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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, Charlotte 44-1365

DATE: 6/6/68

FROM : Robert S. Moore

SUBJECT: MURKIN.

Re memo 5/24/68 of SA G.W. Williams.

On 5/27/68 an IO and Wanted Flyer of [REDACTED] was furnished to Mrs. Carrie Hall, Salvation Army Office, 177 Patton Ave., Asheville, N.C. Mrs. Hall said she knew no one who resembled [REDACTED] but would post these photos of Ray and in the event anyone resembling him she would contact this office.

Mrs. Hall advised the Salvation Army is the only local charitable-type mission in Asheville, N.C. furnishing rooms to the needy.  
RSM.



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# Memorandum

TO : SAC: 44-1365

DATE: 6/6/68

FROM : SA Richard A. Carr

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Agents Memo no. 209, 5/23/68

On 6/6/68 CHALMERS BIGGS, Robeson County, N.C. Coroner advised there have been no unidentified dead in Robeson County since 4/1/68.

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TO ALL FALS

FROM DIRECTOR 44-38861

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SUBJECT JAMES EARL RAY APPREHENDED AT LONDON,  
ENGLAND, JUNE EIGHT INSTANT. DISCONTINUE EFFORTS TO LOCATE  
AND REMOVE ALL STOPS.

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AIRMAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)  
FROM: SAC, HOUSTON (44-1509)  
RE: MURKIN ✓  
(OO: Memphis)

Re Kansas City teletype 6/3/68; Atlanta teletype 6/4/68; Miami teletypes 6/4 and 5/68; Butel 6/6/68.

For information Charlotte re Atlanta teletype 6/4/68 reflects one RAMON GEORGE SNEYD, whose passport photo may be that of subject RAY, obtained a British Commonwealth passport on 4/24/68. In applying for passport he furnished following description: white, male, born 10/8/32, Toronto; 168 lbs., black hair; brown eyes; residing 968 Dundas, Toronto, Canada, which is cheap rooming house where SNEYD resided since April, 1968. Proprietor could not make positive identification of SNEYD as RAY from photo. Passport application obtained through travel agency near rooming house, and travel agency records indicate SNEYD had planned to travel to London via BOAC and would return 5/29/68.

Re Atlanta teletype of 6/4/68 requested Miami review Eastern Airlines (EAL) flights 320 and 328 for daily flights from Atlanta to Toronto, and flight 108 daily from Atlanta to Montreal.

- 3 - Bureau
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Bureau further advised SNEYD in obtaining passport furnished name of PAUL BRIDGEMAN as person to notify in event of emergency, and advised BRIDGEMAN may have been incarcerated with subject. Bureau instructed name of SNEYD and BRIDGEMAN be checked to determine if passengers on above mentioned flights for period 4/5 through 4/19/68.

EAL records checked on 6/4/68 did not reflect either SNEYD or BRIDGEMAN as passengers these flights during pertinent period.

EAL records indicate that tickets of other airlines were used on pertinent flights during pertinent period. One such ticket is following.

Trans-Texas Airways, International Airport, Houston, Texas, coach class: 033-320-081302, coupon 3, flight 328, 4/9/68.

On 6/6/68 DENNIS IMHOFF, TTA General Office, Houston, advised that above TTA ticket issued to J. E. JURBAN, 2912 Wakeforrest, Raleigh, N. C., ticket written at Baton Rouge, La. for travel Baton Rouge to Raleigh, N. C. and return via New Orleans and Atlanta. First part of trip set up for 4/2/68 and return portion set up for 4/5/68.

ReButel this date advised as follows:

Individual known as RAMON GEORGE SNEYD was determined to have been in Toronto, Canada, as of 4/8/68. Check of airline records can, therefore, be limited to period of 4/5 through 4/8/68. Advise Bureau of identities of persons to whom such tickets were issued but do not set out leads to trace such persons until advised by Bureau.

Above information for Charlotte. Charlotte will not attempt to trace JURBAN until advised to do so by Bureau.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, CHARLOTTE (44-1365)

FROM : SA CHARLES L. WILLIAMS, JR.

SUBJECT: MURKIN  
(OO: MEMPHIS)

DATE: 6/12/68

As subject has been apprehended, the Bureau by teletype 6/8/68 instructed that efforts to locate should be discontinued and all stops removed. The file reflects serial 411, 442 and 499 that stops were placed with NCDMV to advise of any automobiles stolen in Ga. recovered in N.C. when the transporter is unknown, stolen after 3/23/68, in order that appropriate investigation can be conducted to determine if subject RAY may be the person involved; however, Atlanta through extensive investigation had not been able to ascertain the means used by RAY in departure from Atlanta. Although RAY has been apprehended, it appears that tracing of his movements would be relevant, therefore this stop is not being removed at this time.

## LEADS:

### CHARLOTTE

AT GREENSBORO, N.C.

*done 6/15*

Will discontinue on lead to SA MICHAEL J. SCANLON on 4/22/68, serial 399, to furnish Narcotics Bureau sufficient IOs and wanted fliers to contact informants.

### AT WILMINGTON, N.C.

Will remove stop placed with INS, Agent in Charge GUY NEWMAN, by SA DAVID W. WATSON, serial 463, where stop placed 4/23/68 and previously on JAMES EARL RAY and aliases as reflected on IOs and wanted fliers and also on lead telephone call to SA WATSON 6/6/68 concerning names PAUL BRIDGEMAN and RAMON GEORGE SNEYD, names being used by RAY in Canada and otherwise.

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AT CHARLOTTE, NC.

Will arrange with THOMAS BROUGHTON, Editor,  
"Master Barber and Beautician" magazine, 219 Greenwich Rd.,  
in order that article will not be published concerning RAY  
of this article has not already been printed (serial 709).

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(Mount Clipping in Space Below)

## Two Vital Characteristics

The arrest of James Earl Ray, accused assassin of Dr. Martin Luther King, serves not only justice but emphasizes two of the most important characteristics of successful police work.

Those characteristics are painstaking attention to detail amid infinite patience and wholehearted cooperation.

BEFORE RAY was apprehended at London airport Saturday, the police in four countries had cooperated in a manner worth unrestrained commendation. These agencies were the Federal Bureau of Investigation in the United States, the Royal Canadian Mounted Police in Canada, Scotland Yard in England and Portuguese authorities.

As part of this cooperation, more than 300,000 passport photographs were examined in Washington and Ottawa, Canada. This part of the operation attained success when a Canadian Mounted Police officer turned up Ray's picture under the name of Ramon George Sneyd. With this information, plus a "tip," possibly from the FBI or the Royal

Canadian Mounted Police, Ray was nabbed as he was going through customs after arrival on a flight from Lisbon, Portugal.

Of course, there is a great deal more to this story which cannot be told at this time. But time should bring it out, especially as to where Ray obtained the money which made it possible for him to travel overseas. Here indeed is suspicion of conspiracy.

HERE IS shown the value of the international police organization, Interpol, whose Portuguese section was involved in Ray's capture.

The two characteristics of successful police work — painstaking attention to detail and cooperation — mentioned earlier often are evident in Wilmington and other communities with the result that justice is served well. Perhaps the public takes this situation for granted too often. But we shouldn't. Instead, good citizens should show their gratitude to all honorable law enforcement officers. As they do, they should pledge wholehearted support to them as they strive for one of the nation's greatest needs — the prevalence of justice at all times.

(Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

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In view of subject's apprehension, any office having outstanding leads or requests for circularization in any publication of any kind should cancel outstanding request now.

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2 Albany  
1 All Continental Offices  
1 Memphis

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ROUTING SLIP TO ALL FIELD OFFICES

FROM: *PCW* SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987) (P)

RE: JAMES EARL RAY, aka -  
FUGITIVE  
CR - CONSPIRACY; UFAC - ROBBERY

OO: MEMPHIS

Re report of SA JOE C. HESTER 6/5/68 at Memphis.

Page 17, paragraph 4, line 6 - 12/17/67, should  
be 12/7/67.

Please correct your copies.

SAC ROBERT G. JENSEN

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TO DIRECTOR (44-38861), CHARLOTTE AND MEMPHIS (44-1987)  
FROM MILWAUKEE (44-388) P 3P

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ON JUNE FIFTEEN INSTANT [REDACTED] LONG-DISTANCE  
TELEPHONE OPERATOR, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED], CONFIDENTIALLY ADVISED AS FOLLOWS AND REQUESTED HER  
IDENTITY BE PROTECTED: ON JUNE ELEVEN LAST AT APPROXIMATELY  
TEN FORTYTWO PM A MALE CALLER AT UNION GROVE, WIS., CALLED  
[REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] ENDEAVORED TO PLACE CALLS TO THE FOLLOWING  
NUMBERS IN NORTH CAROLINA FOR HIM: SEVEN ZERO FOUR-SEVEN  
FIVE EIGHT-TWO NINE ZERO EIGHT; SEVEN ZERO FOUR-SEVEN FIVE  
FOUR-FOUR NINE THREE ZERO; AND SEVEN ZERO FOUR-SEVEN FIVE  
EIGHT-TWO ONE ZERO ZERO. THE CALLER ALSO ATTEMPTED  
TO LOCATE NUMBER FOR RUBY ANDERSON PAREN PH END PAREN, LEONA, NORTH  
CAROLINA. [REDACTED] ADVISED THAT SHE OVERHEARD PORTIONS OF THE  
CALLER'S CONVERSATION WITH PERSON IN NORTH CAROLINA, AND THAT  
DURING CALL TO SEVEN ZERO FOUR-SEVEN FIVE FOUR-FOUR NINE  
THREE ZERO CALLER WAS ASKED IF HE WERE QUOTE ROBERT END QUOTE AND  
REPLIED QUOTE YES END QUOTE. IN CALL TO SEVEN ZERO FOUR-SEVEN FIVE  
EIGHT-TWO ONE ZERO ZERO CALLER CONTACTED MALE WITH HILLBILLY VOICE  
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END CALLER SAID AS FOLLOWS: QUOTE I'VE GOT THE HAVE MONY, A WHOLE LOT OF MONEY TO GET OUT OF THE COUNTRY. I'M GOING TO CALL BACK TOMORROW NIGHT. YOU TELL THE CLAN PAREN PH END PAREN TO GET ME SOME MONEY OR I'M GOING TO BLOW THIS THING SKY HIGH. WHEN THEY GET RAY BACK IN THIS COUNTRY HE WILL SPILL HIS GUTS. END QUOTE. THE MALE IN NORTH CAROLINA RECEIVING THE CALL SAID, QUOTE I THOUGHT YOU WERE STRAIGHTENED OUT BEFORE YOU LEFT DOWN HERE END QUOTE. [REDACTED] HAS IMPRESSION CALLER WAS REFERRING TO JAMES EARL RAY. SHE SAID CALLER MENTIONED SEVERAL TIMES HIS NEED FOR A LOT OF MONEY AND THAT HE WOULD TALK IF HE DID NOT RECEIVE IT. [REDACTED] DESCRIBED CALLER AS A WHITE MALE WITH A SOUTHERN ACCENT, INTELLIGENT VOICE, APPEARED TO BE IN LATE THIRTY'S OR EARLY FORTY'S. [REDACTED] STATED CALLER DID NOT APPEAR UNBALANCED OR INTOXICATED. [REDACTED] STATED THAT SHE HAD FAILED TO CONTACT AUTHORITIES EARLIER DUE TO FEAR OR RETALIATION SHOULD SHE BECOME INVOLVED.

CHARLOTTE. DETERMINE SUBSCRIBERS OF TELEPHONE  
NUMBERS 704-758-2908  
704-758-2100  
SEVEN ZERO FOUR-SEVEN FIVE EIGHT-TWO NINE ZERO EIGHT;  
SEVEN ZERO FOUR-SEVEN FIVE EIGHT-TWO ONE ZERO ZERO; AND  
END PAGE TWO

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7 0 4 7 5 4 4 9 3 0  
SEVEN ZERO FOUR-SEVEN FIVE FOUR-FOUR NINE THREE ZERO. ATTEMPT  
TO IDENTIFY ROBERT PAREN LNU END PAREN IN UNION GROVE, WIS. BY  
DISCREET INVESTIGATION. CONDUCT INVESTIGATION TO IDENTIFY RUBY  
ANDERSON AND APPARENT SIGNIFICANCE OF ABOVE CALLS.

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FROM CHARLOTT (44-1365)

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RE MILWAUKEE TEL SIX FIFTEEN LAST.

MR. RAY LEAZER, MANAGER, SOUTHERN BELL TELEPHONE CO.,  
LENOIR, N.C. IDENTIFIED SUBSCRIBERS OF FOLLOWING TELEPHONE  
NUMBERS:SEVEN ZERO FOUR - SEVEN FIVE EIGHT - TWO NINE ZERO EIGHT -  
EARL HALL USED CARS, EARL HALL, OWNER, LENOIR, N.C. HALL  
FORMERLY EMPLOYED AS MANAGER OF ECONOMY OIL SERVICE STATION  
NUMBER TWO, LENOIR, N.C. RESIDENCE ONE ZERO ONE NICHILL  
DRIVE, LENOIR, N.C. RESIDENCE TELEPHONE NUMBER SEVEN FIVE  
FOUR - NINE FIVE FIVE ZERO.SEVEN ZERO FOUR - SEVEN FIVE FOUR - FOUR NINE THREE ZERO -  
JON PUBLISHED OWNER - SUBSCRIBER, PAUL ELLISON SANDERS,  
MAILING ADDRESS, RADCLIFF ROAD, LENOIR, N.C. EMPLOYED AS  
VICE PRESIDENT, SANDERS MANUFACTURING CO., FURNITURE WOOD-  
WORKING FIRM. WIFE, ANN SANDERS, EMPLOYED LENOIR HOSIERY CO.SEVEN ZERO FOUR - SEVEN FIVE EIGHT - TWO ONE ZERO ZERO -  
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NON PUBLISHED NUMBER - SUBSCRIBER SAMUEL JERRY SANDERS,  
TELEPHONE LOCATED AT COTTRELL HILL ROAD, LENOIR, N.C.  
EMPLOYED AT QUALITY WOOD PRODUCTS, LENOIR, N.C. AS WOOD  
LATHE OPERATOR. WIFE, REBECCA.

DEPUTY SHERIFF LEONARD ANDREWS, CALDWELL COUNTY, N.C.  
SO ADVISED PAUL ELLISON SANDERS AND SAMUEL J. SANDERS ARE  
REPUTABLE INDIVIDUALS IN COMMUNITY. ANDREWS VERIFIED SAMUEL  
J. SANDERS LIVES ON CONTRELL HILL ROAD AND STATED HE, ANDREWS,  
LIVES NEAR PAUL ELLISON SANDERS. ANDREWS ALSO STATED SAMUEL  
J. AND PAUL ELLISON SANDERS HAVE BROTHER ROBERT FRANKLIN  
SANDERS WHO HAS BEEN INVOLVED IN BAD CHECK AND STOLEN CAR  
MATTERS. ROBERT FRANKLIN SANDERS IS PROBABLY IDENTICAL WITH  
CE FILE TWO SIX DASH THREE NINE EIGHT SEVEN THREE UNSUB;  
AKA GUY MITCHELL, JAMES C. BATES, ROBERT SANDERS, ITSMV;  
ITSP, OO: CHARLOTTE. ROBERT FRANK SANDERS, FBI NO. FOUR  
SIX EIGHT SIX SIX NINE ONE, WHITE, MALE, DOB: ELEVEN EIGHTEEN  
TWENTY-SEVEN, FIVE FEET TEN INCHES, ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY POUNDS.  
SANDERS ALLEGED TO HAVE ABANDONED NINETEEN SIXTY-EIGHT  
CHEVROLET IN WATAUGA COUNTY, N.C. ON THREE SEVEN SIXTY-EIGHT,  
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WHICH WAS RENTED IN SALT LAKE CITY BY INDIVIDUAL USING NAME OF GUY MITCHELL. CURTIS L. WOODARD, POSTAL INSPECTOR, HICKORY, N.C., ADVISED IN FIFTEEN SIXTY-SEVEN ROBERT FRANKLIN SANDERS HAD PASSED FRAUDULENT MONEY ORDERS ON BANK OF LAKEMOOD, WASHINGTON. WOODARD ALSO ADVISED HE HAD DETERMINED ROBERT FRANKLIN SANDERS HAD SERVED TIME IN STATE OF WASHINGTON AND PAROLED TO STATE AUTHORITIES OF APRIL ELEVEN SIXTY-SIX. SANDERS ARRESTED FOR B&E LENOIR, NC PD AND TWICE FOR INVESTIGATION.

DEPUTY SHERIFF LEONARD ANDREWS STATED ROBERT FRANKLIN SANDERS NOT PRESENTLY IN LENOIR, N.C.

CHARLOTTE WILL DISCREETLY INTERVIEW EARL ELLISON SANDERS AND SAMUEL JERRY SANDERS AT LENOIR, N.C. USING PRETEXT OF ABOVE DESCRIBED AUTO THEFT INVESTIGATION TO DETERMINE IF ROBERT FRANKLIN SANDERS HAS BEEN IN TELEPHONIC CONTACT ON SIX ELEVEN SIXTY-EIGHT.

NO IDENTIFIABLE INFORMATION IN CHARLOTTE INDICES CONNECTING EARL HALL OR SANDERS BROTHERS WITH KKK ACTIVITY.

CC INDICES REFLECT ONE REFERENCE TO RUBY ANDERSON,  
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COLORRED FEMALE WHO VISTIED R. J. REYNOLDS TOBACCO CO.,  
WINSTON SALIM, N.C. ON NINE TWENTY FORTY FOUR.

BUREAU WILL BE ADVISED OF RESULTS OF INTERVIEW WITH  
PAUL LLLISON SANDERS AND SAMUEL JERRY SANDERS, LENOIR, N.C.  
END

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Special Agent in Charge

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC (44-1365)

FROM : SA David W. Watson

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: June 17, 1968

Re serial 746.

On June 17, 1968 Mr. Newman Guy, Agent In Charge- INS, Custom House Building, Wilmington, N.C. was contacted by SA David W. Watson and Mr. Guy was advised to remove the stops previously placed with him on the subject with all known aliases.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-33861)  
 FROM: SAC, CHARLOTTE (44-1365)  
 MURKIN

Re Milwaukee teletype to Bureau, 6/15/68 and Charlotte teletype 6/16/68.

The following investigation was conducted by SA BOIS D. CROCKER in Caldwell Co., N. C., under pretext ROBERT FRANKLIN SANDERS being sought by FBI for questioning in car theft and suspect in cashing of numerous worthless checks in connection with Charlotte file 26-39873.

On 6/16/68 SAMUEL JERRY SANDERS, Route 1, Box 131, (Cottrell Hill Rd.), Lenoir, N. C., Telephone 758-2100, advised he had just returned from 2 weeks National Guard duty at Ft. Bragg, N. C., on that date. During the two weeks of guard duty his wife resided with his brother's wife, Mrs. BILL SANDERS, in Lenoir. His 19 year old brother, JACOB DOUGLAS SANDERS resides in the home with him and would have been at home at this telephone number at nights only. He denied receiving any telephone calls from his brother, ROBERT FRANKLIN SANDERS or anyone else and especially calls from the State of Wisconsin.

On 6/16/68 JACOB DOUGLAS SANDERS, Route 1, Box 131, Lenoir, N. C., advised he resided with his brother but did not receive any telephone calls from Wisconsin during the previous week and he has had no recent contact with his brother, ROBERT.

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On 6/17/68 PAUL ELLISON SANDERS, 109 Radcliff Rd., Lenoir, N.C., Telephone 754-4930, advised he does not accept any collect telephone calls from his brother, ROBERT FRANKLIN SANDERS, and the last time he talked with his brother, ROBERT, was about 2 or perhaps 3 weeks ago when ROBERT called him at approximately 4 or 5 A.M. desiring to know if PAUL had heard from ROBERT's wife and family. This was the last contact he has had with ROBERT and stated he definitely did not receive any long distance telephone calls during the week of 6/9-16/68 from ROBERT or anyone else from the State of Wisconsin. He stated he worked several nights until around 11 P.M. and on Friday night, 6/14/68, visited his father, IVY SANDERS of Lenoir. PAUL SANDERS pointed out it was possible his wife may have received a call from his brother, ROBERT FRANKLIN SANDERS from Wisconsin.

Subsequently on 6/17/68 PAUL SANDERS advised that he had discussed this matter with his wife and she stated she did not receive any long distance telephone calls during the week of 6/9-16/68. She stated ROBERT SANDERS had called PAUL's home on Sunday evening either 6/2/68 or 6/9/68 from an unknown location and this was the last contact she had had with ROBERT SANDERS. She definitely received no calls from Wisconsin to her knowledge during the week of 6/9-16/68.

On 6/17/68 EARL HALL, Hall's Used Cars, Lenoir, N.C., Telephone 758-2908, advised that he usually closes his used car lot at approximately 6 P.M. and at the latest 6:30 P.M. He stated ROBERT FRANKLIN SANDERS was unknown to him to the best of his recollection. He stated he did not receive any long distance telephone calls during the week of 6/9-16/68 and especially from anyone in the State of Wisconsin.

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CE 44-1365 (Priority)

On 6/17/68 SAMUEL JERRY SANDERS was recontacted and advised he had discussed this matter with his wife and youngest brother, JACOB DOUGLAS SANDERS and they both advised him they had not received any telephone calls from ROBERT FRANKLIN SANDERS or anyone else from the State of Wisconsin during the week of 6/9-16/68.

For the information of the Bureau and all offices, PAUL and JERRY SANDERS were interviewed at length and at no time displayed any animosity toward minority groups of the Federal Government and indicated a high regard for the FBI.

They both advised their father, IVEY SANDERS, had tried to help their oldest brother, ROBERT FRANKLIN SANDERS, for a number of years but finally gave up. They stated there were 13 members of the immediate family and on numerous occasions had sent ROBERT money to pay fines or lawyer's fees when actually the money was needed to buy food and clothing for other members of the family. Both brothers also indicated they and other members of the family had helped ROBERT on numerous occasions but for the past several years have refused to assist any financial aid and no longer accept any collect telephone calls from him. They both stated they had unlisted telephone numbers for this reason in order to prevent any unnecessary calls from ROBERT or any of his associates to their homes. They stated that ROBERT had traveled extensively over the U. S. and the family never knew where he was or when he would next appear in Caldwell Co., N. C.. PAUL indicated that he could not place any confidence in any information that ROBERT gave him and he might tell you he was going to Calif. when actually he would be going to the next county.

ROBERT SANDERS' brothers indicated that they knew EARL HALL as a used car dealer only and have no personal association with him. RUBY ANDERSON is unknown to them but

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they have a first cousin by the name of RUBY CRUMP who has been married several times and whose whereabouts are unknown.

They advised they did not lie as to ROBERT's whereabouts and if he were responsible for the theft of a car or passing bad checks or any other crime, he should be caught and punished.

Investigation in Lenoir indicated that all members of IVEY SANDERS' family are law-abiding citizens with the exception of ROBERT FRANKLIN SANDERS and they are a working class people with good reputations. There is no indication that SANDERS are engaged in any klan activities. EARL HALL operated a used car business in Lenoir for a number of years but sold out but just recently re-established this business. He has the reputation of being a shrewd car dealer not known to engage in any illegal activities.

LEADS:MILWAUKEEAT RACINE, WISCONSIN

1. Re-interview [REDACTED] Wisconsin Telephone Company, bearing in mind above information and the fact ROBERT FRANKLIN SANDERS is the suspect in a car theft and in the cashing of numerous worthless checks.

2. Attempt to obtain toll tickets concerning telephone calls set forth in referenced Milwaukee teletype.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, CHARLOTTE (44-1365)

DATE: 6/21/68

FROM : SA KENNETH R. SMITH

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DORIS EURY, Salvation Army Shelter, Cabarrus Ave., Concord, N. C., was furnished a copy of IO of JAMES EARL RAY on 5/27/68. Miss EURY advised that she had never seen subject and would display IO to other employees at Shelter. She stated that she would contact the FBI if she obtained any positive information.

It is noted that this is the only Salvation Army Shelter in Cabarrus County, N. C.

KRS:dmw  
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AIRTEL

TO: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)  
FROM: SAC, CHARLOTTE (44-1365) (P)  
SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Memphis airtel to all offices dated 4/19/68,  
regarding MURKIN costs.

Following are the costs for the Charlotte Division  
for June, 1968:

1. MAN HOUR SPENT ON CASE

	<u>Regular</u>	<u>Overtime</u>	<u>Total</u>
(a) Special Agent	50	10	60
(b) Clerical	32		32
		Total	92

2. TOTAL MILEAGE 327 miles

3. UNUSUAL or OUT OF ORDINARY COSTS NONE

4. PEAK NUMBER OF SPECIAL AGENTS WORKING ON  
CASE IN JUNE

3 AGENTS

2 - Memphis  
② - Charlotte

CLW:cbw

(4) *cbw*

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, CHARLOTTE (44-1365)(P)

FROM : SA LEONARD V. DAHL

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 6/28/68

AT CHARLOTTE, N. C.

On 6/11/68 THOMAS BROUGHTON, Editor, "Master Barber and Beautician", 219 Greenwich Rd., advised SA LEONARD V. DAHL that he had included the photograph and description of subject JAMES EARL RAY with material presented to the printer, scheduled for release on 7/1/68. He stated in view of RAY's apprehension, he will see that this article is not published.

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AIRTEL

TO: SAC, Milwaukee (44-388)  
FROM: Director, FBI (44-38861)  
MURKIN

ReMilTel 6/15/68, CIsirtel 6/17/68, and  
MIsirtel 6/20/68.

Milwaukee is authorized to obtain appropriate telephone toll call records. Since you advise that no Federal Grand Jury is in session, these records should be obtained through established sources and accomplished with full security and the Bureau's interest fully protected. Advise results of reinterview with [REDACTED] long Distance telephone operator.

- 1 - SAC, Charlotte
- 1 - SAC, Memphis

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*C. L. Williams*

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, Charlotte (44-1365)      DATE: 7/9/68

FROM : SAC, New Orleans (157-10673) (P)

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Charlotte airtel to Jackson, dated 4/24/68.

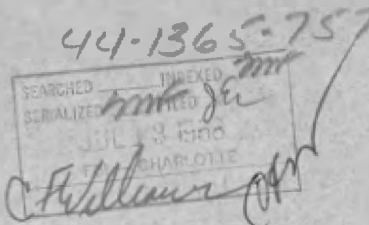
In reairtel Charlotte advised that the information contained therein was being furnished for whatever purpose it may serve to the receiving offices; and in addition, it was being furnished in view of the fact that KENNETH WAYNE MELTON was considered a suspect by Mrs. LEWIS in captioned matter.

Charlotte also advised that Mrs. LEWIS desired that her daughters VICKIE LEWIS and BARBARA GAIL LEWIS not be contacted until such time as she had an opportunity to ascertain their feelings toward divulging any information they might have come across while residing at Bogalusa, Louisiana.

The New Orleans Division has made no attempt to contact Mrs. LEWIS' daughters, or to conduct any detailed investigation in this matter at Bogalusa, Louisiana, as it might apply to the suspect KENNETH WAYNE MELTON, until additional information was received from the Charlotte Division, advising of Mrs. LEWIS' contact with her daughters.

Charlotte is requested to advise if contact has been made with Mrs. LEWIS, or if any additional investigation will be required in the New Orleans Division.

2-Charlotte  
1-Memphis (44-1854)(Info)  
2-New Orleans  
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Date: 7/16/68

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(Priority or Method of Mailing)

TO: ALL SACs

FROM: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987) (P)

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Bureau airtel to Memphis, 7/8/68.

The Bureau has requested that all divisions continue to submit monthly cost data until further notice.

In view of the above, all divisions are requested to comply with the Bureau's instructions, including offices who have negative cost data to report.

2 - ALL OFFICES  
2 - Memphis  
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*[Signature]*  
C. L. Williams

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

*R. Jensen*  
Special Agent in Charge

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SAC, NEW ORLEANS (157-10673)

7/24/68

SAC, CHARLOTTE (44-1365)

MURKIN

ReNOlet, 7/9/68.

Several attempts have been made to recontact Mrs. MARY LEWIS, 1413 West Walnut Ave., Gastonia, N.C., unsuccessfully.

Unless New Orleans or Memphis instructs, no additional efforts will be made to contact Mrs. LEWIS and no additional investigation will be requested of the New Orleans Office re the information furnished by Mrs. LEWIS previously.

- 2 - New Orleans
- 1 - Memphis (44-1854) (Info)
- 2 - Charlotte

CFW:mfd

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JE JR F. Williams

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC CHARLOTTE 170-669 (P)

DATE: 3/31/69

FROM : SA THOMAS H. GEORGE

☐ CI ☐ SI ☒ R (Prob) (Photo)

SUBJECT: JIMMY ALVIN EDWARDS

☐ PCI ☐ PSI ☐ R

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Date of Contact	
1/29/69 2/11,24/69 3/10,24/69	
Titles and File #s on which contacted	
POSSIBLE RACIAL VIOLENCE, MAJOR URBAN AREAS 157-177	
Purpose and results of contact	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NEGATIVE On 1/29/69, source advised that he wanted to talk with an agent since the recent publicity concerning JAMES EARL RAY and the death of Martin Luther King Jr had reminded of the fact that a conspiracy might exist in the death of KING. Source stated that a short time after KING was killed, a former Marine buddy, FRANCIS TEMBLER, former operator of a night club at New Bern, N.C. came to Charlotte for a day or so and in conversation, mentioned the fact he was glad KING and KENNEDY (meaning ROBERT F. KENNEDY) were now both dead. Source advised that if further investigation is conducted re KING, TEMBLER, described as Negro male, age app. 40, 6'3", thin build, girl friend DAISY ELLI TEMBLER, Charlotte, (former wife of TEMBLER's brother might be of interest.	
Source had no pertinent information on other contacts.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating good
Coverage no change	

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Date: 7/24/68

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(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI, MEMPHIS (44-1854)

FROM: CHARLOTTE (44-1365)

MURKIN

TODAY, DAVE ALEXANDER, CITY EDITOR, "GREENSBORO RECORD," DAILY GREENSBORO, N. C., NEWSPAPER, ADVISED THAT NEWSPAPER OPERATES A "HOT LINE" COLUMN WHICH APPEARS IN EVERY EDITION. VOICES OF PERSONS CALLING "HOT LINE" ARE RECORDED ON TAPE. SOMETIME ON THE MORNING OF JULY TWENTY-THREE, LAST, A MALE CALLED "HOT LINE" AND FURNISHED THE FOLLOWING:

"I'D RATHER NOT GIVE MY NAME UNDER THE CIRCUMSTANCES BECAUSE I KNOW JAMES EARL RAY IS INNOCENT BECAUSE AT THE TIME HE WAS IN GREENSBORO WITH ME BUT I KNEW HE WAS A FUGITIVE. I CANNOT GET INVOLVED. IF THE HOT LINE WOULD LIKE TO CARRY ON FURTHER, PUT IT IN THE PAPER AND I WILL CALL YOU BACK AGAIN AND IF YOU WILL KEEP MY NAME CONFIDENTIAL FROM THE POLICE, SO I CANNOT GET INVOLVED, I CAN PROVE EARL RAY DID NOT KILL OR ASSASSINATE YOU KNOW WHO."

ALEXANDER ADVISED HE DID NOT PLAN TO PUBLISH THIS ITEM UNLESS IT WILL BE OF VALUE TO LAW ENFORCEMENT. 44-1365-760A

CFW:CG  
(1)Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
Special Agent in Charge

Sent 4 30 PM Per \_\_\_\_\_

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IN VIEW OF THE DATA DEVELOPED CONCERNING RAY IN THIS CASE, AND DUE TO THE NATURE OF THE TELEPHONE CALL, NO FURTHER INVESTIGATION IS BEING CONDUCTED BY CHARLOTTE. ABOVE IS BEING FURNISHED FOR INFORMATION OF THE BUREAU AND MEMPHIS. ALEXANDER WAS INSTRUCTED TO MAINTAIN THE TAPE RECORDING FOR A ONE WEEK PERIOD RATHER THAN ERASE AS IS THE USUAL PRACTICE.

END

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_ Sent \_\_\_\_\_ M Per \_\_\_\_\_  
Special Agent in Charge

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FBI MEMPHIS

551 451 PM URGENT 7-24-68 MCP

TO DIRECTOR 44-38861 AND CHARLOTTE 44-1365  
FROM MEMPHIS 44-1987 1 P

MURKIN.

RE CHARLOTTE TEL TO BUREAU JULY TWENTY FOUR LAST.  
INASMUCH AS THERE CAN BE NO DOUBT THAT JAMES EARL RAY IS  
THE MURDERER OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., MEMPHIS DOES NOT  
RECOMMEND THAT CHARLOTTE MAKE ANY EFFORT TO IDENTITY THE  
ANONYMOUS CALLER WHO WAS IN TOUCH WITH THE "GREENSBORO RECORD"  
ON JULY TWENTY THIRD LAST. HOWEVER, IT IS SUGGESTED THAT  
CHARLOTTE MAKE SOME EFFORT TO OBTAIN THIS TAPE RECORDING  
IN ORDER THAT A VOICE COMPARISON MIGHT BE MADE BY THE FBI  
LABORATORY AT SOME LATER DATE. MEMPHIS SEES NO REASON WHY  
SUCH A COMPARISON SHOULD BE MADE IN THE FUTURE; HOWEVER, MEMPHIS  
BELIEVES WE SHOULD MAINTAIN THIS TAPE UNTIL IT CAN BE REASONABLY  
DETERMINED THAT THE NEWS MEDIA WILL NOT EXPLOIT THIS  
INDIVIDUAL'S ATTEMPTED ALIBI FOR THE SUBJECT. P.

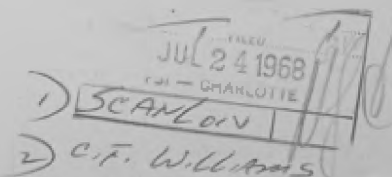
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SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)

7/23/68

SAC, JACKSONVILLE (44-769) (P)

MURKIN

Re CE teletype to Bureau, 5/8/68; CE airtel to ME, 5/8/68; Bureau airtel to JK, 5/10/68.

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On 5/21/68, JACK MAYNARD RAY was located at 1120 Madison Avenue, Daytona Beach, Florida, at which time he advised that he is of no relation to JAMES EARL RAY and that he has been living in the Daytona Beach area since 1965, and has not left the state since then.

RAY advised that to the best of his recollection an individual in Durham, N.C. had approached him in 1965 with "talk" of killing MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. RAY stated that he thought this person with whom he talked was named McLAMB. RAY continued that he did not know whether or not there was any group behind any of the "talk" with which he had been confronted, adding that any discussion he may have had with this individual had been very brief.

RAY said that about the only thing he does for money these days is shoplifting which provides him with enough money for his daily liquor.

On 5/20/68, Detective C.W. WILLITS, Daytona Beach PD, advised that although he did not know the exact present location of JACK MAYNARD RAY, he was fairly well acquainted with him. WILLITS stated that RAY is an alcoholic and was prone to fabricate tales to make himself sound important.

2 - Memphis  
① - Charlotte (44-1365) (Info)  
2 - Jacksonville  
SEH:pas  
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*C.S. Miller (Info)*

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC (44-1365)

FROM : SA MICHAEL J. SCANLON

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 7/24/68

At approximately 2:30 PM DAVE ALEXANDER, City Editor, "Greensboro Record," Greensboro, N. C., advised that that newspaper operates a "hot line" service which is the question and answer column which appears in each edition of the paper. He stated that the hot line is operated on a tape record in which messages are taken on tape by persons calling the hot line.

He stated that sometime, exact time which cannot be exactly specific, on the morning of 7/23/68, a male in what appears to be a normal voice called the hot line and furnished the following information:

*copy*

"I'd rather not give my name under the circumstances because I know JAMES EARL RAY is innocent because at the time, he was in Greensboro with me but I knew he was a fugitive. I cannot get involved. If the hot line would like to carry on further, put it in the paper and I will call you back again and if you will keep my name confidential from the police, so I cannot get involved, I can prove EARL RAY did not kill or assassinate (three second pause on tape) you know who."

Mr. ALEXANDER stated that he saw no sense in upsetting the public by publishing such an item and did not plan to publish this item at this time unless it would be of some value to a law enforcement agency. Mr. ALEXANDER was instructed and he agreed to keep this tape intact for one week because normally the tapes are erased one or two days after the calls are received and the information taken.



MJS:dh  
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*Teletype to  
Bureau & Memphis  
7/24/68  
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AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

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

Re Charlotte airtel to the Bureau 6/17/68, Milwaukee airtel to the Bureau 6/29/68, and Bureau airtel to Milwaukee 7/2/68.

The following investigation was conducted by  
SA JOHN L. DUFFY:

At Racine, Wisconsin

On June 27, 1968, [REDACTED] advised she had no further information to furnish and that to the best of her knowledge, the information previously furnished by her was true. She mentioned that she has maintained a close check on all telephone calls originating from Union Grove, Wis., in the event the unknown caller in question repeats his calls.

[REDACTED] again expressed her strong desire to remain completely anonymous regarding this matter.

The following investigation was conducted by  
SA DANIEL E. BRANDT:

At Milwaukee, Wisconsin

On July 9, 1968, contact was made with ROBERT WENZEL, General Security Supervisor, Wisconsin Telephone Company, 208 E. Wisconsin Avenue, Milwaukee, Wisconsin. He was requested to

- 3 - Bureau (AM)
  - ① - Charlotte (44-1365) (Info) (AM)
  - 2 - Memphis (44-1987) (AM)
  - 2 - Milwaukee
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*[Signature]*  
Crosby PDC

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attempt to locate long distance toll records for three calls made from an unknown telephone number, Union Grove, Wisconsin, to the following telephone numbers in Lenoir, North Carolina, on June 11, 1968:

704-758-2908;  
704-754-4930;  
704-758-2100.

On July 23, 1968, WENZEL advised a search had been made of toll call records covering Union Grove, Wisconsin, during the pertinent period, and that said search failed to locate any toll calls reflecting calls to the above numbers. He said that if the calls were made on a collect basis or if a credit card was used, the records would be found in North Carolina.

It is noted that in the original interview with [REDACTED] she advised that the unknown caller paid for his phone calls and also apparently was calling from a coin-operated telephone.

LEADS

MILWAUKEE DIVISION

At Kenosha, Racine, and Union Grove, Wisconsin

Will conduct credit and criminal checks on the name of ROBERT FRANKLIN SANDERS.

F B I

Date: **7/29/68**Transmit the following in \_\_\_\_\_  
(Type in plaintext or code)Via **Airtel** \_\_\_\_\_  
(Priority)

To: SAC, Charlotte  
From: Director, FBI (44-38861)  
MURKIN

ReCEtel dated 7/24/68 and MEtel dated 7/24/68.

Charlotte, if possible, should make effort to obtain the tape containing the recording of the anonymous caller to the "Greensboro Record" and submit to the FBI Laboratory. The FBI Laboratory may be able to use this tape in a voice comparison matter at a later date.

This tape recording should be obtained with no commitments whatsoever with the "Greensboro Record."

No active investigation should be conducted in this matter.

1 - SAC, Memphis (44-1987) (for info)

*SA [unclear] advised  
7/30/68 [unclear]*

*cc to [unclear]*

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Date: 7/31/68

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(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861), AND MEMPHIS (44-1987)  
FROM: CHARLOTTE (44-1365)

MURKIN.

RE MEMPHIS TELETYPE TO THE BUREAU AND CHARLOTTE DATED  
JULY TWENTY-FOUR, LAST, AND BUREAU AIRTEL TO CHARLOTTE DATED  
JULY TWENTY-NINE, LAST.

CARTRIDGE CONTAINING TELEPHONIC INQUIRY REGARDING  
JAMES EARL RAY OBTAINED FROM DAVE ALEXANDER, CITY EDITOR,  
GREENSBORO RECORD, GREENSBORO, N. C., JULY THIRTY, LAST,  
AND RECEIPT GIVEN. ALEXANDER ADVISED THAT SUBSEQUENT TO  
HIS ADVICE TO FBI OF EXISTENCE OF TAPE ON JULY TWENTY-FOUR,  
LAST, HE, ON JULY TWENTY-FOUR, LAST, TELEPHONICALLY CONTACTED  
ARTHUR HANES, ATTORNEY FOR RAY, IN MEMPHIS AND QUOTED TO  
HIM MESSAGE ON TAPE. HANES INDICATED INTEREST AND STATED HE  
WOULD BE IN CONTACT WITH ALEXANDER, BUT AS OF JULY THIRTY,  
LAST, HANES HAD NOT CONTACTED OR WRITTEN ALEXANDER REGARDING  
TAPE OR MESSAGE. NO COMMITMENTS MADE TO OWNER RE TAPE AND  
NO ACTIVE INVESTIGATION BEING CONDUCTED AT GREENSBORO  
REGARDING TAPE, WHICH WILL BE FORWARDED TO FBI LABORATORY SHORTLY.  
END

MJS:CG

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Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
Special Agent in Charge

Sent

10:41 BU AM  
10:49 ME AM

Per

JGC

8/2/68

AIRTEL

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

FROM: SAC, CHARLOTTE (44-1365) (P)

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Charlotte teletypes to Bureau dated 7/24/68 and 7/31/68; and Bureau airtel to Charlotte dated 7/29/68.

There is being furnished the Laboratory herewith a plastic container bearing the words "Code-A-Phone," which contains a tape recording of voices of individuals who contacted "The Hot Line" column of the "Greensboro Record" newspaper. According to Mr. DAVE ALEXANDER, City Editor of that newspaper, this tape contains the recorded message of an unidentified male who called the newspaper on 7/23/68 and indicated that he knew JAMES EARL RAY was innocent because RAY was in Greensboro, N. C. at the time of the assassination of MARTIN LUTHER KING.

The Bureau in referenced airtel instructed the Charlotte Office to obtain this tape and submit it to the FBI Laboratory inasmuch as the Laboratory may be able to use this tape in a voice comparison matter at a later date.

At this time no specific request is being made of the Laboratory. The decision as to what action should be taken is being left to the Bureau and Memphis. For the information of the Bureau and Laboratory, the tape being sent as an enclosure is played back on a "Code-A-Phone," Model 770, manufactured by Ford Industries, Incorporated, Portland, Oregon.

3 - Bureau (Encs. 1) (RM)  
1 - Memphis (Info) (44-1987)

2 - Charlotte

CFW:dmb

(6) dmb

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*C. F. Williams* *OK*

CE 44-1365

The "Greensboro Record" newspaper desires the return of this tape. When the tape is of no further value to the Laboratory, it is requested that it be returned to Charlotte in order that it may be given back to the newspaper.

8/2/68

A I R T E L

TO: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)  
FROM: SAC, CHARLOTTE (44-1365) (P)  
SUBJECT: MURKIN

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(a) Special Agent	3	0	3
(b) Clerical	1	0	1
		Total	<u>4</u>

2. TOTAL MILEAGE 20 miles

3. UNUSUAL or OUT OF ORDINARY COSTS NONE

4. PEAK NUMBER OF SPECIAL AGENTS WORKING ON  
CASE IN JULY

2 AGENTS

2 - Memphis  
② - Charlotte

CLW/lhh  
(4) *lhh*

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**The HOT LINE**

*The Hot Line gets answers, cuts red tape and stands up for your rights. Call 272-5635 or write The Hot Line at The Record, Box 20848, Greensboro 27420.*

**Ray Here?**

Q. I've heard it rumored that accused assassin James Earl Ray was in the Greensboro area on April 4, the day the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. was killed in Memphis. I've also heard that Ray was once sought on a fugitive warrant issued in the early 1960s at Winston-Salem. Is this so? Cindy.



RAY

A. Authorities say they know nothing of Ray's being here April 4. Winston-Salem and Forsyth law enforcement officials find no record of any fugitive warrant for Ray. If you know something definite, give Hot Line a call.

(Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

1 GREENSBORO RECORD  
Greensboro, N. C.

Date: 8-1-68  
Edition:  
Author:  
Editor:  
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Character:  
or  
Classification:  
Submitting Office: CE  
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8/5/68

AIRTEL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)  
FROM: SAC, CHARLOTTE (44-1365) (P)  
SUBJECT: MURKIN

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- 3 - Bureau (Encl. 2)
- 1 - Memphis (Encl. 1)
- ② - Charlotte

CFW:cbw

(6) *cbw*

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*C. F. Williams*

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CFW:cbw

(8) *cbw*

44-1365-770  
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*William R. ...*