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Memorandum

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TO : Mr. DeLoach

DATE: June 5, 1968

FROM : A. Rosen

- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
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- 1 - Mr. Long
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SUBJECT: MURKIN

RECEIVED - COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

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

With respect to the Canadian developments in this case, a check at the Arcade Photo Studio in Toronto where the suspect had his Canadian passport photograph made disclosed that he had used the name Paul Bridgman, 102 Ossington Street, Toronto, Canada, at the time he had the photo taken on 4-11-68.

Investigation at the Ossington Street address resulted in the landlady identifying the passport photo as being that of a man known to her as Paul Bridgman who had stayed at her rooming house from 4-8-68, through 4-19-68, when he moved out. The landlady told the Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP) investigator that at the time Ray's photograph appeared in local papers, she told her husband "Bridgman is the man who killed Martin Luther King." She said she tried to get her husband to call the police at the time but he refused to do so. *EX-110*

Investigation has further disclosed that the suspect resided at 962 Dundas Street, Toronto, under the name Ramon George Sneyd from 4-19-68 (the date he moved from the Ossington Street address) until 5-6-68, when he reportedly departed for England. Investigation at 962 Dundas Street, Toronto, revealed that the suspect departed leaving a flight bag, six unexposed rolls of film, city maps of Montreal and Toronto and an empty cash box. These items are being processed for latent prints by the RCMP and photographic copies of these, as well as a photographic copy of a handwritten note by Sneyd, are being forwarded to the Bureau expeditiously for appropriate processing.

It had previously been reported to the RCMP that a person using the name of Sneyd had traveled on British Overseas Airways Corporation (BOAC) to London, England, from Toronto, Canada, on 5-6-68, and a

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person using the name Sneyd returned to Toronto from London on 5-21-68. RCMP investigators have now reviewed BOAC manifests and verified departure on 5-6-68, from Toronto to London of a man using the name Sneyd; however, the manifest for 5-21-68, does not contain his name as previously reported by BOAC personnel on 6-3-68. BOAC is being checked to determine if return trip portion of the ticket has ever been used and also a check of BOAC manifests on flights to and from Canada from 5-6-68, for travel of anyone using the name Sneyd.

It has been learned that the crew on the flight on which Sneyd departed Toronto for England was disbanded after the flight of 5-6-68, and have not been reassigned to Canadian flights. Legat, London has been instructed to have members of this crew identified through BOAC Headquarters and have them interviewed for full details. Legat, London is also checking to ascertain if Sneyd departed London since 5-6-68, for any destination.

In view of the prior residence of James Earl Ray, using the name Eric S. Galt, in Montreal in the summer of 1967, and the map of Montreal now being located at the 962 Dundas Street address and the likelihood the suspect would not return to Toronto, Legat, Ottawa requested appropriate checks be made at Montreal on the names Bridgman and Sneyd. On contact, RCMP, Montreal, advised that as a result of prior circularization of dance studios, a call had been received two days prior from a dance studio indicating that a man believed to be identical with Ray had been there. Investigation had been conducted and the studio staked out but nothing productive developed. Copies of the passport photo have been sent by wire photo to Montreal for exhibiting to witnesses and other investigation.

The letter written by Sneyd furnished by the Kennedy Travel Bureau, a copy of which is being forwarded to the Bureau for examination, was dated April 20, 1968, and in it Sneyd indicated he had to go to Capreol, Ontario, Canada, for several days and would pick up his passport on his return. He furnished no address at Capreol and Legat, Ottawa advises that Capreol is a small railroad town which it is understood has some good fishing lodges in the immediate vicinity which could be an ideal spot for a hideout.

Legat, Ottawa has been instructed to insure that Canadian aspects are completely run out as expeditiously as possible.

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The Canadian Passport Office has requested that no publicity be given to the fact that the current investigation came as a result of a review of Canadian passport records. The field has been appropriately instructed.

ACTION:

We are continuing to vigorously press all aspects of this investigation.

Investigation regarding Sneyd is being handled discreetly as any publicity connecting this name with Ray could cause him to immediately abandon this identity if Ray actually is the person who has been using the name Sneyd.

Chris Egan

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JK ✓
Keep closely held so no leaks occur.

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