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Date: 6/5/68

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(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)  
FROM: SAC, NEW ORLEANS (157-10673)  
SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Los Angeles airtel 5/23/68; and Buairtel 6/4/68.

Prior to receipt of reBuairtel, the New Orleans Division on 5/31/68 contacted Mr. NAURBON PERRY, Group Supervisor, Intelligence, Internal Revenue Service, New Orleans, exploring the feasibility of obtaining information from TCR-1 Forms.

PERRY stated that his office receives these forms through the Federal Reserve Bank and they come from banks all over the Gulf Coast, including Mobile, Alabama. He stated cooperation with regard to completing a TCR-1 Form is for the most part voluntary on the part of the banks. The regulations regarding the TCR-1's completion are handled by the Comptroller of Currency and he pointed out that most banks do not follow these regulations to the letter.

PERRY stated he was specifically prohibited by Statute from disclosing information from the TCR-1 Form, and that he would not be able to disclose this information without the specific permission of the Commissioner of IRS.

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1 - Birmingham (44-1740) (INFO)  
1 - Los Angeles (44-1574) (INFO)  
1 - Memphis (44-1987) (INFO)  
2 - New Orleans

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Later that date, Mr. PERRY advised that he had been in telephonic contact with his national office in Washington, D. C., relative to the disclosure problem surrounding the furnishing of information from the TCR-1 Forms to the FBI. He stated he expected a decision would be reached by 6/3/68.

In view of this, leads to contact all banks in the New Orleans area were held in abeyance pending further word from Mr. PERRY.

On 6/3/68, Mr. PERRY was recontacted and advised that he had heard nothing yet giving him authorization to disclose the desired information.

As of 6/4/68, no word had been received from PERRY therefore, leads concerning contact with individual banks previously assigned will be covered in accordance with instructions in Buairtel dated 5/21/68.

Above for information of the Bureau.

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TO: SAC, ATLANTA (44-2386)  
FROM: SAC, SAVANNAH (44-1768) (P)  
SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re WFO airtel to Bureau dated 5/31/68.

Atlanta is requested to refer to enclosure to referenced airtel indicating that the "His and Her Club", an alleged obscene pen pal club, is operating in Savannah, Ga.

On 6/4/68, U. S. Postal Inspector JOHN GABBERTT, Savannah, Ga., advised that instant club is being investigated by Postal Inspector DAVID L. CAPPS, Macon, Ga., who specializes in this type of investigation and handles the investigations for the entire State of Georgia.

Mr. GABBERTT advised that the organizers of the club, names unrecalled, resided in Savannah, Ga. He stated that he received the initial complaint regarding the club and that the entire file and resulting investigation would be in possession of Mr. CAPPS in Macon, Ga.

LEAD:ATLANTA DIVISION:AT MACON, GEORGIA:

Contact Postal Inspector DAVID L. CAPPS regarding above club and set out appropriate leads as indicated in referenced airtel.

- ② - Atlanta  
1 - Memphis (44-1987)  
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TO ATLANTA CHICAGO DALLAS HOUSTON LOS ANGELES MEMPHIS MIAMI MINNEAPOLIS  
NEW YORK  
FROM DIRECTOR 44-38861 1P

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REMIAMI TEL TO BUREAU JUNE FIVE LAST.

INDIVIDUAL KNOWN AS RAMON GEORGE SNEYD WAS  
DETERMINED TO HAVE BEEN IN TORONTO, CANADA, AS OF  
APRIL EIGHT SIXTY-EIGHT. CHECK OF AIRLINE RECORDS CAN,  
THEREFORE, BE LIMITED TO PERIOD OF APRIL FIVE THROUGH  
APRIL EIGHT SIXTY-EIGHT. ADVISE BUREAU OF IDENTITIES OF  
PERSONS TO WHOM SUCH TICKETS WERE ISSUED BUT DO NOT  
SET OUT LEADS TO TRACE SUCH PERSONS UNTIL ADVISED BY  
BUREAU.

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TO DIRECTOR, ATLANTA, BIRMINGHAM, CHICAGO,  
DALLAS, HOUSTON, INDIANAPOLIS, JACKSONVILLE, KANSAS CITY,  
LOS ANGELES, LOUISVILLE, MINNEAPOLIS, NEW YORK, OKLAHOMA CITY,  
SACRAMENTO, SAN FRANCISCO, SEATTLE, ST. LOUIS AND SPRINGFIELD.  
FROM MEMPHIS 44-1987

MURKIN.

RECEIVING OFFICES DISCONTINUE EFFORTS TO LOCATE PAUL  
OSBORN BRIDGEMAN, MSP NUMBER ONE ZERO ONE THREE FOUR, AS  
HE WAS LOCATED AND INTERVIEWED BY MINNEAPOLIS DIVISION  
THIS DATE. ARMED AND DANGEROUS. P. END.

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date May 2, 1968

RAYMOND LOUIS CURTIS, who is confined in the Whitfield County Jail, Dalton, Georgia, advised he did not personally serve time with JAMES EARL RAY in the Menard Prison, Illinois, and the only information he has regarding this is what RAY told him. This information was related to him by RAY while he and RAY were serving time together in the Jackson County Jail, Kansas City, Missouri, for a six or seven month period.

He stated he never heard RAY say that he had served time in Joliet or Pontiac Prisons, but he felt that if RAY had served time in either one of those places, he would probably have been shipped to Menard Prison for discharge.

CURTIS advised there was a close associate of RAY's serving time in Jackson County with them. He cannot recall the name of this individual, but stated he was convicted as a co-defendant with RAY on the same check charge and from conversation with RAY, this individual was presumably the same person with whom RAY served time in Menard Prison.

CURTIS advised he recalls a third unidentified individual visiting RAY and his co-defendant in Jackson County Jail who seemed very close to both of them, but stated he strongly doubted that the visitor's log maintained at the Jail would reflect the name of this visitor due to irregularities in keeping such logs.

He advised he could not furnish a description of the third man.

CURTIS advised he was confined in the Jefferson County Jail with RAY and his co-defendant from approximately March of 1955 until July of 1955, and that they all subsequently ended up together in Leavenworth Prison.

On 4/22/68 at Dalton, Georgia File # Atlanta-44-2386 - 2054  
by SA BERNARD R. BERRY *BRB* :bjc Date dictated 4/26/68

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AT 44-2386  
BRB:bjc

He stated while at Leavenworth Prison, RAY's associate and co-defendant did nothing but lift weights and attempt to improve his physique.

He described this co-defendant as being a white male, age 36, at that time, 5'10" to 6', 180 pounds, and well built.

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TO DIRECTOR (44-38861) ATLANTA (44-2386) BIRMINGHAM, MEMPHIS (44-1987)  
NEWARK, NEW YORK & PHILADELPHIA  
FROM SAN FRANCISCO (173-65) 2P

MURKIN

RE SAN FRANCISCO AIRTEL JUNE THREE LAST.

AIRTEL NOT FURNISHED NEWARK, NEW YORK AND PHILADELPHIA.

RE: BRUCE IRWIN GOVERN, AKA.

88-8707-279  
ROBERT LAWRENCE RUSSELL, AKA ROBERT LAWRENCE, FBI NUMBER EIGHT

NINE TWO DASH ONE FOUR FOUR A, INTERVIEWED SAN FRANCISCO COUNTY JAIL  
JUNE FOUR, LAST, STATED HE HAD WRITTEN FOUR PAGE LETTER ADDRESSED TO  
BRUCE SET OUT IN RE AIRTEL. RUSSELL STATED THIS LETTER WAS A COM-  
PLETE FABRICATION OF HIS IMAGINATION AND HE GAVE LETTER TO GOVERN WHO  
WAS A "HIPPIE," SEEMED TO BE ALL DOPED UP, AND WAS USING "SOMETHING"  
EVEN WHILE CONFINED TO SAN FRANCISCO JAIL.

RE: ROBERT LAWRENCE RUSSELL.

RUSSELL STATED HE HAD MET A JIMMY GALT IN NEW ORLEANS, LA., IN  
LATE APRIL OR EARLY MAY, SIXTYSEVEN. HE OBSERVED THE MOST RECENT  
PHOTOGRAPHS OF JAMES EARL RAY AND ADVISED THE PHOTOGRAPH WITH THE  
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SUNGLASSES IN SHORT SLEEVE SHIRT DID NOT RESEMBLE THE MAN HE MET IN NEW ORLEANS. HE ADVISED THE PHOTOGRAPH OF RAY IN A BUSINESS SUIT RESEMBLED THE MAN HE MET IN NEW ORLEANS.

DURING THE ENTIRE INTERVIEW OF RUSSELL, HE APPEARED VAGUE, RAMBLING, INDECISIVE, INCOMPLETE, AND WHEN ASKED TO REPEAT VARIED HIS STORY SUFFICIENTLY SO AS TO WARRANT SKEPTICISM AS TO THE HONESTY AND ACCURACY OF HIS STATEMENTS.

SAN FRANCISCO CONTEMPLATES REINTERVIEW OF RUSSELL AFTER INFORMATION IS RECEIVED FROM OTHER OFFICES WHICH WOULD PERMIT THE INTERVIEWING AGENTS TO HAVE SOME AWARENESS OF HIS CREDIBILITY.

THE IDENT DIVISION IS REQUESTED TO FURNISH SAN FRANCISCO WITH A CURRENT IDENT RECORD FOR RUSSELL.

NEW YORK, NEWARK, AND PHILADELPHIA ARE REQUESTED TO FURNISH THIS OFFICE WITH ANY INFORMATION THEY HAVE WHICH WOULD PERMIT THIS OFFICE TO MAKE A DETERMINATION OF RUSSELL'S RELIABILITY AND CREDIBILITY.

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JAMES EARL RAY SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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**PERSONAL ATTENTION****MURKIN**

ReLAairtel 5/23/68.

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In view of this, every office receiving this communication will explore the feasibility of obtaining the information from Internal Revenue Service Intelligence Units within their division. It is very possible that the information requested by the Bureau regarding withdrawals of \$10,000 or more from banks could be more readily obtained through the Internal Revenue Service.

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- 2 - New Orleans (44-10673)
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**Airtel SAC, Atlanta**  
**RE: MURKIN**

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June 4, 1968

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625PM URGENT 6-5-68 LCS

TO DIRECTOR, MEMPHIS, AND NEW YORK  
FROM ATLANTA 44-2386

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SUMMARY OF INVESTIGATION CONDUCTED JUNE FIVE INSTANT.

JOHN F. MACKIE, TWO NINE ZERO NINTH AVENUE, NEW YORK CITY, TELEPHONICALLY CONTACTED ATLANTA OFFICE THIS DATE WHILE IN ATLANTA AREA. MACKIE STATES AFTER OBSERVING NEWS COVERAGE DISPLAYING PHOTOS OF SUBJECT RAY, HE BELIEVES HE MET A PERSON WHO APPEARS IDENTICAL TO RAY AT THE OASIS BAR, SEVENTH AVE. AND TWENTYTHIRD STREET, NYC, APPROXIMATELY TWO WEEKS AGO. MACKIE ADVISES THIS INDIVIDUAL INTRODUCED HIMSELF AS GEORGE (LNU), INDICATED HE WAS A SEAMAN, AND WAS RESIDING AT A PLACE MACKIE BELIEVED WAS CALLED THE TERMINAL HOTEL AT TWENTYTHIRD AND ELEVENTH STREET WHICH IS A HOTEL FOR TRANSIENTS. MACKIE ADVISED THAT HE MET GEORGE (LNU) IN BAR AND CONVERSED FOR APPROXIMATELY FIFTEEN MINUTES TO HALF HOUR, BUYING A DRINK FOR GEORGE (LNU). GEORGE DESCRIBED AS WHITE MALE, FIVE FT. TEN AND ONE HALF IN., ONE SIX FIVE LBS., BLACK HAIR, NO VISIBLE SCARS OR MARKS, WEARING CHINO TROUSERS, LOAFERS, AND BLAZER JACKET. MACKIE OF THE OPINION GEORGE (LNU) AND RAY IDENTICAL.

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RACIAL INFORMANTS, ATLANTA, HAVE BEEN RECONTACTED FOR ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REGARDING ASSASSINATION. EFFORTS CONTINUING ATLANTA TO VERIFY STORY OF USP INMATE BILLY MACK WISDOM.

NEW YORK WILL DISPLAY PHOTO OF SUBJECT RAY AT OASIS BAR AND TERMINAL HOTEL IN ATTEMPT TO ELIMINATE GEORGE (LNU) AS BEING IDENTICAL WITH JAMES EARL RAY.

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600 PM IMMEDIATE 6/4/68 PHM

TO DIRECTOR, ATLANTA, BIRMINGHAM, DALLAS, INDIANAPOLIS, JACKSONVILLE,  
LOS ANGELES, LOUISVILLE, MEMPHIS AND MINNEAPOLIS  
FROM KANSAS CITY 44-760 10 P

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DAILY SUMMARY.

RE KANSAS CITY DAILY SUMMARY JUNE THREE LAST AND BUCALL  
TO SAC, KANSAS CITY, JUNE TWO LAST FURNISHING THE FOLLOWING INFO:  
RAMON GEORGE SNEYD WHOSE PASSPORT PHOTO MAY BE THAT OF SUBJECT RAY,  
OBTAINED A BRITISH COMMONWEALTH PASSPORT ON APRIL TWENTYFOUR,  
SIXTYEIGHT. IN APPLYING FOR PASSPORT HE FURNISHED THE FOLLOWING  
DESCRIPTION: WM, DOB  TORONTO, WEIGHT ONE  
ONE HUNDRED SIXTYEIGHT, BLACK HAIR, BROWN EYES, RESIDENCE NINE  
SIXTYEIGHT DUNDAS, TORONTO, CANADA, WHICH IS A CHEAP CHINESE ROOMING  
HOUSE WHERE SNEYD HAD RESIDED SINCE APRIL NINETEEN, SIXTYEIGHT, BUT  
PROPRIETOR COULD NOT MAKE A POSITIVE IDENTIFICATION ON SNEYD AS  
RAY FROM PHOTO. FRIEND NAMED IN PASSPORT APPLICATION WAS  
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PAUL BRIDGEMAN, ONE ZERO TWO OR ONE ZERO EIGHT OSSINGTON ST., TORONTO, CANADA. PASSPORT APPLICATION WAS OBTAINED THROUGH TRAVEL AGENCY NEAR SNEYD'S ROOMING HOUSE. TRAVEL AGENCY RECORDS INDICATED SNEYD PLANNED TO TRAVEL TO LONDON VIA BOAC AND WOULD RETURN ON MAY TWENTYONE, SIXTYEIGHT. INVESTIGATION IN CANADA HAS FAILED TO LOCATE BRIDGMAN.

PAUL BRIDGEMAN MAY BE IDENTICAL TO FORMER FELLOW INMATE OF SUBJECT RAY, PAUL OSBORN BRIDGEMAN, AKA PAUL JAMES BRIDGEMAN, MSP NO. ONE ZERO ONE THREE FOUR, BORN  WINCHESTER, INDIANA, WHO WAS RECEIVED AT MSP FROM JACKSON COUNTY, KANSAS CITY, MO., ON APRIL TWENTYTHREE, SIXTYFIVE, AND WAS DISCHARGED JAN. SIXTEEN, SIXTYEIGHT, AND WAS NOT ON PAROLE. BEFORE BEING TRANSFERRED TO PRISON LIMITED SECURITY SECTION AT MOBERLY, MO., ON MARCH SEVEN, SIXTYSIX, BRIDGEMAN WORKED IN THE MSP KITCHEN AND COULD HAVE HAD CONTACT WITH SUBJECT RAY. WARDEN SUSPECTS BRIDGMAN IS HOMOSEXUAL.

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MARSHALL CAWVEY AND HIS WIFE JANET LOU CAWVEY, NEE BRIDGEMAN, WERE CONTACTED NEAR WEST PLAINS, MO. MR. CAWVEY IS A FORMER FIREMAN AND POLICE DISPATCHER FOR THE WEST PLAINS PD, A FORMER HOWELL COUNTY DEPUTY SHERIFF AND IS PRESENTLY EMPLOYED BY PEASE-MOORE MILLING CO., WEST PLAINS. THE CAWVEYS HAVE SEVERAL YOUNG CHILDREN.

JANET CAWVEY IS SISTER OF PAUL BRIDGEMAN SHOM

SHE ADVISED WAS BORN  INSTEAD OF FORTY AT WINCHESTER, IND. LAST CONTACT WHICH SHE HAD WITH HIM WAS WHEN HE CAME TO WEST PLAINS, MO. TO CLAIM AN INHERITANCE FROM THEIR PARENTS' ESTATE DURING SIXTYFOUR.

HER FATHER, JAMES BRIDGEMAN, ALLEGEDLY MURDERED HER MOTHER, IRENE BRIDGEMAN, AND THEN COMMITTED SUICIDE ON AUG. EIGHTEEN, SIXTYTWO, AT DAYTONA BEACH, FLA. PAUL BRIDGEMAN WAS LIVING WITH HIS PARENTS AT THAT TIME AND HAD PREVAILED UPON HIS MOTHER TO SECURE  
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A SAFETY DEPOSIT BOX HELD JOINTLY IN THE NAMES PAUL AND IRENE BRIDGEMAN AND TO MAKE HIM HER SOLE HEIR. AFTER THE PARENTS' DEATH PAUL ALLEGEDLY ENTERED THE SAFETY DEPOSIT BOX AND TOOK THE PROPERTY VALUED AT THIRTEEN THOUSAND DOLLARS AND LEFT HIS SISTER JANET WITHOUT ANY SHARE.

MARSHALL CAWVEY SUSPECTS PAUL BRIDGEMAN OF COMPLICITY IN THE DEATH OF HIS PARENTS.

JANET CAWVEY HAD NO KNOWLEDGE THAT BRIDGEMAN HAD BEEN RELEASED FROM THE MSP PRIOR TO INTERVIEW.

JANET CAWVEY AND PAUL OSBORN BRIDGEMAN ARE THE ONLY CHILDREN OF JAMES AND IRENE BRIDGEMAN. THERE ARE FEW CLOSE RELATIVES. A COUSIN, JIM DAVIS, DESCRIBED AS WM, SIX FEET, THIN BUILD, AGE THIRTYFIVE TO THRITYEIGHT, LONG BLOND HAIR, WAS WITH PAUL BRIDGEMAN AT DAYTONA BEACH, FLA., PRIOR TO THE MURDER-SUICIDE OF PARENTS IN SIXTYTWO. DAVIS IS THE SON OF IRENE BRIDGEMAN'S SISTER, BONNIE DAVIS, ROUTE ONE, MADISONVILLE, KY. DAVIS WAS DESCRIBE AS A "BAD CHARACTERB." BY THE CAWVEYS AND THEY SAID THEY HAD NOT SEEN HIM FOR SEVERAL YEARS.

DAVIS HAS AL SISTER BY THE NAME OF MRS. ROY (EDITH) BABB, DAYTONA BEACH, FLA., WHOSE HUSBAND IS ALLEGEDLY A FLORIDA STATE  
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TROOPER AND WHO MAY BE ABLE TO ASSIST IN LOCATING BRIDGEMAN AND DAVIS.

BONNIE DAVIS' HUSBAND WAS SHOT TO DEATH IN MADISONVILLE, KY., APPROXIMATELY TWO YEARS AGO UNDER SUSPICIOUS CIRCUMSTANCES WHICH WAS ALLEGED THE RESULT OF A MINING LABOR DISPUTE. PAUL BRIDGEMAN WAS MARRIED TO CAROL BRINKER, BLOOMINGTON, ILL. THEY WERE DIVORCED IN SIXTYFOUR AND IT IS BELIEVED THEY HAD TWO CHILDREN, NAMES UNKNOWN WHO ARE STILL RESIDE IN BLOOMINGTON, ILL., AND ARE ON WELFARE WITH THEIR MOTHER.

ANOTHER UNCLE IS WALTER KOGER, NEW CASTLE, IND. BOTH KOGERS ARE BROTHERS OF IRENE BRIDGEMAN.

CAWVEYS WERE SHOWN PHOTOS OF JAMES EARL RAY AND BOTH ADVISED THEY HAD SEEN SIMILAR PHOTOS IN THE NEWSPAPERS BUT HAD NEVER SEEN RAY OR ANYONE IN BRIDGEMAN'S COMPANY WHO RESEMBLED HIM. MRS. CAWVEY ADVISED THAT PAUL BRIDGEMAN HAS NEVER BEEN OUTSIDE THE CONTINENTAL U.S. TO HER KNOWLEDGE. SHE STATED SHE NEVER HEARD HIM EXPRESS ANY ANIMOSITY OR HOSTILITY TOWARD NEGROES OR OTHER MINORITY GROUPS.

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EXTENSIVE INVESTIGATION TO LOCATE BRIDGEMAN IN KANSAS CITY AREA HAS IDENTIFIED HIS GIRLFRIEND DURING APRIL AND POSSIBLY PART OF MAY SIXTYEIGHT IN KANSAS CITY AREA AS JACQUELINE "JACKIE" KLINE, AKA JACQUELINE GOLDSTEIN, KAYE ROSENBERG, WHO IS DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: AGE TWENTYFOUR, DOB  WF, FIVE FOUR, TWO HUNDRED LBS., DYED RED HAIR, EYES BROWN, EMPLOYED AS PRACTICAL NURSE, DRIVING SIXTYEIGHT WHITE TWO DOOR CHEVROLET MALIBU THREE ZERO SEVEN, BEARING SIXTYEIGHT KANSAS YELLOW ON BLACK LILICENSE NO. JO NINE THREE ZERO FOUR THREE.

PAUL OSBORN BRIDGEMAN LEFT KANSAS CITY PROBABLY THE FIRST PART OF MAY AND JACQUELINE KLINE LEFT KANSAS CITY ON SUNDAY, JUNE TWO, SIXTYEIGHT PROBABLY TO MEET BRIDGEMAN, BUT DECLINED TO TELL ASSOCIATES HER DESTINATION. ON MAY TWENTYNINE AND MAY THIRTYONE SHE MADE STATION TO STATION TELEPHONE CALLS FROM NETHERLANDS HOTEL, KANSAS CITY, TO THE MINNEAPOLIS-ST. PAUL AREA WHICH MAY HAVE BEEN TO BRIDGEMAN. DETAILS OF TOLL CALLS BEING OBTAINED WITH PRIOR BUREAU APPROVAL.

RECEIVING OFFICES INTERVIEW RELATIVES OF BRIDGEMAN O REGARDING OTHER RELATIVES AND OBTAIN FULL BACKGROUND INFO, TO LOCATE HIM FOR EXTENSIVE INTERVIEW OF HIS KNOWLEDGE AND ASSOCIATION WITH SUBJECT RAY, PARTICULARLY SINCE KING MURDER.

LOUISVILLE AT MADISONVILLE, KY., INTERVIEW BONNIE DAVIS, ROUTE ONE, FOR ANY INFO SHE CAN FURNISH WHICH WOULD ASSIST IN LOCATING BRIDGEMAN AND JIM DAVIS.

INDIANAPOLIS AT NEW CASTEL, IND., INTERVIEW WALTER KOGER AS REFLECTED IN LOUISVILLE LEAD.

SPRINGFIELD AT BLOOMINGTON, ILL., ATTEMPT TO LOCATE CAROL BRINKER AND INTERVIEW HER AS SET FORTH IN LOUISVILLE LEAD. IF APPROPRIATE, CONTACT WELFARE DEPT. IN EFFORT TO LOCATE CAROL BRINKER. AT LATHAM, ILL., INTERVIEW ROBERT KOGER AS SET FORTH IN LOUISVILLE LEAD.

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JACKSONVILLE AT DAYTONA BEACH, FLA., INTERVIEW MRS.

ROY (EDITH) BABB AS SET FORTH IN LOUISVILLE LEAD.

MINNEAPOLIS CONTACT PRACTICAL NURSING REGISTRY AND

PLACE STOP FOR JACQUELINE KLINE IN EVENT SHE SEEKS EMPLOYMENT

AS PRACTICAL NURSE IN MINNEAPOLIS-ST. PAUL AREA SO THAT BRIDGEMAN

CAN BE LOCATED AND INTERVIEWED. KLINE SHOULD ALSO BE THOROUGHLY

INTERVIEWED FRO ANY INFO SHE MAY HAVE DERIVED THROUGH BRIDGEMAN

CONCERNING SUBJECT RAY.

OTHER OFFICES FURNISHED INFO AS BASIS FOR PROBABLE FUTURE

LEADS. PHOTO OF PAUBL BRIDGEMAN AIRMAILED JUNE FOUR TO

BUREAU AND ABOVE OFFICES.

PASSPORT OFFICE, DEPT. OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS, OTTAWA, HAS

SPECIFICALLY STATED THEY DO NOT WANT ANY MENTION MADE THAT PASS-

PORT OFFICE WAS SOURCE OF INFO CONCERNING RAMON GEORGE

SNEYD. IN INTERVIEWING MEMBERS OF FAMILY AND OTHER INDIVIDUALS

NO STATEMENT WHATSOEVER SHOULD BE MADE INDICATING THAT BUREAU

HAS OBTAINED INFO FROM PASSPORT OFFICE IN CANADA NOR SHOULD IT BE

INDICATED THAT BUREAU BELIEVES SUBJECT IS IDENTICAL WITH SNEYD AND

HAS DEPARTED FROM U.S. INTERVIEWS SHOULD BE DESIGNED TO OBTAIN

FACTUAL INFO FROM PERSONS BEING INTERVIEWED. THERE IS NO

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NECESSITY TO MENTION TO INDIVIDUALS THAT BUREAU HAS OBTAINED ( PHOTO BELIEVED TO BE SUBJECT IN WHICH HE IS NOW EARING GLASSES OR THAT HE HAS NOW BEEN USING ADDITIONAL ALIASES.

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CORR: PAGE THREE LINE SEVEN LAST WD SHLD BE... WHOM

PAGE FOUR LINE SEVENTTEN SHLD BE CHARACTER

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URGENT 6-4-68 LCS  
TO DIRECTOR AND MEMPHIS  
FROM ATLANTA 44-2386

MURKIN

SUMMARY OF INVESTIGATION CONDUCTED JUNE FOUR  
INSTANT.

DRIVER'S LICENSE DIVISION, GEORGIA STATE PATROL,  
ATLANTA, GEORGIA, CHECKED THIS DATE WITH NEGATIVE  
RESULTS FOR LICENSE IN NAMES OF PAUL OSBORN BRIDGEMAN,  
PAUL JAMES BRIDGEMAN, PAUL OSBORN BRIDGMAN, AND PAUL  
JAMES BRIDGMAN.

EFFORTS CONTINUING ATLANTA IN AN EFFORT TO  
CHECK OUT STORY OF BILLY MACK WISDOM, INMATE, U. S.  
PENITENTIARY, ATLANTA, IN THE PEACHTREE - FOURTEENTH  
ST. AREA.

CHECK OF SAFETY DEPOSIT BOXES GREATER ATLANTA  
AREA CONTINUING.

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*RRP/lw*

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255PM URGENT 6-3-68 SMS

TO DIRECTOR, ATLANTA, BIRMINGHAM & MEMPHIS  
FROM LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

MURKIN.

RE LATEL MAY THIRTY-ONE LAST.

RE JAMES PAUL THORNTON.

JOHN HARTLEY ORTMAN, FOUR SIX FOUR TWO BRIARHILL  
DRIVE, YORBA LINDA, CALIFORNIA, ADVISED THIS DATE RECALLS  
THORNTON AS VOLUNTEER WORKER AT ANAHEIM, CALIFORNIA,  
HEADQUARTERS, GEORGE WALLACE CAMPAIGN. ADVISED THORNTON  
A LONER AND DOES NOT KNOW ANY OF HIS ASSOCIATES. ORTMAN  
UNABLE IDENTIFY PHOTOGRAPH OF JAMES EARL RAY.

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TO DIRECTOR, MEMPHIS, AND LOS ANGELES  
FROM ATLANTA 44-2386

MURKIN

RE LOS ANGELES TEL TO DIRECTOR MAY TWENTYEIGHT LAST  
AND LOS ANGELES TEL TO ATLANTA MAY TWENTYNINE LAST.

SUMMARY OF INVESTIGATION CONDUCTED MAY THIRTYONE INSTANT.

JAMES WILLOUGHBY REINTERVIEWED THIS DATE. COULD FURNISH  
NO ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REGARDING THE IDENTITIES OF THE  
INDIVIDUALS SEEN TALKING TOGETHER ON APR. TWO LAST AT ONE ONE  
THREE FOURTEENTH ST., NE, ATLANTA, GA.

ATTEMPTS TO REINTERVIEW JIMMIE GARNER MAY TWENTYNINE AND  
THIRTYONE SIXTYEIGHT REFLECT GARNER APPARENTLY ON ANOTHER  
DRUNK.

FOR INFORMATION LOS ANGELES, INFORMATION CONCERNING  
SWINGER CLUB OBTAINED FROM USPO INSPECTOR ELMER GILLESPIE,  
ATLANTA. GILLESPIE STATES CHIEF POSTAL INSPECTOR, WASHINGTON,

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D.C., HAS A LIST OF ALL OBSCENE PEN-PAL CLUBS IN U.S. WHICH ARE PRESENTLY UNDER INVESTIGATION BY POST OFFICE DEPT. NO SUCH CLUBS OPERATING IN ATLANTA AT PRESENT TIME AND CHIEF POSTAL INSPECTOR CAN FURNISH A CURRENT PRINT-OUT OF THIS LIST WHICH CONTAINS IDENTIFICATION OF APPROXIMATELY SIXTYFIVE SUCH PEN-PAL AND LONELY HEARTS CLUBS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY. LIST PRESENTLY INCLUDES ONE CLUB IN LOS ANGELES KNOWN AS THE LOCAL SWINGER AND NUMEROUS OTHERS OF A SIMILAR NATURE.

ATLANTA INDICES NEGATIVE RE JAMES C. HARDIN OR JAMES C. HARDEN. A J. C. HARDIN MENTIONED IN SEVERAL ATLANTA FILES IDENTICAL WITH SUBJECT OF ATLANTA FILE ONE THREE SEVEN DASH TWO EIGHT FIVE ONE AND PHOTO BEING SENT LOS ANGELES BY AIRTEL.

INVESTIGATION CONTINUING ATLANTA TO VERIFY STORY OF BILLY MACK WISDOM.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

END

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FBI ATLANTA

FBI MIAMI

7:23 PM URGENT 6-4-68 PJL

TO DIRECTOR, ATLANTA, KANSAS CITY, AND

MEMPHIS

FROM MAIMI (44-1854)

MURKIN - CR.

RE ATLANTA TEL TO DIRECTOR SIX FOUR SIXTYEIGHT.

ALL TICKETS MAINTAINED IN EASTERN AIRLINES RECORDS, MIAMI FOR PASSENGERS TRAVELING ON EASTERN FLIGHTS ONE ZERO SIX, THREE TWO ZERO, AND THREE TWO EIGHT FROM APRIL FIVE, NINETEEN SIXTYEIGHT TO APRIL NINETEEN NINETEEN SIXTYEIGHT REVIEWED THIS DATE WITH REFERENCE TO NAMES RAMON GEORGE SNEYD AND PAUL BRIDGEMAN AND ALL CHECKS NEGATIVE.

ONLY TICKETS PURCHASED THROUGH EASTERN AIRLINES ARE MAINTAINED IN EASTERN RECORDS.

RECORDS FOR OFF LINE TICKET PURCHASES BY PASSENGERS WHO ALSO USED ABOVE FLIGHTS MAINTAINED IN COMPUTER RECORDS AND ARRANGEMENTS BEING MADE TO LOCATE AND REVIEW SAME AND SET FORTH LEADS.

A & D.

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553 PM URGENT 6-4-68 NAU

TO MEMPHIS ATLANTA BIRMINGHAM CHICAGO KANSAS CITY SPRINGFIELD ST. LOUIS  
FROM DIRECTOR 44-38861 1P

MURKIN

PASSPORT OFFICE, DEPARTMENT OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS,  
OTTAWA, HAS SPECIFICALLY STATED THEY DO NOT WANT ANY  
MENTION MADE THAT PASSPORT OFFICE WAS SOURCE OF INFORMATION  
CONCERNING RAMON GEORGE SNEYD. IN INTERVIEWING MEMBERS OF  
FAMILY AND OTHER INDIVIDUALS NO STATEMENT WHATSOEVER SHOULD  
BE MADE INDICATING THAT BUREAU HAS OBTAINED INFORMATION  
FROM PASSPORT OFFICE IN CANADA NOR SHOULD IT BE INDICATED THAT  
BUREAU BELIEVES SUBJECT IS IDENTICAL WITH SNEYD AND HAS  
DEPARTED FROM U. S. INTERVIEWS SHOULD BE DESIGNED TO OBTAIN  
FACTUAL INFORMATION FROM PERSONS BEING INTERVIEWED. THERE  
IS NO NECESSITY TO MENTION TO INDIVIDUALS THAT BUREAU HAS  
OBTAINED PHOTOGRAPH BELIEVED TO BE SUBJECT IN WHICH HE IS  
NOW WEARING GLASSES OR THAT HE HAS NOW BEEN USING ADDITIONAL  
ALIASES.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, ATLANTA (44-2386-767)

DATE: 6/4/68

FROM : SA JOSEPH G. SHEA

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re memorandum of Complaint Clerk, JERRY D. ROSEBERRY dated 4/19/68.

On 4/25/68, RICHARD E. CARLISLE, Station Attendant, Super Test Station, Canton, Route 5, Woodstock, Georgia, advised that HENRY PROBUS, Route 2, Canton, Ga., is the night attendant at the service station, working from 10:30 p.m., to 7:30 a.m. CARISLE stated that PROBUS has no home phone and has been travelling each day to Jasper, Ga., after completion of his work in the morning, to see his father-in-law who is dying with cancer.

Attempts were made at the abover service station on 4/30/68 and 5/2/68, to contact PROBUS with negative results. On 5/7/68, it was determined that PROBUS' father-in-law had died and he was expected to be in Jasper, Ga., for a few days.

On 5/15/68, PROBUS was interviewed at Route 2, Canton, Georgia, by SA's HUGH ROBINSON, JR. and JOSEPH G. SHEA at which time he advised that on the morning after the FBI recovered the Mustang of the man who was believed to be the murderer of Reverend KING, and while he was working at the Super Test Oil Company Station, Canton Highway, Woodstock, Ga., a cattle truck pulled into the station to get some gas. There were several cars at the station receiving gas, and PROBUS said he was very busy taking care of the customers. When he got around to filling the truck of the cattle hauler, the man mentioned to him that within the past 10 to 15 minutes, three Negroes had driven into the station and let a white man out of their car. The white man thereafter went to the telephone inside the station and placed a call. The cattle truck driver advised he overheard some of the conversation and the man was calling for a Mrs. TAYLOR, and a trailer court in the Woodstock, Ga., area was mentioned. The cattle truck driver stated that



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

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shortly after the call a white woman in a car not further described picked up the white man. The cattle truck driver stated that the man who was picked up by the white woman bore a resemblance to the picture in the paper of ERIC GALT.

PROBUS advised that he never saw the white man referred to by the cattle truck driver and he does not know the name of the cattle truck driver and did not know whether he would ever visit the station again..

On 5/17/68, C. H. BENNISH, 317 Hillcrest Road, Acworth, Georgia, was recontacted at which time he advised he delivers newspapers in the vicinity of Woodstock, Ga., and noticed at the Woodstock Trailer Court, the name HELEN TAYLOR, Lot #7 at that trailer court and believed she might be identical with the person contacted by the unknown white man believed to be ERIC GALT.

On 5/17/68, Mrs. HELEN TAYLOR, Lot #7, Woodstock Trailer Court, Woodstock, Georgia, advised that she had resided at this address for the past two months and had lost her husband approximately two months ago.

She advised further that she had never been contacted by anyone from the Super Test Station, Woodstock, Georgia, and had never gone to that station to pick up anyone including a white man.

On 5/17/68, Mrs. CHARLES TAYLOR, 47½ Edwards Street, Canton, Georgia, was contacted at which time she advised she had never been contacted by a white man from the Super Test Station, Woodstock, Ga., and had never gone to that station to pick up anyone.

In view of the non-specific details of this complaint received by Complaint Clerk JERRY D. ROSEBERRY and the fact that HENRY PROBUS did not himself witness the individual believed to be ERIC GALT or JAMES EARL RAY and since the likelihood of locating the unknown cattle truck driver is unlikely, no further investigation is being conducted regarding this complaint at this time.



FBI ATLANTA

FBI DALLAS

201PM URGENT 6-4-68 LMB

TO DIRECTOR AND MINNEAPOLIS, ATLANTA, BIRMINGHAM, MEMPHIS, SPRINGFIELD  
AND ST. LOUIS.

FROM DALLAS (44-2649) 5P

MURKIN.

RE KANSAS CITY TEL JUNE THREE LAST WHICH REFERRED TO BUCALL TO  
KANSAS CITY JUNE TWO FURNISHING THE FOLLOWING:

RAMON GEORGE SNEYD WHOSE PASSPORT PHOTOGRAPH MAY BE THAT OF  
SUBJECT RAY, OBTAINED A BRITISH COMMONWEALTH PASSPORT ON APRIL TWENTY-  
FOUR, SIXTYEIGHT. IN APPLYING FOR PASSPORT HE FURNISHED THE FOLLOWING  
DESCRIPTION: W/M, BORN  TORONTO, WEIGHT ONE  
HUNDRED SIXTYEIGHT, BLACK HAIR, BROWN EYES, RESIDENCE NINE SIXTYEIGHT  
DUNDAS, TORONTO, CANADA, WHICH IS A CHEAP CHINESE ROOMING HOUSE  
WHERE SNEYD HAD RESIDED SINCE APRIL NINETEEN, SIXTYEIGHT, BUT  
PROPRIETOR COULD NOT MAKE A POSITIVE IDENTIFICATION ON SNEYD AS RAY  
FROM PHOTO. FRIEND NAMED IN PASSPORT APPLICATION WAS PAUL BRIDGMAN,  
ONE ZERO TWO OR ONE ZERO EIGHT OSSINGTON ST., TORONTO, CANADA. PASSPORT  
APPLICATION WAS OBTAINED THROUGH TRAVEL AGENCY NEAR SNEYD'S ROOMING  
HOUSE. TRAVEL AGENCY RECORDS INDICATED SNEYD PLANNED TO TRAVEL TO  
LONDON VIA BOAC AND WOULD RETURN ON MAY TWENTYONE, SIXTYEIGHT.  
INVESTIGATION IN CANADA HAS FAILED TO LOCATE BRIDGMAN.  
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PAUL BRIDGMAN MAY BE IDENTICAL TO FORMER FELLOW INMATE OF  
SUBJECT RAY, PAUL OSBORN BRIDGEMAN AKA PAUL JAMES BRIDGEMAN, MSP NO.  
ONE ZERO ONE THREE FOUR, BORN [REDACTED] WINCHESTER,  
INDIANA, WHO WAS RECEIVED AT MSP FROM JACKSON COUNTY, KANSAS CITY,  
MO., ON APRIL TWENTYTHREE, SIXTYFIVE, AND WAS DISCHARGED JAN. SIXTEEN,  
SIXTYEIGHT, AND WAS NOT ON PAROLE. BEFORE BEING TRANSFERRED TO  
PRISON LIMITED SECURITY SECTION AT MOBERLY, MO., ON MARCH SEVEN,  
SIXTYSIX, BRIDGEMAN WORKED IN THE MSP KITCHEN AND COULD HAVE HAD CONTACT  
WITH SUBJECT RAY. BRIDGEMAN'S FRIEND OR POSSIBLE GUARDIAN WAS SHOWN  
IN PRISON RECORDS AS WAYNE ROTHBERG, FORMERLY KANSAS CITY, MO., AND IN  
SIXTYSEVEN RESIDING AT EIGHTSIX ZERO THREE BEUREGARD ST., DALLAS, TEXAS,  
WHERE HE WAS EMPLOYED BY ROCO AUTO SUPPLY COMPANY. WARDEN AT MSP  
DETERMINED THAT ROTHBERG WAS SMUGGLING MONEY TO BRIDGEMAN AND  
SUSPECTS THAT BOTH ARE HOMOSEXUALS. BRIDGEMAN IN FIFTYSIX INTERVIEW  
CONFESSED IN SIGNED STATEMENT TO ITSMV VIOLATION. USA, KANSAS CITY  
MO., DECLINED PROSECUTION IN FAVOR OF STATE PROSECUTION. IN  
FIFTYSIX BRIDGEMAN IDENTIFIED PARENTS AS JAMES M. AND IRENE BRIDGEMAN,  
ONE ZERO ONE EAST WALNUT, BLOOMINGTON, ILLINOIS. BRIDGEMAN ARRESTED  
KANSAS CITY, MO., PD FEB. EIGHT, SIXTYEIGHT ON DISTURBING THE PEACE  
CHARGE AND RELEASED ON TWENTYFIVE DOLLAR BOND SAME DAY. CHARGE  
END PAGE TWO

PAGE THREE

DISMISSED FEB. TWELVE, SIXTYEIGHT. GAVE INCORRECT RESIDENCE ADDRESS AND INCORRECT EMPLOYMENT ON THIS ARREST BUT CLAIMED PARENTS DECEASED AND GAVE HIS SISTER AS JANET LOU CAWVEY, LANTON, MO. PHOTOGRAPHS OF BRIDGEMAN WILL BE FORWARDED TO ABOVE OFFICES JUNE FOUR. BRIDGEMAN DESCRIBED W/M, SIX FEET TALL, ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY POUNDS, BLOND HAIR, BLUE EYES.

WAYNE M. ROTHBERG, MANAGER, ROCO AUTO SUPPLY COMPANY, TWENTY SEVEN THIRTY NINE IRVING BLVD., DALLAS, INTERVIEWED AT EMPLOYMENT JUNE FOUR AND FURNISHED THE FOLLOWING: HE HAS KNOWN PAUL BRIDGEMAN FOR MANY YEARS AND BRIDGEMAN'S SON PRESENTLY RESIDING WITH HIM IN DALLAS. ROTHBERG VISITED BRIDGEMAN MANY TIMES WHILE BRIDGEMAN WAS IN MISSOURI STATE PENITENTIARY. BRIDGEMAN RELEASED IN JAN. SIXTYEIGHT, AT WHICH TIME ROTHBERG ACCOMPANIED HIM TO HOME OF BRIDGEMAN'S SISTER, JANET LOU CAWVEY, IN A SMALL UNKNOWN TOWN IN MISSOURI. BRIDGEMAN'S SISTER REFUSED TO ADMIT THEM TO HER HOME, STATING SHE WANTED TO HAVE NOTHING TO DO WITH HIM. IN JAN., BRIDGEMAN RECEIVED ABOUT THREE THOUSAND DOLLARS INHERITANCE FROM ESTATE OF DECEASED PARENTS. PARENT'S DEATH WAS RESULT OF MURDER AND SUICIDE.

SINCE JAN., SIXTYEIGHT, ROTHBERG HAS MET BRIDGEMAN IN TULSA, OKLAHOMA, DATE UNRECALLED; OKLAHOMA CITY ON FEB. SIXTEEN, SIXTY-EIGHT; NEW YORK CITY THE FIRST WEEK IN APRIL LAST.

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BRIDGEMAN CAME TO DALLAS FROM KANSAS CITY THE DAY OF MARTIN LUTHER KING'S FUNERAL AND THEY WATCHED IT ON TELEVISION. BRIDGEMAN LEFT DALLAS SOON THEREAFTER AND HIS WHEREABOUTS UNKNOWN TO ROTHBERG UNTIL MAY SEVEN LAST WHEN BRIDGEMAN RETURNED TO DALLAS AND STAYED OVERNIGHT AT THE HOLIDAY INN, CENTRAL EXPRESSWAY, DALLAS. THE FOLLOWING MORNING BRIDGEMAN FLEW TO MINNEAPOLIS WITH ONE-WAY PLANE TICKET PURCHASED FOR HIM BY ROTHBERG.

ROTHBERG HAS BEEN PAYING BILLS FOR BRIDGEMAN AND WIRING HIM MONEY SINCE HIS RELEASE FROM PRISON IN JAN. HIS LAST CONTACT WITH BRIDGEMAN WAS MAY TWENTYNINE LAST WHEN HE WIRED THIRTY DOLLARS TO HIM VIA WESTERN UNION TO PAY HIS RENT AT THE HOTEL HARMON (PHONETIC), MINNEAPOLIS. ROTHBERG ATTEMPTED TO CALL BRIDGEMAN THE EVENING OF JUNE THREE LAST, AT THE HOTEL HARMON, BUT WAS TOLD BRIDGEMAN WAS OUT. WAS TOLD BY HOTEL CLERK BRIDGEMAN WAS STILL REGISTERED THAT HOTEL AND MESSAGE WAS LEFT FOR HIM TO CALL ROTHBERG.

ROTHBERT AND BRIDGEMAN DISCUSSED JAMES EARL RAY AFTER HIS NAME CAME OUT IN NEWSPAPER IN CONNECTION WITH KING MURDER. BRIDGEMAN SAID HE KNEW RAY IN MISSOURI STATE PEN BUT DID NOT KNOW HIM ANY BETTER THAN ANY OF THE OTHER INMATES. ROTHBERT STATED  
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HE HAS NO KNOWLEDGE OF BRIDGEMAN EVER BEING IN CANADA, DOES NOT  
KNOWN A RAMON GEORGE SNEYD, AND DOES NOT KNOWN IF BRIDGEMAN HAS BEEN  
IN CONTACT WITH JAMES EARL RAY SINCE HIS RELEASE FROM PRISON.  
BRIDGEMAN'S OCCUPATION IS CEMENT FINISHER AND HE IS BELIEVED  
TO BE EMPLOYED AS SUCH INT THE MINNEAPOLIS AREA.

MINNEAPOLIS INTERVIEW BRIDGEMAN. P

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, ATLANTA (44-2386-573)      DATE: 6/4/68

FROM : SA JOSEPH G. SHEA

SUBJECT: MURKIN  
CR  
(OO: MEMPHIS)

Re memo of SA JAMES J. ROSE, dated 4/17/68.

On 4/22/68, Mrs. MIRIAM HARKINS, Mableton Mail newspaper, Mableton, Georgia, was contacted regarding an anonymous telephone call received by her regarding the captioned matter. Mrs. HARKINS stated that it was her first day of work, 4/17/68, at the Mableton Mail newspaper and she was not familiar with the voices of anyone calling the newspaper. She stated that a woman telephoned and began talking about a white Mustang. Mrs. HARKINS believes that the woman was talking about a car that was to be sold and would be contained in the advertising section of the paper. The woman kept talking, and Mrs. HARKINS then realized that the woman was talking about the white Mustang that had been recovered in Atlanta, Georgia, and was alleged at that time to have been driven by the murderer of Reverend KING. The woman only stated that she knew the identity of the person who was wanted for the murder, and indicated that he resided in Mableton, Georgia, and drove a white Mustang. The woman hung up without identifying herself. Mrs. HARKINS advised that from the voice of the woman, it would appear she was in her 50's and was a white woman.

Mrs. HARKINS has been recontacted on 4/30/68; 5/6, 10, 16, and 22/68, and stated that she has never been recontacted by the anonymous woman caller regarding the white mustang.

In view of the above, no further investigation is going to be conducted in this matter, and Mrs. HARKINS has stated that should she be recontacted by the anonymous caller she would immediately contact the FBI.

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URGENT 6/4/68 PML/VSC

TO DIRECTOR, KANSAS CITY, MEMPHIS AND MIAMI  
FROM ATLANTA 44-2386 2P

MURKIN

RE KANSAS CITY TELETYPE TO DIRECTOR, JUNE THIRD, LAST.

FOR INFO MIAMI, RETEL REFLECTS ONE RAMON GEORGE SNEYD, WHOSE PASSPORT PHOTO MAY BE THAT OF SUBJECT RAY, OBTAINED A BRITISH COMMONWEALTH PASSPORT ON APR. TWENTYFOUR, LAST. IN APPLYING FOR PASSPORT, HE FURNISHED THE FOLLOWING DESCRIPTION: W/M, BORN [REDACTED] TORONTO, ONE SIX EIGHT LBS., BLACK HAIR, BROWN EYES, RESIDES NINE SIX EIGHT DUNDAS, TORONTO, CAN., WHICH IS CHEAP ROOMING HOUSE WHERE SNEYD RESIDED SINCE APR., 'SIXTYEIGHT. PROPRIETOR COULD NOT MAKE POSITIVE IDENTIFICATION OF SNEYD AS RAY FROM PHOTO. PASSPORT APPLICATION OBTAINED THRU TRAVEL AGENCY NEAR ROOMING HOUSE AND TRAVEL AGENCY RECORDS INDICATE SNEYD HAD PLANNED TO TRAVEL TO LONDON VIA BOAC AND WOULD RETURN MAY TWENTYONE, LAST.

PREVIOUS INVESTIGATION INDICATES EASTERN AIRLINES FLIGHTS THREE TWO ZERO AND THREE TWO EIGHT ARE DAILY FLIGHTS FROM ATLANTA TO TORONTO AND EASTERN AIRLINES FLIGHT ONE ZERO SIX IS DAILY FLIGHT FROM ATLANTA TO MONTREAL.

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Approved: *[Signature]*  
Special Agent in Charge

Sent 10:10:43 AM

Per: *[Signature]*

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UACB, MIAMI REQUESTED TO CHECK ABOVE FLIGHTS FOR DATES  
APR. FIFTH THRU APR. NINETEEN, 'SIXTYEIGHT, FOR NAME AND  
VARIATIONS OF RAMON GEORGE SNEYD.

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F B I

Date: 6/3/68

Transmit the following in \_\_\_\_\_

(Type in plaintext or code)

Via Airtel \_\_\_\_\_

(Priority)

To: SAC's Atlanta (44-2386) - Enclosure  
 Memphis (44-1987)

✓ From: Director, FBI (44-36861)

**MURKIN**

Re Atlanta airtel 5/23/68, submitting rental agreement signed "S. M. Schneiderman," Q357.

Four latent fingerprints of value developed on the rental agreement. These latent fingerprints are not identical with the fingerprints of James Earl Ray, FBI #405942G.

Rental agreement enclosed to Atlanta.

Laboratory reporting separate.

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*Ray*

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Date: 6/3/68

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Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL - REGISTERED  
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)  
FROM: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (173-65)  
SUBJECT: MURKIN  
OO: MEMPHIS

RE: BRUCE IRWIN GOVERN, AKA  
BRUCE ERWIN GOVERN,  
LAWRENCE MATTHEW TIMMONS

Sergeant ANDREW GRIMES, Fairfax, California Police Department, advised that BRUCE IRWIN GOVERN, age 23, and THOMAS RAYMOND ELLIS, age 18, were arrested on May 19, 1968, in a stolen Volkswagen. Sergeant GRIMES advised after the arrest, GOVERN was searched. GRIMES stated a hand-printed document consisting of four pages was found among GOVERN's personal effects and when it was read, noted it referred to Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING. GRIMES said the letter was rambling and did not make much sense but did contain telephone numbers which might possibly relate to this case.

Sergeant GRIMES furnished this four-page document which actually consists of two sheets of paper with hand-printing on both sides. This letter will comprise the next four pages of this airtel.

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Special Agent in Charge

BRUCE!

(BRING PEN & PAPER)

(1)

VISIT ME SAT- 10 O'CLOCK BE HERE - BRING THE TWO  
GIRLS - THAT WILL BE WITH US - BE SURE THEY CAN PROVE  
THEY ARE 21. BE SURE TO BE HERE BY 10 O'CLOCK!  
COME, MON - TUE - ECT UNTILL I AM OUT.

ASK TO SEE - ROBERT LAWRENCE - CITY PRISON!

(BRING - TELL GIRLS NAKED - UNDER COAT - ~~COAT~~  
WITH OLIVE OIL - SMILE - L.S.D)

BRUCE - CALL TODAY - KEEP CALLING TO REACH - ALL  
NUMBERS - THE ONES YOU DONT REACH TO DAY - BE  
SURE YOU CALL IN THE MORNING BEFORE YOU  
VISIT ME !! - BUT TRY ALL TODAY! - CALL THE BELOW

1. 221-6201 = HELLO! My bro ask ME To CALL  
HE WOULD LIKE To KNOW DO YOU HAVE A RIFLE 30.06  
FOR SALE? (YES) IS IT IN GOOD CONDITION? How MUCH  
ARE YOU ASKING, (105-150) THANK YOU - MY BRO  
WILL CALL YOU TOMORROW - ~~PLEASE REPLY TO ME~~  
THANK YOU !!

CALL INFORMATION - ATLANTA GA.

I WOULD LIKE THE NUMBER OF THE EDENEZER  
BAPTIST Church - ON AUBURN AVE. <sup>404</sup> 6887263  
ALSO - THE No. OF - REV. MARTIN L. KING SR. <sup>unpublished</sup>

THAN CALL KING AT HOME! = HELLO MAY I SPEAK To THE  
REV. KING SR. HELLO REV. I AM CALLING FOR A FRIEND,  
HE WOULD LIKE to KNOW IF YOU RECEIVE HIS LETTER?  
(IF HE SAYS NO - TELL HIM IT WAS SENT To THE Church - HIS  
Church - & TELL HIM IT IS OF GREAT IMPORTANCE HE READS

THE LETTER, IT CONCERNS YOUR SON'S MURDER - MAY HE <sup>1 CHURCH</sup> REST IN PEACE! I WILL CALL YOU BACK IN A HOUR - MY

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FRIEND ~~KAS~~ CAN GET THE GUN - THE OTHER ONE, THAT WAS  
USE AS A LETTER THAT WAS SENT TO GALT, CONCERNING  
THE CONSPIRACY - THE DETAILS. ALSO WHERE HE CAN  
BE LOCATED - OTHER PERSONS -

YES - YOU DID GET THE LETTER, (Bruce read thru to him)  
DID YOU UNDERSTAND HIS LETTER - PLAN. DID YOU READ  
HIS WIFE'S LETTER.

HE SAID FLY OUT TO HERE - ~~GO~~ WITH TWO OF YOUR  
CLOSEST-TRUSTED AIDS - CHECK IN TO THE HILTON  
HOTEL - OR FAIRMONT HOTEL - OR HOLIDAY INN MOTEL.  
TAKE A CAB TO THE FOUR-SEAS-RESTURANTS -  
OR GRANT AVE - CHINA TOWN! BE THERE, AT  
6:30 - GO TO THE BAR - ILL MEET YOU THERE,  
OR IF IT IS CLOSE - GO TO IMPERIAL PALACE  
ON GRANT AVE! (BUT FOUR-SEAS - SHOULD BE  
OPEN - SO GO THERE FIRST. JUST SIT & TILL  
I COME THERE - BETWEEN 6:30 - 7:30 QU BE  
there. REV. KING - WHO WILL BE WITH YOU?

1. \_ \_ \_ \_ \_
2. \_ \_ \_ \_ \_
3. \_ \_ \_ \_ \_

PLEASE KEEP CONFIDENTIAL - NO - F.B.I. - AGENTS  
OR ANY LAW OFFICIALS - BUT US. MR LAWRENCE  
SAID PLEASE - WILL EXPLANE WHEN HE SEES -  
YOU -

PLEASE bring - with you - \$10,000 cash -  
FOR HIS bail - ALSO FOR THE GUN - AND  
EXPENSED MONEY - PLANE FARE - FOR US - TO NEW  
ORLEANS - WE WILL DISCUSS THE WHOLE MATTER  
AND PLAN ~~AND~~ WE MEET. I WILL ILL SEE YOU TOMORROW

NIGHT - SAT - OR SUN NIGHT. ??

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WE CAN GET THE GUN RIGHT AWAY - AND  
LETTER - BOB AND ONE OF YOUR AID WILL  
PICK IT UP - I WILL STAY WITH YOU - ~~RECORD~~ - AND  
YOUR OTHER AID - AS A GIRL - UNTILL BOB & YOUR AID  
COME BACK. THAN ALL OF US WILL GO TO N.O.  
AND GET MR. GALT - AND FRIENDS! ~~WELL~~ WE WILL  
DISCUSS THE WHOLE PLAN - AT RESTURANT.

WILL I SEE YOU - TOMORROW NIGHT - OR SUN

THAN BRUCE

CALL - MEMPHIS TENN. INFORMATION - GET THE  
NUMBERS - OF

MEMPHIS CITY CONCILE <sup>901</sup> 527 6611  
526 8811  
NEWS PAPER 526 2141

CALL CITY CONCILE - HELLO I LIKE TO SPEAK TO  
SOMEONE CONCERNING DR. KING MURDER -  
HELLO IS THE REWARD STILL OPEN - HOW  
MUCH IS THE COMPLETE REWARD - FROM YOU,  
PAPER - ECT #

YES I HAVE THE OTHER GUN - LETTER TO  
SO CALL MR GALT - ~~giving him the details~~  
AS WHERE HE IS - THANK YOU - WILL CALL BACK

THAN CALL THE NEWS PAPER - HELLO I LIKE TO  
SPEAK TO EDITOR - CONCERNING DR. KING -

HOW MUCH IS A STORY WORTH - WITH THE OTHER  
GUN - THAT KILL KING - A LETTER TO SO CALLED  
MR GALT - <sup>GIVING HIM DETAILS</sup> AS WHERE HE IS - AND OTHERS, HOW  
MUCH \_\_\_\_\_ WILL YOU KEEP IT

CONFIDENTIAL - WHAT IS YOUR NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ILL CALL YOU TOMORROW, THANK YOU!

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415- PABCO-

324- 11 30 - Larry Young

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Hello Larry - Re Robert Lawrence - serial 10-13 min  
did you mail his letter when?? 3-4

VISIT ME TOMORROW

BRUCE - AT 10 O'clock

BE HERE - WITH THE TWO  
GIRLS THAT WILL BE WITH US

BE SURE YOU ARE HERE,  
I WILL HAVE OTHER NOS. IF  
WE NEED THEM - MORE  
DETAILS - INSTRUCTIONS

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BRUCE IRWIN GOVERN was interviewed at the Marin County Jail on May 20, 1968. GOVERN stated that the letter set out above was given to him by an inmate while he was confined either at the San Francisco County Jail or the San Francisco City Jail. He stated the letter was given to him about three weeks ago by a young inmate known to him only as TOM. He said he had not known TOM before, did not know why he was then in jail, and knew nothing about his background. GOVERN stated he was still in the San Francisco Jail when TOM was released on bail and that he has not seen or heard from TOM since. GOVERN stated following his release from jail he obtained certain telephone numbers listed in the letter by calling the Information Operator.

The files of the San Francisco Office indicate that GOVERN is the subject of San Francisco file 25-67044. This file indicates that GOVERN's Selective Service Number is 33-46-45-23 and that he was declared delinquent by his draft board for failure to report for induction on September 8, 1965. GOVERN was arrested by Agents of the San Francisco Office on February 23, 1968, was given a physical examination on February 28, 1968, and on that date was disqualified at the Induction Center for medical reasons, one of these reasons being that he was a user of heroin.

On May 29, 1968, GOVERN was reinterviewed at the Marin County Jail. GOVERN advised he was in the San Francisco Jail from about April 15, 1968, to April 24, 1968. He insisted that the letter referred to was given to him by a person who he knew as TOM. GOVERN stated he was confined to a cell with TOM for about seven days but did not speak to him until his last two days in jail. He advised that both he and TOM were released from City Jail on the same day. GOVERN stated he did not know JAMES EARL RAY and had never seen him. He stated he had seen pictures of RAY in the newspapers.

He advised that on the letter his hand-printing appeared on Page 1 when he wrote the telephone number 404-688-7263 regarding the Ebenezer Baptist Church and on Page 3 when he wrote the telephone numbers 527-6611, 526-8811, and 516-2141. He advised that the telephone number 404-688-7263 was the telephone number of the Ebenezer Baptist Church in Atlanta, Georgia, and he obtained this number by calling Atlanta Information.

He advised he has no knowledge as to the identity of the subscriber to telephone number 221-6201 which appears on the first page of the letter. He advised that the name ROBERT LAWRENCE appearing on Page 1 is unknown to him. GOVERN stated that the rifle used to kill MARTIN LUTHER KING was the same rifle that killed President JOHN F. KENNEDY. When asked to elaborate on this

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remark he stated, "You guys know that and there is no sense in me telling you anything about that."

The telephone number 415-324-1130 is a San Francisco telephone number. Inquiry at this number reflects that LARRY YOUNG resides there. YOUNG advised that he would contact the San Francisco Office this date.

ROBERT MOORE, San Francisco Police Department, Star 1648, San Francisco City Jail, on May 31, 1968, advised that BRUCE IRWIN GOVERN was arrested and confined to the San Francisco City Jail on April 16, 1968, and was bailed out on April 19, 1968. MOORE stated that a review of the records reflected that the only "TOM" that was discharged on April 19, 1968, from the City Jail was THOMAS LYNCH who was confined on April 17, 1968, and was released on April 19, 1968. He advised LYNCH was confined to cell block "L" whereas GOVERN was in Dormitory 3.

THOMAS PATRICK LYNCH, 116 Frederick Street, Apartment 29, San Francisco, California, on May 31, 1968, stated he does not know anyone by the name of BRUCE IRWIN GOVERN. He observed photographs of GOVERN and stated that he did not recognize this individual as being identical with anyone that he knows. He stated he was arrested on a narcotics charge and that he was kept separate from the rest of the prisoners in the jail. LYNCH observed photographs of JAMES EARL RAY and stated he did not know RAY and that he had never seen him. LYNCH advised that he had not given GOVERN the four-page letter which GOVERN said he had obtained from "TOM."

LYNCH stated he had been shocked at the death and the manner of the death of Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING and that he had not written this note and that he would not have anything to do with any such scheme as this seems to be.

LARRY YOUNG, 974 Weeks, Palo Alto, California, on June 3, 1968, advised he was confined at the San Francisco City Jail from about April 6, 1968, to April 13, 1968. He advised that a white man by the name of LAWRENCE who was in the "tank" with him gave him a letter which was already sealed and asked him to mail it when he got out. YOUNG stated this letter was addressed to MARTIN LUTHER KING, SR. YOUNG stated he does not know the contents of the letter. YOUNG stated he did not know GOVERN.

#### LEADS

#### THE ATLANTA OFFICE

AT ATLANTA, GEORGIA: Will determine if telephone number 404-688-7263 is listed to the Ebenezer Baptist Church.



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THE BIRMINGHAM OFFICE

AT BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA: Will determine if telephone number 221-6201 is a Birmingham number and will particularly determine if this number has any connection with a gun shop.

THE MEMPHIS OFFICE

AT MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE: Will determine if telephone number 527-6611 is a listing for the Memphis City Council and will determine if telephone numbers 526-8811 and 516-2141 are numbers of Memphis newspapers.

THE SAN FRANCISCO OFFICE

AT SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA: (1) Will continue investigation to identify "TOM" who allegedly furnished GOVERN with the letter.

2. Will seek to identify ROBERT LAWRENCE at City Prison.

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645PM IMMEDIATE 6-3-68 DJB

TO DIRECTOR, ATLANTA, BIRMINGHAM, DALLAS, MEMPHIS,  
SPRINGFIELD & ST. LOUIS  
FROM KANSAS CITY (44-760) 3P

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DAILY SUMMARY

RE BUCALL TO SAC, KANSAS CITY, JUNE TWO, SIXTYEIGHT FURNISHING  
THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION: RAMON GEORGE SNEYD WHOSE PASSPORT  
PHOTOGRAPH MAY BE THAT OF SUBJECT RAY, OBTAINED A BRITISH  
COMMONWEALTH PASSPORT ON APR. TWENTYFOUR, SIXTYEIGHT. IN APPLYING  
FOR PASSPORT HE FURNISHED THE FOLLOWING DESCRIPTION: WM, BORN   
 TORONTO, WEIGHT ONE HUNDRED SIXTYEIGHT, BLACK  
HAIR, BROWN EYES, RESIDENCE NINE SIXTYEIGHT DUNDAS, TORONTO, CANADA,  
WHICH IS A CHEAP CHINESE ROOMING HOUSE WHERE SNEYD HAD RESIDED SINCE  
APR. NINETEEN, SIXTYEIGHT, BUT PROPRIETOR COULD NOT MAKE A POSITIVE  
IDENTIFICATION ON SNEYD AS RAY FROM PHOTO. FRIEND NAMED IN PASSPORT  
APPLICATION WAS PAUL BRIDGMAN, ONE ZERO TWO OR ONE ZERO EIGHT OSSING-  
TON ST., TORONTO, CANADA. PASSPORT APPLICATION WAS OBTAINED THROUGH  
TRAVEL AGENCY NEAR SNEYD'S ROOMING HOUSE. TRAVEL AGENCY RECORDS  
INDICATED SNEYD PLANNED TO TRAVEL TO LONDON VIA BOAC AND WOULD RETURN  
ON MAY TWENTYONE, SIXTYEIGHT. INVESTIGATION IN CANADA HAS FAILED  
TO LOCATE BRIDGMAN.

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