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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

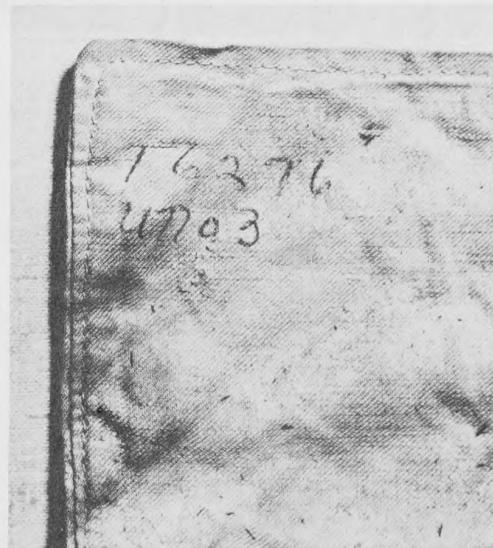
In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

August 12, 1968

TO ALL LAUNDRIES AND DRY CLEANING ESTABLISHMENTS:

On July 13, 1967, two unknown males, wearing stocking masks, robbed The Bank of Alton, Alton, Illinois, at gunpoint and obtained over \$27,000. Investigation of this crime led to the recovery of a white Van Heusen Vanguard shirt and a pair of tan trousers among other items.

The shirt bears laundry marks and the trousers dry cleaning symbols, facsimiles of which appear below. The laundry marks appear on the shirt collar, and dry cleaning symbols appear on the front and rear pockets on the right side of the trousers.



If, after review of the above facsimiles, you feel you have information which would be of assistance to the FBI, please call the nearest office of the FBI, the telephone number of which is in the front page of your telephone directory.

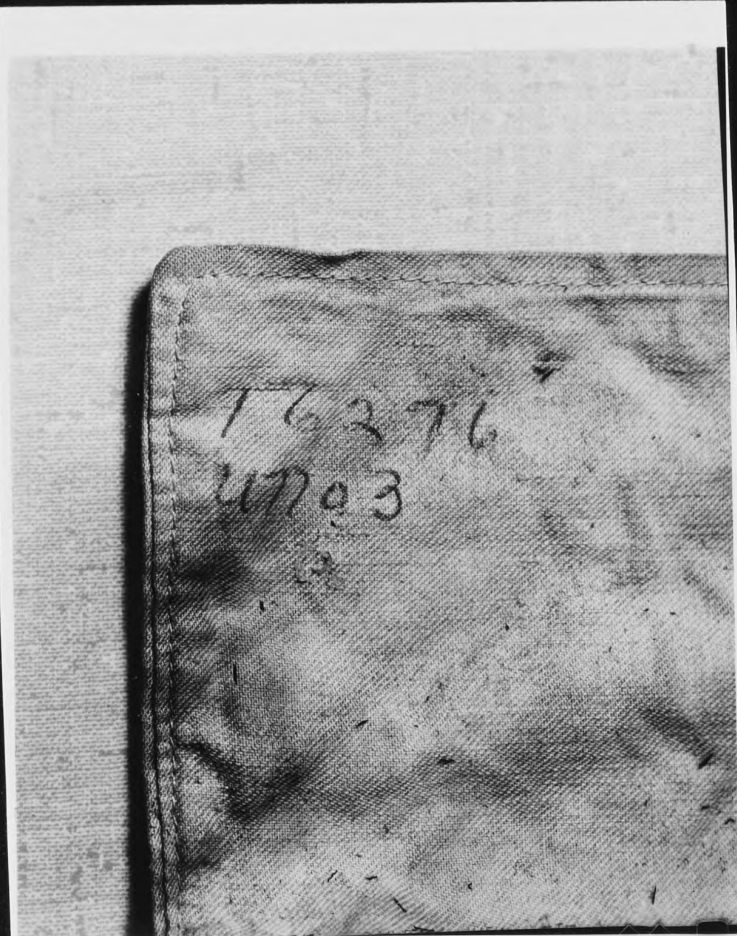
Very truly yours,

J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover
Director

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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ENCLOSURE

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Date: 8/2/68

Transmit the following in _____
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Mr. Tolson	_____
Mr. DeLoach	_____
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Mr. Casper	_____
Mr. Callahan	_____
Mr. Conrad	_____
Mr. Felt	_____
Mr. Gale	_____
Mr. Rosen	_____
Mr. Sullivan	_____
Mr. Tavel	_____
Mr. Trotter	_____
Tele. Room	_____
Miss Holmes	_____
Miss Gandy	_____

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
 FROM: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987) (P)
 SUBJECT: MURKIN

ReMElet to Bureau 7/19/68 and MEtel to Bureau 7/30/68 concerning court orders issued by Shelby County Criminal Court Judge W. PRESTON BATTLE, and ATlet to Bureau 7/29/68 concerning the disposition of the 1966 Mustang abandoned by JAMES EARL RAY in Atlanta, Ga.

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau for information is one xerox copy of an "Amendment to Order" dated 7/23/68 and an "Order" dated 7/30/68, both of which concern "Order on Courthouse and Courtroom Procedures and Publicity" issued by Shelby County Criminal Court Judge W. PRESTON BATTLE.

On 8/2/68 the Honorable PHIL M. CANALE, District State Attorney General, Memphis, Tenn., advised SA ROBERT F. BOYLE that he does not see any need for the physical presence in Memphis of the 1966 Mustang abandoned by JAMES EARL RAY in Atlanta, Ga.; however, he desires that this automobile not be disposed of until completion of the murder trial of RAY scheduled to commence in Memphis on 11/12/68.

He stated that under state law the defense counsel is afforded an opportunity to examine any potential evidence and in this particular instance would be given an opportunity to examine this automobile if he so desires. Mr. CANALE stated, however, that since this automobile is the property of JAMES EARL RAY he would offer no objections if Mr. ARTHUR B. HANES, RAY's attorney, initiates any action to have this automobile turned over to HANES.

- 3 - Bureau (Encs. 2) **ENCLOSURE**
 1 - Atlanta (44-2386) (Info)
 2 - Birmingham (44-1740)
 2 - Memphis

RFB:LF

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C. C. Bishop
Approved: _____

Special Agent in Charge

Sent _____ M Per _____

5 AUG 2 1968

12 AUG 20 1968

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LEAD

BIRMINGHAM DIVISION

AT BIRMINGHAM, ALA.

In view of the fact that there is still outstanding a federal complaint charging JAMES EARL RAY with conspiracy, it is suggested that the Birmingham Division, unless advised to the contrary by the Bureau, consult with the appropriate USA who authorized the federal conspiracy complaint against RAY to determine if he has any particular views on disposition of the 1966 Mustang.

Since the 1966 Mustang is in custody of the Atlanta Division, a copy of this airtel is being forwarded for their information.

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)

SUBJECT: MURKIN

One xerox copy each of an
"Amendment to Order" and
"Order"

REF: MEairtel to Bureau 8/2/68



44-38861-500
ENCLOSURE

IN THE CRIMINAL COURT OF SHELBY COUNTY, TENNESSEE

STATE OF TENNESSEE

VS.

JAMES EARL RAY
Alias Eric Starvo Galt,
Alias John Willard,
Alias Harvey Lowmeyer,
Alias Harvey Lowmyer.

NO. 16645 Murder First Degree

NO. 16819 Carrying Dangerour Weapon

O R D E R

In this cause, the Court having heretofore appointed a committee of eight members of the Bar to act as amici curiae and said committee having this day filed a report that there is probable cause to believe that this Court's Order of July 18, 1968, as amended July 23, 1968, has been violated by certain individuals in certain circumstances, to-wit:

(1) Certain statements attributed to Arthur B. Hanes, Esq., to the effect that the shooting of Doctor Martin Luther King, Jr. involves a Communist conspiracy, to the effect that his client's rights were being trampled in Jail, and to the effect that himself, his family and servants are being threatened by "them", as quoted in the Memphis Press Scimitar of Saturday, July 27, 1968, and the Commercial Appeal of Sunday, July 28, 1968;

(2) Certain statements in Memphis Press Scimitar of July 27, 1968, attributed to William Morris, Sheriff of Shelby County, Tennessee, concerning the cost and expenses for the security of the prisoner and the treatment of the prisoner, and the prisoner's demeanor and attitude while in confinement.

(3) Certain statements appearing in the Memphis Press Scimitar of Saturday, July 27, 1968, attributed to Russell X. Thompson, Esq. concerning his opinion as to the guilt or innocence of the defendant,

and said report further pointing out that to the extent that Ramsey Clark, Attorney General of the United States is a "Law Enforcement Officer" or "a lawyer participating in this case" through his staff, assistants, office associates, investigators or employees under his supervision, the statements attributed to him and the United States Department of Justice as referred to in the Commercial

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of July 28, 1968 are in probable violation of the principles
set out in Sheppard vs. Maxwell, 384 U.S. 333, 16 L.Ed. 2d 600,
^{321 F. 2d 1234 (5th Cir. 1964)}
86 S. Ct. 1507 (1966), to the effect that there was no evidence
of a conspiracy in the shooting of Doctor Martin Luther King, Jr.

The Court, in the interest of preserving the constitutional rights of all concerned and protecting the orderly preparation and progress of the trial, reserves further inquiry and disposition of each and all of the above instances until a later date.

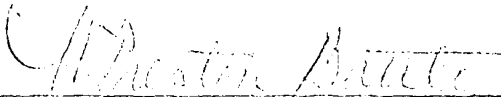
And whereas it is the desire of the Court to avoid any possible misunderstanding of its orders heretofore made, said orders of July 18 and July 23 respectively are herewith supplemented as follows:

All lawyers participating in this case, their assistants, associates, staff members, investigators and employees under their supervision and control, County Medical Examiner, Jury Commissioners, Criminal Court Clerk, County Sheriff, Police Officials and other law enforcement officers, employees of this Court and all other persons employed in the "Criminal Courts Buildings", their associates, deputies, assistants, staff members and personnel under their supervision and control, are forbidden to take part in interviews or press conferences for publicity and are enjoined from making extra-judicial statements about this case which involve: (1) the personal belief of the Declarant as to the guilt or innocence of the accused; (2) the plans of the Declarant relating to the preparation or conduct of the trial, the theory, techniques and strategy of the Declarant in the preparation and trial of the case; (3) the jurors or potential jurors who may serve; (4) the comment of the Declarant about the merits of the case and about any evidence which may be presented; (5) the credibility of or information concerning any known or intended witnesses or the treatment, acts and attitude of the defendant, and are further enjoined from making any and all other statements which may be prejudicial to a fair trial by an impartial jury in this case, whether specified herein or not.

All persons or entities subject to this Order who feel aggrieved by anything herein contained are hereby admonished that any such grievances or complaints should be judicially presented.

The Court recognizes the wide and pervasive publicity which has been and will be an inevitable incident of this trial. The Court further recognizes that there are many individuals who are beyond the jurisdiction of this Court, but who may be interested in the outcome of this trial, and whose statements may have been violative of this Order had the Court jurisdiction over such parties. As to such persons, the Court urges self-imposed compliance with this Order in the interests of a fair trial to the defendant and to the State of Tennessee.

In accordance therewith the Court orders a certified copy of this Order to be sent by the Clerk of this Court to all persons named herein or subject hereto, and all newspapers of general circulation, radio and television stations within the jurisdiction of this Court.



Judge, Division III
Criminal Court of Shelby County, Tennessee

Date: July 30, 1968

STATE OF TENNESSEE }
Shelby County }

I, J. A. BLACKWELL, Clerk of the Criminal Courts of Shelby County, Tennessee,
do hereby certify that the foregoing FOUR (4) pages of writing contain a full,
complete, true and perfect copy of Order on Contempt of Court ~~and proceedings~~ had in the case of the State of
Tennessee, vs. B 16645 and
Docket No. B 16819

JAMES EARL RAY

Indictment for MURDER IN THE FIRST DEGREE & CARRYING A DANGEROUS WEAPON

as the same now appears on file, and of record in my office.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of said Court, at office in Memphis,

this, the 30th day of JULY 19 68

J. A. BLACKWELL, Clerk

SEAL

By: Earl M. Clary D. C.

IN THE CRIMINAL COURT OF HAMILTON COUNTY, TENNESSEE

STATE OF TENNESSEE

VS.

NO. 16645 Murder First Degree

NO. 16819 Carrying Dangerous Weapon

JAMES EARL RAY
Alias Eric Starvo Galt;
Alias John Willard,
Alias Harvey Lowmeyer,
Alias Harvey Lowmyer.

AMENDMENT TO ORDER

The order heretofore entered in this cause on the eighteenth day of July, 1968, and headed "Order on Courthouse and Courtroom Procedures and Publicity" is hereby amended as follows:---

In paragraphs VII, VIII and IX of said Order, the terms "interviews for publicity" and "extra-judicial statements" shall be limited to such interviews and statements as are prejudicial to a fair trial by an impartial jury in the case.

This is done by the Court on its own motion, this twenty-third day of July, 1968.

W. Preston Battle

JUDGE, Division III

Criminal Court

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. DeLoach *FD*

FROM : A. Rosen *R*

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: August 16, 1968

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

Tolson _____
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Tele. Room _____
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Gandy _____

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

Radio Station WERD, located at 330 Auburn Avenue, Northeast, Atlanta, Georgia, which is the same address as Southern Christian Leadership Conference, has received a copy of the "Saturday Evening Post," addressed to E. S. Galt, 330 Auburn Avenue, Northeast, Atlanta, Georgia, 30303. The address tag also contains the following additional information: "330 AUBUESPO26MAY 69."

We are making inquiry at the Curtis Publishing Company in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, to determine the circumstances of this particular subscription.

ACTION:

For your information.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
COMMUNICATION SECTION

AUG 15 1968

TELETYPE

FBI WASH DC

428PM URGENT 8-15-68 DJM

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM: SAC, SPRINGFIELD (44-561) (1PG)

MURKIN

RE SPRINGFIELD AIRTEL TO BUREAU DATED AUGUST

FIFTEEN LAST.

PUBLIC DEFENDER ROBERT TRONE ADVISED HE WOULD HAVE
NO OBJECTION TO INTERVIEW OF WILLIE LEE AND WILL ARRANGE
INTERVIEW AT EARLY DATE.

ILLINOIS STATE PATROL OFFICERS HOWARD SHELTON
AND MARION VAN FOSSEN ADVISED THEY HAVE COMPLETED
CONTACT WITH PAROLEES AND PROBATIONERS; HAVE DEVELOPED
NO INFORMATION RE BR AT THE BANK OF ALTON OR PRESENCE
OF JAMES EARL RAY IN ALTON DURING JULY, NINETEEN SIXTYSEVEN.

MAIL COPIES SENT TO CHICAGO, MEMPHIS AND ST. LOUIS.

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FBI WASH DC

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22 AUG 20 1968

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM : *hy* SAC, ATLANTA (44-2386)

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 7/29/68

As the Bureau and Memphis are aware, the 1966 Mustang which was abandoned by JAMES EARL RAY in Atlanta and recovered by the Atlanta Division on 4/11/68, is still in the possession of the Atlanta Office and stored in garage space in the basement of the Federal Building where the Atlanta Office is located.

The Bureau and Memphis are requested to advise what disposition is contemplated for the automobile and Atlanta will take no action until receipt of advice from the Bureau or Memphis.

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REC 37

2 - Bureau
2 - Memphis
2 - Atlanta
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53 AUG 27 1968

Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan

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ENCLOSURE



LETSINGER, GEORGE ROBERT FBI #584 742 F

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20537

6-11-68 624 M.H.

J. Edgar Hoover
Director.

The following FBI record, NUMBER 584 742 F, is furnished FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY.

CONTRIBUTOR OF FINGERPRINTS	NAME AND NUMBER	ARRESTED OR RECEIVED	CHARGE	DISPOSITION
The Comm of Police of the Metropolis C-3 Branch New Scotland Yard London SWL England	George Robert Letsinger #18123	3-1-65	obtained credit by means of fraud	fined \$75.
PD Jacksonville Fla	Robert George Letsinger #163-972-B	4-11-66	GL-hold for Seattle Wash	
SO Jacksonville Fla	George R Letsinger #226 548	4-11-66	GL	
PD Seattle Wash	George Robert Letsinger #62308	4-20-66	GL	9-30-66 3yrs prob dismissal dated 9-15-67
PD Denver Colo	George Robert Letsinger #146786	12-7-67	Hold for fugitive detail	Rel to State of Washington 12-8-67
<p>Since neither fingerprints nor an identifying number which is indexed in our files accompanied your request, FBI cannot guarantee in any manner that this material concerns the individual in whom you are interested</p>				

Information shown on this Identification Record represents data furnished FBI by fingerprint contributors. Where final disposition is not shown or further explanation of charge is desired, communicate with agency contributing those fingerprints.

Notations indicated by * are NOT based on fingerprints in FBI files but are listed only as investigative leads as being possibly identical with subject of this record.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20537

6-11-68 624 MLH

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J. Edgar Hoover
Director.

The following FBI record, NUMBER 584 742 F, is furnished FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY.

All descriptive factors (if any) furnished by you match those in our identification file unless herein quoted.

DESCRIPTION AND RELATED DATA:

Race: White

Sex: Male

Height: 5'5"

Weight: 160

Hair: Dark brown

Eyes: Brown

Date and Place of Birth: Macomb, Missouri

Scars & Marks: Unknown

Address: 1808 - 8th Seattle, Washington in 1966

Occupation: Manager

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FBI SAN DIEGO

4-27 PM URGENT 6-11-68 ATJ

TO DIRECTOR (44-38861) MEMPHIS (44-1977) LOS ANGELES (44-1574)
(56-156) SEATTLE (44-371) AND RICHMOND
FROM SAN DIEGO 2P

MURKIN. SAN DIEGO FILE FOUR FOUR DASH THREE EIGHT SEVEN.

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REC 17

16 AUG 20 1968

MR. JOSEPH FORBES, ASSISTANT POSTMASTER, MAIN POST OFFICE,
SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA, ADVISED AS FOLLOWS JUNE ELEVEN INSTANT:

FOUND ON THE INCOMING MAIL BELT WAS A PIECE OF PAPER NOT
IN AN ENVELOPE IN GREEN INK ADDRESSED TO POST OFFICE, ATTENTION
POSTMASTER, WHICH READ AS FOLLOWS:

ENCLOSURE IF THE FBI WANTS RAY'S BUDDY GO TO ONE TWO FOUR BROADWAY
PHOTO HOTEL, NUMBER ONE ONE SEVEN. HE MAY BE UNDER THE
NAME ~~GEORGE~~ KLEISINGER OR ~~GEORGE~~ ANDERSON. HE KNOWS ABOUT
KENNEDY AND ALSO KING'S DEATHS. HE MAY HAVE PART IN KING'S DEATH.
I KNOW HE WAS IN TENNESSEE BEFORE AND AFTER KING WAS KILLED.

END PAGE ONE

Original cannot be located
and is not on record. When
original is received in Records
Branch, it will be filed either
with this copy or may be given
a new serial.

AUG 21 1968

XEROX

JUL 17 1968

JUL 19 1968

JUL 24 1968

SD 44-387

SD 44-384

PAGE TWO

I KNOW LETSINGER IS WANTED IN SEATTLE. ALSO IN BIG STONE GAP,
VIRGINIA, BY THE FBI."

ABOVE LETTER WAS UNSIGNED.

BUREAU AND ALL OFFICES REQUESTED TO FURNISH ANY INFORMATION
REGARDING "GEORE" LETSINGER OR GEORGE ANDERSON, PARTICULARLY
IF WANTED IN SEATTLE OR BIG STONE GAP, VIRGINIA.

NO ATTEMPT BEING MADE TO INTERVIEW LETSINGER, AKA ANDERSON
UNTIL RESULTS FROM BUREAU AND ALL OFFICES.

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FBI WASH DC

ORIGINAL: MR. ROSEN

FBI

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Date: 8/19/68

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL
(Priority)

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

Re Birmingham airtel 8/12/68.

Mr. JACQUES DE LANGRE, 7557 Sunset Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, was interviewed on 8/19/68 and advised that the name ERIC GALT was unfamiliar to him. He reviewed his records and advised that an address card with the name ERIC GALT, 2608 Highland Avenue, Birmingham, Alabama, was contained therein. No legend appeared on the card, but he stated he felt, because of the color of the card, the inquiry was made at least six months ago.

He stated that GALT probably made inquiry of their concern from an advertisement in "Modern Photography", "National Professional Photography", "Popular Photography" or "PSA Journal", as his firm advertises in these magazines. He stated that the Mortensen Texture Screens are darkroom aids. He felt that a person interested in this type of equipment would be one who was either a professional photographer or had his own darkroom setup.

He stated that records of his firm contain no indications of any additional correspondence with ERIC GALT.

C. C. - Bishop

- 3 - Bureau (AM)
 - 2 - Memphis (44-1987)(AM)
 - 1 - Birmingham (44-1740)(AM)
 - 1 - Los Angeles
- TJA:CM
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Approved: _____ Sent _____ M Per _____
Special Agent in Charge

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Date: 8/16/68

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
FROM: SAC, SAVANNAH (44-1768) (P)
SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Savannah airtel to Bureau 7/31/68.

On 8/15/68, SV 524-R (PROB) (Protect Identity), advised that a few days previously, J. B. STONER, Vice Chairman of NSRP, had told Dr. EDWARD R. FIELDS, NSRP Director and Editor of "The Thunderbolt" (NSRP publication) that he, STONER, had received a letter from JAMES EARL RAY.

Source said STONER did not elaborate on this statement when he handed the letter to FIELDS, and that both STONER and FIELDS left NSRP headquarters with FIELDS reading the letter.

Source commented he did not know when STONER received the letter, noting the possibility that STONER may have had the letter for several weeks before giving it to FIELDS, as STONER sometimes handled other mail.

Informant has been instructed to continue to be alert for any contacts between NSRP officials and JAMES EARL RAY or his representatives.

EX-100

③ - Bureau (RM)
2 - Memphis (44-1987) (RM)
3 - Savannah
 (2 - 44-1768)
 (1 - 170-120) (SV 524-R) (PROB)
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1 AUG 20 1968

C. C. - Bishop

Approved: [Signature]
31 AUG 20 1968 Special Agent in Charge

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Date: 8/16/68

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

ReBuairtel 8/8/68 and Memphis airtel 8/6/68.

Re: MARYA and LASKA VAN DOORNEN

The indices of the Los Angeles Office are negative regarding the VAN DOORNENS.

The following agency checks were made with negative results regarding MARYA and LASKA VAN DOORNEN:

Los Angeles Police Department
Los Angeles County Sheriff's Office
Los Angeles Retail Merchants Credit Association
Los Angeles County Registrar of Voters

3 - Bureau (AIR MAIL)
2 - Memphis (44-1987)(AIR MAIL)
1 - Los Angeles
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REC 13

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Special Agent in Charge

53 AUG 22 1968

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FBI WASH DC

FBI SPRNGFLD

431PM URGENT 8/16/68 PAM

TO DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM SPRINGFIELD (44-561)

MURKIN.

RE SI TEL TO BUREAU, EIGHT FIFTEEN LAST.

PUBLIC DEFENDER ROBERT TRONE, EDWARDSVILLE, ILLINOIS
ADVISED WILLIE LEE HAD NOT REPORTED TO HIM AS OF THREE P.M.
TODAY.

EFFORTS TO CONTACT SI SIXTEEN FOURTEEN - C UNPRODUCTIVE.

COPIES MAILED CHICAGO, MEMPHIS AND ST. LOUIS. P.

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FBI WASH DC

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44-38861-5088
14 AUG 20 1968

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53 AUG 22 1968

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
DIVISION 5

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Memorandum

TO : Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

DATE: AUG 15 1968

FROM: *JS* Stephen J. Pollak
Assistant Attorney General
Civil Rights Division

SJP:efw
DJ 144-72-662
#41-157-147

SUBJECT: JAMES EARL RAY

Mr. Tolson	✓
Mr. DeLoach	✓
Mr. Mohr	✓
Mr. Casper	✓
Mr. Callahan	✓
Mr. Conrad	✓
Mr. Felt	✓
Mr. Gale	✓
Mr. Rosen	✓
Mr. Sullivan	✓
Mr. Tavel	✓
Mr. Trotter	✓
Tele. Room	✓
Miss Holmes	✓
Miss Gandy	✓

This is in response to your memorandum of August 5, 1968, concerning the question whether the federal complaint against James Earl Ray should be dismissed.

I have discussed this entire matter with Assistant Attorney General Vinson who dealt with the British authorities concerning the extradition. He has no objection to allowing the federal complaint to remain outstanding under these circumstances.

In reply to your inquiry as to the circumstances under which federal prosecution would be pursued, we would want to review the facts after the conspiracy investigation has been completed; if the evidence and the outcome of the State proceedings were such that federal prosecution seemed desirable, we would consider taking steps to try to obtain the necessary waiver from the British government.

cc: Deputy Attorney General

Assistant Attorney General
Criminal Division

EXP. PROC.
34 AUG 16 1968

* COPIES MADE DATE 8/17/78 BY
RCB/SS DE M. L. King, Jr.
FOR REVIEW AT FBIHQ AND/OR DELIVERY
TO HQS OF ALL FIELD OFFICES 8/17/78
(SEE BUFILE 100-441147)

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16 AUG 30 1968

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FBI

F B I

Date: 8/20/68

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

ReBuairtel to Los Angeles 8/14/68.

On 8/15/68 Mrs. JODY BRANUM, 1858 Amador, Ontario, California, advised she resides at this residence, and that FRANCES WELKER is a hired daytime babysitter. She advised that she first hired WELKER about 12 weeks ago, and that WELKER worked two weeks as a babysitter. WELKER was arrested by the Ontario, California, Police Department for bad checks and was incarcerated at the San Bernardino County Jail in San Bernardino, California, for nine weeks. She was released one week ago and returned to work as a babysitter.

Mrs. BRANUM advised that WELKER is a good babysitter and is good with the children, but she talks continually about any and everything, and at times her conversations do not make sense. Mrs. BRANUM advised that Mrs. WELKER can presently be located where she is visiting at Apartment A, 768 Richmond, Ontario, California.

On 8/15/68 Mrs. FRANCES WELKER was contacted at Apartment A, 768 Richmond, Ontario, California, where she was visiting.

Mrs. WELKER took the Agent's credentials and, after observing them closely, stated that the Agent was not J. EDGAR HOOVER, and that she wanted to discuss this matter with Mr. HOOVER personally.

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Mrs. WELKER was advised that Mr. HOOVER could not contact her personally, and that the Agent would take any information she had to offer concerning the assassination of MARTIN LUTHER KING or any other matter over which the FBI has jurisdiction.

Mrs. WELKER stated she absolutely did not have any information to offer and had no knowledge of the KING case, but that she merely wanted to discuss this matter with Mr. HOOVER. She advised that she had previously written to Mr. HOOVER following the Brinks robbery in Boston in January 1951. She said that at that time she had no facts to offer concerning this robbery but merely wanted to guess who did it. She stated that, as it turns out, she did not guess right.

It was suggested to Mrs. WELKER that if in the future she desired to furnish information to the FBI, she contact the local Resident Agency, rather than writing letters to the Bureau in Washington.

7/22/68

AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, ATLANTA (157-3094) (P)
SUBJECT: RACIAL VIOLENCE FOLLOWING
ASSASSINATION OF MARTIN
LUTHER KING, JR.
RACIAL MATTERS

Re Bureau airtel to Atlanta, dated 7/12/68.

Set forth below is information requested
by referenced Bureau airtel.

ATLANTA, GEORGIA.

<u>Date Disturbances Took Place</u>	<u>Number of People Killed</u>	<u>Number of People Injured</u>
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AT 157-2094

Number of People
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Sources of Above Information:

4/5/68 and 4/7/68 - Supt. CLINTON CHAFIN
Atlanta Police Department

4/8/68 and 4/10/68 - Sgt. BOBBY MOORE
External Security Unit
Atlanta Police Department

Estimate of Property Damage:

Sgt. MOORE advised on 7/19/68 the Atlanta Police Department had estimated property damage during the period 4/5/68 through 4/10/68 was approximately \$372,000.

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AT 157-3004

Number of
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Source of Above Information:

Chief of Police Ed Friend
Albany, Georgia

Estimate of Damage:

Assistant Chief of Police LESLIE SOMMERFIELD,
Albany, Georgia, advised on 7/19/68, no tabulation
of property damage had been prepared by the City of
Albany and consequently no estimate was available.

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Date: 8/16/68

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, ATLANTA (157-3094)

SUBJECT: ASSASSINATION OF DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
RM
BUDED: 8/20/68

Re Bureau airtel to Atlanta 8/15/68.

Enclosed are 3 xerox copies of Atlanta airtel to the Bureau dated 7/22/68, setting forth the information requested in referenced Bureau airtel.

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