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TO DIRECTOR 44-58861, MENPHIS, LOSS ANGELES, PHOENTX, LAS-VEGAS, A. A. BUQUERQUE, EL PASO AND CHICAGO.

FROM DENVER 157-205

MURKIN

HELATEL THIS DATE TO DIRECTORY CONDERNING CARE RAY.L

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TELEPHONE NUMBER THREE-SEVEN SEVEN DASH ONE WINE EIGHT SEVEN,

13 LIGIDD TO MEE ROSA M. NIENHAUS ZNO-FIVE THREE SIX RACE ST., DENVEN

MRS. NIENHAUS IS AGED VIDOV WHO STATES DOES NOT KNOW CARL RAY.

MOS ANYONE RITTING DESCRIPTION OF BARL RAY. NO PRIEND OR RELATIVE

STAYED AT HER HOUSE IN RECENT PAST.

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FBI ST LOUIS

62.7PM UR OF NT 5-4-68 JLS

TO DIRECTOR, WEMPHIS, AND OHICAGO

FROM ST. LOUIS (4/4-775)

MURKIN - SUMMARA

JERRY RAY ARRIVED SL LAST NIGHT, TOLD BROTHER JOHN HE WAS SOING.
TO UN-NAMED WOTEL AND WOULD CONTACT HIM AT GRAPEVINE TAVERN NOON.
TODAY. ARRIVED GRAPEVINE THIS AFTERNOON AND IS STILL THERE.
HAS NOT CONTACTED OFFICE AS DIRECTED. NO SL INTERVIEW CONTEMPLATED UNLESS HE DOES. IF CALLS, WILL BE GIVEN TEMPHONE NUMBER OF HANNIBAL, NO., RA AND TOLD TO CONTACT ON ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE, GENTER,
MO. INTERVIEW ON DEPARTURE ANTICIPATED.

FELLOW PRISONER JOHN PAUL VELANTIANTERVIEWED. : NO SIGNIFICANT INFORMATION. SUGGESTED FORMER IMMAE. ORVILLE GANNUTH HAVE HOOWN SUBJECT. SE ATTMEPTING LOCATE GANN.

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F31 LAS VEAS:
655 PM 5-4-68 URSENT OLC
TO DIRECTOR, MENPHIS, PHOENIX, DENVER AND LOS ANGELES
FROM LAS VEGAS 157-133

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RE DATEL FIVE FOUR INSTANT.

TICKET AGENT DARYLE W. HOLTE, FRONTIER AIRLINES, MC CARRAN AIRPORT, LAS VEGAS ADVISED FIVE FOUR INSTANT THAT REVIEW FRONTIER RECORDS DISCLOSED ON POUR SIXTEEN INSTANT HE PERSONELLY ISSUED SERMAN SCHUMACHEM THREE SEVEN ZERO ONE EAST FIRST STREET, TUCSON, ARIZONA TWO REFUND CHECKS TOTALING IND HUNDRED EIGHTY-SIX DOLLARS AND SIXTY CENTS FOR TWO UNUSED ROUND TRIP FRONTIER TICKETS FROM PHOENIX TO ST. LOUIS AND RETURN PHOENIX NUMBERS ZERO TWO EIGHT.

TWO ZERO ONE SEVEN ONE ONE EIGHT FOUR ZERO AND SEIGHT FOUR ONE.

HOLTE COULD NOT RECALL THE TRANSACTION SUFFICIENTLY TO IDENTIFY
SCHUMACHER NOR COULD HE RECALL IF SCHUMACHER WAS ALONE OR ACCOMPANIED BY A WOMAN. HOLTE WAS SHOWN PHOTOS OF JAMES EARL RAY
BUT COULD EFFECT NO IDENTIFICATION.

- FRONTIER RECORDS FURTHER DISCLOSED THAT TICKET AGENT END PAGE ONE PAGE - 7WO - 7-34 LV - 15 7- 155

TEN (LARRY GLARK) BEGAN TO SELL MR AND MRS HE SCHWACHER TWO TICKETS
FROM LASS VESAS TO DENVER TO TUCSON FOUR SIXTEEN INSTANT BUT THEIR
TICKETS WERE VOIDED. CLARK THEN SOLD TWO ADDITIONAL TICKETS NUMBERS.
ZERO TWO EIGHT IND ZERO ONE SEVEN TWO ZERO ONE TWO EIGHT AND ONE
I'WO NIME TO MR AND MRSTH. SCHWACHER FOR FLIGHT NUMBER SEVEN ONE
ZERO FROM LAS VESAS TO ST. LOUIS FOUR SIXTEEN INSTANT WITH
RESERVATIONS EGATIMUING FOUR EIGHTEEN INSTANT FROM ST. L'OUIS TOUR
TUCSON ON FRONTIER FLIGHTS SEVEN ZERO FIVE AND SEVEN ZERO SEVEN.
THESE TICKETS WERE FAID FOR WITH FRONTIER TEMPORARY CREDIT GARD

ORIGINAL TRONTIER AIRLINE TRANSPORTATION RECTIFICATED CREDIT CARD PURCHASE SIGNED "H. J. SCHUMACRER" CAN BE LOCATED FRONTIER GENERAL ACCOUNTING OFFICE, DENVER.

ATTEMPTS TO COCATE LARRY CLARK FOR INTERVIEW EDNITINGING.

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TE PH LIPSENT 5-4-88 ARK

TO DISECTOR (44-38861), MIAMIT (44-1854), MEMPHIS, BIRMINGHAM AND . Jacksdnville.

FROM ATLANTA (44-2386) 2P

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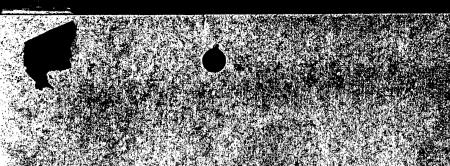
BE WIAMI TEL WAY STHREE CONCERNING LETTER BECETYED BY BIRMINGHAM OFFICE ON FOUR TWENTYNINE FROM HEZEL V. PERCOCK OKEECHOBEE FLAT

- BOIL EMPLOYERS OF CARPENTER AND SWITH POSITIVELY CONFIRM THAT THEY WERE AT WORK IN GRAY, GEORGIA APRIL FOUR EXST.

SMITH'S EMPLOYER, LEE WILL TAME MURSERY, ADVISED SMITH TOLD HIM ON APRIL FIVE OR SIX LASI. THAT CARPENTER HAD PLAYED JOKES ON GIRL PRIEND IN OKECHOBEE, FLORIDA. STATED CARPENTER SAID ME AND WITH HAD KILLED DR. KENS AND NEEDED TO BE PUT UP AND HIDDER DT. WILLIAMS ADVISES HE REPRIMANDED SMITH STATING THAT THIS WIND OF JOKING STATEMENTS VOULD CAUSE TROUBLE.

SMITH INTERVIEWED. CONFIRMED JOKE PHONE CALL AND ALSO THAT CARPENTER HAS BEEN TELLING GIRL TRIEND HEZEL PEACOCK HORROR STORIES AND ALL IS TALSE ABOUT SECRET ORGANIZATION, MURDERS, ETC. SMITH REPRIMANDED BY AGENTS AND APOLDGIZED AND PROMISED TO DISASSOCIATE SELF FROM CARPENTER, CARPENTER IS SHACKED UP WITH INIDENTIFIED -1984-Sub A=602

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AT 44-2585

FEWALE MAGON, GEORGIA, NOT TO RETURN TO CRAY, GEORGIA UNTIL MAY SIX SIXTYEIGHT. CARPENTER VILL BE CONTACTED.

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FBI ATLANTA

207 PAY INGENT 3-4-68 APPLY

TO DIRECTOR, MEMPHIS, BIRTHOMAN, LOS ANGELES, MANGAS CITY FROM A TLANDA (48-2386) (FS 18-

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Summary of investigation may four instant.

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INTERVIEW OF TAXI DRIVERS IN SOMECTION WITH EXPANDED

JAXI CAE CHECKICONTINGING. ACRESTIMENT INFORMATION RECEIVED.

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F31 PHOENIX

10:10 PM URGENT 5/4/68 GRC

TO: DIRECTOR, MEMPHIS, LOS ANGELES, LAS VEGAS, AND DENVER

FROM: PHOENIX (44-371)

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RE DENVER TELS TO PHOENTY INSTANT DATE RE CARL RAY AND TERMAN J. SCHUMACHER

INSTANT DATE ROBERT STRAITS, RESERVATIONS, FRONTIER

AIRLINES, PHOENIX, ADVISED THAT ON APRIL TWENTY SEVEN LAST HEISSUED TO A CARL RAY, TWO ROUND TRIP FLIGHT TICKETS FOR APRIL.

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FRONTIER FLIGHTS SE EN ZERO EIGHT AND SEVEN ZERO TEN, FIRST
CLASS AND CLARGED W IN CREDIT CAR # THREE ONE ZERO EIGHT EIGHT.

RAY DESCRIBED AS WM, DRTY, SIX FEET, ONE EIGHTY POUNDS, DARK
HAIR.

STRAITS FURTHER ADVISED THAT ON APRIL FIFTEEN LAST HE ISSUED TWO ROUND TRIP TICKEIS FROM PHOENIX TO SAINT LOUIS FIRST CLASS, VIA DENVER, ON FLIGHT SEVEN EIGHT EIGHT FRONTIER 44-1984- Lub-A-604 AIRLINES, TO A MR. SCHUMAKER ON TEMPORARY FAL CREDIT CARD

STRAITS DECRIBED SCHUMAKER AS WM, FORTY

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PY 44-371

TO FORTYFIVE, GIX FEET, IND HUNDRED AND TEN POUNDS, BROWN HEIR, SLOPPY DRESSED.

STRAITS ADVISED CARL RAY AND SCHUMAKER ARE NOT IDENTICAL AND THAT SUBJECT JAMES EARL RAY'S PHOTOS UNFAMILIAR TO HIM.

ON SAME DATE, MRS WANDA GARRETT, FAL, ADVISED ON APRIL GEVENTEEN LAST SHE ISSUED TWO ROUND TRIP TICKETS TO MR. SCHUMAKER, LWS VEGAS TO SAINT LOUIS, FIRST CLASS ON FLIGHT SEVEN ONE ZERO, CHARGED ON FAL CREDIT CARD ONE NINE EIGHT ONE EIGHT ISSUED APRIL NINTH LAST AT TUCSON. GARRETT DESCRIBED SCHUMAKER SAME AS STRAITS AND ADVISED PHOTOS OF JAMES EARL RAY UNFAMILIAR.

GARRETT FURTHER ADVISED NONE OF TICKETS PURCHASED 480VE HAD ANY ADDRESSES OR TELEPHONE NUMBERS OF CUSTOMERS, AND THAT ALL INFO RE APPLICATION FOR CREDIT CARDS SHOULD BE IN DENVER.

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TO : SAC, KANSAS CITY (44-760)

FROM : SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Kansas City/teletype, 5/3/68.

Submitted herewith is a single copy of a photograph taken of JAMES EARL RAY, Aka Eric S. Galt, in the Fall of 1967. It is believed this is a copy of the photograph furnished by one PATRICIA ANDERSON to a U. S. Postal Inspector. RAY in his correspondence with PATRICIA ANDERSON did use the name ERIC S. GALT.

For information of Kansas City, investigation at Los Angeles on May 2, 1968 showed subject as ERIC S. GALT possibly submitted 5 letters of introduction and photographs of himself to "The Local Swinger," Post Office Box 3802, Downey, California. This is a correspondence club and letters presumably were sent for transmittal to individuals on club list. One PATRICIA ANDERSON, 2800 Glenview, Los Angeles, located and interviewed. She said she received, unsolicited, two advertisements from "The Local Swinger," one letter and photograph from ERIC GALT, which she furnished U. S. Postal Inspector. She said mail came to her addressed to "PATRICIA SCHUBERT," her maiden name. She claims no information concerning club and was not a member. Stated she had no contact with GALT, does not know him, and believes her name possibly secured from an old magazine subscription list.

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FBI ST LOUIS
629PM URGENT 5-5-68 JLS
TO DIRECTOR, MEMPHIS AND CHICAGO
FROM ST. LOUIS (44-775)

MURKIN - SUMMARY

SOURCES AND SPOT CHECKS DISCLOSE JERRY RAY/STILL WITH

3ROTHER JOHN AT RESIDENCE AND GRAPEVINE TAVERN. THAS NOT

CONTACTED SL OFFICE. NO ACTIVITY CAROL PEPPER RESIDENCES.

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STRADER stated he had found a note in the recessed area of the speedometer of his car. (Mrs. STRADER pointed out that the speedometer has been broken; therefore, her husband was not normally attracted to the speedometer). She related this note was made up of words cut from newspapers and pasted on the back of a pocket calender (unable to describe the calendar). Mrs. STRADER said the note read in substance, "If you go to the police or the FBI you will be killed." Mrs. STRADER advised her husband, after returning with the note, proceeded en route Detroit, Michigan, and after a short period of time had elapsed, he telephonically contacted her, stating he was at the Holiday Inn, Bloomington, Illinois. Mrs. STRADER stated her husband informed her that upon reaching the road one mile north of the CARMICHAEL residence, and Route 66, he saw a 1966 or 1967 Chevrolet, tan in color, no license information, with two men in the car, parked along the road. Mrs. STRADER stated her husband told her that this car followed him en route Bloomington. However, they did not turn into the Holiday Inn when he did. Mrs. STRADER advised her husband then told her he was proceeding on to Detroit, Michigan,

Mrs. STRADER advised upon discussing above with her parents, her mother, Mrs. E. P. CARMICHAEL, stated she had noticed a late model, tan car, making several trips on the main rural road near the CARMICHAEL residence on the early morning of 4/22/68.

Mrs. STRADER advised that on the night of 4/22/68 her husband telephonically contacted her, but he would not disclose his location as he stated he was afraid to mention his location over the phone. She related her husband told her that he stopped at a rest stop area after leaving Indianapolis, Indiana. Upon leaving his car and walking the direction of the men's restroom, he saw a tan automobile occupied by two men driving very slow. He stated at this time the rider in this automobile fired a shot at him. STRADER told his wife the shot just missed his ear and he, STRADER, hit the ground where he laid as if he had been hit. STRADER stated that the tan car disappeared and he has not seen it since.

Mrs. STRADER stated her husband believesthis action was due to his being in the men's restroom at the Gulf Truck Stop, Lebanon, Tennessee, on 3/27/68, where he allegedly overheard five men planning to kill Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. Mrs. STRADER stated her husband told her that one of the men in the restroom was RAY, whom he recognized after RAY's photograph was published. She stated he further informed her that he would be able to recognize the other men he saw in the restroom. Mrs. STRADER advised she recalls being at the Gulf Truck Stop at Lebanon, Tennessee, on 3/29/68. She stated upon their leaving the truck stop, her husband did not mention to her anything of hearing of the plan to kill KING. She stated she does recall her

husband remarked, "If King goes back to Memphis he will be killed." Mrs. STRADER advised her husband did say he wanted to see CARL STERN of NBC, Washington, D.C, whom he knew but did not state why he desired to see STERN.

Mrs. STRADER advised her husband returned to the CARMICHAEL residence at Lexington, Illinois, on Friday, 4/26/68, where he stayed until the morning of Saturday, 4/27/68, at which time STRADER and his mother-in-law had an argument over Mrs. STRADER's son by a previous marriage. Mrs. CARMICHAEL told STRADER to leave, which he did.

Mrs. STRADER stated she told her husband she had contacted Mr. DONALD T. SULLIVAN, Assistant Special Agent in Charge, Springfield Office of the FBI, and that he, STRADER, should call Mr. SULLIVAN and set up an appointment; that Mr. SULLIVAN had informed her he would make an appointment to meet STRADER at any location or at any time when STRADER was available. Mrs. STRADER stated her husband told her he was afraid to attempt to meet with FBI Agents, as he felt he was being followed. Mrs. STRADER stated she was unable to convince her husband to make arrangements for a meeting with the FBI. She advised her husband is very much interested in obtaining protection.

Mrs. STRADER advised of some of her husband's activities, which are not concerning the murder of Dr. KING. She advised that she does not know all of her husband's business and that she is sure he has not told her all he knows.

Mrs. STRADER advised her husband is acquainted with RAYMOND STARNS of Baton Rouge, Louisiana, who told STRADER in the summer of 1967 that there were several businessmen in the area of Baton Rouge, Louisiana, who were taking up a collection to obtain money to have KING assassinated. Mrs. STRADER advised her husband is well acquainted She stated in the Baton Rouge and Denham Springs, Louisiana, area. he was, in the summer of 1967, connected with the E.C. Donnell Construction Company of Denham Springs, La., which was doing construction work for the telephone company. She related E. C. DONNELL Zives in She related DONNELL had an equipment rental business Dallas, Texas. and while STRADER and DONNELL were attempting to rent the equipment they were trying to gain financing for a recreational park in Louisiana similar to "Six Flags Over Texas/" She related that some way they came in contact with a CHARLES and LILLIAN SHAPIRO (ph) of Miami, Florida, who advised they could finance same but were not interested, in a recreational park but would be interested in financing a horse racing track. Mrs. STRADER advised Mr. DONNELL obtained RAYMOND STARNS to help locate his land which could be used as a horse racing park. He also obtained sanction of the sheriff, (FNU) IRWIN and SAM BOSKO, both of Slidell, La; however, "things got out of hand" and an article

appeared in "Life" magazine, and the Governor of Louisiana placed a stop to the entire operation.

Mrs. STRADER advised her husband is in telephonic contact with her daily but declines to furnish information as to his location over the telephone, as he is very afraid. Mrs. STRADER was advised to inform her husband if he has any information he desires to furnish to the FBI, he can contact any FBI Field Office, who will then arrange for an interview with him.

For information receiving offices, Inspector THOMAS E. BISHOP, SOG, on 4-24-68 advised he had received a telephone call from CARL STERN, Washington, D. C., NBC Office, who told him that a man (FNU) STRADER, whom he had met on one occasion while covering a story in the South, had, on 4-24-68, telephoned him from someplace around Toledo, Ohio. STRADER informed him he was en route to the home of his wife's parents in Lexington, He then told STERN a "fantastic tale" about him, STRADER, overhearing a conversation on 3-29-68 in Lebanon, Tennessee, concerning the killing of MARTIN LUTHER KING. Apparently STRADER was of the impression that the people involved in the conversation knew he had overheard them, and they had taken his license number. STRADER believed there had been at least one shot fired at him since that time. STRADER informed STERN he had vital information concerning KING's murder and called STERN for advice as to what he should do. STERN advised STRADER to call the Springfield Office of the FBI and they would make arrangements to have someone meet him at his convenience in their territory. According to Mr. STERN, BISHOP stated that STRADER is afraid to approach any office and may desire to have someone meet him at a location other than an office.

The files of the Springfield Office contain the following references to ROBERT STRADER, however, it cannot be determined at this point whether or not they refer to ROBERT HOOD STRADER of Lexington, Illinois:

On 11-19-65 ROBERT STRADER, 6'1" - 2", 175 lbs., employed cutting timber near Edwardsville, Illinois, and in construction work at Southern Illinois University, Edwards-ville, Illinois, was considered a suspect in the robbery of the Hamel State Bank, Bufile 91-20560, SIfile 91-2642.

In 10-66 prosecution of ROBERT H. STRADER was declined in an ITSMV matter which involved a rental car. ROBERT H. STRADER had represented himself as an employee of General Telephone Co., of Illinois, registering at two motels at Bloomington, Illinois, and had skipped without properly checking out and without paying for his room. SHRADER could not be located at that time but was described as a white, male, 35 - 40, 5'10" - 6', 150 lbs., dark brown hair, medium build and medium complexion. He was subject of SIfile 26-29006.

One ROBERT HOOD STRADER was subject of an ITSMV; UFAP - AUTO THEFT case in which Milwaukee was 00,9/63, Bufile 26-316708, SIfile 26-23403. This individual had a rather extensive arrest record dating back to 11/48 at which time he was AWOL and which involved record of arrest for issuing worthless checks, mail fraud, investigation of forgery, and defrauding an innkeeper. ROBERT H. STRADER whose FBI No. was given as 244 633 A, was twice a patient at hospitals, one as a patient at the Patton State Hospital concerning which finger-prints were furnished by the State Bureau of Identification, Sacramento, California, on 8-3-60 and subsequently again on 9-21-60, was a patient at Atascadero State Hospital, California. That individual was described as white, male, approximately 6'3", 190 lbs., fair complexion, hazel eyes, brown hair and was considered to have suicidal tendencies.

A check through NCIC on 4-30-68 indicated ROBERT STRADER was not currently wanted.

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FROM SF TO OLYMPIA VIA GREVHOUND BUS, LEAVING GATE TWENTYTWO AT TEN
TWENTY P.M. ON APRIL TWENTYMINE LAST, WITH MAN RESEMBLING SUBJECT
AND ACTING SUSPICIOUS. HE ENTERED BUS AFTER WAITING AT GATE TWENTYTHREE,
FOR THE PORTLAND BUS WITH SEVERAL OTHER PASSENGERS. SHE BELIEVES HIM TO
HAVE TRANSFERRED ONTO THE BUS, RATHER THAN ORIGINATING IF SP, DUE TO
TYPE OF TICKET IN HIS POSSESSION. SHE DID NOT SEE HIM AFTER THE PORTLAND
STOP. SUBJECT DESCRIBED: WAS, THIRTYFIVE TO FORTY, FIVE FEET EIGHT TO
TEN INCHES, THIN BUILD, DAMK BROWN HAIR, IN NEED OF HAIR CUT, AND HAIR
DOWN BACK OF NECK, SPECKLED WITH GRAY, DEFINITE WIDOW'S PEAK IN FROMT.
NEEDED SHAVING AND BEARD DARK BROWN, MUSTACHE LIGHT BROWN COVERING
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SAN FRANCISCO DETERMINE IDENTITY OF SAN FRANCISCO BUS DRIVER AND INTERVIEW RE PERTINENT INFORMATION.

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TO:

SAC, PHILADELPHIA

FROM:

SAC, PITTSBURGE (44-578) (P)

SUBJECT:

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At about 10:15 p.m., 5/2/68, Mr. CALVIN PLYLER.
Bartow, W. Va., telephonically advised SA CHENGE A. PATTERSON that on 4/22/68 two white males in a 1961 or 1962 white Chevrolet Impela bearing Louisians license, number unknown, purchased gas and tires in the amount of \$42.28 at PLYLER's Gulf Station in Bartow, using Gulf Credit Card # in the name of 8, G. STEINER, address not recalled in Louisiana. One of the men who was wearing cowboy hat and cowboy boots signed the purchase slip with the name, JANES HAMMONS. He stated he was from Oklahoma and had just arrived in the area to work with a core drilling outfit. PLYLER discovered that HAMMONS left the area immediately after the purchase, and there are no drillers in the area. Also, this credit card had been cancelled about one week prior to 4/22/68.

On 5/2/68, FLYLER read in a newspaper that JAMES EARL RAY had an associate from New Orlune, La., named STRIN and similarities in names, STRIN and STRINER, caused him to conclude that HAMMONS may have been RAY. He could not recall descriptions of the man with HAMMONS, other than he was a white male with a "fat face." PLYLER said he recorded license number of the Chevrolet on the purchase slip, but no longer has record of the number as the slip has been forwarded to Gulf Oil Company Headquarters in Philadelphia, Pa. PLYLER also advised that information that the card had been cancelled came from Gulf headquarters in Houston, Texas.

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MINUSTON and MEN ORLEANS - INFORMATION

Information copies for Mousten and New Orleans in the event investigation may be requested of these offices by Philadelphia.

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AT PHILADELPHIA, PA.

- 1. Contact Gulf Oil Corporation and ascertain identity of S. G. STEINER and JANES HAMMONS: address of STEINER; and why Gulf Credit Card No. The Card
- 2. Obtain purchase slip, ascertain license number, and determine to whom license issued.
- 3. If this investigation does not eliminate possible connection with subject JAMES HARL MAY, investigation should be requested of New Orleans and Newston and purchase slip forwarded to FBI Laboratory for fingerprint examination.

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TELETYPE URGENT

TO DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861) AND SAC, CHICAGO (44-1114)
FROM NEWARK (44-854)

MURKIN

RE: CHICAGO TEL TO BUREAU APRIL TWO LAST, REQUESTING TELEPHONE NUMBER OF MARJORIE FETTERS.

TELEPHONE NUMBER FOR MARJORIE FETTERS IS AREA CODE SIX ZERO NINE, NINE SIX FOUR - FOUR NINE TWO THREE.

NEWSPIEL REPORTS THIS A.M. REFLECT THAT JERRY RAY,
BROTHER-OF NOTICE RAY, HAS RESIGNED HIS POSITION IN CHICAGO
AND HIS WHERE THE STATE OF THE SITUATION AS FETTERS HAS GIVEN
BIRTH TO A BABY BOY AND IS CURRENTLY IN WEST JERSEY HOSPITAL,
CAMDEN, N. J. NEWARK REQUESTS THIS INFORMATION AS THE
POSSIBILITY EXISTS THAT IF JERRY RAY'S WHEREABOUTS ARE
UNKNOWN HE MAY POSSIBLY APPEAR IN THE CAMDEN, N.J., AREA.
NEWARK TAKING APPROPRIATE STEPS TO INSURE THAT IF HE DOES
APPEAR THEY WILL BE NOTIFIED.

MAIL COPIES TO MEMPHIS AND KANSAS CITY.

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AIRMAIL

TO:

DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM:

SAC, TAMPA (157-3231) (P)

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(OO: MEMPHIS)

He Kansas City airtel, 4/27/68, enclosing FD 302s concerning CARLOS LEE BILLINGS.

Re airtel requested Tampa to locate and interview parents of JIM or GLENN BARBER, who were reportedly operating trailer park in Ft. Myers, Fla., in 1965.

The following contacts were made by SA A. LEWIS BARNETT in the Ft. Myers, Fla., area on May 2 and 3, 1968, in an effort to locate a family by the name of BARBER who operated a trailer park in Ft. Myers, in 1965, or to locate a record of JIM or GLENN BARBER. All contacts were negative:

PAN PETTIT, Lee County Zoning Board, Lee County Courthouse

EILEEN FARABRE, Lee County Tax Collector's Office, Lee County Courthouse. (It is noted that Mrs. FARABEE advised that a family by the name of BARBER had never obtained a permit to operate a trailer park in Lee County.)

Mr. PAUL CALDWELL, Lee County Clerk's Office, Land Records, Lee County Courthouse

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Mrs. RUTH BAUCON, Lee County Clerk's Office, Land-Lease Agreements, Lee County Courthouse

Mrs. RUTH WERTZ, Better Business Division, Ft. Myers-Lee County Chamber of Commerce

MAY WISE, Caloosa Trailer Park, 1209 N. Tamiami Trail, North, Ft. Myers, Fla.

ALBERT HUSTEDT, Hidden Cove Trailer Park, 2961 Frierson St., Ft. Myers.

Mrs. M. WELCH, Palm 'N Pine Trailer Town, 1016 Superior, Ft. Myers

Mr. WILLIAM SONNENBERG, Sun-N-Fun Trailer Park, Rt. 80, Ft. Myers, Fla.

Mrs. GLADYS COON, Ft. Myers Trailer Park and Supply, 311 Cleveland Ave., Ft. Myers

BYHON TENNISON, Secretary and Treasurer, Florida Mobile Home Association, 311 Cleveland Ave., Ft. Myers. (Mr. TENNISON advised that his organization keeps records of all major trailer parks and, in his capacity as Manager of the Ft. Myers Trailer Park and Supply Co., for the last 12 years, he has become familiar with all trailer parks in the area of Ft. Myers. He stated he feels that had a family by the name of BARBER operated a trailer park for any length of time in the Ft. Myers area, he would know about it. He stated he cannot associate the mame of BARBER with any trailer park operation in Lee County.)

HENRY WRIGHT, Identification Officer, Lee County SO

SHELLY DEMKO, Records Clerk, Ft. Myers PD

CAROL BARRY, Lee County Credit Bureau.

The Ft. Myers telephone and city directories shows no listing under the name of GLENN or JAMES BARBER nor a Barber Trailer Park.

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TO:

SAC. LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

FROM:

SAC, BALTIMORE (44-669) P

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Los Angeles tel to Baltimore and Memphis,

4/26/68.

Mrs. STANLEY WHITNEY OLSON (MARGARET STELLA OLSON), age 60, residing in a trailer home behind the Star-Lite Inn, Pocomoke City, Maryland with mailing address of P.O. Box 245, Pocomoke City, and having home telephone number (Area 301) 957-2337, provided the following information:

She advised that she is the mother of KATHERINE PATRICIA OLSON VILLIAR, a white female born at Quantico, Virginia, 5'5" tall, 110-115 lbs., gray-green eyes, brunette hair, attractive facial features. She is known generally as PAT OLSON. Her husband, ROBERT WILLIAR, died in Baltimore, Maryland about 6-7 years ago of a brain tumor. Her child, DENISE DAWN WILLIAR, born resides with Mrs. STANLEY OLSON at Peccasoke City, Maryland.

About two years ago her daughter, hereafter referred to as PAT, left Maryland and traveled to Coral Gables, Florida in the company of an unknown man, leaving her daughter behind. Her address or employment there unknown. She stayed for a period in Florida, and then went to New Orleans whereshe resided for a short period of time. Her address or employment there also unknown to Mrs. STANLEY OLSON. She apparently

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was taking some type of drugs during this period, and was seldom in contact with her parents. She has no particular occupation, and has become a "drifter", according to Mrs. S. CLSON. She went to Mexico, location not known, after leaving New Orleans and after a short stay there, went to California, where she is currently believed to be residing.

Mrs. S. OLSON provided some letters from PAT from which the following addresses were obtained:

12/20/67 - PAT OLSON, 5842 Carlton Way, Hollywood, California. Leter with this return address was postmarked Los Angeles, California (36) on indicated date.

11/29/67 - PAT OLSON, 5842 Carlton Way, Los Angeles, California, Apt. 3.

11/25/67 - PAT OLSON, St. Francis Hotel, Room 527, Hollywood and Western Blvd., Los Angeles, Californis.

4/27/67 - PAT OLSON, 1746 North Gramercy Flace, Apt. 16, Hollywood, California.

3/31/67 - K. WILLIAR, in care of TERRY CALLIGAN, 1746 South Gramercy Place, Hollywood, California.

Mrs. S. OLSON advised that on a date she recalls to be 3/18/68, PAT telephoned her from somewhere in California. The conversation was general, and PAT mentioned that she was babysitting for some woman in California, city not named. Nothing was said concerning anything relating to MURKIN. On about 4/3-4/68 PAT called again from California and the conversation again was general. PAT spoke most of the time with her daughter DENISE. Several days after receiving that last call on 4/3-4/68 Mrs. S. OLSON received an inquiry from the telephone operator concerning that call. The operator advised her that a PAT OLSON was using a telephone credit card of another person. No inquiries from the telephone company were received after the call of 3/18/68.

BA 44-669

Mrs. S. OLSON advised that she does not know any of PAT's friends in California. She has never heard the name of CHARLES or RITA STEIN, MARIE MARTIN or MARIN. The name, aliases and photograph of JAMES EARL RAY are unknown to her. Mrs. S. OLSON advised that her husband, age 50, is employed with the Contee Construction Co., Baltimore, Maryland, Telephone 636-3758, and is not home during the week. She is certain that he would not be familiar with the names of STEIN or MARTIN or RAY.

Los Angeles, determine if PAT OLSON is known to STEIN's and interview OLSON for knowledge of subject.

PM URGENT 5/4/68 OLP

TO DIRECTOR (44-1861)

FROM NEW ORLEANS (157-10673) 1P
MURKIN.

RE PHOENIX TEL TO DIRECTOR FIVE THREE LAST.

RE: TELCALL FROM EL PASO NUMBER SEVEN SEVEN
TWO ZERO SIX FOUR SIX TO NEW ORLEANS NUMBER
TWO EIGHT TWO - SEVEN FIVE NINE ONE,
DECEMBER SIXTEEN. NINETEEN SIXTYSEVEN.

NEW ORLEANS PHONE NO. TWO EIGHT TWO - SEVEN FIVE

NINE ONE A NON-PUBLISHED NUMBER LISTED TO ARNOLD THOMAS,

THREE FIVE TWO THREE, HAMBURG ST., NEW ORLEANS.

ON FIVE FOUR SIXTY-EIGHT ARNOLD AND ISABELLE THOMAS INTERVIEWED AND COULD NOT RECALL PHONE CALL FROM EL PASO, TEX., ON DEC. SIXTEEN, SIXTYSEVEN. THOMAS AND WIFE BOTH NEGROES AND STATED THEIR SON HAD DIED IN LOS ANGELES ON DEC. ELEVEN, SIXTYSEVEN, AND HIS BODY HAD BEEN CARRIED BY HIS BROTHER FROM LOS ANGELES TO NEW ORLEANS ARRIVING NEW ORLEANS DEC. SEVENTEEN SIXTYSEVEN. THOMAS STATED THIS CALL UNDOUBTEDLY FROM BROTHER TRANSPORTING BODY OF DECEASED SON.

NEW ORLEANS INDICES CONTAIN NO INFORMATION IDENTIFIABLE WITH ARNOLD THOMAS OR ISABELLE THOMAS.

NEW ORLEANS LOCATING SON FOR INTERVIEW IN REGARDS INSTANT CALL.
AIRMAIL COPIES TO MEMPHIS, PHOENIX, AND EL PASO.

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The Atlanta teletype to Director letter \$/3/88c

Parameted communication requesting Rename City to advise Atlanta of Edentities of all recent releasess from Massouri Stote Penitentiary from Adanta area. These remarks reveal that the only releases from Atlanta wince of 1/67 in a CONNY WELANTI NO is now reportedly registed by toletype.

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FBI CHICAGO

935 AM URGENT 5/6/68 JSM

TO MEMPHIS (44-1987) AND JACKSON (157-9586)
FROM CHICAGO 44-1114

MURKIN THREATS TO MARTIN LUTHER KING.

WEEK BEFORE KING WAS KILLED IN MEMPHIS HE WAS IN THAT CITY VISITING BROTHER WHO WAS PATIENT AT HOSPITAL. WHILE THERE, HE HEARD RUMOR SUPPOSEDLY PREVALENT IN MEMPHIS AT THAT TIME BECAUSE OF RIOTING AFTER DR. KING'S MARCH THERE. RUMOR TO EFFECT THAT BRADY CARROLL, FORMER CONSTABLE, GRENADA COUNTY, MISS., WAS SUPPOSED TO HAVE STATED THAT IF KING CAME BACK TO MEMPHIS AFTER RIOTS WERE OVER, HE, CARROLL, WAS GOING TO HAVE HIM KILLED. BROWNLOW COULD FURNISH NO POSITIVE INFO ONLY THE FOREGOING RUMOR.

GRADY CARROLL. MEMPHIS HANDLE. ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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FBI MEMPHIS

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731 ATLANTA 249PM URGENT 5-6-63 LCS TO DIRECTOR, CHICAGO, AND MEMPHIS FROM ATLANTA 44-2336

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RE ATLANTA TEL MAY ONE LAST!

CHARLES V. TYSON, MANAGER, HERTZ RENTALS, ALBANY, GA., ADVISED HE IS IN RECEIPT OF INFORMATION FROM HERTZ IN CHICAGO THAT VEHICLE DESCRIBED RETEL TURNED IN MAY TWO LAST, EVERGREEN PARK, ILL., TWO FIVE FIVE EIGHT WEST NINETYFIETH ST. HE INSTRUCTED THEM NOT TO TOUCH VEHICLE UNTIL PROCESSED BY BUREAU.

CHICAGO, AT EVERGREEN PARK, ILL. CONTACT HERTZ OFFICIALS,
DEVELOP INFO RE PERSON WHO TURNED IN VEHICLE, AND PROCESS VEHICLE
FOR LATENT PRINTS FOR COMPARISON WITH PRINTS OF JAMES EARL RAY.

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320PM URSENT 5-6-68 BL#

TO DIRECTOR (44-35861), MIAMI, MEMPHIS (44-1987) AND BIRMINOHAM

FROM TAMPA (15.7-323.1) 3P

MURKIN

ON MAY SIX INSTANT, CAROL YVOINE CROWLEY, NEE MANKIN,

ADVISED SHE AND HER HUSBAND, ALTON RAY OROWLEY, MAD A DISAGREEMENT AND ME HAD ABANDONED HER IN PINELLAS PARK, FLA.,

ON MAY FIVE LAST. SHE ADVISED SHE AND HER HUSBAND STAYED

AT SUENA VISTA HOTEL, FOUR ZERO NINE NORTH DIXIE, WESI PALM
BEACH, FLA., FROM APPROXIMATELY APRIL ONE EIGHT TO APRIL

TWENTY-FIVE LAST. SEH DESCRISED THIS MOTEL AS A RUN DOWN

ROOMING HOUSE WITH APARTMENTS IN THE REAR. ON THE BAY SHE

AND HER HUSBAND DEPARTED WEST PALM BEACH, SEVERAL OCCUPANTS

OF THE ROOMING HOUSE HAD A IDSCUSSION IN THE HALL OF THE

ROOMING HOUSE AT WHICH TIME SHE PAID PARTICULAR ATTENTIONS AND ALL MAND TO ONE OF THE INDIVIDUALS INASMUCH AS HE WAS DRESED IN A

NICE BUSINESS SUIT, BOW TIE AND SOME TYPE OF BOOTS, IT STIND

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UNUSUAL FOR ANYONE IN THIS ROOMING HOUSE TO BE WEARING A SUIT. DURING CONVERSATION, THIS INDIVIDUAL SAID HIS NAME WAS JESS (LNU) AND THAT HE WAS FROM TENNESSEE. DURING THIS CONVERSATION TWO BOYS, AGES TWELVE AND SEVENTERN WHO LIVE WITH MOTHER ON THIRD FLOOR OF HOTEL, WERE ALSO PRESENT. CROWLEY WAS OF THE OPINION THAT THIS INDIVIDUAL ONLY HAD A ROOM AT THE HOTEL. SHE DESCRIBED HIM AS A WHITE MALE, TWENTY-EIGHT, FIVE FEET NINE INCHES TO FIVE FEET ELEVEN INCHES, ONE HUNDRED FIFTY-FIVE LES. WITH DARK BROWN HAIR.

SHE AND HUSBAND TRAVELED TO COCOA, FLA., APPROXIMATELY APRIL TWENTY-FIVE LAST AND SAW PICTURE OF JAMES EARL RAY ON TV AND BOTH SHE AND HUSBAND FELT CERTAIN RAY AND PREVIOUSLY-DESCRIBED INDIVIDUAL IDENTICAL. STATED NEITHER SHE MOR HUSBAND KNEW TO WHOM THEY SHOULD REPORT THIS MATTER. WHILE IN PINELLAS PARK POLICE STATION, TOLD LOCAL PD AND CROWLEY INTERVIEWED THIS DATE, BY BUAGENT AND WAS DISPLAYED IN AND WANTED FLYER OF SUBJECT. CROWLEY SAID SHE FELT END PAGE TWO

ALMOST CERTAIN THAT SUBJECT IDENTICAL TO INDIVIDUAL MENTIONED ABOVE. IT WAS POINTED OUT TO CROWLEY THE DISCREPANCY IN AGES, HOWEVER, SHE MAINTAINED HER OPINION THAT SUBJECT AND INDIVIDUAL IDENTICAL. IT IS NOTED CAROL CROWLEY APPEARED TO BE AN EMOTIONALLY STABLE AND HONEST INDIVIDUAL.

MIAMI, AT WEST PALM BEACH, WILL CONDUCT APPROPRIATE INVESTIGATION AT BUENA VISTA HOTEL TO LOCATE JESSE ABOVE AND DETERMINE IF IDENTICAL.

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FBI MEMPHIS

FBI SANANTON

446PM COT URGENT 5-5-65 DMS

TO DIRECTOR AND MEMPHIS

FROM SAN ANTONIO (44-1242)

MURKIN

RE KANSAS CITY TELETYPE, APRIL TWENTY NIME LAST TO SUREAU, MEMPHIS AND SAL ANTONIO.

FRONT SOURCES, PORT BROWNSVILLE-PORT ISABEL (CAMERON COUNTY, IEXAS) AREA NEGATIVE AS TO LATEO LOPEZ GARCIA OR MATEO GARCIA LOPEZ. SOURCES ALERTED AS TO SUBJECT RAY.

THESE SOURCES ADVISE APPROXIMATELY FIVE HUNDRED SHRIP
FISHING VESSELS OPERATE OUT OF THIS AREA, ALL OF WHICH FISH
SOUTHERN GULF AREA, INCLUDING BAY OF CAMPECHE AT VARIOUS TIME.

SUCH BOATS USUALLY REDEZVOUS IN SKALLOW WATER AREA, COMMONLY.

KNOWN AS CAMPECHE FLATS TITHIN SIGHT OF CAMPECHE, EXICO, TO

TR WIFER SHRIMP CATCH, SUPPLIES, IC. AMERICAN SEAMEN ARE NOT
ALLOWED IN PORT OF CAMPUCHE XCEPT EMPRGENCY BASIS, BUT FISHERMEN DESIRING TO VISIT PLACES OF A WEEKENT CAN USUALLY ARRANGE TO

DO SO CLAMPSTINELY TAPOUGH CONTACT WITH MEXICAN OPERATING SWALL
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VESSELS KNOWN AS "BUM BOATS" OR CAYUQUEROS," WHICH BRING WOMEN,
LIQUOR, MARIJUAN, ETC. OUT TO SHRIMP BOATS FROM CAMPBONE, MEXICO,
FOR EXCHANGE FOR CASH, FRESHLY CAUGHT SHRIMP, BOAT EQUIPMENT OR
ANY OTHER DESIRED ANTICLES IN POSSESSION OF SUCH FISHERMEN.
KANSAS CITY FURNISHED AIR MAIL COPY.

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FBI JACKS VLE

5:52 PM EDT URGENT 5/6/68 JLC

TO DIRECTOR, MIAMI AND MEMPHIS

FROM JACKSONVILLE (44-769) 2P

MURKIN

RE UNKNOWN INDIVIDUAL ABOARD TRANS CHAPLAIN.

ON MAY FIVE LAST MR. JAMES OWENS TELEPHONICALLY ADVISED AN INDIVIDUAL HE BELIEVES SIMILAR IN APPEARANCE TO PHOTOGRAPH OF JAMES EARL RAY WAS DRINKING IN THE GOLDEN EARRING LOUNGE, DUNNS AVENUE, JACKS ONVILLE. UNKNOWN INDIVIDUAL DEPARTED DURING TELEPHONE CALL TO JAMES ON JAMES ASCERTAINED TO BE REGISTERED TO JAMES ON JOWERS, JACKS ONVILLE. JOWERS IS ELDERLY RETIRED MERCHANT SEAMAN AND MET UNSUB AND ANOTHER INDIVIDUAL, NAME UNKNOWN, WHO IS REPORTEDLY ORIGINEER OF TRANS CHAPLAIN, A T TWO TANKER UNDER MSTS CHARTER ON MAY FIVE LAST. UNSUB REPORTEDLY DECK MAINTENANCE MAN ABOARD ABOVE SHIP; JOWERS SPENT MOST OF DAY WITH TWO SEAMEN. JOWERS STATED HE WAS NOT GOOD AT IDENTIFYING PHOTOGRAPHS OF INDIVIDUALS AND WOULD BE UNABLE TO FURNISH AN OPINION AS TO SIMILARITY IN APPEARANCE BETWEEN UNSUB AND SUBJECT. UNSUB ABOUT FORTY, DRESSED IN SUIT AND TIE, VERY MEAT IN APPEARANCE, SHORT HAIR, AND CASHED ONE HUNDRED DOLLAR BILL FOR TAYMENT DE DRIMS. TRANS CHARNAIN EXTENDED.

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WEST, FLORIDA, TEN P.M. MAY FIVE LAST. APPHOXIMATE RUNNING TIME TO KEY WEST THIRTYSIX HOURS.

EDMOND BARZYK, OWNER, GOLDEN EARRING, WHO CASHED ONE HUNDRED DOLLAR BILL RECALLED UNSUB BUT WAS UNABLE TO RECALL SUFFICIENTLY TO EXPRESS OPINION AS TO SIMILARITY TO SUBJECT.

MIAMI AT KEY WEST ASCERTAIN IF UNSUS REPORTEDLY DECK MAINTENANCE.
MAN ON TRANS CHAPLAIN IS IDENTICAL WITH SUBJECT.

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720PM URGENT 5-6-68 JLS

TO DIRECTOR, MEMPHIS AND CHICAGO

TOM ST. LOUIS (44-775)

MURKING - SUMMARY

JERRY, RAY AITH BROTHER JOHN IN SL AS OF FIVE THENTY P.M.
THIS DATE: HAP MOTO CONTACTED SL OFFICE.

JERRY RAYNES, FATHER, CENTER, MO., REINTERVIEVED. WAS VISITED BY CAROL PEPPER AND CHILDREN YESTERDAY. UNABLE TO SUGGEST WHEREABOUTS OF SUBJECT:

*FELLOW PRISONER INTERVIEWS AND RESOLUTION OF LOCAL LOOK.
ALIKES CONTINUING.

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7:33PM URGENT 5-6-68 DPK
TO DIRECTOR (44-38861), MEMPHIS, AND BIRMINGHAM
FROM LOS ANGELES (44-1574).

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RE DYRELL DENNIS

EDGAR JOHN PENDLETON INTERVIEWED MAY SIX INSTANT.

STATED HE RESIDED IN ST. FRANCIS MOTEL FROM MARCH EIGHT LAST TO

APRIL SIXTEEN LAST WHEN HE ENTERED ORTHOPEDIC HOSPITAL, LOS

ANGELES FOR SUPPERY. PENDLETON IN RECEIPT OF LETTER FROM

DYRELL DENNIS, RETURN ADDRESS FOUR THREE FIVE WEST MICHIGAN

ST., APT. TWO ZERO EIGHT, MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN, POSTMARKED MILWAUKEE

APRIL NINETEEN LAST, LETTER IN PART STATES "HAVE YOU SEEN RAY?

I HOPE HE IS OKAY."

PENDLETON ADVISED LOUIS LOMAX HAS BEEN IN CONTACT WITH

HIM ON TWO OCCASIONS, THE SECOND TIME AFTER ABOVE LETTER REQUIVED.

HE GAVE LOMAX DENNIS' ADDRESS AND TOLD LOMAX DENNIS WELL ACQUAINTED

WITH INDIVIDUAL KNOWN TO PENDLETON AS RAY SELMA (PH). PENDLETON

STATED LOMAX TOLD HIM MARIÉ (LNU), (REFERS TO MARIE MARTIN),

COCKTAIL WAITRESS AT SULTAN ROOM, ST. FRANCIS HOTEL, HAD ADVISED

LOMAX THAT HE, PENDLETON, KNEW DYRELL DENNIS AND RAY SELMA.

PENDLETON ADVISED RAY SELMA IS MEXICAN-AMERICAN, THIRTY SEVEN TO

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FORTY YEARS OF AGE, DARK COMPLEXION, WINDY LAST SEEN AT ST.

FRANCIS HOTEL ON APRIL THIRTEEN OR FOURTEEN LAST. PENDLETON.

ADVISED DENNIS WAS MARCOTIC USER AND HE PRESUMED BAY SELMA ALSO

A REER. (DENNIS HAS BEEN INTERVIEWED AT MILWAUKEEN).

PHOTOGRAPHS OF JAMES EARL RAY SHOWN PENDLETON WHO STATED HE COULD NOT RECOGNIZE THEN AS IDENTICAL TO RAY SELMA!

PRIOR INVESTIGATION AT LOS ANGELES, INDICATES BAY SELMA
REFERRED TO BY PENDLETON MAY BE IDENTICAL TO RAY FERNANDEL.
INVESTIGATION CONTINUES AT LOS ANGELES TO LOCATE AND INTERVIEW RAY
FERNANDEL.

RE PUERTO VALLARTA

INVESTIGATION AT LOS ANGELES CONTINUES TO LOCATE AND INTERVIEW
HOTEL GUESTS AT THIS RESORT AT SAME TIME AS SUBJECT. THOSE
INTERVIEWED, NEGATIVE TO DATE.

RE QUOTE THE LOCAL SVINGER END QUOTE.

RECEIPIENTS OF LOCAL SWINGER INTERVIEWED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS RE WHEREABOUTS OF SUBJECT OR ANY CONTACT WITH HIM.

" , Telephone subscribers on vartous leads on long distance calls December fifteen through seventeen sixty seven obtained and all Being interviewed.

INVESTIGATION CONTINUES.

AIR MAIL COPIES TO MELVAUKEE AND ATLANTA.

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1054PM URGENT 5-6-68 GEB
TO BUREAU, ST. LÖUIS, MEMPHIS, NEW OFLEANS, AND CHARLOTTE
FROM LITTLE ROCK (187-1215). P
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RE LITTLE ROCK TEL TO BUREAU, MEMPHIS, ST. LOUIS FOUR TWENT *FOUR SIXTYEIGHT.

PCI RUSSELL LEE MARTIN (PROTECT IDENTITY) FURNISHED THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

HE WAS IN ST. LOUIS FIVE FOUR - FIVE SIXTYEIGHT AND CONTACTED CARL.

DRAKE WHO WAS DESCRIBED AS GOOD FRIEND OF RAY WHEN BOTH IN MISSOURI.

STATE PRISON. STATED DRAKE LIVES SOUTH ST. LOUIS, IS A NARCOTIC ADDICK.

AND PUSHER. HE GOT DRAKES TELEPHONE NUMBER FROM ST. LOUIS TELEPHONE BOOK.

HE STARTED CONVERSATION WITH DRAKE BY STATING HE WAS SHOCKED ON

LEARNING THAT RAY WILLED XING. DRAKE ANSWERED BY STATING RAY CALLED HIM.

DRAKE, TWICE SINCE KING WAS KILLED, ONCE FROM NEW ORLEANS, LA., AND ONCE

FROM NORTH CAROLINA. HE STATED DRAKE ALSO TOLD HIM THAT RAY WAS NOW

DRIVING WHITE CHEVROLET CAMARO AND HAD SUB-MACHINE GUN. DRAKE ALSO

STATED RAY TOLD HIM HE HAD PLENTY OF MONEY.

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PCI TOLD DRAKE IF RAY CALLED AGAIN TO TEEL HIM TO CONTACT PCI.

PCI GAVE DRAKE HIS ADDRESS AND PHONE NUMBER IN BLYTHEVILLE, ARKANSAS.

"" IN VIEW OF INFORMATION FURNISHED PCI REQUEST DRAKE NOT BE
INTERVIEWED AS HE FELLS DRAKE WOULD KNOW SOURCE OF INFORMATION.

RELIABILITY PCT NOT KNOWN AS HE HAS ONLY BEEN CONTACTED FOR TWO WEEKS HOWEVER HE HAS FURNISHED RELIABLE INFORMATION REGARDING NARCOTICS.

LEAD PREVIOUSLY SET FORTH IN RETEL FOR ST LOUIS TO INTERVIEW CARL DRAKE, RESULTS OF WHICH NOT KNOWN TO LITTLE ROCK.

DRAKE SHOULD NOT BE INTERVIEWED AT THIS TIME IN VIEW OF INFORMATION OBTAINED BY PCI AS PCI MAY BE ONLY PERSON DRAKE HAS TOLD.

WHEN DRAKE IS INTERVIEWED IN WEEK OF TEN DAYS INFORMATION FURNISH-ED BY PCI SHOULD IN NO WAY BE DINULGED to DRAKE.

CONTACT WILL BE MAINTAINED WITH PCI.

NO SPECIFICS BEING SET FORTH FOR NEW ORLEANS AND CHARLOTTE, HOWATER THESE OFFICES BEING FURNISHED THIS COMMUNICATION TO ALERT THEM OF THE POSSIBILITY RAY MAY HAVE BEEN IN THEIR DIVISION INDICATED HEREIN.

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SUBMITTED NOT PREPARED BY JAMES BARL RAY, LATERT REPORT
AND REPOSITION OF PYDENCE PURNISHED SEPARATELY. COPT
MAILIED TO MEMPIES, ATLANTA, EARSAS CITY AND ALBANY.

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Note to Memphis:

No Laboratory report will be submitted regarding the results of the examination set out above.

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9:21 AM URGENT 5-7-68 DCJ

TO: DIRECTOR (44-38861), MEMPHIS (44-1987), AND

KANSAS CITY (44-760)

FROM: ST. LOUIS (44-775)

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REMANSAS CITY TEL TO BUREAU, MAY TWO, LAST.

ORVILLE ERNEST GANK, FORMER MISSOURL STATE PENITENTIARY (MSP)

INMATE, # SIX MINE SEVEN IVO NINE, ADVISED THAT BOBBY ASH AND

JIM BRADLEY, PRESENTLY INMATES MSP, ARE ONLY INMATES TO HIS KNOW
LEDGE WITH "CONNECTIONS ENOUGH" TO HAVE INFORMATION CONCERNING.

ANY PLOT OR CONSPIRACY AGAINST DOCTOR KING.

KANSAS CITY, IF NOT ALREADY DONE, WILL CONSIDER INTERVIEWING ASH AND BRADLEY AT MSP.

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TO: DIRECTOR (44-38861)

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SHELBY COUNTY GRAND JURY, MEMPHIS, TENN., RETURNED INDICTMENT MAY SEVEN INSTANT CHARGING JAMES EARL RAY WITH MURDER IN THE FIRST DEGREE. NO REQUEST MADE FOR TESTIMONY BY TBI PERSONNEL.

INVESTIGATION AND ELIMINATION OF MISCELLANEOUS SUSPECTS
CONTINUES. IT IS SUGGESTED THAT BUREAU CONSIDER ADVISABILITY
OF PUBLISHING THE PHOTOGRAPH OF SUBJECT OBTAINED FROM
PATRICIA ANDERSON IN THE NEXT ISSUE OF THE LAW ENFORCEMENT
BULLETIN."

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FROM DIRECTOR 1P

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TWO ADDITIONAL PHOTOGRAPHS OF MAY VERE RELEASED TODAY
TO NEWS MEDIA IN WASHINGTON. PHOTOGRAPH NUMBER ONE SHOULD
BEAR CAPTION "JAMES EARL RAY CHOOLOGRAPH TAKEN NINETEEN
SIXTY-SEVEN IN MEXICO)." THIS IS THE PHOTOGRAPH OF RAY IN DARK
GLASSES AND SPORT SHIRT. PHOTOGRAPH NUMBER TWO SHOULD BEAR
CAPTION "JAMES EARL RAY (PHOTOGRAPH NUMBER TWO SHOULD BEAR
EARLY FEBRUARY NINETEEN SIXTY-EIGHT IN CALIFORNIA)." THIS IS
HEAD SHOT OF RAY IN BUSINESS SOUT WHICH SHOWS MARKED CLEFT IN
CHIN. YOU ARE AUTHORIZED TO REPRODUCE COPIES OF THESE TWO
PHOTOGRAPHS LOCALLY AND YOU SHOULD INSURE THEY RECEIVE WIDESPREAD DISTRIBUTION THROUGH ALL MEDIA CONTACTS. FIVE COPIES OF
EACH OF THESE PHOTOGRAPHS PREVIOUSLY FURNISHED ALL OFFICES.
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TO DENVER 157-203 LOS ANGELES 44-1574 MEMPHIS 44-1987

FROM DIRECTOR 44-58861 2P.

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RESUTEL TO LCS ANGELES TODAY SETTING FORTH RESULTS ... EXAMINATION OF AIR TRAVEL CREDIT CARD IN NAME OF CARL RAY AND DENVER, AIRTEL MAY FOUR LAST.

FOR INFORMATION MEMPHIS AND DENVER RETEL ADVISED
DIFFERENCES NOTED BETWEEN HAND PRINTING AND CARL RAY
SIGNATURE ON CREDIT CARD WHEN COMPARED WITH KNOWN WRITING OF SUBJECT JAMES EARL RAY BUT LIMITED NATURE OF QUESTIONED MATERIAL PRECLUDED DEFINITE OPINION.

REDNAIRIEL SUBMITTING FRONTIER AIRLINES
TRANSPORTATION RECEIPT BEARING SIGNATURE "CARL RAY"
PURCHASED BY UTILIZING TEMPORARY CREDIT CARD

REFERRED TO ABOVE. NO CONCLUSION WHETHER CARL RAY SIGNATURES ON CREDIT CARD AND FRONTIER AIRLINES TRANSPORTATION RECEIPT BY SAME PERSON BUT DIFFERENCES

NOTED SUGGESTING POSSIBILITY OF DIFFERENT WRITERS.

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NO CONCLUSION WHETHER SUBJECT JAMES EARL RAY.

WROTE "CARL RAY" SIGNATURE ON FRONTIER AIRLINES

TRANSPORTATION RECEIPT, HOWEVER, SOME HANDWRITING

CHARACTERISTICS IN COMMON NOTED BETWEEN THIS "CARL RAY"

SIGNATURE AND KNOWN WRITING OF SUBJECT RAY. LIMITED

NATURE OF QUESTIONED SIGNATURE AND LACK OF SIGNIFICANT

HANDWRITING CHARACTERISTICS PRECLUDED DEFINITE OPINION.

RESULTS OF LATENT EXAMINATION OF PRONTIER

AIRLINES TRANSPORTATION RECEIPT VILL BE FURNISHED

SEPARATELY.

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F31 ST LOUIS

S52PM URGENT 5-7-68 ULS

TO DIRECTOR, MEMPHIS, AND CHICAGO

FROM ST. LOUIS (44-775)

MURKIN - SUMMARY

RE JERRY RAY: JERRY RAY TELELPHOMICALLY CONTACTED SA HAROLD

R., DOBSON: STATED WOULD CALL EMPLOYER TO DETERMINE IF PRESS PRESSURE

STILL ON: IF SO WOULD PROBABLY SPEND FEW DAYS WITH FATHER OR IN

PHILADELPHIA, PA., AREA USING SURNAME RYAN.

SUBSEQUENTLY ADVISED SITUATION QUIET AT EMPLOYMENT, BUT HE ZE-LIEVED DESIREABLE TO RECHECK TOMORROW BEFORE DECIDING TO RETURN TO CG. STAYING WITH BROTHER JOHN. 'TO VISIT SISTER CAROL PEPPER THIS AFTER-

ADVISED FOLLOWING VISIT PEPPER RELUCTANCE CAUSED BY POLICE RE-VELATION OF RAY RELATIONSHIP TO PEPPER EMPLOYER. SHE BELIEVES SUB-JECT NOT GUILTY. HE WILL CONTACT OF EMPLOYER BY ELEVEN A.M. AND IF SAFE, WILL START FOR OF AT NOON. WILL CONTACT SA DOBSON PRIOR TO DEPARTURE.

RE CAROL PEPPER LIQUOR LICENSE: SLUSA VERNE RIDDLE ADVISED IN CURRENT PROJECT TO DETERMINE NATURE AND EXTENT OF CRIMINIAL OWNERSHIP OF TAVENRS NOT RELATED TO THIS CASE, HE HAD SECURED COOPERATION OF USPO AND STATE LIQUOR CONTROL OFFICIALS. STATE HAS MATLED

SEARCHED INDEALING

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