

6/14/68

AIRTEL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

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

MURKIN
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OO ME

Re Kansas City teletype to the Bureau,
6/12/68.

Enclosed for the Bureau are three (3)
copies, for Kansas City one (1) copy, and for
Memphis fifteen (15) copies of an insert reflecting
investigation conducted at McAlester, Oklahoma.

3-Bureau (Enc.3)
1-Kansas City (44-720) (Enc.1)
2-Memphis (44-1987) (Enc.15)
②-Oklahoma City

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AIRMAIL

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TO: SAC MEMPHIS (44-1987)
FROM: SAC OKLAHOMA CITY (44-686) (P)
MURKIN
OO Memphis

Re San Diego airtel to Oklahoma City, 6/4/68.

Re: Telephone Calls of Subject RAY in Texas
During December, 1967

Enclosed herewith for Memphis are 15 copies of
an FD-302 reflecting the interview of TOMMY LEE WEBB, Rt. #1,
Allen, Oklahoma. One copy of this FD-302 is furnished to Dallas
for information.

2 - Memphis (Enc. 15)
1 - Dallas (Enc. 1)
1 - Oklahoma City
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Date 6/14/68

TOMMY LEE WEBB was interviewed at the Biffle Ranch, Route #1, Allen, Oklahoma, where he was visiting his step-father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. NED BIFFLE.

WEBB advised he is a Sergeant in the U. S. Marine Corps, Serial # [REDACTED], assigned to Schools Company, Schools Battalion, TVR, Camp Del Mar, Camp Pendleton, California.

He advised he was on leave from on or about December 15, or December 16, 1967, until about the first of January, 1968, the exact dates unknown. He advised he drove from Camp Pendleton to San Antonio, Texas, with Sergeant RICHARD KRAWITZ, a member of the same organization to which he is assigned. He said he took a bus from San Antonio to Dallas, Texas, arriving in Dallas the third day after leaving Camp Pendleton. He advised he was not sure of the date on which his leave started, which could only be determined by checking his leave record, but did not believe he was in Dallas on December 16, 1967.

WEBB advised that after arriving in Dallas he stayed at his mother's apartment, 7140 Gaston Avenue, in Dallas. He said he occupied the above apartment throughout his leave period but was away from the apartment a great amount of the time.

WEBB advised he did not receive any long distance telephone calls at his mother's apartment during his leave period.

WEBB was unable to identify a photograph of JAMES EARL RAY exhibited to him at the time of his interview.

On 6/11/68 at Allen, Oklahoma File # Oklahoma City 44-686

by SA J. ROBINSON FIELD:ow  Date dictated 6/12/68

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44-686-257

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, OKLAHOMA CITY (44-686)

FROM : SA DAVID J. LANG

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 5/28/68

The following investigation was conducted on 5/27/68, at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, by SA DAVID J. LANG:

The following persons were contacted, were shown current photographs of JAMES EARL RAY, advised they knew nothing of RAY other than what they had read in the newspapers or heard through some other form of news media, were given copies of Identification Order # 4182, and stated that they would notify the F.B.I. immediately should any information concerning JAMES EARL RAY come to their attention:

Mrs. SHARON BYRD, Receptionist, Salvation Army Welfare and Relief Center, 330 S.W. 4th

Brother PAUL TALBERT and GEORGE GRAEF, Father Paul's Prayer Mission, 226 South Broadway

Brother HERMAN JENSON and WOODROW SEALEY, City Rescue Mission, 4th & South Robinson

HERSHEL PARKER and FRED D. BRAY, Grace Rescue Mission, 108 West Reno

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC OKLAHOMA CITY (44-686)

DATE: 6/19/68

FROM : SA HAYES H. BURLESON

SUBJECT: MURKIN
CR
OO: Memphis

Re memo of SA J. A. GRIMES, 5/24/68.

Since JAMES EARL RAY is known to stay at "flop houses" and lower class rooming houses, the following individuals and establishments were furnished Identification Order 4182 of JAMES EARL RAY:

Captain WALTER MC CLURE, Salvation Army,
400 North A Street, McAlester, Oklahoma;

Mrs. FRANCIS CONN, Manager, Main Hotel,
1 1/2 South Main Street, McAlester, Oklahoma;

BILL AUSTON, manager Cozy Rooms Hotel, 205
South Main, McAlester, Oklahoma;

FLOYD READ, manager, Travelers Hotel, 9 1/2
South Main Street, McAlester, Oklahoma;

W. D. NIGH, manager, Union Bus Terminal,
Main and Cherokee Streets, McAlester, Oklahoma.

These contacts were made on 6/5/68.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

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

DATE: 6/20/68

FROM : SA HAYES H. BURLESON

SUBJECT: MURKIN
CR
OO MEMPHIS

Re Memo of SA J. A. GRIMES 5/24/68.

In an effort to determine if any armed robberies or burglaries which are unsolved took place in Pittsburg County and Hughes County, Oklahoma, between 4/23/67 and 4/4/68 with the thought in mind of displaying the photograph of JAMES EARL RAY to witnesses, the following individuals were contacted:

LYNN LE FLORE, Chief of Police, McAlester,
Oklahoma PD;
JAMES KINDRED, Sheriff, Pittsburg County, McAlester;
C. F. DOUGLAS, Hughes County, Eufaula, Oklahoma.

All the above individuals advised there had been no armed robberies or burglaries where large sums of money were taken which had not been solved. These contacts were made on 5/31/68.

2-Oklahoma City

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ROUTING SLIP TO ALL FIELD OFFICES

FROM: *RCW* SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987) (P)

RE: JAMES EARL RAY, aka -
FUGITIVE
CR - CONSPIRACY; UFAC - ROBBERY

OO: MEMPHIS

Re report of SA JOE C. HESTER 6/5/68 at Memphis.

Page 17, paragraph 4, line 6 - 12/17/67, should
be 12/7/67.

Please correct your copies.

SAC ROBERT G. JENSEN

TOR:tjm

correction made
JRS

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, OKLAHOMA CITY (44-686)

DATE: 6/11/68

FROM : SA PAUL R. KEISER

SUBJECT: MURKIN
CR

Re Memo of SA J.A. GRIMES, 5/24/68

The following persons were contacted on 5/29/68 and advised that they could furnish no information regarding the identity of JAMES EARL RAY being involved in any unsolved crimes in their respective areas:

GEORGE MORGAN, COP, Blackwell P.D., Blackwell, Okla.

DON PRICKETT, Det., Stillwater P.D., Stillwater, Okla.

FRANK PHILLIPS, Sheriff, Payne Co., " "

JOHN BEASELY, Sheriff, Noble Co., Perry, Okla. (6/6/68)

GENE WOOD, COP, Perry P.D., Perry, Okla. (6/6/68)

JOE ROWDEN, COP, Cushing, Oklahoma (6/17/68)

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SAC OKLAHOMA CITY (66-1853)

6/10/68

IC TOMMY G. FREEMAN

TOP TEN FUGITIVE PROGRAM

This is to advise that on 6/10/68, an FD-321 was furnished to each of the individuals and outlets listed in the instructions of file 66-1853 concerning JAMES EARL RAY, IO #4182, who was apprehended by British authorities at London, England, on June 8, 1968.

1-66-1853

1-66-2114

1-80-84

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AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

TO: SAC MEMPHIS (44-1987)
FROM: SAC OKLAHOMA CITY (44-686)(P)

MURKIN
COST DATA

Reurairtel to Albany, 4/19/68.

Following cost data submitted pursuant to instructions
in reairtel for month of June, 1968:

1. Man Hours

A. Special Agents

Regular hours..... 46

Overtime hours..... 3

Total..... 49

B. Clerical Hours

Regular hours..... 10

Overtime hours..... 0

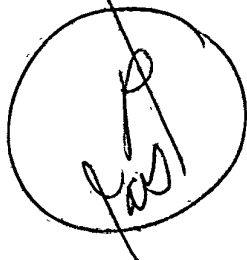
Total..... 10

2. Total mileage (estimated) - 445

3. Unusual or out-of-ordinary costs - None

4. Peak number of Agents working on case during
month - 3

2 - Memphis
① - Oklahoma City
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, OKLAHOMA CITY (44-686)

DATE: 7/3/68

FROM : SA, ROBERT E. HUTCHINGS

SUBJECT: MURKIN
CR
00: Memphis

Re SA J. A. GRIMES memo to SAC dated 5/24/68.

On 6/20/68, Sheriff ROY BOZARTH, Grady County Sheriff's Office, Chickasha, Oklahoma, Chief of Police ROY CARMAN, Chickasha, Oklahoma, Sheriff ELMO PATTERSON, Anadarko, Oklahoma and Chief of Police TROY MASSEY, Anadarko, Oklahoma advised that they have no unsolved robberies in their respective territories having occurred since 4/23/67 with available witnesses.

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Date: 7/16/68

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TO: ALL SACs

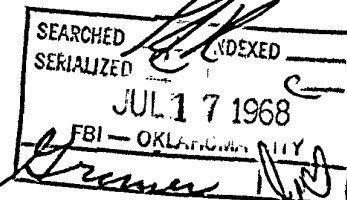
FROM: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987) (P)

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Bureau airtel to Memphis, 7/9/68.

The Bureau has requested that all divisions continue to submit monthly cost data until further notice.

In view of the above, all divisions are requested to comply with the Bureau's instructions, including offices who have negative cost data to report.



2 - ALL OFFICES

2 - Memphis

RFB:jap

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Approved: _____

Handwritten signature of R. G. Jensen in cursive.

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8/1/68

AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

WJ TO: SAC MEMPHIS (44-1987)
FROM: SAC OKLAHOMA CITY (44-686) (P)

MURKIN
COST DATA

Re Memphis airtel 7/16/68.

This office has no cost data to report for the
month of July, 1968.

2 - Memphis (RM)
① Oklahoma City
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(3) *ow*

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

Date 8-2-68

Name and F.P.C.	FBI No.	A.O.	I.O.	W.F.	CC	Cancellation
George William Tyree, Jr. 20 L 1 U OIO 16 S 1 U OOO	4, 714, 268	3337	3780			Federal process dismissed. (8-2-68)
Don Ferris McCall, Jr. 21 M 1 U 15 L 3 Wr	327, 089 B	3338	4092			Located Northridge, Calif., 7-17-68. (8-2-68)
✓ James Earl Ray 16 M 9 U OOO 12 M 4 W IOI	405, 942 G	3339	4182	442 442A		Extradited London, England to Memphis, Tenn., 7-19-68.
John Michael Walton 17 I 30 W OMI I 32 W IOI	356, 640 E	3340	4200			Located Lowndes Co., Alabama, 8-2-68. (8-2-68)
Robert Vance Walton 14 M 13 U OOM 12 Ref: 13 I 25 U OOO 26	361, 075 E	3341	4201			Located Lowndes Co., Alabama, 8-2-68. (8-2-68)
James Joseph Scully 2 M 21 W 19 Ref: 21 I 17 Ra 19	1, 170, 115	3342	4202			Located Arcadia, Calif., 7-23-68. (8-2-68)
Jimmie Johnson 20 L 1 Ut 6 Ref: U M 1 U T	11, 215 F	3343	4203			Located St. Louis, Missouri, 7-15-68. (8-2-68)

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JACKSONVILLE, Florida 32202	414 U. S. Court House & Post Office Building	904 355-1401
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AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

TO: SAC MEMPHIS (44-1987)

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

MURKIN
COST DATA

Re Memphis airtel 7/16/68; and Oklahoma City
airtel 8/1/68.

This office has no cost data to report for
the month of August, 1968.

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① - Oklahoma City
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AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

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TO: SAC MEMPHIS (44-1987)
FROM: SAC OKLAHOMA CITY (44-686) (P)

MURKIN
COST DATA

Re Memphis airtel 7/16/68; and Oklahoma City
airtel 9/3/68.

This office has no cost data to report for
the month of September, 1968.

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D - Oklahoma City
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Hanes May Quit as Ray Counsel

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (AP) — Arthur J. Hanes raised the possibility Friday that he may withdraw as defense attorney for James Earl Ray, the man charged in the slaying of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

"Serious difficulties have arisen between me and my client on the best way to handle this defense," Hanes told Shelby County Criminal Court. "At some future day I may have to withdraw as counsel for James Earl Ray."

Hanes' surprise statement, which he said was agreed to Thursday, came at the end of a day-long hearing on whether Hanes and three other persons should be held in contempt of court for newspaper articles concerning Ray's treatment in jail.

Hanes denied earlier that he had made any statements prejudicial to his client's case in the past and said, "I do not intend to do so in the future."

He will defend Ray when Ray goes to trial Nov. 12 on charges that he killed King here last April 4.

Hanes, Renfro Hays, a private investigator hired by Hanes, and reporters Roy Hamilton of the Memphis Press-Scimitar and Charles Edmundson of the Commercial Appeal were ordered into court. Judge W. Preston Battle, who will preside over Ray's trial, issued an order shortly after Ray was jailed here prohibiting any out-of-court publicity that might stand in the way of a fair trial for the prisoner.

(Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

1 The Daily
Oklahoman
Okla. City, Okla.

Date: Sept. 28, 1968
Edition: Daily
Author:
Editor: Charles L. Bennett
Title: James Earl Ray

Character:

or

Classification:

Submitting Office: Okla. City

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AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

TO: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)
FROM: SAC, OKLAHOMA CITY (44-686) -P-
SUBJECT: MURKIN
COST DATA

Re Memphis airtel 7-16-68, and Oklahoma City airtel
10-1-68.

This office has no cost data to report for the
month of October, 1968.

2 - Memphis
① - Oklahoma City
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AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

TO: SAC MEMPHIS (44-1987)

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

MURKIN
COST DATA

Re Memphis airtel 7/16/68, and Oklahoma City
airtel 11/4/68.

This office has no cost data to report for the
month of November, 1968.

2 - Memphis
① - Oklahoma City
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Date: 12/24/68

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TO: ALL SAC'S

FROM: SAC, Memphis (44-1987) (P)

SUBJECT: ✓ 44-86-188
MURKIN - COST DATA
(OO: MEMPHIS)
BUFILE 44-38861

Re Memphis airtel to Albany dated 4/19/68, and
Memphis airtel to All SAC's, dated 7/16/68.

Discontinue the monthly submission to the Memphis
Division of the cost data requested in referenced airtels,
since the Bureau has agreed this submission can be discon-
tinued.

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2-Memphis
HEG:mas
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RAG

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Approved: *R. Jensen*
Special Agent in Charge

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~~44-686-274~~ *clb*

3/24/69

AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

TO: DIRECTOR FBI (44-38861)

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

MURKIN
OO Memphis

The 3/24/69 issue of "The Daily Oklahoman," a newspaper published in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, contained an article reflecting that ROY W. CLARK, age 45, from Houston, Texas, was arrested by the Oklahoma City Police Department on 3/23/69, and jailed on a drunkenness complaint. According to the article the police are investigating a notebook found on CLARK that included dates and information concerning the slaying of Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING. The article indicated the notations appeared to be in diary form and included the following dates and quotes:

"4-4-68--Martin Luther King shot in the face and neck"
"4-5-68--A visit from Ray,"

On 3/24/69, Lt. WILLIAM MEAD, Robbery and Homicide Division, Oklahoma City Police Department, advised SA J. A. GRIMES that ROY W. CLARK, Negro, male, born 2/12/23 was arrested in Oklahoma City on the afternoon of 3/23/69 and charged with being drunk. He is being held also as a suspect in an armed robbery which occurred in Oklahoma City shortly prior to his arrest. Lt. MEAD advised that arresting officers found a small loose-leaf notebook in CLARK's automobile which contained about three pages of handwritten dates and notations in the general form of a diary. He made available the notebook and it was noted the first two items listed were as follows:

- 3 - Bureau
- 2 - Memphis (44-1987)
- 1 - Houston (Info)
- 1 - Oklahoma City

JAG:ow

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"4-4-68 Martin L. King Shot face neck"

"4-5-68 3rd 5th quiet?? Visit by Van Raye"

Lt. MEAD advised that officers of the Oklahoma City PD interviewed CLARK regarding the notebook and he stated he kept this book to jot down items which he thought were of interest and which he wanted to remember at the time. He stated he wrote down the date of KING's murder since he wanted to remember the date of this event. When questioned about the entry on 4/5/68, he advised that this referred to a contact by FBI Agent VAN RAYE on 4/5/68, who at that time was contacting him periodically regarding racial and criminal matters in Houston. He stated he had originally been contacted by Agent VAN RAYE in regard to a relative who was a deserter from the Marine Corps and thereafter VAN RAYE contacted him periodically for a period of several months. He stated he has not been contacted by VAN RAYE for the last several months.

Lt. MEAD advised that the notebook maintained by CLARK contained no entries other than the above mentioned entries which would indicate CLARK had any interest or connection with the KING murder case.

On 3/24/69, SAC WESLEY T. WHALEY, Houston Division, telephonically advised that the files of that office reflect ROY W. CLARK, Negro male, born 2/12/24, was a PCI of the Houston Office during the period of KING's murder and was assigned to Special Agent OTTO VAN RY. He advised that a review of CLARK's file reflects CLARK was in fact contacted by SA VAN RY on 4/5/68, relative to racial matters.

In view of above circumstances, no further investigation being conducted.