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Enclosed for Memphis for information are the following documents:

- 1. A copy of an order signed by the President of the United States regarding the extradition of subject.
- 2. A copy of the custody log regarding James Earl Ray's flight returning him to the United States.
- 3. A copy of the conversation between Mr. Herfurt, Consul General attached to the American Embassy in London, and Arthur Hanes, Counsel for subject.

The above documents are for your information only, and are not to be disclosed outside your office.

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: SAC, BIRMINGHAM (44-1740)(P)

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A comparison of the names appearing in the photographic prints of the guest registrations with the names appearing as guests at the Rebel Motel, Memphis, on 4/3/68, was completed in the Birmingham Office on 7/24/68.

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The photographic prints as furnished by the Bureau will be retained.

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It is noted that during the MURKIN investigation in April 1968, Mr. JOHN MIZE had contacted the FBI with info that later proved of no value; at this time MIZE was quite interested in reward money and possibly publicity for his hotel.

Above matter being brought to Bureau's attention a in event local press is contacted by MIZE.

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TO DIRECTOR 44-38861

FROM MEMPHIS 44-1987 1 P

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SHELBY COUNTY JAIL ON JULY TWENTY EIGHT NEXT.

CAPT. J. G. RAY, INTELLIGENCE UNIT, MEMPHIS PD, WHO HAS BEEN ASSIGNED TO RESPONSIBILITY FOR RAY'S SECURITY, HAS REQUESTED PHOTOGRAPHIC COPIES OF BOTH JOHN AND JERRY RAY'S FINGERPRINTS IN ORDER TO INSURE THAT THESE INDIVIDUALS REQUESTING PERMISSION TO VISIT JAMES EARL RAY ARE IN FACT 44-38861 - 4946 RAY'S BROTHERS.

THE FBI IDENTIFICATION DIVISION IS REQUESTED TO IMME-DIATELY FORWARD TO THE MEMPHIS DIVISION PHOTOGRAPHIC OR SUITABLE COPIES OF JOHN AND JERRY RAY SEFINGERPRINTS.

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NO OTHER PERTINENT INFORMATION DEVELOPED TO DATE.

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Latent impressions remaining unidentified in this case are not identical with major case prints of Ray.

Major case prints of Ray currently being compared with latents in National Unidentified Latent File. Results furnished in a subsequent report.

Major case prints of Ray being retained and used in preparation of court exhibits for trial this case.

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MI 44-388 attempt to locate long distance toll records for three calls made from an unknown telephone number, Union Grove, Wisconsin, to the following telephone numbers in Lenoir, North Carolina, on June 11, 1968: 704-758-2908; 704-754-4930; 704-758-2100. On July 23, 1968, WENZEL advised a search had been made of toll call records covering Union Grove, Wisconsin, during the pertinent period, and that said search failed to locate any toll calls reflecting calls to the above numbers. He said that if the calls were made on a collect basis or if a credit card was used, the records would be found in North Carolina. It is noted that in the original interview with Mrs. FOXIE, she advised that the unknown caller paid for his phone calls and also apparently was calling from a coinoperated telephone. <u>LEADS</u> MILWAUKEE DIVISION At Kenosha, Racine, and Union Grove, Wisconsin Will conduct credit and criminal checks on the name of ROBERT FRANKLIN SANDERS. - <u>2</u> -2025 RELEASE UNDER E.O. 14176

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO

DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

DATE: 7/26/68

FROM

AAO, DALLAS (44-2649)(P)

SUBJECT:

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Re Chicago airtel to Memphis dated 6/11/68; Bureau teletype to Dallas dated 6/14/68, and Dallas airtel to Bureau dated 6/18/68, all relating to possible involvement of GENE BASS in conspiracy to kill MARTIN LUTHER KING.

On 7/3/68, LLOYD GENE, BASS was interviewed by SA WILLIAM B. HOLLOMAN at Dallas, Texas. BASS denied knowing any present or former inmate of the Washington State Penitentiary. He stated he certainly did not give anyone any amount of money to have MARTIN LUTHER KING killed. He said he has been almost destitute himself for many months and has had to resort to writing bad checks and petty thefts to sustain himself. He denied that he has any knowledge of any conspiracy to kill KING or has ever made any statement to anyone concerning having KING killed. He stated he does not own any meat packing company but has worked as a meat cutter and delivery man for meat packers in the Dallas area. He is presently employed as a meat cutter for Acers Meat Company, 1737 Levy Street, Dallas, and resides at 3320, Marvin D. Love Freeway, Apt. 109, Dallas. Texas

FD-302, nine copies, setting forth results of interview of BASS are enclosed herewith for Memphis.

UACB, no further investigation re BASS being conducted.

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Director, FBI (44-38861)

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Re Legat, London's airtel to Bureau dated 7/16/68. Enclosed for Memphis is a copy of re communication together with its enclosures.

This is strictly for the information of the Memphis Division and it is pointed out on page two of referenced communication that the information is classified confidential and possession of them should not be made known to other sources and in this regard revelation outside the Bureau or Department would je pardize the Legat's source. The documents have been furnished to the Department.

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July 30, 1968

GENERAL INVESTIGATE DIVISION

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

Attached relates to article in Memphis newspaper "Press Scimitar" concerning Arthur J. Hanes, attorney for James Earl Ray. Also pertains to question posed by reporter of another Memphis newspaper "Commercial Appeal" as to whether it is a violation of Federal Law to carry a loaded weapon on an airplane.

Memphis contacted and they advised they had no information to indicate that Hanes carried a weapon aboard an aircraft.

Carrying a weapon aboard an aircraft is a violation of United States Code, Title 49, Section 1472.

No investigation being conducted; will follow with Tennessee authorities.

Department being advised.

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TO DIRECTOR (44-38861)

FROM MEMPHIS 44-1987

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RE MEMPHIS TELEPHONE CALL THIS DATE TO THE BUREAU. THE JULY TWENTYNINE SIXTYEIGHT ISSUE OF THE MEMPAHIS "PRESS SCIMITAR". A DAILY AFTERNOON MEMPHIS NEWSPAPER. CARRIED AN ARTICLE WHEREIN ARTHUR J. HANES. ATTORNEY FOR JAMES EARL RAY. TELEPHOMICALLY CONFIRMED TO THE "PRESS SCIMITAR" FROM BIRMINGHAM THAT HE CARRIED A PISTOL ON HIS PERSON DURING ONE OF HIS RECENT APPEARANCES AT THE SHELBY COUNTY JAIL TO VISIT RAY. ACCORDING TO THIS ARTICLE, THE PISTOL WAS RECOVERED WHEN SHERIFFS DEPUTIES SEARCHED HANES PRIOR TO ALLOWING HANES REC 4644-3 INTO THE AREA WHERE RAY IS CONFINED HANES CLAIMED HE DOES HAVE AN ALABAMA LICENSE TO CARRY A WEAPON. ROBERT K. DWYER, JUL 31 1968 EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL. WAS QUOTED AS SAYING HE-WAS GOING TO LOOK INTO THE SITUATION, STATING THAT "NEITHER TO A STATING THE S MR. HANES NOR ANY OTHER CITIZEN HAS A RIGHT TO GO ARMED IN IT IS A VIOLATION OF THE LAW." TENNESSEE. 79 AUG 6-1968

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THE MEMPHIS OFFICE RECEIVED AN INQUIRY THIS DATE

FROM A REPORTER FOR THE "COMMERCIAL APPEAL" A MEMPHIS

MORNING DAILY NEWSPAPER AS TO WHETHER IT IS A VIOLATION OF

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DID NOT REFER TO HANES. THIS REPORTER WAS REFERRED TO THE OFFICE OF

THE U. S. ATTORNEY, MEMPHIS, TENN., THE U. S. ATTORNEY BEING THE

LEGAL OFFICER FOR THE U. S. GOVERNMENT. ANY ADDITIONAL INQUIRIES

RECEIVED FROM NEWS MEDIA CONCERNING THIS PARTICULAR MATTER

WILL BE ANSWERED BY "NO COMMENT."

NO FORMAL COMPLAINT AGAINST HANES HAS BEEN RECEIVED

BY THE MEETH'S DIVISION, THEREFORE, MEMPHIS DOES NOT INTEND

TO TAKE ANY FURTHER ACTION IN REGARD TO A POSSIBLE VIOLATION

OF FEDERAL LAW BY HANES IN REGARD TO THE LOADED

WEAPON. HOWEVER, IF A FORMAL COMPLAINT IS RECEIVED.

THE BUREAU WILL BE ADVISED. P.

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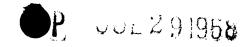
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To:

FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

Date:

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Examination requested by:

John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No.

Lab. No.

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Reference:

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Examination requested.

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Remarks:

As previously reported, Caucasian head hairs that could have briginated from one person were found on or in the following specimens:

ITEMS FROM MEMPHIS SCENE:

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ITEMS FROM 1966 FORD MUSTANG:

Q95 Sweat shirt Q95 Ped sheet Q99 Pillowcase Q100 Bed sheet

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Q114 - Q117 Vacuum sweepings

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Q206 Sofa pillow Q207 Bed sheet Q208 Bed sheet

The above hairs were compared with the K487 head hair clippings from Ray.

Specimens Q392, Q393 and K487 along with the resubmitted glass slides are being returned to Memphis under separate cover by registered mail.

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MURKIN

Date: FBI File No. Lab. No.

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Specimens received

7/24/68

Q392 Bed sheet Q393 Bed sheet

K487 Head hair sample from James Earl Ray

Resubmission of:

Twenty-three glass mic roscope slides containing hairs from Q13, Q15, Q24, Q26, Q29, Q30, Q38 and Q46 and fibers from Q1, Q2, Q13 and Q26

Results of examination:

Caucasian head hairs that could have originated from one person were previously recovered from specimens Q13, Q15, Q26, Q29, Q30, Q38, Q95, Q97, Q99, Q100, Q103, Q114, Q115, Q116, Q117, Q206, Q207 and Q208. The above hairs exhibit the same microscopic characteristics as the K487 hairs and could have originated from the same person as the K487 hairs. It is pointed out that hairs do not possess enough individual microscopic characteristics to be positively identified as originating from a particular person.

A few Caucasian head hairs were found on the Q392 and Q393 bed sheets. These hairs exhibit the same microscopic characteristics as hairs in specimen K487 and could have originated from the K487 source.

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Also enclosed in the same package are head hair specimens of RAY obtained from RAY on 7/23/68 by Sheriff WILLIAM MORNIS, Shelby County, Tenn., Sheriff's Department.

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Also enclosed in the same package are two bed sheets upon which JAMES BAY has slept in the Shelby County, Tenn., Jail between a.m. 7/19/68 and s.m. 7/23/68.

The above described hairs and fibers appear on a total of 12 which were obtained in connection with the investigation of exptioned matter.

The JET Laboratory is requested to compare the additional evidence being submitted with the specimens appearing on the enclosed slides which were previously submitted to the Laboratory.

Upon completion of the examination the Laboratory is requested to return the submitted hair and fiber slides and two bed sheets in order that the slides may be returned to the State Attorney General's Office, Memphis, and the Sheets returned to the Shelby County Sheriff's Department.

If the head hair of RAY enclosed as a specimen for this communication is determined to be of evidentiary value these hairs may be retained by the Laboratory. If these hairs are determined to be of no evidentiary value they may be destroyed by the Laboratory.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

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Mr. DeLoach

FROM

A. Rosen

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: July 26, 1968

1 - Mr. DeLoach

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This is the case involving the murder of Martin Luther

King, Jr.

Attorney Arthur J. Hanes, defense counsel for James Earl Ray in the local Tennessee prosecution of Ray for King's murder, has advised SAC that in the near future he intends to talk to the Director. Hanes stated that this case is of "grave national concern." He also stated "the thrust came from the Left." Hanes indicated he owes a duty to his client, however, he considers himself an American first and believes that the Bureau should not let up in its efforts. He did not elaborate nor expand on these statements and in response to questions indicated that he would at some future date furnish additional information to the Director.

ACTION:

In the event Hanes attempts to establish contact with the Director, he will not be afforded this opportunity. Hanes will be advised that he should furnish any information that he has to the SAC at Birmingham.

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Mr. Fred M. Vinson, Jr. Assistant Attorney General July 26, 1968

Director, FBI

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ASSASSINATION OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

The British authorities have provided us the following original documents in regards to the extradition proceedings of James Earl Ray:

- 1. Fingerprint comparison charts used in the testimony by our Latent Fingerprint Examiner George J. Bonebrake;
- 2. Fingerprints of Ray as taken on June 8, 1968, by British authorities;
- 3. Two separate orders issued by the Bow Street Magistrates' Court dated June 13, 1968, pursuant to "The Extradition Act, 1870," relative to this matter (One order relates to the murder charge in Tennessee and the other to the escape charge in Missouri.);
 - 4. Medical Officer's Certificate dated July 18, 1968, issued by the authorities of Wandsworth Prison:
 - 5. An order dated July 18, 1968, commanding Ray to be delivered to officials of the United States Government; and
 - 6. Court testimony of several individuals.

In view of the prosecution of James Earl Ray by Tennessee authorities, you are requested to advise if you desire the original documents be furnished to Mr. Phil M. Canale, State Attorney General, Shelby County, Tennessee. Enclosed you will find the copy each of these documents.

Enclosures (7)

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NOTE:

The original documents as listed in this memorandum were given to us by the British authorities. Copies of these documents are enclosed to the Department to this memorandum. In view of the fact that Tennessee authorities are prescuting Ray, the Department is being requested to advise if they desire the original documents to be furnished to Mr. Phil M. Canale, State Attorney General, Shelby County, Tennessee. We are retaining the original documents until the Department advises us.

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Also enclosed in the same package are two bed sheets upon which JAMES RAY has slept in the Shelby County, Tenn., Jail between a.m. 7/19/68 and a.m. 7/23/68.

The above described hairs and fibers appear on a total of 12 slide cartons which were obtained in connection with the investigation of captioned matter.

The FBI Laboratory is requested to compare the additional evidence being submitted with the specimens appearing on the enclosed slides which were previously submitted to the Laboratory.

Upon completion of the examination the Laboratory is requested to return the submitted hair and fiber slides and two bed sheets in order that the slides may be returned to the State Attorney General's Office, Memphis, and the sheets returned to the Shelby County Sheriff's Department.

If the head hair of RAY enclosed as a specimen for this communication is determined to be of evidentiary value these hairs may be retained by the Laboratory. If these hairs are determined to be of no evidentiary value they may be destroyed by the Laboratory.

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ON THIS DATE SUBJECT JAMES EARL RAY APPEARED BEFORE

JUDGE W. PRESTON BATTLE, CRIMINAL COURT, SHELBY COUNTY, MEMPHIS,

TENN. DURING COURSE OF PROCEEDINGS ARTHUR HANES, SR., ATTORNEY

FOR SUBJECT, REQUESTED INDICTMENT BE READ. CLERK OF COURT READ

INDICTMENT. ARTHUR HANES, JR., ALSO PRESENT IN COURT WITH

ARTHUR HANES, SR. STATE WAS REPRESENTED BY ATTORNEY GENERAL PHIL

CANALE AND ROBERT DWYER.

HANES ENTERED PLEA OF NOT GUILTY ON BEHALF OF SUBJECT
RAY. ATTORNEY GENERAL CANALE ADVISED JUDGE BATTLE THAT BOTH HE
AND HANES, ATTORNEY FOR DEFENSE HAD AGREED TRIAL DATE SHOULD BE
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