Memphis Field Office File #44-1987 Sub-M Section 6 (Serials 544A - 689)

The first serials in Section 6 show the check in April of 1969 of motel registrations from March 29 - April 3, 1968 in motels in Corinth, Mississippi. Nothing identifiable with Ray, aka, was found.

There are indications of efforts to check on Rev. James Bevel (Serial 558). Jerry Ray sought for interview on his statements that James Earl Ray was part of a conspiracy. Caught up with Jerry May 23, 1969, as he left Shelby County Jail on visit to James. (Serial 575). Nothing said on advice of Stoner.

Ray's petition for certiorari to the Criminal Court of Appeals filed 7/9/69 was denied July 15, 1969. (Serial #640).

Article in "Washington Evening Star" for 8/15/69 quotes Jerry Ray on Station KMOX-TV in St. Louis, Mo., as reading a statement by James Earl Ray that Federal agents recruited him, James Earl Ray, to overthrow Castro, then they killed King and used James as the "fall quy."

"They told me [when employed in the spring of '68] I was helping them to supply arms and guns to Cuba refugees to overthrow Castro and the Communists in Cuba." I knew nothing about King being in Memphis until after King had been killed." The complete text is as follows with the original spelling and punctuation: (Serial 665)

In the spring of 1968 I James Earl Ray was working with agents of the federal government including Raoul. They told me that I was helping them to supply arms and, guns to Cuban refugees to overthrow Castro and, the Communist in Cuba. The reason why I made trips to Mexico was in regard

to helping the agents of the federal government to supply arms to Cuban refugees there to overthrow Castro. The federal agents led me to believe that I was in Memphis in April for the same purpose. I knew that I was working with federal agents the way they had me passed across the Mexican and Canadian borders is only one thing that proves they were federal agents. They got me across the Canadian and, Mexican borders under circumstances which would have been impossible without the help of federal agents. At a later time if necessary, I will give more extensive proof about the federal agents with whom I was involved. It is a known fad that agents of the federal government and, the Mexican police knew about my trips to Mexico and, protected me there.

Even William Bradford Huie admits that the F.B.I. and, Mexican police knew all of my movements in Mexico. I knew nothing about King being in Memphis until after King had been killed. I could not argue with the federal agents I worked for because they would have put me back in the Missouri State Prison at Jefferson City if I failed to take orders from them. I know that the federal agents merely used me to be the fall guy when they killed King. Now I realize that they had no interest in overthrowing Castro and, their whole purpose was to use me to cover their own crime. Two federal agencies are guilty and I am fully innocent. We hope that someone higher up in the government will come forward and, expose the whole deal so that I will be freed from prison. If they don't we have more information which we will release in the near future. I don't know what motive the federal agents had for killing King ask former Attorney General Ramsey Clark maybe he knows. In closing I want to pass along a little message to Percy Foreman, Arthur Haynes and William Bradford Huie you three, got your wish but, its not over with yet before it is the three of you will be Tuined along with your friend

Ramsey Clark I hope to be able to talk to C.B.S. in person in the near future if the State of Tennessee and, the federal government don't block it being they don't want being exposed they might not allow it. Sirhan got to talk but, I am innocent so I probably won't be allowed to.

Signed James Earl Ray

Serials 687 and 688 are, respectively, the defendant's Petition for Certiorari and Brief in support.