

TO : SAC, WFO (44-703)

DATE: 4/10/68

FROM : SA ROBERT W. DAWSON

SUBJECT: MURKIN - CR

Above is caption of case relating to the assassination of Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, Jr. The Bureau has instructed that under no circumstances should anyone be told this investigation is in connection with captioned matter.

Rev. MARTIN LUTHER KING, Jr., was murdered at Memphis, Tennessee at about 6:03 p.m. on 4/4/68, by a single shot from a 30.06 rifle fired from a rooming house in the vicinity of KING's motel. KING was standing on a second floor deck at the time he was shot. The rifle and other items possessed by the killer who registered in the rooming house as JOHN WILLARD were abandoned at or near the rooming house. The killer is reported to have fled in a white Mustang automobile. The gun was purchased in Birmingham Alabama by a HARVEY LOWMEYER or LOWMYER.

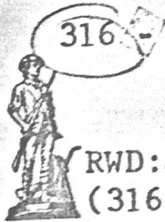
Investigation has disclosed one ERIC STARVO GALT was in Birmingham during the Fall of 1967 and was registered at a motel near Memphis the night before KING's murder. He reportedly resembles unknown subject in this matter.

Unknown subject is described as white male, age 26-32, 5'11", 160-170 pounds, medium build, dark brown or black hair comb straight back without a part.

WFO has been instructed to contact all criminal, security and racial informants with specific emphasis directed toward informants in known hate groups.

All Agents promptly contact all informants or potential informants and advise case Agent by r/s of negative results. Positive information should receive immediate and preferred handling, utilize teletypes.

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