

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

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

DATE: 5/10/68

FROM : SA JOHN A. PFEIFER

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re memo of SA STEPHEN M. CALLENDER, 5/7/68.

The following investigation was conducted by
SA JOHN A. PFEIFER on 5/8/68, at Alexandria, Louisiana:

Mr. JAMES F. CURLEY (Protect Identity), District
Manager, Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Co.,
Alexandria, La., advised that Harrisonburg, La., telephone
number 744-5793 has been listed to J. H. TAYLOR, Harrisonburg,
La., since 8/31/56, and he gives his mailing address as
General Delivery, Harrisonburg, La.

He advised that Jonesville, La., telephone number
339-2612 has been listed to SILAS CURRY, Division St.,
Jonesville, La., since 9/22/53.

He advised that Ferriday, La., telephone number
757-3137 has been listed to LAURA SHERBIA, 722 South 9th
St., Ferriday, La., since 12/3/60.

② New Orleans
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TO: SAC, NEW ORLEANS (157-10673)
FROM: SAC, CHICAGO (44-1114) (P)
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Re New Orleans teletype 4/29/68.

RE: LOOK ALIKE JAMES EARL RAY
CHICAGO O'HARE INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT
4/9/68

PAUL VANA, Delta Airline Ticket Agent, interviewed
5/9/68 upon return from Aruba. States recalls no incident
as described, observed all photographs of subject RAY with
negative results.

2 - New Orleans
2 - Memphis (44-1987)
1 - Chicago

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In connection with investigation conducted to date in instant case, the Memphis Office has prepared a listing of pertinent dates, activity, and residences as known to Memphis concerning subject JAMES EARL RAY. This information may be subject to amplification as additional information becomes known.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Miscellaneous</u>	<u>Place</u>
4/23/67	Escape	Missouri State Penitentiary Jefferson City, Missouri
7/18/67	Harkay Apts., \$450 lease, 7/18/67 - 1/18/68 H. ROTHMAN, owner, \$75 per month. GALT skipped out.	Montreal, Canada
7/26/67	Canadian Postal Money Order	Montreal, Canada
8/26/67	2608 Highland Avenue (Rented room.)	Birmingham, Alabama
8/28/67	Birmingham Trust Nat'l Bank (Rented safety deposit box.)	Birmingham, Alabama

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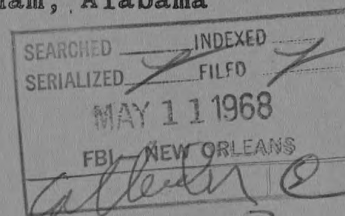
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<u>Date</u>	<u>Miscellaneous</u>	<u>Place</u>
9/29-30/67	Bought Mustang from WILLIAM D. PAISLEY	Birmingham
9/12/67	Continental Dance Club Studio Aka. Friendship Club	Birmingham
10/3/67	Photographic Equipment to Galt (Per records Superior Bulk Film Co., Chicago)	Birmingham
10/4/67	Operator rooming house (P. CHERPES) signed for package for GALT	Birmingham
10/5/67	GALT typed letter from Birmingham Highland Avenue address returning camera to Chicago	Birmingham
10/7/67	Approximate departure	Birmingham
10/18/67	Letter from Film Company (above) returned to Chicago from Birmingham address	--
10/19 - 11/16/67	Room 212 Motel Rio, Morelos 86	Puerto Villarta Jalisco, Mexico
10/22/67	Superior Bulk Film Co., Chicago records show typed letter from GALT asking refund be sent Hotel Rio, Puerto Villarta, Jalisco, Mexico	
11/7-13/67	Hotel "Tropicana" (Rm. 417)	Puerto Villarta
11/17/67 - 1/18/68	1535 North Serrano (Apt. 6)	Los Angeles, Calif.
11/20/67	Records Chicago Film Co. (above) show GALT asked refund be sent 1535 North Serrano	Los Angeles, Calif.

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12/ 7-19/67	Provincial Motel (GALT)	New Orleans, La.
1/2 - 3/17/68	St. Francis Hotel 5533 North Hollywood Boulevard	Los Angeles
12/ 7 -2/12/68	National Dance Studios	Los Angeles
1/1 /68 - 3/2/68	International School of Bar- tendering	Los Angeles
3/24/68	113 14th St. N. E. (Rooming House) GALT last seen by landlord approximately 3/31/68	Atlanta, Georgia
3/29-30/68	Purchase of Weapon (HARVEY LOWMEYER), Aero-Marine Supply	Birmingham
4/1/68	Piedmont Laundry (GALT) No starch in clothes	Atlanta
4/3/68	Rebel Motel (ERIC S. GALT) Departed prior to 1 PM, 4/4/68	Memphis
4/4/68	Rooming House (JOHN WILLARD) South Main St., in about 3 PM	Memphis
4/5/68	Last seen A.M. of 4/5/68, Piedmont Laundry, parking Mustang	Atlanta

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418 PM URGENT 5-11-68 GMC

TO: DIRECTOR, ATLANTA, BIRMINGHAM, MEMPHIS, KANSAS CITY AND
NEW ORLEANS

FROM: ST. LOUIS (44-775)

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RE BIRMINGHAM TEL TO BUREAU, MAY TEN, LAST.

JOHN PAUL VELANTI, ONE SIX THREE TWO SOUTH EIGHTEENTH
STREET, ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI, INTERVIEWED MAY FOUR, LAST. DENIED
KNOWING OR ASSOCIATING WITH SUBJECT RAY AT MISSOURI STATE
PENITENTIARY OR ANY OTHER TIME. DID NOT RECALL EVER HAVING
SPOKEN TO RAY.

VELANTI EMPLOYED AS NEWSCASTER AND STATES HE BROADCAST
INFORMATION CONCERNING RAY FOR SOMETIME. DID NOT RECOGNIZE
NAME OR PHOTOGRAPH AS FELLOW INMATE, MSP, UNTIL RECENTLY.
ASSOCIATES FACE WITH INMATE AT MSP, BUT NO PERSONAL KNOWLEDGE
OF RAY.

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*Adler advised
Caldwell advised
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VELANTI RE-INTERVIEWED TODAY IN REGARD TO INFORMATION FURNISHED BY JAMES W. BROWN, BIRMINGHAM. DESCRIBES BROWN AS GOOD FRIEND WITH WHOM HE "CELLED" AND "TOOK CARE OF". ALTHOUGH VELANTI UNAWARE OF BROWN INTERVIEW OR SUBSTANCE THEREOF, HE STATES BROWN IS A FRIEND AND WOULD HAVE NO REASON TO LIE ABOUT HIM.

WAS WITH BROWN KANSAS CITY JAIL, BUT DIFFERENT TANKS AND DID NOT KNOW BROWN THERE. ALSO WITH BROWN MSP, JEFFERSON CITY AND MOBERLY.

VELANTI DENIES ANY AND ALL CONVERSATION WITH RAY AS ATTRIBUTED TO HIM BY BROWN. STILL INSISTS HE DID NOT KNOW RAY.

ADMITS HE RAN POKER GAME AND LOTTERY AT MSP. HAD NUMEROUS INMATES WORKING FOR HIM IN VARIOUS HALLS IN CONNECTION WITH THIS OPERATION, BUT KNEW ALL OF THEM PERSONALLY AND RECALLS THEIR NAMES. SUBJECT RAY NEVER WORKED FOR HIM. RECALLS NO INMATE MSP, FIRST OR LAST NAME RAY, WITH WHOM HE ASSOCIATED OR CONVERSED AT LENGTH.

DENIES EXECUTING OR PLANNING ROBBERY OR BURGLARY OF OIL
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COMPANY OR ANYTHING ELSE IN ATLANTA, GEORGIA. ADVISED IF HE DID PLAN SUCH A JOB, HE WOULD DO IT ALONE.

WIFE, BETTYE, NEE PRITCHARD, MARRIED NINETEEN FIFTYFIVE, JUAREZ, MEXICO, LAST KNOWN TO BE RESIDING ONE TWO SEVEN ZERO CHANEY DRIVE, BOSIER CITY, LOUISIANA. NO IDEA OF PRESENT WHEREABOUTS. VELANTI DENIES EVER HAVING RESIDED IN ATLANTA. HIS SON, JAMES, BY PREVIOUS MARRIAGE TO SHIRLEY HOLSTIEN, WAS KILLED IN AUTO ACCIDENT, ATLANTA, NINETEEN SIXTYTWO, AT AGE FIFTEEN. SON JAMES DID NOT LIVE WITH BETTYE, NEE PRITCHARD. ADVISES HE, VELANTI, HAS ONLY PASSED THROUGH ATLANTA STAYING OVER NIGHT.

DENIED BEING QUESTIONED RE KANSAS CITY GANGSTER WHEN ARRESTED KANSAS CITY. ADVISED HE WAS QUESTIONED BY DETECTIVE HATFIELD, KANSAS CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT, ONLY IN REGARD TO OFFENSE FOR WHICH HE WAS CONVICTED WHICH WAS ARMED ROBBERY OF JOHN RINGO, OPERATOR OF DRAKE HOTEL, KANSAS CITY.

HOWEVER, VELANTI ADVISED HE TOOK "BUM RAP" OF ROBBERY OF RINGO IN ORDER TO AVOID DIVULGING HIS WHEREABOUTS AND PERSON
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ACCOMPANYING HIM AT TIME OF RINGO ROBBERY. STATED EITHER WAY HE HAD TO GO TO PRISON IN EITHER MISSOURI OR KANSAS. WOULD HAVE GOTTEN MORE TIME IN KANSAS.

REFUSED TO DISCUSS WHEREABOUTS, OFFENSE, OR ASSOCIATES ACCOMPANYING HIM ON THAT DATE BECAUSE OF NATURE OF OFFENSE AND PERSON OR PERSONS INVOLVED. ADVISED THAT ANY INVESTIGATION INTO THIS MATTER MATTER COULD JEOPARDIZE HIS PRESENT PAROLE STATUS EVEN THOUGH STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS HAS RUN ON THAT CRIME.

DENIES HAVING RELATIVES BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA. DENIES KNOWLEDGE OF ANY CONNECTION BETWEEN NEW ORLEANS GANGSTERS AD GANGSTERS IN KANSAS CITY. //

IN PREVIOUS INTERVIEW, VELANTI ADVISED "NOONEY" EDEN IS JAMES EDEN. EDEN IS TONGUE-TIED AND NICKNAMED NOONEY BECAUSE OF HIS INABILITY TO PRONOUNCE BOLONEY.

ADMITS HAVING PLANNED ESCAPES FROM MSP, BUT NEVER WITH ACCOMPLICE. NEVER HEARD OF PRISONERS PLAN TO ESCAPE TO LIBERIA OR HIDE OUT IN A VIRGINIA CAVE.

SUBSEQUENT TO ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY, VELANTI ADMITS FIGHTING WITH FELLOW PRISONER OUTSIDE CATHOLIC CHAPEL
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MSP BECAUSE OF DEROGATORY STATEMENT MADE BY PRISONER CONCERNING PRESIDENT KENNEDY AS A CATHOLIC. DOES NOT RECALL NAME OF PRISONER, AND NO CHARGES FILED.

RECALLS MANY PRISONERS DEGRADING NEGROES, BUT STATES THAT DEROGATORY STATEMENT CONCERNING CATHOLICS NOT MADE IN HIS PRESENCE, INASMUCH AS HE IS CATHOLIC.

IN BOTH INTERVIEWS VELANTI DENIED KNOWLEDGE OF "~~COOLEY~~" (PHONETIC), BUT ASSOCIATES NAME AND NEGRO INMATE MSP. NEVER HEARD OF MONEY OFFERED FOR DEATH OF DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING.

NEW ORLEANS, AT BOSIER CITY, LOUISIANA, ATTEMPT TO LOCATE AND INTERVIEW BETTYE VELANTI, NEE PRITCHARD, LAST KNOWN ADDRESS ONE TWO SEVEN ZERO CHANEY DRIVE, REGARDING ASSOCIATION BETWEEN VELANTI AND SUBJECT RAY; AND IF THEY WERE INVOLVED IN OIL COMPANY ROBBERY IN ATLANT PRIOR TO VELANTI'S IMPRISONMENT MSP. ADVISE BIRMINGHAM RESULTS, AS NEEDED TO EVALUATE CREDIBILITY OF BROWN, WHO HAS BEEN INTERVIEWED AND MADE ALLEGATIONS OF RAY, VELANTI ASSOCIATION AND OIL ROBBERY.

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TO DIRECTOR, ST. LOUIS AND BIRMINGHAM
FROM NEW ORLEANS (157-10673)
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RE ST LOUIS TEL FOUR EIGHTEEN PM INSTANT.

RE: JOHN PAUL VELANTI

INVESTIGATION BOSSIER CITY, LOUISIANA REVEALS CHANEY
DRIVE HAS BEEN NON-EXISTENT FOR THREE YEARS. CHANEY DRIVE
CONSISTED OF A FEW APARTMENTS WHICH WERE TORN DOWN THREE
YEARS AGO AND REPLACED BY A HOLIDAY INN MOTEL.

GEORGE DEMANT, MANAGER, HOLIDAY INN, BOSSIER CITY,
ADVISED FIVE ELEVEN INSTANT THAT MOTEL HAS ADDRESS OF
HAMILTON ROAD AND NEVER USED CHANEY DRIVE AS AN ADDRESS.
DEMANT SAID HE HAS NEVER HEARD OF BETTYE VELANTI NEE
PRITCHARD.

VIRGIL HUFF, POST OFFICE EMPLOYEE, BOSSIER CITY, ADVISED
FIVE ELEVEN INSTANT HE HAS NO ADDRESS OR FORWARDING ADDRESS
FOR BETTYE VELANTI NEE PRITCHARD.

WILLIAM THORTON, BOSSIER CITY PD, AND DEPUTY SHERIFF

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- 1 - Kansas city
- 1 - Atlanta
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VOL DOOLEY, ADVISED FIVE ELEVEN INSTANT THEIR RECORDS
ARE NEGATIVE ON BETTYE VELANTI NEE PRITCHARD.

CREDIT BUREAU AT SHREVEPORT, LA., WHICH COVERS
BOSSIER CITY IS CLOSED AND WILL NOT BE OPENED UNTIL
MONDAY A.M. A REVIEW OF CURRENT AND PAST CITY, TELEPHONE,
AND CRISS-CROSS DIRECTORIES NEGATIVE ON BETTYE VELANTI
NEE PRITCHARD.

ST. LOUIS AT ST. LOUIS WILL REINTERVIEW JOHN PAUL
VELANTI FOR IDENTITY AND WHEREABOUTS OF PARENTS OR OTHER
RELATIVES OF HIS EXWIFE BETTYE VELANTI NEE PRITCHARD AND
HAVE THESE RELATIVES INTERVIEWED AS TO HER PRESENT WHERE-
ABOUTS.

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45PM URGENT 5-12-68 JLS

TO DIRECTOR, ATLANTA, BIRMINGHAM, KANSAS CITY, MEMPHIS, AND NEW
ORLEANS.

FROM ST. LOUIS (44-775)

MURKIN

RE NO TEL TO BU AND SL TEL TO BU, BOTH MAY ELEVEN LAST.

RE JOHN PAUL VELANTI - JAMES W. BROWN

VELANTI REINTERVIEWED TODAY. NOW RECALLS ONE JIMMY RAYE
(PHONETIC) WM, TWENTY-SEVEN, SIX FOOT ONE, ONE FIFTY LBS, LEFT
HANDED GAMBLER AND BASKET BALL PLAYER WHO WAS INVOLVED WITH VELANTI
IN GAMBLING AT MSP. RAYE STILL AT MSP ACCORDING TO VELANTI. RAYE
HAD OLDER BROTHER, LARRY RAYE, FORMER INMATE MSP. BELIEVES JIMMY
RAYE CONFUSED WITH SUBJECT RAY BY JAMES W. BROWN.

VELANTI ADVISES WIFE, BETTYE PITTARD, AKA PRITCHARD, PETERSON,
(PROBABLY MAIDEN NAME) AND VELANTI, EMPLOYED FOR SEVERAL YEARS AS
KEY PUNCH OPERATOR FOR LOUISIANA - ARKANSAS RAILROAD AT BOTH
SHREVEPORT AND ATLANTA. PARENTS AND REALTIVES BELIEVED TO RESIDE
ATLANTA. BETTYE MEMBER OF DOWNTOWN BRANCH ALCOHOLICS ANNONYMOUS
CLUB, SHREVEPORT, LA. MAY HAVE BEEN AA MEMBER IN ATLANTA.

FRIEND OF VELANTI, JAMES, "JIMMY" H. CARPENTER, FORMER MSP
INMATE, ZERO ONE SEVEN SIX ONE ADVISES SUBJECT RAY WELL KNOWN TO
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HIM MSP. CARPENTER RELEASED ON PAROLE FROM MSP FIVE ONE SIXTY-SEVEN. SAW SUBJECT RAY ON SOUTH ELEVENTH ST., SLMO ON THREE OCCASSIONS BETWEEN MAY TEN AND SEVENTEENTH, SIXTYSEVEN. SUBJECT RAY POORLY DRESSED, WEARING MUSTACHE. BORROWED TEN DOLLARS FROM CARPENTER. STATED HE NEEDED GUN TO MAKE A SCORE SO HE COULD LEAVE ST. LOUIS. CARPENTER GOT IMPRESSION RAY WAS THEN GOING TO ILLINOIS.

CARPENTER RECALLS INMATE MSP KNOWN AS ~~(FNU) COOLEY~~ (PH) DESCRIBES AS WM, FORTY-FIVE YEARS OLD AT PRESENT, SIX FEET, ONE FIFTY LBS, SLENDER, BLACK HAIR, WALKS WITH LIMP. IN MSP ON TWO OCCASSIONS. LAST RELEASED PRIOR TO NINETEEN SIXTY WHEN SUBJECT RAY ENTERED MSP. THIS PERSON TRIED TO BE AN INTELLECTUAL. READ SCIENCE AND SEX BOOKS CONTINUALLY. WORKED IN KITCHEN MSP.

ATLANTA ATTEMPT TO IDENTIFY AND LOCATE WIFE OF VELANTI, BETTYE PITTARD, AND INTERVIEW REGARDING ANY ASSOCIATION OF VELANTI WITH SUBJECT RAY. VERIFY AND FIX DATE OF ALLEDGED ROBBERY OR BURGLARY OF ATLANTA OIL COMPANY BY RAY AND VELANTI.

KANSAS CITY AT JEFFERSON CITY WILL ATTEMPT TO IDENTIFY JIMMY RAYE (PH) MENTIONED BY VELANTI AS PERSON PROBABLY REFERRED TO BY JAMES A. BROWN OF BIRMINGHAM.

ATTEMPT TO IDENTIFY COOLEY AS DESCRIBED.

NEW ORLEANS AT SHREVEPORT WILL CONDUCT INVESTIGATION TO LOCATE AND INTERVIEW BETTYE PITTARD, RE ASSOCIATION BETWEEN SUBJECT RAY AND VELANTI.

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Captain Hook

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Cap, Norman Nash

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Mary Potts

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Peter Wilson

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87-2590*

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<i>157-5920*</i>			
<i>173-538*</i>			
<i>42-8029*</i>			
<i>44-549*</i>			
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From: Director, FBI (44-38861)

MURKIN

OO: MEMPHIS (44-1987)

In connection with the captioned case there has been speculation that James Earl Ray concocted the alias of Eric Starvo Galt by combining the names of characters from books by Ian Fleming and from a book "Atlas Shrugged" by Ayn Rand. This speculation is based on the fact that in the James Bond books by Ian Fleming there is a character named Ernst Stavro Blofield and in "Atlas Shrugged" there is a character named John Galt, as well as one named Eric Starnes. Ernst Stavro Blofield is a formidable person, John Galt is a "social drop out" and Eric Starnes is described in the book as a "whiner" from a low-class family.

In view of the above and in order that Agents handling this investigation can be alert to the possibility of Ray's utilizing an alias based on characters in Fleming's books, there is set out as an attachment to this airtel a list of various characters in those books for your assistance.

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CHARACTERS IN BOOKS

BY IAN FLEMING

CASINO ROYALE

James Bond

de Villorin

Duclos

Dasilva

Clements

Caffery

Fawcett

Herr Nummer

Herr Ziffer

Smersh

Deauville

Le Touquet

Zographos

Cypher

Alsace Lorraine

Strasbourg

Archivist

Smyert Shpionam

Goytchev

Garrad-Jones

Petchora

Donovan

Harthrop-Vane

Ventnor

Mace

Savarin

Mathis

Charles Dasilva

Kingston

Monsieur Muntz

Trouville

Royale

Vesper Lynd

Dior

Monsieur Sixte

Lord Danvers

Carmel Delane

Signor Tomelli

Rene Mathis

Monsieur Versoix

Adolph Gettler

Herr Gettler

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Sillitoe
Daker
Jacoby
Bronsteen
Sefton Delmer
DeBeers
Ronnie Vallance
Rufus B. Saye, wa,
Jack Spang
Peter Franks
Tiffany Case
Sergeant Dankwaerts
Sergeant Lobiniere
Mister Grunspan
Willy Behrens
George Feyer
Michael Tree, wa,
Shady Tree
Seraffimo Spang
W. Winter
Mike Hammer
Rocky

Felix Leiter
Pickapepper
Mauve Decade
Bill Winfrey
Kid Tatters
Lame-Brain Pissaro
Belair Stud
Mr. Weiss
Windy Wint
Boofy Kidd
Ernie Cuneo
Jack Entratter
Bobby Bilbo
Mr. Lucian
Frasso
McGonigle
Captain Hook
B. Kitteridge
Mr. Rothblatt
THE DIAMOND SMUGGLERS
Ian Fleming

Sir Reginald Leeper
Mr. Swart
Brigadier Rademeyer
Volk
Bernard Nealon
John Blaize
Williamson
Prospector Katze
du Raan
Mr. Louwrens
Sergeant Cilliers
Andries Coetzze
Alexander Foote
Desmond
Percy Sillitoe
Ernest Oppenheimer
J. A. Brink
Claasens
Bill Syer
Fuchs
LeBeers

THE DIAMOND SMUGGLERS

Van Blommestein & Birt

Tim Patterson

Piet Willers

T. S. Patterson

Blake

Davis

de Graaf

Mrs. Coetzze

Christine Granville

Sammy Silberstein

Captain van der Westhuisen

William Percival Radley ("Tony")

Donald Miles

Henry Orford

Blaise

Bernard Nealon

Harry Morgan

Finkle

William M. Witherspoon

P. M. R. Willis

Ardayast Powanlish

David Mitchel

Frank Wile

Max Pop

Francis Gballeit

Arthur Sherman

Belcher

Herbert Cox

Monsieur Diamant

Harry Openheimer

Kutze

Groffelaar

Patrick Sullivan

Leiser Weitman

John Gundry

Willy Rosen

Sillitoe

Henry Brasseur

Kheir

Mr. Capper

Robert Johnson

Ernest Oppenheimer

THE DIAMOND SMUGGLERS

Lyall

Richard Schreiber

Abraham Benny Engel

M. Talbot

M. H. Prince

Abraham

Isaac Ascher Glatt

Dr. H. P. Love

H. J. Browning (Mr.)

Solomon Cukrevicz

David Gollansky

Alahajji Mustafa Ibrahim

Mike Collins

R. F. Sheldon

Mr. H. Rogers

Harras

DOCTOR NO

John Strangways

M

Bill Templar

Stoker Smith

James Molony

Dr. Peter Steincrohn

Major Boothroyd

Quarrel

Hugh Foot

Mr. Playdell-Smith

Ben Gibbons

Josiah Smith

John Bryce

Waygood Otis

Julius No

Leamy

FOR YOUR EYES ONLY

Rattray

Bates

Proctor

Pyramus

Thabe

Havelock

Jimmy Farguherson

Aschenheim

Fayprince

Henriques

Feddens

Major Gonzales

von Hammerstein

Colonel Johns

Haversack

Burns Martin

Monty

Ethan Allen

Robin Hood

Harvey Millers

Gedalming

Cheltenham

Tunbridge Wells

Governor

Philip Masters

FOR YOUR EYES ONLY

Tattersall

Whitethall

Albergo Colomba D'oro

Signor Kristatos

Ronnie Vallance

Santos

Enrico Colombo

Van Cleef

Mr. Toad

Albergo Daniell

Milton Krest

Mr. Abedana

Professor Hildebrand

FROM RUSSIA WITH LOVE

Donovan Grant

"Red" Grant

Krasno Granitsky

"Granit"

Dr. Baumgarten

Colonel Arkday Potoyev

Lt. Col. Nikolai Godlovsky

General Ivan Aleksandrovitch Serov

Colonel General Grubozaboyachikey

Lt. General Slavin

Lt. General Vozdvishensky

Toksov

Khoklov

Petrov

Rene Mathis

Drax

Colonel Klebb

Kronsteen

Makharev

Fouche

Professor Deniken

Darko Kerim

Lermontov

Swaine

Adeney

Wilkinson

Kerim Bey

Cecil Beaton

FROM RUSSIA WITH LOVE

Croesus
David Somerset
Bianco
Major Dansey
Gyllius
Vavra
Krilenku
Zora
Vida
Boris Kerim
Melchior Benz
Kurt Goldfarb
Stefan Trempo
"Tempo"
Captain Norman Nash
Wilbur Frank
Comtesse Metterstein
Rosa Malheur

GOLDFINGER

Blackwell
Schwab
Santos
Johnny Crawford
Auric Goldfinger
Mr. Armour
Jill Masterton
Colonel Smithers
Sassoon
Ellerman
Lord Cowdray
Rothschilds, Barings, Jed Midnight
Hambros
Williamson
Oppenheimer
Boris Anrep
Hopton Wood
Alfred Blacking
Farquharson
Hawker
Lord Lonsdale

Homer
Philip Scrutton
Foulks
Hagen
Bernard Darwin
Mr. Scotland
Le Touquet
Tilly Masterton
Dr. Foch
Mr. Gold
Helmut M. Springer
Billy (The Grinner) Ring
Jack Strap
Mr. Solo
Jim Colossimo
Slappy Hapgood
Giulio
Bloody Morgan
Cortez

GOLDFINGER

O' Brien
Weathership Charlie
Dutch Schuyts
Napoleon, Hitler

LIVE AND LET DIE

Grady
Arthur Fein
Buonaparte Ignace Gallia
Tee-Hee Johnson
Leigh Fermor
Samuel D. Baldwin
Mr. Halloran
Captain Dexter
Zachary Smith
Baron Samedi
Sam Miami
G-G Sumatra
Flannel
Mr. Bryce
Quarrel

THE MAN WITH THE GOLDEN GUN

M.
Captain Walker
Major Townsend
Mr. Robson

Sir James Molony
Bill Tanner
Ramon "The Rod" Rodriguez
Enrico Scaramanga
Harold L. Peterson
Oliver Winchester
Beau Desert
Commander Edmund G. Ross
Mark Hazard
Tony Hugill
Mr. Brown
Francisco Scaramanga
Mr. Hendriks
Sam Binion
Leroy Gengerella
Hal Garfinkel

THE MAN WITH THE GOLDEN GUN

Louie Paradise

Mr. Travis

Mr. Nick Nicholson

Stanley Jones

King Tiger

Sir Alexander Bustamante

Mr. Scramble

Mr. Arosio

~~Rastafari~~

Macdonald

Bannister

Percival Sampson

Lister Smith

Justice Morris Cargill

Donitz

Guderian

MOONRAKER

Hugo Drax ("Hugger")

Jack Hobbs

Gordon Richards

Basildon (Basil)

Tranby Croft

~~Steffi Esposito~~

Meyer

Gibbon

Longchamp

Brevett

Canfield

Dangerfield

Max

Porterfield

Grimley

General Bealey

~~Duff Sutherland~~

Morphy

Ronnie Vallance

Tallon

Gala Brand

Egon Bartsch

Professor Train

Dr. Walter

Willy Krebs

~~Marie Laurencin~~

~~Leica~~

~~Baxter~~

Professor Bhose

Galatea

Graf Hugo von der
Drache

Kaltenbrunner

~~Otto Skorzeny~~

Group Captain Tandy

Peter Trimble

Detective-Inspector
Vivian

ON HER MAJESTY'S SECRET SERVICE

Phillips Bertrand

Boudin

Monet

Ernst Stavro Blofeld

Croupier

Rossi

Andre Mattei

Peckham

Laurence Sterne

Johnson

Goldsmith

Dean Swift

Lord Nelson

Sable Basilish Pursuivant

Gebriider Guspold-Moosbrugger

Tissot

Tracy

Blauenfelder

Monsieur Maurice

Monsieur Poi

Changaur

Marc - Ange Draco

Jean Gindicelli

Griffon Or

Sir Thomas Bond

Nell Gweynn

Boswell

Reynolds

Garrick

Canning

Lord Bentley Royal

Sir Hilary Bray

G. W. Marshall

Sir James Malony

Achmed

Jenny Bray

Mary potts

O'Neill

Maria Stavro Michelopoulos

Captain Boris

Alphonse de Bleuville

D'daigneys

Professor Auguste Kommer

Cente de Bleuville

ON HER MAJESTY'S SECRET SERVICE

Fritz

Ivan

Bertil Yugo

Sir George Dunbar

George Albert Windsor

Ernst George Blofeld

Shaun Campbell

Herr Graf

Pat Smythe

Simon de Bleuville

Muir

Summerhayes

Mr. Leathers

Marius

Che-Che

Ernst Stefan Blofeld

Mr. Franklin

Sir Ronald Vallance

Mr. Trumper

Toussaint

THE SPY WHO LOVED ME

Mr. Sanguinetti

Jed Phancey

Derek Mallaby

Ben Said

Maurice Smart

Don Shirley

James Grant

Audrey Thompson

Nosy Parker

Hoppy Jones

Bill Kenny

Charlie Fuqua

Harling

Len Holbrook

Frank Donaldson

Bill Donaldson

Kurt Rainer

Trude

Herr Doktor Braunschweig

Pat Moss

Elliott Frey

Millicent

Sluggsy Morant

Sol (Horror) Horowitz

Horst Uhlmann

Lieutenant Morrow

O'Donnell

Captain Stonor

THUNDERBALL

Bircher-Brenner
Kneipp
Preissnitz
Rikli
Schroth
Gossman
Bilz
Joshua Wain
Alan Moyle
Heinkel
Count Lippe
Beresford
Jules
Gregor Karlski
Ernst Stavro Blofeld
Marius Domingue
Pierre Borraud
Giuseppi Petacchi
Fidelio Sciacco
Bruno Bayer
Fonda
Enrico Valli

YOU ONLY LIVE TWICE

Vargas	Tiger Tanaka
Emilio Largo	Trembling Leaf
Kotze	Grey Pearl
Leopoldo Rodriques	Dikko Henderson
Dominetta Vitali	Admiral Ohnishi
Pitman	Porterfield
F. Larkin	Sir James Molony
Roddick	Ernst Stavro Blofeld
Felix Leiter	Richard Lovelace Henderson
Bryce	
Harold Christie	Tracy
Sergeant Molony	Colonel Hamilton
Mr. Snow	Prenderghast
Mr. Player	Bill Tanner
Constable Santos	Jim Saunderson
Emil Traut	Mariko Ichiban
Brigadier Fairchild	Superintendent Ando
Peter Pedersen	Taro Todoroki
Admiral Carlson	Kono
Strelik	Kazama
Petty Officer Fallon	
Dr. Stengel	Doctor Guntram Shatter- hand, aka-Comte de Bleuville

THRILLING CITIES

Leonard Russell

Mr. Friere

Hugh Barton

Jack Conder

Dick Hughes

Kadooris

Richard Mason

Dr. Lobo

Samuel Montague

Len Cosgrove

"Cos"

"Tiger" Saito

Alan Searle

Mr. Fratinelli

Captain James Hamilton

Virgil Peterson

Professor Philip Fox

Colonel Edward Bradley

Ben Goffstein

Ray Russell

Charles Beaumont

Ray Brennan

Joey Glinco

Francis "The Immune" Maritote

Charles "Cherry Nose" Gice

Richard Hauff

Cosmo Orlando

Carlo "Bananas" Urbaniti

Ripa

Joseph Broge

Gene Gleason

Ben Jacobson

David Barlow

Felix Leiter

Martha Richard

Antony Terry

Knoeller

"Rickey" Renee

Dr. Julius Raab

Dr. Kriesky

Anton Karas

Colonel Podharsky

Dr. Bircher-Brenner

Frederick Bussey

Pierre Lescoud

Charles Zumbach

Andre Zumbach

Professor Pittard

Francesco Waldman

Salvatori Funari

OCTOPUSSY, THE DARLING

Major Dexter Raythe

Professor Sengry

Dr. Jimmy Greaves

Luna

Hannes Chersauser

Gieves

Arundels

Marchesis

Dr. Cahuzac

THE LIVING DAYLIGHTS

Corporal Menzies

Tanqueray

Trigger

Captain Paul Bender

Grafia hiselotte Mutzenbacher

Ameryllis

Donskaya

Lomova

THE PROPERTY OF A LADY

Dr. Fanshawe

Faberge

Kenneth Snowman

Peter Wilson

Piotr Malinowski

CHITTY CHITTY BANG BANG

Commander Caractacus Pott

Missie Pott

Jeremy (Pott)

Commander Crackpott

Lord Skrumshus

Man Mountain Fink

Soapy Sam

Blood-money Banks

Monsieur Bon-Bon

Jacques

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Date: 5/10/68

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
 FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)
 RE: MURKIN

Re Memphis telephone call to Los Angeles 5/9/68.

Enclosed for the Bureau are four copies of a photograph of RITA STEIN taken 5/18/67.

Referenced Memphis telephone call advised that information received by Memphis Office indicated that two elderly women, 40-42 years of age visited JAMES EARL RAY while he resided at the Harkey Apartments in Montreal, Canada. Apparently this information was contained in a portion of a Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP) report received by the Memphis Office. This RCMP report noted that possibly these women were identical to RITA STEIN and MARIE MARTIN.

The Los Angeles Division is not in possession of a photograph of MARIE MARTIN.

LEADS

The Bureau is requested to furnish copies of the enclosed photographs to Legat, Ottawa, Canada, so they in turn can be exhibited to Mr. (FNU) QUINTAL, Harkey Apartments, Montreal, Canada, to determine if STEIN identical to one of the two women who visited RAY while he resided there.

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AT NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA: Is requested to obtain photograph of MARIE MARTIN from the New Orleans Police Department and send copies of them to the Bureau for dissemination to Legat, Ottawa, Canada, so as to determine whether MARTIN is identical to one of the two women who visited RAY in Montreal.

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CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20505

11 7 MAY 1968

TO : Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Attention: Mr. S. J. Papich

FROM : Deputy Director for Plans

SUBJECT: MUSGROVE, Joe Bailey

1. The following paragraphs summarize information relayed telephonically to the Bureau, and are forwarded to you for confirmation and for your files.

2. On 28 April 1968, our representative in Addis Ababa reported that Doctor Klaus Steer, a West German citizen and Director of the African Scientific Department, E. Merck Aktiengesellschaft, Karmstady, Germany, visited the American Embassy, at the request of the local German Ambassador, and reported that he had seen a man in Lagos, Nigeria on 23 April 1968 who strongly resembled newspaper photographs of Eric Stavro Galt, who is currently wanted in connection with the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King. Dr. Steer said that he saw the Subject at the desk of the Bristol Hotel on the afternoon of 23 April when both were checking out of the hotel. Dr. Steer was accidentally given the hotel accounting receipt for the Subject, on which he noted "Name: Joe Musgaque, Room No: 403, Receipt No: D 52138, Account No: 08325." In a short conversation with Subject, Dr. Steer learned that Subject was employed by the "Wilder Oil Company" and was en-route to Warri, Nigeria on an 18 month contract. Subject told Dr. Steer that he had recently arrived in Lagos from Las Palmas via Accra on Nigerian Airlines.

3. The above information was relayed to the Bureau upon receipt by our duty officer on 29 April 1968. We were advised that the Bureau records did

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not contain information on Subject or the Wilder Oil Company. We then requested our representative in Lagos to investigate this matter through unilateral means and through liaison.

4. On 29 April, liaison in Lagos checked the Bristol Hotel and determined that a Joe Musgrove, an American employee of McDermott Overseas Incorporated, arrived in Lagos on 23 April from Las Palmas and stayed in Lagos until 26 April, when he was to leave for the Midwestern State (Warri). Our representative received this information on 30 April 1968, and then visited Mr. Ray Landry, a U. S. citizen, Acting Chief of the McDermott Company, and obtained the following information from a personnel file: Joe Bailey MUSGROVE departed the U. S. on 9 October 1967 for employment with McDermott Nigeria. He has been resident in Nigeria since that date, except for the period 10-23 April, when he went to Las Palmas on leave. Date of Birth: [redacted] Occupation: Welder. Home Address: P.O. Box 1002, Farmington, New Mexico. Married, wife in U. S. Father: Banks Musgrove, 1017 East Garden (city and state not recorded).

5. Our representative also obtained a passport photograph of the Subject from the McDermott Company and is forwarding the photo to our Headquarters. Later on 30 April, liaison informed our Lagos representative that the Subject holds a U. S. Passport Number [redacted] issued in the U. S. and valid until 4 October 1970.

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To: SACs, Houston
New Orleans (157-10673)

From: Director, FBI

MURKIN

Re Joe Bailey Musgrove.

Reference is made to WFOairtel 5-2-68 regarding individual observed in Nigeria who resembled the subject.

Enclosed for Houston and New Orleans are two copies of a memorandum from CIA dated 5-7-68 (S). One copy is enclosed for the other offices.

In view of the fact "Joe Musgaque" has been identified as Joe Bailey Musgrove, no further action is necessary.

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Confidential source, whose reliability has not been established, advised that he was received in the Missouri State Penitentiary during September, 1965, and was immediately placed in quarantine for a thirty-day observation period which is required of all new prisoners and thereafter he was assigned to Cell 188, Tier #8, J. Hall, and scheduled to work in the carpenter shop. In this connection, the source stated that there is only one inmate to a cell and that the Missouri State Penitentiary has five halls within the prison wall which house prisoners.

The source said that while in J. Hall, during November, 1965, he first became acquainted with JAMES EARL RAY, who was already assigned to J Hall and who worked daily in J Hall as a "Walk Boy." The source explained that the duties of JAMES EARL RAY as a "Walk Boy" were to take orders for cigarettes, gum, candy, etc., which could be purchased within the prison and to bring hot water for shaving and instant coffee to the inmates. The source added that JAMES EARL RAY was the only "Walk Boy" in J Hall and further that he was free to contact any inmate and could move throughout the hall freely. He pointed out that this was RAY's only duty in the hall and that he could remain inside during working hours, having no other assignments.

The source said that his first conversation with RAY took place when RAY observed him reading a Birmingham, Alabama "Post-Herald" newspaper which he had a subscription to while in prison. The source advised that RAY asked him on this occasion if he was from the State of Alabama to which he replied he was from Walker County, Alabama. RAY said to the source that he knew where Walker County, Alabama, was located and further that this was a dry county, serving no alcoholic beverages, which gave the source the impression that RAY knew what he was talking about, especially since he mentioned beer joints like the All State Tavern, another beer joint which source believed was Rose's Place and Riverview Cafe.

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RAY said that he had visited or stayed in the Birmingham, Alabama, area in the past; however, RAY never mentioned any associates, acquaintances, friends, relatives or employments in the State of Alabama. The source advised that this conversation ended with RAY asking him if he could have his Birmingham, Alabama, "Post-Herald" newspaper when he finished reading them each day, which was agreeable to source. The source advised thereafter RAY would come by his cell each evening and pick up his newspaper which he would place between the cell bars.

The source said that RAY never discussed his family nor did he ever indicate from which part of the United States he came from, but the source believed that RAY was from the southern part of the United States only because RAY never indicated where he was from, coupled with his interest in a southern newspaper.

The source stated that he personally gave RAY his present home address and telephone number on one occasion, telling RAY to stop by his home sometime if and when he ever got released from prison and they would have a drink or two together. The source pointed out that RAY did not ask him for his address or telephone number and that he merely furnished this to RAY knowing that he was doing a 20 year prison sentence and more than likely he would never again see RAY after he left prison. He stated that when he gave RAY his address and telephone number, RAY replied "Don't be surprised if I call you up sometime" and thereafter placed this piece of paper in his pocket.

The source said that RAY was a very quiet individual, soft spoken, calm, clean, never laughed or enjoyed a good story, solemn face, and remained to himself most of the time. The source advised that he would often see RAY in the prison yard and on occasion attempted to strike up a conversation with RAY, but he never appeared interested so the source gave up trying to make conversation with RAY.

The source said that the only topic which would arouse RAY's interest was the subject of money. The source

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stated that on one occasion during a conversation with RAY, RAY said "One of these days if I ever get out of here I am going to make myself a bunch of money." When source asked how he intended doing this, RAY replied he had contacts and there are more ways of making money than robbing banks. Source then asked RAY what his plan was, to which RAY replied "The Businessmen's Association has offered \$100,000.00 for killing MARTIN LUTHER KING and he's five years past due." The source stated he then asked RAY what the Businessmen's Association was, to which RAY replied "I don't know but I will find out." The source added that this was the first and last time RAY ever mentioned MARTIN LUTHER KING nor did he ever again mention the Businessmen's Association in his presence.

The source said that RAY told him that he always worked alone and therefore limited the possibility of being caught and said "I have got a place picked out where I can hide," never mentioning where the place was located.

The source stated there was a prison cigarette lottery going on almost daily in J Hall and that RAY was involved in this lottery, delivering wagering tickets as well as picking these up and would deliver the winnings to inmates each night. He said there were two separate lotteries in J Hall. One lottery was run by two inmates named JOHNNY VALENTI and another individual from St. Louis, Missouri, name unknown. The source described this individual as a white male, Italian, age 43 to 46, dark complexion with gunshot wound in face and nicknamed "Dago." The source said the other lottery in J Hall was run by an individual nicknamed "Boston," who was doing a 20 year sentence and described him as a white male, 45 years of age, very short and occupied either cell 23, 24 or 25 on the flag in J Hall, meaning the first floor.

The source said that he did not like VALENTI's wagering odds so he always placed his wagers with the individual nicknamed "Boston." The source stated that

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RAY would always handle the wagers since he could talk to any inmates in the cellblock and was reimbursed by JOHNNY VALENTI and "Boston" for this service. Source estimated that there were approximately two dozen lotteries being operated in the Missouri State Penitentiary, which consisted of five separate halls housing the prisoners.

The source advised that he never saw RAY run narcotics or handle contraband at any time and on one occasion RAY showed him his arms to prove that he had never been addicted to narcotics. The source added that he never observed RAY with any large sums of money.

The source advised that there was an organization being operated at the Missouri State Penitentiary by the inmates and this organization was called "Cooley's Organization." The source said that this was a protection and enforcer organization and that while en route to the Missouri State Penitentiary he first became aware that such an organization existed. The source advised that he was at one time lodged at the County Jail in Springfield, Missouri, for several months and became acquainted with a prisoner, (FNU) CRAIG, whom he described as a "four time loser." The source said that CRAIG has a brother who is a detective on the Springfield Police Department and that CRAIG had previously served time at Missouri State Penitentiary and was being returned to this penitentiary. The source said that when CRAIG learned that he also was en route to the Missouri State Penitentiary, CRAIG advised him to join the Cooley's Organization at the Missouri State Penitentiary since he would need to get along with other prisoners and be being a member of this organization, he would obtain "special favors." The source said that CRAIG informed him that the Cooley's Organization would settle any grievances he may have while at Missouri State Penitentiary against other prisoners and that this was a very powerful organization, having influence with guards and could even, for a price, arrange "a murder."

The source advised that after his release from quarantine, he again observed CRAIG, who was then working in the mess hall at the Missouri State Penitentiary. The source advised that he then approached CRAIG and told CRAIG that he desired to join the Cooley's Organization and at this time gave him a \$10.00 canteen book, pointing out that the membership fee to join the Cooley's Organization was \$10.00 and that this membership fee would make an inmate a paid up member as long as he was in prison. The source advised that CRAIG told him that he would obtain his membership for him and the same night JAMES EARL RAY came to his cell and gave him a card saying "Here is your card," and nothing else, and therefore he always felt that RAY was a member of the Cooley's Organization since he was so trusted. However, RAY never said to him that he was a member nor did he ever ask him.

The source said that his membership card was type written with his name on it and had the heading "Membership Cooley's Club." The source said that this membership card was like a credit card and it could get an inmate credit on purchases of candy and other sundries but could not be used for credit purposes on lotteries.

The source advised that he had two or three differences with prisoners over wagers while in J Hall and upon getting no satisfaction, he personally contacted CRAIG in the mess hall at which time he displayed to CRAIG his membership card and filed his grievance with CRAIG. The source stated that CRAIG informed him that he would handle this complaint; however, the fee for handling his grievance was 50% of what was due a prisoner. The source added that subsequently RAY appeared at his cell in J Hall with his share of the cigarettes collected from his grievance.

The source stated that CRAIG was later transferred from the mess hall to the Church Farm, which is located outside the prison wall at Missouri State Penitentiary. The source said that prior to CRAIG's departure, CRAIG

contacted him and instructed him who to see in the future to take complaints should he have any additional grievances. At this point, the source pointed out that most grievances would be placed either at the mess hall or the prison yard, noting that only during these periods of time all the inmates from different halls could talk with each other. The source added that he was unable to furnish any description of name of the individual he was instructed to contact in the mess hall after the departure of CRAIG since he had no further complaints and was subsequently transferred to the Krenz farm, which is also located outside the prison.

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for five Negro prisoners to enter the shower room on one occasion and stabbed three of the Negroes to death, wounded a fourth and the fifth escaped. He said that at no time did he hear any rumor that RAY was involved in these killings.

The source said that the inmates located in J Hall at the time he was also lodged there and who could possibly furnish additional information concerning RAY were ~~(FNU) SPRATT~~, cell 187, and ~~GENE (LNU)~~, cell 190, who escaped by overpowering a guard and taking his uniform; however, this individual was successfully apprehended and returned to Missouri State Penitentiary. Source advised that another inmate, name unknown, who occupied cell 190, was a lottery player. Another inmate, name unknown, nicknamed "Cowboy," was a hall tender in charge of convicts in J Hall.

This source was displayed numerous photographs of JAMES EARL RAY and advised that all photographs bear a close resemblance to RAY; however, he specifically identified the photograph of JAMES EARL RAY taken at the Missouri State Penitentiary during the time he was incarcerated. The source said that he would have no difficulty in identifying RAY should he ever see him again, even if he attempted to disguise his identity; giving as his reasons that RAY was definitely "slough-footed" and his toes pointed out noticeably when he walked causing his heels and soles to wear down on the outside edges. He has a prominent cleft on his chin, which is noticeable and remarked that RAY liked his booze and that he had the impression from talking with him that he was a heavy drinker. The source also added that in his opinion from his knowledge of RAY in prison that he thought RAY had a normal sex life.

The source advised that the only other person that he knew that RAY might have been closely associated when in prison was a full-blooded Indian prisoner who was the barber in J Hall but whose name he could not recall. The source stated that he definitely had not been contacted by RAY since he has been released from prison, which was May 3, 1967, and stated that he would notify the Birmingham FBI Office if RAY ever attempted to contact him in any way or manner in the future.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
FROM: SAC, BIRMINGHAM (44-1740) (P)
SUBJECT: MURKIN
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(OO: MEMPHIS)

Re Birmingham teletype to Bureau, Memphis and
Kansas City, 5/8/68.

Enclosed for Bureau and all receiving offices
are two copies of an investigative insert reflecting
the results of interviews with THOMAS BRITTON, a former
inmate of Missouri State Penitentiary who is acquainted
with JAMES EARL RAY and who furnished considerable
information relative to RAY's prison activities.

The confidential source referred to in enclosed
insert is THOMAS BRITTON, 1710 Alabama Avenue, Jasper,
Alabama, who is presently employed as a cabinet maker at
Foster's Cabinet Shop, Haleyville, Alabama. After giving
this matter careful consideration, the identity of BRITTON
is being concealed at this time in view of his cooperative
attitude coupled with the fact that he desires his
identity be protected as he fears retaliation from the
Cooley's Organization, Missouri State Penitentiary, should
they learn he is cooperating or furnishing information

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to the FBI. Also, Birmingham feels that additional information may be furnished by BRITTON, noting that JAMES EARL RAY presently has his home address and telephone number and could possibly contact him in the future. Disclosure of his identity could possibly alienate this potential source of information.

THOMAS BRITTON was interviewed on 5/6/68 by SA JOHN H. KRESEK and was again interviewed on 5/7/68 by SA's JOHN H. KRESEK, ROBERT M. BARRETT and WILLIAM A. SAUCIER.

Information copies of this investigative insert are being furnished to the New Orleans, Mobile, St. Louis and Springfield Divisions in view of their investigative interest in this matter, coupled with the fact the results of this interview may be valuable when and if JOHNNY VALENTI is located, noting that he has been alleged to be in the New Orleans or St. Louis, Missouri, area. Also, Springfield has several relatives of RAY residing within their division.

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