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NEW YORK CON'T

Ivory Cleaners  
Route 59  
Nyack, New York  
Serial #32492

Jim Dandy Cleaners  
33 Glen Cove Avenue  
Glen Cove, New York  
Serial #31283

K and G Cleaning Corporation  
Plainview Road  
Plainview, New York  
Serial #31305

Lil-Joy Cleaners  
Jericho Turnpike  
Floral Park  
Long Island, New York  
Serial #33656

Lucas French Cleaners  
205-12 Hollis Avenue  
Hollis, Long Island  
New York  
Serial #34381

Island Laundries Corporation  
4812 25th Avenue  
Long Island, New York  
Serial #R32062

Johnny on the Spot  
Craft and Spackenhill Road  
Poughkeepsie, New York  
Serial #R33539; R31579

LBP Cleaning Corporation  
8002 Flatbush Avenue  
Brooklyn, New York  
(Snow White Cleaners)  
Serial #33914

Loronet Cleaners  
581 Merrick Road  
Lynbrook, Long Island, N.Y.  
Serial #33872

Metropolitan Dry Cleaners  
127-19-101 Street  
Richmond Hills, New York  
Serial #34199

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Mr. M Cleaners  
7-34 154th St.  
White Stone  
Queens, New York  
Serial #33922

Nobility Cleaners and Tailors  
2950 Hempstead Turnpike  
Levittown, Long Island, New York  
Serial #33918

Octagon Laundry, Incorporated  
2120 Menahan St.  
Brooklyn, New York  
Serial #32530; 32579; 32561

Oswego County Cleaners, Incorp.  
135 East Bridge St.  
Oswego, New York  
Serial #33273

Francine Drive-In Cleaners  
225 Broadway  
New York, New York  
Serial #31780

National Cleaners  
425 East Third St.  
Mt. Vernon, New York  
Serial #32649

Oceanside Laundry  
2525 Long Beach Road  
Oceanside, New York  
Serial #32404; 32403

One-Hour Martinizing  
3100 Third Avenue  
Bronx, New York  
Serial #33824

Pamper Cleaners  
248 North Broadway  
Hicksville, New York  
Serial #32696

Pantex Manufacturing Corp.  
7605 Main St.  
Kew Gardens Hill  
New York  
Serial #31462

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Peter Pan Cleaners  
Valley Stream, New York  
Serial #32863

Pride Cleaners  
Washington St.  
Peekskill, New York  
Serial #R33498

Robison and Smith, Incorp.  
335 North Main St.  
Gloversville, New York  
Serial #32552; 32583

S and J Enterprises, Incorp.  
c/o Bronx Pressing Machine Company  
1101 East Tremont  
Bronx, New York  
Serial #33785

Speedy Laundry and Cleaners  
Court St.  
Rochester, New York  
Serial #31458; 31473

Phil Cleaners  
Manilus, New York  
Serial #31475

Reds Trucking  
Iselin St.  
Yonkers, New York  
Serial #33049

Ed Rubin Associates, Incorp.  
101 23 44th Avenue  
Corona, Long Island,  
New York  
Serial #32639

Shellbank Cleaners  
2950 Avenue X  
Brooklyn, New York  
Serial #32642

Staub Cleaners  
951 Main St.  
East Rochester, New York  
Serial #31586

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Tanglewood Cleaners  
266 Central Ave.  
Yonkers, New York  
Serial #33135

Tres-bon French Cleaners  
Franklin Square  
Long Island, New York  
Serial #31272;

Triple S Cleaners  
Cobb Spring Road  
Syosset, Long Island,  
New York  
Serial #31380

Thermo-Lite Tube and Cleaner  
1642 Flatbush  
Brooklyn, New York  
Serial #33326

Tres-bon Drive-In Cleaners  
Albertson  
Long Island, New York  
Serial #31916

Plain and Fancy Cleaners  
67-17 Lefferts Blvd.  
Richmond Hill  
New York  
Serial #32619

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OHIO

Acme Laundry  
454 East Main Street  
Columbus, Ohio  
SR 31911  
SR 31983

Akron City Laundry  
637 South Main Street  
Akron, Ohio  
SR 32670  
SR 32678  
SR 32656  
SR 32654

B & B Cleaners  
(Rear) 161 Truman Street  
Columbus, Ohio  
SR 32481

BMS Laundry Machinery Company  
10516 Morrison Avenue  
Cleveland, Ohio  
SR 31770  
SR 31771

Blue Beacon Laundromat  
882 West Broad Street  
Columbus, Ohio  
SR 31015

Checker Cleaners  
1570 East 105 Street  
Cleveland, Ohio  
SR 32179

Cleveland Laundry  
2934 Carnegie Avenue  
Cleveland, Ohio  
SR 30861  
SR 30759

Crystal Laundry  
4141 Montgomery Road  
Norwood, Cincinnati  
SR 31191

Dale Laundry  
4409 Mahoney Avenue  
Youngstown  
SR 32655

Laundromatic  
8315 Euclid  
Cleveland  
SR 32871  
SR 32104  
SR 31072

Model Laundry  
181 Thorne Avenue  
Wilmington  
SR 33325

Paul's Laundromatic  
3167 East Main Street  
Columbus  
SR 32462

Perrys Valet  
127 West 7 Street  
Cincinnati  
SR 31021

Progressive Laundry  
1613 Tacoma Street  
Dayton  
SR 32379

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Progressive Cleaners  
1613 Tacome Street  
Dayton  
SR 32318  
SR 30528  
SR 30526

CHARLES ROSS Cleaners  
3864 East Broad Street  
Columbus  
SR 31299

Star Cleaners of Ohio  
3180 Bellview  
Toledo  
SR 33088  
SR 33035

Swan Cleaners  
804 Mt. Vernon Avenue  
Columbus  
SR 31547

Swiss Cleaners  
8920 Euclid Avenue  
Cleveland  
SR 32486  
SR 30868  
SR 30900  
SR 30936  
SR 30969  
SR 31038  
SR 30759

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OKLAHOMA

Clinton Steam Laundry  
Clinton, Oklahoma  
SN33294

Imperial Cleaners  
2185 So. Sheridan  
Tulsa, Oklahoma  
SN 34356

Stillwater Laundry  
Stillwater, Oklahoma  
SNR-33145

Superior Laundry  
4400 So. Walker  
Oklahoma City  
SN33861

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PENNSYLVANIA

A&C Cleaners  
62 Street & Hazel Avenue  
Philadelphia  
SR 32740

Barclay Laundry  
253 South 10 Street  
Philadelphia  
SR 32052

Benjamin Brothers Rigging Company SR 33832  
323 North American Street  
Philadelphia  
SR 33593  
SR 32073

Benson Equipment Corporation  
Post Office Box 11728  
Pittsburgh  
SR 33605

Best Equipment Company  
2243 Brynmawr Avenue  
Philadelphia  
SR 33908

Betty Brite Cleaners  
5001 Wynnfield Avenue  
Philadelphia  
SR 33783

B. Cross Company  
State & Jackson Streets  
Media  
SR 33766

Farrst Laundry  
1225 Columbia  
Philadelphia  
SR 32160  
SR 31893  
SR 31609

Friends Cleaners  
68&Media Streets  
Philadelphia

Ideal Cleaners  
783 Broad Street  
Chambersburg  
SR 32485

Jay Company  
Philadelphia  
SR 32293

New Idea Laundry Company  
Woodland & Olive Streets  
Coatsville  
SR 32452  
SR 32451

Norn's & Speede Inc.  
Washington & Noble Streets  
North Norristown  
SR 32092

Park & Clean Laundry  
6351 Roosevelt Blvd.  
Philadelphia  
SR 32553



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PENNSYLVANIA Continued

Pierce Shirt Laundry  
1921 Point Breeze Avenue  
Philadelphia  
SR 33626  
SR 33625  
SR 32681

Saritas Cleaners  
519 Davisville Road  
Willow Grove  
SR 33536

Service Cleaners  
704 East Market Street  
West Chester  
SR 31787

Stadhan Supply Company  
Philadelphia  
SR 31152

State Cleaners and Dyers  
5431 Vine Street  
Philadelphia  
SR 32072

Steel's Hanover Laundry Inc.  
110 High Street  
Hanover  
SR 31348

Tribune Laundry  
23 & Clearfield Streets  
Philadelphia  
SR 31919

Van Balen Laundry  
1403 Fifth Avenue  
Coraopolis  
SR 33011

Wharton's Inc.  
552 Lancaster Avenue  
Haverford  
SR 33958

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RHODE ISLAND

Commodore Cleaners  
Front St.  
Woonsocket, R.I.  
SN32924

Norton Supply Co.  
11 LaFayette St.  
Providence, R.I.  
SN31997

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SOUTH DAKOTA

Royal Cleaners & Ldy.  
204 Walnut St.  
Yankton, S.D.  
SN32717

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TEXAS

Athens Laundry & Cleaners ✓  
Athens  
SR 31751 *Henderson County*

Blanton Laundry  
1313 Proctor Street  
Port Arthur  
SR 31320

Blue Ribbon Laundry ✓  
3824 Cedar Springs  
Dallas  
SR 33707

Cleco Corporation ✓  
Hickory at Second Avenue  
Dallas  
SR 31257

Driskill Laundry  
411 East 19 Street  
Austin  
SR 31258  
SR 31251

Elite Laundry & Cleaners  
412 South Oregon Street  
El Paso  
SR R32101

Fishburn Laundry & Cleaners ✓  
3200 Ross  
Dallas  
SR R32059  
SR R32053  
SR 30957

W. B. Fishburn Inc. ✓  
1200 Main Street  
Fort Worth  
SR 30858

Model Laundry  
Brownsville  
SR 31840

Monarch Laundry  
2815 South Shepard  
Houston  
SR 31553  
SR 31555

Odessa Laundry  
1107 West 10  
Odessa  
SR R32102

Quality Steam Laundry ✓  
Lubbock  
SR R32165

Sunshine Laundry & Cleaners  
214 East Hutchinson  
San Marcus  
SR 33476  
SR 31768

Vogue Cleaners  
207 East Avenue C  
Killeen  
SR 33621

White Star Laundry ✓  
4535 Cole  
Dallas  
SR R33371  
SR R32113  
SR R32106

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TEXAS Continued

White Star Laundry  
530 San Pedro  
San Antonio  
SR R31817  
SR R31816

C. W. Wilkins Laundry & Cleaners  
Comroe  
SR 31694

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VERMONT

Beardsley  
Route 7  
Burlington, Vermont  
SN34084

Palmer Bros. Laundry  
72-78 Eastern Ave.  
St. Johnsbury, Vermont  
SN31846  
SN32701

Williams Laundry  
7 Maple St.  
Windsor, Vermont  
SN31337

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WEST VIRGINIA

Rockwell Laundry & Cleaners  
126 So. Raleigh St.  
Martinsburg, W. Va.  
SN33873

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WYOMING

Casper Laundry  
330 N. Durbin  
Casper, Wyoming  
SN R33373



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ALL OFFICES PLEASE NOTE: Bureau teletype to All Continental Offices, 4/9/68, stated that all laundries should be contacted in an effort to identify the tape on the shorts and tee-shirt believed to have been abandoned by UNSUB. The Textile Marking Machine Company has advised that the above are the only machines known by that company to be in the above listed states which would be capable of producing the laundry mark on the garments. This company advised that the tapes on the garments are their tapes exclusively and that there is no other marking machine in the world which could have produced the tapes.

Further note, the following are names and addresses with telephone numbers of sales representatives of Textile Marking Machine Company covering the above territories:

DICK BRISTOW  
3462 N.W. 13th Ave.  
Gainesville, Fla.  
Telephone FR2-1290  
Covering Florida, Alabama, Georgia, South Carolina  
and Southern Mississippi.

JOE COMBS  
5232 Devonshire  
Oxon Hill, Maryland  
Telephone 248-6127  
Covering Maryland, Delaware, Pennsylvania,  
W. Virginia, Virginia, North Carolina, Eastern  
Tennessee and Eastern Kentucky.

FRED WEBER  
33 Skylark Lane  
Stony Brook, L.I., N.Y.  
Telephone 751-2135  
Covering Metropolitan New York City, New Jersey,  
Connecticut, Rhode Island, Massachusetts, Maine,  
New Hampshire, and Vermont.

Upstate New York inquiries should be referred to  
Textile Marking Machine Co., Syracuse, N.Y., telephone  
446-8110.

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JACK CODY  
2929 Chaucer Drive  
Sherwood Village  
North Canton, Ohio  
Telephone 492-5497  
Covering Michigan, Indiana, and Ohio.

PETE WUKOVICH  
756 Hawthorne Avenue  
Elmhurst, Illinois  
Telephone BR9-6141  
Covering Illinois, Eastern Iowa, Minnesota, and Wisconsin.

AL DAVIS  
1844 East 48th Street  
Kansas City, Missouri  
Telephone WA 41312  
Covering North Dakota, South Dakota, Nebraska, Western Iowa, Missouri, Kansas, Oklahoma, Texas, Arkansas, Louisiana, Northern Mississippi, Western Tennessee and Western Kentucky.

FRED RAUPAK  
18409 Hiawatha  
Northridge, California  
Telephone EM3-8953  
Covering California, Nevada, Utah, Arizona, New Mexico, Colorado, Wyoming, Montana, Idaho, Oregon and Washington.

ALL OFFICES should index names of these locations in their territories for future use in other type cases.

The Bureau has been requested to supply to all of the offices covering the above states copies of color photographs of the tapes attached to the garments recovered. The Bureau has advised that this is being done.

THE ABOVE LIST IS ALPHABETICAL BY STATES AND EACH OFFICE IS RESPONSIBLE FOR DETERMINING THE CONTACTS IN ITS OWN AREA. This has been done in the interest of saving time since there are approximately 3,000 machine locations to be accounted for.

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ALL OFFICES

It is suggested in contacts with above establishments the actual operators of Thermo-Seal machines rather than supervisory personnel be contacted. It is further suggested, on the basis of consultation with Textile Marking Machine Company personnel that the letter "O" in instant tape may have been used rather than a dash for first character. If the code is recognizable by insertion of a dash instead of letter "O", or if the code is recognizable as it appears on instant tape, obtain sample of tape and immediately submit to FBI Laboratory for examination.

STATE 04

DEFERRED 4-9-68

TO DIRECTOR

FROM LEGAT MEXICO CITY NO 159

CLAUDE CHESTER MC LAREN, JR. INFORMATION CONCERNING (CIVIL RIGHTS SECTION.)

SUBJECT WHITE MALE AMERICAN, BORN SEPTEMBER ONE TWO, ONE NINE THREE SIX, TEXAS, BEARER OF US PASSPORT Z-ONE FIVE FIVE FOUR EIGHT NINE, ARRIVED MEXICO CITY FROM TEGUCIGALPA, HONDURAS, ON APRIL EIGHT LAST, ENROUTE TO HOUSTON, TEXAS. POLICE AT AIRPORT NOTED CLOSE RESEMBLANCE TO SKETCHES PREPARED BY LOCAL POLICE ARTIST OF UNSUB IN SLAYING OF REV. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., AT MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE, APRIL FOUR LAST. POLICE QUESTIONED SUBJECT AND PHOTOGRAPHED HIM AFTER WHICH HE DEPARTED ON PAN AMERICAN FLIGHT FIVE ZERO TWO FOR HOUSTON WITH ARRIVAL SCHEDULED SHORTLY BEFORE MIDNIGHT, APRIL EIGHT LAST.

PLANE PILOT, CAPTAIN WHITE, ADVISED HOUSTON AGENTS HE BELIEVED SUBJECT WAS PREVENTED FROM BOARDING FLIGHT BY MEXICAN POLICE. WHITE STATED APRIL NINE INSTANT, HOWEVER, THIS WAS ASSUMPTION ON HIS PART SINCE FLIGHT NOT DELAYED BY QUESTIONING OF SUBJECT.

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SUBJECT GAVE US ADDRESS AS FIVE FOUR ZERO FIVE WICHITA STREET, FORT WORTH, TEXAS, AND EMPLOYMENT AS C.A. MAQUINARIAS, MARACAIBO, VENEZUELA. PILOT STATED SUBJECT WAS TICKETED ON FLIGHT FROM NEW ORLEANS TO HONDURAS ON MARCH THREE ZERO LAST AND PASSPORT INDICATES ENTRY AT TEGUCIGALPA THAT DATE.

AVAILABLE INFORMATION INDICATES ONLY BASIS FOR CONSIDERATION AS SUSPECT BY MEXICAN POLICE IS LIKENESS TO POLICE SKETCH AND "VERY NERVOUS MANNER" DESCRIBED BY POLICE DURING SUBJECT'S WAIT AT AIRPORT.

FURNISHED FOR COMPLETION OF BUREAU FILES SINCE HOUSTON WAS ALERTED DIRECTLY AND IN EVENT SUBJECT'S ACTIVITIES MAY BE OF INTEREST IN CURRENT INVESTIGATION CONCERNING KING ASSASSINATION. NO FURTHER ACTION BEING TAKEN AT MEXICO CITY, UACB.

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Date: April 12, 1968

Transmit the following in \_\_\_\_\_  
(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTEL \_\_\_\_\_  
(Priority)TO: SAC's, Dallas (Enclosures - 2)  
Houston (Enclosures - 2)

✓ FROM: Director, FBI

MURKIN

RE: CLAUDE CHESTER MC LAREN, JR.

Attached for Dallas and Houston are two copies each of cablegram from Legat, Mexico City dated 4/9/68. One copy enclosed for Memphis.

Legat, Mexico City had been instructed to obtain photographs of McLaren which Memphis and Birmingham will exhibit to witnesses.

If not already done, Houston, or Dallas if McLaren is now in Dallas territory, should conduct investigation to establish his identity and whereabouts during pertinent period March 29 to April 4, 1968.

Under no circumstances should anyone be told this investigation is in connection with captioned matter.

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

*cc - Houston  
Specimen - Houston  
advises telephonically 4/15  
that MC LAREN was not  
contacted at Houston s/b  
beamed at Ft. Worth*

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Per \_\_\_\_\_

*Lead called to  
A. J. Brown, Jr.  
with RA so  
handle*

*Holloway*

Routing Slip  
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(Copies to Offices Checked)

TO: SAC,

☐ Albany  
☐ Albuquerque  
☐ Anchorage  
☐ Atlanta  
☐ Baltimore  
☐ Birmingham  
☐ Boston  
☐ Buffalo  
☐ Butte  
☐ Charlotte  
☐ Chicago  
☐ Cincinnati  
☐ Cleveland  
☐ Columbia  
☒ Dallas  
☐ Denver  
☐ Detroit  
☐ El Paso  
☐ Honolulu

☐ Houston  
☐ Indianapolis  
☐ Jackson  
☐ Jacksonville  
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☐ Little Rock  
☐ Los Angeles  
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☐ Mobile  
☐ Newark  
☐ New Haven  
☐ New Orleans  
☐ New York City

☐ Norfolk  
☐ Oklahoma City  
☐ Omaha  
☐ Philadelphia  
☐ Phoenix  
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☐ Richmond  
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☐ Paris  
☐ Rome  
☐ Santo Domingo  
☐ Tokyo

Date 4-11-68

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 photographs of artist conception of unknown subject in this case as described by witnesses in Birmingham and Memphis respectively.

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*Holcomb*

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Date: 4/12/68

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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL  
(Priority or Method of Mailing)

TO: SAC, ALBANY  
FROM: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987) P  
RE: MURKIN

In an effort to assist in handling administratively the reams of material being submitted to Memphis Division as office of origin, it is requested all offices in submission of messages use caption which will aid in handling paper. For example, should your office have investigation to report in connection with a specific suspect it would aid if, before entering into the body of text, you would utilize sub-heading after reference, such as "SUSPECT - JOHN ALLEN DOE," or another appropriate caption might be "LAUNDRY CHECKS."

Suitable sub-headings on communications will greatly facilitate the handling of material. Please comply,

- 2 ALBANY (AM)
- 2 ALL CONTINENTAL OFFICES (AM)
- 1 MEMPHIS

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*Holloman*

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



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Date: 4/15/68

PLAINTEXT

Transmit the following in \_\_\_\_\_  
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(Priority)

TO: SAC NEW ORLEANS  
FROM: SAC DALLAS (44-2649)

MURKIN

RE SUSPECT ERIC STARVO GALT

BY TELETYPE TODAY EL PASO ADVISED THAT STAYNER DUGAN, ONE NINE ZERO ZERO SPARKS, MIDLAND, TEXAS, STATED THIS DATE HE HAS RELATIVES BY NAME OF GALT. HE SAID SOME OF THOSE RELATIVES SPELL NAME AS GAULT OR GAUT. HE SAID HIS FATHER, GLENN E. DUGAN, ONE TWO FOUR SEVEN VINE, ABILENE, TEXAS, HAS HOBBY OF GENEALOGY AND IF THERE IS A ERIC STARVO GALT ANYWHERE IN FAMILY, HE WOULD KNOW IT. DUGAN SAID HIS AUNT FROM IOWA, FERN TRUCKENMILLER, IS VISITING HIS FATHER IN ABILENE AND ALSO POSSESSES INFO RE GALT FAMILY TREE.

DALLAS HAS DETERMINED DUGAN AND TRUCKENMILLER ARE ON EXTENDED VACATION. TODAY THEY CAN BE LOCATED AT MONTELEONE MOTEL, TWO ONE FOUR RUE ROYAL OR VIEUX CARRE MOTOR LODGE, NINE TWO ZERO N. RAMPART, NEW ORLEANS. THEY ARE BELIEVED DEPARTING NEW ORLEANS A.M. APRIL SIXTEEN NEXT.

1 - El Paso (AM)  
1 - Memphis (44-1987) (AM)  
1 - Dallas  
WBN/atd

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NEW ORLEANS. INTERVIEW DUGAN AND TRUCKENMILLER  
RE ERIC STARVO GALT.

MEMPHIS AND EL PASO ADVISED AIRMAIL. (P)

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

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, DALLAS

DATE: 4-13-68

FROM : SPC JOHNNY D. HARRIS

SUBJECT: MURKIN

On instant date Lawrence Hurren, tel. # TA4-3252, Dallas, Texas, telephonically contacted this office stating that he had stopped by the COTTON BOWLING ~~XXXXX~~ PALACE, LEMON AND INWOOD, for a cup of coffee and noticed the security guard looking like sketch that was in THE DALLAS TIMES HERALD newspaper April 12, 1968,

Mr. Hurren stated that he found out that the guard name unknown to him, had only been working at the bowling alley for three days.

SAC Shanklin advised 4-13-68.

2-DALLAS  
JDH



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

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713PM URGENT 4/14/68 GJM  
TO ALL CONTINENTAL OFFICES  
FROM DIRECTOR 44-38861 3P

ERIC STARVO GALT, THE PRINCIPAL SUSPECT, HAS BEEN REPORTED AS HAVING ATTENDED DANCING SCHOOLS IN BIRMINGHAM, NEW ORLEANS AND CALIFORNIA. ALL OFFICES SHOULD IMMEDIATELY CHECK ALL DANCING SCHOOLS IN YOUR TERRITORIES FOR ANY RECORD OF PRIOR ATTENDANCE AT ANY SUCH SCHOOLS BY GALT AND RUN OUT ANY LEADS DEVELOPED. GALT REPORTEDLY SIGNED UP FOR A ONE YEAR DANCING COURSE IN NEW ORLEANS IN NINETEEN SIXTYFOUR; TOOK DANCING LESSONS FOR SEVERAL WEEKS IN BIRMINGHAM BEGINNING IN SEPTEMBER NINETEEN SIXTYSEVEN; AND TOOK A FOUR HUNDRED NINETYNINE DOLLAR DANCE COURSE FROM DECEMBER NINETEEN SIXTYSEVEN TO FEBRUARY NINETEEN SIXTYEIGHT AT LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA.

ONE DANCE INSTRUCTOR HAS STAT THAT GALT IS "CRAZY"  
ABOUT DANCING BUT A POOR DANCER AND DIFFICULT TO TEACH  
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Invoked to  
all RAs on AM  
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BECAUSE HE DOES NOT REMEMBER INSTRUCTIONS. HE WAS DESCRIBED AS AN INTROVERT WHO VOLUNTEERS NO INFORMATION AND REPLIES WITH YES OR NO ANSWERS WHEN ASKED; DID NOT MINGLE WITH OTHER STUDENTS AND MADE NO EFFORTS TO MAKE FRIENDS OR CONVERSE WITH ANYONE.

ANOTHER DANCE INSTRUCTOR STATED GALT IS A GOOD DANCER, DISPLAYED SLIGHT SOUTHERN ACCENT, RURAL CHARACTERISTICS OF LANGUAGE AND DICTION, TEETH STRAIGHT AND CLEAN, FINGERNAILS CLEAN AND NEATLY TRIMMED,; WORE GOLD RING WITH DARK STONE; ALWAYS NEATLY DRESSED WITH SUIT AND SHINY SLIP ON TYPE BLACK ALLIGATOR SHOES WITH THIN SOLES, BLACK HOSE AND WORE TIE TACK AND CUFF LINKS. SMOKED FILTER CIGARETTES AND HAD NERVOUS HABIT OF OCCASIONALLY PULLING AT EAR LOBE. OWNER OF STUDIO STATES GALT SPOKE OF ALABAMA, SAID HE WAS A MERCHANT SEAMAN; SPOKE OF BEING IN MEXICO BUT DID NOT SPEAK SPANISH AND SPOKE ENGLISH BADLY; WAS SOCIALLY INEPT, AN INTROVERT AND A POOR DANCER BECAUSE HE WOULD NOT LOOSEN UP. SMILED RARELY AND WHEN HE DID IT WAS A NERVOUS CROOKED SMILE; PAID CASH FOR LESSONS TAKING A WAD OF BILLS FROM POCKET.

ERIC STARVO GALT DESCRIBED AS FIVE FEET ELEVEN INCHES, ONE HUNDRED SEVENTYFIVE POUNDS, BLUE EYES, BROWN HAIR, BORN JULY TWENTY THIRTYONE, PLACE NOT GIVEN.

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GALT MAY HAVE USED THE NAME HARVEY LOWMYER OR JOHN WILLARD OR ANY VARIATION OF THESE TWO NAMES OR ANY OTHER NAME. IN CONNECTION WITH ANY INQUIRIES, NO INDICATION SHOULD BE GIVEN INQUIRIES ARE IN CONNECTION WITH CAPTIONED CASE.

UNSUB ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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9:27AM 4-15-68 URGENT CEJ

TO DALLAS

FROM EL PASO (157-186) (P) 1 PAGE

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STAYNER DUGAN, ONE NINE ZERO ZERO SPARKS, MIDLAND, TEXAS, STATED THIS DATE HE HAS RELATIVES BY NAME OF GALT. HE SAID SOME OF THOSE RELATIVES SPELL NAME AS GAULT OR GAUT. HE SAID HIS FATHER, GLENN E. DUGAN, ONE TWO FOUR SEVEN VINE, ABILENE, TEXAS, HAS HOBBY OF GENEALOGY AND IF THERE IS A ERIC STARVO GALT ANYWHERE IN FAMILY, HE WOULD KNOW IT. DUGAN SAID HIS AUNT FROM IOWA, FERN TRUCKENMILLER, IS VISITING HIS FATHER IN ABILENE AND ALSO POSSESSES INFO RE GALT FAMILY TREE.

DALLAS INTERVIEW GLENN DUGAN AND FERN TRUCKENMILLER RE ERIC STARVO GALT. 44-2649-39, 67

MEMPHIS ADVISED AIR MAIL.

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at New Orleans

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FBI NEW ORLS

553PM URGENT 4-15-68 CDC

TO DALLAS 44-2649

FROM NEW ORLEANS 157-10673

MURKIN.

RE SUSPECT ERIC STARVO GALT.

RE DALLAS TELETYPE TO NEW ORLEANS THIS DATE. INVSTIGATION  
AT NEW ORLEANS AT MONTELEONE HOTEL, VIEUX CARRE MOTOR LODGE,  
DOWNTOWNER HOTEL, ROOSEVELT HOTEL, JUNG HOTEL, SHERATON - CHARLES  
HOTEL, IN EFFORT TO LOCATE AND INTERVIEW GLENN E. DUGAN AND  
FERN TRUCKENMILLES, NEGATIVE. @ABOVE HOTELS ADVISED DUGAN AND  
TRUCKENMILLER NOT REGISTERED. IT IS TO BE NOTED THAT THE ABOVE  
HOTELS ARE SIMILAR IN SIZE AND CLASS TO THE MONTELEONE AND  
VIEUX CARRE MOTOR LODGE AND ARE LOCATED IN THE GENERAL AREA OF  
THE FRENCH QUARTER.

DALLAS RECONTACT SOURCE OF INFORMATION IN EVENT DUGAN AND  
TRUCKENMILLER GIVE CORRECT ADDRESS IN NEW ORLEANS.

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Via TELETYPE URGENT  
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861) AND SAC MEMPHIS (44-1987)

FROM: SAC, DALLAS (44-2469)

MIRKIN. RE: SUSPECT ERIC STARVO GALT.

ON APRIL FIFTEEN, INSTANT, BOYD K. O'BRIEN, SIX SIX FIVE ZERO SANTA ANITA, DALLAS, TEXAS, TELEPHONE EM THREE - THREE ZERO NINE TWO, WITH OFFICE AT FIVE SIX THREE FIVE YALE BLVD., DALLAS, AND TELEPHONE EM EIGHT - THREE ZERO THREE TWO, TELEPHONICALLY ADVISED SA ROBERT P. GEMBERLING WITH WHOM HE IS PERSONALLY ACQUAINTED, THAT EVER SINCE HE SAW THE NAME ERIC STARVO GALT IN THE NEWSPAPERS, HE HAS BEEN TRYING TO RECALL WHERE HE ONCE HEARD THAT NAME. HE STATED IT IS HIS STRONG BELIEF THAT WHILE HE WAS STATIONED IN KARACHI AND CALCUTTA IN THE U.S. AIR FORCE DURING PERIOD 'FORTYTHREE - FORTYFIVE, HE CAME IN CONTACT WITH AN INDIVIDUAL BY THIS NAME WHO WAS IN SOME BRANCH OF THE ARMED FORCES. HE STATED HE CANNOT DESCRIBE THE INDIVIDUAL AND HESITATED TO MENTION THE FACT THAT THIS NAME "WRUNG A BELL," BUT FELT IT WAS HIS DUTY AS A CITIZEN.

① Dallas

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MR. O'BRIEN IS KNOWN TO BE A REPUTABLE INDIVIDUAL.

BUREAU, IF NOT ALREADY DONE, HAVE NAME GALT SEARCHED  
THROUGH MILITARY RECORDS.

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Special Agent in Charge

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Date: 4/15/68

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(Priority)

TO: SAC, DALLAS (44-2649)  
FROM: SAC, SAN ANTONIO (44-1242)

MURKIN, CIVIL RIGHTS.

RE MEMPHIS TELETYPE, APRIL THIRTEEN LAST.

FOR INFORMATION OF DALLAS, RE TELETYPE ADVISED INVESTIGATION AT MEMPHIS REVEALED SURMAN G. YOUNG, FOUR TWO ZERO SIX MACKEY DRIVE, FORT WORTH, TEXAS, REGISTERED AT HOLIDAY INN, FOUR ZERO TWO TWO THOMAS, MEMPHIS, FROM APRIL FIVE TO APRIL SEVEN LAST, DRIVING SIXTY SIX FORD WITH TEXAS LICENSE FRR SIX SIX SIX. REGISTRATION DATA FOR SIXTY EIGHT LICENSE FRR SIX SIX NOT ON FILE AT TEXAS HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT, AUSTIN, TEXAS, AS YET. PLATES ISSUED WICHITA COUNTY, TEXAS.

DALLAS: CONTACT WICHITA COUNTY TAX OFFICE FOR DATA RE INSTANT LICENSE TO DETERMINE IF VEHICLE ISSUED LICENSE IS WHITE MUSTANG. IF SO, ASCERTAIN IF OWNER HAS POSSIBLE

CONNECTION WITH ASSASSINATION OF DOCTOR MARTIN LUTHUR KING, JR.

③ - Dallas  
(1 - Memphis (AM))  
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Above info. furnished telephonically to ZEB on 4/15/68, at 4:00 p.m., by DAVID WALL of San Antonio.

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FBI NORFOLK

719 PM URGENT 4/15/68 JEG

TO CHARLOTTE (44-1365, DALLAS, MEMPHIS (44-1987)  
FROM NORFOLK (44-268)

MURKIN

RE SUSPECT JEFF ADDISON WILLARD

NORFOLK NAVAL BASE POLICE ADVISED TODAY THAT WILLARD RESEMBLES ARTISTS SKETCH SHOWN IN NEWSPAPERS AND WAS IN POSSESSION OF WINCHESTER THIRTY THIRTY SERIAL NUMBER TWO EIGHT NINE ONE ONE FOUR THREE WITH WEAVER TELESCOPIC SIGHT. WILLARD DRIVES TRUCK FOR TRANS-COLD EXPRESS, P.O. BOX TWENTY TWO DALLAS, TEXAS, HAULING FOR TEXAS MEAT PACKERS, DALLAS. MADE DELVIERY AT BASE TODAY. WILLARD DESCRIBED AS W/M BORN TWO FIFTEEN THIRTY SIX AT RALEIGH, N.C., FIVE FEET SEVEN INCHES, ONE SIX FIVE LBS, DARK BROWN HAIR WORN LONG, HAZEL EYES, TATOO OF DAGGER AND PENDANT ON LOWER LEFT ARM WILLARD GAVE PRESENT ADDRESS OF TWO ZERO FIVE MCNEIL ST., ROCKINGHAM, N.C.

DALLAS DETERMINE AT TRANS-COLD EXPRESS THE WHEREABOUTS OF WILLARD ON PERTINENT DATES IN CASE.

CHARLOTTE DO SAME AT ROCKINGHAM ADDRESS.

PHOTOOS FOR MEMPHIS TO FOLLOW BY AIRTEL.

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AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)  
FROM: SAC, DALLAS (44-2649) (P)  
SUBJECT: MURKIN  
CIVIL RIGHTS

Re Bureau airtel to Dallas and Houston dated 4/12/68.

RE: CLAUDE CHESTER MC LAREN, JR.

The following investigation was conducted by SA  
ARNOLD J. BROWN:

AT FORT WORTH, TEXAS

On 4/15/68, Operator 10, Retail Merchant's Credit Association, advised they had no record of MC LAREN in their files.

On 4/15/68, DAVID MALONE, Identification Officer, Fort Worth Police Department, advised he could locate no record of MC LAREN in his files.

On 4/15/68, Miss FAYE RAY, Deputy U. S. District Clerk, advised she had no record of MC LAREN's passport.

On 4/15/68, Mrs. M. E. PRESTON, 5405 Wichita Street, advised that CLAUDE CHESTER MC LAREN, JR., is her brother, and he had returned to Houston, Texas, on 4/10/68. She said that CLAUDE is with his brother, CARL MC LAREN, who operates a construction business out of Houston, Texas, and she believed he is presently working on a job in Freeport, Texas. She

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stated that CARL can be reached through telephone number 23-3-6579, Houston, Texas.

PRESTON said that CLAUDE had been to Honduras on a business trip for CARL, but she did not know what dates CLAUDE was in Honduras.

PRESTON advised that CLAUDE has been residing in Houston, Texas, for the past two months, and has only been in Fort Worth on visits.

PRESTON further stated that there has been a death in the family, and she has been in the hospital, and because of the strain, she was unable to say what period or dates that CLAUDE was in Honduras; Houston, Texas; or Fort Worth, Texas.

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HOUSTON

Will conduct investigation to establish the whereabouts of MC LAREN during pertinent period, 3/29/68 - 4/4/68, as requested in referenced airtel.

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Date: 4/16/68

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(Priority)TO: SACS, CHARLOTTE (44-1365)  
MEMPHIS (44-1987)

FROM: SAC, DALLAS (44-2649)

MURKIN

RE SUSPECT JEFF ADDISON WILLARD

RE NORFOLK TELETYPE APRIL FIFTEEN LAST.

MR. CHARLES WEISS, ADJUSTOR OF INSURANCE,  
TRANS-COLD EXPRESS, IRVING, TEXAS, ADVISED ON APRIL  
SIXTEEN INSTANT HIS RECORDS SHOW JEFF ADDISON WILLARD WAS  
IN THE SYRACUSE, N.Y. AREA ON MARCH TWENTY-NINE AND  
THIRTY LAST AND WAS IN CHEYENNE, WYOMING ON APRIL THREE  
AND FOUR LAST. HE SAID WILLARD HAD AN ACCIDENT AT  
CHEYENNE ON APRIL THIRD AND STAYED THERE THRU APRIL  
FOURTH. NORFOLK ADVISED AM.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, DALLAS (44-2649)

DATE: 4-15-68

FROM : SA WILLIAM R. JENKINS

SUBJECT: MURKIN

RE: JEROME WALLIS VERNON

AT PAMPA, TEXAS

The following investigation was conducted on 4-11-68 by  
SA WILLIAM R. JENKINS and SA RICHARD K. POWELL;

MR. CHARLES THUT, County Clerk, Gray County, Texas, displayed birth certificate of JEROME WALLIS VERNON which reflected that he was born on 12-14-35 at Worley Hospital, Pampa, Texas. His father was JAMES MACK VERNON, Pampa, Texas, race white, birthplace Cleburne, Texas. Occupation - Manager of laundry. His mother was shown as BONNIE LASSIE SMITH, Pampa, Texas, age 31, race white, birthplace - Denison, Texas, occupation - Housewife. The child was delivered by Dr. A. B. Goldston.

MR. RUFUS H. JORDAN, Sheriff, Gray County, Texas, advised that he had never known either JEROME WALLIS VERNON or his parents.

MRS. VI DUNHAM, Credit Bureau of Pampa, Texas, advised that their records revealed no information concerning either JEROME WALLIS VERNON or JAMES MACK VERNON, but pointed out that their records were destroyed after 7 years if no information or inquiries were received on an individual. MRS. DUNHAM furnished the City Directories of Pampa, Texas, for the years 1933 to 1937 but no listing was found of JAMES MACK VERNON.



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MR. WELDON TRICE, Assistant Principal, Pampa High School, and MRS. PERNAL SCOGGINS, Registrar, Pampa Junior High School, advised that there was no record that JAMES JEROME WALLIS VERNON had ever attended school at either of those schools. MR. TRICE pointed out that if VERNON was still residing in Pampa at age 5, his name would appear in the school census for that year and on through the years when he would normally be attending school.

MR. BERT O. NUCKOLS, County Superintendent of Schools, Gray County, Texas, advised that a check of the school census for the years 1940 through 1944 but no record was found of the name JAMES JEROME WALLIS VERNON.

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AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

TO: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1897)  
FROM: SAC, KANSAS CITY (44-760) -P-  
SUBJECT: MURKIN

OO: Memphis  
Bufile 44-38861

Re Kansas City teletypes, 4/9/68 and 4/10/68.

Enclosed to Memphis are five (5) different photos of LYNN RAY CLEVELAND as obtained from Joplin, Missouri Police Department on 4/11/68.

Due to the nationwide publicity concerning the arrest of CLEVELAND by the Joplin Police Department on 4/9/68, it is felt the enclosed photos should be exhibited to pertinent witnesses even though CLEVELAND has been eliminated as subject in this matter. This is suggested as it is felt CLEVELAND's arrest might be the object of close scrutiny by the defense attorney of any subject identified and brought to trial in this case and therefore, CLEVELAND should be eliminated by all means logical.

The Kansas City Division will submit FD-302s pertaining to investigation relating to arrest and elimination of CLEVELAND as suspect.

2 - Memphis (Encs. 5)  
① - Dallas (Info)  
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, DALLAS (44-2649) (P) DATE: 4/16/68

FROM : SA JARRELL H. DAVIS

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Memphis teletype to Dallas and San Antonio dated 4/13/68, and San Antonio teletype to Dallas dated 4/15/68.

A check of the automobile registration records at the Tax Assessor's Office in Wichita Falls, Texas, on 4/14/68, reflected that 1968 Texas license FRR 66 was issued to a HAROLD A. PULLUM, Hurst Street, Wichita Falls, Texas, for a 1967 Pontiac four-door sedan.

HAROLD A. PULLUM, according to the city directory, is a vice president of the City National Bank, Wichita Falls, Texas, and is personally known to writer.

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AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)  
FROM: SAC, DALLAS (44-2649) (P)  
SUBJECT: MURKIN  
CIVIL RIGHTS

On 4/15/68, GLENN R. TENNIS, San Angelo, Texas, confidentially advised he wonders if his stepson, JAMES ALLEN SMITH, might not be implicated in captioned matter.

TENNIS advised his stepson has not visited his mother or him in San Angelo for over two and one half years, due to past financial problems. TENNIS stated approximately one and a half years ago, a friend, GLEN E. GELVIN, also known as "REX", San Angelo, told TENNIS that JAMES ALLEN SMITH had been by to see him in San Angelo, and had mentioned something about a price being put on KING's head

SMITH was last arrested on or about 2/29/68, at Fort Worth, Texas, on warrant out of Houston, Texas. SMITH was taken by authorities to Houston where he made bond on 3/4/68, and his whereabouts since that time are unknown.

SMITH is not considered by TENNIS to be the killer type, but could assist in a conspiracy.

SMITH has a long criminal record and is deeply involved in pending court cases requiring large sum of money for attorney fees. SMITH's present attorney is FRED PICK, 202 Burk Burnett Building, Fourth and Main, Fort Worth.

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TENNIS contacted FICK by telephone during the past week. FICK would not talk on the telephone to TENNIS, but required TENNIS to appear in person and identify himself to FICK. TENNIS did so on 4/13/68. FICK claimed not to know the present whereabouts of SMITH, but had a voluminous file on SMITH's pending court cases.

TENNIS notes that SMITH is experienced in radio mechanics and formerly worked as a radio announcer in San Angelo. SMITH knows how to pilot a plane, is a good fast driver, dresses neatly, and speaks with a southern drawl. SMITH has traveled throughout the South in the past when dealing in stolen cars. He does not have any seaman type experience.

GLEN R. (REX) GELVIN, 917 Glenna Street, San Angelo, Texas, advised on 4/15/68, that JAMES ALLEN SMITH last visited him in San Angelo approximately five months ago. He stated he has no information regarding the current whereabouts of SMITH. GELVIN noted that SMITH is an egotistical type liar, and had told him a story over a year ago regarding his (SMITH's) stolen car dealings with the "Southern Christian Conference" and MARTIN LUTHER KING in Atlanta, Georgia.

SMITH related that he had sold stolen cars to the Conference, who subsequently reneged in paying him until he exhibited his gun when he went personally to KING's office to collect money owed him by the Conference. SMITH related that an unnamed associate of SMITH's stolen car activities, had told SMITH he could make \$500 for shooting KING. GELVIN added SMITH would not comment any further concerning this KING matter. GELVIN stated he did not pay much attention to the above SMITH story, as he has known SMITH a long time, and does not place much credence in anything he has to say.

TENNIS notes SMITH had polio in his left leg when he was three years old, and same is now two inches shorter, resulting in SMITH's walking with a noticeable limp.

JAMES ALLEN SMITH is described as follows by his stepfather, TENNIS:

Race  
Sex

White  
Male

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Age	32 years
Date of birth	7/4/35
Place of birth	Thackerville, Oklahoma
Height	6 feet
Weight	165 - 175 pounds
Hair	Blonde or light brown
Eyes	Blue
Complexion	Light
Build	Slender
FBI Number	731 553 D

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If the Bureau has unidentified latents in captioned matter, suggest same be compared with fingerprints on file of SMITH.

HOUSTON

AT HOUSTON, TEXAS. Contact police authorities to determine current whereabouts of SMITH, and set out leads to have him interviewed as set out in Dallas lead.

DALLAS

AT FORT WORTH, TEXAS. Contact Attorney FRED PICK, 202 Burk Burnett Building, Fourth and Main, for any information re current whereabouts of SMITH. If located, SMITH should be interviewed concerning statement he allegedly made that he could make \$500 by shooting KING.



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TELETYPE

URGENT

TO: DALLAS (44-2649)  
FROM: SAN ANTONIO (44-1242)  
MURKIN, CR.

REMETEL APRIL THIRTEEN, LAST.

FOR INFO DALLAS, RE TEL ADVISED INVESTIGATION AT MEMPHIS REVEALED SURMAN G. YOUNG, FOUR TWO ZERO SIX MACKEY DRIVE, FORT WORTH, TEXAS, REGISTERED HOLIDAY INN, FOUR ZERO TWO TWO THOMAS, MEMPHIS, FROM APRIL FIVE TO SEVEN, LAST, DRIVING SIXTY-SIX FORD WITH TEXAS LICENSE F R R SIX SIX.

REGISTRATION DATA FOR SIXTYEIGHT LICENSE F R R SIX SIX NOT ON FILE TEXAS HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT, AUSTIN, AS YET. PLATES ISSUED WICHITA COUNTY, TEXAS.

DALLAS CONTACT WICHITA COUNTY TAX OFFICE FOR DATA INSTANT LICENSE TO DETERMINE IF VEHICLE ISSUED FOR IS WHITE MUSTANG. IF SO, ASCERTAIN IF OWNER HAS POSSIBLE CONNECTION WITH ASSASSINATION OF DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

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1-Memphis (44-1987) (AM)

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TO ALL SACS

FROM DIRECTOR

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