

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, MEMPHIS

DATE: 3/26/69

FROM : SAC, ANCHORAGE (157-37)

SUBJECT: MURKIN

On 3/25/69, [REDACTED] age 63, who formerly operated [REDACTED] Memphis, and who resided at [REDACTED] advised she felt that one ROY ESPEY, who owns or owned a building at 417 St. Martin, could be involved in the assassination of Dr. KING. [REDACTED] based her feeling on the fact that ESPEY owned the above building which she said was across the street from the Lorraine Motel and that ESPEY once lived in a small rooming house in the neighborhood, possibly the same building from which the shot was fired.

[REDACTED] stated that ESPEY had "taken her" in a business deal in 1964 and she felt that any person who would take advantage of a woman in that manner would do anything. [REDACTED] emphasized that she had not been in Memphis for three years and did not know that ESPEY was still there.

[REDACTED] requested that the foregoing information be furnished to SA JOHNSON, who she said would remember her.

[REDACTED] had a tendency to ramble on and on concerning her problems with ESPEY, the courts and her former husband, [REDACTED] and gave every indication of being mentally disturbed over her previous difficulties with ESPEY.

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