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S. C., TELEPHONICALLY ADVISED THE CHARLOTTE OFFICE THAT AT APPROXIMATELY THREE P.M. TODAY, HE STOPPED AT THE SINCLAIR SERVICE STATION ACROSS FROM THE PEPSI COLA PLANT, ROCK HILL, S. C., TO PURCHASE GAS. WHILE THERE, AN INDIVIDUAL DRIVING A SIXTY-FIVE WHITE THUNDERBIRD, BEARING SIXTY-EIGHT KY. LICENSE TWO NINE SEVEN SIX FIVE THREE, PULLED INTO THE STATION, AND DRIVER PURCHASED GAS BY USE OF CREDIT CARD. MOSS ADVISED THE DRIVER OF THIS CAR FIT THE DESCRIPTION AND COMPOSITE PHOTOGRAPH OF THE INDIVIDUAL WHO SHOT KING.

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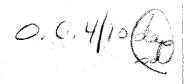
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In connection with the murder of Martin Luther King, Jr., on April 4, 1968, we are continuing the investigation with all possible diligence and dispatch.

The investigation is nationwide in scope as countless suspects are being processed and physical evidence is being traced.

A rifle, believed to be the murder weapon, and a zipper bag containing a pair of binoculars and a large number of personal items were apparently abandoned by the subject immediately after the shooting. Extensive efforts are being made to identify the source of each of these items as a means of identifying and locating the person or persons responsible for the killing.

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UNSUB; ASSASSINATION OF DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE, APRIL FOUR, SIXTYEIGHT. RACIAL MATTERS. MEMPHIS.

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RE SPRINGFIELD TELETYPE FOUR SEVEN SIXTYEIGHT.

GERTRUDE FRITH, ONE ZERO IWO ARLINGTON, LAKE PROVIDENCE. LA. ADVISED LAST DATE HER SON BILLY RAY KING LEFT LAKE PROVIDENCE, LA. ON APRIL FOUR SIXTYEIGHT TO RETURN TO WORK. GIRLFRIEND MARJORIE KENNEDY DROVE KING TO GREENVILLE. MISS. TO CATCH A BUS. FRITH STATED SHE HADN'T SEEN OR HEARD FROM HER SON SINCE HE LEFT. NINETEEN SIXTYSEVEN MUSTANG IN POSSESSION OF MARJORIE KENNEDY. TO BEST OF FRITH'S KNOWLEDGE KING NOT A MEMBER OF KKK OR ANY MILITANT GROUP. MARJORIE KENNEDY ADVISED LAST DATE SHE DROVE KING TO GREENVILE, MISS. ON APRIL

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- 17, 18, Photos 17, 18, 19 and 20 continue on down Main Street to the Fire Station, which is immediately adjacent to the lot containing the automobiles and junk in preceding pictures. Photograph 20 has completed the circuit around the Fire Station and is now looking north on Mulberry St. with the Lorraine Motel on the right hand side of the picture and the hedges and shrubbery and trees at the left, generally concealing an embankment, beyond which is the rooming house in which suspect stayed.
- 21, 22, Photographs at varying angles at the rear of the rooming house. The bathroom window from which it is believed shot was fired has been designated by an "X" in photographs 21, 22 and by an arrow in Photo #23. The arrow markings in Photos 21 and 24 indicate the window in suspect's room, which was at side of building.
- 25 Photo 25 is a night photograph which was taken closer to the rear of the building with an "X" above the bathroom window.
- Photo 26 is a night photo taken of the area at which Dr. KING's body fell.
- 27, 28, Photographs taken on the Mulberry Street side of the Lorraine
- 29, 30, Motel facing Room 306, which was occupied by Dr. KING.
- 31, 32, This room has been marked by an "X" in each of the photos.
- This is photo of the main building of the Lorraine Motel at the corner of Huling and Mulberry.
- 35 This is a photo to the left side of Photo 34.
- 36, 37, These are photos in the bathroom of interest, including a photo of the bathrob where it is believed suspect may have stood.

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- 40,41 Photographs of the interior of the suspect's room.
 Of possible interest in Photo #40 is the fact that
 the curtain on one side appears to have been fastened.
 This is window from which suspect would have had to
 have leaned at least half way out to fire shot at
 Lorraine Motel.
- 42, 43,
- 44, 45 These are photographs of the stairway down the rear of building, stairway up the rear of building, and shot of hallway in both directions. Photo #45 is the view down the hall from the bathroom towards Main St., which is in a westerly direction.
- 46, 47 Photos of the general debris and type of terrain at rear of building of interest.

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MR. TROTTER

FROM

S. F. Latona

SUBJECT:

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4/8/68 DATE:

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LATENT PRINT EXAMINATION

Re my memo to you of 4/8/68, advising of receipt of three rifles from Birmingham.

Two latent fingerprints and one latent palm print of value developed on one of three rifles submitted by Birmingham Office on 4/8/68. No latent prints on other two rifles. These three rifles believed handled by Unsub. prior to making purchase.

These latent prints not identical fingerprints and palm prints of two store clerks Wood and Baker. Latent fingerprints not identical latent fingerprints previously reported this case. Latent prints not identical fingerprints, and palm prints where available, of suspects named to date.

Latent fingerprint on board (window sill in bathroom) identical fingerprint of Memphis agent.

Thirteen latent fingerprints and one latent palm print remain unidentified this case.

Memphis, Birmingham, and General Investigative Divisions have been advised.

RECOMMENDATION:

For information

1 - Mr. DeLoach

1 - Mr. Mohr

1 - Mr. Rosen

1 - Mr. Bishop

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BARDIN SIMPSON, USAF NUMBER

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New Orleans advised in retel that Simpson in custody Lake Charles, Louisiana, on vagrancy charge and unable to account for whereabouts april 4, last. appearance said to match artist conception. NCIC records checked by Miss Ward. Fugitive indices by SA Bledsoe and Ident records by Bonebrake. Bonebrake also furnished results of comparison fingerprints with latents.

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FROM: DIRECTOR, FBI

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THIS IS THE CAPTION FOR THE CIVIL RIGHTS INVESTIGATION
TO IDENTIFY PERSON OR PERSONS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE ASSASSINATION OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., IN MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE, ON
APRIL FOUR LAST.

ALL INVESTIGATION MUST BE HANDLED UNDER THE PERSONAL DIRECTION OF THE SAC. LEADS ARE TO BE AFFORDED IMMEDIATE, THOROUGH IMAGINATIVE ATTENTION. YOU MUST EXHAUST ALL POSSIBILITIES FROM SUCH LEADS AS ANY ONE LEAD COULD RESULT IN THE SOLUTION OF THIS MOST IMPORTANT INVESTIGATION. SAC WILL BE HELD PERSONALLY RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY FAILURE TO PROMPTLY AND THOROUGHLY HANDLE INVESTIGATIONS

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ONE LATERT FINGERPRINT OF VALUE FOUND ON BOARD FROM WINDOW SILL. NO LATERT PRINTS ON LAUNDRY TAPE ON T DASH SHIRT AND SHORTS.

LATENT PRINT ON BOARD CURRENTLY BEING COMPARED WITH PINGERPRINTS OF ALL SUBPRCTS AND RESULTS WILL POLLOW.

RESULTS OF LABORATORY EXAMINATION SEPARATE.
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TO SAC MEMPHIS (44-1987)

FROM DIRECTOR FBI

UNSUB.; AKA. JOHN WILLARD; MARTIN LUTHER KING. JR..

VICTIM: CR.

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SERIAL NUMBER ON RIFLE BOX WHICH ORIGINALLY CONTAINED BROWNING RIFLE DETERMINED TO BE FOUR SEVEN FOUR FOUR Z FIVE.

BULLET FROM VICTIM IS POINT THIRTY CALIBER METAL-JACKETED SOFT POINT SPORTING TYPE BULLET OF REMINGTON -PETERSMANN ACTURE. BULLET IS IDENTIFIABLE IN ALL REMAINING PRYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS TO ONE FIVE ZERO GRAIN BULLETS IN-FIVE LOADED CALIBER POINT THIRTY - ZERO SIX ing**fi**eld**:** remington - peters cartridges in submitted

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BASED ON GENERAL RIFLING IMPRESSIONS, BULLET FROM VICTIM COULD HAVE BEEN FIRED FROM POINT THIRTY - ZERO SIX SPRINGFIELD CALIBER REMINGTON GAMEMASTER RIFLE, MODEL SEVEN SIX ZERO, SERIAL NUMBER FOUR SIX ONE FOUR SEVEN SIX.

DUE TO MUTILATION OF BULLET, INSUFFICIENT MARKS OF VALUE FOR IDENTIFICATION REMAINING AND NOT POSSIBLE TO DETERMINE WHETHER OR NOT BULLET FIRED FROM SUBMITTED REMINGTON RIFLE.

NO RECORD NSPI OR NCIC OF REMINGTON RIFLE; OF A
BROWNING POINT TWO FOUR THREE WINCHESTER CALIBER RIFLE,
SERIAL NUMBER FOUR SEVEN FOUR FOUR Z FIVE; OF A REDFIELD
TELESCOPIC SIGHT, SERIAL NUMBER A ONE SEVEN THREE FIVE ZERO;
OR BUSHNELL BINOCULAR, SERIAL NUMBER D Q FOUR ZERO EIGHT
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FINE SMEARS AND DEPOSITS OF SILTY SOIL FOUND ON
LARGE GREEN AND BROWN CLOTH SUITABLE FOR COMPARISON
PURPOSES. SPECIFIC ORIGIN OF SOIL CANNOT BE DETERMINED BY
LABORATORY EXAMINATION.

BROWN AND GREEN CLOTH FOUND WITH RIFLE IS BEDSPREAD

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RE: UNSUB.; AKA. JOHN WILLARD; MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., VICTIM; CR

MEASURING ONE ZERO SIX AND ONE-FOURTH INCHES BY EIGHT FIVE AND ONE FOURTH INCHES. BEDSPREAD COMPOSED OF SEVENTYFIVE PERCENT COTTON AND TWENTYFIVE PERCENT RAYON AND SIMILAR TO THOSE USED IN HOTELS AND MOTELS. NO MARKINGS FOUND TO INDICATE ITS SOURCE OR MANUFACTURER.

BROWN COTTON FIBERS, GREEN COTTON FIBERS AND
GREEN RAYON FIBERS LIKE THOSE COMPOSING BEDSPREAD FOUND ON
RIFLE AND IN DEBRIS FROM RIFLE BOX.

SUITCASE, BLUE IN COLOR, CONTAINED NUMEROUS

TOILET ITEMS, MAPS, PAPER BAGS AND OTHER ITEMS. TOILET ITEMS

ARE ALL COMMON BRANDS. OF INTEREST ARE TWO CANS OF SCHLITZ

BEER, EACH BEARING TAX STAMPS INDICATING THEY WERE PURCHASED

IN MISSISSIPPI. NEW PAIR OF BINOCULARS, CASE AND CARTON FOR

BINOCULARS FOUND IN SUITCASE. CARTON INDICATED BINOCULARS

SOLD FOR THIRTYNINE NINETYFIVE AND COMPUTED ON CARTON WAS

THIRTYNINE NINETYFIVE PLUS ONE SIXTY, TOTALING FORTYONE

FIFTYFIVE. A GRAY BAG OF YORK ARMS COMPANY, MEMPHIS, WITH

COST REGISTRY RECEIPT IN AMOUNT OF FORTYONE FIFTYFIVE INSIDE

INDICATES BINOCULARS PURCHASED AT YORK ARMS COMPANY HAVING

FOLEOWING THREE LOCATIONS IN MEMPHIS: DOWNTOWN - ONE SIX

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RE: UNSUB.; AKA. JOHN WILLARD; MARTIN LUTHER KING,

JR., VICTIM; CR

TWO SOUTH MAIN; EAST - POPULAR PLAZA AND SOUTH - WHITEHAVEN PLAZA.

NUMEROUS BROWN HEAD HAIRS OF CAUCASIAN ORIGIN
FOUND ON BEDSPREAD, TOWEL AND HAIRBRUSH FOUND IN SUITCASE
AND LOOSE IN SUITCASE. HAIRS SUITABLE FOR COMPARISONS.
NUMEROUS BROWN TO BLACK BEARD FRAGMENTS OF CAUCASIAN
FOUND ON TWO SAFETY RAZORS FROM SUITCASE WHICH ARE SUITABLE
FOR COMPARISONS.

NO NEGROID HAIRS FOUND.

TRADENAME "HOMESTEAD" ON LARGE PAPER BAG WHICH CONTAINED BEER REGISTERED TO GRAHAM PAPER COMPANY, ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI.

SMALL RADIO SUBMITTED BEARS SCRATCHES INTERPRETED
TO READ "T ZERO FOUR ONE FIVE" OR "T ZERO FOUR FOUR FIVE."
ANY SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS UNKNOWN. RADIO WILL BE RE-EXAMINED
AFTER LATENT EXAMINATION.

NO WRITING OR SIGNIFICANT INDENTED IMPRESSIONS ON OTHER BAGS. MAPS. NEWSPAPER AND BINOCULAR BOX.

LATENT RESULTS AND COMPLETE LABORATORY REPORT
BEING FURNISHED SEPARATELY.

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DIRECTOR AND MEMPHIS

FROM JACKSON (157-NEW)

ASSASSINATION OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. RACIAL MATTERS.

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Mr. Tolson

Mr. Mohr. Mr. Bishop.

Mr. Casper Mr. Callahan Mr. Conrad ...

Mr. DeLoach

RE MMTEL TO BUREAU APRIL FOUR LAST.

BOB MC GOWAN, (PROTECT), LOCATED INSTANT DATE, CLARKSDALE, MISS.

MC GOWAN AT APPROXIMATELY THREE PM APRIL THREE LAST STOPPED AT SERVICE STATION, NAME UNKNOWN, POSSIBLY A DX STATION, LOCATED SE CORNER HIGHWAY SIXTYONE AND BROOKS ROAD, MEMPHIS WHERE HE HAD HIS CAR GASED AND WASHED. MC GOWAN WAS DRIVING SIXTYEIGHT OLDS CUTLASS. WHITE VINYLE OVER DARK GREEN, FLA., LICENSE ONE ZERO DASH TWO SEVEN NINE ZERO SEVEN.

MC GOWAN SAID AT SERVICE STATION WERE TWO W/M ATTENDANTS. ONE W/M MECHANIC AND ONE N/M WHO WASHED HIS CAR.

WHILE IN SERVICE STATION, MC GOWAN HEARD ONE W/M ATTENDANT USE DESK TELEPHONE, NOT PAY PHONE MAKING CALL IN WHICH HE SAID "I HAVE DYNAMITE AND IT WOULD ONLY TAKE A FEW SPARKS CHURCH WHERE KING IS". MC GOWAN SAID INDIVIDUAL MAKING STATION UNIFORM, WAS W/M IN THIRTY'S, SIX FEET, ONE FIFTY TO ONE SIXTY POUNDS, BLACK HAIR, AND WAS DEFINITELY AFFLICTED, AS IF HE HAD P END PAGE ONE

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AS HIS HANDS AND HEAD SHAKE. MC GOWAN SAID THIS INDIVIDUAL, VERY NERVOUS MC GOWAN SAID NO NAMES MENTIONED IN TELEPHONE CONVERSATION.

MC GOWAN SAID AFTER PHONE CALL, SERVICE STATION ATTENDANT AND TWO OTHER W/M'S WHO WERE STANDING IN STATION WHILE CALL WAS MADE, LEFT ON FOOT FOR NEARBY COFFEE SHOP AND RETURNED TO SERVICE STATION SHORT TIME LATER CARRYING SANDWICHES AND COFFEE.

MC GOWAN SAID NEITHER OF THESE INDIVIDUALS WORKED AT SERVICE STATION. MC GOWAN DESCRIBED ONE AS W/M IN HIS TWENTY'S, YOUNGEST OF THE THREE, FIVE FEET EIGHT INCHES, ONE FORTY TO ONE FIFTY, BLACK HAIR, NEAT IN APPEARANCE, GOOD LOOKING, DRIVING SIXTYSIX WHITE MUSTANG, COUR WITH UNKNOWN TENN., LICENSE.

MC GOWAN DESCRIBED OTHER W/M AS IN HIS THIRTY'S, MEDIUM HEIGHT,
TWO HUNDRED FIFTY POUNDS, BLACK HAIR, CLEAN CUT, NICE LOOKING, DRIVING
RED DODGE PICKUP TRUCK WHICH HAD BOARDS ON SIDES AND BACK RESEMBLING
FARM TRUCK BEARING UNKNOWN TENN.. LICENSE.

MC GOWAN'S RELIABILITY UNKNOWN TO INTERVIEWING AGENTS. HOWEVER,
MC GOWAN ADVISES HAS BEEN SOURCE FOR MIAMI OFFICE, PRINCIPALLY
FORT LAUDERDALE, FLA., RA, FOR NUMBER OF YEARS, AND GIVES IMPRESSION
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THIS IS THE CASE INVOLVING THE MURDER OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., ON APRIL FOUR, LAST, IN MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE.

UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES SHOULD ANYONE BE TOLD THIS
INVESTIGATION IS IN CONNECTION WITH CAPTIONED MATTER.

IT HAS BEEN DETERMINED THAT A RIFLE ABANDONED NE SCENE OF CRIME WAS PURCHASED BY INDIVIDUAL USING THE NAME HARVEY LOWMEYER OR LOWMYER.

LOWMEYER OR LOWMYER IS GENERALLY DESCRIBED AS WHITE

MALE, THIRTYSIX YEARS OLD, FIVE FEET EIGHT INCHES TALL, ONE

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