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1003PM URGENT 4-24-68 JHH

TO: DIRECTOR MEMPHIS KANSAS CITY CHICAGO SPRINGFIELD AND  
MINNEAPOLIS.

FROM: ST. LOUIS (44-775)

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JUNIOR RAY CONWAY, SHOT BY JAMES DAVID DAILEY NINETEEN  
SIXTYSIX, INTERVIEWED THIS DATE. COOPERATIVE, BUT UNABLE TO  
STATE ANY CONNECTION BETWEEN DAILEY AND SUBJECT.

CHECK OF SUBJECTS FINGERPRINTS AGAINST SLPD UNIDENTIFIED  
LATENTS NEGATIVE. SIMILAR CHECK BY SL COUNTY PD WILL BE  
COMPLETED TOMORROW.

U S PROBATION OFFICE RECORD FOR SUBJECT SHOWS CONDITIONAL  
RELEASE, LEAVENWORTH, APRIL FIFTH FIFTYEIGHT, RESIDENCE BLACKSTONE  
HOTEL, EIGHT ONE SEVEN CHERRY, KCMO; WORKED IN FIRE DEPT.,  
PAINT SHOP AND BAKING TRADE, INTENTION TO CONTACT BAKERY  
UNIONS FOR EMPLOYMENT, AND EVENTUALY TO GET BAKING JOB ON SHIPS  
TO SOUTH AMERICA. WORKED ONE DAY AT COUNTRY CLUB AND FOUR DAYS  
AT BAKERY SLMO. RECORDS BEING CHECKED FOR VERIFICATION AND  
POSSIBLE SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER.

WALTER NOLAN, FORMER MSP NUMBER FIVE SIX TWO NINE EIGHT,  
REQUESTED IDENTITY BE KEPT CONFIDENTIAL, ADVISED HAS KNOWN  
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RAY TEN YEARS AND TO HAVE BEEN HIS CLOSEST ASSOCIATE MSP. SAID RAY WAS LONER, NO ONE REALLY CLOSE TO HIM, WAS IN CELL BY SELF, CONSIDERS ALL EX CONS POTENTIAL STOOL PIGEONS AS HE WAS QUOTE DONE IN END QUOTE BY SAME SEVERAL TIMES IN PRISON. WALKED PRISON YARD WITH HIM DAILY, BUT LEARNED ONLY OF ONE UNNAMED BROTHER IN CHICAGO AND WAS RAISED IN SMALL ILLINOIS TOWN. CLAIMED RAY ESCAPED THIRTY DAYS BEFORE REPORTED AND THAT HE HAD WALKED OUT FRONT DOOR INSTEAD OF IN BREAD BOX. RAY SPENT ALL SPARE MONEY FOR LAW BOOKS SAID IF RAY KILLED KING IT WAS EMOTIONAL THING AND COMPLETELY OUT OF CHARACTER AS RAY INDICATED NO RACIAL PREJUDICE.

SLPD RECORDS INDICATE AT TIME OF KROGER ROBBERY OCTOBER FIFTYNINE, RAY WAS WANTED BY ALTON, ILL., PD FOR ARMED ROBBERY IN WHICH ONE JOSEPH ELMER AUSTIN, WHO WAS IN CUSTODY ALTON WAS IMPLICATED.

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HANNIBAL MO PD CHIEF ADVISED FORMER POLICEMAN ROY WILLIS, WHO PURCHASED CAR FROM RAY FOLLOWING P.O. MONEY ORDER ARREST NINETEEN FIFTYFIVE, RESIGNED AUGUST FIFTYSEVEN. BELIEVED WENT TO MINNEAPOLIS AS INQUIRY RECEIVED FROM BF GOODRICH STORE, ONE THREE ZERO ZERO NORTH COLLET, MINNEAPOLIS, DEC FFFTYSEVEN AS PROSPECTIVE EMPLOYER.

SPRINGFIELD CHECK ALTON PD RE AUSTIN IF NOT ALREADY DONE.

MINNEAPOLIS ATTEMPT LOCATE AND INTERVIEW WILLIS.

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TO DIRECTOR MEMPHIS, BIRMINGHAM, LOS ANGELES, KANSAS  
CITY, SPRINGFIELD AND MIAMI AND JACKSONVILLE..  
FROM ATLANTA (44-2386)

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SUMMARY OF INVESTIGATION, APRIL TWENTYFOUR, SIXTYEIGHT:

NEW AND USED CAR DEALERS IN ATLANTA AND SUBURBAN AREAS  
HAVE BEEN CONTACTED AND SHOWN PHOTOGRAPHS OF RAY. SUCH CHECKS  
CONCLUDED TODAY AND ALL NEGATIVE. PROJECT OF CONTACTING  
INDIVIDUALS ADVERTISING AUTOMOBILES FOR SALE THROUGHT NEWSPAPER  
ADS BETWEEN MARCH TWENTYFOUR AND APRIL FIVE LAST UNDERWAY,  
NEGATIVE TO DATE, CONTINUING.

CAR RENTAL AGENCIES IN ATLANTA AND SUBURBAN AREAS  
CONCLUDED TODAY WITH PHOTOGRAPHS OF RAY EXHIBITED WITH NEGATIVE  
RESULTS.

CONTACTS WITH CREW MEMBERS ON EASTERN AIRLINES FOREIGN  
FLIGHTS THREE TWO ZERO AND THREE TWO EIGHT ON APRIL FIVE LAST  
CONCLUDED EXCEPT FOR ONE STEWARDESS WHO WILL BE INTERVIEWED APRIL  
TWENTYFIVE NEXT. SUCH CHECKS ARE NEGATIVE.

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STORAGE GARAGES, CITY OF ATLANTA, CONTACTED AND RAY'S PHOTOGRAPH EXHIBITED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. ALL OPEN PARKING LOTS VICINITY OF ONE ONE THREE FOURTEENTH STREET HAVE BEEN CONTACTED WITH PHOTOGRAPHS OF RAY SHOWN TO OWNERS AND ATTENDANTS, WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

REMAINING CREW MEMBERS OF EASTERN AIRLINES FLIGHT ONE THREE THREE, APRIL TWELVE LAST INTERVIEWED REGARDING A PASSENGER RESEMBLING RAY WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. THEY CONFIRMED INFORMATION FURNISHED APRIL TWENTYTHREE, SIXTYEIGHT, BY OTHER CREW MEMBERS WHO STATED GILCHRIST WAS IN ERROR BY STATING ONLY ONE PASSENGER DEBARKED AT HOUSTON, TEXAS. THEY STATED NO ONE ON PLANE RESEBLING RAY.

JIMMIE DELTON GARNER, GARNER'S SISTER AND WOMAN LINEN CHANGER AT ONE ONE THREE FOURTEENTH STREET, REINTERVIEWED THIS DATE AND FURNISHED NO ADDITIONAL INFORMATION.

LEWIE RAYMOND DOWDA CONFINED COUNTY JAIL, MARIETTA, GEORGIA, ON ARMED ROBBERY CONVICTION INTERVIEWED. DOWDA WAS ACQUAINTED WITH RAY AT MISSOURI STATE PENITENTIARY FOR THREE  
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YEARS, ENDING SEPTEMBER TWENTYTHREE, SIXTYSIX, WHEN DOWDA  
RELEASED. DOWDA STATED RAY WAS DOPE ADDICT, USING INJECTIONS  
AND WAS ADDICTED PRIOR TO INCARCERATION. RAY USED AMPHETIMINE.  
DOWDA STATED ~~HAROLD SCHAEFER~~, GUARD ON GATE AT THE  
PRISON, WAS FRIENDLY WITH RAY AND BELIEVED BY SOME TO BE SELLING  
THE AMPHETIMINE. DOWDA CLAIMED RAY HAD UNKNOWN OUTSIDE SOURCE OF  
INCOME TO SUPPORT A THIRTYFIVE TO FORTY DOLLAR PER WEEK DOPE HABIT  
AS WELL AS FIFTEEN TO TWENTY DOLLARS PER WEEK OTHER EXPENDITURES.  
DOWDA CLAIMS THREE NEGRO PRISONERS KILLED IN PRISON AFTER  
PROTESTING DENIAL OF BLACK MUSLIMS TO WORSHIP. CLAIMED RAY  
KILLED THE NEGROES OR KNOW WHO DID. DESCRIBED RAY AS RACIST WHO  
FELT ALL NEGROES IN THAT PRISON SHOULD BE KILLED AND SAID RAY  
MADE SEVERAL STATEMENTS TO EFFECT IF PRICE WAS RIGHT WOULD KILL  
MARTIN LUTHER KING. DOWDA STATED RAY'S CLOSEST FRIEND IN PRISON  
WAS NEIL ABBEY (PHONETIC) WHO HANDLED DOPE AND GOT RAY A JOB IN  
THE KITCHEN. DOWDA DOES NOT KNOW NEIL ABBEY'S PRESENT WHEREABOUTS  
BUT ABBEY WAS AT ONE TIME CHIEF COOK AT THE PRISON. ANOTHER  
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CLOSE FRIEND WAS DONALD DEAN RIGGER FROM CALIFORNIA WHOSE WIFE WAS A PSYCHIATRIST AT NAPA STATE HOSPITAL LOCATED ABOVE SAN SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA. DOWDA STATED RAY WOULD ONLY HAVE AN ADDRESS FOR HIM IN CARE OF DOWDA'S FATHER, CHARLES ALFRED DOWDA, FORMELY ROUTE ONE, SANFORD, FLORIDA, BUT PRESENTLY ONE ONE ZERO SOUTH CHANDLER STREET, DELAND, FLORIDA. DOWDA DENIES CONTACT IN ANY MANNER WITH RAY SINCE DOWD'S RELEASE. STATED ANOTHER FORMER INMATE, PAUL ALVIN LAIL, JR., AKA PAUL ALVIN CARTER, THIRTYFOUR BARBODOS DRIVE, PALM SPRINGS, WEST PALM BEACH, FLORIDA, WAS FRIENDLY WITH RAY AND DOWDA SAW LAIL EARLY MARCH, SIXTYEIGHT, BUT NO MENTION MADE OF RAY. DOWDA HAS NO IDEA WHY RAY WOULD GO TO ATLANTA.

MIAMI, CONTACT PAUL ALVIN LAIL, JR., WEST PALM BEACH, FLORIDA, TO DETERMINE IF RAY HAS CONTACTED HIM.

JACKSONVILLE, CONTACT CHARLES ALFRED DOWDA, ONE ONE ZERO SOUTH CHANDLER STREET, DELAND, FLA. TO DETERMINE IF RAY HAS CONTACTED HIM.

KANSAS CITY AT JEFFERSON CITY, MO., INTERVIEW GUARD, HAROLD SCHAEFER, CONCERNING RAY. ALSO DETERMINE PRESENT WHEREABOUTS OF INMATE NEIL ABBEY (PHONETIC) AND DONALD DEAN RIGGER AND  
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SET OUT LEADS FOR THEIR INTERVIEW CONCERNING POSSIBLE CONTACT  
BY RAY.

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TO DIRECTOR (44-38861) AND MEMPHIS (44-1987), ATLANTA  
(44-2386), KANSAS CITY (44-760), DETROIT (44-989),  
NEWARK (44-854), ST. LOUIS (44-     ).  
FROM CHICAGO (44-1114) 3P

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RE CHICAGO TEL TO BUREAU, ET AL, APRIL TWENTY THREE  
LAST AND CHICAGO TEL CALL TO DETROIT, APRIL TWENTY THREE  
LAST. RE: MARJORIE FETTERS.

NEWARK DIVISION TELEPHONICALLY ADVISED THAT INVESTIGATION  
THERE DEVELOPED THAT FETTERS BEGAN CORRESPONDENCE WITH JERRY  
RAY THROUGH LONELY HEARTS CLUB. NEWARK INTERVIEWING TO OBTAIN  
ALL POSSIBLE INFO.

RE: JERRY RAY.

CHICAGO DIVISION WAS CONFIDENTIALLY ADVISED APRIL TWENTY  
THREE LAST THAT JERRY RAY, SUBJECT'S BROTHER, WAS IN RECEIPT  
OF TELEGRAM AT PO BOX TWENTY TWO, WHEELING, ILLINOIS. JERRY  
PICKED UP TELEGRAM PRIOR TO CHICAGO DIVISION BEING ABLE TO  
APPROPRIATELY DISCOVER THE CONTENTS. RECORDS OF WESTERN  
UNION OUTLETS AT DES PLAINES AND EVANSTON, ILLINOIS, WHICH

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WOULD SERVICE WHEELING, ILLINOIS, COMPLETELY REVIEWED FOR THE PAST THREE DAYS WITHOUT LOCATING COPY INSTANT TELEGRAM. MANAGER ADVISES IF TELEGRAM MAILED, ONLY COPY MAINTAINED WOULD BE BY DETROIT TRANSMITTING OFFICE. DETROIT ADVISED ALL RECORDS DESTROYED.

JERRY WILLIAM RAY REINTERVIEWED THIS DATE. MADE AVAILABLE ABOVE TELEGRAM WHICH WAS EFFORT OF "LIFE" MAGAZINE TO CONTACT HIM THROUGH PO BOX. JERRY CONTACTED "LIFE" THIS DATE, CLAIMED FURNISHED ONLY FAMILY INFO. WAS PAID ONE HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS FOR STORY. NOT CERTAIN WHETHER TO BE PUBLISHED THIS WEEK OR NEXT.

ADMITS KNOWING BROTHER JOHN'S LOCATION ST. LOUIS DURING PREVIOUS INTERVIEWS BUT LIED TO PROTECT JOHN'S INVESTMENT IN ILLEGAL PURCHASE OF BAR BY AN EX-CON. STATES HAS BEEN IN CONTACT WITH CAROL AND THAT UNCOOPERATIVE ATTITUDE OF BOTH CAROL AND JOHN AROSE FROM EXTENSIVE INQUIRY OF NEWS MEDIA IN NEIGHBORHOOD AND THAT BOTH WERE AFRAID OF PUBLICITY ADVERSELY AFFECTING THE BUSINESS, CAUSING THEM TO SELL OUT AND MOVE.

STATED ONLY PO BOX USED IS IN WHEELING, ILLINOIS, OTHER MAIL CARE OF SPORTSMEN COUNTRY CLUB. MADE NO MENTION PO BOX  
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NORTHBROOK, ILLINOIS. MATTER NOT PRESSED PENDING OUTCOME  
INVESTIGATION AT NEWARK.

FINANCIAL MATTERS DISCUSSED. CLAIMS THAT ALL MONEY  
EARNED EXPENDED ON UNSUCCESSFUL MARRIAGE, WITH EXCEPTION OF  
PAST SEVERAL MONTHS WHERE HE HAS BEEN SENDING MONEY TO SISTER  
CAROL PEPPER FOR DEPOSIT IN HER ACCOUNT, UNKNOWN BANK. HAS  
RECORD OF AMOUNT SENT, SOME OF WHICH WOULD BE IN EXACT AMOUNT  
OF HIS WEEKLY PAYCHECK, ONE HUNDRED THIRTEEN DOLLARS.

JERRY INTERVIEWED BY SAC AND ASAC, AT WHICH TIME HE  
PROMISED HIS COOPERATION AND NOTIFICATION IN EVENT OF CONTACT  
BY SUBJECT. SAID HE DOUBTED SUBJECT WOULD CONTACT HIM OR  
ANY OTHER MEMBER OF FAMILY. STEADFASTLY MAINTAINED HE NOR  
ANY MEMBER OF FAMILY HAS ANY KNOWLEDGE OF SUBJECT'S WHEREABOUTS,  
SINCE ESCAPING FROM PRISON. CLOSE AND CONTINUOUS CONTACT  
BEING MAINTAINED WITH JERRY RAY AND SISTER SUSAN DOMIAN.

ST. LOUIS WILL, THROUGH LOGICAL SOURCES, ATTEMPT TO  
DETERMINE BANK WHERE SISTER CAROL MAINTAINS SAVINGS ACCOUNT  
AND APPROPRIATELY REVIEW.

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TO DIRECTOR 44-38861 ATTN DOMESTIC INTELLIGENCE AND MEMPHIS  
FROM PHILADELPHIA 44-1368

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TELCALL TO BUREAU FOUR TWENTYFOUR INSTANT.

AT NINE TEN PM, THIS DATE, AN ANONYMOUS INDIVIDUAL CALLED PHILA OFFICE AND A RECORDED VOICE WAS HEARD, WHICH STATED "I'LL CALL BACK IN TWENTY-FOUR HOURS. I WANT FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS TO LET YOU KNOW WHERE ( ) IS IN GUATAMALA." THEN A HORN NOISE AS HEARD IN RADIO STATION BROADCASTS WAS HEARD. THE RECORDING WAS NOT HEARD VERY GOOD AND CALLER WAS SO ADVISED HER MESSAGE WAS NOT BEING HEARD VERY GOOD.

QUESTIONS ASKED WERE NOT ANSWERED AND THE CALLER HUNG UP. THE RECORDED VOICE WAS LOW TONED AND THAT OF A FEMALE.

AT NINE FIFTEEN PM, THIS DATE, A CALL WAS RECEIVED BY ANOTHER INDIVIDUAL OF THE PHILA OFFICE AT WHICH TIME THE VOICE HEARD FROM THE CALLER WAS UNDERSTOOD TO BE RECORDED. THE RECORDED VOICE WAS A FEMALE'S VOICE THAT STATED "I WANT FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS READY AND I'LL CALL BACK WITHIN TWENTY-FOUR HOURS AND TELL YOU WHERE TO  
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DELIVER IT, TO TELL YOU WHERE IN GUATAMALA RAY IS LOCATED."  
QUESTIONS TO THE CALLER CAUSED THE CALLER TO REPLAY PARTS OF THE  
MESSAGE. IT SEEMED THE CALLER WAS HAVING DIFFICULTY IN THE PLAYBACK  
INASMUCH AS QUESTIONS ASKED WERE ANSWERED WITH A PORTION OF  
THE RECORDING THAT DID NOT CORRESPOND. QUESTIONING AT FIRST  
RELATED TO WHAT WAS SAID INASMUCH AS THE RECORDED VOICE WAS NOT CLEAR  
BUT WAS UNDERSTOOD. IN THE CALLER'S EFFORT TO MAKE REPLAYS TO  
QUESTIONS, THE CALLER ANSWERED QUESTIONS IN HER OWN VOICE BY SAYING  
YES OR NO.

THE UNRECORDED VOICE UPON QUESTIONING ADVISED THAT SHE WOULD  
CALL IN TWENTY-FOUR AND GIVE A "SWISS" BANK NUMBER TO DEPOSIT  
THE MONEY TO. SHE STATED UPON QUESTIONING THAT SHE "MAY" TELL  
WHERE RAY IS LOCATED IN GUATAMALA, "THATS THE CHANCE YOU HAVE TO  
TAKE."

THE CALLERS VOICE AND THE RECORDING WERE FROM A FEMALE, BUT  
IT COULDN'T BE DETERMINED IF CALLER AND RECORDED VOICE WERE FROM  
THE SAME FEMALE. THE UNRECORDED VOICE WAS SOFT AND LOW AND GAVE  
THE IMPRESSION OF BEING A CAUCASIAN OF FAIRLY GOOD EDUCATION. NO  
ACCENT AND SEEMED TO BE ABOUT THIRTY-THREE YEARS OF AGE. CALLER  
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SEEMED TO BE GIVING MUFFLED DIRECTIONS TO SOMEONE ELSE ON THE  
OPERATIONS OF THE RECORDER. CALLER HUNG UP.

APPROPRIATE PERSONNEL OF THE PHILA OFFICE ARE BEING ADVISED  
OF THE FUTURE CALL FROM UNKNOWN FEMALE.

ARRANGEMENTS HAVE BEEN MADE WITH TELEPHONE COMPANY TO  
ATTEMPT TO TRACE ANY OTHER CALLS FROM ABOVE INDIVIDUAL.

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TO DIRECTOR (44-38861), ATLANTA (44-2386), BIRMINGHAM (44-1740),  
HOUSTON, MEMPHIS (44-1987), AND NEW ORLEANS  
FROM LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

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RE LOUIS LOMAX / CHARLES STEIN.

PACIFIC TELEPHONE COMPANY, LOS ANGELES, TODAY ADVISED  
IN STRICTEST CONFIDENCE THEY HAD BEEN REQUESTED BY JAMES B. POTTER,  
JR., MEMBER OF CITY COUNCIL, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, TO FURNISH  
SUBSCRIBER TO TELEPHONE NUMBERS THAT LOUIS LOMAX MIGHT SECURE IN  
ATTEMPTING TO TRACE A LONG DISTANCE TELEPHONE CALL THAT THE  
SUBJECT OF THIS CASE MADE SOMEWHERE NEAR HOUSTON, TEXAS, DURING  
THE TRIP SUBJECT MADE WITH STEIN IN MID-DECEMBER SIXTY SEVEN.  
ACCORDING TO THE COMPANY'S INFORMATION, LOMAX WILL ATTEMPT TO  
GET CHARLES STEIN TO ACCOMPANY HIM IN AN ATTEMPT TO LOCATE A  
PHONE BOOTH WHERE SUBJECT ALLEGEDLY MADE CALL DURING THIS TRIP  
TO NEW ORLEANS FROM LOS ANGELES. COMPANY ADVISES THAT POTTER'S  
POLITICAL STATURE PLACES THEM IN AN EMBARRASSING SITUATION,  
BUT THAT IF REQUESTED, THEY MIGHT POSSIBLY GRANT THE REQUEST  
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TO IDENTIFY THE SUBSCRIBER TO ANY CALL THAT MIGHT BE REFERRED TO THEM BY THE COUNCILMAN. THE COMPANY ADVISES, HOWEVER, THAT THEY DESIRE THAT THE FBI RECEIVE THIS INFORMATION MUCH PRIOR TO ANY TIME THAT IT MIGHT BE GIVEN TO LOMAX, IF SUCH A REQUEST IS MADE. SUCH INFORMATION WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE TO THE LOS ANGELES OFFICE IF LOMAX COMES UP WITH ANY TELEPHONE NUMBERS.

FOR INFORMATION, LOMAX TELEPHONICALLY CONTACTED THE LOS ANGELES OFFICE AND ADVISED THAT HE FELT THAT IF FBI AGENTS COULD ACCOMPANY HIM AND CHARLES STEIN IN RETRACING THE TRIP TO NEW ORLEANS, IT IS POSSIBLE THAT PHONE BOOTHS UTILIZED BY SUBJECT COULD BE LOCATED, AND FBI AGENTS COULD TRACE THE CALL AND GIVE THE RESULTS TO LOMAX FOR A NEWS STORY. LOMAX'S OFFER DECLINED.

AS OF EVENING APRIL TWENTY THREE STEIN, WHO HAS BEEN INTERVIEWED BY LOMAX DURING PAST SEVERAL DAYS, HAD NOT HAD AN OFFER OF RETRACING THE TRIP TO NEW ORLEANS. STEIN THE MORNING OF APRIL TWENTY FOUR ADVISES HE HAD A DEAL COOKING WITH LOMAX AND MET WITH LOMAX AT NOON TODAY. STEIN ADVISES AS A RESULT OF THIS MEETING, LOMAX DESIRES HIM TO BEGIN A TRIP TO HOUSTON TONIGHT

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IN ATTEMPT TO LOCATE A PHONE BOOTH WHERE RAY ALLEGEDLY MADE CALL. STEIN HAS ADVISED LOMAX THAT HIS ASKING PRICE FOR MAKING TRIP IS FOUR THOUSAND DOLLARS, AND THEY ARE CURRENTLY NEGOTIATING THE PRICE STEIN WILL EVENTUALLY GET.

STEIN HAS AGAIN BEEN REINTERVIEWED CONCERNING WHAT HE CAN RECALL ABOUT THE TELEPHONE CALLS, AND HE ADVISES THAT TO THE BEST OF HIS RECOLLECTION, THERE WERE ABOUT SIX TELEPHONE CALLS IN ALL DURING THE TRIP, MOST OF WHICH WERE IN THE TEXAS AREA. HE ADVISES THAT HE NOW RECALLS THAT ONE PHONE CALL MIGHT HAVE BEEN COMPLETED AND BASED THIS INFORMATION ON THE FACT THAT HE HAD TO WAIT FOR RAY TO RETURN TO THE CAR FOR QUITE A PERIOD OF TIME. IN THE OTHER INSTANCES WHERE TELEPHONES WERE UTILIZED BY RAY HE WAS GONE SUCH A SHORT PERIOD OF TIME STEIN WAS OF OPINION CALLS WERE NOT COMPLETED. HE WAS TAKEN OVER THE TRIP ONCE AGAIN, AND HE ADVISES HE REALLY CANNOT RECALL THE EXACT PLACE OR DESCRIPTION OF THE PLACE WHERE THE CALL HE FELT WAS COMPLETED HAD BEEN MADE. IT WAS, HOWEVER, JUST WEST OF HOUSTON AT A SERVICE STATION TYPE OF ESTABLISHMENT JUST OFF OF INTERSTATE TEN, AND IT WAS AT NIGHT. TYPE OF GAS STATION UNKNOWN, OTHER

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DESCRIPTIVE DATA FURNISHED BY STEIN IS THAT THE PHONE BOOTH IS ON ACCESS ROAD PARALLELLING THE FREEWAY. HE DECLINED TO COMMENT EXACTLY HOW FAR OUTSIDE HOUSTON THE PHONE BOOTH WAS LOCATED BUT DID INDICATE IT WAS NEAR A LIQUOR STORE AND GAS STATION, AND AT THIS POINT THE FREEWAY IS EIGHT LANES WIDE, AND A FENCE SEPARATED THE FREEWAY FROM THE ACCESS ROAD, AND THAT THE TIME OF THE CALL WAS APPROXIMATELY NINE PM, DECEMBER SIXTEEN, SIXTY SEVEN.

STEIN ALSO RECALLED THAT THE PERSON WHOM SUBJECT WAS TO CONTACT IN NEW ORLEANS WAS A CONTRACTOR OR ENGINEER WHOSE BUSINESS WAS LOCATED NEAR INDUSTRIAL CANAL. ADVISED THAT IN TALKING TO MARIE MARTIN HE LEARNED A BETTER LOCATION WOULD BE THAT THIS INDIVIDUAL MIGHT BE LOCATED NEAR CHEF MENTUAR HIGHWAY AND JACKSON-BARRACKS, NEW ORLEANS.

STEIN ADVISED HE HAS BEEN IN CONTACT WITH LOUIS LOMAX, AND THAT LOMAX HAS OFFERED TO SPLIT THE REWARD OFFERED IN THIS MATTER WITH HIM. HE INDICATED THAT LOMAX AND HE HAVE INTERVIEWED A NUMBER OF PERSONS, AND STEIN DECLINED TO IDENTIFY SUCH PERSONS, ADVISING THAT IF THEIR IDENTITY WAS DESIRED BY THE BUREAU, LOMAX SHOULD BE CONTACTED. STEIN DID ADVISE HE HAS LEARNED FROM LOMAX THAT RAY HAD ALLEGEDLY DATED A WHITE FEMALE

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BLONDE NAMED JERI DURING THE TIME RAY WAS IN LOS ANGELES. THAT JERI IS AN ALIAS, AND SHE HAS ALSO USED OTHER NAMES. STEIN THOUGHT THE NAME QUOTE DARELL UNQUOTE MIGHT HAVE BEEN USED. HE INDICATED THAT JERI COULD POSSIBLY BE AT MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN. ACCORDING TO LOMAX, A FEMALE NAMED HELENA ALSO DATED RAY AT ONE TIME.

STEIN ADVISED FURTHER THAT LOMAX HAD LEARNED THAT RAY MADE A SECOND TRIP TO NEW ORLEANS ABOUT VALENTINE'S DAY, HAVING PICKED UP SOME CLOTHING FROM MARIE MARTIN WHICH BELONGED TO MARIE'S DAUGHTER, WHO LIVES IN NEW ORLEANS. THE DAUGHTER WAS IDENTIFIED BY STEIN AS MARION EISMAN - PHONETIC. STEIN DID NOT KNOW WHETHER OR NOT CLOTHES HAD ACTUALLY BEEN DELIVERED. STEIN ADVISED HE ALSO TOOK PACKAGE OF CLOTHES WITH HIM IN DECEMBER SIXTY SEVEN WHEN HE MADE THE TRIP TO NEW ORLEANS WITH RAY. THESE CLOTHES WERE ALSO FOR MARIE MARTIN'S DAUGHTER MARION.

IT WAS ASCERTAINED FROM MARIE MARTIN THAT AT ABOUT THE TIME SHE TRADED TV SETS WITH RAY, SHE HAD GIVEN HIM A BOX OF RECORDS AND WEARING APPAREL TO BE DELIVERED TO HER DAUGHTER, CARE OF HER MOTHER, LORRAINE CALLAWAY, SIX ZERO NINE BARTHOLOMEW, NEW ORLEANS. SHE ADVISED SHE DID NOT RECALL THIS UNTIL LAST NIGHT WHEN TALKING

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TO STEIN AND LOMAX, AS AT THE TIME SHE GAVE THE CLOTHES TO RAY ABOUT VALENTINE'S DAY, SHE WAS HAVING A DIFFICULT ALCOHOLIC PROBLEM. SHE ADVISED SHE WAS NOT SURE WHETHER OR NOT RAY HAD EVER DELIVERED THE CLOTHES AND TELEPHONICALLY CONTACTED HER MOTHER IN NEW ORLEANS, WHO ADVISED SOME CLOTHING HAD ARRIVED IN THE MOTHER'S ABSENCE, TIME NOT RECALLED, WHICH WERE TAKEN FROM SOMEONE SENT BY MARIE BY HER SISTER, THERESA STONE, WHO WAS AT THE MOTHER'S HOME. MARIE ALSO ADVISED THAT IN TALKING TO STEIN AND LOMAX LAST EVENING, WHEN STEIN MENTIONED THE CONTRACTOR OR ENGINEER WHOSE BUSINESS LOCATED NEAR INDUSTRIAL CANAL, SHE RECALLED HEARING RAY MAKING REFERENCE TO SOMEONE HE KNEW WHO IS LOCATED ON CHEF MENTUAR HIGHWAY AND JACKSON BARRACKS, NEW ORLEANS. SHE HAD NO IDEA AS TO WHOM RAY WAS REFERRING AND COULD NOT RECALL AT THIS TIME IN WHAT CONTEXT SHE HEARD THE REFERENCE MADE.

CONCERNING A GIRL FRIEND OF RAY NAMED JERI, OR VARIATIONS THEREOF, SHE ADVISED SHE KNEW NO ONE BY THAT NAME. HOWEVER SHE DID ON ONE OCCASION AT THE SULTAN ROOM MEET A GIRL NAMED DARELL - PHONETIC - EXACT DATE NOT RECALLED, WHOM SHE DESCRIBED AS WHITE, FEMALE, FIVE TWO, AGE TWENTY FIVE, ONE TEN TO TWENTY,  
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BLONDE HAIR, BLUE EYES, WELL BUILT. SHE ADVISED SHE HAD NEVER SEEN DARELL WITH RAY. SHE ADVISED RAY HAD ONCE DATED A GIRL NAMED HELEN AND RECALLS OVERHEARING THEM SAY THEY WERE GOING QUOTE CHA CHA UNQUOTE DANCING. TO HER KNOWLEDGE, RAY DATED HELEN ONLY ONCE, BUT SHE CANNOT RECALL THE DATE. SHE DESCRIBES HELEN AS WHITE, FEMALE, DARK BROWN HAIR, AGE TWENTY FIVE, HEAVY BUILD, WHO COMES IN THE SULTAN ROOM ON WEEKENDS AND MIGHT HAVE BEEN AT THE SULTAN ROOM APRIL THIRTEEN OR FOURTEEN. ACCORDING TO MARIE, HELEN INDICATED TO HER SHE IS A STUNT RIDER ON HORSES.

MARIE MARTIN IS BEING REINTERVIEWED IN DEPTH FOR ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION THAT WILL POSSIBLY BE OF ASSISTANCE IN THIS MATTER. IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT SHE APPARENTLY IS INDULGING IN SOME NARCOTIC TYPE OF HABIT, AS WELL AS INDULGING IN ALCOHOL.

INQUIRIES AT THE VEGAS CLUB LOCATED NEAR THE ST. FRANCIS HOTEL INDICATE THAT ONE HELENA OCCASIONALLY COMES INTO THE VEGAS CLUB WHO IS A QUOTE BELLY DANCER UNQUOTE AT A BAR LOCATED ON SUNSET BOULEVARD. EFFORTS TO LOCATE THIS HELENA AS POSSIBLE INDIVIDUAL WHO DATED RAY ARE UNDERWAY.

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LOMAX, IN A STORY PUBLISHED AT NEW ORLEANS AND LOS ANGELES, INDICATED HE HAD LOCATED A MYSTERIOUS BLONDE NAMED JERI WHO WAS BEING SOUGHT BY THE FBI AND WHO WAS AN ASSOCIATE OF RAY WHILE HE WAS IN LOS ANGELES. HE INDICATED IN THE STORY THAT SHE WAS A HABITUE OF THE SULTAN ROOM AND RABBIT'S FOOT BAR ALONG HOLLYWOOD BOULEVARD. PERSONNEL OF THE RABBIT'S FOOT BAR ADVISED JERI ENTIRELY UNKNOWN TO THEM, AND THAT LOMAX WAS IN BAR EVENING APRIL TWENTY THREE ATTEMPTING TO FIND SOMEONE WHO KNEW SOMETHING ABOUT GIRL NAMED JERI. THEY ADVISED HE WAS APPARENTLY UNSUCCESSFUL. PERSONNEL OF SULTAN ROOM CLAIM NO ONE NAMED JERI IS KNOWN TO THEM, BUT THAT THEY HAVE HEARD LOMAX MAKING INQUIRIES CONCERNING GIRL OF THAT NAME. IT WAS INDICATED LOMAX HAS MADE THE SULTAN ROOM SORT OF HEADQUARTERS FOR HIS INQUIRIES CONCERNING KING MURDER AND HAS BECOME A NUISANCE. THEY WERE UNAWARE OF ANY PRODUCTIVE RESULTS ON THE PART OF LOMAX AS FAR AS A FEMALE NAMED JERI WAS CONCERNED.

SALLY CARR, PCI, LOS ANGELES, ADVISED THAT ON APRIL TWENTY TWO LAST SHE WAS AT SULTAN ROOM AND OBSERVED LOUIS LOMAX TALKING WITH SEVERAL PEOPLE, INCLUDING CHARLES STEIN. INFORMANT ADVISES SHE RECALLS LOMAX TALKING OF A MARIA, A RITA AND A JERI. THE

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INFORMANT HAS BEEN SENT BACK ON THE EVENING OF APRIL TWENTY FOUR INSTANT TO ASCERTAIN ALL INFORMATION POSSIBLE IN SULTAN ROOM CONCERNING ANY JERI.

MARIE MARTIN AND RITA STEIN ARE BEING REINTERVIEWED AT LENGTH TO DETERMINE ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION THEY MAY HAVE. MARIE MARTIN AT PRESENT TIME IS AWAITING ARRIVAL OF PHYSICIAN BECAUSE SHE ADVISES SHE IS NOT WELL.

IT WOULD SEEM THAT STEIN, IN VIEW OF LOMAX'S OFFER TO SPLIT THE REWARD WITH HIM, HAS BECOME INVOLVED IN ATTEMPTING TO INVESTIGATE THE CASE BY HIMSELF. THE PROVISIONS CONCERNING OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE WILL BE POINTED OUT TO STEIN SHOULD HE ATTEMPT TO CONCEAL ANY DATA THAT MIGHT COME TO HIS ATTENTION CONCERNING THIS MATTER.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION ON LOMAX INDICATES HE WAS BORN LOUIS EMANUEL LOMAX, VALDOSTA, GEORGIA, AUGUST SIXTEEN, TWENTY TWO, AND HAS BEEN A HIGHLY CONTROVERSIAL NEGRO TV PERSONALITY IN LOS ANGELES AREA. HE IS AUTHOR OF A BOOK ENTITLED QUOTE THE NEGRO REVOLT UNQUOTE. ACCORDING TO LOCAL NEWS MEDIA, HE IS CURRENTLY WRITING SCRIPT FOR MOVIE TO BE BASED ON LIFE OF FORMER MALCOLM X. HE FORMERLY HAD INDIVIDUAL TV SHOW ON

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CHANNEL ELEVEN IN THIS AREA WHICH WAS DROPPED BY THE STATION  
APPROXIMATELY ONE MONTH AGO.

LOS ANGELES CONTEMPLATES NO CONTACTS WITH LOMAX AT  
THIS TIME.

NEW ORLEANS HAS BEEN REQUESTED TELEPHONICALLY TO CONTACT  
MARIE MARTIN'S MOTHER SO TIME OF THIS POSSIBLE SECOND TRIP CAN  
BE PINNED DOWN.

HOUSTON THROUGH CONTACTS AT PHONE COMPANY SHOULD ENDEAVOR  
TO HAVE TOLLS ON ALL POSSIBLE PHONE BOOTHS IN AREA DESCRIBED  
BY STEIN OBTAINED FOR PERIOD OF TWELVE SIXTEEN SIXTY SEVEN AT  
ABOUT NINE PM.

INVESTIGATION CONTINUING.

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TELETYPE

URGENT

TO DIRECTOR  
FROM SAC, BOSTON (157-644) (P)

MURKIN, CR, OO MEMPHIS.

RE DENVER TEL APRIL NINETEEN LAST.

FOR INFORMATION BUREAU RETEL SET FORTH THAT MANAGER, ANTLER PLAZA HOTEL, COLORADO SPRINGS, COLORADO, ADVISED INDIVIDUAL USING NAME JOSEPH A. MURPHY AND FURNISHING ADDRESS OF FOUR SEVEN SAMOSET, BOSTON, REGISTERED ANTLER PLAZA HOTEL TEN THIRTY A.M., APRIL FIFTEEN LAST AND APPEARED SIMILAR TO PHOTOGRAPH OF ERIC STARVO GALT.

HENRY P. MURPHY, FOUR SEVEN SAMOSET ST., DORCHESTER, MASS., ADVISED INSTANT DATE HIS SON, JOSEPH ANTHONY MURPHY, AGE TWENTYSEVEN, SAME ADDRESS, DEPARTED BOSTON, MASS., ON OR ABOUT APRIL FOURTEEN LAST, PRESUMABLY VIA BUS ON VACATION TRIP TO COLORADO. SUBSEQUENTLY CORRESPONDENCE FROM SON

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INDICATED JOSEPH MURPHY'S TOUR INCLUDED COLORADO SPRINGS, COLORADO. MURPHY EXPECTED TO RETURN HOME APRIL TWENTYONE NEXT. MURPHY IDENTIFIED SON AS TEACHER - COACH, BOSTON TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL, BOSTON, MASS. MURPHY ASSERTED HIS SON'S FACIAL FEATURES IN NO WAY RESEMBLE CIRCULATED PHOTOGRAPH OF ERIC STARVO GALT.

BOSTON TERMINATING INQUIRY RE JOSEPH ANTHONY MURPHY.

CC BY MAIL DENVER AND MEMPHIS.



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URGENT

TO DIRECTOR, CHARLOTTE AND INDIANAPOLIS  
FROM BIRMINGHAM (44-1740) (P)

MURKIN.

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BIRMINGHAM IN CONSIDERING OBTAINING STATEWIDE CIRCULATION OF PHOTOGRAPH AND PRESS RELEASE TO BARBER SHOPS LOCATED IN THE STATE OF ALABAMA, ON THIS DATE CONTACTED WILLIAM R. SMITH, SECRETARY, LOCAL EIGHTYTHREE, JOURNEYMAN BARBERS, HAIRDRESSERS, COSMETOLOGISTS AND PROPRIETORS INTERNATIONAL UNION OF AMERICA, BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA, WHO ADVISED THAT NO LOCAL IN ALABAMA DISTRIBUTES ANY PUBLICATIONS TO BARBERS OR BARBER SHOPS IN THE STATE OF ALABAMA. HE ADVISED THAT THE INTERNATIONAL UNION LOCATED ONE ONE FOUR ONE NORTH DELAWARE STREET, INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA, PUBLISHES MONTHLY THE JOURNEYMAN BARBER, WHICH IS DISTRIBUTED TO EVERY MEMBER OF THE INTERNATIONAL WITHIN THE UNITED STATES. SMITH FURTHER STATED THAT THE ASSOCIATED MASTER BARBERS AND BEAUTICIANS OF AMERICA, NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS, TWO ONE NINE GREENWICH ROAD, CHARLOTTE, N. C., PUBLISHES MONTHLY THE MASTER BARBER AND BEAUTICIAN MAGAZINE WHICH IS DISTRIBUTED TO EVERY BARBER

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SHOP OWNER WITHIN THE UNITED STATES.

IT IS SUGGESTED THAT THE BUREAU GIVE CONSIDERATION TO HAVING A PHOTOGRAPH AND ARTICLE ON JAMES EARL RAY PUBLISHED IN THE ABOVE MAGAZINES, AND SUCH ARTICLE SHOULD BE OF A CONDENSED VERSION OF PRESS RELEASE ISSUED BY BUREAU ON RAY.

IF BUREAU APPROVES SUCH PUBLICATION, INDIANAPOLIS SHOULD CONTACT JOSEPH N. DE PAOLA, MANAGING EDITOR OF JOURNEYMAN BARBER, INTERNATIONAL UNION OF AMERICA, INDIANAPOLIS; AND CHARLOTTE SHOULD CONTACT THOMAS H. BROUGHTON, EDITOR OF THE MASTER BARBER AND BEAUTICIAN MAGAZINE AT NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS OF THE ASSOCIATION, CHARLOTTE, N. C.

MEMPHIS ADVISED BY AIRMAIL.

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TO: DIRECTOR.  
FROM: BOSTON (157-644)

MURKIN. CR. OO: MEMPHIS.

RE DENVER TEL APRIL NINETEEN LAST.

JOSEPH ANTHONY MURPHY, FOUR SEVEN SAMOSET, BOSTON,  
MASS., INTERVIEWED THIS DATE. MURPHY BORN [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] BOSTON, AND IS TEACHER AND HEAD  
BASKETBALL COACH AT BOSTON TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL. MURPHY  
AT SCHOOL ON APRIL FOUR LAST. ATTENDANCE THEREAT SUPPORTED  
BY RECORDS. MURPHY IN COLORADO ON VACATION AS STATED BY  
FATHER.

MURPHY DOES NOT RESEMBLE PHOTOGRAPHS OF ERIC STARVO  
GALT.

BOSTON TERMINATING INQUIRIES RE MURPHY.

CC BY MAIL DENVER AND MEMPHIS.

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TO : BIRMINGHAM AND JACKSONVILLE  
FROM: MOBILE (157-2627)

MURKIN.

*RE: Suspect Tallahassee Fla driving Red GMC  
TRUCK; MARY ALICE HICKEY - informant*  
RE JACKSONVILLE TELETYPE TODAY.

RECORDS ALABAMA MVD, MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA, REFLECT  
SIXTY EIGHT LICENSE <sup>CONE</sup> SEVEN TWO DASH ONE TWO THREE NINE SEVEN  
ISSUED DECEMBER ELEVENTH LAST TO ELLEN HULL, LANGDALE,  
ALABAMA, FOR A SIXTY FOUR PONTIAC TWO-DOOR, VIN EIGHT TWO FOUR  
P ONE EIGHT EIGHT THREE TWO FIVE. NO REPLACEMENT TAG HAS  
BEEN ISSUED FOR THIS VEHICLE. NO STOLEN REPORT THIS LICENSE,  
AST, MONTGOMERY.

NO FURTHER INVESTIGATION BEING CONDUCTED RE THIS REGISTRATION  
UAC.

MEMPHIS ADVISED AM. P.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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TO MOBILE

FROM TAMPA (157-3231)

MURKIN; CR. OO:ME.

RE MOBILE TELETYPE TO JACKSONVILLE FOUR TWENTY TWO LAST AND  
JACKSONVILLE TELETYPE TO TAMPA FOUR TWENTY THREE LAST.

JACKSONVILLE ADVISED NINETEEN SIXTY-EIGHT FLA. LICENSE THREE  
W - SIX TWO THREE THREE ZERO REGISTERED TO ROBERT D. WEIR, FIVE  
ONE ZERO FIVE AND ONE-HALF SUWANEE, TAMPA ON A NINETEEN SIXTYEIGHT  
CHEVROLET.

ROBERT D. WEIR IDENTICAL TO ROBERT DONALD WEIR, TPD NUMBER  
ONE THREE FOUR ONE ONE TWO, FBI NUMBER SEVEN NINE ONE EIGHT SIX TWO  
F. WEIR DESCRIBED W/M, DOB [REDACTED] NEWNAN,  
GA., FIVE FT. SIX IN., ONE FIVE FOUR LBS., BROWN EYES, BLACK HAIR.  
PHOTO OF WEIR REFLECTS SOME SIMILARITIES TO RAY, BUT NOT IDENTICAL.

NEIGHBOR ADVISED WEIR NOT IDENTICAL TO PHOTO JAMES EARL RAY.

WEIR'S WIFE ADVISED WEIR DRIVING NINETEEN SIXTYEIGHT TAN  
CHRVROLET CONVERTIBLE AND VISITING NEICE, NAME UNKNOWN, NEAR  
MONTGOMERY, ALA. WEIR RESIDENT OF TAMPA SINCE TEN SIXTY-FIVE AND  
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BRACE LEFT LEG FROM ACCIDENT ELEVEN SIXTY-FIVE. WIFE WILL BE IN CONTACT WITH WEIR EVENING FOUR TWENTY-THREE AND WILL REQUEST HE CONTACT MONTGOMERY RA FOUR TWENTY-FOUR.

MOBILE ADVISE TAMPA IF WEIR NOT IN CONTACT IN ORDER THAT WEIR MAY BE INTERVIEWED UPON RETURN TO TAMPA TO VERIFY OCCUPANT OF VEHICLE MONTGOMERY FOUR TWENTY-TWO LAST.

JACKSONVILLE AND MEMPHIS ADVISED AIRMAIL.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

END



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TELETYPE

*urgent*

TO: SAC, CLEVELAND  
FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (44-1609)

MURKIN

RE: UNIDENTIFIED INDIVIDUAL OBSERVED IN TUCKAHOE, NEW YORK  
THREE INDIVIDUALS OBSERVED AN UNKNOWN MALE IN A RESTAURANT  
IN TUCKAHOE, NY ON APRIL TWENTY TWO LAST. THEY BELIEVE THE  
INDIVIDUAL RESEMBLES JAMES EARL RAY AND REPORTED SAME TO  
TUCKAHOE PD. THE INDIVIDUAL WAS DRIVING A NINETEEN SIXTY SIX  
BLUE FOUR DOOR CHEVROLET WITH NY LICENSE NINE TWO FIVE FIVE ✓  
B U.

INVESTIGATION HAS DISCLOSED THAT THIS VEHICLE IS REGISTERED  
TO LEASE PLAN CORP., GREAT NECK, LI, NY. INVESTIGATION FURTHER  
DISCLOSED THIS VEHICLE IS LEASED TO ADDRESSOGRAPH MULTIGRAPH  
CORP., TWELVE HUNDRED BABITT ROAD, CLEVELAND, OHIO, AND THAT  
ONLY THIS CORPORATION WOULD HAVE KNOWLEDGE OF THE OPERATOR  
OF THE VEHICLE.

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CLEVELAND, AT CLEVELAND, OHIO, CONTACT WILLIAM WALTERS, ADDRESSOGRAPH MULTIGRAPH CORP. AND DETERMINE WHO IS OPERATING UNIT AM ONE ONE ONE FIVE, WHICH IS REPORTED TO BE THE VEHICLE BEARING NY LICENSE NINE TWO FIVE FIVE B U. THEREAFTER, SET FORTH APPROPRIATE LEAD TO HAVE INDIVIDUAL INTERVIEWED AND ELIMINATED.

MEMPHIS ADVISED BY AIR MAIL.

RAY SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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Via TELETYPE URGENT  
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TO: DIRECTOR, DALLAS  
FROM: JACKSON (157-9586)

MURKIN.

RE DALLAS TELETYPE TO BUREAU, APRIL TWENTY THREE, LAST  
REGARDING INFORMATION RECEIVED FROM MYRTIS RUTH HENDRICKS,  
AKA "JITTERBUG", EIGHT SEVEN THREE MESQUIT STREET, ABILENE,  
TEXAS.

DEAVOURS NIX, (BUFILE ONE FIVE SEVEN DASH FOUR FOUR ONE SIX  
AND JACKSON FILE ONE FIVE SEVEN DASH THREE FOUR EIGHT FOUR) IS  
IDENTICAL WITH DEVILISH NICK MENTIONED IN RE TEL. NIX IS  
PROPRIETOR OF JOHN'S CAFE AND DRIVE-IN RESTAURANT, ONE ONE SIX  
TERESA STREET, LAUREL, MISSISSIPPI. HE IS THE FORMER STATE  
INVESTIGATOR (KBI) OF THE WHITE KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN  
OF MISS. (WKKKKOM), BUT IS REPORTED TO HAVE RECENTLY RESIGNED  
THAT POSITION.

NIX IS PRESENTLY UNDER FEDERAL INDICTMENT ALONG WITH

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FIFTEEN OTHER KLAN MEMBERS IN CONNECTION WITH THE FIRE-BOMB SLAYING OF VERNON FERDINAND DAHMER, SR., NEGRO MALE, NEAR HATTIESBURG, MISS., ON JANUARY TEN, SIXTY SIX. HE HAS ALSO BEEN INDICTED BY STATE COURT, HATTIESBURG, MISS., CHARGED WITH ARSON IN CONNECTION WITH THE ABOVE ACTIVITY. NIX AND FOUR OTHERS ARE UNDER INDICTMENT, PASCAGOULA, MISSISSIPPI, CHARGED WITH KIDNAPPING, ASSAULT AND BATTERY, IN CONNECTION WITH THE KIDNAPPING AND BEATING OF JACK WATKINS, WHITE MALE, OF PASCAGOULA. NIX AND THE OTHERS ATTEMPTED TO GET A CONFESSION FROM WATKINS STATING THAT HE KIDNAPPED LAWRENCE BYRD, ONE OF THE DEFENDANTS IN THE DAHMER CASE AND BEAT A CONFESSION OUT OF HIM ABOUT THE SUBJECTS IN THE DAHMER CASE.

ON APRIL FIVE, SIXTY EIGHT, JN THREE FOUR ZERO DASH R (PROB), NIGHT MANAGER AND WAITRESS AT JOHN'S CAFE, REPORTED SEEING NIX AROUND FIVE PM, APRIL FOUR, SIXTY EIGHT, AND SAM

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BOWERS, IMPERIAL WIZARD, WKKKKOM, BETWEEN SEVEN THIRTY AND EIGHT PM SAME NIGHT. SOURCE HAS PREVIOUSLY REPORTED CONTACTS OF VARIOUS INDIVIDUALS WITH NIX AND BOWERS IN JOHN'S CAFE.

SOURCE RECONTACTED THIS AM AND ADVISED TWO WHITE MALES AT JOHN'S RESTAURANT NIGHT OF APRIL THREE, LAST. SOURCE VIEWED VARIOUS PHOTOGRAPHS AND IDENTIFIED ONE INDIVIDUAL AS L. E. MATTHEWS, JACKSON FILE ONE FIVE SEVEN DASH FOUR ZERO NINE SIX AND BUFILE ONE FIVE SEVEN DASH FIVE EIGHT ZERO FOUR, WHO HAS BEEN IN RESTAURANT ON PREVIOUS OCCASIONS.

SECOND INDIVIDUAL, DESCRIBED AS WHITE MALE, STOCKY BUILD, THIRTY FIVE TO FORTY YEARS OLD, FIVE FEET NINE INCHES TO FIVE FEET ELEVEN INCHES, WEARING GRAY WORK CLOTHES, NOT KNOWN TO SOURCE. MEETING HELD IN OFFICE OF JOHN'S RESTAURANT BETWEEN MATTHEWS, NIX, SAM BOWERS, AND UNKNOWN INDIVIDUAL. SOURCE ADVISED NO PACKAGE BROUGHT IN OR OUT OF CAFE. NO WEAPONS

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OBSERVED. NO WAITRESSES WORKING THAT NIGHT OBSERVED WITH THIS GROUP. SOURCE STATES UNKNOWN INDIVIDUAL NOT IDENTICAL WITH PHOTOGRAPHS OF JAMES EARL ~~LEE~~<sup>RAY</sup>. SOURCE ADVISED NEGRO COOK NAMED "MYRTIS" PREVIOUS EMPLOYEE BUT NOT WELL KNOWN TO SOURCE.

ON APRIL FOUR, LAST, JN THREE THREE SEVEN DASH R (PROB) WHO FREQUENTS JOHN'S CAFE REPORTED SEEING NIX AND BOWERS AT JOHN'S CAFE DURING LATE AFTERNOON PRIOR TO THE SLAYING OF KING.

INDIVIDUAL REFERRED TO BY THOMAS MC GEE BELIEVED TO BE TRUMAN WEBBER ROGERS, A FORMER MEMBER OF THE WKKKKOM, JONES COUNTY, MISS., AND WHO FREQUENTED JOHN'S RESTAURANT, ROGERS RECENTLY TESTIFIED AT STATE COURT, HATTIESBURG, DURING THE TRIAL OF CECIL SESSUM WHO IS CHARGED WITH MURDER IN CONNECTION WITH THE DAHMER CASE. SESSUM FOUND GUILTY AND SENTENCED TO LIFE IMPRISONMENT. CASE ON APPEAL. ~~RECU~~

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DALLAS SHOULD RECONTACT MYRTIS RUTH HENDRICKS TO CLARIFY DISCREPANCY IN RE TEL. HENDRICKS STATED THAT ON DAY AFTER SHE STARTED TO WORK FOR DEAVOURS NIX, HE HAD SEXUAL RELATIONS WITH HER. SHE STATED NIX THEN STARTED HER WORKING AT A PLACE HE HAD OUTSIDE OF TOWN. HENDRICKS THEN STATED ON APRIL TWO, LAST, SHE OVERHEARD NIX SAY "I GOT A CALL ON THE KING." CLARIFY SECOND PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT. ALSO LOCATION AT TIME SHE HEARD NIX MAKE THIS STATEMENT AND WHO ELSE PRESENT. IT APPEARS HENDRICKS STATED SHE WAS WORKING OUTSIDE OF TOWN BUT YET HEARD THE STATEMENT ON APRIL TWO AND FOUR, LAST, AT JOHN'S CAFE.

AIRMAIL COPY TO MEMPHIS.

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STATES-ITEM

NEW ORLEANS, LA.

Date: 4-24-68

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Author:

Editor:

Title: MURKIN; ERIC  
STARVO GALT, JAMES  
EARL RAY

Character: RM

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Classification: 157-

Submitting Office: N.O., LA.

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Hester Galt

# Hollywood Blonde Located

By LOUIS LOMAX

**BEVERLY HILLS (NANA)** — In a startling new development, the hunt for the person or persons responsible for the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. now focuses on a mysterious Hollywood blonde and a New Orleans industrialist.

The FBI let it be known Monday that they were in search of the Hollywood blonde but could not locate her. The report was that she has "disappeared."

This reporter located the blonde in question late yesterday afternoon. She is in her mid twenties as reported and,

## EXCLUSIVE STORY

(Louis Lomax is a regular reporter on Negro affairs for North American Newspaper Alliance. The news syndicate says he has established contact with the underworld and has been able to elicit facts in the King assassination case not known to others.)

as suspected, was a close confidante of James Earl Ray, then known as Eric Starvo Galt and the suspected killer of Dr. King.

INVESTIGATION by this reporter revealed that the young woman ~~was~~ a habitue of the Sultan Room and the Rabbit's Foot, bars along a sleazy section of Hollywood Blvd. She used several names but was known as "Jerri."

She spent several nights, perhaps weeks, with Ray (Galt) and on the day Ray left Los Angeles on the trip that led him to Memphis he purchased "Jerri" an airplane ticket to a Midwestern city where she is now visiting with her parents. There is some evidence that Ray arranged to visit with the girl and her parents in the Midwestern city "after I take care of some business in the South." This was the way Ray explained his mission to the girl in question. The FBI's search for the girl still continues and there is no indication that the agency is aware of the girl's whereabouts.

"JERRI" IS important to the investigation because of her close relationship to Ray while he was in Los Angeles.

Ray (Galt) kept this quiet and, on the whole, remained to himself. However, "Jerri" was in his apartment on several protracted occasions and the conviction is that she may well have information about the various contacts Ray was known to have made in the South, particularly in New Orleans.

As important as "Jerri" is to the stalled investigation, she is overshadowed by additional information uncovered by this reporter about Ray's New Orleans contacts. These are the facts that can now be published:

—On Dec. 16, 1967, Ray was in telephone contact with a major New Orleans industrialist, a man who is considered the economic and political "killer" of the community.

—On Dec. 17, 1967, Ray met in person with this New Orleans industrialist. On the day of the meeting, Ray was registered in a motel in New Orleans. The contact between Ray and the industrialist was made from this motel and the meeting with held in "downtown" New Orleans.

Investigators are attempting to zero in on the "industrialist" in the light of a disclosure from an inmate out of Missouri Prison, where Ray once served time and where Ray expressed interest in an offer of \$100,000 put up by "Southern businessmen" for anyone who would kill Dr. King. This reporter has also been able to establish a timetable for Ray that leads up to a few days to Dr. King's assassination:

—On Valentine's Day, Ray, who was then living in Room 408 of the St. Francis Hotel along Hollywood Blvd., visited another girl friend — not the blonde — and offered his console TV set for her portable. The girl accepted the swap. Ray loaded her portable



set in his car and told the girl he was leaving town.

Although they are tight-lipped about it, the FBI has found the portable TV set, probably in a Birmingham, Ala., roominghouse.

—Ray was seen on this same day in the parking lot of the Los Angeles Sears, Roebuck store on Pico Blvd.

—Three days later, Ray called upon a New Orleans family and delivered to them a package sent by their daughter in Los Angeles. The already published record shows that Ray then drove into Alabama, finally, into Memphis.

The FBI is having major difficulty tracing both the elusive blonde and the New Orleans industrialist because the trail leads through denizens of the underworld and semi-underworld who flatly refused to cooperate with law enforcement officials. The name of the New Orleans industrialist is not known.

However, this reporter is aware of how the telephone contact between the industrialist and Ray was established. A search is now on to locate records which will reveal both the industrialist's name and telephone number.

Other information developed by this reporter indicated that "Jerri" spoke with a foreign accent and is probably from one of the Scandinavian countries.

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TO: DIRECTOR (44-38861)  
FROM: SAC, NEW ORLEANS (157-10673)  
MURKIN

RE NEW ORLEANS TELCALLS TO THE BUREAU AND LOS ANGELES INSTANT DATE AND ARTICLE WHICH APPEARED IN NEW ORLEANS STATES-ITEM "RED COMET" EDITION, INSTANT DATE UNDER BYLINE OF LOUIS LOMAX WITH DATE LINE BEVERLY HILLS (MANA).

THIS ARTICLE STATED THAT THE HUNT FOR THE PERSON OR PERSONS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE ASSASSINATION OF DR. KING NOW FOCUSES ON A "MYSTERIOUS HOLLYWOOD BLONDE AND A NEW ORLEANS INDUSTRIALIST." THE ARTICLE STATES THAT THE FBI LET IT BE KNOWN ON MONDAY "THAT THEY WERE IN SEARCH OF THE HOLLYWOOD BLONDE BUT COULD NOT LOCATE HER. THE REPORT WAS THAT SHE HAS DISAPPEARED."

THE ARTICLE STATES THAT LOMAX ~~INTERVIEWED~~ THE BLONDE IN QUESTION LATE YESTERDAY AFTERNOON AND THAT SHE IS IN HER MID-TWENTIES AND AS SUSPECTED WAS A CLOSE CONFIDANT OF RAY.

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FURTHER THAT THE BLONDE WAS A HABITUE OF THE SULTAN ROOM IN THE RABBIT'S FOOT BARS ALONG A SLEAZY SECTION OF HOLLYWOOD BLVD. THIS BLONDE USES SEVERAL NAMES ACCORDING TO LOMAX, BUT WAS KNOWN AS "JERRI."

THE ARTICLE ALLEGES THAT JERRI SPENT SEVERAL NIGHTS, PERHAPS WEEKS, WITH RAY AND THAT ON THE DAY RAY LEFT LOS ANGELES ON THE TRIP THAT LED HIM TO MEMPHIS, HE PURCHASED JERRI AN AIRPLANE TICKET TO A MID-WESTERN CITY WHERE SHE IS NOW VISITING WITH HER PARENTS.

LOMAX FURTHER ALLEGES IN THE ARTICLE THAT ON DECEMBER SIXTEEN, LAST, RAY WAS IN TELEPHONIC CONTACT WITH A MAJOR NEW ORLEANS INDUSTRIALIST, A MAN WHO IS CONSIDERED THE ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL "KILLER" OF THE COMMUNITY. FURTHER, THAT ON DECEMBER SEVENTEEN, LAST, RAY MET IN PERSON WITH THIS INDUSTRIALIST AND ON THE DAY OF THIS MEETING RAY WAS REGISTERED IN A MOTEL IN NEW ORLEANS. THE MEETING IS ALLEGED TO HAVE TAKEN PLACE IN "DOWNTOWN" NEW ORLEANS.

LATER, THE ARTICLE ALLEGES THAT THE FBI IS HAVING

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MAJOR DIFFICULTY TRACING THE BLONDE AND THE INDUSTRIALIST BECAUSE THE TRAIL LEADS THROUGH DENIZENS OF THE UNDERWORLD AND SEMI-UNDERWORLD WHO REFUSED TO COOPERATE WITH LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS; THAT THE NAME OF THE NEW ORLEANS INDUSTRIALIST IS NOT KNOWN.

LONAX CLAIMS THAT HE IS AWARE OF HOW THE TELEPHONE CONTACT BETWEEN THE INDUSTRIALIST AND RAY WAS ESTABLISHED AND THAT A SEARCH IS NOW ON TO LOCATE RECORDS WHICH WILL REVEAL BOTH THE INDUSTRIALIST'S NAME AND TELEPHONE NUMBER.

*ACCENT* LONAX DESCRIBED JERRI AS SPEAKING WITH A FOREIGN ACCENT AND IS PROBABLY FROM ONE OF THE SCANDINAVIAN COUNTRIES.

IN CONNECTION WITH INFORMATION APPEARING IN THIS ARTICLE, PRIOR INVESTIGATION BY NEW ORLEANS AT PROVINCIAL MOTEL, NEW ORLEANS, ESTABLISHED THAT JAMES EARL RAY REGISTERED AS ERIC S. GALT IN PROVINCIAL *MOTEL* ON DECEMBER SEVENTEEN, SIXTYSEVEN AND CHECKED OUT ON DECEMBER NINETEEN, SIXTYSEVEN. INVESTIGATION FURTHER ESTABLISHED NO PERTINENT



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LONG DISTANCE CALLS MADE FROM PAY TELEPHONE LOCATED NEAR  
MOTEL SWIMMING POOL AND NO RECORDS OF ANY LONG DISTANCE CALLS  
MADE BY GALT. RECORDS OF LOCAL CALLS WERE KEPT BY MOTEL,  
BUT HAVE BEEN DESTROYED FOR DECEMBER, SIXTYSEVEN.

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CONTACT WITH ENGINEERING AND CONSTRUCTION CONCERNS,  
CHALMETTE, LA., AREA WERE CHECKED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS AS TO  
KNOWLEDGE OF RAY, THEN KNOWN AS GALT, AS A RESULT OF RAY'S  
MENTION TO CHARLES STEIN WHILE EN ROUTE FROM LOS ANGELES TO NEW  
ORLEANS THAT HE WOULD CONTACT A COUPLE OF INDIVIDUALS CONNECTED  
WITH ENGINEERING OR <sup>Contracting in Chalmette Area</sup> ~~CONSTRUCTION~~ WHILE VISITING NEW ORLEANS.

INTERVIEW WITH MRS. CLOVINA A. OLONZO, MOTHER OF RITA  
STEIN, DETERMINED THAT SHE DID NOT SEE GALT WHILE HE WAS IN  
NEW ORLEANS.

IDENTITY OF THE ALLEGED NEW ORLEANS INDUSTRIALIST REFERRED  
TO IN RE NEWS ARTICLE NOT KNOWN TO NEW ORLEANS OFFICE.

THE "RED FLASH" EDITION OF THE NEW ORLEANS STATES-ITEM  
INSTANT DATE CARRIES A REHASH OF REFERENCED ARTICLE AND, IN  
ADDITION, INCLUDES STATEMENT ATTRIBUTED TO NEW ORLEANS DISTRICT  
ATTORNEY, JIM GARRISON, WHICH IS QUOTED AS FOLLOWS:

"WE'RE VERY INTERESTED IN THE CASE."

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HOWEVER, THE DA SAID, "WE HAVE NO DATA AT PRESENT. THE FEDERAL PEOPLE HAVE NOT GIVEN US THE INFORMATION."

HE ADDED THAT FEDERAL AUTHORITIES HAVE NOT REFUSED THE INFORMATION - THEY HAVE NOT YET BEEN ASKED FOR IT. "NOW THAT IT'S GETTING THIS SPECIFIC, WE'LL BE VERY MUCH INTERESTED."

GARRISON STRESSED THAT HE MEANS NO CRITICISM OF FEDERAL INVESTIGATORS IN THIS INSTANCE. "THEY HAVE THEIR OWN PROBLEMS," HE SAID.

REFERENCED NEWS ARTICLE BEING FORWARDED BUREAU, LOS ANGELES AND MEMPHIS AMSD INSTANT DATE.

FILES OF NEW ORLEANS DIVISION REVEAL THAT IN SUMMER OF SIXTYFIVE DURING RACIAL TURMOIL IN BOGALUSA, LA., AN INDIVIDUAL IDENTIFIED AS LOUIS LOMAX AND DESCRIBED AS A WRITER AND TELEVISION PERSONALITY FROM LOS ANGELES, CALIF., WAS PRESENT IN BOGALUSA ON NUMEROUS OCCASIONS. DURING THESE OCCASIONS LOMAX MADE SPEECHES AND PARTICIPATED IN MARCHES CONDUCTED BY THE BOGALUSA VOTERS LEAGUE (BVL), A LOCAL CIVIL RIGHTS ORGANIZATION.

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ON ONE OCCASION LOMAX IDENTIFIED HIMSELF AS CHAIRMAN OF A GROUP KNOWN AS "CONCERNED CALIFORNIANS FOR BOGALUSA COMMITTEE." FILES REVEAL THAT ALLEGEDLY LOMAX HAD RAISED FIFTEEN THOUSAND DOLLARS IN CALIFORNIA DURING SIXTYFIVE TO FURNISH TO THE BVL TO CONTINUE ITS OPERATIONS. HOWEVER, INFORMATION WAS FURNISHED BY A CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE THAT OF THE ALLEGED FIFTEEN THOUSAND DOLLARS RAISED BY LOMAX, ONLY APPROXIMATELY SIX THOUSAND DOLLARS HAD ACTUALLY BEEN FURNISHED BY LOMAX TO THE BVL.

AIRMAIL COPIES TO LOS ANGELES AND MEMPHIS.

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MR. W. A. FERGUSON, EIGHT NINE SIX FAXON, MEMPHIS, TENN.,  
TELEPHONE FIVE TWO SEVEN - NINE EIGHT FIVE ONE, ADVISED THAT  
ON APRIL FOUR AND FIVE LAST TELEPHONE CALLS PLACED TO ST.  
LOUIS, MO., NUMBER THREE ONE FOUR - EIGHT SIX FIVE - ONE THREE  
EIGHT ONE, WERE CHARGED TO HIS TELEPHONE BILL IN ERROR.

ST. LOUIS DETERMINE SUBSCRIBER ABOVE TELEPHONE NUMBER  
AND INTERVIEW RE IDENTITY OF PERSON MAKING CALL TO ST. LOUIS  
NUMBER ON APRIL FOUR AND FIVE LAST IN AN EFFORT TO DETERMINE  
IF THESE CALLS CONNECTED WITH THIS MATTER.

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