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PHOTOGRAPHS OF THE SUBJECT RAY HAVE BEEN EXHIBITED TO EMPLOYEES OF THE REBEL MOTEL AND TO EMPLOYEES OF THE REBEL MOTEL RESTAURANT, HOWEVER, NO ONE HAS BEEN ABLE TO RECALL THE SUBJECT AS HAVING BEEN THERE ON THE NIGHT OF APRIL THREE LAST.

PHOTOGRAPHS OF THE SUBJECT HAVE BEEN SHOWN TO WITNESSES IN THE ROOMING HOUSE AT FOUR TWO TWO AND ONE HALF SOUTH MAIN STREET, MEMPHIS, WITHOUT EFFECTING AN IDENTIFICATION. ADDITIONAL PHOTOGRAPHS HAVE ALSO BEEN SHOWN TO MR. RALPH CARPENTER. YORK ARMS COMPANY, MEMPHIS. HE SAID PICTURE OF JAMES EARL RAY APPEARING ON WANTED FLYER FOUR FOUR TWO - A. WITH EYES INSERTED BY ARTIST LOOKS MORE LIKE BINOCULAR PURCHASER THAN ANY OTHER PHOTOS REC 11 2 SEEN.

REVEREND SAMELET KYLES LOCATERX AT 09 INTERVIEWED REVEREND KYLES WAS ONE OF LAST PERSONS TO TALK WEEHAM AND IT WAS AT KYDES THOUSE, THAT KING WAS TO HAVE DENMER ON NIGHT OF APRIL FOUR LAST. KYLES WAS NEARBY WHEN KING WAS STRUCK BY FATAL BULLET, BUT STATES HE DID NOT SEE ANYTHING WHICH WOULD GIVE

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HIM ANY INDICATION AS TO THE KILLER. KYLES DOES NOT RECALL HAVING SEEN SUBJECT RAY PREVIOUSLY AND UNABLE TO FURNISH ANY INFORMATION CONCERNING RAY OR HIS WHEREABOUTS.

KYLES STATED IT WAS COMMON KNOWLEDGE, PROBABLY INCLUDED IN -RADIO NEWS BROADCASTS. THAT KING WAS STAYING AT THE LORRAINE MOTEL DURING HIS VISIT TO MEMPHIS ON APRIL THREE LAST. STATED IT WOULD HAVE BEEN VERY SIMPLE FOR SUBJECT RAY TO HAVE KNOWN OF KING'S RESIDENCE.

REQUEST OF THE BUREAU: BUREAU'S ATTENTION IS CALLED TO PHOTOGRAPHS FURNISHED MEMPHIS IN BUREAU AIRTEL APRIL TWENTYFOUR LAST WHICH PHOTOGRAPHS WERE TAKEN BY WOMAN WITH WHOM SUBJECT WAS ACQUAINTED IN MEXICO AND WHICH PHOTOGRAPHS ARE PURPORTED TO BE SUBJECT RAY. IT IS REQUESTED THE BUREAU FURNISH COPIES OF THESE PHOTOGRAPHS TO CHICAGO, ST. LOUIS, AND SPRINGFIELD FRO EXHIBITION TO RELATIVES OF SUBJECT RAY. ARMED AND DANGEROUS. P. END

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