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NORFOLK

Navy Exchange
Naval Air Station
Norfolk, Virginia

SN 32131
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SN 32332

Navy Exchange
Naval Amphibious Base
Little Lake
Norfolk, Virginia

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SN 32292

PHILADELPHIA

Navy Exchange
Naval Station
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

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SN 32931
SN 33708

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Cebula
Port Jervis*

RICHMOND

CMCS Stock Acct.
Building 2011
Marine Corps Schools
Quantico, Virginia

SN 32665

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SAN FRANCISCO

Navy Exchange
Naval Air Station
Moffett Field, California

SN 32900

Freight Terminal
Naval Supply Center
Oakland, California

SN 32236

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Joseph Combs
301-248-6127
open Hill road
5232 Devonshire
Drive

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SAN JUAN

Naval Exchange
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San Juan, Puerto Rico
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Navy Exchange
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Oak Harbor, Washington
SN 32763
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Navy Exchange
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Seattle, Washington
SN 31994

WFO

Navy Exchange
Naval Station
Washington, D. C.
SN 32920
SN 32931

LEADS

ALL OFFICES PLEASE NOTE: Bureau teletype to All Continental Offices, 4/9/68, stated that all laundries should be contacted in an effort to identify the tape on the shorts and tee-shirt believed to have been abandoned by UNSUB. The Textile Marking Machine Co. has advised that the above are the only machines known by that company to be in the above listed states which would be capable of producing the laundry mark on the garments. This company advised that the tapes on the garments are their tapes exclusively and that there is no other marking machines in the world which could have produced the tapes.

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ALL OFFICES should index the names of these locations in their territories for future use in other type cases.

The Bureau has been requested to supply to all of the offices covering the above states copies of color photographs of the tapes attached to the garments recovered. The Bureau has advised that this is being done.

ALL OFFICES

It is suggested in contacts with above establishments the actual operators of Thermo-Seal machines rather than supervisory personnel be contacted. It is further suggested, on the basis of consultation with Textile Marking Machine Co. personnel that the letter "O" in instant tape may have been used rather than a dash for first character. If the code is recognizable by insertion of a dash instead of letter "O", or if the code is recognizable as it appears on instant tape, obtain sample of tape and immediately submit to FBI Laboratory for examination.

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FBI WASH DC

513PM URGENT 4/12/68 GJM

TO ALL CONTINENTAL OFFICES

FROM DIRECTOR 44-38861 1P

MURKIN

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EACH OFFICE IS BEING FURNISHED, UNDER SEPARATE COVER,
PHOTOGRAPHS OF TWO ARTISTS' CONCEPTIONS BASED ON DESCRIPTIONS
OF UNKNOWN SUBJECT BY WITNESSES IN MEMPHIS AND BIRMINGHAM
RESPECTIVELY.

THESE PHOTOGRAPHS ARE FOR ASSISTANCE OF AGENTS
HANDLING THIS INVESTIGATION AND ARE NOT TO BE DISSEMINATED
OUTSIDE THE BUREAU.

NO INDICATION IS TO BE GIVEN THAT INVESTIGATION IS IN
CONNECTION WITH THE CAPTIONED CASE.

UNKNOWN SUBJECT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND
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TO MEMPHIS (44-1987), ~~NEW ORLEANS, JACKSON AND KNOXVILLE~~
FROM RICHMOND (44-657)
MURKIN - CR, OOMEMPHIS

IRA GLENN WISEMAN, ROANOKE, VA., ADVISED APRIL ELEVEN LAST, HIS BROTHER-IN-LAW, JAMES HENRY SHORT, ONE SEVEN TWO TWO TULLAMORE ST., ALEXANDRIA, LA., CLAIMS TO HAVE KNOWLEDGE OF PERSON WHO KILLED KING. SHORT DISAPPEARED FROM HIS HOME TEN DAYS AGO AND WHEREABOUTS NOT KNOWN UNTIL APRIL ELEVEN LAST WHEN HIS WIFE JACQUELINE RECEIVED INFORMATION SHORT PASSED INS CHECKS HOLIDAY INN, RONAOKE, VA.,

WISEMAN LOCATED SHORT AND TOOK HIM TO HIS HOME. SHORT INFORMED WISEMAN HE WAS IN MEMPHIS DAY KING WAS KILLED AND COULD IDENTIFY KILLER BUT NOT BY NAME.

SHORT INTERVIEWED AND FURNISHED FOLLOWING: HE SERVED SEVEN YEARS IN USAF, NO. AF ONE THREE SEVEN ZERO FIVE FIVE ONE SIX, UNDESIRABLE DISCHARGE NOV. THIRTY, SIXTYSEVEN. EMPLOYED BY AFCO SCHOOL EQUIPMENT CO., ALEXANDRIA, LA. WIFE AND TWO CHILDREN RESIDE THERE.

CLAIMS ASSOCIATION WITH A COMMUNIST EUGENE BATTLE, NEGRO MALE, FIVE SEVEN TO FIVE EIGHT, ONE HUNDRED FIFTY TO ONE HUNDRED SIXTY, BLACK KINKY HAIR, SPECIALIST E-FOUR ASSIGNED TO SAME AF UNIT,

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THREE ONE NINE TH AIR COMMANDO SQUAD AT ELGIN AFB, FLORIDA. HOME ADDRESS, LITTLE ROCK, ARK.

SHORT DENIES MEMBERSHIP IN CP OR UKA, KKKKK,

SHORT CONTACTED TELEPHONICALLY MONDAY EVENING, APRIL ONE, LAST BY UNKNOWN MAN, WHO STATED HE WAS WANTED ON A "JOB" AT MEMPHIS, BETWEEN TWO THIRTY AND THREE PM, APRIL FOUR LAST. HE WAS INSTRUCTED TO COME TO ROOM ONE TWO SIX AT THE DOWNTOWNER MOTOR INN, MEMPHIS, TO GO ~~XXX~~ THROUGH JACKSON, MISS., EN ROUTE AND PICK UP A MAN NAMED DICK COLLINS AT THE HOLIDAY INN, JACKSON, ON APRIL THREE LAST.

SHORT PROCEEDED TO JACKSON IN HIS SIXTYSEVEN TWO DOOR BLUE BOTTOM VINYL COMET, ARRIVING AT HOLIDAY INN ABOUT MIDNIGHT APRIL THREE LAST. HE CHECKED IN USING HIS RIGHT NAME. COLLINS, A WHITE MALE, CONTACTED HIM ABOUT ELEVEN THIRTY AM, APRIL FOUR LAST, AND THEY DROVE TO MEMPHIS, ARRIVING ABOUT FIVE THIRTY PM. THEY FOUND THREE WHITE MEN AND ONE NEGRO MAN IN ROOM ~~THREE~~ ONE TWO SIX OF THE DOWNTOWNER MOTEL. NO. ONE, A WHITE MALE, EARLY FIFTIES, SIX FT. ONE, TWO HUNDRED THIRTY LBS., BLACK HAIR, TURNING GRAY, APPEARED TO BE LEADER. HE WAS IMPATIENT WITH SHORT FOR BEING LATE AND

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POINTED OUT A YOUNG NEATLY DRESSED WHITE MAN HOLDING WHAT APPEARED TO BE A GUN CASE AND STATED HE DROVE FROM NEW ORLEANS AND WAS THERE ON TIME.

NO. ONE STATED THEY WOULD HAVE TO HURRY BECAUSE KING WAS STAYING IN A MOTEL ABOUT ELEVEN BLOCKS AWAY. HE NEVER MENTIONED KILLING KING BUT INSTRUCTED SHORT, COLLINS AND THE OTHER THREE MEN THEY WERE TO GO TO THE MOTEL AND CREATE A DISTURBANCE IN THE VICINITY SO AS TO DISTRACT THE ATTENTION OF ANY SECURITY GUARDS. THE GROUP LEFT THE DOWNTOWNER MOTEL. COLLINS AND THE NEGRO ENTERED A LIGHT COLORED LATE MOTEL BUICK OR OLDS. NO. ONE AND THE OTHER TWO MEN ENTERED A LATE MODEL CHRYSLER. SHORT DROVE HIS OWN AUTOMOBILE AND ON WAY TO MOTEL DECIDED HE DID NOT WANT TO BE INVOLVED IN A DISTURBANCE AND PROCEEDED TO KINGSPORT, TENN. HE WAS DRIVING ON INTERSTATE TWO FOUR ZERO WHEN HE HEARD OF THE ASSASSINATION BY RADIO.

SHORT CHECKED INTO THE HOLIDAY INN AT KINGSPORT, TENN., AT ONE THIRTY AM, APRIL FIVE LAST. HE CONTINUED TO ROANOKE, VA., NEXT MORNING AND CHECKED INTO HOLIDAY INN, NO. TWO, AT ONE FOURTYFOUR AM, APRIL SIX LAST.

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HE STAYED THERE UNTIL FOUND BY WISEMAN. THIS VERIFIED BY MOTEL RECORDS.

NO. TWO WHITE MALE, APPROXIMATELY THIRTY, MEDIUM BUILD AND COMPLEXION, WELL DRESSED.

NO. THREE WHITE MALE, THIRTY - FORTY, LIGHT HAIR, SLENDER BUILD, SIX FT. FOUR IN., ONE HUNDRED EIGHT LBS.

NO. FOUR, NEGRO MALE, LATE TWENTIES, OR EARLY THIRTIES, FIVE FT. ELEVEN INC., ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY LBS., LIGHT COMPLEXION, BLACK HAIR, CUT CLOSE, WELL DRESSED.

COLLINS, WHITEMALE, MIDDLE THIRTIES, MEDIUM BUILD AND COMPLEXION WELL DRESSED, DARK HAIR.

SHORT, WHITE MALE, BORN JAN. ELEVEN, FORTY THREE, CHARLESTON, WEST VA., FIVE FT. NINE, ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY LBS., DARK BROWN WAVY HAIR, BROWN EYES, MEDIUM COMPLEXION AND BUILD, DRIVING SIXTYSEVEN COMET, LA. LICENSE TWO FOUR E NINE NINE THREE.

SHORT ADMITTED HE WAS DRINKING NIGHT HE RECEIVED TELEPHONE CALL BY ~~IT~~ CLAIMS WAS NOT DRUNK. ADMITS HAVING ISSUED EIGHT INS FUNDS CHECKS. HE PAID MOTEL BILL AT HOLIDAY INN OF ONE HUNDRED THREE DOLLARS WITH GULF CREDIT CARD, NO. ONE THREE ONE FIVE SEVEN EIGHT THREE FOUR - FOUR.

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BEFORE ANY CREDENCE IS PLACED IN THIS STORY, IT IS SUGGESTED
THAT MEMPHIS ATTEMPT TO IDENTIFY AND VERIFY THE INDIVIDUALS AND
INFORMATION FURNISHED BY SHORT PERTAINING TO THE DOWNTOWNER MOTEL.
NO LEADS ARE BEING SET FORTH ^{For} ~~AT~~ JACKSON, NEW ORLEANS OR KNOXVILLE
AT THIS TIME TO VERIFY OTHER PORTIONS PENDING RECEIPT ^{of} ~~FROM~~ INFORMATION
FROM THE OFFICE OF ORIGIN AS TO WHETHER THERE IS ANY AUTHENTICITY
TO THIS STORY.

MAIL COPIES TO NEW ORLEANS, JACKSON AND KNOXVILLE.
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FBI RICHMOND

FBI MEMPHIS

711PM URGENT 4-13-68 MEN

TO RICHMOND

FROM MEMPHIS 44-1987

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MURKIN, CIVIL RIGHTS, OO: ME.

INVESTIGATION MEMPHIS REVEALS FOLLOWING INDIVIDUAL WAS REGISTERED INTO THE LORRAINE HOTEL - MOTEL, FOUR ZERO SIX MULBERRY AVE., MEMPHIS, ON EITHER APRIL THREE OR FOUR, LAST, OR BOTH DATES. IT SHOULD BE NOTED THE LORRAINE HOTEL IS WHERE DR. KING WAS ASSASSINATED:

JAMES LOVE, ROOM THREE ZERO EIGHT, APRIL THREE AND FOUR, LAST, EIGHT TWO THREE ONE CHAUNCEY COURT, ALEXANDRIA, VA.

INTERVIEW LOVE RE ANY INFO HE MAY HAVE CONCERNING ASSASSINATION.

FOR INFO OF RICHMOND, DR. KING WAS SHOT WHILE STANDING WITH HIS BACK TO HIS ROOM ON BALCONY ON SECOND FLOOR LEVEL AT ABOUT SIX P. M. TH A DIRECTION IN FRONT OF HIM. INTERVIEWING AGENTS SHOULD ENDEAVOR TO OBTAIN ONLY FACTS FROM INDIVIDUALS INTERVIEWED, KEEPING IN MIND HIGH DEGREE OF EMOTION GENERATED AS A RESULT OF ASSASSINATION, WHICH MAY AFFECT THE INDIVIDUAL'S ABILITY TO FACTUALLY RELATE WHAT HE OBSERVED AT TIME OF ASSASSINATION.

END

CORRECTION LINE TWO, PAR. THREE THE LAST WORDS SHOULD BE:

THE SHOT CAME FROM

FBI RICHMOND

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SA Damon advised
1:45 pm, 4/14/CF.
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TO MEMPHIS (44-1987)

FROM RICHMOND (44-657)

MURKIN, CIVIL RIGHTS, OO: ME.

RE ME TEL FOUR THIRTEEN LAST.

JAMES H. ^{LAUE} ~~LAUE~~ EIGHT TWO THREE ONE CHAUNCEY COURT, FAIRFAX CO.,
VA., ADVISED TODAY HE WAS GUEST AT LORRAINE MOTEL, ROOM THREE ZERO
EIGHT MEMPHIS, FROM FOUR ONE THROUGH FOUR FIVE SIXTYEIGHT, IN CONNECTION
AS ACTING DIRECTOR PROGRAM EVALUATION AND DEVELOPMENT, COMMUNITY
RELATIONS SERVICES, U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, WDC.

ON FOUR FOUR LAST AT APPROXIMATELY SIX PM ACCORDING TO LAUE
HE WAS IN ROOM THREE ZERO EIGHT LORRAINE MOTEL AND HEARD LOUD REPORT
OF FIRECRACKER FROM DIRECTION OF MOTEL COURT. HE OPENED DOOR AND
NOTED DR. KING LYING ON MOTEL BALCONY BLEEDING PROFUSELY.

LAUE STATED HE NOTICE NO ONE LEAVING THE AREA. COULD FURNISH NO
PERTINENT INFORMATION. BUT RECALLS THE FOLLOWING PRESENT UPON
ARRIVING BODY OF DR. KING: REVERENDS ANDREW YOUNG, RALPH ABERNATHY,
AND JESSE JACKSON.

MEMPHIS AT MEMPHIS IF APPROPRIATE INTERVIEW REVERENDS ANDREW
YOUNG, RALPH ABERNATHY, AND JESSE JACKSON RE THEIR RECOLLECTIONS

EVENING OF FOUR FOUR SIXTYEIGHT.
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Approved: 1 RICHMOND SUPV. TROW
JG/DWS Special Agent in Charge

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
FROM: SAC, RICHMOND (P)
SUBJECT: MURKIN
CRA, 1964

Re WFO airtel to Bureau, 4/11/68.

Mrs. RUBY DANSBY, owner and manager of the Belvoir Grill, 9100 Richmond Highway, U. S. 1, Fairfax Co., Va., phoned Fairfax Co., Va. PD night of 4/10/68 and they in turn, phoned WFO to advise that DANSBY served an unknown itinerant on 4/10/68, whom she thought resembled the artist's conception of subject which had appeared in local newspapers.

Mrs. DANSBY was interviewed by SA ROLAND H. COCKER 4/11/68 and advised that the description of the itinerant who came to her Grill was 54 years of age, 5'8", 155 lbs., sandy-graying hair, thin mustache, blue eyes, no car, and without money. She later saw the artist's conception appearing in the local newspapers and believed the itinerant to have resembled the artist's sketch. She advised she has not maintained the dinner utensils used by this person. This description was also furnished by ROSE "FRENCHIE" KELLY, a waitress who also saw the itinerant.

In view of the wide discrepancy of the physical description of the itinerant from that of the subject, no further action is being taken in this regard.

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ALL SENIOR RESIDENT AGENTS

4/19/68

SAC, RICHMOND (44-657) -P-

MURKIN

(OO: ME)

Re SAC memo to all SAs, 4/12/68.

The Bureau has instructed:

(1) NO INDICATION TO BE GIVEN THAT THESE LEADS ARE IN CONJUNCTION WITH MURKIN CASE.

(2) THIS CASE MUST BE GIVEN TOP PRIORITY AND ALL LEADS MUST BE COVERED BY TELETYPE TO THOROUGHLY RESOLVE.

Bureau in teletype 4/14/68 to all continental offices advised as follows:

ERIC STARVO GALT, the principal suspect, has been reported as having attended dancing schools in Birmingham, New Orleans, and California. All offices should immediately check all dancing schools in your territories for any record of prior attendance at any such schools by GALT and run out any leads developed. GALT reportedly signed up for a one year dancing course in New Orleans in 1964; took dancing lessons for several weeks in Birmingham beginning in September 1967; and took a four hundred ninety-nine dollar dance course from December 1967 to February 1968 at Long Beach, Calif.

One dance instructor has stated that GALT is "crazy" about dancing, but a poor dancer and difficult to teach because he does not remember instructions. He

1 - SA JESSE C. HALL, JR.

1 - SA DEAN W. CASTLIGH

1 - SA JOHN G. MC NEEHY

1 - SA MELVIN J. YANCY

1 - SA JOSEPH A. WHELAN, JR.

1 - SA CLARK E. HENTON

1 - SA JOHN A. ERWIN

1 - SA LAURENCE E. WESCOTT

1 - SA FREDERICK A. COOK

1 - SA HAROLD P. SATTLE

1 - SA WILLIAM H. THOMAS

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was described as an introvert who volunteers no information and replies with yes or no answers when asked; did not mingle with other students and made no efforts to make friends or converse with anyone.

Another dance instructor stated GALT is a good dancer, displayed slight southern accent, rural characteristics of language and diction, teeth straight and clean, fingernails clean and neatly trimmed, wore gold ring with dark stone, always neatly dressed with suit and shiny slip on type black alligator shoes with thin soles, black hose and wore tie tack and cuff links. Smoked filter cigarettes and had nervous habit of occasionally pulling at ear lobe. Owner of studio states GALT spoke of Alabama, said he was a merchant seaman; spoke of being in Mexico, but did not speak Spanish and spoke English badly, was socially inept, an introvert, and a poor dancer because he would not loosen up. The instructor advised that he smiled rarely and when he did it was a nervous crooked smile and he paid cash for lessons taking a wad of bills from his pocket.

ERIC STARVO GALT described as five feet eleven inches tall, one hundred seventy-five pounds, blue eyes, brown hair, born 7/20/31, place not given.

GALT may have used the name HARVEY LOWMYER or JOHN WILLARD or any variation of these two names or any other name. In connection with any inquiries, no indication should be given that inquiries are in connection with captioned case.

SRAs should assure expeditious handling of above contacts and immediately check on any individuals identified from these contacts. It is suggested that contact of dance studios be confined to those offering instruction to male students such as Fred Astaire Studios and the like, being noted that there are only four such studios in Richmond Headquarters area.

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TO MEMPHIS

FROM RICHMOND (44-657)

MURKIN, CIVIL RIGHTS. OO: MEMPHIS.

RE MILWAUKEE TELETYPE TO RICHMOND APRIL ELEVEN LAST.

MRS. LAURA K. GALT, CHARLOTTESVILLE, VIRGINIA, WIDOW OF JAMES H. GALT, ADVISED THAT THE ONLY LIVING GALT RELATIVE KNOWN TO HER IS HER HUSBAND'S SON BY A PREVIOUS MARRIAGE, JAMES CALHOUN GALT, WHO, UNTIL RECENTLY, RESIDED TWO ZERO THREE SUNSET DRIVE, RICHMOND, VIRGINIA, AND WAS EMPLOYED BY THE DUPONT CORPORATION, BUT RECENTLY MOVED TO CHATTANOOGA, TENNESSEE, EXACT ADDRESS UNKNOWN.

MRS. GALT ADVISED THE NAME ERIC STARVO GALT WAS COMPLETELY UNKNOWN TO HER, AND FURTHER THAT HER STEPSON WOULD HAVE NO INFORMATION NOT IN HER OWN POSSESSION.

IN VIEW OF THE FOREGOING, NO LEADS BEING SET OUT TO LOCATE AND INTERVIEW JAMES CALHOUN GALT.

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TO: SACS, SAVANNAH AND MEMPHIS
FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (44-1609)
MURKIN, CIVIL RIGHTS.

CLARENCE SHACKELFORD, SEVENTEEN CENTRAL AVENUE,
GARDEN CITY PARK, NEW YORK, A RETIRED LANDSCAPE GARDENER,
ON APRIL TWELVE ONE NINE SIX EIGHT, ADVISED THAT ON
SATURDAY, APRIL SIX ONE NINE SIX EIGHT, HE WAS ABOARD
A GREYHOUND BUS WHICH ORIGINATED IN JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA,
AT ABOUT SIX FIFTEEN A.M. THAT DATE AND AT WALTERBORO,
SOUTH CAROLINA, A NEW BUS DRIVER CAME ON BOARD AT
APPROXIMATELY ELEVEN A.M. A NEW PASSENGER ALSO BOARDED
AT WALTERBORO AND WENT IMMEDIATELY TO THE REAR SEAT
WHICH UNTIL THEN HAD BEEN OCCUPIED ONLY BY SHACKELFORD.
SHACKELFORD ADVISED THE NEW PASSENGER STRONGLY RESEMBLES
THE PROFILE ARTIST'S CONCEPTION OF UNKNOWN SUBJECT AND
DESCRIBED HIM AS WHITE MALE AMERICAN, AGE ABOUT FORTY FIVE,

1 - Richmond (AM)

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- 1 - Supervisor #23
- 1 - ADIC JOHN F. MALONE

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SIX FEET TALL, ONE SEVEN FIVE TO ONE EIGHT ZERO POUNDS, RUGGED APPEARANCE, SANDY COLORED OR LIGHT BROWN HAIR IN WIDOWS PEAK, RECEDING ON SIDES, SHAGGY, UNKEPT, LONG THIN NOSE WITH HIGH BRIDGE, PALE COMPLEXION, NEEDED A SHAVE, EYES UNKNOWN, BUT EYELASHES OF LIGHT COLOR, WEARING WORK PANTS AND SHIRT OF UNKNOWN COLOR, NO COAT. HIGH TYPE ARMY BOOTS, NO SOCKS. NO JEWELRY OR OTHER IDENTIFYING MATERIAL.

AT RALEIGH, NORTH CAROLINA, THE BUS DRIVER WALKED TO THE REAR SEAT OF THE BUS AND GAVE THE MAN A TICKET SAYING SOMETHING ABOUT HAVING CHECKED THE MAN'S BLANKET. THE MAN MADE NO REPLY BUT DURING THE THIRTY FIVE MINUTE STOP AT RALEIGH, THE MAN LEFT THE BUS AND RETURNED WITH A KHAKI COLORED ROLLED ARMY BLANKET WHICH WAS LOOSELY

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ROLLED AND TIED WITH LIGHT COLORED GRASS CORD. BOTH THE BLANKET AND THE MAN'S SHOES WERE COVERED WITH DRIED MUD OF A LIGHT COLOR. THIS MAN STAYED ABOARD THE BUS UNTIL RICHMOND, VIRGINIA, AND DISEMBARKED.

SHACKELFORD ADVISED HE BELIEVES THE MAN HAD SOME PRIOR CONVERSATION WITH THE BUS DRIVER CONCERNING THE MUD SPATTERED BLANKET AND IS CERTAIN THE BUS DRIVER WOULD REMEMBER HIM. HE DESCRIBED THE BUS DRIVER AS BEING VERY HEAVY, STANDING OVER SIX FEET TALL AND OF LIGHT COMPLEXION.

LEAD:

SAVANNAH

AT WALTERBORO, SOUTH CAROLINA. WILL ATTEMPT TO IDENTIFY THE GREYHOUND BUS DRIVER AND DETERMINE IF HE RECALLS INSTANT PASSENGER AND FURNISH PERTINENT DETAILS TO RICHMOND THE POINT OF DISEMBARKATION.

4/12/68

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
FROM: SAC, RICHMOND (44-657) - P -
MURKIN - CR
(OO:MEMPHIS)

Re WFO tel to the Director, 4/10/68.

Re communication furnished information regarding unknown individual who matched description of UNSUB. Investigation by Richmond Division determined the individual to be FREMONT SYLVESTER BURRIS, JR., white male, DOB - 8/20/37, 5'5", 170 lbs., blond hair, blue eyes, address - 7515 Carroll Ave., Takoma, Md. BURRIS was fired by Cherrydale Sheet Metal Co., 2809 Dorr Ave., Merrifield, Va., on 4/10/68 for being tardy and drunk on the job. It was determined he was employed and worked on pertinent dates involved in this matter.

In view of the above, no further investigation is being conducted re BURRIS.

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928PM URGENT 4/13/68 DWS
TO CHARLOTTE, HOUSTON AND MEMPHIS
FROM RICHMOND (44-657)

MURKIN

RE CHARLOTTE TELEPHONE CALL TO RICHMOND TODAY AND MIAMI
TEL TO BUREAU FOUR TWELVE LAST.

NO LISTING DANVILLE, VA. FOR ASSOCIATED PIPELINE CONTRACTORS
AND FIRM UNKNOWN TO SOURCES DANVILLE. TELEPHONE NUMBER SEVEN NINE
THREE DASH TWO SEVEN THREE ONE ISSUED TO HOLIDAY INN MOTEL DANVILLE.
MOTEL RECORDS REFLECT JOHN A. GAULT FIVE FIVE ONE FOUR DARNELL,
HOUSTON, TEXAS, REPRESENTING ASSOCIATED PIPELINE CONTRACTORS HOUSTON
CHECKED IN MOTEL PM APRIL FOUR LAST TIME NOT SHOWN AND CHECKED OUT
AM APRIL NINE LAST. NO RETURN RESERVATION MADE. GAULT OPERATING
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WITH ERIC STARVO GAULT OR IF ERIC GAULT KNOWN TO HIM.

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Date: 4/13/68

Transmit the following in PLAINTEXT
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(Priority)

PM URGENT 4/13/68 DWS
TO CHARLOTTE, HOUSTON AND MEMPHIS
FROM RICHMOND (44-657)

MURKIN

RE CHARLOTTE TELEPHONE CALL TO RICHMOND TODAY AND MIAMI
TEL TO BUREAU FOUR TWELVE LAST.

NO LISTING DANVILLE, VA. FOR ASSOCIATED PIPELINE CONTRACTORS
AND FIRM UNKNOWN TO SOURCES DANVILLE. TELEPHONE NUMBER SEVEN NINE
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MJY/DWS

Approved: SUPV. TROW
Special Agent in Charge

Sent 9:28P M Per DWS

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC(44-657)

DATE: 4/12/68

FROM : M.J.Yancey

SUBJECT: MURKIN
OO:MEMPHIS

RE: JOHN A. GAULT

Reference Charlotte teletype 4/12/68

AT DANVILLE, VA.

The following investigation was conducted on 4/12/68

An examination of the Danville telephone and city directories failed to result in locating a listing for Associated Pipeline Contractors, and L.R.Wyatt, Retail Merchants Association states he has never heard of this firm operating in Danville, Va.

Lt. MARION SETLIFF, PD Danville, Va. advised he has never heard of Associated Pipeline Contractors operating in the Danville, Va. area and he has no record for JOHN A. GAULT.

Records of C & P Telephone Company, Danville, Va. reflect telephone 793-2731 issued Holliday Inn Motel, Danville, Va.

Mr. WESLEY DOVE, Clerk, Holiday Inn Motel, Danville, Va. stated JOHN A. GAULT registered at that motel during the PM of 4/4/68, however the exact time of registration was not shown. He gave his address as 5514 Darnell, Houston, Texas, and stated was representing Associated Pipeline Contractors of Houston. He stated he was operating a 1968 Ford and listed the license number as North Carolina 2953-C. While at the hotel GAULT made three local calls from his motel room, however no record was kept as to the numbers called. On 4/4/68 and again on 4/8/68 he made a call to Houston, Texas, telephone 667-0906. He made another call on 4/8/68 however the number he called was not shown on the telephone charge slip. GAULT checked out of the Motel during the morning of 4/9/68, exact time of check out not shown.

Mr. DOVE stated he was on duty each evening from 4/4/68 to 4/9/68 and recalls JOHN A. GAULT, however he could not describe him other than to state he was a white man. DOVE checked with other motel employees who said they could not describe him. GAULT did not make a return reservation and Mr. DOVE said he had no reason to think he will return to Danville. DOVE stated he had never heard of Associated Pipeline Contractors before and has never had another guest who worked for this firm.



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4/15/68

AIRTEL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
FROM: SAC, WFO (44-703) (P)

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MURKIN - CR

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On 4/12/68, Mrs. W. WAYNE (ALICE) WILSON, 6807 Nesbitt Place, Mc Lean, Virginia, telephone 356-6134, advised that she had cut out and retained a copy of the composite drawing of the slayer of Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. While watching the television coverage of the funeral, she felt certain she observed a person closely resembling or identical with the person on the composite. She advised that she believes she was watching channel 4 (NBC Network) and that the person was observed prior to the Church service, and approximately ten minutes previous to the appearance of Mrs. KING at the Church. She stated that the person was standing along side of a full-faced colored male, near a brick wall. This possible suspect was standing to the side and in front of the colored male.

The above information is being furnished for the information thereof for Atlanta for possible future use.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

- 3- Bureau
 - 2- Memphis (44-1987)
 - 2- Atlanta
 - ① Richmond (Info)
 - 1- WFO
- RWD:bdc
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, RICHMOND (44-657)

FROM : SUPR. R. E. TROW

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 4/15/68

Re Charlotte tlyetype, 4/9/68.

In connection with referenced teletype, received in the early stages of this investigation, it was noted that Charlotte indicated a suspect who allegedly confessed to the killing of MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. and that he was apparently hitchhiking to Washington, D. C., to give himself up.

This was put out on a State Police All Points Bulleting and subsequently cancelled. However, prior to cancellation, the Henrico, Va. PD apprehended one MICHAEL WALTER GRIFFIN as a hitchhiker on Interstate 95 north of Richmond, as a possible suspect, however he was charged by them with vagrancy. GRIFFIN gave his address as 559 South Ditman Street, Los Angeles, California. It is noted that this individual from North Carolina was positively known to have a tattoo on his upper right arm consisting of a heart with the words, "Born to Lose" through the heart. GRIFFIN had no such tattoo. X

This is being made a matter of record merely to record the name of this hitchhiker.

① - Richmond

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AIRTEL

DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
ATTENTION: LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION
FROM: SAC, RICHMOND (44-657) - P -

MURKIN
(OO:MEMPHIS)

RE: SUSPECT: LESTER IRVING FORSYTHE, JR.

Re Richmond tel to Bureau 4/9/68; Charlotte tel to Bureau 4/9/68 and Newark tel to Bureau 4/11/68, all pertaining to above suspect.

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BUREAU requested to compare fingerprints of FORSYTHE with latents submitted in this matter. If not identical, no further investigation being conducted re FORSYTHE since his present location is unknown.

Newark being furnished info copy in view of interest in this matter.

3 - Bureau
2 - Memphis (44-1987)
1 - Newark (Info)
2 - Richmond
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AIRTEL

DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
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FROM: SAC, RICHMOND (44-657) - P -

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1 - Newark (Info)
2 - Richmond
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4-16-68

AIRTEL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
FROM: SAC, RICHMOND (44-657) -P-
SUBJECT: MURKIN - CR

ReWFO teletype to Director, Memphis and Richmond,
5:25 a.m., 4-8-68.

RE: "CHUCK" DOLAN

Basis for investigation of this person as suspect was receipt of telephone call by WFO indicating "CHUCK" LNU reportedly admitted to several girl acquaintances in Alexandria, Va., on April 6, 1968, that he had some involvement in MURKIN.

Investigation at Alexandria, Va., identified this individual as "CHUCK" DOLAN who in presence of several girls during discussion of KING's assassination kiddingly indicated he had shot KING. One girl not acquainted with DOLAN thought he might be serious and reported statement to FBI. Investigation at Alexandria indicates no basis to further consider this individual as a logical suspect.

UNKNOWN SUBJECT ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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Washington Field Office Special Agent WILLIAM LANDERS telephonically
Alexandria, Va. Resident Agent,
advised SA ARTHUR P. ROEHRL/at approximately 2:30am on April 8, 1968 that
female
his office had received an anonymous/telephone call ~~from~~ advising that a person
by the name of ~~XXXXXXXX~~ "CHUCK" from Tennessee, a white male, six feet , sandy
hair, side burns, dark sunglasses, driving a light colored Pontiac with Tennessee
tags had commented over the weekend that he had shot MARTIN LUTHER KING. The
caller advised that she did not know if he were serious in the comment or not but
another person by the name of JANET WHEATLEY of 2301 N. 11th Street in Arlington,
Virginia with the phone number 522-6605 was present. "CHUCK" was further
described as being married ~~and~~ with children in Tennessee and in the rear of the
window of his car was an imitation skeleton head. His whereabouts was not known
but he might be ^{staying} ~~living~~ in Alexandria near Columbus or Wolfe Streets.

The caller mentioned that she had advised her boyfriend, NEAL HUSTON who is
employed at the HEISHMAN VOLKSWAGEN Dealer as a mechanic on Jefferson Davis Highway
in Alexandria.

MR. NEAL HUSTON, 310 E. Nelson Avenue Alexandria, Virginia employed as a
mechanic at the HEISHMAN VOLKSWAGEN dealer on Jefferson Davis Highway in Alexandria
SA ROLAND M. COCKER
ON 4/9/68 advised that he was not present when any comment against MARTIN LUTHER KING WAS made
by "CHUCK" but his girl friend, LOUISE HELTON who is a telephone operator and who
resides at 2301 N. 11th Street in Arlington had told him of the incident and of the
fact that she had called the Federal Bureau of Investigation in Washington , D.C.
to advise of the comment which she had heard.

MISS LOUISE HELTON , Apartment 302 at 2301 - 11th Street North, Arlington, Va.
advised that she is a telephone operator for the C. & P. Telephone Company in
Arlington , Virginia at the N. Irving Street Office. She stated that on Saturday
April 6, 1968, she was in the company of her roommate, JANET WHEATLEY, and while
sitting in their ~~apartment of her roommate, NEAL HUSTON~~ apartment, "CHUCK" and the

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cussing the assassination of MARTIN LUTHER KING , when "CHUCK" stated that he had shot KING with a telescope rifle in Memphis. MISS HELTON asked if he meant this remark and he said that he did. She stated that she could not tell if he were joking or not but that because of his mannerisms she thought he might have had some narcotic stimulus of some kind becuae he wore sunglasses all the time, even at night, and he walked continuously when in the apartment. She stated that she felt compelled to call the FBI in view of the investigation that was being conducted. She had never seen him before and does not know what he does for a living or where he is staying in this area but he might be in Alexandria, Virginia in the vicinity of Columbus Street . She described him as a white male, married , not sure of where in Tennessee he might come from but he drives a 1958 blue Pontiac sedan with an imitation skeleton head in the rear window. She saw no gun but described him as approximately 6 feet, twenty-five years of age, dark brown hair, medium build.

MISS LOUISE WHEATLEY, roommate of LOUISE HELTON and also a telephone operator in Arlington, Virginia advised that she first met "CHUCK" DOLAN in Kingsport, Tennessee about five years ago and does not know where he lives or ~~what~~ where he might be staying at this time. She stated that she used to date him about four or five years ago but that she had not seen him for about six months. She advised that he did make the statement in the presence of her roommate on Saturday, April 6, 1968 that he had shot KING, but that he was only "kidding" and she paid no attention to the remark because she was certain that he did not mean anything by it. She described him as a white male, married with children but residence not known, height 6'1" or 6'2", medium build, dark brown hair, about twenty-five years of age. His employment was not known but he used to be a door hangar in Kingsport, Tennessee, and had lived in the Alexandria, Virginia area about six or eight months ago, however, his residence or employment were not known. MISS WHEATLEY emphasized that she was certain that DOLAN had made the comment in a joking manner, perhaps using bad discretion in the presence of her roommate who did not know his personality and she regretted that it was called to the attention of the FBI.~~sk~~

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Date: 4/15/68

Transmit the following in _____
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TO: SAC, RICHMOND (44-657)
FROM: SAC, CHARLOTTE (44-1365) (P)
MURKIN
CR
(OO: MEMPHIS)

Re Miami teletype to Bureau, 4/12/68, with copies to offices receiving this communication; and Charlotte telephone call to Richmond, 4/13/68.

Investigation, Charlotte Division, 4/13/68, failed to reflect any significant information concerning JOHN A. GALT, who is mentioned in referenced teletype as departing Greensboro, N. C., at 2:01 PM, 4/9/68, via Eastern Air Lines Flight 621 for Atlanta, Ga., and thereafter departing Atlanta for Houston, Texas.

Investigation, Greensboro, N. C., failed to reflect any information identifiable with Associated Pipeline Contractors ~~and~~ on 4/13/68, and on 4/13/68 pertinent information contained in retel pertaining to JOHN A. GALT was furnished telephonically to the Richmond Division with the request that GALT's point of contact concerning his airline reservations be checked out for any further identifiable information.

Referenced teletype reflected GALT's contact point as telephone number 793-2731, Room 608, Danville, Va.

Investigation continuing at Charlotte.

- ② - Richmond
1 - Atlanta (44-2386)
1 - Birmingham (44-1740)
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Special Agent in Charge

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, RICHMOND (44-657)

DATE: 4/17/68

FROM : SA HAROLD P. SETTLE

MURKIN

SUBJECT:

On 4/15/68 there was delivered to the Roanoke RA the attached telegram addressed to "Chief Inspector, Federal Building, Federal Bureau of Investigators, Roanoke, Virginia. "Whereabouts of E. S. Galt traced from Atlanta to your vicinity in route by bus. Check routes 220, 11, 460, lower class motels. Armed, Dangerous 5/11 175 lbs blue eyes brown hair assistance from All areas by 8 p.m. Inspector 247 Salem District".

Mrs. Edna Shelor, Powell Pharmacy, Inc., 219 E. Main Street, Salem, Virginia, stated at 3:26 p.m. on 4/15/68, what ~~xxxx~~ sound like a young person, male, very pleasant, local accent, called ~~xxxx~~ on the telephone and stated he was Inspector 247 of the Federal Bureau of Investigation and wanted to send a telegram collect to the FBI, Roanoke, Va. She stated he then dictated the telegram as sent. She stated she didn't get a telephone number, name or any other identifying information from the individual that sent the message. She stated that she had no idea as to his possible identity. She related if this individual called back she would attempt to secure identifying information and would immediately notify

the FBI.

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Since it does not appear possible to identify this individual it is not felt further effort should be made in this matter.

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Date: 4/16/68

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TO: SAC, RICHMOND (44-657)
 FROM: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987) (P)
 SUBJECT: MURKIN
 CR

(00: Memphis)

Re Richmond tel to Memphis 4/12/68.

MARY ANN JONES, Desk Clerk, Downtowner Motor Inn, 160 Union Ave., Memphis, Tenn., advised the room numbers of that motor inn begin with 200 and they have no room number 126. JONES stated she remembers most of the guests at the motor inn but she cannot recall four men, three whites and one Negro, checking in as a group.

JONES was furnished descriptions of individuals listed in referenced communication and she advised she could recall no one fitting these descriptions. She further stated she could not recall a late model Oldsmobile and a late model Chrysler leaving the motor inn on the afternoon of 4/4/68.

An inspection of the registration cards for the Downtowner Motor Inn did not reveal anyone who could be identical with the individuals described in referenced communication.

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 2 - Memphis

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FBI Hunt For Galt Widening

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (AP) — FBI agents from Virginia to Florida were making an intensive hunt today for the mystery man whose abandoned white Mustang fits descriptions of a car seen leaving the scene of the Martin Luther King Jr. assassination.

The object of the widening search was Eric Starvo Galt, 37, known only as an unemployed seaman from Birmingham, Ala. A car registered in that name was seized by the FBI in Atlanta last Friday, eight days after King was shot to death in Memphis.

The FBI refused to acknowledge the hunt or to say why Galt was wanted. "No comment," was the routine reply. But Associated Press checks disclosed that FBI agents had contacted persons named Galt in several states including Virginia, Alabama and Florida.

*Orig. sent per by
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(Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

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RICHMOND, VA.

Date: 4/15/68
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Submitting Office: Richmond

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ALERT WITHDRAWN

An FBI alert for Galt was sent over the Florida police communications network last Friday, but withdrawn four hours later.

FBI agents have continued to inquire about Galt at numerous places including dry cleaners and service stations in Birmingham, where a man named Eric Starvo Galt rented a room at a Southside boarding house within the past eight months.

Meanwhile, in Jacksonville, Fla., a man picked up for questioning about the assassination was cleared, police said.

Agents have exhibited composite drawings of a man's face, but no photographs, according to persons contacted in Birmingham.

At the same time, police sources in Memphis disclosed Sunday that the FBI was withholding nationwide distribution of a composite drawing of King's killer, who fired the death shot from a dingy second-floor bathroom in a rundown rooming house. King, leader of nonviolent civil rights forces, was struck in the neck as he stood on a second-floor motel balcony facing the rear of the rooming house.

"They haven't given us anything but a physical description. They aren't handing out pictures of the man," said a police official who asked that his name be withheld.

"They either don't have a good one, or they're going it alone."

FBI WASH DC

640PM URGENT 4-17-68 SA

TO ALL SACS

FROM DIRECTOR

MURKIN

THE FOLLOWING PRESS RELEASE WAS ISSUED AT WASHINGTON, D.C., AT FIVE FORTYFIVE P.M. THIS AFTERNOON. YOU ARE AUTHORIZED TO RELEASE AT SIX P.M. EASTERN STANDARD TIME. ALTHOUGH IT IS REALIZED THE WIRE SERVICES WILL CARRY THE FULL TEXT, YOU SHOULD IMMEDIATELY CONTACT THE LEADING NEWSPAPERS AND RADIO AND TV STATIONS IN YOUR DIVISION TO INSURE IT RECEIVES IMMEDIATE WIDESPREAD DISTRIBUTION. YOU ARE ALSO AUTHORIZED TO IMMEDIATELY MAKE AVAILABLE TO ALL MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES COPIES OF THE TWO PHOTOGRAPHS ALREADY IN YOUR POSSESSION. THE DESCRIPTIVE DATA ON THE BACKS OF THESE PHOTOGRAPHS SHOULD BE DELETED. PHOTOGRAPH NUMBER ONE WITH EYES CLOSED SHOULD CARRY THE CAPTION, "ERIC STARVO GALT, ALSO KNOWN AS HARVEY LOWMYER AND JOHN WILLARD." PHOTOGRAPH NUMBER TWO SHOULD CARRY THE CAPTION, "ERIC STARVO GALT, ALSO KNOWN AS HARVEY LOWMYER AND JOHN WILLARD (EYES DRAWN IN BY FBI ARTIST)." YOU ARE AUTHORIZED TO REPRODUCE LOCALLY

*Info Trans, SA Barnett
advised 4/17/68*

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ADDITIONAL PHOTOGRAPHS AS REQUIRED. YOU SHOULD ATTEMPT TO INSURE THAT THIS RELEASE AND PHOTOGRAPHS RECEIVE REPEATED COVERAGE BY RADIO AND TV STATIONS. YOU ARE TO MAKE NO ELABORATION WHATSOEVER REGARDING THIS RELEASE.

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

APRIL 17, 1968

ATTORNEY GENERAL RAMSEY CLARK ANNOUNCED TODAY THAT ERIC STARVO GALT IS BEING SOUGHT BY THE FBI AS A FUGITIVE ON A FEDERAL CHARGE ARISING FROM THE FATAL SHOOTING OF THE REVEREND DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., IN MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE, ON APRIL 4, 1968.

DIRECTOR J. EDGAR HOOVER STATED THAT A FEDERAL COMPLAINT WAS FILED BY THE FBI IN BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA, TODAY CHARGING GALT WITH CONSPIRING TO VIOLATE THE CIVIL RIGHTS OF DR. KING IN VIOLATION OF TITLE 18, SECTION 241, OF THE UNITED STATES CODE.

THE FBI COMPLAINT CHARGES THAT "ON OR ABOUT MARCH 29, 1968, AT BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA, ...ERIC STARVO GALT AND AN INDIVIDUAL WHOM HE ALLEGED TO BE HIS BROTHER, ENTERED INTO A CONSPIRACY WHICH CONTINUED UNTIL ON OR ABOUT APRIL 5, 1968, TO INJURE, OPPRESS, THREATEN, OR INTIMIDATE MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.,... IN THE FREE EXERCISE OR ENJOYMENT OF A RIGHT SECURED TO HIM BY THE CONSTITUTION OR LAWS OF THE UNITED STATES; NAMELY, THE RIGHT TO FREELY TRAVEL FROM STATE TO STATE. IN FURTHERANCE OF THIS CONSPIRACY, ERIC STARVO GALT DID, ON OR ABOUT MARCH 30, 1968, PURCHASE A RIFLE AT BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA..."

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ACCORDING TO MR. HOOVER, A 30.06 RIFLE EQUIPPED WITH A TELESCOPIC SIGHT WAS FOUND NEAR A ROOMING HOUSE ON SOUTH MAIN STREET IN MEMPHIS IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE FATAL SHOOTING OF DR. KING OCCURRED. THE ROOMING HOUSE OVERLOOKS THE LORRAINE HOTEL AND MOTEL WHERE DR. KING WAS STAYING.

MR. HOOVER SAID THAT FBI AGENTS DETERMINED THAT THE 30.06 RIFLE HAD BEEN PURCHASED FROM A GUN DEALER IN BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA, ON MARCH 30, 1968. THE TELESCOPIC SIGHT ALSO WAS PURCHASED FROM THIS DEALER.

THE FBI DIRECTOR SAID THAT GALT, WHO HAS USED THE NAMES OF JOHN WILLARD AND HARVEY LOWMYER IN THE PAST, IS THE OWNER OF A 1966 WHITE MUSTANG BEARING ALABAMA LICENSE PLATES WHICH WAS LOCATED ABANDONED IN ATLANTA, GEORGIA, ON APRIL 11, 1968. INVESTIGATION DISCLOSED THAT GALT PURCHASED THIS CAR FROM A PRIVATE CITIZEN IN BIRMINGHAM ON AUGUST 30, 1967. THE MUSTANG'S ODOMETER SHOWED THAT IT HAD BEEN DRIVEN MORE THAN 19,000 MILES BETWEEN LATE AUGUST, 1967, AND EARLY APRIL, 1968.

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ACCORDING TO MR. HOOVER, GALT'S TRAVELS IN THE MUSTANG INCLUDED TRIPS TO LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA; NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA; BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA; AND MEXICO, AS WELL AS TO MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE, AND ATLANTA, GEORGIA. GALT WAS REPORTED TO HAVE BEEN IN MEMPHIS ON APRIL 3 AND 4, 1968, AND TO HAVE DEPARTED FROM THERE FOR ATLANTA.

INTENSIVE INVESTIGATION BY THE FBI HAS DISCLOSED THAT GALT HAS CLAIMED TO HAVE BEEN EMPLOYED AS A COOK ON MISSISSIPPI RIVER VESSELS AND AS A MERCHANT SEAMAN. HE IS SAID TO BE AN AVID DANCER AND TOOK DANCING LESSONS IN NEW ORLEANS IN 1964 AND 1965; IN BIRMINGHAM DURING SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER, 1967; AND IN LONG BEACH CALIFORNIA, FROM DECEMBER, 1967 TO FEBRUARY, 1968.

GALT LEFT LOS ANGELES ON DECEMBER 15, 1967, AND DROVE HIS WHITE MUSTANG TO NEW ORLEANS, WHERE HE CLAIMED HE CONTACTED EITHER AN ENGINEERING OR A CONTRACTING FIRM. HE LEFT NEW ORLEANS ON DECEMBER 19TH AND ARRIVED BACK IN LOS ANGELES ON DECEMBER 21, 1967.

WHILE IN THE LOS ANGELES AREA EARLY THIS YEAR, GALT TOOK A COURSE AT A SCHOOL OF BARTENDING AND WAS GRADUATED ON MARCH 2, 1968.

THE FUGITIVE IS DESCRIBED AS WHITE MALE. HE IS APPROXIMATELY 5 FEET 8 INCHES TO 5 FEET 11 INCHES TALL AND WEIGHS BETWEEN 160 AND 175 POUNDS. HE IS SAID TO BE A NEAT DRESSER AND HAS A MEDIUM BUILD.

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GALT HAS BROWN HAIR, WHICH HE WEARS IN A "BRUSH" CUT. HE REPORTEDLY HAS BLUE EYES; HIS NOSE IS STRAIGHT AND NARROW; HIS TEETH ARE STRAIGHT AND CLEAN; AND HE HAS GIVEN HIS DATE OF BIRTH AS JULY 20, 1931.

THE FUGITIVE IS SAID TO HAVE A NERVOUS HABIT OF OCCASIONALLY PULLING AT AN EAR LOBE WITH HIS HAND. HIS LEFT EAR PROTRUDES FARTHER FROM HIS HEAD THAN HIS RIGHT EAR.

ACCORDING TO MR. HOOVER, PERSONS WHO HAVE MET GALT DESCRIBE HIM AS A "LONER" AND STATE HIS LANGUAGE AND DICTION HAVE A "RURAL" QUALITY AND SUGGEST THAT HE PROBABLY DOES NOT HAVE A HIGH DEGREE OF EDUCATION. HE IS SAID TO DRINK ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AND HAS A PREFERENCE FOR VODKA AND BEER. HE IS A FAN OF WESTERN AND COUNTRY MUSIC.

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YOU ARE ALSO AUTHORIZED TO IMMEDIATELY MAKE AVAILABLE TO ALL MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES COPIES OF THE TWO PHOTOGRAPHS ALREADY IN YOUR POSSESSION. THE DESCRIPTIVE DATA ON THE BACKS OF THESE PHOTOGRAPHS SHOULD BE DELETED. PHOTOGRAPH NUMBER ONE WITH EYES CLOSED SHOULD CARRY THE CAPTION, "ERIC STARVO GALT, ALSO KNOWN AS HARVEY LOWMYER AND JOHN WILLARD." PHOTOGRAPH NUMBER TWO SHOULD CARRY THE CAPTION, "ERIC STARVO GALT, ALSO KNOWN AS HARVEY LOWMYER AND JOHN WILLARD (EYES DRAWN IN BY FBI ARTIST)." YOU ARE AUTHORIZED TO REPRODUCE LOCALLY

*Agree, SA Barnett
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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

APRIL 17, 1968

ATTORNEY GENERAL RAMSEY CLARK ANNOUNCED TODAY THAT ERIC STARVO GALT IS BEING SOUGHT BY THE FBI AS A FUGITIVE ON A FEDERAL CHARGE ARISING FROM THE FATAL SHOOTING OF THE REVEREND DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., IN MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE, ON APRIL 4, 1968.

DIRECTOR J. EDGAR HOOVER STATED THAT A FEDERAL COMPLAINT WAS FILED BY THE FBI IN BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA, TODAY CHARGING GALT WITH CONSPIRING TO VIOLATE THE CIVIL RIGHTS OF DR. KING IN VIOLATION OF TITLE 18, SECTION 241, OF THE UNITED STATES CODE.

THE FBI COMPLAINT CHARGES THAT "ON OR ABOUT MARCH 29, 1968, AT BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA, ...ERIC STARVO GALT AND AN INDIVIDUAL WHOM HE ALLEGED TO BE HIS BROTHER, ENTERED INTO A CONSPIRACY WHICH CONTINUED UNTIL ON OR ABOUT APRIL 5, 1968, TO INJURE, OPPRESS, THREATEN, OR INTIMIDATE MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., ... IN THE FREE EXERCISE OR ENJOYMENT OF A RIGHT SECURED TO HIM BY THE CONSTITUTION OR LAWS OF THE UNITED STATES; NAMELY, THE RIGHT TO FREELY TRAVEL FROM STATE TO STATE. IN FURTHERANCE OF THIS CONSPIRACY, ERIC STARVO GALT DID, ON OR ABOUT MARCH 30, 1968, PURCHASE A RIFLE AT BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA..."

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ACCORDING TO MR. HOOVER, A 30.06 RIFLE EQUIPPED WITH A TELESCOPIC SIGHT WAS FOUND NEAR A ROOMING HOUSE ON SOUTH MAIN STREET IN MEMPHIS IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE FATAL SHOOTING OF DR. KING OCCURRED. THE ROOMING HOUSE OVERLOOKS THE LORRAINE HOTEL AND MOTEL WHERE DR. KING WAS STAYING.

MR. HOOVER SAID THAT FBI AGENTS DETERMINED THAT THE 30.06 RIFLE HAD BEEN PURCHASED FROM A GUN DEALER IN BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA, ON MARCH 30, 1968. THE TELESCOPIC SIGHT ALSO WAS PURCHASED FROM THIS DEALER.

THE FBI DIRECTOR SAID THAT GALT, WHO HAS USED THE NAMES OF JOHN WILLARD AND HARVEY LOWMYER IN THE PAST, IS THE OWNER OF A 1966 WHITE MUSTANG BEARING ALABAMA LICENSE PLATES WHICH WAS LOCATED ABANDONED IN ATLANTA, GEORGIA, ON APRIL 11, 1968. INVESTIGATION DISCLOSED THAT GALT PURCHASED THIS CAR FROM A PRIVATE CITIZEN IN BIRMINGHAM ON AUGUST 30, 1967. THE MUSTANG'S ODOMETER SHOWED THAT IT HAD BEEN DRIVEN MORE THAN 19,000 MILES BETWEEN LATE AUGUST, 1967, AND EARLY APRIL, 1968.

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ACCORDING TO MR. HOOVER, GALT'S TRAVELS IN THE MUSTANG INCLUDED TRIPS TO LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA; NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA; BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA; AND MEXICO, AS WELL AS TO MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE, AND ATLANTA, GEORGIA. GALT WAS REPORTED TO HAVE BEEN IN MEMPHIS ON APRIL 3 AND 4, 1968, AND TO HAVE DEPARTED FROM THERE FOR ATLANTA.

INTENSIVE INVESTIGATION BY THE FBI HAS DISCLOSED THAT GALT HAS CLAIMED TO HAVE BEEN EMPLOYED AS A COOK ON MISSISSIPPI RIVER VESSELS AND AS A MERCHANT SEAMAN. HE IS SAID TO BE AN AVID DANCER AND TOOK DANCING LESSONS IN NEW ORLEANS IN 1964 AND 1965; IN BIRMINGHAM DURING SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER, 1967; AND IN LONG BEACH CALIFORNIA, FROM DECEMBER, 1967 TO FEBRUARY, 1968.

GALT LEFT LOS ANGELES ON DECEMBER 15, 1967, AND DROVE HIS WHITE MUSTANG TO NEW ORLEANS, WHERE HE CLAIMED HE CONTACTED EITHER AN ENGINEERING OR A CONTRACTING FIRM. HE LEFT NEW ORLEANS ON DECEMBER 19TH AND ARRIVED BACK IN LOS ANGELES ON DECEMBER 21, 1967.

WHILE IN THE LOS ANGELES AREA EARLY THIS YEAR, GALT TOOK A COURSE AT A SCHOOL OF BARTENDING AND WAS GRADUATED ON MARCH 2, 1968.

THE FUGITIVE IS DESCRIBED AS WHITE MALE. HE IS APPROXIMATELY 5 FEET 8 INCHES TO 5 FEET 11 INCHES TALL AND WEIGHS BETWEEN 160 AND 175 POUNDS. HE IS SAID TO BE A NEAT DRESSER AND HAS A MEDIUM BUILD.

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GALT HAS BROWN HAIR, WHICH HE WEARS IN A "BRUSH" CUT. HE REPORTEDLY HAS BLUE EYES; HIS NOSE IS STRAIGHT AND NARROW; HIS TEETH ARE STRAIGHT AND CLEAN; AND HE HAS GIVEN HIS DATE OF BIRTH AS JULY 20, 1931.

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Lt. NORMAN GRIMM, Detective, Alexandria, Virginia, Police Department, on April 6, 1968, advised SA ARTHUR P. ROEHRL the records of his department reflect that JOHNNY SAUNDERS WILLARD, 4524 Chaney Avenue, Apartment 101, Alexandria, Virginia, was charged on December 2, 1962 with Grand Larceny, reckless driving and operating a motor vehicle without a permit. No disposition of this charge was shown on the records.

The records further reflect that WILLARD was a white male, born July 10, 1946, Richlands, Virginia, was 5'10", 145 lbs., blue eyes, brown hair, and was a service station attendant.

Lt. GRIMM informed that the arresting officer was JAMES L. OUTLAND. He related that OUTLAND was no longer employed by the police department; however, he is employed by the Secret Service in Washington, D.C. He stated his full name was JAMES L. OUTLAND, and his residence address was 709 Chatworth Place, Alexandria, Virginia.

Lt. GRIMM informed that he could not find the folder with reference to this particular case; however, he would make it available as soon as it had found.

On April 11, 1968, Lt. GRIMM made available the folder with reference to WILLARD. The records indicate that WILLARD on December 1, 1962 at approximately 6 P.M., was getting off work at his place of employment, the Harper's Flying-A Service, 1000 South Washington Street, Alexandria, Virginia. At this time the owner, HENRY HARPER, paid him and informed him that he no longer needed his services inasmuch as he needed a man with more experience. A customer had left a 1962 Corvair at the station, and the keys were in this automobile. WILLARD took the automobile, then picked up JAMES W. BROWN of 1926 Duke Street, Alexandria, Virginia. They then drove to Washington, D.C., Maryland and various areas in Alexandria and during the period were drinking beer.

WILLARD was driving on Duke Street west when he hit a pedestrian. WILLARD was then charged with reckless driving, Grand Larceny of an automobile and operating a motor vehicle without a permit.

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