

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)

DATE: 5/24/68

FROM : SA PUEL P. JOHNSON

SUBJECT: MURKIN  
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Re Birmingham teletype to Memphis dated 5/14/68.

On 5/21/68 Inspector HIGGINS, U.S. Post Office, Memphis, Tennessee, advised that P.O. Box 4231 is rented by EVERETT SHANNON RAY, at the Crosstown Station. RAY resides at 128 North Cleveland, and has rented this box since April 8, 1968.

On 5/22/68 attempts to locate and interview RAY at 128 North Cleveland met with negative results.

On 5/23/68 RAY was interviewed at his residence. He furnished the following information:

He came to Memphis, Tennessee on 12/19/67 from Sioux City, Iowa. He is a welder by trade and drifts from one job to another. He has worked in practically every section of the United States. He drinks heavily and has been arrested 40 to 50 times for drunkenness. At the present time he is employed by Tennessee Fabricators, 2366 Prospect, Memphis.

EVERETT SHANNON RAY is described as follows:

|                |                                |
|----------------|--------------------------------|
| Race           | White                          |
| Sex            | Male                           |
| Birth data     | Born 6/22/23 at Memphis, Texas |
| Height         | 5'8"                           |
| Weight         | 140                            |
| Eyes           | Brown                          |
| Hair           | Iron gray                      |
| SSN            | [REDACTED]                     |
| Marital status | single - divorced              |

Based on difference in physical stature and general appearance it appears that EVERETT SHANNON RAY is not identical with JAMES EARL RAY. No further investigation contemplated.

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