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Mrs. WOODSIDE requested that her identity be protected and the above information not be attributed to her.

LEADS

NEW YORK DIVISION

At New York, New York

Set out leads to appropriate field offices to contact passengers on American Airlines Flight 338 traveling Tourist Class to determine if above individual identical with JAMES EARL RAY.

RAY SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS

4/26/68

AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

TO: DIRECTOR FBI (44-38861)
FROM: SAC OKLAHOMA CITY (44-686) (P)

MURKIN
CIVIL RIGHTS
OO Memphis

Re New York airtel to the Director 4/23/68, and
Oklahoma City tel to the Director, 4/19/68.

On 4/26/68, Mrs. DONOVAN B. (NORMAN A.) WOODSIDE, 309
Elmwood Drive, Edmond, Oklahoma, was reinterviewed and IO 4182
displayed to her. Mrs. WOODSIDE said the individual she saw on
American Airlines Flight 538 from Dallas, Texas, to Philadelphia,
Pennsylvania, on 4/6/68, very strongly resembled RAY and she
believes him to be identical with RAY. She stated she first
noticed this individual in the Love Field Terminal, American
Airlines, Waiting Area, a few moments prior to boarding this
flight. Mrs. WOODSIDE said she could not locate her ticket
stub, but believes she occupied seat 14-C, an aisle seat on the
left side of the plane, in the tourist section, and that the above
individual occupied the aisle seat one row up on the right.

Mrs. WOODSIDE said this individual did not get off
the plane when it landed at Friendship Airport in Baltimore, Md.,
did not converse with anyone on the plane, and carried no luggage.

- 1 - Bureau
- 1 - Dallas (Info)
- 2 - Memphis (44-1987)
- 2 - New York (44-1609)
- 1 - Philadelphia (44-1368) (Info)
- 1 - Oklahoma City

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She informed he deplaned at Philadelphia, Pa., and she lost sight of him when her husband met her at the airport. Mrs. WOODSIDE related her husband is employed by RGA International Service Company, Camden, New Jersey, as Area Manager. He is presently on an assignment in the Azores, but at the time was working out of Camden, N. J. Mrs. WOODSIDE said she made the trip to spend Easter with her husband, and returned to Edmond, Oklahoma, on 4/16/68. Mrs. WOODSIDE stated she did not know any of the people on Flight 338.

Mrs. WOODSIDE said she has made so many trips by air that she now spends her time watching other passengers. She noticed that the above individual was visibly nervous, pulled at both of his ears and his nose and would rub the back of his neck, going from one to the other almost in one motion. She also noticed he had bitten his fingernails up to the quick. He spent some time listening to the radio, using the headset in the seat pocket in front of him and often removed these from his ears only to replace them in a few moments. While waiting for the plane to depart Dallas, he nervously directed his gaze out the window as if looking for someone. Mrs. WOODSIDE said at the time she thought he was afraid to fly, which resulted in his nervous manifestations. He appeared so nervous, Mrs. WOODSIDE said, that she thought he might "pass out."

Mrs. WOODSIDE described the above individual as follows:

Face	White
Age	35-40
Height	5'10"
Weight	170-180
Hair	Medium brown, worn long with a tendency to have a little wave
Complexion	Medium
Scars and marks	None noted
Peculiarities	Extremely nervous - pulled at both ears, nose and rubbed the back of neck, going from one to the other almost in one motion; bit fingernails up to the quick; nose has slight bump just below eye level which protrudes slightly up and out to both sides of nose.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
FROM: SAC, DALLAS (44-2649)(P)
SUBJECT: MURKIN
CIVIL RIGHTS

OO-MEMPHIS

Re Los Angeles teletype to New York and Director,
4/25/68.

RE: WILSHIRE BOOK COMPANY
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

The following investigation was conducted by SA LLOYD
B. HARRELL, JR.:

AT ELECTRA, TEXAS

RONNIE RAY, 406 W. Franklin Street, was interviewed
and advised he is a life long resident of Electra, Texas, and
is in no way related to JAMES EARL RAY.

B. L. HATAWAY, Desk Sergeant, Electra, Texas Police
Dept., advised that RONNIE RAY is life long resident and member
of the Electra School Board and a clerk in the U. S. Post Office.

3 - Bureau
1 - Los Angeles (Info)
① - New York (44-1609)(Info)
2 - Memphis (44-1987)
2 - Dallas
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AIRTEL

AIR MAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
FROM: SAC, DALLAS (44-2649)(P)
SUBJECT: MURKIN
OO-MEMPHIS

Re New York airtel to Bureau, 4/23/68.

On 4/25/68, each of the following who were the stewardesses on American Airlines Flight No. 338 from Dallas, Texas, to Philadelphia on 4/6/68 advised the photographs on FBI Identification Order No. 4182, dated 4/20/68, for JAMES EARL RAY do not appear to be of anyone observed on Flight No. 338 on 4/6/68:

VIRGINIA VANCE, 5049 Cedar Springs, Apartment 120, Dallas, Texas, telephone LA 8-3993;

BOHNIIE CRAVEN, 2625 Hudnall, Apartment 226, Dallas, Texas, telephone LA 6-4156;

JANICE THENRELL, 3726 Fairfax, Dallas, Texas, telephone 521-5349;

ANNETTE BUATT, 2710 Douglas, Apartment 124, Dallas, Texas, telephone LA 1-1548.

3 - Bureau
2 - Memphis (44-1987)
1 - Oklahoma City (44-686)(Info)
1 - Philadelphia (Info)
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URGENT

TELETYPE

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

FROM: SAC, CHICAGO (44-1114)

MURKIN

RE WFO TEL TO BUREAU, APRIL TWENTY FIVE LAST; CHICAGO
TEL TO DIRECTOR, SEPTEMBER TWENTY TWO LAST, CAPTIONED,
"REPORTED THREAT TO THE LIFE OF SENATOR EVERETT DIRKSEN, VICE-
PRESIDENT HUBERT HUMPHREY, AND SENATORIAL CANDIDATE CHARLES
H. PERCY. INFORMATION CONCERNING," AND CHICAGO AIRTEL TO DIRECTOR,
SEPTEMBER TWENTY SEVEN LAST, CAPTIONED, "KELLY WILLIAMS. INFORMA-
TION CONCERNING."

INVESTIGATION, CHICAGO, DETERMINED SOURCE OF STORY ABOUT
KING'S CHAUFFEUR WAS HAROLD E. RAINVILLE, ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT
TO SENATOR DIRKSEN WHO RELATED STORY IN PRESENCE OF SENATOR
WALLACE BENNETT OF UTAH AT RECEPTION HELD FOR SENATOR BENNETT
IN CHICAGO APRIL FOUR LAST.

RAINVILLE ADVISED HE ORIGINALLY HEARD STORY FROM DR.
RALPH KUNSTADTER, NINE HUNDRED NORTH MICHIGAN, CHICAGO. DR.
KUNSTADTER HAD ADVISED THAT KELLY WILLIAMS, AN ELDERLY COLORED
MALE, FORMERLY CHAUFFEURED FOR HIM, BUT WAS LET GO ABOUT A YEAR

1 - WFO (44-703) (AM)
① - New York (AM)
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AND A HALF AGO BECAUSE OF PHYSICAL CONDITION. A YEAR LATER WILLIAMS WORKED FOR KING AS CHAUFFEUR, BUT RECALLED NOTHING ABOUT WILLIAMS CARRYING A BAG WITH LARGE SUMS OF MONEY IN IT FOR KING. DR. KUNSTADTER RECALLED WILLIAMS HAD A DISEASE AFFECTING HIS BRAIN, AND THOUGHT WILLIAMS WAS PROBABLY DEAD BY NOW.

INVESTIGATION CONDUCTED BY CHICAGO IN NINETEEN SIXTY SIX CAPTIONED, "KELLY WILLIAMS. INFORMATION CONCERNING," REFLECTS WILLIAMS HAD APPARENT MENTAL PROBLEMS AND OTHER REASONS TO DOUBT HIS VERACITY. AT THAT TIME IT WAS ALSO DETERMINED THAT NEITHER CHICAGO NOR ATLANTA OFFICE HAD ANY INFORMATION INDICATING KING OR ASSOCIATES HAD EVER UTILIZED PROFESSIONAL CHAUFFEURS IN THEIR TRAVELS.

NO FURTHER INQUIRY BEING MADE CONCERNING THIS MATTER.

SUBJECT ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

4/26/68

AIRTEL

AIR MAIL

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

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

SUBJECT: MURKIN
OO:MEMPHIS

RE: J. A. GALT

Re New York tel to Bureau and SAC's Memphis and Seattle, 4/26/68; and Seattle airtel to Bureau, 4/11/68.

J. A. GALT referred to in referenced tel previously eliminated as set out in re airtel from Seattle.

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- 3 - Bureau
- 2 - Memphis (44-1987)
- 1 - New York (44-1609) (Info)
- 2 - Seattle

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TO: SAC, NEW YORK

FROM: SAC, NEWARK (44-854) (P)

SUBJECT: MURKIN;
RE INFO FURNISHED BY
CHARLES RINDONE CONCERNING
SUSPECT AT ENGLEWOOD, NEW JERSEY

Re New York teletype to Newark dated 4/25/68.

CHARLES LONNIE COTTON, 152 Elm Street, Englewood, New Jersey, determined not to be JAMES EARL RAY. The following identification was obtained from COTTON:

Name	CHARLES LONNIE COTTON
Home Address	586 Mowbray Arch, Norfolk Virginia
Race	White
Sex	Male
Weight	140
Height	5' 9"
Eyes	Blue
Hair	Brown
Social Security Number	[REDACTED]
DOB	10/28/20
POB	Norfolk, Va.
Va. Driver's License Number	C15759-46264-006864

COTTON stated that he has been working for CORBETT MONICA at the above address since 4/12/68. Prior to that and during the period of 4/4/68, he was employed by ED BALYN, Deerkill Park, Route 22, Suffern, New York.

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2-Newark
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One copy sent to Memphis 4/27/68

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Special Agent in Charge

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AIRTEL

TO: SAC, MEMPHIS
FROM: SAC, CLEVELAND (44-565) (P)
RE: MURKIN

Re PG tel to CV and CI, 4-10-68, CV airtel to ME, 4-11-68, and PG airtel to CV, 4-23-68.

RE: INVESTIGATION REGARDING SURNAME LOWMEYER

Referenced PG tel, 4-10-68, advised that one P. F. LOWMEYER formerly resided Pittsburgh and currently resides 2344 Ardleigh Dr., Cleveland Heights, Ohio. Investigation at Cleveland reflects PAUL FRANCIS LOWMEYER resided above address and was employed as Vice President, Carling's Brewery Co. It was determined that LOWMEYER left Carling's about one year ago and is currently residing 33 Crows Nest, Bronxville, N.Y., and is employed by Continental Can Co., 100 Park Ave., NYC, telephone 972-7722. Records Drivers' License Division, Ohio Motor Vehicle Bureau, reflect PAUL FRANCIS LOWMEYER described: WM, DOB 7-23-22; 6'4", 215 lbs., brown hair, grey eyes.

In view of variance of physical description, no additional investigation being requested to check LOWMEYER's whereabouts during pertinent period.

- 2 - Memphis
- ① - New York (Info)
- 2 - Pittsburgh (44-578)
- 2 - Cleveland

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861),
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SAC, SEATTLE

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (44-1609)

SUBJECT: MURKIN

ON THIS DATE, NORMAN VERSHAY, SPIRATONE COMPANY,
FLUSHING, NEW YORK, ADVISED ORDER FOR PHOTOGRAPHIC EQUIPMENT
RECEIVED APRIL TEN LAST, FROM J. A. GALT, SIX ONE ONE ONE
NORTHEAST RADFORD DRIVE, SEATTLE, WASHINGTON. MERCHANDISE
SHIPPED TO GALT.

SEATTLE CONDUCT APPROPRIATE INVESTIGATION TO
IDENT OR ELIMINATE J. A. GALT AS SUBJECT.

SUBJECT MAY BE ARMED AND SHOULD BE CONSIDERED
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- 1 - Supervisor #23
- ① - New York

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FROM NEW YORK 44-1609 1P

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FBI BOSTON

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TO DIRECTOR 44-38861, CHICAGO 44-1114, MEMPHIS 44-1987

INDIANAPOLIS, AND NEW YORK

FROM BOSTON 157-644

MURKIN, OO: MEMPHIS.

RE THREATS TO MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

RE CHICAGO TEL THIS DATE CONCERNING DONALD STOUT.

RE PITTSBURGH AIRTEL TO BUREAU SEPT. NINE, NINETEEN SIXTY SIX, CC BOSTON, CHICAGO, INDIANAPOLIS, AND BOSTON AIRTEL TO DIRECTOR, INDIANAPOLIS AND OTHER OFFICES, SETP. TWENTY THREE, NINETEEN SIXTY SIX, ENTITLED "MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., SM - C."

NINETEEN SIXTY SIX MASSACHUSETTS LICENSE P EIGHT THREE FOUR SEVEN THREE LISTED TO NATIONAL CAR RENTALS, BOSTON MASS.

INVESTIGATION NATIONAL CAR RENTALS, BOSTON, NEGATIVE ON SEPT. THIRTEEN, SIXTY SIX CONCERNING RENTAL OF CAR BY DONALD STOUT ALTHOUGH MANAGER OF RENTAL AGENCY HAD FREQUENT CONTACT WITH STOUT AT THAT TIME.

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MANAGER STATED ROBERT GUNDY, NATIONAL CAR RENTALS, JFK AIRPORT, NYC, WAS FAIRLY WELL ACQUAINTED WITH STOUT. GUNDY CONTACTED STOUT THROUGH TELEPHONE NO. INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA, WA. FIVE, EIGHT NINE SIX FIVE. STOUT DESCRIBED AS "BIG TALKER WHO LIKES TO HEAR HIMSELF TALK." HE HAS TRANSPORTED CARS FOR RENTAL AGENCIES AT MUCH LOWER RATE THAN OTHER CAR JOCKEYS. STOUT HAS NO RECORD AT MASS. STATE POLICE ALTHOUGH TROOPER HARDIN, MSP, LOGAN AIRPORT, BOSTON, RECALLS STOUT QUESTIONED CONCERNING THEFT OF PERSONAL BELONGINGS FROM RIDERS HE ABANDONED IN KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI.

RECORDS, BERLIN, NEW HAMPSHIRE, PD REFLECT DONALD L. STOUT, EIGHT TWO SIX SOUTH WABASH, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, DOB APRIL THIRTY, NINETEEN EIGHTEEN, NO LOCATION GIVEN, ARRESTED BERLIN PD, APRIL TEN, NINETEEN FIFTY EIGHT FOR OPERATING UNREGISTERED VEHICLE. STOUT DESCRIBED AS WHITE MALE, FIVE FEET EIGHT, MEDIUM BUILD, BLUE EYES. FINGERPRINTS SUBMITTED FBI IDENT. DIV. AND MATCHES FBI NO. FOUR NINE FIVE NINE THREE EIGHT

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WHETHER STOUT COULD BE CO-CONSPIRATOR THIS CASE.

INDIANAPOLIS DETERMINE SUBSCRIBER TO TELEPHONE NO.

WA. FIVE, EIGHT NINE SIX FIVE, IN SEPT., NINETEEN SIXTY SIX.

NEW YORK CONTACT ROBERT GUNDY, NATIONAL CAR RENTALS,
JFK AIRPORT, FOR INFO RE PRESENT LOCATION STOUT.

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5:12 PM URGENT 4-26-68 HLH

TO: NEW YORK (44-1609)

FROM: CHARLOTTE (44-1365) (P)

MURKIN

RE ~~CHARLOTTE~~ TELETYPE APRIL TWENTY-FIVE LAST AND INSTANT
DATE.

RE: DAVID MC GEE, CHARLOTTE, N. C.

TODAY, HAROLD DAVID MC GEE, CHARLOTTE, ADVISED HE HAS
BEEN EMPLOYED BY STYLECRAFT PACKING SERVICE, CHARLOTTE, SINCE
DECEMBER ONE LAST. HE IS MARRIED AND HAS TWO CHILDREN. MC GEE
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HE AND OTHER INDIVIDUALS OFTEN MENTIONED THAT MARTIN
LUTHER KING WOULD PROBABLY BE ASSASSINATED IN VIEW OF HIS
RACIAL ACTIVITIES AND HE MAY HAVE STATED THAT KING WOULD BE
ASSASSINATED IN CHARLOTTE AS WELL AS MEMPHIS OR ANY OTHER
PLACES HE MAY HAVE VISITED. HE DENIED ANY INFORMATION CONCERNING
THE ASSASSINATION OR SUBJECT RAY. HE DENIED PARTICIPATION IN
ANY RACIAL ACTIVITY.
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BARBARA SUE FORDES IS PRESENTLY IN BANNER ELK, N. C., AND COULD NOT BE LOCATED FOR INTERVIEW. IN VIEW OF ABOVE, FORBES NOT BEING INTERVIEWED.

MEMPHIS ADVISED BY MAIL.

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TO: NEW YORK (44-1609)

FROM: CHARLOTTE (44-1365) (P)

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716PM URGENT 4/26/68 LCC

TO ALL SACS RELAY MESSAGE PLAN
FROM DIRECTOR 44-38861 1P

MURKIN.

THE MAIN FILE ON KING HAS BEEN REVIEWED AT THE BUREAU
AND LEADS ARE BEING SENT OUT CONCERNING PERSONS INVOLVED IN
PRIOR THREATS AGAINST KING. THESE LEADS AS WELL AS LEADS
CONCERNING ANY OTHER SUSPECTS DEVELOPED FROM ANY SOURCE
MUST BE GIVEN IMMEDIATE AND THOROUGH HANDLING ON A TOP PRIORITY
BASIS. PROCESS HAS BEEN OBTAINED AGAINST JAMES EARL RAY AND
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TO ALL SACS RELAY MESSAGE PLAN
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MURKIN.

THE MAIN FILE ON KING HAS BEEN REVIEWED AT THE BUREAU
AND LEADS ARE BEING SENT OUT CONCERNING PERSONS INVOLVED IN
PRIOR THREATS AGAINST KING. THESE LEADS AS WELL AS LEADS
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CO PHASE.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861) AND
SAC, MINNEAPOLIS

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (44-1609)

MURKIN

RETHREATS TO MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. *Serial 400*

BY TELETYPE DATED APRIL, INSTANT, THE BOSTON
OFFICE ADVISED AS FOLLOWS:

RE CHICAGO TEL THIS DATE CONCERNING DONALD STOUT.

RE PITTSBURGH AIRTEL TO BUREAU SEPT. NINE, NINETEEN
SIXTY SIX, CC BOSTON, CHICAGO, INDIANAPOLIS, AND BOSTON
AIRTEL TO DIRECTOR, INDIANAPOLIS AND OTHER OFFICES, ^{PT}SEPT.
TWENTY THREE, NINETEEN SIXTY SIX, ENTITLED "MARTIN LUTHER KING,
JR., SM DASH C."

NINETEEN SIXTY SIX MASSACHUSETTS LICENSE P EIGHT
THREE FOUR SEVEN THREE LISTED TO NATIONAL CAR RENTALS,
BOSTON, MASS.

- 1 - Boston (157-644) (AM)
 - 1 - Chicago (44-1114) (AM)
 - 1 - Indianapolis (AM)
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Special Agent in Charge

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NEGATIVE ON SEPT. THIRTEEN, SIXTY SIX CONCERNING RENTAL OF
CAR BY DONALD STOUT ALTHOUGH MANAGER OF RENTAL AGENCY HAD
FREQUENT CONTACT WITH STOUT AT THAT TIME.

MANAGER STATED ROBERT GUNDY, NATIONAL CAR RENTALS,
JFK AIRPORT, NYC, WAS FAIRLY WELL ACQUAINTED WITH STOUT.
GUNDY CONTACTED STOUT THROUGH TELEPHONE NO. INDIANAPOLIS,
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TO DIRECTOR 44-38861 AND MINNEAPOLIS
FROM NEW YORK 44-1609

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Complaint Form
FD-71 (Rev. 7-21-67)

NOTE: Hand print names legibly; handwriting satisfactory for remainder.

Indices: ☐ Negative ☐ See below

Subject's name and aliases

James Ray

Character of case

C.R.

Complainant

LYNN Scharlach

Complaint received

☐ Personal ☐ Telephonic Date 4/27/68 Time 10:45 A

Address of subject

Complainant's address and telephone number

C.A. 6-2000

Subject's Description	Race	Sex <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female	Height	Hair	Build	Birth date and Birthplace
	Age		Weight	Eyes	Complexion	
	Scars, marks or other data					

Facts of complaint

Complainant, a switchboard operator at Manhattan General, NYC PD advised that a male who identified himself as subject & subject telephonically informed her that "It is no use, you won't catch me". He spoke with a deep southern drawl & claimed he was calling from a pay station at Ch. 3-1278. 44-1608-405
CH 3-1278 - Telephone company

4/27 - Contact R. Klein, dormant 4/27/68
R.V. Gerhart who was not home
does not in any way identify subject; it is
Action Recommended
No contacts who are... subject.
4/27.

advises this is phone
R.V. Gerhart 1968
440 W. 24th St
Apt. Pent C.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI AND MEMPHIS

FROM: CHARLOTTE (157-5800)

ASSASSINATION OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., RM.

RE NEW YORK TELETYPE TO BUREAU AND MEMPHIS AND CHARLOTTE
APRIL FIVE LAST, CONCERNING FORMER MINUTEMAN ROBERT E.
BAGWELL AS POSSIBLE SUSPECT THIS CASE.

INQUIRY AT BRENTWOOD REHABILITATION CENTER, FIVE ZERO
ZERO BEAVERDAM RD., ASHEVILLE, N.C., REVEALED BAGWELL
WORKED APRIL FOUR AND FIVE LAST.

BAGWELL INTERVIEWED RE POSSIBLE SUSPECTS AND STATED HAD
NO PERTINENT INFORMATION AND DID NOT BELIEVE MINUTEMEN
WOULD BE INVOLVED. HE IS OF OPINION WOULD BE MEMBERS OF
KKK OR COMMUNISTS RATHER THAN THE MINUTEMEN WOULD BE
RESPONSIBLE.

AIR MAIL COPY BEING SENT NEW YORK.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date April 9, 1968

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HAM volunteered to be photographed by PAP. He consented to accompany the SAS to the FBI office in New York City where he also consented to be photographed and fingerprinted. HAM voluntarily stated that he had marital problems and he had been drinking heavily during the week of April 1, 1968. He stated he left his wife in Missouri on approximately March 18, 1968, and went to Dallas, Texas, to seek employment. He returned to Missouri on April 1, 1968, where he was served divorce papers. On April 1, 1968, HAM boarded a plane for Des Moines, Iowa, where he stayed at the Savery Hotel on April 1-2, 1968. HAM admitted he was drinking heavily at this point. On the evening of April 2, 1968, according to HAM, he boarded a flight from Des Moines to return to Dallas, Texas. He stated that because of heavy drinking, he had no recollection of stop-overs enroute to Dallas, but he might have stopped in Nashville, Tennessee, because he recalled seeing a "Jack Daniels" sign at the Nashville airport. He further recalled that he arrived in Dallas on April 3, 1968, where he took a flight to Los Angeles, California. HAM produced a receipt from the Hotel Hacienda, Los Angeles, which disclosed he departed this hotel at 4:00 PM on April 3, 1968. While in Los Angeles, according to HAM, he made application for employment with American Airlines and visited a doctor for a physical examination. The name and address of the doctor could not be recalled by HAM. He stated he returned to Dallas on April 3, 1968.

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On 4/6-7/68 at New York, New York
 by SAS JAMES F. REILLY; JOHN W. MINOGUE,
DANNY O. COULSON; E.J. HARRISON, III.

File # 44-1609-407
 Date dictated 4/9/68

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Weight: 170 pounds
Build: Slim
Hair: Light Brown, receding at temples, sparse on top, brushed back in center.
Eyes: Blue
Complexion: Fair
Nose: Pointed, medium size, straight.
Scars and Marks: Mole on right side of cheek next to mouth,
Mole on right side of neck, four inch scar
inside of left forearm, mark on lower left
lip.
Marital Status: Married
Relatives: LULUBELLE HAM, nee CHESTER, wife, 15411 East 41st
Street, Independence, Missouri. Former address,
6639 Woodland, Kansas City, Missouri.
Son, age 19 years; Daughter, age 11 years.
Step-father-HUGH PAT MURRAY, 2501 Van Brundt
Boulevard, Kansas City, Missouri.
Social Security Number: [REDACTED]
Occupation: Salesman - Educational Counsellor
Former Employer: Airline Training Center, 3940 Broadway,
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Social Security Number: [REDACTED]

Occupation: Salesman - Educational Counsellor

Former Employer: Airline Training Center, 3940 Broadway,
Kansas City, Missouri.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (44-1609)
(ATTN: SA JOHN F. SHANLEY #23)

FROM : SA THOMAS X. DONAHUE #21

SUBJECT: MURKIN
CIVIL RIGHTS

DATE: 4/10/68

RE BUTEL TO NEW YORK 4/9/68.

RE: DOMINIQUE LATTINELLI, a bombing suspect of the New York office, NY file 176-286.

Contact was made with the family of LATTINELLI and they advised that LATTINELLI is currently in Italy having left this country on 4/6/68. Previous to his departure LATTINELLI had been in New York and had done no other traveling.

LATTINELLI's family advised that on 4/4/68 he was home packing clothing and making last minute preparations for his trip to Italy.

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The following is a description of LATTINELLI:

NAME:	DOMINIQUE LATTINELLI
RACE:	WHITE
SEX:	MALE
AGE:	18
HEIGHT:	5'11"
WEIGHT:	165
ADDRESS:	115 MADISON ST. NEW YORK, N.Y.
EMPLOYMENT:	UNEMPLOYED

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 4/10/68

JOHN J. O'TOOLE, Assistant Vice-President, Director of Security, Diners Club, 10 Columbus Circle, advised that a review of Diners Club records for present and past memberships does not indicate any credit card in the name of HARVEY LOWMEYER.

O'TOOLE advised that Diners Club records reflect the following Diners Club account under the name, JOHN WILLARD.

JOHN F. WILLARD, Willard General Tire Service, Inc., 239 West King Street, York, Pennsylvania, account number 24466306-8. O'TOOLE advised that this is an active account and was initially opened in 1953. He stated that Diners Club records contained no further information concerning this account.

JOHN W. WILLARD, wife, MARY R. WILLARD, 135 Hampton Road, Syracuse, New York, telephone number GR 9-9745. O'TOOLE informed this is an active Diners Club account number 1728-5613-0 which was opened, October 30, 1967. Diners Club records reflect that WILLARD is President of the J. W. Willard Associates, Inc. Employment Agency, 220 South Warren Street, Syracuse, New York, telephone number 422-5111. WILLARD is reported to have been President of this company for 11 years and to have resided at 135 Hampton Road for the past 16 years. WILLARD maintains banking facilities at Merchants National Bank and Trust Company, Syracuse, New York, and has Social Security Number [REDACTED]

JOHN D. WILLARD, Jr., Diners Club account number 5121-1425-7, is reported in Diners Club records as residing at 4407 Beach Street, Lancaster, California, as of 1965. He was reported to be single and to have subscribed to telephone number either LI or NI 8-5438. O'TOOLE informed their records contained no current address for WILLARD and that the Club account was closed at WILLARD's request, May 19, 1967.

On 4/8/68 & 4/12/68 at 10 Columbus Circle
New York, New York File # NY 44-1609-409
by SA GEORGE M. HAND/pr Date dictated 4/10/68, 4/12/68

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Diners Club records reflected that he was a First Lieutenant assigned to Edwards Air Force Base, California, for three years prior to April 30, 1965. He was reported to be 28 years of age in 1965.

His father was identified as JOHN D. WILLARD, Sr., 414 Chickasand Street, Shreveport, Louisiana, and WILLARD, Jr., was recorded as maintaining banking facilities at the Commercial National Bank, Shreveport, Louisiana. His Diners Club application listed a 1965 reference as KEN SMITH, 4407 Beach Street, Lancaster, California, and identified a 1965 charge account at Kelek, San Antonio, Texas.

On April 12, 1968, O'TOOLE advised Diners Club records contain no account in the name ERIC STARVO GALT.

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On 4/10/68, Mr. VINCENT FIORE, 90-67 199th Street, Hollis, New York, was interviewed at NELSON's Auto Parts, 122-80 Montauk Street, Springfield Gardens, New York, by SAS HERBERT W. KILGORE and JOSEPH HENAHAN. FIORE advised that he is employed on a part-time ~~basis~~ basis by RONALD NELSON. FIORE was questioned as to what conversation he had heard concerning the murder of Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING Jr. by a killer hired by the Klu Klux Klan. He stated that he had heard no such conversation and he also denied that he had heard any conversation concerning the fact that H. RAPP BROWN was "next" .

On 4/10/68, Mr. RONALD NELSON, Owner, Nelson's Auto Parts, 122-80 Montauk Street, Springfield Gardens, N.Y. telephone number AR 6-1234, advised telephonically that he had heard no~~xx~~ conversation concerning someone^e being paid \$40,000.00 by the Klu Klux Klan to kill Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Nelson said that he had heard nothing concerning H. RAPP BROWN being "next". NELSON said that there had been a great deal on conversation in his place of business since KING was killed but he believed it was all just "conversation".

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Date 4/11/68

Mr. NORMAN COWLES, Inspector, American Express Company, 770 Broadway, New York, was contacted at his place of employment and furnished the following information:

He advised after a search of his records had been made concerning a person by the name of HARVEY LOWMEYER or any variations of this name, he advised that he could not locate an American Express Credit Card application or any information concerning this individual.

In connection with any persons with the name of JOHN WILLARD, he advised the following names of individuals have filled out an American Express Credit Application which are as follows:

JOHN A. WILLARD, Jr. employed with Montana R. R. Association, which lists his address as Box 1172, Helena, Montana.

JOHN DEE WILLARD, who lists his address as 44072 North Beech, Apartment D, Landcaster, California, telephone number WH 8-5438. His records also reflect that Mr. WILLARD was 28 years of age and was a First Lieutenant in the United States Air Force and was stationed at Edwards Air Force Base, California. The credit application is dated June 7, 1965.

JOHN F. WILLARD whose address is listed as 815 Southern Road, York, Pennsylvania, telephone number 843-7534.

JOHN H. WILLARD, Ivy Hill Harlan, Kentucky.

JOHN K. WILLARD whose address is listed as Lake Grove Road, Petoskey, Michigan, telephone number Diamond 7-3014.

JOHN RODERICK WILLARD, whose address is listed as 1029 Parkview Avenue, New Kensington, Pennsylvania, telephone number ED 5-6792.

On 4/8/68 at New York, NY File # NY44-1609-411
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JOHN WILLIAM WILLARD, Sr., whose address is listed as
5224 Davis Street, Skokie, Illinois, telephone number CR 5-5542.

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TO : SAC, NEW YORK (44-1609)

DATE: 4/11/68

FROM : SA LAWRENCE E. PLAYFORD

SUBJECT: MURKIN
Civil Rights

Re Butel to Atlanta, 4/10/68.

Investigation re suspect ERIC STARVO GALT:

On 4/11/68, a review of INS file re ERNEST STANLEY GALT, Alien Registration Number [REDACTED] located at the Federal Records Center, 641 Washington Street, New York, New York, reflected the following information:

The following background information was reflected on Alien Registration Form (AR-2), which was dated 12/17/40:

Name	ERNEST STANLEY GALT
Sex	Male
Race	White
Date of Birth	6/15/95
Place of Birth	St. Albans, Liverpool, Lanchashire, England.
Height	5'6½"
Weight	180 pounds
Marital status	Married
Children	Two
Occupation	Refrigeration
Business address	404 Hempstead Avenue Rockville Center, Nassau, N.Y.
Home address	Same as above
Date of arrival U.S.	5/13/20 at Philadelphia, Pa.

No further identification of wife or children set forth.

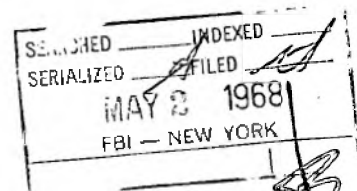
A address report card dated 1/20/51, reflected the same address as shown on AR - 2 above.

There was no further information in the file and no photo of GALT was attached.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (44-1609)

DATE: 4/11/68

FROM : *OSL*
O. EUGENE SMITH #23

SUBJECT: MURKIN

RE: Birmingham Teletype dated 4/10/68

DONALD ZUBROD, Manager, Admanthos Shipping Agency, 19 Rector Street, NYC furnished telephonically the following information to SA O. EUGENE SMITH on 4/11/68:

DONALD WALTER PACCIO, Seaman, shipped out on USS Cosmos Mariner, from ~~Wilmington~~ Wilmington, North Carolina on 1/30/68 enroute to foreign ports. This ship left the Philippine Islands en route to San Francisco and is due in San Francisco on 4/27/68. PACCIO has been assigned to the ship since 1/30/68 and this ship has not been in a US Port since 1/30/68/ *on 4/9/68*

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