





UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Memphis, Tennessee August 28, 1978

RE: ASSASSINATION OF DR. MARTIN LUTHER

KING, JR., APRIL 4, 1968,

MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE

CIVIL RIGHTS

On August 22, 1978, Captain Thomas H. Smith, Homicide Bureau, Memphis Police Department, Memphis, Tennessee, telephonically contacted the Memphis Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) and advised he had received two letters regarding the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., which he wished to make available to the FBI. Captain Smith furnished the following information:

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Captain THOMAS H. SMITH, Homicide Bureau, Memphis Police Department, Memphis, Tennessee, furnished xerox copies of two letters sent to the Memphis Police Department from Lewiston, Idaho. The letters, which were sent in the same envelope, are as follows:

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Roy G. Harly Ben. Del. Lewiston, Idaho 83501

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Chug. 17, 1778. Police Dept. menyshis, Joun, Wear Sir Riman who reportedly went by the name of Ravelded at 320 hW/ Thave, miami, Filorida The story as I learned it - Room had a lump on the side of his face and it disappeared, Other Termants of the hotel advised him John it checked, first, but he paid no attention and Amoved to the right side of his necky, He was informed that it wascancer and he had requested the Va take care of him. The Va could Holo a righthing. The died in late summer of 1977 min his room at that address, Signed Roy B. Kings Gen. Del. Terviston, Idaho 8350/

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TO:

DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM:

SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987-SUB M) (P)

SUBJECT:

MURKIN

Enclosed for the Bureau are four copies of an LHM dated as above and captioned as "ASSASSINATION OF DR, MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., APRIL 4, 1968, MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE; CIVIL RIGHTS.

The Memphis Office does not contemplate any investigation regarding information set forth in LHM UACB. Copies of this LHM are being furnished to the Butte and Miami Offices for information since it contains information relating to areas covered by those divisions.

The Memphis file is being maintained in a pending status to handle investigation in the MURKIN case not related to the subject matter set forth in the enclosed LHM.

A copy of enclosed LHM is being forwarded to USA, Memphis. Tenn.

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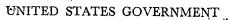
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SAC, MIAMI (44-3590) (P)

DATE: 1/24/79

FROM

SUPERVISOR JOSEPH C. BALL

SUBJECT:

MURKIN

On 1/24/79, AUSA IAN M. COMISKY advised that Inmate MERAMI, Dade County Jail, claims he can identify MARTIN LUTHER KING's "second killer" and would like to talk with an FBI Agent re this.

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At Miami, Florida

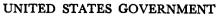
Contact Inmate HERAMI in Dade County Jail.

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FROM:

:SA MICHAEL F. HUTTER

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Rememo of Supervisor JOSEPH C. BALL, 1/24/79.

This case was reopened as an inmate at the Dade County Jail, EDWARD HARAMY, claimed that he could identify the "second killer" of KING.

Subsequent investigation has determined that THOMAS RICHARD D'AMURA, a cellmate of HARAMY, was the possessor of information about an assassination. This information did not relate to the assassination of KING but to the assassination of President JOHN F. KENNEDY.

D'AMURA was subsequently interviewed and this interview is being recorded on an FD-302. Copies of this FD-302 will subsequently be forwarded to the Bureau and Dallas by airtel cover.

It is recommended that this case be closed administratively and MM File# 89-35 (main file re assassination of KENNEDY) be reopened and assigned to the writer for the purpose of submitting D'AMURA's information to the Bureau and Dallas.

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