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Mr. Boutwell	Date	11/24/93

From : K. M. Boyle

Subject:

THE^LHOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS (HSCA) INVESTIGATION OF THE ASSASSINATION OF DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. ;

<u>PURPOSE</u>: To facilitate the placement of xeroxed copies and ticklers of the FBI material previously requested by the HSCA, concerning the circumstances of the assassination of DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. into Bufile 62-117290.

<u>RECOMMENDATION</u>: That the above-referenced materials be made an enclosure (168 boxes) to this memorandum and maintained as a bulky exhibit to Bufile 62-117290, inasmuch as they have been made available to the HSCA.

<u>DETAILS</u>: In compliance with numerous requests from the HSCA, the former Congressional Inquiry Unit (organized to respond to requests from the HSCA for FBI records concerning PRESIDENT KENNEDY and DR. KING) made copies of FBI records available as sought by the HSCA.

Upon completion of its assigned tasks, the Congressional Inquiry Unit disbanded and made its compilation of records available to the Freedom of Information-Privacy Acts Section, due to extensive FOIA litigation in both the KENNEDY and KING assassination matters.

Currently the copies of FBI records concerning the assassination of PRESIDENT KENNEDY are being reviewed in accordance with the "President John F. Kennedy Assassination Records Collection Act of 1992."

Because of the public's continued interest in the alleged circumstances surrounding the assassination of DR. KING it is anticipated that the subject of this memorandum will eventually become the target of a Freedom of Information Act request. It is, therefore, deemed appropriate that these materials be made a part of a retrievable permanent record.

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SUBJECT: Martin Luther King, Jr. Task Force Report

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT William H. Webster, Director TO: Federal Bureau of Investigation

Congressional Inquiry Unit ATTN: Special Investigative Division

> Reference is made to my memorandum to former Director Kelley dated June 2, 1977, and captioned as above (copy attached). By that memorandum, the Bureau was requested to retain custody of "Appendix C" to the King Report during the pendency of the House Select Committee on Assassinations (HSCA) inquiry.

Since the HSCA has completed their inquiry, this memorandum is to request the return of Appendix C to this Office.

Thank you for your past assistance in this matter.

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Martin Luther King, Jr. Task Force Report

Clarence M. Kelley, Director Federal Bureau of Investigation

Attn: Congressional Inquiry Unit Special Investigative Division

This will confirm the telephone conversation at 3:30 p.m., this date between S.A. Jay Aldhizer, Congressional Inquiry Unit, and Joseph F. Gross, Jr., of my staff concerning Appendix C to the Martin Luther King, Jr. Task Force Report.

It is my understanding that your review and classification of Appendix C is complete. But the appendix contains material relating to sensitive sources which the Bureau would want to review for excision if the appendix is ever disseminated to interested parties such as the House Select Committee on Assassinations.

Mr. Gross has also advised me that during the time in which this additional review may be necessary the Bureau has agreed to retain custody of the appendix. After this period the appendix is to be returned to this Office.

Your cooperation in this matter is appreciated.

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Michael E. Shaheen, Jr., Counsel Office of Professional Responsibility

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