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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum ROUTE IN ENVELOPE

TO : Mr. Sullivan

DATE: 3/2/65

FROM : F.J. Baumgardner

SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
SECURITY MATTER - COMMUNIST

1 - Mr. Belmont  
1 - Mr. Mohr  
1 - Mr. DeLoach  
1 - Mr. Sullivan  
1 - Mr. Bland  
1 - Mr. Baumgardner  
1 - Mr. Phillips

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During a recent conversation between Martin Luther King, Jr., and his Executive Assistant, Andrew Young, King indicated that a \$100,000 benefit on behalf of King is to be held in Boston, Massachusetts. King said that the Governor of Massachusetts had declared 4/23/65 as Martin Luther King Day in that state. King further stated that he, along with other civil rights leaders, plan to go to Boston in the Spring of 1965 to "scare the power structure" in that area. King did not elaborate on what methods they would use in "scaring the power structure"; nor did he indicate that this visit would coincide with the testimonial planned for him by the Governor.

The Governor of Massachusetts is John A. Volpe (R). He was elected 11/3/64 and had previously served as Governor from 1961-1963. No adverse security information concerning Volpe in Bureau files. Relations with him have been cordial and in January, 1961, upon his first election as Governor he was sent a congratulatory letter and a copy of "Masters of Deceit" by the Director. Pursuant to your request of SAC Handley, Boston, for discreetly-obtained available information concerning a planned "Day" for King, ASAC Whittaker, Boston, today (3/2/65) telephoned the following information to the Bureau. Arrangements for a "Day" for King have already been firmed up. It is to be 4/23/65. An award is to be made to King, the nature of which has not yet been determined. Neither has the place for the testimonial yet been determined. There is no information that the invitation to King has been definitely extended as yet. SAC Handley has met the Governor who is cordial and friendly to the Bureau and Handley believes that the Governor could be safely contacted on a highly confidential basis and briefed concerning King with the end result that the affair for King will be watered down.

## OBSERVATIONS:

Because of the known communist influence on King coupled with his moral degeneracy, it is believed that it would be in the interests of the Bureau to have SAC Handley personally meet with the Governor and brief him concerning King. Although arrangements have progressed so far for the King Day that the affair will likely come off, our briefing of the Governor will likely induce him to minimize the affair and especially the award for King.

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Memorandum to Mr. Sullivan  
RE: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
100-106670

RECOMMENDATION:

If approved, this memorandum should be routed back to Assistant Director Sullivan who will telephonically contact SAC Handley and have him brief the Governor on a highly confidential basis and with the proviso that under no circumstances may there ever be any attribution to the FBI for the information furnished him. The Governor will be told that King for some time has been associated with and under the influence of present and former communists and that King, although a clergyman and a family man, is carrying on extra marital activities and engages in acts of moral degeneracy. The Governor will also be told that King and other civil rights leaders plan to go to Boston this Spring to "scare the power structure" in that area.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

## ROUTE IN ENVELOPE

TO : Mr. W. C. Sullivan

DATE: 6/21/69

FROM : G. C. Moore

JUNE

SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
SECURITY MATTER - COMMUNIST

1 - Mr. C. D. DeLoach  
1 - Mr. T. E. Bishop  
1 - Mr. W. C. Sullivan  
1 - C. D. Brennan  
(Attn: Mr. Rozamus)  
1 - G. C. Moore  
1 - C. E. Glass  
1 - J. J. Dunn

Mr. Tolson  
Mr. DeLoach  
Mr. Mohr  
Mr. Bishop  
Mr. Casper  
Mr. Callahan  
Mr. Conrad  
Mr. Felt  
Mr. Gale  
Mr. Rosen  
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Letter received from Representative H. R. Gross (R) of Iowa expressing concern over controversy involving telephone surveillance on Martin Luther King, Jr. Gross requested additional facts regarding this surveillance and King's communist affiliations. Recommended that Gross be contacted by representative of Crime Records Division, thanked for his interest and advised that due to various ramifications involved in this matter, it is not believed appropriate to furnish him data requested.

We have had cordial relations with Gross. In his letter, Gross stated he believed a more complete accounting of King's activities is due the citizens of this nation and would most definitely be in the national interest. Gross requested: (1) that the Director confirm, in as much detail as possible, that the telephone surveillance on King was occasioned by his association with Communist Party members; (2) that the Director describe the occasion on which approval for the King telephone surveillance was requested and received. Gross asked if it was correct that a conference was held in this matter involving the Director, an aide, Mr. Kennedy, and Mr. Katzenbach; (3) that the Director furnish any facts deemed appropriate to demonstrate the extent to which King may have dealt with members of the Communist Party.

Data regarding the approval of the King telephone surveillance by former Attorney General Robert Kennedy and general information regarding King's communist affiliations have already received widespread newspaper publicity. In view of the various ramifications involved in the matter of King's telephone surveillance, it is not believed additional information should be furnished Gross. Release of additional facts by him will certainly result in additional widespread publicity and prompt numerous inquiries to us by members of Congress and FBI critics.

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Memorandum G. C. Moore to Mr. W. C. Sullivan

RE: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

RECOMMENDATION:

If you approve, a representative of the Crime Records Division will personally contact Gross, thank him for his interest, and advise him that due to various ramifications involved in the King telephone surveillance, it is not believed appropriate to furnish him any additional data.

BISHOP WILL CONTACT GROSS IF APPROVED  
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Tolson:  
What is your view?  
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6/23/69 ADDENDUM BY MR. TOLSON:

I agree. I see no point in continuing this controversy. I think Mr. Bishop should ~~deliver the letter.~~

handle the matter.

CT:DSS

yes.  
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RE - HOUSTUDY 62-116464-

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## Memorandum ROUTE IN ENVELOPE

TO : Mr. W. C. Sullivan

DATE: May 13, 1965

FROM : Mr. J. A. Sizoo

 1 - Mr. Belmont  
 1 - Mr. Sullivan  
 1 - Mr. Phillips  
 1 - Mr. Row
SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING  
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SAC [Roney] of New York called yesterday and advised that Martin Luther King was due to arrive in New York that evening and had reservations at the Sheraton Atlantic Hotel, 34th and Broadway, New York City. He has been assigned Suite 1690 and New York advised that Suite 1690 is available for the use of the New York Office for monitoring purposes. If the Bureau will approve a microphone installation, New York desires to install a Wasp unit which is a radio transmitter requiring no wires to run from the room and which can then be monitored in Suite 1690.

In the past King has had conferences with [Stanley Levison, Harry Wachtel] and other advisors while he was in New York and New York advised that a conference with King, [Levison and Clarence Jones] is scheduled for late afternoon, probably in this hotel room. New York desired to make this microphone installation immediately. [Roney] requested authority so they could proceed with the necessary arrangements.

ACTION:

On New York's assurance that full security was available, and since time was of the essence, I told New York to go ahead with the installation as planned. In accordance to New York's request, New York was also authorized to pay up to \$40 a day for Suite 1690 if necessary for monitoring purposes.

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# ROUTE IN ENVELOPE

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SAC, New York (100-136585)

5/21/65

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Director, FBI (100-106670) — 182 JUNE

1 - Mr. Forsyth  
1 - Mr. Phillips

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
SM-C

ReBulet 5/7/65 which solicited from your office information concerning the coverage of King being afforded by the New York City Police Department, particularly any technical-type coverage.

The Bureau appreciates the helpful information furnished by your reply airtel 5/18/65. It shall certainly assist the Bureau in its future considerations relative to coverage of King.

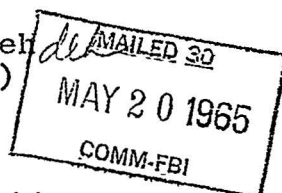
Two items remain, however, concerning which the Bureau would appreciate further information. What facts are known relative to King utilizing the tactic of searching for listening devices in hotel rooms occupied by him or elsewhere? Your airtel noted that your office had developed evidence on at least one occasion where the police had employed microphone coverage of King in a New York hotel. What are the facts relative to that occasion, including reason for the coverage and results obtained?

As origin, Atlanta should be furnished a copy of your reply.

1 - Atlanta (100-5586)

NOTE: We need to know as full particulars as possible concerning technical coverage being given King by others so that we may be guided accordingly in our own considerations for such coverage.

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Date: 5/18/65

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-106670)

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-136585)

JUNESUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
SM-C

ReBulet of 5/7/65, requesting the New York Office furnish full details of the current interest by the New York City Police Department in KING. Reference is also made to New York teletype of 1/9/65.

Captioned matter has been discussed on an appropriately discreet basis with Deputy Chief Inspector JOHN KINSELLA, head of the Bureau of Special Services (BSS), New York City Police Department (NYCPD). The NYO has enjoyed an excellent relationship with BSS, and Inspector KINSELLA has always been very cooperative with this office. BSS, it may be noted, is a plainclothes investigative branch of the NYCPD which handles such matters as subversive or security type matters of interest to the PD, racial matters, some criminal intelligence matters, and it also provides on some occasions plainclothes "bodyguards" for visiting dignitaries. In the latter sense, they act in similar capacity to the Secret Service.

Inspector KINSELLA has advised that MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., is of interest to BSS for different reasons, and that they endeavor to be aware of his itinerary and activities whenever he is in New York City. KINSELLA said that on some occasions in the past, when threats had been made

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Special Agent in Charge

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against KING's life, he was afforded close security protection by the Police Department on his public visits to New York City. KING has indicated, however, that he did not desire close security protection, and that if circumstances ever indicate this was desirable, he would ask for it.

However, Inspector KINSELLA said that since KING is to some extent a controversial figure as well as being a public celebrity, plus the fact in the past threats against his life have been made, the NYCPD wants to insure that nothing happens to KING while he is in New York. Accordingly, it is now the policy of the Police Department to afford KING a uniformed officer detail whenever he makes a public appearance.

KINSELLA said his office has liaison with "KING's office," the SCLC office in New York City, and tries to be aware of KING's schedule of activities whenever he comes to New York. KING is usually met at the airport by a detail of uniformed police, and on many occasions in the recent past he has been given a police escort into the city to his hotel. He has also been given police escorts when traveling about the city in connection with scheduled public appearances.

KINSELLA said that under ordinary circumstances, or in the absence of some specific necessity, the Police Department would not keep officers outside KING's hotel room door, for example, or in an adjoining room, for protective purposes.

In response to a carefully guarded question as to whether the Police Department would try to be informed of any of KING's conversations or intimate activities for intelligence reasons, KINSELLA said that ordinarily the Police Department did not consider KING a subject of investigative interest; however, KINSELLA said BSS was always very anxious to develop information from any possible sources concerning racial activity or plans of racial leaders, and said that under appropriately secure circumstances, the Police Department would consider employing technical sources against KING. Inspector KINSELLA volunteered to furnish this office any information learned from such sources, but added that to date BSS has not learned anything of any significance concerning KING's activities other than his public appearances.

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It was apparent that Inspector KINSELLA was exercising discretion in advising us at this point concerning BSS activities, since on other occasions he has been much more frank and open in admitting technical activities of his agency. It should be noted that this office has developed evidence on at least one occasion where the Police Department had employed misur coverage of KING in a New York hotel.

In an effort to keep the Bureau more fully informed in this matter, the additional information is included, which might have some bearing on the Bureau's decision.

Re New York teletype of 1/9/65, reported that during the evening of 1/9/65, during KING's stay in the Park Sheraton Hotel, he and other members of his party discussed the possibility and probability of all their conversations being recorded and movies being made of them in dark mirrors. In fact, one of them commented that most of the Justice Department telephone taps were on them.

BERNARD LEE, while in discussion with an unknown male, said there had been a recent burst of pressure. ANDREW YOUNG then mentioned that KING had taken the previous Tuesday off and went to the apartment of EDWINA SMITH in Atlanta to get some sleep, when he was awakened by a false fire alarm. This prompted KING to wonder how he had been traced to the apartment so quickly.

It was agreed that as a consequence of all the confusion, efforts would be made to meet Director HOOVER to inquire if he could shed some light on the matter.

Another observation which tends to indicate that KING is now conscious of security is that when coming to New York on recent visits, he has made reservations at a hotel, then, upon arrival, goes to another.

It is to be noted that as recent as 5/13/65, when KING, JONES and LEVISON met at the Sheraton Atlantic Hotel, New York City, the source was able to furnish only a portion of their meeting since they either left the suite or went into the foyer.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

**Memorandum ROUTE IN ENVELOPE**

TO : Mr. Belmont

DATE: 10/14/65

FROM : W. C. Sullivan

SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
SECURITY MATTER - COMMUNIST

1 - Mr. Belmont  
 1 - Mr. Sullivan  
 1 - Mr. Baumgardner  
 1 - Mr. Donohue  
 1 - Mr. Phillips

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The New York Office called me this afternoon (10/14/65) and advised that Martin Luther King, Jr., has a reservation for tonight at the Astor Hotel in New York City. He is to be in Room 445. The New York Office has available Room 435 from which it advises it can maintain, with full security assured, a microphone surveillance on King.

King has recently been conferring with his advisors with communist backgrounds, such as Stanley David Levison and Harry Wachtel, on his visits to New York City. We have specific information that he plans to see Wachtel on this visit. His conferences with these advisors have shown the communist influence upon King relative to racial matters as well as the Vietnam situation.

The New York Office requested authority to make the microphone installation immediately with full security assured.

ACTION:

On New York's assurance that full security was available and since time was of essence, I told New York to go ahead with the installation as planned. I also authorized the necessary expenditure for the room for monitoring purposes. Memo to A.G. being prepared.

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1 - Mr. M. F. Row (Room 6221 IB)

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# ROUTE IN ENVELOPE

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JUNE

October 19, 1965

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

RE: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Miss Holmes
- 1 - Mr. Sullivan
- 1 - Mr. Bland
- 1 - Mr. Baumgardner
- 1 - Mr. Donohue
- 1 - Mr. Phillips

This Bureau's investigation of the communist influence in racial matters has developed considerable information indicating the influence upon Martin Luther King, Jr., head of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, by individuals with subversive backgrounds such as Stanley David Levison, Harry Wachtel, Bayard Rustin and others. From time to time, King meets with these individuals and coverage of these meetings by this Bureau results in the obtaining of evidence of the influences upon King as well as information concerning the tactics and plans of King and his organization in the civil rights movement. The coverage of these meetings also has developed information concerning King's involvement in the Vietnam situation. These meetings frequently take place in hotel rooms in New York City.

On October 14, 1965, information was obtained that King was to spend the night of October 14, 1965, at the Astor Hotel in New York City. We also had information that King planned to meet with his advisors while in New York City, October 14-15, 1965. Because of the importance of the meeting and the urgency of the situation, a microphone surveillance was effected October 14, 1965, on King in Room 345, Astor Hotel, 44th Street and Broadway Avenue, New York City. This surveillance involved trespass and was discontinued on October 15, 1965.

Respectfully,

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6 OCT 28 1965

John Edgar Hoover  
Director

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

NOTE:

This memorandum is classified "Secret" since it concerns a microphone surveillance, unauthorized disclosure of which could result in serious damage to the Bureau's security coverage to the detriment of national security.

Memorandum from W.C. Sullivan to Mr. Belmont  
10/14/65 reported the telephonic request of the New York Office  
10/14/65 for authority to make installation of the microphone  
surveillance. In view of the urgency of the situation and on  
New York's assurance of full security, they were instructed to  
make the installation. New York airtel 10/15/65 reported that  
this surveillance, NY 5250-S\*, was installed in Room 345 and  
monitored in Room 445. It was discontinued 1 p.m., 10/15/65.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum ROUTE IN ENVELOPE

J U N E

TO : Mr. Sullivan

DATE: 11/29/65

FROM : F. J. Baumgardner

- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. Sullivan
- 1 - Mr. Baumgardner
- 1 - Mr. Bland
- 1 - Mr. Donohue
- 1 - Mr. Phillips

SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
SECURITY MATTER - COMMUNIST

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Special Agent in Charge [Roney] New York Office, called this morning (11/29/65) and advised that Martin Luther King, Jr., and some of his associates have a reservation at the Americana Hotel in New York City, arrival about 2 p.m., today (11/29/65). King will probably stay only one night as he is to be in Washington, D. C., 11/30/65. King and his party will have Rooms 3609 - 3611. The New York Office has available Room 3509 from which it advises it can maintain a microphone surveillance on King, with full security assured and without the use of any wiring.

We have had prior information that King will meet with some of his advisors with communist backgrounds, such as Stanley Lewison and Harry Wachtel. These conferences with his advisors have shown the communist influence upon King relative to the racial situation as well as the Vietnam situation.

The New York Office requested authority to make the microphone surveillance installation immediately with full security assured and also requested authority for expenditure of up to \$35 per day for the monitoring room.

ACTION:

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On New York's assurance that full security was available and since time was of the essence, New York was told to go ahead with the installation as planned and was also authorized the necessary expenditure for the monitoring room. Inasmuch as the installation will be made today (11/29/65) and deactivated immediately upon King's departure, probably 11/30/65, we will promptly submit a memorandum to the Attorney General advising when the installation was made and when it was taken off.

1 - M. F. Row - Room 6221 IB

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## ROUTE IN ENVELOPE

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JUNE

December 1, 1965

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

EX-103

RE: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

1 - Mr. Belmont  
1 - Miss Holmes  
1 - Mr. Sullivan  
1 - Mr. Bland  
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On November 29, 1965, information was obtained that King was to spend the night of November 29, 1965, at the Americana Hotel, 52nd Street and 7th Avenue, New York City. We also had information that King planned to meet with his advisors while in New York City, November 29-30, 1965. Because of the importance of the meeting and the urgency of the situation, a microphone surveillance was effected November 29, 1965, on King in Rooms 3609-3611, Americana Hotel, New York City. This surveillance involved trespass and was discontinued on November 30, 1965.

Respectfully,

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

NOTE:

This memorandum is classified "Secret" since it concerns a microphone surveillance, unauthorized disclosure of which could result in serious damage to the Bureau's security coverage to the detriment of national security.

Memorandum from F. J. Baumgardner to Mr. Sullivan 11/29/65 reported the telephonic request of the New York Office 11/29/65 for authority to make installation of the microphone surveillance. In view of the urgency of the situation and on New York's assurance of full security, they were instructed to make the installation. On the afternoon of 11/30/65, the New York Office telephonically advised that this surveillance, *ELSV* NY 5326-S\*, was installed in Rooms 3609-3611, 3:45 p.m., 11/29/65 and discontinued 1:30 p.m., 11/30/65. Monitoring was from Room 3509.

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AIRTEL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI  
(PERSONAL ATTENTION: WILLIAM O. GREER  
JEN BUILDING  
ROOM 4063)

FROM: SAC, CHICAGO (92-350)

SUBJECT: SENSTUDY 75

Re Butelcall 10/1/75.

Enclosed under separate cover are one (1) copy each of electronic surveillance logs contained in Volumes 1 through 10 of Chicago file 92-350 Sub D and Volumes 1 through 6 of Chicago file 92-350 Sub E.

For information Bureau, Chicago file 92-350 Sub D relates to the electronic coverage maintained at Celano's Tailor Shop, Michigan Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, from 7/30/59 until 6/23/63, under symbol number CG 6343-C\*.

Chicago file 92-350 Sub E relates to the electronic coverage maintained at the Armory Lounge, Roosevelt Road, Forest Park, Illinois, from 3/17/61 until 6/8/65, under symbol number CG 6486-C\*.

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Date: 10/6/75

Transmit the following in \_\_\_\_\_  
(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTEL \_\_\_\_\_  
(Precedence)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI  
ATTN: W. O. GREGAR, INTD

FROM: SAC, ATLANTA (62-2854)

SUBJECT: SENSTUDY 75

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Re telephone call from Section Chief, J. G. DEEGAN, FBIHQ, to SAC, Atlanta, 10/3/75, and Atlanta teletype to FBIHQ, 10/6/75.

As requested by FBIHQ in referenced telephone call, Atlanta is enclosing two (2) Xerox copies each of the following communications for the Bureau in connection with the renting of an apartment for technical surveillances of MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. by the Atlanta Office:

1. Memo of SAC JAMES E. MC MAHON dated 10/17/63, captioned "MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. (JUNE)"

2. Memo of SAC JAMES E. MC MAHON, 11/4/63, captioned "COMINFIL, RM" (JUNE).

3. Memo of SAC JAMES E. MC MAHON, 11/4/63, captioned "COMINFIL, RM" (JUNE).

4. A lease for an apartment in the Peachtree Towers Apartments.

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Approved: \_\_\_\_\_ Sent: \_\_\_\_\_ M Per: \_\_\_\_\_

Special Agent in Charge

AT 62-2854

5. Atlanta airtel to FBIHQ, 11/12/63, captioned "COMINFIL, RM, ATLANTA DIVISION" (JUNE).

6. Memo of SAC JOSEPH K. PONDER, 6/23/66, captioned "AT 1380-S\*".

7. Memo of ASAC EUGENE H. STEWART, 6/29/66, captioned "AT 1380-S\*".

8. A letter from the Southeastern Engineering Company, Atlanta, Georgia, to the Peachtree Towers, Inc., Atlanta, Georgia, dated 7/1/66.

9. A letter from the Southeastern Engineering Company, Atlanta, Georgia, to the Peachtree Towers, Inc., Atlanta, Georgia, 7/27/66.

The above information was reflected in Atlanta files 100-6670-E and 100-6520-E. These files also contain numerous bills rendered by Southern Bell Telephone Company for telephone service to Southeastern Engineering Company, P. O. Box 583, Atlanta, Georgia 30301, as well as to RICHARD NICHOLS, Apartment 20-K, 300 West Peachtree Street, N. W., Atlanta, Georgia 30308, from December, 1963 to 8/4/66. Also attached to these telephone bills is FD-221a requesting money to pay these telephone bills. These telephone bills and the FD-221a's are not being submitted to the Bureau.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : FILE

DATE: 10/17/63

FROM : SAC JAMES E. McMAHON

J U N E

SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

At 5:00 P.M. on 10/15/63 Asst. Director WILLIAM C. SULLIVAN telephonically contacted me in Atlanta. SULLIVAN stated that in connection with our recent request for a tesur on MARTIN LUTHER KING it had been decided by the Bureau that a clandestine tesur should be placed on him for a trial period of 60 days.

SULLIVAN stated that this must be maintained in absolute and strict confidence and that only the minimum number of employees necessary to handle the matter should have knowledge of it. He stated that mature, experienced agents should monitor the tech and no Investigative Clerks should be permitted to handle it. He stated nothing should be placed in file concerning this particular phase of the investigation of KING. He stated that all mail, memos, etc., should be personally handled by the SAC and should not be serialized, indexed or filed.

He stated that at the appropriate time the Bureau will send a sound trained Agent to Atlanta to complete the installation inasmuch as the Atlanta sound man is known to KING as an FBI Agent.

I requested SULLIVAN to advise me prior to sending the sound man to Atlanta in order that all other work could be completed and in order that the Bureau sound man would only have to be here for a minimum period of time. I further suggested to SULLIVAN that in view of his above instructions that no Investigative Clerks monitor the installation, and that information concerning this tech be limited to the minimum number of personnel, it would be better for the monitoring point to be other than the FBI field office, due to the fact that we have another similar installation on another individual that is being monitored in the field.

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office and there is no other space within the confines of the office for complete security to be assured. SULLIVAN agreed and I told him we would attempt to obtain a suitable monitoring point and I would let him know.

Information concerning this matter has been furnished only to the ASAC, Supervisor HENRY G. ROWSE, SA's ALDEN F. MILLER and FRANK R. SOUTHERLAND, the two Atlanta sound men, and Miss MAXWELL, SAC's secretary. They have been instructed that this must be maintained in complete confidence.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : FILE

J U N E

DATE: 11/4/63

FROM : SAC JAMES E. McMAHON

SUBJECT: COMINFIL  
RM

Remymemo dated 10/17/63 captioned, "MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR," which relates to a confidential technical installation.

On 10/17/63 SA ROBERT R. NICHOLS ascertained that he could rent an apartment in the Peachtree Towers Apartments, 300 West Peachtree Street, Atlanta, Apartment 20-K, on the 20th floor. The apartment has a living room and one bedroom and rents for \$250.00 per month furnished. SA NICHOLS has been given the cover of RICHARD NICHOLS, Southeastern Engineering Company, 106 Hampton Street, Columbia, S. C. He has been given the names of two references if it is necessary to supply references to the apartment manager. They are Mr. JACK GILLESPIE and ASA CANDLER.

The above two references are individuals in the city of Atlanta who are very reliable and are close to the FBI. Both of these references know nothing whatsoever about this matter but both readily agreed that if they are contacted concerning Mr. RICHARD NICHOLS of Southeastern Engineering Company, Columbia, S. C., they will give the necessary recommendations.

Pertinent information above concerning the apartment rental, the fact that we need several days to obtain five leased lines from the Telephone Company, plus one additional telephone in the apartment, was telephonically furnished to Inspector JOE SIZOO at the Bureau on 10/17/63, at which time authority was requested to rent the apartment and order the leased lines from the Telephone Company. Inspector SIZOO said he would let us know when this was approved.

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*Memorandum*

TO : FILE

J U N E

DATE: 11/4/63

FROM : SAC JAMES E. McMAHON

SUBJECT: COMINFIL  
RM

On 10/21/63 Inspector JOE SIZOO telephonically contacted the Atlanta Office and advised that it was o.k. for us to rent the apartment which we had surveyed for \$250.00 per month and to go ahead with the necessary installation of the five leased lines on the SCLC and one line on the residence of MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. He said that when all of this had been done and the leased lines had been connected, Atlanta should call Miami and request them to send SA BILL HEIST to make the final installation. Mr. SIZOO said that the additional equipment which we had previously requested was being forwarded separately to Atlanta. He further stated that when this installation is made we should furnish the Bureau immediately the date and time of installation, symbols for the five lines, and at the end of thirty days submit an evaluation with recommendations for its continuance or discontinuance. He further stated that any mail sent to the Bureau should bear the caption, "COMINFIL, RACIAL MATTER, ATLANTA DIVISION," Personal Attention Asst. Director W. C. SULLIVAN or Inspector JOSEPH SIZOO, Domestic Intelligence Division.

I told him we would go ahead in accordance with his instructions.

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PEACHTREE TOWERS APARTMENT LEASE

STATE OF GEORGIA

COUNTY OF FULTON

THIS AGREEMENT OF LEASE made this 23 day of OCTOBER 1963, between PEACHTREE TOWERS, INC., hereinafter referred to as Landlord, and SOUTHEASTERN ENGINEERING COMPANY

hereinafter referred to as Tenant;

WITNESSETH: That Landlord hereby leases to Tenant and Tenant hereby hires from Landlord the premises designated as Apartment No. 1 located on the 20th floor of Peachtree Towers Apartments, 300 West Peachtree Street, in the City of Atlanta, County of Fulton, State of Georgia; for a term of ONE YEAR, commencing on the 24th day of OCTOBER, 1963, and ending on the 23rd day of OCTOBER, 1964, at and for the agreed monthly rental of TWO-HUNDRED-FIFTY & NO/100 Dollars, which Tenant agrees to pay in advance on the 1st day of each month during the term of this lease at the office of Landlord located in the building or at such other place as Landlord may designate, without any set-off or deduction whatsoever.

Landlord and Tenant, for themselves, their heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns, hereby covenant as follows:

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| PAYMENT<br>OF<br>RENT         | 1. Tenant shall pay the specified rent above provided and such additional rent as shall become payable hereunder on the date due. No bill or demand for said rent shall be required before payment, and any bill therefor shall be deemed a convenience and not a condition precedent to payment.   |
| USE OF<br>DEMISED<br>PREMISES | 2. The demised premises and any part thereof shall be used and occupied solely as a private apartment dwelling by Tenant and the immediate family of Tenant as listed on application for Apartment Lease. Tenant shall not use the demised premises in violation of any law, order, or regulation of any governmental authority having jurisdiction; nor in such manner as to create or cause a nuisance, it being understood that the use of profanity or the engaging in any loud or boisterous conduct that disturbs the peace and quiet of other tenants of the building shall, among other things, constitute such a nuisance; nor in such manner as to vitiate or increase the rate of insurance on the premises. |

POSSESSION  
OF  
DEMISED  
PREMISES

3. If the demised premises are available for occupancy prior to the date above specified for commencement of the term, Tenant may then take possession thereof upon the condition that Landlord consent in writing to the taking of such possession by Tenant, and in such event the term of this lease shall be deemed to commence from the time of the taking of such possession by Tenant and the provisions of this lease, including the payment of rent, shall be applicable to such period of occupancy. If the demised premises are not ready for occupancy on the date above specified for the commencement of the term, then the date of the commencement of the term shall be postponed until Landlord shall be able to so give possession and rent shall accrue as of the date that Landlord shall notify Tenant that the demised premises are ready for occupancy. Landlord assumes no responsibility to Tenant for delay in giving possession due to the failure of the previous occupant of the demised premises to vacate upon termination of the lease or for delay caused by any other reason not within the control of the Landlord.

RIGHT  
OF  
ENTRY

4. Landlord and the Landlord's agents shall have the right to enter the demised premises during all reasonable hours to examine the same, to make such repairs, additions or alterations as may be deemed necessary for the safety, comfort or preservation thereof, or of the building of which the demised premises are a part, or to exhibit the demised premises upon advance notice to Tenant at any time within thirty (30) days prior to the expiration of the term of this lease. The right of entry shall further exist for the purpose of removing placards, signs, fixtures, alterations or additions which are displayed or installed in violation of the terms of this lease.

MAINTENANCE  
AND UPKEEP

5. Tenant shall maintain the demised premises in as good a state of condition, order and repair as existed on the date of the commencement of the term of this lease, excepting only reasonable wear and tear arising from the use thereof. Tenant further agrees to be responsible for and to pay to Landlord immediately upon demand any damage to the heating or water apparatus, electric lights or wires, or any fixtures, appliances or appurtenances to the demised premises or the building caused by the act or neglect of Tenant, or any person or persons in the employ or under the control of Tenant. In the event of any damage to the demised premises resulting from the carelessness, neglect, or improper conduct of Tenant, its employees, agents, visitors or licensees, Landlord at the expense of Tenant may make such repairs as may be necessary to restore the demised premises to a good state of order and condition.

ALTERATIONS

6. Tenant shall make no alterations, decorations, additions or improvements in or to the demised premises without the prior written consent of Landlord, and then only by contractors and mechanics approved by Landlord and performed at such times and in such manner as Landlord may from time to time designate. All such alterations, decorations, additions or improvements shall become the sole and absolute property of Landlord and shall remain upon and be surrendered with the demised premises as a part thereof upon the termination or expiration of the term of this lease.

UTILITIES  
AND  
SERVICES

7. As long as Tenant shall not be in default under any of the provisions of this lease Landlord without charge to Tenant shall provide the following utilities and services:  
(a) electric current in reasonable quantities, (b) hot and cold water in reasonable quantities, (c) heat and air conditioning at reasonable hours during the proper seasons, and (d) passenger elevator service to and from the floor of the building upon which the demised premises are located. Any interruption or curtailment of the foregoing services shall not constitute a constructive or partial

eviction nor, unless caused by the gross negligence of Landlord, entitle Tenant to any compensation or abatement of rent. It is expressly understood and agreed that the foregoing agreement of Landlord to furnish the designated services shall not be deemed breached and Landlord shall incur no liability therefor if any such interruption or curtailment of service shall be caused by the occurrence of some event beyond the reasonable control of Landlord.

FIXTURES  
AND  
FURNITURE

8. As long as Tenant shall not be in default under any of the provisions of this lease Tenant upon termination of this lease may remove all movable fixtures or equipment which Tenant has placed within the demised premises, provided Tenant restores the demised premises to the condition existing prior to the installation thereof. Landlord shall not be liable for any loss or damage to any personal property of Tenant placed within the demised premises which loss or damage is caused by the negligence of any co-tenant or other occupant of the building of which the demised premises form a part, or by any other person whomsoever other than Landlord or its agents.

FIRE  
OR  
CASUALTY

9. If the demised premises or the building of which the demised premises form a part shall be partially damaged by fire or other casualty, necessary repairs shall be made by and at the expense of Landlord, and in case such damage shall render the demised premises untentable in whole or in part, then the rent until the demised premises have been repaired shall cease if wholly untentable or be apportioned if partially untentable based on the part of the demised premises which is usable by Tenant. If, however, said building shall be totally destroyed or the demised premises damaged to the extent that repairs cannot in Landlord's opinion be completed within a period of ninety days, or if Landlord shall decide to remodel or reconstruct said building, then and in any of such events this lease shall terminate effective on the date of such destruction or damage.

EMINENT  
DOMAIN

10. If the whole or any part of the demised premises shall be taken or condemned by any competent authority for any public or quasipublic use, then the term of this lease shall cease and terminate effective on the date when the possession of the part so taken or condemned shall be required for such use or purpose. All damages awarded for the taking of the demised premises or any part thereof shall be the sole property of Landlord.

DEFAULT

11. If Tenant shall default in fulfilling any of the covenants and conditions of this lease (other than the covenant for the payment of rent) or in complying with any of the Rules and Regulations herein contained, or if Tenant shall make any misrepresentation in the Application for Apartment Lease, or if the Tenant or any authorized occupant of the demised premises shall engage in any conduct or activity deemed in the opinion of Landlord objectionable or improper, then and in any of such events Landlord may, at its option, terminate the term of this lease by giving to Tenant five days notice of its intention to so terminate, and thereupon at the expiration of said five days, the term of this lease shall expire as fully and completely as if that day were the date fixed for the expiration of said term.

RIGHTS  
UPON  
DEFAULT

12. If Tenant shall default in the payment of the specified rent or additional rent reserved hereunder, or if the notice of termination provided for under preceding paragraph 11, hereof shall have been given and said five days notice period shall have elapsed, or if the demised premises have become vacant or deserted, Landlord shall have the right to re-enter the demised premises and remove all persons and property there from, either by summary dispossession proceedings, or by any suitable action or proceeding at law, or otherwise without being liable to indictment, prosecution or damages therefor, and Tenant, whether or not the demised premises shall be relet as hereinafter provided shall be and remain liable to Landlord for damages equivalent to the amount of the specified rent reserved hereunder to the date when the term of this lease would have expired but for the prior termination thereof, and the same shall be due and payable by Tenant to Landlord on the dates hereinabove provided. In the event of any such re-entry Landlord may, at its option, relet the demised premises for the remainder of the term, or any part or parts thereof, or for the period which may extend beyond the date provided for the expiration of the term, and the rents collected on any such reletting may be applied to the fulfillment of any covenants to be performed by Tenant hereunder and the balance of rents to be applied by Landlord on account of any rent unpaid by Tenant for the remainder of the term, with Tenant continuing to be liable for any resulting deficiency in rent.

REIMBURSE-  
MENT OF  
EXPENSES

13. If Tenant shall default in the performance of any of the covenants or conditions of this lease Landlord may, at its option, perform the same for the account of Tenant, and any amount paid or expenses incurred by Landlord in the performance of such covenants or conditions shall be deemed to be additional rent for the demised premises, and same shall be due and payable by Tenant to Landlord on the first day of the next following month, or, at the option of Landlord, on the first day of any succeeding month as may be specified in writing by Landlord.

SUBORDI-  
NATION

14. This lease and the rights of Tenant conferred thereunder shall at all times be subject and subordinate to the lien of any mortgage, deed of trust or other security instrument now or hereinafter placed on the land and building of which the demised premises form a part, and to any and all advances heretofore made or hereinafter to be made upon the security of said mortgage, deed of trust or other security instrument, and to any and all extensions, modifications, replacements thereof and changes therein, and Tenant in confirmation of such subordination shall on demand execute and deliver any further instrument that may be required by any mortgagee or by Landlord for the purpose of subordinating this lease to the lien of any such mortgage, deed of trust or other security instrument.

ASSIGNMENT  
AND  
SUBLETTING

15. Tenant shall not assign this lease or in any manner transfer any interest or benefit thereunder, or sublet the demised premises or any part or parts thereof, or permit the use of same by anyone other than an authorized occupant as reflected by Application for Apartment Lease, without the prior written consent of Landlord, and any such consent shall be limited to the instance stated therein and shall not be deemed to constitute a release, waiver or consent to any other assignment, transfer of interest or subletting.

SURRENDER  
OF  
POSSESSION

16. Tenant shall quietly and peaceably surrender the possession of and vacate the demised premises upon the termination or expiration of the term of this lease.



HOLDING  
OVER

17.

If Tenant shall continue to remain in the occupancy of the demised premises after the expiration of the term of this lease, there shall be thereby created a tenancy from month to month and all of the terms and conditions of this lease shall be applicable to such tenancy.

SECURITY  
DEPOSIT

18.

Simultaneously with the execution of this lease Tenant shall deposit with Landlord the sum of \$~~100.00~~<sup>100.00</sup>, which deposit shall be without interest, as security for the faithful performance by Tenant of all of the terms, conditions and provisions of this lease. If upon expiration of the term of this lease Tenant shall have fully performed all obligations required hereunder, such deposit shall be promptly refunded by Landlord.

RULES  
AND  
REGULATIONS

19.

Tenant and other authorized occupants of the demised premises shall observe and comply with the Rules and Regulations hereinafter set forth and such other and further Rules and Regulations as Landlord may from time to time prescribe for the safety, care and cleanliness of the building and the preservation of good order therein, and such Rules and Regulations hereinafter set forth or hereinafter prescribed are hereby made a part of this lease as if fully incorporated herein.

SERVICE  
OF  
NOTICE

20.

Any notice by Landlord to Tenant shall be deemed duly given if either delivered personally to Tenant, or left at the demised premises, or mailed by registered letter in a postpaid envelope addressed to Tenant in the building of which the demised premises form a part. Any notice by Tenant to Landlord shall be deemed duly given only if in writing and either delivered personally to an office of Landlord, or other agent of Landlord charged with the management of the building of which the demised premises are a part, or mailed by registered letter in a postpaid envelope addressed to Landlord at the address of said building as hereinabove stated. Tenant shall give Landlord 30 days notice prior to the date of vacating the premises.

QUIET  
ENJOYMENT

21.

Landlord covenants that so long as Tenant shall pay the rent hereunder reserved and shall perform the terms, conditions and provisions of this lease, Tenant shall quietly and peaceably enjoy the demised premises subject to the terms of this lease and to the mortgage, deed of trust or security document to which this lease was hereinabove made subordinate.

BINDING  
EFFECT

22.

The terms, covenants, conditions and provisions of this lease shall bind and insure to the benefit of Landlord and Tenant, and their respective heirs, executors, administrators, successors and, whenever herein authorized, their assigns.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Landlord and Tenant have respectively signed and sealed this lease as of the day and year first above written.

PEACHTREE TOWERS, INC.

By

*William G. Monahan*  
MANAGER

*RJ Nichol*  
TENANT

for  
*Southwest Engineering Co.*

THE LESSEE, FOR SUFFICIENT REASON, MAY TERMINATE THIS  
LEASE BY GIVING THIRTY DAYS WRITTEN NOTICE.

PEACHTREE TOWERS, INC.

BY: *[Signature]*

SOUTHEASTERN ENGINEERING COMPANY

BY: *RJ Nichols*  
*for*  
*Southeastern Engr. Co.*

11/12/63

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AIRMAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

J U N E

FROM: SAC, ATLANTA

(PERSONAL ATTENTION  
ASST. DIRECTOR SULLIVAN  
OR INSPECTOR SIZOO)

RE: COMINFIL  
RM  
ATLANTA DIVISION

Installation completed this matter  
November 8 last.

Symbol AT 1379-S\* assigned telephone number  
522-4596 and leased line obtained from Houston Street  
and Boulevard, Atlanta, to 300 West Peachtree Street, N.W.

Symbol AT 1380-S\* assigned telephone number  
524-1378 and leased line obtained from 328 Auburn Avenue,  
N. E., to 300 West Peachtree Street, N. W.

Symbol AT 1381-S\* assigned telephone number  
524-1379, leased line obtained from 328 Auburn Avenue,  
N. E., to 300 West Peachtree Street, N. W.

Symbol AT 1382-S\* assigned telephone number  
524-1370, leased line obtained from 328 Auburn Avenue,  
N. E., to 300 West Peachtree Street, N. W.

Symbol AT 1383-S\* assigned telephone number  
524-3151, leased line obtained from 328 Auburn Avenue,  
N. E., to 300 West Peachtree Street, N. W.

Monitoring operations instituted, results of  
which will be furnished Bureau.

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FILE (66-293)

6/23/66

SAC JOSEPH K. PONDER

AT 1380-S\*

Inspector JOSEPH A. SIZOO, Domestic Intelligence Division, called at 11:45 a.m. on 6/21/66. He instructed that our technical coverage on SCLC and MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. be discontinued immediately. He said this coverage should be discontinued in such a way that it can be re-established on short notice, but it is not to be re-established without specific Bureau instructions.

I told SIZOO we would discontinue this operation at once, but that we would not remove any of our equipment from the plant, and that we would leave an Agent on duty round the clock to insure the security of the installation. We will continue to man the plant for security reasons for about a week at the end of which time we will check with the Bureau for further instructions if none have been received in the meantime.

I called SA DAVIS then on duty at the plant at 11:55 AM and he at that time discontinued this source. The Bureau was subsequently advised by teletype that this source was discontinued at 11:55 a.m. 6/21/66.

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SAC (66-293)

6/29/66

ASAC EUGENE H. STEWART

AT 1380-S\*

This is to record that I talked with Inspector JOSEPH A. SIZOO, Domestic Intelligence Division, today at 11:45 a.m., and he verified that there had been no change in the discontinuance of this coverage as outlined by him on 6/21/66. He stated that after conferring with Assistant Director SULLIVAN that we should discontinue completely and that there were no current plans to reinstitute this coverage. I informed him that we would make a clean break and would give proper notice for the physical space and return personnel to other duties as soon as possible.

I informed Supervisor HARDING of the above and, it being noted that SA MILLER is in Cordele, Ga., physical arrangements will be made as soon as possible. Notice concerning the premises are to be given immediately on a 30-day vacating basis.

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**SOUTHEASTERN ENGINEERING COMPANY**

Post Office Box 583  
Atlanta, Georgia - 30301

July 1, 1966

Peachtree Towers, Inc.  
300 West Peachtree, N. W.  
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Gentlemen:

Enclosed herewith is cashier's check in amount of \$250.00 covering rent due July 1, 1966 for apartment 20 K.

This letter will also confirm my telephone call to Miss Jesse Abercrombie June 30, 1966 advising as of that date we were furnishing 30 days notice of vacating the aforementioned apartment. This notice is given pursuant to item 20 of lease dated October 23, 1963.

I will personally see that you are subsequently advised of the exact date of our departure and that keys are returned to you.

Yours truly,

R. J. Nichols  
Representative

Enclosure - 1

*Mailed 7/1/66 via Reg. Mail  
Return Receipt Requested  
Registered No. 170  
Receipt submitted to I-A  
Section of 100-6670-E*

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**SOUTHEASTERN ENGINEERING COMPANY**

Post Office Box 583  
Atlanta, Georgia 30301

July 27, 1966

Peachtree Towers, Inc.  
300 West Peachtree, N. W.  
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Gentlemen:

Re my letter July 1, 1966, concerning apartment  
20 K.

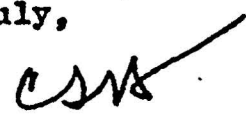
Enclosed herewith are two keys to apartment 20 K  
and one key to corresponding mailbox.

Please be advised we have vacated the apartment  
as of this date.

In the event you find subsequent correspondence  
necessary, kindly direct same to my attention at the above  
address.

Your gracious service during our occupancy has  
been appreciated.

Yours truly,



R. J. Nichols  
Representative

**Enclosures 3**

Mailed 7/27/66 via Registered Mail,  
Return Receipt Requested, Registered #

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REQUEST, SEPTEMBER 8, 1975

ITEM 45

*June*

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

*Memorandum*

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-116) DATE: 4/14/64  
 (PERSONAL ATTENTION:  
 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR W. C. SULLIVAN JUNE  
 FROM : DOMESTIC INTELLIGENCE DIVISION)  
 SAC, ATLANTA (100-6520-D)  
 SUBJECT: COMMUNIST PARTY, USA  
 NEGRO QUESTION  
 COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS  
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Reference is made to Bureau letter dated 4/1/64 which requested a reappraisal of the investigative efforts based on the past 90 days experience.

The following analysis in Atlanta is based on information furnished from various confidential sources and a review of files in conjunction therewith. It is pointed out that this office is not fully cognizant of all investigative endeavors and results therefrom that have transpired in this investigation to date, particularly as it relates to investigation conducted by auxiliary offices and their use of certain confidential investigative techniques.

In the analysis of this investigation it should further be borne in mind MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., is so closely related to the organization Southern Christian Leadership Conference which he founded that they are considered synonymous in reality. During January, 1964, KING in certain of his conversations had mentioned this very fact, his realization of this condition and that he was going to endeavor to elevate the character and picture of Southern Christian Leadership Conference as an organization rather than subvert Southern Christian Leadership Conference to his own personal name and esteem.

2- Bureau (100-3-116) (Personal Attention: Assistant Director W. C. Sullivan, Domestic Intelligence Division) (REGISTERED MAIL)  
 2- New York (100-151548) (Personal Attention: ASAC Donald E. Roney) (REGISTERED MAIL)

2- Atlanta (100-6520-D)

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A. Utilization of an Anonymous Source

Based on information made available and evaluation of same, consideration has been given to the utilization of an anonymous source; however, it is noted that on one occasion it was reported that STANLEY D. LEVISON had apparently provided \$500 in funds to be utilized for "night watchman purposes." It is further noted there are approximately 40 employees at this time in the Southern Christian Leadership Conference Office, whose hours of employment are most irregular and include weekends on occasions. It is considered that a physical surveillance of all employees of Southern Christian Leadership Conference for such an anonymous source development could not be conducted with sufficient discreetness to insure the success of this type operation. It is further noted that the building which houses the offices of Southern Christian Leadership Conference is also occupied by a Negro Radio Station which has most irregular hours for its employees. Another portion of the building is occupied and utilized for Lodge purposes and there is considerable traffic in and out of the building at unusual or irregular hours. This office space is located in an exclusively Negro neighborhood for approximately one mile in radius except for the downtown business district.

From the above the security problems are obvious; however, there is room to explore this further and our investigation will be designed to determine any weakness which we can exploit to our advantage.

B. Further Use of News Media

Sources have recently reported certain displeasures on the part of KING relating to statements attributed to ROY WILKINS, Head of the NAACP, which displeasures were resultant of statements made by WILKINS in regard to the Civil Rights Bill presently in Congress. KING indicated he was tired of WILKINS making these statements which in effect carried KING's concurrence when in fact KING had not been consulted.

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It is recommended that both the New York and Atlanta Office remain particularly alert for any further indications of a rift possibly developing between WILKINS and KING so that full utilization may be made of this incident.

If information is developed confirming such a disagreement a possible course of action may include the use of RALPH MCGILL, Publisher of the "Atlanta Constitution" in order to explore the basis of such disagreement and also to feed pertinent subversive connections and dealings of KING to WILKINS. It is unknown to Atlanta whether MCGILL is personally acquainted with WILKINS but it is known that MCGILL has been most cooperative with the Atlanta Office of the FBI and the Bureau and if he is acquainted with WILKINS, this could be considered.

It is further suggested the Bureau, through its respective auxiliary offices, may desire to discreetly furnish information to reliable news individuals who could report by story and photograph items which would show KING's high living and exorbitant spending. In this regard, it is noted that since February, KING has been in San Juan, Puerto Rico, Hawaii, Los Angeles, residing in the Hyatt House at \$75 per day and again in Nassau, B.W.I., under an assumed name. While it is realized that certain newspaper publicity might be favorable to KING it is believed that certain articles reporting this high living would have a distinct advantage of causing many Negro supporters of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference to lose faith in this organization, its leader and their endeavors and hence discontinue their support through the contribution of funds. It is realized that the bulk of the financial support comes from the white community but Negroes provide the numerical majority and support for demonstrations in the street.

Information has come to the attention of the Atlanta Office recently that RICHARD L. SEITZ, State News Editor for the "Atlanta Constitution" has been making inquiry in the Albany, Georgia, area regarding the reconstruction of the three Negro churches burned in that area during the

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summer of 1962. SHIPP has in the past written unfavorable articles regarding KING and the Southern Christian Leadership Conference as it relates to the employment of HUNTER PITTS O'DELL. He has also written regarding Civil Rights groups who have within their rank subversive sympathizers. Other articles authored by SHIPP have related to the delay in the reconstruction of these destroyed churches and he has also been critical of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference for its failure to make public records as to its financial affairs.

It is noted that funds, for the reconstruction of three Negro churches in the Albany area, were obtained through public solicitations initiated by the "Atlanta Constitution" and other organizations in Atlanta. The SCLC also solicited funds for this project and in so doing used the volunteer services of JACKIE ROBINSON to collect approximately \$65,000 throughout the U.S. SCLC in turn was in charge of the funds collected for this project and responsible for the disbursing of these funds to the contractors building the churches. It is further pointed out that the delay in the reconstruction of these churches has been primarily a result of the contractor not receiving funds from Southern Christian Leadership Conference on a periodic basis for the completion of these churches. It is suggested that the Bureau may desire to furnish to SHIPP on an anonymous basis, certain specific leads where he may develop the necessary data so that he may further write critical news stories which would be based on information obtained by him rather than by this agency. An example of this type of information would include furnishing the name and address of a Catholic priest from South Alabama, whose name is unknown to the Atlanta Office but possibly known to the Mobile Office, who after several years' affiliation with the Southern Christian Leadership Conference publically denounced this organization based on his experiences and knowledge of their financial dealings. This priest attributed to an SCLC Official a statement that they needed to have a demonstration in order to raise money. This was just prior to a large scale demonstration held in Birmingham, Alabama, in 1963.

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C. Background Investigation of Southern Christian  
Leadership Conference Employees

The Atlanta Office currently is maintaining separate files on all SCLC employees and is in the process of discreetly investigating the background of twelve key employees and associates in an effort to obtain some weakness that could be used for counter-intelligence activities. To date no pertinent data has been developed on these individuals which is recognized as an opportunity for counter-intelligence purposes with the exception of KING's girl friends' activities. Recommendations will be forthcoming if and when weaknesses are developed.

D. Disgruntled Employees

It is to be noted that Atlanta sources have disclosed recently that RUTH BAILEY, an employee of the New York office of SCLC, was discharged. She contacted an employee of the Atlanta Office of SCLC and showed her displeasure because her discharge date was prior to the notification date. In showing this displeasure she brought out that STANLEY LEVISON was in some way undesirable and that KING had been warned by unknown individuals about associating with him. Sources advised, however, that upon reconsideration SCLC retained the services of BAILEY. Atlanta suggests this matter be followed closely both in New York and in Atlanta and if the opportunity presents itself to exploit BAILEY's discontent. At this time, however, it is felt that because BAILEY was rehired that the time for appraising her should be delayed.

Sources further reported a certain trend of discontent and dissatisfaction on the part of employees in the Atlanta Office of SCLC based over preferential pay to individuals performing the same duties. This discontent has been temporarily alleviated by recent pay increases made to all employees.

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It is suggested that this area may present opportunities in the future from a counter-intelligence standpoint by the injection of false information with certain discontented employees such as EDWINA SMITH, the fiancée of HUNTER PITTS O'DELL.

E. Financial Dealings of KING and the Southern Christian Leadership Conference

Analysis of recently received tax returns through 1962 and Internal Revenue Service investigation of KING and the Southern Christian Leadership Conference for the years 1957, 1958 and 1959, reflects that the main question of contention was the status of money received by Southern Christian Leadership Conference. KING's contention was that these receipts were gifts, while Internal Revenue contends that income from business operations, namely SCLC, was in reality income.

Atlanta sources have recently reported that the Atlanta Retail Credit Company was furnished details to the effect that SCLC had received \$750,000 during 1963. Sources have also advised that one "WILLIE" RICHARDSON, Internal Revenue Service employee, was making a current income investigation regarding the Southern Christian Leadership Conference or one of their employees. Sources at Internal Revenue Service report that WILLIE RICHARDSON is the only Negro Internal Revenue Agent of the Atlanta Regional Office and has been so employed for approximately one year.

It is pointed out that KING has authored several books and it is believed that funds received from this authorship are the funds most difficult to report as gifts as KING's contention has been in the past, rather than as income.

From the return it is apparent that SCLC is classified as a tax-exempt organization; however, contributions to it are not allowable by the donor as a tax deductible contribution to a charity organization. SCLC is considered

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a tax-exempt civil organization. It is noted that in order to obtain this tax-exempt status, a petition must be filed by the organization with Internal Revenue Service, a copy of the organization's charter, By Laws, financial statements and a list of sizeable contributors to this organization is also filed.

It is suggested that the Bureau may desire to obtain through liaison further data available regarding SCLC and the basis of any current investigation being conducted on MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., or SCLC.

It is felt the list of contributors of sizeable gifts to SCLC may be important as with future information it may be possible to compare whether KING is recording all of his contributions as gifts or whether in fact, there is a discrepancy in the amount donated to SCLC and the amount KING reports as gifts. If such a discrepancy does exist it is likely KING is utilizing these funds for his own personal affairs.

It is believed that through various past incidents as reported by Atlanta sources a trend can be established to show collusion on the part of donors who are making contribution to SCLC by various and devious means. Points in contention in this regard relate to a sizeable contribution of funds collected at a benefit held in California by SALLY DAVIS, JR., the entertainer. It was proposed that these funds be made payable to a church in California. These funds were then forwarded by the church in California to Ebenezer Baptist Church, Atlanta, and thence to SCLC, or MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. personally.

Another point in contention relates to the recent gift by an unknown automobile dealer through a Reverend RICHARD BATTLES, Hartford, Connecticut, who contributed 12 automobiles to the SCLC for their use. Atlanta sources reported that this dealer was interested in establishing a capital loss in his business operations and was utilizing the gift of the vehicles in so doing. In order to establish



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this capital loss and as well claim a contribution, the vehicles were actually given to the West Hunter Baptist Church, the Ebenezer Baptist Church and to the United Church of Christ, Decatur, Georgia, all of which vehicles were to be made available to the SCLC.

It is further pointed out that Atlanta sources advised that SCLC is currently short on funds and is known to owe Darby Printing Company, Atlanta, approximately \$12,000.

It is believed that donors and creditors of SCLC present two important areas for counter-intelligence activities. In regard to the donors it is suggested that official SCLC stationery bearing KING's signature, copies of which are available to the Atlanta Office and will be furnished by separate communication to the Bureau Laboratory for reproduction purposes, be utilized in advising the donors that Internal Revenue Service is currently checking tax records of SCLC and that KING through this phoney correspondence wants to advise the donor insuring that he reported his gifts in accordance with Internal Revenue requirements so that he will not become involved in a tax investigation. It is believed such a letter of this type from SCLC may cause considerable concern and eliminate future contributions. From available information it is apparent that many of these contributors to SCLC are doing so in order to claim tax deductions and in order to be eligible for such deductions, the contribution is being made to the Ebenezer Baptist Church, which in turn is forwarded to KING or the Southern Christian Leadership Conference.

It is also proposed that pretext calls be placed to Darby Printing Company, impressing upon them the financial plight of SCLC so that they may be incited into collection efforts of the printing bill owed to them in the amount of \$12,000.

It is further suggested that investigative efforts be made in auxiliary offices to determine method used by



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KING in settling his accounts and if credit cards are used, appropriate checks of these credit card accounts may develop pertinent information regarding KING's financial dealings.

Atlanta confidential sources also advised that KING has a personal account in New York City and Atlanta, Georgia, at the Citizens Trust Company. The New York bank is unknown. There is also an SCLC banking account in New York City and Atlanta, Ga., also at the Citizens Trust Company. Mr. L. D. MILTON, President of the Citizens Trust Company, Atlanta, Georgia, has in the past been extremely cooperative with the Bureau in other investigative matters; however, it is known that he is personally acquainted and considered friendly with MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., and other members of his immediate family. It is therefore felt that the necessary monitoring of his bank account could not be effective with the desired security warranted in this investigation. It is noted that this bank is owned and operated entirely by members of the Negro race.

F. Subversive Information Regarding Southern  
Christian Leadership Conference Employees

It is noted that Reverend CORDY T. VIVIAN, Director of Affiliates of SCLC, was identified by a Springfield Informant in 1947 as a member of the Communist Party in Peoria, Illinois. Investigation regarding VIVIAN has been instituted to determine his activities since 1947 and whether he has any other subversive affiliations.

EDWINA SMITH, Secretary to the Program Director, Reverend ANDREW YOUNG, of SCLC, while not known personally to be affiliated with any subversive organization, is engaged to HUNTER PITTS O'DELL, a former SCLC employee, and is known to be in frequent contact with him. She has been responsible for the purchase of numerous copies of the publication "Freedomways" some of which were forwarded to SCLC Offices in Atlanta and others to an SCLC School at Dorchester, Georgia.

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To date there are no known other subversive affiliations on the part of employees of SCLC in the Atlanta Office. It is suggested that as a counter-intelligence move in this area, that the Bureau or New York may, through its sources or in other ways, establish publically the utilization of "Freedomways", and its connection with the Communist Party, by SCLC. *has been done*

G. Hide-Away

It is noted that the apartment frequently utilized by KING for his clandestine romances (FRED BENNETT's apartment) and ostensibly for writing and resting purposes, has been located at 3006 Delmar Lane, N.W., Atlanta, Georgia. It is noted that this apartment is on the ground floor level having a separate front and rear entrance. The apartment building is of two story construction with partial basement throughout. The apartment building is one of approximately seven buildings in a project all of which are occupied by members of the Negro race. This apartment project is surrounded on either side by other multi-dwelling unit Negro apartments. Directly behind the apartment occupied as a hide-away, a main line of the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad is located. On the other side of the railroad, approximately 150-200 yards away in a house occupied by JOHN C. ALLEN, the only white resident, from which the back entrance of the hide-away can be observed. ALLEN is a Plumbing Inspector for the City of Atlanta Construction Department. The Atlanta Police Department, Atlanta Credit Bureau and Atlanta indices have no record of ALLEN or his wife, MARIE. Possibly with a Zoomar lens during daylight hours and with field glasses, the rear entrance only of the hide-away could be covered from the ALLEN residence. However, the value of anything obtained from this type of coverage is not believed would add to information already known to the Atlanta Office. Therefore, no recommendations along these lines are being made from a physical coverage standpoint. It is noted that the front entrance is directly across a parking lot from an apartment occupied by JAMES BEVEL and his wife and small child. BEVEL is an employee of SCLC.

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Consideration has been given to requesting Bureau authority for a technical survey in this area; however, Atlanta sources have on numerous occasions indicated an interest on the part of KING and BENNETT of obtaining another apartment in another area. In the event this does not materialize, Bureau authority for technical survey of this facility will be requested. In regard to the utilization of a misur, it is noted that the same basic security problem of an all Negro neighborhood is involved.

#### SCLC Office

Recently certain modifications have been made in the office space occupied by SCLC. Quarters were enlarged and additional employees hired. It is unknown but believed that additional telephone facilities may have been obtained and are possibly being installed at this time. Atlanta will in the near future, through sources, determine what facilities now service the office and make appropriate recommendations therefrom.

The Atlanta Office will, by separate communication, request Bureau authority for making a survey relating to possible installation of trash cover in the office facilities of SCLC.

The above analysis is being set forth with certain recommendations bearing in mind the main objective of this investigation is to determine extent of communist influence in racial matters and as to how the effectiveness of KING can be neutralized or discredited, either through communist connections, his moral degradation, or his financial operations.

1 Mr. Ryan  
1 Mr. Rosack  
1 Mr. Phillips

SAC, Atlanta (100-6520)

June 9, 1964

Director, FBI (100-3-116)

PERSONAL ATTENTION

COMMUNIST PARTY, USA  
MEMO TO DIRECTOR  
COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS IN RACIAL MATTERS  
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

Reurlet April 14, 1964, which set out an analysis and evaluation of progress being made in investigation relative to captioned matter as well as suggestions for exploring new avenues of investigation.

It was stated that Bill Shipp, State News Editor, "Atlanta Constitution," has been making inquiry in the Albany, Georgia, area regarding the reconstruction of the three Negro churches burned in that area during the summer of 1958. Shipp has in the past written unfavorable articles regarding Martin Luther King, Jr., and the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC). He has also written regarding civil rights groups having within their ranks subversive sympathizers. Your office suggested giving consideration to furnishing Shipp on an anonymous basis certain specific leads where he may develop the necessary data so that he may further write critical stories. As an example of the type of information considered, you noted that a Catholic priest from south Alabama, name unknown to your office but possibly known to the Mobile Office, had publicly denounced the SCLC after several years' affiliation with that group based upon the priest's experiences and knowledge of the financial dealings of the SCLC.

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The Bureau believes that this general suggestion merits further consideration with the exception of possibly leading Shipp to the Catholic priest. The Bureau will entertain any recommendations you may desire to make relative to specific information which may be furnished to Shipp including suggestions as to how it should be furnished to him.

As to the Catholic priest, you are instructed to correspond with the Mobile Office and set out any other leads necessary to identify the priest and give consideration to an

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interview of him. The interview should not be conducted without prior Bureau authority. Your recommendation for such interview should contain full available information concerning the individual and full justification for the interview. Insure that any other offices covering leads in this matter are especially cautioned relative to the absolute necessity for discretion.

Bolet furnished an analysis of known information concerning King's Atlanta "hide-away" (the apartment of his associate Fred Bennett). Follow closely the considerations of King and Bennett toward obtaining another apartment to replace the present "hide-away." If another apartment is obtained, give close consideration to the development of sensitive-type coverage. In the event a change in apartment does not take place within a reasonable period of time, give further consideration to the effecting of sensitive-type coverage in the current apartment.

By a separate letter to the New York Office, a copy of which was furnished to your office, instructions were issued looking toward the possible location of a personal bank account of King in New York City.

The matters dealt with herein are to be handled on a need-to-know basis in your office.

RE - HOUSTUDY 62-116464-

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J. Edgar Hoover  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

SSG request 9/12/75 for material re Martin Luther King, Jr. & SCLC. Request for material to be sent to SSG is only of memo in response to 9/12/75 request. Also advise in copy of memo being divd to u & set of materials being divd to the SAC.



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# ROUTE IN ENVELOPE

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JUNE

January 17, 1969

Memorandum to: Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation

From: Ramsey Clark  
Attorney General

Re:

The memoranda listed below requesting approval of wiretaps or electronic surveillances which I have not heretofore approved are being returned at this time denied. For a number of reasons I have not felt any of them have been sufficiently justified by the evidence presented. This does not, of course, prejudice their resubmission if additional evidence supporting the request is presented, or their review by a subsequent administration.

Nikolay Andrianovich Foshin

Internal Security - Russia

Your memorandum dated December 13, 1968

Dimitri Ivanovich Yakuskin

Internal Security - Russia

Your memorandum dated December 16, 1968

Organization of Arab Students In the United States of America

Internal Security - Middle East

Palestine Liberation Organization

Internal Security - Middle East

Your memorandum dated December 12, 1968

Ignacio Gonzalez

Internal Security - Russia

Your memorandum dated November 27, 1968

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Victor Marciano Santiago

Internal Security - Puerto Rican Nationalist

Your memorandum dated November 26, 1963

Abba Eban

Internal Security - Israel

Your memorandum dated October 21, 1963

Leib Kanner, also known as Henry Cohen

Internal Security - China

Your memorandum dated October 13, 1963

Office of the Agricultural Counselor, Soviet Embassy  
Washington, D. C.

Your memorandum dated October 10, 1963

Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee

Racial Matters

Your memorandum dated September 15, 1963

Dorothy Dewberry

Your memorandum dated August 21, 1963

Russell Charles Meek

Your memorandum dated August 16, 1963

Ley K. Yagorshnikov

Internal Security - Russia

Your memorandum dated August 5, 1963

Tanzanian Mission to the United Nations

Internal Security - Tanzania

Your memorandum dated July 29, 1963

Juan Mari Roca

Espionage - Cuba

Your memorandum dated July 13, 1963

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Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee  
Racial Matters

Your memorandum dated June 27, 1968

Joseph Vinson

Your memorandum dated June 20, 1968

Fred Allen Hampton

Your memorandum dated June 18, 1968

Jesus Jimenez Escobar

Internal Security - Cuba

Your memorandum dated June 24, 1968

Students for a Democratic Society

Internal Security - Students for a Democratic Society

Your memorandum dated May 21, 1968

Jerry Clyde Rubin

Security Matter - Communist

Your memorandum dated May 13, 1968

Lawrence Aloysius Landry

Your memorandum dated May 10, 1968

African-American Heritage Association

Your memorandum dated April 23, 1968

Robert Alfonso Brown

Your memorandum dated April 13, 1968

Communist Infiltration

Southern Christian Leadership Conference

Your memorandum dated April 2, 1968

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Office of the Attorney General  
Washington, D. C.

JUNE

January 3, 1968

Mr. Tolson	✓
Mr. DeLoach	✓
Mr. Mohr	✓
Mr. Bishop	✓
Mr. Casper	✓
Mr. Callahan	✓
Mr. Conrad	✓
Mr. Felt	✓
Mr. Gale	✓
Mr. Rosen	✓
Mr. Sullivan	✓
Mr. Tavel	✓
Mr. Trotter	✓
Tele. Room	✓
Miss Holmes	✓
Miss Gandy	✓

Memorandum to: Mr. John Edgar Hoover, Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation

From: Ramsey Clark  
Attorney General

Re: Communist Infiltration  
Southern Christian Leadership Conference  
Your memorandum dated January 2, 1968

I am declining authorization of the requested installation of the above telephone surveillance at the present time. There has not been an adequate demonstration of a direct threat to the national security. Should further evidence be secured of such a threat, or re-evaluation desired, please resubmit.

Other investigative activities should be undertaken to provide intelligence necessary to the protection of the national interest.

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# ROUTE IN ENVELOPE

July 26, 1963

Airtel

1 - Mr. Millen  
(Room 7112 JB)  
1 - Mr. Eland  
1 - Mr. Donohue  
1 - Mr. Shaw

To: SAC, Atlanta

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From: Director, FBI ~~(100-34116)~~

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
SECURITY MATTER - C

Reurtel 7/24/63 "Communist Influence in Racial Matters" advising technical surveillance feasible on residence of Martin Luther King, Jr., as well as Southern Christian Leadership Conference.

The Attorney General has disapproved technical coverage on King and the Southern Christian Leadership Conference. Therefore, no further action is to be taken in this matter.

1 - Birmingham  
1 - Mobile

## NOTE:

Memorandum Evans to Belmont 7/25/63 discloses that the Attorney General orally advised on 7/25/63 that he now considers request for technical coverage on King that he made 7/16/63 to be ill advised; that in view of King's constant travel status there was considerable doubt that productivity of technical coverage would be worth the risk. Therefore we are instructing Atlanta to take no further action in this matter.

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## Memorandum

TO : Mr. Belmont

DATE: June 25, 1963

FROM : C. A. Evans

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SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

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The Attorney General orally informed me today that he had been considering the request he made on July 16, 1963, for a technical surveillance on Martin Luther King at his home and office and was now of the opinion that this would be ill advised.

At the time the Attorney General initially asked for such a surveillance, he was told there was considerable doubt that the productivity of the surveillance would be worth the risk because King travels most of the time and that there might be serious repercussions should it ever become known the Government had instituted this coverage. These were the very thoughts that the Attorney General expressed today in withdrawing his request.

With reference to the other technical surveillance requested at the same time, namely, the one on Clarence Benjamin Jones, the Attorney General felt this was in a different category and we should go forward with this coverage. It is noted that this was previously approved in writing by the Attorney General.

The memorandum we sent to the Attorney General on July 23, 1963, requesting authority for the King surveillance has been retrieved and is attached.

ACTION TO BE TAKEN:

We will take no further action to effect technical coverage on Martin Luther King, either at his home or at his office at the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, in the absence of a further request from the Attorney General.

Enclosure

1 - Mr. Sullivan  
 1 - Mr. Rosen

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to  
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WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

July 23, 1963

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

RE: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
SECURITY MATTER - COMMUNIST

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Respectfully,

*J. Edgar Hoover*  
John Edgar Hoover  
Director

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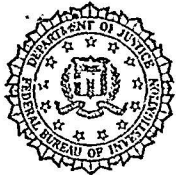
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December 1, 1965

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

RE: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

1 - Mr. Belmont  
1 - Miss Holmes  
1 - Mr. Sullivan  
1 - Mr. Bland  
1 - Mr. Baumgardner  
1 - Mr. Donohue  
1 - Mr. Phillips

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Respectfully,

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October 19, 1965

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

RE: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

1 - Mr. Belmont  
1 - Miss Holmes  
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Respectfully,

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John Edgar Hoover  
Director

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*J. Edgar Hoover*  
John Edgar Hoover  
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JUNE

May 17, 1965

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

RE: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

1 - Mr. Belmont  
1 - Mr. Sullivan  
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On May 12, 1965, information was obtained indicating a meeting of King and his advisors was to take place in New York City on that date. Because of the importance of the meeting and the urgency of the situation, a microphone surveillance was effected May 12, 1965, on King in Suite 1630, Sheraton Atlantic Hotel, 34th Street and Broadway Avenue, New York City. This surveillance involved trespass and was discontinued on May 13, 1965.

Respectfully,

John Edgar Hoover  
Director

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*J. Edgar Hoover*  
John Edgar Hoover  
Director

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FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-100000)  
SUBJECT: [Illegible]

RE: NEW YORK TELETYPE TO BUREAU, MAY 18, 1965.  
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## United States Senate

### SELECT COMMITTEE TO STUDY GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS WITH RESPECT TO INTELLIGENCE ACTIVITIES

(PURSUANT TO S. RES. 21, 94TH CONGRESS)

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

September 29, 1975

Attorney General Edward H. Levi  
Department of Justice  
Washington, D.C. 20530

Dear Mr. Levi:

At the close of his testimony on September 25, Mr. Charles Brennan, former Chief of Domestic Intelligence Division, indicated that he could not answer a question posed to him by me. The question relates to the status of a so-called "closed" FBI Domestic Intelligence case file. Suppose that the individual who is subject of the file is a member of the military service or applies for employment with a federal government agency, and the agency requests an FBI name check. What information would be provided to the federal agency by the FBI as the result of that name check? What information would be provided to that agency if the FBI conducted a background investigation on that individual?

With respect to surreptitious entries for the purpose of installing electronic surveillance equipment, which are referred to on page three of the September 24, 1975 letter from Michael E. Shaheen, Jr., to myself, I would appreciate answers to the following additional questions:

1. What has been the number of such entries for each year since 1960?
2. What has been the number of separate targets for each year since 1960?
3. What has been the total number of separate targets since 1960?

I would also request access, under agreed upon procedures, to a list of such targets, and the dates of the entries.

Sincerely,

*Frank Church*

Frank Church  
Chairman

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Addressee: Senate Select Committee

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Caption of Document: Re request 9/29/75 for info con-  
cerning surreptitious entries for purposes  
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2 - Mr. J. A. Mintz  
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The Attorney General

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1 - Mr. F. J. Cassidy  
1 - Mr. H. W. Porter

UNITED STATES SENATE SELECT COMMITTEE  
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Reference is made to the letter of September 29, 1975, to Attorney General Edward H. Levi, from Senator Frank Church, Chairman, SSC, requesting information concerning surreptitious entries conducted by the FBI for the purpose of installing electronic surveillance equipment.

Enclosed in response to the above request for your approval and forwarding to the Committee is the original of a memorandum dated October 17, 1975. A copy has been enclosed for your records.

A list of specific targets has been prepared and is available for review under agreed upon procedures.

Enclosures (2)

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1 - The Deputy Attorney General

Attention: Michael E. Shaheen, Jr.

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Special Counsel for

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1 - October 17, 1975

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U. S. SENATE SELECT COMMITTEE TO  
STUDY GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS WITH  
RESPECT TO INTELLIGENCE ACTIVITIES (SSC)

RE: REQUEST PERTAINING TO SURREPTITIOUS  
ENTRIES FOR INSTALLATION OF  
ELECTRONIC SURVEILLANCE

Reference is made to the letter of September 29, 1975, to Attorney General Edward H. Levi, from Senator Frank Church, Chairman, SSC, requesting information concerning surreptitious entries for the purpose of installing electronic surveillance equipment. Senator Church, in his letter, posed the following questions with respect to such surreptitious entries:

1. What has been the number of such entries for each year since 1960?
2. What has been the number of separate targets for each year since 1960?
3. What has been the total number of separate targets since 1960?

With respect to surreptitious entries for installation of electronic surveillance equipment (microphone) in connection with targets of counterintelligence, internal security, and intelligence collection investigations, the following information is set forth:

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Re: Request Pertaining to Surreptitious  
Entries for Installation of  
Electronic Surveillance

Our records show that during any given calendar year, there exist a number of microphone surveillances in operation. These include: (1) microphones installed during a previous year and continued in operation, (2) microphones installed during a previous year and discontinued, then reactivated during the given year, (3) multiple microphone installations during the year at one or different locations on the same target, (4) microphones installed, discontinued, and reactivated during the year.

Records from which the following statistics were compiled were designed to be a central repository of information concerning the identity of targets of microphone surveillances, i.e. who, when, and where. These records do not show the method of installation of the microphone. In some cases, installation of a microphone involves a surreptitious entry; however, there are a number of instances where physical entry is not necessary. For example, microphones may be encapsulated in articles being sent into the target premises. Also, microphones may be installed prior to occupancy of the individual, or group, upon whom the surveillance is to be conducted. In summary, to determine if actual, physical entry was made during the installation of a microphone surveillance, it would be necessary to conduct an extensive review of files at FBIHQ and in the field office wherein the activity occurred. Accordingly, Category (1), which follows, has been amended to show the number of installations since 1960.

The following statistics are current through  
June, 1975.

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Re: Request Pertaining to Surreptitious  
Entries for Installation of  
Electronic Surveillance

1. Number of Installations Since 1960	2. Number of Separate Targets Each Year Since 1960
1960 49	47
1961 63	53
1962 75	59
1963 79	64
1964 80	58
1965 59	41
1966 4	4
1967 0	0
1968 9	9
1969 8	7
1970 15	13
1971 6	6
1972 22	21
1973 18	18
1974 9	9
1975 13	11

3. Total Number of Separate  
Targets Since 1960:

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Re: Request Pertaining to Surreptitious  
Entries for Installation of  
Electronic Surveillance

The following is set forth with respect to  
surreptitious entries for microphone installations in  
criminal investigations:

From January 1, 1960, to January 1, 1966, there  
were a number of microphone installations made in connection  
with criminal investigations. From January 1, 1966, through  
1968, there were no installations, and thereafter, microphone  
installations have been made by the General Investigative  
and Special Investigative Divisions under authority of a  
court order and in accordance with provisions of Title III  
of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968.  
We have been able to identify through recollection of  
Special Agent personnel and review of records at FBIHQ,  
installations which are included in the following statistics;  
however, there exists no central file or index detailing  
entries for all microphone installations during the period  
January 1, 1960, to January 1, 1966. Consequently, statistics  
are limited to those activities we have been able to identify  
and retrieve from our files.

The following statistics are current through  
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Re: Request Pertaining to Surreptitious  
Entries for Installation of  
Electronic Surveillance

	1. Number of Entries Since 1960	2. Number of Separate Targets Each Year Since 1960
1960	11	11
1961	69	49
1962	106	84
1963	84	66
1964	83	67
1965	41	35
1966	0	0
1967	0	0
1968	0	0
1969	3	3
1970	8	8
1971	7	6
1972	19	18
1973	27	20
1974	22	21
1975	11	8

3. Total Number of Separate  
Targets Since 1960:

316

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Re: Request Pertaining to Surreptitious  
Entries for Installation of  
Electronic Surveillance

Lists of specific targets of electronic surveillance have been prepared for review by Senator Church, and appropriate FBIHQ officials are available for a discussion of these lists.

1 - The Attorney General

NOTE:

Memorandum prepared in response to Senator Church's request for data on surreptitious entries for installation of electronic surveillance equipment. Church's request includes information regarding entries in criminal investigations. That information has been included in the enclosure. Lists identifying specific targets, by Division, are being prepared for review by Senator Church.

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1 - Mr. J. E. Adams  
1 - Mr. J. A. Hintz  
1 - Mr. W. R. Wannall

The Attorney General

November 3, 1975

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Director, FBI

1 - Mr. P. E. Nugent  
1 - Mr. J. W. Dalseg

TESTIMONY OF NICHOLAS deD. KATZENBACH  
BEFORE THE CHURCH COMMITTEE

Reference is made to Deputy Attorney General Tyler's memorandum to me dated October 6, 1975, captioned as above.

In accordance with the Deputy Attorney General's request, Mr. Katzenbach was interviewed by representatives of this Bureau in New York City on October 22, 1975. A memorandum setting forth the results of this interview is enclosed.

No further action is being taken in this matter pending instructions from you or Mr. Tyler.

Enclosures (2)

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1 - The Deputy Attorney General (Enclosure)

1 - New York (Enclosure)

(Personal Attention SAC James O. Ingram)

NOTE FOR SAC, NEW YORK:

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The file numbers of the documents referred to in the enclosed memorandum are as follows: the 5/17/65 memorandum is 100-106670-1575; the 10/19/65 memorandum is 100-106670-1990; the 12/1/65 memorandum is 100-106670-2183; the 12/10/65 handwritten note from Mr. Katzenbach to Mr. Hoover is 100-106670-2184; and the 9/27/65 memorandum from Mr. Katzenbach to the Director, FBI, captioned "Special Investigative Techniques," is 66-3160-2580X1.

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Mr. Katzenbach commented during the interview on 10/22/75 that he had disapproved a telephone surveillance involving King on 4/25/65. Bureau "June" files for the April, and May, 1965, period with the subjects of Martin Luther King

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The Attorney General

NOTE FOR SAC, NEW YORK, CONTINUED:

(100-106670), Southern Christian Leadership Conference (100-438794) and Communist Influence in Racial Matters (100-442529) were reviewed in an attempt to locate a document indicating disapproval on 4/25/65 of a telephone surveillance involving King. A direct disapproval of a telephone surveillance involving King was not located. A memorandum to the Attorney General dated 5/5/65 indicates the FBI had been operating a telephone surveillance of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, an organization headed up by King, and that, unless advised to the contrary, this telephone surveillance would continue for another six months. This document has initials in the upper right-hand corner which appear to be those of Mr. Katzenbach (100-442529-1051).

The National Security Electronic Surveillance (NSES) file located in Special Records and Related Research Unit, IS-3, INTD contains following documents:

(1) The original of a memorandum to the Attorney General dated 5/24/65, captioned "Stanley David Levison, Internal Security - Communist" requesting authority to install a technical surveillance directed to Levison's residence. Levison is characterized as a close advisor of King. This document states "King and Levison personally met in New York City on May 13, 1965, at which time Levison advised King concerning voter registration activities in Alabama and also urged that King support demands for peace in Vietnam." The 5/17/65 memorandum shown to Mr. Katzenbach on 10/22/75 reports King had been the subject of a trespassory microphone surveillance in New York City on 5/13/65. This 5/24/65 original memorandum regarding Levison in the lower left-hand corner following the word approved has initials which appear to be those of Mr. Katzenbach. Beneath the initials is the handwritten date of 5/25/65. In addition, there is a handwritten notation which reads, "you should discontinue if at any time L. is acting as attorney for clients litigating with the U. S." This notation is followed by initials which appear to be those of Mr. Katzenbach.

(2) The original of a memorandum to the Attorney General dated 5/27/65, captioned "Clarence Benjamin Jones, Security Matter - C" which states unless the Attorney General instructs to the contrary, technical surveillance of Jones at

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NOTE FOR SAC, NEW YORK, CONTINUED:

his law office and residence will be continued for an additional six months. The memorandum reports information gained from the surveillance regarding Jones' contacts with King. The memorandum has a handwritten notation in the lower left-hand corner which reads, "Mr. Hoover -- Problem here is the law office. O.K. if we have absolutely no litigation with this firm," followed by initials which appear to be those of Mr. Katzenbach.

(3) The original of a memorandum to the Attorney General dated 6/4/65, captioned "Bayard Rustin - Security Matter - Communist" which states Rustin is frequently an advisor to King, reports information regarding King gained probably as result of technical coverage and states unless the Attorney General instructs to the contrary, technical coverage of Rustin will continue for an additional six months. This document has initials in the upper right-hand corner which appear to be those of Mr. Katzenbach.

During the 10/22/75 interview Mr. Katzenbach stated he could not recall any instance of microphones being installed and the FBI advising him of this action after the fact other than those involving King. The NSES file contains five original documents dated in the period 4/23/65 to 12/3/65 advising the Attorney General of microphone installations that are being made on a contemporaneous basis (i.e., the installation is being made on the same date as the communication to the Attorney General) or after the fact. Two are dated 4/23/65; one is dated 6/2/65; one is dated 6/9/65; and one is dated 12/3/65. All have initials in the upper right-hand corner which appear to be those of Mr. Katzenbach.

The above is being furnished to the New York Office for their information in the event the Department desires additional interview and/or investigation of Mr. Katzenbach.

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1 - Mr. J. A. Mintz  
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1 - Mr. J. W. Dalseg

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November 3, 1975

INTERVIEW WITH MR. NICHOLAS CARL KATZENBACH

On October 22, 1975, Mr. Nicholas Carl Katzenbach was interviewed in his office located at the firm of Cravath, Swaine, and Moore, 100 Church Street, New York, New York, by Special Agent John W. Dalseg, Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) Headquarters, and Special Agent in Charge James O. Ingram, of the New York Office.

Mr. Katzenbach was initially advised that Deputy Attorney General Harold E. Tylor, Jr., had requested that representatives of the FBI contact him with respect to certain documents relating to electronic surveillances of Martin Luther King, Jr. Mr. Katzenbach acknowledged that he was familiar with the purpose of the interview since he had been in contact with Deputy Attorney General Tylor.

The original copies of memoranda from Director J. Edgar Hoover addressed to the Attorney General dated May 17, 1965, October 19, 1965, and December 1, 1965, all captioned "Martin Luther King, Jr.," were made available to Mr. Katzenbach along with the original copy of a handwritten note from Mr. Katzenbach to Mr. Hoover dated December 10, 1965, which referred to "particularly delicate surveillances."

It was pointed out to Mr. Katzenbach it was believed that there was some question regarding whether or not the initials in the upper right-hand corner of the documents dated May 17, 1965, October 19, 1965, and December 1, 1965, were his initials. The December 1, 1965, memorandum has handwritten initials in the upper right-hand corner along with the handwritten date of December 10, 1965. Mr. Katzenbach observed the documents and stated there was no doubt in his mind that the handwritten note dated December 10, 1965, addressed to Mr. Hoover was in fact written by him.

ENCLOSURE

With regard to the documents bearing initials in the upper right-hand corner dated May 17, 1965, October 19, 1965, and December 1, 1965, Mr. Katzenbach stated that while he had no specific recollection of the documents, he had no reason to

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Interview with Mr. Nicholas deB. Katzenbach

believe the initials were not his. Mr. Katzenbach stated he had been in his office and was totally available on each of the dates of the documents. He stated he believed that May 17, 1965, was a Monday and that he had traveled to New York City or Chicago on Thursday of that week. He stated he was in Chicago on the afternoon of October 19, 1965, but had returned to his office that evening. On December 10, 1965, he had been totally available in his office.

While observing the initials on each of the documents, Mr. Katzenbach commented the initials on the December 1, 1965, document look very much like his; but the handwritten date December 10, 1965, did not look like his; he stated he had little hesitation in identifying the initials on the May 17, 1965, document as his. He stated that he is somewhat hesitant in identifying the initials on the October 19, 1965, document as his. In referring to the documents totally, he stated that he had no reason to believe that they are not in fact his initials.

Mr. Katzenbach was asked if anyone in his office at that time had been authorized to initial such documents for him. He replied no one had such authorization and stated it was his normal practice to initial documents of this type in the upper right-hand corner as an indication that he had read them.

The original of a memorandum from Mr. Katzenbach to the Director, FBI, dated September 27, 1965, captioned "Special Investigative Techniques," was shown to Mr. Katzenbach. It was pointed out to Mr. Katzenbach that Deputy Attorney General Tyler had requested that this document be shown to him. Mr. Katzenbach stated he well recalled the document and that it was in response to a memorandum from the FBI regarding the cutting off of the use of such techniques. Mr. Katzenbach's attention was called to comments on the second page, second paragraph, with reference to trespassory microphone surveillances stating that such techniques may be utilized in emergency situations subject to his later ratification. Mr. Katzenbach stated he recalled this statement and indicated he was well aware that the documents dated October 19, 1965, and December 1, 1965, were subsequent to the September 27, 1965, memorandum. He stated he was unable to recall any other instances where electronic surveillances were brought to his attention after the fact.

Interview with Mr. Nicholas deB. Katzenbach

Mr. Katzenbach commented his difficulty in understanding his actions in initialing the memoranda dated May, October, and December, 1965, grows from the fact that he recalls having disapproved a request for a telephone surveillance on Martin Luther King on April 25, 1965. Since he disapproved a request for a telephone surveillance of King in April, 1965, he stated he is at a loss to understand what he was thinking of in initialing a memorandum in May, 1965, which stated King had been the subject of a microphone surveillance.

Mr. Katzenbach stated he recalled that documents relating to electronic surveillances were brought to his office by one of the ladies in Mr. Hoover's office, one who he recalled as being rather large; that these documents were given to his secretary who brought them directly to him. He stated that they were usually in and out of his office on the same day. Mr. Katzenbach commented he did not keep copies of such documents in 1965, but that he began the practice of keeping copies in 1966.

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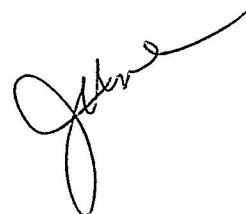
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TO : MR. W. C. SULLIVAN

DATE: 10-22-63

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FROM : MR. J. A. SIZOO

SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
SECURITY MATTER - C

COMMUNIST PARTY, USA  
NEGRO QUESTION

COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS  
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

1-Mr. Sullivan  
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1-Mr. Bland  
1-Mr. Baumgardner  
1-Mr. J.D. Donohue  
1-Mr. Forsyth

1-Mr. Phillips

Memorandum Sizoo to Sullivan 10-18-63 set forth certain requests of SAC McMahon of the Atlanta Office in connection with the monitoring of technical installations under consideration in connection with captioned matter.

On 10-21-63, SAC McMahon was advised that the technical installations on the residence of King and the Headquarters of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) had been approved. He was also advised that his request for the expenditure of \$250 per month for a monitoring plant outside of the Atlanta Office was approved. In connection with Atlanta's request for the services of an outside sound man in connection with these installations, he was advised that the services of Special Agent William F. Heist of the Miami Office should be obtained. (SAC McMahon is to arrange with the Miami Office for the presence of Special Agent Heist when he is needed. Heist's personnel file shows nothing which would prevent such an assignment.) McMahon was also advised that his request for additional technical equipment was being handled by a separate teletype sent to him on 10-21-63. He was advised that if any question arises as to the need of the Atlanta Office for additional equipment, SA Baker of the Electronics Section of the Laboratory is thoroughly familiar with the equipment already ordered and sent to Atlanta.

## ACTION:

None, for information. This memorandum records the following:

1) Authorization for Atlanta to install technical coverage of King at 563 Johnson Avenue, N.E., Atlanta, Georgia, and on the Headquarters of the SCLC, 330 Auburn Avenue, N.E., Atlanta, Georgia. (SAC McMahon is to furnish the date and time installed and the symbol number of each installation and is to furnish a separate, complete justification and evaluation of the results of the coverage within 30 days of installation.)

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Re: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
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NEGRO QUESTION  
COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS  
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

2) Authorization for expenditure of \$250 per month for monitoring plant.

3) Authorization to arrange with Miami Office for the services of Special Agent William F. Heist for installation of technical equipment.

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Mr. W. C. Sullivan

10-18-63

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Mr. J. A. Sizoo

1-Mr. Belmont  
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1-Mr. Forsyth

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
SECURITY MATTER - C

COMMUNIST PARTY, USA  
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COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS  
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

SAC McMahon of Atlanta called today and made reference to your telephone call to him on 10-15-63 instructing that he conduct a survey and determine the feasibility of monitoring the technical installations the Bureau has under consideration in connection with captioned matter from a location outside the Atlanta Office. McMahon advised that he had given this matter considerable thought and he had come to the conclusion and recommends that, for security reasons, if these technical installations are approved, they not be monitored in the Atlanta Office but in an apartment which is available to that office across the street in an apartment hotel. He advised that this apartment can be rented in a fictitious name and that a plant could be operated in that apartment with complete security. He said he contemplated having two mature, experienced Agents monitor the plant. He said the apartment would cost \$250 a month and that he would need to pay two months' rent in advance.

McMahon said that he had evaluated the installations from a technical point of view and said they can be put in with full security. He said he would, however, need the services of an outside sound man since his sound man is known to King and possibly others. I told him this would be handled with the Laboratory. He said he would need the following additional equipment: (1) one complete Dial recorder; (2) three tape recorders; (3) one tape Transcriber unit; (4) one box of Dial record tape; (5) one box of magnetic recording tape. McMahon said that this equipment would all be in use and this would not allow for spare equipment; that if the Laboratory had such additional equipment available it might be desirable to send one additional set of each of the above items so that they would have spare equipment.

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Memorandum to Mr. Sullivan  
Re: Martin Luther King, Jr.

ACTION:

In view of the information which McMahon furnished by telephone, I told him it would not be necessary to answer the Bureau's airtel of 10-14-63 in the Martin Luther King case. I told him he would be subsequently given instructions whether or not he should make the installations involved in this matter.

A separate memorandum is being prepared in this connection to obtain the Attorney General's authority to make the installations on the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC).

We have already received the Attorney General's authority to install on King's residence telephone.

RECOMMENDATION:

That, if the Attorney General approves the installations on the SCLC office in Atlanta, the Atlanta Office be authorized to rent the apartment in question and monitor these installations from that location.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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DATE: 11/4/63

FROM : SAC JAMES E. McMAHON

SUBJECT: COMINFIL  
RM

On 10/21/63 Inspector JOE SIZOO telephonically contacted the Atlanta Office and advised that it was o.k. for us to rent the apartment which we had surveyed for \$250.00 per month and to go ahead with the necessary installation of the five leased lines on the SCLC and one line on the residence of MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. He said that when all of this had been done and the leased lines had been connected, Atlanta should call Miami and request them to send SA BILL HEIST to make the final installation. Mr. SIZOO said that the additional equipment which we had previously requested was being forwarded separately to Atlanta. He further stated that when this installation is made we should furnish the Bureau immediately the date and time of installation, symbols for the five lines, and at the end of thirty days submit an evaluation with recommendations for its continuance or discontinuance. He further stated that any mail sent to the Bureau should bear the caption, "COMINFIL, RACIAL MATTER, ATLANTA DIVISION," Personal Attention Asst. Director W. C. SULLIVAN or Inspector JOSEPH SIZOO, Domestic Intelligence Division.

I told him we would go ahead in accordance with his instructions.

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# Memorandum

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DATE: 11/4/63

FROM : SAC JAMES E. McMAHON

SUBJECT: COMINFIL  
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Remymemo dated 10/17/63 captioned, "MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR," which relates to a confidential technical installation.

On 10/17/63 SA ROBERT R. NICHOLS ascertained that he could rent an apartment in the Peachtree Towers Apartments, 300 West Peachtree Street, Atlanta, Apartment 20-K, on the 20th floor. The apartment has a living room and one bedroom and rents for \$250.00 per month furnished. SA NICHOLS has been given the cover of RICHARD NICHOLS, Southeastern Engineering Company, 106 Hampton Street, Columbia, S. C. He has been given the names of two references if it is necessary to supply references to the apartment manager. They are Mr. JACK GILLESPIE and ASA CANDLER.

~~CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE AND CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE~~  
The above two references are individuals in the city of Atlanta who are very reliable and are close to the FBI. Both of these references know nothing whatsoever about this matter but both readily agreed that if they are contacted concerning Mr. RICHARD NICHOLS of Southeastern Engineering Company, Columbia, S. C., they will give the necessary recommendations.

Pertinent information above concerning the apartment rental, the fact that we need several days to obtain five leased lines from the Telephone Company, plus one additional telephone in the apartment, was telephonically furnished to Inspector JOE SIZOO at the Bureau on 10/17/63, at which time authority was requested to rent the apartment and order the leased lines from the Telephone Company. Inspector SIZOO said he would let us know when this was approved.

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PEACHTREE TOWERS APARTMENT LEASE

STATE OF GEORGIA  
COUNTY OF FULTON

THIS AGREEMENT OF LEASE made this 23 day of OCTOBER  
1963, between PEACHTREE TOWERS, INC., hereinafter referred to as  
Landlord, and SOUTHEASTERN ENGINEERING COMPANY

hereinafter referred to as Tenant;

WITNESSETH: That Landlord hereby leases to Tenant and Tenant  
hereby hires from Landlord the premises designated as Apartment No. K  
located on the 20th floor of Peachtree Towers Apartments, 300 West  
Peachtree Street, in the City of Atlanta, County of Fulton, State of Georgia;  
for a term of ONE YEAR, commencing on the 24th  
day of OCTOBER, 1963, and ending on the 23rd day of OCTOBER  
1964, at and for the agreed monthly rental of TWO HUNDRED FIFTY & NO/100  
Dollars, which Tenant agrees to pay in advance on the 1st day of each month  
during the term of this lease at the office of Landlord located in the building or  
at such other place as Landlord may designate, without any set-off or deduction  
whatsoever.

Landlord and Tenant, for themselves, their heirs, executors, admini-  
strators, successors and assigns, hereby covenant as follows:

PAYMENT  
OF  
RENT

1. Tenant shall pay the specified rent above provided and  
such additional rent as shall become payable hereunder  
on the date due. No bill or demand for said rent shall  
be required before payment, and any bill therefor shall  
be deemed a convenience and not a condition precedent  
to payment.

USE OF  
DEMISED  
PREMISES

2. The demised premises and any part thereof shall be used  
and occupied solely as a private apartment dwelling by  
Tenant and the immediate family of Tenant as listed on  
application for Apartment Lease. Tenant shall not use  
the demised premises in violation of any law, order, or  
regulation of any governmental authority having jurisdic-  
tion; nor in such manner as to create or cause a nuisance,  
it being understood that the use of profanity or the engag-  
ing in any loud or boisterous conduct that disturbs the  
peace and quiet of other tenants of the building shall,  
among other things, constitute such a nuisance; nor in  
such manner as to vitiate or increase the rate of insurance  
on the premises.

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POSSESSION  
OF  
DEMISED  
PREMISES

3. If the demised premises are available for occupancy prior to the date above specified for commencement of the term, Tenant may take possession thereof upon the condition that Landlord consent in writing to the taking of such possession by Tenant, and in such event the term of this lease shall be deemed to commence from the time of the taking of such possession by Tenant and the provisions of this lease, including the payment of rent, shall be applicable to such period of occupancy. If the demised premises are not ready for occupancy on the date above specified for the commencement of the term, then the date of the commencement of the term shall be postponed until Landlord shall be able to so give possession and rent shall accrue as of the date that Landlord shall notify Tenant that the demised premises are ready for occupancy. Landlord assumes no responsibility to Tenant for delay in giving possession due to the failure of the previous occupant of the demised premises to vacate upon termination of the lease or for delay caused by any other reason not within the control of the Landlord.

RIGHT  
OF  
ENTRY

4. Landlord and the Landlord's agents shall have the right to enter the demised premises during all reasonable hours to examine the same, to make such repairs, additions or alterations as may be deemed necessary for the safety, comfort or preservation thereof, or of the building of which the demised premises are a part, or to exhibit the demised premises upon advance notice to Tenant at any time within thirty (30) days prior to the expiration of the term of this lease. The right of entry shall further exist for the purpose of removing placards, signs, fixtures, alterations or additions which are displayed or installed in violation of the terms of this lease.

MAINTENANCE  
AND UPKEEP

5. Tenant shall maintain the demised premises in as good a state of condition, order and repair as existed on the date of the commencement of the term of this lease, excepting only reasonable wear and tear arising from the use thereof. Tenant further agrees to be responsible for and to pay to Landlord immediately upon demand any damage to the heating or water apparatus, electric lights or wires, or any fixtures, appliances or appurtenances to the demised premises or the building caused by the act or neglect of Tenant, or any person or persons in the employ or under the control of Tenant. In the event of any damage to the demised premises resulting from the carelessness, neglect, or improper conduct of Tenant, its employees, agents, visitors or licensees, Landlord at the expense of Tenant may make such repairs as may be necessary to restore the demised premises to a good state of order and condition.

ALTERATIONS

6. Tenant shall make no alterations, decorations, additions or improvements in or to the demised premises without the prior written consent of Landlord, and then only by contractors and mechanics approved by Landlord and performed at such times and in such manner as Landlord may from time to time designate. All such alterations, decorations, additions or improvements shall become the sole and absolute property of Landlord and shall remain upon and be surrendered with the demised premises as a part thereof upon the termination or expiration of the term of this lease.

UTILITIES  
AND  
SERVICES

7. As long as Tenant shall not be in default under any of the provisions of this lease Landlord without charge to Tenant shall provide the following utilities and services:
- (a) electric current in reasonable quantities, (b) hot and cold water in reasonable quantities, (c) heat and air conditioning at reasonable hours during the proper seasons, and (d) passenger elevator service to and from the floor of the building upon which the demised premises are located. Any interruption or curtailment of the foregoing services shall not constitute a constructive or partial

eviction nor, unless caused by the gross negligence of Landlord, entitle Tenant to compensation or abatement of rent. It is expressly understood and agreed that the foregoing agreement of Landlord to furnish the designated services shall not be deemed breached and Landlord shall incur no liability therefor if any such interruption or curtailment of service shall be caused by the occurrence of some event beyond the reasonable control of Landlord.

**FIXTURES  
AND  
FURNITURE**

8. As long as Tenant shall not be in default under any of the provisions of this lease Tenant upon termination of this lease may remove all movable fixtures or equipment which Tenant has placed within the demised premises, provided Tenant restores the demised premises to the condition existing prior to the installation thereof. Landlord shall not be liable for any loss or damage to any personal property of Tenant placed within the demised premises which loss or damage is caused by the negligence of any co-tenant or other occupant of the building of which the demised premises form a part, or by any other person whomsoever other than Landlord or its agents.

**FIRE  
OR  
CASUALTY**

9. If the demised premises or the building of which the demised premises form a part shall be partially damaged by fire or other casualty, necessary repairs shall be made by and at the expense of Landlord, and in case such damage shall render the demised premises untenable in whole or in part, then the rent until the demised premises have been repaired shall cease if wholly untenable or be apportioned if partially untenable based on the part of the demised premises which is usable by Tenant. If, however, said building shall be totally destroyed or the demised premises damaged to the extent that repairs cannot in Landlord's opinion be completed within a period of ninety days, or if Landlord shall decide to remodel or reconstruct said building, then and in any of such events this lease shall terminate effective on the date of such destruction or damage.

**EMINENT  
DOMAIN**

10. If the whole or any part of the demised premises shall be taken or condemned by any competent authority for any public or quasi public use, then the term of this lease shall cease and terminate effective on the date when the possession of the part so taken or condemned shall be required for such use or purpose. All damages awarded for the taking of the demised premises or any part thereof shall be the sole property of Landlord.

**DEFAULT**

11. If Tenant shall default in fulfilling any of the covenants and conditions of this lease (other than the covenant for the payment of rent) or in complying with any of the Rules and Regulations herein contained, or if Tenant shall make any misrepresentation in the Application for Apartment Lease, or if the Tenant or any authorized occupant of the demised premises shall engage in any conduct or activity deemed in the opinion of Landlord objectionable or improper, then and in any of such events Landlord may, at its option, terminate the term of this lease by giving to Tenant five days notice of its intention to so terminate, and thereupon at the expiration of said five days, the term of this lease shall expire as fully and completely as if that day were the date fixed for the expiration of said term.



**RIGHTS  
UPON  
DEFAULT**

12. If Tenant shall default in the payment of the specified rent or additional rent reserved hereunder, or if the notice of termination provided for under preceding paragraph 11, hereof shall have been given and said five days notice period shall have elapsed, or if the demised premises have become vacant or deserted, Landlord shall have the right to re-enter the demised premises and remove all persons and property there from, either, by summary dispossession proceedings, or by any suitable action or proceeding at law, or otherwise without being liable to indictment, prosecution or damages therefor, and Tenant, whether or not the demised premises shall be relet as hereinafter provided shall be and remain liable to Landlord for damages equivalent to the amount of the specified rent reserved hereunder to the date when the term of this lease would have expired but for the prior termination thereof, and the same shall be due and payable by Tenant to Landlord on the dates hereinabove provided. In the event of any such re-entry, Landlord may, at its option, relet the demised premises for the remainder of the term, or any part or parts thereof, or for the period which may extend beyond the date provided for the expiration of the term, and the rents collected on any such reletting may be applied to the fulfillment of any covenants to be performed by Tenant hereunder and the balance of rents to be applied by Landlord on account of any rent unpaid by Tenant for the remainder of the term, with Tenant continuing to be liable for any resulting deficiency in rent.

**REIMBURSE-  
MENT OF  
EXPENSES**

13. If Tenant shall default in the performance of any of the covenants or conditions of this lease Landlord may, at its option, perform the same for the account of Tenant, and any amount paid or expenses incurred by Landlord in the performance of such covenants or conditions shall be deemed to be additional rent for the demised premises, and same shall be due and payable by Tenant to Landlord on the first day of the next following month, or, at the option of Landlord, on the first day of any succeeding month as may be specified in writing by Landlord.

**SUBORDI-  
NATION**

14. This lease and the rights of Tenant conferred thereunder shall at all times be subject and subordinate to the lien of any mortgage, deed of trust or other security instrument now or hereinafter placed on the land and building of which the demised premises form a part, and to any and all advances heretofore made or hereinafter to be made upon the security of said mortgage, deed of trust or other security instrument, and to any and all extensions, modifications, replacements thereof and changes therein, and Tenant in confirmation of such subordination shall on demand execute and deliver any further instrument that may be required by any mortgagee or by Landlord for the purpose of subordinating this lease to the lien of any such mortgage, deed of trust or other security instrument.

**ASSIGNMENT  
AND  
SUBLETTING**

15. Tenant shall not assign this lease or in any manner transfer any interest or benefit thereunder, or sublet the demised premises or any part or parts thereof, or permit the use of same by anyone other than an authorized occupant as reflected by Application for Apartment Lease, without the prior written consent of Landlord, and any such consent shall be limited to the instance stated therein and shall not be deemed to constitute a release, waiver or consent to any other assignment, transfer of interest or subletting.

**SURRENDER  
OF  
POSSESSION**

16. Tenant shall quietly and peaceably surrender the possession of and vacate the demised premises upon the termination or expiration of the term of this lease.



HOLDING  
OVER

17.

If Tenant shall continue to remain in the occupancy of the demised premises after the expiration of the term of this lease, there shall be thereby created a tenancy from month to month and all of the terms and conditions of this lease shall be applicable to such tenancy.

SECURITY  
DEPOSIT

18.

Simultaneously with the execution of this lease Tenant shall deposit with Landlord the sum of \$100.00 which deposit shall be without interest, as security for the faithful performance by Tenant of all of the terms, conditions and provisions of this lease. If upon expiration of the term of this lease Tenant shall have fully performed all obligations required hereunder, such deposit shall be promptly refunded by Landlord.

RULES  
AND  
REGULATIONS

19.

Tenant and other authorized occupants of the demised premises shall observe and comply with the Rules and Regulations hereinafter set forth and such other and further Rules and Regulations as Landlord may from time to time prescribe for the safety, care and cleanliness of the building and the preservation of good order therein, and such Rules and Regulations hereinafter set forth or hereinafter prescribed are hereby made a part of this lease as if fully incorporated herein.

SERVICE  
OF  
NOTICE

20.

Any notice by Landlord to Tenant shall be deemed duly given if either delivered personally to Tenant, or left at the demised premises, or mailed by registered letter in a postpaid envelope addressed to Tenant in the building of which the demised premises form a part. Any notice by Tenant to Landlord shall be deemed duly given only if in writing and either delivered personally to an office of Landlord, or other agent of Landlord charged with the management of the building of which the demised premises are a part, or mailed by registered letter in a postpaid envelope addressed to Landlord at the address of said building as hereinabove stated. Tenant shall give Landlord 30 days notice prior to the date of vacating the premises.

QUIET  
ENJOYMENT

21.

Landlord covenants that so long as Tenant shall pay the rent hereunder reserved and shall perform the terms, conditions and provisions of this lease, Tenant shall quietly and peaceably enjoy the demised premises subject to the terms of this lease and to the mortgage, deed of trust or security document to which this lease was hereinabove made subordinate.

BINDING  
EFFECT

22.

The terms, covenants, conditions and provisions of this lease shall bind and insure to the benefit of Landlord and Tenant, and their respective heirs, executors, administrators, successors and, whenever herein authorized, their assigns.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Landlord and Tenant have respectively signed and sealed this lease as of the day and year first above written.

PEACHTREE TOWERS, INC.

By

*M. L. Monahan*  
MANAGER

*R. J. Nichols*  
TENANT

for  
Southwest Engineering Co.

THE LESSEE, FOR SUFFICIENT REASON, MAY TERMINATE THIS  
LEASE BY GIVING THIRTY DAYS WRITTEN NOTICE.

PEACHTREE TOWERS, INC.

BY: *J. M. [Signature]*

SOUTHEASTERN ENGINEERING COMPANY

BY: *R. J. Nichols*  
for  
*Southeastern Engr. Co.*

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6/23/66

SAC JOSEPH K. PONDER

**ELSVR**

AT 1380-S\*

Inspector JOSEPH A. SIZOO, Domestic Intelligence Division, called at 11:45 a.m. on 6/21/66. He instructed that our technical coverage on SCLC and MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. be discontinued immediately. He said this coverage should be discontinued in such a way that it can be re-established on short notice, but it is not to be re-established without specific Bureau instructions.

I told SIZOO we would discontinue this operation at once, but that we would not remove any of our equipment from the plant, and that we would leave an Agent on duty round the clock to insure the security of the installation. We will continue to man the plant for security reasons for about a week at the end of which time we will check with the Bureau for further instructions if none have been received in the meantime.

I called SA DAVIS then on duty at the plant at 11:55 AM and he at that time discontinued this source. The Bureau was subsequently advised by teletype that this source was discontinued at 11:55 a.m. 6/21/66.

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6/29/66

ASAC EUGENE H. STEWART

ELSVR  
AT 1380-S\*

This is to record that I talked with Inspector JOSEPH A. SIZOO, Domestic Intelligence Division, today at 11:45 a.m., and he verified that there had been no change in the discontinuance of this coverage as outlined by him on 6/21/66. He stated that after conferring with Assistant Director SULLIVAN that we should discontinue completely and that there were no current plans to reinstitute this coverage. I informed him that we would make a clean break and would give proper notice for the physical space and return personnel to other duties as soon as possible.

I informed Supervisor HARDING of the above and, it being noted that SA MILLER is in Cordele, Ga., physical arrangements will be made as soon as possible. Notice concerning the premises are to be given immediately on a 30-day vacating basis.

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**SOUTHEASTERN ENGINEERING COMPANY**

Post Office Box 583  
Atlanta, Georgia - 30301

July 1, 1966

Peachtree Towers, Inc.  
300 West Peachtree, N. W.  
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Gentlemen:

Enclosed herewith is cashier's check in amount of \$250.00 covering rent due July 1, 1966 for apartment 20 K.

This letter will also confirm my telephone call to Miss Jesse Abercrombie June 30, 1966 advising as of that date we were furnishing 30 days notice of vacating the aforementioned apartment. This notice is given pursuant to item 20 of lease dated October 23, 1963.

I will personally see that you are subsequently advised of the exact date of our departure and that keys are returned to you.

Yours truly,

R. J. Nichols  
Representative

Enclosure - 1

Mailed 7/1/66 via Reg. Mail  
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**SOUTHEASTERN ENGINEERING COMPANY**

Post Office Box 583  
Atlanta, Georgia 30301  
July 27, 1966

Peachtree Towers, Inc.  
300 West Peachtree, N. W.  
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Gentlemen:

Re my letter July 1, 1966, concerning apartment  
20 K.


Enclosed herewith are two keys to apartment 20 K  
and one key to corresponding mailbox.

Please be advised we have vacated the apartment  
as of this date.

In the event you find subsequent correspondence  
necessary, kindly direct same to my attention at the above  
address.

Your gracious service during our occupancy has  
been appreciated.

Yours truly,



R. J. Nichols  
Representative

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