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(Priority)TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
(ATTN: FBI LABORATORY)

FROM: SAC, MIAMI (9-New) (P)

UNSUB; ADAM CLAYTON POWELL - VICTIM
EXTORTION - RACIAL MATTER
(OO: MIAMI)Re Miami airtel 4/24/68, captioned "UNSUB; EDITOR,
"MIAMI NEWS". Florida - VICTIM - EXTORTION - RACIAL
MATTER: (OO: MIAMI)"Enclosed for the FBI Laboratory are 2 letters
and envelopes specifically described below. Enclosed for
Tampa Division are Xerox copies of the aforementioned items.On 4/29/68, Mr. JAMES KING, Security Officer,
Wackenhut Corp., Jackson Memorial Hospital, Miami, Fla.,
made available the enclosed letters which were received
at the Jackson Hospital in the U.S. mail addressed to
ADAM CLAYTON POWELL. Mr. KING is presently assigned the
responsibility of guarding ADAM CLAYTON POWELL who is
temporarily confined to Jackson Memorial Hospital under-
going medical examinations.The first letter enclosed consists of a plain
sheet of paper bearing in the left-hand column 4 photo-
graphs, apparently clipped from a newspaper, of individuals
identified as former civil rights leaders EVERS, Reverend
REEB; MALCOLM X and MARTIN LUTHER KING. In the opposite

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column are photographs of STOKELY CARMICHAEL, ADAM CLAYTON POWELL and RAP BROWN. No written message appears on the letter except the printed words "RAT BROWN" appear under the photograph of BROWN. All photographs were pasted to this sheet of paper.

This sheet was said to have been received in the hand-printed envelope postmarked St. Petersburg, Fla., 4/23/68, P.M., addressed to "Rev. ADAM CLAYTON POWELL, Patient at Jackson Memorial Hospital, Miami, Florida."

The second letter, which may or may not relate to this matter, was postmarked Miami, Fla., 4/24/68, and was received in a hand-printed envelope addressed to "ADAM C. POWELL, Jackson Memorial Hospital, Miami, Fla." This envelope bore the return address of J. JONES, 1416 N.W. 5th Avenue, Miami, Fla. Neither this name nor address is reflected in the Miami Cross-Reference Telephone Directory or City Directories. Found in this envelope was a sheet of paper containing the message "I hope you have cancer you mixed bread bastard."

The FBI Laboratory is requested to search the enclosed materials through the Anonymous Letter File to identify writer. The FBI Laboratory is also requested to compare the enclosed materials with each other to determine if they were prepared by the same writer. A latent fingerprint examination is also requested of enclosed materials. If latents are developed, the Identification Division is requested to compare such latents with any found on the materials transmitted by referenced Miami airtel and against those suspects set out by FBI # in referenced airtel.

For information of Tampa, referenced airtel submitted to the FBI Laboratory an unsigned post card postmarked Miami, 4/23/68, containing a threat to shoot POWELL and certain other civil rights leaders. The writer of this post card claimed he was the individual who shot MARTIN LUTHER KING.

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The FBI Laboratory is requested to expedite these examinations in view of the ten day deadline for a preliminary investigation of this matter. All materials should be returned to Miami at the completion of the examinations.

Information copies of this communication are furnished to Atlanta, Birmingham, Memphis, New York and WFO in view of their interest in the implied victims mentioned herein.

An information copy of this communication has been enclosed for Tampa in the event Department should request additional investigation.

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TO DIRECTOR (44-38861)
FROM MIAMI (44-1854)

MURKIN

REBUTEL FOUR TWENTYSIX LAST.

RETEL CONCERNED THREATS NOTED IN KING FILE BY
EARL LINDER AND ONE GILBERT, NOT FURTHER IDENTIFIED.

IRA DAVID HAWTHORNE, JR. (FORMER MM ONE ZERO EIGHT
ONE R), WHO RESIDES DIRECTLY BEHIND EARL LINDER IN MIAMI,
WAS CONTACTED FOUR TWENTYSIX LAST AND THIS DATE. HE
ADVISED HE HAS ALMOST DAILY CONTACT WITH LINDER WHO HAS
NOT EXPRESSED ANY UNUSUAL INTEREST IN OR KNOWLEDGE OF
KING'S DEATH. HE SAID LINDER HAS NOT TAKEN ANY RECENT
EXTENDED TRIPS FROM THE MIAMI AREA AND THERE HAS BEEN NO

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UNUSUAL ACTIVITY AROUND LINDER'S HOME. HE SAID LINDER'S MAIN INTEREST PRESENTLY SEEMS TO CENTER AROUND A "CONSERVATIVE CHURCH GROUP" FROM SOUTH CAROLINA. HE SAID LINDER IS GETTING OLD, NOT IN GOOD HEALTH, AND APPEARS TO HAVE SOME FINANCIAL PROBLEMS AND THEREFORE HIS ACTIVITIES HAVE BEEN LIMITED.

WILLIAM SOMERSETT (FORMER MM SIX ZERO SEVEN - R) ADVISED THIS DATE HE HAS NOT BEEN IN CONTACT WITH LINDER FOR SEVERAL MONTHS. HE SAID HE HAS HAD CONTACT WITH SOME MUTUAL ACQUAINTANCES. HE SAID HE HAS HEARD OF NOTHING TO SHOW LINDER HAS ANY PARTICULAR INTEREST IN OR KNOWLEDGE OF KING'S DEATH. HE KNEW NOTHING OF LINDER'S PRESENT INTERESTS OR ACTIVITIES.

SOMERSETT COULD NOT RECALL DETAILS OF INFORMATION PREVIOUSLY FURNISHED CONCERNING ONE GILBERT. HE SAID

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HE WAS SURE HE PREVIOUSLY FURNISHED ALL INFORMATION
AVAILABLE TO HIM CONCERNING THIS INDIVIDUAL AND HE WAS
UNABLE TO FURNISH FURTHER INFORMATION AT THIS TIME.

BOTH INDIVIDUALS MENTIONED ABOVE ADVISED THEY WOULD
REMAIN ALERT FOR POSSIBLE INFORMATION INDICATING LINDER'S
CONNECTION WITH CAPTIONED MATTER.

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FBI MIAMI

FBI WASH DC

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TO LOS ANGELES MIAMI
FROM DIRECTOR 44-38861 2P

MURKIN

THE FOLLOWING THREATS WERE NOTED IN THE KING FILE:
REFERENCE IS MADE TO LOS ANGELES FILE ONE HUNDRED-
FIVE SEVEN TWO TWO NINE AND ARTICLE DATED TWO TWENTYSIX
SIXTYFIVE FROM THE "HERALD EXAMINER" WHICH REFERS TO HEAVY
SECURITY PRECAUTIONS BY LOCAL AUTHORITIES AS A RESULT OF
ALLEGED THREATS ON KING'S LIFE. THE ARTICLE REFERS TO
KEITH D. GILBERT, TWENTYSEVEN, FOUR ONE NINE WESTERN AVENUE,
GLENDALE, CALIFORNIA, AND STATES GILBERT IS KNOWN AS A RACIST
AND INVOLVED IN THEFT OF DYNAMITE WHICH WAS FOUND IN HIS
APARTMENT ALONG WITH MINUTEMAN LITERATURE. AN LHM DATED
THREE TWO SIXTYFIVE, AT LOS ANGELES, REFERS TO ONE KEITH
DWAYNE GILBERT, RELATING TO INCIDENT WHERE GILBERT SHOT AT
NEGROES IN A CAR AND WAS ARRESTED BY LOS ANGELES POLICE
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DEPARTMENT NINE EIGHTEEN SIXTYFOUR. THE LHM ALSO REFERS
TO ONE GEORGE WILLARD REPORTEDLY [REDACTED]
WHO WAS A MEMBER OF THE JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY.

BY AIRTEL TO DIRECTOR THREE FIVE SIXTYFIVE ENTITLED
"RICHARD COTTON, RM. MINUTEMEN, INFORMATION CONCERNING - IS"
(MM ONE FIVE SEVEN - ONE TWO SIX EIGHT) REFERS TO ONE GILBERT,
NOT FURTHER IDENTIFIED, WHO REPORTEDLY HAD DYNAMITE TO BE
USED ON KING. ONE EARL LINDER, TWO FIVE TWO ONE NORTHWEST
TWENTYTHIRD STREET, MIAMI, ON THREE FIVE SIXTYFIVE, REPORTEDLY
TOLD MIAMI SIX ZERO SEVEN-R THAT "THEY" WOULD NOT MAKE THE
SAME MISTAKE AGAIN AND NEXT TIME SUGGEST USE OF HIGH-POWERED
RIFLE ON KING.

ON THREE TWENTYSIX SIXTYFIVE, LOS ANGELES OFFICE RECEIVED
INFORMATION THAT ONE WILLIAM HOWARD JAMISON, ONE ZERO ONE THREE
THREE SAN ANTONIO STREET, SOUTH GATE, CALIFORNIA, A FORMER
JOHN BIRCHER, ALLEGEDLY SAID "I AM GOING TO GET MARTIN LUTHER
KING, HE IS MINE." JAMISON REPORTEDLY HAD ADMITTED BOMBING
THE PROGRESSIVE BOOKSHOP IN LOS ANGELES.

ALTHOUGH SUBJECT RAY HAS BEEN IDENTIFIED AS THE ASSAILANT,
YOU SHOULD CONDUCT INVESTIGATION TO DETERMINE IF ANY OF THE ABOVE
MIGHT BE IMPLICATED AS A CONSPIRATOR.

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AIRTEL

TO: SAC, MEMPHIS

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

MURKIN
(OO: MEMPHIS)

Re Milwaukee airtel to Miami, 4/20/68.

For the information of Boston, information was received from Mr. DANIEL S. KELLY, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, who advised that on 3/28/68, while at the Sun Castle Motel, 1380 S. Ocean Blvd., Pompano Beach, Fla., an establishment operated by former FBI Agent, they chanced to deal with a bellboy of the motel who apparently left the motel shortly after 3/28/68, to travel to Tennessee to accept work as an electrician in an unknown city in Tennessee, at a salary of \$500 per week. KELLY thought the salary sounded absurd, and later viewing photographs of JAMES EARL RAY, both he and his wife felt the bellboy resembled RAY's description and photograph.

On 4/29/68, HERB BLONSTROM, Assistant Manager Sun Castle Motel, 1380 S. Ocean Blvd., Pompano Beach, Fla. was contacted re information contained in referenced airtel. BLONSTROM advised that based on this data, the

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individual referred to would probably be EARL B. SHIELDS of 15 Almond Dr., Randolph, Mass., Social Security Number [REDACTED] SHIELDS was employed from 3/28/68 to 4/1/68, as a bellboy. Talking to SHIELDS, BLONSTROM learned that he was divorced and was contemplating re-marriage. He reportedly had several children. He seems to recall SHIELDS mentioned sometime about going to Tennessee, but the name of the city is unknown.

BLONSTROM was unable to locate the employment application for SHIELDS and admitted his records were extremely disorganized. His motel has highly transient help and in fact the supervisor for SHIELDS at the time has since departed. BLONSTROM viewed a photograph of ERIC STARVO GALT and said he did not believe this photograph was identical to SHIELDS. He indicated SHIELDS has more hollow cheeks and a wider nose, although the hairline and eyes are similar. BLONSTROM is continuing efforts to locate SHIELDS' application and to identify individuals at the motel who would have known SHIELDS.

Records of the Pompano Beach and Ft. Lauderdale Police Departments and Broward County Sheriff's Office are negative regarding SHIELDS.

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BOSTON

AT RANDOLPH, MASSACHUSETTS

Conduct investigation at 15 Almond Dr., in effort to further identify SHIELDS so that he can be identified or eliminated as the subject in this matter.

MIAMI

AT POMPAÑO BEACH, FLORIDA

Maintain contact with the Sun Castle Motel in effort to further identify SHIELDS.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
FROM: SAC, MIAMI (44-1854) (P)
SUBJECT: MURKIN
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(OO: Memphis)

Re Atlanta teletype to the Bureau and Miami
dated 4/25/68.

Re: WILLARD F. RAY

WILLARD F. RAY, music student, University of
Miami, Miami, Florida, located at 1252 Dirksen Drive,
Apartment 33L.

RAY was eliminated as a suspect in this matter
through a check of his fingerprints.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
FROM: SAC, MIAMI (44-1854) (P)
SUBJECT: MURKIN
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(OO: Memphis)

Re Tampa teletype to Bureau dated 4/24/68.

Re: Suspect resembling subject JAMES EARL RAY
on PAA Flight 429 from Miami to St. Croix,
Virgin Islands, 4/8/68

Pan American Airlines records indicate that Seat 7F
on Flight 429 from Miami to St. Croix, Virgin Islands, on
4/8/68, was occupied by KARL NULL, 1208 N. W. 19th Street,
Ft. Lauderdale, Florida.

Investigation at Ft. Lauderdale, Florida, has
determined that he is not identical with subject JAMES EARL
RAY.

Seat 9F on Flight 429 was not occupied.

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Mystery Grows In King Case Manhunt

WASHINGTON — (AP) — FBI officials are quietly trying to play down contradictory descriptions of the appearance and habits of James Earl Ray, alias Eric Starvo Galt, the elusive escaped convict charged with the murder of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

The discrepancies have fueled speculation that perhaps Ray and Galt actually are two persons, or hat two or more persons used the name Galt.

No official statement has been issued to rebut this theory. But as the massive search for King's killer entered its fourth week, FBI sources who had refused to discuss any aspect of the investigation insisted that Ray and Galt are the same person.

"We know there's only one person involved here," said one official. "We've got his fingerprints and we know who he is."

This "one person" contention in itself seems to clash with the FBI's formal stance that Galt conspired with "an individual he alleged to be his brother" to violate King's civil rights.

The FBI filed the conspiracy complaint against Galt in Birmingham, Ala., 13 days after King was shot by a sniper in Memphis, Tenn., April 4. Tennessee officials quickly filed a murder charge against Galt.

Two days later, the FBI said a check of fingerprints showed, Ray was the man sought, and he had used Galt as an alias. Ray escaped April 23, 1967, from the Missouri state penitentiary where he was serving a 20-year sentence for a \$190 supermarket robbery.

The FBI has not amended its conspiracy complaint to name Ray instead of Galt, although Tennessee officials made such a name change in the Memphis murder charge.

In enlisting the public's help in the manhunt, the FBI has distributed thousands of flyers. The first set bears Galt's name, the second Ray's.

Puzzling aspects of the case continue to pop up. The newest involves Ray's, or Galt's, smoking habits.

Atlanta residents said cigaret or cigar ashes were scattered on the carpeted floor of a white 1966 Mustang that FBI agents impounded there a week after King was slain. They also said a cigar butt fell out of the car when agents opened the door. The FBI has said the car was owned by Galt.

In Missouri, it was reported that an FBI bulletin issued last year after Ray's prison escape said Ray "does not smoke."

In California, where the FBI said a man named Galt took dancing lessons from December 1967 through February 1968, an official of the dancing school, Rod Arbidson, said: "I never saw him smoke any kind of tobacco."

In Alabama, where a man named Galt lived in a Birmingham rooming house from August through October 1967, both the manager and the cook said Galt didn't smoke.

Reporters showed copies of the FBI-released picture of Galt to the Birmingham witnesses, and to residents of the Memphis rooming house from which the fatal shot was fired. Almost all said the photo didn't resemble the man they saw.

"Unless he was wearing a wig or had a face lift or something, it's not the man I saw," said Charles Stevens, who lives in the Memphis rooming house.

Varying ages have been given for the hunted man.

Memphis residents said the man they saw leave the rooming house appeared to be between 26 and 32. In Atlanta, a housewife who saw a man get out of the white Mustang estimated his age at 25 to 30. The FBI said Galt gave his age as 36. It said Ray is 40.

Estimates of the fugitive's height have ranged from 5-foot-8 to 6 feet, his weight from 160 to 175 pounds. His eyes have been described as either blue or hazel, his hair as either brown or sandy.

There are conflicts, too, in descriptions of Galt's habits.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, Miami

DATE: April 29, 1968

JRM : Director, FBI

SUBJECT: JAMES EARL RAY, aka - FUGITIVE
I.O. #4182; W.F. #442-A
CIVIL RIGHTS - CONSPIRACY;
INTERSTATE FLIGHT - ARMED ROBBERY
"TEN MOST WANTED FUGITIVES" PROGRAM
NEWSPAPER MAT

Being forwarded under separate cover is a supply of newspaper mats and proofs for expeditious distribution to all cooperative daily and weekly newspapers in your territory. Additional publications such as shoppers' guides should not be overlooked in obtaining the greatest possible publicity regarding this fugitive.

In most cases, these mats and proofs may be distributed by mail but when circumstances warrant they may be personally delivered by Special Agents. A form letter over the signature of the Special Agent in Charge may be utilized in distributing this material by mail and this letter should point out that the FBI is requesting the aid of the Nation's press in bringing about the prompt apprehension of this badly sought fugitive.

Prompt distribution should be made and additional supplies, if needed, are available at the Bureau. The following number of mats and proofs are being forwarded to your office under separate cover: 50.

As an additional means of securing widespread publicity concerning Ray, offices covering the place of publication of magazines which have previously cooperated in publicizing FBI fugitives should request the assistance of such publications in carrying an article on captioned fugitive. The Bureau press release, copies of which are available in each office, along with a glossy photograph of this fugitive can be furnished. The earliest possible utilization of this material should be encouraged and special attention should be given to publications aimed at minority groups.



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TO ALL SACS - RELAY MESSAGE PLAN

FROM DIRECTOR. 44-38861 1P

MURKIN

ALL OFFICES HAVING LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES IN THEIR TERRITORIES WHICH MAINTAIN UNIDENTIFIED LATENT FINGERPRINTS IN CONNECTION WITH MATTERS UNDER THEIR JURISDICTION SHOULD IMMEDIATELY CONTACT THESE AGENCIES AND REQUEST THAT THE FINGERPRINTS OF SUBJECT JAMES EARL RAY AS SET FORTH ON THE IO BE COMPARED WITH LATENTS OBTAINED SINCE HIS ESCAPE FROM MISSOURI STATE PENITENTIARY ON FOUR TWENTY-THREE SIXTY-SEVEN.

THIS IS FOR THE PURPOSE OF POSSIBLY ESTABLISHING RAY'S PAST WHEREABOUTS AND SOURCE OF FUNDS. LEGATS OTTAWA AND MEXICO CITY REQUESTED TO DO LIKEWISE. ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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TO DIRECTOR (44-38861), BALTIMORE, CHARLOTTE, DALLAS, DETROIT,

LAS VEGAS, LITTLE ROCK, LOUISVILLE, MIAMI, MINNEAPOLIS,

NEW HAVEN, OKLAHOMA CITY, PHILADELPHIA, SACRAMENTO, ST. LOUIS,

SAN FRANCISCO, TAMPA, AND WASHINGTON FIELD

FROM LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

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REMYTEL TO BUREAU APRIL TWENTY SIX LAST.

RE: TELEPHONE BOOTHS, ST. FRANCIS HOTEL, LOS ANGELES.

JAMES EARL RAY RESIDED IN HOLLYWOOD AREA, LOS ANGELES,
FROM NOVEMBER NINETEEN, ¹¹NINETEEN SIXTY SEVEN, THROUGH
MARCH SEVENTEEN LAST, ³₁₇ ¹₆₈ APPROXIMATELY. NOVEMBER NINETEEN
UNTIL APPROXIMATELY JANUARY TWENTY RESIDED NEAR ST.
FRANCIS HOTEL AND JANUARY TWENTY ONE TO MARCH SEVENTEEN
RESIDED THERE. TOLL NUMBERS FROM TELEPHONE BOOTHS AT THE
HOTEL ARE BEING ANALYZED FOR ANY POSSIBLE CALLS BY SUBJECT
WHILE IN LOS ANGELES AREA.

FOLLOWING NUMBERS HAVE BEEN DETERMINED TO HAVE BEEN
CALLED FROM THE TELEPHONE BOOTHS LOCATED IN THE ST.
FRANCIS HOTEL.

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FEBRUARY ELEVEN, SIXTY EIGHT, OXON HILL, MARYLAND,
TEN ZERO THREE AM, SIX THREE ZERO DASH THREE ONE EIGHT TWO.

CHARLOTTE

FEBRUARY FIFTEEN, SIXTY EIGHT, PEMBROKE, NORTH CAROLINA,
SEVEN FIFTY THREE PM, FIVE TWO ONE DASH FOUR SIX EIGHT NINE.

MARCH SEVENTEEN, SIXTY EIGHT, GOLDSBORO, NORTH CAROLINA,
NINE THIRTEEN AM, SEVEN THREE FIVE DASH FOUR TWO ZERO NINE.

DALLAS

MARCH TWELVE, SIXTY EIGHT, FORT WORTH, SIX ELEVEN PM, NINE
TWO FOUR DASH NINE THREE ZERO NINE.

DETROIT

FEBRUARY TWENTY NINE, SIXTY EIGHT, ST. INGACE, MICHIGAN,
TIME NOT KNOWN, SIX FOUR THREE DASH ONE TWO EIGHT SEVEN.

LAS VEGAS

DECEMBER TWENTY THREE, SIXTY SEVEN, LAS VEGAS, THREE TWENTY
EIGHT PM, SEVEN THREE FIVE DASH NINE SEVEN ONE THREE.

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LITTLE ROCK

FEBRUARY SIXTEEN, SIXTY EIGHT, LITTLE ROCK, ONE FORTY SEVEN PM, SIX SIX FOUR DASH ONE FOUR SEVEN EIGHT. TICKET REFLECTS THIS COLLECT CALL TO MRS. VERA D. AND KEN STURGIS, EIGHT ZERO TWO WASHINGTON BOULEVARD, LITTLE ROCK.

LOUISVILLE

JANUARY TWELVE, SIXTY EIGHT, STURGIS, NINE TWELVE PM, THREE THREE THREE DASH TWO SEVEN TWO EIGHT.

MIAMI

FEBRUARY FIFTEEN, SIXTY EIGHT, FORT LAUDERDALE, ELEVEN FORTY EIGHT AM, FIVE SIX FOUR DASH TWO THREE SEVEN ONE.

FEBRUARY SIXTEEN, SIXTY EIGHT, FORT LAUDERDALE, TWELVE NINETEEN PM, FIVE SIX FOUR DASH TWO THREE SEVEN ONE.

MINNEAPOLIS

JANUARY TWENTY ONE, SIXTY EIGHT, MINNEAPOLIS, ONE THIRTY FOUR AM, EIGHT SIX SIX DASH FOUR FOUR THREE NINE.

NEW HAVEN

FEBRUARY TWENTY, SIXTY EIGHT, NORWALK, CONNECTICUT, FIVE ELEVEN PM, EIGHT FOUR SEVEN DASH NINE ZERO FIVE TWO.

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FEBRUARY TWENTY SIX, SIXTY EIGHT, BRIDGEPORT, CONNECTICUT,
ELEVEN EIGHTEEN PM, THREE THREE SIX DASH FOUR NINE FOUR SEVEN.

OKLAHOMA CITY

FEBRUARY EIGHTEEN, SIXTY EIGHT, MIDWEST CITY, ONE TWENTY
ONE PM, SEVEN THREE SEVEN DASH FIVE EIGHT SEVEN SIX.

PHILADELPHIA

JANUARY THREE, SIXTY EIGHT, PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA,
SEVEN THIRTY SEVEN PM, TWO FOUR SEVEN DASH TWO ZERO TWO SEVEN.

DECEMBER TWELVE, SIXTY SEVEN, SHARON HILL, PENNSYLVANIA,
EIGHT SIXTEEN PM, FIVE EIGHT SIX DASH TWO ZERO SIX ZERO.

SACRAMENTO

DECEMBER EIGHTEEN, SIXTY EIGHT, SACRAMENTO, SIX ZERO
SEVEN PM, NINE TWO FIVE DASH EIGHT FOUR ZERO THREE.

DECEMBER TWENTY, SIXTY EIGHT, SACRAMENTO, TEN ZERO
FIVE PM, NINE TWO FIVE DASH EIGHT FOUR ZERO THREE.

ST. LOUIS

MARCH TEN, SIXTY EIGHT, KIRKWOOD, MISSOURI, TEN FORTY
EIGHT AM, SEVEN EIGHT ONE DASH EIGHT SEVEN SEVEN SIX.

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SAN FRANCISCO

FEBRUARY NINETEEN SIXTY EIGHT, SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA,
EIGHT TEN PM. TWO FIVE TWO DASH FOUR SEVEN ONE THREE.
TICKET REFLECTS PERSON TO PERSON CALL TO LENORE WIDEN, NINE
FOUR THREE BRENTWOOD.

FEBRUARY EIGHTEEN, SIXTY EIGHT, SAUSALITO, TWO FORTY
THREE PM. THREE THREE TWO DASH FIVE FIVE NINE TWO.

FEBRUARY EIGHTEEN, SIXTY EIGHT, SAUSALITO, SEVEN TWENTY
THREE PM. THREE THREE TWO DASH FIVE FIVE NINE TWO.

FEBRUARY NINETEEN, SIXTY EIGHT, SAUSALITO, THREE FORTY
THREE PM. THREE THREE TWO DASH FIVE FIVE NINE TWO.

FEBRUARY NINETEEN, SIXTY EIGHT, REDWOOD CITY, SEVEN TWENTY
NINE PM. THREE SIX FIVE DASH NINE SEVEN SIX THREE.

FEBRUARY NINETEEN SIXTY EIGHT, REDWOOD CITY, EIGHT ZERO
TWO PM. THREE SIX FIVE DASH NINE SEVEN SIX THREE.

FEBRUARY EIGHTEEN, SIXTY EIGHT, REDWOOD CITY, SEVEN
THIRTY TWO PM. THREE SIX NINE DASH EIGHT THREE SEVEN ZERO.
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FEBRUARY NINETEEN SIXTY EIGHT, REDWOOD CITY, SEVEN ZERO ONE PM, THREE SIX NINE DASH EIGHT THREE SEVEN ZERO.

FEBRUARY TWENTY, SIXTY EIGHT, REDWOOD CITY, FOUR ZERO THREE PM, THREE SIX NINE DASH EIGHT THREE SEVEN ZERO.

FEBRUARY TWENTY SIX, SIXTY EIGHT, REDWOOD CITY, NINE ZERO THREE PM, THREE SIX NINE DASH EIGHT THREE SEVEN ZERO.

FEBRUARY TWENTY SIX, SIXTY EIGHT REDWOOD CITY, NINE SEVENTEEN PM, THREE SIX NINE DASH EIGHT SEVEN ZERO.

FEBRUARY EIGHTEEN, SIXTY EIGHT, MILL VALLEY, SEVEN TWENTY FIVE PM, THREE EIGHT EIGHT DASH SEVEN ZERO FOUR FOUR.

FEBRUARY EIGHTEEN, SIXTY EIGHT, MILL VALLEY, SIX THIRTY FOUR PM, THREE EIGHT EIGHT DASH SEVEN ZERO FOUR FOUR.

DECEMBER ELEVEN, SIXTY SEVEN, SAN FRANCISCO, TWELVE TWENTY NINE PM, THREE SIX TWO DASH SIX ONE SIX ZERO.

DECEMBER TWELVE, SIXTY SEVEN, SAN FRANCISCO, ONE FIFTY SEVEN PM, THREE SIX TWO DASH SIX ONE SIX ZERO.

FEBRUARY TWENTY, SIXTY EIGHT, REDWOOD CITY, EIGHT FIFTY THREE PM, THREE SIX NINE DASH EIGHT THREE SEVEN ZERO.

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DECEMBER THIRTY ONE, SIXTY SEVEN, BRADENTON, FLORIDA,
SIX TWELVE, PM, SEVEN FOUR SIX DASH FOUR FIVE EIGHT FOUR.

DECEMBER TWENTY FIVE, SIXTY SEVEN, TAMPA, EIGHT THIRTEEN
AM, EIGHT THREE FOUR DASH FIVE EIGHT ZERO ONE. TICKET
REFLECTS RECEIVER OF CALL GEORGE DAVERNOY, FOUR SEVEN ZERO
ONE SAN JOSE STREET.

WASHINGTON FIELD

MARCH TWO, SIXTY EIGHT, WASHINGTON, D.C., SEVEN FIFTY ONE
PM, THREE THREE SEVEN DASH FIVE THREE ONE FIVE.

EACH OFFICE SHOULD ESTABLISH IDENTITY OF SUBSCRIBER AND
IDENTITY OF CALLER AND ANY INFORMATION THAT MIGHT BE GAINED
CONCERNING RAY IF HE MADE ANY OF THESE CALLS.

AIR MAIL COPIES FURNISHED MEMPHIS AND BIRMINGHAM.

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REPORT
of theFEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535To: **FBI, Memphis (44-1987)**

Date:

April 29, 1968

FBI File No.

44-38861Re: **MURKIN
CR**

Lab. No.

D-561622 JK**D-561624 JK****D-561625 JK**Specimens received **from Savannah, 4/25/68****K198 Six samples of laundry tape obtained from the Rogers
Laundry, Savannah, Georgia****Specimen received from Miami, 4/25/68****K199 Eight thermo-seal laundry tapes obtained from Famous
Cleaners, Miami, Florida****Specimen received from Savannah, 4/25/68****K200 Four samples taken from a Thermo Seal marking machine
used by the White Way Laundry, Port Wentworth, Georgia****Result of examination:**

Differences were noted which indicate that the laundry tags on Q97 and Q99 may not have originated from any of the machines which were used to prepare specimens K198, K199 and K200. These differences are not considered of such significance, however, that a definite opinion can be stated.

The submitted items have been retained.

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**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535**

To: **FBI, Memphis (44-1987)**

Date: **April 29, 1968**

Re: **MURKIN
CR**

OO: Memphis

J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover, Director

Examination requested by: **Savannah, Miami**

Reference: **Airtels 4/23/68 and 4/24/68**

Examination requested: **Document**

Remarks:

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1 - Savannah (44-1786) Enclosure (Lab report)

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, MIAMI (44-1854)

FROM : SA JOHN J. MC BREEN

SUBJECT: MURKIN
CR

DATE: 4/29/68

Re memo of CYRUS T. FALLS, JR., 4/18/68.

On 4/22/68 ROBERT C. LANE was telephonically contacted in regard to the information contained in referenced memo. LANE reiterated his identification of the caddy employed at the LaGorce Country Club, Miami Beach, Fla. In fact, after viewing a photograph of ERIC STARVO GALT in the Miami newspapers, he is more certain than ever the caddy who carried his golf bags on 4/14/68 is identical to GALT.

On 4/23/68 DOC SLOAN, Starter, LaGorce Country Club, advised that the identity of the individual who caddied for ROBERT C. LANE on 4/14/68 could be easily obtained by reviewing the log maintained by the Caddy Master, AL ADAMS. The log reflects that ROBERT MOTT was the caddy for LANE on 4/14/68. According to SLOANE, MOTT has caddied at LaGorce for the last five Winter seasons and is considered sober and very reliable.

On 4/24/68 AL ADAMS, Caddy Master, advised that ROBERT MOTT resides at 1610 West Avenue, Miami Beach, Fla. With respect to MOTT's background, ADAMS claimed that MOTT is a native of New York State and has caddied at the La Gorce Country Club for a number of years during the Winter season.

On 4/25/68 MOTT was contacted at the LaGorce Country Club and was eliminated as a suspect in this matter, based on physical description and facial characteristics. He stated his full name is ROBERT RICHARD MOTT, date of birth [REDACTED] at Hempstead, Long Island, New York. He is currently residing at the Astoria, 1611 West Ave., Miami Beach, Fla., but will return to Long Island at the end of the current week. MOTT stated his Social Security No. is [REDACTED]

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On April 23, 1968, CHALMER S. HALL, 825 S.W. 44th Avenue, Trailer Space A-14, telephonically advised that there is an individual residing in the trailer near him who arrived approximately one week ago who closely resembles the photographs of JAMES EARL RAY which have recently appeared in the newspapers. HALL indicated this individual is approximately 35-40 years of age, has light reddish hair and looks otherwise similar to the description of RAY as contained in the newspapers.

The following investigation was conducted by
SA STUART GODWIN, JR.:

CHALMER HALL, Trailer Space A-14, 825 S.W. 44th Avenue, advised that the person about whom he had telephoned resides in Trailer A-17, across the street and East of the HALL trailer. He stated this person had checked in about 10 days previous and was renting Trailer A-17 from Mrs. (FNU) RUBIN who resides in Trailer A-10.

HALL said he had seen pictures of RAY in newspapers and that the person in A-17 appeared to him to be identical with the photograph of RAY taken in 1960.

On the same date, CHARLOTTE RUBIN, Trailer A-10, advised that she owned Trailer A-17, and had rented it for the past April 10 to May 10, 1968, to JAMES FILIO. She was shown photographs of subject RAY and asked if FILIO was possibly identical. She stated that FILIO is definitely not identical inasmuch as FILIO is in his early 20s and that the only resemblance between FILIO and the photographs of RAY is that FILIO has a hair cut which resembles that of RAY as it appears in the 1960 photograph.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, MIAMI (44-1854)

FROM : SA STUART GODWIN, JR. (A)

SUBJECT: MURKIN
JAMES EARL RAY
LOOK-ALIKE

DATE: 4/30/68

Re Memo by Supervisor HOMER A. NEWMAN, JR.,
4/23/68.

Attached hereto is an insert incorporating the data
in Supervisor NEWMAN's memo and the investigation pertaining
thereto.

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The following investigation was conducted by
SA ROGER B. COLTON at Pompano Beach, Florida, on April 29,
1968:

Mr. LAWRENCE FITZSIMONS, Personnel Manager, Zinke-Smith Company (of which a product is Adapt-O-Core), Race Track Road, advised that KARL T. NULL, who resides at 1208 N. W. 19th Street, Ft. Lauderdale, Florida, has been employed by his company since June, 1961, as a transmission and diesel expert who is employed as a troubleshooter to keep maintenance on large earth moving machines utilized by his company.

According to NULL's time card, he was employed on a job in Pompano Beach, Florida, on April 4, 1968, and April 5, 1968, from 7 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. FITZSIMONS described NULL as a white male, 5'11"-6', 160 pounds, slender build who has two fingers missing on one hand and one finger missing on the other as a result of an accident in 1963 in the work shop of his company. He stated that there may possibly be a resemblance between NULL and JAMES EARL RAY, however, he can positively state that NULL is not identical with RAY.

He further advised that on or about April 8, 1968, NULL went to the Virgin Islands and other islands to do maintenance work on machines therein for his company. He reiterated that in his opinion and based upon the time cards of NULL, it would be impossible for NULL to have been in Memphis, Tennessee, on April 4, 1968, and is in no way identical with RAY.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, MIAMI

FROM : SA DAVID N. JELLISON

SUBJECT: MURKIN
CR

DATE: 4/30/68

Re Tampa teletype to Bureau dated 4/24/68,
and Miami airtel to the Bureau dated 4/29/68.

Attached hereto is an investigative insert
reflecting investigation conducted in connection with
referenced Tampa teletype.

Re: Suspect Resembling Subject JAMES EARL RAY
on PAA Flight 429 from Miami to Virgin
Islands, 4/8/68.

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The following investigation was conducted by SAs DAVID N. JELLISON and THOMAS H. STOIY at Miami, Florida, on April 25, 1968:

All hippie hangouts and psychedelic art and trinket shops in the greater Miami area were contacted and furnished with wanted flyers of subject. None were able to identify subject although they all agreed to post the wanted flyers in their respective business establishments.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, MIAMI

FROM : SA DAVID N. JELLISON

SUBJECT: MURKIN
CR

DATE: 4/30/68

Re Bureau teletype to all SACs dated 4/24/68.

Attached hereto is an investigative insert reflecting investigation in connection with referenced Bureau teletype.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, MIAMI (44-1854)

FROM : SA JOHN J. MC BREEN

SUBJECT: MURKIN
CR

DATE 4/30/68

Re: Suspect JAMES EUGENE GAULT

Re St. Louis teletype to Miami 4/18/68 (Ser. 264).

On 4/19/68 Mrs. GIRLING (Protect), Secretary, Postal Inspector's Office, Miami, Fla., advised the Ludlam Post Office Branch is located at 6900 S. W. 40th St., Miami, Fla. In regard to the identity of a person receiving mail c/o General Delivery at that Post Office, Mrs. GIRLING suggested the interviewing agent contact W. J. SMITH, Superintendent of the Ludlam Branch.

On 4/19/68 W. J. SMITH advised an individual known as JAMES EUGENE GAULT executed a change of address form dated 3/12/68, requesting mail previously delivered to 8220 S. W. 44th St., Miami, Fla., be held for him c/o General Delivery. Mr. SMITH stated GAULT has not received any mail for the past week. He recalled that GAULT underwent a back operation at a local hospital, possibly the Veterans Administration Hospital.

On 4/19/68 ELIZABETH H. SALLEY, Secretary, Registrar's Office, Veterans Administration Hospital, stated her files contained no information identifiable with an individual by the name of JAMES EUGENE GAULT.

On 4/22/68 SAM TRABANELLO, 8220 S. W. 44th St., advised GAULT resided with his family while he, GAULT, was dating his daughter JOAN. GAULT underwent a back operation at Baptist Hospital, Miami, and to the best of his knowledge resides in the Greater Miami area. He suggested the interviewing agent contact Liberty Mutual Insurance Co., 250 Bird Rd., Coral Gables, Fla., for more specific information.

On 4/22/68 A. NOLL, Claims Manager, Liberty Mutual Insurance Co., reviewed workman's compensation claim file



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C-554-30742 for suspect. According to NOLL, GAULT was injured on a construction site and first received workman's compensation benefits on 5/7/57. GAULT has been in several local hospitals, the most recent of which was the Mercy Hospital, where he was admitted 3/21/68 and discharged 3/25/68. The last entry in the file for a drug purchase on 3/30/68 reflects GAULT's current address as Apartment #4, 4007 S. W. 60th Ct., Miami, Fla.

On 4/22/68 inquiry at the Tina Apartments, 4007 S. W. 60th Ct., re GAULT, met with negative results.

On 4/23/68 GAULT telephonically contacted the Miami Office of the FBI and advised he can be contacted at the Raceway Court, Apartment #2, Hialeah, Fla.

On this same date, 4/23/68, information was received that GAULT was available for interview at the Turf Motel, 7000 N. W. 27th Ave., Room #10.

On 4/23/68 GAULT was contacted at the Turf Motel, 7000 N. W. 27th Ave., and was eliminated as a suspect in captioned matter on the basis of physical appearance and facial characteristics. GAULT stated he was injured on 4/13/67 while employed as a carpenter for Heavy Contractors of Miami. He has had several back operations for a slipped disc. He can specifically recall being confined in the Methodist Hospital from 7/16/67 to 7/21/67, and the Baptist Hospital from 8/7/67 through 8/14/67. He was also confined to the Mercy Hospital on two occasions, but cannot recall the dates.

GAULT was born [REDACTED] St. Louis, Mo., is 6'2" tall, 170 lbs., brown eyes, black hair, with receding hairline. He is a member of Carpenters Local #5, AFL-CIO, 1401 Hampton Ave., St. Louis, Mo.

A photograph of JAMES EARL RAY was displayed to him with negative results. He knows of no other "GAULTS" living in the Greater Miami area.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : MEMO, SAC (44-1854)

FROM : SUPERVISOR HOMER A. NEWMAN, JR.

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 4/23/68

On 4/23/68, Mr. ^CTHALMERS HALL, 825 SW 44th Avenue, Trailer Space #A-14, telephone 444-4734, telephonically advised that there is an individual who arrived at the trailer park approximately a week ago who closely resembles subject RAY. He indicated he is approximately 35 to 40 years of age, has redish light hair and is otherwise similar to the description released in the press.

He indicated that this individual was residing approximately three trailers from where he lives and if an Agent comes by he will be most happy to point out the trailer.

This individual should be eliminated as to whether or not he is identical with the subject.

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Date April 29, 1968

RE:

MURKIN

☐ For information ☐ Retention optional ☒ For appropriate action ☐ Surep, by _____

☐ The enclosed is for your information. If used in a future report, ☐ conceal all sources, ☐ paraphrase contents.

☐ Enclosed are corrected pages from report of SA _____ dated _____

Remarks:

Enclosed are copies of photographs taken by a woman companion of the subject while he was in Mexico in the Fall of 1967.

These are for your further assistance in connection with efforts to locate the subject. *44-1854-351*

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11:52 AM URGENT 5/1/68 PXB

TO DIRECTOR , ATLANTA, JACKSONVILLE,
MIAMI, MEMPHIS
FROM ALBANY (44-493) 1P

MURKIN.

RE ATLANTA TEL TO BUREAU, APRIL THIRTY LAST.

CAPTAIN MAURICE DECARIE, MONTREAL PD, AUTO THEFT
SQUAD, TODAY ADVISED NO SUSPECTS OR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
DEVELOPED RE THEFT AT MONTREAL, AUGUST TWENTYONE LAST
OF SIXTYSEVEN CADILLAC, VIN F SEVEN ONE ONE TWO SEVEN
NINE FIVE.

ALBANY CONTACTED LEGAT OTTAWA APRIL THIRTY LAST
RE LEAD SUGGESTED RETEL AND LEGAT STATED RCMP CONDUCTING
INVESTIGATION RE GALT'S RESIDENCE IN MONTREAL AND
HE WOULD HAVE RCMP INTERVIEW EISENBERG AND CONDUCT
NEIGHBORHOOD INVESTIGATION AT PLACE OF THEFT INSTANT
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TO: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)

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

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Re Memphis airtel, 4/19/68.

COST DATA - MIAMI DIVISION

I. Man Hours - Regular and Overtime

A. Special Agents

Regular	400 hrs.
Overtime	<u>125</u> hrs.
Total Agent Man Hours	525 hrs.

B. Clerical Employees

Regular	128 hrs.
Overtime	<u>0</u> hrs.
Total Clerical Man Hours	128 hrs.

II. Total Mileage Traveled

1800 miles

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III. Unusual Or Out of Ordinary Cost

None

IV. Peak Number of Special Agents Working

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TO MIAMI

FROM MINNEAPOLIS (157-450) 1P

MURKIN. CR.

JAMES L. THOMAS, FIVE ZERO THREE TWO EWING AVENUE NORTH, MINNEAPOLIS, TELEPHONICALLY ADVISED AN UNIDENTIFIED INDIVIDUAL DELIVERED A VARIETY OF SEAFOOD TO MICHAELS RESTAURANT, MINNEAPOLIS TODAY. THOMAS ADVISED THIS INDIVIDUAL APPEARED TO BE IDENTICAL WITH SUBJECT, JAMES EARL RAY. THOMAS, WHO IS THE CHEF AT MICHAELS, ADVISED THAT INSTANT SEAFOOD WAS PURCHASED FROM ALTERMAN TRANSPORT LINES, INC., P. O. BOX FIVE ONE SEVEN, MIAMI, FLORIDA, TELEPHONE NUMBER SIX THREE FIVE DASH ZERO EIGHT ONE ONE. THOMAS COULD FURNISH NO ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONCERNING INSTANT DELIVERYMAN. THOMAS ADVISED TRUCK IDENTIFIE S ALTERMAN TRANSPORT LINES, INC., MIAMI, FLORIDA, WITH FLORIDA LICENSE ONE DASH ZERO DASH SIX ONE FOUR.

MIAMI, CONTACT ALTERMAN TRANSPORT LINES INC., AND OBTAIN SUFFICIENT INFORMATION TO ELIMINATE INSTANT DELIVERYMAN AS BEING IDENTICAL WITH SUBJECT.

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427P EDT URGENT 4/30/68 VSC

TO DIRECTOR, ALBANY, JACKSONVILLE, MIAMI, AND MEMPHIS
FROM ATLANTA 44-2386 . 3P

MURKIN

ALBANY, JACKSONVILLE AND MIAMI REFER TO YOUR FILE ENTITLED
UNSUB; SIXTYSEVEN CADILLAC DEVILLE, VIN F SEVEN ONE ONE TWO SEVEN
NINE FIVE, SIXTYSEVEN-STYEIGHT FLORIDA LICENSE ONE W ONE SEVEN
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ZERO THREE THREE; JACKSONVILLE TWENTYSIX - ONE EIGHT THREE NINE
NINE; AND MIAMI TWENTYSIX - THREE THREE FOUR ZERO ONE.

FOR INFO THESE OFFICES, CAPTIONED CAR FOUND ABANDONED
ATLANTA AIRPORT, NOV. THIRTEEN, 'SIXTYSEVEN. CAR LEFT AT AIRPORT
ANYWHERE FROM THIRTY - SEVENTYFIVE DAYS AND INVESTIGATION REFLECTS
CAR REPORTED STOLEN AUG. TWENTYFIRST, 'SIXTYSEVEN, FROM CHARLES
GILL AND TARDIVEL STREETS, MONTREAL, CANADA, WHILE IN POSSESSION
OF LOU EISENBERG, TWO TWO EIGHT FIVE CHARLES GILL STREET, MONTREAL.
CAR PROPERTY OF NEPEAN MTRS., LTD., SEVENTY RICHMOND RD., OTTAWA,
ONTARIO, CANADA. EISENBERG PARKED CAR ON STREET NEAR HOME AT ONE
AM, AUG. TWENTYFIRST, 'SIXTYSEVEN, AND CAR MISSED ELEVEN THIRTYSEVEN
AM, AUG. TWENTYFIRST, 'SIXTYSEVEN, AT WHICH TIME COMPLAINT NUMBER
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P SEVEN - TWO ZERO - THREE FIVE THREE SEVEN SIX NINE, MADE TO MONTREAL PD. INVESTIGATION MIAMI REFLECTED CAR REGISTERED TO MICHAEL ST. PIERRE, TWO ONE FIVE ONE N.W. ONE HUNDRED NINETEENTH ST., WHICH IS LOCATION OF THE FAMOUS DOOR LOUNGE. ST. PIERRE UNKNOWN AT THAT ADDRESS; HOWEVER, PREVIOUSLY RECEIVED MAIL, PARTICULARLY CORRESPONDENCE FROM PHILLIP SIXTYSIX PETROLEUM CO. INVESTIGATION CAPTIONED MADE REFLECTS RAY LAST MONTREAL, CANADA, SOMETIME IN AUG. 'SIXTYSEVEN. . POSSIBILITY EXISTS CADILLAC RECOVERED ATLANTA, USED BY RAY IN TRAVELS TO SOUTH.

ALBANY RECONTACT MONTREAL PD FOR ANY FURTHER INFO THEY MAY HAVE RE THEFT REPORT ON 'SIXTYSEVEN CADILLAC. CONSIDER DOING APPROPRIATE NEIGHBORHOOD INVESTIGATION AND INTERVIEW LOU EISENBERG, DISPLAYING PHOTOS TO ASCERTAIN IF RAY KNOWN IN AREA OF THEFT.

JACKSONVILLE AT TALLAHASSEE. RECONTACT MVB, OBTAIN ORIGINAL REGISTRATION AND FORWARD TO LAB FOR HANDWRITING COMPARISON WITH SUBJECT RAY.

MIAMI AT ONE HUNDRED NINETEENTH ST. CONDUCT NEIGHBORHOOD INVESTIGATION, DISPLAY PHOTOS OF RAY, CONTACT POST OFFICE AUTHORITIES. ALL IN ATTEMPT TO IDENTIFY RAY AS POSSIBLY USING ALIAS OF MICHAEL ST. PIERRE.

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MIAMI NOTE RAY REPORTEDLY IN BIRMINGHAM, AUG. TWENTYNINE, 'SIXTYSEVEN AND LOOKED AT 'SIXTYSIX MUSTANG, WHICH HE SUBSEQUENTLY PURCHASED FOLLOWING DATE. REGISTRATION FOR CADILLAC ALSO INDICATES DATE AUG. TWENTYNINE, 'SIXTYSEVEN.

SEPARATE COMMUNICATION DIRECTED TO KANSAS CITY TO CONTACT PHILLIP SIXTYSIX PETROLEUM CO. RE ST. PIERRE.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS. P

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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CONTRIBUTOR OF FINGERPRINTS	NAME AND NUMBER	ARRESTED OR RECEIVED	CHARGE	DISPOSITION
PD Long Beach Calif	Paul Alvin Lail #DR 123003	sleeper 4-5-50		rel
CSC-A	Paul Alvin Lail #6.51.63066	6-26-51		
PD Springfield Ohio	Paul Alvin Lail Jr. #10-377	10-17-51	Embezzlement	10-26-51 fined \$100. & Cost. Susp
SO Bellefontaine Ohio	Paul-Alvin Lail Jr #--	7-25-52	passing bad checks	bound over to Grand Jury
PD Flagstaff Ariz	Paul A Lail Jr #5436	12-10-56	sleeper	rel 12-11-56
Army	Paul Alvin Lail Jr #RA 15263844	7-3-47 Cleveland Ohio		
USM El Paso Texas	Paul Alvin Lail Jr. #E-19127	11-22-57	Sect #2312 (Dyer Act)	1-17-58 18 mos in custody of USAG EP on chg Section 2312 T18 USC
Fed Corr Inst La Tuna Texas	Paul Alvin Lail Jr. #34292-T	1-27-58	Dyer Act	1 yr & 6 mos
Fed Corr Inst Milan Mich	Paul Alvin Lail Jr. #20261-MM	10-6-58 trans fr La Tuna	NMVT	3-30-59 min exp

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CONTRIBUTOR OF FINGERPRINTS	NAME AND NUMBER	ARRESTED OR RECEIVED	CHARGE	DISPOSITION
SO Bartow Fla	Paul A. Lail #B-1885-1	3-22-61	worthless checks	
SO Bloomfield Mo	Paul Arthur Carter #--	5-18-63	no account check	
PD Galesburg Ill	Paul Alvin Lail Jr. #6131	10-12-63	unlawful flight (jailbreak at Bloomfield Mo) local: forg checks with held pending Fed auth / dispo	hold for Fed Auth
USM Springfield Ill	Paul A. Lail Jr. #673	10-15-63	Interstate flight to avoid confinement Stoddard Co Mo	
Dept of Corr Jefferson City Mo	Paul A Carter #07591	11-5-63	no funds chk escaping jl	6 yrs (3,3 CS) Paroled to Mo 5-31-66 Disch under parole rel no chg
SO Ft Lauderdale Fla	Paul A Lail Jr. #CR 885	6-22-67	viol Cr Reg	
PD West Palm Beach Fla	Paul Alvin Lail #32240	7-6-67	Crim Reg	rel immediately
SO West Palm Beach Fla	Paul A Lail Jr. #CR 350	7-6-67	Crim Reg	immediate rel

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	WANTED BY BUREAU: Paul Arthur Lail, Jr., aka, Paul Arthur Carter UFAC-Fraudulent Check Fug Index #92060 Bu file #88-26870 OO. St. Louis inf rec 7-10-63 CAUTION: SUBJECT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS NO LONGER WANTED: per inf rec 10-13-63. 			

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TO:

Date **4-26-68**[**SAC, Springfield (44-561)**]Your inquiry **4-26-68**

**RE: MURKIN
CR**

- ☒ 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
☐ Confirming FBI wire of
☐ A wanted notice has not been placed as subject appears to be in custody.
☐ 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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Memorandum

TO : SAC, MIAMI (44-1854)

FROM : SA ROBERT W. WISEMAN

SUBJECT: MURKIN
CIVIL RIGHTS

DATE: 5/1/68

Reference is made to the writer's previous memo submitted concerning information furnished by WALTER and MYRTLE SHULL at Boca Raton, Fla. on 4/20/68, and subsequent inquiry at Delray Beach, Fla. on 4/22/68.

Mr. AL DE CLERC, owner of Al's Welding Shop, State Road Seven, Delray Beach, Fla. was recontacted on 4/24/68, at his request.

DE CLERC advised that the previous employment dates had had given for suspect DONALD MILLER, were in error, that MILLER was actually employed from March 6-14, 1968. However, his friend GILROY was employed here on April 4, 1968. DE CLERC added that his records further reflect that MILLER's true name is DONALD LEE MILLER, Social Security Number [REDACTED] and that his W-2 form bears the address of Rural Route #3, Mendota, Illinois. DE CLERC stated that MILLER does bear some resemblance to subject RAY; however, MILLER was very heavy in the shoulders and in his opinion would run in excess of 190 pounds. DE CLERC stated that he is certain that MILLER could not be identical with subject RAY, but wanted to correct the information that he had previously furnished in error.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
FROM: SAC, MIAMI (44-1854) (P)
SUBJECT: MURKIN
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Re Los Angeles teletype to Bureau dated 4/29/68.

Re: Telephone Booths St. Francis Hotel, Los Angeles

Investigation at Ft. Lauderdale, Florida, indicates that telephone number 564-2371 is the listed number for the Holy Cross Hospital, 4725 North Federal Highway, Ft. Lauderdale, Florida. Hospital officials advised that no record is maintained of who received telephone calls coming in through the hospital switchboard.

Photographs of subject JAMES EARL RAY displayed to hospital officials and employees and none were able to identify. No record of RAY or any aliases used by RAY in hospital records. Wanted flyer of RAY was posted on the hospital bulletin board. ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

- 3 - Bureau (RM)
- 1 - Birmingham (Info) (RM)
- 2 - Los Angeles (44-1574) (RM)
- 1 - Memphis (44-1987) (Info) (RM)
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Date 4/27/68

PAUL ALVIN LAIL was informed of the identities of the interviewing agents and the nature of this interview.

LAIL advised he is presently living at 34 Barbados Drive, Palm Springs, with his wife BETTY and five month old baby.

LAIL stated he had been an inmate in the Missouri State Penitentiary for three years and while confined there he had met and known JAMES EARL RAY. He stated he was not very close or friendly with RAY but he did eat with him a number of times when he was in the kitchen visiting with his friend, LEWIE "WHITEY" DOWDA. He said he also watched a number of ball games and television programs with RAY.

LAIL described RAY as being a guy who knew his way around but was not one of the wheels or leaders in prison; that RAY was a sharp intelligent guy who hung around with the boys who were always up to something and were in on all of the deals. LAIL advised RAY never seemed to have a lot of money but always seemed to have enough to get whatever he wanted.

LAIL said most of the guys (he cannot recall their names) that he, RAY, was with most of the time were on dope and were peddling it.

LAIL continued by saying that RAY's big buddy was NEAL ABBEY who was a "big wheel" and the guy who ran the prison kitchen with "an iron hand." LAIL stated ABBEY was the guy who got RAY into the kitchen which was a good deal (job).

LAIL advised that LEO BARNETT handled dope and peddled it in the Missouri State Penitentiary and he believes he is now in prison somewhere in Florida. He said that BARNETT would know for certain if RAY had been on dope and where and who he got the dope from.

On 4/26/68 at Palm Springs, Florida File # Miami 44-1854-360
by SAs ROBERT W. WISEMAN and
PATRICK A. PHILBIN PAP/kmm Date dictated 4/26/68

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LAIL further advised that FRED MILLER, "a cut and dried con," who worked in the tag plant of the prison, was one of the leaders and knew RAY well and he might be able to furnish information about him if he would talk to the FBI.

LAIL related that WHITEY DOWDA also knew RAY pretty well and would know more about him than he did since they both worked in the kitchen together for quite a while. He said WHITEY had been living in Marietta, Georgia, and he recently heard that WHITEY is now in jail in Marietta on a robbery charge.

LAIL stated there had been trouble with some of the Negro prisoners in the Missouri State Penitentiary who were Black Muslims so some of the prisoners decided to teach them a lesson and three or four of the Negro leaders were killed. LAIL stated he did not know if RAY was in on the actual killing, but he was close with the ones that did it and therefore could have been in on the killing or at least he knew who did kill the Negroes.

LAIL would not make any further statements about the killing of the Negroes in the Missouri State Penitentiary and he stated he could not furnish any names or identities but he did say there were ten inmates who were in on the killing of the Negroes.

LAIL said he could not recall RAY saying too much about Negroes and he does not believe from his conversations with RAY that he, RAY, was a racist, however, all of the inmates in the Missouri State Penitentiary did not like the Negroes because of their belligerent attitude and animosity toward the white inmates.

LAIL stated RAY liked to wear his hair short in the summer months and long in the winter. He said RAY used to have a "butch" cut in the summer months.