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OPTIONAL FORM NO. 10

MAY 1942 EDITION

GSA GEN. REG. NO. 27

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

то : sac (170-160)(P)	DATE: 5/16/68
FROM: SA ROBERT W. BUCHER	CISIR (Prob) PCIPSIR
SUBJECT: GEORGE AARON	[X] PRI (Ghetto)
Dates of Contact 4/24/68, 5/16/68	
Titles and File #s on which contacted	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
RACIAL MATTERS - Elmira, N.Y.	
MURKIN	BU 44-373 (Negative)
POC AM 2	<u>BŪ 157-623 (Positive)</u>
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Purpose and results of contact	
negative positive (see above) statistic	
community reacted wing assassination of the the absence of any violence or of the responsible Negro leader clergy, to control the younger Elmira Negroes were impressed we persons who participated in the services held for Dr. KING, and rapport which was established of death might continue through the PRI stated economic carea, and anyone who really wanted	with the large percentage of white memorial marches and church he expressed the hope that this during the days following KING's
will do able to do so.	
TX (Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Coverage - same -
D- BU 170-160 P-3" RWB:rwb	SEARCHED NOSXED SERIALIZED MAY 201968 FBI — BUFFALO
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PRI stated that he does not believe that there are a sufficient number of Negro malcontents residing in Elmira to cause any threat to peaceful conditions this summer, but that there is always the possibility that Negroes coming to this area from other cities, notably Rochester, could arouse local youths enough to cause some troubles.

PRI advised that although the Negro community as a whole are in favor of the school bussing plan recently approved to improve the racial imbalance situation at two of Elmira's Eastside schools, a large number of Eastside families affected believe that it is going to a lot of trouble for nothing. He stated that these families feel that the ratio of imbalance wasn't great enough to warrant their children having to start making friends again at a new school, and also didn't like the idea of having to get their children up earlier to catch busses. PRI pointed out that Elmira never has had a completely Negro ghetto area, and all the Negro children live among whites and already have white children that they play with and go to school with now.

PRI stated that he does not anticipate any problems over the coming Memorial Day weekend when the Negro state Elks will be holding their convention in Elmira, as the type of Negro who belongs to this organization is not the type to lean toward hooliganism.

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PRI stated that the local NAACP chapter is sponsoring a trip to Washington, D.C. over Memorial Day, and is now recruiting persons to go on this trip to the "shantytown" being built in D.C. He stated WAYNE DUNHAM, a local Negro school teacher who is active in the NAACP, has been actively recruiting people for this one-day trip.

PRI advised he understands that an area group will leave Elmira on the evening of 5/29/68, via one or more busses, travel to Washington, D.C., and will be returning to Elmira the following evening. He stated he believes that enough people have already signed up to fill up one bus, but the NAACP is trying to get as many people as possible to go. In addition to WAYNE DUNHAM, the Rev. WILLIE J. WRIGHT, Negro Pastor of the Monumental Baptist Church in Elmira, is known to be actively recruiting for this Washington trip over Memorial Day.

PRI was instructed to attempt to obtain further information concerning this proposed trip.

PRI was exhibited photographs of JAMES EARL RAY and the MURKIN case was discussed with im on the occasion of both of these contacts, but he was whable to furnish any positive information. Notation of these negative contacts has been furnished the MURKIN file by separate communication.

Information received from this PRI re POCAM has been furnished SA SZYMANSKI telephonically.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC (44-374)(P)

DATE: 5/21/68

ATTN: SA R. GORDON EDDY

FROM :

SA ROBERT W. BUCHER

SUBJECT:

MURKIN

Rememo of SAR. GORDON EDDY, dated 5/16/68.

Facts concerning this matter, and exhibition and furnishing of available photographs of subject JAMES EARL RAY, were handled by the writer on the dates listed at the following police schools:

5/10/68 Recruit School

Finger Lakes Law Enforcement

Canandaigua, N.Y.

5/12/68 Recruit School

5/13/68 Southern Tier Law Enforcement

5/14/68 Corning Community College

Corning, N.Y.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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SAO (44-374)

DATE: 5/21/68

FROM

SA RAYMOND D. ANGLE, JR.

SUBJECT:

MURKIN

Rememo SA R. GORDON EDDY, dated 4/30/68.

This matter was discussed with the following individuals on the dates indicated at which time copies of TO 4182 were distributed:

Basic MPTC School, Corning New York (5/13/68)

Speech-Sherman Lions Club, Sherman, New York (5/14/68)

Speech-Lady Kiwanas Organization, Jamestown, New York (5/16/68)

Van Dyke Underwood - owner, North Shore Inn, Chautauqua, New York (5/17/68)

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SAC (137-1314) (P)

5/20/68

SA ELMER F. MOULIN, JR.

MARY OLEANDI PCI

Captioned informant was contacted on 4/30/68 at which time she was shown photographs of JAMES EARL RAY, aka Top Ten Fugitive and FRANKLIN ALLEN PARIS, aka, Top Ten Fugitive, at which time she advised neither one was known to her however she would be alert for any information she might develop concerning them.

Informant telephonically contacted the Office on 5/17/68 at which time she advised that her relative PHILIP FRUSTINO, who had been picked up by the FBI on two previous occasions, was again back in Buffalo and she believes that he is again AWOL from the Service.

1 44-374 1 - 88-3958 EFM:rlk SAC (137-1510)

5/20/68

SA ELMER F. MOULIN, JR.

BU 347-C

Captioned informant was contacted on 5/6/68 and was shown photographs of JAMES EARL RAY, aka, Top Ten, and FRANKLIN ALLEN PARIS, aka, Top Ten, and after viewing same she advised that neither is known to her but she would be alert and if they ever make an appearance at her book store, she will immediately notify the Buffalo Office.

1 - 88-3958 1 - 44-374 EFM:rlk (3) SAC (137-42) (P)

5/20/68

SA ELMER'F. MOULIN, JR.

NICHOLAS F. BONGIOVANNI PCI

Captioned informant was contacted on 5/6/68 at which time he was shown a photograph of JAMES EARL RAY, aka and descriptive data and background was discussed with informant. Informant advised that he would be alert for RAY and if he develops any information he will immediately notify the Buffalo Office.

Informant was also shown a photograph of FRANKLIN ALLEN PARIS, Buffalo file 88-3958, Top Ten Fugitive and after viewing same he stated PARIS is unknown to him but he will be alert for him.

1 - 88-3958 P - 44-374 EFM:rlk (3) SAC (137-1507) (P)

5/20/68

SA ELMER F. MOULIN, JR.

WILLIE BOHLES PCI - RI

Captioned informant was contacted on 5/6/68 at which time he was shown photographs of FRANKLIN ALLEN PARIS, aka and after viewing same advised that PARIS was unknown to him and never frequents his place of business.

On 5/16/68, captioned informant was again contacted and he advised after viewing photograph of JAMES EARL RAY, aka, that RAY was unknown to him and that to his knowledge he was never in his place of business. He further advised that since the last racial disturbance he feels that things have quieted down to the point where he does not think trouble or any disturbances will occur in the immediate future. He stated he will be alert and the first word or indication he hears about concerning any racial disturbances, he will immediately ntify the Buffalo Office.

1 - 88-3958 1 - 44-374 EFM:rlk (3)

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SAC (137-1487) (P)

5/20/68

SA ELMER F. MOULIN, JR.

JACK KELLEY PCI

Captioned informant was contacted on 5/16/68 at which time he was shown photographs of JAMES EARL RAY, aka Top Ten Fugitive and FRANKLIN ALLEN PARIS, aka Top Ten Fugitive, and their backgrounds were discussed with informant.

Informant advised he will be alert for both of them and if he gets any information concerning either individual, he will immediately notify the Buffalo Office.

1 - 44-374 1 - 88-3958 EFM:rlk (3) SAC (137-820) (P)

5/20/68

SA ELMER F. MOULIN, JR.

LARRY LITTLE PCI

On 5/6/68, captioned informant was contacted at his place of business at William and Pine Streets, Buffalo, at which time he advised that he is remodeling a car wash rack and it is costing him \$28,000.00 for new automatic equipment. Informant was shown photographs of JAMES EARL RAY, aka Top Ten Fugitive; and FRANKLIN ALLEN PARIS, aka, Top Ten Fugitive, and after viewing same advised that they have never been to his place of business, that he would be alert for them and if he develops any information concerning either, he will immediately notify the Buffalo Office.

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SAC (137-1145) (P)

5/20/68

SA ELMER F. MOULIN, JR.

BU 344-C

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1 - 44-374 2 - 88-3958 EFM:rlk (3) SAC (137-359) (P)

5/20/68

SA ELMER F. MOULIN, JR.

MAX BELL PCI

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1 - 44-374 1 - 88-3958 EFM:rlk (3)

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5/20/68

SAC (137-1385) (P)

SA DONALD CHESWORTH, JR.

DOMINICK JOHN FAIELLO, aka

On 5/6/68, PCI observed IO 4182 concerning JAMES EARL RAY, and advised that he had seen an individual somewhat similar to RAY in his bar approximately one month ago. He described this individual as being approximately 35 years old, 6' 1" tall, 175 lbs., medium build, brown hair, possibly black, occupation - car salesman, no scars or marks, eyes - unknown, complexion - light, race - white. He advised that this individual had been in his bar on one occasion with a woman whom he described as a white female, approximately 180 lbs., 5' 6", blonde hair. This individual indicated that he was residing at the Eastman Hotel. He stated that there was a slight similarity between the unknown male and JAMES EARL RAY.

On 5/6/68, the following individuals were contacted by SAs DONAID CHESWORTH JR., and THOMAS J. MOORE, JR., concerning JAMES EARL RAY. The following individuals advised that they had no information concerning RAY, were positive that he had never been a resident of their hotel and verified this information by check of records. They were all furnished copies of JO 4182 for their assistance in this investigation. The individuals contacted were:

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MARY SNYDER, Desk Clerk, Edison Hotel, 93 Elm St.;

MARIIYN CHRISTANSON, Cadillac Hotel, 45 Chestnut St.

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BU 137-1385

On 5/7/68, GLADYS CONNELLY, Desk Clerk, during the day, Hotel Eastman, 215 Chestnut Street, observed photograph of JAMES EARL RAY on IO 4182, and advised that this individual had never been a resident of the Eastman Hotel to her knowledge. She advised that either she or I. MC GINNIS would have probably seen any resident at the hotel. She could furnish no further information.

On 5/7/68, PATRICIA THOMPSON, Personnel Manager, Sheraton Hotel, 111 East Avenue and EMMA RONCONE, Cashier, Sheraton Hotel, observed photographs of JAMES EARL RAY on IO 4182. They advised that they have never seen this individual and that to their knowledge, he has never stayed at the hotel. They were both furnished copies of IO 4182 and advised that if any information concerning RAY should come to their attention, they would immediately notify the FBI.

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Memorandum

TO

SAC, Albany

DATE: May 20, 1968

FROM

Director, FBI

SUBJECT:

MURKIN

PUBLICITY ON REWARDS OFFERED

Each Special Agent in Charge and Legal Attache is instructed to promptly remind their established cooperative news sources, in a discreet and tactful manner, of the existence of substantial reward money for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the killer of Dr. Martin Luther King. This money now totals at least \$100,000. The FBI should not, however, be publicized as the source of this reminder.

While the Bureau's continuing policy is to encourage the public to furnish information to law enforcement authorities as a matter of good citizenship, without expectation of financial reward, it is fully recognized that monetary rewards are often necessary to motivate some individuals. The knowledge of the existence of the substantial rewards available in the Murkin case could possibly prove of value in the solution of this major investigation.

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□ Teletype

5/22/68

TO:

ALL SACS

FROM:

DIRECTOR, FBI

MURKIN

INASMUCH AS RAY IS KNOWN TO STAY AT "FLOPHOUSES" AND LOWER CLASS ROOMING HOUSES, ALL OFFICE WILL FURNISH COPY OF 1.0.
REGARDING RAY TO SALVATION ARMY AND OTHER CHARITABLE TYPE MISSIONS.

ALL OFFICES COVERING STATE CAPITALS, IF NOT ALREADY DONE, WILL AT DRIVERS LICENSE BUREAUS CHECK ALL DRIVERS LICENSE APPLICATIONS FOR MONTHS OF APRIL AND MAY, '68, CONCERNING ALL MALE CAUCASIANS OVER 30 YEARS OF AGE AND UNDER 55 YEARS, INI VIEW OF FACT IT IS POSSIBLE SUBJECT SECURED DRIVERS LICENSE USING ANOTHER NAME OTHER THAN ALIASES KNOWN. AS RESULT OF REVIEWING THESE APPLICATIONS, YOU SHOULD CONDUCT APPROPRIATE INVESTIGATION TO DETERMINE IF ANY SUCH INDIVIDUAL IDENTICAL

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If the intelligence contained in the above message is to be disseminated outside the Bureau, it is suggested that it be suitably paraphrased in order to protect the Bureau's cryptographic systems.

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BUFFALO (137-1576)

ROBERT F. UTZ

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MICHAEL S. AGNELLO PCI

5/3; 15/68

MISC. GAMBLING MATTERS NORMAN JOSEPH, aka ITAR MURKIN

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165-126

PCI was furnished on 5/3/68 with the flyers concerning the subject JAMES EARL MAY. He stated he would make sure all individuals employed at the Devaux Manor Nursing Home and Deveaux Manor Apartments were aware of the photographs and descriptions of the subject.

AGNELLO was again contacted on 5/15/68. He advised that he had formerly been in the construction business and he was acquainted with numerous individuals in this area, known as persons connected with the gambling element. He had resided on Dana Dr., Lewiston for several years at 5156 Dana Dr., but only his first wife and three boys still live there. He presently lives with his second wife, HELEN, at 5245 East River Rd., Grand Island, NY, home phone 773-5209, office phone BU 5-9155. He indicated a desire to assist the FBI in any way he could.

On 4/22/68, CLAIRE HATCH, Record Room, Niagara Falls, NY PD advised MICHAEL S. AGNELLO received a summons for Speeding on 11/15/56 and paid a \$10. fine.

On 5/8/68, CHERRY SCHENK, Empire Credit Bureau, advised NICHAEL S. AGNELLO had been on file since 1946, had first wife JOSEPHIN and is now married to HELEN. He has good credit rating.

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GAMBLING; FUGITIVES;

See above for current address; phone; credit and arrest record checks.

1 - 137-1576

SAC (137-1288) (P)

5/21/68

SA ELMER F. MOULIN, JR.

BU 427-C

Efforts to contact informant on 4/4 and 4/8/68 were to no avail and on 4/12/68, informant was contacted at her residence at which time she viewed photographs of FRANKLIN ALLEN PARIS, aka, Top Ten Fugitive, and JAMES EARL RAY, aka, Top Ten Fugitive, and after viewing same, she advised that neither individual was known to her.

Informant was again contacted on 5/6/68 at which time she advised that LOUIS ANIBAL OIMEDO is not residing at his residence at 380 Hudson Street, Buffalo, N.Y. and she heard that he is hanging around a group of pimps on Chippewa Street. She advised that she will endeavor to develop additional information concerning these pimps.

1 - 44-374 1 - 88-3958 1 - 42-5855 EFM:rlk (4)

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SAC (137-422) (P)

5/21/68

SA EIMER F. MOULIN, JR.

BU 269-C

On the afternoon of 5/16/68, informant was contacted at his place of business, Woodlawn and Jefferson Avenues, at which time he advised that DE WITT SWEENEY, a known pimp and speakeasy operator, is presently renting the apartment above the liquor store which is informant's business residence and he advised that on weekends numerous white girls come there by cab and he believes that they might be Canadians who are spending weekends in Buffalo. He stated that as well as the martment being used for prostitution, it is also a speakeasy and the activity is not noticed due to the fact that the Star Cab Company has their Office in the same building.

The above information was given to Lieutenant THOMAS MURRAY of the Vice Enforcement Squad on 5/17/68. Informant was also shown photographs of JAMES EARL RAY, aka Buffalo File 44-374; and FRANKLIN ALLEN PARIS, aka, Buffalo File 88-3958, and he advised after viewing same that neither individual is known to him but he would be alert for each individual and if they come into the liquor store, he will immediately notify the Buffalo Office.

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FBI

~	Date: May 21, 1968	
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Via	Airtel	
•	(Priority)	•
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, A	assistance, subject James Earl Ray has been known to consort with prostitutes and "street bums." A photograph of subject was obtained from a prostitute in Mexico. This photograph showing subject wearing sunglasses was previously forwarded to your office.	
	This should be borne in mind in your daily contact with informants, officers of vice squads and prostitutes in covering leads in connection with this and other cases.	
	Armed and dangerous.	
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DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM:

BAC, CHICAGO (44-1114) (P)

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Bureau airtel to Chicago, et al except Newark, dated 5/22/68 and Chicago teletype to the Bureau, Newark, and Kansas City dated 5/10/68.

RE CORRESPONDENCE LOCKSMITHING COURSES

Previous contact with Welson-Hall, Inc., 325 West Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois, revealed that their firm publishes a book, "Modern Locksmithing," which was sold to the Locksmithing Institute, Little Falls, New Jersey. The book is also sold to individual answering advetisements in "Popular Mechanics" magazine. Records have been reviewed against the name of the subject and known aliases for the period of 1/1/67 to 5/10/68 with negative results. This firm does not offer a correspondence course in locksmithing.

No stop will be placed against individuals ordering the book, "Modern Locksmithing," since it is assumed that this book was furnished to the subject by the Locksmithing Institute, Little Falls, New Jersey, when the subject enrolled in the locksmithing correspondence course.

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OPTIONAL FORM NO. 10 MAY 1962 EDITION GSA FPMR (41 CFR) 101-11.6



Memorandum

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SAC (44-374) (P)

DATE:

5/24/68

FROM

SA R. GORDON EDDY

SUBJECT:

MURKIN

IOs of JAMES EARL RAY were distributed on 5/17/68 to all officers attending the police school at Corning Community College, Corning, New York.

Fifty (50) photographs (Xerox) of the latest picture of RAY were furnished to SA ROBERT W. BUCHER pursuant to his request. Twenty (20) glossy photographs of RAY were furnished to SA RAYMOND C. KRUGER per his request.

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SAC, BUFFALO (170-215)(P)

May 24,1968

SA NICHOLAS OBUHANICH

CHARLES SMITH PRI (GHETTO) (00: Buffalo)

Period: 51/6/68 and 5/24/68:

SMITH wasapprised of the confidential nature of the contacts with the FBI and of the Burea u's jurisdication in criminal and related matters. He was informed that he was not to contact the office personally and that he was to furnish only to the ureau any information that comes to his attentionconcerning matters of interest.

SMITH expressed a willingness to assist the Bureau in any matters and he stated that he would not be able to leave the Buffalo, N area because of his family.

SMITH sta ed that he hadno information to furnishf concerning the r.MARTIN LUETHER KING matter and he was shown photo of JAMES EARL RAY and stated that he had not s en this individual in the buffalo, N area.

SMITH stated that he has telephone number 852-0840 and that he is available to be called at any time of the day or night. He stated that he is still employed at the Pelaware-Mohawak arage, Buffalo, NY and that he resides at 304 ine treet, Buffalo, NY.

SMITH stated that he was 5'8",165 lbs, black hair, maroon eyes, married-wife ALBERTA SMITH,

RECOMMEND TAION:

It is recommended that this case be reassigned to SA GORDON J LACEY.

cc: 44-374 NO/no (20

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Memorandum

TO SAC. BUFFALO (44-374) DATE:5/24/68

FROM: SA ROBERT F. UTZ

SUBJECT: MURKIN

The following investigations were conducted by SA's assigned to the Niagara Falls Resident Agency concerning captioned matter. It is noted that during regular daily contacts with the Niagara Falls, New York Police Department and other departments and agencies, the matter concerning the subject JAMES EARL RAY has been appropriately discussed.

> On 4/215, 16/68 numerous laundries and dry cleaning establishments were contacted by SA UTZ. On 4/22/68, CLAIRE HATCH, Record Room, Niagara Falls, NY PD reviewed their records for RAY and known aliases. On 4/24/68, SA HINER contacted Bureau of Customs, the

INS personnel at 3 bridges, Rainbow; Whirlpool; and Lewiston, regarding RAY.

This case has been discussed with and photographs furnished where appropriate to the following persons:

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EARL BENSON, Schrafft's Motel

JOAN KARCZ, Hotel Niagara

MARGARET MANN, City Mission, 228 1st St.

This case has also been discussed with informants at Niagara

Falls, NY; Niagara County, NY; and Orleans, County, NY.

Besides this case being discussed with the Niagara Falls, NY
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Members of the Orleans County Sheriff's Office, Albronn NY

Members of the Albion Village Police Dept. Members of the Medina Village Police Dept.

Martis Motel, Albion, NY

Motel 31, Medina, NY

State Park Police, Niagara Falls, NY

North Tomawanda, NY PD

Downtowner Motel, North Tonawanda, NY



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Lockport, New York Police Department
Niagara County, NY Sheriff's Office, Lockport, NY
Park Hotel, Lockport, NY
Walpine Hotel, Lockport, NY
Chief of Police, Middleport, NY
Chief of Police, Lewiston, NY
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It is noted no departments in Orleans County, NY or Niagara County, NY maintain file on latent fingerprints. STAN DOMSKI, dentification Officer, Niagara County, Sheriff's Office, Lockport, NY contacted rethis and Edentification Officer DWANE TRUSDALE, Niagara Falls, NY Police Department also contacted in this regards.

On 5/22/68, SA's ROBERT F. UTZ and JACK M. SMALLDON observed an individual who resembled the subject RAY. This individual was contacted and determined to be HARRY WILLYAM HILL, 615 67th St., Niagara Falls, New York, a pipefitter at E.I. DuPont Corp., Niagara Falls, NY. His wife is LA VONNE; and HILL wasborn 10/6/24, 5'10'2", 200, brown hair, blue eyes, New York deiver's license H09439 79705 716426, expires 9/30/69. The fingerprints of the left hand of HILL were obtained and noted definitely not to correspond with the fingerprints of RAY.

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SA NICHOLAS OBUHANICH

THOMAD RAWL HEATH PRI(GRETTO) (00: Buffalo)

Period: 5/1/68;5/6/68 and 5/16/68:

HEATH advised that he continues to resde at 50 Gates, Lackawanna, NY and is employed by the Bethlehem Stee 1 orp., Lackawanna, NY.

HEATH stated that he has received no information concerning any possible rac al disturbances in Lackawanna or the Buffalo, NY area. HEATH stated that he has connections with the negor element both in Buffalo and Lackawanna, NY and that in the evident that he recives any information of any contemplated racual violence or trouble that he will immediately notify the Buffalo, NY office.

HEATH was shown photos of JAMES EARL RAY and stated that he jas no s eno or observed this individual in the Lackawanna, NY area and that he would remain on the alert for any information concerning RAY.

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Memorandum

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SAQ (44-374) (P)

pate: 5/27/68

FROM:

SA JAMES E. NEAL, JR.

SUBJECT:

HURKIN

Rememos of SA R. GORDON EDDY, dated 4/9 and 4/30/68 and SAC memo, dated 5/15/68.

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City directories, telephone directories and other records maintained by these law enforcement agencies as well as the Credit Bureau of Batavia, N. Y., have been searched with negative results pertinent to this matter.

Detective bureaus and Sheriff's Offices of these counties have been contacted regarding unidentified latents which they may have available and these individuals have been alerted to the desire that any such latents which they may obtain should be compared with fingerprints of RAY as set forth on the Identification Order.

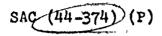
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SACO buffalo (170-193) (P	DATE: 5/27/68	
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or individuals who might be planning any disturbances or incidents in the Rochester area, and that she was unfamiliar with any persons either assisting in or actually participating in the Poor Peoples March on Washington, D.C.

Informant could offer no information concerning JAMES EARL RAY, but advised she still retained the T.O. on this individual.

Memorandum

TO : SAC, BUFFALO 44-374

DATE: 5/28/68

FROM : SA J.C.O'HANLON

SUBJECT: MURKIN

On 5/23/68, JAMES DUIGNAN, Security Officer, Finger Lakes Race Track, Canand aigua, N.Y. was furnished appropriate number of 10 to circulate among track security personnel. He advised that he would give this matter his preferred attention.

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Memorandum

TO

SAC (44-374)

DATE:

5/29/68

FROM

SA SYLVESTER B. SMITH

SUBJECT:

MURKIN

Rememo to All Agents, 5/15/68.

The following individuals were contacted with negative results regarding MURKIN. They were furnished IO's of the subject.

AUGUSTUS RANSOM 290 Locust St., contacted 5/20/68

BU 394-S contacted 5/20/68

RECOMMENDATION

File to appropriate files.

1 - 170-213 (AUGUSTUS RANSOM) 1 - 134-807 (BU 394-S)

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6/3/68 DATE:

FROM

SUBJECT:

MURKIN

At 4:30 PM today, CLEM McGOWAN, Bureau, called and advised as follows:

The RCMP at Toronto has developed eertain information pertaining to a passport application. RCMP has reported that in reviewing certain passports in Canada they have located a passport issued on 4/24/68 to RAYMON GEORGE RCMP stated the photograph appearing on this passport is either RAY or his twin brother. Photograph and other details of the passport are being flown to Washington today.

The RCMP investigation indicates that the application for the passport was/initiated on 4/16/68 through the KENNEDY TRAVEL BUREAU, 962 Dundad Street West, Toronto. A MISS SPENCER handled the matter for the KENNEDY TRAVEL BUREAU. The photograph of SNEYD submitted with the application for the passport was taken in a Toronto photographic studio on 4/11/68. (The lasts ting of our subject was when he dropped the car in Atlanta on 4/5/68 - 6 days to get to Toronto).

The passport application indicates that SNEYD claimed he was unable to submit a "guarantor" in connection with his passport application inasmuch as he had only been in Toronto for three weeks and did not know anyone there. SNEYD, in the passport, is described as:

> White Male Born 10/8/32, at Toronto 5 ft. 10 in. 168 llbs Black hair Blue eyes

Residence given as 968 Dundad Street Toronto.

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