

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : File (173-1)

DATE: 4/22/68

FROM : Legat Nathan L. Ferris

SUBJECT: MURKIN

At 10:45 a.m., today, SA ROBERT J. OGLESBY, JR., in Guadalajara telephonically furnished the following information:

On Saturday night, 4/20/68, MEX-38 brought notes from Puerto Vallarta regarding IRMA MORALES showing that she is a prostitute who lives in Atotonilco El Alto, Jalisco, about 150 kilometers from Guadalajara. Information was received at 10:02 p.m., that day and at 10:38 p.m., the information was turned over to MEX-24 who was instructed to immediately conduct necessary investigation at Atotonilco.

At 3:02 p.m., 4/21/68, MEX-24 advised telephonically that IRMA MORALES's real name is MANUELA AGUIRRE MEDRANO who was born 12/26/43 at Rancho San Isidro in the Municipality of Atotonilco. Her father is dead. Her mother, MONICA MEDRANO GOMEZ, was interviewed under pretext by the informant at which time she claimed that her daughter MANUELA had been in Atotonilco until 4/17/68 when she left for Tecoman, Colima, or Manzanillo.

MEX-24 also located MANUELA's uncle, SALVADOR AGUIRRE, who claimed to think that MANUELA may have returned to Puerto Vallarta.

SA OGLESBY furnished the above information to SA GRAY in Puerto Vallarta and also advised him of MANUELA's home address in Puerto Vallarta, which was given as Allende #74, which is different from her business address.

At 10:03 p.m., 4/21/68, MEX-24 advised that he had remained outside the house of MANUELA's mother in Atotonilco and had overheard a conversation which took place in that house during which some unidentified male took MANUELA's mother to task for talking to strangers and for giving out information.

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MANUELA's mother stated that she had only furnished false information to the "stranger" and that actually her daughter was in Manzanillo. MANUELA's mother also stated that she had called MANUELA telephonically to come home. MEX-24 went to the telephone company and verified the fact that Mrs. MONICA MEDRANO GOMEZ had called Manzanillo telephone number 364, which is a house of prostitution. The informant also called that number and was told that MANUELA had left at 4:30 p.m., 4/21/68, by bus, apparently returning to Atotonilco. The informant is covering the bus station in Atotonilco to intercept her if she returns.

At 9:48 a.m., 4/22/68, SA GRAY telephonically advised SA OGLESBY that MANUELA is not at her home or business address in Puerto Vallarta. SA GRAY advised that MANUELA's cousin ROSALBA, who is also a prostitute employed at the same place as MANUELA in Puerto Vallarta, had stated that on 4/9/68 she was at Atotonilco and that MANUELA had already left there.



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
APRIL 19, 1968

Attorney General Ramsey Clark announced today that the FBI has identified James Earl Ray, an escapee from the Missouri State Penitentiary, as Eric Starvo Galt, against whom a Federal complaint was filed last Wednesday in connection with the fatal shooting of the Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Director J. Edgar Hoover said that a systematic and exhaustive search of latent fingerprints uncovered in the Dr. King case against the fingerprints of the over 53,000 persons for whom "Wanted Notices" have been posted in the files of the FBI's Identification Division led to the determination that Galt and Ray are identical.

Mr. Hoover said that Ray, who is 40 years of age, was reported missing from the Missouri State Penitentiary at Jefferson City, Missouri, since April 23, 1967. He had been received at that institution on March 17, 1960, to serve a 20-year sentence following conviction in St. Louis for armed robbery and for operating a motor vehicle without permission of the owner.

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In September, 1966, while serving this sentence, he was confined for a time in the Maximum security ward at the State Hospital at Fulton, Missouri.

According to Mr. Hoover, Ray has a known arrest record dating back to 1949. Prior to the 1960 conviction for which he received the 20-year term, Ray had been convicted of burglary in Los Angeles, California, in 1949; armed robbery in Chicago, Illinois, in 1952; and forging United States Postal Money Orders in Missouri in 1955.

He has served terms in the Los Angeles County Jail in 1949; in State Prisons at Joliet and Pontiac, Illinois, in 1952-54; and in the Federal Penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kansas, in 1955-58.

Ray was an enlisted man in the United States Army from February, 1946, to December, 1948, at which time he was given a General Discharge due to ineptness and lack of adaptability for military service. While in the Army, he received a three-month sentence at hard labor for being drunk and breaking arrest.

Mr. Hoover said that during his criminal career, Ray has also used the names of James McBride, James Walton, W. C. Herron and James O'Conner. He is a white male; claims to have

been born March 10, 1928, in Illinois; is approximately 5 feet 10 inches tall and weighs about 163 to 174 pounds. He has blue eyes and brown hair. There is a small scar on the center of his forehead and a scar on the palm of his right hand.

Ray has claimed that he attended school through the 10th grade in Alton, Illinois. He has had the reputation of being a "drifter" since leaving school. His vocational experience includes working as a baker, laborer and color matcher.

In connection with his escape from the Missouri State Penitentiary, an FBI complaint was filed in Jefferson City, Missouri, on July 20, 1967, charging Ray with unlawfully fleeing from the State of Missouri to avoid confinement. He has been a Federal fugitive since then.

Ray should be considered armed and extremely dangerous. Anyone having information concerning him should immediately contact FBI Headquarters in Washington, D. C., or the nearest FBI office.

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Date April 19, 1968

RE:

MURKIN

☐ For information ☐ Retention optional ☐ For appropriate action ☐ Surep, by _____

☐ The enclosed is for your information. If used in a future report, ☐ conceal all sources, ☐ paraphrase contents.

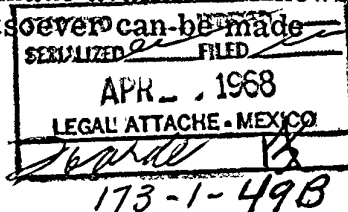
☐ Enclosed are corrected pages from report of SA _____ dated _____

Remarks:

Attached are two copies of a press release issued at Washington today. You should promptly contact the leading newspapers and radio and TV stations in your area in an attempt to insure this story receives maximum publicity. Also attached are two copies each of two photographs of James Earl Ray taken in 1960 which may be made available to news media. No elaboration whatsoever can be made regarding this release.

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TO: LEGAT, MEXICO DATE SENT: 4-22-68
 FROM: WASHINGTON, D.C. DATE RECEIVED: 4-22-68
 NO: 135 BY: DAH TIME RECEIVED: 4:45PM

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THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE WAS RECEIVED FROM SAC, PHOENIX:

CAPTAIN SERGIE RAMIREZ UGALDE, FEDERAL HIGHWAY PATROL, STATIONED IN MEXICALI, BAJA CALIFORNIA, MEXICO ADVISED BUAGENT APRIL 20, LAST THAT WHILE ON DUTY APRIL 18 LAST AT ABOUT 9:00PM HE OBSERVED AN INDIVIDUAL HITCHHIKING EAST ON FEDERAL HIGHWAY TWO AT THE COLORADO BRIDGE SEPARATING BAJA CALIFORNIA FROM STATE OF SONORA. HE RELATED INDIVIDUAL APPEARED SIMILAR TO SUBJECT RAY. STATED THIS INDIVIDUAL WAS CARRYING GUITAR. INDIVIDUAL SECURED A RIDE AT THE BRIDGE WITH AN EAST BOUND BEIGE VOLKSWAGON BEARING UNKNOWN CALIFORNIA LICENSE DRIVEN BY YOUTH 22 OR 23 YEARS, WHO INDICATED HE WAS GOING TO SAN MIGUEL, GUANAJUATO, MEXICO. THE OFFICIAL STATED IT ~~XXXX~~ WOULD BE NECESSARY FOR VEHICLE TO BE PROCESSED AT BORDER STATION AT SONOITA, SONORA INASMUCH AS THEY WERE PROCEEDING INTO INTERIOR OF MEXICO.

ON APRIL 21 LAST, ANTONIO G. MONOZ, AGENTE K, SECRETARIO DE LA OFICINA DE MIGRACION, SONOITA, SONORA, MEXICO ADVISED BUAGENT 6 MONTH VISA F M 5, NUMBER [REDACTED], WAS ISSUED BETWEEN MIDNIGHT AND 8:00AM APRIL 19 LAST TO PAUL VARNER LINDHARD, AGE 21, 26048 FARMFIELD ROAD, CALABASAS, CALIFORNIA. AUTO PERMISO,

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FOLIO 1, NUMBER 111160 ISSUED LINDHARD FOR 1960 VOLKSWAGON VIN 3449075, CALIFORNIA LICENSE V T D 900. LINDHARD GAVE DESTINATION OF SAN MIGUEL DE ALLUNDE, GUANAJUATO, MEXICO. STICKER NUMBER 111160 IS AFFIXED TO VEHICLE. ~~MEMO~~ MUNOZ UNABLE TO LOCATE RECORD OF LINDHARD'S HAVING COMPANION OR VISA BEING ISSUED FOR SUBJECT JAMES EARL RAY.

LEGAT MEXICO RESOLVE THIS MATTER.

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TO: LEGAT, MEXICO. DATE SENT: 4-22-68
FROM: WASHINGTON, D.C. DATE RECEIVED: 4-22-68
NO: 136 BY: DAH TIME RECEIVED: 5:15PM

MURKIN.

YOU ARE REMINDED THAT ALL LEADS IN THIS CASE MUST BE COVERED WITHIN 24 HOURS, AND ALL LEADS MUST BE SET FORTH BY TELEPHONE OR CABLEGRAM. ALL BORDER OFFICES COVERING ENTRY INTO MEXICO AND CANADA AND EXIT THEREFROM HAVE BEEN ADVISED ~~XX~~ THAT THEY SHOULD INSURE APPROPRIATE STOPS ARE MAINTAINED RE SUBJECT AND ALL NAMES KNOWN TO BE USED BY HIM AT RESPECTIVE OFFICES OF U.S. IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PATROL. YOU SHOULD ALSO INSURE THAT PREVIOUS STOPS PLACED WITH ANY FACILITY SHOULD INCLUDE ALL NAMES USED BY THE SUBJECT.

DISTRIBUTE SUFFICIENT QUANTITIES OF WANTED FLYERS AND I.O.'S TO NARCOTIC INVESTIGATIVE AGENCIES IN ORDER THAT THEIR INFORMANTS MAY BE CONTACTED. YOU SHOULD CONTACT ALL CRIMINAL INFORMANTS AND APPROPRIATE RACIAL AND SECURITY INFORMANTS.

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REMYCAB APRIL TWO ZERO LAST AND BUCAB APRIL TWO TWO INSTANT.

INFORMATION DEVELOPED BY AGENT ON SCENE AT PUERTO VALLARTA, JALISCO, THAT INDIVIDUAL PROBABLY IDENTICAL WITH GALT SPENT CONSIDERABLE TIME WHILE VISITING THERE WITH A PROSTITUTE NAMED IRMA MORALES. MORALES NO LONGER AT PUERTO VALLARTA AND INTENSIVE INVESTIGATION UNDER WAY TO LOCATE HER IN SMALL COMMUNITY NEAR GUADALAJARA, JALISCO.

MEXICAN FEDERAL SECURITY POLICE HAD PREVIOUSLY CANVASSED ALL TOURIST SPOTS AT SEA COAST CITY OF MAZATLAN, SINALOA, AND IS DISPATCHING AGENTS TO PERFORM ANOTHER THOROUGH SEARCH WITH PHOTOGRAPHS PROVIDED BY THIS OFFICE.

MEX DASH THREE FOUR WILL COVER ALL HOTELS AND OTHER TOURIST ACCOMMODATIONS AT RESORT CITY OF ACAPULCO, GUERRERO.

MEXICAN IMMIGRATION HAS PHOTOGRAPHS REPRODUCED BY THIS OFFICE AND STOPS AT ALL BORDER POINTS AND INTERNATIONAL AIRPORTS. GUATEMALAN IMMIGRATION AND ^(MEXICAN) OFFICIALS AT SEA COAST CITIES OF MERIDA, YUCATAN; VERACRUZ, VERACRUZ, AND TAMPICO, TAMAULIPAS, ALSO ALERTED. ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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RESIDENT AGENT AT HERMOSILLO, SONORA, MEXICO, CONTACTED APRIL TWO ONE LAST BY EL PASO OFFICE CONCERNING ALEJANDRO RIVERA CERVANTES, WHO SENT TELEGRAM TO NEW YORK OFFICE INDICATING HE HAD LOCATED PERSON RESPONSIBLE FOR ASSASSINATION OF DOCTOR KING.

RIVERA INTERVIEWED SAME DATE BY MEX FIVE NINE AND STATED HE WAS HOLDUP VICTIM NEAR BEACH IN MAZATLAN, SINALOA, MEXICO, ON APRIL FIVE LAST. HE SAID HE DROVE TO MEXICO CITY, ARRIVING APRIL SIX LAST AND FOUND THE SAME PERSON, WHOM HE NOW BELIEVES IDENTICAL WITH SUBJECT RAY, RIDING IN TAXI OPERATING FROM STAND NEAR YORK HOTEL.

INFORMANT POINTED OUT THAT RIVERA HAS TWO WIVES AND AT TIMES APPEARED TO BE IRRATIONAL AND WANDERING IN HIS STORY OF HIS ACTIVITIES.

INVESTIGATION BEING CONDUCTED AT YORK HOTEL, MEXICO CITY, TO IDENTIFY INDIVIDUAL DESCRIBED BY RIVERA AND DETER-

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Legat, Mexico City (173-1) (P)

DATE: April 23, 1968

FROM : SA JOHN J. FOARDE, JR.

SUBJECT: MURKIN

On April 20, 1968, at 9:30 a.m., SA RUSSELL JEAN GRAY, JR., telephonically advised that he and MEX 38 had detected one individual in Puerto Vallarta who might be identical with subject, and he requested that investigation be conducted in the United States concerning this person. GRAY said the man gave his name as RICHARD GUIDOTTI, Box 112, San Lucas, California, and claimed to be the proprietor of Joe's Steak House in that community.

MEX 38 first noticed this man when they were fellow passengers on the airplane arriving at Puerto Vallarta, Jalisco, from Guadalajara, Jalisco, on April 18, 1968. The suspect became noticeably upset, according to informant, when he and informant bumped into each other in several different places after their arrival. GUIDOTTI reportedly commented to a bartender that he had seen informant on several occasions and stated that he wanted to go "where there are no people."

As a second suspect, SA JOHN PAGE, JR., advised that the secretary to the American Consul in Veracruz, Veracruz, had told him of one HENRY RICHARD GILES, who had been requesting assistance in arranging travel to Cuba. GILES was in Veracruz and was described as a white male, born August 6, 1918, at Corpus Christi, Texas, 5 feet 11 inches tall, medium build, blue eyes, florid complexion, peculiarly colored red hair - possibly dyed or a wig - wearing sports clothes. He gave his residence as 224 Tarton, Corpus Christi, Texas.

Information concerning the above two individuals was furnished to Supervisor MARLIN GEHRING at 1:15 p.m., April 20, 1968.

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At 8 p.m., April 20, 1968, Supervisor JOHN BOYD, Seat of Government, advised that investigation conducted at San Lucas, California, established that RICHARD GUIDOTTI is the son of JOSEPH GUIDOTTI and that the father and the son operate the steak house together. The father was interviewed and advised that his son was in Mexico, exact address unknown, visiting friends. He was expected to return to California on April 21, 1968. The description obtained for the younger GUIDOTTI was WMA; born June 12, 1938, San Francisco, California; 6 feet; 160 pounds; black hair; brown eyes.

This information was furnished to SA GRAY at Puerto Vallarta, Jalisco, who said that the description tallied with the man there and that he had subsequently had the opportunity to personally observe GUIDOTTI and believed him to be considerably younger than the description given for subject RAY.

With regard to GILES, Supervisor BOYD advised that investigation by the Houston Office established that there was such an individual living at a street address in Corpus Christi which is similar to that received from the source in Veracruz, Veracruz, and that this person was allegedly working for the Brazleton Construction Company in Corpus Christi.

At 10:15 p.m., April 20, 1968, Supervisor RICHARD J. DEILY called to advise that Houston had completed its investigation on GILES and had talked to the head of the construction company, BILLY BRAZLETON, who identified GILES as an employee but knew nothing of his trip to Mexico. Houston then talked with HENRY R. GILES, JR., at 224 Tarlton Street, Corpus Christi, who acknowledged that he had been in Veracruz staying at the Emporia Hotel through April 17, 1968, and had then gone to Mexico City and returned to Corpus Christi on April 18, 1968. GILES, however, denied making any inquiries about going to Cuba but did give his birth date as August 6, 1918, at Corpus Christi.

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TO : Legat, Mexico City (173-1) (P)

DATE: April 23, 1968

FROM : SA JOHN J. FOARDE, JR.

SUBJECT: MURKIN

During conversations with Bureau supervisors on April 20, 1968, the following additional information pertaining to subject RAY was obtained:

Subject, for elimination purposes, has a whorl on both of his ring fingers.

One of his index fingers has an unusual pattern, like a loop over a loop.

RAY's fingerprint classification is as follows:



The Bureau considers the best characteristic for prompt recognition of any possible suspect to be the protruding left ear, which is shown in both pictures now available.

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Memorandum

TO : Legat, Mexico City (173-1) (P)

DATE: April 23, 1968

FROM : SA JOHN J. FOARDE, JR.

SUBJECT: MURKIN

By telephone on April 20, 1968, at 9:30 a.m., SA RUSSELL JEAN GRAY, JR., advised that information had been developed that ERIC STARVO GALT, while in Puerto Vallarta, Jalisco, may have patronized a house of prostitution called Casa Susana. The source for most of this information is RODIMIR BISCARA, night bartender at this establishment, who said that a man came there almost every day and spent most of his time with one IRMA MORALES. The bartender said this man tried to sell him "a little white 1966 Ford" and also tried to trade it for a piece of land.

The bartender said he backed out of the deal when he saw the car was not nationalized in Mexico, at which time the owner of the car said he would go to Mexico City to obtain the proper documentation and return to Puerto Vallarta. However, according to the bartender, he did not return.

GRAY said the owner of this place is LUIS GARCIA (a separate individual from the bartender of the Hotel Oceana) who stated that he believed IRMA MORALES and the suspect exchanged correspondence after the latter left Puerto Vallarta.

MORALES is no longer in Puerto Vallarta and has reportedly gone to a place called Atotonilco el Alto, near Guadalajara, Jalisco.

GRAY was able to obtain her registration card with her picture and the card showed that she had worked at the Casa Susana from the last week in September 1967 until approximately November 10, 1967.

Another factor which supports the belief that the patron at the Casa Susana was GALT, according to GRAY, is that this individual told the bartender that he had been living at the Hotel Rio and was going to move to the Hotel Tropicana.



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GRAY said that MEX 38 was returning to Guadalajara, Jalisco, with notes on this aspect and would be in touch with SA ROBERT J. OGLESBY, JR., so that efforts could be made to locate IRMA MORALES.

This information was furnished telephonically to SA ROBERT J. OGLESBY, JR., on April 20, 1968.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Legat, Mexico City (173-1) (P)

DATE: April 23, 1968

FROM : SA JOHN J. FOARDE, JR.

SUBJECT: MURKIN

With regard to the memorandum of Legat NATHAN L. FERRIS, April 20, 1968, the following action has been taken:

1) SAs ROBERT J. OGLESBY, JR., and RUSSELL JEAN GRAY, JR., have been advised to pursue the possibility that ERIC S. GALT had narcotics contacts in Guadalajara and Puerto Vallarta, Jalisco. GEORGE EMRICH, US Narcotics Officer, US Embassy, Mexico City, has been contacted and advised that photographs of GALT will be distributed to the sources of his office in the near future.

7) On April 22, 1968, SAC J. M. COLE, San Antonio, Texas, advised that his office had determined at Nuevo Laredo, Tamaulipas, Mexico, that GALT obtained automobile insurance in that city at about 11 a.m., October 8, 1967, the next day after border records show that he crossed into Mexico. This information has been furnished to SA JOHN H. MILLER at Monterrey, Nuevo Leon.

8) The suspect at Veracruz, Veracruz, who was the subject of information received by SA JOHN PAGE, JR., has been identified and interviewed at Corpus Christi, Texas, and apparently eliminated.

11) MEX 34 has been contacted, has returned to Mexico City, and is now en route to Acapulco, Guerrero, to conduct necessary investigation there.

12) FERNANDO GUTIERREZ BARRIOS, Chief, DFS, Mexico City, advised SA ELDON D. RUDD on April 22, 1968, that he was sending men back to Mazatlan, Sinaloa, to renew efforts to locate the subject now that photographs are available.

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TO: LEGAT, MEXICO
 FROM: WASHINGTON, D.C.
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REURCAB APRIL 13, LAST.

MEMPHIS OFFICE FURNISHED FOLLOWING INFORMATION APRIL 22,
 1968.

RECORDS RE TENNESSEE LICENSE J H 7557 CHECKED THROUGH
 DAVIDSON COUNTY AND STATE AGENCIES AT NASHVILLE, INDICATING NO RECORD
 IN 1967 OR 1968 FOR REGISTRATION IN DAVIDSON COUNTY. PREFIX J H IS
 ASSIGNED TO DAVIDSON COUNTY. EFFORTS LOCATE LICENSE IN OTHER COUNTIES
 FOR 1967 AND 1968 ALSO NEGATIVE.

RECORDS PERTAINING TO 1966 SHOWED THAT ON JANUARY 16,
 1967, A 1961 CHEVROLET CORVAIR, 4 DOOR, PURCHASED AND TENNESSEE
 LICENSE J H 7557 ISSUED TO A. A. COLEBROOK, OSBURN ROAD, ARRINGTON,
 TENN.

ON APRIL 17, MR. AMSELL A. COLEBROOK INTERVIEWED AT CHINA
 MART, NASHVILLE. HE STATED HE HAS NOT BEEN IN MEXICO SINCE EARLY 1967.
 SAID IN 1966 HE PURCHASED OLD BEAT UP CORVAIR FOR \$150.00 DOLLARS AND
 DROVE AUTOMOBILE TO MEXICO. STATED DECIDED NOT TO DRIVE AUTOMOBILE HOME
 ON RETURN TRIP AND TRIED TO SELL IT IN MEXICO, BUT COULD NOT DO SO.
 CLAIMS LEFT WITH A MR. SANTOS AT AMERICAN EMBASSY IN MEXICO CITY,

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MEXICO. WAS TOLD HE WOULD HAVE TO GET PERMISSION TO HAVE THE
AUTOMOBILE IMPOUNDED BY MEXICAN GOVERNMENT. COLEBROOK STATES HIS
CAR WAS IMPOUNDED BY MEXICAN GOVERNMENT AND LEFT IN GOVERNMENT POUND
ON OUTSKIRTS GUADALAJARA. COLEBROOK SAID HIS TENNESSEE LICENSE PLATES
REMAINED ON CAR AND HE HAS NO IDEA WHO MIGHT BE DRIVING CAR AT THIS
TIME.

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MURKIN.

SAN ANTONIO OFFICE ADVISED AS FOLLOWS APRIL 22, 1968:

ON APRIL 22 INSTANT, DEPUTY SHERIFF ANGEL STICKE GAULT, SAN ANTONIO, ADVISED MAN LOOKING LIKE PICTURE OF JAMES EARLY RAY TAKEN 1968 APPEARING ON WF 442-A BOARDED TRANSPORTES DEL NORTE BUS, NUEVO LAREDO, MEXICO, ~~338~~ 3:50 A.M., APRIL 6 LAST. THEY CHANGED BUSES AT MONTERREY, MEXICO, WHERE THEY BOARDED TRANSPORTES DEL NORTE BUS NO. 283 DESTINED FOR MEXICO, D.F.. SUSPECT ALIGHTED BUS AT SAN LUIS POTOSI 2:00PM, APRIL 6, LAST, AND DID NOT RETURN TO BUS. SUSPECT APPEARED TO BE NERVOUS, WOULD NOT LOOK ANYONE IN FACE AND DID NOT SPEAK TO ANYONE ON BUS. APPEARED TO BE ALONE AND TO BE READING READERS DIGEST. DID NOT SMOKE ON BUS.

SUSPECT DESCRIBED WM; 35 YEARS; 5 FT. 9 TO 10 IN.; 170 TO 180 POUNDS; SHORT BROWN HAIR; DARK SHIRT, LIGHT BROWN PANTS, TRENCHCOAT, NO HAT, HUSH PUPPIES TYPE SUEDE SHOES, CARRYING SMALL, DARK ZIPPER BAG.

INVESTIGATION BEING CONDUCTED AT NUEVO LAREDO.

LEGAT MEXICO, CONDUCT ANY NECESSARY INVESTIGATION SUCH

AS CHECKS AT BUS TERMINALS, MONTERREY AND SAN LUIS POTOSI. ANY

SA Miller advised 11:00 AM 4/23 + will advise lead in San Luis Potosi to NLF 7/1/33.

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PERTINENT ADDITIONAL DATA DEVELOPED WILL BE REPORTED.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Legat, Mexico (173-19)

FROM : SA Richard S. Clark

SUBJECT: MURKING

DATE: 4/23/68

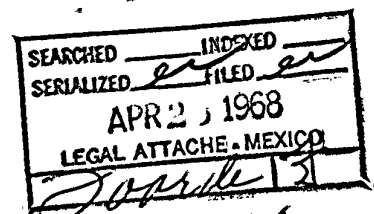
FORWARDING SNAPSHOT OF RAY TO WASHINGTON

Arrangements being made 4/23/68 through Don Marshall, Eastern Airlines, Mexico City International Airport, tel. 71x32x16x, 71 34 16 or 71 32 38 to forward an envelope with the Captain of Eastern Flight 904 which is scheduled to arrive Friendship Airport, Baltimore 9:39 PM 4/23/68.

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Routing Slip
FD-4 (Rev. 4-28-67)

Date 4/23/68

To:

☒ Director

FILE MEX 173-1

Att.:

☐ SAC

Title

☐ ASAC

MURKIN

☐ Supv.

☐ Agent

☐ SE

☐ IC

RE: Mytel call to Section
Chief CLEMENT MCGOWAN
4/23/68

☐ CC

☐ Steno

☐ Clerk

☐ Rotor #:

ACTION DESIRED

☐ Acknowledge

☐ Open Case

☐ Assign _____ Reassign _____

☐ Prepare lead cards

☐ Bring file

☐ Prepare tickler

☐ Call me

☐ Return assignment card

☐ Correct

☐ Return file

☐ Deadline _____

☐ Search and return

☐ Deadline passed

☐ See me

☐ Delinquent

☐ Serial # _____

☐ Discontinue

☐ Post ☐ Recharge ☐ Return

☐ Expedite

☐ Send to _____

☐ File

☐ Submit new charge out

☐ For information

☐ Submit report by _____

☐ Handle

☐ Type

☐ Initial & return

☐ Leads need attention

☐ Return with explanation or notation as to action taken.

Enclosed four polaroid copies of polaroid photograph of "GALT" 11/3/68 at Puerto Vallarta, Mexico, with woman companion excised and in two copies detail of arm re-inserted to show watch.

Encs. 4

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☒ SAC

Nathan L. Ferris
Legat Nathan L. Ferris
Mexico City

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Office

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A I R T E L

To: Director, FBI

Date: April 23, 1968

From: *WJF* Legat, Mexico City (173-1) (P)

Subject: MURKIN

Subject as ERIC STARVO GALT stayed alone at the Hotel Rio, Room 212, Morelos 36, Puerto Vallarta, Jalisco, Mexico, October 19 to November 6, 1967. On November 7, 1967, GALT checked into the Hotel "Tropicana" in Puerto Vallarta, occupied Room 417, and checked out on November 13, 1967.

There were no telephone toll charges for GALT at either hotel.

The legible names of United States residents who were visiting the Hotel Rio during the time GALT resided there have been extracted from hotel records and are set forth below, broken down by field offices:

BOSTON

Mr. and Mrs. STANDISH ROWE - Sales Engr.
RFD, So. Lincoln, Massachusetts

31 - Bureau

- (1 - Liaison Section)
- (2 - Boston)
- (2 - Dallas)
- (3 - Houston)
- (4 - Los Angeles)
- (2 - Memphis)
- (2 - New Haven)
- (2 - Portland)
- (2 - Sacramento)
- (2 - St. Louis)
- (4 - San Francisco)
- (2 - Seattle)

1 - Mexico City

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DALLAS

RALPH B. ANDERSON - Public Relations
4620 Southern
Dallas, Texas

HOUSTON

Mrs. E. N. COLLINS, JR.;
Mrs. VIVIAN FRIEDBERG
5711 La Fitte
Galveston, Texas

Mr. and Mrs. LU (MARY E.) SCHRADER
3126 Hwy 146
La Porte, Texas

LOS ANGELES

Capt. MARSHALL V. BEEBE
49 Larkspur Avenue
Corona del Mar, California

Mr. and Mrs. ALBERT FULLER
11541 Garden Drive
Garden Grove, California

Mr. and Mrs. R. D. MITCHELL - Navigator
12181 Ora Drive
Garden Grove, California

Mr. and Mrs. STEVEN JONES - Restaurant Mgr.
354 Longfellow Avenue
Hermosa Beach, California

Mr. and Mrs. SELMER G. GOBEN (?)
10761 Landale Street
North Hollywood, California

Mr. and Mrs. GERALD J. FAY - Dispatcher
1377 Raymond Avenue
Long Beach, California

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J. P. HAYWARD
124 Mira Mar
Long Beach, California

JOHN W. HODGKIN - Pilot
5331 E. Ocean
Long Beach, California

CONSUELO MARIN
3022 E. 5th Street
Los Angeles, California

Mr. and Mrs. V. J.(?) POPSON
18712 Nordoff Street
Los Angeles, California

ROBERT A. BRIGHAM
1730 Gates Avenue
Manhattan Beach, California

ROBERT L. KAMYBOWSKI (?) - Bank Teller;
FRANK L. MILLER - Mgr Travel-auto court
10401 North McCormick
North Hollywood, California

HAYES C. SCHLUNDT - Engineer
660 S. Orange Grove Boulevard
Pasadena, California

Dr. & Mrs. E. G. SCHNEIDER - Dentist
Santa Maria, California

L. C. HOLLIDAY
20325 Mason Street
Torrance, California

Mr. and Mrs. GENE S. MANTLE - Purch. Agent
7120 Texhoma
Van Nuys, California

Mr. & Mrs. DAVID HEINZ - Chemist
415 Calle Granada
Santa Barbara, California

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NEW HAVEN

Mr. & Mrs. CLYDE B. GORDON - Exec.
Saybrook, Connecticut

PORTLAND

Mr. & Mrs. JOHN WADDINGHAM - Artiste
955 S.W. Westwood Drive
Portland, Oregon

SACRAMENTO

JAMES W. HINES
2740 Creekside Lane
Sacramento, California

ST. LOUIS

RICHARD H. DIXON - Engr.
13000 Woodley Lane
St. Louis, Missouri

SAN FRANCISCO

Mr. & Mrs. C. F. OLDERSHAW
1746 Humphrey Drive
Concord, California

FRANCIS BROOKS
3483 Hamlin Road
Lafayette, California

Mr. & Mrs. D. S. FOSTER - Self-employed
8 Roberts Circle
Moraga, California

JOSEPH E. MURRAY
276 Somerset Road
Piedmont, California

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Mr. & Mrs. BEN LAPIN - Accountant
1100 Nobhill Avenue
Pinole, California

RICHARD METZ - AT&T
21 Parr Way
San Anselmo, California

CONSUELO A. METZ - Secretary
PO Box 273
San Anselmo, California

HAROLD DAWKINS
71 Bemis Street
San Francisco, California

JULIA M. FIHERER
2665 Franklin
San Francisco, California

Miss MARGARET HAYDEN;
Mrs. BETTY BRIGGS
115 Seal Rock Drive
San Francisco, California

THOMAS F. PACKARD - Secretary
140 Page Street
San Francisco, California

SEATTLE

HOWARD (or HARVARD) PALMER
4644 Emerson Way
Mercer Island, Washington

It is requested that receiving offices locate and interview the people listed above for any information they may be able to furnish concerning GALT and his present location.

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A I R T E L

To: Director, FBI

Date: April 23, 1968

From: *MF* Legat, Mexico City (173-1) (P)

Subject: MURKIN

Enclosed are two copies of the registration card for ERIC GALT at the Hotel "Tropicana," Puerto Vallarta, Jalisco, Mexico, where GALT stayed November 7-13, 1967, in Room 417, paying 90 pesos (\$7.20) per day.

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4 - Bureau (Enc. 2)
(1 - Liaison Section)
1 - Mexico City

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : File (173-1)

DATE: 4/23/68

FROM : Legat Nathan L. Ferris

SUBJECT: MURKIN

At 10:50 a.m., Section Chief CLEM McGOWAN at the Bureau was telephonically advised of the nature of the photograph obtained in Guadalajara of subject JAMES RAY who in Puerto Vallarta was known as ERIC STARVO GALT. It was pointed out to him that the original polaroid had contained a picture of GALT's female companion from whom the picture was obtained. She, however, insisted that her picture be cut out of the photograph and, therefore, the copies being sent contain just the photograph of GALT and his arm at one side, since the arm shows his wrist watch. Mr. McGOWAN was advised that UACB we would send those photographs up by the Captain of EAL flight 904. McGOWAN stated that arrangement was satisfactory and he would have an Agent from the Baltimore Office pick up the photographs from the Captain. He suggested that the envelope with the photographs be addressed to the FBI.

With regard to the list of over 100 names of guests at the hotel where GALT stayed in Puerto Vallarta, McGOWAN advised it would be satisfactory to submit those names by airtel since the information was old.

McGOWAN also advised that a teletype had been received from San Antonio showing that ERIC STARVO GALT obtained an insurance policy for his car at Nuevo Laredo. The policy was issued by MARIO CORREO for Seguros la Provincial, valid for 30 days--10/8/67 through 11/7/67. It was issued for a 1966 Ford Mustang, 8 cylinder car, VIN 6T07C190647.

Mr. McGOWAN also advised that another teletype had been received from San Antonio advising that there were no Mexican Immigration records in the border area for RAY or any of his known aliases. San Antonio also advised that there is no manifest of passengers traveling on Transportes del Norte buses and

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no list of passengers is maintained unless the passengers check baggage. The baggage check list, however, showed one A. STICKEL BAULT among the persons who had traveled on the Transportes del Norte bus which departed Nuevo Laredo 3:50 a.m., 4/6/68. MCGOWAN is having San Antonio go back to endeavor to ascertain where the suspect individual may have obtained his tourist card since normally tourist cards issued at the bridge between Laredo and Nuevo Laredo are made a matter of record.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Legat, 173-1

DATE: 4/23/68

FROM : SA Eldon D. Rudd

SUBJECT: MURKIN

It is noted that Fernando Gutierrez, Director, DFS, advised on 4/22/68 that the individual described in the press as having been issued an entry permit in Memphis to go to Mazatlan and who the Mexican Consul in Memphis as possibly identical with J.E. Ray, had been investigated and Mazatlan scoured without success. This is the subject of a separate memo not yet typed.

On 4/23/68 Gutierrez furnished the following information and FM 5:

The person to whom the Mexican Consul referred was John Scott Candrian: This person was issued FM# #7699381 on 4/3/68 at the Mexican Consulate in Memphis Tenn. He entered Mexico by auto (not described) at Nogales, Son on 4/9/68 and departed Mexico at Nogales on 4/11/68 also by auto (not described). He is age 21, a student single, born 8/21/46 at Chicago Ill., is 6'1" tall, and resides at 1339 Western Av., Chicago Ill.

The FM 5 (copy) is attached for 1-A.

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Memorandum

TO : LEGAT, MEXICO CITY

FROM : SA ELDON D. RUDD (173-1)

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 4/23/68

FERNANDO GUTIERREZ BARRIOS, Director of DFS, advised as follows on 4/22/68:

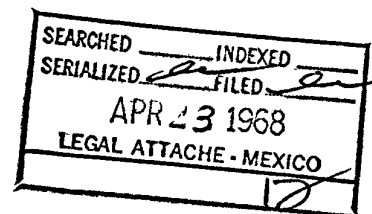
When the news arrived that the Mexican Consulate in Memphis, Tennessee, had issued an FM-5 tourist permit to a person he thought resembled JAMES EARL RAY and who indicated he was going to Mazatlan, Mexico, Secretary of Government ECHEVARRIA issued instructions in Mazatlan and DFS Agents were sent to Mazatlan. These agents scoured the city and turned up no information concerning RAY, but they had sketches at the time and GUTIERREZ was furnished with a blind memorandum concerning RAY, together with two photographs which he said would be furnished to his Agents in Mazatlan who would again scour the city. He said he would also secure the name of the person to whom the tourist permit was issued in Memphis.

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(1) *ako*



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4/23/68

SA Richard S. Clark

~~MURKIN~~

On 4/23/68 MEX 34 called from Acapulco to advise that so far hotel checks in that area negative.

He is staying at the Hotel Meson del Rey, tel. 20259 under name ~~RAFAEL~~ PADILLA.

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Via CABLE PRIORITY
NO 185 BY 2 (Priority)

MURKIN.

REMYCAB APRIL TWO TWO LAST.

IRMA MORALES PAREN TRUE NAME MANUELA AGUIRRE MEDRANO END PAREN
PROSTITUTE WITH WHOM GALT SPENT CONSIDERABLE TIME WHILE AT PUERTO
VALLARTA IN OCTOBER AND NOVEMBER, ONE NINE SIX SEVEN, INTERVIEWED
BY MEX DASH TWO FOUR AT ^(SMALL TOWN NEAR) GUADALAJARA. PHOTOGRAPH OF GALT FURNISHED
BY MORALES WHICH WAS TAKEN IN PUERTO VALLARTA ON NOVEMBER THREE,
ONE NINE SIX SEVEN, HAS BEEN FORWARDED BUREAU WITH PILOT OF EASTERN
AIRLINES FLIGHT NINE ZERO FOUR, APRIL TWO THREE INSTANT, AS BUREAU
HAS BEEN TELEPHONICALLY ADVISED. ORIGINAL PHOTO WAS POLAROID OF
GALT AND MORALES BUT BEFORE GIVING UP PICTURE, SHE INSISTED ON HER
PHOTOGRAPH BEING ^{CUT OUT.} ~~ENCLOSED~~.

MEX DASH TWO FOUR HAS EXTENSIVELY INTERVIEWED IRMA MORALES,
WHO CLAIMS NOT TO HAVE SEEN GALT SINCE NOVEMBER NINE LAST AND NOT TO
HAVE HEARD FROM HIM SINCE THAT TIME.

MORALES CLAIMED THAT ON SUNDAY, OCTOBER TWO NINE LAST, GALT
WAS DRINKING AT SAME TABLE WITH HER ABOUT NINE P.M. AND FOUR
NEGROES AND SEVERAL WHITE PEOPLE WERE SEATED AT ANOTHER TABLE.

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GALT KEPT QUOTE GOADING UNQUOTE THE NEGROES, ONE OF WHOM WAS DESCRIBED AS VERY TALL AND ANOTHER AS VERY SHORT AND FAT. GALT THEN LEFT TO GO TO HIS CAR AND WHEN HE RETURNED HE ASKED MORALES TO FEEL HIS POCKET. SHE DID AND NOTED HE HAD A PISTOL IN HIS POCKET, THE HANDLE OF WHICH SHE SAW. GALT STATED HE WANTED TO KILL THE NEGROES. HE CONTINUED TO BE INSULTING AND WHEN NEGROES LEFT, HE STATED HE WANTED TO QUOTE GO AFTER THEM UNQUOTE. MORALES, HOWEVER, TOLD HIM THAT IT WAS ABOUT TEN O'CLOCK WHEN THE POLICE WOULD COME TO CHECK THE PLACE AND HE STATED HE WANTED NOTHING TO DO WITH THE POLICE, THEREBY TERMINATING THE INCIDENT.

MORALES SAID THAT MOST OF TIME GALT WAS IN PUERTO VALLARTA HE WORE DARK GLASSES.

MEX DASH THREE THREE IMMEDIATELY SENT TO SAN LUIS POTOSI REGARDING LEAD IN BUCAB NO. ONE THREE EIGHT RECEIVED APRIL TWO THREE INSTANT AND BUREAU WILL BE ADVISED OF DEVELOPMENTS.

MEX DASH TWO FOUR IN SAN MIGUEL DE ALLENDE HAS BEEN UNABLE AS OF AFTERNOON APRIL TWO THREE INSTANT TO LOCATE CAR DESCRIBED IN BUCAB NO. ONE THREE FIVE OF APRIL TWO TWO LAST. INVESTIGATION CONTINUING.

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Special Agent in Charge

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INTENSIVE INVESTIGATION CONTINUES IN FOCAL PARTS OF MEXICO AND
BUREAU WILL BE ADVISED OF DEVELOPMENTS.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : File (173-1)

DATE: 4/24/68

FROM : Legat Nathan L. Ferris

SUBJECT: MURKIN

At 6:30 p.m., 4/23/68, SA OGLESBY advised that MEX-24 was in San Miguel de Allende but so far had not been able to locate the automobile. MEX-24 will keep OGLESBY advised of developments.

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☐ Radio☐ Teletype

TO: LEGAT, MEXICO
 FROM: WASHINGTON, D.C.
 NO: 141 BY: DAH

DATE SENT: 4-24-68
 DATE RECEIVED: 4-24-68
 TIME RECEIVED: 12:40PM

MURKIN.

THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION WAS RECEIVED FROM LOS ANGELES:

BERNARDO CARILLO, 26048 FARMFIELD ROAD, CALABASAS, CALIFORNIA, FRIEND OF PAUL VARNER LINDHARD, ADVISED APRIL 22 LAST THAT LINDHARD IS ART STUDENT AT INSTITUTO ALLENDE, SAN MIGUEL DE ALLENDE, GUANAJUATO, MEXICO. LINDHARD TELEPHONED CARILLO APRIL 21, LAST, TO ADVISE OF TRANSMISSION DIFFICULTY NEAR MAZATLAN, MEXICO, AND APRIL 22 CARILLO WIRED MONEY TO LINDHARD AT HOTEL PLAYA, MAZATLAN, MEXICO. CARILLO BELIEVES LINDHARD INTENDS TO VISIT UNKNOWN FEMALE BEFORE RETURNING TO ABOVE SCHOOL.

AIR MAIL COPY TO MEMPHIS,

*Congratulation
 4/24/68
 1200pm
 4/24/68*

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Memorandum

TO : File (173-1)

DATE: 4/24/68

FROM : Legat Nathan L. Ferris

SUBJECT: MURKIN

At 12:42 p.m., 4/24/68, SA OGLESBY telephonically furnished the following information obtained from MEX-24, who is handling investigation in San Miguel de Allende:

PAUL VARNER LINDHARD is a student at the San Miguel Instituto (art institute). His home address in San Miguel de Allende is Calzada de la Aurora #51. Investigation at that address showed that he left San Miguel 4/10/68 for the United States with his girl friend, ROBIN R. ARKELL, whose residence address in San Miguel de Allende is Quebrada #2. When interviewed by the informant, Miss ARKELL's room mate, KATHERINE BRODERICK, stated ROBIN and her boy friend left for the United States on 4/10/68 with another man. Miss BRODERICK did not know the identity of the other man who was traveling with LINDHARD and ARKELL, never having seen him, but she assumed he might be another student. She stated that LINDHARD planned to stop at San Blas and Mazatlan on his return trip from the United States and was scheduled to arrive in San Miguel some time after 5/1/68.

SA OGLESBY suggested that the domestic field might be able to ascertain from LINDHARD's home address, 26048 Farmfield Road, Calabasas, California, information concerning LINDHARD's possible itinerary in Mexico.

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But 4/24/68
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : LEGAT (173-1)

FROM : D.G.BILLS

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 4/24/68

MEX 34 phoned 10:30 AM today and has indications subject JAMES EARL RAY has been in Acapulco.

CHARLIE CONDON, Protection, advised 12:30 PM he just received L.D. phone call from B.P. LOUIS, Room 108, San Antonio Hotel, Acapulco saying LOUIS was in Oaxaca, Oax. last night and saw man looked like RAY in hotel bar facing the main plaza in Oaxaca.

I phoned for LOUIS and the hotel said he was out. MEX 34 answered a stop and will see LOUIS today. Unless it's positive LOUIS is mistaken in his identification of RAY, 34 will take Aerolinea Vega flight Acapulco to Oaxaca, 8 AM tomorrow to check out the lead.

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SA Richard S. Clark

MURKINS

On 4/24/68 Attorney JORGE VAZQUEZ ROBLES, Chief of the Inspection Service of Mexican Immigration advised that they had searched all departures by land from Mexico during the second half of November, 1967 through all ports from the Pacific to the Gulf with negative results regarding the departure of GALT. He advised that he had this done twice to insure no errors. He therefore considered that GALT departed Mexico without surrendering his tourist card, a not uncommon occurrence.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : LEGAT (173-1)

FROM : SA D.G.BILLS

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 4/24/68

Re serial 31 (Salvation Army officer let re sighting of suspect at Nat. City Bank 4/10/68).

Mr. RAY FITZSIMMONS, Mgr., Reforma Branch, First Nat'l City Bank of NY recalled the incident described by Capt. ATKINS very well. He said he has subsequently seen reproductions of actual photos of JAMES EARL RAY (As of 4/10, only artists conception by local artist had hit the newspapers) and there's no possibility the customer observed by Capt. ATKINS is RAY. FITZSIMMONS examined the man closely from 2 feet away; wrote down a brief description (5'11", 30 yrs., solid build, American business man - well dressed) and even recalled his name was NOOMAN.

Mr. FITZ. said today he found the copy of the bank draft issued to NOOMAN (ROGER F.) on 4/10/68 for \$600. NOOMAN was in 5 times before 4/10/68 to collect various sums on letter of credit # [REDACTED], issued by 1st Nat. City Bnk. of NY 12/18/67. Specifically he was in on 3/15, 16, 18 & 4/1 & 4/68; the last being during regular banking hours on the 4th, when he withdrew \$400. Signatures on all the drafts appeared to be the same.

Based on above, no apparent reason to pursue this lead further.

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Date: 4/24/68

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(Priority)BY: [Signature] NO: 191

MURKIN

REMYCAB APRIL TWO THREE LAST/ AND BUCAB APRIL
TWO FOUR INSTANT.

RE SUSPECT PASSENGER OF PAUL VARNER LINDHARD;
MEX DASH TWO FOUR ESTABLISHED AT SAN MIGUEL DE ALLENDE, GUANAJUATO,
THAT LINDHARD IS STUDENT THERE WHO LEFT APRIL TEN LAST AND NOT
EXPECTED BACK UNTIL ABOUT MAY ONE NEXT. HE PLANNED TO STOP AT
BLAS,
SAN ~~XXX~~ NAYARIT, AND MAZATLAN, SINALOA, ON RETURN TRIP. THIS
INFORMATION AND THAT PROVIDED BY BUREAU FURNISHED TO SOURCES AT
MAZATLAN WHO ARE LOCATING LINDHARD AND WILL IMMEDIATELY ADVISED
THIS OFFICE.

RE SUSPECT AT SAN LUIS POTOSI, SAN LUIS POTOSI;
BUS MANIFESTS FOR TRANSPORTES DEL NORTE LOCATED AT MONTERREY,
(MEXICO CITY VIA)
NUEVO LEON, WHERE PASSENGERS CHANGED FOR SAN LUIS POTOSI.

CONCENTRATED ATTENTION BEING GIVEN TO LIMITED NUMBER OF NORTH
AMERICANS ON BUS, ESPECIALLY ONE G. SMITH, WHO/MAY BE SUSPECT FROM SEATING ARRANGEMENT
RE REFERRED TO BY DEPUTY SHERIFF ANGEL STICKEZ GAULT IN REPORT
TO SAN ANTONIO OFFICE. MEX DASH THREE THREE, INVESTIGATIVE
INFORMANT, IS ON SCENE AT SAN LUIS POTOSI, AND MAKING INTENSIFIED
EFFORTS TO LOCATE ALL NORTH AMERICANS FROM THIS

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PARTIAL NAMES ARE AVAILABLE FROM MANIFEST. BUS DRIVERS IDENTIFIED AND BEING LOCATED FOR INTERVIEW.

AT SAN LUIS POTOSI, MEX DASH THREE THREE FOUND RECORD AT FILMER HOTEL FOR PERIOD APRIL SEVEN THROUGH NINE LAST FOR ONE WILLAND PERKIN, THREE SIX TWO WEST CEDAR AVENUE, BURBANK, CALIFORNIA, OCCUPATION GIVEN AS PHOTOGRAPHER, WHO WAS ONLY PERSON RECALLED BY EMPLOYEES OF HOTELS AND MOTELS THERE WHO MIGHT POSSIBLY ANSWER DESCRIPTION. PRESENT WHEREABOUTS UNKNOWN. REQUEST LOS ANGELES BE INSTRUCTED TO IDENTIFY PERKIN, OBTAIN DESCRIPTION AND CONFIRM TRAVEL IN MEXICO.

INDIVIDUALS INTERVIEWED AT PUERTO VALLARTA, JALISCO, STATE THAT GALT DRANK BEER DURING DAYTIME/ AND ALMOST ANY TYPE OF MIXED DRINK AT NIGHT. HE DID NOT SMOKE AND WHEN OFFERED A CIGARETTE, INVARIABLY STATED QUOTE I DON'T SMOKE ANYTHING BUT MARIJUANA. UNQUOTE. DESPITE THIS, NOBODY LOCATED TO DATE CAN STATE THAT THEY EVER SAW HIM USING MARIJUANA. HE APPEARED TO BE MAINTAINING METICULOUS BUDGET, ALLOTING ONLY A CERTAIN AMOUNT EACH DAY FOR DRINKING, AN EQUAL AMOUNT FOR FEMININE COMPANIONSHIP, ETC.

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MURKIN.

YOU ARE INSTRUCTED TO MAINTAIN CONTACTS WITH ALL MASS COMMUNICATIONS MEDIA IN YOUR TERRITORIES TO INSURE THAT THERE IS FREQUENT REFERENCE TO RAY AND HIS CONNECTION WITH THIS CASE.

SINCE YOU HAVE PREVIOUSLY BEEN ADVISED THAT JAMES EARL RAY IS IDENTICAL WITH ERIC STARVO GALT AND YOU HAVE BEEN FURNISHED I.O.'S AND WANTED FLYERS ON RAY WHICH SHOULD ALREADY HAVE BEEN DISTRIBUTED, YOU ARE TO BE CERTAIN THAT ALL APPROPRIATE STOPS HAVE BEEN RENEWED ON JAMES EARL RAY AND UNDER ALL OF HIS KNOWN ALIASES AS SET FORTH ON THE I.O.'S AND WANTED FLYERS. THIS IS TO INSURE THAT THE BUREAU WILL BE IMMEDIATELY ~~NOTIFIED~~ NOTIFIED IF THE SUBJECT IS ARRESTED OR COMES TO THE ATTENTION OF AUTHORITIES IN ANY SECTION OF YOUR TERRITORIES WITH WHOM STOPS HAVE BEEN PLACED.

STOPS SHOULD HAVE BEEN RENEWED ON JAMES EARL RAY AND HIS KNOWN ALIASES COVERING DEPARTURE OR ARRIVAL OF OVERSEAS FLIGHTS AND HIS PHOTOGRAPHS APPROPRIATELY REDISPLAYED.

THIS CASE SHOULD CONTINUE TO RECEIVE YOUR CLOSEST ATTENTION AND YOU SHOULD INSURE THAT ALL BUREAU INSTRUCTIONS ARE CARRIED OUT WITHOUT DELAY.

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