

More Leads Reported in King Slaying

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MEMPHIS (AP) — FBI agents have uncovered "very substantial" physical evidence as they work "around the clock pursuing every lead" in the search for Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s assassin, says Attorney General Ramsey Clark.

"The FBI is devoting every possible resource to this investigation," Clark said. "While it remains impossible to predict when the killer will be arrested, I remain hopeful that it will be soon."

A JUSTICE Department spokesman said the statement, issued in Washington last night, Clark's first public pronouncement on the case in five days, was in response to newsmen's queries.

But Clark, like FBI officials, refused to answer newsmen's questions. "All I can say is no comment," said Robert Jensen, special agent in charge of the Memphis FBI office.

In New York, the Daily News reported today it had learned that the FBI had definitely established that the white Mustang sports car abandoned in Atlanta was the same car seen driving away from the murder scene after the assassination.

The Daily News said witnesses in Memphis gave investigators the license number of the car. It quoted unnamed sources as saying the plate numbers matched those of the car found in Atlanta. The FBI in Memphis said it had no comment on the report.

In Washington, Rep. Charles W. Whalen Jr., R-Ohio, said a welter of "premature and contradictory statements" was clouding the investigation and asked the FBI to "set the record straight."