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740PM URGENT 4-24-68 DJK

TO DIRECTOR, CHICAGO, BALTIMORE AND ST. LOUIS

FROM SPRINGFIELD (44-561) 6PP

MURKIN

MEDICAL RECORDS, QUINCY, ILLINOIS, INDICATE JAMES RAY,
AGE TEN IN NINETEEN THIRTY EIGHT, TREATED FOR AN EPILEPTIC
SEIZURE. ADDRESS AT THAT TIME AND OTHER RECORD INFORMATION
INDICATES THIS IS PROBABLY SUBJECT.

RUBY CARPENTER, EX-SECOND WIFE OF SUBJECT'S FATHER,

LOCATED, INTERVIEWED, AT QUINCYADVISED FATHER'S TRUE NAME

IS JAMES GERALD RAY, AKA JERRY, AND RESIDED AUGUST, NINETEEN

SIXTYONE TO AUGUST, NINETEEN SIXTY THREE AT RURAL ROUTE ONE,

CLARENCE, MISSOURI, AFTER WHICH HE MOVED TO PRESENT RESIDENCE

CENTER, MISSOURI. HE RESIDED IN ST. LOUIS FROM NINETEEN

FIFTY TWO THROUGH NINETEEN SIXTY ONE AT FOUR ONE FOUR NINE

WEST PINE. SUBJECT RESIDED WITH FATHER APPROXIMATELY

NINETEEN FIFTY NINE AT FOUR ONE FOUR NINE WEST PINE STREET

DURING WHICH TIME HE WORKED AS BAKER AT UNKNOWN COMMERCIAL

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BAKERY IN ST. LOUIS. ON OCCASIONS SUBJECT RESIDED WITH MOTHER. ONE NINE ONE THREE HICKORY STREET. ST. LOUIS AND ALSO HAD ROOM IN ST. LOUIS. ADDRESS UNKNOWN. RUBY HAS NOT SEEN SUBJECT SINCE NINETEEN SIXTY ONE AND HIS ASSOCIATES ARE UNKNOWN TO HER. ACCORDING TO RUBY, SUBJECT NEVER MARRIED. WAS CLOSER TO BROTHERS. JERRY AND JOHN. THAN TO ANYONE ELSE. SINCE LEARNING OF SUBJECT'S INVOLVEMENT IN NURKIN. RUBY HAS TALKED TO HIS FATHER AT CENTER. MISSOURI. ON APRIL TWENTY ONE LAST. AT WHICH TIME HE ADVISED HE DID NOT KNOW SUBJECT'S WHEREABOUTS AND HAS HAD NO CONTACT WITH HIM. RUBY TALKED TO SUBJECT'S SISTER. MELBA MARIE RYAN. QUINCY. ILLINOIS. AND MELBA LIKEVISE INDICATED NO INFORMATION CONCERNING WHEREABOUTS. RUBY BELIEVES SOMETIME DURING EARLY NINETEEN FORTIES SUBJECT'S FATHER RESIDED GALESBURG. ILLINOIS. WHERE EMPLOYED AS SWITCHMAN FOR CG AND O RAILROAD. SHE PROMISED TO COOPERATE AND REPORT SUBJECT IF LOCATED.

RECORDS, QUINCY COMPRESSOR, QUINCY, ILLINOIS, INDICATE
SUBJECT EMPLOYED AUGUST SIX, NINETEEN FIFTY ONE, THROUGH
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SEPTEMBER FOUR, NINETEEN FIFTY ONE. SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER

NO

ONE LOCATED WHO RECALLS. RECORDS INDICATE PRIOR EMPLOYMENT AVERY OR ARVEY CORPORATION, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, AS LABORER FOR ONE YEAR AND NEO PRODUCE COMPANY, CHICAGO, FOUR MONTHS, DATES NOT SHOWN.

RECORDS, SELECTIVE SERVICE BOARD NUMBER ONE,
QUINCY, SHOW SUBJECT REGISTERED APRIL THIRTEEN, NINETEEN FORTY
NINE, AT WHICH TIME OCCUPATION STUDENT, AMERICAN TELEVISION
SCHOOL, ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI.

GEORGE PARSONS (PROTECT IDENTIFY), SOCIAL WORKER, QUINCY, WHO TOOK CARE OF SISTER, MELBA, DURING NINETEEN FIFTIES, ADVISED SUBJECT CLOSEST TO BROTHERS, JOHN AND JERRY, AND HE IS CERTAIN THEY WOULD PROTECT HIM.

HAZEL HAMILTON, CASE WORKER, CATHOLIC CHARITIES, QUINCY, ILLINOIS, ADVISED FAMILY RESIDED DES MOINES, IOVA, SHORT PERIOD OF TIME NINETEEN FORTY TWO TO NINETEEN FORTY THREE AFTER WHICH MOVED TO QUINCY, ILLINOIS. PRIOR TO DES MOINES RESIDENCE, FAMILY LEFT EWING, MISSOURI.

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ADAMS COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT RECORDS INDICATE WHEN SUBJECT ARRESTED ALTON. ILLINOIS. AUGUST TVENTY. NINETEEN FIFTY NINE ON CHARGE ARMED ROBBERY HE HAD ACCOMPLICE. JOSEPH ELMER AUSTIN. THESE RECORDS ALSO INDICATE SUBJECT'S FATHER AS JERRY RAYNES. RESIDED ONE SEVEN TWO SEVEN SOUTH ELEVENTH STREET. ST. LOUIS. MISSOURI. JANUARY TWENTY EIGHT. NINETEEN SIXTY. PRIOR RESIDENCE FOUR ONE FOUR NINE WEST PINE STREET. ST. LOUIS. MISSOURI. OCTOBER SEVEN. MINETEEN FIFTY EIGHT. RECORDS ALSO INDICATE MOTHER AS LUCILLE RYAN RESIDED ONE ONE THREE FIVE SOUTH TENTH, APARTMENT EIGHT, ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI. AS OF OCTOBER SEVEN. NINETEEN FIFTY EIGHT. AND ONE NINE ONE THREE HICKORY STREET. ST. LOUIS. MISSOURI. AUGUST NINE. NINETEEN FIFTY NINE. THESE RECORDS SHOW CHILDREN MELBA. carole, and franklin. Who are sisters and brother of subject, ALL BORN LEVIS COUNTY. MISSOURI. RECORDS FURTHER INDICATE FATHER EMPLOYED FOR A NUMBER OF YEARS BY JACK RANDOLPH. J AND R AUTO SALES, FIVE NINE ZERO ONE SOUTH BROADWAY, ST. LOUIS. MISSOURI.

SI ONE SIX FIVE SIX DASH C WHO ISACQUAINTED WITH ASSOCIATE WALTER T. RIFE WORKING FULL TIME ON THIS CASE AND END PAGE FOUR

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IN DAILY CONTACT WITH HIS ASSOCIATES, QUINCY, ILLINOIS.

ST. LOUIS ATTEMPT TO LOCATE COMMERCIAL BAKERY WHICH EMPLOYED SUBJECT APPROXIMATELY NINETEEN FIFTY NINE AS BAKER. CHECK RECORDS; SET FORTH LEADS. CHECK RECORDS AMERICAN TELEVISION SCHOOL CONCERNING SUBJECT'S ATTEMDANCE THERE APRIL THIRTEEN, NINETEEN FORTY NINE. ASCERTAIN RESIDENCE DATA. IDENTIFY ASSOCIATES. CONDUCT NEIGHBORHOOD INVESTIGATIONS RESIDENCES ADDRESSES SHOWN YOUR TERRITORY AT ST. LOUIS. APPROPRIATE INQUIRY J AND R AUTO SALES AND AT LEWIS COUNTY, MISSOURI.

BALTIMORE UTILIZE INFORMATION FURNISHED ABOVE.

OMAHA INITIATE INQUIRIES DES MOINES, IOWA, CONCERNING
PRIOR RESIDENCE OF FAMILY THERE APPROXIMATELY MINETEEN
FORTY TWO TO MINETEEN FORTY THREE, NOTING FATHER WAS EMPLOYED
CB AND Q RAILROAD, ALTHOUGH SUBJECT WOULD HAVE BEEN ONLY
TEENAGER DURING RESIDENCE YOUR DIVISION.

CHICAGO CHECK RECORDS AVERY OR ARVEY CORPORATION AND NEO PRODUCE COMPANY FOR BACKGROUND DATA.

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BUREAU, FILE SPRINGFIELD DIVISION INDICATES JOSEPH
ELMER AUSTIN MAY BE IDENTICAL WITH SUBJECT FBI NUMBER EIGHT
TWO ONE SEVEN THREE THREE WITH EXTENSIVE RECORD INCLUDING
MURDER, ARMED ROBBERY, PAROLE VIOLATOR. BUREAU REQUESTED
TO FURNISH SPRINGFIELD AND INTERESTED OFFICES CURRENT
IDENTIFICATION RECORD FOR JOSEPH ELMER AUSTIN,
FBI NUMBER EIGHT TWO ONE SEVEN THREE THREE TO ASSIST IN
LOCATING FOR INTERVIEW.

INVESTIGATION CONTINUING SPRINGFIELD AT GALESBURG, ALTON, QUINCY BASED ON ABOVE.

COPIES MAILED MEMPHIS, BIRMINGHAM, OMAHA AND KANSAS CITY.

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820PM URGENT 4-24-68 SVW

TO DIRECTOR 44-38861 CHICAGO MINNEAPOLIS PHILADELPHIA ST. LOUIS FROM WASHINGTON FIELD 44-703 2P

MURKIN

RE WFO TELETYPE APRIL TWENTYFOUR INSTANT.

TODAY VETERANS ADMINISTRATION HEADQUARTERS, WASH., D.C.

ADVISED JAMES EARL RAY BORN , HAS BEEN
ASSIGNED VETERANS ADMINISTRATION (VA) CLAIM NUMBER SEVEN SIX
SIX ONE THREE FOUR ZERO. RE TELETYPE STATED FILE LOCATED
VA REGIONAL OFFICE, CHICAGO, ILL. LATER INFORMATION FROM
VA INDICES FILE IN VA RECORDS AT FEDERAL RECORDS CENTER,
ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI. ST. LOUIS REVIEW VA FILE.

CHICAGO ASCERTAIN IF VA REGIONAL OFFICE CHICAGO, ILL.

HAS ANY INFORMATION CONCERNING RAY.

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PHILADELPHIA AND MINNEAPOLIS ATTEMPT TO LOCATE VA
INSURANCE RECORDS CONCERNING RAY WHO HAS VA INSURANCE POLICY
NUMBER N ONE NINE EIGHT SIX EIGHT THREE THREE SIX.

AIR MAIL COPIES TO MEMPHIS AND KANSAS CITY.

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FBI CHICAGO

FBI NEWARK

9:10 @M URGENT 4-24-68 JON
TO DIRECTOR, ATLANTA, CHICAGO, MEMPHIS, NORFOLK
FROM NEWARK 44-854

MURKIN

RE CG TEL TO DIRECTOR APRIL TWO THREE LAST.

INDICATING BROTHER OF SUBJECT ONE JERRY WILLIAM RAY

NORTHBROOK, ILL., HAS BEEN IN CONTACT WITH MARJORIE FETTERS

TWO FOUR TWO ZERO ARNOLD ST., CAMDEN, NJ.

LILLIAN DICKINSON OWNER OF RESIDENCE TWENTY FOUR TWENTY ARNOLD ST.,
CAMDEN, NJ, ADVISED TODAY THAT MARJORIE FETTERS

RENTS A ROOM AT THIS ADDRESS. FETTERS ARRIVED IN CAMDEN, NJ,
DURING FEB. NINETEEN SIXTY-EIGHT. SHE CLAIMS TO HAVE

COME TO CAMDEN FROM MIAMI, FLA., AND WAS BROUGHT TO TWENTY

FOUR TWENTY ARNOLD ST., BY ONE JAMES DYER. DYER DESCRIBED

AS W/M, FORTY-FIVE YEARS OLD, FIVE FEET SIX INCHES, ONE HUNDRED

THIRTY FIVE LBS., WHO LEFT FETTERS AFTER SHE OBTAINED ROOMS

AND NEVER RETURNED. FETTERS LEARNED OF ROOM THROUGH NEWSPAPER

AD. SHE WAS PREGNANT WHEN SHE ARRIVED AND BABY DUE MOMENTARILY.

FETTERS IS NOT MARRIED TO DICKINSON'S KNOWLEDGE. FETTERS CLAIMED

TO HAVE WORKED AS GO-GO DANCER AND TOPLESS WAITRESS IN CALIF. AND FLA.

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ACCORDING TO DICKINSON. FETTERS ANSWERED A LONELY HEARTS TYPE AD IN A MAGAZINE OR NEWSPAPER ABOUT A MONTH AGO. AND APPROXIMATELY TWO WEEKS LATER. RECEIVED A LETTER FROM JERRY RAY. NORTHBROOK. ILL. FETTERS ANSWERED THE LETTER AND HAS BEEN CORRESPONDING EVER SINCE. DICKINSON DESCRIBED RAY AS BEING A "KOCK" IN THAT THE TENOR OF HIS LETTERS INDICATES HE WANTS TO BE DOMINATED BY FETTERS SHOULD THEY EVER LIVE TOGETHER. MAJORIE LOUISE FETTERS NEE JONES, AKA MARJORIE CARLUS. MRS. CHARLES CARLUS. MRS. CLYDE FETTERS, INTERVIEWED TODAY INDEPENDENTLY OF DICKINSON. SHE FURNISHED SUBSTANTIALLY THE SAME INFO AND ADMITS BEING FORMER "STRIPPER". SHE STATED SHE HAS BEEN CONTACTED IN THE PAST RE A WSTA MATTER IN NORFOLK. VA.. UNDER THE NAME MARJORIE JONES. . AT FAIRMONT. SHE DESCRIBED AS W/F. DOB W. VA.. FIVE FEET TWO INCHES, HAIR NATURALLY BROWN, BLEACHED BLONDE AND ALSO WORN RED. EYES BLUE, ONE TWENTY LBS., SEVERAL FACIAL SCARS, AND SEPERATED BUT NOT DIVORCED FROM CLYDE FETTERS. END PAGE TWO

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DURING FEB. SHE WROTE TO AN UNRECALLED POST OFFICE BOX SEEN IN AN EXPOSE TYPE NEWSPAPER. POSSIBLY THE CRONICLE WHICH SHE PURCHASED IN CAMDEN. NJ. SHE ANSWERED AN AD WHERE THE UNKNOWN WRITER DESCRIBED HIMSELF AAS A MALE WANTING TO BE DOMINATED BY A FEMALE. SHE PLACED A COMMUNICATION DESCRIBING HERSELF IN AN ENVELOPE UNADDRESSED WITH A STAMP ON IT AND IN TURN PLACED THIS ENVELOPE IN A SECOND ENVELOPE WHICH WAS ADDRESSED TO THE PO BOX WITH A DOLLAR ENCLOSED. THE RECEIVER OF THIS COMMUNICATION THEN FORWARDS THE ENCLOSED COMMUNICATION TO THE WRITER OF THE AD. IT WAS IN THIS MANNER THAT SHE BEGAN CORRESPONDING WITH JERRY RAY. SHE HAS NEVER SEEN RAY AND HE HAS NOT DISCUSED IN ANY OF HISLETTERS ANY OF HIS FAMILY OTHER THAN HIS HAVING A CHILD. SHE REFERS TO HIM AS A KOOK AND OBVIOUSLY NOT VERY SMART AND SHE STATED SHE MERELY WROTE TO THE NEWSPAPER FOR SOMETHING TO DO.

TODAY SHE RECEIVED A LETTER FROM HIM WHEREIN HE ENCLOSED
TWO PHOTOGRAPHS; INDICATES HE HAS CALLED HER ON THE TELEPHONE;
AND STATES HE WOULD SENT HER MONEY IF SHE NEEDED IT. THE LETTER
WHICH SHE MADE AVAILABLE STATES IN PART-" I'M GLAD YOU LIKE THE
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PICTURE OF MY SON". THE LETTER CONSISTS OF THREE AND AND ONE HALF PAGES AND WILL BE XEROXED AND COPIES FURNISHED CHICAGO.

FETTERS HAS INDICATED A WILLING NESS TO COOPERATE WITH
THE FBI AND STATED THAT SHE WILL WRITE JERRY RAY AND ATTEMPT
TO INQUIRY MORE ABOUT HIS FAMILY AND THORE IS A POSSIBILITY
HE AMY AGAIN TELEPHONE HER AT WHICH TIME SHE WILL MAKE
INQUIRY CONCERNING HIS FAMILY. SHE STATED SHE WILLNOT DIVULGE
THE FBI CONTACT AND THEREFORE CHICAGO SHOULD NOT INFORM
JERRY RAY AT THIS TIME OF OUR KNOWLEDGE OF MARJORIE FETTERS.

DURING ALL NIGHT SURVEILLANCE AT TWENTY FOUR TWENTY ARNOLD ST., CAMDEN, NJ, A NINETEEN SIXTY-TWO FOUR DOOR, HT CADILLAC, BEARING ILLINOIS LIC. - FOUR NINE THREE SIX FIVE ONE WAS OBSERVED IN THE DRIVEWAY. THE CHICAGO OFFICE TELEPHONICALLY ADVISED THAT THIS IS REGISTERED TO HAROLD AND PAT WARD, THIRTEEN ZERO ONE N. MAIN ST., BENTON, ILL. LILLIAN DICKINSON ADVISED WARD IS SAILOR WHO IS ATTENDING BOILERMAKER SCHOOL, PHILADELPHIANAVY YARD.

LEADS----

NORFOLK WILL ADVISE NK ANY PERTINENT INFO FROM END PAGE FOUR

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INDICES CONCERNING FETTERS WHO WAS KNOWN TO THAT OFFICE AS MARAJORIE JONES. ANY INFO AS TO HER RELIABILITY IS REQUESTED.

CHICAGO SHOULD NOT ADVISE JERRY RAY OF NK AND CGPS/ KNOWLEDGE OF MAJORIE FETTERS.

COPIES OF PHOTOGRAPHS ENCLOSED BY RAY WILL BE OBTAINED AND FORWARDED CHICAGO (CG) SO THEY CAN ADVISE WHETHER HE SENT PHOTOS OF HIMSELF OR SOME OTHER MALE.

MAIL COPY TP BIRMINGHAM.

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FBI ST LOUIS

1019PM URGENT 4-24-68 JHH

TO: DIRECTOR MEMPHIS KANSAS CITY CHICAGO SPRINGFIELD AND MINNEAPOLIS.

FROM: ST. LOUIS (44-775)

MURKIN - SUMMARY

JUNIOR RAY CONVAY, SHOT BY JAMES DAVID DAILEY NINETEEN SIXTYSIX, INTERVIEWED THIS DATE. COOPERATIVE, BUT UNABLE TO STATE ANY CONNECTION BETWEEN DAILEY AND SUBJECT.

CHECK OF SUBJECTS FINGERPRINTS AGAINST SLPD UNIDENTIFIED LATENTS NEGATIVE. SIMILAR CHECK BY SL COUNTY PD WILL BE COMPLETED TOMORROW.

US PROBATION OFFICE RECORD FOR SUBJECT SHOWS CONDITIONAL RELEASE, LEAVENWORTH, APRIL FIFTH FIFTYEIGHT, RESIDENCE BLACKSTONE HOTEL, EIGHT ONE SEVEN CHERRY, KCMO; WORKED IN FIRE DEPT., PAINT SHOP AND BAKING TRADE, INTENTION TO CONTACT BAKERY UNIONS FOR EMPLOYMENT, AND EVENTUALY TO GET BAKING JOB ON SHIPS TO SOUTH AMERICA. WORKED ONE DAY AT COUNTRY CLUB AND FOUR DAYS AT BAKERY SLMO. RECORDS BEING CHECKED FOR VERIFICATION AND POSSIBLE SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER.

WALTER NOLAN. FORMER MSP NUMBER FIVE SIX TWO NINE EIGHT,
REQUESTED IDENTITY BE KEPT CONFIDENTIAL, ADVISED HAS KNOWN
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RAY TEN YEARS AND TO HAVE BEEN HIS CLOSEST ASSOCIATE MSP. SAID
RAY WAS LONER, NO ONE REALLY CLOSE TO HIM, WAS IN CELL BY SELF,
CONSIDERS ALL EX CONS POTENTIAL STOOL PIGEONS AS HE WAS QUOTE

DONE IN END QUOTE BY SAME SEVERAL TIMES IN PRISON. WALKED PRISON
YARD WITH HIM DAILY, BUT LEARNED ONLY OF ONE UNNAMED BROTHER IN
CHICAGO AND WAS RAISED IN SMALL ILLINOIS TOWN. CLAIMED RAY ESCAPED
THIRTY DAYS BEFORE REPORTED AND THAT HE HAD WALKED OUT FRONT DOOR
INSTEAD OF IN BREAD BOX. RAY SPENT ALL SPARE MONEY FOR LAW BOOKS
SAID IF RAY KILLED KING IT WAS EMOTIONAL THING AND COMPLETELY
OUT OF CHARACTER AS RAY INDICATED NO RACIAL PREJUDICE.

SLPD RECORDS INDICATE AT TIME OF KROGER ROBBERY OCTOBER
FIFTYNINE, RAY WAS WANTED BY ALTON, ILL., PD FOR ARMED ROBBERY
IN WHICH ONE JOSEPH ELMER AUSTIN, WHO WAS IN CUSTODY ALTON WAS
IMPLICATED.
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HANNIBAL NO PD CHIEF ADVISED FORMER POLICEMAN ROY WILLIS, WHO PURCHASED CAR FROM RAY FOLLOWING P.O. MONEYORDER ARREST NINETEEN FIFTYFIVE, RESIGNED AUGUST FIFTYSEVEN. BELIEVED WENT TO MINNEAPOLIS AS INQUIRY RECEIVED FROM BF GOODRICH STORE, ONE

THREE ZERO ZERO NORTH COLLET, MINNEAPOLIS, DEC FFFTYSEVEN AS PROSPECTIVE IMPLOYER.

SPRINGFIELD CHECK ALTON PD RE AUSTIN IF NOT ALREADY DONE.

MINNEAPOLIS ATTEMPT LOCATE AND INTERVIEW WILLIS.

SUBJECT ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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NEWARK (44-854)

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FROM:

SAC CHICAGO (44-1114)

MURKIN.

RE CHICAGO TEL TO BUREAU, ET AL, APRIL TWENTY THREE LAST AND CHICAGO TEL CALL TO DETROIT, APRIL TWENTY THREE LAST.

RE: MARJORIE FETTERS.

NEWARK DIVISION TELEPHONICALLY ADVISED THAT INVESTIGATION
THERE DEVELOPED THAT FETTERS BEGAN CORRESPONDENCE WITH JERRY
RAY THROUGH LONELY HEARTS CLUB. NEWARK INTERVIEWING TO OBTAIN
ALL POSSIBLE INFO.

RE: JERRY RAY.

CHICAGO DIVISION WAS CONFIDENTIALLY ADVISED APRIL TWENTY
THREE LAST THAT JERRY RAY, SUBJECT'S BROTHER, WAS IN RECEIPT
OF TELEGRAM AT PO BOX TWENTY TWO, WHEELING, ILLINOIS. JERRY
PICKED UP TELEGRAM PRIOR TO CHICAGO DIVISION BEING ABLE TO
APPROPRIATELY DISCOVER THE CONTENTS. RECORDS OF WESTERN

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WOULD SERVICE WHEELING, ILLINOIS, COMPLETELY REVIEWED FOR THE

PAST THREE DAYS WITHOUT LOCATING COPY INSTANT TELEGRAM. MANAGER

ADVISES IF TELEGRAM MAILED, ONLY COPY MAINTAINED WOULD BE BY DETROIT ADVISED ALL RECORDS DESTROYED.

JERRY WILLIAM RAY REINTERVIEWED THIS DATE. MADE AVAILABLE ABOVE TELEGRAM WHICH WAS EFFORT OF "LIFE" MAGAZINE TO CONTACT HIM THROUGH PO BOX. JERRY CONTACTED "LIFE" THIS DATE, CLAIMED FURNISHED ONLY FAMILY INFO. (FOR STORY, WAS PAID ONE HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS. NOT CERTAIN WHETHER TO BE PUBLISHED THIS WEEK OR NEXT.

ADMITS KNOWING BROTHER JOHN'S LOCATION ST. LOUIS DURING PREVIOUS INTERVIEWS BUT LIED TO PROTECT JOHN'S INVESTMENT IN ILLEGAL PURCHASE OF BAR BY AN EX-CON. STATES HAS BEEN IN CONTACT WITH CAROL AND THAT UNCOOPERATIVE ATTITUDE OF BOTH CAROL AND JOHN AROSE FROM EXTENSIVE INQUIRY OF NEWS MEDIA IN NEIGHBORHOOD AND THAT BOTH WERE AFRAID OF PUBLICITY ADVERSELY AFFECTING THE BUSINESS, CAUSING THEM TO SELL OUT AND MOVE.

STATED ONLY PO BOX USED IS IN WHEELING, ILLINOIS, OTHER MAIL CARE OF SPORTSMEN COUNTRY CLUB. MADE NO MENTION PO BOX

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NORTHBROOK, ILLINOIS. MATTER NOT PRESSED PENDING OUTCOME INVESTIGATION AT NEWARK.

FINANCIAL MATTERS DISCUSSED. CLAIMS THAT ALL MONEY
EARNED EXPENDED ON UNSUCCESSFUL MARRIAGE, WITH EXCEPTION OF
PAST SEVERAL MONTHS WHERE HE HAS BEEN SENDING MONEY TO SISTER
CAROL PEPPER FOR DEPOSIT IN HER ACCOUNT, UNKNOWN BANK. HAS
RECORD OF AMOUNT SENT, SOME OF WHICH WOULD BE IN EXACT AMOUNT
OF HIS WEEKLY PAYCHECK, ONE HUNDRED THIRTEEN DOLLARS.

JERRY INTERVIEWED BY SAC AND ASAC, AT WHICH TIME HE PROMISED HIS COOPERATION AND NOTIFICATION IN EVENT OF CONTACT BY SUBJECT. SAID HE DOUBTED SUBJECT WOULD CONTACT HIM OR ANY OTHER MEMBER OF FAMILY. STEADFASTLY MAINTAINED HE NOR ANY MEMBER OF FAMILY HAS ANY KNOWLEDGE OF SUBJECT*S WHEREABOUTS SINCE ESCAPING FROM PRISON. CLOSE AND CONTINUOUS CONTACT BEING MAINTAINED WITH JERRY RAY AND SISTER SUSAN DONIAN.

ST. LOUIS WILL, THROUGH LOGICAL SOURCES, ATTEMPT TO

DETERMINE BANK WHERE SISTER CAROL MAINTAINS SAVINGS ACCOUNT

AND APPROPRIATELY REVIEW.

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FBI CHICAGO

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11:45 AM URGENT 4/25/68 PXB

TO DIRECTOR (44-3886), BUFFALO, MEMPHIS (44-1987)

EARL E/RA CHICAGO (44-1114). KANSAS CITY. SPRINGFIELD (44-561)

FROM ALBANY (44-493) IP

MURKIN.

RE ALBANY IT. APRIL TWENTYTHREE LAST.

ERNEST THRIFT, WHO HAS BEEN MANAGER ALBANY COUNTRY CLUB, GUILDERLAND, NY. FOR THREE YEARS. STATES NO RECORDS KEPT OF OLD EMPLOYEES. ROBERT LA FAVE, MAINTENANCE ENGINEER, ALBANY COUNTRY CLUB; DUANE SKINNER, FORMER MANAGER. ALBANY COUNTRY CLUB; CHARLES G. CAMPBELL, ASSISTANT PRO. ALBANY COUNTRY CLUB. ALL ADVISED RECALLED EARL EVERET RAY. WHO WAS EMPLOYED AT OLD ALBANY COUNTRY CLUB THEN LOCATED ALBANY. NY. AS HOUSEMAN FOR PERIOD OF APPROXIMATELY TWO YEARS WITH RESIDENCE AT COUNTRY CLUB. COULD FURNISH NO ADDITIONAL BACKGROUND INFORMATION ON HIM. KNEW OF NO VISITROS HE HAD AND WERE UNABLE TO IDENTIFY PHOTOGRAPH OF SUBJECT. JAMES EARL RAY. ALL ADVISED NO OTHER EMPLOYEES PRESENTLY AVAILABLE WHO WOULD HAVE KNOWN EARL EVERET RAY. P

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1220PM URGENT 4/25/68 BLE

TO DIRECTOR (44-38861), MEMPHIS (44-1987), CHICAGO (44-1114),

NEW HAVEN. CLEVELAND, AND PHOENIX

FROM CINCINNATI (157-1893) 2P

MURKIN

RE CG TEL, APRIL SEVENTEEN LAST.

RE ADVERTISING - SUPERIOR BULK FILM COMPANY.

RETEL REQUESTED GINCINNATI TO REVIEW SUBSCRIBERS OF MODERN PHOTOGRAPHY MAGAZINE, TWO ONE SIX ZERO PATTERSON STREET RE GALT AND ALIASES SET FORTH RETEL.

ON APRIL TWENTY-FOUR, TWENTY-FIVE, SIXTY-EIGHT, ROBERT BRIDGES, DATA PROCESSER, ABOVE MAGAZINE, COMPLETED REVIEW OF SUBSCRIBERS RE ABOVE ALIASES AND ADDITIONALLY THE NAME JAMES EARL RAY AND FURNISHED FOLLOWING POSSIBLES ONLY:

JOHN C. WILLARD, FORTY-NINE BROAD STREET, WETHERSFIELD, CON-

JAMES RAY, TWO FOUR NINE ZERO LEE BOULEVARD, CLEVELAND HEIGHTS, OHIO.

JAMES RAY, ONE SIX TWO S. LAZONA DRIVE, MESA, ARIZONA.

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NEW HAVEN, CLEVELAND, AND PHOENIX WILL IDENTIFY ABOVE SUBSCRIBERS.

MAKE NO MENTION INQUIRIES CONCERNING CAPTIONED MATTER.

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1209 PM URGENT 4-25-68 MCP

TO KANSAS CITY, SPRINGFIELD, AND CHICAGO FROM MEMPHIS 44-1987 1 P

MURKIN.

THE BUREAU BY TEL APRIL TWENTYFOUR PAST TO MEMPHIS AND
KANSAS CITY DESIGNATED OO AS MEMPHIS IN ENTIRE MATTER. REQUEST
MADE OF KANSAS CITY THAT IT SHOULD FORWARD APPROPRIATE COPIES
ALL COMMUNICATIONS IN ITS FILE TO MEMPHIS. MEMPHIS THEREAFTER
WILL SUBMIT SUMMARY TO ALL OFFICES SO THAT SUBSEQUENT LOGICAL
INVESTIGATION MAY BE CONDUCTED.

KANSAS CITY, SPRINGFIELD, AND CHICAGO REQUESTED SUBMIT

APPROPRIATE DATEA CONCERNING RELATIVES INTERVIEWED AND LOCATION

RELATIVES IN RESPECTIVE DIVISIONS SO THAT MEMPHIS HAS ALL

PERTINENT INFO FOR ITS SUMMARY.

SUBMIT PROMPTLY.

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	TO: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)	
	FROM: SAC, CHICAGO (44-1114) P	
	MURKIN. OO MEMPHIS	
	REURTEL TODAY, RE RELATIVES SUBJECT.	
	BROTHER, JERRY WILLIAM RAY, AKA JERRY WILLIAM	/E THIRTYFIVE
	NORTHBROOK, ILLINOIS, WORKING NIGHTS AS MAINTENANCE	
	HE IS WM, BORN AT QUINCY, II	LINOIS, FIVE
	FOOT TEN, ONE SEVENTY LBS., BROWN HAIR RECEDING HAIRI	LINE, BROWN
	EYES. RECEIVES MAIL BOX TWO TWO, WHEELING, ILLINOIS	AND AT CLUB.
	HAS SECRET BOX NUMBER ONE TWENTY, NORTHBROOK, ILLINOI	IS, FOR
	USE IN LONELY HEART CORRESPONDENCE WITH MARJORIE FETT	TERS, CAMDEN,
	NEW JERSEY. FETTERS COOPERATING, DO NOT DISCLOSE, ONL CO Press is P.O. Box Two Two. Wheeling, 126. SISTER, SUSAN JANE RYAN DONIAN, HUSBANI	MICHAEL,
	RESIDES THREE FOUR ONE FOUR WEST BRYN MAWR, CHICAGO,	ILLINOIS,
	SHE EMPLOYED HOUSEWIFE, HUSBAND EMPLOYED ASSISTANT MA	ANAGER,
	JODYS DRIVE IN, DEVON AND KEDZIE, CHICAGO.	
	MEMPHIS HAS RECEIVED COPIES ALL TELETY:	PES RE
6	INTERVIEWS THESE RELATIVES. FILED	
	JERRY WILLIAM RAY TODAY ADVISED JERRY	CAYNES, CENTER,
	MISSOURI, IS FATHER OF ALL CHILDREN OF JERRY AND LUCT	ILLE. A & D.
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FBI ST LOUIS

207 PM URGENT 4-25-68 MJD

TO DIRECTOR (44-38861) CHICAGO, MEMPHIS

FROM ST. LOUIS (44-775)



MURKIN

RE WFO TEL TO DIRECTOR, CHICAGO, MINNEAPOLIS, PHILADELPHIS
AND ST. LOUIS, APRIL TWENTYFOUR, LAST.

ON APRIL TWENTYFIVE, INSTANT, REVIEW OF RECORDS, VETERANS

ADMINISTRATION (VA) RECORD PROCESSING CENTER, SLMO, DISCLOSED

JAMES E. RAY, BORN

, ALTON, ILL., U. S.

ARMY SN ONE SIX ONE SIX THREE ONE TWO NINE, VA CLAIN FOR EDUCATION

CSEVEN SIX SIX ONE THREE FOUR ZERO, FILED CLAIN FOR EDUCATION

OR TRAINING ALLOWANCE ON APRIL NINETEEN, FORTYNINE, AT VA

REGIONAL OFFICE, CHICAGO, ILL.

ADDITIONAL DETAILS CONCERNING THIS CLAIM NOT SHOWN. CLAIM

FILE INDICATED RAY'S REHABILITATION AND EDUCATION FOLDER

RETIRED TO FEDERAL RECORD CENTER, CHICAGO, ILL., MARCH FIFTEEN,

FIFTYFIVE.

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ADDRESSES FOR RAY SHOWN AS FIVE ZERO FIVE ZERO NORTH
BROADWAY, APRIL FORTYNINE, AND FOUR FIVE NINE ST. JAMES
PLACE, NOVEMBER FIFTY, BOTH IN CHICAGO, ILL.

NO FURTHER INFORMATION NOTED WITH THE EXCEPTION OF MISCELLANEOUS PAPERS VERIFYING RAY'S MILITARY SERVICE.

CHCIAGO LOCATE AND REVIEW RAY'S REHABILITATION AND EDUCATION FOLDER FOR ALL PERTINENT INFORMATION. CONDUCT NEIGHBORHOOD INVESTIGATION AT ABOVE ADDRESSES IF NOT ALREADY DONE.

AN COPIES TO KANSAS CITY AND MEMPHIS.

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11-54AM URGENT 4-24-68 NJZ

TO DIRECTOR CHARLOTTE SAN DIEGO CHICAGO AND SAN FRANCISCO

CHICAGO AND SAN FRAN VIA WASHINGTON

FROM LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

MURKIN.

RE DR THEODORE L. EVANS AND WIFE DOLORES AKA DODYE EVANS.

SENT BY CODED

RECORDS OF PACIFIC TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH COMPANY

LOS ANGELES REFLECT LONG DISTANCE CALLS PLACED FROM

TELEPHONE OF DR EVANS DURING FEBRUARY, MARCH AND APRIL NINETEEN

SIXTY EIGHT TO SAN FRANCISCO FOUR ONE FIVE DASH SEVEN THREE ONE DASH

ONE SIX FOUR ZERO; SAN DIEGO SEVEN ONE FOUR DASH TWO SIX TWO DASH

ONE SIX EIGHT FIVE; CHICAGO THREE ONE TWO DASH THREE SIX THREE DASH

EIGHT SEVEN NINE FOUR; AND SALISBURY, NORTH CAROLINA SEVEN ZERO FOUR

DASH SIX THREE THREE DASH TWO FIVE ZERO SIX.

AND RESULTS FORWARDED TO LOS ANGELES.

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TO:	SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)	S-#2 S-#3
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SUB	JECT: MURKIN (OO: MEMPHIS)	
	Re: Suspect JOSEPH CLAYTON MONTAGNE	
	Re Chicago Teletype, April 20, 1967.	
unk	LUCILLE HASSEY, Montgomery, Alabama, r BURN visited her home 4/17/68. His whereabou nown except reportedly planned to seek employ tinental Gin Company, Prattville, Alabama.	uts are
emp	Inquiry at Continental Gin Company rev BURN not employed. He did resign April 17, I loyment at Prattville, HILBURN employed BILL tion 3266 West Devon Ave., Chicago, Ill.	1968. B efore
	Mobile continuing efforts to locate HI	LBURN.
	Chicago inquire BILL'S Standard Stati	lon, Chicago.
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TO: SAC, CHICAGO

FROM: SAC. SPRINGFIELD (44-561)

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re telephone calls Newark to Chicago to Springfield.

On 4/24/68 records Auto registration, Department of Motor Vehicles, reveal 1968 Illinois license 493-651 issued to HAROLD and/or PATRICIA WARD, 1301 North Main, Benton, Illinois, for use on a 1962 Cadillac, VIN 62B122668.

Springfield indices negative re HAROLD and PATRICIA WARD. Also driver's license, Department of Motor Vehicles.

Chief of Police KEN EUBANKS, Benton, Illinois, Police Department, advised MACK WARD, an elderly miner employed at Orient #5, Logan, Illinois, for some years, resides at 1301 North Main. He has a son DAVID E. WARD at the same address as of 1966 City Directory and DAVID is married to MARGARET or MARGERY. DAVID is employed as a service station attendant.

MACK and MARGARET WARD, 1301 North Main, Benton, Illinois, during a pretext inquiry, advised the following information:

HAROLD is their son, who is married to PATRICIA, nee ACKLY, who have two infant sons. PATRICIA previously resided 1545 Flicker Drive, Florissant, Missouri. HAROLD has been in the United States Navy approximately three years having just returned from Vietnam and is currently attending Navy training school in Pennsylvania, possibly Philadelphia, and his present address is 2420 Arnold Street, Camden, New Jersey. HAROLD and his family left Benton approximately

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3/26/68 and arrived Camden, New Jersey, the following Friday or Saturday. This is their first trip to Camera and to the best of their knowledge, neither HAROLD nor his wife knew any individuals in Camden prior to their arrival.

MACK WARD also advised that HAROLD owns and is presently driving a greyish colored 1962 Cadillac.

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Illinois St Ref	Earl Ray #A-2632	3-27-20	petty larceny	l yr
PD Quincy Ill	Earl Ray	6-1-21	vag	sent to WH for 134½ das
PD Sacramento Calif	Earl Ray #9782-A	7-3-22	inv	rel 7-5-22
PD Keokuk Iowa	Earl Everett Ray #38	12-17-22	rape and rob	taken to Quincy Ill by Sheriff of Adams County
SP Menard Ill	Earl Ray #5786	2-18-23	rape	1 yr
PD Lincoln Nebr	Earl Ray #1083	7-14-24	inv stole car in Foul Co Kans robbed 4 homes in Kans and Nebr	St Sheriff Lincoln Nebr
SP Menard Ill	Earl Ray #6588	2-11-25	assault to kill	1 to 14 yrs *8 yrs and 3 mos disch
SO Bloomington	Earl Ray #	8-23-33	carrying - concealed weapon	
SF Vandalia Ill	Earl Ray #B-370	9-4-33	carrying concealed weapons	6 mos
PD Quincy Ill	James Ryan	3-4-34	grand larceny	\$1000 bond to circuit court
SF Vandalia Ill	Earl Ray #B-1202	5-25-34		ED 6 margoexed

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PD Alton Ill	Joe May #41#	2-5-25	not given	
SO Edwardsville Ill	Joe Ray #	2- 9 - 35	suspect	
PD Peoria Ill	Earl Everette Ray #14439	8-15-41	hold - inv	rel by Capt
Alaska Travel Control Seattle Wash	Earl Everett Ray #B-1289-E	inquiry 6-18-43		
ASF War Dept	Earl Everett Ray #88-MHK-25	Second Cook 6-5-43		
PD Wilmington Del	Earl Everett Ray #DU644238	Laborer 1-29-44		
PD Ft Worth Texas	James Patrick Clancy #EX-64465	11-27-47	inv	rel'd
PD Kans City Mo	Earl E. Ray #62428	7-5-48	Inv unlawful flight to avoid pros	7-8-48 rel to Fed
SO Kans City Mo	Earl Everett Ray	7-7-48	unlawful flight	7-13-48 hold
USM Kans City Mo	#18476 Earl Everette Ray #9819 K C Mo	7-7-48	unlawful flight fr Justice	for gov't Pending 7-13-49 ret to USM So Dist Ill
PD Springfield Ill	Earl E. Ray	7-13-48	unlawful flight	Springfield Ill
SP Menard Ill	#10785 Earl Ray	10-4-48	aslt to comm	3-10 yrs 1-3-55
PD Kans City Mo	#21025 Earl Everett Ray #62428	11-13-55	mayhem Inv Operating Veh with No Lic	disch exp of sen rel to Mo St Hwy Pat 11-14-55

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TO:

Date 4-23-68

SAC, Springfield

Your inquiry 4-23-68

Re: SI Tel 11:24 A.M.

RE: MURKIN

🔀 Attached furnished in reply to your inquiry. Attached furnished in compliance with request from Only record available attached. This matter is receiving attention and you will be advised at an early date. Supplementing FBI Laboratory report dated Records FBI # are furnished since there is a possibility that one may pertain to the subject in whom you are interested. Fingerprint files fail to disclose Confirming FBI wire of] A wanted notice has not been placed as subject appears to be in custody. When you no longer desire your notice maintained, please advise. If you determine subject to be in custody, please advise so that your notice may be canceled. Subject of your inquiry searched in name indices only. Enclosed record(s) possibly identical. If identical, resubmit request and wanted (or flash) notice will be placed. ceil If it is determined that the subject of this record is not the individual in whom you are interested, please advise. Your communication is returned. DENT RAJE

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Copy to: SAC, Chicago SAC, Kansas City

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SAC, KANSAS	S-#3 S-#4
FROM: SAC, SPRINGFIELD (44-561) (3 P) ···.S-#5
MURKIN	
WALTER TERRY RIFE REINTERVIEWED. JOHN DAVID	DAILY UNKNOWN
	/
TO RIFE. RIFE STATES WILLIARD J. MC BRIDE A FICT	
FROM WHOM HE AND RAY CLAIMED THEY PURCHASED THE S	TOLEN MONEY
ORDERS FROM KELLERVILLE, ILLINOIS POST OFFICE BURG	GLARY IN
NINETEEN FIFTYFIVE. RIFE USED NAME OF VERNON ELM	O/RIFE ON
FIRST ARREST WHEN FINGERPRINTED. FOR THIS REASON	NAME OF
VERNON ELMO RIFE COULD BE SHOWN AS ASSOCIATE OF R.	AY IN
JACKSON COUNTY JAIL, KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI, WHEN	ACTUALLY
WAS WALTER RIFE.	
RIFE STATED ONLY VISITORS TO JACKSON COUNTY	JAIL FOR
EITHER HE OR RAY WERE FBI AGENTS WHO INTERVIEWED	BOTH CON-
CERNING A BANK ROBBERY AT HULL, ILLINOIS. RIFE D	ID NOT KNOW
ANY COIN IN NEW ORLEANS AND KNOWS OF NO ASSOCIATE	OF RAY IN
NEW ORLEANS. RIFE AND RAY MET A WILLIAM COHEN IN	KANSAS CITY
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IN NINETEEN FIFTYFIVE, RE PASSING OF POSTAL MONEY ORDERS.

THIS WAS A MAN FIFTYFIVE TO SIXTY YEARS OF AGE, DARK SKIN,

GRAY HEADED, PROBABLY WOULD BE KNOWN TO KANSAS CITY PD.

RIFE HAS NO BACKGROUND ON THIS INDIVIDUAL.

RIFE STATED RAY WAS PREJUDICE AGAINST NEGROES IN A
GENERAL WAY, HAS NEVER KNOWN RAY TO BELONG TO ANY ORGANIZATION
OR TO MAKE ANY THREAT AGAINST NEGROES.

NO RECORD OF JOHN DAVID DAILY IN QUINCY. NO RECORD OF GEORGE J. ROBERTS AND SONS UNDERTAKERS IN QUINCY. LINDWOOD NONEXISTANT STREET IN QUINCY. NO RECORD OF NORMAN J. ROBERTS IN QUINCY, TWO FOUR ZERO ZERO MAIN NONEXISTANT IN QUINCY.

SI ONE SIX FIVE SIX - C VERY CLOSE ASSOCIATE OF RIFE,

STATES RIFE DEFINITELY PULLED BURGLARY OF KELLERVILLE

POST OFFICE IN NINETEEN FIFTYFIVE BUT WILL NOT ADMIT TO

BURGLARY.

KANSAS CITY WILL ATTEMPT TO LOCATE WILLIAM COHEN IN KANSAS CITY.

ALBANY, AT ALBANY, WILL ATTEMPT TO LOCATE NORMAN J.

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ROBERTS AND GEORGE J. ROBERTS. P.

AIR MAIL COPIES SENT TO MEMPHIS, BIRMINGHAM, NEW ORLEANS, ATLANTA, CHICAGO, AND ST. LOUIS. P. END.

Special Agent in Charge

FBI DALLAS

426PM URGENT 4-25-68 LMB

TO CHICAGO

FROM DALLAS (44-2649) 1P

MURKIN.

RE BIRMINGHAM TEL TO CHICAGO AN D DALLAS, APRIL TWENTYFOUR LAST; CHICAGO TEL TO BIRMINGHAM, APRIL NINETEEN LAST.

EDGAR FLOYD BORDEN, TWO SEVEN TWO FIVE JOHAR ST., SAN ANGELO, TEXAS, INTERVIEWED APRIL TWENTYFIVE INSTANT AND NOT IDENTICAL WITH SUBJECT JAMES EARL RAY.

BORDEN STATED WAS IN SAN ANGELO, TEXAS, ON EVENING OF KING MURDER.

BORDEN STATED HE FORMERLY OWNED SIXTYSIX CHEVELLE, BLUE COLOR,

WITH TWO REAR RADIO ANTENNAS, BEARING ALABAMA LICENSE FOUR TWO - SEVEN

EIGHT SIX SIX, AND CAR STILL REGISTERED IN HIS NAME. HOWEVER, BORDEN

SOLD VEHICLE TO RUSSELL RALPH, TWO THREE FOUR FOUR S. SACRAMENTO.

CHICAGO, ILLINOIA, AND TITLE NOT CHANGED IN NAME AS YET.

BORDEN STATES RUSSELL RALPH IS W/M, TWENTYFOUR YEARS, SIX FEET,
TWO HUNDRED TWENTY, BROWN HAIR, TRUCK DRIVER, AND BEARS NO
RESEMBLANCE WHATSOEVER TO SUBJECT RAY'S PHOTO.

/ CHICAGO. AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS. WILL CHECK OUT RUSSELL RALPH FOR

IDENTITY AND ELIMATION PURPOSES.

BIRMINGHAM ADVISED AM. P

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FROM: SAC, CHICAGO (44-1114)

MURKIN.

RE CHICAGO TEL TO BIRMINGHAM, APRIL NINETEEN LAST, AND BIRMINGHAM TEL TO CHICAGO AND DALLAS APRIL TWENTY FOUR LAST.

RUSSELL MILLER, ONE EIGHT ONE ONE SOUTH ASHLAND, CHICAGO, TELEPHONICALLY CONTACTED THIS OFFICE ADVISING THAT HE HAS TAKEN OVER PAYMENTS FOR THE CAR BELONGING TO EDGAR F. BORDEN, WHICH CAR BEARS ALABAMA LICENSE TAGS FOUR TWO - SEVEN EIGHT SIX SIX. MILLER WILL BE LOCATED AND INTERVIEWED THIS DIVISION. DALLAS DISCONTINUE EFFORTS TO LOCATE EDGAR F. BORDEN. AM CC BIRMINGHAM AND MEMPHIS.

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MURKIN.

RE JAMES EARL RAY BACKGROUND.

RE SPRINGFIELD TEL. APRIL TWENTYFOUR. LAST.ADVISING SELECTIVE SERVICE RECORDS REFLECT SUBJECT INDICATED OCCUPATION STUDENT. AMERICAN TELEVISION SCHOOL. SLNO. IN APRIL. FORTYNINE.

KENNETH K. LANDESS, FORMER DISTRICT MANAGER, AMERICAN TELEVISION, INC., SLMO, ADVISED ST. LOUIS HAD ONLY ENROLLMENT OFFICE AND SCHOOL ACTUALLY LOCATED IN CHICAGO. ILL. ST. LOUIS AMERICAN PECDED SPOUND CHECK ALL BACK SPOUND OFFICE CLOSED IN FORTYNINE AND ALL RECORDS FORWARDED TO CHICAGO. SUBJECT UNKNOWN TO LANDESS.

CHICAGO ENDEAVOR TO CHECK RECORDS.

MEMPHIS ADVISED AIRMAIL.

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FBI SPRNGFLD

515PM URGENT 4-25-68 DMJ

TO DIRECTOR, (MAIL) AND CHICAGO AND ST. LOUIS

FROM SPRINGFIELD (44-561)

MURKIN: CIVIL RIGHTS

RE MINNEAPOLIS TEL THIS DATE.

FOR THE INFORMATION OF CHICAGO RCY WILLIS, SIX FIVE ZERO EIGHT FIFTEENTH AVENUE SOUTH, RICHFIELD, MINNESOTA, ADVISED HE WAS FORMER POLICE OFFICER WITH HANNIBAL, MISSOURI PD. WILLIS ADVISED HE VAGUELY RECALLED JAMES EARL RAY BEING HELD IN HANNIBAL FOR FEDERAL AUTHORITIES. WILLIS ADVISED HE DID NOT BUY A CAR FROM RAY BUR RAY ASKED HIM TO SELL IT FOR HIM. WILLIS STATED HE BELIEVES INSTANT VEHICLE TO HAVE BEEN AN OLD MODEL LINCOLN WHICH HE FINALLY SOLD SOMETIME AFTER RAY HAD BEEN TRANSFERRED TO U. S. PENITENTIARY, LEAVVNWORTH, KANSAS. WILLIA STATED HE BELIEVES HE WAS TO SELL THE CAR AND FORWARD PROCEEDS FROM SALE TO SOMEONE, NAME NOT RECALLED, IN QUINCY, ILLINOIS. WILLIS STATED HE BELIEVES RAY WROTE AT LEAST ONE LETTER TO HIM CONCERNING SALE OF THE CAR FROM THE U. S. PENITENTIARY,

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LEAVENWORTH. WILLIS DOES NOT RECALL TO WHOM INSTANT VEHICLE WAS SOLD OR HOW THE VEHICLE WAS PAID FOR. WILLIS ADVISED TO BEST OF HIS RECOLLECTION, RAY, IN NINETEEN FIFTY-FIVE, WAS FRIENDLY WITH A POLICE CHARACTER BY NAME OF BUDDY BATCHELBER OR BATCHELOR, WHO HAD HAD NUMEROUS ARRESTS BOTH IN HANNIBAL, MISSOURI, AND QUINCY, ILLINOIS, FOR BURGLARY, PROSTITUTION, ETC.

WILLIS STATED HE RECALLS BATCHELDER AS BEING
WHITE MALE, ABOUT SAME AGE AS RAY AND BEING SHORT AND STOCKY.
WILLIS STATED HE IS CERTAIN THAT SOME OF THE OLD-TIME OFFICERS
WOULD BE ABLE TO IDENTIFY BATCHELDER.

FRIENDLY WITH THE OWNER OF ALABI TAVERN, WHOSE NAME WILLIS
RECALLED AS SOMETHING LIKE CHARLIE GUNN. WILLIS STATED HE
SEEMS TO RECALL SOME INVESTIGATION BEING CONDUCTED CONCERNING
RAY N. BOXELDER AND A COUPLE OF GIRLS FROM QUINCY.

INVESTIGATION AT SPRINGFIELD REVEALED ABOVE INDIVIDUAL
TO BE MILTON DEAN BATCHELDER. AKA BUCKY, FBI NUMBER FIVE FOUR
EIGHT THREE ONE TWO B, WHITE MALE, DATE OF BIRTH

, AT QUINCY, ILLINOIS. CHECKS AT

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MENARD STATE PRISON, REVEALED BATCHELDER TRANSFERRED TO JOLIET BRANCH, ILLINOIS STATE PENITENTIARY ON SEPTEMBER SEVEN, NINETEEN SIXTY SIX.

CHICAGO AT JOLIET INTERVIEW BATCHELDER RE SUBJECT RAY,

AND ASSOCIATES.

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		DIRECTOR, CHICAGO AND MEM	VISTATION	
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	ADVISED TODAY VA CLAIM FILE NUMBER SEVEN SIX SIX ONE THREE			
	FOUR ZERO, INACTIVE SINCE MARCH FIFTEEN, FIFTY-FIVE AND			
	RETIRED TO FE	EDERAL RECORDS CENTER, CHI	CAGO, AND SUBSI	EQUENTLY
	FORWARDED TO	VA RECORD PROCESSING CENT	TER, FOUR THREE	ZERO ZERO
	GOODFELLOW BO	OULEVARD, BUILDING ONE ZER	RO FOUR E, ST.	LOUIS,
	MISSOURI.			
	BILL CI	RONE, ADMINISTRATIVE DIVIS	SION, VA REGIONA	AL OFFICE,
	CHICAGO, ADVI	ISED TODAY THE INACTIVE R	REHABILITATION A	AND
	EDUCATION FO	OLDERS, INCLUDING RAY'S, WE	ERE DESTROYED A	PPROXIMATELY
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FOR THE INFO INDIANAPOLIS, REFERENCED TELETYPE REQUESTED DETROIT INTERVIEW RAYMOND SHERMAN ROBBINS, RICHARD DIX SCHERMERHORN AND GARY JAMES SMITH REGARDING AN UNSUB, MEL (LNU), ALLEGEDLY INVOLVED WITH THOSE THREE IN BRS IN DETROIT DIVISION, IN EFFORT TO DETERMINE IF MEL MIGHT BE IDENTICAL WITH JAMES EARL RAY.

MEL (LNU) DESCRIBED AS WHITE MALE, TWENTY TO TWENTY FIVE YEARS. FIVE FOOT NINE. ONE HUNDRED SIXTY LBS.. LIGHT BLOND HAIR.

ROBBINS AND SCHERMERHORN PICKED MAL (LNU) UP IN MAY, SIXTY SEVEN, WHILE HE WAS HITCHHIKING ON OHIO. MEL INDICATED HE WAS EN ROUTE HOME, POSSIBLY BUFFALO, NY, OR CHICAGO, ILL. MEL SUBSEQUENTLY TOOK PART IN THE AR OF GENESEE MERCHANTS BANK AND TRUST, FLINT, MICH., MAY FOUR, SIXTY SEVEN, AND AMERICAN SAVINGS

AND LOAN, DETROIT, MAY FIVE, SIXTY SEVEN.

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SCHERMERHORN WAS SHOWN PHOTOS OF JAMES EARL RAY APRIL
TWENTY FOUR, LAST, AND HE INDICATED JAMES EARL RAY AND MEL (LNU)
WERE NOT IDENTICAL.

A REVIEW OF THE DETROIT FILE INDICATES RAYMOND SHERMAN ROBBINS WAS SENTENCED, USDC, DETROIT, FEBRUARY FOURTEEN, LAST, FOR BR AND IS NOW AN INMATE OF US PRISON, TERRE HAUTE, IND. FILE ALSO INDICATES GARY JAMES SMITH NEVER VISUALLY OBSERVED MEL (LNU), AND WOULD NOT BE IN A POSITION TO ADVISE WHETHER MEL AND JAMES EARL RAY WERE IDENTICAL.

INDIANAPOLIS INTERVIEW RAYMOND SHERMAN ROBBINS AND ASCERTAIN IF HER FEELS MEL MIGHT BE IDENTICAL TO JAMES EARL RAY.

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CORR PAGE ONE LINE NINE WORD FIVE SHOULD BE MEL RPT MEL

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TO DIRECTOR 44-38861 AND MEMPHIS, LOS ANGELES, SAN FRANCISCO, CINCINNATI, CHICAGO, DALLAS, INDIANAPOLIS, DETROIT, KANSAS CITY AND SEATTLE

FROM NEW YORK 44-1609

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RE WHLSIRE BOOK COMPANY, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA.

RE LA TEL TO BUREAU. APRIL TWO SEVEN, LAST.

MAILING LIST OF WILSHIRE BOOK COMPANY FOR ONE NINE SIX SIX, ONE NINE SIX SEVEN, AND ONE NINE SIX EIGHT CONSISTING OF APPROXIMATELY THIRTY THOUSAND NAMES FURNISHED ON APIL

TWO FOUR, LAST, BY BERNARD LANDE, PRESIDENT, RESEARCH PROJECTION IN SERIALIZED FILE COMPANY, ONE SEVEN ZERO SIX ROCKAWAY AVENUE, LYNBROOK, NY, TO

SAS JOHN F. CURRAN, NORMAN A. MURRAY, AND ROBERT G. OFTEDAL.

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PERT GRAY

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SEARCH BY SAS FOR NAMES, GAULT AND JAMES E. RAY,

NEGATIVE. LIST REFLECTED INDIVIDUALS NAMED RAY AS FOLLOWS.

DATE REFLECTS YEAR, LIST COMPLETED: Existing 955-9772

MR. R. L. RAY, THREE FIVE FOUR SEVEN SOUTH FEDERAL

STREET, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS (ONE NINE SIX EIGHT).

DONALD J. RAY, NINE NINE FOUR SOUTH ROYS AVENUE, COLUMBUS. OHIO (ONE NINE SIX SIX).

RONNIE RAY, FOUR ZERO SIX WEST FRANKLIN STREET, ELECTRA, TEXAS (ONE NINE SIX EIGHT).

ANGIE RAY, NINE FOUR TWO AND ONE-HALF SOUTH CLALA, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, MOVED IN ONE NINE SIX SEVEN OR ONE NINE SIX EIGHT. NO FORWARDING ADDRESS INDICATED.

B.J. RAY, THREE TWO SEVEN FIRST AVENUE EAST, PACIFIC WASHINGTON (ONE NINE SIX EIGHT.)

MARVIN L. RAY, EIGHT ONE ONE BOYER AVENUE, WALA WALA, WASHINGTON (ONE NINE SIX EIGHT).

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Post of the

JACK D. RAY, FIVE ZERO ZERO FIVE EAST ORION, INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA (ONE NINE SIX SEVEN).

W.S. RAY, FIVE TWO FOUR SEVEN COLLEGE AVENUE, INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA (ONE NINE SIX SEVEN).

FLOYD RAY, BOX SEVEN ZERO EIGHT SEVEN FLINT, MICHIGAN

(ONE NINE SIX SEVEN).

Add Asside the Magnet 40's

ROBERT G. RAY. ONE FIVE TWO SIX EAST SIXTY SIXTH PLACE,
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS (ONE NINE SIX SEVEN).

Mr. D.C. Vagen

DELMA RAY, NINE TWO THREE WEST GRAND, HAYSVILLE, KANSAS (ONE NINE SIX SEVEN)

DEBBIE RAY, SIX SIX THREE THREE DERBY AVENUE, APARTMENT FOUR, RESEDA, CALIFORNIA (ONE NINE SIX SEVEN).

RECEIVING OFFICES INSTRUCTED TO DETERMINE IF ANY OF ABOVE ARE IDENTICAL WITH SUBJECT, JAMES E. RAY, OR A RELATIVE. SUBJECT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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MEMPHIS (44-1987) ST. LOUIS (44-775)

FROM: SAC, CHICAGO (44-1114) SPRINGFIELD (44-561)

MURKIN.

SUMMARY CHICAGO DIVISION

THIS DATE HE HAD LIED PREVIOUSLY AS TO DEATH OF FATHER.

NOW STATES THAT JERRY RAYNES, CENTER, MISSOURI, IS THE
FATHER OF ALL CHILDREN BORN TO JERRY AND LUCILLE RAYNES.

FATHER VARIOUSLY USED NAMES RYAN, RAY AND RAYNES, HAVING

USED RAYNES FOR THE LAST FOURTEEN YEARS. JERRY STATES

FATHER BORN UNDER NAME OF RAY. JERRY HAS NO INFO RE

PHOTOGRAPHY INTEREST ON PART OF SUBJECT NOR EVER HEARD HIM

DESIRE TO PHOTOGRAPH NUDE FEMALES. NO INFO AS TO ANY

ASSOCIATES IN AREAS SUBJECT KNOWN TO BE AFTER ESCAPE.

VARIOUS NAMES OF INDIVIDUALS DEVELOPED AS FRIENDS OF

SUBJECT WHILE IN PRISON DISCUSSED WITH JERRY WITH NEGATIVE

RESULTS. ONLY PRISONMATES HE KNEW WERE WALTER AND LONNIE

RIFE AND RALPH DAVIS, DECEASED. JERRY WAS AWARE THAT

JOSEPH "BLACKIE" AUSTIN WAS ARRESTED WITH SUBJECT AND AUSTIN

WAS KNOWN TO JERRY WHEN BOTH WERE IN MENARD, ISP. PRESENT

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