

June 4, 1968

Airtel

To: SAC, Atlanta (44-2386)  
From: Director, FBI (44-38861)  
MURKIN

PERSONAL ATTENTION

ReLAairtel 5/23/68.

According to referenced communication, the Intelligence Units of the U. S. Treasury Department have been receiving from Federal Reserve Banks a form known as TCR-1 "Report of Currency Transactions; Person or Organization Concerned in Transaction Reported." These forms are completed or filled in by banks, savings and loan associations, and other financial type institutions when a transaction involves a deposit, withdrawal or other payment or transfer effected by, through, or to such financial institution, which involves the U. S. Currency in which \$10,000 or more is handled.

In view of this, every office receiving this communication will explore the feasibility of obtaining the information from Internal Revenue Service Intelligence Units within their division. It is very possible that the information requested by the Bureau regarding withdrawals of \$10,000 or more from banks could be more readily obtained through the Internal Revenue Service.

If any discussion ensues at banks or other financial institutions, you should not mention the completion and filing of these forms under any circumstances. This information is for your intelligence only.

- 2 - Birmingham (44-1740)
- 2 - Memphis (44-1987)
- 2 - New Orleans (157-10673)
- 1 - Los Angeles (44-1574) (for info)

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Airtel SAC, Atlanta  
RE: MURKIN

This should be handled personally by the SAC, not ASAC, and should not be designated to someone else in SAC's absence. If you are unable to obtain the desired information, advise the Bureau of details.

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## RECORD OF INFORMATION FURNISHED OTHER AGENCIES

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Information concerning:

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Information furnished from File, Serial, and Page Number:

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- ☒ during course of Bureau investigation  
☐ from informants  
☐ from complainants or other sources

Information furnished to:

*SA Anthony Sherman*

Remarks:

*Richard J. Hearn*  
Special Agent

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

San Diego, California

July 8, 1968

GEORGE ROBERT LETSINGER

On June 17, 1968, handprinting obtained from George Robert Letsinger along with the anonymous note received by Assistant Postmaster Joseph Ferror, June 11, 1968, was forwarded to the Bureau Laboratory.

On June 21, 1968, the FBI Laboratory advised that no latent impressions of value were developed on the note or on the known handprinting of George Robert Letsinger.

On June 21, 1968, the Bureau advised that a handwriting examination of the anonymous note obtained by Assistant Postmaster Joseph Ferror, June 11, 1968, was prepared by George Robert Letsinger as determined from the known handprinting of George Robert Letsinger.

This document contains neither recommendations nor conclusions of the FBI. It is the property of the FBI and is loaned to your agency; it and its contents are not to be distributed outside your agency.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

*Memorandum*

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

DATE: 7/8/68

FROM : SAC, SAN DIEGO (44-387)(44-394) (P)

SUBJECT: MURKIN  
OO: Memphis  
  
KENSALT  
OO: Los Angeles

Re San Diego airtels to the Bureau 6/17/68; Bureau letter to San Diego, 6/21/68; and Bureau airtel to San Diego, 6/21/68.

Enclosed for the Bureau are 7 copies of an LHM captioned GEORGE ROBERT LETSINGER, for appropriate dissemination. Enclosed for each office receiving this communication are two copies of the same LHM.

Dissemination has been made locally to U.S. Secret Service.

- 3 - Bureau (Encl. 7) (RM)
- 2 - Memphis (Encl. 2)
- ② - Los Angeles (Encl. 2)
- 2 - Richmond (Encl. 2)
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Date: 7/8/68

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(Priority)

TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

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

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re BA airtel to WFO enclosing copy of BA airtel to LA, 5/8/68. WFO telephone call to BA, 7/8/68.

PAULA QUIGLEY, apartment 404, 1735 New Hampshire Avenue, N.W., Washington, D. C., advised SA ROGER D. ASHLAND on 7/8/68, that KATHERINE OLSON WILLIAR went to Baltimore, Maryland, on 7/3/68, with QUIGLEY. KATHERINE WILLIAR can be contacted through inquiry at the "Schoolroom" in the Park Plaza Hotel at Madison and Charles Streets, Baltimore, Maryland. QUIGLEY said this is a bar and restaurant. She added, KATHERINE WILLIAR visited PATRICIA JAMES, 935 Druid Lake Drive, Baltimore, Maryland, on Wednesday, 7/3/68. QUIGLEY added WILLIAR is interested in Scientology.

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2- Baltimore (44-669)  
1- WFO

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Special Agent in Charge

WFO 44-703

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BALTIMORE

AT BALTIMORE, MARYLAND. Will locate and interview KATHERINE OLSON WILLIAR by making inquiry at the "Schoolroom" in Park Plaze Hotel, and of PATRICIA JAMES, 935 Druid Lake Drive,

F B I

Date: 7/11/68

Transmit the following in \_\_\_\_\_

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Via

AIRTEL

AIR MAIL

(Priority)

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

Re Bureau teletype to all SAC's 4:47 A.M. 4/22/68,  
and Los Angeles teletype to Bureau 11:36 A.M. 4/23/68, no  
copies Memphis or Birmingham.

Pending unsolved bank robbery matters in Los  
Angeles Division occurring since 4/23/67, have been re-  
viewed. No cases wherein the unsub resembles physical  
description of JAMES EARL RAY noted other than those  
previously submitted to the Bureau in referenced Los  
Angeles teletype.

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

Sent \_\_\_\_\_ M Per \_\_\_\_\_



UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

DATE: 7/9/68

FROM : SA WILLIAM JOHN SLICKS

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Los Angeles memo of SA LEONARD M. HALE, 7/1/68,  
(Re SCHONFELD info concerning DONNA LNU)

On 7/3/68, Miss STEPHANIE ADAMS, Assistant Dean of Women, University of Southern California, Los Angeles, California, advised that in 1968 a girl named DONNA SAPIR, residing at 423 South Rexford Dr., Beverly Hills, had "deactivated" herself from A E Phi Sorority. Miss ADAMS stated that she was the only "DONNA" in the sorority.

On 7/3/68, Miss DONNA SAPIR, 423 South Rexford Dr., Beverly Hills, California, advised that on the Sunday following the death of MARTIN LUTHER KING, she drove into a Shell Service Station located at the corner of Olympic and Bundy Dr., West Los Angeles. She advised that she was driving a 1966 Mustang, green in color, and had her lights on in commemoration of Dr. KING. She advised that it was approximately 3:00 PM.

Miss SAPIR stated that an employee of this station made the following statements to her: "Why do you have your lights on? Why are you mourning for that nigger?" She stated that she did not make any statement to this employee, or solicit these remarks in any way. She advised that this employee also made some remark about his having contributed to an organization that killed KING. She advised that she could not remember the exact words used in that remark, but it dealt with a "contribution". She advised that this man spoke in a loud sarcastic tone. She stated that he did not appear to be mentally deranged. She described him as follows: white male, 30-35 years, light brown hair, ruddy complexion, 5'10", medium build, and spoke with a noticeable southern accent.

On 7/5/68, ANDREE BERNARDIN, Owner, Bernardin Brothers Shell Service Station, 11944 West Olympic Blvd., West Los Angeles, advised that he has an employee, named JACK LEE, who does not care for negroes. He advised that LEE is an excellent employee although he has often heard LEE express the sentiments that too many negroes are collecting welfare they are not entitled to receive. He also advised that he heard LEE speak to the above

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girl. He advised that prior to the above incident, he heard LEE state that he (LEE) would contribute to pay the costs of the killer's attorney. BERNARDIN advised that LEE has been working for him for about four years, and has not taken any extended period of time off during the past six months. He advised that LEE was working at the station on the day of the KING killing. He also advised that LEE was not serious in his remarks about KING, notwithstanding his general dislike for the negro race. He stated that LEE made these remarks more in a joking sense.

On 7/5/68, JACK LEE was interviewed at the Bernardin Brothers Shell Service Station and was advised by the writer and SA RICHARD J. RAYSA that the reason for the interview was in connection with remarks reportedly made by him on the Sunday immediately following the death of Dr. KING. LEE read and signed a waiver of rights form prior to being interviewed. LEE stated that he remembers the girl in the green Mustang and the remarks he made to her. He stated that he admits calling Dr. KING a "nigger." He advised he does not like KING because he believes KING has caused many disturbances and riots in this country with his speeches and actions. LEE advised that he did not make any statement that he already did contribute to an organization wanting KING killed. He advised that he said that he would contribute to such an organization, and that he did not say this in a serious manner. LEE advised that he does not belong to any racist or militant organizations. He also advised that he never did, in fact, contribute to any individuals or organizations promoting the death of Dr. KING.

LEE is described as follows:

Race	White
Sex	Male
Birth data	<input type="text"/> at Dallas, Texas
Height	5' 7"
Weight	190
Hair	Brown
Eyes	Brown
Residence	3995 East Blvd., Los Angeles 66, Calif.
Marital status	Single
Military #	RA 18335553
Criminal Record	Admits serving four years in Texas for armed robbery
Scars, marks	Cut scar, neck, right side

LA indices negative re LEE.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

DATE: 5/24/68

FROM : SA EARL E. BOYD

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Sgt. GEORGE EDSON, Los Angeles County Sheriff's Office, Antelope Valley, California, telephone 805-948-4615 advised this writer of the following information at 1:30 a.m. 5/24/68:

At approximately 3:30 p.m. 5/23/68 an unidentified white male had his 1967 Plymouth Fury, green, California license VRP-778 completely serviced at the Shell Service station located at 7826 East Pear Blossom Highway (Calif. Hwy 138). This station is owned and operated by ED HAVLIK who lives behind the station. This station is located in the municipality of Little Rock, Calif. EDSON advised that he has determined this license is registered to the Chrysler Leasing Corporation, 1207 W. 3d st., L.A., Calif. A Shell credit card was used to pay for the servicing; the name on the receipt was E. R. HOMMET. This unidentified individual inquired about the use of a private pay phone and requested ten dollars in change. He used the phone booth at the Gulf Service station across the street. The telephone number of that booth is 805-944-9140. This white male left the area at about 6:00p.m. 5/23/68. He drove east on Highway 138.

EDSON advised that the above information was furnished by NETTIE VALENCIA, owner and operator of BUDGE CAFE, 7200 E. Pear Blossom Hwy, Little Rock, telephone 805-944-2214. Her reason for contacting the SO was due to the fact that the unidentified white male bore resemblance to JAMES EARL RAY wanted for the murder of MARTIN LUTHER KING.

EDSON could provide no further information, but advised that his office had been unable to contact HAVLIK concerning the unidentified white male, and the degree of his resemblance to RAY.

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## ARREST REPORT

COMBINED CRIME AND ARREST REPORT

DR # 67 525 038 J#

LA # 905 277-5

<b>CRIME REPORT INFO.</b>		VICTIM'S OCCUPATION, DESCENT, AGE School L.A. High		BOOKING NUMBER 509 548		LOC. BKD. HWD		DRIVER'S LICENSE NUMBER P662319		STATE Cal		EVID. BKD? Yes			
TYPE OF PREMISES School		ARRESTEE'S NAME (last, first, middle) Stein, Charles J.						SEX M		DESCENT cauc		HAIR blk			
TYPE OF OFFENSE 459PC		EYES Brn		HEIGHT 6-0		WEIGHT 230		BIRTHDATE		AGE 39		AKA/NICKNAME Charlie			
TYPE OF PROPERTY Typewriter		TOTAL VALUE unl		DIV. & DETAIL ARREST. HWD 6L51&11				DATE & TIME ARRESTED 7-5-68 10AM		DATE & TIME BOOKED 7-5-68 115PM					
JUV. ONLY INFO.		RESID. R.D.		PARENTS NOTIFIED BY		TIME		LOCATION OF ARREST 5666 Franklin				RPT. DIS. 626		PROB. INV. UNIT HWD Dets	
PLACE JUV. DETAINED		DIV. OF APPEARANCE		DATE/TIME		TYPE CHARGE (section, code and definition) Fel 459 PC (Burg)				HOLD ARR. VEH. FOR none					
BKG. APPROVED BY		DETENT. APPROVED BY		PRINTED? Y N PHOTOS? Y N		LOCATION CRIME COMMITTED 4600 W. Olympic				RPT. DIS.		LOC/DISPOSITION OF ARRESTEE'S VEHICLE 5666 Franklin			
BIRTHPLACE (city & state) New Orleans		SOCIAL SECURITY # none		OBSERVABLE PHYSICAL ODDITIES, MARKS—EVID. NARC. USE has beard				OCCUPATION/GRADE unemp		EMPLOYER/SCHOOL unemp					
RESIDENCE ADDRESS 5666 Franklin				CITY L.A.				CLOTHING WORN Gry Sweater Brn pants Sandals							
LIST CONNECTING RPTS. BY TYPE & IDENTIFYING NUMBERS Burglary				COMPLAINTS OR EVIDENCE OF ILLNESS OR INJURY—BY WHOM TREATED none											
VEHICLE USED (year, make, body style, colors, (ic. #, ID marks) none				DRIVING VEH. (direction & name of st.) not				AT OR BETWEEN STREETS							
CODE: V-VICTIM (FIRM NAME IF BUSINESS) W-WITNESS ON JUVENILES ONLY: P-BOTH NATURAL PARENTS G-GUARDIAN CODE NAME ADDRESS CITY PHONE X															
v		Board of Education		RES.		BUS.		4600 W. Olympic L.A.		MA 53811		X			
		L.A. High School		RES.		BUS.		5670 Franklin L.A.		H058596		X			
		Frederick W. Davis		RES.		BUS.		same							
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**ADMONITION of RIGHTS** THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT WAS READ TO THE ARRESTEE: "You have the right to remain silent. If you give up the right to remain silent, anything you say can and will be used against you in a court of law. You have the right to speak with an attorney and to have the attorney present during questioning. If you so desire and cannot afford one, an attorney will be appointed for you without charge before questioning."

THIS ADMONITION WAS READ TO THE ARRESTEE BY (Name & Serial #): L. Mayer 12772

CIRCUMSTANCES OF ARREST: 1. SOURCE OF ACTIVITY; 2. OBSERVATION; 3. ARREST; 4. BOOKING. SPECIFIC HEADINGS: 1. EVIDENCE (narcotic addiction 4/258); 2. INJURIES; 3. NOTIFICATIONS; 4. AGGRAVATED CIRCUMSTANCES; 5. ADDITIONAL (reason juvenile detained, etc.):

STATEMENTS OF ARRESTEE: Yes, I understand my rights. I crawled in the window, because I wanted to get somethings that I had in the place. I don't know how many people were arrested from here last night, I haven't talked to none of them people yet. The typewriter you partner was talking about I got from a friend of mine his last name is Jonny. I got it when I lived over at the other place. I brought it with me when I moved. I didn't know it was hot. I didn't know that they were using grass in here or anything about pills. If it would have been mine (the grass) I would have taken it along with me. The girl doesn't know anything.

If additional space is needed use Continuation Sheet, Form 15.9

SUPERVISOR <i>[Signature]</i>	SERIAL NO. 777	REPORTING OFFICER(S) L. Mayer 12772	SERIAL NO(S). 6251411	DIVISION-DETAIL 6251411	VACATION DATE(S) 8/1-30
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COMMENTS OF INVESTIGATOR—INCLUDE WHEN REFERRED, NAME OF AGENCY AND PERSON ACCEPTING REFERRAL.

ARREST REPORT DISPOSITION—REFERRALS—TRANSFERS		PFI		Probation		Juvenile traffic (misd.)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Counseled & Rel.	<input type="checkbox"/> Proved/adult	<input type="checkbox"/> Exon.—Innocent	<input type="checkbox"/> CYA	<input type="checkbox"/> Other law enf. agency	<input type="checkbox"/> Other		
<input type="checkbox"/> Action susp.	<input type="checkbox"/> Exon.—Insuf. evid.	<input type="checkbox"/> Social agency					
INVESTIGATING OFCR.	SERIAL NO.	ADULT PRESENT AT INTERVIEW	SUPERVISOR APPROVING	SERIAL NO.	DATE/TIME REPROD. DIV/CLERK 7/5/68 330 P.M.		

## CONTINUATION SHEET

ITEM No.	QUAN.	PAGE No.	TYPE OF REPORT	BOOKING NUMBER	DR No.
		2	Arrest	509 548	67 525 038
			Stein, Charles	459 PC	509 548
			SERIAL NUMBERS		
(Dennino)			<p><u>SOURCE OF ACTION:</u> Ofcs. rec. radio call Narco. Susps have returned to 5666 Franklin, C-Manager at 5670 Franklin.</p> <p><u>OFFICERS OBSERVATIONS:</u> Upon arrival at the scene ofc. Mayer 12772 observed a female cauc., standing beside the east bedroom window of 5666 Franklin. Ofc. approached the susp and asked her what she was doing. Susp Dennino said that she was waiting for Charles Stein. Ofc. Mayer observed that the screen to the window had been pried loose and that the window was open. Ofc. Mayer asked Dennino where Stein was, and she stated that "he is inside the house". At this time Ofc. Wanamaker arrived and both ofcs. deployed themselves and observed Susp Stein come crawling out the east bedroom window of 5666 Franklin.</p> <p><u>Arrest:</u> At this time Susp Stein and Dennino were taken into custody and placed under arrest. Both Susps were advised of their rights. Ofc. Mayer asked both Arrestees if they understood their rights, and both replied Yes. Ofc. then asked the Arrestees if they wished to waive their right to remain silent and to speak with the ofcs., at which time Arrestee Stein made the above statements.</p> <p><u>BOOKING:</u> Both Susps were trans. to Hollywood Dets., where further investigation disclosed that on 7-4-68 ofcs. had been called to 5666 Franklin and that through an investigation which was conducted there, four susps were arrested for 459 PC. Susp Stein was listed as an outstanding susp involved in a 459 PC under DR#67 525038. Ofcs. also received information that contraban resembling marijuana had also been found in 5666 Franklin at the time of arrest. Booking for 459PC was advised by Clarke 4304 Hollywood Dets. Arr Stein was booked, Susp Dennino was released. Arr. Stein was booked at HWD Jail</p> <p><u>EVIDENCE:</u> A 1/4" screwdriver found in the L/F pants pocket of Arrestee Stein by Ofc. Mayer 12772 was booked evidence. A search of Arr. Stein pants was conducted and a package of zig-zag papers commonly used in the smoking of marijuana was found. A brown address book was also found in the arrestee's pants. All items found were booked as evidence at HWD Prop.</p> <p><u>ADDITIONAL:</u> On 7-4-68 four susps were arrested for 459PC from 5666 Franklin in relation to DR#67 525 038. All Susps were handled by HWD Dets.            Evans, Frank Joseph                      509 150            Stowe, Marilyn Kristine                509 215            Peltonen, Carlotta Ann                509 375            House, Richard Marvin                 509 285</p> <p>Arr. Stein has been living at 5666 Franklin.</p>		

## PROPERTY REPORT

CHECK ONE  
TYPE ONLY☒ Evidence ☐ Found  
Evidence ☐ Found  
Property ☐ Safekeeping

DP 67-525038

RESIDENCE ADDRESS 1. 5866 Franklin		PERSON PROPERTY BOOKED TO (Last, first, middle) 1. STEIN CHARLES JOSEPH		RES. PHONE -	BUS. PHONE -
RESIDENCE ADDRESS 2. SAME		ARRESTEE'S NAME 2. SAME		CHARGE 459 P.C.	BKG. NO. 589548
RESIDENCE ADDRESS 3. SAME		VICTIM OR OWNER'S NAME 3. SAME		RES. PHONE -	BUS. PHONE -
RESIDENCE ADDRESS 4. 1538 N. WILCOX		PERSON REPORTING TO POLICE DEPT. (Last, First, Middle) 4. WANAMAKER L		RES. PHONE -	BUS. PHONE MAY 52 11
DATE & TIME THIS REPORT 7-5-68 1300		PROP. BKG. AT HND	INV. DIV. HND DETS	DATE & TIME PROPERTY TAKEN INTO POLICE CUSTODY - LOCATION - CITY OR REPORTING DIST. 7-5-68 1000 1538 N. WILCOX 600	
Evidence: BOOK TO ARRESTEE. IF NONE, BOOK TO VICTIM. Found Evidence: BOOK TO OFFICER IF NO ARRESTEE OR VICTIM. Found Property: BOOK TO ACTUAL FINDER. Safekeeping: BOOK TO DEPOSITOR, OWNER OR PERSON IN LAWFUL POSSESSION. (Separate reports are required for each different classification of property)		TYPE OF PREMISES HND STA		TYPE OF PROPERTY SCREWDRIIVER	
		DIV. OR CITY & DATE CRIME OCCURRED WILS 1967		LIST ANY CONNECTING REPORTS BY TYPE & DR. BURGLARY SAME DR	
		IS THIS STOLEN PROPERTY? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> UNKNOWN		PROBABLE CRIME 459 P.C.	
				Prints - Photo - S.I.D. - Other <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	

(1) IF STOLEN IN CITY OF LOS ANGELES EACH CASE MUST BE COVERED BY CRIME AND FOLLOW-UP REPORTS. (2) DESCRIBE CIRCUMSTANCES RESULTING IN BOOKING OF THIS PROPERTY. (3) GIVE ADDRESS, TIME AND/OR PHONE NUMBER WHERE CONCERNED PERSON(S) MAY BE CONTACTED BY DAY INVESTIGATORS IF NOT LISTED, OR OTHER THAN ABOVE. (4) ITEMIZE AND DESCRIBE ALL PROPERTY. GIVE ALL SERIAL NUMBERS AND OTHER MARKS OF IDENTIFICATION. LIST ONLY ONE ARTICLE ON A LINE.

ITEM NO.	QUANTITY	SERIAL NUMBER(S) AND ENGRAVING
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OFC MAYER FOUND ITEM 1 IN RT FAT POCKET OF DEPT  
ITEMS 2 & 3 IN DEPT'S WALLET DURING INVEST  
AT HND STA. ITEMS BKG HND PROP

Q. CRIME & ARE SAME DR THE DETAILS

1	1	SCREWDRIIVER 4" PLASTIC HANDLE
2	1	ADDRESS BOOK
3	1	PACKET TOP CIGARETTE PAPERS

If additional space is required, use Continuation Sheet, Form 15.9.

SUPERVISOR APPROVING [Signature]	SERIAL NO. 3132	REPORTING OFFICER(S) - SER. NO. - DIV. - DETL. L. Wanamaker 11912	PERSON REPORTING (Signature) X
DATE & TIME REPRODUCED - DIVISION - CLERK 7/5/68 286 PM			INDEXED CHECKED

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

DATE: 7/12/68

FROM : SA DENNIS C. LE MASTER

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Attached is a copy of the Arrest Report by the Los Angeles Police Department, Hollywood Division, as reflected on DR 67525038.

On 7/5/68, MARIE MARTIN, aka, advised that she had been arrested with CHARLES JOSEPH STEIN by the Hollywood Division of the Los Angeles Police Department for violation of Section 459 PC (burglary). She advised that subsequent to the arrest, she was released. She stated that the item allegedly burglarized from the Los Angeles School System was a typewriter.

Contact with Lt. THOMAS J. CORNWELL of the Hollywood Division, LAPD, provided the attached Arrest Report.

On 7/10/68, CHARLES JOSEPH STEIN advised that he was released by the Los Angeles Police Department and old charges were dropped on 7/8/68.

STEIN maintained his innocence, stating that the typewriter was not in any way obtained through illegal means to his knowledge.

On 7/10/68, MARIE MARTIN, aka, advised that the reason that she and CHARLES JOSEPH STEIN were not present at 5666 Franklin Boulevard on 7/4/68 was because of her visit with her boy friend, RONALD DENNINO, in the company of CHARLES JOSEPH STEIN, who is incarcerated in the California State Penal System.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO :SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

DATE: 4/29/68

FROM :SA RICHARD B. SADLER, III

SUBJECT:MURKIN

JIM LAUGHRIDGE, 800 South Sullivan, Apartment 6F, Santa Ana, California, telephonically contacted the FBI, 4/26/68, and advised that he was acquainted with one AL CREWS, who had been employed as a salesman at Hollywood Chrysler and that CREWS had informed him that he had been paid \$1,000 to obtain a forged passport for JAMES EARL RAY. Approximately one week ago, CREWS came to Laughridge Used Car Lot at 2301 West First Street, Santa Ana, California, purchased a used car, and left with one MANEUL ESTRADA CINECERES, who was an employee of LAUGHRIDGE's. From a later contact with CREWS, LAUGHRIDGE learned that CREWS and CINECERES had travelled to Tijuana, Mexico, in an attempt to obtain the forged passport. CREWS was in an accident in Tijuana, and had his car confiscated and upon returning to the U.S. he told LAUGHRIDGE that he was going to travel to New York to obtain the forged passport.

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4/29/68  
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

FROM : SA DENNIS C. LE MASTER

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 7/12/68

SUSAN HARRIS, aka Susan Flikeid, common-law wife of THOMAS FLIKEID, was contacted and provided the current telephone number of ANITA KATZWINKEL, wife of THOMAS R. HUNTER. This number is 765-5247.

CSLA 4178-S advised that this is a non-published number listed to THOMAS R. HUNTER, 13159 Van Owen Street, Apartment 3, North Hollywood, California.

On 7/9/68, ANITA KATZWINKEL was contacted at this address and acknowledged that this is her residence and will be for at least the foreseeable future.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

DATE: 7/15/68

FROM : SA DENNIS C. LE MASTER

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DIANA JOYCE, 730 North Parkman, Los Angeles, California, advised that her husband, JOHN P. JOYCE, was living with MARIE DENNINO at the St. Francis Hotel. She said that her husband and MARIE went to the vicinity of Chicago approximately one month ago to see JOYCE's father in the vicinity of Chicago, Indiana. She advised that the trip lasted approximately two weeks. DIANA JOYCE said that her husband never told her that he was involved in any activity that resulted in the assassination of Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. She said that he never made any statements implicating MARIE DENNINO as being involved in any alterial way in the assassination. She said that her husband never made any statements concerning travels to Memphis, Tennessee, with DENNINO or by himself during the time of the assassination. She said to the best of her knowledge, her husband has never been in Memphis, Tennessee.

DIANA JOYCE said that on the day of the assassination JOHN P. JOYCE came to her apartment shortly after the time of the assassination on that same day. She said her mother was also present. She acknowledged that it would be impossible for JOYCE to be in Memphis at the time of the assassination of Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING due to his presence at her apartment on that same date.

DIANA JOYCE said her husband is not living with her, and that they are separated. She advised that she is not working.

It was observed at the time of the interview that the telephone number of DIANA JOYCE was 383-5834.

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MARIE MARTIN advised that JOHN JOYCE is a frequent visitor to her apartment at the St. Francis Hotel. She advised that she has known JOYCE for approximately three years. She said that she did in fact travel with him to Chicago and Youngstown, Ohio, for the purpose of visiting JOYCE's relatives in the settling of an estate. She said that he purchased tires for her automobile.

MARIE MARTIN stated that on the date of the assassination, she was in fact working at the Sulton Room, the cocktail lounge located at the St. Francis Hotel.

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Date: 8/5/68

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

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI  
FROM: SAC, CLEVELAND  
RE: MURKIN  
Bufile: 44-38861  
CVfile: 44-565 (P)  
OO: Memphis

KENSALT  
CVfile: 175-16

Re Richmond airtel to Director, 7/26/68 and Bureau letter to Los Angeles, 8/1/68.

ARTHUR IRWIN, President, Irwin GMC, Inc., Lima, Ohio, interviewed 8/5/68 and stated he had attended the National Automobile Dealers Association truck meeting at the Americana Hotel, Miami Beach, Florida, about 5/18/68, and recalls "BUDDY" JENSEN, FRANK GOODPASTURE, JR., BILL WILSON and some men from Bristol, Tennessee, attending. He stated at dinner one evening, he sat about four to six seats from JENSEN, and somebody mentioned in general conversation words to the effect that some group was probably behind the KING matter, and also another remarked to the effect that after what happened to JACK, something might happen to BOBBY. Mr. IRWIN could not recall who made these remarks and no other details. He did say he has known JENSEN for about six years and described JENSEN as a very reputable man of a good reputation. He added it was his belief JENSEN

- 6 - Bureau (RM)
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- 2 - Memphis (Info)
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was the type of man who would probably have rather strong opinions, and just go ahead and say something. He added he placed no significance on the remarks and said there had been quite a bit of drinking.

FD-302 reflecting interview of JENSEN will be furnished Memphis and Los Angeles for their respective cases.

8-6-68

AIRTEL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)  
FROM: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987) P  
MURKIN

Captain J. G. RAY, Memphis Police Department, in charge of security of subject RAY, has confidentially advised that Judge W. PRESTON BATTLE, Shelby County Criminal Court, Memphis, has received a letter from MARYA and LASKA VAN DOORNEN, 17810 Carpintero Avenue, Bellflower, California, dated 8-3-68, requesting the address of subject's attorney, ARTHUR J. HANES. This letter states in part, "We have a number of things we would like to tell the defense."

Los Angeles should discreetly determine identity of the VAN DOORNENS and, if possible, determine what, if any, connection they might have had with subject RAY.

UACB, no attempt should be made to interview these persons except possibly under a suitable pretext, as we do not desire to invite charges of interfering with the subject's defense.

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2 LOS ANGELES (AM)  
1 MEMPHIS

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✓ To: SAC, Los Angeles

✓ From: Director, FBI

MURKIN

ReMEairtel 8-6-68.

Los Angeles should through a check of its office records and through appropriate sources determine identity of Marya and Laska Van Doornen, 17810 Carpintero Avenue, Bellflower, California, and any connection they might have had with subject Ray.

Los Angeles should not under any circumstances attempt to interview them as we do not desire to invite charges of interfering with the subject's defense.

1 - Memphis

*Curtis Bon & me 8/16/68  
neg. JF*

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

DATE: 8/7/68

FROM : SA JESSE V. MC NULTY

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Memo Supervisor William John Nolan dated 7/30/68

AT MONTROSE, CALIFORNIA

On 8/6/68 it was determined through personal observation that there is no 1800 block of Florencita Drive.

Sgt. Bill Betz, Detective Commander, Montrose Substation, LASO, advised DOLORES and DANIEL CLEWS are unknown to him, and he could locate no record for them in LASO records.

A review of City Directory, Montrose, failed to list any one with last name of CLEWS. It was noted that Florencita Drive is only three blocks long and the lowest number is 2200. There was no one by the name of CLEWS on Florencita Drive.

A review of Northwestern Telephone Directory failed to list CLEWS.

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AT SANTA BARBARA, CALIF.

If deemed advisable will interview DANIEL CLEWS, reportedly incarcerated at Santa Barbara on robbery charges, for any information concerning the slaying of KING.

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Airtel

To: SAC, Tampa (62-963)

From: Director, FBI (62-587)

KENSALT

OO: LOS ANGELES

MURKIN

OO: MEMPHIS

56-152-1577

Re Tampa airtel 6/11/68 and Tampa letter 7/19/68 with letterhead memoranda attached thereto captioned Pernell Ezell.

In view of the allegations concerning Pernell Ezell, he should be interviewed immediately in order to determine whether he does, in fact, have any information pertinent to either of captioned inquiries.

Furnish results of your interview to Los Angeles and Memphis under appropriate caption on FD-302.

① - Los Angeles  
1 - Memphis

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Date: 8/9/68

Transmit the following in \_\_\_\_\_  
(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL  
(Priority)

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

OO:Memphis

Re Birmingham airtel dated 7/19/68.

RE: WILLIE JAMES MC GUIRE

The following investigation was conducted by'  
SA THEODORE J. A'HEARN:

There is no such street in Los Angeles County  
as Central Parkway.

CLIFFORD MOORE, Dispatcher, Transcon, Inc.,  
7745 South Paramount, Pico Rivera, California, advised  
MC GUIRE is not an employee of that company. Transcon  
has neither leased their equipment to another carrier  
nor leased equipment from another carrier in over two  
years. They have no lease truck drivers in Los Angeles.

Personal observation at 527 South Alameda  
Street, Los Angeles, reveals the entire 600 block to be  
utilized by gasoline stations, a bank and parking lots.

- 3 - Bureau
- 2 - Birmingham (44-1740)(AM)
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Transmit the following in \_\_\_\_\_

There are no inhabitable structures within this block. What would be the equivalent of 600 South Alameda Street, Los Angeles, is the Hollywood Freeway, its over-crossing and access roads.

The records of the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company reveal that telephone number 827-3581 does not exist in the entire code 213, which encompasses all of the City and County of Los Angeles.

The records of the Los Angeles Police Department and Los Angeles County Sheriff's Office, as caused to be reviewed by IC MERTON R. ANDERSON, JR., on 8/7/68, contain no record for WILLIE JAMES MC GUIRE based on descriptive information available.

Indices of the Los Angeles Office are negative regarding MC GUIRE.

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Date: August 14, 1968

Transmit the following in \_\_\_\_\_  
(Type in plaintext or code)Via Airtel \_\_\_\_\_  
(Priority)

TO: SAC, Los Angeles  
FROM: Director, FBI (44-38861)

MURKIN

Bureau is in receipt of a letter from Frances Welker of 1858 Amador, Ontario, California, letter dated August 8, 1968. Letter states in essence that she would like to see an Agent regarding the assassination of Martin Luther King, Jr.

You should interview her within three days of receipt of this communication and take whatever action necessary as a result of an interview.

Based upon available data no information recorded in Bureau files concerning Frances Welker.

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

FROM : SA LEON J. MEYER

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 5/8/68

Re memo of Supervisor WILLIAM J. NOLAN dated 5/7/68.

On 5/8/68, ROBERT T. HOLLIS, 9562 Madison Avenue, Westminster, California, advised he is subscriber to telephone number 531-5933 and received a long distance telephone call in mid December 1967, from his wife's father, BRYAN LOMAX, 13411 Trask Avenue, Garden Grove, California, who was in route from California to Mississippi when his car was stalled in a snow storm in Van Horn, Texas, and he was required to spend night there. //

HOLLIS stated not acquainted with anyone named JAMES EARL RAY.

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Airtel

To: SACs, Memphis (44-1987)  
Newark (44-854)

From: Director, FBI (44-38861)

MURKIN

Re anonymous religious greeting card.

Bureau is in receipt of anonymous religious greeting card on which was written in pen, "Martin L. King. Ray at 71 Columbus Avenue, North of Dutton Street, Memphis, Tennessee. Call at 77 Charles Street, Hollywood 798-667."

Memphis has advised Columbus Avenue and Dutton Street are nonexistent in Memphis, Tennessee.

There is a Charles Street in Memphis, however, address of 77 Charles Street is nonexistent. Hollywood 798-667 is a nonexistent telephone number or street number in Memphis area.

Envelope of anonymous communication bears postmark at Hoboken, New Jersey, May 17, 1968, 1 p.m., 07030. Newark conduct investigation in an attempt to identify the sender of the anonymous communication.

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AIRTEL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)  
FROM: SAC, NEWARK (44-854) (P)

MURKIN  
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Rebuairtel to Memphis & Newark, 5/22/68.  
Re anonymous religious greeting card.

Enclosed for Los Angeles are two copies of  
referenced Bureau airtel.

Inquiry with US Postal Inspector, Newark, has failed  
to develop any information regarding the sender of the anonymous  
communication. There is no Columbus Ave., Dutton St., or Charter  
St. in Hoboken, NJ

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Determine if there is a 77 Charter St., or telephone  
798-667 in Hollywood, Calif.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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2 - Los Angeles (Encl. 2)  
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FBI SAN FRAN

11:00PM 6-7-68 URGENT MXG

TO: DIRECTOR AND SACS MEMPHIS, LOS ANGELES, LAS VEGAS AND SAN DIEGO.

FROM: SAN FRANCISCO (173-65)

MURKIN;

WILLIAM A. MARSHALL (CONSIDER ARMED AND DANGEROUS) OO: MEMPHIS;  
HOWARD MASON BIRRELL, JR., AKA WILLIAM A. MARSHALL, WILLIAM L. DE LUCA  
FUGITIVE. ITSMV. OO: SD.

RE SAN DIEGO TEL TO DIRECTOR, MEMPHIS, LOS ANGELES, LAS VEGAS  
AND SAN FRANCISCO, JUNE SEVEN, INSTANT.

SUBJECT BIRRELL INTERVIEWED THIS DATE, SAN MATEO COUNTY JAIL,  
WHERE HE IS INCARCERATED FOR CHARGE OF SEX PERVERSION, WHICH HAS BEEN  
REDUCED TO CHILD MOLESTING, OUT OF MILLBRAE, CALIF.

SUBJECT, AFTER OBSERVING JAMES EARLY RAY'S PHOTO, STATED HE RECALLS  
SERVING TIME WITH HIM AT THE FEDERAL PRISON AT LEVAVENWORTH SOME TIME  
IN THE NINETEEN FIFTIES, BUT CANNOT RECALL EXACTLY WHAT PERIOD OF  
TIME. HE STATED HE HAS HAD NO CONTACT WITH RAY SINCE THAT TIME AND  
HAVE NO IDEA OF HIS PRESENT WHEREABOUTS, ASSOCIATES OR ANY WAY TO FIND  
HIM.

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WITH REGARD TO BIRRELL'S RECENT ACTIVITIES SINCE HIS RELEASE FROM FEDERAL PRISON ON MAY TEN, LAST, HE STATED HE TRAVELED TO SAN DIEGO, CALIF. AND ADMITTED OBTAINING A LATE MODEL PLYMOUTH FROM THE PLYMOUTH DEALER IN CHULA VISTA NEAR BROADWAY AND THIRD STREETS OON OR ABOUT MAY FOURTEEN, LAST, AND ABANDONING THAT CAR IN SAN BERNRDINO, CALIF. AFTER COLLIDING WITH A CAMPER, DROPPING IT OFF SOME PLACE IN A SUPERMARKET PARKING LOT, AND THEN TAKING A CAB TO THE GREYHOUND BUS DEPOT IN WEST COVINA, CLAIF., THE CAB COSTING ABOUT THREE DOLLARS. HE STATED THIS SUPERMARKET PARKING LOT WAS SOMEWHERE OFF A FREEWAY.

HE STATED NO POLICE INVESTIGATION WAS CONDUCTED RE THIS ACCIDENT SINCE INDIVIDUAL OWNING CAMPER, AS WELL AS HIMSELF, DID NOT DESIRE SAME.

BIRRELL ADMITTED HAVING BURGLARIZED THE HOME OF WILLIAM L. DE LUCA. ADDRESS HE GAVE WAS EIGHT FOUR THREE TWO ALVARADO DRIVE, HUNTINGTON BEACH, CALFI., AND OBTAINING A WALLET WITH ID AND CREDIT CARDS AND DRIVERS LICENSE OF MRS. DE LUCA.

HE STATED HE TRAVELED BY GREYHOUND FROM WEST COVINA TO LAS VEGAS AND WITH THE USE OF ALTERED DRIVERS LICENSE OF MRS. DE LUCA AND HER CREDIT CARDS RENTED SIXTY SEVEN FORD GALAXIE, WHITE IN COLOR, WITH NEVADA LICENSE HE RECALLED AS CK ONE FOUR SEVEN SEVEN, FROM NATIONAL CAR RENTALS FOR ONE DAY, AND TRAVELED IN SAME TO SAN DIEGO WHERE HE ABANDONED IT IN THE PARKING LOT OF THE LAND TITLE CO.

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WHICH HE ESTIMATED WAS ONE BLOCK FROM THE GREYHOUND BUS DEPOT, PORBABLY ONE BLOCK EAST OF BROADWAY, AND ABANDONED ON OR ABOUT MAY THIRTY ONE, LAST.

HE STATED HE THEN OBTAINED SIXTY EIGHT DODGE FROM AVIS RENT-A-CAR AT SAN DIEGO AIRPORT WITH THE SAME CREDIT CARD FOR A PERIOD OF FIVE DAYS, AND DROVE SAME TO SAN FRANCISCO AREA WHEN HE WAS SUBSEQUENTLY APPREHENDED IN MILLBRAE, CALIF., ON JUNE FOUR, LAST.

HE INDICATED DESIRE TO PLEAD GUILTY UNDER RULE TWENTY RE ANY DYER ACT CHARGES BASED ON THE RENTAL OF THE SIXTY SEVEN FORD GALAXIE.

AS PER SAN DIEGO TEL CALL THIS DATE TO SF, A HOLD HAS BEEN PLACED ON SUBJECT EN ROUTE USM BASED UPON THE WARRENT BEING OBTAINED BY SAN DIEGO FOR VIOLATION DYER ACT.

SAN DIEGO IMMEDIATELY FORWARD APPROPRIATE PAPERS TO USM, SAN FRANCISCO.

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Investigation regarding telephone call made from paystation in Texas on December 17, 1967 to telephone number 213-587-4471, a non-published number. Subscriber identified as EARICE WILSON, 1528 East 88th Street, Los Angeles, California.

On May 8, 1968, Mrs. VERA MAE WILSON, 1528 East 88th Street, Los Angeles, California, telephone 587-4471, advised that she has lived at this address over a year. She advised she has a sister named Mrs. ODA WILLIAMS, 113 Lodge Street, Magnolia, Arkansas. The latter's daughter has been living at the WILSON address in Los Angeles and on December 23, 1967, this daughter was married in Los Angeles. Mrs. WILLIAMS and her husband drove to Los Angeles to attend the wedding, leaving Arkansas a few days before. After attending the wedding, Mr. and Mrs. WILLIAMS returned to Arkansas. Mrs. WILSON advised that she did not know the route taken to Los Angeles, but "they had to come through Texas" from Magnolia. Mrs. WILSON advised that she works nights and her husband received a telephone call from the WILLIAMSES who said there was snow, the highway was closed and they had to stay over in Texas. Mrs. WILSON advised she did not know the place in Texas; that the purpose of the call was to notify the WILSONS that there was a delay enroute. The WILLIAMSES arrived in time for the wedding. Mrs. WILSON advised that is the only telephone call from Texas to her telephone that she knows of and no calls were received from JAMES EARL RAY, also known as Eric Starvo Galt. She said both the WILLIAMSES are Negro.

EARICE WILSON advised on May 8, 1968 that he resides at 1528 East 88th Street, Los Angeles and has telephone number 587-4471. He said that his wife, VERA MAE WILSON, has a sister named ODA WILLIAMS married to BILL WILLIAMS, who reside in Arkansas; that about Christmas 1967, the daughter of the WILLIAMSES was married in Los Angeles. The WILLIAMScouple drove to Los Angeles for the

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occasion. Mr. WILSON advised that BILL WILLIAMS telephoned once and possibly twice while enroute to Los Angeles. BILL WILLIAMS called from a town believed called Van Horn, Texas. BILL WILLIAMS advised that they were snowbound, the road was closed and they would have to spend the night there. They did arrive in Los Angeles on time for the wedding.

EARICE WILSON advised he knew of no other calls from Texas to his telephone in last December. He said only he, his wife and two children, ages 9 and 10 years, live there and they have no roomers. He said there had been no call received from JAMES EARL RAY, also known as Eric Starvo Galt, to his telephone.

8/16/68

AIRTEL

AIR MAIL

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

ReBuairtel 8/8/68 and Memphis airtel 8/6/68.

Re: MARYA and LASKA VAN DOORNEN

The indices of the Los Angeles Office are negative regarding the VAN DOORNENS.

The following agency checks were made with negative results regarding MARYA and LASKA VAN DOORNEN:

Los Angeles Police Department  
Los Angeles County Sheriff's Office  
Los Angeles Retail Merchants Credit Association  
Los Angeles County Registrar of Voters

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AIR MAIL

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

TOMAS REYES LAU, owner, International School of Bartending, Los Angeles, California, advised on 8/16/68 that he had been approached by an individual named CLAY BLAIR, JR., 11901 Piney Glen Lane, Potomac, Maryland 20854, for information regarding the MURKIN case.

BLAIR identified himself as a writer for Bantam Books. BLAIR displayed to LAU a letter of identification signed by MARK C. JAFFE, Senior Vice-President, Bantam Books, New York.

BLAIR explained to LAU he was writing a book regarding JAMES EARL RAY and solicited information from LAU regarding LAU's knowledge of RAY and RAY's attendance at the International School of Bartending.

LAU stated he told BLAIR he had received a court order from Memphis in which he was forbidden to discuss any information he had regarding the MARTIN LUTHER KING assassination until after the trial of RAY. LAU stated he has no intention of violating this court order and told BLAIR he would furnish him no information.

3 - Bureau (AIR MAIL)  
2 - Memphis (44-1987) (AIR MAIL)  
1 - Baltimore (44-669) (Info.) (AIR MAIL)  
1 - New York (Info.) (AIR MAIL)  
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AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM: SAC, BIRMINGHAM (44-1740) (P)

SUBJECT: MURKIN

OO: MEMPHIS

On 8/12/68, HUGH EGERTON, until recently Postal Inspector and now Assistant Postmaster, Birmingham, (protect identity), advised the Birmingham Post Office is returning to the sender as undeliverable a letter postmarked 8/8/68, addressed to ERIC GALT, 2608 Highland Ave., Birmingham, Ala. The letter bears the return address, DeLangre & Mortensen Screens, 7557 Sunset Blvd., Hollywood, Calif. 90046, and, according to EGERTON, appears to be an advertising brochure pertaining to Mortensen Texture screens, textbooks and dark room printing material. He stated apparently the company sending the brochure to ERIC GALT deals primarily in photographic equipment. EGERTON said the address on the letter appeared to be the type of address which would be taken from a mailing list.

Los Angeles, if not already done, will contact DeLangre & Mortensen Screens, 7557 Sunset Blvd., Hollywood, and determine whether this company has had previous dealings with subject as ERIC GALT and, if so, the details of their transactions with GALT.

3 - Bureau  
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2 - Memphis (44-1987)  
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AIRTEL

AIR MAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)  
FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)(P)  
SUBJECT: MURKIN  
OO: MEMPHIS

Re Birmingham airtel 8/12/68.

Mr. JACQUES DE LANGRE, 7557 Sunset Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, was interviewed on 8/19/68 and advised that the name ERIC GALT was unfamiliar to him. He reviewed his records and advised that an address card with the name ERIC GALT, 2608 Highland Avenue, Birmingham, Alabama, was contained therein. No legend appeared on the card, but he stated he felt, because of the color of the card, the inquiry was made at least six months ago.

He stated that GALT probably made inquiry of their concern from an advertisement in "Modern Photography", "National Professional Photography", "Popular Photography" or "PSA Journal", as his firm advertises in these magazines. He stated that the Mortensen Texture Screens are darkroom aids. He felt that a person interested in this type of equipment would be one who was either a professional photographer or had his own darkroom setup.

He stated that records of his firm contain no indications of any additional correspondence with ERIC GALT.

- 3 - Bureau (AM)
- 2 - Memphis (44-1987)(AM)
- 1 - Birmingham (44-1740)(AM)
- ① - Los Angeles

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

DATE: 8/19/68

FROM : SA WILLIAM V. SCRUGGS

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Bureau airtel to Los Angeles, dated 8/14/68.

On 8/15/68, Mrs. JODY BRANUM, 1858 Amador, Ontario, California, advised she resides at this residence and FRANCES WELKER is a hired day time babysitter. She advised she first hired WELKER about 12 weeks ago and she worked two weeks as a babysitter. WELKER was arrested by the Ontario, California Police Department for bad checks and was incarcerated at the San Bernardino County Jail in San Bernardino, California, for nine weeks. She was released one week ago and returned to work as a babysitter.

Mrs. BRANUM advised that WELKER is a good babysitter and is good with the children, but she talks continually about any and everything and at times her conversations do not make sense. Mrs. BRANUM advised that Mrs. WELKER can presently be located where she is visiting at Apartment A, 768 Richmond, Ontario, California.

On <sup>8</sup>8/15/68, Mrs. FRANCES WELKER was contacted at Apartment A, 768 Richmond, Ontario, where she was visiting.

Mrs. WELKER took the Agents credentials and after observing them closely, stated that the agent was not J. EDGAR HOOVER and she wanted to discuss this matter with Mr. HOOVER personally.

Mrs. WELKER was advised that Mr. HOOVER could not contact her personally and that the agent would take any information that she had to offer concerning the MURKIN matter and any other matter over which the FBI has jurisdiction.

Mrs. WELKER stated she absolutely did not have any information to offer and had no knowledge of the MURKIN case, but that she merely wanted to discuss this matter with Mr. HOOVER. She advised that she had previously written Mr. HOOVER following the Brinks robbery in Boston in January, 1951.

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She stated at that time she had no facts to offer concerning this robbery, but merely wanted to guess who did it. She stated as it turns out she did not guess right.

It was suggested to Mrs. WELKER that if in the future she desired to furnish information to the FBI that she contact the local resident agency rather than writing letters to the Bureau.

In view of above, no further investigation is being conducted concerning this matter.

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AIR MAIL

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

ReBuairtel to Los Angeles 8/14/68.

On 8/15/68 Mrs. JODY BRANUM, 1858 Amador, Ontario, California, advised she resides at this residence, and that FRANCES WELKER is a hired daytime babysitter. She advised that she first hired WELKER about 12 weeks ago, and that WELKER worked two weeks as a babysitter. WELKER was arrested by the Ontario, California, Police Department for bad checks and was incarcerated at the San Bernardino County Jail in San Bernardino, California, for nine weeks. She was released one week ago and returned to work as a babysitter.

Mrs. BRANUM advised that WELKER is a good babysitter and is good with the children, but she talks continually about any and everything, and at times her conversations do not make sense. Mrs. BRANUM advised that Mrs. WELKER can presently be located where she is visiting at Apartment A, 768 Richmond, Ontario, California.

On 8/15/68 Mrs. FRANCES WELKER was contacted at Apartment A, 768 Richmond, Ontario, California, where she was visiting.

Mrs. WELKER took the Agent's credentials and, after observing them closely, stated that the Agent was not J. EDGAR HOOVER, and that she wanted to discuss this matter with Mr. HOOVER personally.

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Mrs. WELKER was advised that Mr. HOOVER could not contact her personally, and that the Agent would take any information she had to offer concerning the assassination of MARTIN LUTHER KING or any other matter over which the FBI has jurisdiction.

Mrs. WELKER stated she absolutely did not have any information to offer and had no knowledge of the KING case, but that she merely wanted to discuss this matter with Mr. HOOVER. She advised that she had previously written to Mr. HOOVER following the Brinks robbery in Boston in January 1951. She said that at that time she had no facts to offer concerning this robbery but merely wanted to guess who did it. She stated that, as it turns out, she did not guess right.

It was suggested to Mrs. WELKER that if in the future she desired to furnish information to the FBI, she contact the local Resident Agency, rather than writing letters to the Bureau in Washington.



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PERNELL EZZELL

On June 6, 1968, Mr. FRANK WETZEL, Manager, Perdue Radio, Television and Appliances, Incorporated, 2425 Colonial Drive, Orlando, Florida, furnished the following information:

PERNELL EZZELL is a former employee who has been missing about three weeks on this last occasion. He has previously left his job on past occasions and has been taken back. He called WETZEL on the morning of June 6, 1968 from 4:15 a.m. to 5:15 a.m. saying he was in Denver, Colorado. Mr. WETZEL said EZZELL seemed as though he were nervous, crazy or drunk.

EZZELL alleged to WETZEL that he had a great amount of money. He said he had a pile of \$20.00 bills which he had obtained as a result of his part in the assassination of Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING and the shooting of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY. EZZELL remarked that he had proof he was in Orlando, Florida when KING was shot and he was in Las Vegas when KENNEDY was shot if he were to need it. He alleged he was on the payroll of "CIA" and "OSI". He remarked that he had a "38", a "357", a "30-30" and a "306" type of guns in the trunk of his car. He said he was using a U-Drive-It car in Las Vegas the previous day with the "357" gun on the seat when he was stopped by a deputy. He said the deputy released him when he produced his Associated Detective Agency 44-1574-1782 card and his gun permit which he read the number from as being #92B.

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Mr. WETZEL said that EZZELL did not threaten any one during his call or indicate that he intended to do any harm to anyone else.

WETZEL said that EZZELL indicated that he was his only friend in Orlando, Florida and he just wanted to talk to him to find out if he could come back to Orlando.

On June 6, 1968, Mrs. FAY EZZELL, 636 22nd Street, Orlando, Florida furnished the following information.

She advised that she married PERNELL EZZELL on February 25, 1967, this being her third marriage. She said they have one infant by this marriage and she has children by previous marriages. She said that EZZELL has caused her extreme anxiety and debt during their short period of marriage. She said he has deserted her at least three times and he was last seen by her over three weeks ago. She said that he had been treated for extreme alcoholism during their short marriage on at least two occasions by Doctor HERBERT COLLINS in Orlando, Florida and she had taken him to the Florida Sanitarium Hospital, Orlando, Florida for the same type treatment. She advised that he has been also treated at the Cherry Hospital for extreme alcoholism but she could not recall the name of the town in which the hospital is located. She said that she hoped that her husband does not return.

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Mrs. EZZELL said that PERNELL had called her on June 6, 1968 about 2:00 a.m. and the call lasted until about 3:00 or possibly a little later. She said he stated he was in Denver, Colorado. She said that on one occasion the call was interrupted by an operator who requested that he make a new call for credit charges which he did but the operator did not specifically identify herself as being in Denver, Colorado. Mrs. EZZELL said that PERNELL had called her on the morning of June 5, 1968 during the early hours saying that he was in Las Vegas, Nevada but she had no way of knowing his actual whereabouts at that time. She said that on both occasions he did not divulge his address or location. She said that in April, 1968, he was drinking heavily and she refused to allow him to come to the house with her children. She said he went to several motels around the Orlando, Florida area and ran up very large bills on credit cards which caused her financial difficulties. She said that on this occasions his drinking was only terminated when she took him to Dr. COLLINS for treatment of extreme alcoholism. She said that the doctor gave him tranquilizers to bring his shaking under control. She said he is a hopeless alcoholic and that when he is drinking he becomes affected mentally. Mrs. EZZELL advised that in the past PERNELL EZZELL when drinking had delusions of grandeur. She said that he would refer to big news stories in the newspapers and try to cause her to believe that he was in some way connected with military service intelligence and he would have to check on these news worthy events.



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She said that on several occasions when he was drinking and he had disappeared he would finally call her telling her that he had a large sum of money and that he would buy her all sorts of new presents. She said that on these occasions she found him penniless and drunk in North Florida.

Mrs. EZZELL said that when PERNELL called her on the past two mornings he had not made any allegations involving himself in any assassination plots on Dr. KING or Senator KENNEDY. She said he had not threatened anyone on these occasions except her when she told him she was seeking employment. He said that if she obtained a job he would come by and pick up the baby.

Mrs. EZZELL said that PERNELL did have some sort of a gun which he kept in his car because she would not allow him to bring it into the house. She said he had a permit to carry this gun because he worked as a guard during the night time at Associated Detective Agency, Orlando, Florida. She said he worked in the day time as a television technician for the Perdue Radio, Television and Appliances, Incorporated.

Mrs. EZZELL said that she has been receiving numerous bills from oil companies and American Express credit card which she did not open but forwarded to his mother in North Carolina because she could not pay them. She advised that she feels that her financial situation is so destitute that she will lose her home and furniture because of previous bills made by EZZELL.

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On June 6, 1968, Dr. HERBERT COLLINS, 3558 South Orange Avenue, Orlando, Florida, advised that he treated PERNELL EZZELL for about the past couple of years due to extreme alcoholism the last period of treatment being in April, 1968. He said this man is unstable but he did not further describe him.

On June 6, 1968, the files of the Orlando, Florida Police Department furnished by MARIAN HARRISON revealed PERNELL EZZELL was arrested on June 2, 1961 being charged as a public drunk; on November 19, 1961 being charged with driving while intoxicated; and he was picked up on suspicion of auto theft March 9, 1962 at which time he was turned over to the Orange County Sheriff's Office. No photograph or fingerprint records for EZZELL were available.

On June 6, 1968, BERNICE FOGARTY, Orange County Sheriff's Office, Orlando, Florida, Identification Division and Deputy PHILIP MURPHY, Plain Clothes Division, both advised that they could locate no information pertaining to EZZELL in their files.

The following physical description was obtained from Mr. WETZEL and Mrs. EZZELL:

Name:	PERNELL EZZELL
Race:	White
Sex:	Male
Date of Birth:	
Place of Birth:	Fayetteville, North Carolina

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PERNELL EZZELL

Height:	5'10"
Weight:	185
Hair:	Sandy and wavy
Eyes:	Blue
Marital Status:	Married
Wife:	FAY EZZELL 636 22nd Street Orlando, Florida
Children:	1 infant child from that marriage
Relatives:	
Mother:	ACRIE EZZELL Route 4 Box 236 Clinton, N. C.
Brother:	THOMAS OZELL EZZELL Age 33 Fayetteville, N.C.

It is noted that on July 5, 1967, Officer JAMES WATFORD, Kissimmee, Florida, Police Department, advised the Tampa Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) that PERNELL EZZELL had made statements to EZZELL's wife that he was an agent of the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) and in this capacity had to make secret trips, leaving his wife alone for periods of time. WATFORD indicated he knew of no one else who had been told by EZZELL that he was a CIA agent, and that there was no evidence EZZELL had obtained anything of value from anyone other than his wife (S)

On August 4, 1967, a representative of the CIA, Washington, D. C., advised that a check of CIA personnel files failed to disclose any individual named PERNELL EZZELL as being employed by that agency. (S)

On August 28, 1967, Assistant United States Attorney KENDELL WHERRY, Middle District of Florida, was informed of above facts by a Special Agent of the FBI. Mr. WHERRY stated that the facts were insufficient to constitute a violation of the Impersonation Statute, and that he would therefore decline prosecution of EZZELL.

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PERNELL EZZELL

EZZELL SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS  
IN VIEW OF HIS REPORTED POSSESSION OF A FIREARM, AND SINCE  
HE HAS BEEN DESCRIBED AS AN ALCOHOLIC WHO BECOMES UNSTABLE  
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AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI  
FROM: SAC, TAMPA (62-NEW)  
~~PERNELL EZZELL;~~  
INFORMATION CONCERNING

Attached are 11 copies of an LHM concerning captioned individual.

Interviews of FRANK WEITZELL and FAY EZZELL were conducted by SAs THOMAS E. McNALLY and GORDON W. TINDLE. SA McNALLY contacted Dr. HERBERT COLLINS and checked records of the Orlando Police Department and the Orange County Sheriff's Office, both Orlando, Florida.

Copies of LHM have been disseminated locally to Secret Service, Jacksonville, Fla., via FD-376; to OSI, Robins AFB, Georgia; MI, Orlando, Fla., and NISO, Charleston, South Carolina.

The Bureau may wish to disseminate a copy of the LHM to CIA, as the subject alleged he is on the CIA payroll.

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- ① - Los Angeles (Enc. 1) (RM)
- 1 - Las Vegas (Enc. 1) (RM)
- 1 - Memphis (Enc. 1) (RM)
- 3 - Tampa (1 - 157-3231) (MURKIN)  
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Tampa, Florida  
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PERNELL EZZELL

Reference is made to memorandum dated June 11, 1968, captioned as above.

On July 18, 1968, Mr. Emory Dowling, Sr., Owner, Perdue Radio, Television and Appliances, Incorporated, 2425 East Colonial Drive, Orlando, Florida, advised that the captioned individual had returned to Orlando, Florida. He had taken him back on his job as a technician.

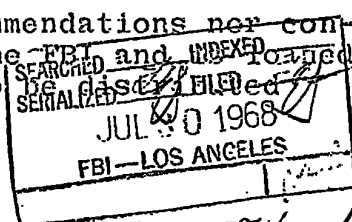
On June 13, 1968, Mrs. Fay Ezzell, 636 22nd Street, Orlando, Florida, advised that her husband had returned to Orlando, Florida, and she had seen him at the Holiday Inn located on South Orange Blossom Trail, Orlando, Florida. She said he had a gun and he had frightened a bell boy with it when he came to the room with ice. Allegedly her husband was drinking.

Mrs. Fay Ezzell said that her husband had not mentioned being connected with any conspiracy or plot to shoot Dr. Martin Luther King and Senator Robert Kennedy, but she was fearful of him in his condition.

Mrs. Ezzell said she understood she would have to consult either the Orlando, Florida Police Department or the Orange County Sheriff's Office for any personal protection.

On June 13, 1968, Sergeant George Pegues, Orlando Police Department, Orlando, Florida, was advised of the above information furnished on that date by Mrs. Ezzell. It was also furnished to Deputy Sheriff Otis Mosley, Orange County Sheriff's Office, Orlando, Florida, on the same date who said he had Ezzell's presence verified at the motel but the management said they could not locate any bell boy who had encountered Ezzell with a gun. They did locate one who had served him ice but he denied Ezzell had confronted him with a gun.

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INFORMATION CONCERNING

OO: TAMPA

Re Tampa airtel to Bureau dated 6/11/68.

Attached are 11 copies of an LHM dated and captioned as above. Information copies are furnished to recipient offices.

Investigation in the attached LHM was conducted by SA GORDON W. TINDLE.

Copies of the LHM have been disseminated locally to Secret Service, Jacksonville, Florida; OSI, Robins AFB, Georgia, HI, Orlando, Florida, and NISO, Charleston, South Carolina for completion of information to their files.

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AIRTEL

AIR MAIL

TO: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)  
FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)  
SUBJECT: MURKIN

Enclosed for the Memphis Office is a Xeroxed copy of record of Superior Court, Los Angeles County, No. 129438, regarding the case of the People vs. JAMES EARL RAY. This action resulted from his arrest in Los Angeles 10/7/49 for burglary.

The enclosed was furnished by Captain CLIFFORD MONTGOMERY, Los Angeles County Sheriff's Office.

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