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TO DIRECTOR (44-38861), ATLANTA (44-2386), BIRMINGHAM (44-1740),  
HOUSTON, MEMPHIS (44-1987), AND NEW ORLEANS  
FROM LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

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RE LOUIS LOMAX - CHARLES STEIN.

PACIFIC TELEPHONE COMPANY, LOS ANGELES, TODAY ADVISED  
IN STRICTEST CONFIDENCE THEY HAD BEEN REQUESTED BY JAMES B. POTTER,  
JR., MEMBER OF CITY COUNCIL, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, TO FURNISH  
SUBSCRIBER TO TELEPHONE NUMBERS THAT LOUIS LOMAX MIGHT SECURE IN  
ATTEMPTING TO TRACE A LONG DISTANCE TELEPHONE CALL THAT THE  
SUBJECT OF THIS CASE MADE SOMEWHERE NEAR HOUSTON, TEXAS, DURING  
THE TRIP SUBJECT MADE WITH STEIN IN MID-DECEMBER SIXTY SEVEN.  
ACCORDING TO THE COMPANY'S INFORMATION, LOMAX WILL ATTEMPT TO  
GET CHARLES STEIN TO ACCOMPANY HIM IN AN ATTEMPT TO LOCATE A  
PHONE BOOTH WHERE SUBJECT ALLEGEDLY MADE CALL DURING THIS TRIP  
TO NEW ORLEANS FROM LOS ANGELES. COMPANY ADVISES THAT POTTER'S  
POLITICAL STATURE PLACES THEM IN AN EMBARRASSING SITUATION,  
BUT THAT IF REQUESTED, THEY MIGHT POSSIBLY GRANT THE REQUEST  
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TO IDENTIFY THE SUBSCRIBER TO ANY CALL THAT MIGHT BE REFERRED TO THEM BY THE COUNCILMAN. THE COMPANY ADVISES, HOWEVER, THAT THEY DESIRE THAT THE FBI RECEIVE THIS INFORMATION MUCH PRIOR TO ANY TIME THAT IT MIGHT BE GIVEN TO LOMAX, IF SUCH A REQUEST IS MADE. SUCH INFORMATION WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE TO THE LOS ANGELES OFFICE IF LOMAX COMES UP WITH ANY TELEPHONE NUMBERS.

FOR INFORMATION, LOMAX TELEPHONICALLY CONTACTED THE LOS ANGELES OFFICE AND ADVISED THAT HE FELT THAT IF FBI AGENTS COULD ACCOMPANY HIM AND CHARLES STEIN IN RETRACING THE TRIP TO NEW ORLEANS, IT IS POSSIBLE THAT PHONE BOOTHS UTILIZED BY SUBJECT COULD BE LOCATED, AND FBI AGENTS COULD TRACE THE CALL AND GIVE THE RESULTS TO LOMAX FOR A NEWS STORY. LOMAX'S OFFER DECLINED.

AS OF EVENING APRIL TWENTY THREE STEIN, WHO HAS BEEN INTERVIEWED BY LOMAX DURING PAST SEVERAL DAYS, HAD NOT HAD AN OFFER OF RETRACING THE TRIP TO NEW ORLEANS. STEIN THE MORNING OF APRIL TWENTY FOUR ADVISES HE HAD A DEAL COOKING WITH LOMAX AND MET WITH LOMAX AT NOON TODAY. STEIN ADVISES AS A RESULT OF THIS MEETING, LOMAX DESIRES HIM TO BEGIN A TRIP TO HOUSTON TONIGHT

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IN ATTEMPT TO LOCATE A PHONE BOOTH WHERE RAY ALLEGEDLY MADE CALL. STEIN HAS ADVISED LOMAX THAT HIS ASKING PRICE FOR MAKING TRIP IS FOUR THOUSAND DOLLARS, AND THEY ARE CURRENTLY NEGOTIATING THE PRICE STEIN WILL EVENTUALLY GET.

STEIN HAS AGAIN BEEN REINTERVIEWED, CONCERNING WHAT HE CAN RECALL ABOUT THE TELEPHONE CALLS, AND HE ADVISES THAT TO THE BEST OF HIS RECOLLECTION, THERE WERE ABOUT SIX TELEPHONE CALLS IN ALL DURING THE TRIP, MOST OF WHICH WERE IN THE TEXAS AREA. HE ADVISES THAT HE NOW RECALLS THAT ONE PHONE CALL MIGHT HAVE BEEN COMPLETED AND BASED THIS INFORMATION ON THE FACT THAT HE HAD TO WAIT FOR RAY TO RETURN TO THE CAR FOR QUITE A PERIOD OF TIME. IN THE OTHER INSTANCES WHERE TELEPHONES WERE UTILIZED BY RAY HE WAS GONE SUCH A SHORT PERIOD OF TIME STEIN WAS OF OPINION CALLS WERE NOT COMPLETED. HE WAS TAKEN OVER THE TRIP ONCE AGAIN, AND HE ADVISES HE REALLY CANNOT RECALL THE EXACT PLACE OR DESCRIPTION OF THE PLACE WHERE THE CALL HE FELT WAS COMPLETED HAD BEEN MADE. IT WAS, HOWEVER, JUST WEST OF HOUSTON AT A SERVICE STATION TYPE OF ESTABLISHMENT JUST OFF OF INTERSTATE TEN, AND IT WAS AT NIGHT. TYPE OF GAS STATION UNKNOWN, OTHER

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DESCRIPTIVE DATA FURNISHED BY STEIN IS THAT THE PHONE BOOTH IS ON ACCESS ROAD PARALLELLING THE FREEWAY. HE DECLINED TO COMMENT EXACTLY HOW FAR OUTSIDE HOUSTON THE PHONE BOOTH WAS LOCATED BUT DID INDICATE IT WAS NEAR A LIQOR STORE AND GAS STATION, AND AT THIS POINT THE FREEWAY IS EIGHT LANES WIDE, AND A FENCE SEPARATED THE FREEWAY FROM THE ACCESS ROAD, AND THAT THE TIME OF THE CALL WAS APPROXIMATELY NINE PM, DECEMBER SIXTEEN, SIXTY SEVEN.

STEIN ALSO RECALLED THAT THE PERSON WHOM SUBJECT WAS TO CONTACT IN NEW ORLEANS WAS A CONTRACTOR OR ENGINEER WHOSE BUSINESS WAS LOCATED NEAR INDUSTRIAL CANAL. ADVISED THAT IN TALKING TO MARIE MARTIN HE LEARNED A BETTER LOCATION WOULD BE THAT THIS INDIVIDUAL MIGHT BE LOCATED NEAR CHEF MENTUAR HIGHWAY AND JACKSON BARRACKS, NEW ORLEANS.

STEIN ADVISED HE HAS BEEN IN CONTACT WITH LOUIS LOMAX, AND THAT LOMAX HAS OFFERED TO SPLIT THE REWARD OFFERED IN THIS MATTER WITH HIM. HE INDICATED THAT LOMAX AND HE HAVE INTERVIEWED A NUMBER OF PERSONS, AND STEIN DECLINED TO IDENTIFY SUCH PERSONS, ADVISING THAT IF THEIR IDENTITY WAS DESIRED BY THE BUREAU, LOMAX SHOULD BE CONTACTED. STEIN DID ADVISE HE HAS LEARNED FROM LOMAX THAT RAY HAD ALLEGEDLY DATED A WHITE FEMALE

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BLONDE NAMED JERI DURING THE TIME RAY WAS IN LOS ANGELES. THAT JERI IS AN ALIAS, AND SHE HAS ALSO USED OTHER NAMES. STEIN THOUGHT THE NAME QUOTE DARELL UNQUOTE MIGHT HAVE BEEN USED. HE INDICATED THAT JERI COULD POSSIBLY BE AT MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN. ACCORDING TO LOMAX, A FEMALE NAMED HELENA ALSO DATED RAY AT ONE TIME.

STEIN ADVISED FURTHER THAT LOMAX HAD LEARNED THAT RAY MADE A SECOND TRIP TO NEW ORLEANS ABOUT VALENTINE'S DAY, HAVING PICKED UP SOME CLOTHING FROM MARIE MARTIN WHICH BELONGED TO MARIE'S DAUGHTER, WHO LIVES IN NEW ORLEANS. THE DAUGHTER WAS IDENTIFIED BY STEIN AS MARION EISMAN - PHONETIC. STEIN DID NOT KNOW WHETHER OR NOT CLOTHES HAD ACTUALLY BEEN DELIVERED. STEIN ADVISED HE ALSO TOOK PACKAGE OF CLOTHES WITH HIM IN DECEMBER SIXTY SEVEN WHEN HE MADE THE TRIP TO NEW ORLEANS WITH RAY. THESE CLOTHES WERE ALSO FOR MARIE MARTIN'S DAUGHTER MARION.

IT WAS ASCERTAINED FROM MARIE MARTIN THAT AT ABOUT THE TIME SHE TRADED TV SETS WITH RAY, SHE HAD GIVEN HIM A BOX OF RECORDS AND WEARING APPAREL TO BE DELIVERED TO HER DAUGHTER, CARE OF HER MOTHER, LORRAINE CALLAWAY, SIX ZERO NINE BARTHOLOMEW, NEW ORLEANS. SHE ADVISED SHE DID NOT RECALL THIS UNTIL LAST NIGHT WHEN TALKING

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TO STEIN AND LOMAX, AS AT THE TIME SHE GAVE THE CLOTHES TO RAY ABOUT VALENTINE'S DAY, SHE WAS HAVING A DIFFICULT ALCOHOLIC PROBLEM. SHE ADVISED SHE WAS NOT SURE WHETHER OR NOT RAY HAD EVER DELIVERED THE CLOTHES AND TELEPHONICALLY CONTACTED HER MOTHER IN NEW ORLEANS, WHO ADVISED SOME CLOTHING HAD ARRIVED IN THE MOTHER'S ABSENCE, TIME NOT RECALLED, WHICH WERE TAKEN FROM SOMEONE SENT BY MARIE BY HER SISTER, THERESA STONE, WHO WAS AT THE MOTHER'S HOME. MARIE ALSO ADVISED THAT IN TALKING TO STEIN AND LOMAX LAST EVENING, WHEN STEIN MENTIONED THE CONTRACTOR OR ENGINEER WHOSE BUSINESS LOCATED NEAR INDUSTRIAL CANAL, SHE RECALLED HEARING RAY MAKING REFERENCE TO SOMEONE HE KNEW WHO IS LOCATED ON CHEF MENTUR HIGHWAY AND JACKSON BARRACKS, NEW ORLEANS. SHE HAD NO IDEA AS TO WHOM RAY WAS REFERRING AND COULD NOT RECALL AT THIS TIME IN WHAT CONTEXT SHE HEARD THE REFERENCE MADE.

CONCERNING A GIRL FRIEND OF RAY NAMED JERI, OR VARIATIONS THEREOF, SHE ADVISED SHE KNEW NO ONE BY THAT NAME. HOWEVER SHE DID ON ONE OCCASION AT THE SULTAN ROOM MEET A GIRL NAMED DARELL - PHONETIC - EXACT DATE NOT RECALLED, WHOM SHE DESCRIBED AS WHITE, FEMALE, FIVE TWO, AGE TWENTY FIVE, ONE TEN TO TWENTY, END PAGE SIX

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BLONDE HAIR, BLUE EYES, WELL BUILT. SHE ADVISED SHE HAD NEVER SEEN DARELL WITH RAY. SHE ADVISED RAY HAD ONCE DATED A GIRL NAMED HELEN AND RECALLS OVERHEARING THEM SAY THEY WERE GOING QUOTE CHA CHA UNQUOTE DANCING. TO HER KNOWLEDGE, RAY DATED HELEN ONLY ONCE, BUT SHE CANNOT RECALL THE DATE. SHE DESCRIBES HELEN AS WHITE, FEMALE, DARK BROWN HAIR, AGE TWENTY FIVE, HEAVY BUILD, WHO COMES IN THE SULTAN ROOM ON WEEKENDS AND MIGHT HAVE BEEN AT THE SULTAN ROOM APRIL THIRTEEN OR FOURTEEN. ACCORDING TO MARIE, HELEN INDICATED TO HER SHE IS A STUNT RIDER ON HORSES.

MARIE MARTIN IS BEING REINTERVIEWED IN DEPTH FOR ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION THAT WILL POSSIBLY BE OF ASSISTANCE IN THIS MATTER. IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT SHE APPARENTLY IS INDULGING IN SOME NARCOTIC TYPE OF HABIT, AS WELL AS INDULGING IN ALCOHOL.

INQUIRIES AT THE VEGAS CLUB LOCATED NEAR THE ST. FRANCIS HOTEL INDICATE THAT ONE HELENA OCCASIONALLY COMES INTO THE VEGAS CLUB WHO IS A QUOTE BELLY DANCER UNQUOTE AT A BAR LOCATED ON SUNSET BOULEVARD. EFFORTS TO LOCATE THIS HELENA AS POSSIBLE INDIVIDUAL WHO DATED RAY ARE UNDERWAY.

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LOMAX, IN A STORY PUBLISHED AT NEW ORLEANS AND LOS ANGELES, INDICATED HE HAD LOCATED A MYSTERIOUS BLONDE NAMED JERI WHO WAS BEING SOUGHT BY THE FBI AND WHO WAS AN ASSOCIATE OF RAY WHILE HE WAS IN LOS ANGELES. HE INDICATED IN THE STORY THAT SHE WAS A HABITUE OF THE SULTAN ROOM AND RABBIT'S FOOT BAR ALONG HOLLYWOOD BOULEVARD. PERSONNEL OF THE RABBIT'S FOOT BAR ADVISED JERI ENTIRELY UNKNOWN TO THEM, AND THAT LOMAX WAS IN BAR EVENING APRIL TWENTY THREE ATTEMPTING TO FIND SOMEONE WHO KNEW SOMETHING ABOUT GIRL NAMED JERI. THEY ADVISED HE WAS APPARENTLY UNSUCCESSFUL. PERSONNEL OF SULTAN ROOM CLAIM NO ONE NAMED JERI IS KNOWN TO THEM, BUT THAT THEY HAVE HEARD LOMAX MAKING INQUIRIES CONCERNING GIRL OF THAT NAME. IT WAS INDICATED LOMAX HAS MADE THE SULTAN ROOM SORT OF HEADQUARTERS FOR HIS INQUIRIES CONCERNING KING MURDER AND HAS BECOME A NUISANCE. THEY WERE UNAWARE OF ANY PRODUCTIVE RESULTS ON THE PART OF LOMAX AS FAR AS A FEMALE NAMED JERI WAS CONCERNED.

SALLY CARR, PCI, LOS ANGELES, ADVISED THAT ON APRIL TWENTY TWO LAST SHE WAS AT SULTAN ROOM AND OBSERVED LOUIS LOMAX TALKING WITH SEVERAL PEOPLE, INCLUDING CHARLES STEIN. INFORMANT ADVISES SHE RECALLS LOMAX TALKING OF A MARIA, A RITA AND A JERI. THE

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INFORMANT HAS BEEN SENT BACK ON THE EVENING OF APRIL TWENTY FOUR INSTANT TO ASCERTAIN ALL INFORMATION POSSIBLE IN SULTAN ROOM CONCERNING ANY JERI.

MARIE MARTIN AND RITA STEIN ARE BEING REINTERVIEWED AT LENGTH TO DETERMINE ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION THEY MAY HAVE. MARIE MARTIN AT PRESENT TIME IS AWAITING ARRIVAL OF PHYSICIAN BECAUSE SHE ADVISES SHE IS NOT WELL.

IT WOULD SEEM THAT STEIN, IN VIEW OF LOMAX'S OFFER TO SPLIT THE REWARD WITH HIM, HAS BECOME INVOLVED IN ATTEMPTING TO INVESTIGATE THE CASE BY HIMSELF. THE PROVISIONS CONCERNING OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE WILL BE POINTED OUT TO STEIN SHOULD HE ATTEMPT TO CONCEAL ANY DATA THAT MIGHT COME TO HIS ATTENTION CONCERNING THIS MATTER.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION ON LOMAX INDICATES HE WAS BORN LOUIS EMANUEL LOMAX, VALDOSTA, GEORGIA, [REDACTED] [REDACTED] AND HAS BEEN A HIGHLY CONTROVERSIAL NEGRO TV PERSONALITY IN LOS ANGELES AREA. HE IS AUTHOR OF A BOOK ENTITLED QUOTE THE NEGRO REVOLT UNQUOTE. ACCORDING TO LOCAL NEWS MEDIA, HE IS CURRENTLY WRITING SCRIPT FOR MOVIE TO BE BASED ON LIFE OF FORMER MALCOLM X. HE FORMERLY HAD INDIVIDUAL TV SHOW ON

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CHANNEL ELEVEN IN THIS AREA WHICH WAS DROPPED BY THE STATION  
APPROXIMATELY ONE MONTH AGO.

LOS ANGELES CONTEMPLATES NO CONTACTS WITH LOMAX AT  
THIS TIME.

NEW ORLEANS HAS BEEN REQUESTED TELEPHONICALLY TO CONTACT  
MARIE MARTIN'S MOTHER SO TIME OF THIS POSSIBLE SECOND TRIP CAN  
BE PINNED DOWN.

HOUSTON THROUGH CONTACTS AT PHONE COMPANY SHOULD ENDEAVOR  
TO HAVE TOLLS ON ALL POSSIBLE PHONE BOOTHS IN AREA DESCRIBED  
BY STEIN OBTAINED FOR PERIOD OF TWELVE SIXTEEN SIXTY SEVEN AT  
ABOUT NINE PM.

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TO DIRECTOR MEMPHIS, BIRMINGHAM, LOS ANGELES, KANSAS  
CITY, SPRINGFIELD AND MIAMI AND JACKSONVILLE..  
FROM ATLANTA (44-2386)

MURKIN.

SUMMARY OF INVESTIGATION, APRIL TWENTYFOUR, SIXTYEIGHT:

NEW AND USED CAR DEALERS IN ATLANTA AND SUBURBAN AREAS  
HAVE BEEN CONTACTED AND SHOWN PHOTOGRAPHS OF RAY. SUCH CHECKS  
CONCLUDED TODAY AND ALL NEGATIVE. PROJECT OF CONTACTING  
INDIVIDUALS ADVERTISING AUTOMOBILES FOR SALE THROUGHT NEWSPAPER  
ADS BETWEEN MARCH TWENTYFOUR AND APRIL FIVE LAST UNDERWAY,  
NEGATIVE TO DATE, CONTINUING.

CAR RENTAL AGENCIES IN ATLANTA AND SUBURBAN AREAS  
CONCLUDED TODAY WITH PHOTOGRAPHS OF RAY EXHIBITED WITH NEGATIVE  
RESULTS.

CONTACTS WITH CREW MEMBERS ON EASTERN AIRLINES FOREIGN  
FLIGHTS THREE TWO ZERO AND THREE TWO EIGHT ON APRIL FIVE LAST  
CONCLUDED EXCEPT FOR ONE STEWARDESS WHO WILL BE INTERVIEWED APRIL  
TWENTYFIVE NEXT. SUCH CHECKS ARE NEGATIVE.  
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STORAGE GARAGES, CITY OF ATLANTA, CONTACTED AND RAY'S PHOTOGRAPH EXHIBITED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. ALL OPEN PARKING LOTS VICINITY OF ONE ONE THREE FOURTEENTH STREET HAVE BEEN CONTACTED WITH PHOTOGRAPHS OF RAY SHOWN TO OWNERS AND ATTENDANTS WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

REMAINING CREW MEMBERS OF EASTERN AIRLINES FLIGHT ONE THREE THREE, APRIL TWELVE LAST INTERVIEWED REGARDING A PASSENGER RESEMBLING RAY WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. THEY CONFIRMED INFORMATION FURNISHED APRIL TWENTYTHREE, SIXTYEIGHT, BY OTHER CREW MEMBERS WHO STATED GILCHRIST WAS IN ERROR BY STATING ONLY ONE PASSENGER DEBARKED AT HOUSTON, TEXAS. THEY STATED NO ONE ON PLANE RESEBLING RAY.

JIMMIE DELTON GARNER, GARNER'S SISTER AND WOMAN LINEN CHANGER AT ONE ONE THREE FOURTEENTH STREET, REINTERVIEWED THIS DATE AND FURNISHED NO ADDITIONAL INFORMATION.

LEWIE RAYMOND DOWDA CONFINED COUNTY JAIL, MARIETTA, GEORGIA, ON ARMED ROBBERY CONVICTION INTERVIEWED. DOWDA WAS ACQUAINTED WITH RAY AT MISSOURI STATE PENITENTIARY FOR THREE  
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YEARS, ENDING SEPTEMBER TWENTYTHREE, SIXTYSIX, WHEN DOWDA RELEASED. DOWDA STATED RAY WAS DOPE ADDICT, USING INJECTIONS AND WAS ADDICTED PRIOR TO INCARCERATION. RAY USED AMPHETIMINE. DOWDA STATED HAROLD SCHAEFER, GUARD ON GATE AT THE PRISON, WAS FRIENDLY WITH RAY AND BELIEVED BY SOME TO BE SELLING THE AMPHETIMINE. DOWDA CLAIMED RAY HAD UNKNOWN OUTSIDE SOURCE OF INCOME TO SUPPORT A THIRTYFIVE TO FORTY DOLLAR PER WEEK DOPE HABIT AS WELL AS FIFTEEN TO TWENTY DOLLARS PER WEEK OTHER EXPENDITURES. DOWDA CLAIMS THREE NEGRO PRISONERS KILLED IN PRISON AFTER PROTESTING DENIAL OF BLACK MUSLIMS TO WORSHIP. CLAIMED RAY KILLED THE NEGROES OR KNOW WHO DID. DESCRIBED RAY AS RACIST WHO FELT ALL NEGROES IN THAT PRISON SHOULD BE KILLED AND SAID RAY MADE SEVERAL STATEMENTS TO EFFECT IF PRICE WAS RIGHT WOULD KILL MARTIN LUTHER KING. DOWDA STATED RAY'S CLOSEST FRIEND IN PRISON WAS NEIL ABBEY (PHONETIC) WHO HANDLED DOPE AND GOT RAY A JOB IN THE KITCHEN. DOWDA DOES NOT KNOW NEIL ABBEY'S PRESENT WHEREABOUTS BUT ABBEY WAS AT ONE TIME CHIEF COOK AT THE PRISON. ANOTHER

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CLOSE FRIEND WAS DONALD DEAN RIGGER FROM CALIFORNIA WHOSE WIFE WAS A PSYCHIATRIST AT NAPA STATE HOSPITAL LOCATED ABOVE SAN SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA. DOWDA STATED RAY WOULD ONLY HAVE AN ADDRESS FOR HIM IN CARE OF DOWDA'S FATHER, CHARLES ALFRED DOWDA, FORMELY ROUTE ONE, SANFORD, FLORIDA, BUT PRESENTLY ONE ONE ZERO SOUTH CHANDLER STREET, DELAND, FLORIDA. DOWDA DENIES CONTACT IN ANY MANNER WITH RAY SINCE DOWD'S RELEASE. STAIED ANOTHER FORMER INMATE, PAUL ALVIN LAIL, JR., AKA PAUL ALVIN CARTER, THIRTYFOUR BARBODOS DRIVE, PALM SPRINGS, WEST PALM BEACH, FLORIDA, WAS FRIENDLY WITH RAY AND DOWDA SAW LAIL EARLY MARCH, SIXTYEIGHT, BUT NO MENTION MADE OF RAY. DOWDA HAS NO IDEA WHY RAY WOULD GO TO ATLANTA.

MIAMI, CONTACT PAUL ALVIN LAIL, JR., WEST PALM BEACH, FLORIDA, TO DETERMINE IF RAY HAS CONTACTED HIM.

JACKSONVILLE, CONTACT CHARLES ALFRED DOWDA, ONE ONE ZERO SOUTH CHANDLER STREET, DELAND, FLA. TO DETERMINE IF RAY HAS CONTACTED HIM.

KANSAS CITY AT JEFFERSON CITY, MO., INTERVIEW GUARD, HAROLD SCHAEFER, CONCERNING RAY. ALSO DETERMINE PRESENT WHEREABOUTS OF INMATE NEIL ABBEY (PHONETIC) AND DONALD DEAN RIGGER AND  
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SET OUT LEADS FOR THEIR INTERVIEW CONCERNING POSSIBLE CONTACT  
BY RAY.

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TO DIRECTOR, MEMPHIS, BIRMINGHAM, NEW ORLEANS, AND ATLANTA  
FROM LOS ANGELES (44-1574) ( 5P)

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RELATEL APRIL TWENTY-FOUR LAST.

RE MARIE MARTIN:

MARIE MARTIN REINTERVIEWED APRIL TWENTY-FOUR LAST. SHE ADVISED THAT DURING FIRST TWO INTERVIEWS SHE WAS NERVOUS, CONFUSED AND EXCITED BECAUSE SHE FELT SHE MIGHT BECOME INVOLVED IN SERIOUS TROUBLE. SHE STATED THAT SHE HAD BEEN DRINKING HEAVILY PRIOR TO HER ORIGINAL INTERVIEWS. SINCE THEN SHE HAS DISCONTINUED HER EXCESSIVE DRINKING IN ORDER TO BETTER RECALL HER ASSOCIATION WITH RAY. AT PRESENT SHE IS BEING TREATED BY PHYSICIAN FOR "PINKEYE". SHE FURNISHED THE SAME INFORMATION AS DURING THE PREVIOUS INTERVIEWS WITH FOLLOWING EXCEPTION: SHE BELIEVES THAT RAY AND STEIN WERE GONE FROM LOS ANGELES APPROXIMATELY SEVEN DAYS ON THEIR TRIP TO NEW ORLEANS. SHE SAID FURTHER THAT CHARLES STEIN CAME TO THE SULTAN  
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ROOM DURING THE NIGHT SHE FIRST MET RAY AND ARRANGEMENTS WERE MADE THERE FOR TRANSPORTATION TO NEW ORLEANS. RAY WAS NOT TRANSPORTED TO VISIT STEIN AS SHE STATED IN INTERVIEW ON FOUR FOURTEEN SIXTY-EIGHT. SHE SAID THAT SHE CAN NOT RECALL THE EVENTS AFTER SHE LEFT WORK AT TWO A.M. ON THE FIRST NIGHT SHE MET RAY. SHE SAID SHE WAS NOT IN THE COMPANY OF RAY OR RITA STEIN OR RAY AFTER SHE LEFT WORK.

SHE NOW RECALLS THAT THE DAY RAY LAST CAME TO HER ROOM AT THE ST. FRANCIS HOTEL WAS SHORTLY AFTER HE GRADUATED FROM A BARTENDERS SCHOOL. SHE GAVE HIM A BOX OF PHONOGRAPH RECORDS TO DELIVER TO HER MOTHER, LORRAINE CALLAWAY, SIX ONE ONE BARTHOLOMEW STREET, NEW ORLEANS, IN THAT HE SAID HE WAS GOING TO NEW ORLEANS. SHE SAID THAT SHE HAS LEARNED TODAY (APRIL TWENTY-FOUR SIXTY-EIGHT) THAT RAY LEFT THE BOX AT THE RESIDENCE OF HER SISTER, THERESA, IN NEW ORLEANS.

MARTIN STATED THAT RAY LATER THE SAME DAY LEFT A SET OF BARBELLS IN FRONT OF THE DOOR TO HER ROOM, ASKING HER TO KEEP THEM FOR HIM. MARTIN SAID SHE DID NOT GET UP FROM HER BED DURING THIS CONVERSATION WHICH TOOK PLACE THROUGH THE DOOR. SHE ALSO RELATED THAT RAY SAID THAT HE STAYED AT SOME FRIENDS WHO LIVED AT OR NEAR

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THE CHEF MENTEUR HIGHWAY AT NEW ORLEANS, WHEN RAY AND STEIN WENT THERE TO PICK UP RITA STEIN'S CHILDREN IN DECEMBER SIXTY-SEVEN. SHE SAID THAT ON THE EVENING OF APRIL TWENTY-THREE LAST, CHARLES STEIN BROUGHT TELEVISION PERSONALITY LOUIS LOMAX TO HER ROOM AT THE HOTEL. MOST OF THE CONVERSATION WITH LOMAX DEALT WITH MARTIN'S EXCHANGE OF TELEVISION SETS WITH RAY AND IF MARTIN KNEW OF ANY GIRLS THAT RAY DATED IN LOS ANGELES. MARTIN SAID SHE TOLD LOMAX THAT SHE KNEW OF NO GIRLS THAT RAY DATED IN LOS ANGELES. SHE ADVISED RAY UNSUCCESSFULLY ATTEMPTED TO DATE A WOMAN, KNOWN ONLY TO MARTIN AS HELENE, A FORMER EXOTIC DANCER. SHE SAID ON ONE OCCASSION RAY WENT DANCING WITH A GIRL NAMED HELEN, DIFFERENT FROM THE ABOVE, WHO CLAIMED TO BE A STUNT RIDER ON THE TELEVISION PROGRAM "GUNSMOKE."

MARTIN IN CONNECTION WITH THE RECORDS SHE GAVE RAY AND THE BARBELLS HE LEFT COULD ONLY FIX THE TIME INVOLVED AS BOTH EVENTS OCCURRED ON THE SAME DAY AND THAT IT WAS AFTER RAY HAD GRADUATED FROM BARTENDERS SCHOOL. CLAIMS NO INTIMACY WITH RAY.

PREVIOUS INFO THIS CASE REFLECTS GRADUATION BARTENDERS SCHOOL WAS MARCH SECOND LAST.

INQUIRY BY NEW ORLEANS OFFICE THIS MATTER INDICATES DAUGHTER OF MARTIN RECALLS RECEIVING CALL FROM HER MOTHER MARCH SIXTEEN LAST THAT A BOX WAS COMING. IT WOULD SEEM THAT RAY TOOK BOX WITH HIM

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AFTER CHECKING OUT OF ST. FRANCIS HOTEL THREE SEVENTEEN SIXTY-EIGHT RATHER THAN IN FEBRUARY.

INVESTIGATION CONTINUING INTO BACKGROUND OF MARTIN AND STEINS. BARBELLS IN POSSESSION OF LA.

RE RITA STEIN

RITA STEIN, FIVE SIX SIX SIX FRANKLIN AVE., LOS ANGELES RE INTERVIEWED THIS DATE AND FURNISHED SUBSTANTIALLY THE SAME INFORMATION AS FURNISHED PREVIOUSLY, EXCEPT IN SLIGHTLY GREATER DETAIL. IN ADDITION, SHE FURNISHED FOLLOWING BACKGROUND INFORMATION: SHE WAS MARRIED AT AGE EIGHTEEN, IN NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA, TO ALBERT DEMEN, WHO TO BEST OF HER KNOWLEDGE STILL RESIDES THERE. SHE HAD TWIN GIRLS BY THIS MARRIAGE. SHE LATER MARRIED STAN ROSA, IN NEW ORLEANS, WHO WAS USED CAR SALESMAN IN BUSINESS WITH BROTHER, CHARLES STEIN, IN THAT CITY AND IN LOS ANGELES. SHE HAD TWO BOYS BY THIS MARRIAGE. SHE REPORTS ROSA DIED ABOUT TWO YEARS AGO DUE TO OVER DOSE OF NARCOTICS IN HOLLYWOOD, CALIF. STATES NEITHER SHE NOR BROTHER ARE EMPLOYED, THAT SHE RECEIVES SOCIAL SECURITY PAYMENTS FOR DECEASED HUSBAND. HER APARTMENT APPEARED TO BE WELL FURNISHED.

RITA STEIN STATED HAD NO PERSONAL KNOWLEDGE OF ANY SECOND TRIP BY RAY TO NEW ORLEANS. HOWEVER, HER COUSIN, MARIE MARTIN, HAS TOLD HER HE DID MAKE SECOND TRIP IN EITHER FEBRUARY OR MARCH OF

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THIS YEAR AT WHICH TIME MARIE GAVE HIM SOME PHONOGRAPH RECORDS TO BE RETURNED TO HER DAUGHTER, MARION D'GRASSE, SIX THREE ONE OR SIX ONE ONE BARTHOLOMEW, NEW ORLEANS.

STEIN STATED RAY WAS EXTREMELY SHY AND NEVER WOULD LOOK HER IN THE EYE WHILE TALKING TO HER. UPON HIS RETURN FROM NEW ORLEANS WITH HER CHILDREN, IN DECEMBER 67 SHE INVITED RAY TO XMAS DINNER WHICH SHE WOULD COOK, BUT HE REFUSED INVITATION. ALSO STATED RAY NEVER WAS IN ANY PART OF HER HOME, EXCEPT FOR A FEW STEPS INSIDE FRONT DOOR AT TIME HE BROUGHT HER CHILDREN FROM NEW ORLEANS AND AT TIME OF REGISTERING FOR WALLACE IN DECEMBER 67. HAS NO KNOWLEDGE OF ANY GIRL FRIEND NAMED JERI OR OTHER GIRL FRIENDS THAT RAY MIGHT HAVE HAD.

KIMMY AND CHERYL DEMEN, RITA STEINS' EIGHT YEAR OLD TWIN GIRLS ALSO QUESTIONED AS TO ANY INFORMATION THEY MIGHT HAVE CONCERNING RAY AND THEIR TRIP FROM NEW ORLEANS AND THEY ADVISED THAT RAY NEVER SPOKE MUCH ON THE TRIP BUT USED TO HUM LOUDLY ACCOMPANYING CAR RADIO MUSIC SOUNDING LIKE A TRAIN WHISTLE. STAYED IN NO MOTELS, AND CHILDREN ATE IN CAR. RAY PAID FOR FOOD. REMEMBERED THAT THEY STOPPED TO THROW SNOWBALLS SOMEWHERE IN TEXAS DURING TRIP. HAVE NO ADDITIONAL INFORMATION THEY COULD RECALL AT THIS TIME.

INVESTIGATION ALL PHASES CONTINUES.

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RE ATLANTA TEL THREE FIFTY FIVE P.M. APRIL TWENTY LAST.

ATLANTA IS REQUESTED TO ASCERTAIN ALL NUMBERS IN  
INSCRIPTION APPEARING ON NEGATIVE POST OF SEARS BATTERY LOCATED  
INSTANT MUSTANG AND THEREAFTER SET FORTH LEAD FOR MILWAUKEE  
DIVISION TO CONTACT LARRY AMATEIS, FIELD SERVICE MANAGER,  
GLOBE UNION, INC., MILWAUKEE, IN AN EFFORT TO ASCERTAIN WHICH  
GLOBE UNION, INC., PLANT MANUFACTURED BATTERY IN QUESTION AND  
TO WHAT STATE BATTERY IN QUESTION WAS SHIPPED TO A SEARS,  
ROEBUCK AND CO. STORE.

IF EXACT STATE ASCERTAINED WHERE BATTERY WAS SHIPPED,  
NOTIFY INTERESTED OFFICES.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS. P.

END.

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FBI DETROIT

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TO DIRECTOR (44-38861)

BIRMINGHAM

FROM DETROIT (44-989)

MURKIN.

RE BIRMINGHAM TELETYPE TO BUREAU APRIL SEVENTEEN LAST.

RE SIXTY SIX WHITE MUSTANG EIGHT CYLINDER HARDTOP.

LOU ECHLIN, SECURITY DEPT., FORD MOTOR CO., ADVISED  
HIS DEPT. REVIEWED ONE MILLION FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND WARRANTY  
CARDS INDICATING ALL WARRANTY WORK PERFORMED SINCE  
AUGUST THIRTY, NINETEEN SIXTY SEVEN. NO WARRANTY SERVICE  
PERFORMED SINCE THAT DATE ON A SIXTY SIX MUSTANG, VIN  
SIX T ZERO SEVEN C ONE NINE ZERO SIX SEVEN FOUR.

AIR MAIL COPIES SENT ATLANTA, MEMPHIS, AND KANSAS CITY.

END.

LJD

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FBI ATLANTA

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TO DIRECTOR, MEMPHIS, BIRMINGHAM, SPRINGFIELD AND SAN DIEGO  
FROM ATLANTA 44-2386 1P

MURKIN

RE SAN DIEGO TEL TO ATLANTA, APR. TWO FOUR, LAST.

RE: SUBJECT HARVEY EDWARD LOHMEYER

FBI NO. SEVEN THREE ZERO NINE SEVEN NINE A

SPRINGFIELD FURNISH ATLANTA LOHMEYER'S PHOTO AND NAMES  
OF INMATES, MATCHING LOHMEYER'S GENERAL DESCRIPTION, CONFINED  
WITH RAY, MENARD PRISON.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS. P

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4/24/68

Airtel

To: SAC's, Los Angeles (44-1574)  
Memphis (44-1987)

From: Director, FBI (44-38861)

MURKIN

Re Los Angeles teletypes 4/20/68, and 4/23/68.

Fingerprints James Earl Ray, FBI #405942G, not identical latent fingerprint previously reported in case entitled "Unsub.; U. S. National Bank, Buena Park Branch, 6301 Beach Boulevard, Buena Park, California, 11/22/67; BR," Bufile #91-23587, latent case #87819.

No palm prints here for Ray for comparison latent palm print previously reported latent case #87819 and case entitled "Unsub.; First Western Bank, Compton Office, 1701 Long Beach Boulevard, Compton, California, 2/28/68; BR," Bufile #91-29482, latent case #90307.

No latent prints of value reported in other three bank robbery cases named in Los Angeles teletype of 4/23/68.

Fingerprints of Ray compared with remaining latent fingerprints in bank robbery section of National Unidentified Latent File, but no identification effected.

- ① - Birmingham (44-1740)
- 1 - Kansas City (44-760)

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**Airtel**

**To: SAC, Los Angeles**

**From: Director, FBI (44-38861)**

**MURKIN**

**Re Almena Loman - Complainant.**

Enclosed are two copies for Los Angeles and one copy each for Atlanta, Birmingham and Memphis of a letter from Almena Loman dated 4/13/68 which was forwarded to the Bureau by the Civil Rights Division.

Los Angeles contact Almena Loman and review the subscription list she refers to for any pertinent names associated with this case.

**Enclosures (3)**

1 - Atlanta (Enclosure)

① - Birmingham (Enclosure)

1 - Memphis (Enclosure)

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# LOMAX POLL AND TRIBUNE

A Monthly Poll of Negro Opinion  
A Quarterly Organ of Negro Thought and Opinion

Almena Lomax, Editor-Publisher

1215 S. Tremaine  
Los Angeles 90019, Calif.

938 - 8458, area code, 213

April 13, 1968

Attorney General Ramsey Clark  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

I hate to be thought a quack, but I cannot get a very disturbing similarity of events which might relate to the slaying of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. out of my mind, and so, at whatever risk, I am impelled to write you.

I publish the above-named Poll monthly and the Tribune, a little magazine when I can; but I covered the funeral of Dr. King for a newspaper, The Post, published at 2973 Sacramento st., Berkeley, Calif. 94705, a Negro weekly. I also serve The Post at present as a consultant, or contributing editor, in its efforts to build up its editorial content.

I just returned last night from Berkeley and after being away almost all week, what with the funeral, have just caught up on the daily papers; and I was struck by the similarity of reported activities of the suspected killer and a fictional killer I created in an unpublished book, "The Ten Most Wanted White Men". As the title would suggest, this man, who is sort of deranged by frustration over the continued humiliation of Negroes by the nonviolent movement and the continued violation of them by Deep South racists, picks out the ten racists from whose deaths he thinks the Negro would most benefit and goes out and kills them.

I published the first five chapters in the Tribune. I am a former weekly newspaper publisher for 19 years of the Los Angeles Tribune, and I began the Tribune out of frustration while living in Tuskegee, Ala. in 1964-65. I started the Tribune, as a 'little magazine', as the Tuskegee Tribune, a mimeographed newspaper, and a large number of whites of the town, who were described by knowledgeable Negroes of the town as "members of the White Citizens Council" and Kluxer-types, subscribed.

I have as many subscribers among Alabamians whom I know or suppose to be white, as I do among Negroes — not that there are many of either.

Covering the Tuskegee City Council couldn't hold my interest, as I had suspended publication of the Tribune as a newspaper in order to write creatively,

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Attorney General Ramsey Clark, 2

and I left Tuskegee in February of 1965 and returned to Los Angeles.

I have continued to send the Tribune to my southern subscribers, including the whites, whenever I have brought it out.

Beginning with the 14th number in March of 1965, I serialized "The Ten Most Wanted White Men", and continued into the fifth chapter before I got a contract for the book from Houghton-Mifflin Co. Other than in the first chapter where my hero, or anti-hero, conceived his plan as a way out of his frustration and lists his intended victims, I didn't in the serialization give away his plans or modus operandi. However, the idea was there.

Also, the entire book of 36 ~~pages~~ <sup>chapters</sup> has been read by Houghton Mifflin, which eventually decided not to publish it, on the grounds that the anti-hero was not believable, and by Globe Press, which rejected it, too. The first ten chapters were read, and rejected, last Summer by Harper & Row and have since been at Random House, along with the book's summary.

I hope you will not feel that I am suggesting that any of the readers of this book would be so insane as to assassinate Dr. King. However, the coincidence of your suspect apparently having abandoned a car in Atlanta, just walked away from it; belonging to the seaman's union in Mobile; renting the room in the rundown rooming house, and the actions of my anti-hero, or killer, is so striking that I hope it excuses this long and detailed letter. Perhaps it is my imagination, but the personality, the stride, etc., suggested by the newspaper stories, suggest my Josiah Herron, who likes to think of himself as "the Bronze Bomber", a sort of avenger of Negroes.

There is further the fact that while I was in Atlanta, I heard many people in the crowd outside the church and along the march say they feared, or had heard, that Rev. Abernathy, Stokely Carmichael, Congressman Adam Powell, and other Negro leaders were going to be "gotten". Some few people said they thought the killer might be standing on the sidewalk along the line of march.

I also heard that Negro extremists in Atlanta were planning to burn and blow up businesses, specifically Sears and others along Gordon Road, which is just above the Capitol Homes Housing Project where the car was parked in Atlanta. I lived from September 1 to Oct. 29, of 1965 in Atlanta and have a son in college there, though he is not an extremist or racist, and so have many leads there. I thought it notable that there was no mention of harming the housing project, even though many of the whites living there are openly hostile to Negroes passing there en route to shop on Gordon Road.

None of this may be of any value. However, I felt I had to relay it. Now that Mrs. King and Rev. Abernathy have resolved to continue the march to Washington, the same person or persons who were sufficiently exercised by distress as to kill Dr. King may attempt to harm them; and I felt that if I know anything which might remotely help solve the murder, I should relay it.

Attorney General Ramsey Clark, 3

I do not keep the world's best records; but if you should like to look at my Alabama mailing list, I could type the names and addresses off the cards and send them to you. I think there are a couple in Birmingham.

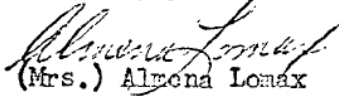
My book is pretty much in disarray; one gets discouraged after three years. But if looking at it would shed any light, I think I could shuffle the chapters together. However, as you can see, I am wordy. It's about 400,000 words.

I will be at The Post Thursday and Friday, I think; but the address and phone number on the letterhead are my residence, where I do my other work.

I wish you the very best of luck in your investigation.

al/ml

Sincerely yours,

  
(Mrs.) Alma Lomax  
Editor-Publisher  
Lomax Poll and Tribune

P. S.: If you should have anyone from the local office of the FBI contact me, would you have them phone first?

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Airtel

To: SAC's, Atlanta (44-2386)  
Memphis (44-1987)

From: Director, FBI (44-38861)

MURKIN

Re Atlanta letter 4/19/68, submitting a  
luncheon check.

No latent impressions of value developed  
on the luncheon check, which is being retained temporarily  
in Latent Fingerprint Section.

① - Birmingham (44-1740)

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CONTRIBUTOR OF FINGERPRINTS	NAME AND NUMBER	ARRESTED OR RECEIVED	CHARGE	DISPOSITION
Army	James Earl Ray #16 163 129	February 19, 1946		
Sheriff's Office Los Angeles, California	James Earl Ray #B-119908	October 11, 1949	suspicion of burglary	
Police Department Los Angeles, California	James Earl Ray #139648	October 11, 1949	suspicion 459 Penal Code (burglary)	8 months County Jail suspended; 2 years probation served; first 90 days County Jail; 146 December 30, 1949 Csl29438
Sheriff's Office Cedar Rapids, Iowa	James E. Ray #5937	April 18, 1950	vagrancy	
Police Department Alton, Illinois	James Earl Ray #7514	July 23, 1951	no operator's license - no State License - no City License	released to pay later
Police Department Chicago, Illinois	James Ray #D90696	May 6, 1952	robbery (Gun)	Grand Jury \$3000
Cook County Jail Chicago, Illinois	James Ray #131165	May 9, 1952	robbery	June 13, 1952 sentenced to penitentiary 1 to 2 years
State Penitentiary Joliet, Illinois	James E. Ray #32419	June 13, 1952	robbery	1 to 2 years
State Penitentiary Pontiac, Illinois	James E. Ray #19121	July 7, 1952 in transfer from Joliet	robbery	1 to 2 years March 12, 1954 discharged

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CONTRIBUTOR OF FINGERPRINTS	NAME AND NUMBER	ARRESTED OR RECEIVED	CHARGE	DISPOSITION
Sheriff's Office Edwardsville, Illinois	James Earl Ray #2640	August 30, 1954	burglary and larceny	
Police Department Hannibal, Missouri	James E. Ray #40714	March 23, 1955	investigation of breaking and entering Post Office	
State Highway Patrol Macon, Missouri	James Earl Ray #B-3376	March 23, 1955	cashing stolen postal money orders	released to Postal Inspector Kansas City, Missouri March 24, 1955
United States Marshal Kansas City, Missouri	James Earl Ray #12018	March 28, 1955	forgery United States Postal Money Order	sentenced to 15 months custody of Attorney General
Sheriff's Office Kansas City, Missouri	James Earl Ray #29637	March 28, 1955	Forgery - Government	July 7, 1955 3 years and 9 months
United States Penitentiary Leavenworth, Kansas	James Earl Ray #72498-L	July 7, 1955	Post Office Laws Forge Money Orders	3 years and 9 months May 20, 1958 conditional release March 31 1959 maximum April 5, 1958 conditional release on charge of Post Office forgery Post Office Money Orders
Police Department Saint Louis, Missouri	James Earl Ray #81071	October 10, 1959	suspicion of robbery	

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Director



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CONTRIBUTOR OF FINGERPRINTS	NAME AND NUMBER	ARRESTED OR RECEIVED	CHARGE	DISPOSITION
Police Department Saint Louis, Missouri	James Earl Ray #81071	October 16, 1959	suspicion of robbery stealing and fugitive other authorities	
State Penitentiary Jefferson City, Missouri	James Earl Ray #00416	March 17, 1960	"TC" operating motor vehicle without permission of owner robbery first "b/m DDW" (2 charges)	20 years (20, 7, 5, concurrent)
State Hospital Number 1 Fulton, Missouri	James Earl Ray #37045 C-5	September 8, 1966	Patient	

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CONTRIBUTOR OF FINGERPRINTS	NAME AND NUMBER	ARRESTED OR RECEIVED	CHARGE	DISPOSITION
	<p>WANTED: James Earl Ray for escape April 23, 1967                      (operating motor vehicle without permission of owner; robbery first degree "b/m of a D &amp; DW")                      (will extradite) Notify Warden State Penitentiary Jefferson City, Missouri information received May 10, 1967.</p>			

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John Edgar Hoover  
Director

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WITH AGENCY CONTRIBUTING THOSE FINGERPRINTS.

CONTRIBUTOR OF FINGERPRINTS	NAME AND NUMBER	ARRESTED OR RECEIVED	CHARGE	DISPOSITION
	WANTED BY BUREAU: James Earl Ray, also known as, James McBride, James Walyon, W.C. Herron, James O'Conner, Jim, for unlawful flight to avoid custody-robbery first Fugitive Index #121426 Bureau file #88-41730 Office of Origin Kansas City information received July 27, 1967. CAUTION: ARMED AND DANGEROUS			
	Alias: James Walton			
	WANTED BY BUREAU: Eric Starvo Galt, also known as Harvey Lowmyer, John Willard, Civil Rights-Conspiracy Fugitive Index #127540 Bureau File #44-38861 Office of Origin Memphis. Information received April 19, 1968. CAUTION: ARMED AND DANGEROUS			
	THIS PAGE SHOULD NOT BE DISSEMINATED OUTSIDE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION.			

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John Edgar Hoover  
Director

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Washington, D. C. 20537

**REPORT**

of the

**IDENTIFICATION DIVISION****LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION**

YOUR FILE NO. **44-2386**  
 FBI FILE NO. **44-38861**  
 LATENT CASE NO. **91075**

**April 24, 1968**TO: **SAC, Atlanta**RE: **MURKIN**

REFERENCE: **Bureau telephone calls of 4/19/68**  
 EXAMINATION REQUESTED BY: **Atlanta**  
 SPECIMENS:

**This report confirms and supplements Butel dated 4/19/68.**

See the attached page for the results of the comparisons of two of the latent fingerprints previously reported in this case, and the page attached to the report dated 4/24/68, to Memphis, for results of comparisons of six of the latent fingerprints. The remaining latent fingerprints, with the exception of the latent fingerprint previously reported on the lift from the flophouse marked "Rt. side of fireplace (front)," are not identical with the fingerprints of James Earl Ray, FBI #405942G. The latent print lifted from the flophouse and the two latent impressions previously reported were compared, insofar as possible, with the fingerprints of Ray, but no identification was effected. Major case prints of Ray needed for conclusive comparison with these latent prints, as well as with the latent palm prints reported in this case.

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 2 - Memphis (44-1987)

John Edgar Hoover, Director

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Your File No. 44-2386  
FBI File No. 44-38861  
Latent Case No. 91075

April 24, 1968

RE: JAMES EARL RAY, FBI #405942G

The two latent fingerprints previously reported on the Map of Mexico, Q194, have been identified with the fingerprints of James Earl Ray.

4/24/68

**AIRTEL**

**TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)**  
**FROM: SAC, MIAMI (44-1854) (P)**  
**SUBJECT: MURKIN**  
**CR**

**(OO: Memphis)**

Re Bureau airtel to all offices dated 4/19/68,  
and Miami airtel to the Bureau dated 4/23/68.

Re: Laundry Marking Machine and Code 20B-3.

ROBERT BERMAN, proprietor, Famous Cleaners,  
3454 N. W. 7th Avenue, Miami, completed a review of his  
records dating back to April, 1967, and determined that only  
two yellow tapes bearing code 20B-3 were used for the  
Royal Palm Cleaners, 4016 Royal Palm Avenue, Miami Beach,  
since April, 1967. These tapes were used on 9/28/67 and  
10/24/67.

ROBERT ROTH, proprietor, Royal Palm Cleaners,  
reviewed his records for 4/28/67 and 10/24/67 and determined  
that code 20B-3 was used on three undershirts and six  
handkerchiefs in the name of Mr. LAURENT on 9/28/67. His  
records further indicated that on 10/24/67 code 20B-3 was  
used on two shirts in the name of Mr. CONEN. At no time  
was code 20B-3 on a yellow tape used on any bedsheets or  
pillow cases.

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1 - Albany (Info) (RM)  
1 - Atlanta (Info) (RM)  
2 - Memphis (RM)  
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1 - Miami  
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*L.A. Ward*

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**All other laundries using a Thermo Seal Marking Machine in the Miami Division were contacted and advised they do not use code 2B-3 on their laundry tapes.**

**SUSPECT ARMED AND DANGEROUS.**

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AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

TO: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)  
FROM: SAC, MOBILE (157-2627) (P)  
SUBJECT: MURKIN  
CIVIL RIGHTS  
(OO: MEMPHIS)

Referenced Birmingham airtel to Mobile, copy to Memphis, 4/17/68, set forth lead at Gilbertown, Ala., concerning the family named GALT residing there in 1937-38.

In view of the subsequent identification of subject, no investigation is being made concerning this lead at Gilbertown.

2 - Memphis  
① - Birmingham (44-1740) (Info.)  
2 - Mobile  
JTB:mb  
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AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

TO: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)  
FROM: SAC, MOBILE (157-2627) (P)  
SUBJECT: MURKIN  
(OO: MEMPHIS)

RE: SUSPECT WILLIAM KYLE LIVINGSTON, aka  
Sonny Kyle Livingston

Re Birmingham teletype to Mobile and Memphis,  
4/18/68.

Enclosed for Memphis are 25 copies and for  
Birmingham one copy of insert reflecting investigation at  
Montgomery eliminating LIVINGSTON.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

2 - Memphis (Encls. 25)  
① - Birmingham (44-1740) (Enc. 1) (Info)  
2 - Mobile  
JTB:ljr  
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MO 157-2627

JTB:ljr

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RE: SUSPECT WILLIAM KYLE LIVINGSTON, Also Known As  
Sonny Kyle Livingston

The following investigation was conducted on  
April 19, 1968 at Montgomery, Alabama, by SA GERALD O.  
GRAYBILL:

ROBERT SIEVERS, Director of Safety, P and P  
Trucking, 1485 Furnace Street, Montgomery, Alabama,  
furnished the daily driver's log for April 4, 1968 for  
WILLIAM KYLE (SONNY)LIVINGSTON, a driver for this company.

SIEVERS advised that log reflects LIVINGSTON  
departed Montgomery driving Truck #15 at 12:00 a.m. on  
April 4, 1968 and arrived Carnesville, Georgia, at 5:00 p.m.

SIEVERS advised that after a one (1) hour lay over  
in Carnesville, LIVINGSTON departed that station at 6:00 p.m.  
and arrived Greensboro, North Carolina at 11:00 p.m.

SIEVERS exhibited gas receipts signed by W. K.  
LIVINGSTON on the trip from Montgomery, Alabama, to Elizabeth,  
New Jersey, the first gas receipt being made out to the Kings  
Mountain Truck Plaza, Kings Mountain, North Carolina, on April  
4, 1968 and also a toll receipt for the Richmond-Petersburg Turnpike  
also dated April 4, 1968.

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Date: 4/24/68

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

TO: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)  
FROM: SAC, JACKSON (157-9586)  
MURKIN

Re Chicago tel to Jackson, Birmingham and Memphis dated 4/20/68; Jackson airtel to Memphis dated 4/22/68 re GERALD ELWOOD HULTGREN, FBI #745724D.

For the information of New Orleans, Mrs. LENORE STEWART, Chicago, Ill., advised that her son, GERALD ELWOOD HULTGREN, last known to be residing in Pascagoula, Miss., with an individual named E. M. RAY, allegedly took a trip to an unknown location. Mrs. STEWART furnished E. M. RAY's name as a possible suspect in this matter.

Referenced Jackson airtel disclosed that E. M. RAE, correct spelling, is a lifelong resident of Pascagoula, is well known in the community and bears no similarity of descriptions of subject.

HULTGREN is presently being sought by Pascagoula PD as a suspect in the theft of a pay check of E. M. RAE.

In view of the above investigation at Pascagoula, New Orleans should discontinue efforts to locate HULTGREN

2 - Memphis (44-1987)  
2 - New Orleans  
① - Birmingham (44-1740) (Info)  
1 - Jackson  
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Approved: *RKM* \_\_\_\_\_ Sent \_\_\_\_\_ M Per \_\_\_\_\_  
Special Agent in Charge

JN 157-9586

who allegedly left for New Orleans, Louisiana, and that  
E. M. RAE has been eliminated as a possible suspect.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, BIRMINGHAM (44-1740)

DATE: 4/23/68

FROM : SA FLOYD I. CLARKE

SUBJECT: MURKIN  
CR

Re Atlanta airtel to Birmingham, 4/18/68.

On 4/23/68:

The following investigation was conducted by SA FLOYD I. CLARKE in efforts to determine the whereabouts of EDWARD UHLAN HILL during period of assassination.

Patrolman JIM WORD, Piedmont Police Department, Piedmont, Alabama, advised his records indicated that EDWARD UHLAN HILL was booked into the Piedmont City Jail in the early morning hours of 4/8/68 for the charge of Assault with the Intent to Murder with a shotgun. WORD stated that he believed HILL had previously been employed at Marvel Quilting Company, Piedmont, Alabama.

MARTIN OLTSIK, New York Representative, Marvel Quilting Company, Piedmont, Alabama, advised that EDWARD HILL was previously employed by that firm, but his employment was short lived due to a knifing incident wherein, HILL was wounded and he has not been back to work since. OLTSIK stated he did not know the exact times or dates of HILL's employment and that the company records are maintained in their main office in New York, but he would obtain this information from his main office and furnish it to this Agent.

EDWARD UHLAN HILL was located at the residence of JEANETTE SMITH, Piedmont, Alabama, where he stated he had been living while in the Piedmont area. HILL advised he had been in Piedmont approximately six weeks. HILL stated he came to Piedmont after being released from jail in Birmingham, and prior to that he was in jail in Atlanta. While in Piedmont HILL said he worked for Marvel Quilting Company until he was cut in a fight in Piedmont on 4/8/68, and he had been living with JEANETTE and JAMES MARION SMITH.

HILL stated he has never belonged to the Ku Klux Klan, but that he had been approached by Klan members to join but he has always turned the offers down. He said he received training in the handling of explosives while in the Army and while serving on a chain gang he handled explosives in blasting rock.

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HILL also advised that he had not been approached by anyone to handle any kind of a job involving explosives, but if he ever was he would work by himself and he would not join an organization such as the Klan.

HILL stated he did not have any knowledge concerning the assassination of KING. He did state however, that he used to be an informant for the ATU and he feels that might have been the reason he was knifed. He said he would be willing to work with the FBI but he was not sure how long he would be in the area.

JAMES MARION SMITH advised that ED HILL had been living with him in Piedmont approximately six weeks to two months and that he has been in the Piedmont area during this time. SMITH stated HILL worked for Marvel Quilting Company prior to the knifing incident which occurred about two weeks ago, and since then has been at his house in Piedmont.

LEAD:

AT PIEDMONT, ALABAMA:

Will maintain contact with management of Marvel Quilting Company, Piedmont, to verify dates of HILL's employment there.

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AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

TO: SAC, MEMPHIS  
FROM: SAC, ATLANTA (44-2386) (P)  
SUBJECT: MURKIN  
(OO:Memphis)

Re Birmingham tel to Bureau, 4/13/68.

Enclosed for Birmingham and Memphis are two copies each of two photographs of EDWARD HULAN HILL, FBI #594075E, the subject of a Racial Matters investigation conducted by Birmingham and Atlanta in 1965. HILL was described as a racial fanatic and stated he was a demolitions expert and available for Klan use. He further stated he purchased a rifle scope in April, 1965.

HILL is described as follows:

Race	White
Sex	Male
DOB	
POB	Polk County, Georgia
Height	5'10 1/2"
Weight	182
Hair	Brown
Eyes	Blue

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2 - Birmingham (Enc. 4)  
2 - Atlanta  
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AIR MAIL

TO: SAC, JACKSONVILLE  
FROM: SAC, BUFFALO (44-374) (P)  
MURKIN

On 4/22/68, EUGENE R. ROSEN, 90 Cleveland Avenue, Salamanca, New York, advised that about 10:30 A. M., that date, he was in Langworthy's Restaurant, on Killbuck, when a man entered the restaurant and sat a stool away from him. He was wearing a white shirt, no tie, blue sports coat, checked, light gray pants, and sunglasses. He was driving a 1964 or 1965 two-door, either white or light tan, Ford, with Florida License 4N 69100.

ROSEN had seen photographs of RAY on television the preceding night and felt that this individual bore a close resemblance.

The driver proceeded west on Route 17, towards Jamestown, New York.

Lookouts placed with State Police and Sheriff's Office failed to locate the car.

Jacksonville, at Tallahassee, Florida, will determine to when Florida Registration [REDACTED] is issued.

RAY SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

- 2 - Jacksonville (AM)
- ① - Birmingham (44-1740) (Info) (AM)
- 1 - Kansas City (Info) (AM)
- 2 - Memphis (44-1987) (AM)
- 1 - Buffalo

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(Priority)

TO DIRECTOR (44-38861), LOS ANGELES, AND ATLANTA  
FROM TAMPA (157-3231)

MURKIN; CR. OO:ME.

RE ATLANTA TEL INSTANT DATE.

JAMES WRAY MENTIONED IN RETEL UNDOUBTEDLY IDENTICAL TO JAMES  
WILLARD WRAY OF WHOM DIRECTOR, MINNEAPOLIS, PHOENIX, LOS ANGELES, AND  
MEMPHIS ADVISED BY TMPA TEL DATED APRIL NINETEEN SIXTYEIGHT. RETPTL  
REFLECTED INVESTIGATION TAMPA DIVISION AT PINELLAS PARK, FLA.  
DETERMINED JAMES WILLARD WRAY TO BE DRIVER FOR INSURED DRIVE -  
A - WAY SYSTEMS, PINELLAS PARK, FLA. AND NOT DEEMED TO BE  
IDENTICAL TO JAMES EARL RAY.

AIR MAIL COPIES TO MEMPHIS AND BIRMINGHAM.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

END

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AIR TEL (Type in plaintext or code)Via \_\_\_\_\_  
(Priority)

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI  
FROM : SAC, NEWARK (44-854)  
SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re: Newark teletype to the Bureau, 4/22/68

RE: ERIC STARVO GALT - LOCKSMITHING INSTITUTE RECORDS

On 4/22/68, the search of records at the Fidelity Union Trust Company, Newark, was completed. The following additional item was located.

Canadian Postal Money Order [REDACTED], purchased July 28, 1967, at Montreal, Canada, in the amount of \$17.50, and signed ERIC GALT.

This money order accounts for the two payments of \$10.00 and \$7.50 that Locksmithing Institute records indicate were received on July 31, 1967. All payments have now been accounted for.

A copy of the above money order is enclosed inasmuch as the Laboratory may be able to further identify which Post Office was utilized by subject.

Information copies to Albany, Memphis, Birmingham, Kansas City and Atlanta in the event further investigation is required.

3-Bureau (1-enclosure) (Regis. Mail)  
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2-Atlanta  
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