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TO LOS ANGELES
FROM NEW ORLEANS 157-10673

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MURKIN

RE PHOENIX TELETYPE TO DIRECTOR MAY THREE, LAST, AND
NEW ORLEANS TELETYPE TO DIRECTOR MAY FOUR, LAST.

RE TELEPHONE CALLS BY SUBJECT RAY EN ROUTE FROM LOS
ANGELES TO NEW ORLEANS.

ON MAY THREE, LAST RECORDS MOUNTAIN STATES TELEPHONE CO.,
PHOENIX, ARIZONA, REFLECT ONLY NEW ORLEANS CALL FROM PHONE
BOOTH IN RE EL PASO TELETYPE FOR DECEMBER FIFTEEN, SIXTEEN AND
SEVENTEEN, WAS CALLED ON DECEMBER SIXTEEN SIXTYSEVEN, MADE
FROM SEVEN SEVEN TWO ZERO SIX FOUR SIX IN ELPASO TO TWO EIGHT
TWO SEVEN FIVE NINE ONE, NEW ORLEANS.

ON MAY FOUR AND MAY SIX, SIXTYEIGHT, ARNOLD AND ISABELLE
THOMAS, NEGROES, THREE FIVE TWO THREE HAMBURG ST., NEW ORLEANS,
WHO HAVE TELEPHONE TWO EIGHT TWO- SEVEN FIVE NINE ONE LISTED
TO THEM WERE INTERVIEWED CONCERNING CALL FROM ELPASO, TEXAS,

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ON DECEMBER SIXTEEN, SIXTYSEVEN. THOMAS AND WIFE COULD NOT RECALL ABOVE PHONE CALL, BUT STATED PERHAPS THEIR SON, ARNOLD THOMAS, JR. HAD MADE PHONE CALL, THOMAS, JR., RESIDES ONE FIVE ZERO EAST ONE ONE PLACE, LOS ANGELES, CALIF.

LOS ANGELES LOCATE AND INTERVIEW ARNOLD P. THOMAS, JR. DETERMINE IF HE MADE PHONE CALL ON DECEMBER SIXTEEN, SIXTYSEVEN.

AIRMAIL COPIES MEMPHIS, PHOENIX AND EL PASO.
ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

DATE: 5/7/68

FROM : SA WILLIAM JOHN SLICKS

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re LA memo of SA H. LA MARR GUNN, 4/20/68, (Re Officer L. Linaker).

On 5/6/68, Mrs. IRMA PICKERING, 12871 Safford, Garden Grove, California, advised that she is employed by Wanda's Dress Shop in Garden Grove. She advised that on Friday afternoon, April 19, 1968, a white male came into her dress shop and purchased three items of black lingerie. She stated that this man did not check the sizes of the items he purchased, and his actions scared her to the point that she almost rang an alarm bell. She advised that she believed the man was hiding from someone, and was attempting to obtain a disguise.

Mrs. PICKERING advised that the man's hair was either blond or light brown, was medium length, and was messed. She stated that he did not speak with any noticeable accent, and she did not notice the color of his eyes. She further described this man as being caucasian, 27-32 years, and average in height and build.

Mrs. PICKERING observed two recent photos of JAMES EARL RAY. She advised that RAY was not the man she saw in the store. She advised she originally observed a photograph in the newspaper, and this photo was reported to be eight years old. She stated that the older photograph bore a strong resemblance to the man who came into the dress shop, but this man is not identical to the recent photographs of RAY.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

DATE: 5/6/68

FROM SA J. CLAYTON TAYLOR

SUBJECT MURKIN

Re April 29, 1968 letter from Mrs Mary (Minnie) Willard.

Mary Willard, 95 Diabalo St., Ramon Traylor Park, Palm Springs, California was interviewed 5/2/68 and she said she was quite upset that the man charged with the killing of MARTIN L. KING would select the name John Willard, which was the name of her deceased husband, and is an old and honored American name. She said she is a naturalized citizen from Canada, 69 years of age, and intends to spend the summer in Canada and is fearful that she may be stopped at the border and be suspected of being the wife of the man who killed King.

Mrs Willard said that when she and her husband owned and rented property in Los Angeles in 1952, two men came and wanted to rent. She has been thinking about that situation and thinks one of these men could be RAY who at that time found out her husbands name was JOHN WILLARD and thereafter used the name in Memphis.

Mrs. Willard did not appear to be completely rational in her reasoning or conservation.

NO action recommended.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

DATE: 5/7/68

FROM : SA WILLIAM JOHN SLICKS

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re LA memo of SA DAVID E. ROBINSON, 4/29/68, (Re Joe Brown).

On 5/6/68, JOE BROWN, Owner, Evans Motel, 4635 East Slauson Ave., Maywood, California, advised that on the afternoon of 4/18/68 he rented one of his rooms to an individual who resembled a newspaper photograph of MARTIN LUTHER KING'S killer. He advised that this man checked in with a woman and he observed both of them carry some kind of pans into their room. He advised that they stayed in their room for the remainder of the day, and he did not see this man until the following morning.

BROWN advised that he went to their room the following morning to collect that day's rent. He stated that the man came to the door with only a pair of pants on, and appeared very groggy. He advised that it appeared the man had been drunk or used drugs, but he could not smell or see any evidence of this. He advised that this man gave him seven dollar bills for that day's rent. He advised that he did not see the woman in the room at that time, and did not see either of them for the remainder of the day or night. He stated that this man gave him seven dollars the following morning, but this time only put his hand through the door, and did not show himself.

BROWN advised that this man and woman checked out that afternoon and he examined their room. He stated that he found two empty beer cans, a rack of short-play records, and noticed that all the furniture in the room had been pushed into the area of one corner. Examination of these records showed them to be of the rock and roll variety.

BROWN described the individual as white, male, mid-thirties, dark hair which was disheveled, blue eyes, a small scar on his forehead, medium build. He advised that this man did not speak with any sort of accent. He also advised that the man was very poorly dressed in wrinkled clothing. He observed two recent photos of JAMES EARL RAY and advised RAY is not identical to the man at his motel. He advised that the contour of RAY'S face is much different from the individual at ~~his~~ motel.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

DATE: 5/6/68

FROM : SA THEODORE M. GARDNER

SUBJECT: MURKIN

The following investigation was conducted by SAs GARDNER and DENNIS C. LEMASTER, at Hollywood, California, on 4/17/68, in an effort to locate TOM WASHINGTON, a former acquaintance of ANITA KATZWINKEL:

Mr. PETER LATTANZI, Manager, Sunset Bowl, 5401 W. Sunset Blvd., advised that a review of his records revealed that TOM WASHINGTON was a member of the Kaiser-Permanente bowling league, during August, 1967. LATTANZI stated that league now bowls at the Hollywood Stars Bowling Alley. He recalled WASHINGTON as being a Negro male, who dated white women, and who was employed at the Kaiser Foundation Hospital.

DOROTHY GORELICK, Clerk, Kaiser Foundation Clinic Personnel Office, advised that she had determined from LOIS WADE, who is employed at the hospital's cafeteria, that WASHINGTON owns his own maintenance company, is not employed at the hospital, and resides in Santa Monica, California.

Mrs. LOIS WADE, Manager, Kaiser Foundation Hospital Cafeteria, 4867 Sunset Blvd., advised that she is the Secretary-Treasurer of the hospital's bowling league, and that WASHINGTON is a member of this league. WASHINGTON owns his own maintenance company and resides at 1934 E. 19th St., Santa Monica, California.

Attempts to locate WASHINGTON at the above-address were negative, and a message to him to call the FBI Office was left in the mailbox of Apartment 3 at that address.

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Date 5/6/68

STEPHEN BRANDT, Deputy District Director for Administration, Los Angeles County Public Social Services (Social Welfare), 14545 Lenark Street, Panorama City, California, made available the following information:

Name	ELIZABETH ANN (BATISTIC) DE ROUEN
Case Number	1930 141 7403
Sex	Female
Date of Birth	[REDACTED]
Race	Negro
Height	5'4"
Weight	125 pounds
Hair	Black
Social Security Number	[REDACTED]
Education	High School Graduate Attended one year at Port Arthur (Texas) Junior College (Business Administration)
Parents	ISADORE and CORINA BATISTIC (Both deceased)
Marital Status	Separated Married to MILFIN NOREM SIMIEN a Negro, June 22, 1962 at Anahuac, Texas. Divorced in 1963; one child - LISA STEPHANIE SIMIEN was born [REDACTED] at Galveston, Texas.

She lived in a common-law relationship with RAYMOND DE ROUEN, SR., a Negro, from March 1963 to September 1965 when they separated; one child - RAYMOND DE ROUEN, date of birth [REDACTED] at Port Arthur, Texas.

She lived with LEWIS MIGAS, white male, age 44, 5'10", 200 pounds,

On 5/2/68 at Los Angeles, California File # Los Angeles 44-1574

by SA FREDRICK E. BECKER and 44-1574-1138
SA WILLIAM G. ATHERTON/WGA/clp Date dictated 5/2/68

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Residences

curly dark hair, dark eyes,
heavy build (November 28, 1967)

Claims residency in Los Angeles
since June 1965

2430 Florence Avenue
Los Angeles, California

516 North Harvard Boulevard
Los Angeles, California

675 North Kenmore Avenue
Los Angeles, California
(January 13, 1967)

4613 $\frac{1}{2}$ South Vermont
Apartment 5
Los Angeles, California
(March 27, 1967)

1169 Virgil Street
Los Angeles, California
(November 1967)

3340 Floyd Terrace
Los Angeles, California
(October 1967)

11827 South Figueroa
Apartment 9
Los Angeles, California
(February 1968)

Employment History

Mrs. W. M. BURNETT
W. M. Burnett Realty Company
Twin City Highway
Port Arthur, Texas

Port Arthur College
Port Arthur, Texas

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State Employment Office
Venice and Broadway
Los Angeles, California
August-October 1966

ROBERT or BEATRICE FRIEDMAN
Los Angeles, California
Maid
June-July 1966

Mr. and Mrs. ROBERT MAHAMA
516 North Harvard
Los Angeles, California
Maid
October 1966-January 1967

Cal Femme
June 1966

Pac Amusements
June 1967

Desmonds
June 1967

It is noted that DE ROUEN lists RITA STEINS as a cousin and Mr. and Mrs. RICHARD STEIN as unrelated adult references. Mr. STEIN was listed as a writer for television commercials.

Physician

Dr. JOHN JEAN
Hollywood Western Medical Center
931 North Western Avenue
Los Angeles, California
On August 9, 1967

DE ROUEN is presently being investigated by Los Angeles County for unreported income.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

DATE: 5/6/68

FROM : SA STEPHEN L. DURKIN

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Serial 469.

Referenced serial reflects that Sergeant JOHN ISBELL, Lakewood Sheriff's Office, Lakewood, California, advised that an unknown occupant in Apartment 23 at 16219 Eucalyptus, Bellflower, had some rifles and Bazooka and sex books. It was assumed that this unknown person fit the description of JAMES EARL RAY.

The individual at Apartment 23, 16219 Eucalyptus, was determined to be ROBERT ERNEST EMBLETON. EMBLETON was interviewed on 4/24/68 by SA STEPHEN L. DURKIN. EMBLETON is not and does not in any way resemble the subject, JAMES EARL RAY.

While interviewing EMBLETON, he related that he is a gun collector and displayed numerous weapons that he had in his apartment. Some of the weapons are as follows:

- (1) British 303 Lewis machine gun (inoperative)
- (2) Japanese machine gun (inoperative)
- (3) German rocket launcher
- (4) 40 mm Russian Mortar
- (5) Boyer 55 caliber anti-tank weapon
- (6) 15 rifles
- (7) Two hand guns
- (8) Numerous bayonets

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EMBLETON advised that when he was moving from his last residence, the Lakewood Sheriff's Office stopped him and questioned him about his weapons and did not arrest him. EMBLETON stated he believes that his weapons comply with the state laws but that if he is in violation, he would gladly return any weapon to the Sheriff's Office if they believe he is not entitled to have them.

The information concerning EMBLETON was furnished to Sergeant SAVAGE of the Lakewood Sheriff's Office and to CHARLES JONES, Alcohol and Tax Unit, U. S. Treasury Department, Los Angeles, California.

EMBLETON is described as follows:

Sex	Male
Race	White
Date of birth	
Place of birth	Long Beach, California
Height	6'2½"
Weight	180 pounds
Hair	Brown
Eyes	Hazel; wears glasses
Employment	Douglas Aircraft , Long Beach, California
Mother	QUEENEE VICTORIA EMBLETON, 4802 Whitewood, Long Beach, California
Military service	U. S. Army

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Date: 5/6/68

Transmit the following in _____
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(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)
RE: MURKIN

RE WILLIAM HOWARD JAMISON

On 5/3/68, WILLIAM HOWARD JAMISON was contacted at this residence located at 1948 Clinton Street, Los Angeles, California. He stated that he was in Kansas City, Kansas, at the time of the MARTIN LUTHER KING murder.

JAMISON, since his release from jail after serving one year in jail for throwing two Molotov cocktails through the front window of a bookstore, has stayed away from members of the John Birch Society and now operates the "Gospel Wings" located at 903 Burlington Avenue, Los Angeles, California. JAMISON stated that he is now only interested in his religion, and his work as an evangelist. JAMISON holds revivals and open air meetings in the Los Angeles, California, area.

JAMISON was shown photographs of JAMES EARL RAY and he stated that he has never seen RAY, and if he did he would immediately notify the FBI.

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710PM URGENT 5-6-68 LCS

TO DIRECTOR 44-38861, BIRMINGHAM, LOS ANGELES, KANSAS CITY,

AND MEMPHIS

FROM ATLANTA 44-1987

MURKIN

SUMMARY OF INVESTIGATION MAY SIX INSTANT.

EXPANDED AIRLINE CHECK CONTINUING, INCLUDING AIRPORT LIMOUSINE DRIVERS. NO PERTINENT INFORMATION RECEIVED TO DATE.

JIMMY GARNER REINTERVIEWED AND SHOWN PHOTO OF SUBJECT RECEIVED FROM U.S. POSTAL INSPECTOR, LOS ANGELES. GARNER STATES THIS PHOTO BEST LIKENESS OF SUBJECT HE HAS SEEN TO DATE.

EXPANDED SAFETY DEPOSIT BOX CHECK CONTINUING.

HIPPIE ROOMING HOUSES AND SOURCES IN NARCOTIC FIELD CONTACTED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-106670)
FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-57229)
SUBJECT: DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
SM - C

Re Los Angeles teletype 4/26/68 captioned MURKIN.

Mrs. THEODORE L. EVANS, 4295 Don Carlos Drive, Los Angeles, CALIFORNIA, was interviewed on 4/26/68 by SA's WALTER M. BRADY and GILBERT G. BENJAMIN, JR. At the outset of the interview Mrs. EVANS, who stated she was also known as DOLORES EVANS and DODIE EVANS, was advised that the reason for interview was in connection with the investigation into the assassination of Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., on 4/5/68 at Memphis, Tennessee.

Mrs. EVANS stated that she would be more than happy to cooperate with the FBI regarding this investigation. Mrs. EVANS stated that she has followed this case in the news media and admires the long hours and intensive effort the FBI has been devoting to this particular case. She also expressed her thanks to the FBI and its personnel for other investigations conducted in the civil rights field.

Mrs. EVANS stated that she first met Dr. KING in 1961. She said he had performed the wedding ceremony for a member of her family in Newark, New Jersey. She said that her friendship with Dr. KING had been a close and intimate one, explaining that she felt and has always credited him with saving her marriage to Dr. THEODORE EVANS. Mrs. EVANS continued that this close relationship with Dr. KING was also shared by her husband and other members of her family. She related that frequently when Dr. KING was attending to business matters on the west coast, including guest preaching engagements, she would see

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him, indicating that these meetings were a family type get-together.

Mrs. EVANS stated that she had absolutely no idea as to any person who would have wanted to kill Dr. KING, nor could she imagine why anyone would have wanted to kill him or have him killed. She stated that if any information of such a nature should come to her attention, she would immediately notify the FBI.

Mrs. EVANS stated that she frequently watches the Sunday evening television program, "The FBI", as she considers it one of the better television programs being aired locally. She said she was glad that the personal appearance of the interviewing agents had not shattered the mental image she had built up regarding Special Agents of the FBI. She said she also appreciated the great strides forward the FBI had made in professionalizing local law enforcement through its training programs and its scrupulous protection of the rights of the individual.

Mrs. EVANS volunteered the information that she and her husband had placed their home with a real estate broker, hoping for an early sale, as they feared for the life of their infant daughter. Mrs. EVANS explained that on two occasions recently she had "fished" her daughter out of their backyard swimming pool, which is very close to the sliding glass back door of their home. She indicated that she and her husband were afraid that the little girl would some day climb into the swimming pool when either they themselves or a baby sitter was not on the scene, and that the baby would drown.

On the date of interview several attempts were made to contact Mrs. EVANS for appointment for interview. Since she was not able to be reached, contact was made with her husband, Dr. THEODORE L. EVANS. He stated he would have no objections to the FBI interviewing his wife. He stated he felt she should be at home later in the day, and he would appreciate being advised at the termination of such interview.

Mrs. EVANS was eventually contacted during the late afternoon of 4/26/68 at her residence. During the course of the interview there were numerous interruptions created by her

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daughter, age approximately 3 years, running about the room. There were further interruptions by her maid regarding plans for the dinner menu and by a female house guest passing through the room.

At the conclusion of the interview Mrs. EVANS telephonically contacted her husband at his office, at which time the interviewing agents advised him that his wife had been interviewed and the interview terminated.

Numerous opportunities were given Mrs. EVANS to expand on the nature of her personal relationship with Dr. KING, but on each such occasion she changed the subject to another topic. As the ultimate goal was to determine if she had any suspects in the killing of Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, it did not seem prudent at this time, under the circumstances and with the lack of security, to push her for details regarding the intimate relationship she and Dr. KING maintained.

Through personal observation of the interviewing agents, the following physical description of Mrs. EVANS was obtained:

Sex:	Female
Race:	Negroid
Age:	Mid-30's
Height:	5'6" - 5'7"
Weight:	125 pounds
Build:	Medium, lithe
Hair:	Black, long (shoulder length), straight, parted in the middle, modified pageboy styling
Eyes:	Dark brown, large
Teeth:	White, well formed, regular
Complexion:	Light chocolate
Appearance:	Attractive, pleasant smile
Walk:	Catlike, effortless grace
Speech:	No noticeable accent, speaks easily and intelligently
Dress:	Flashy, brightly colored calypso-styled lounging pajamas
Occupation:	Housewife

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Residence: 4285 Don Carlos Drive
Los Angeles, California 90008
Telephone: AMinster 4-3997 (unlisted)
Relatives: Husband - Dr. THEODORE L. EVANS
Occupation - Dentist
Office: 2608 West Santa Barbara Ave.
Los Angeles, California
Daughter - "SISSY" (phonetic)

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

DATE: 5/3/68

FROM : SAC, WFO (44-703) (P)

SUBJECT: MURKIN

ReLateletype 5/2/68.

RE: RICHARD LEE OGG

WFO files reflect no photo of RICHARD LEE OGG, however, files reflect 1964 photo of OGG in possession FBI Identification Division.

WFO has submitted FD-9 and requested photo of OGG be forwarded to Los Angeles Division.

Los Agneles advise WFO of any positive identification,

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574) DATE: 5/7/68

FROM : SA J. CHARLES MERRIMAN

SUBJECT: MURKIN

At approximately 2:00 pm, 5/7/68, VERNE SCHLOTZHAUER, 6912 South Sausalito, Canoga Park (Los Angeles), California, residence telephone 883-9112, and who is a retired Los Angeles policeman, and who is presently employed at Department of Water and Power, City of Los Angeles, 6000 Van Nuys Boulevard, Van Nuys, California, telephonically advised as follows:

At about 6:30 am on 5/7/68, while en route to work, SCHLOTZHAUER observed a man who somewhat resembles JAMES EARL RAY's photos seen in local news media, which man was driving a white Wildcat Buick (1965 or thereabouts), bearing Louisiana license plates, number 96G-616, which Buick was noted going east on Victory Boulevard between Topanga and Winnetka in Canoga Park.

SCHLOTZHAUER stated he preferred being contacted at his place of employment between 7:00 am and 3:30 pm.

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

Indices: ☐ Negative ☐ See below

Subject's name and aliases			Address of subject			Character of case MURKIN		
Complainant DAN CASEY			Complainant's address and telephone number 115 E. 98th St., Inglewood 671-8671			Complaint received <input type="checkbox"/> Personal <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Telephonic Date <u>5-3-68</u> Time <u>11-04am.</u>		
Subject's Description	Race	Sex <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female	Height	Hair	Build	Birth date and Birthplace		
	Age		Weight	Eyes	Complexion			
	Scars, marks or other data							
<p>Facts of complaint</p> <p>C said he had just come from Big Joe Joes' Bar at Century Blvd., and Sepulveda. He said he had had a "couple of beers" there. C said there was a man, looking exactly like "GALT" at the bar since about 9-30am this date. He was dressed in a blue and white checked sports shirt and unknown colored slacks. He was drinking "Vodka and something." C said he was about 5'9", and had a very noticable protruding left ear. He again stated the man looked just like the published pictures of "GALT." C said as the man got up to leave, he followed him out and wrote down the license number of the car he drove away in. It was MNX-341, a late model Chevrolet, white in color. He turned east on Century Blvd.,</p> <p>DMV reflects MNX-341 is registered to: 1964 Chevrolet, coupe, LOUIS PAUL SERBAS, Box 434, Suisun City, California.</p> <p><i>See Serbas 1109</i></p> <p><i>Sumner Serbas</i></p> <p><i>Page dictated airtel 5/3/68</i></p> <p><i>2:55pm 44-1574-1195</i></p>								
Action Recommended						<p>1968</p> <p>FBI — LOS ANGELES</p>		
<p>Philip S. Andrist (Agent)</p>								

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC Los Angeles 137-6762

DATE: 5-8-68

FROM : SA JAMES A. NORTON

☐ CI ☐ SI ☐ R (Prob)

SUBJECT: MELVIN SCHUETTE
PCI

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Dates of Contact 4-9, 30-68		
Titles and File #s on which contacted 44-1574 MURKING 25-79356 RICHARD C. DUGAN		
Purpose and results of contact <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NEGATIVE <input type="checkbox"/> POSITIVE <input type="checkbox"/> STATISTIC PCI was telephonically contacted 4-9-68 regarding MURKING. He was advised of possible identity of subject and furnished description. He was also advised not to disclose information to anyone and if he had anyone in the Hotel to immediately advise if he had any suspicions. PCI advised he was not acquainted with RICHARD DUGAN, but would be alert for him. On 4-30-68 PCI advised he has no information on MURKING. He was shown photograph and furnished instruction as to activity to take if he learned anything or had any suspicions.		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating GOOD	Coverage Fugitive. Skid Row Coverage

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TO DIRECTOR 44-38861 AND LOUISVILLE 44-947 AND LOS ANGELES 44-1574
FROM MEMPHIS 44-1987 1 P

MURKIN

RE LOUISVILLE AIRTEL TO BUREAU MAY ONE LAST RE TELEPHONE BOOTH,
ST. FRANCIS HOTEL, LOS ANGELES.

|| SINCE POSSIBILITY EXISTS SUBJECT RAY MAY HAVE BEEN
ATTEMPTING TO LOCATE ALONZO F. COOK JR. BY TELEPHONE CALL PLACED
AT NINE TWELVE P.M. JAN. TWELVE LAST FROM ST. FRANCIS HOTEL TO
TELEPHONE NO. THREE THREE THREE - TWO SEVEN TWO EIGHT AT
STURGIS, KY., INVESTIGATION IS DESIRED TO FULLY IDENTITY COOK
AND HAVE HIM INTERVIEWED RE POSSIBLE ASSOCIATION WITH JAMES EARL
RAY.

LOUISVILLE REINTERVIEW MRS. VERA D. COOK, STURGIS, KY.,
OR HER SON JAMES P. COOK, IF AVAILBALE, IN ORDER TO DEVELOP
FULL BACKGROUND INFO RE COOK JR. THEREAFTER SET FORTH APPRO-
PRIATE LEADS TO HAVE COOK JR. INTERVIEWED.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, Los Angeles

DATE: 4/26/68

FROM : GERALDINE M. WEBER

SUBJECT:

Mr. ~~JOHN ROVICK~~, television actor known as "Sheriff JOHN," who is a personal friend of the writer, called to advise that he is now at KTTV this date, 4/26/68, at 3:30 P.M., in connection with his television show.

He stated he had just been with ~~JACK SCOTT~~, who is director of the "Truth and Consequences" show and recently SCOTT had been in various parts of the city shooting film. About two weeks ago he shot some film at Hollywood and Vine and in reviewing the film this date both ROVICK and SCOTT felt they saw a man resembling JAMES EARL RAY. SCOTT told ROVICK that this man crossed the intersection and when he, the stranger, saw he was being filmed he made a fast ninety degree turn and disappeared into the crowd immediately.

SCOTT and ROVICK both feel the man filmed is someone the FBI is interested in. He said the film is in the Film Screening Room of KTTV, Sunset and Van Ness Streets, telephone 462-7111 and invited the FBI to come out and review it. Mr. ROVICK will be leaving about 4:00 P.M., but Mr. SCOTT is at the above telephone, Ext. 461, or Stage A of the Truth and Consequences show.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574) (P)

DATE: 5/6/68

FROM : JAMES R. PACE

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re memo of GERALDINE M. WEBER dated 4/26/68.

On 4/26/68, the writer went to KTTV, met JACK SCOTT, and viewed the film in question. SCOTT stated that the film had been shot about two weeks earlier at the intersection of Hollywood and Vine, Los Angeles. He did not have a single frame exposure of the individual who he felt resembled RAY. He stated that his office would attempt to have a single frame enlarged and make this available to this office.

On 5/3/68, SCOTT contacted this office and advised that the above enlargement was ready and could be picked up at his office by the FBI. On that date, the writer picked up this ~~enlargement~~ enlargement and in the presence of SCOTT it was compared with the photograph of RAY which had earlier been obtained from the "Local Swingers". It was obvious that the photograph of RAY did not resemble the individual in the above enlargement. SCOTT agreed that there was no similarity at all.

SCOTT was thanked for his assistance and interest in the matter. The enlargement made available ~~from SCOTT~~ by SCOTT is being placed in the B section of this file.

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Indices: ☐ Negative ☐ See below

Subject's name and aliases			Address of subject			Character of case MURKIN			
Complainant BEN GIBBONS, 2113 N. CENTRAL AVE., COMPTON			Complainant's address and telephone number #635-4315			Complaint received <input type="checkbox"/> Personal <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Telephonic Date 5/7/68 Time 3:30PM			
Subject's Description	Race	Sex <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female	Height	Hair	Build	Birth date and Birthplace			
	Age		Weight	Eyes	Complexion				
	Scars, marks or other data								
	<p><i>477-822</i></p> <p><i>2nd 4/10/1200</i></p> <p>Facts of complaint</p> <p>COMPLAINANT IS EMPLOYED BY HARDMAN AEROSPACE, 1845 BUNDY DRIVE, WEST L.A., WHICH FIRM HIRED A MAN A FEW DAYS AGO, WHOSE NAME IS UNKNOWN TO COMPLAINANT, WHO WORKS ON THE SECOND SHIFT AT THE TOOL CRIB IN "PLANT" OR BUILDING #2 AT THAT ADDRESS, AND WHO MUCH RESEMBLES RAY'S DESCRIPTION.</p> <p>COMPLAINANT SAID HE WOULD DESCRIBE THE MAN AS FOLLOWS: MALE, WHITE, ABOUT 35 YRS., 5' 8" OR 5' 9", 165#, HAIR MIXED GREY CUT SHORT (ABOUT 1/2" LONG, BUT NOT CREW CUT), GREEN EYES.</p> <p>COMPLAINANT PARTICULARLY NOTICED THE MAN'S "HARD PAIR OF EYES," THAT HE TUGS AT HIS RIGHT EAR, AND IS APPARENTLY UNACQUAINTED WITH HIS JOB.</p> <p><i>Lead card follow</i> <i>24 hrs file</i> <i>1150</i></p> <p><i>44-1574</i></p>								
Action Recommended						<p>CHECK OUT.</p> <p>WM. J. McCAULEY (Agent)</p>			

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Date: MAY 3, 1968

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

TO: DIRECTOR, (44-38861)

FROM: NEW ORLEANS (157-10673)

MURKIN

RE: LETTER SIGNED BILLY BOB DAVID AND
~~XXXXXXXX~~
ASSOCIATES TURNED INTO MONROE, LA.POLICE DEPARTMENT JUNE TWENTY TWO
NINETEEN SIXTY FIVE.

WILLIAM R. DAVID, DALE TAYLOR, G.E. JOHNSON, DICKIE MC INTOSH AND KENT HALE HAVE ALL BEEN LOCATED AND INTERVIEWED. THEY ALL STILL RESIDE IN AREA OF CALHOUN, LA. THEY ALL ADVISE THEY HAVE NO INFORMATION ~~WHATEVER~~ WHATEVER RELATIVE TO THE MURDER OF MARTIN LUTHER KING. THEY STATED THAT THE LETTER WRITTEN, BUT NOT MAILED, IN NINETEEN SIXTY FIVE WAS MERELY A PRANK OF HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS AND WAS NEVER INTENDED AS A THREAT AGAINST AGAINST THE PRESIDENT OR MARTIN LUTHER KING. THEY ALL DENIED EVER BEING ASSOCIATED WITH ANY KLAN OR HATE ~~TYPE~~ TYPE ORGANIZATION. WHEREABOUTS OF ABOVE PERSONS FOR THE PERIOD OF APRIL FOUR, NINETEEN SIXTY EIGHT ACCOUNTED FOR. *THEY ALL ADVISE THAT JAMES EARL RAY IS UNKNOWN TO THEM.*

RE: CONTACTS WITH MOTELS LOCATED

ALONG TULANE AVE. NEW ORLEANS

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Approved: _____

Special Agent in Charge

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1 AM copy to ME, BH, AT, LA.

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Date:

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plaintext or code)Via _____
(Priority)

INASMUCH AS IT HAS BEEN DETERMINED THAT JAMES EARL RAY WAS IN NEW ORLEANS PROBABLY ON THE EVENING OF MARCH TWENTY ONE SIXTY EIGHT, MOTELS LOCATED ALONG TULANE AVE WHICH IS ADJACENT TO THE DOWNTOWN AREA OF NEW ORLEANS WERE CONTACTED. MOTEL RECORDS CHECKED AND CONTAINED NO INFO IDENTIFIABLE WITH RAY UNDER HIS TRUE NAME OR KNOWN ALIASES. PERIOD CHECKED WAS FROM MARCH SEVENTEEN THRU TWENTY FOUR SIXTY EIGHT.

RE: CONTACT IN RESIDENTIAL AREA'S
KNOWN TO BE FREQUENTED BY HIPPIES.

CONTACTS IN ABOVE AREAS IN LOUISIANA BEING CONTINUED AND TO DATE CONTACTS REGARDING JAMES ~~XXXX~~ EARL RAY IN THESE AREAS HAVE BEEN NEGATIVE.

RE: INFORMANT CONTACTS

TO DATE CONTACTS WITH CRIMINAL AND APPROPRIATE SECURITY AND RACIAL INFORMANTS HAVE BEEN UNPRODUCTIVE IN REGARDS TO RAY. CONTACTS CONTINUING.

AM COPIES TO MEMPHIS, BIRMINGHAM, ATLANTA AND LOS ANGELES.
INVESTIGATION AT NEW ORLEANS CONTINUING . ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

Approved: _____ Sent _____ M Per _____
Special Agent in Charge

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Indices: ☐ Negative ☐ See below

Subject's name and aliases THOMAS RANDAL			Address of subject		Character of case MURKIN
Complainant MRS DONNIE PARKEY			Complainant's address and telephone number 7535 ¹ / ₂ Purdy St. Bell Gardens, Calif. 927-7359		Complaint received <input type="checkbox"/> Personal <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Telephonic Date <u>5-8-68</u> Time <u>8/35am</u>
Subject's Description	Race Cauc	Sex <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female	Height 6'	Hair Lt Brn	Birth date and Birthplace
	Age 30s	Weight 180	Eyes light color	Complexion light	
	Scars, marks or other data				

Facts of complaint

C. stated she had seen the picture in the morning paper of RAY and feels that this person is identical to a ~~XXXXXX~~ tenant she has staying at the above address. C. stated this person, subject, is living with a mexican female ant three children. The vehicle the subject drives is reg. to TOM DOLTAR, 10758 Weaver, El Monte, Calif.

C. stated she would like to have an agent come and see her in ref to the subject and show her a better picture of the subject. C. stated she will be home all from work today because of illness.

Today
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K. L. Mullins
R. H. K.

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Larry E. Mullins
(Agent)

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FBI CHICAGO

329 PM DEFERRED 5/7/68 PAK

TO DIRECTOR (44-38861) AND MEMPHIS, LOS ANGELES (44-1574), PHOENIX,
LAS VEGAS, DENVER (157-203) ALBUQUERQUE, AND EL PASO.
FROM CHICAGO (44-1114) 2P

MURKIN

RE LOS ANGELES TEL MAY FOUR LAST REGARDING INTERVIEW
AT LOS ANGELES INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT MAY THREE LAST CONCERNING
CALL BY UNITED AIRLINES (UAL) PERSONNEL DESCRIBING INDIVIDUAL
AS POSSIBLE LOOK A LIKE OF JAMES EARL RAY.

FOLLOWING UAL FLIGHTS CHECKED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS
MAY SIX LAST RELATIVE TO TRAVEL OF CARL RAY, DENVER TO
LAS VEGAS OR LOS ANGELES MAY ONE AND TWO LAST.

ONE SIX THREE BOTH DAYS, TWO FOUR ONE, MAY ONE, TWO
FOUR THREE, MAY TWO, THREE FIVE NINE, MAY ONE, EIGHT FIVE
SEVEN, MAY TWO.

NO RECORD AVAILABLE FLIGHTS ONE SIX NINE AND EIGHT
SEVEN ONE.

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Carl Ray *R*

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THE BUREAU AND ALL OFFICES NOTE UAL MAINTAINS NOR PREPARES PASSENGER MANIFEST AS SUCH. ONLY RECORD OF FLIGHT IS PORTION OF TICKET TAKEN FROM PASSENGER JUST PRIOR TO BOARDING AIRCRAFT. THESE FORWARDED UAL HEADQUARTERS DAILY WHERE THEY BECOME KEYPUNCHED IMMEDIATELY UPON ARRIVAL AND ARE SOMETIMES UNAVAILABLE FOR EXAMINATION FOR SIX OR SEVEN DAYS.

INVESTIGATION CONTINUING.

AM COPY BIRMINGHAM.

END

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FBI LOS ANG.

FBI LOS ANG.

FBI MIAMI

7:54PM EST 5-7-68 URGENT RGT
TO DIRECTOR (44-38861) AND LOS ANGELES (44-1574)
FROM MIAMI (44-1854)

MURKIN. CIVIL RIGHTS.

RE LOS ANGELES TEL TO THE BUREAU APRIL TWENTYNINE,
LAST, AND BALTIMORE TEL TO LOS ANGELS AND MIAMI MAY
FOUR, LAST.

RE TELEPHONE BOOTH ST. FRANCIS HOTEL, LOS ANGELES.

MAX MENDELSON INTERVIEWED, MIAMI, THIS DATE AND ADVISED
HE WAS IN LOS ANGELES DURING FEBRUARY AND MARCH, SIXTYEIGHT,
AND RESIDED ONE SEVEN TWO SEVEN GARFIELD PLACE, APT. SIX
WITH HIS SISTER AND USED TELEPHONE IN ST. FRANCIS HOTEL TO
CALL HIS DAUGHTER. MENDELSON VIEWED PHOTOGRAPHS OF JAMES
EARL RAY AND WAS UNABLE TO RECALL SEEING HIM.

AM COPIES TO MEMPHIS AND KANSIS CITY. ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

END

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

DATE: 6/7/68

FROM : SA DENNIS C. LE MASTER

SUBJECT: MURKIN

ROBERT KEELEY, desk clerk, St. Francis Hotel,
5533 Hollywood, Blvd., Los Angeles, California, advised
that JOE PETERS is no longer employed by the St. Francis
Hotel management. KEELEY said that according to his
information PETERS quit. KEELEY provided this information
on 5/1/68.

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R. K. [signature]

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Subject's name and aliases GLEN PARKER				Address of subject		Character of case MURKIN								
Complainant LT. HAMILTON LASO				Complainant's address and telephone number Homicide LASO		Complaint received <input type="checkbox"/> Personal <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Telephonic Date 5-6-68 Time 4/26pm								
Subject's Description	Race	Sex <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female	Height	Hair	Build	Birth date and Birthplace								
	Age		Weight	Eyes	Complexion									
	Scars, marks or other data													
	Facts of complaint													
<p>C. stated one of his men had had a telephone call from an anonymous caller who furnished the following information:</p> <p>The caller stated JAMES EARL RAY has a friend by the name of GLEN PARKER who at this very minute is at the WALLACE Headquarters in Bell Gardens, Calif. WALLACE Headquarters is located at Eastern & Jabonneria, Bell Gardens, Calif.</p> <p><i>7939 South Eastern Ave, Bell Gardens.</i> <i>927-1454.</i></p>														
Action Recommended 44-1574 Larry E. Mullins (Agent)				<p>44-1574-1156</p> <table border="1"> <tr> <td>SEARCHED</td> <td>INDEXED</td> </tr> <tr> <td>SERIALIZED</td> <td>FILED</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2">MAY 7 1968</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2">FBI - LOS ANGELES</td> </tr> </table>			SEARCHED	INDEXED	SERIALIZED	FILED	MAY 7 1968		FBI - LOS ANGELES	
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Memorandum

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

DATE: 5/7/68

FROM : SA ROBERT H. CLAUDIUS

SUBJECT: MURKIN
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Re FD 71 Complaint Form of IC LARRY E. MULLINS dated 5/6/68.

At 4/26/P.M. on 5/6/68 Lieutenant NORMAN HAMILTON, Homicide Division, LASO, telephonically advised that one of his men had received an anonymous telephone advising that JAMES EARL RAY has a friend by the name of GLEN PARKER who was presently at the WALLACE Headquarters in Bell Gardens, California. The WALLACE Headquarters is located at 7939 South Eastern Avenue, Bell Gardens, California, telephone number 927-1454.

On 5/7/68 the writer contacted Mr. GLENN PARKER, 6021 Gotham Avenue, Bell Gardens, telephone number 927-0903, at the above listed headquarters. He was exhibited all the photos available of JAMES EARL RAY, aka. John Willard, Harvey Lowmyer and Eric Starvo Galt. He advised that he has never observed the person in the photographs nor do the names listed mean anything to him.

PARKER advised that the North Hollywood Office of the Wallace Headquarters opened about the last week of October, 1967 and was closed down about January 3, 1968 after enough registrations had been obtained to place WALLACE's name on the California ballot. PARKER furnished the following names of persons whom he knew to have been associated with the office in North Hollywood:

EMMETT EATON, CHARLES THOMPSON, COY SMITH, PIERRE PELHAM and (FNU) HOLIFIELD. He advised the aforementioned persons were all out here from Alabama. He said that Mrs. OPAL WHITE, BEATRICE NICOLA, CHARLES PITCHFORD and (FNU) MC BRIDE were all persons who reside in the Valley and served as office help.

Mr. PARKER further added that he had traveled to Parkersburg, West Virginia on 3/31/68 and returned to Los Angeles on 5/2/68. He advised that he helped operate the Parkersburg campaign office while there. He advised he was in Parkersburg at the time MARTIN LUTHER KING was assassinated and has subsequently observed the photograph of RAY in several magazines and newspaper. He concluded by reiterating that he could not identify the photographs nor did any of the four names utilized by RAY mean anything to him.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

DATE: 5/3/68

FROM : SA EUGENE B. McCARTHY

SUBJECT: MURKING

Re Memo of SA H. LA MARR GUNN at Los Angeles, 4/20/68

On 5/3/68 JOHN JONES, aka Little John, J.J., was interviewed was interviewed by SA EUGENE B. McCARTHY. JONES advised that he knows VINCENT FURFARO to play pool with in the neighborhood but has no knowlege of any JAMES RAY or LOWMYER (FNU). JONES Advised that had he played pool with such a man he would recognize his picture or would have remembered his name and he does not.

On 5/3/68 RALPH MARRA owner of Ralphs Barber shop 6th Street, Los Angeles, advised that he knows most of the people in the neighborhood and does know VINCENT FURFARO. MARRA advised that FURFARO was a trouble maker in the neighborhood, had been a professional fighter and "appeared to be a little mixed up in the head" MARRA advised that no one in the neighborhood would raise bail for him since no one liked him. MARRA advised that he does not recognize the picture of JAMES EARL RAY and he has never heard any of his aliases used in the neighborhood.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

DATE: 4/25/68

FROM : SA EUGENE B. MCCARTHY

SUBJECT: MURKING

Re Memo of SA H. LA MARR GUNN at Los Angeles, 4/20/68

On 4/25/68 VINCENT JAMES FURFARO was interviewed by SA's ROBERT H. CLAUDIUS and EUGENE B. MCCARTHY at Los Angeles County Jail where FURFARO is incarcerated for bookmaking.

FURFARO advised that he knows JAMES EARL RAY as JAMES RAY and stated that RAY told him he has used the name LOWMYER (FNU). FURFARO advised that he met RAY around May of 1967 in Los Angeles while playing pool at West 6th and Union in the Tavern Bar, the Shanty Bar and the Tiki Bar.

FURFARO advised that he was arrested on January 30th 1968 in front of these bars at about 9am. He advised that at this time he had just talked to RAY on the street and Ray said he was going to bar in some beach community but FURFARO could not give any information on where this beach community might be located. He also stated RAY mentioned that he worked tending bar in a place "around Hollywood" possibly a club. He drinks screwdrivers and beer.

FURFARO advised that he knew RAY around the taverns about 8 months and never knew where he lived whether he owned a car or had a girl friend or any other information about him. He advised RAY was never seen in the company of anyone male or female and was never seen in a car. FURFARO advised that in one of there conversation RAY mentioned he was going home to Missouri and then to Texas for an unknown period and purpose. At that time from Texas he would return to the beach area. He never expressed any hatreds or bigotry and never discussed racial matters. Never talked about girls and in fact FURFARO only knew him to play pool with and nothing about the man.

FURFARO advised that the Photo on left of wanted poster looks mostly like RAY.

FURFARO advised that the following was the only discription he has of RAY;

5' 11"
175 lbs
Blue eyes
Dark Brown hair
full head of hair combed straight back parted
can not remember which side.

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Nothing unusual about nose
medium muscular build
did not notice any watch or rings
no scars marks or tattoos (not even on head)
Very quite did not talk very much

FURFARO advised that the city that seems to be in his mind that RAY mentioned he would visit while in Texas was Houston. FURFARO advised that he can not say why he feels the city would be Houston but he feels it was.

FURFARO stated that he did not see RAY for about 7 or 8 weeks around late September or late August or October 1967.

FURFARO advised that a person by the name of J.J. or "Little James" a small man around 40 years old, White, would also know RAY but not any more than FURFARO. This man hangs around the bars mentioned on the last page and could be found by asking any of the bar tenders in the previously mentioned bars.

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Date: 5/7/68

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

Re Houston airtel to Los Angeles dated 5/2/68
re T. T. ROSS, P.O. Box 17252, Los Angeles.

Personnel, U. S. Post Office, Los Angeles,
advised 5/7/68 that P. O. Box 17252 has been subscribed
to by TERRY TARA M. ROSS, 738 South Coronado, Los Angeles
since October, 1965.

Los Angeles indices reflect that TERRY MILDRED
ROSS, aka Tara Ross, Terry M. Ross, last known address
423 West 8th Street, Los Angeles is a chronic complainant
who has periodically contacted the Los Angeles Office with
non-specific information of a rambling and incoherent nature
frequently about Russian spies and Bureau fugitives since
at least 1962.

It is noted that Los Angeles file 62-5436-2 contains
a November, 1962 letter from this individual which was
directed to True Detective Magazine, New York City, and which
states that a then Bureau fugitive regularly patronized a
Los Angeles area dance hall on Saturday and Sunday nights.
It is further noted that the handwriting in this 1962 letter
appears to be identical to that in the letter signed T. T.

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- 1 - Houston (44-1509) (Info)
- 2 - Kansas City
- ② - Los Angeles

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ROSS, and that both letters have identical numbers (1 through 3) at the beginning of each paragraph.

It appears that T. T. ROSS is identical to TERRY MILDRED ROSS, aka and no further investigation re this letter is being conducted by the Los Angeles Division.

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Date: 5/7/68

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(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR (44-38861), MEMPHIS, PHOENIX

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

SUBJECT: MURKIN

RE MARIE MARTIN:

ATTEMPTS TO LOCATE MARIE MARTIN, ST. FRANCIS HOTEL, ROOM ~~2001~~ TWO ZERO ONE, FIVE FIVE THREE THREE HOLLYWOOD BLVD., LOS ANGELES NOT SUCCESSFUL AS SHE IS OUT OF TOWN. REVIEW OF TELEPHONIC MESSAGES REVEALED TWO ITEMS OF INTEREST: ONE NOTE READ, QUOTE CALL SUE IN NEW YORK END QUOTE; THE OTHER, QUOTE ~~LARRY MORRIS~~, TWO SEVEN SEVEN DASH NINE EIGHT EIGHT ONE. END QUOTE. THE LATTER TELEPHONE NUMBER BEING CHECKED OUT.

NORMAN COX ^{advised} ~~said~~ THAT ALTHOUGH HE RENTS ROOM TWO ZERO SIX, ST. FRANCIS HOTEL FOR PURPOSE OF TAKING BOOKMAKING BETS, HE HAS NOT OCCUPIED THAT ROOM ^{himself} IN EXCESS OF A MONTH. HE SAID HE IS NOT A CLOSE ASSOCIATE OF MARIE MARTIN, ~~THAT~~ HE DOES NOT AND HAS NOT PIMPED FOR MARTIN NOR ENGAGED IN ANY BUSINESS ACTIVITY WITH HER, LEGITIMATE OR ILLEGITIMATE. COX SAID IT IS POSSIBLE FOR ~~one of persons~~

^{taking bets in} ~~ROOM~~ TWO ZERO SIX TO BE AN ASSOCIATE OF MARTIN'S. HE HAS NO

EVIDENCE OR KNOWLEDGE OF MARTIN BEING INVOLVED IN PROSTITUTION, ~~SELLING~~ SELLING OF NARCOTICS OR BOOKMAKING. COX STATED MARTIN MAY ^{SEARCHED} ~~USE~~ ^{INDEXED}

WJN:CM

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NARCOTICS ON OCCASSION. RECALLS SEEING RAY IN HOTEL BUT KNOWS
NOTHING ABOUT HIM.

JOE PETERS, FORMER BARTENDER, SULTAN ROOM, ST. FRANCIS
HOTEL SHOWN PHOTOGRAPH OF JAMES EARL RAY ~~ALSO~~ TAKEN AT
PUERTO VALLARTA, MEXICO AND ONE NINE SIX EIGHT PHOTOGRAPH TAKEN
AT LOS ANGELES AMONG OTHERS. PETERS SAID PUERTO VALLARTA
PHOTOGRAPH REMINDED HIM OF INSTANCE DURING WHICH HE BELIEVED
RAY SAID QUOTE HAVE YOU EVER EATEN QUAIL AT THE CAVE IN
NOGALES, MEXICO? END QUOTE. PETERS SAID THAT HE HAD. PETERS
ADVISED QUOTE THE CAVE END QUOTE IS A RESTAURANT IN NOGALES
WHICH IS LOCATED IN A CAVE. PETERS STATED THIS WAS EXTENT OF
CONVERSATION.

PETERS FURTHER ADVISED CHARLES STEIN, ¹⁵⁰² ~~1502~~ HAS BEEN
ENGAGED IN SALE OF NARCOTICS AND SALE OF STOLEN AUTOMOBILES.
STEIN ATTEMPTED TO SELL PETERS HOT CAR APPROXIMATELY ONE YEAR AGO.
Has no knowledge of any current activities.

RE AMERICAN INDEPENDENT PARTY

GLENN PARKER, MANAGER BELL GARDEN'S OFFICE FOR WALLACE
CAMPAIGN WAS EXHIBITED VARIOUS PHOTOGRAPHS AVAILABLE OF JAMES
EARL RAY. PARKER STATED HAS NEVER SEEN SUBJECT NOR WAS HE
ACQUAINTED WITH SUBJECT'S NAME OR ANY KNOWN ALIASES. PARKER
STATED HE WAS IN PARKERSBURG, WEST VIRGINIA, AT WALLACE HEADQUARTERS
DURING PERIOD MARCH THIRTYONE TO MAY TWO LAST.

RE PUERTA VALLARTA ~~XXXX~~ VISITORS

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Date:

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NOTHING AT OUT HIM.

JOE BETERS, FORMER PARTNER, SUITAN ROOM, ST. FRANCIS
HOSPITAL SHOW PHOTOGRAPH OF JAMES EARL RAY AS TAKEN AT
PUERTO VALLARTA, MEXICO AND ONE WITH ST. FRANCIS PHOTOGRAPH TAKEN
AT LOS ANGELES AMONG OTHERS. BETERS SAID PUERTO VALLARTA
PHOTOGRAPH REMINDED HIM OF INSTANCES BEING WHICH HE REMINDED
RAY SAID PHOTO HAVE YOU EVER SAID QUAIL AT THE CAVE IN
NOGALES, MEXICO? END QUOTE. BETERS SAID THAT HE HAD. BETERS
ADVISED QUOTE THE CAVE HAD QUOTE IS A RESTAURANT IN NOGALES
WHICH IS LOCATED IN A CAVE. BETERS SAID THIS WAS EXACTLY OF
CONVERSE. BETERS FURTHER ADVISED CHANNING STEIN, WHO HAS BEEN
ENGAGED IN SALE OF NARCOTICS AND SALE OF STOLEN AUTOMOBILES.
STEIN ATTEMPTED TO KILL BETERS HOT CAR APPROXIMATELY ONE YEAR AGO.
HE AMERICAN INDEPENDENT PARTY
GLENN PARKER, MANAGER BELL GARDENS OFFICE FOR WALLACE
CAMPAIGN WAS EXHIBITED VARIOUS PHOTOGRAPHS AVAILABLE OF JAMES
EARL RAY. PARKER STATED HAS NEVER SEEN SUBJECT NOR WAS HE
ACQUAINTED WITH SUBJECT'S NAME OR ANY KNOWN ALIASES. PARKER
STATED HE WAS IN PARKERSBURG, WEST VIRGINIA, AS WALLACE HEADQUARTERS
DURING PERIOD FROM THIRTYONE TO MAY TWO LAST.
RE PUERTA VALLARTA KKKK VISITORS

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INVESTIGATION CONTINUES TO LOCATE FOR INTERVIEW

RESIDENTS LOS ANGELES AREA ^{who were} VISITING IN PUERTA VALLARTA,
AND NOVEMBER
DURING OCTOBER SIXTY SEVEN AT TROPICANA AND RIO HOTELS.

INTERVIEWS ^{Conducted} ~~NEGATIVE~~ TO DATE ^{for} ANY INFO ABOUT SUBJECT ^{have not been productive}

RE QUOTE THE LOCAL SWINGER END QUOTE

INVESTIGATION CONTINUES AT LOS ANGELES TO INTERVIEW
RECIPIENTS OF MAIL THROUGH THE LOCAL SWINGER. INVESTIGATION
AND THOSE INTERVIEWED TO DATE ^{have not been productive or} ~~NEGATIVE~~ INFORMATION ABOUT
SUBJECT.

INFORMANTS CONTINUE TO BE CONTACTED FOR INFO RE
SUBJECT. NEGATIVE RESULTS TO DATE.

PHOENIX AT THE CAVE RESTAURANT, NOGALES, MEXICO,
CONDUCT INVESTIGATION TO DETERMINE ALL INFORMATION RE SUBJECT ^{He may}
^{have been there in early October while proceeding from Birmingham}
INVESTIGATION CONTINUES AT LOS ANGELES. ^{to Puerto Vallarta}
ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

RECEIVED BY CODED TELETYPE

LOS ANGELES ---07--- 8-30 PM

URGENT 5-7-68 FUD

TO DENVER 157-203 LOS ANGELES 44-1574 MEMPHIS 44-1987 (PLAINTEXT)
FROM DIRECTOR 44-38861 2P

MURKIN.

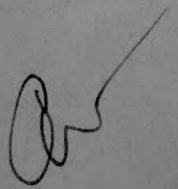
REBUTEL TO LOS ANGELES TODAY SETTING FORTH RESULTS
EXAMINATION OF AIR TRAVEL CREDIT CARD IN NAME OF CARL RAY AND
DENVER AIRTEL MAY FOUR LAST.

FOR INFORMATION MEMPHIS AND DENVER RETEL ADVISED
DIFFERENCES NOTED BETWEEN HAND PRINTING AND CARL RAY
SIGNATURE ON CREDIT CARD WHEN COMPARED WITH KNOWN WRITING
OF SUBJECT JAMES EARL RAY BUT LIMITED NATURE OF QUESTIONED
MATERIAL PRECLUDED DEFINITE OPINION.

*Tickets
recovered
L.A.*

RE DN AIRTEL SUBMITTING FRONTIER AIRLINES
TRANSPORTATION RECEIPT BEARING SIGNATURE "CARL RAY"
PURCHASED BY UTILIZING TEMPORARY CREDIT CARD THREE ONE ZERO
EIGHT EIGHT REFERRED TO ABOVE. NO CONCLUSION WHETHER
CARL RAY SIGNATURES ON CREDIT CARD AND FRONTIER AIRLINES

See 1162



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*check additional covered
motels/motels area 5/8/68
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TRANSPORTATION RECEIPT BY SAME PERSON BUT DIFFERENCES
NOTED SUGGESTING POSSIBILITY OF DIFFERENT WRITERS.

2 notes

✓ NO CONCLUSION WHETHER SUBJECT JAMES EARL RAY
WROTE "CARL RAY" SIGNATURE ON FRONTIER AIRLINES
TRANSPORTATION RECEIPT, HOWEVER, SOME HANDWRITING
CHARACTERISTICS IN COMMON NOTED BETWEEN THIS "CARL RAY"
SIGNATURE AND KNOWN WRITING OF SUBJECT RAY. LIMITED
NATURE OF QUESTIONED SIGNATURE AND LACK OF SIGNIFICANT
HANDWRITING CHARACTERISTICS PRECLUDED DEFINITE OPINION.

HN RESULTS OF LATENT EXAMINATION OF FRONTIER
AIRLINES TRANSPORTATION RECEIPT WILL BE FURNISHED
SEPARATELY.

END

VLB

FBI LOS ANGELES

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Date: 5/7/68

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

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
SAC, EL PASO (157-186)

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

MURKIN

RE EL PASO TELETYPE TO BUREAU AND LOS ANGELES
MAY SIX LAST.

RE TELEPHONE CALLS BY SUB EN ROUTE FROM LOS ANGELES
TO NEW ORLEANS.

PRESTON HOPKINS, MANAGER, TEL-COMMUNICATIONS,
CONTINENTAL AIRLINES, LOS ANGELES, ADVISED THIS DATE EL PASO
TELEPHONE NUMBER FIVE THREE THREE FIVE FOUR ONE ONE IS
CONTINENTAL AIRLINES RESERVATION NUMBER IN LOS ANGELES. ANY
TELEPHONE CALL FROM ELPASO, TUCSON, PHOENIX, SAN FRANCISCO,
OR SAN DIEGO CONCERNING RESERVATIONS ON CONTINENTAL AIRLINES
IS ANSWERED BY CONTINENTAL RESERVATION CLERKS IN LOS ANGELES.
TELEPHONE EQUIPMENT INDICATES TO CONTINENTAL AIRLINES EMPLOYEES
THE CITY ^{From} ~~FOR~~ WHICH RESERVATIONS ARE BEING REQUESTED AND THE
EMPLOYEE ANSWERS AS IF THEY WERE IN THAT PARTICULAR CITY.

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IF ALL CLERKS ARE BUSY, THE TELEPHONE EQUIPMENT, SET UP ON A ROTARY BASIS, WOULD BE PLUGGED INTO THE FIRST AVAILABLE RESERVATION CLERK ON DUTY. THE CALL COULD NOT HAVE BEEN TRANSFERRED TO ANOTHER NUMBER.

HOPKINS ADVISED ^{10/16} CAB REQUIRES MAINTAINING RESERVATION *Records* ~~CALLS~~ FOR NINETY DAYS, THEREAFTER THEY ARE DESTROYED, WHICH WOULD BE THE CASE OF A RESERVATION MADE ON DECEMBER SIXTEEN LAST. IF RESERVATION NOT MADE, NO RECORD OF CALL MAINTAINED.

HOPKINS ADVISED THAT ON DECEMBER SIXTEEN LAST APPROXIMATELY FIFTY TO SIXTY CONTINENTAL RESERVATION EMPLOYEES WOULD HAVE BEEN ON DUTY AT TIME OF CALL. ON DECEMBER SIXTEEN LAST SIX THOUSAND CALLS CONCERNING RESERVATIONS WERE RECEIVED. APPROXIMATELY EIGHT HUNDRED CALLS PER DAY ARE RECEIVED FROM EL PASO AREA.

NO FURTHER ATTEMPTS BEING MADE TO ASCERTAIN IDENTITY OF CALLER AT ALPINE, TEXAS, ON DECEMBER SIXTEEN LAST BY LOS ANGELES *in view of record destruction.*

All mail copy to Memphis

Complaint Form
FD-71 (Rev. 10-26-65)

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

Indices: ☐ Negative ☐ See below

Subject's name and aliases			Address of subject			Character of case			
MURKIN (44-1574)						CR			
Complainant			Complainant's address and telephone number			Complaint received			
JULIA FORBES, aka JULIA WANDREY			23114 Ave. San Luis Apartment #4 Woodland Hills, Calif. No telephone			<input type="checkbox"/> Personal <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Telephonic Date 5/7/68 Time 6:44 PM			
Subject's Description	Race	Sex	Height	Hair	Build	Birth date and Birthplace			
	Age	<input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female	Weight	Eyes	Complexion				
	Scars, marks or other data						Mrs. Forbes is living at the above address under the name of Julia Wandrey; her true name is Julia Forbes.		
Facts of complaint									
<p>Mrs. Forbes said she wanted to complain of an "invasion of my rights by the FBI." Her explanation of this statement is as follows:</p> <p>She formerly lived in Room 101 of the St. Francis Hotel, 5533 Hollywood Blvd, Los Angeles. She is separated from RONALD FORBES, 1489 Kansas Ave., San Francisco, and is trying to obtain a divorce from him. Because of this she occasionally contacts him by hi phone. She had him convinced, however, that she was living in Florida rather than California.</p> <p>Tonight, she phoned her husband in San Francisco and he informed her he had learned that she had been living at the St. Francis Hotel in Hollywood. He said he knew this because an FBI Agent by the name of MIKE GARRY (phonetic) had contacted him to inquire about the identity of the person or persons who telephoned him from the St. Francis Hotel in Hollywood. From this he apparently concluded that his wife was staying there, particularly since no one had called him (to his knowledge) from the St. Francis Hotel.</p> <p>Mrs. Forbes was extremely upset and demanded the name of the complaint agent since she wanted "to make sure her complaint was reported." She said she might contact an attorney to see what could be done about it. Mrs. Forbes was furnished SA Bodily's name at which time the discussion ended as she hung up.</p> <p>This complaint is being captioned MURKIN inasmuch as the reference to telephone calls from the St. Francis Hotel make it likely that the contact with Mr. Forbes was in connection with that case.</p>									
Action Recommended			Advise San Francisco Harold R. Bodily (Agent)						
			44-1574-1164 MAY 10 1968 FBI - LOS ANGELES						

*all records
of phone calls
made before*

*File
w/other
copy*

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Indices: ☐ Negative ☐ See below

Subject's name and aliases MURKIN				Address of subject		Character of case CR	
Complainant ANONYMOUS				Complainant's address and telephone number		Complaint received <input type="checkbox"/> Personal <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Telephonic Date <u>5-7-68</u> Time <u>10:50PM</u>	
Subject's Description	Race	Sex <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female	Height	Hair	Build	Birth date and Birthplace	
	Age		Weight	Eyes	Complexion		
	Scars, marks or other data						
<p>Facts of complaint</p> <p>House at <u>1945 Glenwood Rd., Glendale</u>, has been occupied by various persons over the past few years. There is a new group living there and complainant, who refused to give her name, thinks one of them looks like RAY.</p> <p>She describes this person as being in his late 30s with dark hair, 5-10 or 11, med build, wearing brown pants, white shirt.</p> <p>Companion of his, female, blonde-tipped hair, 29-33 yrs of age, 5-2 or 3, slim.</p> <p>Another man: of uncertain age but looks older, wiry, balding, very short, "skinny dark-haired man"</p> <p>This man's female companion: frizzy-blond hair (dyed), hefty.</p> <p>Complainant could furnish no further details except to say that yesterday they had a brown & black car & today they have a blue car.</p> <p>She refused to furnish her name.</p> <div style="text-align: right; margin-top: 20px;"> <p>44-1574-1165</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;"> SEARCHED _____ INDEXED _____ SERIALIZED _____ FILED _____ 1968 FBI - LOS ANGELES <i>J. McHally</i> </div> </div>							
Action Recommended Neighborhood Harold R. Bodily (Agent)							

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Subject's name and aliases				Address of subject		Character of case MURKIN									
Complainant JEWELL BROWN				Complainant's address and telephone number 840 $\frac{1}{2}$ Alta Vista Bl. Los Angeles, Calif. 931-2565		Complaint received <input type="checkbox"/> Personal <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Telephonic Date <u>5-8-68</u> Time <u>8:47am</u>									
Subject's Description	Race	Sex <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female	Height	Hair	Build	Birth date and Birthplace									
	Age	Weight	Eyes	Complexion											
	Scars, marks or other data														
<p>Facts of complaint</p> <p>C stated the picture of RAY in the newspaper this morning looks very similar to a tenant of hers that moved out on April 10, 1968. C said the tenant used the names of GUS XXX STRACCELOS, STARVOS, and STRATTON.</p> <p>C stated he left several items behind and thought this office might be interested in looking at them.</p> <div style="text-align: right; margin-top: 20px;"> <p>44-1574-1166</p> <table border="1"> <tr> <td>SEARCHED.....</td> <td>INDEXED.....</td> </tr> <tr> <td>SERIALIZED.....</td> <td>FILED.....</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2" style="text-align: center;">MAY 8 1968</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2" style="text-align: center;">FBI - LOS ANGELES</td> </tr> </table> <p><i>Decker</i></p> </div>								SEARCHED.....	INDEXED.....	SERIALIZED.....	FILED.....	MAY 8 1968		FBI - LOS ANGELES	
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<p>Action Recommended 44-1574</p> <p style="text-align: center;">IC RICHARD T. VOYLES (Agent)</p>															