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Date: **6/4/68**Transmit the following in \_\_\_\_\_  
(Type in plaintext or code)Via **AIRTEL** \_\_\_\_\_  
(Priority)

**TO: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)**  
**FROM: SAC, CHARLOTTE (44-1365) (P)**  
**SUBJECT: MURKIN**

Re Memphis airtel to all offices dated 4/19/68,  
 regarding MURKIN costs.

Following are the costs for the Charlotte Division  
 for May, 1968:

## 1. MAN HOURS SPENT ON CASE

|                   | <u>Regular</u> | <u>Overtime</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|-------------------|----------------|-----------------|--------------|
| (a) Special Agent | 244            | 35              | 279          |
| (b) Clerical      | 112            |                 | <u>112</u>   |
|                   |                |                 | 391          |

2. TOTAL MILEAGE 2,150 miles

## 3. UNUSUAL OR OUT OF ORDINARY COSTS

|  |              |
|--|--------------|
| Telephone Calls (Toll)                   | \$125.00     |
| Photographs and photographic<br>Supplies | <u>43.00</u> |
|  | \$168.00     |

4. PEAK NUMBER OF SPECIAL AGENTS WORKING  
ON CASE IN MAY

13 Agents

② - Memphis  
 2 - Charlotte

CLW:jw  
 (4)

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 Special Agent in Charge

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TO: SAC, MEMPHIS

FROM: SAC, CINCINNATI (157-1893)

SUBJECT: MURKIN - COST DATA

Re Memphis airtel, 4/19/68, and telephone call,  
6/4/68.

The following is in confirmation of telephone  
call between SA BILLY C. KIRTS, Cincinnati and SA  
GYLFE, Memphis.

## Cost data for MURKIN, May, 1968:

|                          |                   |
|--------------------------|-------------------|
| 1. A - Regular hours     | 179               |
| Overtime hours           | 10 $\frac{1}{2}$  |
| Total                    | 189 $\frac{1}{2}$ |
| B - Regular hours        | 41 $\frac{1}{2}$  |
| Overtime hours           | 0                 |
| Total                    | 41 $\frac{1}{2}$  |
| 2. Total mileage         | 347               |
| 3. Unusual costs         | None              |
| 4. Peak number of agents | 17                |

2 - Memphis (RM)  
1 - Cincinnati

BCK/ams  
(3)

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Transmit the following in \_\_\_\_\_  
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TO: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)

FROM: SAC, KANSAS CITY (44-760) -P-

MURKIN  
COST DATA

Re Memphis airtel to Albany, 4/19/68.

The following is a breakdown of the number of man hours and other expenses allocated by the Kansas City Division to Murkin for the Month of May, 1968:

1. A. Special Agent - 653 Regular Hours  
114 Overtime Hours  
Total 767 Hours
- B. Clerical Employees - 310 Regular Hours  
12 Overtime Hours  
Total 324 Hours
2. Total mileage traveled in Bureau cars - 750 miles
3. Out-of-Ordinary Costs:
  - A. Photography Work - \$142.25
  - B. Telephone and Teletype - \$322.00
  - C. Other Expenses (Vibro Graver) - \$7.19
  - Total Out-of-Ordinary Costs - \$471.44
4. Peak number of Special Agents working on case during month - 18

② Memphis  
2 - Kansas City  
TJC:nks  
(4)

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TO: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)

FROM: SAC, MIAMI (44-1854) (P)

MURKIN

Re Memphis airtel, 4/19/68.

This will confirm information telephonically  
furnished your Division today.COST DATA - MIAMI DIVISIONI. Man Hours - Regular and OvertimeA. Special Agents

|                          |                |
|--------------------------|----------------|
| Regular                  | 170 hrs.       |
| Overtime                 | <u>40 hrs.</u> |
| Total Agent<br>Man Hours | 210 hrs.       |

B. Clerical Employees

|                             |           |
|-----------------------------|-----------|
| Regular                     | 42 hrs.   |
| Overtime                    | <u>--</u> |
| Total Clerical<br>Man Hours | 42 hrs.   |

II. Total Mileage Traveled

800 miles

2 - Memphis  
1 - Miami  
HAN:jth  
(3) Special Agent in Charge

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**III. Unusual Or Out of Ordinary Cost**

**None**

**IV. Peak Number of Special Agents Working**

**35**

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TO : SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)

FROM : SAC, MINNEAPOLIS (157-450)

SUBJECT: MURKIN - COST DATA

Re Memphis airtel to Albany, 4/19/68.

The following cost data of the Minneapolis Office is submitted for cost through May 31, 1968:

1. Number of man hours spent on case:

|                  | <u>Regular</u> | <u>Overtime</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|------------------|----------------|-----------------|--------------|
| A. Special Agent | 304            | 82              | 386          |
| B. Clerical      | 121            | 0               | 121          |

2. Total mileage traveled by Bureau car:

~~2,386~~  
5,987 miles.

3. There were no unusual or out of the ordinary costs.

4. It is estimated the peak number of agents working on instant case during the month of May was 18.

② - Memphis  
1 - Minneapolis  
CSL/kjw  
(3)

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(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL  
(Priority)

TO: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)  
 FROM: SAC, MOBILE (157-2627-SF2) (P)  
 RE: MURKIN  
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 (OO: ME)

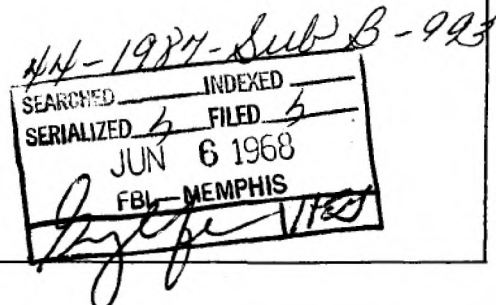
COST DATA

Re Mobile airtel to Memphis 5/2/68.

The following cost data is submitted for the month of May 1968:

| 1. Number of Manhours              | May 1968   | Total to Date |
|------------------------------------|------------|---------------|
| A. Special Agents                  |            |               |
| Regular Time                       | 320 hours  | 1327½ hours   |
| VOT                                | 38 hours   | 277-3/4 hours |
| B. Clerical                        |            |               |
| Regular Time                       | 48 hours   | 184 hours     |
| VOT                                | 0          | 6 hours       |
| 2. Total Mileage                   | 1601 miles | 9893 miles    |
| 3. Unusual Costs                   | None       |               |
| 4. Peak Number Agents Working Case | 26         |               |

(2) - Memphis  
 2 - Mobile  
 JTB:mb  
 (4)



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 Special Agent in Charge



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PLAIN TEXT

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(Priority)

TO: SAC, MEMPHIS

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (44-1609)

SUBJECT: MURKIN

RE COST DATA.

Re Memphis airtel to Albany, 4/19/68.

The following information is submitted in  
accordance with instructions in captioned airtel:

Number of man hours spent on instant matter:

|                       | <u>Regular Hours</u> | <u>Overtime Hours</u> | <u>Total Hours</u> |
|-----------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|
| SAS                   | 380                  | 96                    | 476                |
| Clerical<br>Employees | 32                   | ---                   | 32                 |
| Total                 | 412                  | 96                    | 508                |

Total mileage travelled by Bucars on instant matter-  
(estimated) - 100.

Unusual or out of the ordinary costs - None.

Peak number of SAS working on instant case during  
May - 5.

SUBJECT RAY SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

2- Memphis  
1- New York

JFS:jrf  
(4)

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Special Agent in Charge

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TO: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)  
 FROM: SAC, OMAHA (44-310) (P)  
 SUBJECT: MURKIN  
 COST DATA

Re Memphis airtel to Albany dated 4/19/68, bearing above caption.

The estimated cost data during May, 1968, in this case for the Omaha Division was as follows:

## (1) Man hours spent on case:

|                        | <u>Regular<br/>Hours</u> | <u>Overtime<br/>Hours</u> | <u>Total<br/>Hours</u> |
|------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------|
| (a) Special Agents     | 280                      | 45                        | 325                    |
| (b) Clerical Employees | 40                       | 0                         | 40                     |

(2) Estimated mileage of Bucars: 1475 miles

(3) Unusual expense - estimated additional telephone expense in Resident Agencies: \$75.00

(4) Peak number of Special Agents working on case: 30

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

② - Memphis  
 2 - Omaha  
 TWC/jj  
 (4)

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TO: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)  
 FROM: SAC, PHILADELPHIA (44-1368)  
 SUBJECT: MURKIN - COST DATA

Re Memphis airtel 4/19/68.

MAN HOURS, MILEAGE, and MISC. EXPENSES - MAY, 1968

Philadelphia Division through 5/31/68.

| 1. Reg. hours |      | VOT | TOTAL |
|---------------|------|-----|-------|
| SAs           | 1300 | 210 | 1510  |
| Clerical      | 105  | 0   | 105   |

2. Mileage 1200

3. Unusual Expense \$287 (nationwide distribution of wanted flyer to all laundries)

4. 19 agents at peak.

② - Memphis (44-1987)  
 1 - Philadelphia (44-1368)

JRW:ec  
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TO: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)  
FROM: SAC, PITTSBURGH (44-578) (P)  
SUBJECT: MURKIN - COST DATA

Re Pittsburgh airtel to Memphis dated 5/1/68.

## COST DATA FOR PITTSBURGH DIVISION FOR MONTH OF MAY, 1968

## 1. Number of man hours spent on case

|                                    |                  |
|------------------------------------|------------------|
| (a) Special Agents - Regular Hours | 159 hrs. 11 min. |
| Overtime Hours                     | 38 hrs. 27 min.  |

|  |             |
|--|-------------|
| 2. Total mileage traveled by Bucars<br>used on case. (estimated) | 1,054 miles |
|--|-------------|

|                                     |      |
|-------------------------------------|------|
| 3. Unusual or out of ordinary costs | None |
|-------------------------------------|------|

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|---|----|
| 4. Peak number of Special Agents working<br>on case during month of May, 1968 | 16 |
|---|----|

② - Memphis  
2 - Pittsburgh  
WLC:lgh  
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(Priority)

TO: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)  
 FROM: SAC, RICHMOND (44-657) - P -  
 SUBJECT: MURKIN - COST DATA

Re Memphis airtel to all offices, 4/19/68.

Set forth below is cost data on captioned matter for 5/68, as incurred by the Richmond Office, as requested in referenced airtel:

| (1) Man Hours Expended   | <u>Regular</u> | <u>Overtime</u> |
|--|----------------|-----------------|
| A. Special Agents.....   | 488            | 38              |
| B. Clerical Employees.....   | 14             | 0               |
| (2) Total Mileage (Estimated).....474 miles                          |                |                 |
| (3) Unusual Costs:   |                |                 |
| Expedite Photo Work.....   |                | \$49            |
| (4) Peak Number of Special Agents Working on Case During 5/68.....30 |                |                 |

2 - Memphis  
 1 - Richmond

REB:vsr  
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TO: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)  
FROM: SAC, TAMPA (157-3231) (P)  
MURKIN - COST DATA

ReTPairtel, 5/2/68.

Tampa Office cost figures for the month of May,  
1968 estimated as follows:

1. NUMBER OF MAN HOURSA. Special Agents

Regular Hours - 110 Hours  
Overtime Hours - 20 Hours  
Total Man Hours - 130 Hours

B. Clerical Employees

Regular Hours - 15 Hours  
Overtime Hours - 0  
Total Clerical Man Hours - 15 Hours  
OVERALL TOTAL - 145 Hours

2 - Memphis  
2 - Tampa  
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Special Agent in Charge

TP 157-3231

2. TOTAL ESTIMATED MILEAGE

A. Bureau Cars - 436 Miles

B. Personal Cars - 0

3. ANY UNUSUAL OR OUT OF ORDINARY COSTS - 0

4. PEAK NUMBER OF SAs WORKING ON CASE  
DURING THE MONTH - 17

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SUSPECT - UNIDENTIFIED MAN  
BELIEVED TO BE ERIC STARVO  
GALT SEEN BY MRS. RUTH ROEBUCK,  
OLTON, TEXAS, AT THE EL PASO  
INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT ON  
APRIL 14, 1968

AT EL PASO, TEXAS

On April 20, 1968, the below-listed individuals were furnished copies of the Wanted Flyer of JAMES EARL RAY by SA DAVID J. REID, at which time they advised that they would check with the employees of their respective companies in an effort to ascertain if any of the employees saw an individual at the El Paso International Airport on April 14, 1968, who possibly resembled ERIC STARVO GALT. They advised they would contact the El Paso Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation if any pertinent information was developed regarding this matter:

Mr. STAN CRAWFORD, Trans-Texas Airways,  
El Paso International Airport;

ELI ARVIZU, Frontier Airlines, El Paso  
International Airport;

THOMAS L. TROWBRIDGE, American Airlines,  
El Paso International Airport;

RAY ESPERSEN, Jr., Continental Airlines,  
El Paso International Airport;

Sergeant KENNETH W. HESTERLY, Military  
Information Desk, El Paso International  
Airport.

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SUSPECT - DAVID HAWKINS

AT EL PASO, TEXAS

On April 18, 1968, Mrs. HARLEY HERRALD, 974 Cornelius Street, advised SA's WALLACE A. CROSSMON and EDWARD JOSEPH MURPHY as follows:

At 6:35 p.m. on April 17, 1968, Mrs. HERRALD received a person-to-person telephone call from one DAVID HAWKINS. HAWKINS stated that he was "on the run" and was leaving New Orleans, Louisiana, on the morning of April 18, 1968, arriving in El Paso, Texas, in 24 hours. HERRALD asked HAWKINS why he was "on the run", and he replied, "you might say from the family". When HERRALD asked HAWKINS if he was in trouble, HAWKINS replied "I will tell you when I get there".

HERRALD knew HAWKINS when both of them served in the United States Army in Germany during the period from 1955 through 1957 and had corresponded by mail since that time. HAWKINS is about 40 years of age and closely fits the description of the unknown subject. HAWKINS underwent psychiatric treatment in Florida following his release from the United States Army in 1957 and 1958, the reason for treatment not known. The fact that HAWKINS closely resembles the description of the unknown subject, that HAWKINS has had psychiatric problems in the past, and that he was "on the run" indicated to HERRALD the possibility that HAWKINS was the unknown subject.

HAWKINS has resided with his brother, BERNARD HAWKINS, Rfd. #1, Box 18, Wellborn, Florida, since his release from the United States Army in late 1957 or early 1958. Mrs. HERRALD received a letter from HAWKINS postmarked Wellborn,

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Florida, on February 10, 1968.

HERRALD described DAVID HAWKINS as follows:

|                  |  |
|------------------|--|
| Sex              | Male   |
| Race             | White  |
| Age              | Approximately 40   |
| Height           | 5'9" to 5'10"  |
| Hair             | Sandy - blond  |
| Build            | Slight   |
| Weight           | 140 to 160 pounds  |
| Characteristics  | Long pointed nose,<br>possibly wears glasses   |
| Military Service | United States Army, 1955 -<br>1957 (stationed in Frankfurt,<br>Germany. Possible prior<br>service in Korea.) |

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SUSPECT - PASSENGER RESEMBLING  
JAMES EARL RAY ON AMERICAN  
AIRLINES FLIGHT 122 FROM LOS  
ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, TO EL PASO,  
TEXAS, ON MAY 1, 1968

AT EL PASO, TEXAS

On May 1, 1968, SA's WALLACE A. CROSSMON and HARREL LEON DAVIS observed the passengers as they disembarked from American Airlines Flight 122 at the El Paso International Airport. A stewardess pointed out the individual who reportedly resembled JAMES EARL RAY.

This individual identified himself as ERNIE M. SNYDER. SNYDER exhibited United States passport and Army Identification Card showing that he was a member of the United States Army, Serial Number [REDACTED] and was attached to Headquarters, Third Brigade, Fort Bliss, Texas, having just returned from Bangkok, Thailand. SNYDER bore a strong resemblance to RAY, however, he was 6'3" tall.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)

FROM : SAC, EL PASO (157-186) (P)

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 6/4/68

Rerep SA DAVID J. REID at El Paso dated 5/31/68; El Paso teletype to Bureau 4/18/68; Sacramento teletype to Dallas and El Paso dated 4/19/68; Los Angeles teletype to El Paso dated 5/1/68.

Enclosed for Memphis are 15 copies each of three inserts, one dealing with one DAVID HAWKINS, one dealing with a man at the El Paso International Airport, and one dealing with a passenger aboard American Airlines Flight 122.

Referenced El Paso teletype deals with the DAVID HAWKINS insert, referenced Sacramento teletype deals with the insert regarding the man seen by Mrs. RUTH ROEBUCK at the El Paso International Airport, and referenced Los Angeles teletype deals with the insert regarding the passenger resembling JAMES EARL RAY on American Airlines Flight 122.

It is noted that investigation was conducted by other offices in regard to the individuals mentioned in these inserts.

Even though investigation in each instance established that the individuals in question were not identical with JAMES EARL RAY, these inserts are being furnished to the Memphis Office in view of the possibility that other offices conducting investigation regarding these matters have submitted inserts to the Memphis Office.

2 Memphis (Enc. 45)  
2 El Paso

DJR:CLB  
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)

FROM : *WMA* SAC, MOBILE (157-2627)(P)

SUBJECT: MURKIN  
(OO: MEMPHIS)

DATE: 6/5/68

Re: CONTACT WITH COMMUNICATIONS MEDIA

Reference is made to Bureau teletype, 4/24/68.

Personal contact with cooperative radio and TV stations and newspapers was had as a result of referenced teletype, and these establishments all pledged wide and frequent publicity to instant case. Complete information, including photographs and description of RAY, has separately been furnished to these news media.

These contacts made are recorded in Mobile file.

②-Memphis  
2-Mobile  
JTB:alg  
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TO : SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)

FROM : *WMA*  
*c* SAC, MOBILE (157-2627)(P)

SUBJECT: MURKIN  
(OO: MEMPHIS)

DATE: 6/5/68

RE: CONTACT WITH "HIPPIE" ROOMING HOUSES  
AND SIMILAR ESTABLISHMENTS

Re Bureau teletype, 4/24/68.

No "Hippie" rooming houses, as such, are known in the Mobile Div. territory; however, as response to this teletype, Agents contacted tourist and boarding houses in Headquarters City and RA cities and exhibited photographs of subject RAY. No pertinent information was developed as a result of these contacts and these negative contacts are recorded in Mobile file.

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②-Memphis  
2-Mobile  
JTB:alg  
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TO : SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)

FROM : *WMA*  
SAC, MOBILE (157-2627)(P)

SUBJECT: MURKIN  
(OO: MEMPHIS)

DATE: 6/5/68

Re: CIRCULARIZATION OF LAUNDRIES  
AND DRY CLEANING ESTABLISH-  
MENTS

Reference is made to Bureau teletype, 5/2/68, and Memphis teletype, 5/3/68, concerning captioned matter.

Laundries and dry cleaning establishments in Headquarters City and RA cities of the Mobile Division were contacted by SA's and photographs of subject RAY exhibited to employees of such establishments. No one contacted was able to identify RAY as a customer or as anyone known to such persons.

These negative contacts are recorded in Mobile file.

②-Memphis  
2-Mobile  
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)

FROM : *WMA*  
*c* SAC, MOBILE (157-2627)(P)

SUBJECT: MURKIN  
(OO: MEMPHIS)

DATE: 6/5/68

Re: STOPS WITH MOBILE MVD AND DLB

Re Bureau teletype, 4/24/68.

Re-contact with the Motor Vehicle Div. and Driver's License Div. on 4/25/68, by SA SPENCER H. ROBB verified that stops previously placed with these Divs. are still outstanding. Close liaison is maintained with these Divisions.

②-Memphis  
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)

FROM : *WMA*  
*c* SAC, MOBILE (157-2627)(P)

SUBJECT: MURKIN  
(OO: MEMPHIS)

DATE: 6/5/68

Re: SALVATION ARMY AND OTHER  
CHARITABLE-TYPE MISSIONS

Re Bureau radiogram, 5/22/68.

Photographs of subject were exhibited to personnel of Salvation Army and charity missions located in Headquarters City and RA cities without effecting an identification. These negative contacts are recorded in Mobile file.

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② Mobile  
2-Memphis *mobile*  
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# EASTMAN KODAK COMPANY

GENERAL OFFICES  
343 STATE STREET

ROCHESTER, NEW YORK 14650

TELEPHONE  
AREA CODE 716 325-2000

May 23, 1968

The FBI recently asked us to send the enclosed identification sheet to you with the information that the party wanted -- James Earl Ray -- purchased a Kodak/Instamatic M8 Movie Camera and a Kodak Instamatic M95 Movie Projector around October or November, 1967. The serial numbers of the equipment are not known.

There is the chance that Ray may appear sometime, at some place, to request service for his equipment. Should this happen in your place of business, please notify your local FBI Office at once. You will find the address and phone number on the back of the identification sheet.

Yours very truly,

*FH Wakeley*

Manager,  
Equipment Services

FHWakeley:smb

Enclosure

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# EASTMAN KODAK COMPANY

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343 STATE STREET

ROCHESTER, NEW YORK 14650

TELEPHONE  
AREA CODE 716 325-20

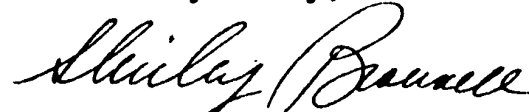
May 23, 1968

Mr. Walter Samelstad  
Federal Building  
Post Office Box 3095  
Rochester, New York 14614

Dear Mr. Samelstad:

Mr. Wakeley has asked that the attached copy of his May 23 letter be sent along to you. This letter was mailed to all locations in the United States, Hawaii and Bermuda where a person might seek service on a piece of Kodak equipment. It was accompanied by the identification folder covering the wanted person.

Yours very truly,



SMBrownell:smb

Secretary to  
F. H. Wakeley

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)

FROM : *[Signature]* SAC, BUFFALO (44-374) (P)

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 6/5/68

RE: Kodak Instamatic M8  
Movie Camera and Kodak  
Instamatic M95 Movie  
Projector

Attached hereto is a Xerox copy of a letter Eastman Kodak sent to all locations in the U.S., Hawaii, and Bermuda, where a person might seek service on a piece of Kodak equipment.

Memphis is requested to advise Buffalo when this stop is no longer necessary. Stop notice attached.

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DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

6/5/68

SAC, DALLAS (44-2649)(P)

MURKIN

OO - MEMPHIS

Enclosed to Bureau is page 96, July, 1968, issue of "Live", one of the several Negro magazines published at Fort Worth, Texas, and distributed nationally. This is an article re JAMES EARL RAY, captioned "Wanted: The Man Who Killed MARTIN LUTHER KING".

By separate communication, Bureau has been furnished a copy of publicity concerning RAY in the July, 1968, issue of "Bronze Thrills", a companion publication.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

2 - Bureau (Enc. 1)  
② - Memphis (44-1987)  
2 - Dallas (1 - 44-2649)  
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6/5/68

AIRTEL

TO Director, FBI (44-38861)  
FROM SAC, Atlanta (44-2388)  
RE MURKIN

Re Bureau airtel to Atlanta 6/4/68.

Mr. AUBREY C. ROSS, District Director, Internal Revenue Service, Atlanta, which district covers the State of Georgia, was contacted 6/5/68 in accordance with instructions in reairtel.

He caused a search to be made of the TCR-1 forms and stated no withdrawal transactions of \$10,000 or more were reported during the month of April 1968. Mr. ROSS pointed out that there would not be any more of the TCR-1 forms for the month of April being turned in. He also pointed out that this is a voluntary submission by the institutions, consequently, 100% effective coverage cannot be assured. However, it has been his experience that any questionable type transactions are reported.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

3 Bureau (AM)  
1 Birmingham (AM) 44-1740  
① Memphis (AM) 44-1987  
1 New Orleans (AM) 157-10673  
1 Los Angeles (AM) 44-1574  
1 Atlanta

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Airtel

To: SACs, Cleveland (44-565)  
Milwaukee (44-388)  
Memphis (44-1987)

From: Director, FBI (44-38861)

MURKIN

ReCVairtel 5/29/68.

In view of current Canadian developments,  
take no action on recommendations in reCVairtel at this  
time, UACB.

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

1Date 4/17/68

Mr. PETE L. SMITH, second floor, 430 K Street, N. W., advised that he was acquainted with EMIL MATALIK and that he had seen him every day during the past week to the best of his knowledge. He said that MATALIK comes and goes frequently and that at the present time, MATALIK is a candidate for the office of President of the United States. He said that he recalled that on the morning of April 6, 1968, he saw MATALIK attempting to pass literature to troops on duty in the vicinity of 430 K Street, N. W. He said that he had not seen MATALIK since that time, but that he was certain that he had seen him every day in the previous week and that on most days he had seen him several times.

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On 4/7/68 at Washington, D. C. File # WFO 44-703

by SAs ROBERT W. DAWSON  
and ROBERT F. PETTY RWD:sjp Date dictated 4/12/68

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

**1**Date 4/17/68

Mr. **WALTER L. BISHOP**, third floor, 430 K Street, N. W., Washington, D. C., advised that he was not acquainted with **EMIL MATALIK**, but that he resided in the next room to **MATALIK** according to information given to him by Mr. **WALTER McKENNETH**, the manager. **BISHOP** said that he had been ill during the last several days and that he is certain that someone had been in **MATALIK**'s room several times during each day during the last week, except that on the afternoon and evening of April 6, 1968, he heard no one in that room.

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

**1**Date **4/17/68**

Mr. **WALTER McKENNETH**, 430 K Street, N. W., Washington, D. C., advised that he manages the rooming house at this address. He stated that **EMIL NATALIK** resides on the third floor at this address and that he frequently sees **NATALIK**. He related that on April 4, 1968, **NATALIK** had visited him in his quarters at around 10:00 to 10:30 a.m. and then again at about 5:00 p.m. **NATALIK** returned at about 7:00 to 7:30 p.m. and watched television for approximately one half hour, at which time **McKENNETH** put him out because he (**McKENNETH**) was interested in the news concerning Reverend **MARTIN LUTHER KING**, and **NATALIK** wished to talk.

**McKENNETH** stated that he had also seen **NATALIK** about the residence every day during the past week, except on Saturday, April 6, 1968.

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**and ROBERT F. PETTY RWD:sjp**Date dictated **4/12/68**

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

1Date 4/17/68

Mrs. ELVA McKENNETH, 430 K Street, N. W., advised that she recalled seeing EMIL MATALIK at this rooming house every day during the past week, except for Saturday, April 6, 1968, at which time she saw him at the corner of 5th and K Streets, N. W., when he was talking to some military personnel.

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On 4/7/68 at Washington, D. C. File # WFO 44-703  
by SAs ROBERT W. DANSON  
and ROBERT F. PETTY RMD:sjp Date dictated 4/12/68

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By communication dated April 6, 1968, the Baltimore Division, Federal Bureau of Investigation advised that the Baltimore, Maryland, Police Department, had arrested EMIL MATALIN as a look alike of the killer of Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. MATALIN, born [redacted] at Highland, Wisconsin, five feet ten inches, one hundred and sixty pounds, and ruddy complexion, had advised that he arrived in Baltimore from Washington, D. C., on that date and that he had resided at 430 K Street, Northwest, Washington, D. C., where he had lived for the past four months.

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)

DATE: 6/4/68

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

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re: EMIL MATALIK

ReBAtel 4/6/68; WFOtel 4/7/68.

Enclosed for Memphis are 15 copies each of the following:

FD 302 re interview of PETE L. SMITH ✓  
FD 302 re interview of WALTER L. BISHOP ✓  
FD 302 re interview of Mrs. ELVA MCKENNETH ✓  
FD 302 re interview of WALTER MCKENNETH ✓  
Report insert.

2 - Memphis (ENC 75) *mgm*  
1 - WFO  
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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)

FROM : *JJ*  
*DM* SAC, ALBUQUERQUE (44-715)P

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 6/4/68

Re driver's license check.  
Bureau teletype to All SAC's, 5/21/68.

On 5/24/68, Mrs. MARY ANN ROMERO, Supervisor, Driver Services Division, Motor Vehicle Department, Santa Fe, N.M., advised it would not be possible to check all applications for driver's licenses for all male Caucasians over 30 years and under 55 years of age. She explained that the licenses are sent in almost daily from the various district offices. They are not sorted other than alphabetically. No record is kept of the licenses as they are received (no master list of incoming license applications). It would therefore be impossible to check back to 4/1/68 and ascertain which applications have been received since that date.

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② - Memphis  
2 - Albuquerque  
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)

FROM : *TJG* SAC, ALBUQUERQUE (44-715)P  
*Djw*

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 6/4/68

Re check of deceased unidentified persons.  
Bureau airtel to All SAC's, 5/9/68.

On 5/20/68, Mrs. BETTY SILVA, Clerk at the Bureau of Vital Statistics, Santa Fe, N.M., reviewed the death certificates on file in her office. These cover deaths which have occurred throughout the state. She explained that records of unidentified dead are filed in her office under the county where the death occurred. She had none of these for the pertinent period.

Mrs. SILVA searched her records from 4/5/68 through the present by name and birth date of the individual males and found none identifiable with the subject. She will be alert to future death certificates which might be of the subject, and will inform the FBI Office in Albuquerque.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS

② - Memphis  
2 - Albuquerque  
(1 - 66-1273)  
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6/4/68

AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)  
FROM: SAC, COLUMBIA (44-299) (P)  
MURKIN

Re WFO airtel to Bureau, 5/31/68.

Referenced airtel enclosed a list of all obscene pen-pal clubs in the United States presently under investigation by the Post Office Department.

The first club on this list is "RJS--Columbia, S. C., Case number 364-00188-E indicating this case is assigned to Inspector BULLARD.

On 6/3/68, Postal Inspector I. G. McDONALD, Columbia, S. C., after telephonically contacting his Atlanta Office advised as follows:

Inspector J. G. BULLARD, who resides at Augusta, Ga., formerly worked these type cases on a roving basis including Columbia, S. C. Instant case is now being worked by Postal Inspector D. L. CAPPS, Box 4706, Macon, Ga., who has telephone number FTS 912-743-2221, or regular number 912-742-0366. Instant club is reportedly operated by JERRY SANDERS, 223 Tryon Street, Columbia, S. C., through Post Office Box 11266, Columbia, S. C.

3-Bureau (RM)  
2-Atlanta (44-2386) (RM)  
2-Memphis (44-1987) (RM)  
2-Columbia

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ATLANTA DIVISION

AT MACON, GEORGIA

1. Will contact Postal Inspector CAPPS to determine any details he may have regarding instant club and its members and advise him that SANDERS will be interviewed at Columbia, S. C., if he can be located.

2. Will obtain full name of person operating this club as Columbia directories do not contain name JERRY SANDERS and one GEORGE ELIOTT is listed as residing at 223 Tryon Street.



6/5/68

PLAIN TEXT

AIRTEL

TO: SAC, PHILADELPHIA (44-1368)

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (44-1609)

SUBJECT: MURKIN  
CIVIL RIGHTS  
(OO: MEMPHIS)

RE OBSCENE PEN - PAL CLUBS.

Re WFO airtel to the Bureau, 5/31/68.

"Black Book", 160 West 46th Street, NYC, is a book for male and female "singles" (as opposed to group) who wish to write to each and is published every six to seven weeks. Subscription cost is \$3.00 for six issues and subscription list totals about 3,000 per year. Ottheinrich Werner, publisher.

Mr. RAY, 219 East 5th Street, Chester, Pennsylvania, is a subscriber to "Black Book". Philadelphia determine if Mr. RAY is identical with subject JAMES EARL RAY.

SUBJECT RAY SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

2 Philadelphia  
1 Memphis (44-1987) (INFO)  
1 New York

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DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

6/5/68

SAC, WFO (44-703) (P)

MURKIN

On 5/9/68, WFO received information that RAY, as ERIC S. GALT, as early as December, 1967, was inquiring as to procedures to enter Rhodesia. In view of this, WFO recommended that plans be effected with the Passport Office, United States Department of State, to arrange for a systematic review of all passport applications received since RAY's prison escape in April, 1967.

This project was commenced and over 700,000 of a total of about 2,100,000 applications were reviewed before the project was halted on 6/4/68, as a result of investigative developments from a similar project in Canada.

As many as 36 Agents a day were used in this review which in some instances consisted of round-the-clock work. Miss FRANCES G. KNIGHT, Director, Passport Office, and Mr. ROBERT D. JOHNSON, Deputy Director, Passport Office, were most cooperative in arranging for this review.

Miss KNIGHT unhesitatingly made available the full facilities of the Passport Office and Mr. JOHNSON made arrangements for passport employees to be on duty in order that WFO's search could be continued during other than normal working hours. He also arranged for Agent personnel to use the garage facilities of the Passport Office in view of the absence of public transportation available to Agent personnel arriving for work or departing from work at the Passport Office at midnight.

It is recommended that the Director send a letter to Miss KNIGHT expressing appreciation for her warm and whole-

2 - Bureau  
① - Memphis (44-1987)  
1 - WFO

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hearted cooperation in making Passport Office files available to WFO Agent personnel for this project. It is further recommended that the Director express thanks to Mr. JOHNSON for assisting WFO personnel in perfecting the fine details of this review and handling of necessary administrative changes. WFO files reflect that both Miss KNIGHT and Mr. JOHNSON have been staunch Bureau friends for years.



DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

6/5/68

SAC, WFO (44-703) (P)

MURKIN

ReWFOtelcall today.

Miss FRANCES KNIGHT, Director, Passport Office, United States Department of State, today furnished the following information to SA KENNETH J. HASER, WFO:

She commented that she had been contacted by PAUL SCOTT, of Publishers-Hall Syndicate. SCOTT, according to Miss KNIGHT, is a reliable and reputable free lance writer.

SCOTT inquired if the FBI was checking passport files in connection with captioned matter and Miss KNIGHT replied that the FBI would be able to check files if a specific name were known, pointing out that the passport records contained over 25 million index cards. SCOTT's questions then centered on whether a United States citizen needed a passport to visit Canada and Miss KNIGHT received the impression SCOTT was interested in JAMES EARL RAY in respect to his possibly being in Canada. Miss KNIGHT advised SCOTT that any citizen could visit Canada without a passport.

Above for information.

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2 - Bureau  
① - Memphis (44-1987)  
1 - WFO

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Date: 6/5/68

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

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

Re Los Angeles airtel 5/23/68; and Buairtel 6/4/68.

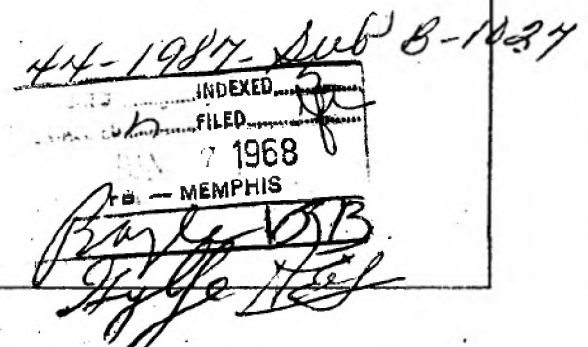
Prior to receipt of reBuairtel, the New Orleans Division on 5/31/68 contacted Mr. NAURBON PERRY, Group Supervisor, Intelligence, Internal Revenue Service, New Orleans, exploring the feasibility of obtaining information from TCR-1 Forms.

PERRY stated that his office receives these forms through the Federal Reserve Bank and they come from banks all over the Gulf Coast, including Mobile, Alabama. He stated cooperation with regard to completing a TCR-1 Form is for the most part voluntary on the part of the banks. The regulations regarding the TCR-1's completion are handled by the Comptroller of Currency and he pointed out that most banks do not follow these regulations to the letter.

PERRY stated he was specifically prohibited by Statute from disclosing information from the TCR-1 Form, and that he would not be able to disclose this information without the specific permission of the Commissioner of IRS.

3 - Bureau (44-38861)  
1 - Atlanta (44-2386) (INFO)  
1 - Birmingham (44-1740) (INFO)  
1 - Los Angeles (44-1574) (INFO)  
① - Memphis (44-1987) (INFO)  
2 - New Orleans

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Approved: \_\_\_\_\_ Sent \_\_\_\_\_ M Per \_\_\_\_\_  
Special Agent in Charge

NO 157-10673 /sam

Later that date, Mr. PERRY advised that he had been in telephonic contact with his national office in Washington, D. C., relative to the disclosure problem surrounding the furnishing of information from the TCR-1 Forms to the FBI. He stated he expected a decision would be reached by 6/3/68.

In view of this, leads to contact all banks in the New Orleans area were held in abeyance pending further word from Mr. PERRY.

On 6/3/68, Mr. PERRY was recontacted and advised that he had heard nothing yet giving him authorization to disclose the desired information.

As of 6/4/68, no word had been received from PERRY therefore, leads concerning contact with individual banks previously assigned will be covered in accordance with instructions in Buairtel dated 5/21/68.

Above for information of the Bureau.

Armed and Dangerous

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Airtel

To: SAC, Birmingham (44-1740)

From: Director, FBI (44-38861)

MURKIN

*Circularization index*

ReBHairtel 5/31/68.

In view of the fact that it has been determined that subject resided in Canada from April 8, 1968, until May 6, 1968, and was last known to be in London, England, as of May 7, 1968, Bureau authority is not being granted to circularize physicians in accordance with your proposal in referenced communication.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

1 - Memphis (44-1987)

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AIRTEL      AIRMAIL

TO:            SAC, SPRINGFIELD (44-561)  
FROM:         SAC, KANSAS CITY (44-760) (P)  
RE:            MURKIN

*Bank of Alton* Re Springfield airtel to Boston, 5/31/68.  
SUSPECT IN ALTON, ILLINOIS, BANK ROBBERY, 7/13/67

The following investigation was conducted by  
SA THOMAS H. WEAVER:

AT JEFFERSON CITY, MISSOURI

On 6/4/68, Captain DONALD WYRICK, Administrative Assistant to the Warden, Missouri State Penitentiary, advised that inmates on discharge from the Missouri State Penitentiary (MSP) are given new clothing to wear. He said this clothing includes an elastic, stretch-type belt, and the new clothing would bear no laundry marks. He stated that inmate clothing is laundered in the prison laundry, but this clothing is prison garb not taken out by the inmates on discharge from the MSP. He stated that clothing and laundry markings such as described in referenced airtel are not familiar to him and based on description of the clothing given would not be for clothing from the MSP.

3 - Springfield  
    (2 - 44-561)  
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DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

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SAC, DALLAS (44-2469) (P)

MURKIN  
JAMES EARL RAY - FUGITIVE

*Circularization*  
*inlet*

*Sub B-1012*  
Enclosed for Bureau is page 39 from July 1968 issue of "Bronze Thrills", Negro magazine published at Fort Worth, Texas, and distributed nationally. Subject's photograph, descriptive data and usual offer of reward for information leading to apprehension are included.

This is the first white fugitive published in this magazine. Twelve Negro I.O. fugitives and one non-I.O. Negro fugitive have been apprehended as a result of publicity through this medium. Should RAY's apprehension so result, Dallas and Bureau should be given full details promptly.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

- 2 - Bureau (Enc. 1)
- 1 - Memphis (44-1987)
- 3 - Dallas (2 - 44-2469)  
(1 - 94-160)

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 4/25/19681

ROBERT F. BENNETT, Washington Representative, Public Relations Office, J. C. Penney, Incorporated, Executive Building, 1030 15th Street, North West said he learned from his father Senator WALLACE BENNETT of Utah, the following:

On April 3, 1968, the day before the assassination of Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, a group of industrialists in the Chicago area who have business interests in Utah gave a cocktail reception for Senator WALLACE BENNETT. Afterwards a smaller group of five or six of these industrialists had dinner with Senator BENNETT. One of these persons said a man who used to work for him was the personal chauffeur for Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING and this man came to him for advice. The chauffeur for KING said KING required him to carry over \$200,000.00 in cash in a black bag at all times. The chauffeur was concerned about his job as a chauffeur inasmuch as he recognized the possibility of being robbed or KING himself being killed for the money.

The industrialist advised the chauffeur to quit but to furnish KING another reason for quitting.

ROBERT BENNETT said the host of the dinner was CHARLEY BARR, Standard Oil of Indiana, telephone 312 431-6314, Chicago, Illinois. Also BARR was present at the dinner and could furnish the names of the persons present including the name of the person who formerly employed KING's chauffeur and related the information about a black bag containing \$200,000.00. ROBERT BENNETT added he had contacted his father Senator BENNETT for the name of the person but his father could not recall the name of the individual who related the incident.

On 4/25/1968 at Washington, D.

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by SA ROGER D. ASHLAND:RDA:rd

4/25/1968

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