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(Type in plain text or code)Via AIRTEL \_\_\_\_\_  
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TO : ALL CONTINENTAL OFFICES  
 FROM : SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987) (P)  
 SUBJECT: MURKIN  
 CIVIL RIGHTS 44-561  
 (OO: ME)

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- 2 - All Continental Offices SI
- 2 - Memphis

GMR:jms (118)

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (44-1609)

SUBJECT: MURKIN *44-561*  
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(OO: MEMPHIS)

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*44-561-204*

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*Minuteman*  
*Lead Person*  
*Case @ Robert*

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NY 44-1609

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The reporter for the article was WILL JARVIS, last known address and telephone number, Bronxville, New York, PE 8-0715. The photographer was CARL IWASAKI, 1465 Monroe Street, Denver, Colorado, telephone #Dexter 3-1290.

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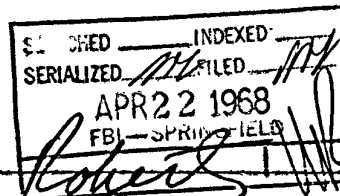
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Investigation at Memphis disclosed that an individual had purchased a set of binoculars at the York Arms Company in Memphis on 4/4/68. These binoculars were among the material abandoned with the rifle and recovered in Memphis. Also recovered was a brown and green herringbone bedspread. The items abandoned in Memphis were all wrapped in this bedspread. The blue bag which was inside the bedspread contained numerous items, among which were the binoculars and a set of underwear consisting of a T-shirt and shorts. The T-shirt and shorts are those on which appears the laundry mark which has been a matter of interest in this case.

A search of motel records in the Memphis area disclosed that an individual using the name ERIC S. GALT had spent the night of 4/3/68 at the Rebel Motel, Memphis, Tennessee, and was driving a 1966 white Mustang bearing Alabama License 1-38993. Investigation at Birmingham disclosed that this automobile had been purchased by ERIC S. GALT on August 30, 1968, from a private person in response to a newspaper ad. He paid a total of \$1995 cash. While in Birmingham he furnished the address of 2608 South Highland Avenue, Birmingham. This is also the address which appeared on a driver's license issued to him by the State of Alabama. The driver's license identifying data listed his birth date as [REDACTED] his height as 5'11", his weight as 170 and his eyes blue and hair brown.

The automobile in question, the white Mustang bearing the Alabama tags mentioned above, was recovered in Atlanta on 4/11/68 and determined to have been abandoned there prior to 9 a.m. on 4/5/68.

In connection with the evidence submitted by Atlanta, Birmingham, and Memphis, identifiable latent prints were recovered. It was on the basis of these latents that identification was made of JAMES EARL RAY. In handling future leads, all offices should be particularly interested in securing an identifying number, military, police, or FBI, in connection with suspects so that the necessary check can be made through the Identification Division.

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SUBJECT: MURKIN - COST DATA *44-561*

ReButel to ME 4/17/68.

For information of all offices, the Bureau by retel requested of the Memphis Division as follows:

"Please furnish following information on above matter compiled or estimated through 4/30/68, and thereafter submit cumulative totals through the end of each month until further notice:

- 1) Number of man hours spent on case broken down as to regular hours, overtime hours, and total man hours by following employees (separate figures for each class of employees shown):
  - A. Special Agents
  - B. Clerical Employees
- 2) Total mileage (estimated or actual) traveled by Bucars used on case. Include mileage for cars traveling to and from other field offices on special assignment and any personally-owned cars.
- 3) Any unusual or out-of-ordinary costs, such as cost of chartering airplane, rental of special office space, leased telephone lines, etc. These should be itemized and cost of each item shown.

① - Each Office  
2 - Memphis

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Approved: *R.G. Jensen*

Special Agent in Charge

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- 4) Peak number of Special Agents working on case during month for which report is submitted.

You should promptly request all Bureau offices involved in this case to furnish information requested herein to you and it should be included in your report."

Each office is requested to expeditiously furnish the Memphis Division with the above designated data within two work days after the close of each month. Secondly, each office is also requested to advise the Memphis Division even in the event each category is zero or no work is performed on this case during the month.

### INSTRUCTIONS

1. This form may be submitted in legible HAND PRINTING.
2. Use separate form for each person on whom record is requested.
3. Date & place of birth imperative for passport check.
4. Do not use lower right corner.
5. Indicate office for reply in lower left corner. Also list in same corner all offices which should receive copies of reply. Include carbon for each office receiving copies.
6. With regard to military records this form does not apply to deserters.

TO: SAC, ☐ St. Louis ☐ Denver ☐ INS ☐ MVB  
☐ WFO ☒ **SPRINGFIELD** ☐ MILITARY  
☐ San Antonio ☐ PASSPORT ☐ Other

Date

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TITLE:

MURKIN  
RM

Check above-indicated records re:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

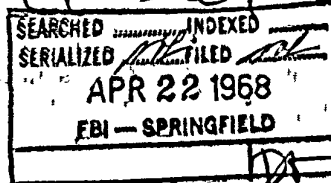
Aliases: \_\_\_\_\_

Alien Reg. # \_\_\_\_\_ Passport # \_\_\_\_\_ Service # \_\_\_\_\_

Sex	Race	Height	Weight	Hair	Eyes	Complexion

Birth Date	Birthplace	Address

Other pertinent information:



Specific information desired:

Registration of 1968 Illinois Licenses LT7773 and AW1848.

Also furnish: ☐ Photo  
☐ Handwriting specimens

Return reply to:

SAC CHICAGO TELEPHONICALLY

Attention SA G-1 Section

Send copies to:

#### FOR REPLY ONLY

☐ On basis of information furnished; unable to identify:

☐ Military ☐ Passport ☐ INS  
☐ Available information attached  
☐ Photo: ☐ Attached ☐ Unavailable  
☐ Handwriting specimen attached

Inquiry made by:

Billy G. Olenski

Date: 4/22/68

OVER

JAMES -TABOR, Supervisor, Auto Registration Section, Secretary of State, Springfield, Illinois advised on 4/22/68 that 1968 Illinois License LT 7773 issued February 15, 1968 to JERROLD & SANDRA HURST, 1860 Aycliff Court, Apt 302, Joliet, Illinois for 1966 Pontiac Coupe, VIN 252376X154109. No Driver License reflected on Application. SSN listed as [REDACTED]

1968 Illinois License AW 1848 issued to BRIGANCE LEASING CORP., c/o R. BERNARD, 25 Chicago Avenue, Oak Park, Illinois for 1968 Chevrolet 4dr SW.

GENEVA JONES, Supervisor, Driver License Section, Secretary of State, Springfield advised on 4/22/68 that DL# [REDACTED] issued 11/3/65 to JERROLD C. HURST, 112 Enwood, Joliet, Illinois. This License expires 4/29/69 and describes him as 6'3", 185 lbs, Brown Hair, Blue Eyes, DOB [REDACTED]

DL# [REDACTED] issued 9/22/67 to SANDRA LEE HURST, 1860 Aycliff, Joliet, Illinois. This license expires 10/16/70 and describes her as 5'4", 130 lbs, brown hair, green eyes, DOB [REDACTED]

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TO DIRECTOR, ATLANTA, BIRMINGHAM, CINCINNATI, LOUISVILLE, ST.  
LOUIS, AND SPRINGFIELD  
FROM MEMPHIS (44-1987) 1P

THIS DATE, FOLLOWING SPECIAL PERSONNEL RELEASED MEMPHIS  
DIVISION AND EN ROUTE THEIR OWN OFFICES\* SA O. JAMES HOLBROOK,  
LOUISVILLE; SA JAMES J. STANTON, LOUISVILLE; SA CHARLES L. LUTES,  
LOUISVILLE; STENOGRAPHER BETTYE B. STARK, LOUISVILLE; SA THOMAS L.  
BUCKLEY, ST. LOUIS; SA SHIELDS W. SMITH, CINCINNATI; SA  
EDWARD M. QUINN, CINCINNATI; STENOGRAPHER JEAN M. SAHND,  
CINCINNATI; SA W. J. BILLEAUD, SPRINGFIELD.

REMAINDER OF PERSONNEL IN MEMPHIS ON SPECIAL ASSIGNMENT  
WILL BE RELEASED AS QUICKLY AS ALL CURRENT WORK ASSIGNED CAN  
BE CLEARED BY THEM. ANTICIPATED ALL PERSONNEL ON SPECIAL  
ASSIGNMENT WILL HAVE DEPARTED MEMPHIS DIVISION EARLY NEXT WEEK.

NUMEROUS LEADS RECEIVED DURING DAY RE LOOK ALIKES ALL  
ELIMINATED ON BASIS OF DATA KNOWN TO MEMPHIS.

OF POSSIBLE INTEREST, TO DATE, MEMPHIS DIVISION HAS RECEIVED  
NO PERTINENT INFORMATION RE MURDER OF DR. KING FROM NEGRO  
COMMUNITY IN MEMPHIS.

INVESTIGATION CONTINUING MEMPHIS DIVISION.

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JAMES EARL RAY, aka -  
FUGITIVE  
UFAC - ROBBERY  
(OO: KANSAS CITY)

Re San Francisco teletype to Bureau, 4/19/68.

Enclosed for each, Memphis, Atlanta, Chicago, Birmingham, and San Francisco, are 2 photographs of WALTER TERRY RIFE, FBI #455 8766.

Photograph of JAMES EARL RAY, dated 7/8/55, forwarded early this date AMSD to San Francisco by Routing Slip.

The attached photographs of WALTER TERRY RIFE should be used to further eliminate RIFE as suspect in MURKIN. Numerous individuals verify RIFE as working long hours at his restaurant during each date of pertinent period.

RIFE continues to reside at 214 Lind Street, Quincy, Illinois, and has stated he will be immediately available for future interviews. He has shown a very cooperative attitude.

RAY SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND EXTREMELY DANGEROUS.

- 3 - Bureau (44-38861)
- 2 - Memphis (44-1987) (Enc. 2)
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- 2 - Birmingham (Enc. 2)
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)  
FROM: SAC, SPRINGFIELD (44-561) -P-  
SUBJECT: MURKIN

JAMES EARL RAY, aka -  
FUGITIVE  
UFAC - ROBBERY  
(OO: KANSAS CITY)

Re San Francisco teletype to Bureau, 4/19/68.

Enclosed for each, Memphis, Atlanta, Chicago, Birmingham, and San Francisco, are 2 photographs of WALTER TERRY RIFE, FBI #455 8766.

Photograph of JAMES EARL RAY, dated 7/8/55, forwarded early this date AMSD to San Francisco by Routing Slip.

The attached photographs of WALTER TERRY RIFE should be used to further eliminate RIFE as suspect in MURKIN. Numerous individuals verify RIFE as working long hours at his restaurant during each date of pertinent period.

RIFE continues to reside at 214 Lind Street, Quincy, Illinois, and has stated he will be immediately available for future interviews. He has shown a very cooperative attitude.

RAY SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND EXTREMELY DANGEROUS.

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AIR MAIL

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FROM: SAC, SPRINGFIELD (44-561) (P)

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Re Springfield telephone call to Bureau dated 4/19/68.

Re: PAUL STANLEY BOOTHBY  
Suspect  
Clinton, Illinois

On 4/19/68, Sheriff CLAUDE BARRETT, DeWitt County Sheriff's Office, Clinton, Illinois, advised FBI, Springfield, Illinois, that he had in custody one PAUL STANLEY BOOTHBY who had been arrested by the DeWitt County Sheriff's Office authorities at Clinton, Illinois. Subject had been riding a freight train from Springfield, Illinois to Clinton, Illinois, illegally and was arrested on local charges. BARRETT advised that subject resembled JAMES EARL RAY, also known as ERIC STARVO GALT.

Subject PAUL STANLEY BOOTHBY was fingerprinted by DeWitt County Sheriff's Office and was interviewed by FBI Agents in Clinton, Illinois, at DeWitt County Jail.

During interview, subject advised that he was in Memphis, Tennessee, on 4/8/68 through 4/12/68. He stated that he had left Chicago, Illinois on the 7th of April by freight train en route to Memphis to sell a pint of his blood for \$15.00. Subject advised that he had traveled throughout the United States by hopping freight trains and he had so done this for the past two years and had worked in many states doing odd jobs. Subject advised that he was in Chicago on 4/4/68 where he worked for Help Unlimited Corporation. Subject advised that while he was in Memphis, Tennessee, he resided at the Mission at Lenden and -2nd Street. Subject advised that he had no information re the death of MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. nor did he know of anyone who might have participated in the killing.

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HEIGHT:	5'10"
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TO : SAC, SPRINGFIELD (44-561)

DATE: 4/20/68

FROM : ~~ASAC~~, SULLIVAN (P)

SUBJECT: MURKIN  
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On 4/20/68, SAC TROY COLEMAN telephonically contacted the Springfield Division concerning captioned matter, which has received nationwide publicity. Mr. COLEMAN instructed that all possible leads to locate and apprehend JAMES EARL RAY be exhausted, that sufficient man power be assigned to this case to secure the Bureau's interest and to quickly apprehend this most dangerous fugitive. Mr. COLEMAN instructed that leads in this matter receive the constant personal supervision of the ASAC and that he be apprised of any outstanding developments in this matter.

In the event his presence is required in the Springfield Division prior to the completion of his annual leave, he should be contacted telephonically and furnished the facts.

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TO : SAC, CHICAGO (44-1114)

FROM : ASAC, SPRINGFIELD (44-561)

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 4/19/68

ASAC DONALD T. SULLIVAN, Springfield Office, telephonically advised that the names and aliases of the nationwide press release on JAMES EARL RAY have been checked through the Drivers' License Records and Motor Vehicle Bureau records at Springfield, Illinois. The Driver's License Records have not been completely checked as yet and results are unavailable; however, IC JOSEPH HAMMITT provided the following information from Motor Vehicle Bureau records:

1967 Illinois license NG 7263, issued 2/14/67 to JAMES E. RAY, 935 Sheridan Road, Apartment 3, Winthrop Harbor, Illinois, for 1963 Rambler 4-door, VIN Z113034, no driver's or chauffeur's license number given.

1967 Illinois license LX 4349, issued 5/24/67 to JAMES EARL RAY, 615 North Water Street, South Elgin, Illinois, on 1958 Pontiac 4-door, VIN P858H7576. This application reflects Arkansas driver's license number [REDACTED]

1967 Illinois license EN-159, issued 1/24/67 to JAMES E. RAY, 1229 Gages Lake Road, Wildwood, Illinois, on 1966 Chrysler 2-door hardtop, VIN 6L23G63177997, no driver's or chauffeur's license number given.

1967 Illinois license DH 2896, issued 2/1/67 to JAMES MC BRIDE, 922 West 50th Street, Chicago, on 1965 Chevelle sedan, VIN 135375K139751, no driver's or chauffeur's license number given.

1967 Illinois license KL-4520, issued 2/15/67 to JAMES WALTON, 1940 South Ridgeway, Chicago, on 1965 Buick 2-door Sport Coupe, VIN 464375X129278, no driver's or chauffeur's license number given.

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1967 Illinois license 878-337, issued 12/30/66 to JAMES and/or JEAN WALTON, 3911 West Gladys, Chicago, Illinois, on 1967 Ford Station Wagon, VIN 7K12T158634, no driver's or chauffeur's license number given.

1967 Illinois license CJ 5679, issued 1/21/67 to JAMES WALTON, 1515 North Rockwell, Chicago, on 1961 Chrysler Coupe, VIN 8113173596, no driver's or chauffeur's license number given.

1968 Illinois license 645 151, issued 12/27/67 to W. C. HERRON, 2716 Illinois Avenue, East St. Louis, Illinois, on 1966 Cadillac Sedan de Ville, VIN B61H2519, Chauffeur's license number [REDACTED]

1968 Illinois license SD-1645, issued 2/21/68 to W. C. HERRON, 2716 Illinois Avenue, East St. Louis, Illinois, for 1960 Studebaker 4-door, VIN 601524723. Illinois driver's license [REDACTED]

1967 Illinois license HV-695, issued 2/14/67 to JAMES D. O'CONNOR, 6417 South Maplewood, Chicago, on 1966 Mercury Comet 2-door, VIN 6H23T635858, no driver's or chauffeur's license number given.

1967 Illinois license AD 9545, issued 5/5/67 to JAMES O'CONNOR, 4219 North Mamora, Chicago, on 1967 Volkswagen sedan, VIN 1170436994, driver's or chauffeur's license [REDACTED]

1967 Illinois license LN-205, issued 7/5/67, to JAMES C. O'CONNOR, 422 Larkdale Lane, Mount Prospect, Illinois, on 1965 Mercury Station Wagon, VIN 5Z72Y578002, no driver's or chauffeur's license number given.

1967 Illinois license PR 8185, issued 5/22/67 to JAMES O'CONNOR, 145 West 115th Street, Chicago, on 1962 Oldsmobile 4-door, VIN 628M02939, no driver's or chauffeur's license number given.

A check of Motor Vehicle Bureau records for 1967 or 1968 failed to reflect any vehicles registered or titled to a WALTER TERRY RIFE.

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FROM: SAC, SPRINGFIELD (44-561)

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TO ALL SACS RELAY MESSAGE PLAN  
FROM DIRECTOR 44-38861 1P

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DISTRIBUTE SUFFICIENT QUANTITIES OF WANTED FLYERS AND IO'S TO NARCOTIC INVESTIGATIVE AGENCIES IN ORDER THAT THEIR INFORMANTS MAY BE CONTACTED. YOU SHOULD CONTACT ALL CRIMINAL INFORMANTS AND APPROPRIATE RACIAL AND SECURITY INFORMANTS. LEGATS OTTAWA AND MEXICO CITY BEING ADVISED SEPARATELY.

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*Advise all agents*



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# Memorandum

TO : SAC (44-561)

DATE: 4/22/68

FROM : ASAC SULLIVAN

SUBJECT: MURKIN

On 4/22/68 SA RENEE DUMANE, Chicago Office, telephonically contacted Springfield concerning captioned matter and advised Chicago has been in contact with JAMES RAY's sister, SUSIE, who is a go-go dancer in the Chicago area. SUSIE stated she did not have any current information concerning MAX (LNU), the youngest son of the family, but she believed some information could be obtained from the Catholic Childrens' Home, 1400 State Street, Alton, Illinois, where she and MAX lived for about 8 years, or from HAZEL HAMILTON, Catholic Charities worker, Quincy, Illinois, who was interested in the family. DUMANE stated subject's sister SUSIE maintained that the uncle, WILLIAM MAHER, still resides at Alton, Illinois, although she could not give any date as to current status of this information. She maintained that WILLIAM H. MAHER is the only individual who kept in touch with another brother of subject, JOHN RAY, whose whereabouts have still not been established.

Subsequently, ASAC KYLE CLARKE, Chicago, contacted Springfield Division and advised his office has been interviewing JERRY RAY, a brother of subject who is currently residing in the Chicago area. JERRY, likewise, maintained that information Springfield Division has developed indicating uncle WILLIAM MAHER is either deceased or in the San Francisco area, is not accurate. JERRY stated that as of about 1½ years ago, WILLIAM MAHER resided at 118 East 7th St., Alton, Illinois, where he is engaged as a painting contractor. JERRY claims he himself has hidden out with this uncle at Alton when he, JERRY, was in trouble, and that this uncle is the first individual to whom subject RAY would go to since he feels certain the uncle would hide him out and he is not so close to the uncle that he would feel bad about uncler if he were involved in a harboring violation.

Above information telephonically relayed to SAs ROBERT C. HAINES and ELYON H. DAVIS.

SA HAINES advised his investigation has determined

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The brother who is believed to be deceased, FRANKLIN DELANO "BUZZIE" RYAN, who was born [REDACTED] entered the St. James Trade School, Springfield, Illinois, 7/14/58. FRANKLIN is believed deceased; however, his background should be checked out fully for residence addresses, names of relatives, etc., which might lead to establishing full background of this disintegrated family and assist in locating subject.

SA HAINES advised that subject's mother, who was variously known as LUCILLE, LUCY and CATHERINE MAHER RYAN, was married to GERALD RYAN of Quincy, Illinois, but since both of them were extremely heavy drinkers, this marriage broke up at which time the children became wards of the court. The mother allegedly died 1/26/61.

Appropriate inquiries should be instituted by SA JOSEPH F. GIGLIO at [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

SA ROBERT BLUM RASCOE, at Springfield, Illinois, should contact St. James Trade School, Springfield, concerning FRANKLIN DELANO "BUZZIE" RYAN or RAY, for the same information.

SA ELYON H. DAVIS should develop information re GERALD RYAN, second husband of subject's mother, and attempt to locate GERALD RYAN.

*Elyon H. Davis*  
SA ROBERT C. HAINES should attempt to develop whereabouts of subject's uncle, WILLIAM MAHER at Quincy, Illinois. If located, advise office since this may result in an apprehension situation. *atton*

JAMES EARL RAY ARMED AND EXTREMELY DANGEROUS.

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SUBJECT: MURKIN

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*Robert*

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JAMES EARL RAY ARMED AND EXTREMELY DANGEROUS.

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TO : SAC (44-561)

DATE: 4/12/68

FROM : SA Arthur Lee Woods

SUBJECT: MURKIN

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The following listed Financial Institutions were contacted on 4/10/68 with Negative results concerning Eric Starvo Galt.

The First National Bank of Clifton, Clifton Illinois  
Chester W. Reid, Cashier.

Iroquois Farmers State Bank, Iroquois, Illinois  
V. D. Strand V. P. + Cashier

Farmers State Bank of Danforth, Danforth, Ill  
Alvin J. Welken

The First National Bank of Gilman, Gilman, Ill,  
J. M. Forrest, Cashier.

Onarga State Bank, Onarga, Ill  
Joyce Bork, Asst Cashier

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