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TO: CINCINNATI
FROM: -- MEMPHIS (44-1987)

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INVESTIGATION MEMPHIS REVEALS THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUAL WAS REGISTERED INTO THE LORRAINE HOTEL DASH MOTEL, FOUR ZERO SIX MULBERRY AVE., MEMPHIS, ON EITHER APRIL THREE OR FOUR, LAST, OR BOTH DATES. IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT THE LORRAINE HOTEL IS WHERE DR. KING WAS ASSASSINATED:
WARREN E. LARDSON, ^{44-1987-SUB E-3169} ROOM TWO ELEVEN, APRIL THREE AND FOUR, LAST, ADDRESS, ONE ZERO SEVEN SIX WALTON AVE., DAYTON, OHIO.

INTERVIEW LARDSON RE ANY INFO. HE MIGHT HAVE CONCERNING ASSASSINATION.

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FOR INFO. OF CINCINNATI, DR. KING WAS SHOT WHILE
STANDING WITH HIS BACK TO HIS ROOM ON THE BALCONY ON THE
SECOND FLOOR LEVEL AT APPROXIMATELY SIX O'CLOCK P.M. THE
SHOT CAME FROM A DIRECTION IN FRONT OF HIM. INTERVIEWING
AGENTS SHOULD ENDEAVOR TO OBTAIN ONLY FACTS FROM INDIVIDUALS
INTERVIEWED, KEEPING IN MIND HIGH DEGREE OF EMOTION GENERATED
AS A RESULT OF THE ASSASSINATION, WHICH MAY AFFECT THE
INDIVIDUAL'S ABILITY TO FACTUALLY RELATE WHAT HE OBSERVED
AT TIME OF ASSASSINATION.
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