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Memorandum

го : Mr. DeLeach

DATE: June 12, 1968

FROM : A. Roser

1 - Mr. DeLoach 1 - 1 - Mr. Rosen 1 - 1

1 - Mr. Gale1 - Mr. Conrad

1 - Mr. Malley
1 - Mr. McGowan

1 - Mr. Bishop

1 - Mr. Long

1 - Mr. Sullivan

SUBJECT: MURKIN

1 - Mr. Sullivan 1 - Mr. Trotter

Legat Minnich called from London at 1:35 p.m. (D.C. time). He advised the extradition request had been formally given to the Foreign Office, London, and delivered to the British Home Office. Minnich states the British authorities hope they can hear the extradition proceedings on June 21st. He pointed out that in the event the extradition proceedings result in the Magistrate ordering Ray extradited, then a 15-day waiting period would occur. This is a mandatory requirement in which the defendant would have a chance to appeal the decision of the Magistrate. The above solely refers to the extradition proceedings.

The other procedure which is under way is the hearing on the English charge that Ray came into the country using false passport and also had a revolver in his possession. In this connection, Minnich states this hearing, which is set for June 18th, may possibly require the presence of George J. Bonebrake, a Latent Fingerprint Examiner assigned to our Identification Division who handled the finger-print identification in this case. I have advised Trotter with reference to this possibility and the fact Bonebrake may be needed, in which event he would have to make preparations now in order to be ready to depart on very short notice.

The Memphis Office is trying to locate Charles Q. Stephens for the purpose of having him execute an affidavit. He is the individual who was in the rooming house in Memphis occupied by subject Ray at the time of the commission of the offense. It is possible they may desire to have a Laboratory representative appear with reference to some of the evidence relating to the clothing and personal effects which were picked up as evidence in this case. It is recalled that certain of the hairs and fibers which were found on the bedspread matched the hairs and fibers which were found in a sheet which was found in a car in Atlanta abandoned by Ray. I have alerted Mr. Conrad concerning the possibility a Laboratory expert may be needed to proceed to London on short notice.

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Memorandum to Mr. DeLoach

Re: MURKIN

Minnich also advised me he will make an additional recommendation with reference to Agents Kenneth Bounds and George Zeiss being retained. He said he will be in a position to advise the Bureau with reference to whether they should remain after the extradition hearing on June 21st.

### ACTION:

For record purposes.

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Mr. Bishop

DATE: 6-13-68

FROM

D. C. Morrell

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By letter dated June 9th, captioned individual wrote the Director, "I was agreeably surprised to read of the capture of Dr. King's assassin for I felt rather certain that he had been allowed to escape. However good Old Scotland Yard did the job for us Either they are more efficient than the F. B. I. or like "Avis they Try Harder."

### INFORMATION IN BUFILES:

Based on available information, correspondent cannot be identified in Bufiles. She listed no street and gave only 'Cincinnati, Ohio' as her address.

### RECOMMENDATION:

In view of her remarks and in the absence of any return address, it is recommended that no attempt be made to further identify her or acknowledge her communication.

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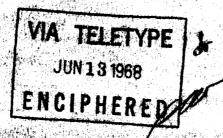
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ARRANGEMENTS EFFECTED BY MINISTER OF EMBASSY TODAY BRIEFED ASSISTANT
ATTORNEY GENERAL VINSON IN MY PRESENCE, ON ALL SECURITY ARRANGEMENTS
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THE MYSICAL RECURITY ARRANGEMENTS, THE FACT SUBJECT IS IN THE "CONDEMNED
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BRITISH DIRECTOR OF PRISON SECURITY

MAUNSELL THEN ASKED IF I COULD OBTAIN INFO THAT WOULD BE OF GREAT

ASSISTANCE TO HIM AS FOLLOWS:

MEDICAL HISTORY OF SUBJECT; DETAILS OF SUBJECT'S ESCAPE FROM MISSOURI STATE PEN, DETAILS OF ANY OTHER ESCAPES OR ATTEMPTED ESCAPES; ANY RECORD OF VIOLENCE AGAINST PRISON STAFF; ANY OTHER AVAILABLE INFO THAT WOULD BE OF VALUE TO PRISON AUTHORITIES, SUCH AS LOCK PICKING ABILITY, ETC. ALSO ANY DETAILS AS TO METHOD ALLEGEDLY USED BY RAY TO SATURATE A CLOTH WITH AMPHETAMINE TYPE DRUGS, METHOD OF RECOVERING SUCH DRUGS AFTER CLOTH HAS DRIED AND ANY INFO AS TO HOW RAY'S CLOTHES COULD BE CLEANED TO INSURE ANY DRUGS IN CLOTHING ARE REMOVED.

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I TOLD MAUNSELL I WOULD ATTEMPT TO EXPEDITIOUSLY OBTAIN THIS INFO.

VINSON AT THIS TIME TOLD HIM "THE FBI HAS DONE AN OUTSTANDING JOB IN

TRACING AND COMPILING SUBJECT'S BACKGROUND AND WOULD UNDOUBTEDLY HAVE

MOST OF THE INFO DESIRED READILY AVAILABLE."

ALL INFO FURNISHED BY MAUNSELL IS CONSIDERED BY BRITISH HOME SECRETARY TO HAVE BEEN FURNISHED WITH UNDERSTANDING IT SHOULD NOT BE DISSEMINATED IN ANY FASHION WHICH WOULD PUT IT IN REALM OF PUBLIC KNOW-LEDGE.

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To: FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

Date: June 13, 1968

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Examination requested by: Bureau

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6/11/68

Request comparison of photograph of Eric Starw Galt taken in connection with his attendance at a bartender's school in early 1968 with photographs of James Earl Ray taken at the time of his imprisonment in 1960 and 1966

### Result of examination:

It was determined that the individual depicted in the photograph of Eric Starwo Galt that was taken in connection with his attendance at a bartender's school in early 1968 and the individual in the photographs of James Earl Ray that were taken at the time of his imprisonment in 1960 and 1966 are photographs of the same individual.

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### June 13, 1968

### GENERAL INVESTIGATA. É DIVISION

Legal Attache, London, advised AAG Vinson discussed security arrangements with Director of Prison Security at Wandsworth Prison where Ray is confined. Vinson is to return to Washington tonight (6/13/68) and report to the Attorney General on morning of 6/14/68.

Director of Prison Security has requested information concerning medical history of subject, details of his escapes, any record of violence against prison staff and information such as lock picking ability.

Legal Attache will be furnished information concerning Ray's medical history, available information regarding his escapes and fact that he was known to have enrolled in locksmithing course. (The Bureau, of course, has no way of evaluating his ability to pick a lock.)

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Mr. DeLoach

SUBJECT: MURKIN

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

The attached memorandum is being furnished to Assistant Attorney General Stephen J. Pollak of the Civil Rights Division in view of the fact the Attorney General has stated that he wanted Pollak to divorce himself from other work and to supervise this case. The Attorney General also asked that Pollak be kept advised of pertinent information in The material contained in the attached memorandum this case. has been taken from cablegrams and teletypes, and Pollak is being informed that the information is based on preliminary communications and complete details will be incorporated in reports setting forth results of investigation.

Briefly, material being submitted concerns information that Robert McDouldton has identified himself to the Toronto Police as the "fat man." He claims he found an envelope in a telephone booth and delivered it to Sneyd, the name Ray was using, at the Dundas address and that this was his only connection with the subject. Also included is an itemization of articles found among the effects of Sneyd at the time of his arrest in London including the revolver, camera, transistor radio, and articles of clothing.

Information is also being included that an individual using the name R. W Trotter telephoned the Pentagon on June 7, 1968, claiming he was the killer of Dr. King and knew the girl in the polka dot dress who was at the scene of the shooting of Senator Kennedy in Los Angeles. Trotter was interviewed and denied making the phone call, and denied having any information concerning the murder of Dr. King or Senator Kennedy. He has a general reputation in Cunningham, Tennessee, his place of residence, of being unreliable, untrustworthy, and an alecholic.

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In addition, the following information is also Charles Q Stephens, the "wino" who was a witness in the rooming house in Memphis when the shooting occurred, has been located in Memphis by FBI Agents; the .38 caliber revolver Ray had in his possession when apprehended in London. has been traced to a man in Birmingham, Alabama, who sold it to an unknown individual answering Ray's description in October, 1967, (Ray was residing in Birmingham at that time); Ralph M. Carpenter, the York Arms Company employee who sold the binoculars to the subject, is confined to a mental institution, however, the physician in attendance stated that it is his opinion that Carpenter is competent when not involved in his current disorder and that it should have no bearing on the previous information he furnished; Ray was in Lisbon, Portugal, May 8 - 17, 1968, and reportedly consorted with local women; Ray is presently being held in Wandsworth Prison under unprecedented security provisions; Scotland Yard is continuing extensive investigation to develop information concerning Ray's activities in London; and that among Ray's effects at the time of his arrest was a memorandum or article setting out detailed description of the theory and specifications regarding silencers for firearms.

#### ACTION:

This case is continuing to receive high priority and the Department will be kept advised of pertinent facts.

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Memo Rosen to DeLoach

RE: MURKIN

### **ACTION:**

New York is immediately submitting the letter to the Bureau for appropriate handwriting comparison examination (anonymous letter file) and latent fingerprint examinations.

Legal Attache, London and the Memphis Office will be advised of its receipt as well as Assistant Attorney General Stephen  $J_{\bullet}$  Pollak of the Department.

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# June 13, 1968 GENERAL INVESTIGA', JE DIVISION

This case involves murder of Martin Luther King, Jr.

The attached teletype relates to investigation being conducted by Toronto Police Department authorities concerning subject's activities while in Toronto, Canada. The attached teletype also states that Toronto Police authorities are informing the local press that the "mysterious fat man" has been located, interviewed and eliminated and that he had no significance in the investigation. Authorities are not releasing anything concerning identity of the "Mysterious fat man."

This information is being sent the Assistant Attorney General in charge of the Civil Rights Division of the Department.

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NOTIONAL ACADEMY

TO DIRECTOR (44-38861) AND MEMPHIS (44-1987)

FROM BUFFALO (44-374)

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Teletype
RE BUFFALO TEL, JUNE ELEVEN LAST, AND MEMPHIS TEL. JUNE

TWELVE LAST.

INSPECTOR RICHARD GIBSON (NA), IN CHARGE ON THE CENTRAL IDENTIFICATION BUREAT, METROPOLITAN TORONTO POLICE DEPT. (MIPD), HAD
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MAN" HAS BEEN LOCATED, INTERVIEWED AND ELIMINATED AND THAT HE HAD

NO SIGNIFICANCE IN THE INVESTIGATION. HE IS NOT SELECTION ASING ANYTHING

CONCERNING THE IDENTITY OF THE "MYSTERIOUS FAT MAN."

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Honorable Thomas Vail Editor The Plain Dealer 1801 Superior Avenue, Northeast Cleveland, Ohio 44114



Dear Mr. Vail:

I have had the opportunity to read the editorial, "Ray's Arrest Tribute to Tenacity," which appeared in the June 9th edition of your paper. I very much appreciate your favorable comments concerning the cooperative effort of law enforcement agencies on an international scale which resulted in the apprehension of James Earl Ray.

I am certainly pleased that you have expressed to your readers your high regard for the work of the FBI and those other agencies which gave such splendid cooperation in this investigation. Your support is deeply appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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NOTE: Bufiles indicate prior correspondence with Vail, last outgoing 12-7-64 regarding a favorable editorial. We have enjoyed cordial relations with his newspaper.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

FROM

SUBJECT: MURKIN

June 13, 1968 DATE:

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Legat Minnich called from London at 6:40 a.m., (D. C. time) and spoke to extra duty supervisor Louis E. Rhyne. He advised at the request of Assistant Attorney General (AAG) Vinson, he had ascertained from New Scotland Yard that in the British Courts the fingerprint expert needs sixteen points of identification in fingerprint testimony. This information was given to Vinson by Minnich and he, Minnich, suggested this information be furnished latent fingerprint examiner George J. Bonebrake.

Minnich advised that AAG Vinson is leaving London today at 2:30 p.m. (London time) via Pan American Flight #107 and is due to arrive at Dulles Airport approximately 5:15 p.m. (Washington time). Vinson or some other member of the Department or both will fly back to London a day or two before the extradition hearing. It is believed at the present time that this hearing will be held on June 21, 1968. Latent fingerprint examiner Bonebrake was advised of the above information relating to fingerprint testimony.

### ACTION:

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

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Mr. Rosen

FROM : C. L. McGowata

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: June 13, 1968

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At 7:30 p.m., 6-13-68, Assistant Attorney General Stephen J. Pollak, Civil Rights Division, called and advised Extra-Duty Supervisor H. E. Helgeson that they had affidavits in Memphis and Los Angeles which they needed in Washington as soon as possible, and he requested Bureau assistance in expedite handling.

He was queried as to the urgency of this matter, and he advised arrangements have been made to have these affidavits certified by the State Department on 6-14-68, and then flown to London on a plane leaving 6-14-68.

### ACTION:

Appropriate arrangements were made with the Los Angeles and Memphis Offices to obtain the affidavits from Departmental representatives and place them on flights leaving night of 6-13-68, for Washington. Washington Field Office was alerted to pick up the affidavits and deliver them to the Duty Agent in the General Investigative Division. These affidavits should be delivered to Mr. Pollak's Office on the morning of 6-14-68.

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ADDENDUM: GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION

REL:rpr 6/14/68

The packages from Memphis and Los Angeles were delivered to the Civil Rights Section and these were hand-carried and delivered to Mr. Stephen J. Pollak personally at 9:05 a.m. on June 14, 1968.

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June 13, 1968

2418 Hunt Street

Vicksburg, Mississippi 39180

Dear Sir:

Your letter of June 6th has been received, and I appreciate receiving your communication.

As you are now aware, James Earl Ray, who was sought by this Bureau in connection with the slaying of Martin Luther King, was arrested on June 8th in London, England, and is now awaiting extradition to the United States to face charges of murder in the State of Tennessee.

Sirhan Bishara Sirhan, the accused murderer of Senator Kennedy, is currently in custody of authorities in Los Angeles, California, to face trial on state charges of murder and assault there.

Very truly yours,

MAILED 12 JUN 14 1968

COMM-FBI

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover

Director

NOTE: Correspondent is not identifiable in Bufiles.

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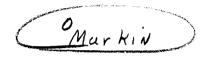
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2418 Hunt Street Vicksburg, Mississippi June 6, 1968

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Dear Mr. Hoover;



Lawlessness in America is outrages you being head of the federal bureau of investigation need to proscute person or persons involved in all these lawlessness attempts on people's lives. Dr King was assinated and there has been no arrest by your department or no one put in jail. Now senator Kennedy attempt on his life what will be done about this? there seem to be no law in America against killing, bombing and attempts to kill a person, or persons. I would like to know your comment on this.

Yours Truly
Willie Adams
president of youth N.A.A.C.P.

Mr. Willie Adams 2418 Hunt Street Vicksburg, Mississippi 39180

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TO LEGATS, LONDON

FROM DIRECTOR, FBI MURKIN.

SAN DIEGO OFFICE ADVISED JUNE THIRTEEN, SIXTYEIGHT, THAT ON JUNE TWELVE, LAST, MRS. THOMAS C. CUNNINGHAM, SIX THREE ONE ORPHEUS, ENCINITAS, CALIFORNIA, ADVISED SHE RECENTLY TRAVELED TO EUROPE AND WAS ABOARD BRITISH EUROPEAN AIRWAYS, FLIGHT SIX ZERO SIX, LONDON, ENGLAND, TO FRANKFORT, GERMANY, DEPARTING HEATHROW AIRPORT, SLOUGH, ENGLAND, FIVE PM, MAY TWENTYFOUR, LAST, ARRIVING FRANKFORT, GERMANY, FIVE FORTY PM, MAY TWENTY-FOUR, LAST. SEATED DIRECTLY ACROSS FROM HER WAS AN INDIVIDUAL WHOM SHE BELIEVED IDENTICAL TO JAMES EARL RAY. THIS INDIVIDUAL DEFINITELY WAS NOT ENGLISH AND APPEARED TO BE FAMILIAR WITH THE FRANKFORT AREA. GIVING THE IMPRESSION HE WAS A COMMUTER AND TOLD HER THAT HE WAS MORE FAMILIAR WITH THE LUFTHANSA AIRLINES

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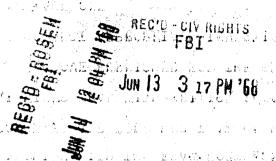
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**DIRECTOR (44-38861)** 

FROM

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**EX-115** 

SAC. Los Angeles

REC- 71 38621-4486 Director, FBI From:

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Edgar Downing - complainant.

Enclosed for Los Angeles are two copies of a letter from Edgar Downing, Del-Mar Hotel, Room 312, 257 East Ocean Boulevard, Long Beach, California, dated 6-9-68. One copy is enclosed for Memphis. 90202

You should immediately interview Downing for any pertinent information he may have relating to this case. At the time of interview orally acknowledge receipt of his letter. The correspondent indicates that he previously contacted the FBI, no location designated; however, no record can be located regarding such contact in Bureau files.

Los Angeles, see your file 157-909, airtel dated 8-13-64, captioned "Mississippi Summer Project, Racial Situation, State of Mississippi, Racial Matters," and your airtel dated 12-22-66, captioned "Dr. Gerald Colm, National Planning Association, Information Concerning," which indicates hat Edgar Downing of Long Beach, California, has previously Efurnished information, in unrelated matters, to your office.

157-1676-944 and 94-38687-7.)

Advise Bureau upon completion of interview of

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MAIL ROOM TELETYPE UNIT

Mer. J. Edgar Hoover Lirector: F. B. L. Washington, L.C.

Dear Mr. Hoover

Murkin

I have just read in today's Los Angeles Time of James Earl Ray's arrest in England. The article was written by Robert L. Jackson, from Nashington (a Times Staff Writer)

The article mentioned the fact that it is not known in what way Ray arrived in Canada. — It is this reason that I write this letter to you.

Three or four (mabie five) days after martin Luther King was killed, I was in the lobby of the Del-Mar hotel and saw a man register for a room. Later, I saw pictures of the man that killed King. These pictures dient register in my mind as being the man that I saw register the Hel-Mar hotel here in Long Beach. Then she allow bown of Ray before, it was this picture that who woned reconized as being the man who woned registared for a room at the Del-Mar hotel. I then went to the office of the F.B. L. and preported my story described above. About one hour after going to the F.B. L. is office, I lought want who

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a local newspaper which stated the fact that Ray wonce took dancing lessons here in Long Beach.

Could it be possible that Ray came from Atlanta, Sa. by plane to Los Angeles, Calif., and then bought a plane ticket to Canada?

Thank you very much. I am

Zours Truly
Edgar Llowning
Llel-Mar Hotel
Room 312
257 & Ocean Blvd.
Long Beach, Calif.
90802

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ON

**EX-115** 

Miss Jeanne Morris

President

The lows Association of Colored

Women's Clubs

Des Moines, Iowa

Dear Miss Morris:

Thank you for your communication of June 11th. It was indeed kind of you to comment as you did with respect to the case involving James Earl Ray and I want you to know your thoughtfulness is appreciated.

MAILED 12 JUN 14 1968

COMM-FBI

Sincerely yours.

J. Edgar Hoover

NQTE: Bufiles contain no record identifiable with correspondent. Amore specific address could not be obtained as Jeanne Morris could not be identified in the current telephone directory. Also, there is no listing for the Iowa Association of Colored Women's Chabs in the directory. As Des Moines had a multiple zip system. nothin is being utilized.

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CC: Mr. Bishop

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TO SAC DALLAS (44-2649)

FROM DIRECTOR (44-38861)

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UNLESS CIRCUMSTANCES DICTATE TO THE CONTRARY, DALLAS WILL LOCATE AND INTERVIEW GENE BASS CONCERNING INFORMATION FURNISHED BY ANONYMOUS CALLER. AIRMAIL COPIES SENT TO MEMPHIS, SEATTLE AND CHICAGO.

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Chicago advises that an anonymous caller who claimed to be an escapee from Washington State Prison, Walla Walla, Washington, and claims to have given \$1600 to Gene Bass, Dallas, Texas, for the job that was done by James Earl Ray. Dallas advises that Gene Bass possibly referred to by an anonymous call as being owner of a meat packing company in Dallas is possibly identical to Gene Lloyd Bass employed as a delivery man for Arnold Meat Company, Dallas. According to Dallas, Bass has been subject of Bureau cases. Dallas being advised that unless circumstances dictate to the contrary, Bass should be interviewed regarding the anonymous call.

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