

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC 137-3108

DATE: 4-24-68

FROM : SA EARL Cox

☐ CI ☐ SI ☐ R (Prob)

☒ PCI ☐ PSI ☐ R

SUBJECT: RICHARD HOLMES SCOTT

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Dates of Contact 3/15; 4/10, 22/68		
Titles and File #s on which contacted JFK on 3/15/68		
JAMES EARL RAY (MURKIN) RM.		157-10673
Purpose and results of contact <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NEGATIVE <input type="checkbox"/> POSITIVE <input type="checkbox"/> STATISTIC		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating V, D	Coverage FUGITIVES
		157-10673-612 SEARCHED INDEXED SERIALIZED FILED APR 29 1968 FBI - NEW ORLEANS Callender

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Memorandum

TO : SAC NEW ORLEANS (137-3106)

DATE: 4/25/68

FROM : SA DELBERT W. HAHN

☐ CI ☐ SI ☐ R (Prob)

☒ PCI ☐ PSI ☐ R

SUBJECT: AGNUS KING,
PCI

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Dates of Contact	
4/2, 4/10, 4/24/68	
Titles and File #s on which contacted	
OLIVER KINCHEN, JR. - FUGITIVE	26-36991
MURKIN	157-10673
Purpose and results of contact	
<input type="checkbox"/> NEGATIVE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> POSITIVE <input type="checkbox"/> STATISTIC	
<u>OLIVER KINCHEN, JR.</u>	
On 4/10/68, KING advised that she had been to Big Mary's No. 3, a bar on Washington, a block from Charles Corner. She stated this bar is run by a woman called "BIG MARY". She further advised that there were several polaroid photos stuck in the mirror on the back bar which she believes are identical with the photograph of OLIVER KINCHEN, JR., which she was previously shown. She stated she had been in the bar on 4/9/68, about 7:00 P.M. and believes KINCHEN may have been standing outside the bar next to a white convertible with a white top possibly a Pontiac GTO. A Negro female was also leaning against the car talking to KINCHEN. She will return as often as possible.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating GOOD
Coverage General criminal	

On 4/24/68, KING was advised not to contact the office personally and stated she uses no other name but AGNUS KING or her maiden name AGNUS MARTIN.

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1 - 26-36991
① - 157-10673

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MURKIN

On 4/24/68, she was exhibited photos of JAMES EARL RAY and WALTER TERRY RIFE with negative results.

PCI advised she would enter Charity Hospital on 4/25/68, for the removal of a tumor and expects to be in the hospital for about ten days. She has been to Big Mary's Bar only once since last being contacted.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC NEW ORLEANS (137-1445)

DATE: 4/25/68

FROM : SA DELBERT W. HAHN

☐ CI ☐ SI ☐ R (Prob)

☒ PCI ☐ PSI ☐ R

SUBJECT: ALOYSIUS GARDIUS,
PCI

Dates of Contact 4/23/68		
Titles and File #s on which contacted MURKIN 157-10673		
Purpose and results of contact <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NEGATIVE <input type="checkbox"/> POSITIVE <input type="checkbox"/> STATISTIC MURKIN On 4/23/68, GARDIUS was exhibited photos of JAMES EARL RAY and WALTER TERRY RIFE and advised that neither were known to him nor had never been bonded by his bonding agency.		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating GOOD	Coverage Criminal Matters
1 - 137-1445 ① - 157-10673 DWH/kmt <i>kmt</i> (2)		<i>157-10673-614</i> SEARCHED <i>7</i> INDEXED <i>7</i> SERIALIZED <i>7</i> FILED <i>7</i> APR 26 1968 FBI - NEW ORLEANS <i>Callender</i>

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, NEW ORLEANS (137-3228)

DATE: April 27, 1968

FROM : SA PAUL A. GEOHAGEN

☐ CI ☐ SI ☐ R (Prob)

☒ PCI ☐ PSI ☐ R

SUBJECT: LUTHER ADAM WILLIAMS

☐

Dates of Contact <u>4/24/68</u>		
Titles and File #s on which contacted		
<u>MURKIN</u>	<u>NO 157-10673</u>	
<u>HOWARD CALLEN JOHNSON, aka - FUGITIVE</u>		
<u>IO 4039, HEAP - MURDER, TOP TEN FUGITIVE</u>	<u>NO 88-7134</u>	
<u>THEFT OF MI CARBINES, ET AL, CAMP</u>		
<u>BEAUREGARD, PINEVILLE, LA., 3/25-26/68,</u>		
<u>TGP - BURGLARY</u>	<u>NO 52-5867</u>	
Purpose and results of contact		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NEGATIVE <input type="checkbox"/> POSITIVE <input type="checkbox"/> STATISTIC		
PCI advised he had no pertinent information on the matters on which contacted.		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating <u>GOOD</u>	Coverage <u>TGP, FUDE, TFIS, ITSMV.</u>
SAME <u>157-10673</u>		

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1-88-7134 (GEOHAGEN)
1-52-5867 (PFEIFER)
PAG:mrh
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157-10673-615

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, NEW ORLEANS (137-3308)

DATE: April 27, 1968

FROM : SA PAUL A. GEOHAGEN

☐ CI ☐ SI ☐ R (Prob)

☒ PCI ☐ PSI ☐ R

SUBJECT: JAMES CAPTAIN

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Dates of Contact 4/24/68		
Titles and File #s on which contacted		
MURKIN		NO 157-10673
HOWARD CALLEN JOHNSON, aka - FUGITIVE,		
IO 4039, UFAP - MURDER, TOP TEN FUGITIVE		NO 88-7134
THEFT OF MI CARBINES, ET AL, CAMP BEAUREGARD,		
PINEVILLE, LA., 3/25-26/68, TGP - BURGLARY		NO 52-5867
Purpose and results of contact		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NEGATIVE <input type="checkbox"/> POSITIVE <input type="checkbox"/> STATISTIC		
PCI advised he had no pertinent information on the matters on which contacted.		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating GOOD	Coverage TGP, FUDE, WFIS, ITSMV.
SAME		

1-137-3308
1-88-7134 (GEOHAGEN)
1-52-5867 (PFEIFER)
PAG:mrh
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TO : SAC New Orleans (137-3179)

DATE: 4/25/68

FROM : SA Patrick R. Cooney

☐ CI ☐ SI ☐ R (Prob)☒ PCI ☐ PSI ☐ R

SUBJECT: Dee Fry

☐

Dates of Contact 4/3, 23/68		
Titles and File #s on which contacted		
Murkin	157-10673	
William Hyland, UFAP-GT	88-8075	
Purpose and results of contact		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NEGATIVE <input type="checkbox"/> POSITIVE <input type="checkbox"/> STATISTIC		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating Good	Coverage Fugs, WSTA
No weaknesses noted since last contacted		

1 - 137-3179

① 157-10673

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TO : SAC New Orleans (137-3079)

DATE: 4/25/68

FROM : SA Patrick R. Cooney

☐ CI ☐ SI ☐ R (Prob)☒ PCI ☐ PSI ☐ R

SUBJECT: Debbie Beshaa

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Dates of Contact

4/3, 23/68

Titles and File #s on which contacted

Murkin

157-10673

Michael Hyland, UFAP- GT

88-8075

Purpose and results of contact

☒ NEGATIVE☐ POSITIVE☐ STATISTIC☒ Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.

Rating

Good

Coverage

WSTA, Fugs, Gambling

No weaknesses noted since last contacted

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Memorandum

TO : SAC New Orleans (137-3080)

DATE: 4/25/68

FROM : SA Patrick R. Cooney

☒ CI ☐ SI ☐ R (Prob)

☐ PCI ☐ PSI ☐ R

SUBJECT: NO 1577-C

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Dates of Contact 4/3, 23/68		
Titles and File #s on which contacted Murkin		157-10673
William Hyland, UFAP-GT		88-8075
Purpose and results of contact <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NEGATIVE <input type="checkbox"/> POSITIVE <input type="checkbox"/> STATISTIC		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating Good	Coverage Fugs, Wsta, Gambling
No weaknesses noted since last contacted		SEARCHED INDEXED SERIALIZED FILED APR 27 1968 FBI - NEW ORLEANS Callender

1 - 137-3080

① - 157-10673

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Memorandum

TO : SAC New Orleans (137-3312)

DATE: 4/26/68

FROM : SA Patrick R. Cooney

☐ CI ☐ SI ☐ R (Prob)

☒ PCI ☐ PSI ☐ R

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SUBJECT: Charley Stevens

Dates of Contact

3/19, 4/16, 23/68

Titles and File #s on which contacted

Howard Sloan-Fug SSA, 48

25-22813

Clarence Wash, UFAP-Assault and Robbery

88-8139

Murkin

157-10673

Purpose and results of contact

☒ NEGATIVE

☐ POSITIVE

☐ STATISTIC

☒ Informant certified that he has
furnished all information obtained
by him since last contact.

Rating

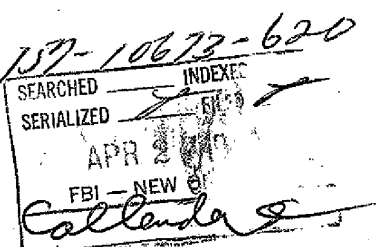
Good

Coverage

Fugs

No weaknesses noted since last
contacted

1 - 137-3312
1 - 88-8139
① - 157-10673



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Memorandum

TO : SAC New Orleans (137-3311)

DATE: 4/25/68

FROM : SA Patrick R. Cooney

☐ CI ☐ SI ☐ R (Prob)☒ PCI ☐ PSI ☐ R

SUBJECT: Davis Brown

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Dates of Contact

3/19, 4/16, 23/68

Titles and File #s on which contacted

Howard Sload - Eng, SSA, 48

25-22813

Clarence Wash, UFAP-Assault and Robbery

88-8139

Murkin

157-10673

Purpose and results of contact

☒ NEGATIVE☐ POSITIVE☐ STATISTIC☒ Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.

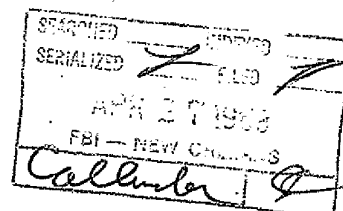
Rating

Good

Coverage

HUGs

No weaknesses noted since last contacted



① - 137-3311

1 - 88-8139

1 - 25-22813

① - 157-10673

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Memorandum

TO : SAC NEW ORLEANS (137-3383)

DATE: 4/25/68

FROM : SA DELBERT W. HAHN

☐ CI ☐ SI ☐ R (Prob)

☒ PCI ☐ PSI ☐ R

SUBJECT: SEYMOUR FINNEY,
PCI

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Dates of Contact		
4/23/68		
Titles and File #s on which contacted		157-10673
MURKIN		
Purpose and results of contact		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NEGATIVE		
<input type="checkbox"/> POSITIVE		
<input type="checkbox"/> STATISTIC		
<u>MURKIN</u>		
On 4/23/68, photos of JAMES EARL RAY and WALTER TERRY RIFE were exhibited with negative results.		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating Good	Coverage
① - 137-3383 ① - 157-10673 DWH/kmt		157-10673-622 SEARCHED INDEXED SERIALIZED FILED APR 25 1968 FBI - NEW ORLEANS Callender

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Memorandum

TO : SAC New Orleans (137-2731)

DATE: 4/24/68

FROM : SA JACK EVANS MEHL

☒ CI ☐ SI ☐ R (Prob)

☐ PCI ☐ PSI ☐ R

SUBJECT: NO 1481-C

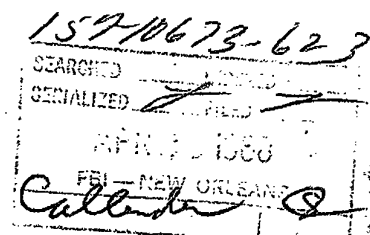
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Dates of Contact 4/15/68, 4/24/68		
Titles and File #s on which contacted		
JUNIOR WALKER		NO 88-
BUSTER CROSBY		NO 91-3464
LEROY COLLINS		NO 91-3467
ZEPEDDEE COLLINS		NO 91-3465
JOHN DONALD BROWN		NO 91-3466
MURKIN		NO 157-10673
Purpose and results of contact		
<p>On 4/15/68 the source advised that he had been</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> NEGATIVE unable to locate JUNIOR WALKER but the talk in the Negro</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> POSITIVE area of Covington, La, is that WALKER has fled to Mississ-</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> STATISTICippi and is living in the Delta Region with his wife.</p> <p>On 4/24/68 the source furnished background info concerning BUSTER CROSBY, LEROY COLLINS, ZEPEDDEE COLLINS and JOHN DONALD BROWN who are considered potential Bank Robbers. This info has been incorporated into the respective files.</p> <p>The same date the source was contacted re MURKIN and stated he had no information concerning this but that if any came to his attention he would furnish same immediately.</p>		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating Very Good	Coverage ITSMV, TFIS, Deserters, RM, UFAP
The source show no signs of personal weaknesses or instability		

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TO : SAC **NEW ORLEANS 137-3301**

DATE **4/26/68**

FROM : SA **JOHN M. DUNAY**

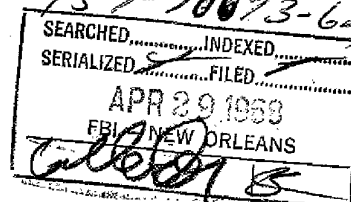
☐ CI ☐ SI ☐ R (Prob)

☒ PCI ☐ PSI ☐ R

SUBJECT: **BILL HOUSTON**

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Dates of Contact 4/26/68		
Titles and File #s on which contacted 157-10673 MURKIN 88-7754 KENNETH NEIL RILEY - FUGITIVE		
Purpose and results of contact <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NEGATIVE <input type="checkbox"/> POSITIVE <input type="checkbox"/> STATISTIC PCI advised that he did not recognize photo of JAMES EARL RAY as being anyone he ever saw or knew. He also advised that he did not recognize RILEY.		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating good	Coverage general criminal
no personal weaknesses noted 1 - 157 - 10673 1 - 137- 3301		



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Memorandum

TO : SAC
NEW ORLEANS (137-3300)

FROM : SA
JOHN M. DUNAY

SUBJECT:
ERNEST WILLIE

DATE:

4/26/68

☐ CI ☐ SI ☐ R (Prob)

☐ PCI ☐ PSI ☐ R

☒ X

Dates of Contact		
Titles and File #s on which contacted 4/26/68		
157-10673 re MURKIN		
88-7754 KENNETH NEIL RILEY - FUGITIVE		
Purpose and results of contact		
<input type="checkbox"/> NEGATIVE		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> POSITIVE		
<input type="checkbox"/> STATISTIC		
PCI advised he did not recognize photo of JAMES EARL RAY as anyone he has seen.		
PCI also advised that he has not seen RILEY in his place of business.		
<input type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating	Coverage

good

no personal weaknesses noted

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fugitives and general criminal

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Memorandum

TO : SAC NEW ORLEANS (137-3234)

DATE: 4/26/68

FROM : SA JOHN M. DUNAY

☐ CI ☐ SI ☐ R (Prob)☒ PCI ☐ PSI ☐ R

SUBJECT: CHARLES VEAZEY

☐

Dates of Contact <u>4/26/68</u>		
Titles and File #s on which contacted <u>145-307 EARL BRUCE WARHAM ET AL ITOM</u> <u>157-10673 MURKIN</u>		
Purpose and results of contact <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NEGATIVE <i>PCI advised that he did not recognize photo of JAMES</i> <input type="checkbox"/> POSITIVE <i>EARL RAY as being identical to anyone he has seen or known.</i> <input type="checkbox"/> STATISTIC <i>PCI also advised that he has heard nothing knew concerning</i> <i>EARL B. BARHAM, KENNETH COTTON or the other subjects in case.</i>		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating <i>good</i>	Coverage <i>ITOM</i>
no personal weaknesses noted 1- 137-3234 ① -157-10673		<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> 157-10673-626 SEARCHED.....INDEXED..... SERIALIZED.....FILED..... APR 29 1968 FBI - NEW ORLEANS <i>Calderon</i> </div>

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Memorandum

TO : SAC (137-1559)

FROM : SA TROY H. GIST

SUBJECT: BEN JACKSON

DATE: 4/29/68

☐ CI ☐ SI ☐ R (Prob)

☒ PCI ☐ PSI ☐ R

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Dates of Contact		
4/25/68		
Titles and File #s on which contacted		
JAMES EARL RAY, aka.; FUG.		157-10673
Purpose and results of contact		
<input type="checkbox"/> NEGATIVE	Source stated he had seen the photographs of	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> POSITIVE	the subject (RAY) on TV and in the newspapers and did	
<input type="checkbox"/> STATISTIC	not recognize him as anyone he had ever seen or known;	
	he did not recognize the photo of WALTER RIFE either.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating Very good	Coverage Negro fugitives and stolen property.
No personal weaknesses noted		
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① - 157-10673		

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Cover Sheet for Informant Report Material
FD-306 (3-21-58)

Date received 4/4/68	Received from (name or symbol number) NO 1242-R (PROB)	Received by SA NATHAN O. BROWN
Method of delivery (check appropriate blocks) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> in person <input type="checkbox"/> by telephone <input type="checkbox"/> by mail <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> orally <input type="checkbox"/> recording device <input type="checkbox"/> written by Informant		
If orally furnished and reduced to writing by Agent: Dictated <u>Date 4/11/68</u> to <u>mak</u> Transcribed <u>4/15/68</u> Authenticated by Informant _____		Date of Report 4/4/68 Date(s) of activity 4/4/68
Brief description of activity or material Meeting of Unit 557 held at HUGH MERRON's residence, 4/4/68. Discussion was concerning shooting of MARTIN LUTHER KING. JOE and BERNARD OVERSTREET indicated they were planning to travel to Memphis to protect relatives in view of riot that city.		File where original is located if not attached 170-332A

Remarks:

INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THIS REPORT SHOULD
BE PROPERLY PARAPHRASED IN ORDER TO PROTECT
THE IDENTITY OF THE INFORMANT.

Information concerning possible travel of BERNARD and JOSEPH OVERSTREET was disseminated 4/4/68 to Lt. FRED ROTH, Commander, Jefferson Parish Sheriff's Office, Intelligence Unit, who maintained an all night surveillance on the residence of both BERNARD and JOSEPH OVERSTREET. NEITHER LEFT TOWN.

- 1 - 170-332A
- 1 - 105-687 (UKA)
- 1 - 157-2867 (UNIT 557, UKA)
- 1 - 157-10328 (BERNARD OVERSTREET)
- 1 - 157-10317 (JOSEPH OVERSTREET)
- 1 - 157-10460 (HUGH MERRON)
- 1 - 157-6319 (WILLIAM SAMUEL ROBESON)
- 1 - 157-2685 (AL COLLIER)
- 1 - 157-10454 (JOE A. PITTS)
- ① - 157-10673 (MURKIN)
- 1 - 157-10681 (MANNY J. HORRIDGE)

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New Orleans, Louisiana
April 4, 1968.

A meeting of Unit 557 was scheduled for the night of April 4, 1968, at the residence of HUGH MERRON, 7733 Haney Drive, New Orleans, Louisiana. Attending this meeting were the following members:

JOE OVERSTREET - EC

AL COLLIER

BILL ROBESON

BERNARD OVERSTREET - Kleagle

OLD MAN PITTS

HUGH MERRON - KLOKAN

A formal meeting of the unit was not held due to the interest generated by the death of MARTIN LUTHER KING and most of the meeting was taken up by watching news reports on TV.

It was noted that COLLIER and ROBESON, who were traveling together, arrived at 8:10 p.m. shortly after the meeting was supposed to start. Neither COLLIER nor ROBESON had heard about KING being killed and ROBESON did a little "dance of joy" when he heard KING was dead.

MANNY HORRIDGE was supposed to meet JOE OVERSTREET at Martin Brothers Restaurant and then come to the meeting, but he did not show up.

JOE OVERSTREET was wearing a .38 Caliber revolver and holster. BERNARD OVERSTREET had something under his shirt and although he did not show what it was, it gave the appearances of a gun.

AL COLLIER was heard to suggest that they should get some dynamite and "blow up these n[redacted]s."

JOE OVERSTREET asked if everyone "had protection." MERRON said he had a shotgun. ROBESON said he had a rifle and pistol. PITTS said he had a shotgun and a pistol. COLLIER, who is usually silent, indicated he had some kind of gun. JOE OVERSTREET gave out his telephone number and said if any of the members had any kind of trouble, they should call him at any time of the day or night and he would come to their assistance.

JOE OVERSTREET suggested strongly that all the members equip their automobiles with citizens band radio equipment. He said that his "A and B channels are CB channels 9 and 11."

During the meeting JOE OVERSTREET tried to call his brother at Memphis, Tennessee, but could not get through. BERNARD OVERSTREET took the phone and told the operator it was a life or death emergency. He finally got the call through and JOE talked to his brother. It appears this

brother is also BERNARD OVERSTREET's father. JOE and BERNARD OVERSTREET discussed the possibilities of traveling to Memphis to help protect their relatives. It was not clear when the meeting ended whether the OVERSTREETs would actually make this trip, but they indicated that they were considering going at once.

JOE OVERSTREET announced that the next meeting would be at BILL ROBESON's house on April 18, 1968. He also announced a change in plans for state meetings of the UKA in which they would alternate between Baton Rouge and Alexandria. He stated that BERNARD OVERSTREET, [REDACTED] MERRON and PITTS, as well as himself, would go to the state meeting at Alexandria on April 7, 1968, to represent Unit 557.

Members paid their dues during this meeting. It was noted that MERRON owed for both March and April and paid the sum of \$10.00.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC NEW ORLEANS (137-1485)

DATE: 4/24/68

FROM : SA REED W. JENSEN

☒ CI ☐ SI ☐ R (Prob)

☐ PCI ☐ PSI ☐ R

SUBJECT: NO 1212-C

Dates of Contact

2/15/68; 3/12/68; 4/9/68; 4/23/68

Titles and File #s on which contacted

FRANK CARACCI; AR

NO 92-837

CARLO MONTALBANO; AR

NO 92-882

WSTA SURVEY

NO 31-6387

MURKIN

NO 157-10673

CHRIS WELLS, aka; IGA

NO 165-528

Purpose and results of contact

☐ NEGATIVE

☒ POSITIVE

☐ STATISTIC

92-837

On above contacts informant advised that FRANK CARACCI was still the leading figure in the French Quarter area of the city as far as the Italian criminal element is concerned and, in addition, exerts considerable influence in the overall entertainment and restaurant areas in the French Quarter because of his money-lending ability. This does not apply to the plush establishments but the little bars and restaurants that spring up throughout the Quarter.

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☒ Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.

Rating

Good

Coverage

AR; WSTA; UPAP; ITWI

- 1 - 137-1485
- 1 - 92-837 (SA COLARELLI)
- 1 - 92-882 (SA KUSCH)
- 1 - 31-6387 (SA DECKER)

- 1 - 157-10673 (SA CALLENDER)
- 1 - 165-528 (SA WOOD)
- RWJ - smd
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Informant advised on the above dates that CARLO MONTALBANO was still hustling prostitutes out of his establishment called the Blue Angel on Bourbon Street. Informant advised on 4/9/68 contact that the new sidewalk-type cafe established called the Maison Bourbon, at 641 Bourbon Street, was being built and was to be operated by CARLO MONTALBANO. Informant stated there was a rumor that MONTALBANO received his financing from CARLOS MARCELLO; however, he would further attempt to verify this.

On 4/23/68 contact informant advised that he had noticed some prostitutes and pimps who used to work in the Biloxi, Mississippi area in the Maison Bourbon. He stated he has since forgotten their names but will attempt to identify them. He stated it is his understanding that these girls will not hustle out of the Maison Bourbon but will use it as a place to receive phone calls on a call-girl basis. He stated these are all strange prostitutes to the area, and he felt MONTALBANO would not allow any locally-known prostitute on the premises, at least in any employment capacity. Informant states this is a perfect setup for a place for a prostitute to hang out, inasmuch as it is currently a very respectable establishment and caters to all types of customers, particularly tourists.

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On 4/23/68, photos of the subject were exhibited to informant, and he stated he had not seen anyone resembling this individual in the New Orleans area.

165-528

On 4/23/68, informant advised that CHRIS WELLS was unknown to him.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, NEW ORLEANS (157-10673) (P)

DATE: 4/26/68

FROM : SA KENNETH G. OERTEL

SUBJECT: MURKIN

At approximately 1:30 AM on 4/26/68, this agent received a telephone call from Clerk WILLIAM DEILY of this office relating he had been called by Miss ~~KATHY QUILTER~~, a supervisor at Delta Airlines, who requested this agent be contacted by the office and call her back.

Miss QUILTER is a friend of this agent.

Miss QUILTER was then contacted by this agent and advised him Miss ~~RITA REHKOPF~~, a Delta stewardess, 6805 Veterans Highway, Apartment 14-G, Metairie, La., was very distraught after having been interviewed by FBI Agents concerning MURKIN. Miss QUILTER thought it would be appreciated if this agent would contact Miss REHKOPF as she lived a short distance from his apartment.

Subsequently, this agent walked to Miss REHKOPF's apartment and was admitted by her.

Miss REHKOPF advised she and her roommate, who was then present but stayed in the bedroom and was never introduced to this agent, had been receiving crank calls on the telephone and Miss REHKOPF advised she was upset after being interviewed by the FBI. Miss REHKOPF also stated she has [REDACTED] and has had trouble sleeping lately.

She stated she would like to get protection from the FBI.

Miss REHLOPF was advised the FBI could not give citizens protection and that was a function of the local police. She was also told that there was no reason for her to be apprehensive about having been interviewed by the FBI as she was only one of many people to have had that experience.

It should be noted Miss REHLOPF appeared to be very flighty, often interrupting herself and this agent with conversation that was very spontaneous and not relevant to what was being discussed.

② - New Orleans

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Also, she did not appear to be at all distraught, but rather may have only wanted someone to talk to as she possibly could not sleep.

After talking to Miss REHLOPF approximately 1½ hours, to calm her fears, this agent departed.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC (157-10673)

FROM : ASAC SYLVESTER

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 4/26/68

Special Agent in Charge PHIL RODRIGUEZ, OSI, advised that his Commanding Officer at Shreveport had received a classified message from the parents of RITA REHKOPF inquiring as to whether or not their daughter was in protective custody of the FBI.

SAIC RODRIGUEZ advised that RITA REHKOPF was to meet her parents in California when they returned from overseas and she had advised them that she could not meet them in California until "after the trial", referring to the trial of RAY, and that she was flying to Florida. The reason for going to Florida was not given.

SAIC RODRIGUEZ was advised that Miss REHKOPF, who is a Delta Airlines stewardess, had been interviewed by Agents of this office in reference to the fugitive investigation being conducted concerning RAY along with numerous other stewardesses and crew members of other Delta Airlines flights; that she was not in the protective custody of the FBI and this office had no information to indicate she would be involved in any trial.

He was further advised that the Supervisor of Stewardesses of Delta had contacted an Agent of the FBI in the early morning hours of 4/26/68 and stated that Miss RITA REHKOPF wanted to see an Agent.

Miss REHKOPF was contacted to determine whether she had any pertinent information at which time Miss REHKOPF stated she had [REDACTED], was having trouble sleeping lately, and had become nervous after being interviewed and stated she would like to have protection by the FBI. Miss REHKOPF was advised the FBI could not give her protection, that this was the function of the local authorities. It was explained to her that she had no reason for feeling apprehensive as she was only one of many persons that had been

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interviewed by the FBI seeking information. She did not appear distraught but rather gave an indication she wanted to talk to someone as she could not sleep.

Other Delta personnel interviewed who are acquainted with RITA REHKOPF indicated that Miss REHKOPF is flighty and emotional.

Miss REHKOPF stated she had been receiving over a period of time a number of calls in which a person would call and then hang up, which she described as crank calls.

Local authorities have been advised.

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FBI MOBILE

1:30 PM URGENT 4/26/68 LDM

TO NEW ORLEANS (157-10678)

FROM MOBILE (157-2627)

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MURKIN. CR. OO MEMPHIS.

RE JOSEPH CLAYTON MONTAGNE.

*from
Chicell*

RE MOBILE TEL TO NEW ORLEANS AND OTHER OFFICES APRIL
TWENTYTHREE LAST AND NEW ORLEANS TEL TO MOBILE APRIL
TWENTYFIVE LAST.

RAYMOND M. HILLBURN, ONE THREE ZERO WEST PATTON
STREET, MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA, UPON REINTERVIEW REPORTED:

WHEN HE AND JOSEPH LNU WERE STOPPED BY POLICEMAN,
PASCAGOULA, MISSISSIPPI, APRIL NINETEEN LAST, POLICEMAN
ASKED JOSEPH H IF KNEW WHO HE LOOKED LIKE. JOSEPH
ANSWERED QUOTE GALT UNQUOTE, AND SAID HE HAD BEEN STOPPED
BEFORE, VICINITY OF MOBILE, ALABAMA. JOSEPH IDENTIFIED
HIMSELF WITH CARD OF MERCHANT SEAMAN. HILLBURN DOES NOT
BELIEVE JOSEPH IDENTICAL WITH SUBJECT RAY.

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AT NEW ORLEANS, HILLBURN LEFT JOSEPH AT MUSIC BOX LOUNGE. JOSEPH WAS STAYING IN OLD SCHOOL BUS PARKED REAR MUSIC BOX LOUNGE. BUS WAS OWNED BY WHITE MALE, ABOUT SIXTY, WHO HAD WIFE ABOUT TWENTY. WIFE WORE BLUE JEANS AND COWBOY BOOTS AND APPEARED [REDACTED]. THIS COUPLE HAD ROOM AT REAR OF LOUNGE. JOSEPH WAS WINO AND DID WORK PART TIME AS BAR TENDER AT LOUNGE. HE WAS WORKING AS BAR TENDER WHEN LAST SEEN BY HILLBURN ABOUT FOUR THIRTY AM, APRIL TWENTYONE LAST.

JOSEPH IS KNOWN TO DALE HALEY, ABOUT TWENTYEIGHT WHO RESIDES IN HOTEL NEXT DOOR TO MUSIC BOX LOUNGE.

JOSEPH DESCRIBED AS WHITE MALE, THIRTYFIVE, SIX FEET TALL, ONE HUNDRED SEVENTYFIVE POUNDS, BLUE EYES, FAIR COMPLEXION, BLONDE HAIR, WORN LONG AND UNCOMBED. HE STUTTERS, IS MUSCULAR, AND HAS NO KNOWN SCARS. HE STATED HE WAS DRAWING UNEMPLOYMENT AT NEW ORLEANS OF ABOUT FORTY DOLLARS PER WEEK.

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NEW ORLEANS, LOCATE JOSEPH WHO APPEARS IDENTICAL
TO JOSEPH CLAYTON MONTAGNE, TO DETERMINE IF IDENTICAL
WITH SUBJECT.

MEMPHIS ADVISED AM. ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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504PM URGENT 4/26/68 GJM

TO NEW ORLEANS

FROM DIRECTOR 44-38861 1P

MURKIN.

THE FOLLOWING THREAT IS CONTAINED IN THE KING FILE:

BY LHM DATED JUNE SIXTEEN SIXTYFIVE YOUR OFFICE REPORTED
A REMARK ALLEGEDLY MADE BY ONE NOEL GRAY, SOUTH UNIVERSITY
STREET, BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA, THAT THE NEGRO RACE NEEDED
A NEW "MONUMENT" AS CHRIST HAD BEEN DEAD TWO THOUSAND YEARS
AND IT WOULD BE BETTER IF KING OR JAMES FARMER WERE KILLED.

ALTHOUGH SUBJECT RAY HAS BEEN IDENTIFIED AS THE
ASSAILANT, YOU SHOULD CONDUCT INVESTIGATION TO DETERMINE IF
NOEL GRAY MIGHT BE IMPLICATED AS A CONSPIRATOR.

AIRMAIL COPIES TO MEMPHIS

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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SA EMIL HENRY BECKER

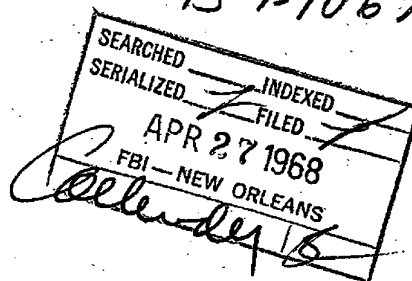
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VOTERS LEAGUE
DE RIDDER, LOUISIANA

On April 24, 1968, subject contacted by SA PAUL A. GEOHAGEN on matter captioned "MURKIN", New Orleans File 157-10673. Subject unable to furnish any information.

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Date: 4/25/68

Transmit the following in PLAINTEXT
(Type in plaintext or code)Via TELETYPE URGENT
(Priority)TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (MAIL)
SAC, ALBANY
SAC, KANSAS

FROM: SAC, SPRINGFIELD (44-561) (3 P)

MURKIN

WALTER TERRY RIFE REINTERVIEWED. JOHN DAVID DAILY UNKNOWN TO RIFE. RIFE STATES WILLIARD J. MC BRIDE A FICTITIOUS PERSON FROM WHOM HE AND RAY CLAIMED THEY PURCHASED THE STOLEN MONEY ORDERS FROM KELLERVILLE, ILLINOIS POST OFFICE BURGLARY IN NINETEEN FIFTYFIVE. RIFE USED NAME OF VERNON ELMO RIFE ON FIRST ARREST WHEN FINGERPRINTED. FOR THIS REASON NAME OF VERNON ELMO RIFE COULD BE SHOWN AS ASSOCIATE OF RAY IN JACKSON COUNTY JAIL, KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI, WHEN ACTUALLY WAS WALTER RIFE.

RIFE STATED ONLY VISITORS TO JACKSON COUNTY JAIL FOR EITHER HE OR RAY WERE FBI AGENTS WHO INTERVIEWED BOTH CONCERNING A BANK ROBBERY AT HULL, ILLINOIS. RIFE DID NOT KNOW ANY COIN IN NEW ORLEANS AND KNOWS OF NO ASSOCIATE OF RAY IN NEW ORLEANS. RIFE AND RAY MET A WILLIAM COHEN IN KANSAS CITY.

1 - Bureau (AM)
1 - Springfield (44-561)
1 - Memphis (AM) 1 - Atlanta (AM)
1 - Birmingham (AM) 1 - Chicago (AM)
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IN NINETEEN FIFTYFIVE, RE PASSING OF POSTAL MONEY ORDERS. THIS WAS A MAN FIFTYFIVE TO SIXTY YEARS OF AGE, DARK SKIN, GRAY HEADED, PROBABLY WOULD BE KNOWN TO KANSAS CITY PD. RIFE HAS NO BACKGROUND ON THIS INDIVIDUAL.

RIFE STATED RAY WAS PREJUDICE AGAINST NEGROES IN A GENERAL WAY, HAS NEVER KNOWN RAY TO BELONG TO ANY ORGANIZATION OR TO MAKE ANY THREAT AGAINST NEGROES.

NO RECORD OF BOHN DAVID DAILY IN QUINCY. NO RECORD OF GEORGE J. ROBERTS AND SONS UNDERTAKERS IN QUINCY. LINDWOOD NONEXISTANT STREET IN QUINCY. NO RECORD OF NORMAN J. ROBERTS IN QUINCY, TWO FOUR ZERO ZERO MAIN NONEXISTANT IN QUINCY.

SI ONE SIX FIVE SIX - C VERY CLOSE ASSOCIATE OF RIFE, STATES RIFE DEFINITELY PULLED BURGLARY OF KELLERVILLE POST OFFICE IN NINETEEN FIFTYFIVE BUT WILL NOT ADMIT TO BURGLARY.

KANSAS CITY WILL ATTEMPT TO LOCATE WILLIAM COHEN IN KANSAS CITY.

ALBANY, AT ALBANY, WILL ATTEMPT TO LOCATE NORMAN J.

Approved: _____ Sent _____ M Per _____
Special Agent in Charge

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Date: 4/25/68

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ROBERTS AND GEORGE J. ROBERTS. P.

AIR MAIL COPIES SENT TO MEMPHIS, BIRMINGHAM, NEW ORLEANS,
ATLANTA, CHICAGO, AND ST. LOUIS. P.
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Special Agent in Charge

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Date: 4-26-68

Transmit the following in _____
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(Priority)

✓ To: SAC'S, New Orleans (157-10673)
Memphis (44-1987)

From: Director, FBI (44-38861)

MURKIN

Re New Orleans letter 4-22-68, submitting nine items, including a key that was not mentioned in referenced letter, found in a room at 623 Royal Street, New Orleans, for latent print examination.

One latent fingerprint of value was developed on "Miss Clairol" can, item #7. One latent fingerprint and four latent palm prints of value were developed on road map, item #8. No other latent prints of value were developed.

The latent fingerprints are not identical with the fingerprints of James Earl Ray, FBI #405942G, Walter Terry Rife, FBI #4558766, or Robert Dale Porter, FBI #4590482. No palm prints are available in our Identification Division files for these individuals.

The specimens are being temporarily retained in the Latent Fingerprint Section, Identification Division.

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To: SAC'S, New Orleans (157-10673)
Memphis (44-1987)

✓ From: Director, FBI (44-38861)

MURKIN

Re New Orleans let 4/22/68, submitting Q285, contents from ash tray, for laboratory and latent print examination.

No latent prints of value developed. Laboratory report and disposition of Q285 subjects of separate report.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, NEW ORLEANS (157-10673)

DATE: April 27, 1968

FROM : SA JOHN C. MC CURNIN, II

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Little Rock tel to Dallas and Memphis, 4/25/68.

The following is information telephonically received on April 27, 1968, from SA HAROLD M. RATCHFORD of the Jackson Office. The information was contained in a teletype dated April 26, 1968, at 8:58, copy of which not received by New Orleans.

JAMES L. GATTEN, 1005 Metker, Apartment 41, Irving, Texas, furnished the following information to date:

He is a bellhop at a Ramada Inn, Lovefield, Dallas, Texas, and delivers cars for Hertz throughout the United States.

On April 6, 1968, GATTEN left Atlanta, Georgia, en route to Dallas in a Hertz car. On early a.m. April 7, 1968, GATTEN picked up a hitchhiker on Interstate 59, about ten miles west of intersection of Interstate 59 and State Route 49. Hitchhiker was in remote area and told GATTEN that he had been dropped off by truck, which turned off on a rural road. Hitchhiker rode with GATTEN to mid-town New Orleans where he got off on Interstate 10 near intersection of Tulane Street, stating he would take a city bus from there.

Hitchhiker described as follows:

Race
Sex
Age
Hair
Height
Weight
Characteristics

White
Male
35 to 40
light sand brown
5'-10" to 6'-0"
165 pounds
Unshaven, approximately one day's light colored beard, wearing short sleeved sport shirt, blue dress slacks, loafers, spoke with southern draw, not very noticeable. Hitchhiker smoked several cigarettes and appeared to be familiar with plant life of that area. He stated he was in merchant marines and picking up a ship in New Orleans.



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GATTEN displayed Wanted Flyer regarding JAMES EARL RAY and stated 1968 picture resembled a hitchhiker. The other two photographs on the flyer did not resemble hitchhiker at all.

GATTEN does not recall if hitchhiker had long pointed nose, dimple in chin or prominent left ear.

During trip no mention was made by either person of the KING murder.

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TO: ALL CONTINENTAL OFFICES
FROM: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987) -P-
RE: MURKIN
CR

Re ME airtel to All Continental Offices, 4/19/68, requesting that all laundries determined to be using Thermo-Seal laundry marking machines be contacted in effort to locate laundry marking "20R-3", and LA teletype to Bureau, 4/18/68.

All offices discontinue efforts to locate inasmuch as laundry mark identified as coming from laundry in Culver City, California, per Los Angeles teletype to Bureau, 4/18/68.

- 1 - Each Continental Office
2 - Memphis

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Approved: RG Jensen
Special Agent in Charge

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PD New Orleans La	Charles Joseph Stein #1-4362	applicant FP 3-2-55		
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PD Houston Texas	Charles Joseph Stein #103 087	2-11-60	traffic & invest	
PD New Orleans La	Charles Joseph Stein #66122	7-14-61	poss narc; poss stolen prop	
SO Gretna La	Charles Joseph Stein #11429	7-20-61	Vagrancy & Poss Stolen property	no charge filed
PD New Orleans La	Charles Jos Stein #66122	Rec 7-25-61	not given Rec'd on 7/14/61 Arrest	affidavit refused by ADA
PD New Orleans La	Charles Stein #66122	4-14-62	pondering soliciting for prostitutes criminal conspiracy to ponder	off 174-691 174-683
PD New Orleans La	Charles Stein #66122	2-16-63	poss barbituates	off 174-691 174-683

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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Director.

The following FBI record, NUMBER 881 534 B, is furnished FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY.

All descriptive factors (if any) furnished by you match those in our identification file unless herein quoted.

DESCRIPTION AND RELATED DATA:

Race: White

Sex: Male

Height: 72"

Weight: 223

Hair: Black

Eyes: Brown

Date and Place of Birth: New Orleans, La.

Scars & Marks: scar left upper arm
tattoos right forearm (Heart & Handshake) left upper arm (CS)

Address: 4101 Steven Girod St. New Orleans La. in 1961

Occupation: Booking Agent

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	Civil print from St Bu Sacramento Calif #S 86212 was identified with this record and returned to contributor.10-1-64.			
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Director

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC (157-10673)

DATE: 4/27/68

FROM : SA PHILIP L. PETLEY

SUBJECT: MURKIN

On 4/27/68, at approximately 3:50 PM, Miss RITA REAHKOPE telephonically contacted this office and advised that she was tired of waiting for an Agent to contact her and wanted to be contacted immediately or "We could forget the whole thing." She stated she could be reached at home and that she had furnished her home address previously to the FBI, and she is expecting to be contacted shortly.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC (157-10673)

FROM : SA LEONARD A. STEINBACH

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 4/27/68

On 4/27/68, Miss ~~RITA REAHKOPF~~ telephonically contacted this office and advised that she was a stewardess with the Delta Airlines. She stated that she has been contacted several times by Agents of the FBI concerning the assassination of Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING and that she is interested in seeing the Agents again as she feels she has some additional information. Miss REAHKOPF advised that she is presently residing at the Elmwood Plantation in Metairie, La., Apartment 14G, and her telephone number is 888-6078.

Miss REAHKOPF stated that relative of hers who also had information pertaining to the MURKIN matter was presently staying with her, but she would not furnish the individual's name over the telephone.

Miss REAHKOPF advised that she has spoken with SA ~~KENNETH C. OERTEL~~ on this matter on previous occasions and would want to speak to him again but that Monday would be soon enough.

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FBI-HOUSTON

223PM URGENT 4-27-68 KOB

TO DIRECTOR, ATLANTA, BIRMINGHAM, MEMPHIS, NEW ORLEANS,
LOS ANGELES, AND SAN ANTONIO
FROM HOUSTON (44-1509)

MURKIN; CR.

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RE HOUSTON TEL, APRIL TWENTY SIX, LAST.

RE LOUIS LOMAX - CHARLES STEIN.

HOUSTON CHRONICLE REPORTER ON APRIL TWENTY SIX, LAST
ACCOMPANIED LOMAX AND STEIN ON AUTO TRIP FROM HOUSTON TO
SAN ANTONIO ATTEMPTING TO LOCATE TELEPHONE BOOTH ALLEGEDLY
USED BY RAY. TELEPHONE BOOTH NOT LOCATED.

CHRONICLE REPORTER, DON MICHAELS, ADVISED THAT HE LEFT
LOMAX AND STEIN IN SAN ANTONIO AT FOUR THIRTY PM, APRIL
TWENTY SIX, LAST. STATED LOMAX AND STEIN RENTED AUTOMOBILE
FROM SAN ANTONIO AVIS CAR RENTAL, COWTOWN OFFICE, AND
INDICATED THEY INTENDED TO SEARCH FOR TELEPHONE BOOTH WEST
OF SAN ANTONIO. MICHAELS ADVISED IT WAS HIS OPINION THAT
STEIN WAS TAKING LOMAX "FOR A RIDE" AND BOTH APPEARED TO BE
COMPLETELY LOST AS FAR AS LOCATION OF TELEPHONE BOOTH.
MICHAELS ALSO STATED THAT STEIN HAD INDICATED THAT HE HAD
SLEPT MOST OF THE TRIP FROM CALIFORNIA TO NEW ORLEANS WITH RAY.
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Date: 4/27/68

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(Priority)TO: BUREAU (44-38861)
LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

FROM: NEW ORLEANS (157-10673)

MURKIN

RE LOS ANGELES TELETYPES TO NEW ORLEANS APRIL TWENTY-SIX, LAST AT TEN FOURTEEN PM AND TEN FORTYFOUR PM.

RE: TELEPHONE CALL TO NEW ORLEANS NO.

NINE FOUR SEVEN - ZERO NINE THREEZERO, MARCH TWELVE, LAST

THE ABOVE TELEPHONE NUMBER IS LISTED TO OZAMA BOVIA, THIRTYSEVEN ZERO SEVEN ABUNDANCE STREET, DESIRE STREET HOUSING PROJECT, NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA. BOVIA, NEGRO MALE, IN INTERVIEW DENIES ANY TELEPHONE CALLS TO LOS ANGELES TELEPHONE NUMBER FOUR SIX THREE - NINE FOUR FOUR NINE. ~~██████████~~ BOVIA VIEWED PHOTOGRAPHS OF JAMES EARL RAY AND CHARLES STEIN AND RECOGNIZED RAY AS INDIVIDUAL INVOLVED IN KING CASE. BOVIA SAID HE HAD NEVER SEEN

RAY BEFORE EXCEPT FOR THE PICTURE IN THE NEWSPAPERS AND

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ON TELEVISION *AND THAT CHARLES STEIN IS UNKNOWN TO HIM,*

AGENTS VIEWED TELEPHONE BILL OF BOVIA FOR MONTH OF MARCH. NO LONG DISTANCE TO OR FROM TELEPHONE NUMBER FOUR SIX THREE - NINE FOUR FOUR NINE IN LOS ANGELES.

BOVIA'S TELEPHONE BILL REFLECTED TWO LONG DISTANCE TELEPHONE CALLS TO LOS ANGELES NUMBER FOUR SEVEN TWO - SEVEN SEVEN ZERO NINE ON MARCH TEN AND APRIL TWO, SIXTYEIGHT. BOVIA STATED THESE CALLS WERE A RELAY FROM HIS SON IN VIETNAM.

RE: TELEPHONE CALL TO NEW ORLEANS NUMBER FIVE TWO THREE - ZERO NINE THREE ZERO ON DECEMBER TWENTYTWO, SIXTYSEVEN

THE ABOVE NUMBER LISTED TO THE IVANHOE PIANO BAR WHICH WAS LOCATED AT SIX ZERO ONE BOURBON STREET DURING THE MONTH OF DECEMBER, SIXTYSEVEN. MARIE STEIN LEE ADVISED APRIL TWENTYSEVEN, SIXTYEIGHT, SHE WAS FORMERLY EMPLOYED AS COCKTAIL WAITRESS, IVANHOE PIANO BAR. RECALLS

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RECEIVING TELEPHONE CALL FROM RITA STEIN A FEW DAYS PRIOR
TO CHRISTMAS SIXTYSEVEN, IN WHICH RITA ADVISED THAT THE
CHILDREN AND CHARLES STEIN HAD ARRIVED SAFELY IN CALIF. RITA
DID NOT MENTION ANYTHING ABOUT GALT. NO
LEE FURTHER ADVISED THAT NEW ORLEANS TELEPHONE NINE

FOUR FIVE - SEVEN THREE ONE TWO WAS LISTED IN HER NAME
WHEN SHE RESIDED AT FOURTEEN TWENTYSEVEN BURGUNDY UNDER
THE NAME OF MARIE STEIN: STATED SHE GAVE THIS NUMBER TO
CLOVINA OLONZO
HER MOTHER, AND IT WAS TRANSFERRED TO HER MOTHER'S ADDRESS
NINETEEN ZERO SEVEN AND ONE HALF ROYAL STREET BUT REMAINED
IN MARIE STEIN'S NAME. ADVISED SHE DID THIS AT THE TIME
SHE MOVED FROM THE BURGUNDY STREET ADDRESS TO TWO THOUSAND
ONE CLARA STREET, GRETN, LOUISIANA.

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RE: TELEPHONE CALLS IN MARCH AND
APRIL NINETEEN SIXTYEIGHT TO
AND FROM NEW ORLEANS TELEPHONE
NUMBER NINE FOUR FIVE DASH
SEVEN THREE ONE TWO.

MRS. ~~CLOVINA~~ OLONZO, ONE NINE ZERO SEVEN AND ONE
HALF ROYAL STREET INTERVIEWED TODAY AND ADVISED THAT
TELEPHONE NUMBER NINE FOUR FIVE DASH SEVEN THREE ONE TWO
IS LOCATED IN HER RESIDENCE AND THIS PHONE WAS FORMERLY
LOCATED AT THE RESIDENCE OF HER DAUGHTER, MARIE LEE, NEE
STEIN, WHEN LEE RESIDED ON BURGUNDY STREET.

MRS. OLONZO CANNOT REMEMBER THE EXACT DATE WHEN
TELEPHONE WAS INSTALLED IN HER RESIDENCE, BUT THOUGHT
THAT IT WAS AT LEAST A MONTH AGO. SHE ADVISED THAT SHE
REMEMBERS CALLING ~~RITA~~ ROSAS, NEE STEIN, IN LOS ANGELES
IN THE MONTH OF MARCH SEVERAL TIMES, BUT CANNOT REMEMBER
THE EXACT DATES OF THESE CALLS OR THE PURPOSE OF THESE
CALLS. SHE ALSO ADVISED THAT SHE RECALLS RECEIVING A

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