Mexico, sometime in about October, 1967 for a period of about four or five days. She was accompanied by her sister, Mrs. E.N. COLLINS, JR. Shown photographs of JAMES EARL RAY and told that he may have used the name of ERIC GALT, she stated she does not recall that she noticed this person at the Hotel Rio or elsewhere during her visit to Mexico. She does not recall her room number in this hotel and does not believe she held any conversation with GALT.

She stated also her sister lives in Houston, Texas at 5208 Mt. Houston Road and is employed in the office of Dr. HAROLD SCHAFFNER at 5105 San Jacinto, telephone number JA 3-9812.

Mrs. E.N. COLLINS, JR., 5208 Mount Houston Road, Houston, Texas advised that during her trip to Puerto Vallarta, Mexico in October, 1967 when she was accompanied by her sister, VIVIAN FRIEDBERG she can recall no male who locked like the pictures of JAMES EARL RAY, also known as Eric Starvo Galt. It is her recollection most of the residents at Hotel Rio were elderly people and not fit the description of RAY, also known as Galt. She was unable to recall the number of the room at the Hotel Rio in which they stayed.

8. Telephone Calls From Pay Telephones
December 15 - 17, 1967 Along InterState Highway 10, Texas

CHARLES STEIN when interviewed by agents of the FBI at Los Angeles inApril, 1968 alleged that while traveling by automobile in the company of JAMES EARL RAY from Los Angeles to New Orleans in mid-December, 1967 RAY made approximately six telephone calls most of which were made while traveling through Texas. He recalled that one call may have been completed as STEIN had to wait for quite a while for RAY to return to the car. In the other instances RAY was gone for such a short period of time from the car that STEIN was of the opinion that the calls were not completed. STEIN was unable to recall the exact location from which RAY made the alleged completed phone call, but he was of the opinion that it was in the area "just west of Houston" at a service station type establishment just off of U.S. Interstate Highway 10. The call was made at night, from a phone booth located on an access road paralleling the free ay near a liquor store and gas station at a point where the freeway is eight lanes wide with a fence separating

the freeway from the access road; STEIN further defined the time of the call as at approximately 9:00 PM on December 16, 1967 and was probably made to New Orleans, Louisiana.

On April 26, 1968 Everett Collier, Vice President and Editor, Houston Chronicle, a daily Houston newspaper, advised as follows:

LOUIS LOMAX and CHARLES STEIN had arrived at Houston at 4:15 PM, April 25, 1968.

LOMAX is a controversial TV personality from the Los Angeles area who had his own TV show until March, 1968. He has also authored a book entitled "The Negro Revolt".

LOMAX and STEIN, accompanied by a Chronicle reporter, searched the area west of Houston in an attempt to locate the phone booth from which JAMES EARL RAY allegedly made a call on the evening of December 16, 1967 and the search was unsuccessful. According to COLLIER, the Chronicle reporter, who accompanied LOMAX and STEIN on their search, described STEIN as being extremely vague and not at all sure of the area where the call was allegedly made.

COLLTER also advised that the North American Newspaper Alliance (NANA) has been trying to get in touch with LOMAX on April 26, 1968 for the purpose of writing a story on April 26, 1968 about STEIN's trip from Los Angeles to New Orleans with RAY.

COLLIER stated that he thought NANA was controlled by columnist DREW PEARSON.

On April 27, 1968 DON MICHAELS, Houston Chronicle, advised that he dropped LOUIS LOMAX and CHARLES STEIN at San Antonio at 4:30 PM on April 26, 1968. They intended to rent a car in San Antonio and indicated to MICHAELS that they would turn the car in at San Antonio when through.

MICHAELS made the observation that both LOMAX and STEIN appeared to be "lost" as far as their operation is concerned. MICHAELS further commented that, in his opinion, STEIN is taking LOMAX "for a ride". MICHAELS learned from comments made by STEIN that STEIN had slept most of the way on the December cross-country trip, California to Louisiana when he accompanied RAY.

On April 28, 1968 HUGH AINSWORTH. Newsweek correspondent, Houston, Texas, contacted Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, Houston, and advised that LOUIS LOMAX and CHARLES STEIN had identified a coin telephone located at an Enco Station, Route 90, Uvalde, Texas as one allegedly used by JAMES EARL RAY to make a telephone call to New Orleans between the hours of 6:00 PM and 9:00 PM, December 16, 1967. The telephone number was identified as being BR 8-9048. AINSWORTH requested that toll calls from this telephone by checked by Southwestern Bell Telephone Company to determine if any calls had been made to the New Orleans area on December 16, 1967. AINSWORTH requested that he be advised of the result of this check.

On April 26, 1968 a subpoena was issued for the records of Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, Houston, Texas to be made available before the Grand Jury, Laredo, Texas on May 20, 1968. Southwestern Bell Telephone Company made available their records, period December 15 - 17, 1967 for all coin operated telephones along Highway 90, U.S. Interstate Ten. Subsequent to a review of these records by agents of the FBI, a representative of Southwestern Bell Telephone Company was advised that the subpoena had been complied with and records need not be furnished on May 20, 1968.

On the basis of the aforementioned review of Southwestern Bell Telephone Company records the following data was obtained:

Telephone calls, Houston Division, December 15-17, 1967 emanating from pay telephones along Interstate Highway 10 to:

| New Orleans Division | 380         |
|----------------------|-------------|
| Indianapolis         | 1           |
| Kansas City          | 1           |
| Little Rock          | 5           |
| Los Angeles          | 16          |
| Mobile               | <i>L</i> į. |
| Oklahoma City        | 9           |
| San Francisco        | 3           |
| San Jilego           | 24          |
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| Denver       | 1      |
|--------------|--------|
| Louisville   | 1      |
| Memphis      | 2‡     |
| Miami        | 1      |
| New York     | 2      |
| Norfolk      | 1      |
| Omaha        | 1      |
| Philadelphia | 2      |
| Sacramento   | 1      |
| Seattle      | 1      |
| Springfield  | 3      |
| St. Louis    | 1      |
| Tampa        | 1      |
| Atlanta      | ı      |
| Albuquerque  | 2      |
| Boston       | 2      |
| Charlotte    | 2      |
| Chicago      | 3      |
| Cincinnati   | 3      |
| Detroit      | 1      |
| Cleveland    | 3      |
| El Paso      | 3      |
| Jackson      | 6      |
| Jacksonville | 2      |
| Las Vegas    | 1      |
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Dallas 59
San Antonio 46
Phoenix 1
Houston 391
Total 969

All of the above field divisions were furnished the telephone number called in their division, date called and number and place from which call emanated.

The following investigation was conducted by SAs WILLIAM J. FLANAGAN and KENNETH B. JACKSON on April 25, 1968 at Houston, Texas.

JERRY F. MC PHERSON, Manager, Holiday Inn, 9799 Katy, reviewed records for the period December 14-20, 1967; D.J. GRAVINK, Manager, Howard Johnson Motor Lodge, 7953 Katy, reviewed records for the entire year 1967; LOWELL MASON, Assistant Manager, Cactus Court, 7631 Katy, records for December, 1967. Each advised no record of CHARLES STEIN or of JAMES EARL RAY by name or aliases as occupants of motel unit during respective periods indicated.

The following investigation was conducted by SAs FRANK M. IVEY and WILLIAM G. MORRISSEY on April 25, 1968 at Houston, Texas.

Registration records of the following motels along Katy Freeway west (I.S. 10) were reviewed through the following persons for the period December 16-18, 1967 for CHARLES STEIN and/or JAMES EARL RAY by name or aliases. No record was located:

Field Inn TED DEMETRE, Manager 9821 Katy Freeway

Yupon Motel Mrs. NORA WILSIE, Manager 8615 Katy Preeway

Western Skies Motel DAVID FEERY, Manager 7809 Katy Freeway

Robinhoed Motor Lodge ROSE PATTON, Assistant Manager 7611 Katy Freeway

## 9. Associates of JAMES EARL RAY

Information developed by the Kansas City Office, FBI determined that NEAL EDGAR AEBY had been closely associated in Missouri State Penitentiary with JAMES EARL RAY while RAY was incarcerated at that institution until his escape April 23, 1967.

On April 25, 1967 NEAL EDGAR AEBY also interviewed at Ramsey Unit, Texas State Department of Corrections, Houston, Texas. AEBY advised as follows:

He and JAMES EARL RAY had been inmates at Missouri State Penitentiary for about five years. He and RAY had handled minor narcotics while in prison in order to get money for commissary items. AEBY stated that he had never known RAY to be a user of hard narcotics. AEBY has three brothers, BILL AEBY, Box 64, Segoville, Texas who also was a friend of RAY and who had served time with RAY at Missouri State Penitentiary; AUBREY AEBY, address unknown, Dallas, Texas; and JAMES AEBY who owns and operates a filling station, Dallas, Texas and who has never been arrested.

AEBY advised that he arrived at Ramsey No. 1 on April 24, 1968 after having been transferred from Missouri State Penitentiary to the TDC, Huntsville, Texas. AEBY stated that while enroute to Huntsville he was lodged in a jail in Oklahoma City for one night where he mailed a postcard to FRANK GUINAN, an inmate, Missouri State Penitentiary.

AEBY advised that his ex-wife JUDY possibly resides in the Houston area but he has not seen her for several years and does not know where she could be located.

AEBY stated that JAMES EARL RAY had very few friends while in the Missouri State Penitentiary. He described RAY as being "very deadly". He stated that RAY was not a loud rabble rousing type individual and that RAY never expressed any hatred for the Negro race but if anyone wronged him in any way RAY would immediately contrive means to get even. AEBY stated that he was a chief cook while at Wissouri State Penitentiary and that RAY worked under him

as a slicer in the bread room. AEBY advised that RAY on two occasions, once in 1962 and again in 1966 attempted to escape from Missouri State Penitentiary but in each case he was unsuccessful. In one instance the ladder broke and in the other instance the rope which he was using failed to support him and he fell and fractured his arm. After serving time in solitary RAY was again returned to the bread room.

AEBY stated that RAY had mentioned to him that he. RAY, had a brother in St. Louis and that he, RAY, was from St. Louis. AEBY advised that he did not know the names of RAY's brother or where he could be located. When questioned about the escape route utilized by RAY in 1967 AEBY advised he would not divulge this escape route as the route is still good and could be used by other prisoners. AEBY advised that he hated the warden at Missouri State Penitentiary and hoped that he was receiving considerable "heat" as a result of RAY's escape. Regarding the escape of RAY, AEBY stated that it would have been the 'smart thing to do" to have an outside man waiting to assist RAY in leaving the territory. ARRY would not admit that he knew of any outside man so assisting RAY in his escape. AEBY did not state whether or not RAY had had any inside help in his escape.

AEBY advised that in 1963 or 1964 RAY had a nervous breakdown while at Missouri State Penitentiary and RAY developed a bad stomach which necessitated RAY eating special foods. AEBY on numerous occasions would cook eggs for RAY because of RAY's stomach. He stated RAY was partial to eggs. He recalled that while at Missouri State Penitentiary RAY quit smoking probably because of his stomach ailment. He recalled too that RAY enjoyed tinkering with mechanical things and that RAY had built an airconditioner out of spare parts for RAY's jail cell. RAY was also handy in the repair of radios, parts for which he would obtain from the penitentiary machine shop. AEBY stated that he did not believe that RAY would go to Mexico or leave the country and he stated that he hoped that RAY would never be caught. AEBY stated he would in no way render assistance that would aid in the capture of RAY and he would furnish no further information regarding RAY.

JUDY CAROL PETERS, nee Thomas, also known as Judy Carol Aeby, 10205 W. Hardy, Houston, no telephone, interviewed on April 26, 1968 and furnished the following information:

She was married to NEAL EDGAR AEBY for approximately two years in 1960 and 1961. When he was arrested and returned to Missouri in 1961, she came to Houston and has not seen AEBY since that time. She last contacted him on April 19, 1962 advising him of the birth of their daughter. She has divorced AEBY and has not corresponded with him since that date. Subject RAY is unknown to her and she has not been contacted by any of AEBY's associates during the past six years. She stated AEBY does not know her exact address and could not locate her himself.

The only relative of AEBY who subject RAY might contact would be brother AUBREY AEBY, Dallas, Texas. She does not know the whereabouts of AEBY's relatives and never was closely associated with them.

PETERS promised complete cooperation and will immediately advise the FBT of any information received regarding RAY.

#### 10. GEORGE WILLIAM RUSSELL

GEORGE WILLIAM RUSSELL, a salesman for Pat Lape Mobile Homes, 3712 Telephone Road, Houston, Texas when interviewed on April 26, 1968 advised that JAMES EARL RAY was unknown to him by name or photograph. RUSSELL had been incarcerated at Missouri State Penitentiary from May, 1958 to December, 1966. He was released in 1966 and had come to Houston from St. Louis, Missouri in approximately November, 1967. RUSSELL also stated that the name NEAL EDGAR AEBY was also unknown to him.

Information was received by the FBI, Birmingham, that ERIC STARVO GALT had once indicated that he had been employed as a barger working out of St. Louis, Missouri between that city and New Orleans, Louisiana.

On April 11, 1968 COURTNEY ALLEN, Vice President, Sioux City and New Orleans Barge Lines, Houston, Texas advised records of that company, 1953 to date, contained no employment record for an ERIC STARVO GALT.

## 11. Check of Ship Departures, Houston Division

The following investigation was conducted by SA PENROD W. HARRIS:

AT CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS

On April 11, 1968 REUBEN TRAYNHAM, Inspector in Charge, U.S. Customs, Oil Industries Building, advised as follows: His agency receives a list of crew members and passengers of all U.S. vessels departing from Corpus Christi and vicinity direct for foreign ports. Since April 3, 1968 there has been only one such departure, a Marine Sea Transport Service vessel. TRAYNHAM checked the list of crew members and passengers and advised it did not contain the name ERIC STARVO GALT, HARVEY LOWMEYER, HARVEY LOWMYER or JOHN WILLARD or any logical variations of these names.

On April 11, 1968 MARGIE LE BARRON, U.S. Customs, advised her files reflected no American vessels have sailed from Galveston since April 4, 1968. She stated several foreign vessels have sailed from Galveston since April 4, 1968 but her files would not contain the crew and passenger lists as these are maintained by the agency that handles these vessels. She furnished the following list of foreign vessels that have sailed since April 4, 1968 together with the agencies that handled these vessels:

"TRADE CARRIER"
Gulf Motorship, Inc.
Texas Building
Galveston, Texas

"MANBALDO"
Texas Transport & Terminal
U.S. National Bank Building
Galveston, Texas

"MANILA MARU"
Dalton Steamship Corporation
U.S. National Bank Building
Galveston, Texas

"ILICE"
Strachen Shipping Co.
U.S. National Bank Building
Galveston, Texas

"NEW YORK MARU"
Dalton Steamship Corporation
U.S. National Bank Building
Galveston, Texas

"HONNOR"
Texas Transport and Terminal
U.S. National Bank Building
Galveston, Texas

"BOLIVA MARU"
Kerr Steamship Company
Cotton Exchange Building
Galveston, Texas

"NORSLAND"
Hansen and Tideman
Cotton Exchange Building
Galveston, Texas

The above listed agencies were contacted on April 11, 1968 and their crew and passenger lists were reviewed with negative results as to anyone by the names of ERIC STARVO GALT, HARVEY LOWMYER, HARVEY LOWMEYER or JOHN WILLARD.

RUSSELL ZOET, Supervisory Customs Maritime Officer, Houston, Texas advised on April 11, 1968 that five ships of American registry sailed from the Port of Houston during the period April 4-11, 1968, all going foreign direct. Crew and passenger lists contained no name identifiable with GALE, LOWMEYER or WILLARD. By law there is no coastwise passenger service from Houston or any other Texas port.

Inspector L.D. TURNER, JR., U.S. Customs, Beaumont, Texas and PERCY E. WALLACE, JR., Inspector, U.S. Customs, Port Arthur, Texas, April 11, 1968, were contacted and advised as follows:

A check of all departing ships, U.S. registry, April 4-10, 1968 failed to reflect the names of GALT, LOWMEYER or WILLARD as either crewmen or passengers.

## 12. Airline Checks

On April 5, 1968, DAVID MAC DONALD, Ticket Supervisor, National Airlines, Houston, advised that National Airlines and American Airlines were the only carriers flying a direct route from Houston to San Francisco. Mr. MAC DONALD was furnished the names of the possible suspects and advised that none of these names appeared on the National Airlines, Houston to San Francisco passenger manifesto for April 5, 1968.

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On April 5, 1968 JOSEPH CUTLIP, Reservations Salesman, American Airlines, Houston, was furnished the names of the possible suspects and advised that none of these names appeared on the American Airlines, Houston to San Francisco or Dallas to San Francisco passenger manifesto for April 5, 1968.

On April 23, 1968 the following stops were reset and the most current Wanted Flyer No. 405 942 G regarding JAMES EARL RAY, also known as, along with his IO, were furnished to the following:

Braniff Airlines
JOHN HARE, Agent in Charge

KIM Ursula Plumbee, Station Agent

Pan Am LEE ROJAS, Airport Customer Service Manager

Aeronaves de Mexico ALBERTO ROJAS, Manager

The above comprise those airlines that furnish international transportation from Houston International Airport.

13. Criminal, Credit, Street and Telephone
Directory Checks on All Known Names
for James Earl Ray

On April 11, 1968 the following individuals advised their files contained no record concerning HARVEY LOWMEYER or HARVEY LOWMYER:

Mrs. DORA KUHN Credit Bureau of Greater Houston

Mrs. LOIS MOERBY Records Division Houston Police Department

Mrs. POLLY KIRKBRIDE Identification Division Houston Police Department

Lieutenant REX FULLERTON
Identification Division
Harris County Sheriff's Office

Mrs. MARY C. SMITH Voter Registration Section Harris County Tax Office Houston, Texas

A review of the Houston telephone and city directories reflects no listing of an individual by the name of HARVEY LOWMEYER or HARVEY LOWMYER.

Houston indices negative concerning HARVEY LOWMEYER or HARVEY LOWMYER.

## AT CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS

The following investigation was conducted by SA PENROD W. HARRIS:

On April 10, 1968 the following persons checked their respective records under the names ERIC STARVO GALT and LOWMEYER and LOWMYER and advised they were unable to locate any record under any of these names:

GORDON LEWIS, Retail Merchants Association

W.L. BURCH, Identification Officer, Nucces County Sheriff's Office

JEFF BAGWELL, Identification Officer, Corpus Christi Police Department

EVELYN MILLER, Clerk, Local Draft Board 97

In addition, the current Southwestern Bell Telephone Company directory for Corpus Christi and the Corpus Christi City Directories for the years 1960 through 1967 were checked under these names, but no listing was located.

On April 10, 1968, Mrs. ROMA FERGUSON, Auto License Department, office of Assessor and Collector of Taxes, advised that auto licenses in Nueces County are Listed by license number only and not by name of the person to whom issued. Accordingly, there is no manner in which it can be ascertained if a particular person has an automobile license issued in this county.

On April 10, 1968, D.L. ASKEY, Voter Registration, Tax Collector's Office, advised as follows: Voter registration lists for Nueces County are maintained by alphabetical lists for each of the 106 precincts. Without knowing the address of a particular person, it would be necessary to check each precinct list to ascertain if the person has registered to vote. The voter registration lists are not presently available for examination in view of the fact they are being cross-checked and verified in connection with the approaching primary election.

On April 10, 1968, REATRICE GARZA, Clerk, Driver's License Division, Texas Department of Public Safety, 1402 S. Port, informed that no alphabetical list is maintained at this office regarding persons who have sought or to whom have been issued, Texas Driver's Licenses. She did not know whether or not alphabetical listings are maintained at the Driver's License Division of the Department of Public Safety at Austin, Texas but was of the opinion they are.

On April 10, 1968 pertinent telephone and city directories within the College Station Resident Agency were checked regarding the names of HARVEY LOWMEYER or LOWMYER and ERIC S. GALT with negative results.

On April 10, 1968 RAYMOND BUCHANAN and on April 12, 1968 MARY ARNOLD, Tax Assessor-Collector for Brazos and Walker Counties, respectively, advised no voters registration appear concerning the above names.

On April 11, 1968 BENNIE WILLIAMS, Chief Communications Officer, Department of Public Safety, Bryan, advised he caused checks to be made at Tax Assessor-Collectors Offices in Madison, Grimes, Montgomery, Polk, Trinity and San Jacinto Counties on the above names, with negative results. Similar checks were made through each respective law enforcement agency in the above counties, all negative.

The following sources of information were contacted on the dates indicated for any record of the names HARVEY LOWMEYER, HARVEY LOWMYER, ERIC GALT, ERIC GAULT and JOHN WILLARD:

## AT ANAHUAC, TEXAS

On April 11, 1968

HAZEL MOOR Chambers County Sheriff's Office Current telephone directory

JACQUELINE MC DANIEL Voter registration records

#### AT LIBERTY, TEXAS

On April 11, 1968

Deputy Sheriff M. TIPPTTT Liberty County Sheriff's Office

Chief of Police A.L. REGISTER Police Department

On April 12, 1968

STEVE DAVIS
Retail Merchants Credit Bureau

LOLA GRILLIETTE Selective Service System

On April 11, 1968

MAY CLAYTON Voter registration records

On April 11, 1968

Current telephone and city directory

AT DAYTON, TEXAS

On April 12, 1968

Chief of Police HD. LOVINGS Police Department

On April 10, 1968

Current telephone directory

#### AT CLEVELAND, TEXAS

On April 12, 1968

Chief of Police W.W. MOORE Police Department

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Retail Merchants Credit Bureau

Current telephone and city (1965) directory
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HO 44-1509 AT NEDERLAND, TEXAS On April 10, 1968 WALTER DE CUIR Police Department ANN GOSS Retail Merchants Credit Bureau Current telephone directory AT PORT NECHES, TEXAS On April 10, 1968 Chief CHARLES R. BENEFIELD Police Department Current telephone directory On April 16, 1968 JOYCE NIELSEN, Clerk, Voters Registration Records, Galveston County, Galveston, Texas, advised her files made no reference to ERIC STARVO GALT. HARVEY LOWMEYER, HARVEY LOWMEYER OF JOHN WILLARD. On April 12, 1968 ELSTE THRASH, Clerk, Local Board 49, Galveston, Texas, advised her files made no reference to GALT, LOWMYER, LOWMEYER or WILLARD. On April 15, 1968 GERRY BARBER, Credit Bureau of Texas City and the Mainland, Texas City, Texas and LILLIAN VAUGHAN, Credit Bureau of Greater Galveston, Galveston, Texas advised their files made no reference to GALT. LOWMYER, LOWMEYER or WILLARD. On April 12, 1968 all city and telephone directories severing the towns in Galveston County, Texas were reviewed with negative results as to ERIC STARVO GALT. HARVEY LOWMYER, HARVEY LOWMEYER or JOHN WILLARD. On April 12, 1968 all banking institutions, Galveson County, Texas, all police departments, Galveston County, Texas as well as Galveston County Sheriff's Office, Galveston, Texas were contacted with negative results as to ERIC STARVO GALT. HARVEY LOWMYER, HARVEY LOWMEYER and JOHN WILLARD. - 54 -2025 RELEASE UNDER E.O. 14176

The following investigation was conducted by SA JOHN G. HOUSTON at Port Arthur, Texas:

On April 16, 1968 Mrs. ELIZABETH BUCKINGHAM, Identification Division, Port Arthur Police Department, advised she was unable to locate any arrest record identifiable with a RICHARD GALT.

On April 16, 1968, FLOYD MARCEAUX, Credit Bureau of Port Arthur, stated he was unable to locate a credit record for a RICHARD GALT.

On April 16, 1968 BEN JOHNSON, Secretary, National Maritime Union (NMU), 333 7th Street, advised he was unable to locate any record for a RICHARD GALT.

On April 16, 1968 TOMMY GLADWELL, Business Agent, Seafarers International Union, 1348 7th Street, stated he did not have any record for a RICHARD GALT; Mr. GLADWELL advised all records are destroyed after a five year period.

A review of the 1967 City Directory for Beaumont, Port Arthur, Orange and Vidor, Texas, failed to reflect a listing for ERIC STARVO GALT, HARVEY LOWMEYER or JOHN WILLARD.

A review of the current telephone directories for the following cities also failed to reflect a listing for the above mentioned individuals:

Jasper, Texas
Beaumont, Texas
Orange, Texas
Bridge City, Texas
Port Arthur, Texas
San Augustine, Texas
Woodville, Texas
Spurger, Texas
Hemphill, Texas
Bronson, Texas
Pineland, Texas
Cleveland, Texas
Kirbyville, Texas
Liberty, Texas
Dayton, Texas

Credit and criminal checks, Port Arthur and Beaumont, Texas negative concerning GALT, LOWMEYER or WILLARD.

On April 11, 1968 Inspector L.G. TURNER, JR., Beaumont, Texas advised a review of all ships departing the Beaumont-Port Arthur, Texas area for foreign ports since April 4, 1968 failed to reflect a passenger or crew member under the name of JOHN WILLARD, HARVEY LOWMEYER or ERIC STARVO GALT.

The following investigation was conducted by SA GEORGE P.D. HUDNOR on April 10, 11, and 12, 1968 and listed below are the names of those individuals with their titles, agencies and locales, who were contacted in order to have their records reviewed for the names of ERIC STARVO GALT, HARVEY LOWMEYER or LOWMYER or any similar name. All record checks were negative.

April 10, 1968 At Orange, Texas

DAN GRAY Officer, Identification Division Orange Police Department

GLENDA ROBINSON, Clerk Identification Division Orange County Sheriff's Office

ROSEMARY AARON, Clerk
Tax Assessor and Collector's Office

JUDY SMITH, Clerk Retail Merchants Association

April 11, 1968 At Jasper, Texas

BUTCH NIGER
Dispatcher
Jasper County Sheriff's Office

ALTON WRIGHT COP, Jasper Police Department

ESTELLE HINSON
Clerk, Jasper Credit Bureau
(Credit bureau covers Jasper and Newton Counties)

MARTIN LINSEY
Tax Assessor and Collector
Jasper County, Texas

At San Augustine

N.L. TINDALL Sheriff, San Augustine County Sheriff's Office

BILL MC CALLUM Chief of Police, San Augustine Police Dept.

DOYLINE BENNEFIELD, Clerk Retail Merchants Association

Mrs. JIMMIE ALFORD
Tax Assessor and Collector
San Augustine County, Texas

At Hemphill, Texas

MUTT BARLOW Deputy, Sabine County Sheriff's Office

VIRGIE SPEIGHTS
Retail Merchants Association
Sabine County, Texas

PAUL SMITH
Tax Assessor and Collector
Sabine County, Texas

At Newton, Texas

CURTIS HUMPHREYS
Sheriff, Newton County Sheriff's Office

BILL DAVIS Chief of Police, Newton Police Department

ELIZABETH SMTTH
Chief Deputy
Tax Assessor and Collector's Office
Newton County, Texas

April 12, 1968 At Woodville, Texas

JOHN GRAMMER Chief of Police, Woodville Police Department

RICHARD COLE
Deputy, Tyler County Sheriff's Office

Tax Assessor and Collector, Tyler County, Texas
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At Kountze, Texas

CURTIS DAVIS
Dispatcher, Hardin County Sheriff's Office

WILLIE BEAN
Tax Assessor and Collector's Office
Hardin County, Texas

The following investigation was conducted by SA G.R. SCHWEICKHARDT and SA JOHN H. SCHULTE:

On April 19, 1968, Sergeant JERRY FOWLER and Court Dispatcher JINNY GILLASPIE of the Webster Police Department, advised that they checked their records under the names GALT, WILLARD and LOWMYER and could find no one having been arrested by the Webster Police Department. FOWLER advised there are no restaurants or bars off the main highway passing through Webster.

The following investigation was conducted by SA CARLOS L. KIRBY, JR.:

On the dates indicated the following advised they have recovered no vehicles which were stolen in the State of Georgia subsequent to March 23, 1968:

MAURICE HARR Captain, Galveston Police Department Galveston, Texas on May 2, 1968

LEO ADAMS Identification Officer, Galveston County Sheriff's Office, Galveston, Texas May 2, 1968

RANKIN DE WALT Chief of Police Texas City, Texas Police Department May 2, 1968

RICHARD DUROUX
Acting Chief of Police
LaMarque, Texas Police Department
May 2, 1968

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TO DIRECTOR AND IEMPHIS
FROM ATLANTA 44-2386

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SUMMARY OF INVESTIGATION CONDUCTED MAY TWENTYONE INSTANT.

NEIGHBORHOOD INVESTIGATION CONDUCTED IN VICINITY OF CURRENT RESIDENCE OF GERALD DUTTON, FORMER DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL STATES RIGHTS PARTY. SUBJECT'S PHOTO EXHIBITED, BUT NO PERTINENT INFORMATION OBTAINED.

ATLANTA INFORMANT ADVISES THAT A RECENT MEETING OF THE RESISTANCE NETWORK NO. FOUR NINE THREE, MINUTEMEN, ATLANTA - STONE MT., GA., AREA, THE SUBJECT OF THIS INVESTIGATION WAS BROUGHT UP. NO ONE IN ATTENDANCE AT THIS MEETING INDICATED ANY KNOWLEDGE WHATEVER OF THE SUBJECT OR HIS POSSIBLE WHEREABOUTS.

DR. HERMAN B. JONES, GA. STATE CRIME LABORATORY, ATLANTA, GEORGIA, ADVISED THE DECEASED HUMAN BODIES WHERE QUESTIONS OF IDENTIFICATION ARISE ARE PROCESSED

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THROUGH HIS OFFICE. DR. JONES ADVISED THAT QUESTIONS
OF IDENTIFICATION OF DECEASED BODIES ARE ALSO REFERRED
TO HIM THROUGH FULTON CO. CORONER'S OFFICE, ATLANTA,
GA., AND DR. JONES BELIEVES HIS FILES WILL CONTAIN
DATA IN ALL SUCH CASES OCCURRING IN THE STATE OF GA.

DR. JONES ADVISED THERE HAVE BEEN NO UNIDENTIFIED BODIES IN THE STATE OF GA. SINCE APR. ONE LAST AND THAT HE WILL PROMPTLY ADVISE ATLANTA DIVISION OF ANY PERTINENT DATA IN THIS REGARD.

CHECK OF ALL HOSPITALS IN METROPOLITAN ATLANTA AREA CONTINUING AND EXAMINATION OF INDIVIDUALS RENTING SAFE DEPOSIT BOXES OVER PERTINENT DATES ALSO CONTINUING.

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## Memorandum

TO

SAC. ATLANTA (44-2386) (P) DATE:

5/21/68

FROM:

SA JOHN B. REYNOLDS

SUBJECT:

MURKIN

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Reference is made to serial 1508 of captioned file regarding a 1968 American Motors Rebel, two door, red in color, which was found abandoned at the Birmingham Municipal Airport on April 7, 1968.

MARGEY STEPHENS, Apartment D-8, 2060 Alison Court, Southwest, Atlanta, Georgia, employed on the night shift at Hertz Rental Corporation, Atlanta Airport, viewed the rental agreement for the 1968 Rambier American, which was signed by J. TERRENCE WOLKERSTORFER, dated April 7, 1968, and stated she recalled this individual as being a white male, forty to forty-two years of age, with dark hair, small features, sharp nose, 5 feet 9, slight build, wearing a dark suit that appeared to be baggy or too large for him. She recalled this individual, stated that he left the Hertz car at the Birmingham Airport at approximately 4:00 p.m. as he boarded a flight out of Birmingham at approximately 4:15 a.m. to Atlanta, Georgia, on April 7, 1968.

She stated she recalled writing up a check-in report for this car at the Atlanta Airport and stated the man did not have the rental contract with him so she only pulled the first pink copy for this car which was issued to him at the time he rented the car at the Atlanta Airport.

She stated she stapled the check-in ticket to the pink copy and that this man furnished her the mileage of the automobile. She stated the individual appeared to be in a hurry and was carrying a briefcase or small suitcase. She did not recall getting the keys for the car from him, and she had to take the customer's word regarding the mileage and stated she was not too suspicious of the individual because he was using a credit card for the transaction. 44-2386

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She stated, to the best of her knowledge, this individual was alone, and she could not further describe him. She reviewed photographs of RAY on May 3, 1968, and stated that they did not appear identical to this individual.

Investigation was requested of the Minneapolis Office in an attempt to identify WOLKERSTORFER and to eliminate him as a suspect in this matter.

# Memorandum

TO

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

5/20/68

FROM:

SA JOHN B. REYNOLDS

SUBJECT:

MURKIN

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Reference Atlanta memo of SA HILBERT ARPS 4/27/68, serial 1365, re CORINNE WILSON.

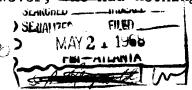
On 5/1/68, CORINNE WILSON, 573 Norfolk Street, NW, Atlanta, Georgia, was contacted, at which time she advised she had "visions about the MARTIN LUTHER KING killing." She advised that she had a vision about an old house full of women, and since the death of MARTIN LUTHER KING, has had visions of this house in Memphis, Tennessee. She advised that she had never been to Memphis, however, in seeing articles on TV she has identified the areas and buildings as the same area and buildings she had in her visions.

CORINNE WILSON stated that she has been a spiritual reader for years and usually has visions about activities which she cannot explain; however, she later sees or hears things over the news media which she relates are identical to her previous CORINNE WILSON described all of the visions that she had and stated that she not only has had visions about the killing of MARTIN LUTHER KING, but has had other visions regarding other killings concerning people in the Atlanta area and related the story of the three Negroes who were involved in the death of a motel operator during the evening and were later arrested by the Atlanta Police Department after a wild chase, at which time she stated the individuals involved for the death of the motel operator were not Negroes, but were white people. She also indicated that she had a vision of JAMES EARL RAY, and in this vision, saw him in the Fourteenth Street area. She went on to elaborate about her visions regarding RAY and the MARTIN LUTHER KING killing, and stated that if she worked with the FBI in the beginning, she could find RAY in Atlanta, as she would be on the alert for him through her visions.

In view of the above, it is recommended that no further contact be had with CORINNE WILSON, and it is pointed out that she has made numerous phone calls to this office since the initial contact, which phone calls were returned; however, she had nothing

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of a pertinent nature to furnish, other than visions that she has had regarding this matter.

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# Memorandum

TO

SAC, ATLANTA (44-2386) (P) DATE: 5/20/68

5010-106

FROM:

SA JOHN B. REYNOLDS

SUBJECT:

MURKIN

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Reference is made to Atlanta memo of SA JOHN J. LANGSFELD and SA JOHN B. REYNOLDS dated 4/26/68 regarding stolen automobiles stolen in the Atlanta area between March 23, 1968, and April 20, 1968.

In connection with referenced memo, it is pointed out that a check of the Atlanta indices reflects a 1965 Chevrolet Super Sport two-door hardtop, blue, listed on page 4 of referenced memo, which car was stolen on 3/29/68 from CHARLES E. HARRIS is carried in the Atlanta indices and investigation conducted thereafter in Atlanta file 26-43003. In this connection, it was noted that in this file information was received from Knoxville that a 1966 Chevrolet Impala, four-door sedan, bearing Georgia license 1J-64233 was seen in the Knoxville area and suspected to be stolen. However, at the time, inquiries reflected this car was registered to CHARLES E. HARRIS, and the car was, at that time, in his possession, indicating that the investigation at Knoxville was in error regarding the Georgia license plate.

It is noted that this car later was reported stolen by HARRIS on 3/29/68, and in view of this, HARRIS was interviewed at his place of employment, THEODORE O. SKINNER, Architects, at the Walton Building, on April 30, 1968. HARRIS advised he purchased his 1965 Chevrolet Super Sport, two-door hardtop, light blue in color, from Central Chevrolet during March 1966, and the car was insured by GMAC. He advised that his payments were up to date and that he has no suspects regarding the theft of this car.

He advised that during March of 1968 he was not in the Knoxville area, and specifically on March 4 and 5, he definitely was not in Knoxville and, therefore, could not explain why anyone would be making an inquiry regarding his car or license plate.

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AT 44-2386 HARRIS advised that he was originally from Nashville, Tennessee, and came to Atlanta in approximately September of 1961, and has been employed by different architect firms here. A neighborhood investigation was conducted at the Thirteenth Street area in the vicinity where the 1965 Chevrolet was stolen. However, this neighborhood investigation met with negative results. In connection with investigation regarding stolen automobiles, ten logical automobiles were selected from the list numbering 64 automobiles stolen between March 23, 1968 and April 20, 1968, and specific investigation was conducted regarding these ten automobiles in an attempt to ascertain if subject RAY possibly may have been involved in the theft of these cars. In this connection ASAC JACK KEITH, Jr., selected ten automobiles, mainly based on the date of the theft of these cars, which were utilized as targets to investigate in an attempt to ascertain if RAY possibly stole one of these cars to leave the Atlanta area. Investigation, as set out by the ASAC, is referred to in serials 1320 through 1329. Investigation regarding serial 1320, regarding the 1965 Chevrolet Corvette convertible, reflects this car was stolen from GEORGE ROBINSON, who resided at 2204 Peachtree Road, Atlanta, Georgia. ROBINSON was contacted and presently resides at 1069 Hudson Drive, Northeast, Atlanta, Georgia, and is employed by Lockheed at Marietta.

On the date of the theft of his car, he was moving from his apartment on Peachtree Road and had only parked the car at approximately 11:00 p.m. on April 5, 1968, and went into his apartment, and almost immediately upon entering the apartment, he heard his car drive off and immediately reported the car stolen.

He stated he had the keys to the car in his possession. However, the car was not locked, and he had no suspects regarding the theft of this car. The photograph of JAMES EARL RAY was negative to him, and a neighborhood investigation conducted on

April 30, 1968, failed to indicate anything of a positive nature regarding a suspect on the theft of this car. Photographs were displayed to neighbors with negative results.

Regarding serial 1321, the investigation regarding a 1967 Buick Riviera, which was reported stolen by GEORGE WILLIAMSON on April 5, 1968, from 2760 Peachtree Road. Investigation was conducted at 2760 Peachtree Road, and it was ascertained that this is a nonexistent number and that the car was actually stolen from 2970 Peachtree Road from Mr. WILLIAMSON who is employed by Crest Mark Products of Room 854 of an office building at that same location. Investigation reflects that this car was stolen from the public parking lot at the rear of the office building, and at the time of theft, the car was not locked. However, the owner had the keys in his possession.

A neighborhood investigation was not feasible in this theft as it was a public parking lot, and WILLIAMSON was unable to furnish any information regarding any suspects. WILLIAMSON advised that the photographs of RAY were not familiar to him.

Regarding investigation re serial 1322, regarding a 1950 Ford, investigation reflected that this car was stolen on April 6, 1968, from 1281 Sizemore Drive, Northwest, Atlanta, Georgia, which area is a low-class white neighborhood. Investigation reflects the 1950 Ford was owned by DENNIS CLAYTON who is presently assigned to the United States Marine Corps and is at the Memphis Naval Hospital in Memphis, Tennessee.

The 1950 Ford was kept in the possession of RAYMOND CLAYTON, a cab driver for Checker Cab Company in Atlanta, Georgia. RAYMOND CLAYTON and JERRY CLAYTON, who are brothers to DENNIS CLAYTON, were interviewed regarding the theft of the 1950 Ford and displayed appropriate photographs of RAY. However, they could furnish no information regarding RAY or a suspect regarding the theft of the car.

RAYMOND CLAYTON, the cab driver, was interviewed regarding the Capitol Homes area and the Fourteenth Street area in connection with a possible passenger in his cab, at which time he denied having any knowledge of RAY and stated he was not working during the pertinent period.

AT 44-2386 Inasmuch as DENNIS CLAYTON is presently assigned to the United States Marine Corps Naval Hospital in Memphis, Tennessee, a teletype was directed to Memphis to interview DENNIS CLAYTON for any possible connection he may have with the MURKIN matter. Investigation regarding serial 1323, regarding a 1959 Chevrolet, reflects this car was stolen on April 6, 1968, from 1375 Woodland Avenue, Southeast, Atlanta, Georgia. Investigation at 1375 Wood land Avenue reflects the owner, Mrs. GLENNA SMITH, moved from that address sometime after the theft of the automobile. Investigation reflects Mrs. SMITH only resided at that address for approximately thirty days, but that she was employed by the Holiday Inn on Virginia Avenue in East Point, Georgia. A neighborhood investigation at 1375 Woodland Avenue, failed to reflect anything of a concrete nature regarding suspect on the theft of the 1959 Chevrolet or to identify RAY. Investigation was conducted at the Holiday Inn, and it was ascertained that Mrs. GLENNA SMITH moved back to 191 32nd Avenue, Columbus, Georgia, as her husband was transferred back to Columbus. Mrs. SMITH was employed as a waitress at the Holiday Inn and according to the manager, KEN RIGELLS, she enjoyed a fine reputation. Investigation regarding serial 1324, a 1967 Dodge stolen on April 6, 1968, from J. J. FRIEDMAN, 3243 Lindmore Drive, Decatur, Georgia, reflects this car was stolen from the restaurant parking lot of JOHN ESCO at 2143 Peachtree Road. Investigation at JOHN ESCO's Restaurant reflects a neighborhood investigation was not feasible as there were no residences or business establishments where a neighborhood investigation could be conducted. J. J. FRIEDMAN was contacted, and it was ascertained that this individual is known to the Atlanta Office and was previously handled by SA JOHN C. GORDON as a criminal informant. FRIEDMAN presently operates a Volkswagen repair garage in Tucker, Georgia, and he was interviewed in regard to the theft of his automobile, a 1967 white Dodge, at which time he advised he parked the car at approximately 7:00 p.m. on April 6, 1968, and when he left the restaurant at approximately 9:15 p.m. the car was missed. He advised the car was locked up and he had 2025 RELEASE UNDER E.O. 14176

the keys in his possession, and he had no suspects regarding the theft of this car. Photographs of RAY were displayed to FRIEDMAN with negative results.

In connection with investigation regarding serial 1325, regarding a 1960 Thunderbird stolen on April 6, 1968, Mr. LARRY O. CAMP, employed by Plywood, Inc., 724 Memorial Drive, and residing at 714 Bryan Street, advised that he owned a 1960 Thunderbird, which car was parked at the corner of Chastain near Memorial Drive, Southeast, Atlanta, Georgia, and was stolen at approximately 12:00 to 1:30 p.m. on April 6, 1968.

CAMP advised that the transmission of this car had locked up on him and that he had left the car at the location described above for approximately three or four days indicating he left the car there on about April 2 or 3, 1968. He advised that sometime during the time the car was there that someone had knocked the windshield out of the car, and he recalls seeing the car there at that location on April 6, 1968, while he was walking from his place of employment to his residence for lunch.

Upon returning from his residence, after lunch, he walked by the location, and the 1960 Thunderbird was gone. He immediately reported the theft to the Atlanta Police Department and stated that the car was not operating, could not be driven, and did not have a windshield. In view of the above, no further action was taken regarding this automobile as the car, at the time it was stolen, could not be driven.

Investigation was conducted regarding serial 1326, regarding a 1962 Rambler Classic, four-door, automobile, which was stolen from CHARLES McSEARS at 4015 Bakers Ferry Road, Southwest, Atlanta, Georgia. Investigation reflects that this is a Negro neighborhood and that the car was in the garage at this residence while the owner, Mr. and Mrs. CHARLES McSEARS, were away from their residence at Lafayette, Georgia.

According to Mr. McSEARS, he is employed by General Motors Corporation at Doraville, Georgia, and he left the car in his garage and locked his residence when they left for a weekend to go to Lafayette, Georgia. When he returned, he noticed that his house was burglarized and the car, a 1962

Rambler, was stolen from the garage. He had no suspects regarding the theft of this car, and stated that in the burglary a portable TV, a stereo-radio combination, and jewelry was taken in the burglary, which all was reported to the Atlanta Police Department. McSEARS advised that a contact of neighbors in the area failed to reflect anything of a pertinent nature regarding the theft of his car. Mr. McSEARS was shown photographs of JAMES EARL RAY with negative results.

Investigation was conducted regarding serial 1327, regarding a 1960 Chevrolet, which car was stolen on April 6, 1968, from 22 Butler Street, which is directly across the street from the YMCA. ERNEST BROOKS, 1197 Simpson Road, Apartment 8, advised he operates the parking lot located across the street from the Butler Street YMCA and that one LOVICE WHITFIELD, owner of the 1960 Chevrolet, is a friend of his. According to Mr. BROOKS, he received information on Sunday morning that WHITFIELD's car was stolen from the parking lot and mentioned it to another associate of his, at which time this associate stated he had seen WHITFIELD's car parked in the area of McDaniel Street. (Exact street and location unknown.)

According to BROOKS, he and his friend, along with WHITFIELD, went to the McDaniel Street area and rode around the area on Sunday evening, April 7, 1968, and were successful in locating the car abandoned on the street.

According to BROOKS, the Atlanta Police Department was advised, and they came to the scene of the recovery of the automobile and released the car to BROOKS.

Sergeant L. N. BRADLEY was advised of the above and took the necessary action to show that this 1960 Chevrolet was recovered on April 7, 1968, in Atlanta near McDaniel Street.

Investigation was conducted regarding serial 1328, regarding a 1964 Chevrolet Impala, which was stolen from Mrs. A. G. FEE, which car was stolen from 72 Fifth Street, Northeast, Atlanta, Georgia. Mrs. OPEL FEE, Fee Beauty Shop, 402 Carnegie Way, Northeast, Atlanta, Georgia, advised she parked her 1964 Chevrolet Impala on the yellow curb on Fifth Street across the

street from the church located at Fifth and Peachtree on Palm Sunday to go to church services and when she returned at approximately 12:15 p.m., the car was missing.

Mrs. FEE stated she is employed as a real estate salesman during the weekend for an Executive Realty Company and had real estate signs in the car at the time it was stolen. She stated the car was insured by Fireman's Fund, Inc., Insurance Company, and she had no suspects regarding the theft of this car. She advised that a photograph of RAY was not familiar to her.

A neighborhood investigation at 72 Fifth Street was conducted; however, it is noted that there are no business establishments at this area which would have been open on Palm Sunday in the morning, who may have been in a position for furnishing any information regarding any suspect.

Investigation was conducted regarding serial 1329, regarding a 1960 Chevrolet Bel Air, two-door, white, which was stolen from M & R ALLEN at Mawn and Euclid Parking Lot on April 7, 1968. According to Mr. ALLEN, this car was parked on Saturday night at approximately 6:30 p.m., and that when he returned to the car at 9:00 p.m., the car was no longer in the parking area located behind the drug store on Euclid Avenue in the Little Five Points area.

Mr. ALLEN advised that he had just recently purchased this automobile from Tom's Auto Sales at 1875 Candler Road, and immediately after picking up the car from this auto sales, drove the car to the Euclid Avenue area where he parked the car and approximately two hours later the car was stolen from him.

He stated he paid \$450.00 for the car and still owes Tom's Auto Sales about \$360.00. He advised he had no insurance on the car, and had no suspects regarding the theft of this car. Photographs of RAY were displayed to ALLEN with negative results.

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# Memorandum

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SAC (44-2386) (P)

DATE:

5/21/68

FROM:

SA ROBERT R. NICHOLS

SUBJECT:

MURKIN

Re memo of Supervisor ANGELO M. ROBBE, 5/15/68.

Assist. COP A. L. ARNOLD, Valdosta PD, and Deputy Sheriff BILLY COWART, Lowndes County SO, Valdosta, Ga., advised on 5/20/68 that they had no unsolved robberies or burglaries where subjects' descriptions fit description of JAMES EARL RAY.

Contacts with SOs and PDs on 5/17/68 at Lakeland, Ga.; Homerville, Ga.; Statesville, Ga.; and Hahira, Ga., indicated they have no unsolved robberies or burglaries during 4/23/67-4/4/68, where subjects' descriptions are near that of RAY.

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TO

SAC (44-2386) (P) DATE:

5/21/68

FROM:

SA BERNARD R. BERRY

SUBJECT:

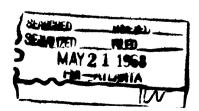
MURKIN

Re memo of Supervisor ANGELO M. ROBBE, 5/15/68.

On 5/16/68, GBI Agent DON WARD, who covers Catoosa County, Ga., and Whitfield County, Ga., and Sheriff J. D. STEWART, Catoosa County, Ga., requested to display photo of subject RAY to witnesses of their unsolved robberies. Each advised they would review their records and would endeavor to comply with this request.

It is noted that there are no unsolved bank robberies or bank burglaries in Catoosa County, Ga., covered by the Dalton RA.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO

SAC, ATLANTA (44-2386) DATE: 5/20/68

FROM:

SA JAMES RICHARD FLICK

SUBJECT:

MURKIN

Re Atlanta telcall of SA RAYMOND MICHEL, 5/16/68.

On 5/17/68, NORM STIEHL, Plant Protection, Lockheed-Georgia, Marietta, advised WALTER CLYDE HERRON, JR., 5825 Greenbriar, N.E., Atlanta, phone BL 5-8552, has been employed at Lockheed-Georgia, continuously since 4/27/53, as a Precessing Engineer. STIEHL advised HERRON has been an excellent employee and has not been absent from work except on very infrequent occasions.

STIEHL provided the following description of WALTER CLYDE HERRON, JR.:

> Race White Sex Male DOB POB Columbia, S.C. 5' 11" Height Weight 145 pounds Hair Brown Eyes Blue, wears glasses

Social Sec. # Military

U. S. Army from 5/51 - 3/53,

1st Lt. and rec'd honorable discharge

Graduated from Clemson University, Education

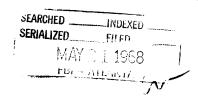
Clemson, S.C., June, 1949.

Previous

Dan River Mills (location unknown) Employment

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STIEHL advised the employee's record at the plant has been excellent, there is no derogatory information reflected therein, nor any additional pertinent information in his files.

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FBI Date: 5-21-68 Airtel \_\_\_\_\_ (Priority) -----SAC's, Atlanta (44-2386) - Enc. (29) To: Memphis (44-1987) From: Director, FBI (44-38861) MURKIN Re Atlanta letter 5-13-68, submitting eighteen lifts and seven negatives of latent impressions from the files of Rome, Georgia, Police Department for examination. Latent fingerprints appearing on these lifts and in the negatives are not identical with the finger ints of James Earl Ray, FBI #405942G. No palm prints Identification Division files for Ray. The lifts, negatives, and four identifying envelopes enclosed to Atlanta. No photographic copies of the latent prints were prepared for Bufiles. 44-23-6-1936 Sent Via

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TO

SAC, ATLANTA (44-2386)(P)

DATE: 5/21/68

FROM:

IC MARION W. DAVIS

SUBJECT:

MURKIN

Re Birmingham teletype to Bureau, Memphis & Atlanta, 4/23/68.

The following investigation was conducted at Atlanta re all vehicles reflected re teletype which were located at the Airport parking lot, Birmingham, Alabama:

> 1968 Georgia license 7J15873 was registered to CLIFFORD LAMAR HALL, JR., 2317 Pollyridge Drive, Marietta, Georgia, for 1968 Ford, VIN 7A53C157110. Investigation determined vehicle was not stolen and HALL was not identical to JAMES EARL RAY. HALL has since picked up his automobile and has same in his possession.

1968 Georgia license 1A15355 was registered to American Car and Truck Leasing, Inc., 399 Spring Street, Atlanta, for 1968 Pontiac, VIN 262398R105335. Vehicle was leased to MAX F. LINESTER and Associates. Investigation determined Mr. GALE LINESTER's father was in possession of this vehicle in Birmingham where he left same while he flew to Chicago. Mr. LINESTER now has vehicle back in his possession and neither he nor his father could possibly be identical to subject RAY.

1967 Georgia license 7J7395 was registered to BOBBY GLENN JOHNSON, 250 Matthews Circle, Marietta, Georgia, for 1966 Chevrolet Belair, VIN 156696M92916. JOHNSON determined to be husband of ex-FBI employee, Atlanta Division, previously employed by Revelon as sales representative. Vehicle not stolen. Mr. JOHNSON not identical with subject RAY.

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

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1968 Georgia license 1J30349 was registered to National Car Rental Company, Atlanta Airport Branch, for 1968 Buick LaSabre, VIN 454878R015455. Vehicle rented to VERNON A. PARRY, Stone Mountain, Georgia, who is a representative of the Red Sizzers Club out of Minneapolis, Minnesota. PARRY well known at National Car Rental and vehicle not stolen. PARRY not identical to subject RAY.

1968 Georgia license 5J7569 was registered to Hertz Rent-A-Car Corporation, Macon, Georgia, for 1968 Chevrolet Impala, VIN 164698D105681. Vehicle rented to T.M.C. POWER Company of Springfield, Virginia. Representative had vehicle in Birmingham on 4/21/68 and has been several places since. Vehicle is still in possession of POWER representative and not stolen. Hertz Corporation Manager, SAM CHANDLER, advises this individual could not be identical with subject RAY.

1968 Georgia license 1-49914 is for 1968 Rebel, WN A8A197M248197. This vehicle has been handled in a separate communication.

1968 Georgia license 2J16613. This license was registered to SANDRA CULLEY, 2647 Warwick Circle, N.E., Atlanta, Georgia, for 1962 Chevrolet Impala, four-door, color beige, VIN 21839J191275. No theft report located for this vehicle. Several attempts have been made to contact SANDRA CULLEY at this address with negative results. CULLEY formerly in U.S. Army and was previously working for Southern Tea Company, 437 Armour Circle, where she resigned several months ago and current employment or her location is unknown to personnel of this company. Check with Telephone Company failed to reflect a telephone listed for SANDRA CULLEY. Further investigation determined that SANDRA CULLEY was single, born and previously resided,

no date known, at 595 Sherwood Road, N.E., Atlanta. Since several attempts have been made to contact her at 2647 Warwick Circle have been negative, suggest lead be assigned to Agent for contacting after 6 p.m. in the afternoon to determine reason for vehicle being in Birmingham, Alabama, during specific period and to determine if subject JAMES EARL RAY known to her and if vehicle possibly stolen or has any possible connection with MURKIN case.

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714 PM URGENT 5/21/68 ALS TO DIRECTOR (44-38861). ATLANTA AND MEMPHIS FROM TAMPA (157-3231)

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RE: EASTERN AIRLINES (EAL) FLIGHTS OUT OF ATLANTA APRIL FIVE THROUGH TWELVE LAST.

MR. CHARLES E. FOSTER. RESERVATIONS SUPERVISOR. DELTA AIRLINES TAMPA. ADVISED ALL TAMPA DELTA AIRLINES RECORDS MAINTAINED IN COM-PUTER. ATLANTA DELTA OFFICE. AND SEARCH FROM MAY NINE THROUGH TVENTY-ONE LAST FAILED TO LOCATE ANY J. VALTON OR RECORDS FOR TRAVEL FROM ATLANTA TO TAMPA ON EAL FLIGHT TWO SEVEN THREE Y ON APRIL TWELVE LAST. NO RECORD LOCATED AND HE SAID NOTHING FURTHER CAN BE DON IN TAMPA.

ATLANTA AT DELTA AIRLINES. CONTACT COMPUTER LIBRARIAN AND CONDUCT INQUIRY AS TO WHAT FURTHER EFFORTS CAN BE MADE TO ELIMINATE J. WALTON.

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# Memorandum

TO

SAC, ATLANTA (44-2386)(P)DATE: 5/21/68

FROM:

IC MARION W. DAVIS

SUBJECT:

MURKIN

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

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

On 5/20/68, Mrs. TINA CLUNE (Protect Identity), Southern Bell Telephone & Telegraph Company, Atlanta, advised local number area code 404, 259-3027, was listed to H. H. PATTERSON, Pleasant Hill Drive, Dalton, Georgia. Services were connected 1/5/66. No credit information obtainable.

Mrs. CLUNE advised that she obtained quite a bit of difficulty in obtaining this information from Dalton as the micro-film machine had been broken and she could not obtain the information; further, the lady in charge of the library in Dalton advised that there was only one long-distance call made from that number which was not on the dates specified and the total charges were only  $35\phi$ , indicating that it was local and she doubted if the call would have been to Atlanta. In view of this information, no further checking being done on this number at Atlanta.

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Will conduct appropriate investigation to identify caller who made call from Texas and if not RAY or CHARLES STEIN, will ascertain if RAY known to them.

A & D.