

Date April 12, 1968

DEWEY A. WIGGINS, District Passenger Sales Manager, Illinois Central Railroad, who resides at 1473 Catalina Street, Memphis, Tennessee, was interviewed at his office, 808 Central Station, Memphis, Tennessee. He was advised that he did not have to furnish any information, that he had the right to consult with an attorney before he furnished any information and that any information he did furnish could be used against him in a court of law. He was furnished a form entitled "Your Rights," which he signed. WIGGINS furnished the following information:

On Thursday morning April 4, 1968, he heard someone in his office, whose identity he could not recall, say that the newspaper contained an item indicating that MARTIN LUTHER KING had eaten the day before at the Lorraine Motel, Memphis, Tennessee. Later that day he recalled overhearing someone in his office say that MARTIN LUTHER KING was staying at the Admiral Benbow Motel, located on Union Avenue, Memphis. These are the only instances WIGGINS recalled hearing anyone mention KING's movements or whereabouts in Memphis.

WIGGINS stated that he did not discuss or ask any questions concerning KING's movements or whereabouts while he was in Memphis. The only comments he recalled hearing were the ones mentioned above and he heard these within the confines of his office. He never discussed MARTIN LUTHER KING with anyone outside his office other than his wife.

WIGGINS stated that he never had any respect for MARTIN LUTHER KING because he believes KING was a communist. However, he stated he had no desire to have anyone, including MARTIN LUTHER KING, killed because he realizes that is wrong.

WIGGINS stated he has no idea who reported that he made comments or asked questions concerning KING's whereabouts or movements in Memphis. He stated that he definitely did not ask such questions and that he never questioned anyone about the layout of the Lorraine Motel. He also stated he has made no inquiry concerning the quality of the food at the Lorraine Motel.

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WIGGINS stated he has no knowledge concerning KING's death other than the information he has read in newspapers and heard on radio and television. He indicated that should he receive any information concerning KING's death he will immediately contact the FBI.

The following description of WIGGINS was obtained by observation and interrogation:

Name	DEWEY A. WIGGINS
Race	White
Sex	Male
Date of Birth	September 5, 1924
Place of Birth	Jamestown, Louisiana
Height	5'11"
Weight	145 pounds
Hair	Brown
Eyes	Blue
Complexion	Ruddy
Scars	Appendectomy scar, circular scar right side of back due to shingles.