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924PM URGENT 4-29-68 JLS
 TO BUREAU, MEMPHIS AND CHICAGO
 FROM SL (44-775)

MURKIN - SUMMARY

INDIVIDUAL MENTIONED BY SOME SL SOURCES AS "UNCLE OF RAY FAMILY
 IN SL, PREVIOUSLY BELIEVED TO BE JERRY RAYNES OF CENTER, MO., IDENTI-
 FIED AS JOHN EUGENE GAWRON, SEVENTY YEAR OLD EX-CON, AND INTER-

VIEWED. APPEARED GRUDGINGLY COOPERATIVE. NOT RELATED. BECAME
 ACQUAINTED WITH SUBJECTS' MOTHER NINETEEN FIFTY FOUR, QUINCY, ILL.,
 AND LIVED WITH HER BETWEEN IMPRISONMENTS UNTIL HER DEATH. STATES
 RAY BROTHERS IN SL AREA INTERMITTENTLY FIFTY EIGHT AND FIFTY NINE.
 DENIED CONTACT BY SUBJECT SINCE PRISON ESCAPE OR KNOWLEDGE OF PRE-

SENT WHEREABOUTS. WILL BE RE-INTERVIEWED FOLLOWING SL VISIT OF JERRY
 RAY. COMPARISON OF INFO TO BE OBTAINED AT THAT TIME WITH INFO
 CHICAGO WILL OBTAIN FROM JERRY MAY SERVE AS CROSS CHECK OF DEGREE OF
 COOPERATION OF BOTH, AS THERE IS GOOD PROBABILITY THEY MAY MEET DUR-
 ING JERRYS' VISIT.

SOURCES ALERTED TO JERRY RAY VISIT.

INTERVIEWS WITH FELLOW PRISIONERS AND RESOLUTION OF LOCAL LOOK
 ALIKES CONTINUING.

SUBJECT ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

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J. Edgar Hoover
Director

The following FBI record, NUMBER 821 733

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CONTRIBUTOR OF FINGERPRINTS	NAME AND NUMBER	ARRESTED OR RECEIVED	CHARGE	DISPOSITION
SP Menard Ill	Elmer Austin #7132	12-21-25	murder	25 yrs
SP Joliet Ill	Elmer Austin #23	8-2-34 in trans fr SP Joliet Ill	1-murder 2-robb armed	1-25 yrs 2-10 yrs to life 3 sents conc
SP Menard Ill	Elmer Austin #13997	8-14-36 in trans fr SP Joliet Ill	murder & robb etc murder mittimus held on trans robb arm mittimus par robb arm 7-22-49 Pleasant Plains Ill term 4 yrs 4-8-54 par term 4-27-56 paroled par 5-7-59	25 yrs & 10 yrs life 9-20-39 exp & disch fr
SO Springfield Ill	Joseph Elmer Austin #W2638	12-8-50	par viol	ret to Menard Pen
ATU Springfield Ill	Joseph Elmer Austin #Ill-S-1035(NFA)	12-8-50	Vio NFA	
SO Fort Worth Texas	Joseph E. Austin #22595	1-20-55	inv pro viol	
SP Menard Ill	Elmer Austin #13997	not given FP 2-8-55	murder & robb	10-life & 25 yrs
USM Nashville Tenn	Elmer Joseph Austin #502	4-22-57	kidnapping	9-11-57 rel to St of Ill
SO Nashville Tenn	Joseph Elmer Austin #4719-G	4-20-57	kidnapping	
SPol Frankfort Ky	Joesph Elmer Austin #23783	4-20-57	2-2478 armed robb 2-2479 kidnapping on chg of 2-2481-armed robb kidnapping	filed away CHICAGO

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WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

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CONTRIBUTOR OF FINGERPRINTS	NAME AND NUMBER	ARRESTED OR RECEIVED	CHARGE	DISPOSITION
SP Menard Ill	Elmer Austin #13997	9-17-57	murder & Robb	25 yrs & 10-life (parole violator)
PD Alton Ill	Joseph Elmer Austin #8813	8-21-59	armed robb	
SO Edwardsville Ill	Joseph Elmer Austin #787	8-26-59	armed robb	
SP Menard Ill	Elmer Austin #13997	9-23-59	PV mur rob etc	25 yrs 10-life
Cook Co Jail Chgo Ill	Elmer Austin #382273	5-14-66	SKPA	

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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20537

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Director.

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CONTRIBUTOR OF FINGERPRINTS	NAME AND NUMBER	ARRESTED OR RECEIVED	CHARGE	DISPOSITION
	Elmer Austin, Illinois State Penitentiary Menard Illinois, number 13997 date arrested or received 8-14-36 on charge of Murder & Robbery, Etc. Paroled 2-23-65 per Dispo received Ident. Div. 3-4-65 ejf			
	SUPPLEMENT			

Information shown on this Identification Record represents data furnished FBI by fingerprint contributors. Where final disposition is not shown or further explanation of charge is desired, communicate with agency contributing those fingerprints.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20537

TO:

Date 4/25/68

SAC, Chicago

Your inquiry
SI-teletype
4-24-68

MURKIN.

- ☐ Attached furnished in reply to your inquiry.
- ☒ Attached furnished in compliance with request from SAC, Springfield
- ☐ 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.
- ☐ 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.

*IDENT RECORD
ELMER AUSTIN*

☒ Enc. (1)
☒ Copy to: SACs Springfield (44-561)
Baltimore
St. Louis

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John Edgar Hoover
Director

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Date: 4/29/68

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To: SAC's, Chicago (44-1114) - Enclosures (3)
Memphis (44-1987)

✓ From: Director, FBI (44-38861)

MURKIN

Re Chicago airtel 4/24/68, submitting the finger-
prints of three individuals for elimination purposes.

The latent fingerprint previously reported on the
letter, Q130, is identical with a fingerprint of SA William J. Downey.

The submitted prints are enclosed to Chicago Division.

our police instructor???

[Signature]

KSH

*Now I see why
you don't want to send
prints into her*

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, Chicago

DATE: April 29, 1968

JRM : Director, FBI

SUBJECT: JAMES EARL RAY, aka - FUGITIVE
I.O. #4182; W. F. #442-A
CIVIL RIGHTS - CONSPIRACY;
INTERSTATE FLIGHT - ARMED ROBBERY
"TEN MOST WANTED FUGITIVES" PROGRAM
NEWSPAPER MAT

Being forwarded under separate cover is a supply of newspaper mats and proofs for expeditious distribution to all cooperative daily and weekly newspapers in your territory. Additional publications such as shoppers' guides should not be overlooked in obtaining the greatest possible publicity regarding this fugitive.

In most cases, these mats and proofs may be distributed by mail but when circumstances warrant they may be personally delivered by Special Agents. A form letter over the signature of the Special Agent in Charge may be utilized in distributing this material by mail and this letter should point out that the FBI is requesting the aid of the Nation's press in bringing about the prompt apprehension of this badly sought fugitive.

Prompt distribution should be made and additional supplies, if needed, are available at the Bureau. The following number of mats and proofs are being forwarded to your office under separate cover: 250.

As an additional means of securing widespread publicity concerning Ray, offices covering the place of publication of magazines which have previously cooperated in publicizing FBI fugitives should request the assistance of such publications in carrying an article on captioned fugitive. The Bureau press release, copies of which are available in each office, along with a glossy photograph of this fugitive can be furnished. The earliest possible utilization of this material should be encouraged and special attention should be given to publications aimed at minority groups.

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

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TO: SAC, CHICAGO

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

RE: MURKIN
CR

Re BH tel to Bureau, 4/11/68 at 6:32 p.m., setting forth information regarding a stop notice for JOHN E. WILLARD, BH tel to Bureau, 4/11/68 at 6:30 p.m., setting forth results of check with W. M. GARDNER, Manager, Retail Credit Co., Birmingham, Alabama, concerning one J. D. WILLARD, and AT tel to Bureau, 4/15/68 at 6:15 p.m. setting forth information re A. M. TENNISON, JR. of National Life and Accident Insurance Co., Nashville, Tennessee.

On 4/24/68, Mr. A. M. TENNISON, JR., Assistant Auditor, General Accounting Division, National Life and Accident Insurance Company, Nashville, Tennessee, advised SA HENDERSON HILLIN, JR. that he had searched all available records of his company and could find no information concerning a J. D. WILLARD as a former employee of the company or anyone about whom the National Life and Accident Insurance Company had made any effort to locate. He advised that he had located a record for JOHN E. WILLARD, a former agent with the National Life and Accident Insurance Company in the Chicago South Central District. His record

Airtel _____
 2 - Chicago
 Teletype _____
 1 - Atlanta (44-2386) (Info)
 1 - Birmingham (44-1740) (Info)
 A.M. _____
 1 - Kansas City (Info)
 2 - Memphis

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Approved: RC Jensen
 Special Agent in Charge

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contained the following information:

JOHN E. WILLARD, certificate number 81056, service number 37145, was employed in the Chicago, Illinois South Central District as an agent from July 13, 1964 to January 8, 1965. WILLARD left the company and owed the company \$498.85 in collected premium funds which were not turned in. Thereafter the company made numerous efforts to collect this money from him and began efforts to locate him for contact in 1966. On October 27, 1966, the company put out a broadcast of disappearance for JOHN E. WILLARD and distributed this to various credit agencies throughout the United States. The Chicago, Illinois Credit Bureau reported to the National Life and Accident Insurance Company thereafter that they had determined that WILLARD was last known to be residing at 2564 South Blue Island Avenue, Chicago, and had previously been employed by the Gateway Transport Company.

A former address of 5202 South Maplewood Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, was indicated. WILLARD is a white male, born [redacted], 5'11", 203 pounds, and is married to IRENE JOY WILLARD, born [redacted]. The Chicago Credit Bureau reported that they were divorced or separated. Born to this union were three children, [redacted].

Mr. TENNISON stated that this was a regular occurrence in that insurance agents would work for a period of time and quit owing the company money, and an effort would be made to locate them. He advised that this stop notice has been distributed throughout the United States and to this date WILLARD has not been located by the company and no restitution on these funds made.

LEADS:

CHICAGO DIVISION

Although the subject in this case has been identified, Chicago might desire to utilize information contained above covering lead set forth in referenced communication.

A & D.

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Date: 4/30/68

Transmit the following in PLAIN TEXT
(Type in plaintext or code)Via TELETYPE URGENT
(Priority)TO: ~~DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861) AND SAC BIRMINGHAM (44-1740)~~
BUFFALO (44-374)

FROM: SAC, CHICAGO (44-1114)

MURKIN, RE PHOTOGRAPHIC EQUIPMENT ORDERED BY SUBJECT FROM
SUPERIOR BULK FILM COMPANY, CHICAGO, UNDER NAME ERIC S. GALT.

RE BIRMINGHAM TELETYPE TO BUREAU AND CHICAGO APRIL TWENTY
NINE LAST.

FOR INFO BUFFALO, SUBJECT ORDERED PHOTOGRAPHIC EQUIPMENT
FROM CAPTIONED FIRM LATE SEPTEMBER, SIXTY SEVEN, WHICH WAS
SHIPPED OCTOBER THIRD, SIXTY SEVEN. AMONG EQUIPMENT ORDERED
WAS ONE KODAK DUAL PROJECTOR M-NINE FIVE - Z, PRICE ONE HUNDRED
SIXTY EIGHT DOLLARS. HE ALSO ORDERED ONE KODAK SUPER EIGHT
D-THIRTY EIGHT, PRICE ONE HUNDRED SIXTY DOLLARS, ~~MTXN~~ PLUS
AN HP ONE COMBINATION EIGHT MM SUPER SPLICER AND ONE TWENTY FOOT
REMOTE CONTROL CABLE. THE CABLE WAS RECOVERED IN THE MUSTANG
AT ATLANTA.

THE SUPER EIGHT CAMERA WAS NOT IN STOCK AND COMPANY SHIPPED
A CRESTLINE CAMERA AS REPLACEMENT. IN CONVERSATIONS AND
CORRESPONDENCE WITH COMPANY, SUBJECT ADVISED THAT HE DID NOT
WANT THE ~~CRESTLINE~~ ^{CRESTLINE} CAMERA, WAS RETURNING IT, AND WAS INSISTENT
THAT THE KODAK SUPER EIGHT MODEL M EIGHT WAS THE SPECIFIC CAMERA

1 - Memphis (AM)

RJD: ~~PM~~ 1 BIRMINGHAM (AM)Approved: *[Signature]*
Special Agent in Charge

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HE WANTED FOR USE WITH ABOVE PROJECTOR.

IN RETEL BIRMINGHAM REQUESTED TO DETERMINE WHETHER PROJECTOR HAS RECORDED SERIAL NUMBER AND IF SO LIST WITH NCIC. ALSO IF SERIAL NUMBER AVAILABLE, SUGGEST ADVISE BUREAU IN ORDER THAT DETERMINATION BE MADE WHETHER IT WOULD BE ADVISABLE TO REQUEST ALL CONTINENTAL OFFICES TO FURNISH SAME TO MAJOR PDS FOR USE IN PAWN SHOP DETAILS CHECKING POSSIBILITY THIS ITEM MAY NOW HAVE BEEN PAWNED. ALSO IF SN AVAILABLE, CHICAGO SHOULD REQUEST HEADQUARTERS OF EASTMAN KODAK, ROCHESTER, NEW YORK, FOR PURPOSE PLACING STOP IN EVENT ANY INQUIRIES RECEIVED AND ~~ESPECIALLY~~ ESPECIALLY IF STILL UNDER WARRANTY.

CONTACT WITH SUPERIOR BULK FILM CO., CHICAGO, THIS DATE, REVEALED FIRM DOES NOT MAINTAIN SERIAL NUMBERS OF CAMERAS OR PROJECTORS ON INCOMING OR OUTGOING SHIPMENTS.

CONTACT WITH EASTMAN KODAK CO., OAK BROOK, ILL., FILM CO.'S SUPPLIER DEVELOPED SERIAL NUMBERS OF OUTGOING SHIPMENTS NOT MAINTAINED. NO WAY TO CHECK FIRM RECEIVING SPECIFIC CAMERAS OR PROJECTORS. RE WARRANTIES. ALL WARRANTY SLIPS RECEIVED THERE

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Special Agent in Charge

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ARE MAILED TO MAIN OFFICE, ROCHESTER, NEW YORK, WHICH ARE MAINTAINED UNDER NAMES OF INDIVIDUALS ON WHICH SERIAL NUMBER IS ENTERED BY CUSTOMER.

BUFFALO, AT ROCHESTER, NEW YORK, CONTACT MAIN OFFICE, EASTMAN KODAK COMPANY, AND SEARCH WARRANTY SLIPS UNDER SUBJECT'S TRUE NAME AND KNOWN ALIASES, FOR ANY INFO RE ABOVE PROJECTOR. ALSO NOTE SUBJECT'S PREFERENCE FOR THE PARTICULAR MODEL KODAK CAMERA MENTIONED HEREIN AND SEARCH WARRANTY SLIPS IN SAME MANNER. DETERMINE WHETHER OR NOT A FEASIBLE SEARCH CAN BE MADE FOR SUPER EIGHT CAMERAS PURCHASED FROM NOVEMBER TEN, SIXTY SEVEN TO MARCH SEVENTEEN, SIXTY EIGHT, IN LOS ANGELES AREA. IF POSSIBLE, SEARCH THESE PURCHASES AGAINST SUBJECT'S TRUE NAME AND ALIASES.

IF SERIAL NUMBER OF PROJECTOR OR CAMERA OBTAINED, COVER LEADS SET FORTH FOR CHICAGO IN RE BIRMINGHAM TEL.

AM CC TO MEMPHIS. *AND BIRMINGHAM*

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

Approved: _____ Sent _____ M Per _____
Special Agent in Charge

4/22/68

PLAIN TEXT

AIRTEL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (44-1609)

SUBJECT: MURKIN
CIVIL RIGHTS
(OO: MEMPHIS)

Re Tampa airtel to the Bureau dated 4/15/68.

Enclosed for Atlanta is one copy of referenced airtel and two photographs developed from questioned television tape.

"AV" WESTIN, Director, Public Broadcast Laboratory (PBL), 342 Madison Avenue, NYC, on 4/19/68, advised that an assistant would aid the FBI in making available tape on questioned broadcast of 4/7/68. He stated that PBL has had employees following the developments leading up to the "poor people's march on Washington" which was to have been led by Rev. MARTIN LUTHER KING in the Spring of 1968. He stated that the questioned portion of the broadcast was produced by GREG SINKER of PBL.

On 4/19/68, PBL made available two film excerpts from the broadcast of 4/7/68 which shows two white males in

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1- Memphis (INFO)
1- New York

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background of photograph, either of which could represent the person referred to by Dr. IRVING HALL, of Bradenton, Florida. It is further noted, however, that others in the room made similar remarks about the "poor white people getting screwed" if KING led the march.

It is noted that one individual, which according to the tape was located in the area of, or next to, the Negro moderator, who was NOSHIA WILLIAMS, seemed to be pulling at his left ear lobe as depicted in the enclosed excerpt from the film.

GREG SHUKER, Producer, PBL, stated he was in the room during the filming of this sequence of events and identified the location as Paschal's Hotel, located on Hunter Street, Atlanta, Georgia. He stated he personally recalls most of the participants in the discussion other than the man with his hand up to his ear. He stated that the Southern Christian Leadership Conference Headquarters (SCLC) in Atlanta is believed to have a list of all persons attending this discussion. He stated that the events took place on 3/14/68 and that BILL RUTHERFORD, Executive Director, and TOM OFFENBERG, Public Relations, SCLC, Office # (404)-522-1420, possibly could furnish names of all persons in the room. RUTHERFORD's home number was given as 523-3381 and that of OFFENBERG, who is Director of the March as 522-1425.

SHUKER stated that other groups and races of people were meeting at the time in the same hotel in connection with the upcoming march, but indicated that the group in question was basically white and that NOSHIA WILLIAMS came in late only to answer their questions and to convince them that KING would lead and speak for all the poor people, regardless of race, in the March on Washington.

SHUKER is in the process of preparing a copy of the entire tape for the FBI which is to be made available to the NYO possibly today, 4/22/68.

It has been requested by PBL that above excerpts from the tape as well as the other material to be made

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available, be used solely by the FBI for their investigative purposes. The film is still being used by PBL and no publication otherwise should be made.

Atlanta, through appropriate officials of SCLC, obtain list of persons in attendance of white group discussion at Paschal's Hotel on or about 3/14/68 in order to identify persons appearing in attached photographs and further tie in with individuals referred to by Dr. IRVINGTON HALL in referenced communication.

NYO will obtain complete tape from PBL.

FBI

Date: 4/15/68

Transmit the following in _____
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Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM: SAC, TAMPA (157-3231)

MURKIN

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On 4/11/68 Dr. IRVING HALL, 712 39th Street W., Bradenton, Fla., telephonically advised the Sarasota RA that between the hours of approximately 8:00 and 10:00 p.m. 4/7/68 he and his wife viewed a television program over channel 3, educational television station WEDU-TV, Tampa, Florida. HALL stated the program was a panel-type discussion concerning the study of the march on Washington that was to be lead by Rev. MARTIN LUTHER KING in the Spring of 1968. HALL stated a white male who was a member of the panel who was sitting on the floor near a Negro who was standing and who was the moderator made several comments that dealt with KING leading the march. The white male, according to HALL, reportedly made a comment to the effect, "If KING leads the march on Washington the march will be a Negro march and the poor white people will be getting screwed."

HALL stated that upon viewing the artist's conception of the assassin of KING and comparing the description that had been set forth in local newspapers regarding the assassin, he believes the white male on the above television program who made remarks critical of KING's leadership appeared a similar description to the artist's conception of the assassin.

Mr. R. LEROY LASTINGER, General Manager, WEDU-TV, Educational Television Channel 3, 908 South 20th Street, Tampa, on 4/12/68 advised from approximately 8:30 to 10:30 p.m.

- 3 - Bureau (RM)
- 2 - Birmingham(RM)
- 2 - Memphis (44-1987) (RM)
- ② - New York (RM)
- 2 - Tampa

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on 4/7/68 his channel experienced a live interconnection which was broadcast in the Tampa area under the auspices of Public Broadcast Laboratory which program originates from New York City and which the local station would not have any record of on radio or TV tape. He said that all he could say was the FBI would have to contact "AV" WESTIN, Director, Public Broadcast Laboratory, 342 Madison Avenue, New York City, and they would have the film. He volunteered the information that he recalled Public Broadcast Laboratory sent a crew along with Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING some time in the past sort of following his career and were closely following any plans to march on Washington. He said he personally had no way of even knowing in what cities or where the panel discussion took place that was broadcast on the night of 4/7/68 through his Channel 3 station.

LEADS:

NEW YORK

AT NEW YORK CITY, NEW YORK

Contact "AV" WESTIN, Director, PBL, 342 Madison Avenue, and conduct appropriate investigation.

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Date: 4/26/68

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, ATLANTA (44-2386) (P)

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Tampa airtel to Director, 4/15/68 and New York airtel to Director, 4/22/68.

Enclosed herewith for each receiving office are:

One copy each of referenced airtels;
 One copy each of two photographs referred to in referenced airtels.

On 4/26/68, TOM HOUCK, Program Department, SCLC, Auburn Avenue, Atlanta, Ga., advised that he was in charge of the programming of the Poor Peoples March Meeting which was held at Paschal's Restaurant in Atlanta on 3/14/68.

HOUCK furnished a list of all the white persons in attendance at this meeting, and went through the list stating he could identify everyone except the following individuals:

DOUGLAS YOUNGBLOOD BLAKES
 4441 North Clifton
 Chicago, Illinois

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 2 - Chicago (Enc. 4)
 2 - Pittsburgh (Enc. 4)
 2 - Louisville (Enc. 4)
 2 - Atlanta
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with attached photos

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AT 44-2386

Contact DOUGLAS YOUNGBLOOD BLAKES and DAVE JOHNSON to determine if identical with individual in photograph and if so determine if identical with suspect RAY.

LOUISVILLE

AT LOUISVILLE, KY.

Contact JOHN W. LEWIS to determine if identical with individual in photograph and if so determine if identical with suspect RAY.

PITTSBURGH

AT CHARLESTON, WEST VIRGINIA

Contact JAMES D. BOYLE to determine if identical with individual in photograph, and if so determine if identical with suspect RAY.

AT WILLIAMSON, WEST VIRGINIA

Contact STEVE STROLLER to determine if identical with individual in photograph and if so determine if identical with suspect RAY.



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Chicago, Illinois
April 29, 1968

POSSIBLE RACIAL VIOLENCE
MAJOR URBAN AREAS

On April 17, 1968, Doris Hill, an employee of Stoyas Drugs, 1145 Bryn Mawr, Chicago, Illinois, telephonically advised that an individual had come into the drugstore around 11:40 p.m., April 16, 1968, and stated that he was the person who shot Dr. Martin Luther King. He stated he had fired the shot that would start the third world war and would finish it May 1, 1968, by causing a holocaust in Chicago, Illinois, that would make Hiroshima and Nagasaki look like child's play.

The individual described as a white male, age 35, height, 5' 9½", 180 pounds, placed two long distance calls from a pay phone at the drugstore. The calls were made to Dr. David Horton, in Mobile, Alabama, who was believed to live on St. Dominick Street, in Mobile.

Other patrons of the drugstore advised Hill that this individual had earlier been in Teddy's Lounge, at Bryn Mawr and Kenmore Streets. This individual had never been in the drugstore before. He did not appear to be intoxicated, but was quite irrational.

On April 18, 1968, Dr. David Horton, University of South Alabama, Mobile, advised that on April 15, 1968, his wife's brother, Tom Glamore of 9726 Franklin Avenue, Franklin Park, Illinois, called from Chicago, Illinois, and requested Dr. Horton to send him money to buy a television set. Dr. Horton advised this was the first contact with Glamore since 1966, when he, Glamore, ran away from St. Louis, Missouri, believing the Hortons planned to commit him to a mental institution. He stated Glamore raved and was very incoherent. Glamore called again collect on Tuesday, April 16, 1968. Dr. Horton accepted the first call, but as Glamore was extremely belligerent and raved on the phone in an incoherent

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manner, Mrs. Horton hung up on him. When he later called collect, they refused to accept the call.

Dr. Horton advised Glamore is about 47 years of age, a veteran of World War II and is extremely mentally ill. Dr. Horton advised he felt Glamore should be committed, but hospitals keep releasing him as not being a violent type. Dr. Horton advised Glamore has an obsession that the Mafia is after him and Glamore also told him that Stan Musial killed Dr. Martin Luther King. Glamore has been hospitalized numerous times in the past, according to Dr. Horton with one hospitalization in Downey Veterans Administration Hospital, near Chicago, but he did not know when Glamore had last been in a mental hospital. As a result of his mental condition, Glamore is unable to hold a job and Dr. Horton was unable to furnish any additional information concerning his present condition.

One copy each of this letterhead memorandum is being furnished the United States Attorney, Chicago, the United States Secret Service, Chicago, and Region I, 113th MI Group, Evanston, Illinois.

Sergeant Burns of the Intelligence Unit, Chicago Police Department, and Detective John Rubino of the Franklin Park Police Department, were orally advised of the aforementioned information.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (157-350)
SUBJECT: POSSIBLE RACIAL VIOLENCE
MAJOR URBAN AREAS
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Enclosed herewith are 11 copies of an LHM suitable for dissemination.

An additional copy of this LHM is being enclosed to the Bureau for matter captioned "MURKIN, Bureau file 44-38861, Chicago file 44-1114".

The Chicago PD and Franklin Park, Illinois PD were advised. WMA, Chicago, U.S. Secret Service, Chicago, and Region I, 113th MI Group, Evanston, Illinois, are being furnished a copy of this LHM.

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Re Tom Shannon*

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TO DIRECTOR, MEMPHIS, ATLANTA, AND CHICAGO

FROM ST. LOUIS (44-775)

MURKIN - SUMMARY

JERRY RAY CAR OBSERVED VICINITY OF GRAPEVINE TAVERN THIS MORNING AND RESIDENCE OF CAROL PEPPER THIS AFTERNOON. EVERY EFFORT WILL BE MADE TO BE AWARE OF HIS TIME OF DEPARTURE FOR CHICAGO TOMORROW. INTERVIEWS WITH JOHY RAY AND JOHN GAURON CONTEMPLATED FOLLOWING DEPARTURE.

ARRANGEMENTS MADE TO OBTAIN PEPPER AND JOHN RAY TOLL CALL RECORDS AS DIRECTED BY BUREAU.

TWA MANIFESTS FOR FLIGHTS ORIGINATING ATLANTA APRIL FIFTH, SIXTY, ELEVENTH AND TWELFTH NEGATIVE AS TO SUBJECTS NAME AND ALL ALIASES. STOPS ON SAME PLACED. MR & MRS RICHARD H. DIXON, SL, HAD NO INFORMATION REGARDING SUBJECT AND DID NOT RECALL SEEING PERSON OF HIS APPEARANCE AT HOTEL RIO, PURETO VALLARTA, MEXICO, OCTOBER, NOVEMBER LAST.

FELLOW PRISONER AND LOCAL LOOK-ALIKE RESOLUTIONS CONTINUING.

SUBJECT ARMED AND DANGEROUS

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 LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

FROM: SAC, CHICAGO (44-1114)

MURKIN

SUMMARY CHICAGO DIVISION

RE [REDACTED]

RECONTACT WITH [REDACTED] THIS DATE REVEALED ~~CONF~~
 SHE DID NOT KNOW [REDACTED] HAD NO
 INFORMATION ^{RE} [REDACTED] HIS PRESENT WHEREABOUTS AND WAS OF ~~THE~~ STRONG
 OPINION [REDACTED] WOULD HAVE NO INFORMATION CONCERNING SUBJECT
 AND THAT SUBJECT WOULD HAVE NO WAY OF KNOWING [REDACTED] PRESENT
 ADDRESS. IN VIEW OF FOREGOING, CHICAGO DIVISION CONCURS
 WITH ~~THE~~ RECOMMENDATION OF THE SPRINGFIELD DIVISION THAT ANY
 INTERVIEW OF [REDACTED] BE HELD IN ABEYANCE.

RE PHOTO EQUIPMENT ORDERED FROM SUPERIOR BULK FILM COMPANY,
 CHICAGO, UNDER GALT ALIAS. INQUIRY, FILM COMPANY, REVEALS
 NO SERIAL NUMBERS MAINTAINED NOR ARE THEY MAINTAINED AT

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BY SEPARATE TEL.

FILM COMPANIES SUPPLIER. LEADS SET OUT TO SEARCH WARRANTY SLIPS
EASTMAN KODAK COMPANY, ROCHESTER, NEW YORK, FOR ABOVE PROJECTOR
AND SUPER EIGHT KODAK CAMERA ORDERED AND PREFERRED BY SUBJECT.

LEADS SET ALSO TO DETERMINE WHETHER OR NOT A FEASIBLE SEARCH CAN BE MADE
FOR ~~THE~~ SUPER EIGHT CAMERAS PURCHASED FROM NOVEMBER TEN, SIXTY
SEVEN TO MARCH, ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ SEVENTEEN LAST IN LOS ANGELES
AREA AND, IF POSSIBLE, SEARCH THESE PURCHASES AGAINST SUBJECT'S
TRUE NAME AND ALIASES.

RE LOOK ALIKE AMERICUS GEORGIA. PURE OIL COMPANY RECORDS
SEARCHED EXTENSIVELY THIS DATE LOCATING CREDIT SLIPS FOR JONES
GAS STATION CUSTOMERS APRIL SIXTEEN LAST. REVIEW DID NOT INDICATE
ANY PURCHASES MADE ON A TEMPORARY CARD. IDENTITY OF CUSTOMERS
FOR APRIL SIXTEEN LAST
~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ BEING FURNISHED AMSD.

RE POST OFFICE RECORDS FOR FIFTYFIVE ARREST OF SUBJECT.
REVIEW POSTAL INSPECTOR'S OFFICE LOCATED DETAILS OF BURGLARY
KELLERVILLE, ILLINOIS, P.O., MARCH SEVEN, FIFTYFIVE AND ARREST OF
WALTER TERRY RIFE AND SUBJECT MARCH TWENTYTHREE, FIFTYFIVE.
NO BACKGROUND INFO, ETC., NOT PREVIOUSLY KNOWN.

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RE LOUIS LOMAX. LOUIS O'SHEA, ISP, JOLIET, ILLINOIS, ADVISED FROM REVIEW OF RECORDS THERE WOULD BE NO POSSIBILITY THAT SUBJECT AND LOMAX MET IN JOLIET PEN SINCE RAY WAS IN DIAGNOSTIC CENTER DURING TWENTYFOUR DAY STAY THERE AND LOMAX WAS IN VOCATIONAL SCHOOL DURING NINETEEN FIFTYTWO UNTIL PAROLE ON SEPTEMBER TWENTYEIGHTH NINETEEN FIFTYFOUR. ALSO, LOMAX SPENT ALL TIME AT JOLIET AND WAS NEVER IN ISP, PONTIAC, ILLINOIS. LOMAX, ISP NUMBER TWO NINE THREE ZERO FIVE, WAS RELEASED FROM PAROLE MAY NINE, FIFTYSIX. TIME SERVED WAS FOR TWO CONCURRENT SENTENCES OF LARCENY. LOMAX DESCRIBED AS NEGRO MALE, DOB [REDACTED], GEORGIA, FIVE FEET NINE INCHES, ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY POUNDS, SLENDER BUILD, KINKY HAIR, DARK MAROON EYES, WIFE DOLORES, CHICAGO PD NUMBER D SEVEN TWO SIX THREE ZERO. ABOVE INFO OBTAINED FROM RECORD CARD IN CCO, ^{ISP, JOLIET} COMPLETE JACKET IN STORAGE. IF LOS ANGELES DESIRES FURTHER INFO, ADVISE.

RE MAILING LIST WILSHIRE BOOK COMPANY. R. L. RAY AND ROBERT G. RAY, BOTH CHICAGO, ELIMINATED AS SUBJECTS.

CHICAGO CONTINUING EXPEDITE INVESTIGATION RE INDIVIDUALS KNOWN TO HAVE MADE THREATS AGAINST KING AS POSSIBLE CO-CONSPIRATORS. BUREAU BEING ADVISED BY SEPARATE TELS.

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CHICAGO ^{WILL CONDUCT} ~~INTERVIEW~~ INTERVIEW OF BROTHER JERRY RAY
UPON RETURN FROM ST. LOUIS TO CROSS CHECK ANY INFORMATION FURNISHED
WITH SOURCE UNDER DEVELOPMENT BY ST. LOUIS.

ALL OTHER LEADS RECEIVING CONTINUOUS ATTENTION.

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Date April 11, 1968

RE: MURKIN

☐ For information ☐ Retention optional ☒ For appropriate action ☐ Surep, by _____
☐ The enclosed is for your information. If used in a future report, ☐ conceal all sources, ☐ paraphrase contents.
☐ Enclosed are corrected pages from report of SA _____ dated _____

Remarks:

Attached are three photographs of tee shirt and shorts bearing laundry marks.

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FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (44-1114)
SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re New Orleans tel, dated 4.29.68.

Re tel, look-alike, O'Hare Airport, Chicago,
4.9.68, Delta Airlines Ticket Office, 2:00 P. M., April
9, 1968.

LOU MYERS, Field Ticket Office Manager, Delta Airlines, O'Hare International Airport, advised that from his records the two ticket agents working the express baggage check-in counter where seat selection formerly was located were JOHN WINNICK and PAUL VANA. MYERS said that Delta handles from four to five thousand passengers a day from O'Hare, and advised that the seat selection is now handled, and was at that time handled, at each gate. However, if H. ALVIN SHARPE is a frequent Delta traveler, he would have recalled that this is where seat selection had been for a number of years.

WINNICK interviewed at length, however, he recalled nothing of incident described in re tel. He has seen many photographs of subject, and states he cannot recall any person resembling subject.

PAUL VANA recently married, on honeymoon at the Island of Aruba, off the coast of South America, and unavailable until 5/8.68.

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AT O'HARE INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT. Will discuss
above with PAUL VANA upon his return to Chicago.

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TO DIRECTOR, MEMPHIS, BIRMINGHAM, KANSAS CITY, SPRINGFIELD,
FROM ATLANTA 44-2386

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RE CHICAGO TELETYPE, APR. TWENTYFIFTH, 'SIXTYEIGHT, FURNISH-
ING SOCIAL SECURITY NO. [REDACTED]

SIX, AS USED BY JAMES EARL RAY IN TWO EMPLOYMENTS.

ON MAY FIRST, INSTANT, EARL FUOSS, REGIONAL INSPECTOR, IRS,
ATLANTA, ADVISED CHECK OF NATIONAL COMPUTER FOR IRS INDICATES
NOBODY IN U.S. WITH THIS SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER FILED INCOME TAX
RETURN FOR 'SIXTYSIX OR 'SIXTYSEVEN.

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TO DIRECTOR, CHICAGO, SPRINGFIELD AND MEMPHIS
FROM ATLANTA 44-2386 4P

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CHARLES V. TYSON, MGR., HERTZ RENTALS, ALBANY, GA.,
FURNISHED FOLLOWING INFO MAY FIRST, INSTANT:

CALL ON APR. NINETEEN, 'SIXTYEIGHT, HE RECEIVED PHONE
FROM UNIDENTIFIED MALE WHO CLAIMED TO BE CALLING
FROM CORDELE, GA., ASKING IF HE COULD HAVE A CAR AT ALBANY,
GA. AIRPORT FOR JAMES E. BODKER. THIS INDIVIDUAL STATED
BODKER HAD CREDIT CARDS.

AT TWELVE FIFTEEN PM, APR. NINETEEN, LAST, W/M
IDENTIFYING HIMSELF AS JAMES E. BODKER RENTED 'SIXTYSEVEN
FORD GALAXIE, FOUR-DOOR HARDTOP, WHITE OVER BLUE, VIN SEVEN A
FIVE SIX C TWO ZERO SEVEN SIX TWO FIVE, BEARING 'SIXTYEIGHT
GEORGIA LICENSE EIGHT J FIVE ZERO THREE NINE. CAR TO BE USED
IN VICINITY OF ALBANY AND RETURNED TO ALBANY, GA., ON
APR. TWENTYTWO, LAST. BODKER USED SHELL OIL CO. CREDIT
CARD N [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], GIVING HOME ADDRESS AS ONE FOUR THREE FOUR ONE S. AVALON

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JAMES E. BODKER
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JAMES E. BODKER
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DOLTON, ILL., AND CLAIMED TO BE MGR OF SUBURBAN MOTORS, ADDRESS
NOT GIVEN. GAVE ILL. DRIVER'S LICENSE NO. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

TYSON NOT PRESENT WHEN CAR RENTED. CAR RENTED BY DOTTIE
OLIVER, A HERTZ EMPLOYEE. ANOTHER EMPLOYEE OF HERTZ, WILLIAM
YOMAN WAS PRESENT WHEN CAR RENTED.

VEHICLE NOT RETURNED AND TYSON MADE NUMEROUS CALLS TO
LOCATE CAR AND BODKER. NO WARRANT TAKEN AS YET. HE CHECKED
WITH SHELL OIL CO. IN TULSA, OKLA., AND WAS TOLD THE CARD ISSUED
TO BODKER HAD NEVER BEEN USED BEFORE AND WAS ONE OF A PROMOTIONAL
GROUP MAILED TO COLLEGE SENIORS. DESCRIPTION GIVEN BY
EMPLOYEES PLACES BODKER BEYOND COLLEGE AGE.

SINCE DOLTON, ILL. IS SUBURB OF CHICAGO, TYSON OBTAINED
TELEPHONE NUMBER OF SUBURBAN MTRS, THREE ONE TWO DASH THREE
EIGHT EIGHT DASH FIVE TWO EIGHT ZERO AND CALLED THEM APR.
TWENTYNINE AND THIRTY, LAST, BUT RECEIVED NO SATISFACTION.
HE TALKED TO MR. HANNA, WHO CLAIMED TO BE MGR OF SUBURBAN MTRS.
HANNA FURNISHED VIRTUALLY NO INFO EXCEPT TO SAY BODKER WS
PART-TIME EMPLOYEE AND NOT THERE.

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THOMAS HANNA
SUBURBAN MOTORS
12435 WESTERN
BLUE ISLAND
P. 388-5280

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DESCRIPTION FURNISHED BY TYSON AS OBTAINED BY HIS EMPLOYEES FIT GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF JAMES EARL RAY EXCEPT FOR AGE AND ACCORDINGLY YOMAN AND OLIVER INTERVIEWED AND PHOTO OF JAMES EARL RAY EXHIBITED.

RENTAL CONTRACT OBTAINED AND BEING FORWARDED TO FBI LAB FOR HANDWRITING AND LATENT PRINT EXAMINATION.

YOMAN DESCRIBED BODKER AS W/M, AGE ABOUT THIRTY, FIVE FT. ELEVEN, ONE SIX FIVE LBS., DARK BROWN WAVY HAIR COMBED BACK SLIGHTLY REDDISH TINT, DARK COMPLEXION, OPEN NECK SPORT SHIRT, DARK PANTS, BEARS CLOSE RESEMBLANCE TO 'SIXTYEIGHT PHOTO AND HEAD ON 'SIXTY PHOTO OF RAY AND BELIEVES COULD BE IDENTICAL.

YOMAN IS FIFTYFOUR YRS OLD, W/M, LONG-TIME EMPLOYEE OF HERTZ AND WELL-KNOWN TO THIS OFFICE AND CONSIDERED COMPLETELY RELIABLE.

OLIVER VIEWED PHOTOS OF JAMES EARL RAY AND STATES BODKER NOT IDENTICAL. BELIEVES FACE IS THINNER THAN 'SIXTYEIGHT PHOTO OF RAY AND COULD NOT PICK OUT ANY FACIAL CHARACTERISTICS IN PHOTO OF RAY RESEMBLING BODKER.

SHE DESCRIBED BODKER AS W/M, AGE THIRTYEIGHT TO FORTY, FIVE FT. TEN TO ELEVEN, ONE FIVE ZERO TO ONE SIX ZERO LBS.,
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THICK BLACK WAVY HAIR, COMBED BACK, DARK COMPLEXION, THIN FACE
LONG NECK, WEARING MUSTARD COLORED SPORT SHIRT WITH DICKIE AT
NECK AND DARK BROWN PANTS, NO NOTICEABLE ACCENT AND NOT NERVOUS.
OLIVER IS NINETEEN YEAR-OLD W/F ABOUT TO BE MARRIED, IS STILL IN
TRAINING, NERVOUS AND NOT BELIEVED TO BE GOOD WITNESS.

CHICAGO IMMEDIATELY CONDUCT INVESTIGATION AT DOLTON, ILL.,
AND SUBURBAN MTRS. IF 'SIXTYSEVEN FORD LOCATED, ADVISE ATLANTA.

SPRINGFIELD REVIEW DRIVER'S LICENSE FILE UNDER NUMBER



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TO CHICAGO KANSAS CITY ST. LOUIS AND SPRINGFIELD
FROM DIRECTOR 2P

MURKIN

FULL COVERAGE IS TO BE AFFORDED THE RELATIVES OF SUBJECT
RESIDING IN YOUR RESPECTIVE TERRITORIES. THIS WILL INCLUDE
A SPOT SURVEILLANCE OF THESE PERSONS AS WELL AS A DETERMINATION
OF THEIR ASSOCIATES AND INDIVIDUALS MAKING FREQUENT CONTACT
WITH THEM. YOU SHOULD ALSO OBTAIN ALL LONG DISTANCE TELEPHONE
CALLS FROM THEIR RESIDENCE FOR PERIOD APRIL TWENTYTHREE SIXTY-
SEVEN TO PRESENT TIME. YOU SHOULD MAKE THIS A CONTINUING PROJECT
UNTIL OTHERWISE ADVISED BY THE BUREAU. IF TELEPHONE CALLS LOCATED,
THEY MUST BE THOROUGHLY CHECKED OUT TO DETERMINE ANY CONTACT
BY THE SUBJECT. IF GRAND JURY NOT IN SESSION TO SUBPOENA RECORDS,
YOU SHOULD INSURE THAT REVIEW OF RECORDS CAN BE ACCOMPLISHED WITH
FULL SECURITY AND BUREAU'S INTEREST WILL BE FULLY PROTECTED.
IT WILL BE FULLY INCUMBENT UPON EACH OFFICE TO BE COMPLETELY
AWARE OF ANY SITUATION IN WHICH THE SUBJECT CONTACTS RELATIVES
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OF THE SUBJECT. YOU SHOULD INSURE THAT EACH RELATIVE IS
ADEQUATELY COVERED TO POSSIBLY ASSIST IN THE SUBJECT'S
LOCATION AND APPREHENSION.

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AIRMAIL COPY TO MEMPHIS.

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635 PM 5/1/68 URGENT RXP

TO DIRECTOR 44-388861, MEMPHIS 44-1987 AND CHICAGO 44-1114.

FROM KNOXVILLE 44-696

MURKIN.

RE SUBJECT'S BROTHER JERRY RAY.

RE CHICAGO TELETYPE FOUR TWENTY-NINE LAST.

JERRY RAY VISITS SON MICHAEL EUGENE RAY ONCE OR TWICE YEARLY AND SENDS GISTS OCCASIONALLY TO SON, WHO RESIDES WITH MR. AND MRS. WILLARD SARTAIN, ROUTE TWO, WHITESBURG, TENNESSEE. JERRY RAY'S EX-COMMON LAW WIFE, CAROL DEAN WOLFE, AND HER PRESENT HUSBAND, RALPH WOLFE, EMPLOYED MAGNAVOX CORPORATION, JEFFERSON CITY, TENNESSEE. JUDY SARTAIN, ONE FOUR FOUR NINE MADISON STREET, MORRISTOWN, TENNESSEE. TELEPHONE NUMBER FIVE EIGHT ONE DASH EIGHT FOUR FIVE FOUR, SISTER-IN-LAW OF CAROL, RECEIVES PHONE CALLS ABOUT ONCE A MONTH INQUIRING WELFARE OF HIS SON, MICHAEL. IF JERRY RAY UNABLE TO REACH JUDY SARAIN, HE WILL CALL CAROL'S SISTER, MRS. FRANK GILBERT, LOWE ACRES, TOLBERT COMMUNITY, ROUTE TWO, MORRISTOWN, TENNESSEE, UNLISTED
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TELEPHONE NUMBER FIVE EIGHT SIX DASH EIGHT ONE ZERO FIVE.

BOTH JUDY SARTAIN AND MRS. FRANK GILBERT HAVE BEEN CONTACTED
TELEPHONICALLY BY JERRY RAY WITHIN PAST TWO WEEKS AND ADVISED
THEM THAT HIS BROTHER WAS SUSPECTED OF MURDERING KING. THE
SARTAINS, CAROL WOLFE, AND MRS. FRANK GILBERT STATE NEVER
MET ANY OF JERRY RAY'S FAMILY AND DID NOT KNOW HE HAD
BROTHER, JAMES EARL RAY.

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TO BUREAU, MEMPHIS, BIRMINGHAM, LOS ANGELES, CHICAGO, KANSAS CITY
AND SPRINGFIELD
FROM ATLANTA 44-2386

MURKIN

SUMMARY OF INVESTIGATION, MAY ONE, SIXTYEIGHT, AT *
INDIVIDUAL KNOWN TO SOURCES IN HIPPIE AREA OF ATLANTA AND

BELIEVED BY SOME TO BE IDENTICAL WITH SUBJECT RAY, IDENTIFIED
AND INTERVIEWED MAY ONE INSTANT. NAME PAUL SAXON, W/M, AGE
FORTYSEVEN, FROM MISS. HE IS PROGRAMMER FOR OXFORD IN-
DUSTRIES, ATLANTA. OTHER SOURCES IN HIPPIE AREA BEING CON-
TACTED ON REGULAR BASIS AND INVESTIGATION OF NARCOTICS PHASE
CONTINUING.

EXPANDED AIRLINES CHECK CONTINUING. NEGATIVE TO DATE.

INVESTIGATION CONCERNING ABANDONED HERTZ RED REBEL AUTO
AT BIRMINGHAM AIRPORT INDICATES CAR HAD BEEN RENTED AND NOT
BELIEVED CONNECTED WITH THIS CASE. HOWEVER, LEAD SET FORTH TO
INTERVIEW PERSON WHO RENTED CAR DURING PERTINENT PERIOD.

JIMMIE DELTON GARNER REINTERVIEWED THIS DATE AT LENGTH.
HE COULD FURNISH NO ADDITIONAL PERTINENT INFO.
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ABANDONED FARM OWNED BY ALLEGED LEADER OF MINUTEMEN IN
RURAL AREA CHECKED MAY ONE. NO EVIDENCE OF HUMAN HABITATION
OR BEING USED AS HIDE-OUT.

TAXICAB TRIP SHEETS OF PERTINENT PERIODS BEING SCRUTINIZED
AND LOGICAL LEADS BEING CHECKED OUT.

CONTACT WITH INDIVIDUALS ADVERTISING CARS FOR SALE IN
CLASSIFIED ADS OF ATLANTA NEWSPAPERS CONTINUING, NEGATIVE TO
DATE.

INVESTIGATIONS OF ALL STOLEN CARS IN ATLANTA DURING PERTINENT
PERIOD, INCLUDING THOSE FURNISHED BY NCIC CONTINUING. NO
PERTINENT INFO OBTAINED TO DATE.

COMPLAINTS OF LOOK-A-LIKES BEING RECEIVED ON CONTINUING
BASIS AND BEING CHECKED OUT.

PLACES FEATURING COUNTRY MUSIC CHECKED OUT WITH NEGATIVE
RESULTS.

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Investigation Pure Oil Company, Palatine, Illinois

The Atlanta Division advised on April 25, 1968, that Mr. RANDOLPH B. JONES, Pure Oil Company Dealer, Americus, Georgia, advised he sold gas to an individual on April 16, 1968, who closely resembled 1968 photo of JAMES EARL RAY. Mr. JONES described the car he believed the person to be driving as well as furnishing a physical description of this individual. He also stated that he believed the individual purchased gas on a temporary Pure Oil Credit Card, which he believes expires in August or September, 1968. He also advised that the credit card slips were purchases on April 16, 1968, and had already been forwarded to the Pure Oil Company Retail Department, Palatine, Illinois.

On April 26, 1968, Mr. CLYDE E. RHODES, Accounting Department, Pure Oil Company, Palatine, Illinois, was telephonically contacted by SA RENE J. DUMAINE, at which time he advised that the package of credit card slips mailed in by Mr. JONES on April 17, 1968, would already be in the Balance process, Accounting Department, and would take until at least April 30, 1968, to locate. He said it is possible that he would be able to locate the credit card slips mailed in on April 22, 1968. He requested that he be furnished with the Transmittal Slip number used by JONES in submitting the credit card transactions.

On the same date, Mr. RHODES was furnished with the following transmittal numbers:

4/18/68 - 7-0217999
7-0218000

4/22/68 - 7-0217997
7-0217998

The foregoing were obtained from the Atlanta Division in contact with Mr. R. B. JONES. Mr. RHODES advised that he had located all of the credit card slips submitted on April 22, 1968. A review of these slips did not reveal any

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credit card slips for any transaction on April 16, 1968.

In a continuing review of Pure Oil Company records, in conjunction with Mr. RHODES and THOMAS DAVINI by SA ROBERT F. PEVAHOUSE on April 29 and 30, 1968, located the list of credit card invoices submitted by Mr. JONES on April 18, 1968. Credit card purchase number [REDACTED] was made by Lt. Col. WILKERSON, however, the invoice itself could not be located and the address was not yet in file. The charge for credit card number [REDACTED] is another company credit card and the ticket has already been separated elsewhere. No further effort will be made to locate this card in view of the comments made by Mr. JONES. It should be noted that this review did not reveal any purchase made on a temporary Pure Oil Credit Card.

There were purchases made by the following companies:

Americus Utility
Aladdin Insulators
Georgia Highway Department
V. R. Bush Company
Southern Bell of Georgia
Simplex Nail
W. C. Page

The charge for H. O. JONES, JR. was not further checked out since it was in the amount of \$101.43, which could not have been a mere gas purchase.

A review of the credit card slips submitted reveals the following purchases for gasoline on April 16, 1968:

A.U. ARNOLD
RFD Americus, Georgia

JAMES F. TRAINOR
P.O. Box 265
Damascus, Georgia

J. ROY STUDSTILL
212 Daniel Street
Americus, Georgia

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (44-1114)

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Chicago tel to Atlanta dated 4/26/68 and Atlanta tel to Director, Memphis, and Chicago, 4/25/68, re look alike observed at E. B. Jones, Pure Oil Station, Americus, Georgia, 4/16/68.

Enclosed for the Bureau and Memphis is one copy of investigative insert setting forth investigation at Pure Oil Company, Palatine, Illinois. Enclosed for the Atlanta office are two copies of the above mentioned insert. In addition, there is enclosed for Atlanta Office are two Xerox copies of the transmittal slip and credit cards submitted to Pure Oil Company by E. B. JONES on 4/18/68.

LEAD

ATLANTA

AT AMERICUS, GEORGIA. Will utilize the enclosed credit slips in further interview of RANDOLPH E. JONES in an effort to establish the identity of the person he believed to be identical with subject at his gas station on 4/16/68.

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- 1 - Memphis (44-197) (Enc. 1)
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433PM URGENT 5-1-68 DMJ

TO DIRECTOR, CHICAGO, MEMPHIS AND ATLANTA
FROM SPRINGFIELD (44-561)

MURKIN.

RE ATLANTA TELETYPE INSTANT DATE.

ILLINOIS DRIVERS LICENSE

ISSUED JUNE TWO SIXTYSEVEN TO

JAMES E. BODKER, ONE FOUR THREE FOUR ONE SOUTH AVALON, DALTON,
ILLINOIS. THIS LICENSE WILL EXPIRE JANUARY THIRTY NINETEEN
SEVENTYONE AND DESCRIBES BODKER AS MALE, BORN

, FIVE FEET TEN INCHES, ONE SEVEN FIVE POUNDS, BROWN
HAIR, GREEN EYES. OCCUPATION CONSTRUCTION LABORER. RECORDS
REFLECT LICENSE SUSPENDED DECEMBER TWELVE SIXTYSEVEN FOR ACCIDENT.
AGAIN SUSPENDED FEBRUARY SIXTEEN SIXTYEIGHT FOR THREE MOVING
VIOLATIONS. LICENSE PRESENTLY CLEAR AND VALID. P.

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JLS

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FBI MIAMI

836PM URGENT 5-1-68 PJJ

TO DIRECTOR (44-38861), ATLANTA (44-2386), BIRMINGHAM (44-1740),
MEMPHIS (44-1987), AND CHICAGO
FROM MIAMI (44-1854) 3P

MURKIN.

RE HERTZ RENT-A-CAR ABANDONED BIRMINGHAM AIRPORT
APRIL SEVEN, LAST.

RE BH TEL TO BUREAU APRIL THIRTY, LAST.

NAMES AND PERMANENT ADDRESSES OF FLIGHT CREW EASTERN
AIRLINES (EAL) FLIGHT SIX THREE FIVE, APRIL EIGHT, LAST
FOLLOW:

PILOTS, ALL BASED CHICAGO:

CAPTAIN T.A. MC MILLIAN, THREE SEVEN ONE EIGHT
POPLAR RD., FLOSSMOOR, ILL.

FIRST OFFICER WILLIAM JOHN POWELL, FIVE ZERO
TWO PARK CT., FOX RIVER GROVE, ILL.

SECOND OFFICER RONALD D. SWEEDLER, PO BOX
FOUR SIX SIX, MANHATTAN, ILL.

FLIGHT ATTENDANTS, ALL BASED ATLANTA:

SANDRA CAROL JIMERSON, THREE TWO FOUR FOUR
FULTON AVE., APT. B-EIGHT, HAPEVILLE, GA.

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LYNDA LAURIE GRAMLING, THREE TWO FOUR FOUR FULTON
AVE., HAPEVILLE, GA.

JANICE LEE COLLINS, SIX SIX TWO ONE WAKEFIELD DR.,
APT. FOUR ONE TWO, ALEXANDRIA, VA.

NAMES AND PERMANENT ADDRESSES OF FLIGHT CREW EAL FLIGHT
SIX SIX TWO, APRIL EIGHT, LAST, ALL BASED ATLANTA, FOLLOW:

CAPTAIN HARRY ROBERT ANDERSON, ELEVEN MAGNOLIA
DR., RT. TWO, NEWNAN, GA.

FIRST OFFICER WENDELL BARRE HALEY, THREE ZERO
EIGHT NINE WASHINGTON ROAD, APT. SIX, EAST POINT, GA.

SECOND OFFICER LANCE C. ANDERSON, ONE NINE THREE
FIVE ALISON CT., S.W., APT. H: SIXTEEN, ATLANTA, GA.

SENIOR FLIGHT ATTENDANT HAROLD J. CORNWELL, ONE ONE
TWO TWO KEY ROAD, S.E., ATLANTA, GA.

FLIGHT ATTENDANT MARJORIE M. EASTERLY, ONE ZERO SIX
EAST TEMPLE AVE., COLLEGE PARK, GA.

CHICAGO, AT EAL, DETERMINE WHERE PILOTS MC MILLIAN,
POWELL AND SWEEDLER CAN BE LOCATED AND SET LEADS TO SHOW PHOTOS

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