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THIS VOLUME COMPLETE, SEE NEXT VOLUME.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC (157-10673) (P)

FROM : SA STEPHEN M. CALLENDER

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 5/15/68

In line with previous Bureau instructions in regards to circularizing laundries and dry cleaners with IO's of JAMES EARL RAY in major areas, the following was done: *(see serial 841)*

The names and address of all laundries and dry cleaners listed in the yellow pages of the telephone books for New Orleans, Baton Rouge, Lafayette, Lake Charles, Alexandria, Shreveport and Monroe were obtained and placed on Identification Orders on 5/15/68. These IO's were subsequently mailed.

In addition to the above, IO's were mailed to all members of the New Orleans Steamship Association whose names and addresses were obtained and this can be located in serial 806 of the file.

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Predication for Investigation

CHARLES METHVIN, the former owner and operator of the Music Box Bar on Canal Street in New Orleans, when shown photographs of JAMES EARL RAY appearing on the IO, stated that during the Spring of 1967 he occasionally hired two individuals to play music at the bar a couple of nights a week. He states that the smaller of these two unrecalled individuals who played the guitar, resembled the photograph and description of JAMES EARL RAY. He stated they also have played in the area of Denham Springs, La.

METHVIN stated he paid them in cash for each night they played and they were traveling in a late model white Cadillac convertible, believed to have California license. He states that possibly an ex-convict bartender of his by the name of BILL MILLER, who last resided about three weeks ago at Dutch's Hotel, located in the 2800 to 3000 block of Magazine Street, might possibly provide more information.

METHVIN said there was a barmaid at the Music Box by the name of DIANE SHAW, residing in New Orleans at telephone number 242-2009, who might provide additional information.

LEAD:

AT NEW ORLEANS, LA. Will locate and interview BILL MILLER and DIANE SHAW regarding the two musicians mentioned above and exhibit photos of JAMES EARL RAY.

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Date: 5/13/68

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TO: SAC, NEW ORLEANS (157-10673)
FROM: SAC, MOBILE (157-2627) (P)
SUBJECT: MURKIN
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RE: GUESTS REGISTERED AT
PROVINCIAL MOTEL,
1024 CHARTRES ST.,
NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA,
DECEMBER 17-19, 1967

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

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

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

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

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2 - Memphis (Enc. 2) (44-1987)
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Special Agent in Charge

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE NEWARK	OFFICE OF ORIGIN MEMPHIS	DATE 5/13/68	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 4/12-26/68
TITLE OF CASE JAMES EARL RAY, aka. Eric Starvo Galt, Harvey Lowmyer, John Willard, James Mc Bride, James Walton, W. C. Herron, James O'Connor - FUGITIVE; REVEREND MARTIN LUTHER KING - VICTIM IO #4182, WF #442-A TOP TEN FUGITIVE		REPORT MADE BY HOWARD H. RICE	TYPED BY and
		CHARACTER OF CASE CIVIL RIGHTS - CONSPIRACY UFAC - ARMED ROBBERY	

REFERENCE

Report of SA ALAN G. SENTINELLA dated 4/18/68,
at Atlanta.

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ADMINISTRATIVE

The details of this report contain only the
investigation concerning subject's contact with the
Locksmithing Institute, Little Falls, New Jersey.

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- 3 - Birmingham (44-1740)
- 1 - Atlanta (44-2386) (Info)
- 1 - Los Angeles (44-1574) (Info)
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Results of all negative investigation conducted are maintained in Newark file.

A copy of this report for the USA, Birmingham and Memphis has been included with copies for these offices, but not marked as such. Dissemination should be held in abeyance pending Bureau authority.

LEADS

NEWARK

AT NEWARK, N.J. 1. Will follow all logical investigation toward the location and apprehension of subject.

ATLANTA, LOS ANGELES, NEW ORLEANS, CHICAGO, KANSAS CITY, ST. LOUIS (INFORMATION)

An information copy of this report has been designated for Atlanta, Los Angeles, New Orleans, Chicago, Kansas City and St. Louis in view of investigation conducted by these divisions and in anticipation of subsequent investigation.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy for:

Report of: HOWARD H. RICE
Date: 5/13/68

Office: Newark, New Jersey

Field Office File #: 44-854

Bureau File #: 44-38861

Title: JAMES EARL RAY;
REVEREND MARTIN LUTHER KING - VICTIM
IO #4182, WF #442-ACharacter: CIVIL RIGHTS - CONSPIRACY
UNLAWFUL FLIGHT TO AVOID CONFINEMENT - ARMED ROBBERY

Synopsis: Investigation at the Locksmithing Institute, Little Falls, NJ, revealed that an individual using the name ERIC S. GALT enrolled in a correspondence course, July, 1967, with initial correspondence coming from Montreal, Canada. The records indicate changes of address to Los Angeles, Birmingham and Atlanta. The most recent address is in Atlanta as of March, 1968. Investigation at local banks located photograph of payments by GALT to the Locksmithing Institute. These payments were in the form of two (2) Bank of America Money Orders, two (2) US Postal Money Orders and one (1) Canadian Postal Money Order. The FBI Laboratory has concluded that the hand printing and signatures on the material furnished by Locksmithing Institute was prepared by the individual responsible for preparing other specimens in this case attributed to ERIC S. GALT. Laboratory reports set forth. ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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DETAILS

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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Date April 22, 1968

The following information should not be made public in any other manner except in the usual proceedings following the issuance of a subpoena duces tecum.

GEORGE DURYEA, Director, Locksmithing Institute, 1590 Cardinal Drive, Little Falls, New Jersey, provided the following information:

ERIC S. GALT, 2589 Rue Notre Dame Est, Montreal, Canada, Quebec, according to his records enrolled at the Locksmithing Institute, Little Falls, New Jersey, in July, 1967. Mr. DURYEA made available an enrollment form dated stamped July 31, 1967, with the heading Locksmithing Institute-Little Falls, New Jersey 07424. The enrollment form was a pre-printed blank containing the following information:

"Please enroll me for the complete course in professional locksmithing (subject to your liberal money back agreement). I agree to follow your plan of teaching and to submit at least one lesson and/or payment each month. I will pay tuition or payment each month. I will pay the tuition fee according to the payment plan below:

"Plan A

"I enclose \$10 enrollment fee. I will pay \$7.50 with each completed lesson (not less than \$7.50 per month) until I have paid \$229.50. I may proceed as rapidly as I wish.

"Plan B - Double Quick Plan

"I enclose \$25 enrollment fee. I will pay \$15 with each completed lesson (not less than \$15 per month) until I have paid \$219.50. I may proceed as rapidly as I wish. I save \$10.

"Plan C

"I enclose \$199.50 in full payment. I may proceed as rapidly as I wish and save \$30.

On 4/12/68 at Little Falls, New Jersey File # Newark 44-854

SA JOHN R. LYONS &

SA DON G. OWENS (A)

DCO:BP

4/16/68

by _____ Date dictated _____

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Name	ERIC S. GALT
Street	2589 Rue Notre Dame Est.
City	Montreal, Canada
State	Quebec

"LESSON INCLUDES TOOLS AND SUPPLIES AT NO EXTRA CHARGE."

The above is all hand printed except the middle initial "S" which is written.

The student ledger card in the name of Mr. ERIC S. GALT, 112 1/2 Street, Northeast, Atlanta, Georgia, disclosed the following information.

In the top right hand corner it shows student number 25-3-1-15129, with a date at the top of March 30, 1968.

Mr. DUNYEA advised that the Locksmithing Institute had received a change of address for GALT to the aforementioned address on March 30, 1968.

The first payment for the course was recorded on July 31, 1967, and the last payment of \$7.50 was recorded on April 8, 1968.

Mr. DUNYEA advised that he could provide no information regarding GALT's enrollment.

The following is a confidential information form used by Locksmithing Institute when students enroll for the locksmithing course:

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CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION
for Locksmithing Institute

Your credentials as a registered Locksmithing Student justify your possession of tools and equipment necessary to pick locks and to perform other work of a highly restricted and confidential nature.

This form is your application to receive such credentials, the tools of your trade, instruction in lock-picking, and in the other secrets of the locksmithing profession. Answer each question completely and return this form promptly.

1. YOUR NAME ERIC S. GALTStudent Number 30-15189 Telephone Number _____2. Age 36 Married _____ Single x Dependents NONE3. Name of Employer AM TAKING COURSE AT AMERICAN BUSINESS CONSULT-Nature of your work ANTS. 16010 CRENSHAW, LONG BEACH, CALIF.4. Have you any specialized training? BACK PAGE5. Education: Public School _____ High X College _____ Other _____6. How do you plan to capitalize on your training?
Spare-time earnings? _____ Open Your Own Shop? _____
Other Plans? X7. Have you any physical defects? NO

8. List two character references:

1) Name MRS RITA STEEN 2) Name MRS MARIE DENINNOAddress 5666 FRANKLIN, L.A. Address 5533 HOLLYWOOD, L.A.Occupation HOUSEWIFE Occupation WAITRESS

List any other information which you feel we should have in order to help you, on the reverse side of this form.

I, the undersigned, do hereby swear and affirm that I have never been convicted of the crimes of burglary, or breaking and entry, robbery, or grand or petty larceny,

FURTHER, I solemnly swear that I will keep in strict confidence and to myself all of the information that I will receive from the Locksmithing Institute in regard to picking locks; that I will use this information only in the discharge of my duties as a locksmith; that I will never use my knowledge of this subject to aid or abet in the commission of a crime.

Name Eric S. Galt City Los Angeles
(write)
Address 1535-N-Serrano State Calif Zip Code 90027

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I HAD TRAINING IN THE MILITARY IN ORDINANCE
AND SINCE THEIR IS A SIMILARITY ^{between} THE TWO
I COULD COMBINQ THEM IN ONE BUSINESS.

According to Mr. DURYEA, this document is an affidavit filed by the student when he returns his first lesson to the Locksmithing Institute. He has no way of determining when this document might have been received, however, he would assume that it was submitted with the first lesson or else there would be a notation made on the back that his institute had submitted a follow up letter to the student.

In addition to the above documents, he made available two addresses which are as follows:

Mr. ERIC S. GALT
1535 North Serrano
Los Angeles, California 90027

Mr. ERIC S. GALT
2608 Highland Avenue
Birmingham, Alabama 35205

Dr. DURYEA further informed that the order of addresses would have been as follows: the Montreal, Canada, address, the first address that his institute received. The Los Angeles, California, address, the second received. The Birmingham, Alabama, address, the third address and the address on the student ledger card in Atlanta, Georgia, the most recent address which was March 30, 1968.

A search was made of the subscriptions for the Locksmith Ledger which is housed in the same building as the Locksmithing Institute and no subscription could be located under the name ERIC S. GALT.

Mr. DURYEA advised that everything, including lessons, payments, letters or any correspondence of any nature, received by the Locksmithing Institute or Locksmith Ledger would be immediately maintained by him and given to the Federal Bureau of Investigation as soon as possible after it is received.

In the event the above information is to be made public, a subpoena duces tecum should be directed to Mr. GEORGE DURYEA, Director, Locksmithing Institute, 1500 Cardinal Drive, Little Falls, New Jersey, 07424.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date April 25, 1968I

The following information should not be made public in any other manner than the usual proceedings following the issuance of a subpoena duces tecum.

GEORGE DURYEA, Director, Locksmithing Institute, 1500 Cardinal Drive, Little Falls, New Jersey, made available a white envelope postmarked Montreal, Canada, with the Roman numeral VII, 1967. The envelope bore a return address of ERIC S. GALT, 2569 Rue Notre Dame, followed by the abbreviation, E.S.T., Montreal, Canada, Quebec. The envelope was mailed to Locksmithing Institute, Little Falls, New Jersey, USA 07424. The address on envelope was hand-printed and has been submitted to the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) Laboratory, and Identification Division, for examination.

In the event the above information is to be made public, a subpoena duces tecum should be directed to GEORGE DURYEA, Director, Locksmithing Institute, 1500 Cardinal Drive, Little Falls, New Jersey.

On 4/15/68 at Little Falls, NJ File # Newark 44-854

by SA DON G. OWENS /cg Date dictated 4/19/68

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date May 1, 1968

The following information should not be made public in any other manner than the normal proceeding following the issuance of a subpoena duces tecum.

GEORGE DURYEA, Director, Locksmithing Institute, 1500 Cardinal Drive, Little Falls, New Jersey, made available the following items to SA JAMES R. LAUGHLIN and SA DON G. OWENS:

1. Coupon to locksmith ledger, Little Falls, New Jersey, requesting the padlock handbook bearing the typewritten name and address of ERIC S. GALT, 1535-N-SERRANO, Los Angeles, California.

2. Four (4) green payment coupons to Locksmithing Institute, Little Falls, New Jersey, showing payment for lessons six through nine. Coupons six through eight bore the handprinted address of 1535-N-SERRANO, Los Angeles, California, and the handprinted name of ERIC S. GALT. Coupon for lesson number nine bore the handprinted address of 113-14th Street, N.E., Atlanta, Georgia.

3. Envelope postmarked April 9, 1968, Little Falls, New Jersey, from 1500 Cardinal Drive, Little Falls, New Jersey, and marked "Moved, left no address." The envelope contained a white examination certificate bearing the address of GALT in the upper left hand corner and the letter grade of B plus in the upper right hand corner. This examination certificate was for lesson number eight.

4. Envelope postmarked April 10, 1968, Little Falls, New Jersey, from 1500 Cardinal Drive, Little Falls, New Jersey, and marked "Moved, left no address." The envelope contained a white examination certificate bearing the address of GALT in the upper left hand corner and the letter grade of A in the upper right hand corner. This examination certificate was for lesson number nine.

5. Five (5) fingerprint cards of key personnel who might have handled the above material. These cards are

On 4/19/68 at Little Falls, New Jersey File # Newark 44-354

by SA DON G. OWENS and
SA JAMES R. LAUGHLIN DGO/jz Date dictated 4/25/68

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for the following persons:

BOYD HENRY GILLEN

ANNIE DELORES JAMES

TRUDY ROBERTA DE FINIS

LYN CASHNELLI MENZIES

GEORGE FLOYD DURYEA

The above material has been submitted to the FBI Laboratory for appropriate examination.

If the above information is to be made public, a subpoena should be directed to GEORGE DURYEA, Director, Locksmithing Institute, 1500 Cardinal Drive, Little Falls, New Jersey.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

April 22, 1968

Date

EDWIN LEAPHILL, Cashier, Bank of Bloomfield, 554 Bloomfield Avenue, made available Recordak film which photographically recorded a film record of all the checks and other negotiable instruments handled by the above bank during the following pertinent periods:

7/28 - 8/3/67
8/3 - 8/10/67
1/8 - 1/12/68
1/31 - 2/6/68
3/11 - 3/12/68
4/8 - 4/10/68

The above-described Recordak film records were visually reviewed on a Recordak 310 Film Reader and the following information was developed:

Recordak Film Pack Dated January 8 - 12, 1968

Bank of America Money Order #0799 18 037, in the amount of \$15, purchased at the Hollywood-Western Branch, Hollywood, California, and payable through the National Trust and Savings Association, Hollywood, California, issued on January 8, 1968, payable to Locksmithing Institute, purchaser ERIC S. GALT, date of deposit January 10, 1968, account number listed on the bottom of the right-hand corner of the check 7998 85000 and account number listed on the left-hand corner bottom of the check [REDACTED].

Recordak Film Pack Including Date of March 6, 1968

Bank of America Money Order #0799 19 701, in the amount of \$7.50, purchased at the Hollywood-Western Branch, Hollywood, California, drawn on the National Trust and Savings Association, Hollywood, California, payable to Locksmithing Institute, dated February 26, 1968, purchaser's name listed as ERIC S. GALT, account number on right-hand bottom of check listed as 7998 85000 and account number listed on left-hand bottom of check [REDACTED] deposited on March 6, 1968.

On 4/15/68 at Bloomfield, New Jersey File # Newark 44-854

SAs UDO H. SPECHT

by and CHARLES E. KURZ UHS/jtm Date dictated 4/16/68

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Date April 29, 1968

Records of the Fidelity Union Trust Company, 765 Broad Street, contain the following items which were received in regular deposits on the dates indicated from the Bank of Bloomfield, 554 Bloomfield Avenue, Bloomfield, New Jersey, a corresponding bank:

Deposit dated July 31, 1967

Canadian Postal Money Order #C31600868, in the sum of \$17.50, signed ERIC GALT.

Deposit dated March 11, 1968

U.S. Postal Money Order #1916211078, dated stamped March 8, 1968, in the sum of \$15.00, payable to Locksmithing Institute, Little Falls, New Jersey, and signed ERIC S. GALT.

Deposit dated April 8, 1968

U.S. Postal Money Order #5615657923, date stamped March 28, 1968, in the sum of \$7.50, payable to Locksmithing Institute, Little Falls, New Jersey, and signed ERIC S. GALT.

The above information is not to be made public except in a usual proceeding following the issuance of a subpoena duces tecum. In the event this information is necessary for court purposes, a subpoena should be directed to any officer of the Fidelity Union Trust Company.

On 4/19 & 4/22/68 at Newark, New Jersey File # Newark 44-854
by SAA CLAUDE M. DUNCAN, JR. /lgd Date dictated 4/26/68

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The following are the results of an FBI Laboratory
Report dated April 17, 1968:

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REPORT
of theFEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

Date: April 17, 1968

Re: MURKIN
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Lab. No. D-560665 JK

D-560666 JK

D-560667 JK

Specimens received from Los Angeles, 4/12/68

- Q127 White envelope bearing typewritten address "MR DALE L. DYKEMA, Receiver 3325 Wilshire Boulevard Los Angeles, California. 90005." postmarked "Los Angeles California Annex JA 22 AM 1968"
- Q128 Typewritten letter dated 1/21/68, beginning "DEAR SIR, I AM WRITING..." and signed "Eric S. Galt"
- Q129 Letter dated 12/21/67, addressed to "Eric Galt 1535 North Serrano, Hollywood, California," beginning "Dear Mr. Galt: As you know..." and signed "Dale L. Dykema"

Specimens received from Chicago, 4/12/68

- Q130 Typewritten letter dated 10/5/67, beginning "Dear Sir: I received..." and signed "Eric S. Galt"
- Q131 Typewritten letter dated 10/22/67, beginning "Dear Sir, I ordered four..." and signed "Eric S. Galt"
- Q132 Typewritten letter dated 11/20/67, beginning "Dear Sir, While in Birmingham..." and signed "Eric S. Galt"
- Q133 Order Blank of the Superior Bulk Film Co., Chicago, Ill. for order in the amount of \$337.24, to be shipped to Eric S. Galt, 2608 Highland Ave., Birmingham, Alabama

ALSO SUBMITTED: Six miscellaneous items of correspondence of the Superior Bulk Film Co.

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Specimens received from Newark, 4/13/68

Q134 Enrollment Form of the Locksmithing Institute, Little Falls, N. J., dated 7/31/67, in the name "Eric S. Galt"

Q135 "Confidential Information" form of the Locksmithing Institute, bearing the signature "Eric S. Galt"

Result of examination:

The "Eric S. Galt" signatures on Q128, Q130, Q131, Q132 and Q135 were prepared by the writer of the signatures in this name appearing on items previously submitted in this case.

The typewritten impressions appearing on Q127, Q128, Q130, Q131, Q132 and Q135 were found to be the same style of type but the lack of identifying defects precluded a determination as to whether the same typewriter prepared all of these items; however, no significant differences were noted between the impressions appearing on these items. The style of type appearing on these specimens conforms to a standard for Royal pica style of type spaced ten letters to the inch. This style of type also appears on a typewriter sold under the Singer name.

It was determined that the hand printing appearing the Q133 order blank and the Q134 enrollment form was prepared by the same individual. No questioned hand printing appears on the other items received.

Indented impressions were noted on the reverse side of the Q128 letter. The names "Ray," "Galt" and "Rily" and numerals "ET3623" were some of the notations interpreted on this item.

Typewriter

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Lab. No. D-560919 JK
D-560789 JK

Specimens received 4/16/68, from FBI, Newark

Q215 White envelope postmarked "Montreal, P.Q., VII, 1967," bearing return address "Eric S. Galt 2589 - Rue Notre Dame Est. Montreal, Canada, Quebec" and hand printed address "Locksmithing Institute Little Falls, New Jersey, U. S. A. 07424"

Specimen received 4/15/68, from FBI, Chicago

K35 Nine sheets of paper bearing known handwriting and hand printing of GINGER NANCE

Result of examination:

It was concluded that the hand printing appearing on the Q215 envelope was prepared by the individual responsible for the preparation of the hand printing on the Locksmithing Institute Enrollment Form and the Superior Bulk Film Company order blank which were previously submitted in this matter.

No significant indented impressions were noted on this envelope.

Except for the word "broult" it was concluded that the questioned writings on Q118 (torn "Kleenex box") were prepared by GINGER NANCE, K35. Similarities were also noted between the word "broult" and the known writings of NANCE but the lack of known writing precluded a definite opinion from being reached.

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Lab. No. D-561211 JK

Specimens received 4/20/68

- Q248 Payment coupon #6 of the Locksmithing Institute bearing hand printed name and address "Eric S. Galt, 1535 N. Serrano, L.A. Calif."
- Q249 Payment coupon #7 of the Locksmithing Institute bearing hand printed name and address "Eric S. Galt, 1535 N. Serrano, L.A. Calif."
- Q250 Payment coupon #8 of the Locksmithing Institute bearing hand printed name and address "Eric S. Galt, 1535 N. Serrano, L.A. Calif."
- Q251 Payment coupon #9 of the Locksmithing Institute bearing hand printed name and address "Eric S. Galt, 113-14th St., N.E. Atlanta-Ga."
- Q252 Order blank for the "Locksmith Ledger" bearing typewritten name and address "Eric S. Galt"
- Q253 Envelope postmarked "Little Falls, N.J., Apr.-9'68" with enclosed "Lesson #8" of the Locksmithing Institute, bearing typewritten name and address for Eric S. Galt
- Q254 Envelope postmarked "Little Falls, N.J., Apr.-10'68" with enclosed "Lesson #9" of the Locksmithing Institute, bearing typewritten name and address for Eric S. Galt

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Result of examination:

It was concluded that the questioned hand printing appearing on Q248, Q249, Q250 and Q251 was prepared by the individual responsible for preparing other hand printing on specimens in this case attributed to Eric S. Galt.

The typewritten impressions appearing on Q252, Q253 and Q254 are similar in style to those appearing on other items received in this matter believed to have emanated from Eric S. Galt, but the lack of identifying defects precluded a definite determination as to whether the same typewriter was used to prepare all of these items; however, no significant differences were noted.

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To: FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

Date: April 26, 1968

Re: MURKIN
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Lab. No. D-561586 JK

Specimens received 4/24/68

Qc288 Photocopy of Canadian Money Order #C 31,600,868, in
the amount of \$17.50, signed "Eric Galt"

Result of examination:

Although the photocopy, Qc288, lacks the quality necessary for a satisfactory comparison, some differences were noted between the writing appearing on the face of this item when compared with the writings appearing on specimens submitted in this case.

Some features noted on Qc288 which might give an indication of its place of purchase are a stamp with the wording "Montreal 23 VII 67;" the number of the money order, "C-31,600,868;" the printed name "Hector Cormier" at the bottom of the money order and the initials "M." or "N." "D." on the bottom line to the right of the printed Cormier name.

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By communicated dated April 23, 1968, the FBI Laboratory advised as follows:

Two latent fingerprints of value developed on envelope, Q253, and two latent fingerprints developed on envelope, Q254. One of the latent fingerprints on Q253 and one of the latent fingerprints on Q254 have been identified as fingerprints submitted for elimination purposes of GEORGE FLOYD DURYEA. The two remaining latent fingerprints are not identical with the fingerprints submitted for elimination purposes or of the fingerprints of JAMES EARL RAY, FBI #405942G.

The latent fingerprint previously reported on the white envelope bearing hand printed address in part "Locksmithing Institute," Q215, has been identified as a fingerprint of LYNN CASHNELLY MENZIES, who is an employee of the Locksmithing Institute.

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TO: SAC, MEMPHIS

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (44-1609)

SUBJECT: MURKIN

RE: GUESTS AT THE
PROVINCIAL MOTEL,
NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA,
12/17-19/67

Re New Orleans airtel to Memphis, 5/7/68.

Enclosed herewith to Memphis are 15 copies of
an insert reflecting negative information from Dr. DAVID
ROSENER, 602 Main Street, Port Jefferson, NY.

RE: LAUNDRY
TAG LEADS

Re Albany airtel to Bureau, 4/11/68, and Boston
airtel to Bureau, 5/7/68.

For the information of Memphis, Laundry Tag Leads
regarding machines of Textile Marking Machine Co. have been
completed by NYO, with negative results.

Included in this investigation was Budget
Cleaners and Shirt Laundry, 45 Avenue B, NYC, and Nu Clear
Cleaners, Long Beach Boulevard, Long Beach, NY & 192-10 Linden
Boulevard, Queens, NY, both with negative results.

2-Memphis (Encls. 15)
2-New Orleans
1-Boston (INFO)
1-New York

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RE: DANCING SCHOOLS

Re Bureau teletype to all SACS dated 4/15/68.

All dancing schools in the NY Division have been contacted with negative results.

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RE: FLIGHT ~~PILOT~~ MEMBERS
OF EASTERN AIRLINES (EAL)
FOREIGN BOUND FLIGHTS OUT
OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA, 4/5-6/68

Re Miami teletype to Bureau dated 4/19/68.

NY has contacted the following EAL personnel regarding captioned matter with negative results:

Pilots

~~E. D. HARTMAN and
DONALD GROSMAN~~

Stewardesses

~~LUELLEN LOREHM
JOAN EVELYN HUNZDA
DIANE SARRAH TREMBLY and
CAROL ANN SCOTT~~

RE: CIRCULARIZATION OF
AVIS AND HERTZ CAR
RENTAL AGENCIES

Re Bureau airtel to NY, 5/3/68.

Two thousand IOs of subject JAMES EARL RAY have been delivered to Hertz which is circularizing all of its continental offices (1500 copies) and all of its international offices (500 copies).

Avis has accepted the newspaper mat of subject, RAY, and stated it will appear in the Avis Magazine to be published 5/15/68. This magazine is distributed world-wide to Avis agencies.

SUBJECT RAY SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND
DANGEROUS.

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TELETYPE

URGENT

TO DIRECTOR (44-38861), SACS MEMPHIS (44-1987),
BIRMINGHAM (44-1740)
FROM SAC LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

MURKIN.

RE MARIE MARTIN.

MARIE MARTIN INTERVIEWED AT LENGTH UPON RETURN FROM VACATION WHICH INCLUDED TRIP THROUGH MIDWESTERN STATES TO YOUNGSTOWN, OHIO. SHE CONFIRMED INFORMATION SHE HAD PROVIDED ON PREVIOUS INTERVIEWS AND PROVIDED FOLLOWING ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONCERNING JAMES EARL RAY. SHE ADVISED SUBSEQUENT TO EXCHANGE OF TELEVISION SETS BETWEEN HERSELF AND RAY AND PRIOR TO HIS DEPARTURE MARCH SEVENTEEN, SIXTY EIGHT, RAY APPEARED IN NEED OF MONEY. SHE ADVISED RAY SAID HE WAS AWAITING MONEY FROM BROTHER, NOT FURTHER IDENTIFIED. SHE ADVISED IT APPEARED NECESSARY THIS MONEY BE RECEIVED BY RAY IN ORDER TO MAKE HIS SECOND TRIP SOUTH TO OR THROUGH NEW ORLEANS. MARTIN ALSO SAID THAT ON ONE OCCASION RAY SAID SHE REMINDED HIM OF A GIRL IN GUADALAJARA. SHE SAID RAY ALSO ADVISED HE LIVED IN MEXICO SIX YEARS AND ALSO THAT HE HAD USED MARIJUANA ON ONE

- 1 - Atlanta (44-2386)(AM)
- 1 - Chicago (44-1114)(AM)
- 1 - Kansas City (44-760)(AM)
- 1 - New Orleans (AM)
- 1 - Springfield (AM)
- 1 - Los Angeles (44-1574)

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OCCASION IN MEXICO AND DID NOT LIKE THE EFFECTS AND IT DID NOTHING FOR HIM. RAY ALSO SAID HE ATTENDED COCK FIGHTS IN MEXICO AND WAS REPULSED BY THEIR BARBARIC NATURE. SHE REMARKED RAY APPEARED TO UNDERSTAND AND SPEAK SPANISH. SHE SAID SHE COULD NOT UNDERSTAND THE LANGUAGE HERSELF.

MARTIN ADVISED THAT AFTER THE TRIP TO OBTAIN CHILDREN OF RITA SKIN IN NEW ORLEANS, RAY SAID HE HAD VISITED FRIENDS IN INDUSTRIAL CANAL AREA OF CHEF MISTEON HIGHWAY OF NEW ORLEANS. NO FURTHER IDENTIFICATION OF THESE FRIENDS MADE BY RAY.

MARTIN ADVISED THE PACKAGE SHE GAVE RAY FOR DELIVERY TO HER DAUGHTER IN NEW ORLEANS CONTAINED PHOTOGRAPH RECORDS AS WELL AS CLOTHING. THIS WAS ASKED IN CLARIFICATION OF PREVIOUS STATEMENTS BY MARTIN AND HER DAUGHTER.

INVESTIGATION AT LOS ANGELES HAS ESTABLISHED NO REGULAR BANKING CONNECTIONS, AND RAY LACKED SUFFICIENT IDENTIFICATION OTHER THAN ALABAMA DRIVERS LICENSE TO CASH PERSONAL TYPE CHECKS. IT APPEARS MONEY MIGHT HAVE BEEN SENT RAY THROUGH WESTERN UNION OR SOME SIMILAR FACILITY PERMITTING EASY NEGOTIATION. RAY DEPARTED LOS ANGELES MARCH SEVENTEEN SIXTY EIGHT, AND THIS POSSIBLE FINANCIAL SHORTAGE OCCURRED AFTER THE EXCHANGE OF

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TELEVISION SETS, WHICH MARTIN STATES WAS ON OR ABOUT FEBRUARY FOURTEEN, SIXTY EIGHT. THE BUREAU MAY WISH TO CONSIDER FEASIBILITY OF EXAMINING WESTERN UNION MONEY ORDERS ISSUED DURING ABOVE PERIOD THROUGH THE MONEY ORDER AUDITOR, MINNEAPOLIS.

MARTIN ADVISED THAT FOR INFORMATION SHE PREVIOUSLY FURNISHED TO LOUIS LOMAX SHE RECEIVED CHECK FOR FIFTY DOLLARS WHICH SHE BELIEVES WAS NO GOOD.

INVESTIGATION LOS ANGELES CONTINUING.

AIR MAIL COPIES SENT ATLANTA, CHICAGO, KANSAS CITY, NEW ORLEANS AND SPRINGFIELD.

LOMAX POLL AND TRIBUNE

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

Almena Lomax, Editor-Publisher

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May 8, 1968

Mr. Lloyd Johnson
Federal Bureau of Investigation
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Los Angeles 90017

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Dear Mr. Johnson:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

~~Simpson, Mr. Joseph W.~~
~~1924 Calah Road~~
~~Birmingham 23, Ala.~~ changed later to Box 7346
Paid by ~~Mrs. Va. Simpson~~
~~2632 W t. Brook Parkway~~
~~Birmingham, Ala. 35223~~ (I seem to have left off the date of entry, but it was between Oct. and January of 1965)

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

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

Following all supposedly WCC members:

*all
initials
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man*

~~C. L. Averett, 309 Southside, Tuskegee, Ala.~~
~~Leon L. Bennett, Box 327, Tuskegee, Ala.~~
~~Mr. Holes, Box 417, Tuskegee, Ala.~~
~~Bob Dawson, 98 N. Maple, Tuskegee, Ala.~~ (supposed friend of Negroes, but might know something and might talk.)
~~W. T. Coggins, Box 608, Tuskegee, Ala.~~
~~W. G. Dyson, 301 E. Southside, Tuskegee, Ala.~~
~~J. W. Rags, 308 S. Elm Street, Tuskegee, Ala.~~
~~Howard Rutherford, Tuskegee, Ala.~~
~~Harvey Sadler, Box 298, Tuskegee, Ala.~~
~~Story Equipment Co., Tuskegee, Ala.~~
~~Thomas C. Story, Rt. 2, Tuskegee, Ala.~~
~~John E. Henderson, Rt. 1, Box 182, Tuskegee, Ala.~~
~~State Senator Edward H. Reynolds, Box 126, Notasulga, Ala.~~

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

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

~~Jim Giddings, 19E (or 7) North Meyer, Tucson, Ariz. 7/2/58/67 (Signed and "Please")~~
(I don't know whether the foregoing, after State Sen. Reynolds are white or Negro, or how or why they came to subscribe to the Tribune. Usually whites who are friendly identify themselves as such.)

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

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

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

~~Mr. and Mrs. Murry Wagner, 2401 Moreno Dr., Los Angeles 90039~~

~~Ewing G. Porter, 7370 Rosewood, Los Angeles 36~~

~~Atty. Ben Margolis, 3175 W. 6th street, Los Angeles~~

~~John T. McTernan, same as above~~


~~Mrs. Sylvia P. Miller, 165 S. Orange Drive, Los Angeles 36~~

~~Mrs. Madelyne Gerlach, 348 Norwich drive, Los Angeles 90048~~

~~Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Delacy, 6624 Fulton ave., Van Nuys, Calif.~~

~~Henry Blankfort, 12659 Milbank, Studio City, Calif.~~

Sincerely yours,


(Mrs.) Almira Lomax

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