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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
FROM: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987) (P)
SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Birmingham letter to Bureau, 6/3/70.

For the information of Birmingham, the subject has not exhausted all possibilities of appeal from his present sentence. However, if subject's appeals are successful, it will only mean that he will be given an opportunity to stand trial for KING's murder.

Since the subject is receiving free, or presumably free, legal assistance, it is anticipated that these appeals may continue for several years or longer.

Should the Department be agreeable to dismissing the Federal warrant now outstanding at Birmingham, Memphis has no objection as it sees little likelihood of RAY's being acquitted on state charges even if he is ever allowed to stand trial on these charges.

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