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TO : SAC, SPRINGFIELD (44-561)

DATE: 4/25/68

FROM : SA LOUIE F. DEAN

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Re memorandum of SPC DAVID J. CAPP to file dated 4/20/68.

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She advised that he was wearing what she considered a "wrap around" type of sunglasses.

She stated that when this individual walked in Mrs. GUEMBEL leaned over and said "This individual looks like the guy that killed King".

She stated that when he left he went out and they could see him get into what appeared to be a white Cadillac convertible with a dark top and it looked as though someone was waiting for him in the automobile.

She advised that they briefly mentioned this to STANLEY PONDELL, owner of the Bingo Tap who got a recent newspaper showing the picture of JAMES EARL RAY, aka ERIC STARVO GALT and after looking at the paper stated that there was a slight resemblance.

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After being shown the wanted flyer identification order photograph taken 7/8/55 USP-LK #72498 advised that she could not make any definite statement now as to whether or not there was any close resemblance or that he was

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On April 23, 1968, Mrs. PATRICIA GUEMBEL, Sibley, Illinois, advised that her husband, PHIL GUEMBEL was not home and was at work at Gibson City, Illinois, and related the same story as furnished above by Mrs. LONGMIRE.

She stated that when the unknown individual left the Bingo Tap that she did not go to the door, however, she could see through the door and that he did get into a white car and it looked as though someone was sitting in the car.

She described this unknown white male as 5'10" to 6', real dark wavy hair, approximately 40 years of age, 170-180 pounds.

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On April 23, 1968, WAYNE LONGMIRE, Sibley, Illinois, advised that the unknown individual who appeared at the Bingo Tap parted his hair on the right side was wearing dark glasses, 38 to 40 years of age, 5'10" 5'11", 160-180 pounds and that his hair was dark and almost black.

He described him as a flat chested individual and that he was wearing a white shirt, no tie and that the shirt was unbuttoned to his trousers, wearing dark slacks, no coat or hat and had a receding hair line.

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ATTN: MOVEMENT UNIT

FROM: SAC, MEMPHIS
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The following personnel who have been on special assignment in the Memphis Division in connection with captioned matter returned to their respective offices of assignment on the dates indicated:

WILLIAM J. BILLEAUD, Springfield, 4/20/68
G. JAMES HOLBROOK, Louisville 4/20/68
CHARLES L. LUTES, Louisville, 4/20/68
JAMES J. STANTON, Louisville, 4/20/68
BETTYE D. STARK, Louisville, 4/20/68
THOMAS L. BUCKLEY, St. Louis, 4/20/68
SHIELDS W. SMITH, Cincinnati, 4/20/68
EDWARD M. QUINN, Cincinnati, 4/20/68
JEAN M. SAHED, Cincinnati, 4/20/68
SUSY ARLENE JONES, Little Rock, 4/21/68
LEONE J. FLOSI, Kansas City, 4/22/68
H. BARRY CANNODY, Kansas City, 4/22/68
FRANK J. HABERSHAW, Springfield, 4/22/68

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On 4/22/68 ROBERT HUBER, Sheriff, Mason County, Havana, Illinois, advised that there is not a barge company or river transportation and construction company located in or near Havana.

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TO DIRECTOR, MEMPHIS, BIRMINGHAM, LOS ANGELES, SPRINGFIELD
FROM ATLANTA (44-2386) 3P

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SUMMARY OF INVESTIGATION, APRIL TWENTYSIX, SIXTYEIGHT:

ON APRIL TWENTYFOUR LAST, U. S. POSTAL INSPECTOR,
ATLANTA, ADVISED AN ENVELOPE TYPE PACKAGE HAD BEEN RECEIVED AT
POST OFFICE GENERAL DELIVERY SECTION ADDRESSED TO ERIC S. GALT,
FIVE FIVE THREE THREE HOLLYWOOD BOULEVARD, HOLLYWOOD, CALIFORNIA.
PACKAGE SENT FROM INTERNATIONAL POLICE EQUIPMENT COMPANY, EIGHT
ZERO SIX SOUTH ROBERTSON BOULEVARD, LOS ANGELES, AND CONTAINED
ONE PAIR OF JAPANESE CHROME HANDCUFFS WITH TWO KEYS. ALSO
ENCLOSED A "CONFIDENTIAL CATALOG", "POLICE AND INVESTIGATION
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SA Davis advised

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No

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ADVISED THAT OWNER OF INTERNATIONAL POLICE EQUIPMENT COMPANY, ONE ZERO ZERO FOUR ALFRED, LOS ANGELES, ADVISED BASED ON INFORMATION THEN AVAILABLE, HAS ONLY STOCKED JAPANESE HANDCUFFS NINETY OR ONE HUNDRED TWENTY DAYS. DOES NOT ADVERTISE HANDCUFFS IN REGULAR MAGAZINE ADS WHICH APPEAR IN "TRASH" TYPE DETECTIVE MAGAZINES. THEREFORE BELIEVES INSTANT ORDER MUST HAVE BEEN "REORDERED." OWNER WILL BE ABLE TO FURNISH ORIGINAL ORDER FOR HANDCUFFS SHIPPED TO GALT THIS DATE.

JIMMIE DELTON GARNER REINTERVIEWED WITH NO POSITIVE RESULTS. CONCERNING BILLY JOE FAULKNER, INVESTIGATION ELIMINATES HIS BEING IN ATLANTA DURING THE PERIOD RAY RESIDED ON FOURTEENTH STREET; HOWEVER, A BILLY FAULKNER WAS REGISTERED AS BEING AT ONE ZERO SEVEN FOURTEENTH STREET, APRIL TWO THROUGH NINE LAST. ALSO, A WILLIAM EARNEST HARPER RESIDED THERE AT THE SAME TIME AND IN THE SAME ROOM. HARPER DESCRIBED AS ABOUT FIFTY YEARS OF AGE AND BILLY FAULKNER AS ABOUT TWENTY YEARS OLD. IDENTITY OF BILLY FAULKNER WHO ROOMED THERE APRIL TWO THROUGH NINE LAST NOT KNOWN

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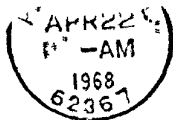
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Box 221
Plymouth, Ill.
62367



The Office of The F. B. I.
Springfield
Ill.

Mrs. Cox's letter acknowledged 4/24/68
David Higgins determined to have heard working during
date 3/22 - 4/4/68 in March, 1968
James contacted telephonically
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Plymouth, Ill.
Sunday April 21st

Dear Sir:- a young man came to our town on April 7, Sunday and he came to our place and asked for to rent a room for a week. He said that he was from Orlando, Florida and that he had ~~started~~ started to work at the Porcelain factory in Macomb on Thursday April 4. I don't know the full name of the factory. It is Edison something but most people call it the Porcelain factory. It is on East Pierce St. in Macomb.

This young man said his name is David Riggins and that he had no parents as they both are dead. He wanted me to let him stay untill Wednesday before he could pay me. He said his Boss had promised to let him have some money on Wednesday.

I had mercy on him and took him at his word, because he said he had no parents and I sort of thought he

I needed mercy. I am a Christian and I know the story of the good Samaritan in the Bible. I did think it strange that he was to be paid on Wednesday because Friday is the day the factory pays its workers and they hold back a week too; But I thought maybe they do this in an emergency when some worker is in dire need.

This young man did come and pay his room rent and paid until Friday the following week; But he quit his job ~~Friday~~ well I'm not sure about the day he quit. I don't think he has worked any since. He is still here and has his room rent paid up until Friday April 26th.

I've been much concerned about this young man. When he came here he had sandy hair; But now he seemingly has Auburn hair. He has a very friendly personality and thanks me for everything even when I have had to reprove him now and then. He and another roomer were making so much noise running up and down stairs so much bothering other roomers and me at night.

2 He told this other roomer that he is a hippy from Florida.

He has made me wonder if he possibly could be the wanted man who killed Martin Luther King; But I really don't think he is. He is quite thin and looks too young to be 40 years old. He says he is 19. When he came here he was wearing dark glasses and said that the army had turned him down because of his poor eye sight. He doesn't wear the dark glasses now.

He gets up in the middle of the afternoon and goes to the corner restaurant. It is a sort of hang out for teen agers and does not have a very good reputation. I do not know this from experience. I do not go there but people have told me that. I've just been concerned and thought maybe I should let my concern be know. I've been listening daily to the news thinking that the wanted man would be found and that would prove this man is not he.

4. Since he has not been found so
far, I thought it best to write to
~~write to you~~
If this young man started work at
the Porcelain factory April 4, then
he could not have been in Memphis
and here too. If the man who owned
that white Mustang drove it to
Atlanta, then this man could not
him, because he was here that
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he best to go to the Porcel
factory first, in Macon.
Too the old lady who
restaurant here might
to you. Her
What know

5. we own this building which is called the Plymouth Hotel, and we are right next door to the new post office here in town.

If you should come here to enquire about this matter please don't let it be known that I wrote to you.

my husband thinks I should not meddle in such things and he would nag me unmercifully if he knew I wrote to you.

Please do not write to me either, for the same reason.

I just felt I should write because of some things about this man answering the description of the wanted man. I hope I am not a meddler. I just think I should let my concern be known. Sincerely
Mrs. Lillian Coff

950 15th St
Plymouth, Ill.
Box 221



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RE: THREATS TO MARTIN LUTHER KING

RE CHICAGO AIRTEL AND LHM DATED APRIL TWELVE, SIXTY EIGHT
CAPTIONED: NEWPP; JOHN MEDIZER. 44-561-784

JOHN C. MEDIZER, WHITE MALE, BORN [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] FIVE FEET ELEVEN INCHES, ONE HUNDRED FORTY FIVE POUNDS,
BLOND HAIR, BLUE EYES, WAS ACTIVE IN CHICAGO UNIT NATIONAL
SOCIALIST WHITE PEOPLE'S PARTY (NEWPP) DURING SUMMER AND FALL,
NINETEEN SIXTY SEVEN.

MEDIZER LIVED FOR TIME AT NEWPP HEADQUARTERS AND ALSO AT
DIPLOMAT HOTEL, CHICAGO. HE WORKED AT ROTO PRINT COMPANY,
CHICAGO UNTIL MARCH TWENTY NINE, SIXTY EIGHT, WHEN HE QUIT
HIS JOB.

CHICAGO NEWPP SOURCE ADVISED MEDIZER BELIEVED ORIGINALLY
FROM WEST FRANKFORT, ILLINOIS AND REPORTEDLY WORKED PRIOR TO

1 - Dallas (AM)
1 - St. Louis (AM)
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CHICAGO AS DRUMMER IN NIGHT SPOTS IN DALLAS, TEXAS AREA.

WHILE ACTIVE IN NSWPP AFFAIRS MEDIZER PARTICIPATED IN DEMONSTRATIONS INCLUDING DEMONSTRATIONS AGAINST ANTI VIETNAM PEACE DEMONSTRATIONS WASHINGTON, D.C., OCTOBER TWENTY, TWENTY ONE, SIXTY SEVEN.

VINCENT BURNELL, FORMER ROTO PRINT COMPANY, HAS ADVISED MEDIZER HAS SEN [REDACTED] [REDACTED] WAS SHOP WORKER. MEDIZER FREQUENTLY BRAGGED TO COWORKERS ABOUT HIS NAZI PARTY ACTIVITIES AND DISPLAYED LITERATURE AND OTHER NAZI ITEMS. ON MARCH TWENTY, SIXTY EIGHT MEDIZER ADVISED HE WAS QUITTING JOB TO WORK FOR NAZIS IN ARGENTINA, REPORTEDLY ON "FORGED PASSPORT." HE INDICATED HE FIRST WOULD VISIT FRIENDS IN DALLAS.

MEDIZER ALSO DURING EMPLOYMENT MADE VAGUE THREATS AGAINST MARTIN LUTHER KING AND THAT HE WOULD "TAKE CARE OF HIM."

SUBSEQUENTLY MEDIZER PICKED UP PAYCHECK ON MARCH TWENTY NINE, SIXTY EIGHT, STATED HIS PRESENT PLANS INCLUDED A VISIT TO ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI, THEN TRIP TO WASHINGTON, D.C. AREA WHERE HE WOULD DISCUSS HIS PLANS WITH MAJOR KOEHL (MATT KOEHL OF NSWPP) AT ARLINGTON AND DO WHAT EVER "THE MAJOR" WANTED HIM TO DO.

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HE INDICATED HIS PLANS MAY NOT INCLUDE A TRIP TO ARGENTINA
DEPENDING ON WHAT KOEHL HAD TO SAY.

PASSPORT RECORDS, CHICAGO NEGATIVE RE MEDIZER.

MRS. MORRIS, DIPLOMAT HOTEL, CHICAGO HAS ADVISED MEDIZER
LEFT HOTEL LAST OF MARCH STATING HE WAS GOING TO AUSTRALIA.
TALKED OF NAZI ACTIVITIES AT HOTEL, NOTHING SPECIFIC RECALLED.
LEFT NO FORWARDING ADDRESS.

CHICAGO NSWPP SOURCES HAVE NO INFORMATION RE MEDIZER'S
CURRENT WHEREABOUTS. HAVE NO INFORMATION RE MEDIZER INVOLVEMENT
RE MURKIN.

BASED ON STATEMENT MADE RE KING, MEDIZER SHOULD BE LOCATED
AND INTERVIEWED.

RICHMOND AT ARLINGTON CONTACT MATT KOEHL,
NSWPP TO DETERMINE IF MEDIZER LOCATED THERE AND INTERVIEW RE
POSSIBLE INVOLVEMENT MURKIN. IF NOT LOCATED SUTEL LEADS TO
LOCATE.

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The following investigation was conducted by
SA JOSEPH L. MC KINSTRAY.

On April 23, 1968, EDNA BAER, coordinator, Selective Service System, St. Clair County, advised she had no record of JAMES EARL RAY under that name or any known aliases. She stated that the serial number given 16163129 indicates to her that the first "1" means the man was an enlistee and the second digit "6" indicates he enlisted in the Sixth Corp or Army area. She stated that she recalled that in 1946 inductees from this area were sent to Chicago, Illinois for induction and there was no induction center at East St. Louis, Illinois.

Mrs. ADA S. DANIELS, Selective Service System, Madison County, Illinois, advised she could locate no record identifiable with JAMES EARL RAY under that name or known aliases or through the above military service number or the birthdate March 10, 1928.

At East St. Louis, Illinois

Sergeant TOMMY CARROLL, Army Recruiter, 650 Missouri Avenue, advised that his office does not maintain old records concerning enlistments. He suggested that if the military service number of an individual is known, his record could be located at the Department of Defense, Military Personnel Records Center, St. Louis, Missouri.

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SA JOSEPH L. MC KINSTRAY and SA JEROLD W. DONALDSON at
East St. Louis, Illinois.

On April 19, 1968, records of the East St. Louis
Police Department, Southwestern Bell Telephone Company,
East St. Louis and the current city and telephone direc-
tories for East St. Louis were checked and no record
identifiable with JAMES EARL RAY or his known aliases was
located nor any record of JAY RAY or any person appearing
to be a brother or relative of JAMES EARL RAY.

Mrs. JOHNNIE COX, 1512 College, advised that that
family has lived at that address for the past three years
and is purchasing the property from a Mr. IVORY (Phonetic)
who lives on North 38th Street and who previously resided
in the house.

RAYMOND IVEY, 1351 North 38th Street, East St.
Louis, Illinois, advised that he and his wife resided at
1512 College, East St. Louis from about 1952 until about
1965 and had telephone UP4-3336 and sold the property to
the JOHNNIE COX family in 1965. They denied any knowledge
of any person named RAY and did not recognize the photo-
graph of JAMES EARL RAY nor recognize the aliases used by
RAY as anyone known to them. RAYMOND IVEY advised that he
was born June 27, 1917 and is a white male, 6'5", 240
pounds with blue eyes, gray hair, and wears a mustache.
He stated that he has worked for the past several years as
an iron worker for construction companies in St. Louis,
Missouri.

There is no UP-1 exchange in East St. Louis.

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FRED M. PETRAKIS, PONTIAC NUMBER ONE EIGHT FIVE ONE SIX, ROUTE ONE PEORIA, AND FIVE ONE EIGHT SANFORD STREET, PEORIA.

KENNETH D. FOSDYCK, PONTIAC NUMBER ONE NINE TWO ONE EIGHT, ROUTE ONE, BUSHNELL, ILLINOIS.

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DWIGHT ROWE, PONTIAC NUMBER ONE NINE ZERO EIGHT SIX,
FOUR THREE TWO AND ONE HALF SOUTH VINE, KEWANEE, ILLINOIS.

CHICAGO WILL LOCATE AND INTERVIEW FORMER INMATES, CHICAGO,
IN EFFORT TO ESTABLISH IDENTITY OF CLOSE FRIENDS OF RAY WHILE
INCARCERATED PONTIAC.

WILL REVIEW CRIMINAL COURT CASE FIVE TWO - ONE ONE FIVE
FIVE TO ESTABLISH LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION OF WOUND SCARS
BOTH ARMS.

SPRINGFIELD WILL LOCATE AND INTERVIEW FORMER INMATES
SPRINGFIELD DIVISION IN EFFORT TO ESTABLISH IDENTITY OF CLOSE
FRIENDS OF RAY WHILE INCARCERATED PONTIAC PRISON.

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RE SPRINGFIELD TELETYPE TO CHICAGO APRIL TWENTY TWO, LAST
AND ATLANTA TELETYPE APRIL TWENTY TWO, LAST.

STOW E. SYMON, SUPERVISING SOCIOLOGIST, ILLINOIS STATE
PENITENTIARY, PONTIAC, ILLINOIS, ON APRIL TWENTY FIVE, LAST,
ADVISED HIS FILE CONTAINS LITTLE INFORMATION CONCERNING RAY
WHO WAS A MODEL PRISONER WHILE INCARCERATED PONTIAC, JULY
SEVEN, FIFTY TWO, UNTIL DISCHARGE MARCH TWELVE, FIFTY FOUR.
STATES RAY CONFINED CHARGE ROBBERY UNDER CRIMINAL COURT,
COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, CASE FIVE TWO-ONE ONE FIVE FIVE
WHICH SETS FORTH IN STATEMENT OF FACTS SUBJECT AT TIME OF
ARREST, CHICAGO, WOUNDED IN BOTH ARMS BY POLICE BULLETS. NO
INFORMATION PONTIAC DESCRIBING WOUNDS OF LOCATION OF SCARS.
SUBJECT RAY AT PONTIAC ASSIGNED HONOR FARM, AUGUST TWELVE,
FIFTY TWO UNTIL DISCHARGE. THIS IS DORMITORY TYPE HOUSING
RATHER THAN CELL TYPE. SUBJECT ASSIGNED KITCHEN AS COOK AND
ALSO ON OFFICERS QUARTERS DETAIL. SYMON HAVING SEARCH OF

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