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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

New Orleans, Louisiana

October 17 , 1968

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

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Date 10/17/681

The files of the South Central Bell Telephone Company, New Orleans, Louisiana, contain the following information relative to telephone number 242-1618:

Listed to: SAMUEL S. LORIO in September, 1967.

Address: 4839 Babylon Street

This is a published telephone number.

The above information is not to be made public without the issuance of a subpoena duces tecum directed to Mr. J. T. PFANNKUCHE, District Accounting Manager (toll), or his authorized representative.

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On 10/11/68 at New Orleans, Louisiana File # NO 157-10673
by SA THOMAS E. DUHADWAY/cst Date dictated 10/16/68

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Date: 10-18-68

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

There is enclosed Xerox copy of letter written to JERRY RAY by subject in instant case. In addition, there is also enclosed Xerox copy of letter written by JERRY RAY to the subject who is in custody at Shelby County Jail. These are furnished for the Bureau's information only.

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W. C. Bishop

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These are preliminary reports from the Bureau, Memphis and
the subject who is in custody at Memphis County Jail.
It also contains copies of reports received from the
subject in the past. In the past, the subject
has been charged with the murder of Martin Luther King Jr.

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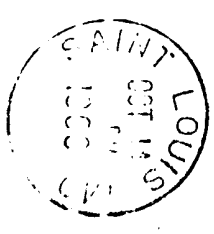
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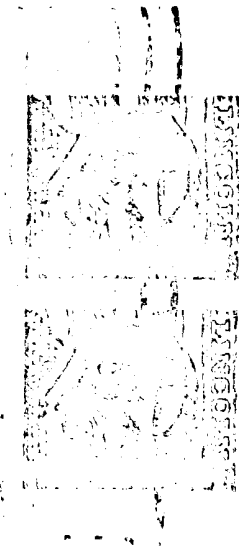
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1902 Cherokee
at Lewis, Mo.

Mr. James E. Ray
Shelby County Jail
Memphis, Tenn.

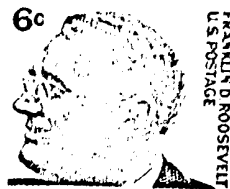


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To: Mr. Jerry Ray
1902 Cherokee
St. Louis, Missouri
63118

Dear Jerry;

I am just writing to let you know
in case you forgot that visiting days
are only days except Wed + Sun.
I would be better if you come on
weekdays then you could see that
Bar association visiting hours ~~are on 2:30~~
~~until 3~~

well I guess that's about all
I can say for it
fing

4-388-1000

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Oct 14/68

Dear Jimmy^{??}

Just a few lines to let you know
everything is okay. I typed a letter to
the American Bar Association explaining
what you wanted to know, I also
gave them your address. In case
you want their address its
American Bar Association, 1155 East 60th
Chicago Ill. 60637.

Everything is about the same around
here. I don't know anything news
worthy as we still haven't heard
from Jones or Huey.

As I said in my last letter
I'll probably be down shortly so
if you want anything done for you
let me know and I'll give you the information
when I see you.

I'll close for now, Jack, Carol &
Romeo are all okay. Write when
you get a chance.
Brother Jerry

314-1-101-101

ENCLOSURE

1 - Mr. Griffith
1 - Mr. Mortimer

SAC, Memphis (44-1987)

10/21/68

Director, FBI (44-38861)

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Reference is made to Memphis airtel dated 10/16/68, advising of request for a pre-trial conference between District Attorney General Phil M. Canale, Jr. and SA James H. Mortimer on October 30, 1968.

SA Mortimer is available for conference on this date and will arrive Memphis, Tennessee, at 6:54 p.m., on 10/29/68, via American Airlines flight 789.

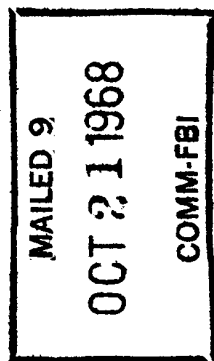
Memphis is requested to arrange overnight accommodations for SA Mortimer on 10/29/68.

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Mr. Mortimer
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MR. MOSS LEE INNÉS,
c/o UNITED STATES EMBASSY,
100 WELLINGTON STREET,
OTTAWA, ONTARIO.

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FOR TRANSMITTAL TO: DIRECTOR, F.B.I.

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ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE - GENDARMERIE ROYALE DU CANADA

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30 AUG 68

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Montreal CIB-CIS

RCMP FILE REFERENCES:
REF. DOSSIERS GRC:

63HQ-1180-1-Q-112

680-790-238

68018-790-170

PCR: 26 JULY 68

RE:
OBJET:

President John F. KENNEDY - Murder of
Assistance to FBI

21 AUG 68

1. SALVIN advised that KINBLE had contacted his office in Toronto on the 18 AUG 68 offering to "give all that he knew concerning the J.F. KENNEDY assassination for \$500.00". No deal was made with KINBLE and the place he was calling from was unknown.

2. Investigation is being held in abeyance pending instructions as requested in PCR dated 26 JULY 68.

S.U.I.:

DD: 30 SEPT 68

(J.L.B. 2) Sgt.
1st Ntl CIB-CIS.

(M.F.T. Power) / 19416.
Montreal CIB-CIS.

The COMMISSIONER, Ottawa

Your: 68HQ-1180-1-Q-112

1. FORWARDED. Please note my forwarding minute appended to report dated 26-7-68 on this file.

S.U.I.

MONTREAL
6 SEP 68

J.R. Duchesneau, Insp.
A/Officer i/c C.I.B.

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c/o UNITED STATES EMBASSY,
100 WELLINGTON STREET,
OTTAWA, ONTARIO.

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FOR TRANSMITTAL TO: DIRECTOR, F.B.I.

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CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION BRANCH
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FIREARMS AND TOOL MARK IDENTIFICATION		C.N. 72	
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Officer i/c C.I.B. Headquarters Building, R.C.M. Police, Ottawa, Ontario.			
REFERENCE - RÉFÉRENCE			
CENTRAL BUREAU FOR FIREARMS EXHIBITS Dr. Martin Luther KING Assistance to F.B.I.			

COPIES TO - COPIES À

- (1) The Director, Centre of Forensic Sciences, 8 Jarvis Street, Toronto 2, Ontario.
- (2) The Director of Scientific Services, C.D. Laboratories, RCM Police, Regina, Saskatchewan.
Ottawa, Ontario.

On 9 Jul '68 The firearm(s), as represented by tests received from the R.C.M. Police 'HQ' Division, Centre of Forensic Sciences, Toronto, Ontario, have been compared microscopically with the unidentified ammunition components contained in the Central Bureau for Firearms Exhibits files, with negative results.

The tests will be retained.

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Submitted by

(Peter Law), Cst.
Firearms Section.

PL:rl

Approved by

(A.M. Headrick) B.Sc. Insp.
Officer i/c Ottawa Laboratory

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PARAPHRASE IF DISSEMINATED

Mr. Tolson ✓
Mr. DeLoach ✓
Mr. Mohr
Mr. Bishop
Mr. Casper
Mr. Callahan
Mr. Conrad
Mr. Felt
Mr. Gale ✓
Mr. Rosen ✓
Mr. Sullivan
Mr. Tavel
Mr. Trotter
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URGENT 10-21-68

TO DIRECTOR

FROM PARIS NO. 131

MURKIN.

Reference Bureau Cable

REBUKAB OCTOBER ONE SIX LAST AND MY TELEPHONE CALL OCTOBER ONE NINE LAST.

PORTUGUESE AUTHORITIES HAVE NO OBJECTION TO INTERVIEW BY TENNESSEE OFFICIALS OF PERSONS NAMED IN BUCAB AND ARE LINING UP INTERVIEWS.

I AM IN CONTACT WITH TENNESSEE OFFICIALS THROUGH LEGAT LONDON AND I PLAN DEPART PARIS OCTOBER TWO THREE NEXT ONE ONE: FOUR ZERO A.M. FOR LISBON TO ASSIST IN CONTACTS AND WILL RETURN PARIS A.M. OCTOBER TWO FIVE NEXT.

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CC-MR. ROSEN

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FROM PARIS NO. 121

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Date: October 17, 1968

To: Director, FBI

(Bufile : 44-38861)

Attention : _____

From: Legal Attache, Ottawa

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Enclosed are the following communications received from the RCMP:

Three copies of RCMP "C" Division report 10/1/68.

Remarks:

Please note request in Para 3 of referenced airtel and advise.

Dissemination

- ☐ May be made as received
☐ May be made as indicated by stamp on enclosure
☐ May not be made without further clearance with RCMP

Following offices would be interested in receiving copies of enclosures:

 Memphis (44-1987); New Orleans
 (157-10673)
Status with this office:

- ☐ RUC
☒ Pending
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 1 Memphis
 1 New Orleans

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2025 RELEASE UNDER E.O. 14176

October 21, 1968

GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION

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

The attached relates to representatives of Mr. Phil M. Canale, Jr., State Attorney General, Shelby County, Memphis, Tennessee, who are interviewing witnesses in foreign countries. The representatives have been in Toronto and Montreal, Canada and are presently in London.

This matter has been coordinated with Mr. Graham Day, Foreign Liaison, Division 5.

REL:jms

[Handwritten signatures and initials: a large 'P' with a slash, 'LJM', 'Graham', 'Egan', 'K', and 'L']

ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE - GENDARMERIE ROYALE DU CANADA

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RCMP FILE REFERENCES:
REF. DOSSIERS GRC:

68GIS-790-170

68C-790-238

PCR 30 AUG 68

RE:
OBJET:

President John F. KENNEDY - Murder of
Assistance to FBI.

1. The photo of KIMBLE will be shown to MATHIEU this week in order to have KIMBLE identified.
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S.U.I.
D.D. 30 OCT 68

(Sgt. Prolix) Sgt.
i/c Mtl. GIS.

Cpl.
(M.F.T. Power) #19416
Montreal G.I.S.

The COMMISSIONER, Ottawa:

Your: 68HQ-791-Q-60

1. FORWARDED. Your attention is drawn to the contents of para. # 2 above.

S.U.I.

MONTREAL
4 OCT 68

J.R. Duchesneau, Insp.
A/Officer i/c C.I.B.

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Miss Gandy	_____

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987) P

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There are enclosed original and one copy each of newspaper clippings in captioned matter.

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C. C. Bishop

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1. WASHINGTON

3. BUREAU (ENC. 8) (VM)

4. NEW YORK

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FROM SAC NEW YORK (100-100000) TO DIRECTOR (100-100000)

RE: MURDER

FROM: SAC NEW YORK (100-100000) TO DIRECTOR (100-100000)

TO: DIRECTOR (100-100000)

RE: MURDER

100-100000

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Hanes Resumes Verbal Onslaught

Cites Story Quoting FBI
Linking Ray, Prints

The attorney for James Earl Ray, charged with murdering Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., renewed his verbal onslaught against a court order to limit pretrial publicity in the case.

Arthur J. Hanes conceded that Criminal Court Judge W. Preston Battle, who has held him in contempt, has the right to forbid him to discuss the merits of the case against Ray. But he can't get after me, according to the Reardon report, for commenting on other things.

"Other things," according to Mr. Hanes, embraces the conditions of Ray's imprisonment in the Shelby County Jail, the release of only one photo of Ray, showing him shackled and manacled, and the unsuccessful effort of a Ku Klux Klan attorney from Georgia to become associated in Ray's defense.

Judge Battle's order he said, has not prevented an FBI spokesman from giving interviews pointing to Ray as Dr. King's slayer.

Tuesday Mr. Hanes cited a story in the Wichita (Kan.) Beacon quoting George Bonebrake, an FBI fingerprint expert, as saying fingerprints taken of Ray in London matched "latent fingerprints" taken by detectives in Memphis shortly after Dr. King was slain on a motel balcony here last April.

A dispatch from Wichita said that, besides making the speech at a police seminar there on fingerprint identification, Mr. Bonebrake said in an interview afterward, "There is no doubt in my mind that Ray at least handled the murder weapon."

(Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

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COMMERCIAL APPEAL

MEMPHIS, TENN.

Date:

Edition:

Author: FRANK R. AHLGREN

Editor:

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MEMPHIS

☐ Being Investigated

44-39761-5274
ENCLOSURE

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Conspiracy Seen In King's Death

Author William Bradford Huie, the man who is buying James Earl Ray's life story, said last night on NBC's Tonight Show that he is convinced a conspiracy was involved in killing of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. in Memphis.

Unlike the two other major political assassinations (the Kennedys), Huie said he believed the King killing was the result of "a conspiracy that had been in progress for quite some time. There was a lot of money paid for that killing."

Huie, from Hartselle, Ala., told TV host Johnny Carson that he sends written questions into Ray's jail by Ray's lawyer and that Ray writes him answers. He said he is traveling widely to verify information given him by Ray and that it will all be published after a jury is locked up in the case.

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ENCLOSURE

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Hanes Calls Court Group Hypocrites

Says Prosecution Allowed Comment In Ray Case

Arthur J. Hanes, attorney for James Earl Ray, socked it to a court-appointed committee in the Dr. Martin Luther King murder case today, calling them a "committee of Harper Valley P-TA hypocrites."

The reference is to the hit record, "Harper Valley P-TA," which recounts the tale of a mini-skirted widowed wife told by the P-TA that "as a mother, you're not fit." She wore her mini-skirt into the next meeting and "socked it to the Harper Valley P-TA," recounting the vices of the members and branding them as "Harper Valley hypocrites."

Hanes called the committee 'hypocrites' because he contends that representatives of those prosecuting Ray are being allowed to make statements about the case while he has been criticized for making comments.

SHOW CAUSE

The seven-lawyer committee, headed by Lucius Burch, recommended to Judge Preston Battle that Hanes be required to show cause why he should not be held in contempt of Battle's order restricting pre-trial publicity. Battle held Hanes, a private detective in his employ and two newspaper reporters, in contempt but has not passed sentence.

"Sheriff (William) Morris said in a press conference that the man's (Ray's) cell is fine. I said I disagreed. Atty. Gen. Ramsey Clark stated on television that Ray committed this crime with no conspiracy involved," Hanes said.

NO PLEA

"I suppose if I had opened my mouth and agreed with Ramsey Clark and Sheriff Morris, nothing would have been said about it. Nothing would have been heard from Mr. Burch's committee of Harper Valley P-TA hypocrites."

Hanes said he had not filed a plea to set aside Battle's decision in the contempt

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hearing. "I'm going to wait and see if he sentences me. I may at that time appeal. Still, on the other hand, whatever he decided to mete out to me, I could take it as long as that bunch (the committee) could live with their consciences."

Other members of the legal committee are J. Alan Hanover, Cooper Turner Jr., James D. Causey, Leo Bearman Jr., Lee A. Hardison, and Don Owens.

EXAMINATION

The Birmingham attorney flew to Memphis yesterday to continue his examination of the evidence the state is expected to introduce when Ray goes on trial Nov. 12 on a murder charge in the April 4 slaying of Dr. King.

Hanes complained that Battle's court order limiting publicity favors the prosecution and only limits the defense. He cited an interview with George Bonebrake, an FBI fingerprint expert, in Wichita, Kan., which was reported in the Wichita Beacon.

"Here is a man who is a key witness for the FBI telling the whole world that he is an expert for the bureau, that he testified in London and is going to testify in Memphis against James Earl Ray," Hanes said.

FINGERPRINTS

Bonebrake was quoted in the story as saying the fingerprints found in Memphis matched those "taken of the man arrested in London" and those taken of James Earl Ray while he was at the Missouri Penitentiary.

"Therefore, my testimony tended to implicate him in the murder of Dr. King as well as identify him as the fugitive wanted for escaping from the Missouri Prison," Bonebrake was quoted as saying. The FBI expert was identified as the man who "led the search through thousands of fingerprints on file at the Washington, D.C. FBI headquarters for the identification of the killer" and the "government's star witness in the extradition proceedings" against Ray.

Bonebrake was quoted as saying that "FBI agents obtained 'good' latent prints from a rifle believed used to kill Dr. King, from a telescopic sight on the rifle and from a pair of binoculars found at the scene."

"This was a real break for us," Bonebrake was quoted. "We had several names to go on but we didn't know which one was correct. Ray had purchased a car under the name of Galt, bought the

rifle under another name and registered in Memphis using the name John Willard."

The story quoted Bonebrake as saying he expected to go to Memphis to testify on the fingerprint identification during Ray's coming trial. "There's no doubt in my mind that he (Ray) at least handled the murder weapon," he was quoted.

NO COMMENT

Bonebrake was in Wichita speaking to an area seminar on fingerprint identification for law enforcement agencies. A FBI spokesman said in Washington today that Bonebrake was out on assignment and was not available for comment. "We are not making any comment on that case whatsoever unless it was public knowledge," the spokesman said.

"Everybody seems to be leaning toward the prosecution. All the court officials seem to be," Hanes said.

"Three thousand FBI agents working on the case, the resources of the state of Tennessee, the press and this community are working to ensure that the state of Tennessee gets a fair trial."

"I am the only one standing between my client and the great forces of government. I will not be intimidated."

"It is pretty easy to admonish an unpopular lawyer who has an unpopular client and an unpopular case, to look upon him with disfavor."

"I never heard of a judge criticizing a sheriff or a prosecutor they live with and do business with every day."

Hanes said he did not believe his latest statements were in violation of Battle's anti-publicity order.

"I have not said anything, nor will I say anything, going to the merits of the case," he said. "But I will

say this, that when a lawyer is overcome by timidity in criticizing the courts we have lost a lot of individual freedom in this country.

"We should guard against any person or any court being immune to criticism. The time is past when a person or a committee can mount a pedestal, adjust his halo and say don't criticize my actions.

"In my opinion the flames of justice have flickered mighty low in the headwinds of the great forces which have been amassed against my client."

Hanes said he had complained to Battle about a picture released by Morris showing the sheriff leading a handcuffed Ray into jail. "It depicted him (Ray) as some kind of dangerous animal dragged from his cave," Hanes said.

"I asked the judge to let me have a photographer come in and photograph him as a normal human being. This was denied. I feel if the sheriff had a right to release the photograph, we certainly had the right to release one showing him as he normally is."

Hanes said he planned to go to the attorney general's office today to listen to the police radio tape recordings from the night that Dr. King was killed and to inspect any further evidence that has come into the office. He said he will remain in Memphis until tomorrow night.

THOMPSON

Meanwhile, it was also learned today that Hanes spent several hours yesterday conferring with Memphis attorney Russell X. Thompson.

Earlier in the case, Thompson was reported to be under consideration as associate counsel in Ray's defense, but Hanes later denied it.

Thompson confirmed

Hanes was in his office in connection with preliminary work he had done previously but declined further comment.

Hanes' visit, however, again led to speculation that Thompson would become associated with him.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
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TO: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)

FROM: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

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WITNESSES:

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YOU SHOULD ~~DISSENTIALLY~~ ADVISE MR. CANALE THAT IN VIEW OF THE ABOVE, ARRANGEMENTS CANNOT BE MADE BY THIS BUREAU TO HAVE WITNESSES INTERVIEWED PURSUANT TO THEIR REQUEST. MR. CANALE SHOULD BE FURTHER ADVISED THAT IN THE EVENT HE DESIRES TO PURSUE THIS MATTER FURTHER THAT ARRANGEMENTS SHOULD BE MADE BY MR. CANALE THROUGH THE STATE DEPARTMENT AS OUTLINED ABOVE.

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

Mr. Phil M. Canale, Jr., State Attorney General, Shelby County, Memphis, Tennessee, desires that his representatives proceed to Mexico and interview witnesses in this case. He requested Bureau assistance in this matter. We directed a cablegram to our legal attache in Mexico City listing witnesses desired to be interviewed by Mr. Canale and requested our legal attache to advise if arrangements can be made for these interviews.

Our legal attache has advised that efforts were made to make arrangements for representatives of Mr. Canale to interview witnesses in this case on an informal basis with Mexican Government officials without success. Our legal attache advises that due to a recent incident involving a case of U. S. Narcotics and Customs Bureaus with the Mexican Government, the reaction is very high with Mexican officials concerning all U.S. investigative agencies. Legat advises that interviewing of these witnesses may be affected through State Department.

SAC, Memphis being instructed to advise Mr. Canale that request to interview witnesses in Mexico with Bureau assistance cannot be completed at this time, and if Mr. Canale desires to pursue this matter further, he should handle through the State Department. This matter coordinated with foreign liaison and they feel that if Memphis authorities pursue this matter of interviewing witnesses through the Bureau, this could very possibly jeopardize the Bureau's operations in Mexico in the future. Department being advised.

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TO DIRECTOR (44-38861)

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BUREAU WAS PREVIOUSLY ADVISED THAT UNWARRANTED DISCLOSURE OF EXTENT OF THIS OFFICE'S ACTIVITIES WHILE HANDLING LEADS IN CAPTIONED MATTER COULD BE PREJUDICIAL TO FUTURE BUREAU OPERATIONS IN MEXICO. INTERVIEWS AT PUERTO VALLARTA, JALISCO, CONDUCTED BY SA RUSSELL JEAN GRAY, JR., IN CAPACITY OF EMBASSY REPRESENTATIVE BUT NOT IDENTIFIED AS BUREAU AGENT. THE TWO PROSTITUTES, ELISA ARELLANO TORRES AND MANUELA AGUIRRE MEDRANO, WERE INTERVIEWED BY MEX - TWO FOUR, AN INVESTIGATIVE INFORMANT, WITHOUT THE KNOWLEDGE OF LOCAL POLICE. THESE TWO WOMEN WERE DEFINITELY TRANSIENTS AND EXTENSIVE INVESTIGATION MAY BE NECESSARY TO LOCATE THEM. IF SELECTED AS WITNESSES, THEY MAY NOT BE ADMISSABLE TO U.S. IN ABSENCE OF SPECIAL ARRANGEMENTS WITH IMMIGRATION AUTHORITIES.

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(ASSASSINATION OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.)

"THE COMMERCIAL APPEAL," MEMPHIS MORNING NEWSPAPER, HAD ARTICLE ON PAGE ONE, OCT. SIXTEEN, SIXTY EIGHT, CAPTIONED AS FOLLOWS: "LECTURE BY FBI AGENT ANGERS RAY'S ATTORNEY." THIS ARTICLE WRITTEN BY CHARLES EDMUNDSON, WHO WAS ONE OF THE REPORTERS CITED FOR CONTEMPT BY JUDGE W. PRESTON BATTLE IN SEPT., SIXTY EIGHT.

ARTICLE PREPARED BY EDMUNDSON QUOTES HANES AS COMPLAINING COURT ORDER "PROTECTS THE PROSECUTION AND ONLY MUZZLES THE DEFENSE." ARTICLE FURTHER STATES THAT HANES HAS DECLARED PROSECUTION WITNESSES HAVE BEEN MAKING PUBLIC STATEMENTS CONVICTING HIS CLIENT AND HE HAS HAD NO CHANCE TO COUNTER THEM. HANES REPORTEDLY CITED A LECTURE BY GEORGE BONEBRAKE, AN FBI FINGERPRINT SPECIALIST, IN WICHITA, KANSAS, SEPT. ELEVEN, AND QUOTED ON PAGE ONE OF THE WICHITA BEACON. THE BEACON IDENTIFIES BONEBRAKE AS A MAN WHO "LED THE SEARCH THROUGH THOUSANDS OF FINGERPRINTS ON FILE WITH THE FBI HEADQUARTERS IN WASHINGTON SEEKING IDENTIFICATION OF THE KILLER."

BONEBRAKE QUOTED ASSAYING IN WICHITA, "I WAS ABLE TO TESTIFY THAT THE LATENT FINGERPRINTS WE FOUND IN MEMPHIS MATCHED"

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BONEBRAKE REPORTEDLY WAS ADDRESSING A WICHITA AREA POLICE SEMINAR ON FINGERPRINT IDENTIFICATION. ARTICLE CONTINUES BY STATING THAT FRANK GAROFALO, ASST. CITY EDITOR OF THE WICHITA BEACON, SAID YESTERDAY NEWSMEN WERE PERMITTED TO ATTEND THE LECTURE AND NOTHING WAS PUT OFF THE RECORD AT THE POLICE SEMINAR. A MAJOR IN THE WICHITA POLICE DEPARTMENT OBJECTED THE NEXT DAY, MR. GAROFALO SAID, THAT THE SPEECH HAD BEEN QUOTED TOO MUCH IN DETAIL.

JUDGE W. PRESTON BATTLE HAS ACKNOWLEDGED, ACCORDING TO THE ARTICLE, THAT HIS POWER TO LIMIT PUBLICITY APPLIED ONLY IN THE BOUNDARIES OF HIS JUDICIAL DISTRICT, SHELBY COUNTY, TENN.

HANES HAS SAID THAT THE ORDER HAS A DIFFERING EFFECT AND IS QUOTED AS FOLLOWS: "WHILE THE ACCUSED AND HIS ATTORNEYS HAVE BEEN ORDERED NOT TO GIVE INTERVIEWS, KEY WITNESSES FOR THE PROSECUTION, SUCH AS MR. BONEBRAKE, HAVE BEEN FREE TO MAKE STATEMENTS."

ATTORNEY GEN. RAMSEY CLARK STATED ON TELEVISION THAT RAY COMMITTED THIS CRIME WITH NO CONSPIRACY INVOLVED. WHEN I SAY THE CONTRARY

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