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FBI NEW YORK

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TO MEMPHIS 44-1987 AND BIRMINGHAM

FROM NEW YORK 44-1609

MURKIN, CIVIL RIGHTS, OO- ME.

RE ME TEL TO NY APRIL TEN ONE NINE SIX EIGHT.

NY MARINE INDEX BUREAU RECORDS NEGATIVE RE ERIC S. GALT.
NATIONWIDE MARINE INDEX BEING CIRCULARIZED, HOWEVER, ANSWER
NOT EXPECTED UNTIL APRIL FIFTEEN NEXT DUE TO HOLIDAY APRIL
TWELVE NEXT.

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TO BUREAU (44-38861) MEMPHIS (44-1987) BIRMINGHAM (44-1740)
FROM ST. LOUIS (44-775)

MURKIN CR 00:ME

RE SUSPECT LAUNDRY MARK

KC TEL TO SL INSTANT DATE ADVISED THAT CONTACT WITH ALVIE A. DAVIS, MIDWEST REP FOR THERMAL SEAL REFLECTED THAT THE ONLY LAUNDRY IN SL DIV. UTILIZING FIVE DIGIT MARKING MACHINE IS HOLLIS SUITS LAUNDRY, ST. LOUIS.

MCCAULEY SUITS, OFFICE MANAGER, HOLLIS SUITS, ONE FOUR ZERO ZERO RUSSELL, SL ADVISED INSTANT DATE THAT HIS FIRM USES ONLY THREE DIGITS OF THEIR FIVE DIGIT MACHINE AS FOLLOWS+ FIRST DIGIT LETTER AND SECOND AND THIRD DIGITS NUMERALS. SUITS STATED TO HIS KNOWLEDGE THEY HAVE NEVER USED O TWO B DASH SIX OR D TWO B DASH SIX.

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TO BUREAU (44-38861), MEMPHIS (44-1987), BIRMINGHAM (44-1740), MIAMI
FROM ST. LOUIS (44-775)

MURKIN CR OO*ME

RE SUSPECT ERIC STARVO GALT

CHECK OF INS FILES SL REFLECTS THAT ONLY INDIVIDUAL WITH SURNAME
GALT HANDLED BY THAT OFFICE HAS BEEN PAULA SIMONE GALT, FEMALE BORN
[REDACTED] IN PARIS FRANCE, INS FILE A SEVEN TWO FIVE THREE
EIGHT SIX ZERO. ENTIRE FILE FORWARDED TO INS MIAMI IN NOVEMBER
NINETEEN SIXTYSEVEN. SL CREDIT AND CRIMINAL CHECKS NEGATIVE RE
PAULA SIMONE GALT.

MIAMI CHECK INS FILE OF PAULA GALT AND DETERMINE IF ERIC OR KARL
GALT RELATED TO HER.

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FBI CINCINTI

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TO DIRECTOR, BIRMINGHAM AND MEMPHIS
FROM CINCINNATI (157-1893) 4P

MURKIN

RE CV TELCALL, APRIL TEN, INSTANT.

ALBERT JAMES WALTON, OSP NUMBER ONE TWO THREE NINE ONE ZERO, INCARCERATED CHILLICOTHE CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTION, CHILLICOTHE, OHIO, AND FORMER CV PCI, ADVISED APRIL TEN, INSTANT, DURING FEBRUARY AND MARCH, NINETEEN SIXTYSIX, WHILE RUNNING STOLEN CARS INTO AND THROUGH ALABAMA, USED TO FREQUENT MAC'S TRUCK STOP, FORT PAYNE, ALABAMA. HE STATED TRUCK STOP NO LONGER IN OPERATION. HE SAID MANAGER WAS MAC ELKINS (PHONETIC), WHO RESIDED BOAZ, ALABAMA. ELKINS DESCRIBED AS WM, AGE FIFTIES, ONE SIX FIVE POUNDS, SIX FEET, ZERO INCHES, RAW-BONED, GRAY HAIR AND BALDING. WALTON TESTIFIED AGAINST ELKINS IN NINETEEN SIXTYSEVEN AT USDC, HUNTSVILLE, ALABAMA ON ITSMV CHARGE.

WALTON STATES ELKINS AND GEORGE (LNU) WERE "WHEELS" IN KKK FOR THAT AREA. GEORGE DESCRIBED AS WM, AGE THIRTYFOUR -
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- *Johnson of Huntsville*
- *Leads*
- *Butler*
- *Ward*
- *Batten*

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THIRTYSIX, FIVE FEET FOUR TO FIVE FEET SIX INCHES, ONE SIXTYFIVE TO ONE SEVENTY POUNDS, SANDY WAVY HAIR, POMPADOUR STYLE, RED FACED, HOT TEMPER, TAKES PILLS (BENNIES, GOOF BALLS, ETC.). GEORGE EMPLOYED AS DRIVER OF SEMI TRAILER TRUCK FOR STEEL COMPANY LOCATED DOWN ROAD FROM FORT PAYNE, WHICH TRANSPORTS STEEL BALL JOISTS. GEORGE ALWAYS ARMED.

WALTON STATES HE DONATED TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS TO GEORGE FOR BOND KKK MEMBER CHARGED WITH MURDERING NEGRO IN NEARBY COUNTY. NEXT VISIT TO TRUCK STOP GEORGE PRESENTED HIM WITH KKK MEMBERSHIP CARD. KKK MEETINGS WERE OCCASIONALLY AT GEORGE'S HOUSE LOCATED BY GOING SOUTH PAST FORT PAYNE, THEN PAST STEEL COMPANY AND TURNING LEFT ON OILED OR GRAVEL ROAD. GEORGE'S HOUSE IS WHITE AND BELIEVED TO BE FIRST ON RIGHT.

WALTON CLAIMS SEVERAL STATE TROOPERS AND SHERIFF WERE MEMBERS OF THIS KKK GROUP. WALTON SAID ONE NNIGHT AT RESTAURANT NEXT TO TRUCK STOP FORT PAYNE, WHILE HAVING COFFEE WITH GEORGE AND ELKINS, GEORGE OFFERED HIM FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS TO KILL MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. IN CLEVELAND, OHIO, WHERE HE WAS TO APPEAR FOR SPEECH. GEORGE SHOWED HIM THIRTY OUGHT SIX CALIBER RIFLE WITH SCOPE WHICH WAS KEPT IN GEORGE'S TRACTOR

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TRUCK. HE SAID ELKINS ALSO HAD THIRTY OUGHT SIX RIFLE.

WALTON DECLINED AND AFTER THAT EACH TIME HE SAW GEORGE, GEORGE UPPED OFFER TO KILL KING, FIRST TO SEVENTYFIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS AND THEN TO ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND AND FINALLY TO TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS. GEORGE SAID HE COULD ONLY PAY FIFTY THOUSAND CASH AND REMAINDER IN REGULAR PAYMENTS.

WALTON ADVISED GEORGE AND ELKINS TRAVELED TO BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA FREQUENTLY. HE ACCOMPANIED THEM SEVERAL TIMES. HE SAID THAT THEY HAD ACQUAINTANCES, NAME UNKNOWN, IN TRUCKING BUSINESS AND OWNED TEN TO FIFTEEN SEMI TRUCKS, ALL BELIEVED TO BE INTERNATIONAL HARVESTER. HIS COMPANY OWNS AND LEASES TRUCKS TO FREIGHT LINES IN BIRMINGHAM. THIS INDIVIDUAL HAS ACCOMPLICE IN TEXAS AND TRANSPORTS STOLEN PROPERTY INTO MEXICO. WALTON UNABLE TO RECALL NAME OF COMPANY AND COULD FURNISH NO DESCRIPTION OF OWNER.

ON HEARING NAME LOWMEYER, WALTON STATES HE BELIEVES THERE IS INDIVIDUAL IN FORT PAYNE WITH SAME NAME WHO HAS SOLD PILLS (BENNIES AND GOOF BALLS) TO MAC'S TRUCK STOP.

WALTON STATED THAT EITHER GEORGE OR ELKINS CAPABLE OF ASSASSINATING KING OR HIRING THE MURDERER. WALTON ADVISED EXTREME CAUTION SHOULD BE USED IN CONDUCTING INVESTIGATION IN FORT PAYNE
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AND INDICATED HE COULD POINT OUT PERTINENT LOCATIONS FROM PLANE IF NECESSARY.

BIRMINGHAM, AT BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA.

WILL CHECK INDICES AND RECORDS IN ATTEMPT TO IDENTIFY MAC ELKINS, SUBJECT OF TWENTYSIX MATTER AT HUNTSVILLE DURING NINETEEN SIXTY-SEVEN. THEN CONDUCT INVESTIGATION TO ASCERTAIN WHEREABOUTS ON PERTINENT DATE. WILL CONTACT INFORMANTS AND SOURCES IN ATTEMPT TO IDENTIFY OWNER OF TRUCKING COMPANY ASSOCIATED WITH ELKINS AND GEORGE.

John AT FORT PAYNE, ALABAMA. WILL CONDUCT APPROPRIATE INVESTIGATION TO IDENTIFY GEORGE (LNU) AND DETERMINE IF HE COULD BE INVOLVED IN CAPTIONED MATTER.

AM COPY CLEVELAND.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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636 PM URGENT 4-10-68 VCG

TO DIRECTOR (44-38861), BIRMINGHAM, MEMPHIS, SAN FRANCISCO
FROM JACKSON (157-9586) 3P
MURKIN.

SUBJECT HAD IN POSSESSION SEVERAL ITEMS LEFT NEAR
CRIME SCENE AND AMONG ITEMS WAS STANDARD OIL MAP OF THE
UNITED STATES, WHICH LAB HAS ADVISED HAS NO MARKINGS OR
DRAWINGS ON MAP. PHOTO OF MAP INDICATES MAP IS WHITE
WITH THREE CIRCLED COLORED PHOTOGRAPHS WHICH APPEAR TO
BE MOUNTAIN AND LAKE SCENES. THIS MAP ALSO HAS CHEVRON
SYMBOL ON FRONT. SUBJECT ALSO HAD IN POSSESSION STANDARD
OIL ROAD MAP OF GEORGIA-ALABAMA WITH CHEVRON SYMBOL. THIS
MAP HAS BATTLESHIP USS ALABAMA AT MEMORIAL PARK IN MOBILE
BAY, MOBILE, ALA., ON COVER OF MAP. LAB STATES NO MARKINGS
OR OTHER IDENTIFICATION OF THIS MAP.

JACKSON IS CONDUCTING EXTENSIVE INVESTIGATION ALONG
INTERSTATE ROUTES NORTHERN MISS. AND WITHOUT EXCEPTION,
EVERY STANDARD OIL SERVICE STATION OPERATOR HAS ADVISED
THE STANDARD OIL UNITED STATES MAP WITH
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WHITE COVER IS A CHEVRON MAP AND THIS MAP IS NOT DISTRIBUTED IN MISS. THEY ADVISED MAP DISTRIBUTED ONLY AT CHEVRON STATIONS AND NOT AT STANDARD STATIONS, ALTHOUGH CHEVRON CONTROLS STANDARD OIL COMPANY. MAPS PRINTED BY H.M. GOUSHA COMPANY, SAN JOSE.

W. W. TRAILER, ADVERTISING DEPARTMENT, STANDARD OIL COMPANY, MISS. STATE HEADQUARTERS, JACKSON, MISS., ADVISED THIS DATE THE MAP OF THE UNITED STATES, DESCRIBED ABOVE, IS NOT DISTRIBUTED IN THE SOUTH, TO HIS KNOWLEDGE. HE BELIEVES THIS MAP IS ONLY DISTRIBUTED IN THE WESTERN SECTION OF THE U. S. AND PROBABLY BY THE STANDARD OIL COMPANY OF CALIFORNIA, HOME OFFICE TWO TWO FIVE BUSH STREET, SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF. STATED HOME OFFICE SAN FRANCISCO COULD ESTABLISH WHAT STATES FIRST DESCRIBED MAP IS DISTRIBUTED AND H. M. GOUSHA COMPANY, SAN JOSE, COULD PINPOINT YEAR OF MAP. THE GEORGIA - ALABAMA MAP DESCRIBED IS WIDELY AVAILABLE
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THROUGHOUT SOUTHERN STATES.

SAN FRANCISCO AT SAN FRANCISCO. IMMEDIATELY
CONTACT OIL OFFICIALS, TWO TWO FIVE BUSH STREET, AND
DETERMINE WHAT STATES UNITED STATES MAP, DESCRIBED ABOVE,
IS DISTRIBUTED.

AT SAN JOSE. WILL CONTACT H. M. GOUSHA CO., SAN
JOSE, PRINTER OF MAP AND DETERMINE YEAR OF MAP AND WHERE
DISTRIBUTED. WILL SUTEL INTERESTED OFFICES.

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TO DIRECTOR, MEMPHIS (44-1987) AND NEW YORK
FROM BIRMINGHAM (44-1740) (P)

MURKIN. CR. OO MEMPHIS.

RE NEW YORK REPORT DATED APRIL NINE NINETEEN SIXTYFIVE
CAPTIONED "DONALD WALTER PACCIO, AKA J. D. WILLIAMS; REVEREND
MARTIN LUTHER KING - VICTIM, EXTORTION - RACIAL MATTERS", NEW YORK
FILE NINE - FOUR ZERO FOUR ONE, BUFILE NINE - FOUR THREE FIVE FIVE
THREE.

Rerep
~~RETEL~~ SHOWS DONALD WALTER PACCIO, USING NAME J. D. WILLIAMS,
ON M MARCH THIRTY NINETEEN SIXTYFIVE, TELEPHONICALLY CONTACTED
TUSCALOOSA, ALABAMA MINISTER FROM LYNBROOK, N.Y. STATING HE WANTED
TO KILL VICTIM KING AND THAT HE WANTED TO BE PUT IN CONTACT WITH
MEMBERS OF THE "KLU KLUX KLAN". PACCIO, WHEN INTERVIEWED IN
NINETEEN SIXTYFIVE ADMITTED MAKING ABOVE CALL, BUT DENIED MAKING
THREAT AND STATED HE HAD NO INTENTIONS OF HARMING KING. PACCIO
THEN RESIDED AT ONE ZERO CRAB AVENUE, LYNBROOK, N.Y.

NEW YORK AT LYNBROOK WILL DETERMINE PACCIO'S WHEREABOUTS
DURING PERTINENT PERIOD OF APRIL FOUR LAST.

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TO DIRECTOR, MEMPHIS (44-1987), MOBILE AND NEW ORLEANS
FROM BIRMINGHAM (44-1740)(P)

MURKIN. CR. OO MEMPHIS.

RE BALTIMORE TEL DATED JANUARY ONE EIGHT, NINETEEN SIXTYFIVE,
CAPTIONED "UNSUB; ALLEGED THREAT ON LIFE OF MARTIN LUTHER KING,
JANUARY ONE EIGHT, NINETEEN SIXTYFIVE, SELMA, ALABAMA, RACIAL MATTERS,
OO MOBILE", AND NEW ORLEANS TEL DATED JANUARY ONE NINE, NINETEEN
SIXTYFIVE CAPTIONED, "REGISTRARS OF VOTERS - DALLAS COUNTY, ALABAMA,
VOTER DISCRIMINATION, CR - EL", NEW ORLEANS FILE ONE FIVE SEVEN -
THREE THREE FOUR FIVE, MOBILE FILE FOUR FOUR - FIVE FIVE SEVEN.

RE BALTIMORE TEL REFLECTS NATIONAL CITIZENS COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT WHITLEY HOTEL, MONTGOMERY, ALA., JANUARY FOURTEEN - SIXTEEN,
NINETEEN SIXTYFIVE. RETEL REFLECTS ON JANUARY SIXTEEN, NINETEEN
SIXTYFIVE, JOSEPH MITCHELL, WHILE ALONE WITH ONE NORMAN KILPATRICK,
ADVISED KILPATRICK THAT HE (MITCHELL) HAD BEEN TOLD THAT MARTIN
LUTHER KING WOULD NOT LIVE THIRTY SIX HOURS. RETEL REFLECTS THAT
MITCHELL AND KILPATRICK WERE DELEGATES TO THE ABOVE DESCRIBED
CITIZENS COUNCIL MEETING, AS WAS A DELEGATE FROM SELMA, ALABAMA,
NAME NOT RECALLED.

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RE NEW ORLEANS TEL REFLECTS ~~JAMES CARL PAFFORD~~, BOX ONE NINE FIVE, CULLEN, LOUISIANA, WHO REPORTEDLY ATTENDED ABOVE CITIZENS COUNCIL MEETING AND MADE STATEMENT "HE SHOULD STOP AT SELMA TO SEE WHAT HE COULD DO" ABOUT "MARTIN LUTHER KING". RETEL REFLECTS PAFFORD INTERVIEWED AT SPRING HILL, LOUISIANA, ON JANUARY ONE EIGHT, NINETEEN SIXTYFIVE. RETEL STATES PAFFORD REFUSED TO FURNISH INFORMATION ABOUT ABOVE MEETING EXCEPT TO STATE HE HEARD NOTHING ABOUT THREATS OF VIOLENCE TO KING.

NEW ORLEANS AT CULLEN, LOUISIANA, DETERMINE PAFFORD'S WHEREABOUTS DURING PERTINENT PERIOD OF APRIL FOUR LAST.

MOBILE AT MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA, WILL CONDUCT LOGICAL INVESTIGATION AT WHITLEY HOTEL IN EFFORT TO DETERMINE IDENTITY OF DELEGATE *from Selma, Alabama* TO ABOVE NATIONAL CITIZENS COUNCIL MEETING, JANUARY, NINETEEN SIXTY-FIVE, WHO MAY HAVE REGISTERED AS GUEST AT HOTEL. IF IDENTITY ASCERTAINED, DETERMINE WHEREABOUTS DURING PERTINENT PERIOD APRIL FOUR LAST.

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TO DIRECTOR, BIRMINGHAM AND MEMPHIS
FROM MINNEAPOLIS 157-450

MURKIN. CR. 00 - MEMPHIS.

INVESTIGATION, MINNEAPOLIS, REVEALS FRANCIS ELMER GALT,
BORN [REDACTED] SHAWNEE,
OKLAHOMA, WAS CONVICTED OF SSA, NINETEEN FORTYEIGHT, IN USDC,
DES MOINES, IOWA, AND SENTENCED TO FOUR YEARS, OCTOBER TWENTY-
ONE, NINETEEN SIXTYSIX. HE WAS PAROLED APPROXIMATELY THREE
WEEKS AGO AND IS RESIDING WITH HIS WIFE AT ONE ONE ZERO
TROUDFIT STREET, MADISON, WISCONSIN, EMPLOYED AS SWIMMING
INSTRUCTOR AT YMCA.

LESTER PAUL GALT, BROTHER OF FRANCIS, BORN [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] CLEVELAND, OHIO, RESIDES AT MINNEAPOLIS,
BUT IS NOT READILY AVAILABLE FOR INTERVIEW.

REV. RALPH MARTIN GALT AND WIFE, PARENTS OF FRANCIS AND
LESTER, RESIDE AT FIVE FIVE ZERO ONE COURT "G", FAIRFIELD,
ALABAMA.

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ABOVE MEMBERS OF GALT FAMILY ARE PACIFISTS AND REV. GALT REPORTEDLT SERVED TIME IN PRISON DURING WORLD WAR TWO FOR REFUSING TO SERVE IN THE ARMED FORCES. INASMUCH AS REV. GALT WOULD BE IN A BETTER POSITION TO SATTE IF ERIC STARVO GALT IS A RELATIVE AND TO FURNISH WHEREABOUTS, NO FURTHER EFFORTS BEING MADE TO LOCATE AND INTERVIEW LESTER GALT BY MINNEAPOLIS.

INVESTIGATION CONTINUING.

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TO BIRMINGHAM
FROM MEMPHIS (44-1987)

MURKIN, CIVIL RIGHTS.

RECORDS AT HOLIDAY INN, THREE SEVEN TWO EIGHT LAMAR
AVE., MEMPHIS, REFLECT THE FOLLOWING:

HARRY A. EDGE, ^{8 1 2 9}EIGHT ONE SEVEN NINE RUGBY AVE., BIRMINGHAM,
REGISTERED ^{1 - 3 7 7 8 0 - 7}APRIL FOUR DASH FIVE, LAST, DRIVING FORD BEARING ALABAMA
LICENSE ONE DASH EIGHT NINE SEVEN EIGHT EIGHT SEVEN.

ROBERT A. MURRAY, ONE TWO ONE THREE DRUID HILLS, TUSCALOOSA,
ALABAMA, REGISTERED APRIL TWO THROUGH THREE, LAST, DRIVING FORD
BEARING ALABAMA LICENSE.

BIRMINGHAM ELIMINATE EDGE AND MURRAY AS SUSPECTS. P.

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TO DIRECTOR MEMPHIS BIRMINGHAM

FROM WASHINGTON FIELD 44-703 1P

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RE BIRMINGHAM TELETYPE, APRIL NINE LAST.

CHECK OF RECORDS NOT INDEXED BY UNITED STATES COAST
GUARD HEADQUARTERS, MERCHANT VESSEL PERSONNEL SECTION,
FEDERAL RECORDS CENTER, SUITLAND, MARYLAND, NEGATIVE RE
ERIC STARVO GALT. NAME ERNEST GALT AND VARIATIONS OF GALT
CHECKED THROUGH INDICES AND AT FEDERAL RECORDS CENTER WITH
NEGATIVE RESULTS.

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TO DIRECTOR (44-38861) BIRMINGHAM (44-1740) MEMPHIS (44-1987)
FROM ST. LOUIS (44-775)

MURKIN CR 00:ME

RE SUSPECT ERIC STARVO GALT

RE SL TEL INSTANT DATE

FOLLOWING RECORDS SL CITY AND COUNTY NEGATIVE THIS DATE AS TO
SUSPECT AND RELATIVE KARL GALT:

BIRTH, DEATH, MARRIAGE, AND PORTION OF DIVORCE; BOARD OF EDUCATION;
BARGE LINES; NMU AND SEAFARERS INTERNATIONAL UNIONS; RIVER PUBLICATION
"THE WATERWAYS JOURNAL"; VOTERS REGISTRATION; MPRC AND FRC RECORDS; CITY
EARNINGS TAX; IRS AND ALL METRO POLITAN BANKS FOR ANY ACCOUNTS OR
FINANCIAL DEALS.

INS RECORDS HAVE ONLY ONE ALIEN WITH SURNAME GALT* PAULA SIMONE.
BUREAU AND MIAMI HAS BEEN SEPARATELY ADVISED OF HER FILE.

LAFAYETTE AVENUE SKIPS FROM NINETEEN ZERO SEVEN TO TWENTY THREE
TWENTY TWO AND ALS FROM TWENTY THREE FIVE FIVE TO TWENTY SIX ZERO FIVE.
EXHAUSTIVE NEIGHBORHOOD INVESTIGATION THOSE BLOCKS AS WELL AS LOGICAL
VARIATIONS OF LISTED ADDRESS WERE NEGATIVE. P.

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FBI KNOXVLE

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TO MEMPHIS AND BIRMINGHAM (44-1740)

FROM KNOXVILLE (44-696)

MURKIN, CR.

RE BH TEL TO DIRECTOR, MEMPHIS AND KNOXVILLE THIS DATE.

KNOXVILLE NOT IN POSSESSION OF COMPOSITE OF SUSPECTS.

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Hampton
Send one yours
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TO DIRECTOR, MEMPHIS AND KNOXVILLE
FROM BIRMINGHAM (44-1740) (P)

MURKIN, CR.

INVESTIGATION BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA, REFLECTS SUSPECT ERIC STARVO GALT POSSIBLY WORKED ON BARGES IN ALABAMA. INVESTIGATION JACKSON COUNTY, ALA. INDICATES TVA AT WIDDOWS CREEK STEAM PLANT, NEAR STEVENSON, ALA., AND FARGO COLE CO., FABIUS, ALA., BOTH HAVE BARGE SERVICE ON TENNESSEE RIVER. THIS SERVICE IS PROVIDED BY SERIDINO BARGE CO., GILL, TENN. INVESTIGATION REFLECTS TVA AND FARGO COLE CO. OPERATE NO BARGES OF THEIR OWN.

KNOXVILLE AT GILL, TENN. (NOTE GILL IS JUST ABOVE SOUTH PITTSBURGH) SHOW COMPOSITE OF SUSPECTS TO OFFICIALS AT SERIDINO BARGE CO., AND DETERMINE IF SUBJECT POSSIBLY EMPLOYED BY THEM OR KNOWN TO THEM.

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TO: DIRECTOR AND SAC MEMPHIS
FROM: SAC, BIRMINGHAM (44-1740)

MURKIN.

SUMMARY OF INVESTIGATION RE ERIC STARVO GALT.

REINTERVIEW DAVID PAISLEY, FORMER OWNER NINETEEN SIXTYSIX MUSTANG, PRESENTLY REGISTERED TO GALT, DESCRIBES CAR AS WHITE MUSTANG, HARD TOP, TWO DOOR, EIGHT CYLINDER, TWO EIGHT NINE ENGINE. CONTAINED FOUR INDIVIDUAL FLOOR MATS, RED PLASTIC; PUSH BUTTON RADIO REMOTE CONTROL, OUTSIDE MIRROR, DAY-NIGHT INSIDE MIRROR, APPROXIMATELY TWENTYTHOUSAND MILES AT TIME OF SALE, BODY EXCELLENT CONDITION, MUFFLER PAINTED SILVER. PAISLEY OBSERVED THIS CAR IN FRONT OF ROOMING HOUSE ON HIGHLAND AVENUE FOR APPROXIMATELY ONE MONTH FOLLOWING SALE.

PETER CHERPES, OWNER OF ROOMING HOUSE, ACCOMPANIED GALT WHEN HE OBTAINED DRIVER'S LICENSE. CHERPES RECALLS ^{GALT} (RECEIVING BOX DESCRIBED AS APPROXIMATELY TEN INCHES IN HEIGHT BY EIGHTEEN INCHES BY TWENTYFOUR INCHES, WEIGHING APPROXIMATELY TWENTY POUNDS. HE

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AND Received MIDDLE OF SEPTEMBER.

BELIEVES IT WAS POSTMARKED CHICAGO. GALT ALLEGEDLY DISSATISFIED WITH MERCHANDISE AND RETURNED PACKAGE TO CHICAGO. CONTENTS OF BOX NOT KNOWN. CHERPES ALSO RECALLS GALT RECEIVED A LETTER APPROXIMATELY THREE WEEKS AGO FROM CHICAGO AND BELIEVES IT CONTAINED A CHECK. CHERPES ALLEGEDLY RETURNED THIS LETTER. UNABLE TO ADVISE NAME OF SENDER. CHICAGO ADVISED OF ABOVE AND REQUESTED TO CONDUCT APPROPRIATE INVESTIGATION. SIX PRESENT AND PREVIOUS TENANTS OF ROOMING HOUSE WHO WERE THERE AT TIME OF GALT'S RESIDENCE INTERVIEWED NEGATIVELY. OTHER TENANTS RESIDING THERE IN AUGUST THROUGH OCTOBER NINETEEN SIXTYSEVEN BEING IDENTIFIED AND WHEREABOUTS DETERMINED FOR INTERVIEW.

FORWARDING ADDRESSES AND GENERAL DELIVERY CHECKED RE GALT, LOWMEYER AND WILLARD NEGATIVELY. POSTAL BOXES ARE BEING CHECKED, ALSO CHANGES OF ADDRESSES FOR RESIDENTS IN NEIGHBORHOOD TWO SIX ZERO EIGHT HIGHLAND AVENUE BEING CHECKED.

SAFETY DEPOSIT BOX RENTED BY GALT ON AUGUST TWENTYEIGHT LAST OBTAINED AND TRANSPORTED TO BUREAU FOR APPROPRIATE EXAMINATION. BOX HAD NOT BEEN REISSUED SINCE GALT'S CANCELLATION DECEMBER, NINETEEN SIXTYSEVEN. ELIMINATION PRINTS SECURED FROM ALL EMPLOYEES

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TELEPHONE CALLS PAID FOR AT PAY STATION IN ROOMING HOUSE
OBTAINED AND NUMBERS CALLED IDENTIFIED. LEADS SET FORTH TO
INTERVIEW SUBSCRIBERS. PUBLIC TELEPHONE IN VICINITY OF ROOMING
HOUSE WILL ALSO BE CHECKED.

INVESTIGATION RE WORKMAN'S COMPENSATION CLAIMS FOR SUSPECT
BEING HANDLED.

DRIVER'S TRAINING SCHOOLS BEING CONTACTED.

NEIGHBORHOOD AND DOWNTOWN AREA HOTELS, MOTELS, AND BARS IN
BIRMINGHAM RECANVASSED FOR INFORMATION RE GALT.

SINCE MUSTANG HAD SMOOTH TIRES AT TIME OF SALE, ALL LOGICAL
TIRE OUTLETS BEING CONTACTED.

BARGE COMPANIES IN AREA AND ALL RECORD SOURCES BEING CHECKED.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, BIRMINGHAM (44-1740)(P)

DATE: 4/11/68

FROM : SA MARVIN M. EUBANKS

SUBJECT: MURKIN
CR
OO: MEMPHIS

Re Birmingham airtel to Bureau, 4/8/65,
captioned "UNSUBS; THREAT TO KILL MARTIN LUTHER KING,
JR., INFORMANT - JOHNNY GRIMES, INFORMATION CONCERNING",
BH file 47-2821.

Referenced communication enclosed a LHM to
the Bureau, which reflected that on 3/11/65, JOHN
CHRISTOPHER GRIMES, 206 E Street N.W., Washington,
D. C., was interviewed by Bureau Agents in Birmingham.
He advised that while waiting for an appointment with
Attorney J. ROBERT HUEY on the fourth floor of the
Frank Nelson Building in Birmingham on 3/9/65, he
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discussing MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. GRIMES stated he
heard one of the men say that KING should be killed and
GRIMES stated that the four persons gave him the
impression that they were attorneys in Birmingham.
GRIMES stated he heard one of these persons offer
\$4,000 toward a fund for an assassin, another offered
\$6,000 and another stated he would make up the difference
for \$15,000 for an assassin.

Referenced airtel reflects that GRIMES
reportedly had claimed that he had been employed by
the Federal Bureau of Narcotics, when actually he had
not been, and GRIMES had been admonished not to make
such a claim. Referenced airtel also contained the
statement "in view of the information developed regarding
GRIMES from NORMAN ADAMSKI, Narcotics Bureau, Birmingham,
this case has been closed administratively."

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JOHN CHRISTOPHER GRIMES and the information furnished by
him completely unreliable.

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TO DIRECTOR (44-38861), MEMPHIS (44-1987) AND BIRMINGHAM
FROM BALTIMORE (44-669)

MURKIN; CR.

RE HARVEY LOWMEYER, ALL INSTRUCTIONS IN BUTEL APRIL
EIGHT LAST COMPLIED WITH AND NEGATIVE.

RE ERIC STARVO GALT, LETTER TO ALL FINANCIAL
INSTITUTIONS SENT OUT INSTANT, ALL OTHER RECORDS CHECKED
NEGATIVE PER BUTEL APRIL TEN LAST.

RE THERMO TAPE LAUNDRY MARK, ALL INSTRUCTIONS IN
BUTEL APRIL NINE LAST COMPLIED WITH AND NEGATIVE.

DISTRIBUTOR HANDLING TEXTILE MARKING MACHINES
TO BE CONTACTED AS SOON AS CAN BE LOCATED AND ANY
ADDITIONAL LEADS WILL BE HANDLED IMMEDIATELY.

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TO: DIRECTOR AND ALL SACS
FROM: SAC, BIRMINGHAM (44-1740)

MURKIN

ERIC STARVO GALT, TWO SIX ZERO EIGHT HIGHLAND AVENUE SOUTH,
BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA, REGISTERED OWNER OF WHITE NINETEEN SIXTYSIX
MUSTANG, VIN SIX T ZERO SEVEN C ONE NINE ZERO SIX FOUR SEVEN,
BEARING NINETEEN SIXTYEIGHT ALABAMA LICENSE ONE DASH THREE EIGHT
NINE NINE THREE, IS PRIME SUSPECT IN THIS CASE.

ALL OFFICES CHECK ABOVE VIN FOR POSSIBLE RE-REGISTRATION.

NO INDICATION TO BE GIVEN THAT THIS LEAD IS IN CONJUNCTION
WITH MURKIN CASE.

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FBI MEMPHIS

10:43 A.M. URGENT 4-10-68 VAR

TO NEW YORK AND BIRMINGHAM

FROM MEMPHIS (44-1987) 1P

MURKIN

ERIC S. GALT, WHITE MALE, DATE OF BIRTH APPROXIMATELY
[REDACTED] SUSPECT, WAS REPORTEDLY
EMPLOYED IN THE MARINE INDUSTRY, POSSIBLY ON MISSISSIPPI
RIVER.

NEW YORK OFFICE CONTACT MARINE INDEX BUREAU, ONE SEVEN
BATTERY PLACE, AND THROUGH RACHEL FRESCA, MIB, CONTACT ALL
MARINE INDEX BUREAUS FOR RECORD OF INJURIES AND BACKGROUND
INFORMATION ON GALT.

SUTEL P. END.

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TO: DIRECTOR AND SACS MEMPHIS, ATLANTA, BIRMINGHAM, COLUMBIA,
JACKSON, JACKSONVILLE, MIAMI, RICHMOND,
TAMPA

FROM: SAC, ALBANY (44-493)

MURKIN, CR. OO: MEMPHIS.

RE ALBANY TELCALLS TO BIRMINGHAM, MOBILE AND JACKSON
APRIL NINE INSTANT.

FOR THE INFO OF OFFICES NOT PREVIOUSLY RECEIVING THIS
INFO, SEARCH OF PREMISES BELIEVED OCCUPIED BY UNSUB WHO
ASSASSINATED DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING ON FOUR FOUR SIXTYEIGHT,
DISCLOSED SUITCASE IN WHICH WAS LOCATED TEE SHIRT AND UNDER-
SHORTS BEARING LAUNDRY MARK ON RED TAPE WITH BLACK LETTERING
BELIEVED TO BE THERMO-SEAL TYPE, MANUFACTURED BY TEXTILE
MARKING MACHINE CO., INC., SYRACUSE, N.Y. THE TAPE IS ONE
QUARTER INCH WIDE AND ONE AND ONE SIXTEENTH INCH LONG AND
BEARS LETTERS AND NUMBERS ZERO TWO B DASH SIX.

EXPERTS AT TEXTILE MARKING MACHINE COMPANY ADVISE
TYPE ON THIS MACHINE IS UNUSUAL IN THAT THE FIRST TWO
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CHARACTERS ARE FIFTEEN POINT TYPE AND THE LAST THREE CHARACTERS ARE EIGHTEEN POINT TYPE, WITH THE MIDDLE CHARACTER, THE LETTER B, PROBABLY BEING NARROW RATHER THAN REGULAR TYPE. THE USUAL MACHINE CARRIES FIFTEEN POINT TYPE FOR THE FIRST THREE CHARACTERS AND EIGHTEEN POINT TYPE FOR THE LAST TWO CHARACTERS.

TEXTILE MARKING MACHINE EXPERTS ALSO STATED THIS MACHINE IS DEFECTIVE IN THAT IT IS PRODUCING A TAPE ONE AND ONE SIXTEENTH INCH LONG INSTEAD OF ONE AND ONE EIGHTH INCH LONG AND IS NOT PROJECTING THE TAPE FAR ENOUGH RESULTING IN CUTTING OFF A PORTION OF THE FIRST LETTER. THE CODE USED IN THE NORTH-EASTERN PART OF THE UNITED STATES IS AS FOLLOWS:

THE FIRST LETTER O STANDS FOR LOT NUMBER; THE FIRST NUMBER TWO INDICATES THE DAY OF THE WEEK, TWO BEING TUESDAY; THE SE>ND LETTER INDICATES THE FIRST LETTER OF THE STORE NAME,
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THIS IS THE LETTER B; THE LAST NUMBER IS THE BUNDLE NUMBER. THIS IS SIX. COLOR CODING OF THE TAG MAY DESIGNATE VARIOUS THINGS SUCH AS A DIFFERENT MONTH OR THE IDENTITY OF A STORE IN A CHAIN. EXPERTS ALSO STATE THE USE OF THIS SYSTEM ON LAUNDRY ITEMS IS UNUSUAL IN THAT THE SYSTEM IS NORMALLY USED ON GARMENTS BEING DRY CLEANED.

THE BUREAU HAS INSTRUCTED THAT ALL TEXTILE MACHINES USING THIS TYPE TAPE BE LOCATED AND MACHINES USING THIS CODE BE IDENTIFIED.

THE CODE USED HAS BEEN TRACED TO THE NORTHEASTERN PART OF THE UNITED STATES, HOWEVER, A SIMILAR CODING IS USED IN THE WESTERN PART OF THE UNITED STATES ALSO AND A SIMILAR CODE IS ALSO USED BY COMPANIES WITHOUT THE KNOWLEDGE OF THE COMPANY'S REPRESENTATIVES. THEREFORE, ALL THESE MACHINES MUST BE CHECKED.

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TEXTILE MARKING MACHINE CO. ADVISED THAT THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS WERE PREVIOUSLY EMPLOYED AS SALES REPRESENTATIVES COVERING THE AREA OF NORTHERN ALABAMA, MISSISSIPPI AND THE ENTIRE STATES OF TENNESSEE AND KENTUCKY, AND MAY HAVE UTILIZED THE CODE SYSTEM USED IN THIS TAPE:

RAY SNYDER, EMPLOYED FROM AUGUST NINETEEN SIXTYFOUR TO AUGUST SIXTYFIVE, PRESENTLY LOCATED TOPS QUALITY CLEANERS, FOUR THREE TWO ZERO JACKSON HIGHWAY, SHEFFIELD, ALABAMA; HERSHEL BANKS, TWO FIVE SEVEN MOUNT PLEASANT BLVD. SE, ROANOKE, VIRGINIA, FROM AUGUST SIXTYFIVE TO MAY SIXTYSEVEN.

BIRMINGHAM AND RICHMOND CONTACT THE ABOVE INDIVIDUALS, DETERMINE IF THEY USED THIS CODE SYSTEM, AND IF THEY CAN ADVISED LOCATION AND IDENTITY OF CLEANER UTILIZING SYSTEM.
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TEXTILE MARKETING MACHINE COMPANY ADVISED THAT SEVERAL THERMO-SEAL MACHINES FORMERLY IN POSSESSION OF BUSINESSES HAVE EITHER BEEN SOLD OR OTHERWISE DISPOSED OF. OWNERS OF THESE MACHINES NOT KNOWN TO COMPANY. THESE MACHINES ARE AS FOLLOWS:

MOBILE

BISHOP CLEANERS AND LAUNDRY, DOTHAN, ALABAMA, MODEL NO. H FIVE M FOUR B DASH ONE, SERIAL NO. THREE THREE ZERO NINE FIVE; CHIN'S LAUNDRY, THREE HUNDRED SIXTYONE ST. LOUIS ST., MOBILE, MODEL NO. H FIVE K ONE, SERIAL NO. R THREE TWO ONE ONE ONE, R THREE TWO ONE ONE TWO, R THREE TWO ONE ONE FOUR, R THREE TWO ZERO TWO ONE, R THREE TWO ZERO TWO THREE, R THREE TWO ONE SIX SEVEN, R THREE ONE EIGHT EIGHT SIX; PALACE LAUNDRY, SEVEN ZERO ONE ST. ANTHONY ST., MOBILE, ALABAMA, MODEL NO. H FIVE K FOUR, SERIAL NUMBER R THREE TWO FIVE ONE FOUR, R THREE TWO FIVE THREE FIVE.

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ATLANTA

MARK'S LAUNDRY AND CLEANERS, ATLANTA, GEORGIA, MODEL
NO. H FIVE L ONE, SERIAL NUMBERS THREE ONE NINE SEVEN ONE;
THREE ONE NINE SEVEN TWO.

COLUMBIA

IDEAL WHITE SWAN CLEANERS AND LAUNDRY, SEVEN TWO THREE
KING ST., CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA, MODEL NO. H FIVE M FOUR
B DASH ONE, SERIAL NO. THREE THREE ZERO ONE SEVEN.

JACKSONVILLE

TILLMAN'S LAUNDRY, THREE ONE ZERO PARK ST., JACKSONVILLE,
FLA., MODEL NO. H FIVE L ONE, SERIAL NUMBERS THREE ONE FIVE
NINE EIGHT, R THREE ONE NINE NINE EIGHT, R THREE ONE NINE NINE
NINE; STRAHAM'S LAUNDRY, ONE ZERO TWO FOUR KINGS AVENUE,
JACKSONVILLE, FLA., MODEL NO. H FIVE M FIVE M FOUR, SERIAL NO.
THREE TWO SIX FOUR SEVEN.

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MIAMI

NEW PEERLESS LAUNDRY, ONE ONE ZERO N.W., FIFTYFIFTH
AVENUE, FT. LAUDERDALE, FLA., MODEL NO. H FIVE L FOUR,
SERIAL NO. THREE TWO SIX ONE FOUR.

TAMPA

PALMACEIA CLEANERS AND LAUNDRY, SIX TWO ZERO SOUTH
MC DILL, TAMPA, FLA., MODEL NO. H FIVE L FOUR, SERIAL
NO. THREE TWO THREE EIGHT NINE; LINCOLN LAUNDRY, ONE NINE ONE
ZERO TWENTY SECOND AVENUE, TAMPA, FLA., MODEL NO. H FIVE K
ONE, SERIAL NUMBERS THREE ONE FOUR EIGHT ONE, THREE ONE FIVE
TWO TWO; SPOTLESS CLEANERS, SIX TWO ONE ZERO FLA. AVENUE,
TAMPA, FLA., MODEL NO. H FIVE K ONE, SERIAL NUMBERS THREE
ONE FOUR TWO SEVEN, THREE ONE FOUR FIVE SEVEN, THREE ONE FOUR
SIX SIX; PRATHER'S, INCORPORATED, FT. MYERS, FLA., MODEL
NO. H FIVE L ONE, SERIAL NO. THREE ONE SIX THREE ONE AND
THREE ONE SEVEN NINE THREE.

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SARASOTA LILY-WHITE LAUNDRY AND CLEANERS, SEVEN HUNDRED SOUTH OSPREY AVE., SARASOTA, FLA., MODEL NO. H FIVE L FOUR, SERIAL NO. THREE TWO ONE NINE FIVE.

MOBILE; ATLANTA; COLUMBIA; JACKSONVILLE, MIAMI AND TAMPA WILL CONTACT THE ABOVE BUSINESS PLACES AS INDICATED AND DETERMINE PRESENT LOCATION OF THESE MACHINES, CONTACT OR SET OUT LEADS TO CONTACT THESE PLACES, DETERMINE WHETHER CODE IS USED AS ON INSTANT TAPE, WHETHER THERMO-SEAL IS USED ON SMALL LAUNDRY ITEMS AND WHETHER INSTANT TAPE POSSIBLY PRODUCED BY THEIR MACHINES AND IF SO OBTAIN SAMPLE OF THERMO SEAL TAPE AND FORWARD TO FBI.

THE FOLLOWING ARE LAUNDRIES UTILIZING THERMO-SEAL MACHINES ONE QUARTER INCH TAPE, ONE AND ONE EIGHTH IN LENGTH, FIVE CHARACTERS: AMORY STEAM LAUNDRY, AMORY, MISSISSIPPI, SERIAL NO. R THREE TWO ZERO TWO EIGHT; DELTA STATE COLLEGE
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CLEVELAND, MISSISSIPPI, SERIAL NO. THREE ONE THREE FIVE FIVE;
LONG'S LAUNDRY AND CLEANERS, ONE THREE ZERO EAST MAIN ST.,
TUPELO, MISSISSIPPI, SERIAL NO. THREE ONE SEVEN TWO EIGHT
AND THREE ONE SEVEN FOUR SIX; MISSISSIPPI STATE UNIVERSITY,
STATE COLLEGE, MISSISSIPPI, SERIAL NUMBERS THREE ONE TWO ONE
FOUR AND THREE ONE TWO ONE FIVE; PHOENIX LAUNDRY,
HATTIESBURG, MISSISSIPPI, SERIAL NO. THREE THREE SEVEN EIGHT
FOUR.

JACKSON OFFICE CONTACT ESTABLISHMENTS, DETERMINE WHETHER
THESE MACHINES UTILIZED CODE ON TAPE AND UTILIZED TAPE ON
M ALL LAUNDRY ITEMS AND IF SO OBTAIN SAMPLE AND FORWARD
IMMEDIATELY TO FBI LABORATORY FOR IDENTIFICATION.

ALL OFFICES ADVISED ALBANY IMMEDIATELY IF TAPE IDENTIFIED.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

END

AJP

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FBI ATLANTA

BHGDM

FBI BIRMGHAM

COJJP

FBI-COLUMBIA

METSJ

FBI MEMPHIS

RH ECS

FBI RICHMOND

FBI BIRMGHAM

FBI SACTO

1159PM URGENT 4-10-68 GWC

TO DIRECTOR (44-38861), SAN FRANCISCO, MEMPHIS AND BIRMINGHAM
FROM SACRAMENTO (100-427) 3P

MURKIN, CR.

RELATEL TO BUREAU, APRIL NINE LAST, ELEVEN FORTY PM; NO CC SF.

RETEL REQUESTED REVIEW OF PRISON RECORDS RE HARVEY EDWARD LOHMEYER, ARRESTED BY SAN DIEGO SO FOR ATTEMPTED BURGLARY AND SENTENCED FEBRUARY EIGHTEEN, FIFTYNINE, TO INDETERMINATE SENTENCE, CHINO STATE PRISON, CHINO, CALIF. LOS ANGELES ADVISED ^{RECORD} ~~WAS~~ NO LONGER AT CHINO.

RECORDS, CALIF. MEDICAL FACILITY, VACAVILLE, CALIF., REVEAL HARVEY EDWARD LOHMEYER, PRISON NO. A DASH FIVE ONE THREE FOUR TWO, FBI NO. SEVEN THREE ZERO NINE SEVEN NINE, CALIF. BUREAU OF CRIMINAL IDENTIFICATION AND INVESTIGATION (CII) NO. ONE THREE NINE FOUR NINE FOUR THREE, SAN JOSE, CALIF. PD NO. SEVEN EIGHT THREE ZERO THREE, RECEIVED FEBRUARY TEN, FIFTYNINE, AFTER CONVICTION ATTEMPTED BURGLARY WITH PRIOR FELONY FROM SAN DIEGO COUNTY. WAS RELEASED ON PAROLE TO SAN JOSE DISTRICT PAROLE OFFICE NOVEMBER SEVEN
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SIXTYTHREE, AND DISCHARGED FROM PAROLE FEBRUARY TWENTYSEVEN, SIXTYFIVE. LOHMEYER IS DESCRIBED AS WMA, BORN [REDACTED] [REDACTED] FIVE FEET EIGHT AND ONE-HALF INCHES, ONE SIX ZERO POUNDS, FAIR COMPLEXION, SLENDER, BROWN HAIR, BLUE EYES, TATTOOS "MOM" RIGHT FOREARM, ONE-HALF INCH SCAR ACROSS BRIDGE OF NOSE. RECORDS REVEAL FOLLOWING RELATIVES AND ASSOCIATES:

BLANCH LOHMEYER, MOTHER, FOUR ONE NINE NORTH FOURTH STREET, QUINCY, ILLINOIS; WALTER LOHMEYER, BROTHER, ONE EIGHT TWO FOUR OAK, QUINCY, ILLINOIS; HELEN TIBBETS, SISTER, FOUR ONE NINE NORTH FOURTH STREET, QUINCY, ILLINOIS; MILDRED STANBRIDGE, SISTER, NO ADDRESS, QUINCY, ILLINOIS; VIRGINIA LOHMEYER, SISTER, NO ADDRESS, PHOENIX, ARIZONA; ALICE FENTON, SISTER, SEVEN TWO CASTRO STREET, SAN LEANDRO, CALIFORNIA; MRS. MARILYN HICKOX, FRIEND, TWO SIX TWO ZERO META DRIVE, SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA; ERNEST CASSETTA, FRIEND, ALSO EMPLOYER DURING PERIOD OF PAROLE, THREE EIGHT ZERO EAST SANTA CLARA, SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA; MRS.

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LENORA J. MEYERS, EX-WIFE, THREE TWO NINE SOUTH FOURTH STREET,
QUINCY, ILLINOIS.

PRISON FILE INDICATES HE WAS CLOSEST TO HIS SISTER, ALICE
FENTON, SAN LEANDRO, CALIFORNIA.

CII RECORDS REVEAL LOHMEYER, AKA HARVIE EDWARD LOHMEYER,
ALSO ARRESTED PD, QUINCY, ILL., SP, MENARD, ILL., PD ESCONDIDO,
SO SAN DIEGO, PDS SAN JOSE, SANTA CLARA, SAN LEANDRO, AND SO
OAKLAND. LAST ARREST PD SAN JOSE, OCTOBER THIRTYONE, SIXTYFIVE.
ARREST IN QUINCY IN NINETEEN FIFTYONE FOR RIOTING.

SAN FRANCISCO CONTACT RELATIVES AND ACQUAINTANCES FOR
PRESENT WHEREABOUTS OF LOHMEYER. IF LOCATED, DETERMINE WHERE-
ABOUTS DURING PERTINENT PERIOD, MARCH TWENTYNINE - THIRTY, LAST,
AT BIRMINGHAM, AND APRIL FOUR LAST AT MEMPHISS. BUREAU INSTRUCTS
LEADS IN CAPTIONED MATTER BE GIVEN TOP PRIORITY AND NO INDICATION
IS TO BE GIVEN THAT THIS LEAD IS IN CONJUNCTION WITH MURKIN CASE.

PHOTO OBTAINED FROM FILES OF CII AND CALIF. DMV WILL BE
FORWARDED TO MEMPHIS AND BIRMINGHAM BY SEPARATE COVER.

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FBI BIRMGHAM

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*correction pg. 1 made
ref. sc file 4/11/68
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC (44-1740)

DATE: 4/9/68

FROM : SA LARRY K. SYLVESTER

SUBJECT: MURKIN
CR

The following investigation was conducted by SA LARRY K. SYLVESTER on 4/9/68:

The following individuals were contacted and shown the composite sketch in effort to identify ^{the individual with NEGATIVE RESULTS} This includes all service stations, restaurants, and motels on U.S. Highway 78 - Interstate 20 from Eastaboga, Ala. to Irondale, Ala:

WILLIAM D. WALTON, Mgr., Hilltop Truck Stop, Eastaboga, Ala.
JENNY RICH, waitress, " " " " "
MARY SHAW, " " " " "
BOB LAUDERBUILT, Gas Attendant, Hilltop Truck Stop
Mr. and Mrs. MACK JOHNSON, Johnson Standard Service, Lincoln, Ala.
A. C. PETTIS, Mgr., Citco Service Station, Lincoln, Ala.
L.L. HAYNES, ParGas Dist., Lincoln, Ala.
TRAVIS MC CAIG, owner, MC CAIG Motel, Lincoln, Ala.
ROXIE ODELL, waitress, MC Caig Motel Restaurant
ROMANA ALDRIDGE, " " " "
THURMAN BELL, I-20&77 Service Station, Lincoln, Ala.
ROLAND and BILLY ALLEN, Allen Texaco, Lincoln, Ala.
BILLY HIEFNER, Mgr., Riverside, Ala. Gulf Service Station
FRANK RIDDLE, Mgr., Riverside, Ala. Enco Service Station
WILLIAM FINCHER, Mgr., Holiday Inn of Riverside, Ala.
JANET RICHEY, Desk Clerk, Holiday Inn
JEAN PHILLIPS, " " " "
MIAMI FAMBROUGH, Receptionist, Holiday Inn Restaurant
BETTY HAYNES, waitress, " " "
ELIZABETH RICH, " " " "
JAMES C. HENSON, Mgr., Henson Shell Service Station, Pell City, Ala.
JIMMY WALDROP, Henson Shell Service Station
IRA BRASWELL, Sentell Oil Co., Irondale, Ala.
FRANK WINDOM, Sentell Oil Co., Irondale, Ala.
BILL PIERCE, Mgr., Rosehill Night Club, Irondale, Ala.
JAMES T. SMITH, Mgr., Hwy 78 Tavern, Irondale, Ala.

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In addition, the records of the Mc Caig motel, Lincoln, Ala. and the Holiday Inn, Riverside, Ala. were checked from 3/1/68 through 4/8/68 and failed to show that anyone using the name JOHN WILLARD or HARRY LOWMEYER^{OR SIMILAR VARIATIONS} had registered at the motels. The proprietors of both motels stated that they did not use either a green blankets or bedspreads in the rooms.

*INDIVIDUALS AT BOTH MOTELS ADVISED THAT
THEY WERE UNABLE TO RECALL ANYONE SUSPICIOUS
REGISTERING AT THE MOTEL IN THE LAST TWO
WEEKS.*

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Memorandum

TO : SAC (44-1740)

DATE: 4/9/68

FROM : SA ERVIN B. BRUNINGA

SUBJECT: MURKIN
CR
OO: ME

Re telephonic lead from Huntsville RA to check RAYMOND SNYDER, Operator Top's Cleaners, Jackson Highway, Sheffield, Alabama to determine if his laundry has a customer who might be identified through Thermo-Seal laundry label 2B-6 or 02B-6 on a red label.

SNYDER does use a Thermo-Seal labeling machine which has the $\frac{1}{2}$ inch tape but he does not use a code with a 0 in front of the first number. SNYDER has had this machine for about ~~two~~ $1\frac{1}{2}$ years and he has very large volume of laundry tickets which contain a duplicate of the Thermo-Seal labels placed on garments handled in his plant.

Each existing laundry ticket at the Top's Cleaners has been checked and no labels of any kind were found which had a code where a 0 was in front of the first number in the code. No red label was found with the code 2B-6. SNYDER knew of no other cleaners in the Tri-Cities area who use Thermo-Seal labels and he knew of no other cleaners who would use a 0 in front of the first number of the code. He explained a cleaner could devise his own personal code system and not necessarily follow the normal code system.

Separate communication being prepared re other information furnished by SNYDER regarding possible means of locating cleaner who might use code with a 0 as the first figure in code.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, BIRMINGHAM (44-1740) P

DATE: 4/10/68

FROM : SA ARTHUR JON COOK

SUBJECT: MURKIN
CR

The following investigation was conducted by SA ARTHUR JON COOK on 4/9/68 along US Highway 11 and Interstate 59 from the junction of US Highways 11 and 278, Attalla, Alabama, to the Georgia state line:

The artist's sketch of subject was exhibited to the following persons who advised they had never seen the individual depicted; no individual had registered at their establishment during the period 3/27/68 to 4/4/68 using the name HARVEY LOWMEYER or JOHN WILLARD; their establishment did not use green herringbone blankets or bedspreads; and none of their guests had driven a white Mustang automobile or left behind a 58" long cardboard box:

Mrs. Carolyn Harrell, owner, Pan-Am Cafe, US Highway 11, Collinsville, Alabama

Mrs. Russell Jacoway, Jacoway's Motel, US Highway 11, Collinsville, Alabama.

Mrs. Ola Haney, Manager, Campbell's Motel, US Highway 11, Ft. Payne, Alabama.

Mrs. Mamie Johnson, Manager, Mountain View Motel, US Highway 11, Ft. Payne, Alabama.

H.W. Reeves, Reeve's Motel and Restaurant, US Highway 11, Ft. Payne, Alabama.

Mrs. Shelby Parker and Mrs. Sybil DeMarco, Waitresses, Reeve's Motel and Restaurant, US Highway 11, Ft. Payne, Alabama.

Mr. Hugh Haralson, owner, Bethune's Courts, US Highway 11, Ft. Payne, Alabama.

Mr. John Gilbreath, owner Black's Motel and Restaurant, US Highway 11, Ft. Payne, Alabama.

Mrs. Lillian Thurman, Mrs. Han Hendricks, Mrs. Sue Witts, Mrs. Martha Malone, Waitresses, Black's Motel and Restaurant, US Highway 11, Ft. Payne, Alabama.

Mr. J.H. Blake, owner, Freeway Motel, US Highway 11, and Interstate 59, DeKalb County, Alabama, at Georgia state line.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, Birmingham (44-1740)

DATE: 4-10-68

FROM : SA Charles Z Renfroe

SUBJECT: MURKIN
CR.

The following investigation was conducted by SA Charles z. Renfroe on 4/9/68 along US Highway 11 and Interstate I-59 from Birmingham City limits to Whitney Junction @

The artist sketch of subject was exhibited to the following persons who advised they had never seen the person depicted; no individual had registered at their place during the period of 3-37-4-4-68 using the name HARVEY LOWMEYER or JOHN WILLARD and their places did not use green herringbond blankets or spreads; none of their guests had driven a white Mustang or left behind a 58" long cardboard box:

Mallie Carruba, Operator of Gadd Inn, Trussville U.S. 11.
Mrs. Frank Cooney, Owner, Holly Mount Motel, US 11, Trussville.
Lynda Helms, Operator, Gee's & Myra's Cafe, US 11, Trussville.
Pauline Reed, Operator, Dairy Cone Cafe, US 11, Trussville.
James Hall, Mgr, Fred and Jeans Tavern, US 11, Trussville.
Ed Ray, Mgr, 1st & Last Chance Tavern, US 11, Trussville.
Inez Milner, Operator, Milner's Cafe, US 11, Springville.
Frank Thompson, COP, Springville.
Herman Carden, Operator, Carden Cafe, US 11, Springville.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, Birmingham (44-1740)

DATE: 4-10-68

FROM : SRA Charles W. Perry

SUBJECT: MURKIN
CR.

The following investigation was conducted by SRA Charles W. Perry on 4-9-68 along US Highway 11 and Interstate 59 from Attalla, Alabama to Whitney Junction:

The artist's sketch was exhibited to the following persons who advised they had never seen the individual depicted; no persons had registered at their establishment during the period 3/27 to 4/4/68 using the name HARVEY LOWMEYER or JOHN WILLARD; their establishment did not use green herringbone blankets or spreads; none of their guest had driven a white Mustang car or left behind a 58" long cardboard box:

Mr. W. Horton, Inn Keeper Holiday Inn, Attalla.

Jean Batsonm Mgr. Carnes Cafe, US 11 S Attalla.

C.H. Buckalew, Owner of Buck's Motel, US 11, S Attalla

Mrs. Lillie McGee, Owner of McGee Motel, US 11 S. Attalla

Mrs. Nancy Buckalew, Mgr. Daniel Motel, US 11 S. Attalla.

Mr. B. Talton, Owner, Talton Motel, US 11, Etowah Co.

Mrs. Mildred Wilson, Wilson Supper Club, US 11, Etowah Co.

Frances Washington, Mgr. Wisner American Cafe, US 11, Whitney.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, Birmingham (44-1740)

DATE: 4-10-68

FROM : HOMER E. PARKER
SPC

SUBJECT: MURKIN

At 11:47 PM, 4-10-68, SA BILL NOLAN, Los Angeles Office, telephonically advised that photos of a suspect in MURKIN case along with Xerox copies of some teletypes Birmingham did not receive were being placed on Delta flight 180 from LA to Atlanta, Georgia. He said at Atlanta the envelope would be given to the Captain of Delta Flight 151 scheduled to arrive Birmingham at 6:01 AM, 4-11-68. SA NOLAN requested that Birmingham arrange to have someone meet this plane and obtain the envelope.

On instructions from SAC, I called SA RALPH N. BUTLER and told him SAC desired he meet the plane.

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6:57PM URGENT 4-10-68 DPK

TO DIRECTOR, ATLANTA, MEMPHIS, BIRMINGHAM, AND SAN FRANCISCO
FROM LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

MURKIN; CR; OO: MEMPHIS.

RE SAN FRANCISCO TELETYPE TO LOS ANGELES APRIL EIGHT LAST.

RE INFORMATION FURNISHED BY HERBERT WILSON BOWEN AT SAN FRANCISCO.

CHUCK BOYD, OWNER, PRELUDE CLUB, FOUR NINE TWO THREE
LANKERSHIM AVENUE, NORTH HOLLYWOOD, CALIFORNIA, INTERVIEWED
APRIL NINE LAST ADVISED WORKED ALL NIGHT ON APRIL SEVEN LAST.
BOYD STATES REGULAR CROWD AT CLUB THAT NIGHT AND DID NOT
NOTICE INDIVIDUALS DESCRIBED BY BOWEN.

NEIGHBORHOOD NEGATIVE.

LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT FIELD INVESTIGATION
COMPUTER NEGATIVE RE DESCRIBED VEHICLE.

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7:57PM URGENT 4-10-68 DPK

TO DIRECTOR (44-38861), MEMPHIS (44-1987), AND BIRMINGHAM
FROM LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

MURKIN.

RE LOS ANGELES PHONE CALL TO BUREAU BY SAC GRAPP FOUR
TEN SIXTY EIGHT, BUTEL TO ALL OFFICES FOUR NINE SIXTY EIGHT
AND CLEVELAND TEL TO LOS ANGELES FOUR TEN SIXTY EIGHT.

DURING CHECK OF LAUNDRIES IN HOLLYWOOD, CALIFORNIA, AREA
MARKING MACHINE BEARING SERIAL NUMBER THREE ONE FOUR FIVE FOUR
WAS LOCATED AT HOME SERVICE LAUNDRY AND DRY CLEANING COMPANY,
FIVE TWO EIGHT NAUGHT HOLLYWOOD BOULEVARD, LOS ANGELES, WHICH
MACHINE HAD BEEN ORIGINALLY SOLD TO DELITE LAUNDRY, ONE SIX
NAUGHT SEVEN BROOKLYN AVENUE, LOS ANGELES, AND ONE OF THE
MACHINES REFERRED TO IN ALBANY TELETYPE FOUR EIGHT SIXTY EIGHT.
SAMPLES OF TAPES MADE BY THIS MACHINE TAKEN AND APPEAR TO BE
IDENTICAL WITH LAUNDRY TAGS ON SUSPECT CLOTHING. THESE SPECIMENS
BEING SENT OT FBI LABORATORY VIA AIRLINE TONIGHT.

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