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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC (157-818)

DATE: 5/22/68

FROM : SA EDWARD P. O'CONNOR

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re memo Clerk RALPH GRANUCCI, 5/19/68.

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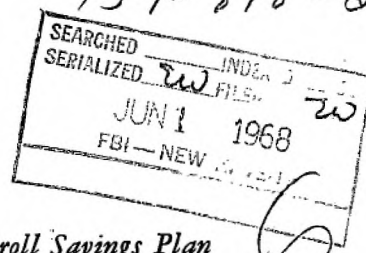
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<u>Atlanta, Georgia Division</u>			
RJS	Columbia, S. C.	364-00188-E	Bullard
The Register	Delray Beach, Fla.	364-00839-E	Marquette
Enterprises of America	Pinellas Park, Fla.	364-01459-E	"
His and Her Club	Savannah, Ga.	364-03123-E	Capps
ABC Publications	Hollywood, Fla.	364-03126-E	Marquette
Jean Marie	Orlando, Fla.	364-03137-E	"
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<u>Fort Worth, Texas Division</u>			
Sterling Action Club	Corpus Christi, Tx.	364-39986-E	Marsh
F and T	Fort Worth, Tx.	364-40081-E	"
?	Fort Worth, Tx.	364-40330-E	"
Horizons Correspondence Club	Dallas, Tx.	364-40389-E	"
<u>Boston, Massachusetts Division</u>			
Nutmeg Press	Grosvenor Dale, Ct.	364-23774-E	Allain
Kitten Club	North Adams, Mass.	364-30737-E	"
Action Relationships	Boston, Mass.	364-42967-E	"
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<u>Chicago, Illinois Division</u>			
Carlton Enterprises	Chicago, Ill.	364-01633-E	Hinckley
Social Exchange Publishing	" "	364-01637-E	"
Arnold J. Madiol	Grand Haven, Mich.	364-43568-E	Potts
Martin's	Detroit, Mich.	364-43569-E	"
Random House	Warren, Mich.	364-48063-E	Hinckley
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Vigo Villa	Terre Haute, Ind.	364-28234-E	Herzog
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Swinging Set	Kansas City, Mo.	364-11096-E	Fay
Club Lolita	Kansas City, Mo.	364-38211-E	Fay
<u>New York, New York Division</u>			
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Stonehill Studios	Berkeley Heights, NJ	364-48312-E	Kallies
<u>Saint Louis, Missouri Division</u>			
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Action	St. Paul, Minn.	364-47443-E	Gosnell
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Phi Pi Epsilon	Los Angeles, Cal.	364-44144-E	"
Modern Enterprises	Los Angeles, Cal.	364-44296-E	"
Japan International	Newport Beach, Cal.	364-44297-E	"
Remco	Las Vegas, Nevada	364-44337-E	"
Blue Star	Reno, Nevada	364-44412-E	Vanden Bosch
James L. Hubbel	Strathmore, Cal.	364-44539-E	" "
The Local Swinger	Downey, Cal.	364-44606-E	Poindexter
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Sir, Inc.	Van Nuys, Cal.	364-44661-E	"
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FROM: SAC, WFO (44-703) (P)

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Offices covering Headquarters divisions of Postal inspectors will contact division chiefs for addresses and other identifying information regarding the clubs listed and furnish such information to other FBI field offices for further investigation where appropriate.

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RE: PHONE CALLS MADE FROM PUBLIC
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INTERSTATE HIGHWAY 10,
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Re San Antonio airtel to Bureau dated 5/20/68.

The following investigation was conducted at Waterbury, Connecticut, by SA WILLIAM V. GRICKIS in connection with phone call from listing 223-7689, San Antonio, on December 17, 1967, to listing 203-754-6121 to a Miss JAMES, Room 319, Palace Hotel, Waterbury, Connecticut.

Mr. HENRY DESSUREAULT, Manager, Palace Hotel, 94 East Main Street, Waterbury, on May 27, 1968, advised a Mr. and Mrs. JAMES, first name unknown, registered at this hotel sometime in December, 1967, and remained until the middle of February, 1968. DESSUREAULT did not have the exact dates available at this time. It is to be noted that instant hotel does a considerable "vagrant" business and is a low-rated hotel.

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DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

5-31-68

SAC, NEW HAVEN (157-818) (P)

MURKIN

RE: PHONE CALLS MADE FROM PUBLIC
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INTERSTATE HIGHWAY 10,
DECEMBER 15-17, 1967,
SAN ANTONIO
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OO: MEMPHIS

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SAC (157-818) ATT: SA NAGLE

6-3-68

SA EDWARD F. STILES (P)

MURKIN

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC (157-818) ATT: SA NAGLE

DATE: 6-3-68

FROM : SA EDWARD F. STILES (P)

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT
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TO: ALL CRIMINAL AGENTS
FROM: SAC 157-818 P
SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 4/24/68

ReButel, 4/23/68.

Bureau has advised subject should be considered possible suspect in any unsolved bank robbery, burglary, or armed robbery (possible ITSP violation) occurring after April 23, 1967. RAY should also be considered suspect in any future such violations and Bureau advised telephonically of any tentative identification.

Any pertinent leads developed during review of past violations should be expeditiously run out and Bureau advised.

SUBJECT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT - MEMORANDUM

TO : ALL AGENTS

FROM : SAC C. E. WEEKS

SUBJECT: MURKIN

By teletype 4/24/68, Bureau instructed all offices should conduct appropriate investigation at all "hippie" rooming houses and similar establishments to obtain any information whatsoever concerning JAMES EARL RAY.

All Senior Resident Agents are requested to coordinate the above requested investigation.

The following designated agents should coordinate above investigation in pertinent areas as requested by the Bureau:

Headquarters City

Ansonia, Derby, Seymour	SAs HENDRICKS & BROWNE
Orange, Bethany, Woodbridge	SAs MC ANDREW & COSTIN
West Haven, Milford	SAs SENESAC and MACYS
Hamden, New Haven	SAs PUCKETT & SLIFKA
North Haven, Wallingford	SAs CONNOLLY & STONKO
Branford, East Haven, North Branford	SAs GLOSSA & SPELLINGS

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AIRTEL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
FROM: SAC, NEW HAVEN (157-818) (P)
SUBJECT: MURKIN
TELEPHONE BOOTHS, ST FRANCIS HOTEL,
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

Re: Los Angeles teletype to Bureau, 4/29/68.

The following telephone numbers were determined to have been called from telephone booths located in the St. Francis Hotel:

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February 26, 1968, Bridgeport, Conn., at 11:18 p.m. telephone number 336-4947, listed to ERIC PERSON, 6 Bloomfield Drive, Fairfield.

Indices of the New Haven Office negative re EDYK and PERSON.

RE: Telephone Number 336-4947

On 5/1/68, ERIC PERSON, above address and telephone number advised his phone number was called by brother-in-law, FRANK SATMAY, JR., who flew to Los Angeles, Cal., for a couple of days on 2/26/68. SATMAY called PERSON to ascertain telephone number of a friend in Los Angeles. PERSON stated SATMAY is unstable mentally.

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NH 157-818

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SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re JOHN W. YAGLENSKI - Suspect.

Re Bureau airtel to Richmond and New Haven, 4/30/68, and WFO airtel to Bureau, 4/9/68, cc: New Haven and Richmond.

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Mr. WILLIAM YAGLENSKI, father of the suspect, was contacted at his business on Padanaram Rd., Danbury, 4/12/68, at which time he advised JOHN W. YAGLENSKI has been employed for some three years with the Internal Revenue Office, Government Services Administration, Washington, DC, and lives at 232 Normandy Hill Dr., Alexandria, Va., is single, with business phone number in the Pentagon as OX3-9500 or OX7-8661.

Father noted that he is the owner of a 1964 Chevelle Malibu, two door hard-top, color blue, bearing Conn. dealers license plate DE-1803, which his son JOHN is in possession of at this time and of which his son has been the principal driver.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT - MEMORANDUM

TO : ALL CRIMINAL AGENTS

DATE: 5/3/68

FROM : SAC C. E. WEEKS

SUBJECT: MURKIN
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Subject JAMES EARL RAY, aka. was last known to be in the Atlanta, Georgia area on 4/5/68. Intensive investigation by Atlanta to date has not established mode of transportation RAY may have used after 4/5/68.

Investigation reflects subject RAY can be placed in the Atlanta, Georgia, area 3/24/68.

In view of the above, the Bureau has requested all offices review car recoveries within their respective territories of cars stolen from the State of Georgia subsequent to 3/23/68, and where the transporter of same is not otherwise eliminated or accounted for, consider subject RAY as suspect. Where there is any remote indication that subject RAY may have been person transporting such a car, exhaustive and intensive investigation should thereafter be conducted.

Agents handling stolen cars subsequent to 3/23/68 should review these files and furnish the file number of all cases wherein the automobile was stolen in Georgia subsequent to 3/24/68.

These leads should be expeditiously handled.

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cc: All Criminal Agents

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
FROM: SAC, NEW HAVEN (157-818) (P)
SUBJECT: MURKIN
(OO:ME)
Re RUTH C. JONES - Complainant

Re: Bureau airtel to New Haven, 5/13/68.

WILLIAM N. JONES, home address 557 Israel Hill Road, Shelton, Conn., who is a Freshman, residing in Room 416 Eaton House, University of Connecticut, Storrs, Conn., was contacted May 17, 1968, at which time JONES stated he went to Florida by hitchhiking during spring vacation from the University of Connecticut.

After arrival in Florida, he spent some time in early April, 1968, in Lake Alfred, visiting an aunt and thereafter visited Fort Lauderdale and Miami. He decided to visit the Florida Keys and on April 10, 1968, while he was hitch-hiking there, he was picked up in Marathon, Florida, by a white male driving an "old, beat up" foreign automobile, make unknown. Its color was greenish and fading. JONES advised during the ride the driver who did not reveal his identity, informed JONES he had been released from jail that day. This individual did not name the jail but JONES felt it was located in Miami, Florida. JONES stated that the man did not reveal why or for what period he was incarcerated. This individual stated that he was driving to Key West, Florida, seeking work.

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JONES stated he did not care to remain in the company of this individual and left the car at the first traffic light in Key West. He advised he had no definite reason to believe the driver was JAMES EARL RAY and he noted it was Mrs. JONES' idea to contact the FBI.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM: SAC, NEW HAVEN (157-818) (P)

SUBJECT: MURKIN
(OO:ME)
Re RUTH C. JONES - Complainant

Re: Bureau airtel to New Haven, 5/13/68.

WILLIAM N. JONES, home address 557 Israel Hill Road, Shelton, Conn., who is a Freshman, residing in Room 416 Eaton House, University of Connecticut, Storrs, Conn., was contacted May 17, 1968, at which time JONES stated he went to Florida by hitchhiking during spring vacation from the University of Connecticut.

After arrival in Florida, he spent some time in early April, 1968, in Lake Alfred, visiting an aunt and thereafter visited Fort Lauderdale and Miami. He decided to visit the Florida Keys and on April 10, 1968, while he was hitch-hiking there, he was picked up in Marathon, Florida, by a white male driving an "old, beat up" foreign automobile, make unknown. Its color was greenish and fading. JONES advised during the ride the driver who did not reveal his identity, informed JONES he had been released from jail that day. This individual did not name the jail but JONES felt it was located in Miami, Florida. JONES stated that the man did not reveal why or for what period he was incarcerated. This individual stated that he was driving to Key West, Florida, seeking work.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT - MEMORANDUM

TO : ALL AGENTS
FROM : SAC C. E. WEEKS
SUBJECT: MURKIN

For your information and investigative assistance, subject JAMES EARL RAY has been known to consort with prostitutes and "street bums." A photograph of subject was obtained from a prostitute in Mexico. This photograph showing subject wearing sunglasses was previously furnished to this office by the Bureau.

the above

All agents are to bear/in mind in your daily contacts with informants, officers of vice squads and prostitutes in covering leads in connection with this and other cases.

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INTRAOFFICE MEMO NO. 59

MAY 24, 1968

JGN/lrf

cc: 1-157-818
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1-SAC
1-ASAC
1-Supv. Hawley
1-Each Agent

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Richmond

✓ From: Director, FBI

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To:

☐ Director

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Att.:

☒ SAC NEW HAVEN

Title

MURKIN

☐ ASAC (157-818) (RM)

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BSfile 157-644

☐ Supv.

☐ Agent

☐ SE

☐ IC

☐ CC

☐ Steno

☐ Clerk

RE: WFOairtel to Bureau
5/31/68.

☐ Rotor #:

ACTION DESIRED

☐ Acknowledge

☐ Assign Reassign

☐ Bring file

☐ Call me

☐ Correct

☐ Deadline

☐ Deadline passed

☐ Delinquent

☐ Discontinue

☐ Expedite

☐ File

☐ For information

☐ Handle

☐ Initial & return

☐ Leads need attention

☐ Return with explanation or notation as to action taken.

☐ Open Case

☐ Prepare lead cards

☐ Prepare tickler

☐ Recharge serials

☐ Return assignment card

☐ Return file

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New Haven is requested to please note that under leads set forth for Boston Div. in list attached to reairtel is Nutmeg Press, Grosvenor Dale, Ct.

New Haven handle.

SAC

JAMES L. HANDLEY

Office

BOSTON

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6/6/68

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.TO: ALL SACS

FROM: DIRECTOR 061655 GR 325

MURKIN

FOR INFORMATION ALL OFFICES AND NOT TO BE DISCLOSED TO ANYONE OUTSIDE OF OFFICE IT HAS BEEN DETERMINED THROUGH INVESTIGATION THAT SUBJECT JAMES EARL RAY RESIDED IN CANADA FROM APRIL EIGHT SIXTY-EIGHT UNTIL MAY SIX SIXTY-EIGHT UNDER NAMES PAUL BRIDGMAN AND RAMON GEORGE SNEYD. SUBJECT DEPARTED CANADA FOR LONDON, ENGLAND, ON MAY SIX LAST. SNEYD IS BELIEVED USING CANADIAN PASSPORT IN THAT NAME. SUBJECT BELIEVED TO BE WEARING GLASSES.

IN VIEW OF ABOVE DEVELOPMENTS REVIEW OF DRIVER'S LICENSE BUREAU RECORDS AS REQUESTED IN BUREAU RADIOGRAM MAY TWO ONE LAST MAY BE DISCONTINUED.

OFFICES COVERING POINTS OF ENTRANCE INTO U.S. SHOULD PLACE APPROPRIATE STOPS WITH BORDER AND CUSTOM AUTHORITIES UNDER NAME OF RAMON GEORGE SNEYD. NO INDICATION WHATSOEVER SHOULD BE GIVEN THAT THERE IS ANY CONNECTION BETWEEN SNEYD AND KING ASSASSINATION. YOU MAY ADVISE AUTHORITIES THAT THERE IS INDIVIDUAL

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USING NAME OF SNEYD BEING SOUGHT BY FBI FOR UNLAWFUL
FLIGHT TO AVOID CONFINEMENT FOR CHARGE OF ROBBERY.

FOR INFORMATION OF BORDER OFFICES THERE IS
ACTUAL PERSON RESIDING IN TORONTO, CANADA, WHO IS
EMPLOYED BY TORONTO POLICE DEPARTMENT NAMED RAMON
GEORGE SNEYD. THIS INDIVIDUAL'S NAME AND DATE OF
BIRTH USED BY SUBJECT IN OBTAINING PASSPORT. THIS
IS FOR YOUR INFORMATION IN EVENT BORDER STOPS DISCLOSE
THAT INDIVIDUAL NAMED SNEYD IS ENTERING YOUR TERRITORY.
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