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44-38861-5920

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**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535**

1 - Conrad  
1 - Griffith  
① - Mr. Mortimer  
1 - Rosen  
1 - Lab File

To: **FBI, Memphis (44-1987)**

Date: **November 29, 1968**

Re: **MURKIN  
CR  
OO: Memphis**

*J. Edgar Hoover*  
John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No. **44-38861**  
Lab. No. **D-681126110 JK**

Examination requested by: **Birmingham**  
Reference: **Letter 11/22/68**  
Examination requested: **Document - Fingerprint**  
Remarks:

**You will be advised separately regarding the results  
of the fingerprint examination and disposition of Q411.**

**Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)**

- 1 - Birmingham (44-1740) Enclosure (Lab report)**
- 1 - Mobile Enclosure (Lab report)**
- 1 - New Orleans Enclosure (Lab report)**
- 1 - St. Louis Enclosure (Lab report)**

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**REPORT  
of the****FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535**To: **FBI, Memphis (44-1987)**Date: **November 29, 1968**Re: **MURKIN  
CR**

FBI File No.

**44-38861**

Lab. No.

**D-681126110 JK**Specimens received **11/26/68**

**Q411 Registration card bearing the name and address "John L.  
Rayms 1825 Lafayette St. St. Louis Mo,"**

**Result of examination:**

Employing K171, K211, and K257 as known standards,  
it was concluded that the questioned writings on the Q411  
registration card were prepared by JAMES EARL RAY, FBI #405942G.

Q411 will be returned separately. Photographs were  
made.

JHM:aw (13)

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

1 - Conrad  
1 - Griffith  
1 - Mr. Mortimer  
1 - Rosen  
1 - Lab File

To: FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

Date: November 29, 1968

Re: MURKIN  
CR  
OO: Memphis

*J. Edgar Hoover*  
John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No. 44-38861  
Lab. No. D-681126110 JK

Examination requested by: Birmingham  
Reference: Letter 11/22/68  
Examination requested: Document - Fingerprint  
Remarks:

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of the fingerprint examination and disposition of Q411.

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- 1 - Birmingham (44-1740) Enclosure (Lab report)
- 1 - Mobile Enclosure (Lab report)
- 1 - New Orleans Enclosure (Lab report)
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Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
DeLoach \_\_\_\_\_  
Mohr \_\_\_\_\_  
Bishop \_\_\_\_\_  
Casper \_\_\_\_\_  
Callahan \_\_\_\_\_  
Conrad \_\_\_\_\_  
Felt \_\_\_\_\_  
Gale \_\_\_\_\_  
Rosen \_\_\_\_\_  
Sullivan \_\_\_\_\_  
Tavel \_\_\_\_\_  
Trotter \_\_\_\_\_  
Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_  
Holmes \_\_\_\_\_  
Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

JHM:aw (13)

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MAIL ROOM ☐ TELETYPE UNIT ☐

REPORT  
of theFEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

Date: November 29, 1968

Re: MURKIN  
CR

FBI File No.

44-38861

Lab. No.

D-681126110 JK

Specimens received 11/26/68

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## Result of examination:

Employing K171, K211, and K257 as known standards,  
it was concluded that the questioned writings on the Q411  
registration card were prepared by JAMES EARL RAY, FBI #405942G.

Q411 will be returned separately. Photographs were  
made.

Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
DeLoach \_\_\_\_\_  
Mohr \_\_\_\_\_  
Bishop \_\_\_\_\_  
Casper \_\_\_\_\_  
Callahan \_\_\_\_\_  
Conrad \_\_\_\_\_  
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Trotter \_\_\_\_\_  
Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_  
Holmes \_\_\_\_\_  
Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

JHM:aw (13)

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MAIL ROOM ☐ TELETYPE UNIT ☐



FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

- 1 - Mr. Rosen
- 1 - (Mr. Long-2260)
- 1 - Mr. Conrad
- 1 - Mr. Mortimer
- 1 - Foreign Liaison
- 1 - Lab File

To: FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

Date: July 17, 1968

QC389

Re: MURKIN  
CR

CO: Memphis

*J. Edgar Hoover*  
John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No. 44-38861  
Lab. No. D-680715037 JK

Examination requested by: Legat, London

Reference: Airtel 7/8/68

Examination requested: Document - Fingerprint

Remarks:

2 - Legat, London (88-72) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

JHM:AW (11)

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REPORT  
of the



FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

Date: July 17, 1968

Re: MURKIN  
CR

FBI File No. 44-38861  
Lab. No. D-680715037 JK

Specimens received 7/15/68

Qc389 Two photographs comprising front and back of paper bag bearing on one side the hand printed words "PUT ALL" and on the other side hand printing beginning "PLACE ALL.." and ending "...IN THIS BAG"

ALSO SUBMITTED: Two photographs of latent prints found on bag and copy of telegram to American Embassy, London, to Department of State

Result of examination:

Specimen Qc389 was searched through the appropriate sections of the Bank Robbery Note File but could not be identified with any prior submissions to this file.

The process of outlining and filling in the letters comprising the Qc389 note, is more a form of art than hand printing, and therefore normal identifying characteristics of the writer would not be in evidence. For this reason, it could not be determined whether the Qc389 note was prepared by JAMES EARL RAY, FBI #4059420.

Qc389 and the ALSO SUBMITTED material have been retained.

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- 1 - Mr. Rosen
- 1 - Mr. Conrad
- 1 - Mr. Griffith
- ① - Mr. Mortimer
- 1 - Lab File
- 1 - Foreign Liaison

**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535**

To: **FBI, Memphis (44-1987)**

Date: **November 20, 1968**

Re:

**MURKIN  
CR  
OO: Memphis**

*J. Edgar Hoover*  
John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No. **44-38861**  
Lab. No. **D-681115108 JK**

Examination requested by: **Bureau**

Reference: **None**

Examination requested: **Document**

Remarks:

Enclosed for the information of Memphis is a copy of RCMP report relative to Qc409. Legat, Ottawa, has advised, that as yet, clearance has not been received from the RCMP for dissemination outside the Bureau of the results of this examination or the information in the RCMP report.

Enclosures (3) (2 Lab report, copy of RCMP report)

1 - Legat, Ottawa Enclosure (Lab report)

JHM:aw (12)

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**REPORT  
of the**

1 - Mr. Rosen  
1 - Mr. Conrad  
1 - Mr. Griffith  
1 - Mr. Mortimer  
1 - Lab file  
1 - Foreign Liaison

**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535**

To: FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

Date: November 20, 1968

Re: MURKIN  
CR

FBI File No. 44-38861

Lab. No. D-681115108 JK

Specimens received 11-15-68

Qc409 Photocopy of registration card of Town'n Country Ltd.  
Motel & Restaurant bearing the name and address  
"Eric Galt, 507 Chestnut St., Chicago, Ill."

**Result of examination:**

It was concluded that the questioned writings  
appearing on Qc409 were prepared by JAMES EARL RAY,  
FBI #405942G.

Specimen Qc409 has been retained in the files  
of the Bureau.

JHM:aw (12)

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**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535**

1 - Mr. Rosen  
1 - Mr. Conrad  
1 - Mr. Griffith  
1 - Mr. Mortimer  
1 - Lab File

To: FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

Date: November 26, 1968

Re: MURKIN  
CR  
OO: Memphis

*J. Edgar Hoover*  
John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No. 44-38861  
Lab. No. D-681125011 JK

Examination requested by: Los Angeles  
Reference: Airtel 11/21/68  
Examination requested: Document - Fingerprint  
Remarks:

You will be advised separately regarding the results of the fingerprint examination and disposition of Q410.

Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

2 - Los Angeles (44-1574) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

JHM:aw (12)

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**REPORT  
of the****FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535**

To: FBI, Memphis (44-1987)  
Re: MURKIN  
CR

Date: November 26, 1968  
FBI File No. 44-38861  
Lab. No. D-681125011 JK

Specimens received 11/25/68

Q410 Portion of a cardboard box bearing handwritten notations including the name and address "James Earl Ray 112 Tucker St. Leland, Mississippi"

**Result of examination:**

It was concluded that the questioned handwriting appearing on Q410 was not prepared by JAMES EARL RAY, FBI #405942G. The hand printing on Q410 is too limited for an adequate examination; however, differences were noted between this limited hand printing and the known hand printing of RAY.

Q410 will be returned separately. Photographs were made.

JHM:aw (12)

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

1 - Mr. Rosen  
1 - Mr. Conrad  
1 - Mr. Griffith  
1 - Mr. Mortimer  
1 - Lab File

To: FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

Date: November 26, 1968

Re: MURKIN  
CR  
OO: Memphis

*J. Edgar Hoover*  
John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No. 44-38861  
Lab. No. D-681125011 JK

Examination requested by: Los Angeles

Reference: Airtel 11/21/68

Examination requested: Document - Fingerprint

Remarks:

You will be advised separately regarding the results of the fingerprint examination and disposition of Q410.

Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

2 - Los Angeles (44-1574) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
DeLoach \_\_\_\_\_  
Mohr \_\_\_\_\_  
Bishop \_\_\_\_\_  
Casper \_\_\_\_\_  
Callahan \_\_\_\_\_  
Conrad \_\_\_\_\_  
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Tavel \_\_\_\_\_  
Trotter \_\_\_\_\_  
Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_  
Holmes \_\_\_\_\_  
Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

JHM:aw (12)

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MAIL ROOM ☐ TELETYPE UNIT ☐

REPORT  
of theFEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

Date: November 26, 1968

Re: MURKIN  
CRFBI File No. 44-38861  
Lab. No. D-681125011 JK

Specimens received 11/25/68

Q410 Portion of a cardboard box bearing handwritten notations including the name and address "James Earl Ray 112 Tucker St. Leland, Mississippi"

## Result of examination:

It was concluded that the questioned handwriting appearing on Q410 was not prepared by JAMES EARL RAY, FBI #405942G. The hand printing on Q410 is too limited for an adequate examination; however, differences were noted between this limited hand printing and the known hand printing of RAY.

Q410 will be returned separately. Photographs were made.

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**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535**

1 - Mr. Rosen  
1 - Mr. Conrad  
1 - Mr. Griffith  
① - Mr. Mortimer  
1 - Lab File

To: FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

Date: September 4, 1968

Re: MURKIN  
CR  
OO: Memphis

*J. Edgar Hoover*  
John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No. 44-38861  
Lab. No. D-680826086 JK  
D-680826101 JK

Examination requested by: Chicago  
Reference: Airtels, 8/23/68 and 8/24/68  
Examination requested: Document - Fingerprint  
Remarks:

A separate report is being furnished regarding the results of the latent fingerprint examination and return of Q398 through Q408.

This report confirms and supplements Bureau teletype to Memphis dated 8/27/68.

Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)  
2 - Chicago (44-1114) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

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# REPORT of the



## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

Date: September 4, 1968

Re: MURKIN  
CRFBI File No. 44-38861  
Lab. No. D-680826086 JK  
D-680826101 JK

Specimens received 8/26/68, from FBI, Chicago

Eight payroll checks of Indian Trail Restaurant, Inc., payable to JOHN RAYNS or JOHN L. RAYNS, further described as follows:

<u>SPECIMEN</u>	<u>NUMBER</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Q398	4838	5/7/67	\$84.89
Q399	4913	5/14/67	84.89
Q400	4987	5/21/67	84.89
Q401	5058	5/28/67	84.89
Q402	5130	6/4/67	89.63
Q403	5209	6/11/67	89.63
Q404	5283	6/18/67	95.19
Q405	5357	6/25/67	77.53

Q406 Employee's Withholding Exemption Certificate dated May 10, 1967, bearing Social Security Number  and signed "John L. Rayns"

Specimens received 8/26/68, from FBI, Chicago

Q407 Sheet from rooming house ledger, page 13, bearing on line 24 the signature "John Larry Rayms"

Q408 Registration card, No. 8075, dated 6/18/67, bearing the signature "John L. Rayns"

### Result of examination:

It was concluded that JAMES EARL RAY, K171, K211 and K257 prepared the questioned Rayms signature on Q407; the questioned handwriting on Q408 and the questioned handwriting and hand printing on Q406. Although significant similarities were noted in the endorsements on Q398 through Q405, except the

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Endorsement on Q403, when compared with the known writings of RAY, the presence of unexplained variations, insufficient comparable material and distortion in some of the questioned endorsements precluded a definite determination as to whether RAY prepared the endorsements on Q398 through Q405.

The endorsement on Q403 is too distorted for comparison purposes. Although some similarities were noted in the date on line 24 on Q407 beside the Rayms signature when compared with the comparable writing of RAY, the limited and over-written nature of this date precluded a definite determination as to whether RAY prepared this date.

Q398 through Q408 have been photographed and will be returned to Chicago separately.

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D-680826101 JK

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1 - Mr. Rosen  
1 - Mr. Conrad  
1 - Mr. Mortimer  
1 - Lab File



**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535**

To: **FBI, Memphis (44-1987)**

Date: **July 23, 1968**

Re: **MURKIN  
CR  
OO: Memphis**

*J. Edgar Hoover*  
John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No. **44-38861**  
Lab. No. **D-680719053 JK**

Examination requested by: **Chicago**

Reference: **Airtel 7/15/68**

Examination requested: **Document**

Remarks:

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**Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)**

**2 - Chicago (44-1114) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)**

**1 - St. Louis (44-775) Enclosure (Lab report)**

**JHM:AW (11)**

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**REPORT  
of the**



**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535**

To: **FBI, Memphis (44-1987)**

Date: **July 23, 1968**

Re: **MURKIN  
CR**

FBI File No. **44-38861**

Lab. No. **D-680719053 JK**

Specimens received **7/17/68, from FBI, Chicago**

**Qc391 Photocopy of two-page handwritten letter on prison stationery beginning "Dear John I will just write..." and signed "Lord R. G. Sneyd"**

**Result of examination:**

**It was concluded that the questioned writing appearing on Qc391 was prepared by JAMES EARL RAY, FBI #405942G.**

**Specimen Qc391 has been retained.**

**JHM:AW (11)**

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Date: 7/15/68

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

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-3886)  
 FROM: SAC, CHICAGO (44-1114)  
 SUBJECT: MURKIN

620719053

Re Chicago teletype to Director dated 7/15/68, air mail copies to Memphis and St. Louis re let mailed from R.G. SNEYD to sister, St. Louis, Missouri.

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau and offices designated are copies of the original letter as set out in referenced teletype. Included in this enclosure is the part of the letter that was deleted by the Chicago "Daily News" when publishing. *Confidential*

A copy of this letter was furnished by ~~\_\_\_\_\_~~ Source. He advised that the crossed out section of the letter reads as set out on the third page of enclosure. He also advised that JOHN RAY claimed that he did not understand this part of the letter.

The Bureau may desire to compare handwriting of enclosure with the known handwriting of the subject.

- ③ - Bureau (Enc. 1)
- 2 - Memphis (Enc. 1) (44-1987)
- 2 - St. Louis (Enc. 1) (44-775)
- 1 - Chicago

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25 JUL 17 1968

ENCLOSURE

Approved: C. C. Bishop  
 Special Agent in Charge

Sent \_\_\_\_\_ M Per \_\_\_\_\_



**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535**

- 1 - Mr. Rosen  
(Mr. Long 2260)
- 1 - Mr. Conrad
- ① - Mr. Mortimer
- 1 - Lab File

To: **FBI, Memphis (44-1987)**

Date: **July 16, 1968**

Re: **MURKIN**  
**CR**  
**00: Memphis**

*J. Edgar Hoover*  
John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No. **44-38861**  
Lab. No. **D-680712073 JK**

Examination requested by: **Cleveland**

Reference: **Airtel 7/10/68**

Examination requested: **Document - Fingerprint**

Remarks:

**You will be advised separately regarding the results  
of the fingerprint examination and disposition of Q388.**

**Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)**

**2 - Cleveland (44-565) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)**

**JHM:AW (9)**

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REPORT  
of theFEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

Date: July 16, 1968

FBI File No. 44-38861

Re: MURKIN  
CR

Lab. No. D-680712073 JK

Specimens received 7/12/68

Q388 American Heritage business reply card bearing on reverse side the hand printed name and address "Eric S. Galt Lorraine Motel Memphis Tenn."

## Result of examination:

Significant differences were noted as the result of comparing the questioned hand printing on Q388 with the known hand printing of JAMES EARL RAY, FBI #405942G; however, because of the limited nature of the hand printing involved and the presence of certain characteristics a definite conclusion was not reached.

Q388 will be returned separately. Photographs were made.

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**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535**

1-Mr. Rosen  
(Mr. Long 22A)  
1-Mr. Conrad  
1-Mr. Mortimer  
1-Lab File

To: **FBI, Memphis (44-1987)**

Date: **July 8, 1968**

Q385  
Re: **MURKIN  
CR  
OO: Memphis**

*J. Edgar Hoover*  
John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No. **44-38861**  
Lab. No. **D-680705000 JK**

Examination requested by: **Los Angeles**

Reference: **Airtel 7/1/68**

Examination requested: **Document - Fingerprint**

Remarks:

**You will be advised separately regarding the results of the fingerprint examination and disposition of Q385.**

**Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)**

**2 - Los Angeles (44-1574) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)**

**1 - Birmingham (44-1740) Enclosure (Lab report)**

**1 - Washington Field Office (44-703) Enclosure (Lab report)**

**JHM:AW (12)**

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REPORT  
of theFEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

Date: July 8, 1968

Re: MURKIN  
CR

FBI File No. 44-38861

Lab. No. D-660705006 JK

Specimens received 7/5/68

Q385 Sheet of paper bearing typewritten letter dated 2/4/68, beginning "I RECENTLY RECEIVED..." and signed "Eric S. Galt"

## Result of examination:

The typewritten impressions on Q385 are the same style as those appearing on other items received in this matter attributed to "Eric S. Galt."

Because of the lack of identifying features it could not be definitely determined that the same typewriter was employed to prepared Q385 and the other items but no significant differences were noted.

It was concluded that the "Eric S. Galt" signature on Q385 was prepared by the writer of other signatures in this name appearing on specimens previously received some of which have been investigatively identified as having been prepared by James Earl Ray.

Q385 will be returned separately. Photographs are retained.

JHM:AW (12)

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FBI

Date: 7/1/68

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

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)(ATTENTION: FBI LABORATORY)  
FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)(P)  
SUBJECT: MURKIN

Enclosed for the Laboratory is a typewritten letter dated 2/4/68 addressed to Mr. HEWITSON and signed by ERIC S. GALT. It is requested that this document be examined for handwriting and typing comparisons with other materials submitted in this matter. This document has been handled only by Mr. HEWITSON and SA LEON J. MEYER.

On 7/1/68 RONALD G. HEWITSON, 9692 Imperial Street, Garden Grove, California, furnished the following information. He advised that he is Sales Manager of the Terene Corporation, 2815 South Halladay Street, Santa Ana, California, and President of the Orange County, California, Chapter, Friends of Rhodesia, P. O. Box 613, Garden Grove, California.

HEWITSON stated that he had recently read a news item indicating that FBI Agents were investigating JAMES EARL RAY's alleged contacts with the American-South African Council, Washington, D. C. He stated that the Friends of Rhodesia work closely with the American-South African Council. He stated that he looked through some of his correspondence and found a letter bearing the signature ERIC S. GALT. This letter is quoted as follows:

- ④ - Bureau (Enc. - 1)(AM-RM)
  - 2 - Memphis (44-1987)(AM)
  - 1 - Birmingham (44-1740)(Info.)(AM)
  - 1 - Washington Field (44-703)(Info.)(AM)
  - 2 - Los Angeles
- TJA:CM  
(10)

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

LA 44-1574

"2-4-68

"DEAR MR. HEWITSON.

"I RECENTLY RECEIVED A LETTER FROM YOUR OFFICE IN  
REPLY TO A LETTER I HAD SENT TO YOU REQUESTING  
INFORMATION ON RHODESIA, THE LETTER CLARIFIED MOST  
OF MY QUESTIONS REGARDING IMMIGRATION. SUCH AS  
PASSPORT. IT WAS NOT MY INTENTION TO LEAVE BEFORE  
NOVEMBER BUT WANTED THE INFORMATION BEFORE HAND,  
ANY OTHER INFORMATION YOU SEND I WOULD APPREACITE.  
WOULD ALSO LIKE TO SUBSCRIBE TO RHODESIAN COMMENTARY.

"SINCERELY,

"ERIC S. GALT

"1535-N-SERRANO

"L.A. CALIF. 90027.

/s/ "ERIC S. GALT"

HEWITSON stated that he would review his files to  
determine if any other communications from GALT are contained  
therein. He stated he was the only person to handle the en-  
closed letter, as he has no secretary. He stated that the note  
"ANS" appearing on the lower portion of this letter was made by  
him.

HEWITSON stated his organization has received much  
publicity in the Los Angeles area resulting from exposure on  
the JOE FYNE Show, a daily late nighttime television talk show.  
He stated the address of the Friends of Rhodesia appears on its  
literature, which is widely circulated.

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Mr. Conrad

7/2/68

W. D. Griffith

MURKIN

Reference is made to cablegram from Legat, London, dated 7/1/68 requesting that the known hand printing of subject James Earl Ray be compared with the note used in the attempted bank robbery of the National Provincial Bank, 74 Sloane St., London, SW 1, England, on 6/29/67.

As a result of a comparison of the above described note with the hand printing of James Earl Ray it was determined that the note in question was not prepared by subject Ray.

RECOMMENDATION: None. For information.

44-38861

- 1 - Mr. Rosen (Mr. Long, 2260)
- 1 - Mr. Conrad
- 1 - Mr. Griffith
- 1 - Mr. Mortimer
- 1 - Lab Files
- 1 - 163-19438

JHM:mb (7)

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**S P E C I A L**

STATE 483

IMMEDIATE 7-1-68

TO DIRECTOR

FROM LEGAT LONDON NO. 83

MURKIN.

JUL 1 1968  
ENCIPHERED

Mr. Tolson	_____
Mr. DeLoach	_____
Mr. Mohr	_____
Mr. Bishop	_____
Mr. Casper	_____
Mr. Callahan	_____
Mr. Felt	_____
Mr. Gale	_____
Mr. Rosen	_____
Mr. Sullivan	_____
Mr. Tavel	_____
Mr. Trotter	_____
Tele. Room	_____
Miss Holmes	_____
Miss Gandy	_____

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RENYCAB JUNE TWO NINE LAST. *Foreign Agency*

PERMISSION RECEIVED FROM [REDACTED] TO REVEAL INFO IN RECAP TO DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE ON NEED TO KNOW BASIS AND UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES CAN IT AT THIS TIME BE PUT INTO REALM OF PUBLIC KNOWLEDGE. I WILL INFORM VINSON ON SAME BASIS AM JULY TWO NEXT.

MYAIRTEL AUGUST ONE, ONE NINE SIX SEVEN "UNSUB, ATTEMPTED ROBBERY, NATIONAL PROVINCIAL BANK, SEVEN FOUR SLOANE STREET, LONDON, SW ONE, ENGLAND, JUNE TWO NINE, ONE NINE SIX SEVEN, FPC" SUBMITTED PHOTOGRAPHIC COPIES OF NOTE USED.

SUGGEST BUREAU COMPARE THIS NOTE WITH KNOWN SPECIMENS RAY'S WRITING IN EFFORT TO ELIMINATE HIM AS SUSPECT THIS MATTER.

RECEIVED: 3:34 PM LRC

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ORIGINAL MR. ROSEN  
MR. WHELAN



FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

- 1 - Mr. Rosen  
(Mr. Long 2260)
- 1 - Mr. Conrad
- 1 - Mr. Trotter  
(Mr. Latona)
- 1 - Mr. Jevons
- ① - Mr. Mortimer
- 1 - Foreign Liaison
- 1 - Lab File

To: FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

Date: July 1, 1968

Q 377-384  
K486

Re: MURKIN  
CR  
OO: Memphis

*J. Edgar Hoover*  
John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No. 44-38861  
Lab. No. D-690825135 III  
PC-A7235 BX 12  
CN

Examination requested by: Legat, London

Reference: Airtel 6/24/68

Examination requested: Document - Fingerprint -  
Firearms - Laundry Marks - Miscellaneous

Remarks:

This report confirms and supplements Bureau airtel to Memphis dated 6/26/68 with copies to Legat, Ottawa and Legat, London. Q377 through Q384 were returned to Legat, London with copies of this airtel. K486 was forwarded to Legat, Ottawa with copies of this airtel.

Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

2 - Legat, Ottawa Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

2 - Legat, London (88-72) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

FMD:AW (16)

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REPORT  
of theFEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

Date: July 1, 1968

Re: MURKIN  
CR

FBI File No. 44- 38861

Lab. No. D-680625135 IH  
PC-A7235 BX IZ  
CW

Specimens received 6/25/68

Q377 Scratch pad

Q378 - Q382 One clean and four soiled handkerchiefs

Q383 Wittnauer wrist watch

Q384 TWA message slip for YARUM CHANDRA DUTT

K486 Four test bullets and four cartridge cases from  
"Liberty Chief, .38 Special revolver" serial #715

## Result of examination:

Q377 was examined for watermarks and indented writing with negative results. The hand printed word "CERTIFICATE" appears on the cover of this pad. Although a number of hand printing similarities were noted in this word when compared with Ray's hand printing indicating it was possibly prepared by the subject, the limited nature of this hand printing precludes a definite identification of Ray as the author of this hand printing.

No visible or invisible laundry marks were found on specimens Q378 through Q382.

Specimen Q383 is a men's 17-jewel Wittnauer wrist watch encased in a Wittnauer watchcase. Both the watchcase and the movement are of Swiss origin. The wrist watch movement does not bear a serial number and there is no physical evidence that the movement has been repaired since there are no jewelers "scratch marks" inscribed on the inside of the case. The watchcase bears two sets of numbers, one above the other, as follows: 8001  
11K

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The Wittnauer factory should be able to advise as to the significance, if any, of these markings. The possibility of tracing the retail sale of specimen Q383 appears remote. No foreign material was located on or in the watch which could assist in tracing the wrist watch.

The wrist watch has a stainless steel expansion-type band bearing the markings "ADMIRAL U.S.A." There is an Admiral Watch Band Company, Incorporated, 9 Debrosses Street, New York City, which manufactures watch bands.

The test bullets and cartridge cases from the .38 Special caliber "Liberty Chief" revolver, serial number 715 were compared with all similar specimens in the National Unidentified Ammunitions File without effecting an identification.

Two latent fingerprints of value were developed on Q384 but they were not identical with the fingerprints of JAMES EARL RAY, FBI #405942G. The questioned handwriting and hand printing on Q384 were not prepared by JAMES EARL RAY. K486 has been previously forwarded to Legat, Ottawa. Q377 through Q384 have been previously forwarded to Legat, London.

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**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535**

1 - Mr. Rosen  
(Mr. Long 2260)  
1 - Mr. Conrad  
1 - Mr. Mortimer  
1 - Lab File

To: **FBI, Birmingham (44-1740)**

Date: **June 26, 1968**

Re: **MURKIN**

**CR**

**OO: Memphis**

*BP*  
*J. Edgar Hoover*  
John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No.

**44-38861**

Lab. No.

**D-680624097 JK**

Examination requested by: **Birmingham**

Reference: **Airtel 6/21/68**

Examination requested: **Document**

Remarks:

**Enclosures (4) (Q376, ALSO SUBMITTED, 2 Lab report)  
2 - Memphis (44-1987) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)  
2 - New Orleans Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)**

**FMD:AW (12)**

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REPORT  
of the



FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: FBI, Birmingham (44-1740)

Date: June 20, 1968

FBI File No. 44-38861

Re: MURKIN  
CR

Lab. No. D-680524097 JK

Specimens received 6/24/68

Q376 Palmer Writers School pamphlet submitted under the name  
"Eric A. Vaughn" bearing hand printing

ALSO SUBMITTED: Handwritten letter signed AUBRY DEE CHANDLER

Result of Examination:

It was concluded that the handwriting on Q376 was  
not prepared by JAMES EARL RAY, A211.

Q376 has been photographed and is being returned to  
Birmingham with the ALSO SUBMITTED material.

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June 21, 1968

AIRTEL

AIRMAIL-REGISTERED

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)  
Attention: FBI Laboratory  
FROM: SAC, BIRMINGHAM (44-1740) (P)

MURKIN  
CR  
OO:ME

The Birmingham office is in receipt of a letter from AUBRY DEE CHANDLER, Scottsboro, Alabama, the original of which is being furnished the Bureau, and Xerox copies of same are being furnished New Orleans and Memphis.

CHANDLER was contacted on June 18, 1968, at Scottsboro, Alabama, and furnished a pamphlet concerning which he had written to the Birmingham office. The original of this pamphlet is an application with the Palmer Writers School, Minneapolis, Minnesota, which is being furnished the Bureau, and Xerox copies thereof are being furnished New Orleans and Memphis.

It is noted that the typewritten name ERIC A. WAUGH, which appears above the name CHARLES MARTIN, Inspectors of Petroleum, New Orleans, Louisiana, may have been typed by a different typewriter than MARTIN's address.

From a layman's comparison of the handprinting on the pamphlet under Parts A, C, and D,

3-Bureau (Enc.2) (AM-RM)  
2-New Orleans (Enc.2) (AM-RM)  
2-Memphis (AM-RM) (Enc.2)  
2-Birmingham  
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*Handwritten:* rec'd 6-24-68

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together with background information furnished by WAUGH, the possibility exists that same may have been written by subject RAY, based upon photographic specimens of his handprinting furnished the Birmingham office by the Bureau, by Routing Slip dated June 17, 1968. This, together with the fact it is known that RAY was visiting in New Orleans on March 22, 1968, which was the date indicated the Palmer Writers School pamphlet was executed, plus RAY's known propensity for correspondence courses, makes it desirable that investigation be conducted at New Orleans, as set forth below.

The FBI Laboratory is requested to make a handprinting comparison of the executed portions of the Palmer Writers School pamphlet filled in by ERIC A. WAUGH, with known handprinting specimens of subject RAY and that Birmingham, New Orleans, and Memphis be advised of the results.

LEADS:

NEW ORLEANS DIVISION

AT NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA:

1. Will conduct investigation at Apartment No.3, (upstairs) 2928 Tulane Avenue, and determine occupant on the date of March 22, 1968. Determine whether subject RAY may possibly have rented the apartment temporarily or may have been visiting the normal occupants thereof.
2. Will interview CHARLES MARTIN, Inspectors of Patroleum, P.O. Box 19465, New Orleans, Louisiana, 70119, regarding the pamphlet of the Palmer Writers School, and

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determine whether he was acquainted with the ERIC A. WAUGH, whose name appears above that of MARTIN, as desiring to be enrolled in the Palmer Writers School. Will determine from MARTIN whether he is acquainted with anyone by the name of ERIC A. WAUGH or whether he might recognize photographs of subject RAY. (New Orleans refer to its previous report regarding RAY's presence in New Orleans on the date in question).

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**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535**

2-Mr. Rosen  
- (Mr. Shroder  
Mr. Long 220  
1-Mr. Conrad  
1-Mr. Mortimer  
1-Lab File

To: **FBI, San Diego (44-387)  
(44-394)**

Date: **June 21, 1968**

Re: **MURKIN  
CR  
OO: Memphis  
KENSALT  
OO: Los Angeles**

*John Edgar Hoover*  
John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No. **44-38861**  
Lab. No. **D-680619073 JK**

Examination requested by: **San Diego**  
Reference: **Airtel 6/17/68**  
Examination requested: **Document - Fingerprint**  
Remarks:

**A separate report is being furnished on the latent  
fingerprint examination and return of Q375 and K485.**

- Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)**
- 2 - Memphis (44-1987) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)**
  - 2 - Los Angeles (56-156) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)**
  - 1 - Bufile (62-587)**

**FMD:AW (14)**

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**REPORT  
of the**



**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535**

To: **FBI, San Diego (44-387)**  
**(44-394)**

Re: **MURKIN**  
**CR**  
**KENSALT**

Date: **June 21, 1968**  
FBI File No. **44-38861**  
Lab. No. **D-680619073 JK**

Specimens received **6/19/68**

**Q375** Sheet of paper bearing a hand printed note which begins "If the F.B.I. wants Ray.s buddy go to...", and ending "...in Big Stone Gap Virginia by the F. B. I."

**K485** Sheet of paper bearing the known hand printing of **GEORGE ROBERT LETSINGER**

**Result of examination:**

It was concluded that the hand printing on Q375 was prepared by **GEORGE ROBERT LETSINGER, K485**.

The submitted material was searched in the Anonymous Letter File without effecting an identification. Copies have been added to this file for future reference.

Q375 and K485 have been photographed and are being returned to San Diego separately.

**FMD:AW (14)**

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6/17/68

AIRTEL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)  
ATTENTION: FBI LABORATORY

FROM: SAC, SAN DIEGO {44-387}  
{44-394}

MURKIN  
OO: Memphis

KENSALT  
OO: Los Angeles

Re San Diego teletype dated 6/14/68.

Enclosed for the Bureau is a handprinted note written in green ink and a known handprinting sample of GEORGE ROBERT LETSINGER, FBI No. 584 742 F..

For the information of the Laboratory, enclosed note was received in the mail at the U. S. Post Office, San Diego, California, 6/11/68.

GEORGE ROBERT LETSINGER was subsequently arrested by the San Diego Police Department 6/12/68 on an outstanding warrant issued at Seattle, Washington, for grand larceny.

On 6/13/68 GEORGE ROBERT LETSINGER was interviewed, at which time handprinting was taken from him since circumstances seemed to indicate he had written the note himself, although he denied having written this note.

- ④ - Bureau (Enc.2)(REGISTERED)  
1 - Memphis  
1 - Los Angeles  
4 - San Diego (2 - 44-387) (2 - 44-394)

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The Laboratory is requested to conduct handwriting examination on enclosures and advise the San Diego Office of the results.

The Bureau is requested to return enclosed items to the San Diego Division.

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1 - Mr. Rosen  
1 - Mr. Conrad  
1 - Mr. Mortimer  
1 - Lab File



**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535**

To: **FBI, Memphis (44-1987)**

Date: **June 18, 1968**

**Q373 - Q374**

Re: **MURKIN  
CR  
OO: Memphis**

*J. Edgar Hoover*  
John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No. **44-38861**  
Lab. No. **D-680617084 JK**

Examination requested by: **New York**  
Reference: **Airtel 6/13/68**  
Examination requested: **Document - Fingerprint**  
Remarks:

**You will be advised separately regarding the results  
of the fingerprint examination and disposition of Q373 and Q374.**

**Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)**

**2 - New York (44-1989) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)**

**JHN:AW (10)**

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REPORT  
of theFEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: **FBI, Memphis (44-1987)**

Re: **MURKIN**  
**CR**

Date: **June 18, 1968**  
FBI File No. **44-38861**  
Lab. No. **D-680617084 JK**

Specimens received **6/14/68**

- Q373** Envelope postmarked "New York, N.Y. AG - PM 11 Jun 1968," bearing the handwritten address "Federal Bureau of Investigation 201 E. 69 St. N.Y.C., N.Y."
- Q374** Accompanying one-page handwritten letter beginning "Federal Bureau of Investigation June 10.68 Gentlemen: I believe it to be of interest to you,..." and ending "...I am deeply concerned and hope no one is hurt."

**Result of examination:**

Specimens Q373 and Q374 were searched through the appropriate sections of the Anonymous Letter File and against items which have been submitted in the "MURKIN" case but no identification could be made.

No watermarks, indented impressions or other identifying characteristics were noted on Q373 and Q374 which might indicate their immediate source.

Physical characteristics of the two items submitted have been noted for possible future reference.

The two items submitted will be returned separately. Photographs were made.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

1 - Mr. Rosen  
1 - (Mr. Long 2260)  
1 - Mr. Conrad  
1 - Mr. Mortimer  
1 - Liaison Unit  
1 - Lab File

To: FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

Date: June 18, 1968

Q369-Q372

Re: MURKIN  
CR  
OO: Memphis

*J. Edgar Hoover*  
John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No. 44-38861  
Lab. No. D-680614107 JK

Examination requested by: Legat, London

Reference: Airtel 6/9/68

Examination requested: Document

Remarks:

Because of the nature of the documents submitted, these were not treated for latent fingerprints. Should such an examination be desired, these items should be forwarded to the Bureau, attention Latent Fingerprint Section.

Enclosed for the information of Memphis is a copy of incoming communication from Legat, London.

Enclosures (3) (2 Lab report, copy of incoming communication)

2 - Legat, London (88-72) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

1 - Legat, Paris Enclosures (5) (Q369-Q372, Lab report)

JHM:AW (12)

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of theFEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

Date: June 18, 1968

Re: MURKIN  
CR

FBI File No. 44-38861

Lab. No. D-680614107 JK

Specimens received 6/14/68

- Q369 Form A-Q-Application for Canadian Passport, in the name RAMON GEORGE SNEYD, stamped "Cancelled," Affidavit signed "Ramon George Sneyd" and attached carbon copy of a letter to the Canadian Passport Division dated 5/17/68
- Q370 Card entitled "Policia Internacional E De Defesa Do Estado Entrada De Estrangeiros," signed RAMON GEORGE SNEYD
- Q371 International Embarkation/Disembarkation Card, in the name RAMON GEORGE SNEYA
- Q372 International Embarkation/Disembarkation Card, in the name RAMON GEORGE SNEYD

## Result of examination:

Excluding the hand printing on Q370 and considering the signature on this item together with the other specimens described above, it was concluded that the questioned handwriting, hand printing and "Sneyd" signatures on Q369 through Q372 were prepared by JAMES EARL RAY, FBI #405942G.

Specimens Q369 through Q372 are forwarded with a copy of this report to Legat, Paris. Photographs were made.

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**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535**

1 - Mr. Rosen  
(Mr. Long 2260)  
1 - Mr. Conrad  
1 - Mr. Mortimer  
1 - Lab File

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*Request  
Marshall*

To:

FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

Date:

June 11, 1968

Re:

MURKIN

CS

CO: Memphis

*BN*  
*J. Edgar Hoover*  
John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No.

Lab. No.

44-38861

D-880610033 JA

Examination requested by:

San Diego

Reference:

Teletype 6/8/68

Examination requested:

Document - Fingerprint

Remarks:

You will be advised separately regarding the results of the fingerprint comparisons.

Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

2 - San Diego (44-387) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

1 - Los Angeles (44-1574) Enclosure (Lab report)

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of the



FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

Date: June 11, 1968

FBI File No. 44-38861

Re: MURKIN  
CR

Lab. No. D-680610039 JK

**Request**

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6/7/68

Request comparison of the WILLIAM A. MARSHALL signatures on Q343 and Q344 with the known handwriting of HOWARD MASON BIRRELL, JR., FBI #1971469

**Result of examination:**

Because of the lack of comparable letters and letter combinations for a satisfactory examination, it could not be determined whether the "William A. Marshall" signatures on Q343 and Q344 were prepared by HOWARD MASON BIRRELL, JR., FBI #1971469.

If available, additional known handwriting of BIRRELL may permit a more definite opinion.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

JUN 5 1968

TELETYPE

FBI WASH DC

FBI SANDIEGO

357PM URGENT 6-5-68 CND

TO DIRECTOR, MEMPHIS AND LOS ANGELES  
FROM SAN DIEGO 44-387 2P

MURKIN

RE WILLIAM A. MARSHALL (CONSIDER ARMED AND DANGEROUS)

RE SAN DIEGO TELETYPE TO BUREAU, MEMPHIS AND  
LOS ANGELES MAY THIRTY ONE LAST.

MRS. CLARENCE BIRRELL, CHULA VISTA, CALIFORNIA,  
ADVISED FROM READING EXPLOITS OF WILLIAM A. MARSHALL IN NEWS-  
PAPERS AT CHULA VISTA, SHE FEELS MARSHALL IDENTICAL WITH HER  
BROTHER IN LAW HOWARD MASON BIRRELL, JR., FBI NUMBER NINE  
SEVEN ONE FOUR SIX NINE, LOS ANGELES FILES TWENTY SIX -  
FOUR TWO ZERO TWO NINE AND EIGHTY SEVEN - ONE THREE THREE  
FOUR NINE, BUFILE SEVENTY SIX - TWO FOUR ZERO ZERO FIVE.

MRS. BIRRELL ALSO ADVISED HER BROTHER IN-LAW  
RECENTLY ASSOCIATED WITH RICHARD TUFTS, A YOUNG SAILOR STATIONED  
SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA, WHO TELEPHONICALLY ADVISED MRS. BIRRELL  
THAT HE KNEW HER BROTHER IN LAW AS WILLIAM DE LUCA AS HE HAD  
CREDIT CARDS UNDER THIS NAME. TUFTS RECENTLY RECEIVED A POST  
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CARD FROM HER BROTHER IN LAW SIGNED BUD BIRRELL INDICATING HE WAS STAYING AT THE AMBASSADOR HOTEL, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, AND REQUESTED TUFTS TO PURCHASE HIM A CHEAP AUTOMOBILE.

BUREAU REQUESTED TO COMPARE LATENT PRINTS DEVELOPED ON WILLIAM A. MARSHALL FROM EVIDENCE SUBMITTED BY SAN DIEGO AND LOS ANGELES AND COMPARE WITH FINGERPRINTS OF HOWARD MASON BIRRELL, JR., FBI NUMBER NINE SEVEN ONE FOUR SIX NINE AND ALSO COMPARE KNOWN HANDWRITING OF BIRRELL WITH HANDWRITING OF WILLIAM A. MARSHALL TO DETERMINE IF IDENTICAL.

LOS ANGELES ATTEMPT TO DETERMINE IF WILLIAM A. MARSHALL STAYING AMBASSADOR HOTEL UNDER NAME MARSHALL DE LUCA OR BIRRELL.

FOR INFORMATION BIRRELL RECENTLY RELEASED AND IS ON FEDERAL PAROLE, U.S. PROBATION AND PAROLE OFFICE, SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA.

SAN DIEGO WILL CONTACT RICHARD TUFTS FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REGARDING BIRRELL.

END

LCC

FBI WASH DC

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CC - Mr. Shotten

CALLER: LATENT

Mr. Hooten

By LCC Time 7:45p

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- 1 - Mr. Rosen
- (Mr. Long 22)
- 1 - Mr. Conrad
- 1 - Mr. Mortimer
- 1 - Lab File

**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535**

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To: **FBI, Memphis (44-1987)**

Date: **June 11, 1968**

*BN*

Re: **MURKIN  
CH  
OO: Memphis**

*J. Edgar Hoover*  
John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No. **44-38861**  
Lab. No. **D-682610041 JK**

Examination requested by: **Newark**  
Reference: **Airtel 6/7/68**  
Examination requested: **Document - Fingerprint**  
Remarks:

**You will be advised separately regarding the results of the fingerprint examination and the disposition of Q368.**

- Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)**
- 2 - Newark (44-3886) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)**
- 1 - San Francisco (173-63) Enclosure (Lab report)**

**JHM:AW (11)**

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REPORT  
of the



FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: FBI, Memphis (44-1987)  
Re: MURKIN  
CR

Date: June 11, 1968  
FBI File No. 44-38861  
Lab. No. D-680810041 JH

Specimens received 6/3/68

Q368 Application for subscription to the "Select Magazine,"  
in the name "James E. Ray"

Result of examination:

It was concluded that the questioned hand printing  
on Q368 was not prepared by JAMES EARL RAY, FBI #4039420.

Q368 will be returned separately. Photographs are  
retained.

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Date: 6/7/68

Transmit the following in \_\_\_\_\_  
(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIR TEL \_\_\_\_\_  
(Priority)TO : DIRECTOR, FBI  
ATTENTION: FBI LABORATORY

FROM : SAC, NEWARK (44-854) (P)

SUBJECT: MURKIN  
OO: MEMPHIS

CARBON COPY,

Re: Washington Field Air-Tel to Bureau, 5/31/68

Enclosed for the FBI Laboratory is a subscription form for "Select Magazine" for JAMES E. RAY.

*Conf. Source*

For the information of the Bureau and San Francisco, on 6/6/68, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]  
furnished SA JOHN E. OTTO a subscription form for "Select Magazine" provided by Select Associates. The form is obtainable by request to Select Associates which has advertisements for its magazine in "girlie-type" magazines, tabloids and "Directory of Clubs for Personal Contacts".*Conf. Source*

The form furnished by [REDACTED] reflects it was submitted by a JAMES E. RAY, 34 Gladys Street, San Francisco, Calif., 94110. RAY sets forth he is a 30 year old male, on the form.

The form submitted by RAY is for the purpose of placing an ad in "Select Magazine". It is noted this magazine is ordinarily described as being an obscene pen-pal club type of publication.

RAY set forth he wanted the heading for his ad to be "Sepia modern husband". RAY said he wanted the ad

- 3-Bureau (1-encl.) (Regis. Mail)
- 2-Memphis (Info.)
- 2-San Francisco
- 3-Newark
- JEC:ent
- (10)

*Rec'd  
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Approved: \_\_\_\_\_ Sent \_\_\_\_\_ M Per \_\_\_\_\_