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"MURKIN"

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On April 19, 1968, Mr. WILLIAM MEULLER, Adult Probation Officer, Fulton County Probation Department, Atlanta, Georgia, advised that AARON BENNER HOLCOMB was due to report to his probation officer on this date. He stated that HOLCOMB would report on the first floor of the new criminal court building in Atlanta, Georgia. MEULLER placed a stop for HOLCOMB at this desk and stated that he would get in touch with the FBI immediately should HOLCOMB appear.

At 3:00 p.m. SA WILLIAM V. KENNEDY and SA ROBERT J. KOLEVAR waited at the Adult Probation Office in the new Criminal Court Building until it closed at 5:00 p.m. HOLCOMB did not report for probation on that date.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date April 22, 1968

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On April 19, 1968, Mr. WILLIAM MEULLER, Adult Probation Office, Fulton County Probation Department, Atlanta, Georgia, advised that he was familiar with the case of AARON BENNER HOLCOMB. He advised that HOLCOMB has been handled by the Adult Probation Office before and that he is presently on probation after having been arrested and convicted of larceny from house in Atlanta, Georgia. He has been on probation with the department from April 4, 1968. Mr. MEULLER advised that his records reflected that HOLCOMB is now residing at 68 Rawson Street, Southeast, Apartment 48, Atlanta, Georgia.

Mr. MEULLER further advised that he could account for HOLCOMB's time up until 12:30 p.m. on April 4, 1968. He stated that on this date, HOLCOMB was in court and was also in the process of pleading the procedures for probation. He advised, however, that after 12:30 p.m. on that date HOLCOMB left the court house and MEULLER had no idea of his whereabouts after that time. MEULLER added, however, that a person on probation is not allowed to leave the State of Georgia without permission of the probation officer.

MEULLER further advised that a psychological report was conducted regarding HOLCOMB and that it was found that this individual had a marginal touch with reality, was of moronic intelligence, and has a pre-occupation with sex. MEULLER advised that he could not be considered a trustworthy individual.

MEULLER further stated that HOLCOMB was due for his monthly visit to the probation office on this date. He stated that it would be possible for Agents to talk to this individual when he reported into his probation officer.

On 4/19/68 at Atlanta, Georgia File # Atlanta 44-2386-1002
by SA ROBERT J. KOLEVAR and
SA WILLIAM V. KENNEDY WVK:bjc Date dictated 4/22/68

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Date April 22, 1968

Mrs. MARIE DOMINICK, 1076 Cumberland Road, Northeast, Atlanta, Georgia, furnished the following information:

Mrs. DOMINICK advised that on April 5, 1968, at about 12:00 p.m., she put out a sign on her front lawn advertising that she had a furnished apartment for rent. At about 4:00 p.m. that same day, a man knocked on her door and asked to see the apartment that she had to rent. Mrs. DOMINICK stated that she thought at first that the man was a salesman but then realized that he was there to see the apartment. She asked him how many people he had in his family and he stated that there was just himself. Mrs. DOMINICK told him that it was a three room apartment and that she was asking \$95 a month. The man still insisted on seeing the apartment and was quite worried about whether Mrs. DOMINICK had any problem with bugs in the apartment. He told Mrs. DOMINICK that he had gotten "hooked" on apartments that were just full of roaches. Mrs. DOMINICK told him that she had a contract with an exterminating company and the apartment was regularly sprayed. The man told Mrs. DOMINICK that he lived within the 1600 block of Briarcliff Road near LaVista and that his rent was going to be up April 11, 1968, and that he would need another apartment at that time. The man advised Mrs. DOMINICK that he was a vacuum cleaner salesman and worked for Electro-Lux Vacuum Cleaner Company.

Mrs. DOMINICK advised that she sat and talked with the man for about 45 minutes and they discussed the vacuum cleaner business and also the market value of Negro property, which he was interested in buying. He seemed very anxious to ask Mrs. DOMINICK about her estimates on the amount of profit that could be made from buying Negro property and renting it out. Mrs. DOMINICK stated that the man was driving a black Volkswagen convertible with a black top, but the year model of the car was not known to her.

On 4/18/68 at Atlanta, Georgia File # Atlanta 44-2386 *1003*
by SA PAUL LEE MILLER *PLM:bjc* Date dictated 4/22/68

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Mrs. DOMINICK furnished the following description of the individual:

Race	White
Sex	Male
Age	30 to 33
Height	6'
Weight	180 lbs.
Eyes	Blue
Hair	Brown, long in the front
Distinguishing Characteristics	Southern accent
Dress	Dark suit and tie

Mrs. DOMINICK advised that she cannot remember the name of the individual, but does remember that this individual told her that he was married and divorced. He also advised her that he had been in the Marine Corps and that he was originally from Texas. He had said that he was living at Briarcliff Road for three months, since he had just gotten out of the Marine Corps. The individual was anxious to rent the apartment by the week. The only time that he wrote anything down was when he took out a flat book to write down Mrs. DOMINICK's telephone number. The individual told Mrs. DOMINICK that he would call her in a few weeks to let her know about the apartment.

Mrs. DOMINICK viewed a series of photographs, including that of ERIC STARVO GALT and picked out the photograph of GALT as being the individual who looked like the man who examined the apartment. Mrs. DOMINICK stated that she was sure this was the man who was there and advised that she would immediately contact the Atlanta Office of the FBI if this man should try to recontact her in any way.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC (44-2386)

DATE: 4/22/68

FROM : IC MARION W. DAVIS

SUBJECT: MURKIN
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Mrs. BARBARA WAGER, Georgia State Motor Vehicle Bureau, Title Section, Atlanta, advised this date she could locate no record identifiable with subject under his true name and all known aliases, as well as variations that could be identifiable.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC (44-2386)

FROM : IC MARION W. DAVIS

SUBJECT: MURKIN
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DATE: 4/22/68

Mrs. THELMA TURNER, Georgia State Department of Public Safety, Drivers License Bureau, advised IC MARION W. DAVIS that an extensive and thorough search of all the files of her department for Subject RAY under his true name and all aliases and variations, failed to reflect a driver's license issued.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, ATLANTA (44-2386)

DATE: 4/22/68

FROM : SA FRANCIS A. BURNS JR
COLUMBUS RA

SUBJECT: MURKIN

At approximately 11:15PM on 4/21/68, Mrs DOROTHY PHILIPPS, 413 Henson Avenue, Columbus, Georgia, telephonically contacted the writer and requested that the writer come to her home concerning an incident which took place in Eufaula, Alabama, that afternoon.

Mrs PHILIPPS stated that at about 3:30PM (Alabama time) on 4/21/68, while she and her family were eating in a restaurant in Eufaula, she noticed a man enter the restaurant and sit at a nearby table. She said that this man did not pass along the buffet table and one of the waitresses approached him and asked if he wanted her to get the food for him. The man told her to secure enough food for two people and that he wanted to take it with him.

At this point, the waitress secured one platter of meats while another waitress secured another. The first waitress took the platter back to him and showed it to him and he approved the choice. Mrs PHILIPPS said that she was looking at the man because of his attitude and his unusual behavior. She said that he kept to himself and turned away from her view.

After the waitress brought the three platters to him they wrapped them in foil and after one of them accepted payment from him at the cash register, she accompanied him to his car which Mrs PHILIPPS believed was parked outside the restaurant. Mrs PHILIPPS could not see the car nor if anyone was in the car, but, she heard it start off with either a defective muffler or "straight" pipes.

Mrs PHILIPPS said that she did not think too much of the incident until she returned home late in the evening and read the Saturday newspaper and observed the picture of ERIC GAULT which was taken in 1959. She said that the features closely resembled this picture.

Mrs PHILIPPS described this individual as follows:

SEX: Male
RACE: White
AGE: 35 to 40
HEIGHT: 5'8" to 5'10"

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WEIGHT: 155 to 160
HAIR: Dark brown or black, close cropped
EYES: Blue
SCARS OR
MARKS: None observed
CLOTHING: Wearing dark business suit with shirt and tie,
suit appear to be light weight of possibly silk
composition

Mrs. PHILIPPS said that the restaurant in which she and her family were at the time she observed the above individual was on Highway #431, in Eufaula and was named either "Dixie" or Rebel. She said that it was connected with a motel and was just past the railroad tracks in town, near a hill.

Mrs PHILIPPS said that most striking item which made her remember the man as against the picture in the newspaper was his nose which was pointed and had a slight upward pitch to it at the end.

The above information was telephonically furnished to SA JOHN G. SULLIVAN at AT. Upon subsequent instructions, the above information was telephonically furnished to SA CHILLITON CREASON, Union Springs RA, who advised that he would contact personnel at the restaurant in Eufaula on 4/22/68.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC (44-2386)

DATE: April 22, 1968

FROM : SA Alden F. Miller

SUBJECT: MURKIN

On April 22, 1968, Mr. Kenneth Troup, 2879 Allegro Dr. NW, Atlanta, Ga., phone 799-6654 advised SA Roger Kaas that he is a teacher at the W. A. Ware Elementary School, on Hunter Street.

This date a student turned in a billfold containing a Drivers License in the name of William D. Wood Jr., 1315 Cypress Dr. Atlanta, Ga., which license contained a photo of licensee. TROUP stated that the photo of WOOD bore a striking resemblance to the 1st photo or artists conception publicly printed. He advised that he would take this billfold to school with him tomorrow if an agent would come by and pick it up.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, ATLANTA 44-2386

DATE: 4-23-68

FROM : Complaint Clerk Jerry D. Roseberry

SUBJECT: MURKIN

WILLIE SMITH, 98 Ashby Street, S.W., 758-0160, called at 10:00 am today and advised that about 20 minutes ago he had observed a man get off the bus in Sandy Springs and walk down Mt. Vernon Road. He feels this man looks like subject RAY. This man got on bus number 5 at Broad street downtown. He was wearing a black suit with whiteshirt having black pin stripes.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

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

FROM : SA JOHN P. GRANFIELD

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 4/23/68

On April 17, 18, and 19, 1968, neighborhood inquiries in the following areas were made concerning captioned matter and subject this investigation with negative results:

<u>NUMBER AND STREET NAME</u>	<u>AGENT(S) CONDUCTING NEIGHBORHOOD INVESTIGATION</u>
755-1015 Adair Ave., NE	SA's JOHN G. SULLIVAN and STEPHEN L. HALPIN
Adrian St., NE	SA's ARTHUR L. MURTAGH and RAYMOND J. MICHEL
851-906 Arlington Place, NE	SA's ROBERT K. LEWIS and RICHARD J. CIECKA
Barnett St., NE (Ponce de Leon Ave. to 793 Barnett)	SA's JOSEPH PATRICK AYERS and TRAVIS L. LYNCH
797-987 Barnett)	SA's CHARLES F. ROESENER and MARION E. CHEEK
727-788 Bonaventure Ave., NE	SA's JAMES R. RIORDAN and RICHARD D. RACKLEFF
1091-1192 Briarcliff Place, NE	SA's LEWIS and CIECKA
847-900 B Briarcliff Terr., NE	SA's WILLIAM V. KENNEDY and MICHEL

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<u>NUMBER AND STREET NAME</u>	<u>AGENT(S) CONDUCTING NEIGHBORHOOD INVESTIGATION</u>
742-850 Clermont Dr., NE	SA's CIECKA and LEWIS
749-839 Crestridge Dr., NE	SA's JAMES R. RIORDAN and RACKLEFF
Deleon St., NE	SA's LEWIS and CIECKA
Drewry St., NE 675-900	SA's SCOTT T. FENSTERMAKER and STANLEY R. KEEL
903-1040	SA's RACKLEFF and RIORDAN
733-841 Frederica St., NE	SA's KEEL and FENSTERMAKER
1027-1055 Greencove Ave., NE	SA's LEWIS and CIECKA
Greenwood Ave., NE 661-842	SA's THOMAS J. BARRETT and THOMAS C. RENAGHAN, JR.
856-960	SA's AYERS, LYNCH, and ROESENER
964-1044	SA's KEEL and FENSTERMAKER
Highland View Dr., NE 881-972	SA's DONALD F. TACKITT and JAMES JOSEPH DOLAN
973-1028	SA's MICHEL and MURTAGH
1045-1147 Hudson Dr., NE	SA's WILLIAM B. WATTS, JR., and BRIAN FRANCIS O'SHEA
969-1073 Lanier Blvd.	SA's WATTS and O'SHEA
855-1131 Los Angeles, Ave., NE	SA's BARRETT and RENAGHAN

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<u>NUMBER AND STREET NAME</u>	<u>AGENT(S) CONDUCTING NEIGHBORHOOD INVESTIGATION</u>
Maiden Lane, NE (No places of business or homes)	
1034-1066 Maryland Ave., NE	SA's WATTS and O'SHEA
N. Highland Ave. (From intersection Ponce de Leon Avenue, NE, to 1071)	SA's ROBERT L. MC FALL and THOMAS R. HENRY, JR.
717-755 Park Drive, NE	SA's HENRY and MC FALL
Ponce de Leon Place, NE 712-785	SA's ROBERT G. PARKER and WILLIAM D. COCHRAN
790-933	SA's TACKITT and DOLAN
736-854 Ponce de Leon Terr., NE	SA's WATTS and O'SHEA
665-697 Pylant St., NE	SA's MICHEL and MURTAGH
Ranier Pl., NE (Entire street)	SA's CIECKA and LEWIS
1052-1141 Rosedale Dr., NE	SA's PARKER and COCHRAN
945-991 Rupley Ave., NE	SA's MICHEL and KENNEDY
1078-1168 St. Augustus Pl., NE	SA's HALPIN and SULLIVAN
St. Charles Avenue, NE 1078-1168	SA's RIORDAN and RACKLEFF
879-996	SA's HENRY and MICHEL
1000-1060	SA's KEEL and FENSTERMAKER

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<u>NUMBER AND STREET NAME</u>	<u>AGENT(S) CONDUCTING NEIGHBORHOOD INVESTIGATION</u>
1070-1174 St. Charles Pl., NE	SA's HENRY and MC FALL
1073-1182 St. Louis Pl., NE	SA's LEWIS and CIECKA
919-1000 Todd Rd., NE	SA's MURTAGH and MICHEL
1035-1066 Vance Ave., NE	SA's O'SHEA and WATTS
Virginia Ave., NE 636-1004	SA's FENSTERMAKER and KEEL
1016-1136	SA's RACKLEFF and RIORDAN
Virginia Circle, NE 731-956	SA's ROESENER, AYERS, and CHEEK
14th St., NE (South side between Peachtree and Piedmont, NE -	SA's COCHRAN, CHEEK, and LEWIS
North side between Peachtree and Edmont, NE)	SA's JOHN P. GRANFIELD and HENRY

It is to be noted that the above areas include areas encircled on map location in a storage room utilized by GALT for his personal possessions in the rooming house at 113 14th St., NE, Atlanta, Ga.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

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

FROM : SA JOHN P. GRANFIELD

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 4/23/68

On 4/20/68, JOSE BONILLA, 1003 Forest Road, NE, Atlanta, telephone 522-6244, telephoned the Atlanta Office and advised that he is employed at Lockheed Aircraft, Marietta, Employee No. 509039.

He advised that he boarded a Greyhound Bus at 7:40 p.m. on the Old Marietta Highway, Cobb Co., Ga., and that the bus proceeded south and that an individual boarded this bus around the Smyrna Baptist Church and handed the driver a \$10.00 bill. The driver stated that he had no change, whereupon the passenger gave the driver a \$1.00 bill. The individual then walked to the rear of the bus and this individual and BONILLA disembarked from the bus together near the Atlanta American Hotel in downtown Atlanta, which is the last bus stop.

BONILLA advised that he has no information as to where this individual went, nor did BONILLA have any conversation with this individual, who was a stranger to him. BONILLA advised that this individual appeared similar to the picture of the subject, which he had observed on television and in the newspaper, and he described this individual as being a white male, in his early 30's, 5'8"-9" tall, 170-180 lbs., black bushy hair, medium fair complexion, brown eyes, and neatly dressed.

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Memorandum

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

DATE: 4/23/68

FROM : SA JOHN P. GRANFIELD

SUBJECT: MURKIN

On 4/20/68, BILLY SCOGGINS telephoned the Atlanta Office and advised that he is living in a hotel, the name of which he does not know but which is located at 265 Williams, NW, Atlanta.

He advised that he served with subject JAMES EARL RAY in the U. S. Army in 1948-49 at Ft. Bliss, Tex.; Camp Stoneman, Calif.; and Camp Drake, near Tokyo, Japan.

He advised that he has never seen nor heard from the subject since serving in the Army with him and has no information as to his whereabouts, associates, activities, or employment. He advised that it would be his assumption that the subject would be in Springfield, Mo., in the 10th St. area or in the Kansas City, Mo., area and that he would frequent hillbilly dives.

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Memorandum

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

FROM : SA JOHN P. GRANFIELD

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 4/23/68

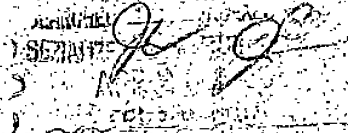
On April 20, 1968, Mrs. G. M. NICHOLS, 820 Piedmont Ave., NE, telephone 876-2066, advised that she was washing her clothing at Powell's Washeteria, located on 6th St. near Peachtree, at about noon on April 19, 1968, when she observed an individual who was a stranger to her washing a pair of trousers and a pair of socks next to her. She advised that the individual looked at her "funny" and she thought that he resembled the photo of subject which she observed on television and in the newspapers. She advised that the individual was a white male, stoop-shouldered, blue eyes, black hair, 40 years of age, 5'11", medium build, not too well dressed, wearing gray plaid short sleeve shirt.

She advised that she is in that area frequently but has never seen this individual before.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, ATLANTA 44-2386

DATE: 4-23-68

FROM : Complaint Clerk Jerry D. Roseberry

SUBJECT: MURKIN

CHARLES KIDD, Cahaba Motel, Old Dixie Highway, Forest Park, 366-9954 or 361-9272, called at 9:40 am today and advised that last night at 9:30 pm a man resembling subject RAY came to his motel and advised that he was looking for a special room. He finally decided he would not stay at the motel and left. He was driving a last model blue Ford bearing Arkansas license BEF257. He stated he lived in Hapeville and worked for the Army and traveled a lot.

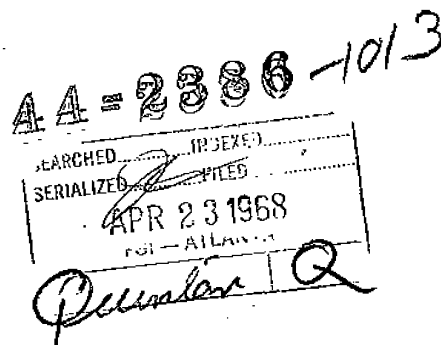
KIDD stated he would like to see an agent re this and look at some photos of RAY as the newspaper pictures are not very good.

At Forest Park, Georgia.

On Tuesday, 4/23/68, Mr. and Mrs. KIDD were interviewed at the Cahaba Motel, Old Dixie Highway, and photos of JAMES RAY were displayed. Each advised there is no doubt in their respective and collective minds, the person prompting the call to the Office, 2-Atlanta is in no identical to RAY.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, ATLANTA (44-2386) DATE: 4/23/68

FROM : SA RAYMOND J. MICHEL

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Memo of SA HARDING, 4/17/68. (Ser. 545)

On 4/17/68, Mrs. JESSE HOLMES, employee of Freeway Liquor Store, 542 Courtland Street, advised that the photo of ERIC STARVO GALT - JAMES EARL RAY which was displayed to him was not the same person who came into the store several times.

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TO : SAC, ATLANTA (44-2386) DATE: 4/23/68

FROM : SA RAYMOND J. MICHEL

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Memo of SA ROSE, 4/15/68. (Serial 383)

On 4/18/68, Mr. HUGH COMPTON, 290 - 8th Street, N.E., Apt. 4, Atlanta, Georgia, was displayed to photos of ERIC STARVO GALT - JAMES EARL RAY and he advised they were not photos of the person he observed in the Cameo Lounge on Cain Street, Atlanta, Ga.

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Date April 18, 1968

WALTER SAMUEL MC DONALD, Apartment 3, 107 14th Street, Atlanta, advised he had resided at this location since about January 1967. He stated he was employed as a plumber in Atlanta and gets his jobs through Union Local Number 72.

MC DONALD stated that he is not acquainted with any of the other residents of this rooming house and knows nobody residing in the rooming house located next door at 113 14th Street.

MC DONALD further stated that he had no recollection of ever seeing a white Mustang automobile parked in the rear of either 107 14th Street or 113 14th Street.

A description of the unknown subject believed to be using the name of GALT was discussed with MC DONALD and he stated he could not recognize this individual by description nor did the artist's composite photograph appear familiar to him in any way.

On 4/15/68 at Atlanta, Georgia File # Atlanta 44-2386
by SA STEPHEN L. HALPIN and: swo
SA RAYMOND J. MICHEL Date dictated 4/17/68

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Date April 18, 1968

JAMES L. SMITH, Room Number 9, 107 14th Street, Atlanta, advised he has lived at this location since May of 1967. He said that since this time he has never known or met anyone who resided at 113 14th Street, and he could not identify by description or artist's composite photograph anyone who may have resided in the area believed to have used the name of GALT.

SMITH advised that he believes he has seen a white Mustang parked in the rear of either 107 14th Street or 113 14th Street, but he could not recall whether this might have been within the last three or four weeks.

SMITH advised that he is an electrician who commutes on Mondays to Atlanta from Anderson, South Carolina, and returns on Friday evenings. He stated his home address is 33 Lewis Street, Anderson, South Carolina.

On 4/15/68 at Atlanta, Georgia File # AT 44-2386 1017
by SA STEPHEN L. HALPIN and
SA RAYMOND J. MICHEL SLH:swo Date dictated 4/17/68

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Date April 18, 1968

JAMES BAGWELL, Apartment 2, 107 14th Street, advised he has lived at this location for about six or seven weeks. He stated he works as a sheet metal worker on construction jobs and was about to leave Atlanta for a job in Winder, Georgia.

BAGWELL stated he knows Mr. GARNER and his sister, but has never met anyone who has resided at 113 14th Street, nor does he recall anyone who might have lived at that location. He stated he has never seen a white Mustang that he recalls parked in the rear of either 107 14th Street or 113 14th Street.

On 4/16/68 at Atlanta, GeorgiaFile # AT 44-2386 1018by SA STEPHEN L. HALPIN :swo4/17/68

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date April 18, 1968

H. D. WIGGINS and D. A. SWEAT, occupants of Apartment 8, at 107 14th Street, were interviewed simultaneously and both advised they had moved into this location on April 1, 1968, and were pipe fitters working out of the Union Local 72. Both WIGGINS and SWEAT advised that they had come to Atlanta from Florida, WIGGINS having come from Jacksonville Beach and SWEAT from Jacksonville, Florida. WIGGINS and SWEAT advised they have not become acquainted with anyone residing at either 107 14th Street or 113 14th Street, with exception of Mr. GARNER who had rented them the room. Neither could recall ever seeing a white Mustang parked at the rear of either of these buildings, nor could they identify anyone seen in the neighborhood who may have been identical with the individual believed to have used the last name of GALT.

On 4/15/68 at Atlanta, Georgia File # AT 44-2386 1019
by SA STEPHEN L. HALPIN ^{SLH} and SA RAYMOND J. MICHEL ^{RM} SLH:swo Date dictated 4/17/68

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

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

DATE: 4/22/68

FROM : SA JOHN J. LANGSFELD

SUBJECT: MURKIN

RE: ABANDONED AUTO, ATLANTA AIRPORT.
MEMO OF SA JAMES J. ROSE, 4/18/68

Information in re memo was furnished to IC MARION DAVIS by CHARLES E. THACKER who is presently employed in Drivers License Section, GSP, Atlanta, Ga. THACKER was formerly employed as a police officer with the Atlanta Airport PD.

THACKER was contacted by writer 4/18/68. He said about one month ago while working at Atlanta Airport PD a person appeared at the PD office to reclaim a car that had been impounded for some parking violation at the airport. He does not recall the make of the car but when the owner signed for same he displayed a drivers license the middle name of which was similar to STARK, STARKS OR STARVO as near as he can recall. He does recall that this person was about 5'7" and had a very dark complexion "like an Italian", and about 30 years old.

LT. W. P. COLLIER, Atlanta Airport PD, was contacted and advised that all cars impounded by this department are logged by date, make, license number, VIN, color. Further when they are released the owner or his authorized representative has to display identification and must sign for same. Further if this persons signature is not legible he must print his name.

The logs referred to above were reviewed for January through April 18, 1968. No names were located therein indicating any similarity with the names of STARVO, STARK, STARKS, ERIC STARVO GALT. Further no other information was developed from these records indicating any connection with instant case.

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

FROM : SA STANLEY R. KEEL

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 4/22/68

On 4/17/68, the following individuals were contacted and were shown a photograph of ERIC STARVO GALT. All advised that the photograph of GALT did not appear familiar to anyone that they know or have seen recently. The following are people who reside on Drewry St., N.E., Atlanta, Ga.

EDWARD V. KIMSEY - 740
ABGUIL - 750
HARRY F. ROBERTS - 756
ANTHONY TURCO - 760
J. W. THOMPSON - 766
RICHARD WHATLEY - 770
Mrs. EDWARD SNIDOR - 776
E. EMETERIO ALBARAC - 782
No Answer - 786
Mr. and Mrs. C. B. MONTGOMERY - 792
CHARLES A. WHEELER - 798
Mrs. OCA RAY SEALS and Mrs. ELSIE RAY - 808
R. L. RAMSEY - 814
J. R. WEBB - 820
No Answer - 826
Mrs. W. E. HAMMOCK - 832
No Answer - 834
Mrs. JACK LATHAM - 838
ROLAND RINCONES - 846
Mrs. JACK KING - 850

The following individuals were contacted on 4/17/68 from the intersection of Frederica and Drewry Streets, N.E. All advised that the photograph of GALT is unfamiliar to them. The following people were contacted at the Murray Apartments, 841 Frederica Street.

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ROBERT DOYLE, Apt. 19
RAFAEL HERRERA, Apt. 18
CAROL WARREN, Apt. 22
MILDRED NEEDHAM, Apt. 23
JOHN STRENGTH, Apt. 24
GREY W. AADER, Apt. 25
LARRY LEE, Apt. 27
FREDERICK DUCHMAN, Apt. 26
ROGER GREER, Apt. 28
ANN TUSTIN, Apt. 29

The following individuals were contacted at 799 Frederica Street with negative results re GALT.

ROBERT JACKSON, Apt. 5
GLADYS SANDER, Apt. 8
MAY DELOACH, Apt. 7

Apartment building at 783 Frederica Street:

JULIA PEW, Apt. 3
Mr. and Mrs. TURNER, Apt. 2, no answer
AL FLEMMING, Apt. 5, no answer
Mrs. PEW, only occupant of above apartments
advised that no one has moved into the apartment building in the past five years.

Residents at 779 and 781 Frederica Street were contacted with negative results.

At 789 Frederica Street, Mrs. J. M. MC MILLAN advised that the entire building which contains four apartments are occupied by widows.

The following investigation was conducted on 4/18/68. The following individuals were contacted at 741 Frederica Street, N.E. with negative results re GALT.

Apartments 1,2,3 and 4 - No answer
ESTELL MC DERMOTT - Apt. 21
Mrs. J. DAVIS - Apt. 5
Apt. 6 Empty
VIRGINIA BRAGG - Apt. 7
TED WRIGHT - Apt. 8
Apt. 9 No Answer
Mrs. BESSIE SMITH - Apt. 10
Mrs. BESSIE LEWIS DAVID - Apt. 11
No Answer Apt. 12
Mrs. ALPHA BISHOP - Apt. 17

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No Answer - Apt. 19 and 20

At 964 Greenwood Ave., N.E., no answer.

DOROTHY DABBS, 966 Greenwood Ave., N.E.

Apartments at 974 Greenwood Ave., N.E. were checked with no response.

Apartments at 986 Greenwood Ave., 1,2,3 and 4 -
No Answer Apt. 9 JAMES KEITH, Apt. 10 no answer.

Apartments at 990 Greenwood Ave., N.E. were contacted regarding GALT:

ALICE ESTES - Apt. 5
Apt. 1, 2,3, 4 and 6 no answer
Apt. 7,8,9 - no answer
EMETT BAIRD - Apt. 11

No answer Apt. 6, 996 Greenwood Ave.

At 996 Greenwood Ave., Apt. 5, ETHEL HICKS advised all tenants in that building worked during the daytime.

At 1000 Greenwood Ave., no answer.

At apartment building 1006 Greenwood Ave., apartments 1,2,3,4,5,6,7,and 8 no answer.

Mrs. J. A. RANKIN, Apt . 5, 1006 Greenwood.

PAUL T. ANDREW, 1010 Greenwood

Apartments located at 1016 Greenwood Ave. Apartments 1,2,3,4,5,6,7, and 8 no answer.

PETER MONTEITH, Apt. 4

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MILDRED BLANK, Apt. 9
Apt. 10 - No answer

ROMAN OEHLER, 1020 Greenwood Ave., N.E., no answer

1026 Greenwood N.E., no answer

1044 Greenwood N.E., no answer

No answer 1030 Greenwood, N.E.

No answer 1036 Greenwood, N.E.

At 1040 Greenwood Ave., N.E., apartment building,
JULIA LASSETER, Apt. 2, RUTH GUTTERY, Apt. 7, no answer at
Apt. 1, 3, 4, 5, 8, 9, 10.

Investigation on St. Charles Ave., N.E.

St. Charles Villa Apartments at 1000 St. Charles
St., no answer, except JOSEPH WEINER, Apt. 7. No response at
apartments 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 8.

Apartment building at 1008 St. Charles St., no
response at apartments 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, and 9. JERRY SMITH
and BETTY BUDD, Apt. 1012 and 1014 St. Charles Ave., no answer.
Mrs. BILL COVINGTON, 1018 St. Charles Ave. E. BRAGG, 1022
St. Charles Ave.

At the Charles Gate Apts., 1026 St. Charles Place,
Mrs. W. E. THOMPSON, Apt. 9, Mrs. CORNELIA ROW, Apt. 3, Mrs.
CONSTANCE NEWBY, Apt. 4. No response at apartments 1, 2, 12,
and 10. Mrs. CLARENCE SEARSE, Apt. 11, G. BIRSTIN, Apt. 5,
no answer Apt. 6, 8, 14, 15, 16, and 17. Apt. 7 - Mrs. ROSA
BENNETT.

At 1038 St. Charles Place, JERRY BRADSHAW and EUNICE
BUTTS.

The following investigation was conducted on
4/19/68 at Virginia Ave., N.E., Atlanta, Ga. Individuals listed
below were contacted with negative results in reference to
ERIC S. GALT.

F. L. WATT, 924
J. P. SWAIN, SR. - 920
LOUISE MADDEN - 914
Mrs. S. VALENZA - 910

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No answer - 904
EVELYN PRUETT - 900
No answer - 894
J. S. GILMORE and BILL DALTON - 884
Mrs. JANIE STRATTON - 880
DAVID PIRKLE - 881
Mrs. HERBERT STUCKEY - 885
Mrs. RITA KING - 891
Mrs. CHARLES TRAFFICA - 895
ALVIN E. HUTTO - and FRED HOPKINS - 891
JOHN HICKMAN - 901
Mrs. W. C. WATERS - 878
VINNIE HARRINGTON - 870
No answer - 866
No answer - Apt. 1a and 1b, 862 Virginia Ave.
Mrs. CHARLOTTE DAVIS, Apt. 2b, 862 Virginia Ave.
Miss BETTY JONES, Apt. 2a, 862 Virginia Ave.
MARJORIE KING - 911
No answer - 915
Mrs. RAY LEE - 921
Mrs. CLARENCE RAWLINS - 925

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DATE: 4/23/68

FROM : SA WILLIAM V. KENNEDY

SUBJECT: MURKIN
(OO:Memphis)

Re serial #606.

Atlanta City and Suburban directories and yellow pages revealed no reference to bakery or cook schools in the Atlanta area.

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Memorandum

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

DATE: 4/23/68

FROM : SA DONALD F. TACKITT

SUBJECT: MURKIN

On 4/12/68, Mr. HARRY R. CHANCE, Manager, Capitol Homes, Atlanta Housing Authority, Atlanta, Georgia, made available an application for admission to the Atlanta Housing Authority dated 5/8/64, from ERNEST AVERY WHELCHER, address 718 Primrose Street, SE, Atlanta.

WHELCHER listed his previous address as 686 Guyton Street, NW, Atlanta, Georgia.

WHELCHER's date of birth is [redacted] in Georgia, and his wife, THELMA ORRLE WHELCHER nee Porter date of birth [redacted] Georgia, resided in Capitol Homes at 68 Rawson Street, Apartment 48, phone 577-3396. This file reflected that WHELCHER's mother, EMILY B. WHELCHER, lived at the above Rawson Street address. Her date of birth was shown as 1875.

Noted in the file is that a 24 year old boy, J. B. HOLCOMB, mother's child by first marriage, who was contacted in the residence said he will not be in the family group. He advised that he has part-time work as a tree surgeon.

Also noted was that WHELCHER's first wife died years ago, and that JAMES ORRLE, Mrs. WHELCHER's previous husband, died over a year ago.

It was also noted that J. B. HOLCOMB mentioned above also used the name AARON HOLCOMB.

On 5/27/68, a notice of intent to vacate was filed by WHELCHER. He noted that he was moving to the country with his son. Also noted as a forwarding address was 1147 Oakland Drive, SW, Atlanta, Georgia. The premises

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were vacated on 3/31/68.

J. B. HOLCOMB mentioned above on 5/8/64, advised that his mother had lived at Capitol Homes from 1950 to 1956. He stated that his father's name was JOHN HOLCOMB.

The files of Capitol Homes as furnished by Mr. CHANCE, indicated several HOLCOMBS had resided in this project; however, only one JOHN T. HOLCOMB was noted who resided at 352 Martin Street, Apartment 683, and 129 Woodward Avenue, Apartment 708. The card on file indicated that HOLCOMB moved to 471 Bryant Street, SE. The dates of occupancy by JOHN T. HOLCOMB were not shown and it was noted that the file had been destroyed 1/8/62.

On 4/12/68, Mrs. THELMA WHELCHER, 1147 Oakland Drive, Atlanta, Georgia, phone 753-1321, advised that her son, AARON BERNARD HOLCOMB, was in jail in Fulton County for larceny for three weeks in 3/68, and that he was released from the Fulton County Jail on 4/4/68. She advised that she has seen him only once since he got out of jail and she does not know where he lives. She advised that her son has no car.

Mrs. WHELCHER advised that she never lived in Capitol Homes prior to the time she lived at 68 Rawson Street, Apartment 48.

Mrs. WHELCHER advised that her son's father is JOHN THOMAS HOLCOMB, address unknown, phone number 874-6370. She advised that her son and his father are not close.

On 4/12/68, J. D. SCROGGINS, Atlanta Police Department Identification Division, advised that AARON BENNIE HOLCOMB was tried on 4/4/68, on a charge of larceny from the house. The court docket number was shown as SC #94001 and on 4/4/68, HOLCOMB was sentenced to 12 months probation and a fine of \$150. His probation is to expire 4/4/69.

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On 4/15/68, JOHN THOMAS HOLCOMB, mentioned above, advised that he resides at 515 Lynch Avenue, NE, Atlanta, Georgia, and that he is the father of AARON BERNARD HOLCOMB. He advised that his son called him a couple of days ago; however, he, the son, did not say where he was living.

Inquiry at the Fulton County Adult Probation Department determined that the whereabouts of AARON BERNARD HOLCOMB could be accounted for until approximately 11:30 a.m., on 4/4/68.

LEADS:

It is noted that a lead has previously been set out and assigned to locate and interview AARON BERNARD HOLCOMB.

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Date April 18, 1968

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John D. Garner
On April 15, 1968, the items obtained with the consent of Mr. JOHN D. GARNER, Manager of the rooming house located at 113 14th Street, Atlanta, Georgia, were transported to the FBI Laboratory in Washington, D. C., by SA JOHN G. SULLIVAN.

Transportation to Washington, D. C., was via Delta Airlines Flight 338 departing Atlanta at 11:45 p.m. on April 15, 1968.

Delta Flight 338 was met at Friendship Airport by SA JOHN PATTERSON at 1:40 a.m. on April 16, 1968. SA SULLIVAN was transported via Bureau car to the FBI Laboratory in Washington, D. C., where pertinent items were turned over to Bureau Supervisor FREDERICK WALLACE.

On 4/15-16/68 at Atlanta, Georgia File # Atlanta 44-2386-1029
by SA JOHN G. SULLIVAN *ggs* :bjc Date dictated 4/18/68

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents ROBERT MICHAEL KANE and CHARLES PAUL ROSE, on April 19, 1968, at Atlanta, Georgia:

RE: APARTMENT HOUSE, 61 13th STREET, N.E.

The following residents of the efficiency apartments at 61 Thirteenth Street, N.E., were interviewed and photographs of ERIC STARVO GALT were exhibited to these individuals and all stated that subject was unknown to them and they had not observed him in that area:

Mr. and Mrs. HAROLD L. TANNER, Apartment 2.

Mr. CHARLES PARSONS, Apartment 8.

Mrs. ROSETTA ROBINSON, Apartment 13.

Miss LENORA VON HIRSCH SPRUNG, Apartment 16.

Miss VICKI RIDER, Apartment 16.

RONNIE CLAYTON DONALDSON, Apartment 12.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, ATLANTA 44-2386

FROM : Complaint Clerk Jerry D. Roseberry

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 4-23-68

JOE SHARLOW, 49 Boulevard SE Apt 67, home 525-2394, office 873-6262, called at 12:25 pm today and advised as follows:

He is a driver for Buffalo Cab Company, cab 39, and has talked with an agent re taking a passenger to Mableton early morning of 4-5-68 from Atlanta airport and passenger fitting description of subject. He stated that he has since seen the photos of subject and the photo with the bow tie is identical with the man he took to Mableton.

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TO : SAC, ATLANTA (44-2386)

DATE: 4/23/68

FROM : SA ROGER L. KAAS

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re New Orleans lead to contact one "COIN", associate of RAY in New Orleans.

SA LARRY SCHEER, New Orleans, advised only individual known to them is DAN COHEN, former operator of Crescent Cigarette Co., notorious fence and associate of all local and out-of-state hoodlums. COHEN described as approximately 60 - 62; 6' - 6' 1"; broken nose. SCHEER stated COHEN recently released from State Institution for narcotics cure and will probably discuss past activities and associates.

However, prior to contact, request any positive information available to Atlanta source indicating DAN COHEN identical to "COIN" referred to by him.

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ADDENDUM

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After discussion of above with SA THOMAS R. HENRY, JR., the following was telephonically furnished to ASAC JOSEPH SYLVESTER in the absence of SA SCHEER:

At the time of interview, source was specifically asked whether contact of RAY in New Orleans could be "COHEN" as opposed to "COIN" and he stated it was "COIN" as in nickels, dimes and quarters. The phonetic mispronunciation possibility should not be overlooked in view of source's lack of education. Source had no personal contact with COHEN, had no information relating to the Crescent Cigarette Co. and knew "COIN" only as an individual described by RAY to him as a New Orleans fence and hoodlum.

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TO DIRECTOR (MAIL) AND ATLANTA AND JACKSONVILLE
FROM PITTSBURGH (44-578)

MURKIN

RE JACKSONVILLE TEL PITTSBURGH FOUR TWENTYTWO LAST.

ON FOUR TWENTYTWO LAST, CONRAD WITALIS, VICE PRESIDENT
IN CHARGE OF ELECTRO AIR CORP., MC KEES ROCKS, PA., ADVISED
THAT JOE S. RAGAN, JR., HIRED BY THAT COMPANY THREE TWENTY
SIXTYSEVEN. RAGAN IS EMPLOYED AS SALES REPRESENTATIVE FOR
STATES OF FLORIDA, ALABAMA, AND GEORGIA. RESIDES AT SIX ZERO
FOUR EIGHT DRIFTWOOD TRAIL, MAPLETON, GA.

RAGAN DESCRIBED AS WM, FIVE FEET SEVEN INCHES, ONE HUNDRED
FIFTY LBS., BROWN HAIR.

PHOTOS VIEWED BY WITALIS WHO STATED NOT SIMILAR TO RAGAN.

NO FURTHER INVESTIGATION BEING CONDUCTED AT PITTSBURGH
RE RAGAN.

AIR MAIL COPIES BUREAU, MEMPHIS, AND BIRMINGHAM.

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JAMES EARL RAY

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ALIASES: Eric Starvo Galt, W. C. Herron, Harvey Lowmyer, James McBride, James O'Conner, James Walton, James Walyon, John Willard, "Jim"



Photographs taken 1960

Photograph taken 1968
(eyes drawn by artist)



James Ray

DESCRIPTION

AGE: 40, born March 10, 1928, Alton, Illinois
HEIGHT: 5' 10" EYES: blue
WEIGHT: 163 to 174 pounds COMPLEXION: medium
BUILD: medium RACE: white
HAIR: brown, possibly cut short NATIONALITY: American
OCCUPATIONS: baker, color matcher, laborer
SCARS AND MARKS: small scar on center of forehead and small scar on palm of right hand
REMARKS: noticeably protruding left ear; reportedly is a lone wolf; allegedly attended dance instruction school; has reportedly completed course in bartending

CRIMINAL RECORD

Ray has been convicted of burglary, robbery, forcing U. S. Postal Money Orders, armed robbery and operating motor vehicle without owner's consent.

CAUTION

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

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A Federal warrant was issued on April 17, 1968, at Birmingham, Alabama, charging Ray as Eric Starvo Galt with conspiring to interfere with a Constitutional Right of a citizen (Title 18, U. S. Code, Section 241). A Federal warrant was also issued on July 20, 1967, at Jefferson City, Missouri, charging Ray with Interstate Flight to Avoid Criminal Prosecution (Title 18, U. S. Code, Section 1073).

**IF YOU HAVE INFORMATION CONCERNING THIS PERSON, PLEASE CONTACT YOUR LOCAL FBI OFFICE.
TELEPHONE NUMBERS AND ADDRESSES OF ALL FBI OFFICES LISTED ON BACK.**

Identification Order 4182
April 20, 1968

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SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE
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Located at:	Building	Telephone
ALBANY, New York 12207	502 U.S. Post Office & Ct. House	465-7551
ALBUQUERQUE, New Mexico 87101	4303 Federal Office Bldg.	CHapel 7-1555
ANCHORAGE, Alaska 99501	Room 204, Federal Building	272-6414
ATLANTA, Georgia 30303	275 Peachtree St., N. E.	Jackson 1-3900
BALTIMORE, Maryland 21202	408 U.S. Post Office Bldg.	Lexington 9-6700
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BUFFALO, New York 14202	400 U.S. Court House Bldg.	856-7800
BUTTE, Montana 59701	400 Thornton Building	792-2304
CHARLOTTE, North Carolina 28202	1120 Jefferson Standard Life Bldg.	333-4126
CHICAGO, Illinois 60604	Room 905, U. S. Court House & Federal Office Building	431-1333
CINCINNATI, Ohio 45202	415 U. S. Post Office & Court House Building	421-4310
CLEVELAND, Ohio 44199	3005 Federal Office Building	522-1400
COLUMBIA, South Carolina 29201	1529 Hampton Street	252-1911
DALLAS, Texas 75201	Room 200 - 1810 Commerce Street	Riverside 1-1851
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DETROIT, Michigan 48226	913 Federal Building & U. S. Court House	Woodward 5-2323
EL PASO, Texas 79901	202 U. S. Court House Bldg.	533-7451
HONOLULU, Hawaii 96813	205 Dillingham Building	59546
HOUSTON, Texas 77002	6015 Federal Building & U. S. Court House	Capitol 8-1414
INDIANAPOLIS, Indiana 46207	1221 North Pennsylvania Street	632-6415
JACKSON, Mississippi 39201	Room 800 - First Federal Savings Building	948-5000
JACKSONVILLE, Florida 32202	414 U. S. Court House & Post Office Building	355-1401
KANSAS CITY, Missouri 64106	707 U. S. Court House Building	Baltimore 1-6100
KNOXVILLE, Tennessee 37902	617 Walnut Street, Southwest	524-2721
LAS VEGAS, Nevada 89101	Room 2-011 Federal Office Bldg.	385-1281
LITTLE ROCK, Arkansas 72201	215 U. S. Post Office Bldg.	FR 2-3157
LOS ANGELES, California 90017	1340 West 6th Street	Hubbard 3-3551
LOUISVILLE, Kentucky 40202	Room 701, Bank of Louisville Bldg.	583-3941
MEMPHIS, Tennessee 38103	841 Federal Office Bldg.	525-7373
MIAMI, Florida 33137	3801 Biscayne Boulevard	379-2421
MILWAUKEE, Wisconsin 53202	735 U. S. Post Office, Customs & Court House Building	276-4684
MINNEAPOLIS, Minnesota 55401	392 Federal Building	Federal 9-7861
MOBILE, Alabama 36602	520 Federal Building	438-3674
NEWARK, New Jersey 07101	U. S. Post Office & Court House Building	622-5613
NEW HAVEN, Connecticut 06510	510 The Trust Company Bldg.	787-1217
NEW ORLEANS, Louisiana 70113	701 Loyola Avenue	522-4671
NEW YORK, New York 10021	201 East 69th Street	Lehigh 5-7700
NORFOLK, Virginia 23510	420 U. S. Post Office & Court House Building	625-1631
OKLAHOMA CITY, Oklahoma 73118	5104 N. Francis Street	Victor 2-7471
OMAHA, Nebraska 68102	1010 Federal Office Bldg.	348-1210
PHILADELPHIA, Pennsylvania 19107	500 Widener Building	LOcust 3-5300
PHOENIX, Arizona 85013	244 West Osborn Road	Crestwood 9-5511
PITTSBURGH, Pennsylvania 15222	1300 Federal Office Bldg.	471-2000
PORTLAND, Oregon 97205	423 U. S. Court House Bldg.	224-4181
RICHMOND, Virginia 23220	200 West Grace Street	644-2631
SACRAMENTO, California 95814	2020 J Street	441-1276
ST. LOUIS, Missouri 63103	2704 Federal Building	Chestnut 1-5357
SALT LAKE CITY, Utah 84111	3203 Federal Building	Elgin 5-7521
SAN ANTONIO, Texas 78206	433 Federal Building	CA 5-6741
SAN DIEGO, California 92103	3211 Fifth Avenue	297-3361
SAN FRANCISCO, California 94102	450 Golden Gate Avenue, Box 36015	552-2155
SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico 00917	Pan Am Building	765-6000
SAVANNAH, Georgia 31405	255 Ponce de Leon Avenue	
SEATTLE, Washington 98104	5401 Paulsen Street	354-9911
SPRINGFIELD, Illinois 62701	1015 Second Avenue	Main 2-0460
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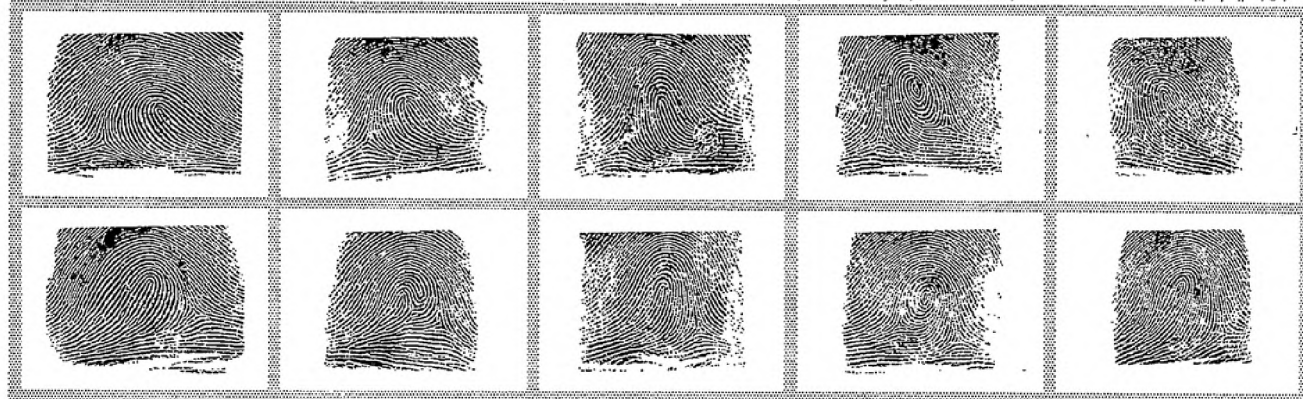
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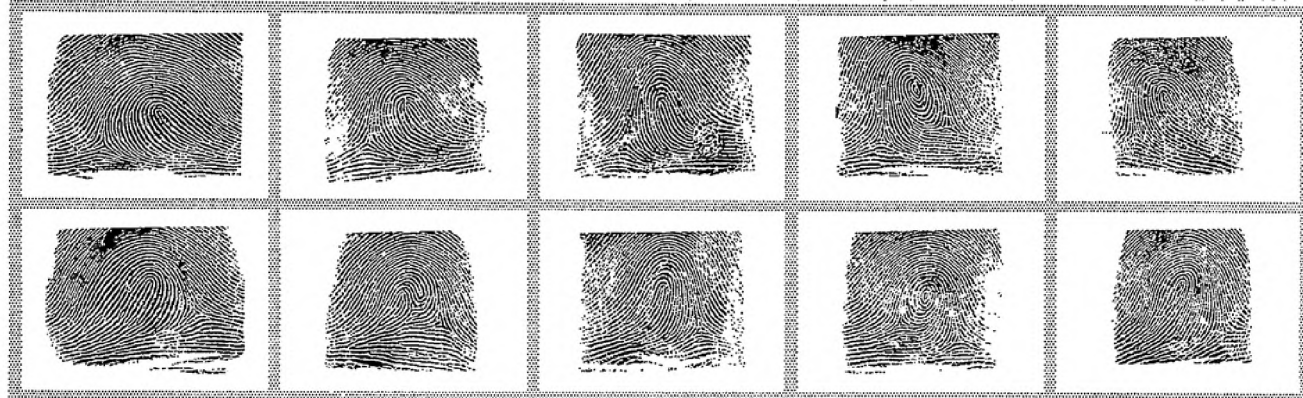
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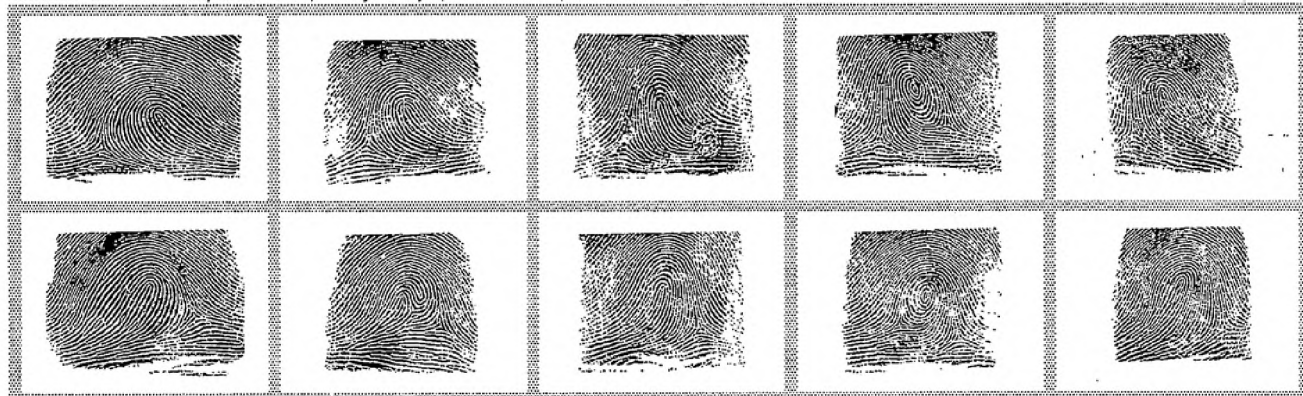
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