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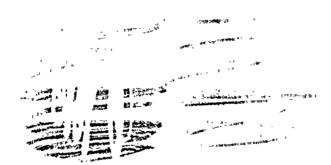
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JAMES TABOR; Supervisor, Auto Registration Section, Secretary of State, Springfield, Illinois advised on 4/22/68 that 1968 Illinois License LT 7773 issued February 15, 1968 to JERROLD & SANDRA HURST, 1860 Aycliff Court, Apt 302, Joliet, Illinois for 1966 Pontiac Coupe, VIN 252376X154109. No Driver License reflected on Application. SSN listed as

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GENEVA JONES, Supervisor, Driver License Section, Secretary of State, Springfield advised on 4/22/68 that DL# issued 11/3/65 to JERROLD C. HURST, 112 Enwood, Joliet, Illinois. This License expires 4/29/69 and describes him as 6'3", 185 lbs, Brown Hair, Blue Eyes, DOB

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TO DIRECTOR, ATLANTA, RIRMINGHAM, CINCINNATI, LOUISVILLE, ST.

FROM MEMPHIS (14-1987) 1P

THIS DATE, FOLLOWING SPECIAL PERSONNEL RELEASED MEMPHIS
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Re: PAUL STANLEY BOOTHBY

Suspect

Clinton, Illinois

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Subject PAUL STANLEY BOOTHBY was fingerprinted by DeWitt County Sheriff's Office and was interviewed by FBI Agents in Clinton, Illinois, at DeWitt County Jail.

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HAIR:

BROWN

EYES:

HAZEL

POB:

LIMA, OHIO

SCARS:

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LEFT HAND

FINGERPRINT CLASSIFICATION:

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to: SAC, SPRINGFIELD (44-561)

DATE: 4/20/68

FROM ASAC, SULLIVAN (P)

SUBJECT: MURKIN CR

On 4/20/68, SAC TROY COLEMAN telephonically contacted the Springfield Division concerning captioned matter, which has received nationwide publicity. Mr. COLEMAN instructed that all possible leads to locate and apprehend JAMES EARL RAY be exhausted, that sufficient man power be assigned to this case to secure the Bureau's interest and to quickly apprehend this most dangerous fugitive. Mr. COLEMAN instructed that leads in this matter receive the constant personal supervision of the ASAC and that he be apprised of any outstanding developments in this matter.

In the event his presence is required in the Spring-field Division prior to the completion of his annual leave, he should be contacted telephonically and furnished the facts.

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TO : SAC, CHICAGO (44-1114)

DATE: 4/19/68

FROM

ASAC, SPRINGFIELD (44-561)

SUBJECT:

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ASAC DONALD T. SULLIVAN, Springfield Office, telephonically advised that the names and aliases of the nationwide press release on JAMES EARL RAY have been checked through the Drivers' License Records and Motor Vehicle Bureau records at Springfield, Illinois. The Driver's License Records have not been completely checked as yet and results are unavailable; however, IC JOSEPH HAMMITT provided the following information from Motor Vehicle Bureau records:

1967 Illinois license NG 7263, issued 2/14/67 to JAMES E. RAY, 935 Sheridan Road, Apartment 3, Winthrop Harbor, Illinois, for 1963 Rambler 4-door, VIN Z113034, no driver's or chauffeur's license number given.

1967 Illinois license LX 4349, issued 5/24/67 to JAMES EARL RAY, 615 North Water Street, South Elgin, Illinois, on 1958 Pontiac 4-door, VIN P858H7576. This application reflects Arkansas driver's license number

1967 Illinois license EN-159, issued 1/24/67 to JAMES E. RAY, 1229 Gages Lake Road, Wildwood, Illinois, on 1966 Chrysler 2-door hardtop, VIN 6L23G63177997, no driver's or chauffeur's license number given.

1967 Illinois license DH 2896, issued 2/1/67 to JAMES MC BRIDE, 922 West 50th Street, Chicago, on 1965 Chevelle sedan, VIN 135375Kl39751, no driver's or chauffeur's license number given.

1967 Illinois license KL-4520, issued 2/15/67 to JAMES WALTON, 1940 South Ridgeway, Chicago, on 1965 Buick 2-door Sport Coupe, VIN 464375X129278, no driver's or chauffeur's license number given.

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1967 Illinois license 878-337, issued 12/30/66 to JAMES and/or JEAN WALTON, 3911 West Gladys, Chicago, Illinois, on 1967 Ford Station Wagon, VIN 7K12T158634, no driver's or chauffeur's license number given.

1967 Illinois license CJ 5679, issued 1/21/67 to JAMES WALTON, 1515 North Rockwell, Chicago, on 1961 Chrysler Coupe, VIN 8113173596, no driver's or chauffeur's license number given.

1968 Illinois license 645 151, issued 12/27/67 to W. C. HERRON, 2716 Illinois Avenue, East St. Louis, Illinois, on 1966 Cadillac Sedan de Ville, VIN B61H2519, Chauffeur's license number

1968 Illinois license SD-1645, issued 2/21/68 to W. C. HERRON, 2716 Illinois Avenue, East St. Louis, Illinois, for 1960 Studebaker 4-door, VIN 601524723. Illinois driver's license

1967 Illinois license HV-695, issued 2/14/67 to JAMES D. O'CONNOR, 6417 South Maplewood, Chicago, on 1966 Mercury Comet 2-door, VIN 6H23T635858, no driver's or chauffeur's license number given.

1967 Illinois license AD 9545, issued 5/5/67 to JAMES O'CONNOR, 4219 North Mamora, Chicago, on 1967 Volkswagen sedan, VIN 1170436994, driver's or chauffeur's license

1967 Illinois license LN-205, issued 7/5/67, to JAMES C. O'CONNOR, 422 Larkdale Lane, Mount Prospect, Illinois, on 1965 Mercury Station Wagon, VIN 5Z72Y578002, no driver's or chauffeur's license number given.

1967 Illinois license PR 8185, issued 5/22/67 to JAMES O'CONNOR, 145 West 115th Street, Chicago, on 1962 Oldsmobile 4-door, VIN 628M02939, no driver's or chauffeur's license number given.

A check of Motor Vehicle Bureau records for 1967 or 1968 failed to reflect any vehicles registered or titled to a WALTER TERRY RIFE.

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## Memorandum

ro : SAC (44-561)

DATE: 4/22/68

FROM : . ASAC SULLIVAN

subject: MURKIN

On 4/22/68 SA RENEE DUMANE, Chicago Office, telephonically contacted Springfield concerning captioned - matter and advised Chicago has been in contact with JAMES. RAY's sister, SUSIE, who is a go-go dancer in the Chicago SUSIE stated she did not have any current information concerning MAX (LNU), the youngest son of the family, but she believed some information could be obtained from the Catholic Childrens' Home, 1400 State Street, Alton, Illinois, where she and MAX lived for about 8 years, or from HAZEL HAMILTON, Catholic Charities worker, Quincy, Illinois, who was interested in the family. DUMANE stated subject's sister SUSIE maintained that the uncle, WILLIAM MAHER, still resides at Alton, Illinois, although she could not give any date as to current status of this information. She maintained that WILLIAM H. MAHER is the only individual who kept in touch with another brother of subject, JOHN RAY, whose whereabouts have still not been established.

Subsequently, ASAC KYLE CLARKE, Chicago, contacted Springfield Division and advised his office has been interviewing JERRY RAY, a brother of subject who is currently residing in the Chicago area. JERRY, likewise, maintained that information Springfield Division has developed indicating uncle WILLIAM MAHER is either deceased or in the San Francisco area, is not accurate. JERRY stated that as of about 1½ years ago, WILLIAM MAHER resided at 118 East 7th St., Alton, Illinois, where he is engaged as a painting contractor. JERRY claims he himself has hidden out with this uncle at Alton when he, JERRY, was in trouble, and that this uncle is the first individual to whom subject RAY would go to since he feels certain the uncle would hide him out and he is not so close to the uncle that he would feel bad about uncler if he were involved in a harboring violation.

Above information telephonically relayed to SAs ROBERT C. HAINES and ELYON H. DAVIS.

SA HAINES advised his investigation has determined

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The brother who is believed to be deceased, FRANKLIN DELANO "BUZZIE" RYAN, who was born entered the St. James Trade School, Springfield, Illinois, 7/14/58. FRANKLIN is believed deceased; however, his background should be checked out fully for residence addresses, names of relatives, etc., which might lead to establishing full background of this disintegrated family and assist in locating subject.

SA HAINES advised that subject's mother, who was variously known as LUCILLE, LUCY and CATHERINE MAHER RYAN, was married to GERALD RYAN of Quincy, Illinois, but since both of them were extremely heavy drinkers, this marriage broke up at which time the children became wards of the court. The mother allegedy died 1/26/61.

Appropriate inquiries should be instituted by SA JOSEPH F. GIGLIO at

SA ROBERT BLUM RASCOE, at Springfield, Illinois, should contact St. James Trade School, Springfield, concerning FRANKLIN DELANO "BUZZIE" RYAN or RAY, for the same information.

SA ELYON H. DAVIS should develop information re GERALD RYAN, second husband of subject's mother, and attempt to locate GERALD RYAN.

SA ROBERT-C. HAINES should attempt to develop whereabouts of subject's uncle, WILLIAM MAHER at Quincy, Illinois. If located, advise office since this may result in an apprehension situation.



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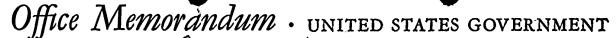
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