November 21, 1968

GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION

This is the case involving the murder of Martin Luther King, Jr.

The attached relates to information orally furnished to our Memphis Office by [redacted], the Sheriff of Shelby County Memphis, Tennessee.

William Bradford Huie has written two articles for "Look" magazine concerning Ray and Huie has allegedly been commissioned by Ray to write Ray's life story.

The attached implies that if the information from Hanes' (former attorney for Ray) defense file is published in "Life" magazine, it may differ from the articles as written by Huie which appeared in the last two issues of "Look" magazine.

You will be kept advised of pertinent developments.

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Sheriff WILLIAM N. MORRIS [redacted] Shelby County, Memphis, Tennessee, advised on 11-19-68 he was in receipt of information that might be of interest to the FBI. This information is as follows:

JAMES EARL RAY has advised WILLIAM BRADFORD HUIE that he thought because of recent developments there might be a different approach to his trial, but that the final decision would be left up to PERCY FOREMAN, the new attorney. RAY also requested that any payments that might be due him for attorneys fees not be sent to anyone, including RAY's brother JERRY. RAY also reportedly told Mr. HUIE that he had read an article indicating that HANES is supposedly negotiating with "Life" magazine to sell the defense file which he was going to present at RAY's trial. RAY said that if this were so it would affect to a considerable degree the story being written by Mr. HUIE. RAY suggested to HUIE that in the event he wanted to correspond with RAY again he should do so through Mr. FOREMAN.

The foregoing information is furnished for the Bureau's information. Any other information received will also be furnished the Bureau.

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