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44-38861-4144

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Chief, Division of Investigations

FROM : Regional Security Office, Pretoria

SUBJECT: RAY, James Earl; SI/FBI (4)

DATE: May 22, 1968

The information on Subject was sent to PSO Salisbury, with a copy of your memorandum dated 14 May 1968. Results of talks will be forwarded to you as soon as possible.

The RSO took the liberty of supplying the same information to the South African C.I.D. The C.I.D. will abide by the request for no publicity, and will coordinate their efforts with the Rhodesian Police, who have regular liaison personnel in Pretoria.

The information was given to South African C.I.D. on the outside chance that Subject may have changed his mind at the last minute, if he intended to go to Rhodesia, because it would be easy to lose himself in South Africa, unless he created a disturbance, rather than go to Rhodesia where he had, in the past, openly declared that he wished to emigrate. However, both police forces in Rhodesia and South Africa are quite efficient and will arrive at some conclusion in the near future. Their reports will be forwarded promptly.

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IN REPLY REFER TO:

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TO: The Honorable
J. Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

FROM: Chief, Division of Investigations *R L B*
Office of Security *11/11/68*

SUBJECT: RAY, James Earl

Reference is made to your request for certain overseas investigation regarding the above-captioned individual.

For your information and retention herewith is one copy of a memorandum dated May 22, 1968, from the Regional Security Office at Pretoria.

ATTACHMENTS:

As stated

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TO DIRECTOR 44-38861, AND HOUSTON

FROM NEW ORLEANS 157-10673

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RE: CALL MADE FROM COIN TELEPHONE, ALPINE,
TEXAS ON DEC. SIXTEEN LAST TO NINE
THREE EIGHT FIVE SIX THREE EIGHT, GREENWOOD,
LA.

TELEPHONE NUMBER NINE THREE EIGHT DASH FIVE SIX THREE EIGHT
IS LISTED TO R. L. HAMMETT, GREENWOOD, LOUISIANA. UPON INTERVIEW
HAMMETT ADVISES HE CAN NOT SPECIFICALLY RECALL WHO CONTACTED
HIM ON DEC. SIXTEEN LAST FROM ALPINE, TEXAS., HOWEVER, HAMMETT
STATES DURING DECEMBER NINETEEN SIXTY SEVEN HE RECEIVED
NUMEROUS LONG DISTANCE TELEPHONE CALLS FROM HIS UNCLE,
ED HUNSUCKER, INQUIRING ABOUT THE PHYSICAL CONDITION OF HAMMETT'S
FATHER WHO WAS IN POOR HEALTH. THESE CALLS WERE RECEIVED
FROM VARIOUS AREAS IN TEXAS INASMUCH AS HUNSUCKER IS A TRUCK
DRIVER AND TRAVELS EXTENSIVELY THROUGHOUT TEXAS. HAMMETT VIEWED
PHOTOGRAPHS OF JAMES EARL RAY AND STATES THAT RAY IS COMPLETELY
UNKNOWN TO HIM. NEW ORLEANS INDICIES CONTAIN NO INFO IDENTIFIABLE
WITH HAMMETT OR HUNSUCKER.

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RE NOEL GRAY, PROFESSOR, HISTORY DEPARTMENT, SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY, BATON ROUGE, LA.

IN JUNE, SIXTYFIVE, NEW ORLEANS POSSESSED INFORMATION CONCERNING REMARKS ALLEGEDLY MADE BY NOEL GRAY THAT THE NEGRO RACE NEEDED A "NEW MONUMENT," AS CHRIST HAD BEEN DEAD TWO THOUSAND YEARS AND IT WOULD BE BETTER IF KING OR JAMES FARMER WERE KILLED. THIS INFORMATION WAS RECEIVED FROM JACK N. ROGERS, THEN COMMITTEE COUNSEL FOR THE JOINT LEGISLATURE ON UN-AMERICAN ACTIVITIES FOR THE STATE OF LOUISIANA . ROGERS IN JUNE, SIXTYFIVE, DECLINED TO REVEAL HIS SOURCE OF INFORMATION CONCERNING GRAY.

ON APRIL THIRTY, SIXTYEIGHT, DR. FELTON G. CLARK, PRESIDENT, SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY, BATON ROUGE, ADVISED GRAY IS PROFESSOR IN HISTORY DEPARTMENT AT SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY AND RESIDES ONE ZERO SEVEN FIVE MAYHAW DRIVE, BATON ROUGE. FURTHER GRAY TEACHING AT SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY SINCE FIFTYTWO AND DURING

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THAT TIME HAS NOT ENGAGED IN ANY ACTIVITIES TO AGITATE MEMBERS OF THE STUDENT BODY OR ENGAGED IN ANY CIVIL RIGHTS ACTIVITIES. CLARK STATED GRAY WELL RESPECTED ON CAMPUS AND LIKED BY BOTH STUDENTS AND FACULTY.

RECORDS, BUREAU OF IDENTIFICATION, LSP, AS OF APRIL THIRTY, SIXTYEIGHT, DISCLOSED NOEL GRAY, BORN [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AT NEW ORLEANS, ARRESTED BY SHERIFF'S OFFICE, BATON ROUGE, DECEMBER SEVENTEEN, SIXTYONE, ON CHARGE OF VAGRANCY , WHICH WAS SUBSEQUENTLY NOLLE PROSSED.

JACK N. ROGERS, ATTORNEY, BATON ROUGE, LA., CONTACTDD MAY ONE, SIXTYEIGHT, AT WHICH TIME ROGERS ADVISED HIS SOURCE OF INFORMATION CONCERNING GRAY IS NOW DECEASED. ROGERS STILL DECLINES TO DISCLOSE IDENTITY OF THIS SOURCE. ROGERS STATED HOWEVER, HIS SOURCE HAD ADVISED HIM ON MARCH FIVE, SIXTYFIVE, THAT GRAY HAD TOLD SOURCE THAT MOST NEGROES CONSIDERED JAMES FARMER OF REVISIONIST AND CONSIDERED MARTIN LUTHER KING A MESSIAH. FURTHER, GRAY STATED THE NEGROES MEED A NEW

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MONUMENT AS JESUS CHRIST HAD BEEN DEAD FOR TWO THOUSAND YEARS. ROGERS STATED SOURCE TOLD HIM "THE ASSASSINATION OF FARMER HAD BEEN A MATTER OF OPEN CONJECTURE." ROGERS SAID NO MENTION WAS MADE OF ASSASSINATION OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, HOWEVER, IT WAS ROGERS' OPINION THAT PROBABLY ASSASSINATION OF BOTH FARMER AND KING A MATTER OF CONJECTURE.

APPROPRIATE RI-PROB SOURCE CONTACTED BATON ROUE AREA MAY ONE, SIXTYEIGHT, AND GRAY UNKNOWN TO SOURCE.

FILES OF NEW ORLEANS OFFICE CONTAIN NEWSPAPER CLIPPING OF BATON ROUGE MORNING ADVOCATE NEWSPAPER DATED JANUARY TWENTYNINE SIXTYTWO WHICH REVEALS THAT NOEL G. GRAY DESCRIBED AS A MEMBER OF FACULTY AT SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY IN BATON ROUGE WAS ONE OF ONE HUNDRED AND TWO FACULTY MEMBERS WHO HAD SIGNED A STATEMENT REGRETING ACTION TAKEN AGAINST SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY STUDENTS FOR THEIR PARTICIPATION IN STUDENT DEMONSTRATIONS IN REGARDS TO THE RACIAL QUESTION. NEW ORLEANS FILES CONTAIN NO OTHER INFO IDENTIFIABLE WITH GRAY. IN VIEW OF THE ABOVE GRAY IS NOT NOT BEING CONTACTED FOR INTERVIEW.

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RE: TELEPHONE CALLS ORIGINATING FROM
PROVINCIAL MOTEL, NEW ORLEANS.
DEC. SEVENTEEN THRU NINETEEN ,
NINETEEN SIXTYSEVEN.

RALPH BENNETT, DISTRICT PLANT MANAGER, SOUTHERN
BELL TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH COMPANY ADVISES THAT SOUTHERN BELL,
NEW ORLEANS, HAS NO TAPE OR IBM TYPE OF SYSTEM THAT WOULD ENABLE
THE TELEPHONE COMPANY TO KEEP ANY RECORD OF OUTGOING LOCAL CALLS
MADE FROM THE PROVINCIAL MOTEL.

RE: COOLEY (PH) OR COOLEY'S ORGANIZATION
NEW ORLEANS INDICIES CONTAIN NO INFORMATION IDENTIFIABLE
WITH THIS INDIVIDUAL OR ORGANIZATION.

RE: JOHNNY VALENTI (PH)
KANSAS CITY OFFICE ADVISED MAY TWO INSTANT THAT
JOHNNY VELANTIE WAS PAROLLED ON MARCH TWENTY EIGHT, SIXTY
SEVEN AND WAS ORIGINALLY FROM ATLANTA, GA. IN VIEW
OF THIS NEW ORLEANS HOLDING LEAD AT BATON ROUGE IN ABEYANCE
IN EFFORT TO IDENTIFY AND LOCATE VALENTI UNTIL INFO RECEIVED
FROM PRISON RECORDS. NEW ORLEANS INDICIES CONTAIN NO INFO IDENTIFIABLE
WITH VALENTI OR VELANTIE.

RE: CONTACTS WITH MOTELS AND HOTELS
LOCATED IN FRECH QUARTER, NEW ORLEANS.

INASMUCH AS IT HAS BEEN DETERMINED THAT JAMES EARL RAY
STAYED AT A FRENCH QUARTER MOTEL IN DEC. NINETEEN SIXTYSEVEN AND THEN
WAS IN NEW ORLEANS AGAIN ON PROBABLY MARCH TWENTY ONE SIXTYEIGHT,
THE RECORDS OF MOTELS AND HOTELS IN FRENCH QUARTER HAVE BEEN
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CHECKED FOR REGISTRATION OF RAY UNDER HIS TRUE NAME AND KNOWN ALIASES. PERIOD CHECKED WAS FROM^MARCH SEVENTEEN THRU TWENTY FOUR SIXTYEIGHT. RECORDS OF MOTELS AND HOTELS CONTAINED NO INFO IDENTIFIABLE WITH RAY.

HOUSTON OFFICE AT HOUSTON TEXAS. WILL LOCATE AND INTERVIEW ED HUNSUCKER THROUGH HILL AND HILL COMPANY AND DETERMINE IF HE PLACED CALL ON DECEMBER SIXTEEN LAST FROM ALPINE, TEXAS TO R. L. HAMMETT AT GREENWOOD, LA. AND EXHIBIT PHOTO OF RAY.

INVESTIGATION CONTINUING AT NEW ORLEANS. AM COPIES TO MEMPHIS, KANSAS CITY, ATLANTA, DALLAS BIRMINGHAM, AND LOS ANGELES. ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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HONOLULU OFFICE AT HONOLULU TEXAS. RIFT FOSVIE AND INTER-

IDENTIFIABLE WITH BAA.

ONE SIXTYEIGHT. RECORDS OF HOTELS AND HOTELS CONTAINED NO INFO

ALBANY. PERIOD CHECKED WAS FROM APRIL SEVENTEEN LAST THROUGH

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI (MAIL)
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FROM SAC SPRINGFIELD (44-561) -P-

MURKIN: THREATS TO MARTIN LUTHER KING.

RE CHICAGO TEL TO DALLAS AND SPRINGFIELD MAY TWO, LAST.

MRS. EUGENE WALDEN, ROUTE THREE, WEST FRANKFORT, PROTECT
IDENTITY, MEDIZER'S MOTHER, ADVISED JOHN C. MEDIZER RESIDES
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IDENTITY, MEDICAL, 2 WOMEN, ADVISED JOHN C. MEDICAL RESIDES

MR. EUGENE WARDEN, BOULE LEBEE, 2221 EAVINGTON, BROOKLYN

RE CHICAGO TEL TO DALLAS AND SPRINGFIELD MAY TWO, LAST.

WORKING: SUBJECTS TO MARLIN GALTHER KING.

FROM SAC SPRINGFIELD (44-201) -P-

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
 FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574) (P)
 SUBJECT: MURKIN

ReBuAirtel to Atlanta, Birmingham, Los Angeles,
 Memphis and New Orleans, 5/21/68.

Rebulet advises that appropriate inquiry should be made at banks to determine identity of individuals making a withdrawal of \$10,000 and over in cash, and confining this inquiry for period of April, 1968. The Bureau advises that the possibility exists that subject was hired assassin and a pay-off could have taken place shortly before or after the murder of MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

For information of the Bureau and offices receiving this communication the following is being furnished.

For many years the Intelligence Units of the U.S. Treasury Department have been receiving from the Federal Reserve Banks a form known as the TCR-1 "Report of Currency Transactions; Person or Organization Concerned in Transaction Reported". These forms are used by the Intelligence Units of IRS for purposes of discovering large currency transactions resorted to by racketeers, dealers in narcotics, foreign agents, and others engaged in illegal activities as an attempted method of concealing income.

- 3- Director (Encl.1) (AM)
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The TCR-1 is actually completed or filled in by banks, savings and loan associations and other financial type institutions when a transaction involves a deposit, withdrawal, or other payment or transfer effected by, through, or to such financial institution, which involves U.S. Currency as follows:

1. Transactions involving \$2,500 or more of U.S. Currency in denominations of \$100 or higher.
2. Transactions involving \$10,000 or more of U.S. Currency in any denomination.
3. Transactions involving any amount in any denomination, which in the judgment of the financial institution exceed those commensurate with the customary conduct of the person or organization concerned.

After the TCR-1 Forms are executed they are then sent to the Federal Reserve Banks and their branches who in turn retain them for about one month and at which time they are then sent on to IRS Intelligence Units in the particular area.

In a recent major case (YOUNGNAP) within the Los Angeles Division, the above information became known, and as a result a Confidential Source was developed who furnishes us copies of these forms on a weekly basis. In reviewing the data on such forms it was believed that the information would be of value in investigations relating to Anti-Racketeering, Federal Reserve Act, Bankruptcy, Ascertaining Financial Ability, Fraud Against the Government, Bank Robbery and larceny cases as well as Security type matters.

For the above reason the Los Angeles Division opened a dead file captioned:

"CURRENCY TRANSACTIONS,
REPORTS OR PERSONS OR
ORGANIZATIONS INVOLVED
AR"

Los Angeles file 92-3006

And copies of all the TCR-1 Forms received since March 3, 1968 have been filed alphabetically in a special indices after they have been indexed to the general office index. These forms are then reviewed periodically for individuals whose name continually reappear for possibly anti-racketeering matters.

LA 44-1574

Enclosed for the Bureau and each office receiving this communication is one unexecuted copy of the TCR-1 Form.

For information of the Bureau, the Los Angeles Division is currently reviewing the TCR-1 Forms for individuals who may have made a \$10,000 withdrawal of funds and appropriate investigation will be conducted as to each such individual.

The Bureau may wish to have each office contact the IRS Intelligence Units within their division and review copies of these forms for the month of April, 1968. It is believed that this would expedite coverage of the requested lead and cover a larger geographical area.

Armed and Dangerous.

Form TCR-1
U.S. Treasury Department
(Revised 8-3-59)

REPORT OF CURRENCY TRANSACTIONS

See Reverse for Instructions

Part A. PERSON OR ORGANIZATION CONCERNED IN TRANSACTIONS REPORTED

Name _____

Address _____

Business, profession, or occupation _____

Part B. DESCRIPTION OF TRANSACTIONS

Date	U. S. Currency Involved		Nature of Transactions (State whether deposit, withdrawal, exchange of currency, cashing or purchase of check, etc.)
	Total amount	Amount in denominations of \$100 or higher	

Additional information _____

Part C. FINANCIAL INSTITUTION REPORTING

Name _____

Address _____
(Number) 44-38861 (Street) 4147 (City) (State)

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INSTRUCTIONS

This report is required pursuant to Treasury Department regulations revised August 3, 1959 (31 Code of Federal Regulations 102).

Forms TCR-1 shall be prepared in original only for currency transactions involving United States currency as follows:

1. Transactions involving \$2,500 or more of United States currency in denominations of \$100 or higher;
2. Transactions involving \$10,000 or more of United States currency in any denominations, and
3. Transactions involving any amount in any denominations,

which in the judgment of the financial institution exceed those commensurate with the customary conduct of the business, industry or profession of the person or organization concerned.

Reports shall be filed on or before the 15th day of the month following that in which the reported transactions occur, with the Federal Reserve Bank of the district in which the reporting financial institution is located. Copies of this form may be obtained from any Federal Reserve Bank.

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June 4, 1968

Airtel

1 - Mr. McGowan
1 - Mr. Long

To: SAC, Atlanta (44-2386)

From: Director, FBI (44-38861) 4147 PERSONAL ATTENTION

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ReLAairtel 5/23/68.

According to referenced communication, the Intelligence Units of the U. S. Treasury Department have been receiving from Federal Reserve Banks a form known as TCR-1 "Report of Currency Transactions; Person or Organization Concerned in Transaction Reported." These forms are completed or filled in by banks, savings and loan associations, and other financial type institutions when a transaction involves a deposit, withdrawal or other payment or transfer effected by, through, or to such financial institution, which involves the U. S. Currency in which \$10,000 or more is handled.

In view of this, every office receiving this communication will explore the feasibility of obtaining the information from Internal Revenue Service Intelligence Units within their division. It is very possible that the information requested by the Bureau regarding withdrawals of \$10,000 or more from banks could be more readily obtained through the Internal Revenue Service.

If any discussion ensues at banks or other financial institutions, you should not mention the completion and filing of these forms under any circumstances. This information is ~~for your~~ intelligence only.

- 2 - Birmingham (44-1980)
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THE FOLLOWING IS A SUMMARY OF THE INFORMATION RECEIVED FROM THE NEW YORK OFFICE OF THE FBI ON JUNE 4, 1968, REGARDING THE ACTIVITY OF THE BLACK PANTHER PARTY (BPP) IN NEW YORK CITY. THE BPP IS A RACIST ORGANIZATION WHICH IS ENGAGED IN A CAMPAIGN OF VIOLENCE AND TERRORISM. THE BPP IS CURRENTLY ACTIVE IN NEW YORK CITY AND IS ENGAGED IN A CAMPAIGN OF VIOLENCE AND TERRORISM. THE BPP IS CURRENTLY ACTIVE IN NEW YORK CITY AND IS ENGAGED IN A CAMPAIGN OF VIOLENCE AND TERRORISM.

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FROM: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

TO: SAC, NEW YORK (44-38861)

RE: BPP; VIOLENCE (44-38861)

ADMIN

1 - MR. TOLSON
1 - MR. MCCORMACK

Airtel SAC, Atlanta
RE: MURKIN

This should be handled personally by the SAC, not ASAC, and should not be designated to someone else in SAC's absence. If you are unable to obtain the desired information, advise the Bureau of details.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

NOTE: The Bureau requested the Atlanta, Birmingham, Memphis, New Orleans and Los Angeles Divisions to make appropriate inquiry at banks to determine identity of individuals making a withdrawal of \$10,000 and over in cash, confining this inquiry for period of April, 1968. The Bureau requested this as a possibility exists that subject was a hired assassin and a pay-off could have taken place.

Los Angeles advises that a form is actually completed or filled in by banks and other type financial institutions when a transaction involves a deposit, withdrawal or other such payment or transfer effected by, through, or to such financial institution which involves transactions of \$10,000 or more of U. S. Currency in any denomination. Los Angeles advises that the Internal Revenue Service Intelligence Units of various places throughout the United States has this information on file and it is possible that the offices obtaining such information from banks could use this source to readily obtain the necessary data. These facts are being called to the attention of respective field divisions.

Internal Revenue Service Headquarters at Washington, D. C., advises that the completing of the form is an agreement between financial institutions under jurisdiction of Federal Reserve System and the Treasury Department and every such institution does actually complete the form. This information is confidential and should not be discussed with any financial institution. Internal Revenue also advises that these forms are sent by the financial institutions to Federal Reserve who in turn sends them to the appropriate Internal Revenue Intelligence Unit, and they will be available to the Intelligence Units.

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Date: 5-25-68

Transmit the following in _____
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(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
FROM: SAC, SPRINGFIELD (44-561) - P -
SUBJECT: MURKIN

(OO: MEMPHIS)

Re San Francisco airtel to Bureau dated 5-16-68,
a copy of which is enclosed for St. Louis.

On 5-22-68, 5-23-68, and 5-24-68, ORVILLE BURNETT,
615 Jefferson Street, Quincy, Illinois, advised SA ELYON H.
DAVIS that DIDRICK CLYDE HALL, aka DIDRICK FRANKS, DITTY
HALL, is a relative of his and normally resides at that
address. HALL is an alcoholic and has been missing for several
days. This is not unusual for HALL as he goes on extended
drunks and will be gone from Quincy for several days at a
time before returning.

On 5-22-68, and 5-23-68, efforts to locate LAFAYETTE
DILTS in Quincy, Illinois, were unsuccessful as his whereabouts
are unknown to the Quincy Police Department, Credit Bureau and
other sources.

On 5-24-68, SI 1586-C advised that LAFAYETTE DILTS,
aka LAFE DILTS, is presently residing at La Grange, Missouri,
and either works as a commercial fisherman or operates a
fish market in La Grange. DILTS has a girlfriend in La
Grange by the name of MAHALA LA MARR.

③ - Bureau (44-38861) (RM)
2 - Memphis (44-1987) (RM)
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2 - Springfield (44-561)
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A copy of which is enclosed for St. Louis.
Re San Francisco letter to Bureau dated 2-10-68.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

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LEADS:

ST. LOUIS DIVISION

At La Grange, Missouri

Will interview LAFAYETTE DILTS as set forth in enclosed airtel.

SPRINGFIELD DIVISION

At Quincy, Illinois

Will interview DIDRICK CLYDE HALL when located.

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TO DIRECTOR (44-38861) 2P

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LAST.

ON MAY TWENTYEIGHT, LAST, CONFERENCE HELD AT TEXAS DRIVER
LICENSE BUREAU, DPS, AUSTIN, WITH A. F. TEMPLE, CHIEF, DRIVER AND
VEHICLE BUREAU DIV., CHIEF MC FARLING, DATA PROCESSING AND JIM CARNEY
MANAGER, DEC PROCESSING CO., CONTRACTOR ON FILM PROCESSING FOR DPS,
HOME OFFICE FORT WAYNE, IND. CARNEY STATED FILM USED IS THIRTYFIVE
MM, ONE THIRD FRAMME, STRIP FILM, AND IS A COLOR NEGATIVE. THIS FILM
COULD BE VIEWED ON KODAK MICROFILM READER, BUT IT WOULD BE A NEGATIVE
AND WOULD BE IN REVERSE. IT WOULD BE ALMOST IMPOSSIBLE TO IDENTIFY
EXCEPT TO A TRAINED NEGATIVE READER. FURTHER, HIS COMPANY COULD
INSTALL A PRINTING MACHINE AND PRINT FILM FOR APRIL AND MAY, SENDING
IT TO FORT WAYNE, INDIANA, FOR DEVELOPING, AT APPROXIMATE COSE OF FOUR
CENTS PER PHOTO. CHIEF TEMPLE STATED ON MAY TWENTYEIGHT, LAST, HE
ASSEMBLED VARIOUS SECTION MANAGERS AT DRIVER LICENSE BUREAU AND PLAN

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WAS DEVELOPED WHEREBY INFORMATION COULD BE SELECTED FROM SEVERAL SOURCES AND ASSEMBLED TO REFLECT NEW DRIVER LICENSES ISSUED SINCE APRIL, LAST. HE ESTIMATED IT WOULD TAKE FOUR DPS EMPLOYEES TO ASSEMBLE THIS INFORMATION WHICH COULD BE MADE AVAILABLE IN APPROXIMATELY FIVE DAYS FOR LICENSES ISSUED IN APRIL AND IN APPROXIMATELY FIFTEEN DAYS ON LICENSES ISSUED IN MAY, THE LATTER DELAY BEING CAUSED BY FILING BACKLOG. THIS INFORMATION WOULD CONTAIN NAME, ADDRESS, DOB, AND DRIVER LICENSE NO. ESTIMATED COST TO DPS WOULD BE APPROXIMATELY ON HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS FOR THIS SPECIAL PROJECT; HOWEVER, CHIEF TEMPLE STATED THESE CHARGES WOULD BE WAIVER FOR THE BUREAU.

PURSUANT TO CHIEF TEMPLE'S PLAN, UACB, SAN ANTONIO WILL MAKE FINAL ARRANGEMENTS TO OBTAIN INFORMATION DESIRED FROM DRIVER LICENSE BUREAU FOR APIL ON APPROXIMATELY JUNE FOUR, NEXT, AND WILL CONDUCT APPROPRIATE INVESTIGATION TO IDENTIFY LICENSEE. ON APPROXIMATELY JUNE TWENTY, NEXT, THE ADDITIONAL LISTING FOR MAY WILL BE OBTAINED AND SET OUT.

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TO DIRECTOR, MEMPHIS AND KANSAS

FROM ST. LOUIS (44-775)

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RE JOHN LARRY RAY. REINTERVIEWED. CONTINUES TO DENY CONTACT WITH SUBJECT OR KNOWLEDGE OF WHEREABOUTS SINCE MSP ESCAPE. HAS NOT BEEN CONTACTED BY BROTHER JERRY SINCE LATTERS RETURN TO CG. PRESSURE OF PRESS INQUIRIES SUBSIDED. BELIEVES SUBJECT PROBABLY OUT OF COUNTRY OR DEAD AS WOULD HAVE BEEN CAUGHT OTHERWISE. ASSOCIATE CLARENCE HAYNES IS IN LOCAL DRAYAGE BUSINESS WHICH EXPLAINS INABILITY TO LOCATE DURING DAYLIGHT HOURS. HAYNES WIFE RUBY IN HOSPITAL DUE TO HEART DIFFICULT. FULL INTERVIEW WITH JOHN NOT POSSIBLE DUE TO ARRIVAL OF CUSTOMERS.

NOTE RECENTLY DEVELOPED PCI NAOMI REGAZZI RE EMPLOYED AS GRAPE-VINE BARMAID.

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

RE FELLOW PRISONER RICHARD RENO. RENO, WHO WAS FORMERLY ONE TWO ZERO NINE DASH C PRIOR TO IMPRISONMENT, INTERVIEWED IN DEPTH TODAY BY

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RE: JAMES EARL RAY, AKA; SOURCE AND SPOT CHECKS BEING TO
LIVE BARRACKS.

NOTE: RECENTLY DEVELOPED BY WASH. BUREAU BE EMPLOYED AS GUN-
CHAMBERLAIN.

DETAILS: RAY INTERVIEW WITH FORM NOT POSSIBLE DUE TO ABSENCE OF
SOMEONE KNOWN TO RAY. RAY'S WIFE NOW IN HOSPITAL DUE TO RECENT
RAY'S IS IN LOCAL BUSINESS WHICH EMPLOYS INDIVIDUAL TO LOOK
UP DEAD AS MIGHT HAVE BEEN CATCHED OTHERWISE. ASSOCIATE OF RAY
WAS INTERVIEWED. BELIEVES SUBJECT KNOWS RAY OR COULD BE
CONTACTED BY SOMEONE OTHER SINCE RAY'S BELONGS TO CO. BELIEVES OF
SUBJECT OR KNOWLEDGE OF WHEREABOUTS SINCE RAY ESCAPED. HAS NOT BEEN
BE FORM RAY'S BAK. BELIEVED. CONTINUES TO BE IN CONTACT WITH
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FROM ST. LOUIS (44-112)

TO DIRECTOR, MEMPHIS AND KANSAS

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ORIGINAL HANDLING SA. KNEW RAY CASUALLY OCTOBER SIXTY FOUR TO ESCAPE. EXCHANGED GREETINGS AND FEW WORDS INFREQUENTLY. RAY QUIET, RESERVED, KEPT TO SELF, NEVER JOKED OR MIXED. NEVER WORKED WITH IN SAME AREA OR RESIDED SAME HALL EXCEPT BRIEF PERIOD IN K HALL SIXTY FIVE. NO KNOWLEDGE OF READING HABITS. NO INDICATION RAY ^EUS~~S~~D NARCOTICS, BUT HEARD ONCE HE TRIED TO ^LSE~~L~~ AMPHETAMINE POWDER. SCUTTLEBUT INDICATED INMATE BOBBY ASH DEALT IN AMPHETAMINE. UNAWARE OF ANY RAY CONNECTION WITH ASH, BUT ASH COULD HAVE POSSIBLY BEEN RAY SOURCE.

RAY NOT KNOWN TO ~~X~~HAVE ANY CLOSE ASSOCIATES, BUT APPEARED FRIENDLY WITH INMATES RAY CLANTON, FROM ARKANSAS, BELIEVED NOW RELEASED AND HERBERT PHELPS, STILL INCARCERATED.

RENO DROVE BREAD TRUCK IN WHICH RAY ALLEGEDLY ESCAPE. TRUCK LOADED OUT OF RENO'S PRESENCE. ACCOMPANIED BY GUARD NAMED BURKHART ALL TIMES AFTER LOADING. NO STOPS EXCEPT FOR TRAFFICE SIGNALS PRIOR TO ARRIVAL AT RENZ FARM, WHERE BREAD DISCOVERED SCATTERED IN BOX. POSSIBILITY OF ESCAPE NOT RECOGNIZED UNTIL LATER BY BURKHART WHICH RESULTED IN REPRIMAND.

KC INTERVIEW BOBBY ASH, BURKHART, RAY CLANTON AND HERBERT PHELPS IF NOT ALREADY DONE.

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RE JOHN EUGENE GAWRON. WILL INTERVIEW EXHAUSTIVELY TOMORROW AS TO ANY KNOWLEDGE OF IDENT OF ALTON BANK SUBJECTS SINCE PERSON PREVIOUSLY IDENT BY HIM COULD NOT HAVE BEEN RESPONSIBLE DUE TO INCARCERTAION. RE JOHN PAUL VELANTI AND JAMES H. CARPENTER. VELANTI I UNABLE TO APPEAR WIT CARPENTER FOR INTERVIEW TODAY DUE TO ILLNESS OF FELLOW EMPLOYEE NECESSITATING HIS WORKING DOUBLE SHIFT. WILL POSTIVELY APPEAR TOMORROW MORNING.

EFFORTS TO LOCATE FELLOW PRISONER ROBERT LYNN POWELL INTENSIFIED.

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EFFORTS TO LOCATE ELLSON PRISONER ROBERT LAMM BOWETT THIS AFTERNOON

FOR MOVING.

RECEIVING HIS MOVING DOUBLE SHIRT. WILL POSITIVELY APPEAR TOMORROW
WILL SUBMITTER FOR INTERVIEW TODAY DUE TO ILLNESS OF ELLSON EMPLOYEE
RE JOHN PAUL LEGGALL AND JAMES H. SUBMITTER. LEGGALL I WOULD BE ABLE TO APPEAR
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TO DIRECTOR (44-38861)

FROM JACKSON (157-9586) 2P

MURKIN

RE NEW ORLEANS TELETYPE TO BUREAU, MAY TWENTY NINE,
INSTANT.

RE JAMES C. HARDIN

A REVIEW OF FILES OF THE JACKSON OFFICE REVEAL NAME
JAMES HARDIN MENTIONED IN REPORT OF SA JOHN T. REYNOLDS,
AT NEW ORLEANS, DATED OCTOBER TWENTY SIX, SIXTY TWO, CAPTIONED
"DESEGREGATION OF UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI." A LARGE
NUMBER OF AUTO LICENSES WERE RECORDED DURING RIOT AT
UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI ON OCTOBER ONE, SIXTY TWO. SIXTY
TWO MISSISSIPPI LICENSE C/TWO NINE DASH TWO THREE EIGHT SIX,
WAS OBSERVED AND DETERMINED LATER TO BE REGISTERED TO JAMES
HARDIN, FULTON, MISSISSIPPI, FOR A FIFTY SEVEN CHEVROLET.
INDICES OF NEW ORLEANS AND MEMPHIS OFFICES NOT KNOWN TO
REVEAL ANY PERTINENT INFORMATION CONCERNING THIS JAMES HARDIN
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ROBBIN* ENJOY* MISSISSIPPI* FOR A FEW YEARS
AND OBSERVED AND FOLLOWED THEM TO BE REGISTERED IN JAMES
LAC MISSISSIPPI FIVE YEARS AGO WHEN TWO YEARS EIGHT SIX
MISCELLANEOUS OF MISSISSIPPI ON OCTOBER ONE* SIXTY TWO* SIXTY
NUMBER OF THIS FIVE YEARS WERE RECORDED DURING HIS
"DETERMINATION OF MISCELLANEOUS OF MISSISSIPPI" A FIVE
AT NEW ORLEANS* DATED OCTOBER FIVE SIX* SIXTY TWO* OBSERVED
THAT ROBBIN MENTIONED IN REPORT OF SA JOHN I. BEARDED*

A SEARCH OF FILES OF THE JACKSON OFFICE REVEALED NAME
BE JAMES C. ROBBIN

INCLIN*

HE WAS OFFICER REFERABLE TO JAMES* MAX FIVE LINE*

WHEN*

FROM JACKSON (121-2280) 8-

TO DIRECTOR (44-38861)

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AND JACKSON INDICES REVEAL NO OTHER RECORD FOR HIM.

JACKSON FILES ALSO REVEAL ONE J. HARDIN, THREE ONE ONE ZERO OLD CANTON ROAD, JACKSON, MISS., INTERVIEWED DURING NEIGHBORHOOD INVESTIGATION, NOVEMBER TWENTY TWO, SIXTY SEVEN, SUBSEQUENT TO BOMBING OF RESIDENCE OF RABBI PERRY E. NUSSBAUM, THREE FOUR ONE ZERO OLD CANTON ROAD, JACKSON, MISS. INQUIRY ON MAY TWENTY NINE, SIXTY EIGHT, REVEALS ABOVE INDIVIDUAL'S NAME IS JABUS L. HARDIN, WHO HAS OPERATED A BEAUTY SHOP AT THE ABOVE ADDRESS FOR THE PAST TEN YEARS AND HAS NOT BEEN IN CALIFORNIA DURING THE PAST FIVE YEARS.

CURRENT CITY AND TELEPHONE DIRECTORIES, JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI, DO NOT REVEAL ANYONE NAMED JAMES HARDIN, JAMES C. HARDIN OR J. C. HARDIN. NO FURTHER EFFORT BEING MADE TO LOCATE HARDIN IN THE ABSENCE OF SPECIFIC LEAD.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
 FROM: SAC, CLEVELAND (44-565)
 RE: MURKIN

ReBuairtel, 5/9/68 to all SAC's and LEGATs.

In above referenced communication, the Bureau directed that all offices should contact the Bureau of Vital Statistics or similar agency in their States to cover the possibility that subject may have died since the commission of the crime. It was also pointed out that if no central record repository is maintained, appropriate inquiries relative to unidentified dead should be made during the course of normal business with appropriate agencies and reasonable investigation should be pursued.

In an effort to broaden this coverage, Dr. SAMUEL GERBER, Executive Secretary-Treasurer, National Association of Coroners and also coroner, Cuyahoga County, Cleveland, Ohio, who has cooperated with this office in the past and of whom there is no derogatory information, was contacted and he advised he is presently the Executive Secretary-Treasurer of the National Coroners Association. Dr. GERBER advised that this group consists of approximately 2400 members throughout the country. He stated that he has access to the addressograph plates and he would be most happy to make these plates available to circularize the Bureau's Identification Order to the various members.

Dr. GERBER stated that in his opinion, if the Identification Order would be accompanied by a short letter from the Director, indicating that this was being done with the cooperation of the National Coroner's Association, it would create much more interest in the recipients of the letter and would obtain a higher degree of cooperation and awareness as to the contents.

C. C. - Bishop Bureau
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to circumvent the Bureau's identification order to the various
buses and he month be most likely to make these buses available
confidential. He stated that he has access to the address book
along contacts of approximately 5000 members throughout the
the National Colonel's Association. Dr. GEBBER advised that this
advised he is presently the Executive Secretary-President of
there is no derogatory information was contacted and he
who has cooperated with this office in the past and of whom
of Colonel and also Colonel, Charles G. Gentry, Ohio.
GEBBER, Executive Secretary-President, National Association

In an effort to broaden this coverage, Dr. GANNETT

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Rebulet, 2/5/68 to all SAC's and DEAs.

RE: MURKIN

FROM: SAC, CLEVELAND (44-292)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

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Transmit the following in

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Cleveland has prepared the following letter with the Bureau's approval, if the circularization meets with Bureau approval:

"Dear Sir:

In cooperation with the National Association of Coroners, I am enclosing an Identification Order which contains the name, aliases, description and fingerprint classification of James Earl Ray, who is wanted in connection with the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King.

I would appreciate your bringing the information and photographs contained in this Identification Order to the attention of your staff and request that they remain on the alert for a possible identification of James Earl Ray by them during the course of their employment.

Should any information come to your attention in this matter, I would appreciate your notifying the FBI Office nearest you as noted on the back of the enclosed Identification Order.

Thanking you for your cooperation, I remain.

Very truly yours,

J. Edgar Hoover,
Director"

Dr. GERBER stated that as a rule, only bodies that have met with violent deaths or have not been identified are taken to the morgue in Cuyahoga County, Ohio. However, he stated that many individuals who have died of natural causes do pass through a coroner's office where there is no physidan available to sign the death certificate.

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Dr. GERBER stated that many deceased do not pass through a coroner's office or medical examiners office when the death certificate is signed by a physician. In such cases, the body goes directly to a mortician. Dr. GERBER stated that the Executive Secretary for the National Funeral Directors Association is HOWARD RATHER, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Recommendations and Requests:

- 1.) Bureau will furnish the Cleveland Office with 2500 Identification Orders #4182, along with Bureau approval for Cleveland to circularize this Identification Order with a letter from the Director as set forth above.
- 2.) At Milwaukee, Wisconsin: Will contact HOWARD RATHER, Executive Secretary, National Funeral Directors Association, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, in an effort to see if it is possible to utilize mailing list of members for circularization of Identification Order. This contact will be made subsequent to 6/6/68, UACB.
- 3.) Will consider furnishing National Headquarters of American Dental Association, dental chart of JAMES EARL RAY if available from records of Missouri State Penitentiary, and circularize same to members of the American Dental Association.

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1 - Mr. McGowan
1 - Mr. McDonough

To: SACs, Cleveland (44-565)
Milwaukee (44-388)
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From: Director, FBI (44-38861)-4152

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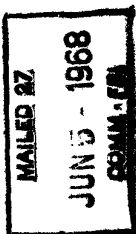
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In view of current Canadian developments,
take no action on recommendations in reCVairtel at this
time, UACB.

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REB/SS RE M.L.King, Jr.
FOR REVIEW AT FBIHQ AND/OR DELIVERY
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 5/31/68

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SAC, PITTSBURGH (44-578) P

SUBJECT:

MURKIN

Re: JAMES EARL RAY

Re Cincinnati teletype to Bureau 6/20/68.

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On 5/21/68, Mrs. ANN JACOBSON, 434 Robb Avenue, Johnstown, Pa., advised SAs EARL W. GALLOWAY and JOHN S. HUGHES that for the past three weeks she has been doing domestic work for a DONALD SHAFFER and a Mrs. HELEN STANCE, at 446 Somerset Street, Johnstown, Pa. She explained that SHAFFER and STANCE are not married, but are living together; that SHAFFER is a local contractor and that he has several employees working for him who meet at the residence of 446 Somerset Street, each morning prior to going out on a particular contracting job.

Mrs. JACOBSON initially denied making any statement to anyone that the "killer of MARTIN LUTHER KING" was in any way connected with SHAFFER or his contracting group. She then advised that she might have made a statement that SHAFFER could be the killer of MARTIN LUTHER KING inasmuch as he drinks excessively and has made statements that he could see nothing wrong with KING's assassination. Mrs. JACOBSON stated that all of SHAFFER's workmen are in their late teens or early 20's; that none of them look like JAMES EARL RAY, but that SHAFFER bears some slight resemblance to the subject.

On 5/22/68, Detective HAROLD BERKEYBILE, Police Department, Johnstown, Pa., advised that he is personally acquainted with SHAFFER; that SHAFFER has been a fly-by-night contractor in Johnstown for many years; that one of SHAFFER's employees is his brother, JOSEPH, and that SHAFFER could not in any way be identical to JAMES EARL RAY.

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is Cincinnati telephone to Bureau 2/30/68.

RE: JAMES EARL RAY.

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1. JAMES EARL RAY, SUSPECTED ASSASSIN OF REV. MARTIN LUTHER KING, ARRESTED AT LONDON AIRPORT BY SCOTLAND YARD THIS MORNING.
2. UNDERSTAND DETAILED STATEMENT FURNISHING ALL KNOWN FACTS WAS RELEASED BY ATTY. GEN. RAMSEY CLARK TODAY. EMB LEGATT RECEIVED TEXT OF STATEMENT BY PHONE AND CONFIRMS ITS ACCURACY.
3. EMB REFERRING INQUIRERS TO PRESS BUREAU OF SCOTLAND YARD FOR INFO. SCOTLAND YARD IS FURNISHING LESS DETAILED INFO THAN ATTY. GEN'S STATEMENT SINCE MATTER IS SUB JUDICE AND BRITISH LAW PERMITS ONLY MINIMAL INFO UNTIL APPEARANCE OF ARRESTED MAN BEFORE A MAGISTRATE.
4. RAY WILL ATTEND REMAND HEARING AT BOW STREET MAGISTRATES COURT ON MONDAY AT 10:30. BRUCE

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SUBJECT: EXTRADITION OF JAMES EARL RAY

1. WE ARE ADVISED THAT PHOTOGRAPH AND FINGERPRINT CARD SENT TO DEPARTMENT BY MISSOURI AND ATTACHED TO ORIGINAL WILKINSON CERTIFICATE FORWARDED TO LONDON ARE THE ORIGINAL RECORDS TAKEN FROM THE FILE OF THE MISSOURI STATE PENITENTIARY (BELIEVE ORIGINAL CERTIFICATE DESCRIBES THEM AS TRUE COPIES).

2. YOU ARE REQUESTED TO PRESENT SUPPLEMENTARY NOTE REQUESTING RETURN OF ORIGINAL PHOTOGRAPH AND FINGERPRINT CARD TO USG UPON COMPLETION OF EXTRADITION HEARING. RUSK

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM: SAC, PHOENIX (44-371) (P)

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Re Memphis tel, 5/20/68.

On 5/26/68, Mrs. DAVID (EDNA) WILSON, Flagstaff, Arizona, advised SA C. RICHARD WARNER, JR., that her husband, DAVID WILSON, telephoned her 5/10/68 from Grand Junction, Colorado, telling her he was coming home and had arranged with his employer, Continental Body Shop, Phoenix, Arizona, to return to work. She stated, however, she has heard nothing further and she has contacted her husband's employer at Phoenix, who likewise has heard nothing from DAVID WILSON. Mrs. WILSON said that in her 5/10/68 conversation with her husband the latter brought up the tape recording of the anonymous telephone call to the Coconino County Sheriff's Office and made the statement, "It sure sounds a lot like me, doesn't it?". Mrs. WILSON said that they discussed the possibility that he had made the call and he strongly implied that he knew it was his own voice on the tape but he did not specifically state or admit that he made the phone call.

FD-302 of this interview will be forwarded to Memphis by routing slip.

On 5/31/68, HARVEY WOLDT, Continental Body Shop, Phoenix, Arizona, advised SA WILLIAM A. MEHRENS that he has not heard from DAVID WILSON and does not know the latter's whereabouts.

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