

FBI

Date: 5/30/68

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Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plaintext or code)

Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL - REGISTERED
(Priority)

[Handwritten initials]

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
FROM: *[Handwritten initials]* SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)
RE: MURKIN

[Handwritten initials]

Re Bureau airtel to Los Angeles, 4/24/68, re ~~_____~~
~~_____~~ COMPLAINANT.

On 4/29/68, ~~_____~~ was telephonically contacted per her request to arrange an appointment for interview. She stated she was too busy to see an agent during the week of 4/29 - 5/3/68 since she went to Berkeley every Thursday and Friday ~~_____~~

She stated she had to take care of her family and house and had no spare time. She said that after she wrote her letter to Attorney General RAMSEY CLERK concerning the assassination of MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., she had second thoughts and believed her theory that individuals who subscribe to the "Tuskegee Tribune" might have something to do with KING's assassination, was a far-fetched idea.

~~_____~~ sounded nervous and harassed when talking to agent but stated she would try to find time to mail in a list of subscribers to the "Tuskegee Tribune", marking the names of those she believed to be white people, in the event the Bureau desired to check them out as possible aspects.

~~_____~~ suggested an agent contact her again on 5/6/68 to determine if she had the list prepared.

Los Angeles will contact ~~_____~~ on 5/6/68.

44-38861-3056

- 3 - Bureau (AM-REGISTERED)
- 1 - Atlanta (44-2386) (AM-REGISTERED)
- 1 - Birmingham (44-1740) (AM-REGISTERED)
- 1 - Memphis (44-1987)

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1 - Los Angeles

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Approved: (7) Bishop Special Agent in Charge

Sent _____ M Per _____

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C. C. Bishop

FBI

Date: 4/30/68

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Via RT AIRTEL AIR MAIL - REGISTERED
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)
SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Buairtel 4/24/68, concerning JOY DE HOW -
Complainant.

The files of the Los Angeles Office reflect no
identifiable information concerning the names _____
or _____

The records of the Registrar of Voters, County of
Los Angeles, Los Angeles, California, as checked on 4/26/68,
reflected no record of a _____ or _____

The records of the Retail Merchants Credit
Association, Los Angeles, as checked on 4/26/68, reflected
no record for the names _____ or _____

The records of the Los Angeles Police Department,
as checked on 4/29/68, reflected no information concerning
the names _____ or _____

Telephone directories for the Los Angeles area
reflected no listing for _____ or _____

In view of the above, no further action is
contemplated concerning _____

- ③ - Bureau (RM)
- 1 - Memphis (Info) (RM)
- 1 - Los Angeles

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9 MAY 14 1968

Approved: _____
Special Agent in Charge

Sent _____ M Per _____

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- 1 - Mr. Rosen
- 1 - (Mr. Long-2260)
- 1 - Mr. Conrad
- 1 - Mr. Mortimer
- 1 - Lab File



FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: **FBI, Memphis (44-1987)**

Date: **May 1, 1968**

Re: **MURKIN**
OO: Memphis

J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No. **44-38861**
D-561288 JK
Lab. No. **PC-A5960 IZ**

Examination requested by: **Los Angeles**

Reference: **Airtel 4/12/68**

Examination requested: **Document - Microscopic**

Remarks:

In view of the elimination of Jerome Vernon as a suspect in this matter, the items designated in the attached report as K207 and ALSO SUBMITTED were not treated for latent fingerprints.

PER AUTHORITY TO LATENT FINGERPRINT SEC (PONSBRAKE) FROM DIV. 6

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EX 101
REC 10

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Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

2 - Los Angeles (44-1574) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

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

MAY 14 1968

MAIL ROOM TELETYPE UNIT ADMINISTRATIVE PAGE

2260
Bonbrake 6179 IE

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REPORT
of theFEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

Date: May 1, 1968

Re: MURKIN
CRFBI File No. 44-38861-3052
Lab. No. D-561288 JK
PC-A5960 IZ

Specimens received 4/22/68

K207 Laundry list No. 3065, containing one sample laundry tape obtained from Home Service Laundry and Dry Cleaners, Los Angeles, California

ALSO SUBMITTED: Spiral notebook, ledger sheets, tablet and University Notebook all containing laundry records

Result of examination:

The K207 laundry tape is similar to the Q69 and Q70 laundry tapes in color, construction and composition. The K207 tape measures 1/4 inch by 1 1/8 inches. The Q69 and Q70 tapes measure 1/4 inch by 1 1/16 inches.

The size of type and printing characteristics of K207 are similar to those on Q69, Q70 and K10 indicating that all may have been prepared by the same machine. The lack of significant identifying features precluded a definite conclusion from being reached.

The submitted material is temporarily retained.

Tolson _____
DeLoach _____
Mohr _____
Bishop _____
Casper _____
Callahan _____
Conrad _____
Felt _____
Gale _____
Rosen _____
Sullivan _____
Tavel _____
Trotter _____
Tele. Room _____
Holmes _____
Gandy _____

JHM:AWow(10)

MAIL ROOM TELETYPE UNIT

FBI

Date: 5/1/68

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

Transmit the following in PLAINTEXT
(Type in plaintext or code)

Via TELETYPE URGENT
(Priority)

TO DIRECTOR (MAIL) AND SAC'S KANSAS CITY (44-760),
MEMPHIS, TAMPA, COLUMBIA AND PHILADELPHIA
FROM SAC, NEW ORLEANS (157-10673)

MURKIN

RE KANSAS CITY AIRTEL TO DIRECTOR APRIL TWENTYSEVEN,
SIXTYSEVEN RE [REDACTED]

FOR INFORMATION OF COLUMBIA, WHO DOES NOT HAVE BELOW NOTED
REPORT, REVIEW OF NEW ORLEANS FILE ON [REDACTED] REFLECTS INFORMATION
FROM LITTLE ROCK REPORT OF SA [REDACTED], DATED
FEBRUARY ELEVEN, SIXTYSEVEN, CONCERNING THREE ZERO TWO FURNISHED
BY [REDACTED] ON THAT DATE IN WHICH [REDACTED] STATED WAS IN CUSTODY
[REDACTED], IN APRIL, SIXTYFIVE AND ESCAPED FROM CUSTODY
WITH TWO OTHER INDIVIDUALS, NAMES NOT MENTIONED, APPROXIMATELY
MAY SEVEN, SIXTYFIVE. FURTHER, HE PROCEEDED TO WILMINGTON, DEL.,
WHERE ONE OF ESCAPEES APPREHENDED. FROM THERE HE AND OTHER
ESCAPEE WENT TO OCALA, FLA. FROM INFORMATION FURNISHED IN THIS
THREE ZERO TWO IT WOULD APPEAR [REDACTED] NOT ONLY IS PRODIGIOUS
CAR THIEF AND CHECK PASSER, BUT A CON MAN AS WELL.

1 - Bureau
1 - New Orleans
PMK:epk

REC 10

44-59961-3053

25 MAY 8 1968

Approved: [Signature] Special Agent in Charge
Sent _____ M Per _____

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F B I

Date:

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plaintext or code)Via _____
(Priority)

NO 157-10873

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IT IS ESPECIALLY NOTED THAT ██████████ STATES IN THREE ZERO TWO IN RE COMMUNICATION THAT HE MET ██████████ AND ██████████ IN COLUMBIA, S. C., IN MARCH, SIXTYFIVE. IN THREE ZERO TWO SET OUT IN REPORT OF SA ██████████, HE ADVISED WAS IN CUSTODY IN APRIL, SIXTYFIVE AND DID NOT ESCAPE FROM CUSTODY UNTIL APPROXIMATELY MAY SEVEN, SIXTYFIVE.

PHILADELPHIA OFFICE WILL REVIEW FILE ON ██████████ AND ASCERTAIN WHEN ESCAPED FROM CUSTODY, FORWARD SAME TO KANSAS CITY FOR REINTERVIEW OF ██████████ AT SPRINGFIELD, MO.

NEW ORLEANS HOLDING IN ABEYANCE COVERAGE OF LEAD AT CANAL BANK INN UNTIL AUTHENTICITY OF ██████████ STORY DETERMINED.

KANSAS CITY ADVISE OTHER OFFICES IN RECEIPT OF REAIRTEL WHETHER THEY DESIRE LEADS SET OUT TO BE HANDLED AT THIS TIME OR HELD IN ABEYANCE.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

Approved: _____ Sent _____ M Per _____
Special Agent in Charge

FBI

Date: 5/1/68

Transmit the following in AIRTEL (Type in plaintext or code)

Via _____ (Priority)

Handwritten signature/initials

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
FROM: SAC, ALBUQUERQUE (44-715)P
RE: MURKIN

Re _____ - suspect.

ReBuairtel to Albuquerque 4/30/68.

Enclosed for the Bureau is 1 copy each of Albuquerque airtel to Memphis 4/12/68 and Albuquerque teletype to Memphis 4/12/68, copies of which were inadvertently not furnished to the Bureau.

ARMED & DANGEROUS

3 - Bureau (Enc 2) ENCLOSURE
2 - Albuquerque
DWK/jvp

(5)

CC: Bishop

EX 101

44-38861-3054

REC 10

MAY 8 1968

Handwritten initials

79 MAY 14 1968

Approved: _____ Sent _____ M Per _____
300 Special Agent in Charge

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FBI MEMPHIS

FBI ALBUQUEE

1005PM URGENT 4-12-68 AFO

TO: MEMPHIS (44-268)

FROM: ALBUQUERQUE (44-715) 3PAGES

MURKIN. OO:MEMPHIS

RE NORFOLK TELETYPE TO DIRECTOR, APRIL TWELVE, INSTANT.

[REDACTED], AG, NM, MOTHER OF [REDACTED] TODAY ADVISED THAT [REDACTED] ARRIVED IN ALBUQUERQUE AT THEIR HOME AT SEVEN FIFTEEN PM ON APRIL ONE LAST. HE VISITED AT THEIR HOME DAILY UNTIL HE LEFT TOWN. HE WAS LAST SEEN BY [REDACTED] ON APRIL SEVEN, LAST, AT SIX AM WHEN HE SAID GOODBYE AND DEPARTED IN HIS SIXTYTHREE DODGE DART AUTOMOBILE. [REDACTED] RECALLS HIM MENTIONING THAT HE WOULD BE GOING THROUGH MEMPHIS ON HIS RETURN TRIP AND THEY COMMENTED ON THE EXCITEMENT IN MEMPHIS CAUSED BY KING'S MURDER.



RE WFO TELETYPE APRIL TEN, LAST. SNAPSHOTS AND HANDWRITING SPECIMENS OF [REDACTED] WERE OBTAINED FROM [REDACTED] RUIDOSO DOWNS, N.M. AND WERE AIRMAILED TO MEMPHIS TODAY.

[REDACTED] ADVISED ON APRIL ELEVEN, LAST, THAT HER FORMER HUSBAND, [REDACTED], APPEARED IN RUIDOSO DOWNS, NM, AT APPROXIMATELY TWO THIRTY PM, APRIL ONE, LAST, REMAINED UNTIL SEVEN THIRTY PM, AT WHICH TIME HE DEPARTED, INDICATING HE WAS PROCEEDING TO AG, NM, THENCE TO PHOENIX, ARIZONA.

44-38861-3054
ENCLOSURE

[REDACTED] ADVISED THAT AT THE TIME OF HIS APPEARANCE HE WAS IN POSSESSION OF A WHITE STATION WAGON, POSSIBLY A SIXTYTWO OR SIXTYTHREE MODEL AND MAKE NOT SPECIFICALLY KNOWN. SHE INDICATED HE USUALLY DRIVES CHEVROLETS OR FORDS, THEREFORE, THIS COULD HAVE BEEN ONE OR THE OTHER. ALSO, THE VEHICLE HAS TEXAS LICENSE PLATES, BELIEVED TO HAVE THE PREFIX [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ADVISED THAT HER FORMER HUSBAND WAS PREVIOUSLY CONNECTED WITH THE NAACP IN LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS, IN APPROXIMATELY NINETEEN SIXTYFIVE OR SIXTYSIX, HOWEVER, SHE IS UNAWARE OF WHAT CAPACITY HE WAS SO CONNECTED. IT WAS HER IMPRESSION HE EITHER DISTRIBUTED OR SOLD LITERATURE TO NEGROES IN THAT PARTICULAR AREA.

[REDACTED] IS DESCRIBED AS BEING BORN [REDACTED] [REDACTED] IN EITHER [REDACTED] OR [REDACTED] FIVE FEET EIGHT, ONE SIXTYFIVE, HAIR LIGHT BROWN BUT HE USES A HAIR OIL THEREBY EFFECTING A DARKER HUE. HE HAS AN APPENDECTOMY SCAR.

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AG 44-715

OTHERS NOT KNOWN. HE IS AN IMMACULATE DRESSER, TEXAS ACCENT, IS MARRIED TO [REDACTED] NEE [REDACTED], WHOSE PARENTS ARE BELIEVED TO RESIDE AT [REDACTED] MEMPHIS, TENN. BELIEVED TO BE PRESENTLY SEPARATED.

VARIOUS CHECKS MADE IN RESPONSE TO VARIOUS TELETYPES RECEIVED IN ALBUQUERQUE TO DATE NEGATIVE AND UNPRODUCTIVE.

WFO AND NORFOLK ADVISED AIRMAIL.

END. CORR PAGE THREE LINE THREE WORD THREE SHLD BE FORTY-SIX

END.

CAF

FBI MEMPHIS

4/12/68

AIRTEL

TO: SAC, MEMPHIS
FROM: SAC, ALBUQUERQUE (44-715)P
RE: MURKIN
OO: MEMPHIS

Re WFO tel 4/10/68.

Enclosed for the Memphis Division are the following:

1. Seven snapshots of [REDACTED]
2. Two specimens of handwriting of [REDACTED], one being a check in the amount of \$100, bearing his signature and the other is a power of attorney form bearing his signature.

The above items were obtained from [REDACTED] Ruidoso Downs, N.M., and she requests that if they are of no evidentiary value that they be returned to her.

[REDACTED] furnished the following description of this possible suspect:

Name	[REDACTED]
Age	38
Born	Either [REDACTED]
Height	5'8"
Weight	165
Hair	Medium or light brown but he used a hair oil, thereby effecting a darker hue

- 2 - Memphis (Enc 9) (RM)
- 1 - WFO (44-703) (Info)
- 1 - Richmond (Info)
- 1 - Little Rock (Info)
- 1 - Oklahoma City (Info)
- 2 - Albuquerque

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SVP

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ENCLOSURE

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Scars or marks
Peculiarities
Marital status

Appendectomy, no others noticeable
Immaculate dresser - Texas accent
Married to [REDACTED] nee
[REDACTED] whose parents believed to
reside at [REDACTED] Memphis,
Tennessee, believed to be currently
separated. [REDACTED] previously
married to a [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] advised on 4/11/68, that her former husband,
[REDACTED], appeared in Ruidoso Downs, NM, at
approximately 2:30PM, 4/1/68, remained until 7:30PM, at which time
he departed, indicating he was proceeding to Albuquerque, NM,
thence to Phoenix, Arizona.

[REDACTED] advised that at the time of his appearance he
was in possession of a White Station Wagon, possibly a 1962 or 1963
model and make not specifically known. She indicated he usually
drives Chevrolets or Fords, therefore, this could have been
one or the other. Also, the vehicle has Texas license plates,
believed to have the prefix [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] advised that her former husband was
previously connected with the NAACP in Little Rock, Arkansas,
in approximately 1965 or 1966, however, she is unaware of what
capacity he was so connected. It was her impression he either
distributed or sold literature to Negroes in that particular
area.

In the event the enclosures tend to implicate this
individual it is suggested that Memphis set out specific
leads to assist in effecting his location.

FBI

Date: 5/2/68

Transmit the following in _____
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Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM: SAC, JACKSON (157-9586) (P)

MURKIN

RE: ~~REDACTED~~ - COMPLAINANT

Re Bu Airtel, 5-1-68.

MIS

Results of inquiry in this matter furnished to the Bureau by Jackson airtel to Bureau, 4/17/68, which contained four enclosures. Memphis and Oklahoma City were also advised similarly. (La Ser. 1556)

EX-101

REC-12

- ③ - Bureau
 - 1 - Memphis (Info)
 - 1 - Jackson
- JLP/clm
(5)

44-38861-3055

MAY 4 1968

S. C. Bishop

Approved: *RKM*
55 MAY 13 1968 Agent in Charge

Sent _____ M Per _____

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NO 7:51 #18

VI. TELETYPE
APR 30 1968
ENCIPHERED

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Mr. Tolson	_____
Mr. DeLoach	_____
Mr. Mohr	_____
Mr. Bishop	_____
Mr. Casper	_____
Mr. Callahan	_____
Mr. Conrad	_____
Mr. Felt	_____
Mr. Gale	_____
Mr. <i>Redd</i>	_____
Mr. Sullivan	_____
Mr. Tavel	_____
Mr. Trotter	_____
Tele. Room	_____
Miss Holmes	_____
Miss Gandy	_____

R-38
URGENT 4-30-68
TO DIRECTOR (44-38861)
FROM NEW ORLEANS

Long
Th. DeLoach

MURKIN.

EIGHT THOUSAND I. O.'S REQUIRED FOR NEW ORLEANS TO CIRCULATE ALL
BARBER SHOPS IN LOUISIANA, BAKERIES AND CONFECTIONARY ESTABLISHMENTS,
AS WELL AS ALL FIRMS DOING BUSINESS WITH THE PORT OF NEW ORLEANS,
INCLUDING STEAMSHIP LINES, BARGE LINES, ETC.

BUREAU REQUESTED TO APPROVE ABOVE CIRCULATION AND FORWARD EIGHT
THOUSAND I. O.'S FOR THIS PURPOSE.

RECEIVED: 5:26 PM MKP

REC-15

EX 106

44-38861-305

MAY 6 1968

Airtel
SAC, NO
cc - NIE
5-2-68
RE 4

cc - Long

REC. SURV

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5/2/68

Airtel
EX 106

1 - Mr. Long

REC-154-38861-3056

To: SAC, New Orleans

From: Director, FBI

MURKIN

ReNteletype to Bureau April 30, 1968.

The Bureau under separate cover is forwarding 8,000 identification orders regarding subject Ray for the purpose of New Orleans to circulate all barber shops in Louisiana, bakeries and confectionery establishments as well as firms doing business at the Port of New Orleans, including steamship lines and barge lines.

Armed and dangerous.

1 - Memphis

REL:cs
(5)

NOTE: New Orleans by teletype has requested Bureau and 8,000 identification orders to New Orleans to circulate all barber shops in Louisiana, bakeries and confectionery establishments as well as firms doing business at the Port of New Orleans, including steamship lines and barge lines.

- Tolson
- DeLoach
- Mohr
- Bishop
- Casper
- Callahan
- Conrad
- Felt
- Gale
- Rosen
- Sullivan
- Tavel
- Trotter
- Tele. Room
- Holmes
- Gandy

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MAY 2 1968
COMM-FBI

79 MAY 14 1968 TELETYPE UNIT

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FBI

Date: 5/2/68

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plain text or code)

Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM: SAC, EL PASO (157-136) (P)

MURKIN
C.R.

PERSON RESEMBLING RAY ON AMERICAN AIRLINES FLIGHT NUMBER 338

Re FTS tel call from EP to NK, 5/2/68 and NY airtel dated 4/30/68 to BA, DL, EP, OC, PH, PX, RH and WFO, which teletype has been received by NK office.

New York teletype indicated that one of the tourist passengers on American Airlines Flight 338 which departed Dallas, Texas, 4/6/68, was Mrs. ROSE TERESHKO, telephone number [redacted] El Paso, Texas.

On 5/1/68, WALLACE J. CAMP, [redacted], residing [redacted] El Paso, Texas, advised that he has telephone number [redacted] and that his mother-in-law is Mrs. ROSE TERESHKO, who is currently located at the residence of Mrs. LILLIAN DE RENZE, [redacted] Blackwood, New Jersey.

LEAD

NEWARK DIVISION

AT BLACKWOOD, NEW JERSEY:

Will contact Mrs. ROSE TERESHKO in care of Mrs. LILLIAN DE RENZE, [redacted] New Jersey, to determine if any individual on above mentioned American Airlines flight was identical to subject JAMES EARL RAY.

RAY SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

- ③ - Bureau (RAM)
- 2 - Newark (RAM)
- 1 - Memphis (44-1987) (Info) (RAM)
- 1 - El Paso

WJ/bad

REC-15 44-38861-3057
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MAY 6 1968

Special Agent in Charge

Sent _____ M Per _____

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FBI

Date: 5/2/68

Transmit the following in _____
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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
FROM: SAC, EL PASO (157-186) (P)

MURKIN

PERSON RESEMBLING RAY ON AMERICAN AIRLINES FLIGHT NO. 338
Reference is made to FTS tel call from EP to NF, 5/1/68. This call transmitted the following:

New York teletype to Baltimore, Dallas, El Paso, Oklahoma City, Philadelphia, Phoenix, Richmond and WFO, dated 4/30/68, contained the following:

Re OC tel to the Director, dated 4/26/68.

_____ (protect identity) _____, Edmond, Oklahoma, was re-interviewed and IO #4182 displayed to her. _____ said the individual she saw on American Airlines Flight 338 from Dallas, Texas, to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, on 4/6/68, very strongly resembled RAY and she believed him to be identical with RAY. She stated she first noticed this individual in Love Field Terminal, American Airlines waiting area a few moments prior to boarding this flight. _____ could not locate her ticket stub but believed she occupied Seat _____, an aisle seat on left side of plane in tourist section and that the above individual occupied the aisle seat one row up on the right. _____ said this individual did not get off the plane when it landed at Friendship Airport, Baltimore, Maryland, and did not converse with anyone on plane and carried no luggage. She informed he deplaned at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and she lost sight of him when her husband met her at the airport.

- 3 - Bureau (REG. AM)
- 2 - Norfolk (REG. AM)
- 1 - Memphis (44-1987) (Info) (REG. AM)
- 1 - El Paso

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44-38861-3058

MAY 6 1968

EX 106

cc: [handwritten initials]

Approved: _____
Special Agent in Charge

Sent _____

MAY 15 1968

[Handwritten signature]

FUG SUP

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EP 157-186

A representative of American Airlines, furnished the names of persons traveling tourist class on American Airlines, Flight 338, which departed Dallas, Texas, 4/6/68, at 9:05 a.m. and made one stop at Friendship Airport, Baltimore, before arriving at Philadelphia 1:31 p.m. date.

These names included the following:

"Mrs. WEBB, area code [REDACTED], telephone number [REDACTED]
El Paso, Texas.

The El Paso Telephone Directory listed number [REDACTED] to Sgt. WILLIE WEBB, JR., residing [REDACTED] El Paso, Texas. Upon dialing this number, it was learned that this was not a working number.

[REDACTED], 112th MI Group, Ft. Bliss, Texas, advised on 5/1/68, that Sgt. WILLIE WEBB, JR. was separated from the U. S. Army on 4/6/68, and left as a forwarding address, [REDACTED] Newport News, Virginia.

The following information obtained on 5/1/68, from [REDACTED] (protect identity) [REDACTED] Mountain States Telephone and Telegraph Co., was not included in the FTS telephone call but is being set forth here as confirming information of possible value:

E-5 WILLIE WEBB, JR., ASN [REDACTED] residing [REDACTED] El Paso, Texas, had service from January, 1958, to 3/29/68. He was attached to the 581st Transportation Support Group. Upon discontinuing his telephone service, he left as a forwarding address in care of Mr. WILLIE WEBB, SR., father, [REDACTED], Newport News, Virginia.

LEAD

NORFOLK DIVISION

AT NEWPORT NEWS, VIRGINIA:

Will attempt to locate and interview "Mrs. WEBB", in care of WILLIE WEBB, JR. and/or SR., [REDACTED]

EP 157-186

Newport News, Virginia, to determine if the individual mentioned above on American Airlines Flight 338 is identical with subject JAMES EARL RAY.

RAY SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

FBI

Date: 4/26/68

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plaintext or code)

Via AIRTEL _____
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
ATTENTION: FBI IDENTIFICATION DIVISION
LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION

FROM: SAC, PHILADELPHIA (44-1368)

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Enclosed herewith is one Gilbey's Gin bottle made available by _____ Philadelphia, Pa., on 4/25/68.

On 4/25/68 _____ Philadelphia, Pa., who is employed as a _____ Philadelphia, Pa., appeared at the FBI Office at Philadelphia, where he related the following information:

On the evening of 4/6/68 he had encountered on the street near his home an individual who used the name of _____ advised _____ was very cold and as a result, _____ took him to his home where he stayed for the evening and left the following morning.

According to _____ resembled the pictures of JAMES EARL RAY which appear in both the Time Magazine issue of 4/26/68, and the U.S. News and World Report issue of 4/29/68 and the pictures appearing on Identification

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to [unclear]
4-26-68
RC# 71075

EX-116
REC-15 44-38861-2059
5-7

- 4 - Bureau (44-38861)(Enc. 1)(RM)
- 1 - package
- 1 - Philadelphia (44-1368)

EO APR 27 1968

JLO/lpm
(5)

Handwritten: Airtel 5.2.68
M. P. Young

E. C. Bishop
Approved: _____

Special Agent in Charge

Sent _____ M Per _____

(65)

PH 44-1368

Order #4182 dated 4/20/68.

[redacted] advised that [redacted] told him that he was in Philadelphia to visit some friends with whom he had been in the service, but that when he went into a movie, his wallet was stolen and he did not know how to get in touch with these individuals.

[redacted] advised this individual said he had come from the State of Alabama and spoke with a Southern accent. He advised he appeared to be slightly illiterate and a bigot. He advised this [redacted] made reference to the killing of Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING and said he believed the individual who did the killing would get a lot of money.

[redacted] stated this individual wore a dark blue sportshirt, with long sleeves; dark blue trousers; white socks; and black shoes, without any outer clothing in spite of the cold weather.

[redacted] advised that [redacted] had slightly stooped shoulders, pock marks on the back of his neck and shoulders, but he did not recall any scar on his forehead.

[redacted] furnished a gin bottle which he indicated [redacted] had handled on four or five occasions. He stated that he and [redacted] were the only ones who had handled this gin bottle and he stated he felt that his and [redacted] fingerprints could be obtained from this bottle to determine definitely if this individual were identical to [redacted].

He advised he knew of no additional pertinent information relative to [redacted] which would be helpful in locating him.

The Identification Division is requested to compare the latent fingerprints developed from the enclosed empty bottle of Gilbey's Gin with the known fingerprints of RAY and advise the Philadelphia Office.

PH 44-1368

The Identification Division is requested to dispose
of the above bottle after the examination is completed.

5-2-68

Handwritten signature/initials

Airtel

To: SAC's, Philadelphia (44-1368)
 Memphis (44-1987)
From: Director, FBI (44-38861) **3059**
EX-116
MURKIN

Re Philadelphia airtel 4-25-68, submitting one gin bottle for examination.

Four latent fingerprints of value were developed on the bottle. These latent fingerprints are not identical with the fingerprints of James Earl Ray, FBI #405942G.

Philadelphia requested to submit fingerprints or identifying data re owner bottle for elimination purposes.

Bottle destroyed, as requested.

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- Holmes _____
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Date: 5/2/68

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Mr. DeLoach	_____
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Mr. Bishop	_____
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Mr. Rosen	_____
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Mr. Tavel	_____
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Tele. Room	_____
Miss Holmes	_____
Miss Gandy	_____

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plaintext or code)

Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
 FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (44-371) (P)
 SUBJECT: MURKIN
 OO: MEMPHIS

RE THREATS TO MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

RE: [REDACTED], aka [REDACTED]

WASH.

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Re Chicago teletype to the Bureau dated 5/1/68 and Seattle teletype to the Bureau dated 5/2/68.

On 5/1/68, STEWART NORTHRUP, Manager, Bush Hotel, 621 South Jackson Street, Seattle, advised that [REDACTED] was registered at the Bush Hotel from 3/2/68, until 4/27/68. He furnished a home address of [REDACTED] Chicago, Illinois. He roomed with one [REDACTED] home [REDACTED] Chicago, Illinois. Although [REDACTED] moved out of the hotel on 4/27/68, [REDACTED] still resides there.

NORTHRUP stated he believed [REDACTED] to be employed at the [REDACTED] in Seattle, Washington.

On May 1, 1968, inquiry at the [REDACTED] Seattle, failed to reflect any employee by the name of [REDACTED] or [REDACTED].

On 5/1/68, [REDACTED] Manager, [REDACTED] Burien, Washington, advised that [REDACTED] is employed there [REDACTED] was off on 5/1/68 but due to return to work on 5/2/68. [REDACTED] did not have a home address for [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] referred to employment records [REDACTED] and stated that he has been employed with [REDACTED] since 3/11/68, and is a most satisfactory employee. He stated that he works five days a week from 12:00 PM to 9:00 PM.

2 - Bureau C. C. - Bishop
2 - Memphis 305

2 - San Francisco
2 - Seattle

PBC: mm Special Agent in Charge

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During April his days off were Wednesday and Thursday, although [redacted] could not be sure that [redacted] took his days off since employees sometimes work on their day off or trade the day off with other employees for personal reasons.

[redacted] was interviewed at [redacted] Burien, Washington, on 5/2/68. He stated he has been in Seattle continuously since early March, 1968 with the exception of a few short trips to the nearby rural areas for fishing. [redacted] advised that while employed at the [redacted] Chicago, Illinois, in 1956, he had occasion to fire a Negro girl under his supervision. Shortly thereafter a series of what he described as retaliatory measures took place, among them a personal assault on [redacted] accompanied by the theft of his automobile and threats to his family. When his automobile was recovered, it was found to have sugar in the gas tank and other damage which appeared to have been deliberately caused.

[redacted] stated that shortly after the above incidents, two detectives from the Damon Avenue Station of the Chicago Police Department approached him at his home and furnished him with information re [redacted] such as I// that set forth in re Chicago tel. He advised the detectives at that time that he believed this to be another retaliatory measure, by members of the "Deacons For Defense", a Negro organization whom [redacted] believes is responsible for the attacks on his person and property in retaliation for his firing of the Negro girl, above. He felt at that time that this matter had been settled to the satisfaction of the Chicago Police. [redacted] stated that his supervisor at that time was one [redacted] (PH) whom he claimed would verify the above information. He stated that [redacted] would also be in a position to furnish information regarding a bomb threat which was received at [redacted] around the same time as the above incidents and which [redacted] believes probably was connected with the Deacons for Defense.

[redacted] advised he was born [redacted] at [redacted] and currently resides at [redacted] Seattle, Washington. He operates a 1962 Oldsmobile.

On May 2, 1968, [redacted] the Bush Hotel, Seattle.

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advised that he met [redacted] in Denver, Colorado, in early March, 1968. They came to Seattle together and lived, until recently, together at the Bush Hotel. [redacted] stated that, to the best of his knowledge, [redacted] has been in Seattle continuously since they arrived. He stated that he also worked at [redacted] with [redacted] and knows that [redacted] was also continuously employed at that store since March, 1968. [redacted] specifically recalled telling [redacted] during the early part of April, 1968, of the assassination of MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., and pointed out that [redacted] was the first one to mention this to [redacted]. He recalled that this was either during the afternoon or early evening on the day KING was shot.

In view of the above, UAC, no further investigation is being conducted regarding [redacted] at Seattle.

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Date: 5/2/68

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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-33861)
FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)
RE: MURKIN

OO: Memphis

Re Atlanta airtel to Bureau, 4/25/68; and
San Diego airtel to Bureau, 4/30/68.

RE: [REDACTED]

On 5/2/68, [REDACTED]
Van Nuys, California, was
interviewed by SA [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] stated that his brother's daughter
was the wife of [REDACTED] who is currently
incarcerated [REDACTED]
and was interviewed regarding association with JAMES EARL
RAY by Agents on 4/24/68.

[REDACTED] stated that [REDACTED] arrived
at his residence at [REDACTED] Palos Verdes,
California, the day prior to Thanksgiving, 1967. This

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- 3 - Bureau
- 1 - Memphis (info)
- 2 - Atlanta
- 2 - Los Angeles

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visit lasted until the day after Thanksgiving, 1967, at which time [redacted] driving his wife's Volkswagen, bearing Georgia license plates, departed with his wife en route to Monterey, California.

[redacted] stated that approximately one and a half days later, [redacted] and his wife returned to the [redacted] residence claiming he had lost his wallet in Monterey and was without funds. [redacted] advised that he gave [redacted] sufficient funds to drive back to Atlanta, Georgia.

[redacted] after consulting a 1967 calendar, recalled that [redacted] arrived at his residence on 11/22/67, and stayed through a portion of the day 11/24/67. He left en route to Monterey on that date and returned to Los Angeles from Monterey approximately 11/26/67.

[redacted] should be reinterviewed about his activities during the period of time when he left Los Angeles, California; allegedly going to Monterey California.

[redacted] advised that he would consult with his wife on the evening of 5/2/68, and would be available for reinterview on 5/3/68.

Los Angeles will reinterview [redacted] 5/3/68, and will advise results.

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ATLANTA

AT MARIETTA, GEORGIA: Reinterview [redacted] concerning his alleged trip from Los Angeles, California, to Monterey, California, and the facts surrounding the loss of his wallet while in Monterey, California.

FBI

Date: 5/3/68

Transmit the following in _____
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Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL
(Priority)

TO: Bureau (44-38861)
Memphis (44-1987)
Louisville

FROM: SAC, Jackson (157-9586) (P)

MURKIN
(OO: MEMPHIS)

Re Bureau airtel to Jackson, Dallas, Jacksonville,
dated 4/25/68.

Referenced Bureau airtel indicated that the
main file on MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. had been reviewed
and certain threats against KING were set forth. Among
the alleged threats was: the following:

"Jackson Office, by teletype, 9/17/66, entitled
'Unsub; alleged plan to kill Rev. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.,
Grenada, Miss., Racial Matters,' reported that the
[redacted] who requested his identity be concealed,
claimed [redacted] told him two white
residence of Grenada planned to assassinate KING on
9/19/66 at Grenada. [redacted]

A review of Jackson file [redacted] on 4/27/68,
disclosed no additional information other than as summarized
above.

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2-Bureau
2-Memphis
2-Louisville
2-Jackson (1 - 157-6712)
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Approved: RKM
Special Agent in Charge

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JN 157-9586 .

Inquiry at [REDACTED]
Grenada, Miss., disclosed that [REDACTED] is
no longer located in Grenada, Miss.

On 5/3/68, [REDACTED] (Protect), [REDACTED]
Grenada, Miss., advised that his records
disclose [REDACTED] is now located at [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Kentucky, zip code [REDACTED]

LEAD:

LOUISVILLE DIVISION

AT PARIS, KENTUCKY

Will locate [REDACTED] at [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] and attempt to determine from him the identity of
[REDACTED] at Grenada, Miss., who furnished [REDACTED]
with the above information and immediately advise the
Jackson Office.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

DATE: 5/3/68

FROM : SAC, SPRINGFIELD (44-561) - P -

SUBJECT: MURKIN
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(OO: MEMPHIS)

Re Springfield airtel dated 4/17/68 and Memphis airtel to all offices dated 4/25/68.

Re Laundry checks.

Remaining laundries checked in Springfield Division regarding laundry tags O2B-6 and 2OR-3 (prior to receipt of referenced Memphis airtel) with negative results.

- 2 - Bureau (44-38861)
 - 2 - Memphis (44-1987)
 - 2 - Springfield (44-561)
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Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan

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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
COMMUNICATION SECTION

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FBI ATLANTA

TELETYPE

556P EDT 5/3/68 URGENT VSC

TO DIRECTOR AND MEMPHIS

FROM ATLANTA 44-2386

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Mr. DeLoach	_____
Mr. Mohr	_____
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MURKIN

INVESTIGATION RE STOLEN AUTOMOBILES, ATLANTA, DURING PERTINENT PERIOD REFLECTS 'FIFTY TWO-DR MAROOK FORD, VIN BOAT ONE TWO SIX ONE ONE SIX, 'SIXTYSEVEN GEORGIA ONE DASH ONE SEVEN THREE SEVEN FIVE, REPORTED STOLEN TO ATLANTA POLICE BETWEEN HOURS TWELVE THIRTY AM AND EIGHT AM, APR. SIXTH, LAST, FROM TWELVE EIGHTYONE SIZEMORE AVE., NW, ATLANTA, WHILE IN CUSTODY OF RAYMOND CLAYTON. CAR NOT INSURED AND NO KEYS IN IGNITION AT TIME OF THEFT. CAR OWNED BY DENNIS CLAYTON, PRESENTLY IN USMC, CONFINED TO MEMPHIS NAVAL HOSPITAL

RAYMOND CLAYTON IS EMPLOYED BY _____, ATLANTA, HOWEVER, INTERVIEW FAILS TO REFLECT ANYTHING OF SIGNIFICANT RE CAPTIONED MATTER. SIZEMORE AVENUE ON OUTSKIRTS OF DOWNTOWN ATLANTA AREA AND NOWHERE NEAR ANY OF THE PERTINENT AREAS WHILE SUBJECT IN ATLANTA. SIZEMORE IS SLUM AREA OF BOTH WHITE AND NEGRO FAMILIES.

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AT 44-2386

PHOTOS OF JAMES EARL RAY DISPLAYED TO RELATIVES OF CLAYTON WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. INASMUCH AS DENNIS CLAYTON IN MEMPHIS DURING PERTINENT PERIOD, HE SHOULD BE INTERVIEWED RE CAPTIONED MATTER TO ASCERTAIN IF POSSIBLY MET SUBJECT RAY IN MEMPHIS AREA.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
COMMUNICATION SECTION

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FBI CHICAGO

1133AM URGENT 5/3/68 JLS

TO DIRECTOR (44-38861), MEMPHIS (44-1987) AND ST. LOUIS (44-775)
FROM CHICAGO (44-1114) 1P

Mr. Tolson	_____
Mr. DeLoach	_____
Mr. Mohr	_____
Mr. Bishop	_____
Mr. Casper	_____
Mr. Callahan	_____
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MURKIN. KING MURDER

AS A RESULT OF CHICAGO "SUN-TIMES" REPORTER LOCATING AND INTERVIEWING SUBJECT'S BROTHER JERRY RAY THE VARIOUS NEWS MEDIA CONVERGED ON SPORTSMAN'S COUNTRY CLUB LAST EVENING IN AN EFFORT TO FURTHER INTERVIEW AND EXPLOIT JERRY RAY. MR. CHAMBERLAIN, OWNER, SPORTSMAN'S COUNTRY CLUB, WHO HAS BEEN MOST COOPERATIVE WITH THIS OFFICE MADE ARRANGEMENTS TO HAVE JERRY HIDDEN OUT IN A LOCAL MOTEL, WHEREABOUTS UNKNOWN TO LOCAL PRESS. CHAMBERLAIN RELEASED THE INFORMATION THAT JERRY HAD LEFT HIS EMPLOYMENT AND PRESENT WHEREABOUTS UNKNOWN. THIS HAS RECEIVED CONSIDERABLE COVERAGE BOTH ON RADIO AND TV. CHICAGO AREA JERRY WILL CONTACT CASE AGENT THIS DATE AND HE WILL BE DISCREETLY INTERVIEWED AS BEFORE ON A CONTINUING BASIS.

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MR. DELOACH FOR THE DIRECTOR

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

- MR. TOLSON
- MR. DELOACH
- MR. MOHR
- MR. BISHOP
- MR. CASPER
- MR. CALLAHAN
- MR. CONRAD
- MR. FELT
- MR. GALE
- MR. ROSEN
- MR. SULLIVAN
- MR. TAVEL
- MR. TROTTER
- MR. JONES
- TELE. ROOM
- MISS HOLMES
- MRS. METCALF
- MISS GANDY

May 3, 1968

The attached Sy Presten news release was sent to the Director from Walter Winchell, 33 West 56th Street, New York, New York.

This is a duplicate of the release which was sent to the Director earlier in the week from Sy Presten Associates.

BE...
Mr. Markin

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33 w. 56 st.
new york, ny

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CRIME RESEARCH

ENCLOSURE

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MEREDITH ANDERSON

41 East 57th Street - New York, N. Y. 10022 - Plaza 3-7094

April 27, 1968

MR -
To Hoover -

CAVE INSURING DR. KING SUSPECT
DOESN'T FOLLOW JESSE JAMES EXAMPLE

Pictures of James Earl Ray, suspect in the killing of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., has gone up all over Heramec Caverns, on U.S. 66, Stanton, Missouri.

The cave wants to prevent Ray, who once escaped from the Missouri State Prison, from getting an idea to emulate another much wanted Missouri criminal, Jesse James, who used the cave as a hide-out during the 1870's.

Life-size posters of the much sought after Ray is on display throughout the five-story cave.

For many years, through the cooperation of J. Edgar Hoover, director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the cave has been posting pictures of the FBI's "10 Most Wanted Men," in case any of them got any ideas from Jesse James. However, this is the first time that a wanted man's picture has been posted all around the underground emporium, according to Lester B. Bill, cave director.

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