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OF SUSPECT RAY AND DETERLINE IF OBSERVED AS PASSENGER.

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TO: DIRECTOR MEMPHIS CHICAGO

FROM: ST. LOUIS (44-775)

MURKIN - SUMMARY

DISCRETE FISUR DISCLOSED JERRY RAY LEFT SL ELEVEN FIVE AM THIS DATE IN HIS CAR. CHICAGO ADVISED TELEPHONICALLY. NOT AT MAC ARTHUR HOTEL, APPARENTLY STAYED WITH BROTHER JOHN. NO INDICATION HE CONTACTED PERSONS OTHER THAN JOHN AND SISTER CAROL PEPPER.

JOHN RAY NOT AVAILABLE UNTIL LATE THIS AFTERNOON. SA'S CONTACTED HIM AT GRAPVINE TAVERN, HAD SEVERAL CUSTOMERS, BARMAID GONE, WAS TENDING BAR ALONE. WAS CORDIAL, BUT STATED COULD NOT TALK WITH CUSTOMERS PRESENT. ASKED SA'S RETURN ELEVEN AM TOMORROW FOR INTERVIEW.

JOHN EUGENE GAWRON, AKA UNCLE JACK REINTERVIEWED. APPEARED COOPERATIVE. SA'S DID NOT DISCLOSE JERRY RAY VISIT BUT ASKED WHAT HAPPENED SINCE LAST CONTACTED. SUGGEST CHICAGO NOT MENTION GAWRON TO JERRY AT THIS TIME TO SEE IF HE VOLUNTEERS NAME.

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GAWRON SAID HE VISITED GRAPVINE APRIL TWENTY NINE, (PROBABLY BEFORE JERRY'S ARRIVAL). DID NOT MENTION JERRY, AND APPARENTLY WAS NOT ADVISED OF SAME BY JOHN. CLAIMED HE TAUGHT SUBJECT BURGLARY. TAUGHT USE OF GLOVES. UNABLE TO UNDERSTAND FAILURE TO USE GLOVES THIS CASE.

ASSOCIATED CLOSELY WITH SUBJECT FIFTY EIGHT FIFTY NINE UNTIL KROGER ROBBERYAPPREHENSION. PARTICIPATED WITH SUBJECT IN SOME OUT OF TOWN BURGLARIES. NEVER KNEW SUBJECT TO PULL ANY JOB ALONE. SUBJECT BASHFUL ON FIRST MEETING ANY FEMALE, TENDENCY TO LISP OR STUTTER MOST APPARENT AT THOSE TIMES. HAD NO PARTICULSR GIRL. SUBJECT PREFERS LAUREL SPRINGS BOURBON WITH SWEET SODA, CAN DRINK ENORMOUS QUANTITY WITHOUT NOTICEABLE EFFECT. DOES NOT SMOKE OR LIKE BEER.

DENIED CONTACT WITH SUBJECT SINCE KROGER ARREST OR KNOW-LEDGE OF WHEREABOUTS SINCE ESCAPE. SEEMED HURT THAT SUBJECT HAD NOT CONTACTED HIM. WHEN ASKED WHERE HE THOUGHT SUBJECT IS, HE SAID EUROPE, AS SUBJECT ONCE SAID WOULD LIKE TO GO TO SPAIN. BUREAU NOTE SUBJECT TOOK SPANISH COURSE IN LEAVENWORTH. END PAGE TWO

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GAWRON BORN , CHICAGO. IS DISABLED MARINE VETERAN. VA RECORDS WILL BE REVIEWED, SERIAL NUMBER DETERMINED AND IDENT RECORD REQUESTED.

GAWRON AGREED TO VISIT GRAPEVINE TONITE.

ALBERT PEPPER, BROTHER IN LAW OF SUBJECT WILL BE INTERVIEWED TOMORROW MORNING PER BUREAU PHONE CALL THIS DATE.

ATTEMPT WILL BE MADE TO LOCATE PEPPERS BROTHER, FRANKLIN

DANIEL PEPPER, NAVY DESERTER, BUFILE FOUR TWO DASH TWO TWO FOUR

NINE THREE FOUR AT RESIDENCE OF PARENTS SEVENTEEN THIRTEEN

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COVERAGE OF RELATIVES BEING INSTITUTED AS DIRECTED.

FELLOW PRISONER INTERVIEWS CONTINUING.

SUBJECT ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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TO:

DIRECTOR (44-38861) AND SACS MEMPHIS, ATLANTA,

SPRINGFIELD, ST. LOUIS

FROM:

SAC CHICAGO (44-1114)

MURKIN.

DIFFEREN SUMMARY

RE JOHN GOWRON

INVESTIGATION CHICAGO REVEALED THAT GAWRON, CLOSE ASSOCIATE OF SUBJECT AND FAMILY, INCARCERATED STATE PRISON, JOLIET, PONTIAC, AND MENARD, ILLINOIS, FOR NUMEROUS BURGLARY VIOLATIONS. COMPLETE PRISON FILE MAINTAINED MENARD, ILLINOIS, UNDER FBI NO. ONE THREE FOUR THREE THREE FOUR. INFO FURNISHED TELEPHONICALLY TO SPRINGFIELD.

RE BROTHER JERRY RAY

JERRY REINTERVIEWED THIS DATE. ADVISED LEFT CHICAGO APRIL 30 KAST APRIL 24 LAST
BECAME TIRED SPENT UNTIL FOUR AM IN MOTEL BRAIDWOOD, ILLINOIS, ARRIVED ST. LOUIS NINE AM. STAYED AT JOHN RAY'S APARTMENT, LEMP STREET UNTIL NOON THEN WENT TO CAROL PEPPER'S RESIDENCE, STAYED THERE APPROXIMATELY TWO HOURS, RETURNED TO JOHN'S TAVERN, AND STAYED THERE AND WITH JOHN UNTIL LEAVING ST. LOUIS ABOUT ELEVEN AM INSTANT.

RJD:mr Approved.

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MOST OF CONVERSATION WITH JOHN AND CAROL CENTERED AROUND ARTICLE IN LIFE MAGAZINE. STATES NO INDICATION, IN CONVERSATION WITH BEAR JOHN OR CAROL, THAT THEY AWARE OF SUBJECT'S PRESENT WHEREABOUTS FOR WHEREABOUTS ESCAPE UNTIL SEPTEMBER ONE LAST. JOHN TOLD HIM FBI COMBED TWO BLOCK AREA LOOKING FOR JACK GAWRON, BROTHER AWARE GAWRON INTERVIEWED BY FBI BUT NO INDICATION THAT DETAILS OF INTERVIEW KNOWN. ADMITS THAT, IN PAST, HE DROVE GAWRON AROUND LOOKING AT POSSIBLE BURGLARY SCORES AT WHICH TIME GAWRON WOULD PAY FOR EXPENSES. STATES TO HIS KNOWLEDGE, GAWRON NEVER COMMITTED BURGLARY IN PLACES CASED AND CLASSIFIED HIM AS PERSON LIVING ON PAST GLORIES. JERRY STATES WALTER RIFE WAS BROTHER JAMES RAP PARTNER IN LEAVENWORTH AND THAT HE, JERRY, SERVED TIME WITH BOTH LONNIE AND WALTER RIFE IN MENARD. JERRY CONTINUES TO EXPRESS COOPERATIVE ATTITUDE. DID NOT SEE GAWRON WHILE IN ST. LOUIS.

RE JAMES E. BODKER

INVESTIGATION CHICAGO REVEALS BODKER IS AN ACTUAL
INDIVIDUAL, HAS CAR SUBURBAN MOTORS, AND WAS AT HIS MOTHER'S
RESIDENCE APRIL FOUR LAST. ELIMINATED. ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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FBI ATLANTA

942A EDT URGENT 5/2/68 VSC

TO DIRECTOR, BIRMINGHAM, CHICAGO, JACKSONVILLE, NEW YORK, MIAMI AND MEMPHIS

FROM ATLANTA 44-2386 1P

MURKIN

RE MIAMI TEL, MAY ONE LAST AND ATLANTA TELCALL TO ABOVE OFFICES, MAY TWO, INSTANT.

PASSENGERS AS SIXTYEIGHT AMERICAN REBEL RENTED AT HERTZ
ATLANTA, APR. SEVEN, 'SIXTYEIGHT, BY J. TERRENCE WOLKERSTORFER,
ST. PAUL, MINN. AND LEFT AUTO AT BIRMINGHAM AIRPORT, APR. NINE,
LAST.

INVESTIGATION ST. PAUL, MINN., AND ATLANTA, GA., CONTINUING
TO IDENTIFY WOLKERSTORFER.

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	FROM:	SAC, CINCINNATI (157-1893) (P)	
	SUBJECT:	MURKIN	
		Re NY airtel to Bureau, 4/25/68.	
	to identi Columbus,	The following investigation was conductory DONALD J. RAY, 994 South Roys Avenue, Ohio:	ed
	DONALD J. telephone	Current city and telephone directories RAY at 994 South Roys Avenue, wife SUSA 274-8883, employed as firefighter, City Directories reviewed 4/26/68.	NNA,
	DONALD J.	Mrs. RUTH CLAPROOD, Clerk, Driver's Lice MV, Columbus, Ohio, advised cecords show RAY, 994 South Roys Avenue, was born Columbus, Ohio, is 5'8" tall, weight 158 as brown hair and brown eyes. His SSN is and he is employed as a firefighter, olumbus.	
	RAY, wife Ohio, emp was emplo	Mrs. CARLA JACQUES, Credit Bureau of Co 4/26/68 advised from records DONALD JEAN SUSANNA, 994 South Roys Avenue, Columbus loyed as a firefighter, City of Columbus yed by Pure Oil Company for 10 years. So as been employed as a firefighter. Noth	s, ince
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derogatory appears in credit records concerning him.

Mrs. KAY NICHOLS, Record Room, Columbus PD, on 4/26/68 advised there is no record there for DONALD J. RAY.

RAY was interviewed 4/26/68. Residence and employment was verified. He has been employed as a firefighter, City of Columbus 12 years. His physical description does not fit that of JAMES EARL RAY, and his facial appearance does not resemble fugitive. He claims to have no relatives who resemble fugitive nor can he furnish any information to assist in locating subject.

No further investigation being taken concerning this person.

4/29/68

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TO:

DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

PROM:

SAC, PITTSBURGH (44-578) -P-

SUBJECT: MURKIN

4/18/68.

No Pittsburgh teletype to Bureau dated

Records from the Bureau of Public Debt. Parkersburg, W. Va., reviewed and reveal that a computer check of the names E. S. GALT and H. LOWIEYER or LOWNYER were negative with regard to individuals of that name purchasing U. S. savings bonds. 'The name E. S. GAULT appears 97 times, which indicates that 97 bonds bearing that name are on record as having been purchased.

The purchasers of these 97 bonds were determined to be the following six individuals:

- 1. Mrs. KLOISE S. GAULT 6278 Tourraine Avenue Newark, California, former address 24806 Broadmore Avenue, Mayward, California
- 2. EDWARD S. GAULT 9141 Grant Park Drive Affton, Missouri

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- 3. EDWARD S. GAULT 4 West Maryland Avenue Rockville, Maryland
- 4. Dr. EDWIN SARTAIN GAULT 11 North Kirklyn Avenue Upper Darby, Pa.
- 5. EDGAR S. GAULT 932 Beach Avenue LeGrange Park, Illinois
- 6. Miss KLIXABETH SARA GAULT 972 East Square Lake Road Bloomfield Hills, Nichigan

The name J. WILLARD was also searched and approximately 1000 savings bonds had been purchased by individuals with that name.

No leads are being set out to interview any of the individuals listed above or the holders of the savings beads in the name of J. WILLARD, UACOO.

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Re Dallas teletype to Bureau, Richmond, etc., 4/36/66.

It is noted that the confidential source mentioned in referenced teletype is ML 274-R. This was inadvertently omitted from retel. Error forms secred.

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KC 44-760 THW: ENV 1

The following investigation was conducted by SA THOMAS H. WEAVER:

AT JEFFERSON CITY, MISSOURI:

On April 29, 1968, a former inmate of the Missouri State Penitentiary advised as follows:

He knew JAMES EARL RAY at the Missouri State Penitentiary (MSP). From his conversations with RAY, he learned that RAY's maximum ambition in life was to make a "score" of about \$20 - \$30,000.00, after which he would go to Mexico to "hide out", living simply on the loot at the favorable Mexican exchange rate. RAY had spoken to him about his previous trips to Mexico, following "two or three" armed robberies, involving small scores, where he would "cool off" and live on beer, beans and milk. RAY spoke of Campeche Bay, near the Yucatan Peninsula, and he spoke of living with peasants on the outskirts of the town of Campeche, Mexico. RAY also spoke of a cheap "red light district" he favored located in the town of Torreon or Torrejon (phonetic), which the former MSP inmate thought was located in north central Mexico. Cost was a factor in anything RAY did, and he apparently lived frugally and budgeted his money carefully.

RAY did not like Negroes in general, but he expressed no particular feeling toward MARTIN LUTHER KING, although he has heard RAY refer to Dr. KING as "MARTIN LUTHER COON". RAY read enthusiastically, especially the weekly news magazines available at the MSP, and he would react in an outspoken manner opposing H. RAP BROWN and STOKELY CARMICHAEL when he read of their activities, as well as in opposition to publicity Dr. KING received in certain instances.

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The former MSP immate never heard of any bounty mentioned with regard to Br. KING at the MSP or elsewhere. He believes he has heard RAY speculate that there might be some money available through some splinter group for the murder of BROWN or CARMICHAEL, but he never heard him speak in this regard about Dr. KING. RAY did not mention specific groups or any knowledge of any real payoff information. He recalls RAY's telling him, during the time he colled with him, that while he was on the minor construction detail at the MSP, one of the guards referred to the Negro impates working on the detail as "boy", and the Negroes went on a "sit-down" strike, and induced about two of the white immates to join their strike, and when one of the Negroes referred to RAY as "gray", he got into a fight with that immate, although the prison officials never learned of the fight, and the former MEP immate's knowledge of the fight was as a result of RAY's telling him, and he does not know whether or not it is true.

RAY was a hypechondriac in that he took six or seven different kinds of pills daily, imagining that he had a "cranial depression" and a "rapid palpitation of the heart". He would use former immate's watch with a second hand and time his pulse. He was able to obtain "pills" from going on sick call as well as through immate sources in the MSP. The former immate had some pills he had obtained for treatment of his arthritis, from which he obtained no relief, and RAY took these pills, thinking that he might some day have arthritis, and the pills might ward off future effects of that affliction. He believes RAY was selling amphetamine all the time he was in the MSP, but former immate does not know his source.

RAY mentioned a traffic for the sale of small appliances in Mexico, due to the tariff Mexicans had to pay for such items they purchased legally, and he speke of having sunggled such items into Mexico. He said he was acquainted with a man who operated a small scale sunggling business, who lived near the town of Campeche, Mexico. RAY mentioned this man so often that former immate recalls his name: either MATEO LOPEZ GARCIA or MATEO GARCIA LOPEZ, who apparently had lived for some time in the United States, and who spake English. He believes this is the man RAY referred

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to as the owner of a small fishing boat, and he would smuggle things from Brownsville, Texas, into Mexice through Campeche Bay. He believes RAY made trips on this boat with the man, and apparently Mexican Mationals are not checked upon entering Mexico through Campeche Bay in fishing boats. He does not believe RAY could speak Spanish, other than for basic words for basic needs. He heard RAY mention a brether in St. Louis, Missouri, and he believes some of RAY's trips to Mexico were with either the brother or with someone he had participated in armed robberies with, name not given. RAY indicated he had invested a little money in TV sets and washing machines which were transported to Mexico by his friend with the fishing boat. RAY said he had been to Mexico City "a couple of times", and he apparently liked Mexico City, but said it was a "tourist trap", and he could not afford to stay there.

RAY's only reference to working had to do with past bartending jobs. He believes RAY said he had tended har senswhere in Peoria, Illinois, and at some other town in southern Illinois, exact location not known. He never mentioned Oregon or Canada, that former immate recalls.

RAY never mentioned to him his plans for escape or specific plans to hide out any particular place, but his conversation indicated he wanted to "make the one big score" and retire in Nexico. He mentioned that he and another man, name not mentioned, drove to Mexico, apparently Campeche, one time, in an old model Chevrolet, specific routes not mentioned. He does not know how RAY made his other trips to Mexico he claimed to have made. He said that he had lived in a rented three-room shack on the outskirts of Campeche, within walking distance of the town, and from his conversation, former immate gathered that this was during the late 1950's. RAY said he had been in Arisona before, but he did not mention any of the Mexican-United States Border towns, other than Brownsville, Texas.

He recalls RAY mentioned having watched a "fire dance" dene by small Hegro boys at a hetel in Acapulco, Mexico. He indicated he had not stayed at the hotel where the performance was, since it was too expensive, but stayed at an unnamed cheaper hotel, and he indicated that live coals

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were kicked over a cliff into the surf below the hotel, after which the boys would dive into the surf as it rushed through a small inlet.

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He recalls RAY once had another immate, KENNY HURT, or HURTT, in about 1966, send out about \$15.00 for him ence, purportedly for the purchase of stationery for legal papers. The prison authorities watch immate expenditures closely and at the time, the immates were allowed only about \$23.00 per month expenditures, but RAY had some income from his illegal activities in prison and needed to cenceal the money in other than his own treasury account. HURTT get RAY's money and sent it out to a Mr. and Mrs. (name unrecalled) Stationery Company in St. Louis, Missouri, but no stationery ever came to MURTT, who worried about it and thought it might have been stolen until he was told it would never come, by RAY, who had used HURTT for getting rid of the money without HURTT's knowledge of what he was doing.

Pormer MSP immate does not know who RAY might contact, other than the supposed friend at Campoche he named, and he has no knowledge of his whereabouts and no knowledge of his plans to escape, or activities following escape. He does not approve of the marder with which RAY is charged, however, and desired to furnish the above information to help if he can.

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DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

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FROM:

SAC, KANSAS CITY (44-760) P

MURKIN

Enclosed herewith to the Bureau are 3 copies of an investigative insert concerning an interview with CECIL CLAYTON EILLIBPIDGE aka CABL LILLIBRIDGE, MSP 167755. KILLIBRIDGE is currently confined in the Cole County Jail, Jefferson City, Mo. and requested his identity be concealed. Therefore his name is not being set forth on the investigative insert.

2 copies above insert are enclosed to Memphis.

1 copy above insert enclosed to San Antonio, St. Louis and Chicago.

The pertinent portion of this information has previously bean furnished by teletype, however the insert is being enclosed for complete information.

It is to be noted that the prison records reveal JOHN HURTT aka KENNETH HURTT, MSP #75502, on 1/20/67, sent a

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KC 44-760 money order in the amount of \$15.25 to the Albert J. Pepper Stationery Co., 712A Shanendoah St., St. Louis, Ho. A review of the file relects ALBERT J. PEPPER related to subject. In view of this it is felt that ell the information furnished by LILLIBRIDGE may be correct. Kansas City office is reviewing prison records in an attempt to locate KENNETH HURTT. Other leads in this matter were set out by teletype. ARMED AND DANGEROUS. 2 2025 RELEASE UNDER E.O. 14176

5/1/68

AIRTEL

TO : SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (44-1114)

SUBJECT: MURKIN - COST DATA

Re Memphis airtel to Albany 4/19/68.

The following information compiled or estimated through 4/30/68, reflects the requested data in referenced airtel:

1. TOTAL MAN HOURS

A. SPECIAL AGENTS

Regular Hours - 2,387 Overtime Hours - 790

Total Man Hours - 3,177

B. CLERICAL EMPLOYEES

Regular Hours - 432 Overtime Hours - 131

Total Hours - 563

2. TOTAL MILEAGE TRAVELED BY BUREAU CARS ON THIS CASE - 9,784 miles

3. OUT OF ORDINARY COSTS

A. TELEPHONE INSTALLATION AND COSTS AS FOLLOWS:

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Item	Installation	Monthly Cost
2 Call Directors @ \$12.00 each per month. Installation \$41.00 each.	\$ 82.00	\$ 24.00
2 Terminals, Installation \$6.00 each; Monthly charge \$1.40 each	12.00	2.80
1 Change of location for terminal	6.00	
2 Selectors @ \$4.50 each per month		9.00
1 ASR Model 35 TWX	50.00	115.00
Additional equipment costs in connection with installation of the Call Directors mentioned above: 12 KL-3 @ \$2.95 each per month		25.6 0
less credit of 4 KL-2 @ \$2.45 each per month gives total additional charge of		23.60
TOTAL	\$150.00	\$176.40
GRAND TOTAL		\$326.40
B. COST OF TELETYPES SERT - 100 teletypes at an average exti cost of \$1.50 each		\$150.00
C. REPRODUCTIONS:		
1,000 xerox copies at 8¢ eac	h	\$ 80.00
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1200 photos at 5¢ each		\$ 60.00
TOTAL OUT OF ORDINARY EXPENSES		\$736.40
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TO:

DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861) SACS, MEMPHIS (44-1987)

ST. LOUIS (44-775)

FROM:

SAC, CHICAGO (44-1114)

MURKIN

RE ST. LOUIS TEL AND CG SUMMARYTEL BOTH CHAYLONE LAST.

RE JOHN EUGENE GAWRON. INFO FURNISHED BY JERRY RAY

CONCERNING GAWRON WAS VOLUNTEERED BY HIM WITH STATEMENT THAT

GAWRON WAS AN INDIVIDUAL HE PROBABLY SHOULD HAVE TOLD AGENTS

ABOUT BEFORE SINCE HE WAS AWARE THAT GAWRON HAD SERVED TIME

WITH SUBJECT. JERRY OF OPINION SUBJECT WOULD NOT CONTACT

GAWRON BUT STATED SUBJECT KNOWS GANRON WELL BEFF CONSIDERS HIM

TO BE SLIGHTLY "STIR CRAZY." NO INFORMATION ELICITED FROM

JERRY INDICATING THAT GAWRON AND SUBJECT PARTICIPATED IN

BURGLARIES TOGETHER. CHICAGO WILL ATTEMPT TO DEVELOP FROM

JERRY HIS KNOWLEDGE AS TO CLOSENESS OF ASSOCIATION BETWEEN

SUBJECT AND GAWRON. THIS WILL NOT BE DONE BY DIRECT INQUIRY

BUT DISCREETLY SO AS NOT TO COMPROMISE GAWRON'S POSSIBLE USE

AB SOURCE. NOTE THAT JERRY OF LIMITED MENTAL CAPACITY. IN Terry Expresses No personal opinion of subjects action in Killing but INTERVIEWS ACONTINUALLY SETS OUT OPINIONS FROM NEWSPAPERS AND OTHER SOURCES THAT SUBJECT INNOCENT OF CHME. STATES BOTH

CAROL AND JOHN OF OPINION SUBJECT "SET UP" STREET OSED AS "EALL

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1055AM URGENT 5-2-68 SAB

TO DIRECTOR, AND CHICAGO

FROM MEMPHIS 44-1987

MURKIN.



INFO ON PAGE TWO RETEL MAKES COMMENT TO EFFECT JERRY RAY

STATED HE RECEIVED NO INDICATION IN CONVERSATION WITH JOHN OR
CAROL THAT THEY AWARE OF SUBJECT'S PRESENT WHEREABOUTS OR WHEREABOUTS SINCE ESCAPE UNTIL SEPTEMBER ONE LAST.

REQUEST CHICAGO CLARIFY INFO SINCE MEMPHIS HAS NO DATA

TO DISCLOSE THAT BROTHER JOHN OR SISTER CAROL HAD PREVIOUS KNOWLEDGE AS

TO WHEREABOUTS OF SUBJECT. INFO AVAILABLE AT MEMPHIS DISCLOSES

THAT SUBJECT PROBABLY IN BIRMINGHAM AT THAT TIME.

REQUEST CHICAGO ADVISE HOW JOHN OR CAROL KNEW WHEREABOUTS SUBJECT, DID SUBJECT CONTACT THEM BY TELEPHONE, IN PERSON, OR BY LETTER? IF CONTACT WAS MADE FROM BIRMINGHAM, DETERMINE IF POSSIBLE WHETHER OR NOT INFO AVAILABLE INDICATING SUBJECT RESIDED AT HIGHLAND AVENUE ADDRESS OR DID HE HAVE NEW ADDRESS.

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Via AIRTEL

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TO:

SAC, CHICAGO (44-1114)

FROM:

SAC, NEW YORK (44-1609)

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Chicago airtel to Milwaukee, 4/19/68 and Milwaukee airtel to Chicago, 4/23/68.

Investigation at New York City disclosed that National Associations of Ballroom Dancers is unknown to officials of Dance Magazine Inc. and Ballroom Dancers Association. Also, no organization known that issues orange membership cards. Ballroom Dancers Association is a local club with approximately 75 members. Official advises she knows all members and none are similar to JAMES EARL RAY. No subscriptions for RAY or FARBER located.

Two other organizations were mentioned as possibilities they were: National Ballroom Operators Association, Box 624, Des Moines, Iowa and National Association of Dance Masters, 32 W. Randolf, Chicago, Illinois. Neither of these are known to issue orange membership cards. No leads being set out in view of Milwaukee establishing WILLIAM FERBER received traffic violations during period RAY was in jail.

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Re Memphis telephone call 4/25/68 requesting summary of pertinent parts of investigation, Kansas City area.

Since determining that ERIC STARVO CAULT identical with JAMES EARL FAY, most of the pertinent parts of investigation in the Kansas City Division consists of interviewing prison officials, fellow immates, and reviewing records at Missouri State Penitentiary (MSP), Jefferson City, Lo.

hSP contains an average of 1,200 inmates. JAMES E. RAY was serving a 20-year sentence there for robbery, first, and operating motor vehicle without permission. He was received at MSP 3/17/60. He reportedly escaped 4/23/67. It is believed he hid in a box delivering bread from the main prison to the MSP Church Farm, a dairy farm located eight miles north of the main prison in an isolated area. There are approximately 250 to 300 prisoners at this farm. Subject's brother, JOHN RAY, St. Louis, No., visited him nine times during the period of his incarceration, the last time being 4/22/67. his only other visitor was another brother, JERRY W. FAY, Wheeling, Ill., who visited him five times during the same period.

Generally, the interviews with fellow inmates and prison officials revealed subject to be a "loner", and was called the "hide-out guy", because he would stay hidden within

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KC 44-340 the confines of MSP for a matter of days at a time. Subject reportedly used amphetamines and barbituates while in prison. He reportedly injected them in his veins by use of a syringe and needle. Fellow prisoners stated he had a difficult time doing this because of small veins. RAY preferred to cell alone at the prison, was very quiet, and made few friends. The majority of those that knew him felt he was incapable of murdering Dr. KING. Reports conflict as to any homosexual activity on the part of subject. It was stated he did read "girlie" books and even engaged in selling and renting books at the HSP. He reportedly was "very tight" with his money, and used it mainly to support his drug habit. During his period of incarceration he received numerous money orders, averaging approximately \$25.00 a piece. host of these were sent by the two brothers, mentioned above. Reports conflict on his anti-Negro sentiments, however, prior to his serving time in the ESP, he was incarcerated at U. S. Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Ks. (USPL) from 1955 until 1958. On release report from USPL, dated April, 1958, it stated "On 9/12/57 RAY was approved for our honor farm, but was never actually transferred to such assignment due to the fact he did not feel he could live in honor farm dormitories because they are integrated. Due to this fact, he was never placed under such status. He was assigned to bakery where he remained until released." In MSF, RAY always worked in the kitchen or bakery. One fellow inmate, MSP, stated that RAY had talked of previously working in the lumber industry in Oregon, and especially enjoyed the Royue River area. Another fellow inmate stated RAY liked to tinker with mechanical things, and liked to regain radios. Information was received that subject had made previous attempts to escape from MSP, but each time was unsuccessful. On one occasion, the ladder placed against the prison wall broke as he attempted to climb it, and on a second occasion, the rope he was using failed to support him and he fell, injuring his arm. -2-2025 RELEASE UNDER E.O. 14176

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Because of his attempts to escape, he was given a psychiatric evaluation at the RSP, and this report, dated 10/24/66 reveals that he has no physical disease or defect which requires treatment at this time. His memory is uninpaired for both recent and remote events; his speech is coherent, and there are no hallucinations or delusions. He appears somewhat tense and anxious at times, showed some mild depression, but not of psychotic proportions. He has good verbal assessment of reality, but in the past he has used poor juggment. Psychological tests indicate he has an IQ of 105, which places him within the average range of intellectual functioning. Tests also showed some degree of depression but no evidence of a psychosis. he was diagnosed as having a sociopathic personality, anti-social type, with anxiety and depressive features, but has no mental disease or defect within the meaning of Section 552.010, hissouri State Code.

GEORGE BEN EDMONDSON, former Top Ten, also former escapee from the MSP, who was located in Canada and is currently incarcerated at MSP, advised that RAY associated with all the St. Louis inmates at the MSP; appeared normal in all associations, but would be "trying to make a buck where he could." EDMONDSON stated all the inmates, MSP, are familiar with procedure to get Canadian passports which are easy to come by, since all that is required to secure same in hontreal is birth certificate, baptismal certificate, plus statement by a "guarantor" and \$5.00. EDMONDSON said most baptismal records have a source in the Ste. Justine Parrish and contact is made to obtain same through "floaters" in the Rue Notre Dame area and there is a pipeline in Montreal.

Another fellow inmate stated he did not believe RAY would go to hexico or leave the U.S. during his escape. This innate also stated that RAY was very nervous from use of drugs, which caused him to have a bad stomach and this resulted in RAY's having to quit smoking.

handwriting samples of subject were obtained from the hSP and forwarded to the Ful Laboratory, which resolved that the "GALT" writings considered together and the specimen from hSP, their fKl71, can be identified as having been prepared by the same individual.

They further stated because of limited material and lack of comparable letters and letter combinations, it could

not be determined whether the "hARVEY LOWMYER" signature on the K-72 gun invoice was prepared by JAMES E. FAY. Additional handwriting samples are being obtained from the MSP and will be forwarded to the FDI Laboratory.

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JUN 7 CP	7.00+			3.00 -		3.06 •
JUN 20 '60	3.00+			3.00 -		.06 •
JUL 5 CP				2.00		4.06 •
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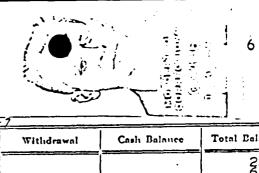
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M. J. STEWART, Treasurer, Missouri State
Penitentiary, Inmates' Bank, furnished the following data
from the file of former inmate JAMES EARL RAY. He said
this represented all of RAY's financial transactions, through
the penitentiary facility from March 20, 1960, to the present.
He said there were no means by which the reasons for withdrawals could be established. He said he would determine
from whom money orders were received.

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Enclosed for the Bureau, Chicago, Memphis, and St. Louis is one copy each of FD-302 reflecting interview with M. J. STEWART, Treasurer, Missouri State Penitentiary, Inmates' Bank, regarding JAMES EABL RAY's financial transactions at this institution.

Copies being furnished Chicago and St. Louis because brothers of subject reside in those areas.

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FROM:

SAC, CHICAGO (44-1114)

MURKIN.

RE MEMPHIS TEL TO BUREAU AND CHICAGO INSTANT.

RE INTERVIEW BROTHER JERRY, MAY ONE LAST STATES HAS NO INFO OR INDICATION FROM JOHN RAY OR CAROL PEPPER THAT THEY WERE EVER AWARE OF SUBJECT'S WHEREABOUTS SINCE IN FUGITIVE STATUS. JERRY HAS NO INFO OR INDICATION THAT ANY CONTACT HAS BEEN MADE BY THE SUBJECT WITH EITHER JOHN OR CAROL AND IS OF STRONG OPINION THAT NO CONTACT HAS BEEN MADE. IN LAST INTERVIEW AND OTHER INTERVIEWS, JERRY HAS STATED THAT HE HAS READ THAT THE FIRST APPEARANCE OF ERIC STARVO GALT WAS SEPTEMBER ONE LAST AT BIRMINGHAM. ATTEMPTING TO DETERMINE POSSIBILITY OF BROTHER JOHN'S ASSISTING SUBJECT IN ESCAPE, JERRY WAS QUESTIONED AS TO WHETHER OR NOT JOHN DID AID SUBJECT AND WHETHER JOHN OR CAROL HAD ANY INFORMATION CONCERNING SUBJECT'S WHEREABOUTS FROM TIME OF

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ESCAPE UNTIL NEWSPAPER ACCOUNT OF GALT'S APPEARANCE IN BIRMINGHAM ON SEPTEMBER ONE LAST. TO BOTH QUESTIONS, HE ANSWERED NEGATIVELY.

HE SAID THAT BOTH JOHN AND CAROL CLOSELY FOLLOW THE NEWSPAPER ARTICLES CONCERNING THE SUBJECT AND IN CONVERSATIONS WITH THEM, THEY HAVE DISCUSSED THE VARIOUS ARTICLES AND TO HIS KNOWLEDGE, THIS IS THE ONLY SOURCE OF INFORMATION THEY HAVE. NOTE THAT CHICAGO AND OTHER NEWSPAPERS HAVE PUBLISHED MAPS SETTING FORTH DATES WHERE SUBJECT KNOWN TO BE IN SPECIFIC TOWNS AND TRAVEL ITINERARY.

AM CC TO ATLANTA, SPRINGFIELD, ST. LOUIS, AND BIRMINGHAM.

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TO DIRECTOR (44-38861), CHICAGO & MEMPHIS

FROM BUFFALO (44-374)



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

RE CHICAGO TEL APRIL THIRTY LAST.

BERT S. LONNGREN, COORDINATOR, OUTBOUND TRAFFIC, EASTMAN KODAK COMPANY (EKCO), ROCHESTER, NEW YORK, ADVISED NO WARRANTY GIVEN FOR ANY KODAK CAMERA EQUIPMENT AND SERIAL NUMBERS NOT RECORDED WHEN SHIPPED BY COMPANY. RAYMOND PORTER, DIRECTOR OF SECURITY, EKCO OFFICE, ROCHESTER, ADVISED WARRANTY IS FURNISHED FOR KODAK PROJECTOR M-NINE FIVE Z AND APPROXIMATELY FIFTY PER CENT ARE RETURNED BY PURCHASERS. APPROXIMATELY SIX THOUSAND SOLD AND WARRANTY RETURNED SINCE OCTOBER, SIXTYSEVEN, AND CHECKS BEING MADE TO DETERMINE IF WARRANTY RETURNED BY SUBJECT, WHICH WOULD CONTAIN SERIAL NUMBER.

RICHARD TOWNSEND, GENERAL MANAGER, REPAIR CENTER, ECKO,

ROCHESTER, ADVISED CAMERAS RECEIVED FOR REPAIRS ARE RECORDED

BY NAME AND BY STATE IN WHICH RESIDING. TOWNSEND ALSO ADVISED

REPAIR OFFICES FOR COMPANY LOCATED NEW YORK CITY, ATLANTA,

LOS ANGELES, SAN FRANCISCO, CHICAGO AND DALLAS, PLUS THIRTYFOUR

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CAMERA SHOPS RECOGNIZED BY COMPANY TO DO REPAIRS ON EQUIPMENT.

ALL CAMERA EQUIPMENT HAS GUARANTEE FOR ONE YEAR AFTER PURCHASE

IF DUE TO DEFECT BY MANUFACTURER, BUT NO CARD IS FURNISHED FOR

RETURN TO COMPANY IN THIS INSTANCE. CONTACTS BEING MADE WITH

KODAK EXECUTIVES FOR COOPERATION IN CHECK OF ALL REPAIR CENTERS

FOR SUBJECT.

INQUIRY DISCLOSED NO WAY TO DETERMINE PROJECTOR SOLD LOS ANGELES AREA NOVEMBER, SIXTYSEVEN THROUGH MARCH, SIXTYEIGHT.

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FROM:

SAC, CHICAGO (44-1114)

MURKIN

RE BUTEL MAY ONE LAST.

RE FULL COVERAGE OF RELATIVES. B. EGGENBERGER, CHREF
SECURITY OFFICER, ILLINOIS BELL TELEPHONE (IBT), CHICAGO,
ADVISES TOLL CALL RECORDS ONLY MAINTAINED FOR SIX MONTH PERIOD.
ALSO DUE TO IBT STRIKE DIFFICULTY WILL BE ENCOUNTERED OBTAINING
TOLL CALL RECORDS BUT WILL DO SO AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. FULL
SECURITY AND BUREAU'S INTEREST WILL BE FULLY PROTECTED. TOLL
CALLS FROM PHONE OF SISTER SUSAN DONIAN BEING OBTAINED. NOTE
THAT POSSIBILITY OF SUBJECT KNOWING HER WHEREABOUTS EXTREMELY
REMOTE.

RE BROTHER JERRY RAY, JERRY TELEPHONICALLY CONTACTS

CASE AGENT DAILY AND IS PHYSICALLY CONTACTED BY ANOTHER AGENT

ON A DAILY BASIS. HIS EMPLOYER AND COUNTRY CLUB MANAGER COM
PLETELY COOPERATIVE AND WILL ADVISE OF ANY UNUSUAL ACTIVITY

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ON PART OF JERRY. IN ADDITION SECURITY GUARD SERVICE FOR COUNTRY CLUB MAKES HOURLY CHECKS DURING EVENING TO DETERMINE THAT JERRY AT WORK.

AS PREVIOUSLY NOTED JERRY IS MAINTENANCE MAN FOR COUNTRY CLUB FROM ELEVEN PM UNTIL FINISHED NEXT MORNING, THEREBY HAS ACCESS TO FOUR PRIVATE PHONES AND SEVEN PAY PHONES LOCATED ON COUNTRY CLUB PREMISES. THE PHONE IN THE COTTAGE WHERE JERRY RESIDES IS UTILIZED BY ALL OTHER MEMBER OF THE COTTAGE. IN LETTER TO MARJORIE FETTERS, CAMDEN, N.J., JERRY MAKES COMMENT INDICATING THAT PAY PHONE USED DURING CONTACT WITH HER. FEASIBILITY OF CONTINUING CHECKS ON TOLL CALLS FROM THE ABOVE MENTIONED PHONES AT COUNTRY CLUB BEING DISCUSSED WITH 1BT WHO ARE OF THE OPINION THAT DUE TO NUMBER OF CALLS THEY MIGHT NOT BE ABLE TO HANDLE.

IN THIS REGARD OFFICES RECEIVING THIS TELE FURNISH PHONE AND KNOWN ASSOCIATES

NUMBERS OF RELATIVES A. NEWARK FURNISH PHONE NUMBER OF MARJORIE

FETTERS. BUREAU WILL BE ADVISED OF TELEPHONE COVERAGE EFFECTED.

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RE ASSOCIATES AND INDIVIDUALS MAKING FREQUENT CONTACTS
WITH RELATIVES. SUSAN DONIAN COOPERATING WITH THIS OFFICE.
BOTH SHE AND HUSBAND VERY APPREHENSIVE OF CONNECTION WITH
SUBJECT BECOMING KNOWN. ALSO, DUE TO INFORMATION SET FORTH IN
"LIFE" MAGAZINE, HUSBAND CONCERNED OVER POSSIBLE LOSS OF
BUSINESS FROM RESULTING NOTORIETY SINCE HIS CONTACTS ARE ON
PERSONAL BASIS. ACCORDINGLY, NO DIRECT CONTACT WITH DONIANS'
ASSOCIATES CHICAGO WILL BE MADE PENDING ADDITIONAL INVESTIGATION
DEVELOPING ANY ASSOCIATION OR POSSIBILITY SUBJECT AWARE OF
SUSAN'S LOCATION, UACB.

FROM INTERVIEWS AND INVESTIGATION, JERRY RAY FRIENDLY
WITH EMPLOYEES AT COUNTRY CLUB BUT HAS ONLY TWO CLOSE ASSOCIATES,
BOTH EMPLOYEES, ONE IS SINGLE AND RESIDES IN SAME COTTAGE
AT COUNTRY CLUB. THE OTHER MARRIED RESIDES IN MT. PROSPECT,
ILLINOIS. ALSO DURING BRIEF MARRIAGE THIS AREA, JERRY DID
NOT DEVELOP ANY ACQUAINTANCES OR ASSOCIATES AMONG EX-WIFE'S
FRIENDS OR RELATIVES. AM CC TO MEMPHIS.

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TO ATLANTA, BIRMINGHAM, CHICAGO, JACKSON, KANSAS CITY. MEMPHIS, MOBILE, NEW ORLEANS, ST. LOUIS, SAVANNAH AND SPRINGFIELD

FROM DIRECTOR (44-38861) 2P

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IT IS NOTED THAT SUBJECT APPARENTLY WAS NEAT IN HIS DRESS AND REGULARLY UTILIZED LAUNDRY AND DRY CLEANING SERVICES.

THE ATLANTA, BIRMINGHAM, JACKSON, MEMPHIS, MOBILE AND SAVANNAH OFFICES SHOULD GIVE CONSIDERATION TO CIRCULARIZING IO'S AND/OR WANTED FLYERS TO ALL LAUNDRIES AND DRY CLEANING ESTABLISHMENTS IN YOUR HEADQUARTERS CITY AND OTHHER LOGICAL POINTS IN YOUR TERRITORY. IN THE OTHER OFFICES THIS CIRCULARIZATION MAY BE LIMITED TO SUCH ESTABLISHMENTS IN THE LARGER CITIES AT THIS TIME. IT IS SUGGESTED THAT THOSE ESTABLISHMENTS LOCATED IN THE LOWER CLASS ROOMING HOUSE AREAS BE CONTACTED FIRST. IN ADDITION PERSONAL CONTACT FOR PURPOSE OF SHOWING SLICK PHOTOGRAPHS / 16 END PAGE ONE

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MEMPHIS IMMEDIATELY FURNISH EACH OFFICE SUFFICIENT
BACKGROUND REGARDING LAUNDRY MARKINGS AND ANY OTHER
PERTINENT INFORMATION ON THE LAUNDRY ASPECTS OF THIS CASE.

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FROM: SAC, CHICAGO (44-1114)

MURKIN SUMMARY

BROTHER JERRY WILLIAM RAY. IN INTERVIEW THIS DATE

JERRY ADVISED HE HAD BEEN INTERVIEWED BY "SUN TIMES" REPORTER

FURNISHING ONLY FAMILY INFO. NO COMMENT MADE AS TO ANY INFO

HE HAD FURNISHED TO FBI. DID TELL REPORTER. HE BELIEVES

FBI WILL FIND SUBJECT SINCE FBI FOUND HIM SO QUICKLY. NO

ADDITIONAL ASSOCIATES OF EITHER SUBJECT OR JERRY DEVELOPED.

STATES OCCASIONALLY USES PHONE IN COTTAGE, COMMON TO OTHER

ROOMERS, BUT ALSO MAKES CALLS FROM VARIOUS PAY PHONES WITHIN

COUNTRY CLUB. SURVEY THIS DATE REVEALS FOUR PRIVATE PHONES

AND SEVEN PAY PHONES AVAILABLE FOR JERRY'S USE. ALSO THERE

IS \$ SHOPPING CENTER WITHIN # FOUR BLOCK AREA WITH NUMEROUS

PHONE BOOTHS.

IN CONVERSATION, ATTEMPTING TO DEVELOP FURTHER ASSOCIATES
OF SUBJECT, JERRY STATED THE JOSEPH AUSTIN WAS PROBABLY

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•	CLOSEST TO SUBJECT AT TIME BUT KNOWS OF NO ASSOCIATION
•	RECENTLY. STATED JACK GAWRON NOT PARTICULARLY CLOSE TO SUBJECT
	BECAUSE OF TENDENCY TO TALK ABOUT "SCORES" NO KNOWLEDGE
	WHETHER GAWRON AND SUBJECT COMMITTED CRIMES TOGETHER BUT DOES
!	NOT THINK THEY DID. NO OPINION STATED NOR ELICITED AS TO
	BELIEF WHETHER OR NOT SUBJECT MIGHT CONTACT GAWRON.
 	RE JAMES E. BODKER. INTERVIEWED THIS DATE. ELIMINATED
	AS SUBJECT OR CO CONSPIRATOR.
	LOOK ALIKE LEADS BEING HANDLED ON AN EXPEDITE CONTINUING
	BASIS. TWO ADDITIONAL INDIVIDUALS WHO MADE THREATS AGAINST
ľ	KING ELIMIATED AS CO CONSPIRATORS. BUREAU ADVISED BY
	SEPARATE TEL.
	ARMED AND DANGEROUS.
	RE TOLL CALLS. IBT FURNISHING AVAILABLE TOLL TICKETS
	OF SUSAN DONIAN, SISTER, WITH FULL SECURITY. POSSIBILITY
(A)	OF OBTAINING TOLL CALLS FOR ALL PHONES AVAILABLE TO JERRY BEING
	EXPLORED. ALSO THROUGH ADDITIONAL SOURCES CHICAGO ATTEMPTING
	TO DETERMINE PHONE NOST COMMONLY USED BY JERRY.
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FBI ST LOUIS

1106PM URGENT 5-2-68 JHH

TO: DIRECTOR MEMPHIS KANSAS CITY CHICAGO

FROM: ST. LOUIS (44-775)

MURKIN SUMMARY

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RE BUREAU TELETYPE TO ST. LOUIS THIS DATE.

RE GRAPEVINE TAVERN.

LICENSE OBTAINED BY CAROL PEPPER, SUBJECTS SISTER, AS

SOLE OWNER AND OPERATOR, WHEREAS JOHN LARRY RAY, SUBJECTS BROTHER,
WHO HAS CRIMINAL RECORD, HAS EVERY APPEARANCE OF BEING ACTUAL
OPERATOR. ALLOWING EX-CON TO OPERATE IS GROUND FOR LICENSE
REVOCATION UNDER STATE LAW. LEASE IS IN NAME OF CAROL PEPPER,
AND RENT PAID BY HER CHECKS. UTILITIES IN HER NAME. SUPPLIERS
PAID IN CASH ON DELIVERY. JOHN RAY EXECUTED MORTGAGE FOR BEER
COOLER WITH CAROL AS CO SIGNER. FACTS WILL BE DISCUSSED
HYPOTHETICALLY WITH ATU TO DETERMINE IF SUFFICIENT TO CONSTITUTE
VIOLATION OF TITLE TWENTY SIX, SECTIONSEVEN TWO ZERO SIX PARAGRAPH
TWO, U. S. CODE. IF SO, WILLBE USED AS LEVER TO OBTAIN COOPERATION
OF BOTH.

TAVERN BEING COVERED BY SOURCES AND SPOT CHECKS IN CONNECTION WITH COVERAGE OF JOHN RAY. HE HAS NO TELEPHONE AT RESIDENCE. TOLL CALLS FROM TAVERN BEING COMPILED BY TELEPHONE COMPANY AT THIS TIME.

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RE JOHN LARRY RAY:

RE INTERVIEWED TODAY. APPEARED COOPERATIVE. SAID BROTHER JERRY ARRIVED NINE THIRTY AM APRIL THIRTY. THEY TALKED WITH CAROL PEPPER OF HARASSMENT BY REPORTERS. JERRY SAID IF IT CONTINUED HE WOULD QUIT JOB. JERRY LEFT FOR CHICAGO ELEVEN AM MAY FIRST. JOHN HAD NO REASON TO BELIEVE JERRY OR CAROL CONTACTED OR HEARD FROM SUBJECT SINCE ESCAPE. JERRY SAID IS ONLY MEMBER OF FAMILY WITH STABLE ADDRESS KNOWN TO SUBJECT, WHO HAS NOT MOVED SINCE ESCAPE. ADMITTED SENDING MONEY TO SUBJECT IN PRISON AS SUBJECT HAD DONE SAME FOR HIM. UNABLE TO RECALL SPECIFIC DATES OR AMOUNTS. BELIEVED IF SUBJECT KILLED KING HE WAS EITHER CRAZY OR PAID. IF CRAZY. WOULD NOT CONTACT FAMILY. IF FOR MONEY, WOULD NOT CONTACT AS WOULD NOT NEED HELP. AND WOULD PROBABLY BE KILLED BY PAYER. BELIEVED SUBJECT BECAME NARCOTICS USER IN ARMY AS HAS NOT SEEMED RIGHT SINCE. KNEW OF NO CLOSE FRIENDS OF SUBJECT. NO IDEA OF SUBJECTS WHEREABOUTS. WELCOMED RECONTACT AT ANY TIME.

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RE ALBERT PEPPER AND PEPPER STATIONERY CO.

NO INDICATION OF EXISTENCE OF PEPPER STATIONERY CO.,
TO WHOM SUBJECT ALLEGEDLY SENT MONEY THRU SUBTERFUGE FROM MSP.
ADDRESS GIVEN WAS FORMER RESIDENCE OF ALBERT PEPPER, HUSBAND
OF CAROL PEPPER, SUBJECTS SISTER.

ALBERT PEPPER REINTERVIEWED. NOT ANTAGONISTIC. DENIED KNOWLEDGE OF RECEIPT OF FUNDS FROM SUBJECT IN MEP OR AT STATIONERY CO., BUT INDICATED WIFE MIGHT HAVE, AS SHE IS HOME AND HE IS GONE DURING DAY. NEVER MET SUBJECT. MARRIED CAROL AFTER SUBJECT IN MSP. DENIED KNOWLEDGE OF SUBJECTS WHEREABOUTS OR ANY CONTACT WITH FAMILY. TOLD RUNNING OFF LIFE REPORTER WITH CLUB. REALIZED FBI NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR LIFE ARTICLE. AGREED TO URGE CAROL TO COOPERATE WITH FBI. HE WILLING TO BE RE CONTACTED ANY TIME NECESSARY. PEPPER RESIDENCE COVERED BY NEIGHBOR, SPOT CHECKS AND SA RESIDING IN AREA. PHONE COMPANY COMPILING TOLL CALLS.

RE JOHN GAWRON. 🔪

REINTERVIEWED TODAY. LEARNED AT GRAPEVINE LAST NIGHT OF
JERRY RAY SL VISIT. DENIED TELLING JOHN RAY OF PREVIOUS FBI
CONTACTS. WAS CONVINCED FROM PREVIOUS TALKS WITH JOHN AND CAROL
SUBJECT HAD NOT COME TO SL AFTER ESCAPE. RECALLED SUBJECT
CONTACTED HIM THRU CAROL THREE TIMES WHILE IN MSP WITH REQUEST
HE PURCHASE CASE OF COLD INHALANT, PROBABLY BENZEDRINE.
UNIDENTIFIED MSP GUARD MADE TRIPS TO PICK UP SAME AND STATED
PAID ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS EACH TRIP. GAWRON BELIEVED SUBJECT