

Mustang - mileage

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

FILE (157-3094)

DATE: 4/11/68

TO : SAC FRANK V. HITT

SUBJECT: MURKIN

At 3:05 PM SAC ALEXANDER called from Mobile, advised he had just received info. from the Alabama Motor Vehicle Bureau that it had received a teletype or telegram from Det. R. L. DAVIS, Auto Squad, Atlanta PD, asking if there was a stolen, or any registration on a Mustang and 1967 Ala. plates 1A 88354 or 1968 Ala. plates 1 38993. He asked that the information be rushed. Ala. checked NCIC and got a message that this car and these license plates were registered to GALT, no warrant was outstanding, that he was ARMED & DANGEROUS and the FBI should be called collect.

Following by SA JOHN J. LANGSFELD:

JERRY PRICE, Auto Theft Squad, Atlanta PD, 4/11/68, advised at request of Det. R. L. DAVIS (same squad) he entered stolen check with NCIC this date on the Mustang in question.

As result of inquiry entered, NCIC, following reply received:

"NCIC check reveals following on VIN 6T07C190647 EW-A Wash. DC FBI. Subject is ERIC STARVO GALT, male white (80-Code, Civil Rights & Election Laws). USE CAUTION. No warrant. If not in local custody keep under observation. Immediately call FBI collect 202 393 7100, Ext. 2521".

When PRICE finished furnishing the above information Detective R. L. DAVIS walked into PRICE's office and telephonically advised that a woman, name unknown, who lives in the area where "the Mustang" is located, called her preacher, KENNETH JONES, and told him that she had observed a man leave "the Mustang", locking same on Friday last.

Rev. JONES contacted the PD, furnishing this information. JONES can be located through Tele. 688-1567, or 939-4124 or through his Assistant IKE POWELL, Tele. 577-1569 or 378-1511.

DAVIS stated the car is in the first parking lot on the right on Cohley Street off Memorial Drive. He advised he is dispatching a unit to keep the vehicle under observation.

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FROM : FRANK V. HITT, SAC

SUBJECT: MURKIN

SAC HITT talked, in conference call, with Inspector JOE SULLIVAN, Memphis; SAC JENSEN, Memphis and SAC GRAPP in Los Angeles at 6:10 P.M. this date, at which time the following transpired:

HITT: We got some stickers on this car from Calif. Service 21368 and the other does not have a date. The mileage was 24,000 and now is 39,000. Both of these are in Hollywood, Area, 4500 - 31 Hollywood Blvd. (Repeating) Re the Mustang, the serial number is the right one. There is a service sticker on the door from the Cort Fox Ford Co., 4531 Hollywood Blvd., tele. 51131, in Hollywood, Calif. It shows car was serviced for oil and an oil filter at 34,291 miles. There is another sticker on it from H. Beckman Chevron Service, 1506 North Normandy Avenue, Los Angeles, Calif.

GRAPP: Do you have a date on the second sticker.

HITT: No date; the telephone number of the H. Beckman Chevroom Service is 666-9921. This shows car ~~XXXXXXXX~~ serviced 2/13/68; they packed wheel bearings and aligned wheel bearings and the milage was 24,185. The mileage on the car right now is 39,100. There is an emblem on the rear end of the car that shows the name from Marion Ford.

GRAPP: Does it say any more?

HITT: We have a Turista sticker on the car. This is on the window, a Mexican type sticker. It is dated 1967, October Turista Folio No. H 294486, and then that has under it "Director General," with something ~~KX~~ scratched out and then Federal, and then under than is "Advana de Neuvo Lareda" and right under that is "Tamps."

GRAPP: Is the Marion Ford sticker on the window?

HITT: No on the metal plate on back of trunk.

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GRAPP: Where is Marion Ford?

SULLIVAN: Probably Birmingham.

HITT: There is another sticker on the side window of the car like the Mexican one.

SULLIVAN: Nuevo could be re the state of "Tampico, etc."

HITT: JOE, there ar all the facts I have here on the immediate ~~XXXXX~~ search of the car. What the significance is I don't know. I don't know all facts re this case.

GRAPP: Is there anything on the car other than the servicing showing it has been in Calif, a registration ticket or receipt?

HITT: Negative. We ~~XXXXX~~ haven't gotten into the trunk yet. It was apparently cleaned out by Unsub or by the people in area before we arrived.

CONVERSATION BETWEEN MEMPHIS AND LA.....

HITT: We know answer to Birmingham ~~XXXXXX~~ picture question. JOE GAMBLE told me (Supv. HARDING) they showed picture to people at boarding house and they didn't make him. We do need to ~~XXXXX~~ contact these two stations and find out who name was who had car serviced.

SULLIVAN: Trace "Tamps" stamp also.

HITT: (to SULLIVAN) Did you ask LA to check airlines arrivals out there?

SULLIVAN: Not yet.

HITT: This car was abandoned here last Friday morning the fifth. It has been sitting there since that time and we have a couple of people who say it was between 8:30 and 9:00 .MEX A.M.

~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ CONVERSATION ENDED.

The information set forth above was furnished to Section Chief CLEM McGOWAN at the Bureau at 7:30 PM.