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ADVISED HE NEVER REPORTED CARD STOLEN OR LOST. PHILADELPHIA ADVISE HUMBLE OIL AND REFINING COMPANY OF RECOVERY.

NO FURTHER INVESTIGATION RE MOORE REQUESTED.

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Via TELETYPE URGENT

TO:

BIRMINGHAM (44-1740)

FROM:

MOBILE (157-2627)

MURKIN. OO MEMPHIS.

RE BIRMINGHAM TEL MAY NINE INSTANT AND MOBILE
TEL TO THE BUREAU AND BIRMINGHAM MAY TEN INSTANT, SETTING
FORTH INFORMATION CONCERNING BOYD RAY HILLEY, MONROEVILLE, ALA.

ON MAY THIRTEEN INSTANT, MRS. JEANETTE WIGGINS, CLERK, MONROEVILLE TELEPHONE CO. (PROTECT IDENTITY), ADVISED THAT HILLEY HAD NUMBER SEVEN FOUR THREE DASH SEVEN TWO THREE SIX FOR OVER A YEAR UNTIL FEB. TWELVE LAST.

JOHN LEE BETTS, POSTMASTER, MONROEVILLE, ALA.,

(PROTECT IDENTITY), ADVISED SAME DATE HAS CHANGE OF ADDRESS

CARD FOR HILLEY, FEB. LAST, REFLECTING ADDRESS RT. FIVE,

BOX SIX, JASPER, ALA.

THE CONTACTS LISTED IN RE TEL WERE ACTING CHIEF OF POLICE, JIM CAVE, AND SHERIFF CARL WATSON, BOTH CONTACTED BY

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	SA ARNOLD C. MERROW, MAY TEN INSTANT, ATMORE.
	AS HILLEY NOW LIVING WITHIN BIRMINGHAM DIV., NO
	FURTHER ACTION BEING TAKEN AT MOBILE, AND NO INSERT BEING
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PROM:

SAC, MOBILE (157-2627) (P)

SUBJECT:

MURKIN OO:NE

> RE: GUESTS REGISTERED AT PROVINCIAL MOTEL, 1024 CHARTRES ST., NEW ORLEAMS, LOUISIANA, DECEMBER 17-19, 1967

Re New Orleans airtel to Memphis, 5/7/68, one copy of which is enclosed herewith to El Paso.

On 5/10/68, Mr. ELMORE SONNIER, 301 Woodlands Avenue, Mobile, advised that his daughter and son-in-law, Captain and Mrs. HEMRY J. SHERRILL, stayed at the Provincial Motel in New Orleans during December 1967, and are now residing at 2500 Nations Avenue, El Paso, Texas, telephone 565-5332, where Captain SHERRILL is presently stationed.

El Paso at El Paso, Tex., will interview Captain and Mrs. H. J. SHERRILL, in line with the instructions contained in enclosed airtel.

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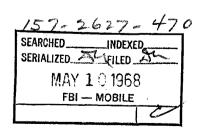
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> EASTERN AIR LINES (EAL) FLIGHTS OUT OF ATLANTA APRIL 5-12, 1968

The following investigation was conducted at Mobile, Alabama, on May 9, 1968, by SA JOSEPH T. BOSTON:

The Mobile city and telephone directories reflect that NORMAN J. WALTON resides at 4950 Princeton Drive, telephone number 342-5542, and is a partner in the operation of J. S. Walton and Company Contractors, 851 Howell's Ferry Road, telephone number 344-0282.

NORMAN J. WALTON has been personally known to SA BOSTON for a number of years and is known to presently be the Assistant State Adjutant General of the Alabama National Guard, with rank of Brigadier General. WALTON, when contacted on May 9, 1968, verified that he was on Eastern Air Lines flight from Mobile, Alabama to Atlanta, Georgia, April 12, 1968, and from Atlanta to Augusta, Georgia the same date, returning the same route to Mobile on April 15, 1968, having been to Augusta to see the Masters Golf Tournament.



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TO:

SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)

FROM:

SAC, MOBILE (157-2627)

RE:

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EASTERN AIR LINES (EAL) FLIGHTS OUT OF ATLANTA APRIL 5-12, 1968

Miami teletype to Bureau, 9:12 P.M., 5/8/68.

Enclosed herewith for Memphis are 15 copies of investigative insert reflecting investigation conducted at Mobile, Alabama, concerning the travel listed for W. J. WALTON, It is noted the initials should be N. J. WALTON, as the individual involved is NORMAN J. WALTON.

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on may eleven instant. Charles v. Clark. Portytvo Hundred ESPOSITO PLACE, PRINCE GEORGE COUNTY, VA., APPEARED PETERSBURG RA. CLARK ADVISED HIS DAUGHTER VAS TOLD BY A MEIGHBOR'S CHILD THAT SHE HAD OVERHEARD HER PARENTS MENTION THAT PRI INQUIRY WAS MADE RE OCCUPANTS OF FORTYTWO HUNDRED ESPOSITO PLACE. CLARK ACCOMPANIED AT RA BY ROBERT BRITTON, HIS STEPSON. CLARK REQUESTED IMPO WHETHER PBI INQUIRY MADE AND PURPOSE OF SAME. BRITTON STATED PATEER, THOMAS THE TOTAL IS A PAROLEE AND HE SPECULATED AUTHORITIES POSSIBLY LOOKING FOR HIS PATHER. DUTY AGENT AT PETERSBURG RA ADVISED CLARK AND EXITTEN THAT HE HAD NO KNOWLEDGE OF REPORTED PRI INQUIRY. CLARK REQUESTED HE BE ADVISED IF INQUIRY MADE AND PURPOSE.

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#### TELETYPE

TO:

DIRECTOR (44-38861) AND CHICAGO (44-1114)

FROM:

MEMPHIS (44-1987)

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RE CHICAGO TELETYPE TO BUREAU, MAY TEN, LAST, CONCERNING ROBERT WAYNE PHILLIPS.

RECORDS MEMPHIS OFFICE REVEAL THAT IN OCTOBER,
FIFTY EIGHT, MEMPHIS CONDUCTED INVESTIGATION
CONCERNING ROBERT WAYNE PHILLIPS, IDENTICAL WITH
PHILLIPS MENTIONED RETEL, ON ITSMY AND ITSP CHARGES.
AGAIN IN FEBRUARY, SIXTY, MEMPHIS CONDUCTED INVESTIGATION
RE PHILLIPS ON ITSMY CHARGES. NO ITSMY VIOLATIONS
WERE SUBSTANTIATED AND NO PROSECUTION RE ITSP INVESTIGATION
WARRANGED DUE TO TRUE NAME VARIETY OF CHECKS CASHED
BY PHILLIPS.

RECORDS AVAILABLE MEMPHIS FAILED TO REFLECT ANY

KKK ACTIVITY ON PART OF KARL MURPHY, JR., PBI NO.

FIVE FOUR THREE ONE SIX SEVEN B. IN ADDITION TO

1-Atlanta (44-2386) (AM)
1-Birmingham (44-1740) (AM)
1-Jackson (157-9686) (AM)
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THE INFORMATION DEVELOPED RE MURPHY IN THE CASE
ENTITLED "BALL COOPER BOURLAND; ET AL; OOJ; OO: ME,"
MEMPHIS RECORDS REFLECT CONSIDERABLE INFORMATION RE
MURPHY'S ILLEGAL LIQUOR ACTIVITY IN LEE COUNTY, MISS.
MO IMPORMATION DEVELOPED RE MURPHY'S ACTIVITIES BY
THE MEMPHIS DIVISION SUBSEQUENT TO JACKSON BEING
MADE A DIVISION. ATLANTA, BIRMINGHAM, JACKSON,
MORILE, NEW ORLEANS, ST. LOUIS ADVISED BY AM. ARMED
AND DANGEROUS. P. END.

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The following investigation was conducted by SA SPENCER H. ROBB on May 10, 1968, at Montgomery, Alabama:

Lt. Colonel and Mrs. WILLIAM P. FISHER, Quarters 610-A, Maxwell Air Force Base, Alabama, advised they arrived at the Provincial Motel about 6:30 PM, December 19, 1967, and departed early the next morning, and do not recall seeing any specific person during the time they were there. They viewed various photographs of JAMES EARL RAY, and stated they did not see this man in New Orleans or anywhere else.

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TO:

SAC, NEW ORLEANS (157-10673)

PROM:

SAC, MOBILE (157-2627) (P)

SUBJECT:

MURKIN CO: NR

> RE: GUESTS REGISTERED AT PROVINCIAL MOTEL, 1024 CHARTRES ST., NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA, DECEMBER 17-19, 1967

Reference is made to New Orleans airtel to Memphis, dated 5/7/68.

Enclosed herewith for New Orleans are eleven (11) copies of Investigative Insert reflecting interview with Lt. Col. and Mrs. WILLIAM P. FISHER, Montgomery, Ala., which insert New Orleans should include in its report.

Two copies of this insert are enclosed for Memphis for its information.

It is noted that the only other former guests of this motel at Mobile Office to interview are now located in El Paso, Texas, and the lead has been referred to El Paso.

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## Memorandum

TO

SAC, MOBILE (157-2627) (P)

DATE:

5/14/68

FROM

SA EDWARD A HEGSTETTER

SUBJECT:

MURKIN

Re Bureau teletype 5/2/68.

In accordance with referenced teletype, the following laundries, and dry cleaning establishments in the Mobile area were contacted by the writer during the period of May 7-10, 1968:

> A A Cleaners 905 South Wilson Avenue Prichard, Alabama (Mr. P. ALDRIDOH)

Aladdin Cleaners 2262 Pleasant Valley Road Mobile, Alabama (Mrs. M. McCRARY)

Arrow Cleaners and Laundry Gulfdale ShoppingsCenter Mobile, Alabama (Mrs. J. A. MELTON)

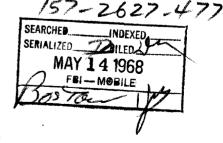
Arrow Cleaners and Laundry 1314 Dauphin Island Parkway Mobile. Alabama (RUTH WALKER)

Bay City Cleaners 2062 Saint Stephens Road Mobile, Alabama (Mrs. BOULWARE)

Burch's Cleaners and Laundry 603 Holcomb Avenue Mobile, Alabama (Mrs. MILDRED MAHER)

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Burch's, Incorporated 2510 Navco Road Mobile, Alabama (Mrs. M. K. BURCH)

Coinway Laundry and Cleaners 622 South Broad Mobile, Alabama (BOBBY SPENCER)

Drive-In Cleaners 2126 Dauphin Island Parkway Mobile, Alabama (ALLISON NOWLING)

Edwards Cleaners 1304 Virginia Street Mobile, Alabama (Mrs. L. EDWARDS)

Chinn Cleaners and Laundry 708 South Broad Mobile, Alabama (MARY UPPENA)

Chinn Cleaners and Laundry 105 North Conception St. Mobile, Alabama (Mrs. SCARSBOUGH)

Chinn Cleaners and Laundry 665 South Conception Street Mobile, Alabama (no longer in business at this location)

Chinn Cleaners and Laundry 407 Dauphin Island Parkway Mobile, Alabama (MARY CREWS)

Chinn Cleaners and Laundry 361 Saint Louis Street Mobile, Alabama (AMELIA BENTON) Chinn Cleaners and Laundry 603 South Washington Avenue Mobile, Alabama (MATTIE KENDRICK)

Fain Andrews Cleaners 123 Telegraph Road Chickasaw, Alabama (LOUIS PITTS)

Gulf City Cleaners 105 A Dauphin Street Mobile, Alabama (MARY SCANDIEN)

Gulf City Cleaners 363 Dauphin Island Parkway Mobile, Alabama (Mrs. A. T. FAUST)

Herbert's Cleaners 205 South Jackson Mobile, Alabama (HERMAN HAMMAC)

Holt's Cleaners 722 North Prichard, Avenue Prichard, Alabama (Mr. J. E. MURPHY)

Imperial Laundry and Cleaners 905 Congress Street Mobile, Alabama (Mrs. G. C. DURY)

Store 19, Imperial Laundry and Cleaners (Mrs. ATCHISON)

Imperial Laundry and Cleaners 214 North Royal Street Mobile, Alabama

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Kelly's Cleaners 2339 Dauphin Island Parkway Mobile, Alabama (Mrs.R\*E\* BUCKELEW)

Kelly's Cleaners 1303 Michigan Avenue Mobile, Alabama (Mrs. BOBBY McCOY)

Masters Cleaners 603 Houston Street Mobile, Alabama (Mr. F. E. HARTFORD)

Norman Service Cleaners, Incorporated 457 Dauphin Island Parkway Mobile, Alabama (OPEL RICHARDSON)

New-Way Laundry and Dry Cleaners 11 North Warren (out of business at this location)

One-Hour Martinizing Cleaners 956 Michigan Avenue Mobile, Alabama (OTO RAMSEY)

Palace Laundry and Dry Cleaners 701 Saint Anthony Mobile, Alabama (Mrs. N. CALMANZ)

Palace Laundry and Dry Cleaners 1115 North Craft Highway (MARY OLDRID)

Palace Laundry and Dry Cleaners 1981 Saint Stephens Road (A. BONNER) Paragon Cleaners 2222 Dauphin Island Parkway Mobile, Alabama (MARY STOKELY)

Perkins' Cleaners 1814 Telegraph Road (Mrs. J. B. BELL)

ROLAND's Claeners 217 North Craft Highway Chickasaw, Alabama (Mrs. J. B. DAVIDSON)

Sam Joy Laundry Cleaners 407 South Broad Street Mobile, Alabama (Mrs. E. WATTS)

San Joy Laundry Cleaners 775 Holcomb Avenue Mobile, Alabama (Mrs. A. RUSSELL)

Sam Joy Lauridry Cleaners 211 North Lafayette Mobile, Alabama (Mrs. R. C. MANN)

Sam Joy Laundry Cleaners 457 Beaugard Street Mobile, Alabama (MARY TAYLOR)

Shamrock Laundry and Cleaners 322 South Craft Highway (Mrs. H. B. WALTERS)

Silver Leaf Cleaners 766 South Hamilton Mobile, Alabama (FRED MAYES)

Splendid Cleaners 15 North Craft Highway Prichard, Alabama (Mrs. ANITA WHITEHURST) Spotless Cleaners 766 South Broad Street Mobile, Alabama (MABEL F. O'CONNOR)

Star Cleaners 255 North Hamilton (Mrs. DOROTHY ALEXANDER)

Swiss Cleaners 810 Dauphin Island Parkway Mobile, Alabama (EVELYN CONAWAY)

Troy Laundry and Dry Cleaners 66 Saint Emanuel Mobile, Alabama (Mrs. J. BOWEN)

U-Wanta Cleaners 59 North Royal Street Mobile, Alabama (Mrs. R. D. HALLETT)

Vanity Cleaners 501 South Broad Street Mobile, Alabama (Mrs. LOIS HAMM)

Victory Cleaners 1204 Springhill Avenue Mobile, Alabama (GRACE TANNER)

Victory Cleaners 2266 Saint Stephens Road (DOROTHY SMITH)

The following asundries and dry cleaning establishments were contacted by SA ROBERT D. CAMPBELL on May 10, 1968:

Couch Cleaners
841 Saint Stephens Road
Prichard, Alabama
(THOMAS E. COUCH)

Rolands Cleaners 828 Saint Stephens Road (Mrs. MILDRED A. PHILLIPS)

Victory Cleaming Company 3 3809 Saint Stephens Road (Mrs. L. B. SMITH)

Chinn Cleaners and Laundry 360 North Craft Highway (EVENCOLLINS)

Perkins Cleaners 418 Dunlopp Circle Prichard, Alabama (Mrs. G. L. STRONG)

Paragon Cleaners 669 Stanton Road (Mrs. MYRA REEVE)

Sam Joy Lauridry 802 Dublin (Mrs. GRACE ADAMS)

The following laundries and dry cleaning establishments in the Mobile area were contacted by SAeMIGHAEL E. STROH, during the period of May 7-10, 1968:

Paragon Cleaners 280 South McGregor Mobile, Alabama (SHELLY WALLER)

Swixx Cleaners
332 South McGregor Avenue
Mobile, Alabama
(LILLY BRIGAULD)
(ROSALEE NAPIER)

Chin Cleaners 3756 Airport Blvd. Mobile, Alabama (MARY LOU BATES) Chin Cleaners 2954 Springhill Avenue Crighton Shopping Center Mobile, Alabama (Mrs. B. E. McCLURE)

One Hour Martinizing 24 Springdale Shopping Center Mobile, Alabama (ARCHIE LONG)

Chin Cleaners 4417 Old Shel Road Mobile, Alabama (Mrs. H. H. WILLIAMS)

Springhill Cleaners 5 South McGregor Mobile, Alabama (JUANITA ELDRIDGE)

Chin Cleaners 454 Azalea Road Mobile, Alabama (Mrs. R. C. WILKENSON)

Burch's Cleaners and Laundry 3993 Cottage Hill Road Mobile, Alabama (Mrs. EARL J. WRIGHT)

Swiss Cleaners Cloverleaf Plaza Mobile, Alabama (BARBARA HARRISON)

Chin's Branch 18 2322 Saint Stephens (Mrs. JUANITA GONE)

Imperial Laundry Saint Stephens Road (ALINE BONNER) Chin Cleaners Branch 26 Saint Stephens Road (IAURA McBRIDE)

Chin Cleaners 1305 Springhill Avenue Mobile, Alabama (Mrs. CECIL BITNER)

Chin Cleaners 1701 Dauphin Street Mobile, Alabama (Mrs. LOIS BURDICK)

Swiss Cleaners Old Government Street Mobile, Alabama (RUBY IEONARD)

Tic Tok Cleaners 2202 Government Street Mobile, Alabama (JUDY SPAKE)

Chin Cleaners
Pleasant Valley Shopping Center
Mobile, Alabama
(Mrs. ELEN O'SHEA)

Kelly's Highway 90 Mobile, Alabama (MARIE LARTIGUE)

Chin Cleaners 6452 Highway 90 Mobile, Alabama (LILLIAN WALTMAN)

Gulf City Cleaners 6440 Highway 90 Drive Mobile, Alabama (EVELYN GULSBY)

Swiss Cleaners Cloverleaf Plaza Mobile, Alabama (RUBY ROCKHOLD) Sam Joy Cleaners 551 South Wilson Avenue Mobile, Alabama (Mrs. EDDIE MURPHY)

Ashbee Cleaners 2815 Springhill Avenue Mobile, Alabama (Mrs. T. W. ASHBEE)

Bel Air One Stop 400 Bel Air Blvd. Mobile, Alabama (LINNIE CALKINS)

Drive-In Cleaners 3099 Old Shell Road Mobile, Alabama (VONCILE McCALL)

Chin Cleaners 4815 Moffat Road (BLANCHE HARRISON)

Loop Cleaners 2102 Airport Blvd. Mobile, Alabama (MARIE BURCH)and ARM AND A

One Hour Martinizing Springdale Plaza Mobile, Alabama (ANN SMITH)

Pride Cleaners Number 2 3054 Old Shell Road Mobile, Alabama (MARGARET NALL)

Sam Joy 2754 Springhill Mobile, Alabama (J. R. WALLS)

Spic and Span (Orchid Cleaners) 2064 Oldr Shell Road Mobile, Alabama (EDITH MOLPUS) Suburban Cleaners 450 Azalea Road Mobile, Alabama (Mrs. PEENIE SWAITE)

Suburban Cleaners 5448 Ziegler Mobile, Alabama (ALICE PAUL)

Tolbert Daniels Cleaners 152 North McGregor Mobile, Alabama (Mrs. MARGARET DANIELS)

Village Cleaners 1500 Overlook Road (BEVERLY BONDS)

Waites Laundry and Cleaner 2514 Old Shell Road Mobile, Alabam (ELLA ENFINGER)

Sam Joy Cleaners 1400 Saint Stephens Road Mobile, Alabama (CHRISTINA)CAMPBELL)

Sonier's South Florida Street Mobile, Alabama (EVELYN BURNHAM)

Drive-In Cleaners 1718 Hurtel Street Mobile, Alabama (SMAESSWENSON)

Troy Cleaners 2065 Old Shell Road Mobile, Alabama (JEAN REGAN)

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Swiss Cleaners 810 Fulton Road (HELEN HOWELL)

Swiss Cleaners 157 South Florida Street Mobile, Alabama (Mrs. ANN WILSON)

Virginia Ann Cleaners 508 South Ann Street Mobile, Alabama (BESSIE BOTT)

Pride Cleaners 117 Upham (JUANITA REEVES)

Central Cleaners (No longer in operation)

It is to be noted that laundries and dry cleaning establishments located within the heart of the Negro ghettoes were not contacted; however, those establishments on the fringe areas were convered.

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AIRMAIL

TO:

DIRECTOR, FEI (44-38861)

PROM:

SAG, MOBILE (157-2627) (P)

SUBJECT: MURKIN

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(00: Memphis)

Reference is made to Bureau teletype to all offices, 4/29/68, instructing that law enforcement agencies maintaining latent fingerprints be contacted and requested to compare the fingerprints of subject RAT as set forth on the IO with latents obtained since 4/23/67.

Gontacts with appropriate police departments in the Mobile area have been made and it has been determined that the Mobile police department, Opelika police department, Montgomery police department and Dept. of Public Safety, maintains latent fingerprints. They have been requested to compare these against RAY's fingerprints and have advised that this comparison has been made with negative results.

Details of these contacts have been recorded in Mobile file, and in view of the negative nature no insert is being submitted.

#### ARMED AND DANGEROUS

3 - Bureau 2 - Memphis (44-1987) 2 - Mobile ADDENDUM: SA EVELAND's investigation recorded in serial 419 and SA ROBB's investigation in serial 448.

Capt. WENDELL STOWE, Ident. Div. MO
PD, was requested to conduct such comparisons on 4/30/68 and on 5/9/68, he reported to SA BOSTON that this comparison had been made with negative results.

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#### ADDENDUM CONTINUED

On 4/30/68, SA FRYE advised that contact with Capt. FRANK LA PORTE, Ident. Division, Selma PD, reflected that no unidentified latent fingerprints are maintained by that department.

On 4/30/68, Lt. JAMES E. DEAL (NA) advised SA MAXWELL that the Dothan PD maintains no unidentified latents obtained since 4/23/67

SAC, BIRMINGHAM

SAC. MOBILE (157-2627) (P)

MURKIN CR (OO: ME)

Re telephone call from SAC GAMBLE, Birmingham, Ala., to Montgomery RA, 5/13/68; telephone call of SA SAUCIER, Birmingham Office to Montgomery RA, 5/14/68.

Enclosed to the Birmingham Office is Xerox copy of Driver's License Application for OLIVER HOUSEL UNANGST, license number 2790801. The Application contains results of eye examination for this individual by Dr. AcCOY, Birmingham, Ala.

The records of the Ala. Driver's License Div., were checked by SA MYRON G. TURNER at Montgomery, Ala., on 5/13/68, and the copy was obtained 5/14/68.

Mrs. GERTRUDE KING, of the Driver's License Division, furnished the record for UNANGST and the address given by him when he applied for the license on 2/28/67, was 1626 16th Ave., So., Birmingham, Ala. He is described as a W/M, DOB 6' 1", 160 pounds, eyes gray, hair brown, occupation spray painter for Shotts and Smith Construction Co. When he took the test he was driving a 1962 Plymouth with 1967 Ala. license 1A-69941. It was reflected that he previously had a Georgia Driver's License 0-307953.

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## Memorandum

TO

SAC (157-2627)(P)

DATE:

5/13/68

FROM

SA MICHAEL E. STROH

SUBJECT:

MURKIN (OO: ME)

Re Office Memo, dated 5/6/68.

On 5/9/68, JAMES CARROLL advised that the man who rented the 1968 Chevrolet Chevelle Malibu from Econo Car, 2100 Government St., Mobile, on 3/28/68 was not identical with Subject JAMES EARL RAY. CARROLL advised after observing the photos of RAY, that the unsub, aka George M. Carpenter, who rented the vehicle was substantially younger than Subject RAY and did not in any way resemble him.

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# LOMAX POLL AND TRIBUNE

A Monthly Poll of Negro Opinion Quarterly Organ of Negro Thought and Opinion

Almena Lomax, Editor-Publisher

1215 S. Tremaine Los Angeles 90019, Calif.

938 - 8458, area code, 213

May 8, 1968

Mr. Lloyd Johnson Federal Bureau of Investigation 1340 W. 6th Street Los Angeles 90017

Dear Mr. Johnson:

Following this note are the names and addresses of whites, subscribers to my publication whom I thought might bear checking out in the case of the slaying of Dr. Martin Luther King.

If you don't mind a theory, you might consider the slaying in the same light as the bombing of the church in Birmingham in 1962, or '63. That was done for a purpose, to intimidate the Negroes bent on integrating the schools of Alabama that year, as a prelude to Gov. Wallace's standing in the schoolhouse door. Neither the church nor the children was the primary target, but the resolve of the Negroes.

There must have been many times when Dr. King could have been more, or as, convenien thy killed. I have no doubt that the purpose was achieved when the Negroes rioted after the assassination. The only question in my mind is who wanted the riots this time, the Wallace-ites, the leftwing, or even ambitious people in between.

In the event you think it was a "racist", or rightwing political killing, Montgomery, Mobile, and the small towns of Alabama might be a good place to look for Gault or Ray. Gault, by the way, rings a bell in my memory as a fairly common Alabama name. I have traveled and lived in Alabama the best part of the part 10 years. I know Mobile, Montgomery, Barbour County, Macon County and all the currounding counties very well. Alabama probably has the highest per capita White Citizens Council membership in the country, people who would bomb a church, burn a school, kill one or several people to make their point.

The Tuskeg-e names I am giving you I know to be white and in the main Council members, people who intended to get me, I have been that I continued publishing in Tuskegee, people who were almost always fulfill with that Segrest man who shot and killed Sammy Younge, Jr. in Tuskegee the year after I left and after he had taken up the cudgel -- with a lot less of the year after I left. The others I just think are white.

I also have a number of white liberal southerners, including the usual run of white leftwing southerners and a number of those on the Coast. I don't know whether I should list them or not. The left pretended to great devotion

Mr. Lloyd Johnson, 2

to Dr. King and raised money for him and gave to him liberally; but when it comes to whatever it is they want, a shift of power to themselves, to change the system, etc., I wouldn't trust them behind the shadow of a broomstick. I think they have made it very clear that they have a vested interest in the Negro riots.

Following are the names: (Date refers to when subscription entered)

Johnson, Samuel
Realty Mortgage Co.
Bank for Savings Bldg.
Birmingham, Ala.
1/4/65 mailed in

Simpson, Mr. Joseph W.
1924 Caleh Road
Birmingham 23, Ala. changed later to Box 7346
Paid by Mrs. Va. Simpson
2632 M t. Brook Parkway

Birmingham, Ala. 35223 (I seem to have left off the date of entry, but it was between Oct. and January of 1965)

Goggans, Harry I. 800 Barbour St. Eufaula, Ala. 10/24/64

> Paid by Robert Howard, Howard Cleaners, Highway 80, Tuskegee Goggans left Tuskegee and closed out his business, real estate, when the first Negro councilmen were elected. Howard is supposed to be very friendly to Negroes and pretended to great admiration of my efforts and often tried to get me to come to see him. But the Negroes do not trust him and advised me not to

Following all supposedly WCC members:

C. L. everett, 309 Couthside, Tuskegee, Ala.

Leon L. Bennett, Box 327, Tuskegee, Ala.

Mr. Boles, Box 417, Tuskegee, Ala.

Bob Dawson, 98 N. Maple, Tuskegee, Ala. (supposed friend of Negroes, but might know something and might talk.)

W. T. Cosgins, Box 608, Tuskegee, Ala.

W. G. Dyson, 301 E. Southside, Tuskegee, Ala.

J W. Ross, 308 S. Elm Street, Tuskegee, Ala.

Howard Rutherford, Tuskegee, Ala.

Harvey Sadler, Box 29%, Tuskegee, Ala.

Story Equipment Co., Tuskegee, Ala.

Thomas C. Story, Rt. 2, Tuskegee, Ala.

John E. Henderson, Rt. 1, Box 182, Tuskegee, Ala. State Senator Edward H. Reynolds, B ox 126, Notasulga, Ala.

W. L. Avant, Rt. 2, Union Strings, Ala. A. H. Clements, General Delivery, Notasulga, Ala. Charlie McMillon, Shortery Ala. Leonard R. Wilson, Box 947, Jasper, Ala.

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Mr. Lloyd Johnson, 3

F. C. Thompson, Box 44, Shorter, Ala.

Jim Giddings, 19F (or 7) North Meyer, Tucson, Ariz. /2/3/17 (Segred West, Place")

(I don't know whether the foregoing, after State Sen. Reynolds are white or Negro, or how or why they came to subscribe to the Tribune. Usually whites who are friendly identify themselves as such.)

Professional leftists who use the Negro cause, but who may or may not deserve my evil suspicions:

The Bradens, the Southern Patriot, 3210 W. Broadway (res. 4403 Virginia ave.) Louisville, Ky.

Southern Conference Education Fund, 822 Perdido st., New Orleans, La. 70112

Mr. and Mrs. Murry Wagner, 2401 Moreno Dr., Los Angeles 90039 Ewing G. Porter, 7370 Rosewood, Los Angeles 36 Atty. Ben Margolis, 3175 W. 6th street, Los Angeles John T. McTernan, same as above Mrs. Sylvia P. Miller, 165 S. Orange Drive, Los Angeles 36 Mrs. Madelyne Gerlach, 348 Norwich drive, Los Angeles 90048 Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Delacy, 6624 Fulton ave., Van Nuys, Calif. Henry Blankfort, 12659 Milbank, Studio City, Calif.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Almena Lomax

P. C: If you should wish any additional information, I will be in Berkeley at The Post until Saturday or Sunday, at home for sure Monday.

FBI .

Date: 5/14/68

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	FROM:	SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)	
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On 4/29/68, Mrs. LOMAX was contacted concerning the above individuals and stated she had had "second thoughts" and believed her theory that the above individuals might have had something to do with KING's assassination was a far-fetched idea. Mrs. LOMAX agreed to furnish a list of white subscribers.

On 5/10/68, the Los Angeles Office received a Special Delivery letter from Mrs. LOMAX, copies of which are enclosed for the Bureau and each office, in which she listed the names of people she believed or knew to be white, taken from the subscription list of the "Tuskegee Tribune".

There were no references known identical in the indices of the Los Angeles Office to any of the individuals in Alabama or the individual residing in Tucson, Arizona.

For the information of the Bureau, the following listed individuals residing in Los Angeles are on the Security Index of the Los Angeles Office.

HUGH DE LACY (Bufile 100-47062)

ATTY BEN MARGOLIS (Bufile 100-25130)

JOHN T. MC TERNAN (Bufile 77-29135)

MURRY WAGNER (Bufile 100-367824)

The following individuals listed by Mrs. LOMAX are on the Reserve Index - B of the Los Angeles Office:

MADELYNE GERLACH (Bufile 100-378387)

SYLVIA P. MILLER (Bufile 100-393768)

HENRY BLANKFORT, listed by Mrs. LOMAX, has been the subject of a security investigation by the Los Angeles Office (Bufile 100-262025).

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There were no references in the Los Angeles indices concerning one EWING G. PORTER; however, a check of the Cross Directory, Pacific Telephone Company, reflects one PORTER EWING resides at 7370 Rosewood Avenue, Los Angeles. EWING has not been the subject of an investigation by the Los Angeles Office; however, a review of references concerning him reflects his name was maintained on a card index by JOHN WESLEY HARRIS, JR., a member of the Executive Committee of the Los Angeles Progressive Labor Party, which card reflected EWING was a history professor at Los Angeles City College (LACC), was a sponsor of the Civil Rights Club on that campus, and was "friendly to PL".

The addresses of all the above individuals in the files of the Los Angeles Office were identical to the addresses furnished by Mrs. LOMAX.

Because the above individuals are on the Security Index, Reserve Index - B or have been the subject of a security investigation, and because PORTER EWING is a professor at LACC, no interviews of these individuals will be conducted by the Los Angeles Office, UACB, in the light of the remote nature of the allegation made by Mrs. LOMAX, and the possibility of embarrassment to the Bureau.

No further investigation is contemplated by the Los Angeles Office concerning Mrs. LOMAX' complaint, and any further information received from her will be promptly furnished to the Bureau.

#### LEADS

#### BIRMINGHAM

AT JASPER, ALABAMA: Will consider interviewing LEONARD R. WILSON at the address in the enclosed letter for any information he might have concerning the assassination of KING.

#### LA 44-1574

AT BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA: Will consider interviewing SAMUEL JOHNSON and JOSEPH W. SIMPSON at the addresses in the enclosed letter concerning any knowledge they might have of the assassination of KING.

#### LOUISVILLE

AT LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY: Will consider interviewing CARL and ANN BRADEN, apparent editors of "The Southern Patriot" as referred to on page three of enclosed letter for any information they might have concerning the assassination of KING.

#### MOBILE

AT EUFALA, ALABAMA: Will consider interviewing HARRY I. GOGGARS at the address in the enclosed letter for any information he might have concerning the assassination of KING.

AT NOTASULGA, ALABAMA: Will consider interviewing A. H. CLEMANTS and State Senator EDWARD H. REYNOLDS at the addresses in enclosed letter for any information they might possess concerning the assassination of KING.

AT SHORTER, ALABAMA: Will consider interviewing CHARLIE MC MILLON, no address, concerning his possible knowledge of the assassination of KING.

AT TUSKEGEE, ALABAMA: Will consider interviewing C. L. AVERETT, LEON L. BERNETT, MR. BOLES, BOB DAWSON, W. T. COGGINS, M. G. DYSON, JOHN E. HENDERSON, ROBERT HOWARD, J. W. ROSS, HOWARTH RUTHERFORD, HARVEY SADLER, owner of the Story Equipment Company, and THOMAS C. STORY for information they might have concerning the assassination of KING.

AT UNION SPRINGS, ALABAMA: Will consider interviewing W. L. AVANT for any information he might have concerning KINC's assassination.

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#### NEW ORLEANS

AT NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA: Will consider interviewing appropriate criticials of the Southern Conference Educational Fund, New Orleans, for any information they might have concerning the assassination of KING.

#### PHOENIX

AT TUCSON, ARIZONA: Will consider interviewing JTM GIDDHGS at the address set out on page three of enclosed letter for any information he might have concerning the assassination of KING:

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#### AT LILLIAN, ALABAMA

The following investigation was conducted May 2, 1968, by SA ALLISON A. CATLIN:

Telephone book covering Lillian, Alabama, a small community, reflects that telephone number 962-4761 is listed to CHARLIE SHOWERS of Lillian.

CHARLIE SHOWERS, a Negro male, septic tank installer, advised that he has telephone number 962-4761 and has had this number for several years. He recalls receiving a long distance call during the early morning hours during December 1967, which call was from his son in some place in Texas. He did not recall the point of origin of the call. He said his son was at that time en route home from California while serving in the military. SHOWERS was shown photographs of JAMES EARL RAY but could not identify photographs as of anyone he had seen and advised he has no information concerning anyone by that name or aliases used.

Mrs. CHARLIE SHOWERS advised she recalls receiving two long distance calls from out of the State of Alabama during December 1967 and both were from her son, who was in the military service and en route home from California. She could furnish no information concerning subject RAY.

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AIR MAIL

TO:

SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)

FROM:

SAC, MORILE (157-2627)(P)

SUBJECT:

MURKIN

(OO: MEMPHIS)

RE: TELEPHONE CALLS FROM COIN TELEPHONES EN ROUTE FROM LOS ANGELES TO NEW ORLEANS

Reference is made to Dallas teletype, 8:28 p.m., 5/1/68.

Enclosed for Memphis are 25 copies of insert reflecting investigation concerning the telephone number listed for Lillian, Ala., which investigation did not reveal any indicated connection with this case. A copy of the insert is furnished to New Orleans and Dallas for information.

#### ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

2-Memphis (Encs. 25)
1-Dallas (44-2649)(Enc. 1)(Info)
1-New Orleans (157-10678)(Enc. 1)(Info)
2-Mobile
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#### RE: JOSEPH CLAYTON MONTAGNE

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent JOHN C. McCLUNEY:

#### AT MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA.

On April 20, 1968, LUCILLE HASSEY, 130 West Patton Street, reported as follows:

RAYMOND M. HILBURN is known to her and her husband. He has visited them but has never actually resided at their address. A brother of HILBURN was formerly married to a daughter of HASSEY which brother was killed in the armed services.

HILBURN visited the HASSEYs for one day on April 17, 1968, but left on April 18, 1968. While there he mentioned that he would probably seek employment at Continental Gin Company at Prattville, Alabama, the following week. She does not know his present whereabouts or any future address for him. He has no relatives or known contacts at Montgomery, Alabama, but only at Chicago, Illinois.

#### AT PRATTVILLE, ALABAMA.

On April 22, 1968, ROY GOLDEN, Continental Gin Company, reported the following from his records:

RAYMOND M. HILBURN, 150 West Patton Street, Montgomery, Alabama, was employed from April 10-17, 1968, in the machine shop. His last known employment was Bills Standard Station, 3266 West Devon Avenue, Chicago, Illinois. He resigned and left no forwarding address.

#### AT MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA.

On April 24, 1968, RAYMOND M. HILBURN was interviewed at 130 West Patton Street, at which time he reported as follows:

On April 19, 1968, he traveled to New Orleans, Louisiana, in his white Corvair, Illinois license DG3109. South of Mobile, Alabama, he picked up a hitchhiker, JOSEPH

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(LAST NAME UNKNOWN). At Pascagoula, Mississippi, they were stopped by an officer of the police department. JOSEPH identified himself to the officer who said he resembled ERIC STARVO GALT.

On April 23, 1968, HILBURN left JOSEPH at New Orleans, Louisiana. JOSEPH was employed part-time as a bartender and was residing at the Music Box Lounge, 1900 Canal Street, New Orleans, Louisiana.

On April 26, 1968, RAYMOND M. HILBURN, 130 West Patton Street, was re-interviewed and reported as follows:

When he and JOSEPH (LAST NAME UNKNOWN) were stopped by the policeman at Pascagoula, Mississippi, on April 19, 1968, the policeman asked JOSEPH if he knew who he looked like. JOSEPH answered, "GALT" and said he had been stopped before in the vicinity of Mobile, Alabama. JOSEPH identified himself with a card of a merchant seaman.

HILBURN does not believe JOSEPH appears identical with subject JAMES EARL RAY.

At New Orleans, Louisiana, HILBURN left JOSEPH at the Music Box Lounge on Canal Street. JOSEPH was staying in an old school bus parked at the rear of the Music Box Lounge. The bus was owned by a white male about 60. That man had a wife about 20. The wife wore bluejeans, cowboy boots and appeared to be retarded mentally. This couple had a room at the rear of the lounge.

JOSEPH was a "wino". He did work part-time as a bartender at the lounge. He was working as a bartender when last seen by HILBURN at 4:30 a.m., April 21, 1968.

JOSEPH is known to DALE HALEY, white male, about 28, who resides at the hotel located next door to the Music Box Lounge.

HILBURN furnished the following description of JOSEPH:

Race Sex White Male

Age Height Weight Eyes

Complexion

Hair

Occupation

Build Characteristics Marital Status Sears and Marks Employment

35 or 36

175-180 pounds

Blue Fair

Blond or straw colored; uncombed and worn long Seaman; had Merchant

Marine card as identifica-

tion Muscular Stutters Unknown None noted

Unemployed but reportedly drawing unemployment at New Orleans, Louisiana, about \$40 a week

TO:

SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)

FROM:

SAC, MOBILE (157-2627) (P)

RE:

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(OO: MEMPHIS)

#### RE: JOSEPH CLAYTON MONTAGNE

Reference is made to Mobile airtel to Memphis 4/23/68, New Orleans teletype to Mobile 3:27 P.M., 4/25/68 and Mobile teletype to New Orleans 1:30 P.M., 4/26/68.

Enclosed herewith for Memphis are twenty-five copies and for New Orleans two copies of insert reflecting investigation Mobile Division concerning MONTAGNE.

#### ARMED AND DANGEROUS

2-Memphis (Encs. 25)

2-New Orleans (157-10678) (Encs. 2)

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

## Memorandum

TO

: RAs ROBB, FRYE, ROBINSON, EVELAND, MAXWELL, CREASON, MERROW and SA CATLIN

5/3/68 DATE:

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

SUBJECT:

MURKIN CR (OO: ME)

The Bureau has by teletype dated 5/2/68, noted that subject apparently was neat in his dress and regularly utilized laundry and dry cleaning services. Instructions were that we exhibit IOs and/or WFs of subject RAY to all laundry and dry cleaning establishments in Headquarters City and other logical points in this territory. It was suggested that establishments located in lower class rooming house areas be given first consideration.

It is noted that one pair of shorts and a T-shirt, believed property of subject's, recovered after the slaying, bore black laundry marks "02B-6" on red thermo seal tape. A sheet and pillow case found in an abandoned Mustang in Atlanta bore laundry marks "20R-3" on white thermo seal tape.

In this same connection Memphis has suggested in showing photograph of RAY to all laundries and dry cleaning establishments, consideration should be given to alerting these laundries and dry cleaning places concerning the above described tags, which may still be affixed to some of his clothing.

It is felt that this investigation should be conducted in addition to Headquarters City in each of the RA cities. SA CATLIN should conduct the same investigation at Bay Minette.

This investigation should be expeditiously covered and reported.

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