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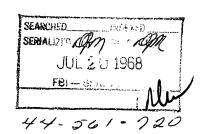
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Ray Gives Up Fight inst Extradition

LONDON (AP) - James Earl Ray gave up his battle against extradition Tuesday and agreed to return to the United States for trial on charges of assassinating Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

He is expected to fly home under heavy guard in the next few days for trial in Memphis, Tenn., in the shooting of the Nobel laurcate there last April 4. Ray, an escaped convict from the Missouri State Penitentiary, Ray could be on a plane heap-was arrested in London June 8. ed for the United States within He has steadily claimed his innocence of the killing.

would not pursue an appeal in the British High Court against a Magistrate's Court order July 2 extraditing him to the United would be turned down. States.

The statement, signed Tuesday morning at a conference with his court-appointed British lawyer, cut short a complicated legal case which had little chance of success.

People who talked to Ray recently in Wandsworth prison said he had been growing restless and tired of waiting. Another factor was the news that the British had refused to continue legal aid for his appeal. He had been granted free legal service for the lower court case.

Ray's statement was signed in an irregular hand, "Ramon George Sneyd." the alias under which he had been held here since his arrest.

It said, "I have made this dic sion after considering all the f#cts, and I believe that this is

the best course of action for me to adopt."

Ray was contending that King's murder was a political crime and therefore he could not be extradited under British law, But he apparently decided several days ago to drop the appeal, which had been set for the High Court before three British judges on July 29.

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His American lawyer, Arthur A legal informant said Ray is flying to London and is due signed a statement declaring he here Wednesday morning. He (Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

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Ray May Be On Way Back

LONDON (AP) — James Earl Ray may be on his way back to the United States tonight or early Thursday to face trial for the killing of Dr. Martin Luther

King Jr.

Ray cleared the way for his return by signing a declaration Tuesday that he did not want to: appeal the order for his extradition issued by London's chief

magistrate on July 2.

It was not known whether Ray's lawyers would deliver hisstatement to the Home Office or whether they would let the 15day period for him to file an appeal expire this afternoon without taking further action.

In either case, Home Secretary James Callaghan could sign the order for Ray's extradi ton before nightfall. He would then be delivered to the U.S. Justice Department for the thansatlantic flight.

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Ray Back In Court Briefly

LONDON (AP) — James Earl Ray made another brief and routine appearance in the Bow Street Magistrate's Court and was sent back to Wandsworth Jail for another eight days. Another court appearance for him was set for July 24.

Ray's British lawyers have indicated they will file their appeal Wednesday against Chief Magistrate Frank Milton's order on July 2 that Ray should be extradited to the United States for trial on charges of murdering Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. A hearing on the appeal is tentatively scheduled for July 29.

Ray was brought into court today because British law requires a prisoner denied bail to be brought before a magistrate each week until his case is settled. Ray was composed and chewing gum at his appearance today.

When the magistrate asked if he had anything to say, he replied: "No, sir."

As always when Ray is before the British court, there were elaborate police precautions. Newsmen and spectators were frisked as they entered the courtroom. Detectives scanned the public gallery throughout the hearing.

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Ray Lawyer Barred From Flight Back

LONDON (AP) — James Earl Ray's Alabama lawyer protested vigorously Wednesday against plans to fly the accused assassin of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. to Memphis, Tenn., without his own legal counsel aboard the plane.

Addressing newsmen after visiting Ray in Wandsworth Prison for 45 minutes, Arthur J. Hanes, former mayor of Birmingham, said Ray had asked him to fly back with him but that U.S. authorities had turned down the request.

"He fears being in company of the Justice Department alone," Hanes said. "I don't know the basis of the fear but he says it and he wants'me to be present."

Ray decided Tuesday not to appeal against extradition any longer, and Hanes arrived in Bondon Wednesday morning.

U.S. officials have steadfastly refused on security grounds to disclose anything about how they will take Ray to the United States.

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To: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-33861)

FROM: SAC, BALTIMORE (44-669)

Subject: Murkin 14-4/

Re Chicago teletype to Bureau, 6/27/68 and Baltimore airtel to Bureau, 7/11/68.

Enclosed under separate cover for Chicago is a list of both members and non-members, National Institute of Dry Cleaning, 7/68 for the states of Illinois, Indiana and Missouri

The enclosed list was obtained from Mrs. CECIL BONAS, National Institute of Dry Cleaning, 909 Burlington Avenue. Silver Spring, Maryland, telephone JU 9 - 2334 on 7/16/68. Mrs. BONAS has advised that the Institute does not have any addressograph equipment and that the list was prepared from IBM Punch Cards. She further advised that the Institute would, at no cost to the FBI, be willing to run off the list of either members, non-members or both from IMB cards to Cheshire labels which could be done in about two days' work. She stated that the Institute does not have equipment to apply the labels but that there are mailing companies in the WDC area which have Cheshire labeling machines to apply the labels to envelopes or circulars.

Mrs. BONAS advised that there is no breakdown by county but that the list is broken down geographically by zip code.

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No additional requests will be made of Mrs. BONAS pending specific instructions from either the Eureau or Chicago in connection with the enclosed list of dry cleaners.

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3:38 PM URGENT 7-24-68 JLS
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FROM SPRINGIELD (44-561) (PP-1)

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RE SI TEL TO BUREAU JULY TWENTYTHREE, LAST,

NEWS MEDIA, POLICE AGENCIES AND BANK OFFICIALS AT THE BANK OF ALTON REPORT NO REACTION TO SYNDICATED COLUMN OF DREW PEARSON APPEARING NATIONALLY JULY TWENTYTVO, LAST.

WILLIAM MAHER, UNCLE OF JAMES EARL RAY, ADVISES HE IS CONVINCED RAY HAS NOT BEEN IN ALTON AT ANYTIME SINCE ESCAPE FROM MSP. MAHER BASES OPINION ON CONTACT WITH RELATIVES AND CONTINUED READING OF KNOWN, ITINERARY OF RAY.

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FROM: SAC, SPRINGFIELD (44-561)

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FROM: SAC, SPRINGFIELD (44-561)

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1203 PM URGENT 7-25-68 MCP

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM: SAC, SPRINGFIELD (44-561) (PP. 1)

MURKIN

RE SI TEL JULY TWENTYFIVE, LAST.

CONTACT INITIATED WITH HOTELS AND MOTELS, GREATER ALTON

AREA INCLUDING DISPLAY OF PHOTOGRAPH OF JAMES EARL RAY. CONTACTS

TO DATE PRODUCED NO IDENTIFICATIONS TO INDICATE RAY IN ALTON

AREA SUBSEQUENT TO ESCAPE MSP.

NO OTHER PERTINENT INFORMATION DEVELOPED TO DATE.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38881)

BAC, CRICAGO (44-1114)

NUMBER: NUMBER 14-56/

De Baltisore airtel to Director 7/23/68, enclosing for Chicago list of members and non-members Mational Institute of Dry Cleaning as of July, 1868, for the States of Illinois, Indiana, and Missouri.

Chicago Office is of the opinion that it would be expeditious to send out circulars to members and non-members of the National Institute of Dry Cleaning through use of chemire labels which Mrs. CECIL BOMAS of the National Institute of Dry Cleaning in Silver Spring, Maryland, volunteered to run off. These labels could then be affixed to the circulars which are to be distributed.

UACB, Baltimore is requested to recontact Ers. BONAS and request that above described labels be prepred.

The Bureau is requested to advise Baltimore whether the prepared circulars will be sent out from the Bureau, Chicago or Springfield.

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FROM: SAC, SPRINGFIELD (44-561) (PP. 1)

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RE SI TEL TO BUREAU JULY TWENTYSIX, LAST.

CONTACT WITH REMAINING HOTELS AND MOTELS, GREATER ALTON

AREA AND DISPLAY OF PHOTOGRAPH JAMES EARL RAY UNPRODUCTIVE.

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FROM: SAC, SPRINGFIELD (44-561) (PR.1)

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INFORMANT WILL BE INTERVIEWED IN DEPTH TO DETERMINE RESULTS OF INQUIRY SINCE LAST CONTACT AND RESULTS REPORTED TO BUREAU.

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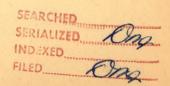
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AIRMAIL.

TO:

SAC. MEMPHIS (44-1987)

FROM:

SAC. SPRINGFIELD (44-561)

SUBJECT:

(OO: MEMPHIS)

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LUCAS advised that about two weeks ago he met a white male who was accompanied by a red headed white girl at the Swank House Tavern in Brooklyn, Illinois, which is an all Negro community. He stated that he spent some time with this couple and went to East St. Louis and drank in some Negro "joints" in East St. Louis with them. He advised that they indicated that they were driving to Tennessee or another Southern State. He stated this white individual had a white and blue De Sota and he recalls that he had tattoos but he recalls little else concerning him.

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It is to be noted that LUCAS is a Negro and he advised he is employed as a laborer at General Steel Industries, Granite City. Illinois, and has been so employed for five years.

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FROM: SAC, SPRINGFIELD (44-561) (PP. 1)

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RE SITEL TO BUREAU JULY THIRTY, LAST.

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TO DIRECTOR (44-38861)

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SAC, SPRINGFIELD (44-561) - P -

DATE: 7/30/68

FROM

SA WILLIAM ROBERTS, III

SUBJECT:

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Re Springfield teletype to Director and Houston airtel to Director, both 5/3/68.

The following investigation was conducted by writer on 5/6/68 concerning the below listed Springfield telephone numbers.

217-528-7019 (See Springfield teletype)

Listed to LAVERNE CLEVENGER, 316 1/2 East Adams, Apartment 2B, employed as a waitress at the State House Inn. Miss CLEVENGER was contacted and advised that she is well acquainted with the owner of the Virginia Hotel, Quincy, Illinois, and that this explains her telephone calls to that number.

217-522-0633 (See Springfield teletype)

Listed to NORMA JEAN DINORA, 214 North 4th Street, Springfield, wife of prominent gambler in Springfield area. Mrs. DINORA was contacted and was not cooperative, stating that she had not telephoned the Virginia Hotel in Quincy.

217-528-2815 (See Houston airtel)

Listed to Mr. ENOCH GRAY, 921 East Reynolds, Springfield, who was contacted and advised that he did not recall the particulars surrounding the telephone call from Beaumont, Texas, to his number in 12/67, although he does vaguely remember receiving the call.

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July 29, 1968

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To: SAC, Chicago

Indianapolis St. Louis zaringfield) Memphis

FROM:

Director, FBI

MURRIN 44-561

Reference Springfield airtel to the Bureau dated 7/18/63.

Eighteen-hundred copies of the circular letter are being mailed to the Chicago and Indianapolis Cifices under separate cover and 700 copies of the circular letter are being mailed under separate cover to the St. Louis Division for distribution to laundry and dry cleaning establishments as per instructions contained in referenced communication.

Fifty copies of the circular letter are being mailed to the Springfield and Momphis Divisions under separate cover for action deemed appropriate by these divisions.

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AIR MAIL

TO:

SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)

FROM:

SAC. SPRINGFIELD (44-561)

SUBJECT:

MURKIN -COST DATA

Re Springfield airtel to Memphis, 7/1/68.

The following are the cost data figures re this matter for the Springfield Division, from 7/1/68 to 7/31/68:

HOURS

Special Agents

Regu	lar	Hours		48
VOT	Hour	S		12
		Tota	1	60

Clerical Employees

Regi	ular	Hours	10
VOT	Hou	rs	2
		Total	79

MILEAGE

Total: 300

AGENTS ON CASE

Total: 7

Out-of-Ordinary Costs

None

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TO:

SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)

FROM:

SAC, SPRINGFIELD (44-561)

SUBJECT:

MURKIN -COST DATA

Re Springfield airtel to Memphis, 7/1/68.

The following are the cost data figures re this matter for the Springfield Division, from 7/1/68 to 7/31/68:

HOURS

Special Agents

Regular Hours 48 VOT Hours 12 Total

B. Clerical Employees

> Regular Hours 10 VOT Hours Total

MILEAGE

Total: 300

AGENTS ON CASE

Total: 7

Out-of-Ordinary Costs

None

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	FROM: SAC, SPRING	FIELD (44-561)	(P	1)	
	MURKIN.				
	RE SPRINGFIEL	D TELETYPE TO BU	REAU JULY	THIRT	YONE LAST
	ROBERT L. STA	NTON INTERVIEWED	MADISON (COUNTY	JAIL,
	EDWARDSVILLE, ILLI	NOIS; DENIES COM	PLICITY I	N BANK	ROBBERY
	AT THE BANK OF ALT	ON.			
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STANTON' MEETS PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION UNSUB NUMBER ONE IN ABOVE BANK ROBBERY; HAS HISTORY OF USING AUTOMATIC PISTOL SIMILAR TO THAT USED BY UNSUB NUMBER ONE AND EMPLOYED PART TIME FOR CAB COMPANY WHICH HAS STAND DIRECTLY ACROSS STREET FROM BANK.

STANTON REPORTED INVESTED HEAVILY IN NEW CABS SHORTLY AFTER BANK ROBBERY.

ALL OF ABOVE BEING FOLLOWED CLOSELY TO VERIFY AND STANTON WILL BE REINTERVIEWED.

MAIL COPIES TO CHICAGO, MEMPHIS AND ST. LOUIS. P,

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM:

SAC, SPRINGFIELD (44-561) (2 PP)

MURKIN.

RE SPRINGFIELD TELETYPE TO BUREAU DATED AUGUST ONE, LAST.

SI SIXTEEN FOURTEEN DASH C ADVISED TODAY HE HAS DEVELOPED INFORMATION THAT ON THE MORNING OF ROBBERY THE BANK OF ALTON HAROLD RICHARD COVINGTON, DELMER GRINDSTAFF. AND JOHN MC CLINTOCK WERE IN STOLEN NINETEEN FIFTY-THREE BUICK WHITE OVER BLUE TWO-DOOR; THAT COVINGTON WAS WEARING DARK BLUE WINDBREAKER, JACKET, AND GLOVES, GRINDSTAFF WAS WEARING LIGHT BLUE AIR FORCE TYPE COVERALLS. CLOTHING DESCRIBED BY INFORMANT POSSIBLY IDENTICAL TO THAT UTILIZED TO UNSUBS INSTANT BR. INFORMANT FOLLOWING INFORMATION CLOSELY TO DETERMINE ACTIVITIES OF COVINGTON, GRINDSTAFF, AND MC CLINTOCK DURING DAY OF ROBBERY AND UNTIL COVINGTON AND MC CLINTOCK LEFT ALTON FOR CALIFORNIA SHORTLY AFTER BR.

INFORMANT FURNISHED NAMES OF BILL DIXON AND GEORGE GOFF AS PERSONS WHO POSSIBLY HAVE INFORMATION CONCERNING ACTIVITIES

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