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<u>DENVER:</u>			
12/16/67	835-9495 (Beaumont, Texas)	303-636-1773	Colorado Springs, Colo.
<u>LOUISVILLE:</u>			
12/17/67	835-9074 (Beaumont, Texas)	502-798-9309	Ft. Campbell, Ky.
<u>MEMPHIS:</u>			
12/16/67	468-9078 (Houston, Texas)	615-293-4542	Cornersville, Tenn.
12/16/67	468-9078 (Houston, Texas)	615-293-4542	Cornersville, Tenn.
12/15/67	468-9081 (Houston, Texas)	615-293-4542	Cornersville, Tenn.
12/15/67	468-9081 (Houston, Texas)	615-293-4542	Cornersville, Tenn.
<u>MIAMI:</u>			
12/15/67	769-9108 (Vidor, Texas)	813-657-3181	Immokalee, Fla.
<u>NEW YORK CITY:</u>			
12/15/67	673-9289 (Houston, Texas)	212-748-7417	Brooklyn
12/15/67	673-9236 (Houston, Texas)	212-254-2288	New York City
<u>NORFOLK:</u>			
12/16/67	452-9260 (Houston, Texas)	703-722-7921	Hampton, Va.

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<u>OMAHA:</u>			
12/15/67	835-9546 (Beaumont, Texas)	712-375-4191	Pierson, Iowa
<u>PHILADELPHIA:</u>			
12/17/67	835-9318 (Beaumont, Texas)	717-637-8759	Hanover, Pa.
12/12/67	835-8273 (Beaumont, Texas)	215-433-9403	Allentown, Pa.
<u>SACRAMENTO:</u>			
12/15/67	468-9850 (Houston, Texas)	209-464-8050	Stockton, Calif.
<u>SEATTLE:</u>			
12/15/67	468-9868 (Houston, Texas)	206-622-4911	Seattle, Wash.
<u>SPRINGFIELD:</u>			
12/16/67	835-9435 (Beaumont, Texas)	309-452-4852	Normal, Ill. <i>Arthur</i>
12/15/67	835-9419 (Beaumont, Texas)	217-528-2815	Springfield, Ill. <i>Robert</i>
12/17/67	835-8273 (Beaumont, Texas)	618-932-2403	West Frankfort, Ill. <i>Mark</i>
<u>ST. LOUIS:</u>			
12/16/67	682-9361 (Houston, Texas)	314-664-3747	St. Louis, Mo.
<u>TAMPA:</u>			
12/17/67	769-9103 (Vidor, Texas)	813-229-1414	Tampa, Fla.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SPRINGFIELD (44-561) -P-

DATE: 5/6/68

FROM : SA ELIAS WILLIAMS, JR.

SUBJECT: MURKIN  
CR

OO: MEMPHIS

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② - Springfield (44-561)

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Remaining laundries checked in Springfield Division  
regarding laundry tags 02B-6 and 20B-3 (prior to receipt  
of referenced Memphis airtel) with negative results.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SPRINGFIELD (44-561)

FROM : SA LARRY W. GREEN P.

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 5/6/68

Re Indianapolis tel to Director, dated 4/24/68.

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Other sisters are CAROL RYAN, 1727 South 11th, St. Louis, Missouri; and CAROL ROGERS, 1701 Washington, Quincy, Illinois.

Listed as brothers in the file of RYAN are brother JERRY RYAN, the above mentioned, who was released May 6, 1960, from Menard. JERRY was charged with larceny and was from Adams County, Illinois. Also listed as a brother was JAMES RAY, Quincy, Illinois, no other address shown. It could not be determined if this JAMES E. RAY is identical with subject.

Other relatives noted in the file were MARY MAHER, Tremont Hotel, Quincy, Illinois, who is the grandmother of JOHN LARRY RYAN. Other outgoing communications were to RALPH HOWARD, Indianapolis, Indiana, no other address shown, and a communication in 1960 was directed to JAMES E. RAY, addressed to Leavenworth Prison, Kansas. Again, it is not known or is it shown by the record that this JAMES E. RAY is identical with subject.

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No other information helpful to this investigation was noted in these files.

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417 PM URGENT 5/6/68 JJD

TO DIRECTOR (44-38861) AND SPRINGFIELD (44-561)  
FROM SEATTLE (44-371) 1P

MURKIN

RE FULL COVERAGE OF RELATIVES.

RE SPRINGFIELD TELETYPE TO DIRECTOR AND SAC'S, MAY THREE, LAST.  
TELEPHONE FOUR SEVEN FIVE DASH FOUR FOUR ZERO ZERO AT  
TACOMA, WASHINGTON, IS THE NUMBER OF THE SHERWOOD INN MOTEL.  
PERSONNEL THIS MOTEL HAVE NO RECORD OF SUCH A CALL AND NO  
RECOLLECTION CONCERNING IT. NO ONE AT THIS MOTEL COULD IDENTIFY  
RAY AS EVER BEING A GUEST AT THE MOTEL.

SPRINGFIELD ADVISE IF ANY FURTHER INFORMATION AVAILABLE ✓  
CONCERNING THIS COLLECT CALL OM MARCH FIFTEEN, LAST.

AIRMAIL COPY TO MEMPHIS.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

END

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(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTEL \_\_\_\_\_  
(Priority)

TO : SAC, SPRINGFIELD (44-561)  
FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (44-1114)  
SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Houston airtel to Bureau dated 5/3/68.

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Enclosed herewith for the Springfield Division are  
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- ② - Springfield (Encls. 2)  
1 - Memphis (44-1987)  
1 - Houston (44-1509)  
1 - Chicago

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Approved: [Signature]  
Special Agent in Charge

Sent RI lead M Per Wickwire  
Core @ Roberts

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**AIRTEL**

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*Robert [signature]*

*RT Ld @ Wickwire*

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FROM: SAC, HOUSTON (44-1509)  
SUBJECT: MURKIN  
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- 2 - Charlotte
- 2 - Chicago
- 2 - Cincinnati
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- 2 - Las Vegas
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Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
Special Agent in Charge

*Identify subscriber so initials may be checked*

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<u>ALBUQUERQUE:</u>			
12/17/67	682-9177 (Houston, Texas)	505-243-1331	Albuquerque
12/15/67	468-9836 (Houston)	505-864-8204	Belen, N.M.
<u>BOSTON:</u>			
12/16/67	468-9009 (Houston)	617-944-1569	Reading, Mass.
12/16/68	835-9546 (Beaumont, Texas)	401-723-1085	Pawtucket, R. I.
<u>CHARLOTTE:</u>			
12/15/67	673-9255 (Houston)	919-599-9083	Roxboro, N.C.
12/15/67	886-9976 (Orange, Texas)	704-667-4670	Enka, Candler, N. C.
<u>CHICAGO:</u>			
12/15/67	769-9108 (Vidor, Texas)	312-832-4895	Elmhurst, Ill.
12/17/67	835-8273 Beaumont, Texas	<del>309-786-1824</del>	<del>Rock Island, Ill.</del>
<u>CINCINNATI:</u>			
12/17/67	892-9963 (Beaumont, Texas)	513-681-2839	Cincinnati
12/16/67	453-9015 (Houston, Texas)	614-551-2363	Bartlett, Ohio
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12/15/67	682-9317 (Houston, Texas)	216-641-1461	Cleveland
<u>DETROIT:</u>			
12/17/68	673-9872 (Houston, Texas)	616-861-2456	Shelby, Mich.
<u>EL PASO:</u>			
12/16/67	673-9501 (Houston, Texas)	915-532-9146	El Paso
12/16/67	682-9348 (Houston, Texas)	915-362-4789	Odessa, Texas
12/17/67	468-9878 (Houston, Texas)	915-682-3697	Midland, Texas
<u>JACKSON:</u>			
12/15/67	453-9611 (Houston, Texas)	601-582-3734	Hattiesburg, Miss.
12/16/67	453-9015 (Houston, Texas)	601-372-3537	Jackson
12/15/67	453-9611 (Houston, Texas)	601-722-4497	Seminary, Miss.
12/16/67	886-9011 (Orange, Texas)	801-684-6794	McComb, Miss.
12/17/67	468-9731 (Houston, Texas)	601-428-8829	Laurel, Miss.
12/17/67	835-9023 (Beaumont, Texas)	601-625-8547	Forest, Miss.

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12/15/67	673-9419 (Houston, Texas)	904-675-4970	Jay, Fla.
<u>LAS VEGAS:</u>			
12/17/67	835-9587 (Beaumont, Texas)	702-384-7271	Las Vegas

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<u>JACKSON:</u>			
12/15/67	453-9611 (Houston, Texas)	601-582-3734	Hattiesburg, Miss.
12/16/67	453-9015 (Houston, Texas)	601-372-3537	Jackson
12/15/67	453-9611 (Houston, Texas)	601-722-4497	Seminary, Miss.
12/16/67	886-9011 (Orange, Texas)	801-684-6794	McComb, Miss.
12/17/67	468-9731 (Houston, Texas)	601-428-8829	Laurel, Miss.
12/17/67	835-9023 (Beaumont, Texas)	601-625-8547	Forest, Miss.

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<u>JACKSONVILLE:</u>			
12/15/67	673-9050 (Houston, Texas)	904-623-2008	Milton, Fla.
12/15/67	673-9419 (Houston, Texas)	904-675-4970	Jay, Fla.
<u>LAS VEGAS:</u>			
12/17/67	835-9587 (Beaumont, Texas)	702-384-7271	Las Vegas

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FBI NEWARK

4:03PM URGENT 5-7-68 KXC  
TO SPRINGFIELD (44-561)  
FROM NEWARK (44-854)

MURKIN, CR

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FROM : SA ELYON H. DAVIS

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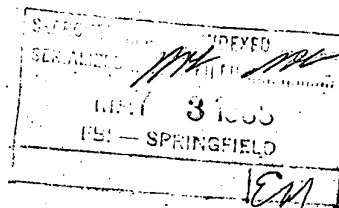
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FLOYD RIFE, 226 Lind Street, Quincy, Illinois

Sergeant ROLAND HANSON, Quincy, Illinois, Police Department

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# Memorandum

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DATE: 5/6/68

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Informant was instructed to work full time concerning the development of any information concerning the whereabouts, activities, or background concerning RAY.

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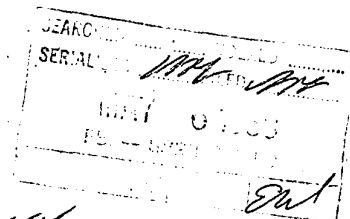
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TO : SAC, SPRINGFIELD (44-561)

FROM : SA JAMES M. BACHMAN P.

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 5/6/68

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HAROLD G. LINDSTEN  
Chief of Police  
Decatur, Illinois;

GORDON PERRY,  
Investigator,  
Christian County Sheriff's Office,  
Taylorville, Illinois;

CLAUDE BARRETT,  
Sheriff,  
DeWitt County,  
Clinton, Illinois;

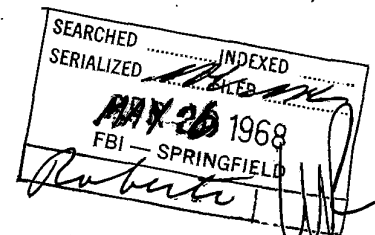
GLENN WADE,  
Sheriff,  
Shelby County Sheriff's Office,  
Shelbyville, Illinois;

W. BRUCE THOMPSON  
Sheriff,  
Moultrie County Sheriff's Office,  
Sullivan, Illinois;

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SPRINGFIELD (44-561)

DATE: 5/6/68

FROM : SA LARRY W. GREEN P.

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re SI tel to CG and Director, 4/26/68.

On 4/29/68, CHARLES E. REED, was interviewed by SA LARRY W. GREEN concerning his knowledge of the present location of JAMES EARL RAY.

*omit* It is noted that the referenced teletype contains the address of REED, as 228 - 6th Street, Madison, Illinois. This address should be corrected to show REED's address as 2028 - 6th Street, Madison, Illinois.

REED stated that he was at the Pontiac State Farm, Pontiac, Illinois, in 1952. He stated that he entered Menard State Penitentiary at Chester, Illinois, in late 1949 and was subsequently transported to Pontiac Prison, Pontiac, Illinois, in late 1950. He stated he remained there on a farm until he was released August 29, 1952. REED stated at the time he was on the prison farm, there were about 150 persons working there. He stated that his job was to deliver the mail to each dormitory daily and that he was familiar generally with every person located on the farm at that time.

When questioned about the subject, REED stated that he does not recall the name nor does he remember associating with a person named JAMES EARL RAY. He stated that he was familiar with the name since it had been in the news frequently in recent days, but it had never come to his attention until now that RAY may have been at Pontiac State Farm while he was there. He further stated that he does not recall any particular person who may have been friends with the subject. It is noted from the referenced teletype that subject entered the farm at Pontiac August 12, 1952. REED recalls that he was dismissed from Pontiac, August 29, 1952. He stated that he was 19 years old at the time he was on the farm. He further

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related that he has not kept in contact with anyone he met while at the farm and knows nothing of the whereabouts of any of the inmates who were incarcerated at the farm while he was there.

REED is described as:

Age	Approximately 38
Height	5' 6"
Weight	140
Hair	Blonde, crew cut
Eyes	Blue
Complexion	Ruddish
	Limps due to a crippled right leg
Marital status	Single, lives with his mother at the above noted address
Employer	Sanitation worker riding on sanitation trucks in the Madison-Granite City, Illinois area

REED has 5 brothers living in the Madison-Granite City area and 1 sister. It is noted from a criminal check at the Madison city PD that CHARLES E. REED has had some credit problems as well as being arrested for speeding and disorderly conduct since his release from Pontiac. (also from Granite City PD records)



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status	Single, lives with his mother at the above noted address
Employer	Sanitation worker riding on sanitation trucks in the Madison-Granite City, Illinois area

REED has 5 brothers living in the Madison-Granite City area and 1 sister. It is noted from a criminal check at the Madison city PD that CHARLES E. REED has had some credit problems as well as being arrested for speeding and disorderly conduct since his release from Pontiac. (also from Granite City PD records)

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Date May 6, 1968

RE:

**MURKIN**

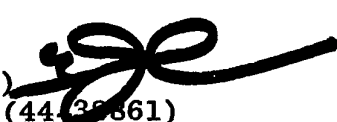
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☐ The enclosed is for your information. If used in a future report, ☐ conceal all sources, ☐ paraphrase contents.

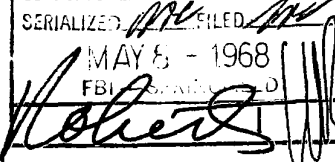
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Remarks:

**Bureau authority not granted to check  
Source 4 on this lead. For info.**

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VIA TELETYPE

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Mr. Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. DeLoach \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Mohr \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Bishop \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Casper \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Callahan \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Conrad \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Felt \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Gale \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Rosen \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Sullivan \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Tavel \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Trotter \_\_\_\_\_  
Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_  
Miss Holmes \_\_\_\_\_  
Miss Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

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URGENT 4/30/68 AVM

TO DIRECTOR (CODEL)

FROM BALTIMORE (44-669) (66-965)

MURKIN; BALTIMORE SOURCE FOUR.

RE SPRINGFIELD TELETYPE APRIL TWENTYFOUR LAST SUGGESTING CHECK  
OF JAMES RAY, SSN [REDACTED]

ON APRIL TWENTYSIX LAST, WILLIAM E. HANNA, JR., DIRECTOR, BUREAU  
OF DATA PROCESSING AND ACCOUNTS, SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION,  
BALTIMORE, MD., CONTACTED SAC AND REQUESTED A CONFERENCE SINCE  
THIS OFFICE HAD SUBMITTED THE NAMES ERIC STARVO GALT WITH  
ALIASES FOR A CHECK OF BALTIMORE SOURCE FOUR.

SAC CONTACTED HANNA, WHO ADVISED HE WAS NOT CERTAIN THE ASSASSINA-  
TION OF DR. KING WAS A CASE WHICH CLEARLY FELL WITHIN THE SCOPE  
OF BUREAU'S AGREEMENT WITH SOCIAL SECURITY. SAC POINTED OUT  
TO HANNA THAT THIS CASE COULD NOT BE CONSIDERED JUST A MURDER  
CASE BUT WAS VERY DEFINITELY A NATIONAL DEFENSE MATTER AND  
THE DISORDERS WHICH FOLLOWED KING'S DEATH SUPPORTED THIS CON-  
TENTION. SAC ADDED THAT THE PRESIDENT AND ATTORNEY GENERAL  
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HAD A PERSONAL INTEREST IN SEEING THAT ALL GOVERNMENT SOURCES WERE CHECKED. HANNA EXPRESSED UNDERSTANDING AND FULL COOPERATION WITH BUREAU'S POSITION AND INTERESTS. HE SUGGESTED HOWEVER, THAT ADDITIONAL REQUESTS FOR BALTIMORE SOURCE FOUR CHECKS IN THIS CASE MIGHT FALL INTO A 'GRAY AREA' AND HE WOULD LIKE SAC TO PERSONALLY CONTACT HIM ON SUCH REQUESTS SO THAT HE COULD CONSIDER DISCUSSING THEM WITH COMMISSIONER BALL OF HEALTH, EDUCATION AND WELFARE.

UACB, BALTIMORE WILL NOT CHECK NAME JAMES RAY, SSN [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED], WITH BALTIMORE SOURCE  
FOUR AS SUGGESTED IN REFERENCED TELETYPE.

UACB, BALTIMORE WILL ONLY CHECK NAMES IN THIS CASE WITH SPECIFIC BUREAU APPROVAL.

MEMPHIS ADVISED BY MAIL.

END

LRC FBI WASH DC

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Date: 5/6/68

Transmit the following in \_\_\_\_\_  
(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL  
(Priority)

TO: SAC, SPRINGFIELD (44-561)

FROM: SAC, DENVER (157-203)

SUBJECT: MURKIN  
CR  
(OO: Memphis)

Re Springfield teletype dated 5/3/68.

Re full coverage of relatives.

On 5/3/68, it was determined from a confidential source, Mountain States Telephone and Telegraph Company, that Denver telephone number 333-5486 is listed to the El Patio Motel, 8400 East Colfax Avenue, Denver. It was also ascertained that this motel is approved by the American Automobile Association and that it is a reputable motel.

On 5/4/68, SA EUGENE J. COBLE was advised by Mr. ORACE BRUNER that he and his wife, VIVIAN, are the only desk clerks at the El Patio Motel and that they work a 7:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. shift. He also stated that they reside at the motel and since the motel doors are locked at 11:00 p.m., they handle any guests who use the night bell or any possible telephone calls during the remainder of the night. He further advised that the number 333-5486 is the listed number for the motel switchboard, which switchboard they handle. He further advised that he and Mrs. BRUNER were on duty on 4/3/68. He also advised that Mr. W. F. MC MURRAY, proprietor of the motel, occasionally assists them on the desk.

- ② - Springfield  
1 - Memphis  
2 - Denver

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*[Handwritten signatures and initials over the stamp]*

Approved: *[Signature]*  
Special Agent in ChargeSent *[Signature]*

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From a check of the motel records, Mr. BRUNER advised that there were only 15 rooms occupied on 4/3/68. He also advised that the motel maintains no record of prepaid incoming long distance telephone calls for guests. A check was made of the collect long distance calls received at the motel from 3/1/68, and there was no record of any such calls being received from Quincy, Illinois. Mr. and Mrs. BRUNER advised they do not recall any long distance calls from Quincy, Illinois, being received by motel guests and they also advised they do not recall any guests resembling JAMES EARL RAY.

From a check of the daily room audit for 4/3/68, it was determined that on that date the following individuals were guests at the motel:

Room 1  
Registration Card No. 27262  
ELMER C. HAYNES, JR.  
708 Ceggia Avenue  
Brownwood, Texas  
Representing U. S. Air Force  
Registered 3/12/68 and stayed until 4/8/68;

Room 2  
Registration Card No. 27335  
EMILIO I. VELEZ  
Calle 7, G4 Alt. De Flamboyon  
Bayamon, Puerto Rico  
Representing National Cash Register Company  
Registered 3/25/68, still there;

Room 3  
Registration Card No. 27417  
E. J. O'CONNOR  
5280 Jay  
Wheat Ridge, Colorado  
Chevrolet, Colorado license RJ 2170  
Representing Ballard and Company;

Room 4  
Registration Card No. 27396  
LEROY JOHNSON  
Laverkin, Utah  
Ford pickup, Utah license  
Representing Stanley Aviation;

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Room 5

Registration Card No. 27321  
JAMES FAGAN  
307 Chestnut Street  
Honey Brook, Pennsylvania  
Registered 3/24/68, left 5/3/68;

Room 6

Registration Card No. 27415  
Mr. and Mrs. DE DUTCHER  
Hubbard or Hibbard Drive  
Jackson, Michigan  
Party of two;

Room 7

Registration Card No. 27412  
PATRICIA PACKER  
4529 Holdrege Street  
Lincoln, Nebraska  
Representing Frontier Airlines  
Staying two nights;

Room 8

Registration Card No. 27399  
J. C. MYERS  
1001 Valley View  
Minot, North Dakota  
License ARR20  
Party of two  
Registered 4/1/68, stayed for four days;

Room 9

Registration Card No. 27416  
Mr. and Mrs. JACK KOWACK (?)  
Limon, Colorado  
Ford, Colorado license 2J625  
Party of two;

Room 10

Registration Card No. 27414  
Mr. and Mrs. JOE YURFECK (?)  
1440 Tuser (?) Road  
Beaver, Pennsylvania  
Pennsylvania license 1A4391  
Party of two;



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Room 11

Registration Card No. 27413

JIM SCHULTZ

1921 Pontiac Drive

Enid, Oklahoma

1967 Chevrolet, Oklahoma license GA 7973

Party of five;

Room 12

Registration Card No. 27408

WALTER E. EHRHARDT

1609 East 62 N.

Gladstone, Missouri

Mustang, Missouri license ST6-473;

Room 14

Registration Card No. 27397

PAUL CHAMBERS and wife

914 Edger (?) or Edgw (?)

Durango, Colorado

Cadillac, Colorado license PR(?) 4145

Party of two;

Room 20

Registration Card No. 27285

RALPH KNOTT

551 South Fourth Avenue

Ann Arbor, Michigan

GMC, Michigan license 8601DE

Representing National Cash Register;

Room 20

Registration Card No. 27310

JOHN W. MELDRUM

549 Taylor Drive

Canonsburg, Pennsylvania

Representing National Cash Register Company

Registered 2/1/68, still there;

Room 22

Registration Card No.

JOHN W. CHEERS

2201 South Smithville Road

Dayton, Ohio

Representing National Cash Register Company, Dayton

Registered 3/3/68, stayed approximately six weeks;

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Room 26

Unable to locate Registration Card  
Mr. WALLEN.

All above guests registered at the motel on 4/3/68,  
except where otherwise indicated.

Mr. BRUNER advised that the motel had had several  
men staying there who were attending the National Cash  
Register Company training school at Denver, Colorado; some of  
them for rather extended periods. He advised that Mr. VELEZ  
and Mr. MELDRUM were still residing there, but that  
Mr. MELDRUM was out of town, having gone back to Pennsylvania  
to visit his family for a few days. Concerning  
Mr. WALLEN, for whom the Registration Card could not be  
located, Mr. BRUNER stated that WALLEN is a frequent guest  
at the motel and that he operates a motel in Estes Park,  
Colorado.

Mr. W. F. MC MURRAY, proprietor of the El Patio  
Motel, advised that he had no recollection of any guests  
receiving any long distance telephone calls either prepaid  
or collect from Quincy, Illinois. He was unable to recall  
any guest resembling the description or photograph of subject.

Mr. EMILIO ISMAEL VELEZ, who has been at the  
El Patio Motel since 3/25/68, advised that he will have been  
employed by the National Cash Register Company, International  
Division, five years by July, 1968. He is a service  
engineer with offices at 556 Munoz Rivera, Hato Rey, Puerto  
Rico, home address same as set out above. He stated he has  
been attending the National Cash Register Company in-service  
training school in Denver. He advised that he has not received  
any long distance calls from Quincy, Illinois, that he is  
not acquainted with anyone in Quincy, Illinois, or vicinity  
and does not recall any guest at the motel since he has been  
there who resembles the photograph or description of subject.  
Mr. VELEZ stated he spends a great deal of his free time in  
the lobby of the motel and has had an opportunity to observe  
many of the guests.