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1048AM 4-13-68 TO DIRECTOR, ALBANY AND MEMPHIS
FROM CINCINNATI (157-1893)

MURKIN, CIVIL RIGHTS, OO MEMPHIS

RE ALBANY TEL APRIL EIGHT LAST, SIX ZERO EIGHT P.M. AND
NEW YORK TEL APRIL TEN LAST.

INITIAL INVESTIGATION SWAN CLEANERS, EIGHT ZERO FOUR MT.
VERNON AVENUE, DETERMIED THAT THERMOSEAL TYPE MARKING MACHINE
MANUFACTURED BY TEXTILE MARKING MACHE COMPANY, SYRACUSE, NEW
YORK, TRADED NINE YEARS AGO TO PINNACLE PRODUCTS CORPORATION,
BLAUVELT, NEW YORK, FOR POLYMARK TYPE MARKING MACHINE.

INVESTIGATION BY NEW YORK OFFICE AT PINNACLE DETERMINED
THAT THEY DID SELL POLYMARK MACHINES TO SWAN BUT DID NOT TAKE IN
TRADE THE THERMOSEAL MACHINE.

RECHECK AT SWAN DETERMINED THAT SWAN IN FACT HAD FIVE
THERMOSEAL MACHMANUFACTURED BY TEXTILE AND THAT THESE
MACHINES WERE SOLD BACK TO TEXTILE IN NINETEEN SIXTY ONE FOR
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Rea *MR*

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TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS EACH. MACHINES WERE HELD AT COLUMBUS BY SWAN AT REQUEST OF TEXTILE AFTER TEXTILE REPURCHASED AND WERE SHIPPED BY SWAN FROM COLUMBUS TO PURCHASERS LOCATED BY TEXTILE.

TWO MACHINES SHIPPED MAY THIRTEEN, NINETEEN SIXTY ONE; TWO ON MAY NINE, NINETEEN SIXTY ONE; AND THE LAST ON JUNE FOURTEEN, NINETEEN SIXTY ONE. SWAN DOES NOT HAVE ANY RECORDS OF PERSONS TO WHOM SHIPMENTS MADE NOR DO THEY HAVE ANY SERIAL NUMBERS OR OTHER RECORDS OF THESE MACHINES.

ALBANY AT SYRACUSE, NEW YORK, RECONTACT TEXTILE TO DETERMINE TO WHOM THEY SOLD THE FIVE MACHINES THAT WERE REPURCHASED FROM SWAN CLEANERS.

AM COPY NEW YORK.

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FBI ALBANY

HOLD

CORR PAGE 1 LINE 12 TO 12 WORDS 2 & 3 SHOULD BE MACHINES MANUFACTURE

PAGE 1 PAGE 2 LINE 10 WORD IS "SOLD"

ACK PLS

JH

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4/12/68

AIR TEL

~~URGENT~~ AIR MAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
(ATTENTION: FBI LABORATORY)

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FROM: SAC, ALBANY (44-493) (P)

SUBJECT: MURKIN
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(OO: MEMPHIS)

Re Albany telephone call to Bureau, 4/11/68,
Albany teletype to Bureau, 4/11/68, and Los Angeles teletype
to Bureau, 4/12/68.

Enclosed for FBI Laboratory are the following:

1. Six (6) sets of type used in Thermo Seal machines
consisting of letters and numbers as follows:

a. One (1) set of regular 18 point type - letters,
one (1) set of narrow 18 point type - letters,
one (1) set of narrow 15 point type - letters.

b. One (1) set of regular 18 point type - numbers,
one (1) set of regular 15 point type - numbers,
one (1) set of narrow 15 point type - numbers.

2. Strip of $\frac{1}{4}$ " Thermo Seal tape, Lot #5L7.

Above items made available on 4/12/68 by Mr. DONALD
BROTON, Textile Marking Machine Co., Syracuse, N. Y., to SA
ROBERT S. REA. He requested that the sets of type be returned
to the company when of no further use. The tape can be retained
or otherwise disposed of by the laboratory.

4- Bureau (Encl. 7) (Attention: FBI Laboratory) (Hand Carried)

2- Memphis (44-1987)

1- Los Angeles (Info)

2- Albany

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Directly from Syracuse
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For the information of the Laboratory, Mr. BROTON advised that the Thermo Seal tape, Lot #5L7, was made in November or December, 1967, but their quality control does not show the number of warp yarns in the cloth. He further noted that the face of the tape has a whitish cast because it is coated with a starch-type material. He stated the true color appearing on the garments recovered in instant case would more closely resemble the color of the underside of the tape.

It is noted that Lot #5L7 was found to be the lot number of tape in the possession of Home Service Laundry and Dry Cleaning, 5280 Hollywood Boulevard, Hollywood, California, as furnished to Albany Office by Los Angeles Office by telephone call on 4/11/68.

The Laboratory is requested to compare the enclosed specimen of tape with the tape on the garments recovered immediately after the slaying at Memphis for identification of the tape.

The sets of type are furnished to the Laboratory for assistance in examinations being on the laundry marks.

This evidence is being forwarded by Eastern Airlines, Flight 371, from Syracuse to Washington, D. C., on 4/12/68. Arrangements for pick-up in Washington are being made directly with WFO.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC (137-1430)

DATE: 4/12/68

FROM : SA EDWARD F. NASSIF

☒ CI ☐ SI ☐ R (Prob)

☐ PCI ☐ PSI ☐ R

SUBJECT: AL 3034-C

Dates of Contact	
4/5/68, 4/11/68	
Titles and File #s on which contacted	
Rensselaer County GIIF	62-578
MURKIN	44-493
Purpose and results of contact	
<input type="checkbox"/> NEGATIVE	62-578
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> POSITIVE	
<input type="checkbox"/> STATISTIC	
<p>On 4/5/68, CI advised that he has no further information concerning the marijuana allegedly being sold at Patricelli's Pizzeria, except he heard that the owner of this place was recently arrested for an ABC violation for selling alcoholic beverages to minors.</p> <p>CI advised that JOE MANORY, one of the owners of Manory's Restaurant on Congress Street, along with 7 or 8 other Trojans, chartered a private club on Liberty Street between Fourth Street and Fifth Avenue, Troy, NY. He stated that this club is limited to members and their friends and is used for gambling, parties and meals. He stated he heard that this club is paying some un-named city official \$25 a week to keep this club open. CI advised that Ghan's Newsroom on Congress Street is getting race results between 30 and 40 minutes after completion of the races. He</p>	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating
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said he does not know COHAN's source but will make efforts to determine it.

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On 4/11/68, CI advised he had no pertinent information regarding this matter.

Routing Slip
0-7 (Rev. 9-25)

(Copies to Offices Checked)

TO: SAC,

☒ Albany
☐ Albuquerque
☐ Anchorage
☐ Atlanta
☐ Baltimore
☐ Birmingham
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Date 4-11-68

RE: MURKIN

*Wm
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☐ 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:

Enclosed are photographs of artist conception of unknown subject in this case as described by witnesses in Birmingham and Memphis respectively.

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Under no circumstances should anyone be told this investigation is in connection with captioned matter.

c/o - send copy of each photo to R/A's having. Needs to check laundry + just after R/S.

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To: SAC, Albany

From: Director, FBI

**ASSASSINATION OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
RACIAL MATTERS**

Many offices are using above caption in communications to the Bureau concerning a variety of activities and racial incidents arising out of the killing of Martin Luther King, Jr. This is creating problems from administrative and filing standpoints and should be discontinued immediately. Captions descriptive of the activity involved should be used in accordance with instructions in the FBI Handbook, page 154h of Part III.

For example, in reporting information concerning disturbances that may have occurred in Albany the caption "Racial Disturbances Following Assassination of Martin Luther King, Jr., Albany, New York, April 9, 1968, Racial Matters" could be used.

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FBI BIRMGHAM

556 PM URGENT 4-13-68 SSP

TO DIRECTOR, FBI, LOS ANGELES, MEMPHIS AND NEW ORLEANS, ALBANY
FROM BIRMINGHAM (44-1740)

MURKIN. CR. OO: MEMPHIS

INVESTIGATION AT CONTINENTAL DANCE STUDIO, BIRMINGHAM,
ALABAMA, DISCLOSED SUSPECT ERIC GALT USES PERSONAL ADS SELECTING
DANCE STUDIOS. OWNER, CONTINENTAL DANCE STUDIO, ADVISED GALT
EXTREMELY "CRAZY" ABOUT DANCING AND WOULD FREQUENT DANCE STUDIOS WHERE
LESSONS WOULD BE VERY INEXPENSIVE. OWNER, CONTINENTAL DANCE STUDIOS,
IS OF OPINION GALT WOULD FREQUENT CHEAP DANCE STUDIOS TO OBTAIN
DANCE INSTRUCTIONS.

ALBANY, NEW ORLEANS AND LOS ANGELES, IF NOT ALREADY DONE, WILL
CONTACT DANCE STUDIOS WHERE DANCE LESSONS CAN BE OBTAINED AT VERY
LOW COST.

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*Call from Birmingham at 8:27 P.
to disregard - TT was meant for
Atlanta. ES*

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FBI JACKSONVILLE

1:12 PM EST URGENT 4/14/68 VED

TO: BUREAU (44-38861), ALBANY (44-493), AND MEMPHIS (44-1987).

FROM: JACKSONVILLE (44-769)

MURKIN

FRANK GURNEY, SHELL STATION, FORT CAROLINE ROAD, JACKSONVILLE ADVISED HE OPENED STATION EIGHT AM THIS DATE. INDIVIDUAL AT TIME WAS SLEEPING IN CAR WHICH HAD FLAT TIRE AND IT APPEARED HE HAD DRIVEN ABOUT TEN MILES ON THE FLAT. GURNEY CHANGED TIRE AND NOTED DARK BROWN ATTACHE CASE AND CARDBOARD FILE IN TRUNK. INDIVIDUAL SAID HE WAS FROM NEW YORK CITY BUT LIVED IN FLORIDA ELEVEN MONTHS OF YEAR. HE HAD BEEN DRINKING AND WAS LOST. APPEARED TO HAVE SUBSTANTIAL AMOUNT OF MONEY IN WALLET. LEFT STATION GOING TOWARD JACKSONVILLE AFTER RECEIVING DIRECTIONS.

GURNEY SAID HE NOTICED A SIMILARITY BETWEEN THIS INDIVIDUAL AND ARTIST SKETCH WHICH APPEARED IN JACKSONVILLE NEWSPAPER.

HE DESCRIBED INDIVIDUAL AS WHITE MALE AGE THIRTY EIGHT TO FORTY, FIVE FEET EIGHT TO NINE INCHES, ONE FIFTY POUNDS, EYES UNKNOWN, SANDY HAIR, FAIR COMPLEXION, SLENDER BUILD, POINTED FEATURES, DRESSED IN DARK SUIT, WHITE SHIRT AND TIE, NO HAT.

CAR DESCRIBED AS NINETEEN SIXTY FIVE OR SIX DARK BLUE OR BLACK CHRYSLER NEWPORT BEARING NEW YORK LICENSE Q A TWO FIVE FIVE NINE.

ALBANY IDENTIFY OWNER AND ELIMINATE AS POSSIBLY IDENTICAL SUSPECTS THIS MATTER.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC (44-493)

FROM : SA RICHARD F. KEEFE

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 4/11/68

At 3:30 PM, 4/11/68, Investigator THOMAS FOGGERTY, NYSP, Sidney, NY, telephonically advised that an un-named truck driver had contacted his office earlier this date, stating he had observed an individual who resembled the artist's conception of the unknown subject in captioned matter. The driver had said the individual he observed was driving a red car bearing Indiana license plates and was heading in a westerly direction on Route 17, east of Binghamton, NY.

Investigator FOGGERTY continued by stating that subsequently a state trooper of that command stopped a 1962 F-85 Oldsmobile, maroon, bearing Indiana license plate 51A3729. Inquiry by the trooper determined the driver of the car to be PAUL G. MISCHLER, 122 Church Street, Loogootee, Indiana, who was born on [redacted] Investigator FOGGERTY advised that the trooper noted a young male passenger occupied the car with MISCHLER but this individual's name was not obtained. The trooper was told by MISCHLER that both occupants were enroute to Binghamton, implying they attended a school in that city and both appeared to the trooper to be college-age males. However, the trooper did not determine the identity of any school that they may have attended.

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645PM URGENT 4/14/68 GJM

TO ALL CONTINENTAL OFFICES
FROM DIRECTOR 44-38861 3P

MURKIN.

ERIC STARVO GALT, THE PRINCIPAL SUSPECT, HAS BEEN REPORTED AS HAVING ATTENDED DANCING SCHOOLS IN BIRMINGHAM, NEW ORLEANS AND CALIFORNIA. ALL OFFICES SHOULD IMMEDIATELY CHECK ALL DANCING SCHOOLS IN YOUR TERRITORIES FOR ANY RECORD OF PRIOR ATTENDANCE AT ANY SUCH SCHOOLS BY GALT AND RUN OUT ANY LEADS DEVELOPED. GALT REPORTEDLY SIGNED UP FOR A ONE YEAR DANCING COURSE IN NEW ORLEANS IN NINETEEN SIXTYFOUR; TOOK DANCING LESSONS FOR SEVERAL WEEKS IN BIRMINGHAM BEGINNING IN SEPTEMBER NINETEEN SIXTYSEVEN; AND TOOK A FOUR HUNDRED NINETYNINE DOLLAR DANCE COURSE FROM DECEMBER NINETEEN SIXTYSEVEN TO FEBRUARY NINETEEN SIXTYEIGHT AT LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA.

ONE DANCE INSTRUCTOR HAS STAT THAT GALT IS "CRAZY" ABOUT DANCING BUT A POOR DANCER AND DIFFICULT TO TEACH
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BECAUSE HE DOES NOT REMEMBER INSTRUCTIONS. HE WAS DESCRIBED AS AN INTROVERT WHO VOLUNTEERS NO INFORMATION AND REPLIES WITH YES OR NO ANSWERS WHEN ASKED; DID NOT MINGLE WITH OTHER STUDENTS AND MADE NO EFFORTS TO MAKE FRIENDS OR CONVERSE WITH ANYONE.

ANOTHER DANCE INSTRUCTOR STATED GALT IS A GOOD DANCER, DISPLAYED SLIGHT SOUTHERN ACCENT, RURAL CHARACTERISTICS OF LANGUAGE AND DICTION, TEETH STRAIGHT AND CLEAN, FINGERNAILS CLEAN AND NEATLY TRIMMED;; WORE GOLD RING WITH DARK STONE; ALWAYS NEATLY DRESSED WITH SUIT AND SHINY SLIP ON TYPE BLACK ALLIGATOR SHOES WITH THIN SOLES, BLACK HOSE AND WORE TIE TACK AND CUFF LINKS. SMOKED FILTER CIGARETTES AND HAD NERVOUS HABIT OF OCCASIONALLY PULLING AT EAR LOBE. OWNER OF STUDIO STATES GALT SPOKE OF ALABAMA, SAID HE WAS A MERCHANT SEAMAN; SPOKE OF BEING IN MEXICO BUT DID NOT SPEAK SPANISH AND SPOKE ENGLISH BADLY; WAS SOCIALLY INEPT, AN INTROVERT AND A POOR DANCER BECAUSE HE WOULD NOT LOOSEN UP. SMILED RARELY AND WHEN HE DID IT WAS A NERVOUS CROOKED SMILE; PAID CASH FOR LESSONS TAKING A WAD OF BILLS FROM POCKET.

ERIC STARVO GALT DESCRIBED AS FIVE FEET ELEVEN INCHES, ONE HUNDRED SEVENTYFIVE POUNDS, BLUE EYES, BROWN HAIR, BORN JULY TWENTY THIRTYONE, PLACE NOT GIVEN.

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GALT MAY HAVE USED THE NAME HARVEY LOWMYER OR JOHN WILLARD OR ANY VARIATION OF THESE TWO NAMES OR ANY OTHER NAME. IN CONNECTION WITH ANY INQUIRIES, NO INDICATION SHOULD BE GIVEN INQUIRIES ARE IN CONNECTION WITH CAPTIONED CASE.

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FBI ALBANY

BS...WMG

FBI BOSTON

BU...PJF

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NH...RJC

FBI NEW HAVEN

FBI

Date: 4/12/68

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plain text or code)

Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL
(Priority or Method of Mailing)

TO: SAC, ALBANY
FROM: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987) P
RE: MURKIN

In an effort to assist in handling administratively the reams of material being submitted to Memphis Division as office of origin, it is requested all offices in submission of messages use caption which will aid in handling paper. For example, should your office have investigation to report in connection with a specific suspect it would aid if, before entering into the body of text, you would utilize sub-heading after reference, such as "SUSPECT - JOHN ALLEN DOE," or another appropriate caption might be "LAUNDRY CHECKS."

Suitable sub-headings on communications will greatly facilitate the handling of material. Please comply.

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1 MEMPHIS

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Rea *cc* *Levan*

Approved: *RGJ* Sent _____ M Per _____
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Date: APRIL 12, 1968

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL
(Priority)TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
ATTENTION: FBI LABORATORY

FROM: SAC, JACKSON (157-9586) (P)

MURKIN
(OO: MEMPHIS)Re Jackson airtel 4/10/68 and Albany airtel
4/10/68.RE THERMO-SEAL MACHINES MANUFACTURED BY
TEXTILE MARKING MACHINE CO., SYRACUSE, NEW YORK

Enclosed for the Bureau are six (6) enclosures
setting forth samples of tape markings obtained from
laundries within the State of Mississippi. They are
as follows:

1. RAYMOND L. WILSON, Supervisor of Maintenance,
Ellisville State School, Ellisville, Mississippi, made
available tape strips from Thermo-Seal temporary identifi-
cation machine model number H5K2, serial number 31214 and
31215. He said these machines were formerly used by

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 - ① - Albany (44-493) (Info)
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Rea *ME*

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Mississippi State University, State College, Miss. He stated they have never used "02B-6". There is no one employed at the school named JOHN WILLARD, HARVEY LOWMEYER or HARVEY LOWMYER, or ERIC STARVO GALT. No employees were missing from work on 3/29-30/68 or 4/3-4/68.

2. Several strips of laundry markings from a Poly Mark machine, Crescent Laundry, Hattiesburg, Miss., dated 4/10/68.

3. Samples of lettering and tape strips placed on cloth from Long's Laundry and Cleaners, Tupelo, Miss., Thermo-Seal marking machine serial numbers 31746 and 31728.

4. Strips on two separate cloths taken from two Poly Mark Machines at the University of Mississippi, serial number MC1247 and MC14182.

5. Five Thermo-Seal tapes which have been marked by manager "02B-6" from Thermo-Seal machine serial number 33742 located at Keesler Air Force Base Laundry, Biloxi, Miss. Tapes were obtained on 4/11/68.

6. Several tapes with lettering on cloth from Rex's Southern Cleaners, Hattiesburg, Miss., obtained from a Poly Mark machine.

The managers of the above establishments advised they do not use the lettering on the tapes as "02B-6" or "D2B-6". They are not familiar with these markings.

JN 157-9586

LEAD

AT BUREAU

The FBI Laboratory is requested to compare lettering and strips of tape enclosed with the two articles recovered at the scene of the shooting 4/4/68, a white Jockey T-shirt and checkered print undershorts, containing cloth laundry tags allegedly made by a Thermo-Seal marking machine manufactured by Textile Marking Machine Company, Syracuse, New York. Results should be immediately furnished Memphis and interested offices. The enclosures need not be returned to Jackson and may be destroyed at the Bureau if of no value.

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Date: 4/15/68

Transmit the following in PLAINTEXT
(Type in plaintext or code)Via TELETYPE*Referred*
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861) SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)
 SAC, CHARLOTTE; SAC, CINCINNATI (157-1893)
 SAC, COLUMBIA (44-299); SAC, DETROIT; SAC, NEW YORK
 (44-1609)

FROM: SAC, ALBANY (44-493)

MURKIN, CV

RE ALBANY AIRTEL APRIL ELEVEN LAST; CINCINNATI TEL TO
 BUREAU APRIL THIRTEEN LAST, COLUMBIA TEL TO BUREAU APRIL
 TWELVE LAST.

RE: LAUNDRY MARKS

FOR INFORMATION OF DETROIT, THERMO-SEAL MACHINES LISTED
 IN REFERENCED ALBANY AIRTEL SHOWN TO BE WEIN BROTHERS, ONE
 THREE FIVE ZERO ZERO WEST MC NICHOLS, DETROIT, ARE NO LONGER
 LOCATED AT THAT ADDRESS ACCORDING TO RECORDS OF TEXTILE
 MARKING MACHINE COMPANY, SYRACUSE. IT WAS DETERMINED FROM
 FURTHER CHECK OF RECORDS THAT JACK WEIN, WHO FORMERLY RESIDED

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AT ONE FIVE TWO THREE ONE MILLER, OAK PARK, MICHIGAN, WAS IN BUSINESS AT THAT LOCATION WITH MARSHALL STILLMAN, ONE EIGHT NINE FOUR SEVEN GOLDWIN, SOUTHFIELD, MICHIGAN, AND WEIN, WHO WAS ALLEGEDLY A HOODLUM, REMOVED ALL MACHINERY AND RECORDS FROM THAT LOCATION AND DISAPPEARED. WEIN WAS ALLEGEDLY THE SUBJECT OF FRAUD INVESTIGATION IN DETROIT AND MAY HAVE BEEN SUBJECT OF BANKRUPTCY INVESTIGATION BY BUREAU.

FOR THE INFO OF CINCINNATI AND NEW YORK, TEXTILE MARKING MACHINE COMPANY, SYRACUSE, ADVISED THAT THE COMPANY'S CORRESPONDENCE AND INVOICE RECORDS PRIOR TO NINETEEN SIXTYTWO HAVE BEEN DESTROYED; THEY ARE THEREFORE UNABLE TO LOCATE ANY RECORD REGARDING MACHINES LOCATED AT SWAN CLEANERS, COLUMBUS, OHIO, AS OF SIXTYONE. THEY STATED THAT THEY WOULD NOT HAVE PAID THIS COMPANY FOR THE MACHINES UNDER CIRCUMSTANCES THAT COMPANY WAS PURCHASING EQUIPMENT OF A COMPETITOR. COMPANY STATES THIS HAS NEVER BEEN DONE. THEY ADVISED THAT MACHINES

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**WERE PROBABLY SOLD BY POLY-MARK AS POLY-MARK EQUIPMENT WAS
INSTALLED.**

**FOR INFO OF NEW YORK, TEXTILE MARKING MACHINE COMPANY
ADVISED THAT POLY-MARK IS KNOWN TO HAVE TAKEN IN TRADE AT
LEAST SEVENTY FIVE OR EIGHTY THERMO-SEAL MACHINES. THEY
ADVISED THAT POLY-MARK SHOULD HAVE RECORDS OF MANY MORE THAN
FOUR MACHINES SINCE POLY-MARK CONSTANTLY ADVERTISES IN THE
TRADE JOURNALS THAT THEY HAVE NUMEROUS USED THERMO-SEAL
MACHINES FOR SALE. THEY NOTED THAT IT IS REQUIRED THAT THEY
MAINTAIN RECORDS FOR FIVE YEARS AND THAT IT WOULD BE REQUIRED
THAT THEY MAINTAIN RECORDS OF SALES OF MACHINES WHETHER
NEW OR USED FOR AT LEAST THAT PERIOD OF TIME.**

**FOR INFO OF COLUMBIA AND CHARLOTTE, THE TAPE ON INSTANT
GARMENTS HAS BEEN DEFINITELY IDENTIFIED AS BEING THERMO-SEAL
TAPE MADE BY TEXTILE MARKING MACHINE COMPANY AND PRODUCED**

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**BY A THERMO-SEAL MACHINE. THE COMPANY ADVISES THAT TAPE
IS DEFINITELY AND OBVIOUSLY DISTINGUISHABLE FROM POLY-MARK.**

**CHARLOTTE DISCONTINUE CONTACT WITH POLY-MARK REPRESENTATIVE,
EXCEPT FOR LOCATION OF THERMO-SEAL MACHINES.**

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Special Agent in Charge

FBI ALBANY

FBI CHICAGO

450 PM URGENT 4-15-68 WLR

TO DIRECTOR (44-38861) AND ALBANY, ATLANTA (44-2386) AND

MEMPHIS (44-1987)

FROM CHICAGO (44-1114) 2P

MURKIN.

RE BIRMINGHAM TELETYPE TO DIRECTOR, ET AL, APRIL TWELVE
SIXTY EIGHT.

FOR INFO ALBANY, MRS. LOUISE GALT, FAIRFIELD, ALABAMA,
MADE AVAILABLE APRIL TWELVE LAST A BOOKLET OF GALT FAMILY
GENEALOGY WHICH WAS EXAMINED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS REGARDING
NAME ERIC STARVO GALT.

BOOKLET CONTAINED GENERAL INFORMATION THAT GALT FAMILY
WENT TO BEDFORD AND CALIFORNIA. THIS INFORMATION CONTRIBUTED
BY A MARY MEARES GALT, ADDRESS UNKNOWN. MRS. LOUISE GALT ADVISED
THIS PERSON UNKNOWN TO HER AND GAVE ADDRESSES OF PERSONS WHO
MIGHT HAVE INFORMATION ABOUT GALT FAMILY IN CALIFORNIA. AMONG
THESE WAS MRS. ROGER MC ARTHUR, HINSDALE, ILLINOIS.

INVESTIGATION HINSDALE, ILLINOIS, DEVELOPED THAT MRS.
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MC ARTHUR'S HUSBAND RECENTLY DIED AND SHE MOVED TO MARLBORO, VERMONT, CARE OF GENERAL DELIVERY. SHE IS BUILDING A HOME ON EITHER A BROTHER'S OR SISTER'S PROPERTY.

ALBANY AT MARLBORO, VERMONT, CONTACT MRS. ROGER MC ARTHUR AND ASCERTAIN INFORMATION SHE MAY HAVE RE GALT FAMILY IN CALIFORNIA. NOTED THAT ERIC STARVO GALT IS SUSPECT THIS CASE DESCRIBED AS WMA, BORN JULY TWENTY, NINETEEN THIRTY ONE, FIVE FEET ELEVEN INCHES, ONE HUNDRED SIXTY POUNDS, DARK BROWN HAIR, MEDIUM COMPLEXION, NEAT DRESSER. ALSO ASCERTAIN IF ADDRESS OF MARY MEARES GALT KNOWN TO MRS. MC ARTHUR. SET OUT APPROPRIATE LEADS BASED ON INTERVIEW.

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AM COPY TO MINNEAPOLIS

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Transmit the following in PLAINTEXT
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Via TELETYPE URGENT (Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR (44-38861) AND SAC's NEW YORK, JACKSONVILLE
(44-769), MEMPHIS (44-493) 1987

FROM: SAC, ALBANY (44-493)

MURKIN

RE JACKSONVILLE TELETYPE APRIL FOURTEEN LAST. FOR
INFO OF NYO, RE TEL ADVISED THAT FRANK GURNEY, SHELL
STATION, FORT CAROLINE ROAD, JACKSONVILLE, ADVISED HE
OPENED STATION EIGHT A.M., APRIL FOURTEEN LAST. INDIVIDUAL
AT TIME WAS SLEEPING IN CAR WHICH HAD FLAT TIRE AND IT
APPEARED HE HAD DRIVEN ABOUT TEN MILES ON FLAT. GURNEY
CHANGED TIRE AND NOTED DARK BROWN ATTACHE CASE AND
CARDBOARD FILE IN TRUNK. INDIVIDUAL SAID HE WAS FROM
NEW YORK CITY BUT LIVED IN FLORIDA ELEVEN MONTHS OF YEAR.
HE HAD BEEN DRINKING AND WAS LOST. APPEARED TO HAVE
SUBSTANTIAL AMOUNT OF MONEY IN WALLET. LEFT STATION
GOING TOWARD JACKSONVILLE AFTER RECEIVING DIRECTIONS.

GURNEY SAID HE NOTICED A SIMILARITY BETWEEN THIS INDIVIDUAL AND ARTIST SKETCH WHICH APPEARED IN JACKSONVILLE

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Approved:
Special Agent in Charge

Sent ~~Jacksonville~~ ^{Memphis} ~~Memphis~~ ^{Memphis}

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HE DESCRIBED INDIVIDUAL AS WHITE MALE AGE THIRTY EIGHT TO FORTY, FIVE FEET EIGHT TO NINE INCHES, ONE FIFTY POUNDS, EYES UNKNOWN, SANDY HAIR, FAIR COMPLEXION, SLENDER BUILD, POINTED FEATURES, DRESSED IN DARK SUIT, WHITE SHIRT AND TIE, NO HAT.

CAR DESCRIBED AS NINETEEN SIXTY FIVE OR SIX DARK BLUE OR BLACK CHRYSLER NEWPORT BEARING NEW YORK LICENSE Q A TWO FIVE FIVE NINE.

DMV RECORDS, ALBANY, N.Y., REVEAL NEW YORK LICENSE Q A TWO FIVE FIVE NINE ISSUED RICHARD J. BRAND, JR., ONE ZERO SEVEN - ONE THREE ONE HUNDRED TWENTYFIFTH STREET, JAMAICA, NEW YORK, FOR NINETEEN SIXTYFOUR GREY CHRYSLER SEDAN, VIN FOUR THREE TWO SEVEN FOUR FOUR SIX NINE. BRAND, BORN EMPLOYED NYC DEPARTMENT OF SANITATION, ONE FIVE FIVE WORTH STREET, NYC, NY. VEHICLE INSURED BY ALLSTATE INSURANCE COMPANY POLICE NUMBER ZERO THREE FOUR - TWO EIGHT - THREE EIGHT ONE.

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BRAND ISSUED NYS CHAUFFEURS LICENSE NUMBER B ONE
EIGHT ZERO FIVE ZERO - ZERO SIX SEVEN FIVE TWO - ONE ONE
ONE SEVEN FOUR TWO ONE NOVEMBER TWENTYONE LAST, EXPIRING
NOVEMBER THIRTY, NINETEEN SEVENTY. APPLICATION DESCRIBES
BRAND, FIVE FEET EIGHT INCHES AND BROWN EYES.

NEW YORK WILL CONDUCT APPROPRIATE INVESTIGATION
TO ELIMINATE BRAND AS POSSIBLE IDENTICAL SUSPECTS IN
THIS MATTER. P

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

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC (170-32)

DATE: 4/12/68

FROM : SA Thomas C. Kelly

☐ CI ☐ SI ☒ R (Prob)

☐ PCI ☐ PSI ☐ R

SUBJECT: James Jenkins, Jr.

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Dates of Contact <u>4/12/68</u>		
Titles and File #s on which contacted <u>MURKIN</u> <u>44-493</u>		
Purpose and results of contact <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NEGATIVE <input type="checkbox"/> POSITIVE <input type="checkbox"/> STATISTIC <u>Informant had no info. re;</u> <u>King assassination</u>		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating <u>V. G.</u>	Coverage <u>Racial</u>
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Airmail

TO: SAC, Indianapolis
FROM: SAC, Albany (44-493)
SUBJECT: MURKIN

On 4/15/68, at 10:45 AM, RAY MC GAUGHEY, Truck Driver for Safeway Truck Lines, South Bend, Indiana, who resides at 713-1 Imperial Road, Valparaiso, Indiana, telephonically advised the Albany FBI Office that he saw a man whom he thought resembled KING's assassin based on the drawing made of KING's killer which has appeared in various newspapers.

MC GAUGHEY stated that approximately one week ago between 10:00 and 10:30 AM, he saw a white male depart from a bank, name unknown, which is located at the intersection of Route 6 and Mcool Road, Valparaiso, Indiana. MC GAUGHEY described unsub as being between 5'11" and 6'1" tall, weighing between 190 and 195 lbs., and 25-27 years old. He had sandy hair and was wearing light trousers and a small checkered shirt. MC GAUGHEY could not tell what color the shirt was. He stated that the shirt sleeves were rolled above his wrists and that unsub was carrying a small brown envelope.

MC GAUGHEY further advised that unsub was alone and that he got into a white, late model Mustang. He stated that it had Indiana License with the first two numbers being 64. He stated that two of the other numbers were 22 and that another number was 5 but that he was not certain whether the 5 was the third number or the number after the digits 22. MC GAUGHEY stated that the Mustang was parked on the north side of the bank at the west end.

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He stated he was parked in his truck at the west end of the bank approximately 75 feet from the Mustang. MC GAUGHEY further stated that JIM (LNU) was with him but that he could easily find out JIM's last name if it were necessary.

MC GAUGHEY stated that he plans to be in Chicago, Illinois, this coming Wednesday morning and that he can be contacted by getting in touch with Carlson Trucking, 3840 South Laramie Street, Chicago, Illinois. He stated that Safeway Truck Lines leases their equipment from Carlson.

LEAD:

INDIANAPOLIS DIVISION

AT VALPARAISO, INDIANA

Attempt to determine owner of above described white Mustang and interview employees at the bank located at the intersection of Route 6 and Mcool Road, in an attempt to ascertain identity of unsub.

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Memphis Lifts Curfew; Killer Hunt Expanded

By BILL JOHNSON

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (AP) —

The curfew which was dropped over Memphis for six nights after Dr. Martin Luther King's assassination was lifted Wednesday, as federal authorities expanded the search for his killer.

The development came as authorities looked into the possibility of unauthorized broadcasts on police radio frequencies which may have thrown authorities off the killer's trail immediately after the slaying.

Meanwhile, curfews were relaxed in Nashville and Chattanooga, which also had had racial outbursts following King's death—and the state tried to return to normal.

Frank C. Holloman, the city's police director, confirmed he is investigating what seemed to be false radio reports on the police frequency. These told of an alleged police chase of a White Mustang and a Blue Pontiac through North Memphis. A White Mustang reportedly had been seen leaving the area of the slaying.

But Lt. R. W. Bradshaw, who ~~operates~~ the police car from which the radio reports supposedly came, said he did not broadcast them. He and Holloman declined further comment.

Local officers say the search for the assassin is in the hands of federal authorities. The search for a possible suspect spread for a time to Mexico, but officials later said their information had been checked out and the man they were looking for apparently had nothing to do with the slaying.

Atty. Gen. Ramsey Clark had said shortly after King was struck down at a local motel they had a definite suspect—"a man on the run." But as the days dragged on, it became apparent the search had settled down to the routine sifting of clues and leads.

As the search continued, negotiators met with President Johnson's own mediator again Wednesday in an effort to resolve the garbage workers strike, the reason King had come to Memphis. They were reported near settlement when they recessed about mid-day.

"They (negotiators) have asked for some information," said Mayor Henry Loeb, who led the city's negotiating team. "As soon as it is available, we'll go back into session."

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SKETCH OF SUSPECTED ASSASSIN—This sketch is said to resemble the man wanted for the murder of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. It has been distributed to Mexican Police following speculation that the assassin may have fled to Mexico. The drawing is the work of Mexico City Police Headquarters Artist Sergio Jaubert who worked from information supplied by the FBI. (UPI Telephoto)

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King Probe Checks on Second Car

By JAY BOWLES

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (AP) — The presence of a second white Mustang near the doorway which police say the slayer of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. used to escape gave rise today to published reports that it may have been the getaway car.

The Memphis Commercial Appeal said the car with Arkansas tags and a similar vehicle, parked a short distance north, both left the scene within 15 minutes after King was fatally shot a week ago.

Both vehicles were within 100 feet of the doorway to the second-floor rooming house where police said the assassin waited and shot King as he stood on the balcony of a motel across a rear street.

The killer was believed to have walked out of the Main house, turned south and dropped the murder weapon in front of a business firm next door.

Guy Canipe, owner of the firm, said he saw the young white man drop the package which contained the gun, but did not see his face.

The Commercial Appeal speculated that the man then walked a few steps farther along, got into the dirty white Mustang with Arkansas tags and sped away.

The second Mustang, parked north of the rooming house entrance, also left the scene near the time of the shooting.

Police said they would investigate reports that a supposed police chase in northeast Memphis — eight miles from the scene — 30 minutes after the shooting may have been a decoy to allow the killer to escape.

A recording of the police radio dispatcher's transmissions showed seven calls in 12 minutes from a lieutenant's car in the northeast section of the city detailing the chase.

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FBI Revokes Pickup On King Suspect

MIAMI, Fla. (AP) — The FBI distributed a teletype pickup order to Florida police Thursday for Eric Starvo Galt, then withdrew the message four hours later because it had been released by mistake.

The message gave a description for Galt matching the description they circulated for the killer of Martin Luther King and said he was driving a white Mustang similar to that believed driven by King's assassin.

When asked by The Associated Press if they were releasing

the identity of the suspect in the King murder, FBI Special Agent John Hanlon said, "I cannot comment."

Hanlon issued a bulletin on the police teletypes about 9:35 p.m. withdrawing the message.

The original message, signed by Special Agent Charles Bell, described Galt as a white man, born July 20, 1931, about 5'11", 175 pounds, with blue eyes and brown hair.

The message said Galt was driving a white Mustang with 1968 Alabama license tags, 1-38993.

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'FBI Cancels Request to Find Mystery Man in King Slaying

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MEMPHIS, Tenn. (AP) — The FBI issued, then withdrew, a request that Florida police help locate Eric Starvo Galt, a white man, as the investigation of the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. entered its second week.

Federal agents refused to say why they were seeking Galt, whose last known address was Birmingham, Ala.

The bulletin distributed Thursday on the statewide police teletype network in Florida said Galt was driving a white Mustang. Witnesses in Memphis told investigators earlier they saw a man in a white Mustang drive away from the rooming house from which King was shot April 4.

A source in the Dade County Public Safety Department in Miami said the FBI bulletin began: "Reference locate and notify no warrant issued Eric Starvo Galt," then described Galt and the Mustang. The message concluded: "If located notify Agent Charles Bell FBI Miami."

"This meant they wanted him spotted, not picked up," the Miami source said. It was reported

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originally that a pickup order had been issued.

The FBI in Miami refused any comment.

At about the same time the request was sent in Florida, federal agents in Atlanta impounded a white Mustang that had been parked since last Friday at a public housing project near the Georgia state capitol.

The message, withdrawn with the explanation that it was released by mistake, described Galt as a white male, 36 years old, about 5-foot-11 and 175 pounds with blue eyes and brown hair.

This roughly matched the description circulated by federal authorities the night of King's slaying.

Special Agent John Hanlon of the Miami FBI office, who withdrew the request about four hours after it was issued, said: "I cannot comment," when asked for further details.

The FBI in Memphis and Atlanta also refused to discuss the

developments. In Washington, an aide said Atty. Gen. Ramsey Clark would have no comment.

Clark said last weekend that agents were on the trail of "one man on the run..." He said investigators had a name but "whether it proves to be the right name remains to be seen."

A man who registered at the rooming house, from which King apparently was shot, registered under the name of John Willard, police said.

The Florida teletype message said Galt was last seen driving a white 1966 Mustang hardtop, Alabama license 1-38993. Birmingham police said this tag had been issued to Eric S. Galt, 2608 Highland Ave., Birmingham.

In Atlanta, the residents who first told police about the abandoned white Mustang said the car bore the same Alabama license as given out by the FBI and bore two stickers which said "Tourista." Earlier reports indicated the investigation had spread to Mexico.

"The FBI was all over the place," before the car was impounded, an Atlanta witness said. He said the vehicle was towed away between 5:15 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. Thursday—about the time the Florida teletype message was sent.

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Paper Says Second Car Linked To King Slaying

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The killer was believed to have walked out of the Main Street entrance to the rooming house, turned south and dropped the murder weapon in front of a business firm next door.

Saw Young Man

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Police said they would investigate reports that a supposed police chase in northeast Memphis—eight miles from the scene—30 minutes after the shooting may have been a decoy to allow the killer to escape.

Denies Radio Calls

A recording of the police radio dispatcher's transmissions showed seven calls in 12 minutes from a lieutenant's car in the northeast section of the city detailing the case.

The lieutenant said Tuesday he did not make the calls. This led to speculation that someone other than police may have sent the calls on the police frequency to draw officers away from the escape route.

The Mississippi state line is about 10 miles directly south of the shooting scene, and the bridge leading to Arkansas is about two miles southwest of King's motel.

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FBI on Trail Of Seaman In King Case

ATLANTA (UPI)—FBI agents investigating the sniper-slaying of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. have been on the trail of Eric Starvo Galt, listed as an unemployed merchant mariner, for nearly a week, United Press International learned Friday.

Galt's name first surged into the headlines Thursday night when a white Mustang auto, registered to him and resembling one that reportedly sped from the King assassination scene, was found parked in an Atlanta apartment complex.

No warrant has been issued for Galt's arrest, but it was learned that the FBI in Miami had issued—and then for unexplained reasons withdrew—a "locate and notify" bulletin on Galt Thursday.

The Mustang registered to Galt carried Alabama license number 1-38993. A check with Alabama authorities established Galt's address as a rooming-house at 2608 Highland Ave. in Birmingham, but residents, while recalling Galt, said they had not seen him since November.

Lists Occupation

In obtaining his driver's license in 1967, Galt listed his occupation as an unemployed merchant mariner.

The FBI replied with a blanket "no comment" to all questions concerning the King investigation, but persons at the Birmingham roominghouse said agents were asking "plenty" of questions about Galt last week.

This was four or five full days before the Mustang was located in Atlanta.

The only official announcements in the King case have come from Atty. Gen. Ramsey Clark, who was sent to Memphis by President Johnson to help with the investigation after King was killed by a sniper while standing on a hotel balcony last Thursday.

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More Than One King Assassin?

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (AP) — Investigators appeared Saturday to be re-examining the possibility that more than one person was involved in the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

They seemed puzzled about conflicting reports on the number of getaway cars involved and about police radio transmissions detailing a high-speed chase—which apparently never took place—through northeast Memphis 30 minutes after a sniper killed King with a single rifle shot.

The FBI, conducting the most massive manhunt in its history, maintained silence on all aspects of the investigation. But Atty. Gen. Ramsey Clark issued a new statement that dropped his earlier reference to "one man on the run."

Sixteen hours after King was slain April 4, Clark said evidence "indicates a single individual" was involved. "There is no evidence of a widespread plot," he said.

In a seven-line statement issued in Washington Friday night, Clark said the FBI was devoting all its resources to the investigation, "working around the clock pursuing every lead." He said it was impossible to predict when an arrest would be made.

Another Justice Department spokesman noted it took 12 days to make arrests in the May 1963 slaying of civil rights leader Medger Evers, and more than five months in the 1964 slayings of three civil rights workers in Mississippi.

One member of Congress has criticized the FBI's probe.

Noting what he called discrepancies throughout the investigation, Rep. Charles W. Whelan Jr., R-Ohio, said the FBI should "set the record straight."

"The handling of the investigation and the efforts to apprehend the guilty person or persons hardly had been reassuring to a tense and troubled nation," Whelan said in Washington.

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TELETYPE

URGENT

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
AND SAC, JACKSONVILLE (44-769)

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (44-1609)

MURKIN; CR.

RE ALBANY TELETYPE TO BUREAU, FOUR FIFTEEN INSTANT.

ON THIS DATE RICHARD J. BRAND, JR., ONE ZERO SEVEN
DASH THIRTEEN ONE HUNDRED TWENTY FIFTH STREET, QUEENS, NEW
YORK, ADVISED HE HAS BEEN AT HIS RESIDENCE ENTIRE WEEKEND
OF FOUR THIRTEEN DASH FOURTEEN SIXTY ^{EIGHT} ~~SEVEN~~ AND HAS HAD
POSSESSION OF HIS VEHICLE, NINETEEN SIXTY FOUR GRAY CHRYSLER
NEWPORT BEARING NEW YORK LICENSE QA TWO FIVE FIVE NINE.
THIS VEHICLE WAS OBSERVED BY BUREAU AGENTS IN FRONT OF HIS
HOUSE.

BRAND DESCRIBED AS WHITE MALE, DATE OF BIRTH

[REDACTED], FIVE FEET SIX INCHES, ONE HUNDRED
EIGHTY POUNDS, HAIR BROWN, BALDING, HEAVY MUSTACHE, WEARING
GLASSES.

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BRAND ALSO ADVISED HAS NOT BEEN IN STATE OF FLORIDA
SINCE FIVE YEARS AGO.

BRAND HAS NO MATURE CHILDREN.

CONSIDER UNKNOWN SUBJECT ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC (44-493)
ATTENTION: SA JOHN S. LEVAN

FROM : IC FRANCIS M. HICKEY

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 4/11/68

Re Bureau teletype dated 4/10/68.

On 4/10/68, the following agencies were checked with negative results regarding ERIC STARVO GALT:

NYSIIS, Mr. WILLIAM DEERE, Director, Bureau of Identification, Albany, New York.

Albany Police Department, Detective PAUL WHITE.

Waterford Police Department, Chief of Police ARTHUR FREDETTE.

New York State Police, Troop G, Miss MARYANNE LAMBERT.

Ravena Police Department, Judge S. J. ALBANO.


Albany County Voter Registration Bureau, Mr. CHARLES DAWN.

Leslie's Albany Credit Bureau, Miss ANITA MYERS.

New York State DMV, drivers license section, checked by SE VINCENT H. MC PEAK.

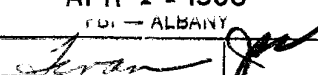
New York State DMV, vehicle registration records checked by SE VINCENT H. MC PEAK.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC 44-493

FROM : SA DONALD R. REESE

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 4/11/68

ReButel, 4/8/68.

The following investigation was conducted by the writer on 4/9/68:

A review of all City Directories and Telephone Directories for the areas within Oneida, Herkimer and Madison counties was conducted. No reference to the names HARVEY LOWMEYER or HARVEY LOWMYER, or any other similar name was found.

On 4/9/68, the following persons were contacted and advised that they had no record identifiable with HARVEY LOWMEYER or HARVEY LOWMYER in the files of their respective offices:

Mrs. ELIZABETH DE CAMILLO
Clerk, Credit Bureau of Utica

Mrs. ROSEMARY UVANNI
Credit Bureau of Rome

MARGARITE STREETER, Manager
Credit Bureau of Herkimer

CARRIE SURBURG,
Credit Bureau of Oneida

Mrs. JOSEPH ARCURI, Clerk
Oneida Co. Board of Elections
County Courthouse, Utica, N.Y.

Mr. ELMER LAVERY, Commissioner
Board of Elections, Madison Co.

Mrs. FRANCES DOLGE, Commissioner
Herkimer Co. Board of Elections

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Sgt. JOHN F. FINN, Oneida Co. SO

RICHARD FOLTZ, Sheriff, Herkimer Co.

JOHN LAHAH, Madison Co. SO

Mrs. MARY KAISER, Clerk, NYSP, Troop D, Oneida

Patrolman ANTHONY POCCIA, Records Section,
Utica, N. Y. PD

Sgt. ED CRETARO, Rome, N. Y. PD

COP G. GOLDIN, Ilion, N. Y. PD

Inspector EDWARD DOWLING, Oneida, N. Y. PD

COP JOHN JAMES, Canastota, N. Y. PD

Sgt. JOHN SPRAGUE, Herkimer, N. Y. PD

On 4/10/68, Miss BEVERLY BROOKS, Secretary, Department of Motor Vehicles, 1500 Genesee St., Utica, advised that she would not be able to determine if any record of an individual was on file in her department in NYS if only a name were provided. She said she would have to have an operator's license number or a vehicle registration number in order to determine if any record was available. She said, however, that if an individual had an operator's license or had a vehicle registered in NYS, this could be determined at the DMV, Albany, N.Y.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC 44-493

FROM : SA DONALD R. REESE

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 4/11/68

ReButel, 4/10/68.

The following investigation was conducted by the writer:

The following persons were contacted on 4/10/68 and advised they had no record identifiable with ERIC STARVO GALT in the files of their respective offices:

Mrs. ELIZABETH DE CAMILLO
Clerk, Credit Bureau of Uica

Mrs. ROSEMARY UVANNI
Credit Bureau of Rome

Mrs. MARILYN NAGLE
Credit Bureau of Herkimer

Mrs. CARRIE SURBURG
Credit Bureau of Oneida

FRANCES DOLGE, Commissioner
Herkimer Co. Board of
Elections

Mrs. JOSEPH ARCURI,
Oneida Co. Board of
Elections

Mr. ELMER LAVERY, Commissioner
Board of Elections, Madison Co.

Sgt. ED CRETARO,
Rome, N. Y. PD

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Memorandum

TO : SAC (44-493)

FROM : SA EDWARD F. NASSIF

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 4/12/68

On 4/9/68, the following individuals were contacted and advised they could locate no record in their respective files identifiable with HARVEY LOWMEYER (or LOWMYER):

ANNE ZWING,
Credit Bureau of Troy, Troy, NY;

JAMES PURCELL, Identification Bureau,
Troy PD;

Detective RAYMOND LE MAY, Cohoes PD;

Patrolman ROY MILLER, Colonie PD;

Captain ROBERT CRYAN, NYSP Headquarters;

Assistant Chief, RONALD CASTLE,
Green Island PD;

Chief JAMES CLAYDON, Menands PD;

Sergeant LE ROY COOKE, Bethlehem PD.

On 4/10/68, voter registration records for Rensselaer County were reviewed at the Rensselaer County Courthouse, Troy, NY. No name similar to HARVEY LOWMEYER (or LOWMYER), ERIC STARVO GALT or ERNEST S. GALT was found.

On 4/10/68, the following individuals advised they could locate no record in their respective files identifiable with HARVEY LOWMEYER (or LOWMYER) (not checked on 4/10/68, with agencies checked on 4/9/68 above), ERIC STARVO GALT or ERNEST S. GALT:

Identification Bureau, Troy PD;

JOSEPH WARMT, Identification Bureau,
Troy PD;



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Chief CHARLES STEWART, Rensselaer PD;
Chief NICHOLAS DE FRANCESCO, East Greenbush
PD;
Sergeant MARTIN HARRINGTON, Nassau PD;
Chief FRANK DEMICK, Hoosick Falls PD;
Sergeant WILLIAM PARIS, Watervliet PD;
Patrolman ROBERT LYNCH, Colonie PD;
Lieutenant ALPHONSE GORSKI, Cohoes PD;
Chief JAMES CLAYDON, Menands PD;
Chief JOHN FEELEY, Green Island PD;
Sergeant LE ROY COOKE, Bethlehem PD;
Senior Investigator NORMAN RIEVARD,
NYSP Headquarters;
ELEANOR HASTINGS, Credit Bureau of Troy.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC (44-493)

DATE: 4/12/68

FROM : SA TOMMY M. KILMER

SUBJECT: MURKIN

The following investigation was conducted by
SA TOMMY M. KILMER:

At Oxford, New York

GENE JOHNSON, Chief of Police, advised 4/11/68,
that his files were negative concerning the names LOWMEYER,
LOWMYER, and GALT.

At Norwich, New York

On 4/11/68, HARRIS MANWARREN, Teller, Chenango
National Bank and Trust Company, stated the records of
his company were negative regarding the names LOWMYER,
LOWMEYER, and GALT.

JOAN NUCERO, Clerk, Norwich Credit Bureau,
advised 4/11/68, that her files failed to reflect the
names LOWMEYER, LOWMYER, and GALT.

On 4/11/68, PHILIP CRIPPEN, Vice-President,
National Bank and Trust Company of Norwich, stated that
his records failed to reveal the names, LOWMEYER, LOWMYER,
or GALT.

GRACE HENDRICKS, Chief Registrar, Chenango
County Board of Elections, advised 4/11/68, that a search
of her records failed to reflect any information concerning
the names LOWMEYER, LOWMYER, or GALT.

On 4/11/68, BERNICE MC NEIL, Head Teller, Chenango
Savings and Loan Association, advised no one with the last
of LOWMEYER, LOWMYER, or GALT, has an account with her firm.

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NORMAN WEEKS, Patrolman, Norwich PD, advised 4/11/68, that a search of his files failed to reveal the names LOWMEYER, LOWMYER, or GALT.

On 4/11/68, ANDREW SEBECK, Sheriff, Chenango County Sheriff's Office, advised that his files failed to reflect the names of LOWMEYER, LOWMYER, or GALT.

On 4/11/68, a check of the appropriate city and telephone directories covering the major population center of Chenango County did not reveal the names LOWMEYER, LOWMYER, or GALT.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC

DATE: 4/12/68

FROM : SA JOHN S. LEVAN

SUBJECT: MURKIN

ReButels 4/8 and 10/68.

On 4/9/68, the following reviews were made re HARVEY LOWMEYER or LOWMYER with negative results:

City Directories - Albany, Troy, Colonie

Telephone Directories - Albany, Troy

A review of the bombing aspects file for Albany Division revealed the names of Mrs. EDWARD CLEARY STONE and DAVID BAYARD KEELING as suspects and this information was telephonically furnished to SA JOHN L. KELLY, Syracuse RA.

On 4/10/68, the following reviews were made re ERIC STARVO GALT with negative results:

City Directories - Albany, Troy, Colonie

Telephone Directories - Albany, Troy

On 4/10/68, Mrs. ANN DUNN, NYS Selective Service Headquarters advised that their files contained no record identifiable with ERIC STARVO GALT.

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