

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (44-371) (P)

DATE: 5/13/68

FROM : SA JESSE A. ROGERS

SUBJECT: JAMES EARL RAY
MURKIN

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Seattle, Washington
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AIRTEL

TO: SAC, MEMPHIS

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (44-1609)

SUBJECT: MURKIN
CIVIL RIGHTS
(OO: MEMPHIS)

Re Wilshire Book Company.

Re Houston airtel to the Bureau dated 5/11/68.

On 5/15/68, GERARD DORR RAY was eliminated as being identical with subject JAMES EARL RAY. While in Washington, GERARD DORR RAY resided at 327 First Avenue East, Pacific, Washington. His wife is BARBARA JEAN RAY and she received a magazine through Wilshire Book Company under the name B.J. RAY.

SUBJECT RAY SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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1- Houston (INFO)
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Transmit in STATEL by teletype to: APB WASHINGTON
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WANTED

UNKNOWN SUBJECT AKA WILLIAM A. MARSHALL, WHITE, MALE,
AMERICAN, FORTY TO FORTYFIVE, FIVE FEET NINE INCHES, ONE
SIX FIVE TO ONE EIGHT ZERO POUNDS, DARK HAIR, FAIR TO MEDIUM
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27 F 74238208. AUTO OBTAINED BY UNSUB, CHULA VISTA, CALIFORNIA,
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SUBJECT WANTED FOR QUESTIONING, REPEAT QUESTIONING ONLY , NO
WARRANT, BY FBI SAN DIEGO.

CONSIDER ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

IF INFORMATION RECEIVED NOTIFY FBI SEATTLE AT ONCE.

FBI SEATTLE

J.E. MILNES, SAC

JEM;kny

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Coyne *AK*Approved: *JGM/kny*Sent *955*M Per *K*

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APB WASHINGTON

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5:19PM URGENT 5-16-68 JLN

TO DIRECTOR (44-38861), SPRINGFIELD, MEMPHIS (44-1987), SEATTLE,
PORTLAND, SAN FRANCISCO, SACRAMENTO, LOS ANGELES, BUTTE, SALT
LAKE CITY, LAS VEGAS, PHOENIX, ALBUQUERQUE AND EL PASO.
FROM SAN DIEGO (44-387) 3P

MURKIN.

RE WILLIAM A. MARSHALL.

ON MAY FOURTEEN LAST AN INDIVIDUAL GIVING NAME WILLIAM
A. MARSHALL DESCRIBED HEREAFTER SIGNED AN ESCROW CONTRACT
TO PURCHASE A HOME AT BONITA, CALIFORNIA, FOR FIFTYONE THOUSAND
DOLLARS GIVING A PROMISSORY TYPE CHECK FOR FIVE THOUSAND
DOLLARS AND INDICATED HE HAD A SIXTYFIVE THOUSAND DOLLAR
CERTIFIED CHECK IN HIS HOTEL ROOM.

MARSHALL CLAIMED TO BE EMPLOYED FOR INTERNATIONAL
HARVESTOR COMPANY, BLOOMINGTON, ILLINOIS, AND RECENTLY
TRANSFERED TO SAN DIEGO AREA. DESIRED HOUSE SO FAMILY
COULD MOVE TO SAN DIEGO FROM ILLINOIS.

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ON SAME AFTERNOON MARSHALL ATTEMPTED TO PURCHASE AN AUTO AT CHULA VISTA, CALIFORNIA, DISPLAYING ESCROW CONTRACT AND ADVISED HE DESIRED HIS WIFE TO SEE AUTO AND IN VIEW OF ESCROW CONTRACT SHOWING FIVE THOUSAND DOLLAR DEPOSIT SALESMAN GAVE MARSHALL KEYS TO HIS CAR DESCRIBED HEREINAFTER IN APB AND MARSHALL HAS NOT RETURNED CAR.

VARIOUS WITNESSES WHO WERE IN COMPANY OF MARSHALL FOR UP TO THREE HOURS STATE MARSHALL POSSIBLY IDENTICAL JAMES EARL RAY. ONE PERSON ALMOST POSITIVE OF IDENT. TWO OTHERS SAY RESEMBLANCE BETWEEN PHOTOS AND MARSHALL.

FOLLOWING APB COVERING STATE OF CALIFORNIA TRANSMITTED:

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ONLY, NO WARRANT, BY FBI SAN DIEGO. CONSIDER ARMED AND
DANGEROUS." *If information received only, FBI Seattle*

ALL WESTERN OFFICES RECEIVING THIS TELETYPE REQUESTED TO
SUBMIT SIMILAR APB THEIR TERRITORIES.

FOR INFO NO STOLEN REPORT FILED RE AUTO AS CHULA
VISTA, CALIFORNIA, POLICE DEPARTMENT UNABLE TO ACCEPT DUE
TO CIRCUMSTANCES UNDER WHICH MARSHALL OBTAINED AUTOMOBILE.

SPRINGFIELD AT BLOOMINGTON, ILLINOIS, CONDUCT APPROPRIATE
INVESTIGATION TO IDENTIFY WILLIAM A. MARSHALL.

BUREAU MAY DESIRE TO ENTER AUTO IN NCIC.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

OTHER OFFICES ADVISED SEPRATELY.

END

KNY

F B I SEATTLE

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Date: May 16, 1968

Transmit the following in _____

(Type in plaintext or code)

Via AIRTEL _____AIRMAIL _____

(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (44-371) (P)
SUBJECT: MURKIN
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OO: MEMPHIS

RE: KENNETH LEE WADE
MISSOURI STATE PENITENTIARY

Re San Francisco airtel to Bureau, 5/8/68, a copy of which was furnished to Kansas City.

Records of U. S. Penitentiary, McNeil Island, Washington, reflect DONALD RICHARD BUSSMEYER was transferred January 22, 1968, to U. S. Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kansas.

LEAD

KANSAS CITY DIVISION
At U. S. Penitentiary
Leavenworth, Kansas

Will interview DONALD BUSSMEYER, who was arrested with WADE in a series of Los Angeles robberies and who was reported to have been in the Missouri State Penitentiary with JAMES EARL RAY.

Will interview BUSSMEYER to determine if he has any knowledge of RAY's present whereabouts.

3 - Bureau
2 - Kansas City
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2 - Seattle
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Approved: _____
Special Agent in Charge

Sent _____ M Per _____

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To: All SACS
LEGATS, Mexico City
Ottawa

From: Director, FBI (44-38861)

MURKIN

OO: MEMPHIS (44-1987)

In order to cover the possibility that subject may have died since commission of the crime, the U. S. Census Bureau and Department of Health, Education and Welfare were contacted and they advised that no central records of unidentified deceased are maintained by those agencies. It was suggested that each state may maintain such a record in their Bureau of Vital Statistics or similar agency.

There is no known Federal law requiring the maintenance of such information; and it is possible that if any record of unidentified dead is maintained, it would only be maintained at local police departments, morgues, medical facilities, or the like.

Each office covering state capitals should check to ascertain if such records are maintained, and if so, should check records for the period from 4-5-68, to date, for any information which might possibly identify subject Ray with unidentified deceased person over that period.

If there is no central record repository maintained in the various states or nationally in the case of Mexico and Canada, you should, in connection with your contacts with law enforcement agencies on this case or other Bureau matters, make appropriate inquiries relative to

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Airtel to All SACS and LEGATS, Mexico City and Ottawa
RE: MURKIN

unidentified dead for the period beginning 4-5-68; and if fingerprints on such dead are maintained, they should be compared with those on the Identification Order on Ray in order to effect identification or nonidentification. This should be handled in the normal course of business and only reasonable investigation should be pursued along these lines.

The Identification Division has placed an appropriate stop on unidentified deceased inquiries it may receive. If feasible, appropriate offices and Legats, Mexico City and Ottawa should place similar stops with appropriate state, local or national agencies in your territories.

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From: Director, FBI

MURKIN

For your information and investigative assistance, subject James Earl Ray took a bartending course in Los Angeles, California, during the early part of 1968, and prior to his departing Los Angeles, in March of 1968, he made several telephone calls to country clubs in an effort to obtain employment.

This should be borne in mind in covering leads in connection with this and other cases.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO SAC, SEATTLE (44-371)

DATE 5/15/68

FROM SA JOHN E. CONNOR

SUBJECT MURKIN

On April 27, 1968, Dispatcher W. J. HARTER, Lynnwood Police Department, advised that WILHELM HOERSCHGEN, 6606 - 202nd S.W., Lynnwood, had just contacted the police department to advise that he thought he may have seen JAMES EARL RAY. HARTER put HOERSCHGEN on the telephone, and HOERSCHGEN advised that he had been at a boat house in Edmonds along with his eight year old son, and in leaving there and proceeding west driving up 196th Street, going up the hill out of Edmonds, he had been behind a truck and was driving quite slowly when he noticed a man walking along the side of the road.

He said that he picked this individual up and drove him from there to the intersection of 196th and Highway 99 in Lynnwood. He said the man told him that he came from Canada, was in the military service there testing rockets and that in his business he drove 40,000 to 50,000 a year. He said this person told him that he was going up toward Everett and that he put him out on the corner of Highway 99 and 196th Street telling him to stand at the bus stop which is located on the east side of Highway 99, just north of 196th Street, this being a good place to get a ride.

HOERSCHGEN continued that he went on about his business, going to the Lynnwood Tavern where he spent a few minutes and then into a nearby store to get a couple of cigars. He said that he then drove back by the intersection of Highway 99 and 196th Street and noticed that this person was no longer there. He said that he thought this was strange since the man told him that he would be walking to Everett, so he drove up Highway 99 to the Paine

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Field turnoff and did not see him anywhere along the way. He said that he then got to thinking about this, and it appeared to him that this man had lied to him when he told him he was going to walk to Everett (in spite of the fact that he put him out at the bus stop and told him this was a good place to hitchhike).

HOERSCHGEN continued that he got to thinking about this, and since it appeared that subject was lying to him here and he could not understand how a man in the service would be driving 40,000 to 50,000 miles per year, as the man said, he thought it was strange. He continued that he then remembered this man had a wild look in his eyes and, therefore, thought maybe he was wanted or running from something.

HOERSCHGEN said he had seen all of the publicity on television and in the newspapers about the KING killing and, therefore, came to the police department to report this matter thinking that this man might possibly be RAY. He described the individual as follows:

Race	White
Sex	Male
Age	35
Hair	Brown, crewcut
Height	5'10"
Weight	180
Complexion	Pale
Eyes	Unrecalled as to color, but had a "wild glance"
Remarks	Had no noticeable accent except that he talked through his nose
Hairline	Not considered to be high; he stated, in fact, the forehead appeared to him from eyebrows to hairline to be quite narrow.
Ears	Appeared to have large ears

HOERSCHGEN stated that he did not get much of a head-on view, seeing only the profile. He said that he had looked at the wanted flyer hanging in the police station and

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could not say if the individual he had picked up was or was not RAY. He reiterated that the main thing that made him report this matter was the fact that he felt this person had lied to him and the fact that he had a "wild glance" in his eyes.

HARTER advised that he had requested Edmonds PD cars to check Highway 99 from Lynnwood south to the King County line and had his own cars check Highway 99 north from 196th to the Paine Field crossing and south from 196th to the city limits with negative results.

SA CONNOR immediately checked Highway 99 from Paine Field north to Everett and checked the Greyhound Bus Station and the Great Northern Railroad Station, Everett, with negative results.

Captain LOUIS BODINE, Shift Captain, Everett PD, was furnished descriptive data given by HOERSCHGEN including the fact that the individual HOERSCHGEN was talking about was wearing khaki pants, white stockings, dark shoes and a dark sports jacket. He advised that he would have both patrol and detective crews alerted and that should such a person be located, appropriate steps would be taken to identify him.

On April 29, 1968, Captain BODINE and Officer HARTER both advised that nothing pertinent relative to the described individual was developed by their respective departments.

In view of the nebulous nature of the original information, it does not appear that further investigative effort is warranted or feasible.

(Mount Clipping in Space Below)

F. B. I. Not Doing Job In King Slaying, Says Author

A syndicated newsman and author investigating the slaying of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., believes James Earl Ray, the man sought by the Federal Bureau of Investigation in connection with the killing, is actually "two men."

Louis Lomax of the North American Newspaper Alliance also believes "the F. B. I. is not doing the job."

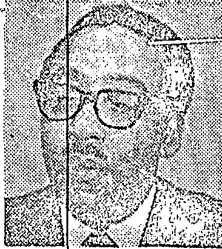
LOMAX WAS here to speak at Seattle and Bellevue Community College groups on "Alternatives to a Long, Hot Summer."

Lomax said the "F. B. I. is up a tree," because Ray is two men.

"The F. B. I. sent out the wrong set of fingerprints on Ray, and they say Ray was taking dancing lessons in New Orleans when he actually was in prison in 1964-65," Lomax said.

HE ALSO said J. Edgar Hoover, F. B. I. director, "should remove himself from the case because he hated Martin Luther King's guts."

Lomax said his investigation of the killing and of Ray has led "to pegging a couple men in New Orleans. That's where the answer is, in New



LOUIS LOMAX

Orleans and in Birmingham."

He said the information gathered in the investigation will be turned over to the F. B. I. His comments were made after addressing a group of Seattle Community College students and faculty members.

HE TOLD THEM, a "guaranteed annual wage is just around the corner," and that presidential candidates Senator Eugene McCarthy and Gov. Nelson Rockefeller will soon endorse the proposal.

This will come during the next presidential term as part of a complete re-arrangement of priorities in American society. Lomax said. The guaranteed annual wage, he said, could be almost completely financed with money now financing welfare programs.

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

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Seattle Times
Seattle, Wash.

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Editor: Henry MacLeod
Title:

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Character: CR

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (44-371)

FROM : SA REESE H. CHIPMAN

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 5/14/68

On 5/10/68, an individual who refused to divulge his identity, but who sounded as though he possibly was a Negro, telephonically contacted this office on a matter he stated was very urgent. He advised that he had observed JAMES EARL RAY last Sunday, 5/5/68 in the Green Parrot Theater. He said he saw this same individual again on the street on Tuesday. This individual who refused to give his name but gave his initials as HLS, said he was not interested in collecting any reward but only interested in seeing RAY killed. He described the individual he believed to be JAMES EARL RAY as follows:

Race	White
Sex	Male
Age	About 30 years old
Height	About 5'10"
Clothing	Wearing cowboy boots, tan cowboy type pants and a dirty white stetson hat. He was wearing large contour type sunglasses.

This individual was advised that should he see the particular person again, he should notify this office or the police department at once, and he promised to do this.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (44-371)

DATE: 5-13-68

FROM : SPC PETER JAMES WEBB

SUBJECT: MURKIN

STEVE SHAWLEY, General Aviation Services Supervisor, Boeing Field, RO-7-4480, telephonically contacted this office tonight as follows:

SHAWLEY was checking his old files on aircraft parking spaces tonight and turned up a registration for space in the name of EARL J. RAY, and thought it bore similarity to the subject of MURKIN.

The files reflect space was rented at the south end of Boeing Field in November, 1967, to EARL J. RAY, 8654 46th S.W., telephone WE-5-0638, to tie down a Cessna 120 (an older two place aircraft), number N 77301. RAY kept the space until January, when he apparently left the area, in arrears for his space rent.

SHAWLEY can be contacted at Boeing Field on days starting Wednesday. He said the space was rented to RAY by Galvin Flying Service, the previous supervising agency, and they could provide more info on RAY.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (44-371)(P)

DATE: 5/15/68

FROM : SA JOHN C. NETTER

SUBJECT: MURKIN
OO: MEMPHIS

Re memo of SA VERNON P. COYNE dated 5/8/68.

On May 10, 1968, the most recent photographs of JAMES EARL RAY were furnished to NEIL MODIE, a reporter for the "Columbian" newspaper, Vancouver, Washington.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (44-371) (P)

FROM : SA SIDNEY E. RUBIN

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 5/15/68

On May 9, 1968, Mrs. BRAZAEU, telephone WE 7-8042, telephonically contacted the writer and advised that the evening of May 8, 1968, she was reading a Post Intelligencer, and noted an article concerning the above captioned matter, and noted the picture of the subject in this case. BRAZAEU stated she recalled that during the latter part of April, 1968, while driving north on Rainier Avenue, near the bridge to Mercer Island she was stopped at a traffic light and noted a compact car, possibly a Falcon or a Comet parked beside her in the right lane. The lone occupant of this car was noted as staring towards her, and she therefore noticed this individual.

BRAZAEU stated this occurred during the middle part of the afternoon, but was unable to provide any further details as to time or exact date.

BRAZAEU stated that upon reading the above mentioned article, she recalled this individual appeared to resemble the subject that she noted in the above cited automobile incident.

BRAZAEU stated that the description in the newspaper fit similar to the individual she noted during the latter part of April, 1968.

BRAZAEU also stated the individual she recalled in April, 1968 was not as heavy as the photograph displayed in the Post Intelligencer newspaper of May 8, 1968, and was unable to provide any further descriptive information.

On May 9, 1968, the case Agent SA VERNON P. COYNE was advised of the above telephone call.

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AIR MAIL

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
FROM : SAC, SEATTLE (44-371)(P)
SUBJECT: MURKIN
OO: MEMPHIS

RE: R. BUCKLEY-LOOK ALIKE

Re Bureau airtel to Seattle, dated 5/13/68.

ROBERT WARRE BUCKLEY, 10002 Des Moines Way South, Seattle, Washington, advised today that he had been a guest at the Carriage Inn Motel in Van Nuys, California. Mr. BUCKLEY independently advised from his own records that he had been a guest at the motel from 4/21 through 4/27/68 and he said that he was in Van Nuys, California on a business trip at that time with three other associates who work with him in Seattle.

No further investigation concerning this particular aspect of this case being conducted by Seattle.

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AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (44-371) (P)
SUBJECT: MURKIN
OO: MEMPHIS

RE: SUSPECT GORDON ANDERSON

Re Bureau airtel to Seattle dated 4/30/68.

On May 9, 1968, GORDON ANDERSON, 7314 - 146th S.W., Tacoma, Washington, was personally interviewed by SA ELGIN E. OLROGG and was eliminated as a suspect in this matter.

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1 - Memphis (44-1987)
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Via AIRTELAIR MAIL

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM : SAC, SEATTLE (44-371)(P)

SUBJECT: MURKIN

OO: MEMPHIS

RE: SIMILAR NAME OF EARL RAY

On 5/6/68, the manager of the Aurora-Midway Branch of the People's National Bank of Washington, telephonically advised that it had come to his attention that a check had been issued to a Mrs. EARL RAY by a Mrs. ROGER L. MILLER of 19724 80th West, Edmonds, Washington.

The manager reported this check had been cashed at the Liberty Supermarket, Memphis, Tennessee, and under the endorsement appeared the numbers "743-9797" which he thought might be a telephone number.

SA JOHN E. CONNOR checked the records of the Seattle Credit Bureau and the Edmonds Police Department and found both to be negative concerning Mrs. ROGER L. MILLER also known as KATHERYN MILLER, 19274 80th West, Edmonds, Washington.

SA CONNOR determined that the records of the Credit Bureau of Snohomish County, Everett, show that the MILLERS have been listed since January, 1965, coming to the Edmonds area from Seattle. Mr. MILLER was listed as a driver for Darigold Farms. His wife, KATHERYN MILLER, and Mr. MILLER had previously been employed by Muffler City in Seattle having lived in the Seattle area since at least 1958. The credit record was satisfactory.

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A next door neighbor of the MILLERS, one Mrs. JAMES FARMER, 19730 80th Place West, Edmonds, advised that Mr. and Mrs. MILLER and their teenage daughter live next door; that both Mr. and Mrs. MILLER work in Seattle; and that one is a native of the Seattle area and the other a native of the Memphis, Tennessee area and still has relatives in that area.

On the evening of 5/6/68, Mr. and Mrs. ROGER L. MILLER, 19724 80th West, Edmonds, Washington, advised that Mrs. MILLER comes from Memphis, Tennessee, originally and that her sister, MELVA, has been married to EARL RAY for approximately the past 11 years and that they presently reside at 2680 Frisco Street in Memphis, Tennessee, with their two children.

The MILLERS advised that RAY is approximately 38 years of age, a white male, 5'6" in height; 140 pounds in weight; and has coal black hair. They said he has lived in the Memphis area all his life to the best of their knowledge and that he has been employed in iron work and in a battery shop there. They said he was previously in the military service and has never been in prison to their knowledge. The MILLERS said that EARL and his wife have lived in Memphis ever since they were married and his mother still lives next door. The MILLERS said that EARL's father died approximately one year ago and that he has sisters and brothers in the same area.

Mrs. MILLER stated that as soon as she and her husband read in the newspaper the identity of the suspect in the KING killing, they thought of the name of Mrs. MILLER'S brother-in-law; and having known of his whereabouts and activities of the past 11 years and knowing what he looked like, realized that this was only a similarity in names. The MILLERS concluded that to their knowledge, Mrs. MILLER'S brother-in-law's relatives are all in the Memphis area and they were in no way connected with or related to the person charged in the KING killing.

LEAD:

MEMPHIS DIVISION
At Memphis, Tennessee

Will, if not already done so at 2680 Frisco Street, check out EARL RAY and determine whether any of his relatives could be identical with JAMES EARL RAY.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (44-371)

DATE: May 14, 1968

FROM : SA WALTER R. BAILEY

SUBJECT: MURKIN
OO: MEMPHIS

On May 8, 1968, CATHRYN YOUNG, 23501 66th Avenue West, Mountlake Terrace, Washington, was interviewed at the U. S. Post Office, Mountlake Terrace Branch. She advised that a man who looked like JAMES EARL RAY had purchased an envelope from her on April 30, 1968. She stated that she had just read an article in "Life" magazine concerning RAY and had seen a 1959 photograph of him. YOUNG advised that the very next person to step up to the counter looked like RAY. She stated that he wore a dark suit and black shoes. She stated that she told the night clerk at the Seattle Office that he was a "young man," but she now thought he was between 40 and 50 years old. When she was asked how much she thought the man weighed, YOUNG replied that she could not remember what the "Life" magazine article had stated that RAY weighed. YOUNG advised he might have been 175 pounds. She described him as 5' 10" tall with brown hair. She said he wrote something in the Post Office lobby and then departed in a dark green Mustang, 1967 model she thought, with Washington license No. SDB- (?).

She stated that the 44-371-1a¹¹ photo of RAY still resembled the man although the photo in "Life" magazine made RAY look much younger. She was unsure whether the man in the Post Office looked as old as the recent photo of RAY.

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TO: ALL FIELD DIVISIONS
FROM: DIRECTOR

MURKIN.

IN VIEW OF FACT THAT SUBJECT SPENT A CONSIDERABLE SUM OF MONEY FROM APRIL TWO THREE, ONE NINE SIX SEVEN TO APRIL FOUR, ONE NINE SIX EIGHT, AND THE SOURCE OF HIS MONEY HAS NOT BEEN DETERMINED, HIS PHOTOGRAPH SHOULD BE DISPLAYED TO APPROPRIATE WITNESSES IN UNSOLVED BANK ROBBERIES AND BANK BURGLARIES IN THOSE INSTANCES WHERE WITNESSES ARE AVAILABLE. YOU SHOULD ALSO CONSIDER THE REQUESTING OF POLICE DEPARTMENTS TO DISPLAY PHOTOGRAPH OF RAY TO WITNESSES IN THEIR UNSOLVED ROBBERIES. //

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If the intelligence contained in the above message is to be disseminated outside the Bureau, it is suggested that it be suitably paraphrased in order to protect the Bureau's cryptographic systems.

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Date: May 13, 1968

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Via AIRTEL _____

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✓ TO: SAC, SEATTLE (44-371) (P)

FROM: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

MURKIN

RE: R. BUCKLEY - LOOK ALIKE

ReSEairtel 5/8/68.

Seattle has not conducted sufficient investigation to eliminate R. Buckley as a suspect in this case. Immediately determine whether Robert William Warre Buckley, 10002 Des Moines Way South, Seattle, Washington, was in fact, registered at the Carriage Inn Motel at Van Nuys, California.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (44-371)

FROM : SA JOHN L. KETCHAM (P)

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 5/13/68

On 5/10/68 SAs JOHN L. KETCHAM and JOHN FLIEGE, being apprised of information that a man named HESTER had alleged same date that he had seen RAY, the KING murderer in the afternoon in Pioneer Square, and later had seen him coming out of the B & R, 1st and Yesler, contacted the ff. individuals, all advised they had seen no one resembling photographs (otherwise being identified as those) of RAY:

B & R, operator, TWINKS ODEKIRK, no customers, all had gone over to the Penthouse
Penthouse, CHARLIE PUZZO
Blue Banjo, DON ~~XXXX~~ TORGT
Beat officers: COLE and O'BRIEN
Geneva Tavern, CAROL HANIS
Princess Tavern, CARNEL MACK

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AIRTEL

AIR MAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, HOUSTON (44-1503)

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re: New York teletype to Bureau dated 4-25-68.
Seattle airtel 5-8-68.

RE: WILKINSON BOCK COMPANY,
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

On May 16, 1968, LUTLAND L. WOODS, Chief of Security, Boeing Company, Beta Building, 11915 El Camino Real, Clear Lake City, Houston, Texas, advised SA WILLIAM M. STEINER that GERALD DORN RAY, Research Specialist, Engineering, is assigned to Boeing at Houston, but is presently stationed with the Boeing Unit at Grumman Aviation and Engineering Co., Bethpage, Long Island, New York. His supervisor is EUGENE BEYMER, phone 573-6077.

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NEW YORK

Contact GERALD D. RAY to determine the identity of E. J. RAY and if he is related to subject JAMES EARL RAY.

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2-Seattle (Info) (AM)
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Via **Airtel** _____

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JMA To: All SACS and LEGATS

From: Director, FBI (44-38861)

MURKIN

OO: MEMPHIS (44-1987)

In connection with the captioned case there has been speculation that James Earl Ray concocted the alias of Eric Starvo Galt by combining the names of characters from books by Ian Fleming and from a book "Atlas Shrugged" by Ayn Rand. This speculation is based on the fact that in the James Bond books by Ian Fleming there is a character named Ernst Stavro Blofield and in "Atlas Shrugged" there is a character named John Galt, as well as one named Eric Starnes. Ernst Stavro Blofield is a formidable person, John Galt is a "social drop out" and Eric Starnes is described in the book as a "whiner" from a low-class family.

In view of the above and in order that Agents handling this investigation can be alert to the possibility of Ray's utilizing an alias based on characters in Fleming's books, there is set out as an attachment to this airtel a list of various characters in those books for your assistance.

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James Bond	Smyert Shpionam	Monsieur Sixte
de Villorin	Goytchev	Lord Danvers
Duclos	Garrad-Jones	Carmel Delane
Dasilva	Petchora	Signor Tomelli
Clements	Donovan	Rene Mathis
Caffery	Harthrop-Vane	Monsieur Versoix
Fawcett	Ventnor	Adolph Gettler
Herr Nummer	Mace	Herr Gettler
Herr Ziffer	Savarin	
Smersh	Mathis	
Deauville	Charles Dasilva	
Le Touquet	Kingston	
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Cypher	Trouville	
Alsace Lorraine	Royale	
Strasbourg	Vesper Lynd	
Archivist	Dior	

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Galland

Sillitoe

Daker

Jacoby

Bronsteen

Sefton Delmer

DeBeers

Ronnie Vallance

Rufus B. Saye, wa,
Jack Spang

Peter Franks

Tiffany Case

Sergeant Dankwaerts

Sergeant Lobiniere

Mister Grunspan

Willy Behrens

George Feyer

Michael Tree, wa,
Shady Tree

Seraffimo Spang

W. Winter

Mike Hammer

Rocky

Felix Leiter

Pickapepper

Mauve Decade

Bill Winfrey

Kid Tatters

Lame-Brain Pissaro

Belair Stud

Mr. Weiss

Windy Wint

Boofy Kidd

Ernie Cuneo

Jack Entratter

Bobby Bilbo

Mr. Lucian

Frasso

McGonigle

Captain Hook

B. Kitteridge

Mr. Rothblatt

THE DIAMOND SMUGGLERS

Ian Fleming

Sir Reginald Leeper

Mr. Swart

Brigadier Rademeyer

Volk

Bernard Nealon

John Blaize

Williamson

Prospector Katze

du Raan

Mr. Louwrens

Sergeant Cilliers

Andries Coetzze

Alexander Foote

Desmond

Percy Sillitoe

Ernest Oppenheimer

J. A. Brink

Claasens

Bill Syer

Fuchs

LeBeers

THE DIAMOND SMUGGLERS

Van Blommestein & Birt	David Mitchel
Tim Patterson	Frank Wile
Piet Willers	Max Pop
T. S. Patterson	Francis Gballeit
Blake	Arthur Sherman
Davis	Belcher
de Graaf	Herbert Cox
Mrs. Coetzze	Monsieur Diamant
Christine Granville	Harry Openheimer
Sammy Silberstein	Kutze
Captain van der Westhuisen	Groffelaar
William Percival Radley ("Tony")	Patrick Sullivan
Donald Miles	Leiser Weitman
Henry Orford	John Gundry
Blaize	Willy Rosen
Bernard Nealon	Sillitoe
Harry Morgan	Henry Brasseur
Finkle	Kheir
William N. Witherspoon	Mr. Capper
P. M. R. Willis	Robert Johnson
Ardayast Powanlian	Ernest Oppenheimer

THE DIAMOND SMUGGLERS

Lyall

Philip Schreiber

Amschel Benny Engel

M. Lallet

M. Mario Pinci

Alio Giwa

Nathan Ascher Glatt

Dr. H. P. Lowe

H. J. Browning (Mr.)

Solomon Cukrowicz

David Gollansky

Alahaju Mustafa Ibrahim

Mike Collins

R. F. Sheldon

Mr. H. Rogers

Harras

DOCTOR NO

John Strangways

M

Bill Templar

Stoker Smith

James Molony

Dr. Peter Steincrohn

Major Boothroyd

Quarrel

Hugh Foot

Mr. Pleydell-Smith

Ben Gibbons

Josiah Smith

John Bryce

Waygood Otis

Julius No

Lemmy

FOR YOUR EYES ONLY

Ratray

Bates

Proctor

Pyramus

Thisbe

Havelock

Jimmy Farquharson

Aschenheim

Fayprince

Henriques

Feddens

Major Gonzales

von Hammerstein

Colonel Johns

Haversack

Burns Martin

Monty

Ethan Allen

Robin Hood

Harvey Millers

Godalming

Cheltenham

Tunbridge Wells

Governor

Philip Masters

FOR YOUR EYES ONLY

Tattersall

Whitehall

Albergo Colomba D'oro

Signor Kristatos

Ronnie Vallance

Santos

Enrico Colombo

Van Cleef

Mr. Toad

Albergo Daniell

Milton Krest

Mr. Abedana

Professor Hildebrand

FROM RUSSIA WITH LOVE

Donovan Grant

"Red" Grant

Krassno Granitsky

"Granit"

Dr. Baumgarten

Colonel Arkday Fotoyev

Lt. Col. Nikolai Godlovsky

General Ivan Aleksandrovitch Serov

Colonel General Grubozaboyschikov

Lt. General Slavin

Lt. General Vozdvishensky

Tokaev

Khoklov

Petrov

Rene Mathis

Drax

Colonel Klebb

Kronsteen

Makharov

Fouche

Professor Deniken

Darko Kerim

Lermontov

Swaine

Adeney

Wilkinson

Kerim Bey

Cecil Beaton

FROM RUSSIA WITH LOVE

Croesus
David Somerset
Bianco
Major Dansey
Gyllius
Vavra
Krilencu
Zora
Vida
Boris Kerim
Melchior Benz
Kurt Goldfarb
Stefan Trempo
"Tempo"
Captain Norman Nash
Wilbur Frank
Comtesse Metterstein
Rosa Malheur

GOLDFINGER

Blackwell
Schwab
Santos
Johnny Crawford
Auric Goldfinger
Mr. Armour
Jill Masterton
Colonel Smithers
Sassoon
Ellerman
Lord Cowdray
Rothschilds, Barings, Jed Midnight
Hambros
Williamson
Oppenheimer
Boris Anrep
Hopton Wood
Alfred Blacking
Farquharson
Hawker
Lord Lonsdale

Homer
Philip Scrutton
Foulks
Hagen
Bernard Darwin
Mr. Scotland
Le Touquet
Tilly Masterton
Dr. Foch
Mr. Gold
Helmut M. Springer
Billy (The Grinner) Ring
Jack Strap
Mr. Solo
Jim Colossino
Slappy Hapgood
Giulio
Bloody Morgan
Cortez

GOLDFINGER

O' Brien

WeatherShip Charlie

Dutch Schuyts

Napoleon, Hitler

LIVE AND LET DIE

Grady

Arthur Fein

Buonaparte Ignace Gallia

Tee-Hee Johnson

Leigh Fermor

Samuel D. Baldwin

Mr. Halloran

Captain Dexter

Zachary Smith

Baron Samedi

Sam Miami

G-G Sumatra

Flannel

Mr. Bryce

Quarrel

THE MAN WITH THE GOLDEN GUN

M.

Captain Walker

Major Townsend

Mr. Robson

Sir James Molony

Bill Tanner

Ramon "The Rod" Rodriguez

Enrico Scaramanga

Harold L. Peterson

Oliver Winchester

Beau Desert

Commander Edmund G. Ross

Mark Hazard

Tony Hugill

Mr. Brown

Francisco Scaramanga

Mr. Hendriks

Sam Binion

Leroy Gengerella

Hal Garfinkel

THE MAN WITH THE GOLDEN GUN

Louie Paradise
Mr. Travis
Mr. Nick Nicholson
Stanley Jones
King Tiger
Sir Alexander Bustamante
Mr. Scramble
Mr. Arosio
Rastafari
Macdonald
Bannister
Percival Sampson
Lister Smith
Justice Morris Cargill
Donitz
Guderian

MOONRAKER

Hugo Drax ("Hugger")
Jack Hobbs
Gordon Richards
Basildon (Basil)

Tranby Croft
Steffi Esposito
Meyer
Gibbon
Longchamp
Brevett
Canfield
Dangerfield
Max
Porterfield
Grimley
General Bealey
Duff Sutherland
Morphy
Ronnie Vallance
Tallon
Gala Brand

Egon Bartsch
Professor Train
Dr. Walter
Willy Krebs

Marie Laurencin
Leica
Baxter
Professor Bhose
Galatea
Graf Hugo von der
Drache
Kaltenbrunner
Otto Skorzeny
Group Captain Tandy
Peter Trimble
Detective-Inspector
Vivian