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further inquired as to [REDACTED] profession and [REDACTED] indicated to him that he was a lawyer. He said that the patron left the bar prior to his departure and apparently was alone and not seen in the company of any other person while at the bar.

On April 18, 1968, a search was made of the current KSU catalogue and it was ascertained that a [REDACTED] was on the faculty of the KSU associated with the English Department of that university.

Inasmuch as those interviewed, after viewing a photograph of GALT, did not feel that he was identical to the subject in this matter, no further investigation is recommended.

4/25/68

TELETYPE

URGENT

TO: DIRECTOR  
ATLANTA  
NEW YORK

FROM: MEMPHIS (44-1987)

MURKIN.

RE CLEVELAND AIRTEL APRIL TWENTYFOUR, SIXTYEIGHT.

REFERENCE AIRTEL REQUESTS NEW YORK OFFICE MAKE CONTACT  
AT NBC NEWS AND DETERMINE IDENTITY ALCOHOLIC CLINIC IN ATLANTA SO  
ATLANTA THEREAFTER MAY IDENTIFY PERSON WHO APPEARED ON PROGRAM  
BELIEVED TO RESEMBLE SKETCHES OF GALT.

MEMPHIS OF OPINION NEW YORK NEED NOT HANDLE LEAD AS  
ATLANTA CAN THROUGH SOURCES DETERMINE WHEREABOUTS ALCOHOLIC CLINIC  
AND CAN ELIMINATE ON BASIS OF RECORDS THERE WHETHER OR NOT PERSON  
BY NAME RUDOLPH HELON or HALLON WHO REPORTEDLY APPEARED IN PROGRAM  
IS IDENTICAL WITH SUBJECT.

MEMPHIS PERSONNEL WHO RECALLED SEEING PROGRAM BELIEVE  
PERSON OF INTEREST WAS PERSON CALLED RUDY WHO HAD EXTENSIVE ARREST  
RECORD FOR ALCOHOLISM AND WAS ONE WHOM CAMERA FOLLOWED INTO LIQUOR  
STORE. ATLANTA RESOLVE. AIR MAIL COPY TO CLEVELAND.

A & D. P.

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CC: 1 - CLEVELAND (AM) (44-565)

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URGENT

TO SPRINGFIELD  
FROM INDIANAPOLIS (44-563)  
MURKIN - CIVIL RIGHTS, OO: MEMPHIS

RE CV TEL TO IP, APRIL TWENTYFIVE INSTANT AND SI TEL TO  
CV, APRIL TWENTYFIVE INSTANT.

WILLIAM JOSEPH KRAMZAR SERVING SENTENCES FOR WSTA, ITSMV,  
AT U. S. PENITENTIARY, TERRE HAUTE, IND. ADVISED TODAY WAS  
NEVER CONFINED STATE PENITENTIARY, JEFFERSON CITY, MISSOURI.  
KRAMZAR STATED RAY AND RIFE UNKNOWN TO HIM BY NAMES, ALIASES,  
PHOTOS. KRAMZAR STATES WAS CONFINED COUNTY JAIL, CARTHAGE,  
MISSOURI FROM OCT. SIXTYFOUR TO FEB. SIXTYFIVE, AWAITING  
ITSMV TRIAL. KRAMZAR SAID WAS ARRESTED SIXTYFOUR, SELMA,  
ALA. WITH JESSE RAY CARSON, WHO USED ALIAS JESSE RAY. STATES  
CARSON DEFINITELY NOT IDENTICAL TO JAMES EARL RAY.

KRAMZAR'S FILE REVIEWED, SHOWED NOTHING INDICATING WAS EVER  
CONFINED JEFFERSON CITY, MISSOURI.

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AIR MAIL COPIES TO CLEVELAND AND MEMPHIS.

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END.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, CLEVELAND (44-565) (P)

FROM : SA ROBERT A. BILGREEN

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 4-30-68

The following investigation was conducted by  
SA ROBERT A. BILGREEN on April 11, 1968.

RAY FASULA, Deputy, Ashtabula County Sheriff's Office, Jefferson, Ohio, advised that he does not know anyone by the name [REDACTED]. He checked the 1954 Ashtabula County Directory and found a listing for a [REDACTED]. Both names were checked, and he could find no record in his files under either name.

[REDACTED] Superintendent, Ashtabula County Schools, Jefferson, Ohio, advised that he had no record under the name NAYONEN. He stated that [REDACTED] graduated from the Jefferson High School on May 26, 1953. He was born [REDACTED] at Richmond, Ohio; his father was shown as [REDACTED] a machine shop worker. He transferred to the Ashtabula County School System from the Blythe Grammar School, Blythe, California, on September 2, 1947. His address was [REDACTED].

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[REDACTED] (Protect Identity), Postmaster, U. S. Post Office, Jefferson, Ohio, advised the [REDACTED] used to be on his route. He checked some records he was storing and found that this family in about 1954, moved to Geneva, Ohio, [REDACTED].

Chief of Police LLOYD SPRAGUE, Geneva, Ohio, advised that he did not know the [REDACTED] family.

Patrolman JOHN BATES, Geneva, Ohio, Police Department, advised he was casually acquainted with the [REDACTED] family. He telephonically contacted [REDACTED] and determined that [REDACTED] is in military service and went to Viet Nam in September, 1967, and is still there.

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## Mexico Releases King Suspect

HERMOSILLO, Mexico — (UPI) — Police today released Daniel D. Kennedy, a bearded hitchhiker from Baltimore, whom they had arrested in their hunt for a suspect in the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King.

Kennedy was arrested yesterday in a cave in Caborca, 80 miles southwest of

Nogales, Ariz., and brought in handcuffs to this Sonora state capital 120 miles to the south after police questioned him for 12 hours in his hotel room.

The hotel owner had told police he thought Kennedy looked like James E. Ray, who is sought by the FBI.

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

C15 THE CLEVELAND  
PRESS  
(Cleveland, Ohio)

Date: 4/25/68  
Edition: FINAL  
Author:  
Editor: THOS. L. BOARDMAN  
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PM URGENT 4/29/68 CAB

TO ALL SACS - RELAY MESSAGE PLAN

FROM DIRECTOR, 44-38861 1P

MURKIN

ALL OFFICES HAVING LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES IN THEIR TERRITORIES WHICH MAINTAIN UNIDENTIFIED LATENT FINGERPRINTS IN CONNECTION WITH MATTERS UNDER THEIR JURISDICTION SHOULD IMMEDIATELY CONTACT THESE AGENCIES AND REQUEST THAT THE FINGERPRINTS OF SUBJECT JAMES EARL RAY AS SET FORTH ON THE IO BE COMPARED WITH LATENTS OBTAINED SINCE HIS ESCAPE FROM MISSOURI STATE PENITENTIARY ON FOUR TWENTY-THREE SIXTY-SEVEN.

THIS IS FOR THE PURPOSE OF POSSIBLY ESTABLISHING RAY'S PAST WHEREABOUTS AND SOURCE OF FUNDS. LEGATS OTTAWA AND MEXICO CITY REQUESTED TO DO LIKEWISE. ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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LJL

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TO: SAC, CLEVELAND(44-565) ATT: SA [REDACTED] 4-29-68

FROM: SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT MURKIN

Re Vinci airtel to Cv, 4-24-68, and copy of letter to Memphis Office, from [REDACTED] E. Palestine, Ohio bearing the names: ERIC STARVO GALT ; EARL VICTOR GAST.

On 4-29-68 SA [REDACTED] interviewed [REDACTED] Secretary at Herriott Trucking Co., E. Palestine, Ohio and it was ascertained she had written the letter to Memphis FBI Office, with above two names. Upon questioning, she said she had taken the letters from the name "ERIC STARVO GALT" and changed them about into: "EARL VICTOR GAST", without any reason. She stated there <sup>are no</sup> ~~are no~~ such persons with these names at E. Palestine, Ohio and she knows of no such persons, but she thought it might help the FBI if she furnished the above information. She was thanked for her interest in this matter.

Mr. WALLACE DILLWORTH, Chief of Police, E. Palestine, Ohio on 4-29-68 was of assistance in this matter, by identifying the above [REDACTED] and by advising there is no one in the area ~~XXXXXX~~ bearing the above names as furnished by her.

Above for info.

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TO: SAC, CLEVELAND (44-565) ATT: SAMC CANN 4-29-68

FROM: SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Complaint Form by [REDACTED], 4-24-68 re [REDACTED].

[REDACTED] Portland, Ohio was recontacted by SA [REDACTED] on 4-29-68 and it was ascertained that no additional facts or details were available re the hitchhiker seen on 4-22-68 near Howland, Ohio (Rts. 46 and 82). [REDACTED] said there was no other person with him at time he had viewed this hitchhiker, whom he described as white; male; 35-40 yrs; 5'11"; 170-175 lbs.; ruddy complexion; slight beard.

[REDACTED] was thanked for his information and he commented he had notified the FBI because the above described person looked "out of place", and not because he resembled any photo of RAY.

Above for info.

jwd

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, CLEVELAND (44-565)

DATE: 4/15/68

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Reference is made to Memo of [REDACTED] 4/9/68.

On 4/12/68, ERNEST SAVARISI, Detective Division, Ashtabula, Ohio, P.D. advised that upon receipt of the information from [REDACTED] he immediately dispatched a car to contact them and notified all cars and patrolmen to be alert for suspect described by them. He furnished a copy of a report prepared by H. ANDREWS the investigating officer. Following is the information set forth on XX description sheets presented to [REDACTED] by Lt. H. ANDREWS.

Description furnished by [REDACTED] on 4/9/68.

Race	White
Sex	Male
Age	40-45 Years
Weight	170-180
Height	Medium
Build	Medium
Eyes	Blue
Complexion	Light
Hair	Sandy, thick, Reasonably curly
Characteristics	Marks on face, Southern accent
Dress	Black & Gold Jacket, crest on shoulder of the Sigma Tau Nu Fraternity, Rail Road Cap.
Remarks	Would not say where he came from.

Description furnished by [REDACTED] on 4/9/68.

Race	White
Sex	Male
Age	40-45 Years
Weight	180 #
Height	Medium
Build	Medium
Hair	Blond
Eyes	Blue
Ears	Normal
Dress	Black & Gold Jacket, Rail Road Cap in good Cond.

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City **Ashtabula, O.** - DIVISION OF POLICE

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Complainant **Wm. Dubiel age 19 & Eugene P. Anthony 18** Complaint **Suspicious Person**  
 Address **151 Earl Ave 401 W. Main Rd.** Location **Penn Central RR**  
**N. Madison 428 2549 Conneaut, O 594 2116** Ann Ave  
 Received By **H. Andrews** How Received **in Person** Date **4-9-68**  
 Officers Assigned **Dept/** Time **4:45 P.M.**

Disposition

[REDACTED] were both working inside at Plant # 3 of the Molded Fiber Glass Body Co. on Ann Ave. when about 1:15 P.M. a white male came to an opening along the railroad tracks and asked what City he was in and in what direction the town or business section was. These two workers asked where he came from and he said a long way off and wouldn't tell them where. He talked with a southern accent. This white male was wearing a railroad engineers cap and a black and gold jacket with a crest on the left shoulder. This crest was of the Sigma Tau Nu Fraternity. This Fraternity is predominately a Southern one. This man was described as being in his early 40s, medium build, sandy thick hair, blue eyes

[REDACTED] thought this man looked similar to a sketch they saw on the news of the killer of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. They told their boss about it but he thought it far fetched so they had to wait until they finished work to report this. They were given description sheets to fill out and the cruisers on duty were given this information.

  
 Investigating Officers

On 4/12/68, [REDACTED]  
Ohio was contacted at plant No. 3, Molded Fiber Glass Body  
works, Ann Ave. Ashtabula, Ohio.

He stated that a man walked up to the loading dock  
of the plant from the area of the Rail Road tracks on 4/9/68.  
He asked the name of the town then stated he just got off the  
train and indicated that he must have taken the wrong train.  
The only information he would give was that he came from a  
long way away. He asked for directions to the city of  
Ashtabula and left walking in the direction of the city.

He stated that he had observed a composit photo of  
the suspect in this matter on the Huntley Brinkley Report  
on Monday evening and believed this individual looked like  
the suspect. He stated that since talking to the Police he  
observed a photo of the suspect in the paper and decided that  
the person observed by him differed from the suspect as  
follows; His eyes were not as deep set; His nose did not have  
the same distinctive point. He stated the receding hairline  
and general shape of the face were similar to the suspect.

He furnished the following description of the person  
he observed.

Sex	Male
Race	White
Age	At least forty but not over 45-50.
Height	5'8"- <del>XX</del> 6'
Weight	165-180#
Build	Medium
Hair	Sandy, cut neatly, wavey, thick, receding hair line
Eyes	Blue
Complexion	Tanned, Fair to Medium
Characteristics	Face Pock marked not heavily but in the cheek area and noticable. Southern accent. Showed in speech that he had education of high school level or some college.
Dress	Black & Gold Jacket with crest on shoulder of the Sigma Tau Nu Fraternity, clothing neat and clean and well cared for to the point he did not look like he had been riding a train. Was not in age group of a college student and wondered where he obtained jacket. <i>Rail Road Cop.</i>

He advised he had never noted others in area getting off  
trains but noted that trains go slow here as they are either  
approaching the Rail Road yards or leaving them which are a  
short distance to the West.

On 4/12/68, [REDACTED]  
Conneaut, Ohio was contacted at the Molded Fiber Glass  
Body Works Plant # 3, Ann Ave., Ashtabula, Ohio.

He advised that a man approached the loading dock of the plant and asked the name of the city. He would not state where he came from and indicated that he must have gotten on the wrong train. He left the area in the direction of the city of Ashtabula, Ohio. He stated that he has never observed a photo of the suspect in this case.

He furnished the following description of this individual.

Race	White
Sex	Male
Age	37 - 45 years
Height	5'8" - 6'
Weight	165-180 #
Build	Medium
Hair	Sandy, wavy, neatly cut, thick, receding hairline.
Complexion	Medium, darker than fair
Eyes	Blue
Characteristics	Sort of smirk on face, seemed alarmed when he learned where he was. when asked where he came from raised hands palm out and said from far away. <i>Pock Marks on face.</i>
Clothing	Black & Gold Jacket, Rail Road type cap- with bill and stripes. Clothing neat, clean and well cared for, didn't look like he had been riding the rails.

He has never previously observed anyone walking the Rails in this area. He stated the R.R. yards are a short distance to the west and therefore the trains go slow in this area.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC-44-(565) P

DATE: 4/30/68

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Ref. serial # 279.

On 4/30/68, [REDACTED] Security Officer, National Tube Co., Lorain, Ohio was contacted by the writer. [REDACTED] advised that [REDACTED] was the Foreman of the American Bridge at National Tube. He advised that he would determine whether or not there was an individual by the name of RAY, first or second name, working under [REDACTED] presently, or in the past. He advised that he would also attempt to determine the identity of any employee who would currently be layed off due to an injured arm.

[REDACTED] later called and advised that he had the employee records checked for the past year, and determined that there were no employees with the last name of RAY who had worked for the American Bridge of National Tube. He advised that there is no employee currently layed off ~~for a~~ due to a bad arm. He advised that there is an employee of American Bridge with the first name of RAYMOND, but that this individual is 50 years old, and has been with the Co. for 8-9 years, and bears no resemblance to JAMES EARL RAY, aka. He advised that this individual's name is [REDACTED], and is a native of Lorain.



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*Joe*  
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Date April 29, 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:

Enclosed are copies of photographs taken by a woman companion of the subject while he was in Mexico in the Fall of 1967.

These are for your further assistance in connection with efforts to locate the subject.

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Complaint Form  
FD-71 (Rev. 7-21-67)

NOTE: Hand print names legibly; handwriting satisfactory for remainder.

Indices: ☐ Negative ☐ See below

Subject's name and aliases  MURKIN				Character of case  44-565			
				Complainant <div style="background-color: black; width: 150px; height: 20px;"></div>			
				Complaint received  <input type="checkbox"/> Personal <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Telephonic Date 4-30-68 Time 4:00PM			
Address of subject				Complainant's address and telephone number  529 East 109th, CV (851-5989)			
Subject's Description	Race  W	Sex  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female	Height  5'11"	Hair  Drk. brown	Build	Birth date and Birthplace	
	Age		Weight	Eyes  Small	Complexion  Pale		
	Scars, marks or other data						
	Facts of complaint  Complainant stated that he works at Ford, Plant #1, Section 4686, Brookpark Rd., Brookpark, Ohio, from 6:00AM - 3:30PM.  On this date the car pool in which he belongs stopped for air at the Payless Station on Brookpark Rd., and Ingle Rd., which is almost directly across from Ford. In the station was a male dressed in Texan outfit, levi trousers, large belt, straw hat and wearing a brown wig.  Compl. stated male looked like pictures of RAY that he had seen and was probably hitch-hiking, as this station is a truck stop also.						
Action Recommended    (Agent)				Harold A. Latukka  44-565-308 <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;">SEARCHED.....INDEXED..... SERIALIZED.....FILED..... APR 30 1968 FBI - CLEVELAND</div>			

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*Memorandum*

TO : ALL SENIOR RESIDENT AGENTS, DATE 4-30-68  
ALL RESIDENT AGENTS, AND ALL HEADQUARTERS  
CITY AGENTS WITH POLICE DEPARTMENT LIAISON

FROM : SA JOHN DAVIS ROBERSON

SUBJECT: MURKIN

By teletype dated 4-29-68, the Bureau has directed that all offices having law enforcement agencies in their territories which maintain unidentified latent fingerprints in connection with matters under their jurisdiction should immediately contact these agencies and request that the fingerprints of subject JAMES EARL RAY as set forth on the IO be compared with latents obtained since his escape from Missouri State Penitentiary on April 23, 1967.

This is for the purpose of possibly establishing RAY's past whereabouts and source of funds.

Each Resident Agent will see that all law enforcement agencies in his territory falling in the above category will be contacted, furnished with the above request, and insure that each department has subject's fingerprint classification in its files.

Each Agent who is assigned liaison with a police department will contact the department assigned to him, fulfill the above request and insure that the department has on file the fingerprint classification of subject.

It is requested that upon completion of above matter the initialed memorandum be returned setting forth the department and date of contact.

Each Senior Resident Agent is responsible for affirming the contacting of appropriate law enforcement agencies.

It is to be noted that the Bureau has stressed that all leads in this matter should be handled expeditiously within 24 hours and given top priority.

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TO DIRECTOR (44-38861), MDMPHIS, SAN FRANCISCO, SEATTLE AND

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FROM CHICAGO (44-1114) P 2P

MURKIN.

RE THREATS TO MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

RE [REDACTED]

ON SEPTEMBER SIX, SIXTYSIX, [REDACTED] TELEPHONED CHICAGO FBI, CLAIMED HE HAD MET A WHITE FEMALE, [REDACTED] (PH) IN A CHICAGO BAR, WHO TOOK HIM TO "NAZI" MEETING. AT THIS MEETING HE WAS ASSIGNED TO SHOOT KING IN RETURN FOR HIS FAMILYS SAFETY. HE CLAIMED HE WAS FIRST CLARS VARMINT SHOOTER AND POSSESSED HIGH POWERED RIFLE COLLECTION. HE CLAIMED HE WAS NOT ASSOCIATED WITH AMERICAN NAZI PARTY.

BUREAU HAS INSTRUCTED CRAMER BE INVESTIGATED ON TOP PRIORITY BASIS, SUTELING ALL LEADS, TO DETERMINE WHETHER HE COULD BE CONSPIRATOR IN LURKIN.

CLEVELAND TEL APRIL TWO SEVEN, LAST, REPORTED INTERVIEWS WITH [REDACTED] RELATIVES IN OHIO, WHO SAID [REDACTED] ALCHOLIC WITH LONG  
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HISTORY OF MAKING UP STORIES.

EXTENSIVE INVESTIGATION CHICAGO RESULTED LOCATION  
[REDACTED] WIFE, [REDACTED], FROM WHOM SEPARATED. SHE TALKED  
TELEPHONICALLY WITH [REDACTED] ON APRIL TWO FOUR, LAST, AT WHICH TIME  
[REDACTED] SAID LIVING BUSH HOTEL, SIX TWO ONE NORTH JACKSON, BEATTLE,  
WASHINGTON, AND WORKING UNNAMED SPORTING GOODS STORE. [REDACTED]  
SAID THINKING OF MOVING TO YMCA, SEATTLE, OR OF GOING TO VISIT  
FRIEND, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA. WIFE BELIEVED [REDACTED] SPENT FEBRUARY  
THROUGH APRIL IN OHIO.

SAN FRANCISCO ATTEMPT LOCATE CRALER THROUGH [REDACTED]  
INTERVIEW CRALER, ESTABLISH RECENT WHEREABOUTS, VERIFY THROUGH  
SEPARATE INVESTIGATION.

SEATTLE HANDLE BUSH HOTEL AND YMCA FOR SAME PURPOSE.

CLEVELAND NOTE BROTHER, [REDACTED] SAYS CRALER WAS NOT IN  
OHIO PAST SEVERAL MONTHS TO HIS KNOWLEDGE. ASCERTAIN IDENTITY  
AND LOCATION OF MOTHER, FINDLAY, OHIO, AND INTERVIEW FOR RECENT  
VERIFIABLE WHEREABOUTS CRAMER LOOKING TOWARDS ELIMINATION OR  
INVOLVEMENT MURKIN.

ALL OFFICES ADVISE IF LOCATED TO AVOID UNNECESSARY INQUIRY.

A AND D.

END

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FBI CLEVELAND

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, CLEVELAND (44-565)

DATE: 4/5/68

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: MURKIN

This will record that the following informants and PCIs were telephonically contacted to determine if they had any info re the identity of the assassin in captioned case or any other pertinent info in that matter: CV 450 - C, CV 778 - C, and PCI Ollie Henry. None had any pertinent info but all said they would be alert and would immediately furnish any info coming to their attention to the Cleveland Office.

They were also again reminded of the Bureau's interest in developing advance info of racial unrest, planned disturbances, trouble spots, situations which may trigger violence, sabotage, destruction of Government property, etc. All advised they would cooperate in this area and promptly advise of any info coming to their attention.

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WMC/

- 1- 44-565 (McCann)
- 1- 157-263 (Corbett)
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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, CV (44-565)

DATE: April 29, 1968

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: MURKIN

On 4/26/68, SA [REDACTED] and the writer contacted the following individuals at the places indicated in an effort to determine if the subject had been seen in the Plaza Bar or the Weaver Hotel, Bucyrus, Ohio, it being noted both businesses are located in the same building on West Mansfield St:

[REDACTED], Bar Maid, Plaza Bar  
[REDACTED] Clerk, Weaver Hotel  
[REDACTED], resident of Weaver Hotel and one who frequents the Plaza Bar.

The above persons were contacted after unsuccessful efforts were made to contact [REDACTED] who lives at the Weaver Hotel and who works part time at the Plaza Bar. It is noted [REDACTED] had previously called the Cleveland Office and reported on 4/18/68 he had observed someone in the Plaza Bar whom he thought resembled the subject.

None of the above, after they observed photos of the subject, could state they had seen someone in either place of business whom they thought resembled the subject.

Since the above could furnish no information of value, it was mentioned to them that later efforts would be made to contact [REDACTED]

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC

DATE: 4-29-68

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

☐ CI ☐ SI ☐ R (Prob)

☐ PCI ☐ PSI ☐ R

SUBJECT:

CV 538 C

Dates of Contact

4-26-68

Titles and File #s on which contacted

44-565 MURKIN

Purpose and results of contact

☒ NEGATIVE

☐ POSITIVE

☐ STATISTIC

☒ Informant certified that he has  
furnished all information obtained  
by him since last contact.

Rating

Same

Coverage

Same

Informant now resides 308 High St., N.W.,  
CANTON. Phone 455-6020

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC (44-565)  
ATTN: SA McCANN

DATE: 4/28/68

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: MURKIN  
JAMES EARL RAY, aka -  
FUGITIVE

*SKIP*  
On 4/26/68, [REDACTED] Postal Inspector, advised that officials at the Madison Avenue Branch, USPO, advised him that on 4/3/68, one JAMES M. GAULT, 1920 Collingwood Ave., Toledo, O., had rented PO Box 1140, at the above Branch. He said he was passing this information on in view of the fact that the name of the box renter is quite similiar to GALT, one of subject's aliases. He said there is no other relationship existiting between the two as far as he knows.

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MADISON AVENUE STATION, USPO,

On 4/26/68, [REDACTED] Clerk, above PO, advised that he handled the rental of Box 1140, on 4/3/68. On that date a white, male, about 40 years, 5'10", 190 lbs., reddish ~~xxxx~~ hair, wearing a Chief Petty Officer's Navy uniform, entered the Post Office and inquired about renting a box. He told the clerk he had completed 27 years in the Navy and had three to go for retirement. He said he was on 30 days leave and would not have a permanent address during that period. The clerk believes that this person appeared at the Post Office quite close to noon on 4/3/68. When asked for identification he produced an Ohio Automobile Title, # 481 36 5838, issued to JAMES M. GAULT, 1920 Collingwood Ave., Toledo, O. He told the clerk he had just come from Chicago, Ill., where he had been "rolled," and all of his personal papers, including his ID card, had been stolen. He mentioned that the only mail he would be receiving would be from his daughter, name not furnished, in Detroit, Mich. GAULT rented the box through June, 1968, paid in cash, and left the post office on foot.

[REDACTED] viewed subject's photo and advised that the person renting the above box was most certainly not identical to ~~subject~~ and did not bear any resemblance to ~~subject~~.

JAMES EARL RAY

RAY

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[redacted] advised further that no mail has been received for PO Box 1140, since 4/3/68.

On 4/26/68, 1st Class Petty Officer [redacted], US Navy Recruiting, advised that no one named JAMES M. GAULT is presently assigned to recruiting duties in the Toledo area. He also checked with his Headquarters in Cleveland, O., and determined that no one by that name is on orders to report for duty to Toledo. He suggested that GAULT is probably on leave in Toledo from some other Navy station.

On 4/26/68, Chief Petty Officer [redacted], USN Reserve Training Station, Bay View Park, advised that his files do not reflect a JAMES M. GAULT as an active duty or reserve member of the USN in Toledo, O.

On 4/26/68, [redacted] Executive Towers, 1920 Collingwood Ave., advised that JAMES M. GAULT is not a present or past tenant at this address. Subject's photo was not familiar to her. She added that she receives frequent inquiries concerning persons who use 1920 Collingwood Ave., as an address and do not live here as the Executive Towers is considered ~~xxx~~ a "prestige address" in Toledo.

On 4/26/68, [redacted] Lucas County Title Bureau, advised that Ohio Title 481 36 5038, dated 1/25/68, reflects that on that date JAMES M. GAULT, 1920 Collingwood Ave., Toledo, O., titled a 1953 Plymouth, 2-door Coupe, Cranbrook, VIN 133 22 691, which he had purchased from [redacted] 26617 Collingwood, Roseville, Mich., for \$10.00, on 1/25/68. Original title was Michigan Title T 884701, issued 10/5/66. Notary was GERALD BORYCZ, Wayne County, Michigan.

On 4/28/68, [redacted] Credit Bureau of Greater Toledo, advised that her files were negative concerning JAMES M. GAULT.

On 4/28/68, Patrolman JULIUS MATERNI, Record Bureau, Toledo PD, advised that his records were negative with respect to JAMES M. GAULT. END

SKIP { Inasmuch as JAMES M. GAULT was in Toledo, O., as of noon, 4/3/68, and since the only person who saw GAULT states emphatically that he and subject are not identical it is felt that further efforts to locate GAULT would serve no useful purpose.

*See next Page for Cont details*

Complaint Form  
FD-71 (Rev. 7-21-67)

NOTE: Hand print names legibly; handwriting satisfactory for remainder.

Indices: ☐ Negative ☐ See below

Subject's name and aliases

MURKIN

Character of case

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Complainant

Complaint received

☐ Personal ☒ Telephonic Date 4-30-68 Time 10:00AM

Address of subject

Complainant's address and telephone number

1334 East 93rd, CV

Subject's Description	Race	Sex	Height	Hair	Build	Birth date and Birthplace
	Age	<input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female	Weight	Eyes	Complexion	
	Scars, marks or other data					

Facts of complaint

Complainant stated that he had "vibrations" the day before KING was killed and knew something would happen.

Complainant stated now he has been getting "vibrations" now which indicate subject RAY may be holding up in a correctional institution, perhaps even the same one he escaped from, or some other elsewhere.

Complainant was advised all public suggestions are being considered and his would be made record of in the CV office.

*Indef.*

*No action  
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Harold A. Latukka

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TELETYPE

URGENT

TO: ATLANTA

FROM: CLEVELAND (26-28161)

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CAPTIONED VEHICLE RECOVERED ABANDONED BY CLEVELAND PD, APRIL TWENTYFOUR, LAST. EXAMINATION REFLECTED VIN PLATE AND ENGINE MISSING. NATB, CHICAGO, ADVISED VEHICLE RENTED APRIL NINETEEN, LAST, BY AVIS RENT-A-CAR, ATLANTA, GEORGIA, TO

CLEVELAND. VEHICLE BORE FLORIDA LICENSE NINE E ONE TWO SEVEN EIGHT AT TIME OF RENTAL. NO STOLEN REPORT CLEVELAND PD.

VEHICLE STORED AT DIETRICH'S GARAGE, THREE ONE TWO EIGHT FULTON ROAD, CLEVELAND, NOT IN RUNNING CONDITION. ATLANTA NOTIFY AVIS RENT-A-CAR CONDITION AND LOCATION OF VEHICLE. ASCERTAIN WHETHER AUTOMOBILE CONSIDERED STOLEN.

IT IS NOTED THAT VEHICLE RENTED ON APRIL NINETEEN, LAST, TWO WEEKS AFTER JAMES EARL RAY KNOWN TO BE IN ATLANTA BUT IT IS SUGGESTED THAT SUBJECT'S PICTURE BE DISPLAYED AT AVIS TO DETERMINE IF HE POSSIBLY IDENTICAL TO

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advised car  
leaving process*

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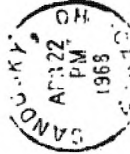
CLEVELAND WILL ATTEMPT TO LOCATE AND INTERVIEW [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]  
P.

END.

DEAR SIR

I UNDERSTAND - A  
30/06 - S.P. - COSTS  
254 - KINDLY - GIVE  
THE - ENCLOSED  
MONEY - TO THE - MAN  
THAT - SHOT - ONE  
OF THESE - BULLETS  
IN - YOUR - CITY  
WATELY - IF - YOU  
EVER - SEE - HIM.



Postmaster

PH 46E - 1869  
ANTARIC



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CHIEF, OF, POLICE  
MEMPHIS  
TENN.

*Quinn [unclear]*

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AIRTEL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)  
ATTENTION: IDENTIFICATION DIVISION, LATENT  
FINGERPRINT SECTION AND FBI LABORATORY,  
DOCUMENT SECTION

FROM: SAC, CLEVELAND (44-565) (P)

RE: MURKIN

Enclosed for the Bureau are the original and two copies each of (1) envelope addressed to the Postmaster, Pelee Island, Ontario, Canada, (2) unstamped envelope addressed to Chief of Police, Memphis, and (3) letter addressed "Dear Sir".

Memphis is being provided one copy each of the above.

On 4/30/68, SA [REDACTED] Sandusky RA, received an envelope addressed to FBI, Federal Building, Sandusky.

Upon opening the above envelope it was discovered that there was another envelope inside addressed to "Postmaster, Pelee, Island, Ontario, Canada", postmarked 4/22, Sandusky, Ohio. This envelope in turn contained an unstamped envelope addressed to Chief of Police, Memphis, Tennessee, and contained one quarter, two nickels and a note which read as follows:

"Dear Sir -

"I understand a 30/06 S.P. costs 25¢. Kindly give the enclosed money to the man that shot one of these bullets in your city lately - if you ever see him."

5 - Bureau (Enc. 9) (RM)  
1 - Memphis (44-1987) (Enc. 3) (Info)  
2 - Cleveland  
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*[Handwritten signatures and initials are present over the distribution list.]*

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The envelope addressed to the Chief of Police, Memphis, had been opened apparently by the Postmaster of Pelee Island.

It is noted that the above note contains no threats but in all probability makes indirect reference to the assassination of Reverend MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

It is requested that the FBI Document Section compare this note with their anonymous letter file for possible identification of the writer.

It is further requested that the letter be processed by the Identification Division for latent fingerprints which in turn, if located, would be compared with the prints of JAMES EARL RAY.

LEADS

CLEVELAND DIVISION

At Sandusky, Ohio

(1) Will contact Chief of Police, Pelee Island, Ontario, Canada, and request his cooperation in obtaining circumstances of the receipt and subsequent mailing of the above referenced letter to the FBI, Sandusky, at the Post Office of Pelee Island. Cleveland will conduct this investigation on Pelee Island subsequent to 5/7/68, UACB.

(2) Will contact Postmaster, Sandusky Post Office, and display copy of envelope in effort to determine if Postmaster is familiar with any individual who might be known to him or his department to mail such items.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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Date: April 25, 1968

Transmit the following in \_\_\_\_\_  
(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL  
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM: SAC, LOUISVILLE (44-947) (P)

SUBJECT: JAMES EARL RAY, Aka. -  
FUGITIVE;  
MURKIN  
CR; UFAC - ROBBERY

OO: ME

Reference Cincinnati teletype to Director and auxiliary offices, dated 4/20/68, and Cleveland teletype to Director and auxiliary offices, dated 4/21/68.

Investigation Concerning MILLIE MARIE HUFF and WILLIE CORNETT, Big Rock, Kentucky.

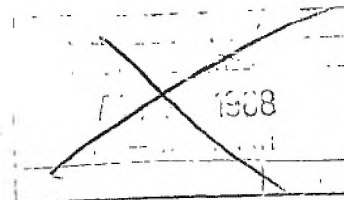
ADMINISTRATIVE:

No lead set forth to contact AUGGIE HUFF at Kingsport, Tennessee. Lead withheld until determination made as to the individual MANCEL VERNON PAYNE referred to in the 4/20/68, teletype.

On 4/21/68, WILLIE and VIVIAN CORNETT, Big Rock, Kentucky, advised that they are not at all familiar with

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- 2 - Birmingham
- 2 - Kansas City (88-9449)
- 2 - Memphis (44-1987)
- 2 - Cleveland
- 2 - Cincinnati
- 2 - Louisville

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Special Agent in Charge

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the subject and stated subject is not related to them.

CORNETT advised MILLIE MARIE PAYNE; nee HUFF is their niece but they are unaware of her location. They advised they are unaware of the location of MILLIE MARIE PAYNE'S mother, GOLDIE HUFF. CORNETT stated he knew of no relative on either side of them family having the last name RAY.

CORNETT advised PETE HUFF lives in Ohio at an unknown location and AUGGIE HUFF resides in Kingsport, Tennessee, exact location unknown.

The following relatives of MILLIE MARIE PAYNE were contacted as to possible relationship to JAMES EARL RAY or knowledge of RAY. All advised they are unfamiliar and not related:



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ARIE PAYNE).

FF  
RIE PAYNE.

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[REDACTED]

On 4/21/68, [REDACTED] Big Laurel, Kentucky, advised that they are the only RAY family in Laurel County and are not related nor are they familiar with the subject.

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC (44-565)  
ATTN: SA McCANN

DATE: 4/28/68

FROM : SA JOHN J. BRENNAN

SUBJECT: MURKIN  
JAMES EARL RAY, aka -  
FUGITIVE

Re Cleveland teletype to Cincinnati, dated ~~4/22~~ 4/21/68. (184)

Mrs. MARIE PAYNE, aka MILLIE MARIE HUFF, 9855 Maumee-Western Rd., Monclova, O., advised on 4/22/68, that she was formerly married to MANCEL VERNON PAYNE, who now resides in Springfield, O. She and PAYNE lived together in Toledo, O., for two years prior to their marriage in Toledo during 1961. She had one child with someone else prior to this marriage and had three children with PAYNE. All of the children are being cared for by Welfare authorities in Springfield, O. She thinks she is legally divorced from PAYNE but has never seen any legal papers in connection with the divorce.

While she was living with PAYNE on Airport Hiway, Toledo, during 1958-59, one ~~NAME~~ JAMES EARL HARRIS, white, male, about 29 or 30 years of age at the present time, visited Toledo, O., from somewhere in Kentucky. PAYNE and she became friendly with HARRIS and he visited their home on a few occasions. HARRIS had come to Toledo to visit his aunt, MABEL HARRIS, 214 10th St., 4th Floor.

Subject is unknown to her by name, photo, or descriptive data and is not related to her by blood or marriage. HARRIS does not resemble subject in any manner, however, she feels PAYNE is confused because HARRIS and subject have the same first and middle names.

She also added that she is generally known as MARIE, however, PAYNE refers to her as MILLIE although this is not a given name or a nickname. She can be reached at her mother's address, above, phone number 865-5276.

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Date: 5/1/68

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Via AIRTEL \_\_\_\_\_  
(Priority or Method of Mailing)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)  
FROM: SAC, CLEVELAND (44-565) (P)  
RE: JAMES EARL RAY, AKA -  
FUGITIVE  
MURKIN  
CIVIL RIGHTS; UFAC-ROBBERY  
(OO: MEMPHIS)

Re Cincinnati teletype to Director and auxiliary offices,  
4/20/68; Cleveland teletype to Director and auxiliary offices,  
4/21/68, and Louisville airtel to Director and auxiliary offices,  
4/25/68.

The following investigation was conducted at Monclova,  
Ohio:

Mrs. MARIE PAYNE, aka Millie Marie Huff, 9855  
Maumee-Western Road, Monclova, Ohio, advised on 4/22/68, that  
she was formerly married to MANCEL VERNON PAYNE, who now resides  
in Springfield, Ohio. She and PAYNE lived together in Toledo,  
Ohio, for two years prior to their marriage in Toledo during  
1961. She had one child with someone else prior to this  
marriage and had three children with PAYNE. All of the children  
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- 2 - Louisville (44-947)
- 2 - Memphis (44-1987)
- ② - Cleveland

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

Special Agent in Charge

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While she was living with PAYNE on Airport Hiway, Toledo, during 1958-59, one JAMES EARL HARRIS, white, male, about 29 or 30 years of age at the present time, visited Toledo, Ohio, from somewhere in Kentucky. PAYNE and she became friendly with HARRIS and he visited their home on a few occasions. HARRIS had come to Toledo to visit his aunt, MABEL HARRIS, 214 10th Street, 4th Floor.

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, CLEVELAND (44-565)

FROM : SA JOHN DAVIS ROBERSON

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 5/2/68

The following investigation was conducted by SAs MARTIN P. MC CANN, JR. and JOHN DAVIS ROBERSON on April 30, 1968 pursuant to Bureau instructions to contact hippy hangouts:

Captain EARL GORDON, Cleveland Heights Police Department, a recognized authority in this area, was contacted at which time he advised that there are no hippy hangouts in the Cleveland area that are comparable to the Haight-Ashbury section of San Francisco. He advised in Cleveland the persons tending in this direction are in the much younger age group, being mostly of college age and slightly older. He advised that they tend to frequent the areas close to Case Western Reserve University, and that in all instances, they are highly integrated groups. He stated that Adele's Bar at East 116th Street and Euclid Avenue has been such a hangout, but that it was recently burned and is not open for business at the present time.

Captain GORDON was apprised of the Bureau's interest in located RAY, and extra copies of IOs and wanted fliers were left with him. He stated that he would be alert for any information of interest to this office, and would instruct all of his officers and detectives concerning this matter. Captain GORDON could not suggest any other particular places that could be considered hippy hangouts except to state that they tend to congregate in areas near the university.

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Detective GEORGE WEBSTER of the University Circle Police Department was contacted on the same date and he substantiated the information already furnished by Captain GORDON, namely, that there are no hippy hangouts in the Cleveland area in RAY's age bracket, and that they are almost exclusively integrated and in the college and slightly older age group. He stated that RAY would stand out in this group and would not receive any support or sympathy. However, he volunteered to point out those areas that might be considered hippy hangouts.

Detective WEBSTER accompanied the Special Agents and indicated that the first block north of Euclid Avenue on East 116th Street, particularly the first red brick apartment building on the left, were inhabited by some hippies. He stated that he did not mean to imply that this block was populated solely by hippies, and in fact they were only present in a few of the apartments. He stated that the same thing was true on East 118th Street in the first block north of Euclid Avenue, and further, that this neighborhood might be described as a middle class Negro neighborhood.

WEBSTER indicated that apartment buildings 1715 and 1716 East 115th Street, north of Euclid, had a few hippies residing in them, and that possibly 1728 and 1730 East 115th Street, might have some as they are rooming houses. He advised that Hessler off of Ford Avenue, has many persons residing in the apartments that might be considered hippies, and that these are both Negro and white. Hessler is one block in length.

Detective WEBSTER pointed out a residence referred to as University House located at the corner of Euclid and Cornell, which he said is inhabited by a weird collection of everything including Black Nationalists.

He stated that University House is not connected with the university. He pointed out a

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co-op rooming house at 2021 Cornell which he stated is connected with the university, but he doubted that anyone other than a student could obtain residence there.

He also advised that there were some persons who might be considered hippies living along Overlook Drive between Kenilworth and Edgehill, Cleveland Heights.

Detective WEBSTER also observed that many of these persons, who by his standards would be called hippies, are actually merely young persons who like to be extreme in their behavior and attire, and many of them are affiliated with the Well and the Coffee House, which are church-supported institutions to "bring church in touch with the people". He indicated that in his opinion, most of the people who frequent these places are a little weird and kooky.

With the above information SAs MARTIN P. MC CANN, JR. and JOHN DAVIS ROBERSON conducted spot inquiries in the vicinity of East 115th Street, East 116th Street, and East 118th Street, and Hessler, exhibiting photographs of subject RAY to the residents, and in practically all instances, the persons contacted, although unfriendly to police officers, stated that they have never seen RAY, but would notify the authorities if anything came to their attention. It was also observed that the persons in this area were much younger than RAY.

In view of the above, it does not appear that any further effort should be expended in this section. A large number of wanted fliers and IOs were left with Detective WEBSTER for distribution among the detectives and patrolmen of the University Circle Police Department.

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Indices: ☐ Negative ☐ See below

Subject's name and aliases <b>MURKIN</b>		Character of case <b>44-565</b>	
		Complainant [REDACTED]	
		Complaint received <input type="checkbox"/> Personal <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Telephonic Date <b>4-24-68</b> Time <b>4:00 PM</b>	
Address of subject		Complainant's address and telephone number <b>19500 Euclid Ave. Apt #110C CV (481-5813)</b>	

Subject's Description	Race <b>W</b>	Sex <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female	Height <b>5'10"</b>	Hair <b>dark</b>	Build	Birth date and Birthplace
	Age <b>33</b>		Weight <b>180</b>	Eyes	Complexion	
Scars, marks or other data <b>wore alligator shoes, nervous, dark suit &amp; tie</b>						

Facts of complaint  
 Compl., a receptionist at St. Clair Clinic, 4237 St. Clair Ave., CV (431-8808), stated at 3:00 PM, 4-24-68, male stating name was [REDACTED] 2196 W. 44<sup>th</sup>, CV, came to see a doctor (name withheld) to lose weight. Male stated he was Security Guard for Giant Tigers. Diagnosis disclosed hypertension.  
 Compl. stated the male was look alike of photo in new issue of Life magazine.  
 Male drove a red Impala bearing Ohio lic. NG-200. — <sup>acts</sup> <sup>N. W. 44<sup>th</sup> St.</sup> <sup>Barren</sup> <sup>68081/Don</sup> 2196 W 44<sup>th</sup> St  
 Male stated when asked, he had been at

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the Clinic June 10, 1967 for pre-marital  
blood exam. Was to be married to a

[REDACTED]  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Father. Jack Hawkins

Harold A. Situlka

Receives

diogilde -

hypertension -  
reduces water.



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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, CLEVELAND (44-565)

DATE: 4/30/68

FROM : SA JOHN J. SULLIVAN

SUBJECT: MURKIN  
CR

[REDACTED], who is familiar with most of the Hippie element and their hangouts in Cleveland, was contacted relative to locations where these Hippies and their followers live, congregate and generally get together. He advised on 4/30/68 that at the present time there are no "crash pads" where Hippies live. He advised that the one bar where they got together, Adeles, located in the University Circle area on Euclid Ave. was burned out last night. Source advised that several Hippie hangouts and pads in the University Circle area have been burned out lately and the suspicion is that the young Italians from Mayfield Hill are responsible for the arsons due to their dislike for the Hippies.

[REDACTED] advised that the Hippies gather daily at the Public Square now that the weather is warmer. They also congregate on Sunday afternoons at the Art Museum and the Lagoons. Other than these locations there are no real Hippie hangouts at this time.

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, Cleveland

DATE: April 29, 1968

*JRM* FROM : 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: 260.

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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TELETYPE

URGENT

TO: DIRECTOR (44-38861); BOSTON AND DALLAS  
FROM: RICHMOND (44-657)

MURKIN

RE: SUSPECT FRANK G. NILES

RE CV TELETYPE TO BUREAU AND RICHMOND, NO CC BOSTON OR MEMPHIS.  
RICHMOND FILES CONTAIN NO REFERENCE TO FRANK G. NILES. RECORD  
ON FRANK H. NILES DISCLOSED IN APRIL, SIXTYSEVEN, HE FURNISHED HIS  
FORMER LANDLADY IN VERMILION, OHIO, HIS NEW ADDRESS OF BOX ONE ONE  
SEVEN, ELLSWORTH FALLS, MAINE. ON DECEMBER TWENTYTWO LAST, COP  
ROBERT GILLES, AVON LAKE, OHIO, PD, INFORMED HE HAD RECEIVED A  
CHRISTMAS CARD FROM FRANK H. NILES WITH A RETURN ADDRESS OF P. O.  
BOX TWO TWO ZERO SEVEN ONE, DALLAS, TEXAS. RICHMOND HAS NO ADDITION-  
AL INFO AS TO NILES' CURRENT WHEREABOUTS.

BOSTON NOTE ELLSWORTH FALLS, MAINE IS SAME LOCATION OF FRANK H.  
SMITH, FORMER MEMBER OF AMERICAN NAZI PARTY (ANP) WHO WAS RECENTLY  
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1 - Richmond (Teletype Unit)

1 - Memphis (By Mail) (44-1987)  
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INVOLVED IN GUN BATTLE WITH ANP MEMBER, CHRIS VIDNJEVICH.  
RICHMOND FILES SHOW NILES EXPELLED FROM ANP FOR HEAVY DRINKING AND  
HAS NOT BEEN IN RICHMOND TERRITORY SINCE FALL OF SIXTYSIX.

FOR INFO OF BOSTON, SHERIFF CHARLES ROSS, STARK COUNTY, CANTON,  
OHIO, IN MARCH OF SIXTYFOUR, HAD INFORMED THAT FRANK G. NILES  
INQUIRED AS TO WHERE HE COULD OBTAIN SNIPER'S RIFLE. NILES ALLEGED-  
LY COMMENTED HE WOULD KILL DR. KING IF HE THOUGHT IT WOULD PREVENT  
INTEGRATION. IT IS BELIEVED THIS FRANK G. NILES IS IDENTICAL WITH  
FRANK H. NILES, FORMER ANP MEMBER.

BOSTON AND DALLAS - ENDEAVOR TO ASCERTAIN CURRENT WHEREABOUTS  
OF NILES AND ASCERTAIN ACTIVITIES DURING PAST FEW MONTHS TO SEE  
IF HE COULD BE CO-CONSPIRATOR OF INSTANT CASE.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

MAIL COPIES TO MEMPHIS AND CLEVELAND.

END.

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC

DATE: 5-1-68

FROM : SA JAMES E. GILLEY

☐ CI ☐ SI ☐ R (Prob)

SUBJECT: CV 764 C

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC

DATE: 5-1-68

FROM : SA JAMES E. GILLEY

☐ CI ☐ SI ☐ R (Prob)

SUBJECT: GEORGE E. KASPER

☐ PCI ☐ PSI ☐ R

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, CLEVELAND (44-565)

FROM : SA MARTIN P. MC CANN, JR.

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 5/3/68

Re Bureau teletype to Cleveland, 4/26/68.

As previously set forth by teletype to Bureau and Richmond on April 26, 1968, [REDACTED] 3371 Milverton Road, Shaker Heights, Ohio, telephone [REDACTED] had advised that concerning the information he had furnished to the Cleveland FBI Office on May 26, 1961, he was unable to recall any specific information concerning this unknown individual.

[REDACTED] stated during this period of time in 1961, he frequented the Carnegie Hotel Bar on practically a daily basis. He advised he became acquainted with this white male, age at that time about mid-30's, and that this individual could best be described by him as a loner and pessimist.

[REDACTED] stated there were not many white males who frequented this bar inasmuch as it was mainly a Negro bar. He advised he never learned the name of this individual but thought he might possibly be connected with a transmission company located across the street from the Carnegie Bar.

[REDACTED] stated the only individual he knows who might recall this individual was a colored barmaid by the name of PAM who worked at the Carnegie Hotel.

On May 1, 1968, [REDACTED] part owner along with his brother, [REDACTED] of the Carnegie Hotel and Bar, advised he had been the owner for approximately the last two years. He stated there were no old-time employees located in the Carnegie Hotel and Bar, and that PAM was a barmaid who recently left the Carnegie Hotel and was now believed to be employed at the 79th Cafe, located on East 79th Street and Kinsman, Cleveland, Ohio.

On May 1, 1968, PAM was located at the 79th Cafe, East 79th Street and Kinsman, and she advised her true name is [REDACTED] home telephone [REDACTED] employment telephone number at the 79th Cafe, DI 1-6843.



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