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To: SAC, New York (44-1869)

From: Director, FBI (44-38861) ⁸³⁰

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Reurtel 4-12-68.

Latent fingerprints this case not identical Claud Albert
Case, date of birth [redacted] Texarkana, Texas, fingerprinted 8-3-58
by Atlanta Georgia Police Department, who may or may not be named
suspect.

✓ 1- SAC, Memphis (44-1987) Airmail.

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URGENT

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI & SAC, ATLANTA

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (44-1609)

MURKIN; CIVIL RIGHTS; OO: MEMPHIS

ANONYMOUS FEMALE TELEPHONICALLY CONTACTED NYO THIS DATE AND ADVISED THAT FINGERPRINTS OF CLAUDE ALBERT CASS, AGE THIRTY FOUR, SHOULD BE COMPARED AGAINST UNSUB'S. SHE STATED CASS IS EMPLOYED AS CITY DASH COUNTY MARSHAL, ATLANTA, GEORGIA, AND STATED THAT CASS' SUPERIOR, CHIEF MARSHAL, SHOULD NOT BE CONTACTED REGARDING THIS INQUIRY.

ATLANTA CONDUCT APPROPRIATE INVESTIGATION TO ELIMINATE OR IDENTIFY CASS AS UNSUB.

BUREAU REQUESTED TO CONDUCT NAME CHECK SEARCH OF INDICES OF IDENTIFICATION DIVISION, FOR FINGERPRINTS OF CLAUDE ALBERT CASS AND COMPARE WITH UNSUB'S.

① New York (44-1609)
① Memphis (AM)
1- Supv. #23
1- ADIC MALONE

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TO: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)
FROM: SAC, NORFOLK (44-268)(P)
MURKIN
CR
OO: MEMPHIS

Re Bureau teletype to All SACs, 4/8/68.

Enclosed for Memphis are two photographs and four negatives of MARVIN RAYMOND DEWEESE.

Enclosed for Birmingham are two photographs of MARVIN RAYMOND DEWEESE.

On 4/8/68, A. D. DINKINS, Manager, Hunton YMCA, Wood and Church Streets, Norfolk, Virginia, which establishment is patronized almost solely by Negroes, advised SA HENRY A. WELKE that a white male registered at this YMCA during the afternoon and the clerk who registered this individual believed he resembled the artist's conception of the one who shot Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. Mr. DINKINS said he was registered in the name of M. R. DEWEESE of Jacksonville, Florida. He was placed in Room 206.

SAs WELKE and LEMUEL W. KERR, after some difficulty in arousing Mr. DEWEESE who was asleep in his room, interviewed him and took photographs of DEWEESE after the interview. DEWEESE furnished the following information concerning himself and his activities during the pertinent period in March and April, 1968:

②-Memphis (Enc. 6)(AM)
2-Birmingham (Enc. 2)(AM)
2-Jacksonville (AM)
1-Norfolk
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Name	MARVIN RAYMOND DEWEESE
Address	13605 Lanier Road Jacksonville, Florida
Height	6'1"
Weight	200 pounds
Hair	Brown, crewcut
Eyes	Blue
Born	[REDACTED] Narrows, Virginia
Employment	Unemployed
Military Service	Retired from U. S. Navy, Rate AK-1, NSN [REDACTED], Retired 7/9/65; U. S. Coast Guard Merchant Mariner's Permit Identification Number [REDACTED]
Social Security #	[REDACTED]
Scars and Marks	Tattoos - "Evelyn" on upper right arm; "USN [REDACTED]" on lower right arm; Smeared tattoo outside right wrist; Tattoo on righthand "13" between thumb and index finger
Marital Status	Married
Present Wife	MARTHA E. BROWN DEWEESE 15370 Lanier Road Jacksonville, Florida
Former Wives	VIOLET ELIZABETH HOWELL, deceased; JOAN NIECE, divorced, whereabouts unknown; BETTY SIMMS, divorced 1956, last known to be residing in Stratford, Connecticut
Parents	DANIEL FRENCH DEWEESE 113 Hale Street Narrows, Virginia; CHERRY MAE DEWEESE Same address
Brothers	DANIEL DEWEESE, age 35 Narrows, Virginia; EVERETT DEWEESE, age 24 Employed Newport News Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Company, Newport News, Virginia;

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Sisters

CHARLES DEWEESE, age 19 - 20
Employed at Newport News
Shipbuilding and Dry Dock
Company, Newport News, Virginia
MARY DEWEESE ADAMS, aka
Mrs. HOWARD ADAMS
Richmond, Virginia;
IDA DEWEESE KESSINGER, aka
Mrs. DONALD KESSINGER
Bassett, Virginia;
CORA DEWEESE CROCKETT, aka
Mrs. WALTER CROCKETT, JR.
Narrows, Virginia;
BARBARA DEWEESE JONES, aka
Mrs. CHARLES H. JONES
Newport News, Virginia;
MARGARET DEWEESE, who is
married to an unrecalled
individual, Richmond, Virginia;
LENA DEWEESE STONE
Percerville, Virginia

Education
Organizational
Affiliation

Seventh grade
American Legion Lodge
Little Rock, Arkansas.

DEWEESE said he had last worked as a stockroom man for Samsonite Corporation, 1050 South Broadway, Denver, Colorado. His check number was 15370, and he possessed a payroll slip which showed he was paid for the week ending 3/3/68. He said that he left Denver en route to Florida; stopped by Houston, Texas; then to New Orleans; then Mobile, Alabama. Then he went to Jacksonville, Florida. He said he left Denver on 3/2/68. He said he left on a Saturday of the last week he worked. He indicated that the work week at Samsonite ended on Sunday. He said he was married to MARTHA E. BROWN, a widow with two children, and that they were at the Lanier Road address in Jacksonville, Florida. He said he was unemployed at the time and that he had obtained his USCG Merchant Seaman's papers and was attempting to catch a ship out. He said he was a member of the National Maritime Union (NMU), and he was told in Jacksonville that it would be easier to catch a ship through the Norfolk NMU than the Jacksonville NMU. He also advised he took a round

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trip to Baltimore and remained in Baltimore two days staying at the Roosevelt Hotel. That was between the time he arrived in Jacksonville, Florida, and the date he got married, which was 3/18/68. He indicated further that he traveled to Baltimore in his personally-owned automobile, a 1956 Chrysler New Yorker. He also stated that he stayed in Jacksonville, Florida, until Saturday, 4/6/68, at 4:15 PM, when he caught a bus from Jacksonville to Newport News, Virginia, arriving in Newport News on 4/7/68. He indicated he came to Richmond and then transferred to Newport News.

He possessed a card which indicated that he registered in the NMU Hall, Norfolk, Virginia, at 9:04 AM, 4/8/68. He said that when he arrived in Newport News on 4/7/68, he went to his sister's house and stayed with her and her husband, CHARLES H. JONES, 735 Westward Avenue, Hampton, Virginia.

He was observed smoking incessantly, and he said he had been smoking Winston cigarettes for many years. He was observed to have blue eyes and brown hair with a crewcut, which he said he had been wearing since he was 21 years old.

He was very emphatic and positive he had not been in Memphis, Nashville, Birmingham or vicinity during the latter part of March or first part of April, 1968. He was specifically asked if he had been in Birmingham on 3/28 - 30/68, which he indicated he had not. He was also asked about his whereabouts on 4/4/68. He claimed he was in Jacksonville, Florida, during these pertinent periods. He said he was staying with his wife and their two children (his wife's children by another marriage). He said he had never been in Birmingham to his knowledge, and he went to Memphis one time several years ago.

He had in his possession a Navy identification card which indicated that he, MARVIN RAYMOND DEWEESE, was retired from the U. S. Navy on 7/9/65. He also had a Merchant Mariner's Permit Identification Card Number [REDACTED]. His description was: brown hair; blue eyes; 6'; 200 pounds; born [REDACTED] Narrows, Virginia; address - 1730 Merivale Road, Jacksonville, Florida.

Mr. DINKINS, Manager, Hunton YMCA, said that Mrs. ANITA ELLIOTT, Day Clerk, was the individual who thought DEWEESE resembled the artist's conception of the assassin.

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At the time of the interview, DEWEESE was cooperative and readily consented to having his photograph taken.

Copies are furnished Jacksonville for information in the event Memphis desires further elimination of DEWEESE.

LEADS

BIRMINGHAM AND MEMPHIS

Will display photographs of MARVIN RAYMOND DEWEESE to pertinent individuals.

No further action is being taken in connection with MARVIN RAYMOND DEWEESE at this time by Norfolk.

Copies of the interview logs and "Advice of Rights" being maintained in Norfolk file.

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Date: 4/18/68

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

TO : SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)

FROM : SAC, PORTLAND (157-380) (P)

SUBJECT: MURKIN

RE: Suspect CHESTER J. LIS,
First Reported at Portland, Oregon

Re Portland teletype to Bureau (AM copy to Memphis), 4/12/68, and Bureau airtel to Portland and Memphis, 4/14/68, with copy of identification record of CHESTER J. LIS, ASN

In view of Army conviction for assault in 1953, and the unusual name, it appears highly probable that this is the suspect suggested by ROBERT M. HOOKER, Portland business man (protect identity).

In light of current developments, it is being left to Office of Origin, Memphis, to determine whether leads should be set out to check out LIS as a suspect. If this is desired, photos of LIS should be available from Bound Brook, New Jersey PD or SO (where he served five-month term in 1966), or from Piscataway, New Jersey PD (where he was convicted in 1967). Memphis is in possession of all information re LIS known to Portland and no further logical investigation Portland Division re LIS.

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Take whatever action regarding LIS deemed now appropriate.

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To: SAC, Portland (157-380)

From: Director, FBI (44-38861)

MURKIN

RePortland 4-12-68.

Remaining unidentified latent fingerprints and latent impressions this case not identical fingerprints CHESTER J. LEE, white male, born [redacted] at Manville, New Jersey, U.S. Army service # [redacted], FBI #407 535 B, who maybe same as Chester J. Lee named in retel. Fingerprinted 6-26-67 by Police Department, Piscataway, New Jersey, their #2994, listed address as 301 Penfield Place, Dunellen, New Jersey. No palm prints here for Lee.

Copy of the identification record of Lee is enclosed.

ENCLOSURE

2 - Memphis (44-1987)

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TELETYPE

TO: DIRECTOR (44-38861)
FROM: SAC, PORTLAND (157-380)

MURKIN.

RE SUSPECT CHESTER J. LIS.

ROBERT M. HOOKER (^DPROTECT IDENTITY), PORTLAND BUSINESSMAN, SUGGESTS CHESTER J. LIS ^PAS SUSPECT BECAUSE HE RESEMBLES ARTIST'S CONCEPTION PRINTED IN LOCAL NEWSPAPER. HOOKER KNEW LIS IN THE ARMY IN KOREA IN NINETEEN FIFTYTHREE. LIS, WHO WAS THEN PSYCHOTIC AND HAD AN EXTREME HATRED OF NEGROES WENT BERSERK IN KOREA AND IN THE SUMMER OF NINETEEN FIFTYTHREE WAS COURT-MARTIALED AND SENTENCED TO TWENTY YEARS IMPRISONMENT IN LEAVENWORTH PENITENTIARY. HE IS BELIEVED TO NOW BE AT LARGE, BUT HOOKER HAS HAD NO CONTACT WITH HIM SINCE NINETEEN FIFTYTHREE. LIS WAS FROM THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY. HOOKER IS NOT POSITIVE ABOUT THE MIDDLE INITIAL "J".

LIS DESCRIBED IN NINETEEN FIFTYTHREE AS WM, AGE APPROXIMATELY TWENTYSIX YEARS, FIVE FEET TEN INCHES TO SIX FEET, LIGHT COMPLEXION, SANDY-BROWN HAIR, ONE HUNDRED SIXTY TO ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY POUNDS, WIRY BUILD. HOOKER HAS NO OTHER INFORMATION CONCERNING LIS.

1 - Memphis (44-1987) (AM) (RM)
1 - Portland (157-380)
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REQUEST OF BUREAU. CHECK FBI IDENTIFICATION RECORD FOR RECORD
AND BACKGROUND OF CHESTER J. LIS AND ^{Advise so that} ~~SEND~~ APPROPRIATE LEADS *can be set out.*
MEMPHIS ADVISED BY AIRMAIL COPY.

FBI

Date: April 12, 1968

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plaintext or code)Via A I R T E L _____
(Priority)

TO: SAC, MEMPHIS

FROM: SAC, NEW HAVEN (157-818) (P)

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Enclosed for Memphis is one centerfold photograph from the book "The Committee" which contains photograph of ROBERT SHELTON and unknown white male. Also enclosed for Memphis is one copy of an artist's sketch of UNSUB as it appeared in April 11, 1968, issue of "New York Times".

On April 11, 1968, Mrs. WILLIAM SHENTON, Editor, The History Book Club Review, Stamford, Connecticut, advised she had located a photograph of an individual who closely resembles an artist's sketch of UNSUB which appeared on page 35 of the April 11 issue of the "New York Times."

Mrs. SHENTON advised the photograph appears in a recently published book, "The Committee" which was published by Farrar, Straus, and Giroux, 19 Union Square West, New York, N.Y., on March 25, 1968. Photograph is of unknown individual standing behind ROBERT SHELTON, head of the Ku Klux Klan, as SHELTON dressed for a Klan rally in South Carolina in 1965.

Mrs. SHENTON advised the original of the above photograph is in the possession of Wide World Photos, Inc., (Associated Press) 50 Rockefeller Plaza, New York, N.Y., 10020.

An information copy is being provided for New York in the event further investigation is requested by Memphis.

Inasmuch as the New Haven Office is unaware of the extent of investigation being conducted by Memphis, the above is submitted for whatever action is deemed appropriate by Memphis.

2- MEMPHIS (enc. 2)
1- NEW YORK (info)
2- NEW HAVEN (157-818)
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Approved: *[Signature]* Sent _____ M Per _____
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(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM: SAC, JACKSON (157-9586)

MURKIN
(00: Memphis)

Re Jackson telephone calls this date to
the Bureau, Atlanta, and Memphis.

Enclosed for Memphis, the office of origin,
are twenty copies of an FD-302 with one copy each to
the Bureau and designated offices, with the exception
of two to New York.

REGGIE SMITH, Columbia Broadcasting System
(CBS) cameraman, has furnished reliable information to
the Jackson Office on several occasions over the past
years.

LEADS:NEW YORKAT NEW YORK, NEW YORK

- 3 - Bureau (Enc.1)
- ② - Memphis (Enc.20) *WJR*
- 1 - Birmingham (Enc.1)
- 1 - Atlanta (Enc.1)
- 1 - Los Angeles (Enc.1)
- 2 - New York (Enc.2)
- 2 - Jackson (157-9586)

Approved: JOI/bjk (12)
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Will contact CBS Officials, News Department,
and review a sixteen millimeter sound film recorded
by CBS cameraman REGGIE SMITH at Atlanta, Georgia,
4/6/68.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 4/12/68

REGGIE SMITH, cameraman, Columbia Broadcasting System (CBS), Atlanta, Georgia, telephonically contacted SA JAMES O. INGRAM on April 12, 1968. He stated he had just arrived in Atlanta upon instructions issued by officials of CBS. The news media is presently carrying headlines indicating that ERIC STARVO GALT is a prime suspect in the murder of Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. at Memphis, Tennessee. A white Mustang registered to GALT was found in Atlanta, on April 11, 1968, abandoned. Through news media, SMITH has obtained description of GALT and believes he has information which could be of value to the FBI. He furnished the following information:

On Saturday, April 6, 1968, he and his soundman, LEROY COLLINS, traveled to Spelman College, Atlanta, Georgia, to film persons viewing the body of Dr. KING, or incidents. The first roll of film that he shot was of a group of about ten people. There was one lone white male who viewed the body in this first group and he and his soundman, COLLINS, noticed the unknown male pass by the coffin and smile. He appeared to laugh, looked around to see if anyone was observing him, and he left "with a smile on his face." SMITH did not consider the incident of any value at that time, until he reviewed the information on GALT and GALT's description.

He described the unknown subject who viewed the body of KING as a white male, in his early thirties, 5' 10" to 5' 11", weight 160 - 170 pounds, dark hair, and was wearing a light-colored suit. SMITH suggested that the FBI may desire to review his first can of sixteen

On 4/12/68 at Jackson, Mississippi File # Jackson 157-9586
by SA JAMES O. INGRAM/bjk Date dictated 4/12/68

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millimeter sound film which is presently stored at CBS Headquarters, New York, New York. He identified the film as the only white male on the first roll of film and feels he has a good photograph of him. SMITH stated he would contact SA INGRAM later and advise where he could be reached, if needed, in the future.

At 12:32 P.M., April 12, 1968, SMITH telephonically advised from Atlanta that he was residing at the Roswell Road Apartments, Atlanta, telephone number 252-3428, and could always be reached through CBS Headquarters, Atlanta 873-3195.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

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

MURKIN - CR

Re Birmingham teletype, 4/10/67, re 1966 Mustang.

DMV of District of Columbia negative re registration of car in Birmingham teletype.

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- 3 - Bureau
- ② - Memphis (44-1987)
- 2 - Birmingham (44-1740)
- 2 - Atlanta
- 1 - WFO

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To: SAC, Jackson (157-9586)

From: Director, FBI (44-38861)

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ReJNtel 4-11-68.

Latent fingerprints and latent impression, which maybe
a finger or palm print, not identical fingerprints BILLY RAY WHITE,
FBI #990 395 D. No palm prints here for White.

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1 - Birmingham (44-1740)

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Employee _____

RECHARGE Date _____

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Employee	Date charged

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TELETYPE

URGENT

TO: DIRECTOR, BIRMINGHAM

FROM: JACKSON (157-9586)

MURKIN.

BILLY RAY WHITE FUGITIVE; UFAP - MURDER,

OO: ALBUQUERQUE.

PLACE AND DATE OF BIRTH

JASPER COUNTY, HEIGHT FIVE FEET ELEVEN INCHES, WEIGHT ONE HUNDRED FORTY SEVEN, EYES BLUE, HAIR BROWN, SEX MALE, RACE WHITE, PRESENTLY WANTED ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO, FOR ARMED ROBBERY OF PUEBLO LOAN COMPANY AND AS PERSON BEING RESPONSIBLE FOR DOUBLE HOMICIDE BERNALILLO COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

WHITE KNOWN TO BE EXTENSIVE TRAVELER HAVING LIVED IN OKLAHOMA CITY, PHOENIX, ARIZONA, AND THOUGHT TO HAVE AT LEAST VISITED ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI, AS WELL AS HAVING LIVED IN STATE OF MISSISSIPPI AND POSSIBLY STATE OF ALABAMA.

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ON NOVEMBER EIGHTEEN, SIXTY SEVEN WHEN SUBJECT OBSERVED LEAVING SCENE OF DOUBLE MURDER WAS OBSERVED IN LIGHT COLORED COMPACT AUTOMOBILE.

BUREAU REQUESTED TO COMPARE FINGERPRINTS OF BILLY RAY WHITE, FBI NUMBER [REDACTED] WITH ANY LATENTS SUBMITTED IN CAPTIONED MATTER.

BIRMINGHAM REQUESTED TO EXHIBIT PHOTOGRAPH OF WHITE UNDER BIRMINGHAM FILE NUMBER EIGHT SEVEN DASH SEVEN ZERO TWO SIX THROUGH LOGICAL WITNESSES TO ELIMINATE WHITE AS SUSPECT CAPTIONED MATTER. *Armed & Dangerous*
AIR MAIL COPY SENT MEMPHIS.

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To: SAC, New Haven (157-818) 1 Encl.

From: Director, FBI (44-38861)

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Reurairtel 4-11-68.

The twenty six latent fingerprints and the latent impression remaining unidentified in this case are not identical with the submitted fingerprints of Alfred Curt Speerl, which are enclosed. No Palm prints here for Speerl for comparison with latent palm prints also previously reported.

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2- SAC, Memphis (44-1987)

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Via A I R T E L _____
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
Attention: Identification Division

FROM: SAC, NEW HAVEN (157-818) P

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re New Haven teletype, 4/8/68.

Enclosed for the Bureau is a copy of finger-
prints obtained from ALFRED CURT SPOERL, 129 Oldfield Rd.,
Trumbull, Conn.

Referenced teletype advised results of inter-
view with SPOERL. The following is a description of SPOERL:

Race: White
Sex: Male
DOB:
POB: Shelton, Conn.
Height: 6'2"
Weight: 190 lbs.
Hair: Blond
Eyes: Brown
Address: 129 Oldfield Rd., Trumbull, Conn.
Employment: National Distributions Manager, U.S. Electrical
Motors, Division of Emerson Electric Co., Old
Gate Lane, Milford, Conn.

WILBUR F. HOEHING, Manager, National Materials
Management, U.S. Electrical Motors, Division of Emerson Electrical
Co., Old Gate Lane, Milford, Conn., advised on 4/8/68, that he

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and SPOERL on 4/4/68, were in Philadelphia, Mississippi for a meeting with the Management Officers of the Philadelphia, Mississippi plant of U.S. Electrical Motors.

He further advised he and SPOERL departed Philadelphia 4/4/68, at approximately 4 p.m. and drove to Memphis, Tenn. by car, arriving approximately 7:10 p.m. He stated that the car in which they were riding was a 1967 Dodge, white in color, and rented by SPOERL at the Avis Rent-A-Car in Memphis, Tenn., on 4/1/68.

On the latter date SPOERL was in the process of establishing a site for a warehouse in Memphis. After that date, he and SPOERL met in Jackson, Mississippi, on 4/3/68, for the meeting in Philadelphia described above.

When he and SPOERL arrived in Memphis on 4/4/68, they learned of the situation re captioned matter. From Memphis, HOEHING was to take a plane to St. Louis after he and SPOERL had dinner. SPOERL was to stay over night at the Holiday Inn, South, Memphis, for a meeting 4/5/68 re the establishment of a warehouse.

After learning of the situation, SPOERL decided that the meeting on 4/5/68 could not be arranged and attempted to obtain an airplane ticket to New York or Hartford, Conn. Unable to do this, he decided to join HOEHING on the plane for St. Louis, who's ultimate destination was Chicago, Illinois.

He further advised that he did not think SPOERL could be involved in captioned matter and hadn't made out-of-the-way comments re same. He stated that he and SPOERL were together all of the time spent in Memphis except for approximately 10 or 15 minutes when SPOERL was still trying to keep the appointment on 4/5/68. This separation was about 9:30 p.m. He was re-joined by SPOERL and the plane left at approximately 10 p.m., 4/4/68, for Chicago. No further investigation being conducted re SPOERL by New Haven as it does not appear he is identical with suspects in captioned matter.

FD-302s made re interviews with SPOERL and HOEHING.

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**The Bureau is requested to compare these prints
with those obtained in captioned matter and retain in
identification files.**

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air mail special delivery

TO: SAC, CHICAGO (44-1114)
FROM: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
RE: MURKIN

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**Re CG airtel 4-11-68 submitting fingerprints of MAYSON
ROBERT THOMPSON and ERNEST E. SMITH.**

Remaining unidentified latent fingerprints and the latent impression in this case are not identical with the fingerprints of THOMPSON or SMITH.

Prints of THOMPSON and SMITH are enclosed.

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1-SAC, Memphis (44-1987)

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AIRTEL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
ATTN: IDENTIFICATION DIVISION

FROM: SAC, CHICAGO (44-1114)

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Director teletype to Chicago dated 4/9/68.

RE: ERNEST R. SENEY

44-1987-19282 E-321
Enclosed for the Bureau is one set of fingerprints of ERNEST R. SENEY which are requested to be compared with unknown latents. It is requested that this examination be expedited and that the original fingerprints be returned to Chicago.

RE HAYDEN EUGENE THOMPSON

THOMPSON has been offered as a suspect in instant matter. A fingerprint card for him is also enclosed which is requested the prints be compared with latents in instant matter. This card should be also returned to the Chicago Division.

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841 Federal Office Building
Memphis, Tennessee 38103
April 22, 1968

Mrs. Ivan G. Szanto ✓
26 So. Cliffe Drive
Wilmington, Delaware 19809

Dear Mrs. Szanto:

This will acknowledge
receipt of your letter of April 10,
1968.

Your cooperation is
appreciated and your suggestion will
be considered.

Very truly yours,

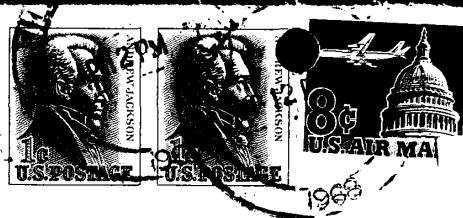
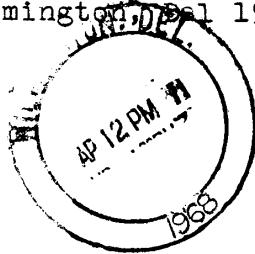
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Special Agent in Charge

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Martin Luther King Investigation
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Dear Inspector:

As a person with medical experience in psychiatric clinics, I am writing to suggest you examine the statements of the ~~Mr. -9- Q. Stevens~~ who was interviewed on TV concerning the death of Martin Luther King. My impression was that this was a man who was very ill emotionally.

Specifically I would point to his description of the killer as having a receding hairline when he himself most prominently fitted this description. Also ~~his~~ statement describing the suit of the fleeing killer as "coal Black" possessed far too much emotion for him to be describing a suit, and seemed to indicate his own hatred of the Negroes.

I feel it is urgent to give you this humble opinion since Dr. King's killer is not identified yet, and since this man could well represent the classic pathological killer. I hope this suggestion will receive considered attention.

(On the other hand, if your leads are definite regarding another suspect, I regret any delay I may have caused.)

Very truly yours,

Mrs. Ivan G. Szanto
Mrs. Ivan G. Szanto

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Attached is copy of NY airtel to New Haven dated 4/9/68, no copy to Memphis.

New Haven lead has been covered per New Haven teletype to Bureau, Memphis + New York 4/10/68

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John F. Malone

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Office New York

4/9/68

AIRTEL

TO: SAC, NEW HAVEN

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (44-1609)

SUBJECT: MURKIN
(OO:ME)

Dr. FRANCIS X. WALSH, Intern, Greenwich Hospital, Greenwich, Connecticut, advised that a GEORGE WALSH had been admitted to Greenwich Hospital, on 4/5/68, and appeared to be psychotic. GEORGE WALSH claimed to have been employed by Weeburn Country Club in Darien, Connecticut, and worked with his friend, PAT KISSARN. Dr. WALSH advised Weeburn Country Club disclaimed any knowledge of GEORGE WALSH or KISSARN. Dr. GILBERT ROWAN also of Greenwich Hospital and other members of professional staff, ascertain that composite drawing of assassin of Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING strongly resembled GEORGE WALSH.

GEORGE WALSH has presently been admitted to the Newtown Psychiatric Hospital of Newtown, Connecticut.

LEAD:

NEW HAVEN

AT NEWTOWN, CONNECTICUT. Will interview GEORGE WALSH, obtain photo and advise ME.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, MEMPHIS (157-1067)

FROM : SA WILLIAM H. LAWRENCE

SUBJECT: INVADERS
RM

DATE: 3/6/69

On 2/7/69, ME 338-R advised that the petty cash treasurer of the Invaders, an elderly Negro man, about 55 years of age, white headed, named JAMES PEGUES, has a 1964 or 1965 blue Pontiac, four-door sedan, bearing license BK-5893, that he is the same one who was with the Invaders during the night of 11/25 and early morning of 11/26/68 when they, along with Students for a Democratic Society, took over the Administration Building of LeMoyn-Owen College, supporting a student series of demands.

Informant is trying to talk with PEGUES to determine what makes him tick and determine why an older man such as he would spend so much time with the Invaders, but thus far has been unable to get any real rapport with him.

Informant advised that a night or so before the meeting was held, probably the night of 2/5/69, the group consisting of Southern Christian Leadership Conference, Committee on Move For Equality (COME) and Invaders to plan a celebration of some sort on 4/4/69 which will be the first anniversary date of the murder of Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., at the Lorraine Motel, this meeting was held at the Minimum Salary Building, a cross section of white and black leaders were present. ROY LEE TURKS represented the Invaders, TAYLOR BLAIR, organizer of the International Brotherhood

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1 - 157-1114 (DON NEELEY)
1 - 157-1351 (MAURICE LEWIS)
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1 - 157-1714 (JOE LEE BURNS, JR., aka King Jewel)
1 - 157-1563 (CACHEATUH SMITH)
1 - 157-1258 (LANCE "SWEET WILLIE" WATSON)
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of Electrical Workers, which is trying to organize the blue collar workers at the Memphis, Light, Gas and Water Division was there.

Details have not yet been effected and it is undetermined as just what will take place on 4/4/69.

Invader CLIFFORD LOUIS TAYLOR, currently in jail on a charge of the shotgun shooting of an alleged suitor of his wife, is desperately trying to get out on bond.

Another former active Invader, DON NEELY, who is AWOL from the U. S. Army, is still working the Beale Street area. He figures he will be arrested momentarily. He has grown a beard.

Another former Invader, REUBEN WATTS and EDWARD REED TAYLOR, brother of CLIFFORD LOUIS TAYLOR, hang out on Beale Street. They have not recently engaged in any Invaders activity.

REUBEN WATTS indicated that he is writing a book although he did not elaborate.

The Memphis private investigator RENFRO TURNER HAYS who allegedly did some investigation on behalf of the first attorney of JAMES EARL RAY, indicted killer of Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., namely Attorney HAYNES of Birmingham, Alabama, may be preparing to write a book concerning his experiences in investigating the death of KING. He has been talking to BILL SARTER or SARTOR of Greenville, Mississippi, white male, who has done free-lance writing for Time magazine and Life magazine and RENFRO HAYS has gone to New York City to see about having a story published.

ROY LEE TURKS and MAURICE LEWIS, both Invaders, have recently stated that they are about to hook up with the Memphis Branch NAACP youth council and that the youth council may take them to Atlanta, Georgia, to some regional youth council meeting. Informant pointed out that TURKS and LEWIS are primarily interested in trying to "con" money from the NAACP and are not sincerely interested in the NAACP program.

Informant advised that BAXTON BRYANT, Executive Secretary of the Tennessee Council on Human Relations, a White male, red headed, has been in town. He claims that he is investigating the fact that an alleged white landlord told some white girls, living in a Negro neighborhood that they had too many Negro visitors and would have to move. Another case in which BRYANT is interested is the fact that the woman who works for the Dryfus Jewelry Company, a blond, who has been so active in interracial activities and who was with the Invaders and other groups at the Lorraine Motel during the demonstrations during the Spring of 1968, and who has a son who wears steel-rimmed glasses and who frequents the Southern Christian Leadership Conference youth choirs in Memphis, is also involved in alleged housing discrimination. This woman, whose name may be Mrs. DOCKERY (phonetic), stated that her son used to attend Messick High School, that she lives near Memphis State University in an apartment, that some of the neighbors are bring pressure on the landlord because she has so many Negro visitors at her home.

The picture of her son is depicted in the photograph of JAMES BEVEL when BEVEL held his news conference in Memphis, the night 1/23/69, at Clayborne Temple. The lad is with two Negro girls from the SCLC who were interviewing BEVEL during the time that he made his public charge that JAMES EARL RAY was not guilty of the killing of Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

JUANITA MILLER, an Invaderette, is the one who got up the money for JOHN CHARLES SMITH's bond when he was arrested 1/28/69, on the charge of disorderly conduct. She claims that she is in love with JOHN CHARLES, that she is now going to a trade school on North Cleveland, being sponsored by the Tennessee Department of Public Welfare.

Some of the Invaders sold leaflets of the Invaders at the recent DUKE ELLINGTON guest appearance with the Memphis Symphony Orchestra at the Ellis Auditorium.

JAMES NORMAN, a young Invader and JOE LEE BURNS, JR., aka KING JEWEL, both of whom are young thugs, recently broke a window out at the Blue Stallion Night Club on Beale Street and later got into a fight and broke out a window at the Invaders Headquarters, 271 Vance.

CACHEATUH SMITH, secretary of the Invaders, claims that she is now pregnant, that the father of her child to be, is LANCE SWEET WILLIE WINE WATSON, who is currently in Shelby County Jail. She claims that she is in love with WATSON. CACHEATUH SMITH still hopes to have 1,000 copies of a slick photograph, 8x10 inches in size of LANCE SWEET WILLIE WINE WATSON taken with a clinched raised fist which the Invaders will sell in an effort to make his peace bond. They will sell these photographs for \$1. She has made a \$50 deposit, still owes approximately \$72 and cannot get the pictures until the \$72 is paid.

MICHAEL MOUNTAIN, who spends considerable time with the Invaders and who recently indicated that he was through with the Invaders, but reversed his field when he marched with them during the 1/23/69 National Council of Churches MARTIN LUTHER KING Memorial March. He stated that he is going to St. Louis to live. He did not elaborate.

The information set forth herein has been disseminated to the Intelligence Bureau, Memphis, Tennessee, PD.

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FBI NEW YORK

1:47 URGENT 4-14-68 JFA

TO MEMPHIS 44-1987

FROM NEW YORK 44-1609 2P

MURKIN; CIVIL RIGHTS; OFFICE OF ORIGIN MEMPHIS.

REFERENCE YOUR TELETYPE APRIL ONE THREE LAST.

JOSEPH LOUW, NEW YORK CITY, INTERVIEWED AND ADVISED HE TOOK NINE ZERO TO ONE ZERO ZERO PHOTOGRAPHS AT MEMPHIS ON DATE OF ASSASSINATION. SEVERAL OF THESE PHOTOGRAPHS APPEAR IN APRIL ONE TWO, SIXTY-EIGHT ISSUE LIFE MAGAZINE. HE FURTHER STATED THAT HE DEVELOPED FILM AT PHOTOGRAPHY SHOP OF ERNEST WITHERS, BEALE STREET, MEMPHIS. WHEN HE ENTERED SHOP APPROXIMATELY ONE HOUR AFTER ASSASSINATION, WITHERS WAS ON TELEPHONE TO EITHER POLICE OR FBI ADVISING THEM THAT ONE RAYMOND ALEXANDER (PHONETIC) HAD BEEN IN HIS SHOP ON DATE OF ASSASSINATION, FOR APPROXIMATELY TWO HOURS.

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On 4-16-68 Withers advised SA Wm H. Lawrence that this was not Raymond Alexander Bush. Ref. Turner Hayes. This info incorporated in memo Night of 4-14-68 - & checked out by SA Bush & Inspector N E Zachary - Home idc memph. PD

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WITHERS CONSIDERED ALEXANDER TO BE A SEGREGATIONIST
AND A SCHIZOPHRENIC. MEMPHIS INTERVIEW WITHERS RE
LOCATION ALEXANDER AND ANY INFORMATION CONCERNING
ASSASSINATION.

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1:44PM 4-14-68 URGENT LDG

TO MEMPHIS

FROM JACKSON (157-9586)

MURKIN.

ROBERT EARL DAVIS, ONE ZERO ONE MC LAURIN DRIVE, OXFORD, MISS., HAS ADVISED THAT ON THE MORNING OF FOUR EIGHT LAST HE OBSERVED AN UNKNOWN WHITE MALE AT THE OXFORD AIRPORT AND BELIEVES THIS PERSON ARRIVED ON A FLIGHT FROM MEMPHIS. STATES HE HAD CONVERSATION WITH THIS PERSON, WHO CLAIMED TO BE AN EASTERN AIRLINE PILOT WHO FLIES DC-8 CRAFT. ALSO RECALLS THIS PERSON CALLED SOMEONE IN TUPELO, MISS. AND THEREAFTER WAS PICKED-UP BY A WHITE MALE DRIVING A WHITE BUICK.

DAVIS STATES THE UNKNOWN PERSON AT THE AIRPORT WAS CARRYING A BLUE FLIGHT BAG WITH A NAME STENCILED ON SIDE. DAVIS BELIEVES HE RECALLS THE NAME "GALT OR GOLT" ON THE BAG. DAVIS DESCRIBES THIS PERSON AS THIRTYTWO, SIX FEET, ONE EIGHTY, BROWN HAIR, SHORT AND WAVY WITH RECEDING HAIR LINE, WELL-DRESSED AND WEARING BROWN SUIT.

DAVIS ADVISED HE HOLDS PILOT'S LICENSE AND DURING CONVERSATION WITH UNKNOWN PERSON HE FORMED HIS OWN OPINION THAT THIS PERSON WAS NOT A PILOT AS HE CLAIMED SINCE HE HAD LITTLE KNOWLEDGE OF FLIGHT.

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DAVIS ADVISED COMPOSITE DRAWING OF THE SUBJECT IN THIS MATTER COMPARES FAVORABLY WITH THE PERSON HE OBSERVED AT THE AIRPORT.

MARVIN WATSON, SOUTHERN AIRLINES, OXFORD, MISS., ADVISED TODAY THAT ONLY ONE PASSENGER ARRIVED AM OXFORD FOUR EIGHT LAST ON FLIGHT SEVEN EIGHT ONE FROM MEMPHIS AND NAME NOT AVAILABLE OXFORD. STATES THIS PASSENGER HAD TWO BAGS LISTED.

MEMPHIS DETERMINE IDENTITY OF PASSENGER ON SOUTHERN FLIGHT SEVEN EIGHT ONE WHICH DEPARTED MEMPHIS TEN TEN AM AND ARRIVED OXFORD TEN THIRTYTHREE AND WILL CONDUCT NECESSARY INVESTIGATION IN EFFORT TO ELIMINATE THIS PERSON AS SUSPECT.

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Date: 4/22/68

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TO: DIRECTOR

FROM: MEMPHIS (44-1987)

MURKIN.

REBUTEL ONE TWENTYNINE PM, APRIL FOURTEEN, SIXTYEIGHT.

REBUTEL FURNISHED INFORMATION INDICATING THAT ELENA CORTEZ AT PUERTO VALLARTA FURNISHED DATA RE A WHITE MAN AND WOMAN IN SIXTYTHREE WHITE CORVAIR, TENNESSEE LICENSE J H SEVEN FIVE FIVE SEVEN. MEMPHIS TO CHECK LICENSE AND BACKGROUND FOR POSSIBLE SIGNIFICANCE.

RECORDS RE TENNESSEE LICENSE J H SEVEN FIVE FIVE SEVEN CHECKED THROUGH DAVIDSON ~~COUNTY~~ AND STATE AGENCIES AT NASHVILLE, INDICATING NO RECORD IN NINETEEN SIXTYSEVEN OR NINETEEN SIXTYEIGHT FOR REGISTRATION IN DAVIDSON COUNTY. PREFIX JH IS ASSIGNED TO DAVIDSON COUNTY. EFFORTS LOCATE LICENSE IN OTHER COUNTIES FOR SIXTYSEVEN AND SIXTYEIGHT ALSO NEGATIVE.

RECORDS PERTAINING TO SIXTYSIX REGISTRATION SHOWED THAT ON JANUARY SIXTEEN, SIXTYSEVEN, , A NINETEEN SIXTYONE CHEVROLET CORVAIR FOUR DOOR PURCHASED AND TENNESSEE LICENSE JH SEVEN FIVE FIVE SEVEN ISSUED TO A. A. COLEBROOK, OSBURN ROAD, HARRINGTON, TENN.

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BUREAU REQUESTED FURNISH INFORMATION TO LEGAT FOR ASSISTANCE IN CONDUCTING INVESTIGATION THERE.

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TO DIRECTOR

FROM MEMPHIS 44-1987

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC (44-1987-Sub E)

DATE: 4/22/68

FROM : SA LEONE J. FLOSI

SUBJECT: MURKIN

ReButel to ME 4/14/68 (Serial 316 captioned file)
and re memo of SA WALTER W. DUNKLING dated 4/17/68.

On 4/17/68 Miss REBECCA FORD, Credit Bureau of Nashville, Tenn., advised her office records reflect that AMSELL A. COLEBROOK, wife GEORGIA, resides at Osborn Road, Arrington, Tenn. His employment is listed as A. A. Alexander Inc., Brentwood, Tenn., a real estate firm. She stated that in 1960 COLEBROOK's employment was listed as Colebrook and Associates, and in November 1962, COLEBROOK went through bankruptcy proceedings owing \$45,268.09. She said this was subsequently cleared. She stated an inquiry concerning COLEBROOK was made on 4/11/68 by the First American National Bank, Nashville. Her records indicate COLEBROOK was from 26 to 28 years of age in 1947.

On 4/17/68 Miss SARA GILMORE, First American National Bank, advised that A. A. COLEBROOK telephoned the bank on 4/10/68 and required regarding a home improvement loan in the amount of \$5,000. She stated her records list COLEBROOK's address as Osborn Road, Arrington, Tenn.

On 4/17/68 Mrs. A. A. COLEBROOK, Osborn Road, Arrington, Tenn., advised her husband is in the real estate business and is 43 years of age. She stated that in 1966 her husband purchased a 1961 Corvair which he then drove to Mexico. He decided not to bring this automobile back to the United States and made arrangements to leave it in Mexico. She stated her husband has not been in Mexico since January 1967, and she has no idea who would be driving the Corvair at this time.

On 4/17/68 Mr. AMSELL A. COLEBROOK was interviewed at the China Mart, Nolensville Road, Nashville. He advised he has not been in Mexico since early 1967 and explained that

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in 1966 he purchased an old beat-up Corvair for \$150. He proceeded to drive this automobile to Mexico. He decided not to drive the car home on his return trip and attempted to sell it in Mexico but could not do so. He spoke with a Mr. SANTOS at the American Embassy in Mexico City, Mexico, and was advised that he would have to get permission to have the car impounded by the Mexican Government. According to COLEBROOK, the car was impounded by the Mexican Government and was left in a Government pound in the outskirts of Guadalajara, Mexico.

Mr. COLEBROOK concluded that his Tennessee license plates remained on the car, and he has no idea who could be driving the car at this time.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987) -P-
(Sub E, serial 316)

DATE: 4/17/68

FROM : SA Walter W. Dunkling

SUBJECT: MURKIN

re: Memphis telephone call to Nashville 4/16/68.

Records pertaining to Tennessee license JH 7557 were checked through the Davidson County and State agencies with the following results:

Efforts to identify the above license as having been registered in Davidson County in 1967 or 1968 were negative even though the prefix "JH" is assigned to Davidson County. Efforts to locate the license in other counties for 1967 and 1968 also were negative. Mrs Eva Whitfield explained that the license was not confidential, but in all likelihood the license was miss filed or lost or the decal had not been renewed.

Records pertaining to 1966 registrations disclosed that on 1/16/67 a 1961 Chev. Corvair 4 door was purchased in Davidson County (or the decal was purchased in Davidson Cty.) and as a result Tennessee license JH 7557 was issued to :

A.A. COLEBROOK
Osburn Road
Arrington, Tenn.

Officials of the above agencies advised they will continue efforts to further trace the above license.

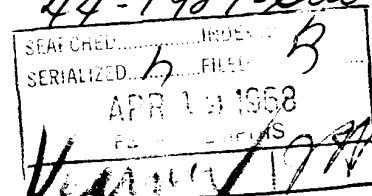
A check of office indices at Memphis regarding the name A.A. Colebrook was negative.

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129 PM URGENT 4-14-68 JMS

TO MEMPHIS 44-1987

FROM DIRECTOR 44-38861 1P

MURKIN.

LEGAT MEXICO CITY ADVISES THAT A SOURCE INFORMED THAT ELENA CORTEZ, OWNER OF FOUR WINDS HOTEL, PUERTO VALLARTA, JALISCO, ADVISED AS FOLLOWS:

AT ABOUT TWO THIRTY A.M., APRIL TEN LAST, A MEXICAN MALE RANG HER DOORBELL SEEKING ROOMS FOR WHITE MAN AND WOMAN, NOT FURTHER DESCRIBED, WHO WERE IN CAR OUTSIDE OF HOTEL. CAR DESCRIBED BY CORTEZ AS ABOUT NINETEEN SIXTY-THREE WHITE CORVAIR WITH TENNESSEE LICENSE J H SEVEN FIVE FIVE SEVEN. SHE COULD NOT GIVE THEM ROOMS AND THEY LEFT. THIS IS PRIOR BASIS FOR ALLEGATION INDICATING GALT ALLEGEDLY IN PUERTO VALLARTA, JALISCO.

MEMPHIS CHECK LICENSE AND BACKGROUND OF REGISTERED OWNER FOR ANY POSSIBLE SIGNIFICANCE IN THIS CASE. LEGAT MEXICO CITY PURSUING INVESTIGATION IN PUERTO VALLARTA, JALISCO. UNSUB ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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RE ALBANY TELETYPE TO BUREAU, FOUR FIFTEEN INSTANT.
ON THIS DATE RICHARD J. BRAND, JR., ONE ZERO SEVEN
DASH THIRTEEN ONE HUNDRED TWENTY FIFTH STREET, QUEENS, NEW
YORK, ADVISED HE HAS BEEN AT HIS RESIDENCE ENTIRE WEEKEND
OF FOUR THIRTEEN DASH FOURTEEN SIXTY ^{EIGHT} SEVEN AND HAS HAD
POSSESSION OF HIS VEHICLE, NINETEEN SIXTY FOUR GRAY CHRYSLER
NEWPORT BEARING NEW YORK LICENSE QA TWO FIVE FIVE NINE. ⁰
THIS VEHICLE WAS OBSERVED BY BUREAU AGENTS IN FRONT OF HIS
HOUSE.

BRAND DESCRIBED AS WHITE MALE, DATE OF BIRTH
[REDACTED] FIVE FEET SIX INCHES, ONE HUNDRED
EIGHTY POUNDS, HAIR BROWN, BALDING, HEAVY MUSTACHE, WEARING
GLASSES.

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