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Memorandum

TO : ALL AGENTS

DATE: 5/29/68

FROM : SAC, BIRMINGHAM (44-1740) (P)

SUBJECT: MURKIN

The Bureau by communication dated 5/22/68 advised as follows pertaining to rewards offered:

> "In the event of inquiries regarding the identity of the sources of the reward money offered in the Murkin case, you may confidentially advise established sources that according to a compilation set forth in the April 27th edition of the 'Commercial Appeal,' Memphis, Tennessee, $25,000 each has been offered by the 'Commercial Appeal' and Scripps-Howard newspapers and that in addition, businessmen and citizens in Memphis have offered several thousands more and the Memphis City Council has underwritten the reward up to a total of $100,000."

In addition to information furnished all agents by memo 4/22/68 as to RAY's known locations at that time, there follows a summary of his whereabouts prior to disappearance in Atlanta on 4/5/68 as furnished by the Memphis Office:

Date	Miscellaneous	Place
4/23/67	Escape	Missouri State Penitentiary, Jefferson City, Missouri

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Date	Miscellaneous	Place
7/18/67	Markay Apts., $450 lease, 7/18/67 - 1/18/68, H. ROTHMAN, owner, $75 per month. GALT skipped out.	Montreal, Canada
7/26/67	Canadian Postal Money Order	Montreal, Canada
8/26/67	2608 Highland Avenue (rented room)	Birmingham, Alabama
8/28/68	Birmingham Trust National Bank (rented safety deposit box)	Birmingham, Alabama
8/29-30/67	Bought Mustang from WILLIAM D. PAISLEY	Birmingham, Alabama
9/12/67	Continental Dance Club Studio, aka Friendship Club	Birmingham, Alabama
10/3/67	Photographic Equipment to Galt (per records Superior Bulk Film Co., Chicago)	Birmingham, Alabama
10/4/67	Operator, rooming house (P. CHERPES) signed for package for GALT	Birmingham, Alabama
10/5/67	GALT typed letter from Birmingham Highland Avenue address returning camera to Chicago	Birmingham, Alabama
10/7/67	Approximate departure	Birmingham, Alabama
10/18/67	Letter from Film Company (above) returned to Chicago from Birmingham address	--

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Date	Miscellaneous	Place
10/19 - 11/16/67	Room 212, Motel Rio, Morelos 86	Puerto Villarta Jalisco, Mexico
10/22/67	Superior Bulk Film Co., Chicago, records show typed letter from GALT asking refund be sent Hotel Rio, Puerto Villarta, Jalisco, Mexico	
11/7-13/67	Hotel "Tropicana" (Rm.417)	Puerto Villarta
11/17/67 - 1/18/68	1535 North Serrano (Apt. 6)	Los Angeles, Calif.
11/20/67	Records Chicago Film Co. (above) show GALT asked refund be sent 1535 North Serrano	Los Angeles, Calif.
12/17-19/67	Provincial Motel (GALT)	New Orleans, La.
1/22 - 3/17/68	St. Francis Hotel, 5533 North Hollywood Blvd.	Los Angeles, Calif.
12/17 - 2/12/68	National Dance Studios	Los Angeles, Calif.
1/19 - 3/2/68	International School of Bartendering	Los Angeles, Calif.
3/24/68	113 14th Street, NE (rooming house): GALT last seen by landlord approximately 3/31/68	Atlanta, Georgia
3/29/30-68	Purchase of Weapon (HARVEY LOWMEYER), Aero-Marine Supply	Birmingham, Alabama
4/1/68	Piedmont Laundry (GALT) No starch in clothes	Atlanta, Georgia

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Date	Miscellaneous	Place
4/3/68	Rebel Motel (ERIC S. GALT); departed prior to 1:00 p.m., 4/4/68	Memphis, Tennessee
4/4/68	Rooming house (JOHN WILLARD), South Main Street, in about 3:00 p.m.	Memphis, Tennessee
4/5/68	Last seen a.m. of 4/5/68, Piedmont Laundry, parking Mustang	Atlanta, Georgia

For your further information, the Bureau advised by airtel 5/21/68 as follows:

"For your information and investigative assistance, subject JAMES EARL RAY has been known to consort with prostitutes and "street bums." A photograph of subject was obtained from a prostitute in Mexico. This photograph showing subject wearing sunglasses was previously forwarded to your office.

"This should be borne in mind in your daily contact with informants, officers of vice squads and prostitutes in covering leads in connection with this and other cases."

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