

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1897)

DATE: 4/11/68

FROM : SA JOE W. PHILLIPS

SUBJECT: MURKIN

At 9:30 AM, 4/11/68, Mr. J. H. COFFEE, owner Coffee Upholstering Shop, 7898 Raleigh-Millington Road, Millington, Tennessee, advised he observed a artist conception drawing of the suspect in the murder of Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., in a local Memphis newspaper shortly after the murder. He said he has not called earlier because he felt authorities had a good suspect and he did not desire to cloud the issue.

Mr. COFFEE advised the artist conception drawing looks very much like one (FNU) CRAVENS who is with Cravens Fabrics and Supply Company, Little Rock, Arkansas. He said (FNU) CRAVENS is tall, about 6'0", has a slender build, and has a long thin nose like the drawing. He said CRAVENS has receding hair, and for that reason it is hard to estimate his age, however, he feels CRAVENS is age between 30 and 40 years. He could not recall the color of CRAVENS hair, but he feels it is light colored. He said CRAVENS, as a fabrics salesman, visits him about every three or four months, and CRAVENS drives a light colored automobile, not a Ford Mustang. From CRAVENS conversations he feels he is married and has children.

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AT MILLINGTON, TENNESSEE: Mr. J. H. COFFEE,  
7898 Raleigh-Millington Road, should be personally contacted  
and shown more recent artist conception drawings of UNSUB  
this case, thereafter lead should be set out for Little Rock  
to develop background information concerning (FNU) CRAVENS.