

Assistant Attorney General  
Civil Rights Division

September 2, 1969

Director, FBI

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ASSASSINATION OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

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Enclosed is a copy of a two-page statement allegedly dictated by James Earl Ray to his brother Jerry Ray while at the Tennessee State Prison, Nashville, Tennessee. The second page of the statement bears the signature of James Earl Ray but, according to the individual who furnished copies of the statement, this signature was actually written by Jerry Ray.

This statement was read by Jerry Ray in a taped interview and after editing it, KMOX-TV, St. Louis, Missouri, broadcast the statement twice during the evening of August 14, 1969. (1)

This is furnished for your information and no inquiries will be conducted on the contents of this statement unless specifically requested by the Department.

Enclosure

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NOTE:

See Rosen to DeLoach Memorandum 8-29-69, EJM:jld, captioned, "MURKIN."

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- \_\_\_\_\_ DeLoach
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- \_\_\_\_\_ Gale
- \_\_\_\_\_ Rosen
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TO: Inspector G. P. Tines,  
Intelligence Bureau

FROM: Lt. O. B. Holcomb,  
Intelligence Bureau

SUBJECT: William Ray, brother of James  
Earl Ray, committed to  
psychiatric unit at JGH.

DATE: September 24, 1968

Lt. Steve Ford called and reported that WILLIAM RAY, @Jerold I. CALLONGUES, brother of JAMES EARL RAY, was committed to the psychiatric ward at JGH. The arrest report shows that he was arrested in the U.P. Bank Building at Front and Madison on the 12th floor at 7:40 PM, 9-23-68, by Car 1, after the bank guard called them on a drunk. He was brought to City Jail and then transferred to JGH. The doctors at JGH have ascertained that he was previously committed to a mental hospital at Jackson, Louisiana, and was released in 1951.

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