEN; JAMES E. WELDON, ROUTE FOUR, BOX SEVENTYTHREE, OPELIKA, ALABAMA, RESIDED IN UNKNOWN ROOM FROM SEPTEMBER SEVENTEEN, SIXTYSEVEN, THROUGH SEPTEMBER TWENTY EIGHT, SIXTYSEVEN. OWNER UNABLE TO STATE POSITIBVELY IF ABOVE IS CORRECT ADDRESS FOR JAMES WELDON; DANIEL OR DAVID LEE SMITH, SEVEN ZERO EIGHT SOUTH EIGHTIETH STREET, ATLANTA, GEORGIA, RESIDED IN ROOM EIGHTEEN FROM OCTOBER FIVE, SIXTYSEVEN TO OCTOBER EIGHTEEN, SIXTYSEVEN.

ALL OFFICES INTERVIEW ABOVE INDIVIDUALS UTILIZING ARTIST DRAWING  
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SENT THIS DATE FOR POSITIVE INFORMATION CONCERNING GALT'S PRESENT WHEREABOUTS AND DETERMINE ANY ACQUAINTANCES, CONTACTS, OR PLACES GALT MAY HAVE FREQUENTED WHILE IN BIRMINGHAM.

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RE MEMPHIS TT ELEVEN FIFTYSIX PM, FOUR TEN SIXTYEIGHT.  
WILBUR N. HESTER - NOT WILLIAM HESTER - ONE ZERO NINE  
FORREST AVENUE, TROY, ALA., ADVISED HE SPENT NIGHT OF APRIL FOUR,  
SIXTYEIGHT AT ROOM THREE FIVE, REBEL MOTEL, MEMPHIS, TENN.  
HESTER IS EMPLOYEE OF U. S. POST OFFICE, TROY, ALA. ON OFF DAYS,  
THURSDAYS, HE FREQUENTLY OPERATES TRUCKS FOR TROY CONCERNS. ON  
APRIL FOUR, HE TOOK A LOAD OF CHEMICALS FROM CHEVRON CHEMICAL  
CO. TO SWIFT AND CO., MEMPHIS, TENN. HE CHECKED IN REBEL MOTEL  
ABOUT EIGHT PM, HAVING ALREADY HEARD OF KING MURDER AT LOCAL  
SERVICE STATION. HESTER CHECKED OUT OF MOTEL ABOUT FIVE THIRTY  
AM, APRIL FIVE, AND RETURNED TO TROY AFTER DELIVERING CHEMICALS  
TO SWIFT AND CO. <sup>DID NOT</sup> HESTER ~~DERIES~~ OBSERVING WHITE MUSTANG AT MOTEL  
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AND DENIES ANY CONTACT WITH OTHER OCCUPANTS OF MOTEL. HE WAS  
ALONE.**

**MEMPHIS NOTE THAT HESTER'S ACCOUNT REFLECTS HE DID NOT  
ARRIVE AT MOTEL UNTIL SEVERAL HOURS AFTER SUSPECT GALT REPORTEDLY  
CHECKED OUT OF MOTEL.**

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