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TO DIRECTOR

FROM MEMPHIS (44-1987)

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THIS DATE SAC, MEMPHIS, CONTACTED BY [redacted] U.S. BUREAU OF PRISONS. INFORMATION SUBMITTED IN PREVIOUS MEMPHIS TELETYPE RE CONTACT WITH [redacted] THIS DATE ADVISED [redacted] IS WITH BUREAU OF PRISONS AND HAS BEEN ASSIGNED AT FEDERAL PRISON, MARION, ILLINOIS. [redacted] WILL BE ACTING IN LIAISON CAPACITY AND FURNISHING ASSISTANCE TO SHELBY COUNTY, TENN., SO WHO WILL BEAR RESPONSIBILITY OF SUBJECT RAY IN INSTANT CASE.

[redacted] ADVISED HE HAD HAD MEETINGS WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF SO, STATE ATTORNEY GENERAL CANALE, AND INTERESTED LOCAL JUDGES IN CONNECTION WITH HANDLING OF PRISONER. [redacted] SAID HE HAD SUBMITTED VARIOUS RECOMMENDATIONS BASED ON STANDARDS OF BUREAU OF PRISONS IN HANDLING PRISONERS OF PROMINENCE. HE INDICATED AMONG ITEMS DISCUSSED WERE THE HANDLING OF VOLUMES OF MAIL THAT PRISONER OF PROMINENCE WOULD PROBABLY RECEIVE, RESTRICTIONS OF VISITORS TO PRISONER, AND OTHER MISCELLANEOUS PROBLEMS SIMILAR TO THIS TYPE.

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HE STATED HE HAD MADE CERTAIN SUGGESTIONS FOR IMPROVING SECURITY AT THE SHELBY COUNTY.

[redacted] ADVISED THAT THE MATTERS WHICH HE HAD SUBMITTED IN THE FORM OF SUGGESTIONS TO LOCAL AUTHORITIES HAD BEEN DISCUSSED BY HIM WITH AAG FRED VINSON IN WASHINGTON, D.C. DURING COURSE OF CONVERSATION, [redacted] STATED AAG VINSON HAD TOLD HIM THAT IT APPEARED THAT THE EARLIEST ANY POSSIBLE ACTION MIGHT BE TAKEN INSOFAR AS EXTRADITION OF RAY FROM ENGLAND WOULD BE ON OR ABOUT JULY THIRTEEN, NEXT. [redacted] STATED HE THOUGHT AAG VINSON MIGHT BE OPTIMISTIC IN REGARD TO THIS DATE.

[redacted] ALSO STATED THAT EVALUATION OF PERSONNEL AT SHELBY COUNTY SO INDICATED THAT IT MIGHT BE ADVISABLE FOR ADDITIONAL PERSONNEL-TYPE INVESTIGATIONS TO BE CONDUCTED RE DUPUTIES WHO MIGHT BE ENTRUSTED TO CARE AND PROTECTION OF PRISONER RAY. HE MADE TENTATIVE INQUIRY AS TO POSSIBILITY OF FBI CONDUCTING SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS OF THIS TYPE. [redacted] WAS TOLD BY SAC THAT INVESTIGATIONS OF THIS TYPE WERE NOT CONDUCTED BY FBI. IT WAS SUGGESTED TO [redacted] THAT SINCE PRIME RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROTECTION OF THIS PRISONER RESTED WITH SO AND THAT THE STATE AG WOULD ALSO HAVE GREAT INTEREST IN CUSTODY OF PRISONER, CONSIDERATION MIGHT BE

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GIVEN TO HAVE STATE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE CONDUCT PERTINENT PERSONNEL INVESTIGATIONS FOR SO.

IN THIS CONNECTION, IT MIGHT BE NOTED THERE ARE TWO NATIONAL ACADEMY GRADUATES ASSIGNED TO STATE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE, [redacted] JOHN LEWIS CARLISLE AND EDWARD L. HUTCHINSON, JR.) INVESTIGATORS.

CLARK ALSO STATED THAT IN HIS DISCUSSION WITH AAG VINSON, VINSON TOLD HIM THAT HE HAD SEEN THE SUBJECT IN THE CELL IN THE BRITISH PRISON WHERE HE IS HELD. THE CELL WAS DESCRIBED AS BEING VERY BLEAK AND THE BED CONSISTED OF BEDDING STRETCHED OVER A BOARD WHICH SERVED AS THE BED IN THIS PARTICULAR CELL. ON SMALL SPIGOT WITH A RECEPTACLE SURROUNDING IT SAFISFIED THE PRISONER FROM THE STANDPOINT OF DRINKING WATER AND HIS USE IN CONNECTION WITH BODILY FUNCTIONS. [redacted] STATED THAT AAG VINSON ALSO TOLD HIM THERE WERE TWO CONSTABLES IN THE CELL WITH RAY AT ALL TIMES.

HE ALSO SAID THAT UNDER BRITISH LAW, REPORTEDLY A PRISONER MUST HAVE TWO HOURS OF EXERCISE ON A DAILY BASIS. DURING THE EXERCISE PERIOD OF RAY, [redacted] WAS TOLD THE EXERCISE YARD IS CLEARED OF ALL PERSONNEL AND THE BRITISH AUTHORITIES DO HAVE SECURITY DOGS ON HAND IN THE EVENT OF ANY PROBLEMS ARISING.

NO OTHER PERTINENT ACTIVITY THIS DATE.

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