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

**FROM :** Deputy Director for Plans

**SUBJECT:** Assassination of Martin Luther King

[redacted] On 3 May 1968, an [redacted] provided this Agency, a representative in Rome, with the following information on one James RAY:

A James RAY, born in Los Angeles ca 8 March 1928 (father's name Oliver), arrived at San Ginesiano, Siena, in March 1955 and registered as a student at Perugia. In 1956, RAY was confined at San Ginesiano Hospital and in 1957, he was in Sant'Antonio de Fiesole Hospital. These confinements were for "osteomycitical condition causing bona depression in the cranium, on right parietal temple region." RAY returned permanently to the United States in December 1957.

## 2. The [redacted]

[redacted] have turned up no other information thus far. All Italian entry posts have RAY and his aliases on their watchlist.

3. The Federal Bureau of Investigation representative in Rome was advised of the information in paragraphs 1 and 2 above.

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