

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)(P*)

FROM : SC JOHN M. BOSWELL

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 11/30/76

On 11/29/76, this office was telephonically contacted by MARVIN MARSHALL, 2847 Raja Road, Apartment #1, Memphis, Tennessee, regarding captioned matter. MARSHALL stated he was prompted to call this office after reading news articles regarding the Senate investigation into this matter.

MARSHALL stated at approximately 8 p.m. the night KING was murdered, he observed an individual using the pay telephone at the Gulf Service Station on the corner of Jackson and Hollywood. According to MARSHALL, this individual, wearing glasses and a dark suit, bore a great resemblance to JAMES EARL RAY. MARSHALL did not hear any of the conversation and does not know who the individual resembling RAY was talking to.

MARSHALL feels this individual was RAY and involved in the murder of KING, along with the two white males who owned the Gulf Service Station. According to MARSHALL, the white males closed the Gulf Service Station a few weeks after KING's murder and opened another service station near the Holiday Inn Riverbluff. MARSHALL can not further identify these white males.

MARSHALL stated he had been afraid to furnish this information in the past and this has bothered him, and he has now decided to come forward.

MARSHALL advised he has no telephone and is a disabled veteran. MARSHALL can be contacted at the above address and is willing to furnish a signed statement.

The above information is furnished for the information of supervisory personnel for whatever action deemed appropriate.

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