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Mrs. KEPP described RAY as male Caucasian, 35 - 36 years old, 5'10" - 5'11", husky build, broad shoulders and appeared to have muscular arms under his coat; weighed about 190 pounds; light brown hair, worn short on top and a little longer on the sides; full face; cleft in his chin; wearing a gray checked sports coat, white shirt and a greenish-gray tie. He was neat in appearance and spoke with a slight Southern or Western accent. RAY was talkative but restricted his conversation to the tickets.

## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 5/1/68

STEVEN THOME, 355 West Acacia, Glendale, son of HAROLD JAMES THOME, was telephonically contacted to determine the whereabouts of his father, who had attempted to have an audience with MARTIN LUTHER KING in Atlanta, Georgia, in November, 1967, for an unknown reason. He stated his father left Los Angeles, California, sometime in late 1967 and his whereabouts have been unknown since that time. He stated his father had called him long distance collect on two occasions since Christmas, 1967. However, he did not know the origin of the calls and would advise this office when he received his telephone bill indicating the charges. THOME stated his father was alienated from his son, TIM THOME, and from his former wife, and would not contact either of them. He refused to furnish the current address or telephone number of his mother, stating she knew nothing concerning HAROLD THOME's whereabouts and he did not want her to be interviewed. THOME suggested contacting the Barnett Buick Company who had sold his father a 1966 Buick, as he knew they were looking for his father.

THOME stated he was positive his father would not be implicated in the assassination of MARTIN LUTHER KING, as he was very sympathetic to the cause of the Negro people.

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1Date 5/8/68

Miss KAREN VANDERFORD, 254 1/8 Coronado Street, Apartment 40, Los Angeles, advised that JAMES E. SIMS, who owned a 1964 Pontiac Tempest, California license KDT 654 was her stepfather and was 26 years of age. She stated her mother, Mrs. TERRY SIMS, and SIMS were traveling in the South in an effort to locate SIMS' mother. Miss VANDERFORD received a letter during March 1968 from her mother indicating they had sold or traded their car, possibly in Houston, Texas.

Miss VANDERFORD did not know anyone named HAROLD THOME and did not believe her mother or stepfather knew anyone by that name.

She stated she had received a letter on May 6, 1968, from her mother indicating they would be residing at 2234 East Michigan, Number Three, Indianapolis, Indiana, for about two weeks.

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STEPHEN THOME, 355 West Acacia, Glendale, California, telephonically advised he had recently received his telephone bill, and the last telephone call he had received from his father had been from a public telephone in Arlington, Texas on April 12, 1968. THOME stated he would be happy to advise this office if he learned the whereabouts of his father, however, his father has indicated he intends traveling around and THOME does not expect to receive a definite address from him. THOME stated the family realized he needed psychiatric help and had tried to commit him to an institution before he disappeared but the local psychiatric authorities refused to commit him.

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Mr. DONALD PARNELL, Credit Department, Shell Oil Company, advised he had no record of a credit card in the name of HAROLD J. THOME, but would check company records in Oklahoma to determine if such card existed. He stated it would take him two or three days to obtain the information for review.

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Mr. STEPHEN HILL, Union Oil Company Credit Department, advised that as their account in the name of HAROLD J. THOME had been let out for collection, the collection agency would have the most recent charges, and the only credit purchased they would have on microfilm would be of purchases made prior to the time it was turned over to the collection agency.

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PAUL ZANDER, Collection Manager, Union Bank, Ventura and Sepulveda Boulevards, stated he had accomplished the recovery of the 1966 Buick, purchased by HAROLD J. THOME, in Atlanta, Georgia. He stated the car had been repossessed by the Auto Recovery Bureau, 2680 Gordon Road, Southwest, Atlanta, on January 15, 1968. He stated this agency would have the residence and employment of THOME on file as of that date. ZANDER understood THOME, who has been confined in Camarillo State Hospital, had become a hippie type, and before leaving Los Angeles, had lived with a group of hippies on a farm called the "hog farm" near Tujunga, California. He stated his investigation had established THOME had travelled about the United States between June, 1967 and January, 1968 for an unknown reason. He said THOME had Union Oil and Shell Oil credit cards which he had used in his travels, and the Union Oil Company had turned their account over to the U. S. Credit Bureau, Los Angeles, for collection. He knew nothing of the Shell Oil account.

He stated the interest of the Union Bank was terminated when the Buick was recovered.

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Mr. JOSEPH POWERS, Secretary-Treasurer, Barnett Buick Company, 500 South San Fernando Road, advised the automobile they had sold HAROLD J. THOME had been financed through the Union Bank of Los Angeles and they had been looking for THOME. He stated the Union Bank should have details on the purchase of the car.

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1Date 5/1/68

Mr. WILLIAM REYNOLDS, U. S. Credit Bureau, 125 South Vermont Avenue, advised they were handling the collection on the Union Oil Company credit card of HAROLD J. THOME. Mr. REYNOLDS had charged cards indicating THOME had purchased gasoline in the following cities on the following dates:

October 11, 1967	Bouse, Arizona
October 22, 1967	Hightown, New Jersey
November 1, 1967	Atlanta, Georgia
November 6, 1967	Decatur, Georgia
March 8 or 9, 1968	Van Horn, Texas

The gasoline was purchased in Van Horn for an automobile bearing California license KDT 654, which Mr. REYNOLDS said was registered with the Department of Motor Vehicles in California to JAMES E. SIMS, 254 1/8 Coronado, Number 40, Los Angeles. Mr. REYNOLDS stated older gasoline charges would be in the possession of Union Oil Company.

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date May 22, 1968

JOHN LOPEZ VILLAREAL, 1207 $\frac{1}{2}$  Huntley Drive, Los Angeles, was interviewed at his residence during the afternoon of May 22, 1968, at which time he furnished the following information:

He is currently a self-employed artist and restorer of antique furniture from his residence. He was formerly a bar tender at the Waldorf Bar, 527 South Main Street, Los Angeles, California, for several years. Prior to that he has worked as a bar tender at various bars throughout Southern California.

He stated that to the best of his knowledge he has never met JAMES EARL RAY, alias ERIC STARVO GALT. Several photographs were exhibited to Mr. VILLAREAL, including six different poses of JAMES EARL RAY. He stated that none of the photos shown him appeared to be anyone that he was acquainted with. He did not recall ever seeing anyone like RAY as either a bartender or customer in the Waldorf Bar, when he, VILLAREAL, was employed there.

Mr. VILLAREAL stated that he resides alone with his four dogs at the above Huntley Drive address. His residence telephone number is 623-3717.

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by SAS FRANCIS G. KAHL F.G.K.  
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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date May 1, 1968

File number 569-198D of the Records and Identification Section, Los Angeles Police Department, Los Angeles, California, was reviewed on May 1, 1968, regarding ROLAND GERALD DENINNO, with aliases, RONALD GERALD DE NINNO, RONALD ROBERT DENINNO, RONNIE GERLAD DENINNO, FBI # 821 464 D, and the following information was obtained:

DR #62-552 940, Booking number 815939, noted DENINNO, nickname RONNIE, then reportedly residing at 1023 West 102nd Street, Los Angeles, and employed by the Rheem Califone Corporation, 5922 Bowcroft, Los Angeles, was arrested at 10:00 A.M., December 6, 1962, by detectives from the Wilshire Division of the Los Angeles Police Department. This record indicates that DENINNO, was a shipping clerk at Rheem Califone Corp., and was one of numerous suspects who had been stealing tape recorders from the loading dock and warehouse in the previous six months, the estimated value of the stolen tape recorders was in excess of \$10,000.00.

DENINNO was taken into custody at his place of employment and transported to the Wilshire Division, where he stated he had been stealing tape recorders through a conspiracy with a co-employee, PHILLIP LOVE, and a Denver-Chicago truck driver. He further stated he was disposing of the items with RONALD J. SIMPSON (Booking number 815 514), by selling them to various persons from his own and SIMPSON's residence.

At the time of this arrest he indicated the person to be notified in case of an emergency, was RUTH SCHINDEWOLF, mother, 6220 South Pioneer, Whittier, California (telephone QX-9 7182). The following associates were listed:

RONALD SIMPSON - 4447 Kingswell (?)  
HENRY CHANEY - 11333 Cresson, Norwalk, Denver-Chicago Truck driver  
PHILLIP LOVE - 4069 Avalon (janitor, Rheem Califone Corp.)

Under Booking number 432944, it was noted he was arrested on July 16, 1961, on a charge of burglary, at 3464 Larissa Street. The victim of this burglary was indicated to be JEROLD SCHOVE (although in another location in the record the name was shown as GERALD P. SCHOVE). It was indicated that the victim stated he would not prosecute. The suspect was arrested at his own residence, 830 1/2 South Olive, Los Angeles. Fifty-four 45RPM records, believed to be a portion of the loss of some 500 such records in the burglary, were found in the suspect's room.

On May 1, 1968 at Los Angeles, California File # 44-1574 -D-294

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When arrested, DENINNO said, "I don't know anything about any burglary. I'm on parole now for narcotics. George gave me those records today."

This record indicated that at the time of this July 16, 1961, arrest, he was unemployed. He listed as the person to be notified in case of an emergency, Miss SHARON TERRELL, 701 South New Hampshire (cousin), telephone DU 2-9555.

The following associates were recorded in connection with this burglary arrest:

GEORGE RICHARD HENDERSON, associate, 420 North Second, Los Angeles  
BETTY GLEASON, relative, 4977 Astor Avenue, Bandini, Calif.  
RUTH SANDERSON, parent, 5405 Pioneer, Whittier, California.

He claimed he had attended Bell Gardens High School, to the 12th Grade, in 1960. That he had done time in Preston School of Industry; and that he was on parole to Parole Officer ROSS, at the Parole Office headquartered at Seventh and New Hampshire, Los Angeles.

He listed as a credit reference, the jewelry store (not named) at 2913 East Whittier (city not indicated).

He was arrested on August 10, 1967, for violation of 255 P.C. (assault with a deadly weapon). At that time he was driving a 1966 black Mustang 2-door, with the then current California license RHV-519. The record indicated his occupation to be that of a beautician. He listed Coberly Ford as a credit reference. He claimed to have married JACKIE DENINNO, in Los Angeles in 1964; and she was then believed to be residing at an unknown street address on Russell Street (city not indicated), telephone 664-3261. They had one child, ROBERT DENINNO, one year old. His own parents were listed as ROBERT DENINNO, address unknown; and RUTH DENINNO, address unknown. He listed a friend, ANTHONY CASTELLANO, 122 Kensington Street, Los Angeles, California (no telephone).

Comments were contained which indicated he had attended Garfield High School, and had graduated from that school; that he had attended the Newberry Beautician School, at Hollywood Boulevard and Wilcox, in Hollywood for eight months. It was stated that he had been treated by Dr. STARK, 2300 South Hope Street, Los Angeles for his left hand, which was smashed while working for ANTHONI MACORONI.

There was also a comment in this particular record that he had prior arrests for grand theft and narcotics violations. His "M.O." in this particular ADW arrest, indicated he had assaulted his victim with a butcher knife; however Deputy District Attorney JOSEPH REICHMANN declined prosecution for the following reason, "No injuries. Best handled as a misdemeanor. Refer to City Attorney."

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This arrest noted he "hangs out at the Orbit Bar, 1500 North Western Avenue; and the Le Laez Bar, on Melrose."

In this LAPD file the following residence addresses were noted:

8/10/67 - 1015 North Ardmore, #208, Hollywood

Friend \* MARIE MARTIN

2/6/67 - 4622 La Mirada, Los Angeles

4/1/66 - 4811 Rosewood, Los Angeles

Notify DIANE KLIEN, friend (telephone 464-5936)

2/24/66 - 415 North Lake, Los Angeles

Notify JACKIE HANEY, friend (telephone 661-1821)

10/25/65 - 869 North Dillon, Los Angeles

5/23/64 - 5025 Jardine, Los Angeles

Notify ESPERANZA GARZA, Aunt, 1012 South Mohawk.

DENINNO was described as an adult male Caucasian, born [redacted] 5'10", 150 pounds, Brown hair, and brown eyes, Social Security number [redacted] CII # 1 246 559; and FBI # 821 464 D.

## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date May 1, 1968

Felony File #A-540338, in Room 448, Hall of Justice, 211 West Temple Street, Los Angeles, California, was reviewed on May 1, 1968, concerning the Superior Court Record of RONALD DENINNO, at which time the following information was obtained:

RONALD DENINNO, together with KENNETH BODE, ANDRE STEWART, and MURRAY MAKALII, were named in an Information filed April 13, 1967, charging them with "...violation of Health and Safety Code Section, 11531, in that they did willfully, unlawfully and feloniously sell, furnish and give away a narcotic, to wit, marijuana, on or about December 6, 1966. In addition, STEWART and MAKALII were also charged with violation of Health and Safety Code Section 11530 (possession of marijuana).

On May 4, 1967, GUY JOHNSON was added as a defendant, and he was charged with violation of the above two sections of the Health and Safety Code, plus Section 11910 (possession of a restricted dangerous drug in the nature of pills, to wit, Amphetamine Sulphate).

On December 5, 1967, it was again amended to add violation of Section 11530 (possession) for DENINNO.

On March 31, 1967, bail was set for DENINNO in the amount of \$5,000 plus a \$500.00 penalty assessment bond previously posted was to remain.

DENINNO's lawyer, DON TERRY, was released on November 9, 1967, and attorney RICHARD CABALLERO was substituted.

The Probation Officer Report, Prob # X-387993, re RONALD ROBERT DENINNO, true name RONALD GERALD DENINNO, was filed on December 26, 1967. It indicated that DENINNO was a male Caucasian, born [redacted] He had a high school education, and left school at age 18. He was married and in good health. He had no military service record. The following information from the Probation Officer's Report was supplied by the defendant and from inactive probation files:

Defendant was an only child, was born in the Los Angeles area. His parents are divorced (having been divorced in 1944). His mother remarried the same year. The defendant stated his father was presently in Arkansas; and his mother and her present husband live at 6420 South Pioneer, Whittier, California. The defendant has been married twice. First time in 1961, ended in separation and divorce the following year. Married JACKIE HEINIE in 1963, who presently, along with her

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infant son, is living in the home of her mother at 4615 Russell, Los Angeles, California. Defendant stated he had two children from his first marriage, present whereabouts unknown.

Defendant left high school while in the 12th grade, when he was committed to the California Youth Authority. He claims to have completed his high schooling and to have graduated while an inmate.

As to his past employment, he has worked as a spray painter, printer, shipping clerk, and machine operator. He was last employed at Anthony's Macaroni Manufacturing, in Los Angeles from 1964 to 1966, when he was injured, receiving a crushed hand. He was averaging \$100 per week, while employed. After the accident he received compensation of \$60.00 per week until October 1967, when a settlement was made. He reported that he received \$5,500 in cash, and was to receive an additional \$57.50 per week, until a total of \$10,000 was paid. He had no other income; was buying an automobile worth \$6000.00, on which he still owed \$4,000.00; with payments of \$142.00 per month. He had other obligations, totaling around \$2,000.00 which he was paying off as he was able.

He claimed, to have tried marijuana once as a juvenile and to have obtained from its use since. Claimed he was only a social drinker.

The Probation Officer Report contained the following local arrest information:

[illegible]

5/21/61 - Los Angeles Sheriff's Office - Traffic - Released.

6/2/61 - San Diego Police Department - Robbery - Released.

7/16/61 - Los Angeles Police Department - Grand Theft Money, subsequently charged with violation of Section 487.1 PC (Grand Theft Merchandise) 1 count. Convicted and on 5/10/63, probation denied and he was sentenced to one year in county jail.

5/21/64 - Los Angeles Sheriff's Office - Traffic Warrants - Released.

12/7/66 - Pasadena Police Department - Investigation 11531 Health and Safety Code.

A clinical study made in 1956, reported, "Showed evidence of pseudo-masculine aggressive reaction. He is of average intelligence. There were indications of compulsive, controlling, manipulating, somewhat psychopathic features."



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Probation Officer's Comments

"Although one of the lesser lights in this particular transaction, apparently is more deeply involved in the narcotics traffice than he cares to admit...A review of the background reflects considerable irresponsible conduct, with lack of insight as to the seriousness of his behavior. The probation officer has the feeling that defendant actually knew full well what he was doing, no doubt having engaged in similar activities in the past. As a result of all this and the magnitude of the particular situation, it is not believed that he is deserving of a great deal of consideration. It is recommended that probation be denied."

This report was signed by DANIEL E. BOYD, Deputy Probation Officer, Foothill area.

Co-Defendant MURRAY PETER MAKALII

This record indicated that co-defendant MURRAY PETER MAKALII, was a male prostitute, born [redacted] in Honolulu, Hawaii. The record indicated he had supported himself since 1965, "hustling as a male prostitute, and female impersonator." During the period from March 10, 1960 and December 6, 1966, he had 37 known arrests in California, after coming to this state from Hawaii. He has used the aliases SABRINA DEBRA VAKALI, DONNA MAKALII, LAKALII MURRAY, FRANCIS VANN, etc.

Co-Defendant KENNETH G. BODE

The file contained a personal letter postmarked November 15, 1967, to Judge RICHARD F. C. HAYDEN, Hall of Justice, Los Angeles, California, from KENNETH G. BODE, age 27, 2384½ Loma Vista Place, Los Angeles; noting his attorney to be WILLIAM H. HALL, and his probation officer, H.F. KISSANE. He claimed this arrest to have been his first offense. He also claimed he had been employed on the same job continuously since June 1965, "with a proud work record." He indicated he planed to enter the field of marine technology and photography having started the preliminaries to entering the Los Angeles Underwater Instructors School (County Lifesaving Course). He claimed he had changed his friends and surroundings. The record indicates he was placed on probation for ten years; and fined \$1,500.00.

## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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Date 4/19/68

JOHN HOWARD, co-manager of the premises at 923 South Irolo Street, Los Angeles, California, telephone 382-3493, advised that he has served in this capacity since January 22, 1968.

HOWARD advised that he has no knowledge of any person with the name of ERIC STARVO GALT or any person named ERIC GALT or ERIC GAULT, except for what he had read in the newspapers. He said that no person so-named was presently a tenant at that address, nor had he been to his (HOWARD's) knowledge. HOWARD checked available records which went back to October, 1967, but found no record of pertinence.

HOWARD said he had not seen any mail coming to this address for persons with the above mentioned names, or for anyone named GALT or GAULT.

When a description of GALT was given to HOWARD, he said that this brought to mind only one person. He related the circumstances of meeting this person as follows:

Last Saturday, April 20, 1968, HOWARD went to the restaurant named ZAMBOANG, 3331 West Eighth Street, Los Angeles, going there about 1:00 A.M. This restaurant is located on the northwest corner of Eighth Street and Irolo Street. This restaurant is run by a person named PETE; possibly of Phillipine origin. HOWARD was alone when he went to the restaurant. There was a U-shaped counter and HOWARD sat opposite two men. They said they were waiting for the bar to open and were drinking coffee. HOWARD left the restaurant about 5:00 A.M. that morning and the two men were still there. HOWARD said he had not seen them previously nor since. HOWARD said he did not know the names, addresses or places of employment for these men.

Nearly all the talking was performed by one of the men, who, HOWARD said, resembled the description.

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After a Negro left the restaurant, this man said in effect "God damn these niggers, they ought to kill them all." HOWARD asked this man how he felt about the KING assassination and the uprisings that then occurred and this man said "You ought to be in Alabama and then you would know how they felt." HOWARD asked him if he knew where the spot of assassination occurred and the man said he knew exactly as he had lived in Alabama all his life. HOWARD asked him what he was doing here and the man said that he was just bumming around. HOWARD asked him if he was going back to Alabama and he said he probably would in May. HOWARD described this man as follows:

Name	Unknown
Address	Unknown
Race	White
Age	About 25 - 30 years
Height	5'10 $\frac{1}{2}$ "
Weight	170-175 pounds
Eyes	Blue
Build	Medium
Complexion	Ruddy, with acne-like pits on face. Complexion rough on cheeks opposite mouth.
Hair	Brown, cut in flat top style. Hair appeared dry and HOWARD said that if grease were put on it, it would be darker. The hair on the sides was somewhat long and unruly, not being combed. That portion of his hair was rather "messy".
Tattoo	Had a tattoo on one arm.
Eyeglasses	None seen.
Clothing	He wore a short-sleeved sport shirt having a big check pattern. Wore no tie nor coat. His clothing was not neat and seemed rather dirty.

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Miscellaneous

He said he had been out here only a short time but was not more specific in this regard. HOWARD said he felt this man was a "typical dumb Southern hillbilly". He had a definite Southern accent.

HOWARD said that the other man who said very little did talk to the waitress. HOWARD said this man did not fit the description while describing him as follows:

Name and address	Unknown
Place of work	Unknown
Race	White
Age	About 25 years.
Height	Was not seen standing, but estimated at 5'6" or 7"
Weight	180 pounds
Hair	Had a lot of black hair, combed back and having a wave.
Build	Stocky
Complexion	Dark
Miscellaneous	This man was not heard to say where he was from.

HOWARD said he saw neither of these men with an automobile.

Also, in the restaurant there was an older man, in his 60's, of the white race. He had no teeth and talked to the man from Alabama. This older man said to him "Hell, I have known you for ten years and you haven't even said hello to me." The older man said he was from Alabama. The two of

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them were talking when HOWARD left the restaurant. HOWARD said he does not know the name, address or place of work of this older man.

HOWARD said that PETE, operator of the restaurant, was not seen at the restaurant that morning and that the waitress, name unknown, was believed to be recently hired, as he, HOWARD, had not seen her before.

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STURGELL advised that he has no knowledge of any person with the name of ERIC STARVO GALT or of any person named ERIC GALT or ERIC GAULT, except for what he had read in the newspapers. He said that no person so-named was presently a tenant at this address, nor had he been, to his (STURGELL's) knowledge.

STURGELL was furnished a description of GALT, but STURGELL advised that he did not know anyone fitting it. STURGELL advised that he had not seen any mail coming to this address for persons with the above-mentioned names, nor for anyone named GALT or GAULT.

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

1Date 4/23/68

JOHN HOWARD, co-manager, North Harvard Apartments, 1626 North Harvard, Los Angeles, California, telephone 666-9254, advised that he formerly managed the premises at 923 South Irolo Street, Los Angeles.

HOWARD advised that he had seen the pictures of ERIC STARVO GALT in the newspapers, those showing him with eyes open and with eyes shut. He said that he had also seen a picture of JAMES EARL RAY in the papers. He said that these pictures were not of the person he had seen on the morning of April 20, 1968, in the restaurant named Zamboang, at 3331 West Eighth Street, Los Angeles. HOWARD said that he had no further information regarding this person he saw and had not seen him since. HOWARD said that he did not know the man's whereabouts or how he could be located.

SA ALBERT N. CARLBLOM exhibited photographs of GALT, with eyes open and with eyes shut, but HOWARD stated that they were not of the person he had seen in the restaurant.

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1Date 5/29/68

ADRIAN ROSE, 1140 Gower, Los Angeles, California, (Apartment 406), was interviewed on May 28, 1968, and advised as follows:

He has no personal information concerning the murder of MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., other than what he has read in the newspaper. He said that he would contact this office if any information of value comes to his attention.

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by SAs G. J. MOOREHEAD and  
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Dr. WALTER H. SMARTT (conceal identity), Chief of Venereal Disease Control, Los Angeles County Health Department, 220 North Broadway, Room 712, advised that a search of the records of persons diagnosed and reported as possessing a venereal disease disclosed no record identifiable with subject's true name or aliases. Dr. SMARTT advised that these records covered Syphilis, Gonorrhea and other lesser known venereal diseases.

Dr. SMARTT advised that the records of the Hollywood-Wilshire Health Center showed no record of subject ever being tested for the presences of a venereal disease.

Dr. SMARTT cautioned that the above information is strictly confidential and prohibited from being made public by law.

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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WORKS was asked his whereabouts from April 4, 1968, to the present date. WORKS related that on April 4, 1968, he was in Fulton, Mississippi, the entire day. He said his whereabouts on April 4, 1968, could be verified through BILLY WALLACE, who operates a used car dealership in Fulton; CLEN BESLEY, who operates a coffee shop in Fulton; and LLOYD ROBINSON, to whom WORKS sold his home in Fulton, Mississippi. WORKS said he saw ROBINSON every day while in the process of selling his home. He further stated that on April 4, 1968, he obtained a haircut from the partner of WILLARD CONWELL, at CONWELL's barber shop in Fulton. WORKS advised that on April 5, 1968, he had a tooth extracted by Dr. G. W. JOHNSON, Fulton, at approximately noon.

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Eyes	Blue
Weight	135 pounds
Hair	Dark brown, crew cut
Mississippi Driver's License Number	[REDACTED]
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Army Serial Number	[REDACTED]
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Characteristics	Right handed; freckled face
Medical History	Bleeding ulcers and lung condition, Veterans Administration Claim Number C19957248
Marital Status	Married
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Prior marriage	
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On April 24, 1968 a photograph and ink impression of the rear recap tire found on the auto abandon by ERIC S. GALT in Atlanta, Georgia, were shown to the following owners of tire mold manufacturing companies in Southern California:

RUDY PELUST, Owner, L.A. Matrix Company  
5530 Borwick, South Gate, California

BERT HUGHS, Owner, Ace Tire Mold Company  
1817 South Chico, South El Monte, California

PAUL DROBAMEN, Owner, General Equipment Exchange  
354 Tennessee Street, Redlands, California

MAURICE CLAPP, Owner, S. M. C., Inc.,  
Colton at Wabash, Mentone, California

None of the above owners were able to identify the tread of the recap tire as coming from a recap tire mold manufactured by their respective companies.

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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GEORGE GREGORY MOCKBEE, age 18, born [redacted] on Long Island, New York, was interviewed at his residence, Apartment 7, 11143 Bryant Street. Present during the interview was his mother, Mrs. BLANCHE PEREZ.

MOCKBEE related that earlier in May, 1968, he was visiting his aunt, Mrs. JOAN BRUNO, 3297 Ashford Street, Linda Vista, San Diego, California. About 11:00 p.m. on May 17, 1968, he left his aunt JOAN's residence accompanied by his cousin, TONY BRUNO, and his brother, BOB MOCKBEE, and his cousin TONY drove his 1965 Barracuda. TONY drove him to the home of Mrs. MARJORIE AUBERT, Tait Street, San Diego, where TONY's acquaintances, BECKY JOSEPH and STEPHEN AUBERT, children of MARJORIE AUBERT, reside. TONY then drove off with BOB MOCKBEE.

GEORGE MOCKBEE related that he was not feeling too well when he arrived at the AUBERT residence and almost immediately after his arrival there, he went outside of the residence and sat on the front steps. He states he was nauseated as a result of drinking a can of beer, and he became sick to his stomach.

GEORGE MOCKBEE states that about 20 minutes after he commenced sitting on the steps in front of the AUBERT residence, a San Diego police car drove up to the residence and two policemen came up onto the property. One of the policemen asked what was wrong, and MOCKBEE states he replied he did not know why they came but did state he was sick.

At about the same time as he had the above conversation with the policeman, TONY BRUNO returned in his car along with BOB MOCKBEE, age 15.

STEPHEN AUBERT was in the house and he came to the door and invited GEORGE MOCKBEE to enter. BOB MOCKBEE arrived at the front door and said, "Come in." GEORGE MOCKBEE states he does not know whether his brother said this to him or to the policemen who were outside of the door. GEORGE MOCKBEE states he walked into the house and was followed by the two

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policemen. GEORGE MOCKBEE noted that because he was not feeling well, he laid down on a couch in the living room.

One of the policemen, R. SIX, asked STEPHEN AUBERT where his parents were. The latter replied he did not have to answer. SIX then asked AUBERT what time his parents would be home, and AUBERT gave him the same answer as before. SIX asked possibly two or three other questions, not now recalled by MOCKBEE, and AUBERT told the policeman to get out of his house, that the policeman did not have a search warrant or words to this effect. SIX then said to STEPHEN AUBERT, "Let me ask you one more question?" MOCKBEE does not recall the question asked, but he remembers AUBERT said, "I can shoot you."

MOCKBEE states that one of the officers then grabbed AUBERT by the shoulders and lifted him up off of a chair. He does not recall which officer did this, but AUBERT squirmed out of the officer's hands and ran into the kitchen. He was followed by one of the officers, but MOCKBEE states he does not recall which one. MOCKBEE does not know what happened in the kitchen but recalls there was a lot of noise and it sounded like people were wrestling around in the kitchen. MOCKBEE pointed out that he could not see in the kitchen beyond the doorway.

GEORGE MOCKBEE states that TONY BRUNO ran into the kitchen, and he observed BRUNO jump on the back of one of the officers and grab the officer around the neck. The other officer ran into the kitchen and as he was just inside the doorway, MOCKBEE could see that TONY BRUNO shoved the second officer backwards.

MOCKBEE relates that he saw the second officer take his billy club in his hand and then the officer moved out of MOCKBEE's view in the kitchen. He did not see the officer hit BRUNO nor does he know that the officer hit BRUNO, but BRUNO staggered out of the kitchen, doubled over and fell on the floor in the living room. MOCKBEE next observed both policemen leading STEPHEN AUBERT out of the kitchen handcuffed, and they took him out to the police car. MOCKBEE continued that TONY BRUNO got up and ran out of the house and started shouting at the officers not to put AUBERT in the car.

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MOCKBEE advises that at this point he got up from the couch and walked out of the house. One of the policemen came to the front of the house and asked MOCKBEE for his name, and the other officer went to handcuff TONY BRUNO who was still shouting on the front lawn, but what he was saying is not now recalled by MOCKBEE.

MOCKBEE recalls TONY BRUNO was resisting the officer by squirming and then one of the officers pinned one of BRUNO's arms behind his back, at which time the second officer then assisted in handcuffing him. He recalled that just before BRUNO was handcuffed and while his arm was pinned behind his back, BRUNO shouted, "I give, I give," meaning that he wanted to give in. BRUNO was then put into the police car.

MOCKBEE stated that at this point, Mrs. MARJORIE AUBERT drove up in her car. She was accompanied by her young daughter. She left her car and ran to the police car unaware at this time that her son was in the police car. He recalls she asked R. SIX what was going on, and he informed her that the police had a complaint of a disturbance or a disturbing of the peace or something like that.

MOCKBEE noted that during the approximate 20 minutes that he sat in front of the AUBERT residence prior to the arrival of the police there had been no disturbance in the AUBERT house.

He continued that when Mrs. AUBERT discovered her son, STEPHEN, was in the police car, she started forward to open the police car door saying, "I want my son," and Officer SIX said, "I'm sorry, he is in our custody." He heard Mrs. AUBERT ask why STEPHEN was under arrest, and SIX said that they were not under arrest. Thereupon Mrs. AUBERT asked his name, and when he replied SIX, she said she wanted his name not his badge number. There were several questions concerning name and/or badge number between Mrs. AUBERT and SIX, and finally officers got into the police car and drove off.

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About 20 minutes later the police car came back and STEPHEN AUBERT left the car and walked to his house. The same two policemen were in the car and in another police car, a station wagon, a police sergeant, name not known, went into the kitchen where he had some conversation with Mrs. AUBERT. MOCKBEE did not hear the conversation except to hear Mrs. AUBERT state that she was going to call her lawyer. Whereupon one of the officers said for her to go ahead and call the lawyer. Thereafter the sergeant left as well as the two other policemen with TONY BRUNO still in the police car.

MOCKBEE advises that possibly an hour later, JOE AUBERT came to his home, and he then drove MOCKBEE to the BRUNO residence. Upon arrival there, MOCKBEE observed the two policemen, TONY BRUNO, Mrs. BRUNO, and Mrs. AUBERT in the BRUNO driveway. They were talking. He does not know what they were talking about because he went directly into the house and to bed.

GEORGE MOCKBEE advised that he did not desire to furnish this information in the form of a signed statement.

## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date May 23, 1968

Miss DEBORAH JEAN RAY, also known as DEBBIE RAY, was interviewed at her apartment, 6633 Darby Avenue, Reseda, California. She stated she is 18 years of age, single, born in Mount Pleasant, Pennsylvania. She has been in California for eight years. At the present time she is not employed, but is living off Los Angeles County Welfare. She has been employed in the past at Corbin Bowl, in Tarzana, California as a "Blue Chip stamp girl." She said she frequents bowling alleys, as her favorite hobby is watching bowling matches. She said she does not compete in bowling to any great extent, as she has some problems with her legs and feet as a result of polio she suffered as a child.

Miss RAY stated she has attended several schools throughout the metropolitan Los Angeles area, since coming to California eight years ago. The most recent school was Reseda High School, Reseda, California.

Although single, Miss RAY stated she is engaged to be married in the near future to Mr. DENNIS MARTIN RUCH. She stated she has never seen or met JAMES EARL RAY, and is not related to him. Several photographs of JAMES EARL RAY were included in a group of other photographs exhibited to Miss DEBORAH JEAN RAY, and she stated that none of the pictures shown her were of anyone she knows or recalls having seen.

Miss RAY was at a loss to understand how her name may have been included in the mailing list of the Wilshire Book Company; as she has absolutely no recollection of having ever ordered or purchased any books from that company. It was pointed out that one of the titles published by the Wilshire Book Company deals with bowling; and Miss RAY said that if that was the case, it is possible that someone at one of the bowling establishments she frequents may have submitted her name as a potential purchaser. As her bowling activity is largely limited to that of a spectator, Miss RAY has not had any occasion to purchase any of the Wilshire Book Company's books.

Photos of Miss RAY's boy friend do not resemble JAMES EARL RAY.

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RAY F. SESMA, Room 106, Selma Hotel, 1740 North Hudson, was contacted at the "The Pampered Pup", a walk-up eating stand located vicinity of Vine Street and Selma Avenue. After being advised of the identity of the contacting agent, he was interviewed regarding his knowledge of JAMES EARL RAY, also known as Eric S. Galt. SESMA was shown photographs of RAY. SESMA advised that he had no knowledge of RAY and that the photographs of him are not familiar.

SESMA advised that he is a friend of DYRELL DENNIS and that he has lived with her recently. He advised that she is a user of narcotics and that she has engaged in prostitution activity. SESMA stated that DENNIS no longer lives in the Hollywood Area but has moved to the Midwest. SESMA stated that he has been a frequent customer at the Sultan Room at the St. Francis Hotel.

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Date 6/4/68

DARLENE E. DE LUCA, 8422 Alvarado Drive (536-2456) advised she is Mrs. WILLIAM LAWRENCE DE LUCA. She stated she had placed a "For Sale by Owner" sign on the front lawn of her home and a man came to her home on May 15, 1968 about 2:00 p.m., and indicated he was interested in buying it. She left the man in her living room and went to the kitchen to call her sister who is knowledgeable concerning real estate and arranged to have her sister meet with the potential customer on the following evening. When she returned to the living room the man indicated he would return the next day and would bring with him \$500 as a deposit.

After the man left, Mrs. DE LUCA noted that her purse, which had been left in the living room, had been gone through and her check book, driver's license and assorted credit cards and identification cards had been taken. She reported the theft to the Huntington Beach Police Department.

On approximately May 22, 1968, Mrs. DE LUCA was advised by Detective WOODRUM, Victorville, California, Police Department, that a man had attempted to cash a check on her account at the Security First National Bank, Victorville, but had left the bank when the manager went to make a phone call to check the account. She stated Detective WOODRUM had the check in his possession.

On May 29, 1968, she received a letter in the mail from a Mr. PERRY, owner of Perry's Country Store and Restaurant. This envelope contained a number of credit and identification cards which had been taken from her purse. She telephoned Mr. PERRY on May 29, 1968 inquiring as to where he obtained her property and he stated one of his waitresses had found it on a table where a lone woman had finished a cup of coffee.

Mrs. DE LUCA indicated the following credit cards are still missing: Montgomery Ward, J.C. Penny, Atlantic-Richfield, Shell, Mobil and Gulf. These cards bear the name W.L. DE LUCA.

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Mrs. DE LUCA stated the man who apparently took her credit cards, check book and other items, was driving a late model gold and black car.

She described him as follows:

Race	White
Sex	Male
Age	Early 30's
Height	5'11"
Weight	170 pounds
Hair	Black

Mrs. DE LUCA examined a photograph of JAMES EARL RAY and indicated that, although the man who came to buy her home resembled him, she could not positively state if he was the same man.

## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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Date 4/30/68

JOHN L. WINTON, 8062 San Mateo Avenue, Buena Park, California, telephone 828-1452, advised that he is a Customer Training Specialist for North American Aviation, Incorporated, 12214 Lakewood Boulevard, Downey, California, telephone 923-8111 Extension 4325, and furnished the following information:

WINTON attended the convention of National Society for Program Instruction at El Tropicano Hotel, San Antonio, Texas, from April 17 - 19, 1968. He said that in his work he meets many people and can note familiar faces. He stayed at the Ramada Inn, 333 Northwest Military Drive, San Antonio, which is located just west of International Airport, in Room 114.

WINTON observed a man alone in a booth in the restaurant of the Ramada Inn just before midnight on Wednesday, April 17, 1968. WINTON said he faced the man who looked familiar. The man was there when WINTON arrived and was still there when WINTON left the restaurant. The man appeared to have been drinking but there was no disturbance.

WINTON again observed this man about 10:00 AM or later on April 19, 1968, in the same restaurant. The man was sitting at the counter and left shortly after WINTON left the restaurant. When leaving, WINTON went towards his room and saw this man across the pool on the balcony of another building of the Ramada Inn. He was judged to be at room No. 264 or those in the 250's or 260's when last observed. WINTON advised he has not seen this man since and cannot specifically recall seeing him previously to these two occasions.

WINTON advised that the man was alone on both occasions; that he was not attending the convention which was held about ten miles away. He described the man as follows:

Name	Unknown
Race	White
Age	38-42

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Height	5'10" or 11"
Weight	150-165
Build	Slender
Eyes	Light eyes, gray or light blue. Something about his eyes did not look normal. Eyes were not "relaxed".
Hair	Brunette or possibly very dark brown, with gray flecks mixed in. Had very receding hair line over the temples. Hair seemed thick and unruly, hanging over his forehead. Hair went straight back on sides. No part recalled.
Clothes	On occasion No. 1, he was casually dressed with dark green or olive windbreaker, dark trousers possibly green, sport shirt with plaid pattern maybe colored brown, yellow and red. Shirt was open at neck. Clothes were clean. No hat worn. On occasion No. 2, wore an angora sweater grayish-blue in color - possibly a pull over. Slacks believed more dressy on this occasion and dark gray as recalled. Shirt not recalled. No hat worn. Cannot recall seeing a tie.
Scars and Marks	None noticed.
Miscellaneous	Was soft-spoken when overheard talking to waitresses. Man not seen with any vehicle.

When WINTON was shown the Wanted Notice pertaining to JAMES EARL RAY, he said the 1960 profile picture resembled the man as the chin, lips, and nose all bore resemblance. He said the 1960 full face picture did not resemble the man at all. The man did not resemble the 1968 picture as the man did not have such a full face and full cheeks but had a more sunken face with high cheekbones. The man had more open eyes than appear on the 1968 photograph and did not have the "smiling eyes" of that photograph. WINTON said however, that on second thought he might even accept the eyes on the 1968 photograph.

## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

1Date 5/2/68

On May 2, 1968, as a result of information obtained from Mr. WILLIAM REYNOLDS, U. S. Credit Bureau, 125 S. Vermont Avenue, Los Angeles, that HAROLD J. THOME had purchased gasoline on his Union Oil credit card on March 8 or 9, 1968 in Van Horn, Texas, for a car bearing California license KDT 654, registered to JAMES E. SIMS, 254 1/8 Coronado #40, Los Angeles, an attempt was made to locate SIMS at this address.

Mr. and Mrs. WALTER KELLS, Managers of the apartments at 254 South Coronado Street, Los Angeles, advised no one named SIMS had resided at this address during the year and a half that they had been managers. They stated, however, that mail had arrived for SIMS on two occasions, but it had been returned to the postman.

On May 2, 1968, source, another governmental agency, advised there was no record at the United States Post Office, 1808 West 7th Street, Los Angeles, that JAMES E. SIMS resided at 254 1/8 Coronado Street, #40, Los Angeles, or that he had submitted a forwarding address.

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Source is Superintendent FRANK J. Mc CLEAN, U. S. Post  
Office, 1808 W. 7th Street, Los Angeles.

## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

1Date 5/1/68

The following investigation was conducted to locate HAROLD JAMES THOME:

On April 30, 1968, I/C MILLARD T. ANDERSON caused a check of the records of the Los Angeles Police Department, however no record identifiable with THOME, subsequent to June 4, 1967, was located.

On April 30, 1968, I/C MERTON R. ANDERSON, Jr. caused a check of the records of the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Office, however no record identifiable with THOME was located.

On April 30, 1968, I/C BERNARD P. BLAIS caused a check of the records of the Retail Merchants Credit Association, however no record concerning THOME subsequent to November, 1967 was located, and there was no pertinent information in the file concerning THOME's whereabouts.

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