

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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TO : The Director

DATE: *May 20, 1968*

FROM : N. P. Callahan

SUBJECT: The Congressional Record

Pages S5850-S5851. Senator Long, (D) Louisiana, requested to have printed in the Record an article from the May 3, 1968, issue of Life magazine entitled "The Story of the Accused Killer of Dr. King."

Original file

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In the original of a memorandum captioned and dated as above, the Congressional Record for *May 17, 1968* was reviewed and pertinent items were marked for the Director's attention. This form has been prepared in order that portions of a copy of the original memorandum may be clipped, mounted, and placed in appropriate Bureau case or subject matter files.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
 FROM: *JWS* SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)(P)
 SUBJECT: *to* MURKIN

RE FLOYD EVANS HILL, aka
 Jimmy Lee Hill
 Former Missouri State
 Penitentiary Inmate
 with Subject.

Re San Francisco teletype to Los Angeles dated
 5/22/68.

The following investigation was conducted by SA
 LEO C. BAILEY at Los Padres, California.

Records, State of California, Department of
 Corrections, California Men's Colony, East Facility, that
 were made available on 5/24/68 by Records Officer ROBERT
 TAKAHASHI, contained the following information on FLOYD
 EVANS HILL, California State Prison No. B11112:

HILL, charged as JIMMY LEE HILL, was received
 by the California Department of Corrections on 10/3/67
 from Los Angeles County to serve a six months to ten years
 sentence for Grand Theft of a Firearm, which sentence was
 ordered to run consecutively to Missouri sentence to which
 HILL is subject. HILL was arrested on this charge on 6/17/67,
 at which time he had a revolver in the unlocked glove com-
 partment of his vehicle.

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At San Francisco telephone number 422-1111

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Records, State of California, Department of Corrections, California Men's Colony, East Facility, West Branch Road, Colton, California 92308 were made available on 6/27/68 by Records Officer ROBERT TAYLOR. Contained the following information on LEOYD ELMAN: CALIFORNIA STATE PRISON NO. 11111.

HILL is subject. HILL was arrested on this charge on a 1946 sentence for Grand Theft of a Firearm, which sentence was from Los Angeles County to serve a six months to ten years by the California Department of Corrections on 10/28/47. HILL, during an ARMY POW HILL, was received

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These records revealed that HILL was convicted of Grand Theft in the Circuit Court, State of Missouri, County of Barton on 10/10/66, and was sentenced to State Prison. HILL was paroled to California from Missouri on 5/16/67.

A social evaluation of HILL reveals he has average intelligence, but has a noticeable difficulty accurately expressing himself. His lack of education tends to be magnified by his hillbilly accent, and backwoods logic.

HILL was on parole from Missouri and had been out of that institution only a very short period of time prior to his involvement leading to his arrest and continual confinement since 6/17/67.

On 5/24/68, FLOYD EVANS HILL, California State Prison No. B11112 was interviewed at the above institution and furnished the following information:

He was arrested 6/17/67 by Los Angeles Sheriff's Office near Compton, California, has been in continual confinement since, and is serving a sentence of six months to ten years for Grand Theft of Pistol.

He was arrested for Grand Theft of Copper Wire in Barton County, Missouri in October, 1966, convicted, and sentenced to the Missouri State Penitentiary for a two years period. By about 11/21/66, he arrived at the Missouri State Penitentiary, Jefferson City, Missouri, to start serving his sentence, and where he was confined for about 1½ months thereafter being transferred to the Men's Institution Training Center, Moberly, Missouri, where he remained for about six months. From there, he was transferred to a Missouri State Penitentiary honor farm called Rinse Farm (phonetic) which is just across the bridge from the State Prison at Jefferson City, where he was confined for only a couple of weeks prior

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These records reflect that HILL was convicted

of Grand Theft in the State of Missouri, County of Barton on 10/10/58, and was sentenced to State Prison. HILL was paroled to California from Missouri on 1/10/60.

A social evaluation of HILL reveals he has average intelligence, but has a noticeable difficulty accurately expressing himself. His lack of education tends to be masked by his slightly accent, and awkward logic.

HILL was on parole from Missouri and had been out of that institution only a very short period of time prior to his involvement leading to his arrest and continued confinement since 5/1/60.

On 5/24/60, WYOYD HILL, California State Prison No. 11112 was interviewed at the above institution and furnished the following information:

He was arrested 5/1/60 by Los Angeles Sheriff's Office near Compton, California, has been in continual confinement since, and is serving a sentence of six months to ten years for Grand Theft of Pistol.

He was arrested for Grand Theft of Cooper Wire in Barton County, Missouri in October, 1958, convicted, and sentenced to the Missouri State Penitentiary for a two year period. By about 11/1/58, he arrived at the Missouri State Penitentiary, Jefferson City, Missouri, to start serving his sentence, and where he was confined for about 10 months before being transferred to the Men's Institution in St. Louis, Missouri, where he was confined for about 10 months. He was transferred to a Missouri State Penitentiary honor farm called Rains Farm (phonetic) in 1960, where he was confined for only a couple of weeks before

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to release on parole on 5/16/67. When released on parole, he flew to California by airlines and was on the street about one month prior to his arrest confinement on 6/17/67.

At the Missouri State Penitentiary, Jefferson City, he was confined in a two-man cell, but was moved around quite a bit and had quite a few different cellmates. At Moberly, Missouri, they had individual cells, and Rinse Farm housed them in barrack-type buildings.

HILL said he knew a lot of the inmates in the Missouri State Penitentiary at the above locations, but he does not know their names. He initially stated that he cannot place JAMES EARL RAY by name, photograph, or description as having been a cellmate at any of the above institutions. Upon further reflection and consideration, EVANS thought the center photograph on the FBI Wanted Flyer No. 442-A looked a little familiar to him, but he still definitely does not recognize RAY as having been one of his cellmates. He said that if RAY is identical to the person who he recalls resembled the center photograph on the above Wanted Flyer, that person was only a casual acquaintance of his. The man who resembled the center photograph on the Wanted Flyer walked back and forth to work with him at Moberly, Missouri Institution. The person who resembled the photograph on the Wanted Flyer worked in the woodshop at Moberly and HILL went to school there for a while and worked in the plumbing shop. HILL stated he did not get too well acquainted with this individual and can recall nothing of value about the person that he thinks resembles RAY except that person claimed to know quite a bit about safes, was to get out soon and wanted some help in writing up scores which HILL ignored since he wanted no part of it. As he recalls, the person he knew who resembled the center photograph on the Wanted Flyer of RAY wanted to score on safes in California and "go to Mexico and cool it." EVANS stated that since he was not interested in the matter, no specific place in California or Mexico was mentioned.

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At the Missouri State Penitentiary, Jefferson City, Missouri, on a two-man cell, one was named Edward (Ed) and had quite a few different cellmates. At one time, they had individual cells, and James Earl Ray was in a black-type building.

Will said he knew a lot of the inmates in the Missouri State Penitentiary at the above location, but he does not know their names. He initially stated that he cannot place JAMES EARL RAY by name, appearance, or description as having been a inmate at any of the above institutions. Upon further reflection and consideration, JAMES EARL RAY center photograph on the FBI Wanted Flyer No. 44-A-1006 is a little familiar to him, but he still definitely does not recognize RAY as having been one of his cellmates. He said that RAY is identical to the person who he recalls resembled the center photograph on the above wanted flyer. That person was only a casual acquaintance of his. The man who resembled the center photograph on the wanted flyer walked back and forth to work with him at Moberly, Missouri Institution. The person who resembled the photograph on the wanted flyer worked in the woodshop at Moberly and WILL went to school there for a while and worked in the plumbing shop. WILL stated he did not get too well acquainted with this individual and can recall nothing of value about the person that he recalls resembles RAY except that person claimed to know quite a bit about sales, was to get out soon and wanted some help in writing up scores which WILL learned since he wanted no part of it. As he recalls, the person he knew who resembled the center photograph on the wanted flyer of RAY wanted to work on sales in California and "go to Mexico and cool it." JAMES stated that since he was not interested in the matter, no specific place in California or Mexico was mentioned.

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EVANS repeatedly denied that he knows RAY or anything about RAY other than stated that above and was emphatic in pointing out that he had no contact with RAY or the person who resembled RAY when he, HALL, was in California on the street in May and April, 1967.

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Mr. Casper	_____
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TO DIRECTOR (44-38861)

FROM SAN ANTONIO (44-1242)

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REBURAD MAY TWENTYONE LAST AND SAN ANTONIO TEL TO THE
BUREAU MAY TWENTYTHREE LAST.

ON MAY TWENTYSEVEN INSTANT CONFERENCE WAS HELD WITH A. F.
TEMPLE, CHIEF, DRIVER AND VEHICLE RECORDS, DIV., AND JOEL
TISDALE, CHIEF, IDENTIFICATION AND CRIMINAL RECORDS DIV.,
TEXAS DPS, AUSTIN, TEXAS, TO SEE IF ANY POSSIBLE WAYS COULD
BE DEVISED TO EFFECT COVERAGE OF ALL NEW APPLICATIONS SUB-
MITTED FOR DRIVER'S LICENSE FOR MONTHS OF APRIL AND MAY,
SIXTYEIGHT, BY MALE CAUCASIANS BETWEEN AGES THIRTY AND FIFTY-
FIVE. CHIEF TEMPLE ADVISED DRIVERS LICENSE BUREAU USES THE
SOUNDEX SYSTEM AND DRIVERS LICENSE RECORDS HAVE NOT, TO DATE,
BEEN COMPUTERIZED. THE DRIVERS LICENSE BUREAU HAS THREE
HUNDRED SUB-STATIONS AROUND THE STATE OF TEXAS THAT SUBMIT
LICENSE APPLICATIONS ON A DAILY BASIS. NEW APPLICANTS MUST
SUBMIT DOCUMENTARY EVIDENCE OF BIRTH SUCH AS BIRTH CERTIFICATE,
INSURANCE POLICY OVER FIVE YEARS OR CHURCH RECORDS. APPROXI-

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TO DIRECTOR (44-38861)

FROM SAN ANTONIO (44-1542)

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REURBAN MAY TWENTY LAST.

ON MAY TWENTY LAST, TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

TEXTILE, CHIEF, DRIVER AND LICENSE RECORDS, MAY, AND JOHN

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TEXAS, CHIEF, TEXAS, TO SEE IF ANY POSSIBLE WAYS COULD

BE DEVISED TO RECOVER COPIES OF ALL NEW IDENTIFICATION

MAILED FOR DRIVER LICENSES FOR COMING OF APRIL AND MAY.

SIXTYEIGHT, BY MAIL COPIES WERE SENT APRIL TWENTY AND FIFTY-

THREE, CHIEF TEXAS ADVISED DRIVER LICENSES WERE SENT

BOBBY BRYAN AND DRIVER LICENSE RECORDS WERE SENT TO

REURBAN MAY TWENTY LAST. THE DRIVER LICENSE RECORDS WERE SENT

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MATELY THREE HUNDRED THOUSAND APPLICATIONS OF ALL TYPES ARE RECEIVED MONTHLY INTO THE SOUNDEX SYSTEM AT HEADQUARTERS IN AUSTIN. THERE ARE CURRENTLY SIX AND ONE HALF MILLION APPLICATIONS ON FILE. TO LOCATE THE APPROXIMATE SIX HUNDRED THOUSAND ^OFOR APRIL AND MAY WOULD TAKE MANUAL REVIEW OF EACH SIX AND ONE-HALF MILLION INDIVIDUAL RECORDS. THE DRIVER LICENSE BUREAU STARTED PHOTOGRAPHING LICENSEES JANUARY ONE, LAST. THESE FILM RECORDS ARE MAINTAINED SEPARATELY BY SUBSTATION ON FILM SUBMITTED DAILY. NO EQUIPMENT AVAILABLE FOR VISUAL REVIEW OF FILM NEGATIVES AND ONLY WAY TO REVIEW FILM NEGATIVES WOULD BE TO HAVE FILM COMPANY MAKE THE BUREAU A COPY OF EACH NEGATIVE. DPS PAYS TWENTYFIVE POINT EIGHT CENTS PER COPY. FOR APRIL THERE WOULD BE APPROXIMATELY THREE HUNDRED THOUSAND NEGATIVES. DPS IS CURRENTLY APPROXIMATELY THREE WEEKS IN ARREARS IN MAILING OUT LICENSES. FBI AGENTS COULD VIEW THESE LICENSES THAT ARE IN ARREARS AND THEN REVIEW LICENSES ON A CURRENT BASIS AS RECEIVED AT DRIVERS LICENSE BUREAU, AUSTIN. IT WOULD TAKE FOUR AGENTS TO WORK WITH EACH OF THE FOUR DESKS

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MAILING OUT LICENSES AT DRIVER LICENSE BUREAU. THEY MAIL OUT APPROXIMATELY THIRTEEN THOUSAND DAILY. THEY ARE CURRENTLY MAILING OUT LICENSE FOR MAY ONE LAST. CHIEF TEMPLE, WHO HAS BEEN MOST COOPERATIVE IN THE PAST, STATED HE IS DESIROU^S OF DOING EVERYTHING POSSIBLE TO ASSIST BUREAU IN THIS MATTER, AND EVEN THOUGH HE HAS AN ACUTE SPACE PROBLEM HE WOULD ENDEAVOR TO MAKE ROOM FOR FOUR AGENTS TO WORK IN DRIVER LICENSE BUREAU SHOULD THE BUREAU DESIRE, OR HE WILL GIVE WANTED FLYERS AND 10 CIRCULARS TO EACH EMPLOYEE MAILING OUT LICENSES AND ASK THEM TO BE ALERT FOR ANYONE RESEMBLING RAY. THIS DATE CIRCULARS AND OTHER PHOTOS OF RAY GIVEN CHIEF TEMPLE FOR THIS DISTRIBUTION. CHIEF TEMPLE IS OF OPINION FICTITIOUS LICENSES FOR STATE OF TEXAS UNDER CURRENT POLICIES WOULD BE DIFFICULT IN VIEW OF FACT DOCUMENTARY EVIDENCE OF BIRTH, PHOTOGRAPH OF LICENSEE, AND THUMB PRINT ARE REQUIRED FOR EACH APPLICANT.

LATTER SUGGESTION OF CHIEF TEMPLE BEING FOLLOWED, UACB.

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DOING EVERYTHING POSSIBLE TO ASSIST BUREAU IN THIS MATTER.

AND THEN THOUGH HE HAS AN ACUTE SPACE PROBLEM HE WOULD BE WILING

TO MAKE ROOM FOR FOUR AGENTS TO WORK IN DRIVER LICENSE BUREAU

SHOULD THE BUREAU DESIRE. HE WILL GIVE WANTED FLYERS AND

TO CIRCULARS TO EACH EMPLOYEE WILLING OUT LICENSES AND ASK

THEM TO BE ALERT FOR ANYONE RESEMBLING RAY. THIS DATE

CIRCULARS AND OTHER ACTION OF RAY GIVEN CHIEF TEMPLE FOR THIS

DISTRIBUTION. CHIEF TEMPLE IN OF OPINION FICTITIOUS LICENSES

FOR STATE OF TEXAS UNDER CURRENT POLICIES WOULD BE DIFFICULT

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LATTER SUGGESTION OF CHIEF TEMPLE BEING FOLLOWED, WAG.

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7:35 PM URGENT 5-27-68 DPK

TO DIRECTOR, ATLANTA, AND BIRMINGHAM
FROM LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

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RE ATLANTA TELETYPE MAY TWENTY FOUR LAST AND LOS ANGELES
TELETYPE MAY TWENTY FIVE LAST.

RE JAMES P. THORNTON:

RECORDS SECURITY FIRST NATIONAL BANK, WEST ANAHEIM
BRANCH, ANAHEIM, CALIFORNIA, AS REVIEWED THIS DATE INDICATE
JAMES P. THORNTON, ONE TWO SEVEN THREE FIVE CARDINAL AVENUE,
GARDEN GROVE, CALIFORNIA, OPENED A CHECKING ACCOUNT OCTOBER
THIRTY, SIXTY SEVEN, WHICH ACCOUNT STILL OPEN WITH SMALL
BALANCE. THORNTON INDICATED EMPLOYED AS A COLLECTOR BY
TRANSAMERICA CREDIT CORPORATION, ANAHEIM, AND ONLY CHECK
BEING CLEARED IS TO FRANCHISE TAX BOARD, STATE OF CALIFORNIA.
ALSO DETERMINED THIS DATE THAT TOM AND MARGE RELEY HAVE
RESIDED AT ONE TWO SEVEN THREE FIVE CARDINAL AVENUE, GARDEN
GROVE, FOR FOUR YEARS. FURTHER THAT MARGE RELEY'S SON BY

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TO DIRECTOR, ATLANTA, AND BIRMINGHAM

FROM LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

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RE ATLANTA TELETYPE MAY TWENTY FOUR LAST AND LOS ANGELES

TELETYPE MAY TWENTY FIVE LAST.

RE JAMES E. THORNTON;

RECORDS SECTION FIRST NATIONAL BANK, WEST WASHINGTON
BRANCH, WASHINGTON, D.C., AS REVIEWED THIS DATE INDICATE
JAMES E. THORNTON, ONE TWO SEVEN THREE FIVE CARDINAL AVENUE,
CARLIN, CALIFORNIA, OPENED A CHECKING ACCOUNT OCTOBER
TWENTY, SIXTY SEVEN, WHICH ACCOUNT STILL OPEN WITH SMALL
BALANCE. THORNTON INDICATED EMPLOYED AS A COLLECTOR BY
TRANSMERICA CREDIT CORPORATION, WASHINGTON, AND ONLY CHECK

BEING CASHED IS TO FEDERAL TAX BOARD, STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

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IT IS ALSO DETERMINED THIS INFORMATION AND MARCE REPLY HAVE

RESIDED AT ONE TWO SEVEN THREE FIVE CARDINAL AVENUE

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SECTION, FOR SOME YEARS. INFORMATION THAT JAMES E. THORNTON BY

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FORMER MARRIAGE USING NAME JIM THORNTON LIVED AT ABOVE ADDRESS FROM FALL OF SIXTY SEVEN WHEN DISCHARGED FROM MILITARY SERVICE TO APRIL, SIXTY EIGHT, WHEN MOVED TO ATLANTA, GEORGIA, BECAUSE TRANSFERRED BY FINANCE COMPANY FOR WHICH HE WAS EMPLOYED.

FOR INFORMATION OF ATLANTA, THORNTON ENTERED U.S. ARMY ON JUNE FIFTEEN NINETEEN SIXTY FIVE AT LOS ANGELES AND PROCEEDED TO FORT POLK, LOUISIANA. HE WAS ASSIGNED ASN FIVE SIX THREE EIGHT SIX FIVE FIVE THREE. IN MARCH, NINETEEN SIXTY SEVEN, HE WAS STATIONED AT FORT BLISS, TEXAS. PHOTOS ARE BEING SHOWN IN GARDEN GROVE, CALIFORNIA, AREA. ATLANTA REQUESTED TO ADVISE LOS ANGELES OF INTERVIEW OF THORNTON.

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WELLY. ALFARIN REQUESTED TO ADVISE FOR WELLY OF
INVEST. BRUCE WAS BEING SHOWN IN GARDEN HOUSE. CAPTAIN WELLY.
NINETEEN SIXTY SEVEN. HE WAS SIXTYONE AT FORTY EIGHT.
WELLY SIX THREE EIGHT SIX FIVE FIVE THREE. IN WELLY.
AND PROCEEDED TO FORTY FORT. FORTYONE. HE WAS ASSIGNED
WELLY ON FIVE EIGHTEEN NINETEEN SIXTY FIVE AT FORT WELLY

FOR INFORMATION OF WELLY. INFORMATION ENTERED U.S.
FOR WHICH HE WAS EMPLOYED.

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WELLY SERVICE TO WELLY. SIXTY EIGHT. WHEN WELLY TO
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8:13PMURGENT 5-27-68 LCS

TO DIRECTOR AND MEMPHIS

FROM ATLANTA 44-2386

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SUMMARY OF INVESTIGATION CONDUCTED MAY TWENTYSEVEN
INSTANT.

INVESTIGATION CONTINUING TO CHECK SAFE DEPOSIT BOXES
AT BANKS IN ATLANTA METROPOLITAN AREA. INVESTIGATION TO
DATE NEGATIVE.

NUMEROUS EFFORTS TO LOCATE HAROLD G. ANDERSON UNSUCCESSFUL.

JAMES P. THORNTON'S EMPLOYMENT AT PACIFIC FINANCE CO.,
WEST PEACHTREE ST., ATLANTA, VERIFIED. THORNTON WILL BE
CONTACTED BY AGENTS IN A SECURE LOCATION WITHOUT PRIOR
NOTICE TO THORNTON IN VIEW OF HIS PAST ACTIVITIES WITH
NATIONAL STATES RIGHTS PARTY (NSRP) AND WITH JERRY DUTTON,
FORMERLY ASSOCIATED WITH NSRP AND AMERICAN STATES RIGHTS
PARTY.

CARL LOOSIER, NEIGHBOR OF THORNTON AND DUTTON, ADVISED
THORNTON AND DUTTON'S DO NOT APPEAR TO HAVE HAD ANY
RECENT VISITORS.

INVESTIGATION CONTINUING.

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RE: BUREAU 5-2-68 100

TO DIRECTOR AND MEMPHIS

FROM ATLANTA 44-3300

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NUMBER OF INVESTIGATION CONDUCTED MAY TWENTYSEVEN

INSTANT.

INVESTIGATION CONTINUING TO CHECK SAFE DEPOSIT BOXES

AT BANKS IN ATLANTA METROPOLITAN AREA. INVESTIGATION TO

DATE REWATIVE.

WARRANTS ISSUED TO LOCATE HAROLD G. ANDERSON UNSUCCESSFUL.

JAMES E. THORNTON'S EMPLOYMENT AT PACIFIC RIMMER CO.,

WEST BOSTON, MA., ATLANTA, VERIFIED. THORNTON WILL BE

CONTACTED BY AGENTS IN A SECURE LOCATION WITHOUT BEING

NOTICE TO THORNTON IN VIEW OF HIS PAST ACTIVITIES WITH

NATIONAL STATES RIGHTS PARTY (NSRP) AND WITH JERRY BUTLER,

FORMERLY ASSOCIATED WITH MORN AND AMERICAN STATES RIGHTS

PARTY.

CARL LOOSER, MEMBER OF THORNTON AND BUTLER, ADVISED

THORNTON AND BUTLER DO NOT APPEAR TO HAVE HAD ANY

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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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TO DIRECTOR AND MEMPHIS

FROM ST. LOUIS (44-775)

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MURKIN - SUMMARY

RE GRAPEVINE TAVERN. CONTACT WITH USA RIDDLE TODAY DISCLOSED STATE LIQUOR QUESTIONNAIRE FOR GRAPEVINE DUE ON OR BEFORE JUNE ONE NOT YET RECEIVED.

RE JUDGE JOHN C. CASEY. CASEY STILL HAS MOTION TO DISMISS SUBJECTS MOTION TO VACATE UNDER ADVISEMENT. NO PUBLICITY NOTED.

RE JOHN LARRY RAY. NEIGHBORHOODS OF FORMER RESIDENCES CONDUCTED. NO INFORMATION OF PERTINENCE TO LOCATION OF SUBJECT ADDUCED. ATTEMPTS TO LOCATE CLARENCE HAYNES, ASSOCIATE OF JOHN, AND HAYNES COMMON LAW WIFE RUBY, WHO IS GRAPEVINE DAY BARMAID, FOR INTERVIEW AWAY FROM GRAPEVINE UNSUCCESSFUL.

RE JERRY RAYNES, CAROL PEPPER. SOURCES AND SPOT CHECKS DISCLOSED NO SIGNIFICANT ACTIVITY.

RE EX-CONS JOHN PAUL VELANTI AND JAMES H. CARPENTER. APPOINTMENTS MADE FOR VELANTI AND CARPENTER INTERVIEWS TOMMORROW.

MISC. ATTEMPTS TO LOCATE FELLOW PRISONERS, PARTICULARLY ROBERT LYNN POWELL, AND PHONE TOLL CHECKS RESOLUTIONS CONTINUING.

SUBJECT ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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RBC/SS. RE M.C. King, Jr.
REVIEW AT TOLSON AND/OR DELIVERY
TO HSCA RE REQUEST DATED 5/13/78.
(SEE BUFILE 62-117290)

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URGENT 5-27-68 JLS

TO DIRECTOR AND MEMPHIS

FROM ST. LOUIS (44-730)

MURKIN - SHUNK

RE GRAEVINE TAVERN. CONTACT WITH TWO PEOPLE TODAY DISCLOSED STATE
THROUGH QUESTIONNAIRE FOR GRAEVINE BUT ON OF PERSONS WHO ONE NOT YET

RECEIVED.

RE JUDGE JOHN C. CARRY. CARRY STILL HAS MOTION TO DISMISS REQUESTED

MOTION TO VACATE UNDER ADVISORY. NO SUBSTANTIAL NOTES.

RE JOHN LARRY FAY. NEIGHBORHOOD OF FORGED RESIDENCES CONDUCTED. NO
INFORMATION OF RESIDENCE TO LOCATION OF SUBJECT ADVISED. ATTEMPTS TO

LOCATE CLARENCE HAYNES. ASSOCIATE OF LARRY. AND HAYNES COLLEGE LAW WITH
MURKIN. WHO IS GRAEVINE DAY FAYNES. FOR INTERVIEW WAY FROM GRAEVINE

UNSUCCESSFUL.

RE JERRY BAYNE, CAROL PETER. SEARCHED AND SPOT CHECKS DISCLOSED NO

SIGNIFICANT ACTIVITY.

RE EX-CONC JOHN PAUL VILLARD AND JAMES H. CARPENTER. APPOINTMENT

MADE FOR VILLARD AND CARPENTER INTERVIEW TOMORROW.

WISC. ATTEMPTS TO LOCATE ELLON BRIDGEMAN. MAY 20 7 04 AM '68

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ROBERT, AND FRONT TOLL CALLING PROSECUTION CONTINUING

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Body Isn't King's Slayer

MAHONNY CITY, Pa., May 28 (UPI) — A routine check of the dental charts of the accused assassin of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. yesterday confirmed he wasn't killed and buried in a shallow grave near here.

Police and FBI investigators never thought he was, but they made the dental comparison in following one of the "hundreds and hundreds" of leads into the disappearance of the suspect, James Earl Ray.

The dental evidence left police with no clues to the identity of the man whose body was unearthed May 8, the apparent victim of a gangland-style slaying.

Dr. Thomas Buckley, who compared Ray's charts with the man's facial skeleton in the Good Samaritan Hospital in nearby Pottsville, said, "It wasn't even a close call."

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1 - Mr. Hudson

To: SAC, San Diego (175-8)

From: Director, FBI

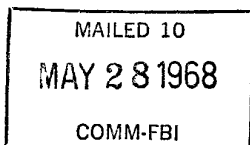
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RE: "Possible Threat Against Robert F. Kennedy, Presidential Candidate, Speech at Chula Vista, California, May 20, 1968, Information Concerning."

Reurairtel and LHM dated 5-23-68.

Investigation conducted by your office in an effort to identify the unknown individual who contacted Keith King is not adequate. You should conduct additional investigation in an effort to identify that individual as a suspect or co-conspirator in this case or to eliminate him. Such additional investigation should include but not be limited to checks of restaurants, motels, car rental businesses and cab companies servicing the area.

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1 - Mr. McGowan
1 - Mr. Long

TO: SAC, SAN DIEGO (44-387)
FROM: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
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VIA TELETYPE
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RESDTL TO BUREAU AND MEMPHIS DATED MAY SEVENTEEN LAST.
YOU SHOULD BY RETURN COMMUNICATION ADVISE IF VEHICLE
OBTAINED BY WILLIAM A. MARSHALL RECOVERED AND IF HE HAS
BEEN LOCATED AND INTERVIEWED. YOU SHOULD ALSO ADVISE
IF AUTHORITIES AT CHULA VISTA, CALIFORNIA, HAVE OUTSTANDING
WARRANT AGAINST MARSHALL FOR USE OF VEHICLE.

KEEP BUREAU FULLY ADVISED. AIR MAIL COPY TO MEMPHIS.
ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)

2 MAY 29 1968

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NOTE: William A. Marshall is a suspect look-alike. San Diego advised an individual giving name of William A. Marshall signed an escrow contract to purchase a home at Bonita, California, on 5/14/68, for \$51,000 giving a promisory type check for \$5,000 and indicated he had a \$65,000 certified check in his hotel room. Marshall claimed to be employed by International Harvest Company, Bloomington, Illinois, and recently transferred to San Diego area. He desired house so family could move to San Diego from Illinois. On 5/14/68, he attempted to purchase an automobile at Chula Vista, California, displaying escrow contract and automobile salesman gave keys of vehicle to Marshall. Description of Vehicle and Marshall placed in all points bulletin by California authorities and description of vehicle placed in NGAC. Chula Vista authorities

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advised that no stolen report filed on automobile as police department unable to accept due to circumstances under which Marshall obtained automobile. Authorities further advised that stolen report can be accepted ten days after vehicle missing.

San Diego being requested to advise as to current status of Marshall and any possible outstanding warrant as our investigation thus far unable to locate Marshall and verify any of facts as given by him.

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



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

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

Date: **May 28, 1968**

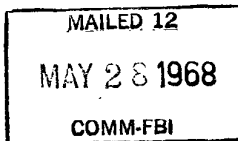
Re: **MURKIN**
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J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No. **44-38861**
Lab. No. **D-680527001 JK**

Examination requested by: **Cleveland**
Reference: **Airtel 5/23/68**
Examination requested: **Document**
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: **FBI, Memphis (44-1987)**Date: **May 28, 1968**Re: **MURKIN
CR**FBI File No. **44-38861**Lab. No. **D-680527001 JK****Request received 5/24/68****Specimens received
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Request for comparison of evidence submitted with Philadelphia communication dated 5/20/68 and evidence submitted with Miami communication dated 4/11/68

Result of examination:

The items submitted with Miami communication dated 4/11/68 (Q124, Q125 and Q126) contain only questioned hand printing while the letter and envelope (Q347 and Q348) submitted by Philadelphia communication dated 5/20/68 bear only typewriting and the handwritten signature "Eric S. Galt."

Because of the different means employed to prepare the questioned items previously mentioned they could not be satisfactorily compared.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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TO : Mr. Rosen *Red*

DATE: May 28, 1968

FROM : C. L. McGowan *CLM*

SUBJECT: MURKIN

1 - Mr. Rosen
1 - Mr. Malley
1 - Mr. Long
1 - Mr. McGowan

Lady

6/10
ASAC Stefansson of the San Antonio Office was telephonically contacted on the morning of 5/28/68 concerning the check of driver's license records in Texas.

It was pointed out it did not appear practical that if rolls of film were available there was no way to visually review the film except by having copies made of negatives. ASAC Stefansson was instructed to ascertain specifically what type of film was used, that is make and size and also ascertain whether or not mechanical equipment could be rented locally to review such film. If such can be handled, he is to advise the Bureau of the approximate cost. If such equipment cannot be obtained locally, he is to advise the Bureau so that a check may be made nationally to determine whether or not appropriate machines are available to visually review negatives.

It was pointed out that such material should be afforded expeditious attention because it would be necessary for Bureau personnel to review the records in an effort to determine whether or not subject has obtained a driver's license in the State of Texas. This is not a project which could be left up to individual clerical employees by leaving a copy of an IO and hoping that they pay some attention to it sometime during the day.

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1 - Mr. McGowan
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To: SACs, Dallas (44-2649)
Houston (44-1509)
Memphis (44-1987)
New Orleans (157-10673)

From: Director, FBI (44-38861)

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If not already done, Dallas, Houston, Memphis and New Orleans should check records of access to safety deposit boxes at banks in each of those cities for the month of April, 1968. Any individuals who made entry into such safety deposit boxes in this period should be eliminated as possibly being subject. This can primarily be done on the basis of length of time the box was rented or on the basis of the renter of the box being known to bank employees. Any questionable eliminations must be run out.

This is being suggested in light of the possibility that subject may have rented such a box and then while fleeing may have made entry for the purpose of withdrawing valuables.

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NOTE: In view of the fact that subject rented a safety deposit box in Birmingham, Ala., it is possible that he could have rented a safety deposit box in other cities. The divisions of Dallas, Houston, Memphis and New Orleans are being requested to ascertain the identity of individuals having safety deposit boxes in those cities and any questionable eliminations must be run out. This is being suggested in light of the possibility that subject may have rented such a box and then while fleeing may have made entry for the purpose of withdrawing valuables.

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TO DIRECTOR
FROM LEGAT TOKYO NO 36

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BUREAU WILL BE KEPT ADVISED.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
OFFICE OF THE PROVOST MARSHAL GENERAL
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20315

27 May 1968

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
ATTN: Mr. Patrick D. Putnam, Special Agent
Department of Justice
Washington, D. C. 20535

EXP. PROC.
37 MAY 29 1968

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the attached memorandum (Inclosure 1) from your Field Office at Knoxville, Tennessee, which contains an undeveloped lead pertaining to Major Henry J. McAden, 074 767.

The attached statement (Inclosure 2), which contains the results of interview with Major McAden regarding this matter, is furnished as requested.

We trust this information will be of assistance.

Sincerely yours,

John F. Hyde

JOHN F. HYDE
Colonel, MPC
Chief, Security &
Investigation Division

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In Reply, Please Refer to
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Knoxville, Tennessee
April 18, 1968

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Harvey Lowmeyer,
John Willard;
MARTIN LUTHER KING -
VICTIM;
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Captain Wilborn A. Ray, Instructor, Army ROTC, East Tennessee State University, Johnson City, Tennessee, advised that in about September, 1966, while stationed at Fort Eustis, Virginia, he and Army Major Henry McAden, a Negro now in Vietnam, were discussing racial problems when Dr. Martin Luther King's name came up. Ray continued he told McAden if Dr. King ever appeared in Memphis, Tennessee, he would be murdered. Captain Ray stated that he further told Major McAden that Dr. King would be shot while standing on a motel balcony, away from his friends, either looking over the area or praying. He said that he also told Major McAden that Dr. King's assassin would be aiming at his head but would hit him in the throat or high in the chest.

Captain Ray explained that later in either January or February, 1967, he and Major McAden were drinking in a club at Fort Eustis when McAden again brought up the subject of Dr. King's possible murder in Memphis, Tennessee. He stated that Major McAden asked him if he knew who would shoot Dr. King. He said that he replied that the man who would assassinate Dr. King was Eric Starvo Galt.

Ray stated he cannot explain why he was able to come forth with the above information and especially the name Eric Starvo Galt since he never knew anyone by

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that name, in fact, had never heard the name until after the assassination of Dr. King. He said, however, in the past on several occasions he had been able to predict future events.

Captain Ray requested that the information furnished in this matter be kept confidential since he is aware that it makes him appear a mental case, but he wants the information a matter of record since he feels that when Major McAden receives the details of Dr. King's death, he will recall their previous conversation concerning Dr. King's assassination in Memphis and will report it to military authorities.

On April 17, 1968, Agent Jerry Thurlow, Military Intelligence, Johnson City, Tennessee, advised that Captain Wilborn A. Ray, ROTC Instructor, East Tennessee State University, has an above average IQ, an excellent Army record, and is considered an above average instructor at East Tennessee State University. Thurlow added that Colonel Richard Krueger, Captain Ray's Commanding Officer at East Tennessee State University, has advised that at the time of Dr. King's death in Memphis, Tennessee, he and Captain Ray with other members of a bowling team were bowling in Johnson City, Tennessee.

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WITNESS STATEMENT

(AF FORM 10-1, 1-60)

Schlesinger, Hawaii

DATE 27 Apr 68

SOCIAL SECURITY ACCOUNT NO. GRADE

McADEN, Henry Johnson

MAJOR

USARPAC Field Systems Agency, Fort Shafter, Hawaii

SWORN STATEMENT

Henry Johnson McADEN

WANT TO MAKE THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT UNDER OATH

I became acquainted with Captain Wilborn RAY (then 2d LT) sometime in August 1962, when I was assigned to the 13th Psy War Bn at Fort Bragg, North Carolina. Later, when I became the S-4, RAY worked for me as Battalion Maintenance Officer. I lived at this time in government quarters at 514 Mondragon Street. I had daily contact with RAY while he worked for me. RAY visited me and my family in my quarters rather frequently. On Saturdays during the football season we would watch ball games in my quarters. To my knowledge RAY got out of the Army sometime in 1964 and went back to Johnson City, Tennessee to take care of his mother. I left Bragg in 1964 to go to Vietnam.

I was surprised to meet RAY again at Fort Eustis, Virginia when I reported to duty there some time in August 1966. RAY had one of the Student Companies. During my stay at Eustis I had little contact with RAY. I was assigned to 714th Rail Battalion as S-3 and the job kept me pretty busy. I saw RAY three or four times during this period and had him once for dinner at my quarters at 122 Easton Drive, Warwick, Virginia. I left Fort Eustis in May of 1967 to go to Fort Benjamin Harrison, and later I was transferred to Fort Shafter, Hawaii.

Q. MAJ McADEN, do you remember any discussions with RAY involving racial issues?
A. No. We may have discussed some of the demonstrations which were taking place in the country, but racial discussions were never a definite topic.

Q. Do you remember discussing Dr Martin Luther KING with RAY?
A. The name was probably mentioned in some of our conversations.

Q. Did RAY ever tell you that he had the ability to predict future events?
A. No, he never did.

Q. MAJ McADEN, RAY claims that on two occasions, once in September 1966, and again in January or February 1967, he told you that he knew that Dr KING would be assassinated if he ever came to Memphis, Tennessee, and gave you the details of the assassination and the name of the murderer. Do you remember such conversations?

A. No. I am sure that if such conversations had taken place, the events surrounding the assassination of Dr KING would have brought about a recollection. It seems to me that I remember meeting him at the Officers Club at Fort Eustis around the time during which this alleged conversation took place, but this was a very short meeting and the conversation unimportant.

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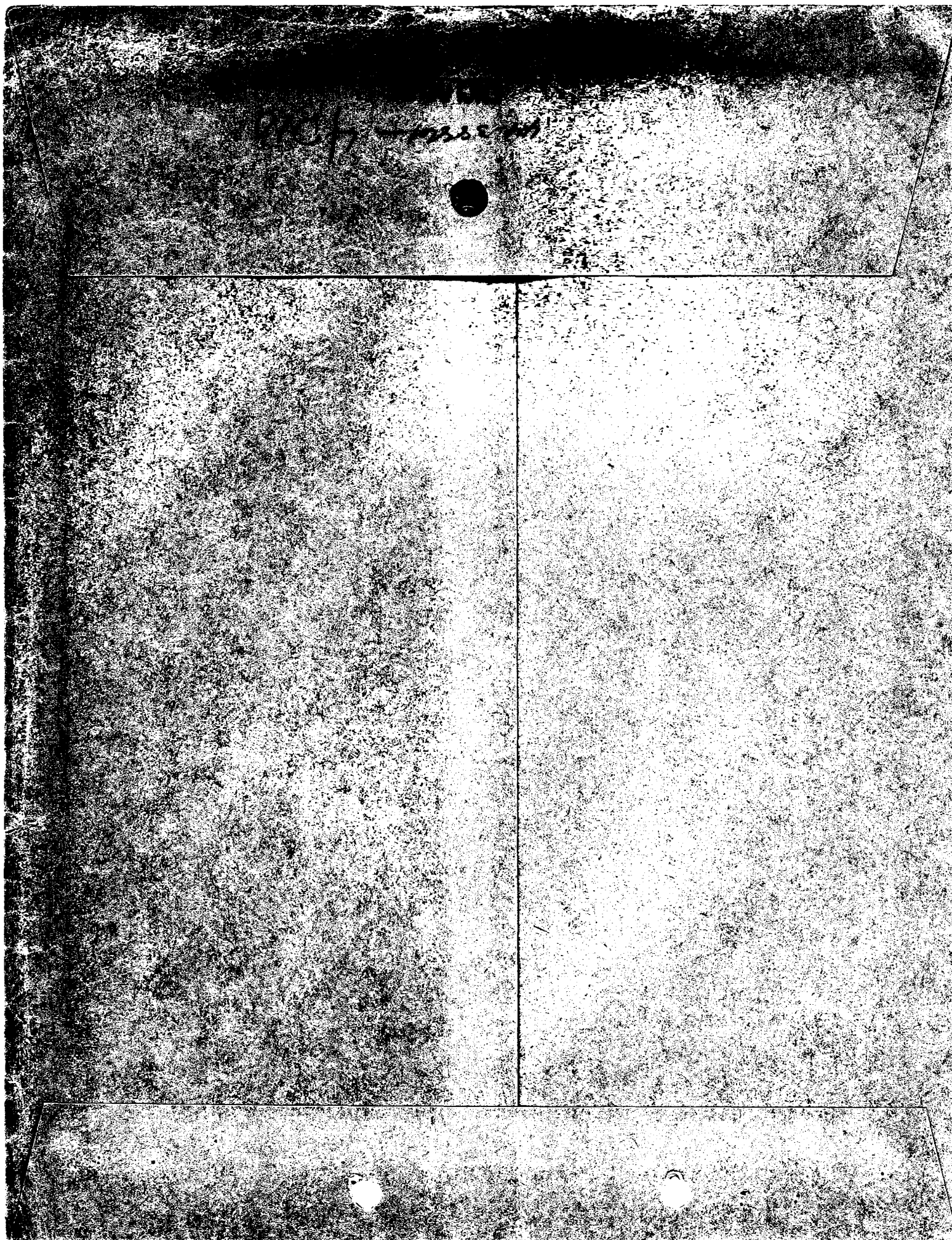
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Transmit the following in _____
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM: SAC, DENVER (157-203)

MURKIN

Re: ROBERT EDWARD BYRNE, Denver, Colorado.

Enclosed for Little Rock are two copies of Denver teletype to Director and Memphis dated 5/24/68, which summarizes interview with Mrs. HOMER LANE BIGELOW, Denver, Colorado.

ROBERT EDWARD BYRNE located and interviewed 5/28/68. Categorically denies any involvement in or knowledge of MARTIN LUTHER KING's assassination. He claims Mrs. HOMER LANE BIGELOW is mentally a "very sick person," who was merely trying to keep him from marrying GENEVIEVE BYRNE. He stated that at least most of the events described by Mrs. BIGELOW did take place, such as their trip to Acapulco, Mexico, his trip to Lubbock, Texas, and their visit with JAMES HEYER, but she added to what took place when she claimed he indicated he was involved in a conspiracy to kill KING.

He said the trip to Acapulco was for pleasure only, but, naturally, he and HAL HALE discussed oil deals since they are associates in several oil ventures. He recalled a conversation with Mrs. BIGELOW in Acapulco wherein he mentioned in vague terms an oil deal in Kansas he was working on with HALE, but no connection with a criminal syndicate was even implied. He stated that he avoided talking business with her because she fancied herself as an investor and a business woman, which she was not, and he did not want her becoming involved in any of his dealings. He recalled that she again brought up the subject of marriage during this conversation and that if he did not marry her, her daughter, JENNIFER, would be hurt. He said he told her that he did not want to hurt JENNIFER, but that he was not going to marry her.

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He stated that after she learned he was going to marry GENEVIEVE, she came over to his apartment and threatened to kill him and herself rather than let him marry GENEVIEVE. She left three of the pictures taken in Acapulco, which were taken of him, her and a sailfish he caught. He stated these are the only three pictures of the trip that he has. He recalled that only two shots of the yacht, Ultima II, were taken; one a full shot of the vessel, and the other a close-up of a red speed boat tied up to it. Neither shot contained any crewmen. It is noted that these two shots were among the pictures Mrs. BIGELOW showed interviewing Agents on 5/24/68.

BYRNE stated RAY RYAN is in oil business and he worked in affiliation with him and HAL HALE when they (RYAN and HALE) were partners in New Drilling Company, Denver, Colorado, a few years ago. He understood from HALE, RYAN was in Acapulco at the time they were and was supposed to have arrived aboard the yacht. He said he had no arrangement to identify himself to any crewman or to RYAN on the yacht. He stated neither RYAN nor HALE involved in any criminal activity so far as he knows.

Little Rock, at Ashdown, Arkansas, is requested to interview Mr. and Mrs. LOUIS FAWCETT, banker, to determine if activities of the group or any of its members while in Acapulco had anything to do with planning the death of KING.

Investigation Denver continuing.

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5-27-68 URGENT ERA

TO DIRECTOR 44-38861

FROM PHILADELPHIA 44-1368

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MURKIN

RE PHILA TEL TO BUREAU AND MEMPHIS MAY TWENTY LAST PERTAINING TO BODY OF UNIDENTIFIED WHITE MALE FOUND MAY EIGHT LAST IN SHALLOW GRAVE NEAR MAHANAY CITY, PA.

ON THIS DATE SGT. GEORGE DURILLA, PSP, READING, PA, ADVISED THAT TODAY SKULL X-RAYS OF JAMES EARL RAY, AKA - FUGITIVE, IO NO. FOUR ONE EIGHT TWO, FURNISHED PSP BY BUREAU WERE COMPARED WITH LOWER JAW OF INSTANT UNIDENTIFIED WHITE MALE ABOVE MENTIONED. COMPARISON DONE BY DR. JOSEPH E. CONRAD, RADIOLOGIST AND DR. THOMAS BUCKLEY, PATHOLOGIST, GOOD SAMARITAN HOSPITAL, POTTSVILLE, PA, WHO STATED NO SIMILARITY WHATSOEVER IN BONE STRUCTURE OR DENTAL WORK BETWEEN UNIDENTIFIED DECEASED AND RAY AND NOT POSSIBLE THE TWO ARE IDENTICAL.

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The Attorney General
Director, FBI

May 29, 1968
1 - Mr. DeLoach
1 - Mr. Rosen
1 - Mr. McGowan
1 - Mr. McDonough

ASSASSINATION OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

Reference is made to my memorandum dated May 27, 1968, relative to the body of an unidentified deceased person found in a grave near Mahanoy City, Pennsylvania.

On May 27, 1968, Sergeant George Durilla, Pennsylvania State Police, Reading, Pennsylvania, advised that skull X-rays of James Earl Ray, subject of captioned case, were compared with the lower jaw of the above body by Dr. Joseph E. Conrad, radiologist, and Dr. Thomas Buckley, pathologist, Good Samaritan Hospital, Pottsville, Pennsylvania, and they stated there was no similarity whatsoever between the bone structure or dental work of the body and those of James Earl Ray.

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- 1 - The Deputy Attorney General
- 1 - Mr. Stephen J. Pollak
Assistant Attorney General

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NOTE: Attorney General was previously advised of the finding of this body near Mahanoy City, Pennsylvania, on 5/8/68. There had been unsubstantiated reports that it might be Ray's body and the original examining physician and an archaeologist were in conflict as to the possible length of time the body had been in the grave, one claiming six months and the other four to six weeks. This is to furnish the Attorney General up-to-date information on this development.

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Reference is made to the letterhead memorandum dated May 28, 1968, from the New York Office to the Bureau, captioned as above.

On May 29, 1968, the New York Office advised that the body of the individual who was found near Mahanoy City, Pennsylvania, on May 28, 1968, had been examined by a physician and that the original examining physician might be contacted for information as to the possible identity of the body. It was noted that the body was found in the grave, and that the length of the body was approximately 5 feet 10 inches. The body was found on May 28, 1968, and the other four bodies were found on May 29, 1968.

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(Priority)TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
Attention: FBI Laboratory

FROM: SAC, SPRINGFIELD (44-561) - P -

SUBJECT: MURKINUNSUBS (2);
The Bank of Alton,
Alton, Illinois,
7/13/67
BR *n.k.*

Being submitted under separate cover via Registered Mail are the following items of evidence recovered in connection with captioned bank robbery.

1. Item Q3 - A Van Heusen Shirt
2. Item Q6 - Man's brown trousers
3. Slides of hair samples prepared by the Laboratory of hair recovered from previously submitted evidence.

The Laboratory is requested to compare the above submitted evidence with items to be submitted by the Memphis Division in connection with the MURKIN investigation to determine if there is any similarity or identification between the two cases.

- ④ - Bureau ③ 44-38861 REG 102
(1: 91-27494)
- 1 - Package (RM)
 - 2 - Memphis (44-1987)
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 - 3 - Springfield (2: 44-561)
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Special Agent in Charge

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