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THEREFORE, IN VIEW OF ABOVE, UNLESS ADVISED TO THE CONTRARY BY THE BUREAU, OFFICES RECEIVING THIS COMMUNICATION ARE TO HOLD IN ABEYANCE ANY INVESTIGATION RE CHECK OF RECORDS OF MENTAL INSTITUTIONS IN AN EFFORT TO LOCATE A COMMITMENT RECORD RE SUBJECT RAY.

ATLANTA, BIRMINGHAM, KANSAS CITY, LOS ANGELES, SAN DIEGO, AND SAN FRANCISCO ADVISED BY AIRMAIL.

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DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

DATE: 5/8/68

FROM

SAC, LITTLE ROCK (157-1215) (RESC)

SUBJECT

MURKIN

00: Memphis

Re Bureau airtel to Little Rock, dated 4/30/68.

Enclosed herein for San Diego are two (2) copies of a letter from EDWIN WILSON dated April 24, 1968, post-marked April 25, 1968. Also enclosed for San Diego is one (1) copy of referenced airtel.

On May 2, 1968, Mr. ED RICE, Clerk, Waldron Post Office, advised that Post Office Box 382 at Waldron, Arkansas, is registered in the name of RIAMENDA FULLER, Route 1, Waldron, Arkansas. Mr. RICE advised that Mrs. FULLER has the reputation of being a "nut" and a prolific letter writer. Mr. RICE advised that EDWIN WILSON is the son of RIAMENDA FULLER and half-brother of CECIL SHARP. Mr. RICE advised that EDWIN WILSON no longer lives in the Waldron, Arkansas, area and he did not know his current whereabouts.

On the same date, Sheriff CLYDE HAWKINS, Scott County Sheriff's Office, Waldron, Arkansas, advised he was familiar with RIAMENDA FULLER and her half-sons, EDWIN WILSON and CECIL SHARP. Sheriff HAWKINS stated that the whole family needed to be put away in a state asylum as they are a constant bother to him. Sheriff HAWKINS advised that Mrs. FULLER is constantly writing letters accusing different people of crimes. Sheriff HAWLINS also advised that Mrs. FULLER had a couple of years prior been the object of a Post Office Inspector's inquiry regarding fraud by mail. Sheriff HAWKINS further stated that he at one time tried to commit Mrs. FULLER to the State Hospital but was unsuccessful. It was Sheriff HAWKINS' opinion that Mrs. FULLER was the one who wrote the letter from EDWIN WILSON dated April 24, 1968.

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LR 157-1215 On the same date, Mrs. R. FULLER, Route 1, Waldron, Arkansas, was displayed the letter from EDWIN WILSON dated April 24, 1968, and she advised that she never saw it before and that it could have came from her son, EDWIN WILSON. Mrs. FULLER advised that she did not know what her son's address was and that she was unable to obtain it. During the course of the interview, Mrs. FULLER became very emotional and began crying; the interviewing agent at that point concluded the interview. Attempts to locate the address of EDWIN WILSON were negative until May 6, 1968, at which time CECIL SHARP, half-brother of EDWIN WILSON, advised that his brother's current address is as follows: EDWIN WILSON 1328 Yned Street Coronado, California c/o The Oxford Hotel Zip Code: 92118 Telephone Number 435-9874 CECIL SHARP, after viewing instant letter, advised that it looked like it was his brother's handwriting but did not know why the return address was marked Post Office Box 382, Waldron, Arkansas. For the further information of San Diego Division, EDWIN WILSON, CECIL SHARP, and Mrs. R. FULLER have previously been under investigation by the Little Rock Division concerning crank letters. LEADS: SAN DIEGO DIVISION AT CORONADO, CALIFORNIA: Will immediately interview EDWIN WILSON, 1328 Yned Street, Coronado, California, c/o Oxford Hotel, regarding - 2 -2025 RELEASE UNDER E.O. 14176

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instant letter to obtain any specific information he may have which would substantiate his belief that the subject may be in Hot Springs, Arkansas, area. At time of interview, orally acknowledge receipt of his letter.

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DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM: Julysac, SAN FRANCISCO (173-65)

SUBJECT: MURKIN

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TO DIRECTOR (44-38861), AND SAN FRANICSCO
FROM LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

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RE "THE LOCAL SWINGER", POST OFFICE BOX THREE EIGHT ZERO
TWO. DOWNEY. CALIFORNIA.

JAMES E. O'DOWD, WHO OPERATES "THE LOCAL SWINGER", A

COPRESPONDENCE CLUB, ADVISED IN REVIEWING THEIR MAILINGS THEY

OBSERVED LETTER FROM ONE J. RAY, THREE ZERO FIVE GATE FIVE ROAD,

SAUSALITO. CALIFORNIA. THIS LETTER RECEIVED BY "THE LOCAL SWINGER"

ON APRIL THREE LAST REQUESTED LIST OF WOMEN AND COUPLES IN CALIFORNIA

AS ADVERTISED IN THE "BERKELEY BARB", ESPECIALLY INTERESTED IN

ANY LIST COVERING SAN FRANICSCO BAY AREA.

SAN FRANCISCO OFFICE REQUESTED TO DETERMINE IF J. RAY IDENTICAL WITH JAMES EARL RAY. EX-1167 REC-104

LETTER RECEIVED BY 0° DOWD BEING FURNISHED BUREAU BY AIRTEL
TODAY FOR LATENT FINGERPRINTS AND HANDWRITING EXAMINATION. ADVISE
BUREAU, MEMPHIS, BIRMINGHAM AND LOS ANGELES.

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Mr. DeLoach

FROM

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: May 8, 1968

1 - Mr. DeLoach

1 - Mr. Rosen

1 - Mr. Malley

1 - Mr. McGowan

1 - Mr. McDonough

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

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In connection with the captioned case there has been speculation that James Earl Ray concocted the alias of Eric Starvo Galt by combining the names of characters from books by Ian Fleming and from a book "Atlas Shrugged" by Ayn Rand. This speculation is based on the fact that in the James Bond books by Ian Fleming there is a character named Ernst Stavro Blofield and in "Atlas Shrugged" there is a character named John Galt, as well as one named Eric Starnes. Ernst Stavro Blofield is a formidable person, John Galt is a "social drop out" and Eric Starnes is described in the book as a "whiner" from a low-class family.

In view of the above and in order that Agents handling this investigation can be alert to the possibility of Ray's utilizing an alias based on characters in Fleming's books, there is attached an airtel with enclosure to All SACS and LEGATS setting forth a list of the various characters in Fleming's books for their assistance.

### ACTION:

Upon approval the attached airtel with enclosure will be sent to All SACS and LEGATS.

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TO DIRECTOR (44-38861)

FROM KANSAS CITY (44-760) 2P

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DAILY SUMMARY.

SIX HUNDRED PHOTOS OF SUBJECT REPRODUCED AS AUTHORIZED BY
BUREAU AND KANSAS CITY IN PROCESS OF SENDING THEM TO ALL NEWS MEDIA
THIS AREA. LEADS FROM PUBLICITY BEING HANDLED IMMEDIATELY.

SUSPECTS JAMES EDWARD RAY, BELLE PLAIN, KS., REG LOST FORTH IN NEW YORK TELETYPE MAY TWO LAST AND EARL K. EXALLOMC PHERSON, KS., AS SET FORTH IN CLEVELAND TELETYPE, APRIL TWO SIX LAST ELIMINATED AS SUBJECT.

MSP RECORDS REFLECT CECIL C. LILLIBRIDGE AND SUBJECT SHARED

CELL C DASH SEVENTEEN IN PRISON FROM NOV. SEVENTEEN, SIXTY-SIX,

THROUGH JAN. EIGHTEEN, SIXTY-SEVEN. THIS CONFIRMED LILLIBRIDGE'S

PREVIOUS STATEMENT. NAMES OF SEVEN INMATES MSP FROM LOS ANGELES

AREA RELEASED SINCE APRIL ONE, SIXTY-SEVEN FURNISHED LOS ANGELES

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OFFICE INASMUCH AS SUBJECT SPENT TIME THERE AFTER HIS ESCAPE.

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PERSONNEL AT THE IDENTIFICATION DIVISION OF THE MEMPHIS

PD HAVE ADVISED THAT ALL UNIDENTIFIED LATENT FINGERPRINTS

OBTAINED IN LOCAL ROBBERY CASES HAVE BEEN SEAR HED AGAINST

THE PRINTS OF THE SUBJECT, JAMES EARL RAY, AND NO IDENTIFICATION

HAS BEEN MADE. SHELBY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE, MEMPHIS

HAS LIKEWISE COMPLETED ITS REVIEW OF LATENT FINGERPRINTS

AND HAS DISCOVERED NOTHING OF PERTINENCE. THE TENNESSEE

PUREAU OF CRIMINAL IDENTIFICATION, NASHVILLE TENNESSEE,

IS STILL MAKING COMPARISION OF SUBJECT'S PRINTS WITH THEIR

LATENT FILE.

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CHICAGO OFFICE HAS ADVISED OF A RUMOR TO THE EFFECT
THAT GRADY CARROLL, FORMER GRENADA COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI,
COMSTABLE, WAS GOING TH HAVE MARTIN LUTHER KING KILLED.
MEMPHIS HAS NOTHING TO INDICATE GRADY CARPOLL RESIDES IN
MEMPHIS TERRITORY AND HAS ASKED JACKSON OFFICE TO HANDLE.
OTHER LEADS REGARDING MISCELLANFOUS LOOK ALIKES BEING
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TO DIRECTOR 44-38861 AND MEMPHIS

FROM ATLANTA 44-2386

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SUMMARY OF INVESTIGATION CONDUCTED MAY EIGHT SIXTYEIGHT.

UNIDENTIFIED BODY OF A WHITE MALE FOUND DURING EARLY EVENING HOURS IN AUTOMOBILE ABANDONED IN PARKING AREA AT ATLANTA AIRPORT.

NEWS MEDIA IN ATLANTA AREA IMMEDIATELY SPECULATED THIS
INDIVIDUAL POSSIBLY IDENTICAL WITH JAMES EARL RAY AND MUMEROUS
INQUIRIES RECEIVED. INQUIRY IMMEDIATELY ESTABLISHED AND
BODY IDENTIFIED AS THAT OF A DETROIT HOODLUM IN NO WAY CONNECTED
WITH MURKIN CASE.

expanded airline record check completed and several names possibly pertinent to this case being checked to identify them completely.

EXPANDED CHECK OF SAFE DEPOSIT BOXES AS ORDERED BY BÜREAU UNDER WAY. IT WAS ESTIMATED THERE ARE APPROXIMATELY ONE HUNDRED SEVENTYFIVE THOUSAND SAFE DEPOSIT BOXES IN ATLANTA AREA FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS.

NUMEROUS ADDITIONAL LOOK-ALIKES ELIMINATED THROUGH 25 MAY 10 1968

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FBI ST LOUIS

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TO: DIRECTOR MEMPHIS CHICAGO

FROM: ST. LOUIS (44-775) 1P

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JERRY RAY WILL RETURN TO CHICAGO EMPLOYMENT, LEAVING ST.

LOUIS TWO PM TOMORROW. EMPLOYER HAS SECURED NEW RESIDENCE FOR

HIM, LOCATION UNKNOWN. SPENT MORNING WITH PROTHER JOHN, AFTERNOON

AND EVENING WITH SISTER CAROL PEPPER. WILL ADVISE ST. LOUIS

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Via AIRTEL

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DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

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SAC, BOSTON (157-644) (P)

SECTION: MURKIN

(GRIVEMERIS)

Re Albany airtel to Rureau dated 5/1/68.

F. J. HANAVAN, Sales Manager, AMETEK, Inc., South Portland, stated on 5/7/68 that the location of the identified Thermo-Seal Machines cannot be located through AMETEK records, South Forfland, on the information set forth in referenced airtel.

He advised that the companies listed on the referenced airruel were believed by him to be located in the New York, Long Island, and New Jersey area and that contact with SAM GIAMIO, Salam Manager, and BILL FISKAME, Service Manager, of the Pantexrespently Division of AMEREK at 4 Station Square, Rutherford, New Jersey would probably identify the companies and establish their current addresses. HANAVAN stated that Budget Cleaners Georgery Unit 32368 shipped on 7/27/62 was probably shipped to Isstant Mesnern, 45 Averse B, How York, New York, and that Ideals to New-Close for part, it's Middle Neek Road, Great Neck. The Estand, der York, or the name company at 192-10 Lingen Go Your Bit. Albans. New York.

For deformation of Newark and New York, Albany in the ble on sir'el advised that regarding "hermo-Seal Machines

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shipped to Fantex-Prosperity Textile Marking Machine Company, records disclosed nothing regarding the following Thermo-Seal Machines:

Serial Numbers 32146, 32151, 31992, 31430, 31437, 31331, 31656.

Mr. DONALD BROTON, Textile Marking Machine Company, advised that most of these machines were purchased in connection with sales of complete laundry facilities by Pantex-Prosperity and therefore their contract records should show what happened to these machines. Textile Marking Machine records which would show names other than Pantex Prosperity on these machines have been destroyed because of age. These records show the following regarding the following Thermo-Seal Machines:

SERIAL y	PANTEX - PROSPERITY ORDER NUMBER	DATE	IDENTITY OF COMPANY FOR WHOM PURCHASED
J2068	406	1/8/62	JESS A. HILAND
32307	544	4/12/68	T&C Cleaners, Huntington (no state shown)
32368	688	7/27/62	Budget Cleaners
32440	753	8/15/62	Francine
32449	509	No date	RON HIL Plainview, (no state)
32695	1154	5/3/63	Country Squire Drive-In Cleaners. In addition, the name Meadowlark is also noted.
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Mr. BRCTOW further advised that those machines may have the first select by Delta Cleaners and Equipment Company, 875 Prosect Switches, desthury, Long Island. who installed the majority is the machines for Pantex-Prosperity. He stated however that Delta Chestern and Equipment Company is believed to be now out of busi-test on the bankrup or and those records particularly those prior as large not be available.

bear Serial Numbers 32146, 32151, 31992, 31430, 31437, 31331, and 31656. If so, will locate the whereabouts of these machines and conduct the investigation requested in Memphis airtel to All Continental Offices dated 4/19/68.

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DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM:

SAC, DETROIT (44-989)

SUBJECT:

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Re Houston airtel to Bureau, dated 5/3/68.

On 5/8/68, a check of the Shelby, Michigan telephone directory indicated that telephone number 616-861-2456, is listed to GUADALUPE HERRERA, 68 Grant Street, Shelby, Michigan.

On 5/8/68, Mrs. GUADALUPE HERRERA advised that she has had the above telephone number for several years and that on 12/17/67, she received a phone call at that number from her son by prior marriage, AMADO DUGA. AMADO DUGA called her from Texas and spoke to her about family matters. She indicated she has limited contact with AMADO DUGA and does not know his current address although he normally lives in the vicinity of Brownsville, Texas.

Mrs. GUADALUPE HERRERA examined the Wanted Flyer and Identification Order pertaining to JAMES EARL MAY and indicated that she does not know this individual and that she has no information whatsoever re the assassmation of Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. She emphasized that the above telephone call had no connection whatsoever with this murder and was merely a family conversation.

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:DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

DATE: 5/8/68

FROM : SAC, DENVER (157-203)

SUBJECT MURKIN

TO

Re Houston airtel to Bureau 5/3/68.

Re Denver airtel to Bureau 5/7/68.

LOUISE CARROLL, Specialist-5, Defense Communications Agency, Western Hemisphere, Fort Carson, Colorado, advised on 5/8/68, she lives at  $111\frac{1}{2}$  West Cheyenne Road, Colorado Springs, Colorado, with LaVERNE BAKER and DIANE PATTERSON. The telephone number is 303-636-1773, and is in the name of LaVERNE BAKER.

Miss CARROLL advised she has a boyfriend, one ROBERT BROUSSARD, who works in his father's store, Henry Broussard Food Fair, Beaumont, Texas. He resides at 8775 Old Sour Lake Road, Beaumont. Miss CARROLL stated during the months of December, 1968, and January, 1968, ROBERT BROUSSARD telephoned her two or three times a week. She recalled on one occasion he made a phone call from a pay station. She remembered this because the operator cut in and she remembered the fact that he had to put additional money in the phone. She stated that ROBERT BROUSSARD stated he was away from home and away from the store at the time. She believed this was about 12/16/67.

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# Memorandum

Mr. Rosen

C.L. McGowan

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE:

May 8, 1968

l - Mr. McGowan

1 - Mr. Long

At 6:20 p.m., 5-8-68, an individual telephonically contacted Extra-Duty Supervisor H.E. Helgeson. He identified himself as James Lewis, 406 Columbus Avenue, Boston, Massachusetts. He stated that he is employed as a cleaner at the War Memorial Building on West Newton Street, Boston. He advised that about 4:15 p.m., 5-8-68, he observed an individual walking in front of the War Memorial Building who appeared to be similar in description to James Earl Ray. He described this individual as a white male, age 36, 5'll', 165 pounds, "sway backed," black hair, and dimples in his cheeks. He furnished no further information.

# ACTION:

Above furnished to Night Supervisor Mike McDonough, Boston Office, who was advised that Lewis should be contacted and shown current photographs of Ray and whatever investigation possibly should be conducted to identify the unknown individual referred to by Lewis.

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TO DIBECTOR 44-39961 PITTSBURGH

FROM TAMPA 157-3231

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ONE C.C. RENMETT, TAMPA FLA TELEPHONICALLY CONTACTED TAMPA
OFFICE TODAY TO STATE A BAR ACQUAINTANCE OF PAST COUPLE DAYS
GREATLY RESEMBLES PHOTOGRAPH OF JAMES EARL RAY. THIS UNKNOWN WHITE
MALE TOLD BENNETT HE WAS STAYING AT INTERNATIONAL INN, TAMPA AND
BENNETT FURNISHED TAMPA OFFICE LICENSE NUMBER OF RENTAL CAR DRIVEN
BY UNKNOWN MALE, SAID TO BE TRAVELING WITH TWO OTHER MALES.

INVESTIGATION REVEALS RENTAL CAR TURNED IN FIVE: ZERO THREE PM TODAY AT AVIS RENT-A-CAR AGENCY TAMPA INTERNATIONAL AIRPOORT BY MAN UNDER N NAME DONALD JAMES MACDONALD, THREE FIVE THREE ONE FLEMING AVE, PITTSBURGH, PA., WHO EXHIBITED PAR PRIVERS LIC # ZERO NINE SIX ZERO SEVEN EIGHT SIX FIVE, TEXACO CREDIT CARD

# AND ESSO CREDIT

LORETTA BREHM, AVIS EMPLOYEE AT AIRPORT, HANDLED CAR CHECK IN STATES MACDONALD W/M FIVE FT. TEN INCHES, IN MID THIRTIES, WITH END PAGE ONE

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PAGE TWO VFRY THICK DARK HAIR. MEDIUM LENGTH. GOOD SUN TAN. PAID CASY FOR CAR RENTAL, WAS WITH TWO OTHER MEN AT TIME OF CHECKOUT, ASSUMED TO BE PREPARING TO TAKE FLIGHT OUT OF TAMPA. CAR RENTED AT ELEVEN THIRTYFOUR AM FIVE-FIVE-SIXTYEIGHT AT AIRPORT ACCORDING TO RECORDS. INVIEWING PHOTOGRPHS OF RAY. BREHM SAID MACDONALD RESEMBLES PHOTOGRAPH ON EXTREME RIGHT OF THE THREE SHOWN ON IO NUMBER FOUR ONE EIGHT TWO. BUT DOES NOT RESEMBLE PHOTOGRAPH RAY TAKEN TWO-SIXTYEIGHT IN CALIFORNIA. STATES MACDONALD LOOKED YOUNGER THAN THIS PHOTOGRAPH TO BEST OF HER RECOLLECTION. INVESTIGATION INTERNATIONAL INN REVEALS NO CHECKOUT OF ANYONE BY NAME MACDONALD ON FIVE-EIGHT-SIXTYEIGHT. PITTSBURGH DETERMINE IF ONE DONALD JAMES MACDONALD RESIDES THREE FIVE THREE ONE FLEMING AVE. PITISBURGH AND WHETER OR NOT IDENTICAL RAY. AIRMAIL COPIES TO BH- 44-1740 AND ME 44-1987 ARMFD AND DANGEROUS. END LLD FBI WASH DC Ρ 2025 RELEASE UNDER E.O. 14176

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TO: BUREAU (44-38861) AND CLEVELAND

FROM: MOBILE (157-2627)

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MAY EIGHT, SIXTYEIGHT, MRS. MABEL BAILEY, LICENSE CLERK,
DALLAS COUNTY, ALA. PROBATE COURT, ADVISED THAT SIXTYEIGHT ALA.
LICENSE TWO SEVEN DASH ONE SEVEN EIGHT SIX FOUR IS ISSUED TO
WALLACE GREATHOUSE, RT. ONE, SELMA, ALA., FOR A FIFTYNINE PONTIAC,
TWO DOOR CATALINA, VIN ONE FIVE NINE T FOUR SIX FIVE SEVEN,
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AUGUSTA. GA.

THIS LICENSE HAD BEEN ORDERED BY MAIL AND IN ORDERING THE TAG GREATHOUSE SAID HE WAS EMPLOYED WITH JAMES H. DREW SHOWS IN TRAVEL STATUS.

CLEVELAND REFER TO MOLET TO ALL OFFICES TWELVE NINETEEN, SIXTYSEVEN, CAPTIONED, ALA. CAR, ITSMV MATTERS, WHICH SET OUT INFORMATION CONCERNING MAIL ORDER TAGS ISSUED IN SEVERAL ALA. COUNTIES. IT IS NOTED THAT PERSON ORDERING MAIL ORDER TAG MUST ONLY IDENTIFY HIMSELF AS EMPLOYED IN THE ENTERTAINMENT BUSINESS OR THE MILITARY AND FURNISH ADDRESS WHERE TAG IS TO BE MAILED.

CLEVELAND DETERMINE IF JAMES H. DREW SHOWS OPERATING IN THE ALLIANCE, OHIO, AREA, AND CONDUCT NECESSARY INVESTIGATION TO LOCATE AND ELEIMINATE GREATHOUSE.

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TO:

DIRECTOR, PBI (44-38881)

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SAC, SEATTLE (44-371)(P)

SUBJECT: MURKIN

RE: WILSHIRE BOOK COMPANY, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

He New York teletype to Director and SAC's dated 4/25/58; Seattle teletype to Director and Birmingham dated 4/29/68; Birmingham teletype to Director and Mempuls dated 5/1/68; (No copy of any of these communications directed to Mouston.)

Referenced New York teletype advised that the mailing list of the Wilshire Book Company consisting of approximately 30,000 names was reviewed by SA's for the names of GAULT and JAMES E. RAY. This search was negative. The review of the SA's revealed several individuals named RAY, including one B. J. RAY, 327 First Avenue E., Pacific, Washington.

Investigation at Pacific, Washington, reflects one GERALD D. HAY resided at 327 First Ave. E., Pacific, Washington, until approximately the end of March, 1958, when he reportedly was transferred by the Boeing Company to New York. This RAY was reported to be the former mayor of Algona, Washington, and to be a reputable citizen.

The records of the Boeing Company revealed that one GERARD D. RAY, same address, had been employed as a supervisor

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with a secret clearance, born \_\_\_\_\_\_, and the records revealed he was presently assigned to the Research Park Center, Huntsville, Alabama.

Referenced teletype from Birmingham revealed that on April 30, 1968, WALTER HARGROVE, Security Officer for the Huntsville Division of the Boeing Company, reviewed all available personnel records and advised that there was no GERALD D. RAY presently employed at Huntsville Division from any other Boeing Division and HARGROVE could not furnish any information regarding RAY.

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## HOUSTON

#### AT HOUSTON, TEXAS

Contact GERARD D. RAY to determine the identity of B. J. RAY and if he is related to subject JAMES EARL RAY.

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