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AIR MAIL - REGISTERED

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)
RE: MURKIN

ReButel 4/14/68.

Pursuant to instructions as set forth in reButel, enclosed herewith are four (4) copies each of FD-302's containing information of a positive nature.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861) ATTN: FBI Laboratory
FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)
RE: MURKIN

RE: SUE AND THOMAS M. FLIKKID

Pursuant to Bureau request, there is enclosed herewith a plastic envelope containing the following documents, which were obtained by SAs THEODORE M. GARDNER and FREDERICK E. BECKER during the course of interview with Miss SYLVIA BLANK, Manager, Gramercy Park Apartments, 1831 Gramercy Place, Hollywood, California, on 4/12/68:

- (1) One 3 X 5 white piece of note paper, bearing the following inscription:
"Keys from 303. Sorry we could not get to know you better, Mr. Flikkidd."
- (2) One Rental Application, dated 5/17/67, signed by tenant, THOMAS FLIKKID.
- (3) One Standard Rent Agreement, dated 12/5/67, for apartment 303, signed by Gramercy Park Apartments lessor agent, EVELYN SMITH, and by lessee, THOMAS M. FLIKKID.

4 - Bureau (AM)(RM)(Encls. 3)
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The above documents were placed in the above mentioned plastic envelope by SA GARDNER after he had previously placed the inscription, "4/12/68, TMB, LA, CALIF.", on the back upper left hand corner of each document.

The enclosures are being furnished to FBI Laboratory with request that the handwriting be compared with the handwriting of ERIC STARVO GALT and LOWMEYER.

The Rental Application and Standard Rent Agreement should be returned upon completion of the examination.

Pursuant to request of the Bureau there are enclosed two Standard Oil Company of California - Chevron maps, one of which is a street map for Los Angeles and one is a map for California. The enclosed maps are being submitted for comparison against any maps which were found in the abandoned 1966 white Mustang. The maps were obtained from H. Beckman Chevron Service Station, 1501 North Normandie Avenue, Los Angeles, the station where the Mustang was serviced on 2/13/68.

It should be noted that these are the only maps carried by the H. Beckman Service Station and are given free of charge upon request.

Also enclosed for the Bureau is a pair of black woman's high heeled shoes, which were obtained from Miss SYLVIA BLANK on 4/13/68, by SA WILLIAM S. BURTON. The shoes were found in Apartment 303 by Miss BLANK during cleaning operation.

The shoes were placed in the enclosed envelope by SA BURTON after he had put the initials WSB and dated 4/13/68, in the heel of both shoes.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)
RE: MURKIN

Enclosed herewith is one roll of film furnished by CHARLES STEIN to SAs WILLIAM JOHN SLICKS and RICHARD H. ROSS on 4/14/68. STEIN advised that he examined his possessions and in doing so found this roll of film. STEIN stated he is not sure whether this roll contains any photographs of his trip to New Orleans with ERIC S. GALT, but furnished same for investigative purposes of FBI.

The Laboratory is requested to develop enclosed film, furnish prints to Los Angeles, and any other interested offices.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, ATLANTA (44-2386) DATE: 4/16/68

FROM : SA ALDEN F. MILLER

SUBJECT: MURKIN

MRS. MINNIE BAILEY, 922 Myrtle Street, telephone TR 2-2829, called and reported two people who rented cottage apartment at that address on 4/7/68. They departed on 4/14/68. They were from Virginia but MRS. BAILEY does not know their names. Numerous beer cans around in the apartment. One of the individuals resembles composite photo of GALT appearing in recent newspapers in connection with MURKIN. MRS. BAILEY advised that she would withhold cleaning up room until an agent or someone contacted her further in this matter.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, ATLANTA 44-2386

DATE: 4-16-68

FROM : Complaint Clerk Jerry D. Roseberry

SUBJECT: MURKIN

BETTY CHAMBERS, United Airlines ticket counter, Inntown Motor Hotel (old Dinkler Motor Inn), 523-1411 ext. 231, called at 8:45 am today and advised as follows:

On 4-12-68 an individual using the name GENE HUDSON checked into the Inntown Motor Hotel without luggage and stayed until 4-15-68. During this time period HUDSON did not have any visitors or make any phone calls. When he left he had two paper sacks rolled up containing his clothing.

When he checked in HUDSON did not give a home address or employment. Hotel records indicate that he was there on 3/28 or 29 and gave a home address of Dogwood Drive, Charleston, S.C.

CHAMBERS stated she believes the picture of subject sought in captioned case shown on television 4-15-68 looks similar to HUDSON. She described HUDSON as w/m, 27-34 years, 5'11", 175 lbs., brown hair.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, ATLANTA 44-2386

DATE: 4-16-68

FROM : Complaint Clerk Jerry D. Roseberry

SUBJECT: MURKIN

REV. PHIL ANDERSON, employed by WAVO Radio, 378-8808, home telephone 938-7089, called at 9:28 am this date and advised that on 4-12-68 around 2:30 pm his wife overheard a man in a car make the statement, "When they burn Atlanta down I will laugh like hell." She heard this while she was in her car in front of the Ga. Baptist Professional Building on Boulevard.

Mrs. ANDERSON believes this man looks like the artist conception of unsub in captioned case. Mrs. ANDERSON may be contacted at 634-3381.

Mrs. ANDERSON did not get any tag numbers or descriptions of vehicle.

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12:16 AM URGENT 4/16/68 LBN

TO DIRECTOR, BIRMINGHAM, MEMPHIS, LOS ANGELES, DETROIT, CHARLOTTE
FROM ATLANTA (44-2386) (P)

MURKIN.

RE ATLANTA TEL, APRIL FIFTEEN, RE INTERVIEW WITH JIMMIE
DELTON GARNER.

GARNER IS A MAN ABOUT SIXTY YEARS OF AGE WHOSE WHOLE
LIFE SEEMS TO ORBIT AROUND HIS RESTAURANT AND ROOMING HOUSE
OPERATIONS. HE CALLS TENANTS BY ROOM NUMBER RATHER THAN BY
NAME. HE IS FAR MORE INTERESTED IN WEEKLY STIPEND HE RECEIVES
FROM TENANTS RATHER THAN THEIR ACTIVITIES. HE ADMITTED
ATTEMPTING TO CONCEAL THE EXISTENCE OF GALT'S TV SET SINCE HE
FELT IT WOULD BE HIS IF GALT DID NOT RETURN. HIS INITIAL
DECEPTION IN PRIOR INTERVIEW APPEARS TO STEM FROM THIS MOTIVE
RATHER THAN ANY ACTION ON GALT'S PART.

GARNER NOW INSISTS THAT HE WILL COOPERATE FULLY. HE
WAS QUIZZED IN GREAT DETAIL OVER ALL ASPECTS OF PRIOR STORIES
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AND CLAIMS HE IS CERTAIN THERE IS NO ASSOCIATION BETWEEN ROOMERS LEE, ANDERSON AND GALT. WITH REGARD TO JONES, HE FEELS JONES WAS TRUTHFUL WHEN HE SAID HE DID NOT KNOW MAN RESIDING IN ROOM NUMBER TWO. ROOM NUMBER TWO WAS OCCUPIED BY GALT. IN ESSENCE, GARNER'S STORY RE GALT'S ACTIVITIES IS AS FOLLOWS:

ERIC S. GALT CHECKED INTO GARNER'S ROOMING HOUSE MARCH TWENTYFOUR LAST. HE PAID TEN DOLLARS IN ADVANCE THROUGHT MARCH THREE ONE LAST. HE DROVE IN A WHITE CAR WHICH HE PARKED IN THE REAR OF THE APARTMENTS. ONE OF HIS PERMANENT TENANTS WHO PARKS IN THE SAME AREA ADVISED GARNER THE CAR WAS A WHITE MUSTANG. ON MARCH THREE ONE LAST, GALT PAID ANOTHER WEEK IN ADVANCE.

GARNER TALKED TO GALT ONLY TWICE AND SAW HIM ONLY TWICE. GARNER HAD VERY LITTLE TO SAY TO HIM. GALT LIVED IN ROOM TWO. ACCORDING TO GARNER, GALT HAD A LOT OF "STUFF", INCLUDING A TV. GARNER LET HIM USE A SMALL STORAGE ROOM ADJACENT TO GALT'S ROOM. ON FRIDAY, APRIL FIVE LAST, WHEN THE LINENS
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WERE CHANGED IN GALT'S ROOM, HE FOUND A NOTE FROM GALT TO GARNER WHICH GARNER HAS SINCE DESTROYED. THIS NOTE SAID IF EFFECT "I HAVE TO GO TO BIRMINGHAM. CAN'T TAKE THE TV NOW. WILL TRY TO GET BACK IN A WEEK TO PICK IT UP."

AGENTS OBTAINED GUEST REGISTER WHICH DOES NOT CONTAIN THE NAME OF GALT OR AND ENVELOP WHEREON GALT PRINTED NAME ERIC S. GALT WHEN HE CHECKED IN. GALT WAS A WALK-IN TENANT SINCE ONLY ADVERTISING GARNER HAS IS SIGNS IN FRONT OF ROOMING HOUSES.

GARNER WAS RE-INTERVIEWED ON THE AFTERNOON OF APRIL FIFTEEN AND DID NOT FURNISH ANY SUBSTANTIAL INFORMATION DIFFERENT FROM THAT FURNISHED IN HIS SECOND INTERVIEW. TV SET, MAPS AND OTHER THINGS FOUND IN STORAGE ROOM BEING SUBMITTED TO FBI LAB.

INTERVIEW OF TENANTS AT ONE ZERO SEVEN AND ONE ONE THREE FOURTEENTH STREET, N.E., ATLANTA:

DURING AFTERNOON OF APRIL FIFTEEN LAST, PRESENT RESIDENTS AT ONE ZERO SEVEN AND ONE ONE THREE FOURTEENTH STREET,
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N.E., WERE INTERVIEWED RE GALT. NONE OF THE PERSONS INTERVIEWED
COULD RECALL GALT OR FURNISH ANY INFO ABOUT HIM. ONE PERSON
DID STATE HE WAS ANNOYED BECAUSE THE OWNER OF A MUSTANG WHO
LIVED THERE FOR A SHORT TIME WAS IN THE HABIT OF PARKING IT
IN SUCH A WAY THAT OTHER CARS WOULD HAVE DIFFICULTY PARKING.

THIS CASE RECEIVING TOP PRIORITY ATTENTION. BUREAU
AND INTERESTED OFFICES WILL BE KEPT ADVISED OF PERTINENT
RESULTS.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date April 16, 1968

At approximately 4:04 p.m., April 11, 1968, a white Ford Mustang, two door, subsequently determined to be a 1966 model was observed in the following location. This vehicle was located in parking area number nine of Capitol Homes, a public housing project in the City of Atlanta, Georgia. Parking area number nine is entered west off of Connally Street between Memorial Drive and Woodward Avenue. Above vehicle was backed into a position about six parking squares on the left from the front entrance of the parking area.

External observation of the above 1966 Mustang determined that same bore 1968 Alabama license 1-38993. Also this observation determined that a 1967 Alabama license 1A-88354 was laying on the shelf above the rear seat.

On 4/11/68 at Atlanta, Georgia File # Atlanta 44-2386-401

by SA JACK KEITH, JR.
SA JOHN J. LANGSFELD JJJ:sja Date dictated 4/15/68

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4:35 P

URGENT 4/15/68 HJM

TO DIRECTOR 44-38861 AND KANSAS CITY
FROM ATLANTA 44-2386 1 P

MURKIN.

RE BIRMINGHAM TEL TO BUREAU DATED APRIL ELEVEN LAST AT
SIX FORTY ONE PM.

W.D. POUNDER, CLAIMS MANAGER, RETAIL CREDIT CO.,
HEADQUARTERS, ADVISED TODAY THAT HIS RECORDS INDICATE
JOHN D. WILLARD REFERRED TO IN RETEL, WAS LOCATED BY RETAIL
CREDIT CO. "IN KANSAS CITY AREA" ON FEB. ONE NINETEEN SIXTY THREE AND THAT
RETAIL CREDIT CO. SUBSCRIBER, ALLIED BUILDING CREDITS CORP.,
LOS ANGELES, CALIF. WAS NOTIFIED.

RETAIL CREDIT CO. DETERMINE WILLARD HAD LIVED AT TWO EIGHT
TWO EIGHT CHERRY ST., TWO NINE TWO EIGHT HOLMES ST., AND
EIGHT THREE TWO NORTH CHESTNUT ST., ALL IN KANSAS CITY, MO.

AIRMAIL SENT MEMPHIS.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date April 16, 1968

Detective R. L. DAVIS, Auto Theft Squad, Atlanta, Georgia Police Department, advised that he and Detective P. S. MC CRAVY, also assigned to the Atlanta Police Department Auto Theft Squad, were in a radio car on April 11, 1968, and at approximately 2:00 p.m., on that date received a radio message to proceed to Connally Street and Memorial Drive to meet a person. They proceeded to this intersection and on arriving there met KENNETH JONES and IKE POWELL who indicated to them they were ministers in a local church. Mr. JONES informed them that a female member of their church by the name of LORENE, last name unrecalled, had told them that a white Mustang automobile bearing an Alabama license was parked in a parking area of Capitol Homes and in view of the recent publicity concerning the killing of MARTIN LUTHER KING, she suspected that this vehicle might have some connection with this matter. This car reportedly had been parked in the same location since the previous Friday and was not known to belong to anyone living in the Capitol Homes public housing project.

Detective DAVIS said he and Detective MC CRAVY proceeded to the parking area of the Capitol Homes which had an entrance off of Connally Street just south of Memorial Drive. In this parking area, they located a 1966 Ford Mustang which was backed into a parking space on the left side of the parking area. He said they noted that this car was a two door model, white in color, and bore 1968 Alabama license 1-38993. Further, they observed a 1967 Alabama license 1A-88354 lying on the deck above the rear seat of this car. They noted that this car was locked and in order to further determine ownership of same, they unlocked the left front door and from the serial plate on this vehicle determined that it bore Vehicle Identification Number 6T07C190647. Detective DAVIS advised that while obtaining this identification number, he observed a small metal key lying on the floorboard of the car between the two front seats. Detective DAVIS said he took custody of this key and marked same with

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by SA JOHN J. LANGSFELD
SA JOHN B. REYNOLDS/JJL:els Date dictated 4/16/68

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his initials and also dated same. He stated that it was about one and three quarters inches long and was made out of thin, flat metal of a silver color. He stated he did not observe any numbers or markings on the key when he located same.

Detective DAVIS said that in order to determine ownership of this car, he sent the information concerning the license plates and the Vehicle Identification Number to the National Crime Information Center but subsequently determined that one digit was either deleted or incorrectly sent in this message. He said that he also had a message sent to the State Police in Montgomery, Alabama, concerning the license plates described above and the Vehicle Identification Number to which message a reply was received indicating that the Alabama State Police had received a reply from the National Crime Information Center concerning this vehicle relating to one ERIC STARVO GALT but no stolen information was received.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC (44-2386)

FROM : SA JAMES J. ROSE

SUBJECT: MURKIN
CR
(OO: MEMPHIS)

DATE: 4/16/68

Re: Map Found in Apartment 113, 14th Street, NE, Atlanta, Ga.

During interview of Mr. JIMMY D. GARNER and subsequent search of his premises at 113 14th Street, a map thought to belong to suspect ERIC GALT was located in which a circle was noted in the vicinity of Ponce de Leon Terrace and Highland View at Atlanta, Georgia.

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AT ATLANTA, GEORGIA

Will contact U. S. Postal Inspectors in an effort to determine P. O. Sub-Station which covers area of the map as indicated above.

Secondly, will contact P. O. Sub-Station as determined from prior lead and attempt to determine if any mail or correspondence has been retained for ERIC GALT, if GALT has a P. O. box at that sub-station, and determine if there are any records which reflect correspondence emanating from that Post Office in the name of ERIC GALT.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC (44-2386)

DATE: 4/16/68

FROM : SA JAMES J. ROSE

SUBJECT: MURKIN
(OO: MEMPHIS)

Re: (FNU) HOLCOMB

It should be noted that numerous occupants of Capital Homes, located on Memorial Drive, have made reference to a Mr. HOLCOMB who indicated that he had been in the Memphis area when Dr. KING was shot and killed, had observed a man raise a rifle from a window and thought he was just shooting at a Negro and not KING, and that he had been approached by a man who offered him \$100,000 to help him get away. In view of the above information, the following lead is being set forth for HOLCOMB's interview:

LEAD:

AT ATLANTA, GEORGIA

Will locate and interview (FNU) HOLCOMB, exact address unknown, Capital Homes apartments and obtain details of his story and attempt to determine his competence in order that this matter can be resolved.

Lead assigned to SA KENNEDY.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC (44-2386)

DATE: 4/16/68

FROM : SA ALDEN F. MILLER

SUBJECT: MURKIN
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(OO: MEMPHIS)

Mr. HALGERSON, Bureau Supervisor, telephonically requested at 10:30 p.m. that on 4/16/68, file of KING be reviewed so that as complete as possible an itinerary of M. L. KING might be reconstructed for period April 1, 2, and 3, 1968. This should be furnished telephonically to MERLIN GEHRING, Extension 2074, at the Bureau, who is drawing as nearly as possible comparative itineraries for KING and GALT.

Lead assigned to SA SENTINELLA.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC (44-2386)

FROM : SA ALDEN F. MILLER

SUBJECT: MURKIN
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(OO: MEMPHIS)

DATE: 4/16/68

Early this date, one BOB CATO, Greens Trailer Park, Doraville, Ga., postal address but actually located in Norcross, Georgia (5th or 6th trailer from entrance on left - pink and white trailer) advised he was drunk or else he would not be calling - CATO stated he served in Marine Corps with a Corporal GALT who he believed might be person involved in KING murder.

He advised Cpl. GALT and he were contemporaries having served together from 1961 - 1962 at Camp Pendleton, California, and also in Okinawa. He advised he has photographs of GALT from this period of time.

He described GALT as having strong hatred of Negroes and one whot fits physical description and appearance of artist's conception. Cited following examples of GALT's hatred:

On one occasion, a ruckus occurred in barracks - heard GALT yell out "Shoot the bastard, he's running." Investigating, he found GALT and a JACK HANDS of Rockingham, North Carolina, in hall where they had 11 Negroes lined up to kill until CATO interferred.

On another occasion, a group of Negroes ganged up on GALT and threw him off a balcony several stories high.

CATO advised he is an interior decorator (painter) and would be at his trailer from 5:00 - 5:30 p.m. on 4/16/68, at which time he believes he has photographs of GALT in Marines which he will make available.

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CATO advised GALT has slight Southern accent, but does not recall his home address or other details.

LEAD:

AT NORCROSS, GEORGIA

Will contact CATO for snapshots and additional information, it being noted CATO was intoxicated at time of call. Develop additional data re associates in Corps and set out appropriate leads.

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