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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, MIAMI

DATE: 4/5/68

FROM : SA JOHN F. HANLON, JR.

SUBJECT: ASSASSINATION OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
RACIAL MATTERS

✓ This date, at 5:37 PM, DR. IRWIN S. JACOBS, 2695 Le Juene Rd., telephone 444-4040 advised as follows:

Last tuesday, 4/2/68, FLOYD LNU, employed by Hohnny's Hi Fi, 5814 Sunset Dr., 6668184, came to office on official business. During course of conversation the subject of race relations came up and it became obvious to JACOBS that FLOYD was a bigoted type. JACOBS went on ~~th~~ to related that FLOYD began to talk about MARTIN LUTHER KING. FLOYD said that he had been talking to a friend of his and the friend said that KING would be dead in two weeks and that "a bullet had his name on it".

JACOBS described FLOYD LNU as a white male, 45 years of age, 5'7", 140 lbs., sandy hair, slight build, appeared to be long time resident of Miami.

Supervisor NEWMAN advised.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, MIAMI

DATE: 4/6/68

FROM : SA DAVID N. JELLISON

SUBJECT: ASSASSINATION OF DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
RACIAL MATTERS

At 7:14 PM, this date RALPH D. STEELE, 902 Snowden Drive, Lake Worth, Florida, telephone number 585-2910, advised that an unidentified white male, fitting a description of the assassin of Dr. KING that STEELE read in a newspaper, came into a bar STEELE was in at Sterling Village, West Palm Beach, Fla. STEELE was unable to recall the name of this bar or the name of this individual. He overheard this individual state that he had just driven to West Palm Beach from Virginia and that he was a photographer. STEELE did not know what type automobile this individual was operating. STEELE was unable to state what this person looked like other than that he fit a description of Dr. KING'S assassin that he, STEELE had seen in a newspaper.

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TO ALL CONTINENTAL SACS

FROM DIRECTOR 1P

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MURKIN

THIS IS THE CAPTION FOR THE CIVIL RIGHTS INVESTIGATION TO IDENTIFY PERSON OR PERSONS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE ASSASSINATION OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., IN MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE, ON APRIL FOUR LAST.

ALL INVESTIGATION MUST BE HANDLE UNDER THE PERSONAL DIRECTION OF THE SAC. LEADS ARE TO BE AFFORDED IMMEDIATE, THOROUGH IMAGINATIVE ATTENTION. YOU MUST EXHAUST ALL POSSIBILITIES FROM SUCH LEADS AS ANY ONE LEAD COULD RESULT IN THE SOLUTION OF THIS MOST IMPORTANT INVESTIGATION. SAC WILL BE HELD PERSONALLY RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY FAILURE TO PROMPTLY AND THOROUGHLY HANDLE INVESTIGATIONS IN THIS MATTER.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, MIAMI

FROM : SA JOHN P. BRADY

SUBJECT: MURKIN
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DATE: 4/7/68

RE: CARL GRANT

MR. JERRY G. WHALEN, Manager, Great Lake Apartments, 3650 N.W. 79th Street, Miami, Florida and security officer for Milgo Electronics, 7620 N.W. 36th Ave., advised as follows.

At about 3:00 PM 4/6/68 he was approached by an individual who gave his name as CARL GRANT who was seeking an apartment at the Great Lake Apartments. MR. WHALEN had no vacancies and so advised GRANT. During the course of the conversation had with GRANT, WHALEN determined that GRANT was originally from Akron, Ohio, that he had lived in the Miami area for 10 years and that he was apparently a mechanic.

GRANT was described as a white, male, age 39-42; height 6'; weight 150-155; sandy brown hair, slightly bald; wearing a white shirt, open collar, dark pants. His mode of transportation was not noted.

After GRANT left, WHALEN recalled that he had some resemblance to a sketch WHALEN had seen of the MURKIN subject on TV on 4/5/68.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC Miami

DATE: April 7, 1968

FROM : Harry Jones, Clerk

SUBJECT: ASSASSINATION OF DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
INFO CONCERNING * RACIAL MATTERS

A Mr. Jerry G. Whalen who manages the Great Lake Apts. located at 3650 N.W. 79th St. contacted this office instant. He gave his phone number which he could be reached after 9AM Monday morning as 696-7202. He stated that he is the Security Officer for Milgo Electronics located at 7620 N.W. 36th Ave. Mr. Whalen stated that a w/m tried to rent an apt. from him yesterday. This individual bares a strong resemblance to the picture of the suspected assassin in the newspaper. Mr. Whalen has all pertinent information re individual he saw. Would like to be contacted re this matter.

Above supplied for info.

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TO ALL SACS

FROM MEMPHIS (44-1987) 2P

MURKIN; CR. OO MEMPHIS.

RE BUTEL TO ALL SAC'S APRIL SEVEN, NINETEEN SIXTY EIGHT.

FOR INFO ALL OFFICES, PERTINENT PERIODS IN INVESTIGATION
ARE MARCH TWENTY NINE AND THIRTY IN BIRMINGHAM, ALA., AND
APRIL FOUR, SIXTY EIGHT, IN MEMPHIS, TENN.

IN EVENT ANY DATA DEVELOPED RE SUSPECTS, IF INTERESTED
OFFICES CAN ESTABLISH WHEREABOUTS OF SUSPECTS ON DATES ABOVE,
THIS MAY ELIMINATE SUSPECT. IF THIS CANNOT BE DONE, EFFORTS
SHOULD BE MADE TO SECURE PHOTOGRAPHS OF SUSPECTS IN QUESTION AND
FORWARD PHOTOS TO MEMPHIS AND BIRMINGHAM FOR POSSIBLE ELIMINATION.
PERTINENT DESCRIPTIVE DATA SHOULD BE INCLUDED WITH PHOTOS.

IF UNABLE TO ELIMINATE ON BASIS OF ESTABLISHED WHEREABOUTS
IN PERTINENT PERIODS, INTERESTED OFFICES SHOULD MAKE EFFORTS
TO SECURE FINGERPRINTS OF SUSPECT IN QUESTION AND SUBMIT SAME TO
BUREAU FOR ELIMINATION.

COMPOSITE DESCRIPTION, BASED ON DATA DEVELOPED IN BIRMINGHAM
AND MEMPHIS, IS AS FOLLOWS:

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SUSPECT MALE WHITE, AGE TWENTY SIX TO FORTY YEARS, HEIGHT FIVE FT. EIGHT TO FIVE FT. ELEVEN INCHES, ONE HUNDRED FIFTY TO ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY LBS.; DARK BROWN OR SANDY HAIR, COMBED STRAIGHT BACK. EYES BLUE OR GREEN; MEDIUM BUILD; COMPLEXION AVERAGE, SMOOTH. GENERAL PHYSICAL APPEARANCE; NEAT.

POSSIBILITY EXISTS SUSPECT IS NON-SMOKER. INDICATIONS WERE THAT SUSPECT RENTED ROOM BETWEEN THREE AND THREE THIRTY PM, APRIL FOUR, LAST, AND DEPARTED ROOM SHORTLY AFTER SIX PM. NO MATCHES OR CIGARETTES FOUND DURING THAT PERIOD, WHICH SUGGESTS SUSPECT MAY BE NON-SMOKER.

RESULTS OF INVESTIGATION MUST BE PROMPTLY FURNISHED BUREAU, MEMPHIS AND BIRMINGHAM. P.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, MIAMI (44-1854)

DATE: 4/8/68

FROM : SA DAVID N. JELLISON

SUBJECT: MURKIN
CR

On 4/8/68, it was determined that CARL GRANT, who had attempted to rent a room from JERRY WHALEN, 3650 NW 79th Street, Miami, was employed at LUBY CHEVROLET, NW 27th Ave, Miami.

CHARLES PERRON, Office Manager, Luby Chevrolet, advised that his records indicate that CARL GRANT was at work at LUBY on March 29 and 30, 1968 and on April 4, 1968.

In view of the above, GRANT was eliminated as a suspect in this matter.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, MIAMI (44-1854)

DATE: 4/8/68

FROM : SA DAVID N. JELLISON

SUBJECT: MURKIN
CR

On 4/8/68, JOHN LOCHER, Owner, Johnny's Hi-Fi, 5814 Sunset Drive, Miami, Fla., advised that FLOYD COVALL is employed by him as a television repairman. COVALL is a white male who is approximately 45 years old.

LOCHER advised that his records indicate that COVALL was working for Johnny's Hi-Fi on March 29 and 30, 1968 and on April 4, 1968.

In view of the above, COVALL is no longer being considered as a suspect in this matter.

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TO BUREAU,
BIRMINGHAM, AND
MEMPHIS
FROM MIAMI (44-1854)

MURKIN; CIVIL RIGHTS.

MARY ELLIOTT, TILFORD, FLYING SERVICE, WEST PALM BEACH, FLA., ADVISED DURING AFTERNOON APRIL, FIVE SIXTYEIGHT JOHN C. PRICE, JR. AND WIFE, MARY PRICE, ARRIVED WEST PALM BEACH IN PRIVATE BEECHCRAFT DOBONAIR NUMBER SIX FIVE THREE VICTOR FROM MEMPHIS EN ROUTE BAHAMAS. THEY ARRIVED BACK FROM BAHAMAS AFTERNOON APRIL EIGHT DESIRING RETURN MEMPHIS BUT AIRPORT IN MEMPHIS CLOSED. THEY DEPARTED WEST PALM BEACH TO GO TOWARD MEMPHIS, EXACT DESTINATION UNKNOWN. PRICE, USING CREDIT CARD, NAME J. CARY PRICE, JR., P. O. BOX ONE ONE TWO FOUR THREE, MEMPHIS, WHICH IS ADDRESS ARGRONAUTS, INC. PRICE DESCRIBED AGE FORTY, FIVE FEET TEN INCHES, ONE HUNDRED EIGHTYFIVE POUNDS, HIPS WIDER THAN SHOULDERS, SLIGHT RAUNCH, SLIGHTLY KNOCK-KNEED,

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HAIR RECEDING, COMBED STRAIGHT BACK, BROWN OR SANDY IN COLOR. MRS. PRICE, AGE TWENTYSEVEN, FIVE FEET EIGHT INCHES, ONE HUNDRED FORTYFIVE POUNDS, BROWN HAIR. NEITHER WEAR WEDDING RINGS. ELLIOTT SAID ON LEARNING APRIL FIVE, PRICE FROM MEMPHIS, SHE COMMENTED ON DEATH OF KING AND PRICE INDICATED KING GOT WHAT HE DESERVED AND ALSO INDICATED THAT WAS WHY THEY LEFT MEMPHIS. ON LEARNING APRIL EIGHT MEMPHIS AIRPORT CLOSED, PRICE SPOKE VERY UNKINDLY OF KING, BLAMING HIM FOR CLOSING OF AIRPORT. ELLIOTT OBSERVED IN NEWSPAPER RECENTLY A COMPOSITE DRAWING OF KING'S KILLER BELIEVED ATTRIBUTED TO A MEMPHIS NEWSPAPER. SHE BELIEVES PRICE BEARS VERY STRIKING RESEMBLANCE.

MEMPHIS CHECK BACKGROUND ON PRICE, WHO WILL PROBABLY RETURN TO MEMPHIS WHEN AIRPORT OPEN.

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810PM LCC URGENT 4/8/68 GJM

TO ALL CONTINENTAL OFFICES

FROM DIRECTOR 44-38861 2P

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Colton 9²⁶/_P

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Kelly 10⁰⁰/_P

Harrison 11⁵¹/_P

MURKIN

THIS IS THE CASE INVOLVING THE MURDER OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., ON APRIL FOUR, LAST, IN MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE.

UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES SHOULD ANYONE BE TOLD THIS INVESTIGATION IS IN CONNECTION WITH CAPTIONED MATTER.

IT HAS BEEN DETERMINED THAT A RIFLE ABANDONED NEAR SCENE OF CRIME WAS PURCHASED BY INDIVIDUAL USING THE NAME HARVEY LOWMEYER OR LOWMYER.

LOWMEYER OR LOWMYER IS GENERALLY DESCRIBED AS WHITE MALE, THIRTYSIX YEARS OLD, FIVE FEET EIGHT INCHES TALL, ONE HUNDRED FIFTY - ONE HUNDRED SIXTY POUNDS, BLACK OR DARK BROWN HAIR.

IN VIEW OF THE UNUSUAL NATURE OF THE NAMES LOWMEYER AND LOWMYER, ALL OFFICES SHOULD IMMEDIATELY CHECK YOUR INDICES, ALL CITY DIRECTORIES, ALL TELEPHONE DIRECTORIES COVERING YOUR TERRITORIES, ALL DRIVERS LICENSE RECORDS, ALL AUTOMOBILE

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REGISTRATION RECORDS, VOTER REGISTRATION RECORDS, AND CREDIT AND CRIMINAL RECORDS ON THE SURNAMES LOWMEYER AND LOWMYER, IN VIEW OF THE UNUSUAL NATURE OF THE NAMES, DO NOT CONFINE YOUR CHECK TO HARVEY LOWMEYER AND LOWMYER ONLY. ANY INDIVIDUALS IDENTIFIED AS BEARING THESE SURNAMES SHOULD BE IMMEDIATELY CHECKED OUT COVERING THE PERTINENT PERIOD. YOU SHOULD ALSO APPROPRIATELY CHECKOUT ALL BOMBING SUSPECTS IN YOUR TERRITORIES.

HANDLE IMMEDIATELY AND GIVE TOP PRIORITY ATTENTION.

BUFILES CONTAIN NO INFORMATION IDENTIFIABLE ON HARVEY LOWMEYER OR LOWMYER.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, MIAMI (44-
FROM : LANE M. BONNER
SUBJECT: MURKIN
CR
(OO: MEMPHIS)

DATE: 4/9/68

At 9:40am, this date, Trooper JOSEPH CHANCY, Florida Highway Patrol, Miami, Florida, telephonically advised as follows:

His Brother-in-law, JOHN EDWARDS, who presently resides in Hollywood, Florida, and is employed as a firearms salesman, advised last night that during October, 1967, he had occasion to occupy a booth at a firearms show in Memphis, Tenn. On 10/29/67, one J. CONRAD MORGAN, 1018 North Watkins, Apartment Number 4, Memphis, appeared at the booth and purchased a .22 cal. rifle. During the course of this sale, MORGAN commented he owned a 30.06 cal. automatic rifle.

EDWARDS recalled MORGAN "fits the general description of the man seen running from the building from which the shot was fired that killed KING." He said MORGAN was employed at a Burger Chef located at 3701 Lamar, Memphis. He described MORGAN as "weird and funny talking."

Above submitted for information.

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

FROM: SAC, MIAMI (44-1854) (P)

MURKIN
CIVIL RIGHTS
(OO: MEMPHIS)

Re Miami teletype to Bureau, 4/9/68.

Enclosed for the FBI Laboratory is one airmail envelope addressed to FBI, Miami, Fla., and a scrap of paper containing, "Get Tommy Nash, Jr., in Le Grange, Ga. You will have King's killer."

This envelope containing the note was received in the Miami Office on 4/9/68. The envelope was postmarked Miami Beach, Fla., PM, 7 April, 1968.

Miami indices negative re TOMMY NASH, JR.

FBI Laboratory requested to compare writing contained on note and envelope with anonymous letter file and process for fingerprints for possible comparison with any other submissions made in connection with this case.

Atlanta Division was requested in referenced teletype to attempt to identify TOMMY NASH, JR., and eliminate as possible suspect.

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PM URGENT 4/8/68 TSJ
TO DIRECTOR AND MIAMI
FROM MEMPHIS (44-1987)

MURKIN, CR.

RE JACKSON TELETYPE TO BUREAU AND MEMPHIS APRIL FIVE,
LAST, QUOTING BOB MC GOWAN BELIEVED TO BE AN INFORMANT OF
THE MIAMI OFFICE.

BOTH WHITE MALE ATTENDANTS, AND OWNER AND MANAGER, AT
ESSO SERVICE STATION, SOUTHEAST CORNER OF HIGHWAY SIXTY ONE
SOUTH AND BROOKS ROAD INTERVIEWED.

ONE ATTENDANT, FREDERIC ALVIN DORRIS, DOB [REDACTED]
[REDACTED], AT MEMPHIS, STATED HE WAS ON DUTY WHEN A WHITE
OVER GREEN CUTLASS OLDSMOBILE, SIXTY EIGHT, WAS GASSED AND
WASHED AT THIS SERVICE STATION ON AFTERNOON OF TUESDAY,
APRIL TWO, LAST. ADMITS HE MADE TELEPHONE CALL AT THAT TIME
AND THAT HE WALKED ALONE TO NEARBY RESTAURANT AND BROUGHT
BACK FOOD. STATES HE WAS TALKING TO GIRL FRIEND AND DENIES
ANY KNOWLEDGE OF DYNAMITE, BURNING OF CHURCH, VICTIM KING,
ANY WHITE MUSTANG AND ANY RED DODGE PICKUP TRUCK AND ANY
PERSON AS DESCRIBED BY MC GOWAN. BELONGS TO NO ORGANIZATION

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Newman advised 11:13P 4/8/68 jth
Jellison advised 4/8/68 10:30P jth
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EXCEPT CHURCH SUNDAY SCHOOL WHICH HE ATTENDES REGULARLY. DORRIS IS NERVOUS AND SHAKY, SUFFERING FROM BIRTH DEFECT WHICH CAUSES INVOLUNTARY TREMORS.

OTHER ATTENDANT, PERRY SWEATMAN, DOB [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] AT DUMAS, MISSISSIPPI, ARMY SERIAL NUMBER [REDACTED] STATES HE WAS PRESENT ON AFTERNOON OF WEDNESDAY APRIL THREE, LAST, WHEN BLACK VINYL OVER GREEN CUTLASS OLDSMOBILE, SIXTY EIGHT, BEARING FLORIDA LICENSE, WAS GASSED AND WASHED. HE TALKED TO OWNER OF CUTLASS WHO WAS FINISHING A PINT BOTTLE OF WHISKEY. OWNER TOLD HIM THAT HE WAS ON HIS WAY BACK TO FLORIDA, THAT HE HAD BROUGHT A MUSTANG FOR HIS DAUGHTER AND HAD WRECKED IT ON THE WAY TO TENNESSEE. THIS ATTENDANT DESCRIBED OWNER FO THE CUTLASS AS WHITE MALE, AGE FIFTY FIVE, FIVE FEET FIVE INCHES, ONE HUNDRED NINTY FIVE POUNDS, WITH DARK HAIR, WEARING KHAKI TROUSERS, AND SHIRT, BLUE JACKET AND GOLF CAP. SWEATMAN DENIES ANY KNOWLEDGE OF THINGS CLAIMED BY MC GOWAN.

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GIRL FRIEND OF DORRIS CORROBORATED RECEIVING TELEPHONE
CALL WHICH CONCERNED SUNDAY SCHOOL MATTERS. OWNER OF
SERVICE STATION DENIES KNOWLEDGE OF ANY SUCH CARS OR PERSONS

MENTIONED BY INFORMANT, STATES DORRIS IS ONLY EMPLOYEE
WHO HAS ANY PHYSICAL DISABILITIES SIMILAR TO PALSY.

MIAMI REQUESTED TO IMMEDIATELY FURNISH ESTIMATE OF
RELIABILITY OF DOB MC GOWAN, THE INFORMANT.

AIRMAIL COPY MAILED JACKSON FOR INFORMATION.

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RGT

FBI MIAMI

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Date: 4/7/68

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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL
(Priority or Method of Mailing)

TO : SAC, KNOXVILLE
FROM : SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)
SUBJECT: MURKIN - CR

Note "CHANGED" title. Previously carried under "ASSINATION OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR."

All offices receiving copies of this Airtel note that Bureau has designated above caption as approved code word for investigation dealing with murder of Dr. KING.

Information under above caption should pertain only to investigation that may have bearing on identifying subject instant case. All other information pertaining to racial incidents, and racial activity arising out of assassination of Dr. KING should not be submitted under above caption, but should be submitted by interested offices under the appropriate caption pertaining to Racial Matters.

In addition, all offices in receipt of this information should re-canvass any Criminal Informants, Security Informants, and Racial Informants for possible knowledge concerning assassination, with specific emphasis directed toward informants in known hate groups.

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And White Linked Arms And Marched Together And Prayed Together In Miami Yesterday In Memory Of Martyred Civil Rights Leader Martin Luther King



Mrs. Range And Hunter Moss In Church



Two Marchers Carried A Large Portrait Of Martin Luther King

Starnes visited several Negro churches in his district, as did other Metro Commissioners.

The congregation at Christ Episcopal Church began the Palm Sunday services by singing 'My Country 'Tis Of Thee.

Before the song, Father Theodore Gibson, pastor of Christ Episcopal and a leader in the civil rights movement here, had planned to deliver a Palm Sunday sermon.

"But after hearing the congregation sing and looking into their faces I couldn't deliver Just a Palm Sunday sermon," Father Gibson recounted later.

"My friends, we have lost a great man in Martin Luther King this week. Let's talk about Martin today.

"Martin lived for one reason — that one day our children would know how it feels to be free in a true America. We have all lost a good and great friend. This man of God was so filled with love that he influenced others who never even met him.

"Martin was never really afraid of death. Since he had been in the civil rights movement for more than a dozen years, he often thought that he would meet the fate of death one day — it was God's will that it happened last Thursday.

"We are all sorry. We are all mournful of the death of this man. He filled all of us with great hope for the future. We showed us that a white and black man could sit down side-by-side in a cafeteria and eat together or go to school and learn together. When Martin started the Southern Christian Leadership Conference this was not possible. Today it is normalcy."

"There have been tears shed for Martin all across the nation. There will be more tears in mourning for Martin. But we must remember," Rev. Gibson said. "That the cause that Martin fought for can only be achieved by non-violence. We can gain nothing if we take to the streets. . . ."

Dade's Whites, Negroes Mourn Together.

By PAUL WYCHE
Miami News Reporter

Hundreds of white Miamians streamed into the county's predominately Negro churches yesterday to pay tribute to the 1964 Nobel Peace Prize winner, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

Visibly shaken by Dr. King's death, many of them grieved openly.

And they heard the words of the clergy. . .

Rev. W. A. Curry, of South Miami's St. John A.M.E. Church, told his congregation that "violence on the streets of Miami or anywhere else in America will only serve to blacken the cause of non-violence which Dr. King worked for so long.

"Many of us are asking, 'Why has God allowed the life of Martin Luther King to be taken by an assassin's bullet?' God gave man a free will which permits him to do whatever he wants to. That's the simplest answer I can give you.

"Free men must make their own choice, but the only choice we can make in Miami is to quietly mourn the death of Dr. King. It must be in a peaceful manner," Rev. Curry said.

"My God, if ever we needed peace in the nation, it is now. We need PRAYER today, not violence."

Rev. Curry's words were echoed by Metro Commissioner Earl Starnes who told the South Miami Congregation of more than 100 white and Negro people, that the "world has lost a great humanitarian and a great friend.

"I share with each of you the grief that you have in your hearts today. Martin Luther King was no ordinary man," Starnes said. "He was a man who served to unite our country and bring about freedom and equality peacefully for all men — regardless of color."

Black And White, We Marched Together

By DICK HOLLAND
Miami News Reporter

Black and white, we linked arms and marched together in Miami in memory of Martin Luther King.

Black and white, we crossed arms and joined hands and prayed together aloud, in silence and in song.

Black and white, we prayed for each other as well as for the black leader killed for his faith by a white assassin. We listened to his eulogy and some of us wept.

We gathered 1,000 strong on the steps of the Dade County Courthouse and formed as marchers, 30 abreast across Flagler Street from curb to curb at 3:59 p.m.

On the building, flags at halfmast. Overhead, helicopters and the courthouse buzzards, wheeling in a cloudless blue sky with a warm sun and the faint disc of the moon.

Black and white, we stood together as a church bell somewhere in the distance tolled 4 p.m., Palm Sunday in Miami, like a funeral bell.

Black and white, we stepped off together at 4:02 p.m., eastward on Flagler in the face of a gentle breeze, marching in funeral cadence as if to a silent drum.

Martin Luther King, the man who had a dream, had said another day in another city to another throng of blacks and whites:

"And as we walk we must make the pledge that we shall always march ahead. We cannot turn back . . ."

Black and white ghosts marched with some of us.

Some of us began to sing. "Ain't gonna study war no more, ain't gonna study war no more, ain't gonna study war no more . . ."

Black and white ghosts. War. Black and white soldiers cowering in a trench. Black and white soldiers standing up to fight, their duty as they saw it, against a common enemy. Black equals fear? White equals fear. Black equals courage and white equals courage. Black equals white?

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Pictures of the march and story on special church services. Page 8B.

Waiting for the march to begin, a white woman said:

"I thought I should be here. To show that I care. I have never worked in a civil rights movement and I have never marched. I think that the death of Dr. King has given me the impetus to act.

"I have a neighbor. She is a very good neighbor to me. But when we discussed this, she said she was glad Dr. King was dead. There are some people that nothing will change."

We marched down Flagler to NE 2nd Avenue and turned north into the shade of buildings. We began to sing, "We shall overcome . . . we shall overcome . . . deep in my heart, I do believe, we shall overcome some day."

In the front rank, some of the leaders of the Greater Miami Community. How terribly vulnerable they, as individuals, might be. Almost as vulnerable as the physical person of Martin Luther King.

Suppose a madman with an automatic rifle were waiting in one of those buildings? Maybe his rifle would jam.

Black and white ghosts. Discharged from the war and going home. A drink together between trains. "My weapon jammed and a burp gunner got me," said Blackie with a busted elbow. The barmaid said, "Sorry. We don't serve persons of color here."

By the time we had marched to NE 1st Street, our throng had swelled to 1,200 then 1,400, and continued to swell as bystanders came off the sidewalks to join us.

We sang: "Glory, glory, hallelujah. His truth is marching on." This song welled up more strongly in most of our throats than the other songs so far. "His truth is marching on . . ."

A teenaged white girl said her parents had not wanted

her to join in "the demonstration." They are "for civil rights, too," she said. "But they were afraid there'd be a riot here. I told them there wouldn't be any riot and I was going to march in memory of Martin Luther King. I haven't marched before."

A big black man hauled one of his little children up onto his shoulders and marched, singing. The child bounced along, grinning and gazing out at the spectators who crowded the sidewalks.

Black and white ghosts. The aged matriarch of a Puget Sound Indian reservation. Black and abandoned, adopted as an infant by a vanishing race. Now guarding their treasure of timber. Black or red?

"America, America, God shed his grace on thee. And crowned thy good with brotherhood, from sea to shining sea."

Our arm-linked marchers numbered more than 2,400 when we reached the Greater Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church at 4:52 p.m.

Black and white, we listened as some of our religious and political leaders spoke of our need to understand and honor the message of Martin Luther King. They said:

"One of the greatest lives in the world has been snuffed out . . . Look around you. Look to your right and to your left. His life will not have been given in vain . . . We might well do in death what we cannot do in life.

"You and I can pay Martin the greatest tribute by not letting what happened to Martin in Memphis, Tenn., happen to anybody here . . . Martin knew . . . He had no fear . . ."

A white man wearing a black armband said it was the first time he had been in a church since the assassination of President John F. Kennedy. "My God," he whispered, "is this what it takes? The violence? The shock?"

A black woman sobbed silently into a black kerchief.

Black and white. Neither black nor white. Human, maybe.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, MIAMI

DATE: 4/8/68

FROM : SA PATRICK A. PHILBIN

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re: memo SAC - 4/6/68 - Ser # 2

Mr. RALPH D. STEELE, 902 Snowndon Dr., Lake Worth, Fla., was contacted by the writer in connection with his call to the Miami Office on 4/7/68.

Mr. STEELE said that he was in a bar with his wife on 4/7/68, across from the Greyhound Bus Station in Boynton Beach, Fla., and there was a man sitting at the bar who was talking about the riots all over the U.S. Mr. STEELE stated he became suspicious of him because he had "deformed hands". Also, the man talked about driving down to Florida, from North Carolina, and about being concerned about all of the riots.

Mr. STEELE stated that the man at the bar, with the deformed hands, could be the man responsible for the killing of Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., inasmuch as he felt anyone with "deformed hands" could have done such a thing.

Mr. STEELE advised that the man with the deformed hands was a white male, grey streaked brown hair, 5'7"-9", 140-150 lbs., very husky across the shoulders, about 38-45 years old. Mr. STEELE said he resembled the artist drawing of man believed to have killed Dr. KING. Mr. STEELE said that anyone with deformed hands would resemble the killer and that we should arrest this man.

From the interview with Mr. STEELE it was apparent he is a little unbalanced. *see serial 2.*



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Memorandum

TO : MEMO TO ALL AGENTS

DATE: 4/8/68

FROM : SAC F. A. FROHBOSE

SUBJECT: MURKIN
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For the information of all Agents, the Civil Rights investigation to identify person or persons responsible for the assassination of MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., in Memphis, Tennessee, on April 4, 1968, is being conducted by this Bureau.

All investigation must be handled under the personal direction of the SAC. Leads are to be afforded thorough and imaginative attention, and all possibilities must be exhausted from such leads, as any one lead could result in the solution of this most important investigation. The SAC will be held personally responsible for any failure to promptly and thoroughly handle investigations in this matter.

BACKGROUND

The pertinent periods in the investigation are March 29 and 30, 1968, in Birmingham, Alabama, and April 4, 1968, in Memphis, Tennessee. In the event any data developed re suspects, they may be eliminated by establishing their whereabouts during the above pertinent periods. If this cannot be done, efforts should be made to secure photographs of suspects in question and forward photographs to Memphis and Birmingham for possible elimination. Pertinent descriptive data should be included with photographs.

If unable to eliminate on basis of established whereabouts during pertinent period, you should make efforts to secure fingerprints of suspect in question and submit same to the Bureau for elimination.

A composite description, based on data developed in Birmingham and Memphis, is as follows:

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Race:	White
Sex:	Male
Age:	26 to 40
Height:	5'8" to 5'11"
Weight:	150 - 170
Hair:	Dark brown or sandy Combed straight back
Eyes:	Blue or green
Build:	Medium
Complexion:	Average - smooth
General Physical Appearance:	Neat

Possibility exists suspect is non-smoker.

Indications are that suspect rented room between 3 and 3:30 PM on April 4, 1968, and departed room shortly after 6 PM. No matches or cigarettes found during that period which suggests suspect may be non-smoker.

Results of all investigation must be promptly furnished Bureau, Memphis and Birmingham.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, MIAMI

FROM : SA LEMAN L. STAFFORD, JR.

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 4/9/68

ReButel to all continental offices, 4/9/68.

On 4/9/68, Mrs. PEG MUNDEN, Secretary to South Florida Commercial Manager, SBT&T Company (protect), advised she had made a check of telephone subscriber records for all of Dade County and these records failed to reveal any telephone service, published or non-published listing, for anyone with the surname LOWMEYER or LOWMYER.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, Miami

DATE: 4/9/68

FROM : SA ROBERT SCHACHNER

SUBJECT: HURLEY MILTON HARRELL, aka
PBS

Re memo 4/8/68 entitled "MURKIN, CR".

For info file, captioned subject is definatly not
similar to description of subject in rememo, and should therefor
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Negro Pastor Sees Hope in King's Death

What good can come, here in Greater Miami, from the death of Martin Luther King Jr.?

I put the question to the Rev. Theodore Gibson, and he thought deeply about it. His face is clean-cut and somber, and the dark skin contrasts vividly against the stark white circle of his cleric's collar.



Charles Whited

rights movement in the U.S.

It was a friendship of turbulent times and many shared beliefs.

And in Dade County, Theodore Gibson became in recent years one of those handful of local Negro leaders whose influence, while not always accepted, has been profoundly felt in both the white and black communities.

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WELL, I asked, how does he think we ought to act now — first, to prevent the violence that has flamed in other cities; but perhaps even more important, to make real progress toward better race relations?

The word, he replied, is communicate.

"It is a simple thing to me. If you and I sit down and talk, and you level with me and I level with you, when we leave the room maybe we haven't done anything concrete, but at least each of us has gotten something out of his chest . . . How do you know what pains me, unless I can tell you?

"The great danger in discussing problems, of course, is being determined as we talk about it, and later growing cold. This is a danger. We don't want to mourn Dr. King just today, and then — when our passions have cooled — forget what we resolved."

Q. — Where does the responsibility for all this really lie?

A. I say, on all sides. I tell my people that all Negroes are not good and all whites are not bad. Let those of us who say we are good prove our goodness. Let us unite our forces.

Q. — But wasn't Dr. King's assassination a fluke?

A. They say a sick man took his life. They say it is a sick society. It is easy for us to excuse away what happened by saying the murderer was sick and society is sick. But I won't buy that. I am a part of that sickness, and the fact that I am a part of it means that I need now to go to a physician. We can only do something about our illness, by, first, recognizing it; second, finding the right prescription, and, third, following it. If racial hatred and bigotry are the sickness, then those in authority must find cures.

Q. What can an average person do, say, the man on the street?

A. I would think if all of us, certainly those of us who see this sickness, began by saying simply 'Good morning' and 'Good evening' to one another — well, you'd be surprised at what this can do to people. The words 'Good morning' are neither white nor black. Good morning is just good morning. If everybody, or perhaps just most of us, make up our minds that in 1968 we are going to become simple, polite and decent, this is a starting point. It is what I yearn for.



Rev. Theodore Gibson
... personal friend

THE REV. Gibson described how the thing works, by recounting a small experience of his own.

He has a mailbox in the small Coconut Grove Post Office, where people of both races go. Two years ago, he resolved to start greeting people on mornings he went to pick up his mail.

"The first morning I said hello, I'm sure every white stranger I spoke to must have thought I was a fool. But they had to respond whether or not they wanted to; and after a while, the responses became genuine.

"We live in such an impersonal world, such a busy world, that most of the time you go your way and I go mine, and if anything we're too busy trying to outdo each other to become friends.

"If we all came back to basics before we become so high and mighty, the world will be shocked back to its senses."

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THE OUTPOURING of national mourning for Martin Luther King, I said: what does this signify to Theodore Gibson? Some great mass feeling of guilt? He shook his head.

"Martin's death did for us what no living man could have done. It brought people together. We have had tears, but they aren't white or black tears; they're human tears. We've had sorrow for our corporate sins.

"This is all of our sins, white and black.

"I believe this has brought us together because we have been able, as people, to examine ourselves. And if . . . we don't get but one man saved, if we don't change but one man, then I think Martin's death will still be worth it."

Dade Joins Nation in Honoring King

Three busloads of mourners left Miami for Atlanta Monday to attend the funeral of Dr. Martin Luther King while Miamians at home made other plans to honor him.

The bus trips to Atlanta were sponsored by the Florida Council on Human Relations. The mourners left at 6 p.m. Monday and are scheduled to return this evening.

All classes at both the north and south campuses of Miami-Dade Junior College

will be closed today in Dr. King's memory.

All classes at the University of Miami will be suspended from 11 a.m. today. Memorial Services will be conducted for Dr. King at 11:30 a.m. in the patio of the Student Union with UM President Dr. Henry King Stanford, The Rev. Theodore Francis Gibson, former Sen. Harry Cain and Robert Simms, Community Relations Board Executive Director, among the speakers.

The independent Retail

Liquor Dealers Association, representing 51 stores in the Negro areas of the county, announced its members would close today until after Dr. King's funeral.

At St. Agnes Episcopal Church, 1750 NW Third Ave., The Rt. Rev. James Duncan will pontificate at a requiem mass at 10:30 a.m. in Dr. King's honor.

Various businesses throughout the county announced plans to close for all or a portion of today.

At least two segments of

the local labor force decided to stay off the job in memory of Dr. King. Dock workers at the Port of Miami will join those of all ports on the east and Gulf coasts in a 24-hour work halt beginning at 8 a.m. today.

In addition to the work halt by the International Longshoremen's Association, members of the National Maritime Union, the National Marine Engineers Beneficial Association, the Masters, Mates and Pilots and the American Radio Association

will not crew or sail any ships during the 24-hour period.

More than 3,000 members of the local plasterer's tenders and laborers unions stayed home from building jobs Monday in a scheduled demonstration of respect. They are all scheduled to return to work today.

All government offices will remain open today with special provisions being made for workers who desire to attend services to watch Dr. King's funeral on television.

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'Freedom Riders' on Pilgrimage to Atlanta

By DAVE BEHRENS
Herald Staff Writer

The freedom riders were reborn Monday.

Two buses filled with Miamians began the pilgrimage to Atlanta at nightfall, to the funeral of Martin Luther King.

"It's going to be a long, 12-hour ride," somebody said as the bus pulled away at 7:30 p.m.

"Not for me," answered Mrs. Janie Myers, "not for what we're going for — we'll

be there before you know it."

For some, the trip was simply to "pay respects."

For others, like J. T. Southall, there were deeper reasons.

Southall, 22, a North County Elementary School teacher, was born and educated in Montgomery and as a child had first heard King preaching from his pulpit in 1955.

Southall later went on to Alabama State College, walked in King's 1965 Civil

Right march and had been swiped by a billy club wielded by a Montgomery mounted policeman.

"All Montgomery will be there, 10,000 strong," he said.

There was no singing on this freedom ride. There

would be time later to sing.

But there was no bitterness either in the lazy, time-killing conversations.

The talk was bus talk — of kids, jobs, dresses, gossip. Teachers talked shop, but

most people just leaned back eyes closed, hoping for sleep.

There was even a touch of humor when the air conditioning in the rear of the bus went on the blink. A lady in the front of the bus, which was almost chilly, slipped on her coat and said, "After all

those years of fighting to get out of the back of the bus now I think I'll step back there."

A few of the passengers were white, one a 20-year-old Miami-Dade student, Stuart Smith, who is majoring in philosophy and religion and teaches at an integrated Presbyterian Sunday school.

Smith had caught a glimpse of King during his last visit to Miami. "He had something right to say — even by the way he walked."

But King's name slipped out in conversation only occasionally. Just before departure, one rider shook his head and said: "Lincoln, Kennedy, now this — the good-thinking people just don't live too long."

Bill Miles, director of the Miami chapter of the Florida

Council on Human Relations, planned the trip. With him was Augie Vander-Besche, the council's state director, a white man, who passed out sandwiches as the trip began.

His son, Harry, 13, who was going to Atlanta "to see things for himself" was the youngest rider on the trip.

One lady turned to her younger traveling companion and said, "Wake me if I snore."

It could have been a bus to anywhere.

Sadly, it was not.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
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Re teletype to all continental offices from Bureau,
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Miami Office indices, credit and criminal records, city directories, telephone directories, driver's license records, automobile registration records, voter's registration records, court records, property owner's records, tax records, and utility company records throughout Miami Division checked this date with reference to the names of LOWMEYER, LOWMYER, HARVEY LOWMEYER, HARVEY LOWMYER, and all checks met with negative results.

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TO: DIRECTOR AND SACS MEMPHIS, ATLANTA, BIRMINGHAM, COLUMBIA,
JACKSON, JACKSONVILLE, MIAMI, RICHMOND,
TAMPA

FROM: SAC, ALBANY (44-493)

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RE ALBANY TELCALLS TO BIRMINGHAM, MOBILE AND JACKSON
APRIL NINE INSTANT.

FOR THE INFO OF OFFICES NOT PREVIOUSLY RECEIVING THIS
INFO, SEARCH OF PREMISES BELIEVED OCCUPIED BY UNSUB WHO
ASSASSINATED DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING ON FOUR FOUR SIXTYEIGHT,
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QUARTER INCH WIDE AND ONE AND ONE SIXTEENTH INCH LONG AND
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TEXTILE MARKING MACHINE EXPERTS ALSO STATED THIS MACHINE IS DEFECTIVE IN THAT IT IS PRODUCING A TAPE ONE AND ONE SIXTEENTH INCH LONG INSTEAD OF ONE AND ONE EIGHTH INCH LONG AND IS NOT PROJECTING THE TAPE FAR ENOUGH RESULTING IN CUTTING OFF A PORTION OF THE FIRST LETTER. THE CODE USED IN THE NORTH-EASTERN PART OF THE UNITED STATES IS AS FOLLOWS:

THE FIRST LETTER O STANDS FOR LOT NUMBER; THE FIRST NUMBER TWO INDICATES THE DAY OF THE WEEK, TWO BEING TUESDAY; THE SECOND LETTER INDICATES THE FIRST LETTER OF THE STORE NAME.

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THIS IS THE LETTER B; THE LAST NUMBER IS THE BUNDLE NUMBER, THIS IS SIX. COLOR CODING OF THE TAG MAY DESIGNATE VARIOUS THINGS SUCH AS A DIFFERENT MONTH OR THE IDENTITY OF A STORE IN A CHAIN. EXPERTS ALSO STATE THE USE OF THIS SYSTEM ON LAUNDRY ITEMS IS UNUSUAL IN THAT THE SYSTEM IS NORMALLY USED ON GARMENTS BEING DRY CLEANED.

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THE CODE USED HAS BEEN TRACED TO THE NORTHEASTERN PART OF THE UNITED STATES, HOWEVER, A SIMILAR CODING IS USED IN THE WESTERN PART OF THE UNITED STATES ALSO AND A SIMILAR CODE IS ALSO USED BY COMPANIES WITHOUT THE KNOWLEDGE OF THE COMPANY'S REPRESENTATIVES, THEREFORE, ALL THESE MACHINES MUST BE CHECKED.

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MARK'S LAUNDRY AND CLEANERS, ATLANTA, GEORGIA, MODEL
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THREE ONE NINE SEVEN TWO.

COLUMBIA

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KING ST., CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA, MODEL NO. H FIVE M FOUR
B DASH ONE, SERIAL NO. THREE THREE ZERO ONE SEVEN.

JACKSONVILLE

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FLA., MODEL NO. H FIVE L ONE, SERIAL NUMBERS THREE ONE FIVE
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NINE; STRAHAM'S LAUNDRY, ONE ZERO TWO FOUR KINGS AVENUE,
JACKSONVILLE, FLA., MODEL NO. H FIVE M FIVE M FOUR, SERIAL NO.
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NEW PEERLESS LAUNDRY, ONE ONE ZERO N.W., FIFTYFIFTH
AVENUE, FT. LAUDERDALE, FLA., MODEL NO. H FIVE L FOUR,
SERIAL NO. THREE TWO SIX ONE FOUR.

TAMPA

PALMACEIA CLEANERS AND LAUNDRY, SIX TWO ZERO SOUTH
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TAMPA, FLA., MODEL NO. H FIVE K ONE, SERIAL NUMBERS THREE
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SARASOTA LILY-WHITE LAUNDRY AND CLEANERS, SEVEN HUNDRED SOUTH OSPREY AVE., SARASOTA, FLA., MODEL NO. H FIVE L FOUR, SERIAL NO. THREE TWO ONE NINE FIVE.

MOBILE; ATLANTA; COLUMBIA; JACKSONVILLE, MIAMI AND TAMPA WILL CONTACT THE ABOVE BUSINESS PLACES AS INDICATED AND DETERMINE PRESENT LOCATION OF THESE MACHINES. CONTACT OR SET OUT LEADS TO CONTACT THESE PLACES, DETERMINE WHETHER CODE IS USED AS ON INSTANT TAPE, WHETHER THERMO-SEAL IS USED ON SMALL LAUNDRY ITEMS AND WHETHER INSTANT TAPE POSSIBLY PRODUCED BY THEIR MACHINES AND IF SO OBTAIN SAMPLE OF THERMO SEAL TAPE AND FORWARD TO FBI.

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CLEVELAND, MISSISSIPPI, SERIAL NO. THREE ONE THREE FIVE FIVE;
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HATTIESBURG, MISSISSIPPI, SERIAL NO. THREE THREE SEVEN EIGHT
FOUR.

JACKSON OFFICE CONTACT ESTABLISHMENTS, DETERMINE WHETHER
THESE MACHINES UTILIZED CODE ON TAPE AND UTILIZED TAPE ON
MALL LAUNDRY ITEMS AND IF SO OBTAIN SAMPLE AND FORWARD
IMMEDIATELY TO FBI LABORATORY FOR IDENTIFICATION.

ALL OFFICES ADVISED ALBANY IMMEDIATELY IF TAPE IDENTIFIED.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

END

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611PM PM URGENT 4-9-68 BJP

TO ALL CONTINENTAL OFFICES

FROM DIRECTOR 44-38861 2P

MURKIN

Parsga advised 6:40 4/9/68 JH
Todd advised 6:42 4/9/68 JH
Grealy advised 7:15 4/9/68 org
Harrison advised 7:25 4/9/68 org
Wesman advised 7:34 4/9/68 org
Oahl advised 7:45 4/9/68 org

AMONG ARTICLES RECOVERED AT SCENE OF SHOOTING, APPARENTLY ABANDONED BY UNSUB, WERE A PAIR OF BROWNISH CHECKERED PRINT UNDERSHORTS AND WHITE JOCKEY TEE SHIRT BEARING CLOTH LAUNDRY TAGS. THESE TAGS WERE MADE BY A THERMO SEAL MARKING MACHINE MANUFACTURED BY THE TEXTILE MARKING MACHINE COMPANY, SYRACUSE, NEW YORK. THESE TAGS ARE ONE QUARTER INCH WIDE AND ONE AND ONE SIXTEENTH INCH LONG, RED IN COLOR AND BEAR MARKING WHICH APPEARS TO BE "O TWO B DASH SIX" OR "D TWO B DASH SIX." ONLY A PORTION OF THE FIRST CHARACTER IS PRESENT ON EACH TAG, AND THIS CHARACTER IS CUT ON A SLIGHT BIAS. NO OTHER VISIBLE LAUNDRY MARKS WERE FOUND ON EITHER GARMENT.

IMMEDIATE CHECKS OF LOGICAL LAUNDRIES SUGGESTED BY TEXTILE MARKING COMPANY HAVE TO DATE BEEN UNPRODUCTIVE.

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#5 JH
Wesman advised 4/9/68 6:37
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Jellison advised 4/9/68 6:42
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UPON RECEIPT, ALL OFFICES SHOULD IMMEDIATELY TELEPHONICALLY
CONTACT ALL LAUNDRIES IN YOUR DIVISIONS TO IDENTIFY
LAUNDRY USING THIS CODE AND THESE TAGS AND PURSUE LOGICAL
LEADS DEVELOPED.

IF PERTINENT LAUNDRY IDENTIFIED, IMMEDIATELY ADVISE
BUREAU TELEPHONICALLY.

THIS MUST BE GIVEN TOP PRIORITY HANDLING TO INSURE
THAT THESE CHECKS ARE IMMEDIATELY RUN OUT.

UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES SHOULD ANYONE BE TOLD THIS
INVESTIGATION IS IN CONNECTION WITH CAPTIONED MATTER.

END

PJL

FBI MIAMI

ALS

FBI TAMPA

JLC

FBI JACKSVLE

JJP

FBI-COLUMBIA

THIS IS FBI SACTO WE RECEIVED YOUR MESSG. TWICE AND YOU NEVER ASKED
FOR A RESPONSE.

AAC TO W THAT IS A FRECK THING CANUSE BY THE WIRE I RECEIVE
A DISCONNECT N AND THE OPR JUST CONNECT YOU UP WITH ME THIS TIME
PLEASE ACK AND I ILL TALK TO YOU LATER

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JXP

FBI SACTO

SV..PNR

FBI SAVANNAH

AT..MRB

FBI ATLANTA

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, MIAMI(44-1854)

DATE: 4-9-68

FROM : SAK ROBERT W. WISEMAN

SUBJECT: MURKIN
CR
(OO: MEMPHIS)

ReButel all offices 4/8/68

The following listed sources were checked on 4/9/68 concerning HARVEY LOWMEYER or HARVEY LOWMYER or anyone with this same last name, and no reference to this individual or anyone by this last name was found:

Palm Beach Co. Sheriff's Office
" " " Voter's Registration Bureau
" " " Driver's License Bureau
" " " Auto License Bureau
" " " Bureau of Vital Statistics
" " " Credit Bureau

West Palm Beach PD
Palm Beach PD
Lake Worth PD

1967 Polks Directory - Greater West Palm Beach
" " - Lake Worth - Boynton Beach
" " - Delray Beach & Boca Raton
" " - Belle Glade - Pahokee
" " - Jupiter - Tequesta

Telephone directories of West Palm Beach, Boynton Beach, Delray Beach, Boca Raton, Belle Glade, Pahokee, Clewiston, La Belle, Moorehaven.

Report on Bomb suspects will be reported seperately.

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TO: DIRECTOR, SACS, ATLANTA, BIRMINGHAM AND MEMPHIS

FROM: SAC, MIAMI (44-1854)

MURKIN

ANONYMOUS NOTE SCRIBBLED ON SCRAP OF PAPER RECEIVED MIAMI OFFICE, FBI, TODAY IN AIRMAIL ENVELOPE ADDRESSED FBI, MIAMI, FLA., POSTMARKED MIAMI BEACH, PM, SEVEN APRIL SIXTYEIGHT. NOTE STATES QUOTE GET TOMMY NASH, JR. IN LAGRANGE, GA. YOU WILL HAVE KING'S KILLER,"UNQUOTE.

MIAMI INDICES NEGATIVE. NOTE AND ENVELOPE BEING FORWARDED FBI LABORATORY.

AT NINE FORTY AM THIS DATE, TROOPER JOSEPH CHANCY, FLA. HIGHWAY PATROL, ADVISED HIS BROTHER-IN-LAW, JOHN EDWARDS, HOLLYWOOD, FLA., IS FIREARMS SALESMAN. DURING OCT., SIXTYSEVEN, HAD OCCASION TO OCCUPY A BOOTH AT FIREARMS SHOW, MEMPHIS, TENN. ON OCT. TWENTYNINE, SIXTYSEVEN, ONE J. CONRAD MORGAN, ONE ZERO ONE EIGHT N. WATKINS, APT. FOUR, MEMPHIS, TENN., APPEARED AT BOOTH AND PURCHASED TWENTYTWO CALIBER RIFLE. DURING CONVERSATION, MORGAN COMMENTED THAT HE OWNED A THIRTY POINT ZERO SIX CALIBER AUTOMATIC RIFLE. EDWARDS RECALLS MORGAN

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GENERALLY FIT DESCRIPTION OF UNSUB APPEARING IN LOCAL PRESS
STORIES AND ARTIST'S CONCEPTION. MORGAN BELIEVED EMPLOYED AT
BURGER CHEF LOCATED THREE SEVEN ZERO ONE LAMAR, MEMPHIS.
MORGAN FURTHER DESCRIBED AS "WEIRD AND FUNNY TALKING."

ATLANTA ATTEMPT TO IDENTIFY TOMMY NASH, JR., AS
POSSIBLE SUSPECT.

MEMPHIS HANDLE MORGAN AS POSSIBLE SUSPECT.

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FROM: ~~REXSAC~~ MIAMI

SUBJECT: MURKIN, CR

REMEMPHIS TEL TO BUREAU ~~EX~~ RE BOB MC GOWAN, *Dated 4/8/68.*

MC GOWAN OPERATED AS SOURCE ON DIFFERENT ^{NT} OCCASIONS COVERING KLAN ACTIVITIES AND RACIAL MATTERS. HE FURNISHED RELIABLE INFORMATION IN PAST, HOWEVER, IN JANUARY SIXTYEIGHT HE DROPPED OUT OF SIGHT, CONTACT DISCONTINUED AND CASE CLOSED. RECONTACT NOT MADE UNTIL HIS TELEPHONE ~~EXX~~ CALL PREVIOUSLY MENTIONED. THIS INFORMATION FURNISHED FOR LEAD VALUE ONLY. MIAMI NOT IN POSITION TO EVALUATE RELABILITY OF THIS INFORMATION.

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