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Memorandum

TO

: Mr. DeLoach

FROM : A. Rosen

SUBJECT MURKIN

DATE: August 1, 1968

1 - Mr. DeLoach

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

Our Legal Attache in London has forwarded to us a copy of New Scotland Yard report containing all information concerning the activities of subject Ray while in London from May 7, 1968, to the date of his apprehension on June 8, 1968.

This report also contains a summary of investigation conducted by New Scotland Yard in this matter. This information in the report was previously furnished to us in narrative form, and pertinent information was brought to attention of Bureau officials and the Department.

Our Legal Attache advises that the report may be disseminated to Tennessee authorities for assistance in preparing their case for prosecution.

ACTION:

If approved, the report of New Scotland Yard will be forwarded to the Department and the Department will be requested to advise if they desire that a copy of this report be forwarded to Mr. Phil M. Canale, Jr., State Attorney General, Shelby County, Tennessee, who is handling the State's prosecution.

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Major case prints of James Earl Ray, FBI #405942G, compared with latent impressions in bank burglary, bank robbery, and major theft sections of National Unidentified Latent File, but no identification effected.

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To: SAC, St. Louis

Froms Director, FBI (44-38861)

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RePXteletype to Bureau and St. Louis dated 8/1/68 captioned, "Donald James Nissen - Fugitive; Parole Violator," Phoenix file 76-2865, Bureau file 76-30305, Phoenix - office of origin.

Enclosed for St. Louis are two copies of Jackson airtel dated 5/15/68, captioned, "Murkin." A copy of enclosed Jackson airtel was furnished to Phoenix by Bureau airtel dated 5/27/68.

Enclosed Jackson airtel sets forth information furnished by Donald James Nissen on 6/2/67 concerning an alleged offer of \$100,000 to kill Martin Luther King, Jr. RePXteletype indicates Nissen may surrender at St. Louis on 8/5/68. Should Nissen surrender as stated, St. Louis should attempt to thoroughly interview him concerning any additional information he may have developed concerning any plot to kill King since he was last interviewed on 6/2/67.

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NOTE:

Nissen, on 6/2/67, advised our Dallas Office that while incarcerated at Leavenworth Penitentiary, an inmate named Leroy McManaman told Nissen that \$100,000 had been offered by the White Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of Mississippi to anyone who would kill Martin Luther King. Subsequent investigation never uncovered any information which would, in any way, verify the \$100,000 offer. However, after the slaying of King, leads were set out to interview Nissen to determine if he had ever learned any more information concerning such offer. was determined Nissen was a fugitive-parole violator, Phoenix office of origin. On 7/31/68, Nissen telephonically contacted SA G. Wayne Mack, Phoenix Office, and arrangements were made for Nissen to surrender himself to SA Mack at St. Louis on 8/5/68. SA Mack plans to stop in St. Louis on that date enroute to an in-service class beginning 8/12/68. St. Louis being instructed to interview Nissen should he surrender as planned. This matter has been coordinated with the Special Investigative Division.

REC. 78
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EX-100

August 5, 1968

Mr. E. Barbour
69 Ashley Avenue
Charleston, South Carolina 29401

Dear Mr. Barbour:

Thank you for the favorable remarks in your communication of July 28th concerning the work of the FBI in the case involving James Earl Ray. My associates join me in thanking you for your thoughtfulness in writing and I am glad to receive your comments.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

The attached post card was mailed to the Director from Las Vegas, Nevada. The following message appears on the card:

'July 28 '68

As an old traveling man, let me congratulate you on the restraint, and modesty in which you handled the Luther King incident. Nevertheless, if you can now turn the Earl Ray trial against the Communists as Arthur

Hanes suggests the Reds are out to get him, it will be one of the rare accomplishments of the day. I've written (cards) to White House Ass't; CIA -- its Sunday - if in a cooperative manner, the Reds can be exposed on a worldwide scale, it will help clarify the race riots, student unrest, etc. Also Vietnam. It is a singular opening.

E.B. (E. Barbour EX-100) 69 Ashley Ave. 29401

Chas. S.C.)

(Retired, Merchant Marine)

Uniquely, if the Earl Ray trial reveals the Communis_tricks, the people will probably demand LBJ stay on as President.

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MR. TOLSON

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	Enclosed for the Bureau are 18 copies (15 to be forwarded to the Memphis Office) of a letterhead memorandum captioned "JAMES EARL RAY, aka," and dated 7-24-68.
	Remycab 6-6-68, Buairtel 5-7-68 and San Antonio airtel 5-20-68.
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	The first confidential source abroad mentioned in enclosed LHM is SA RICHARD S. CLARK.
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Enclosed for Memphis are two copies of a communication from Legat Mexico together with fifteen copies of a memorandum enclosed to their communication.

You should utilize the enclosures as an insert to your next investigative report concerning the captioned matter.

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NOTE:

Legat Mexico forwarded to the Bureau for transmittal to Memphis the results of investigation conducted concerning subject James Earl Ray. We are forwarding the investigative results to Memphis for inclusion in their next investigative report. The investigative results will not be furnished to the Department at this time, but will be furnished to the Department with report received from Memphis.

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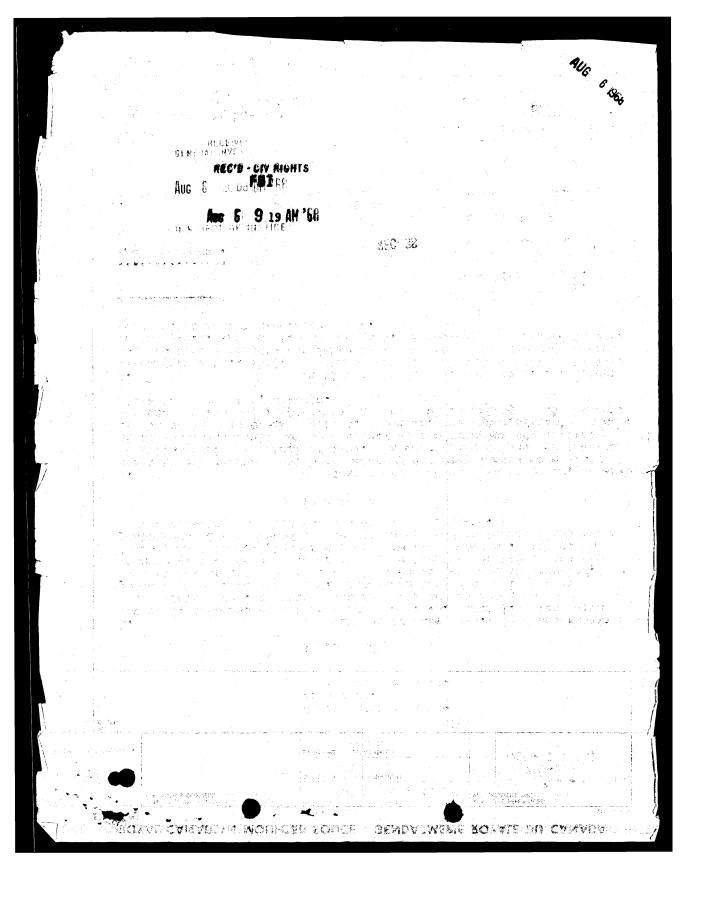


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Special Agent in Charge

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Mr. J. Edgar Hoover Director Federal Bureau of Investigation United States Department of Justice Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

Thanks very much for your letter of July 19, 1968, expressing your appreciation for the part we played in the handling of James Earl Ray.

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We to are appreciative of the Bureau and the assistance they have always given us in matters of mutual concern. I personally shall always feel indebted to you and the Bureau for the National Academy Training I received many years ago, and it might be interesting to you to know that the note books that are completed in the National Academy are still extremely useful to me, and will be throughout my career in Law Enforcement.

Thanks again, and if I or this department can ever be of help in any way I hope you will call on us.

Sincerely

HENRY E. LUX

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Director, FBI (44-38861)

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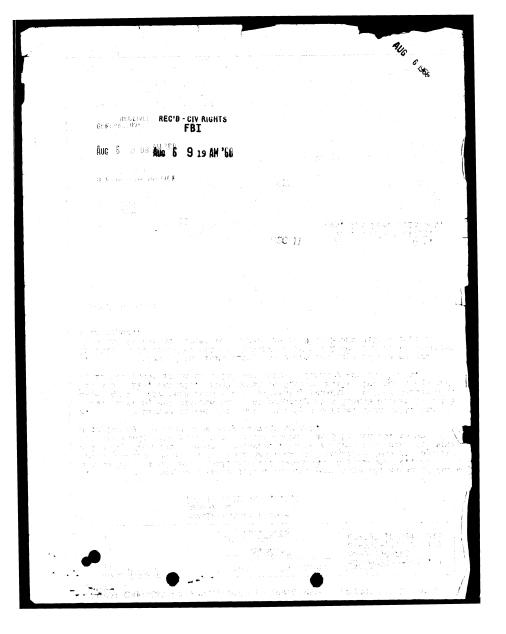


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Director, FBI (44-38861)

DATE: 7-29-68

SAC, Memphis (44-1927)

SUBJECT:

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Re Memphis teletype 6:04 p.m. this date, and Memphis telephone call to Burau.

There are enclosed original and one copy of clipping from 7-29-68 issue "Memphis Press Scimitar" captioned "Defense Attorney Was Armed - Hanes Carried Pistol to Shelby Jail on Visit to Ray."

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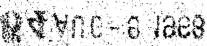
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