

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: THI, Memphis (44-1987)

Re: MURKIN

Date: June 18, 1968 FBI File No. 44-38861 Lab. No. D-680614107 JK

Specimens received

6/14/68

- Q369 Form A-O-Application for Canadian Passport, in the name RAMON GEORGE ENEYD, stamped "Cancelled," Affidavit signed "Ramon George Sneyd" and attached carbon copy of a letter to the Canadian Passport Division dated 5/17/68
- Q370 Card entitled "Policia Internacional E De Defesa Do Estado Entrada De Estrangeiros," signed RANON GEORGE SNEYD
- Q371 International Embarkation/Disembarkation Card, in the name RAMON GEORGE SNEYA
- Q372 International Embarkation/Disembarkation Card, in the name RAMON GEORGE SNEYD

Result of examination:

Escluding the hand printing on Q370 and considering the signature on this Item together with the other specimens described above, it was concluded that the questioned handwriting, hand printing and "Sneyd" signatures on Q369 through Q372 were propared by JAMES EARL RAY, FBI #4059420.

Specimens Q369 through Q372 are forwarded with a copy of this report to Legat, Paris. Photographs were made.



FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

Date: June 18, 1968

MURKIN

CR

00: Memphis

John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No.

44-38861

Lab. No.

D-680614107 JK

Examination requested by:

Legat, London

Reference: Airtel 6/9/68

Examination requested:

Document

Remarks:

Because of the nature of the documents submitted, these were not treated for latent fingerprints. Should such an examination be desired, these items should be forwarded to the Bureau, attention Latent Fingerprint Section.

Enclosed for the information of Memphis is a copy of incoming communication from Legat, London.

Enclosures (3) (2 Lab report, copy of incoming communication)

- 2 Legat, London (88-72) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)
- 1 Legat, Paris Enclosures (5) (Q369-Q372, Lab report)

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Airtel

To:

SAC's, Newark (44-854) - Enc.

Memphis (44-1987)

From:

Director, FBI (44-38861)

MURKIN

Re Newark airtel 6-11-68, submitting bank newsletter for examination.

Four latent fingerprints of value were developed on the newsletter. These latent fingerprints are not identical with the fingerprints of James Earl Ray, FHI #405942G or Jerry William Ray, FBI #862651A.

Newsletter enclosed to Newark.

- 1 Newark (137-6829)
- 1 Newark (137-6826)
- 1 Chicago (44-1114)

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Airtel

To:

SAC's, New York (44-1608) - Enc. (2) Meraphis (44-1987)

From:

Director, FM (44-38861)

MURKIN

Re New York airtel 6-13-68, submitting an envelope and accompanying letter, Q373 and Q374.

No latent impressions of value developed on the envelope and letter, which are enclosed to New York.

Laboratory report separate.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON. D. C. 20535

To: FBI, San Diego (44-387)

(44-394)

Date: June 21, 1968.
FBI File No. 44-38861

Re: MURKIN

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Lab. No. D-680619073 JK

Specimens received 6/19/68

Q375 Sheet of paper bearing a hand printed note which begins "If the F.B.I. wonts Ray.s buddy go to...," and ending "...in Big Stone Gap Virginia by the F.B.I."

K485 Sheet of paper bearing the known hand printing of GEORGE ROBERT LETSINGER

Result of examination:

It was concluded that the hand printing on Q375 was prepared by GEORGE ROBERT LETSINGER, K485.

The submitted material was searched in the Anonymous Letter File without effecting an identification. Copies have been added to this file for future reference.

Q375 and K485 have been photographed and are being returned to San Diego separately.



FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION Washington, D. C. 20535

FBI, San Diego (44-387) To:

June 21, 1968 Date:

(44-394)

Re:

MURKIN

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00: Los Angeles

John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No.

44-38861

Lab. No.

D-680619073 JK

Examination requested by:

San Diego

Reference:

Airtel 6/17/68

Examination requested:

Document - Fingerprint

Remarks:

A separate report is being furnished on the latent fingerprint examination and return of Q375 and X485.

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To: SAC's, San Diego (44-387) - Enclosures (2)

Memphis (44-1987)

From: Director, FBI (44-38861)

MURKIN

Re San Diego airtel 6/17/68, submitting a hand printed note, Q375.

No latent impressions of value developed on the note, which is enclosed to San Diego, together with known hand printing, K485.

Laboratory reporting separately.

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1 - San Diego (44-394)

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON. D. C. 20535

To: FBI, Birmingham (44-1740)

Date: June 26, 1968

FBI FILE No. 44-38861.

Lab. No. D-680624097 JK

Re: MURKIN

CR

Specimens received 6/24/68

Q376 Palmer Writers School pamphlet submitted under the name "Eric A. Waugh" bearing hand printing

ALSO SUBMITTED: Handwritten letter signed AUBRY DEE CHANDLER

Result of examination:

It was concluded that the handwriting on Q376 was not prepared by JAMES EARL RAY, K211.

Q376 has been photographed and is being returned to Birmingham with the ALSO SUBMITTED material.

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FBI, Birmingham (44-1740)

June 26, 1968 Date:

MURKIN Re:

00: Memphis

FBI File No.

44-38861

Lab. No.

D-680624097 JK

Examination requested by:

Birmingham

Reference:

Airtel 6/21/68

Examination requested:

Document

Remarks:

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Enclosures (4) (Q376, ALSO SUBMITTED, 2 Lab report)

2 - Memphis (44-1987) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

 $_{\text{To:}}$ FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

Date: July 1, 1968 FBI File No. 44- 38861

Re: MURKIN

CR

Lab. No. **D-680625135 IH**

PC-A7235 BX IZ

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Specimens received 6/25/68

Q377 Scratch pad

Q378 - Q382 One clean and four soiled handkerchiefs

Q383 Wittnauer wrist watch

Q384 TWA message slip for YARUM CHANDRA DUTT

K486 Four test bullets and four cartridge cases from "Liberty Chief, 38 Special revolver" serial #715

Result of examination:

Q377 was examined for watermarks and indented writing with negative results. The hand printed word "CETERFICATE" appears on the cover of this pad. Although a number of hand printing similarities were noted in this word when compared with Ray's hand printing indicating it was possibly prepared by the subject; the limited nature of this hand printing precludes a definite identification of Ray as the tuthor of this hand printing.

No visible or invisible laundry marks were found on specimens Q378 through Q382.

Specimen Q383 is a men's 17-jewel Wittnauer wrist watch encased in a Wittnauer watchcase. Both the watchcase and the movement are of Swiss origin. The wrist watch movement does not bear a serial number and there is no physical evidence that the movement has been repaired since there are no jewelers "scratch marks" inscribed on the inside of the case. The watchcase bears two sets of numbers, one above the other, as follows: 8001

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44-1987-Seel H-312,

The Wittnauer factory should be able to advise as to the significance. If any, of these markings. The possibility of tracing the retail sale of specimen Q383 appears remote. No foreign material was located on or in the watch which could assist in tracing the wrist watch.

The wrist watch has a stainless steel expansiontype band bearing the markings "ADMIRAL U.S.A" There is an Admiral Watch Band Company, Incorporated, 9 Debrosses Street, New York City, which manufactures watch bands.

The test bullets and cartridge cases from the .38 Special caliber "Liberty Chief" revolver, serial number 715 were compared with all similar specimens in the National Unidentified Ammunitions File without effecting an identification.

Two latent fingerprints of value were developed on Q384 but they were not identical with the fingerprints of JAMES EARL RAY, FBI #405942G. The questioned handwriting and hand printing on Q384 were not prepared by JAMES EARL RAY. K486 has been previously forwarded to Legat, Ottawa. Q377 through Q384 have been previously forwarded to Legat, London.

Page 2 D-680625135 IH



FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

FBI. Memphis (44-1987)

July 1, 1968 Date: FBI File No. 44. 2001

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Specimens received 6/25/68

Scratch pad

9372 - 9382 One clean and four moiled handkerchiefs

Q383 Wittoguer wrist watch

Q384 TYA message slip for YARUM GHAMPMA BUTT

KISS Four test bullets and four cartridge cases from "Liberty Chief, .26 Special revolver" serial #715

Result of exemination:

9377 was examined for watermarks and indented writing with negative remains. The hand printed word "CRIENTICATE" appears on the cover of this pad. Although a number of hand printing similarities were noted in this word when compared with May's hand printing indicating it was possibly prepared by the subject, the limited sature of this hand printing procludes a definite identification of May as the Mithor of this hand printing:

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON. D. C. 20535

To: FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

Date: July 1, 1968

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00: Memphis

John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No.

Lab. No.

44-38861 D-680625135 IH

PC-A7235 BX IZ

Examination requested by:

Legat, London

Reference:

Airtel 6/24/68

Examination requested:

Document - Fingerprint -

Firearms - Laundry Marks - Miscellaneous

Remarks:

This report confirms and supplements Bureau airtel to Memphis dated 6/26/68 with copies to Legat, Ottawa and Legat, London. Q377 through Q384 were returned to Legat, London with copies of this airtel. K486 was forwarded to Legat, Ottawa with copies of this airtel.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

July 1, 1968 Date:

MURKIN Re: CR

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John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To:

FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

Date: **July 8, 1968**FBI File No. **44-38861**

Re:

MURKIN CR Lab. No.

D-680705006 JK

Specimens received 7/5/68

Q385 Sheet of paper bearing typewritten letter dated 2/4/68, beginning "I RECENTLY RECEIVED..." and signed "Eric S. Galt"

Result of examination:

The typewritten impressions on Q385 are the same style as those appearing on other items received in this matter attributed to "Eric S. Galt."

Because of the lack of identifying features it could not be definitely determined that the same typewriter was employed to prepared Q385 and the other items but no significant differences were noted.

It was concluded that the "Eric S. Galt" signature on Q385 was prepared by the writer of other signatures in this name appearing on specimens previously received some of which have been investigatively identified as having been prepared by James Earl Ray,

Q385 will be returned separately. Photographs are retained.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON. D. C. 20535

FBI. Memphis (44-1987)

Date: **July 8, 1968** FBI File No. **44-38361**

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Lab. No. D-680705008 JK

Specimens received

7/5/68

Q385 Sheet of paper bearing typewritten letter dated 3/4/68, beginning "I RECENTLY RECEIVED --- and signed "Eric S- Galt"

Result of examination:

The typewritten impressions on Q385 are the same style as those appearing on other items received in this matter attributed to "Eric S- Galt."

Because of the lack of identifying features it could not be definitely determined that the same typewriter was employed to prepared Q385 and the other items but no significant differences were poted;

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9385 will be returned separately. Photographs are retained?



FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

то: FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

Date: July 8, 1968

Re: MURKIN

CR

00: Memphis

John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No.

44-38861

Lab. No. .

D-680705006 JK

Examination requested by:

Los Angeles

Reference:

Airtel 7/1/68

Examination requested:

Document - Fingerprint

Remarks:

You will be advised separately regarding the results of the fingerprint examination and disposition of Q385.

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LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION

YOUR FILE NO. FBI FILE NO. LATENT CASE NO.

44-1574 44-10961 July 11, 1968

TO: SAC, Los Angeles

RE:

REFERENCE:

Airtal 7/1/68 EXAMINATION REQUESTED BY:

SPECIMENS: .

Letter, Q205

Seven latent firmerorints of value devaloped on letter, QMS.

Letent fingerprints not identical with finnerprints of James Bayl Ray, Fall 6408942G, or Special Laon J. Marer.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

Date: July 17, 1968

FBI File No. 44-38861

Lab. No.

D-680715037 JK

Re: MURKIN

CR

Specimens received 7/15/68

Qc389 Two photographs comprising front and back of paper bag bearing on one side the hand printed words "PUT ALL" and on the other side hand printing beginning "PLACE ALL.." and ending "..IN THIS BAG"

ALSO SUBMITTED: Two photographs of latent prints found on bag and copy of telegram from American Embassy, London, to Department of State

Result of examination:

Specimen Qc389 was searched through the appropriate sections of the Bank Robbery Note File but could not be identified with any prior submissions to this file.

The process of outlining and filling in the letters comprising the Qc389 note, is more a form of art than hand printing, and therefore normal identifying characteristics of the writer would not be in evidence. For this reason, it could not be determined whether the Qc389 note was prepared by JAMES EARL RAY, FBI #405942G.

Qc389 and the ALSO SUBMITTED material have been retained.

44-1987. Sub-H-316A



FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

ro: FBI. Memphis (44-1987)

ate: July 17, 1968

FBI File No. Lab. No.

44-38861

'e: MURKIN

CR

D-680715037 JK

Specimens received

7/15/68

Qc389 Two photographs comprising front and back of paper bag bearing on one side the hand printed words "PUT ALL" and on the other side hand printing beginning "PLACE ALL..." and ending "..IN THIS BAG"

ALSO SUBMITTED: Two photographs of latent prints found on bag and copy of telegram from American Embassy, London, to Department of State

Result of examination:

Specimen Qc369 was searched through the appropriate sections of the Bank Robbery Note File but could not be identified with any prior submissions to this file:

The process of outlining and filling in the letters comprising the Qc369 note, is more a form of art than hand printing, and therefore normal identifying characteristics of the writer would not be in evidence. For this reason, it could not be determined whether the Qc389 note was prepared by JAMES EARL RAY, FBI #4059420:

Qc389 and the ALSO SUBMITTED material has been retained:



FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

Date: July 17, 1968

Re:

MURKIN

CR

00: Memphis

John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No.

44-38861

D-680715037 JK

Examination requested by:

Legat, London

Reference:

Airtel 7/8/68

Examination requested:

Document - Fingerprint

Remarks:

2 - Legat, London (88-72) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

Date: July 16, 1968
- FBI File No. 44-38861

Re: MURKIN

Lab. No.

D-680712073 JK

CR

Specimens received 7/12/68

Q388 American Heritage business reply card bearing on reverse side the hand printed name and address "Eric S. Galt Loraine Motel Memphis Tenn."

Result of examination:

Significant differences were noted as the result of comparing the questioned hand printing on Q388 with the known hand printing of JAMES EARL RAY, FBI #405942G; however, because of the limited nature of the hand printing involved and the presence of certain characteristics a definite conclusion was not reached.

Q388 will be returned separately. Photographs were made.

44-1927-Sub-H-317



FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: FBI. Kemphis (44-1987)

Re: AURKIN .

Date: July 16, 1963 FBI File No. 44-38-61

Lab. No. **D. 680712073**

Specimens received

Q388 American Heritage business reply card bearing on reverse side the hand printed name and address "Eric S: Galt Loraine Motel Reaphis Tenn."

Besult of examination:

Siguificant differences were noted as the result of comparing the questioned hand printing on Q288 with the known band printing of JAMES EARL RAY, FBI #4059426; however, because of the limited nature of the hand printing involved and the presence of certain characteristics a definite conclusion was not reached.

Q388 will be returned separately: Photographs were made.



FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

co: FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

Date: July 16, 1968

Be. MURKIN

CR

00: Memphis

John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No.

44-38861

Lab. No.

D-680712073 JK

Examination requested by:

Cleveland

Reference:

Airtel 7/10/68

Examination requested:

Document - Fingerprint

Remarks:

You will be advised separately regarding the results of the fingerprint examination and disposition of Q388.

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2 - Cleveland (44-565) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

ATTN: LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION, IDENTIFICATION DIVISION

FROM: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987) P

MURKIN.

Submitted herewith are major case prints of JAMES EARL RAY,

These prints are identified as follows:

- 1. Left fingers.
- 8. Left hand
- 2. Right fingers.
- 9. Right hand.
- 3. Right hand.
- 10. Left hand.
- 4. Left hand
- 11. Right hand.
- 5. Left hand

- 12. Right hand
- 6. Right hand
- 13. Left hand fingers.
- 7. Right and left fingers14. Right hand fingers.

The Latent Fingerprint Section of the Identification Division is requested to compare these major case prints with any latents received in connection with the MURKIN case. In addition, these major case prints should also be compared with any unsolved Bank Robbery matters in which latent prints have been submitted.

In addition to the above items, these prints should be compared with latent prints submitted involving burglaries or jewel thefts.

There is also enclosed a regular fingerprint submission card for RAY from the Shelby County Sheriff's Department. It is noted no identifying data or any signature has been set forth since subject RAY declined to furnish any such data to the Sheriff's Department.

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Washington, D. C. 20537

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LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION

44-565

YOUR FILE NO. FBI FILE NO.

44-88861

LATENT CASE NO. 91075

TO: SAC, Cleveland

RE: MURKIN; CR

Airtel 7-10-68

REFERENCE:

EXAMINATION REQUESTED BY: Cleveland

Business reply card, Q388

No latent impressions of value developed on specimen, which is enclosed.

Laboratory report separate.

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July 19. 1968

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Airtel

To:

Legat, London (88-72)

SAC, Memphis (44-1987)

From:

Director, FBI (44-38861)

MURKIN

Reurairtel July 8, 1968.

One latent fingerprint of value appears in the two submitted photographs. The latent fingerprint is identical with a finger impression of James Earl Ray, FBI #306443A.

Photographs are being retained.

Laboratory report separate.

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TO: DIRECTOR (44-38861)

ATTN: FBI LABORATORY

FROM: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987) (P)

SUBJECT: MURKIN

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Re Laboratory letter to Memphis dated 4/17/68 concerning examination # PC -A5498.

Being submitted under separate cover by AMSD registered mail are the following hairs and fibers in referenced Laboratory communication:

Q 29 and 30 Q 38 (2 slides) Q 46 Q 26 (2 slides) Q 24 Q 15 (4 slides) Q 1 (2 slides) Q 13 (2 slides)

Also enclosed in the same package are head hair specimens of RAY obtained from RAY on 7/23/68 by Sheriff WILLIAM MORRIS, Shel by County, Tenn., Sheriff's Department.

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1 - Memphis (44-1987-Sub H)

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Also enclosed in the same package are two bed sheets upon which JAMES RAY has slept in the Shelby County, Tenu., Jail between a.m. 7/19/68 and a.m. 7/23/68.

The above described hairs and fibers appear on a total of 12 slide cartons which were obtained in connection with the investigation of captioned matter.

The FBI Laboratory is requested to compare the additional evidence being submitted with the specimens appearing on the enclosed slides which were previously submitted to the Laboratory.

Upon completion of the examination the Laboratory is requested to return the submitted hair and fiber slides and two bed sheets in order that the slides may be returned to the State Attorney General's Office, Memphis, and the sheets returned to the Shelby County Sheriff's Department.

If the head hair of RAY enclosed as a specimen for this communication is determined to be of evidentiary value these hairs may be retained by the Laboratory. If these hairs are determined to be of no evidentiary value they may be destroyed by the Laboratory.



FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

Date: July 23, 1968

FBI File No. 44-38861

Lab. No. D-680719053 JK

Re: MURKIN

CR

Specimens received 7/17/68, from FBI, Chicago

Qc391 Photocopy of two-page handwritten letter on prison stationery beginning "Dear John I will just write..." and signed "Lord R. G. Sneyd"

Result of examination:

It was concluded that the questioned writing appearing on Qc391 was prepared by JAMES EARL RAY, FBI #405942G.

Specimen Qc391 has been retained.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

Date: July 23, 1968 FBI File No. 44-38861

Re: MURKIN

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Lab. No. D-680719053 JK

Specimens received 7/17/68, from FBI, Chicago

Qc391 Photocopy of two-page handwritten letter on prison stationery beginning "Dear John I will just write..." and signed "Lord R. G. Sneyd"

Result of examination:

It was concluded that the questioned writing appearing on Qc391 was prepared by JAMES EARL RAY, FBI #4059426.

Specimen Qc391 has been retained.

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Examination requested by:

Chicago

Reference:

Airtel 7/15/68

Examination requested:

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Remarks:

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р	Major case prints of Ray being retained and used in reparation of court exhibits for trial this case.
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To: FBI. Memphis

Re: MURKIN CR Date:

July 29, 1968

FBI File No.

44-38861

Lab. No.

PC-B0455 IZ

Specimens received 7/24/68

Q392 Bed sheet Q393 Bed sheet

K487 Head hair sample from James Earl Ray

Resubmission of:

Twenty-three glass microscope slides containing hairs from Q13, Q15, Q24, Q26, Q29, Q30, Q38 and Q46 and fibers from Q1, Q2, Q13 and Q26

Results of examination:

Caucasian head hairs that could have originated from one person were previously recovered from specimens Q13, Q15, Q26, Q29, Q30, Q38, Q95, Q97, Q99, Q100, Q103, Q114, Q115, Q116, Q117, Q206, Q207 and Q208. The above hairs exhibit the same microscopic characteristics as the K487 hairs and could have originated from the same person as the K487 hairs. It is pointed out that hairs do not possess enough individual microscopic characteristics to be positively identified as originating from a particular person.

A few Caucasian head hairs were found on the Q392 and Q393 bed sheets. These hairs exhibit the same microscopic characteristics as hairs in specimen K487 and could have originated from the K487 source.

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Date: July 29, 1968

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John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No.

44-38861

Lab. No.

PC-B0455 IZ

Examination requested by:

Memphis

Reference:

Airtel 7/23/68

Examination requested:

Microscopic

Remarks:

As previously reported, Caucasian head hairs that could have originated from one person were found on or in the following specimens:

ITEMS FROM MEMPHIS SCENE:

Q13 Bedspread

Q15 Zipper bag

Q26 Towel

Q29 - Q30 Pair of socks

Q38 Hairbrush

ITEMS FROM 1966 FORD MUSTANG:

Q95 Sweat shirt

Q97 Bed sheet

Q99 Pillowcase

Q100 Bed sheet

Q103 Rug

Q114 - Q117 Vacuum sweepings

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ITEMS FROM MEMPHIS ROOM:

Q206 Sofa pillow Q207 Bed sheet Q208 Bed sheet

The above hairs were compared with the K487 head hair clippings from Ray.

Specimens Q392, Q393 and K487 along with the resubmitted glass slides are being returned to Memphis under separate cover by registered mail.

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Q387 "CON-1-PECAL" tape cartridge which contains recorded voices of ludividuals who contacted "The Bot Line" column of the "Greensbore Record" newspaper.

Results of examinations.

Q397 is being returned to you under separate cover was registered mail.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: FBI, Charlotte (44-1365)

Date: August 8, 1968

Re: MURKIN

John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No. 44-38861 Lab. No. E-619-MB

Examination requested by: Charlotte

Reference: Airtel 8/2/68

Examination requested: Engineering

Remarks:

A direct copy of the pertinent section of Q-397 has been made and will be retained in the Radio Engineering Section of the Laboratory for a period of six months prior to destruction. The copy is suitable for voice comparison purposes.

The analysis and comparison of voices for speaker identification is conducted to provide investigative guidance.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

June 12, 1968

On June 4, 1968 the items submitted to the FBI Laboratory for re-examination in connection with FBI Laboratory file PC-A5498 were mailed, registered, to the Memphis Division and following their receipt by the Memphis Division were returned to the custody of the office of the State Attorney General, Memphis, Tennessee. In addition, the items which had been obtained on May 31, 1968, from the State Attorney General's Office were also returned as one package. They are described as follows:

Laboratory Examination PC-A5530

Q78 - suit coat of MARTIN LUTHER KING (2 slides)

Q77 - necktie of MARTIN LUTHER KING

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Q206 - green sofa pillow

Q207 - bed sheet (5 slides)

Q208 - bed sheet

Laboratory Examination PC-A5498

- Q1 rifle box for Browning .243 Winchester caliber rifle, SN 4744Z5 (2 slides)
- Q2 .30-06 Springfield caliber Remington "Gamemaster," slide action rifle, model 760, SN 461476, with Redfield telescope sight, SN A17350, with clip
- Q13 large green and brown cloth (2 slides)
- Q15 zipper bag (4 slides)

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Q24 - "Gillette" travel kit purchased at Oliver Rexal store; Whitehaven, price \$1.89, with razor, lotion shaving cream, deodorant, hair cream and razor blade in dispenser.

Q26 - white and yellow towel (2 slides)

Q29 - Q30 - pair of black socks

Q38 - hair brush (2 slides)

Q46 - safety razor, without blade

Mr. L. HUTCHINSON of the State Attorney General's Office receipted for the items and they were returned to the vault.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date June 12, 1968

Slides containing hairs and fibers maintained as evidence in the custody of the office of the State Attorney General, Memphis, Tennessee, were made available to SA THOMAS O. RONAN. These hairs and fibers were extracted from items submitted to the FBI Laboratory in connection with the assassination of MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., andyare described as follows:

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From: Director, FBI (44-38861)

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Re Chicago airtel 8/24/68, submitting sheet from rooming house ledger, Q407, and registration card, Q408.

One latent fingerprint and two latent palm prints developed on Q407, and ten latent fingerprints developed on Q408. Latent prints not identical fingerprints and palm prints of James Earl Ray, FBI #405942G.

Q407 and Q408, enclosed to Chicago.

Laboratory reporting separate.

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