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TO: DIRECTOR (44-38861)
FROM: MEMPHIS (44-1987)
MURKIN.

ON EVENING JULY EIGHT, SIXTYEIGHT, AT APPROXIMATELY ELEVEN P.M., PATROLMAN, MEMPHIS PD, WHILE AT "GREEN BEETLE," THREE TWO FIVE SOUTH MAIN, MEMPHIS, HAD INDIVIDUAL AT BAR BROUGHT TO HIS ATTENTION BY MANAGER. POLICE OFFICER APPROACHED MAN AT BAR WHO INFORMED HIM HE WAS JERRY RAY, BROTHER OF JAMES EARL RAY. REPORTEDLY, JERRY ASKED PATROLMAN IF HE THOUGHT JAMES GUILTY AND IF THEY WOULD EVER BRING HIM BACK TO MEMPHIS. REPORTEDLY, JERRY SAID HE AND BROTHER HAD ARRIVED MEMPHIS EARLIER ON AFTER-NOON JULY EIGHT AND WERE TRYING TO FIND OFFICE TO RENT. THEY PLANNED TO SET UP COMMITTEE TO GET FUNDS FOR DEFENSE OF BROTHER. JERRY ALSO SAID THEY WERE GOING TO HIRE ANOTHER LAWYER FROM ST. LOUIS, NAME UNKNOWN. SAID HE AND BROTHER JOHN WERE STAYING AT LINDEN LODGE MOTEL, ROOM TWO TEN. MEMPHIS POLICE OFFICER WHO ACCOSTED JERRY RAY NOT IN UNIFORM AND NO INFO AVAILABLE TO INDICATE JERRY RAY REALIZED THAT PERSON WITH WHOM HE WAS SPEAKING WAS MEMPHIS POLICEMAN.

SHORTLY AFTER ABOVE CONTACT, JERRY RAY WAS ARRESTED BY

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Approved: *R. Jensen*

Special Agent in Charge

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TWO MEMPHIS PATROLMEN FOR BEING DRUNK. HE WAS TAKEN TO POLICE HEADQUARTERS AND GIVEN INTOXIMETER TEST WHICH READ POINT SEVENTEEN.

JERRY WILLIAM RAY, WM, AGE THIRTYTWO, OF ONE NINE ZERO TWO CHEROKEE STREET, ST. LOUIS, WAS ARRESTED AT ONE FIFTEEN A.M., JULY NINE, AT MAIN AND VANCE, MEMPHIS, ON CHARGE PUBLIC DRUNKENNESS. AT NINE A.M., JULY NINE, JERRY RAY APPEARED DIVISION TWO, CITY COURT, BEFORE JUDGE BERNIE WEINMAN ON CHARGE PUBLIC DRUNKENNESS. CHARGE AGAINST HIM DISMISSED. WHEN CASE CALLED, A WM IN COURTROOM OBSERVED TO APPEAR INTERESTED IN CASE AND AFTER CASE DISMISSED, LT. O. B. HOLCOMB, MEMPHIS PD, IDENTIFIED HIMSELF TO THIS WM, AND ASKED FOR HIS NAME. PERSON STATED HE WAS JOHN RAY, JERRY'S BROTHER. IN SUBSEQUENT INTERVIEW CONDUCTED THIS DATE BY MPD, JOHN RAY SAID HE AND JERRY HAD ARRIVED MEMPHIS AT SIX PM, JULY EIGHT, AND HAD CHECKED INTO LINDEN LODGE, ROOM TWO TEN. THEY PAID RENT FOR ONE NIGHT ONLY. HE SAID THEY CAME TO MEMPHIS IN HIS CAR, NINETEEN SIXTYTHREE CHRYSLER NEW YORKER, MISSOURI LICENSE A E TWO DASH FIVE FIVE EIGHT. JOHN RAY INFORMED HE AND JERRY HAD BEEN TALKING TO

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NEWSPAPER REPORTER JERRY LIPSON, WHO IS AFFILIATED WITH CHICAGO DAILY NEWS. LIPSON HAD ADVISED THAT JOHN AND JERRY COULD POSSIBLY COME TO MEMPHIS AND BIRMINGHAM AND SET UP OFFICE FOR PURPOSE OF OBTAINING FUNDS FOR AN ATTORNEY TO REPRESENT JAMES EARL RAY. SUPPOSEDLY THIS REPORTER TOLD JOHN HE WOULD HANDLE ALL PUBLICITY PERTAINING TO THIS FUND RAISING AND JOHN SAID THEY WERE JUST LOOKING MEMPHIS OVER AND MIGHT RENT A ROOM OR AN OFFICE WHILE HERE. JOHN FURTHER STATED THEY WERE EITHER GOING TO BIRMINGHAM OR WERE GOING TO CALL THERE TO SEE IF JAMES EARL RAY'S ATTORNEY WAS BACK FROM LONDON.

JOHN RAY FURNISHED PERSONAL HISTORY AND BACKGROUND DATA TO INTERVIEWING OFFICERS, WHICH AGREES WITH THAT PREVIOUSLY COLLECTED BY BUREAU.

JERRY RAY INTERVIEWED BY MEMPHIS POLICE OFFICERS IN PRESENCE OF JOHN. REPORTEDLY, JERRY COULD NOT GIVE LEGITIMATE REASON FOR BEING IN MEMPHIS EXCEPT HE THOUGHT JAMES EARL MIGHT COME BACK TO MEMPHIS EARLY AND HE WANTED TO SEE HIM IF HE DID. JERRY SAID HE WAS LEAVING MEMPHIS AND GOING TO KNOXVILLE, TENN., WHICH HE LATER CHANGED TO SAY WHITESBURG, TENN. TO VISIT HIS

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SIX YEAR OLD SON BY A PRIOR MARRIAGE.

PERSONAL PROPERTY IN POSSESSION JERRY RAY WAS PHOTOSTATTED
BY MEMPHIS PD. COPIES BEING REVIEWED TO DETERMINE WHETHER OR NOT
ANY INFO OF PERTINENCE THEREIN. SOME DATA CONSISTED OF CAR IDENTI-
FICATION CARD AND CORRESPONDENCE WITH MARJORIE FETTERS AND VARIOUS
NEWSPAPER CORRESPONDENTS. AIRMAIL COPY TO ST. LOUIS.

P. END.

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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20537

TO:

Date **7-25-68**

SAC, MEMPHIS

Your inquiry

MURKIN. URTEL 7-25-68

COPIES FINGERPRINTS JOHN LARRY RAY FBI 368 725 A
" " **JERRY WILLIAM RAY FBI 862 651 A**

- ☒ Attached furnished in reply to your inquiry.
- ☐ Attached furnished in compliance with request from
- ☐ Only record available attached.
- ☐ This matter is receiving attention and you will be advised at an early date.
- ☐ Supplementing FBI Laboratory report dated
- ☐ Records FBI #
are furnished since there is a possibility that one may pertain to the subject in whom you are interested.
- ☐ Fingerprint files fail to disclose
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- ☐ When you no longer desire your notice maintained, please advise.
- ☐ If you determine subject to be in custody, please advise so that your notice may be canceled.
- ☐ Subject of your inquiry searched in name indices only. Enclosed record(s) possibly identical. If identical, resubmit request and wanted (or flash) notice will be placed.
- ☐ If it is determined that the subject of this record is not the individual in whom you are interested, please advise.
- ☐ Your communication is returned.
- ☐

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John Edgar Hoover
Director

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TO ATLANTA

FROM MEMPHIS (44-1987)

MURKIN.

LLOYD RHODES, ASST. COUNTY ATTORNEY GENERAL, ADVISED THIS DATE HE HAD ~~RECEIVED~~ COURT ORDERS RETURNED TO HIM. THESE ORDERS HAD BEEN MAILED TO MRS. ESTELLE PETERS, MANAGER OF PIEDMONT LAUNDRY. RHODES STATED HE HAD USED ADDRESS FOR HER WHICH WAS AVAILABLE IN SUMMARY REPORT. THIS ADDRESS LISTED AS ONE ONE SIX EIGHT PEACHTREE, N. E., ATLANTA, GA. MATERIAL RETURNED WITH NOTATION "MOVED - LEFT NO FORWARDING ADDRESS."

SINCE THIS WITNESS DEEMED OF IMPORTANCE TO LOCAL PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE, ATLANTA REQUESTED DETERMINE CURRENT RESIDENCE MRS. ESTELLE PETERS.

SUTEL. P.

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FBI ATLANTA
1044AM URGENT 7-29-68 LCS
TO MEMPHIS 44-1987

FROM ATLANTA 44-2386

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REURTEL JULY TWENTYSIX LAST.

MRS. ESTELLE PETERS RESIDES WITH DAUGHTER, MRS. MILDRED MOBLEY, ✓
AT ONE ZERO THREE THREE MILAM CIRCLE, CLARKSTON, GA., TELEPHONE
FOUR FOUR THREE DASH FOUR ZERO TWO FOUR. MRS. PETERS IN SERIOUS
AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT ABOUT MAY TWENTYFIVE SIXTYEIGHT AND WILL NOT
RETURN TO WORK UNTIL SHE HAS PLASTIC SURGERY ON FACE.

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FBI MEMPHIS

*E. L. Hutchinson,
Criminal Investigator,
attorney General's
office. 7/29/68. advised
by RFB.*

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FROM NEWARK (44-354)

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ON JULY TWENTY NINE INSTANT, A SOURCE AT USPO, ATLANTIC CITY
(AC), NJ, ADVISED SA BEN D. HALE THAT GLENN W. FILLER,
TWO FOUR TWO ONE ATLANTIC AVE., AC, MAILED A REGISTERED
LETTER, # THREE FIVE FIVE ONE SEVEN, ON JULY TWENTY SIX LAST
BETWEEN TWO THIRTY PM AND THREE PM TO JAMES EARL RAY, SHELBY CO.
JAIL, MEMPHIS TENN. THE SOURCE ADVISED THERE APPEARED TO BE A
CHECK INSIDE THE REGISTERED LETTER AND THE LETTER SHOULD ARRIVE
SHELBY CO. JAIL THIS AM. THE SOURCE DESCRIBED FILLER AS A WM,
FORTY THREE YRS. OF AGE, SIX FEET THREE, ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY LBS.,
CREW CUT, MIXED GRAY HAIR. NK INDICES AND ACPD NEGATIVE ON FILLER
CREDIT BUREAU REFLECTS FILLER WAS A SGT. IN US ARMY IN FORTY FIVE
AND RECEIVED A PURPLE HEART FOR WOUNDS RECEIVED ON ANZIO BEACH.
OCCUPATION REFLECTED AS BARTENDER FOR MCGETTIGAN AND MCQUIRE BAR
AC, WHICH NO LONGER EXISTS.

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VOTER REGISTRATION RECORDS REFLECT FILLER REGISTERED VOTER. HE
FORMERLY RESIDED TWO SIX ONE SEVEN MONTEREY AVE., AC, AND
OCCUPATION LISTED AS BARTENDER.

A SOURCE AT THE BOARDWALK NATIONAL BANK (BNB), AC,
REFLECTS FILLER CURRENTLY HAS SAVINGS ACCOUNT IN EXCESS OF
SEVEN THOUSAND DOLLARS. FILLER CLOSED HIS CHECKING ACCOUNT
AT BNB IN SIXTY THREE.

THIS INFORMATION BEING FURNISHED MEMPHIS IN VIEW OF
POSSIBLE CONTACT BY SHELBY CO. OFFICIALS.

UACB, NO FURTHER INVESTIGATION BEING CONDUCTED BY NK.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)

MURKIN.

RE MEMPHIS TELEPHONE CALL THIS DATE TO THE BUREAU.

THE JULY TWENTYNINE SIXTYEIGHT ISSUE OF THE MEMPHIS "PRESS SCIMITAR", A DAILY AFTERNOON MEMPHIS NEWSPAPER, CARRIED AN ARTICLE WHEREIN ARTHUR J. HANES, ATTORNEY FOR JAMES EARL RAY, TELEPHONICALLY CONFIRMED TO THE "PRESS SCIMITAR" FROM BIRMINGHAM THAT HE CARRIED A PISTOL ON HIS PERSON DURING ONE OF HIS RECENT APPEARANCES AT THE SHELBY COUNTY JAIL TO VISIT RAY. ACCORDING TO THIS ARTICLE, THE PISTOL WAS RECOVERED WHEN SHERIFFS DEPUTIES SEARCHED HANES PRIOR TO ALLOWING HANES INTO THE AREA WHERE RAY IS CONFINED. HANES CLAIMED HE DOES HAVE AN ALABAMA LICENSE TO CARRY A WEAPON. ROBERT K. DWYER, EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL, WAS QUOTED AS SAYING HE WAS GOING TO LOOK INTO THE SITUATION, STATING THAT "NEITHER MR. HANES NOR ANY OTHER CITIZEN HAS A RIGHT TO GO ARMED IN TENNESSEE. IT IS A VIOLATION OF THE LAW."

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THE MEMPHIS OFFICE RECEIVED AN INQUIRY THIS DATE FROM A REPORTER FOR THE "COMMERCIAL APPEAL" A MEMPHIS MORNING DAILY NEWSPAPER AS TO WHETHER IT IS A VIOLATION OF FEDERAL LAW TO CARRY A LOADED WEAPON ON AN AIRPLANE. ^{REPORTER} THIS ^{DID NOT} REPORTER WAS REFERRED TO THE OFFICE OF THE U. S. ATTORNEY, ^{REFER} MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE, THE U. S. ATTORNEY BEING THE LEGAL ^{TO} OFFICER FOR THE U. S. GOVERNMENT. ANY ADDITIONAL INQUIRIES RECEIVED FROM NEWS MEDIA CONCERNING THIS PARTICULAR MATTER WILL BE ANSWERED BY "NO COMMENT."

NO FORMAL COMPLAINT AGAINST HANES HAS BEEN RECEIVED BY THE MEMPHIS DIVISION, THEREFORE, MEMPHIS DOES NOT INTEND TO TAKE ANY FURTHER ACTION IN REGARD TO A POSSIBLE VIOLATION OF FEDERAL LAW BY HANES IN REGARD TO THE LOADED WEAPON. HOWEVER, IF A FORMAL COMPLAINT IS RECEIVED, THE BUREAU WILL BE ADVISED. P END.

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TO: DIRECTOR (44-38861)

FROM: MEMPHIS (44-1987) (4P)

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RE MEMPHIS LETTER TO BUREAU JULY NINETEEN LAST ENCLOSING XEROX COPY OF AN ORDER ON COURT HOUSE AND COURTROOM PROCEDURE AND PUBLICITY.

ON THIS DATE AN EIGHT LAWYER COMMITTEE NAMED BY SHELBY COUNTY, TENN., CRIMINAL COURT JUDGE W. PRESTON BATTLE TO INVESTIGATE POSSIBLE VIOLATIONS OF COURT ORDER, MENTIONED RELET, BY PRINCIPALS IN THE JAMES EARL RAY CASE CITED ARTHUR B. HANES, RAY'S ATTORNEY, SHELBY COUNTY SHERIFF WILLIAM MORRIS, JR., U. S. ATTORNEY GENERAL RAMSEY CLARK AND RUSSELL X. THOMPSON, WITH MEMPHIS ATTORNEY, /WHOM HANES HAS DISCUSSED POSSIBLITY OF ASSISTING WITH RAY'S DEFENSE. JUDGE BATTLE MADE THE FINDING OFFICIAL AS HE ADOPTED AND SIGNED A REPORT BY THE COMMITTEE. NO PUNITIVE OR DISCIPLINARY ACTION WAS TAKEN AGAINST THE FOUR INDIVIDUALS MENTIONED IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT.

Airtel / THE COMMITTEE IN THE FOUR-PAGE REPORT CITED THE FOLLOWING
Teletype INSTANCES OF VIOLATIONS OF THE COURT ORDER:

A.M. ONE. CERTAIN STATEMENTS ATTRIBUTED TO ARTHUR B. HANES

A.M.S. RFB:mjh

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TO THE EFFECT THAT THE SHOOTING OF DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING., JR., INVOLVES A COMMUNIST CONSPIRACY, TO THE EFFECT THAT HIS CLIENT'S RIGHTS WERE BEING TRAMPLED IN JAIL AND TO THE EFFECT THAT HE, HIS FAMILY AND SERVANTS ARE BEING THREATENED BY "THEM" AS QUOTED IN THE MEMPHIS "PRESS SCIMITAR" ISSUE DATED JULY TWENTYSEVEN LAST AND "THE COMMERCIAL APPEAL" OF JULY TWENTYEIGHT LAST.

TWO. CERTAIN STATEMENTS IN THE "MEMPHIS" PRESS SCIMITAR" OF JULY TWENTYSEVEN LAST ATTRIBUTED TO WILLIAM MORRIS, SHERIFF OF SHELBY COUNTY, TENN., CONCERNING THE COST AND EXPENSE FOR THE SECURITY OF THE PRISONER AND THE TREATMENT OF THE PRISONER AND THE PRISONER'S DEMEANOR AND ATTITUDE WHILE IN CONFINEMENT.

THREE. CERTAIN STATEMENTS APPEARING IN THE MEMPHIS "PRESS SCIMITAR" OF JULY TWENTYSEVEN LAST ATTRIBUTED TO RUSSELL X. THOMPSON CONCERNING HIS OPINION AS TO THE GUILT OR INNOCENCE OF THE DEFENDANT.

FOUR. IN REGARD TO ATTORNEY GENERAL CLARK, THE COMMITTEE'S REPORT SAID THAT IN THE EVENT THAT CLARK IS A PARTICIPANT IN THE RAY CASE, THROUGH HIS STAFF, ASSISTANTS, OFFICE ASSOCIATES, OR

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INVESTIGATORS OR EMPLOYEES UNDER HIS SUPERVISION, THE STATEMENTS ATTRIBUTED TO HIM AND THE U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE AS REFERRED TO IN "THE COMMERCIAL APPEAL" OF JULY TWENTYEIGHT LAST ARE IN PROBABLE VIOLATION OF THE PRINCIPLES SET OUT IN SHEPHERD VS. MAXWELL, TO THE EFFECT THAT THERE WAS NO EVIDENCE OF A CONSPIRACY IN THE SHOOTING OF DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. THE SHEPHERD - MAXWELL CASE INVOLVED DR. SAM SHEPHERD OF CLEVELAND, OHIO, WHOSE CONVICTION WAS OVERTURNED BY THE U. S. SUPREME COURT ON THE GROUNDS OF PREJUDICIAL PRETRIAL PUBLICITY.

JUDGE BATTLE SIGNED ANOTHER ORDER THIS DATE WHICH INSTRUCTS ALL INDIVIDUALS HAVING ANYTHING WHATSOEVER TO DO WITH THIS CASE, CONCERNING ALL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS, ALL PERSONS EMPLOYED IN THE CRIMINAL COURTS BUILDING, AND ASSOCIATES, DEPUTIES, ASSISTANTS, STAFF MEMBERS, LAWYERS, ETC., WERE FORBIDDEN TO TAKE PART IN INTERVIEWS OR PRESS CONFERENCES FOR PUBLICITY AND WERE ENJOINED FROM MAKING EXTRA-JUDICIAL STATEMENTS ABOUT THIS CASE. AS TO SUCH PERSONS, THE COURT URGED SELF-IMPOSED COMPLIANCE WITH THE ORDER IN THE INTEREST OF THE FAIR TRIAL TO THE DEFENDANT AND TO THE STATE OF TENNESSEE. JUDGE

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BATTLE INSTRUCTED THE CRIMINAL COURT CLERK TO SEND CERTIFIED
COPIES OF THE ORDER TO ALL PERSONS NAMED IN IT AND TO NEWSPAPERS,
RADIO AND TV STATIONS WITHIN THE COURT'S JURISDICTION.

A COPY OF THIS COURT ORDER WILL BE OBTAINED AND FORWARDED
TO THE BUREAU ON JULY THIRTYONE NEXT. P. END.

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DIRECTOR, FBI

7/29/68

SAC, ATLANTA (44-2386)

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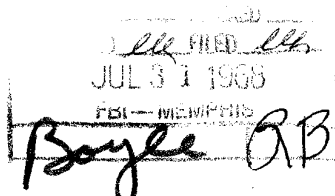
As the Bureau and Memphis are aware, the 1966 Mustang which was abandoned by JAMES EARL RAY in Atlanta and recovered by the Atlanta Division on 4/11/68, is still in the possession of the Atlanta Office and stored in garage space in the basement of the Federal Building where the Atlanta Office is located.

The Bureau and Memphis are requested to advise what disposition is contemplated for the automobile and Atlanta will take no action until receipt of advice from the Bureau or Memphis.

2 - Bureau
2 - Memphis
2 - Atlanta
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*airtel to Bureau
8/3/68 re FG Canale's
Comments*

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*Let's ask Phil Canale
if he has any wishes
in this matter.*

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
FROM: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987) (P)
SUBJECT: MURKIN

ReMElet to Bureau 7/19/68 and MEtel to Bureau 7/30/68 concerning court orders issued by Shelby County Criminal Court Judge W. PRESTON BATTLE, and ATlet to Bureau 7/29/68 concerning the disposition of the 1966 Mustang abandoned by JAMES EARL RAY in Atlanta, Ga.

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau for information is one xerox copy of an "Amendment to Order" dated 7/23/68 and an "Order" dated 7/30/68, both of which concern "Order on Courthouse and Courtroom Procedures and Publicity" issued by Shelby County Criminal Court Judge W. PRESTON BATTLE.

On 8/2/68 the Honorable PHIL M. CANALE, District State Attorney General, Memphis, Tenn., advised SA ROBERT F. BOYLE that he does not see any need for the physical presence in Memphis of the 1966 Mustang abandoned by JAMES EARL RAY in Atlanta, Ga.; however, he desires that this automobile not be disposed of until completion of the murder trial of RAY scheduled to commence in Memphis on 11/12/68.

He stated that under state law the defense counsel is afforded an opportunity to examine any potential evidence and in this particular instance would be given an opportunity to examine this automobile if he so desires. Mr. CANALE stated, however, that since this automobile is the property of JAMES EARL RAY he would offer no objections if Mr. ARTHUR B. HANES, RAY's attorney, initiates any action to have this automobile turned over to HANES.

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- 2 - Birmingham (44-1740)
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BIRMINGHAM DIVISION

AT BIRMINGHAM, ALA.

In view of the fact that there is still outstanding a federal complaint charging JAMES EARL RAY with conspiracy, it is suggested that the Birmingham Division, unless advised to the contrary by the Bureau, consult with the appropriate USA who authorized the federal conspiracy complaint against RAY to determine if he has any particular views on disposition of the 1966 Mustang.

Since the 1966 Mustang is in custody of the Atlanta Division, a copy of this airtel is being forwarded for their information.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)

FROM : SAC, SEATTLE (44-371)(RUC)

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 8/2/68

Reurairtel, 7/26/68.

The following investigation was conducted by
SA ROBERT H. WICK:

AT OLYMPIA, WASHINGTON

On July 30, 1968, FRED DERRICK, Chief of Police, Olympia, advised he knows of no person by the name of GERRY BARNETT.

A check of telephone number 943-7928, disclosed it was registered to JIM J. FRUNZ, 3133 South Lorne, Olympia, and that he is the local sales manager for Smith Corona Business Machines. Efforts to locate FRUNZ at place of employment and residence disclosed that he had disappeared last week end with his secretary and that his wife had left him and returned to her parents' home in Seattle, Washington, telephone ME 2-1145.

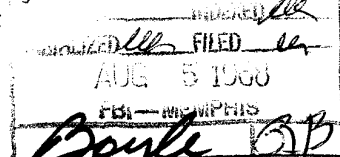
On July 31, 1968, FRUNZ called the Olympia Resident Agency in response to a stop left with his place of business. He admitted making the phone call to the Shelby County, Tennessee Sheriff's Office on July 20, 1968. He said he had been drinking all evening and arguing with his wife. He noticed a photograph of JAMES EARL RAY being led into court, which appeared in the newspaper. He said for some foolish reason, he feared another situation like LEE HARVEY OSWALD. He mentioned it to his wife and finally picked up the phone and called the Shelby County Sheriff's Office. He said he does not recall saying that he was a member of the Olympia Police, nor did he recall saying anything about being in the service with RAY. He said he knows nothing about RAY except what he has read in the papers. FRUNZ said he was born in North Dakota, but lived most of his life in Portland, Oregon. He has lived in Olympia since April, 1964. He apologized for having made the call and inconvenienced anyone. FRUNZ has no record with the Olympia Police Department

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To: SAC, Memphis (44-1987)

✓ From: Director, FBI (44-38861)

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ReNKtel 7/29/68.

Unless circumstances dictate to the contrary, *44-1987-Sub N-39*
you should, through your established sources at Shelby
County Sheriff's Office, attempt to ascertain the contents
of the letter addressed to Ray from Glenn W. Filler,
as described in referenced communication. This should
be effected without any possible embarrassment to the
Bureau.

1 - SAC, Newark (44-854)

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Re Memphis Airtel to Bureau 8-2-68, and Bureau Airtel to Memphis 8-2-68.

In referenced Memphis Airtel, Memphis suggested that Birmingham contact the USA, Birmingham, for any opinion he might have regarding disposition of the subject's automobile which is now stored at Atlanta. Memphis has been advised by the Bureau that AAG STEPHEN POLLACK intends to further discuss this matter with State AG PHIL CANALE at Memphis, and that Mr. POLLACK will decide what disposition should be made of this car. Birmingham disregard Memphis request to discuss this with the USA, Birmingham.

In accordance with the Bureau's request in referenced BuAirtel, Captain J. G. RAY has confidentially advised that GLENN W. FILLER mailed a \$20.00 money order to the subject. FILLER, who gave his address as 2421 Atlantic Avenue, Atlantic City, New Jersey, wished the subject "good luck" and requested that he "drop me a line" to let him know if subject received the money. This was a \$20.00 money order issued by the Boardwalk National Bank, Atlantic City.

2 BUREAU (44-38861)
2 BIRMINGHAM (44-1740)
1 ATLANTA (44-2386)(INFO)
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861) ATTN: LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION
IDENTIFICATION DIVISION

FROM: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987) P

MURKIN

Enclosed for the FBI Identification Division are palm prints of JOHN RAY and of JERRY RAY, brothers of the subject. These were made available to the Memphis Office on 8/5/68 by Captain J. G. RAY of the Memphis Police Department. These should be searched against any unidentified latent fingerprints in this case.

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① MEMPHIS

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Date: **8-6-68**Transmit the following in **PLAIN TEXT**
(Type in plaintext or code)Via **TELETYPE** **URGENT**
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TO DIRECTOR

FROM MEMPHIS (44-1987)

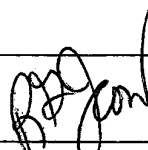
MURKIN.

ME THREE THREE EIGHT DASH R (GHETTO) HAS ADVISED THAT A FRIEND, RENFRO TURNER HAYS, A PRIVATE INVESTIGATOR AT MEMPHIS, TENN., HAS BEEN CONTACTED BY SUBJECT'S LAWYER, ARTHUR HANES, TO DO SOME INVESTIGATIVE WORK FOR SUBJECT'S DEFENSE. HAYS HAS INDICATED TO INFORMANT THAT HANES IS RELYING HEAVILY FOR DEFENSE STRATEGY ON AN ARTICLE APPEARING IN THE JULY THIRTEEN LAST ISSUE OF RAMPARTS MAGAZINE ENTITLED "SOME DISTURBING PARALLELS" BY WILLIAM W. TURNER, FORMER BUAGENT.

ABOVE FOR BUREAU'S INFORMATION ONLY AND IS NOT BEING DISSEMINATED TO LOCAL AUTHORITIES LEST WE BE ACCUSED OF INTERFERING WITH CLIENT DASH ATTORNEY RELATIONSHIP.

P. END.

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Special Agent in ChargeSent 4:00 P M Per Sup

17810 Carpintero Avenue
Bellflower, California 90706
August 3, 1968

The Honorable
W. Preston Battle
Shelby County Criminal Court
Memphis, Tennessee

Sir:

We respectfully ask if you would provide
us with the address of Attorney Arthur J. Hanes,
defense counsel of Mr. James Earl Ray.

We have a number of things we would like to
tell the defense.

Thank you..

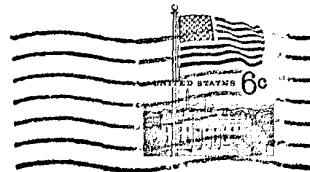
Very truly yours,

Marya Van Doornen

Laska Van Doornen

Marya Van Doornen
Laska Van Doornen

M. & L. Van Doornen
17810 Carpintero Avenue
Bellflower, California 90706



The Honorable
W. Preston Battle
Shelby County Criminal Court
Memphis, Tennessee

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8-6-68

AIRTEL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
FROM: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987) P

MURKIN

Captain J. G. RAY, Memphis Police Department, in charge of security of subject RAY, has confidentially advised that Judge W. PRESTON BATTLE, Shelby County Criminal Court, Memphis, has received a letter from MARYA and LASKA VAN DOORNEN, 12810 Carpintero Avenue, Bellflower, California, dated 8-3-68, requesting the address of subject's attorney, ARTHUR J. HANES. This letter states in part, "We have a number of things we would like to tell the defense."

Los Angeles should discreetly determine identity of the VAN DOORNENS and, if possible, determine what, if any, connection they might have had with subject RAY.

UACB, no attempt should be made to interview these persons except possibly under a suitable pretext, as we do not desire to invite charges of interfering with the subject's defense.

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① MEMPHIS

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August 8, 1968

AIRTEL

To: SAC, Los Angeles

From: Director, FBI

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ReMEairtel 8-6-68.

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Los Angeles should through a check of its office records and through appropriate sources determine identity of Marya and Laska Van Doornen, 17810 Carpintero Avenue, Bellflower, California, and any connection they might have had with subject Ray.

Los Angeles should not under any circumstances attempt to interview them as we do not desire to invite charges of interfering with the subject's defense.

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AIRTEL

AIR MAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)
SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Buairtel 8/8/68 and Memphis airtel 8/6/68.

Re: MARYA and LASKA VAN DOORNEN ✓

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The indices of the Los Angeles Office are negative regarding the VAN DOORNENS.

The following agency checks were made with negative results regarding MARYA and LASKA VAN DOORNEN:

Los Angeles Police Department
Los Angeles County Sheriff's Office
Los Angeles Retail Merchants Credit Association
Los Angeles County Registrar of Voters

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FD-503 (Rev. 1-25-60)

File Sub M Class Case No. Last Serial Date

☒ Pending

☐ Closed

Serial No. Description of Serial Date Charged

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Re: Barclays Bank Slip

Employee

RECHARGE

Date

To From

Date charged

Employee

Location

8/5/68

AIRTEL

TO: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)
FROM: SAC, DALLAS (44-2649) (RUC)
SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Memphis airtel dated 7/26/68.

Reairtel requested identity of person calling Shelby County, Tennessee, Sheriff's Office on 7/26/68, requesting to speak to JAMES EARL RAY.

Investigation at Greenville, Texas, by SA DEL D. DRAKE, JR., revealed that telephone number 214-455-4220 is subscribed to by the Greenville Herald Banner, 2318 Oak Street, Greenville, Texas. This is a daily newspaper published at Greenville, Texas.

All leads in this case in the Dallas Division have been covered and where pertinent, the office of origin advised.

2-Memphis
1-Dallas
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TO DIRECTOR AND MEMPHIS

FROM BIRMINGHAM (44-1740) 2P

44-1987
MURKIN

RE BIRMINGHAM TELCALL TO BUREAU THIS DATE.

BOB WOOD, OWNER, AEROMARINE, ADVISED THIS DATE HE AND SON DON HAVE RECEIVED NUMEROUS THREATENING TELEPHONE CALLS IN THE PAST TO THE EFFECT THAT "YOU WILL NOT LIVE TO TESTIFY IN THIS TRAIL" AND "YOU WILL NOT LIVE TO GO TO COURT." NEWSPAPER ARTICLES RECENTLY PUBLISHED INDICATED THAT DON WOOD WAS TO BE PRINCIPAL WITNESS IN CAPTIONED CASE. TODAY TELEPHONE CALL RECEIVED AT AEROMARINE FROM UNKNOWN INDIVIDUAL BELIEVED TO BE NEGRO, WHO STATED HE WAS MEMBER OF THE BLACK PANTHERS AND DESIRED TO PURCHASE SAWED-OFF SHOTGUN. WHEN ADVISED THEY DID NOT STOCK THEM, HE TOLD THEM THEY SHOULD DO SO AS THEIR PLACE WAS GOING TO BE BURNED DOWN.

BUREAU TELEPHONICALLY ADVISED OF ABOVE, AND DEPARTMENTAL ATTORNEY STEPHEN J. POLLAK INSTRUCTED THAT DISTRICT ATTORNEY CANALE, MEMPHIS, SHOULD BE ADVISED OF THE ABOVE.

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NO INVESTIGATION IS TO BE CONDUCTED BY MEMPHIS OR BIRMINGHAM
PER BUREAU INSTRUCTIONS. BUREAU INSTRUCTS LETTERHEAD MEMORANDUM
TO BE SUBMITTED BY BIRMINGHAM AND MEMPHIS RE ABOVE.

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FBI MEMPHIS

841 Federal Office Building
Memphis, Tennessee 38103
August 13, 1968

JAMES EARL RAY;
Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. -
VICTIM
CIVIL RIGHTS - CONSPIRACY

On August 9, 1968, District Attorney General PHIL M. CANALE, JR., Memphis, Tennessee, was advised of threatening telephone calls received by Mr. DONALD F. WOOD at Aeromarine Supply Company, 5701 Airport Highway, Birmingham, Alabama.

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Director, FBI (44-38861)

8-13-68

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Re Birmingham teletype to Bureau 8-9-68.

In accordance with instructions contained in
reference tel, four copies of LHM enclosed for the Bureau.

2 Bureau (Enc. 4)

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Date: **8/12/68**Transmit the following in _____
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(Priority)

To: SAC, Memphis (44-1987)
From: Director, FBI (44-38861)

✓ **MURKIN**

ReATlet 7/29/68.

In view of the fact that Tennessee authorities are prosecuting subject Ray on State charges, the matter regarding the 1966 Mustang was brought to the attention of the Department. The Department has advised that they will discuss this matter with Mr. Phil M. Canale, Jr., State Attorney General, Shelby County, Tennessee, in the very near future.

In view of the above, Memphis and Atlanta should take no further action until advised by the Bureau.

1 - SAC, Atlanta (44-2386)

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Birmingham, Alabama, 35203

August 13, 1968

**Re: James Earl Ray;
Reverend Martin Luther King - Victim**

**Mr. Don Wood, Aeromarine Supply Company, Birmingham,
Alabama, telephonically contacted Special Agent Neil P.
Shanahan of the Birmingham office of the FBI and furnished
the following information:**

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 8/13/68

Mr. DON WOOD, Aeromarine Supply Company, Birmingham, telephonically contacted Special Agent NEIL P. SHANAHAN and furnished the following information:

WOOD stated that at approximately 5:15 or 5:30 p.m., on August 12, 1968, ARTHUR HANES, Attorney, appeared at the Aeromarine Supply Company and requested to speak with him. WOOD advised that he was busy and when he had completed his sale, he spoke with Mr. HANES, who made small talk for a few minutes and then said "DON, my man is so shook up, he can't remember exactly what time he was in this store on that Friday and Saturday afternoon. Can you remember what time he was in here?" WOOD advised that he told HANES that "he was in here sometime in the afternoon."

WOOD stated that following this exchange, HANES thanked him very much and then left the store. At no time did HANES refer to his client, JAMES EARL RAY or anyone else by name but left no doubt in his (WOOD's) mind that he was referring to his client, JAMES EARL RAY.

WOOD stated also that HANES came in his store about two or three weeks ago and purchased two .38 caliber Colt Detective Specials from him, and stated at the time that he needed them for protection for both he and his son because of harassing telephone calls.

On 8/12/68 at Birmingham, Alabama File # ME 44-1740
SA NEIL P. SHANAHAN:rto ME 44-1987
8/13/68
 by _____ Date dictated _____

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August 13, 1968

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AIRMAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM: SAC, BIRMINGHAM (44-1740) (P)

MURKIN;

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Re Birmingham telephone call to Bureau August 13, 1968.

Enclosed for the Bureau are five copies of a letterhead memorandum suitable for dissemination, setting forth information received from Mr. DON WOOD, witness, this case.

One copy of the above-mentioned letterhead memorandum is being designated for the Memphis Division for information purposes.

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1-Birmingham

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AIRTEL

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM : SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987) (P)
SUBJECT: MURKIN

Enclosed for the Bureau are Xerox copies of the three documents described below. These were furnished by WILLIAM N. MORRIS, JR., Sheriff, Shelby County, Tenn., to SA ROBERT G. JENSEN, 8/23/68.

- (1) A map which purports to show how the subject escaped from the Missouri State Penitentiary.
- (2) Letter addressed by the subject to his sister, Mrs. CAROL PEPPER, 2025 Belvue, Maplewood, Missouri.
- (3) List of questions, unanswered, which appear to have been prepared for the subject by WILLIAM BRADFORD HUIE. *M-178*

Since there is some question that this information may be privileged, it is not being disseminated and will not be put in a report.

This is furnished only for the Bureau's information.

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Mr. Ray....

The material which you have written for me is most helpful. With it I can re-create your escape on April 23, 1967, your walk toward Kansas City, how you reached Chicago, and how you lived there for about two months, working at the Indian Trail Restaurant in Winnetka.

I need exactly this sort of information for every other period of your life from the day you left Chicago for Canada....This 11 months from your escape down to about March 1, 1968.

I also need some additional detail as to your way of life inside the prison during the seven years prior to your escape.

Here are more questions:

✓ In that seven years name for me all the people who visited you.

✓ How often did you have a visit from somebody?

✓ Estimate for me how many times you had a visitor during that seven years?

✓ Did any woman ever visit you?

✓ Immediately prior to your escape on April 23rd, when had you had your last visitor? A month? Three months? Christmas? Six months?

✓ Tell me how and where you slept in prison? Alone in a cell? With one cell-mate? Who was your last cell-mate?

✓ Tell me about this last cell-mate? Who? What crime was he in for? Did he talk a lot? What about?

THEIR HAS BEEN SEVERAY
REPORTS ON HOW I GOT OUT,
LAUNDRY TRUCK, BREAD TRUCK
IF THE WARDEN KNEW HOW I GOT
BUT ASK HIM HOW COME HE
WAITED 24 HRS. BEFORE HE
REPORTED ME MISSING.

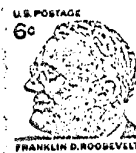
The sketch map depicts a prison layout with the following features and labels:

- Entrances:** "GUARD TOWER" at the top and bottom right corners.
- Internal Structures:** "TRUCK SHACK" at the top left, "DOCK" in the center, and "ELEVATOR SHAFT" on the left.
- Barriers:** "TUNNEL GATE" and "WALL" (labeled "WALL APPROX 3 FT") are shown in the center-right.
- Escape Routes:** "ROUTE TOOK" is indicated with arrows pointing from the elevator shaft and along a "ROAD" at the bottom.
- Obstacles and Notes:** "CUT THIS WAY" points to a gap in the wall; "CANT SEE" is written in two locations; "CANT SEE SECTION LEAVING BACK" is written along the wall; "APPROX 5 FT HIGH" is noted near the tunnel gate; "APPROX 1/2 INCH OPENING" is noted near the top right.
- Other Labels:** "HOOKED ON BAR WERE" is written near the top right.

8-14-68

Dear Jack Carol;

Tell Jack I got his letter, I also
got one from Jerry. Tell Jack I wrote
Jerry asking him to come down but
am not sure he got it since I
couldn't hardly tell what the address
was he had on the letter, Tell him
the Judge has O.K. on Laura's visit.
I want to talk to him about Stoner
also I think I got some news of interest
for him & Jack both, and that Homer
will probab. want to see them so
bring them to stay a couple days
in Birmingham, I can explain everything
when I see them. Try to come one
day except Wed. & Sun.
Take it Easy Jack



Mrs. Carol Pepper

2025 RELEASE UNDER E.O. 14176

9/9/68

AIRTEL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

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

SUBJECT: MURKIN
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Enclosed herewith for the Bureau, Los Angeles, and Sacramento is one copy each of two letters addressed to JAMES EARL RAY, described as follows:

#1 letter postmarked 8/28/68 at Goleta, Cal.,
from Camp Marcos Camp, LEON WILLIAM SHORT,
100 La Petara, Goleta, California;

#2 letter postmarked 9/5/68 at Clements, Cal.,
from LEON W. SHORT, General Delivery, Clements,
California.

These letters were made available to the Memphis Division on 9/9/68 by Captain J. G. RAY, Memphis, Tenn., PD, who is in charge of the security of JAMES EARL RAY at the Shelby County Jail, Memphis.

Both of these letters are self explanatory and from the contents it appears that SHORT and RAY may have been acquainted with each other sometime in the past.

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- 2 - Los Angeles (Encs. 2)
- 2 - Sacramento (Encs. 2)
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LOS ANGELES

AT GOLETA, CALIFORNIA

Unless advised to the contrary by the Bureau, will identify the Camp Marcos Camp and review indices and identify LEON WILLIAM SHORT, 100 La Petara.

SACRAMENTO

AT CLEMENTS, CALIFORNIA

Unless advised to the contrary by the Bureau, will review indices and conduct necessary investigation in an attempt to identify LEON W. SHORT, C/O General Delivery.

MEMPHIS

AT MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE

Will maintain contact with Captain J. G. RAY, Shelby County Sheriff's Department, pending receipt by the Sheriff's Department of any additional mail from SHORT addressed to JAMES EARL RAY.

September 12, 1968

PLAINTEXT

TELETYPE

URGENT

TO: SACs, LOS ANGELES AND SACRAMENTO
FROM: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
MURKIN

RE MEMPHIS AIRTEL TO THE BUREAU DATED SEPTEMBER NINE,
LAST.

IDENTIFICATION OF CAMP MARCOS CAMP AND LEON WILLIAM
SHORT SHOULD BE ACCOMPLISHED THROUGH CHECK OF OFFICE INDICES,
POLICE DEPARTMENT AND CREDIT BUREAU RECORDS. DO NOT ATTEMPT
TO INTERVIEW SHORT OR CONDUCT ACTIVE INVESTIGATION.

IDENTIFICATION RECORD FOR ONE LEON WILLIAM SHORT,
FBI NUMBER FOUR SEVEN NINE EIGHT THREE F, WITH LAST ENTRY
RECORDING ARREST BY POLICE DEPARTMENT POMONA, CALIFORNIA,
NUMBER THREE ONE EIGHT SEVEN EIGHT ON SEPTEMBER TWENTYNINE,
LAST ON CHARGES OF INTOX, POMONA TRAFFIC WARRANT, RESIST ARREST
AND DISPOSITION OF 'GUILT NINE DAYS' WILL BE FORWARDED TO YOU
UNDER SEPARATE COVER. IT IS NOT KNOWN IF THIS INDIVIDUAL IS

IDENTICAL. IDENTIFICATION RECORD OF SHORT DOES NOT LIST ANY
PLACE OF INCARCERATION WITH THAT OF SUBJECT RAY.

1 - AIRMAIL COPY MEMPHIS (44-1987)

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20537

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J. Edgar Hoover
Director.

The following FBI record, NUMBER 47 933 F, is furnished FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY.

CONTRIBUTOR OF FINGERPRINTS	NAME AND NUMBER	ARRESTED OR RECEIVED	CHARGE	DISPOSITION
PD Pasadena Calif	Leon William Short #55520	2-3-63	Inv PC 459 burg	rol to Juvenile Auth
Army	Leon William Short #RA 19 825 463	11-13-64 Ft Polk	conditions Ft	disch under honorable Dix NJ 1-24-67
USAREUR & North Baden District Stockade APO NY NY	Leon William Short	FP 8-10-66	inquiry	
SO San Bernardino Calif	Leon W. Short #222613	4-24-67	F/app traff for Citrus	since neither fingerprints nor an identifying number which is index in our files accompanied your rec FBI cannot guarantee in any mat that this material concerns the individual in whom you are inter
SO Los Angeles Calif	Leon Short #C-529770	4-25-67	No Valid oper lic CITRUS #B801267	
SO San Bernardino Calif	Leon William Short #225244	7-5-67	drk	\$29 or 5 das
SO San Bernardino Calif	Leon William Short #229067	8-31-67	drk	\$39 fine
SO San Bernardino Calif	Leon W. Short #230632	9-21-67	Vio Prob On Traff for Alhambra	44-1987-Sub-N-58

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Information shown on this Identification Record represents data furnished FBI by fingerprint contributors. Where final disposition is not shown or further explanation of charge is desired, communicate with agency contributing those fingerprints.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20537

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J. Edgar Hoover
Director.

The following FBI record, NUMBER 47 983 F, is furnished FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY.

CONTRIBUTOR OF FINGERPRINTS	NAME AND NUMBER	ARRESTED OR RECEIVED	CHARGE	DISPOSITION
PD Pomona Calif	Leon William Short #31878	9-29-67	intox, Pomona traff warrant resist arrest	guilty 9 th das Co
<p>since neither fingerprints nor an identifying number which is indexed in our files accompanied your request, FBI cannot guarantee in any manner that this material concerns the individual in whom you are interested</p>				

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WASHINGTON, D.C., 20537

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J. Edgar Hoover
Director.

The following FBI record, NUMBER 47 983 F, is furnished FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY.

All descriptive factors (if any) furnished by you match those in our identification file unless herein quoted.

DESCRIPTION AND RELATED DATA:

Race: White

Sex: Male

Height: 6-2

Weight: 170

Hair: Brown

Eyes: Brown

Date and Place of Birth: Lima Ohio

Scars & Marks: 4" scar on stomach.

Address: 4200 E Holt Ave Montclair Calif in 1967

Occupation: Tile worker

Subject's fingerprint record does not contain a photograph; however one may be obtained from SO San Bernardino Calif.

Since identifying number which is indexed in our files accompanied your request, FBI cannot guarantee in any manner that this material concerns the individual in whom you are interested.

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SACs, Los Angeles
Sacramento
~~Memphis~~
Director, FBI

September 12, 1968

MURKIN

44-1987

Re Bureau teletype to Los Angeles and Sacramento
dated 9-12-68.

Enclosed for Los Angeles, Sacramento, and Memphis
are two copies each of identification record for one
Leon William Short referred to in referenced communication.

Enclosures (2) *llh*

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Hester *JS*