l - Mr. DeLoach

1 - Mr. Rosen

: 1 - Mr. Malley

1 - Mr. McGowan

1 - Mr. Martindale

1 - Mr. McDonough

1 - Mr. Long

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1 - Mr. Conrad 1 - Mr. Sullivan

MURDER OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

Laboratory examination of the bullet removed from the body of Martin Luther King, Jr., has established that it is a .30 caliber metal jacketed soft point sporting type bullet of Remington-Peters manufacture. This bullet could have been fired from the rifle found on April 4, 1968, near the scene of the shooting by Guy Warren Canipe, Sr. Due to mutilation of the bullet, it cannot be stated that it was actually fired from this particular rifle.

It has been determined that the rifle was obtained in Birmingham, Alabama, on March 30, 1968. Employees of Aero Marine Supply Company in Birmingham have advised that an individual using the name of Harvey Lowmeyer purchased a caliber 243 W Remington rifle on March 29, 1968. He had a Redfield scope mounted on the rifle at this time. Lowmeyer indicated he planned to go to Wisconsin to hunt. The following day, March 30, 1968, Lowmeyer returned the rifle to the store and exchanged it for a Remington 760 Model . 30-06 caliber. The scope was then mounted on the second rifle by the store. It appears that the name Lowmeyer is fictitious, as is the address given by him.

-Extensive efforts are being made to identify the person who purchased the rifle.

The binoculars, which were in the zipper bag found by Canipe, were purchased during the afternoon of April 4, 1968, at York Arms, 162 South Main Street, Memphis, Tennessee.

The full investigation is contilling and every effort is Deling made to identify the individual or individuals responsible for this murder.

I am advised also that the Mamphis Police Department utilizing its full facilities to solve this crime.

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