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Date: 6/17/74

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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL
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TO: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)
FROM: SAC, KNOXVILLE (44-696) (RUC)
RE: MURKIN

Re Knoxville telephone call to Memphis, 6/17/74.

In the early A.M., 6/16/74, a Security Patrol Clerk of the Knoxville Office received a telephone call from an individual identifying himself only as JOHN TRAVERS, Chattanooga, Tennessee. This individual stated that earlier that evening he had overheard a man in a motel, not further identified, state that he was going to "bust" JAMES EARL RAY out of prison sometime the following week. The caller said that the person making such statement was unknown to him.

When pressed for an address or phone number where he could be contacted, the telephone caller refused and would not give any further details.

Knoxville indices negative concerning JOHN TRAVERS. Telephone and City Directories also negative re JOHN TRAVERS.

This is furnished for information of Memphis.

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