

Mechanical Section

April 19, 1968

Director, FBI

**JAMES EARL RAY
ALSO KNOWN AS - FUGITIVE
CIVIL RIGHTS - CONSPIRACY
INTERSTATE FLIGHT - ROBBERY**

1 - Mr. DeLoach
1 - Mr. Rosen
1 - Mr. Malley
1 - Mr. McGowan
1 - Mr. McDonough
1 - Mr. Long
1 - Mr. Martindale
1 - Mr. Mohr
1 - Mr. Bishop
1 - Mr. Gale
1 - Mr. Conrad

There is attached for preparation and distribution a draft of a Wanted Flyer concerning James Earl Ray. This is the individual who is being sought in connection with the murder of Martin Luther King, Jr., on April 4, 1968, in Memphis, Tennessee.

Based on our investigation a Federal warrant was issued at Birmingham, Alabama, on April 17, 1968, charging Ray as Eric Starvo Galt with conspiring to interfere with the constitutional rights of a citizen (Title 18, U. S. Code, Section 241).

One hundred copies of the Wanted Flyer should be sent to all offices air mail special delivery. Regular allotments should be forwarded air mail. This Wanted Flyer is also to be reproduced in the Spanish language since Ray under the name Galt is known to have traveled into Mexico in the fall of 1967.

Enclosure

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REWRITE MEMO 4/22/68, EJM:wjc.

cc: DeLoach
Rosen
Malley
McGowan
~~McDonough~~
Tetter
Conrad

Memorandum to Mr. DeLoach:
RE: MURKIN

The Memphis Police Department has not asked for the return of the evidence in this case. SAC Jensen, shortly after Mr. DeLoach's trip to Memphis on April 5, 1968, expressed to DeLoach the fact that the Police Department might soon begin wondering whether they would receive a report. DeLoach later mentioned this thought on Jensen's part in conversation with the Director. Both SAC Jensen and Inspector Joe Sullivan have indicated that there has been no request whatsoever on the part of the Memphis Police Department for this evidence to be returned.

Inspector Zachary, Memphis Police Department, has expressed the opinion that ultimately the case would have to be tried as a murder case in local courts. The First Assistant State Attorney General, Robert Dwyer, has indicated an interest in the evidence but has not made any request for its return.

The evidence has been maintained in the FBI Laboratory in view of the exhaustive and intensive investigation being conducted by the FBI and principally because evidence continues to be accumulated as we develop additional information on the background, prior movements and activities of the subject. Retention of the evidence has been particularly important from the standpoint that many of the items contained latent fingerprint impressions. It was, of course, necessary that these impressions be compared with previously obtained material.

OBSERVATIONS:

The individual known as Eric Starvo Galt has now been identified as James Earl Ray, a Bureau fugitive. This important identification, of course, places the case in a different light. We, therefore, now feel that it is not necessary to retain the evidence, which has been already fully examined, and recommend that the evidence recovered by the Memphis Police Department be returned to that agency at this time. It is suggested, however, that the Department be consulted prior to this action being taken.

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FBI
REC'D CIVIL RIGHTS

Mr. Conrad

April 19, 1968

W. D. Griffith

MURKIN
CR

On 4/18/68, SA Roger D. Ashland, Washington Field Office, brought to the Laboratory the photograph and signature of one Robert J. Corcoran who is currently applying for a passport and who was thought to be a "look alike" for Eric S. Galt. Corcoran, whose date of birth is given as January 7, 1931, at Baltimore, Maryland, resides at 1929 Gwynn Oak Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland, and listed occupation as a salesman.

The writings received in this case lack the comparability for an adequate comparison with the signature Robert J. Corcoran; however, nothing of particular significance was noted between the signature of Corcoran when compared with the writings attributed to Eric S. Galt, from such a comparison as could be made.

The Washington Field Office has forwarded this information to the Baltimore Division for further investigation and the above information was furnished to the Latent Fingerprint Section for a search of the records of the Identification Division and a subsequent comparison of any fingerprint cards located with the unidentified latents appearing on items received in this matter.

RECOMMENDATION: None. For information.

1 - Mr. Mohr
1 - Mr. DeLoach
① - Mr. Rosen (Mr. Long 2260)
1 - Mr. Conrad
1 - Mr. Griffith
1 - Mr. Mortimer
1 - Lab File
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Mr. Conrad

April 19, 1968

W. D. Griffith

MURKIN
CR

Long

The General Investigative Division has forwarded to the Laboratory an anonymous typewritten letter which was postmarked at Long Beach, California, on April 15, 1968, and addressed to The Federal Bureau of Investigation. The paper on which this anonymous letter was prepared bears the letterhead "Army Air Forces, Technical Training Command, Miami Beach, Florida," and is dated April 15, 1968. This letter, obviously referring to the recovery of the white Mustang of Eric Starvo Galt in Atlanta, Georgia, requested that the Bureau please take care of the writer's white Mustang and the letter bore the typewritten signature "Eric Stavio Galt."

The typewritten impressions on the envelope and letter referred to above were compared with the typewriter impressions appearing on specimens received in this investigation which have been attributed to Eric Starvo Galt and these were found to be not identical.

The letter and envelope were also searched in the Anonymous Letter File without effecting an identification and have been forwarded to the Latent Fingerprint Section for appropriate examination.

RECOMMENDATION: None. For information.

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- 1 - Mr. Mohr
- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- ① - Mr. Rosen (Mr. Long, 2260)
- 1 - Mr. Conrad
- 1 - Mr. Griffith
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- 1 - Lab File

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REC'D CIVIL RIGHTS

Mr. Rosen

April 19, 1968

C. L. McGowan

1 - Mr. Rosen
1 - Mr. Malley
1 - Mr. McGowan
① - Mr. Long
1 - Mr. Bates

MURKIN

At 12:35 a.m., 4/18/68, Raymond Higgins, 300 East Worthington Avenue, Charlotte, North Carolina, telephonically contacted Duty Supervisor SA Richard F. Bates to advise that he had just observed an individual at Robertson's Drive-In Restaurant, South Boulevard, Charlotte, whom he felt was possibly Eric Starvo Galt. According to Higgins, this individual was accompanied by a woman who spoke in a foreign tongue.

Higgins stated that he, Higgins, has patronized Robertson's Drive-In for years and knows all the regular customers, thus, when this man and woman entered, his attention was attracted to them as he knew they were not regular customers. Higgins declared he checked the newspaper photos of Galt and the unknown man bore a striking resemblance to Galt. Higgins further advised that the man's left ear was larger than his right ear.

When the couple left, Higgins followed them to an apartment house in the 1800 block of South Boulevard, Charlotte, possibly 1821 South Boulevard. He did not know what apartment they entered but described the building as renting out \$20 a week apartments.

Higgins can be reached during the day at his employment, Mitchell and Becker, 1900 block of South Boulevard.

ACTION:

Higgin's information was furnished to SA Crawford Williams, Charlotte Division at 12:50 a.m., 4/18/68 who advised that Charlotte would immediately check it out. SA Williams is handling the Murkin investigation in the Charlotte Division.

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1-Mr. DeLoach
1-Mr. Rosen

1-Mr. Bishop
① Mr. McGowan

MR. DE LOACH

April 19, 1968

S. B. DONAHOE

MURKIN

Memo
Long

Jerry O'Leary, reporter for the "Washington Evening Star," called me at 11:30 p.m. on April 18, 1968.

O'Leary stated that a woman photographer named Virginia Guy had been in touch with him that evening. Miss Guy is a free lance photographer who also works for Flare Publications, 1028 Connecticut Avenue, N. W., Washington, D. C. She covered the King funeral in Atlanta and made a number of photographs.

Miss Guy advised O'Leary last night that in developing these photographs she had come across one which shows four individuals watching the funeral and she believes that one of the individuals bears a striking resemblance to Galt. She contacted O'Leary in order to find out to whom she could furnish the photograph. O'Leary mentioned that she also contacted him because she probably hoped that if the picture was of value she might subsequently be able to sell it to the "Star" or to some other news service. Her local telephone number is 223-4088.

ACTION:

This information was furnished to SA Hunter E. Helgeson in the General Investigative Division in order that arrangements could be made to contact Miss Guy and obtain the photograph.

SBD:amr
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1968

Mr. Rosen

April 19, 1968

C. L. McGowan

MURKIN

1 - Mr. Rosen
1 - Mr. Malley
1 - Mr. McGowan
1 - Mr. McDonough
① - Mr. Long
1 - Mr. Gehring
1 - Mr. Boyd
1 - Mr. Dally
1 - Mr. Rowe
1 - Mr. Bates
1 - Mr. Hudson
1 - Mr. Helgeson

There is set out hereunder the extra-duty schedule for the captioned case:

Saturday, 4/20/68

8:00 a.m. - 12:00 Noon, SA R. J. McDonough
12:00 Noon - 4:00 p.m., SA H. P. Gehring
4:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m., SA J. J. Boyd
8:00 p.m. - 12:00 Midnight, SA R. J. Dally

Sunday, 4/21/68

8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., SA R. E. Long
4:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m., SA H. G. Rowe
8:00 p.m. - 12:00 Midnight, SA V. J. Hudson

SA Richard F. Bates will cover the Murkin special on the midnight to eight shift, 4/23-27/68. SA Hunter E. Helgeson will cover the Murkin special on the four to midnight shift, 4/22-26/68.

Other Agents assigned to the Murkin special will of course work during the normal working hours as well as any additional period required by the developments in the case.

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Mr. DeLoach

April 19, 1968

A. Rosen

MURKIN

1 - Mr. DeLoach
1 - Mr. Rosen
1 - Mr. Malley
1 - Mr. McGowan
1 - Mr. Martindale
1 - Mr. McDonough
1 - Mr. Long
1 - Mr. Bishop

This is the investigation into the assassination of Martin Luther King, Jr.

Sandy Smith telephonically contacted the Bureau on the evening of 4/18/68 concerning the captioned matter. Smith related that George Hunt, editor of "Life" magazine, had received information that one Curtis Way of the Youth Corps, Newark, New Jersey, claimed to have photographs of subject Galt. Way allegedly stated that Galt had marched with King about two weeks before King was killed. Way claimed to have both movies and still photographs of Galt in the crowd.

Smith stated that the information could be obtained from Hunt or the first assistant editor of "Life" magazine, Phil Kuhhardt.

New York Office contacted "Life" magazine and interviewed Curtis Way, Deputy Director, Neighborhood Youth Corps, City of Newark, New Jersey. They also interviewed Gloria Way and Theodore Rose, all of Newark. These individuals positively identified a newspaper photograph of Galt as being the individual they had observed on 3/24/68 at a parade in Newark, New Jersey. Way contended that the individual had approached him at the start of the parade and requested permission to participate. Way endeavored to discourage him since he was unknown and looked out of place as the group were mostly teenagers. However, the individual continued in the march. Way contended that this individual also attended a dance that night and was observed sitting with three or four colored women between the ages of 30 and 60 years and that the individual danced nearly every dance with these women.

The unknown individual was described as being in his late 30's, 6 feet 8 inches tall, weighing over 190 pounds, hair black graying at temples, neatly dressed.

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Memorandum to Mr. DeLoach
RE: MURKIN

Assistant Director Malone has advised that the photographs have been examined and these photographs were 35 mm still pictures and were really too small to make an identification but it appeared that the individual was too heavy and too old to be the suspect Galt.

ACTION:

Intensive investigation is being continued to identify the individual who appeared at the parade in Newark on 3/24/68 and at the dance in Newark that evening in order to fully account for him.

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Mr. DeLoach

April 18, 1968

A. Rosen

MURKIN

1 - Mr. DeLoach
1 - Mr. Rosen
1 - Mr. Malley
1 - Mr. McGowan
1 - Mr. Long
1 - Mr. McDonough
1 - Mr. Martindale
1 - Mr. Bishop

This is the case involving the murder of Martin Luther King, Jr., on 4/4/68.

Attached for approval is a memorandum that has been prepared to advise the White House, the Attorney General, the Deputy Attorney General and the Civil Rights Division of the fact that a complaint has been filed charging Eric Starvo Galt with conspiracy to interfere with a constitutional right of Martin Luther King, Jr., and setting forth some of the basic facts and background information that have been publicly released.

Enclosure

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

*In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.*

April 18, 1968

MURDER OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

On April 17, 1968, the FBI filed a complaint before the United States Commissioner, Birmingham, Alabama, charging that Eric Starvo Galt and an individual whom he alleged to be his brother conspired to interfere with a constitutional right of Martin Luther King, Jr., namely, the right to freely travel from state to state. It was also charged that in furtherance of this conspiracy Galt purchased a rifle at Birmingham on or about March 30, 1968.

A .30-06 caliber rifle equipped with a telescopic sight was found near a Memphis rooming house immediately after the fatal shot was fired. The rooming house overlooks the motel room where Martin Luther King, Jr., was slain. The rifle has been traced by the FBI from the factory to a Birmingham dealer who sold it to Galt.

Galt has previously used the names of John Willard and Harvey Lowmyer. A white Mustang automobile purchased by Galt in Birmingham on August 30, 1967, was abandoned in Atlanta, Georgia, and was located on April 11, 1968. The odometer showed that the Mustang was driven more than 19,000 while it was owned by Galt.

Galt is known to have been in Memphis, Tennessee, on April 3 and 4, 1968. His prior movements have been traced to Los Angeles, New Orleans, Mexico and Canada. He has claimed to have been a merchant seaman and a cook on Mississippi River boats and seagoing vessels. He graduated from a bartending course in Los Angeles in March, 1968, and is known to have taken dancing lessons in Long Beach, California, from December, 1967, to February, 1968. He previously took dancing lessons in Birmingham during September and October, 1967, and reportedly took such lessons at New Orleans in 1964 and 1965.

MURDER OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

Widespread publicity is being given to Galt's fugitive status and every effort is being made to effect his apprehension as quickly as possible. The most intensive investigation is being pursued throughout the United States as well as in Canada and Mexico.



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MR. DE LOACH

memo
April 18, 1968

J. H. GALE

MURKIN

Sandy Smith, "Life" magazine writer, telephonically contacted me at 6:15 P.M. and advised that his headquarters in New York had received a call from an individual named Curtin Way who identified himself as an employee of the Youth Corps of Newark, New Jersey. Way allegedly told representatives of "Life" magazine that after he saw the picture of Eric Starvo Galt which the FBI had distributed throughout the country, he immediately remembered Galt as having marched with Martin Luther King in Memphis two weeks before the murder. According to Smith, Curtin Way informed "Life" that he had a movie film as well as still film showing Galt making the afore-mentioned march with Martin Luther King's group.

Smith advised that Way initially called the Newark Office of the FBI and asked them to contact him and that they sent an Agent to see him immediately, but for some unknown reason, Way did not keep the appointment. Smith advised that George Hunt, Editor of "Life", was anxious to cooperate with the Bureau concerning this matter and would turn over any film which they received from Way when he contacted them. The General Investigative Division is issuing appropriate instructions to the New York Office to contact "Life" magazine to see if there is anything to this matter.

ACTION:

This matter is receiving preferred attention and you will be advised of the results.

- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
 - 1 - Mr. Rosen
 - 1 - Mr. Gale
 - 1 - Mr. McGowan
 - 1 - Mr. McAndrews
- Long*

JHG:asm
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Mr. Rosen

C. L. McGowan

MURKIN

Memo
April 16, 1968

1 - Mr. Rosen

1 - Mr. Malley

P - Mr. McGowan

1 - Mr. Long

At 11:45 p. m. , Inspector Sterling Donahoe, Mr. DeLoach's Office, called. He had just received a call from Jeremiah O'Leary, reporter for the Evening Star. O'Leary had been advised by Virginia Guy, a woman photographer for "Flare," 1028 Connecticut Avenue, Northwest, Washington, D. C. , that she had covered the King funeral and in developing these photographs tonight she now feels that she has a photograph with Galt and three other individuals. She can be contacted at telephone number 223-4088.

Above information was furnished to Night Supervisor Louis Crescioli, Washington Field Office, who advised that Virginia Guy had just called WFO to furnish the same information and they had made arrangements to contact her first thing in the morning to obtain the photographs in question.

ACTION:

For information.

HEH:hw

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Mr. DeLoach

4/18/68

T. E. Bishop

MURKIN

ISSUANCE OF WANTED FLYER IN SPANISH

UPI, in a story that went on the wire at 1:04 p.m., 4/18/68, states that wanted flyers "also were printed in Spanish for distribution for points on the U.S.-Mexican border, a spokesman said." It is noted that the story does not identify the spokesman with any agency at all. Mr. Tolson has inquired as to how this information was secured by UPI when the wanted flyers in Spanish are still being printed and none have been distributed yet.

I have checked with all the men in my office and none of them have given out any information concerning wanted flyers in Spanish, nor have any inquiries concerning this matter been received. Copies of the English wanted flyers were given to Associated Press and UPI this morning. I have also checked with Mr. Rosen and with Mr. C. Q. Smith in the Mechanical Section and neither of them received any inquiries concerning the publication of Spanish language wanted flyers.

It is noted that several copies of the English wanted flyer were furnished to the Information Office of the Department of Justice this morning, at their request, and there is a good likelihood that the information about Spanish wanted flyers might have been given out by that office, in answer to an inquiry, as an "educated guess," since our press release reflects that the subject had included Mexico in his travels.

In accordance with the instructions that we have received, we are maintaining a "no comment" policy to additional inquiries on this case, and it is noted that reporters are directing more and more of their inquiries to the Department of Justice Information Office because they apparently have concluded that they can get more additional information there than from us.

RECOMMENDATION

None. For information.

1 - Mr. DeLoach

1 - Mr. Rosen

1 - Mr. Callahan

TEB:mls (5)

Murkin
Mr. Rosen

4/18/68

J. R. Malley

1 - Mr. Rosen
1 - Mr. Malley
1 - Mr. McGowan
1 - Mr. McDonough
1 - Mr. Sullivan *long*

MURKIN

Special Agent Gary McLeod of Secret Service stopped by the General Investigative Division today and mentioned that Secret Service was extremely interested in the activities of Eric Stavros Galt. McLeod stated he realized from the press release, a copy of which he had obtained, that there was probably very little information available at this time. However, he indicated Secret Service would certainly appreciate being furnished any information as the investigation progresses which would be of assistance to them in properly looking after their responsibilities in protecting the President.

Agent McLeod was assured this Bureau would, as we have in the past, make any information available to them which would be of interest to them.

Submitted for information.

JRM:mpd (5)

Mr. Rosen

April 18, 1968

C. L. McGowan

1 - Mr. Rosen
1 - Mr. Malley
1 - Mr. McGowan
1 - Mr. Long

MURKIN

This pertains to the photographs in possession of Life magazine, New York City, allegedly depicting a white man in attendance at a march with Martin Luther King, Jr.,'s group. This white man is reported to resemble Galt.

On night of 4-18-68, Assistant Director John Malone, New York Office, called. He stated that they had talked to the people at Life magazine and viewed the photographs in question. The photographs were stills, 35 millimeter, and they were made on the night of 3-27-68, at a church in Newark where Reverend King was appearing. Mr. Malone said that the photographs of the white man in question were really too small to make an identification, but it appeared that the man was too old and too heavy to be the suspect. The New York Office also talked to Curtis Way, who made the photographs, and based upon information they obtained from him, they are setting out leads to Newark in an effort to identify this individual and run him down.

Mr. Malone advised the New York Office was sending in a teletype tonight setting forth results of their contacts.

ACTION:

For information.

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NA 5:50 AM
4/19/68
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WASH 3 NEWARK 1
420AM URGENT 4/19-68 WMS

TO DIRECTOR 44-38861 (PLAINTEXT), MEMPHIS 44-1987, AND NEWARK
44-874

FROM NEW YORK 44-1629

MURKIN - CR

FUG-
Galt

Long

RE BUREAU PHONE CALL FOUR EIGHTEEN LAST.

THEODORE ROSE, THIRTY NINE ECKART ST, WK, NJ. GLORIA AND
CURTIS WAY, THE LATTER DEPUTY DIRECTOR NEIGHBORHOOD YOUTH CORPS,
CITY OF NEWARK, NJ, INTERVIEWED FOUR EIGHTEEN LAST AT TIME INC.,
NYC. ALL POSITIVELY IDENTIFIED PHOTO OF ERIC STARVO GALT APPEARING
NEWARK STAR LEDGER FOUR EIGHTEEN LAST AS INDIVIDUAL OBSERVED ON
MARCH TWENTY FOUR LAST AT PARADE AND DANCE THAT NIGHT IN WK AND ON
MARCH TWENTY SEVEN LAST AT ABYSSINIAN CHURCH, TWO TWENTY FOUR W.
KINNEY ST., WK. AFOREMENTIONED PARADE STARTED LINCOLN PARK AND
TERMINATED WASHINGTON PARK. UNSUB BELIEVED TO BE GALT APPROACHED
WAY AT START OF PARADE AND REQUESTED PERMISSION TO PARTICIPATE IN
PARADE. WAY ATTEMPTED TO DISCOURAGE UNSUB SINCE HE WAS UNKNOWN AND
LOOKED OUT OF PLACE AS GROUP MOSTLY TEENAGERS. HOWEVER, WAY'S
ATTENTION DIVERTED AND INDIVIDUAL CONTINUED IN MARCH. WAY THOUGHT
THAT THIS WAS POSSIBLY PUBLICITY STUNT BUT INDIVIDUAL ALLOWED TO
CONTINUE AND STRUTTED ALONG FRINGE OF MARCHERS. WHEN PARADE
COMPLETED WAY UNABLE TO LOCATE AND THANK UNSUB.

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PAGE TWO

UNSUB NEXT OBSERVED AT TERRACE BALLROOM DANCE, NK, NIGHT OF PARADE, BY ROSE AND BOTH WAYS. SAT AT TABLE WITH THREE OR FOUR COLORED WOMEN, EACH FIFTY TO SIXTY YEARS OF AGE, AND DANCED NEARLY EVERY DANCE WITH THESE WOMEN. WAY INVITED UNSUB TO HIS TABLE COUPLE OF TIMES, BUT UNSUB IGNORED INVITATION AND NEVER IDENTIFIED HIMSELF WHEN ASKED NAME. TABLES FOR THIS AFFAIR ASSIGNED BY JOHN AND ELIZABETH THOMAS, LISLIE ST., NK AND THEY WOULD KNOW SEATING ARRANGEMENTS. DANCE SCHEDULED TO END MIDNIGHT BUT BROKE UP AT ELEVEN PM AND UNSUB STILL THERE AFTER ROSE AND WAYS LEFT.

ROSE AND BOTH WAYS ATTENDED FUNCTION AT ABYSSINIAN CHURCH NIGHT OF MARCH TWENTY SEVEN IN CONNECTION WITH DR. KING'S PROPOSED WASHINGTON, D.C. MARCH. KING ARRIVED LATE ABOUT TEN PM, KING ENTERED FRONT ENTRANCE OF CHURCH PRECEDED BY POLICEMAN FOLLOWED BY TWO KING AIDES AND UNSUB. APPEARANCE OF UNSUB SURPRISED ROSE AND WAYS BUT THEN WHEN UNSUB WENT DOWN AND SHOOK HANDS WITH MINISTERS IN BACK OF DAIS, THEY THOUGHT HE WAS MINISTER ALSO. NAMES OF TWO OF THE MINISTERS ARE OLIVER LAFTON WHO IS ON LEGAL SERVICE OF THE CRIME COMMISSION OF NEW JERSEY AND KEVIN WEST, GRACE CHAPEL EPISCOPAL REFORMED CHURCH NK, . ALSO THE PASTOR OF QUEENS ANGEL PARIS, BELMONT AVE, NK, NAME NOT KNOWN.

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PAGE THREE

ROSE TOOK THREE COLORED PHOTOS OF DR. KING FROM BALCONY WHICH SHOWS UNSUB IN EACH PHOTO ALONG WITH OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE. NEGATIVE BEING FORWARDED BUREAU.

UNSUB DESCRIBED AS ABOUT SIX FOOT THREE INCHES, AGE UPPER THIRTIES, HAIR BLACK GREYING AT TEMPLES, WEIGHT IN EXCESS OF ONE HUNDRED NINETY LBS., DARK SUIT, WHITE SHIRT WITH STRING TIE WHICH CLOSED AT THE TOP WITH FALCON OR EAGLE CLASP, AND CONSIDERED NEATLY DRESSED. GLORIA WAY ADVISED THAT GAIL WILLIAMS, EMPLOYED IN OFFICE OF CURTIS WAY, INFORMED HER THAT A GIRL FRIEND OF GAIL WILLIAMS HAD DATED UNSUB. UNSUB REFERRED TO AS "FLOWER MAN". THE GIRL FRIEND REPORTEDLY STATED THAT MAN SHE DATED NOT INDIVIDUAL SHOWN IN NK PAPER AS GALT, AND STATED MAN SHE DATED RESIDED AT YMCA SIX HUNDRED BROAD ST., NEWARK, NJ.

NK CONTACT GAIL WILLIAM FOR NAME OF GIRL WHO DATED "FLOWER MAN" AND INTERVIEW GIRL TO DETERMINE IF IDENT WITH GALT.

CONTACT JOHN AND ELIZABETH THOMAS, LESLIE ST., NK, TO LEARN SEATING ARRANGEMENT AT DANCE, IDENTIFY AND INTERVIEW WOMEN WHO SAT AND DANCED WITH UNSUB.

CONTACT MINISTERS MENTIONED HEREIN AND OTHERS IN EFFORT TO DETERMINE IF UNSUB IS GALT.

WILL CONTACT FOLLOWING WHO REPORTEDLY TOOK PICTURES OF PARADE AND CHURCH FUNCTION IN EFFORT TO OBTAIN ADDITIONAL PHOTOS OF UNSUB.

END PAGE THREE

PAGE FOUR

FNU BREEZE, AFRO-AMERICAN NEWSPAPER, ONE NINETY CLINTON ST.,
NEWARK -(PARADE)

PRODENTIAL LIFE INSURANCE CO -(PARADE)

ERNIE JOHNSON, NEWARK STAR LEDGER -(CHURCH FUNCTION)

CONTACT YMCA, SIX HUNDRED BROAD ST. TO IDENTIFY "FLOWER MAN"

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

END

WA...RM FBI WASH DC

NY..9

*orig - Rosen
cc - McGowan*

Mr. Rosen

C.L. McGowan

MURKIN

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ACTION:

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HEH:hw
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Mem

MR. TROTTER

4-18-68

S. F. Latona

MURKIN

RESULTS OF LATENT PRINT EXAMINATION

No latent prints of value were developed by Identification Division on an envelope or accompanying sheet of paper, described below, received from General Investigative Division on 4-17-68.

Envelope postmarked "Long Beach, Calif., 15 APR 1968" addressed to "The Federal Bureau of Investigation, Washington, D. C." contained sheet of Army Air Forces, Technical Training Command, Miami Beach, Florida, stationery bearing typewritten message dated April 15, 1968, "Federal Bureau of Investigation, Washington, D. C., Dear Sir; Please take good care of my white Mustang. Sincerely Eric Stavio Galt."

General Investigative Division has been advised. Laboratory reporting separately.

RECOMMENDATION:

For information.

44-38861

Long

1 - Mr. DeLoach
1 - Mr. Mohr
1 - Mr. Rosen
1 - Mr. Bishop
1 - Mr. Conrad

APC:mmm
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This is the investigation into the assassination of Martin Luther King, Jr.

Sandy Smith telephonically contacted the Bureau on the evening of 4/18/68 concerning the captioned matter. Smith related that George Hunt, editor of "Life" magazine, had received information that one Curtis Way of the Youth Corps, Newark, New Jersey, claimed to have photographs of subject Galt. Way allegedly stated that Galt had marched with King about two weeks before King was killed. Way claimed to have both movies and still photographs of Galt in the crowd.

Smith stated that the information could be obtained from Hunt or the first assistant editor of "Life" magazine, Phil Kuhhardt.

New York Office contacted "Life" magazine and interviewed Curtis Way, Deputy Director, Neighborhood Youth Corps, City of Newark, New Jersey. They also interviewed Gloria Way and Theodore Rose, all of Newark. These individuals positively identified a newspaper photograph of Galt as being the individual they had observed on 3/24/68 at a parade in Newark, New Jersey. Way contended that the individual had approached him at the start of the parade and requested permission to participate. Way endeavored to discourage him since he was unknown and looked out of place as the group were mostly teenagers. However, the individual continued in the march. Way contended that this individual also attended a dance that night and was observed sitting with three or four colored women between the ages of 50 and 60 years and that the individual danced nearly every dance with these women.

The unknown individual was described as being in his late 30's, 6 feet 5 inches tall, weighing over 190 pounds, hair black graying at temples, neatly dressed.

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Assistant Director Malone has advised that the photographs have been examined and these photographs were 35 mm still pictures and were really too small to make an identification but it appeared that the individual was too heavy and too old to be the suspect Galt.

ACTION:

Intensive investigation is being continued to identify the individual who appeared at the parade in Newark on 3/24/68 and at the dance in Newark that evening in order to fully account for him.

Mr. DeLoach

4/19/68

T. E. Bishop

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In view of the identification of James Earl Ray, the subject of an Unlawful Flight to Avoid Confinement investigation, as being identical with the individual previously charged under the name of Eric Starvo Galt in instant case, there is attached hereto a proposed press release announcing the identification by the Bureau of Ray as being identical with Galt.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. That the Director approve the attached press release.
2. That Mr. DeLoach thereafter clear the press release with the Attorney General.
3. After recommendations 1 and 2 have been accomplished, that the release be returned to my (Bishop's) office for further processing.

Enclosure

- 1 - Mr. DeLoach (Enclosure)
- 1 - Mr. Gale (Enclosure)
- ① - Mr. Rosen (Enclosure)
- 1 - Mr. Jones (Enclosure)

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**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, on 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.

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 and cashing 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'Connor. 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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This case concerns the murder of Martin Luther King, Jr.

A latent fingerprint has been developed on a map found among items believed to have been left by Galt, 4/5/68, at the Atlanta rooming house. This fingerprint is identical with the fingerprint found on the gun believed to be the murder weapon. It has previously been reported that the fingerprint on the gun, which was purchased at Birmingham, is identical with the fingerprint found on the binoculars purchased at Memphis and abandoned with the gun.

In tracing payments Galt made to the locksmithing school in New Jersey, it was found that one payment was made by a money order purchased at the Bank of America in Los Angeles, Hollywood-Western Branch. A review of the bank's records identified the following money orders purchased in addition to five money orders payable to the locksmithing school:

1/29/68, \$4.25, payable to Free Press of Los Angeles

2/1/68, \$3.00, payable to C. M. Hedgpeth

2/26/68, \$6.44, payable to Futura Books

2/26/68, \$9.98, payable to Tiffany Enterprises

C. M. Hedgpeth, Los Angeles, advised that an individual identifying himself as Eric Galt telephonically inquired as to Hedgpeth's

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mail forwarding service and Hedgpeth mailed literature to him at the St. Francis Hotel. Galt returned \$3.00 for mail forwarding service during February, 1968, but no mail was received for Galt. He had requested that any mail be forwarded to the St. Francis Hotel.

At Futura Books, Torrance, California, it was determined that an order was received, 2/27/68, from Eric Galt for a book entitled, "The Sexually Responsive Woman." This firm has been the subject of prior Bureau investigations for interstate transportation of obscene matter.

No record of Galt could be found at Tiffany Enterprises, West Los Angeles. This firm deals in books concerning fetishes, bondage and flagellation.

Xavier Von Koss is the owner of American Business Consultants, Long Beach, California, from whom Galt once stated he was taking a course. Von Koss claims to be a "master" hypnotist and previously stated he maintains no records and could not recall Galt. Von Koss now advises he has found a notation showing that Eric E. Galt was in his office, 1/4/68, at 2 p. m. for a hypnotic session that lasted forty-five minutes.

Legat Ottawa furnished the following information. The room clerk who formerly worked at 2100 Rue Notre Dame Est, Montreal, Canada, Province of Quebec, has been located in Windsor, Ontario. His name is Quintel. He recalls Eric Galt and states he can identify him. He indicates that drawings appearing recently in the Canadian press do not look like Galt.

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Jimmie Garner, manager of the hippie rooming house in Atlanta where Galt roomed from 3/24/68 to 4/5/68, selected Galt's photograph without hesitation from a group of nine photographs and said, "This is the best I've seen. If this isn't Galt, it sure looks like him."

Continuing investigation at Puerto Vallarta, Jalisco, Mexico, where Galt has been placed from 10/19/67 to 11/13/67, indicates that Galt spent the night of 11/6/67 with a woman tentatively identified as Alicia or Elisa Arellano Torres, last known to reside at Contreras Medellin 77, Guadalajara, Jalisco. Efforts are being made to have her located and interviewed.

A local complaint charging Galt with murder was reportedly filed at Memphis, 4/17/68, after Federal process was obtained at Birmingham.

ACTION:

Intensive investigation is continuing throughout the field to effect the apprehension of Galt.

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ACTION TO BE TAKEN:

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Director, FBI

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There is attached for preparation and distribution a draft of a Wanted Flyer concerning Eric Starvo Galt. This is the individual who is being sought in connection with the murder of Martin Luther King, Jr., on April 4, 1968, in Memphis, Tennessee.

Based on our investigation a Federal warrant has been issued at Birmingham, Alabama, on April 17, 1968, charging Galt with conspiring to interfere with the constitutional rights of a citizen (Title 18, U. S. Code, Section 241).

One hundred copies of the Wanted Flyer should be sent to all offices air mail special delivery. Regular allotments should be forwarded air mail.

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Evans and his wife are extremely upset over the interviews by the press. Pearson's man and "Newsweek" are allegedly still "nosing around in Los Angeles."

Galt was registered at Hotel Rio, Puerto Vallarta, Jalisco, Mexico, 10/19/67 to 11/6/67. It has now been determined he registered at the Tropicana Hotel, Puerto Vallarta, 11/7/67 and checked out 11/13/67. Luis Garcia, bartender at Hotel Ocena, Puerto Vallarta, states he was acquainted with Galt for a few days in Puerto Vallarta. Galt told Garcia he had been in the Army for nine years serving as a driver or chauffeur but had not previously been out of the United States. Garcia said he terminated his brief association with Galt when Galt indicated an interest in obtaining marijuana.

An office of the Piedmont Laundry is just around the corner from the Atlanta rooming house used by Galt. Laundry records show Eric Galt, no address given, brought in nine laundry items and three dry cleaning items between 9 a.m. and 10 a.m. on 4/1/68. All items were picked up by the customer on 4/5/68 shortly after 9 a.m. The dry cleaning items included a black check sport coat, gray trousers and a black tie with tan and brown stripes. The laundry was marked EGC 83 with an indelible pencil. The dry cleaning was marked with a removable tag showing a figure 8 over the number 755. It is noted Galt also had a necktie dry cleaned while in Los Angeles.

Richard Gonzalez, fellow bartending student from 1/19/68 to 3/2/68, says Galt told him he had been in Mexico for about three years, exact time not stated. He said he liked Mexico and planned to return. Gonzalez stated he understood from Galt that he planned to go to Birmingham after graduating from bartending school to visit a brother for two weeks. Galt indicated to Gonzalez he had been a chef in the Merchant Marines on a seagoing vessel. He never mentioned any other type of employment or members of his family. Gonzalez said Galt was right-handed when mixing drinks.

Thomas Lau, director of the bartending school, said that Galt can speak only a few words of Spanish. He now recalls Galt mentioned he had lived in Puerto Vallarta, Mexico, for about three years.

Sharon Rhoads, part time dancing instructor at the dancing school at Long Beach, California, which has previously been mentioned,

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recalled giving instructions to Galt between December, 1967, and the middle of February, 1968. She describes him as an introvert, very shy with crowds and with women, and said he would not talk about his past or background. She believed Galt had visited a brother in Louisiana in January, 1968, and he said he had formerly owned a bar in Mexico but sold it shortly before coming to Los Angeles. She states that Galt signed his name left-handed and had "pretty" blue eyes.

When enrolling in bartending school at Los Angeles, 1/19/68, Galt showed employment as "Mr. Willard," 751 South Figueroa Street, Los Angeles. No record of either Willard or Galt can be located at this address.

ACTION:

All phases of this investigation are continuing to receive top priority attention.



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ASAC Mason G. Working, Kansas City Office, has advised that they have located a birth record for one James Eugene Gault, born 7-20-31, at St. Louis, Missouri. He requested a check of Identification Division files for any prints.

Ford in the Identification Division advised they have a record on James Eugene Gault, FBI # 171 119 C, who was born on 7-20-31, in St. Louis, Missouri, is 73 inches tall, has brown eyes and brown hair, weighs 168, and has slender build.

He has one arrest on 10-6-65, by Sheriff's Office, Poplar Bluff, Missouri, petty larceny, no disposition given. This individual was fingerprinted as an applicant to carry arms on 2-14-56, by St. Louis Police Department. He was fingerprinted by Civil Service Commission at VA Hospital, Jefferson Barracks, Missouri, as applicant for job as plumber-purchase and hire-WAE No. 958-161-55. His address at that time was given 9957 Lark Street, Lemay, Missouri.

There is no photo in file.

ACTION:

Latent Fingerprint Section was requested to compare James Eugene Gault's fingerprints with unidentified latents this case.

Above information from the Identification Division record was furnished to Security Patrol Clerk Gene Thomeczek, Kansas City Office, per request ASAC Working.

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Bruder, Latent Fingerprint Section, advised Gault's prints compared with unidentified latents this case and are not identical. Kansas City Office advised.

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