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CONTRIBUTOR OF FINGERPRINTS	NAME AND NUMBER	ARRESTED OR RECEIVED	CHARGE	DISPOSITION
Police Department Saint Louis, Missouri	James Earl Ray #81071	October 16, 1959	suspicion of robbery stealing and fugitive other authorities	
State Penitentiary Jefferson City, Missouri	Janes Earl Ray #00416	March 17, 1960	"TC" operating motor vehicle without permission of owner robbery first "b/m DDW" (2 charges)	20 years (20, 7, 5, concurrent)
State Hospital Number 1 Fulton, Missouri	James Earl Ray #37045 C-5	September 8, 1966	Patient	

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	<p>WANTED: James Earl Ray for escape April 23, 1967 (operating motor vehicle without permission of owner; robbery first degree "b/m of a D & DW") (will extradite) Notify Warden State Penitentiary Jefferson City, Missouri information received May 10, 1967.</p>			

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	WANTED BY BUREAU: James Earl Ray, also known as, James McBride, James Walyon, W.C. Herron, James O'Conner, Jim, for unlawful flight to avoid custody-robbery first Fugitive Index #121426 Bureau file #88-41730 Office of Origin Kansas City information received July 27, 1967. CAUTION: ARMED AND DANGEROUS Alias: James Walton			
	WANTED BY BUREAU: Eric Starvo Galt, also known as Harvey Lowmyer, John Willard, Civil Rights-Conspiracy Fugitive Index #127540 Bureau File #44-38861 Office of Origin Memphis. Information received April 19, 1968. CAUTION: ARMED AND DANGEROUS			
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TO ALL SACS - RELAY MESSAGE PLAN

FROM DIRECTOR 44-38861 2P

MURKIN

CONTACTS SHOULD BE MAINTAINED WITH ALL MASS COMMUNICATIONS MEDIA IN YOUR TERRITORY TO INSURE THAT THERE IS FREQUENT REFERENCE TO RAY AND HIS CONNECTION WITH THIS CASE.

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

OFFICES COVERING DEPARTURE OR ARRIVAL OF OVERSEAS FLIGHTS SHOULD HAVE RENEWED STOPS AND SUBJECT'S PHOTOGRAPH SHOULD BE DISPLAYED APPROPRIATELY.

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PAGE TWO

ALL OFFICES SHOULD CONDUCT APPROPRIATE INVESTIGATION
AT ALL "HIPPIE" ROOMING HOUSES AND SIMILAR ESTABLISHMENTS TO
OBTAIN ANY INFORMATION WHATSOEVER CONCERNING RAY.) //

APPROPRIATE LEGATS BEING ADVISED SEPARATELY.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

END

TJB

FBI ALBUQUEE

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RECORD OF INFORMATION FURNISHED OTHER AGENCIES

Orally _____ date _____ By Telephone _____ date _____ Written Communication _____ date 4-24-68

Information concerning:

JAMES EARL RAY, AKA.
FUGITIVE
I.O. #4182

Information furnished from File, Serial, and Page Number:

44-715-78

Information furnished was obtained:

- ☒ during course of Bureau investigation
- ☐ from informants
- ☐ from complainants or other sources

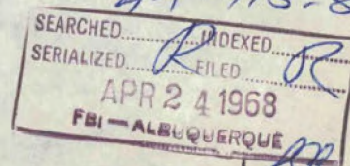
Information furnished to: Regular mailing list.

Number of items disseminated: 1

Remarks: RAY IS SOUGHT IN CONNECTION WITH A MURDER WHEREIN THE VICTIM WAS SHOT. CONSIDER ARMED AND EXTREMELY DANGEROUS.

1 - 44-715
1 - 66-1130

PHILIP J. LOPEZ (CLERK)
Special Agent



UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, AQ (44-715)

DATE: 4/24/68

FROM : SA WALTER W. SMART, JR.

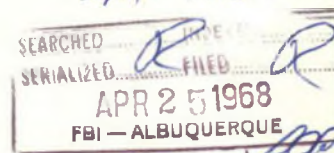
SUBJECT: MURKIN

On 4/24/68, Mrs. HELEN KNIGHT, Assistant Manager, Lee-Mack Laundry, Roswell, N.M., telephonically advised they do not and have not utalized the laundry mark "20R-3.



5010-108

Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan



UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC (44-715) P

FROM : SA WIRT R. JONES

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 4/24/68

Re Bureau teletype to Albuquerque, 4/16/68 and
Memphis teletype to Bureau, 4/17/68.

The records of the Driver Services Division,
Santa Fe, NM, are not kept as indicated in referenced
communications, but rather, alphabetical.

A search has been made under the name of GALT, and
LOWMYER.

On 4/18/68, MARY ANN ROMERO, Supervisor, of the
above department, caused a check to be made of those records
under the alias WILLIAMS with negative results. A&D.

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Memo to SAC AQ Attn. SA Kusulas 4/23/68

From D A Byrnes, SA

Re: MURKIN

Probationary Ghetto Informant JOE IRVIN, Albuquerque NM,
on 4/19/68 advised he had no information re MURKIN.

DABJr:db

2: ⁴⁴⁻⁷¹⁵~~157-163~~

1: ~~157-163~~ 170-16 (Irvin)

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, ALBUQUERQUE (44-715)

DATE: 4-25-68

FROM : THOMAS J. BURCHFIELD

SUBJECT: MURKIN

At 7:30 P.M. this date a woman who refused to identify herself telephonically advised the following information:

On 4-23-68 this woman arrived at the Pink Elephant Bar located at Bowl-A-Drome and began drinking. She arrived at about 1:00 PM that afternoon and struck up a conversation with a man that was already there. She said that he was very quiet and when she asked him what he ~~did~~ did for a living, he replied that he does not do anything right now. She described the man as about 5'10" or 5'11", was thin and had light brown hair. She advised that he would drink nothing but beer and played western music all afternoon. She did get him to bowl a couple of games and said his handwriting is on the bowling sheet. She described him as a average bowler.

She further advised that she then became very drunk and belligerent and the bartender called the police to pick her up around 6:00 PM that evening. She advised that the man was still at the bar when she was removed.

She said that his eyes looked alot like the picture she had seen of Galt in the paper but she could not remember the color. She said that he was staying in a motel located on Central Ave. but she advised he never mentioned the name or exact location. She said that he advised that he had driven around town for awhile before choosing the Pink Elephant to stop in. He thought it looked like a quiet place.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : All Investigative Employees

DATE: April 22, 1968

FROM : Director, FBI

SUBJECT: JAMES EARL RAY, aka - FUGITIVE
I.O. #4182; W. F. #442-A
CIVIL RIGHTS - CONSPIRACY
INTERSTATE FLIGHT - ROBBERY
"TEN MOST WANTED FUGITIVES" PROGRAM
RELEASE DATE: SATURDAY P.M., APRIL 20, 1968

THE CRIMES: Ray escaped from the Missouri State Penitentiary, Jefferson City, Missouri, on April 23, 1967, while serving a 20-year sentence for armed robbery and operating a motor vehicle without the owner's permission. He subsequently allegedly conspired, under the alias Eric Starvo Galt, to violate the civil rights of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., shot to death on the balcony of a Memphis, Tennessee, motel on April 4, 1968.

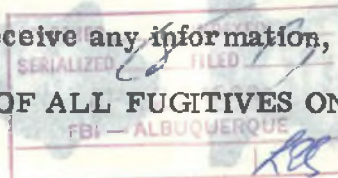
THE CRIMINAL: A 40-year-old white native of Illinois, who is known as a "loner" and "drifter" and has taken elaborate steps to establish a false identity, Ray has an extensive criminal record, including convictions for burglary, robbery and forging U. S. Postal Money Orders. Outstanding characteristics include a straight narrow nose, straight and even teeth, a noticeably protruding left ear and a nervous habit of tugging at an ear lobe. He has taken dancing lessons, attended bartending school, enrolled in a correspondence course in locksmithing and traveled widely in a 1966 Mustang recovered in Atlanta, Georgia, a week after Dr. King's murder. Ray likes western and country music, drinks vodka and beer and has worked as a baker, laborer and color matcher.

PROCESS: A Federal warrant issued at Jefferson City, Missouri, on July 20, 1967, charges Ray with unlawful interstate flight to avoid confinement for robbery. Another Federal warrant, issued at Birmingham, Alabama, on April 17, 1968, charges Ray, as Eric Starvo Galt, with conspiring to interfere with a Constitutional Right of a citizen.

"TEN MOST WANTED FUGITIVES": Ray is a special addition to the list of "Ten Most Wanted Fugitives." The list as of Saturday p. m., April 20, 1968, was:

John William Clouser	I. O. #3837	Charles Lee Herron	I. O. #4163
Howard Callens Johnson	I. O. #4039	George Edward Wells	I. O. #4175
George Benjamin Williams	I. O. #4072	David Evans	I. O. #4177
Gordon Dale Ervin	I. O. #4087	Franklin Allen Paris	I. O. #4178
Carmen Raymond Gagliardi	I. O. #4101	David Stuart Neff	I. O. #4179
	James Earl Ray	I. O. #4182	

THEY ARE ALL ARMED AND DANGEROUS. If you receive any information, give it at once to your SAC or appropriate supervisor.
PHOTOGRAPHS, FINGERPRINTS AND DESCRIPTIVE DATA OF ALL FUGITIVES ON THE LIST ARE ON THE REVERSE SIDE.



44-715-86



DAVID EVANS, also known as:
"Pee Wee,"
N; born [REDACTED] 5'7-5'8"; 140-150 lbs;
med bld; blk hair; brn eyes; lt comp;
ooo - lab, upholsterer. Wanted by FBI
for BANK ROBBERY and UNLAWFUL FLIGHT
TO AVOID PROSECUTION (Burglary, Larceny,
and Receiving Stolen Goods).
IDENTIFICATION ORDER # -4177
FBI-368 901 E
DATE PHOTO TAKEN: 1966



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CHARLES LEE HERRON, also known as:
Lee Jones, [REDACTED]
W; born [REDACTED] (); 5'7"-5'8"; 145-
150 lbs; dark hair; blue eyes; brown eyes;
dark eyes; oec - clerk. Wanted by FBI
for UNLAWFUL FLIGHT TO AVOID PROSECU-
TION (murder; Assault with Intent to
Commit Murder).
IDENTIFICATION ORDER # -elw
FBI - 313 926 G
DATE PHOTO TAKEN: UNKNOWN



It thumb



GEORGE EDWARD WELLS, also known as:
George T. Guy, Lloyd Kuemarski,
W; born [REDACTED] 5'6"; 165-175 lbs;
med bld; brn hair, 22; brn eyes; med
comp; ooc - maintenance worker, maint.
Wanted by FBI for UNLAWFUL FLIGHT TO
AVOID PROSECUTION (Armed Robbery);
INTERSTATE TRANSPORTATION OF STOLEN
PROPERTY.
IDENTIFICATION ORDER #4175
FBI#-1 667 173
DATE PHOTO TAKEN: 1967



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GABRIELE PAYMONO BAGLIARDI, also known as: 17 W 29 W IOM
Cataldo Reinaldo Gagliardi (true name), I 52 W 001 20
Carmen E. Gagliardi.
W; born [REDACTED] 9/10/12; 185-200 lbs;
hry bld; blk hair; brn eyes; med comp;
oc - lab. Wanted by FBI for UNLAWFUL
FLIGHT TO AVOID PROSECUTION (murder).
IDENTIFICATION NUMBER # 4103
FBI#-566 944 D
DATE PHOTO TAKEN: 1965



It rings



GEORGE BENJAMIN WILLIAMS, 23 M
also known as: Allen
Benjamin Colby, Ben Jackson,
George Benjamin William.
b: born [redacted] 5'6"; 155 lbs;
med blk; [redacted] hair, gr. balding;
bl eyes; rdy temp; rt ring fing
amb: lsc - nonstr worker. dairy
worker, mach, miner, pipe fitter.
Wanted by FBI for HANK ROSENBERG.
IDENTIFICATION ORDER #4-072
FBI-437 C62
DATE PHOTO TAKEN: 1965



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FRANKLIN ALLEN PARIS, also known as: MUM
Franklin Allen Morrison, Al Paris, MUM
Allie Paris, Frank Allen Paris, 11 S U DOO 12 Ref: 9
Franklin Allen Paris. M U DOO 12 1

B; born [redacted]; 190-820 lbs;
med tld; brn hair; brn eyes; med comp;
ooo - horse trader, horse trainer,
rancher. Wanted by FBI for UNLAWFUL
POSSESS TO AVOID PROSECUTION (Burglary).
IDENTIFICATION ORDER #C-478
FBI# 605 264 4

DATE PHOTO TAKEN: 1966



rt ring



FORWARD CALLENS JOHNSON, also known as:
"Dirty Red" (b)(6); 5'9"; 160-170
lbs; med build; dark hair; brn eyes;
med comp, freckled; acc - brickmason,
carpenter, lab. Wanted by FBI for
UNLAWFUL FLIGHT TO AVOID PROSECUTION
(Murder).
IDENTIFICATION ORDER #4039
PRM-1 601 726
DATE PHOTO TAKEN: 1959



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JOHN WILLIAM CLOUSER, also known as:
Jack Clouser, John William Clouser,
Chuck A. Williams.
W; born [redacted] 5'9"; 175-200 lbs;
stony blk; blond hair, may be dyed blk;
bl eyes; rdy comp; ooc - clerical
worker, stock clerk. Wanted by FBI
for INTERSTATE TRANSPORTATION OF
STOLEN MOTOR VEHICLE.
IDENTIFICATION ORDER #J-3837
FBI#-229 123 C
DATE PHOTO TAKEN: 1963



1998, 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025, 2026, 2027, 2028, 2029, 2030, 2031, 2032, 2033, 2034, 2035, 2036, 2037, 2038, 2039, 2040, 2041, 2042, 2043, 2044, 2045, 2046, 2047, 2048, 2049, 2050, 2051, 2052, 2053, 2054, 2055, 2056, 2057, 2058, 2059, 2060, 2061, 2062, 2063, 2064, 2065, 2066, 2067, 2068, 2069, 2070, 2071, 2072, 2073, 2074, 2075, 2076, 2077, 2078, 2079, 2080, 2081, 2082, 2083, 2084, 2085, 2086, 2087, 2088, 2089, 2090, 2091, 2092, 2093, 2094, 2095, 2096, 2097, 2098, 2099, 2100, 2101, 2102, 2103, 2104, 2105, 2106, 2107, 2108, 2109, 2110, 2111, 2112, 2113, 2114, 2115, 2116, 2117, 2118, 2119, 2120, 2121, 2122, 2123, 2124, 2125, 2126, 2127, 2128, 2129, 2130, 2131, 2132, 2133, 2134, 2135, 2136, 2137, 2138, 2139, 2140, 2141, 2142, 2143, 2144, 2145, 2146, 2147, 2148, 2149, 2150, 2151, 2152, 2153, 2154, 2155, 2156, 2157, 2158, 2159, 2160, 2161, 2162, 2163, 2164, 2165, 2166, 2167, 2168, 2169, 2170, 2171, 2172, 2173, 2174, 2175, 2176, 2177, 2178, 2179, 2180, 2181, 2182, 2183, 2184, 2185, 2186, 2187, 2188, 2189, 2190, 2191, 2192, 2193, 2194, 2195, 2196, 2197, 2198, 2199, 2200, 2201, 2202, 2203, 2204, 2205, 2206, 2207, 2208, 2209, 2210, 2211, 2212, 2213, 2214, 2215, 2216, 2217, 2218, 2219, 2220, 2221, 2222, 2223, 2224, 2225, 2226, 2227, 2228, 2229, 2230, 2231, 2232, 2233, 2234, 2235, 2236, 2237, 2238, 2239, 2240, 2241, 2242, 2243, 2244, 2245, 2246, 2247, 2248, 2249, 2250, 2251, 2252, 2253, 2254, 2255, 2256, 2257, 2258, 2259, 2260, 2261, 2262, 2263, 2264, 2265, 2266, 2267, 2268, 2269, 2270, 2271, 2272, 2273, 2274, 2275, 2276, 2277, 2278, 2279, 2280, 2281, 2282, 2283, 2284, 2285, 2286, 2287, 2288, 2289, 2290, 2291, 2292, 2293, 2294, 2295, 2296, 2297, 2298, 2299, 2300, 2301, 2302, 2303, 2304, 2305, 2306, 2307, 2308, 2309, 2310, 2311, 2312, 2313, 2314, 2315, 2316, 2317, 2318, 2319, 2320, 2321, 2322, 2323, 2324, 2325, 2326, 2327, 2328, 2329, 2330, 2331, 2332, 2333, 2334, 2335, 2336, 2337, 2338, 2339, 2340, 2341, 2342, 2343, 2344, 2345, 2346, 2347, 2348, 2349, 2350, 2351, 2352, 2353, 2354, 2355, 2356, 2357, 2358, 2359, 2360, 2361, 2362, 2363, 2364, 2365, 2366, 2367, 2368, 2369, 2370, 2371, 2372, 2373, 2374, 2375, 2376, 2377, 2378, 2379, 2380, 2381, 2382, 2383, 2384, 2385, 2386, 2387, 2388, 2389, 2390, 2391, 2392, 2393, 2394, 2395, 2396, 2397, 2398, 2399, 2400, 2401, 2402, 2403, 2404, 2405, 2406, 2407, 2408, 2409, 2410, 2411, 2412, 2413, 2414, 2415, 2416, 2417, 2418, 2419, 2420, 2421, 2422, 2423, 2424, 2425, 2426, 2427, 2428, 2429, 2430, 2431, 2432, 2433, 2434, 2435, 2436, 2437, 2438, 2439, 2440, 2441, 2442, 2443, 2444, 2445, 2446, 2447, 2448, 2449, 2450, 2451, 2452, 2453, 2454, 2455, 2456, 2457, 2458, 2459, 2460, 2461, 2462, 2463, 2464, 2465, 2466, 2467, 2468, 2469, 2470, 2471, 2472, 2473, 2474, 2475, 2476, 2477, 2478, 2479, 2480, 2481, 2482, 2483, 2484, 2485, 2486, 2487, 2488, 2489, 2490, 2491, 2492, 2493, 2494, 2495, 2496, 2497, 2498, 2499, 2500, 2501, 2502, 2503, 2504, 2505, 2506, 2507, 2508, 2509, 2510, 2511, 2512, 2513, 2514, 2515, 2516, 2517, 2518, 2519, 2520, 2521, 2522, 2523, 2524, 2525, 2526, 2527, 2528, 2529, 2530, 2531, 2532, 2533, 2534, 2535, 2536, 2537, 2538, 2539, 2540, 2541, 2542, 2543, 2544, 2545, 2546, 2547, 2548, 2549, 2550, 2551, 2552, 2553, 2554, 2555, 2556, 2557, 2558, 2559, 2560, 2561, 2562, 2563, 2564, 2565, 2566, 2567, 2568, 2569, 2570, 2571, 2572, 2573, 2574, 2575, 2576, 2577, 2578, 2579, 2580, 2581, 2582, 2583, 2584, 2585, 2586, 2587, 2588, 2589, 2590, 2591, 2592, 2593, 2594, 2595, 2596, 2597, 2598, 2599, 2600, 2601, 2602, 2603, 2604, 2605, 2606, 2607, 2608, 2609, 2610, 2611, 2612, 2613, 2614, 2615, 2616, 2617, 2618, 2619, 2620, 2621, 2622, 2623, 2624, 2625, 2626, 2627, 2628, 2629, 2630, 2631, 2632, 2633, 2634, 2635, 2636, 2637, 2638, 2639, 2640, 2641, 2642, 2643, 2644, 2645, 2646, 2647, 2648, 2649, 2650, 2651, 2652, 2653, 2654, 2655, 2656, 2657, 2658, 2659, 2660, 2661, 2662, 2663, 2664, 2665, 2666, 2667, 2668, 2669, 2670, 2671, 2672, 2673, 2674, 2675, 2676, 2677, 2678, 2679, 26



GORDON DALE REWIN, also known as:
Dale Rewin.
W; born [REDACTED] 5'11"-6'0"; 170 lbs;
med bld; brn hair; bl eyes; med comp;
coc - carpenter, lifeguard, mach shop
worker, locomotive fireman, bellman,
shipyard worker, typist. Wanted by
FBI for UNLAWFUL FLIGHT TO AVOID
CONFINEMENT (Armed Robbery).
IDENTIFICATION ORDER # -4087
FBI#-290 533 A
DATE PHOTO TAKEN: 1965



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DAVID STUART HEFF, also known as: LL
Steven Andrews, Solomon Baker, Steven IM
Greene, George Medina, David J. Heff, 19 0 17 W TOO 13
David Stewart Heff, Donald O'Brien, L 13 W COO 16
W: born [redacted] 5'8"-5'9"; 190-200 lbs:
bvy bld; orn hair; [redacted] eyes; [redacted] comp;
occ - horse trainer, lab, painter,
plumber, surveyor. Wanted by FBI for
BANK ROBBERY.
IDENTIFICATION ORDER #4-1179
TELE 424 874 D
DATE PHOTO TAKEN: 1965



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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
April 20, 1968

JAMES EARL RAY, also known as
Eric Starvo Galt, Harvey Lowmyer,
John Willard, James McBride, James
Walton, W. C. Herron and James
O'Conner

FUGITIVE

CIVIL RIGHTS - CONSPIRACY;
INTERSTATE FLIGHT - ARMED ROBBERY

"TEN MOST WANTED FUGITIVES" PROGRAM

James Earl Ray, a Missouri prison escapee who has been sought under the alias Eric Starvo Galt in connection with the gunshot slaying of civil rights leader Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., has been added to the FBI's list of "Ten Most Wanted Fugitives."

FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover ordered the special addition of Ray to the "Ten Most Wanted Fugitives" list, which already contains ten fugitives, to insure the widest possible dissemination of Ray's photograph and description to help effect his earliest possible location.

Ray has been the subject of a massive and intensive search since the brutal gunshot slaying of Dr. King on April 4, 1968, as he stood on the balcony of a Memphis, Tennessee, motel. One rifle bullet, believed fired from the window of a nearby rooming house, felled the victim.

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44-715-87

An exhaustive FBI fingerprint search, comparing latent fingerprints uncovered in the Dr. King case against fingerprints of over 53,000 persons on whom wanted notices have been posted in the FBI's Identification Division, succeeded in determining that Galt and Ray are identical.

A Federal warrant, issued at Birmingham, Alabama, on April 17, 1968, charges Ray, under the alias Eric Starvo Galt, with conspiring to interfere with a Constitutional Right of a United States citizen. Ray is also sought for unlawful interstate flight to avoid confinement after conviction for armed robbery, based on a Federal warrant issued on July 20, 1967, at Jefferson City, Missouri. He had been confined at the Missouri State Penitentiary, Jefferson City, Missouri, in March, 1960, with a 20-year sentence following conviction for armed robbery and operating a motor vehicle without permission of the owner. In September, 1966, while serving the sentence, he was confined for a time in the maximum security ward at the State Hospital, Fulton, Missouri. He was reported missing from the Missouri State Penitentiary since April 23, 1967.

Ray, who has an arrest record dating back to 1949 and has been convicted of burglary, armed robbery and forging United States Postal Money Orders, has also been confined in the Los Angeles County Jail, the Joliet and Pontiac, Illinois, State Prisons and the United States Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kansas.

He served in the Army between February, 1946, and December, 1948, received a three-month sentence at hard labor for being drunk and breaking arrest and was given a General Discharge due to ineptness and lack of adaptability for military service.

Ray is a 40-year-old white male, reportedly born in Illinois on [REDACTED]. He is approximately 5'10" inches tall, weighs from 163 to 174 pounds, has blue eyes and brown hair which he has worn cut short. He has a small scar on the center of his forehead and a scar on the palm of his right hand. He has been described as having a straight, narrow nose and straight and even teeth and to have a nervous habit of occasionally tugging at an ear lobe. His left ear protrudes noticeably.

Acquaintances describe him as a "loner" and "drifter" whose language and diction reflect a "rural" quality and indicate he has had limited education.

He is reportedly a fan of western and country music, drinks vodka and beer, dresses neatly and claims past employment as a merchant seaman and cook on Mississippi River vessels. He is known to have worked as a baker, laborer and color matcher.

He is known as an avid dancer who has taken dancing lessons. He also completed a course at a school of bartending in the Los Angeles area early in 1968.

Ray should be considered armed and extremely dangerous. Anyone with information concerning this fugitive is requested to immediately contact the nearest office of the FBI, the telephone number of which may be found on the first page of local telephone directories.



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

April 20, 1968

JAMES EARL RAY

James Earl Ray, a Missouri prison escapee who has been sought under the alias Eric Starvo Galt in connection with the gunshot slaying of civil rights leader Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., is one of the FBI's "Ten Most Wanted Fugitives."

FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover ordered the special addition of Ray to the "Ten Most Wanted Fugitives" list, which already contains ten fugitives, to insure the widest possible dissemination of Ray's photograph and description to help effect his prompt location. Ray has been the subject of a massive search since the gunshot slaying of Dr. King on April 4, 1968, as he stood on the balcony of a Memphis, Tennessee, motel.

An exhaustive FBI fingerprint search, comparing latent fingerprints uncovered in the Dr. King case against fingerprints of over 53,000 persons on whom FBI wanted notices have been posted determined that Galt and Ray are identical.

A Federal warrant, issued at Birmingham, Alabama, on April 17, 1968, charges Ray, under the alias Eric Starvo Galt, with conspiring to interfere with a Constitutional Right of a United States citizen. Ray, who escaped on April 23, 1967, from the Missouri State Penitentiary, is also sought for unlawful interstate flight to avoid confinement after conviction for armed robbery.

Possessing an arrest record dating back to 1949, Ray has been convicted of burglary, armed robbery and forging United States Postal Money Orders.

A 40-year-old white male, reportedly born in Illinois on [REDACTED] Ray is approximately 5'10" tall, weighs from 163 to 174 pounds, has blue eyes and short brown hair. He has a nervous habit of tugging at an ear lobe and his left ear protrudes noticeably.

Described as a "loner and "drifter," with a "rural" quality in his speech, Ray has worked as a baker, laborer and color matcher. He has taken dancing lessons and completed a course at a school of bartending.

Consider Ray armed and extremely dangerous. Report any information concerning him to the nearest FBI office.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC (170-11)

DATE: 4/19/68

FROM : SA ROBERT J. WIRTH

☐ CI ☐ SI ☒ R (Prob) (*Ghetto*)

☐ PCI ☐ PSI ☐ R

SUBJECT: JESSIE O. D. WADDLES
PROBATIONARY RACIAL INFORMANT (GHETTO)

Dates of Contact 4/6/68 and 4/19/68		
Titles and File #s on which contacted 		
Purpose and results of contact <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NEGATIVE <input type="checkbox"/> POSITIVE <input type="checkbox"/> STATISTIC <p>Informant stated on 4/6/68 and again on 4/19/68 that he possesses no pertinent information concerning the assassination of MARTIN LUTHER KING. He further stated on these dates that he possesses no information concerning existing or impending situations which might bring about riots or racial violence in the State of New Mexico. He volunteered as far as he knows all action taken in connection with civil rights movements in the State of New Mexico appears to be on a legitimate basis and not prompted by any subversive influence.</p>		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating Very Good	Coverage 44-715-89 Racial Matters SEARCHED <i>B</i> INDEXED <i>B</i> SERIALIZED <i>B</i> FILED <i>B</i> APR 19 1968 FBI - ALBUQUERQUE <i>David</i> <i>Monte</i>

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- RJW/dak (5) *dak*

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Memorandum

TO : SAC (170-10)

DATE: 4/19/68

FROM : SA ROBERT J. WIRTH

☐ CI ☐ SI ☒ R (Prob) (Ghetto)

☐ PCI ☐ PSI ☐ R

SUBJECT: LONNIE JAMES JOHNSON
PROBATIONARY RACIAL INFORMANT (GHETTO)

Dates of Contact 4/6/68 and 4/19/68		
Titles and File #s on which contacted 		
Purpose and results of contact <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NEGATIVE <input type="checkbox"/> POSITIVE <input type="checkbox"/> STATISTIC <p>Informant stated on 4/6/68 and again on 4/19/68 that he possesses no pertinent information concerning the assassination of MARTIN LUTHER KING. He further stated on these dates that he possesses no information concerning existing or impending situations which might bring about riots or racial violence in the State of New Mexico. He volunteered as far as he knows all action taken in connection with civil rights movements in the State of New Mexico appears to be on a legitimate basis and not prompted by any subversive influence.</p>		
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To: SAC, Albuquerque

FOR APPROPRIATE ACTION
FUGITIVE PUBLICITY

Enclosed is material on JAMES EARL RAY,
I.O. #4182, who was added to the list of "Ten Most Wanted
Fugitives," Saturday, p.m., April 20, 1968.

You should furnish this material to your
established outlets in accordance with previous arrangements.

In the event the fugitive is captured or process
dismissed, it will be your responsibility to notify the recipients
of the material to preclude publicizing the individual after he
has been removed from a fugitive status.

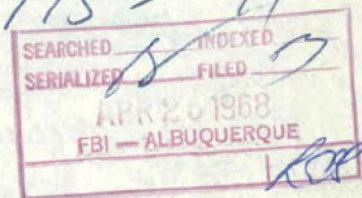
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who was added to the FBI's list of "Ten Most
Wanted Fugitives," Saturday, p.m., April 20, 1968.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, ALBUQUERQUE (44-715)

DATE: 4/25/68

FROM : SA JOHN G. PASS, JR.

SUBJECT: MURKIN

On 4/25/68 inquiries were made at the White Swan Laundry and the Santa Fe Electric, Santa Fe, New Mexico relative to a laundry mark identified as 2-OR-3. However, each uses a mark starting with a letter rather than a numeral.

No check is necessary at Raton as the only laundry does not have a Thermo-seal machine and the only laundry at Las Vegas does not use tape on laundry but marks on the item.

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Date: 4/24/68

Transmit the following in _____
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TO: DIRECTOR (44-38861)
AND ALL CONTINENTAL OFFICES

FROM: SAC, KANSAS CITY (44-760) (P)

MURKIN

OO: Memphis

Enclosed for the Bureau are four copies of photograph of subject JAMES EARL RAY, which was taken 1/4/66 at Missouri State Penitentiary.

Two copies of above-mentioned photograph are enclosed for each of the Continental Offices.

This additional photograph is being furnished, inasmuch as resemblance is quite different from previous photographs furnished, and it may be helpful in aiding sources to identify subject.

Also, it is to be noted that WALTER TERRY RIFE has been located and interviewed in this matter.

SUBJECT ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

3-Bureau (Enc. 4)
2-Each Continental Office (Enc. 2 each) *1 received*
2-Kansas City
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(113) *ALBUQUERQUE*

Approved: _____

Special Agent in Charge

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, ALBUQUERQUE

DATE: 4/23/68

FROM : *CRD* SAC, MILWAUKEE (44-388)

SUBJECT: MURKIN

On 4/20/68, JOHN STASNY, Supervisor, Wisconsin State Patrol, Communication Center, Madison, Wisconsin, telephonically advised he was going through his old wanted cards checking the alias regarding JAMES EARL RAY and observed the following which he thought may be of interest to the FBI:

WILLIAM WALTON, wanted by the Richmond, Virginia PD, item dated 5/15/59, number 7720, file 5-KQB9, for forgery. He stated the description on WALTON is very similar to RAY.

EUGENE RAY, wanted 6/18/64, Hobbs, New Mexico PD, and item number 3819KKC. This individual was 34 years of age at the time.

The above information is being furnished to the Albuquerque and Richmond Divisions for whatever action may be deemed necessary.

*on 4/26/68, Gerald Millikin, records + identification
Hobbs, N.M., P.D. telephonically advised that Eugene RAY
was born on 9/28/30 + that his photograph + fingerprints
are not identical to the subjects. - K*

- 2 - Albuquerque
- 1 - Richmond (Info.)
- 1 - Minneapolis (Info.)
- 1 - Kansas City (Info.)
- 1 - Milwaukee

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*Lead at
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FBI LOS ANG.

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750PM URGENT 4/26/68 LCC

TO ALL SACS RELAY MESSAGE PLAN

FROM DIRECTOR 44-38861 1P

MURKIN.

THE MAIN FILE ON KING HAS BEEN REVIEWED AT THE BUREAU AND LEADS ARE BEING SENT OUT CONCERNING PERSONS INVOLVED IN PRIOR THREATS AGAINST KING. THESE LEADS AS WELL AS LEADS CONCERNING ANY OTHER SUSPECTS DEVELOPED FROM ANY SOURCE MUST BE GIVEN IMMEDIATE AND THOROUGH HANDLING ON A TOP PRIORITY BASIS. PROCESS HAS BEEN OBTAINED AGAINST JAMES EARL RAY AND EXTENSIVE INVESTIGATION IS CONTINUING TO LOCATE RAY AND TO ESTABLISH MOTIVE OF CRIME. YOU HAVE BEEN AND WILL BE FURNISHED INFORMATION RELATING TO OTHER POSSIBLE CONSPIRATORS. THESE MUST ALL BE THOROUGHLY RESOLVED NO MATTER HOW REMOTE.

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TJB

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Memorandum

TO : SAC (44-715)

FROM : SA JOHN H. LEMMLER

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: April 19, 1968

Mr. G.W. BAKER, 1301 Marquette Place, NE, Albuquerque telephone 242-3998, telephonically advised the office on Sunday, April 14, 1968 that he had observed a man who resembled the artists conception drawing of ERIC STARVO GALT in a Kentucky Fried Chicken establishment on Central earlier that evening. BAKER was interviewed by the writer on April 14, 1968 and furnished the following information:

Sometime between 6:30 and 7:00 PM on April 14, 1968, he observed a man in a Kentucky Fried Chicken establishment on Central Avenue in Albuquerque who very closely resembled an artist's drawing of ERIC STARVO GALT that had appeared in the Albuquerque Tribune earlier in the week. He said the place where he saw this person is just east of Carlisle on Central Ave., in Albuquerque. Mr BAKER said this man was just ahead of him in line, and when this man paid for his order, he gave the cashier a large bill, either a \$50 or a \$100 bill because he saw the cashier give him a large number of bills in change, including at least two \$20s and one \$10 bill. Mr BAKER said he did not see the exact denomination of the bill tendered by this person, but concludes that it had ~~to~~ to be a large bill because of the large amount of change given back to him.

Mr BAKER said this man went to a telephone booth just outside the building and made a call while waiting for his order to be filled. He was gone about five minutes, then returned and picked up his order and left. Mr BAKER ~~said~~ said he did not see the vehicle the man was driving, nor did he see in what direction he went after leaving the area.

Mr BAKER said that the most prominent feature about this man was his sharp pointed nose, which was the same as in the drawing in the Albuquerque newspaper. He further stated that had brown hair which was parted to one side, was a white male, age about 21 to 24 years, cheekbones which were just a little more prominent than ordinary, had a slight, thin moustache, otherwise clean shaven, grey eyes, slightly shadowed, about 5'9 or 10" in height, 130 to 140 lbs and having a slight build. He said he did not notice anything about this man's teeth, that the man did not smoke and gave no outward evidence of being nervous. Mr BAKER said that this man's dress was non descript, there being nothing about his dress ~~which~~ which would attract attention. He said this person wore grey trousers, like work trousers, a faded grey checked shirt, no hat

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and black, unpolished shoes.

Mr BAKER was shown two artists conception drawings of GALT, and he stated that the person he had observed earlier bore a close resemblance to these drawings. He said the only difference was that the face of the person he observed might be slightly more slender than shown in the drawings.

Mrs LEONA PERRY, Kentucky Fried Chicken, Bucket Number Three, advised on April 15, 1968 that she had cashiered during the entire day on April 14, 1968. She said that she did not take in any currency in a denomination larger than a \$20 bill the entire day. She said that she did accept a \$50 Traveller's Check on April 14, 1968, she believes that this was around 4:30 or 5:00 PM, and that this was the largest item she took in during the day. She said that this Traveller's Check had been deposited in the Albuquerque National Bank. Mrs PERRY was shown two artists conception drawings of ERIC STARVE GALT. She said that the drawings looked vaguely familiar to her, but she was unable to place the individual. She said she could not relate the drawings to the above \$50 traveller's check, and pointed out that she wrote about 600 orders on April 14, 1968 and had very brief contact with each customer.

Mr ED LAMBERT, Transit Department, Albuquerque National Bank was contacted on April 15, 1968 relative to identifying the \$50 Traveller's Check deposited by Kentucky Fried Chicken, Bucket Number 3 on that date. Mr LAMBERT said it would be extremely difficult to identify an item of this amount, but that he would ~~immediately~~ immediately attempt to locate this item. On April 19, 1968, Mr LAMBERT furnished a copy of American Express Traveller's Check No. HA 82-350-002, which was the only \$50 item deposited by Kentucky Fried Chicken, Bucket Number 3 on April 15, 1968.

The signature GLADYS DREYDAHL appeared on this check as both the purchaser and negotiator of this item.

TO: SAC,

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Date April 26, 1968

RE:

MURKIN

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

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

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

Remarks:

Enclosed are copies of photographs taken by a woman companion of the subject while he was in Mexico in the Fall of 1967.

These are for your further assistance in connection with efforts to locate the subject.

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Date: 4/25/68

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI AND
ALL CONTINENTAL OFFICES

FROM: SAC, ATLANTA (44-2386) (P)

SUBJECT: MURKIN
CR
(OO: MEMPHIS)

Re Atlanta airtel to Director, 4/22/68.

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Special Agent in Charge

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AT 44-2386

For information those offices not receiving reairtel, it was pointed out therein that Subject JAMES EARL RAY, aka. was last known to be in the Atlanta, Georgia, area on 4/5/68. Intensive investigation by Atlanta to date has not established mode of transportation RAY may have used after 4/5/68. Receiving Offices were requested in reairtel to check cars recovered their division that were stolen from the State of Georgia subsequent to 4/4/68, and where the transporter of same was not identified or otherwise accounted for, investigation should be conducted to determine if RAY was person who may have stolen and transported same.

Investigation reflects Subject RAY can be placed in the Atlanta, Georgia, area 3/24/68.

In view of the above, all Continental Offices are requested to review car recoveries within their respective territories of cars stolen from the State of Georgia subsequent to 3/23/68, and where the transporter of same is not otherwise eliminated or accounted for, consider Subject RAY as suspect. Where there is any remote indication that Subject RAY may have been person transporting such a car, exhaustive and intensive investigation should thereafter be conducted.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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Date: 4/25/68

Transmit the following in _____
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TO: ALL CONTINENTAL OFFICES
FROM: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987) -P-
RE: MURKIN
CR

Re ME airtel to All Continental Offices, 4/19/68, requesting that all laundries determined to be using Thermo-Seal laundry marking machines be contacted in effort to locate laundry marking "20R-3", and LA teletype to Bureau, 4/18/68.

All offices discontinue efforts to locate inasmuch as laundry mark identified as coming from laundry in Culver City, California, per Los Angeles teletype to Bureau, 4/18/68.

- 1 - Each Continental Office
2 - Memphis

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Approved: *RG Jensen* Sent _____ M Per _____
Special Agent in Charge

20 April 1967

Dear Sirs:

I have reviewed this letter and am reluctant to let it go. I just happened to notice the resemblance while reading the "eds".

I have your people carefully as a rule & find an innocent man.

Perhaps I should even send this but that knows our nation is

looking for great spiritual leaders

and you are competent.

I don't know nothing beyond the probable resemblance as I have

may sign my name

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*Federal Bureau of Investigation
Federal Office Building
Albuquerque
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KING SUSPECT: The FBI has identified the suspect in the killing of Dr. Martin Luther King as James Earl Ray, alias Eric Starvo Galt, an

escapee of the Missouri state prison. Ray is shown in 1959 file photo when he was arrested in St. Louis for robbery of a grocery store.

(UPI Telephoto)

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HERBERT F GREATHOUSE, SA

MURKIN

Re Tel Cal from AQ 4-24-68 with instructions to recontact ALAMEDA LAUNDRY, Las Cruces concerning possible identification on Laundry Mark 2 OR 3 (yellow in color)

This is to advise that memo has been submitted previously outlining that Alameda Laundry in Las Cruces in marking their incoming laundry uses a letter system for the first number and therefore this cannot be their number.

Their system again explained is as follows:

First digit is letter for day of week, such as MM for Monday

Second number is a Batch number, and each batch each day uses different colored tape, to be repeated next day, with no system as to which color used. This laundry uses up to 8 colors of tape in one day.

Last number series is the bundle number in the batch. Each batch Normally has up to 20 bundles/. Each bundle for a particular person.

There is no set system for numbering say the clothes of JOHN DOE who comes in every week. He might have clothes with marks such as these:

Tuesday TT 10 3 (any one of 8 colors of tape
(Batch 10, bundle 3)

Friday FF 4 3 (any one of 8 colors of tape)
(Batch 4, bundle 3)

Following Tuesday TT 3 3
(Batch 3, bundle 3)

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : ALL AGENTS

DATE: 4/26/68

FROM : *lee* SAC LEO E. CONROY (44-⁷¹⁵751) (P)

SUBJECT: MURKIN

The Bureau advised by teletype on April 24, 1968, that the following leads be covered:

1. Contacts should be maintained with all mass communications media in your territory to insure that there is frequent reference to JAMES EARL RAY and his connection with this case.

2. You are to be certain that all appropriate stops have been renewed in your territory on JAMES EARL RAY and under all of his known aliases as set forth on the IOs and WFs.

3. Conduct appropriate investigation in your territory at all "hippie" rooming houses and similar establishments to obtain any information whatsoever concerning RAY.

Submit results of investigation conducted in memorandum form.

SUBJECT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

1-SAC
1-ASAC
①-44-245 715
1-Each Agent
DWK/mww

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FBI LOS ANG.

1:50 PM NJZ

438 PM URGENT 4/29/68 CAB
TO ALL SACS - RELAY MESSAGE PLAN
FROM DIRECTOR, 44-38861 1P

MURKIN

ALL OFFICES HAVING LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES IN THEIR TERRITORIES WHICH MAINTAIN UNIDENTIFIED LATENT FINGERPRINTS IN CONNECTION WITH MATTERS UNDER THEIR JURISDICTION SHOULD IMMEDIATELY CONTACT THESE AGENCIES AND REQUEST THAT THE FINGERPRINTS OF SUBJECT JAMES EARL RAY AS SET FORTH ON THE IO BE COMPARED WITH LATENTS OBTAINED SINCE HIS ESCAPE FROM MISSOURI STATE PENITENTIARY ON FOUR TWENTY-THREE SIXTY-SEVEN.

THIS IS FOR THE PURPOSE OF POSSIBLY ESTABLISHING RAY'S PAST WHEREABOUTS AND SOURCE OF FUNDS. LEGATS OTTAWA AND MEXICO CITY REQUESTED TO DO LIKEWISE. ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, Albuquerque

DATE: April 29, 1968

JRM : Director, FBI

SUBJECT: JAMES EARL RAY, aka - FUGITIVE
I.O. #4182; W. F. #442-A
CIVIL RIGHTS - CONSPIRACY;
INTERSTATE FLIGHT - ARMED ROBBERY
"TEN MOST WANTED FUGITIVES" PROGRAM
NEWSPAPER MAT

Being forwarded under separate cover is a supply of newspaper mats and proofs for expeditious distribution to all cooperative daily and weekly newspapers in your territory. Additional publications such as shoppers' guides should not be overlooked in obtaining the greatest possible publicity regarding this fugitive.

In most cases, these mats and proofs may be distributed by mail but when circumstances warrant they may be personally delivered by Special Agents. A form letter over the signature of the Special Agent in Charge may be utilized in distributing this material by mail and this letter should point out that the FBI is requesting the aid of the Nation's press in bringing about the prompt apprehension of this badly sought fugitive.

Prompt distribution should be made and additional supplies, if needed, are available at the Bureau. The following number of mats and proofs are being forwarded to your office under separate cover: 60.

As an additional means of securing widespread publicity concerning Ray, offices covering the place of publication of magazines which have previously cooperated in publicizing FBI fugitives should request the assistance of such publications in carrying an article on captioned fugitive. The Bureau press release, copies of which are available in each office, along with a glossy photograph of this fugitive can be furnished. The earliest possible utilization of this material should be encouraged and special attention should be given to publications aimed at minority groups.



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On 5/5/68, R/S were sent to all Resident Agents & Read trip agents with appropriate mats & proofs.

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144PXXX 1144AM URGENT 4-30-68 LMB

TO DIRECTOR (44-38861), ALBUQUERQUE, LOS ANGELES AND SACRAMENTO
FROM DALLAS (44-2649) 2P

MURKIN.

RE TELEPHONE CALLS BY SUBJECT RAY EN ROUTE FROM LOS ANGELES TO
NEW ORLEANS.

FOR INFO OFFICES RECEIVING THIS TEL, ON ABOVE TRIP SUBJECT
RAY ALLEGEDLY MADE SEVERAL TELEPHONE CALLS FROM PUBLIC COIN TELEPHONES
WHILE IN TEXAS. A CHECK OF TOLL CALLS MADE FROM COIN PHONES ALONG
ROUTE FOR DEC. FIFTEEN, SIXTEEN AND SEVENTEEN LAST ARE BEING MADE
AND FOLLOWING HAVE BEEN DETERMINED TO DATE. EACH OFFICE SHOULD
ESTABLISH IDENTITY OF SUBSCRIBER TO TELEPHONE NO. LISTED AND ATTEMPT
TO IDENTIFY BY INTERVIEW OF THIS INDIVIDUAL WHOM INSTANT CALL WAS
RECEIVED FROM. IF RAY MADE CALL, OBTAIN ALL AVAILABLE INFO CONCERNING
HIM.

ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION.

CALL MADE FROM COIN PHONES AT MARFA, TEXAS: DEC. SEVENTEEN LAST,
ELEVEN FORTYSEVENPM, FIVE THREE SEVEN - TWO ONE EIGHT ZERO, BAYARD,
NEW MEXICO.

LOS ANGELES DIVISION.

CALLS MADE FROM COIN PHONES AT MARFA, TEXAS:

KND PAGE ONE

*This is for
Ref Dempsey
15 Cortez
Hurley, NM.*

*Angels ahead
at 1:35 PM 4/30/68
Tel*

*cc: Lead at Bayard
to Angells
Tel*

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DEC. SIXTEEN LAST, SIX THIRTYSIX PM, FOUR EIGHT TWO- THREE ZERO FIVE SEVEN, OXNARD, CALIFORNIA;

DEC. SIXTEEN LAST SIX TWENTY PM, FIVE TWO NINE - ZERO ONE THREE THREE, MOORPARK, CALIFORNIA.

CALL MADE FROM COIN PHONE AT MARATHON, TEXAS: DEC. SIXTEEN LAST, TEN ZERO EIGHT AM, TWO FIVE SIX - EIGHT ZERO TWO SEVEN, LOS ANGELS, CALIFORNIA.

SACRAMENTO DIVISION.

CALL MADE FROM COIN PHONE AT MARFA, TEXAS: DEC. TWELVE LAST, EIGHT FIFTYEIGHT PM, SIX THREE TWO - FIVE THREE FIVE ZERO, TURLOCK, CALIFORNIA.

MEMPHIS ADVISED AM. P

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC (137-1753)

DATE: April 29, 1968

FROM : SA JOHN H. LEWLER

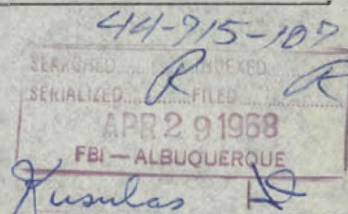
☐ CI ☐ SI ☐ R (Prob)☒ PCI ☐ PSI ☐ R

SUBJECT: LLOYD WALLACE THOMPSON

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Dates of Contact 4/12, 29/68		
Titles and File #s on which contacted		
MURKIN	44-715	
TOP TEN FUGITIVES		
Purpose and results of contact		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NEGATIVE <input type="checkbox"/> POSITIVE <input type="checkbox"/> STATISTIC		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating Good	Coverage as previously noted

1 - 137-1753
1 - 44-715
(2) JHL:jhl



UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC 137-1777

DATE: 4-26-68

FROM : SA *Henry J. Nichols*

☐ CI ☐ SI ☐ R (Prob)

☒ PCI ☐ PSI ☐ R

SUBJECT: *Greg A. Suttleworth*

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Dates of Contact		
<i>4-5-68</i>	<i>4-26-68</i>	
Titles and File #s on which contacted		
<i>Marlin Luther King - Racial matters</i>	<i>157-163 & 4-5</i>	
<i>Martin -</i>	<i>44-715 & 4-26</i>	
<i>200 Benjamin Franklin - Bank robbery</i>	<i>91-1575 & 4-26</i>	
Purpose and results of contact		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NEGATIVE <input type="checkbox"/> POSITIVE <input type="checkbox"/> STATISTIC		
<i>157-163 contacted for any information regarding King, whether as a social disorder</i>		
<i>91-1575 } Same photos as Walter Fellers - negative</i> <i>44-715 }</i>		
<input type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating <i>U2</i>	Coverage <i>Same</i>
<i>no credit record - 4-26</i> <i>no arrest record at AQ PD & SO - 4-26</i>		<i>44-715-108</i>

157-163 - clarify
44-715 KUSV/HJS
91-1575 Kelly

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TO : SAC 157-1798

DATE: 4-26-68

FROM : SA *Danny J. Rink*

☐ CI ☐ SI ☐ R (Prob)

☒ PCI ☐ PSI ☐ R

SUBJECT: *Rose C Lopez*

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Dates of Contact	
<i>4-5-68</i>	<i>4-26-68</i>
Titles and File #s on which contacted	
<i>MARTIN Luther King - Racial Matters</i>	<i>157-163. 24-5</i>
<i>MURKIN - (on 4-26)</i>	<i>44-715</i>
<i>Ed Bayne Williams - Bank Robbery</i>	<i>91-1575</i>
Purpose and results of contact	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NEGATIVE <i>157-163</i>	
<input type="checkbox"/> POSITIVE	
<input type="checkbox"/> STATISTIC	
<i>Contacted for any info regarding King murder and any weird disorder</i>	
<i>91-1575</i>	
<i>44-715</i>	
<i>Shown photos appearing on wanted flyer - Negative.</i>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating <i>V-2</i>
Coverage <i>Same</i>	
<i>Middle initial is C</i>	
<i>No credit or arrest record at</i>	
<i>AQ PD, on SO 4-26-68</i>	

CC: *157-163 - closed*
44-715 - Kuesler ✓
91-1575 - Kelly

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC (44-715)
ATTN: SA KUSULAS

FROM : SA JAMES M. SMITH

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 4/30/68

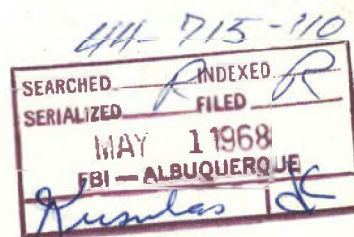
Reurememo to All Agents, 4/26/68.

Regarding investigation in Torrance County, New Mexico, the following is submitted:

1. There are no mass communication media in Torrance County, New Mexico. The coverage in this County is through the media in Albuquerque.

2. All "stops" with police are handled through the New Mexico State Police radio system with Santa Fe and Albuquerque. "Alerts" continue with New Mexico State Police officers and other local officers in Torrance County.

3. There are no "hippie" type rooming houses or similar establishments in Torrance County.



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Memorandum

TO : ALL AGENTS

DATE: 5/1/68

FROM : SAC LEO E. CONROY (44-715) (P)

SUBJECT: MURKIN

LEADS

ALL HEADQUARTERS, ROAD TRIP AND RESIDENT AGENTS

The Bureau advised by teletype on 4/29/68, that the following leads be covered:

1. All offices having law enforcement agencies in their territories which maintain unidentified latent fingerprints in connection with matters under their jurisdiction should immediately contact these agencies and request that the fingerprints of subject JAMES EARL RAY as set forth on the Identification Order be compared with latents obtained since his escape from the Missouri State Penitentiary on 4/23/67.

This is for the purpose of possibly establishing RAY's past whereabouts and source of funds.

2. Submit results of investigation conducted in memorandum form.

SUBJECT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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1 - Each Agent
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Memorandum

TO : SAC (44-715)

FROM : SA DONALD W. KUSULAS

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 4/29/68

On 4/25/68 Clerk TONY OTERO received a telephone call from DAVE BOWMAN, a traveling salesman, staying at the Imperial 500 Hotel, in which he stated when he was out drinking last night he thought for sure he saw a person who looked like GALT drinking at the Holiday Inn.

On 4/25/68 DAVE BOWMAN, Imperial 500, Room 122, Albuquerque, advised he is a carpet salesman and lives at 1801 East Bethany Home Road, Phoenix, Arizona, telephone 274-9171. He said last night at 6:00 p.m. he and a friend, BILL COOPER, went to the Holiday Inn to drink. After they had been sitting down for a few minutes, he noticed a man sitting at the table in front of him with a woman who looked like the photograph of GALT. He said the reason he did not report this sooner was that he got to drinking too much and forgot all about it. He described the man as about 60 years old, with grey, thinning hair, and was smoking a pipe. He was wearing a suit and was approximately 6' tall, with a slender build. BOWMAN said the reason he thought he might be GALT was because this man had a long, sharp nose. He said the woman he was with was in her 50's and they left about 8:30 p.m.

On 4/25/68 BILL COOPER, owner of the House of Carpets, Albuquerque, advised he was out drinking with DAVE BOWMAN last night. COOPER said that BOWMAN pointed out to him the man he thought was GALT. He said there was no resemblance whatsoever to the man drinking and GALT's photograph. COOPER said that when BOWMAN starts drinking, he does crazy things like this.

On 4/25/68 Mrs. GRACE SONS, Bartender, Holiday Inn, advised that she recalls only one woman being in the bar last night and she was with a grey-headed man in his 60's and they left about 9:00 p.m. She said no one has come into the bar, while she has been working, that looked like the photograph of GALT.

SUBJECT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC (44-715)

FROM : SA DONALD W. KUSULAS

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 4/29/68

Re Memphis airtel to all Continental Offices,
4/19/68.

The following persons were contacted on 4/22/68
regarding the contact of laundries determined to be operating
Thermo-seal marking machines in an effort to locate laundry
using the code "20R-3."

The following laundries were contacted with
negative results:

Fina Jaramijillo, Master Cleaners, 2703 San Mateo, N.E.
BRENDA BOUSE, Fashion Cleaners, 1349 San Mateo, S.E.
BERNICE CLARK, Ellen M. Laundry and Cleaners,
(formerly Village Laundry, 11 years ago),
3607 Simms, S.E.
RAY JACKSON, Excelsior Laundry, 517 First Street, N.W.
JOHN MC MASTERS, Albuquerque Industrial Laundry,
215 Altez, S.E.

SUBJECT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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TO : SAC (44-715)

FROM : SA DONALD W. KUSULAS

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 4/29/68

On 4/24/68 ASAC FORREST S. PUTMAN, Jr., received a phone call from RUBE CIRIACKS, Used Car salesman for Vic Rohla Mercury, Albuquerque, that a man who resembled the photograph of GALT parked in front of the used car lot and was acting suspiciously. This person was driving a 1965 Buick Riviera with New Mexico license 2-91386.

On 4/24/68 Investigation revealed that the above license is registered to a KENNETH LEE CORAZZA, 295 Placitas Road, N.W., for a 1965 Buick, two-door.

On 4/24/68 MARIO C. CORAZZA, owner of Harkness Drugs, Fourth and Candelaria, N.W., advised that KENNETH is his son and drives a 1965 tan Buick. He said KENNETH is presently stationed at Kirtland AFB in the Air National Guard. He described his son as being born [REDACTED] at Santa Fe, New Mexico, 5'11", 160 pounds, brown eyes, black hair (flat top) and having a small nose.

SUBJECT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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TO : SAC (44-715)

FROM : SA DONALD W. KUSULAS

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 4/29/68

Re memo of SA WIRT R. JONES, 4/21/68.

On 4/22/68 BETTY MANLEY, Hertz Rent-A-Car, Albuquerque Sunport, advised that Hertz in New Mexico has never owned a Lincoln Continental as far as she knows. She did recall that about one and one-half years ago, a Lincoln Continental owned by Hertz in Florida was involved in a shooting at Moriarty, New Mexico, and she believes maybe Hertz in Albuquerque sold this one.

Investigation reflects that New Mexico license 2-C4578 is registered to DAVID G. HOUSMAN, 3624 Menaul, N.E.

On 4/24/68 DAVID G. HOUSMAN, attorney for Enchanted Valley Corporation, 3624 Menaul, N.E., advised his attorney, partner, LEONARD LEVEY, owns the 1962 Lincoln Continental and he was in Santa Fe, New Mexico, on 4/20/68. HOUSMAN described LEVEY as 34 years old, 6', 160 pounds, brown eyes and light brown, thinning hair, and bears no resemblance whatsoever to RAY.

SUBJECT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC(44-715)

DATE: 4/29/68

FROM : SA Wirt R. Jones

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re: SAC Memo 4/24/68 and My memo SAC 4/16/68.

On 4/29/68 Betsy Egan, Santa Fe, viewed the Wanted Flyers #442 and 442 A of James Earl Ray, aka, and stated he definately is not identical with the man she referred to in my memo of 4/16/68.

Also on that date Jack Byers, Secretary of Local 716, Hotel, Restaurant and Bartenders Union was alerted concerning Ray; he will watch all new applicants for the Union and inform me if one resembling subject appears. He stated Ray is not now a member of the Local.

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