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TELETYPE

URGENT

TO DIRECTOR AND MIAMI (44-1854)

FROM NEWARK (44-854) (P)

MURKIN

RE MIAMI TEL TO BUREAU, ATLANTA, BIRMINGHAM, MEMPHIS,
NEWARK AND NEW YORK, FOUR NINETEEN LAST.

RE ERIC STARVO GALT. FLIGHT CREW MEMBERS OF EASTERN
AIRLINES (EAL) FOREIGN BOUND FLIGHTS OUT OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA,
APRIL FIVE DASH SIX LAST.

PAGES THREE AND FOUR RE TEL SET OUT LEAD RE FLIGHT ATTENDANT
CYNTHIA LOUISE BROOKSON, EIGHTY THREE-NINETY SIX ONE HUNDRED
EIGHTEENTH ST., APT. TWO D, NEW GARDENS, NEW YORK, FOR FLIGHT
ONE ZERO SIX.

EAL, JFK AIRPORT, NYC, ADVISES BROOKSON NOW IN MIAMI
AREA AND SCHEDULED TO DEPART MIAMI ON FLIGHT TWO TWO ZERO
ONE, TEN FORTY PM, FOUR TWENTY INSTANT, TO ARRIVE JFK, NYC,
ONE AM FOUR TWENTY ONE NEXT.

1 - ATLANTA (44-2306) (INFO)
1 - BIRMINGHAM (44-1740) (INFO)
① - MEMPHIS (44-1987) (INFO)
1 - NEW YORK (INFO)
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PAGE THREE LISTE UNDER CAPTAINS AND PILOTS, T.R.
CRANE, FOURTEEN AVALON LANE, MATAMOR, N.J., FLIGHT ONE ZERO
SIX. SAME SOURCE ADVISES CRANE DEPARTED JFK, NYC, SEVEN TWENTY
AM, THIS DATE, ON FLIGHT TO MONTREAL, AND DEPARTED MONTREAL
AT NINE FIFTY AM, THIS DATE, RETURN JFK AND IMMEDIATELY DEPART
FOR MIAMI, FLIGHT SEVENTEEN, TO ARRIVE MIAMI AT TWO THIRTY
NINE, THIS DATE. MIAMI HANDLE HENDERSON AND CRANE AND EXHIBIT
PHOTOS.

MAIL COPIES TO ATLANTA, BIRMINGHAM, MEMPHIS AND NEW YORK.

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Date: 4/19/68

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TO: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)

FROM: SAC, WFO (44-703)

MURKIN
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ReButeletype to all SACS 4/19/68.

PENNY GILLIAM, Apartment 102, 2118 County Road, District Heights, Maryland, telephone 735-1064, telephonically advised WFO instant that she had just seen television broadcast revealing identity of assassin as JAMES EARL RAY. GILLIAM furnishing following information in the event individual she knows as JIM RAY might possibly be identical with JAMES EARL RAY.

GILLIAM related that in 1962 or 1963 she used to swim at a private lake near Kansas City, Mo., at 9900 Raytown Road. She related this lake is secluded from the road and presently deserted with no one living nearby. GILLIAM recalls a JIM RAY, who was quite a bit older than she and who was from a large family, also swam in this lake during this period.

- ② - Memphis
2 - Kansas City
1 - WFO

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AIRTEL INITIALS msd
RE: BU AIRTEL DTD 11/3/66

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GILLIAM feels that if the JIM RAY she knows is identical with MURKIN subject that he possibly could use this area as hideout.

GILLIAM relates that her mother, VERA BROOKE, 6791 San Diego Road, Buena Park, California, would know owner's identity of this property.

Inasmuch as referenced teletype indicates that JAMES EARL RAY was incarcerated at the Missouri State Penitentiary, Jefferson City, Mo., since March 17, 1960, and allegedly confined to that institution until time of his escape, 4/23/67, This is being furnished to Memphis and Kansas City for info purposes. Possibility exists that "JIM RAY" individual GILLIAM refers to is a possible relative of subject JAMES EARL RAY.

KANSAS City from file review determine if this is area of RAY's background and determine if this information has significance to captioned case.

No lead is being set forth for the Los Angeles Division at this time because of the limited information available to WFO concerning subject this case.

RAY SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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TO: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)

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

MURKIN
CR
(OO:ME)

Re ME teletype to WFO 4/13/68.

Numerous attempts have been made to contact STERLING TUCKER from 4/15-19/68. TUCKER'S secretary Mrs. MARGIE FELTON has advised that TUCKER is aware of Bureau Agents to set up interview with him. TUCKER has made no efforts to recontact the Bureau.

WFO will continue effort to interview STERLING TUCKER re this matter.

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② - Memphis
1 - WFO

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AIRTEL

TO: SAC, CHICAGO (44-1114)
FROM: SAC, OMAHA (44-310)(P)
RE: MURKIN

Re Chicago teletype to Omaha 4/18/68.

On 4/18/68 LE (MRS. CHARLES R.) REECHER, aka Mrs. LE MORISSE, her previous married name, currently residing with her daughter BRENDA (MRS. JERRY ALLEN) WEBER, (P.O. Box 85), Mead, Nebraska, advised that both she and her daughter are in process of obtaining divorces from their husbands who travel together and are away from home almost continuously.

Mrs. MORISSE related that although married to him since 6/16/66, she had not ever come to know much about CHARLES R. REECHER and that, except for that having to do with his employments, marriage, and description, he is the only source of the information set out below, the authenticity of which she has no way to verify.

REECHER was paroled early in 1966 from the Illinois State Penitentiary where he had been sentenced for rape. She became acquainted with him when they were both employed at International Harvester, Moline, Illinois, and J.I. Case, Bettendorf, Iowa. Either through direct association or mutual acquaintances at the penitentiary, REECHER became closely associated with Chicago hoodlums "Little Caesar" (an "Italian name" not recalled by Mrs. MORISSE), MIKE (LNU) and PETER VERDINO. REECHER "thinks the world" of "Little Caesar". The "Double R" bar or tavern in Chicago is operated by MIKE (LNU) and VERDINO.

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2 - Memphis (44-1987)
2 - Omaha
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On or about 3/24/68 REECHER and WEBER returned to Mead and during their conversations regarding his trip, REECHER told Mrs. MORISSE they had been in Chicago where PETER VERDINO had "offered him (REECHER) a contract to kill 'KING' for \$20,000" or, as an alternative, to "transport dope out of New York" for \$10,000. REECHER said he had not accepted either offer and sought Mrs. MORISSE's views concerning them which she expressed as "a ridiculous idea" for him even to consider.

REECHER and WEBER again departed Mead on or about Sunday March 31 and returned Sunday 4/7/68, reportedly by bus to Fremont or possibly Omaha, Nebraska, where they were picked up by WEBER's mother. They stayed only about 24 hours when they left again, taking Mrs. MORISSE's car, a black two-door Ford, about 1962 model, license or VIN not immediately available, and their present whereabouts are unknown to her. During that time REECHER mentioned that WEBER had a gun and that he had taken possession of it for safekeeping. She did not see a gun nor was it described to her. No reference was made by REECHER to their previous conversation about his offer of "a contract" nor to the shooting of MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., which had occurred during the previous week and Mrs. MORISSE was prompted to advise the FBI of these circumstances only after long deliberation and her conclusion that she should not withhold it even though it may be without significance.

Mrs. MORISSE requested that her identity be protected in any investigation which may be undertaken with respect to the information furnished by her.

REECHER was described as white male, born [REDACTED] 6'2½, 230 pounds, light brown curly hair with blond streaks; blue eyes and always wears hornrimmed glasses; native of Coleta, Dixon or Sterling, Illinois; employed, since early 1966 when paroled from Illinois State Penitentiary, as welder and lift truck operator, at International Harvester, Moline, Illinois, J.I. Case, Bettendorf, Iowa, Independent Metals and Omaha Steel, Omaha.

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JERRY ALLEN WEBER was described as white male, born [REDACTED] or [REDACTED], 6', slender build. His (adoptive) parents are LAWRENCE and EDNA WEBER who operate the Spart Time Cafe at Mead. An adopted sister is LINDA WEBER, employed as Nurse's Aid at University Hospital, Omaha. WEBER described as lazy and dependent upon his mother for pocket money.

LEAD

CHICAGO

AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS. Will conduct appropriate investigation to determine the identities of "Little Caesar", MIKE LNU and PETER VERDINO and whether VERDINO in fact may have been implicated in instant conspiracy.

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PLAINTEXT

AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

TO: SAVANNAH (44-1768)

FROM: MOBILE (157-2627)

MURKIN.

RE SAVANNAH TELETYPE TO MOBILE FOUR EIGHTEEN SIXTYEIGHT
CAPTIONED SUSPECT DRIVING SIXTYEIGHT RED CHEVY TWO, BEARING ALA.
LICENSE ONE SIX DASH EIGHT TWO EIGHT NINE.

RECORDS CLARK COUNTY PROBATE COURT, GROVE HILL, ALA.,
REFLECT SIXTYEIGHT ALA. LICENSE ONE SIX DASH EIGHT TWO EIGHT NINE
REGISTERED ON MARCH TWENTY SIXTYEIGHT TO BELL AUTO SALES,
COFFEYVILLE, ALA., FOR SIXTYTWO CHEVY TWO NOVA, VIN TWO ZERO FOUR
THREE SEVEN N TWO TWO ZERO TWO SEVEN ZERO THREE, LICENSE
TRANSFERRED SAME DATE TO DAVIS S. STETSON, ELEVEN TWENTYFIVE
CHURCH STREET, MOBILE, ALA.

LOUIE BELL, BELL AUTO SALES, MICHIGAN AVE., MOBILE, ADVISED
HE SOLD INSTANT CAR TO STETSON ON MARCH TWENTY AND DESCRIBED

1 - Memphis (44-1987) (AIRMAIL)
1 - Mobile 157-2627

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STETSON AS WHITE MALE ABOUT SEVENTY, FIVE FEET ELEVEN INCHES, ONE EIGHTY, VERY LARGE STOMACH, HAIR GRAY. STETSON CLAIMED TO BE RETIRED FROM U. S. ARMY.

MRS MAY L. ARD, OWNER ROOMING HOUSE, ELEVEN TWENTYFIVE CHURCH ST., MOBILE, ADVISED STETSON MOVED FROM HER RESIDENCE DURING LATTER PART OF MARCH SIXTYEIGHT AND IS CURRENTLY LIVING AT EIGHTEEN FORTY SKIDOWAY ROAD, SAVANNAH, GA. MRS. ARD DESCRIBES STETSON AS WHITE MALE, AGE FIFTYSIX, HEIGHT FIVE FEET ELEVEN INCHES, WEIGHT ONE SIXTY, HAIR GRAY BALDING, HOME, BOSTON, MASS. SHE ADVISED THAT HE HAD BEEN LIVING AT HER RESIDENCE FOR THE PAST NINE MONTHS.

BOTH BELL AND ARD STATED PHOTOS OF GALT DO NOT IN ANY WAY RESEMBLE STETSON.

SAVANNAH AT SAVANNAH. LOCATE AND INTERVIEW DAVID S. STETSON, EIGHTEEN FORTY SKIDOWAY ROAD, DETERMINE IF HE IS IDENTICAL WITH PERSON MENTIONED IN REFERENCED TELETYPE.

MEMPHIS BEING ADVISED BY AIRMAIL. NO INSERTS BEING SUBMITTED
MOBILE.

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Date: 4/19/68

Transmit the following in PLAIN
(Type in plaintext or code)Via TELETYPE URGENT
(Priority)TO MOBILE
FROM NEW ORLEANS (157-10673)

MURKIN

LEONARD SPEARS, FORMER EAST BATON ROUGE PARISH SHERIFF'S DEPUTY, ADVISED THAT AT APPROXIMATELY EIGHT FORTYFIVE PM, FOUR NINETEEN SIXTYEIGHT, HE PULLED UP BESIDE GRAY VOLKESWAGEN BEARING SIXTYEIGHT ALABAMA LICENSE THREE ONE SEVEN TWO THREE NINE HEADING SOUTHERLY DIRECTION AIRLINE HIGHWAY, BATON ROUGE. SPEARS ADVISED THAT DRIVER OF VOLKESWAGEN LOOKED VERY MUCH LIKE PHOTOGRAPH OF SUBJECT WHICH HE HAD TORN FROM BATON ROUGE NEWSPAPER PREVIOUS DATE AND WAS CARRYING IN FRONT SEAT OF HIS CAR. HE CLOSELY OBSERVED DRIVER OF VOLKESWAGEN WHEN BOTH AT RED LIGHT ON AIRLINE HIGHWAY. DRIVER PUT HAND UP BESIDE FACE IN WHAT APPEARED TO BE EFFORT TO BLOCK SPEARS VIEW. SPEARS STATED HE PARTICULARLY NOTED THE THIN LONG NOSE AND SQUINTY EYES. THE MAN WAS NEATLY DRESSED AND APPEARED TO BE ABOUT THIRTYFIVE YEARS OF AGE.

MOBILE CHECK AND DETERMINE IF ANY REPORT OF STOLEN, DETERMINE OWNER OF REGISTERED VEHICLE, DRIVERS LICENSE INFORMATION CONCERNING OWNER OF VEHICLE IN EFFORT TO ELIMINATE DRIVER OF VOLKESWAGEN AS LOOK ALIKE OF RAY. AIRMAIL COPY TO MEMPHIS

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Approved: ERP:olp

Special Agent in Charge

① - Memphis

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AIRTEL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

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

MURKIN

Re HARVEY LOWMYER.

On 4/19/68, Mr. PETER DONOVAN, Deputy Director, Bureau of Employees Compensation, U. S. Department of Labor, Washington, D. C., telephonically advised SA ROBERT W. BARNSON that he had resided in the New Orleans area for about nine years, until transferred to Washington last year. His neighbor was Mr. J. WILLIAM "BILL" WADE, and wife ROSE, resided at 548 Ashlawn Drive, Harahan, Louisiana, telephone area code 504, 737-3791. Mr. DONOVAN explained that the WADE'S are "high type people" and close social friends of the DONOVAN'S. He stated that Mrs. WADE'S maiden name was LOWMYER (phonetic) of Memphis, Tennessee. Mr. DONOVAN stated he did not know Mrs. WADE'S family, but felt that she could be interviewed to determine whether she might be a relative of subject of this case.

Mr. DONOVAN stated that because of the nature of the social relationship between his family and the WADE'S, he desired that his identity be protected in this matter.

- 3 - Bureau
- ② - Memphis (44-1987)
- 2 - New Orleans
- 1 - WFO

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LEAD

NEW ORLEANS

AT HARAHAN, LA. Will interview Mrs. WADE concerning
identity of family members.

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2/7/69

AIRTEL

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

Re Charlotte airtel to Memphis 2/4/69 concerning information furnished by North Carolina Highway Patrol Trooper HARRY L. WILLIAMS.

The whereabouts of JAMES EARL RAY has been verified as being in Canada on 4/9/68, therefore, Trooper WILLIAMS could not have observed RAY driving an automobile at a road check on the night of 4/9/68.

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Airtel 2 - Charlotte
2 - Memphis

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A.M. (4)

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TO: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)
 FROM: SAC, CHARLOTTE (44-1365)
 RE: MURKIN

Re Charlotte teletype, 4/18/68, containing
 information furnished by North Carolina Highway Patrol
 Trooper HARRY L. WILLIAMS.

In referenced teletype, Trooper WILLIAMS advised
 that on the night of 4/9/68, during a road check, he stopped
 an automobile containing one white male. After viewing a
 photograph of ERIC STARVO GALT, he said he was certain this
 car was driven by GALT.

On 1/30/69, Trooper WILLIAMS advised that he has
 been following the JAMES EARL RAY case closely and still
 feels certain that the individual he stopped on the night
 of 4/9/68, was RAY. He advised that he is willing to go to
 Memphis at the request of the proper officials to personally
 observe RAY to see if he is identical with the individual
 he stopped.

The above is being furnished to Memphis for
 information. It is not known to the Charlotte Office whether
 RAY's whereabouts on 4/9/68 have been established.

2 - Memphis
 2 - Charlotte

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AIRTEL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
FROM: SAC, RICHMOND (44-657) -P-

MURKIN

**Re: Lockalike Seen by N.C.
Highway Patrolman in
Newton, N.C.,
4/9/68**

On 4/19/68, the following persons were contacted by
SA JOHN D. TIERNEY relative to be on the alert for the vehicle
described in Charlotte teletype to Richmond, 4/18/68, at
Mytherville, Va.:

Capt. M. G. DOLDIE
Va. State Police

WYTHE SHERIFF, Sheriff
Wythe County

J. D. BILSON
Chief of Police

All advised should they or any of their men see
the vehicle they would immediately notify the FBI. To date,
the vehicle has not been seen in the Mytherville, Va. area.

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3 - Bureau
1 - Charlotte (44-1565) (Info)
2 - Memphis (44-1987)
2 - Richmond
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TELETYPE

URGENT

TO: DIRECTOR (MAIL)
MIAMI

FROM: JACKSONVILLE (44-769)

MURKIN.

RE CHARLOTTE TEL TO JACKSONVILLE, APRIL EIGHTEEN,
LAST.

REFERENCED TELETYPE READS AS FOLLOWS:

TODAY, N. C. HIGHWAY PATROL TROOPER HARRY L.
WILLIAMS, CATAWBA COUNTY, N. C., SEVENTEEN YEARS
EXPERIENCE, ADVISED AFTER VIEWING PHOTOGRAPH OF ERIC
STARVO GALT WHICH APPEARED IN TODAY'S PAPER, THAT HE
RECALLED ON NIGHT OF APRIL NINE LAST, HEED WAS CONDUCTING
ROAD CHECK AT NEWTON, N. C. BETWEEN NINE AND NINE THIRTY
P.M. WHILE MALE DRIVING FIFTY-FIVE OR FIFTY-SIX DODGE,
FOUR DOOR, THREE TONE, WAS STOPPED AT ROAD CHECK. CAR
HAD OFF WHITE TOP, DARK GREEN ON SIDES, HOOD AND TRUNK
AND OFF WHITE BOTTOM. CAR HAD SIXTY-EIGHT FLORIDA LICENSE
WITH PREFIX ONE ZERO W DASH, FOLLOWED BY FOUR OR FIVE

1 - Charlotte (AM)
1 - Memphis (AM)
1 - Bureau (AM)
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DETAILS NOT RECALLED. DRIVER WAS IN CAR ALONE AND CAR WAS HEAVILY LOADED WITH LUGGAGE, POSSIBLY FIVE OR SIX SUITCASES.

DRIVER PRODUCED A VALID FLORIDA DRIVERS LICENSE. DONS NOT RECALL NAME ON LICENSE, BUT SAID IT WAS UNCOMMON NAME IN THIS AREA AND WAS A VERY SHORT NAME WITH ABOUT FOUR LETTERS. LICENSE REVEALED THE DRIVER WAS EMPLOYED AS AN AIRPLANE PILOT, AND HE ASKED DRIVER WHAT AIRLINE HE FLEW FOR AND DRIVER NAMED AN AIRLINE, NOT WELL KNOWN, WHICH WILLIAMS CANNOT RECALL. AIRLINE HAD TWO NAMES.

ON SEAT NEXT TO DRIVER WAS A FOLDED MAP OF SEVERAL SOUTHEASTERN STATES, WHICH WAS NEATLY MARKED SHOWING A ROUTE FROM SOMEWHERE IN DEEP CENTRAL GEORGIA TO WINNIEVILLE, VA., AND WILLIAMS ASKED DRIVER WHERE HE WAS GOING AND DRIVER STATED HE WAS GOING TO WINNIEVILLE TO VISIT FRIENDS AND WAS THEN GOING TO CHARLESTON OR BLUEFIELD, W. VA., TO VISIT FRIENDS AND OR RELATIVES. HE DID NOT MENTION ANYONE BY NAME. HE INSTRUCTED DRIVER AS TO HOW TO GET ON HIGHWAY SEVENTEEN, NORTH.

WILLIAMS STATED, AFTER LOOKING AT PHOTOGRAPH OF GALT,

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HE IS CERTAIN THAT GALT WAS THE DRIVER OF THIS CAR. HE SAID THERE IS NO DOUBT IN HIS MIND THAT THIS WAS GALT. HE STATED THE DRIVERS CHIEFS WERE NOT AS FULL AS IN THE PHOTOGRAPH. HE HAD SHARP FEATURES AND HIS FACE WAS HANDSOMER AND LONGER THAN IN THE PHOTOGRAPH. HE HAD A LONG, NARROW, POINTED NOSE AND LARGE EARS. FACE WAS LESS FLESHY THAN PHOTOGRAPH OF GALT. HE DESCRIBED DRIVER AS AGE ABOUT THIRTY, NOT LARGE FRAME, BROWN HAIR, NOT DARK, WHICH WAS SHORT, RECEDING AND MUCH SHORTER THAN IN PHOTOGRAPH AND BRUSHED STRAIGHT BACK. DID NOT VOLUNTEER, INFORMATION NOT ANSWERED QUESTIONS. GAVE IMPRESSION OF BEING PRECISE AND IMMACULATE. WAS WELL GROOMED AND NEAT.

TROOPER MARVIN WRIGHT, NEMP, WAS PRESENT AT THE ROAD CHECK AND DESCRIBED THE CAR AS FADED GREEN. HE DID NOT TALK WITH DRIVER, BUT RECALLED TROOPER WILLIAMS MENTIONING THE CAR HAD FLORIDA LICENSE BEGINNING WITH ONE ZERO V AND DRIVER HAD AN EXTREMELY SHORT NAME.

MIAMI REQUESTED TO CHECK REGISTRATION RECORDS FOR FIFTY FIVE OR FIFTY SIX DODGE BEARING LICENSE WITH PREFIX TEN V DASH, AT STOWARD COUNTY RATHER THAN JACKSONVILLE AT NVD TO ELIMINATE DUPLICATION OF WORK, LENGTHEN COMMUNICATIONS

**JK 44-769
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**REGARDING REGISTERED OWNERS, AND MORE ACCURACY NOTING
COUNTY RECORDS ARE CURRENT VEHICLES HAVE RECORDS ARE AS
FAR AS TWO MONTHS BEHIND.**

CHARLOTTE AND MEMPHIS ADVISED AM.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

4/18/68

TO: SAC, PHILADELPHIA
FROM: SAC, PITTSBURGH (44-578)
RE: MURKIN

Retelcon between Philadelphia and Pittsburgh this date.

Enclosed herewith for Philadelphia and one copy for Memphis is letter received by Pittsburgh from GERALD E. WALLS, inmate, State Correctional Institution, Huntingdon, Pa., dated 4/11/68.

Pittsburgh indices negative re WALLS.

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2-Philadelphia (Encl. 1)
1-Memphis (Encl. 1)(44-1987)
1-Pittsburgh
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Address all letters to: Name James Earl RayNo. C-866

Drawer R, Huntingdon, Pennsylvania 16652

STATE CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTION
AT HUNTINGDON
H. E. Russell, SuperintendentRELATIONSHIP: BusinessDATE: 4-11-68TO: Federal Bureau ofNUMBER AND
STREET: InvestigationCITY AND
STATE: Pittsburgh Pa.

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To whom it may concern;
I am almost positive of the identification
of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. killer; -
After seeing the sketch of the suspect in
the Pittsburgh Press, I am very certain.

You can contact me at Huntingdon State
Prison. I am inmate C-8669

Very Truly Yours,
James Earl Ray

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SAC, WFO

4-22-68

SAC, Memphis (44-1987) (P)

MURKIN
CR

Re Knoxville letter to Memphis dated 4-11-68.

Enclosed herewith for WFO is one copy of referenced Knoxville letter as it appears that the information contained therein has no significance in regard to MURKIN but will be of interest to the WFO. This letter pertains to ALLEN WELCH, who allegedly was National Secretary of the American Nazi Party several years ago.

2- Washington Field (enc. 1)
1- Knoxville (44-696) (info)
1- Memphis
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)

FROM : SAC, KNOXVILLE (44-696) (P)

SUBJECT: MURKIN
CIVIL RIGHTS
(OO: Memphis)

DATE: 4/11/68

On 4/10/68, HOWARD McCUSITON, Knoxville Parking Service, 5601 North Broadway, Knoxville, Tennessee, telephonically contacted SA HOWARD A. McKAMEY and indicated he had some information concerning the murder of MARTIN LUTHER KING.

On the same date SA McKAMEY contacted McCUSITON, and he provided the following information indicating that he desired that this information remain confidential.

He stated that approximately three years ago he was a member of the American Nazi Party (ANP) at Washington, D. C., and lived in the ANP barracks in that city. He stated he disassociated himself from the ANP three years ago and returned to Knoxville. While in Washington, D. C., he became acquainted with ALLEN WELCH who at that time was the national secretary or the national treasurer of the ANP in Washington, D. C., and worked full time at the ANP headquarters. He stated that WELCH at one time worked with an insurance company in Texas and that he is from either Houston or Dallas, Texas.

He stated he observed a photograph in the local newspaper indicating this individual was the murderer of KING. When he observed this photograph, ALLEN WELCH immediately came to his mind and at this time he looked through some ANP literature and obtained a photograph of WELCH which appeared in some literature he obtained just prior to his leaving Washington, D. C.

He stated that WELCH is a white male, age 32, weight 160 lbs., and has receding light brown or blonde hair, medium complexion, and 6 ft. to 6 ft. 1 in. in height. He stated that WELCH has sharp features and no visible scars or marks. He further advised that WELCH is of the emotional type and that one time in Washington, D. C., he threatened to kill himself.

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Enclosed to the Memphis Division is the above-mentioned photograph for any action that they may desire.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)

DATE: 4/21/68

FROM : SA JOSEPH M. BREWI

SUBJECT: MURKIN

At 2:55 am above date, a Mr. Bobby Scoggins, 525 Waldren, Memphis, Tenn., no phone, called and advised that for the past several days he has noticed a man who looks just like the picture of the subject where the eyes have been drawn in walking a medium size black and white dog. He added that this man walks this dog ~~XXXXXX~~ around the ~~XXXX~~ area of ~~XXX~~ Waldren and North Parkway between 2 and 3 pm but he was not observed on 4/20/68. This man seems to hide his face when someone comes by. Scoggins added that he thinks this man lives on North Parway near the corner of Waldren in one of the rooming houses located along there.

For information.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)

DATE: 4/21/68

FROM : SA Joseph M. Brewi

SUBJECT: Murkin

At 4:45 am above date, Mr. John Glimp ^D called and said he was now staying at a flop house at 299 S. Main, room six. He did not want to be contacted at this address. He added that his real address is 5264 Millington Road where his brother is in a rest home. He also advised that he did not want to be a witness or involved in captioned matter in anyway but wanted to past on the following information. During September of 1967 a Dan Parham told him that Marthin L. King would be slain in Memphis and that there would be \$100,000 on his head. Glimp was not too clear on whose head he meant and admitted he was ~~XXXX~~ half drunk while making this call. He added however, that Parham told him his information came out of ~~XXXXXX~~ Alabama.

He added that the last he saw of Parham was in November, 1967 when Parham got out of the Shelby County Jail, Memphis, Tenn. Parham has also served time in the Arkansas State Pen.

Glimp advised that he knew the FBI would look up his (Glimp's) record and see that he was an alcoholic etc. but he wanted to past on the above information anyway for what it was worth.

Glimp is no doubt ident with the John Glimp mentioned in Memphis closed file 91-3332. serial 47.

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