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TO DIRECTOR, MINNEAPOLIS, DENVER, KANSAS CITY, LOS ANGELES, OMAHA
ST. LOUIS, AND SPRINGFIELD.

FROM MEMPHIS

- Mr. Tolson _____
- Mr. DeLoach _____
- Mr. Mohr _____
- Mr. Bishop _____
- Mr. Casper _____
- Mr. Callahan _____
- Mr. Conrad _____
- Mr. Felt _____
- Mr. Gale _____
- Mr. Rosen *Red*
- Mr. Sullivan _____
- Mr. Tavel _____
- Mr. Trotter _____
- Mr. Tele. Room _____
- Mr. Holmes _____
- Miss Gandy _____

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MURKIN.

RE MINNEAPOLIS TEL THIS DATE.

INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT MEMPHIS DISCLOSES JAMES EARL RAY
IN ATTENDANCE AT DANCE SCHOOL IN LOS ANGELES ON FEB. ONE, FIVE,
SIX EIGHT AND TWELVE. IN ADDITION, RAY WAS ENROLLED INTERNATIONAL
SCHOOL OF BARTENDING AT LOS ANGELES FROM JAN. NINETEEN THROUGH
MARCH TWO, SIXTYEIGHT. INFORMATION AT MEMPHIS DOES NOT DISCLOSE
RECORDS AT BARTENDING SCHOOL WERE FAITHFULLY KEPT, HOWEVER,
LOS ANGELES REPORT DATED APRIL EIGHTEEN, PAGE ONE HUNDRED FORTY,
SHOWS INTERVIEW WITH CLASSMATE DONALD J. JACOBS, WHO SAID SUBJECT
WAS ONLY ABSENT FROM SCHOOL ON FEW OCCASIONS. INFORMATION IN SAME
LOS ANGELES REPORT, PAGES ONE HUNDRED TWO AND ONE HUNDRED THREE,
SHOWS DEPOSITS MADE ON FEB. TWENTY THREE RECEIPTS OF
ST. FRANCIS HOTEL COVERING PERIOD FEB. EIGHTEEN THROUGH TWENTY ONE. *4297*
IN THESE DEPOSITS WAS CHECK FROM PACIFIC TELEPHONE CO. IN AMOUNT
TWENTY EIGHT DOLLARS SIXTY FIVE CENTS, PAYABLE TO ERIC S. GALT.
THIS WOULD PLACE SUBJECT IN LOS ANGELES AT LEAST SOME TIME DURING
THIS PERIOD.

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IN ADDITION, SUBJECT KNOWN TO HAVE BEEN OWNER OF WHITE MUSTANG DURING FEB., NINETEEN SIXTYEIGHT AS IT WAS SERVICED AT LOS ANGELES ON FEB. THIRTEEN, SIXTY EIGHT. SUBJECT AS GALT WROTE LETTER DATED FEB. SEVENTEEN AS RESULT OF LOCAL SWINGERS CLUB. THIS WOULD ALSO SEEMINGLY PLACE SUBJECT IN LOS ANGELES FOR PERIOD OF INTEREST.

MEMPHIS SUGGESTS OFFICES LISTED ABOVE HOLD INVESTIGATION IN ABEYANCE UNTIL CERTAIN POINTS CLARIFIED IN REINTERVIEW OF BRIDGMAN, WHOSE RELIABILITY IS QUESTIONABLE. BRIDGMAN SHOULD BE REQUESTED TO BE MORE SPECIFIC AS TO WHEN HE MET RAY, WHERE HE MET RAY, AND WHO CAN CONFIRM PRESENCE OF BRIDGMAN IN KANSAS CITY DURING PERIOD HE CLAIMS HE MET RAY. SPECIFICALLY, WHERE DID BRIDGMAN STAY WHILE IN KANSAS CITY; WHO IS [REDACTED] AND WHERE DID SHE LIVE IN KANSAS CITY. WHERE DID BRIDGMAN MEET HER? ALSO, IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT DURING THIS PERIOD OF TIME IN FEB., THERE IS NO INFO AVAILABLE TO INDICATE SUBJECT WAS IN NEED OF FUNDS. HE APPARENTLY SHORTLY BEFORE FEB. ENROLLED IN DANCING SCHOOL, ENROLLED IN BARTENDING SCHOOL, AND SEEMINGLY HAD NO PROBLEM WITH FUNDS. THIS WOULD BE INCONSISTENT WITH HIS BEING BROKE AND TRAVELING DISTANCE TO KANSAS CITY AND THEREAFTER BORROWING SMALL SUM FROM BRIDGMAN, IT BEING NOTED [REDACTED] WHEN INTERVIEWED IN

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DALLAS INDICATED THAT BRIDGMAN HAD TOLD HIM HE RAN INTO RAY IN OKLAHOMA AND RAY AT THAT TIME HAD AMPLE FUNDS.

BRIDGMAN INTERVIEW SHOULD BE VIGOROUSLY PRESSED IN ORDER TO CLARIFY DETAILS, IT BEING NOTED BRIDGMAN PROBABLY [REDACTED] [REDACTED] NOT ADVERSE TO BEING LIAR.

NO OTHER PERTINENT INVESTIGATIVE ACTIVITY THIS DATE, MEMPHIS.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS. P.

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