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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-33351)

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Inasmuch as subject RAY is in local custody, that the state trial in this matter is about to commence and that there remains very little, if any at all, additional investigation to be conducted in this matter, the Bureau is requested to authorize the Memphis Division to discontinue the submission of the monthly cost data figures in instant matter.

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To: Legat, Ottawa

From: Director, FBI (44-38861)

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James Squires, Assistant Editor, "Nashville Tennessean," who in the past has been interested in the Warren Commission Report on the Kennedy assassination, advised he is covering the trial of James Earl Ray at Memphis, Tennessee.

Squires advised that he recently received a telephone call from Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada, and the caller identified himself as Donald Steward Appell, an investigator, employed by one Richard "Dick" Giesbrecht. According to Squires, Giesbrecht is under the opinion that "Raoul" is identical with a blond Latin seaman that Giesbrecht had overheard discussing the Kennedy assassinated in November of 1963 and the conversation was overheard in 1964.

A copy of the communication received from Memphis regarding James Squires is enclosed for the information of Legat, Ottawa.

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Legat, Ottawa should furnish this information to the RCMP for appropriate check to determine what they can furnish us regarding this matter.

Legat, Ottawa should forward to the Bureau any additional RCMP investigative results relative to the female employed by the Canadian Government that James Earl Ray allegedly consorted with.

Legat, Ottawa should also request the RCMP to furnish us any information they have recently developed concerning Jules Rocco Kimble.

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NOTE:

See Rosen to DeLoach Memorandum 11-5-68, captioned, "Murkin," REL:erg/jms. This communication also requesting Legat, Ottawa to furnish Bureau results of investigation being conducted by RCMP regarding other aspects. Ray had several dates with a female in Canada prior to the assassination of Martin Luther King, Jr., and the RCMP is currently conducting an investigation concerning all aspects. RCMP previously furnished us information that one Jules Rocco Kimble possibly was acquainted with an individual in Toronto, Canada, who meets the general description of Ray. Negative findings have resulted this far, and have requesting the Legat Ottawa to provide us with any additional investigative results of RCMP.

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TO : Mr. DeLoag

DATE: November 5, 1968

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FROM : A. Rosen

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SUBJECT: MURKIN

SYNOPSIS:

This is the case involving the murder of Martin Luther

King, Jr.

James Squires, Assistant Editor, "Nashville Tennessean," who in the past has been interested in the Warren Commission Report on the Kennedy assassination, advised he is covering the trial of James Earl Ray at Memphis. Squires received a telephone call from Canada and caller identified himself as Donald Stewart Appell, an investigator employed by one Richard "Dick" Giesbrecht. Appell asked questions of Squires concerning the particular aspect of James Earl Ray being approached in Montreal, Canada, by individual named "Raoul." Recent issue of "Look" Magazine carried an account of an individual by the name of "Raoul" in which Ray and "Raoul" were endeavoring to make some type of deal concerning a "joint activity" for which "Raoul" would pay Ray \$12,000. Activity not fully described but Ray was to transport packages between United States and Canada, and possibility exists that packages could contain contraband such as narcotics. Appell advised that Giesbrecht of opinion that "Raoul" is identical with a blond, Latin seaman that Giesbrecht had heard discussing the Kennedy assassination (conversation overheard in 1964). We previously had this information concerning the Kennedy assassination and logical investigation disproved numerous parts of Giesbrecht's allegation and failed to confirm verifiable portions of story. President Kennedy assassinated in November of 1963.

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This information will be provided to the Royal Canadian Mounted Police by our Legal Attache in Ottawa for appropriate action.

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Squires advised that he recently received a telephone call from Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada, and the caller identified himself as Donald Stewart Appell, an investigator employed by one Richard "Dick" Giesbrecht. According to Squires, Appell began asking questions concerning James Earl Ray particularly the aspect of Ray being approached by a blond, Latin man in Montreal, Canada, named "Raoul."

It is noted that the recent issue of "Look" Magazine carried an article authored by William Bradford Huie and the article in part contains an account of an individual by the name of "Raoul." This individual and Ray, according to the article were endeavoring to make some type of deal concerning a "joint activity" for which "Raoul" would pay Ray \$12,000. The specific nature of the "joint activity" is not fully described or identified but Ray was to transport packages (not further described) between the United States and Canada. The possibility exists that the packages could contain contraband, such as narcotics. No mention is made here of "Raoul" providing Ray with funds which would implicate "Raoul" in a conspiracy in the King assassination; however. Huie infers that a conspiracy exists.

Appell further related to Squires that Giesbrecht is of the opinion that "Raoul" is identical with a blond, Latin seaman that Giesbrecht had heard discussing the Kennedy assassination (conversation overheard in 1964). President Kennedy assassinated in November. 1963.

Based upon available data concerning Appell, it is not possible to determine if he is identifiable in Bureau files; however, Squires stated that a few years ago he had met and interviewed an investigator for the House Committee on Unamerican Activities (HCUA) by the name of Donald Appell and he asked the Appell in Canada if he was identical with HCUA investigator and the Canadian Appell said he was not.

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SAID HIS STORY ONLY INDICATED RAY CLAIMED CONTACTED BY MAN IN

CANADA.

SQUIRES SURMISES AS RESULT OF AP RELEASE, WHICH APPARENTLY
WENT INTO CANADA, WE RECEIVED ON TUESDAY NIGHT, OCT. TWENTYNINE,
SIXTYEIGHT, LONG DISTANCE CALL FROM WINNIPEG, MANITOBA. CALLER
IDENTIFIED HIMSELF AS DONALD STEWART APPELL, INVESTIGATOR EMPLOYED
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IDENTICAL WITH BLOND LATIN SEAMAN THAT GIESBRECHT HAD HEARD
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SQUIRES SAID HE THOUGHT SOMETHING MIGHT BE FISHY AND HE CALLED END PAGE TWO

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BACK TO WINNIPEG, CANADA, ON WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER THIRTY, SIXTYEIGHT,
TO DETERMINE IF A PERSON SUCH AS GIESBRECHT EXISTED AND IF HE
COULD CONTACT APPELL AGAIN. SQUIRES ALSO SAID PRIOR TO HIS CALL
TO CANADA HE CHECKED THE WARREN COMMISSION REPORT AND COULD FIND
NO REFERENCE TO GIESBRECHT. HE SAID WHEN HE CALLED BACK TO
CANADA HE DID GET IN TOUCH WITH RICHARD "DICK" GIESBRECHT'S WIFE,
WHO TOLD HIM HER HUSBAND WAS OUT. THROUGH HER HE GOT IN TOUCH WITH
DONALD STEWART APPELL. THEY AGAIN DISCUSSED THE RAY CASE AND
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MAN WHO HAD BEEN DISCUSSING THE PLOT TO ASSASSINATE KENNEDY WAS ONE
AND THE SAME INDIVIDUAL. APPELL ALSO TOLD SQUIRES THAT HE AND
GIESBRECHT PLANNED TO GO TO NEW ORLEANS FIRST WEEK IN NOVEMBER TO
GIVE THEIR INFORMATION TO DISTRICT ATTORNEY GENERAL GARRISON,
NEW ORLEANS.

SQUIRES ADVISED TELEPHONE NUMBER FOR GIESBRECHT IN WINNIPEG IS THREE THREE NINE DASH FIVE SIX FIVE TWO. THE TELEPHONE NUMBER FOR APPELL IN WINNIPEG IS FOUR FIVE TWO DASH EIGHT FOUR SIX EIGHT.

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REGARDLESS OF WHETHER OR NOT BUREAU INDICES CONTAIN
INFORMATION, IT IS SUGGESTED THAT DATA RE GIESBRECHT AND APPELL
AND RESPECTIVE PHONE NUMBERS BE FURNISHED RCMP FOR APPROPRIATE
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO

Director, FBI (44-38861)

DATE:

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FROM

8AC, Memphis (44-1987)

SUBJECT:

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Transmitted herewith for the information of the Bureau are individual copies of a summons to appear in Criminal Court on November 12, a copy of an Order on Sequestration of Witnesses, and a letter advising the date of November 12 shall be disregarded as appearance date in Court. One copy each of these was delivered to SAC, Memphis, and SA ROBERT FITZPATRICK, Memphis Division.

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STATE OF TENNESSEE

VS.

NO. 16645 Murder First Degree
NO. 16819 Carrying Dangerous Weapon

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JUDGE, DIVISION THREE

CRIMINAL, COURT OF

SHELBY COUNTY, TENNESSEE

Date: OCT 18, 1968.

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OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF • SHELBY COUNTY • TENNESSEE



WILLIAM N. MORRIS, JR., SHERIFF

November 7, 1968

Mr. Robert Fitzpatrick % Federal Bureau of Investigation Memphis, Tennessee

IN RE: STATE OF TENNESSEE

VS

JAMES EARL RAY

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Mr. Fitzpatrick:

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Yours very truly,

WILLIAM N. MORRIS, JR., SHERIFF

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From: Director, FBI (44-36961)

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RE: MURKIN

Granada Hotel Birmingham, Alabama August 25, 1967 (Birmingham Division)

Flamingo Motel Selma, Alabama March 24, 1960 (Mobile Division)

Each division will obtain a list of the guests registered at the respective motels and hotel for a period of three days before, during, and three days after the listed period. This list should include, but not be restricted to, name, address, and identification of any vehicle used by the guests. The possibility exists that a common denominator will appear at the above in order that the identity of "Raoul" will be established.

In addition, the article sets forth that Ray stayed at an unnamed motel in Nuevo Laredo, Mexico, 10-7-57. Since it is not known how many motels are located in Nuevo Laredo, Mexico, the San Antonio Office should conduct the desired investigation only if feasible. Advise the Eureau and Memphis accordingly.

The Memphis Division, upon receipt of this information from the other listed divisions, will completely
evaluate this information for possible identification of
"Raoul." The name "Raoul" is Spanish for Ralph and it should
be considered that this could be either a given name or a
surname.

This is to be handled immediately and results furnished to the Bureau promptly.

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magazine. These articles infer that an individual by the name of "Raoul" contacted Ray on several occasions and alleges that the assassination of Martin Luther King, Jr. WAS CONSPIRACY, is not substantiated in these articles, however, we are requesting several field divisions to make inquiries at motels and hotel to determine if a common denominator exists that will be helpful in identifying "Raoul".

Memphis is being instructed to make this evaluation.

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