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DIRECTOR, 781 (44-30661)

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Re Legat, Mexico sintel dated 4/23/68.

RALPE B. ANDERSON advised on 5/2/68, he stayed at the Note: Nie, Norels 25, Fuerto Vallante, Jalimo, Mexico, for about three days, October 24 - 27, 1907. He stated he spent most of his time on the beach and had little contact with persons at the hotel. He vicessityhotographs of JANNS MANL RAY and stated he does not recall seeing anyons at the Note: Rio who recembled RAT.

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The following investigation was conducted by SA ALAN L. MANNING:

AT LONGVIEW, TEXAS

On May 2, 1968, RALPH B. ANDERSON, Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, advised that he was at the Motel Rio, room on the second floor, room number not recalled, Morelom 86, Puerto Vallarte, Jalisco, Mexico, for about three days, October 24 - 27, 1967. He stated he does not drink so therefore his contact with people at the hotel was very limited as he spent most of his time on the beach. He stated he was alone on his visit to Mexico.

ANDERSON viewed photographs of JANES EARL RAY and advised he does not recall seeing anyone at the Hotel Rio who resembled RAY and that he does not know such a person.

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MAG, DALLAS (44-2649) (P)

SUBJECT:

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Re Rooming House, 107--14th Street NE, Atlanta, Georgia.

Re Dallas teletype dated 4/25/68.

Enclosed herewith are nine copies each of FD-302s, reporting interviews of BILLY JOE FAULKNER and JERRY NED MYLLER on 4/24/68, and interviews of WALTER PRICE and SUE KELLY on 4/26/68.

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BILLY JOE FAULENER, Apartment H, 2002 Kirby Street, Dallas, furnished the following information:

The only time he has been in Atlanta, Georgia, during recent years was from Nevember, 1966, through February, 1967, when he resided at an unrecalled address on Piedmont Street. Then he resided for about two weeks at what he believes was 107 14th Street, N.E. It was the first building on 14th Street off Peachtree. He lived in a first floor apartment in the rear near the kitchen door.

He was injured on March 21, 1967, and left Atlanta on March 24, 1967, and went to live with his father in Midland City, Alabama. He stayed there until sometime in August, 1967, when he went to New Orleans and began working for Edwards Transportation Company on a tugboat. He worked on the tugboat for about six weeks. Then he went to Local 513, International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Galveston, Texas, and they got him a job with Lummus Company as a wireman and journeyman electrician on a construction job in Texas City, Texas. While in Texas City, he resided at Colonial Courts which is behind the main Post Office. He was laid off this jeb because of a reduction in force.

In November and December, 1967, and January and February, 1968, he was in Midland City, Alabama, with his father. In February, 1968, he went to work for Olympia Golf Course, Bothan, Alabama, and was fired in mid-March, 1968.

From the middle of March, 1968, until he came to Dallas on April 3, 1968, he lived with SUE KELLY at My Place, a beer bar on Route 4, Graceville, Florida. This bar is located 3½ miles north of Graceville on Slocom (phonetic) Highway. He spent four or five days a week at this bar and the rest of the time he spent in Midland City, where he stayed with his father or in a trailer he rented from Mr. and Mrs. CHARLES WOODHAM. The only traveling he did during this time, except back and forth between

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Midland City and Graceville, was one trip he made to Pensacela, Florida, to pick up a girl to work at the bar. He went to Pensacela and returned the same day.

During the time he was at My Place bar, two girls worked there, JACKIE MOLINE and JACKIE (last name unknown), who is now employed at the Busy Bea Cafe in Dothan, Alabama.

LARRY BURCH, an insurance salesman for Independent Life Insurance Company, was in the bar almost daily and can vouch for his being there.

He arrived in Dallas on April 3, 1968, and rented the apartment at 2002 Kirby on that date. On April 4, 1968, he recalls going to see WALTER (last name unknown), who operates Galaxie One on Live Oak Street, and paying him \$3.00 for a telephone call he had made to WALTER in January. On April 5, 1968, he had lunch with DALE KNOTTS, General Director of the Tuberculosis Association in Dallas.

JERRY NED MILLER, who formerly resided near My Place bar on Route 4, Graceville, has been his constant companion for the last two months and is now residing with him at Apartment H, 2002 Kirby Street, Dallas.

SUE KELLY came to Dallas with him in his car and was living with him at this address. She is currently working as a waitress at the Mandarin Restaurant on Gaston Avenue.

He stated he did not know anyone who resided at 107 14th Street, or anyone in any of the adjoining apartment buildings in Atlanta. He recalls talking to a man about 57 years old who resided at that address who was a carpenter and he believes he returned to his home in Carrollton, Georgia, on weekends.

He was shown a photograph of JAMES EARL RAY and he stated he has never seen this person at any time. He said the name is not familiar to him, nor is the name ERIC STARVO GALT.

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He knows nothing whatever about the murder of MARTIN LUTHER KING and had no hatred of KING. He would never have considered participating in any way in a plot to kill KING. He admitted having been a member of the Ku Klux Klan in 1965 but said he ceased being a member in about March, 1965, after he was stopped by police in some small town in North Carolina at which time he had his klan robes on. He claimed he was only in the klan for about four months and held no position of responsibility.

No. He displayed a current Florida driver's license No. which shows it was issued March 25, 1958, and expires on his birth date in 1970. It is issued to BILLY JOE FAULKNER. Route 4, Graceville, Jackson, Florida, born white, blue eyes, 5'10", 165 pounds, an electrician.





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SUE KELLY, 4817 Tremont, employed as a waitress at the Mandarin Restaurant, 4822 Gaston, related the following:

She first met BILLY JOE FAULENER in early December, 1967, in Pensacola, Florida. He was working as an electrician there and she was employed as a barmaid. They were residing at the Pace Park Motel on Pace Boulevard in Pensacola. After meeting him, he remained in Pensacola for about a week before going back to his home in Midland City, Alabama. He returned in the latter part of January or early February, stayed with her in Pensacola two or three days. They then traveled together to Midland City and began living together in a trailer FAULENER rented.

She soon began operating My Place bar near Graceville, Florida. She and FAULENER lived at the bar Mondays through Fridays and returned to Midland City for the weekends. From the time they left Pensacola in late January or early February, 1968, until about April 16, 1968, she and FAULENER were together every day. He would occasionally go to Midland City from Graceville for the day, but was never away from her overnight.

On about April 16, 1968, she and FAULKNER had an argument which resulted in her moving from Apartment H, 2002 Kirby Street, to her present address. She knows FAULKNER is a homosexual and suspects there is a homosexual relationship between FAULKNER and JERRY NED MILLER, who has been with FAULKNER since they left Graceville and came to Dallas.

She was shown a photograph of JAMES EARL RAY and she said this person was completely unfamiliar to her.

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WALTER PRICE, Manager and operator of Galaxy One, Live Oak and Skiles, advised he has been acquainted with BILLY JOE FAULENER for several years. He said FAULENER comes into the Galaxy One lounge whenever he is in Dallas.

On or about April 4, 1968, FAULENER came into the lounge and paid him \$3.00 for a telephone call FAULENER had made to him collect several months ago.

During April, FAULENER has been in the Galaxy One on several occasions.

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JERRY NED MILLER, Apartment H, 2002 Kirby Street, advised he has been an almost constant companion of BILLY JOE FAULENER from about mid-March, 1968, until the present time. He has not been out of the presence of FAULENER for over a few hours during that time. He knows that FAULENER has been in Graceville, Florida, and Midland City, Alabama, during the time they have been together except for a one-day trip to Pensacola.

MILLER was shown a photograph of JAMES EARL RAY and he claimed he has never seen this person.

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RE: JACK MAYNARD RAY

The following investigation was conducted by SA JAMES M. UNDERHILL:

About 11:35 A.M., March 24, 1965, an individual identifying himself only as JACK RAY telephonically contacted the Durham, North Carolina, Resident Agency of the FBI and asked whether information concerning killing of MARTIN LUTHER KING would be of interest. The caller inferred he himself had just finished serving a long prison sentence. He declined to furnish his whereabouts or any more details but agreed to come immediately to the Durham Resident Agency, which he failed to do.

About 2:35 P. M., March 24, 1965, an individual identifying himself as GEORGE MC LAMB, telephone repairman for General Telephone Company of the Southeast, President of the Durham County Citizens Council, and the local Telephone Workers Union, all Durham, North Carolina, contacted the Durham Resident Agency. MC LAMB stated that at about 7:15 P. M. on March 23, 1965, he received a telephone call at his residence from an individual identifying himself as JACK RAY. RAY had said that a former member of the Citizens Council, whose name was not given, gave him MC LAMB's name. RAY, according to MC LAMB, stated he was on his way to Alabama and was wanting the help of the Citizens Council. RAY further said he was calling about MARTIN LUTHER KING and his associates. RAY askwd whether the Citizens Council would help him if he were caught after doing what he was going to do.

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MC LAMB stated he informed RAY the Citizens Council would not enter into any conspiracy and asked RAY what he intended to do. RAY replied he was going to "bust KING wide open." MC LAMB said he then advised RAY they had nothing to talk about and terminated the conversation.

MC LAMB said he had made some inquiries among members of this Citizens Council at Durham but failed to develop anyone knowing RAY. MC LAMB said he would immediately notify the FBI in the event he was contacted by RAY or received any further information about him.

Efforts through the Durham Police Department and the Durham Credit Bureau to identify RAY were unsuccessful on March 24, 1965.

On March 25, 1965, JACK MAYNARD RAY of 1814 Vale Street, Durham, North Carolina, was interviewed by Special Agents of the FBI at Durham. RAY related as follows:

On Tuesday, March 23, 1965, he was at the "Country Kitchen" at Durham, North Carolina, operated by a Mr. GREEN. RAY got in conversation with GREEN and then GREEN introduced RAY to GEORGE MC LAMB, President of the Durham County Citizens Council and the local Telephone Workers Union. MC LAMB took RAY to a car believed to have been a Ford Station Wagon. There MC LAMB expressed hatred of Negroes and asked RAY if RAY would shoot JAMES FARMER, Executive Director of Congress of Racial Equality (CORE) and/or MARTIN LUIHER KING. RAY said he would do so if the price were right and the money was "on the line." RAY claimed MC LAMB asked whether RAY would try to get a shot at KING or FARMER in Selma, Alabama, for \$5000 and said that MC LAMB exhibited a photograph of FARMER.

RAY stated MC LAMB had pointed out it was unlikely that a person shooting either FARMER or KING in Alabama, Louislana, or Mississippi, would be convicted of any serious crime.

RAY continued that MC LAMB again met him in the station wagon near the "Country Kitchen" on the evening of

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March 24, 1965. He mentioned sending RAY to Jackson, Mississippi, to contact an undisclosed person there. MC LAMB also indicated he would arrange to secure a rifle for RAY, since all RAY had was a long berrel .38 caliber Smith and Wesson pistol. RAY said MC LAMB gave him \$20.

RAY acknowledged he was the individual who had telephoned the Durham Resident Agency of the FBI on March 24, 1965, and said he had not kept the appointment because of rain.

RAY stated that he has no intention of harming FARMER or KING and will notify the FBI if he receives any further request along this line.

RAY stated he himself had served approximately 25 years for a robbery in 1942 of a bank in Hyattsville, Maryland. He stated since he was released he has been making liquor in the vicinity of North Wilkesboro, North Carolina, and that he recently paid a fine at Charlotte, North Carolina, for public drunk and carrying a concealed weapon, a pistol. Puring this interview RAY was in possession of a quart bottle of wine with the larger portion of it gone.

RAY described MC LAMB as follows:

Race: White Age: 37

Height: About 5 feet 8 inches

Features: Round face

RAY is described as follows:

Born:

Race: White

Franklin County, North

Carolina

Height: 5 feet 10 inches

Weight: 158 pounds Hair: Light brown

Eyes: Light Cray

Residence: 1814 Vale Street

The following investigation was conducted at Durham, North Carolina, by SA CHARLES S. MILLER:

On April 26, 1968, HORACE H. HALLETT, Durham, reported that GEORGE E. MC IAMB was still employed by the telephone company but was now in the purchasing department. Employment records reflected that he was at work at Durham, North Carolina, April 3-5, 1968 and worked nine, ten, and nine hours respectively these dates.

On April 29, 1968, HALLETT, supra, advised his records reflected GEDRGE E. MC LAMB was currently a division plant supervisor of the Marerial and Supplies Division. He resided at 2819 Way Cross Road, telephone number 682-2881. Records reflected MC LAMB was born at Sampson County, North Carolina. He was nired by the telephone company June 1, 1953, under Social Security number

He stated MC LAMB was now a part of management and no longer a member of the IBW Union although he was believed to retain a close friendship with the present president of this organization, EUDDY HOLIAND.

HALLETT stated MC IAMB had an excellent work record and no information concerning financial difficulty, instability, or unusual obsessions was noted in the file.

On May 2, 1968, GEORGE E. MC IAMB, 2819 Way Cross Road, was interviewed at the General Telephone Company of Southeast Maintenance Plant. MC IAMB advised he had had no contact whatever with JACK MAYNARD RAY since the previously reported contact in March, 1965.

MC IAMB noted he never had in fact had any significant contact with RAY.

We did recall that at that time RAY had made a false allegation that the Citizens Council had tried to hire RAY to assassinate MARTIN LUTHER KING but this had not been true.

MC IAMB Stated since that time he, MC IAMB, had discontinued completely his affiliation with Durham County Citizens Council. He never had belonged to any Klan unit. Also, he had become a part of management and given up all affiliations with the Teamsters Workers Union.

MC IAMB stated he had no information whatever concerning the assassination of MARTIN LUTHER KING. As previously stated, MC IAMB stated he was opposed to acts of violence and would not uphold in any fashion the shooting of KING.

On April 26, 1968, Detective Lieutemant RICHARD MORRIS, Durham Police Department, advised he had made a check of his department, and none of the officers were aware of any information to indicate that JACK MAYNARD RAY had been in Durham, North Carolina, over the past two years.

MORRIS stated he had requested all officers to contact their informats for information as to the whereabouts of RAY.

On April 27, 1968, MORRIS stated officers of the Durham Police Department had been unable to develop any specific information as to the whereabouts of JACK MAYNARD RAY.

On April 30, 1968, ED MARKS, 1841 Vale Street, advised he understood JACK RAY had previously resided at that address with his sister, SUSIE WHITT, but that he had not seen or heard anything as to the whereabouts of RAY for well over a year.

On April 30, 1968, MELVIN BARBEE, 1810 Vale Street, advised he had known JACK RAY for many years as the brother of his next door neighbor, SUSIE WHITT. BARBEE stated he had last seen RAY in about 1965. He said that the FBI had talked to RAY at that time and immediately after this, RAY had left Durham without notice, stating he was never going to come back.

BARBEE stated RAY's sister, SUSIE WHITT had moved to the Hocutt Road, Durham, North Carolina, but she had recently indicated she did not know RAY's whereabouts.

On April 30, 1968, SUSIE WHITT, Hocutt Road, Durham telephone number 596-7487, advised JACK MAYNARD RAY was her brother. She stated she had not seen him since 1965 when the FBI came to see him. She stated at that time he had been continually drunk. After talking with the FBI, RAY left Durham, stating he was never coming back. He indicated an intention of visiting his wife, MAE RAY, nee MAE HEIMS in Charlotte, North Carolina.

Mrs. WHITT advised she never knew Mrs. RAY's address but recalls she had worked at the Charlotte Memorial Hospital.

Mrs. WHITT stated her brother would say anything when drunk. She doubted very seriously any intention on his part to harm anyone. She noted further that he was born over 55 years ago, and no one would mistake him for being under 45.

On May 6, 1968, Detective R. D. RAY, Durham Police Department, advised he had known JACK RAY, but could furnish no information as to his current whereabouts. The only relative he knew RAY to have was his sister, SUSIE WHITT, and she denied any knowledge as to his whereabouts. RAY noted that when JACK RAY had previously been in Durham in 1965, he had been suspected of getting his nephew, the son of SUSIE WHITT, in trouble. JACK RAY himself was regarded as a drunk.

RAY stated the Durham Police Department records reflected RAY, Durham Police Department number 9865, had FBI number 864 684, and was born in Franklin County, North Carolina.

The following investigation was conducted by SA EDWARD J. BRENNAN and SA EMANUEL R. JOHNSON in an effort to locate JECK NAYNARD RAY:

AT CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA

Records of the Charlotte Police Department were reviewed and numerous references to RAY were located. The records reflected residences of 1915 Thomas Avenue and 1919 Thomas Avenue, and employment at Renfrow Distributing Company.

Neighborhood investigations reflected that Mr. RAY had last been seen in the Charlotte area some four years prior to 1968.

Mrs. SUZIE HUFFMAN, Secretary to the Personnel Director of Charlotte Memorial Hospital, advised that she could locate no record for MAE RAY, nee Helms as an employee of the hospital.

Mrs. ANNE HOWELL, Medical Records Librarian, advised the only record of a patient named MAE HELMS which might in any way be connected with one MAE HELMS in this matter, expired in April of 1963. She had a former address of 1619 Parsons Street, Charlotte. Weighborhood investigation in the vicinity of that location revealed that this particular MAE HELMS had never been married to JACK MAYNARD RAY.

Police records reflected that JACK MAYNARD RAY had been confined at Wilmuth Hospital; therefore, Mrs. BONNIE KNOWLES, Superintendent of Nursing, was contacted at Wilmuth Hospital, an Alcoholics Anonymous institution. No tecord of RAY was located; however, Mrs. KNOWLES reported he could have entered the hospital under any name he might choose to give; therefore, his photograph was circulated among members of the staff and patients, most of whom are repeaters. They related his face was familiar; however, they could not identify him.

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Contact with personnel of Renfrow Distributing Company failed to reveal anyone who knew the current whereabouts of RAY. Mr. JACK RENFROW advised that RAY remarried one MAE HELMS, who worked as a practical nurse. Canvass of all local hospitals revealed that MAE HELMS worked as a private duty nurse at the Wesley Mursing Center; however, her current whereabouts were not known inasmuch as her mother had recently suffered a heart attack and confined to another local hospital.

A review of the records of the United States Probation Office at Charlotte revealed RAY listed his inlaws as Mrs. CORA HELES, 1409 Pecan Street.

Inquiry in the vicinity of 1409 Pecan Street revealed that Mrs. CORA HEIMS was critically ill in a local hospital having suffered a heart attack. MAE HEIMS, her daughter, resides at 1401 Pecan Street, and MAE HEIMS was contacted.

She advised that she divorced JACK MAYNARD RAY approximately two years ago and the last contact she had with him was through his sister in Durham, North Carolina, who contacted her in January, 1967, stating that JACK MAYNARD RAY was confined to a hospital in Daytona Beach, Florida, suffering from confuisions. She related he was an alcoholic and she believed he is possibly dead.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO

SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)

DATE: 5/8/68

FROM:

SAC, HONOLVIU (157-131)

SUBJECT:

MURKIN

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Re Columbia airtel to Honolulu 4/23/68.

On 5/1/68, Mr. HANK NOUCHI, Assistant Manager of the Sheraton Maui Hotel at Kaanapali, Maui, Hawaii, was advised that an individual bearing a resemblance to JAMES EARL RAY had been reported to be in the hotel on 4/17/68. The Bartender in the dining room, Mr. JOE COIT and Mr. NOUCHI did not know the identity of the guest. The waitresses on duty were also questioned with negative results.

Mr. NOUCHI said he would be alert for such an individual and if he appeared at the hotel he would notify the FBI.

On 5/1/68, HN 345C said he has not seen anyone in Lahaina, Maui, Hawaii, resembling RAY. He is familiar with the hippy population and would be in a good position to identify him if he was in Lahaina.

A request has been made of the Maui County Police Department to be alert for the appearance of RAY and to check the logical hippy type hang outs and rooming houses.

For information of Memphis, the Island of Maui has no particular area populated by hippies. The Island does not have particular areas where they congregate or particular hotels or rooming houses where they live. Most of them rent shacks or sleep on the beach. They also live in boats, tents, abandoned buildings, and so forth.

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Re Bureau airtel to Palladelphia 4/30/68 re Niss

The following investigation was conducted by SA HUBB C. NORTON:

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On May 1, 1968, Chief of Police MELVIN STUTZMAN, Regins Posmehip, Valley View, Pa., to Jophonically advised that complainant JEAN N. HUNTEINDER: 704 Bast Main Street, Regins, Regins Township, Pa., 1s.53 years of age and has been treated several times in the past for mervousness and mental upsets.

At Hegins, Pa.

On 5/3/68, ELLIS E. MILLER, Postmaster, stated Miss JRAN M. HUNTSINGER is his county. He stated she has been in the hospital on several occasions for treatment for mental upsets and that she often writes towarlous public officials about whatever may be currently in the news. He stated man should not pay much attention to what she says as she has a very vivid imagination.

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On 5/6/68, Miss JEAN N. HUNTSINGER, Apartment 4, 704 Rest Main Street, was contacted and her letter to the Director dated 4/26/68 was acknowledged.

Riss HUNTSINGER stated she had no information concerning instant matter other than what was included in her letter to the Director, above mentioned. She stated she has not again seen the automobile mentioned in her letter or the two occupants of the automobile.

In view of the above, no further action is being taken by the Philadelphia Office in connection with the information furnished by Miss HUNTSTMURR in her letter.

One copy of this sirtel is designated for the information of the Mamphis Office, which received a copy of referenced Bureau sirtel.

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The following investigation was conducted by SA SPENCER H. ROBB, April 30, 1968:

AT MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA

RUFUS RAY, 25 East South Street, advised he is retired from the U.S. Internal Revenue Service, after 42 years service, and has resided in Montgomery some 40 years. His son Lt. Col. JAMES EARL RAY, is serving with the U.S. Army in Vietnam. He said Lt. Col. RAY's son, JAMES EARL RAY, JR., has recently joined the U.S. Navy and is stationed in Jacksonville, Florida.

Mr. RAY stated that to his knowledge the JAMES EARL RAY being sought in connection with this KING killing is not related in any way to his family.

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gistered	Memphis and Atlanta can refer to pages 19 through ep, which sets forth a list of all guests who we at the Provincial Motel, 1024 Chartres Street, No. La., between 12/17 and 19/67.	re re-
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Other Offices receiving copies of this airtel were not furnished rerep and so the following background information is being set forth to assist these Offices in conducting the requested investigation:

Investigation has determined that the subject, using the name of ERIC GALT, left Los Angeles, Calif., on 12/15/67, driving his Mustang automobile, in the company of CHARLES J. STEIN, of Los Angeles. STEIN had formerly been a resident of New Orleans and the alleged purpose of this trip was for STEIN to pick up two children of his sister's who were residing in New Orleans and return them to California. According to STEIN, they arrived in New Orleans on 12/17/67 and left New Orleans on 12/19/67. STEIN stayed with relatives and investigation has determined that subject registered at the Provincial Motel. 1024 Chartres Street, New Orleans, on 12/17/67 as ERIC S. GALT and was assigned room 126. The registration card indicated GALT's automobile to be a Mustang bearing Alabama license 1-38993 and his address as 2608 Highland Avenue, Birmingham, The subject, as GALT, stayed at the motel until 12/19/67 when he checked out.

Interviews of motel employees in regards to the subject have been negative in that they cannot recall him.

There is set forth under a caption for each Office the identity or identities of persons staying at the Provincial Motel from 12/17 through 19/67. The identities of these persons were obtained from the motel registration cards as well as other information which is set forth under the name. The date listed under each name is the date the individual or individuals stayed at the motel. Each Office should locate and interview these individuals for any knowledge or contact they may have had with the subject. Various photographs of JAMES EARL RAY, which have been furnished to all Offices, should be displayed to these individuals to ascertain if they recall RAY.

In order to assist Memphis, the Office of Origin in this matter, each Office should set forth the results of this investigation in report form with copies of the reports designated for the Bureau and Memphis.

In the preparation of these reports, it is suggested that an appropriate predication for this part of the investigation be utilized in the details prior to reporting the results of contacts with these individuals. As an example, the following information might be used for this predication:

Information was Received from the New Orleans Office of the FBI that (insert name and address of person) had registered on (insert date) at the Provincial Motel, 1024 Chartres Street, New Orleans, Louisiana.

Of course, if any pertinent information is developed as a result of these contacts, this information should be brought to the attention of the Bureau and Memphis by the most expiditious means.

Each Office is reminded that previous Bureau instructions are that leads in captioned matter should be covered within 24 hours.

ATLANTA

RAY EASTERWOOD

139 Briar Lane, Atlanta, Ga.
Room 219
One in Party
12/18/67

E. D. ELLIOTT

1610 Southland Circle, N.W.,
Atlanta, Ga.
Room 202
One in party
12/19/67

N. R. HINEC

1610 Southland Avenue
Atlanta, Georgia
One in party
12/19/67

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. MATTHEWS, JR.

2126 Mobry Road, Northeast
Atlanta, Ga.
Car - Pontiac, Georgia license 2511476
Room 214
Two in party
12/19/67

BALTIMORE

Mr. and Mrs. Waldorf Plitcher /

10820 Georgia Avenue
Wheaton, Maryland
Car - Chevrolet, Maryland license AE 2099 /
Room 225
Two in party
12/18/67

BUFFALO

Mr. and Mrs. CUTTEN J. CARLSON 200 Collinworth Drive
Rochester, New York
Room 222
Two in party
12/17/67

Mr. and Mrs. VINTON P. OSTRANCHER

126 Meadow Lane
Buffalo, New York
Car - Cadillac, New York license TP 3035
Room 207
Two in party
12/19/67

CHICAGO

Mr. and Mrs. WENDELL H. WAYNE
P: 0. Box 975, Evanston, Ill.
Car - Pontiac, Illinois license 85299
Room 215
12/18/67

EMIL F. MEIER

2514 Pioneer Road

Evanston, Ill.

Car - Buick, Illinois license BX 1449

Room 211

Two in party
12/19/67

CINCINNATI

GERSON POLASKY

123 North McNichen
Cincinnati, Ohio
12/18/67

DETROIT

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. PINKER

2261 Rolling Green Road

Saginaw, Michigan

Car - Oldsmobile - Michigan license LP 5907

Room 118

Two in party

12/18/67 - 12/23/67

HOUSTON

Mr. and Mrs. N. M. JONES, JR.
213 Hutcheson, Houston, Texas
License - Texas MYN 249
Room 106
Two in party
12/19/67

JACKSONVILLE

G. L. POSTLETHWAIT /
General Delivery, Daytona Beach, Fla.
Car - Dodge, California license VF 451
Room 214
Two in party
12/18/67

MIAMI

W. H. RUNGLER (?)

2899 Columns Avenue, Miami, Fla.

Car - Cadillac, Florida license lWW11380

12/18/67

MINNEAPOLIS

Mr. and Mrs. E. S. KNUTH
514 Ebony, Duluth, Minn.
Room 112
Two in party
12/17/67

MOBILE

Mrs. HENRY J. SHERRILI 301 Woodland Avenue Mobile, Alabama Room 117 Two in party 12/17/67

Lt. Col. WILLIAM P. FISHER

610 A Seventh Street

Maxwell Air Force Base, Alabama

Car - Pontiac, Alabama license 3-2541

Room 108

Two in party

12/19/67

NEW YORK

Dr. and Mrs. DAVID L. ROSNER

87 Soundview Drive
Port Jefferson, New York
Car - Oldsmobile - New York license
Room 101
Two in party
12/18/67

OKLAHOMA CITY

Mr. and Mrs. MIKE EPPLES/ 1231 South Owasso Tulsa, Oklahoma License - Oklahoma D8762 Room 231 Two in party 12/18/67

PITTSBURGH

GORDON WELLMAN /
132 Forest Court
Irwin, Pennsylvania
Room 110
12/19/67

AUSTIN L. CONWAY

328 Highland Pines Drive
Pittsburgh 37, Pennsylvania
Room 102
One in party
12/19/67

SAN DIEGO

STEVE FULLER

4077 Hamilton Street, San Diego, Calif.
Car - Volkswagen, California license VOD 912
Room 109, two in party, 12/18/67

SPRINGFIELD

ROBERT A. CONEY, Judge /
311 Fayette Street
Peoria, Illinois
Car - Buick, Illinois license 3281
Room 212
Three in party
12/17/67

NEW ORLEANS

JOE PARISH

Belle Chasse, Louisiana
Room 108
12/18/68

A. A. CASBARIAN

716 Governor Nichols
New Orleans, Louisiana
Car - Jaguar, Louisiana license 29B986
Room 205
Two in party
12/19/67.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

FBI

		Date: 5/7/68
Trans	smit the following	ng in(Type in plaintext or code)
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	то:	DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861) SAC, BOSTON (157-644) (P) MURKIN
	FROM:	SAC, BOSTON (157-644) (P) January Markst unles
	SUBJECT:	MURKIN (OO:MEMPHIS)
		Re Albany airtel to Bureau dated 5/1/68.
	Thermo-Se	R. J. HANAVAN, Sales Manager, AMETEK, Inc., South stated on 5/7/68 that the location of the identified al Machines cannot be located through AMETEK records, tland, on the information set forth in referenced
	Island, a Sales Man Prosperit New Jerse their cur Company U Budget Cl New-Clear shipped t Long Isla	He advised that the companies listed on the referenced re believed by him to be located in the New York, Long nd New Jersey area and that contact with SAM GIAMIO, ager, and BILL EISKAMP, Service Manager, of the Pantexy Division of AMETEK at 4 Station Square, Rutherford, y would probably identify the companies and establish rent addresses. HANAVAN stated that Budget Cleaners nit 32368 shipped on 7/27/62 was probably shipped to eaners, 45 Avenue B, New York, New York, and that Company to which Unit 33495 was shipped was probably o New-Clear Company, 172 Middle Neck Road, Great Neck, nd, New York, or the same company at 192-10 Lingen, St. Albans, New York.
	reference	For information of Newark and New York, Albany in the dairtel advised that regarding Thermo-Seal Machines
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shipped to Pantex-Prosperity Textile Marking Machine Company, records disclosed nothing regarding the following Thermo-Seal Machines:

Serial Numbers 32146, 32151, 31992, 31430, 31437, 31331, 31656.

Mr. DONALD BROTON, Textile Marking Machine Company, advised that most of these machines were purchased in connection with sales of complete laundry facilities by Pantex-Prosperity and therefore their contract records should show what happened to these machines. Textile Marking Machine records which would show names other than Pantex Prosperity on these machines have been destroyed because of age. These records show the following regarding the following Thermo-Seal Machines:

SERIAL #	PANTEX-PROS PERITY ORDER NUMBER	DATE	IDENTITY OF COMPANY FOR WHOM PURCHASED
32068	406	1/8/62	JESS A. HILAND
32307	544	4/12/68	T&C Cleaners, Huntington (no state shown)
32368	688	7/27/62	Budget Cleaners
32440	753	8/15/62	Francine
32449	509	No date	RON HIL Plainview, (no state)
32695 /	1154	5/3/63	Country Squire Drive-In Cleaners. In addition, the name Meadowlark is also noted.
33495	1106	10/27/68	New-Clear

Mr. BROTON further advised that these machines may have been installed by Delta Cleaners and Equipment Company, 875 Prospect Avenue, Westbury, Long Island, who installed the majority of the machines for Pantex-Prosperity. He stated however that Delta Cleaners and Equipment Company is believed to be now out of business or in bankruptcy and those records particularly those prior to 1962 may not be available.

Mr. BROTON further suggested that if none of these avenues disclosed the locations of these machines, he suggested contact with ANDY DOBOS, 301 Fycke Lane, Teaneck, New Jersey, the Textile Marking Machine Company repairman who did the majority of repair work on machines installed by Pantex-Prosperity.

LEADS:

NEWARK DIVISION

AT RUTHERFORD, NEW JERSEY:

Will contact the identified individuals of the Pantex-Prosperity Division at 4 Station Square, and determine if the company identified any purchases made and their location established. If this information is available, will notify the offices where the companies are located to conduct investigation requested by Memphis airtel to All Continental Offices dated 4/19/68, with respect to the Thermo-Seal Textile Marking Machine Company Units which are listed on page 25 of that serial as being shipped to the Pantex-Prosperity Company, South Portland.

NEW YORK DIVISION

AT NEW YORK CITY, NEW YORK:

Will contact Budget Cleaners, 45 Avenue B, to determine if a Thermo-Seal Textile Marking Machine Unit is located there; and if so, conduct investigation requested in Memphis airtel to All Continental Offices dated 4/19/68.

AT GREAT NECK AND ST. ALBANS, NEW YORK:

Will contact New Clear Companies to determine if a Thermo-Seal Textile Marking Machine Unit is located there; and if so, conduct investigation requested in Memphis airtel to All Continental Offices dated 4/19/68.

BOSTON DIVISION

AT PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND:

Will contact Miss GALLAGHER or MANNIE OLIVER at the office of MAX WINOGRAD, Referee in Bankruptcy, and Trustee for the AMETEK Corporation Hospital Trust Building, Providence, Rhode Island, and determine if they are able to furnish any information from a review of the records through which the whereabouts of Thermo-Seal, Textile Marking Machine Company Units

bear Serial Numbers 32146, 32151, 31992, 31430, 31437, 31331, and 31656. If so, will locate the whereabouts of these machines and conduct the investigation requested in Memphis airtel to All Continental Offices dated 4/19/68.

To:

SAC's, Atlanta (44-2386) - Enc. (2)

Memphis (44-1987)

From:

Director, FBI (44-38861)

MURKIN

Re Atlanta airtels 5-2-68, submitting a matchbook and a Hertz rental agreement, Q311, for examination.

No latent impressions of value found or developed on the matchbook or rental agreement, which are enclosed to Atlanta.

Results of laboratory examination of the rental agreement furnished separately.

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To: SAC's Atlanta (44-2386) - Enclosures (19)

Memphis (44-1987)

From: Director, FBI (44-28861)

MURKIN

Re Atlanta letter 5/2/68, submitting nineteen dards bearing forty-one transparent lifts of latent impressions from the files of the Gwinnett County Police Department, Lawrenceville, Georgia, for examination.

The latent impressions appearing on these lifts are not identical with the fingerprints of James Earl Ray, FBI #405942G.

The cards bearing the lifts are enclosed to Atlanta. These latent prints have not been photographed.

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BAC's New York (44-1809) Mezaphia (44-1807)

From:

Director, FBI (44-58861)

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Be New York atriel of \$/4/08, sebmitting an undated coupon of the Medaga Photo Buckstore and a letter dated 9/26/67 from Eric S. Gait, for examination.

One latest print of value was developed on the coupen, which bears the name and address "Eric S. Gait, 2006 Highland Avenue, Birmingham, Alabama." This latest print is identical with the left thumb print of James Earl Ray, FBI 14050433. No latest impressions developed on the letter.

Result of laboratory examination and disposition of submitted items furnished separately.

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To: SAC's, Los Angeles (44-1574) - Enclosures (2) Memphis (44-1987)

From: Director, FBI (44-38861)

MURKIN

Re Los Angeles airtel 4/26/68, submitting an envelope, Q300, addressed to the "Editor, Citizens News," and accompanying clipping, Q301, for examination.

One latent fingerprint of value was developed on the envelope. No latent impressions of value developed on the clipping. Latent fingerprint on the envelope is not identical with the fingerprints of James Earl Ray, FBI #405942G, SA Theodore J. A'Hearn, or with the latent fingerprints previously reported in this case.

Envelope and clipping enclosed to Los Angeles.

Laboratory reporting separately.

To: SAC, Buffalo (44-374)
From: Director, FBI (44-38861)
MURKIN

ReButel dated 5/7/68.

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Referenced communication indicates that a review of 6,000 warranties for concerned projector failed to reflect any information for subject or his known aliases.

According to officials of Eastman Kodak Company a review of the repair records could be made, however, this would involve quite a lengthy checking procedure.

You should recontact the company officials to determine if stop can be placed with them regarding future equipment repairs.

Armed and dangerous.

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	The Bureau has designated Memphis as office of origin in this case.
Jackson, Offices a not as ar offices d	You were previously advised that leads in this Top Ten Fugitive case handled within 24 hours. The Atlanta, Birmingham, Chicago, Houston, Kansas City, Los Angeles, New Orleans, St. Louis, and Springfield are to prepare the results of their investigation to date in report form, insert. At such time as the amount of investigation in these field oes not appear to warrant individual reports, advise the Bureau and origin that inserts being prepared in future in lieu of reports, UACB.
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TO: DIRECTOR, PBI

FROM: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987) P

MURKIN

Submitted herewith for the Bureau's information are five Xerox copies of the three letters and envelopes received by the Memphis Police Department. These letters are dated April 23, 1968; April 25, 1968; and May 2, 1968. All envelopes are postmarked at Hamilton, Ontario. All letters are signed by the initial "Y" and all are on what appears to be graph paper. They give every indication of having been prepared by the same individual.

It is requested that the Bureau forward copies of these letters to the Legat, Canada, for his assistance in conducting investigation which may identify the sender of these letters.

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