

FBI MEMPHIS

FBI DALLAS

209PM URGENT 4-23-68 LMB

TO MEMPHIS (44-1987) AND OKLAHOMA CITY, LITTLE ROCK
FROM DALLAS (44-2643) 2P

MURKIN.

44-1987-Sub E-608
BRYAN CLARK, OFFICE MANAGER, NATS, DALLAS, TODAY, ADVISED
ONE JAMES RAY, WHITE MALE, THIRTY-EIGHT, IS SUSPECTED BY JESSE
HENRY HACKNEY, FBI NUMBER ONE FOUR FIVE NINE THREE SIX SIX, OF
STEALING HIS ONE NINE SIX SEVEN CHEVROLET, VIN ONE THREE EIGHT ONE
SEVEN SEVEN K ONE NINE EIGHT SEVEN SEVEN THREE, ONE NINE SIX SEVEN
OKLAHOMA LICENSE XP FIVE FIVE THREE FIVE, WHILE HACKNEY LIVING ONE
ZERO ZERO TWO YAUPON STREET, PASADENA, TEXAS. CLARK STATES CAR
RECOVERED APRIL TEN LAST, NORTH LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS, IN POSSESSION
OF MRS. VANDERPOOL, THREE TWO ONE PIKE AVENUE, WHO CLAIMED SHE
PURCHASED VEHICLE DEC. TWENTYTWO, ONE NINE SIX SEVEN, FROM J. H.
HACKNEY, WHITE MALE, THIRTY SIX TO THIRTYEIGHT, SIX FEET, ONE EIGHT
ZERO POUNDS, RED TO BLONDE CREW CUT. VEHICLE WHEN RECOVERED BORE
ONE NINE SIX EIGHT ARKANSAS LICENSE A D 3 TWO EIGHT FIVE. CLARK
STATES HACKNEY LIVING ONE FIVE TWO FIVE SOUTHWEST THIRTY-FIFTH
STREET, OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA, AS OF FEB. TWENTY LAST. INFORMATION
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FURNISHED BY CLARK ONLY BECAUSE OF SIMILARITY OF NAME OF SUSPECT TO
SUBJECT CAPTIONED CASE.

OKLAHOMA CITY LOCATE HACKNEY AND SHOW PHOTOGRAPHS OF JAMES EARL
RAY TO DETERMINE IF IDENTICAL PERSON SUSPECTED BY HIM IN THEFT OF
CAR.

LITTLE ROCK ADVISED AIRMAIL.

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4/22/68

AIR TEL

TO : SAC, JACKSONVILLE
FROM : SAC, NEWARK (44-854)
SUBJECT: MURKIN

RE: SUSPECT EDWARD C. TREICH

Re: Jacksonville teletype to Newark, 4/19/68

Referenced teletype advised that a PCI in Mayport, Florida, had contact with an individual who identified himself as EDWARD C. TREICH, 111 Cherry Lane, Basking Ridge, N. J. A New Jersey driver's license [redacted] was among other items furnished for identification.

A check with the Motor Vehicle Agency, Trenton, N.J., on 4/19/68, determined that this New Jersey license was issued to EDWARD C. TREICH, 111 Cherry Lane, Basking Ridge, N. J. He was further described as DOB [redacted], Jersey City, N.J., 5'9", eyes brown, weight between 161 - 180 lbs., employment self-employed.

SA FRANCIS J. LUCKY determined from the Basking Ridge Police Department that EDWARD C. TREICH is a prominent individual in their community and that he was currently on a vacation in Florida.

No further investigation is being conducted concerning this suspect.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

2-Jacksonville
1-Memphis (Info.)
2-Newark
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Airtel

To: SAC, Knoxville

From: Director, FBI (44-38861)

MURKIN

Re suspect Curtis Neely.

Enclosed are two copies of a letter received by the Department of Justice dated 4/11/68 from Edward D. Graybeal. One copy is enclosed for Memphis.

Knoxville should immediately interview Graybeal for any additional information he has and establish the identity of Curtis Neely to eliminate or include him as a suspect in this matter.

Enclosures (2)

① - Memphis (Enclosure)

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AIRTEL

AIR MAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM: SAC, KNOXVILLE (44-696)

MURKIN
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Re Bureau airtel to Knoxville April 22, 1968,
Bureau letter to Atlanta, May 2, 1963 entitled "UNKNOWN
SUBJECTS; JERRY L. MABRY, Jr. - VICTIM; CR" and Knoxville
airtel to Bureau dated April 6, 1966 entitled "UNKNOWN
SUBJECTS; OFFICERS, HAMILTON COUNTY, TENNESSEE AND CATOOSA
COUNTY, GA. SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENTS; JERRY LEON MABRY -
VICTIM; CR".

RE: JERRY LEON MABRY, Jr. -
COMPLAINANT

The referenced Civil Rights cases of 1963 and 1966
concerns allegations of JERRY LEON MABRY, Jr. to the effect
his rights were violated in his being removed from Tennessee
to Georgia for commitment to the Georgia State Hospital,
Milledgeville, Ga., a mental institution, without the benefit
of removal hearing.

On May 8, 1963, BOB ROLLINS, Ordinary, Catoosa
County, Ringgold, Georgia, advised MABRY had been committed
to the Georgia State Hospital almost a year previously, but
had been released to his mother and stepfather, Mr. and
Mrs. BEN BRIGHT, Ringgold, Ga. BEN BRIGHT on May 8, 1963,
informed that his stepson, MABRY, was in need of psychiatric
treatment.

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At the time of the complaint in 1966, JERRY LEON MABRY, Jr. informed Agents he had been in a mental institution several times in the past and has received shock treatments. He described his mental condition as "Schizophrenic Reaction Chronic of Undifferentiated Type".

During 1967 and 1968, JERRY LEON MABRY, Jr. has appeared at the Chattanooga Resident Agency on numerous occasions. His speech was very incoherent and almost on each occasion left some type of "junk mail".

An acquaintance of MABRY, JOHN L. BOND, Jr., a local businessman on April 15, 1968, advised MABRY is mentally incompetent and he, BOND, is presently in the process of attempting to have him re-committed to a mental institution.

In view of the above, no effort is being made to locate and interview MABRY, UACB.

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4/22/68

Airtel

To: SAC, Knoxville

From: Director, FBI (44-38861)

MURKIN

Re Jerry Leon Mabry, Jr. - Complainant.

Enclosed are two copies of a communication from Mabry dated 4/20/68. One copy is enclosed for Memphis.

Knoxville should immediately attempt to locate Mabry to obtain pertinent information regarding the unidentified individual he reportedly observed at Chattanooga, Tennessee.

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AIRTEL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
FROM: SAC, PHILADELPHIA (44-1368)
SUBJECT: MURKIN

Sub E-604

Re Bureau airtel 4/22/68 to Philadelphia.

On 4/25/68 SAs NED W. NERSMAN and MICHAEL B. DAVIS contacted ARIEL TINSLEY regarding her letter to MR. HOOVER.

MISS TINSLEY said she saw the referenced individual only one time, at which time she was walking home on Cobbs Creek Parkway behind the individual she believed to be GALT. She said she only saw that he had a full face and was in work clothes. This was on April 5, 1968, the day after the murder.

She has not seen this individual since and could not identify the photo of JAMES EARL RAY as being identical to the individual she saw. MISS TINSLEY could furnish no further information of value on the individual.

Information copy being furnished Memphis.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

- 2 - Bureau (44-38861) (RM)
- 1 - Memphis (Info) (RM)
- 1 - Philadelphia (44-1368)

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4/12/68

Airtel

To: SAC, Philadelphia

From: Director, FBI (44-38861)

MURKIN

Re Ariel Tinsley - Complainant.

Enclosed are two copies of a letter from the complainant dated 4/12/68 at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. One copy is enclosed for Memphis.

You should immediately attempt to locate and interview the complainant in an effort to establish pertinent information regarding the individual she saw whom she believes to be identical with the subject.

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Date: 4/19/68

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

TO: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)
FROM: SAC, COLUMBIA (44-299) (P)
SUBJECT: MURKIN
CR

Enclosed are nine copies of an insert re ISIAH MacNEIL MARSH, Columbia, South Carolina.

For information of Memphis, the Bureau has been furnished enclosed information concerning MARSH by LHM suitable for dissemination.

When MARSH telephonically contacted the FBI Office, Columbia, S. C., he talked with SPC JAMES J. PAINTER, and other interviews in the insert were conducted by SA MULDROW B. MILLS.

In view of MARSH's apparent mental condition no attempt was made to interview him.

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② - Memphis (Enc. 9)
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Approved: *[Signature]* Sent _____ M Per _____
Special Agent in Charge

Re: Suspect ISIAH MacNEIL MARSH,
Columbia, South Carolina

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At 8:18 PM on April 15, 1968, ISIAH MacNEIL MARSH telephonically contacted the Columbia, South Carolina, Federal Bureau of Investigation Office and immediately began cursing and sounded as if he was under the influence of intoxicants. After talking incoherently for several minutes, this individual finally said he killed "KING" and that law enforcement agencies were stupid for not finding him. He said he would sign papers to this effect.

MARSH gave his home address as 1316 Bonner Avenue, Columbia, South Carolina, said he was unemployed and just robbed and stole. He said he robbed banks and stole cars and the last car he stole was April 13, 1968, at the "Dixie-Do" (phonetic), which car he sold for one thousand dollars profit.

During the telephonic conversation with MARSH, a woman's voice could be heard fussing in the background and MARSH said he only called so the FBI could get on his trail and he could prove they would be unable to catch him. During this conversation MARSH was very belligerent and continued using offensive language.

On April 16, 1968, Captain HARRY SNIPES, Columbia, South Carolina, Police Department, advised as follows:

He has twenty-nine arrests for ISIAH MacNEIL MARSH, a white male, born [redacted]. This individual is described as five feet three inches tall and weighing

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about eighty pounds. Captain Snipes said that the first arrest was on June 10, 1942, and his most recent arrest was on June 28, 1967.

He said these arrests consist of thirteen for disorderly conduct, one for housebreaking and larceny of an auto, one for forgery, one for resisting arrest, seven for being drunk, two for driving under the influence, three for drunk and disorderly conduct, and one for lunacy in 1962, which charge was dismissed and he was released.

Captain Snipes said that Marsh is well known to the Columbia, South Carolina, Police Department as a mentally ill person who is always calling up and admitting serious crimes which he did not commit. He said that Marsh is unable to hold employment due to his condition and that he usually calls this department when under the influence of intoxicants. He said that he would pay absolutely no attention to anything that Marsh related to him or the Columbia, South Carolina, Police Department as in all probability it was entirely false.

On April 16, 1968, Mrs. Gussie Marsh, 1316 Bonner Avenue, Columbia, South Carolina, advised as follows:

She resides at this address with her sons, Isiah MacNeil Marsh and Earnest Marsh. Earnest Marsh is retired from the United States Army, weighs about two hundred pounds, and owns the house at this address.

Isiah MacNeil Marsh was born [redacted], is about five feet three inches tall, a white male, weighing about eighty pounds. When Isiah Marsh was about ten years old he was hit by an automobile and remained unconscious in a hospital for two weeks. Since then he has been under a doctor's care and always taken medicine to prevent epileptic seizures. He has absolutely no education, cannot read or write, and because of this is unable to hold a job very long. Mrs. Marsh said she is eighty-four years of age, has a heart condition, and that she is very concerned about Isiah Marsh because his

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brother Earnest frequently beats on him for doing what he does.

She said that about 8:00 o'clock PM on April 15, 1968, Isiah Marsh was apparently drinking after taking strong tablets for his physical condition when she heard him talking over the telephone, apparently with the FBI at Columbia. She said that anything he said should be completely disregarded as he has not left Columbia, South Carolina, in years and she has been with him every night and day during the past month. She said he is not capable of robbing anything and that the "Dixie-Do" he referred to is actually a dog she owned at one time which Isiah was very fond of. She said that he has never been in a mental institution but that she is seriously considering having him committed to the South Carolina State Hospital. Mrs. Marsh said that while Isiah was talking with the FBI she was fussing in the background, trying to get him to hang up. She said that he, in the past, has telephonically contacted the office of United States Senator Ernest F. Hollings in Washington, D. C., and left word for Senator Hollings to call him. She said that she discourages his doing such things but that he does them when she is not with him. She said that on one occasion someone from Senator Hollings' Office in Washington did return such a call. Mrs. Marsh said that she knows her son is emotionally disturbed and that "he always does these crazy things when he has a combination of beer or liquor with his tablets." She said that he is presently under the care of Dr. William Pitts, 1400 Barnwell Street, Columbia, South Carolina.

She described Isiah Marsh as follows:

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| Date of birth | <input type="text"/> |
| Race | White |
| Sex | Male |
| Address | 1316 Bonner Avenue, Columbia, South Carolina |
| Occupation | Unemployed |
| Height | 5'3" |
| Weight | 80 pounds |
| Education | None |
| Hair | Red |
| Eyes | Blue |

Please do not question me.
Am telling all I know. Mr.
Ford, FBI, Denver, Colorado
for verification of reading the
newspapers in the future, can
also follow people throughout
their lifetime. Cost \$1000.
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Bill Thomas
Fairbanks, Alaska

AIR MAIL



The Agent in Charge
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Memphis, Tennessee

Important

Came from Brown or Smith;
2 names. See case may not be
have 2 people involved in the
King murders (Ku Klux Klan??)

Suspects might be a racist
Moridian Mississippi now.
How do I know, could read the
newspapers in the future, etc.

Bill Thomas
Fairbanks, Alaska
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DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861) 4/19/68
ATTN: IDENTIFICATION DIVISION

SAC, ATLANTA (44-2386) (P)

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PATSY PIKE, a waitress at Mammy's Shanty Restaurant, Atlanta, Georgia, advised on 4/18/68, she served lunch to ERIC S. GALT, whose photograph appeared in the newspapers on 4/18/68.

Enclosed is the luncheon check which this individual presented to the cashier upon leaving the restaurant.

The Identification Division is requested to process the enclosed check for latent fingerprint impressions and thereafter to compare any latents developed with latent prints previously developed in this case.

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1 - Memphis (Info)
1 - Birmingham (Info)
2 - Atlanta
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851PM URGENT 5-2-68 DJB

TO DIRECTOR (44-38861) & MEMPHIS
FROM KANSAS CITY (44-760) 2P

MURKIN.

DAILY SUMMARY.

INFORMATION REGARDING LEE EUGENE WARREN'S ACTIVITIES IN
MO. STATE PENITENTIARY FURNISHED INTERESTED OFFICES. EFFORTS
TO LOCATE (FNU) WARE UNSUCCESSFUL TO DATE. KANSAS CITY TEAMSTER
UNION RECORD NEGATIVE RE TRUCK DRIVER WILLIAM THOMAS JACOBS.

RECOMMENDATION MADE AGAINST USING KANSAS CITY PCI AT
THIS TIME.

INVESTIGATION CONDUCTED BY MSP RE THE STABBING ATTACK ON
THREE NEGRO INMATES JUNE EIGHT, SIXTY FOUR DOES NOT IMPLICATE
SUBJECT. (CONFIDENTIAL). MEMPHIS ADVISED THAT EARL KNIGHT
AND IVAN UNDERWOOD RECENTLY PAROLED TO THAT CITY FROM MSP. IT
WAS DETERMINED THAT THE REASON FOR GERALD GERLT MAKING TRIP TO
TENN. IN MARCH, SIXTY EIGHT WAS TO OBTAIN NURSERY STOCK. THIS
WAS VERIFIED BY EMPLOYMENT RECORDS.

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INTERVIEWS WITH PRISONERS CONTINUE. LOCAL LEADS BEING
HANDLED ON IMMEDIATE BASIS.

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1210 PM URGENT 5-1-68 CND

TO DIRECTOR 44-388861, MEMPHIS 44-1987 AND KANSAS CITY 44-760
FROM SAN DIEGO 44-387

MURKIN

RE SUSPECT GERALD B. GERLT.

RE KANSAS CITY TEL TO BUREAU APRIL TWO NINE LAST.

GERALD BRUCE GERLT, FOUR NINE ONE NORTH FIRST STREET,
EL CAJON, CALIFORNIA, INTERVIEWED APRIL THIRTY LAST AND
ADVISED AS FOLLOWS:

GERLT, HIS WIFE, TWO STEPSONS, AND A DAUGHTER LEFT
KANSAS CITY, KANSAS, MARCH THREE ONE LAST ENROUTE CALIFORNIA
ARRIVING LEUCADIA, APRIL THREE LAST AND STAYED AT WOLVERINE
MOTEL APRIL THREE THROUGH NINE LAST, WHICH WAS VERIFIED
THROUGH MOTEL RECORDS.

DURING MONTH OF MARCH LAST GERLT, HIS WIFE, AND TWO
STEPSONS MADE ONE TRIP TO NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE, IN CONNECTION
WITH HIS EMPLOYMENT, JERRY'S NURSERY AND LANDSCAPING COMPANY,
SIX FIVE FOUR ZERO STATE AVENUE, KANSAS CITY, KANSAS.

IT IS GERLT'S RECOLLECTION THEY DEPARTED KANSAS CITY,
KANSAS, MARCH TEN, LAST, STAYING AT THE GREIBERS MOTEL,
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NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE, NIGHT OF MARCH TEN. HE LOADED EIGHTEEN THOUSAND POUNDS OF NURSERY STOCK, MARCH ELEVEN, AND DEPARTED FOR KANSAS CITY, KANSAS STAYING OVERNIGHT AT AN UNRECALLED MOTEL, WEST MEMPHIS, ARKANSAS, MARCH ELEVEN, AND LEAVING EARLY MORNING OF MARCH TWELVE ARRIVING KANSAS CITY APPROXIMATELY EIGHT P.M., NIGHT OF MARCH TWELVE LAST.

GERALD JONES PART OWNER, JERRY'S NURSERY AND LANDSCAPING COMPANY, CAN VERIFY DATES OF TRIP THROUGH RECORDS.

GERLT RECALLS NO OTHER TRIPS TO TENNESSEE SINCE SIXTYFIVE.

ON MARCH FOURTEEN LAST, HE AND HIS WIFE SALLY WENT TO FALLS CITY, NEBRASKA, WHERE FINAL PROCEEDINGS WERE FILED BY WIFE AGAINST CHARLES WERNER.

GERLT ADVISED RACIST VIEWS OF STEPSON'S CAN BE TRACED TO THEIR FATHER, CHARLES WERNER, ONE NINE ZERO TWO ABBOTT STREET, FALLS CITY, NEBRASKA, WHO HAS TAUGHT THEM TO HATE PERSONS OF NEGRO RACE.

PHOTOGRAPHS OF RAY DISPLAYED GERLT AND COULD FURNISH NO INFO.

DESCRIPTION OF GERLT. WMA, BORN AUGUST TWENTY, NINETEEN TWENTYEIGHT, FALLS CITY, NEBRASKA, SIX FEET, THREE FOUR ONE
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POUNDS, BROWN HAIR, BROWN EYES, PARENTS INEZ G. GERLT, NEE FARLOW, MOTHER, RUDY GERLT, FATHER, BOTH RESIDE FALLS CITY, NEBRASKA.

KANSAS CITY CONTACT GERALD JONES AND VERIFY DATES GERLT AND FAMILY IN NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE.

MEMPHIS, AT NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE, VERIFY GERLT'S STAY AT GREIBERS MOTEL, MARCH TEN LAST.

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136 PM URGENT 4/29/68 PHM

TO DIRECTOR 44-38861, SAN DIEGO 44-387, MEMPHIS 44-1987
FROM KANSAS CITY 44-760 2P

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RE SUSPECT GERALD B. GERLT. ✓

RE SAN DIEGO TEL APRIL TWENTYFIVE LAST.

MRS. ROSE ROBINSON, FIFTH GRADE TEACHER, FOREST HILL
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, THIRTYFIVE HUNDRED NORTHEAST PRATHER RD.,
NORTH KANSAS CITY, MO., ADVISED SCHOOL RECORDS OF RICHARD LEE
WERNER AND ROGER LYNN WERNER WERE REQUESTED BY THE NARANCA
SCHOOL, ONE ZERO THREE ZERO NARANCA AVE., EL CAJON, CALIF. ROBINSON
STATED RICHARD INDICATED HIS STEPFATHER GERALD B. GERLT WAS
PREPARING A TRUCK TO HAUL A CAR AND WAS ALSO INSTALLING A
CITIZENS BAND RADIO IN THE TRUCK. SHE STATED THE FAMILY REPORTEDLY
OWNED A CADILLAC.

OSCAR DAVIDSON, CLERK, US POST OFFICE, ARMOUR RD., NORTH
KANSAS CITY, MO., ADVISED GERLT RENTED BOX NO. SEVEN FOUR FOUR
TWO UNTIL THE RENT EXPIRED APRIL ONE SIXTYEIGHT AND NO FORWARDING
ADDRESS HAD BEEN RECEIVED. HE STATED MAIL WAS RECEIVED AT THIS
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BOX FOR BETTY WERNER, RICHARD AND ROGER WERNER AND FOR PAT GRIFFITHS AND LLOYD GRIFFITHS.

DON ABBOTT, METROPOLITAN BANK, KANSAS CITY, MO., STATED BANK HAS A LOAN WITH GERLT ON A SIXTYSEVEN CADILLAC DE VILLE, SERIAL NO. B SEVEN ONE ZERO FIVE-ZERO FIVE THREE AND NO PAYMENTS HAVE BEEN RECEIVED SINCE FEB. TWELVE, SIXTYEIGHT.

SAN DIEGO LOCATE AND INTERVIEW GERALD B. GERLT RE TRIPS TO TENNESSEE IN MARCH, SIXTYEIGHT AND ALSO RE STATEMENTS MADE BY HIS STEPSON RICHARD WERNER TO EFFECT THAT MARTIN LUTHER KING SHOULD BE SHOT. WILL ESTABLISH GERLT'S WHEREABOUTS AT THE TIME OF THE KING MURDER, AND EVALUATE AS POSSIBLE CONSPIRATOR.

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FBI SAN DIEGO

6-11 PM URGENT 4-25-68 ATJ

TO DIRECTOR (44-38861), KANSAS CITY (44-760) AND MEMPHIS (44-1987)
FROM SAN DIEGO (44-337)

MURKIN

RE SUSPECT: GERALD E. GERLT.

RE KC TELETYPE TO BUREAU, APRIL TWENTY FOUR LAST.

DOROTHY MARSHALL, EL CAJON VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT, EL
CAJON CENTRAL INDEX OF STUDENTS IN THAT DISTRICT, ADVISED THERE
ARE NINETEEN GRADE SCHOOLS, EACH HAVING ITS OWN STUDENT RECORDS.

KANSAS CITY, ATTEMPT TO DETERMINE THE SPECIFIC SCHOOL TO
WHICH RICHARD LEE WARNER'S RECORDS WERE FORWARDED.

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TO DIRECTOR 44-38861, MEMPHIS 44-1987, SAN DIEGO 44-387
FROM SAC, KANSAS CITY 44-760

MURKIN

RE SUSPECT GERALD B. GERLT

RE KANSAS CITY TELETYPE TO BUREAU APRIL TWENTYTWO LAST AND
SAN DIEGO TELETYPE TO BUREAU APRIL TWENTYTHREE LAST.

LYLE ROBINSON, LIBERTY, MO., ADVISED GERALD B. GERLT'S SON
OR STEP-SON IS RICHARD LEE WERNER, FIFTH GRADE STUDENT AND SCHOOL
AUTHORITIES RECEIVED A REQUEST APRIL NINETEEN, LAST, FOR RECORDS
TO BE FORWARDED TO EL CAJON, CALIF. ALSO KANSAS CITY CREDIT
RECORDS REVEAL FORMER ADDRESS BOX SEVEN THREE THREE, ALPINE, CALIF.,
DATE NOT INDICATED. U.S. POST OFFICE RECORDS REVEAL NO CHANGE OF
ADDRESS AND MAIL IS BEING HELD FOR FURTHER NOTIFICATION FROM GERLT.

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353 PM URGENT 4/22/68 PHM

TO DIRECTOR 44-33861, MEMPHIS, SAN DIEGO
FROM KANSAS CITY 44-760 2P

MURKIN

LYLE ROBINSON, TEN SEVENTEEN ORCHARD, LIBERTY, MO.,
ADVISED HIS WIFE, ROSE ROBINSON, IS FIFTH GRADE TEACHER,
FOREST HILL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, NORTH KANSAS CITY, MO., AND
TAUGHT A BOY THAT MADE STATEMENTS TO EFFECT THAT MARTIN
LUTHER KING SHOULD BE SHOT, AND IT WAS LEARNED THAT THE
BOY'S FATHER, GERALD B. GERLT, RESIDING IN A TRAILER AT
NINETEEN TEN ARMOUR ROAD, NORTH KANSAS CITY, MO., MADE
TRIPS TO TENNESSEE MARCH FOUR-FIVE, SIXTYEIGHT, AND MARCH
FOURTEEN-FIFTEEN, SIXTYEIGHT. ALSO, BOY REPORTED THAT THE
FAMILY WAS MOVING TO CALIFORNIA, BUT WHEN TEACHER CONTACTED
MOTHER, SHE DENIED THEY WERE MOVING. HOWEVER, THE FAMILY
DID MOVE TO EL CAJON, CALIFORNIA, MARCH TWENTYNINE, SIXTYEIGHT.
GERLT REPORTED TO HAVE CITIZENS BAN RADIO IN HIS TRUCK.

KANSAS CITY INDICES AND KANSAS CITY, MO. PD RECORDS NEGATIVE.
CREDIT BUREAU OF GREATER KANSAS CITY RECORDS SHOW GERALD B. GERLT,
AGE THIRTYEIGHT, AND WIFE LOUI HELEN GERLT, HAVE BEEN IN FILE
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SINCE NINETEEN FIFTYFIVE, AND WERE OPERATING JERRY'S NURSERY,
SIX FIVE FOUR ZERO STATE, KANSAS CITY, KS., IN JAN. SIXTYSEVEN.
FROM FEB. SIXTYSEVEN TO SEPT. SIXTYSEVEN, GERLT OPERATED NORTHVIEW
SKELLY STATION, FALLS CITY, NEBRASKA, AND IN NOV. SIXTYSEVEN,
OPERATED CLAYCOMO RESTAURANT IN NOTHER KANSAS CITY, MO.

SAN DIEGO, LOCATE AND INTERVIEW GERLT REGARDING HIS TRIPS
TO TENNESSEE, AND HIS WHEREABOUTS ON DATE OF KING'S MURDER.

SUBJECT ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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121 PM URGENT 4-22-68 BSH

TO DIRECTOR (44-38861) MEMPHIS (44-1987) AND MIAMI
FROM CHARLOTTE (44-1365) (P)

MURKIN

PETER S. GILCHRIST, CHARLOTTE, NC, ADVISED APRIL TWELVE
LAST HE WAS TRAVELING FROM ATLANTA TO HOUSTON VIA EAL FLIGHT
ONE THREE THREE. HE LEFT ATLANTA AT ELEVEN ZERO FIVE A.M.
HE ADVISED UPON VIEWING JAMES EARL RAY'S PHOTOGRAPH, THAT HE
WAS SURE THAT RAY WAS THE PASSENGER ON THIS FLIGHT. HE SAID
THIS INDIVIDUAL WAS TRAVELING WITHOUT LUGGAGE. ONLY DIFFERENCE
BETWEEN RAY AND PASSENGER WAS COLOR HAIR. INDIVIDUAL ON
PLANE HAD BLOND HAIR. HE ADVISED THERE WERE FORTY-FIVE TO
FIFTY INDIVIDUALS ON THE FLIGHT BUT INSOFAR AS HE KNOWS, THIS
INDIVIDUAL WAS THE ONLY PERSON TO LEAVE THE PLANE AT HOUSTON.

GILCHRIST DID NOT KNOW THE NAME OF THIS INDIVIDUAL WAS USING.

MIAMI, THROUGH EAL RECORDS ATTEMPT TO DETERMINE INDIVIDUALS
NAMES ON THIS FLIGHT FROM ATLANTA TO HOUSTON AND SET OUT
APPROPRIATE LEADS.

AM COPIES TO ATLANTA AND HOUSTON.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)

FROM : *[Signature]* SAC, PHOENIX (44-371) (P)

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 6/3/68

Remyairtel, 5/31/68.

Enclosed herewith are fifteen (15) copies of
FD-302 reflecting interview with Mrs. DAVID (EDNA) WILSON,
dated 5/29/68, at Flagstaff, Arizona.

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② - Memphis (Enc 15) *[Signature]*
2 - Phoenix

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 5/29/68

Mrs. DAVID WILSON (EDNA), was contacted at the residence of her sister, Mrs. JOE HERNANDEZ, 2 Woodland Circle, Flagstaff, Arizona, and advised as follows:

She last heard from her husband, DAVID WILSON, on May 10, 1968, when he telephoned her from Grand Junction, Colorado, and told her he was coming home. In this conversation, her husband said he had been in recent contact with his employer at the Continental Body Shop in Phoenix, Arizona, and had been assured that he could resume his former job. He told her he would be reappearing in Flagstaff, the following weekend for the purpose of picking her and the children up for return to Phoenix with him.

Mrs. WILSON advised that, since that telephone call, she has not heard any more from her husband. She said he never reappeared in Phoenix as promised and never resumed his former job as far as she knows. She said she telephoned his employer, HARVEY WALD in Phoenix, and learned he had not been in contact with DAVID WILSON for approximately three weeks. She said he had absolutely no idea where his present location is and she is worried and in need of support. She said she will definitely contact the FBI upon hearing any word of his whereabouts or upon having any further contact with him.

Mrs. WILSON advised that, in her May 10, 1968 conversation with her husband, he referred to the tape recording of an anonymous telephone caller taken by the Coconino County Sheriff's Office on April 19, 1968. She said that, in this reference, he made the statement, "it sure sounds a lot like me doesn't it?" She said they discussed this possibility and, during the conversation, he strongly implied that he knew it was his own voice on the tape. She said, however, he did not absolutely state that he made the telephone call in question.

On 5/26/68 at Flagstaff, Arizona

by SA C. RICHARD WARNER, JR./ac

File # PHOENIX 44-371

Date dictated 5/28/68

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5/31/68

A I R T E L

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
FROM: SAC, PHOENIX (44-371) (P)
MURKIN

Re Memphis tel, 5/20/68.

On 5/26/68, Mrs. DAVID (EDNA) WILSON, Flagstaff, Arizona, advised SA C. RICHARD WARNER, JR., that her husband, DAVID WILSON, telephoned her 5/10/68 from Grand Junction, Colorado, telling her he was coming home and had arranged with his employer, Continental Body Shop, Phoenix, Arizona, to return to work. She stated, however, she has heard nothing further and she has contacted her husband's employer at Phoenix, who likewise has heard nothing from DAVID WILSON. Mrs. WILSON said that in her 5/10/68 conversation with her husband the latter brought up the tape recording of the anonymous telephone call to the Coconino County Sheriff's Office and made the statement, "It sure sounds a lot like me, doesn't it?". Mrs. WILSON said that they discussed the possibility that he had made the call and he strongly implied that he knew it was his own voice on the tape but he did not specifically state or admit that he made the phone call.

FD-302 of this interview will be forwarded to Memphis by routing slip.

On 5/31/68, HARVEY WOLDT, Continental Body Shop, Phoenix, Arizona, advised SA WILLIAM A. MEHRENS that he has not heard from DAVID WILSON and does not know the latter's whereabouts.

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

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In view of the foregoing and the extensive record of WILSON's emotional instability, it is not felt that further efforts to interview WILSON at this time are warranted.

The Bureau and Memphis will note that WILSON was previously specifically interviewed concerning the information related by Lt. ROBERT JACKSON, Flagstaff Police Department, and WILSON denied making statements attributed to him by Lt. JACKSON.

Armed and Dangerous

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Date: 5/20/68

Transmit the following in PLAINTEXT
(Type in plaintext or code)Via TELETYPE URGENT
(Priority)TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861) AND
SAC, PHOENIX (44-371)

FROM: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)

MURKIN.

RE PHOENIX AIRTEL TO BUREAU MAY SEVENTEEN LAST REGARDING
DAVID L. WILSON.PHOENIX WILL ARRANGE TO INTERVIEW DAVID L. WILSON UPON
HIS RETURN TO PHOENIX OR FLAGSTAFF, ARIZONA.

HE SHOULD BE INTERVIEWED SPECIFICALLY TO DETERMINE IF HE
MADE THE ANONYMOUS PHONE CALL TO THE COCONINO COUNTY
SHERIFF'S OFFICE IN FLAGSTAFF ON APRIL TWENTY LAST. IF HE
DENIES MAKING THIS PHONE CALL HE SHOULD BE SPECIFICALLY
INTERVIEWED CONCERNING INFORMATION FURNISHED TO LT. ROBERT
JACKSON, FLAGSTAFF PD, TO THE EFFECT THAT WILSON HAD BEEN
FULLY INFORMED OF THE ASSASSINATION PLOT WHICH INVOLVED A
GROUP OF EX CONS ALL KNOWN TO HIM. WILL ASCERTAIN WHY WILSON
DOES NOT BELIEVE RAY WAS THE ACTUAL KILLER.

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AIRTEL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
ASAC, FBI Laboratory
FROM: SAC, PHOENIX (44-371)(P)

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OO: Memphis

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Re Detroit airtel to Bureau, dated 5/14/68.

On 5/10/68, Mrs. DAVID L. WILSON contacted SA C. RICHARD WARNER, JR., at Flagstaff, Arizona, and advised that she had received a telephone call from her husband who called from Grand Junction, Colorado, to advise her that he was returning to Phoenix, Arizona, and had contacted his former employer Continental Body Shop, Phoenix, and had been assured that he could return to work there. She advised that DAVID WILSON stated he was going to do this and that on Friday May 17, 1968, he would come to Flagstaff from Phoenix to visit her.

Mrs. WILSON stated that she was calling to let the FBI know that her husband had "calmed down" and was returning and would be available if needed.

Unless advised to the contrary, Phoenix does not contemplate further interview with WILSON at this time in view of his apparent mental condition as reflected in his military record.

4 - Bureau
2 - Detroit (44-989)
2 - Memphis (44-1987)
2 - Phoenix

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
ATTENTION: FBI LABORATORY

FROM: SAC, DETROIT (44-989)

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Phoenix airtel to Director, dated
5/6/68.

On 5/13/68, Mrs. DOROTHY MEYER, Saline, Michigan, advised she was unable to definitely ascertain if the caller on the tape of the anonymous telephone call to Coconino County Deputy Sheriff RAY STOCK on 4/20/68, was her brother DAVID WILSON. Mrs. MEYER indicated there were pronounced similarities between the voice on the tape and the voice of her brother, however, several of the expressions and words used by the person making the anonymous telephone call were foreign to her and extremely unlike those used by her brother.

Mrs. MEYER indicated she was not in possession of a tape of the voice of her brother as she had indicated to Special Agent of the Phoenix Office during prior telephone call. Mrs. MEYER said she had been in possession of such a tape, however, she discovered that this tape had been erased by her husband.

Inasmuch as there is no suitable tape recording of DAVID WILSON in the Detroit Division to be used as a comparison with the tape of the anonymous caller, that tape is being returned to the Phoenix Office.

3 - Bureau (RM)
2 - Phoenix (44-371) (Enc. 1) (RM)
1 - Memphis (44-1987) (RM) (Info)
1 - Detroit
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Mrs. MEYER indicated that her brother has telephoned her on several occasions within the past several weeks and she anticipates he may call again within the next several weeks. Mrs. MEYER indicated she would attempt to obtain an exact address for her brother and would make this address available to the Detroit Office of the FBI.

Phoenix is requested to specifically advise Detroit if DAVID WILSON is wanted for interview at this time.

Copies of the FD-302 regarding the interview of Mrs. MEYER on 5/13/68 will be furnished Memphis for inclusion in a report.

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TELETYPE

URGENT

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861) AND SAC, PHOENIX (44-371)

FROM: SAC, DETROIT (44-989) 44-1987-634Ap2

MURKIN:

RE PX TEL TO BUREAU, MEMPHIS AND ST. LOUIS, APRIL TWENTY FIVE LAST RE DAVID L. WILSON.

DOROTHY MEYER, SALINE, MICH. ADVISED INSTANT DATE THAT DAVID L. WILSON CAN BE LOCATED THROUGH ADELINA APODACA, RTE. NO. ONE, BOX THREE FOUR FOUR, LOS LUNAS, NEW MEXICO. APODACA EMPLOYED AS FRUIT WORKER IN AREA.

MEYER ADVISED WILSON CALLED HER VIA LONG DISTANCE APRIL TWENTY SEVEN LAST STATING HE WAS BEING FOLLOWED BY "KING'S SLAYERS, THE NIGGERS, AND THE FBI". WILSON STATED HE WAS A VERY IMPORTANT MAN.

MEYER ADVISED WILSON ADDICTED TO DRUGS AND IN NEED OF PSYCHIATRIC TREATMENT.

AIR MAIL COPY SENT MEMPHIS. ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

① - Memphis (44-1987) (AM)
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FBI PHOENIX

12:00 PM URGENT 4-25-68 MPB

TO: DIRECTOR (44-38861), MEMPHIS (44-1987), ST. LOUIS

FROM: PHOENIX (44-371) 3P

MURKIN

RE PHOENIX TELS APRIL TWENTYONE, TWENTYTWO, AND TWENTY-
FOUR, LAST, RE DAVID L. WILSON.

WILSON'S RELATIVES FLAGSTAFF, ARIZONA, ADVISED TODAY
CALLER ON TAPED ANONYMOUS PHONE CALL TO COCONINO COUNTY SO,
FLAGSTAFF, SOUNDS LIKE DAVID WILSON HI, MYSELF. WILSON'S WIFE
NOW STATES WHEN SHE FIRST HEARD TAPE SHE THOUGHT IT SOUNDED
LIKE HER HUSBAND BUT WAS AFRAID TO SAY SO. ON APRIL TWENTYTHREE
LAST, WILSON SENT WIFE TO PARENTS AT FLAGSTAFF AND TOOK OFF.
WILSON'S SISTER DOROTHY MEYER OR DOROTHY BURNHAM, EMPLOYED
MYCRR, SALINE, MICHIGAN, TELEPHONE FOUR TWO NINE NINE THREE
EIGHT ZERO, RESIDING IN TRAILER ON ANN ARBOR STREET, ADVISED
VIA LONG DISTANCE THAT DAVID WILSON IS KOREAN VETERAN
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WHO WAS WOUNDED IN KOREA BY GRENADE AND SHELLSHOCKED AND SPENT TIME IN VA HOSPITALS IN PENNSYLVANIA AND KENTUCKY, CITIES UNKNOWN. SHE STATED THAT DAVID IS PSYCHOTIC AND GIVEN TO TELLING TALL TALES. THIS CONDITION LED TO DAVID'S DIVORCE FROM FIRST WIFE MARY HAMMONDS, CLINTON, TENN., DAUGHTER OF DEPUTY SHERIFF BILL HAMMONDS, AND MARY CAN FURNISH DETAILS AND IDENTITY OF HOSPITALS. MEYERS STATES DAVID ENLISTED FORT CAMPBELL, KENTUCKY, AND DISCHARGED SEVERAL MONTHS LATER AT FT. CAMPBELL OR FT. KNOX.

IDENTIFICATION DIVISION CHECK FOR MILITARY FINGERPRINTS OF WILSON, NOTING SAME NOT ON HIS RECORD UNDER FBI SEVEN NINE TWO TWO FOUR TWO C.

ST. LOUIS CHECK FOR RECORD OF ARMY SERVICE FOR DAVID LINDSEY WILSON, DOB [REDACTED], AT WESTBURN, TENNESSEE.

DETROIT INTERVIEW MEYER AT SALINE MICHIGAN, AND ARRANGE TO GET ANY INFO SHE RECEIVES AS TO WHEREABOUTS OF WILSON. ENCLOSED FOR DETROIT IS XEROX COPY EACH OF RETELS.
END PAGE TWO.

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MEMPHIS AT CLINTON INTERVIEW MARY HAMMONDS FOR INFO
VERIFYING WILSON'S MILITARY SERVICE AND MENTAL CONDITION, AND
AND POSSIBLE CONTACT THAT HE MIGHT MAKE WITH HER.

DETROIT, DALLAS, JACKSONVILLE, KANSAS CITY, LITTLE ROCK
AND LOS ANGELES ADVISED AIRMAIL.

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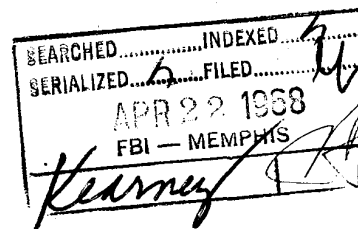
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1106 AM URGENT 4-22-68 LMS

TO DIRECTOR (44-38861) AND MEMPHIS (44-1987), JACKSONVILLE,
KANSAS CITY AND PHOENIX (44-371)
FROM DALLAS (44-2649)

MURKIN. OO MEMPHIS.



RE PHOENIX TEL, APRIL TWENTYONE, LAST.

T. L. MAULDIN, RECORDS CLERK, FCI, TEXARKANA, TEXAS, ADVISED
APRIL TWENTYTWO, INSTANT, THAT RECORDS, THAT INSTITUTION, SHOW
DAVID L. WILSON, FCI NO. ONE TWO FIVE NINE ONE, WAS RECEIVED ON NOV.
SEVEN, SIXTYONE, AND WAS TRANSFERRED TO THE FCI, TALLAHASSEE,
FLORIDA, ON JAN. TWELVE, SIXTYTWO.

CLARENCE JAMES CLARK, AGE TWENTYEIGHT, IN NINETEEN
FIFTYSIX, FCI NO. ONE ONE THREE FIVE THREE, WAS SERVING SENTENCE FOR
MURDER AT FCI, TEXARKANA, UNTIL HIS TRANSFER TO U. S. FEDERAL HOSPITAL,
SPRINGFIELD, MO., ON JULY SEVENTEEN, SIXTYONE. HE WAS SCHEDULED
FOR RELEASE IN SIXTYONE, EXACT DATE NOT SHOWN, WITH TIME OFF FOR
GOOD BEHAVIOR. HE WOULD THEN BE ON CONDITIONAL RELEASE FOR THREE
HUNDRED AND THIRTYSIX DAYS. CLARK WAS SHOWN AS BEING FROM LAKE CHARLES,
LA.,. CLARK AND WILSON WERE NOT AT FCI, TEXARKANA AT SAME TIME.
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JACKSONVILLE, AT TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA, CONTACT FCI AND DETERMINE IF WILSON AND CLARK SERVED AT THAT INSTITUTION TOGETHER.

KANSAS CITY, AT SPRINGFIELD, MISSOURI, CONTACT U. S. FEDERAL HOSPITAL, FOR INFORMATION CONCERNING CLARK AND WHETHER WILSON AND CLARK WERE AT THE FACILITY TOGETHER. SET OUT LEADS TO DETERMINE PRESENT LOCATION OF CLARK FOR INTERVIEW. P

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FBI ATLANTA

12:41 PM EST URGENT 4/22/68 VSC

TO MOBILE AND MEMPHIS

FROM ATLANTA 44-2386

MURKIN

THE FOLLOWING TELETYPE RECEIVED FROM SAN ANTONIO THIS DATE
IN ERROR:

"ON INSTANT DATE, AN ANONYMOUS CALLER TELEPHONICALLY ADVISED
SAN ANTONIO OFFICE ON APRIL TWENTYONE, LAST, BETWEEN HOURS OF
THREE AND FOUR P.M., HE HAD FOLLOWED A LATE MODEL DARK GREEN
COLORED VEHICLE BEARING ALABAMA LICENSE FOUR DASH FOUR ONE SIX
THREE FOR SEVERAL MILES ON EXPRESSWAY SYSTEM IN SAN ANTONIO.

"THE UNKNOWN CALLER STATED HAD NUMBER OF OCCASIONS TO OBSERVE
THE DRIVER OF INSTANT VEHICLE AND STATED THE MAN STRONGLY
RESEMBLED PHOTOS OF JAMES EARL RAY PUBLISHED IN LOCAL NEWSPAPERS.

"THE DRIVE OF THE VEHICLE WAS DESCRIBED AS A WHITE MALE,
BADLY IN NEED OF SHAVE WITH LIGHT COLORED HAIR WORN IN A CREW
CUT. UNKNOWN CALLER STATED INSTANT VEHICLE AND DRIVER LAST SEEN
HEADED NORTH OUT OF SAN ANTONIO ON U.S. HIGHWAY EIGHTYONE.

"ATLANTA ASCERTAIN REGISTRATION DATA INSTANT LICENSE.

"FURTHER LEADS BEING LEFT TO DISCRETION MEMPHIS

MOBILE HANDLE LEAD SET FORTH FOR ATLANTA.

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1036AM CST URGENT 4-22-68 DM3
TO ATLANTA AND MEMPHIS (44-L987)
FROM SAN ANTONIO (44-1242)

MURKIN

ON INSTANT DATE, AN ANONYMOUS CALLER TELEPHONICALLY ADVISED
SAN ANTONIO OFFICE ON APRIL TWENTYONE, LAST, BETWEEN HOURS OF
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ATLANTA ASCERTAIN REGISTRATION DATA INSTANT LICENSE.

FURTHER LEADS BEING LEFT TO DISCRESSION MEMPHIS.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)

DATE: 4/22/68

FROM : SA EUGENE A. MEDORI, JR.

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Mr. Chuck Walker, 3993 Highway 51 South, Memphis, Tenn., telephonically contacted the Memphis Office stating that he had spoken with another agent on a number of occasions last week in regard to an individual whose actions he considered to be somewhat suspicious and who he thought might possibly be involved in the King killing.

He stated that he had previously furnished the name of a D.C. Newman to the FBI because Newman is his bookkeeper and had left town 2 or 3 days after King had been killed. When he left he took with him some books and papers belonging to Walker and Walker felt this was suspicious behavior. Walker also stated that he has been reading the newspapers and recalls that Galt had worked on the Miss. river and advised that he believes that Newman had operated a tow boat on the river about 3 or 4 years ago for a Frank Galiardi.

Walker also stated that he thought it was suspicious that Newman told him that he did not have to file his tax returns this year until June 1. Walker stated that the other agent had asked him to call back if he should hear anything further about Newman. Walker advised that Newman is back in town and that he has spoken with Newman's wife who said that they had been on a short vacation.

Walker stated that he is planning to speak with Newman in the near future concerning his business records and that if he learns anything that would be of interest to the FBI he will promptly contact us.

ACTION:

Suggest this memo be routed to SA Kearney...Misc. suspects.

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FBI ATLANTA

1052 AM EST URGENT 4-20-68 MJJ

TO DIRECTOR (44-38861), COLUMBIA (44-299) (26-2192)
FROM ATLANTA (44-2386) 1 PAGE

MURKIN. CR.

RE COLUMBIA TELETYPE TO BUREAU, THIS DATE.

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INFORMATION IN POSSESSION OF ATLANTA INDICATES GEORGE WILBURN STRENGTH COMPLETELY UNRELIABLE. HE HAS ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS IN THE PAST FURNISHED FALSE INFO. IT IS NOTED CURRENT ARREST OF STRENGTH AT GREENVILLE, S.C., BASED ON BENCH WARRANT ISSUED IN ATLANTA WHICH BENCH WARRANT WAS OCCASIONED BY STRENGTH JUMPING BOND. NOTHING IN ATLANTA FILE INDICATES STRENGTH IS RELIABLE IN ANY RESPECT.

MAIL COPIES TO KNOXVILLE AND MEMPHIS.

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CYNTHIA LOUISE BRONSON interviewed at NY and advised that she was stewardess on Eastern Airlines Flight 106 which departed Houston for Montreal, Canada, with stops at Atlanta, and JFK Airport on 4/5/68.

A photograph of JAMES EARL RAY was displayed to her and she advised that she did not recognize the photograph as being anyone that was on Flight 106. She further advised that she cannot recall seeing anyone who would be possibly identical to the photograph of JAMES EARL RAY.

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