# 4/27/68

#### TELETYPE

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861), MEMPHIS (44-1987), ATLANTA

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

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RE OKLAHOMA CITY AIRTEL TO BUREAU, APRIL TWENTY FOUR LAST.

BUREAU AGENTS ATTEMPTED TO INTERVIEW DONALD EUGENE SPARKS,

FBI NUMBER SEVEN ONE SIX EIGHTEEN A, FORMER TOP TEN SUBJECT,

AT DE KALB COUNTY JAIL, FORT PAYNE, ALABAMA THIS DATE. SPARKS

REFUSED TO BE INTERVIEWED OR TO DISCUSS ANYTHING WITH AGENTS AND

WAS EXTREMELY UNCOOPERATIVE.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO

SAC OKLAHOMA CITY (44-686) (P)

4/29/68 DATE:

FROM:

SA MICHAEL J. MC CRYSTLE

SUBJECT:

MURKIN

Re Denver teletype to Oklahoma City 4/24/68.

The following investigation was conducted telephonically by SA MICHAEL J. MC CRYSTLE:

At Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

On 4/24/68 Mrs. MARGARET KNISELY, Personalized Tag Section, Oklahoma Tax Commission, Oklahoma City, advised a review of her records revealed no license such as 7H9370.

On 4/24/68 Mrs. ALICE BURFORD, Clerk, License Tag Office, advised that, other than a personal tag, Oklahoma would have no license plates with the prefix 7H. Mrs. BURFORD advised all Oklahoma licenses begin with two letters and advised those ending in H were XH, CH, WH, and ZH.

Mrs. BURFORD provided the following registration data regarding XH, CH and ZH license numbers:

XH 9370 registered to a 1946 Dodge 4-Door, sedan, VIN 30901536, to a FRED SINGLTON, 3321 Eton Avenue, Oklahoma City.

CH 9370 registered to a 1965 Ford, 2-door hardtop, VIN 6G66Y154650, registered to Mr. GREGORY KIRKWOOD, 906 South 37, Lawton, Oklahoma.

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ZH 9370 registered to a 1965 Ford, 2-door, VIN 6R09C113163, registered to RALPH D. ANDERSON, Route 2, Box 13, Sapulpa, Oklahoma.

Mrs. BURFORD advised she had no records available on Oklahoma license WH 9370 and this license had been assigned to the Tag Agent in Bartlesville, Oklahoma.

Mrs. HELENA M. GASKILL, Tage Agent, Bartlesville, Oklahoma, advised WH 9370 had been sent to the Dewey, Oklahoma Tag Agency.

Mrs. MARILYN EDDINGTON, Tag Agent, Dewey, Oklahoma, advised Oklahoma license WH 9370 has not been issued as yet and is in her possession at the Dewey Office.

A review of the current National Automobile Theft Bureau reference book reveals that the VIN indicated for the automobile assigned Oklahoma license CH 9370 is a Ford Galaxie, two-door hardtop.

The VIN of the automobile assigned Oklahoma license ZH 9370 reflects it is a Ford Mustang.

Information relative to automobile bearing license ZH 9370 and its registered owner was given to SA JOHN R. DWITT on 4/26/68 by writer.

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OKLAHOMA CITY DIVISION

At Sapulpa, Oklahoma

Will conduct appropriate investigation at Route 2, Box 13, and determine if RALPH D. ANDERSON is identical to JAMES EARL RAY. Will determine if ANDERSON actually driving or in Denver on 4/23/68.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO

SAC, OKLAHOMA CITY (137-2692)

DATE:

4/29/68

FROM

SA DAVID J. LANG

SUBJECT:

HAROLD BAILEY ATLEE

PCI

PCI contacted this date regarding the possibility of his knowing the whereabouts of ROBERT DALE PORTER, or his having any information pertinent to the location of PORTER. PORTER was wanted for questioning concerning the present whereabouts of JAMES EARL RAY.

PCI advised that PORTER was currently in the Blood Plasma Donor Center, 505 West Main. Oklahoma City, where he was giving plasma. Based on this information PORTER was subsequently interviewed by Buagents.

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FROM: SAC. OKLAHOMA CITY (44-686) (P)

MURKIN

RE OMAHA TELETYPE TO DIRECTOR 4/24/68.

ROBERT DALE FORTER, FBI NUMBER 459 048 2, LOCATED AND INTERVIEWED BY BUAGENTS THIS DATE. PORTER ADVISED SINCE LEFT RESIDENCE OF MOTHER, CLARA PORTER, WAVERLY, IOWA, LATTER BART OF FEBRUARY, HAS TRAVELED THROUGH IOWA, WYOMING, CALIFORNIA, NEVADA, UTAH, COLORADO, MISSOURI, TEXAS, AND OKLAHOMA, MAINLY HITCHHIKING RIDES. PORTER IS LEAVING THIS DATE, HITCHHIKING TO HOME OF MOTHER, WAVERLY, IOWA. PORTER STATES HAS NOT SEEN RAY SINCE RAY'S ESCAPE, AND HAS NO KNOWLEDGE OF RAY'S WHEREABOUTS. PORTER STATES NEAL AEBY WAS CLOSEST FRIEND OF RAY IN MISSOURI STATE PENITENTIARY. HE STATED JOHN STOUT, EX-GUARD, MSP, USED TO OBTAIN AMPHETAMINES FOR RAY TO SELL TO OTHER INMATES, AND WAS CLOSE FRIEND OF RAY. RETEL REFLECTS PORTER STAYED WITCHT.

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APRIL TWELVE AT WARSAW, MISSOURI, AND CONTACTED EORMER INMATE MSP, JACK FOX LANPHERE, AT CITY UNION MISSION WARSAW, MISSOURI, APRIL THIRTEEN. LANPHERE ADVISED PORTER MAY HAVE BEEN INVOLVED IN KING MURDER. PORTER'S ACCOUNT IS THAT HE HEARD OF KING MURDER WHILE IN BUS DEPOT, JOPLIN, MISSOURI, EN ROUTE BY BUS FROM MIAMI, OKLAHOMA, TO CARTHAGE, MISSOURI; HOWEVER, ACCOUNT OF TRAVELS BY PORTER INDICATES POSSIBLY STAYING AT ONLY HOTEL IN VAN HORN, TEXAS, at Time of King's Mark der.

PORTER IS DESCRIBED AS WMA, DOB 12/16/28, POB CLARINDA, IOWA, HEIGHT 6-0, WEIGHT 175 POUNDS, BLUE EYES, GREY HAIR CUT IN CREW CUT. WEARS GREEN-TINTED PRESCRIPTION GLASSES.

EL PASO AT VAN HORN, TEXAS, WILL ASCERTAIN DATE(S) PORTER RESIDED AT HOTEL. WILL THEREAFTER SET OUT ADDITIONAL LEADS FROM FOLLOWING OC AIRTEL TO ASCERTAIN WHEREABOUTS OF PORTER APRIL FOUR LAST.

KANSAS CITY AT JEFFERSON CUTY, MISSOURI, WILL ATTEMPT TO LOCATE AND INTERVIEW JOHN STOUT FRR ANY INFORMATION RE SUBJECT RAY.

HOUSTON TELETYPE TO DIRECTOR 4/25/68 REFLECTS INTERVIEW OF NEAL EDGAR AEBY. AIRTEL AND PHOTOGRAPH OF PORTER FOLLOW.

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TO

SAC, Oklahoma City

DATE: April 29, 1968

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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: 350.

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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	Enclosed are copies of photographs taken by a woman companion of the subject while he was in Mexico in the Fall of 1967.				
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1:20 PEDT 4/30/68 URGENT VSC.

TO DIRECTOR, KANSAS CITY, OKLAHOMA CITY AND MEMPHIS

FROM ATLANTA 44-2386 4P

MURKIN.

LEWIE RAYMOND DOWEA, INMATE COEB CO. JAIL, MARIETTA, GA.,
REINTERVIEWED APR. TWENTY NINE. ADVISED JAMES EARL RAY VERY CLOSE
TO (FNU) "PUNCHY" MILLEX, EX-BOXER WHO WORKED IN KITCHEN MISSOURI
STATE PENITENTIARY (MSP). MILLER REPORTEDLY ONE OF LEADERS IN PRISON.
DOWDA CLAIMS BENJAMIN O. GOODIN, SUPERVISOR IN KITCHEN MSP'
PICKED UP NUMBER OF BAD CHECKS WRITTEN BY MILLER AFTER MILLER'S
RELEASE FROM PRISON BUT UNABLE TO RETRIEVE ALL AND MILLER RETURNED TO PRISON. GOODIN FORMERLY IN U. S. NAVY ABOARD SEVERAL
SHIPS WHICH WERE SUNK AND REPORTS WEEKLY TO VA. CLAIMS GOODIN
ON NARCOTICS, POSSIBLY BY PRESCRIPTION.

DOWDA CLAIMS MAIN SUPPLIER OF DRUGS IN PRISON IS PRISONER,

NAME UNRECALLED, BUT BELIEVES PRISONER SERVING LONG SENTENCE FOR

SHOOTING AND KILLING ST. LOUIS POLICE OFFICER. THIS PRISONER

STAYED IN C HALL, BUT HAD RUN OF PRISON AND PASS TO EAT IN

DFFICERS KITCHEN. PRISONER CLOSE TO FORMER WARDEN NASH. AFTER

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NASH(S SUICIDE, PRISONER TRIED TO GET CLOSE TO WARDEN SWINSON, WITHOUT SUCCESS. ONE-HALF FOUND OF AMPHETAMINES FOUND IN TRASH CAN IN THIS PRISONER'S CELL. PRISONER DESCRIBED AS APPROXIMATELY THIRTYIWO YRS OF AGE, W/M, SIX FEET, ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY LBS., BLACK HAIR. THIS PERSON HAD SIX TO EIGHT OTHER PRISONERS PUSHING DRUGS FOR HIM IN PRISON. THIS PRISONER'S SOURCE OF DRUGS NOT KNOWN BUT BELIEVED TO BE A GUARD. FRISONER CLOSE TO RAY AND PRISONERS LEO BARNETT AND NEIL ABBY (PH).

DOWDA CLAIMS NEIL ABBY HAD RUN OF K HALL AND WAS SUPPLIER OF AMPHETAMINES AND BELIEVES SOURCE AMPHETAMINES WAS HAROLD SCHAEFER, GUARD AT KITCHEN GATE, MSP. AFTER TRANSFER TO C HALL, ABBY CONTINUED TO HAVE RUN OF PRISON.

DUWDA CLAIMS TWO GANGS IN PRISON, ONE FROM ST. LOUIS AND OTHER
FROM KANSAS CITY. RAY ASSOCIATED WITH LEADERS OF ST. LOUIS GANG.
INVESTIGATION MARIETTA, GA., REFLECTS LEWIE DOWDA IN APR., 'SIXTYSEVEN,

MADE TRIP TO MISSOURI. DOWDA ADVISED ATTEMPTED TO CONTACT LEO BARNETT TO
AT FLAT RIVER, MO., BUT UNSUCCESSFUL AS BARNETT IN FLORIDA PRISON.

DOWDA CLAIMS ON RETURN TO GA. MET ONE BILLY "DINK" CHUMLEY IN BAR

SOMEWHERE IN ALA. CHUMLEY FROM OKLAHOMA CITY, WAS LEAVING HOME DUE
TO MARITAL DIFFICULTIES. CHUMBLEY AND DOWDA CAME TO MARIETTA, GA.

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AT 44-2386

INVESTIGATION REFLECTS CHUMLEY EMPLOYED ROYAL TIRE SERVICE,
MARIETTA, GA., SOCIAL SECURITY NO.

LISTED DOB AS SEPT. TWENTYTWO, 'TWENTYEIGHT,

DESCRIBED AS W/M; FIVE FEET ELEVEN; TWO HUNDRED - TWO HUNDRED TEN

LBS.; THINNING GRAY-BROWN HAIR, MEDIUM TO ROUGH COMPLEXION, HAVING

NO UPPER TEETH. DOWDA'S FORMER EMPLOYER ADVISED CHUMLEY TOLD HIM

DCWCH PLANNED TO ROE THIS INDIVIDUAL AND WANTED CHUMLEY TO ASSIST.

CHUMLEY LEFT TOWN RATHER THAN ASSIST. ROBBERY DID NOT OCCUR.

WHILE IN MARIETTA, GA., CHUMBLEY INVOLVED IN AUTO ACCIDENT AND HIS 'FIFTYFIVE BUICK, VIN FOUR B FOUR ZERO SEVEN FIVE FOUR THREE ZERO, BEARING SIXTYSEVEN OKLYHOMA LICENSE X W SIX SIX SEVEN TWO, WAS RECKED. CHUMLEY VERY CLOSE TO DOWDA DURING PERIOD CHUMLEY WITH HIM IN MARIETTA, GA.

KANSAS CITY AT MSP, JEFFERSON CITY, MO. DETERMINE IDENTITY
PRISONER REPORTEDLY MAIN SUPPLIER OF AMPHETAMINES IN PRISON AND
'INTERVIEW RE SUBJECT JAMES EARL RAY. DETERMINE IF BENJAMIN O. GOODIN
TAKING DRUGS AND CONSIDER POSSIBILITY GOODWIN MAY HAVE ASSISTED RAY.
DETERMINE WHEREABOUTS (FNU) "PUNCHY" MILLER AND INTERVIEW CONCERNING
RAY. LEADS CONCERNING HAROLD SCHAEFER AND NEIL ABBY PREVIOUSLY SET

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OKLAHOMA CITY AT OKLAHOMA CITY. WILL ATTEMPT TO LOCATE
BILLY "DIN" CHUMLEY THRU 'SIXTYSEVEN OKLAHOMA LICENSE LISTED
ABOVE AND INTERVIEW CONCERNING JAMES EARL RAY. DETERMINE IF
DOWDA TAKING DRUGS DURING TIME CHUMLEY IN CONTACT WITH HIM AND
SOURCE OF DRUGS. DETERMINE IF CHUMLEY HAS ANY INFO CONCERNING
DISTRIBUTOR OF DRUGS, ATLANTA., PARTICULARLY IN VICINITY PEACHTREE
AND FOURTEENTH STS., NE. DETERMINE IF CHUMLEY ACQUAINTED WITH
JAMES GARNER, MGR. OF ROOMING HOUSE LOCATED AT PEACHTREE AND
FOURTEENTH STREETS, NE, ATLANTA, WHERE RAY STAYED WHIL IN ATLANTA.

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TO:

DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM:

SAC, OKLAHOMA CITY (44-686)

MURKIN

Re Omaha tel to Bureau, 4/24/68 and mytel to Bureau, 4/29/68.

Enclosed for each office one copy of photo of ROBERT DALE PORTER, FBI #4590482, taken December, 1964, furnished by girlfriend of PORTER. CARMEN RAMAGE.

The following investigation was conducted in Oklahoma City by SAs DAVID J. LANG and MICHAEL F. HUTTER:

On 4/25/68, CARMEN E. RAMAGE, 1642 N.W. 12th, Apt. 1, advised that she first met ROBERT DALE PORTER five years ago in Kansas City in August. She stated that she had met him at the Belmont Bar, Kansas City, Mo. and they had spent the evening there at the Slip Bar. She advised that she had not seen PORTER since then to April 19, 1968. She stated that while he was serving time in the Missouri State Penitentiary (MSP) at Jefferson City, that numerous pieces of correspondence passed between them.

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RAMAGE stated that PORTER had remained in Oklahoma City from 4/19 and she had last seen him approximately 10 AM, 4/23/68. She stated that he must have left town or else he would have been in contact with her.

RAMAGE stated PORTER had told her that he had been in Cedar Rapids, Iowa and had traveled around the State of Iowa and that he had left his home in Waverly, Iowa taking with him his mother's ring which he had pawned and sent her the pawn ticket. PORTER further told her that he had been released from the MSP on 12/8/67 and that he had known JAMES EARL RAY while in the penitentiary. He stated that while in the Penitentiary that RAY had escaped from the penitentiary in a guard's uniform while he was working in the dry cleaning plant and that RAY had obtained this uniform from a guard who has since been fired. He stated that RAY and this guard were very close friends. She further stated that PORTER told her that RAY had not escaped in a bakery truck as the newspapers had reported. RAMAGE stated that she had sent a check, in February, 1968, in the amount of \$23.00 to PORTER in Waverly so that he could obtain a bus ticket to come to Oklahoma City to see her. She stated that PORTER had called her from the bus depot in Oklahoma City approximately 7:30 PM 4/19/68 and told her that he was drinking with a person who had an amputated hand at the knuckles at Winnie's Bar which is located across the street from the bus depot.

RAMAGE stated that PORTER had possibly applied for employment as machinery operator at an automatic car wash in the 4000 block of North Pennsylvania or through the Key Personnel, 110 N. Robinson or at some Mortgage and Loan Company across the street from the city library. RAMAGE further advised that PORTER had told her that he had lost his luggage in Kansas City and was currently traveling without any luggage.

Continuous and intensive investigation was conducted to locate PORTER at Oklahoma City.

On 4/29/68, PORTER was located through an Oklahoma City PCI at the Blood Plasma Donor Center, 505 West Main, Oklahoma City and was subsequently interviewed furnishing the following information:

ROBERT DALE PORTER, temporarily residing at Hudson Hotel, Oklahoma City, stated that he had been in the Missouri State Penitentiary (MSP), Jefferson City, Mo. from June or July, 1961 through 9/1/62 and again from 3/2/64 until his

release on 12/8/67. PORTER stated that upon his release from MSP, that he had gone to Waverly, Iowa to live at the residence of his mother, CLARA PORTER, 103-1/2 E. Bremer, Waverly.

PORTER stated that he left Waverly in the latter part of February, 1968 and the following is approximately his itinerary.

Waterloo, Iowa - where he remained approximately 2 days.

Des Moines, Iowa - remaining 3 to 4 days.

Cheyenne, Wy. - remaining 3 days.

Pocahontas, Iowa - over night with uncle HANS NIELSON.

Humble, Iowa - over night with uncle HANS PORTER.

Aplington, Iowa - over night where he contacted his brother-in-law's mother and brother, LOUELLA and MELVIN ACKER.

Iowa City, Iowa - remaining approx. one week. While there he pawned a man's black face ring at the Hock-Eye Pawn Shop for \$7 on 3/11/68. PORTER resided he believes at the Berkley Hotel, where the bus station is located and left town on 3/11/68.

Storm Lake, Iowa - remaining approx. 2 days.

Red Oak, Iowa - over night. Porter resided at the hotel across the street from the Police Dept.

PORTER then hitchhiked to Barstow, Calif. leaving approx. 10 AM, one day and arriving in Barstow early the next evening. This ride was with a mechanic from Marshal Town, Iowa. That same date, PORTER hitched a ride to Visalia, Calif. with a girlfriend employed at Nellis AFB, Las Vegas, Nev., arriving Visalia that evening. PORTER stayed at Visalia approximately one week and visited with his daughter, VICTORIA RAY PORTER. He stated VICTORIA is residing with a JOSIE ACOSTA PORTER who is living with a CHUCK (LNU). JOSIE, PORTER's ex-wife, resides at 124 N.W. 1st. Visalia.

PORTER then spent two or three days hitchhiking to Nevada where he stayed over night.

Las Vegas, Nev. - where PORTER stayed at the McDonald Hotel, approximately 3 nights.

Salt Lake City - remaining 2 nights:

Laramie, Wy. - remaining one night.

Denver, Colo. - where PORTER visited with a BETTY LOU LUCAS, 3626 Perry Street.

PORTER hitchhiked from Denver to Colorado Springs, Colo. with a PHILLIP E. MEHL, 432 W. Bijou, where he remained for 2 or 3 days.

Albuquerque, N.M. - PORTER resided at Albuquerque for 2 to 3 days and contacted a ROSE SINKEY, who formerly resided in Waverly, Iowa.

Las Cruses, N.M. - PORTER spent approx. 2 days traveling from Las Cruses to Van Horn, Texas where he resided at the only hotel in town over night.

Fort Worth, Texas - PORTER resided for approximately 2 days at a cheap motel located near the bus depot.

Durant, Okahoma - residing over night.

McAlester, Oklahoma - PORTER resided with a couple that live behind a cab stand for two days.

Canadian, Oklahoma - residing one day, while there PORTER helped an individual paint 55-gallon oil drums for use on his boat dock.

PORTER then went to Miami, Oklahoma where he resided one night at the St. James Hotel.

PORTER traveled by bus from Miami, Okhhoma to Carthage, Missouri stopping for approx. one hour in Joplin, Mo. While in Joplin, PORTER attempted to contact a ROGER ZINN, a former convict but stated he was unable to do so. PORTER stated that he recalls while waiting in the bus depot that he heard of the assasination of MARTIN LUTHER KING.

While in Carthage, PORTER contacted a BETTY ELLIOTT, 901 Fulton St., while attempting to contact a girl he had known in 1947.

PORTER traveled to Warsaw, Mo. staying overnight. While in Warsaw, he contacted a JACK LANPHERE by telephone and stated he wanted to see LANPHERE, that he wanted to borrow money from him. LANPHERE advised that he was unable to get into town because of his parole status.

PORTER traveled to Columbia, Mo. where he was a sleeper at the Police Dept. and the next day contacted an uncle, MARION MURRAY, 102 Thistledown Dr., Columbia.

PORTER then traveled to California, Mo. and attempted to locate a LEWIS BARGEON who had been in the MSP Maximum Security with PORTER. He was unable to contact him but stayed overnight at California, Mo:

PORTER then traveled to Maysville, Mo. where he resided at the Lincoln Hotel overnight and contacted Sheriff O. L. Maddox.

St. Joseph, Mo. - PORTER checked in at a small hotel but met a person, name unrecalled, in a bar and they then went to Kansas City, Mo. by car and stayed at the Gladstone Hotel. PORTER met with a MIKE COX at a bar on 9th St. in downtown, Kansas City, Mo. While with MIKE COX, he and COX drove on a Sunday to St. Louis, Mo. attempting to conact a LAWRENCE MOBLEY, a former convict described as a large Negro male. They were unable to conact MOBLEY. They contacted a Mrs. RICHARD PESEK, a sister-in-law of BETTY REITTER, the mother of a illegitimate son of PORTER by the name fo THOMAS DALE REITTER.

COX and PORTER returned to Kansas City that evening which he believes was a Sunday.

PORTER then traveled from Kansas City to Oklahoma City hitching a ride with two young boys from Peculiar, Mo. PORTER stated he believes that this was on 4/19/68. PORTER resided with a CARMEN RAMAGE, 1642 N.W. 12th, Oklahoma City until approx. 4/23/68 when he left hitching a ride with a Naval Lieutenant to Long Beach, Calif.

PORTER stayed one day in Los Angeles at the bus depot and left Los Angeles on Friday.

PORTER arrived Oklahoma City Saturday night 4/27/68 where he stayed with a LLOYD HISE, 2728 N.W. 39th.

On 4/28/68, PORTER drove HISE and his pickup truck to Ft. Smith, Ark. and hitchhiked back arriving approx. 1 PM.

PORTER stated that while incarcerated in the MSP, that JAMES EARL RAY known to him as JIMMY RAY was involved in selling amphetamines to his fellow inmates. He stated that a JOHN STOUT, an ex-guard in the MSP was his source of these amphetamines. PORTER stated that STOUT and RAY were very good frients.

PORTER stated that RAY was extremely quiet, was a person who did not take much from anyone. He stated that to his knowledge RAY has taken amphetamines but had never taken any hard narcotics.

He further stated that whenever RAY was pushed around that he would retaliate fiercely. PORTER stated that on two previous occasions RAY had attempted to escape from the MSP - once by going over the wall and once when he hid in a ventilator shaft and subsequently broke his elbow. PORTER stated that RAY had never mentioned to him where he was from or where he would go when he got out of prison.

He further stated that RAY had never indicated that he disliked Negroes and to RORTER's knowledge was even associated with several while in the penitentiary. PORTER stated that he was leaving Oklahoma City on 4/29/68 and was hitchhiking to the home of his mother in Waverly where he would obtain work as a construction worker.

# PORTER is described as follows:

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12/16/28, Clarinda, Iowa
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Weight
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Social Security
Scars and marks
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Arrest record:

Sister:

right hand; "Mom" and "Dad" left outer forearm: Air Force wings with "AAF" above on left bicep; 6" scar outer, upper right arm; 4 to 5" tattoo removal scar right outer forearm with letter "P" over scar; ½" vertical scar left upper lip. Wears prescription dark glasses, tinted green. U. S. Navy 1943 to 12-29-43; Army Air Force 12-19-45 to 8-21-46; U. S. Air Force, 7-19-47 to 1948 1948 burglary, Arizona; 1949 Statutory Rape, Iowa; 1952 Escape, Iowa; 1958 Checks, Texas, Terminal Island, California; 1961 Checks, Missouri; 1962 Checks, Iowa; 1964 Armed Robbery, Missouri Mrs. THOMAS DeGROOT, 1608 East Street

"Sufrendo Es Mi Destino" back of

## LEADS:

# EL PASO DIVISION

### At Van Horn, Texas

Will attempt to ascertain date or dates PORTER resided at hotel in Van Horn, Texas. It is noted PORTER states he believes he was in Joplin, Missouri at the time of KING's murder, however, his presence 4-12-68 in Warsaw, Missouri has been verified. It would therefore appear from a review of PORTER's itinerary that he was possibly in Van Horn, Texas at the time of KING's murder. In the event it is ascertained by El Paso that PORTER was not in Van Horn, Texas at time of KING's murder, then El Paso should set out appropriate leads, from the itinerary furnished by PORTER, in order to establish his whereabouts on 4-4-68.

Cedar Falls. Iowa.

### KANSAS CITY DIVISION

# At Jefferson City, Missouri

Will attempt to locate and interview JOHN STOUT for any information re subject RAY.

### ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC	OKIAHOMA CIT	Y (137-2701)	DATE: 4	/30/68		
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AIR MAIL

TO:

SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)

FROM:

SAC, OKLAHOMA CITY (44-686)

MURKIN

00:Memphis

Re Dallas airtel to Memphis, 4/23/68, re info furnished by NATB, Dallas.

On 4/24/68, Mrs. JESSIE HENRY HACKNEY, 421 S.W. 23rd Street, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, viewed current photographs of JAMES EARL RAY and advised SA DONALD P. KYTE that the individual known to her ad JIMMIE RAY who was employed by her husband and listed as suspect in the theft of their 1967 Chevrolet, VIN 138177K198773, is not identical with JAMES BARL RAY.

Mrs. HACKNEY advised that her husband was currently out of town on a business trip and was due to return about 4/29/68.

On 4/30/68, JESSIE HENRY HACKNEY, 421 S.W. 23rd St., Oklahoma City, viewed current photographs of JAMES EARL RAY and advised SA KYTE that the individual employed by him using the names JAMES RAY whom he listed as suspect in the theft of his 1967 Chevrolet was not identical to the photographs of JAMES EARL RAY and these two individuals bore no resemblance to one another.

Mr. and Mrs. HACKNEY, 4/30/68, both advised that they had never seen JAMES EARL RAY and could furnish no information regarding his whereabouts.

2 - Memphis

1 - Dallas (44-2649)

1 - Little Rock (157-1215)

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4:45PM 4-24-68 URGENT SCC

TO DIRECTOR (MAIL) AND ST. LOUIS

FROM JACKSON (157-9586)

MURKIN

RE MOBILE TELEPHONE CALL TO JACKSON.

ROBERT ANDERSON, KREOLE, MISS., TELEPHONICALLY

CONTACTED MOBILE STATING HE HAD INFORMATION RE KING'S

KILLER, BUT WOULD NOT DISCUSS ON TELEPHONE. ANDERSON

WAS LOCATED AT KREOLE, MISS., AND FURNISHED THE FOLLOWING

INFORMATION REQUESTING HIS IDENTITY BE CONCEALED. ONE

BOB BOSSIER (PHONETIC) WHITE MALE, THIRTYFOUR TO THIRTYFIVE,

FIVE FEET ELEVEN INCHES, ONE HUNDRED SIXTYFIVE POUNDS,

BROWN HAIR, BUCK TEETH, WORKS FOR JOHN WESLEY ANDERSON,

FIVE ONE FIVE NORTH SEVENTH STREET, DESOTO, MISSOURI, AS

A ROOFER. ACCORDING TO SOURCE BOSSIER MAY BE AN ESCAPEE

FROM STATE OF MICHIGAN ON ARMED ROBBERY, CHARGE. BOSSIER

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KANSAS, IN ILLINOIS AND IN MISSOURI. HE WAS ALSO IN ATLANTA
ABOUT NINETEEN SIXTYFIVE. ACCORDING TO SOURCE BOSSIER IS
NOT IDENTICAL WITH JAMES EARL RAY, BUT HIS PAST HISTORY
AND PLACES OF CONFINEMENT ARE SIMILAR AND SOURCE BELIEVES
BOSSIER MAY HAVE SOME KNOWLEDGE OF RAY.

ST. LOUIS AT DESOTO, MISSOURI, REVIEW INDICES, IDENTIFY
BOB BOSSIER (PHONETIC) THROUGH PD RECORDS AND OTHER SOURCES.

DETERMINE THROUGH INVESTIGATION IF BOSSIER SERVED TIME WITH
SUBJECT RAY AND COULD FURNISH PERTINENT INFORMATION RE RAY
AND MURKIN. PROTECT ANDERSON AS SOURCE.

AIRMAIL COPIES FURNISHED MOBILE AND MEMPHIS. AND DETROIT.

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FBI ST LOUIS

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		Date: 4/30/68			
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	TO:	DIRECTOR, FBI			
	FROM:	SAC, ST. LOUIS (44-775) P			
	SIIB.TECT:	MURKIN -			
		Re Jackson teletype to Bureau, 4/24/68.			
	of re tel	Enclosed for Kansas City and Oklahoma City are copies etype.			
	ROBERT has related to past. She checks fr	On 4/25/68, Mrs. ROBERT BOSHERS, (phonetic BOSSIER), etype, 401 Wine St., DeSoto, Mo., advised her husband s deserted her and his whereabouts are unknown. She hat BOSHERS is an alcoholic and has done this in the e stated she believes that BOSHERS had stolen some om JACK W. ANDERSON and cashed these checks before he DeSoto, Mo., area.			
	Mrs. BOSHERS stated that she does not believe her husband has any knowledge of JAMES EARL RAY, that if he did she believes he would make some comment in view of the widespread publicity.				
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She stated he has served time in El Reno Federal Penitentiary, and the Missouri State Penitentiary, but she does not know of any sentence in the State of Michigan, and she does not believe he is wanted in that state.

Chief of Police LLOYD DAVIS, DeSoto, Mo., advised that ROBERT BOSHERS had taken two or three checks from the checkbook of JOHN W. ANDERSON, 515 N. Seventh St., who he was employed by, and two checks have been cashed for over \$100.00 each. He advised he has no warrant at this time for BOSHERS. He advised BOSHERS is a big boozer and to his knowledge has not mentioned anything about being associated with JAMES EARL RAY.

For the information of Jackson it appears your source ROBERT ANDERSON, Kreole, Mississippi, is relative of JOHN WESLEY ANDERSON, DeSoto, Mo., and became aware of BOSHER's theft of & Backs and wanted BOSHER located so local warrants could be issued for BOSHER.

For the information of Detroit, ascertain through State Penitentiary system and other sources if ROBERT BOSHERS (given as BOSSIER) in re teletype has record in State of Michigan or wanted on him in Michigan.

Kansas City and Oklahoma City Divisions, will review records for ROBERT BOSHERS at Jefferson City, Mo., and El Reno Penitentiary respectively as requested of Detroit Division.

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Brokers - 26381

FBI NEW YORK
6:50 PM URGENT 4-30-68 AWS
TO BALTIMORE, DALLAS, EL PASO, OKLAHOMA CITY, PHILADELPHIA,
PHOENIX, RICHMOND AND WASHINGTON FIELD
FROM NEW YORK 44-1609

MURKIN, CR; OO: ME.

RE OC TEL TO DIRECTOR, DATED APRIL TWO SIX LAST.

FOR THE INFORMATION OF OFFICES NOT RECEIVING

RE TEL MRS. DONOVAN, WOODSIDE, PROTECT

IDENTITY, THREE ZERO NINE ELMWOOD DRIVE, EDMOND, OKLAHNOA,

WAS REINTERVIEWED AND IO FOUR ONE EIGHT TWO DISPLAYED TO

HER. MRS. DONOVAN SAID INDIVIDUAL SHE SAW ON AMERICAN

AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE THREE EIGHT FROM DALLAS, TEXAS TO

PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA ON APRIL SIX, LAST VERY STRONGLY

RESEMBLED RAY AND SHE BELIEVED HIM TO BE IDENTICAL WITH RAY.

SHE STATED SHE FIRST NOTICED THIS INDIVIDUAL IN LOVE

FILED TERMINAL, AMERICAN AIRLINES WAITING AREA, A FEW MOMENTS

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PRIOR TO BOARDING THIS FLIGHT. MRS. DONOVAN COULD NOT LOCATE HER TICKET STUE, BUT BELIEVED SHE OCCUPIED SEAT ONE FOUR DASH C, AN AISLE SEAT ON LEFT SIDE OF PLANE IN TOURIST SECTION AND THAT THE ABOVE INDIVIDUAL OCCUPIED THE AISLE SEAT ONE ROW UP ON THE RIGHT. MRS. DONOVAN SAID THIS INDIVILUAL DID NOT GET OFF THE PLANE WHEN IT LANDED AT FRIENDSHIP AIRPORT, BALTIMORE, MARYLAND, AND DID NOT CONVERSE WITH ANYONE ON PLANE, AND CARRIED NO LUGGAGE. SHE INFORMED HE DEPLANED AT PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA, AND SHE LOST SIGHT OF HIM WHEN HER HUSBAND MET HER AT AIRPORT.

THE FOLLOWING NAMES AND TELEPHONE NUMBERS WERE
FURNISHED BY REPRESENTATIVE OF AIRLINES OF PERSONS TRAVELLING
TOURIST CLASS ON AMERICAN AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE THREE EIGHT,
WHICH DEPARTED DALLAS, TEXAS, APRIL SIX, LAST, AT NINE ZERO
FIVE AM AND AMDE ONE STOP AT FRIENDSHIP AIRPORT, BALTIMORE,
BEFORE ARRIVING AT PHILADELPHIA ONE THREE ONE SAME DATE:

ALL PHONE NUMBERS LISTED IN BALTIMORE AREA WERE:

FIRST NAME UNKNOWN BODDOR, AREA CODE THREE ZERO

TWO, TELEPHONE NUMBER SIX FIVE SIX DASH NINE NINE ONE ONE.

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FNU BIRON, AREA CODE THREE ZERO ONE,
TELEPHONE NUMBER SEVEN TWO SEVEN DASH SEVEN ONE ZERO FIVE.

FNU HAISCHER, AREA CODE THREE ZERO ONE, TELEPHONE NUMBER EIGHT TWO THREE DASH TWO THREE NINE EIGHT.

FNU HORSEY, AREA CODE THREE ZERO

ONE, TELEPHONE NUMBER SIX NINE TWO DASH SIX ONE EIGHT THREE.
ALL PHONE NUMBERS LISTED IN THE DALLAS AREA WERE:

BEN BLEAM, AREA CODE TWO ONE FOUR, TELEPHONE NUMBER TWO FIVE FOUR DASH ZERO ONE FIVE ONE.

MRS. PAUL S. BAINE, AREA CODE TWO ONE FOUR, TELEPHONE NUMBER AN TWO DASH THREE TWO ONE ONE.

MR. BASS, AREA CODE TWO ONE FOUR, TELEPHONE ; UMBERS
LA EIGHT DASH SIX EIGHT FIVE FIVE, LA SIX DASH EIGHT EIGHT
ZERO EIGHT.

DEAN BRIGHT, AREA CODE FIVE ONE TWO, TELEPHONE NUMBER CL EIGHT DASH TWO FIVE FIVE ONE.

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AGE FOUR

FNU CRIDER, AREA CODE TWO ONE FOUR, TELEPHONE NUMBER CH SEVEN DASH ZERO FOUR THREE TWO.

MR. LAW, AREA CODE NINE ONE FIVE, TELEPHONE NUMBER FIVE SIX EIGHT DASH FOUR NINE SEVEN FIVE.

FNU REID, AREA CODE NINE ONE FIVE, TELEPHONE NUMBER FIVE SIX EIGHT DASH ONE ONE FOUR SIX.

CY DOSSEY, AREA CODE TWO ONE FOUR, TELEPHONE NUMBER DI EIGHT DASH SIX FOUR THREE EIGT.

RICHARD EFFING, AREA CODE TWO ONE FOUR, TELEPHONE NUMBER X WH TWO DASH SIX ONE SEVEN FIVE.

ROGER FAZENBAKER, AREA CODE TWO ONE FOUR, TELELPHONE NUMBER TA SEVEN DASH FOUR ONE ZERO ZERO.

FNU FITZSIMMONS, AREA CODE TWO ONE
FOUR, TELEPHONE NUMBER SEVEN FOUR EIGHT DASH EIGHT FIVE FIVE
ONE.

FNU GAREY, AREA CODE TWO ONE FOUR,
TELEPHONE NUMBER BR EIGHT DASH SEVEN NINE SIX TWO.

MRS. JACK KAMHOLZ, AREA CODE TWO ONE FOUR, TELEPHONE END PAGE FOUR

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NUMBERS, EM ONE DASH TWO FIVE ZERO ZERO, TA SEVEN DASH FIVE FOUR FOUR.

MADALINE JOBST, AREA CODE TWO ONE FOUR, TELEPHONE NUMBER FL TWO DASH THREE ONE SEVEN ONE.

NORMAN LOWERY, AREA CODE TWO ONE FOUR, TELEPHONE NUMBER RI NINE DASH TWO SIX SEVEN EIGHT.

FNU LENLEY, TELEPHONE NUMBER FR SIX DASH FIVE ZERO SIX ZERO.

FNU HOPSON, AREA CODE TWO ONE FOUR, TELEPHONE NUMBER
TA SIX DASH TWO THREE ZERO SIX.

MISS KATHY LYNN SMITH, AREA CODE SEVEN ONE THREE, TELEPHONE NUMBER MU SEVEN DASH TWO FIVE EIGHT FOUR.

MRS. PARR, AREA CODE TWO ONE FOUR, TELEPHONE NUMBER AD FIVE DASH EIGHT TWO ONE ONE.

MISS SALLY MILLER AREA CODE TWO ONE FOUR, TELEPHONE NUMBERS FL TWO DASH TWO ONE ONE FIVE, FL TWO DASH NINE TWO SIX SEVEN.

MRS. THOMAS WILLIAMS, AREA CODE EIGHT ONE SEVEN, TELEPHONE NUMBER ED TWO DASH THREE ONE FIVE ONE. END PAGE FIVE

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MRS. GLORIA WILLIAMS, AREA CODE TWO ONE FOUR,
TELEPHONE NUMBERS WE EIGHT DASH TWO EIGHT FIVE THREE, PL EIGHT
DASH FOUR FOUR FOUR ONE.

FNU TACKETT, AREA CODE TWO ONE FOUR, TELEPHONE NUMBERS'
AD EIGHT DASH THREE FOUR TWO ONE, AD FIVE DASH NINE
ZERO THREE FOUR.

ELMER STOVER, AREA CODE TWO ONE FOUR, TELEPHONE NUMBER WH SIX DASH TWO THREE TWO FOUR.

MRS. FRANK TRAU, AREA CODE TWO ONE FOUR, TELEPHONE NUMBER EIGHT NINE TWO DASH TWO SEVEN THREE FOUR.

FNU STOVE, AREA CODE TWO ONE FOUR,
TELEPHONE NUMBERS FIVE TWO TWO DASH ZERO TWO TWO SEVEN,
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DONALD VERNON, AREA CODE TWO ONE FOUR, TELEPHONE NUMBERSSEVEN FOUR SEVEN DASH ZERO FI'VE TWO ONE, RI ONE DASH FIVE SIX SEVEN ONE.

ED SEMMLER, AREA CODE EIGHT ONE SEVEN, TELEPHONE NUMBER PE SEVEN DASH THREE ONE ZERO SEVEN.

MISS FRANCES MC MEMANY, AREA CODE TWO ONE FOUR,
TELEPHONE NUMBER FOUR SIX FIVE DASH ONE FOUR FIVE ONE.
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ALL PHONE NUMBERS LISTED IN EL PASO AREA WERE:

MRS. MORRISON, AREA CODE NINE ONE FIVE, TELELPHONE

NUMBER SIX SEVEN EIGHT ONE SEVEN THREE EIGHT.

MRS. WEBB, AREA CODE NINE ONE FIVE, TELEPHONE NUMBER FIVE SIX FIVE DASH FIVE FIVE THREE ZERO.

MRS. ROSE TEERESHKO, TELEPHONE NUMBER FIVE NINE ONE DASH TWO FIVE FIVE THREE.

ALL PHONE NUMBERSLISTED IN OC AREA WERE:

FIRST NAME UNKNOWN MOFIEL, AREA CODE FOUR ZERO

FIVE, TELELPHONE NUMBER EL ONE DASH FIVE FOUR SIX FOUR.

2 FNU KELLY, AREA CODE FOUR ZERO FIVE.

TELEPHONE NUMBER EL ONE DASH FIVE FOUR SIX FOUR.

3 TIM TAYLOR, AREA CODE FOUR ZERO FIVE, TELEPHONE

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NUMBER SEVEN THREE IWO DASH SEVEN FOUR NINE IWO.

. 4 MRS. CAROL TINSLE, AREA CODE FOUR ZERO FIVE,

TELEPHONE NUMBER JA FOUR DASH SIX THREE THREE NINE.

ALL PHONE NUMBERS LISTED IN PH AREA WERE:

FNU BODDOR, AREA CODE TWO ONE FIVE,

TELEPHONE NUMBER SEVEN NINE THREE DASH ONE THREE TWO ZERO.

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FNU AIMSWORTH, AREA CODE TWO ONE

FIVE, TELEPHONE VI THREE DASH FIVE SIX FIVE ZERO.

FNU SIKRA, AREA CODE TWO ONE FIVE, TELEPHONE EL SEVEN DASH FIVE ZERO ZERO NINE.

FNU RANDALL, AREA CODE SEVEN ONE SEVEN, TELEPHONE EX THREE DASH ONE THREE EIGHT ONE.

ALL PHONE NUMBERS LISTED IN PHOENIX AREA WERE:

MRS. HAVERSTOOK, AREA CODE SIX ZERO TWO, TELEPHONE

NUMBER FIVE SIX SIX DASH THREE SIX ZERO IWO.

MRS. TERESHKOL, AREA CODE SIX ZERO TWO, TELEPHONE

NUMBER FIVE NINE ONE DASH TWO FIVE FIVE THREE.

ALL PHONE NUMBERS LISTED IN RH AREA WERE:

FNU TURNER, AREA CODE SEVEN ZERO

THREE, TELEPHONE NUMBER FOUR EIGHT ONE DASH TWO NINE FOUR EIGHT.

ALL PHONE UMBERS LISTED IN WFO AREA WERE:

FNU CRIDER, AREA CODE TWO ZERO TWO,

TELEPHONE NUMBER SIX THREE EIGHT DASH FIVE NINE ZERO ZERO.

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ADDITIONAL PASSENGERS TRAVELLING FIRST CLASS ARE .

NOT BEING CONTACTED AND ADDITIONAL PASSENGER NAMES FURNISHED

WHO WERE TRAVELLING TOURIST CLASS ARE NOT BEING LISTED

BECAUSE ARILINES COULD FIND NO IDENTIFIABLE INFORMATION.

LEAD:

ALL OFFICES IMMEDIATELY CONDUCT APPROPRIATE

INVESTIGATION TO LOCATE, IDENTIFY AND INTERVIEW PASSENGERS ON

AMERICAN AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE THREE EIGHT, TRAVELLING TOURIST

CLASS TO DETERMINE IF ANY INDIVIDUAL IDENTICAL WITH JAMES

EARL RAY.

ME ADVISED BY AM.

RAY SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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TELEPHONE CALLS AT HOTEL AND DID NOT INQUIRE AS TO WHERE HE COULD MAKE A TELEPHONE CALL AWAY FROM HOTEL. PORTER WAS ALONE AND HAD NO VISITORS WHILE AT HOTEL. PORTER LEFT HOTEL AT ABOUT TEN A.M. ON FOOT APRIL FOUR, LAST, DIRECTION OF TRAVEL NOT STATED TO HOTEL PERSONNEL AND UNKNOWN.

IN ABSENCE OF PHOTO OF PORTER AND SINCE THE PORTER WHO STAYED AT HOTEL IN VAN HORN FITS DESCRIPTION FURNISHED OF PORTER IN RETEL, NO FURTHER INVESTIGATION BEING CONDUCTED BY EL PASO RE PORTER.

BIRMINGHAM, KANSAS CITY, OKLAHOMA CITY, OMAHA, ST. LOUIS ADVISED AIR MAIL.

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## REPORT of the



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

To: FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

Date: April 30, 1968

FBI File No. 44-38861

Lob. No. D-561749 JK

D-561745 JK

D-561711 JK

Re: MURKIN

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Specimens received 4/26/68, from FBI, Oklahoma City

K202 Piece of white cloth containing nine yellow laundry tapes obtained from Clinton Laundry and Cleaners, Clinton, Oklahoma

K203 Two pieces of white paper, one containing three sample laundry tapes and the other containing ten sample laundry tapes from Stillwater Laundry, Stillwater, Oklahoma

Specimen received 4/26/68, from FBI, Dallas

K204 Three pieces of white cloth containing a total of ten yellow sample laundry tapes obtained from White Star Laundry and Dry Cleaners, Dallas, Texas

Specimens received 4/26/68, from FBI, Phoenix

K205 White handkerchief containing nine sample laundry tapes obtained from Glover Cleaners and Laundry, Tucson, Arizona

K206 Fifteen sample laundry tapes obtained from Varsity Cleaners and Laundry, Tucson, Arizona

Result of examination:

It was concluded that the machine used to print specimen K206 was not used to imprint either of the marks appearing on Q97 or Q99.

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The spacing on specimens represented by K202 through . K205 differs from that on the laundry marks appearing on Q97 and Q99 indicating the questioned tapes may not have been prepared on any of the machines used to prepare K202 through K205. The limited nature of the questioned material involved precluded a definite determination from being reached.

K202 through K206 have been retained.

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

FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

April 30, 1968 Date:

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TO:

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Reurairtel to Albany, 4/19/68.

Following cost data submitted pursuant to instructions in reairtel:

- 1. Man Hours
  - A. Special Agents

Regular hours.....1,035 - 272

Overtime hours..... 200

Total 1,235

B. Clerical Hours

Regular hours..... 64

Overtime hours..... 8

Total 72 35

- 2. Total mileage (estimated) 8,881 1144
- 3. Unusual or out-of-ordinary costs.... None

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DATE: 5/1/68

FROM SA DAVID J. LANG

SUBJECT: MURKIN

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FROM:

SAC, WFO (44-703) (P)

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ReNY teletype dated 4/30/68 and OC teletype to Director dated 4/26/68. RH (Alexandria RA) telephone call to WFO 5/1/68.

FNU TURNER, area code 703, Telephone Number 481-2948, listed as passenger on American Airlines Flight 338 from Dallas, Texas, to Philadelphia, Pa., on 4/6/68. RH determine TURNER identified as DONALD E. TURNER, 5650 Gary Avenue, Alexandria, Va., employed as Economist, Dept. of Agriculture (USDA), WDC.

Investigation by WFO at USDA since 1957 and is noticed with JAMES EARL RAY. TURNER advised he was originally scheduled to fly above flight from Dallas to Friendship Airport, Baltimore, on 4/6/68, but changed plans and returned by earlier Braniff flight.

No further investigation be conducted by WFO.

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AIRMAIL

TO: SAC MEMPHIS (44-1987)

FROM: SAC OKLAHOMA CITY (44-686) (P)

MURKIN CR OO Memphis

Re Oklahoma City tel to Director, 4/26/68 and New York tel to Baltimore, 4/30/68.

Re: Interview of Passengers Aboard American Airlines Flight 338 from Dallas, Texas, To Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, on 4/6/68.

For the information of Norfolk, Mrs. DONOVAN WOODSIDE (PROTECT IDENTITY), 309 Elmwood Drive, Edmond, Oklahoma, has advised the Oklahoma City Office that while making a trip on American Airlines Flight 338, 4/6/68, from Dallas, Texas, to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, she observed an individual on the same flight who resembled Subject RAY. Referenced New York tel furnished names and telephone numbers of various people traveling tourist class on above mentioned flight. These individuals are being contacted and interviewed for the purpose of eliminating them as being identical with Subject RAY and/or to ascertain if they saw an individual resembling RAY on this flight.

The following investigation was conducted by SA JOHN L. SPURGERS, JR., on 5/1/68.

### At Fort Sill, Oklahoma

TED PIERCE, Ticket Agent, Frontier Airlines, Airlines Traffic Office, advised that telephone number 405 EL 1-5464 is

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The above Brigades were contacted pursuant to recommendation by TED PIERCE, above, who indicated he had sold numerous airline tickets to personnel of these units on 4/5/68, and felt that (FNU) "MOFIEL" possibly could be identified through contact with these units.

The following investigation was conducted on 5/1/68, by SA J. A. GRIMES.

### At Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Re: TIM TAYLOR, area code 405, phone number 732-7492.
Mrs. LILLY SODOWSKY, 637 Moraine Street, Midwest City, Oklahoma, advised she is the subscriber to telephone number 732-7492.
She further advised that TIM TAYLOR is her nephew TIMOTHY JOHN TAYLOR, and is a private in the U. S. Army with serial number.

She stated TIM TAYLOR visited her in Oklahoma City,

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along with his parents, on 4/5/68, and left on 4/6/68, from Oklahoma City, proceeding to Dallas and then flying to Fort Eustis, Virginia, where he is presently undergoing training in the U. S. Army.

The following investigation was conducted by SA LEWIS H. JOHNSON, on 5/2/68:

#### At Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Mrs. CAROL TINSLE, 528 N. W. 21st Street, subscriber to telephone number JA 4-6339, an employee of the U. S. Agriculture Department, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, advised she made flight from Dallas, Texas, to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, on 4/6/68, aboard American Airlines Flight 338. She was shown photograph of Subject JAMES EARL RAY and advised she has no recollection of seeing anyone on this flight resembling RAY.

No additional investigation is being set forth to locate ROBERT F. KELLY since he is presently serving in the U. S. Army and is en route overseas. No additional investigation being made to identify (FNU) "MOFIEL" since investigation conducted indicates he was a serviceman assigned to Fort Sill, prior to taking American Airlines Flight 338.

LEADS

NORFOLK DIVISION

#### At Fort Eustis, Virginia

Will interview Private TIMOTHY JOHN TAYLOR to determine if he observed anyone on American Flight 338 who resembled Subject RAY.

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FROM OKLAHOMA CITY (44-686) 3P

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RE ATLANTA TEL TO BUREAU, ET AL, APRIL THIRTY LAST RE BILLY CHUMLEY, AKA DINK.

SIXTY-SEVEN OKLAHOMA LICENSE XW-SIX SIX SEVEN TWO REGISTERED TO A FIFTY FIVE BUICK TWO-DOOR, SN FOUR B FOUR ZERO SEVEN FIVE FOUR THREE ZERO, TO JEWEL V. CHUMLEY, RT. TWO, HOLLIS, OKLAHOMA, MOTHER OF BILLY CHUMLEY.

JEWEL V. CHUMLEY, MOTHER, AND WILLIAM RICHARD CHUMLEY, FATHER, DISCLAIM ANY KNOWLEDGE BILLY CHUMLEY'S WHEREABOUTS. LAST SAW HIM MID-SIXTY SEVEN AND LAST HEARD HE WAS WORKING IN GEORGIA. JEWEL V. CHUMLEY KNOWS NOTHING RE FIFTY FIVE BUICK AND CLAIMS DID NOT KNOW REGISTERED IN HER NAME.

SISTER TO BILLY CHUMLEY, MRS. ROGER (CAROLYN) BAMFORD, NORMAN,
OKLAHOMA, HAS NOT SEEN BILLY CHUMLEY SINCE MID-SIXTY SEVEN. SHE
ATTEMPTED TO LOCATE HIM AT HIS RESIDENCE, CROWN MOTEL, OKLAHOMA CITY,
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