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FROM -:

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SUBJECT:

MURKIN

LATENTS ON THREE ITEMS IN MURKIN CASE IDENTIFIED WITH EACH OTHER.

Identification Division, Latent Fingerprint Section, has now identified a latent fingerprint on a map, described below, submitted by the Atlanta Office with a latent fingerprint previously developed on Remington Model 760 rifle, Q2, abandoned by Unsub. at the scene of the crime, which latent was previously identified with a latent print on the pair of binoculars, Q14, also abandoned by Unsub. at the scene of the crime. In other words, three latent fingerprints from three different objects have been identified with each other.

The Atlanta Office, by letter 4/15/68, submitted numerous items, including a map of Mexico, Q194, for examination. These items were located in storage room of the rooming house at 113 14th Street in Atlanta, Georgia, where suspect Eric Starvo Galt had formerly resided.

General Investigative Division has been advised and is taking appropriate action.

RECOMMENDATION:

For information.

1 - Mr. DeLoach

1 - Mr. Mohr

1 - Mr. Bishop

1 - Mr. Conrad

1 - Mr. Rosen

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TO:

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MEMPHIS (44-1987)

BIRMINGHAM (44-1740)

FROM:

DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

MURKIN. RE ATLANTA LETTER APRIL FIFTEEN,
AND DELIVERY OF EVIDENCE APRIL SIXTEEN BY SA

SIX LATENT FENGERPRINTS AND ONE LATENT

IMPRESSION, WHICH MAY BE FINGERPRINT, IMPRESSION OF THE LOWER JOINT OF THE FINGER, OR PARTIAL PALM PRINT, DEVELOPED ON MAP OF MEXICO, Q ONE NINE FOUR. NO LATENT IMPRESSIONS FOUND OR DEVELOPED OTHER ITEMS THIS SUB-REC-71 MISSION SUITABLE FOR LATENT EXAMINATION 44-3/86/-1332

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OF MEXICO IS IDENTICAL WITH LATENT FINGERPRINT PREVI-22 1968

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DEVELOPED ON THE BINOCULARS, Q FOURTEEN. OTHER

LATENT PRINTS ON MAP COMPARED WITH OTHER LATENT

PRINTS THIS CASE, NO ADDITIONAL IDENTIFICATION EFFECTED.

LALORATORY REPORTING SEPARATELY.

CONFIRMING.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

DIRECTOR, FBI ATTN: FBI LABORATORY

4/15/68

SAC, ATLANTA (44-2386)

SUBJECT:

MURKIN.

On this date JAMES D. GARNER, Manager, Rooming House 113 Fourteenth Street, Atlanta, Georgia, consented to a search of the storage room formerly occupied by suspect ERIC STARVO GALT. The following items were on top of a desk in the room:

Booklet "What is the John Birch Society?"

a Gulf Oil Company map of Atlanta

An Arrow map of greater Atlanta

Box of Nabisco saltine crackers 4)

a jar of French's mustard

6) one coffee cup

7) one water glass

A small can of Carnation evaporated milk

Jar of Maxwell House instant coffee

10) One box of 'C & H" sugar

11) One knife ·

12) One pencil, National's Citation

13) One wire electric cup water heater

14) One portable Zenith television

Found behind the desk was a booklet "Your Opportunities in Locksmithing."

Found in the left hand drawer of the desk were the following items:

A jar of Kraft's Catalina French dressing

2) Package of golden grain California lima beans

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2 - Package

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- Birmingham (RM)

1 - Memphis (RM)

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3) Can of "Iris" ground black pepper

- 4) Box of five National's Citation pencils
- 5) A Gulf map of Southeastern USA
- 6) A Shell map of Texas and Oklahoma

7) A map of Mexico

8) A city map of Los Angeles published by Mitock & Sons

9) A map of Los Angeles

10) A Shell map of Louisiana

11) A map of California

12) A Enco map of Arizona and New Mexico

13) A Standard Oil map of Birmingham and vicinity

The FBI Laboratory, Latent Fingerprint Section, is requested to process the enclosed items for any prints of value to this investigation.

Upon completion of this examination, it is requested that the enclosed items be returned to the Atlanta Division.

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# REPORT

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## IDENTIFICATION DIVISION

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LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION

YOUR FILE NO. 44-2386

FBI FILE NO. 44-38861 1409

April 19, 1968

TO:

SAC, Atlanta

RE: MURKIN

REFERENCE:

Letter 4-15-68

EXAMINATION REQUESTED BY:

Atlanta

SPECIMENS:

Portable TV and numerous items from storage room in Rooming House at 113 Fourteenth Street, Atlanta, Georgia, Q174 through Q200, and Q203

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Six latent fingerprints and one latent impression, which may be a fingerprint, impression of lower joint of a finger, or partial palm print, were developed on map of Mexico, Q194. No other latent impressions of value found or developed.

One of the latent fingerprints on the map is identical with the latent fingerprint previously reported on the rifle, Q2, and with the latent fingerprint previously reported on binoculars, Q14. Other latent prints on the map compared with latent prints previously reported in this case, but no identification effected.

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2 - Birmingham (44-1740)

1 - Mr. Rosen

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Results of laboratory examination and disposition of specimens subject of separate report.

This report confirms and supplements Eutel of 4-17-69.

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MR. TROTTER

DATE: 4-22-68

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FROM

S. F. Latona

SUBJECT: MURKIN

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LATENT PRINTS IDENTIFY GALT
AS JAMES EARL RAY

Reference is made to memo Mr. Trotter to Mr. Mohr dated 4-19-68, reporting the identification of certain latent prints with the fingerprints of Bureau Fugitive James Earl Ray, FBI #306443A, and that additional comparisons were being made.

The comparisons are now completed and following listed latent fingerprints have been identified as fingerprints of James Earl Ray:

Memphis Evidence From Crime Scene:

Latent fingerprint on side of Remington model 760 rifle, Q2

Latent fingerprint on telescopic sight of this rifle, Q

Latent fingerprint on binoculars, Q14

Latent fingerprint on Memphis newspaper, Q19

Latent fingerprint on "after shave lotion" bottle, Q24

Latent fingerprint on Schlitz beer can, Q53

Atlanta Evidence From Storage Room in Rooming House at 113 14th Street:

Two latent fingerprints on "Map of Mexico", Q194

The remaining latent fingerprints in this case are not identical with the fingerprints of Ray, who has now been assigned FBI #405942G (the number assigned to Eric Starvo Galt upon issue of the wanted flyer). Numerous latent palm prints and latent impressions of the lower joints of fingers have been developed in this case, but there

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are no palm prints or impressions of the lower joints of the fingers of Ray in Identification Division files for comparison.

### ELIMINATION IDENTIFICATIONS

A latent fingerprint from the room in the "Flophouse" rented by "John Willard" has been identified as a fingerprint of a Memphis police officer.

A latent fingerprint developed on the registration card, Q86, of the Rebel Motel in Memphis bearing signature Eric S. Galt has been identified as a fingerprint of a motel employee.

Forty-seven latent fingerprints, twenty-four latent palm prints, and two latent impressions, which may be fingerprints, impressions of lower joints of fingers, or partial palm prints, remain unidentified in this case. These latent prints continue to be compared with suspects as they are developed.

Memphis, Birmingham, Atlanta, and General Investigative Divisions have been advised.

RECOMMENDATION:

For information