

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC (44-715) P

FROM : SA DONALD W. KUSULAS

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 5/2/68

Re Bureau teletype to All SAC's, 4/24/68.

On 4/25/68, Sergeant WAYNE R. LARSON, Vice and Intelligence Detail, Albuquerque, New Mexico Police Department, advised that the only "hippie" rooming houses or similar establishments he knows of in the Albuquerque area would at 323 Princeton, SE; 116 Harvard, SE; 308 Harvard, SE; 528 Sycamore, SE; and 1524 Lead, SE.

On 4/25/68, WALDO WHITTIER, 315 Princeton, SE, advised that he will keep a watch out on the hippie rooming house next door to him at 323 Princeton, SE, for indication that JAMES EARL RAY is there.

On 4/25/68, CARL BRANGLE, Owner, Brangle Sheet Metal Shop, 120 Harvard, SE, advised since he is so close to the University a lot of hippie type of people walk by his store window every day. He said that RAY's photograph was not familiar to him as being a person who frequented the hippie rooming house next to his shop at 116 Harvard, SE, but he stated that he would be glad to keep an eye out for him.

On 4/26/68, ROBERT L. FEUGE, 1600 Lead, SE, advised he will keep a watch out on the large white hippie house at 1524 Lead, SE, to see if RAY shows up there. He said that last week the Sheriff's Office and Police Department arrested 10 persons there for possession of narcotics.

On 4/26/68, SILVA SAUL, 524 Sycamore, SE, advised that she has had a lot of trouble with the hippies next door to her at 528 Sycamore, SE, and she will be more than happy to watch out for RAY should he stop there. She also said

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sometimes the hippies have love-ins in the park across from her house and she will also look for RAY there.

On 4/26/68, MALCOLM E. YORK, 307 Harvard, SE, advised he considers the large pink house at 308 Harvard, SE, to be inhabited by hippies. He said that he will be on the lookout for RAY should he stop by there.

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Re Bureau teletype to all SAC's dated 4/29/68.

On 4/30/68, the following persons advised they would compare fingerprints of JAMES EARL RAY with any unidentified latent fingerprints they may have in their possession:

Sergeant MARTIN ZAMORA
Identification Division
Albuquerque, New Mexico Police Department

Identification Officer JOHN COOPER
Bernalillo County Sheriff's Office

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Re memo of Clerk THOMAS J. BURCHFIELD, 4/25/68.

On 4/26/68, BILLIE VILLINES, Bartender at the Pink Elephant, 6909 Manuel, NE, Albuquerque, New Mexico, advised that she recalls quite well the incident regarding a woman being thrown out of the bar about 6:00 PM on 4/23/68. The woman was JEAN BURGESS and she is on a continual drunk all of the time. She was propositioning everyone in the bar and accused everyone of stealing her wallet. She said that Mrs. BURGESS' husband is named DOUGLAS and he is a cigarette salesman.

Mrs. VILLINES said the man she sat with has been in on many occasions before and usually drinks about four or five beers and then leaves. He is a salesman and is described as follows:

Age	About 29
Height	6'
Weight	150 lbs.
Build	Slender
Hair	Light brown
Eyes	Brown
Characteristics	Pointed chin and an average looking nose

She said that this man was definitely not RAY.

On 4/26/68, CARL JELSO, Manager, Bowl Drome, 6909 Manuel, NE, Albuquerque, advised that he knows JEAN BURGESS as he recalls her bringing in a man to bowl on 4/23/68. She was so drunk that she could hardly bowl. JELSO said that he could not describe the man she was with but knows he did not look anything like RAY.



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FROM : SA DONALD W. KUSULAS

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 5/2/68

Re Bureau teletype to All SAC's dated 4/24/68.

On 4/25/68, the following persons were contacted in the news communications media in the Albuquerque area insuring their frequent reference to JAMES EARL RAY.

JACK BROWN
"Albuquerque Tribune"

PATRICK LAMB
"Albuquerque Journal"

DAN DUNIVAN
KGGM TV
and affiliate radio station

DALE BRITTEN
KOAT TV
and affiliate radio station

JOHN LUCERO
KOB TV and
affiliate radio station

On 4/25/68, the Bernalillo County Sheriff's Office, Albuquerque Police Department and the New Mexico State Police were recontacted to insure that all stops on JAMES EARL RAY and his known aliases were still current.

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FROM : SA DONALD W. KUSULAS

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Re Bureau radiogram to all SAC dated 4/23/68.

On 4/24/68, the following persons were contacted regarding any bank robbery or bank burglary in which JAMES EARL RAY might be considered a possible suspect, with negative results:

ROBERT FOOTE
Detective Burglary and Armed Robberies
Albuquerque Police Department

Captain KEN KINGSBURG
Bernalillo County Sheriff's Office
Detective Division

Sergeant JESS SOSA
New Mexico State Police
Criminal Division

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM: SAC, EL PASO (157-186) (P)

MURKIN

PERSON RESEMBLING RAY ON AMERICAN AIRLINES FLIGHT NO. 338Re FTS tel call from EP to AQ, 5/2/68, which
furnished the following:

By teletype dated 4/30/68, from New York to
Baltimore, Dallas, El Paso, Oklahoma City, Philadelphia,
Phoenix, Richmond and WFO, the following information was
set forth:

Mrs. DONOVAN WOODSIDE (protect identity), 309
Elmwood Drive, Edmond, Oklahoma, was re-interviewed and
IO #4182 displayed to her. Mrs. WOODSIDE said the individual
she saw on American Airlines Flight 338 from Dallas, Texas,
to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, on 4/6/68, very strongly
resembled RAY and she believed him to be identical with RAY.
She stated she first noticed this individual in Love Field
Terminal, American Airlines waiting area a few moments
prior to boarding this flight. Mrs. WOODSIDE 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. WOODSIDE said this individual did
not get off the plane when it landed at Friendship Airport,
Baltimore, Maryland, and did not converse with anyone on
the plane and carried no luggage. She informed that he
departed at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and she lost sight of
him when her husband met her at the airport. A report
of American Airlines of persons traveling tourist class on
American Airlines Flight 338 which departed Dallas, Texas,
4/6/68, at 9:05 a.m. and made one stop at Friendship Airport,
Baltimore before arriving at Philadelphia, 1:31 same date,
included the following:

- 3 - Bureau (REG. AM)
- ② - Albuquerque (REG. AM)
- 1 - Memphis (44-1987) (Info) (Reg. AM)
- 1 - El Paso

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"Mrs. MORRISON, area code 915, telephone number 678-1738", El Paso, Texas

El Paso telephone 678-1738 was dialed on 5/1/68.
A Mr. D. A. DEPUE answered and advised:

This number was that of the family housing management of White Sands Missile Range located at White Sands Missile Range, New Mexico. This office handles some 800 housing units at White Sands looking out for their rental, repair and maintenance. This office has no one named MORRISON working there and no one of this name is in the indices of tenants. Mr. DEPUE did not know anyone of this name.

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AT WHITE SANDS MISSILE RANGE, NEW MEXICO:

Will endeavor to locate and interview "Mrs. MORRISON, El Paso, Texas, telephone number 678-1738" to determine if above mentioned individual is identical with subject JAMES EARL RAY.

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TELETYPE

URGENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861) AND SACS MEMPHIS & LOS
ANGELES

FROM: SAC, CHICAGO (44-1114)

MURKIN

RE LA TEL MAY FOUR INSTANT.

RETEL DIRECTED CHICAGO TO CHECK UNITED AIRLINES FLIGHT
FROM DENVER TO LAS VEGAS OR LOS ANGELES FOR FIVE ONE AND
TWO SIXTY EIGHT FOR CARL RAY.

UAL RECORDS UNAVAILABLE UNTIL MONDAY NEXT. NO
MANIFESTS MAINTAINED BY UAL. TICKET STUBS MAINTAINED AS
PERMANENT RECORDS. WHEN TICKETS ARRIVE CHICAGO THEY GO
THROUGH DATA PROCESSING AND MIGHT BE UNAVAILABLE UNTIL
LATTER PART OF NEXT WEEK. RECORDS WILL BE REVIEWED AT
EARLIEST POSSIBLE DATE.

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AIR MAIL COPIES TO ALBUQUERQUE, DENVER, EL PASO
AND LAS VEGAS.

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TO: NEW YORK
FROM: ALBUQUERQUE (44-715) (P)
MURKIN

RE NEW YORK TEL TO EL PASO, MAY TWO LAST.

EARL MORRISON, TEN TWENTYFIVE LARRY DRIVE, LAS CRUCES, NM, PREVIOUSLY INTERVIEWED MAY TWO LAST AT WHICH TIME HE WAS UNABLE TO IDENTIFY A PHOTOGRAPH OF SUBJECT AS BEING ON AMERICAN AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE THREE EIGHT APRIL SIX LAST, ON MAY SIX INSTANT ADVISED THAT HE WAS ERRONEOUS WHEN HE STATED HE WAS SITTING AT REAR OF PLANE. HE STATED HE SAT AT REAR OF PLANE ON FLIGHT FROM EL PASO TO DALLAS BUT ON FLIGHT THREE THREE EIGHT HE SAT IN SEAT FIFTEEN A AND HIS WIFE GLADYS MORRISON SAT IN SEAT FIFTEEN B. HE STATED THE MALE SITTING IN FIFTEEN C IS BELIEVED BY HIM TO BE IDENTICAL WITH SUBJECT AND FITTED PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION OF SUBJECT. HE STATED HE RECALLED THIS INDIVIDUAL WEARING A BROWN SUIT AND STATED THIS INDIVIDUAL REMAINED ON THE PLANE AT BALTIMORE.

NEW YORK, IF NOT ALREADY DONE, LOCATE AND INTERVIEW

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INDIVIDUAL OCCUPYING SEAT FIFTEEN C TO DETERMINE IF
IDENTICAL WITH SUBJECT.

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FBI NEW YORK

8:32 PM URGENT 5-6-68 AWS

TO ALBUQUERQUE 44-715

FROM NEW YORK 44-1609

MURKIN

RE PASSENGERS ON AMERICAN AIRLINES FLIGHT
NUMBER THREE THREE EIGHT ON APRIL SIX LAST. RENYTEL TO
BALTIMORE AND OTHERS, DATED APRIL THIRTY LAST; AQ TEL TO
NY DATED MAY SIX LAST.

LEO FRUTKIN, AMERICAN AIRLINES, ADVISES THAT SEATING
CHART IS NOT MAINTAINED BY AIRLINES AND UNABLE TO IDENTIFY
WHERE PASSENGERS WERE SEATED ON FLIGHT THREE THREE EIGHT FROM
DALLAS TEXAS TO PHILADELPHIA.

AM COPY TO ME.

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TO : SAC (137-1582)

DATE: 5/3/68

FROM : SA CARY CARLTON

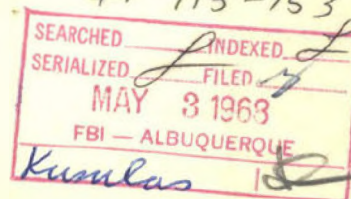
☒ CI ☐ SI ☐ R (Prob)☐ PCI ☐ PSI ☐ R

SUBJECT: AQ 289-C

Dates of Contact 4/29/68		
Titles and File #s on which contacted		
TOP TEN FUGITIVES		
INTERSTATE TRANSPORTATION OF FRAUDULENT CHECKS	87-0	
MURKIN	44-715	
UNSUB, aka Joyce Lowery, Fred Lowery, ITSP	87-0	
Purpose and results of contact		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NEGATIVE CI unable to recognize any of Top Ten photographs or photographs in MURKIN case. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> POSITIVE <input type="checkbox"/> STATISTIC		
<p>CI furnished assistance in connection with the stolen money orders, one of which UNSUB, aka JOYCE LOWERY, had attempted to pass in Albuquerque on 4/28/68 at Foodway Store #6. CI had been in touch with JEAN DAVIGNON and had made telephone call to determine these money orders (TEXCO) were stolen in San Diego on 3/29/68.</p> <p>CI also furnished assistance on 4/25/68 when UNSUB, aka B. R. HARFIELD, attempted to pass fraudulent \$65 check on Canadian bank and was driving a 1966 Mustang with expired Ohio license plate and was staying at Imperial 400. CI arranged with State Policeman JACK JOHNSON to check out the Mustang, which was later to have been determined to be rented and converted, but was not reported as stolen. This data concerning that case appears in detail in Albuquerque file 26-21074.</p>		
<input type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating Very good	Coverage Same

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Memorandum

TO : SAC (137-883)

DATE: 5/3/68

FROM : SA CARY CARLTON

☒ CI ☐ SI ☐ R (Prob)

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SUBJECT: AQ 162-C

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Dates of Contact	
4/29/68	
Titles and File #s on which contacted	
TOP TEN FUGITIVES	
MURKIN	44-715
INTERSTATE GAMBLING MATTERS	92-150
Purpose and results of contact	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NEGATIVE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> POSITIVE <input type="checkbox"/> STATISTIC	
CI unable to recognize Top Ten photographs or photographs in MURKIN case.	
CI advised no interstate gambling going on to his knowledge in this area, but recently during a crap game at the home of JUNIOR WOODS, where a party had been arranged to raise money for JOE WILSON who is presently a candidate for State Land Commissioner, an unnamed State Policeman walked in while the game was in progress and it was rather embarrassing, particularly for WILSON. CI was not at this game and had just heard this information through the grapevine. He said the participants immediately stopped playing when the State Policeman walked in and he had no further information concerning this matter. This office had previously received some similar information.	
CI was requested to immediately advise if any interstate gambling information came to his attention, which he promised to do.	
<input type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating Very good
	Coverage Same

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

Re Recontact Of Laundries Using Code "20R-3."

Re Memphis airtel to all continental offices,
4/19/68.

All laundries have been recontacted in the Albuquerque Division operating thermo-seal marking machines in an effort to locate the laundry using Code "20R-3" with negative results.

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Via TELETYPEURGENT

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~~TO DENVER(157-203), LOS ANGELES, EL PASO AND PHOENIX~~

FROM ALBUQUERQUE (44-715)

MURKIN

RE SUSPECT CARL RAY

RE DENVER TEL CALL FIVE THREE LAST.

ON FIVE THREE LAST ALLAN HORN, STATION AGENT, FRONTIER AIRLINES, ALBUQ, ADVISED HE RECALLS CARL RAY AS PERSON HE ISSUED A FRONTIER TEMPORARY CREDIT CARD ON FOUR TWENTYSIX SIXTYEIGHT. HE ALSO ISSUED RAY A TICKET BUT DESTINATION UNRECALLED. THE ONLY ADDRESS RAY GAVE ON CREDIT APPLICATION WAS THE PECOS, TEXAS ADDRESS AND THIS INFO AND ALL OTHER INFO ON APPLICATION IS CONTAINED ON TEMPORARY CREDIT CARD AS FRONTIER IS ONLY INTERESTED IN BILLING ADDRESS. APPLICATION FOR CREDIT FORM, WHICH HAS CARL RAY'S SIGNATURE ON IT, HAS BEEN SENT TO FRONTIER IN DENVER. HORN DESCRIBES CARL RAY AS W/MA, TWO SEVEN TO THREE ZERO YRS., SIX FT. FOUR IN., TWO TEN TO TWO FIFTEEN LBS., HUSKY, NOT FAT, LIGHT BROWN HAIR COMBED BACK, EYES LIGHT, FAIR COMPLEXION, NORMAL LOOKING NOSE AND EARS, NO HAT AND WAS WEARING LIGHT COLORED WESTERN BUSINESS SUIT. HORN SAID HE LOOKED LIKE A COWBOY BUT LOOKED TOO YOUNG TO BE IN THE CATTLE BUSINESS. HE DID NOT WEAR GLASSES, WAS NOT SMOKING AND DOES NOT RECALL A TIE. HORN SAID AFTER VIEWING PHOTOGRAPHS OF SUB RAY, THAT NINETEEN SIXTY PHOTO ONLY RESEMBLED CARL RAY IN THE MOUTH AND THAT SIXTYSIX AND SIXTYEIGHT PHOTOS WERE

TOO OLD TO RESEMBLE CARL RAY. HORN SAID HE IS DEFINITELY SURE THAT

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CARL RAY IS NOT IDENTICAL TO SUBJECT RAY AS THERE IS TOO MUCH DIFFERENCE IN AGE.

ON THE SAME DATE, MRS. MICHAL STONE, PASSENGER AGENT, FRONTIER AIRLINES, ALBUQ., ADVISED SHE RECALLS CARL RAY AS PERSON WHO APPLIED FOR A FRONTIER TEMPORARY CREDIT CARD AND WAS ALSO ISSUED A TICKET ON FLIGHT NO. FIVE EIGHT ONE, ON FOUR TWENTYSIX LAST FROM ALBUQ. TO PHOENIX. THE FOLLOWING DAY, CARL RAY ADVISED MRS. STONE HE WANTED FIRST CLASS JET FLIGHT NO. SEVEN EIGHT FIVE TO PHOENIX AND SHE HAD TO UP GRADE HIS TICKET AND CHARGE HIM TWO DOLLARS EXTRA. SHE IS SURE RAY WENT TO PHOENIX ON THAT DATE FOUR TWENTYSEVEN LAST, AS SHE RECALLS CHECKING IN HIS BEAT UP CLOTH SUITCASE AND SENDING IT TO THE BAGGAGE AREA. IF RAY BOARDED FLIGHT FOR PHOENIX, BOARDING COUPONS FOR FLIGHT NO. SEVEN EIGHT FIVE OF RAY'S ARE LOCATED AT FRONTIER IN DENVER. MRS. STONE DESCRIBED CARL RAY AS W/MA, TWENTYFIVE TO THIRTY YRS., SIX FT., ONE SIXTYFIVE LBS., SLENDER BUILD, DARK BROWN HR COMBED BACK ON SIDES WEARING TAN COLORED COWBOY HAT, DARK EYES AND EYE BROWS, DARK COMPLEXION (AS IF HE HAD TAN), WORE COWBOY BOOTS, REGULAR LOOKING NOSE AND EARS, WORE WESTERN STYLE LIGHT GREEN SWEDE COAT AND DARK PANTS. MRS. STONE SAID HE LOOKED LIKE A COWBOY AND DRESSED THE PART; HE SMOKED, HAD NO TIE AND HAD ON LIGHT COLORED SPORTS SHIRT.

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MRS. STONE SAID AFTER VIEWING PHOTOS OF SUB RAY THAT CARL RAY DID NOT RESEMBLE SIXTY PHOTO AT ALL AND THAT SIXTYSIX PHOTO WAS TOO OLD TO RESEMBLE CARL RAY AND SIXTYEIGHT PHOTO WAS TOO OLD AND FAT TO RESEMBLE CARL RAY. SHE WOULD DEFINITELY SAY THAT PHOTOS OF SUB RAY DID NOT LOOK ANYTHING LIKE CARL RAY.

BOTH HORN AND STONE SAID THAT FRONTIER IN DENVER HAVE ALL RECORDS PERTAINING TO IDENTITY OF CREW AND PASSENGER LIST OF FLIGHT NO. SEVEN EIGHT FIVE.

DENVER WILL AT FRONTIER ATTEMPT TO OBTAIN CREDIT APPLICATION FORM SIGNED BY CARL RAY AND REVIEW; WILL OBTAIN BOARDING COUPON FOR FLIGHT NO. SEVEN EIGHT FIVE TO DETERMINE IF RAY BOARDED AT ALBUQ. AND WILL CONSIDER IF FEASIBLE, OBTAINING CREW AND PASSENGER LIST AND SET OUT LEADS TO INTERVIEW SAME.

INFORMATION COPIES TO LOS ANGELES, EL PASO AND PHOENIX.

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TO : SAC, ALBUQUERQUE (44-715) (P)

DATE: 5/6/68

FROM : SA JEAN G. HUGHES

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Reference Memo dated 5/1/68, and 4/26/68.

The following investigation was conducted on 5/2/68 by SA JEAN G. HUGHES at Hobbs, N.M.:

The following individuals were contacted and advised their respective departments do not maintain latent fingerprint files. They also advised "stops" are maintained in their files concerning JAMES EARL RAY and that frequent radio and newspaper spots are broadcast or printed re RAY. They additionally advised there are no "hippie" rooming houses and similar establishments located in or near Hobbs, New Mexico:

- 1) Lt. JOHN J. GUSHWA, Records Division, PD, Hobbs;
- 2) COP GIVENS BARKLEY (NA), PD, Hobbs;
- 3) Sgt. OTIS HALEY, NMSP Office, Hobbs, and
- 4) PAT PATTERSON, Deputy Sheriff, Lea County SO Substation, Hobbs (this includes SO main office at Lovington, New Mexico)

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DATE: 5/6/68

FROM : SA HAROLD R. LIVERET T

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re memo 4/24/68.

The following were contacted with negative results re subject RAY.

FERMIN GOMEZ, PCI, 4/26/68
ELMER HOUSTON JONES, PCI, 4/26/68
AQ 295-C, 4/29/68

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FROM : SA DONALD W. KUSULAS

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OO: Memphis

DATE: 5/6/68

Re Dallas teletype to Bureau, 5/3/68.

On 5/3/68, BETTY JO MINSHALL, Office of Security, Mountain States Telephone Company, advised that Telephone No. 745-3386, Malaga, New Mexico, is registered to NORBERTO RIOS, Box 97, Malaga, New Mexico, and has been registered to him since December, 1965. RIOS works for the Lovington Community Center.

Special Agent HAROLD R. LIVERETT was advised of the above and is handling.

Mrs. MINSHALL advised that Telephone No. 526-2258 was registered to MIKE C. BACA, 320 North Espina, Las Cruces, New Mexico, and has been registered to him since March, 1959. BACA is employed as a carpenter for the Pioneer Construction Company and his wife CELIA BACA is a maid for Mrs. FRED HESS.

Special Agent PAUL R. FARRELL was advised of the above and is handling.

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FROM : SA DONALD W. KUSULAS

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OO: Memphis

DATE: 5/6/68

Re Denver telephone call at 6:15 PM on 5/3/68 of
SA BOYD D. ADSIT to SA DONALD W. KUSULAS at Albuquerque.

SA ADSIT advised that he received a telephone call about noon from Supervisor WILLIAM NOLAN from Los Angeles stating that an individual contacted United Airlines on 5/3/68 in Los Angeles and tried to exchange two Frontier Airline tickets for two United Airline tickets on a flight from Los Angeles to Hawaii. He acted very strangely and left the two tickets and a Frontier Temporary Credit Card at the United Airlines Ticket Counter and did not return to claim them.

FBI Agents showed photographs of RAY and two American Airlines employees picked out the 1966 photograph taken at the Missouri State Penitentiary as the photograph which resembled the individual they had seen. Another employee picked out the 1960 photograph.

The Temporary Credit Card No. 31088 bearing the expiration date of 5/25/68, issued to a Mr. CARL RAY, Ray Land and Cattle Company, Route 4, Box 868, Pecos, Texas.

The two Frontier tickets which were left in Los Angeles were from Las Vegas to St. Louis and return at a family rate. The two Frontier tickets were issued at Denver on 5/1/68 and the above-mentioned temporary credit card was used.

SA ADSIT advised that Los Angeles telephonically contacted El Paso and the El Paso Division could not find anything regarding CARL RAY in Pecos, Texas.

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SA ADSIT advised that the ticket agent for Frontier Airlines in Denver described CARL RAY as follows:

Race	White
Sex	Male
Age	38
Height	5'9"
Weight	200 to 210 lbs.
Hair	Blondish brown, crew cut
Build	Heavy, but not fat
Miscellaneous	No glasses; wore grayish blue sport coat, white shirt, no tie.

The ticket agent described this individual as being a little neater than the average traveler.

Frontier Airlines did some checking and found that the tickets were issued at Albuquerque, New Mexico, on 4/26/68 to CARL RAY. On the same date, he bought a ticket, one way, from Albuquerque to Phoenix, Flight 81, but did not take this flight as he had the ticket reissued for First Class Seating on Flight 785 which left Albuquerque at 8:10 AM on 4/27/68 to arrive at Phoenix at 9:42 AM.

The Frontier Airlines said that a Mrs. MICHAEL STONE, Ticket Girl, Frontier Airlines, Albuquerque, New Mexico, sold this ticket to CARL RAY.

SA ADSIT advised that the Denver Office would like Albuquerque to interview Mrs. STONE and also try to obtain the credit card application of CARL RAY.

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FBI CHICAGO

341 PM DEFERRED 5/7/68 PAK

TO DIRECTOR (44-38861) AND MEMPHIS, LOS ANGELES (44-1574), PHOENIX,
LAS VEGAS, DENVER (157-203) ALBUQUERQUE, AND EL PASO.
FROM CHICAGO (44-1114) 2P

MURKIN

RE LOS ANGELES TEL MAY FOUR LAST REGARDING INTERVIEW
AT LOS ANGELES INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT MAY THREE LAST CONCERNING
CALL BY UNITED AIRLINES (UAL) PERSONNEL DESCRIBING INDIVIDUAL
AS POSSIBLE LOOK A LIKE OF JAMES EARL RAY.

FOLLOWING UAL FLIGHTS CHECKED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS
MAY SIX LAST RELATIVE TO TRAVEL OF CARL RAY, DENVER TO
LAS VEGAS OR LOS ANGELES MAY ONE AND TWO LAST.

ONE SIX THREE BOTH DAYS, TWO FOUR ONE, MAY ONE, TWO
FOUR THREE, MAY TWO, THREE FIVE NINE, MAY ONE, EIGHT FIVE
SEVEN, MAY TWO.

NO RECORD AVAILABLE FLIGHTS ONE SIX NINE AND EIGHT
SEVEN ONE.

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INVESTIGATION CONTINUING.

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718PM URGENT 5/7/68 LCC

TO ALL SACS RELAY MESSAGE PLAN
FROM DIRECTOR 1P

MURKIN

TWO ADDITIONAL PHOTOGRAPHS OF RAY WERE RELEASED TODAY TO NEWS MEDIA IN WASHINGTON. PHOTOGRAPH NUMBER ONE SHOULD BEAR CAPTION "JAMES EARL RAY (PHOTOGRAPH TAKEN NINETEEN SIXTY-SEVEN IN MEXICO)." THIS IS THE PHOTOGRAPH OF RAY IN DARK GLASSES AND SPORT SHIRT. PHOTOGRAPH NUMBER TWO SHOULD BEAR CAPTION "JAMES EARL RAY (PHOTOGRAPH TAKEN LATE JANUARY OR EARLY FEBRUARY NINETEEN SIXTY-EIGHT IN CALIFORNIA)." THIS IS HEAD SHOT OF RAY IN BUSINESS SUIT WHICH SHOWS MARKED CLEFT IN CHIN. YOU ARE AUTHORIZED TO REPRODUCE COPIES OF THESE TWO PHOTOGRAPHS LOCALLY AND YOU SHOULD INSURE THEY RECEIVE WIDE-SPREAD DISTRIBUTION THROUGH ALL MEDIA CONTACTS. FIVE COPIES OF EACH OF THESE PHOTOGRAPHS PREVIOUSLY FURNISHED ALL OFFICES. LEGATS OTTAWA AND MEXICO ADVISED.

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Date: May 7, 1968

Transmit the following in _____
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(Priority)

To: All SACs and LEGATs

From: Director, FBI (44-38861)

MURKIN
OO: MEMPHIS (44-1987)

The Bureau has designated Memphis as office of origin in this case.

You were previously advised that leads in this Top Ten Fugitive case must be handled within 24 hours. The Atlanta, Birmingham, Chicago, Houston, Jackson, Kansas City, Los Angeles, New Orleans, St. Louis, and Springfield Offices are to prepare the results of their investigation to date in report form, not as an insert. At such time as the amount of investigation in these field offices does not appear to warrant individual reports, advise the Bureau and office of origin that inserts being prepared in future in lieu of reports, UACB.

All other offices will record the results in appropriate form and transmit 15 copies of each to the office of origin for inclusion in reports submitted by the Memphis Office. Should investigation increase in any such area warranting submission of individual report, do so and advise the Bureau and Memphis.

LEGATs are to submit results of investigation which can be disseminated in letterhead memorandum form suitable for dissemination. Any administrative data which cannot be disseminated is to be set forth in the administrative section of your transmittal communication. Look-alikes and other leads resolved and reported by cablegram or other communication need not be rereported as copies of these communications are being forwarded office of origin by the Bureau for administrative handling of the case.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC (44-715) P

FROM : SA DONALD W. KUSULAS

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 5/9/68

On 5/8/68, SA GAYLE K, MARZ received a telephone call from a Mrs. GRACIA BRUCE, 3040 Mackland, NE, advising that a person who lives at 3037 Mackland, NE, across the street from her in a garage apartment on the side of a house and drives an old green Studebaker, is a definite look-alike of JAMES EARL RAY. She said that this person wears sunglasses and is in his 40's. She said that he has a definite hairline resemblance. She said that he is always neatly attired and lives by himself and does not work during the day. She said that he has been living there for approximately 8 months and the landlady who lives in the same house is a Mrs. AUBURG who works at Franchini Delicatessen on Lomas.

Special Agent DONALD W. KUSULAS was advised of the above and is handling.

On 5/8/68, Mrs. ORA AUBURG, 3037 Mackland, NE, Albuquerque, NM, was contacted at Franchini Delicatessen, and she advised that she rents out the garage apartment at 3037 Mackland, NE, and that person who rents this garage apartment is named JIM MALLOY. She said that he has been there for approximately eight months and drives an old green Studebaker. She said that he was formerly employed for the Duke City Lumber Company and is presently unemployed as he and his wife have been separated for almost a year now. Mrs. AUBURG advised that as far as she is concerned MALLOY does not resemble subject JAMES EARL RAY, and after viewing the photographs of subject RAY, she advised the only physical resemblance of MALLOY to RAY would possibly be his hairline.

On 5/8/68, JAMES RICHARD MALLOY, 3037 Mackland, NE, Albuquerque, New Mexico, garage apartment, advised that he has been living at this address for approximately 8 months. He

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advised that he has lived in Albuquerque since 1949 and was employed by the Duke City Lumber Company in Albuquerque for 11 years before he was layed off last year. He said that he has held a few odd jobs since that time but is presently unemployed.

It was observed that MALLOY bore a similar resemblance to the subject RAY in that MALLOY's hairline is similar to that of photograph taken of subject RAY in California in February, 1968.

MALLOY furnished the following information regarding himself:

DOB	[REDACTED]
POB	West View, Pennsylvania
Height	5'8"
Weight	145 lbs.
Hair	Brown, short, receding hairline
Eyes	Blue
Scars and Tattoos	None
Peculiarities	Mole on left side of nose
Military	United States Army 1942-1945
Marital Status	Separated
Wife	MARGARET MALLOY 2904 Alvarado, NE Albuquerque, New Mexico Employed by the Atomic Energy Commission 312967
New Mexico Operator's License No.	
Automobile	1952 green Studebaker New Mexico License 2-11869

It is noted that MALLOY's ears and nose appeared normal and did not resemble the nose of subject RAY.

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AIR MAIL

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

ReWFOairtel 5/2/68.

On 5/6/68, IRMA MOTE, J. Ray McDermott and Co., Inc., Houston Club Building, advised as follows:

The McDermott Co., office and operation, Houston, is part of the oil division and is a domestic operation.

The International Division of McDermott is at New Orleans.

New Orleans handle lead, re airtel.

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TO : SAC (44-715) (P)

FROM : SA DONALD W. KUSULAS

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 5/8/68

Re Houston airtel to Bureau, 5/3/68.

On 5/6/68, BETTY JO MINSHALL, Office of Security, Telephone Company, advised that telephone number 243-1331, Albuquerque, New Mexico, is registered to the Women's Job Corps Center, 123 Fifth Street Northwest, Albuquerque, New Mexico, and they have had service since June, 1966. The General Manager of the Job Corps Center is listed as JOHN W. GAINES.

SA KUSULAS is handling above.

Mrs. MINSHALL advised that telephone number 864-8204, Belen, New Mexico, is registered to ROBERT E. LEE, 506 Coronado, Belen, New Mexico, and has had service since June 19, 1954. LEE is employed as a fireman for the Santa Fe Railroad in Belen.

SA BYRNES has been advised of the above and is handling.

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NEW PHOTO: Albuquerque FBI agents Tuesday released this recent picture of James Earl Ray, wanted in connection with the slaying of civil rights leader Dr. Martin Luther King. The FBI, although declining to say where it obtained the photograph, said it was taken in early February, 1968, in California. It supposedly was taken when Ray was using the alias of Eric Starvo Galt.

(Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

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Memorandum

TO : SAC (44-715) (P)

FROM : SA PAUL R. FARRELL

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 5/8/68

The following investigation was conducted by SA PAUL R. FARRELL:

At Las Cruces, New Mexico

On 5/3/68, MIKE C. BACA, 320 North Espina, advised that sometime in December, just before Christmas, which possibly could have been December 15, 1967, his daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. RUBEN S. ESCAMILLA, who were on a trip from Las Cruces to Brownsville, Texas, called him one morning from someplace in Texas, the purpose of the call being to advise him that they had safely gone through a snow storm. BACA was unable to advise which town in Texas the call was made from, but stated it very well could have been Alpine, Texas.

Inasmuch as the above call appears to be that of between relatives, no further investigation is being conducted.

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TO : SAC, (44-715)

FROM : SA HAROLD R. LIVERETT

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 5/4/68

Telephone number 745-3386 has been registered to NORBERTO RIOS, Box 97, Malaga, New Mexico, since 12/11/67. Mrs. RIOS was contacted on 5/3/68 by SA HAROLD R. LIVERETT and advised that she has two cousins, ISABELLE ACOSTA, Box 714, Alpine, Texas, and TOME FRANCO, Box 511, Alpine. Mrs. RIOS stated that ISABELLE often telephones her from Alpine from telephone booths, although she cannot specifically recall a telephone call on 12/17/67.

Sgt. PAT DARCY, Carlsbad, New Mexico, PD, advised on 5/3/68 that he has known NORBERTO RIOS for a number of years and knows him to be a conscientious, hard-working man of approximately 55 years of age. RIOS has never been in any type of trouble to DARCY's knowledge.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC (44-715) (P)

FROM : SA DONALD W. KUSULAS

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 5/8/68

Re Bureau teletype to All SAC's, 5/7/68.

On 5/7/68, photographs of subject RAY, taken in late January or early February, 1968, in California, were distributed to the following news media in Albuquerque:

KOB TV
GARY KANIN

KGGM TV
CLARENCE HOLGERSON

KOAT TV
ROGER BEIMER

ALBUQUERQUE TRIBUNE
RALPH LOONEY

ALBUQUERQUE JOURNAL
FRANK MC CARTY

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R/s with Ray's photographs
were sent to all Road Trip and
Resident agents for wide spread
distribution through all newspaper
media & 5/8/68
and TV media,

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To: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)
From: SAC, ALBUQUERQUE (44-715) (P)
Re: MURKIN
OO: MEMPHIS

Re telephone calls made by subject RAY en route from Los Angeles to New Orleans and Dallas teletype to Bureau, dated 5/3/68.

The following investigation was conducted by SA HAROLD R. LIVERETT:

Telephone number 745-3386 has been registered to NORBERTO RIOS, Box 97, Malaga, New Mexico, since 12/11/67. Mrs. RIOS was contacted on 5/3/68 by SA HAROLD R. LIVERETT and advised that she has two cousins, ISABELLE ACOSTA, Box 714, Alpine, Texas, and TOME FRANCO, Box 511, Alpine. Mrs. RIOS stated that ISABELLE often telephones her from Alpine from telephone booths, although she cannot specifically recall a telephone call on 12/17/67.

Sergeant PAT DARCY, Carlsbad, New Mexico, Police Department, advised on May 3, 1968, that he has known NORBERTO RIOS for a number of years and knows him to be a conscientious, hard-working man of approximately 55 years of age. RIOS has never been in any type of trouble to DARCY's knowledge.

Telephone number 526-2258 has been registered to MIKE C. BACA, 320 North Espina, Las Cruces, New Mexico, since March, 1959.

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The following investigation was conducted by SA PAUL R. FARRELL:

At Las Cruces, New Mexico

On 5/3/68, MIKE C. BACA, 320 North Espina, advised that sometime in December, just before Christmas, which possibly could have been December 15, 1967, his daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. RUBEN S. ESCAMILLA, who were on a trip from Las Cruces to Brownsville, Texas, called him one morning from someplace in Texas, the purpose of the call being to advise him that they had safely gone through a snow storm. BACA was unable to advise which town in Texas the call was made from, but stated it very well could have been Alpine, Texas.

Inasmuch as the above call appears to be that of between relatives, no further investigation is being conducted.

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Airtel

To: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)
From: SAC, ALBUQUERQUE (44-715) (P)
Re: MURKIN
OO: MEMPHIS

Re telephone calls made by subject RAY en route from Los Angeles to New Orleans and Houston airtel to Bureau, dated 5/3/68.

Telephone number 243-1331 has been registered to the Albuquerque Women's Job Corps Center, 123 Fifth Street Northwest, Albuquerque, since June, 1966.

On 5/6/68, JOHN W. GAINES, General Manager of the Job Corps Center, was contacted and he advised that it would be impossible to ascertain which one of the girls attending the Job Corps received a telephone call from Houston as there are over 200 girls presently enrolled at the center. He said about 30 of the girls are from the Houston area and since the call was made right before Christmas, he would assume one of the girls' parents were calling their daughter in Albuquerque to make arrangements for them to come home at Christmas.

Appropriate inquiry brought out that Belen phone 505-864-8204 was listed to ROBERT E. LEE, 506 Coronado, Belen, New Mexico. He was noted to be a fireman on the Santa Fe Railroad, and he obtained this phone number, June, 1954.

Inquiry of Officer LEO SAIS, Belen Police Department, 5/7/68, brought out that a Mr. ROBERT E. LEE of 506 Coronado,

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Belen, had on 1/31/68 reported the theft of a tire. No other data on record there. Mr. SAIS stated he did not know LEE.

Mr. FELIX QUINTANA, Ex-Chief of Police of the Police Department at Belen, and old-time resident of Belen, and years-ago employee of the Santa Fe Railroad, on 5/7/68, advised he did not know ROBERT E. LEE.

Mr. ROBERT E. LEE, 506 Coronado, Belen, New Mexico, on 5/7/68, advised his phone number is 864-8204. He has two sisters and a brother in Houston, Texas. His brother does not have a phone at home. His brother called him several months ago, possibly in December, 1967.

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Memo to SAC AQ ATTN SA KUSULAS 5/7/68

From D A Byrnes, SA

Re: MURKIN

Re info that a telephone call had been made 12/15/67 from Houston, Texas phone 468-9836 to 505-864-8204 (Belen NM).

Appropriate inquiry brought out that Belen phone 505-864-8204 was listed to Robert E. Lee, 506 Coronado, Belen NM. He was noted to be a fireman on the Santa Fe Railroad, and he obtained this phone number June 1954.

Inquiry of Officer Leo Sais, Belen PD 5/7/68 brought out that a Mr. Robert E. Lee of 506 Coronado Belen had on 1/31/68 reported the theft of a tire. No other data on record there. Mr. Sais stated he did not know Lee.

Mr. Felix Quintana, ex-chief of police of PD at Belen, and old time resident of Belen, and a years-ago employee of the Santa Fe Railroad, on 5/7/68 advised he did not know Robert E. Lee.

Mr. Robert E. Lee, 506 Coronado, Belen NM on 5/7/68 advised his phone number is 864-8204. He has two sisters and a brother in Houston, Texas. His brother does not have a phone at home. His brother called him several months ago, possibly in December 1967.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC (44-715) P

FROM : SA WIRT R. JONES

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 5/8/68

On 5/3/68, KEN KRAMERS, Plant Manager, Mountain States Telephone and Telegraph Company, Santa Fe, New Mexico, reported that Chief Operator LARETA SILTALA of 1837 Hano Street, Santa Fe, New Mexico, had informed him that her neighbor JOE H. MILLER, 1833 Hano Street, closely resembles JAMES EARL RAY.

It was determined that MILLER is an employee of the United States Public Health Service and he is on loan to the New Mexico Public Health and Welfare. He was interviewed at the office of this organization. It was noted that he is described as follows:

Height	6'1"
Hair	Brown
Eyes	Hazel
Born	[REDACTED]
	Ripley, Tennessee

This man has been continuously employed in Santa Fe for the past 12 months and he bears no physical resemblance to RAY whatsoever.

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

Re "Look Alike" Of Subject RAY On American Airlines
Flight 338 From Dallas to Philadelphia.

Re El Paso telephone call to Albuquerque, 5/2/68.

On 5/2/68, EARL C. MORRISON was interviewed at
1025 Larry Drive, Las Cruces, New Mexico, by Special Agent
PAUL R. FARRELL. MORRISON advised that he and his wife
GLADYS boarded a plane on 4/6/68 at El Paso, Texas, and left
at 6:00 AM for Dallas, Texas. At Dallas, they had to change
planes and boarded an American Airlines plane about 9:00 AM
for Baltimore.

Mr. MORRISON recalled sitting near the rear of the
plane because the kitchen was opposite his seat.

IO No. 4182 was displayed to MORRISON and he said
that the photographs meant nothing to him as he did not recall
any passengers resembling these photographs.

Mr. MORRISON stated that his wife is staying at
the Park Lane Hotel in Albuquerque and she is going to
undergo medical treatment tomorrow.

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On 5/2/68, Mrs. EARL (GLADYS) MORRISON was interviewed at the Park Lane Hotel, Room 18, 1701 Central, NE, Albuquerque, New Mexico, by Special Agent DONALD W. KUSULAS. Mrs. MORRISON advised that she and her husband flew from El Paso, Texas, on 4/6/68, to Baltimore, Maryland. They left El Paso about 6:00 AM and changed planes in Dallas, Texas, boarding an American Airlines plane around 9:00 AM. She said they sat near the center of the plane over one of the wings. She said that she recalls sitting in either 14-B or 15-B.

Mrs. MORRISON viewed IO No. 4182 and stated that the photographs did not resemble anyone she knew or had ever seen before. She said the photographs did not resemble any of the passengers. She stated that she recalls a man sitting either in front of her or next to her on the aisle who chewed his fingernails just like her husband. This man did not resemble the photograph of RAY.

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SAC, SAN FRANCISCO

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SAC, ALBUQUERQUE (44-715) P

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DALE MIZER, whose permanent address is 1431 West 35th Street, Wichita, Kansas, was interviewed at the De Vargas Hotel, Santa Fe, New Mexico, on 5/6/68, in response to his telephone call.

He related that while on the Santa Fe Chief coming from San Francisco, California, to Lamy, New Mexico, on 5/4/68, he sat next to an individual who resembles JAMES EARL RAY. He also rode on a bus from Lamy to Santa Fe, New Mexico, on 5/5/68, and he saw the same man in the bus station at Santa Fe. He also saw this individual leaving the La Fonda Hotel on 5/5/68.

MIZER advised that he is an artist and he closely observes the physical characteristics of persons around him. He explained that he had not seen a photograph of RAY until he, MIZER, was examining a copy of "Time" magazine in Santa Fe on the afternoon of 5/6/68.

MIZER did not obtain the name of the individual he was referring to but stated that the latter was wearing suede shoes, slacks of unrecalled color, and a gray houndstooth jacket, as well as wearing dark wrap-around type glasses at all times. MIZER stated that this man had a crew cut and that his hair was graying. He stated that the man's short mustache was partially gray. MIZER suspected that the color of the hair might have been artificial.

During the ride from San Francisco, California, to Lamy, New Mexico, this unknown male stated that he was from "the East Coast"; however, MIZER pointed out that this man had a deep tan unlike the residents of the East Coast. MIZER noted no physical peculiarities about this man and no regional accent.

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MIZER explained that the individual in question was carrying two suitcases and a zipper type suit bag when he left the bus at the La Fonda Hotel on the afternoon of 5/5/68, and the same man was seen leaving the La Fonda Hotel later without the luggage. By this means, MIZER reasoned that this man was staying overnight at the La Fonda Hotel.

Interviews of the desk clerks at the La Fonda Hotel on 5/6/68 disclosed that one man who slightly resembled the description given by MIZER registered after 3:00 PM on 5/5/68 and checked out on 5/6/68 at 12:30 PM.

Mrs. ALEX DURHAM, Room Clerk, checked this man out and she stated that he was much shorter than 5'10" and, in her opinion, he did not resemble photographs of RAY. The name in question registered as A. C. CORNZZIN, giving an address of Redwood City, California, and no street address.

JOHN MOYA, Bus Depot, Santa Fe, New Mexico, stated on 5/6/68 that he did not recall seeing the man in question on 5/5/68.

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SAN FRANCISCO DIVISION

AT REDWOOD CITY, CALIFORNIA

In view of the importance of the case, it is suggested that some inquiries be made in an effort to identify A. C. CORNZZIN, and if successful, ascertain if he is identical with RAY.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC(44-715)

FROM : SA Wirt R. Jones

SUBJECT: Murkin

DATE: 5/9/68

Re: Memos SAC to All Agents 4/26/68 and 5/1/68, and 4/24/68.

On 5/1/68 Driver Services Division, MVD, Santa Fe was contacted and Mary Ann Komero, searched her records concerning James Earl Ray and found no application for a license which was identifiable with him.

Preston Lee Monongye, Potential PSI advised me on 5/3/68 he is in close touch with the hippie colony in Santa Fe, but the subject is unknown to him.

Karen Mullins, Identification Division, New Mexico State Police, informed me on 5/8/68 her department does not maintain unidentified latent fingerprint files.

The local radio stations(in Santa Fe)have given wide publicity to Ray.

SUBJECT, RAY, SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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Addendum: On 4/29/68 Jack Byers, Business Agent, Local 716 Hotel, Restaurant and Bartenders Union advised he would be on the alert for Ray as an applicant to that local.

On 4/29/68 Lt. R. C. DeBaca, NMSP advised Ray is not a suspect in any armed robbery in the state to his knowledge.

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SUSPECT IN SLAYING: These two newly obtained photographs of James Earl Ray, ex-convict sought in the slaying of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., were released by the FBI. The photo showing Ray wearing dark

glasses was taken in Mexico in November, 1967, and the other photo was taken somewhere in California in late January or early February 1968.

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FROM CHICAGO (44-1114) 1P

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REMYTEL MAY SEVEN LAST.

RE LOOK ALIKE JAMES EARL RAY, LOS ANGELES INTERNATIONAL
AIRPORT, MAY THREE LAST.

FOLLOWING ADDITIONAL UNITED AIR LINES (UAL) FLIGHTS
CHECKED MAY NINE LAST: FIVE SEVEN ONE, MAY ONE; TWO FOUR
THREE, MAY ONE; ONE SIX THREE, MAY TWO; ONE SIX NINE, MAY
ONE AND TWO; WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS RE CARL RAY. REMAINING
FLIGHTS TO BE CHECKED: THREE FIVE NINE, MAY TWO; FIVE SEVEN
ONE, MAY TWO; EIGHT FIVE SEVEN, MAY ONE.

RE TEL INCORRECTLY STATED FLIGHT FIVE SEVEN ONE AS EIGHT
SEVEN ONE. CORRECT FLIGHT IS FIVE SEVEN ONE.

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MA To: All SACS and LEGATS
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MURKIN
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In connection with the captioned case there has been speculation that James Earl Ray concocted the alias of Eric Starvo Galt by combining the names of characters from books by Ian Fleming and from a book "Atlas Shrugged" by Ayn Rand. This speculation is based on the fact that in the James Bond books by Ian Fleming there is a character named Ernst Stavro Blofield and in "Atlas Shrugged" there is a character named John Galt, as well as one named Eric Starnes. Ernst Stavro Blofield is a formidable person, John Galt is a "social drop out" and Eric Starnes is described in the book as a "whiner" from a low-class family.

In view of the above and in order that Agents handling this investigation can be alert to the possibility of Ray's utilizing an alias based on characters in Fleming's books, there is set out as an attachment to this airtel a list of various characters in those books for your assistance.

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CASINO ROYALE

James Bond	Smyert Shpionam	Monsieur Sixte
de Villorin	Goytchev	Lord Danvers
Duclos	Garrad-Jones	Carmel Delane
Dasilva	Petchora	Signor Tomelli
Clements	Donovan	Rene Mathis
Caffery	Harthrop-Vane	Monsieur Versoix
Fawcett	Ventnor	Adolph Gettler
Herr Nummer	Mace	Herr Gettler
Herr Ziffer	Savarin	
Smersh	Mathis	
Deauville	Charles Dasilva	
Le Touquet	Kingston	
Zographos	Monsieur Muntz	
Cypher	Trouville	
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