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PLIERS ASPECT

INVESTIGATION THIS DATE AT ROMPAGE HARDWARE COMPANY, FIVE FIVE FOUR TWO HOLLYWOOD BOULEVARD, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, DISCLOSES COMPANY EMPLOYEES POSITIVE DUCK-BILLED PLIERS IN COLOR PHOTOGRAPH IS PART OF A ONE TIME SHIPMENT THEY RECEIVED OCTOBER SIXTY SIX. PRESENT MANAGER BELIEVES TWELVE SUCH PLIERS IN SHIPMENT. BUREAU AGENT OBTAINED THE LAST ONE FROM "BARGAIN BIN" NEAR FRONT DOOR OF STORE. IT APPEARS IDENTICAL WITH PHOTO AND BEARS SAME LABEL EXCEPT THAT STORE CODE IS FAINTLY VISIBLE IN UPPER LEFT AND UPPER RIGHT CORNER SHOWING INVENTORY DATE TEN - SIX.

ALL PRESENT SALES FORCE HAVE NO RECOLLECTION OF ANY SALE OF THIS ITEM. MANAGEMENT ADVISED APPROXIMATELY EIGHTY FIVE - NINETY PERCENT OF BUSINESS IS CASH SALE. CREDIT INVOICES FOR ALL SALES SINCE OCTOBER SIXTY SIX TO PRESENT BEING CHECKED TO DETERMINE IF SUBJECT PLIERS POSSIBLY PURCHASED ON CREDIT.

ONE CREDIT ITEM REFLECTING SALE OF ONE DOLLAR NINETY EIGHT CENTS PLIERS, TYPE UNKNOWN, LOCATED. PURCHASER WILL BE INTERVIEWED. REVIEW OF VOLUMINOUS CREDIT SALES CONTINUES.

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IDENTITIES AND ADDRESSES OF FORMER EMPLOYEES  
WHO CEASED EMPLOYMENT SUBSEQUENT TO OCTOBER SIXTY SIX  
OBTAINED. INTERVIEWS BEING CONDUCTED. MANAGER ~~INTERVIEWED~~ <sup>offered</sup>  
POSSIBILITY OF THEFT BY SHOP LIFTER AS HE HAS SUFFERED SUCH  
LOSSES IN PAST.

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SAC LOS ANGELES 44-1574

MURKIN, CR

DETECTIVE STRUM, NEWTON STREET, DIV, LAPD, TONIGHT ADVISED COMPLAINT RECEIVED FROM ROBERTA EDWARDS AND CATHLEEN MABLE MC BRIDE, SISTERS, RESIDING 910 W. 81st STREET, LOS ANGELES, ALLEGING MISTREATMENT BY UNKNOWN WHITE MALE DURING COURSE THREE HOUR DRIVE THROUGHOUT SOUTH LOS ANGELES THIS AFTERNOON. UNKNOWN WHITE MALE FORCED GIRLS OUT OF VEHICLE AFTER REPORTEDLY MAKING STATEMENT HE HAD KILLED DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING IN MEMPHIS AND HAD JUST ARRIVED LOS ANGELES FROM MEMPHIS BY JET.

MC BRIDE LOCATED AND INTERVIEWED BY BUAGENTS REPEATING ABOVE INFORMATION. SHE ADVISED UNKNOWN WHITE MALE DESCRIBED AS 25, 5'9, 170 lbs, RUDDY COMPLEXION, BROWN HAIR, WEARING ORANGE PANTS, WHITE SHIRT, BLACK SHOES. HE WAS MEAN LOOKING AND USED FOUL LANGUAGE. HE WAS DRIVING 1965 DODGE, CHERRY RED IN COLOR, CALIFORNIA LIC ROE 183. HE WAS ACCOMPANIED BY NEGRO MALE, TWENTY YEARS, WEARING WHITE SHIRT AND BLACK PANTS. UNSUBS APPARENTLY KNEW EACH OTHER, ACCORDING TO MC BRIDE.

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INVESTIGATION REFLECTS VEHICLE REGISTERED TO TRANS AMERICAN LEASING, 1157 SO. HOPE STREET, LOS ANGELES WHOSE RECORDS WILL BE AVAILABLE 8 AM 4/9/ NEXT.

LOS ANGELES WILL INTERVIEW ROBERTA EDWARDS, SISTER OF MC BRIDE IN AM OF 4/9. BOTH FEMALES KNOWN TO LOCAL POLICE AS HUSTLERS. WILL CHECK RECORDS TRANS AMERICAN LEASING COMPANY AND ASCERTAIN NAME OF LEASOR.

INVESTIGATION CONTINUING.

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TO DIRECTOR, MEMPHIS, ALBANY, LOS ANGELES, NEW RLEANS (INFO)  
PHILADELPHIA AND SACRAMENTO (INFO).  
FROM NEW YORK 44-1609

MURKIN; CIVIL RIGHTS; OO: MEMPHIS.

RE BH TE~~LES~~ TO THE BUREAU DATED APRIL SEVEN AND APRIL  
EIGHT LAST AND ME TEL TO ALL SACS DATED APRIL SEVEN LAST.

FOR INFORMATION, BIRMINGHAM ADVISED UNSUB USED NAME HARVEY  
LOWMEYER WHEN PURCHASING RIFLE IN BIRMINGHAM AND NAME JOHN  
WILLARD IN REGISTRATION AT ME. BIRMINGHAM REQUESTED NY OFFICE  
TO CONTACT DINERS CLUB TO DETERMINE IF EITHER NAME APPEARED AS  
CREDIT CARD HOLDERS AND THEREAFTER SET OUT APPROPRIATE LEADS TO  
ELIMINTATE OR IDENTIFY AS UNSUB THIS CASE.

REVIEW OF DINERS CLUB'S RECORDS AT NEW YORK REVEALS NO  
CREDIT CARD FOR HARVEY LOWMEYER.

RECORDS REFELCT THE FOLLOWING DINERS CLUB ACCOUNTS UNDER  
THE NAME JOHN WILLARD:

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~~JOHN F. WILLARD~~, WILLARD GENERAL TIRE SERVICE, INC.,  
TWO THREE NINE WEST KING STREET, YORK, PENNSYLVANIA.  
THIS ACCOUNT NUMBER TWO FOUR FOUR SIX SIX THREE ZERO SIX DASH  
EIGHT HAS BEEN ACTIVE SINCE NINETEEN HUNDRED FIFTY THREE.

PH CONDUCT APPROPRIATE INVESTIGATION TO ELIMINATE OR  
IDENTIFY JOHN F. WILLARD AS UNSUB THIS CASE

~~JOHN W. WILLARD~~, WIFE ~~MARY R. WILLARD~~, ONE THREE FIVE  
HAMPTON ROAD, SYRACUSE, NEW YORK, TELEPHONE NUMBER  
GR NINE DASH NINE SEVEN FOUR FIVE, DINERS CLUB ACCOUNT  
NUMBER ONE SEVEN TWO EIGHT DASH FIVE SIX ONE THREE DASH  
ZERO. DINERS CLUB RECORDS REFLECT WILLARD AS PRESIDENT  
OF ~~JOHN F. WILLARD ASSOCIATES~~, INC. EMPLOYMENT AGENCY, TWO  
TWO ZERO SOUTH WARREN STREET, SYRACUSE, NEW YORK,  
TELEPHONE NUMBER FOUR TWO TWO DASH FIVE ONE ONE ONE,  
AND HAS BANK ACCOUNT AT MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK AND TRUST  
COMPANY, SYRACUSE, NEW YORK.

HIS SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER IS RECORDED AS [REDACTED]  
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[REDACTED] AND HE HAS  
OPERATED ABOVE BUSINESS FOR PAST ELEVEN YEARS. THE ACCOUNT  
WAS OPENED OCTOBER THIRTY, NINETEEN SIXTYSEVEN, AND  
IS PRESENTLY AN ACTIVE ACCOUNT.

AL CONDUCT APPROPRIATE INVESTIGATION TO ELIMNATE  
OR IDENTIFY JOHN W. WILLARD AS UNSUB THIS CASE.

JOHN D. WILLARD, JR., AGE TWENTY EIGHT IN NINETEEN  
SIXTYFIVE, DINERS CLUB ACCOUNT NUMBER FIVE ONE TWO ONE DASH  
ONE FOUR TWO FIVE DASH SEVEN, RESIDED AT FOUR FOUR ZERO  
SEVEN BEACH STREET, LANCASTER, CALIFORNIA, TELEPHONE  
NUMBER LI OR NI EIGHT DASH FIVE FOUR THREE EIGHT AS OF  
NINETEEN SIXTYFIVE, AT WHICH TIME HE WAS DESCRIBED AS  
BEING SINGLE. PRIOR TO THIS DATE, HE WAS FIRST LIEUTENANT  
AT EDWARDS AIR FORCE BASE, CALIFORNIA, FOR THREE YEARS.  
THIS ACCOUNT WAS CLOSED AT MEMBER'S REQUEST, MAY NINETEEN,  
NINETEEN SIXTYSEVEN. ACCOUNT HISTORY IDENTIFIES FATHER  
AS JOHN D. WILLARD, SR., FOUR ONE FOUR CHICASAND STREET,  
SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA, AND REFLECTS WILLARD, JR., MAINTAINED  
END PAGE 11THREE

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A BANK ACCOUNT AT THE COMMERCIAL NATIONAL BANK, SHREVEPORT,  
LA. HE LISTED HIS PERSONAL REFERENCE AS KEN SMITH,  
FOUR FOUR ZERO SEVEN BEACH STREET, LANCASTER, CALIFORNIA,  
AND A CHARGE ACCOUNT AT KELEK, SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS.  
THE ABOVE INFORMATION WAS OBTAINED TELEPHONICALLY FROM  
DINERS CLUB, LOS ANGELES BY DINERS CLUB, NEW YORK.

LA CONDUCT APPROPRIATE INVESTIGATION TO  
ELIMINATE OR IDENTIFY JOHN D. WILLARD, JR., AS UNSUB  
THIS CASE.

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COULD YOU PLS REPEAT P. ONE LINE ONE THIRD WORD  
P. TWO LINE 12 WORD TWO AND LINE THIRTEEN WOULD TWO AND  
P. THREE LINE ONE FIRST WORD

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13 W2 ZERO

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TO ALL CONTINENTAL OFFICES (PLAINTEXT)  
FROM DIRECTOR (44-38861) 2P

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~~THIS IS THE CASE INVOLVING THE MURDER OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.~~

KING, JR., ON APRIL FOUR, LAST, IN MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE.

UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES SHOULD ANYONE BE TOLD THIS INVESTIGATION IS IN CONNECTION WITH CAPTIONED MATTER.

IT HAS BEEN DETERMINED THAT A RIFLE ABANDONED NEAR SCENE OF CRIME WAS PURCHASED BY INDIVIDUAL USING THE NAME HARVEY LOWMEYER OR LOWMYER.

LOWMEYER OR LOWMYER IS GENERALLY DESCRIBED AS WHITE MALE, THIRTYSIX YEARS OLD, FIVE FEET EIGHT INCHES TALL, ONE HUNDRED FIFTY - ONE HUNDRED SIXTY POUNDS, BLACK OR DARK BROWN HAIR.

IN VIEW OF THE UNUSUAL NATURE OF THE NAMES LOWMEYER AND LOWMYER, ALL OFFICES SHOULD IMMEDIATELY CHECK YOUR INDICES, ALL CITY DIRECTORIES, ALL TELEPHONE DIRECTORIES COVERING YOUR TERRITORIES, ALL DRIVERS LICENSE RECORDS, ALL AUTOMOBILE  
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REGISTRATION RECORDS, VOTER REGISTRATION RECORDS, AND CREDIT AND CRIMINAL RECORDS ON THE SURNAMES LOWMEYER AND LOWMYER. IN VIEW OF THE UNUSUAL NATURE OF THE NAMES, DO NOT CONFINE YOUR CHECK TO HARVEY LOWMEYER AND LOWMYER ONLY. ANY INDIVIDUALS IDENTIFIED AS BEARING THESE SURNAMES SHOULD BE IMMEDIATELY CHECKED OUT COVERING THE PERTINENT PERIOD. YOU SHOULD ALSO APPROPRIATELY CHECK OUT ALL BOMBING SUSPECTS IN YOUR TERRITORIES.

HANDLE IMMEDIATELY AND GIVE TOP PRIORITY ATTENTION.

BUFILES CONTAIN NO INFORMATION IDENTIFIABLE ON HARVEY LOWMEYER OR LOWMYER.

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DE LA COULD U PLS REPEAT LINES 1 AND 2 5 36

LINES 1&2 2"THIS IS THE CASE INVOLVING THE MURDER OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., ON APRIL FOUR4, LAST, IN MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE."

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TO: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1897)  
FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574) (P)  
RE: UNSUB, aka  
John Willard;  
MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. -  
VICTIM  
CR  
OO: Memphis

Re Los Angeles teletype to Memphis 4/5/68.

Enclosed herewith are nine copies of FD 302  
reflecting check of records at Bushnell Company,  
Pasadena, California.

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③ - Los Angeles  
(1 - 100-57229)

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~~SAN DIEGO~~ and SACRAMENTO

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (EX 100-57229)

Assassination of Martin Luther King, Jr  
Racial MatterRE LOS ANGELES TELETYPE DATED ~~XXXXX~~ APRIL SEVEN LAST.

LACSO IN POSSESSION OF UNVERIFIED INFORMATION THAT  
SUBSEQUENT TO THE FUNERAL OF DR KING, APRIL NINE NEXT, TROUBLE  
WOULD START ON THE WEST COAST PARTICULARLY IN OAKLAND, SAN  
FRANCISCO, VALLEJO, AND LOS ANGELES.

LACSO ALSO HAVE COMPLAINTS FROM BUSINESSMEN IN SOUTH  
BAY AREA OF LOS ANGELES THAT THEY HAVE BEEN SOLICITED TO PLACE  
ADS IN NEWSPAPERS IN MEMORY OF DR KING, AND IF NOT, THEY WOULD  
BE FIREBOMBED.

LOS ANGELES RADIO STATION KABC THIS DATE INDICATED THAT  
A MARCH WAS BEING HELD EARLY PM THIS DATE IN SOUTH CENTRAL AREA  
OF LOS ANGELES IN MEMORY OF DR KING. WATCH COMMANDERS AT 77th  
DIVISION AND UNIVERSITY DIVISION, LAPD, WHICH COVERS AREA OF  
MARCH ADVISED THAT MARCH WAS ON 103rd street AND NO INCIDENTS  
REPORTED. BOTH WATCH COMMANDERS ADVISED THAT SITUATION NORMAL,

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CLOSE LIAISON BEING MAINTAINED WITH THE LAPD AND THE LACSO AND PERTINENT INFORMATION RECEIVED WILL BE FORWARDED TO THE BUREAU AND INTERESTED OFFICES AT ONCE.

REGION II, PASADEA COGNIZANT.

INVESTIGATION CONTINUING AND AIRTEL AND LHM WILL FOLLOW.

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TO ALL CONTINENTAL OFFICES (PLAINTEXT)

FROM DIRECTOR (44-38861) 2P

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AMONG ARTICLES RECOVERED AT SCENE OF SHOOTING, APPARENTLY ABANDONED BY UNSUB, WERE A PAIR OF BROWNISH CHECKERED PRINT UNDERSHORTS AND WHITE JOCKEY TEE SHIRT BEARING CLOTH LAUNDRY TAGS. THESE TAGS WERE MADE BY A THERMO SEAL MARKING MACHINE MANUFACTURED BY THE TEXTILE MARKING MACHINE COMPANY, SYRACUSE, NEW YORK. THESE TAGS ARE ONE QUARTER INCH WIDE AND ONE AND ONE SIXTEENTH INCH LONG, RED IN COLOR AND BEAR MARKING WHICH APPEARS TO BE "O TWO B DASH SIX" OR "D TWO B DASH SIX." ONLY A PORTION OF THE FIRST CHARACTER IS PRESENT ON EACH TAG, AND THIS CHARACTER IS CUT ON A SLIGHT BIAS. NO OTHER VISIBLE LAUNDRY MARKS WERE FOUND ON EITHER GARMENT.

IMMEDIATE CHECKS OF LOGICAL LAUNDRIES SUGGESTED BY TEXTILE MARKING COMPANY HAVE TO DATE BEEN UNPRODUCTIVE.

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UPON RECEIPT, ALL OFFICES SHOULD IMMEDIATELY TELEPHONICALLY  
CONTACT ALL LAUNDRIES IN YOUR DIVISIONS TO IDENTIFY  
LAUNDRY USING THIS CODE AND THESE TAGS AND PURSUE LOGICAL  
LEADS DEVELOPED.

IF PERTINENT LAUNDRY IDENTIFIED, IMMEDIATELY ADVISE  
BUREAU TELEPHONICALLY.

THIS MUST BE GIVEN TOP PRIORITY HANDLING TO INSURE  
THAT THESE CHECKS ARE IMMEDIATELY RUN OUT.

UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES SHOULD ANYONE BE TOLD THIS  
INVESTIGATION IS IN CONNECTION WITH CAPTIONED MATTER.

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NEW YORK

420PM URGENT 4-9-68 MMS

TO: DIRECTOR, BIRMINGHAM, LOS ANGELES (44-1574) AND  
MEMPHIS

FROM: NEW YORK (44-1609) 1P

MURKIN

RE LOS ANGELES TEL TO THE BUREAU APRIL EIGHT LAST.  
RUTH PETERSON, MOTHER OF ALAN ROY PETERSON, CONFIRMED  
ALAN TELEPHONICALLY CONTACTED HER MORNING OF APRIL EIGHT  
LAST TO DETERMINE WHY FBI TRYING TO CONTACT HIM. SHE STATES  
ALAN FORWARDS ALL HIS MAIL TO HER WHICH CONSISTS OF ONLY  
CHURCH BULLETINS. SHE STATES NEITHER SHE NOR ALAN'S FATHER  
HAVE ANY BROTHERS OR SISTERS, THEREFORE, ALAN HAS NO COUSINS.  
SHE KNOWS OF NO ONE THAN HERSELF WHO COMMUNICATES WITH  
ALAN PETERSON.

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FBI BIRMINGHAM

1046 AM IMMEDIATE 4-9-68 JGA

TO DIRECTOR, MEMPHIS, CHICAGO, CLEVELAND, DENVER, LOS ANGELES  
SAN FRANCISCO, SEATTLE, AND LOUISVILLE  
FROM BIRMINGHAM 44-1740

MURKIN.

ERIC STARVO GALT, TWO SIX ZERO EIGHT HIGHLAND AVENUE SOUTH,  
BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA, DEVELOPED AS POSSIBLE SUSPECT THIS CASE.  
GALT WHITE MALE, DOB [REDACTED] OWNER OF NINETEEN  
SIXTYSIX MUSTANG, NINETEEN SIXTYSEVEN ALABAMA LICENSE ONE A EIGHT  
EIGHT THREE FIVE FOUR, NINETEEN SIXTYEIGHT ALABAMA REGISTRATION  
ONE DASH THREE EIGHT NINE NINE THREE.

RECEIVING OFFICES IMMEDIATELY CONTACT CREDIT CARD OFFICES  
TO DETERMINE WHETHER GALT HAS A STANDARD OIL COMPANY CREDIT CARD  
AND, IF SO, DETERMINE PURCHASES MADE BY HIM FROM MARCH ONE,  
NINETEEN SIXTYEIGHT, TO DATE. ADDRESSES LISTED BELOW:

CHICAGO. STANDARD OIL DIVISION OF AMERICAN OIL COMPANY,  
CENTRAL CREDIT CARD OFFICE, ONE SIX FIVE NORTH CANAL STREET,  
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

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CLEVELAND. STANDARD OIL COMPANY OF OHIO, MIDLAND BUILDING, CLEVELAND, OHIO.

DENVER. CHEVRON SERVICES, POST OFFICE BOX FIVE NINE NINE, DENVER, COLORADO.

LOS ANGELES. STANDARD OIL COMPANY OF CALIFORNIA, POST OFFICE BOX SEVEN FIVE NINE THREE, SANFORD STATION, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA.

SAN FRANCISCO. STANDARD OIL COMPANY OF CALIFORNIA, WESTERN OPERATIONS CORPORATION, POST OFFICE BOX THREE FIVE SIX FIVE, RINCON ANNEX, SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA.

SEATTLE. STANDARD OIL COMPANY, POST OFFICE BOX TWO TWO ZERO, SEATTLE, WASHINGTON.

LOUISVILLE. STANDARD OIL COMPANY OF KENTUCKY, E.P. CENTER, POST OFFICE BOX EIGHTEEN SIX ZERO, LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY.

INDIVIDUAL TO CONTACT IS MR. F. D. GLAZE. GLAZE SHOULD BE REQUESTED TO CONTACT FOUR DIVISIONS UNDER HIS JURISDICTION, ATLANTA, JACKSON, LOUISVILLE, AND JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA.

LOUISVILLE LEAD TELEPHONICALLY FURNISHED DUE TO GEOGRAPHICAL AREA COVERED.

ALL OFFICES IMMEDIATELY SUTEL.

END

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FBI NEW YORK

108PM URGENT 4-9-68 JLW

TO DIRECTOR MEMPHIS BUTTE CHICAGO DETROIT LOS ANGELES (INFO)  
PHILADELPHIA PITTSBURGH AND LOUISVILLE  
FROM NEW YORK 44-1609 3P

MURKIN; CIVIL RIGHTS; OO - MEMPHIS

RE BIRMINGHAM TEL TO BUREAU APRIL SEVEN LAST; MEMPHIS TEL TO ALL  
SASC APRIL SEVEN LAST AND NEW YORK TEL TO DIRECTOR APRIL EIGHT LST.

FOR INFO BIRMINGHAM ADVISED UNSUB USED NAME HARVEY LOWMEYER  
WHEN PURCHASING RIFLE IN BIRMINGHAM AND NAME JOHN WILLARD IN  
REGISTRATION AT MEMPHIS. BIRMINGHAM REQUESTED NEW YORK OFFICE TO  
CONTACT AMERICAN EXPRESS CO. TO DETERMINE IF EITHER NAME APPEARED AS  
CREDIT CARD HOLDERS AND THEREAFTER SET OUT APPROPRIATE LEADS TO  
ELIMINATE OR IDENTIFY AS UNSUB THIS CASE.

REVIEW OF AMERICAN EXPRESS RECORDS AT NEW YORK REVEAL NO  
CREDIT CARD FOR HARVEY LOWMEYER OR VARIATIONS OF NAME.

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John Dee Willard - Supr*

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RECORDS REFLECT THE FOLLOWING AMERICAN EXPRESS ACCOUNTS UNDER THE NAME JOHN WILLARD:

JOHN A. WILLARD, JR., EMPLOYED WITH MONTANA RR ASSOCIATION, BOX ONE ONE SEVEN TWO, HELENA, MONTANA.

JOHN DEE WILLARD, AGE TWENTY EIGHT IN NINETEEN SIXTY FIVE, RESIDES AT FOUR FOUR ZERO SEVEN TWO NORTH BEACH, APARTMENT D, LANCASTER, CALIFORNIA. TELEPHONE NUMBER WH EIGHT - FIVE FOUR THREE EIGHT AS OF NINETEEN SIXTY FIVE, AT WHICH TIME HE WAS DESCRIBED AS BEING SINGLE. PRIOR TO THIS DATE HE WAS FIRST LIEUTENANT AT EDWARDS AIR FORCE BASE, CALIFORNIA, FOR THREE YEARS. BANK REFERENCES REFLECT HE HAS A BANK ACCOUNT AT THE COMMERCIAL NATIONAL BANK, SHREVEPORT, LA, AND HAS A BANK ACCOUNT AT AMERICAN BANK AND TRUST CO., PLANK ROAD, BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA.

JOHN F. WILLARD, EIGHT ONE FIVE SOUTHERN ROAD, YORK, PA., TELEPHONE NUMBER EIGHT FOUR THREE - SEVEN FIVE THREE FOUR.

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JOHN H. WILLARD, IVY HILL, HARLAN, KENTUCKY.

JOHN K. WILLARD, LAKE GROVE ROAD, PETOSKEY, MICHIGAN,  
TELEPHONE NUMBER DI SEVEN - THREE ZERO ONE FOUR.

JOHN RODERICK WILLARD, ONE ZERO TWO NINE PARKVIEW AVE.,  
NEW KENSINGTON, PA., TELEPHONE NUMBER ED FIVE - SIX SEVEN NINE TWO.

JOHN WILLIAM WILLARD, SR., FIVE TWO TWO FOUR DAVIS STREET,  
SKOKIE, ILLINOIS, TELEPHONE NUMBER CR FIVE - FIVE FIVE FOUR TWO.

ALL OFFICES CONDUCT APPROPRIATE INVESTIGATION TO ELIMINATE OR  
IDENTIFY PERSONS WHO ARE AMERICAN EXPRESS CREDIT CARD HOLDERS USING  
THE NAME OF WILLARD.

FOR INFO OF LOS ANGELES, JOHN DEE WILLARD APPEARS TO BE IDENTICAL  
WITH JOHN D. WILLARD, JR., SET OUT IN RE TEL DATED APRIL EIGHT LAST  
AND IF SO, SHOULD NOT BE REINTERVIEWED.

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TO: DIRECTOR, MEMPHIS, BIRMINGHAM (44-1740)

FROM: LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

MURKIN.

RE BIRMINGHAM TEL TO BUREAU, APRIL NINE, INSTANT,  
CONCERNING ERIC STARVO GALT, TWO SIX ZERO EIGHT HIGHLAND  
AVENUE, SOUTH, BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA.

DON E. CASWELL, SPECIAL AGENT, STANDARD OIL COMPANY OF  
CALIFORNIA, LOS ANGELES, ADVISED CHECK STANDARD OIL CREDIT  
CARD OFFICES, LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY, DISCLOSED NO CREDIT CARD  
ACCOUNT IN NAME GALT WITH STANDARD OIL COMPANY OF CALIFORNIA  
WHICH INCLUDES WESTERN STATES, STANDARD OIL COMPANY OF TEXAS,  
STANDARD OIL COMPANY OF KENTUCKY AND CAL OIL EAST (CHEVRON EAST  
COMPANY).

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TO: SAC, MEMPHIS  
FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574) (P)  
RE: MURKIN  
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OO: Memphis

Enclosed for the Memphis Division is one blue business reply envelope of the Portable Power Company, 3756 Tracy Street, Los Angeles, California, bearing a postmark of Perry, Florida and a return address of "WILLIAM P. (illegible), 1118 Southhampton Street, Perry, Ga., 415"; one rectangular slip of white paper, inscribed on both sides the words, "Death Comes to Martin Luther King. The Truth is our Prime objective-----Death is already inevitable for the Black B-----d;" and one expended .30 caliber shell casing.

These enclosures were furnished to SA THEODORE M. GARDNER on 4/8/68 by Mr. ART DE LUCA, Plant Manager, O & R Engines, Inc., 3340 Emory Street, Los Angeles, California, along with the following information regarding the circumstances by which he came to acquire them:

During the first part of 1964, possibly as early as January, O & R Engines, Inc., acquired a number of small portable generators from a bankrupt company which owed them a large debt. Having no real use for these generators, it was decided to market them through a mailing house. This was

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done under the fictitious name of the Portable Power Company, and a large quantity of the above-described blue business envelopes were sent out by the mailing house.

The enclosed envelope was returned in response to this marketing program, and is the only such envelope retained by O & R Engines, Inc. Mr. DE LUCA has kept it in his desk since its return and did not think it important until the assassination of KING occurred on 4/4/68.

In view of the fact DE LUCA advised that an undetermined number of individuals have handled the enclosures, and because Los Angeles is unaware of the details of the investigation surrounding captioned case, the above evidence is being furnished to the Memphis Division rather than being submitted to the FBI Laboratory and further leads are being left to the discretion of the office of origin.

Inasmuch as the postal guide shows there is both a Perry, Florida, and a Perry, Georgia, information copies of this communication are being furnished to those offices covering these locations.

FD-302 will be prepared on above-described investigation, and will be retained by the Los Angeles Division unless advised to the contrary by Memphis.

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TO DIRECTOR, ALBANY, BIRMINGHAM, LOS ANGELES AND MEMPHIS PLAINTEXT  
LOS ANGELES VIA WASHINGTON  
FROM NEWARK (44-854)

MURKIN OO MEMPHIS

RE LOS ANGELES TEL TO BUREAU APRIL SEVEN LAST.

ALBANY TEL TO BUREAU, APRIL EIGHT LAST.

INVESTIGATION RE SUSPECT EDWARD PHILIP MARLOW DOES NOT DISCLOSE HIS WHEREABOUTS AND MARLOW HAS NOT BEEN IN CAMDEN, NJ, FOR SEVEN YEARS. CREDIT RECORDS DISCLOSE LAST KNOWN EMPLOYMENT OF MARLOW IN NJ AREA AS PITTSBURGH PLATE GLASS CO., MOORESTOWN, NJ, AND COMPANY MOVED FROM AREA BACK TO PITTSBURGH IN ONE NINE SIX THREE.

CARMEN GRAZIANA WHO OPERATES LAUNDRY AT COLLINGSWOOD, NJ, AND WHO FORMERLY OPERATED CUSTOM CLEANERS, WESTMONT, NJ, ADVISED LAUNDRY MARK ON QUESTIONED T SHIRT AND SHORTS NOT MADE IN HIS LAUNDRY. GRAZIANA DOES NOT CLEAN ANY UNDER CLOTHING AND HIS OPERATION USES DIFFERENT  
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CODE THAN THAT ON QUESTIONED LAUNDRY TAPE.

DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLE RECORDS, TRENTON, NJ,  
DISCLOSE IN ONE NINE SIX TWO EDWARD PHILIP MARLOW WAS INVOLVED  
IN A CAR ACCIDENT IN PENNSAUKEN, N.J. AND HIS DRIVER'S LICENSE  
WAS REVOKED. MARLOW HAS NOT APPLIED FOR A NEW DRIVER'S LICENSE  
SINCE THAT TIME AND HIS RESIDENCE LISTED WITH MOTOR VEHICLES  
BUREAU WAS TWO ZERO TWO FOUR WESTMINISTER AVE., CAMDEN, N.J.  
INVESTIGATION AT WESTMINISTER AVENUE ADDRESS, CAMDEN, FOR MARLOW  
NEGATIVE.

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223AM URGENT 4-9-68 RJM

TO DIRECTOR MEMPHIS AND BIRMINGHAM  
FROM LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

MURKIN, CR.

DETECTIVE STRUM, NEWTON STREET DIVISION LAPD, TONIGHT ADVISED COMPLAINT RECEIVED FROM ROBERTA EDWARDS AND CATHLEEN MABLE MC BRIDE, SISTERS, RESIDING NINE ONE ZERO W. EIGHT ONE STREET, LOS ANGELES, ALLEGING MISTREATMENT BY UNKNOWN WHITE MALE DURING COURSE THREE HOUR DRIVE THROUGHOUT SOUTH LOS ANGELES THIS AFTERNOON. UNKNOWN WHITE MALE FORCED GIRLS OUT OF VEHICLE AFTER REPORTEDLY MAKING STATEMENT HE HAD KILLED DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING IN MEMPHIS AND HAD JUST ARRIVED LOS ANGELES FROM MEMPHIS BY JET.

MC BRIDE LOCATED AND INTERVIEWED BY BUAGENTS REPEATING ABOVE INFORMATION. SHE ADVISED UNKNOWN WHITE MALE DESCRIBED AS TWENTY-FIVE, FIVE FEET NINE INCHES, ONE SEVEN ZERO POUNDS, RUDDY COMPLEXION, BROWN HAIR, WEARING ORANGE PANTS, WHITE SHIRT, BLACK SHOES. HE WAS MEAN LOOKING AND USED FOUL LANGUAGE. HE WAS DRIVING ONE NINE SIX FIVE DODGE, CHERRY RED IN COLOR, CALIFORNIA LICENSE R O E ONE EIGHT THREE. HE WAS ACCOMPANIED BY  
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Sheets. *RS*

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NEGRO MALE, TWENTY YEARS, WEARING WHITE SHIRT AND BLACK PANTS.

UNSUBS APPARENTLY KNEW EACH OTHER, ACCORDING TO MC BRIDE.

INVESTIGATION REFLECTS VEHICLE REGISTERED TO TRANS AMERICAN  
LEASING, ONE ONE FIVE SEVEN SO. <sup>OLIVE</sup> ~~HOPE~~ STREET, LOS ANGELES WHOSE  
RECORDS WILL BE AVAILABLE EIGHT AM FOUR NINE INSTANT.

LOS ANGELES WILL INTERVIEW ROBERTA EDWARDS, SISTER OF  
MC BRIDE IN AM OF FOUR NINE. BOTH FEMALES KNOWN TO LOCAL POLICE  
AS HUSTLERS. WILL CHECK RECORDS TRANS AMERICAN LEASING COMPANY  
AND ASCERTAIN NAME OF LEASOR.

INVESTIGATION CONTINUING.

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TO: DIRECTOR AND MEMPHIS  
FROM: LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

MURKIN. CR.

~~FREDERICK JONES~~, ONE ONE TWO FIVE WEST BIRCH STREET,  
OXNARD, CALIFORNIA, FORMER POSTAL EMPLOYEE, VENTURA COUNTY,  
AND FORMER PRESIDENT, VENTURA COUNTY CHAPTER, NAACP, TODAY  
ADVISED HE KNOWS OF INDIVIDUAL CAPABLE OF ASSASSINATING DR. KING.  
HE IDENTIFIED INDIVIDUAL AS ~~HENRY EWELL HARTFORD~~, FORMERLY  
WITH JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI POST OFFICE, WHO TRANSFERRED TO  
VENTURA, CALIFORNIA POST OFFICE WHERE HE MADE IT PLAIN HATED  
NEGROES. HE WAS REPORTEDLY CONNECTED WHITE CITIZENS COUNCIL,  
VENTURA. HE RECENTLY TRANSFERRED TO THE MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE  
POST OFFICE WHERE HE WOULD HAVE ARRIVED MARCH THIRTY, LAST.

MEMPHIS REQUESTED DETERMINE HARTFORD'S WHEREABOUTS AND  
POTENTIAL.

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FREDERICK JONES, ONE ONE TWO WEST BIRCH STREET,  
OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, FORMER POLICE CHIEF, ALABAMA COUNTY,  
AND FORMER THREE STAR, ALABAMA COUNTY CHIEF, NATION, TODAY  
ADVISED HE KNOWS OF INDIVIDUALS OF ASSASSINATING MR. KING.  
HE IDENTIFIED INDIVIDUAL AS NAME BROWN HARRISON, FORMERLY  
WITH BROWN, NATION, NATION, NATION, NATION, NATION, NATION  
ALABAMA, CALIFORNIA POST OFFICE WHERE HE MADE IT PUBLIC LATER  
NATION. HE WAS REPORTEDLY CONSIDERED WITH OTHERS COORDINATE  
NATION. HE WAS REPORTEDLY CONSIDERED WITH OTHERS COORDINATE  
POST OFFICE WHERE HE WOULD HAVE ARRIVED NATION THIRTY, NATION.  
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**Complaint Form**  
FD-71 (Rev. 10-26-65)

NOTE: Hand print names legibly; handwriting satisfactory for remainder.

Indices: ☐ Negative ☐ See below

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| Subject's name and aliases<br>Assassination of Martin Luther King |                            |   |        | Address of subject   |            | Character of case<br>RM   |
| Complainant<br>FREDRICK JONES                                     |                            |   |        | Complainant's address and telephone number<br>1125 W. Birch St.,<br>Oxnard<br>(805) 483-3835 |            | Complaint received<br><input type="checkbox"/> Personal <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Telephonic<br>Date 4-9-68 Time 10-06am. |
| Subject's Description   | Race                       | Sex<br><input type="checkbox"/> Male<br><input type="checkbox"/> Female | Height | Hair   | Build      | Birth date and Birthplace   |
|   | Age                        |   | Weight | Eyes   | Complexion |   |
|   | Scars, marks or other data |   |        |  |            |   |

**Facts of complaint**

C related he is a former post office employee in Ventura. He added he was the former President of the County Chapter of the NAACP and has talked with Agents of the Ventura Office on many occasions.

C said he wished to pass along some information for whatever it may be worth. He said in connection with the killing of DR. KING, he believes he knows of an individual that would be capable of doing such a thing. He said the mans name is HENRY EWELL HARTFORD. HARTFORD transferred from the Jackson, Mississippi Post Office to the Post Office in Ventura. While he was employed there he made it obvious he hated Negroes. He was one of the main figures in the "White Citizens Council" in Ventura. C said he has recently transferred to the Post Office in Memphis, and should have arrived in Memphis the Saturday prior to the shooting.

C said the man was so radical that he could possibly be the assassin.

Action Recommended

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TO DIRECTOR; SAC'S PHILADELPHIA, BIRMINGHAM, AND MEMPHIS  
FROM SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

MURKIN

RE NYTELS APRIL EIGHT LAST AND APRIL NINE INSTANT.

INVESTIGATION AT U.S. POST OFFICE, LANCASTER, CALIF.,  
REFLECTED THAT JOHN D. WILLARD, JR. ON FEBRUARY TWO FIVE  
NINETEEN SIXTY SEVEN FURNISHED FORWARDING ADDRESS OF TWO FOUR  
WEST GOVERNOR ROAD, HERSHEY, PENNSYLVANIA.

MAJOR EDWIN A. POST, BOQ, EDWARDS AIR FORCE BASE,  
LANCASTER ADVISED ON APRIL NINE INSTANT THAT HE KNEW WILLARD  
WHILE HE WAS ASSIGNED TO EDWARDS AIR FORCE BASE AND DESCRIBED  
HIM AS WHITE, MALE, AGE THREE ONE YEARS, SINGLE, FIVE FEET  
EIGHT INCHES, ONE FIVE ZERO POUNDS, SANDY HAIR.

PHILADELPHIA HANDLE.

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TO DIRECTOR, BIRMINGHAM, MEMPHIS AND LOS ANGELES  
FROM SAN DIEGO 44-387 2P

MURKIN.

REBUTEL TO ALL CONTINENTAL OFFICES APRIL EIGHT LAST.

RECORDS, SAN DIEGO COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE, SO NUMBER  
ONE SIX EIGHT SEVEN THREE SEVEN, FOR HARVEY EDWARD LOHMEYER,  
REPEAT LOHMEYER, REFLECT FOLLOWING;

LOHMEYER ARRESTED OCTOBER TWENTY, NINETEEN FIFTYEIGHT,  
ON CHARGE ATTEMPTED BURGLARY AND WAS SENTENCED FEBRUARY  
EIGHTEEN, NINETEEN FIVE NINE, TO INDETERMINATE SENTENCE  
CHINO STATE PRISON, CHINO, CALIFORNIA, AND WAS TRANSPORTED  
TO CHINO, CALIFORNIA, FEBRUARY TWENTY, NINETEEN FIVE NINE.

FOLLOWING BACKGROUND RE LOHMEYER SET FORTH;

WMA, BORN [REDACTED] AT QUINCY,  
ILLINOIS, BROWN HAIR, BLUE EYES, FIVE FEET EIGHT AND A HALF  
INCHES, ONE THREE FIVE POUNDS, LIGHT COMPLEXION, AVERAGE  
BUILD, TATTOO "MOM" RIGHT FOREARM, ADDRESS ROUTE BOX ONE  
EIGHT EIGHT, EL CAJON, CALIFORNIA, CLOSEST LIVING RELATIVE  
ALICE FENTON, SISTER, ROUTE BOX ONE EIGHT EIGHT, EL CAJON.

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AT TIME OF ARREST LOHMEYER INDICATED RESIDENCE IN STATE  
AND COUNTY FOR THREE WEEKS IN THE UNITED STATES FOR LIFE.

LOS ANGELES AT CHINO STATE PRISON REVIEW RECORDS  
HARVEY EDWARD LOHMEYER, AND SET FORTH LEADS TO LOCATE TO  
DETERMINE IF IDENTICAL UNSUB AND ALSO OBTAIN LATEST PHOTOGRAPH  
AND FURNISH TO APPROPRIATE OFFICES.

BUREAU REQUESTED TO COMPARE FINGERPRINT CARD OF HARVEY  
EDWARD LOHMEYER, SAN DIEGO COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE NUMBER  
ONE SIX EIGHT SEVEN THREE SEVEN, WITH KNOWN LATENT PRINTS  
OF UNKNOWN SUBJECT IF ANY.

SAN DIEGO ATTEMPT TO LOCATE HARVEY EDWARD LOHMEYER  
THROUGH ALICE FENTON, ROUTE BOX ONE EIGHT EIGHT, EL CAJON,  
CALIFORNIA.

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TO DIRECTOR, MEMPHIS, BIRMINGHAM, AND SACRAMENTO  
 FROM LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

MURKIN CR

RE SAN DIEGO TEL TO BUREAU APRIL NINE INSTANT.

FOR INFO SACRAMENTO, FOLLOWING SET FORTH IN RETEL:

"RECORDS, SAN DIEGO COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE, SO NUMBER  
 ONE SIX EIGHT SEVEN THREE SEVEN, FOR HARVEY EDWARD LOHMEYER,  
 REPEAT LOHMEYER, REFLECT FOLLOWING:

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ALICE FENTON, SISTER, ROUTE BOX ONE EIGHT EIGHT, EL CAJON.

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AT TIME OF ARREST LOHMEYER INDICATED RESIDENCE IN STATE AND COUNTY FOR THREE WEEKS IN THE UNITED STATES FOR LIFE.

LOS ANGELES AT CHINO STATE PRISON REVIEW RECORDS HARVEY EDWARD LOHMEYER, AND SET FORTH LEADS TO LOCATE TO DETERMINE IF IDENTICAL UNSUB AND ALSO OBTAIN LATEST PHOTOGRAPH AND FURNISH TO APPROPRIATE OFFICES."

CONTACT WITH PRISON AT CHINO, CALIFORNIA APRIL NINE INSTANT DETERMINED LOHMEYER NOT IN CUSTODY AND NO RECORD LOCATED FOR HIM. PRISON OFFICIALS STATE IF LOHMEYER RELEASED FROM CHINO MORE THAN ONE YEAR AGO ALL RECORDS FOR HIM WILL BE LOCATED AT RECORDS FACILITY, CALIFORNIA MEDICAL FACILITY, VACAVILLE, CALIF.

SACRAMENTO AT VACAVILLE HANDLE.

AM COPIES TO SAN DIEGO.

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FROM SAC LOS ANGELES (44-1574)  
MURKIN

RE BUTELS APRIL EIGHT LAST AND APRIL NINE INSTANT,

~~LOS ANGELES TELETYPE TO BUREAU APRIL EIGHT LAST,~~ + APRIL 9 INSTANT  
+ Bureau Tel ~~CALL TO LA~~ APRIL NINE INSTANT.  
1. PLIER PHASE

~~DEAN WHITMORE~~ PURCHASER OF PAIR OF IDENTICAL ONE  
DOLLAR AND NINETY EIGHT CENT PLIERS LOCATED, INTERVIEWED AND  
PLIERS OBSERVED STILL IN HIS POSSESSION. NAMES AND ADDRESSES  
OF SIX ADDITIONAL CHARGE ACCOUNT CUSTOMERS WHO HAVE PURCHASED  
THESE PLIERS SUBSEQUENT TO OCTOBER, SIXTY SIX LOCATED DURING  
CHECK OF ROMPAGE HARDWARE CO. CREDIT INVOICES. THESE CUSTOMERS  
BEING INTERVIEWED.

~~TOM WARE~~, FORMER STORE MANAGER, ROMPAGE HARDWARE  
LOCATED, INTERVIEWED. HE HAD NO RECOLLECTION OF SPECIFIC SALE  
OF ANY SUCH PRICED PLIERS TO ANY INDIVIDUAL. OTHER FORMER  
EMPLOYEES BEING INTERVIEWED.

2. NAME CHECK PHASE

NAMES HARVEY LOWMEYER AND LOWMYER WITH VARIOUS VARIATIONS  
CHECKED THROUGH INDICES WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. THESE NAMES WITH  
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VARIOUS VARIATIONS BEING CHECKED THROUGHOUT LOS ANGELES DIVISION VIA CITY DIRECTORIES, TELEPHONE DIRECTORIES, VOTER REGISTRATION RECORDS, CREDIT AND CRIMINAL RECORDS, UTILITY RECORDS, AND OTHER PLAUSIBLE RECORDS. NO RECORDS FOUND OF NAMES HARVEY LOWMEYER OR LOWMYER FOUND THUS FAR. SOME VARIATIONS NOTED AND BEING CHECKED FURTHER. THIS PHASE CONTINUING.

3. LAUNDRY PHASE

INVESTIGATION INSTITUTED TO CONTACT ALL LAUNDRY COMPANIES IN THE LA DIVISION TO LOCATE THOSE USING SUSPECT CODE.. NONE LOCATED THIS DATE.

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4.- ●: UNSUB DRIVING SIXTY FIVE DODGE, TWO DASH DOOR,  
RED IN COLOR, BEARING CALIFORNIA LICENSE ROE ONE EIGHT  
THREE.

INVESTIGATION INDICATES ABOVE VEHICLE REGISTERED TO  
TRANSAMERICAN LEASING COMPANY, ONE ONE FIVE ZERO SOUTH  
OLIVE STREET, LOS ANGELES, WHO LEASED VEHICLE TO SEACREST  
COMPANY, SIX ONE FIVE ZERO CENTURY BOULEVARD, LOS ANGELES.  
2 VEHICLE BEARING ABOVE LICENSE FOR SIXTY FIVE GREEN PLYMOUTH,  
FOUR DASH DOOR STATION WAGON USED BY EMPLOYEE OF SEACREST  
IN AGOURA ON CONSTRUCTION SITE AND HAS NOT BEEN IN SOUTH  
CENTRAL LOS ANGELES AREA.

ROBERTA EDWARDS INTERVIEWED AND REPEATED INFORMATION  
GIVEN BY CATHLEEN MC BRIDE ON APRIL EIGHT LAST.

RECORDS, CENTRAL RECEIVING HOSPITAL (CRH), LOS ANGELES,  
REFLECT                      MC BRIDE AND EDWARDS, AS ATTENDING  
RELATIVE, WERE TRANSPORTED TO CRH FROM RESIDENCE, NINE ONE  
ZERO WEST EIGHT FIRST STREET, LOS ANGELES ON APRIL EIGHT  
LAST IN LAPD MOBILE UNIT.

MC BRIDE WAS DIAGNOSED BY CRH AS <sup>having</sup> ACUTE ASTHMATIC  
ATTACKS CAUSED BY ADVANCED NARCOTIC USE.

ATTENDING CRH NURSE JUNE HAY ASHI ADVISED MC BRIDE  
HAD EXTENSIVE NEEDLE MARKS IN BOTH ARMS AND ATTENDING



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PHYSICIAN HAD EXTREME DIFFICULTY IN GIVING HER INTRAVENOUS MEDICATION. HAY ASHI SAID THAT MC BRIDE WAS EXTREMELY IRRATIONAL, <sup>Belligerent</sup> ~~Beligient~~ AND UNCOOPERATIVE. MC BRIDE WAS CHARGED SEVEN DOLLARS FOR HOSPITAL CALLS AND RELEASED WITH RECOMMENDATION SHE RECEIVE MEDICAL ATTENTION FROM HER OWN PHYSICIAN.

MC BRIDE WAS DRIVEN BY BUAGENTS OVER <sup>Routes</sup> ~~Route~~ SHE CLAIMED UNSUB TOOK DURING RIDE, APRIL EIGHT LAST.

MC BRIDE UNABLE TO RECALL ANY POINTS EN ROUTE, WHICH SHE TOLD INTERVIEWING AGENTS UNSUB HAD TAKEN HER TO ON APRIL EIGHT LAST.

MC BRIDE ALSO CLAIMED SHE AND EDWARDS WERE DRIVEN TO CRH FROM UNKNOWN AREA ~~OF~~ LOS ANGELES AFTER BEING RELEASED OUT OF CAR BY UNSUB.

IN VIEW OF FACT MC BRIDE IS NARCOTIC ADDICT, IN FACT, HER STORY RELATING TO TRIP TO CRH AND TRIP AROUND TOWN WITH UNSUB, CANNOT BE RECALLED, NO FURTHER INVESTIGATION IS BEING CONDUCTED RE UNSUB DRIVING SIXTY FIVE RED DODGE.



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Re.  
~~RE~~ WILLIAM LOHMEYER

JAMES LEE, ONE SEVEN ONE TWO SEVEN MALADA, FONTANA, CALIFORNIA, NEIGHBORHOOD SOURCE ADVISED TODAY THAT WILLIAM LOHMEYER, EIGHT THREE FIVE MANGO STREET, FONTANA, OBSERVED AT HIS RESIDENCE ON APRIL FOUR LAST, ABOUT FOUR P.M. SOURCE DESCRIBED LOHMEYER AS WHITE, MALE, LATE FORTIES EARLY FIFTIES, ONE SIX FIVE POUNDS, BLUE EYES, LIGHT GRAY BROWN HAIR, CREW CUT, OCCUPATION SALESMAN.

FONTANA PD INDICES NEGATIVE. LOS ANGELES INDICES NEGATIVE.

*Investigation ~~at present~~ continuing.*

