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For the information of San Juan, the following is furnished:

Search of premises believed occupied by UNSUB who assassinated Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING on 4/4/68, disclosed suitcase in which was located tee-shirt and undershorts 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  $\frac{1}{4}$ " wide and 1 1/16" long and bears letters and numbers C2B-6.

Experts at Textile Marking Machine Company advise type on this machine is unusual in that the first two characters are 15 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 15 point type for the first three characters and 18 point type for the last two characters.

Textile Marking Machine experts also stated this machine is defective in that it is producing a tape  $1 \ 1/6$ " long instead of  $1 \ 1/8$ " long and is not projecting the tape far enough resulting in cutting off a portion of the first letter. The code used in the Northeast part of the U. S. is as follows:

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The Bureau has instructed that all textile machines using this type tape be located and machines using this code be identified.

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Quantico. Virginia	

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Freight Terminal Naval Supply Center Oakland, California	SN	32236

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO

SAC, CHARLOTTE (44-1365)

DATE: 4/17/68

FROM :

SA CRAWFORD F. WILLIAMS

SUBJECT:

MURKIN

On April 17, 1968, SA JAMES J. ROCHE, JR., telephonically advised that he had received call from the Henderson, N. C., Police Department on the morning of April 17, 1968, and the police department had advised that a man had checked into the Vance Hotel in Henderson on April 16, 1968, registered under the name D. HOUSTON. It was reported that individual had made statements at the hotel indicating he had some knowledge of the KING assassination. He was invited by the police to the police department, at which time he advised his name was EMIL MATLIK, a white male, born at Highland, PH Wisconsin, 5 feet 10 inches, 165 pounds, short blond hair, peaked nose, blue eyes.

MATLIK informed the police that he had been questioned by the FBI at Baltimore on either 4/6/68 or 4/7/68. He had clippings in his possession indicating he is running for "President of the World."

He stated he desired to talk with the FBI.

On 4/17/68, ASAC CHARLES CHAPMAN, Baltimore Office, was contacted concerning this matter. SA ROLAND SWANSON of the Baltimore Office advised telephonically that MATLIK was interviewed by agents at Baltimore on 4/6/68, concerning the KING ASSASSINATION. MATLIK claimed he was in Washington, D. C., for a month prior to 4/6/68, when he left and went to Baltimore. SA SWANSON stated MATLIK is publicity hungry, is a "kook", and an advocator of sterilization.

In view of the above, SA ROCHE was advised to notify the Henderson Police Department concerning this matter and to make no effort to interview MATLIK at the police department but to have the police tell MATLIK that in the event he wants to talk with the FBI, he should contact the nearest office or an RA.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO

:SAC, CHARLOTTE (44-1365)

DATE: 4/16/68

FROM : SA CHARLES A. MC DOUGAL

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Agents Memo # 139, series 1968.

Per the request of this memo, contacts were made by the writer as set forth below. The names of the individuals contacted nor the specific list of places contacted are not being set forth since all checks were negative.

A review of city directories, and telephone directories was made for the Elizabeth City RA re the names LOWMEYER and GALT. Credit Bureaus covering this territory were reviewed with negative results. In addition, contacts with all Police Departments, Sheriffs Offices, Clerks of Court was made regarting the above names with negative results.

Per Agents Memo # 148, regarding contacts with Dance Studios, a review of the various telephone directories covering the RA territory was made. No dance studios were listed in them. The SAs assigned to the RA have no recollection of seeing any dance studios in the territories covered by them.

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The Bureau has instructed that all textile machines using this type tape be located and machines using this code be identified.

The following is a list of locations of Thermo-seal marking machines by states in alphabetical order made available by Mr. DONALD BROTON, Textile Marking Machine Co., 2204 Erie Blvd. East, Syracuse, N. Y., on 4/7-10/68:

#### CALIFORNIA

Acme French Laundry 802 East Cota Santa Barbara, California

Albert Cleaners 300 East Valley Blvd. . . Alhambra, California

Ambassador Laundry 3504 Main Street San Diego, California

Ambassador Laundry 201 East Haley Santa Barbara, California Serial #32698

Serial #32499

Serial # R 31550, 31531

Serial #31084 Serial #34292 Serial #31397

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Further note, the following are names and addresses with telephone numbers of sales representatives of Textile Marking Machine Company covering the above territories:

DICK BRISTOW
3462 N.W. 13th Ave.
Gainsville, Fla.
Telephone FR2-1290
Covering Florida, Alabama, Georgia, South Carolina
and Southern Mississippi.

JOE COMBS
5232 Devonshire
Oxon Hill, Maryland
Telephone 248-5127
Covering Maryland, Delaware, Pennsylvania,
W. Virginia, Virginia, North Carolina, Eastern
Tennessee and Eastern Kentucky.

FRED WEBER
33 Skylark Lane
Stony Brook, L.I., N.Y.
Telephone 751-2135
Covering Metropolitan New York City, New Jersey,
Connecticut, Rhode Island, Massachusetts, Maine,
New Hampshire, and Vermont.

Upstate New York inquiries should be referred to Textile Marking Machine Co., Syracuse, N.Y., telephone 445-8110.

JACK CODY 2929 Chaucer Drive Sherwood Village North Canton, Chio Telephone 492-5497 Covering Michigan, Indiana, and Ohio.

PETE WUKOVICH
756 Hawthorne Avenue
Elmhurst, Illinois
Telephone BR9-6141
Covering Illinois, Eastern Iowa, Minnesota, and
Wisconsin.

AL DAVIS
18#4 East 48th Street
Kansas City, Missouri
Telephone WA 41312
Covering North Dakota, South Dakota, Nebraska,
Western Iowa, Missouri, Kansas, Oklahoma, Texas,
Arkansas, Louisiana, Northern Mississippi,
Western Tennessee and Western Kentucky.

FRED RAUPAK 18409 Hiawatha Northride, California Telephone EM3-8953 Covering California, Nevada, Utah, Arizona, New Mexico, Colorado, Wyoming, Montana, Idaho, Oregon and Washington.

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The Bureau has been requested to supply to all of the offices covering the above states copies of color photographs of the tapes attached to the garments recovered. The Bureau has advised that this is being done.

THE ABOVE LIST IS ALPHABETICAL BY STATES AND EACH OFFICE IS RESPONSIBLE FOR DETERMINING THE CONTACTS IN ITS OWN AREA. This has been done in the interest of saving time since there are approximately 3,000 machine locations to be accounted for.

#### ALL OFFICES

It is suggested in contacts with above establishments the actual operators of Thermo-Seal machines rather than supervisory personnel be contacted. It is further suggested, on the basis of consultation with Textile Marking Machine Company personnel that the letter "O" in instant tape may have been used rather than a dash for first character. If the code is recognizable by insertion of a dash instead of letter "O", or if the code is recognizable as it appears on instant tape, obtain sample of tape and immediately submit to FBI Laboratory for examination.

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TO:

DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM:

SAC, CINCINNATI (157-1893)

SUBJECT:

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he Albany sirtel to Bureau, 4/11/68.

Re Textile Marking Machine Company, Inc., Syracuse, New York.

Enclosed for the information of the Charlotte Division are 2 copies of pages 1, 2, 55, 56 and 57 of referenced Albany mirtel. These pages contain all instructions for covering leads relative to investigation of laundry mark believed to be theremo-seal type manufactured by the Textile Marking Machine Company.

Also enclosed for Charlotte is 1 copy of color photograph of the tapes attached to the garments recovered in this case.

Page 43 of referenced airtel showed location of theremo - seal marking machine at Crystal Laundry 4141 Montgomery Road, Norwood, Cincinnati, Ohio, machine number SR 31191.

Investigation Cincinnati shows address 4141 Montognery Road is actually location of Bauer Franz Co., Laundry Supplier. Mrs. CHARLES G. FRANZ this address

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2 - Charlotte (Enc. 3)

2 - Memphis (Info)

2 - Cincinnati

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CI 157-1893 advised April 15, 1968, theremo - seal marking machine purchased eight to ten years ago and was sold to Astor Launderers operating at 3912 Reading Road, Cincinnati, Ohio, by JOHN H. LEVIN. FRANZ knows LEVIN left Cincinnati for residence in South Carolina about 1964 but exact address unknown. FRANZ believes LEVIN would know ultimate disposition of textile marking machine. Cincinnati City Directories for 1963 -1964 show JOHN H. LEVIN and spouse, BETTY H. LEVIN, operated Astor Launderers, 3912 Reading Road and resided 741 Redbud Avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio. Records Cincinnati Credit Bureau, Inc., made available by KATHERINE HOOD, Supervisor, on 4/15/68, show JOHN H. LEVIH who formerly operated the Astor Launderers, Cincinnati, Ohio, as of February, 1964 was residing or employed at 3527 Mill Pond Road, Charlotte, North Carolina. Another entry on the record indicates that as of December, 1964, LEVIN was operating the Imperial Draperies Cleaners no location shown but believed to be Charlotte. Credit Records indicate in 1964 JOHN H. LEVIN was in late 30's or early 40's. LEADS: CHARLOTTE: AT CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA Will locate Mr. KOHN H. LEVIN through investigation at 3527 Will Pond Road and through trade style Imperial Draperies Cleaners and determine the ultimate disposition of Textile Marking Machine Number SR 31191 in accordance with intractions set forth on pages d Albany mirtel dated 4/11/68 which are enclosed. 2025 RELEASE UNDER E.O. 14176

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# $\emph{I}emorandum$

TO SAC (44/1365) DATE: 4/16/68

FROM

SA MARK K. GASS, JR.

SUBJECT:

HURKIN

Re Agent's Memes # 139 and 146.

On 4/10/68 and 4/11/68 the following sources were checked and no information could be located identifiable with HARVEY LOWMEYER or LOWMYER or any other similar name:

City Directory, Elizabeth City, N. C.

Credit Dureau of Elizabeth City, N. C.

Clerk of Court, Pergiumans Co., Hertford, N. C.

Glerk of Court, Chowan Co., Edenton, N. C.

Clerk of Court, Gates Co., Gateville, N. C.

Clerk of Court, Camden Co., Camden, N. C.

Clerk of Court, Tyrrell Co., Columbia, N. C.

In addition to the above, the following additional financial institutions were checked BIII re ERIC STARVO GALT with negative results:

Wachovia Bank & Tryst Co., Elizabeth Sity, N. C.

Peoples Bank & Trust Co., Hertford, N. C.

Peoples Bank & Trust Co., Edenton, N. C.

First National Bank, Edenton, N. C. 44-1365-276

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: SAC, CHARLOTTE (44-1635) TO

(Attn: SA C.F.WILLIAMS)

DATE: 4/15/68

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FROM

: SA ANDREW J. PELCZAR

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Ament's memos 139 and 146.

On 4/10/68, the following records were personally checked by SA ANDREW J. PELCZAR with respect to the names ERIC STARVO GALT and HARVEY LOWMEYER, including all variations, with negative results:

HARDED SANDLIN, Clerk, Superior Court, Swain County, Bryson City, N.C.

MARGARET HENSON, Clerk, Superior Court, Jackson County, Sylva, N.C.

A. WENTON PERRY, Clerk, Superior Court, Macon County, Franklin,

In addition, the following individuals advised that each above name is not known to their respective lending institutions:

ODEL M. WILSON, Manager, Northwestern Bank, Bryson City, N.C.

CARL STANFORD, Vice President, 1st Union National Bank, Sylva, N.C.

H. W. CABE, Vice President, Bank of Franklin, Franklin, N.C.

KATE MURDOCA, Clerk, Home Credit Company, Sylva, N.C.

No credit bureau as such, exists in any of the above three counties.

In conclusion, a personal check was made by SA PELSZAR at the Western Carolina Telephone Company in Sylva, N.C., in addition to review of all records of all offices of the Nantahala Power and Light Company with the only indication reference to Mrs. C. ADE GALT, and elderly woman who resides Jon the Cherokee Indian Reservation, Swain County, N.C. 44-136

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# Memorandum

TO

SAC, CHARLOTTE (44-1365)

DATE: 4/16/68

FROM

SA JOHN S SALSBURG

SUBJECT:

MURKIN

On 4/16/68, ANN FOULER, Clinton School of Dance, Clinton, North Carolina alvised she teaches no adult dance classes.

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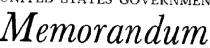
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OPTIONAL FORM NO. 10 MAY 1782 EDITION GSA FPMR 141 CFRI 101-11.6 UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT



: SAC, CHARLOTTE (44-1365) TO

(Attentiom: SA CRAWFORD F. WILLIAMS)

4/15/68

FROM : SA AHDREW J. PELCZAR

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re your memo dated 3/12/68.

On 4/9/68, Mrs R. FISHER, manager, Sylva Cleaners, Sylva, North Carolina, advised that that company utilizes a machine sold by Textile Marking Machine Company, Syracuse, New York. This machine uses tape of approximately twelve colors, one of which red on tape  $\frac{1}{4}$ " wide and 1 1/16" long. Sylva Cleaners uses a code beginning with Roman numeral I or II, to indicate the residence of the customer as Route 1 or Route 2. This is followed by the letter W (to indicate Western North Carolina) or C (used to show that the customer will call for his clothing). In view of the foregoing, it is believed that referenced marking tag did not originate at the Sylva Cleaners.

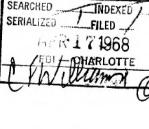
On 4/9/63, MRS HILDRED SHAGO, owner, Highlands Cleaners and Laundry - operating two establishments at Sylva and Highlands North Carolina, stated that each place of business utilizes colored tags as a means of identification.

Mr. O.B. PEARSON, owner, Franklin Cleaners, Franklin, North Carolina stated that his company uses large solored tags to identify clothing cleaned by that firm. Mr. PEARSON noted that the Sylva Cleaners is the only business w est of Haywood County, M.C., to use that Textile Marking Machine. He could not advised as to the identity of any cleaners in Haywood County who use this system.

No additional cleaners or laundries exist in the territories covered by this Agent.

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### RE: RONALD BARDIN SIMPSON

By communication dated April 6, 1968, the New Orleans Office of the FBI advised as follows:

Number , is now in local custody of Lake Charles, Louisiana, authorities on a vagrancy charge. He is unable to give an account of his whereabouts for the period April 4, 1968. His appearance matches an artist conception published in the "Beaumont Enterprise" newspaper. SIMPSON claims he is on Christmas leave from the Veterans Administration Hospital, Durham, North Carolina.

The following investigation was conducted by SA CHARLES S. MILLER:

### AT DURHAM, NORTH CAROLIMA

On April 6, 1988, HARRY PROPER, Night Administrations Officer, Veterans Administration Hospital, Durham, advised hospital records reflect ROMALD B. SIMPSON, born PII / United States Air Force Serial Number was first admitted to the Veterans Administration Hespital on October 9, 1967, diagnosis being schizophrenia. SIMPSON was released on leave on November 11, 1937, and returned November 24, 1937. He was released on leave again on December 20, 1967, for return on December 27, 1987, but was granted an extension until January 9, 1938, and again granted extension without return to the hospital until February 9, 1963. However, prior to termination of this extension, SIMPSON was discharged on January 12, 1968, for maximum hospital benefits. This was the only recorded admission for SIMPSON at the hospital.

SIMPSON's home address was shown as in care of a sister, Mrs. I. D. WHITE, 311 Jackson Street, Roanoke Rapids, North Carelina. Hospital records reflected SIMPSON has never been married.

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#### 4/12/68

**AIRTEL** 

TO:

SAC. MEMPHIS (44-1987)

FROM:

SAC, CHARLOTTE (44-1365) (P)

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re New Orleans teletype to Bureau, Charlotte and Memphis dated 4/6/68, and Charlotte teletype to Bureau, New Orleans and Memphis dated 4/6/68.

There are being furnished Memphis herewith an original and 8 copies of an insert concerning RONALD BARDIN SIMPSON.

The files of the Charlotte Office reflected SIMPSON was arrested on 12/19/66, by the El Paso County, Texas, SO and charged with vagrancy. At that time he had no draft card and no wallet and advised he had not requested duplicate registration. Records of the LB, Halifax, N. C., reflected SIMPSON correctly and properly registered and was classified 4-A, for prior military service.

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Date: 4/17/68

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FROM: SAC, CHARLOTTE (44-1365)

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ON APRIL SIXTEEN LAST, WILLIAM DAWSON BROOKS, COP,

GASTON RURAL POLICE, GASTONIA, TELEPHONICALLY ADVISED THAT

JOSEPH SAMUEL MEADOWS, WHO OPERATES A USED CAR LOT IN BESSEMER

CITY, NC, HAD INFORMATION CONCERNING THE KING ASSASSINATION.

ON APRIL SIXTEEN LAST, MEADOWS ADVISED ON LATE AFTERNOON OF APRIL FIFTEEN LAST, HE WAS DRIVING NORTH ON INTERSTATE EIGHTYFIVE IN SC WITH HIS WIFE WHEN A WHITE MUSTANG PASSED HIM DOING ABOUT NINETYFIVE MILES PER HOUR. HE OBSERVED A RED AND WHITE LICENSE PLATE ON THE CAR AND HAVING READ IN THE NEWSPAPER THAT FBI WAS LOOKING FOR WHITE MUSTANG WITH ALABAMA LICENSE, HE GAVE CHASE. THE MUSTANG TURNED OFF INTERSTATE EIGHTYFIVE ON WHITE HORSE ROAD NEAR GREENVILLE, SC, AT WHICH TIME MEADOWS OBTAINED THE LICENSE NUMBER, WHICH WAS ALABAMA

Approved:

Special Agent in Charge

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# Memorandum

TO

: SAC, CHARLOTTE (44-1365)

DATE: 4/16/68

FROM

SA RICHARD R. GOLDBERG

SUBJECT:

MURKIN

On 4/8/68, Chief of Police JIM Y MOORE, Kenly, N.C. Police Dept. advised SA J. RICHARD POLLARD, JR. that MILTON FRANK PAUL was in the

Kenly area 4/4/68. I

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# Memorandum

TO

SAC, CHARLOTTE (44-1365)

DATE: 4/17/68

FROM

SA ROBERT W. MORETTA

SUBJECT:

MURKIN

The following investigation was conducted by SA ROBERT W. MORETTA:

### AT ROCKY MOUNT, NORTH CAROLINA

On April 10, 1968, the following individuals all advised that their laundries did not use the Laundry mark 02B-6 or D2B-6:

> K. B. MOORING Carolina Overall Corporation 821 South Church Street

EARL FISHER East Carolina Linen Supply Company 215 Hill Street

Mrs. ELMER WOOTEN Purvis Cleaners and Laundry Service 122 Sunset Avenue

Mr. JOE LAWRENCE Quality Laundry 238 Tarboro Street

GEORGE WEBBER Rocky Mount Laundry 223 South Washington Street

L. ZIRKLE 1616 Sunset Avenue Zirkle's Laundry

44-1365-284 On April 11, 1968, the following individuals advised that the records of their respective departments failed to contain any information identifiable with ERIC STARVO GALT, HARVEY LOWMEYER, HARVEY LOWMYER, HARVEY LOHMYER, and HARVEY

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Captain BRAXTON GALVIN Rocky Mount Police Department

Mrs. CECELIA BAGGETT Rocky Mount Credit Bureau

NEVILLE
Nash County Recorder's and Superior Courts

DON GILLIAM, JR. Edgecombe County Recorder's and Superior Courts

## AT TARBORO, NORTH CAROLINA

HARRY HOLDEMAN
Tarboro Police Department

Mr. LOUISE A. BABCOCK Tarboro Credit Bureau

It should be noted a check of the city directories for Tarboro, Rocky Mounty, and the Greenville, N. C., area all failed to contain any listing any the above named suspects.

### AT GREENVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA

On April 11, 1968, the following individuals also advised that the records of their respective departments all failed to contain any information identifiable with the aforementioned named suspects:

Chief of Police HENRY LAWSON Greenville Police Department

Mr. WILLIAM HOUSE Clerk, Pitt County Recorder's and Superior Courts

Sheriff RALPH TYSON
Pitt County Sheriff's Office

Mrs. MARY ROBESON Greenville Credit Bureau CE 44-1365

On April 11, 1968, a check at the Blue Ribbon Laundry and Meadowbrook Laundries, Greenville, North Carolina, was made for a record of the laundry mark 02B-6 or D2B-6 with negative results:

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC CHARLOTTE (44-13 LS)

DATE: 4/17/61

FROM: SA. JAMES A. O'Connor

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Agents Meno # 148

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# Memorandum

TO

: SAC (44-1365)

DATE: 4/17/68

FROM

SA CHARLES S. MILLER

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Be Albany airtel to Burea u 4/10/68 (Ser. 145)

On 1/16/68 Mr. J.H. YELVERTON, Manager, University Laundry, Chapel Hill, N.C. advised he used the Thermo Seal Marking equipment only for 1 day special and University kaundry. Cleaners laundry.

In the first instance the code was always ISP - ## and in the latter it was UC #

On 4/17/68 E.P. HAYES, Duke University Laundry, Durham, N.C. advised that laundry had purchased Thermo Seal Marking Equipment but had not used it for the last ten or fifteen years. He stated that this machinery was presently stored.

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TO

SAC (44-1365)

DATE: 4/17/68

FROM

SA L.R. Chandler

SUBJECT: MURKIN

> The following investigation was conducted at Winston Salem, N.C.:

> On 4/12/68 Charles L. Roediger, Manager, CLR Mfg. Co., 3922 N. Liberty Street, Winston Salem, N.C. advised that Eugene F. Watson had been employed by his company but was no longer there. He stated that due to Easter Holiday it would not be possible to check their employment records until 4/16/68 as his bookkeeper was off.

On 4/16/68 Ruth Friend, Secretary, CLR Mfg Co. advised PΙΙ a charle of their records reflected that Eugene Franklin Watson, Social Security address PII Drive, Winston Salem was employed as a helper 2/19/68 andterminated 4/5/68.

Mrs. Friend stated their records show that Watson worked on 4/4/68 and 4/5/68 but failed to report for work 4/8/68. She stated he voluntarily left their employment and they have not heard from him since.

Mrs. Friend could not furnish any background information on Watson.

On 4/12/68 Janie Nelson, Credit Bureau, Winston Salem advised their records contain a file on Eugene Franklin Watson who has been in their file since 1957. He was employed at the Sealtest Dairies, Winston Salem 3/20/57 to 9/5/61 when he left voluntarily. Employed at the Duplan Corp., Winston Salem from 12/7/61 to 7/31/62 as a stockman. Then worked three years at Stanleyville Pharmacy, Stanleyville, N.C., dates not known. Credit rating is satisfactory and DOB is 44-1365-287

On 4/12/68 Shelby Ball, Records Bureau, PD, Winston Salem advised a check of their records did not reveal any information on Eugene Watson.

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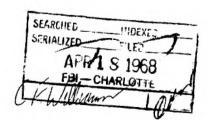
SA JAMES J ROCHE JR

SUBJECT: MURKIN

On 4/17/68 Maj. JOHNNY BOBBITT, Henderson N.C. PD telephonically advised that their department had at that time in custody an individual by the name of EMIL MATLIK who had come to their attention because of some remarks MATLIK had made at the Vance Hotel concerning the slaying of Dr KING. ROBBITT advised that MATLIK was registered under the name of D. HOUSTON at the Vance Hotel and that upon questioning MATLIK had indicated that he wished to speak to the FBI . MATLIK had informed BOBBITT that he, MATLIK, was currently running for World President and exhibited newspaper articles from various papers on this claim. BOBBITT described MATUIK as w/m, PII POB Highland Wisc., Ht 5'10, wt 165, hr-blonde, short, eyes blue, with a peaked nose. MATLIK had stated that he had been questioned by the FBI Baltimore on 4/6/68 .BOBBITT wanted to know if the FBI desired to talk to MATLIK and he was advised by the writer that he would be recontacted. On the same date BOBBITT was recontacted and advised that if MATLIK wanted to talk to the FBI that he should come to a field office or RA and that he had prevbously interviewed by the FBI.

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TO : SAC, CHARLOTTE (LH-1365)

DATE: 1/11/68

FROM : SA CHARLES W. MILLER

SUBJECT: BUNKIN

TH: SUSPECT BUGGIE WATSON

Mr. F. B. HARMOR, Dlerk, Y.CA, East Morehead St., Charlotte, N.C. advised that EUGENS WAISON registered in at the Y.CA on 4/7/68, and was assigned from 502. He is still at the Y.CA. Er. HARMON produced the registration card which indicates that WATBON lists his age as 33, his business address as C.L.R. Mfg. Co., N. Liberty, his drivers license as N.C. # And the person to notify in case of illness as Mrs. GREENWOOD, 559 Akron Dr., Winston-Salem.

Mr. HARMON said that MATSON was an "odd" person, and that WATSON and one other person residing at the YECA were watched closely because of their peculiar behavior. He said that WATSON told him that he was looking for a job, having worked last the week of April 1-5 at Winston-Salem. He described WATSON as age 33, 5'10", 150 lbs, slender, black hair.

As WATSON advised Mr. HARMON that he was working on 4/4/68, SA LARRY CHANDLER was telephonically advised to verify employment at the C. L. R. Mfg. Co., Winston Salem, on 4/11/68.

On 4/17/68, SA CARRIES advised that a check at the C. L. R. Mfg. Co. indicated that suspect was employed at that film, having worked on 4/4/68 are resigned on 4/5/68.

In view of suspect's employment on 4/4/68 at Minston Salem, no further investigation recommended.

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RE: VURKIN

By teletype dated 4/17/68, the Bureau advised as follows:

"The following press release was issued at Washington. D. C., at 5:45 p.m. this afternoon. You are authorized to release at 6:00 p.m., EST. Although it is realized the wire services will carry the full text, you should immediately contact leading newscapers and radio and television stations in your division to insure it receives immediate videspread distribution. You are also authorized to immediately make available to all media representatives copies of the two photographs already in your possession. The descriptive data on the backs of these photographs should be deleted. Photograph number one with eyes closed should carry caption 'ERIC STARVO CALT, also known as HARVET LOWMYER and JOHN WILLARD. ' Photograph number two should carry caption 'ERIC STARVO CALT, also known as HARVEY LOWMYER and JOHN WILLARD (Eyes drawn in by FBI artist).' You are authorized to reproduce locally additional photographs as required. You should attempt to insure that this release and photographs receive repeated coverage by radio and television stations. You are to make no eliboration what bever regarding this release,"

Attached are copies of the news release for distribution to newspapers, particularly weeklies (inasmuch as the daily newspapers have AP and UPI news services) and to television and radio stations who have not received the release on the wire services.

Also attached are photographs of GALT. Before distribution, these photographs have the captions placed on them according to Bureau instructions. Those photographs not distributed to news media should be retained by the RA'S for use in covering future leads concerning GALT.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
APRIL 17, 1968

ATTORNEY GENERAL RAMSEY CLARK ANNOUNCED TODAY THAT ERIC STARVO GALT IS BEING SOUGHT BY THE FBI AS A FUGITIVE ON A FEDERAL CHARGE ARISING FROM THE FATAL SHOOTING OF THE REVEREND DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., IN MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE, ON APRIL 4, 1968.

DIRECTOR J. EDGAR HOOVER STATED THAT A FEDERAL COMPLAINT WAS FILED BY THE FBI IN BIRMINCHAM, ALABAMA, TODAY CHARGING GALT WITH CONSPIRING TO VIOLATE THE CIVIL RIGHTS OF DR. KING IN VIOLATION OF TITLE 18, SECTION 241, OF THE UNITED STATES CODE.

THE FBI COMPLAINT CHARGES THAT "ON OR ABOUT MARCH 29, 1968, AT BIRMINCHAM, ALABAMA, ...FRIC STARVO CALT AND AN INDIVIDUAL WHOM HE ALLECED TO BE HIS BROTHER, ENTERED INTO A CONSPIRACY WHICH CONTINUED UNTIL ON OR ABOUT APRIL 5, 1968, TO INJURE, OPPRESS, THREATEN, OR INTIMIDATE MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.,... IN THE FREE EXERCISE OR ENJOYMENT OF A RIGHT SECURED TO HIM BY THE CONSTITUTION OR LAWS OF THE UNITED STATES; NAMELY, THE RIGHT TO FREELY TRAVEL FROM STATE TO STATE. IN FURTHERANCE OF THIS CONSPIRACY, ERIC STARVO GALT DID, ON OR ABOUT MARCH 30, 1968, PURCHASE A RIFLE AT BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA..."