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The prosecuting authorities for the state's case against James Earl Ray have requested that we ascertain the identity of the Negro males allegedly involved in the incident with James Earl Ray while Ray was drinking in a cafe with a Mexican prostitute in Puerto Vallarta. This is for the purpose of possibly establishing Ray's prior anti-Negro sentiments. According to Legat, Mexico, it was believed that the Negroes were from the cruise ship "Italia," however, our Los Angeles Office has been unable to locate any vessel sailing from that area that docked at Puerto Vallarta on or about 10-29-67.

Memphis is being advised that it would not be feasible to conduct any further investigation to identify the Negro members from the cruise ships docking in Puerto Vallarta.