

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : RA'S, SPRINGFIELD, TOPEKA, WICHITA and DATE: 5/8/68
JOPLIN

FROM : SAC (44-760) P

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Enclosed herewith are three copies of two additional photographs of JAMES EARL RAY.

For your information a news release with the photograph of RAY as it appeared on the wanted flyer was mailed to approximately 550 newspapers in the area covered by Kansas City Office, on 5/7/68.

By teletype dated, 5/7/68, the Bureau has instructed that these two additional photographs also be released to news media in this area and 550 copies are being mailed to the newspapers in this area; however, it is suggested that the ones enclosed be distributed to the television stations in your area to give us greater coverage.

The photograph of RAY in the dark glasses and sport shirt was taken during the year of 1967, in Mexico. The other photograph was taken in either January 1968 or February 1968, in California.

- 2 - Springfield (Enc. 6)
- 2 - Topeka
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Date: 5/10/68

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(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR 44-38861, MEMPHIS, AND LITTLE ROCK

FROM: KANSAS CITY 44-760

MURKIN

RE LITTLE ROCK TEL MAY SEVEN LAST.

WARDEN, MO. STATE PENITENTIARY, ADVISED NO PSYCHIATRIC EVALUATION OF RUSSELL LEE MARTIN WAS MADE AT MO. STATE PEN. HOWEVER, HE REMEMBERS THE INDIVIDUAL AND HAD A NOTATION ON HIS FILE WHICH READ AS FOLLOWS: "THIS INDIVIDUAL HAS NO INTEGRITY WHATSOEVER, TOLD TRUTH ONLY WHEN IT WOULD SERVE HIS PURPOSES. HE IS COMPLETELY UNRELIABLE." THE WARDEN STATED HE DID AT ONE TIME FURNISH HIM INFO RE ANOTHER PRISONER USING AMPHETAMINES, HOWEVER, THIS DID NOT RESULT IN BREAKING UP A NARCOTICS RING, AND THE WARDEN AGAIN STATED THAT HE WOULD PUT NO RELIABILITY IN ANYTHING MARTIN TOLD HIM.

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(1)Approved: KW
Special Agent in ChargeSent Me-1126A
WA-1128A
OR-1130A MPer ja

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Airtel

To: SAC's, Miami (44-1854) - Enclosures (3)
Memphis (44-1987)

From: Director, FBI (44-38861)

MURKIN

Re Miami airtel 5/2/68, submitting two boat rental agreements, Q317 and Q318, and three credit card invoices, Q319 through Q321, for examination.

Four latent fingerprints of value were developed on the boat rental agreement dated 9/2/67, Q317. No latent impressions of value developed on remaining items.

The four latent fingerprints on Q317 are not identical with the fingerprints of James Earl Ray, FBI #405942G, or with latent fingerprints previously reported in this case.

Q317 through Q321 enclosed to Miami.

Laboratory reporting separately.

1 - Atlanta (44-2386)

① - Kansas City (44-760)

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FBI ST LOUIS

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TO: DIRECTOR (44-38861), KANSAS CITY (44-760), AND
MEMPHIS (44-1987)
FROM: ST. LOUIS (44-775) 1P

MURKIN

RE KANSAS CITY AIRTEL, MAY SIX, LAST. *56298*
ENCLOSURE REGARDING WALTER E. NOLAN FROM MSP WITH *released 5/11/68*
REFERENCED COMMUNICATION DID NOT INCLUDE CHRONOLOGICAL DATA
now - come to know summary & only one page
SHEET, DIAGNOSTIC CENTER REPORT, OR PAGES OTHER THAN PAGE ONE OF
CLASSIFICATION SUMMARY, AND ANY INFORMATION POSSIBLY IN HIS
FILE REGARDING ASSESSMENT BY CLASSIFICATION COMMITTEE; RELATIVE
CORRESPONDENCE AND VISITING LIST NOT INCLUDED.

KANSAS CITY, FURNISH SAME FOR ASSISTANCE IN EVALUATING
NOLAN'S ANSWERS AND REACTIONS IN ANTICIPATED RE-INTERVIEW.

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FBI BIRMGHAM

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TO DIRECTOR, ATLANTA, MEMPHIS, KANSAS CITY, ST. LOUIS
FROM BIRMINGHAM 44-1740

MURKIN.

REMYTEL MAY ONE LAST.

JAMES W. BROWN REINTERVIEWED MAY NINE LAST AND FURNISHED FOLLOWING:

BROWN MET RAY THROUGH RAY'S "PERSONAL FRIEND," JOHNNIE VALENTI, SHORTLY AFTER ASSASSINATION OF JOHN F. KENNEDY. BROWN WAS DOING TWENTY YEAR SENTENCE FOR MURDER AFTER CONVICTION IN KANSAS CITY, MO., VALENTI WAS DOING TWENTY YEAR SENTENCE FOR ROBBERY AFTER CONVICTION IN KANSAS CITY. ACCORDING TO BROWN, VALENTI AND BROWN WERE IN KANSAS CITY JAIL AT SAME TIME (BUT DIFFERENT TANKS), PRIOR TO BEING SENT TO JEFFERSON CITY, MO. AT TIME OF FIRST MEETING, RAY WAS INVOLVED IN POKER GAME IN THE PRISON YARD. BROWN CLAIMS HE OBSERVED RAY ON MORE THAN ONE OCCASION DEAL CARDS LEFT-HANDED. VALENTI INTRODUCED RAY TO BROWN AS "JAMES RAY" BUT EVERYONE CALLED HIM "RAY". AT LATER TIME VALENTI TOLD BROWN THAT HE, VALENTI, AND RAY HAD COMMITTED A ROBBERY
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OF AN OIL COMPANY IN ATLANTA, GA., PRIOR TO VALENTI'S ARREST IN KANSAS CITY ON ANOTHER ROBBERY CHARGE. VALENTI CLAIMED HE AND RAY HAD WATCHED AN OIL COMPANY FOR A WEEK BEFORE COMMITTING THE ROBBERY ABOUT MIDNIGHT. BROWN BELIEVES VALENTI SAID IT WAS A ROBBERY, BUT THAT IT COULD HAVE BEEN A BURGLARY. BROWN SAID HE WAS SURE VALENTI IDENTIFIED ATLANTA AS THE PLACE OF THE ROBBERY BECAUSE LATER VALENTI TOLD BROWN THAT VALENTI'S WIFE WAS THEN (LATE SIXTYTHREE AND EARLY SIXTYFOUR) LIVING IN ATLANTA, WITH THEIR THREE CHILDREN, THE OLDEST OF WHOM WAS KILLED IN AN AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT IN SIXTYFOUR. ABOUT SAME TIME VALENTI'S WIFE QUIT WRITING TO VALENTI AND EFFORTS OF VALENTI THROUGH THE CATHOLIC CHAPLAIN TO HAVE WIFE RESUME WRITING, WERE NEGATIVE. AT TIME OF MEETING RAY, RAY WAS LIVING IN C HALL, WHILE VALENTI AND BROWN WERE LIVING IN G HALL. VALENTI ALSO CLAIMED TO BROWN THAT AT TIME OF ARREST IN KANSAS CITY, VALENTI HAD THE NAME OF A KANSAS CITY GANGSTER (NAME NOT GIVEN BY VALENTI), IN HIS POSSESSION WHICH HAD BEEN GIVEN TO HIM BY AN ASSOCIATE, UNNAMED, IN NEW ORLEANS, AND VALENTI WAS QUESTIONED EXTENSIVELY BY KCPD AS TO HIS CONNECTIONS WITH THIS GANGSTER. VALENTI TOLD BROWN HE HAD RELATIVES IN BATON ROUGE, LA.

IN ALL HIS CONTACTS WITH RAY, BROWN WAS WITH VALENTI, AND
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SOMETIMES OTHER PRISONERS WERE PRESENT, NAMES UNRECALLED, OTHER THAN POSSIBLY "NOONEY" EDEN OR EATON (PH), FROM C HALL. RAY AND BROWN NEVER HAD ANY INVOLVED CONVERSATIONS, BUT BROWN WAS PRESENT ON ABOUT FOUR OCCASIONS WHEN RAY AND VALENTI WOULD DISCUSS THINGS. AMONG ITEMS DISCUSSED WAS ESCAPE BY EACH. RAY SAID HE WOULD RUNNEL OUT OF THE PRISON IF NECESSARY AND GO TO LIBERIA WHERE HE HAD A BROTHER-IN-LAW MAKING GOOD MONEY. NO OTHER INFORMATION RECALLED ABOUT ALLEGED BROTHER-IN-LAW. ON ANOTHER OCCASION RAY SAID HE KNEW A CAVE IN VIRGINIA WHERE HE COULD HIDE ONCE HE ESCAPED. CONCERNING THE KENNEDY ASSASSINATION, VALENTI ONCE SAID TO RAY THAT VALENTI DID NOT BELIEVE ANYONE SHOULD KILL THE PRESIDENT, BUT RAY SAID HE, RAY, WOULD HAVE DONE IT HIMSELF, IF HE WOULD HAVE HAD THE CHANCE, AND THAT KENNEDY WAS "NOTHING BUT A DAMN CATHOLIC." ACCORDING TO BROWN, RAY WAS VERY ANTI-CATHOLIC AND ANTI-NEGRO. ON ANOTHER OCCASION IN LATE SIXTYTHREE, BROWN CLAIMED HE OVERHEARD RAY SAY TO VALENTI THAT HE, RAY, WAS GOING TO GET OUT OF THE PEN, AND THAT RAY KNEW A GUY NAMED "COLLEY" (PH) WHO WOULD HIDE RAY WHERE NO ONE WOULD FIND HIM. ALSO THIS COOLEY WOULD PAY TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS TO ANYONE WHO WOULD KILL MARTIN LUTHER KING. RAY WAS AWARE THAT BROWN CAME FROM ALABAMA, BUT DID NOT TALKE TO HIM

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ABOUT ANY TOWNS IN ALABAMA, EXCEPT THAT BIRMINGHAM WAS A GOOD TOWN TO STEAL IN, AND THAT RAY HAD STOLEN A CAR IN BIRMINGHAM, BEFORE GETTING SENT TO THE MISSOURI PEN.

11 CREDIBILITY OF BROWN HAS NOT BEEN ESTABLISHED TO DATE, AND IT HAS BEEN NOTED HE HAS FURNISHED CONFLICTING INFORMATION ABOUT THE PERSONAL HABITS OF RAY, SUCH AS RAY BEING LEFT-HANDED, WALKING PIGEON-TOED AND SMOKING WINSTON CIGARETTES. IT IS ALSO NOTED THAT IN FIRST INTERVIEW, BROWN CLAIMED RAY HATED KENNEDY BECAUSE HE WAS A 'NIGGER-LOVING SOB," WHEREAS THIS TIME BROWN CLAIMED RAY HATED KENNEDY BECAUSE HE WAS A CATHOLIC. BROWN CLAIMED HE DID NOT KNOW RAY'S RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION. BROWN CLAIMS HE KNEW NOTHING OF ANY LOTTERIES BEING OPERATED IN THE PRISON, NOR OF ANY ORGANIZATION OF PRISONERS WHO WOULD COLLECT DEBTS, AND ACT AS A PROTECTIVE AGENCY FOR THE PRISONERS. HE CLAIMED COOLEY WAS AN INDIVIDUAL WHOSE NAME WAS MENTIONED ONLY BY RAY AND HE NEVER HEARD THIS NAME MENTIONED BY ANY OTHER PRISONER. BROWN ALSO STATES THAT "A" HALL WAS FOR NEGRO PRISONERS, WHEREAS THOMAS BRITTON (SEE MYTEL OF MAY NINE LAST) HAD CLAIMED "A" HALL WAS FOR TRUSTEES.

11 ALL RECEIVING OFFICES ADVISE BIRMINGHAM IF JOHNNIE VALENTI HAS BEEN LOCATED AND INTERVIEWED. IF SO, SUTEL BIRMINGHAM RESULTS OF THIS INTERVIEW.

KANSAS CITY, AT JEFFERSON CITY, MO., FROM PRISON RECORDS,
FURNISH FOLLOWING:

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IDENTITY OF PRISONER "NOONEY" EDEN PH OR EATON, WHO, IN LATE SIXTYTHREE, WAS DOING FIVE YAEAR SENTENCE. IF IDENTIFIED, SET OUT LEAD TO HAVE HIM INTERVIEWED FOR HIS KNOWLEDTGE OF RAY AND VERIFICATION OF INFORMATION RECEIVED FROM THOMAS BRITTON AND/OR JAMES W. BROWN. ASCERTAIN FROM RECORDS RE VALENTI, IF HE, OR HIS WIFE AND CHILDREN, EVER LIVED IN ATLANTA, AND IF HIS OLDEST CHILD WAS KILLED, AS CLAIMED BY BROWN. IF THIS INFORMATION VERIFIED, SET OUT LEADS TO HAVE WIFE LOCATED AND INTERVIEWED FOR ANY INFORMATION SHE HAS RE ASSOCIATION BETWEEN HER HUSBAND, JOHNNIE VALENTI, AND RAY, AND IF THEY WERE INVOLVED IN ROBBERY OF OIL COMPANY IN ATLANTA, PRIOR TO VALENTI'S IMPRISONMENT IN JEFFERSON CITY. IN EFFORT TO VERIFY BROWN'S INFORMATION, ASCERTAIN IF RAY RESIDED IN "C" HALL IN LATE SIXTYTHREE, AND IF AT THAT TIME, RAY WAS WORKING IN THE LICENSE PLATE FACTORY. FROM RECORDS OF KANSAS CITY PD, ASCERTAIN IF BROWN AND VALENTI WERE IN CUSTODY AT SAME TIME, AND IF AT TIME OF VALENTI'S ARREST, THERE WAS SOME INFORMATION HE HAD CONNECTION WITH WELL KNOWN KANSAS CITY "GANGSTER." KANSAS CITY ALSO FURNISH BIRMINGHAM PHOTOS AND DESCRIPTION OF VALENTI. key

ATLANTA ATTEMPT TO IDENTIFY ROBBERY REFERRED TO BY BROWN.

ABOVE BEING FURNISHED ST. LOUIS, AS BIRMINGHAM'S LAST INFORMATION AS TO WHEREABOUTS OF VALENTI, WAS THAT HE WAS IN ST. LOUIS.

CORRECTION: PG 3 LN 5 WD 9 IS "TUNNEL" PG 4 LN 8 WD 7 IS "KENNEDY"
PG 5 LN 2 WD 5 IS "YEAR"

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The following investigation was conducted by
SA ROWEN B. AYERS:

On May 2, 1968, RICHARD BEMAN, MSP # 07694, serving life for murder, Missouri State Penitentiary, since September 30, 1960, said he has worked in the main dining room, the main kitchen and the hospital at the penitentiary. In April of 1967, he said, he was working in the hospital.

He said he knew RAY on sight and spoke to him and that was all. He said he worked for a time with RAY in the kitchen, but did not associate with him in K Hall and he did not know RAY's associates. He said RAY was very quiet and he had no information on the personal habits or beliefs of RAY. He never heard of any bounty for the killing of Dr. KING, or rumors to that effect. He could furnish no further information.

Police Departments at Jefferson City, Columbia and Sedalia, Missouri, and both the Identification and Laboratory Sections of the Missouri State Highway Patrol have been requested to compare any latents on hand or received with the prints of RAY. Only the Missouri State Highway Patrol had such. To date, checks in this regard have been negative, according to Lieut. KENNETH MILLER, Missouri State Highway Patrol Laboratory, who so advised on May 6, 1968.

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The following investigation was conducted by
IC WILLIAM C. MC DONALD at Jefferson City, Missouri:

On May 6, 1968, Missouri State Penitentiary (MSP) records were checked for IVAN UNDERWOOD. The following information was obtained:

IVAN UNDERWOOD, MSP # 12927, was discharged on September 22, 1967.

In October 1967 his wife KATHLEEN was receiving or had applied for Aid to Dependent Children in Cape Girardeau, Missouri.

The Sheriff, Greene County, Missouri, placed a detainer regarding UNDERWOOD on June 26, 1967. He was discharged on September 22, 1967, without any indication that the detainer had been honored.

The following was taken from UNDERWOOD's mailing list:

Wife: KITTY UNDERWOOD, 301 School Street, Sikeston, Missouri;
Mother: ETHEL UNDERWOOD, 200 South Fredrick, Cape Girardeau, Missouri

Brother-

in-law: PAUL SCOWDEN, Rural Route 2, Box 127, Waterloo, Illinois;

Sister: MILDRED SCOWDEN (Same Address)

DARRELL UNDERWOOD, 200 South Fredrick, Cape Girardeau, Missouri

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
FROM: SAC, KANSAS CITY (44-760) P
SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Atlanta teletype to Director, Memphis, Kansas City and Pittsburgh, 5/9/68.

Mr. MARVIN W. HEEREN, 10606 Westbrooke Drive, Shawnee Mission, Kansas, was interviewed this date and was eliminated as a suspect in this matter.

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DAILY SUMMARY

RECORDS BELSAW LOCKSMITH SCHOOL, KANSAS CITY,
MISSOURI, CONTAIN NO RECORD IN THE NAME OF THE SUBJECT.

REVIEW OF MISSOURI STATE PENITENTIARY (MSP)
RECORDS REVEAL COWBOY TO BE MELVIN O. GRIDLEY, MSP
ZERO TWO FIVE ZERO THREE. ALSO A CHESTER SPEATT,
MSP # ZERO FOUR TWO FIVE EIGHT WAS IN CELL J DISCHARGED
JUNE SIX SIXTYSEVEN. INMATE CARL CRAIG, MSP # ONE ONE
ONE TWO SEVEN DISCHARGED MAY ONE LAST. EFFORTS TO
LOCATE AND INTERVIEW THESE INDIVIDUALS UNDERWAY.

RECORDS TRANS WORLD AIRLINES, (TWA) KANSAS CITY
TICKET # FOUR ZERO FOUR ZERO ONE TWO NINE SIX FOUR ISSUED
TO RALPH BEAL, THREE TEN ONE-HALF HARRISON, DAVENPORT, IA.
FLIGHT WAS FROM ATLANTA TO CHICAGO TO MOLINE, ILL.

1 - Memphis
1 - Birmingham
1 - Chicago (AM)
1 - New York (AM)
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NUMBERS FOR TWA COACH TICKETS FURNISHED BY NEW YORK
BOTH CONTAIN TEN DIGITS WHICH TWA STATES IS POSSIBLY AN
ERROR INASMUCH AS THEY ONLY HAVE NINE DIGITS ON THEIR
NUMBERS.

EFFORTS CONTINUING AT MSP TO IDENTIFY NOONEY EDEN.
LOCAL LEADS CONTINUE TO BE HANDLED IMMEDIATELY.

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FBI CHICAGO

154PM URGENT 5/10/68 EOM

TO DIRECTOR (44-38861) AND NEWARK (44-854) KANSAS CITY (44-760)
FROM CHICAGO (44-1114) 2P

MURKIN.

RE LOCKSMITH INSTITUTES.

HOFFMAN LOCKSMITH SUPPLY CO. RECORDS SEARCHED. NO
INDICATION SUBJECT EVER MADE ANY PURCHASES FROM THAT FIRM.
INQUIRY DEVELOPED NO LOCKSMITHING SCHOOLS, CHICAGO, BUT THAT
TWO MOST ADVERTISED SCHOOLS WERE BELSAW, ONE ZERO EIGHT TWO
FIELD BLDG., KANSAS CITY, MO., AND LOCKSMITHING INSTITUTE,
LITTLE FALLS, NEW JERSEY. PRENTICE HALL CO., CHICAGO, ALSO
ADVERTISES COURSES IN LOCKSMITHING.

CONTACT THAT FIRM REVEALED FIRM PUBLISHES BOOK "MODERN
LOCKSMITHING" WHICH WAS SOLD TO LOCKSMITHING INSTITUTE, LITTLE
FALLS, NEW JERSEY. BOOK ALSO SOLD TO INDIVIDUALS ANSWERING
ADVERTISEMENTS IN POPULAR MECHANICS MAGAZINE. RECORDS REVIEWED
FOR ANY INFO RE SUBJECT NEGATIVELY. SALES RECORDS MAINTAINED BY
PRENTICE HALL, INC., ENGLEWOOD CLIFFS, NEW JERSEY, WHICH ALSO WILL
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SELL BY INDIVIDUAL ORDERS.

KANSAS CITY, AT BELSAW, AND NEWARK AT PRENTICE HALL, INC.,
ENGLEWOOD CLIFFS, NEW JERSEY, REVIEW APPROPRIATE RECORDS
TO DETERMINE IF SUBJECT COULD BE IN CONTACT WITH THOSE FIRMS
IN VIEW OF PREVIOUS CONTACT WITH LOCKSMITHING INSTITUTE,
LITTLE FALLS, NEW JERSEY.

AMCC TO MEMPHIS.

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FBI NEW YORK

406PM URGENT 5-10-68 JLW
TO KANSAS CITY
FROM NEW YORK 44-1609 3P

MURKIN

RE EASTERN AIRLINES (EAL) FLIGHTS OUT OF ATLANTA, APRIL FIVE -
TWELVE, LAST.

RE MIAMI TEL TO BUREAU MAY NINE, LAST, NO COPY TO KANSAS CITY.

RE TEL ADVISED AS FOLLOWS.

"EAL RESERVATION CARD FOR FLIGHT TWO FOUR EIGHT Y,
APRIL NINE, LAST, INDICATES ONE JERRY HERRON MADE RESERVATION
AT ATLANTA SIX - TWENTY PM, APRIL NINE, LAST, ATLANTA TO CHICAGO,
CONTACT POINT, ATLANTA LOBBY. AGENT MAKING RESERVATION WAS TEN B.
REVIEW OF TICKETS FLIGHT TWO FOUR EIGHT ON APRIL NINE, LAST, DO NOT
CONTAIN TICKET FOR JERRY HERRON. THIRTEEN FIRST CLASS TICKETS
OF OTHER AIRLINES USED ON EAL FLIGHT TWO FOUR EIGHT ON APRIL
NINE, LAST, ATLANTA TO CHICAGO. TICKET NUMBERS OF OTHER AIRLINES
AS FOLLOWS."
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Bill Connors + WA
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RETEL THEREAFTER SET FORTH LEADS FOR OTHER OFFICES INCLUDING
NEW YORK AS FOLLOWS*

"TRANS WORLD AIRLINES FIRST CLASS TICKET NUMBER FOUR ZERO
FOUR - ZERO ERO ONE TWO NINE SIX FOUR. COACH TICKETS NUMBERS TWO
THREE ZERO - ZERO ONE NINE FOUR NINE FIVE THREE; TWO TWO ZERO - ZERO
SEVEN ONE FIVE THREE ONE EIGHT".

RETEL THEREAFTER SET FORTH LEAD FOR NEW YORK TO DETERMINE FROM
TWA TO WHOM TICKETS ISSUED AND SECURE INFORMATION TO DETERMINE IF
IDENTICAL TO SUBJECT.

ON APRIL TEN, INSANT, MARY ANN PAULSON, ADMINISTRATIVE CLERK,
TWA, NEW YORK, ADVISED THAT ANY INFORMATION CONCERNING ABOVE TICKET
NUMBERS WOULD HAVE TO BE SECURED FROM TWA ACCOUNTING, ONE SEVEN
THREE FIVE BALTIMORE, KANSAS CITY, KANSAS.

KANSAS CITY COVER LEAD AT TWA WHICH WAS SET FORTH ABOVE
FOR NEW YORK.

MEMPHIS ADVISED VIA AIR MAIL.

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SUBJECT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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FBI KAN CITY

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TO: SAC Chicago

FROM: SAC Indianapolis

MURKIN; CR

Re Springfield tels 5-9-68.
Re: Joseph Elmer Austin, aka

Sandra Miller, daughter of Wanda Reese, niece of Joseph Elmer Austin advised Austin's last known address 2056 Washington Blvd., Chicago as of Christmas 1967.

1-Springfield
②-Kansas City
1-Memphis

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TO: SAC, ATLANTA

FROM: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987) P

MURKIN

In connection with investigation conducted to date in instant case, the Memphis Office has prepared a listing of pertinent dates, activity, and residences as known to Memphis concerning subject JAMES EARL RAY. This information may be subject to amplification as additional information becomes known.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Miscellaneous</u>	<u>Place</u>
4/23/67	Escape	Missouri State Penitentiary Jefferson City, Missouri
7/18/67	Harkay Apts., \$450 lease, 7/18/67 - 1/18/68 H. ROTHMAN, owner, \$75 per month. GALT skipped out.	Montreal, Canada
7/26/67	Canadian Postal Money Order	Montreal, Canada
8/26/67	2608 Highland Avenue (Rented room.)	Birmingham, Alabama
8/28/67	Birmingham Trust Nat'l Bank (Rented safety deposit box.)	Birmingham, Alabama

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Miscellaneous</u>	<u>Place</u>
8/29-30/67	Bought Mustang from WILLIAM D. PAISLEY	Birmingham
9/12/67	Continental Dance Club Studio Aka. Friendship Club	Birmingham
10/3/67	Photographic Equipment to Galt (Per records Superior Bulk Film Co., Chicago)	Birmingham
10/4/67	Operator rooming house (P. CHERPES) signed for package for GALT	Birmingham
10/5/67	GALT typed letter from Birmingham Highland Avenue address returning camera to Chicago	Birmingham
10/7/67	Approximate departure	Birmingham
10/18/67	Letter from Film Company (above) returned to Chicago from Birming- ham address	--
10/19 - 11/16/67	Room 212 Motel Rio, Morelos 86	Puerto Villarta Jalisco, Mexico
10/22/67	Superior Bulk Film Co., Chicago records show typed letter from GALT asking refund be sent Hotel Rio, Puerto Villarta, Jalisco, Mexico	
11/7-13/67	Hotel "Tropicana" (Rm. 417)	Puerto Villarta
11/17/67 - 1/18/68	1535 North Serrano (Apt. 6)	Los Angeles, Calif.
11/20/67	Records Chicago Film Co. (above) show GALT asked refund be sent 1535 North Serrano	Los Angeles, Calif.

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12/ 7-19/67	Provincial Motel (GALT)	New Orleans, La.
1/2 - 3/17/68	St. Francis Hotel 5533 North Hollywood Boulevard	Los Angeles
12/ 7 -2/12/68	National Dance Studios	Los Angeles
1/1 /68 - 3/2 /68	International School of Bar- tendering	Los Angeles
3/24/68	113 14th St. N. E. (Rooming House) GALT last seen by landlord approximately 3/31/68	Atlanta, Georgia
3/29-30/68	Purchase of Weapon (HARVEY LOWMEYER), Aero-Marine Supply	Birmingham
4/1/68	Piedmont Laundry (GALT) No starch in clothes	Atlanta
4/3/68	Rebel Motel (ERIC S. GALT) Departed prior to 1 PM, 4/4/68	Memphis
4/4/68	Rooming House (JOHN WILLARD) South Main St., in about 3 PM	Memphis
4/5/68	Last seen A.M. of 4/5/68, Piedmont Laundry, parking Mustang	Atlanta

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
FROM: SAC, HOUSTON (44-1509)
SUBJECT: MURKIN
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Re: WILLIAM THOMAS JACOBS

On 5/9/68 JACK HEARD, Assistant Director, Texas Department of Corrections (TDC), Huntsville, Texas, advised:

On 3/25/65 JACOBS received a two year sentence, TDC. His minimum discharge date was 6/6/66. JACOBS lost no time and caused no trouble. On 1/12/66 in view of his good behavior he was transferred to the TDC Pre-release Unit, Huntsville. He was placed in a trustee status and as such he picked up another month which accounts for his release on 5/11/66. On 5/11/66 JACOBS was discharged with no parole involved. TDC records contain no subsequent information regarding JACOBS.

Investigation to locate JACOBS' brother, J.W. JACOBS, reported in the U.S. Army, ASN unknown, for the purpose of locating WILLIAM THOMAS JACOBS, is being left to the discretion of Memphis.

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1 - Memphis (44-1987) (Info)
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
FROM: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (173-65) -P-
SUBJECT: MURKIN
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OO: Memphis

GILLIS VERRET, 19 Chattanooga Street, San Francisco, California; telephonically contacted the San Francisco Office on 5/7/68 and requested he be contacted by an Agent.

VERRET was contacted on May 8, 1968 and advised that at about 12:30 p.m. on 4/28/68, he was driving west on Army Street in San Francisco and observed a person he believed resembled JAMES EARL RAY also driving west on Army Street. VERRET stated this person was driving a late model Ford two-door hardtop, dark metallic green in color, Florida license plate which he believed to be 37-1735. He stated this individual was alone in the car but there were two or three women's dresses hanging by the left rear window.

Photographs of RAY were exhibited to VERRET who stated he was unable to identify the person he saw in the above-mentioned car, however, he believed the person he saw resembles to some extent JAMES EARL RAY.

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JACKSONVILLE

AT TALLAHASSEE, FLA. Will at Department of Motor Vehicles, ascertain registered owner of vehicle issued Florida license plate number 37-1735, and conduct appropriate investigation.

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3 - Bureau (RM)
2 - Memphis (44-1987) (RM)
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408 PM URGENT 5-11-68 GMC

TO: DIRECTOR, ATLANTA, BIRMINGHAM, MEMPHIS, KANSAS CITY AND
NEW ORLEANS

FROM: ST. LOUIS (44-775)

MURKIN

RE BIRMINGHAM TEL TO BUREAU, MAY TEN, LAST.

JOHN PAUL VELANTI, ONE SIX THREE TWO SOUTH EIGHTEENTH
STREET, ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI, INTERVIEWED MAY FOUR, LAST. DENIED
KNOWING OR ASSOCIATING WITH SUBJECT RAY AT MISSOURI STATE
PENITENTIARY OR ANY OTHER TIME. DID NOT RECALL EVER HAVING
SPOKEN TO RAY.

VELANTI EMPLOYED AS NEWSCASTER AND STATES HE BROADCAST
INFORMATION CONCERNING RAY FOR SOMETIME. DID NOT RECOGNIZE
NAME OR PHOTOGRAPH AS FELLOW INMATE, MSP, UNTIL RECENTLY.
ASSOCIATES FACE WITH INMATE AT MSP, BUT NO PERSONAL KNOWLEDGE
OF RAY.

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*Have advised
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VELANTI RE-INTERVIEWED TODAY IN REGARD TO INFORMATION FURNISHED BY JAMES W. BROWN, BIRMINGHAM. DESCRIBES BROWN AS GOOD FRIEND WITH WHOM HE "CELLED" AND "TOOK CARE OF". ALTHOUGH VELANTI UNAWARE OF BROWN INTERVIEW OR SUBSTANCE THEREOF, HE STATES BROWN IS A FRIEND AND WOULD HAVE NO REASON TO LIE ABOUT HIM.

WAS WITH BROWN KANSAS CITY JAIL, BUT DIFFERENT TANKS AND DID NOT KNOW BROWN THERE. ALSO WITH BROWN MSP, JEFFERSON CITY AND MOBERLY.

VELANTI DENIES ANY AND ALL CONVERSATION WITH RAY AS ATTRIBUTED TO HIM BY BROWN. STILL INSISTS HE DID NOT KNOW RAY.

ADMITS HE RAN POKER GAME AND LOTTERY AT MSP. HAD NUMEROUS INMATES WORKING FOR HIM IN VARIOUS HALLS IN CONNECTION WITH THIS OPERATION, BUT KNEW ALL OF THEM PERSONALLY AND RECALLS THEIR NAMES. SUBJECT RAY NEVER WORKED FOR HIM. RECALLS NO INMATE MSP, FIRST OR LAST NAME RAY, WITH WHOM HE ASSOCIATED OR CONVERSED AT LENGTH.

DENIES EXECUTING OR PLANNING ROBBERY OR BURGLARY OF OIL
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COMPANY OR ANYTHING ELSE IN ATLANTA, GEORGIA. ADVISED IF HE DID PLAN SUCH A JOB, HE WOULD DO IT ALONE.

WIFE, BETTYE, NEE PRITCHARD, MARRIED NINETEEN FIFTYFIVE, JUAREZ, MEXICO, LAST KNOWN TO BE RESIDING ONE TWO SEVEN ZERO CHANEY DRIVE, BOSIER CITY, LOUISIANA. NO IDEA OF PRESENT WHEREABOUTS. VELANTI DENIES EVER HAVING RESIDED IN ATLANTA. HIS SON, JAMES, BY PREVIOUS MARRIAGE TO SHIRLEY HOLSTIEN, WAS KILLED IN AUTO ACCIDENT, ATLANTA, NINETEEN SIXTYTWO, AT AGE FIFTEEN. SON JAMES DID NOT LIVE WITH BETTYE, NEE PRITCHARD. ADVISES HE, VELANTI, HAS ONLY PASSED THROUGH ATLANTA STAYING OVER NIGHT.

DENIED BEING QUESTIONED RE KANSAS CITY GANGSTER WHEN ARRESTED KANSAS CITY. ADVISED HE WAS QUESTIONED BY DETECTIVE HATFIELD, KANSAS CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT, ONLY IN REGARD TO OFFENSE FOR WHICH HE WAS CONVICTED WHICH WAS ARMED ROBBERY OF JOHN RINGO, OPERATOR OF DRAKE HOTEL, KANSAS CITY.

HOWEVER, VELANTI ADVISED HE TOOK "BUM RAP" OF ROBBERY OF RINGO IN ORDER TO AVOID DIVULGING HIS WHEREABOUTS AND PERSON
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ACCOMPANYING HIM AT TIME OF RINGO ROBBERY. STATED EITHER WAY HE HAD TO GO TO PRISON IN EITHER MISSOURI OR KANSAS. WOULD HAVE GOTTEN MORE TIME IN KANSAS.

REFUSED TO DISCUSS WHEREABOUTS, OFFENSE, OR ASSOCIATES ACCOMPANYING HIM ON THAT DATE BECAUSE OF NATURE OF OFFENSE AND PERSON OR PERSONS INVOLVED. ADVISED THAT ANY INVESTIGATION INTO THIS MATTER MATTER COULD JEOPARDIZE HIS PRESENT PAROLE STATUS EVEN THOUGH STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS HAS RUN ON THAT CRIME.

DENIES HAVING RELATIVES BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA. DENIES KNOWLEDGE OF ANY CONNECTION BETWEEN NEW ORLEANS GANGSTERS AD GANGSTERS IN KANSAS CITY.

IN PREVIOUS INTERVIEW, VELANTI ADVISED "NOONEY" EDEN IS JAMES EDEN. EDEN IS TONGUE-TIED AND NICKNAMED NOONEY BECAUSE OF HIS INABILITY TO PRONOUNCE BOLONEY.

ADMITS HAVING PLANNED ESCAPES FROM MSP, BUT NEVER WITH ACCOMPLICE. NEVER HEARD OF PRISONERS PLAN TO ESCAPE TO LIBERIA OR HIDE OUT IN A VIRGINIA CAVE.

SUBSEQUENT TO ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY, VELANTI ADMITS FIGHTING WITH FELLOW PRISONER OUTSIDE CATHOLIC CHAPEL
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MSP BECAUSE OF DEROGATORY STATEMENT MADE BY PRISONER CONCERNING PRESIDENT KENNEDY AS A CATHOLIC. DOES NOT RECALL NAME OF PRISONER, AND NO CHARGES FILED.

RECALLS MANY PRISONERS DEGRADING NEGROES, BUT STATES THAT DEROGATORY STATEMENT CONCERNING CATHOLICS NOT MADE IN HIS PRESENCE, INASMUCH AS HE IS CATHOLIC.

IN BOTH INTERVIEWS VELANTI DENIED KNOWLEDGE OF "COOLEY" (PHONETIC), BUT ASSOCIATES NAME AND NEGRO INMATE MSP. NEVER HEARD OF MONEY OFFERED FOR DEATH OF DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING.

NEW ORLEANS, AT BOSIER CITY, LOUISIANA, ATTEMPT TO LOCATE AND INTERVIEW BETTYE VELANTI, NEE PRITCHARD, LAST KNOWN ADDRESS ONE TWO SEVEN ZERO CHANEY DRIVE, REGARDING ASSOCIATION BETWEEN VELANTI AND SUBJECT RAY; AND IF THEY WERE INVOLVED IN OIL COMPANY ROBBERY IN ATLANT PRIOR TO VELANTI'S IMPRISONMENT MSP. ADVISE BIRMINGHAM RESULTS, AS NEEDED TO EVALUATE CREDIBILITY OF BROWN, WHO HAS BEEN INTERVIEWED AND MADE ALLEGATIONS OF RAY, VELANTI ASSOCIATION AND OIL ROBBERY.

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634PM URGENT 5-12-68 JLS

TO DIRECTOR, ATLANTA, BIRMINGHAM, KANSAS CITY, MEMPHIS, AND NEW
ORLEANS.

FROM ST. LOUIS (44-775)

MURKIN

RE NO TEL TO BU AND SL TEL TO BU, BOTH MAY ELEVEN LAST.

RE JOHN PAUL VELANTI - JAMES W. BROWN

VELANTI REINTERVIEWED TODAY. NOW RECALLS ONE JIMMY RAYE
(PHONETIC) WM, TWENTY-SEVEN, SIX FOOT ONE, ONE FIFTY LBS, LEFT
HANDED GAMBLER AND BASKET BALL PLAYER WHO WAS INVOLVED WITH VELANTI
IN GAMBLING AT MSP. RAYE STILL AT MSP ACCORDING TO VELANTI. RAYE
HAD OLDER BROTHER, LARRY RAYE, FORMER INMATE MSP. BELIEVES JIMMY
RAYE CONFUSED WITH SUBJECT RAY BY JAMES W. BROWN.

BELANTI ADVISES WIFE, BETTYE PITTARD, AKA PRITCHARD, PETERSON,
(PROBABLY MAIDEN NAME) AND VELANTI, EMPLOYED FOR SEVERAL YEARS AS
KEY PUNCH OPERATOR FOR LOUISIANA - ARKANSAS RAILROAD AT BOTH
SHREVEPORT AND ATLANTA. PARENTS AND REALTIVES BELIEVED TO RESIDE
ATLANTA. BETTYE MEMBER OF DOWNTOWN BRANCH ALCOHOLICS ANNONYMOUS
CLUB, SHREVEPORT, LA. MAY HAVE BEEN AA MEMBER IN ATLANTA.

FRIEND OF VELANTI, JAMES, "JIMMY" H. CARPENTER, FORMER MSP
INMATE, ZERO ONE SEVEN SIX ONE ADVISES SUBJECT RAY WELL KNOWN TO
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HIM MSP. CARPENTER RELEASED ON PAROLE FROM MSP FIVE ONE SIXTY-SEVEN. SAW SUBJECT RAY ON SOUTH ELEVENTH ST., SLMO ON THREE OCCASSIONS BETWEEN MAY TEN AND SEVENTEENTH, SIXTYSEVEN. SUBJECT RAY POORLY DRESSED, WEARING MUSTACHE. BORROWED TEN DOLLARS FROM CARPENTER. STATED HE NEEDED GUN TO MAKE A SCORE SO HE COULD LEAVE ST. LOUIS. CARPENTER GOT IMPRESSION RAY WAS THEN GOING TO ILLINOIS.

CARPENTER RECALLS INMATE MSP KNOWN AS (FNU) COOLEY (PH) DESCRIBES AS WM, FORTY-FIVE YEARS OLD AT PRESENT, SIX FEET, ONE FIFTY LBS, SLENDER, BLACK HAIR, WALKS WITH LIMP. IN MSP ON TWO OCCASSIONS. LAST RELEASED PRIOR TO NINETEEN SIXTY WHEN SUBJECT RAY ENTERED MSP. THIS PERSON TRIED TO BE AN INTELLECTUAL. READ SCIENCE AND SEX BOOKS CONTINUALLY. WORKED IN KITCHEN MSP.

ATLANTA ATTEMPT TO IDENTIFY AND LOCATE WIFE OF VELANTI, BETTYE PITTARD, AND INTERVIEW REGARDING ANY ASSOCIATION OF VELANTI WITH SUBJECT RAY. VERIFY AND FIX DATE OF ALLEDGED ROBBERY OR BURGLARY OF ATLANTA OIL COMPANY BY RAY AND VELANTI.

KANSAS CITY AT JEFFERSON CITY WILL ATTEMPT TO IDENTIFY JIMMY RAYE (PH) MENTIONED BY VELANTI AS PERSON PROBABLY REFERRED TO BY JAMES A. BROWN OF BIRMINGHAM.

ATTEMPT TO IDENTIFY COOLEY AS DESCRIBED.

NEW ORLEANS AT SHREVEPORT WILL CONDUCT INVESTIGATION TO LOCATE AND INTERVIEW BETTYE PITTARD, RE ASSOCIATION BETWEEN SUBJECT RAY AND BELANTI.

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FBI CHICAGO

328PM URGENT 5-12-68 TAB

TO: DIRECTOR (44-38861) MEMPHIS (44-1987) ST. LOUIS, KANSAS CITY
FROM: CHICAGO (44-1114)

MURKIN.

RE CHICAGO TEL MAY ELEVEN LAST.

RE BROTHER JERRY WILLIAM RAY. REINTERVIEWED IN DEPTH THIS DATE.
STATES NEW PHOTO OF SUBJECT IN BUSINESS SUIT IS GOOD LIKENESS
EXCEPT SUBJECT FULLER IN FACE THAN JERRY HAS EVER SEEN HIM.

STATES BROTHER JOHN DROVE HERE IN SIXTY ONE PLYMOUTH
DURING JUNE OR JULY LAST WHEN JERRY LIVING TECHNY ROAD,
NORTHBROOK, ILLINOIS. JERRY'S EX-WIFE DID NOT MEET HIM AT
THAT TIME BUT HAD MET JOHN PREVIOUSLY CHRISTMAS LAST IN
ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI. JOHN AND JERRY SWITCHED CARS, JOHN
LEAVING IN SIXTY TWO RAMBLER. BOTH CARS NOW AT FATHER'S
FARM, CENTER, MISSOURI. AT THAT TIME JOHN GAVE NO INDICATION
OF BEING AWARE SUBJECTS WHEREABOUTS.

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IN PREVIOUS INTERVIEWS, JERRY STATES SUBJECT ONLY SENT HIM FIFTY DOLLARS FROM PRISON. CONFRONTED WITH DETAILED LIST OF FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS OF SUBJECT FROM PRISON INDICATING TWO HUNDRED SIXTY SIX DOLLARS SENT. JERRY STATES MUST BE IN ERROR SINCE ONLY AMOUNT HE RECOGNIZES IS FIFTY FIVE DOLLARS TWENTY FIVE CENTS SENT TO HIM JUNE TWENTY TWO, SIXTY FOUR, WHEN HE WAS IN ST. LOUIS AND NEEDED MONEY TO RETURN TO CHICAGO. SUGGESTS MONEY LISTED TO HIM WAS INSTEAD PAID TO BROTHER'S ATTORNEY, NAME UNKNOWN, JEFFERSON CITY, MISSOURI.

JERRY FURNISHED ITINERARY WHILE LAST IN ST. LOUIS STATES BOTH JOHN AND CAROL STILL BELIEVE SUBJECT VICTIM OF FRAME-UP OR USED AS "FALL GUY". ALL BASED ON INFO FROM NEWSPAPER ARTICLES. STILL NO INDICATION FROM THEM OF ANY INFO RE SUBJECT'S WHEREABOUTS SINCE ESCAPE.

STATES NEVER HEARD OF "COOLIES" NOR EVER HEARD BROTHER MENTION. NOW RECALLS BROTHER FRIENDLY WITH (FNU) MENARD BROTHERS WHILE IN JEFFERSON CITY PRISON.

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JERRY NOW RESIDING APARTMENT FOURTEEN, THREE ONE FOUR WISCONSIN AVENUE, LAKE FOREST, ILLINOIS. NO PHONE. NEAREST PHONE FOUR BLOCKS AWAY. CONTINUES EMPLOYMENT AT SPORTSMAN'S COUNTRY CLUB. WILL CONTACT CASE AGENT DAILY. COVERAGE CONTINUING. PROFESSES COOPERATION.

KANSAS CITY, IF NOT ALREADY DONE, IDENTIFY SUBJECT'S ATTORNEY, JEFFERSON CITY, MISSOURI, AND INTERVIEW APPROPRIATELY.

MAKE EFFORTS TO IDENTIFY MENARD BROTHERS AND SET OUT LEADS TO INTERVIEW.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC (44-760) -P-

FROM : SA JOSEPH W. JACKSON

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 5/10/68

OO: Memphis
Bufile: 44-38861

Re memo of SAC, dated 4/10/68.

At the below set forth localities on dates indicated, all individuals contacted, and reviews of source of information material, failed to reveal any information on anyone named ERIC STARVO GALT, or anyone with a similar name:

AT MONETT, MISSOURI:

4/16/68, Assistant Chief of Police LEONARD MULLICANE, Monett Police Department.

4/16/68, MARY HOLMES, Reporter, Credit Bureau of Monett.

On 4/16/68, a review of the combined directory of the Southwest Bell Telephone Company, for Monett, Missouri, and Pierce City, Missouri.

AT CASSVILLE, MISSOURI:

On 4/16/68, FERN EDENS, City Marshal and Deputy Sheriff.

On 4/16/68, Deputy Sheriff CLYDE RYAN, Barry County Sheriff's Office.

There are no voters registration records maintained in Barry County, Missouri.

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On 4/16/68, a review was made of the Missouri State Telephone Company Combined Directory, for Cassville, Exeter, Seligman, Shell Knob, Washburn, Butterfield, Ridgley, Rocky Comfort, Stark City, and Wheaton, Missouri.

AT ANDERSON, MISSOURI:

4/15/68 CLIFFORD TESTERMAN, City Marshal

AT PINEVILLE, MISSOURI:

4/16/68 EARL LESLIE SPEARS, Sheriff, of McDonald County

AT NOEL, MISSOURI:

4/16/68 MELVIN WAKEFIELD, City Marshal

On 4/16/68, a review of the McDonald County Combined Telephone Directory was made for Anderson, Jane, Pineville, Goodman, Lanagan, Noel and Southwest City, Missouri.

There are no voters registration records maintained in McDonald County, Missouri.

AT NEOSHO, MISSOURI:

On 4/15/68, MARY LEE MILLER, owner, Credit Bureau of Newton and McDonald Counties.

On 4/15/68, GEORGE KELLY, Sergeant, Police Department.

On 4/15/68, FORREST F. LAND, Sheriff of Newton County.

On 4/15/68, the Central Index of Voters Registration Records for Newton County, Missouri, was made available by WILMA WALKER, Deputy County Clerk.

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On 4/15/68, Dr. MELVIN S. MC CULLOUGH, Newton
County Physician.

On 4/15/68, a review of the Neosho City
Directory and the Directory of the Southwestern Bell
Telephone Company for subscribers at Neosho, Missouri.

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Date: May 8, 1968

Transmit the following in _____

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(Priority)

To: All SACS and LEGATS

From: Director, FBI (44-38861)

MURKIN

OO: MEMPHIS (44-1987)

In connection with the captioned case there has been speculation that James Earl Ray concocted the alias of Eric Starvo Galt by combining the names of characters from books by Ian Fleming and from a book "Atlas Shrugged" by Ayn Rand. This speculation is based on the fact that in the James Bond books by Ian Fleming there is a character named Ernst Stavro Blofield and in "Atlas Shrugged" there is a character named John Galt, as well as one named Eric Starnes. Ernst Stavro Blofield is a formidable person, John Galt is a "social drop out" and Eric Starnes is described in the book as a "whiner" from a low-class family.

In view of the above and in order that Agents handling this investigation can be alert to the possibility of Ray's utilizing an alias based on characters in Fleming's books, there is set out as an attachment to this airtel a list of various characters in those books for your assistance.

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CHARACTERS IN BOOKS

BY IAN FLEMING

CASINO ROYALE

James Bond
de Villorin
Duclos
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Clements
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Herr Nummer
Herr Ziffer
Smersh
Deauville
Le Touquet
Zographos
Cypher
Alsace Lorraine
Strasbourg
Archivist

Smyert Shpionam
Goytchev
Garrad-Jones
Petchora
Donovan
Harthrop-Vane
Ventnor
Mace
Savarin
Mathis
Charles Dasilva
Kingston
Monsieur Muntz
Trouville
Royale
Vesper Lynd
Dior

Monsieur Sixte
Lord Danvers
Carmel Delane
Signor Tomelli
Rene Mathis
Monsieur Versoix
Adolph Gettler
Herr Gettler

DIAMONDS ARE FOREVER

Galland
Sillitoe
Daker
Jacoby
Bronsteen
Sefton Delmer
DeBeers
Ronnie Vallance
Rufus B. Saye, wa,
Jack Spang
Peter Franks
Tiffany Case
Sergeant Dankwaerts
Sergeant Lobiniere
Mister Grunspan
Willy Behrens
George Feyer
Michael Tree, wa,
Shady Tree
Seraffimo Spang
W. Winter
Mike Hammer
Rocky

Felix Leiter
Pickapepper
Mauve Decade
Bill Winfrey
Kid Tatters
Lame-Brain Pissaro
Belair Stud
Mr. Weiss
Windy Wint
Boofy Kidd
Ernie Cuneo
Jack Entratter
Bobby Bilbo
Mr. Lucian
Frasso
McGonigle
Captain Hook

B. Kitteridge
Mr. Rothblatt

THE DIAMOND SMUGGLERS

Ian Fleming

Sir Reginald Leeper
Mr. Swart
Brigadier Rademeyer
Volk
Bernard Nealon
John Blaize
Williamson
Prospector Katze
du Raan
Mr. Louwrens
Sergeant Cilliers
Andries Coetzze
Alexander Foote
Desmond
Percy Sillitoe
Ernest Oppenheimer
J. A. Brink

Claasens
Bill Syer
Fuchs
LeBeers

THE DIAMOND SMUGGLERS

Van Blommestein & Birt

Tim Patterson

Piet Willers

T. S. Patterson

Blake

Davis

de Graaf

Mrs. Coetzze

Christine Granville

Sammy Silberstein

Captain van der Westhuisen

William Percival Radley ("Tony")

Donald Miles

Henry Orford

Blaize

Bernard Nealon

Harry Morgan

Finkle

William N. Witherspoon

P. M. R. Willis

Ardayast Powanlian

David Mitchel

Frank Wile

Max Pop

Francis Gballeit

Arthur Sherman

Belcher

Herbert Cox

Monsieur Diamant

Harry Openheimer

Kutze

Groffelaar

Patrick Sullivan

Leiser Weitman

John Gundry

Willy Rosen

Sillitoe

Henry Brasseur

Kheir

Mr. Capper

Robert Johnson

Ernest Oppenheimer

THE DIAMOND SMUGGLERS

Lyall

Philip Schreiber

Amschel Benny Engel

M. Lallet

M. Mario Pinci

Alio Giwa

Nathan Ascher Glatt

Dr. H. P. Lowe

H. J. Browning (Mr.)

Solomon Cukrowicz

David Gollansky

Alahaju Mustafa Ibrahim

Mike Collins

R. F. Sheldon

Mr. H. Rogers

Harras

DOCTOR NO

John Strangways

M

Bill Templar

Stoker Smith

James Molony

Dr. Peter Steincrohn

Major Boothroyd

Quarrel

Hugh Foot

Mr. Pleydell-Smith

Ben Gibbons

Josiah Smith

John Bryce

Waygood Otis

Julius No

Lenny

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Rattray

Bates

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Pyramus

Thisbe

Havelock

Jimmy Farquharson

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Henriques

Feddens

Major Gonzales

von Hammerstein

Colonel Johns

Haversack

Burns Martin

Monty

Ethan Allen

Robin Hood

Harvey Millers

Godalming

Cheltenham

Tunbridge Wells

Governor

Philip Masters

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Tattersall

Whitehall

Albergo Colomba D'oro

Signor Kristatos

Ronnie Vallance

Santos

Enrico Colombo

Van Cleef

Mr. Toad

Albergo Daniell

Milton Krest

Mr. Abedana

Professor Hildebrand

FROM RUSSIA WITH LOVE

Donovan Grant

"Red" Grant

Krassno Granitsky

"Granit"

Dr. Baumgarten

Colonel Arkday Fotoyev

Lt. Col. Nikolai Godlovsky

General Ivan Aleksandrovitch Serov

Colonel General Grubozaboyschikov

Lt. General Slavin

Lt. General Vozdvishensky

Tokaev

Khoklov

Petrov

Rene Mathis

Drax

Colonel Klebb

Kronsteen

Makharov

Fouche

Professor Deniken

Darko Kerim

Lermontov

Swaine

Adeney

Wilkinson

Kerim Bey

Cecil Beaton

FROM RUSSIA WITH LOVE

Croesus
David Somerset
Bianco
Major Dansey
Gyllius
Vavra
Krilenku
Zora
Vida
Boris Kerin
Melchior Benz
Kurt Goldfarb
Stefan Trempo
"Trempo"
Captain Norman Nash
Wilbur Frank
Comtesse Metterstein
Rosa Malheur

GOLDFINGER

Blackwell	Honer
Schwab	Philip Scrutton
Santos	Foulks
Johnny Crawford	Hagen
Auric Goldfinger	Bernard Darwin
Mr. Armour	Mr. Scotland
Jill Masterton	Le Touquet
Colonel Smithers	Tilly Masterton
Sassoon	Dr. Foch
Ellerman	Mr. Gold
Lord Cowdray	Helmut M. Springer
Rothschilds, Barings, Hambros	Jed Midnight
Williamson	Billy (The Grinner) Ring
Oppenheimer	Jack Strap
Boris Anrep	Mr. Solo
Hopton Wood	Jim Colossimo
Alfred Blacking	Slappy Hapgood
Farquharson	Giulio
Hawker	Bloody Morgan
Lord Lonsdale	Cortez

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O' Brien

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Dutch Schuyts

Napoleon, Hitler

LIVE AND LET DIE

Grady

Arthur Fein

Buonaparte Ignace Gallia

Tee-Hee Johnson

Leigh Fermor

Samuel D. Baldwin

Mr. Halloran

Captain Dexter

Zachary Smith

Baron Samedi

Sam Miami

G-G Sumatra

Flannel

Mr. Bryce

Quarrel

THE MAN WITH THE GOLDEN GUN

M.

Captain Walker

Major Townsend

Mr. Robson

Sir James Molony

Bill Tanner

Ramon "The Rod" Rodriguez

Enrico Scaramanga

Harold L. Peterson

Oliver Winchester

Beau Desert

Commander Edmund G. Ross

Mark Hazard

Tony Hugill

Mr. Brown

Francisco Scaramanga

Mr. Hendriks

Sam Binion

Leroy Gengerella

Hal Garfinkel

THE MAN WITH THE GOLDEN GUN

Louie Paradise

Mr. Travis

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Stanley Jones

King Tiger

Sir Alexander Bustamante

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Rastafari

Macdonald

Bannister

Percival Sampson

Lister Smith

Justice Morris Cargill

Donitz

Guderian

MOONRAKER

Hugo Drax ("Hugger")

Jack Hobbs

Gordon Richards

Basildon (Basil)

Tranby Croft

Steffi Esposito

Meyer

Gibbon

Longchamp

Brevett

Canfield

Dangerfield

Max

Porterfield

Grimley

General Bealey

Duff Sutherland

Morphy

Ronnie Vallance

Tallon

Gala Brand

Egon Bartsch

Professor Train

Dr. Walter

Willy Krebs

Marie Laurencin

Leica

Baxter

Professor Bhose

Galatea

Graf Hugo von der
Drache

Kaltenbrunner

Otto Skorzeny

Group Captain Tandy

Peter Trimble

Detective-Inspector
Vivian

ON HER MAJESTY'S SECRET SERVICE

Phillippe Bertrand

Boudin

Monet

Ernst Stavro Blofeld

Croupier

Rossi

Andre Mattei

Peckham

Laurence Sterne

Johnson

Goldsmith

Dean Swift

Lord Nelson

Sable Basilish Pursuivant

Gebriider Gumpold-Moosbrugger

Tissot

Tracy

Blauenfelder

Monsieur Maurice

Monsieur Pol

Changeur

Marc - Ange Draco

Jean Gindicelli

Griffon Or

Sir Thomas Bond

Nell Gweynn

Boswell

Reynolds

Garrick

Canning

Lord Bently Royal

Sir Hilary Bray

G. W. Marshall

Sir James Malony

Achmed

Jenny Bray

Mary potts

O'Neill

Maria Stavro Michelopoulos

Captain Boris

Alphonse de Bleuville

D'dsigneys

Professor Auguste Kommer

Conte de Bleuville

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Fritz

Ivan

Bertil Yugo

Sir George Dunbar

George Albert Windsor

Ernst George Blofeld

Shaun Campbell

Herr Graf

Pat Smythe

Simon de Bleuville

Muir

Summerhayes

Mr. Leathers

Marius

Che-Che

Ernst Stefan Blofeld

Mr. Franklin

Sir Ronald Vallance

Mr. Trumper

Toussaint

THE SPY WHO LOVED ME

Mr. Sanguinetti

Jed Phancey

Derek Mallaby

Ben Said

Maurice Smart

Don Shirley

James Grant

Audrey Thompson

Nosy Parker

Hoppy Jones

Bill Kenny

Charlie Fuqua

Harling

Len Holbrook

Frank Donaldson

Bill Donaldson

Kurt Rainer

Trude

Herr Doktor Braunschweig

Pat Moss

Elliott Frey

Millicent

Sluggsy Morant

Sol (Horror) Horowitz

Horst Uhlmann

Lieutenant Morrow

O'Donnell

Captain Stonor

THUNDERBALL

Bircher-Brenner
Kneipp
Preissnitz
Rikli
Schroth
Gossman
Bilz
Joshua Wain
Alan Moyle
Heinkel
Count Lippe
Beresford
Jules
Gregor Karlski
Ernst Stavro Blofeld
Marius Domingue
Pierre Borraud
Giuseppi Petacchi
Fidelio Sciacco
Bruno Bayer
Fonda
Enrico Valli

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Emilio Largo	Trembling Leaf
Kotze	Grey Pearl
Leopoldo Rodriques	Dikko Henderson
Dominetta Vitali	Admiral Ohnishi
Pitman	Porterfield
F. Larkin	Sir James Molony
Roddick	Ernst Stavro Blofeld
Felix Leiter	Richard Lovelace Henderson
Bryce	
Harold Christie	Tracy
Sergeant Molony	Colonel Hamilton
Mr. Snow	Prenderghast
Mr. Player	Bill Tanner
Constable Santos	Jim Saunderson
Emil Traut	Mariko Ichiban
Brigadier Fairchild	Superintendent Ando
Peter Pedersen	Taro Todoroki
Admiral Carlson	Kono
Strelik	Kazama
Petty Officer Fallon	
Dr. Stengel	Doctor Guntram Shatter- hand, aka-Comte de Bleuville