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Laboratory Transmittal Form 7-72

LABORATORY A

1 - Mr. Mortimer
1 - Lab File
1 - Mr. Conrad
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

April 11, 1968

Re: MURKIN CR

00: Memphis

FBI File No. 44-38861 Lab. No. D-560449 JK

Examination requested by:

Buffalo

Reference:

Airtel 4/8/68

Examination requested:

Document

Remarks:

Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

1 - Atlanta Enclosure (Lab report)

1 - Birmingham (44-493) Enclosure (Lab report)

1 - Jacksonville Enclosure (Lab report)

1 - Buffalo (44-374) Enclosure (Labreport)

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

April 11, 1968 Date: FBI File No. 44-38861 D-560449 JK

Lab. No.

MURKIN CR

Specimens received 4/10/68

Kc7 Photocopy of Liberty National Bank Dealer Plan-Purchaser Statement bearing purported known hand printing and signature of DR. ALVIN EUGENE FRENCH

Result of examination:

Because Kc7 is almost entirely hand printed and not adequate for comparison with the questioned writings, it could not be determined whether the material in this matter was prepared by DR. ALVIN EUGENE FRENCH, Kc7. However, the style of writing of FRENCH differs from the other writings which have been submitted in this matter.

Kc7 has been retained.

JHM: AW (10)



FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

Date: April 12, 1968 FBI File No. 44-38861

Re: MURKIN Lab. No. D-560380 JK

CR

D-560340 JK

PC-A5564 JV

PC-A5571 JV

Specimens received 4/9/68, from FBI, Atlanta

Five sample laundry tapes bearing Code #02B-6, from machine used by Blum's Individual Laundry and Dry Cleaning Co., Macon, Ga.

Specimens received 4/9/68, from FBI, Boston

- Four pieces of paper each containing laundry marks on red tape obtained from four separate thermo-seal machines manufactured by Textile Marking Machine Co., Inc. and used by Superior Laundry Co., Inc.
- КЗ Partial roll of unused red tape obtained from Superior Laundry Co., Inc. 625 Concord Ave., Cambridge, Massachusetts

Result of examination:

The printing on the K1 and K2 tags was found to differ from that appearing on the laundry tags affixed to the Q69 shorts and the Q70 T-shirt.

The fabric tape in K1, K2 and K3 is similar in color, construction and composition to the fabric tape used on the two laundry tags attached to Q69 and Q70. The submitted items have been retained.

> (8) JHM: AW

DIRECTOR, FBI
Attention: FBI Laboratory

4-8-68

SAC, ATLANTA (44-2386) (P)

MURKIN

Re Atlanta teletype to Bureau, Memphis and Albany, dated 4/8/68.

Transmitted herewith are five sample laundry tapes bearing Code # 02B-6.

Enclosed sample tapes were obtained from from Thermoseal tape machine, Serial Eumbor 31973, Model H5L1, owned and operated by Blum's Individual Laundry and Dry Cleaning Co., 463 Cotton

Investigation at Blum's revealed this establishment 1- through 99 for lot numbers running -1 through 20. Red tape is used by Blum's for special work. They do not ordinarily place a tape on small items such as shorts unless the work only consists of two or three items. Blum's machine has only five characters. The tape is cut one and one eighth inch long and there is no indication that the machine has malfunctioned in the past causing tape to be cut one and one sixteenth inch long.

FBI Laboratory is requested to compare enclosed sample tapes with tape from suspect's shorts previously submitted by the Memphis Office.

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1 Albany (Info)
2 Atlanta (44-2386)
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

LAB FILE

Laboratory Work Sheet

Re: MURKIN

CR

00: Memphis

File # 44-38861

Lab. # D-560380 JK

D-560340 JK

PC-ASSEUTV

PC - ASS71 JV

Examination requested by:

SAC, Boston (157-644)

Airtel 4/8/68

Examination requested: Document, Chem (Miscellaneous)

Date received: 4/9/68

Result of Examination: MISCELLAN EOUS

Examination by: Mortimer

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Specimens submitted for examination

- K2 Four pieces of paper each containing laundry marks on red tape obtained from four separate thermo-seal machines manufactured by Textile Marking Machine Co., Inc. Eused by Superior Laundry Co., Inc.
- Partial roll of unused red tape obtained from Superior Laundry Co., Inc., 625 Concord Ave., Cambridge, Massachusetts

Report to ME (44-1981)

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

LAB FILE

Laboratory Work Sheet

Re: MURKIN

File # 44-38861

Lab. # D-560340 JK

Examination requested by: SAC, Atlanta (44-2386) Letter 4/8/68

Examination requested: Document, Chem(Miscellaneous) Date received: 4/9/68

Result of Examination: Examination by: Mortimer

See D - 560380 JK

Specimens submitted for examination

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	FBI Date: 4/8/68	1
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	TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (Attention: FBI Laboratory)	فلتتنا
	FROM: SAC, BOSTON (157-644)	
	SUBJECT: MURKIN CR (00: Memphis) Re Boston teletype to Bureau 4/8/68.	
	Enclosed for the Laboratory are four pieces of paper each containing laundry marks on red tape which were obtained from four separate thermo-seal machines manufactured by Textile Marking Machine Co., Inc., Syracuse, N. Y., and a partial roll of unused red tape, furnished by PAUL CAMPBELL, President and General Manager, Superior Laundry Co., Inc., 625 Concord Ave., Cambridge, Mass.	
	For the information of the Laboratory, CAMPBELL advised that his machines print six digit numbers. He advised that his company prior to 9/67 or 10/67 used a code whereby all six digits were used as follows:	
	First three digits would be numbers; then two dashes; followed by a letter.	
	His company presently uses a code of six digits as follows:	
	Bureau (Enc. 5)(RM) 1 - Memphis 2 - Boston WJW:maf (6) C. Signon	
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TO

DIRECTOR, FBI Attention: FBI Laboratory

SAC, ATLANTA (44-2386)

MURKIN

Re Atlanta teletype to Bureau, Memphis and Albany, dated 4/8/68. 560340

Transmitted herewith are five sample laundry tapes bearing Code # 02B-6.

Enclosed sample tapes were obtained from from Thermoseal tape machine, Serial Number 31973, Model H5L1, owned and operated by Blum's Individual Laundry and Dry Cleaning Co., 463 Cotton Avenue, Macon, Georgia.

Investigation at Blum's revealed this establishment does not use a code similar to Code #02B-6. Their code consist of 1- through 99 for lot number, a letter for week and last two digits for bundle numbers running -1 through 20. Red tape is used by Blum's for special work. They do not ordinarily place a tape on small items such as shorts unless the work only consists of two or three items. Blum's machine has only five characters. The tape is cut one and one eighth inch long and there is no indication that the machine has malfunctioned in the past causing tape to be cut one and one sixteenth inch long.

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3 Bureau (AMSD) Encl. 1 Memphis (Info) 1 Albany (Info) 2 Atlanta (44-2386)

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2025 RELEASE UNDER E.O. 14176

DATE:

4-8-68

'- Mr. Mortimer



FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

ate: April 16, 1968

X8-7K10

Re: MURKIN

CR

00: Memphis

John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No. 44-38861

Lab. No. D-560459 JK

Examination requested by: Los Angeles, Las Vegas, D-560463 JK

D-560464 JK

Philadelphia

PC-A5608 IZ

Airtels, 4/9/68 and 4/10/68,

PC-A5609 IZ

Letter 4/10/68

PC-A5610 IZ

Examination requested:

Remarks:

Document - Microscopic (Hair & Fibers) Miscellaneous

This report confirms and supplements Bureau teletype to Los Angeles in this matter dated 4/11/68.

PAGE(S) INFORMATION IN
INVESTIGATIVE REPORT

Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

2 - Las Vegas (157-133) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

2 - Philadelphia (44-1368) 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) To:

Date: April 16, 1968 FBI File No. 44-38861

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Lab. No. D-560459 JK

D-560463 JK

D-560464 JK

PC-A5608 IZ

PC-A5609 IZ

PC-A5610 IZ

4/10/68, from FBI, Las Vegas Specimens received

Three tape strips of marking tape utilized by the Monarch Laundry, 1430 South Main, Las Vegas, Nevada, two of which bear the code O2B-6, and one bearing the code MOX72.

Specimen received 4/11/68, from FBI, Philadelphia

Piece of white cloth containing six samples of thermo-seal marking tape obtained from Thermo-Seal Identification Machine, Model H5L1, Serial Number 32052, operated by Barclay Laundry, 1478 Broadway, Camden, N.J.

Specimen received 4/11/68, from FBI, Los Angeles

Piece of paper and a cloth square each containing twelve samples of laundry marking printed by a thermo-seal marking machine manufactured by the Textile Marking Company, Syracuse, New York, and obtained from Home Service Laundry and Dry Cleaning, 5280 Hollywood Boulevard, Los Angeles, California

Result of examination:

The three pink tape strips in K8 and K9 are similar to the Q69 and Q70 laundry tapes in color, construction and composition.

The twelve laundry tapes (K10) are similar to the Q69 and Q70 laundry tapes in color, construction and composition.

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Five of these tapes have the same length (1 1/16 inches) as Q69 and Q70. The other nine are longer, either 1 3/32 inches or 1 1/8 inches in length.

The K8 and K9 tapes were found to differ in printing from the tapes appearing on Q69 and Q70.

The tapes comprising K10 are of varying lengths; however, no significant differences were noted between the Q69 and Q70 laundry tapes when compared with some of the K10 tapes indicating they may have originated from the same machine.

Specimens K8, K9 and K10 are retained.

Page 2 D-560459 JK D-560463 JK D-560464 JK PC-A5608 IZ PC-A5609 IZ PC-A5610 IZ

1-Mr. Rosen (Mr. Long 2260) Mr. Conrad Mr. Mortimer I-Lab File

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

Date: April 23, 1968

MURKIN

00: Memphis

FBI File No. 44-38861

Lab. No.

D-560626 JK

D-560627 JE

D-560658 JK D-560659 JK

Reference:

Airtels, 4/11/68, 4/11/68, 4/10/68, 4/10/68

Examination requested:

San Francisco

Examination requested by: Atlanta, New Orleans,

Remarks:

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Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

2 - San Francisco (173-65) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

2 - New Orleans (157-10673) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

2 - Atlanta (44-2386) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

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To: FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

Date: April 23, 1968

Re: MURKIN

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CR

Lab. No. D-560626 JK

D-560627 JK

D-560658 JK D-560659 JK

Specimens received 4/12/68, from FBI, Atlanta

- K21 Two pieces of paper each of which bears three specimens from a Thermo Seal Marking machine from the Sno-White Laundry, Albany, Georgia
- K22 Piece of paper bearing two specimens from a Thermo Seal Marking machine from Choke's Cleaning and Laundry Village, Athens, Georgia

Specimen received 4/12/68, from FBI, New Orleans

K23 Two pieces of material each of which bears eight specimens from a Thermo Seal Marking machine from Kohlers Snow White Laundry and Cleaners, New Orleans, Louisiana

Specimen received 4/12/68, from FBI, San Francisco

K24 Twelve samples of laundry tape taken from the Navy Exchange Laundry, Treasure Island, California

Result of examination:

It was concluded that the laundry tapes represented by K21 through K24 were not prepared on the machine used to print the laundry tapes appearing on the Q69 and Q70 articles of clothing which were previously submitted.

K21 through K24 have been retained.

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1 - Mr. Rosen (Mr. Long 2260)

1 - Mr. Conrad

1 - Mr. Mortimer I - Lab File

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

April 24, 1968

Re: MURKIN

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FBI File No. 44-38861

Lab. No.

D-560718 JK D-560660 JK

Examination requested by: San Diego, Boston

Reference:

Airtels, 4/10/68 and 4/12/68

Examination requested:

Document

Remarks:

Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

2 - Boston (157-644) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

2 - San Diego (44-387) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

Date: April 24, 1968

FBI File No. 44-38861

Lab. No. **D-560718 JK**

Re: MURKIN CR

D-560660 JK

Specimens received 4/12/68, from FBI, San Diego

K25 Piece of cloth bearing six specimens taken from a Thermo Seal marking machine from the Holly Laundry and Cleaners, Chula Vista, California

Specimen received 4/15/68, from FBI, Boston

Three samples of thermo-seal laundry tapes obtained from Commodore Cleaners, 157 Front St., Woonsocket, Rhode Island

Result of examination:

It was concluded that the Q69 and Q70 laundry tapes were not prepared by the machine used to prepare K25 or the one used to prepare K32.

Specimens K25 and K32 are retained.

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4/10/68

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AIRMAIL - REGISTERED

TO:

DIRECTOR, FEI (44-38861)

FROM:

SAC, SAN DIEGO (44-387) (P)

MURKIN

Re telephone call from SAC, Albany, to ASAC, San Diego, 4/10/68.

For the information of the Bureau, referenced telephone call from SAC HANCOCK, Albany, indicated that information from the Textile Marking Machine Company, Syracuse, New York, revealed that only two machines, one located in the Los Angeles area, and the other, bearing Serial No. 30769, owned by the Holly Laundry and Cleaners, 48 Broadway, Chula Vista, California, were likely to have produced a laundry mark similar to that found in the abandoned clothing of unknown subject in instant case.

The Albany Office requested that the Holly Laundry and Cleaners be immediately contacted and the owner interviewed concerning their use of the thermo seal laundry mark, and, further, to obtain a sample of this mark.

Mr. R. J. HALFERTY, Manager, Holly Laundry and Cleaners, 48 Broadway, Chula Vista, California, made available thermo seal machine, Model No. Hill, bearing Serial No. 30769, and samples of this machine were made by ALMA FORD, operator, who normally operates this machine.

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2 - Albany 2 - San Diego

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SD 44-387

Upon viewing the colored photograph of the clothing abandoned by unknown subject, Mr. HALFERTY advised the code "O2B-6" was not similar to the code used at the Holly Laundry and Cleaners.

Mr. HALFERTY also advised, as did Mrs. ALMA FORD, that the color red appearing on the laundry mark in this colored photograph was in no way similar to the tape used at the Holly Laundry and Cleaners. According to them, they have never used this color of red, and the nearest shade is a light pink, upon which were made the sample laundry marks.

Enclosed for the Bureau is a white handkerchief containing samples of Model No. H5Jl, Serial No. 30769, in the identical code "02B-6" as are pictured in the colored photographs received from the Bureau. Also contained on this handkerchief are sample laundry marks similar to those used by the Holly Laundry and Cleaners.

The enclosure is being forwarded to the Bureau for comparison with the laundry marks on abandoned clothing. It is not necessary that the Bureau return the enclosure to the San Diego Division and may dispose of it as it so desires.



1-Mr. Rosen (Mr. Long 2260) 1-Mr. Conrad 1-Mr. Mortimer I-Lab File

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

Date: April 19, 1968

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Re:

MURKIN

00: Memphis

FBI File No. 44-38861

Lab. No.

Buffalo, Jacksonville

D-560625 JK D-560574 JK

Reference:

Airtels, 4/9/68 and 4/10/68

Document - Fingerprint

Remarks:

The results of the fingerprint examination will be handled separately.

Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

2 - Buffalo (44-374) Enclosures (2) (2 Labreport)

2 - Jacksonville (44-769) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

Date: April 19, 1968

FBI File No. 44-38861

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Lab. No.

D-560625 JK D-560574 JK

Re: MURKIN CR

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Specimens received 4/11/68, from FBI, Buffalo

K19 Sheet of ruled paper bearing known handwriting of Dr. ALVIN EUGENE FRENCH obtained from Gowanda State Hospital, Helmuth, New York

Specimen received 4/12/68, from FBI, Jacksonville

K31 Post card addressed to "A. Powell and Staff" and registration card of Holiday Inn of Williston, Florida, bearing purported known handwriting and hand printing of Dr. ALVIN E. FRENCH

Result of examination:

It was concluded that the handwriting and hand printing on items received in this case which have been attributed to Eric S. Galt, were not prepared by Dr. ALVIN E. FRENCH, K19 and K31. Differences were noted between the "Harvey Lowmyer" signature on Q72 and the known handwriting of FRENCH, but because of the limited nature of the questioned signature and the lack of comparable known material a definite opinion could not be reached.

Specimens K19 and K31 have been retained. Photographs were made.

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(Mr. Long 2260) 1-Mr. Conrad l-Mr. Mortimer 1-Lab File



FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

Date: April 24, 1968

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Re: MURKIN

OO: Memphis

John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No. 44-38861

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D-560792 JK

D-560790 JK D-560788 JK

Reference:

Airtels, 4/12/68

Examination requested:

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Richmond

Examination requested by: Jackson, Savannah,

Remarks:

Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

1 - Jackson (157-9586) Enclosure (Lab report)

1 - Richmond (44-657) Enclosure (Lab report)

1 - Savannah (44-1768) Enclosure (Lab report)

1 - Albany (44-493) Enclosure (Lab report)

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REPORT of the



FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

PBI, Memphis (44-1987)

FBI File April 24, 1968

MURKIN

44-38861 Lab. No.

CR

D-560792 JK

D-560790 JK D-560788 JK

Specimens received

4/15/68, from FBI, Sevennah

Piece of paper bearing five specimens of laundry tape taken from a machine used by the Taylor-Hulse Dry Cleaning and Laundry, Augusta, Georgia

Specimen received 4/15/68, from FBI, Richmond

Two pieces of paper bearing six specimens of laundry tape obtained from a Thorno Seal marking machine used by the Bonnie Bright Laundry, Arlington, Virginia

Specimen received 4/15/68, from FBI, Jackson

- K38 Seventeen specimens of laundry tape taken from a Thorno Seal marking machine located at the Ellisville State School, Ellisville, Mississippi
- Eleven pieces of laundry tape five of which bear samples taken from a Poly Mark machine of the Crescent Laundry, Hattiesburg, Mississippi
- Two pieces of cloth bearing specimens obtained from a Thermo Seal marking machine located at Long's Laundry and **K40** Cleaners, Tupelo, Mississippi
- Two pieces of cloth bearing specimens obtained from a Poly Mark machine located at the University of Mississippi,
- K42 Thirty-eight specimens of laundry tape taken from a Thermo Seal marking machine located at the Keesler Air Force Base Laundry, Biloxi, Mississippi.
- E43 Eighteen specimens of laundry tape taken from a Poly Hark machine located at Rex's Southern Cleaners, Hattiesburg, Mississippi

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Result of examination:

It was concluded that the laundry tags appearing on the Q69 and Q70 articles of clothing were not prepared by any of the machines used to prepare the specimens represented by K36 through K43.

K36 through K43 have been retained.

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FBI

Date: APRIL 12, 1968

AIRTEL AIRMAIL	
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861) ATTENTION: FBI LABORATORY	
FROM: SAC, JACKSON (157-9586) (P)	
MURKIN (00: MEMPHIS)	
Re Jackson airtel $4/10/68$ and Albany airtel $4/10/68$.	
RE THERMO-SEAL MACHINES MANUFACTURED BY TEXTILE MARKING MACHINE CO., SYRACUSE, NEW YORK	
Enclosed for the Bureau are six (6) enclosures setting forth samples of tape markings obtained from laundries within the State of Mississippi. They are as follows:	
1. RAYMOND L. WILSON, Supervisor of Maintenance Ellisville State School, Ellisville, Mississippi, made available tape strips from Thermo-Seal temporary identication machine model number H5K2, serial number 31214 and 31215. He said these machines were formerly used by	f
4 - Bureau (Enc 6) (AMRM) 1 - Albany (44-493) (Info) 1 - Atlanta (Info) 1 - Birmingham (Info)	
1 - Los Angeles (Info) 2 - Memphis 2 - Jackson JOI:yv	
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Mississippi State University, State College, Miss. He stated they have never used "02B-6". There is no one employed at the school named JOHN WILLARD, HARVEY LOWMEYER or HARVEY LOWMYER, or ERIC STARVO GALT. No employees were missing from work on 3/29-30/68 or 4/3-4/68.

- 2. Several strips of laundry markings from a Poly Mark machine, Crescent Laundry, Hattiesburg, Miss., dated 4/10/68.
- 3. Samples of lettering and tape strips placed on cloth from Long's Laundry and Cleaners, Tupelo, Miss., Thermo-Seal marking machine serial numbers 31746 and 31728.
- 4. Strips on two separate cloths taken from two Poly Mark Machines at the University of Mississippi, serial number MC1247 and MC14182.
- 5. Five Thermo-Seal tapes which have been marked by manager "02B-6" from Thermo-Seal machine serial number 33742 located at Keesler Air Force Base Laundry, Biloxi, Miss. Tapes were obtained on 4/11/68.
- 6. Several tapes with lettering on cloth from Rex's Southern Cleaners, Hattiesburg, Miss., obtained from a Poly Mark machine.

The managers of the above establishments advised they do not use the lettering on the tapes as "02B-6" or "D2B-6". They are not familiar with these markings.

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AT BUREAU

The FBI Laboratory is requested to compare lettering and strips of tape enclosed with the two articles recovered at the scene of the shooting 4/4/68, a white Jockey T-shirt and checkered print undershorts, containing cloth laundry tags allegedly made by a Thermo-Seal marking machine manufactured by Textile Marking Machine Company, Syracuse, New York. Results should be immediately furnished Memphis and interested offices. The enclosures need not be returned to Jackson amd may be destroyed at the Bureau if of no value.

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TO:

DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861) Attention: FBI Laboratory

FROM:

SAC, RICHMOND (44-657) -P-

MIRKIN CR

Re Albany teletype dated 4/8/68 and Richmond airtel to Bureau dated 4/8/68.

Enclosed for the FBI Laboratory are two 3" by 5" cards containing six Thermo Seal pieces of marking tape.

On 4/11/68, Mr. JOSEPH A. YOUNG, Manager, Bonnie Bright Laundry (formerly known as Farlington Laundry), 3800 South Four Mile Run Drive, Arlington, Va., advised SA JOHN W. PFAFF, JR. that his company has used white Thermo Seal marking tape exclusively for over two years. Mr. YOUNG made available six samples of Thermo Seal marking tape which were affixed to two 3" by 5" cards.

Mr. YOUNG noted the machine is capable of making six characters at one time and that the first four characters on this machine are slightly smaller than the last four characters. His company uses a coding system consisting of four alphabetic letters, a dash and one number. According to Mr. YOUNG, there is no standard coding process and each individual laundry is free to employ its own individual coding system.

3 - Bureau (Enc-2)(Registered Mail) 2 - Memphis (44-1987)

2 - Richmond

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TO:

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

FROM:

SAC, SAVAHNAH (44-1768) (P)

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Albany teletype, 4/11/68.

Enclosed herewith via Registered Mail to FBI Laboratory is Hulse Dry Cleaning and Laundry Centers, Inc., Augusta, Ga., invoice with five red laundry tags attached. Sample tags were obtained from machine used by Taylor-Hulse Dry Cleaning and Laundry, Augusta, Ga., on 4/11/68.

On 4/11/68, NICHAEL TAYLOR, part owner, Taylor-Hulse Dry Cleaning and Laundry, 1976 Ellis St., Augusta, Ga., advised that his company uses Thermoseal marking machine to attach cloth laundry tags to garments. They use code with two numerals designating lot number followed by letter designating week followed by number designating number of bundle. They use 11 colors and rotate colors after going through alphabet when starting over at A. TAYLOR checked his records and determined that the last time they issued number 02B 6 on red tag was on 7/13/67. TAYLOR located laundry ticket marked red 02B 6. This ticket was given to J. B. MC MICHAEL, 2062 Greene St., Augusta, Ga. It was dated 7/13/67, and covered laundry of one shirt, cost 30¢. TAYLOR said this price indicated the item laundered was an outer shirt as opposed to an undershirt. TAYLOR added that J. B. MC MICHAEL is his grandfather, is employed as secretary to all Scottish Rites bodies in the Augusta, Ga. area with his office in the Bonair Rotel. TAYLOR stated he

3 - Bureau (Enc. 6) (RM) 1 - Memphis (44-1987)

2 - Savannah

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he is positive MC MICHAEL has not left the Augusta, Ga., area during the past month.

The FBI Laboratory is requested to compare submitted laundry tags with tags found on undershorts and tee shirt at scene of shooting of Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., to determine if tags were made with same machine.

Submitted items should be destroyed if they are determined to be of no value to investigation.

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: April 19, 1968

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Re: MURKIN

00: Memphis

FBI File No. 44-38861 Lab. No. D-560922 JK

Examination requested by: Chicago

Reference:

Airtel 4/15/68

Examination requested: Document - Fingerprint

Remarks:

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

Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

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

1 - Los Angeles (44-1574) Enclosure (Lab report)

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REPORT of the



FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

FBI, Memphis (44-1987) To:

Date: April 19, 1968

FBI File No. 44-38861

Lab. No. **D-560922 JK**

Re: MURKIN

CR

00: Memphis

4/16/68 Specimens received

Six handwriting sample forms bearing known hand-K60 writing of THOMAS MARTIN FLIKEID

K61 Eight handwriting sample forms bearing known handwriting of SUSAN L. HARRIS FLIKEID

ALSO SUBMITTED: Major case prints of SUSAN L. HARRIS FLIKEID, and THOMAS MARTIN FLIKEID, and GINGER NANCE

Result of examination:

It was concluded that the questioned writings appearing on Q118 (portion of "Kleenex box") were not prepared by either THOMAS MARTIN FLIKEID, K60, or SUSAN L. HARRIS FLIKEID, K61.

The submitted material has been retained.

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1 - Mr. Conrad - Mr. Rosen (Mr. Long, 2260) Lab File

Mr. Mortimer

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: FBI, Chicago (44-1114)

Date: April 18, 1968

Re: MURKIN

John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No. Lab. No.

44-38861 D-560921 ET

Examination requested by:

Chicago

Reference:

Airtel 4/15/68

Examination requested:

Document

Remarks:

Enclosures (3) (K62, 2 Lab report)

2 - Memphis Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)
1 - Los Angeles (44-1574) Enclosure (Lab report)
1 - Birmingham Enclosure (Lab report)

1 - Atlanta Enclosure (Lab report)

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: FBI, Chicago (44-1114)

Re: MURKIN

Date: April 18, 1968
FBI File No. 44-38861
Lab. No. D-560921 FT

Specimens received 4/16/68

K62 One Prinz Air Release in sealed carton

Result of examination:

Specimen K62 is, in all respects, like specimen Q119.

Specimen K62 is returned herewith. No photographs have been retained.

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Laboratory Transmittal Form



FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

Date: April 19, 1968

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Re:

MURKIN

CR

00: Memphis

John Edgar Hoover, Director

D-560791 JK

FBI File No. 44-38861

Lab. No.

Examination requested by:

Birmingham

Reference:

Airtel 4/12/68

Examination requested:

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Remarks:

Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

2 - Birmingham (44-1740) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

REPORT of the



FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

Date: April 19, 1968 FBI File No. 44-38861

Re: MURKIN

Lab. No.

D-560791 JK

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Specimens received 4/15/68

K63 Nineteen photocopies of checks, numbers 114 through 132, and photocopy of registration card, number 18-2101262, bearing purported known handwriting of ROBERT BORSARI (printed from submitted roll of 35 millimeter Panatomic-X film)

ALSO SUBMITTED: Photocopy of bank statement of ROBERT BORSARI (printed from submitted film)

Result of examination:

It was concluded that the questioned writings appearing on items submitted in this case were not prepared by ROBERT BORSARI, K63.

Specimens K63 has been retained.



1 - Mr. Rosen (Mr. Long 2260)

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1 - Mr. Mortimer 1 - Lab File

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

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Date: May 2. 1968

Re: MANIM

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FBI File No. Lab. No. D-560794 JK

Examination requested by:

Reference:

Airtel 4/13/68

Examination requested:

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EXILE Specimens received 4/15/68

- Kl55 Two Special Attention tags manufactured by Stry-Lookoff Company, Louisville, Ky.
- %187 Two color samples of paper used in mamufacture of tags by Stry-Lenkoff Company

Conerks:

Referenced Louisville airtel submitted samples of paper tags obtained from the Stry-Lenkoff Company, Louisville, Kentucky, similar to one of the tags recovered is the Mustang automobile of Galt is Atlanta, Georgia.

The specimens have been retained for possible future comparisons.

No Laboratory report is being submitted.

- 1 Louisville (44-947)
- 1 Chicago (44-1114)

JHM:AW (10)

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

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



FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

Date: April 24, 1968

Re: MURKIN

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FBI File No.

44-38861 D-560879 J

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John Edgar Hoover, Director

Reference:

Airtels, 4/11/68, 4/13/68 and

4/13/68

Examination requested:

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Remarks:

Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

1 - Cincinnati (157-1893) Enclosure (Lab report)

1 - Miami (44-1854) Enclosure (Lab report)

1 - Albany (44-493) Enclosure (Lab report)

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Re:

REPORT of the



FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON. D. C. 20535

 $_{To:}$ FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

Date: April 24, 1968

FBI File No. 44-38861

Lab. No.

D-560879 JK

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Specimens received 4/12/68. from FBI. Miami

K155 Eight sample laundry tapes, four bearing code 02B-6 and four bearing code D2B-6, obtained from Thermo-Seal marking machine, Prather's Laundry, Naples, Florida.

Specimens received 4/16/68, from FBI, Cincinnati

- K158 Four sample laundry tapes from Thermo-Seal, Model No. H5L4, SN 32481 marking machine located at B & B Cleaners and Curtain Service, Columbus, Ohio.
- K159 Four sample laundry tapes from Thermo-Seal marking machine, Model No. H5L4, SN 32462, located at Pal's Laundry and Shirt Service, Columbus, Ohio

Specimens received 4/16/68, from FBI, Memphis

- K160 Piece of white cloth containing six samples of laundry tapes from Thermo-Seal Machine, Serial No. R 31883, located at Lamar Laundry, 1172 Lamar, Memphis, Tennessee
- K161 Piece of white cloth containing six samples of laundry tapes from Thermo-Seal Machine, Serial No. R 31875, located at Lamar Lanudry, 1172 Lamar, Memphis, Tennessee
- K162 Laundry list form containing six samples of laundry tapes from Thermo-Seal Machine, Serial No. 32439, located at Naval Exchange Laundry, Millington, Tennessee
- K163 Laundry list form containing seven samples of laundry tapes from Thermo-Seal Machine, Serial No. 32044, located at Naval Exchange Laundry, Millington, Tennessee
- K164 Laundry list form containing six samples of laundry tapes from Thermo-Seal Machine, Serial No. 32040, at Naval Exchange Laundry, Millington, Tennessee

Page 1 (continued on next page)

Result of examination:

It was determined that the laundry tags appearing on the Q69 and Q70 articles of clothing were not prepared by any of the machines responsible for preparing the laundry tags designated K155 and K158 through K164.

The submitted items have been retained.

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TO:

DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

ATTENTION: FBI LABORATORY

PROM:

SAC, MIAMI (44-1854) (P)

SUBJECT: NUEKIN

Re Bureau teletype to all continental offices dated 4/9/68, and Albany teletype to Memphis dated 4/9/68 and captioned as above.

Enclosed for transmission to the FBI Laboratory are two packages of laundry tapes, four tapes per package, obtained from Thermo-Seal marking machine, Naples, Florida.

BYEON MILLER, foresan, Prather's Laundry, Naples, Florida, advised he uses a Thermo-Seal arking seal and Thermo Seal tape rolls made by the Textile Marking Machine Company, Inc., Syracuse, New York. He stated the code 028-6 or 028-6 is not one of his codes and never has been. MILLER's machine is model HSLL, serial number 31793.

Emples of code 02B-6 and D2B-6 were run on the above machine and it was noted that depending on how the machine was operated, the first part of the letter "0" or "D" could be cut off if the machine is operated fast. If the machine is operated fast, the first letter is partially cut off many times. MILLER advised this does not mean the machine is faulty.

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2 - Birmingham (44-1740) (RM)

2 - Memphis (44-1987) (RM)

2 - Albany (RM)

1 - Miami

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MM 44-1854

This machine also stamped out the entire code when properly operated and portions of the "O" and "D" were not cut off.

These tapes are being forwarded to the FBI Laboratory for information inassuch as MILLER advised that when these machines are operated too fast, the first digit of the code is often cut in half. These tapes are not being furnished for comparison with those submitted by the Memphis Division in captioned matter, since MILLER advised that this code is unknown to him.

It is requested that these tapes be returned to the Miami Office at such time as the FBI Laboratory has examined them.

4/13/68

AIRTEL

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

FROM: MEMPHIS (44-1987) (P)

SUBJECT: MURKIN;

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RE: LAUNDRY MARKS

Enclosed for the Bureau are laundry mark samples obtained from Thermo-Seal Laundry Marking Machines located in the Naval Exchange Laundry, Millington, Tenn., and the Lamar Laundry, 1172 Lamar, Memphis, Tenn. The serial numbers of the machines from which sample obtained are reflected on each sample.

REQUEST OF BUREAU

Bureau is requested to compare the enclosed laundry marks with laundry marks in this case.

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AIRTEL

TO:

DIRECTOR, FBI

ATTENTION: FBI LABORATORY

FROM:

SAC, CINCINNATI (157-1893)(P)

SUBJECT: MURKIN

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Transmitted herewith are samples from the following laundries in Columbus, Ohio, which use thermoseal tape in a marking machine manufactured by Textile Marking Machine Co., Syracuse, New York.

- (1) Pal's Laundry and Shirt Service, 3167 East Main Street, Columbus, Ohio, model H5L4, serial number 32462.
- (2) B & B Cleaners and Curtain Service, 161 Thurman Avenue, Columbus, Ohio, model H5L4, serial number 32481.

It is requested that enclosed marking tapes be compared with tapes located on underclothing at scene of murder.

3 Bureau (Enc. 2) (AMSD) (RM)

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LABORATORY

1-Mr. Rosen (Mr. Long 226)

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

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

Date: April 23, 1968

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Re: MURKIN

CR

00: Memphis

John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No. 44-38861 Lab. No. D-561271 JK

Examination requested by:

Kansas City

Reference:

Airtel 4/20/68

Examination requested:

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Remarks:

It should be noted that the questioned writings on some of the items received in this case are limited to the "Galt" name alone. The identification of the "Galt" writings with K171, ase set forth in the attached report, considered all these questioned writings as a unit and it may not be possible to identify a particular specimen with K171 because of the limited nature of the questioned writing involved and the lack of comparable known material.

For information, similarities were noted between K171 and the "Lownyer" signature on Q72.

Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

2 - Kansas City (44-760) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

1 - Atlanta (44-2386) Enclosure (Lab report)

1 - Birmingham (44-1740) Enclosure (Lab report)

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REPORT of the



FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

Date: April 23, 1968 FBI File No. 44-38861 Lab. No. D-561271 JK

Re: MURKIN

Specimens received 4/22/88

K171 Missouri State Penitentiary form dated 10/24/66, bearing known handwriting of JAMES E. RAY

ALSO SUBMITTED: Copies of two-page report of psycheatric examination dated 10/24/68

Result of examination:

The "Galt" writings considered together and specimen K171 can be identified as having been prepared by the same individual.

Because of the limited questioned material and the lack of comparable letters and letter combinations, it could not be determined whether the "harvey Lowmyer" signature on the Q72 gun invoice was prepared by JAMES E. RAY, K171.

Specimen K171 is being retained.

Mr. Erlieach ... Mr. Mohr.... Mr. Bishop Mr. Casper ____ FB! Date: 4/20/68 Mr. Rosenii Mr. Saniyan_ Transmit the following in _ Mr. Tavel.... (Type in plaintext or code) Mr. Tratter_ Tele. Room AIRTEL AIRMAIL Via. Miss Helmes_ (Priority) Miss Gandy_ TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861) FBI LABORATORY FROM: KANSAS CITY (44-760) p MURKIN 00 Memphis 561271 Enclosed for the Bureau is original and one copy of letter in the handwriting of JAMES E. RAY dated 10/24/66. Also two copies of a two-page report of psychiatric examination dated 10/24/66. Two copies each of the above are also being enclosed for the Memphis Office. It is requested that the FBI Laboratory compare the handwriting samples in this letter of JAMES E. RAY to handwriting samples already furnished the Bureau of any other suspects in this matter. The letter from JAMES E. RAY is to Dr. EARL C. KEPLER, Biggs Building, Fulton, Mo., and was furnished to SA ROWEN B. AYERS by Dr. G. B. PETERSON, Fulton State Hospital No. 1, Fulton, Missouri, on 4/19/68. Dr. PETERSON also furnished the report of psychiatric examination to SA AYERS at this time. Dr. PETERSON advised that the psychiatric examination was confidential for the FBI only and could not be released outside of the Department of Justice without a. court order. Dr. PETERSON further requested that the original letter from JAMES E. RAY dated 10/24/66 be returned to the hospital when it is of no further value to the FBI. 3 Bureau (Enc. 4) (RM) 2 Memphis (Enc. 4) 2 Kansas City RBH: rmb acoled ENG C. C. Bishop

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Special Agent in Charge

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