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Date 4/11/68

FRED WEBER, Sales Representative, Textile Marking Machine Company, Incorporated, Syracuse, New York, telephone 715-2135, advised he has been so employed for the past 10 years and his territory consists of the New England states, New York, East of Albany and New Jersey.

He stated that one, PAUL COMBS, Falls Church, Virginia, telephone 703-HU 1-9322, who is employed in the same capacity by the same firm had covered the territory from Pennsylvania south through South Carolina until his death about three weeks ago and that his work is being assumed by his brother, JOSEPH COMBS, who has been associated with PAUL prior to his demise.

WEBER advised that one, RICHARD BRISTO, 3462 Northwest 13th Avenue, Gainesville, Georgia, telephone 904-372-1290, is likewise employed and has a territory comprising of Georgia, Florida and probably Alabama, Mississippi.

He stated that about 10 years ago he and PAUL COMBS by mutual agreement and because of their contingent territories had adopted a common five digit code in connection with the identification tape dispensed by the machine he sold by them for the Textile Marking Machine Company.

WEBER stated the code was also discussed with the above named RICHARD BRISTO at that time but that he is not aware if it was adopted for use by BRISTO.

WEBER stated that he and COMBS agreed that the first letter of the identification number would be a lot number, which would be the letter D; the next digit would be a figure which would designate the day of the week; the next digit would be a letter indicating the first letter of the name of the laundry and the last digit would be a figure indicating the number of the bundle.

He stated that 11 different colored tapes are available for use which are usually used in connection with a lot number, however, some laundry uses only one color for its

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by SA CHARLES M. CURRY/pr Date dictated 4/8/68

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complete operation in which case color would become a limited factor in attempting to effect an identification of a particular customer.

A colored photo of two pieces of underwear bearing the five digit identification number D2B-6 on red tape was displayed to WEBER. He stated that the dash before the figure six is counted as a digit making the total of five digits. He stated that this indicates that the machine which was used is more than one year old for a six digit identification system, was adopted about one year ago for stamping machines sold since that time.

WEBER stated that from the appearance of the identification number in question it is his opinion, that the garments have not been laundered or cleaned since the said numbers were attached to the garment. These numbers are not permanent as a new number is attached to each garment on each occasion that it is cleaned.

WEBER stated that he believes that due to the nature of the garment that they were cleaned in a laundry rather than a drive-in establishment.

He stated that there ^{are} some wholesale laundries which perform the actual cleaning operation for several smaller and independent laundries and attached the appropriate identification number for the respective laundry to each garment in which case the letter which indicates the first letter of the name of the laundry, with which the customer is doing business would be of no significance.

WEBER stated that he could attach no significance for identification purposes to the defect of a partial digit on the tape as shown in the photo color as this could be corrected when discovered by a simple mechanical adjustment on the machine.

WEBER pointed out that a record as to whom the machines were sold would not be conclusive as they are frequently resold by the original purchasers without the knowledge of the manufacturer.

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WEBER suggested that a current list of the identities of laundry supply distributors to which identification tape for use in his machines is being sold by Textile Marking Machines Company at Syracuse, New York, would be of value in determining the names of laundries that are using the machines in question at the present time thereby expediting instant investigation.

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JOSEPH AUSTIN LOUW, 45 Tiemann Place, New York, New York, telephone number 663-1283, advised he is employed by Public Broadcast Laboratory of National Educational Television, 342 Madison Avenue, New York City, as an Assistant Producer.

He further advised that he went to Memphis, Tennessee on April 1, 1968, and registered at the Lorraine Motel. He occupied Room 309. The purpose of this trip was to set the ground work for a documentary which his company was to film concerning the poor peoples campaign. This documentary was receiving the full cooperation of Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING. Dr. KING was to be the main subject in this documentary. He was the only individual from his company at Memphis at this time because it was not known if a march scheduled for April 8, 1968, being led by Dr. KING was to be held. If the march was to go on as scheduled, then a filming crew from his company was to come down that prior weekend and film excerpts of the march as well as other areas of Memphis.

He advised that on April 4, 1968, at approximately 5:00 pm, he went to a restaurant located at Butler and Mulberry Streets and had his dinner. This restaurant is located close to the Lorraine Motel. At about 5:30 pm, he left the restaurant and walked back to the motel and went directly to his room 309. At this time, Dr. KING was located in Room 306. The atmosphere around the motel at this time was quiet and he did not notice any police cars in the area or any spectators. On entering his room, he turned on the television set to the Huntley-Brinkley News Report. Excerpts from Dr. KING's speech from the prior night were just being completed on this show. At this time, he placed a telephone call to New York City to a JULIE KINNARD, 510 West 110th Street, New York City, telephone number 866-9906. He spoke with her and listened to the news at the same time. He hung up the phone just as the Huntley-Brinkley News Report was ending. He went over to the television set and turned down the volume. At this

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moment, he heard a loud noise outside of the motel room. He went to the door of his room, opened it, and turned to the right, in the direction of Dr. KING's room and noticed Dr. KING falling to the ground, and his head about to reach the pavement. He saw Dr. ABERNATHY turn to Dr. KING and ABERNATHY raised his ^{own} hands and had an amazed look on his face. He ran to where Dr. KING was lying and when he saw the blood, his first impulse was to try to stop it with his hand. He saw the wound and knew that because of its size, he would be unable to stop the blood. At this time, Dr. ABERNATHY had a towel and placed it over the wound of Dr. KING.

He further advised that he noticed JESSIE JACKSON, a member of the staff of Dr. KING, running down the corridor in a crouched position. Only then did he realize that the individual who shot Dr. KING might be still at the location and he then crouched down so that he would not also be a target. While in a crouched position he went back to his motel room and got his cameras, which were loaded with film. He came out of his room and began taking pictures of the scene where Dr. KING had been shot. He believes he took between 90 and 100 still photographs. After the ambulance had taken the body of Dr. KING away, he went down to the ground level of the motel and noticed the police running in different directions. He followed some of the policemen because he thought that he might be able to get exclusive pictures of the police arresting the individual who shot Dr. KING. It was while he was following the police that he heard over one of the police radios that the police were chasing a white Mustang. This was the only time he heard any mention of a white Mustang and he had never seen one in the area prior to the shooting of Dr. KING.

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He stated that after he had taken four rolls of pictures he took the undeveloped film over to a photographer friend of his, ERNEST WITHERS, whose studio is located on Beale Street, Memphis, and asked him if he might be able to develop the pictures that he took in order to see the results. WITHERS was on the phone at the time he entered the shop and was speaking either to the Memphis Police Department or the Federal Bureau of Investigation, telling them about a RAYMOND ALEXANDER (phonetic), and that ALEXANDER should be checked out as a possible suspect in the killing of Dr. KING because ALEXANDER was a segregationist and a schizophrenic. He developed the film and saw his results and called his company in New York, who told him to immediately return to New York with the pictures that he had taken. These pictures were sold to Life Magazine and several of them appear in the April 12 issue of the magazine.

He further advised he called WITHERS two days after the assassination and told him that he wished to pay him for the use of his facilities in developing the film. He asked WITHERS at this time if he had heard anything concerning the results of the investigation concerning ALEXANDER and he was told that ALEXANDER had an alibi at the time of the assassination.

He stated that he had spoken to Dr. KING after Dr. KING had arrived at Memphis concerning the filming of the documentary and Dr. KING never made mention of any threats that were made on his life while in Memphis. The only threat that he, LOUW, heard, was that made by the police commissioner of Memphis when he stated that if the march, which was led by Dr. KING on April 8 went off as scheduled, someone might be injured because the Ku Klux Klan was scheduled to hold a rally simultaneously with the march.

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He stated that on the morning of the assassination, HONEA WILLIAMS, a member of the staff of Dr. KING told some young Negro militants who were occupying the Room 315, that they would have to move out because the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) would no longer pay their motel bills for occupying that room.


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LORNEL EDMUND ANDERSON, 1112 Mc Millan Avenue, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, Canada, was contacted at the Port Authority Police Office, 40th Street and 8th Avenue, and was immediately made aware of the identity of the interviewing agent. ANDERSON stated that he did not have any objection to coming to the New York Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, 201 East 69th Street, New York City.

ANDERSON was taken to the New York Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation and at this time stated that he was a student at the University of Montana located at Missoula, Montana. He left school approximately two months ago and went to California to visit some friends. The first date that he could recall is March 24 and 25 when he stayed in Venice, California. He left there on March 25 and went to Los Angeles, California. He left Los Angeles on March 28 and went to San Francisco. He stayed in San Francisco for several days and went to Lake Tahoe, Nevada, staying there a few days and then went to Reno, Nevada. He had hitchhiked his entire trip. On April 3, while in Reno, he was picked up by the Police Department and charged with disorderly conduct. He was subsequently fingerprinted and taken before a Magistrate and spent the night in jail. He was released at approximately 7:00 am on the morning of April 4. He went immediately to Lake Tahoe, Nevada, hitchhiking all the way. He remained there until April 7 and started hitchhiking across country taking the southern route, going through the towns of Barstow, California, Albuquerque, New Mexico, Amarillo, Texas, St. Louis, Missouri and the state of West Virginia, and subsequently arriving in New York City on the morning of April 16. On the evening of April 16, he went to the Port Authority Building, New York City, to clean up and also to sleep in the waiting room located in the building.

He stated that he is in no way connected with the assassination of Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING and was in the

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state of Nevada on the day that KING was assassinated.

The following description of ANDERSON was obtained through observation and interrogation:

Race	White
Sex	Male
Date of Birth	[REDACTED]
Place of Birth	Macklin, Saskatchewan, Canada
Height	5 feet 11 inches
Weight	150
Occupation	Student
Selective Service Number	24-32-40-269
Classification	5A
Selective Service Board	Local Board 32 120 West Front Street Missoula, Montana
Parents	EDNA and LAWRENCE ANDERSON Alberta, Canada

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (44-1609)

FROM : SA HENRY P. LATINI (#43)

SUBJECT: MURKIN
CIVIL RIGHTS

DATE: 4/10/68

REMEMO SA JOHN F. SHANLEY 4/9/68.

IN RESPONSE TO INSTRUCTIONS IN REMEMO THERE ARE NO INFORMANTS HANDLED BY AGENTS ON #43 WHO HAVE ANY KNOWLEDGE CONCERNING THE ASSASSINATION OF MARTIN LUTHER KING.

SOURCES ON #43 HAVE BEEN CONTACTED REPEATEDLY SINCE APRIL 4, 1968 IN THIS MATTER BUT HAVE NOT BEEN ABLE TO DEVELOPE LEADS THEREIN.

ATTACHED IS A LIST OF SOURCES CONTACTED ON A CONTINUING BASIS FROM 4/4/68 TO DATE IN THIS MATTER:

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (44-1609)

DATE: 4/18/68

FROM : SA FREDERICK F. DALY

SUBJECT: MURKIN

SUSPECT, OSCAR STUBBS

The following investigation was conducted by SA FREDERICK F. DALY at Staten Island, N.Y:

On 4/17/68, Mrs. RUBY HELDER, 67 Marianne St., advised that on 4/16/68, she rented a room to an individual who furnished his name as OSCAR STUBBS, and his telephone number as GI-8-0876. STUBBS reportedly said he was employed by the Michaels Shoe Store, Plaza Shopping Center, Staten Island, and is scheduled to move into his room today. She noted that after STUBBS left, a tenant, Mrs. PEROSI, pointed out the similarity between STUBBS and the sketch appearing in the newspapers of the assassin who killed Dr. KING. She described STUBBS as in his middle forties, 5'10" or 5'11", slender build, with light brown hair, greying and a receding hairline, with a Southern accent. The official artist's sketch of ^{FS} ~~xxxxxxx~~ subject, prepared by the Bureau, ^{WERE} ~~was~~ exhibited to Mrs. HELDER and she said that he positively was not identical with these sketches.

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On 4/17/68, Mrs. SUSANN PEROSI, 67 Marianne St., Staten Island, New York, advised she observed OSCAR STUBBS when he made arrangements with Mrs. HELDER ^{FOR} the rental of a room at this address, and noticed his similarity to the newspaper sketch of the suspect in the KING case. She described him as male, white, about 50 years of age, slender, about 5'11", with light hair and receding hairline and Southern accent. The Bureau's sketches of the suspect were exhibited to Mrs. PEROSI and she said he was definitely not identical with the individual depicted in these sketches.

On 4/17/68, Mr. MICHAEL ADINOLFI, Manager, Michaels Shoe Store, 1563 Forest Avenue, advised that OSCAR STUBBS has been employed by him as a salesman for the past six months. Sketches of the suspect were exhibited to him and he said that STUBBS is not identical. He also pointed out STUBBS and it was noted that he is at least 50 years of age, 5'11", slender build, about 160 pounds, with light sandy hair, and a pronounced receding hairline. STUBBS bore no resemblance to the artist's conceptions of the suspect in instant case.

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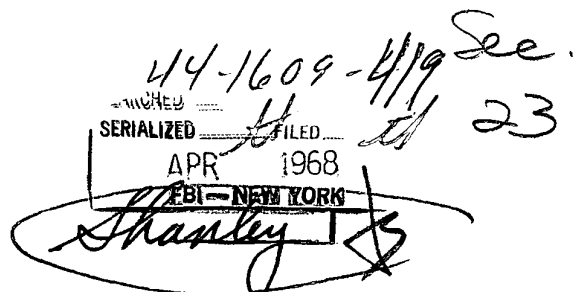
FROM : SA ARTHUR J. VIVIANI

SUBJECT: MURKIN
Civil Rights

DATE: 4/24/68

At 10:15 P.M. of 4/24/68, NORMAN VERSHAY advised that he is employed at Spiratone, 135-06 Northern Blvd., Flushing (telephone IN 3-7832) which compnay deals in the mail order photographic supply business. He stated that he had read an article in ~~the~~ Life magazine which indicated that JAMES ~~KA~~ EARL RAY, aka JAME STARVO GALT, had ordered several hundred dollars worth of photographic from Chicago. VERSHAY stated that either last week or the beginning of this week ~~KKK~~ he had shipped an order to an individual whose last name was GALT. He stated that he believed that this individual was residing in Milwaukee. He advised ~~KX~~ that he could possibly track down the order in order to determine the correct address. VERSHAY stated that he is residing at the YMCA at 356 West 34th Street, NYC

*4-25-68. Searching his records. May take a few days before it is located. Will immediately upon obtaining any info concerning the matter.
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FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (44-1609)

MURKIN~~AMERICAN CIVIL RIGHTS, CO. MEMPHIS.~~

RE WILSHIRE BOOK COMPANY, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA.

RE LOS ANGELES TELETYPE TO BUREAU, APRIL TWO SEVEN,

LAST.

MAILING LIST OF WILSHIRE BOOK COMPANY FOR ONE NINE SIX SIX, ONE NINE SIX SEVEN, AND ONE NINE SIX EIGHT CONSISTING OF APPROXIMATELY THIRTY THOUSAND NAMES FURNISHED ON APRIL TWO FOUR, LAST, BY BERNARD LANDE, PRESIDENT, RESEARCH PROJECTS COMPANY, ONE SEVEN ZERO SIX ROCKAWAY AVENUE, LYNBROOK, NY TO SAS JOHN F. CURRAN, NORMAN A. MURRAY, AND ROBERT G. OFTEDAL.

①-New York
 1-John F. Malone

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1-Supervisor #23

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DATE REFLECTS YEAR, LIST COMPLETED:

MR. R. E. RAY, THREE FIVE FOUR SEVEN SOUTH FEDERAL
STREET, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS (ONE NINE SIX EIGHT).

DONALD J. RAY, NINE NINE FOUR SOUTH ROYS AVENUE,
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RONNIE RAY, FOUR ZERO SIX WEST FRANKLIN STREET, ELECTRA,
TEXAS (ONE NINE SIX EIGHT).

ANGIE RAY, NINE FOUR TWO AND ONE-HALF SOUTH CLALA,
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, MOVED IN ONE NINE SIX SEVEN OR
ONE NINE SIX EIGHT, ^{N/A} ~~NEW~~ FORWARDING ADDRESS INDICATED.

B. J. RAY, THREE TWO SEVEN FIRST AVENUE EAST, PACIFIC,
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MARVIN L. RAY, EIGHT ONE ONE BOYER AVENUE, WALA
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FLOYD RAY, BOX SEVEN ZERO EIGHT SEVEN FLINT, MICHIGAN
(ONE NINE SIX SEVEN).

ROBERT G. RAY, ONE FIVE TWO SIX EAST SIXTY SIXTH PLACE,
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS (ONE NINE SIX SEVEN).

DELMA RAY, NINE TWO THREE WEST GRAND, HAYSVILLE, KANSAS
(ONE NINE SIX SEVEN).

DEBBIE RAY, SIX SIX THREE THREE DERBY AVENUE, APARTMENT
FOUR, RESEDA, CALIFORNIA (ONE NINE SIX SEVEN).

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TO: SAC, CHARLOTTE
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MURKIN

RE: DAVID MC GEE, CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA

BY COMMUNICATION DATED APRIL TWENTY ONE LAST, [REDACTED]
(PROTECT IDENTITY),

[REDACTED] ADVISED
THE NYO THAT "IT IS POSSIBLE THAT DAVID MC GEE OF FOUR ZERO
FOUR BERKSHIRE ROAD, CHARLOTTE, NC, MIGHT HAVE INFORMATION
REGARDING DR. KING'S ASSASSINATION. THIS IS BASED ON
SECOND-HAND INFORMATION AND MAYBE WAY OFF BASE".

NY ATTEMPTING TO LOCATE AND INTERVIEW [REDACTED] [REDACTED] FOR
FURTHER DETAILS.

CHARLOTTE, AT CHARLOTTE, NC, LOCATE AND INTERVIEW DAVID
MC GEE REGARDING ABOVE INFORMATION.

MEMPHIS ADVISED BY AIR MAIL.

SUBJECT, RAY, SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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RE DAVID MC GEE, CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA.

BY COMMUNICATION DATED APRIL TWENTY ONE LAST, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] PROTECT IDENTITY, [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ADVISED THE NYO THAT "IT IS POSSIBLE THAT [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED]
OF [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] MIGHT HAVE
INFORMATION REGARDING DR. KING'S ASSASSINATION. THIS IS BASED
ON SECOND-HAND INFORMATION AND MAYBE OFF BASE".

NY ATTEMPTING TO LOCATE AND INTERVIEW [REDACTED] [REDACTED] FOR
FUTHER DETAILS.

CHARLOTTE, AT CHARLOTTE, NC, LOCATE AND INTERVIEW [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] [REDACTED] REGARDING ABOVE INFORMATION.

MEMPHIS ADVISED BY AIR MAIL.

SUBJECT, RAY, SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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TO: SAC, CHARLOTTE, ~~MEMPHIS~~

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (44-1609)

SUBJECT: MURKIN

RE ~~REFERENCE~~ DAVID MC GEE, CHARLOTTE,
 NORTH CAROLINA. ~~REFERENCE~~ NEW YORK TELTYPE TO CHARLOTTE,
 APRIL TWENTY-FIVE, NINETEEN SIXTY-EIGHT.

Serial 390 → THIS DATE [REDACTED] (PROTECT IDENTITY)

[REDACTED] ADVISED [REDACTED] WAS IN CHARLOTTE APRIL FIFTEENTH LAST
 RESIDING WITH [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED]
 [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] RELATED
 CONVERSATION OF [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] SAME ADDRESS
 WHO SAID DOCTOR KING WAS GOING TO GET KILLED IN CHARLOTTE
 OR MEMPHIS. [REDACTED] SAID [REDACTED] SEEMED TO KNOW KING WOULD
 BE KILLED. [REDACTED] HAD NO IDEA WHEN [REDACTED] MADE HIS
 STATEMENTS TO FORBES AS IT WAS RELATED TO HER AFTER THE
 MURDER. [REDACTED] ASKED [REDACTED] NOT TO SAY ANYTHING ABOUT
 IT OR "[REDACTED] WOULD KILL ME".

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SUE FORBES.

MEMPHIS ADVISED BY AM.

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RE DAVID MC GEE, CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA.

RE NEW YORK TEL TO CHARLOTTE, APRIL TWENTYFIVE,
SIXTYEIGHT.

THIS DATE [REDACTED] (PROTECT IDENTITY) [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] ADVISED SHE WAS IN
CHARLOTTE APRIL FIFTEENTH LAST RESIDING WITH [REDACTED]
BARBAR SUE FORBES, [REDACTED]
FORBES RELATED CONVERSATION OF [REDACTED]
SAME ADDRESS WHO SAID DOCTOR KING WAS GOING TO GET KILLED IN
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CHARLOTTE INTERVIEW DAVID MC GEE AND BARBARA SUE FORBES.

MEMPHIS ADVISED BY AM.

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FBI Belittles Ray-Galt 'Contradictions'

WASHINGTON (AP) — FBI in the manhunt, the FBI has 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 the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

The discrepancies have fueled speculation that perhaps Ray and Galt actually are two persons, or that 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, though not for attribution, 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 murder charges 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

Atlanta residents said cigar 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 the 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."

Estimates of the fugitive's height have ranged from 5-feet-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.

An FBI official brushed off the varying descriptions, saying "you run into this every time—it's human nature."

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TO : SAC (44-1609)

FROM : SA JOHN R. KENNEDY (#28)

SUBJECT: MURKIN
CIVIL RIGHTS
(OO:ME)

DATE: 4/29/68

ReNHTel to NY, 4/18/68, advising that one ROBERT EVANS, a mechanic reportedly employed by Pan American Airways at JFK Airport, bore a very strong resemblance to the alleged murderer in the instant case.

On 4/19/68 with the assistance of JOHN O'SHEA, Security Officer, Pan American Airways, JFK Airport, a review of pertinent files in the Personnel Section of Pan American Airways was conducted and the following established:

ROBERT EVANS, white, male, date of birth 7/21/14, 5'10", 159 lbs., is employed as the Station Manager at Bermuda. The photograph in the file bears no resemblance to the alleged murderer.

ROBERT EVANS, white, male, date of birth 5/13/16, at Evansville, Indiana, 6', 178 lbs., wife WILMA, is employed by Pan American Airways as a Flight Captain based at Kennedy Airport. The photograph in the file reflects that he bears no resemblance to the alleged murderer.

ROBERT G. EVANS, white, male, 5'5", 160 lbs., date of birth 4/11/26, wife LORRAINE, is employed as a Supervisor at Boston, Massachusetts. He resides at 35 Clifton Avenue, Everett, Massachusetts, as of 1964. He served in the United States Navy, Serial #5793536. There is no photograph of this individual in the personnel file.

The only mechanic presently employed by Pan American Airways who has the name of EVANS was established to be EDWARD JOSEPH EVANS, white, male, date of birth 4/27/30, 5'8", 135 lbs., wife JANICE, who has resided at 6414 Mohawk Street, Deer Park, NY, for three years and resided at 68-20

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65th Place, Brooklyn, NY, prior to 1965. He has a tattoo of a heart with the word "Mother" on his left forearm.

The file of former employees reflects that one RICHARD EVANS was employed as a mechanic from 6/7/63 to 9/30/66 at which time he resigned. He has Social Security [REDACTED] No additional information was available from this file as all records regarding this individual are in dead storage in New Jersey.

On the basis of information available all of the persons with the name ROBERT EVANS were eliminated as possibly identical and because of the different first name on the two mechanics mentioned above and the fact that EDWARD EVANS has resided at a given address in the New York City area continually for a period in excess of two years, further investigation with regard to the above is not deemed to be warranted at the present time.

New York airtel of 4/19/68, has advised the Bureau and office of origin of the results of this investigation.

(Mount Clipping in Space Below)

Wrong Fingerprints Were Sent In Ray Case by Missouri Prison

ATLANTA, April 26 (AP) — The Georgia Bureau of Investigation discovered yesterday that it had been given an erroneous set of fingerprints identified as belonging to James Earl Ray, wanted in connection with the slaying of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

Maj. Barney Ragsdale, director of the Georgia bureau, said a routine comparison of fingerprints received from the Federal Bureau of Investigation with a set sent by the Missouri State Penitentiary after Ray's escape in April, 1967, revealed the discrepancy.

Although both the F.B.I. and the Missouri warden, Harold R. Swenson, said the prison wanted poster was an error and a correction should have been received shortly after the original was distributed, Major Ragsdale said that his office had never received the correction. "Atlanta Detective Super-C, the F.B.I. identification order 'are Ray's prints'."

that his office never got the correction and neither did the state police in Georgia and Alabama.

The warden said the mistake had no effect on the search for Ray.

Mr. Swenson told The Atlanta Constitution that it was the only instance of the wrong fingerprints being put on an official warrant bulletin that he could recall.

Mrs. Oneita Peters, a stenographer with the Georgia bureau, discovered the error yesterday when she received a new wanted poster and noted that the fingerprints were different. Major Ragsdale said the difference in the two sets of fingerprints would have been obvious to any "fingerprint man."

Special Agent Frank V. Hitt of the Atlanta office of the F.B.I. said meanwhile the prints of the Atlanta office of the F.B.I. identification order "are Ray's prints."

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TO : SAC, NY (44-1609)

DATE: 4/29/68

FROM : SUPERVISOR FRANCIS P. COFFEY, #12

SUBJECT: JAMES EARL RAY
I.O. NO. 4182
"TEN MOST WANTED FUGITIVES" PUBLICITY

On 4/22/68 publicity material concerning captioned was forwarded to the following:

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CHARLES J. RUSSHON
"TODAY" SHOW
WRCA & WRCA-TV
WCBS-RADIO
WNEW-RADIO
WHN-RADIO
NYC HOUSING AUTHORITY
NATIONAL POLICE GAZETTE
WABC-RADIO (THAYER)
NATIONAL ENQUIRER
PORT CHESTER PD
PUTNAM COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPT.
NY STATE POLICE (BREWSTER,
FISHKILL, PEEKSKILL)
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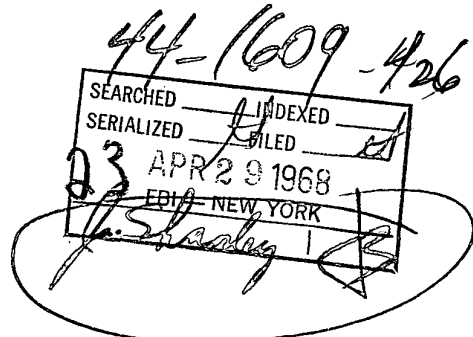
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Memorandum

TO : SAC, NY (44-1609)

FROM : SA T P LYNCH

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 4/29/68

Re WILL JARVIS, Bronxville NY
interview.

PE 8-0715 is listed to JOSEPH
FREYRE, 4784 Boston Pkwy, Pelham and doesn't
know a JARVIS.

Investigation determined that WILBUR
L JARVIS, 3rd, 15 Bacon Court, phone 793-2673,
formerly was with Time-Life.

JARVIS interviewed and furnished

following. He was sent by Time-Life in October,
1961 from LA, Calif to Illinois to interview
ROBERT DE RUGH concerning "Minuteman" organization.
He met a photographer of Life, CARL IWASAKI, and
the two of them spent 2 days in

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Collinsville, Illinois area. DE PUGH wanted full coverage but imposed restrictions of no names of members be used, other than this, DE PUGH, and whatever name DE PUGH agreed on.

JARVIS could not identify photo of unknown man and stated he no longer has his notes of his investigation.

He pointed out that he only spent 2 days in his interview of DE PUGH, observation of buildings & grounds where men were trained.

Name of GALT, RAY etc. not familiar to him in connection with his article.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, New York

DATE: April 29, 1968

JEM : 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: 300.

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.

This letter was sent to all offices per Bureau 5/1/68



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201 East 69th Street
New York, New York 10021
April 29, 1968


Deputy Inspector William Connellie
Office of the Chief of Detectives
240 Centre Street
New York, New York

Dear Inspector Connellie:

There is enclosed herewith 100 copies of
Wanted Flyer Number 442-A concerning James Earl Ray.
These Wanted Flyers are in Spanish, and it is requested
that they be distributed to the appropriate precinct
houses of the New York City Police Department.

Your cooperation in this matter is indeed
appreciated.

Very truly yours,


JOHN F. MALONE
Assistant Director in Charge

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
201 East 69th Street
New York, N.Y. 10021

Dear Sirs:

I was wondering if you'd be good enough to send me a wanted poster of Eric Starvo Galt. My heart pounds for the day he will be caught and I'd like to have a poster to know what he looks like and know his physical features in case of a slight chance I might notice him. Thankyou very much.

P.S. - I would greatly appreciate if you'd send it to me without too much delay. Thankyou again.

Very Truly Yours,

Terry Weiner
291 Blackheath Road
Lido Beach, N.Y. 11561

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201 East 69th Street
New York, New York 10021
April 29, 1968

Miss T. Weiner
291 Blackheath Road
Lido Beach, New York 11561

Dear Miss Weiner:

In reply to your recent letter requesting a "Wanted Poster" of Eric Starvo Galt, I am enclosing a Wanter Flyer for James Earl Ray, as you will note, Eric Starvo Galt is one of the aliases used by Ray.

If you learn any information concerning this individual, you should immediately notify the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Very truly yours,

JOHN F. MALONE
Assistant Director in Charge

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FROM DIRECTOR 44-38861 1P

MURKIN

THE MAIN FILE ON KING REFLECTS THE FOLLOWING THREAT:
YOUR TELETYPE, FEBRUARY TWENTY-SECOND SIXTY FIVE,
REPORTING THE SHOOTING DEATH OF MALCOLM "X" (SEE YOUR FILE
ONE ZERO FIVE-EIGHT NINE NINE NINE) REPORTED INFORMATION
RECEIVED FROM JACK SHANAHAN, CITY DESK, ASSOCIATED PRESS,
NEW YORK CITY, THAT KNOWN OAAU MEMBERS IN NEW YORK ALLEGEDLY
HAD PLANS TO GO TO CHICAGO TO KILL ELIJAH MUHAMMAD AND ALSO
HAD PLANS TO KILL KING.

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

AIRMAIL COPIES TO MEMPHIS.

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TO NEW YORK PHILADELPHIA PLAINTEXT

FROM DIRECTOR 1 P

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BUREAU IS CONTEMPLATING CIRCULARIZING LAUNDRIES,
CAR RENTAL AGENCIES AND ROOMING HOUSES CONCERNING SUBJECT
RAY.

NEW YORK SHOULD CONTACT THE AVIS AND HERTZ CAR
RENTAL AGENCY HEADQUARTERS AND DETERMINE IF IT IS POSSIBLE
FOR THEM TO INCLUDE A FILLER IN THEIR PUBLICATION TO BE
DISTRIBUTED TO THEIR AGENCIES.

PHILADELPHIA WILL CONTACT THE W. S. PONTON COMPANY
UPPER DARBY, PA., AND DETERMINE THE COST INVOLVED TO
CIRCULARIZE ALL LAUNDRIES AND ROOMING HOUSES THROUGHOUT
THE UNITED STATES.

AIR MAIL COPY TO MEMPHIS. ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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AIR MAIL COPY TO MEMPHIS. ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (44-1609)

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RE ████████ WILSHIRE BOOK COMPANY.

RE ████████ LOS ANGELES TELETYPE TO BUREAU DATED,
APRIL TWO SIX, LAST.

PRESIDENT OF RESEARCH PROJECTS COMPANY ADVISED
CORRECT ADDRESS FOR ANGIE RAY IS NINE FOUR TWO AND A HALF
CLELA, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, AND CORRECT ADDRESS FOR
DEBBIE RAY IS SIX SIX THREE THREE DARBY AVENUE, RESEDA,
CALIFORNIA.

SUBJECT RAY SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND
DANGEROUS.

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TO LOS ANGELES

FROM NEW YORK 1P

MURKIN

RE WILSHIRE BOOK COMPANY.

RE LOS ANGELES TELETYPE TO BUREAU DATES, APRIL TWO SIX, LAST.

PRESIDENT OF RESEARCH PROJECTS COMPANY ADVISED ADDRESS FOR ANGIE RAY IS NINE FOUR TWO AND A HALF CLELA, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, AND CORRECT ADDRESS FOR DEBBIE RAY IS SIX SIX THREE THREE DARBY AVENUE, RESEDA, CALIFORNIA.

SUBJECT RAY SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

MEMPHIS ADVISED BY AIR MAIL.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
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SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re NY airtel to Bureau, 4/25/68.

The following investigation was conducted to identify DONALD J. RAY, 994 South Roys Avenue, Columbus, Ohio:

Current city and telephone directories list DONALD J. RAY at 994 South Roys Avenue, wife SUSANNA, telephone 274-8883, employed as firefighter, City of Columbus. Directories reviewed 4/26/68.

Mrs. RUTH CLAPROOD, Clerk, Driver's License Index, OBMV, Columbus, Ohio, advised records show DONALD J. RAY, 994 South Roys Avenue, was born 1/28/27, Columbus, Ohio, is 5'8" tall, weight 158 pounds, has brown hair and brown eyes. His SSN is [REDACTED] and he is employed as a firefighter, City of Columbus.

Mrs. CARLA JACQUES, Credit Bureau of Columbus, Inc., on 4/26/68 advised from records DONALD JEAN RAY, wife SUSANNA, 994 South Roys Avenue, Columbus, Ohio, employed as a firefighter, City of Columbus, was employed by Pure Oil Company for 10 years. Since 1956 he has been employed as a firefighter. Nothing

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Re NY airtel to Bureau, 4/25/68.

The following investigation was conducted to identify DONALD J. RAY, 994 South Roys Avenue, Columbus, Ohio:

Current city and telephone directories list DONALD J. RAY at 994 South Roys Avenue, wife SUSANNA, telephone 274-8883, employed as firefighter, City of Columbus. Directories reviewed 4/26/68.

Mrs. RUTH CLAPROOD, Clerk, Driver's License Index, OBMV, Columbus, Ohio, advised records show DONALD J. RAY, 994 South Roys Avenue, was born 1/28/27, Columbus, Ohio, is 5'8" tall, weight 158 pounds, has brown hair and brown eyes. His SSN is [REDACTED] and he is employed as a firefighter, City of Columbus.

Mrs. CARLA JACQUES, Credit Bureau of Columbus, Inc., on 4/26/68 advised from records DONALD JEAN RAY, wife SUSANNA, 994 South Roys Avenue, Columbus, Ohio, employed as a firefighter, City of Columbus, was employed by Pure Oil Company for 10 years. Since 1956 he has been employed as a firefighter. Nothing

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