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FROM: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987) P  
RE: MURKIN

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FBI ATLANTA

309AM 4/15/68 URGENT LG  
TO DIRECTOR, MEMPHIS, LOUISVILLE, JACKSONVILLE  
FROM ATLANTA (44-2386)

MURKIN

RE JACKSONVILLE TEL APRIL FOURTEEN LAST CONCERNING

CLYDE COURTNEY.

RECORDS PEACEFUL MOTEL, CORDELE GA. CHECKED APRIL  
FOURTEEN AND REFLECT COURTNEY STAYED THERE APRIL THREE LAST.

C. M. MASSEY, TENTH STREET, VIENNA, GEORGIA ON APRIL  
FOURTEEN CONFIRMED HE WAS WITH COURTNEY APRIL FOUR THROUGH APRIL  
EIGHT LAST.

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TO DIRECTOR, BIRMINGHAM, ATLANTA, AND LOS ANGELES  
AND JACKSONVILLE

FROM MEMPHIS (44-1987) 4P

MURKIN.

INPSECTOR N. E. ZACHARY, MEMPHIS, TENN., PD, FURNISHED  
THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION VERBATIM, APRIL FOURTEEN, NINETEEN  
SIXTY EIGHT:

CAPT. JEWELL RAY, INTERNAL SECURITY, MEMPHIS PD, RECEIVED  
INFO FROM A FEMALE WHITE INFORMANT WHO BELIEVES THAT SHE MAY HAVE  
SEEN SUBJECT GALT IN MEMPHIS AROUND MARCH TWENTY TWO OR TWENTY  
THREE, SIXTY EIGHT, AND ON OTHER OCCASIONS AROUND LOUNGES, LAST  
TIME BEING AT CHENNAULT'S ON BELLEVUE. SHE HAS HEARD GIRLS IN  
THE LOUNGES CALL HIM "STEVIE." HE TOLD HER THAT HIS NAME WAS  
ERIC AND THE LAST NAME SOUNDED TO HER AS IF IT WOULD BE "GAULDEN,"  
"GAULDING" OR GAULDET." SHE IS NOT SURE OF THE SPELLING BUT THAT  
IS THE WAY IT SOUNDS TO HER.

SHE DESCRIBES THE MAN AS BEING ABOUT THIRTY FIVE OR THIRTY  
SIX YRS. OLD. ON FIRST MEETING HIM, YOU GET THE IMPRESSION HE IS A  
MUCH YOUNGER MAN BUT AFTER STUDYING HIM, HE APPEARS TO BE AROUND  
THIRTY FIVE. HIS EYES HAVE A STARE AND YOU FEEL LIKE HIS IS LOOKING  
THROUGH YOU. HE IS STAND-OFFISH, HE DOES NOT MIX IN THE PARTY.  
HE IS A SLENDER MAN, AROUND FIVE FT. TEN TO SIX FT. HE HAS DARK  
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HAIR THAT APPEARS TO BE A CREW CUT GROWING OUT AS IT IS NOT EVEN ON HIS HAED. HE HAS A SIDE GRIN OR SMIRK ON THE LEFT SIDE OF HIS MOUTH, PULLS HIS MOUTH BACK LIKE A GRIN. WHEN HE PULLS HIS MOUTH BACK TO SIDE, SPACE IS NOTICEABLE BETWEEN UPPER TEETH. THIS SPACE CANNOT BE SEEN EXCEPT WHEN HIS MOUTH IS DRAWN BACK. HE HAS A SMALL GOLD BAND ON HIS RIGHT LITTLE FINGER. IT IS PLAIN GOLD AND MIGHT POSSIBLY HAVE AN INITIAL ON IT. HE IS A NEAT DRESSER, BEING CONSERVATIVE. USUALLY WEARS A SUIT. SHE SAW HIM ONE TIME WITH A REAL SPLASHY SPORT SHIRT ON. SHE HAS NEVER SEEN ONE LIKE IT BEFORE OR SINCE. IN OTHER WORDS, HE DIDN'T BUY IT AROUND HERE.

SHE HEARD HIM MENTION NAME "JIM RUBINO," WHO IS SUPPOSED TO BE A MEMPHIS MAN, AND THE NAME OF DUKE, WHO IS SUPPOSED TO BE A MEMPHIS PARTY. FROM WHAT SHE COULD FIND OUT ABOUT HIM, HE IS FROM AROUND BIRMINGHAM AND ATLANTA. HE TAKES GREEN PILLS AND TRAVELS BETWEEN BIRMINGHA, ATLANTA, AND CALIFORNIA, AND IS MIXED UP WITH SOME SUPPOSED TO BE BIG TIME SAFE BURGLARS, ONE CONNECTION BEING GORDON FORBES, WHO IS IN A CHARTER BOAT SERVICE OUT OF DESTIN, FLA. HE IS SUPPOSED TO HAVE BEEN IN MEMPHIS TO CONTACT BILLY SIDES AND TOMMY ELLIS PIKE. ACCORDING TO INFORMANT,

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WHEN THINGS ARE "HOT," THEY LIKE TO HOLE UP AT A FARM NEAR BIRMINGHAM. SHE STATED PIKE AND THE OTHERS HAVE BEEN GOING INTO MEXICO, TO ACAPULCO.

INSPECTOR ZACHARY DOES NOT KNOW THE SOURCE. HE WILL CONTACT THE OFFICER HANDLING HER AND HAVE THE OFFICER INQUIRE OF THE SOURCE WHETHER SHE IS WILLING TO DISCUSS THE PERSONAL APPEARANCE OF SUSPECT WITH THE BUREAU ARTIST PRESENTLY IN MEMPHIS. INSPECTOR ZACHARY KNOWS SHE IS MOST CONCERNED AND WORRIED OVER BEING INVOLVED IN THIS THING. IN VIEW OF THE TYPE OF PEOPLE INVOLVED, HE FEELS SHE MAY BE DEPENDENT ON THEM FOR HER SUPPLY OF DRUGS.

INFORMANT DESCRIBED SUSPECT'S CAR AS A MUSTANG, CREAM COLORED, WHITE OR GRAY.

WILLIAM EUGENE SIDES, FBI NO. NINE ONE EIGHT FIVE FOUR NINE B; TOMMY ELLIS PIKE, FBI NO. FOUR THREE FIVE ZERO ONE ZERO B, AND JAMES GORDON FORBES ARE ALL KNOWN BY THE MEMPHIS OFFICE AS SUSPECTS IN BANK BURGLARY INVESTIGATIONS. INFO AVAILABLE IN MEMPHIS INDICATES THAT FORBES, A FORMER RESIDENT OF MEMPHIS, AND PIKE WERE IN A SERIOUS AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT ON MARCH TWENTY SIX, SIXTY EIGHT, AND ARE SUPPOSED TO BE IN METHODIST HOSPITAL, MEMPHIS, AT THIS TIME. ARRANGEMENTS ARE BEING MADE TO INTERVIEW THEM.

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FORBES IS REPORTED TO HAVE A RESIDENCE IN PANAMA CITY, FLA., AND HIS FATHER IS SUPPOSED TO OPERATE TWO CHARTER BOATS OUT OF DESTIN, FLA.

THE LEAD MATERIAL FOUND IN A REVIEW OF THE FOREGOING NTEXT IS FULLY AND PROMPTLY EXPLORED IN THE MEMPHIS DIVISION. OFFICES RECEIVING THIS COMMUNICATION ARE REQUESTED TO EXPLORE THIS POTENTIAL IN THEIR DIVISIONS LIKEWISE.

WE KNOW OF NO "WALLACE FOR PRESIDENT" ORGANIZATION IN TENN. BUT ARE MAKING FURTHER CHECKS CONCERNING THIS INTEREST EXHIBITED BY GALT. OTHER OFFICES SHOULD LIKEWISE EXPLORE THE POSSIBILITY THAT GALT HAS BEEN ENGAGED IN WALLACE ACTIVITY IN PLACES OTHER THAN CALIFORNIA.

THE BUREAU IS REQUESTED TO CONSIDER DISSEMINATING THIS INFORMATION TO ALL OFFICES PROMPTLY AND TO FURNISH IT TO THE LEGATS, MEXICO CITY, AND OTTAWA, AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

EFFORTS WILL BE MADE TO ARRANGE AN INTERVIEW WITH THIS SOURCE. IN VIEW OF THE FACT THE PD SEEMS TO FEEL HER CREDIBILITY IS EXCELLENT, ARRANGEMENTS WILL BE MADE TO HAVE HER OPERATE IN OUR INTEREST IN THE MEMPHIS AREA. P.

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FBI MEMPHIS

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TO DIRECTOR, ATLANTA, BIRMINGHAM, LOS ANGELES, JACKSONVILLE  
FROM MEMPHIS (44-1987) 3P

MURKIN.

RE MEMPHIS TEL, APRIL FOURTEEN INSTANT, RE INFO FURNISHED BY  
MEMPHIS PD INFORMANT.

INSPECTOR N. E. ZACHARY, MEMPHIS PD, FURNISHED FOLLOWING  
ADDITIONAL INFO ON APRIL FOURTEEN:

ZACHARY PERSONALLY TALKED TO MEMPHIS PD INFORMANT ON TELEPHONE  
SUBSEQUENT TO FURNISHING INFO IN RETEL, WHICH HE RECEIVED SECOND  
HAND. AT THIS TIME SOURCE FURNISHED FOLLOWING INFO RE SUSPECT:

SHE FIRST MET THIS MAN FIVE OR SIX WEEKS AGO AT THE  
MANHATTAN CLUB IN MEMPHIS. THE SECOND OCCASION WAS TWO OR THREE  
NIGHTS BEFORE THE LAST PARADE OF THE SANITATION WORKERS IN MEMPHIS.  
THIS MEETING WAS AT THE PSYCHO LOUNGE. ON THE THIRD AND LAST  
OCCASION SHE SAW HIM AT CHENNAULT'S ON BELLEVUE, MARCH TWENTY  
FIVE OR TWENTY SIX LAST, AND SHE BELIEVES THIS WAS THE NIGHT  
GORDON FORBES WAS INJURED.

THE INDIVIDUAL NAMED DUKE IS BELIEVED TO HAVE COME FROM  
THE BIRMINGHAM AREA. SHE FEELS HE MAY HAVE SOMETHING TO DO WITH  
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THE FARM WHICH THIS GROUP USES AS A HIDEOUT. THE FARM IS SUPPOSED TO BE LOCATED BETWEEN BIRMINGHAM AND MOBILE. IN ADDITION TO A HIDEOUT, IT IS SUPPOSED TO BE THE SEAT OF OPERATIONS FOR A LARGE CAR THEFT RING WHICH RRINGS CARS FROM ST. LOUIS AND MEMPHIS TO THE FARM. SHE SAID A BIG MAN, A MAN OF INFLUENCE, IS SUPPOSED TO OWN THE FARM AND MAY BE BEHIND THE WHOLE OPERATION.

WITH REGARD TO THE SUSPECT'S PHYSICAL APPEARANCE, SHE SAID HE HAS THE COLDEST BLUE-GRAY OR HAZEL EYES, SHE HAS EVER SEEN. HIS HAIR IS BROWN, LOOKS LIKE A FLAT TOP GROWING OUT. IT IS COMBED STRAIGHT BACK. WHEN HE HAS IT GREASED, IT IS DARKER IN COLOR. HE TALKS OUT OF THE LEFT SIDE OF HIS MOUTH, HAS A RESERVED, QUIET VOICE, AND SELDOM VOLUNTEERS ANY INFORMATION. HIS APPEARANCE IS NEAT AND CONSERVATIVE. HE HAS A LIGHT SUNTAN AND HAS ALWAYS WORN LONGSLEEVED SHIRTS WHEN SHE HAS OBSERVED HIM. SHE PLACES HIS HEIGHT AT FIVE FT. TEN OR ELEVEN, BUILD SLENDER, ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY TO ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY FIVE.

THERE IS A GAP IN HIS TEETH VISIBLE WHEN HE SMILES AND DRAWS HIS MOUTH TO THE LEFT SIDE OF THE FACE. THIS GAP IS BETWEEN HIS UPPER TEETH. THERE IS A SUGGESTION OF A HAIRLINE MUSTACHE HAVING RECENTLY BEEN SHAVED OFF. SHE SURMISES

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THIS SINCE THERE IS A CONTRAST LINE IN THE TAN ON HIS UPPER LIP.

THE GOLD RING SHE OBSERVED ON HIS LITTLE FINGER IS ONE-FOURTH TO ONE-HALF INCH WIDE AT THE TOP.

SHE OVERHEARD SUSPECT TALKING WITH GORDON FORBES. ON THE BASIS OF THIS CONVERSATION, SHE BELIEVES THAT BORVES WAS THE CAPTAIN ON A FISHING BOAT OUT OF PANAMA CITY, FLA. THEY WERE TALKING ABOUT SOME KIND OF FISH THAT WOULD BEGIN TO RUN SOON. FORBES ASKED SUSPECT IF HE WAS GOING BACK ON THE BOAT. SUSPECT SAID, "NO, UNLESS THINGS GET A HELL OF A LOT WORSE THAN THEY ARE."

SOURCE DREW IMPLICATION FROM THIS FORBES AND THE SUSPECT MIGHT HAVE SHIPPED ON THE SAME FISHING BOAT OR OPERATED OUT OF THE SAME PORT ON FISHING BOATS.

SOURCE HAS THE IMPRESSION THAT SUSPECT TOLD HER THAT HE WAS ORIGINALLY FROM UP NORTH BUT HAD BEEN IN THE SOUTH FOR SEVERAL YEARS.

INSPECTOR ZACHARY ARRANGED FOR THE SOURCE TO MEET THE BUREAU ARTISTS ON THE NIGHT OF APRIL FOURTEEN, SIXTY EIGHT.

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TO: MEMPHIS (44-1987)  
FROM: JACKSONVILLE (44-769)  
MURKIN, CR, OO: MEMPHIS.

ON APRIL ELEVEN, LAST, WILLIE MORTON, AND DORIS WILLIAMS, NEGRO FEMALES, EMPLOYED SANTA ROSA HOSPITAL, MILTON, FLORIDA, CONFIDENTIALLY ADVISED THAT ON EITHER APRIL FIVE OR SIX, LAST, ETHEL SMITH, RESIDENCE BAGDAD, FLORIDA, WHITE FEMALE, A CO-WORKER APPEARED VERY UPSET AND THEY ASKED HER WHAT WAS WORRYING HER.

THEY RELATED THAT MRS. SMITH STATED THAT SHE HAD RECEIVED A TELEPHONE CALL FROM HER DAUGHTER, GAYNELL (PHONETIC) LAST NAME UNKNOWN, WHO RESIDES IN MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE, ADDRESS UNKNOWN, AND THIS DAUGHTER STATED THAT HER BROTHER-IN-LAW, RAY GENE (PHONETIC) LAST NAME UNKNOWN, WAS COMING FROM MEMPHIS TO MRS. SMITH'S RESIDENCE AND ASKED HER TO LET HIM STAY AT HER, MRS. SMITH'S RESIDENCE, UNTIL SHE, GAYNELL, AND HER HUSBAND COULD COME AND GET HIM. GAYNELL REPORTEDLY TOLD MRS. SMITH NOT TO HAVE ANYTHING TO DO WITH RAY GENE OR BE SEEN WITH HIM, AND THAT SHE WAS ONLY TO LET HIM STAY AT HER RESIDENCE UNTIL GAYNELL AND HER HUSBAND COULD COME DOWN.

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ACCORDING TO MORTON AND WILLIAMS, THIS INDIVIDUAL, A WHITE MALE, ABOUT THIRTY YEARS OF AGE, NO OTHER DESCRIPTION, ARRIVED

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AT MRS. SMITH'S RESIDENCE ON APRIL FIVE, LAST, IN A BLUE AND WHITE PONTIAC, LICENSE NUMBER UNKNOWN, AND THAT THIS CAR IS STILL AT MRS. SMITH'S RESIDENCE. THEY WERE UNABLE TO FURNISH ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OTHER THAN THAT THEY FELT THIS INDIVIDUAL MIGHT BE WANTED BY LOCAL AUTHORITIES IN MEMPHIS OR POSSIBLY INVOLVED IN THE ASSASSINATION OF KING. MORTON AND WILLIAMS WILL ATTEMPT TO OBTAIN COMPLETE NAME OF THIS INDIVIDUAL.

DISCREET OBSERVATION AT ETHEL SMITH'S RESIDENCE REVEALED A NINETEEN FIFTYNINE PONTIAC STARCHIEF, WHITE OVER BLUE BEARING TENNESSEE LICENSE A T - FIVE THREE FIVE ONE.

IN VIEW OF THE ABOVE INFORMATION, IT WOULD APPEAR THAT THE ABOVE-MENTIONED "RAY GENE" LEFT MEMPHIS, SURREPTITIOUSLY UNDER CIRCUMSTANCES WHICH MIGHT INDICATE A POSSIBLE CONNECTION WITH CAPTIONED CASE OR THAT HE IS WANTED BY LOCAL AUTHORITIES MEMPHIS.

MEMPHIS IS REQUESTED TO DETERMINE REGISTERED OWNER OF ABOVE VEHICLE AND DETERMINE IF THERE IS ANY KNOWN CONNECTION WITH CAPTIONED CASE OR SUSPECT, GALT, AND OR IF POSSIBLY WANTED BY LOCAL AUTHORITIES.

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**TO: DIRECTOR (AIRMAIL)**  
**MEMPHIS (44-1987)**  
**DALLAS (44-2644)**  
**CHARLOTTE (44-1365)**

**FROM: JACKSONVILLE (44-769) (P)**

**MURKIN**

**RE CHARLOTTE TELETYPE TO DALLAS, APRIL TEN, LAST.**

**EARL J. GIBSON, JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA, HAS NOT SEEN OR  
 HEARD FROM BROTHER, CHARLES NELSON GIBSON, IN OVER TEN YEARS.  
 FURNISHED ADDITIONAL RELATIVE, MRS. W. L. MILLS, SISTER,  
 JACKSONVILLE. MRS. MILLS ADVISED HAS NOT HEARD ANYTHING FROM  
 OR SEEN FROM BROTHER, CHARLES, IN APPROXIMATELY SEVEN YEARS.  
 BOTH MILLS AND GIBSON INFORMED ONLY PERSON KNOW BROTHER, CHARLES,  
 MAINTAINING CONTACT IS MOTHER, MRS. MAUDE GIBSON, RED SPRINGS,  
 NORTH CAROLINA.**

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 FROM: SAC, ALBANY (44-493) (P)  
 SUBJECT: MURKIN  
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(OO: MEMPHIS)

Re Albany airtel to Bureau 4/11/68.

LAUNDRY MARKS

Following is a list by offices of Thermo-Seal machines located at military establishments producing five character tapes 1 1/8" long and 1/4" wide as provided by Mr. DONALD BROTON, Textile Marking Machine Company, 2204 Erie Boulevard East, Syracuse, N.Y.

3-Bureau  
 3-Memphis (44-1987)  
 2-Boston (157-644)  
 2-Charlotte  
 2-Chicago (44-1114)  
 2-Honolulu  
 ③ Jacksonville (44-769)  
 3-Miami  
 2-Newark (44-854)  
 2-New York (44-1609)  
 3-Norfolk  
 2-Philadelphia  
 2-Richmond  
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For the information of San Juan, the following is furnished:

Search of premises believed occupied by UNSUB who assassinated Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING on 4/4/68, disclosed suitcase in which was located tee-shirt and undershorts bearing laundry mark on red tape with black lettering believed to be Thermo-Seal type, manufactured by Textile Marking Machine Co., Inc., Syracuse, N.Y. The tape is  $\frac{1}{4}$ " wide and  $1 \frac{1}{16}$ " long and bears letters and numbers 02B-6.

Experts at Textile Marking Machine Company advise type on this machine is unusual in that the first two characters are 15 point type and the last three characters are eighteen point type, with the middle character, the letter B, probably being narrow rather than regular type. The usual machine carries 15 point type for the first three characters and 18 point type for the last two characters.

Textile Marking Machine experts also stated this machine is defective in that it is producing a tape  $1 \frac{1}{16}$ " long instead of  $1 \frac{1}{8}$ " long and is not projecting the tape far enough resulting in cutting off a portion of the first letter. The code used in the Northeast part of the U. S. is as follows:

The first letter O stands for lot number; the first number 2 indicates the day of the week, two being Tuesday; the second letter indicates the first letter of the store name, this is the letter B; the last number is the bundle number, this is 6. Color coding of the tag may designate various things such as a different month or the identity of a store in a chain. Experts also state the use of this system on laundry items is unusual in that the system is normally used on garments being dry cleaned.

The Bureau has instructed that all textile machines using this type tape be located and machines using this code be identified.

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BOSTON

Navy Exchange	SN 32296
Naval Air Station	SN 33431
Quonset Point, Rhode Island	

Navy Exchange	SN 33137
Naval Station	SN 33133
Naval Base	
Newport, Rhode Island	

CHARLOTTE

Freight Traffic Bridge	SN 31806
Building 1011	SN 31807
Camp Lejeune, North Carolina	SN 31847
	SN 31849

CHICAGO

Navy Exchange	SN 32285
Naval Training Officer	SN 32308
Great Lakes, Illinois	

HONOLULU

Navy Exchange	SN 32897
Naval Station	
Pearl Harbor, Hawaii	

JACKSONVILLE

Navy Exchange	SN 31748
Naval Air Station	SN 31773
Jacksonville, Florida	SN 31923

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	SN 32220
	SN 32525
	SN 32529
	SN 32509
	SN 32300
	SN 32295

Navy Exchange	SN 32521
Naval Air Station	
Yukon, Florida	

MIAMI

Navy Exchange	SN 31964
Naval Station	SN 31969
Key West, Florida	

MEMPHIS

Navy Exchange	SN 32040
Naval Air Station	SN 32044
Millington, Tennessee	SN 32439

NEWARK

Navy Exchange	SN 33440
Naval Air Station	
Lakehurst, New Jersey	

NEW YORK

Army and Air Force Exchange	SN 32141
Ship to Transport Officer	SN 32143
Brooklyn Army Terminal	SN 32148
First Avenue and 53 St.	SN 32157
Brooklyn, N.Y.	

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NORFOLK

Navy Exchange	SN 32131
Naval Air Station	SN 32144
Norfolk, Virginia	SN 32332

Navy Exchange	SN 32283
Naval Amphibious Base	SN 32288
Little Lake	SN 32292
Norfolk, Virginia	

PHILADELPHIA

Navy Exchange	SN 32920
Naval Station	SN 32931
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania	SN 33708

RICHMOND

CMCS Stock Acct.	SN 32665
Building 2011	
Marine Corps Schools	
Quantico, Virginia	

SAN FRANCISCO

Navy Exchange	SN 32900
Naval Air Station	
Moffett Field, California	

Freight Terminal	SN 32286
Naval Supply Center	
Oakland, California	

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SAN JUAN

Naval Exchange  
Naval Station  
San Juan, Puerto Rico  
SN 33520  
SN 33521

SEATTLE

Navy Exchange  
Widbey Island  
Cak Harbor, Washington  
SN 32763  
SN 32875

Navy Exchange  
Naval Supply Depot  
Seattle, Washington  
SN 31994

WFO

Navy Exchange  
Naval Station  
Washington, D. C.  
SN 32920  
SN 32931

LEADS

ALL OFFICES PLEASE NOTE: Bureau teletype to All Continental Offices, 4/9/68, stated that all laundries should be contacted in an effort to identify the tape on the shorts and tee-shirt believed to have been abandoned by UNSUB. The Textile Marking Machine Co. has advised that the above are the only machines known by that company to be in the above listed states which would be capable of producing the laundry mark on the garments. This company advised that the tapes on the garments are their tapes exclusively and that there is no other marking machines in the world which could have produced the tapes.



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ALL OFFICES should index the names of these locations in their territories for future use in other type cases.

The Bureau has been requested to supply to all of the offices covering the above states copies of color photographs of the tapes attached to the garments recovered. The Bureau has advised that this is being done.

ALL OFFICES

It is suggested in contacts with above establishments the actual operators of Thermo-Seal machines rather than supervisory personnel be contacted. It is further suggested, on the basis of consultation with Textile Marking Machine Co. personnel that the letter "O" in instant tape may have been used rather than a dash for first character. If the code is recognizable by insertion of a dash instead of letter "O", or if the code is recognizable as it appears on instant tape, obtain sample of tape and immediately submit to FBI Laboratory for examination.

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TO ALL CONTINENTAL OFFICES

FROM DIRECTOR 44-38861 3P

MURKIN.

ERIC STARVO GALT, THE PRINCIPAL SUSPECT, HAS BEEN REPORTED AS HAVING ATTENDED DANCING SCHOOLS IN BIRMINGHAM, NEW ORLEANS AND CALIFORNIA. ALL OFFICES SHOULD IMMEDIATELY CHECK ALL DANCING SCHOOLS IN YOUR TERRITORIES FOR ANY RECORD OF PRIOR ATTENDANCE AT ANY SUCH SCHOOLS BY GALT AND RUN OUT ANY LEADS DEVELOPED. GALT REPORTEDLY SIGNED UP FOR A ONE YEAR DANCING COURSE IN NEW ORLEANS IN NINETEEN SIXTYFOUR; TOOK DANCING LESSONS FOR SEVERAL WEEKS IN BIRMINGHAM BEGINNING IN SEPTEMBER NINETEEN SIXTYSEVEN; AND TOOK A FOUR HUNDRED NINETYNINE DOLLAR DANCE COURSE FROM DECEMBER NINETEEN SIXTYSEVEN TO FEBRUARY NINETEEN SIXTYEIGHT AT LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA.

ONE DANCE INSTRUCTOR HAS STAT THAT GALT IS "CRAZY" ABOUT DANCING BUT A POOR DANCER AND DIFFICULT TO TEACH AND PAGE ONE

*advise*  
*Lake City - Cook*  
*St. Aug. - C. Anderson*  
*Dayton - Riley*  
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BECAUSE HE DOES NOT REMEMBER INSTRUCTIONS. HE WAS DESCRIBED AS AN INTROVERT WHO VOLUNTEERS NO INFORMATION AND REPLIES WITH YES OR NO ANSWERS WHEN ASKED; DID NOT MINGLE WITH OTHER STUDENTS AND MADE NO EFFORTS TO MAKE FRIENDS OR CONVERSE WITH ANYONE.

ANOTHER DANCE INSTRUCTOR STATED GALT IS A GOOD DANCER, DISPLAYED SLIGHT SOUTHERN ACCENT, RURAL CHARACTERISTICS OF LANGUAGE AND DICTION, TEETH STRAIGHT AND CLEAN, FINGERNAILS CLEAN AND NEATLY TRIMMED;; WORE GOLD RING WITH DARK STONE; ALWAYS NEATLY DRESSED WITH SUIT AND SHINY SLIP ON TYPE BLACK ALLIGATOR SHOES WITH THIN SOLES, BLACK HOSE AND WORE TIE TACK AND CUFF LINKS. SMOKED FILTER CIGARETTES AND HAD NERVOUS HABIT OF OCCASIONALLY PULLING AT EAR LOBE. OWNER OF STUDIO STATES GALT SPOKE OF ALABAMA, SAID HE WAS A MERCHANT SEAMAN; SPOKE OF BEING IN MEXICO BUT DID NOT SPEAK SPANISH AND SPOKE ENGLISH BADLY; WAS SOCIALLY INEPT, AN INTROVERT AND A POOR DANCER BECAUSE HE WOULD NOT LOOSEN UP. SMILED RARELY AND WHEN HE DID IT WAS A NERVOUS CROOKED SMILE; PAID CASH FOR LESSONS TAKING A WAD OF BILLS FROM POCKET.

ERIC STARVO GALT DESCRIBED AS FIVE FEET ELEVEN INCHES, ONE HUNDRED SEVENTYFIVE POUNDS, BLUE EYES, BROWN HAIR, BORN [REDACTED], PLACE NOT GIVEN.

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GALT MAY HAVE USED THE NAME HARVEY LOWMYER OR JOHN WILLARD OR ANY VARIATION OF THESE TWO NAMES OR ANY OTHER NAME. IN CONNECTION WITH ANY INQUIRIES, NO INDICATION SHOULD BE GIVEN INQUIRIES ARE IN CONNECTION WITH CAPTIONED CASE.

UNSUB ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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TO: BUREAU (44-38861), ALBANY (44-493), AND MEMPHIS (44-1987).  
FROM: JACKSONVILLE (44-769)

MURKIN.

FRANK GURNEY, SHELL STATION, FORT CAROLINE ROAD, JACKSONVILLE ADVISED HE OPENED STATION EIGHT AM THIS DATE. INDIVIDUAL AT TIME WAS SLEEPING IN CAR WHICH HAD FLAT TIRE AND IT APPEARED HE HAD DRIVEN ABOUT TEN MILES ON THE FLAT. GURNEY CHANGED TIRE AND NOTED DARK BROWN ATTACHE CASE AND CARDBOARD FILE IN TRUNK. INDIVIDUAL SAID HE WAS FROM NEW YORK CITY BUT LIVED IN FLORIDA ELEVEN MONTHS OF YEAR. HE HAD BEEN DRINKING AND WAS LOST. APPEARED TO HAVE SUBSTANTIAL AMOUNT OF MONEY IN WALLET. LEFT STATION GOING TOWARD JACKSONVILLE AFTER RECEIVING DIRECTIONS.

GURNEY SAID HE NOTICED A SIMILARITY BETWEEN THIS INDIVIDUAL AND ARTIST SKETCH WHICH APPEARED IN JACKSONVILLE NEWSPAPER.

HE DESCRIBED INDIVIDUAL AS WHITE MALE AGE THIRTY EIGHT TO FORTY, FIVE FEET EIGHT TO NINE INCHES, ONE FIFTY POUNDS, EYES UNKNOWN, SANDY HAIR, FAIR COMPLEXION, SLENDER BUILD, POINTED FEATURES, DRESSED IN DARK SUIT, WHITE SHIRT AND TIE, NO HAT.

CJH-veu

Approved: *RQ9 Jfw/yeu*

Special Agent in Charge

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CAR DESCRIBED AS NINETEEN SIXTY FIVE OR SIX DARK BLUE  
OR BLACK CHRYSLER NEWPORT BEARING NEW YORK LICENSE Q A TWO  
FIVE FIVE NINE.

ALBANY IDENTIFY OWNER AND ELIMINATE AS POSSIBLY IDENTICAL  
SUSPECTS THIS MATTER.

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TO: BUREAU (44-38861), LOUISVILLE, ATLANTA (44-2386),  
AND MEMPHIS (44-1987)  
FROM: JACKSONVILLE (44-769)

MURKIN.

RE JACKSONVILLE TELEPHONE CALL TO BUREAU, APRIL THIRTEEN  
LAST.

CLYDE (NMN) COURTNEY, ARRESTED JACKSONVILLE POLICE DEPART-  
MENT, SEVEN FORTY PM, APRIL THIRTEEN LAST, JACKSONVILLE POLICE  
DEPARTMENT NUMBER THREE ZERO TWO ONE TWO, ON CHARGES OF VAG-  
RANCY, AND REPORTED BY POLICE AS RESEMBLING ARTISTS SKETCH OF  
UNSUB. COURTNEY INTERVIEWED AT JACKSONVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT.  
COURTNEY DESCRIBED AS WM, AGE THIRTYTHREE, BORN LOUISVILLE, KY.,  
[REDACTED], FIVE FEET NINE INCHES, ONE  
THREE ONE LBS., BROWN EYES, DARK BROWN OR BLACK HAIR RECEDING  
AT TEMPLES, SLENDER BUILD, SHARP FEATURES, SOCIAL SECURITY NUM-  
BER [REDACTED]. COURTNEY

*In 1/72  
Courtney was in jail  
selling blood at Ocean Plaza  
Center with*

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ADVISED THAT WHEN ARRESTED HE HAD TWENTYFIVE CENTS AND NO JOB; THAT HE HAS NOT OWNED A CAR SINCE HIS DRIVERS LICENSE WAS TAKEN AWAY ABOUT THREE YEARS AGO DUE TO ACCIDENT AT LOMA LINDA, CALIF. STATED IN AUGUST NINETEEN SIXTYSEVEN WAS RESIDING WITH HIS SISTER, MRS. G. E. SMITH, THREE ONE NINE EIGHT CANNES ST., RIVERSIDE, CALIF. AND EMPLOYED BY BROTHER-IN-LAW, AS PLUMBERS HELPER, RIVERSIDE; LEFT RIVERSIDE APPROXIMATELY NOVEMBER, SIXTYSEVEN BY CAR WITH BROTHER-IN-LAW AND ARRIVED AT ONE ZERO ONE TWO WINKLER AVE., LOUISVILLE, KY., THE RESIDENCE OF HIS MOTHER MRS. LULA SENSABOUGH. COURTNEY RESIDED WITH HIS MOTHER WHILE IN LOUISVILLE AND WAS EMPLOYED AS A JANITOR AT ST. ANTHONY'S HOSPITAL AND JEFFERSON COMMUNITY COLLEGE, LOUISVILLE UNDER MR. (FNU) KRAMER. LEFT LOUISVILLE, KY., SIX AM, APRIL THREE LAST, WITH NEIGHBOR, MR. (FNU) JAMES, ONE ZERO ONE ZERO WINKLER AVE., LOUISVILLE AND DROVE TO CORDELLE, GA., ARRIVING ABOUT SIX PM, APRIL THREE LAST. REGISTERED AT PEACEFUL MOTEL, CORDELLE, GA. COURTNEY ADVISED WHILE IN GEORGIA WAS IN COMPANY OF C. H. MASSEY, A CARPENTER, RESIDING TENTH STREET, VIENNA, GA. STATED LEFT

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VIENNA, GA., SIX PM, APRIL EIGHT LAST VIA GREYHOUND BUS, AND ARRIVED JACKSONVILLE SIX AM, APRIL NINE LAST. LOCAL AUTHORITIES CLAIMED COURTNEY RESEMBLED ARTISTS CONCEPTION AND NEWSPAPERS AND TV WERE AWARE OF SAME PRIOR TO AGENTS ARRIVAL AT POLICE HEADQUARTERS AND INTERVIEW WITH COURTNEY. NUMEROUS INQUIRIES BEING RECEIVED FROM PRESS WHO ARE BEING ADVISED THERE APPEARS TO BE NO APPARENT CONNECTION.

LOUISVILLE CONTACT MRS. LULA SENSABOUGH, ONE ZERO ONE TWO WINKLER ST., AND VERIFY RESIDENCE. CONTACT MR. KRAMER, JEFFERSON COMMUNITY COLLEGE AND VERIFY EMPLOYMENT.

ATLANTA CONTACT C. H. MASSEY, TENTH STREET, VIENNA, GA., AND VERIFY COURTNEY'S STORY IN CORDELLE AND VIENNA, GA. CHECK RECORDS PEACEFUL MOTEL, CORDELLE, GA. FOR REGISTRATION OF COURTNEY APRIL THREE LAST.

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FBI MEMPHIS

1203AM URGENT 4/13/68 CAF

TO JACKSONVILLE

FROM MEMPHIS (44-1987) 1P

MURKIN; CIVIL RIGHTS. OO: ME.

INVESTIGATION AT MEMPHIS REVEALED C. J. WILLIAMS, BOX  
FOUR TWO FOUR EIGHT JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA, EMPLOYED MOORE  
DRY KILN COMPANY, REGISTERED HOLIDAY INN, FOUR ZERO TWO TWO  
THOMAS, MEMPHIS, FROM APRIL NINE - TEN, LAST, DRIVING FORD  
WITH FLORIDA LICENSE <sup>2W 4 0 1 1 2</sup> TWO W FOUR ZERO ONE ONE TWO.  
AT TALLAHASSEE, DETERMINE IF AUTOMOBILE IS WHITE MUSTANG  
AND IF INFORMATION POSITIVE, AT JACKSONVILLE DETERMINE POSSIBLE  
CONNECTION WILLIAMS MAY HAVE WITH ASSASSINATION OF MARTIN  
LUTHER KING.

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*Walsh advised  
2:50 pm - 4/13/68 amb*  
*Tom - D.C.R.P. S.D. 1*  
*Simmons - 4-13-68 to*  
*above tag Dwy Kiln Co.*  
*Moore W. Plym with 4/13/68*  
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TO: SAC, ATLANTA LOUISVILLE  
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CHICAGO NEW ORLEANS  
CLEVELAND (44-565) SAVANNAH  
JACKSON (157-9586) ST. LOUIS (44-775)  
KNOXVILLE (44-696) MEMPHIS (44-1987)  
JACKSONVILLE

FROM: SAC, BIRMINGHAM (44-1740)

MURKIN

Re Memphis tel to listed offices April 10, 1968 and Knoxville tel to Memphis and Birmingham, same date.

Attached for each office are two (2) photographs of the latest artist's conception of Unsub who purchased rifle in Birmingham. This individual is described as a white male, about 36 years old, 5'8" - 5'10", 150-160 pounds, medium complexion, dark hair, probably brown, well dressed, wearing suit and tie.

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TO: DIRECTOR, JACKSON, MEMPHIS, BIRMINGHAM

FROM: SAC, JACKSONVILLE (44-769)

MURKIN.

RE JACKSON TEL TO JACKSONVILLE APRIL TWELVE LAST.

THOMAS W. TATUM INTERVIEWED AT LAW<sup>E</sup>TY, FLORIDA,  
THIS DATE AND STATES THAT HE CAME FROM BEAR CREEK, ALA.,  
WITH EZRA GAULT APPROXIMATELY SIXTEEN YEARS AGO. STATES  
GAULT HAS SEVERAL BROTHERS, PRESENT WHEREABOUTS UNKNOWN  
TO TATUM BUT THAT ALL ARE OVER SIXTY YEARS OF AGE.

EZRA GAULT LOCATED<sup>AT</sup> LAW<sup>E</sup>TY, FLORIDA, STATES ~~HE~~ HAS  
THREE BROTHERS AND THAT HIS FAMILY IS ORIGINALLY FROM  
SHERMAN, MISSISSIPPI. BROTHERS MAC, AGE IN LATE SEVENTIES,  
PRESENTLY RESIDING WITH HIM AT LAW<sup>E</sup>TY; EVERETT, AGE LATE  
SIXTIES, RESIDING NEAR MERIDIAN, MISSISSIPPI; CURTIS,  
AGE LATE FIFTIES, RESIDING SOMEWHERE IN LOUISIANA. GAULT  
FURTHER STATES HAS NOT SEEN BROTHERS IN MORE THAN TEN  
YEARS AND COULD FURNISH NO ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REGARDING  
THEIR WHEREABOUTS.

TATUM AND GAULT BOTH STATE ~~THEY~~ CORRECT SPELLINGEZRA GAULT IS ~~GAULT~~. NEITHER RECOGNIZE NAME

ERIC STARVO GALT.

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6:35 PM EST URGENT 4-12-68 TN

TO MEMPHIS (441987)

FROM JACKSONVILLE (44-769)

MURKIN.

RE MY TEL TODAY.

FOR INFO MEMPHIS, DORIS WILLIAMS, MILTON, FLA., TODAY,  
STATED THAT SHE DETERMINED FROM ETHEL SMITH THAT "RAY GENE'S"  
COMPLETE NAME IS RAYMOND GENE BREWER AND THAT HE ALSO HAS A  
BROTHER BY THE NAME WILLIAM BREWER WHO RESIDES IN MEMPHIS, TENN.,  
ADDRESS UNKNOWN. WILLIAMS UNABLE TO FURNISH ANY ADDITIONAL INFO.

MEMPHIS ADVISE JACKSONVILLE IF ANY ADDITIONAL INVESTIGATION  
DESIRED RE INFO FURNISHED IN RE TEL.

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DESIRED RE INFO FURNISHED IN RE TEL.

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532PM URGENT 4/12/68 GJM

TO ALL CONTINENTAL OFFICES  
FROM DIRECTOR 44-38861 IP

MURKIN

EACH OFFICE IS BEING FURNISHED, UNDER SEPARATE COVER,  
PHOTOGRAPHS OF TWO ARTISTS' CONCEPTIONS BASED ON DESCRIPTIONS  
OF UNKNOWN SUBJECT BY WITNESSES IN MEMPHIS AND BIRMINGHAM  
RESPECTIVELY.

THESE PHOTOGRAPHS ARE FOR ASSISTANCE OF AGENTS  
HANDLING THIS INVESTIGATION AND ARE NOT TO BE DISSEMINATED  
OUTSIDE THE BUREAU.

NO INDICATION IS TO BE GIVEN THAT INVESTIGATION IS IN  
CONNECTION WITH THE CAPTIONED CASE.

UNKNOWN SUBJECT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND  
DANGEROUS.

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TO: MEMPHIS (44-1987) AND BIRMINGHAM (44-1740)  
FROM: JACKSONVILLE (44-769)

MURKIN

RE BIRMINGHAM TEL TO JK FOUR ELEVEN LAST.

JOE E. BELL, TWO FIVE THREE SEVEN WYCLIFF, PENSACOLA, FLA.,  
INTERVIEWED FOUR TWELVE LAST. STATES STAYED AT ECONOMY ROOMING  
HOUSE, BIRMINGHAM, ALA., FOR ONE WEEK, SEPT. SIXTYSEVEN. <sup>ATE</sup> ~~ATE~~  
ONLY TWO MEALS AT ROOMING HOUSE, SPENT ALL EVENING AT VETERANS  
HOSPITAL WITH ~~BY~~ING COUSIN. DOES NOT KNOW MAN BY NAME ERIC  
STARVO GALT AS DID NOT MEET, TALK TO, OR RECALL ANY OTHER  
OCCUPANTS AT ROOMING HOUSE.

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1126 PM URGENT 4-12-68 JWD

TO DIRECTOR (44-38861), BIRMINGHAM, JACKSONVILLE, MEMPHIS  
FROM JACKSON (157-9586)

MURKIN.

JEFF RICHARDSON ADVISED THIS DATE THAT APPROXIMATELY  
TWENTY TO TWENTY FIVE YEARS AGO FIRST NAME UNKNOWN GAULT,  
REPEAT GAULT, TRAVELED IN THE RIPLEY, TIPPAAH COUNTY, MISS.,  
AREA, PROCLAIMING HIMSELF A "BLACK SHIRT" AND EXTOLLING  
VIRTUES OF ADOLPH HITLER AND THE NAZI PARTY. FNU GAULT NOT  
BELIEVED TO HAVE HAD CHILDREN WHEN IN MISS.

FNU GAULT IS BROTHER OF EZRA GAULT, WHITE MALE, AGE FIFTY  
FIVE, WHO CURRENTLY RESIDES HIGHWAY NINETY, LAWTEY, OR LAWTON,  
FLORIDA, WHERE ENGAGED IN PULPWOOD AND SAWMILL BUSINESS WITH TOMMY  
TATUM, WHITE MALE, AGE FIFTY FIVE. RICHARDSON, ABOVE, IS BROTHER-  
IN-LAW OF TATUM.

TATUM AND EZRA GAULT FORMERLY RESIDED TIPPAAH COUNTY, MISS.,  
MOVED TWENTY TO TWENTY FIVE YEARS AGO TO BEAR CREEK, ALA.,  
WHERE RESIDED SEVERAL YEARS, THEN MOVED TO LAWTEY, OR LAWTON, FLA.  
EZRA GAULT HAD ONE DAUGHTER, NO SONS.  
END PAGE ONE.

*SA Walsh  
advised.  
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*Covered & reported 4/13  
Thompson telephoned lead  
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BIRMINGHAM, AT BEAR CREEK, ALABAMA, ATTEMPT TO IDENTIFY  
FNU GAULT. ATTEMPT TO DETERMINE ANY FAMILY CONNECTION WITH  
SUSPECT ERIC STARVO GALT.

JACKSONVILLE, AT LAWTEY, FLORIDA, CONTACT EZRA GAULT AND  
TOMMY TATUM RE FNU GAULT IN AN ATTEMPT TO DEVELOP INFO  
RE SUSPECT GALT.

END.

RCM

FBI JACKSVLE

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AIRTEL

TO: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)  
FROM: SAC, NORFOLK (44-268)(P)  
MURKIN  
CR  
OO: MEMPHIS

Re Bureau teletype to All SACs, 4/8/68.

Enclosed for Memphis are two photographs and four negatives of MARVIN RAYMOND DEWEESE.

Enclosed for Birmingham are two photographs of MARVIN RAYMOND DEWEESE.

On 4/8/68, A. D. DINKINS, Manager, Hunton YMCA, Wood and Church Streets, Norfolk, Virginia, which establishment is patronized almost solely by Negroes, advised SA HENRY A. WELKE that a white male registered at this YMCA during the afternoon and the clerk who registered this individual believed he resembled the artist's conception of the one who shot Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. Mr. DINKINS said he was registered in the name of M. R. DEWEESE of Jacksonville, Florida. He was placed in Room 206.

SAs WELKE and LEMUEL W. KERR, after some difficulty in arousing Mr. DEWEESE who was asleep in his room, interviewed him and took photographs of DEWEESE after the interview. DEWEESE furnished the following information concerning himself and his activities during the pertinent period in March and April, 1968:

2-Memphis (Enc. 6)(AM)  
2-Birmingham (Enc. 2)(AM)  
②-Jacksonville (AM)  
1-Norfolk  
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Name	MARVIN RAYMOND DEWEESE
Address	13605 Lanier Road Jacksonville, Florida
Height	6'1"
Weight	200 pounds
Hair	Brown, crewcut
Eyes	Blue
Born	[redacted] Narrows, Virginia
Employment	Unemployed
Military Service	Retired from U. S. Navy, Rate AK-1, NSN 035-20-99, Retired 7/9/65; U. S. Coast Guard Merchant Mariner's Permit Identification Number Z1250478
Social Security #	[redacted]
Scars and Marks	Tattoos - "Evelyn" on upper right arm; "USN 935-20-99" on lower right arm; Smearred tattoo outside right wrist; Tattoo on righthand "13" between thumb and index finger
Marital Status	Married
Present Wife	MARTHA E. BROWN DEWEESE 15370 Lanier Road Jacksonville, Florida
Former Wives	VIOLET ELIZABETH HOWELL, deceased; JOAN NIECE, divorced, whereabouts unknown; BETTY SIMMS, divorced 1956, last known to be residing in Stratford, Connecticut
Parents	DANIEL FRENCH DEWEESE 113 Hale Street Narrows, Virginia; CHERRY MAE DEWEESE Same address
Brothers	DANIEL DEWEESE, age 35 Narrows, Virginia; EVERETT DEWEESE, age 24 Employed Newport News Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Company, Newport News, Virginia;

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**Sisters**

CHARLES DEWEESE, age 19 - 20  
Employed at Newport News  
Shipbuilding and Dry Dock  
Company, Newport News, Virginia  
MARY DEWEESE ADAMS, aka  
Mrs. HOWARD ADAMS  
Richmond, Virginia;  
IDA DEWEESE KESSINGER, aka  
Mrs. DONALD KESSINGER  
Bassett, Virginia;  
CORA DEWEESE CROCKETT, aka  
Mrs. WALTER CROCKETT, JR.  
Narrows, Virginia;  
BARBARA DEWEESE JONES, aka  
Mrs. CHARLES H. JONES  
Newport News, Virginia;  
MARGARET DEWEESE, who is  
married to an unrecalled  
individual, Richmond, Virginia;  
LENA DEWEESE STONE  
Percerville, Virginia

**Education  
Organizational  
Affiliation**

Seventh grade  
American Legion Lodge  
Little Rock, Arkansas.

DEWEESE said he had last worked as a stockroom man for Samsonite Corporation, 1050 South Broadway, Denver, Colorado. His check number was 15370, and he possessed a payroll slip which showed he was paid for the week ending 3/3/68. He said that he left Denver en route to Florida; stopped by Houston, Texas; then to New Orleans; then Mobile, Alabama. Then he went to Jacksonville, Florida. He said he left Denver on 3/2/68. He said he left on a Saturday of the last week he worked. He indicated that the work week at Samsonite ended on Sunday. He said he was married to MARTHA E. BROWN, a widow with two children, and that they were at the Lanier Road address in Jacksonville, Florida. He said he was unemployed at the time and that he had obtained his USCG Merchant Seaman's papers and was attempting to catch a ship out. He said he was a member of the National Maritime Union (NMU), and he was told in Jacksonville that it would be easier to catch a ship through the Norfolk NMU than the Jacksonville NMU. He also advised he took a round

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trip to Baltimore and remained in Baltimore two days staying at the Roosevelt Hotel. That was between the time he arrived in Jacksonville, Florida, and the date he got married, which was 3/18/68. He indicated further that he traveled to Baltimore in his personally-owned automobile, a 1956 Chrysler New Yorker. He also stated that he stayed in Jacksonville, Florida, until Saturday, 4/6/68, at 4:15 PM, when he caught a bus from Jacksonville to Newport News, Virginia, arriving in Newport News on 4/7/68. He indicated he came to Richmond and then transferred to Newport News.

He possessed a card which indicated that he registered in the NMU Hall, Norfolk, Virginia, at 9:04 AM, 4/8/68. He said that when he arrived in Newport News on 4/7/68, he went to his sister's house and stayed with her and her husband, CHARLES H. JONES, 735 Westward Avenue, Hampton, Virginia.

He was observed smoking incessantly, and he said he had been smoking Winston cigarettes for many years. He was observed to have blue eyes and brown hair with a crewcut, which he said he had been wearing since he was 21 years old.

He was very emphatic and positive he had not been in Memphis, Nashville, Birmingham or vicinity during the latter part of March or first part of April, 1968. He was specifically asked if he had been in Birmingham on 3/28 - 30/68, which he indicated he had not. He was also asked about his whereabouts on 4/4/68. He claimed he was in Jacksonville, Florida, during these pertinent periods. He said he was staying with his wife and their two children (his wife's children by another marriage). He said he had never been in Birmingham to his knowledge, and he went to Memphis one time several years ago.

He had in his possession a Navy identification card which indicated that he, MARVIN RAYMOND DEWEESE, was retired from the U. S. Navy on 7/9/65. He also had a Merchant Mariner's Permit Identification Card Number Z1250478. His description was: brown hair; blue eyes; 6'; 200 pounds; born [redacted], Narrows, Virginia; address - 1730 Merivale Road, Jacksonville, Florida.

Mr. DINKINS, Manager, Hunton YMCA, said that Mrs. ANITA ELLIOTT, Day Clerk, was the individual who thought DEWEESE resembled the artist's conception of the assassin.

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At the time of the interview, DEWEESE was cooperative and readily consented to having his photograph taken.

Copies are furnished Jacksonville for information in the event Memphis desires further elimination of DEWEESE.

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Will display photographs of MARVIN RAYMOND DEWEESE to pertinent individuals.

No further action is being taken in connection with MARVIN RAYMOND DEWEESE at this time by Norfolk.

Copies of the interview logs and "Advice of Rights" being maintained in Norfolk file.

4/12/68

AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

TO: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)  
FROM: SAC, JACKSONVILLE (44-769)  
SUBJ: MERKIN  
CR  
(OO: Memphis)

Re Bureau teletype to all continental offices  
dated 4/10/68 re ERIC STARVO GALT.

Jacksonville indices, Florida State Selective  
Service Headquarters, Florida License Bureau, and Florida  
Motor Vehicle records contain no information identifiable with  
ERIC STARVO GALT.

Logical sources including electric companies, city  
and telephone directories, and credit and criminal record  
checks, and all financial institutions conducted in the  
Jacksonville Division with unproductive results concerning  
any references or information identifiable with an ERIC STARVO  
GALT.

Any information of value received by the Jacksonville  
office will be immediately related to Memphis.

Identities of numerous individuals contacted in  
the Jacksonville Division will be retained in the files of  
the Jacksonville office and are not being set forth in the  
interest of economy and efficiency.

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4/11/68

AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

TO: SAC, MEMPHIS  
FROM: SAC, JACKSONVILLE (44-769)  
SUBJECT: MURKIN  
CR  
(OO: Memphis)

On 4/7/68, MICHAEL GARCIA voluntarily appeared at the FBI RA, Gainesville, Fla. and furnished the following information.

GARCIA is a Private E-3, US Army. His serial number is RA 12689051 and he is from Tampa, Florida. He is to report to Ft. Lewis, Washington, on 4/20/68, for shipment to Viet Nam. He will be in Tampa, Fla. until it is time for him to report to Ft. Lewis.

GARCIA's father is MANUEL GARCIA, Attorney, Tampa, Florida.

On Saturday, 3/30/68, GARCIA left Ft. Benning, Ga. en route to Gainesville, Florida, where he was formerly a student at the University of Florida. GARCIA took State Road 26 out of Columbus, Georgia, en route to Interstate 75 at Cordele, Georgia. Several miles out of Columbus on "26", at an isolated spot, he picked up a hitchhiker who claimed he was going to Orlando, Florida. GARCIA described this hitchhiker, who gave his name as JACK or HARRY RUSSELL as follows:

2-Memphis  
1-Tampa (Info)  
1-Miami (Info)  
1-Atlanta (Info)  
2-Seattle (1- 44-MURKIN) (1- 91-2732)  
3-Jacksonville  
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Race	White
Sex	Male
Age	Possibly in 30's or 40's
Height	Approximately 6'
Weight	Approximately 170
Hair	Dark brown or black, streaks of gray
Eyes	Blue or brown, very bright, piercing, and sparkling
Eyebrows	Bushy and dark
Nose	Straight
Teeth	Good
Health	Very healthy looking and agile, walked erect
Marital status	Claimed to have been married at one time
Accent	Nothing noticeable but used good English and appeared well spoken
Characteristics	Had heavy bushy black-brown beard with a little grey
Dress	Light tan trousers, Madras, long sleeved shirt, Dark blue windbreaker, Light tan nylon Thermo jacket, Plain brown shoes with two or three eyelets which he claimed he bought for \$1.25 in a second-hand store and they hurt his feet, size 9 shoe.
Military service	Claims he was in US Air Force in 1947 and received back entry while in the service.

GARCIA advised this individual had a blanket roll which appeared to have some of his belongings inside. The blanket was pastel pink or green in color. He told GARCIA he was a "railtramp" and had arrived in the Columbus, Ga. area from Seattle by way of New Orleans and Birmingham earlier in the week. He talked as if he knew a great deal about train schedules and junctions. He commented a "rail tramp" is hardest kind of individual to catch if he is on the run from

the law as he knows places to hide. He further claimed two Negroes threw him off of a train once causing him to have a concussion and causing his inner ear to fill with blood. He expressed a distinct dislike for Negroes. GARCIA advised that during conversation with this individual he asked GARCIA where he was from. When GARCIA told him he was from Tampa he asked if GARCIA knew anything about the Mafia. GARCIA told him that his father, MANUEL GARCIA, an Attorney, had done some legal work for the TRAFFICANTES in Tampa. He told GARCIA he was going to Orlando to do some work for the Mafia, for which he would receive a new Mercury and \$7000. He told GARCIA upon arrival in Orlando he was to walk up and down a certain street, name unrecalled, in Orlando until someone contacted him. He further stated that from Orlando he was going to Miami after which he would head north through Tennessee, to Idaho, and would feel better when he had a "few G's" in his pocket. He told GARCIA that his job had nothing to do with dope and indicated his job would be done in a week, after when he would be on his way to Idaho. He showed GARCIA a picture which he removed from his billfold of a place where he was going in Idaho. GARCIA recalls this picture showed snow covered mountains and a mountain lake. He claimed he was going to a small camp where he had "laid up" before. GARCIA recalls that he mentioned a waterfall at this place which gave off a spray revealing an image that looked like a reclining woman.

GARCIA advised that this individual appeared to know quite a bit about weaponry and stated that he talked about the AK47, Chinese assault rifle, laser beam, and light anti-tank weapon.

GARCIA advised after arriving in Gainesville he let this individual off on West University Avenue where he claimed he wanted to wash his clothes in a washateria. GARCIA stated that on Sunday, 3/31/68, around noon, he saw this individual hitchhiking on Archer Road toward I-75. He stopped and asked GARCIA if he would give him a ride as far as I-75, but GARCIA was in a hurry and unable to do so. He has not seen this individual since.



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GARCIA stated that he did not give too much thought to the conversation he had with this individual until after the announcement of the assassination of Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. on 4/4/68. He stated after this announcement he began to give thought to the conversation mentioned herein that he had with this individual, particularly to his expressed dislike for Negroes and he also mentioned the Communist element among Negroes and he therefore thought he should report this to the proper authorities.

GARCIA reviewed all the pending identification orders but was unable to make an identification. He was asked to study the identification order of ROBERT BOLIVAR DE PUGH, IO #4176, inasmuch as process is outstanding for DE PUGH in Seattle and the description of the hitchhiker somewhat fits DE PUGH. After closely studying DE PUGH, GARCIA stated he could not state whether or not DE PUGH was identical with the hitchhiker, primarily in view of the fact the hitchhiker had such a full bush beard.

The above information is being submitted for the evaluation of the Memphis Division in connection with captioned matter and for evaluation by Seattle in connection with DE PUGH. Any leads to be set forth is being left to the discretion of the office of origin.

Information copies being sent to Atlanta, Miami, and Tampa, in the event it becomes necessary to request investigation by these offices concerning the individual described herein.

4-12-68

AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

TO: SAC, MEMPHIS  
FROM: SAC, JACKSONVILLE (44-769) (P)  
SUBJECT: MURKIN  
CR  
OO: MEMPHIS

Re Jacksonville airtel to Memphis 4-11-68.

On the evening of 4-11-68, MICHAEL GARCIA telephonically contacted the Gainesville RA advising that he had noted in the "Tampa Times" of 4-11-68 an artist sketch of a man wanted for the murder of MARTIN LUTHER KING. GARCIA stated he sketched a beard on this drawing and advised with the beard the drawing is very similar to the hitchhiker he picked up near Columbus, Georgia, on 3-30-68. He further advised that the straight nose in the drawing is very similar to the hitchhiker's nose.

GARCIA stated he would be leaving for Ft. Lewis, Washington, between 4/18 - 20/68 and until time for him to leave, he will be staying at his parents residence, 4802 Woodmere Road, Tampa, Florida.

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1 - Tampa (Info)  
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