

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC (44-715) (P)

FROM : SA FRANK W. HAINES

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 4/30/68

Re Albany airtel to Bureau dated 4/10/68. Memo of ASAC FORREST S. PUTNAM dated 4/18/68.

On 4/9/68, the following City Portales and Clovis, New Mexico, Directories were checked for HARVEY LOWMEYER and LOWMYER with negative results.

On 4/9/68, the following Telephone Directories were checked with negative results concerning the name HARVEY LOWMEYER and HARVEY LOWMYER:

Clovis, New Mexico  
Farwell, Texas  
Oklahoma Lane  
Texico, New Mexico  
Portales  
Arch  
Belview - Grady, New Mexico  
Causey  
Dora  
Elida  
Floyd  
Melrose  
Milnesand  
Ragland  
Weber City  
Ft. Sumner  
Vaughn  
Santa Rosa,  
Mountainair  
Moriarty  
Estancia

It is noted that there was no City Directory in Ft. Sumner, New Mexico.

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On 4/9/68, the Vote Registration Records for Curry County, Roosevelt County, and De Baca County were checked by SA FRANK W. HAINES with negative results concerning the names HARVEY LOWMEYER or HARVEY LOWMYER or variations of the spelling.

On 4/9/68, the following individuals advised they were unable to locate any record identifiable with HARVEY LOWMEYER or HARVEY LOWMYER:

Mrs. CARMEN ORTLIEB  
Clovis, New Mexico Police Department

Mrs. ADA CLAY  
Portales, New Mexico Police Department

Mrs. OPAL DYE  
Curry County Sheriffs Office  
Clovis, New Mexico

Mrs. VINI GLASS  
Roosevelt County Sheriff's Office  
Portales, New Mexico

Deputy Sheriff JIM RUNNER  
De Baca County Sheriff's Office  
Ft. Sumner, New Mexico

JACK MC CULLOUGH  
Credit Bureau  
Clovis, New Mexico

Mrs. PATSY DEWBRE  
Credit Bureau  
Portales, New Mexico

On 4/10/68, the following individuals advised that their companies did not use a Thermo Coseal Marking Machine manufactured by Textile Marking Machine Company, Syracuse, New York:

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Mr. W. M. STEBBINS  
Magic Steam Laundry  
301 West 7th  
Clovis, New Mexico

Mrs. DELORES KIBBE  
Prince Street Steam and Dry Cleaners  
211 Prince Street  
Clovis, New Mexico

Mr. HENRY MILLER  
Portales Steam Laundry  
104 North Avenue B  
Portales, New Mexico

Mr. W. R. TAYLOR  
Southside Laundry  
412 West University Drive  
Portales, New Mexico

Mrs. CLARA BROWN  
Sunshine Center Laundry  
321 South Avenue C  
Portales, New Mexico

Mrs. LUCY ANAYA  
City Laundry  
217 South 6th  
Fort Sumner, New Mexico

On 4/10/68, Mr. GORDON PAUL, Clovis Steam Laundry and Dry Cleaners, 101 Main, Clovis, New Mexico, advised that his company did not currently use the Thermo Coseal Marking Machine manufactured by the Textile Marking Machine Company, Syracuse, New York. He stated that they formerly had used such a machine, but had not used it for the last 2½ years. He displayed this machine, which was stored in the back of the building.

On 4/10/68, the following individuals were telephonically contacted and advised that they were unable to locate any record identifiable with ERIC STARVO GULT contained in their records:

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Mrs. ADA CLAY  
Portales, New Mexico Police Department

(who also checked with the Portales Sheriff's Office)

Detective N. FRAZIER  
Clovis, New Mexico Police Department

Mrs. OPAL DYE  
Curry County Sheriff's Office  
Clovis, New Mexico

Sheriff MONTE HAMILTON  
Ft. Sumner, New Mexico Sheriff's Office

Mrs. JO BAIRD  
Clovis, New Mexico Credit Bureau

Miss PATSY DEWBRE  
Portales, New Mexico Credit Bureau

Mrs. FAYE FARROW  
First Federal Savings and Loan Association  
Clovis, New Mexico

Mr. BILL DUNN  
First Federal Savings and Loan Association  
Portales, New Mexico

Mrs. MARY PATTERSON  
Home Federal Savings and Loan Association  
Portales, New Mexico

Mrs. MARTHA SEXTON  
New Mexico Savings and Loan  
Clovis, New Mexico

RON OUTHIER  
State Savings and Loan Association  
Clovis, New Mexico

CECIL HAMMONS  
First National Bank of Portales, New Mexico

Mrs. KAY JOHNSON  
Portales National Bank  
Portales, New Mexico

AQ 44-715

Mrs. ROBBIE HAGGARD  
First National Bank of Curry County  
Clovis, New Mexico

(This also covers the Melrose, New Mexico branch)

Miss SHERRI VOHS  
Clovis National Bank

Miss DONNA WILLIAMS  
Citizens Bank of Clovis, New Mexico

Mr. EDDIE SPITZ  
Citizens Bank of Clovis, New Mexico  
Fort Sumner, New Mexico Branch

On April 16, 1968, the following operators of dance studios of Clovis, New Mexico, advised that ERIC STARVO GULT, aka HARVY LOWMYER, HARVY LOWMEYER, and JOHN WILLIARD, were unknown to him and that they had not taught anyone dancing by these names:

Mrs. BILLIE JOAN AUCUTT  
Billie Joan Aucutt School of Dancing  
119 East 5th,  
Clovis, New Mexico

Mrs. RUTH JONES  
Piasecki School of Dancing  
2024 Cameo  
Clovis, New Mexico

Mrs. EVA CLAIRE WHITEMORE  
Whitemore's School of Dance  
313 Sandia  
Clovis, New Mexico

On April 19, 1968, the press release dated 8/17/68 was furnished to the following individuals:

Mr. CHARLES FISHER  
"Clovis Newsjournal"  
Clovis, New Mexico

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Mr. GORDON GREAVES  
Portales, New Mexico  
"News-Tribune"

Mr. ODIS ECHOLS, SR.  
KCLV Radio  
Clovis, New Mexico

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, ALBUQUERQUE (44-715)

DATE: 4/30/68

FROM : SA J. PHILLIP CLARIDGE

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Dallas teletype to Director, 4/30/68.

Mrs. BETTY JO MINSHALL, Office of Security, Telephone Company, advised that telephone number 537-2180, Bayard, New Mexico, is listed to REX DEMPSEY, 15 Cortez, Hurley, New Mexico. His mailing address is P. O. Box 376, Hurley, New Mexico. He has had service at this phone since 1949 and he is an athletic coach of the Cobre Schools.

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TO : SAC AQ (170-24)

DATE: 4/30/68

FROM : SA James Gallagher

☐ CI ☐ SI ☒ R (Prob)

☒ PCI ☐ PSI ☐ R

SUBJECT: HURSCHEL PATTERSON

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## Dates of Contact

Attempted contacts on 4/5/68, 4/10/68, and 4/19/68. Contact finally made 4/30/68

## Titles and File #s on which contacted

Murkin

44-751

Poor People's Campaign (PPC), Racial Matter

157-165

## Purpose and results of contact

☐ NEGATIVE Rev. Patterson advised he has been out of town on church business  
☒ POSITIVE for almost 3 weeks. He stated he was in Memphis, Tenn. 4 days  
☐ STATISTIC after Dr. King was killed. He then went to Dallas, Texas, Las Cruces, N. M., Demming, N. M. and arrived back in Albq., NM the night of 4/29/68. He stated since his return he has been quite busy trying to catch up on his work. He advised he was trying to obtain the name of the person or persons who are organizing the "Poor Peoples March" in Albq., NM, but hasn't met with much success. He stated he determined that the NAACP chapter in NM is not participating, but believed a number of white ministers might be helping to organize the marches in Albq., NM. He stated also heard there was a white woman, either a "Mrs. Bess" or "Bess LNU" who is supposed to be very active in attempting to organize the marches. He explained he was with a group of people on Broadway SE (heart of ghetto area) and someone in the group asked him if he would be attending the meeting on Wednesday night (5/1/68). He explained before he could reply, someone else called his attention and he never did find out who asked him about going to the meeting. He advised he was fairly sure the person who asked the question was referring to a meeting concerning the "Poor People's March". He explained he was almost certain that he would be contacted again to attend this meeting and if he is, he will make it his business to attend in order to find out who is organizing the marches

☒ Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.

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in Albq., NM and what their plans are. Rev. Patterson requested that he again be contacted on Thurs. am (5/2/68). He stressed his distaste for any type of violence and explained the people in the community are aware of his views. He stated that if a march does materialize in Albq., NM he was very desirous of not having any type of violence.

Rev. ~~King~~ Patterson further advised when he was Memphis, Tenn., the negro people were very highly ~~aggr~~ agitated over the killing of Dr. King and the failure of the City of Memphis to meet the garbage collectors demands. He explained that he believed there would have been some real violence in Memphis, Tenn. those first few days following the killing of Dr. King if he and the others ministers present did not help talk the people out of it.

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC (44-715) (P)  
ATTENTION: SA KUSULAS

FROM : SA JAMES M. SMITH

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 5/2/68

Reurmemo 4/24/68.

On 4/29/68, DOROTHY LEE WARD (AQ 170-21)  
advised she had no information regarding RAY.

Also contacted on the same date, all negative,  
were the following:

Sergeant TOMMY CANTON  
New Mexico State Police  
Moriarty, New Mexico

Chief of Police JOHN DAVIS  
City Police  
Moriarty, New Mexico

Sheriff BOBBY CHAVEZ  
Farrance County  
Estancia, New Mexico

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(Priority or Method of Mailing)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)  
FROM: SAC, ALBUQUERQUE (44-715) (P)  
RE: MURKIN

Re telephone calls by subject RAY en route from  
Los Angeles to New Orleans.

Re Dallas teletype to Bureau, 4/30/68.

REX DEMPSEY, school teacher, 1515 Cortez, Hurley,  
New Mexico, phone subscriber 2537-2180 advised on 4/30/68  
that he believes that they received a call on Sunday,  
12/17/67, in the evening from their son-in-law, EDWARD  
KENNETH CHASON. DEMPSEY stated CHASON was a truck driver for  
a company at that time, name of company unknown. DEMPSEY  
believes CHASON now drives with uncle (name unknown) at St.  
Petersburg, Florida.

DEMPSEY stated CHASON makes a practice of phoning  
them, usually collect, when he passes through the Southwest  
area on Interstate U. S. 10. DEMPSEY advised that he usually  
drives from Hurley down to Deming, New Mexico, to meet  
CHASON after the call. DEMPSEY stated that these calls  
are usually received from Van Horn, Texas, or Lordsburg,  
New Mexico. DEMPSEY cannot recall specifically receiving  
a call from Marfa, Texas.

3-Bureau  
2-Los Angeles  
2-Sacramento  
2-Dallas (44-2649)  
2-Memphis (44-1987)  
②-Albuquerque  
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Special Agent in Charge

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DEMPSEY stated he does recall making a trip to Deming to get CHASON during the December snowstorm, as school was closed Monday, December 18, and on the 18th, he was in Deming with CHASON.

Mrs. FRANCES DEMPSEY, wife, stated she believed the call came at the same time that her husband had stated.

CHASON presently lives at 875 22nd Avenue South, St. Petersburg, Florida.

CHASON is described as follows:

Race	White
Sex	Male
Age	23
Height	5' 7" - 8"
Hair	Blond
Wife	PHYLLIS DEMSEY CHASON

Marfa, Texas, is approximately 297 miles southeast of Deming, New Mexico.

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Date: **4-30-68**Transmit the following in \_\_\_\_\_  
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✓ To: SAC, Albuquerque  
✓ From: Director, FBI

**MURKIN**

Re Henry Mc Minn - suspect.

ReWFOtel to Albuquerque 4-10-68.

Bureau files do not disclose results of your investigation.

By return airtel, furnish results or advise Bureau identity of communication containing your answer.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)  
FROM: SAC, ALBUQUERQUE (44-715)P  
RE: MURKIN

Re HENRY MC MINN - suspect.

ReBuairtel to Albuquerque 4/30/68.

Enclosed for the Bureau is 1 copy each of Albuquerque airtel to Memphis 4/12/68 and Albuquerque teletype to Memphis 4/12/68, copies of which were inadvertently not furnished to the Bureau.

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	CODE	FROM	PLACE CALLED	TELEPHONE NUMBER		DATE	MIN	AMOUNT
				AREA	NUMBER			
ASS	6 B	0085 10	AUSTIN TEX	512	478 5265	12 11	3	85
on Day	6 B	0090 10	OAKGRV MILWORE	503	654 8062	12 12	3	90
on Night	6 B	0075 10	RIO LINDA CAL	916	991 5053	12 12	4	75
on - Day	6 B	0090 10	BOGALUSA LA	504	735 5160	12 13	4	90
on - Night	6 B	0085 10	NORFOLK VA	703	340 1796	12 13	3	85
on - Night	6 B	0070 05	SANTA ANA CAL	714	836 5332	12 13	2	70
YPE	6 L	0115 10	EL PASO TEX	915	533 6911	12 14	1	115
is Paid	6 L	0115 10	EL PASO TEX	915	543 2801	12 14	2	115
id No.	6 K	0115 10	EL PASO TEX	915	772 0556	12 14	5	115
id Card	6 K	0070 05	EL PASO TEX	915	778 6411	12 14	1	70
ed Call	1 C	VAN HRN TX	FT HUACHUCA ARIZ	602	538 5432	12 15	4	150
c.	6 S	0065 05	LAS CRUCES NMEX	505	526 2323	12 16	2	65
	6 B	0085 10	SOUTHFIELD MICH	313	356 3329	12 17	3	85
	6 B	0095 10	TELL CITY IND	812	547 3141	12 17	4	95

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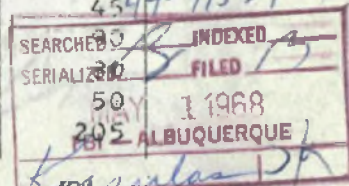
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				AREA	NUMBER			
ASS	6 B	DL 0060 05	ABILENE TEX	915	692 8203	12 17	2	60
on Day	6 B	SA 0060 05	BATESVILLE TEX	512	376 9295	12 17	2	60
on Night	6 B	LA 0070 05	LOS ANGELES CAL	213	587 4471	12 17	2	70
on - Day	6 B	0070 10	FT HANCOCK TEX	915	769 3877	12 17	4	70
on - Night	6 B	0105 10	OKLA CITY OKLA	405	232 9171	12 18	5	105
on - Night	6 B	0065 05	PAULS VLY OKLA	405	238 6278	12 18	2	65
YPE	6 B	0065 05	NORMAN OKLA	405	534 3004	12 18	3	65
is Paid	6 B	0085 10	NEW CASTLE PA	412	652 3983	12 18	3	85
id No.	6 B	0090 10	NEW ORLEANS LA	504	488 9085	12 18	4	90
id Card	6 B	0080 10	LOCKHART TEX	512	398 3803	12 18	2	80
ed Call	6 B	0100 10	ABILENE TEX	915	692 1985	12 18	5	100
c.	6 K	0070 05	MONAHANS TEX	915	943 5525	12 18	1	70
	6 B	0065 05	TUCSON ARIZ	602	325 1156	12 19	3	65
	6 B	0150 15	SEATTLE WASH	206	364 4041	12 19	9	150

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## LONG DISTANCE CALLS

	CODE	FROM	PLACE CALLED	TELEPHONE NUMBER		DATE	MIN	AMOUNT
				AREA	NUMBER			
ASS	6 L	0100 10	EL PASO TEX	915	532 3572	12 13	2	100
on Day	6 K	0070 05	PECOS TEX	915	447 2197	12 15	2	70
on Night	6 B	0040 05	VAN HORN TEX	915	283 2030	12 17	2	40
on - Day	6 B	0050 05	EL PASO TEX	915	584 2382	12 17	1	50
on - Night	6 B	0215 20	PORT ARTHUR TEX	713	982 7605	12 18	8	215
YPE	6 S	0040 05	VAN HORN TEX	915	283 2030	12 18	1	40
is Paid	6 K	0045 05	VAN HORN TEX	915	283 2343	12 19	3	45
id No.	6 K	0100 10	DEL RIO TEX	512	775 6704	12 20	2	100
id Card	6 S	0045 05	LAS CRUCES NMEX	505	524 1953	12 20	1	45
ed Call	6 B	0090 10	CLOVIS NMEX	505	763 4945	12 20	5	100
c.	6 B	0080 10	MANSFIELD TEX	817	273 4966	12 20	2	40
	6 S	0050 05	EL PASO TEX	915	532 3451	12 21	1	45
	6 C	0205 20	WICHITA FL TEX	817	723 7616	12 21	2	40

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	CODE T C	FROM	PLACE CALLED	TELEPHONE NUMBER		DATE	MIN.	AMOUNT
				AREA	NUMBER			
ASS	6 S	0050 05	EL PASO TEX	915	778 5119	12 09		50
in Day	6 S	0080 10	BULLARD TEX	214	894 3570	12 09	2	80
in Night	6 B	0085 10	WINTERPARK FLA	305	838 1743	12 10	3	85
in Night	6 B	0075 10	SAN JOSE CAL	408	265 8008	12 10	3	75
in Day	6 K	0160 15	TAMPA FLA	813	834 1341	12 12	2	160
in Night	6 K	0505 50	MARTINEZ CAL	415	228 7925	12 13	19	505
in Night	6 B	0050 05	EL PASO TEX	915	568 4017	12 14	2	50
in Night	6 B	0050 05	EL PASO TEX	915	568 4017	12 14	1	50
in Night	6 B	0050 05	EL PASO TEX	915	568 1091	12 14	2	50
in Night	6 K	0130 15	SHERMAN TEX	214	893 2709	12 14	3	130
in Night	6 L	0145 15	MIDLAND TEX	915	682 0961	12 14	2	145
in Night	6 B	0075 10	SANTA CRUZ CAL	408	423 3459	12 14	4	75
in Night	6 B	0070 05	SANBARBARA CAL	805	964 2118	12 14	4	70
in Night	6 B	SA 0080 10	FRATT TEX	512	655 1196	12 17	2	80

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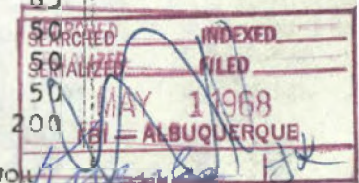
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				AREA	NUMBER			
ASS	1 B	VAN HRN TX	EL PASO TEX	915	772 4281	12 17	3	55
in Day	6 K	0150 15	WATSONVL CAL	408	724 8730	12 18	2	150
in Night	6 B	0075 10	LANSING MICH	517	485 8627	12 18	4	75
in Night	6 B	0075 10	LANSING MICH	517	485 3503	12 18	3	75
in Night	6 S	0080 10	ATHENS TEX	214	675 3365	12 18	3	80
in Night	6 B	0080 10	HOUSTON TEX	713	946 2523	12 18	2	80
in Night	6 L	0240 25	OAKLAND CAL	415	466 5702	12 19	1	240
in Night	6 K	0070 05	EL PASO TEX	915	544 1504	12 19	3	70
in Night	6 S	0060 05	EL PASO TEX	915	755 0068	12 19	2	60
in Night	6 K	0070 05	KERMIT TEX	915	586 6758	12 20	2	70
in Night	6 K	0070 05	EL PASO TEX	915	566 1084	12 20	2	70
in Night	6 K	0070 05	EL PASO TEX	915	778 5966	12 22	1	70
in Night	6 S	0100 10	AUSTIN TEX	512	472 7266	12 22	3	100
in Night	6 B	0135 15	GAINESVL TEX	817	465 6695	12 22	5	135

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## LONG DISTANCE CALLS

	CODE T C	FROM	PLACE CALLED	TELEPHONE NUMBER		DATE	MIN.	AMOUNT
				AREA	NUMBER			
ASS	6 S	0060 05	EL PASO TEX	915	542 6284	12 12	4	60
in Day	6 K	0080 10	ODESSA TEX	915	337 2313	12 12	2	80
in Night	6 C	0190 20	INDIO CAL	714	399 4413	12 12	1	190
in Night	6 L	0115 10	EL PASO TEX	915	598 3476	12 14	3	115
in Night	6 K	SA 0080 10	SANDERSON TEX	915	345 2517	12 15	3	80
in Night	6 K	0070 05	EL PASO TEX	915	533 5685	12 15	2	70
in Night	6 K	0070 05	FABENS TEX	915	764 2248	12 15	4	70
in Night	6 K	0070 05	EL PASO TEX	915	778 7491	12 15	3	70
in Night	6 B	AQ 0100 10	ALAMOGORDON MEX	505	437 7237	12 17	5	100
in Night	6 B	CC 0065 05	PONCA CITY OKLA	405	762 3996	12 17	3	65
in Night	6 B	0050 05	ALPINE TEX	915	837 4964	12 17	2	
in Night	6 B	0050 05	EL PASO TEX	915	751 4358	12 17	4	
in Night	6 B	0050 05	EL PASO TEX	915	778 7491	12 17	10	
in Night	6 K	0200 20	MIDWEST CYOKLA	405	737 7691	12 18	5	

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Date: 4/30/68

Transmit the following in \_\_\_\_\_  
(Type in plain text or code)Via AIRTEL \_\_\_\_\_  
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)  
FROM: SAC, EL PASO (157-186) (P)  
SUBJECT: MURKIN

TELEPHONE CALLS BY SUBJECT RAY ENROUTE  
FROM LOS ANGELES TO NEW ORLEANS

Re Bureau tel to EP, HO, and SA, 4/25/68.

Enclosed for the offices receiving copies of this airtel, are the indicated number of copies of pages listing long distance telephone calls.

3-Bureau (Encl. 5) (AMSD)  
②-Albuquerque (Encl. 2) (AMSD)  
2-Atlanta (Encl. 1) (AMSD)  
2-Birmingham (44-1740) (Encl. 5) (AMSD)  
2-Dallas (Encl. 4) (AMSD)  
2-Detroit (Encl. 1) (AMSD)  
2-Houston (Encl. 1) (AMSD)  
2-Indianapolis (Encl. 2) (AMSD)  
2-Los Angeles (Encl. 5) (AMSD)  
2-Memphis (44-1987) (Encl. 5) (AMSD)  
2-Newark (Encl. 1) (AMSD)  
2-Oklahoma City (Encl. 2) (AMSD)  
2-Phoenix (Encl. 4) (AMSD)  
2-Sacramento (Encl. 1) (AMSD)  
2-San Diego (Encl. 2) (AMSD)  
2-San Antonio (Encl. 2) (AMSD)  
2-El Paso

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Approved: [Signature]  
Special Agent in Charge

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- Referenced Butel reads as follows:

During automobile trip of subject RAY and CHARLES STEIN departing Los Angeles on 12/15/67 and arriving New Orleans on 12/17/67, subject RAY made about six telephone calls from various pay stations in Texas.

They traveled via automobile on Interstate 10 through El Paso to Van Horn, Texas, and went south on Route 90 to San Antonio, then Route 90 or Interstate 10 to Houston, Texas, and to New Orleans.

Each office should check with telephone company and determine the long distance calls placed at each public telephone on the above mentioned routes during period of 12/15, 16, and 17, 1967, and have each call checked out.

On 4/30/68, Mrs. HELEN ORNELAS, Service Representative, West Texas Telephone Company, Pecos, Texas, made available duplicate bills on pay stations from Van Horn, Valentine, and Sierra Blanca, Texas.

Noted that these bills reflect the telephone numbers of the individuals receiving the telephone calls from the pay stations in the above mentioned communities. As noted above, the pertinent dates are 12/15, 16, and 17/67. The teletype codes of the respective offices have been added to these duplicate bills, indicating the telephone numbers to be checked out by the various offices receiving this airtel.

LEADS

ALL OFFICES

Review the enclosed duplicate bills for telephone numbers located in their divisions and conduct appropriate investigation as instructed in referenced Butel, set out above.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC (44-715)

FROM : SA DONALD W. KUSULAS

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 5/2/68

Re El Paso airtel to Director, dated 4/30/68.

Mrs. BETTY JO MITCHELL, Office of Security, Telephone Company, advised that telephone number 526-2323, Las Cruces, New Mexico, is listed to a Rev. R. H. COMBS, Las Cruces, New Mexico. His mailing address is Mail Drawer U, Las Cruces, New Mexico, and his address is listed as 1319 Park Drive. He has had service since 1963 and is minister of the Nazarene Church.

SA GREATHOUSE was advised of the above by SA KUSULAS and will handle.

Mrs. MITCHELL advised that telephone number 437-7237, Alamogordo, New Mexico, is listed to T. C. CARR, 1103 Maple Drive, Alamogordo, New Mexico. He has had service since March, 1959, and he works at Holloman Air Force Base as a computing and software data analyst. His wife's name is listed as NORMA ARLENE.

SA KISSIAH was advised of the above by SA KUSULAS and will handle.

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on the Lockheed*

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# Memorandum

TO : *File*

DATE: 5/2/68

FROM : *hag*

SUBJECT: MURKIN  
CIVIL RIGHTS  
OO:MEMPHIS

*The following info received telephonically  
from SA Johns, El Paso on 5-2-68:*

Reference New York teletype to Baltimore, Dallas, El Paso, Oklahoma City, Philadelphia, Phoenix, Richmond and WFO dated 4/30/68.

This contains the following:

For the information of offices not receiving previous information, Mrs. DONOVAN WOODSIDE (protect identity), 309 Elmwood Drive, Edmond, Oklahoma, was reinterviewed and I.O. 4182 displayed to her. Mrs. DONOVAN said the individual she saw on American Airlines Flight 338 from Dallas, Texas, to Philadelphia, Pa., on 4/6 last very strongly resembled RAY and she believed him to be identical with RAY. She stated she first noticed this individual in Love Field Terminal <sup>Ballas</sup> American Airlines waiting area a few moments prior to boarding this flight. Mrs. DONOVAN could not locate her ticket stub but believed she occupied seat 14-C, an aisle seat, on left side of plane, in tourist section and that the above individual occupied the aisle seat one row up on the right. Mrs. DONOVAN said this individual did not get off the plane when it landed at Friendship Airport, Baltimore, Maryland, and did not converse with anyone on plane, and carried no luggage. She informed that he deplaned at Philadelphia, Pa., and she lost sight of him when her husband met her at airport. Representative of American Airlines determined various individuals traveling tourist class on American Airlines Flight 338, which departed Dallas, Texas, April 6 last at 9:05 a.m. and made one stop at Friendship Airport, Baltimore, before arriving at Philadelphia, 1:31 same date. These numbers included "Mrs. MORRISON, area code 915, telephone number 678-1738, El Paso."

This number was dialed on 5/1/68, and a Mr. D. A. DEPUE answered and furnished the following:

This number was that of the Family Housing Management of White Sands Missile Range, located at White Sands Missile Range, New Mexico. His office handles some 800 housing units at White Sands and looks out for their rental, repair and maintenance. His office has no one named MORRISON working for them and no one of this name is



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*Farrell advised  
by phone 10:55 AM 5/2/68  
to handle + submit  
to Memphis. LK*

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included in the indices of their tenants. He stated he did not know anyone of this name.

LEAD

THE ALBUQUERQUE OFFICE

AT WHITE SANDS MISSILE RANGE, NEW MEXICO

Will conduct appropriate investigation to locate and identify above mentioned Mrs. MORRISON and interview to determine if any individual on above mentioned flight is identical with subject JAMES EARL RAY.

RAY SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, ALBUQUERQUE (44-715)

DATE: 5/1/68

FROM : SA JEAN G. HUGHES

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Reference SAC memo dated 4/24/68.

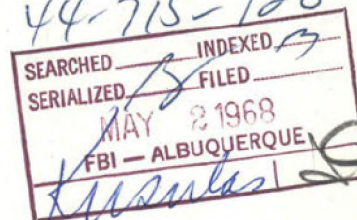
The following investigation was conducted on 4/29/68 by writer at Hobbs, New Mexico:

The following individuals were contacted re JAMES EARL RAY, aka, with negative results:

- 1) Capt. B. J. GILL, Lea County SO Substation, Hobbs;
- 2) Lt. BILL FOWLER, Detective Div., PD, Hobbs;
- 3) PCI VIRGINIA VARDIMAN and
- 4) PCI FRANKIE FLOWERS

Additionally, it was determined there are no bartender unions located in Hobbs, New Mexico.

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AIRTEL

TO: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)  
FROM: SAC, ALBUQUERQUE (44-715) (P)  
RE: MURKIN (RE COST DATA)

Re Memphis airtel to Albany, 4/19/68.

1. Number of hours:	<u>Regular Hours</u>	<u>Overtime</u>	<u>Total</u>
Special Agents	299	75	374
Clerical Employees	40	0	40
2. Total Mileage (Estimated)	3860 miles		
3. Unusual Costs	0		
4. Peak number of Special Agents working on case during month of April, 1968	17		

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

2-Memphis  
②-Albuquerque  
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4/29/68

SA KENNETH P. WALTON

AVERY GRENDEL CHURCH  
POSSIBLE UFAP  
OO: AQ

On 4/19/68, the writer found a note slipped under the door of the Resident Agency, and signed by JOE WILSON, Room 19, La Posada Motel, Gallup, N.M., stating that the man in Room 20, La Posada Motel, was acting suspiciously and resembled the photographs of ERIC STARVO GALT.

On 4/19/68, a new 88 matter was opened on AVERY GRENDEL CHURCH and the motel was contacted immediately upon receipt of the above note and it was ascertained CHURCH had left earlier in the morning. The motel was kept under surveillance by the writer until his return at approximately 2 P.M. Upon observing CHURCH, it was immediately apparent that he was not identical with ERIC STARVO GALT, due to the fact CHURCH was approximately 6'0" tall, weighed in excess of 200 pounds, had brown receding hair and blue eyes. CHURCH was subsequently interviewed by the writer and stated he had been residing at the La Posada Motel since 3/29/68 and had not left Gallup. CHURCH also provided papers which indicated he was employed by the University of Colorado, and was studying for his degree.

On 4/19/68, the records of the La Posada Motel, as provided by PAUL GORE, Manager, were examined and revealed that CHURCH had been registered at the motel since 3/29/68. GORE stated additionally that he had seen CHURCH every day since his arrival.

By teletype dated 4/19/68, the Denver Division advised they could locate no record of local wants for CHURCH.

This case should, therefore, be closed administratively, as no Federal violation exists.

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1 - 44-715 (MURKIN)  
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, AQ (44-715)

DATE: 5-2-68

FROM : SA, Rayford S. Kissiah

SUBJECT: MURKIN  
OO:MEMPHIS

For the information of the file - the name of the subject of this case, and known aliases - have been checked in the files of the following sources without effecting an identification:

Details:  
in Alamogordo, N.M.

On 4-9-68 - Credit Bureau of Alamogordo, N.M. - Mr. William H. Harper, Police Department - Mrs. Wanda Martin, and Mrs. Jeanie Pfiefer, Otero County SO, Alamogordo, N.M.

In Carrizozo, N.M.

On 4-15-68 Sheriff Leandro Vega, Jr., Lincoln County SO.

On 4-15-68 a review of the voting records for Lincoln County Reflected the name of Mr. and Mrs. Charles B. Galt, he born April 15, 1904, and she - born January 21, 1904, as having registered to vote in that county September 26, 1940, and having an address of Fort Stanton, N.M..

Records indicate this particular registration was cancelled, however, no date of cancellation was noted, nor was there a forwarding address of any description.

In Ruidoso, N.M.

On 4-11-68 Miss Sharon Thompson, Credit Bureau of Lincoln County and Mr. Jack Anderson, Ruidoso PD.

A further check of directories for Alamogordo, N.M., as well as telephone directories for the communities of Alamogordo, Tularosa, Cloudcroft, Carrizozo, and Ruidoso, N.M., were check - without effecting an identification.

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AIRTEL

AIR MAIL

TO: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)  
FROM: SAC, ALBUQUERQUE (44-715) (P)  
RE: MURKIN  
OO: Memphis

Re El Paso teletype to Bureau, cc to Albuquerque,  
5/1/68.

Re: Telephone calls by subject RAY  
en route from Los Angeles to New Orleans.

For the information of Memphis, on 5/2/68 Mrs. THOMAS E. CARR, 1103 Maple, Alamogordo, New Mexico, advised she recalls her sister, Mrs. D. H. BREWSTER, Box 26, Van Horn, Texas, had called her from Van Horn on 12/17/67. Her sister lives on a farm in that particular area, has no telephone, and, therefore, would, in all probability, use a public telephone in that area to make a call to her.

Mrs. CARR recalls this specific date as there was a death of a local friend in whom her sister had a personal interest; therefore, the specific reason for this particular call on the indicated date.

CONSIDER ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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AIRTEL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)  
FROM: SAC, ALBUQUERQUE (44-715)P  
RE: MURKIN

Re El Paso airtel to Bureau 4/30/68.

Re telephone calls by subject RAY en route Los Angeles to New Orleans 12/67.


Rev. R. H. COMBS, Pastor, Church of the Nazarene, 1316 Park Drive, Las Cruces, N.M., on 5/2/68, advised he received a telephone call about 12/16/67, from J. A. CECIL, a builder from VanHorn, Texas, who was snowed in. He has had no contact with subject RAY.

RAY SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED & DANGEROUS

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2 - El Paso (157-186)  
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FBI DALLAS

844PM URGENT 5-3-68 LMB

TO DIRECTOR (44-38861), ALBUQUERQUE AND EL PASO (157-186)  
FROM DALLAS (44-2649) 4P

MURKIN.

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

RE DALLAS TELS APRIL THIRTY AND MAY ONE LAST.

THE FOLLOWING ADDITINAL TELEPHONE CALLS HAVE BEEN DETERMINED  
AND SHOULD BE HANDLED AS PREVIOUSLY INSTRUCTED:

ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION.

FOLLOWING CALLS MADE FROM COIN TELEPHONES LOCATED AT ALPINE,  
TEXAS:

*Lucretia handling*  
DEC. SVENTEEN LAST, SEVEN TWENTYEIGHT PM, SEVEN FOUR FIVE -  
THREE THREE EIGHT SIX , LOVINGTON, NEW MEXICO;

*Forrest handling*  
DEC. FIFTEEN LAST, SEVEN THIRTYSEVEN AM, FIVE TWO SIX - TWO TWO  
FIVE EIGHT, LAS CRUCES, NEW MEXICO.

EL PASO DIVISION.

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FOLLOWING CALLS MADE FROM COIN TELEPHONES LOCATED AT ALPINE,  
TEXAS:

DEC. FIFTEEN LAST, ELEVEN THIRTYSEVEN PM, FIVE SIX THREE -  
TWO ONE ZERO ZERO, TERMINAL, TEXAS;

DEC. FIFTEEN LAST, ELEVEN FIFTY PM, FIVE FOUR FOUR - ONE ONE  
EIGHT ONE, EL PASO, TEXAS;

DEC. SIXTEEN LAST, TWELVE TWELVE AM, FIVE FOUR TWO - ONE THREE  
EIGHT FIVE, EL PASO, TEXAS;

DEC. SEVENTEEN LAST, TWELVE FORTY PM, SEVEN SEVEN TWO - TWO  
EIGHT NINE ONE, EL PASO, TEXAS;

DEC. FIFTEEN LAST, EIGHT FORTYTHREE PM, THREE THREE SIX - FIVE  
THREE ONE THREE, FORT STOCKTON, TEXAS;

DEC. FIFTEEN LAST, TWELVE TWENTYTHREE PM, THREE THREE TWO -  
FIVE TWO ONE THREE, ODESSA, TEXAS;;

DEC. FIFTEEN LAST, THREE THIRTYSIX PM, THREE SIX FOUR - FIVE  
TWO FOUR ZERO, CALAMITY CREEK, TEXAS;

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DEC. SIXTEEN LAST, NINE ZERO TWO AM, FIVE THREE TWO - THREE  
FIVE TWO EIGHT, EL PASO, TEXAS;

DEC. SEVENTEEN LAST, ELEVEN FORTYFOUR AM, FIVE THREE THREE -  
ZERO FIVE ZERO TWO, EL PASO, TEXAS;

DEC. FIFTEEN LAST, NINE THRITYTHREE PM, THREE SIX SIX - ZERO  
SEVEN THREE THREE, ODESSA, TEXAS;

DEC. SIXTEEN LAST, FOUR ZERO THREE PM, SEVEN TWO NINE - FOUR  
ZERO FOUR ONE, MARFA, TEXAS;

DEC. SEVENTEEN LAST, ELEVEN ZERO EIGHT PM, FIVE EIGHT SIX -  
FIVE THREE NINE THREE, KERMIT, TEXAS;

DEC. FIFTEEN LAST, EIGHT FORTYONE PM, NINE FOUR THREE - FOUR  
ONE ONE SIX, MONAHANS, TEXA;

DEC. SEVENTEEN LAST, SEVEN FIFTYFOUR PM, FIVE EIGHT SIX - SIX  
SEVEN FIVE EIGHT, KERMIT, TEXAS;

DEC. FIFTEEN LAST, SEVEN TWELVE PM, FIVE SIX THREE - TWO  
ONE ZERO ZERO, TERMIANL, TEXAS;

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DEC. SEVENTEEN LAST, ONE FIFTYTWO PM, TELEPHONE NO. TWO JERO,  
OJINAGA, MEXICO, STATE OF CHIHUAHUA.

MEMPHIS ADVISED AM.

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FBI ALBUQUEE

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Memo to SAC AQ

5/4/68

From D A Byrnes, SA

Re: MURKIN

Re: Phone call received night 5/3/68 from David Padilla, Belen NM that an employee at A-1 Upholstery Shop, Belen, "looked like" Murkin assassin.

Re telephone call received night of 5/3/68 from one DAVID PADILLA, 1022 West Picard, Belen NM (no phone there known). Padilla stated he had noted an employee at the A-1 Upholstery Shop in Belen who resembled the photo of assassin of Dr. Martin Luther King. Padilla described suspect as 36 to 37, 5'11", 155-160, dark brown hair.

Padilla called FBI Albuquerque back a few minutes later to advise he was enroute to Bob's Lounge, 528 Becker, Belen, where he could be reached.

Contacts made with Rosie Griffith at Bob's Lounge, 528 Becker, brought out she personally knew David Padilla. David Padilla did not show up at Bob's Lounge per last contact with Rosie Griffith made by phone 1:10 AM 5/4/68.

Officer Leo Sais, Belen PD, 5/3/68 advised he was aware of the A-1 Upholstery at 200 North Main Street, Belen, but did not know the present operator.

Mr. Tommy Garcia, 401 North 4th, Belen, 5/3/68 advised he had leased the A-1 Upholstery Shop about three or so months ago to a Mr. Wade Maxwell, and Maxwell had a father and son working for him. The three had been there since the shop opened two or three months ago.

Chief of Police Joe Gabaldon, Belen PD, 5/4/68 advised he checked photo of James Earl Ray at A-1 Upholstery Shop that date and the one employee in the age bracket there did not resemble Ray.

Mr. ~~William~~ Cilton Wade Maxwell, operator of A-1 Upholstery Shop, 200 North Main, Belen, in Chief Gabaldon's presence, telephoned 5/4/68 to advise he is 46 and bald. He has two employees, S. Tom Bows age 59 and his son Donald Bows age 36. The latter is about 5'8" and skinny. The three have been working there since January 1968. Maxwell volunteered that a Spanish boy had been in there looking for work a day or two ago, but no work was available for him there--he may have been source of this item.

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158AM URGENT 5-4-68 RJM

TO DIRECTOR (44-38861), MEMPHIS, CHICGO DENVER, ALBUQUERQUE,  
EL PASO, AND LAS VEGAS  
FROM LOS ANGELES (44-1574) (5P)

MURKIN

RE INVESTIGATION LOS ANGELES INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT  
FIVE THREE SIXTY-EIGHT CONCERNING CALL BY UNITED AIRLINES (UAL)  
PERSONNEL DESCRIBING INDIVIDUAL AS POSSIBLE LOOK-A-LIKE OF JAMES  
EARL RAY.

JOAN KEPP, UAL RESERVATIONS CLERK, ADVISED AT  
APPROXIMATELY SEVEN FORTY-FIVE A.M. MALE CAUCASIAN  
REQUESTED ONE ROUND TRIP AND ONE ONE WAY TICKET FROM  
LOS ANGELES TO HONOLULU ON MAY EIGHT NEXT.

STATED HE WOULD LIKE TO USE FRONTIER AIRLINES TICKETS  
EIGHT TWO NINE SEVEN FIVE THREE AND EIGHT TWO NINE SEVEN  
FIVE FOUR ISSUED IN DENVER, COLORADO ON MAY ONE LAST TO  
MR. AND MRS. CARL RAY FOR FLIGHT SEVEN ONE ZERO LAS VEGAS  
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TO ST. LOUIS AND RETURN AS PARTIAL PAYMENT FOR UNITED TICKETS BEING REQUESTED. AT THIS POINT, KEPP REQUESTED INDIVIDUALS RESIDENCE IN LOS ANGELES AND HE STATED INTERNATIONAL HOTEL, BUT COULD NOT REMEMBER HIS ROOM NUMBER. KEPP THEN ADVISED MR. RAY SHE WOULD NEED APPROVAL FROM SUPERVISOR. AT THIS POINT, KEPP SUMMONED ROBERT NICHOLS AND ROBERT WALQUIST TO OBSERVE MR. RAY. RAY WAS OBSERVED FOR APPROXIMATELY FOUR MINUTES AND THEN DEPARTED AREA. METHOD OF DEPARTURE UNKNOWN BY UAL EMPLOYEES. FOLLOWING DESCRIPTION PROVIDED BY UAL EMPLOYEES.

MALE, CAUCASIAN, SIX FEET, ONE HUNDRED EIGHT FIVE POUNDS, THIRTY-FIVE TO FORTY YEARS, GREENISH BLUE EYES, DARK OR GOLDEN BLOND HAIR, FAIR OR SUN TANNED COMPLEXION, GREY BUSINESS SUIT, NEAT APPEARANCE, SHOES NOT OBSERVED AND NO UNUSUAL CHARACTERISTICS. UAL EMPLOYEES FROM GROUP OF EIGHT PHOTOGRAPHS SELECTED PHOTOGRAPH OF JAMES EARL RAY TAKEN BETWEEN AUGUST SIXTY SEVEN AND FEBRUARY LAST AS BEING SOME WHAT SIMILAR TO CARL RAY BUT COULD MAKE NO KIND OF IDENTIFICATION ON PHOTO~~S~~AS IDENTICAL. THIS INDIVIDUAL LEFT AIR- LINES TICKETS BEHIND AS WELL AS THIRTY DAY TEMPORARY FRONTIER

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AIRLINES TRAVEL CREDIT CARD NUMBER THREE ONE ZERO EIGHT EIGHT  
ISSUED FOUR TWO SIX SIXTY-EIGHT TO "MR. CARL RAY" RAY LAND  
AND CATTLE CO., ROUTE FOUR BOX EIGHT SIX EIGHT, PECOS TEXAS  
SIGNED CARL RAY AND TO EXPIRE FIVE TWENTY-FIVE SIXTY-EIGHT.

CLIF W. JOHNSON, PASSENGER SUPERINTENDENT, PAN AMERICAN  
AIRLINES, LOS ANGELES INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, FURNISHED  
THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

PAN AMERICAN AND UNITED ONLY AIRLINES FURNISH PASSENGER  
SERVICE LOS ANGELES HAWAII. RECORDS CHECKED FOR ALL FLIGHTS  
LOS ANGELES TO HAWAII FIVE THREE SIXTY-EIGHT AND NO RECORD LOCATED  
FOR NAME RAY OR ANY KNOWN ALIASES JAMES EARL RAY FOR PAN AMERICAN OR  
UAL. UAL AND PAN AMERICAN AGENTS WHO COULD HAVE SOLD TICKETS  
FIVE THREE SIXTY-EIGHT TO PASSENGERS TRAVELING LOS ANGELES  
HAWAII INTERVIEWED AND ADVISED NO ONE FITTING DESCRIPTION OR RESEMBL-  
ING PHOTOGRAPHS JAMES EARL RAY PURCHASED TICKETS.

HERTZ, AVIS AND NATIONAL RENT-A-CAR AGENCIES, LOS ANGELES  
INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT RECORDS CHECKED FIVE THREE SIXTY-EIGHT AND NO  
RECORDS FOR RAY OR ANY KNOWN ALIASES OF JAMES EARL RAY HAVING  
RENTED OR TURNED IN CAR MAY ONE THROUGH THREE, LAST.  
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THE THREE LOS ANGELES INTERNATIONAL HOTELS, LOS ANGELES INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, CHECKED FIVE THREE SIXTY-EIGHT WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS FOR GUESTS USING NAME C. RAY OR ANY ALIASES OF JAMES EARL RAY. OTHER HOTELS, MOTELS IN AREA NEGATIVE.

EL PASO HAS ADVISED THAT INQUIRY AT PECOS HAS NOT REVEALED ANY SUCH INDIVIDUAL AS CARL RAY OR COMPANY AND ADDRESS IS NON EXISTENT.

DENVER ADVISED TICKETS PURCHASED DENVER MAY ONE SIXTY-EIGHT AT TEN AM BY WHITE MALE, THIRTY-EIGHT, TWO HUNDRED TO TWO HUNDRED TEN POUNDS, FIVE FOOT NINE INCHES, NO GLASSES, THICK BLONDISH BROWN HAIR CREWCUT, GREYISH BLUE SPORT COAT, WHITE SHIRT, OPEN AT NECK, NO TIE. ASKED FOR ROUND TRIP. PAID FOR TICKETS WITH CREDIT CARD DESCRIBED ABOVE. PLANNED TO LEAVE DENVER VIA UNITED AIRLINES FOR LAS VEGAS. PAREN NO RECORD AT UNITED AIR LINE. ALL TICKETS TURNED IN AT MIDNIGHT TO MAIN OFFICE CHICAGO PAREN. PHOTOGRAPHS DISPLAYED AT DENVER TO PERSONNEL DENVER AIRPORT. NEGATIVE BUT NOTICED CERTAIN SIMILARITIES. ASCERTAINED AT FRONTIER AIR LINES BY DENVER THAT CARD ISSUED APRIL TWENTY-SIX LAST AT ALBUQUERQUE WHERE PURCHASED TICKET SAME DAY FOR ALBUQUERQUE TO PHOENIX FLIGHT FIVE EIGHT ONE ON FRONTIER AIRLINES. CAME BACK AND HAD TICKET REISSUED FOR APRIL TWENTY-SEVEN LAST

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ON JET FLIGHT SEVEN EIGHT FIVE, ALBUQUERQUE TO PHOENIX. FRONTIER BELIEVES CREDIT APPLICATION AT ALBUQUERQUE AND IS SEARCHING FOR IT.

LAS VEGAS ADVISED A CHECK OF FRONTIER AIRLINES THERE ASCERTAINED THAT RESERVATION ON FLIGHT SEVEN ONE ZERO FOR MAY TWO LAST WERE MADE THROUGH PHOENIX ON A DIFFERENT TICKET NUMBER THAN THOSE AT DENVER AND GAVE A DENVER CALL BACK NUMBER OF THREE SEVEN SEVEN DASH ONE NINE EIGHT SEVEN. LAS VEGAS TICKETS ARE STILL THERE, VOIDED, AS PASSENGER DID NOT SHOW UP. RECORDS INDICATED PLANNED TO STAY AT SANDS HOTEL. RECORDS AT SANDS NEGATIVE. DENVER HAS BEEN ADVISED.

DENVER CHECK CALL BACK NUMBER TO IDENTIFY INDIVIDUAL ABOVE. ALBUQUERQUE, SECURE CREDIT APPLICATION TO IDENTIFY INDIVIDUAL ABOVE.

CHICAGO, AT UAL CHECK MANIFESTS ON TICKETS FOR UAL FLIGHTS FROM DENVER TO LAS VEGAS OR LOS ANGELES FOR FIVE ONE AND TWO SIXTY-EIGHT FOR CARL RAY.

CREDIT CARD AND FRONTIER AIR LINE TICKETS SECURED AT LOS ANGELES FORWARDED BUREAU VIA AIR TODAY.

INVESTIGATION CONTINUES AT LOS ANGELES TO DETERMINE IDENTITY OF CARL RAY.

COPIES FURNISHED BIRMINGHAM AIR.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

END

COULD YOU GIVE ME PAGE FOUR V OVER LATER AFTER I GET MY PAPERIN SHAPE  
DAL

FBI ALBUQUEE



5/2/68

AIRTEL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM: SAC, WFO (44-703) (P)

MURKIN

Re Bureau airtel, 4/29/68.

For the information of HQ, NO, and AQ, referenced airtel advised that on 4/28/68, a representative of CIA advised Bureau that a German doctor, KLAUS STERN, German Director, Scientific Department, Africa, E. Merck Aktiengesellschaft, Karsstady, Germany, had advised the American Embassy, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, that he believed he had seen an individual whom he thought to be ERIC STARVO GALT at the Bristol Hotel, Lagos, Nigeria, on the afternoon of 4/23/68. The individual was identified as JOE MUSGAQUE, who is reportedly an employee of the Wilder Oil Company (address unknown).

A check of the files of the Passport Office USDS, concerning JOE MUSGAQUE was made on 5/8/61 by SA KENNETH J. BASER with negative results.

- 3 - Bureau
- 2 - Memphis (44-1987)
- 2 - New Orleans (157-10673)
- 2 - Houston
- 2 - Albuquerque (47-715)
- 1 - WFO

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*Can you verify this?*



Files, Passport Office, however, disclose that one JOE BAILEY MUSGROVE was issued Passport [REDACTED] at New Orleans, Louisiana, on 10/4/67 for proposed travel to Nigeria for one year to work. The name "McDERMOTT" appears under purpose of travel. In application 10/3/67 at New Orleans, he stated intended depart NYC via KLM/Pan American Airways/Swissair about 10/6/67, not by organized tour. According to a notice published in the Federal Register on 3/16/67, this passport was valid for 3 years for all countries except Cuba, Mainland China, North Korea, and North Vietnam.

*Welder  
Farmington  
Box 1002  
Ram -  
(Wife Betty)*

This individual stated he was born [REDACTED] at Seminole County, Oklahoma; and file reflects his birth certificate has been seen by passport authorities. He gave his permanent residence as Box 1002, Farmington, N. M., and arranged pick up his passport in New Orleans. Listed father as WILLIAM HANKS MUSGROVE, born Alabama, 1910, and mother as GLADYS IRENE THOMAS, born Texas, 1910. He stated he was last married 4/16/56 to BETTY LOUISE RAMSEY, born New Mexico, [REDACTED] marriage not terminated. In event of death or accident, he requested that Mrs. BETTY MUSGROVE, his wife, be notified at his permanent residence. He identified himself with N. M. driver's license [REDACTED]

*See file  
9-26*

Following description appeared in his file:

Height:	5'10"
Hair:	Brown
Eyes:	Hazel
Occupation:	Welder

On the basis of photograph comparison, MUSGROVE does not appear to be identical with JAMES EARL RAY.



WFO 44-703

Mr. ALLEN HARDY, Nigerian Desk, Office of Inter-African Affairs, Department of State, advised on 5/1/68 that the Wilder Oil Company or the McDERMOTT Company in Nigeria are unknown to him. He stated that there are many small American companies with contracts and sub-contracts in Nigeria. He suggested that the Department of Commerce be contacted to identify and locate such companies.

On 5/1/68, Mr. JAMES H. ASHIDA, Foreign Service Office, USDS, attached to the African Division, Bureau of International Commerce, U. S. Department of Commerce, advised SA ROBERT W. DAWSON he could locate no record for a Wilder Oil Company of the U. S. doing business in Nigeria. He stated, however, that the McDERMOTT Overseas, Inc., has address of Habbib House, 1-9, Berkley Street, P. O. Box 2841, Lagos, Nigeria; further that the J. Ray McDermott and Company, Oil Division, has offices at 14th floor, Houston Club Building, Houston, Texas, and at 200 Loyola Avenue, New Orleans, Louisiana.

NO and NO conduct investigation through J. Ray McDermott Company to determine if MUSGROVE is identical with JOE MUSGROVE, and if MUSGROVE is residing at Bristol Hotel, Lagos, Nigeria.

Copies of this communication are being furnished to AQ in the event further information is required in that Division to eliminate MUSGROVE as a suspect in this matter.



Date: 5/3/68

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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL  
(Priority)

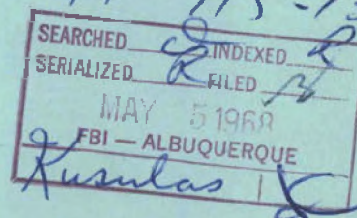
TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)  
FROM: SAC, HOUSTON (44-1509)  
SUBJECT: MURKIN  
CR

ReButel 4/25/68 to El Paso, Houston, San Antonio, advising that each office should determine from telephone company long distance calls placed at each public telephone on Interstate 10 over which subject and CHARLES STEIN allegedly traveled 12/15-17/67.

Set forth by field division are telephone calls made from the Houston Division, 12/15-17/67. Recipient offices will determine from the subscriber, or person receiving call, the identity of caller. If caller was JAMES EARL RAY, aka, obtain all available information.

- 3 - Bureau
- 2 - Memphis (44-1987)
- 2 - Atlanta
- 2 - Albuquerque
- 2 - Boston
- 2 - Charlotte
- 2 - Chicago
- 2 - Cincinnati
- 2 - Cleveland
- 2 - Detroit
- 2 - El Paso
- 2 - Jackson
- 2 - Jacksonville
- 2 - Las Vegas
- 2 - Houston

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<u>DATE</u>	<u>CALLING NUMBER</u>	<u>CALLED NUMBER</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
<u>ATLANTA:</u>			
12/17/67	835-8273 (Beaumont, Texas)	404-876-5551	Atlanta
<u>ALBUQUERQUE:</u>			
12/17/67	682-9177 (Houston, Texas)	505-243-1331	Albuquerque
12/15/67	468-9836 (Houston)	505-864-8204	Belen, N.M.
<u>BOSTON:</u>			
12/16/67	468-9009 (Houston)	617-944-1569	Reading, Mass.
12/16/68	835-9546 (Beaumont, Texas)	401-723-1085	Pawtucket, R. I.
<u>CHARLOTTE:</u>			
12/15/67	673-9255 (Houston)	919-599-9083	Roxboro, N.C.
12/15/67	886-9976 (Orange, Texas)	704-667-4670	Enka, Candler, N. C.
<u>CHICAGO:</u>			
12/15/67	769-9108 (Vidor, Texas)	312-832-4895	Elmhurst, Ill.
12/17/67	835-8273 Beaumont, Texas	309-786-1824	Rock Island, Ill.
<u>CINCINNATI:</u>			
12/17/67	892-9963 (Beaumont, Texas)	513-681-2839	Cincinnati
12/16/67	453-9015 (Houston, Texas)	614-551-2363	Bartlett, Ohio
12/17/67	468-9844 (Houston, Texas)	513-653-6666	Urbana, Ohio

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<u>CLEVELAND:</u>			
12/17/67	468-9727 (Houston, Texas)	614-389-3058	Marion, Ohio
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12/15/67	682-9317 (Houston, Texas)	216-641-1461	Cleveland
<u>DETROIT:</u>			
12/17/68	673-9872 (Houston, Texas)	616-861-2456	Shelby, Mich.
<u>EL PASO:</u>			
12/16/67	673-9501 (Houston, Texas)	915-532-9146	El Paso
12/16/67	682-9348 (Houston, Texas)	915-362-4789	Odessa, Texas
12/17/67	468-9878 (Houston, Texas)	915-682-3697	Midland, Texas
<u>JACKSON:</u>			
12/15/67	453-9611 (Houston, Texas)	601-582-3734	Hattiesburg, Miss.
12/16/67	453-9015 (Houston, Texas)	601-372-3537	Jackson
12/15/67	453-9611 (Houston, Texas)	601-722-4497	Seminary, Miss.
12/16/67	886-9011 (Orange, Texas)	801-684-6794	McComb, Miss.
12/17/67	468-9731 (Houston, Texas)	601-428-8829	Laurel, Miss.
12/17/67	835-9023 (Beaumont, Texas)	601-625-8547	Forest, Miss.



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<u>JACKSONVILLE:</u>			
12/15/67	673-9050 (Houston, Texas)	904-623-2008	Milton, Fla.
12/15/67	673-9419 (Houston, Texas)	904-675-4970	Jay, Fla.
<u>LAS VEGAS:</u>			
12/17/67	835-9587 (Beaumont, Texas)	702-384-7271	Las Vegas



FBI

Date: 5/3/68

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Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL  
(Priority or Method of Mailing)

TO: SAC, ALBUQUERQUE  
FROM: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987) (P)  
SUBJECT: MURKIN  
CR  
(OO: Memphis)

Re Memphis tel 9:55 a.m. 4/17/68 requesting investigation of licensed drivers having birth date [REDACTED]

Inasmuch as this investigation was requested at a time when it was not known that ERIC GALT was merely an alias of JAMES EARL RAY, it was then believed pertinent; however, now that RAY has been identified, this lead is no longer of value and all offices conducting same should discontinue.

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- 2 - Albuquerque
- 2 - Atlanta
- 2 - Butte
- 2 - Denver
- 2 - Jackson
- 2 - Las Vegas
- 2 - Little Rock
- 2 - Milwaukee
- 2 - Minneapolis
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- 2 - New Orleans
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- 2 - Portland
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- 2 - San Antonio
- 2 - Seattle
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*all investigation regarding instant matter has already been reported*

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Date: 5-4-68

Transmit the following in PLAIN TEXT  
(Type in plaintext or code)Via TELETYPE URGENT  
(Priority)TO: DENVER

FROM ALBUQUERQUE (44-715) P

MURKIN

AT APPROXIMATELY EIGHT FORTYFIVE PM, MAY FOUR INSTANT, MRS. BENNY ROMERO, JEFFERSON AVE. LIQUOR STORE, SANTA FE, N.M., REPORTED THAT A MALE INDIVIDUAL CLOSELY RESEMBLING PHOTO OF RAY, WHICH APPEARED IN CURRENT ISSUE OF TIME MAGAZINE, STOPPED AT HER STORE BETWEEN TWELVE THIRTY AND ONE PM FIVE - THREE LAST. THIS MAN WAS DRIVING A NEW OLIVE GREEN MUSTANG WITH UNIDENTIFIABLE LICENSE PLATE AND WAS ACCOMPANIED BY SECOND MALE. MRS ROMERO STATED THAT BOTH OF THESE MEN HAD NOTICEABLE SOUTHERN ACCENTS AND WERE IN AN OBVIOUS HURRY.

SUBJECT RESEMBLING RAY HAD LIGHT BROWN HAIR, SHORT CREW CUT AND HE AND HIS COMPANION PURCHASED SMALL CAKES, CANDY BARS AND SOFT DRINKS ONLY.

INDIVIDUAL RESEMBLING RAY STATED TO SECOND MAN 'THIS WAS THEIR LAST STOP BEFORE REACHING COLORADO'. BOTH MALE OCCUPANTS OF VEHICLE WERE WEARING LEVIS AND PLAID SHIRTS AND NO HATS. NUMBER TWO MALE DESCRIBED AS SLIGHTLY YOUNGER THAN ONE RESEMBLING RAY, BUT SAME HEIGHT.

MRS. ROMERO EXPLAINED SHE PONDERED REPORTING MATTER OVERNIGHT AND DECIDED LATE PM OF MAY FOUR INSTANT TO CALL FBI AQ.

ALTHOUGH LICENSE PLATE ON VEHICLE NOT <sup>IDENTIFIED</sup> NOTICED BY MRS. ROMERO, SHE STATED DEFINITELY NOT NEW MEXICO PLATE. HOWEVER, SHE DID NOT NOTICE

WRJ/AFO

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
Special Agent in ChargeSent 1023 P M Per ABO44-715-140  
KUSULAS



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Date:

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Via \_\_\_\_\_  
(Priority)

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COLOR OF LICENSE PLATE. MRS ROMERO POSITIVE IN HER STATEMENT THAT  
FIRST MALE BORE CLOSE RESEMBLANCE TO RAY INCLUDING THE BLUE EYES.

THE FOREGOING IS FOR YOUR INFORMATION.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

END.

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Special Agent in Charge



FBI ALBUQUEE

FBI DENVER

455PM URGENT 5-4-68 JRW

TO DIRECTOR 44-38861, MEMPHIS, LOS ANGELES, PHOENIX, LAS VEGAS, A  
ALBUQUERQUE, EL PASO AND CHICAGO  
FROM DENVER 157-203

MURKIN

RELATEL THIS DATE TO DIRECTOR, CONCERNING CARL RAY.

TELEPHONE NUMBER THREE SEVEN SEVEN DASH ONE NINE EIGHT SEVEN,  
IS LISTED TO MRS. ROSA M. NIENHAUS, TWO FIVE THREE SIX RACE ST., DENVER.  
MRS. NIENHAUS IS AGED WIDOW WHO STATES DOES NOT KNOW CARL RAY,  
NOR ANYONE FITTING DESCRIPTION OF CARL RAY. NO FRIEND OR RELATIVE  
STAYED AT HER HOUSE IN RECENT PAST.

END

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, ALBUQUERQUE (44-715)  
(ATT SA KUSULAS)

DATE: 5/1/68

FROM : SA PHILLIP W. LOWELL

SUBJECT: MURKIN

The records of Let's Dance Studio, owned and operated by MARTHA WOOD, Arroyo Seco, NM., were searched by writer on 4/17/68. It is noted attempts to contact Mrs. WOOD on 4/15, and 4/16/68 were met with negative results. There were no records found that would be of any value to this case.

It is noted the Let's Dance Studio covers the Espanola and Los Alamos areas. There are no dance studios in the Taos area. MRS WOOD stated she ~~did~~ knew of no other dance studios from Espanola north other than hers.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : ALL AGENTS DATE: 5/2/68

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

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Kansas City airtel to the Bureau, 4/24/68.

Attached to this memorandum for each agent is one photograph of JAMES EARL RAY, which was taken on 1/4/66 at Missouri State Penitentiary.

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

If additional photographs are needed, send a routing slip to SA KUSULAS handling this case.

SUBJECT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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①-44-715 (Enc 1)  
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