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To The President of
The United States
Mr L.B. Johnson
Washington D.C.

Attention: Mr President



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To the President of the United States
Mr L. B. Johnson
Washington, D.C.

Mr. President

I have never written the president before, but I think its time for someone to now! I would like to call to your attention a very serious problem that is facing our wonderful country, while we sit by idle and let it happen. How can you speak of America being a "strong nation" and let a "dangerous" and "barge" man like "Martin Luther King" go around destroying cities and property, causing death and flood and every where he appears???????????????? Of course his tongue speaks great swelling words of vanity while his heart is full of lies. Yet you can't come up with a law that can stop such a "violent" creature? What is wrong with this great so called "strong" nation of ours. Could it be how that "black" holds - preminence over "white"?

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2. What has this man done to cast such a "spell" and covering over the eyes of the officials who govern our country? When all his followers, including "Adam Satan Powell" has boasted openly of "Black power" and their intentions to overcome the Government from within. This is the way the Communists will win.

Can't the Leader of our country see through this?

Consider, Mr President, the Damage done in Memphis alone, not to mention Detroit and other like places this "evil" man has visited. What has our Visit from him (King) cost the City of Memphis? The State of Tennessee as well as the Federal Government? Of which we the innocent public will have to pay for.

Why shouldn't he ~~for~~ and his followers pay for all this damage. Since it's evident he caused it all?

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3. Is it not evident to our leaders yet that this man is evidently "stirring" the black race up in his so called "non violent" March speeches? Who was the Dummy who gave him the Nobel Peace Prize? For what peace?? ~~When and where~~ did he bring "peace"?

Death and destruction follows every where he marches, yet he never stays around long enough to get in on the bloodshed.

Someone will kill this man soon when everyone gets enough and I say the sooner the better!
You can't even win the "war" at home much less abroad. Please Mr. President do something about this "peace breaker" I beg of you before its too late to save our country. Innocent people are suffering because of this "wolf in sheep's clothing". God Bless you.
A Memphis Resident.

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Date: 4/29/68

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
 FROM: SAC, ST. LOUIS (44-775) P
 RE: MURKIN
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Re KC tels to Bureau and ME, 4/23/68 and 4/24/68.

Enclosed for investigative assistance of SI is
 copies of retels.

RE: INTERVIEW OF BROTHERS CARL BENTON AND JAMES
 FRANCIS DRAKE.

CARL DRAKE, a self-employed contractor, 2934 St. Vincent, St. Louis, Mo., home phone PR 6-3540, was located and interviewed by SA WALTER C. JOHNSON on 4/29/68, and stated while an inmate of the Missouri State Penitentiary (MSP), he became acquainted with JAMES EARL RAY who was incarcerated in either 1960 or 1961, and subsequently became close friends until DRAKE's release in June 1965. Their main association was while they both walked together in the prison yard and DRAKE feels he became as close a friend to RAY as anyone at the prison. He described RAY as "a loner, close-mouthed" who kept his own council and did not even consult him prior to RAY's unsuccessful attempt to go over the wall by the use of a ladder. RAY had very few friends, however, he mixed well with other inmates, both black and white, and had never showed any propensity for violence or appeared to be a racist.

3 - Bureau
 2 - Springfield (Encl-2)
 2 - Memphis
 1 - St. Louis
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C. E. Bishop

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1 - Mr. Tolson
 1 - Mr. Boardman
 1 - Mr. Nichols
 1 - Mr. Belmont
 1 - Mr. Ladd
 1 - Mr. Clegg
 1 - Mr. Glavin
 1 - Mr. Harbo
 1 - Mr. Rosen
 1 - Mr. Tracy
 1 - Mr. Egan
 1 - Mr. Gurnea
 1 - Mr. Hendon
 1 - Mr. Pennington
 1 - Mr. Quinn
 1 - Mr. Nease
 1 - Miss Gandy

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RE: LAMBERTA DE MONTEZ? CASE NUMBER 44-3716.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-344335)

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DRAKE pointed out there were several instances of racial trouble at the penitentiary but RAY never seemed involved or expressed his feelings in the matter.

RAY often mentioned that he could not do his 20-year sentence but never indicated any escape plans or any contacts with outside individuals. RAY's brother, JACK RAY, from St. Louis, Mo., was the only member of the family he mentioned and believed JACK averaged visiting RAY about once a year at the penitentiary. He vaguely recalled RAY mentioning he had another brother killed in an auto accident. He did not discuss his general background other than mentioning on several occasions he had previously done time at Menard Prison, Chester, Illinois.

RAY was not addicted to use of drugs, however, DRAKE said nearly all inmates "fooled around" with anything they could get their hands on. DRAKE said about two weeks after his release in June 1965, he visited JACK RAY upon the request of JIMMY, and that was the last time he saw JACK. Their conversation concerned primarily JIM's welfare at the MSP.

DRAKE had not heard of JIM's escape and presumed he was still in prison until the recent publicity.

DRAKE regards RAY as a small-time robber mentally incapable of planning the assassination of Doctor MARTIN LUTHER KING without additional intelligent guidance from some other source. He believes RAY may be capable of being hired for this but would certainly not be alone in this matter. He is also of the opinion that whoever hired RAY, that person or group, has disposed of RAY. He commented that with the "heat" on RAY and rewards advertised, it would be extremely difficult for a fellow like RAY to hide.

CARL DRAKE indicated that he would cooperate in any way he could with the FBI in the event any information came to his attention re the whereabouts of JAMES EARL RAY.

CARL DRAKE said his brother, JAMES FRANCIS DRAKE was also an inmate at the MSP and was acquainted with RAY in a similar manner. All three formerly walked the yard together and that was JAMES DRAKE's main association with JAMES RAY. JAMES FRANCIS DRAKE was released two years before CARL and later served time at Terre Haute Federal Prison, and was released in November 1967. CARL said his brother, JAMES, resides with his mother, OLA DRAKE, at Modesta, Ill., and is currently employed at the Valley Steel Co., Jacksonville, Ill.

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THE SPRINGFIELD OFFICE:

AT MODESTA, ILL.:

Locate and interview JAMES FRANCIS DRAKE for any background information he may have re JAMES EARL RAY.

Subject armed & dangerous

April 29, 1968

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TO SAC ATLANTA

FROM DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

MURKIN

1 - Mr. McDonough
1 - Mr. Boyd

IN A REVIEW OF THE MAIN FILE ON KING AT THE BUREAU, IT WAS NOTED SEVERAL THREATS HAVE BEEN MADE IN THE PAST ATTRIBUTABLE TO THE KLAN IN GEORGIA AND ALABAMA.

IT WAS REPORTED THAT AT A NATIONAL MEETING OF THE KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC., IN ANNISTON, ALABAMA, ON JULY EIGHT, NINETEEN SIXTYONE, BOTH EARL GEORGE AND JAMES VENABLE, OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA, ADVOCATED THE KILLING OF KING. ON OCTOBER EIGHT, NINETEEN SIXTYFOUR, AN INFORMANT REPORTED THAT AT A PUBLIC CROSSBURNING, JAMES VENABLE STATED IT WOULD BE A GOOD IDEA IF SOMEONE DID AWAY WITH KING (SEE YOUR FILE ONE ZERO FIVE DASH SEVEN SEVEN THREE). IT WAS FURTHER REPORTED THAT ON FEBRUARY EIGHT, NINETEEN SIXTYFIVE, VENABLE AND OTHER LEADERS ALLEGEDLY PLANNED TO ASSASSINATE KING AND J. B. STONER WAS ALSO IMPLICATED.

ALTHOUGH SUBJECT RAY HAS BEEN IDENTIFIED AS THE ASSAILANT,

YOU SHOULD CONDUCT INVESTIGATION TO DETERMINE IF ANY OF THE ABOVE MIGHT BE IMPLICATED AS A CONSPIRATOR.

2 - Memphis

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I - MR. BOLG
I - MR. ROSENBERG

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RE: MURKIN

AIRMAIL COPIES TO MEMPHIS.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
FROM: SAC, CHICAGO (44-1114)
SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Bureau airtel to Chicago dated 4/25/68.
Re R. TAYLOR, OAK LAWN, ILLINOIS

ROBERT C. TAYLOR, ROBERT R. TAYLOR, RONALD P. TAYLOR, RUSSELL C. TAYLOR and ROY G. TAYLOR, all of Oak Lawn, Illinois, advised that they had not written or mailed the post card enclosed with Re Buairtel, nor could they think of anyone who might have done so.

No further inquiry is being conducted in this regard, UACB.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

C. C. - Bishop

2 - Bureau
1 - Memphis (44-1987)
1 - Chicago

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TO: SAC, NEW YORK

FROM: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-442614)
SUBJECT: MURDER OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

RE NEW YORK TELETYPE TO BUREAU, MAY 1, 1968.

ENCLOSED FOR THE BUREAU ARE TWO COPIES OF A LETTER
FROM THE NEW YORK OFFICE TO THE NEW YORK OFFICE OF THE
ATTORNEY GENERAL, DATED MAY 1, 1968, AND A COPY OF A
LETTER FROM THE NEW YORK OFFICE TO THE NEW YORK OFFICE OF THE
ATTORNEY GENERAL, DATED MAY 1, 1968.

NO OTHER ACTION IS BEING TAKEN AT THIS TIME.

ADMINISTRATIVE: NEW YORK
ACTION: NEW YORK (100-442614)
INFO: NEW YORK (100-442614)

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
FROM: SAC, PITTSBURGH (44-578) -P-
SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Pittsburgh teletype to Bureau dated
4/18/68.

Records from the Bureau of Public Debt, Parkersburg, W. Va., reviewed and reveal that a computer check of the names E. S. GALT and H. LOWMEYER or LOWMYER were negative with regard to individuals of that name purchasing U. S. savings bonds. The name E. S. GAULT appears 97 times, which indicates that 97 bonds bearing that name are on record as having been purchased.

The purchasers of these 97 bonds were determined to be the following six individuals:

1. Mrs. ELOISE S. GAULT
6278 Tourraine Avenue
Newark, California,
former address 24806 Broadmore Avenue,
Hayward, California
2. EDWARD S. GAULT
9141 Grant Park Drive
Affton, Missouri

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1-Memphis (44-1987)
1-Chicago (44-1114)
2-Pittsburgh
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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM : SAC, NEW YORK
SUBJECT: [illegible]

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3. EDWARD S. GAULT
4 West Maryland Avenue
Rockville, Maryland
4. Dr. EDWIN SARTAIN GAULT
11 North Kirklyn Avenue
Upper Darby, Pa.
5. EDGAR S. GAULT
932 Beach Avenue
LaGrange Park, Illinois
6. Miss ELIZABETH SARA GAULT
972 East Square Lake Road
Bloomfield Hills, Michigan

The name J. WILLARD was also searched and approximately 1000 savings bonds had been purchased by individuals with that name.

No leads are being set out to interview any of the individuals listed above or the holders of the savings bonds in the name of J. WILLARD, UACOO.

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3. MISS MISSISSIPPI STATE CAPITAL

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

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TO : Mr. DeLoach

DATE: April 29, 1968

FROM : A. Rosen

SUBJECT: MURKIN

1 - Mr. DeLoach
1 - Mr. Rosen
1 - Mr. Malley
1 - Mr. McGowan
1 - Mr. Long
1 - Mr. McDonough
1 - Mr. Martindale
1 - Mr. Bishop
1 - Mr. Gale

This is the case involving the murder of Martin Luther King, Jr.

Dyrell Dennis, the "mysterious blonde named Jerri" whom Louis Lomax has claimed is connected with Ray, has been reinterviewed in Milwaukee. She selected a picture of Ray taken 1/4/66 as resembling a man she knew only as Eric. This particular photograph had not been available when Dennis was previously interviewed.

Dennis stated that she resided at the St. Francis Hotel, Los Angeles, from 3/1/68 to 3/9/68. It is noted that Ray, as Eric Galt, lived at the St. Francis from 1/21/68 to 3/17/68.

Dennis related that sometime during the period she lived at the St. Francis she was at the bar in the Sultan Room when she was approached by a man who introduced himself only as Eric. Eric bought her several drinks, gave her money for the juke box, displayed a large sum of money in ten and twenty dollar bills, gave her a twenty dollar bill and she accompanied him to his room in the St. Francis.

While talking to Eric in his room, Dennis became frightened because Eric said he could become violent. She thought he might be a psychopath and decided not to have relations with him. When Eric left the room to get more drinks, Dennis slipped out and returned to the Sultan Room. Eric found her there and she returned his twenty dollars when he threatened to call the police unless she did so. She denies any other knowledge of the subject.

Joe Peters, bartender at the Sultan Room, has identified a photograph of Dennis as a "lush" who frequented the Sultan Room while Ray was living at the St. Francis. Peters only saw Dennis and Ray together on one occasion; they were talking together at the juke box and Dennis kept shaking her head. Peters has no knowledge of any other association between them.

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RE: MURKIN

When Ray left the St. Francis Hotel he gave his forwarding address as General Delivery, Atlanta. The Atlanta Post Office has a package from International Police Equipment Company, Los Angeles, addressed to Eric Galt at the St. Francis. The package contains a pair of handcuffs made in Japan.

Records of the International Police Equipment Company show the order for the handcuffs was originally mailed by the subject on 2/28/68 to Tiffany Enterprises, a distributor for International Police Equipment Company. There was a delay in filling the order and a secretary at Tiffany recalls that the subject telephoned, 3/15/68, requesting the handcuffs be shipped immediately. They were mailed the next day.

Leo Holden Parker, received at Missouri State Penitentiary 4/19/68 to serve fifteen years for armed robbery, stated he had been released on parole in St. Louis, 6/1/67, after serving thirteen years on an Illinois murder conviction. He was arrested 7/18/67 and charged with the kidnapping and robbing of a nineteen-year-old couple. The kidnapper allegedly told the victims he had broken out of prison and needed a car.

The victims allegedly described the kidnapper as having blue eyes. Parker claims he is innocent and noted his description closely resembles that of Ray except Parker has brown eyes and Ray has blue eyes.

Parker claims he has been told by an inmate he cannot identify that as recently as September, 1967, Ray was in St. Louis, living and cooking in a garage, using or pushing narcotics and obtaining money through hold-ups. Parker does bear a resemblance to Ray's photographs and investigation is being conducted to determine if Ray was in St. Louis.

Billy Brown Aeby has advised he knew Ray at Missouri State Penitentiary from 1961 through 1964. Aeby described Ray as money hungry and said Ray dealt extensively in the sale of amphetamine and benzedrine to other inmates. The only relative Ray mentioned to Aeby was a brother in St. Louis whom Aeby believed was a middleman in Ray's

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RE: MURKIN

operations, receiving money from relatives and friends of inmates whom Ray supplied with amphetamine or benzedrine. Aeby alleged Ray once had an inmate beaten by two other prisoners because he did not pay for amphetamine he had received.

Aeby considers Ray's usual criminal occupation to be armed robbery and thinks he would be a hit-and-run type traveling over wide areas. He believes the only legitimate work Ray could qualify for would be in a bakery.

Louis Lomax and Charles Stein have driven from Houston to San Antonio looking for the telephone booth allegedly used by Ray when he drove from Los Angeles to New Orleans with Stein, 12/15-17/67. A reporter for the Houston "Chronicle" who accompanied Lomax and Stein advised they did not find the booth and the reporter believes Stein is taking Lomax for a ride. The reporter left Lomax and Stein at San Antonio where they rented a car to continue their search west of San Antonio.

ACTION:

Numerous suspects are being reported on a daily basis and are being immediately checked out. All possible efforts are being made to locate Ray as quickly as possible.

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**To: SAC's, New Orleans (157-10673) - Enclosures (11)
Memphis (44-1987)**

From: Director, FBI (44-38861)

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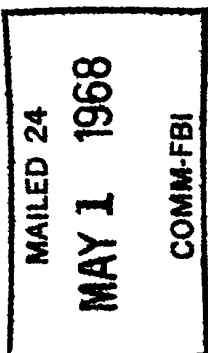
Re New Orleans airtel 4/22/68, submitting eleven registration cards, Q273 through Q282, for examination.

Two latent fingerprints developed on registration card #8486, in the name of A. C. Reid, Q273, and two latent fingerprints developed on the registration card #8370, in the name of Garnet Brown, Q277. Latent fingerprints not identical with fingerprints of James Earl Ray, FBI #405942G, or Walter Terry Rife, FBI #4558766.

Specimens enclosed to New Orleans Division.

Laboratory report separate.

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1 - Mr. Rosen (Detached)

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Via TELETYPE URGENT
 (Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR (MAIL) AND SACS MILWAUKEE (44-388) AND CHICAGO

FROM: SAC, SPRINGFIELD (44-561) (3 PG)
 MURKIN

RE MILWAUKEE TELETYPE TO DIRECTOR DATED APRIL TWENTYEIGHT LAST.

MVB SPRINGFIELD ADVISED SIXTYEIGHT ILLINOIS LICENSE B TWO NINE ONE SIX ONE SEVEN ISSUED TO JAMES J. MC GOVERN, ONE ZERO ZERO TWO THREE WEST DEVON, ROSEMONT, ILLINOIS, FOR NINETEEN SIXTYSIX CHEVROLET FLEETSIDE PANEL TRUCK, VIN C TWO FIVE FOUR SIX F ONE SIX THREE FOUR ZERO TWO, DRIVER'S LICENSE LISTED AS M TWO ONE SIX DASH FOUR FIVE ZERO TWO DASH THREE ZERO FIVE SIX, SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER [REDACTED]

NINETEEN SIXTYSEVEN ILLINOIS LICENSE B TWO NINE ONE SIX ONE SEVEN ISSUED TO GEORGE WARD, ROUTE TWO, D STREET, MURPHYSBORO, ILLINOIS, FOR A NINETEEN FIFTYSIX FORD PICKUP, VIN F ONE ZERO V SIX G TWO FIVE FOUR TWO ONE, DRIVER'S LICENSE

1 - Springfield (44-561)
 1 - Bureau (AM)
 1 - Memphis (AM)
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1 - Minneapolis (AM) 44-38861-2593
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ATTN: JOHN NEMO A COPY OF THIS MESSAGE BEING SENT OUR CITIZEN'S PROPERTY

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THEY CAN ONLY BECOME INVOLVED IF CHURCHES WOULD 'DOUBLE UP' IN AN EFFORT.

AMERICAN AIRLINES INTERNATIONAL FIGHTER B-200 WING

~~SECRET~~ ~~SECURITY~~ ~~NOFORN~~

100-443887-1572

Q AND HAS YOUR EYE BEEN SINCE YOUR EYE WAS INJURED?

~~TUESDAY~~ ~~STANLEY C. LARSEN~~ ~~DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE~~ ~~AID~~

THE FIRST STEP WAS TO GET THE BEST OF THE "BOMBERS" AND "KILLERS" OUT OF THE COUNTRY.

1 100 PILE ONE SIX ONE BEACH FORTY SIX TIER 2 MC COMPANY

THE GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

10/10/1973

104 MIYAYUKI JINZAKU TO DIRECTOR OHARA VISIT

APPENDIX

REF: HQ 651000 (44-281) (U) (C)

CHICAGO

REF: DIRECTOR (7711) AND SAC, NEW YORK (100-388) AND

REFERENCES

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LISTED AS W ONE FIVE SIX SIX TWO THREE FOUR NINE SEVEN SIX FIVE TWO FIVE EIGHT. THIS LICENSE ORIGINALLY ISSUED FOR A NINETEEN FIFTYFOUR FORD PICKUP, IN WHICH DRIVER'S LICENSE LISTED AS W ONE FIVE SIX SIX TWO THREE FOUR NINE SEVEN SIX FIVE TWO FIVE EIGHT FIVE. THESE ARE NOT ILLINOIS DRIVER'S LICENSE.

DRIVER'S LICENSE SECTION, SPRINGFIELD, ADVISED DRIVER'S LICENSE NUMBER M TWO ONE SIX DASH FOUR FIVE ZERO TWO DASH THREE ZERO FIVE SIX ISSUED FEBRUARY FOURTEEN LAST TO JAMES J. MC GOVERN. THIS CHAUFFEUR'S LICENSE EXPIRES MARCH SEVEN SIXTYNINE AND DESCRIBED HIM AS FIVE FEET TEN INCHES, ONE HUNDRED NINETY POUNDS, BROWN HAIR, BLUE EYES, DATE OF BIRTH [REDACTED] APPLICATION REFLECTS HE IS SELF-EMPLOYED AND D/B/A/J. J. MC GOVERN MOTOR SERVICE, ROSEMONT, ILLINOIS.

DRIVER'S LICENSE NUMBER W SIX THREE TWO ZERO DASH THREE TWL ONE THREE DASH FIVE TWO THREE FOUR ISSUED DECEMBER EIGHT, SIXTYSEVEN TO GEORGE L. WARD, ONE ZERO THREE THIRD STREET, MURPHYSBORO, ILLINOIS. LICENSE EXPIRES DECEMBER EIGHT, SIXTYEIGHT AND DESCRIBES HIM AS FIVE FEET ELEVEN INCHES, ONE HUNDRED NINETY POUNDS, BROWN HAIR, HAZEL EYES, DOB [REDACTED]
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SPRINGFIELD AT ROSEMONT AND MURPHYSBORO. WILL
DETERMINE IF MC GOVERN AND WARD ARE IDENTICAL TO RAY.

COPIES MAILED MEMPHIS AND MINNEAPOLIS.

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

FROM: SAC, CHARLOTTE (44-1365)

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Re Charlotte airtel 4/26/68 requesting comparison of Thermo-Seal marking machine tapes with tapes in possession of the Bureau.

By airtel dated 4/25/68, the Memphis Office advised that the laundry mark "20R-3" has been identified as coming from a laundry in Culver City, Calif.

In view of the above, the comparison requested of the FBI Laboratory is no longer necessary and should be disregarded.

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FROM A JOURNAL TO CHIEF OF POLICE, CHIEF
THE FBI JOURNAL MARK "NOB-3" HAS BEEN IDENTIFIED AS CONTAINING
A STATEMENT OF "XEROX" THE MEMBERS OFFICE AGAINST

OF THE BUREAU
OF BUREAU-LEVEL IDENTIFIED MACHINE CROSS AFTER REBOX TO REGENERATION
BE OPERATING STATE "XEROX" REGENERATED COMBINATION

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FROM: SAC, CHICAGO (44-1362)

TO: FBI INFORMATION

FROM: DIRECTOR (44-1362)

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SAC, Memphis (44-1987)
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From: Director, FBI (44-38861) - 2595

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Re LEGAT, Ottawa, airtel 4-22-68, submitting a copy of Royal Canadian Mounted Police report dated 4-18-68, together with copies of the fingerprints, photograph, and record of Frederick John Galt.

Latent fingerprints previously reported this case are not identical with the fingerprints of Galt.

The submitted items are enclosed to LEGAT, Ottawa.

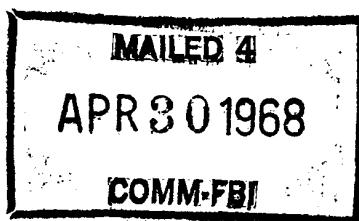
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Date: 4-22-68

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(Priority)

To: Director, FBI
 From: Legat, Ottawa (44-4)(P)
 Subject: MURKIN
 OO: MEMPHIS

Enclosed are three copies of RCMP "C" Division report dated 4-18-68.

Contact has been maintained on a continuing basis with RCMP Headquarters since 4-12-68; however, it has not been definitely established when subject was at 2589 Notre-Dame East, Montreal, during the Summer of 1967. The apartment manager, in view of notation on the back of the ledger sheet, speculated there may have been a inquiry from Galt around 3-1-67, to reserve unit; however, the janitor, Quintal, recalls he was there for six-week period August to September, 1967, leaving around 9-2-67, to return to U. S. to "assist sick relatives." Investigation is being pushed with Montreal by RCMP Headquarters.

Robert James Shadoff, aka., Gary Eric Galt, eliminated by RCMP as was working continuously in Toronto during pertinent period.

Eric S. Galt, listed in latest Toronto directory, also eliminated as supervisor at Union Carbide for thirty years and was in Toronto during pertinent period.

Checks of all provinces as to birth records, motor vehicle records, drivers' licenses, Unemployment Insurance Commission, Immigration, etc., under names available prior to identification of Ray completed and negative.

5 - Bureau (Enc. 18)
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Case received excellent T.V., radio and newspaper coverage in Canada following initial press release 4-17-68, and additional release 4-19-68. Additional efforts being made through RCMP to insure it receives further publicity in view of Canadian aspect, i.e., residence in Montreal in Summer of 1967.

Information from Buffalo Telex 4-19-68, re possible entry into Canada at Niagara Falls 4-12-68, furnished RCMP same date with request they alert RCMP, Montreal, Montreal Police Department, and Quebec Provincial Police. In this regard, RCMP, Niagara Falls, by Telex advised description as supplied by source considered "incomplete and not entirely consistent with known descriptive details." They further advised that "evidence Ray here at all considered meager and reliability of source this instance in question."

Wanted Flyer received Ottawa via EAL pilot 10:30 p.m. 4-20-68, and immediately transmitted by wirephoto by RCMP Headquarters across Canada on 4-21-68. RCMP prepared Wanted Flyer in English and French, copy enclosed, for distribution same date to all police agencies across Canada.

Also enclosed are four copies each of RCMP record for one Frederick John Gault, his fingerprints and photograph. Gault, RCMP FPS #264190A, was developed as possible suspect as result RCMP name search. Check of RCMP records under name of Ray and aliases negative. Stop placed. Check re Walter Terry Rife likewise negative and stop placed.

For possible consideration, it is noted George Ben Edmondson, BUfile 88-35159, former Top Ten Fugitive, escaped Missouri State Penitentiary 8-3-65, and was subsequently apprehended Canada 6-28-67, and had worked in Montreal area prior to apprehension, including pavilion at Expo '67. As Ray escaped from same institution 4-23-67, and both were in penitentiary during same period, 1960-65, it is felt possible Ray may have contacted Edmondson in Montreal between his escape and the apprehension of Edmondson. If cooperative, Edmondson might be in position to furnish information as to where subject might go if he did return to Montreal area.

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TO THE DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM THE SAC, NEW YORK
SUBJECT: [Illegible]

RE NEW YORK TELETYPE TO BUREAU, APRIL TWENTY, FIFTY NINE.
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FOR INFORMATION OF THE BUREAU, THE FOLLOWING IS A SUMMARY OF THE
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ON APRIL TWENTY, FIFTY NINE, THE NEW YORK OFFICE RECEIVED A
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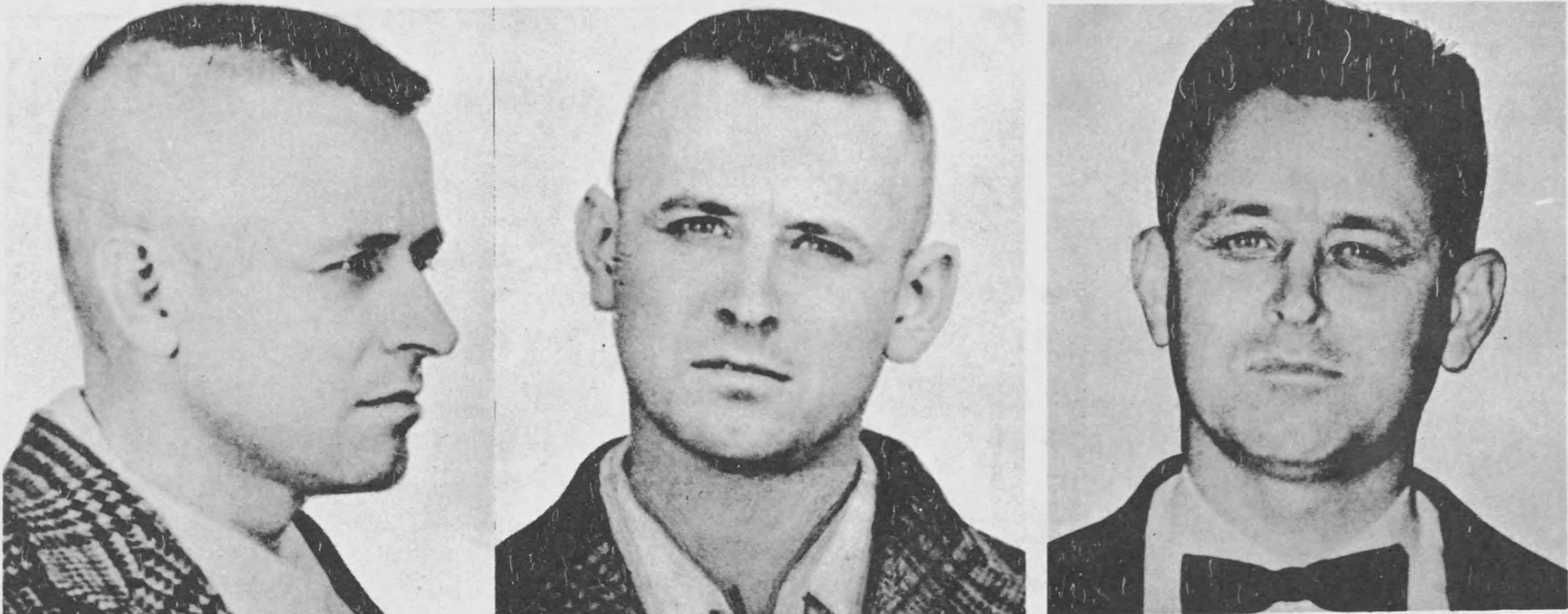
THE NEW YORK OFFICE IS CURRENTLY CONDUCTING AN INVESTIGATION
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WANTED

CIVIL RIGHTS — CONSPIRACY: INTERSTATE FLIGHT — ROBBERY

JAMES EARL RAY

ALIASES: ERIC STARVO GALT, W.C. HERRON, HARVEY LOWMYER, JAMES MCBRIDE, JAMES O'CONNER, JAMES WALTON, JAMES WALYON, JOHN WILLARD, "JIM".



A FEDERAL WARRANT WAS ISSUED ON APRIL 17, 1968, AT BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA, CHARGING RAY AS ERIC STARVO GALT WITH CONSPIRING TO INTERFERE WITH A CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHT OF A CITIZEN (TITLE 18, U.S. CODE, SECTION 241). A FEDERAL WARRANT WAS ALSO ISSUED ON JULY 20, 1967, AT JEFFERSON CITY, MO. CHARGING RAY WITH INTERSTATE FLIGHT TO AVOID CONFINEMENT FOR THE CRIME OF ROBBERY (TITLE 18, U.S. CODE, SECTION 1073).

DESC: BORN 10-3-28, QUINCY OR ALTON, ILL. (NOT SUPPORTED BY BIRTH RECORDS) 5'10"; 163 TO 174 LBS.; C. MEDIUM; E. BLUE; H. BROWN (POSSIBLY CUT SHORT) SMALL SCAR ON CENTRE OF FOREHEAD AND ON PALM OF RIGHT HAND; NOTICEABLY PROTRUDING LEFT EAR; REPORTED TO BE A "LONE WOLF"; ALLEGEDLY ATTENDED DANCE INSTRUCTION SCHOOL; HAS REPORTEDLY COMPLETED A COURSE IN BAR-TENDING. BELIEVED TO HAVE WORKED AT EXPO '67 IN MONTREAL.

HIS CRIMINAL RECORD INCLUDES CONVICTIONS FOR BURGLARY, ROBBERY, FORGING U.S. POSTAL MONEY ORDERS, ARMED ROBBERY AND OPERATING A MOTOR VEHICLE WITHOUT OWNER'S CONSENT.

CAUTION: RAY IS SOUGHT IN CONNECTION WITH A MURDER WHERE— IN THE VICTIM WAS SHOT. CONSIDER ARMED AND EXTREMELY DANGEROUS.

SUBJECT MAY BE ARRESTED WITHOUT WARRANT ANYWHERE IN CANADA UNDER SECTION 16 OF THE IMMIGRATION ACT.

IF LOCATED IN CANADA, HOLD AND ADVISE THE COMMISSIONER, RCMP, OTTAWA.

SUBJECT WAS TENTATIVELY IDENTIFIED AT NIAGARA FALLS, ONTARIO ON APRIL 12, 1968. MAY BE TRAVELLING TO MONTREAL.

WANTED CIRCULAR NO. 173
RCMP GAZETTE

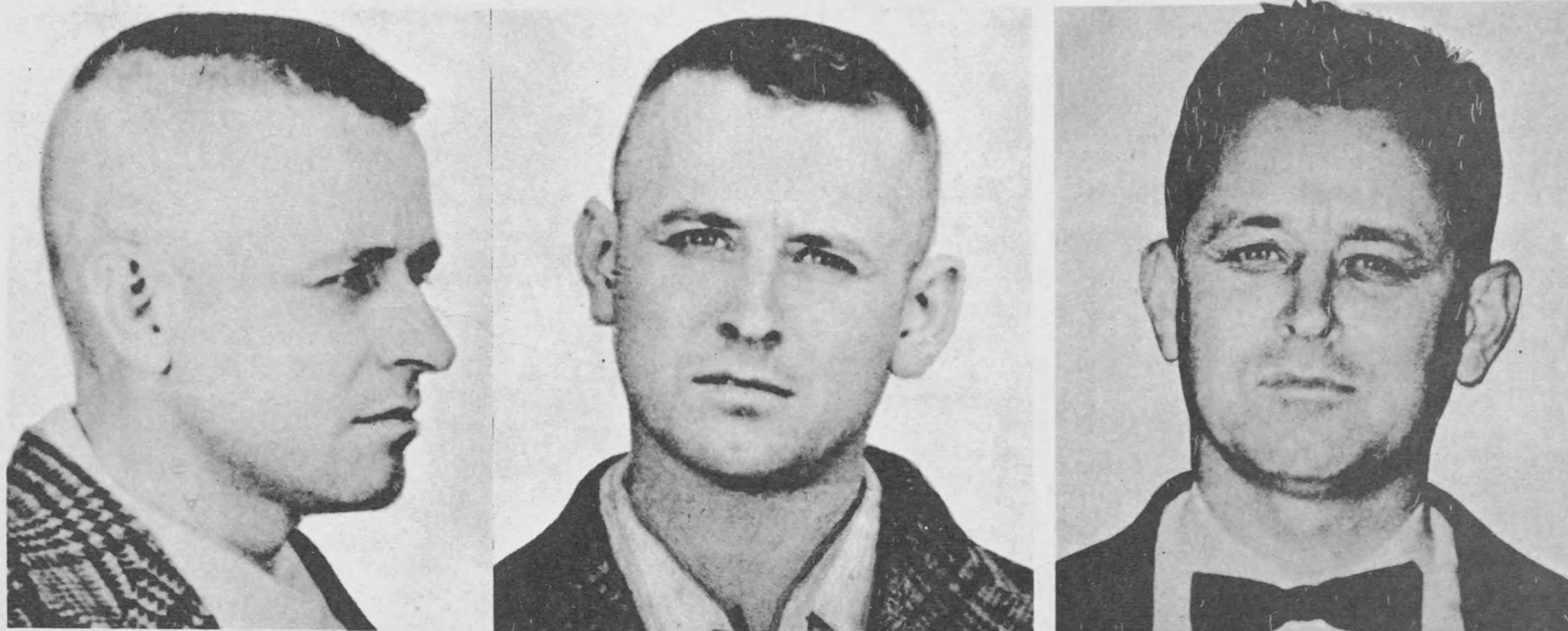
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JAMES EARL RAY

FAUX NOMS: ERIC STARVO GALT, W.C. HERRON, HARVEY LOWMYER, JAMES MCBRIDE, JAMES O'CONNER, JAMES WALTON, JAMES WALYON, JOHN WILLARD, "JIM".



UN MANDAT FÉDÉRAL A ÉTÉ DÉLIVRÉ LE 17 AVRIL, 1968, A BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA, ACCUSANT RAY COMME ERIC STARVO GALT DE COMLOT ENTRAVANT LES DROITS CONSTITUTIONNELS DU CITOYEN (TITRE 18, CODE AMÉRICAIN ARTICLE 241). UN MANDAT FÉDÉRAL A AUSSI ÉTÉ DÉLIVRÉ LE 20 JUILLET, 1967, A LA CITÉ DE JEFFERSON, MO., ACCUSANT RAY DE FUITE D'UN ÉTAT A L'AUTRE POUR ÉVITER L'EMPRISONNEMENT POUR LE CRIME DE VOL QUALIFIÉ (TITRE 18, CODE AMÉRICAIN ARTICLE 1073).

DESC: NÉ 10-3-28, QUINCY OU ALTON, ILL. (NON-APPUYÉE), 5' 10", 163 A 174 LIV., T. MOYEN, Y. BLEUS, C. BRUNS (POURRAIENT ÊTRE COUPÉS COURTS), PETITE CICATRICE SUR LE FRONT AU CENTRE ET SUR LA PAUME DE LA MAIN DROITE; OREILLE GAUCHE DECOLLÉE; RAPPORTÉ COMME ÉTANT UN SOLITAIRE; AURAIT ASSISTÉ A UNE ÉCOLE D'INSTRUCTION DE DANSE; ON DIT QU'IL A COMPLÉTÉ UN COURS SUR LA PRÉPARATION DE BREUVAGES ALCOOLIQUE. SUPPOSÉ AVOIR TRAVAILLÉ A EXPO '67 A MONTRÉAL.

SON DOSIER JUDICIAIRE INCLUS CONDAMNATIONS POUR VOL DE NUIT, VOL QUALIFIÉ, CONTREFAIRE DES MANDATS DE POSTE AMÉRICAINS, VOL A MAIN ARMÉE, ET OPÉRÉ UN VÉHICULE SANS LE CONSENTEMENT DU PROPRIÉTAIRE.

AVIS: RAY EST RECHERCHÉ EN RAPPORT AVEC UN MEURTRE OU LA VICTIME A ÉTÉ TIRÉ. CONSIDÉRÉ ARMÉ ET EXTRÊMEMENT DANGEREUX.

SUJET PEUT ÊTRE ARRÊTÉ SANS MANDAT PARTOUT AU CANADA EN VERTU DE L'ARTICLE 16 DE LA LOI SUR L'IMMIGRATION.

SI TROUVÉ AU CANADA, RETENIR ET AVISER LE COMMISSAIRE, GRC, OTTAWA. AURAIT ÉTÉ IDENTIFIÉ LE 12 AVRIL, 1968, A NIAGARA FALLS, ONTARIO. SE DIRIGE PEUT-ÊTRE VERS MONTRÉAL.

PERSONNE RECHERCHÉE — CIRCULAIRE 173
GAZETTE DE LA GRC

21 AVRIL 1968

ENCLOSURE

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FBI LOS ANG.

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

APR 30 1968

4:49PM URGENT 4-30-68 LLR

TELETYPE

TO DIRECTOR (44-38861) AND LITTLE ROCK (157-1215)

FROM LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

MURKIN.

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_____
Tele. Room_____
Miss Holmes_____
Miss Gandy_____

RE LOS ANGELES TEL TO BUREAU APRIL TWENTY-NINE LAST RE
TELEPHONE BOOTHS, ST. FRANCIS HOTEL, LOS ANGELES AND LITTLE ROCK
TEL TO BUREAU THIS DATE.

RE-CHECK OF PACIFIC TELEPHONE CO. RECORDS THIS DATE REVEAL
THAT ON FEBRUARY SIXTEEN, SIXTY-EIGHT AT ONE FORTYSEVEN P.M. A
COLLECT TELEPHONE CALL WAS PLACED TO AREA CODE FIVE ZERO ONE, TELEPHONE
NUMBER SIX SIX FOUR DASH ONE FOUR SEVEN EIGHT FROM PUBLIC COIN
TELEPHONE NUMBER TWO ONE THREE DASH FOUR SIX TWO DASH NINE NINE ONE
ZERO. THE CALL LASTED FOR THREE MINUTES AND TWENTY-FOUR SECONDS.
TOLL TICKET INDICATES PARTY RECEIVING CALL ACCEPTED CHARGES.

LITTLE ROCK SHOULD CHECK TELEPHONE COMPANY TOLL TICKETS FOR
FEB. SIXTY-EIGHT FOR TELEPHONE NUMBER SIX SIX FOUR DASH ONE FOUR
SEVEN EIGHT TO DETERMINE IF COLLECT CALL RECORDED. IF TOLL
RECORD VERIFIES CALL, RE-INTERVIEW SUBSCRIBER IN ACCORDANCE
WITH LEAD SET FORTH IN REFERENCED LOS ANGELES TEL DATED FOUR
DASH TWENTYEIGHT LAST.

AIR MAIL COPIES SENT MEMPHIS AND BIRMINGHAM.

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VIA TELETYPE
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Mr. Mohr	_____
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Miss Holmes	_____
Miss Gandy	_____

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FBI NEW YORK

Mr 5:05 PM URGENT 4-30-68 AWS

TO DIRECTOR (PLAIN)

FROM NEW YORK 44-1609

MURKIN

RE CONTEMPLATED CIRCULARIZATION OF CAR RENTAL AGENCIES
CONCERNING SUBJECT RAY.

RE BUTEL TO NEW YORK DATED APRIL TWO NINE, LAST.

BOTH AVIS AND HERTZ PUBLISH HOUSE ORGANS AND ARE WILL-
ING TO ACCEPT FILLER FOR PUBLICATION.

HOWEVER, BOTH ALSO PUBLISH BULLETINS WHICH ARE DIS-
TRIBUTED DIRECTLY TO COUNTER PERSONNEL AND MIGHT BE OF MORE
VALUE IN INSTANT MATTER. BULLETINS ARE SINGLE PIECES OF
PAPER, EIGHT AND ONE HALF BY ELEVEN INCHES, AND ACCOMMODATE
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REQUEST TO BOTH AGENCIES SHOULD INCLUDE THE REQUEST THAT WORLD WIDE DISTRIBUTION OF THE BULLETIN BE MADE.

PUBLICATION OF BULLETINS WILL BE AT NO EXPENSE TO THE BUREAU. REQUESTS FOR INCLUSION OF SUBJECT IN A BULLETIN SHOULD BE ADDRESSED TO: MRS. JODY KUTCH, AVIS NEWS, NINE ZERO ZERO OLD COUNTRY ROAD, GARDEN CITY, LONG ISLAND, NEW YORK, AND MR. MILTON COHEN VICE P RESIDENT AND GENERAL MANAGER, HERTZ RENT A CAR SYSTEM, SIX SIX ZERO MADISON AVENUE, NEW YORK, NEW YORK.

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FROM NEW YORK (100-100000)

RE NEW YORK (100-100000)

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TO DIRECTOR FBI (100-100000)

FROM NEW YORK (100-100000)

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TO DIRECTOR FBI (100-100000)

FROM NEW YORK (100-100000)

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TO DIRECTOR FBI (100-100000)

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. DeLoach

DATE: April 30, 1968

FROM : A. Rosen

SUBJECT: MURKIN

1 - Mr. DeLoach
1 - Mr. Rosen
1 - Mr. Malley
1 - Mr. McGowan
1 - Mr. Long
1 - Mr. McDonough
1 - Mr. Martindale
1 - Mr. Bishop
1 - Mr. Gale

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This is the case involving the murder of Martin Luther King, Jr.

A confidential source at the telephone company in Houston has furnished the following information. Hugh Ainsworth of "Newsweek" advised the telephone company that Louis Lomax and Charles Stein identified a public telephone at Uvalde, Texas, as one used by Ray to make a call to New Orleans between 6 p. m. and 9 p. m., 12/16/67.

Telephone company records show that no call was made to New Orleans from this telephone during the entire month of December. Only one interstate call was made between 6 p. m. and 9 p. m., 12/16/67. This call was by a man identifying himself as Ben Gomez and was made to the residence of Guadalupe Mata (phonetic) at a telephone number in California. Mata is being checked out as are eight calls made from this telephone to Texas telephone numbers between 6 p. m. and 9 p. m., 12/16/67.

Mrs. Clovina Olonzo, New Orleans, mother of Charles Stein, describes him as "crazy but harmless." She bases this opinion on the fact that he holds conversations with "space people" and on several occasions has asked her to look into the sky to see a flying saucer he allegedly was watching; she could see nothing. She also stated that Stein talks to trees and explains this by saying that trees were placed on earth for a purpose.

Anthony Charles Decarvelho, a friend of Charles Stein in New Orleans, has advised that he held several conversations with Stein when Stein was in New Orleans last December and that these conversations dealt with a "cosmic philosophy" in which Stein believes. Decarvelho said this philosophy deals with flying saucers, space people residing on earth and attempts to get closer to the Creator. Stein said that the Creator had provided for him in making the subject available to drive him to

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REC'D DE LOACH
FBI

Memorandum to Mr. DeLoach
RE: MURKIN

New Orleans. Stein told Decarvelho he felt that he was on the threshold of converting Ray to his "cosmic philosophy" and hoped to complete the conversion on the return trip from New Orleans to Los Angeles.

Lomax and Stein have now returned to Los Angeles. Stein advised the search for the telephone booth used by Ray had been nonproductive. He said a couple of telephone booths in Uvalde, Texas, looked familiar but he could furnish no factual data as to their use by Ray.

In an article for immediate release by Louis Lomax, now writing for the North American Newspaper Alliance, Lomax falsely claimed that there are certain contradictions in the FBI investigation. Lomax in his article states as follows.

1. Lomax claims: The FBI has been forced to admit that the fingerprints circulated as those of Ray are in fact of someone else.

Facts: The FBI has issued only one set of fingerprints and these are the actual fingerprints of Ray. When Ray escaped from prison in April, 1967, Missouri authorities issued a wanted notice that bore the wrong fingerprints; however the warden immediately issued a corrected wanted notice bearing the correct fingerprints. We had nothing to do with these wanted notices issued by Missouri almost a year before King was killed.

2. Lomax claims: An FBI search of the 1966 white Mustang driven by Ray unearthed Green Stamps that were issued as a result of a purchase at a Birmingham, Alabama, gas station in mid-February, 1968. FBI reports consistently place Ray in Los Angeles as a student at dancing and bartending schools at the time of the gas station transaction.

Facts: The manager of the service station in Birmingham, Alabama, stated that the station purchases S & H Green Stamps every two weeks and upon reviewing the stamps from the 1966 Mustang of Ray the manager stated that the stamps were purchased on 9/8/67 from the S & H Company and the number on the top of the stamps would indicate that they were given to a customer sometime during 9/8-22/67. It is noted that Birmingham investigation indicates that Ray was in Birmingham, Alabama, from 8/26/67 to 10/6/67.

Memorandum to Mr. DeLoach
RE: MURKIN

3. Lomax claims: FBI reports indicated that cigarette butts and ashes were found on the floor of the white Mustang when it was recovered in Atlanta, Georgia, although Lomax alleges Ray does not smoke.

Facts: The Agents in Atlanta, upon examination of the 1966 Mustang, determined there were no apparent cigar or cigarette ashes on the floor of the white Mustang and the ash tray was clean.

4. Lomax claims: The FBI reports indicate that Ray was in Los Angeles until 3/27/68; he is reported to have bought the fatal weapon in Birmingham, Alabama, on 3/30/68. Ray could not have driven the route in a Mustang in that short period between 3/27/68 and 3/30/68.

Facts: Our investigation discloses that Ray departed Los Angeles, California, on 3/17/68 giving a forwarding address as General Delivery, Atlanta, Georgia.

5. Lomax claims: The most fatal oversight was the FBI's failure to uncover the console television set Ray gave to a Hollywood girl friend in return for her portable television set. The back of this television set contained handwriting believed to be that of Ray.

Facts: We were perfectly aware that Ray traded his console television set for a portable model and the television set has been in the possession of a person whom we have interviewed at length. Our Los Angeles Office advises that there is no handwriting on the back of the television set.

6. Lomax claims: A clear reading makes it all but certain that Ray took three trips to New Orleans between 12/13/67 and the end of March.

Facts: Our investigation thus far discloses that Ray made two trips to New Orleans: once when he left Los Angeles 12/15/67, was registered at a New Orleans motel, 12/17-19/67, and returned to Los Angeles 12/21/67; and again when he left Los Angeles, 3/17/68, and delivered a package in New Orleans to a relative of Charles Stein, apparently on the evening of 3/21/68.

Memorandum to Mr. DeLoach
RE: MURKIN

7. Lomax claims: The FBI did not retrace Ray's trip to New Orleans with Stein to find the telephone booth Ray used to call New Orleans and did not consider the possibility Ray had called New Orleans from a telephone booth in the St. Francis Hotel in Los Angeles.

Facts: Lomax and Stein spent several days in an unproductive search for the Texas telephone booth allegedly used by Ray. We are checking the records of all calls made from more than 170 telephones along the route driven by Ray and Stein in December, 1967. We have previously checked out calls made from the telephone booth in the St. Francis Hotel indicated by Lomax as having been used by Ray and no pertinent information was developed. We are also checking calls made from all other pay telephones in the St. Francis.

ACTION:

Extensive investigation is continuing throughout the field on a top priority basis to locate and apprehend Ray as quickly as possible.

Memphis authorities have indicated that they may seek a murder indictment against Ray from a local grand jury on or about 5/3/68. It is not yet known if the testimony of FBI Agents will be necessary but we will furnish whatever cooperation local authorities may require in presenting the matter to a grand jury.

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