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- / TWO EIGHT EIGHT AT MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA;
- / FOUR EIGHT TWO AT ODEN RIDGE, IN FALKVILLE, ALA. AREA;
- / EIGHT NINE NINE AT ASHFORD, HOUSTON COUNTY, ALABAMA.

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4:37PM URGENT 4-16-68 MMW

TO BUREAU, ST. LOUIS, AND MEMPHIS

FROM NEW ORLEANS 157-10673 1P

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RE ERIC STARVO GALT.

ON APRIL SIXTEEN, INSTANT MAURICE SCHREINER, MANAGER
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CONTACT MISSISSIPPI VALLEY BARGE LINE CO. TO DETERMINE IF
ANYONE NAMED ERIC STARVO GALT, HARVEY LOWMEYER, OF JOHN WILLARD
OR ANY VARIATION OF THESE SPELLINGS IS OR HAS BEEN EMPLOYED
BY THAT COMPANY.

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FROM NEW ORLEANS 157-10273 1P
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TO DIRECTOR (44-38861) BIRMINGHAM (44-1740) MEMPHIS (44-1987)

MB LITTLE ROCK AND KNOXVILLE
FROM SAN DIEGO (44-387) 4P

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ON APRIL THIRTEEN, SIXTY EIGHT, VICKIE FRANCES BURT,
EL CAJON, CALIFORNIA (PROTECT IDENTITY), TELEPHONICALLY
ADVISED THAT ON APRIL TWO, SIXTY EIGHT, SHE OVERHEARD A CONVERSATION
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TENNESSEE, CLAIMED HE HAD A CONTRACT FOR FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS
TO KILL KING AND THAT "IN TWO DAYS THAT BLACK SOB WILL BE DEAD".
THIS MALE INDIVIDUAL, WHOSE FIRST NAME BELIEVED TO BE BOB, IS
DESCRIBED:

WMA, FIVE ELEVEN, ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY FIVE TO EIGHTY POUNDS,
DARK BROWN, STRAIGHT, RECEDING HAIR, BLUE EYES, OWNS ~~241117~~ 17 1968.
CREAM COLORED AUTOMOBILE, MAKE UNKNOWN.

BURT ADVISED CONVERSATION ALSO HEARD BY BAR TENDER AT
VALLEY INN, EL CAJON, KNOWN TO HER AS "SARGE".

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BOYD YOUNG, AKA "SARGE", BAR TENDER, VALLEY INN, EL CAJON VERIFIED INFORMATION FURNISHED BY BURT. STATED INDIVIDUAL KNOWN AS BOB BRACKON (PH), A CUSTOMER, WHOSE WIFE RESIDES AT SUNRISE TRAILER COURT, EL CAJON, WAS IN VALLEY INN BAR ON APRIL TWO, SIXTY EIGHT AND DURING COURSE OF CONVERSATION, DISCUSSION OF RACIAL ISSUE CAME UP. BRACKON (PH), STATED "I HAVE A FIVE THOUSAND CONTRACT TO KILL KING, I DON'T NEED ANY HELP, AND IN TWO DAYS I AM GOING TO KILL KING". SHORT TIME LATER HE ADVISED YOUNG HE WAS GOING TO MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE.

BRACKON (PH) HAD A SUITCASE WITH HIM AND DEPARTED WITH ANOTHER CUSTOMER, AL (LNU), BUT WHOM YOUNG CANNOT FURTHER IDENTIFY, AFTER HAVING ASKED AL (LNU) TO TAKE HIM TO THE RAILROAD STATION.

INGEBORG KATARINA BRACKEN, SUNRISE TRAILER COURT, EL CAJON, CALIFORNIA, WIFE OF ROBERT BENJAMIN BRACKEN, ADVISED SHE AND HER HUSBAND ARE ESTRANGED DUE TO MENTAL ILLNESS ON PART OF HUSBAND. MENTAL ILLNESS BEGAN IN NINETEEN SIXTY FOUR WHEN HE WAS PLACED IN A U.S. NAVAL MENTAL HOSPITAL IN PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA. HE WAS IN HOSPITAL PERIOD OF FIVE MONTHS. IN NINETEEN SIXTY FIVE, HUSBAND RETURNED TO ACTIVE DUTY U.S. NAVY ABOARD USS SARATOGA. THREE MONTHS LATER HAD ANOTHER BREAKDOWN AND PLACED IN HOSPITAL IN GERMANY, AND SUBSEQUENTLY RELEASED SAME YEAR, FROM US NAVAL HOSPITAL, LARGO, FLORIDA.

DURING AUGUST, SIXTY SEVEN, THEY SEPARATED AND HUSBAND WENT TO LEAD HILL, ARKANSAS AND STAYED WITH A FRIEND NAMED WAYNE RYAN, DESCRIBED BY MRS. BRACKEN AS A PERSON HAVING MENTAL ILLNESS

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HISTORY. BRACKEN RETURNED TO EL CAJON FEBRUARY, NINETEEN SIXTY EIGHT AND LAST HEARD FROM HUSBAND, TELEPHONICALLY; FROM SAN DIEGO, MARCH THIRTY LAST, AND STATED WAS GOING TO GO TO LEAD HILL, ARKANSAS AND STAY WITH WAYNE RYAN.

MRS. BRACKEN DISPLAYED A COPY OF DD TWO ONE FOUR (SEPARATION FROM SERVICE) ISSUED TO BRACKEN AND FOLLOWING INFORMATION OBTAINED:

NAME ROBERT BENJAMIN BRACKEN, RATE CS ONE (E-SIX), NSN NINE THREE ZERO ZERO SIX THREE NINE, DOB [REDACTED] SEVENTY TWO INCHES TALL, TWO HUNDRED FORTY POUNDS, BROWN HAIR, BROWN EYES. DD TWO ONE FOUR ALSO HAD ADDRESS OF DECEASED MOTHER, NAME NOT SHOWN, NINE THREE ZERO HOPKINS STREET, JOHNSON CITY, TENNESSEE, AND FORMER ADDRESS OF MRS. BRACKEN AND HER HUSBAND, THREE SIX FIVE ZERO DEBBY DRIVE, MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE.

BRACKEN HAS FOLLOWING FRIENDS AT JOHNSON CITY, TENNESSEE, JAMES F. GODSEY, TWO ONE ZERO FIVE EAST UNEKA AVENUE, AND GARRETT WILCOX, RT THREE, JOHNSON CITY, TENNESSEE.

BUREAU REQUESTED TO COMPARE FINGERPRINTS OF ROBERT BENJAMIN BRACKEN, NSN NINE THREE ZERO ZERO SIX THREE NINE, WITH ANY LATENT PRINTS DEVELOPED IN THIS CASE.

LITTLE ROCK, CONDUCT APPROPRIATE INVESTIGATION AT LEAD HILL, ARKANSAS AT RESIDENCE OF WAYNE RYAN TO LOCATE AND INTERVIEW SUBJECT. WILL ALSO FURNISH BUREAU BACKGROUND INFORMATION RE WILLIAM RYAN SO THAT IDENTIFICATION RECORD CAN BE LOCATED TO COMPARE HIS FINGER PRINTS WITH ANY LATENT PRINTS DEVELOPED IN

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CC MR. TROTTER

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TO DIRECTOR 44-38861 AND MEMPHIS 44-1987

FROM HOUSTON 44-1509

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Transmit the following in _____
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JH
TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
FROM: SAC, SACRAMENTO (100-427) (P)
RE: MURKIN
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Re Atlanta teletype to Director, 4/13/68, and
Sacramento teletype to Director, 4/13/68.

Re Department of Motor Vehicles check concerning
JOHN DOUGLAS GALT, born [REDACTED]

Enclosed herewith for Atlanta is copy of JOHN
DOUGLAS GALT's driver's license number R87685 with
photograph; copy of his application for driver's license
with right thumb print; complete driving record, including
all abstracts of traffic violations, convictions and legal
action taken by California State Department of Motor
Vehicles. e

Sacramento is retaining no copies.

C. C. - Bishop

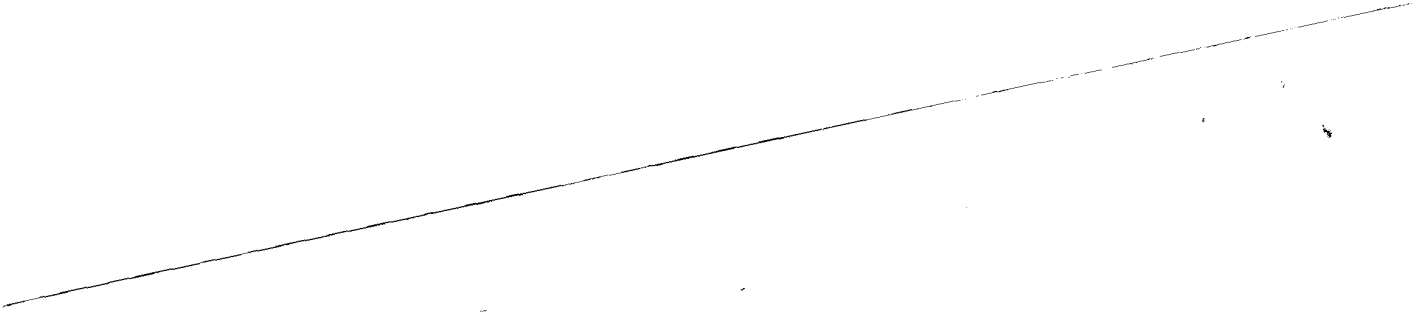
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1 - Mr. McGowan, 2712
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1 - Mr. Mortimer 4/16/68

Airtel

To: SACs Memphis (44-1987) (Enclosures 2)
Atlanta (44-2386) (Enclosures 2)
Los Angeles (44-1574) (Enclosures 2)

From: Director, FBI (44-38861)

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ReButel 4/16/68 setting forth descriptions of maps located in Galt's storage room at 113 14th Street, Atlanta, Georgia. Retel advised that photographic copies of the markings on the maps described in retel would be furnished.

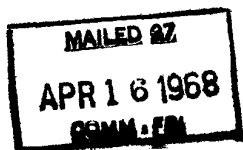
Two copies of Los Angeles area maps enclosed to Los Angeles with one information copy to Memphis and Atlanta.

Two copies of Atlanta map enclosed for Atlanta with one information copy for Memphis.

Enclosures being furnished for possible investigative assistance.

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Airmail

To: SAC, Miami (44-1884)

From: Director, FBI (44-38861)

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Re Miami airtel 4-9-68, submitting envelope and handwritten message, Q 87 and Q 88.

No latent prints developed on specimens.

Laboratory report and disposition of specimens separate.

Unidentified latent fingerprints this case are not identical fingerprints of following persons, one of whom maybe identical with named suspect;
Samuel Thomas Nash, Jr., born [redacted], Birmingham, Alabama.
Shaffer Thomas Nash, FBI #667 489 C.

2- SAC, Memphis (44-1987)
1- SAC, Atlanta (44-2386)

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101 South Washington
Hobart, Indiana
April 10, 1968

The Honorable Ray J. Madden
House Office Bldg
Washington, D. C.

Dear Congressman Madden,

My first reaction to the recent occurrence in Memphis was that the heat of controversy caused some misguided individual to commit a criminal act. Subsequently the press has reported that Dr King was shot in the back of the neck. Some TV views seem to confirm this. Yet other reports indicate the shot was fired from across the street. Apparently this event has already affected the lives and property of many Americans and is influencing your deliberations in Congress. In light of this shouldnt a Congressional Committee have public hearings on the matter? One question which ~~should~~ be answered: Is or isn't there a bullet hole at neck level in the wall of that motel in Memphis?

Yours truly
Rodney K. Potter

Rodney K. Potter
101 South Washington St.
Hobart, Indiana 46342

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101 South Washington
Hobart, Indiana
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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, U.S.
WASHINGTON, D.C.

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SIR:

The attached communication is submitted for your consideration, and to ask that the request made therein be complied with, if possible.

If you will advise me of your action in this matter and have the letter returned to me with your reply, I will appreciate it.

Very truly yours,

M. C. [Signature]

M.C.

FIRST INDIANA-----District.

4/16/68

PLAINTEXT

TELETYPE

URGENT

1 - Mr. Hudson
1 - Mr. Trimbach

TO: SACS, SAN FRANCISCO
MEMPHIS

FROM: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
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RESFTEL FEBRUARY TWENTYSEVEN, SIXTYEIGHT, AND SF LETTER
LHM APRIL TWELVE, SIXTYEIGHT, NO COPY FOR MEMPHIS.
FILE ONE SEVEN FIVE DASH ONE ONE NINE, CAPTIONED,
OLD EDWARDS NICHOLS, AKA.; THREAT AGAINST THE PRESIDENT
OF THE UNITED STATES."

FOR INFORMATION OF MEMPHIS, LARRY MATTHEW MC GRATH,
A BARTENDER IN SAN LEANDRO, CALIFORNIA, ADVISED ON
FEBRUARY TWENTYSEVEN, SIXTYEIGHT, THAT NICHOLS REVEALED HE
HAD COMPILED A LIST OF ELEVEN PERSONS THAT HE WISHED KILLED
THROUGH ASSASSINATION. NICHOLS OFFERED TO FURNISH MC GRATH
AIRLINE TICKETS AND UNTRACEABLE WEAPON NOT DESCRIBED BUT
BELIEVED TO BE A RIFLE OR EXPLOSIVES IF HE WOULD TRAVEL TO
AN APPROPRIATE PLACE WHICH WAS NOT REVEALED TO KILL ONE OF
THE PERSONS ON THE LIST. THAT NAME WAS NOT REVEALED TO
MC GRATH. ALTHOUGH MC GRATH DID NOT RECALL ALL NAMES ON
LIST IT DID INCLUDE MARTIN LUTHER KING.

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APR 19 1968

I - Mr. Hudson
I - Mr. Trumbach

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TELETYPE TO SACS SAN FRANCISCO
MEMPHIS

RE: MURKIN

NICHOLS SHOULD BE CONSIDERED AS A SUSPECT OR CO-CONSPIRATOR
IN INSTANT CASE. SAN FRANCISCO IMMEDIATELY CONDUCT INVESTIGATION
TO ELIMINATE OR ESTABLISH NICHOLS INVOLVEMENT.

NICHOLS DESCRIBED AS WHITE MALE, AMERICAN, FORTYFIVE
YEARS OF AGE (HOWEVER HE INDICATED HE WAS BORN [REDACTED]
[REDACTED], ABERDEEN, WASHINGTON), FIVE FEET TEN INCHES,
ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY POUNDS, REDDISH BROWN HAIR, HAZEL EYES.

COPY OF SAN FRANCISCO TELETYPE OF FEBRUARY TWENTYSEVEN,
SIXTYEIGHT AND LHM OF APRIL TWELVE, SIXTYEIGHT, BEING FURNISHED
MEMPHIS SEPARATELY.

April 16, 1968

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44-38861-1044

Honorable Ray J. Madden
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C. 20515

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RE mckm
FOR REVIEW AT FBIHQ AND FOR DELIVERY
TO HQA RE REQUEST DATED 5-3-78
(SEE BUFILE 62-117290)

My dear Congressman:

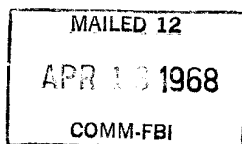
I have received your communication of April 13th,
enclosing a letter to you from Mr. Rodney K. Potter.

You may wish to advise your constituent that at the
specific request of the Attorney General, the FBI has instituted an
investigation into the circumstances surrounding the slaying of
Martin Luther King. I can assure you this inquiry is being con-
ducted in a most thorough and expeditious manner. While I would
very much like to be of assistance to Mr. Potter, information in
our files must be maintained as confidential pursuant to regulations
of the Department of Justice.

I am returning your enclosure as you requested.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover



Enclosure

1 - Mr. Rosen - Enclosure

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NOTE: Bufiles indicate we have maintained cordial relations with
Congressman Madden. Rodney K. Potter cannot be identified in Bufiles.

WMG:dkw
(6) *dkw*
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TO DIRECTOR
FROM SAC, NEW YORK
SUBJECT: [illegible]
RE: [illegible]
[illegible text follows]

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Date: 4/11/68

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Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTEL _____
(Priority)TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
Attention: IDENTIFICATION DIVISION

FROM: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987) (P)

SUBJECT: MURKIN
CR

OO: ME Re Memphis airtel to Bureau, 4/8/68.

A review of the Klan files in the Memphis Division reveals the following to be a list of names of persons who have been reported to be associated with the Ku Klux Klan.

The Identification Division is requested to compare fingerprint cards on names submitted with any latents obtained in captioned case.

Name	JOHN DAVID ACUFF
ME file	157-710
Race	White
Sex	Male
DOB	
Only known SN	USMC SN 1547947
FBI #	71086F

Name	ROBERT PITTMAN GENTRY
ME file	157-648
Race	White
Sex	Male
DOB	
FBI #	807162

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Teletype _____

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-100000) (P)
SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

RE: NEW YORK TELETYPE TO BUREAU, 4/11/69.
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-100000) (P)

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-100000) (P)

SUBJECT: [REDACTED] (100-100000) (P)

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RE: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-100000) (P)

ME 44-1987

Name EMMETT HENDERSON RUCKER
ME file 157-642
Race White
Sex Male
DOB [REDACTED]
Only known SN Army SN 34379392

Name DAVID ERBY MC CALEB
ME file 157-638
Race White
Sex Male
DOB [REDACTED]
FBI # 108236C

Name MARSHALL PEARCE BAILEY
Race White
Sex Male
DOB [REDACTED]
Only known SN Army SN 01880700

Name LEE BAILEY MARTIN
ME file 157-866
Race White
Sex Male
DOB [REDACTED]
FBI # 716 634 D

Name JAMES ALBERT PEDIGO
ME file 157-864
Race White
Sex Male
DOB [REDACTED]
FBI # 460622
Washington PD # 24736

Name THOMAS E. PATTERSON
ME file 157-863
Race White
Sex Male
DOB [REDACTED]
Ft. Pillow, Tennessee,
State Farm # 47206

ME 44-1987

Name	LEON HOLMAN
ME file	157-605
Race	White
Sex	Male
DOB	<input type="text"/>
Only known SN	Army SN 25292958

Name	ROBERT MELVIN KELLY
ME file	157-859
Race	White
Sex	Male
DOB	<input type="text"/>
Only known SN	U. S. Army Engineers during World War II, Marine SN 34426604

Name	WILLIAM EDWARD HOUCHINS
ME file	157-91
Race	White
Sex	Male
DOB	<input type="text"/>
Only known SN	Marine SN 1295590

Name	HARVEY DWIGHT BRIDGES
ME file	157-831
Race	White
Sex	Male
DOB	<input type="text"/>
Only known SN	Navy SN 6880271

Name	EVERSON FERRELL AUTRY
ME file	157-826
Race	White
Sex	Male
DOB	<input type="text"/>
Only known SN	Army Air Corps SN 34476447

Name	JOHN BASCOLM MAYFIELD
ME file	157-700
Race	White
Sex	Male
DOB	<input type="text"/>
Only known SN	Army SN ER53061802

ME 44-1987

Name	VERNON DOYLE ELLINGTON
ME file	157-701
Race	White
Sex	Male
DOB	
Only known SN	Army Reserve SN ER14742113

Name	JOHNNY W. JONES
ME file	170-204
Race	White
Sex	Male
Birth date	Unknown
Only known SN	Navy SN 7758760

Name	LESLIE LLOYD HASH
ME file	157-740
Race	White
Sex	Male
DOB	
FBI #	903716A

Name	BILLY RAYMOND MORPHIS
ME file	157-738
Race	White
Sex	Male
DOB	
Only known SN	Army National Guard SN NG25364039

Name	ROBERT EDWARD LEE MC CAMPBELL
ME file	157-796
Race	White
Sex	Male
DOB	
Only known SN	Air Force SN 14575853

Name	CARL STANLEY GODWIN
ME file	157-795
Race	White
Sex	Male
DOB	
Only known SN	Army SN RA14749001
Shelby County, Memphis, Tenn., SO#	33347

ME 44-1987

Name	WILLIAM A. ADCOCK
ME file	157-776
Race	White
Sex	Male
DOB	[REDACTED]
Only known SN	Army SN 36928740

Name	JAMES ROBERT HOWARD, JR.
ME file	157-772
Race	White
Sex	Male
DOB	[REDACTED]
FBI #	348279E

Name	WILLIAM GARFIELD SNOW, JR.
ME file	157-771
Race	White
Sex	Male
DOB	[REDACTED]
Only known SN	Army SN 34732794

Name	RAYMOND ADAMS
ME file	157-771
DOB	[REDACTED]
Race	White
Sex	Male
Only known SN	Army SN 24906537

Name	EDWARD LEE HOUSLEY
ME file	157-768
Race	White
Sex	Male
DOB	[REDACTED]
Only known SN	Army SN 14211758

Name	GEORGE HOWELL, JR.
ME file	157-265
Race	White
Sex	Male
DOB	Not known
Only known SN	Army SN RA53305195

ME 44-1987

Name	DONALD WILLIAM BRANCH
ME file	157-212
Race	White
Sex	Male
DOB	
FBI #	1083956
Name	WILLIAM J. SIMMONS
ME file	157-237
Race	White
Sex	Male
DOB	
Only known SN	Navy Reserve 6445261
Name	DARRELL CROOK
Race	White
Sex	Male
DOB	
ME file	157-164
Only known SN	Army SN 53243556
Name	KENNETH LEE WHEELER
ME file	157-714
Race	White
Sex	Male
DOB	
Only known SN	Army SN RA44061240
Name	EMMETT L. BAKER
ME 157-711	
DOB	
Race	White
Sex	Male
Only known SN	Marine SN 1012408
Name	VICTOR EDWARD JENNINGS
ME file	157-726
Race	White
Sex	Male
DOB	
Dyersburg, Tenn. PD #	8066

ME 44-1897

Name JAMES ANDREW MAULDIN
ME file 157-725
Race White
Sex Male
DOB [REDACTED]
Chicago, Illinois,
County Jail # 202139
Only known SN Army SN 34936979

Name BOBBY RAY MC BROOM
ME file 157-805
Race White
Sex Male
DOB [REDACTED]
Nashville, Tennessee,
State Prison # 45055
Dyersburg, Tennessee,
PD # F9799

Name JAMES EDWARD BROWN, SR.
ME file 157-802
Race White
Sex Male
DOB [REDACTED]
Only known SN Army SN 34913711

Name EDWARD LINDSAY HUGHES
ME file 157-76
Race White
Sex Male
DOB [REDACTED]
Only known SN Navy SN 3481597

Name WELDON HERBERT ADAMS
ME file 157-735
Race White
Sex Male
DOB [REDACTED]
Tennessee Bureau of Criminal
Identification # 125889
Fingerprint 11 S 9 U T-A
Classification S 2 A T-A

ME 44-1987

Name	WILLIAM EDMOND MILLER
ME file	157-719
Race	White
Sex	Male
DOB	<input type="text"/>
FBI #	842801 A.

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Date: 4/9/68

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(Priority)

TO: BUREAU (AIR MAIL)
MEMPHIS

FROM: JACKSONVILLE (44-769) (P)

MURKIN, CR. (OO:ME)

RE JACKSON TEL TO JACKSONVILLE, APRIL EIGHT, LAST;
SAVANNAH TEL TO JACKSONVILLE, APRIL EIGHT, LAST.

RE: BYRON DE LA BECKWITH, AKA

AARON C. ANDREWS AND ROBERT GRUBBS, PERRY TRUCK
AND TRACTOR COMPANY, PERRY, FLORIDA, ADVISED INDIVIDUAL,
NAME UNKNOWN, BUT ANSWERING DESCRIPTION OF BECKWITH,
REPRESENTING BARRENTINE MANUFACTURING COMPANY, INCORPORATED,
CONTACTED THEM FOUR TO SIX P.M., APRIL FOUR, LAST, AND
LEFT LITERATURE. ANDREWS ALSO SAW BECKWITH FOLLOWING
MORNING.

MRS. JAMES SUTHERLAND, PINE MOTEL, PERRY, FLORIDA,
VERIFIED BECKWITH REGISTERED FIVE THIRTY P.M., APRIL
FOUR, LAST, AND LEFT SEVEN THIRTY A.M., APRIL FIVE, LAST.

1 - Jackson (AM)
1 - Savannah (AM)

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Approved: RE/Mmt
Special Agent in Charge

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RE: HAYES HENDRICKS HUNT

SUSPECT HAYES HUNT INTERVIEWED JACKSONVILLE, APRIL EIGHT, LAST. HAYES, WM, BORN [REDACTED], MELBOURNE, FLORIDA, FIVE FEET, TEN AND ONE HALF INCHES, ONE THIRTY FIVE TO ONE FORTY POUNDS, BROWN GREENISH EYES, BROWN REDDISH HAIR, RECEDING AND ALMOST BALD ON TOP, SERVED U. S. NAVY, FORTY SEVEN TO FORTY NINE, NAVY SERIAL NUMBER FIVE FIVE SEVEN FIVE TWO ONE ONE, HONORABLE DISCHARGE. SUSPECT RESIDING BOX ONE ONE FIVE CALLAHAN, FLORIDA, AND EMPLOYED BY BROTHER, CECIL HUNT, AT HUNT'S GULF SERVICE, SIX ZERO ONE FIVE, NORWOOD, JACKSONVILLE, FOR PAST THREE WEEKS. SUSPECT DRIVES SIXTY FIVE SPORTS FURY CONVERTIBLE, BLUE OVER WHITE, FLORIDA LICENSE TWO W SIX SEVEN ZERO EIGHT THREE. PRIOR EMPLOYMENT, TOWN AND COUNTRY MOTORS, LIVE OAK, FLORIDA. SUSPECT'S BROTHER, CECIL, VERIFIED SUSPECTS EMPLOYMENT. NO EMPLOYMENT RECORDS AVAILABLE. SAM SUMMEY, SAM'S GARAGE, ONE NINE FOUR FOUR TOURIST, JACKSONVILLE, HAS BEEN ACQUAINTED WITH SUSPECT SINCE NINE TEEN SIXTY, AND HAS NOTICED SUSPECT'S CAR PARKED AT HUNT'S GULF SERVICE, DAILY, DURING THE PAST WEEK.

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**SUMMEY HAD LUNCH IN RESTAURANT WITH SUSPECT ON APRIL
FOUR, LAST, AND LATER THAT AFTERNOON SUSPECT WAS AT
HIS GARAGE FOR SEVERAL HOURS USING MACHINE SHOP.**

JACKSON AND SAVANNAH ADVISED AIR MAIL.

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4/16/68

Airtel

To: SAC, Memphis (44-1987)

From: Director, FBI (44-38861) — 1046

MURKIN

EX-105 REC-20

Re your airtel of 4/11/68.

On basis of information furnished in referenced airtel, no fingerprint records could be located for Leon Holman, Robert Melvin Kelly, Vernon Doyle Ellington, William A. Adcock, Raymond Adams, and Emmett L. Baker.

The remaining unidentified latent fingerprints and the latent impression in this case are not identical with the fingerprints of William James Simmons, born [redacted], in Utica, Mississippi; Donald William Branch, born [redacted], in Miami, Florida, FBI #162792E (not FBI #1083956 as quoted in urairtel) or with the fingerprints of the other individuals mentioned in referenced airtel. In addition, the unidentified latent fingerprints and the latent impression are not identical with the fingerprints of James H. Heathley, born [redacted], in Hamilton County, Tennessee, FBI #1083956. (This number was quoted in urairtel as FBI number for suspect Donald William Branch.) No palm prints are available in our Identification Division files for these individuals.

The above-described William James Simmons, may or may not be the same as the William J. Simmons mentioned in referenced airtel.

1 - Mr. Rosen

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Date: 4/10/68

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TO DIRECTOR (AIR MAIL) AND

MEMPHIS

ST. LOUIS

FROM INDIANAPOLIS (44-563)

REBUTEL TO INDIANAPOLIS AND ST. LOUIS APR. NINE LAST.

ON APR. TEN INSTANT, LTC RICHARD E. COOLEY, U. S. ARMY
PERSONNEL SERVICES SUPPORT CENTER, FT. BENJAMIN HARRISON, IND.,
ADVISED SA KENNETH E. MORRIS THE TWO ZERO ONE PERSONNEL FILE
FOR DONNIE LEON HARDIN, ASN RA TWO FOUR FIVE FIVE THREE TWO SIX
EIGHT, WAS TRANSFERRED TO U. S. ARMY ADMINISTRATION CENTER,
ST. LOUIS, MO. ON JUNE TWO TWO, SIXTYFIVE. REFERENCED TEL HAS
SET OUT LEAD FOR ST. LOUIS TO REVIEW THIS FILE.

① - Bureau (Air Mail)

1 - Indianapolis
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TO - DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM - MEMPHIS (44-1987)

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI (44-1987)

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Date: 4/11/68

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

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM: SAC, WFO (44-703) (P)

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MURKIN
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ReBA teletype, 4/10/68, and WFO telephone call
to BA (Silver Spring RA), 4/11/68.

Re: EDGAR FRANKLIN JOHNSTON - Bombing Suspect.

Inquiries at National Broadcasting Company
Studio, 4001 Nebraska Avenue, Northwest, on 4/11/68,
determined JOHNSTON not at employment this date.

LEADBALTIMORE

AT BALTIMORE, MARYLAND. Attempt to determine
whereabouts of JOHNSTON during pertinent period by
neighborhood investigation or other sources.

Above confirming the WFO call to Baltimore.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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- 3- Bureau (44-38861) *cc 2258*
- 2- Baltimore (44-669)
- 1- WFO

RWD:bdc

(6) AIRTEL C. C. = Bishop

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Special Agent in Charge

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3- BUREAU (44-38861)

U.S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION

APR 11 1968

URGENT CONFIRMING THE AEO CALL TO BUREAU.

Investigation of other sources.
Investigation of TONINGTON during his recent period of
W. B. TONINGTON, WASHINGTON. Attempt to determine

WASHINGTON

FIELD

determined TONINGTON not at employment this date.
Also, foot message received, Washington, on 4/11/68,
indicates at National Broadcasting Company

Re: WOLFE WASHINGTON TONINGTON - possible subject.

to B (44-38861) 4/11/68.
Re: teletype, 4/10/68, and AEO telephone call

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FROM: SAC, AEO (44-103) (P)
TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

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4/11/68

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Date: 4/4/68

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(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
ATTN: FBI LABORATORY

FROM: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987) P

UNSUB; Aka. John Willard;
MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. - VICTIM
CIVIL RIGHTS

OO: MEMPHIS SEE NOTE ON REVERSE SIDE

Submitted herewith is black box with caption "Browning Shotguns, Rifles, Pistols, Mauser Rifle" appearing on top of box. At end of box appears label bearing Number 130712 with marking "Caliber 243W." Further descriptive data on this label discloses it is Browning high-powered rifle, 22" barrel, light with sights, grade Safari, and SN 444915. Possibility exists that number may read "4X44Z5."

Inside box is Remington Gamemaster rifle, Model 760. Number appearing on rifle is 461476. Rifle bears Redfield Tube Sight 2X7X. In addition, box contains clip which was removed from weapon by SA O. V. JOHNSON. Also contained in box is shell casing which was removed from weapon by SA O. V. JOHNSON and SAC R. G. JENSEN. Also in box is package of Peters high velocity center fire cartridges; nine cartridges in case, eleven empty slots.

This material recovered by Inspector N. E. ZACHARY (NA), Memphis Police Department, in area immediately in front of 424 South Main Street. This is location Canipe Amusement Co. Box in which rifle contained was partially obscured and covered by blanket of green herringbone type material. This blanket also recovered by Inspector ZACHARY. It is noted blanket has some mud stains thereon. Inspector ZACHARY advised blanket is not property of rooming house at which UNSUB stayed.

3 BUREAU (Enc.)
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Special Agent in Charge

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M. L. F.

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COPIES MADE DATE 5-4-78 BY

RE: *mlm*

FOR REVIEW AT PERIOD ADVISE DELIVERY

TO HSCA RE REQUEST DATED 5-3-78

(SEE BUFILE 62-117290)

ME 44-1987

REQUEST OF LABORATORY

Laboratory requested to examine all possible places on rifle, scope, cartridges, and box for possible evidence of fingerprints.

In connection with enclosed blanket, Laboratory requested to submit to soil examination since evidence of soil appears thereon. Also determine, if possible, nature of composition of blanket, as to whether it is synthetic or animal fiber. If possible, determine percentage of content, if it is a mixed type composition, cotton fiber, woolen fiber, or synthetic fiber. Also advise if possible any knowledge available to Laboratory as to possible manufacturer of blanket. Any other appropriate examination in connection with this blanket should be conducted by the Laboratory.