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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, BIRMINGHAM (44-1740)(P) DATE: 4/19/68

FROM : SA MONTE E. HANLEY

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re memo of ASAC RALPH J. RAMPTON to All Sr. RAs,
4/10/68; Jackson tel to Bureau, Birmingham, and Memphis,
4/11/68; Chicago tel to Bureau, Birmingham, and Memphis,
4/11/68; Baltimore tel to Bureau, Birmingham, and Memphis,
4/11/68.

The following investigation was conducted by
SA MONTE E. HANLEY:

On 4/10/68, W. G. BROWN, Personnel Manager, and
MARGARET FLEMING, Secretary, Ingle Iron Works, Decatur,
Alabama, reviewed their personnel records and could not
locate any record to indicate that ERIC STARVO GALT or
INEZ COWART GALT had ever worked at that plant.

On 4/10/68, JAMES COLLINS, 808 Second Avenue,
Athens, Alabama, was interviewed at his employment, Alabama
State Dock, Decatur, Alabama, where he advised that the
composite furnished by Birmingham vaguely resembled a man
by the name of CLAUDE (LNU) who worked on a boat that was
docked at the Alabama State Dock about a year ago. He
described CLAUDE (LNU) as a white male, age 30 - 35, 5'8",
very fat, dark complexion, and a lot of dark hair. He
said CARSON DAVIS who lives on Norris Road, Decatur, was
skipper on that boat.

On 4/10/68, CARSON DAVIS, Route 5, Decatur (Norris
Mill Road), advised that the composite definitely did not
resemble anyone who worked on his boat. He said that a
CLAUDE WINDER worked on the boat and he later had to fire him
when they were in New Orleans. He described WINDER as a very
heavyset man, about 5'8" tall, who was an Indian and had a
very dark complexion. WINDER grew up on a reservation in
Oklahoma, and now lives in Greenville, Mississippi. He
reiterated that WINDER did not resemble the composite.



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On 4/10/68, R. E. BEASLEY, Chief Security Officer, Monsanto Corporation, Decatur, advised that various tugs and barges occasionally stop at Monsanto, and he will contact the dock foreman to determine if the employees normally see any of the individuals on these boats.

On 4/11/68, BEASLEY stated that CECIL HOLLAND is about the only employee who might see any of the individuals on the boats.

On 4/11/68, CECIL HOLLAND, Route 6, Athens, Alabama, who is employed at Monsanto, Decatur, advised that he seldom sees crew members who stop at the plant and those whom he sees are usually the older men. He stated that he does not recall seeing anyone who resembled the composite.

On 4/11/68, GAYNELL HALL, Morgan County Courthouse, Decatur, reviewed the divorce records for Morgan County for the period from 1945 to the present, and did not locate any information concerning ERIC STARVO GALT, HARVEY LOWMEYER, or JOHN WILLARD.

On 4/11/68, LORENE SCOTT, Limestone County Courthouse, Athens, Alabama, reviewed the divorce records for Limestone County for the period from 1938 to the present, and could not locate any record concerning the above names.

On 4/12/68, RUSSELL PLUNKETT, Cullman County Courthouse, Cullman, Alabama, reviewed the divorce records for Cullman County from 1940 to the present, and did not locate any information concerning the above names.

On 4/12/68, FOREST MACK COLE, 4018 Carta Circle, Jackson, Mississippi, was located at his employment, the Spur Gasoline Station, 201 Second Avenue West, Cullman. COLE advised that he is currently rooming at a house located just across the street and north of the Spur Station. He also advised that he recalls living in a rooming house at 2608 Highland Avenue, Birmingham, Alabama, for about two or three weeks in September or November, 1967. He did not stay there long because he did not like the rooming house and he seldom saw any of the other roomers because he had to leave early to go to work and normally came home late

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at night. He recalls the name ERIC being mentioned at the rooming house; however, he cannot associate this name with any particular individual. He was shown the composite and he advised that it resembles someone he saw at the rooming house, but he cannot associate the composite with the individual named ERIC nor with any other particular individual at the rooming house.

On 4/12/68, JIMMY SIMS, Sims Pure Oil Station, Trinity, Alabama, advised that he and GEORGE GRIFFITH were working on a truck in GRIFFITH's garage, which is adjacent to the Pure Oil Station, when JOHN CONNOR came in and told them that MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. had been shot in Memphis, Tennessee. SIMS advised that CONNOR lives next to the gas station, but had gone to North Carolina for the week end.

On 4/12/68, GEORGE GRIFFITH, Route 2, Hartselle, Alabama, advised that at the time KING was killed in Memphis, he was working on a wrecker owned by JIMMY SIMS at SIMS' Pure Station, Trinity, Alabama. He and SIMS were working on the truck at his (GRIFFITH's) garage which is next to SIMS' gas station. He said (FNU) CONNOR, who lives near the Pure Station ran into the garage and told them that KING had just been shot in Memphis, Tennessee. GRIFFITH stated that he did not like KING but he did not shoot him and believes it was a very foolish thing to do. He said killing KING did not help the white people and in fact it helped the Negroes and anyone else who supported the civil rights movement, and more civil rights laws will probably be passed in the near future.

On 4/15/68, JOHN CONNOR, Trinity, Alabama, advised he was lying on his couch at home watching television when the program was interrupted with an announcement that MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. had been shot in Memphis, Tennessee. He immediately went out to GRIFFITH's garage, located next to Sims Pure Oil Station, both of which are within about 100 yards of his house, and told GEORGE GRIFFITH and JIMMY SIMS what he had heard on TV. GRIFFITH and SIMS were both working on a truck in the garage at the time.

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2 19 PM URGENT 4-19-68 BSH

TO BIRMINGHAM (44-1740)

FROM CHARLOTTE (44-1365)

MURKIN

REUTEL APRIL SEVENTEEN LAST.

C. WILLIAMS, LEESONA CORP., CHARLOTTE, N.C., ADVISED ON APRIL EIGHTEEN LAST THAT CHESTER C. BARFIELD WAS TO BE A STUDENT AT A TWO WEEKS SCHOOL BEING HELD AT THAT PLANT. HE ADVISED BARFIELD NEVER REGISTERED AND NEVER PUT IN AN APPEARANCE AT LEESONA CORP. AND HIS PRESENT WHEREABOUTS ARE UNKNOWN. HE BELIEVED BARFIELD WAS RECALLED TO ALA. BY HIS EMPLOYER. BARFIELD NO LONG REGISTERED AT HOWARD JOHNSON MOTEL.

BIRMINGHAM AT LINEN THREAD CO., BLUE MOUNTAIN, ALA.
ATTEMPT TO LOCATE BARFIELD AND INTERVIEW CONCERING
STATEMENTS TO EFFECT HE KILLED KING.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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FBI ST LOUIS

4:29 PM IMMEDIATE 4-19-68 REM

TO: DIRECTOR, BIRMINGHAM, CHICAGO, KANSAS CITY, MEMPHIS,
AND SPRINGFIELD

FROM: ST. LOUIS (44-775) 2P

MURKIN

RE BUTEL TODAY IDENTIFYING JAMES EARL RAY, FBI THREE
ZERO SIX FOUR FOUR THREE A, AS ERIC STARVO GALT.

REINTERVIEW OF CAROL RYAN PEPPER, SISTER OF SUBJECT,
TODAY REVEALED SUBJECT'S FATHER IS JERRY RAY, AGE FIVE NINE
WHO IS RESIDING ON A FARM NEAR HANNIBAL, MO., EXACT LOCATION
UNKNOWN, BUT WHO HAS TELEPHONE AT RESIDENCE.

ADDITIONAL RELATIVES IDENTIFIED AS SISTER MELBA RAY,
AGE THIRTY, WHO IS SOMEWHAT RETARDED AND WAS REPORTEDLY IN
JAIL, QUINCY, ILL., SHORTLY BEFORE CHRISTMAN, SIXTYSEVEN.
SUSIE (PHONETIC) RAY, ANOTHER SISTER, AGE ABOUT TWENTY,
WAS RAISED BY AN UNIDENTIFIED FAMILY IN QUINCY, ILL., AND
RECENTLY MARRIED A BAND LEADER. JOHN RAY, AKA JACK RAY, A
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BROTHER OF SUBJECT WAS IN ST. LOUIS, DECEMBER SIXTYSEVEN, WITH JERRY RAY, WHO WAS INTERVIEWED BY CHICAGO DIV., FEG. SEVEN, LAST, IS REPORTEDLY NOW IN THE VICINITY OF CHICAGO, WHOSE EXACT LOCATION SHOULD BE KNOWN BY JERRY RAY.

ST. LOUIS WILL LOCATE AND INTERVIEW SUBJECT'S FATHER, JERRY RAY AT HANNIBAL, MO.

SPRINGFIELD AT QUINCY, ILL., WILL IDENTIFY AND THEREAFTER LOCATE AND INTERVIEW MELBA RAY. DURING INTERVIEW OF MELBA RAY, ASCERTAIN LOCATION OF SUSIE RAY AND TAKE NECESSARY ACTION TO EFFECT HER INTERVIEW.

CHICAGO, AT NORTH BROOK, ILL., WILL REINTERVIEW JERRY RAY FOR ADDITIONAL BACKGROUND INFO RE SUBJECT AND ASCERTAIN CURRENT LOCATION OF JACK RAY AND TAKE NECESSARY ACTION TO INSURE JACK RAY IS INTERVIEWED.

ALL OFFICES IN MAKING ABOVE INQUIRIES BE ALERT TO POSSIBILITY OF SUBJECT'S PRESENCE WITH ANY OF THESE RELATIVES.

RECEIVING OFFICES REFER TO UFAP - ROBBERY CASE, KANSAS CITY ORIGIN, CAPTIONED JAMES EARL RAY, AKA - FUGITIVE.

SUBJECT ARMED AND EXTREMELY DANGEROUS.

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FBI BIRMGHAM

635PM URGENT 4-20-68 HEP

TO DIRECTOR, NEW YORK, MEMPHIS

FROM BIRMINGHAM (44-1740) 1P

MURKIN

RE NEW YORK TELCALL AND TELETYPE THIS DATE.

MRS. JEAN VERNON, ONE FIVE FIVE SIX BESSEMER HIGHWAY,
BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA, IDENTIFIED AS SISTER OF MRS. DORIS CRAWFORD,
ONE FIVE FOUR FIVE MARTIN STREET, BIRMINGHAM, AND AS EX-WIFE OF
JAMES PITTSFORD LAY, REPEAT LAY. LAY IS WM, DOB [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] FAIRFIELD, ALABAMA, AND IS EMPLOYED AS MERCHANT
MARINE ELECTRICIAN BY LYKES BROTHERS SHIPPING CONCERN. HE
PRESENTLY RESIDES WITH FOURTH WIFE AT FIVE FIVE TWO OSCELO CIRCLE,
FAIRFIELD. PHOTOS OF LAY AS FURNISHED BY VERNON NOT SIMILAR TO
SUBJECT JAMES EARL RAY.

EFFORTS TO LOCATE LAY TODAY NEGATIVE. LAY WILL BE CONTACTED
AND INTERVIEWED WHEN AVAILABLE.

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Date: 4-20-68

Transmit the following in PLAIN TEXT
(Type in plaintext or code)Via TELETYPE URGENT
(Priority)

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

MURKIN

RE NEW YORK TELCALL AND TELETYPE THIS DATE.

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FAIRFIELD. PHOTOS OF LAY AS FURNISHED BY VERNON NOT SIMILAR TO
SUBJECT JAMES EARL RAY.

EFFORTS TO LOCATE LAY TODAY NEGATIVE. LAY WILL BE CONTACTED
AND INTERVIEWED WHEN AVAILABLE.

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Special Agent in Charge

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Date: 4/16/68

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(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, TAMPA (157-3231)

MURKIN

Re Tampa teletype to Director dated 4/15/68 and report of SA RICHARD K. HARPER dated 7/5/67 at Tampa entitled, "BERNARD CLINTON LWEIS, ET AL".

RE DONALD EUGENE SPARKS, FBI # 71618A

On 4/16/68, WILLIAM KENNETH KNIGHT, FBI #2557953 furnished the following information to Special Agent RICHARD K. HARPER at the Tampa City Jail where he is presently incarcerated.

KNIGHT advised that after thinking about the MARTIN LUTHER KING assassination he learned the following which he thought he should relate.

He advised the armed robbery of SHELBY JACKSON at Baton Rouge, Louisiana on June 5, 1966 about which KNIGHT furnished information to SA RICHARD K. HARPER which is contained in referenced report. The following incident took place while travelling toward Memphis, Tennessee along with DONALD EUGENE SPARKS, and HERMIT EUGENE WING FBI # 377580B.

3-Bureau
②-Birmingham
2-Memphis
2-Oklahoma City
2-Tampa (157-3231)
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KNIGHT advised that they were listening to the car radio and the news of the shooting of MEDGAR EVANS was broadcast and the three of them were trying to figure out a route to Memphis which would bypass possible road blocks. During the conversation which took place KNIGHT recalled SPARKS and WING discussing the fact that SPARKS had been offered a \$10,000. payment to kill MARTIN LUTHER KING. They did not elaborate on this other than to indicate that when both were in the state penitentiary at McAlester, Oklahoma, some "agents" had come to interview SPARKS concerning this alleged offer and payment and that he had "run them off" meaning that he had refused to talk to the agents about the matter.

KNIGHT was quizzed thoroughly concerning this incident and advised that it was not discussed further, nor would SPARKS mention who had approached him with the offer.

KNIGHT stated that SPARKS is perfectly capable of committing a murder and is a known hater of Negroes. According to KNIGHT, SPARKS is not known to make jokes and it was believable to KNIGHT that an actual offer was made to SPARKS by someone.

For the information of offices receiving, DONALD EUGENE SPARKS is presently incarcerated at Fort Payne, Alabama and has been incarcerated during the period of the MARTIN LUTHER KING murder which would definitely eliminate SPARKS as a suspect.

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Furthermore, Tampa is not in a position to elaborate this information and it is requested that:

OKLAHOMA CITY DIVISION

AT OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA & McALESTER, OKLAHOMA

Review files for any pertinent details regarding "agents" attempting to interview SPARKS concerning alleged offer to kill MARTIN LUTHER KING.

For the information of Oklahoma City, Tampa files reflect SPARKS incarcerated at McAlester, Oklahoma from 3/9/65 - 5/10/68 under penitentiary #71755. Oklahoma should advise the Bureau, Memphis and Birmingham of any pertinent information in this regard.

BIRMINGHAM DIVISION

AT FORT PAYNE, ALABAMA

May desire to interview DONALD EUGENE SPARKS concerning this matter upon receipt of background information from Oklahoma.

4-17-68

Airtel

**To: SAC's, Springfield (44-561)
Memphis (44-1987)**

From: Director, FBI (44-38861)

MURKIN

Re Springfield airtel 4-15-68, submitting major case prints of Allen Richard Tayer.

The remaining unidentified latent prints in this case are not identical with the finger or palm prints of Tayer.

The prints of Tayer are being temporarily retained in the Latent Fingerprint Section of the Identification Division.

① - Birmingham (44-1740)

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To: SAC's, Birmingham (44-1740)
Memphis (44-1987)

✓ From: Director, FBI (44-38861)

MURKIN

Re Birmingham airtel 4/16/68, submitting a
bank draft in the amount of \$337.24, payable to Superior Bulk
Film Company.

No latent impressions of value developed on the
bank draft, which is being temporarily retained in Latent Fingerprint
Section.

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Airtel

**To: SAC's Mobile (157-2627)
Memphis (44-1987)**

From: Director, FBI (44-38861)

MURKIN

Re Mobile airtel 4-15-68.

The remaining unidentified latent fingerprints and the latent impressions in this case are not identical with the fingerprints of Moah Jefferson Carden, FBI #812741E. No palm prints are available in our Identification Division files for Carden.

1 - Birmingham (44-1748)

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AIRTEL

TO: DIRECTOR, SAC MEMPHIS AND
SAC, BIRMINGHAM

FROM: SAC, CINCINNATI (157-1893)

SUBJECT: MURKIN
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Re Sacramento teletype to Bureau, 4/10/68.

Suspect CHRISTOPHER A. DE CHILLI.

Enclosed for Memphis and Birmingham are 1
copy each of photo of CHRISTOPHER ANDREW DE CHILLI.

2 - Bureau
2 - Memphis (Enc. 1)
2 - Birmingham (Enc. 1)
2 - Cincinnati (1 - 157-1893)
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AIRTEL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (44-1609)

SUBJECT: MURKIN
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Re Kairtel to the Bureau, dated 4/15/68.

Re DONALD CAMERON GAULT.

TOM LARRETT, Assistant Office Manager, Continental Assurance, 76 William Street, NYC, advised that his company records confirm that DONALD CAMERON GAULT was present at work at Garden City, Long Island, New York, on 4/4/68.

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3-Bureau
①-Birmingham (INFO)
1-St. Louis (INFO)
1-Memphis (INFO)
1-Miami (INFO)
1-Newark (INFO)
1-Philadelphia (INFO)
1-New York

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AIRTEL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
ATTENTION: FBI LABORATORY
LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION

FROM: SAC, MIAMI (44-1854) (P)

SUBJECT: MURKIN
CR

Re Bureau airtel to Miami dated 4/15/68.

Referenced airtel states that one latent fingerprint on Q126 is identical with a finger impression of SA DANIEL NIEL JELLISON of the Miami Office.

Enclosed for elimination purposes are a set of palm prints taken from SA DAVID N. JELLISON of the Miami Division and a set of fingerprints and palm prints taken from KATHRYN HOBSON, Pittsburgh Plate Glass Company, Miami, Florida.

HOBSON advised that she has no idea how many other persons may have handled Q126 since the package came through a regular delivery service.

4 - Bureau (Enc. 5) (RM)
1 - Cleveland (Info) (RM)
1 - Memphis (Info) (RM)
① - Birmingham (Info) (RM)
1 - Miami
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AIRMAIL

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
FROM : SAC, MILWAUKEE (44-388) (P)
SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re New York teletype, 4/16 last, regarding
bartending schools.

On 4/17/68, KAREN BEUCE, Bartenders School of
Milwaukee, 7158 West Fond du Lac Avenue, advised that
a review of her records since the inception of said School
indicates no information concerning JOHN WILLARD, HARVEY
LOWMEYER, LOWMYER, ERIC STARVO GALT or GAULT.

1 - Bureau (44-38861) (AM-EM)
1 - Birmingham (AM-EM)
1 - Memphis (AM-EM)
2 - Milwaukee (44-388)
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AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

TO: Director, FBI (44-38861)
FROM: SAC, Sacramento (100-427) (P)
SUBJECT: MURKIN
CR


Re San Francisco airtel to Bureau, 4/9/68.

RE: GEORGE EDWARD MURRAY, who commented when leaving Oakland, California, few months ago, that he was going to Chicago to "shoot a nigger."

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau, Birmingham, Chicago, Memphis, and San Francisco, is one photograph each of GEORGE EDWARD MURRAY, as requested in referenced airtel, which photograph was received from CII, April 17, 1968.

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②-Birmingham (Enc. 1)
2-Chicago (Enc. 1)
2-Memphis (44-1987)(Enc. 1)
2-San Francisco (173-65)(Enc. 1)
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A D M I N I S T R A T I V E

The following investigation was conducted telephonically by Special Agent DAN O. STEPHENS at Montgomery, Alabama, on April 11, 1968:

LUCILLE CORNISH, Unemployment Compensation Benefits Division, Alabama Department of Industrial Relations, advised as follows:

They have no central name file on individuals. Their files are indexed according to Social Security Numbers. Without a number a persons record cannot be located unless the identity of his employer is known. If the latter is known, the individuals name can be checked against the employers records. If neither are known, the record for an individual cannot be located.

She was unable to locate a record for INEZ C. GALT, Social Security Number

JO ANN FARMER, Workman's Compensation Benefits Division, Alabama Department of Industrial Relations, advised that she was unable to locate a record under the name ERIC STARVO GALT for years 1966, 1967, and 1968.

JAMES M. BRADSHAW, Chief, Income Tax Division, Alabama Department of Revenue, advised that he was unable to locate a record indicating that GALT filed an income tax return for years 1966 and 1967. He stated that he has no means for determining if this individual has had income tax deducted for these years.

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Date: 4/17/68

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(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL
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TO: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)

FROM: SAC, MOBILE (157-2627) (P)

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Reference is made to Birmingham teletype, 4/11/68, requesting that State Compensation agencies be contacted in an effort to identify payment to GALT.

Enclosed herewith for Memphis are 25 copies of an insert reflecting investigation at Montgomery, Ala., 4/11/68. Two copies are being furnished to Birmingham for their information. This insert is marked Administrative as the sources furnishing information that the indicated records could be checked have to be treated as confidential. It is noted that these sources report that no record of compensation to GALT could be located without a Social Security Number.

A check of the State of Alabama Income Tax records was negative and is also included in this Administrative insert.

2 - Memphis (Enc. 25)
② - Birmingham (Enc. 2)
2 - Mobile
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Special Agent in Charge

MO 157-2627

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RE: Alabama Drivers license
[REDACTED] held by PETER N. CHERPES,
Birmingham, Alabama

The following investigation was conducted telephonically by Special Agent DAN O. STEPHENS at Montgomery, Alabama, on April 10, 1968:

Mrs. GERTRUDE KING, Drivers License Division, Alabama Department of Public Safety, advised as follows:

License number [REDACTED] is held by PETER N. CHERPES, 933 19th Street, South, Birmingham, Alabama. It is a current license, issued April 28, 1966, and will expire April 28, 1968. The renewal has been mailed to CHERPES at same address. CHERPES has held a license in Birmingham since 1929, and at that time was described as a white male, born [REDACTED] 5'10", 185 pounds, blue eyes and brown hair. He has resided at the same address since 1962. His file indicates that he resided at Chicago, Illinois prior to Birmingham.

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AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

TO: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)

FROM: SAC, MOBILE (157-2627) (P)

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Mobile airtel to the Bureau, 4/14/68,
sending to the Bureau and Memphis
FD-302s concerning the issuance of
1968 Alabama automobile license [REDACTED]
and issuance of Alabama drivers license
to ERIC STARVO GALT.

Enclosed herewith for the Memphis Division are
25 copies of an insert reflecting identification of
Alabama drivers license [REDACTED] held by PETER N. CHERPES,
Birmingham, Alabama. Two copies of this insert are being
furnished to the Birmingham Division for their information.

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2 - Birmingham (Enc. 2) *filed*
2 - Mobile
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RE: WILLIAM MADISON LEONARD
Former Inmate, Draper
Prison, Elmore, Alabama

ALTON LEWIS ABSTON, a prisoner in Los Angeles County Jail, Los Angeles, California, on April 13, 1968, advised that in 1957 or 1958, he was a cellmate in Draper Prison, Elmore, Alabama, with one WILLIAM LENNARD or WILLIAM LENNORD. He said that the profile photograph of the suspected killer of MARTIN LUTHER KING which appeared in the Los Angeles Times newspaper fits LENNARD "to a 'T'." He said that LENNARD had been in prison on a murder charge in Alabama for shooting a Negro. He described LENNARD as a white male, 35 - 36, 5'11" to 6', 175 to 180 pounds, brownish-red hair, home address, Birmingham, Alabama.

The following investigation was conducted on April 15, 1968, by Special Agent SPENCER H. ROBB:

On April 15, 1968, M. S. DEAN, Identification Officer, Alabama Board of Corrections, Montgomery, Alabama, made available his file on WILLIAM MADISON LEONARD, JR., Number 78492, which he stated was only former convict of this name or similar name he could locate in his files. He also made available a photograph of LEONARD made in 1965.

A review of this file reflected the following background data:

Race
Sex
Date of Birth
Place of Birth

Height
Weight
Build
Eyes
Hair
Complexion
Marks

White
Male

Jefferson County,
Alabama

5'11" (1965)
180 pounds (1965)
Heavy

Blue
Brown, balding (1965)
Ruddy

Mole, left side of

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Father	WILLIAM MADISON LEONARD, SR., 2901 Briarcliff Road, Hueytown, Alabama (1965)
Wife	CAROL MOORE LEONARD, 404 Government Street, Wetumpka, Alabama (1965)
Mother-in-law	GLADYS PILGRIM, 404 Government Street, Wetumpka, Alabama (1965)
Occupation	Steelworker, gunsmith
Service, Military	U. S. Army, January 1951 to December 1952, honorable discharge, Serial Number [REDACTED]
FBI Number	923 009B

The file reflects LEONARD was convicted of first degree murder in Jefferson County, Alabama, and sentenced to ten years imprisonment. The offense report reflects LEONARD and two other men were reportedly forced off road in their car by three Negroes in another car. LEONARD then drove alongside the Negroes' car and fired a .32 automatic into the driver's side; this car then stopped, and LEONARD shot and killed one of the Negroes who he allegedly thought was reaching for a gun.

The file reflects LEONARD was paroled on July 13, 1959, revoked March 11, 1960, paroled February 10, 1964, revoked March 16, 1965, and was discharged November 10, 1965. He had a record of escape and several disciplinary actions while in prison.

He served at Draper Prison during the early part of his confinement in 1956 and 1957.

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AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

TO: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)
FROM: SAC, MOBILE (157-2627) (P)
SUBJECT: MURKIN
CR
(OO: Memphis)

Re Los Angeles teletype 4/13/68.

Enclosed for Memphis are 25 copies of insert reflecting background data on WILLIAM MADISON LEONARD, JR., a former convict in Alabama, and one photograph of LEONARD. Two copies of the insert and one photograph are enclosed for Birmingham.

For information of Birmingham, the Bureau advised by airtel dated 4/15/68 to Los Angeles, Memphis and Mobile, that latent prints, this case, are not identical with the fingerprints of WILLIAM MADISON LEONARD, white male, born [redacted] Birmingham, Ala., FBI Number 923 009B, who may or may not be suspect named.

- 2 - Memphis (Encl. 26)
2 - Birmingham (44-1740) (Encl. 3) *Red*
2 - Mobile

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REPORT
of theFEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: FBI, Miami (44-1854)

Date: April 17, 1968

Re: MURKIN
CR

FBI File No. 44-38861

Lab. No. D-560661 IH

Specimens received 4/12/68

Q124 A piece of brown wrapping paper containing a label bearing the number 777, a Garber shipping slip containing the number 52360, a three inch slip of paper ripped from the shipping slip, and a piece of cellophane tape.

Q125 A piece of brown wrapping paper with a label attached bearing the number 6829

Q126 A cardboard box, postmarked 4/5/68

Result of examination:

The hand printing appearing on the slip of paper comprising a portion of Q124 was searched in the Anonymous Letter File without effecting an identification. Appropriate photographs have been added to this file for future reference.

The cellophane tape comprising a portion of Q124 is of common $\frac{1}{2}$ inch-wide variety, the ends of which appear to have been torn or cut unevenly.

Due to the limited nature of the questioned hand printing on Q124 and because of unexplained variations, a definite conclusion could not be reached whether the hand printing on Q124 is identical to the hand printing appearing on documents attributable to Eric S. Galt, submitted in this case. A number of significant differences were noted indicating

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this questioned hand printing may not have been prepared by the writer of the hand printing on documents attributable to Galt.

Q124 through Q126 are temporarily retained.
Appropriate photographs of Q124 and Q125 only have been made.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: FBI, Miami (44-1854)

Date: April 17, 1968

Re: MURKIN
CR
OO: Memphis


John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No. 44-38861
Lab. No. D-560661 IH

Examination requested by: Miami
Reference: Airtel 4/11/68
Examination requested: Document - Fingerprint
Remarks:

A separate report is being furnished on the latent fingerprint examination of Q124 through Q126 and the disposition of this material.

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2 - Memphis (44-1987) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

2 - Birmingham (44-1740) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

1 - Cleveland Enclosure (Lab report)

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WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: FBI, Chicago (44-1114)

Date: April 18, 1968

FBI File No. 44-38861

Re: MURKIN

Lab. No. D-560921 ET

Specimens received 4/16/68

K62 One Prinz Air Release in sealed carton

Result of examination:

Specimen K62 is, in all respects, like specimen Q119.

Specimen K62 is returned herewith. No photographs have been retained.

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WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: FBI, Chicago (44-1114)

Date: April 18, 1968

Re: MURKIN

J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No. 44-38861
Lab. No. D-560921 ET

Examination requested by: Chicago
Reference: Airtel 4/15/68
Examination requested: Document
Remarks:

Enclosures (3) (K62, 2 Lab report)

- 2 - Memphis Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)
- 1 - Los Angeles (44-1574) Enclosure (Lab report)
- ① - Birmingham Enclosure (Lab report)
- 1 - Atlanta Enclosure (Lab report)

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REPORT
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WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

Date: April 19, 1968

Re: MURKIN
CR

FBI File No. 44-38861

Lab. No. D-560923 JK
D-560945 JK

Specimens received 4/17/68, from FBI, Los Angeles

- Q216 Bank of America money order #0799 18037, payable to "Locksmithing Institute," signed as purchaser "Eric S. Galt"
- Q217 Bank of America money order #0799 18288, payable to "Free Press, Newspapers," signed as purchaser "Eric Galt"
- Q218 Bank of America money order #0799 18289, payable to "M. Hedgpeth," signed as purchaser "Eric Galt"
- Q219 Bank of America money order #0799 17281, payable to "Locksmithing Institute, Little Falls, N.J.," signed as purchaser "Eric S. Galt"
- Q220 Bank of America money order #0799 19430, payable to "Futura Books," signed as purchaser "Eric S. Galt"
- Q221 Bank of America money order #0799 19701, payable to "Locksmithing Institute," signed as purchaser "Eric S. Galt"
- Q222 Bank of America money order #0799 19702, payable to "Tiffany Enterprises," signed as purchaser "Eric S. Galt"
- Q223 Bank of America money order #0799 19704, payable to "Locksmith Ledger," signed as purchaser "Eric S. Galt"
- Q224 Bank of America money order #0799 19703, payable to "Tiffany Enterprises," signed as purchaser "Eric S. Galt"

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Q225 Sheet of paper bearing typewritten message beginning "Dear Sir, Inclosed is..." signed "Eric S. Galt"

Q225 Post Office Department Application For Delivery of Mail Through Agent, Form 1583, signed "Eric S. Galt"

Result of examination:

It was concluded that the "Eric S. Galt" and the "Eric Galt" signatures on Q216 through Q221, Q223 and Q224 were prepared by the writer of the signatures in this name appearing on specimens previously received. The signatures on Q222 are too distorted for identification with these previous signatures but similarities were noted.

Because of the lack of comparable writings and variations, it could not be determined whether the other writings appearing on Q216 through Q224 were prepared by the writer of the available writings which are attributable to Galt, however, similarities were noted between the payee names on money orders and the "Galt" writings.

Because of the lack of comparable letters and letter combinations necessary for an adequate comparison, it could not be determined whether the "Harvey Lowmyer" signature on the Q72 gun invoice was prepared by the writer of the money orders, Q216 through Q224, and other writings attributed to Galt.

It was concluded that the questioned signatures on Q225 and Q226 were prepared by the writer of the "Galt" signatures on other specimens previously submitted.

The typewritten impressions appearing on Q225 are the same style as those appearing on other items believed emanating from Galt, but the lack of identifying defects precludes a determination that the same typewriter was used to prepared all of these items.

The submitted specimens are temporarily retained. Photographs were made.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

Date: April 19, 1968

Re: MURKIN
CR
OO: Memphis

J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No. 44-38861
Lab. No. D-560923 JK
D-560945 JK

Examination requested by: Los Angeles

Reference: Airtel, 4/16/68
Letter, 4/16/68

Examination requested: Document - Fingerprint

Remarks:

You will be advised separately regarding the results of the fingerprint examination and disposition of Q216 through Q226.

This report confirms and supplements Bureau teletype to Los Angeles, Memphis and Birmingham dated 4/17/68.

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2 - Atlanta (44-2386) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

2 - Los Angeles (44-1574) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

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WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

Date: April 19, 1968

Re: MURKIN
CR

FBI File No. 44-38861

Lab. No. D-560877 JK

Specimens received 4/16/68

Q214 Piece of newspaper bearing the handwritten notation
"Galt 1052 N side Dr 876-9770"

Result of examination:

It was concluded that the questioned writings appearing on Q214 were not prepared by the writer of the material previously received and attributable to Eric S. Galt.

Q214 has been retained. Photographs were made.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

Date: April 19, 1968

Re: MURKIN
CR
OO: Memphis

J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No. 44-38861
Lab. No. D-560877 JK

Examination requested by: Atlanta

Reference: Letter 4/15/68

Examination requested: Document - Fingerprint

Remarks:

You will be advised separately regarding the results of the fingerprint examination. This report supplements and confirms the Bureau teletype to Memphis dated 4/16/68.

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Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

2 - Atlanta (44-2386) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

① - Birmingham (44-1740) Enclosure (Lab report)

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

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

DATE: 4/19/68

FROM : SA C. B. STANBERRY

SUBJECT: MURKIN
CR
OO: MEMPHIS

At approximately 10:45 A.M., 4/19/68, a man called from the Veterans Administration and said that he wanted to talk to an FBI Agent. He said that he has seen the artist's sketch and photograph of GALT, and he believes he has some information we would be interested in. He refused to give his name and refused to discuss the matter further on the telephone. He said he is in the Veterans Administration Hospital because of a slight heart attack which occurred about ten days ago, and that he is well enough to talk to an Agent and would like to do so. He was assured that we appreciated him calling and offering his assistance. He said he would discuss the matter over the telephone, except for the fact that he had to use a phone where everyone walking up and down the aisles could listen to him. He said that he is in Room 89 on the Fifth Floor North of the Veterans Administration Hospital, and that he is the only occupant in this room.

He was advised he would be contacted about this matter.

CBS:cap
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*Schwein & Martin Jones
advised to handle memo dated*

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[Signature]



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

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

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

DATE: 4/19/68

FROM : SA JOHN F. JANSEN

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re FD-71 dated 4/13/68, Birmingham (serial 522).

On 4/15/68, Mr. GEORGE STROTHER, Manager, Tubbs Drugs, 731 - 20th Street South, Birmingham, advised that Mrs. ROSA HENRY left Friday, 4/12/68, for a vacation somewhere out of the state. He stated he was not aware of where Mrs. HENRY was vacationing but that she was to return around 5/1/68.

Attempt was made to contact Mrs. HENRY at the Dulton Apartments, 2030 - 11th Avenue South, Apt. 6-F, on three occasions; with negative results. Attempts to contact neighbors of Mrs. HENRY on the 6th floor of the Dulton Apartments also met with negative results. It is noted there is no manager or assistant manager in residence at the Dulton Apartments, 2030 - 11th Avenue, South.

On 4/15/68, Mr. RAY W. ATKINS, McConnell-White-Terry Realty Company, 218 No. 21st Street, Birmingham, advised that Mrs. HENRY did not leave word with the Realty Company that she was going on vacation. ATKINS stated his file indicates that Mrs. HENRY resided at the Dulton Apts. from March 1, 1964, to February 28, 1965, and from March 1, 1967, to the present. ATKINS stated he handles all rentals on the Dulton Apartments and that he does not know Mrs. ATKINS' personally.

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JFJ



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

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AIRTEL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM: SAC, WFO (44-703) (P)

MURKIN-CR

Enclosed for Memphis and Birmingham two copies each of photographs of JOHN ALAN FEDUCCIA.

On 4/15/68, ALFONSO GUARDIA MORA, PSI (protect identity, reliable in the past) advised SA JAMES F. PRICE that one JOHN ALAN FEDUCCIA applied for a Costa Rican visa on 4/11/68. Upon reviewing FEDUCCIA's visa application and U.S. Passport photo GUARDIA felt there was a strong resemblance between FEDUCCIA's photo and the composite drawing of the unknown male wanted for the murder of Reverend MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. GUARDIA advised that FEDUCCIA had not applied at the Costa Rican Embassy with his visa application, but had sent his application by messenger. GUARDIA indicated FEDUCCIA held U.S. Passport J367686. Costa Rican visa number 070 was issued to FEDUCCIA on 4/11/68. His application reflected that he had been issued Guatemalan visa number 603, on 4/9/68.

- 3 - Bureau
- 2 - Memphis (44-1987) (Enc. 2)
- ② - Birmingham (44-1740) (Enc. 2)
- 1 - Detroit (44-989) (INFO)
- 1 - Jackson (INFO)
- 1 - WFO (44-703)

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GUARDIA further advised that FERRUCCIA's application was accompanied by a visa application for CHARLES FREDERIC WALKER, U.S. Passport Number [REDACTED]. Both FERRUCCIA and WALKER were connected with the University of Michigan.

On 4/16/68, SA ROBERT P. LYNCH reviewed records of the Passport Office, United States Department of State (USDS), which revealed that JOHN ALAN FERRUCCIA, born [REDACTED] at Mobile, Alabama, was issued Passport Number [REDACTED] at WDC on 3/22/68. This passport was valid for three years travel to all countries except Cuba, mainland China, North Korea and North Vietnam. In application dated 3/14/68, FERRUCCIA furnished his permanent residence as Museum of Zoology, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan 48104. His parents were listed as JOSEPH CHARLES FERRUCCIA, born Baltimore, Maryland, [REDACTED] and MARY EMILY GARRAWAY, born Laurel, Mississippi, [REDACTED]. Person to be notified in event of death or accident was listed as his father at Pearmen Avenue, Cleveland, Mississippi. It was indicated that FERRUCCIA planned to travel to Mexico, Guatemala, El Salvador, Honduras, Costa Rica and Nicaragua for scientific research, departing New Orleans in April, 1968, for four months stay.

FERRUCCIA was described as five feet eleven inches tall, brown hair, brown eyes, student and never married.

FERRUCCIA had previously been issued Passport Number [REDACTED] on 7/26/62, at WDC for proposed travel to Honduras for purpose of "scientific expedition for L.S.U." His permanent address at that time was Memorial Drive, Cleveland, Mississippi.

On 4/16/68, SA LYNCH reviewed the files of the Passport Office, USDS concerning CHARLES FREDERIC WALKER, born 12/27/64, at Columbus, Ohio, was issued passport number [REDACTED] on 4/10/65, at WDC. Passport application dated 4/6/65, at Ann Arbor, Michigan, indicates his permanent address as 1281 Island Drive, Ann Arbor, Michigan and his mailing address as Museum Building, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan. His parents were listed as FREDERICK

WFO 44-703

CHARLES WALKER, born 1/9/1871, at Dresden, Ohio, and MARY LYMAN HARRINGTON, born [redacted] at Columbus, Ohio. He was described as five feet ten inches tall, gray/brown hair, gray eyes, never married and a professor.

The above passport was renewed on 3/21/68, making it valid until 4/9/69.

LEADS

MEMPHIS

AT MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE. Will exhibit photos of JOHN ALAN FEDUCCIA to appropriate witnesses and if he is identified as the unknown subject of this case, conduct appropriate investigation.

BIRMINGHAM

AT BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA. Will exhibit photos of JOHN ALAN FEDUCCIA to appropriate witnesses and if he is identified as the unknown subject of this case, conduct appropriate investigation.

Information copies of this communication being forwarded to Detroit and Jackson in the event those offices are requested to conduct investigations in the future.

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PLAINTEXT

TELETYPE

URGENT

TO: DIRECTOR (44-38861) and SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)
FROM: SAC, BUFFALO (44-374)

MURKIN

RE CHICAGO TEL APRIL SEVENTEEN LAST RE JAMES DONALD GALT.

RECORDS INS, BUFFALO, N.Y., SHOW JAMES DONALD GALT BORN

[REDACTED] NAPANEE, ONTARIO, CANADA;

WHITE MALE; FIVE FEET NINE INCHES; ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY LBS.;
BROWN HAIR AND GRAY EYES; MOLE UNDER RIGHT EYE; SCAR BACK
OF RIGHT HAND; TATTOO UPPER FOREARM, RIGHT SIDE, OF SAILING
SHIP; TATTOO LEFT FOREARM OF FLOWER WITH SCROLL BEARING NAME
"ROSE"; BUILD HEAVY; SERVICE, CANADIAN ARMY AUGUST, NINETEEN
FIFTYONE TO FEBRUARY, NINETEEN FIFTYTHREE.

FILE SHOWS FOLLOWING RELATIVES: FATHER, MORLEY
ANDREW GALT, TWO THREE TWO BROCK ST., KINGSTON, ONT., CAN.;
MOTHER, MOLLY HAGGERTY GALT; SISTERS, GLADYS HENRY; NANCY
WATTS, AND ELIZABETH FUNNEL, ALL OF KINGSTON. BROTHERS,
MORLEY, HUGH, MALCOLM, AND JACK GALT, ALL LIVING IN CANADA.

① - Birmingham (44-1740) (AM)
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JAMES GALT HAS FBI NO. ONE SEVEN TWO FIVE ZERO ONE C,
METROPOLITAN TORONTO PD NO. TWO SIX FIVE FOUR DASH FIVE NINE.
HE HAS CONVICTION IN TORONTO IN NINETEEN FIFTYNINE FOR GROSS
INDECENCY FOR WHICH HE RECEIVED ONE YEAR SUSPENDED SENTENCE
AND ONE YEAR PROBATION. LAST RESIDENCE IN TORONTO. LAST
DEPORTED TO CANADA FROM SEATTLE, WASH., MARCH NINE NINETEEN
FIFTYSIX.

NAME ERIC GALT DOES NOT APPEAR IN INS FILE.

PHOTOGRAPH OF GALT BEING FORWARDED MEMPHIS UAC. NO
FURTHER INQUIRIES BEING MADE RE JAMES GALT.

ERIC STARVO GALT ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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4/19/68

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TELETYPE

URGENT

TO: SAC, SACRAMENTO

FROM: SAC, ATLANTA

MURKIN.

RE SACRAMENTO TELETYPE, APRIL NINETEEN LAST.

TIRE WITH IMPRINT SIX ZERO ONE IS TIRE MARKED WITH SERIAL
NUMBER TWO ZERO FOUR TWO SEVEN THREE SEVEN TWO.

AIRMAIL COPIES TO MEMPHIS AND BIRMINGHAM.

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- 1 - Memphis (AM)
 - ① - Birmingham (AM)
 - 1 - 44-2386
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AIRTEL

AIR MAIL

TO: BIRMINGHAM, FBI (44-38861)
ATTENTION: IDENTIFICATION DIVISION
LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION

FROM: SAC, BUFFALO (44-374) (P)

MURKIN
(OO: Memphis)

Re Chicago tel, 4/17/68; and Buffalo tel, 4/18/68,
re JAMES DONALD GALT, FBI No. 17 25 01 G, furnished by INS,
Buffalo, New York. This photograph is almost nine years
old.

The Latent Fingerprint Section is requested to
compare fingerprints of JAMES DONALD GALT, FBI No. 17 25
01 G, with latents in captioned case.

ERIC STARVO GALT ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

- 3 - Bureau (AM)
- ① - Birmingham (44-1740) (Info) (AM)
- 2 - Memphis (Encs. 1) (44-1987) (AM)
- 1 - Buffalo

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AIRTEL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM: SAC, WFO (44-703) (P)

MURKIN - CR

Re WFO telephone call to Richmond (SA JESSE C. HALL, Alexandria VA) 4/18/68.

On 4/17/68, Mrs. JEROME POLANA, 2413 North Utah Street, Arlington, Virginia, telephone 527-4032, telephonically advised the Washington Field Office that her husband had immediately recognized the artist sketch of the unknown subject in the murder of MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. as a former college schoolmate. A review of school yearbooks revealed the girl this individual married.

Mrs. POLANA suggested that her husband be contacted for further details. He can be reached at their residence during the day and is employed at Billy's Restaurant, 1025 Vermont Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C., as a waiter between 3:30 p.m. and 2:00 a.m.

Richmond contact JEROME POLANA at his residence.

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- 3 - Bureau
- 2 - Memphis (44-1987)
- ① - Birmingham (44-1740) (Info)
- 2 - Richmond (44-651)
- 1 - WFO

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Date: 4-18-68

Transmit the following in PLAINTEXT
(Type in plaintext or code)Via TELETYPE URGENT
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI AND SAC, MEMPHIS

FROM: SAC, SPRINGFIELD (44-561) (P 2)

MURKIN, CR.

RE SPRINGFIELD TELETYPE TO BUREAU APRIL TWELVE LAST AND
WFO TELETYPE TO BUREAU APRIL SEVENTEEN LAST.

KENNETH NEWBLE, ONE EIGHT ONE SEVEN N. NORTH STREET,
PEORIA, ILLINOIS, VIEWED THIS DATE A COMPOSITE PHOTOGRAPH
OF ERIC STARVO GALT. HE ADVISED THIS INDIVIDUAL IS DEFINITELY
NOT THE CREWMAN WHICH HE HAD REFERENCE TO ABOARD THE SS HUDSON
DECEMBER, NINETEEN SIXTYONE TO FEBRUARY, NINETEEN SIXTYTWO. HE
ADVISED THERE IS DISTINCT DIFFERENCES IN THE HAIR AND FACIAL
FEATURES. NEWBLE IS OF THE OPINION HE KNEW THE CREWMAN AS
RICHARD GALT AND CANNOT OFFER EXPLANATIONS OR SUGGESTIONS AS
TO WHICH CREWMAN HE MAY HAVE REFERENCE TO. HE ADVISED HE
RECALLS RICHARD SANTAMOUR, ALSO A CREWMAN, WHO IS DEFINITELY
NOT IDENTICAL WITH THE INDIVIDUAL HE HAD REFERENCE TO. BASED
ON NEWBLES STATEMENTS AFTER VIEWING A COMPOSITE PHOTOGRAPH

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