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TO: DIRECTOR FBI AND MEMPHIS

FROM: SAC, ST. LOUIS (44-775)

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GENE CANTARELL (PROTECT IDENTITY) SIKESTON, MISSOURI
PHONE GR ONE EIGHTEEN ZERO ONE TELEPHONICALLY ADVISED ST.

LOUIS DIVISION THAT HE IS ACQUAINTED WITH CHARLEY ROBERTS
WHO LIVES IN MEMPHIS TENN AND WORKS AT FIRESTONE TIRE
COMPANY THERE. HE LAST SAW ROBERTS IN SIKESTON MISSOURI
TWO MONTHS PRIOR AT WHICH TIME ROBERTS SAID HE HAD RECENTLY
PURCHASED A THIRTY ZERO SIX RIFLE TO KILL MARTIN LUTHER
KING. ROBERTS LAST KNOWN TO BE DRIVING A WHITE MUSTAND,
YEAR UNKNOWN. ACCORDING TO CANTARELL, ROBERTS HAS PRIOR
ARREST RECORD WITH MEMPHIS PD FOR ASSAULT. HIS PRESENT
WHEREABOUTS UNKNOWN; DESCRIBED AS WHITE, MALE, AGE TWO THREE,
MEDIUM HEIGHT AND BUILD, LIGHT BROWN HAIR, GREEN EYES, SILLY
GRIN.

MEMPHIS CONSIDER AS SUSPECT AND OBTAIN IDENTIFYING DATA

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DIRECTOR (44-38861), MEMPHIS, ALBANY, KANSAS CITY

FROM:

ST. LOUIS (44-775)

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REBUTEL TO ALL CONTINENTAL OFFICES, APRIL NINE INSTANT. INVESTIGATION IN ST. LOUIS REFLECTS THAT ALL THERMAL SEAL MARKING MACHINES AND TAGS IN MISSOURI ARE SOLD AND SERVICED BY AL DAVIS, TEXTILE MARKING MACHINE COMPANY, KANSAS CITY, MO. AND NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS IN SYRACUSE, N.Y.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT ALBANY DIVISION CONTACT TEXTILE MARKING MACHINE COMPANY AT SYRACUSE, N. Y., AND OBTAIN LISTS OF THERMAL SEAL DISTRIBUTORS AND SET FORTH LEADS FOR THEM TO BE CONTACTED.

KANSAS CITY CONTACT AL DAVIS AND SECURE LISTS OF CLEANERS IN HIS TERRITORY WHO UTILIZE THESE MACHINES AND TAGS.

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TO BUREAU (44-38861), BIRMINGHAM (44-1740), MEMPHIS (44-1987), AND NEW ORLEANS

FROM ST. LOUIS (44-775)

MURKIN: CR 00:ME

RE BH TEL CALL AND TEL TO BU AND SL 4-9-68 RE SUSPECT ERIC SERVO GALT AND RELATIVE KARL GALT, TWO FIVE ONE FIVE LAFAYETTE ST. SEMO.

THERE IS NO TWENTY-FOUR HUNDRED OR TWENTY-FIVE HUNDRED BLOCK
IN ST. LOUIS CITY OR ST. LOUIS COUNTY. CHECK OF SL CITY AND COUNTY
DIRECTORIES CONTAINS NO LISTING FOR ERIC SERVO GALT OR KARL GALT.
TELEPHONE DIRECTORY NEGATIVE. SL INDICIES AND RECORDS SLPD NEGATIVE
FOR BOTH INDIVIDUALS. ALL LOGICAL PUBLIC SOURCE RECORDS BEING CHECKED
INCLUDING LOCAL BARGE LINES AND INS. ALL INDIVIDUALS WITH SURNAME
GALT IN ST. LOUIS WILL BE INTERVIEWED UNDER SUITABLE PRETEXT IN EFFORT
TO IDENTIFY ERIC AND KARL GALT. UACB NMU OF A RECORDS BEING CHECKED.
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1-32AM URGENT 4-9-68 HFL

TO MEMPHIS (44-1987) CLEVELAND (44-565) ST LOUIS (44-775) FROM DIRECTOR

MURKIN;

RE CV TELEPHONE CALL AND TELETYPE APRIL EIGHT; SL TELETYPE APRIL EIGHT; MI TELEPHONE CALL APRIL EIGHT.

REMAINING UNIDENTIFIED LATENT FINGERPRINTS THIS CASE NOT

IDENTICAL FINGERPRINTS ALFRED JOSEPH KAMINSKI, ARMY SERVICE NUMBER

FBI NUMBER FOUR EIGHT ONE

FOUR TWO NINE E; TOMMIE ROBERT HENDERSON, FBI NUMBER SEVEN ONE NINE THREE TWO ZERO C; THEODORE J. ADANK, FBI NUMBER THREE EIGHT SEVEN ONE ZERO EIGHT ZERO; ALLAN PAUL ADANK, FBI NUMBER EIGHT NINE ZERO ZERO NINE D; OR ROBERT THOMAS LANHAM, JR. FBI NUMBER SEVEN SIX ONE SIX ONE FIVE E. NO PALM PRINTS AVAILABLE FOR THESE INDIVIDUALS.

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675 PM URGENT 4-9-68 GDM

TO DIRECTOR MEMPHIS , ST. LOUIS AND NEW ORLEANS
FROM BIRMINGHAM (44-1740) (P)

MURKIN, CR. 00: MEMPHIS.

RE BIRMINGHAM TELEPHONE CALL TO SL THIS DATE.

RE SUSPECT ERIC SERVE GALT

ON AUG. TWENTYNINE - THIRTY, L'AST, GALT PURCHASED NINETEEN

SIXTYSIX WHITE MUSTANG HARDTOP WITH RED INTERIOR FROM WILLIAM D.

PAISLEY, BIRMINGHAM, FOR NINETEEN HUNDRED NINETYFIVE DOLLARS CASH.

DURING CONVERSATION WITH PAISLEY, GALT CLAIMED HE HAD BANK ACCCOUNT

AT BIRMINGHAM TRUST NATIONAL BANK AND HAD WORKED AS A "BARGER OUT

OF ST. LOUIS", EXPLAINING HE WORKED ON RIVER BARGE BETWEEN ST. LOUIS

AND NEW ORLEANS. GALT TOLD PAISLEY HIS DIVORCED WIFE PRESENTLY

LIVED ON ROCKY RIDGE ROAD OR DOLLY RIDGE ROAD, BIRMINGHAM. EFFORTS

TO IDENTIFY DIVORCED WIFE NEGATIVE.

BANKS RECORDS DISCLOSED GALT RENTED SAFETY DEPOSIT BOX

AUG. TWENTYEIGHT, LAST, AND IN DECEMBER, NINETEEN SIXTYSEVEN,

ANSWERED PAYMENT DEMAND FOR BOX RENTAL BY SAYING HE WAS MOVING TO

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LOUISIANA. LETTER CAME FROM BATON ROUGE. IN APPLYING FOR SAFETY
DEPOSIT BOX, GALT LISTED NEAREST RELATIVE AS KARL GALT, TWO FIVE
ONE FIVE LAFAYETTE, ST. LOUIS, MO.

ALABAMA DRIVERS LICENSE ISSUED TO GALT SHOWS HE IS W/M, BORN

FIVE FEET ELEVEN INCHES, ONE

HUNDRED SEVENTYFIVE POUNDS, BLUE EYES AND BROWN HAIR.

ST. LOUIS IMMEDIATELY ATTEMPT TO FULLY IDENTIFY SUSPECT GALT
THROUGH MARITIME UNION AND APPROPRIATE RECORD CHECKS AND THROUGH
DISCREET INQUIRY RE NEAREST RELATIVE KARL GALT. ALSO ATTEMPT TO
IDENTIFY DIVORCED WIFE AND OBTAIN ALL POSSIBLE BACKGROUND INFORMATION

NEW ORLEANS AT BATON ROUGE, LA., IN ADDITION TO ATTEMPTS TO

IDENTIFY GALT THROUGH MARITIME UNION CONDUCT APPROPRIATE RECORD

CHECKS.

FOR INFORMATION ST. LOUIS AND NEW ORLEANS, ALL INVESTIGATION
RE GALT DIRECTED TOWARDS OBTAINING PHOTOGRAPH AND HANDWRITING AT
EARLIEST POSSIBLE TIME. EXPEDITE.

LEADS FURNISHED TO ST. LOUIS BY RE TELEPHONE CALL.

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		JACKSON (157-9586 RKIN. CR	)	
	RE.	INTEL CALL TO TYLER,	TEXAS RA APR	IL EIGHT, SIXTYEIGHT.
	ME	MPHIS BY TELETYPE TO	DIRECTOR DATE	ED APRIL SEVEN,
	LAST, A	VISED THAT IN CONNE	CTION WITH VAI	RIOUS ITEMS WHICH MAY
BE OF EVIDENCE IN INSTANT CASE, TWO CANS OF SCHLITZ BE			OF SCHLITZ BEER WERE	
	RECOVER	ED FROM A BLUE OVERN	IGHT BAG DROP	PED BY SUSPECT IN
		THESE SCHLITZ BEE	/	NSIDE A LARGE BROWN REGISTERED TO GRAHAM
Jeg 1	PAPER C	o., st. lettis, mo.	BEER CANS BORI	E MISS. STATE TAX
J. Br	STAMP N	UMBERS ZERO THREE OV	ER ONE FIVE E	IGHT. THE MEMPHIS
	OFFICE	ADVISED THEY WERE NO	T AWARE OF TH	E EXACT SIGNIFICANCE
	OF THES	E NUMBERS, BUT THAT	POSSIBILITY E	XISTED NUMBERS MIGHT
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THE JACKSON OFFICE WAS REQUESTED TO EXPLORE THE SIGNIFICANCE AND POSSIBLE MEANING OF NUMBERS OR TAX STAMP. IF THE
NUMBERS DESIGNATED A PARTICULAR AREA SERVED BY A DISTRIBUTOR
IN MISS., IT WAS REQUESTED THAT JACKSON ALSO DETERMINE WHAT
RETAILERS APPEAR IN SAME AREA MIGHT ALSO POSSIBLY USE PAPER
BAG BEARING ABOVE IDENTIFYING DATA.

MR. JAMES JONES, TOBACCO, BEER, AND PRIVILEGE TAX DIVISION, MISS. STATE TAX COMMISSION, JACKSON, MISS., ADVISED THIS DATE THAT NUMBERS ON TAX STAMP EFFECTED BY SCHLITZ BREWING CO., LONGVIEW, TEXAS, AT TIME BEER IS CANNED AND FOR NO PARTICULAR SIGNIFICANCE TO MISS. TAX COMMISSION. MR. JONES ADVISED THAT BREWERY AT LONGVIEW, TEXAS, MIGHT POSSIBLY ATTRIBUTE SIGNIFICANCE TO NUMBERS ON TAX STAMP AND MIGHT CONCEIVABLY BE ABLE TO ADVISE DISTRIBUTOR TO WHICH INSTANT CANS SHIPPED.

AS A RESULT OF REFERENCED TEL CALL, SA CHARLES L. BROWN, RA, TYLER, TEXAS, ADVISED THAT HIS INITIAL INQUIRY AT SCHLITZ

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BREWING COMPANY, LONGVIEW, TEXAS, INDICATES THAT ABOVE

CAPTIONED NUMBERS INDICATE THAT BEER WAS CANNED ON MARCH

FIFTEEN, SIXTYEIGHT, AND SUBSEQUENTLY SHIPPED TO STATE OF

MISS. NO OTHER SIGNIFICANCE CAN BE ATTACHED TO THIS NUMBER.

SCHLITZ BREWERY RECORDS INDICATE STATE OF MISS. HAS FIFTEEN

DISTRIBUTORS. IDENTITY OF THESE DISTRIBUTORS BEING

DETERMINED IN EVENT FURTHER IDENTIFYING INFORMATION RELATIVE

TO BEER CANS IS OBTAINED.

HILLIS MC LEMORE, MANAGER, GRAHAM PAPER CO., JACKSON, MISS., ADVISED THIS DATE NAME "HOMESTEAD" IS TRADE NAME FOR BAGS DISTRIBUTED BY THEIR COMPANY. BAG IN QUESTION COULD HAVE BEEN MANUFACTURED IN NUMBER OF MILLS WHICH MANUFACTURE BAGS FOR GRAHAM UNDER TRADE NAME, AND POSSIBLY THE POINT OF MANUFACTURE COULD BE IDENTIFIED BY EXAMINATION OF BAG ITSELF AT ST. LOUIS. STATED COULD POSSIBLY RECOGNIZE DIE USED TO IMPRINT TRADE NAME, AS DIE COULD BE DIFFERENT AT EACH OF THE MILLS. NINETY PERCENT OF HIS BUSINESS IN STATE OF

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MISSISSIPPI IS SALES TO JOBBERS WHO IN TURN SELL TO INDIVIDUAL STORES OR RETAILERS.

THE MEMPHIS DISTRIBUTOR, CHRIS REHKOPF, COVERS NORTHERN
MISSISSIPPI AND NEW ORLEANS OFFICE COVERS SOUTHERN MISSISSIPPI.

IF GIVEN SIZE OF BAG EACH DISTRIBUTOR COULD TELL TO WHICH

JOBBERS HE HAD SOLD BAGS OF THAT SIZE WITHIN PAST THREE MONTHS.

IT WOULD THEN BE NECESSARY TO FIND OUT FROM JOBBERS TO WHOM

THEY HAD SOLD BAGS.

DALLAS AT LONGVIEW TEXAS EXPEDITE COVERAGE OF LEAD AND ADVISE BUREAU AND MEMPHIS.

BUREAU, JACKSON, AND MEMPHIS RESULTS FOLLOW BY THREE ZERO TWO'S TO MEMPHIS.

MEMPHIS WILL INTERVIEW CHRIS REHKOPF, MEMPHIS DISTRIBUTOR,
AND CONSIDER EXHIBIT OF BAG FOR EXAMINATION TO DETERMINE TO
WHICH JOBBERS HE HAS SOLD BAGS FOR PAST THREE MONTHS.

AM COPIES TO NEW ORLEANS AND ST. LOUIS.

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453PM URGENT 4-10-68 LJL

TO DIRECTOR, MEMPHIS, NEW YORK, PHILADELPHIA, ATLANTA,
DALLAS, SAN FRANCISCO, LOS ANGELES, CHICAGO AND ST. LOUIS.
FROM CLEVELAND (44-565) 2P

MURKIN. 00: MEMPHIS.

RE SUSPECT ERIC STARVO GALT.

RE BUREAU TEL TO ALL CONTINENTAL OFFICES APRIL TEN INSTANT.

RAY MOSSHART, FORMER BUAGENT, ARSON AND FRAUD DIVISION,

AMERICAN INSURANCE ASSOCIATION, (AIS), WILLIAMSON BLDG.,

CLEVELAND, OHIO CONTACTED RE CAPTIONED SUSPECT, IT BEING NOTED

AIS MAINTAINS REGIONAL NAME INDEX BUREAUS THROUGHOUT THE U.S.

OF ALL TYPES INSURANCE CLAIMS, PERSONAL INJURY AND OTHERWISE.

MOSSHART ADVISED CV INDEX BUREAU INDICES NEGATIVE RE GALT

BUT NOTED THE CLEVELAND FILES COVER A FIVE STATE AREA ONLY.

HE NOTED ADDITIONAL REGIONAL OFFICES ARE LOCATED IN ATLANTA,

CHICAGO, DALLAS, LOS ANGELES, PHILADELPHIA, SAN FRANCISCO,

ST. LOUIS AND NEW YORK CITY WITH EXECUTIVE OFFICES AND A FOREIGN

BUREAU ALSO LOCATED AT NEW YORK CITY.

GENERALLY, RECORDS OF ABOVE OFFICES ARE AVAILABLE ONLY

TO INSURANCE PEOPLE AND ATTORNEYS, BUT IN VIEW OF COOPERATIVE

ATTITUDE ON PART OF REGIONAL CLEVELAND OFFICE, IT IS SUGGESTED

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CV 44-565 PAGE TWO RECEIVING OFFICES TACTFULLY ATTEMPT TO CHECK SUSPECT'S NAME THROUGH THESE INDEX BUREAUS. END MPB FBI ST LOUIS

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SA EDWARD M. MORELAND

SUBJECT:

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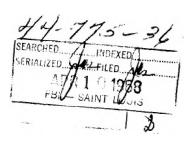
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On 4/8/68, at 5:25 p.m., Supervisor ED MC DONOUGH, Division #6, SOG, telephonically inquired as to whether or not SL investigation had resolved the matter involving THOMAS R. HENDERSON, who was in contact with Rev. GIBSON.

Mr. MC DONOUGH was advised that this matter had been resolved whereupon he stated that the Department of Justice had inquired as to whether or not there had been anything to this information.

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TO :

SAC, ST. LOUIS

ATTENTION:

(44-775)

DATE:

4-10-68

FROM :

SA PETERSON

SA AUBREY D. PARK

SUBJECT:

There are two laundries in Rolla, Missouri.

WAYNE EDMUNDSON, Manager, BUSY BEE LAUNDRY, advised 4-9-68, his laundry does not use the thermo seal marking machine.

JIM POWELL, owner, MODERN CLEANERS AND LAUNDRY and RAPID SERVICE LAUNDRY AND CLEANING, advised his laundry does not use the thermo seal marking machine.

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410 PM URGENT 4/10/68 PHM

TO ST. LOUIS

FROM KANSAS CITY 44-760

MURKIN

REBUTEL TO ALL CONTINENTAL OFFICES APRIL NINE LAST.
AND ST. LOUIS TEL TO BUREAU APRIL NINE, LAST.

MR. ALVIE A. DAVIS, MIDWEST FACTORY REPRESENTATIVE FOR THERMO SEAL MARKING MACHINES MANUFACTURED BY TEXTILE MARKING MACHINE CO., SYRACUSE, NY, ADVISED THE ONLY FIVE CHARACTER THERMO SEAL MARKING MACHINE IN THE ST. LOUIS DIVISION WOULD BE AT THE HOLLIS E. SUITS LAUNDRY, ST. LOUIS, MO.

ST. LOUIS AT ST. LOUIS, MO., CONTACT ABOVE LAUNDRY AS DIRECTED IN REBUTEL.

IT IS NOTED IN RETEL THIS MUST BE GIVEN TOP PRIORITY TO

INSURE THESE CHECKS ARE IMMEDIATELY RUN OUT. UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES

SHOULD ANYONE BE TOLD THIS INVESTIGATION IS IN CONNECTION WITH

CAPTIONED MATTER.

MEMPHIS ADVISED AIR MAIL.

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FROM:

ST. LOUIS (44-775)

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OO: MEMPHIS

RE SUSPECT LAUNDRY MARK

KC TEL TO SL INSTANT DATE ADVISED THAT CONTACT WITH ALVIE A. DAVIS, MIDWEST REP FOR THERMAL SEAL REFLECTED THAT THE ONLY LAUNDRY IN ST. LOUIS DIVISION UTILIZING FIVE DIGIT MARKING MACHINE IS HOLLIS SUITS LAUNDRY, ST. LOUIS.

MC CAULEY SUITS, OFFICE MANAGER, HOLLIS SUITS, ONE
FOUR ZERO ZERO RUSSELL, ST. LOUIS ADVISED INSTANT DATE
THAT HIS FIRM USES ONLY THREE DIGITS OF THEIR FIVE DIGIT
MACHINE AS FOLLOWS: FIRST DIGIT LETTER AND SECOND AND
THIRD DIGITS NUMERALS. SUITS STATED TO HIS KNOWLEDGE
THEY HAVE NEVER USED O TWO B DASH SIX OR D TWO B DASH SIX.

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TO ALL CONTINENTA OFFICES
FROM DIRECTOR 44-38861 IP

MURKIN 00: MEMPHIS.

RE: SUSPECT ERIC STARVO GALT

IMMEDIATELY CHECK YOUR INDICIES, ALL STATE SELECTIVE
SERVICE HEADQUARTERS, CITY AND TELEPHONE DIRECTORIES,

DRIVERS LICENSE BUREAUS, MOTOR VEHICLE DIVISIONS, FINANCIAL
INSTITUTIONS, CONDUCT CREDIT AND CRIMINAL CHECK AND
CONTACT OTHER LOGICAL SOURCES TO OBTAIN ANY INFORMATION
WHATSOEVER RE SUSPECT GALT. DRIVERS LICENSE ISSUED IN
ALABAMA DESCRIBES GALT AS WHITE MALE, BORN

FIVE FEET ELEVEN INCHES, ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY-FIVE POUNDS, BLUE EYES, BROWN HAIR.

THIS MUST BE GIVEN TOP PRIORITY AND ALL LEADS MUST BE COVERED BY TELETYPE TO THOROUGHLY RESOLVE. NO INDICATION TO BE GIVEN THAT THIS LEAD IS IN CONJUNCTION WITH MURKIN CASE.

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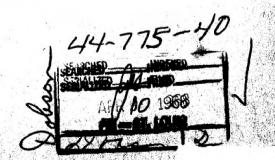
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FBI BIRMGHAM 1043PM IMMEDIATE 4-10-68 HEP TO DIRECTOR AND ALL SACS FROM BIRMINGHAM (44-1740) 1P.

MURKIN

ERIC STARVO GALT. TWO SIX ZERO EIGHT HIGHLAND AVENUE SOUTH, BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA, REGISTERED OWNER OF WHITE NINETEEN SIXTYSIX MUSTANG, VIN SIX T ZERO SEVEN C ONE NINE BEARING NINETEEN SIXTYEIGHT ALABAMA LICENSE NINE THREES IS PRIME SUSPECT IN THIS CASE.

ALL OFFICES CHECK ABOVE VIN FOR POSSIBLE RE-REGISTRATION. NO INDICATION TO BE GIVEN THAT THIS LEAD IS IN CONJUNCTION

WITH MURKIN CASE.

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AND MIAMI

FROM: ST. LOUIS (44-775)

MURKIN CR OO: MEMPHIS

RE SUSPECT ERIC STARVO GALT

CHECK OF INS FILES ST LOUIS REFLECTS THAT ONLY

INDIVIDUAL WITH SURNAME GALT HANDLED BY THAT OFFICE HAS

BEEN PAULA SIMONE GALT, FEMALE BORN NINETEEN ZERO EIGHT

IN PARIS FRANCE, INS FILE A SEVEN TWO FIVE THREE EIGHT SIX

ZERO. ENTIRE FILE FORWARDED TO INS MIAMI IN NOVEMBER NINETEEN

SIXTY SEVEN. St. Credit + Criminal Checks regular re

MIAMI CHECK INS FILE OF PAULA GALT AND DETERMINE IF

ERIC OR KARL GALT RELATED TO HER.

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TO: DIRECTOR (44-38861) BERMINGHAM (44-1740) MEMPHIS (44-1987)

FROM: ST. LOUIS (44-775)

MURKIN CR OO: MEMPHIS
RE SUSPECT ERIC STARVO GALT

RE SL TELETYPE INSTANT DATE

FOLLOWING RECORDS SL CITY AND COUNTY NEGATIVE THIS

DATE AS TO SUSPECT AND RELATIVE KARL GALT:

BIRTH, DEATH, MARRIAGE, AND PORTION OF DIVORCE;

BOARDS OF EDUCATION; BARGE LINES; NMU AND SEAFARERS INTERNATIONAL UNIONS; RIVER PUBLICATION "THE WATERWAYS JOURNAL"; VOTERS

REGISTRATION; MPRC AND FRC RECORDS; CITY EARNINGS TAX;

LA IRS AND ALL METROPOLITAN BANKS FOR ANY ACCOUNTS OR

FINANCIAL DEALS IN RECORDS: TAXE

INS RECORDS HAVE ONLY ONE ALIEN WITH SURNAME GALT:

PAULA SIMONE. BUREAU AND MIAMI HAVE BEEN SEPARATELY ADVISED

OF HER FILE.

LAFAYETTE AVENUE SKIPS FROM NINETEEN ZERO SEVEN TO
TWENTY THREE TOWENTY TWO AND ALSO FROM THENTY THREE FIVE FIVE
TO TWENTY SIX ZERO FIVE. EXHAUSTIVE NEIGHBORHOOD INVESTIGATION
THOSE BLOCKS AS WELL AS LOGICAL VARIATIONS OF LISTED ADDRESS
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RE SUSPECT ERIC STARVO GALT

RE SL TEL INSTANT DATE

FOR INVESTIGATIVE ASSISTANCE OF MIAMI, BIRMINGHAM TEL FOUR NINE LAST ADVISED SUSPECT GALT PURCHASED SIXTY SIX MUSTANG IN BIRMINGHAM LAST AUGUST. A CLAIMED HE WAS A "BARGER" WORKING ON THE MISSISSIPPI. APPLYING FOR SAFETY DEPOSIT BOX IN BIRMINGHAM. GALT LISTED HIS NEAREST RELATIVE AS KARL GALT, TWENTY FIVE FIFTEEN LAFAYETTE, ST. LOUIS, MO. ALABAMA DRIVERS LICENSE OF ERIC GALT SHOWS HIM TO BE W/M BORN

INVESTIGATION IN ST. LOUIS E FAILED TO REFLECT ANY INFORMATION RE EITHER GALT. LAFAYETTE ADDRESS IS NON-EXISTANT.

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FBI ST LOUIS

FBI-HOUSTON

912AM URGENT 4-11-68 JLN

TO MEMPHIS, ST. LOUIS (44-755)

FROM HOUSTON (44-1509) 1P

MURKIN, CR.

RE ST. LOUIS TEL, APR. TEN, LAST.

COURTNEY ALLEN, VP SIOUX CITY AND NEW ORLEANS BARGE
LINES, HOUSTON, TEX., ADVISED CHECK OF COMPANY RECORDS ONE
NINE FIVE THREE TO DATE REFLECTS NO EMPLOYMENT RECORD FOR AN
ERIC STARVO GALT.

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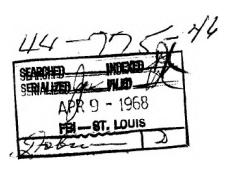
At 8:50 PM, \$/1/68 NELSON KIRKWOOD, News Director, WIL News advised he had learned through ABC news, New York, that LYNN RAY CLEVELAND, 2351 Whitmore Place, St. Louis, Missouri is in custody at Joplin, Missouri as a suspect in the murder of Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING.

CIE VELAND was arrested at Joplin after a call from the operators of the CORAL MOTEL, Joplin, who claimed that CLEVELAND acted strangely while watching the funeral of Dr. King. Kirkwood stated his impression is that KIRKWOOD-is-a CLEVELAND is a mental case.

Kirkwood furthur advised that he checked the address given by CLEVELAND, and found a listing to CHARLES HYSLOP, 2351 Whitmore Pl. Mrs. Hyslop confirmed that CLEVELAND rents a room from her, but declined to furnish any other information.

Kirkwood stated he also telephoned Joplin where he talked to the Chief of Police. He confirmed that CLEVELAND is in custody in that city and would be held a maximum of 20 hours unless charged. The Chief reported that the FBI is presently interrogating CLEVELAND. He furnished the suspects DOB as at Palmer, Texas.

St. Louis indices negative regarding CLEVELAND. The St. Louis Telephone Directory reflects a listing for CHARLES L. HYSLOP at 2351 Whittmor Place, PR 3-0001.





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## Memorandum

TO

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4/10/68

FROM :

SA J. ROBERT MEIGS

SUBJECT:

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At 10:20 a.m., on April 10, 1968, Mrs. HELEN WALSA, in charge of the Travelers Aid Society at the Greyhound Bus Station, advised that she had some information relative to LYNN RAY CLEVELAND, who had been picked up, she believes in Kansas City, Missouri, in connection with the murder of Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

She stated that CLEVELAND has been in her office on several occasions, the last time being on January 20, '1968, at which time he indicated he had been living with people by the name of FISHBACK, at 2337 Whitmore Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri. She said CLEVELAND gave the address of his parents as Box 9260, Palmer, Texas.

Mrs. WALSH stated that CLEVELAND told her he was a mental case and had been in a mental hospital, place unknown. He further stated that he had attended Baylor University and was a hard-core Southern Baptist.

Mrs. WALSH stated that she believes the newspaper indicated that CLEVELAND was released after being questioned but she thought the information in her files may be of some assistance to this office.

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SA J. ROBERT MEIGS

SUBJECT:

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On 4-10-68, an individual who refused to identify himself advised that he had observed the newspaper sketch alleged to be the likeness of the individual who killed Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING. The anonymous individual said that this sketch bears a definite resemblance to WILL JOHNS who is an insurance salesman for the Firemen's Fund Insurance Co., 14 S. 4th St., SLMO. He stated that this individual is a young white man, about 5'10", 160 lbs., with sandy receding hair.

The caller stated that he knows nothing specific which would associate JOHNS with the killing of KING and does not know where JOHNS lives or what type of automobile he drives.

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TO INDIANAPOLIS ST. LOUIS

FROM DIRECTOR 1P

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ARMY SOURCES ADVISED THIS SERIAL NUMBER ASSIGNED

TO DONNIE LEON HARDEN WHO ENTERED U.S. ARMY MAY ONE.

FIFTY-EIGHT. AT MONTGOMERY. ALABAMA. RECRUITING STATION.

HARDEN DESCRIBED AS SEVENTY-THREE INCHES TALL. ONE NINE

SEVEN POUNDS. BLUE EYES. BLOND HAIR. BORN

IN CONECUH COUNTY, ALABAMA.

ST. LOUIS AND INDIANAPOLIS SHOULD CHECK ARMY
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### FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Data	April	10,	1968	

A review of the Army service record for DONNIE LEON my Serial Number , on file at the Military HARDEN, Army Serial Number Personnel Records Center, St. Louis, Missouri, disclosed that HARDEN served in the U.S. Army on active duty from May 1, 1958 at Montgomery, Alabama, to honorable discharge from active duty and transferred to the Reserve at Oakland, California, March 31, 1961. He thereafter entered on active duty in the Army at Montgomery, Alabama on May 22, 1963, and served until honorable discharge due to hardship at Fort Sam Houston, Texas, June 4, 1965. Rank at time of discharge was Specialist Fourth Grade. He also had inactive service in the Alabama National Guard, April 21, 1955 to April 30, 1958, and May 15, 1962 to December 17, 1962. He served in the inactive U. S. Army Reserve from April 1, 1961 to April 30, 1962. His military occupation was listed as Communications Center Specialist. His civilian occupation was listed as Welder, Farmer and Musician (singing and guitar). The file failed to show any courts-martial or absences without official leave but did indicate a reduction in rank in December, 1962, while in the National Guard due to inefficiency. No details appear.

Top secret clearance was granted him on September 30, 1958, based on a background investigation completed September 24, 1958 by the Army Security Agency, Third Army Area, Dossier Number

The following description appeared in the file:

Race White
Sex Male
Height 6'2"
Weight 235 pounds
Hair Brown
Eyes Born

Conecuh County, Alabama
Relatives
VADA HARDEN, nee Colburn, wife;
born 1934, Texas; date and
place of marriage - not shown.

On	4/10/68	St. Louis, Missouri	File #_SL 44-775-57	
	IC R. DOUGLAS	KING/jtc	4/10/68	

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Parents LEON and ALICE HARDEN,

Route C,

Evergreen, Alabama

Brother PAUL M. HARDEN,

Route C,

Evergreen, Alabama

LARRY H. HARDEN,

Route C,

Evergreen, Alabama

Parents-in-law SAM and SYBIL COLBURN,

701 Roxella, Houston, Texas

Social Security Number

Selective Service Registrant of Local Board 18,

Evergreen, Alabama,

Character References

Brother

(All Evergreen, Alabama)

J. C. JOHNSON, Sheriff's Department; DELMA BOWERS, Southern Coach and Body

Company;

ROBERT KENDALL, State Senator;

WILEY SALTER, State Representative; MABRY COOK, Cook's Service Station.

Employments were listed as follows:

June, 1956 to August, 1956: A. W. Williams Drilling Company, West Virginia Street, Mobile, Alabama, supervisor, SAM HAGERMAN;

September, 1956 to November, 1956: Fletcher and King, Andalusia, Alabama; LEELAND FLETCHER, supervisor;

November, 1956 to April, 1958: Southern Coach and Body Company, Evergreen, Alabama; supervisor, DELMA BOWERS;

April, 1961 to December, 1961: Southern Coach and Body Company, Evergreen, Alabama;

May, 1962 to August, 1962: Conecuh County Survey Department, Evergreen, Alabama; supervisor, MARLON WILKINS;

September, 1962 to November, 1962: Brown and Root Construction Company, Houston, Texas; PAUL JAMES, supervisor;

November, 1962 to March, 1963: Peden Iron and Steel Company, Houston, Texas; ARCHIE VERHAGEN, supervisor;

April, 1963 to May, 1963: Southern Coach and Body Company, Evergreen, Alabama; supervisor, CLEVE GARNLY.

Throughout his service his home address is listed as Route C, Evergreen, Alabama. In 1963, an address of 6125 Ridgemont Avenue, Houston, Texas appeared and his address at the time of final discharge was listed as 701 Roxella, Houston, Texas.

He has blood group "O". He received an expert's badge in the M1 carbine. He had foreign service of one year, eight months, and 15 days in the Pacific Theater.

A letter from his wife appeared in the file dated April 2, 1965, addressed to Lieutenant General J. L. RICHARDSON, Fort Houston, Texas, which alleged that HARDEN had made false statements in applying for a hardship discharge. She stated HARDEN had indicated he was going to run his father's firm in Evergreen, Alabama, and that she was a nervous wreck worrying about him going overseas, all of which was untrue. She stated that he had a job waiting for him at Brown and Root Construction Company as a heavy equipment operator. She further stated that he had been a different man since his service in Okinawa as he had beaten her several times and had spent one night in jail on arrest by the Alamo Heights Police Department in San Antonio, Texas for having beaten her. She stated his temper and filthy language were terrible. She stated she had tried to leave him but had been told by him he would kill her and all three of their children if she did. She stated he purchased a rifle and cartridges the following day. She stated he had torn up several pieces of their furniture, half of her clothing, broken her watch, and had choked her on several occasions. She further alleged mistreatment of their 15 month old son.

The file further reflected a statement by HARDEN that his wife had previously suffered a complete nervous

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breakdown and that she apparently was approaching a similar breakdown at the time of his discharge.

A 1963 photograph of HARDEN appears in the file.

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(OO: Memphis)

Re Bureau teletype to Indianapolis and St. Louis, 4/9/68, and St. Louis teletype to Memphis, Houston, and Mobile, 4/10/68.

Re: Suspect DONNIE LEON HARDEN

Enclosures: For Memphis, 9 copies of FD-302 concerning review of military record for HARDEN; for Mobile, Houston and Dallas, one copy each of FD-302 concerning HARDEN's military record.

### LEADS:

### MOBILE and HOUSTON DIVISIONS

Conduct appropriate investigation to locate HARDEN and determine if he may be logical suspect.

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PERSONNEL SERVICES SUPPORT CENTER, FT. BENJAMIN HARRISON, IND.,
ADVISED SA KENNETH E. MORRIS THE TWO ZERO ONE PERSONNEL FILE
FOR DONNIE LEON HARDIN, ASN

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RE BIRMINGHAM TEL TO BUREAU, APRIL NINE, LAST, AND BUREAU TEL TO ALL CONTINENTAL OFFICES, APRIL TEN INSTANT.

WILLIAM WALTER CORTOR, FORMER SL NINE SIX NINE DASH S, WHO WORKED ON U. S. INLAND BARGES, THIRTYNINE TO SIXTYTHREE, ADVISED INSTANT DATE THAT AMERICAN SEAMEN WORKING ON BARGES NEVER REFER TO THEMSELVES AS "BARGERS". HE STATED THIS TERM IS USED BY EUROPEANS WHO WORK ON BARGES

IN VIEW OF ABOVE, AND POSSIBLE FOR ORIGIN OF NAMES ARL AND ERIC STARVO GALT, IT IS SUGGESTED, IF NOT ALREADY DONE, ALL INS RECORDS BE INCLUDED IN THIS NAME SEARCH. P

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	KNOWN TO J. C.
	JOHNSON, DELMA BOWERS, ROBERT KENDALL, WILEY SALTER AND MABRY
	COOK, ALL EVERGREEN, ALA.
	LETTER FROM WIFE, VADA, APRIL TWO, SIXTYFIVE, ALLEGES MIS-
	REPRESENTATION IN APPLICATION FOR HARDSHIP DISCHARGE; HE INTENDED
	EMPLOYMENT BY BROWN AND ROOT CONST. CO., HOUSTON; HE HAD
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FILE INDICATES SHE HAD PREVIOUSLY SUFFERED NERVOUS BREAKDOWN.

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HOUSTON AND MOBILE CONDUCT APPROPRIATE INVESTIGATION TO LOCATE HARDEN AND DETERMINE IF HE MAY BE LOGICAL SUSPECT.

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SAC, ST. LOUIS (44-775) (P)

DATE: 4/8/68

FROM :

SA SPURGEON J. PETERSON

SUBJECT:

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At 6.30 PM on 4/6/68, a telephone call was received by SA SPURGEON J. PETERSON from a Mr. MARVIN BOWLEN, of 403 North Van Buren Street, Kirkwood, Missouri, telephone TA 1-6926. Mr. BOWLEN stated that he had a friend who owned a farm at Libertyville Neighborhood, which is located between Farmington and Fredericktown, Missouri. This friend had contacted BOWLEN and said he had observed a sketch of UNSUB in this case and believes it to be a likeness of one SHELBY BELKEN, who lives near his farm at Libertyville Neighborhood. Mr. BOWLEN stated that his friend refused to permit his identity to be revealed and he, EOWLEN, also wanted to remain anonymous insofar as making this complaint is concerned. BOWLEN further related that he has a good friend who is a reporter for the "St. Louis Post-Dispatch" newspaper and said that he would like to tell his friend about this matter in order that he could get in on the story when SHELBY BELKEN was arrested. He also wanted to know that if BELKEN were arrested if his friend could collect the reward that has been offered in connection with the apprehension of the murderer of MARTIN LUTHER KING. BOWLEN asked that he be advised as soon as this matter had been "checked out".

Mr. BOWLEN was informed that the FBI would not be able to check back with him at this time as we do not discuss results of our investigations. It was suggested to him that he not contact the newspapers until it was determined whether or not there was any credence to his friend's suspicions.

Resident Agent DOUGLAS ROSENBERGER was telephonically contacted immediately and furnished the above information with instructions to locate the BELKEN family and determine whether or not SHELBY BELKEN could possibly be involved in this case. Thereafter on the evening of 4/6/68, SA ROSENBERGER telephoned the writer and stated that he had been in touch with the MSHP and that they had, at his request, located the BELKEN family on a farm at Libertyville Neighborhood and had determined that there was no resemblance between the sketch appearing in the newspaper of UNSUB and SHELBY BELKEN. They told SA



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ROSENBERGER that SHELDY BELKEN is 56 years old, that he has one son, JAMES BELKEN, living with him who is 18 years old, and he has a second son, PAUL BELKEN, who works for Railway Express Agency (REA), in St. Louis. PAUL BELKEN is described as approximately 20 years old. Neither SHELBY nor JAMES BELKEN looked like the sketch of UNSUB. It was the opinion of the State Patrol, according to SA ROSENBERGER, that this family would have had no connection with instant case.

Chief BOB WYATT of REA, St. Louis, advised SA PETERSON that PAUL ALBERT BELKEN has been employed by his agency since 3/12/64, as a marker. His Social Security Number is

He is 28 years old and has an address of RR I, Box 24, Imperial, Missouri. He was on duty from 6:10 AM to 2:40 PM, on both 3/29 and 3/30/68. He was off duty on 4/4/68. He stated that BELKEN is a white male, 6', 190#, brown hair, hazel eyes; in 1963 when a photograph, which is available, was taken, it showed considerable acne and pockmaking on his face, particularly on the region of his lower jaw. At that time he wore his hair in a crewcut.

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421PM URGENT 4-9-68 MCP

TO ST. LOUIS

FROM MEMPHIS 44-19-87 1 P

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RECORDS, MEMPHIS MOTEL, INDICATE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUAL REGISTERED ON DATE INDICATED AND LISTED FORD AUTOMOBILE REFLECTING INDICATED LICENSE NUMBERS:

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SAC, ST. LOUIS (65-2483)

SA EDWARD M. MORELAND

THOMAS ROBERT HENDERSON INFO CONCERNING

On 4/8/68, at 4:55 p.m., Rev. CLYDE OSTER, First Baptist Church, 6136 Garfield, Berkeley, Mo., phone JA 2-8898 (home phone JA 1-2940), stated that at about 12:55 p.m., 4/8/68, he received a phone call from a man who identified himself as PHILLIP BANELLI (phonetic), who advised him that he was at Lambert Airport and that he had a serious problem which he wanted to discuss with a minister.

Rev. OSTER proceeded to the airport to counsel BANELLI and in the ensuing hour and a half conversation, BANELLI expounded that he had been involved with the Mafia, that he had a lot of evidence, and that he was in fear of his life.

Rev. OSTER stated BANELLI opened an attache case and showed him a number of checks. During the conversation BANELLI indicated he had a financial need whereupon Rev. OSTER refused to give him any money. BANELLI then requested Rev. OSTER to drive him into SLMO and he was driven to Ogden and Easton Avenues at about 4:30 p.m., and left the car.

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BANELLI is described by Rev. OSTER as white male, age 21, 5'10" - 11" tall, 145 pounds, light brown hair, brown eyes, thin build, dark gray sport coat, tight black trousers, tattoos on forearms, and indicated he had come from New Orleans, La.

It is noted the person identifying himself as PHILLIP BANELLI appears to be identical to THOMAS ROBERT HENDERSON who contacted Rev. GIBSON in SLMO on the evening of 4/7/68. This interview was handled in substantive 44-475 with copy to instant file.

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FROM SPRINGFIELD (44-561)

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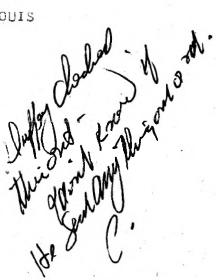
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AND SPRINGFIELD TEL TO ST. LOUIS FOUR ELEVEN SIXTYEIGHT.

PER CREDIT BUREAU (PROTECT), HARVEY LOHMEYER AND LENORA,
HIS WIFE, LIVED AT ROUTE ONE, PALMYRA, MO., NINETEEN FIFTYSIX
DASH FIFTYEIGHT. THEY HAD UNPAID HOSPITAL BILL FOR BIRTH OF
CHILD. HOSPITAL NOT IDENTIFIED. LENORA LOHMEYER ACCORDING
TO POSTMASTER PALMYRA (PROTECT) DATE NOT GIVEN. CHANGED ADDRESS
FROM ROUTE ONE PALMYRA TO ONE FOUR FOUR EIGHT VESPER STREET,
HANNIBAL, MO. THIS BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN IN NINETEEN FIFTYEIGHT. NO FURTHER INFORMATION.

NEIGHBORHOOD AT PALMYRA AND HANNIBAL NEGATIVE . POST OFFICE, ARREST, DIVORCE, AND VOTING RECORDS NEGATIVE.

OWNER AT ONE FOUR FOUR EIGHT VESPER RENTS TO TRANSANTS.

HE DOES NOT REMEMBER ANY TENNANT NAMED LOHMEYER.

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FROM MILWAUKEE (44-388)(P) 2P

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INSTANT DATE, MRS. TISHA JEMNINGS, TWENTY SIX FORTY THREE A NORTH TWENTY FORTH STREET, MILWAUKEE, ADVISED SHE TELEPHONED HER MOTHER, MRS. CANNON (ARLENG) MARTIN. IN HAYTI, MISSOURI, AT PHONE NUMBER FL NINE ONE EIGHT EIGHT SIX, WHEREIN THE FOLLOWING CONVERSATION TOOK PLACE.

MARTIN ADVISED JENNINGS THAT ONE JESSE JAMES, JR., HAYTI,
MISSOURI, WHITE MALE, TWENTY SEVEN TO TWENTY EIGHT, FIVE FOOT

TEN AND ONE HALF INCHES, ONE HUNDRED SIXTY POUNDS, BLACK
WAVY HAIR, DRIVING A NINETEEN SIXTY FIVE WHITE MUSTANG, POSSIBLE
CONVERTIBLE, WAS OUT OF TOWN ON FOUR FOUR SIXTY EIGHT, WHEREABOUTS
UNKNOWN.

HE RETURNED TO HAYTI ON EVENING OG FOUR FOUR SIXTY EIGHT AND WAS IN POSSESSION OF A LARGE UNKNOWN AMOUNT OF CASH. END PAGE ONE

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MARTIN ADVISED JAMES' MOTHER ASKED SON, JESSE JAMES,

IF HE HAD KILLED MARTIN LUTHER KING, AND SON, JAMES, DID

NOT REPLY. HE JUST SMILED, GOT UP, LEFT THE HOUSE, AND HAS

NOT BEEN SEEN SINCE.

MARTIN IS A DOMESTIC EMPLOYEE FOR SEVERAL FAMILIES IN

HAYTI, MISSON

PLACE .

JESSE JAMES, SR., OPERATES A SCRAP YARD ON HIGHWAY EIGHTY FOUR, WEST, IN HAYTI, MISSOURI.

JENNINGS ADVISED SHE DOES NOT WANT HER NAME EXPOSED. EVEN TO HER MOTHER.

ST. LOUIS - AT HAYTI, M MISSOURI - WILL CONTACT ARLENE
MARTIN AND ASCERTAIN THE VALIDITY OF ABOVE. THEREAFTER, CONDUCT
APPROPRIATE INVESTIGATION.

AM COPIES SENT BIRMINGHAM AND MEMPHIS.

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PLEASE REPEAT PAGE TWO PARAGRAPH TWO

MARTIN IS A DOMESTIC EMPLOYEE FOR SEVERAL FAMILIES IN HAYTI, MISSOURI, AND WAS PRESENT WHEN THIS CONVERSATION TOOK PLACE.

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