

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC (44-1242)

DATE: 4/20/68

FROM : SA JOSEPH C. WEBB, JR.

SUBJECT: MURCHIN

Following investigation conducted by SA JOSEPH C. WEBB, JR.:

AT KERRVILLE, TEXAS:

Mrs. VIVIAN BERTHA FINLEY HEDGES, was located at the Big Oaks Cabins, Kerrville-Ingram Highway, 4/19/68 at which time she stated that her son WILLIAM DAVID WILLIS was assigned to the USS SARATOGA, Philadelphia Navy Yard, in January, 1968. She said he was to go on a three-four month cruise and she has not seen or heard from since that time.

She said WILLIS was formerly stationed at Jacksonville, Fla., and lived with his wife, JOYCE WILLIS, and family, at 902 S. 14th Street, Jacksonville. She said when WILLIS told her of being transferred to Phila. he said that JOYCE and the family would stay in Jacksonville until the end of the school term before coming to join him in Phila.

She said that WILLIS was last in Kerrville in April, 1966, when he was on transfer from White Sands Missile Base, New Mexico, to Jacksonville, Fla., at which time he was driving a 1955-56 Pontiac.

She said that WILLIS joined the Navy when 18 yrs. old and has been in approximately 10 years. She said he has a good record and has never been in trouble.

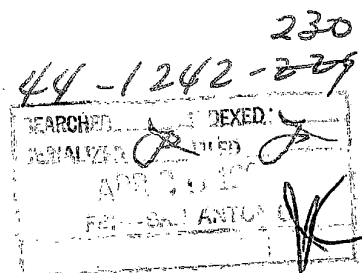
HEDGES said she does not know his present whereabouts but presumes he is in Phila. and his wife still at Jacksonville, Fla.

DAMON WILLIS, brother, and Mrs. TED LACKEY, sister, to WILLIAM DAVID WILLIS, also advised 4/19/68, they had no knowledge on whereabouts of WILLIS.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC (44-1242)

DATE: 4/24/68

FROM : SA JAMES C. HOLMES

SUBJECT: MURKIN- CR

The following investigation was conducted by SA JAMES C. HOLMES on 4/23/68:

The following persons were furnished IOs & WF's re JAMES EARL RAY & stops placed where appropriate:

At Eagle Pass, Texas

Chief of Police PETE ROSSI, EPPD

Deputy Sheriff HARVEY HILL, Maverick Co. SO

TRAVIS KUYKENDALL, USC Agency

M.M. HAGLER, US INS

At Piedras Negras, Coah., Mexico

Chief of Police JESUS GUERRERO, PNPD

SA 575-C

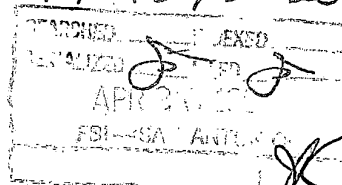
PCI JUAN VASQUEZ ROSA

At Ciudad Acuna, Coahuila, Mexico

SA 681-C

SA 736-C

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
April 20, 1968

JAMES EARL RAY, also known as
Eric Starvo Galt, Harvey Lowmyer,
John Willard, James McBride, James
Walton, W. C. Herron and James
O'Conner

FUGITIVE

CIVIL RIGHTS - CONSPIRACY;
INTERSTATE FLIGHT - ARMED ROBBERY

"TEN MOST WANTED FUGITIVES" PROGRAM

James Earl Ray, a Missouri prison escapee who has been sought under the alias Eric Starvo Galt in connection with the gunshot slaying of civil rights leader Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., has been added to the FBI's list of "Ten Most Wanted Fugitives."

FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover ordered the special addition of Ray to the "Ten Most Wanted Fugitives" list, which already contains ten fugitives, to insure the widest possible dissemination of Ray's photograph and description to help effect his earliest possible location.

Ray has been the subject of a massive and intensive search since the brutal gunshot slaying of Dr. King on April 4, 1968, as he stood on the balcony of a Memphis, Tennessee, motel. One rifle bullet, believed fired from the window of a nearby rooming house, felled the victim.

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An exhaustive FBI fingerprint search, comparing latent fingerprints uncovered in the Dr. King case against fingerprints of over 53,000 persons on whom wanted notices have been posted in the FBI's Identification Division, succeeded in determining that Galt and Ray are identical.

A Federal warrant, issued at Birmingham, Alabama, on April 17, 1968, charges Ray, under the alias Eric Starvo Galt, with conspiring to interfere with a Constitutional Right of a United States citizen. Ray is also sought for unlawful interstate flight to avoid confinement after conviction for armed robbery, based on a Federal warrant issued on July 20, 1967, at Jefferson City, Missouri. He had been confined at the Missouri State Penitentiary, Jefferson City, Missouri, in March, 1960, with a 20-year sentence following conviction for armed robbery and operating a motor vehicle without permission of the owner. In September, 1966, while serving the sentence, he was confined for a time in the maximum security ward at the State Hospital, Fulton, Missouri. He was reported missing from the Missouri State Penitentiary since April 23, 1967.

Ray, who has an arrest record dating back to 1949 and has been convicted of burglary, armed robbery and forging United States Postal Money Orders, has also been confined in the Los Angeles County Jail, the Joliet and Pontiac, Illinois, State Prisons and the United States Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kansas.

He served in the Army between February, 1946, and December, 1948, received a three-month sentence at hard labor for being drunk and breaking arrest and was given a General Discharge due to ineptness and lack of adaptability for military service.

Ray is a 40-year-old white male, reportedly born in Illinois on [REDACTED]. He is approximately 5'10" inches tall, weighs from 163 to 174 pounds, has blue eyes and brown hair which he has worn cut short. He has a small scar on the center of his forehead and a scar on the palm of his right hand. He has been described as having a straight, narrow nose and straight and even teeth and to have a nervous habit of occasionally tugging at an ear lobe. His left ear protrudes noticeably.

Acquaintances describe him as a "loner" and "drifter" whose language and diction reflect a "rural" quality and indicate he has had limited education.

He is reportedly a fan of western and country music, drinks vodka and beer, dresses neatly and claims past employment as a merchant seaman and cook on Mississippi River vessels. He is known to have worked as a baker, laborer and color matcher.

He is known as an avid dancer who has taken dancing lessons. He also completed a course at a school of bartending in the Los Angeles area early in 1968.

Ray should be considered armed and extremely dangerous. Anyone with information concerning this fugitive is requested to immediately contact the nearest office of the FBI, the telephone number of which may be found on the first page of local telephone directories.



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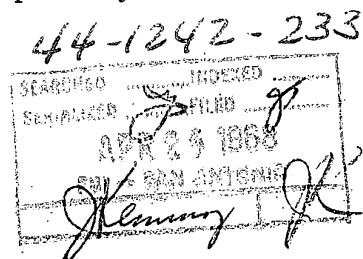
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Possessing an arrest record dating back to 1949, Ray has been convicted of burglary, armed robbery and forging United States Postal Money Orders.

A 40-year-old white male, reportedly born in Illinois on [redacted] Ray is approximately 5'10" tall, weighs from 163 to 174 pounds, has blue eyes and short brown hair. He has a nervous habit of tugging at an ear lobe and his left ear protrudes noticeably.

Described as a "loner and "drifter," with a "rural" quality in his speech, Ray has worked as a baker, laborer and color matcher. He has taken dancing lessons and completed a course at a school of bartending.

Consider Ray armed and extremely dangerous. Report any information concerning him to the nearest FBI office.



UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : All Investigative Employees

DATE: April 22, 1968

FROM : Director, FBI

SUBJECT: JAMES EARL RAY, aka - FUGITIVE
I.O. #4182; W. F. #442-A
CIVIL RIGHTS - CONSPIRACY
INTERSTATE FLIGHT - ROBBERY
"TEN MOST WANTED FUGITIVES" PROGRAM
RELEASE DATE: SATURDAY P.M., APRIL 20, 1968

THE CRIMES: Ray escaped from the Missouri State Penitentiary, Jefferson City, Missouri, on April 23, 1967, while serving a 20-year sentence for armed robbery and operating a motor vehicle without the owner's permission. He subsequently allegedly conspired, under the alias Eric Starvo Galt, to violate the civil rights of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., shot to death on the balcony of a Memphis, Tennessee, motel on April 4, 1968.

THE CRIMINAL: A 40-year-old white native of Illinois, who is known as a "loner" and "drifter" and has taken elaborate steps to establish a false identity, Ray has an extensive criminal record, including convictions for burglary, robbery and forging U. S. Postal Money Orders. Outstanding characteristics include a straight narrow nose, straight and even teeth, a noticeably protruding left ear and a nervous habit of tugging at an ear lobe. He has taken dancing lessons, attended bartending school, enrolled in a correspondence course in locksmithing and traveled widely in a 1966 Mustang recovered in Atlanta, Georgia, a week after Dr. King's murder. Ray likes western and country music, drinks vodka and beer and has worked as a baker, laborer and color matcher.

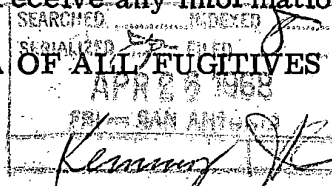
PROCESS: A Federal warrant issued at Jefferson City, Missouri, on July 20, 1967, charges Ray with unlawful interstate flight to avoid confinement for robbery. Another Federal warrant, issued at Birmingham, Alabama, on April 17, 1968, charges Ray, as Eric Starvo Galt, with conspiring to interfere with a Constitutional Right of a citizen.

"TEN MOST WANTED FUGITIVES": Ray is a special addition to the list of "Ten Most Wanted Fugitives." The list as of Saturday p. m., April 20, 1968, was:

John William Clouser	I. O. #3837	Charles Lee Herron	I. O. #4163
Howard Callens Johnson	I. O. #4039	George Edward Wells	I. O. #4175
George Benjamin Williams	I. O. #4072	David Evans	I. O. #4177
Gordon Dale Ervin	I. O. #4087	Franklin Allen Paris	I. O. #4178
Carmen Raymond Gagliardi	I. O. #4101	David Stuart Neff	I. O. #4179
James Earl Ray	I. O. #4182		

THEY ARE ALL ARMED AND DANGEROUS. If you receive any information, give it at once to your SAC or appropriate supervisor.

PHOTOGRAPHS, FINGERPRINTS AND DESCRIPTIVE DATA OF ALL FUGITIVES ON THE LIST ARE ON THE REVERSE SIDE.





DAVID EVANS, also known as:
"Pee Wee."
N; born [redacted] 5'7-5'8"; 140-150 lbs;
med bld; blk hair; brn eyes; lt comp;
ooo - lab, upholsterer. Wanted by FBI
for BANK ROBBERY and UNLAWFUL FLIGHT TO
AVOID PROSECUTION (Burglary, Larceny,
and Receiving Stolen Goods).
IDENTIFICATION ORDER #-4177
FBI#-388 901 E
DATE PHOTO TAKEN: 1966

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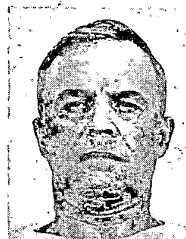


CHARLES LEES HERRON, also known as:
Lee Jones.
N; born [redacted] (?); 5'7"-5'8"; 145-
150 lbs; sldr bld; blk hair; brn eyes;
dk comp; ooo - clerk. Wanted by FBI
for UNLAWFUL FLIGHT TO AVOID PROSECU-
TION (Murder; Assault with Intent to
Commit Murder).
IDENTIFICATION ORDER #-4163
FBI#-313 926 G
DATE PHOTO TAKEN: UNKNOWN

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GEORGE EDWARD WELLS, also known as:
George W. Cox, Lloyd Kuczmarski.
W; born [redacted] 5'8"; 165-175 lbs;
med bld; brn hair, gr; brn eyes; med
comp; ooo - maintenance worker, painter.
Wanted by FBI for UNLAWFUL FLIGHT TO
AVOID PROSECUTION (Armed Robbery);
INTERSTATE TRANSPORTATION OF STOLEN
PROPERTY.
IDENTIFICATION ORDER #-4175
FBI#-1 467 173
DATE PHOTO TAKEN: 1967

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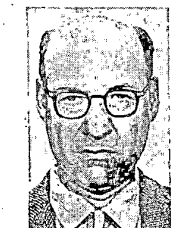
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CARMEN RAYMOND GAGLIARDI, also known as: 17 M 29 W IOM
Carmelo Raimondo Gagliardi (true name), I 32 W OOI 20
Carmen R. Gagliardi.
W; born [redacted] 5'10 1/2"; 185-200 lbs;
hvy bld; blk hair; brn eyes; med comp;
ooo - lab. Wanted by FBI for UNLAWFUL
FLIGHT TO AVOID PROSECUTION (Murder).
IDENTIFICATION ORDER #-4101
FBI#-566 944 D
DATE PHOTO TAKEN: 1965



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GEORGE BENJAMIN WILLIAMS, 23 M 21 W IMO AMP Ref: 22
also known as: Allen I 31 W OOO 19 31
Benjamin Colby, Ben Jackson,
George Benjamin William.
W; born [redacted] 5'6"; 155 lbs;
med bld; brn hair, gr, balding;
bl eyes; rdy comp; rt ring fnger
amp; ooo - constr worker, dairy
worker, mech, miner, pipe fitter.
Wanted by FBI for BANK ROBBERY.
IDENTIFICATION ORDER #-4072
FBI#-497 062
DATE PHOTO TAKEN: 1965



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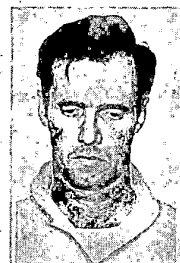


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JAMES EARL RAY, also known as:
Eric Starvo Galt, W. C. Herron,
Harvey Lowmyer, James McBride,
John Willard "Jim".
W; born [redacted] 5'10"; 163-174 lbs;
med bld; brn hair, poss cut short; bl
eyes; med comp; ooo - baker, color matcher,
lab. Wanted by FBI for CONSPIRING TO
INTERFERE WITH A CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHT OF
A CITIZEN AND UNLAWFUL FLIGHT TO AVOID
CONFINEMENT (Robbery).
IDENTIFICATION ORDER #-4182
FBI#-405 942 G
DATE PHOTO TAKEN: 1968



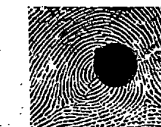
FRANKLIN ALLEN PARIS, also known as: MLM
Franklin Allen Morrison, Al Paris, MLM
Allie Paris, Frank Allen Paris, 11 S 1 U OOO 14 Ref: 9
Franklin Allen Paris. M 1 U OOI 12 1
W; born [redacted] 6'2"; 190-210 lbs;
med bld; brn hair; brn eyes; med comp;
ooo - horse trader, horse trainer,
rancher. Wanted by FBI for UNLAWFUL
FLIGHT TO AVOID PROSECUTION (Burglary).
IDENTIFICATION ORDER #-4178
FBI#-595 084 A
DATE PHOTO TAKEN: 1966



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HOWARD CALLENS JOHNSON, also known as: W
"Dirty Red." W
N; born [redacted] (?); 5'9"; 160-170
lbs; med bld; blk hair; brn eyes;
med comp, freckled; ooo - brickmason,
carpenter, lab. Wanted by FBI for
UNLAWFUL FLIGHT TO AVOID PROSECUTION
(Murder).
IDENTIFICATION ORDER #-4039
FBI#-1 501 726
DATE PHOTO TAKEN: 1969



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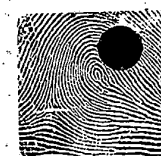
JOHN WILLIAM CLOUSER, also known as: MML
Jack Clouser, John William Clouser, MML
Chuck A. Williams. 25 L 1 R OOO 8
W; born [redacted] 5'9"; 175-200 lbs;
stky bld; blond hair, may be dyed blk;
bl eyes; rdy comp; ooo - clerical
worker, stock clerk. Wanted by FBI
for INTERSTATE TRANSPORTATION OF
STOLEN MOTOR VEHICLE.
IDENTIFICATION ORDER #-3837
FBI#-229 125 C
DATE PHOTO TAKEN: 1963



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GORDON DALE ERVIN, also known as: 17 I 31 W III 10
Dale Ervin. I 26 R OMM 9
W; born [redacted] 5'11"-6'0"; 170 lbs;
med bld; brn hair; bl eyes; med comp;
ooo - carpenter, lifeguard, mach shop
worker, locomotive fireman, salesman,
shipyard worker, typist. Wanted by
FBI for UNLAWFUL FLIGHT TO AVOID
CONFINEMENT (Armed Robbery).
IDENTIFICATION ORDER #-4087
FBI#-290 533 A
DATE PHOTO TAKEN: 1965



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DAVID STUART NEFF, also known as: LL
Steven Andrews, Solomon Baker, Steven IM
Greene, George Medina, David J. Neff, 19 O 17 W IOO 18
David Stewart Neff, Donald O'Brien. L 19 W OOO 16
W; born [redacted] 5'8"-5'9"; 190-200 lbs;
hvy bld; brn hair; brn eyes; med comp;
ooo - horse trainer, lab, painter,
plumber, surveyor. Wanted by FBI for
BANK ROBBERY.
IDENTIFICATION ORDER #-4179
FBI#-524 874 D
DATE PHOTO TAKEN: 1965



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TO DIRECTOR; ATLANTIC; BIRMINGHAM; MEMPHIS; NEW ORLEANS;
LOS ANGELES; SAN ANTONIO
FROM HOUSTON 44-1509

MURKIN

RE: LOUIS LOMAX - CHARLES STEIN

REMYTEL LAST P.M.

LOMAX AND STEIN ARRIVED HOUSTON FOUR FIFTEEN P.M.,
APRIL TWENTYFIVE LAST AND ACCORDING TO EVERETT COLLIER,
VP AND EDITOR, HOUSTON CHRONICLE, LOMAX AND STEIN SEARCHED
FOR APPROXIMATELY FIVE HOURS WITH A CHRONICLE REPORTER
ATTEMPTING TO LOCATE THE PHONE BOOTH WHERE SUBJECT RAY
ALLEGEDLY MADE CALL ON EVENING OF DEC. SIXTEEN, LAST.
SEARCH WAS UNSUCCESSFUL, AND LOMAX AND STEIN ARE GOING TO
MAKE ANOTHER SEARCH THIS MORNING. LOMAX HAS REQUESTED
THE CHRONICLE TO PHOTOGRAPH THE PHONE BOOTH IF SAME IS LOCATED.
MR. COLLIER, ALTHOUGH COOPERATING SO FAR WITH LOMAX AND
STEIN, IN NOT SURE WHAT HIS POSITION WILL BE IN THIS REGARD.

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SINCE HE DOES NOT BELIEVE STEIN CAN BE TOO ACCURATE IN LOCATING THE PHONE BOOTH. STEIN WAS DESCRIBED BY THE CHRONICLE REPORTER AS EXTREMELY "VAGUE" AND NOT SURE OF THE AREA WHERE THE CALL WAS ALLEGEDLY MADE. IT IS BELIEVED THAT IF THE PHONE BOOTH IS NOT LOCATED LOMAX AND STEIN WILL FLY TO SAN ANTONIO LATER TODAY AND START LOOKING FOR THE PHONE BOOTH FROM SAN ANTONIO TOWARD HOUSTON ON INTERSTATE TEN. COLLIER ALSO ADVISED THAT NORTH AMERICAN NEWSPAPER ALLIANCE (NANA) HAS BEEN TRYING TO GET IN TOUCH WITH LOMAX TODAY FOR THE PURPOSE OF WRITING A STORY TODAY ABOUT STEIN'S TRIP FROM LOS ANGELES TO NEW ORLEANS WITH RAY, AND HIS ASSOCIATION WITH RAY. COLLIER STATED HE THOUGHT NANA WAS CONTROLLED BY DREW PEARSON, THE COLUMNIST.

ALTHOUGH A CHECK OF THE POSSIBLE TELEPHONE BOOTHS IN THE HOUSTON VICINITY HAS FAILED TO LOCATE A LONG DISTANCE CALL ON DEC. SIXTEEN LAST, IT WAS DETERMINED THAT A CALL WAS MADE ON THE EVENING OF DEC. SEVENTEEN LAST FROM A

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TELEPHONE BOOTH IN THE AREA DESCRIBED BY STEIN TO NUMBER
THREE ONE EIGHT DASH FOUR SEVEN SEVEN ZERO SIX ONE SIX,
LAKE CHARLES, LA.

NEW ORLEANS SHOULD IMMEDIATELY CHECK OUT THIS TELEPHONE
NUMBER.

BUREAU WILL BE KEPT ADVISED OF DEVELOPMENTS.
END.

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10-16 AM 4-26-68 URGENT DAO

TO SAN ANTONIO

FROM NEW ORLEANS 157-10673

MURKIN.

RE: TEXAS LICENSE N K R FOUR TWO FIVE. LOOK-ALIKE.

BERT HYDE, REPORTER, STATES ITEM NEWSPAPER, NEW ORLEANS
TELEPHONICALLY ADVISED APRIL TWENTYSIX INSTANT, THAT OLIVER
SALINOVICH, PORT SULPHUR, LA., OYSTER MAN, ADVISED HIM THAT
ON FRIDAY, APRIL NINETEEN LAST, HE OBSERVED A PERSON DRIVING
A GREEN OLDSMOBILE WITH BLACK VINYL TOP, TEXAS LICENSE N K R
FOUR TWO FIVE, WHO LOOKED LIKE THE PHOTOGRAPH OF JAMES EARL RAY.

IMMEDIATELY CHECK OUT, DETERMINE OWNER, LOCATION,
DRIVERS INFORMATION, AND OTHER INFORMATION WHICH WILL ASSIST
IN ELIMINATING THE DRIVER OF INSTANT CAR.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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TO EL PASO, HOUSTON, SAN ANTONIO

FROM DIRECTOR 44-38861 1P

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DURING AUTOMOBILE TRIP OF SUBJECT RAY AND CHARLES STEIN DEPART-
ING LOS ANGELES ON DECEMBER FIFTEEN SIXTY-SEVEN AND ARRIVING NEW
ORLEANS ON DECEMBER SEVENTEEN SIXTY-SEVEN, SUBJECT RAY MADE
APPROXIMATELY SIX TELEPHONE CALLS FROM VARIOUS PAY STATIONS IN TEXAS.

THEY TRAVELED VIA AUTOMOBILE ON INTERSTATE TEN THROUGH EL PASO
TO VAN HORN, TEXAS, AND WENT SOUTH ON ROUTE NINETY TO SAN ANTONIO,
THEN ROUTE NINETY OR INTERSTATE TEN TO HOUSTON, TEXAS, AND TO NEW
ORLEANS.

EACH OFFICE SHOULD CHECK WITH TELEPHONE COMPANY AND DETERMINE
THE LONG DISTANCE CALLS PLACED AT EACH PUBLIC TELEPHONE ON THE
ABOVE MENTIONED ROUTES DURING PERIOD OF DECEMBER FIFTEEN, SIXTEEN AND
SEVENTEEN, SIXTY-SEVEN AND HAVE EACH CALL CHECKED OUT. ARMED AND
DANGEROUS. COPIES MAILED BIRMINGHAM, MEMPHIS AND LOS ANGELES.

END

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given lead.*

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Transmit the following in _____
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(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
FROM: SAC, SAN ANTONIO (44-1242) (P)
RE: MURKIN
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RE CARS STOLEN FROM STATE OF GEORGIA

Re Atlanta airtel to the Bureau, 4/22/68.

In connection with the leads set forth in referenced airtel the following investigation was conducted by the San Antonio Division:

On 4/23/68 GEORGE HETZEL, NCIC Section, and DON OVERSTREET, Modus Operandi Section, Texas Department of Public Safety, Austin, Texas, advised that no central index is maintained by Department of Public Safety that will reflect stolen cars recovered in Texas that were reported stolen in the State of Georgia.

HETZEL stated that a normal check on a recovered automobile with an out-of-state license would be with the Motor Vehicle Division or State Police of the state of registration. That agency should have records of all stolen vehicles recovered that were registered by that agency.

3 - Bureau
2 - Atlanta (44-2386)
1 - Dallas (Info)
1 - El Paso (Info)
1 - Houston (Info)
2 - Memphis (44-1987)
2 - Savannah
2 - San Antonio
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Approved: _____
Special Agent in Charge

Sent _____ M Per _____

SA 44-1242

On 4/23/68 BRYAN CLARK, National Auto Theft Bureau (NATB), Dallas, Texas, advised SA MANNING CLEMENS of the Dallas Office that a check of his records reflects that no cars have been recovered in Texas since 4-4-68 which were stolen at Georgia which were insured by the insurance companies supporting NATB.

The 26 files of the San Antonio Division in which San Antonio is origin and which have been opened since 4/4/68 were reviewed with negative results concerning cars recovered which were stolen in Georgia with the following exception:

In a case entitled "Pvt. E-2 JAMES ALLEN BOHNE; Pvt. E-2 WILLIAM HARRY BULLARD, III; Pvt. E-2 ROBERT BRUCE CLAUHSEN; SP/4 THOMAS EDWARD GIBBS; Pvt. E-2 DAVID EDWARD PRIME, ITSMV", San Antonio file 26-26817, Savannah file 26-24751, it was reported that subjects went AWOL from Fort Stewart, Georgia, 4/5/68, and used a 1964 black Ford pickup to travel to Texas where they were apprehended and released to military control. However, it is not believed necessary to conduct any further investigation in that particular case inasmuch as subjects reportedly went AWOL on 4/5/68 from Fort Stewart, Georgia, and therefore their true identifies known.

Atlanta and Savanna, if not already done, should consider checking with NCIC and Motor Vehicle Division or State Police in Georgia to obtain identities of cars stolen in Georgia and reportedly recovered elsewhere. Further, those offices who have not already done so should consider review of all 26 files opened in those offices since 4/4/68.

San Antonio is conducting no further investigation in this phase of this case, UAC.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SAN ANTONIO (44-1242)

DATE: 4/24/68

FROM : SA DOUGLAS M. PRICE

SUBJECT: JAMES EARL RAY
(MURKIN)
CIVIL RIGHTS

ON 4/23/68 the following persons were contacted by this agent and were unable to provide any worthwhile information:

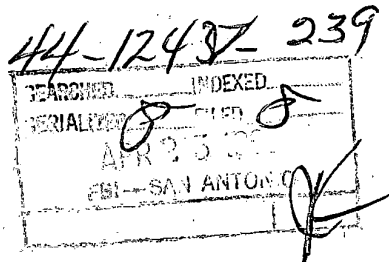
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC SAN ANTONIO (137-109)

DATE: 4/23/68

FROM : SA HAROLD H. CROSSETT

☒ CI ☐ SI ☐ R (Prob)

☐ PCI ☐ PSI ☐ R

SUBJECT: SA 603-C

☐

Dates of Contact	
4/23/68	
Titles and File #s on which contacted	
MURKIN	44-1242
OSCAR SAENZ, aka - FUG UEAP-MURDER	88-2106
Purpose and results of contact	
<input type="checkbox"/> NEGATIVE	44-1242
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> POSITIVE	Informant was furnished Wanted Flyers printed in the Spanish language and was requested to distribute them to various departments of the Mexican Customs Service.
<input type="checkbox"/> STATISTIC	
88-2106	Informant stated he had determined that the subject as Roberto Hernandez is no longer employed by Transportes Urbanos in Reynosa, Mexico but is still residing at the same place in Reynosa. He will attempt to determine subject's present employment.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating Excellent
Coverage 44, 88	

1 - 137-109

1 - 44-1242 ✓

2 - 88-2106

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44-1242-240

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Sammy

(137-1837)

4/24/68

James M. Wilson
Alfredo Gonzalez

3/25; 4/24/68

Murkin

44-1242

3/25/68 Bureau forwarding as to 15, 26 + 31
matters discussed with PCI, who denied
knowledge any violations by anyone.

4/24/68. PCI furnished WF of
James Earl Ray with request he
be alert. PCI advised photo not
familiar.

Good

15, 25
26, 44

1-137-1837

① 44-1242

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Kennedy	

(137-510)

4/23/68

James R. Walden
SA 627-C

4/18, 23/68

Murkin

HH-1242

4/18/68 - CI was contacted to determine if
he had seen any individual resembling
photo of Eric Starvo Galt. CI advised such
photo not familiar to him.

4/23/68 CI furnished WF of
James Earl Ray with req. info
be immediately furnished.

Excellent

25, 26, 31, 44, 76

1-137-510

① HH-1242

44-1242-242

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Kenny	

(137-1548)
James R. Wilson
SA 794-C

4/23/68
✓

Murkin 4/23/68

44-1742

✓ CI furnished w.t. of James Earl Ray
with request he be alert for his
appearance.

✓ Very Good 25, 26, 44, Fugo
1- 137-1548
①- 44-1242

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Kennedy	

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Memorandum

TO : SAC SAN ANTONIO (137-88)

DATE: 4/23/68

FROM : SA HAROLD H. CROSSETT

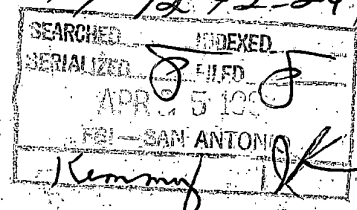
☒ CI ☐ SI ☐ R (Prob)

☐ PCI ☐ PSI ☐ R

SUBJECT: SA 548-C

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Dates of Contact		
4/23/68		
Titles and File #s on which contacted		
MURKIN		44-1242
Purpose and results of contact		
<input type="checkbox"/> NEGATIVE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> POSITIVE <input type="checkbox"/> STATISTIC	Informant was furnished Wanted Flyers pertaining to JAMES EARL RAY which are printed in the Spanish language. Source stated he would distribute them to Mexican Immigration officers in the area of Ciudad Miguel Aleman, Tamaulipas, Mexico.	
Source also stated a search of Mexican Immigration records at Cd. Miguel Aleman from April 1, 1968 to date did not reveal a tourist permit as having been issued under subject's true name or known aliases.		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating Excellent	Coverage 44
1 - 137-88 2 - 44-1242 (3)		



UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC SAN ANTONIO (137-1672)

DATE: 4/24/68

FROM : SA HAROLD H. CROSSETT

☐ CI ☐ SI ☐ R (Prob)

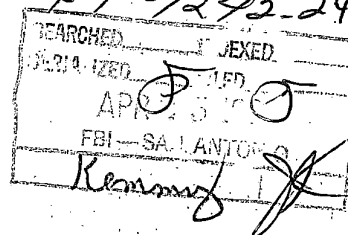
☒ PCI ☐ PSI ☐ R

SUBJECT: PIO CANCHOLA

☐

Dates of Contact		
4/24/68		
Titles and File #s on which contacted:		
MURKIN	44-1242	
CECILIO OROZCO, JR.	25-21561	
Purpose and results of contact		
<input type="checkbox"/> NEGATIVE	44-1242	PCI was furnished Wanted Flyers pertaining to JAMES EARL RAY which are printed in the Spanish language. He stated he would distribute them among Mexican Immigration and Customs officers at Nuevo Progreso, Tamaulipas, Mexico.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> POSITIVE		
<input type="checkbox"/> STATISTIC		
25-21561	Informant stated he had contacted several sources relative to the location of the subject in Rio Bravo, Tamps., Mexico but had not been successful in obtaining OROZCO'S address as yet.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating	Coverage
	Excellent	25, 44
1 - 137-1672		
2 - 25-21561		
2 - 44-1242		

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(137-1601)

4/24/68

James R Wilson

SA 793-C

3/22, 4/18, 23/68

Wm. Robt. Melue, aka-Fug, ET AL, ITSMV
MURKIN

26-25590
HH-1242

✓ 26-25590 - On 3/22 + 4/18 CI advised check
of contacts, now concluded, developed no info
to indicate subf. Melue visited or entered
Mexico via Matamoros, Mexico

HH-1242 On 4/18 CI shown photo of Eric
Storvo Galt + requested to be alert for
appearance. CI advised photo not familiar.
On 4/23/68 CI was furnished WF of
James Earl Ray.

Excellent

25, 26, 31, HH-Fugs

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1-137-1601

1-26-25590

①-44-1242

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Routing Slip
FD-4 (Rev. 6-14-66)

Date 4/25/68

To:

☐ Director

FILE 44-1242

Att.:

☐ SAC

Title Murkin

☐ ASAC

☐ Supv.

☒ Agent KEMMY

☐ SE

☐ IC

RE: _____

☐ CC

☐ Steno

☐ Clerk

☐ Rotor #: _____

ACTION DESIRED

☐ Acknowledge

☐ Assign _____ Reassign _____

☐ Bring file

☐ Call me

☐ Correct

☐ Deadline _____

☐ Deadline passed

☐ Delinquent

☐ Discontinue

☐ Expedite

☐ File

☐ For information

☐ Handle

☐ Initial & return

☐ Leads need attention

☐ Return with explanation or notation as to action taken.

☐ Open Case

☐ Prepare lead cards

☐ Prepare tickler

☐ Recharge serials

☐ Return assignment card

☐ Return file

☐ Return serials

☐ Search and return

☐ See me

☐ Send Serials _____

to _____

☐ Submit new charge out

☐ Submit report by _____

☐ Type

The following informants were contacted by
SA JOSEPH G. BUTLER, JR., on 4/24/68 with
negative results. FD 209-s have been submitted
for the 137 file only.

SA 742-C

SA 772-C

PCI BILLY JOE TEAGUE

PCI LESTER WALLACE SHELTON

SAQ Butler

See reverse side

Office _____

44-1242-247

FBI WASH DC

729PM URGENT 4/26/68 LCC

TO ALL SACS RELAY MESSAGE PLAN

FROM DIRECTOR 44-38861 1P

MURKIN.

THE MAIN FILE ON KING HAS BEEN REVIEWED AT THE BUREAU AND LEADS ARE BEING SENT OUT CONCERNING PERSONS INVOLVED IN PRIOR THREATS AGAINST KING. THESE LEADS AS WELL AS LEADS CONCERNING ANY OTHER SUSPECTS DEVELOPED FROM ANY SOURCE MUST BE GIVEN IMMEDIATE AND THOROUGH HANDLING ON A TOP PRIORITY BASIS. PROCESS HAS BEEN OBTAINED AGAINST JAMES EARL RAY AND EXTENSIVE INVESTIGATION IS CONTINUING TO LOCATE RAY AND TO ESTABLISH MOTIVE OF CRIME. YOU HAVE BEEN AND WILL BE FURNISHED INFORMATION RELATING TO OTHER POSSIBLE CONSPIRATORS. THESE MUST ALL BE THOROUGHLY RESOLVED NO MATTER HOW REMOTE.

END

JCS SA OK

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*Kennedy advised
8:00 PM 4/26/68
JS*

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AIRTEL

TO: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)
FROM: SAC, SAN ANTONIO (44-1242)
SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re laundry tapes on pillow cases and bed sheet.

Re Memphis airtel to all continental offices dated
4/19/68.

This is to advise that investigation at the five
laundries or cleaners in the San Antonio Division known to
utilize Thermo-Seal marking machines was negative.

San Antonio did obtain some samples of material from
the White Star Laundry in San Antonio and forwarded same to
the Identification Division for possible comparison. This was
done by San Antonio airtel to the Bureau dated 4/23/68.

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JMK:sdh
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FBI SANANTON

FBI-HOUSTON

521PM IMMEDIATE 4-26-68 EVB

TO DIRECTOR (44-38861), EL PASO AND SAN ANTONIO
FROM HOUSTON (44-1509)

MURKIN

REBUTEL, APRIL TWENTYFIVE, LAST INSTRUCTING THAT LONG
DISTANCE CALLS BE CHECKED ON ROUTES THROUGH TEXAS THAT
SUBJECT AND CHARLES STEIN ALLEGEDLY MADE. ALTHOUGH
SOUTHWESTERN BELL TELEPHONE IS INVOLVED IN A STRIKE,
OFFICIALS OF THE COMPANY ARE COOPERATING AND HAVE DETERMINED
THAT THERE ARE APPROXIMATELY ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY TELEPHONE
BOOTHES ALONG THESE ROUTES IN THE HOUSTON DIVISION. THE LONG
DISTANCE CALLS FOR THE PERIOD DEC. FIFTEEN, SIXTEEN AND
SEVENTEEN ARE BEING PULLED AND WILL BE EXAMINED AS SOON AS
POSSIBLE. WHEN NUMBERS ARE AVAILABLE THEY WILL BE CHECKED
BY AGENT PERSONNEL THIS DIVISION SINCE TELEPHONE COMPANY
WILL BE UNABLE TO DESIGNATE ANY EMPLOYEE IN VIEW OF STRIKE.
BUREAU WILL BE ADVISED OF DEVELOPMENTS. AIRMAIL COPIES
TO BIRMINGHAM, MEMPHIS AND LOS ANGELES.

END

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FBI SANANTON

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 TO DALLAS AND EL PASO
 FROM SAN ANTONIO (44-1242) 2P

MURKIN

SAN ANTONIO RECEIVED FOLLOWING TELETYPE FROM DIRECTOR TO EL PASO,
 HOUSTON, AND SAN ANTONIO.

"DURING AUTOMOBILE TRIP OF SUBJECT RAY AND CHARLES STEIN DEPART-
 ING LOS ANGELES ON DECEMBER FIFTEEN SIXTY-SEVEN AND ARRIVING NEW
 ORLEANS ON DECEMBER SEVENTEEN SIXTY-SEVEN, SUBJECT RAY MADE
 APPROXIMATELY SIX TELEPHONE CALLS FROM VARIOUS PAY STATIONS IN TEXAS.

THEY TRAVELED VIA AUTOMOBILE ON INTERSTATE TEN THROUGH EL PASO
 TO VAN HORN, TEXAS, AND WENT SOUTH ON ROUTE NINETY TO SAN ANTONIO,
 THEN ROUTE NINETY OR INTERSTATE TEN TO HOUSTON, TEXAS, AND TO NEW
 ORLEANS.

EACH OFFICE SHOULD CHECK WITH TELEPHONE COMPANY AND DETERMINE
 THE LONG-DISTANCE CALLS PLACED AT EACH PUBLIC TELEPHONE ON THE
 ABOVE MENTIONED ROUTES DURING PERIOD OF DECEMBER FIFTEEN, SIXTEEN AND
 SEVENTEEN, SIXTY-SEVEN AND HAVE EACH CALL CHECKED OUT. ARMED AND
 DANGEROUS. COPIES MAILED BIRMINGHAM, MEMPHIS AND LOS ANGELES."

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Approved:

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SA Kemmy / telephonically

Special Agent in Charge

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Per

Kemmy JK

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AGE TWO

INSTANT DATE, DON BISHOP, MANAGER, GENERAL TELEPHONE COMPANY, DEL RIO, TEXAS, ADVISED ALL RECORDS OF PAY TELEPHONE CALLS MADE IN VAL VERDE COUNTY, TEXAS, THE ONLY COUNTY ON U.S. ROUTE NINETY COVERED BY GENERAL TELEPHONE COMPANY ARE FORWARDED DAILY TO THE GENERAL OFFICE AT SAN ANGELO, TEXAS. MR. BISHOP SUGGESTED THAT KEN COMMONS, SECURITY OFFICER FOR GENERAL TELEPHONE COMPANY BE CONTACTED FOR INFORMATION DESIRED. DALLAS HANDLE AS DIRECTED IN ABOVE TELETYPE.

DON BISHOP FURTHER ADVISED THAT TERRILL COUNTY IS SOUTHWESTERN BELL TELEPHONE AND THE RECORDS FOR THAT COMPANY ARE MAINTAINED IN EL PASO. EL PASO HANDLE RECORD CHECK FOR TERRILL COUNTY.

END

Approved: _____ Sent _____ M Per _____
Special Agent in Charge

FBI SANANTON

FBI LOS ANG

9-20 PM URGENT 4-26-68 REF

TO SAN ANTONIO

FROM LOS ANGELES (44-1574) 2P

MURKIN

JOHN L. WINTON, EIGHT ZERO SIX TWO SAN MATEO AVENUE,
BUENA PARK, CALIFORNIA, ADVISED HE STAYED AT ROOM ONE ONE
FOUR, RAMADA INN, THREE THREE THREE NORTHWEST MILITARY DRIVE,
SAN ANTONIO, RECENTLY AND ON APRIL SEVENTEEN AND APRIL NINETEEN
LAST SAW MALE (NAME UNKNOWN) WHO RESEMBLED JAMES EARL RAY, IN
RESTAURANT IN RAMADA INN. MAN WAS ALONE AND UPON LEAVING
RESTAURANT SECOND TIME WAS SEEN ON BALCONY OF BUILDING ON
OPPOSITE SIDE OF POOL FROM BUILDING CONTAINING ROOM ONE ONE
FOUR. MAN WAS JUDGED TO BE AT ROOM TWO SIX FOUR OR IN AREA
OF ROOMS HAVING NUMBERS IN TWO FIVE ZERO OR TWO SIX ZERO.
DESCRIBED AS WHITE, THIRTY EIGHT TO FORTY TWO, FIVE FEET TEN
INCHES TO FIVE FEET ELEVEN INCHES, ONE HUNDRED FIFTY POUNDS
TO ONE HUNDRED SIXTY FIVE POUNDS. SLENDER BUILD, GREY OR LIGHT
BLUE EYES, BRUNETTE OR POSSIBLY VERY DARK BROWN HAIR WITH GREY
FLECKS. VERY RECEEDING HAIR LINE OVER TEMPLES. HAIR SEEMED THICK

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*Kenny advised
11:30 P.M., 4/26/68
JS*

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AND UNRULY HANGING OVER FOREHEAD, BUT STRAIGHT BACK ON
SIDE. WAS SOFT SPOKEN. NO CAR OBSERVED BY WINTON. ON FIRST
OCCASION MAN WORE DARK GREEN OR OLIVE WINDBREAKER, DARK TROUSERS
AND SPORTS SHIRT WITH PLAID PATTERN. ON SECOND OCCASION WORE
ANGORA GREENISH BLUE SWEATER AND SLACKS. WINTON SAID MAN'S
CHIN, LIPS AND NOSE RESEMBLED NINETEEN SIXTY PROFILE PICTURE
BUT MAN DID NOT HAVE FULL FACE AND FULL CHEEKS OF NINETEEN
SIXTY EIGHT WANTED NOTICE PICTURE AS HAD MORE SUNKEN FACE
WITH HIGH CHEEK BONES.

SAN ANTONIO ENDEAVOR ESTABLISH IDENTIFICATION.

AIR MAIL COPIES TO BIRMINGHAM AND MEMPHIS.

END

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9-56 PM URGENT 4-26-68 REF

TO DIRECTOR (44-38861), MEMPHIS (44-1987), BIRMINGHAM (44-1740),

ATLANTA (44-2386), NEW ORLEANS, ST. LOUIS, SAN ANTONIO,

EL PASO (157-186) AND KANSAS CITY

✓ FROM LOS ANGELES (44-1574) 2P

MURKIN

RE TELEPHONE BOOTHS ST. FRANCIS HOTEL, LOS ANGELES.

JAMES EARL RAY RESIDED IN HOLLYWOOD AREA LOS ANGELES FROM NOVEMBER NINETEEN, SIXTY SEVEN, THROUGH MARCH SEVENTEEN, SIXTY EIGHT APPROXIMATELY. NOVEMBER NINETEEN UNTIL APPROXIMATELY JANUARY TWENTY RESIDED NEAR ST. FRANCIS HOTEL AND JANUARY TWENTY ONE TO MARCH SEVENTEEN RESIDED THERE. TOLL NUMBERS FROM TELEPHONE BOOTHS AT THE HOTEL ARE BEING ANALYZED FOR ANY POSSIBLE CALLS BY SUBJECT WHILE IN LOS ANGELES AREA. FOLLOWING NUMBERS HAVE BEEN DETERMINED TO DATE.

DALLAS -

DECEMBER THIRTY ONE, SIXTY SEVEN, DALLAS, SIX NINETEEN PM, THREE SEVEN FOUR DASH TWO EIGHT FIVE EIGHT.

DECEMBER TWENTY SEVEN, SIXTY SEVEN, HENDERSON, EIGHT TWENTY FIVE PM, SIX FIVE SEVEN DASH TWO SIX FIVE

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SA Kenny
advised 1 PM
4-27-68

CCO!
Crawford
adv lead re SA
call

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Kenny
Crawford

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JANUARY NINE, SIXTY EIGHT, EL PASO, SEVEN TWENTY SIX PM,
SEVEN SEVEN TWO DASH TWO SEVEN ONE ONE.

ST. LOUIS -

JANUARY TWENTY, SIXTY EIGHT, ST. LOUIS, THREE FIFTY SEVEN PM,
THREE SIX ONE DASH NINE SIX ZERO ONE.

JANUARY TWO, SIXTY EIGHT, OVERLAND, NINE FORTY SEVEN PM,
FOUR TWO THREE DASH TWO THREE FOUR EIGHT.

NEW ORLEANS -

DECEMBER TWENTY TWO, SIXTY SEVEN, NEW ORLEANS, SEVEN FORTY
EIGHT PM, FIVE TWO THREE DASH ZERO NINE THREE ZERO.

SAN ANTONIO -

FEBRUARY TWENTY NINE, SIXTY EIGHT, SAN ANTONIO, TWELVE
TWENTY SEVEN PM, TWO TWO SEVEN DASH EIGHT ZERO SEVEN EIGHT.

TICKET REFLECTS CALLER RUSSELL JOHNSON.

EACH OFFICE SHOULD ESTABLISH IDENTITY OF SUBSCRIBER AND
IDENTITY OF CALLER AND ANY INFORMATION THAT MIGHT BE GAINED
CONCERNING RAY IF HE MADE ANY OF THESE CALLS.

END

LMK

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Greer, David Dewitt
Greer, Dave

W - 4-5-36

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1 aA 00

FBI San Antonio Texas 4-18-68

A search of the fingerprints on the above individual has failed to disclose
prior arrest data.

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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Kennedy JK

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Date: 4-25-68

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To: SAC'S, San Antonio (44-1242) - Enc.
Memphis (44-1987)

✓ From: Director, FBI (44-38861)

MURKIN

Re San Antonio airtel dated 4-19-68, submitting registration card in the name of Donald D. Tanner, Q256.

One latent palm print of value was developed on the registration card. This latent palm print was compared with latent palm prints previously reported in this case, but no identification was effected. There are no palm prints in our Identification Division files for James Earl Ray, FBI #405942G.

Q256 is enclosed.

Laboratory report separate.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC (44-1242)

FROM : SA FREDERICK A. SLIGHT

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 4-24-68

On 4-23-68, JOSE GOMEZ, Deskclerk, Southern Hotel, Matamoros Street, Laredo, Texas advised that he had seen a picture of the subject in the newspaper and advised that an individual who closely resembled the subject had checked in to the Southern Hotel on 4-15-68. The register showed that he was ROBERT D. LUTTEH of Topeka, Kansas. He was residing in room 305 but had no baggage.

Mr. GOMEZ was shown IO #4182 and he stated that the photos on this IO did not as closely resemble the ~~subject~~ individual at the hotel as much as those in the newspaper and he stated that he would like to take another look at the individual at the Hotel and he would advise.

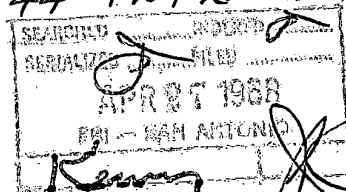
On 4-24-68, JOSE GOMEZ stated that he had observed LUTTEH but could not be positive if he were identical.

On 4-24-68, ROBERT DALE LUTTJOHANN, room 305, Southern Hotel advised that he was born [redacted] in Topeka, Kansas and was in Laredo on vacation. He stated that he was in Laredo for a vacation and he had never been in trouble with authorities.

His left and right ring finger was examined and it was noted that both of these fingers had loops so he could not be identical with the subject.

Above for information only.

FAS:fas
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5010-108-01

Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan

April 25, 1968

AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

TO: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)
FROM: SAC, MOBILE (157-2627) (P)
SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Atlanta teletype 12:38 p.m. 4/22/68.

The following investigation was conducted telephonically by SA DAN O. STEPHENS at Montgomery, Alabama, on 4/22/68:

KATHLEEN DEININGER, Motor Vehicle Division, Ala. Dept. of Revenue, advised that 1968 license number 4-4163 was issued 11/4/67 to EDDIE JEAN GRIFFIN, Route 1, Box 191, Billingsley, Alabama, for a 1961 Ford, two door, VIN 1A32W174843. No duplicate license has been issued for this vehicle.

GERTRUDE KING, Driver's License Division, Alabama Department of Public Safety, advised that she was unable to locate a record identifiable with above individual.

H. H. CARR, Radio Operator, AST, advised that he was unable to locate stolen report for this car.

JAMES LOCKHART, Deputy Sheriff, Autauga County SO, Prattville, Alabama, advised that he resides in the Billingsley, Alabama, area and is familiar with most residents in that area. He stated that EDDIE JEAN GRIFFIN, Route 1, Billingsley, a Negro male, owns a 1961 Ford. He further advised that GRIFFIN is employed by Bushog, Manufacturing Company, Selma, Alabama and commutes to work there daily. He also advised that he knows of

2 - Memphis
1 - Atlanta (44-2386)
① - San Antonio (Info)
2 - Mobile
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Runny

MO - 157-2627

no other person by that name in Billingsley area.

The following investigation was conducted by SA ROBERT L. FRYE at Selma, Alabama on 4/23/68:

EDDIE JEAN GRIFFIN, Route 1, Billingsley, Alabama, advised that he owns a 1961 Ford, and produced a tag receipt indicating that 1968 Alabama license number 4-4163 was issued for his car. He further advised that this car was in his possession in Autauga County, Alabama, during 4/21/68, and, to his knowledge, it has never been in Texas.

BUDDY HOWORTH, Personnel Department, Bushog Mfg. Company, advised that his records reflect that GRIFFIN reported for work 7:00 a.m. on 4/22/68.

In view of fact that car reportedly seen in San Antonio late 4/21/68, is owned by a Negro male who stated he has not been in Texas, it would appear that the anonymous caller gave incorrect license number to San Antonio office. Accordingly, no further investigation is being made and no insert is being submitted concerning this incident UAC.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC (44-1242)

FROM : SA FREDERICK A. SLIGHT

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 4-26-68

On 4-23-68, the following were furnished I.O.'s and Wanted Flyers on JAMES EARL RAY and all advised that they would immediately notify of any information received:

AT LAREDO, TEXAS:

PORFIRIO FLORES, Sheriff, Webb County
COP WILLIAM V. WEEKS, Laredo PD.
CHARLES FEARY, Assistant Chief, USBP
TOM BARR, Assistant Chief, USI&NS
PHILLIP MEDELLIN, Supervisor, U.S. Customs
AMELIA GONZALEZ, U.S. Customs.
OREN GENE PUGH, Customs Agency Service

AT NUEVO LAREDO, MEXICO:

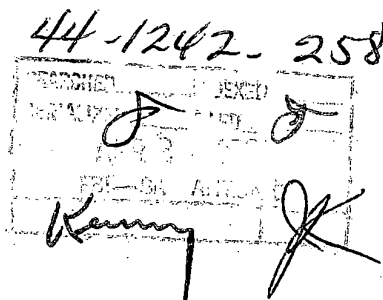
GILBERTO CAZARES GARZA, Chief, Mexican Immigration
JESUS CHAVEZ, Mexican Customs
DAVID RANGEL, Investigator, Federal Judicial Police
RODOLFO GARCIA, Chief of Detectives
SA 496-C
SA 762-C

All advised that they would make copies available to their personnel and stops were placed.

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TELETYPE

URGENT

TO: DIRECTOR AND SAC, EL PASO
FROM: SAC, DALLAS (44-2649)

MURKIN. CIVIL RIGHTS.

RE PHONE CALLS BY RAY ENROUTE FROM LOS ANGELES TO NEW ORLEANS, AND EL PASO TELETYPE TO THE BUREAU AND DALLAS, TODAY.

ROBERT METTS, SECURITY SUPERVISOR, SOUTHWESTERN BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY, LUBBOCK, TEXAS, ADVISED IT WILL BE POSSIBLE FOR HIS OFFICE TO DETERMINE LONG DISTANCE PHONE CALLS MADE FROM PAY PHONES AT MARFA, ALPINE, AND MARATHON, TEXAS, BUT THIS PROJECT WILL REQUIRE EXTENSIVE WORK. HE STATED PAY PHONES ARE BILLED AT VARYING PERIODS OF TIME, FROM SEVEN TO ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY DAYS, DEPENDING ON VOLUME OF CALLS PLACED AT INDIVIDUAL PAY PHONES. HE STATED HIS OFFICE WOULD IMMEDIATELY BEGIN CHECKING THE REQUIRED INFORMATION, BUT THAT IT WOULD NOT BE POSSIBLE TO HAVE THIS INFORMATION AVAILABLE UNTIL LATE APRIL TWENTY NINE NEXT, OR EARLY APRIL THIRTY NEXT. HE SAID IN

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**ADDITION THAT SANDERSON, TEXAS, WHICH IS ON THE ROUTE TAKEN BY
SUBJECT, IS ALSO HANDLED IN THE LUBBOCK DIVISION OF SOUTHWESTERN
BELL, AND THAT HE WOULD ALSO HAVE PAY PHONES FOR THIS LOCATION
REVIEWED AND HAVE ALL LONG DISTANCE INFORMATION FOR THE
PERTINENT PERIOD AVAILABLE AT THE SAME TIME.**

**DALLAS AT LUBBOCK: WILL FOLLOW THIS MATTER AND REPORT
RESULTS AS SOON AS RECEIVED FROM SOUTHWESTERN BELL.**

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

AIRMAIL COPIES SENT MEMPHIS AND SAN ANTONIO.

PENDING.

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Date: 4/25/68

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plain text or code)Via AIRTEL _____
(Priority or Method of Mailing)

TO: ALL CONTINENTAL OFFICES

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

RE: MURKIN
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Re ME airtel to All Continental Offices, 4/19/68, requesting that all laundries determined to be using Thermo-Seal laundry marking machines be contacted in effort to locate laundry marking "20R-3", and LA teletype to Bureau, 4/18/68.

All offices discontinue efforts to locate inasmuch as laundry mark identified as coming from laundry in Culver City, California, per Los Angeles teletype to Bureau, 4/18/68.

- 1 - Each Continental Office
- 2 - Memphis

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Approved: *R. G. Jensen* Sent _____ M Per _____
Special Agent in Charge

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SAN ANTONIO (44-1242)

FROM : SA JOHN M. KEMMY

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 4/26/68

Re Bureau teletype to all SAC's dated 4/24/68.

Referenced teletype instructs that all offices should conduct appropriate investigation at all "hippie" rooming houses and similar establishments to obtain any information whatsoever concerning JAMES EARL RAY.

On 4/26/68, SA GEORGE F. BULDAIN obtained from the San Antonio Police Department a list of known "hippie"-type establishments and they are set forth as follows:

Love Street Lounge
345 East Commerce
DAVID ADICKES - Manager

Granny's Tea House
3614 Broadway

The Arena
3123 Broadway
(More of a homosexual hangout than "hippie" hangout)

Residence
130 Olympia

Residence
543 Rexford

Good News Folk Club
1910 San Pedro

Residence
423 Byrnes

Residence
1101 N.W. Kings Highway

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Residence
103 New Laredo Highway

Residence
919 Ridgewood

Residence
4121 Red Bud

It is suggested that a lead be set out to conduct the appropriate investigation in accordance with Bureau instructions set forth above. It should be noted that JAMES EARL RAY is subject of Wanted Flier No. 442A and the Agent handling these leads should have at least one copy of this wanted flier in his possession.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC (44-1242)

FROM : SA FREDERICK A. SLIGHT

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 4-25-68

On the evening of 4-24-68, SA JOHN H. MILLER, Legat Staff, Monterrey, Mexico telephonically advised that he had determined the following information:

That bus number 362 which departed Nuevo Laredo, Mexico on 4-6-68 arrived in Monterrey, Mexico with the following passengers, among others:

Name	Ticket number	Seat number
STICKLEBAULT	4905	6
	4906	7
	4909	11
G. SMITH	4907	8
Mr. ASCHABER	13512	14
	13513	15
A.D. HALL	13511	21
HAZEL WINTERBWM	8872	32
LUCY DAVIS	8873	33
DORA NEAVES	8877	36
JOSEFINA NEAVES	8876	37
SR. LA GRANGE	2320	38
	2321	39

On 4-25-68, GILBERTO CAZARES GARZA, Chief, Mexican Immigration advised that a review of his records contained the following information:

GRAHAM ROBERT SMITH, British Citizen and holder of British Passport, had entered Mexico at Nuevo Laredo, Mexico on 4-6-68 by autobus. He was issued tourist document F.M. 5-801233. He was 22 years old, single, a student in Houston, Texas and he was destined for Mexico D.F.

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cc: Austin lead to Chapman
Farmer

ALWIS ASEHAWER, Canadian Citizen and holder of Canadian passport, entered Mexico at Nuevo Laredo, Texas by autobus on 4-6-68. He was issued Mexican tourist card F.M. 5-8301602. He was 34 years old, married, employed in Toronto, Canada and going to Mexico D.F.

ALAN DENNISON HALL, Australian Citizen, entered Mexico at Nuevo Laredo, Mexico on 4-6-68 by autobus. He was issued Mexican Tourist Card F.M. 5-7413836. He was 47 years old, married, a University Professor from Austin, Texas and destined for Mexico D.F.

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CAZARES advised that his records reviewed from 4-5 through 4-7-68 did not show any reference to any of the other individuals.

The above information was telephonically furnished SA MILLER in Monterrey, Mexico on 4-25-68. He advised that he had received a passenger list from Transporte Del Norte Bus Company and the previously furnished list of individuals apparently referred to bus number 359 which was made up in Monterrey, Mexico and left Monterrey, Mexico at 7:00am on 4-6-68 via San Luis Potisi, Mexico. Drivers on this bus were listed as MENDOSA & VILLARREAL. Driver of bus #362 which departed Nuevo Laredo, Mexico and arrived in Monterrey was listed as MANUEL GARCIA.

LEAD:

SAN ANTONIO

AT AUSTIN, TEXAS:

Will attempt to locate and interview Professor ALAN DENNISON HALL, University professor in Austin and exhibit I.O. # 4182 to him to ascertain if that individual could have been a passenger on the bus to Mexico, D.F. It should be noted that the complainant in this matter, ANGEL STICKLEBAULT stated that the individual he identified as being identical with I.O. # 4182 departed the bus in San Luis Potisi, Mexico.

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11:35PM URGENT 4-26-68 REF

TO DIRECTOR (44-38861), MEMPHIS, BIRMINGHAM, ATLANTA, NEW ORLEANS,
KANSAS CITY, MILWAUKEE, HOUSTON AND SAN ANTONIO
FROM LOS ANGELES (44-1574) 7P

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RE PURCHASE OF HANDCUFFS BY SUBJECT:

HERBERT F. GREENBERG, OWNER, INTERNATIONAL POLICE EQUIPMENT
CO., LOS ANGELES CONTACTED APRIL TWO SIX, INSTANT. HE MADE
AVAILABLE TYPEWRITTEN LETTER AND ENVELOPE FROM ERIC S. GALT, FIVE
FIVE THREE THREE HOLLYWOOD BLVD., HOLLYWOOD ADDRESSED TO TIFFANY
ENTERPRISES, EIGHT FIVE ONE TWO WHITWORTH DRIVE, LOS ANGELES.
ENVELOPE POSTMARKED PM, FEBRUARY TWO EIGHT, NINETEEN SIXTY EIGHT
AND LETTER DATED SAME. TYPED SIGNATURE OF ERIC S. GALT APPEARS
ON LETTER, AS DOES WRITTEN NAME. OTHER WRITING ON LETTER DONE BY
GREENBERG AT TIME ORDER FILLED. LETTER AND ENVELOPE BEING
FURNISHED FBI LABORATORY.

GREENBERG ADVISED SUBJECT MADE ORIGINAL ORDER FOR HANDCUFFS
TO TIFFANY ENTERPRISES ON FEBRUARY TWO SIX LAST. TIFFANY
DISTRIBUTES TO THEIR CUSTOMERS, OR SOMEONE ON THEIR MAILING LISTS,
BROCHURES OF GREENBERG'S WHICH CONTAINS AD FOR HANDCUFFS.

GREENBERG ADVISED SECRETARY FOR TIFFANY TOLD HIM APRIL TWO FIVE,
LAST, SHE NOW REMEMBERS ORDER. SHE ADVISED GREENBERG THERE WAS

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*SA Kenney advised
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DELAY IN FILLING SUBJECT'S ORDER, AND GALT CALLED HER ON PHONE INSTRUCTING HER TO SEND HANDCUFFS IMMEDIATELY. SHE CALLED GREENBERG SAME DAY, GAVE HIM ORDER OVER PHONE. GREENBERG SENT HANDCUFFS FOLLOWING DAY, MARCH SIXTEEN LAST. SUBJECT PAID FOR PURCHASE BY MONEY ORDER IN AMOUNT OF NINE DOLLARS NINETY EIGHT CENTS. (PREVIOUS INQUIRY WAS CONDUCTED AT TIFFANY TO LOCATE REASON FOR THIS MONEY ORDER WHICH SUBJECT PURCHASED AT BANK OF AMERICA.)

RE RITA AND CHARLES STEIN:

REVIEW OF CALLS MADE LAST NINETY DAYS REFLECTS CALLS AS FOLLOWS FROM NEW ORLEANS OR TO NEW ORLEANS BY STEINS.

MARCH TWELVE, NINE FOUR SEVEN DASH ZERO NINE THREE ZERO, COLLECT FROM NEW ORLEANS.

MARCH TWENTY ONE AND TWENTY THREE, NINE FOUR FIVE DASH SEVEN THREE ONE TWO, COLLECT FROM NEW ORLEANS.

APRIL FOUR, NINE FOUR FIVE DASH SEVEN THREE ONE TWO, CALLED FROM LOS ANGELES.

FOR NO INFORMATION, STEIN PHONE AT LOS ANGELES IS TWO ONE THREE DASH FOUR SIX THREE DASH NINE FOUR FOUR NINE, LISTED IN NAME RITA RODE, FIVE SIX SIX SIX FRANKLIN AVENUE, LOS ANGELES.
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