

*Capt. William O. Wood, ASI*  
18 Calvert Street, N. W.  
Washington, D. C. 20009

May 2, 1968

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover  
Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
Washington, D. C. 20000

Dear Mr. Hoover:

I regret to report that my letter of April 22, 1968 has not been acknowledged either by you or your agency.

Due to the fact I did not receive your proper authorization to investigate on behalf to the suspected assassin of Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. it is now without doubt whatsoever entirely too late to retrace the true evidence before me sometime ago.

If I may, I wish to reiterate my statement in more complete detail sent to you, but obviously ignored: On Thursday April 18th 1968 at approximately 6:40 P.M. I personally met and passed a man bearing almost identical description to the one released by your office on Galt-Ray. I was quite shocked at this encounter. I continued to walk down this street for almost a block. I decided to turn around and see if I could further prove to myself that this was really the "wanted man". Lo and behold, I again met him coming in the opposite direction than seven minutes previously. He was dressed very neatly and was carrying a black brief case under his arm. He even looked worried at this instance. I kept him under surveillance until he disappeared into a new apartment building. I wanted to follow the man, and also make an inquiry at the apartment house, but I have no police or other authority to investigate, especially criminals of Rays' standing. I came very close to calling your office immediately and making a complete report, but something seemed to tell me that you would only drop the inquest and place me on the list as only; "Another 'nut' trying to get publicity and at the same time misleading the F. B. I. in their investigation".

I have only one more thing to say Mr. Hoover. I absolutely do not have any intention in disgrading your Department in any way whatsoever. I am only offering my sincere services to do all within my limited powers to help in the fight against crime and disorder in our country today.

I honestly believe that all murderers should be brought to justice and properly prosicuted, and there should be no rules or regulations forbidding certain law abiding officers to apprehend them.

I would appreciate your prompt acknowledgement to this important matter regardless of whether you believe in me or not. Someday I hope my report correct.

Thank you Mr. Hoover.

Very Respectfully yours,  
Law and Order for All

*William O. Wood*

44-703-437

SEARCHED	INDEXED
SERIALIZED	FILED
MAY 6 1968	
FBI - WASH. F. O.	

*Johnson Paul*

F B I

Date: **5-7-68**Transmit the following in \_\_\_\_\_  
(Type in plaintext or code)Via **Airtel** \_\_\_\_\_  
(Priority)

✓ To: SAC, Washington Field (44-703)

✓ From: Director, FBI (44-38861)

**MURKIN**

Re William O. Wood - complainant.

Reurairtel 5-2-68 and Buairtel 4-26-68.

Enclosed for your assistance are two copies of a second letter received from Wood, dated 5-2-68.

One copy is enclosed for Memphis.

Enc. (2) *for*  
1 - Memphis (info) (44-1987) Enc.*See serial 336*

44-703438

SEARCHED	INDEXED
SERIALIZED	FILED
MAY 8 1968	
FBI - WASH. F. O.	

*Chambers* *Paul*

Sent Via \_\_\_\_\_ M Per \_\_\_\_\_

# FBI Releases Two New Photos of Ray

By the Associated Press

The FBI issued today two more photographs of James Earl Ray, who is being sought in connection with the murder of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

An FBI spokesman said one of the latest photos is "considered to be the best possible likeness of Ray."

It was taken in late January or early February of this year somewhere in California. It shows Ray wearing a dark checked jacket, striped tie and button-down collar shirt. There is a curtain directly in back of him and a lamp nearby.

The FBI would not say where it obtained the picture, or where precisely it was taken, or by whom.

The other new photo, which the FBI said was taken last November at an undisclosed location in Mexico, shows Ray wearing dark glasses and a light colored shirt open at the collar.

The two new photos confirm what FBI descriptions say — that his weight has been known to vary widely. The Mexican picture discloses a man with a thin face and pointed chin, much as he appeared in 1960 photos.

But the picture taken in California shows him edging up to pudginess, with a clear cleft in his chin.



JAMES EARL RAY  
In Mexico, November 1967



JAMES EARL RAY  
In California, early 1968

DATE 5-7-68

PAGE A 1

\_\_\_ THE WASHINGTON POST  
& TIMES HERALD

X THE EVENING STAR

\_\_\_ THE SUNDAY STAR

\_\_\_ THE WASHINGTON DAILY NEWS

\_\_\_ WASHINGTON-AFRO AMERICAN

44-703-439

SEARCHED.....	INDEXED.....
SERIALIZED <i>MP</i>	FILED <i>MP</i>
MAY 14 1968	
FBI — WASH. F. O.	

*Lawson*

5/7/68

AIRTEL

AIR MAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)  
FROM: SAC, HOUSTON (44-1509)  
SUBJECT: MURKIN

ReWFOairtel 5/2/68.

On 5/6/68, IRMA MOTE, J. Ray McDermott and Co., Inc., Houston Club Building, advised as follows:

The McDermott Co., office and operation, Houston, is part of the oil division and is a domestic operation.

The International Division of McDermott is at New Orleans.

New Orleans handle lead, re airtel.

- 3 - Bureau
- 2 - Memphis (44-1987)
- 2 - New Orleans (157-10673)
- 1 - Albuquerque (Info)
- ① - WFO (Info)
- 1 - Houston

JSW:yk  
(10)

*See serials*  
383  
392  
450  
455  
497

44-703-440

SEARCHED <i>h</i>	INDEXED <i>h</i>
SERIALIZED <i>h</i>	FILED <i>h</i>
MAY 9 1968	
FBI - WASH. F. O.	

*Dawson*

5/9/68

AIRTEL

TO: SAC, RICHMOND

FROM: SAC, WFO (44-703)

MURKIN

At 9:45 a.m. 5/9/68, Miss DAWN MILLER, Apt. 504, 101 Lincolnia Road, Alexandria, Va., telephone 751-4734, called WFO and furnished the following information: (Miss MILLER is a dancing teacher for the Fairfax County Recreation Department, Telephone # 273-9320)

Miss MILLER saw a poster with photographs of JAMES EARL RAY and noted a resemblance of the 1960 photograph to a man with whom she had the following dealings:

Miss MILLER put an ad in the Classified Sections of the Sunday Star and Washington Post advertising a sofa for sale for \$175.00. She believed that the ad appeared in the April 7 or 14th issues. On a Wednesday night after the ad appeared she received a telephone call from a man asking about the sofa. It was late, 11:30 p.m., and the man said he would come to see the sofa the next evening.

He came to Miss MILLER's residence in a station wagon with a male companion and bought the sofa. He paid for the sofa with a check drawn on the Suburban Trust Company, Hyattsville, Maryland. The names DAVID and LALAH COOPERMAN, Account # [REDACTED] was printed on the check, but no address was listed. The purchaser of the sofa wrote the following addresses and telephone number on the check and signed it "DAVID COOPERMAN".

2- Richmond  
2- Baltimore  
1- Memphis (Info)

1- WFO

MGM:js

(6) AIRTEL

Searched \_\_\_\_\_  
Serialized PPH  
Indexed \_\_\_\_\_  
Filed PPH

*Todd*

44-703-441

WFO 44-703

7930 15th Avenue, Adelphi, Maryland. (Miss MILLER checked the telephone directory and learned this is the address of DAVID and LALAH COOPERMAN.)

8107 Eastern Avenue, Silver Springs, Md. (Miss MILLER later learned that this address is listed to IRVING and REBECCA COOPERMAN.) She called them and determined that they are no relation to above DAVID COOPERMAN and knew nothing of the transaction.

Telephone # 526-4042 (Miss MILLER learned from the Telephone Company that his phone is subscribed to by a person named PORTER, 1915 Otis St., N.E., WDC.) She has been unable to reach this person by phone.

Re the purchaser: Miss MILLER described him as about age 37, 5'10", slender build, sandy blonde hair, eye color not known, just a trace of Southern accent. She did not know the make of station wagon, thought it was late model, license number unknown, light colored with wood tone trim. The companion of the purchaser is described as early twenties, "cute, slim, blonde". No names were exchanged between the two men.

The check was returned with a note "Non sufficient funds" and was dated 4/26/68.

Miss MILLER said that last Sunday, 5/5/68, she drove out to the residence of DAVID and LALAH COOPERMAN and spoke to them. They knew nothing about the transaction, but stated that ~~there~~ <sup>her</sup> checkbook had been lost about two months previously and that they had learned that someone had purchased a refrigerator using one of their checks.

Miss MILLER stated that she has the check for the sofa in her possession and can be reached at her home phone or at the Fairfax Recreation Department.

Richmond should show additional photographs of RAY to Miss MILLER for possible identification.

Baltimore should determine possible ITSP violations.

# King suspect chose

(Continued on Page 2)

the ex-convict who spent nearly a year establishing a false identity.

There were no indications of any imminent break in the search although the manhunt for Ray had focused at times around the world.

Officials said there were no indications that Ray had left the country despite a rash of reports from Mexico, Canada, Australia, Hong Kong and West Germany. The officials pointed out international travel re-

quires identification papers that can easily be checked.

THE FBI has a full dossier on Ray, including a full set of fingerprints, a detailed physical description from his terms in various prisons and an amazing assortment of personal habits.

But Galt, the man the FBI says Ray worked on establishing for a year before the April 4 assassination of King, left behind little statistical data, probably by design.

THERE IS growing belief in some official circles in Washington that Ray acted alone in assassinating King in Memphis, although the original FBI warrant for his arrest was based on a civil rights conspiracy charge.

Ray already is wanted on a federal fugitive warrant for escaping the Missouri

State Penitentiary April 23, 1967.

IN CHICAGO, the Sun Times reported that Jerry Ray, 32, brother of the suspect, had called on James Earl Ray to give himself up.

"If he is still alive I urge him to surrender himself to the FBI or contact someone in the family and ask them to make surrender arrangements.

"If he's still alive the FBI is going to get him, you can be sure of that," Jerry Ray was quoted as saying.

DATE 5-2-68

PAGE 2

\_\_\_ THE WASHINGTON POST  
& TIMES HERALD

\_\_\_ THE EVENING STAR

\_\_\_ THE SUNDAY STAR

\_\_\_ THE WASHINGTON DAILY NEWS

☒ WASHINGTON-AFRO AMERICAN

# King suspect twice chose segregation

WASHINGTON — The suspect in the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. chose maximum security prison areas rather than minimum custody sections because the later were integrated, officials have disclosed.

Twice, in Leavenworth Prison in 1957 and during his term in Missouri prison, James Earl Ray, alias Eric Starvo Galt, refused the chance to move into honor dormitories because they housed colored as well as white inmates.

Ray also has been linked to a map of Atlanta that had circles about the area where Dr. King lived and the location of the Ebenezer Baptist Church which Dr. King co-pastored with his father.

APPARENTLY THE FBI has lost trace of Ray since the morning of April 5 when he was seen leaving a white Mustang in a public housing project in Atlanta.

That was 12 to 14 hours after the assassination of Dr. King on the balcony of the Lorraine Motel in Memphis.

There still appears to be no hard evidence that Ray had an accomplice in the slaying but officials are known to be concerned about the fact Ray spent several thousands in cash after his escape.

Reporter Louis Lomax reported that Ray at one point met in New Orleans with a wealthy industrialist.

Records at a motel put Ray in the city at the time Lomax claims the meeting took place.

STILL A MONTH after the slaying the FBI was "still looking hard" Friday for the man it says did it.

(Continued on Page 2)

DATE 5-7-68

PAGE 1

THE WASHINGTON POST  
& TIMES HERALD

THE EVENING STAR

THE SUNDAY STAR

THE WASHINGTON DAILY NEWS

X WASHINGTON-AFRO AMERICAN

14-703-142

SEARCHED	INDEXED
SERIAL	FILED
MAY 9 1968	
FBI - WASH.	

Dawson



CARL T. ROWAN

## King Murder Hatched Abroad?

The entire U.S. intelligence apparatus, including the military and the Central Intelligence Agency, has now become involved in the investigation of the murder of Dr. Martin Luther King.

Evidence gathered by FBI agents in one of the most massive probes in the nation's history has forced serious investigation of these possibilities:

1. That James Earl Ray, the alleged assassin, was the hired killer in a Cuba-Red China plot.

2. That the "assassin squad" of the Soviet secret police was somehow involved in the plot.

3. That Ray was hired indirectly by certain black nationalists who paid him with money made available by foreign sources.

The FBI has had as many as 2,000 agents working at one time, in cooperation with hundreds of local policemen and other U.S. intelligence agents, to track down every lead—including the above possibili-

ties that the assassination was plotted with the intention of creating internal chaos in the United States.

It should be emphasized that the dominant theory—and hope—among those directing the investigation is still that the killer was a loner who murdered King out of his own crazy, racist views.

But this theory loses supporters as each day goes by without agents turning up any trace of Ray, who is linked to the murder and murder weapon by fingerprints and ballistics data.

FBI agents believe he no longer could get food and drink for so long a period in this country without being detected in the massive day-and-night search that is under way.

This point, added to the now known fact that Ray had plenty of money, has given credibility to the theory that King's assassin was a hired killer.

A growing fear in FBI circles is that the killer was giv-

en \$10,000 in advance to murder King with a promise of much more upon completion of the job. When he returned to his U.S. racist employers for the final payoff, the theory goes, he was slain and his body dumped where agents may never find it.

International intelligence agents have entered the investigation, however, because of Ray's mysterious trips to New Orleans—and certain of the suspect's trips out of the country. The FBI reportedly has pinpointed Ray's movements even to knowing which prostitute he spent which night with in certain countries, but it has not yet produced meaningful evidence of an international plot.

But there is deep suspicion of a Cuba-Red China plot. The assumption is that, if the Cubans had made arrangements to spirit their hired killer out of the United States, they very likely killed him and dumped him in the ocean.

Totally informed sources here say, however, that there is no evidence whatsoever of involvement by the Communist party of the United States, or of any splinter group of U.S. Communists.

One source called the King killing "one of the most baffling cases in memory."

He also theorized that the slaying and escape were so smoothly organized that they tend to discredit suspicions of black Nationalist involvement—but that "every possibility must be checked."

The FBI is pouring vast amounts of manpower and money into the search because it knows its reputation is at stake. It also knows that if King's killer is not found all sorts of rumors will arise.

Some of those directing the investigation are openly hoping that it will turn out to be the work of one man. They fear the explosive repercussions if it turns out that the murderer was a hired killer for white U.S. racists—or for a foreign power. (C) 1968

DATE 5-5-68

PAGE A-12

THE WASHINGTON POST  
& TIMES HERALD

☒ THE EVENING STAR

THE SUNDAY STAR

THE WASHINGTON DAILY NEWS

WASHINGTON-AFRO AMERICAN

44-703-443

SEARCHED	INDEXED
SERIALIZED	FILED
MAY 1 1968	
FBI - WASH. F. O.	

*Jawson*

5/9/68

CODED

TELETYPE

URGENT

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI AND SACS MEMPHIS  
LOS ANGELES

FROM: SAC, WFO

MURKIN

~~JOHN ACORD~~, CHAIRMAN, AMERICAN-SOUTHERN AFRICA COUNCIL,  
EIGHT HUNDRED FOURTH STREET, SOUTHWEST, WDC FURNISHED WFO  
TODAY A LETTER DATED DECEMBER TWENTYEIGHT LAST FROM ERIC S.  
GALT, ONE FIVE THREE FIVE NORTH SERRANO, LOS ANGELES, CALIF-  
ORNIA WHICH WAS RECEIVED BY ACORD IN DECEMBER SIXTYSEVEN. THE  
LETTER READS:

"DECEMBER TWENTYEIGHT SIXTYSEVEN

"DEAR SIR,

"I RECENTLY READ AN ARTICLE IN THE L. A. TIMES ON YOUR  
CONCIL, THE LOCAL JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY PROVIDED ME WITH YOUR  
ADDRESS. MY REASON FOR WRITING IS THAT I AM CONSIDERING

2 - Bureau (44-38861)  
2 - Teletype Unit  
(2) - WFO (44-703)

ELT:tab  
(6)

tab

Searched  
Serialized  
Indexed  
Filed

PPH  
PPH  
PPH  
DD

See serial  
445  
482  
487  
495

mm

D

Opt

44-703-444

WFO 44-703

PAGE TWO

IMIGRATING TO RHODESIA, HOWEVER THEIR ARE A COUPLE LEGAL  
QUESTIONS INVOLVED.

"ONE: THE U. S. GOVERNMENT WILL NOT ISSUE A PASSPORT  
FOR TRAVEL TO RHODESIA.

"TWO: WOULD THEIR BE ANY WAY TO ENTER RHODESIA LEGALLY  
(FROM THE RHODESIAN GOVERNMENT POINT OF VIEW).

"I WOULD APPRECIATE ANY INFORMATION YOU COULD GIVE ME  
ON THE ABOVE SUBJECT OR ANY OTHER INFORMATION ON RHODESIA.

"SINCERELY

ERIC S. GALT

ONE FIVE THREE FIVE N. SERRANO

LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, NINE ZERO

ZERO TWO SEVEN"

ABOVE LETTER HAND CARRIED TO BUREAU LABORATORY TODAY.

ACORD WAS IN RHODESIA WHEN THE LETTER WAS RECEIVED AT  
HIS OFFICE AND HIS SECRETARY REPLIED TO THIS LETTER WITH A  
FORM LETTER ENCLOSING LITERATURE ON RHODESIA.

WFO 44-708  
PAGE THREE

ACORD ALSO SAID HE MAY HAVE MET GALT IN NOVEMBER, SIXTY-SEVEN IN HOLLYWOOD, CALIFORNIA AS HE RECALLS AN INDIVIDUAL ASKING HIM QUESTIONS ABOUT EMIGRATING TO RHODESIA. ACORD WAS SHOWN ALL PHOTOGRAPHS OF JAMES EARL RAY AND ACORD SAID THEY WERE NOT OF THE INDIVIDUAL HE RECALLS WHO QUESTIONED HIM.

THE WRITER OF ABOVE LETTER WAS IN ERROR REGARDING PASSPORTS AS RHODESIA IS NOT AND HAS NEVER BEEN ON THE LIST OF COUNTRIES TO WHICH TRAVEL BY AMERICANS HAS BEEN RESTRICTED BY THE STATE DEPARTMENT. A U. S. PASSPORT ISSUED IN SIXTYEIGHT IS VALID FOR THREE YEARS FOR ALL COUNTRIES EXCEPT CUBA, MAINLAND CHINA, NORTH KOREA AND NORTH VIETNAM.

KEN H. TOWSEY, INFORMATION OFFICER, RHODESIAN GOVERNMENT, WDC (PROTECT IDENTITY) ADVISED HE HAS COPY OF LETTER FURNISHED BY ACORD. TOWSEY WILL REVIEW FILES HIS OFFICE AND ADVISE IF FURTHER INFORMATION CONCERNING GALT LOCATED. TOWSEY OFFERED ON BEHALF OF HIS GOVERNMENT ALL ASSISTANCE POSSIBLE; HOWEVER,

WFO  
PAGE FOUR

DESIRES A FORMAL REQUEST IN ANY FORM. HE REQUESTED THAT ~~SEEN~~ ANY REQUESTS AND ANY INFORMATION FURNISHED NOT BE MADE PUBLIC IN VIEW OF IMPLICATIONS OF EXPLOITING THE EXISTING SITUATION OF HIS GOVERNMENT AND OF POSSIBLY EXPANDING HOSTILITY TOWARD HIS GOVERNMENT. TOWSEY STATED HE WOULD NOT USE OPEN TELEGRAPH TO PASS ON ANY REQUEST TO HIS GOVERNMENT BUT WOULD USE MAIL. HE HE SUGGESTED OUR GOVERNMENT MAY WISH TO PRESENT REQUEST ~~DIRECT~~ THROUGH THE AMERICAN CONSULATE AT SALISBURY, RHODESIA. TOWSEY WISHES TO BE ADVISED CONCERNING THE CHANNEL USED TO TRANSMIT REQUEST.

BUREAU IS REQUESTED TO ADVISE WFO CONCERNING THE FORM OF REQUEST TO BE MADE OF THE RHODESIAN GOVERNMENT.

LOS ANGELES ADVISE WFO OF INVESTIGATION CONDUCTED AT JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY AND ANY OTHER INFORMATION DEVELOPED IN LOS ANGELES TO ASSIST IN INTERVIEWING ACORD IN GREATER DETAIL.

WFO  
PAGE FIVE

WFO INDICES REFLECTED CLOSED CASE ENTITLED QUOTE  
AMERICAN DASH SOUTHERN AFRICA COUNCIL; IS DASH RHODESIA; REGISTRA-  
TION ACT DASH RHODESIA ENQUOTE. FILE REFLECTS JAMES PATRICK ACORD,  
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ABOVE ORGANIZATION, INTERVIEWED BY WFO MARCH  
SEVEN SIXTYSEVEN AT WHICH TIME HE ADVISED PURPOSE OF ORGANIZATION  
WAS TO CONVINCE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT THAT ITS AFRICAN POLICY  
IS INCORRECT AND SHOULD BE CHANGED SO THAT MORE FRIENDLY RELATIONS  
CAN EXIST BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND RHODESIA, SOUTH AFRICA,  
ANGOLA, AND POSSIBLY GAMBIA. ACORD EXPLAINED THAT SOME COUNTRIES  
ARE NOT READY FOR INDEPENDENCE BECAUSE OF LACK OF EDUCATED  
PERSONNEL, RENDERING THEM VULNERABLE TO COMMUNIST TAKEOVER. HE  
STATED RHODESIA'S RULING ELEMENTS ARE EDUCATED AND STRONG ENOUGH  
TO WITHSTAND COMMUNIST SUBVERSION AND THAT THE UNITED STATES  
THEREFORE SHOULD RECOGNIZE RHODESIA AS AN INDEPENDENT COUNTRY  
AND GIVE IT MORAL SUPPORT.

5/10/68

**AIRTEL**

**TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)**

**FROM: SAC, WFO (44-703) (P)**

**MURKIN**

Re WFO teletype, 5/9/68.

On 5/10/68, MR. KEN H. TOWSEY, Rhodesian Information Office, WDC, advised that a check of records of his office located no information identifiable with JAMES EARL RAY, aka, ERIC S. GALT.

**ARMED AND DANGEROUS**

*See serials  
444  
452  
487  
426  
495*

*PPH*  
Searched *PPH*  
Serialized *PPH*  
Indexed *PPH*  
Filed *PPH*

- 3 - Bureau
- 2 - Memphis (44-1987)
- 1 - WFO

*int* RWD:lkx  
(6)

**AIRTEL**

*44-703-445*

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC WFO

DATE: 5/10/68

FROM : SA STUART W. ANGEVINE

☒ CI ☐ SI ☐ R (Prob)  
☐ PCI ☐ PSI ☐ R  
☐

SUBJECT: WF -1651 -C

Dates of Contact 5/10/68		
Titles and File #s on which contacted MURKIN - CR 44-703		
Purpose and results of contact <input type="checkbox"/> NEGATIVE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> POSITIVE <input type="checkbox"/> STATISTIC  The CI reported bar-room conversation concerning James Earl Ray as follows:  One Bubbleeye Mason a current inmate at Jordan Reformatory who has done time with Ray and allegedly a friend of Ray has knowledge of a hide-out		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating EXCELLENT	Coverage SAME

1- 44-703

Telephone call & A/T to RH  
+ BA 5/10/68  
Rmd  
See serial 433  
496

44-703-448

SEARCHED	INDEXED
SERIALIZED	FILED
MAY 10 1968	
FBI - WASH. F. O.	

Lawson Bow



used by Ray in Mexico. Furthermore Mason reportedly said Ray was aware of a "contract" out on King prior to his escape and had talked of collecting this contract.

The CI advised there is absolutely no way to evaluate remarks attributed to Mason or to identify source.

5/10/68

PLAINTEXT

AIRTEL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM: SAC, WFO (44-703) (P)

MURKIN

RE: WILLIAM O. WOOD - Complainant

Re Buairtels 4/26/68 and 5/7/68; WFO airtel 5/2/68.

WILLIAM O. WOOD contacted by WFO on 5/3/68 and advised that on 4/18/68, between 6:20 and 6:30 p. m., he observed an individual in the 1800 block of Columbia Road, N. W., who resembled the photograph of JAMES EARL RAY, and that he subsequently saw this individual go to the Promenade Apartments, 1884 Columbia Road, N. W.

Investigation at the Promenade Apartments and vicinity between 5/3/68 and 5/8/68 failed to identify any individual resembling the photograph of RAY.

WFO has alerted sources in this area to advise WFO if the individual described by WOOD is seen in the vicinity of the Promenade Apartments.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

- 3 - Bureau
- 2 - Memphis (44-1987)
- ① - WFO

RWD:slb  
(6)

AIRTEL

*See serials* 438  
336  
379

*[Handwritten signature]*  
PPH  
PPH  
PPH

44-703-447 PPH  
44-703-443

5/10/68

CODE

TELETYPE

URGENT

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI, AND SAC, MEMPHIS

FROM: SAC, WFO

MURKIN

REFERENCE WFO TELETYPE TO BUREAU, MEMPHIS AND LOS ANGELES  
MAY NINE LAST.

IN VIEW OF THE INFORMATION RECEIVED ON MAY NINE LAST ABOUT  
SUBJECT'S (AS ERIC STARVO GALT) EXPRESSING AN INQUIRY ABOUT  
TRAVEL TO RHODESIA, THE FOLLOWING SUGGESTION IS MADE FOR  
CONSIDERATION BY THE BUREAU AS AN EFFORT TO ASCERTAIN UNDER  
WHAT IDENTITY HE MAY HAVE SECURED AN AMERICAN PASSPORT FOR  
SUCH TRAVEL.

PASSPORTS MAY BE APPLIED FOR BY U.S. CITIZENS AT ANY OF  
SEVERAL THOUSAND CLERKS OF COURT OFFICES IN THE U.S. OR AT  
THE PASSPORT AGENCIES LOCATED AT BOSTON, CHICAGO, LOS ANGELES,

2 - Bureau  
2 - Teletype Unit  
② - WFO (44-703)

KJH:nlr  
(6)

*[Handwritten signature]*

*See serial  
451  
491*

*10-18  
5-10-68  
Mr. Roach called  
proceeds from his  
office. Bn. then it  
wasn't however will go ahead  
also with state dept  
limited at this time to  
Rho Unit*

Searched	PPH
Serialized	PPH
Indexed	PPH
Filed	PPH

*44-703-4478*

**WFO 44-703**  
**PAGE TWO**

**MIAMI, NEW ORLEANS, NEW YORK CITY, PHILADELPHIA, SAN FRANCISCO, SEATTLE AND WASHINGTON, D. C. EACH PASSPORT AGENCY HAS A TERRITORIAL JURISDICTION AND PROCESSES ALL APPLICATIONS FROM COURT CLERKS IN SUCH GEOGRAPHICAL AREAS.**

**EACH PASSPORT AGENCY, WHEN PROCESSING PASSPORT APPLICATIONS PREPARES SEVERAL THREE BY FIVE SLIPS OF PAPER FOR EACH APPLICATION SIMILAR TO THE BUREAU'S ASSIGNMENT CARDS. IT MAINTAINS ONE COPY OF THESE "ISSUE CARDS" AS A NUMBER FILE, SO THAT IT CAN CHECK BACK ON A NUMBER TO SEE TO WHOM ISSUED AND WHEN; ANOTHER COPY IS MAINTAINED SEMI-ALPHABETICALLY AND CHRONOLOGICALLY. EACH CARD CONTAINS THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION EXTRACTED FROM THE PERSON'S APPLICATION: FULL NAME, ADDRESS TO WHICH MAILED, PASSPORT NUMBER, ISSUE DATE, DESCRIPTIVE DATA AND A CODED NOTATION AS TO WHICH AGENCY ISSUED THE PASSPORT. THE AGENCIES RETAIN THESE CARDS FOR SEVERAL WEEKS OR MONTHS AND THEN FORWARD THEM TO WASHINGTON. THE PASSPORT OFFICE THEN CONSOLIDATES THESE CARDS FROM ALL ITS AGENCIES FOR REFERENCE PURPOSES. THOSE FILED BY NUMBER ARE IN EXACT NUMERICAL ORDER IN WASHINGTON, MAINTAINED BY YEAR.**

WFO 44-703  
PAGE THREE

IT CAN THUS BE SEEN THAT THE CARDS WHICH ARE FILED BY NAME RATHER THAN BY NUMBER CONSTITUTE A SUM TOTAL OF THE PASSPORTS ISSUED BY A GIVEN AGENCY IN A GIVEN YEAR. THESE CARDS FOR SIXTYSEVEN ARE CONTAINED IN BOXES IN THE PASSPORT OFFICE. GUIDE CARDS SEPARATED THE SEMI-ALPHABETICAL BREAKDOWNS IN SUCH A MANNER THAT IT IS POSSIBLE TO CHECK THE NAMES FROM, SAY, SER.... TO SET.... AND PICK OUT THOSE PARTICULAR NAMES IN WHICH PASSPORTS WERE ISSUED IN, SAY, NEW ORLEANS, IN SIXTYSEVEN. EXAMINATION OF THESE CARDS WOULD PERMIT ELIMINATION OF ALL NON-CAUCASIANS, OF ALL FEMALES, ALL CHILDREN AND ALL MALES OUTSIDE THE TWENTYFIVE TO FIFTY AGE GROUP. A LIST OF THE REMAINING ONES COULD BE PREPARED AND THEN THE ACTUAL PASSPORT APPLICATIONS LOCATED FOR PHOTOGRAPH COMPARISON AND ELIMINATION, SINCE EACH APPLICATION CONTAINS A COPY OF THE PHOTOGRAPH IN THE PERSON'S PASSPORT.

IT WOULD BE LOGICAL TO PROCESS, FIRST, THOSE APPLICATIONS FROM NEW ORLEANS, SINCE IT IS A MUCH SMALLER AGENCY THAN LOS ANGELES, AND SINCE SUBJECT IS KNOWN TO HAVE BEEN IN THAT AREA. LOS ANGELES COULD THEN BE DONE AND, IF NEGATIVE, OTHER APPROPRIATE AGENCY CARDS COULD BE SELECTED FOR THE SAME

WFO 44-703  
PAGE FOUR

TREATMENT. IT SHOULD BE BORNE IN MIND THAT THE PASSPORT OFFICE ISSUED OVER A MILLION PASSPORTS IN SIXTYSEVEN; IT IS IN THIS LIGHT THAT THE FOREGOING APPROACH IS SUGGESTED, RATHER THAN HAVING A PHOTO COMPARISON MADE BY GOING THROUGH APPLICATIONS ONE BY ONE. THE SIXTYSEVEN APPLICATIONS ARE FILED CHRONOLOGICALLY, SEMI-ALPHABETICALLY WITH ANOTHER MILLION OR SO FOR SIXTYSIX IN THE "CURRENT FILES" OF THE PASSPORT OFFICE.

IT IS, THEREFORE, SUGGESTED THAT WFO BE AUTHORIZED TO DISCUSS SUCH A PROJECT WITH MR. ROBERT D. JOHNSON, DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF THE PASSPORT OFFICE, AN EXCELLENT AND LONG TIME CONTACT OF WFO. THE PURPOSE OF THE DISCUSSION WOULD BE TO GET ESTIMATES ON THE NUMBER OF CARDS TO BE REVIEWED AND TO OBTAIN PERMISSION FOR SPECIAL AGENT PERSONNEL OF WFO TO HAVE DIRECT ACCESS TO THE ENTIRE PASSPORT OFFICE FILE ROOM TO CARRY OUT THE PROJECT IF AUTHORIZED. (SPECIAL AGENT KENNETH J. HASER AND CERTAIN OTHER WFO AGENTS HAVE SUCH ACCESS NOW AS NEEDED.) WFO FEELS THAT SUCH PERMISSION COULD BE OBTAINED WITHOUT DIFFICULTY, BUT WE WOULD HAVE TO BE MINDFUL OF CERTAIN RESTRICTIONS. THE PASSPORT OFFICE IS AT THIS TIME

WFO 44-703  
PAGE FIVE

INVOLVED IN PACKING AND SHIPPING THE APPLICATIONS FOR FOUR YEARS OF FILES IN SOME SIX THOUSAND BOXES TO THE WASHINGTON NATIONAL RECORDS CENTER IN SUITLAND, MARYLAND. IT IS FELT THAT TO USE ANY MORE THAN, SAY, TEN AGENTS AT A TIME IN THESE FILES WOULD CREATE SUBSTANTIAL PROBLEMS FOR THE PASSPORT OFFICE SINCE THERE ARE LIMITATIONS CONCERNING AVAILABLE SPACE AND THE REGULAR WORK OF THE PASSPORT OFFICE WOULD HAVE TO CONTINUE UNINTERRUPTED.

IF THE SUBJECT HAS DEPARTED FROM THE WESTERN HEMISPHERE LEGALLY WITH A U. S. PASSPORT UNDER AN ASSUMED NAME, IT IS FELT THAT THE FOREGOING PROJECT WOULD HAVE AN EXCELLENT CHANCE OF IDENTIFYING HIM. ONCE IDENTIFIED, DISCREET INVESTIGATION ABROAD WOULD LIKELY BE SUCCESSFUL IN LOCATING HIM. ONCE LOCATED, WITH A FRAUDULENT PASSPORT, RESTRICTIVE PASSPORT ACTION WOULD BE VERY HELPFUL IN SECURING HIS RETURN TO THE U. S. AND BUREAU CONTROL.

IF THE BUREAU APPROVES THIS SPECIAL PROJECT, MR. JOHNSON WOULD BE REQUESTED THAT THE PURPOSE OF THIS MASSIVE SURVEY OF PASSPORT FILES NOT BECOME GENERALLY KNOWN AT DEPARTMENT OF STATE.

WFO 44-703  
PAGE SIX

WFO RECOMMENDS THAT ANY FORMAL REQUEST FOR REVIEW OF  
RECORDS OF RHODESIAN GOVERNMENT AT SALISBURY BE HELD IN  
ABEYANCE UNTIL COMPLETION OF PASSPORT OFFICE SURVEY WHICH  
MAY LEAD TO ENTIRELY NEW ALIAS USED BY RAY IN ANY FOREIGN  
TRAVEL.



5/10/68

AIRTEL

TO: BALTIMORE (44-669)  
FROM: SAC, WFO (44-703) (P)  
MURKIN

Re WFO telephone call to BA (SA BRUCE GALLAGHER,  
Hyattsville, RA), 5/10/68.

On 5/10/68, Mrs. HAROLD SHIRK, 8419 Rambler, Adelphi, Maryland, telephone number [REDACTED], telephonically advised SA BERNARD A. DE SANTIS that on Wednesday, 5/8/68, at 2:15 p.m. she observed a man who resembled the recent photographs of JAMES EARL RAY which were published in the newspaper. She advised that she had seen this individual at the intersection of New Hampshire Avenue and Adelphi Road. At that time he was wearing a pair of black pants, white shirt and no hat. He was walking and not known to be carrying any packages.

LEAD

BALTIMORE

AT ADELPHI, MARYLAND. Will reinterview Mrs. HOWARD SHIRK for information to identify the above unknown man.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS

2 - Baltimore  
2 - Memphis  
① - WFO

RWD:cabb  
(5)

450  
Searched  
Serialized  
Indexed  
Filed

44-703-449

Complaint Form  
FD-71 (Rev. 10-26-65)

NOTE: Hand print names legibly; handwriting satisfactory for remainder.

Indices: ☐ Negative ☐ See below

Subject's name and aliases <b>ERIC STARVO GALT</b> <b>JAMES EARL RAY</b>		Address of subject <b>UNK</b>		Character of case <b>CR - CONSPIRACY</b> <b>UFAC - ROBBERY</b>	
Complainant <b>Mrs. HAROLD SHIRK</b>		Complainant's address and telephone number <b>8419 Rambler Drive,</b> <b>Adelphi</b> <b>Tell 4 [REDACTED]</b>		Complaint received <input type="checkbox"/> Personal <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Telephonic Date <b>5/10/68</b> Time <b>8:25AM</b>	
Subject's Description	Race	Sex <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female	Height	Hair	Build
	Age		Weight	Eyes	Complexion
	Scars, marks or other data				
<p>Facts of complaint</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Complaint</i></p> <p><b>Mrs. Harold Shirk</b> called to advise that on Wednesday, 5/8/68, at 2:15PM, she observed a man who resembled the recent photos of Ray which were published in the newspapers.</p> <p>She advised that she had seen this individual at the intersection of New Hampshire Ave., and Adelphi Road. At the time of the observation he was wearing: Black pants, white shirt, no hat. Subject was walking and had nothing by way of packages.</p> <p>No further information available.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">1 - WFO 44-703</p> <p style="text-align: center;"> <i>Telephone to SA Bremer</i>  <i>Staley</i>  <i>Hyattsville RA</i>  <i>Conf 5/10/68</i>  <i>Rmd</i>  <i>see serial 449</i> </p>					
<p>Action Recommended</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Bernard A. De Santis</b> (Agent)</p>					

44-703-450

SEARCHED	INDEXED
SERIALIZED	FILED
MAY 1 1968	
FBI - WASH. F. O.	

5/10/68

AIRTEL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM: SAC, WFO (44-703) (P)

MURKIN

ReWFOtel 5/10/68, concerning review of Passport Records, USDS.

WFO has arranged with FBI Laboratory for preparation of brochure containing photographs, handwriting samples, and typewriting samples necessary to perform logical review of pertinent passport files. A representative of the FBI Laboratory will instruct Agents performing reviews at Passport Office regarding pertinent identifying characteristics.

WFO is perfecting arrangements through Passport Office for instant review and it is anticipated review will be commenced on 5/13/68, it being noted that such review could not be initiated prior to that date in view of involved arrangements necessary to conduct appropriate searches.

WFO will advise the Bureau of any pertinent developments.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

3 - Bureau  
1 - Memphis (44-1987) (Info)  
① - WFO *for*

RWD:acd/nar

(5)

AIRTEL

*Serialized  
448  
491*

*TODD* *f*

Searched *PPH*  
Serialized *PPH*  
Indexed *PPH*  
Filed *PPH*

*44-703-451*

5/10/68

AIRTEL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM: SAC, WFO (44-703)

MURKIN

Re let dated 12/28/67 signed ERIC S. GALT, 1535 North Serrano, Los Angeles, California, received by SA ROGER D. ASHLAND from JOHN ACORD, Chairman, American-Southern Africa Council, 800 Fourth Street, Washington, D. C., on 5/9/68.

The above was hand carried by SA ASHLAND to SA JAMES MORTIMER, FBI Laboratory on 5/9/68.

*See serials*  
444  
445  
487  
475  
495

- 3 - Bureau
- 2 - Memphis (44-1987) (RM)
- ① - WFO

RDA:cabb *Ca*  
(6)

Searched \_\_\_\_\_  
Serialized \_\_\_\_\_  
Indexed \_\_\_\_\_  
Filed \_\_\_\_\_

44-703-452

5/10/68

AIRTEL

TO: SAC, BALTIMORE (44-669)

FROM: SAC, WFO (44-703) (P)

MURKIN

ReWFOtelephone call to Richmond (SA KENNETH W. NIMMICH, Alexandria RA) 5/10/68, and WFOtelephone call to Baltimore (SA TRAVIS X. O'NEILL, Hyattsville RA) 5/10/68.

RE: BUBBLE-EYE MASON

On 5/10/68, WF 1651-C advised that the following information was obtained from a barroom conversation concerning JAMES EARL RAY:

BUBBLE-EYE MASON, a current inmate at Lorton Reformatory, who has done time with RAY and is allegedly a friend of RAY, has knowledge of a hideout used by RAY in Mexico. Furthermore, MASON reportedly said RAY was aware of a "contract" out on MARTIN LUTHER KING prior to the time RAY escaped prison and that RAY had talked of collecting this contract.

The CI advised there is absolutely no way to evaluate remarks attributed to MASON or to identify the source.

- 2 - Baltimore
- 2 - Richmond (44-651) (RM)
- 2 - Memphis (44-1987) (RM)
- ① - WFO

RWD:sas *[signature]*  
(7)

AIRTEL

*See serial 446 496*  
*[large handwritten flourish]*  
Searched \_\_\_\_\_  
Serialized PPH  
Indexed \_\_\_\_\_  
Filed PPH

*44-703-463*

WFO 44-703

Officers of the Metropolitan Police Department (MPD) advised that BUBBLE-EYE MASON is WARDELL HICKS, 1112 60th Avenue, Fairmont Heights, Maryland, who was charged on 3/18/67, with ADW and was sentenced to 10 months on 10/13/67. HICKS was born [redacted] at Washington, D.C. (WDC), and is a Negro male assigned District of Columbia Department of Correction Number 99311, MPD Number 137889 and FBI Number 448038B.

On 5/10/68, SA KENNETH W. NIMMICH, Alexandria RA, Richmond Division telephonically advised WFO that WARDELL HICKS had been released from the D.C. Reformatory, Lorton, Virginia, on 5/8/68.

LEAD

BALTIMORE

AT FAIRMONT HEIGHTS, MARYLAND. Will interview HICKS for any information concerning RAY.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

FBI WFO

FBI WASH DC --

1225PM XX AM SAA

8-49 PM URGENT 5-10-68 VLB

TO DIRECTOR \44-38861\ AND WASHINGTON FIELD -PLAINTEXT-  
/WFO VIA WASHINGTON/  
FROM LOS ANGELES \44-1574\ OP  
MURKIN\ OO- MEMPHIS.

RECORDS\ JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY\ REVIEWED FOR YEARS SIXTY SEVEN  
AND SIXTY EIGHT. NEGATIVE RE ANY CONTACT\ PERSONAL OR BY CORRES-  
PONDENCE\ FROM ERIC S. GALT. HEAD OF SOCIETY OUT OF STATE AND  
WILL RETURN MAY THIRTEEN NEXT AT WHICH TIME HE WILL BE INTERVIEWED.  
NO PRIOR INVESTIGATION CONDUCTED AT BIRCH SOCIETY IN THIS MATTER.

LOS ANGELES IN POSSESSION OF NO ADDITIONAL INFORMATION RE  
AMERICAN - SOUTHERN AFRICA COUNCIL OTHER THAN FURNISHED BY  
WASHINGTON FIELD IN LETTERS DATED AUGUST TWENTY SIX\ SIXTY SIX  
AND MARCH THIRTY\ SIXTY SEVEN\ WASHINGTON FIELD FILE ONE ZERO FIVE -  
SEVEN ONE SIX ONE EIGHT.

AIR MAIL COPY TO MEMPHIS.

END

HOLD FPLS

FBI WFO

*See serials  
463  
444*

44-703-454

SEARCHED *W* INDEXED *W*  
SERIALIZED *PPH* FILED *PPH*

MAY 11 12 35 AM '68

FBI-WASH. F. O.  
*Ransom Pml*

SECRET

CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20505

11 MAY 1968

TO : Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Attention: Mr. S. J. Papich

FROM : Deputy Director for Plans

SUBJECT: MUSGROVE, Joe Bailey

1. The following paragraphs summarize information relayed telephonically to the Bureau, and are forwarded to you for confirmation and for your files.

2. On 28 April 1968, our representative in Addis Ababa reported that Doctor Klaus Steer, a West German citizen and Director of the African Scientific Department, E. Merck Aktiengesellschaft, Karmstady, Germany, visited the American Embassy, at the request of the local German Ambassador, and reported that he had seen a man in Lagos, Nigeria on 23 April 1968 who strongly resembled newspaper photographs of Eric Stavro Galt, who is currently wanted in connection with the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King. Dr. Steer said that he saw the Subject at the desk of the Bristol Hotel on the afternoon of 23 April when both were checking out of the hotel. Dr. Steer was accidentally given the hotel accounting receipt for the Subject, on which he noted "Name: Joe Musgaque, Room No: 403, Receipt No: D 52138, Account No: 08325." In a short conversation with Subject, Dr. Steer learned that Subject was employed by the "Wilder Oil Company" and was en-route to Warri, Nigeria on an 18 month contract. Subject told Dr. Steer that he had recently arrived in Lagos from Las Palmas via Accra on Nigerian Airlines.

3. The above information was relayed to the Bureau upon receipt by our duty officer on 29 April 1968. We were advised that the Bureau records did

44-703-455

*See serials  
383  
392  
440  
452  
497*

GROUP 1  
Excluded from automatic  
downgrading and  
declassification

SEARCHED	INDEXED
SERIALIZED	FILED
MAY 13 1968	
FBI - WASH. F. O.	

SECRET



SECRET

-2-

not contain information on Subject or the Wilder Oil Company. We then requested our representative in Lagos to investigate this matter through unilateral means and through liaison.

4. On 29 April, liaison in Lagos checked the Bristol Hotel and determined that a Joe Musgrove, an American employee of McDermott Overseas Incorporated, arrived in Lagos on 23 April from Las Palmas and stayed in Lagos until 26 April, when he was to leave for the Midwestern State (Warri). Our representative received this information on 30 April 1968, and then visited Mr. Ray Landry, a U. S. citizen, Acting Chief of the McDermott Company, and obtained the following information from a personnel file: Joe Bailey MUSGROVE departed the U. S. on 9 October 1967 for employment with McDermott Nigeria. He has been resident in Nigeria since that date, except for the period 10-23 April, when he went to Las Palmas on leave. Date of Birth: 24 April 1933. Occupation: Welder. Home Address: P.O. Box 1002, Farmington, New Mexico. Married, wife in U. S. Father: Banks Musgrove, 1017 East Garden (city and state not recorded).

5. Our representative also obtained a passport photograph of the Subject from the McDermott Company and is forwarding the photo to our Headquarters. Later on 30 April, liaison informed our Lagos representative that the Subject holds a U. S. Passport Number H-1052048, issued in the U. S. and valid until 4 October 1970.

CSCI 316/01685-68

SECRET

5-10-68

Airtel

**SECRET**

To: SACs, Houston  
New Orleans (157-10673)

From: ✓ Director, FBI

MURKIN

Re Joe Bailey Musgrove.

Reference is made to WFOairtel 5-2-68 regarding individual observed in Nigeria who resembled the subject.

Enclosed for Houston and New Orleans are two copies of a memorandum from CIA dated 5-7-68. One copy (S) is enclosed for the other offices.

In view of the fact "Joe Musgrave" has been identified as Joe Bailey Musgrove, no further action is necessary.

1 - Albuquerque (47-715)  
1 - Memphis (44-1987)  
1 - WFO (44-703)

11/2/01  
CLASSIFIED BY SP1 CLK/ESQ  
DECLASSIFY ON: 25X +

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED  
HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED EXCEPT  
WHERE SHOWN OTHERWISE.

44-703-456

SEARCHED	INDEXED
SERIALIZED	FILED
MAY 10 1968	
FBI - WASH. F. O.	

Dawson

**SECRET**

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, WFO

FROM : ROBERT H. SYLVESTER, Clerk

SUBJECT: ✓ MURKIN  
WFOfile 44-703

DATE: 5/14/68

POCAM  
WFOfile 157-1395

Sgt. DANIAN ROMANELLI, #14 Precinct, MPD, called WFO 11:08pm, 5/10/68, and advised as follows:

In response to a complaint he interviewed IDA JORDAN (Mrs. JOSEPH E. JORDAN), 221 54th Street, S.E., WDC, telephone [REDACTED], during the evening of 5/10/68, who advised as follows:

At approximately 9:25pm, 5/10/68, a long-distance telephone call was received at the JORDAN residence. The caller at first spoke to Mrs. JORDAN's ten year-old son and asked for one "Martin." He then spoke to Mrs. JORDAN, who advised Sgt. ROMANELLI that during the conversation there was both a male and a female on the line. Mrs. JORDAN said the callers made the following statements:

"We were the ones who killed Martin Luther King."  
"Your husband is the payoff man and is holding the cash."  
"He has the check for us but we are stranded and need more cash tonight."

Mrs. JORDAN advised the callers called her husband by his first name, JOE. They further stated:

"Martin Luther King was a communist and so is Abernathy, and we are going to kill Abernathy. He is next to go."

Mrs. JORDAN advised that the callers asked the ten year-

2- WFO

RHS:rhs



5010-108

Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan

44-703-457

SEARCHED	INDEXED
SERIALIZED	FILED
MAY 10 1968	
FBI - WASH. F. O.	

*[Signatures]*

old son if his father is married to one "Pat" and if the son knows a "Mark" or a "Martin."

After the call was completed, the long-distance telephone operator called back and said the callers had failed to pay overtime charges. The operator said the call was placed from a pay telephone in Ft. Lauderdale, Florida. She added the charges to the JORDAN telephone bill. She furnished no further information re the origin of the call.

Mrs. JORDAN advised Sgt. ROMANELLI neither she nor her husband know anything of this matter. She said her husband is a ward supervisor at the Old Soldiers Home, WDC.

Sgt. ROMANELLI said he intended to prepare a report on this matter for submission to the MPD Intelligence Division.

For appropriate action.

F B I

Date: **May 8, 1968**Transmit the following in \_\_\_\_\_  
(Type in plaintext or code)Via **Airtel** \_\_\_\_\_  
(Priority)

*JMA*  
To: All SACS and LEGATS  
From: Director, FBI (44-38861)

MURKIN  
OO: MEMPHIS (44-1987)

In connection with the captioned case there has been speculation that James Earl Ray concocted the alias of Eric Starvo Galt by combining the names of characters from books by Ian Fleming and from a book "Atlas Shrugged" by Ayn Rand. This speculation is based on the fact that in the James Bond books by Ian Fleming there is a character named Ernst Stavro Blofield and in "Atlas Shrugged" there is a character named John Galt, as well as one named Eric Starnes. Ernst Stavro Blofield is a formidable person, John Galt is a "social drop out" and Eric Starnes is described in the book as a "whiner" from a low-class family.

In view of the above and in order that Agents handling this investigation can be alert to the possibility of Ray's utilizing an alias based on characters in Fleming's books, there is set out as an attachment to this airtel a list of various characters in those books for your assistance.

Enclosure *See serial 151*

*Added you start something*

44-703-456

SEARCHED	INDEXED
SERIALIZED	FILED
MAY 10 1968	
FBI - WASH. F. O.	
<i>Dawson</i>	

Sent Via \_\_\_\_\_ M Per \_\_\_\_\_

## **CHARACTERS IN BOOKS**

**BY IAN FLEMING**

### **CASINO ROYALE**

<b>James Bond</b>	<b>Smyert Shpionam</b>	<b>Monsieur Sixte</b>
<b>de Villorin</b>	<b>Goytchev</b>	<b>Lord Danvers</b>
<b>Duclos</b>	<b>Garrad-Jones</b>	<b>Carmel Delane</b>
<b>Dasilva</b>	<b>Petchora</b>	<b>Signor Tomelli</b>
<b>Clements</b>	<b>Donovan</b>	<b>Rene Mathis</b>
<b>Caffery</b>	<b>Harthrop-Vane</b>	<b>Monsieur Versoix</b>
<b>Fawcett</b>	<b>Ventnor</b>	<b>Adolph Gettler</b>
<b>Herr Nummer</b>	<b>Mace</b>	<b>Herr Gettler</b>
<b>Herr Ziffer</b>	<b>Savarin</b>	
<b>Smersh</b>	<b>Mathis</b>	
<b>Deauville</b>	<b>Charles Dasilva</b>	
<b>Le Touquet</b>	<b>Kingston</b>	
<b>Zographos</b>	<b>Monsieur Muntz</b>	
<b>Cypher</b>	<b>Trouville</b>	
<b>Alsace Lorraine</b>	<b>Royale</b>	
<b>Strasbourg</b>	<b>Vesper Lynd</b>	
<b>Archivist</b>	<b>Dior</b>	

**DIAMONDS ARE FOREVER**

Galland	Felix Leiter	Sir Reginald Leeper
Sillitoe	Pickapepper	Mr. Swart
Daker	Mauve Decade	Brigadier Rademeyer
Jacoby	Bill Winfrey	Volk
Bronsteen	Kid Tatters	Bernard Nealon
Sefton Delmer	Lame-Brain Pissaro	John Blaize
DeBeers	Belair Stud	Williamson
Ronnie Vallance	Mr. Weiss	Prospector Katze
Rufus B. Saye, wa, Jack Spang	Windy Wint	du Raan
Peter Franks	Boofy Kidd	Mr. Louwrens
Tiffany Case	Ernie Cuneso	Sergeant Cilliers
Sergeant Dankwaerts	Jack Entratter	Andries Coetzze
Sergeant Lobiniere	Bobby Bilbo	Alexander Foote
Mister Grunspan	Mr. Lucian	Desmond
Willy Behrens	Frasso	Percy Sillitoe
George Feyer	McGonigle	Ernest Oppenheimer
Michael Tree, wa, Shady Tree	Captain Hook	J. A. Brink
Seraffino Spang	B. Kitteridge	Claasens
W. Winter	Mr. Rothblatt	Bill Syer
Nike Hammer	<b><u>THE DIAMOND SMUGGLERS</u></b>	Fuchs
Rocky	Ian Fleming	LeBeers

**THE DIAMOND SMUGGLERS**

**Van Blommestein & Birt**

**Tim Patterson**

**Piet Willers**

**T. S. Patterson**

**Blake**

**Davis**

**de Graaf**

**Mrs. Coetzze**

**Christine Granville**

**Sammy Silberstein**

**Captain van der Westhuisen**

**William Percival Radley ("Tony")**

**Donald Miles**

**Henry Orford**

**Blaize**

**Bernard Nealon**

**Harry Morgan**

**Finkle**

**William N. Witherspoon**

**P. M. R. Willis**

**Ardayast Powanlian**

**David Mitchel**

**Frank Wile**

**Max Pop**

**Francis Gballeit**

**Arthur Sherman**

**Belcher**

**Herbert Cox**

**Monsieur Diamant**

**Harry Openheimer**

**Kutze**

**Groffelaar**

**Patrick Sullivan**

**Leiser Weitman**

**John Gundry**

**Willy Rosen**

**Sillitoe**

**Henry Brasseur**

**Kheir**

**Mr. Capper**

**Robert Johnson**

**Ernest Oppenheimer**



**THE DIAMOND SMUGGLERS**

**Lyall**

**Philip Schreiber**

**Amschel Benny Engel**

**M. Lallet**

**M. Mario Pinci**

**Alio Giwa**

**Nathan Ascher Glatt**

**Dr. H. P. Lowe**

**H. J. Browning (Mr.)**

**Solomon Cukrowicz**

**David Gollansky**

**Alahaju Mustafa Ibrahim**

**Mike Collins**

**R. F. Sheldon**

**Mr. H. Rogers**

**Harras**

**DOCTOR NO**

**John Strangways**

**M**

**Bill Templar**

**Stoker Smith**

**James Molony**

**Dr. Peter Steincrohn**

**Major Boothroyd**

**Quarrel**

**Hugh Foot**

**Mr. Pleydell-Smith**

**Ben Gibbons**

**Josiah Smith**

**John Bryce**

**Waygood Otis**

**Julius No**

**Lemmy**

**FOR YOUR EYES ONLY**

**Rattray**

**Bates**

**Proctor**

**Pyramus**

**Thisbe**

**Havelock**

**Jimmy Farquharson**

**Aschenheim**

**Fayprince**

**Henriques**

**Feddens**

**Major Gonzales**

**von Hammerstein**

**Colonel Johns**

**Haversack**

**Burns Martin**

**Monty**

**Ethan Allen**

**Robin Hood**

**Harvey Millers**

**Godalming**

**Cheltenham**

**Tunbridge Wells**

**Governor**

**Philip Masters**

**FOR YOUR EYES ONLY**

**Tattersall**

**Whitehall**

**Albergo Colomba D'oro**

**Signor Kristatos**

**Ronnie Vallance**

**Santos**

**Enrico Colombo**

**Van Cleef**

**Mr. Toad**

**Albergo Daniell**

**Milton Krest**

**Mr. Abedana**

**Professor Hildebrand**

**FROM RUSSIA WITH LOVE**

**Donovan Grant**

**"Red" Grant**

**Krassno Granitsky**

**"Granit"**

**Dr. Baumgarten**

**Colonel Arkday Fotoyev**

**Lt. Col. Nikolai Godlovsky**

**General Ivan Aleksandrovitch Serov**

**Colonel General Grubozaboyschikov**

**Lt. General Slavin**

**Lt. General Vozdvishensky**

**Tokaev**

**Khoklov**

**Petrov**

**Rene Mathis**

**Drax**

**Colonel Klebb**

**Kronsteen**

**Makharov**

**Fouche**

**Professor Deniken**

**Darko Kerim**

**Lermontov**

**Swaine**

**Adeney**

**Wilkinson**

**Kerim Bey**

**Cecil Beaton**

**FROM RUSSIA WITH LOVE**

Croesus  
David Somerset  
Bianco  
Major Dansey  
Gyllius  
Vavra  
Krilencu  
Zora  
Vida  
Boris Kerim  
Melchior Benz  
Kurt Goldfarb  
Stefan Trempo  
"Tempo"  
Captain Norman Nash  
Wilbur Frank  
Comtesse Metterstein  
Rosa Malheur

**GOLDFINGER**

Blackwell	Homer
Schwab	Philip Scrutton
Santos	Foulks
Johnny Crawford	Hagen
Auric Goldfinger	Bernard Darwin
Mr. Armour	Mr. Scotland
Jill Masterton	Le Touquet
Colonel Smithers	Tilly Masterton
Sassoon	Dr. Foch
Ellerman	Mr. Gold
Lord Cowdray	Helmut M. Springer
Rothschilds, Barings, Jed Midnight Hambros	
Williamson	Billy (The Grinner) Ring
Oppenheimer	Jack Strap
Boris Anrep	Mr. Solo
Hopton Wood	Jim Colossimo
Alfred Blacking	Slappy Hapgood
Farquharson	Giulio
Hawker	Bloody Morgan
Lord Lonsdale	Cortez

**GOLDFINGER**

O' Brien  
Weathership Charlie  
Dutch Schuyts  
Napoleon, Hitler

**LIVE AND LET DIE**

Grady  
Arthur Fein  
Buonaparte Ignace Gallia  
Tee-Hee Johnson  
Leigh Fernor  
Samuel D. Baldwin  
Mr. Halloran  
Captain Dexter  
Zachary Smith  
Baron Samedi  
Sam Miami  
G-G Sumatra  
Flannel  
Mr. Bryce  
Quarrel

**THE MAN WITH THE GOLDEN GUN**

M.  
Captain Walker  
Major Townsend  
Mr. Robson  
  
Sir James Molony  
Bill Tanner  
Ramon "The Rod" Rodriguez  
Enrico Scaramanga  
Harold L. Peterson  
Oliver Winchester  
Beau Desert  
Commander Edmund G. Ross  
Mark Hazard  
Tony Hugill  
Mr. Brown  
Francisco Scaramanga  
Mr. Hendriks  
Sam Binion  
Leroy Gengerella  
Hal Garfinkel

**THE MAN WITH THE GOLDEN GUN**

Louie Paradise	Tranby Croft	Marie Laurencin
Mr. Travis	Steffi Esposito	Leica
Mr. Nick Nicholson	Meyer	Baxter
Stanley Jones	Gibbon	Professor Bhose
King Tiger	Longchamp	Galatea
Sir Alexander Bustamante	Brevett	Graf Hugo von der Drache
Mr. Scramble	Canfield	
Mr. Arosio	Dangerfield	Kaltenbrunner
Rastafari	Max	Otto Skorzeny
Macdonald	Porterfield	Group Captain Tandy
Bannister	Grimley	Peter Trimble
Percival Sampson	General Bealey	Detective-Inspector Vivian
Lister Smith	Duff Sutherland	
Justice Morris Cargill	Morphy	
Doitz	Ronnie Vallance	
Andrian	Tallon	
	Gala Brand	

**MOONRAKER**

Hugo Drax ("Hugger")	Egon Bartsch
Jack Hobbs	Professor Train
Gordon Richards	Dr. Walter
Basildon (Basil)	Willy Krebs

**ON HER MAJESTY'S SECRET SERVICE**

**Phillippe Bertrand**

**Boudin**

**Monet**

**Ernst Stavro Blofeld**

**Croupier**

**Rossi**

**Andre Mattei**

**Peckham**

**Laurence Sterne**

**Johnson**

**Goldsmith**

**Dean Swift**

**Lord Nelson**

**Sable Basilish Pursuivant**

**Gebriider Gumpold-Moosbrugger**

**Tissot**

**Tracy**

**Blauenfelder**

**Monsieur Maurice**

**Monsieur Pol**

**Changeur**

**Marc - Ange Draco**

**Jean Gindicelli**

**Griffon Or**

**Sir Thomas Bond**

**Nell Gweynn**

**Boswell**

**Reynolds**

**Garrick**

**Canning**

**Lord Bently Royal**

**Sir Hilary Bray**

**G. W. Marshall**

**Sir James Malony**

**Achmed**

**Jenny Bray**

**Mary potts**

**O'Neill**

**Maria Stavro Michelopoulos**

**Captain Boris**

**Alphonse de Bleuville**

**D'dsigneys**

**Professor Auguste Kommer**

**Conte de Bleuville**

**ON HER MAJESTY'S SECRET SERVICE**

Fritz	Jed Phancey	Sol (Horror) Horowitz
Ivan	Derek Mallaby	Horst Uhlmann
Bertil Yugo	Ben Said	Lieutenant Morrow
Sir George Dunbar	Maurice Smart	O'Donnell
George Albert Windsor	Don Shirley	Captain Stenor
Ernst George Blofeld	James Grant	
Shaun Campbell	Audrey Thompson	
Herr Graf	Nosy Parker	
Pat Smythe	Hoppy Jones	
Simon de Bleuville	Bill Kenny	
Muir	Charlie Fuqua	
Summerhayes	Harling	
Mr. Leathers	Len Holbrook	
Marius	Frank Donaldson	
Che-Che	Bill Donaldson	
Ernst Stefan Blofeld	Kurt Rainer	
Mr. Franklin	Trude	
Sir Ronald Vallance	Herr Doktor Braunschweig	
Mr. Trumper	Pat Moss	
Toussaint	Elliott Frey	
<b><u>THE SPY WHO LOVED ME</u></b>	Millicent	
Mr. Sanguinetti	Sluggsy Morant	

**THUNDERBALL**

Bircher-Brenner  
Kneipp  
Preissnitz  
Rikli  
Schroth  
Gossman  
Bilz  
Joshua Wain  
Alan Moyle  
Heinkel  
Count Lippe  
Beresford  
Jules  
Gregor Karlski  
Ernst Stavro Blofeld  
Marius Domingue  
Pierre Borraud  
Giuseppi Petacchi  
Fidelio Sciacco  
Bruno Bayer  
Fonda  
Enrico Valli

**YOU ONLY LIVE TWICE**

Vargas	Tiger Tanaka
Emilio Largo	Trembling Leaf
Kotze	Grey Pearl
Leopoldo Rodriques	Dikko Henderson
Dominetta Vitali	Admiral Ohnishi
Pitman	Porterfield
F. Larkin	Sir James Molony
Roddick	Ernst Stavro Blofeld
Felix Leiter	Richard Lovelace Henderson
Bryce	
Harold Christie	Tracy
Sergeant Molony	Colonel Hamilton
Mr. Snow	Prenderghast
Mr. Player	Bill Tanner
Constable Santos	Jim Saunderson
Emil Traut	Mariko Ichiban
Brigadier Fairchild	Superintendent Ando
Peter Pedersen	Taro Todoroki
Admiral Carlson	Kono
Strelik	Kazama
Petty Officer Fallon	
Dr. Stengel	Doctor Guntram Shatter- hand, aka-Comte de Bleuville



# THRILLING CITIES

Leonard Russell	Joey Glimco	Frederick Bussy
Mr. Frere	Francis "The Immune" Maritote	
Hugh Barton	Charles "Cherry Nose" Gioe	
Jack Conder	Richard Hauff	Pierre Jaccoud
Dick Hughes	Cosmo Orlando	Charles Zumbach
Kadoorie	Carlo "Bananas" Urbaniti	
Richard Mason	Ripa	Andre Zumbach
Dr. Lobo	Joseph Broge	Professor Pittard
Samuel Montague	Gene Gleason	Francesco Waldman
Len Cosgrove	Dan Jacobson	Salvatori Funari
"Cos"	David Barlow	
"Tiger" Saito	Felix Leiter	
Alan Searle	Marthe Richard	
Mr. Fratinelli	Antony Terry	
Captain James Hamilton	Knoeller	
Virgil Peterson	"Rickey" Renee	
Professor Philip Fox	Dr. Julius Raab	
Colonel Edward Bradley	Dr. Kriesky	
Ben Goffstein	Anton Karas	
Ray Russell	Colonel Podharsky	
Charles Beaumont	Dr. Bircher-Brenner	
Ray Brennan		

**OCTOPUSSY, THE DARLING**

**Major Dexter Smythe**

**Professor Bengry**

**Dr. Jimmy Greaves**

**Luna**

**Hannes Oberhauser**

**Gieves**

**Arundels**

**Marchesis**

**Dr. Cahusac**

**THE LIVING DAYLIGHTS**

**Corporal Menzies**

**Tanqueray**

**Trigger**

**Captain Paul Sender**

**Grafin Liselotte Mutzenbacher**

**Ameryllis**

**Donskaya**

**Lomova**

**THE PROPERTY OF A LADY**

**Dr. Fanshawe**

**Faberge**

**Kenneth Snowman**

**Peter Wilson**

**Piotr Malinowski**

**CHITTY CHITTY BANG BANG**

**Commander Caractacus Pott**

**Mimsie Pott**

**Jeremy (Pott)**

**Commander Crackpott**

**Lord Skrumshus**

**Man Mountain Fink**

**Soapy Sam**

**Blood-money Banks**

**Monsieur Bon-Bon**

**Jacques**