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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

Date: November 29, 1968

Re:

MURKIN

CR

00: Memphis

John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No. Lab. No.

44-38861

D-681126110 JK

Examination requested by:

Birmingham

Reference:

Letter 11/22/68

Examination requested:

Document - Fingerprint

Remarks:

You will be advised separately regarding the results of the fingerprint examination and disposition of Q411.

Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

- 1 Birmingham (44-1740) Enclosure (Lab report)
- 1 Mobile Enclosure (Lab report)
- 1 New Orleans Enclosure (Lab report)
- 1 St. Louis Enclosure (Lab report)

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JHM: aw.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

Date: November 29, 1968

FBI File No.

44-38861

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D-681126110 JK

Specimens received 11/26/68

Q411 Registration card bearing the name and address "John L. Rayms 1825 Lafayette St. St. Louis Mo."

Result of examination:

Employing K171, K211, and K257 as known standards, it was concluded that the questioned writings on the Q411 registration card were prepared by JAMES EARL RAY, FBI #405942G.

Q411 will be returned separately. Photographs were made.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

Date: November 29, 1968 FBI File No. 44, 78961

Re: MURKIN

FBI File No. 44-38861 Lab. No. 74-38861

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1 - Mr. Rosen
(Mr. Long 2260)
1 - Mr. Conrad
- Mr. Hortimer
- Foreign Liaison
1 - Lab File

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: FBI m Memphis (44-1987)

Date: July 17, 1968

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FBI File No.

Lab. No.

44-38861

D-680715037 JK

John Edgar Hoover, Director

Examination requested by:

Legat, London

Reference:

Airtel 7/8/68

Examination requested:

Document - Fingerprint

Remarks

2 - Legat, London (88-72) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

JHM:AW (11)

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REPORT of the



FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON. D. C. 20535

To: Fill, Memphis (44-1987)

Re: MIRKER: CR

Date: July 27, 1968
FBI File No. 44-33861
Lab. No. D-600715037 JE

Specimens received

7/15/65

Qc389 Two photographs comprising front and back of paper bag bearing on one side the hand printed words "PUT ALL" and on the other side hand printing beginning "PLACE ALL.." and ending "..IN THIS BAG"

ALSO SUBMITTED: Two photographs of latery prints found on hag and copy of tologram L. American Embassy, London, to Department of State

Result of examination:

Specimen Qc380 was searched through the appropriate sections of the Bank Robbery Note File but could not be identified with any prior submissions to this file.

The process of outlining and filling in the letters comprising the QCSSS note-12 more a form of art than hand printing, and therefore normal identifying characteristics of the writer would not be in evidence. For this reason, it could not be determined whether the QcSSS note was prepared by JAMES EARL NAY, FRI #4059420.

Qc389 and the ALSO SUBMITTED material have been retained.

LABORATORY

1 - Mr. Rosen
1 - Mr. Conrad
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1 - Mr. Mr. Mrtimer
1 - Foreign Liaison

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: PBI, Memphis (44-1987)

0 1 1 Date: November 20, 1968

Re:

MURKIN CR

00: Memphis

John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No.

44-38861 D-681115108 JK

Examination requested by:

Bursau

Reference:

None

Examination requested:

Document

Remarks:

Enclosed for the information of Memphis is a copy of RCMP report relative to Qc409. Legat, Ottawa, has advised, that as yet, clearance has not been received from the RCMP for dissemination outside the Bureau of the results of this examination or the information in the RCMP report.

Enclosures (3) (2 Lab report, copy of RCMP report)

1 - Legat, Ottawa Enclosure (Lab report)

JHM:aw (12)

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REPORT of the



1 - Mr. Rosen

1 - Mr. Conrad

1 - Mr. Griffith 1 - Mr. Mortimer

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

Date: November 20, 1968

FBI File No. 44-38861

Re: MÜRKIN CR Lab. No. D-681115108 JK

Specimens received

11-15-68

Qc409 Photocopy of registration card of Town'n Country Ltd.

Motel & Restaurant bearing the name and address
"Eric Galt, 507 Chestnut St., Chicago, Ill."

Result of examination:

It was concluded that the questioned writings appearing on Qc409 were prepared by JAMES HARL RAY, FBI #405942G.

Specimen Qc409 has been retained in the files of the Bureau.

JHM:aw (12)



1 - Mr. Rosen
1 - Mr. Conrad
1 - Mr. Griffith
1 - Mr. Mortimer
1 - Lab File

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

Date: November 26, 1968

Re: MURKIN

CR

00: Memphis

John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No.

44-38861

Lab. No.

D-681125011 JK

Examination requested by:

Los Angeles

Reference:

Airtel 11/21/68

Examination requested:

Document - Fingerprint

Remarks:

You will be advised separately regarding the results of the fingerprint examination and disposition of Q410.

Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

2 - Los Angeles (44-1574) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

Re:

MURKIN

CR

Date: November 26, 1968 FBI File No. 44-38861

Lab. No.

D-681125011 JK

Specimens received 11/25/68

Q410 Portion of a cardboard box bearing handwritten notations including the name and address "James Earl Ray 112 Tucker St. Leland, Mississippi"

Result of examination:

It was concluded that the questioned handwriting appearing on Q410 was not prepared by JAMES EARL RAY, FBI #405942G. The hand printing on Q410 is too limited for an adequate examination; however, differences were noted between this limited hand printing and the known hand printing of RAY.

Q410 will be returned separately. Photographs were made.

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- Mr. Rosen 1 - Mr. Conrad - Mr. Griffith - Mr. Mortimer Lab File

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION Washington, D. C. 20535

FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

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1 - Lab File

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To:

FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

Date:

September 4, 1968

Re:

MURKIN

CR

00: Memphis

FBI File No.

Lab. No.

44-38861

D-680826086 JK D-680826101 JK

John Edgar Hoover, Director

Examination requested by:

Chicago

Airtels, 8/23/68 and 8/24/68

Examination requested:

Document - Fingerprint

Remarks: .

Reference:

A separate report is being furnished regarding the results of the latent fingerprint examination and return of Q398 through Q408.

This report confirms and supplements Bureau teletype to Memphis dated 8/27/68.

Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

2 - Chicago (44-1114) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

FMD: AW (11)

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REPORT of the



FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

Date: FBI File No. 244-38861

MURKIN CR

Lab. No.

D-680826086 JK D-680826101 JK

Specimens received

8/26/68, from FBI, Chicago

Eight payroll checks of Indian Trail Restaurant, Inc., payable to JOHN RAYNS or JOHN L. RAYNS, further described as follows:

SPECIMEN	NUMBER	DATE	AMOUNT
Q398	4838	5/7/67	\$84.89
0399	4913	5/14/67	84.89
0400	4987	5/21/67	84.89
0401	5058	5/28/67	84.89
Q402	5130	6/4/67	89.63
0403	5209	6/11/67	89.63
Q404	5283	6/18/67	95.19
Q405	5357	6/25/67	77.53

Employee's Withholding Exemption Certificate dated May 10, 1967, bearing Social Security Number and signed "John L. Rayns"

Specimens received 8/26/68, from FBI, Chicago

- Sheet from rooming house ledger, page 13, bearing on line 24 the signature "John Larry Rayms"
- Q408 Registration card, No. 8075, dated 6/18/67, bearing the signature "John L. Rayns"

Result of examination:

It was concluded that JAMES EARL RAY, K171, K211 and K257 prepared the questioned Rayms signature on Q407; the questioned handwriting on Q408 and the questioned handwriting and hand printing on Q406. Although significant similarities were noted in the endorsements on Q398 through Q405, except the

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FMD: AW (11) endorsement on Q403, when compared with the known writings of RAY, the presence of unexplained variations, insufficient comparable material and distortion in some of the questioned endorsements precluded a definite determination as to whether RAY prepared the endorsements on Q398 through Q405.

The endorsement on 0403 is too distorted for comparison purposes. Although some similarities were noted in the date on line 24 on 0407 beside the Rayms signature when compared with the comparable writing of RAY; the limited and overwritten nature of this date precluded a definite determination as to whether RAY prepared this date.

0398 through 0408 have been photographed and will be returned to Chicago separately.

Page 2 D-680826101 JK





1 - Mr. Rosen - Mr. Conrad - Mr. Mortimer

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

July 23, 1968

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00: Memphis

John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No. 44-38861

Lab. No.

D-680719053 JK

Examination requested by: . Chicago.

Airtel 7/15/68

Examination requested:

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Remarks:

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Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

2 - Chicago (44-1114) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

1 - St. Louis (44-775) Enclosure (Lab report)

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

FBI, Memphis (44-1987) To:

Date: July 23, 1968
FBI File No. 44-38861
Lab. No. D-680719053 JK

Re: MURKIN

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Specimens received 7/17/68, from FBI, Chicago

Qc391 Photocopy of two-page handwritten letter on prison stationery beginning 'Dear John I will just write..." and signed "Lord R. G. Sneyd" Saura en leito en la Stank de la Statiente de la Stantin de la Stantin de la Stantin de la Stantin de la Stanti La companya de la co

Result of examination:

It was concluded that the questioned writing appearing on Qc391 was prepared by JAMES EARL RAY, FBI #405942G.

Specimen Qc391 has been retained.

JHM: AW (11)

Approved: _

LABORATORY

1 - Mr. Rosen (Mr. Long 2260)

1 - Mr. Conrad 1 - Mr. Mortimer 1 - Lab File

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

Date: July 16. 1968

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Re: MURKIN

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00: Memphis

John Edgar Hoover, Director

44-38861

D-680712073 JK

FBI File No.

Lab. No.

Examination requested by:

Cleveland

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Reference:

Airtel 7/10/68

Examination requested:

Document - Fingerprint

Remarks:

You will be advised separately regarding the results of the fingerprint examination and disposition of Q388.

Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

2 - Cleveland (44-565) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

JHM: AW (9)

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: JDI, Monphis (44-1987)

Date: 1117 10, 1263 FBI File No. 44-3861 Lab. No. 0-630712073 31

Re: MILITARY CIL

Specimens received 7/12/68

Q388 American Heritage business reply card bearing on reverse side the hand printed name and address 'Kric S. Galt Loraine Notel Memphis Tonn."

Result of examination:

Significant differences were noted as the result of Significant differences were noted as the result of comparing the questioned hand printing on Q385 with the known band printing of JAMES HARL HAY, FOI #405942G; however, because of the limited nature of the hand printing involved and the presence of certain characteristics a definite conclusion was not reached.

Q383 will be returned separately. Photographs were made.



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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: FBX. Momenta (44-1927)

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Re: MUKIN

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00: Monphis

Date:

John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No

44-3896I

Lab. No.

10-680705000 JK

Examination requested by:

Los Angeles

Reference:

Airtel 7/1/68

Examination requested:

Document - Fingerprint

Remarks:

You will be advised separately regarding the results of the fingerprint examination and disposition of 9395.

Enclosures (2) (2 lab report)

- 2 Los Angoles (44-1574) Encloseros (2) (2 Lab report)
- 1 Miningham (44-1740) Enclosure (Lab report)
- 1 Fashington Field Ciffice (46-703) Enclosure (Lab roport)

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REPORT of the



FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

FBI, Wemphis (44-1987)

Date: July 8, 1968

FBI File No. 44.38861

Lab. No. D-680705006 JK

Re: MURKIN

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Specimens received 7/5/68

Q385 Sheet of paper bearing typewritten letter dated 2/4/68, beginning "I RECENTLY RECEIVED..." and signed "Eric S. Galt"

Result of examination:

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The typewritten impressions on Q385 are the same style as those appearing on other items received in this matter attributed to 'Eric S. Galt."

Because of the lack of identifying features it could not be definitely determined that the same typewriter was employed to prepared Q385 and the other items but no significant differences were noted.

It was concluded that the "Eric S. Galt" signature on Q385 was prepared by the writer of other signatures in this name appearing on specimens previously received some of which have been investigatively identified as having been prepared by James Earl Ray. The transfer of the second

Q385 will be returned separately. Photographs are retained.

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• • • •	Date: 7/1/68
Transm	t the following in(Type in plaintext or code)
Via	TELETYPE AIR MAIL - REGISTERED (Priority)
	To: DIRECTOR, FBI (144-38861) (ATTENTION: FBI LABORATORY)
	FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)(P)
	SUBJECT: MURKIN
	Enclosed for the Laboratory is a typewritten letter dated 2/4/68 addressed to Mr. HEWITSON and signed by ERIC S. GALT. It is requested that this document be examined for hand writing and typing comparisons with other materials submitted in this matter. This document has been handled only by Mr. HEWITSON and SA LEON J. MEYER.
	On 7/1/68 RONALD G. HEWITSON, 9692 Imperial Street, Garden Grove, California, furnished the following information. He advised that he is Sales Manager of the Terene Corporation, 2815 South Halladay Street, Santa Ana, California, and Preside of the Orange County, California, Chapter, Friends of Rhodesia P. O. Box 613, Garden Grove, California.
	HEWITSON stated that he had recently read a news ite indicating that FBI Agents were investigating JAMES EARL RAY's alleged contacts with the American-South African Council, Washington, D. C. He stated that the Friends of Rhodesia work closely with the American-South African Council. He stated the looked through some of his correspondence and found a lette bearing the signature ERIC S. GALT. This letter is quoted as follows:
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"DEAR MR. HEWITSON.

"I RECENTLY RECEIVED A LETTER FROM YOUR OFFICE IN REPLY TO A LETTER I HAD SENT TO YOU REQUESTING INFORMATION ON RHODESIA, THE LETTER CLARIFED MOST OF MY QUESTIONS REGARDING IMMIGRATION. SUCH AS PASSPORT. IT WAS NOT MY INTENTION TO LEAVE BEFORE NOVEMBER BUT WANTED THE INFORMATION BEFORE HAND, ANY OTHER INFORMATION YOU SEND I WOULD APPREACITE. WOULD ALSO LIKE TO SUBSCRIBE TO RHODESIAN COMMENTARY.

"SINCERELY.

"ERIC S. GALT

"1535-N-SERRANO "L.A. CALIF. 90027.

/s/ "ERIC S. GALT"

HEWITSON stated that he would review his files to determine if any other communications from GALT are contained therein. He stated he was the only person to handle the enclosed letter, as he has no secretary. He stated that the note "ANS" appearing on the lower portion of this letter was made by him.

HEWITSON stated his organization has received much publicity in the Los Angeles area resulting from exposure on the JOE FYNE Show, a daily late nighttime television talk show. He stated the address of the Friends of Rhodesia appears on its literature, which is widely circulated.

7/2/68

W. D. Griffith

MURKIN

Reference is made to cablegram from Legat, London, dated 7/1/68 requesting that the known hand printing of subject James Earl Ray be compared with the note used in the attempted bank robbery of the National Provincial Bank, 74 Sloane St., London, SW 1, England, on 6/29/67.

As a result of a comparison of the above described note with the hand printing of James Earl Ray it was determined that the note in question was not prepared by subject Ray.

RECOMMENDATION: None. For information.

44-38861

1 - Mr. Rosen (Mr. Long, 2260)

1 - Mr. Conrad

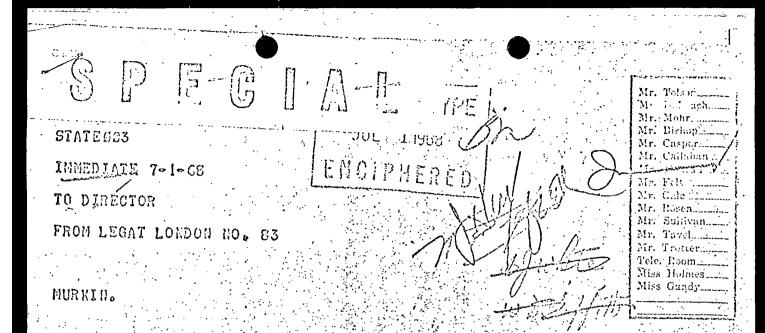
1 - Mr. Griffith

1) Mr. Mortimer

1 - Lab Files

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CAN IT AT THIS TIME BE PUT INTO REALM OF PUBLIC KNOWLEDGE. I WILL
INFORM VIDSON ON SAME BASIS AN JULY TWO NEXT.

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SUGGEST BUREAU COMPARE THIS NOTE WITH KNOWN SPECIMENS RAY'S WRITING IN EFFORT TO ELIMINATE HIM AS SUSPECT THIS MATTER.

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CHULANI MR. ROSEN





FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

1 - Mr. Rosen (Mr. Long 2260)

1 - Mr. Conrad

1 - Mr. Trotter (Mr. Latona)

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To: VBI, Meanhin (44-1987)

July 1, 1968

Re: MINALM

00: Memphis

John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No.

44-36861

Lab. No.

D-800625135 IN

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Examination requested by:

Airtol 6/24/68 "

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Firezras - Laundry Marks - Miscellaneous

Remarks:

This report confirms and purplements Eurona sirtel to Momphis duted 6/26/68 with copies to Legat, Ottawa and logat, London. 9377 through 9364 were returned to Legat, London with copies of this sirtel. 1486 was forwarded to legat, Ottawa with copies of this sirtel.

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2 - Legat, London (88-72) Enclosures (2) (3 Lab report)

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON. D. C. 20535

FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

Date: July 1, 1968 FBI File No. 44- 38861

Lab. No.

D-680625135 IH

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Specimens received 6/25/68

Q377 Scratch pad

Q378 - Q382 One clean and four soiled handkerchiefs

Q383 Wittnauer wrist watch

Q384 TWA message slip for YARUM CHANDRA DUTT

K486 Four test bullets and four cartridge cases from "Liberty Chief, .38 Special revolver" serial #715

Result of examination:

Q377 was examined for watermarks and indented writing with negative results. The hand printed word "CETERFICATE" appears on the cover of this pad. Although a number of hand printing similarities were noted in this word when compared with Ray's hand printing indicating it was possibly prepared by the subject, the limited nature of this hand printing precludes a definite identification of Ray as the author of this hand printing.

No visible or invisible laundry marks were found on specimens Q378 through Q382.

Specimen Q383 is a men's 17-jewel Wittnauer wrist watch encased in a Wittnauer watchcase. Both the watchcase and the movement are of Swiss origin. The wrist watch movement does not bear a serial number and there is no physical evidence that the movement has been repaired since there are no jewelers "scratch marks" inscribed on the inside of the case. The watchcase bears two sets of numbers, one above the other, as follows: 8001

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FMD: AW (16)

The Wittnauer factory should be able to advise as to the significance, if any, of these markings. The possibility of tracing the retail sale of specimen Q383 appears remote. No foreign material was located on or in the watch which could assist in tracing the wrist watch.

The wrist watch has a stainless steel expansiontype band bearing the markings "ADMIRAL U.S.A" There is an Admiral Watch Band Company, Incorporated, 9 Debrosses Street, New York City, which manufactures watch bands.

The test bullets and cartridge cases from the .38 Special caliber "Liberty Chief" revolver, serial number 715 were compared with all similar specimens in the National Unidentified Amounitions File without effecting an identification.

Two latent fingerprints of value were developed on Q384 but they were not identical with the fingerprints of JAMES EARL RAY, FBI 74059426. The questioned handwriting and hand printing on Q384 were not prepared by JAMES EARL RAY, K486 has been previously forwarded to Legat, Ottawa. Q377 through Q384 have been previously forwarded to Legat, London.

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Laboratory



1 - Mr. Rosen (Mr. Long 2260)

Mr. Conrad - Mr. Mortimer

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To:

FBI, Birmingham (44-1740)

Date:

June 26, 1968

Q376

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John Edgar Hoover, Director

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Examination requested by:

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2 - Monphis (44-1987) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

2 - New Orleans Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON. D. C. 20535

To: INI. Birmingham (44-1740)

Date:

Re: andrews when

FBI File No.

Minijn Cr D-080924097 JK

Specimens received

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Q376 Palmer Vritors School peoplet submitted under the name "Reic A. Vaugh" bearing hand printing

ALSO SUBMITIMD: Handwritton letter signed AUSKY DEE CHANDLER

Result of examination:

It was concluded that the handwriting on 0376 was not propared by JAMES EAHL RAY, EZIL.

Q276 has been photographed and is being returned to Birmingham with the ALSO SUBLITIES material.

June 21, 1968

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM: SAC, BIRMINGHAM (44-1740) (P)

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The Birmingham office is in receipt of a letter from AUBRY DEE CHANDLER, Scottsboro, Alabama, the original of which is being furnished the Bureau, and Xerox copies of same are being furnished New Orleans and Memphis.

CHANDIER was contacted on June 18, 1968, at Scottsboro, Alabama, and furnished a pamphlet concerning which he had written to the Birmingham office. The original of this pamphlet is an application with the Palmer Writers School, Minneapolis, Minnesota, which is being furnished the Bureau, and Xerox copies thereof are being furnished New Orleans and Memphis.

It is noted that the typewriten name ERIC A. WAUGH, which appears above the name CHARLES MARTIN, Inspectors of Petroleum, New Orleans, Louisiana, may have been typed by a different typewriter than MARTIN's address.

From a layman's comparison of the handprinting on the pamphlet under Parts A, C, and D,

3-Bureau (Enc.2)(AM-RM)
2-New Orleans (Enc.2)(AM-RM)
2-Memphis (AM-RM)(Enc.2)
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together with background information furnished by WAUGH, the possibility exists that same may have been written by subject RAY, based upon photographic specimens of his handprinting furnished the Birmingham office by the Bureau, by Routing Slip dated June 17, 1968. This, together with the fact it is known that RAY was visiting in New Orleans on March 22, 1968, which was the date indicated the Palmer Writers School pamphlet was executed, plus RAY's known propensity for correspondence courses, makes it desirable that investigation be conducted at New Orleans, as set forth below.

The FBI Laboratory is requested to make a handprinting comparison of the executed portions of the Palmer Writers School pamphlet filled in by ERIC A. WAUGH, with known handprinting specimens of subject RAY and that Birmingham, New Orleans, and Memphis be advised of the results.

LEADS:

NEW ORLEANS DIVISION

AT NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA:

- 1. Will conduct investigation at Apartment No.3, (upstairs) 2928 Tulane Avenue, and determine occupant on the date of March 22, 1968. Determine whether subject RAY may possibly have rented the apartment temporarily or may have been visiting the normal occupants thereof.
- 2. Will interview CHARLES MARTIN, Inspectors of Patroleum, P.O. Box 19465, New Orleans, Louisiana, 70119, regarding the pamphlet of the Palmer Writers School, and

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determine whether he was acquainted with the ERIC A. WAUGH, whose name appears above that of MARTIN, as desiring to be enrolled in the Palmer Writers School. Will determine from MARTIN whether he is acquainted with anyone by the name of ERIC A. WAUGH or whether he might recognize photographs of subject RAY. (New Odeans refer to its previous report regarding RAY's presence in New Orleans on the date in question).

Laboratory Transman Form 7-72



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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

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John Edgar Hoover, Director

. FBI File No.

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D-680619073 JE

Examination requested by:

San Diego

Reference:

Airtol 6/17/68

Examination requested:

Document - Fingerprint

Remarks:

A separate report is being furnished on the latent fingerprint examination and return of Q375 and E485.

Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

- 2 Memphis (44-1987) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)
- 2 Los Angeles (56-156) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

FBI. San Diego (44-387) To:

Date: **June 21, 1968**

FBI File No. 44-38861

Lab. No.

D-680619073 JK

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Specimens received 6/19/68

Q375 Sheet of paper bearing a hand printed note which begins "If the F.B.I. wonts Ray.s buddy go to...." and ending "...in Big Stone Gap Virginia by the F. B. I."

(44-394)

K485 Sheet of paper bearing the known hand printing of GEORGE ROBERT LETSINGER

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Result of examination:

It was concluded that the hand printing on Q375 was prepared by GEORGE ROBERT LETSINGER, K485.

The submitted material was searched in the Anonymous Letter File without effecting an identification. Copies have been added to this file for future reference.

Q375 and K485 have been photographed and are being returned to San Diego separately.

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DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861) ATTENTION: FBI LABORATORY

FROM:

SAC, SAN DIEGO (44-387)

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00: Los Angeles

Re San Diego teletype dated 6/14/68.

Enclosed for the Bureau is a handprinted note written in green ink and a known handprinting sample of GEORGE ROBERT LETSINGER, FBI No. 584 742 F..

For the information of the Laboratory, enclosednote was received in the mail at the U.S. Post Office, San Diego, California, 6/11/68.

GEORGE ROBERT LETSINGER was subsequently arrested by the San Diego Police Department 6/12/68 on an outstanding warrant issued at Seattle, Washington, for grand larceny.

On 6/13/68 GEORGE ROBERT LETSINGER was interviewed, at which time handprinting was taken from him since circumstances seemed to indicate he had written the note himself, although he denied having written this note.

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The Laboratory is requested to conduct handwriting examination on enclosures and advise the San Diego Office of the results.

The Eureau is requested to return enclosed items to the SanDiego Division.

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Date: June 18, 1968

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John Edgar Hoover, Director

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D-686017094 JK

Examination requested by:

New York

Airtol 6/13/66

Examination requested:

Document - Pingerprint

Remarks: e jaring. Japan

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2 - New York (44-1609) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

FDI. Memphis (44-1987)

Date: **June 18, 1968** FBI File No. **44-38861**

Re:

Lab. No.

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Specimens received 6/14/68

Q373 Envelope postmarked "New York, N.Y. AG - PM 11Jun 1968," bearing the handwritten address 'Tederal Bureau of Investigation 201 E. 69 St. N.Y.C., N.Y."

Q374 Accompanying one-page handwritten letter beginning "Federal Eureau of Investigation June 10.68 Gentlemen: I believe it to be of interest to you..." and ending "... am dooply concerned and hope no one is hurt."

Result of examination:

Specimens Q373 and Q374 were searched through the appropriate sections of the Anonymous Letter File and avainst items which have been submitted in the "MURKIN" case but no identification could be made.

... No watermarks, indented impressions or other identifying characteristics were noted on Q373 and Q374 which might indicate their immediate source.

Physical characteristics of the two items submitted have been noted for possible future reference.

The two liens submitted will be returned separately. Photographs were made. The Homer of the Charles and Society Control of the second



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- Liaison Unit
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Federal Bureau of Investigation washington, D. C. 20535

To: FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

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Re: MURKIN

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Examination requested by:

Date: June 18, 1968

John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No.

44-38861 D-680614107 JK

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Remarks:

Because of the nature of the documents submitted, these were not treated for latent fingerprints. Should such an examination be desired, these items should be forwarded to the Eureau, attention Latent Fingerprint Section.

Enclosed for the information of Memphis is a copy of incoming communication from Legat, London.

Enclosures (3) (2 Lab report, copy of incoming communication)

2 - Legat, London (88-72) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

1 - Legat, Paris Enclosures (5) (Q369-Q372, Lab report)

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

Date: June 18, 1968
FBI File No. 44-38861

Re: MURKIN

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FBI File No. 44-38861 Lab. No. D-680614107 JK

Specimens received 6/14/68

- Q369 Form A-O-Application for Canadian Passport, in the name RAMON GEORGE SNEYD, stamped "Cancelled," Affidavit signed "Ramon George Sneyd" and attached carbon copy of a letter to the Canadian Passport Division dated 5/17/68
- Q370 Card entitled "Policia Internacional E De Defesa Do Estado Entrada De Estrangeiros," signed RAMON GEORGE SNEYD
- Q371 International Embarkation/Disembarkation Card, in the name RAMON GEORGE SNEYA
- Q372 International Embarkation/Disembarkation Card, in the name RAMON GEORGE SNEYD

Result of examination:

Excluding the hand printing on Q370 and considering the signature on this item together with the other specimens described above, it was concluded that the questioned handwriting, hand printing and "Sneyd" signatures on Q369 through Q372 were prepared by JAMES EARL RAY, FBI #405942G.

Specimens Q369 through Q372 are forwarded with a copy of this report to Legat, Paris. Photographs were made.



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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

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John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No.

Lab. No.

44-36261 1-600610033 JE

Examination requested by:

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Reference:

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Examination requested:

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Remarks:

You will be advised soperately regarding the results of the fingerprint comparisons.

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To: FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

Date: June 11, ,1968

FBI File No. 44-38861

Lab. No.

D-680610039 JK

Re: MURKIN

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Request.

Specimens received

6/7/68

Request comparison of the WILLIAM A. MARSHALL signatures on Q343 and Q344 with the known handwriting of HOWARD MASON BIRRELL, JR., FBI #1971469

Result of examination:

Because of the lack of comparable letters and letter combinations for a satisfacotry examination, it could not be determined whether the "William A. Marshall" signatures on Q343 and Q344 were prepared by HOWARD MASON BIRRELL, JR., FBI #1971469.

If available, additional known handwriting of BIRRELL may permit a more definite opinion.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

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TO DIRECTOR, MEMPHIS AND LOS ANGELES

FROM SAN DIEGO 44-387 2P

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RE WILLIAM A. MARSHALL (CONSIDER ARMED AND DANGEROUS)

RE SAN DIEGO TELETYPE TO BUREAU, MEMPHIS AND

LOS ANGELES MAY THIRTY ONE LAST.

MRS. CLARENCE BIRRELL, CHULA VISTA, CALIFORNIA,
ADVISED FROM READING EXPLOITS OF WILLIAM A. MARSHALL IN NEWSPAPERS AT CHULA VISTA, SHE FEELS MARSHALL IDENTICAL WITH HER
BROTHER IN LAW HOWARD MASON BIRRELL, JR., FBI NUMBER NINE
SEVEN ONE FOUR SIX NINE, LOS ANGELES FILES TWENTY SIX FOUR TWO ZERO TWO NINE AND EIGHTY SEVEN - ONE THREE THREE
FOUR NINE, BUFILE SEVENTY SIX - TWO FOUR ZERO ZERO FIVE.

MRS. BIRRELL ALSO ADVISED HER BROTHER IN LAW

RECENTLY ASSOCIATED WITH RICHARD TUFTS, A YOUNG SAILOR STATIONED SANDIEGO, CALIFORNIA, WHO TELEPHONICALLY ADVISED MRS. BIRRELL THE HE KNEW HER BROTHER IN LAW AS WILLIAM DE LUCA AS HE HAD CREDIT CARDS UNDER THIS NAME. TUFTS RECENTLY RECEIVED A POST PAGE ONE

2025 RELEASE UNDER E.O. 14176

PAGE TWO

CARD FROM HER BROTHER IN LAW SIGNED BUD BIRRELL INDICATING
HE WAS STAYING AT THE AMBASSADOR HOTEL, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA,
AND REQUESTED TUFTS TO PURCHASE HIM A CHEAP AUTOMOBILE.

BUREAU REQUESTED TO COMPARE LATENT PRINTS DEVELOPED
ON WILLIAM A. MARSHALL FROM EVIDENCE SUBMITTED BY SAN DIEGO
AND LOS ANGELES AND COMPARE WITH FINGERPRINTS OF HOWARD MASON
BIRRELL, JR., FBI NUMBER NINE SEVEN ONE FOUR SIX NINE AND ALSO
COMPARE KNOWN HANDWRITING OF BIRRELL WITH HANDWRITING OF
WILLIAM A. MARSHALL TO DETERMINE IF IDENTICAL.

LOS ANGELES ATTEMPT TO DETERMINE IF WILLIAM A. MARSHALL STAYING AMBASSADOR HOTEL UNDER NAME MARSHALL DE LUCA OR BIRRELL.

FOR INFORMATION BIRRELL RECENTLY RELEASED AND IS ON FEDERAL PAROLE, U.S. PROBATION AND PAROLE OFFICE, SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA.

SAN DIEGO WILL CONTACT RICHARD TUFTS FOR ADDITONAL INFORMATION REGARDING BIRRELL.

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John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No.

Lab. No.

44-30661 D-660610041 JK

Examination requested by:

Newark

Reference:

Airtel 6/7/68

Examination requested:

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Remarks:

You will be advised reparately regarding the results of the fingerprint exemination and the disposition of Q368.

Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

3 - Newark (44-854) Suclestown (8) (2 Lab report)

1 - San Francisco (173-65) Inclosure (Lab report)

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

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Date: FBI File No.

D-60030041 JE

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Specimens received

Q368 Application for subscription to the "Select Wagezine," in the case "James E. Day"

Result of examination:

It was concluded that the questioned hand printing on (ESS was not properly by JAMES EARL DAY, FOI 540004EG.

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	Enclosed for the FBI Laboratory is a subscrip form for "Solect Magazine" for JAMES E. RAY. For the information of the Eureau and San Fra on C/6/68,	rol .
	furnished CA JOHN E. OTTO a subscription form for "Sele Eagazine" provided by Select Associates. The form is obtainable by request to Select Associates which has advortisements for its magazine in "girlic-type" magazi tabloids and "Directory of Clubs for Personal Contacts" Conf. Source	nes,
	The form furnished by reflects it was a by a JAMES E. RAY, 34 Gladys Street, San Francisco, Cal 94110. RAY sets forth he is a 30 year old male, on the	ii.,
	The form submitted by RAY is for the purpose placing an ad in "Select Magazine". It is noted this magazine is ordinarily described as being an obscene par club type of publication.	
	RAY set forth he wanted the heading for his a to be "Sepie modern husband". RAY said he wanted the a	
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