

SA 44-1242

to have resided in St. Francis Hotel, Hollywood, California, at same time as subject RAY in this case, the enclosures are forwarded to the Bureau for consideration.

REQUEST OF THE BUREAU:

Open sealed white envelope addressed to Mrs. DEMPES, Chicago, Illinois, and following photostating of contents return same to San Antonio for return to original contributor, Mrs. MAXINE INGRAM, 121 Omaha St., San Antonio, Texas.

If contents of sealed letter indicate possible Federal violation on part of ROBERT P. ANDERSON, Bureau is requested to compare handwriting with known examples available in fingerprint records of Identification Division.

Copies of this communication are furnished to Los Angeles, Chicago, San Diego for information purposes.

DUE TO MENTAL HISTORY AND PAST USE OF FIREARMS, ROBERT P. ANDERSON SHOULD BE CONSIDERED DANGEROUS, TO POSSIBLY HAVE SUICIDAL TENDENCIES, AND POSSIBLY BE ARMED.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.



**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: **May 17, 1968**

*K271-K274*

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

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

**44-38861**  
FBI File No. **D-680515052 JK**  
Lab. No.

Examination requested by: **Baltimore**

Reference: **Airtel 5/14/68**

Examination requested: **Document**

Remarks:

It should be noted by Baltimore that only six samples of laundry tapes were received in the Laboratory.

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

- 1 - Baltimore (44-669) Enclosure (Lab report)**
- 1 - Albany (44-293) Enclosure (Lab report)**

**JHM:AW (10)**

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

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**REPORT  
of the****FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535****To: FBI, Memphis (44-1987)****Date: May 17, 1968****Re: MURKIN  
CR****FBI File No. 44-38861****Lab. No. D-680515052 JK****Specimens received 5/15/68**

- K271** Three pieces of paper each bearing three sample laundry tapes, Serial No. 33607, obtained from Colesville Cleaners, Silver Spring, Maryland
- K272** Yellow piece of paper bearing two sample laundry tapes obtained from Waldorf Laundry, Waldorf, Maryland
- K273** White card bearing three sample laundry tapes obtained from Lustre Cleaners, Suitland, Maryland
- K274** White card bearing three sample laundry tapes obtained from Morningside Laundry, Hyattsville, Maryland

**Result of examination:**

It was concluded that the machines used to prepare specimens K271 through K274 were not employed to prepare the laundry tapes appearing on Q69 and Q70 and that the machines designated K272, K273 and K274 were not used to prepare the laundry tapes appearing on Q97 and Q99. Differences were noted between the laundry tapes represented by K271 and those appearing on Q97 and Q99 but the lack of identifying features precluded a definite opinion from being reached.

K271 through K274 have been retained.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

LAB FILE

Laboratory Work Sheet

Re: MURKIN  
CR  
OO: Memphis (44-1987)

File # 44-38861  
Lab. # D-680515052 JK

Examination requested by: Baltimore (44-669) Airtel 5/14/68

Examination requested: Document

Date received: 5/15/68

Result of Examination:

Examination by: Mortimer *5/15/68*  
*Jan*

*N.I. K271 → K274 E Q695 Q70 laund. marks & N.E. K272, K273 & K274 E  
Q975 Q99 laund. marks. D.H. K271 E Q975 Q99, lack id. feats.*

*Retain*

*notes only fit items rec'd.*

*TO ME (44-1987)*

*BA (44-669)*

*AL (44-493)*

*T. Rosen (Long 2260)*

*Conrad*

*Lab. File*

*Mortimer*

Specimens submitted for examination

<u>02B-6</u>	<u>202-3</u>		
<i>N.I.</i>	<i>Q.F.B.</i>	K271	Three pieces of paper each bearing three sample laundry tapes, Serial No. 33607, obtained from Colesville Cleaners, Silver Spring, Maryland
<i>N.I.</i>	<i>N.I.</i>	K272	Yellow piece of paper bearing two sample laundry tapes obtained from Waldorf Laundry, Waldorf, Maryland
<i>N.I.</i>	<i>N.I.</i>	K273	White card bearing three sample laundry tapes obtained from Lustre Cleaners, Suitland, Maryland
<i>N.I.</i>	<i>N.I.</i>	K274	White card bearing three sample laundry tapes obtained from Morningside Laundry, Hyattsville, Maryland

*Lab. rpt.  
Jhm:am  
5/17/68*

*Note - only 6 samples rec'd.*

5/14/68

AIRTEL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)  
ATTENTION: FBI LABORATORY  
FROM: SAC, BALTIMORE (44-669)  
SUBJECT: MURKIN  
CR

Re Baltimore airtel, 4/30/68.

RE: THERMO SEAL LAUNDRY TAPES

Enclosed for the Laboratory are seven samples of Thermo Seal Laundry Tapes with the codes 02B-6 and 20R-3 which were obtained from Textile Marking Machines.

The Laboratory is requested to compare the enclosed tapes bearing the code 02B-6 with specimens previously submitted in this case.

③ - Bureau (Enc. 7) (REGISTERED MAIL)  
2 - Memphis (44-1987) (REGISTERED MAIL)  
1 - Baltimore  
JJG:jtk  
(6)

*Recd*  
5-15-68



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WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

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

To: FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

Date: May 16, 1968

To:

MURKIN  
Re: CR  
OO: Memphis

*BN*

*J. Edgar Hoover*  
John Edgar Hoover, Director

44-38861  
FBI File No. D-680514126 JK  
Lab. No.

Los Angeles  
Examination requested by:  
Reference: Airtel 5/10/68  
Examination requested: Document - Fingerprint  
Remarks:

You will be advised separately regarding the results of the fingerprint examination of Q337.

Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

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

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

JHM:AW (9)

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

To: FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

Date: May 16, 1968

Re: MURKIN  
CRFBI File No. 44-38861  
Lab. No. D-680514126 JK

Specimens received 5/14/68

Q337 Post Office Department Form 1583 (Application for  
Delivery of Mail Through Agent) bearing the signature  
"Eric S. Galt"

## Result of examination:

It was concluded that the "Eric S. Galt" signature  
on Q337 was prepared by the writer of other signatures in this  
name on some of the items previously received in this case.

Q337 will be returned separately. Photographs were  
made.

JHM:AW (9)

Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
DeLoach \_\_\_\_\_  
Mohr \_\_\_\_\_  
Bishop \_\_\_\_\_  
Casper \_\_\_\_\_  
Callahan \_\_\_\_\_  
Conrad \_\_\_\_\_  
Felt \_\_\_\_\_  
Gale \_\_\_\_\_  
Rosen \_\_\_\_\_  
Sullivan \_\_\_\_\_  
Tavel \_\_\_\_\_  
Trotter \_\_\_\_\_

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

LAB FILE

Laboratory Work Sheet

Re: MURKIN  
CR  
OO: Memphis (44-1987)

File # 44-38861  
Lab. # D-680514126 JK

Examination requested by: SAC, Los Angeles (44-1574) Airtel 5/10/68

Examination requested: Document, Fingerprint

Date received: 5/14/68

Result of Examination:

Examination by: Mortimer *5/15/68*

*4226* DR. "ERIC S. GALT" sig. Q337 E writer another sig. His name  
appear same items need further.

*Ref. sig. P'd*

FPE

ME(44-1987)

LA(44-1574)

*I. Rosen (long 2264)*  
*Quoted*  
*Lab. File*  
*Mortimer*

Specimens submitted for examination

Q337 Post Office Department Form 1583 (Application For Delivery Of Mail  
Through Agent) bearing ~~hand printing and~~ the signature "Eric S.  
Galt"

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*Lab. rpt.*  
*J. H. Law*  
*5/14/68*



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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
LAB FILE

Laboratory Work Sheet

Lab. # D-68051726 JK  
File # 44-38861

Re: MURKIN  
CR  
OO: Memphis (44-1987)

Examination requested by: SAC, Los Angeles (44-1574) Airtel 5/10/68  
Examination requested: Document, Fingerprint  
Date received: 5/11/68  
Result of Examination:  
Examination by: Mortimer

Specimens submitted for examination

Post Office Department Form 1563 (A Application for Delivery of Mail Through Agent) bearing hand printing and the signature "Eric S. Galt"

4337  
Eric S. Galt  
Eric S. Galt  
Eric S. Galt  
Rel.  
Galt

F B I

Date: 5/10/68

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

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

RE: The Local Swinger, P.O. Box 3802  
Downey, California

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau is a U. S. Post Office Form 1583 (Application for Delivery of Mail Through Agent), dated February 1, 1968, executed by ERIC S. GALT.

The Laboratory is requested to examine enclosure for any latent fingerprints which may be identifiable with JAMES EARL RAY and handwriting examination with other material previously submitted in this matter.

The enclosed was furnished to SA JOHN C. O'NEILL on 5/10/68 by Postal Inspector L. O. POINDEXTER, who advised that this form has been handled by postal employees and C. M. HEDGPETH, agent who received mail for GALT.

C. M. HEDGPETH has advised previously that he had received a telephonic inquiry regarding his services from ERIC GALT and it was explained to him that the service would cost \$3 per month; in addition, the subscriber to this mail forwarding service would have to pay all postage.

- 4 - Bureau (Enc. 1) (RM)  
1 - Memphis  
2 - Los Angeles

JCO/dmr  
(7)

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

LA 44-1574

HEDGPETH stated that he forwarded all this information to GALT, c/o St. Francis Hotel, 5533 Hollywood Boulevard, Hollywood, California. GALT in return sent the amount of \$3 in cash and asked to be a subscriber from February 1, 1968 to March 1, 1968, and wanted all mail forwarded to the St. Francis Hotel in the name of ERIC S. GALT, ERIC S. or E.S.G. In addition, he was mailed Post Office Form 1583 to be completed by GALT so that HEDGPETH was authorized to act as GALT's agent. HEDGPETH stated that he has advertisements in the Los Angeles Free Press, avant-garde newspaper. It is to be noted that GALT also placed an advertisement in the Los Angeles Free Press. A review of postal records resulted in the receipt of the U. S. Post Office Form 1583 which is enclosed.

It is requested that enclosure be returned to the Los Angeles Office for return to Inspector POINDEXTER per his request for completion of his files.



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

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

Date: **May 16, 1968**

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

*BN*

*J. Edgar Hoover*  
John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No. **44-38861**  
Lab. No. **D-680514123 JK**

Examination requested by: **Atlanta**  
Reference: **Airtel 5-10-68**  
Examination requested: **Document - Fingerprint**  
Remarks:

**You will be advised separately regarding the results of the fingerprint examination and disposition of Q336.**

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

- 1 - Atlanta (44-2386) Enclosure (Lab report)**
- 1 - Little Rock Enclosure (Lab report)**

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

**JHM:AW (10)**

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## REPORT



FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

Date: May 16, 1968

Re: MURKIN  
CR

FBI File No. 44-38861

Lab. No. D-680514123 JK

Specimens received 5/14/68

Q336 Registration card, No. 6960, bearing name and address  
"Ernest S. Gault 1911 W 18th St. Little Rock Ark."

## Result of examination:

It was concluded that the questioned writings on  
Q336 were not prepared by JAMES EARL RAY, whose known writings  
appear on K171, K211 and K257.

Q336 will be returned separately. Photographs are  
retained.

JHM:AW (10)

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

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

LAB FILE

Laboratory Work Sheet

Re: MURKIN  
CR  
OO: Memphis (44-1987)

File # 44-38861 23  
Lab. # D-680514152 JK.

Examination requested by: SAC, Atlanta (44-2386) Airtel 5/10/68.

Examination requested: Document, Fingerprint

Date received: 5/14/68

Result of Examination:

Examination by: Mortimer *5/15/68 Jan*

*No id 4336 E. JAMES EARL RAY, IC 171, IC 211 & IC 257.*

*Ref. sep p'd.*

*FPE*

Specimens submitted for examination

Q336 Registration card, No. 6960, bearing name and address "Ernest S. Gault  
1911 W 18th St. Little Rock Ark."

*TO ME (44-1987)*

*AT (44-2386)*

*LR*

*T. Rosen (Long 2264)*

*Garrett  
Lab. & Sep  
Mortimer*

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4336 Ernest S. Gault  
1911 W 18th St  
Little Rock Ark

ENCLOSURE

K171, K211 & K257

Ray - Earl - Sept - desk - Thent  
back

Luella - St. W - doctors - writing - would

april

ALL M 18th St. Little Rock Ark. written  
0336 Registration card, No. 2200, bearing name and address Ernest S. Gault

Grand - 8

Specimens submitted for examination

Result of Examination:

Examination by: ~~WOLFMEYER~~

Examination requested: Document, fingerprint

Date received: 2/10/28

Examination requested by: SAC, Atlanta (77-5380)

Atlanta 2/10/28

OO: Memphis (77-1281)

OK

RE: MURKIN

Lab. # D-29021113 JK  
File # 77-3880J 22

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

IVB FILE

5/10/68

AIRTEL

REGISTERED MAIL

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

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

SUBJECT: MURKIN

(OO: MEMPHIS)

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau is Gordon Hotel Registration Card No. 6960, in name of ERNEST S. GAULT.

On 5/7/68, Mr. JOHN R. MIZE, owner, - manager, Gordon Hotel, 211 Mitchell Street, S.W., Atlanta, telephonically advised that he, while going through his records, located a card in the name ERNEST S. GAULT.

On same date MIZE was contacted, at which time he turned over a registration card in the name ERNEST S. GAULT, 1911 W. 18th Street, Little Rock, Ark., indicating GAULT registered into Room 214 of the Gordon Hotel on 3/29/68, and checked out at 6:00 A.M., on 4/4/68. Mr. MIZE advised GAULT would have written out his name, address, city and state on the face of this card and the remainder of the writing would have been written by hotel employees.

③ - Bureau (Enc. 1)(RM)  
2 - Memphis  
2 - Little Rock  
2 - Atlanta  
JER:lcc  
(9)

*Recd  
5-14-68*



AT 44-2386

DOUGLAS WATSON, Night Clerk, Gordon Hotel, advised he would have been the individual who checked GAULT out at 6:00 A.M., 4/4/68, as the initials "D.W." on the reverse side of this card were written by him. Mr. WATSON advised that the clerk checking GAULT into the hotel would have been ROGER SCHWALBIE, who is formerly from Parkersburg, W. Va., and who has since been fired by the hotel. Mr. WATSON advised he could not recall the description or any other details concerning ERNEST S. GAULT. He did advise GAULT stayed on the third floor of this hotel, which is a very transient type hotel and no other individuals who are presently guests of the hotel would recall GAULT.

It is to be noted this hotel is one of the lower class hotels in the Atlanta area and is frequented mainly by transients, winos and bums.

The FBI Lab is requested to compare handwriting on enclosed card with known handwriting of JAMES EARL RAY. Upon completion of examination, card should be returned to Atlanta and results of examination furnished all interested offices.

LEADS

LITTLE ROCK

At Little Rock, Arkansas:

Will attempt to locate ERNEST S. GAULT at 1911 W. 18th Street and interview for any connection regarding captioned matter or subject.



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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: May 14, 1968

Re: MURKIN  
CR  
OO: Memphis

*J. Edgar Hoover*  
John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No. 44-38861  
Lab. No. D-562678 JK

Examination requested by: Detroit  
Reference: Airtel 5/6/68  
Examination requested: Document  
Remarks:

**Detroit should obtain laundry tapes from the K269 and K270 machines in the sequence "Q22-6" for comparison with the laundry tapes on Q22 and Q70.**

Enclosure (Lab report)

- 1 - Detroit (44-989) Enclosure (Lab report)
- 1 - Albany (44-493) Enclosure (Lab report)

JHM:AW (10)

Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
DeLoach \_\_\_\_\_  
Mohr \_\_\_\_\_  
Bishop \_\_\_\_\_  
Casper \_\_\_\_\_  
Callahan \_\_\_\_\_  
Conrad \_\_\_\_\_  
Felt \_\_\_\_\_  
Gale \_\_\_\_\_  
Rosen \_\_\_\_\_  
Sullivan \_\_\_\_\_  
Tavel \_\_\_\_\_  
Trotter \_\_\_\_\_  
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Holmes \_\_\_\_\_  
Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

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of the****FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535****To: FBI, Memphis (44-1987)****Date: May 14, 1968****Re: MURKIN  
CR****FBI File No. 44-38861****Lab. No. D-562678 JK****Specimens received 5/8/68**

**K269** Three samples of laundry tape appearing on left portion of white handkerchief, obtained from Paw Paw Laundry, Paw Paw, Michigan

**K270** Three samples of laundry tapes appearing on right portion of white handkerchief, obtained from Paw Paw Laundry, Paw Paw, Michigan

**Result of examination:**

It was concluded that the laundry tapes appearing on Q97 and Q99 were not prepared with the K269 machine while differences were noted between the tapes produced by the K270 machine and the laundry tapes on Q97 and Q99. These known specimens are not adequate for a comparison with the "02B-6" markings which appear on the tapes which were attached to Q69 and Q70.

**Specimens K269 and K270 have been retained.**

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

LAB FILE

Laboratory Work Sheet

Re: MURKIN  
CR  
OO: Memphis (44-1987)

File # 44-38861  
Lab. # D-562678 JK

Examination requested by: SAC, Detroit (44-989) Airtel 5/6/68

Examination requested: Document

Date received: 5/8/68

Result of Examination:

Examination by: Mortimer *5/13/68*

*Hand. K269E 4575499, d/s K270. This K. not adg. for comp. 5/13/68*  
"023-6" mark on 4695070.

*TO ME (44-1987)  
DE (44-989)  
AL (44-493)*

*T. - Rosen (long 2260)  
Arrival  
Lab File  
Mortimer*

Specimens submitted for examination

K269 Three samples of laundry tape appearing on left portion of white handkerchief, obtained from Paw Paw Laundry, Paw Paw, Michigan.

K270 Three samples of laundry tape appearing on right portion of white handkerchief, obtained from Paw Paw Laundry, Paw Paw, Michigan.

*Lab. rpt.  
J. H. M. an  
5/14/68*

5/6/68

**AIRTEL**

**TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)**  
**ATTENTION: FBI LABORATORY**  
**FROM: SAC, DETROIT (44-989)**  
**SUBJECT: MURKIN**

Re Memphis airtels to All Continental Offices,  
dated 4/19/68 and 4/25/68.

On 5/1/68, NORMAN BUCHANAN, General Manager,  
Paw Paw Laundry, Paw Paw, Michigan, advised that prior to  
4/68, his company used the code similar to that contained  
on pillow case and bed sheet found in vehicle registered to  
GALT. He informed no yellow tapes were used in 1968, but had  
one orange tape issued with this code on 1/25/68 which came  
out of sub-station known as the Norge Cleaners, 1614 West  
Main Street, Kalamazoo, Michigan. BUCHANAN informed this  
was a bundle of six shirts belonging to one "GRIFFIN", 1206  
Summit, Kalamazoo, Michigan.

Enclosed herewith is one handkerchief containing  
colored samples of tape with the printing of the machines  
utilized by the Paw Paw Laundry.

It is requested that the FBI Laboratory compare  
the printing found on the markings of sheet and pillow case  
with the samples appearing on the enclosure. In the event  
there is no direct comparison, the material may be destroyed.  
It is requested that the results be furnished to Detroit and  
Memphis.

Investigation continuing Kalamazoo for further  
identity of "GRIFFIN".

3 - Bureau (Enc. L) (AM) (RM)  
2 - Memphis (44-1987) (RM)  
2 - Detroit  
GH/cnt  
(7)

K269- K270

*Handwritten:*  
Need  
5-8-68

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



FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

Date: May 14, 1968

MURKIN  
Re: CR  
OO: Memphis

*J. Edgar Hoover*  
John Edgar Hoover, Director

44-38861  
FBI File No. D-562361 JK  
Lab. No.

Examination requested by: Boston  
Reference: Airtel 5/2/68  
Examination requested: Document  
Remarks:

**Memphis teletype 4/22/68 advised to discontinue further efforts to obtain laundry tags with the markings "222-3;" therefore, no additional investigation should be conducted to secure tags with this marking from 1953 through 1964.**

Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

1 - Boston (157-644) Enclosure (Lab report)  
1 - Albany (44-493) Enclosure (Lab report)

JHM:AW (10)

Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
DeLoach \_\_\_\_\_  
Mohr \_\_\_\_\_  
Bishop \_\_\_\_\_  
Casper \_\_\_\_\_  
Callahan \_\_\_\_\_  
Conrad \_\_\_\_\_  
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

LAB FILE

Laboratory Work Sheet

Re: MURKIN  
CR  
OO: Memphis (44-1987)

File # 44-38861  
Lab. # D-562361 JK

Examination requested by: SAC, Boston (157-644) Airtel 5/2/68

Examination requested: Document

Date received: 5/6/68

Result of Examination:

Examination by: Mortimer <sup>5/12/68</sup>  
*you*

*Two id. K253 → K256 E 469 f 470. Test adj. for comp. E laundry tags 475 f 477.  
Ref.*

*TO ME (44-1987)  
1-B5 (157-644)  
1-AL (44-492)*

*T. Rosen (Long 2200)  
Conrad  
Jed & Ed  
Mortimer*

Specimens submitted for examination

<u>02B-6</u> N.I.	<u>20R-3</u> NONE		
		K253	Two pieces of cloth containing two sample laundry tapes printed with Thermo-Seal machine, Serial No. 33137, obtained from Post Exchange Laundry, Newport Naval Base, Newport, Rhode Island
N.I.	NONE	K254	Two pieces of cloth containing two sample laundry tapes printed with Thermo-Seal machine, Serial No. 33138, obtained from Post Exchange Laundry, Newport Naval Base, Newport, Rhode Island
N.I.	NONE	K255	Two sample laundry tapes printed with Thermo-Seal machine, Serial No. 33431, obtained from U. S. Naval Exchange Laundry, U. S. Naval Air Station, Quonset Point, Rhode Island
N.I.	NONE	K256	Two sample laundry tapes printed with Thermo-Seal machine, Serial No. 32296, obtained from U. S. Naval Exchange Laundry, U. S. Naval Air Station, Quonset Point, Rhode Island

**REPORT  
of the****FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535****To: FBI, Memphis (44-1987)****Date: May 14, 1968****Re: MURKIN  
CR****FBI File No. 44-38861****Lab. No. D-562361 JK****Specimens received 5/6/68**

**K253 Two pieces of cloth containing two sample laundry tapes printed with Thermo-Seal machine, Serial No. 33137, obtained from Post Exchange Laundry, Newport Naval Base, Newport, Rhode Island**

**K254 Two pieces of cloth containing two sample laundry tapes printed with Thermo-Seal machine, Serial No. 33138, obtained from Post Exchange Laundry, Newport Naval Base, Newport, Rhode Island**

**K255 Two sample laundry tapes printed with Thermo-Seal machine, Serial No. 33431, obtained from U. S. Naval Exchange Laundry, U. S. Naval Air Station, Quonset Point, Rhode Island**

**K256 Two sample laundry tapes printed with Thermo-Seal machine, Serial No. 32296, obtained from U. S. Naval Exchange Laundry, U. S. Naval Air Station, Quonset Point, Rhode Island**

**Result of examination:**

**It was concluded that the machines used to prepare specimens K253 through K256 were not used to prepare the questioned laundry tags appearing on Q69 and Q70. These known specimens are not adequate for comparison with the "20R-3" designations appearing on the Q97 and Q99 laundry tags.**

**K253 through K256 have been retained,**



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



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

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

Date: **May 14, 1968**

Re: **MURKIN  
CR  
OO: Memphis**

*J. Edgar Hoover*  
John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No. **44-38861**  
Lab. No. **D-562096 JK**

Examination requested by: **Baltimore**

Reference: **Airtel 4/30/68**

Examination requested: **Document**

Remarks:

**Memphis teletype 4/25/68 advised to discontinue further efforts to obtain laundry tags with the markings "202-3;" therefore, no additional investigation should be conducted to secure tags with this marking from K236, K237 and K238.**

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

**1 - Baltimore (44-669) Enclosure (Lab report)**

**1 - Albany (44-493) Enclosure (Lab report)**

**JHM:AW (10)**

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WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

Date: May 14, 1968

Re: MURKIN  
CR

FBI File No. 44-38861

Lab. No. D-562096 JK

Specimens received 4-30-68

Twelve sample laundry tapes obtained from Thermo-Seal machines located in laundries in the Maryland-Delaware area, further described as follows:

SPECIMEN	SERIAL NUMBER	LAUNDRY
K227	32988	Holland Cleaners, Baltimore, Md.
K228	33510	Kirsch Cleaners, Lutherville, Md.
K229	R32566	Sparkle Cleaners, Glen Burnie, Md.
K230	R32450	"
K231	32851	Archers Laundry, Baltimore, Md.
K231A	32940	"
K232	34336	Pilgrim Laundry, Baltimore, Md.
K233	32212	"
K234	33705	Ruxton Cleaners, Towson, Md.
K235	32925	"
K236	-----	East-West Valet, Rockville, Md.
K237	-----	Sayer Laundry, Wilmington, Delaware
K238	-----	Lincoln Cleaner, Wilmington, Delaware

Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
DeLoach \_\_\_\_\_  
Mohr \_\_\_\_\_  
Bishop \_\_\_\_\_  
Casper \_\_\_\_\_  
Callahan \_\_\_\_\_  
Conrad \_\_\_\_\_  
Felt \_\_\_\_\_  
Gale \_\_\_\_\_  
Rosen \_\_\_\_\_  
Sullivan \_\_\_\_\_  
Tavel \_\_\_\_\_  
Trotter \_\_\_\_\_  
Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_  
Holmes \_\_\_\_\_

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MAIL ROOM ☐ TELETYPE UNIT ☐

**Result of examination:**

It was concluded that none of the machines used to prepared K227 through K238 was employed in preparing the laundry marks appearing on Q69 and Q70 and that the machine used to prepare K228 was not used to prepare the laundry marks appearing on Q97 and Q99.

Differences were noted between the tapes designated K227 and K229 through K235 when compared with the laundry marks appearing on Q97 and Q99, but the lack of sufficient identifying features precluded a definite opinion from being reached.

Specimens K236, K237 and K238 are not adequate for comparison with the laundry marks on Q97 and Q99. The submitted items have been retained.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

LAB FILE

Laboratory Work Sheet

Re: MURKIN  
CR  
OO: Memphis (44-1987)

File # 44-38861  
Lab. # D-562096 JK

Examination requested by: SAC, Baltimore (44-669)

Airtel 4/30/68

Examination requested: Document

Date received: 5/1/68

Result of Examination:

Examination by: Mortimer  
*5/10/68*  
*you*

No id. K227 → K238 E 0 695 070. f No id. K228 E 0975 099.  
Diffs. K227 f K229 → K235 E 0975 099 - both sig id. feats.  
K236, K237 f K238 not adg. for comp. E 0975 099.  
Return.

TO ME (44-1987)

- 1 - BA (44-669)
- 1 - AL (44-493)

*T. Rosen (long 2260)*  
*Conrad*  
*Jul Felt*  
*Rumlin*

Specimens submitted for examination

Twelve sample laundry tapes obtained from Thermo-Seal machines located in laundries in the Maryland-Delaware area, further described as follows:

<u>02B-6</u>	<u>SPECIMEN</u>	<u>20R-3</u>	<u>SERIAL NO.</u>	<u>LAUNDRY</u>
N. I.	K227	Diffs.	32988	Holland Cleaners, Baltimore, Md.
N. I.	K228	N. I.	33510	Kirsch Cleaners, Lutherville, Md.
N. I.	K229	Diffs.	R32566	Sparkle Cleaners, Glen Burnie, Md.
N. I.	K230	Diffs.	R32150	"
N. I.	K231	Diffs.	32841	Archers Laundry, Baltimore, Md.
N. I.	K231A	Diffs.	32940	"
N. I.	K232	Diffs.	34336	Pilgrim Laundry, Baltimore, Md.
N. I.	K233	Diffs.	32212	"
N. I.	K234	Diffs.	33705	Ruxton Cleaners, Towson, Md.
N. I.	K235	Diffs.	32925	"
N. I.	K236	NONE	---	East-West Valet, Rockville, Md.
N. I.	K237	NONE	---	Sayer Laundry, Wilmington, Delaware
N. I.	K238	NONE	---	Lincoln Cleaner, Wilmington, Delaware

*Lab. rpt. 5/13/68*

4/30/68

AIRTEL

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

FROM: SAC, BALTIMORE (44-669)

SUBJECT: MURKIN  
CR

Re Albany airtel, 4/10/68 and teletype, 4/11/68.

Re: THERMO SEAL LAUNDRY TAPES

Enclosed for the Laboratory are 12 samples of Thermo Seal Laundry tapes with the codes 02B-6 and 20R-3 which were obtained from Textile Marking machines.

The Laboratory is requested to compare the enclosed tapes bearing the code 02B-6 with specimens previously submitted in this case.

3 - Bureau (Enc. 12) (REGISTERED MAIL)  
2 - Memphis (44-1987) (REGISTERED MAIL)  
1 - Baltimore  
JJG:jtk  
(6)

*Recd  
5-1-68*

1-Mr. Rosen  
1-Mr. Long, rm. 2260  
1-Mr. Conrad  
①-Lab Files  
1-Office, 7133  
~~1~~Mr. Clark 4-25-68

Airtel

To: SAC, Memphis (44-1987)  
From: Director, FBI (44-38861)

MURKIN

The following items of evidence are being returned to you under separate cover by registered mail. Those items obtained from the Memphis Police Department are to be returned to them upon receipt.

Q1 - Q68 (PC-A5698) Laboratory report dated 4-17-68  
Q69 - Q71 (PC-A5695) Laboratory report dated 4-11-68  
Q76 - Q85 (PC-A5689) Laboratory report dated 4-18-68  
Q204 - Q213 (PC-A5694) Laboratory report dated 4-12-68  
K30 (PC-A5686) Laboratory report dated 4-19-68  
K44 - K49 (PC-A5693) Laboratory report dated 4-19-68  
K50 - K59 (PC-A5695) Laboratory report dated 4-19-68

Included in the evidence are pillboxes containing debris and glass slides containing hairs and fibers removed from various items of evidence.

The chain of custody of these items being returned to the Memphis Police Department must be protected between your office and the Police Department.

PMS:nlb (9)



**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: **May 14, 1968**

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

*J. Edgar Hoover*  
John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No. **44-38861**  
Lab. No. **D-562100 JK**

Examination requested by: **Boston**  
Reference: **Airtel 4/30/68**  
Examination requested: **Document**  
Remarks:

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

**1 - Boston (157-644) Enclosure (Lab report)**

**1 - Albany (44-493) Enclosure (Lab report)**

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

**JHM:AW (10)**

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**REPORT  
of the**



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

To: FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

Date: May 14, 1968

FBI File No. 44-38861

Re: MURKIN  
CR

Lab. No. D-562100 JK

Specimens received 5/1/68

Twelve samples of laundry tapes obtained from Thermo-Seal machines located in laundries in the Boston, Massachusetts area, further described as follows:

<u>SPECIMEN</u>	<u>SERIAL NUMBER</u>	<u>LAUNDRY</u>
K240	R32865	Sparkel Cleaners, Brighton
K241	33287	Holly Cleaners, Newton
K242	R32176	C. G. Howes, Newton
K243	R31762	Superior Laundry, Cambridge
K244	R32116	"
K245	R32119	"
K246	R32118	"
K247	33014	Shea's Dry Cleaners, Cambridge
K248	33700	"
K249	R31984	"
K250	R31585	"
K251	34548	Shea's, Brookline

**Result of examination:**

It was concluded that the laundry tags appearing on Q69 and Q70 were not prepared by any of the machines represented by K240 through K251 and that the tags appearing on Q97 and Q99 were not prepared by the machines used in the preparation of K242 through K246.



Differences were noted between the laundry tags represented by K240, K241 and K247 through K251 when compared with the laundry tags designated Q97 and Q99, but the lack of significant identifying features precluded a definite opinion from being reached.

K240 through K251 have been retained.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

LAB FILE

Laboratory Work Sheet

Re: MURKIN  
CR  
OO: Memphis (44-1987)

File # 44-38861  
Lab. # D-562100 JK

Examination requested by: SAC, Boston (157-644)

Airtel 4/30/68

Examination requested: Document

Date received: 5/1/68

Result of Examination:

Examination by:

Mortimer

No id. K240 → K251 E Q695 Q70 f N.E. K242 → K246 E Q975 Q99  
Diff. K240, K241 f K247 → K251 E Q975 Q99 - lack sig. id. feat.  
Retain.

ME(44-1987)  
BS(157-644)  
AL(44-493)

*T. Rosen (Long 2260)*  
Conrad  
Lab. File  
Mortimer

Specimens submitted for examination

Twelve samples of laundry tapes obtained from Thermo-Seal machines located in laundries in the Boston, Massachusetts area, further described as follows:

<u>O2B-6</u>	<u>SPECIMEN</u>	<u>2 OR-3</u>	<u>SERIAL #</u>	<u>LAUNDRY</u>
N. I.	K240	D. ffs.	R32865	Sparkle Cleaners, Brighton, Massachusetts
N. I.	K241	D. ffs.	33287	Holly Cleaners, Newton, Massachusetts
N. I.	K242	N. I.	R32176	C. G. Howes, Newton, Massachusetts
N. I.	K243	N. I.	R31762	Superior Laundry, Cambridge, Massachusetts
N. I.	K244	N. I.	R32116	"
N. I.	K245	N. I.	R32119	"
N. I.	K246	N. I.	R32118	"
N. I.	K247	D. ffs.	33014	Shea's Dry Cleaners, Cambridge, Massachusetts
N. I.	K248	D. ffs.	33700	"
N. I.	K249	D. ffs.	R31984	"
N. I.	K250	D. ffs.	R31585	"
N. I.	K251	D. ffs.	34548	Shea's, Brookline

4/30/68

**A I R T E L**

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

**FROM : SAC, BOSTON (157-644)**

**SUBJECT: MURKIN - LAUNDRY MARKS**

Re Albany airtels dated 4/10/68 and 4/11/68,  
Bureau teletype to Memphis dated 4/12/68, and Memphis  
airtel to All Continental Offices dated 4/19/68.

Enclosed herewith for the FBI Laboratory are  
samples of laundry marks obtained from Thermoseal machines  
of laundry establishments within the Boston Division,  
which are described and itemized as follows:

- (1) Sparkle Cleaners, 350 Chestnut Hill  
Avenue, Brighton, Mass. SN R32865
- (2) Holly Cleaners, 724 Beacon Street,  
Newton, Mass. SN 33287
- (3) C. S. Howes, 612 Washington Street,  
Newton, Mass. SN R32176
- (4) Superior Laundry, 625 Concord Avenue,  
Cambridge, Mass. SN R31762
- (5) Superior Laundry, above, SN R32116
- (6) Superior Laundry, above, SN R32119

3 - Bureau (44-38861) (Encls.-12) (RM)  
2 - Memphis (44-1987)  
2 - Boston (157-644)

RHK:phc  
(7)

*Recd  
5-1-68*

BS 157-644

- (7) Superior Laundry, above, SN R32118
- (8) Shea's Dry Cleaners, Inc., 1016 Massachusetts Avenue, Cambridge, Mass. SN 33014
- (9) Shea's Dry Cleaners, Inc., above, SN 33700
- (10) Shea's Dry Cleaners, Inc., above, SN R31984
- (11) Shea's Dry Cleaners, Inc., above, SN R31985
- (12) Shea's, 473 Harvard Street, Brookline, Mass., SN 34548



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

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

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

**May 14, 1968**

To:

Date:

Re: **MURKIN  
CR  
OO: Memphis**

*J. Edgar Hoover*  
John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No. **44-38861**  
Lab. No. **D-562066 JK**

Examination requested by:

**Richmond**

Reference:

**Airtel 4/29/68**

Examination requested:

**Document**

Remarks:

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

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

- 1 - Richmond (44-657) Enclosure (Lab report)**
- 1 - Albany (44-493) Enclosure (Lab report)**

**JHM:AW (10)**

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**REPORT  
of the****FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535****To: FBI, Memphis (44-1987)****Date: May 14, 1968****Re: MURKIN  
CR****FBI File No. 44-38861****Lab. No. D-562066 JK****Specimens received 5/1/68**

**K239 Slip of ruled paper containing four laundry tapes,  
Code 20R-3, obtained from Smith's One Hour Cleaners,  
Lynchburg, Virginia**

**Result of examination:**

**It was concluded that the machine used to prepare  
specimen K239 was not used to prepare the laundry tags appearing  
on Q69 and Q70.**

**Some differences were noted between the tags represented  
by K239 when compared with the laundry tags appearing on Q97 and  
Q99, but the lack of identifying features precluded a definite  
determination from being reached.**

**Specimen K239 has been retained.**

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

LAB FILE

Laboratory Work Sheet

Re: MURKIN  
CR  
OO: Memphis (44-1987)

File # 44-38861  
Lab. # D-562066 JK

Examination requested by: SAC, Richmond (44-657)

Airtel 4/29/68

Examination requested: Document

Date received: 5/1/68

Result of Examination:

Examination by: Mortimer  
*5/12/68*  
*[Signature]*

*No id. K2395 4695070.*

*Some diff's K2395 4975 499 - both neg. id. facts.*  
*Return*

Specimens submitted for examination

K239 Slip of ruled paper containing four laundry tapes, Code 20R - 3,  
obtained from Smith's One Hour Cleaners, Lynchburg, Virginia

*TO ME (44-1987)*

*T. - Rosen (long 2260)*

*1 - RH (44-657)*

*Castro*

*1 - AL (44-493)*

*Lab. File.*

*Mortimer*

*Lab. rpt.  
J. H. M. 'aw  
5/17/68*

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See item III.

1 page R. H. Jensen to Conrad memo 5/14/68  
"Murkin"  
re Lab's firing of rifle (Q2)



III

44-38861-5920

Bulky Sect. 1

Correspondence

Folder #4

Mr. Conrad

1-Mr. Conrad  
1-Mr. Franier  
1-Lab Files  
5-14-68  
1-Office, 7133

R. H. Jevons

**MURKIN**

As a matter of record, the Remington rifle, SN A17350 recovered in vicinity of the murder scene in this case was test fired for accuracy before this rifle was returned to the Memphis Police Department. With the telescope sight mounted on the rifle, as received, the point of impact of bullets fired at 25 yards was approximately 1 1/2" below and 1" to the right of the aiming point on the target. Where three shot groups were fired at 205' which was reported as the distance from which King was shot, the center of the groups was approximately 3" to the right and only slightly below the point of aim. The targets fired are being made a part of the Laboratory examiner's notes and retained in the Bureau's files in this case. It is pointed out that these data reflect the condition of the weapon when received in the Laboratory. It is possible that some misalignment of the telescope sight may have occurred when the rifle was abandoned by the suspect or in subsequent handling prior to receipt of the weapon in the Laboratory.

**ACTION:** For information.

44-38861

1-Mr. Rosen (Attn: Mr. Long)

RAF:nb (6)

1-Mr. Conrad  
1-Mr. Winters  
1-Lab Files  
8-14-68  
1-Office, 7133

Mr. Conrad

R. E. Johnson

MURKIN

As a matter of record, the Remington rifle, SN A17350 recovered in vicinity of the murder scene in this case was test fired for accuracy before this rifle was returned to the Memphis Police Department. With the telescope sight mounted on the rifle, as received, the point of impact of bullets fired at 25 yards was approximately 1 1/2" below and 1" to the right of the aiming point on the target. Where three shot groups were fired at 200' which was reported as the distance from which King was shot, the center of the groups was approximately 2" to the right and only slightly below the point of aim. The targets fired are being made a part of the laboratory examiner's notes and retained in the Bureau's files in this case. It is pointed out that these data reflect the condition of the weapon when received in the laboratory. It is possible that some misalignment of the telescope sight may have occurred when the rifle was abandoned by the suspect or in subsequent handling prior to receipt of the weapon in the laboratory.

ACTION: For information.

44-38861 - DIVISION  
1-Mr. Rosen  
1-Mr. Long  
8-14-68 (2)

(1) - Mr. Mortimer  
(Lab file)



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

To: **FBI, Los Angeles (44-1574)**

Date: **May 13, 1968**

Re: **MURKIN  
CR**

OO: **Memphis**

*[Signature]*  
*[Signature]*  
**John Edgar Hoover, Director**

FBI File No. **44-38861**  
Lab. No. **D-562868 JK**

Examination requested by: **Los Angeles**

Reference: **Airtel 5/8/68**

Examination requested: **Document - Fingerprint**

Remarks:

A separate report is being furnished on the latent fingerprint examination and the disposition of Q335.

This report supplements and confirms Bureau teletype to Los Angeles dated 5/10/68, airmail copy to Memphis.

Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)  
2-Memphis (44-1987) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

FMD:taw (9)

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**REPORT  
of the****FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535**To: **FBI, Los Angeles (44-1574)**Date: **May 13, 1968**Re: **MURKIN  
CR**

FBI File No.

**44-38861**

Lab. No.

**D-562868 JK**Specimens received **5/10/68**

Q335 One-page handwritten letter beginning "Dear sirs,  
Please send in plain envelope the list..." and  
ending "...any list covering S.F. Bay Area."

**Result of examination:**

It was concluded that the questioned writing  
on Q335 was not prepared by JAMES EARL RAY, FBI#405942GC.

Q335 has been photographed and is returned to  
Los Angeles separately.

EMD:taw (6)

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Recorded  
5/10/68 dt

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

LAB FILE

Laboratory Work Sheet

Re: MURKIN  
CR

File # 44-38861  
Lab. # D-562868 JK

00: Memphis (44-1787)

Examination requested by: Los Angeles (44-1574) A. 5/8/68

Examination requested: Document - Fingerprint Date received: 5/10/68

Result of Examination: Examination by: Mortimer

*5/10/68*  
No ident of ltr Q335 by James Earl Ray  
FBI # 405942 G  
Q335 photo'd to note sig (sgt of law label)

Specimens submitted for examination

Q335 One-page handwritten letter beginning "Dear sirs, Please  
send in plain envelope the list..." and ending "... any list  
covering S.F. Bay Area."

*lab report  
5/13/68  
gmd/law*

PHOTOGRAPHED

MAY 1968

6331 Dear Legs. List to ~~Indul~~  
Please Thank You Samuels Coley  
of Ray. I am especially  
Could James  
K712

F B I

Date: 5/8/68

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

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861) ATTN: FBI Laboratory  
FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)  
RE: MURKIN

CARBON COPY

Enclosed for the Bureau is handwritten letter received at "The Local Swinger" on 4/3/68, from J. RAY, 305 Gate "5" Road, Sausalito, California, 94965.

The Laboratory is requested to examine enclosure for any latent fingerprints which may be identifiable with subject and handwriting examination with other material previously submitted in this matter.

The enclosed was furnished SA JOHN C. O'NEILL on 5/8/68, by JAMES E. O'DOWD of "The Local Swinger." O'DOWD advised that enclosed has been handled by himself and an employee, ANN L. MEYERS. SA JOHN C. O'NEILL also handled enclosure.

It is requested that enclosure be returned to the Los Angeles Office for return to O'DOWD per his request for completion of his files.

- ④ - Bureau (Encl. 1) (RM) 44-1740  
1 - Birmingham (RM)  
1 - Memphis (RM) 44-1987  
1 - San Francisco (RM) 173-65  
2 - Los Angeles

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