

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, JACKSONVILLE (44-769)

DATE: 4/16/68

FROM : SA ROBERT L. CRONGEYER

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Bureau teletype to all offices dated 4/8/68.

The following investigation was conducted by  
SA ROBERT L. CRONGEYER at Pensacola, Florida, on 4/10/68.

In an effort to obtain information concerning  
a HARVEY LOWMEYER or LOWMYER, the following investigation  
was conducted with negative results:

RUTH COLLINSON, City Voting Registration Records,  
Escambia County Courthouse; VERLA CATES, Credit Bureau of  
Pensacola; Miss SHIRLEY SUGGS, Identification Division,  
Escambia County SO; and THERON WILLIAMS, Identification  
Division, Pensacola, Florida PD.

In addition, a check was made of the 1967 Pensacola  
city directory, the 1968 Pensacola telephone directory, the  
1968 Pace, Florida, telephone directory, the 1968 Gulf  
Breeze, Florida, telephone directory; and the 1968 Cantonment,  
Florida, telephone directory.

Also the records of the Gulf Power Company at  
Pensacola, Florida, were checked, but had no information  
concerning this individual. The above investigation was  
also conducted concerning the name ERIC STARVO GALT, which  
was unproductive. These sources were also contacted for  
SANTA ROSA County, Florida, by SA MICHAEL J. LEYDEN, which  
was also unproductive.

In addition, all laundries in Pensacola, Florida,  
including the Naval Air Station, and Milton, Florida,  
as well as Whiting Field, both in Santa Rosa County were also  
contacted in connection with the location of a thermo seal  
marking machine, manufactured by the Textile Marking Machine  
Company of Syracuse, New York, which would bear the coding  
of the following 02B-6 or D2B-6. All of the laundries  
contacted in the areas mentioned were contacted with negative  
results.



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*mg mg*  
*Walt*  
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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, JACKSONVILLE (44-769)  
Attention: SA THOMAS J. WALSH

FROM : SA GERARD R. HALE

SUBJECT: MURKIN  
CR  
(OO: Memphis)

DATE: 4/16/68

The following investigation was conducted by SA GERARD R. HALE on 4/15/68:

A review of the Alachua County, Levy County, Dixie County and Lafayette County telephone directories disclosed that FRAN's Studio, located in Gainesville, was the only dance instruction studio for adults in this area.

On 4/15/68, Miss K. KESSLER, employee and daughter of FRAN KESSLER, operator of Fran's Studio, advised that she was unable to find a record identifiable with ERIC S. GALT. She advised further that her mother who operates the studio would check further records and contact the Gainesville RA should she locate anything identifiable with GALT.



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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, JACKSONVILLE (44-769) DATE: 4/16/68  
Attention: SA CHARLES J. HONETOR

FROM : SA GERARD R. HALE

SUBJECT: MURKIN  
CR  
(OO: Memphis)

Re Bureau teletype to all offices, 4/8/68.

The following investigation was conducted by SA  
CLAUDE H. MEADOW, JR., at Gainesville, Fla.:

On 4/10/68, FRED CONE, Owner, Ideal Laundry, 517  
SW 2nd Ave., Gainesville, Fla., advised he uses Thermo Seal  
Marking tapes. He advised his code on the tapes is as  
follows:

The first digit is a letter which represents a  
lot number, next number represents the lot order number,  
and the last number represents the customer.

He advised the customer ticket which bears the  
code number as well as the customer's name is held for one  
month and then thrown away.

CONE advised that "02B-6" or "D2B-6" is not one  
of his code numbers.

CONE advised he also owns the Clean-A-Matic  
Laundry, 1717 NW 1st Ave., Gainesville, which uses the same  
system as he does at Ideal. CONE also has a good portion of  
the laundry business out of Bradford County and Gilchrist  
County. He advised that a good deal of the laundry business  
in the other small counties is handled out of Ocala, Fla.

The following investigation was conducted by SA  
GERARD R. HALE: AT CROSS CITY, DIXIE COUNTY AND MAYO, LAFAYETTE CO.

On 4/10/68, Sheriff AL PARKER, Dixie County,  
advised that there were no commercial laundries located  
within Dixie County.

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Sheriff MARVIN WITT, Mayo, Lafayette County, Fla., advised on 4/10/68, that there were no commercial laundries located within Lafayette County.

Both of the above sheriffs advised that all laundry work was handled by route delivery out of the surrounding counties.

AT GAINESVILLE, FLA.

On 4/12/68, the following laundries were contacted with negative results regarding a Thermo Seal tape process:

Airway Dry Cleaners  
WILLIAM S. GLASTER

Launder-it  
ROBERT PHILIPS

S & S Cleaners  
RUBY OWEN

Tropical Shirt Laundry  
HENRY PFEIFFER

Arnold Palmer Cleaners  
TED BOOTH

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Attention: SA CHARLES J. HONETOR

FROM : SA GERARD R. HALE

SUBJECT: MURKIN  
CR  
(OO: Memphis)

DATE: 4/16/68

Re Bureau teletype to all offices, 4/8/68.

The following investigation was conducted by SA  
CLAUDE H. MEADOW, JR., at Gainesville, Fla., on 4/10/68:

A review of the following directories was conducted  
with negative results in the name of HARVEY LOWMEYER:

City Directory of Gainesville

Southern Bell Telephone Directory  
for Alachua County

University of Florida Staff and  
Student Directory

On the same date, HAZEL CARROLL, Clerk, Identification  
Division, Gainesville PD, advised she was unable to locate a  
record identifiable with LOWMEYER.

The following investigation was conducted by SA  
GERARD R. HALE on 4/10/68:

AT DIXIE COUNTY, CROSS CITY, FLA.

Sheriff AL PARKER, Dixie County Sheriff, advised he  
was unable to locate a record identifiable with HARVEY LOWMEYER.

On the same date, Miss RAE UNDERHILL, Registrar's  
Office, Board of Elections, Dixie County, advised she was  
unable to locate a registration identifiable in the name of  
LOWMEYER.

On the same date, LAMAR ROBERTS, Cashier, Dixie  
County State Bank, and Supervisor of the Dixie County Credit



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Bureau, advised he was unable to find any record identifiable with LOWMEYER.

AT MAYO, LAFAYETTE COUNTY, FLA.

Sheriff MARVIN WITT advised he was unable to locate a record identifiable with the name LOWMEYER. Sheriff WITT conducted a search of the Voters Registration List for Lafayette County and advised he was unable to find any record identifiable with LOWMEYER.

AT GAINESVILLE, FLA.

On 4/11/68, LINDA VOGEL, Clerk, Identification Division, Alachua County SO, advised she was unable to locate any record identifiable with LOWMEYER.

On the same date, MARTINA VIRGIN, Vice President, Credit Bureau of Gainesville, Inc., advised she was unable to locate any file identifiable with LOWMEYER.

On the same date, JOY BASS, Clerk, Registrar's Office, Alachua County Board of Elections, advised she was unable to locate any record identifiable with LOWMEYER.

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, JACKSONVILLE (44-769)  
Attention: SA STANLEY A. SPRING

FROM : SA GERARD R. HALE

SUBJECT: MURKIN  
CR  
(OO: Memphis)

DATE: 4/16/68

The following investigation was conducted by SA GERARD R. HALE on 4/11/68, at Gainesville, Fla.:

A review of all Gainesville Directories including current City Directory, Southern Bell Telephone Directory, University of Florida Student and Staff Directories, was conducted with negative results in the name of ERIC STARBO GALT.

On the same date the following organizations were contacted, records checked, with negative results in the name of ERIC STARBO GALT:

Gainesville PD  
by HAZEL CARROLL,  
Clerk,  
Identification Division.

Alachua County SO  
by LINDA VOGEL,  
Clerk,  
Identification Division

Credit Bureau of Gainesville, Inc.  
by MARTINA VIRGIN,  
Vice President.

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921 PM URGENT 4-16-68 DND  
TO DIRECTOR, ATLANTA AND JACKSONVILLE  
FROM MEMPHIS (44-1987)

MURKIN, CR.

RE JACKSONVILLE TELETYPES TWELVE THIRTY THREE P.M., AND  
SIX TEN P.M., APRIL FIFTEEN, LAST.

MR. AND MRS. JAMES H. FORBES, PARENTS OF GORDON FORBES,  
REINTERVIEWED THIS DATE AND CAN SUGGEST NO CAPTAINS OR CREW MEMBERS  
OF RED FIN ONE OR RED FIN TWO, EXCEPT PREVIOUSLY IDENTIFIED BY  
JACKSONVILLE, WHO COULD POSSIBLY ASSIST IN THE IDENTIFICATION OR  
ERIC GAULDEN, AKA., STEVIE, ETC.

MR. FORBES RECALLS AN INDIVIDUAL WHO WAS EMPLOYED FOR A TWO  
TO THREE E. WEEK PERIOD OF TIME AS A COOK APPROXIMATELY FIVE YEARS  
AGO; HOWEVER, HE IS UNABLE TO IDENTIFY THIS INDIVIDUAL BY NAME.  
IDENTITY OF THIS INDIVIDUAL IS KNOWN TO MR. AND MRS. MONTY HAMMOND,  
OPERATORS OF BEACH HOUSE MOTEL, BEL AIR BEACH, FLORIDA. THIS  
PERSON OPERATED THE SNACK BAR ON RED FIN ONE AND MR. FORBES SUSPECTED  
HIM OF TAKING MONEY. A DEPUTY SHERIFF FROM PANAMA CITY ARRESTED THIS  
MAN THE LAST DAY HE WORKED FOR PASSING A TWO TO THREE HUNDRED DOLLAR  
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*SA Bolyard  
advised  
for*

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WORTHLESS CHECK. HAMMOND OBSERVED THIS INDIVIDUAL WORKING ON RED FIN AND TOLD FORBES THAT HE WAS SURPRISED TO SEE THIS MAN COOKING ON A BOAT BECAUSE HE IS A HIGH-TYPE FELLOW WHO USED TO WORK FOR A FINANCE COMPANY IN ARKANSAS, POSSIBLY AT MARIANNA, ARKANSAS. MR. OR MRS. HAMMOND TOLD FORBES THAT THIS INDIVIDUAL HAD ATTENDED COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY. FORBES DESCRIBED THIS UNKNOWN INDIVIDUAL AS A WHITE MALE, THIRTY TO THIRTY FIVE YEARS OF AGE IN SIXTY FOUR, FIVE FEET EIGHT TO TEN INCHES, ONE HUNDRED SIXTY FIVE POUNDS, WITH DARK HAIR, WHOSE SPEECH SHOWED NO ACCENT, BUT INDICATED GOOD EDUCATION. HE TOLD FORBES THAT HE WAS SEPARATED FROM HIS WIFE WHO LIVED IN ALABAMA OR GEORGIA, AND THAT HE WAS SENDING HIS PAY CHECK TO HER.

FORBES SUGGESTED THAT MR. C. C. WALLEY, PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT, PANAMA CITY, FLORIDA, MAY BE ABLE TO IDENTIFY THIS INDIVIDUAL FROM RECORDS AS WALLEY MAINTAINS ALL EMPLOYMENT RECORDS FOR FORBES, WHICH CONSISTS MAINLY OF PAYROLL RECORDS AND QUARTERLY REPORTS FILED WITH IRS.  
END PAGE TWO

PG THREE

JACKSONVILLE AT PANAMA CITY, INTERVIEW HAMMOND RE  
IDENTITY OF INDIVIDUAL REFERRED TO AS COOK FOR FORBES ON RED  
FIN ONE. IF UNABLE TO IDENTIFY HAMMOND REVIEW PERTINENT  
RECORDS IN POSSESSION OF C. C. WALLEY IN AN EFFORT TO LOCATE  
INDIVIDUAL DESCRIBED BY FORBES.

BIRMINGHAM ADVISED BY AIRMAIL.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS. P.

END

CJA

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FBI ATLANTA

9:44URGENT 4-16-68 LCS

TO MEMPHIS 44-1987 AND JACKSONVILLE  
FROM ATLANTA 44-2386

MURKIN

RE MEMPHIS TEL TO ATLANTA APR. TWELVE LAST.

WILLIAM F. MOERLIN, SENIOR SAFETY ENGINEER, BUREAU OF LABOR  
STANDARDS, U. S. DEPT. OF LABOR, ONE THREE SEVEN ONE PEACHTREE  
RD., NE, ADVISED THIS DATE HIS OFFICE KEEPS NO RECORDS OF INDIVIDUALS  
CLAIMING COMPENSATION FOR WORK RELATED INJURIES. MOERLIN ADVISED  
SUCH RECORDS MAINTAINED BY WILLIAM M. O'KEEFE, DEPUTY COMMISSIONER,  
BUREAU OF EMPLOYEE'S COMPENSATION, U. S. DEPT. OF LABOR, FEDERAL  
OFFICE BUILDING, JACKSONVILLE, FLA.

JACKSONVILLE CONTACT O'KEEFE AND REVIEW FILES FOR ANY RECORD  
OF ERIC STARVO GALT, JOHN WILLARD, AND HARVEY LOWMEYER FOR WORK  
RELATED INJURY OR EMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION OR ANY KIND OF MONEY  
SETTLEMENT WHICH MAY HAVE BEEN PAID TO UNSUB USING ABOVE NAMES  
UPON TERMINATION OF EMPLOYMENT CHECKING ALL MARINE RELATED OCCUPATIONS.  
NO INDICATION IS TO BE GIVEN THAT THIS LEAD IS IN CONNECTION WITH  
CAPTIONED CASE.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

END

JLC

FBI JACKSVLE

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*SA Walsh  
advised  
for*

*Conrad  
4/17/68*

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Date 4-11-68

RE: MURKIN

☐ For Information ☐ Retention optional ☒ For appropriate action

☐ The enclosed is for your information. If used in a future report, ☐ paraphrase contents.

☐ Enclosed are corrected pages from report of SA dated \_\_\_\_\_

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Remarks:

Enclosed are photographs of artist conception of unknown subject in this case as described by witnesses in Birmingham and Memphis respectively.

Under no circumstances should anyone be told this investigation is in connection with captioned matter.

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FBI CHARLT

1130 AM URGENT 4-16-68 BSH  
TO DIRECTOR, JACKSONVILLE AND MEMPHIS  
FROM CHARLOTTE (44-1635) 2P

*Sargent  
William D. Willis*

MURKIN

EUGENE HINSON, STAR ROUTE ONE, SHALOTTE, N.C.,  
OWNER AND OPERATOR OF SOUTH SEVENTEEN TRUCK STOP AND  
RESTAURANT, ADVISED APRIL FIFTEEN, LAST, THAT AT APPROXIMTELY  
EIGHT P.M. ON APRIL THIRSD, LAST, A WHITE MALE  
INDIVIDUAL ABOUT THIRTY YEARS OLD, FIVE FEET EIGHT INCHES,  
ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY-FIVE POUNDS, BLACCK HAIR, DARK YELLOWISH  
COMPLEXION, STOCKY BUILD, APPEARED AT RUCK STOP AND ORDERED  
FOOD TO TAKE OUT. THIS INDIVIDUAL WAS ALONE AND DRIVING OLD  
MODEL PONTIAC, BEARING NINETEEN SIXTY EIGHT FLORIDA LICENSE  
TWO W ONE FOUR ZERO SEVEN ONE.

*Case  
assigned  
Walt*

UNKNOWN SUBJECT WHILE AT RESTAURANT MADE LONG-DISTANCE  
PHONE CALL TO PHILADELPHIA, PENN., COLLECT, NUMBER NOT KNOWN,  
AND TALKED FOR APPROXIMATELY FORTY-FIVE MINUTES. DURING  
CONVERSATION THIS INDIVIDUAL WAS OVERHEARD TO RELATE THAT HE  
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REMARKED "I'LL BE CAREFUL."

THIS INDIVIDUAL ON PARKING CAR TRIED TO PAR IN A  
POSITION WHERE LICENSE NUMBER COULD NOT BE OBSERVED. WILL  
BE NOTED THAT DOCTOR MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. WAS SCHEDULED  
TO SPEAK AT WILMINGTON, N.C., THE NIGHT OF APRIL FOUR, LAST,  
BUT PLANS CHANGED DUE TO CONDITIONS IN MEMPHIS, TENN.  
POSSIBILITY EXISTS THIS INDIVIDUAL PLANNING TO BE AT  
WILMINGTON, N.C., HAD KING APPEARED THERE.

NORTH CAROLINA HIGHWAY PATROL RADIO DETERMINED NINETEEN  
SIXTY EIGHT FLORIDA LICENSE TWO W ONE FOUR ZERO SEVEN ONE  
ISSUED FOR A NINETEEN FIFTY SIX PONTIAC COUPE.  
WILLIAM D. WILLIS, NINE ZERO TWO NINTH STREET, JACKSONVILLE,  
BEACH, FLA. *not ident w/ 44-1693*

JACKSONVILLE, AT JACKSONVILLE, FLA., CONDUCT APPROPRIATE  
INVESTIGATION RE WILLIS AND DETERMINE HIS WHEREABOUTS  
APRIL FOUR, LAST

CORRECTION PAGE TWO LINE 3 WORD 8 SHOULD BE "PARK"  
END.

PAGE 2 LINE 12 AND 13 FIRST WORDS WERE OVERLAPPED

PLS RPT FIRST WD ONLY

FIRST WORD OF LINE 12 SHOULD BE IS ISSUED THERE SHOULD BE A  
TO AT THE END OF LINE 12 WHICH OVERLAPPED IS ISSUED.

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FBI JACKSVLE

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Via \_\_\_\_\_  
(Priority)

TO: SAC, ATLANTA (44-2386); MEMPHIS (44-1987)

FROM: SAC, JACKSONVILLE (44-769)

MURKIN

*Bureau Labor*  
*RE: ATLANTA Tel To Memphis 4/16 last re ~~Bureau~~ file review on*  
 SUSPECT; ERIC STARVO GALT; SUSPECT JOHN WILLARD;  
~~SUSPECT HARVEY~~ LOWMEYER OR LOWMYER

RECORDS BUREAU OF EMPLOYEE'S COMPENSATION,  
 U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, JACKSONVILLE, COVERING  
 STATES OF GEORGIA, FLORIDA, AND SOUTH CAROLINA; FLORIDA  
 INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION, COMPENSATION DIVISION, TALLAHASSEE,  
 COVERING STATE OF FLORIDA; AND ADMIRALITY CLAIMS, JACK-  
 SONVILLE DIVISION, MDF, WERE CHECKED FOR INFORMATION  
 CONCERNING SUSPECTS WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

WILLIAM M. O'KEEFE, DEPUTY COMMISSIONER, BUREAU  
 OF EMPLOYEE'S COMPENSATION, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR,  
 SUGGESTED CONTACT WITH THE SOUTHEASTERN INDEX BUREAU,  
 SIX FIFTY TRUST COMPANY OF GEORGIA BUILDING, ATLANTA,  
 GEORGIA, SINCE ALL INSURANCE CLAIMS OF INDEPENDENT  
 INSURANCE COMPANY FOR SOUTHEASTERN AREA ARE CLEARED  
 THROUGH THIS ORGANIZATION.

ATLANTA CONTACT SOUTHEASTERN INDEX BUREAU.

A &amp; D.

CJH:mfm  
 (1) *[initials]*

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Special Agent in Charge

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 Sent *4:30 PM* *[initials]*

Per *[initials]*

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Date: 4/17/68

Transmit the following in \_\_\_\_\_  
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(Priority)

TO: PHILADELPHIA  
DIRECTOR (MAIL)

FROM: JACKSONVILLE (44-769)

MURKIN.

RE CHARLOTTE TELETYPE TO DIRECTOR AND JACKSONVILLE  
APRIL SIXTEEN LAST REGARDING SUSPECT WILLIAM D. WILLIS.

REFERENCED TELETYPE ADVISED EUGENE HINSON, STAR ROUTE  
ONE, SHALOTTE, N. C., OWNER AND OPERATOR OF SOUTH SEVENTEEN  
TRUCK STOP AND RESTAURANT, ADVISED APRIL FIFTEEN LAST THAT  
AT APPROXIMATELY EIGHT PM ON APRIL THIRD LAST, A WHITE MALE  
INDIVIDUAL ABOUT THIRTY YEARS OLD, FIVE FEET EIGHT INCHES,  
ONE HUNDRED SEVENTYFIVE LBS., BLACK HAIR, DARK YELLOWISH  
COMPLEXION, STOCKY BUILD, APPEARED AT TRUCK STOP AND ORDERED  
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OLD MODEL PONTIAC, BEARING NINETEEN SIXTYEIGHT FLORIDA LICENSE  
TWO W ONE FOUR ZERO SEVEN ONE.

UNKNOWN SUBJECT WHILE AT RESTAURANT MADE LONG DISTANCE  
PHONE CALL TO PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA, COLLECT, NUMBER

1 - Bureau (Airmail)  
1 - Charlotte (Airmail)  
1 - Memphis (Airmail)

① - Jacksonville

TJW:cdh

Approved: *[Signature]*  
Special Agent in Charge

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NOT KNOWN, AND TALKED FOR APPROXIMATELY FORTYFIVE MINUTES. DURING CONVERSATION, THIS INDIVIDUAL WAS OVERHEARD TO RELATE THAT HE HAD PLENTY OF AMMUNITION AS WELL AS A SAWED OFF SHOTGUN AND REMARKED, "I'LL BE CAREFUL."

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NORTH CAROLINA HIGHWAY PATROL RADIO DETERMINED NINETEEN SIXTYEIGHT FLORIDA LICENSE TWO W ONE FOUR ZERO SEVEN ONE IS ISSUED FOR A NINETEEN FIFTYSIX PONTIAC COUPE, WILLIAM D. WILLIS, NINE ZERO TWO NINTH STREET, JACKSONVILLE, BEACH, FLA.

INVESTIGATION JACKSONVILLE BEACH REFLECTS WILLIAM D. WILLIS RESIDED NINE ZERO TWO FOURTEENTH AVE., SOUTH, JACKSONVILLE BEACH, FLA. PAST SEVENTEEN MONTHS. LANDLADY STATES WILLIS IN U. S. NAVY ASSIGNED "USS SARATOGA", DOCKED PHILADELPHIA, PA. WILLIS LEFT APRIL TWO LAST WITH WIFE AND

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TWO CHILDREN, DRIVING FIFTYSIX PONTIAC, WHITE TOP, BLUE BOTTOM,  
ENROUTE PHILADELPHIA WITH THIRTY DAYS LEAVE. WILLIS DESCRIBED  
WM, FORTY YEARS OF AGE, FIVE FEET EIGHT INCHES, ONE HUNDRED  
FORTY LBS., MEDIUM BUILD, DARK BROWN HAIR. FORWARDING  
ADDRESS MM ONE, A-FOUR DIVISION, USS SARATOGA, CVA SIXTY,  
FPO NEW YORK, NEW YORK

PHILADELPHIA DETERMINE WILLIS WHEREABOUTS PERTINENT  
PERIOD.

BLIND:

INVESTIGATION CONDUCTED BY SA JOSEPH J. RUCCI, JR.  
INFORMATION OBTAINED FROM A. A. COLLINS, NINTH STREET, SOUTH,  
JACKSONVILLE BEACH LANDLORD AND JACKSONVILLE BEACH UTILITIES  
COMPANY.

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Date: 4/17/68

Transmit the following in PLAIN TEXT  
(Type in plaintext or code)Via TELETYPE URGENT  
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR (44-38861), MEMPHIS (44-1987) AND ATLANTA  
FROM: JACKSONVILLE (44-769)

MURKIN.

RE MEMPHIS TEL TO DIRECTOR, JACKSONVILLE AND ATLANTA APRIL  
SIXTEEN LAST, RE SUSPECT AT PANAMA CITY, FLA.

MRS. RUTH W. HAMMOND, [REDACTED], MANAGER OF BEACH HOUSE MOTEL,  
PANAMA CITY, FLA. ADVISED THAT INDIVIDUAL DESCRIBED BY MR. AND  
MRS. FORBES AT MEMPHIS AS WORKING ON A FISHING BOAT IN PANAMA CITY  
FIVE YEARS AGO IS ROY ROGERS, WM, LATE THIRTIES, FIVE FEET TEN,  
DARK EYES, DARK HAIR, SLENDER BUILD FIVE YEARS AGO. ROGERS  
ATTENDED CASTLE HEIGHTS MILITARY ACADEMY IN LEBANON, TENN., IN THE  
FORTIES. MRS. HAMMOND BELIEVED HE ATTENDED "OLE MISS" OR  
MISSISSIPPI STATE. WIFE'S NAME JEAN AND BELIEVED SHE ATTENDED  
MISSISSIPPI STATE AND WAS FROM NORTH MISSISSIPPI. ROY ROGERS WAS  
AN ONLY CHILD, FATHER DECEASED AND MOTHER ILL FIVE YEARS AGO WITH  
CANCER AND MAY NOW BE DECEASED. ROY ROGERS NOT IN PANAMA CITY  
AREA FOR LAST FIVE YEARS. CURRENT WHEREABOUTS UNKNOWN. HAMMOND  
STATES ARTIST SKETCHES NO RESEMBLANCE TO ROGERS.

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CREDIT BUREAU, MARIANNA, FLA., ADVISED A FILE DATED EIGHT TWENTYFIVE SIXTYONE, REFLECTED ROY MC PHERSON ROGERS, WIFE JEAN, FORMER ADDRESS ONE ONE SEVEN FLORENCE DRIVE, MARIANNA, FLA., AGE THIRTYONE IN NINETEEN SIXTY, TWO CHILDREN, EMPLOYMENT ASSOCIATE DISCOUNTS CORP. AS AN ADJUSTOR, IN NINETEEN FIFTYSEVEN - NINETEEN SIXTYONE. FORMER EMPLOYMENT IN BAINBRIDGE, GA. WIFE'S HOME LISTED AS STARKVILLE, MISS. (HOME OF MISSISSIPPI STATE UNIVERSITY). NO RECENT CREDIT INQUIRIES.

BAY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE NEGATIVE RE ROGERS. INVESTIGATION CONTINUING TO DEVELOP FURTHER BACKGROUND ON ROY MC PHERSON ROGERS AT PANAMA CITY, FLA.

UNSUB CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.



## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date April 10, 1968

Mr. ROSALIE STELL, Innkeeper, Holiday Inn Motel, Williston, Florida, advised that her records reflect that ALVIN FRENCH, first checked in at that motel on February 29, 1968, and left on March 5, 1968. She stated that FRENCH's present whereabouts are believed to be Memphis, Tennessee, where he was staying at the Holiday Inn, Southeast Memphis, Tennessee, U. S. Highway 78. She stated that she has in her possession a Holidex ( a teletype used by the Holiday Inns ) from the Holiday Inn, Southeast Memphis, advising that they had a DICK T. FRENCH registered there at this time and that FRENCH had registered there on March 30, 1968. She further stated that this Holidex indicated that it was the only FRENCH at that motel in either the months, March or April.

She further stated that FRENCH appeared to have a liking for her desk clerk, GLORIA GEIGER, but that they were absolutely not romantically connected. She stated that Miss GEIGER had never given FRENCH any indication of any affection for him but that FRENCH appeared to have an attraction for her.

STELL further stated that FRENCH unexpectedly appeared on March 30th, asking for GEIGER, but due to the fact that GEIGER was not working, left and that he has not been seen since.

On 4/8/68 at Williston, Florida File # JK 44-769 -125  
by SA JOSEPH J. STUMPF, JR. JJS /vlp Date dictated 4/10/68

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date April 10, 1968

GLORIA GEIGER, Desk Clerk, Holiday Inn Motel, Williston, Florida, advised that she had known ALVIN FRENCH only due to the fact that she was the desk clerk at that motel. She stated that she had actually only talked to him three or four times and that this was strictly during the course of business. She stated that she was aware that FRENCH had a liking for her but that there was no connection between them.

GEIGER stated that she could offer no information other than that furnished by Mrs. STELL with regards to the present whereabouts of FRENCH.

On 4/8/68 at Williston, Florida File # JK 44-769 -126  
by SA JOSEPH J. STUMPF, JR. JJS /vlp Date dictated 4/10/68

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# Memorandum

: SAC ( 44-769 )

DATE: 4/15/68

FROM : SA JAMES R. MORRISON

SUBJECT: MURKIN  
CR

ReButel to all offices 4/14/68 requesting investigation dance studios and schools.

The following investigation was conducted at Jacksonville, Fla by SA JAMES R. MORRISON on 4/15/68.

The persons named at the dance studios listed all advised their studios either taught only children or that they have not had a student( adult) or teacher named ERIC STARVO GALT, HARVEY LOWMYER or JOHN WILLARD.

DOROTHY WARREN WILLARD, Dorothy Warren Willard School of Dancing, 1951 Stinson---negative.

GLORIA VAUGHN, Gloria Vaughn School of Dance, 2914 University Blvd West---negative.

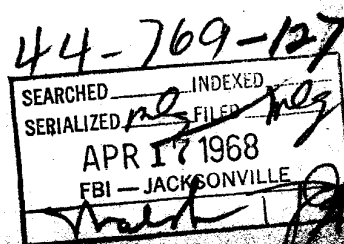
Mrs ELIZABETH SULICK, Sulick School of Ballet, 5650 Weller Ave---teaches only children.

PHYLLIS PICKERS, Phyllis School of Dance, 3720 Emerson Ave---negative.

PHIL PHILLIPS, Phil Phillips Dancing Arts, 2130 Kings Ave---negative.

Mrs MERVYN W. RICHARD, Mervyn's School of Dance, 3224 Hendricks Ave---only teaches children.

TRUDI SIGMAN, Orange Park School of Dance, 461 Kingsley Ave, Orange Park, Fla.--negative.



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FBI NEW YORK

1214 PM URGENT 4/17/68 JAM

TO DIRECTOR, JACKSONVILLE, LITTLE ROCK, NEW ORLEANS AND MEMPHIS  
FROM NEW YORK 44-1609 3P

MURKIN; CIVIL RIGHTS; OO-MEMPHIS

RE NEWARK TEL TO BUREAU, NEW YORK AND MEMPHIS DATED APRIL  
FIFTEEN LAST.

RE (FIRST NAME UNKNOWN) GALT OR GAULT, EMPLOYED BY THE  
UNITED FRUIT COMPANY, NEW YORK CITY, AS SEAMAN.

RECORDS OF UNITED FRUIT COMPANY CHECKED AND NEGATIVE  
FOR ANYONE UNDER NAME GALT. FOLLOWING FORMER EMPLOYEES,  
WITH LAST NAME GAULT LOCATED IN COMPANY RECORDS:

MALCOLM A. GAULT, U.S. MERCHANT MARINER'S ID NUMBER  
Z SEVEN SEVEN THREE NINE FOUR ONE, DATE OF BIRTH,   
, JONESVILLE, SOUTH CAROLINA.

LAST LISTED ADDRESS, EIGHT FOUR ZERO CONTI STREET, POST  
OFFICE BOX TWO SIX EIGHT THREE, NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA.

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OTHER ADDRESSES LISTED AS POST OFFICE BOX TWO FOUR TWO ONE,  
NEW ORLEANS; POST OFFICE BOX ONE THREE NINE FOUR, MEMPHIS,  
TENNESSEE; AND POST OFFICE BOX TWO SIX EIGHT THREE, LAWIEY,  
FLORIDA. NEXT OF KIN WAS LISTED AS COLON M. GAULT, FATHER,  
HORNSBY, TENNESSEE; AND PAULINE TURNER, SISTER, POST OFFICE  
BOX ONE FOUR NINE FIVE JACKSON, TENNESSEE, AND HORNSBY, TENNESSEE.

MALCOLM A. GAULT IS IDENTICAL WITH FELLOW EMPLOYEE  
REFERRED TO BY ALBERT LEVY IN RE TELETYPE IN CONNECTION  
WITH SHIP S.S. ESPARTA. GAULT RETIRED JULY THIRD,  
NINETEEN SIXTY THREE.

SUMPTER E. GAULT, U.S. MERCHANT MARINER'S ID NUMBER  
Z NINE FIVE NINE TWO THREE ONE-DI, DATE OF BIRTH,

[REDACTED], IN ARKANSAS, WAS SHOWN  
TO LAST RESIDE AT ONE NINE ONE ONE WEST EIGHTEENTH  
STREET, NORTH LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS. HIS NEXT OF KIN SHOWN  
AS RULDE, MOTHER, SAME ADDRESS. CONNECTED WITH UNITED  
FRUIT COMPANY AND SHIP VERAGUA DURING MAY AND JUNE,  
NINETEEN FIFTY EIGHT.

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ROBERT GAULT, DATE OF BIRTH, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED], CONNECTED WITH UNITED FRUIT COMPANY, AS  
MERCHANT MARINE DURING NINETEEN FORTY TWO. ONLY LISTED  
ADDRESS THREE NINE-SIX EIGHT FIFTY NINTH STREET, WOODSIDE,  
LONG ISLAND, NEW YORK.

IN VIEW OF SIMILAR NAME TO SUSPECT ERIC STARVO GALT,  
AND MARINE BACKGROUND, RECEIVING OFFICES ARE TO INTERVIEW  
PERSONS ABOVE LISTED AS RESIDING IN THEIR FIELD TERRITORY  
IN AN EFFORT TO DETERMINE IF POSSIBLY AS RELATIVE OF PRIME  
SUSPECT. DUE TO AGES OF ABOVE SEAMEN APPARENTLY NOT IDENTICAL  
WITH SUSPECT.

UNSUB SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

AIR MAIL COPY (INFO) TO NEWARK.

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FBI WASH DC

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TO ALL SACS

FROM DIRECTOR

MURKIN

*Hicklin*  
*The Times*  
*WJT - ch. 9*  
*John Brucher*  
*John Thomas*  
*WFGA - ch. 12*  
*Dan Deane*  
*Wood Nelson*  
*Bob Meldrum*  
*Have Bradley*  
*WKS - ch. 12*

THE FOLLOWING PRESS RELEASE WAS ISSUED AT WASHINGTON, D.C.,  
AT FIVE FORTYFIVE P.M. THIS AFTERNOON. YOU ARE AUTHORIZED TO RELEASE  
AT SIX P.M. EASTERN STANDARD TIME. ALTHOUGH IT IS REALIZED THE  
WIRE SERVICES WILL CARRY THE FULL TEXT, YOU SHOULD IMMEDIATELY  
CONTACT THE LEADING NEWSPAPERS AND RADIO AND TV STATIONS IN  
YOUR DIVISION TO INSURE IT RECEIVES IMMEDIATE WIDESPREAD DISTRIBUTION.  
YOU ARE ALSO AUTHORIZED TO IMMEDIATELY MAKE AVAILABLE TO  
ALL MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES COPIES OF THE TWO PHOTOGRAPHS ALREADY  
IN YOUR POSSESSION. THE DESCRIPTIVE DATA ON THE BACKS OF  
THESE PHOTOGRAPHS SHOULD BE DELETED. PHOTOGRAPH NUMBER  
ONE WITH EYES CLOSED SHOULD CARRY THE CAPTION, "ERIC STARVO  
GALT, ALSO KNOWN AS HARVEY LOWMYER AND JOHN WILLARD." PHOTOGRAPH  
NUMBER TWO SHOULD CARRY THE CAPTION, "ERIC STARVO GALT,  
ALSO KNOWN AS HARVEY LOWMYER AND JOHN WILLARD (EYES DRAWN IN  
BY FBI ARTIST)." YOU ARE AUTHORIZED TO REPRODUCE LOCALLY

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**ADDITIONAL PHOTOGRAPHS AS REQUIRED. YOU SHOULD ATTEMPT TO  
INSURE THAT THIS RELEASE AND PHOTOGRAPHS RECEIVE REPEATED  
COVERAGE BY RADIO AND TV STATIONS. YOU ARE TO MAKE NO ELABORA-  
TION WHATSOEVER REGARDING THIS RELEASE.**

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

APRIL 17, 1968

ATTORNEY GENERAL RAMSEY CLARK ANNOUNCED TODAY THAT ERIC STARVO GALT IS BEING SOUGHT BY THE FBI AS A FUGITIVE ON A FEDERAL CHARGE ARISING FROM THE FATAL SHOOTING OF THE REVEREND DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., IN MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE, ON APRIL 4, 1968.

DIRECTOR J. EDGAR HOOVER STATED THAT A FEDERAL COMPLAINT WAS FILED BY THE FBI IN BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA, TODAY CHARGING GALT WITH CONSPIRING TO VIOLATE THE CIVIL RIGHTS OF DR. KING IN VIOLATION OF TITLE 18, SECTION 241, OF THE UNITED STATES CODE.

THE FBI COMPLAINT CHARGES THAT "ON OR ABOUT MARCH 29, 1968, AT BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA, ...ERIC STARVO GALT AND AN INDIVIDUAL WHOM HE ALLEGED TO BE HIS BROTHER, ENTERED INTO A CONSPIRACY WHICH CONTINUED UNTIL ON OR ABOUT APRIL 5, 1968, TO INJURE, OPPRESS, THREATEN, OR INTIMIDATE MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.,... IN THE FREE EXERCISE OR ENJOYMENT OF A RIGHT SECURED TO HIM BY THE CONSTITUTION OR LAWS OF THE UNITED STATES; NAMELY, THE RIGHT TO FREELY TRAVEL FROM STATE TO STATE. IN FURTHERANCE OF THIS CONSPIRACY, ERIC STARVO GALT DID, ON OR ABOUT MARCH 30, 1968, PURCHASE A RIFLE AT BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA..."

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ACCORDING TO MR. HOOVER, A 30.06 RIFLE EQUIPPED WITH A TELESCOPIC SIGHT WAS FOUND NEAR A ROOMING HOUSE ON SOUTH MAIN STREET IN MEMPHIS IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE FATAL SHOOTING OF DR. KING OCCURRED. THE ROOMING HOUSE OVERLOOKS THE LORRAINE HOTEL AND MOTEL WHERE DR. KING WAS STAYING.

MR. HOOVER SAID THAT FBI AGENTS DETERMINED THAT THE 30.06 RIFLE HAD BEEN PURCHASED FROM A GUN DEALER IN BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA, ON MARCH 30, 1968. THE TELESCOPIC SIGHT ALSO WAS PURCHASED FROM THIS DEALER.

THE FBI DIRECTOR SAID THAT GALT, WHO HAS USED THE NAMES OF JOHN WILLARD AND HARVEY LOWMYER IN THE PAST, IS THE OWNER OF A 1966 WHITE MUSTANG BEARING ALABAMA LICENSE PLATES WHICH WAS LOCATED ABANDONED IN ATLANTA, GEORGIA, ON APRIL 11, 1968. INVESTIGATION DISCLOSED THAT GALT PURCHASED THIS CAR FROM A PRIVATE CITIZEN IN BIRMINGHAM ON AUGUST 30, 1967. THE MUSTANG'S ODOMETER SHOWED THAT IT HAD BEEN DRIVEN MORE THAN 19,000 MILES BETWEEN LATE AUGUST, 1967, AND EARLY APRIL, 1968.

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ACCORDING TO MR. HOOVER, GALT'S TRAVELS IN THE MUSTANG INCLUDED TRIPS TO LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA; NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA; BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA; AND MEXICO, AS WELL AS TO MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE, AND ATLANTA, GEORGIA. GALT WAS REPORTED TO HAVE BEEN IN MEMPHIS ON APRIL 3 AND 4, 1968, AND TO HAVE DEPARTED FROM THERE FOR ATLANTA.

INTENSIVE INVESTIGATION BY THE FBI HAS DISCLOSED THAT GALT HAS CLAIMED TO HAVE BEEN EMPLOYED AS A COOK ON MISSISSIPPI RIVER VESSELS AND AS A MERCHANT SEAMAN. HE IS SAID TO BE AN AVID DANCER AND TOOK DANCING LESSONS IN NEW ORLEANS IN 1964 AND 1965; IN BIRMINGHAM DURING SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER, 1967; AND IN LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA, FROM DECEMBER, 1967 TO FEBRUARY, 1968.

GALT LEFT LOS ANGELES ON DECEMBER 15, 1967, AND DROVE HIS WHITE MUSTANG TO NEW ORLEANS, WHERE HE CLAIMED HE CONTACTED EITHER AN ENGINEERING OR A CONTRACTING FIRM. HE LEFT NEW ORLEANS ON DECEMBER 19TH AND ARRIVED BACK IN LOS ANGELES ON DECEMBER 21, 1967.

WHILE IN THE LOS ANGELES AREA EARLY THIS YEAR, GALT TOOK A COURSE AT A SCHOOL OF BARTENDING AND WAS GRADUATED ON MARCH 2, 1968.

THE FUGITIVE IS DESCRIBED AS WHITE MALE. HE IS APPROXIMATELY 5 FEET 8 INCHES TO 5 FEET 11 INCHES TALL AND WEIGHS BETWEEN 160 AND 175 POUNDS. HE IS SAID TO BE A NEAT DRESSER AND HAS A MEDIUM BUILD.

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GALT HAS BROWN HAIR, WHICH HE WEARS IN A "BRUSH" CUT. HE REPORTEDLY HAS BLUE EYES; HIS NOSE IS STRAIGHT AND NARROW; HIS TEETH ARE STRAIGHT AND CLEAN; AND HE HAS GIVEN HIS DATE OF BIRTH AS .

THE FUGITIVE IS SAID TO HAVE A NERVOUS HABIT OF OCCASIONALLY PULLING AT AN EAR LOBE WITH HIS HAND. HIS LEFT EAR PROTRUDES FARTHER FROM HIS HEAD THAN HIS RIGHT EAR.

ACCORDING TO MR. HOOVER, PERSONS WHO HAVE MET GALT DESCRIBE HIM AS A "LONER" AND STATE HIS LANGUAGE AND DICTION HAVE A "RURAL" QUALITY AND SUGGEST THAT HE PROBABLY DOES NOT HAVE A HIGH DEGREE OF EDUCATION. HE IS SAID TO DRINK ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AND HAS A PREFERENCE FOR VODKA AND BEER. HE IS A FAN OF WESTERN AND COUNTRY MUSIC.

GALT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS. ANY INFORMATION CONCERNING HIM SHOULD BE FURNISHED IMMEDIATELY TO THE NEAREST FBI OFFICE.

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FBI WASH DC  
747PM GJM URGENT 4/17/68 SAA  
TO ALL SACS  
FROM DIRECTOR 44-38861

MURKIN

THE PHOTOGRAPHS FURNISHED YOUR OFFICES OF ERIC STARVO  
GALT BY ROUTING SLIP FOUR SIXTEEN LAST CONTAIN THE  
COMPOSITE DESCRIPTION OF SUBJECT AS FURNISHED BY VARIOUS  
WITNESSES. THE PHOTOGRAPH WITH THE EYES CLOSED IS THE  
ACTUAL PHOTOGRAPH AS TAKEN IN MARCH SIXTY-EIGHT. THE  
PHOTOGRAPH WITH THE EYES OPEN IS THE SAME PHOTOGRAPH IN  
WHICH THE EYES HAVE BEEN DRAWN IN BY AN ARTIST.

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(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR (44-38861)  
FROM: SAC, MIAMI (44-1854) (P)  
SUBJECT: MURKIN  
CR  
(OO: Memphis)

Re Tampa teletype to the Bureau, Memphis and Birmingham dated 4/10/68, and Tampa teletype to Bureau, Memphis, Atlanta, Jacksonville and Miami dated 4/15/68.

INVESTIGATION REGARDING INDIVIDUAL OBSERVED  
AT EATONVILLE AND ORLANDO, FLORIDA, 4/7 AND 8/68.

A. J. STROUDMIER and CHARLES TITUS, Greyhound Bus drivers, who made runs from Orlando to Miami, Florida, on 4/8/68, interviewed Miami, Florida. Neither driver recalls seeing unidentified white male as described in referenced teletype of 4/15/68 on their Orlando to Miami runs on 4/8/68.

Artist's conceptions of unknown subject as described by witnesses in Birmingham and Memphis exhibited to both drivers and they were unable to recognize either drawing.

SUSPECT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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Transmit the following in \_\_\_\_\_  
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(Priority)

TO: SAC, JACKSONVILLE (44-769)  
 FROM: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987) (P)  
 SUBJECT: MURKIN  
 CR

(00: Memphis)

Re Jacksonville tel to Memphis 4/12/68.

On 4/12/68, Mrs. HAZEL GODWIN, Shelby County Court Clerk's Office, Memphis, Tenn., advised IC JAMES W. BRADY that 1967 Tenn. license AT5351, registered to CHARLES F. HOLSTE, JR., 507 Tonto Road, Memphis, for a 1963 Mercury.

On 4/15/68, CHARLES F. HOLSTE, JR., 507 Tonto Road, Memphis, advised SA EUGENE G. DOUGLASShe formerly owned a 1963 Mercury, 1967 Tenn. license AT5351. He advised he sold instant Mercury about six months ago to Mrs. KATE CASTEEL of Kennett, Mo.

HOLSTE advised his wife supposedly removed his Tenn. license from the Mercury and disposed of these license plates but he did not know what she did with them. He advised she operates the Ranch House Cafe, Cabot, Ark.

He stated that BILLY CASTEEL, 489 Tonto Road, Memphis, is the son of Mrs. KATE CASTEEL, and it was through BILLY CASTEEL that he sold his Mercury to Mrs. CASTEEL.

Airtel \_\_\_\_\_ He recalls seeing a 1959 blue and white Pontiac at BILLY CASTEEL's home, which car belonged to Mrs. KATE CASTEEL, prior to buying HOLSTE's Mercury.

Teletype \_\_\_\_\_

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On 4/16/68, BILLY LOUIS CASTEEL, 489 Tonto Road, Memphis, advised SA DOUGLASS that a 1959 Pontiac Star Chief, white over blue, was formerly the property of his mother, Mrs. KATIE LOU CASTEEL, Kennett, Mo., who works at the Stake House Restaurant. He stated when his mother purchased a 1963 Mercury from HOLSTE she signed the title of the 1959 Pontiac over to him and he had a Tenn. Title for this car.

Subsequently, he sold the 1959 Pontiac Star Chief, white over blue, VIN 459K1182, to RAY JEAN BREWER for \$250. He stated BREWER made no downpayment and still owes him for the car. He advised BREWER had been visiting in Memphis with him and BREWER is formerly from Morrilton (phonetic), Mo., possibly Marston, Mo., which town is located near Hayti, Mo.

He advised he sold BREWER the Pontiac without a license plate and he could not understand how BREWER obtained the old license plates of HOLSTE other than they could have possibly been left in the Mercury or in the Pontiac, described above.

He stated that after BREWER left town, he, CASTEEL, discovered his billfold missing and he now has reason to believe BREWER stole his billfold. He stated he has not made a complaint to the Memphis PD at this time but would possibly do so.

He stated that on the night of April 15, 1968, he had telephonically contacted RAY JEAN BREWER, telephone 623-8183, Milton, Fla.

He described BREWER as follows:

Race	White
Sex	Male
Height	5'7"
Weight	155
Build	Stocky
Hair	Light brown
Eyes	Blue

He stated he did not believe BREWER was wanted by any authorities in Memphis.

**ME 44-1987**

On 4/16/68, Lt. ROBERT L. FRANKLIN, Identification Division, Memphis PD, and Captain A. C. GILLESS, Identification Division, Shelby County SO, Memphis, advised SA DOUGLASS their records contained no information re BREWER.

The Memphis Office has not been able to determine any known connection with captioned case or suspect GALT.

It is requested if the Jacksonville Office at Milton, Fla., develops any information concerning RAY JEAN BREWER it be furnished to Memphis.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, JACKSONVILLE (44-769)

FROM : ASAC JAMES J. O'CONNOR

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 4/18/68

RAY FAISST, SAC, El Paso, called at 1:00 pm, to advise his office had been contact by Mrs. HARLEY HARROLD (PROTECT) in El Paso who stated one DAVID HAWKINS, whom she knew during her Army service in Frankfort, Germany, during the period 1955-57 and who fits the description of GALT, called her last night from New Orleans and stated he was driving to El Paso and that he was in some trouble and would tell her about it when he arrived.

Mrs. HARROLD states HAWKINS lived with a brother, BERNARD HAWKINS, RFD 1, Box 18, Wellborn, Fla., who has a cattle ranch located at Box 612, Live Oak.

Her records also show HAWKINS lived, during the 1957-58 period, at 1098 N. E. 34th Court, Ft. Lauderdale.

FAISST suggested direct contact with BERNARD HAWKINS to determine where DAVID HAWKINS was during the above period and thereafter a call to St. Louis if additional background could be obtained for a search of Army records. He suggested also a check of BMV, Tallahassee, for possible background. He stated he would confirm this with a teletype.

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FBI EL PASO

1152 AM 4-18-68 URGENT JPM

TO DIRECTOR AND SACS JACKSONVILLE, ST. LOUIS, MIAMI AND  
MEMPHIS (ATTN: INSPECTOR JOSEPH A. SULLIVAN)

FROM EL PASO (157-186) "P" 3P

MURKIN.

RE SUSPECT DAVID (NMI) HAWKINS.

MRS. HARLEY HERRALD, NINE SEVEN FOUR CORNELIUS STREET, EL PASO, TEXAS (PROTECT IDENTITY), ADVISED THAT AT SIX THIRTY-FIVE PM APRIL SEVENTEEN, SIXTY-EIGHT, SHE RECEIVED A PERSON TO PERSON TELEPHONE CALL FROM ONE DAVID (NMI) HAWKINS. HERRALD SAID SHE KNEW HAWKINS WHEN BOTH IN ARMY IN GERMANY FIFTY-FIVE THROUGH FIFTY-SEVEN, AND HAD BEEN CORRESPONDING WITH HIM BY MAIL SINCE THAT TIME. DURING CALL HAWKINS SAID HE WAS "ON THE RUN" AND WAS LEAVING NEW ORLEANS MORNING OF APRIL EIGHTEEN, SIXTY-EIGHT, AND WOULD ARRIVE EL PASO, TEXAS, IN TWENTY-FOUR HOURS. HERRALD ASKED HAWKINS WHAT HE WAS ON THE RUN FROM AND HE REPLIED "YOU MIGHT SAY FROM THE FAMILY". WHEN ASKED IF HE WAS IN TROUBLE, HAWKINS REPLIED "I WILL TELL YOU WHEN I GET THERE". MODE OF TRANSPORTATION NOT KNOWN, BUT ASSUMED TO BE AUTOMOBILE.

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HERRALD SAID HAWKINS IS ABOUT FORTY YEARS OF AGE AND CLOSELY FITS DESCRIPTION OF KING ASSASSIN. HAWKINS UNDERWENT PSYCHIATRIC TREATMENT IN FLORIDA FOLLOWING RELEASE FROM ARMY FIFTY-SEVEN OR FIFTY-EIGHT. REASON FOR TREATMENT NOT KNOWN BY HERRALD. HERRALD SAID CIRCUMSTANCES OF CLOSE RESEMBLANCE IN DESCRIPTION, PAST PSYCHIATRIC PROBLEMS, AND FACT THAT HAWKINS SAID HE WAS ON THE RUN INDICATED THE POSSIBILITY THAT HE IS KING ASSASSIN.

SINCE RELEASE FROM ARMY IN LATE FIFTY-SEVEN OR EARLY FIFTY-EIGHT HAWKINS HAS RESIDED WITH BROTHER, BERNARD HAWKINS AT RFD NO. ONE, BOX EIGHTEEN, WELLBORN, FLORIDA. HERRALD RECEIVED LETTER FROM HAWKINS POSTMARKED WELLBORN, FLORIDA, FEBRUARY TEN, LAST. HERRALD SAID DURING NINETEEN FIFTY-FIVE THROUGH NINETEEN FIFTY-SEVEN, HAWKINS WAS A SERGEANT FIRST CLASS IN THE REGULAR ARMY STATIONED AT HEADQUARTERS COMPANY, SEVENTY EIGHT ELEVENTH ARMY SERVICE UNIT IN FRANKFURT, GERMANY, AND WAS IN THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S CORP. HE IS BELIEVED TO HAVE SERVED IN KOREA PRIOR TO THAT TIME. HERRALD DESCRIBED HAWKINS AS A WHITE MALE, AGE APPROXIMATELY FORTY, FIVE FOOT NINE TO FIVE FOOT TEN, SANDY BROWN HAIR, SLIGHT BUILD, ONE FORTY TO ONE SIXTY POUNDS, LONG POINTED NOSE, POSSIBLY WEARS GLASSES. HERRALD NOTED THAT WITH EXCEPTION

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OF AGE THIS WAS, AS SHE KNEW HIM TWELVE YEARS AGO IN GERMANY.

SUSPECT HAWKINS REPORTEDLY LIVED WITH HIS BROTHER WITH EXCEPTION OF AROUND NINETEEN FIFTY-SEVEN THROUGH NINETEEN FIFTY-EIGHT WHEN HE WAS RECEIVING PSYCHOANALYSIS TREATMENT AND AT THAT TIME RESIDED AT ONE ZERO NINE EIGHT NORTHEAST THIRTY-FOURTH COURT, FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA. MIAMI IMMEDIATELY MAKE APPROPRIATE INQUIRIES INCLUDING CHECK OF CREDIT, CRIMINAL AND LOCAL VA HOSPITAL RECORDS AND COORDINATE WITH JACKSONVILLE.

JACKSONVILLE IMMEDIATELY ATTEMPT TO LOCATE FLORIDA DRIVERS LICENSE FOR DAVID HAWKINS AT TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA, AND OBTAIN THEREFROM DATE OF BIRTH. JACKSONVILLE WILL ALSO MAKE APPROPRIATE INQUIRIES AT WELLBORN, FLORIDA, TO DETERMINE WHEREABOUTS DURING THE PERTINENT PERIODS OF THIS CASE. SUGGEST DIRECT APPROACH TO BROTHER IF POSSIBLE. JACKSONVILLE WILL FURNISH HAWKINS' DATE OF BIRTH TO ST. LOUIS SO APPROPRIATE SEARCH OF ARMY PERSONNEL RECORDS MAY BE MADE TO OBTAIN ADDITIONAL BACKGROUND CONCERNING HAWKINS.

JACKSONVILLE AND ST. LOUIS SHOULD FURNISH THE BUREAU WITH ALL AVAILABLE IDENTIFYING DATA CONCERNING HAWKINS INCLUDING DATE AND PLACE OF BIRTH AND ARMY SERIAL NUMBER SO THAT THE BUREAU CAN MAKE APPROPRIATE SEARCH OF THE IDENTIFICATION DIVISION RECORDS.

ALL LEADS IN THIS MATTER SHOULD BE HANDLED BY TELEPHONE AND EL PASO IMMEDIATELY ADVISED OF RESULTS, AS HAWKINS ARRIVAL IN EL PASO IS IMMINENT.

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RE NEW YORK TELETYPE TO BUREAU, ET AL, APRIL SEVENTEEN,  
LAST; JACKSON TELETYPE TO JACKSONVILLE APRIL TWELVE, LAST.

RE MALCOM A. GAULT, US MERCHANT MARINER.

MALCOM A. GAULT, AGE SIXTYNINE, RESIDING LAWTEY, FLORIDA,  
WITH BROTHER, EZRA GAULT. TWO OTHER BROTHERS IN FAMILY,  
EVERETT, WHO RESIDES VALLEY ROAD, MERIDIAN, MISSISSIPPI,  
AND HAS TWELVE OR THIRTEEN CHILDREN, NAMES UNKNOWN. OTHER  
BROTHER, CURTIS, RESIDES IN LOUISIANA, ADDRESS UNKNOWN, HAS  
ONE SON, BILLY, AGE ABOUT THIRTYONE. NAME ERIC STARVO GALT  
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J. H. BEARDSLEY, SIXTYSIX WEST THIRTY SECOND STREET, JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA, ADVISED THAT HE BELIEVED WHITE MALE DRIVING GOLD SPORTS CAR, FLORIDA TAG THREE E - FOUR EIGHT SEVEN ZERO IN JACKSONVILLE, ON APRIL FIFTEEN, LAST, VERY SIMILAR IN APPEARANCE TO PHOTO OF ERIC STARVO GALT, APPEARING ON TELEVISION. INDIVIDUAL PASSED AT A HIGH RATE OF SPEED ON EXPRESSWAY. LATER OBSERVED HIM IN SEVEN - ELEVEN STORE AT WHICH TIME INDIVIDUAL THREW UP HANDS AND SAID, "YOU GOT ME." ABOVE TAG REGISTERED TO HERTZ CORPORATION, TWO FOUR FOUR NINE NORTHWEST SHORE BOULEVARD, TAMPA, FLORIDA, FOR SIXTYEIGHT MERCURY TWO DOOR HARDTOP.

TAMPA ASCERTAIN DRIVER OF ABOVE AUTO AND DETERMINE IF IDENTICAL TO GALT.

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Mrs. NORMAN (GEORGIA M.) DAVIS, 733 Cecil Avenue, Louisville, Kentucky, was interviewed at her residence. She furnished the following information:

She is a Kentucky State Senator from the 33rd District of Louisville, Kentucky. She is also a Board member and Chairman of the Finance Committee of the Kentucky Christian Leadership Conference (KCLC) which is affiliated with the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC).

Mrs. DAVIS in the company of Mrs. LUKIE WARD and Rev. A.D. WILLIAMS KING of Louisville, Kentucky, were in Memphis, Tennessee at the Lorraine Motel on April 4, 1968. Their purpose was to participate in a march scheduled in Memphis, Tennessee for April 5, 1968, to be led by the late Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. Mrs. DAVIS volunteered the following as background data concerning the activities of herself, Mrs. WARD and Rev. A.D. WILLIAMS KING immediately prior to their visit to Memphis, Tennessee.

On March 23, 1968, Mrs. DAVIS and Mrs. WARD left Louisville, Kentucky, traveling in Mrs. WARD's Cadillac automobile, to go to Florida for a vacation. On the night of March 23, 1968, they stayed at a Holiday Inn Motel near Birmingham, Alabama, possibly located on Highway 31. The next day they drove to Florida where they stayed at a Howard Johnson Motel in the vicinity of Fort Walton Beach. On March 25, 1968, they drove to Panama City, Florida, where they rented kitchenette #4 of the Treasures Island Motel which was operated by BUD HASTINGS and his wife FRANCES. These individuals also owned the nearby Sunglow Motel. When Mrs. DAVIS and Mrs. WARD occupied kitchenette #4 at the Treasures Island Motel, no other individuals were occupying the motel.

On April 1, 1968, Rev. A.D. WILLIAMS KING of Louisville flew to Panama City and was met at the airport by Mrs. WARD and Mrs. DAVIS, and on that date, he occupied the kitchenette

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next to #4 at the Treasures Island Motel believed to be #5.

About 9:30 a.m., April 3, 1968, Mrs. WARD, Mrs. DAVIS and Rev. KING left Treasures Island Motel in Mrs. WARD's automobile for the purpose of going to Memphis, Tennessee, to participate in the scheduled April 5, 1968, march. Mrs. WARD left some of her clothing in kitchenette #4 at the Treasures Island Motel as she planned to return to the motel after the march for further vacationing. Mrs. DAVIS does not believe that the owners of the motel, the HASTINGS, knew at the time Mrs. DAVIS and her companions left the motel that they were going to Memphis, but the HASTINGS did know that Mrs. WARD planned to return in a few days to the motel.

Mrs. DAVIS later learned that when Mrs. WARD, because of the death of Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, decided not to further vacation in Florida and had flown to Panama City on April 6, 1968, to obtain the remainder of her clothing, that Mr. and Mrs. HASTINGS had expressed some displeasure to Mrs. WARD about having as guests Mrs. WARD, Mrs. DAVIS and Rev. A.D. WILLIAMS KING. Mrs. DAVIS believed the HASTINGS originally came from Birmingham and recalled that Rev. A.D. WILLIAMS KING used to pastor a church there.

Mrs. DAVIS and Mrs. WARD and Rev. KING arrived in Memphis, Tennessee from Panama City, Florida, and registered at the Lorraine Motel at about 1 a.m., April 4, 1968. Rev. KING and Mrs. DAVIS did the registering and Mrs. DAVIS occupied Room 201 and Mrs. WARD Room 207.

Immediately upon their arrival at the Lorraine Motel, Mrs. WARD, Mrs. DAVIS and Rev. A.D. WILLIAMS KING started making inquiry of other guests at the motel as to the whereabouts of Rev. KING's brother, Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING. He could not be located at the motel and HOSEA WILLIAMS remarked that Dr. KING was at a strategy meeting at a church, the name of which Mrs. DAVIS recalls as the Church of the Minimal Salary (Phonetic). Mrs. WARD, Mrs. DAVIS and Rev. KING then went to the church but Dr. KING was not there. Rev. ANDREW YOUNG and some other people, identities not known to Mrs. DAVIS but appearing to be possibly local pastors and ministers, were holding a meeting at the church. A man called "CABBAGE" was speaking at the meeting when Mrs. DAVIS and her companions arrived,

but Mrs. DAVIS and her companions did not stay at the meeting upon learning Dr. KING was not there. Mrs. DAVIS and her companions went to a smaller room in the church where they met Rev. JESSE JACKSON from Chicago, Illinois and conversed with Rev. JACKSON for a few minutes.

Mrs. DAVIS and her companions thereafter returned to the Lorraine Motel arriving about 3 a.m., and the three of them went to Room 207. Here they conversed among themselves with the door to the motel room open for about an hour or an hour and a half at which point Mrs. DAVIS happened to observe a taxi cab, identity not recalled, arriving at the motel and to depart from the cab Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, Rev. RALPH ABERNATHY, and Rev. BERNARD LEE. Mrs. WARD immediately went out and invited the three individuals into Room 207. Doctor KING and his companions joined Mrs. DAVIS and her companions in Room 207. After approximately five minutes Revs. ABERNATHY and LEE left the room, presumably to go to their own rooms. Mrs. DAVIS, Mrs. WARD, Dr. KING and Rev. KING remained in Room 207 until about 5 a.m. when Dr. KING left, advising he was going to Room 306.

During the conversation by the above individuals in Room 207 no one made any mention of indication that they were fearful of any attempt being made that day on Dr. KING's life.

After Dr. KING left Room 207, Mrs. DAVIS also left the room and went to Room 201. About one-half hour later, Dr. KING came to Room 201 and visited with Mrs. DAVIS for about an hour, the talk consisting of general matters, Mrs. DAVIS remembering specifically that during this time she mentioned to Dr. KING that Miss KATHERINE PEDIN of Kentucky was running for U.S. Senator from Kentucky, and Dr. KING indicated he had met Miss PEDIN as she had interviewed him as a member of the President's Commission on Civil Disorders. Also during this visit Mrs. DAVIS told Dr. KING that in view of the march in Memphis, Tennessee having been rescheduled from April 5 to April 8, 1968, Mrs. DAVIS would probably not remain in Memphis over the weekend, but would return to Louisville. However, Dr. KING asked that before Mrs. DAVIS made a final decision he would like to talk to her further about this but that he had to leave as he had a strategy meeting planned in Room 306 at 8 a.m., April 4, 1968, and he anticipated he would re-contact

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her about her decision about noon, April 4, 1968.

Shortly after Dr. KING left Room 201, Mrs. WARD joined Mrs. DAVIS in Room 201 where they had coffee and conversed until about noon when Mrs. WARD left. About 1 p.m. or 1:30 p.m. Dr. KING returned to Room 201 and advised Mrs. DAVIS that he needed to relax for a short while and left Room 306 so as not to be bothered unless important matters occurred. From Room 201 Dr. KING phoned Room 306 and spoke with Rev. LEE advising Rev. LEE as to his whereabouts and informed Rev. LEE he did not want to be disturbed unless it was an important matter. While in Room 201 on this occasion Dr. KING made several phone calls using a credit card. Mrs. DAVIS recalls that Dr. KING phoned his secretary, DORA McDONALD, in Atlanta, Georgia, and also made a call to New York, identity of person called not specifically remembered by Mrs. DAVIS, but possibly being a STAN LEVINSON (phonetic) or a (First Name Unknown) WACHTEL (phonetic) as Mrs. DAVIS had heard Dr. KING speak of these individuals.

Thereafter as Dr. KING was just dialing his mother in Atlanta, Georgia, Rev. A.D. WILLIAMS KING came into Room 201 and Dr. KING and Rev. A.D. WILLIAMS KING conversed with their mother telephonically for a few minutes. About 45 minutes later Revs. ABERNATHY and LEE came to Room 201 and Mrs. DAVIS then phoned Mrs. WARD and invited her to Room 201. Mrs. WARD did come to Room 201.

Shortly after Mrs. WARD's arrival in Room 201, Mrs. WARD left to pick up some cleaning for Mrs. DAVIS at a laundry and dry cleaning store, name not recalled, located at Beale and Third Streets in Memphis. Mrs. WARD had taken the cleaning to this location earlier on April 4, 1968, for Mrs. DAVIS, probably about 10 a.m. and as Mrs. DAVIS recalls, she had been accompanied on that occasion by Rev. A.D. WILLIAMS KING.

During the absence of Mrs. WARD from Room 201, CHAUNCEY ESKRIDGE, the attorney from Chicago, and Rev. ANDREW YOUNG, came to Room 201. Mrs. WARD returned from her visit to the laundry very shortly thereafter, making a total of eight individuals in the room. The above eight individuals conversed generally until about 5:45 p.m., when Dr. KING announced that he was going to dinner at the home of Rev. BILLY KYLES in Memphis and he invited Mrs. DAVIS to join him for dinner at the Reverend's home. She advised him that she would need

about 15 minutes or so to freshen up and he stated he would go to his room and freshen up and wait for her. Mrs. DAVIS had just completed her preparation for leaving for dinner because she recalled that she was standing in front of a mirror with her raincoat on taking a last look as to her appearance when she heard a shot. She was stunned for just an instant but then immediately went outside the room and heard someone yell Dr. KING had just been shot. She looked up towards Room 306 and saw what she is convinced were Dr. KING's feet on the balcony protruding slightly over the edge. There was considerable confusion and panic and police arrived almost immediately. Mrs. DAVIS cannot be entirely certain of immediate events following, but as she recalls Rev. JACKSON was in the motel courtyard at the time she went out of Room 201 as was Mrs. WARD. Mrs. DAVIS immediately proceeded up to where Dr. KING was lying and remained in that vicinity until Dr. KING was taken away in an ambulance which Mrs. DAVIS estimates was approximately 10 minutes after she had heard the shot.

Mrs. DAVIS can recall no incident which she observed after coming out of Room 201 after the shot had been fired which she feels has any bearing on ascertaining the identity of the individual responsible for the shot.

After Dr. KING had been taken from the motel in an ambulance, Mrs. DAVIS recalls that Rev. JACKSON was in the courtyard and gave a press statement. Thereafter Mrs. DAVIS went to the motel office where she found Mrs. WARD who was ordering coffee. Then Mrs. DAVIS and a man Mrs. DAVIS recalls as a HAROLD MILLER, possibly a local minister from Memphis or Atlanta, went to Room 207 to advise Rev. A.D. WILLIAMS KING of the shooting of his brother. Rev. KING was asleep and they did not succeed in awakening him. Thereafter Mrs. WARD came to Room 207 and Mrs. DAVIS and the man she believes was named MILLER left the room.

Later on the night of April 4, 1968, possibly around 8:30 p.m. someone, Mrs. DAVIS did not know who, felt that Mrs. WARD, Mrs. DAVIS and Rev. A.D. WILLIAMS KING should not spend the remainder of that night at the Lorraine Motel and Mrs. DAVIS recalls packing her clothes and the three of them going out to the home of Rev. KYLES. After arrival at this home, it was decided again by someone not known to Mrs. DAVIS that Rev. KING would remain at Rev. KYLES that evening but that

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Mrs. WARD and Mrs. DAVIS should spend the evening at a Howard Johnson Motel in Memphis. Mrs. WARD and Mrs. DAVIS together with individuals not now recalled went to the Howard Johnson Motel where Mrs. WARD registered for the two of them, but the plans again changed as Mrs. DAVIS recalls HOSEA WILLIAMS indicated that Mrs. DAVIS and her companions should return to the Lorraine Motel for the evening. Mrs. WARD and Mrs. DAVIS were then driven in Mrs. WARD's car by an unknown individual back to the Lorraine Motel where they entered Room 201. A short time later Rev. KYLES brought Rev. A.D. WILLIAMS KING back to the motel at which point Mrs. WARD left Room 201. Mrs. DAVIS spent the remainder of the night by herself in Room 201.

On Friday morning, April 5, 1968, Rev. A.D. WILLIAMS KING left the Lorraine Motel to go to the airport to meet the wife of Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING who was arriving in Memphis on that morning.

Mrs. WARD and Mrs. DAVIS left Memphis, Tennessee, about 9 a.m., April 5, 1968, and drove to Atlanta, Georgia.

Mrs. DAVIS advised that during her stay in Memphis, on April 4 - 5, 1968, she personally had received no threats against her life nor does she have any knowledge of anyone at the Lorraine Motel being specifically threatened on that occasion.