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ON FEBRUARY 8, 1978, G. ROBERT BLAKEY, CHIEF COUN-SEL AND DIRECTOR, HSCA, ADVISED HIS STAFF HAD CONTACTED FORMER SL 1495-E, WHO HAS AGREED TO COOPERATE WITH THE HSCA. ON FEBRUARY 9, 1978, STAFF ATTORNEY MICHAEL EBERHARDT, HSCA, ADVISED THAT SL 1495-E HAS EXECUTED A

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CONCERNS ANY ASPECT OF SOURCE'S OPERATION AND ANY PAYMENT WHICH WAS MADE TO HIM. ADDITIONALLY, PROVIDE FBIHQ
WITH ONE COPY OF ANY MAIN FILE OR REFERENCE IN YOUR
OFFICE WHICH MAY BE IDENTIFIABLE WITH INFORMANT.

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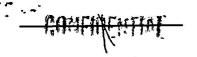
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NOTE: SL 1495-E (former) (Bureau file 134-19686) was operated from January, 1970, to approximately September, 1971, primarily targeted against White Hate Groups. In 1971, he traveled to Savannah, Georgia, at which time he reported on activities of the National States Rights Party office and that Jerry Ray, brother of James Earl Ray, stated he knew there was another party involved in the killing of King and that his brother was the one who pulled the trigger. This is the apparent HSCA interest in informant.

Referenced communications concern previous informal requests by the HSCA that we contact SL 1495-E to determine if he would be willing to be interviewed by the Committee. St. Louis contacted informant on 1/27/78 and he agreed, but two days later submitted a letter to St. Louis declining to be interviewed by the HSCA. Subsequently, the HSCA determined informant's identity through its investigation and contacted him, at which time, according to the HSCA, he agreed to interview. By letter to the Attorney General dated 1/26/78, the HSCA has asked for all information at FBI Headquarters and in the field concerning informant.

This matter has been coordinated with SA D. O. Coulson, Legal Liaison and Congressional Affairs Unit, Legal Counsel Division, and SA M. V. Hale, Top Echelon and Criminal Informant Unit, Criminal Investigative Division.



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PRIOR TO HIS INVOLVEMENT IN THE "MURKIN" INVESTIGATION WAS IN THE FIELDS OF CR. RACIAL AND RELATED MATTERS.

II) THE FILES OF THE NEW ORLEANS OFFICE FAIL TO REVEAL THAT
THIS OFFICE EITHER CONSIDERED OR ENGAGED IN ANY COUNTERINTELLIGENCE (COIN TEL PRO) EFFORTS DIRECTED AGAINST KING OR THE SOUTHERN
CHRISTIAN LEADER SHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC).

NEW ORLEANS FILES WHICH INVOLVE THE SECURITY INVESTIGATIONS OF KING (NO 100-16800) AND THE SCLC (NO 100-16849) HAVE BEEN THOROUGHLY REVIEWED. NEW ORLEANS WAS MERELY AN AUXILIARY OFFICE IN THESE INVESTIGATIONS, WITH ATLANTA BEING THE OO. THE EXTENT OF INVESTIGATION CONDUCTED BY NEW ORLEANS WAS THE COVERING OF LEADS IN LA., SET FORTH BY ATLANTA OR OTHER OFFICES. THESE TWO FILES WERE REVIEWED SERIAL BY SERIAL AND NOWHERE IS THERE ANY INDICATION WHERE COUNTERINTELLIGENCE ACTIVITIES WERE EITHER CONSIDERED OR CARRIED OUT AGAINST KING OR THE SCLC BY THE NEW ORLEANS OFFICE.

DURING THE PERIOD OF 1965 - 1968, THE KING FILE IN THE NEW ORLEANS OFFICE WAS REOPENED AND ASSIGNED AND THEN RUC'D AT LEAST SEVEN TIMES AND THE SCLC FILE WAS REOPENED AND ASSIGNED AT LEAST FIVE TIMES DURING THIS SAME PERIOD.

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AND DOJ WOULD BE UNDER KEN TO WORK OUT DETAILS PERFOTECTION, CONFIDENTIALITY, LOCATION AND SCOPE OF INTERVIEW.

IT IS NOTED THAT SOURCE (FORMER) UNDERWENT MAJOR HEART AND ABDOMINAL SURGERY DURING OCTOBER AND NOVEMBER, 1977, IS CURRENTLY RECOVERING AND UNDER DOCTOR'S CARE. HE RESIDES 12350 OLD HALLS FERRY ROAD, FLORISSANT, MO., (314) 355-1500 AND IS UNEMPLOYED.

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IN-ACCORDANCE REFTEL, WE PASSED ON TO THE HOME OFFICE THE REQUEST OF THE WUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON AS ASSIN-ATIONS FOR ACCESS TO BRITISH POLICE RECORDS AND KNOWLEDGEABLE PERSONS CONCERNED WITH THE ARREST OF JAMES EARLY RAY WITHOUT THE COMMITTEE RESPONDING FIRST TO THE QUESTIONS RAISED PREVIOUSLY BY BRITISH OFFICIALS. 2. THE HOME OFFICE INFORMED THE EMBASSY ON JANUARY 26 THAT IT IS CONSULTING THE LONDON METROPOLITAN POLICE ABOUT THE COMMITTEE'S REQUEST AND WILL LET US KNOW THE OUT COME AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

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January 30, 1978

The Honorable Griffin B. Bell Attorney General of the United States Department of Justice Washington, D. C. 20530

Attention: Mr. Robert L. Keuch

> Deputy Assistant Attorney General Criminal Division, Room 2113

Dear Mr. Attorney General:

In connection with the investigation by this Committee into the death of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., a request was made by letter dated November 30, 1977, for FBI files relating to Dr. King. These files included the following:

- The main security file on Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., for the period January 1, 1967 through May 1, 1968.
- The main file on the Southern Christian Leadership Conference for the period January 1, through May 1, 1968.
- 3. The file on the Memphis Sanitation Strike for the period January 1, 1968 through May 1, 1968.
- 4. The file on Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr./Poor People's March for the period December 1, 1967 through May 1, 1968 REC-6 62-117290 426.
- All materials pertaining to Martin Luther King, Jr., and the SCLC in the COINTELPRO file ZI FEB 6 1978

We have been advised that all of the above files are now available for review by the Committee.

It is now requested, however, that the foregoing files, except for the Memphis Sanitation Strike, be prepared for Committee review for the following extended dates:

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- 1. The main security file on Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., for the periods:
 - a. October 1, 1962 December 31, 1966
 b. May 1, 1968 April 1, 1969
- 2. The main file on the Southern Christian Leadership Conference for the periods:
 - a. October 1, 1962 December 31, 1966
 b. May 1, 1968 April 1, 1969
- 3. The COMINFIL and COINTELPRO files as such relate to Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., for the periods:
 - a. October 1, 1962 December 31, 1966 b. May 1, 1968 - April 1, 1969
- 4. The files on the Poor Peoples' March from May 1, 1968 to the closing date of this file.

Your prompt attention to these matters will be greatly appreciated.

Respectfully,

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G. Robert Blakey Chief Counsel and Director

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The Honorable Griffin B. Bell' Attorney General of the United States Department of Justice Washington, D.C.

'Attention: Mr. Robert L. Keuch Deputy Assistant Attorney General Criminal Division, Room 2113

Dear Mr. Attorney General:

In connection with the investigation by this Committee into the death of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., it is requested that the FBI provide the Committee with photographs of all Atlanta agents assigned to the security investigation of Dr. King during the period To the extent possible, these photographs should depict the agents involved as they appeared in 1967-1968 or as close thereto as possible.

Your prompt attention to this matter will be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

G. Robert Blakey Chief Counsel and Director

GRB:mej Mr. Danny O. Coulson FBZ

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(Attn: Mr. J. E. McHale,

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HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS (HSCA)

REFERENCE ST. LOUIS AIRTEL AND LHM TO BUREAU DATED MAY 28,]97], CAPTIONED, "NATIONAL STATES RIGHTS PARTY, RM-NSRP."

THE HSCA IS CURRENTLY CONDUCTING INVESTIGATION INTO THE ASSASSINATION OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. IN THAT CONNECTION, VARIOUS DOCUMENTS, INCLUDING REFERENCED COMMUNICATION, HAVE BEEN MADE AVAILABLE FOR HSCA REVIEW.

ON JANUARY 23, 1978, G. ROBERT BLAKEY, CHIEF COUNSEL AND DIRECTOR, HSCA, ADVISED THAT THE HSCA DESIRES TO INTERVIEW THE FBI INFORMANT WHO PROVIDED INFORMATION IN REFERENCED LHM. BLAKEY REQUESTED THAT INFORMANT BE REC-54 THE HSCA'S INTEREST IN ORDER TO DETERMINE WHETHER OR NOT

INFORMANT HAD ANY OBJECTIONS TO BEING INTERVIEWED BY Assoc. Dir. 6 FEB 1 1978 JTA:sas SEE NOTE PAGE 4 (7)

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REPRESENTATIVES OF THE HSCA.

INFORMANT IS SL]495-E (FORMER), WHO WAS OPERATED FROM JANUARY,]970, TO APPROXIMATELY SEPTEMBER]97]. INFORMANT WAS PRIMARILY TARGETED AGAINST WHITE-HATE GROUPS AND WAS SUBJECT OF BUREAU FILE]34-]9686 AND ST. LOUIS FILE]70-]767.

ON JANUARY 24,]978, SUPERVISOR JAMES HAGGERTY DETERMINED THAT INFORMANT IS LISTED IN THE CURRENT ST. LOUIS TELEPHONE DIRECTORY AND THAT THERE HAS BEEN NO CONTACT WITH INFORMANT SINCE HE WAS CLOSED IN]97].

ST. LOUIS PROMPTLY CONTACT FORMER SL]495-E. ADVISE HIM OF THE HSCA'S EXISTENCE, AND ITS DESIRE TO INTERVIEW HIM APPARENTLY CONCERNING THE CONTENTS OF REFERENCED LHM.

ADVISE HIM THE HSCA HAS INTERVIEWED OTHER INDIVIDUALS IN CONNECTION WITH REFERENCED LHM AND WILL BE ISSUING SUBPOENAS IN CONNECTION WITH THIS MATTER. DETERMINE AT THIS POINT ONLY HIS INITIAL REACTION TO BEING INTERVIEWED BY REPRESENTATIVES OF THE HSCA. IF HE HAS NO OBJECTIONS TO AN INTERVIEW, HE SHOULD BE TOLD THAT CONFERENCES WITH THE HSCA AND DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE WILL BE UNDERTAKEN TO WORK OUT ADDITIONAL DETAILS



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REGARDING THE EXTENT OF PROTECTION AND CONFIDENTIALITY
THE HSCA IS WILLING TO EXTEND AS WELL AS DETAILS REGARDING
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NOTE The HSCA plans to submit a formal request regarding this matter, but requested informant be contacted for his initial reaction to interview. The Congressional Inquiry Unit, Legal Liaison and Congressional Affairs Unit and Mr. Robert L. Keuch, Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, agree this approach is best prior to continuing discussions to resolve legal and other issues.

The apparent interest of the HSCA involves informant's travel to Savannah, Georgia, in 1971 at which time he reported on activities at the NSRP Office in Savannah, as set forth in referenced communication. Informant reported that Jerry Ray, brother of James Earl Ray, and J. B. Stoner, National Chairman, NSRP, were in the office when Jerry said that the FBI and he knew there was another party involved in the killing of King and that his brother was the one who pulled the trigger. HSCA has requested FBI information on the NSRP, Stoner, Jerry Ray and other individuals identified as being in attendance in the NSRP Office in Savannah during that time. One of the individuals present, Richard Geppert, was later developed as an informant of the Springfield Office. Geppert has been interviewed by the HSCA and has furnished a signed statement in which he gives authority for HSCA review of all FBI information concerning him, including that pertaining to his confidential relationship with the FBI.

This matter has been coordinated with Legal Liaison and Congressional Affairs Unit and the Organized Crime Section, Criminal Investigative

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HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS (HSCA). BUDED

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THE MURKIN INVESTIGATION WAS ASSIGNED TO SA JOE C. HESTER, NOW RETIRED. ON APRIL 4. 1968, AND WAS REASSIGNED TO SA BURL F. JOHNSON ON AUG. 1, 1977. THE MEMPHIS OFFICE DID NOT HAVE A SQUAD BREAKDOWN AT THE TIME THE CASE WAS ASSIGNED TO SA HESTER. SA HESTER WAS ASSIGNED GENERAL CRIMINAL WORK IMMEDIATELY PRIOR TO HIS INVOLVEMENT IN THE

SA JOHNSON WAS ASSIGNED MURK IN INVESTIGATION.

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MEMPHIS FILE 100-4542 ENTITLED "COUNTERINTELLIGENCE
PROGRAM, BLACK NATIONALIST HATE GROUPS, RACIAL MATTERS,"
WAS FIRST OPENED ON AUG. 28, 1967, AND ASSIGNED TO SA
JOSEPH H. KEARNEY, JR., NOW RETIRED, UNTIL IT WAS REASSIGNED
TO SA HOWELL S. LOWE ON MARCH 7, 1968. IT REMAINED SO
ASSIGNED UNTIL IT WAS CLOSED ON MAY 1, 1971. MEMPHIS OFFICE
HAD NO SQUAD BREAKDOWN DURING THE PERIOD 1965-68. IMMEDIATELY
PRIOR TO THE ASSIGNMENT OF THIS CASE, SA KEARNEY WAS INVOLVED
IN CIVIL RIGHTS AND SECURITY MATTER INVESTIGATIONS, AND SA
LOWE WAS INVOLVED IN RACIAL AND SECURITY MATTER
INVESTIGATIONS.

MEMPHIS FILE 100-4704 ENTITLED "NEW LEFT,

COUNTERINTELLIGENCE PROGRAM", WAS OPENED ON MAY 15, 1968,

AND ASSIGNED TO LAWRENCE J. OLSON. IT WAS REASSIGNED TO

SA BURL F. JOHNSON ON FEB. 29, 1971, AND REMAINED SO ASSIGNED

UNTIL IT WAS CLOSED ON APRIL 12, 1971. SA'S OLSON AND

JOHNSON WERE INVOLVED IN SECURITY MATTER INVESTIGATIONS

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MEMPHIS FILE A100-4046 ENTITLED "COMMUNIST PARTY, USA, COUNTERINTELLIGENCE PROGRAM" WAS ASSIGNED TO SA WILLIAM H. LAWRENCE. NOW RETIRED. ON THE FOLLOWING OCCASIONS:

OPENED JULY 23, 1964, PLACED IN RUC STATUS APRIL 29, 1966; REOPENED AUG. 24, 1966, PLACED IN RUC STATUS AUG. 30, 1966; REOPENED MARCH 31, 1967, PLACED IN RUC STATUS JUNE 13, 1967; REOPENED OCT. 18, 1967, PLACED IN RUC STATUS DEC. 20, 1967. IT REMAINED IN RUC STATUS UNTIL DEC. 26, 1974.

SA LAWRENCE WAS INVOLVED IN SECURITY AND RACIAL MATTER INVESTIGATIONS IMMEDIATELY PRIOR TO ASSIGNMENT OF THIS CASE ON EACH OCCASION.

MEMPHIS FILE 157-576 ENTITLED "COUNTERINTELLIGENCE PROGRAM, DISRUPTION OF HATE GROUPS" WAS FIRST OPENED ON SEPT. 4, 1964, AND ASSIGNED TO SA WILLIAM H. LAWRENCE, AND SWAS PLACED IN RUC STATUS ON JUNE 15, 1965. THIS CASE WAS REOPENED JUNE 18, 1965, AND PLACED IN RUC STATUS ON SEPT. 9, 1965. IT WAS REOPENED JAN. 2, 1966, AND ASSIGNED TO SA LAWRENCE. IT WAS REASSIGNED TO SA MERRILL F. MC CLOUGHAN ON JUNE 3, 1966. SA MC CLOUGHAN IS NOW RETIRED. IT WAS

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REASSIGNED TO SA ROBERT F. FITZPATRICK ON MAY 10, 1968, AND REMAINED SO ASSIGNED UNTIL IT WAS CLOSED ON MAY 1, 1971.

IMMEDIATELY PRIOR TO ASSIGNMENT OF THIS CASE, SA LAWRENCE WAS INVOLVED IN SECURITY AND RACIAL MATTEC INVESTIGATIONS, SA HILLIN WAS INVOLVED IN SECURITY AND RACIAL MATTER INVESTIGATIONS, SA MC CLOUGHAN WAS INVOLVED IN RACIAL MATTER INVESTIGATION, AND SA FITZPATRICK WAS INVOLVED IN CIVIL RIGHTS AND GENERAL CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS.

MEMPHIS FILE 100-4105 ENTITLED MMARTIN LUTHER KING,

JR., SECURITY MATTER - C' WAS OPENED ON JAN. 2, 1965, AND

ASSIGNED TO SA WILLIAM H. LAWRENCE, AND WAS SO ASSIGNED UNTIL

IT WAS CLOSED ON APRIL 11, 1968. SA LAWRENCE WAS ASSIGNED

SECURITY AND RACIAL MATTER INVESTIGATIONS IMMEDIATELY PRIOR

TO ASSIGNMENT OF THIS CASE.

MEMPHIS FILE 157-166 ENTITLED "COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF THE SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE" (COMINFIL SCLS) IS - C, WAS FIRST OPENED IN THE MEMPHIS OFFICE ON SEPT. 26, 1961. IT WAS PLACED IN RUC STATUS AND RE-OPENED A NUMBER OF

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TIMES PRIOR TO PERIOD 1965-68. IT WAS OPENED AND ASSIGNED DURING THIS PERIOD AS FOLLOWS:

IT WAS REOPENED AND ASSIGNED TO SA JOSEPH H. KEARNEY, JR., ON FOLLOWING OCCASIONS.

REOPENED JULY 12, 1965, PLACED IN RUC STATUS NOV. 17, 1965; REOPENED NOV. 17, 1965, PLACED IN RUC STATUS JAN. 31, 1966, REOPENED APRIL 29, 1966, PLACED IN RUC STATUS MAY 20, 1966.

IT WAS REOPENED AND ASSIGNED TO SA HOWELL S. LOWE ON THE FOLLOWING OCCASIONS:

REOPENED DEC. 19, 1967, PLACED IN RUC STATUS JULY 17, 1972.

SA KEARNEY WAS INVOLVED IN RACIAL AND SECURITY MATTER AND CIVIL RIGHTS INVESTIGATIONS IMMEDIATELY PRIOR TO THE ASSIGNMENTS OF THIS CASE. SA LOWE WAS INVOLVED IN RACIAL AND SECURITY MATTER INVESTIGATIONS IMMEDIATELY PRIOR TO THE ASSIGNMENTS OF THIS CASE.

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A REVIEW OF MEMPHIS COINTELPRO FILES AND FILES ON THE SECURITY MATTER INVESTIGATION OF DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., AND INTERNAL SECURITY INVESTIGATION OF SCLC REVEALED NO INSTANCES WHERE COUNTERINTELLIGENCE ACTIVITIES WERE EITHER CONSIDERED OR CARRIED OUT AGAINST KING AND THE SCLC. BT

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REOPENED JANUARY 25, 1965 TO ROBERT F. BARRY, CLOSED MARCH 16, 1965, REOPENED MARCH 25, 1965 TO WILLIAM J. WHITE, RUC JULY 16, 1965, REOPENED JULY 19, 1965 TO CLAY M. BRADY, RUC AUGUST 2, 1965, REOPENED AUGUST 11, 1965 TO JOSEPH C. STANLEY, CLOSED AUGUST 27, 1965, REOPENED SEPTEMBER 13, 1965 TO R. L. STROMBERG, RUC SEPTEMBER 24, 1965, REOPENED OCTOBER 7, 1965 TO CLAY M. ER ADY, REASSIGNED NOVEMBER 22, 1965 TO JOSEPH C. STANLEY WHO CONTINUED AS CASE AGENT UNTIL AFTER THE ASSASSINATION OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. IN 1968. THIS CASE WAS MAINTAINED ON SECURITY SQUAD NUMBER 5. THE NATURE OF THE ABOVE CASE AGENTS' ASSIGNMENT PRIOR TO THEIR INVOLVEMENT IN THE MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR, SM - CINVESTIGATION IS NOT AVAILABLE IN CHICAGO, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF SA JOSEPH C. STANLEY, WHO WAS CARRIED AS A RELIEF SUPERVISOR FOR SECURITY SQUAD NUMBER 5. THE NATURE OF SA STANLEY'S WORK IS

- (2) (B) (1) FIELD OFFICE FILE NUMBER CHICAGO 105-16238.
- (2) TITLE: COMINFILE, SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC), IS C.
- (3) A REVIEW OF THIS FILE REFLECTS THE CASE WAS ASSIGNED TO SA JOHN P. O'BRIEN, UNTIL OCTOBER 12, 1965, WHEN IT WAS

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REASSIGNED TO SA JOSEPH C. STANLEY THROUGH 1968. SA STANLEY WAS CARRIED AS A RELIEF SUPERVISOR FOR SECURITY SQUAD NUMBER 5 UNTIL FEBRUARY, 1968 WHEN HE WAS DELETED. THE EXACT NATURE OF SA STANLEY'S WORK IS NOT AVAILABLE IN CHICAGO.

- (2) (C) (1) FIELD OFFICE FILE NUMBER CHICAGO 100-32864.
- TITLE: COMMUNIST PARTY, USA, COUNTERINTELLIGENCE PROGRAM. IS - C.
- (3) A REVIEWW OF THIS FILE REFLECTS THE FOLLOWING AGENTS WERE CASE AGENTS IN THIS INVESTIGATION:

HERBERT K. STALLINGS UNTIL APRIL 22. 1965, REASSIGNED TO GENE E. AR NOLD UNTIL APRIL 27. 1967. REASSIGNED TO ROBERT O. MURPHY THROUGH 1968. ALL COUNTERINTELLIGENCE PROGRAMS WERE MAINTAINED ON SECURITY SQUAD NUMBER 2. THE SECTION. SQUAD OF ASSIGNMENT, AND THE NATURE OF THE ABOVE AGENTS 'ASSIGNMENT IMMEDIATELY PRIOR TO THEIR INVOLVEMENT IN THIS INVESTIGATION IS NOT AVAILABLE IN CHICAGO.

(2) (2) A REVIEW OF ALL OTHER COINTELPRO INVESTIGATIONS CONDUCTED BY CHICAGO FAILS TO INDICATE MARTIN LUTHER KING . JR . OR THE SOLC WERE EVER MENTIONED IN THESE FILES OR TARGETS UNDER THESE PROGRAMS.

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The Honorable Griffin B. Bell Attorney General of the United States Department of Justice Washington, D. C. 20530

Attention: Robert L. Keuch
Deputy Assistant Attorney General
Criminal Division, Room 2113

Dear Mr. Attorney General:

In connection with this Committee's investigation of the circumstances surrounding the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., we would appreciate your assistance in obtaining access to any files or records in the possession of the Drug Enforcement Administration and the Federal Bureau of Investigation, relating to the individuals and organizations noted below:

- A. With respect to the Drug Enforcement Administration:
 - Date of Birth: 5/11/29
 FBI Number: 881-534-B
 - 2) Anthony Charles DeCarvelho Born: 1921 Residence: New Orleans
- B. With respect to the Federal Bureau of Investigation:
 - 1) Jack Brown Chattanooga, Tennessee

2) Lester LeeExides REC- 13

Date of Birth: 2/23/45 S.S.N.: UFK Act 6 (3) 2165 or 2155 Clarksdale Memphis, Tennessee

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3) Hunter Pitts O'Dell New Oxleans, Louisiana

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- 4) Earnest Donnell Denham Springs, Louisiana
- 5) Robert DePugh, Norborne, Missouri Head of the Minutemen organization
- 6) Sidney Barnes 1378 East Riviera Drive Mobile, Alabama (1968)
- 7) 'Maxey Ted" .
 New Orleans, Louisiana
- 8) Eddie Sopcjack
 Date of Birth: 8/14/29
 FBI Number: 186-485A
- 9) Thomas Tarrants
- 10) Samuel Caccamechi Memphis, Tennessee
- 11) Robert Hood Strader
 Lexington, Illinois
- 12) Raymond Starns
 King David Apartments, Apt. 1
 2816 David Drive
 Metairie, Louisiana (1968)
- 13) Jerome Conforto New Orleans, Louisiana
- 14) Joseph Conforto
 New Orleans, Louisiana (now deceased)
- 15) Leonard Scott DelMonte 1229 North Bronson Street Los Angeles, California
- 16) Allan O. Thompson
 Date of Birth: 12/25/13
- Dr. Russell C. Hadley
 Date of Birth: 8/18/09
 96 Moscow Road
 Monte Rio, California

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- . 18) James E. Morrison Los Angeles, California
 - 19) Dr. Mark O. Freeman Beverly Hills, California
 - 20) Charles Calvin Bookman Date of Birth: 9/6/13 FBI Number: 892-355
 - 21) Rodney Arvidson
 Date of Birth: 1/19/23
 Post Office Box 2820
 Long Beach, California
 - 22) Tomas Reyes Lau Date of Birth: 10/5/23 2047 Lemoyne Los Angeles, California
 - 23) Roy Emory Hargraves
 El Monte, California
 - 24) Raymond M. Murphy, aka "Fido" Los Angeles, California
 - 25) Lee Wilkinson Los Angeles, California
 - 26) Roman Kohnke Los Angeles, California
 - 27) Paul Lyon Los Angeles, California
 - 28) Jeri Salkin Los Angeles, California
 - 29) Ronald G. Hewitson Garden Grove, California
 - 30) Pat Olson
 Date of Birth: 7/21/42
 Quantico, Virginia

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- 31) Robert Taylor, aka Bob Taylor Los Angeles, California
- 32) Ronald Dennino
 aka Ronald Gerald Dennino
 Inmate at California State Prison
 at San Quentin (1967 1968)
- 33) Richard Gonzales
 Los Angeles, California
- 34) Roderic Burns Duff
 Monrovia, California
 1968 President of Los Angeles Chapter
 of Citizens Council of America
- 35) R. J. Weiler Los Angeles, California
- 36) Elizabeth Ann De Rouen
 Date of Birth: 2/17/43
 SSN: JFK Act 6 (3)
 Los Angeles, California
- 37) Debbie Gold
 Los Angeles, California
- 38) David Gregory
 Buena Park, California
- 39) Rev. Xavier Von Koss Hermora Beach, California
- 40) Robert Harold Gray
 Los Angeles, California
- 41) Robert Keeley
 Los Angeles, California
- 42) William K. Shearer aka Bill Shearer 3166 Palm Lemmon Grove, California
- 43) Robert Walters
 Los Angeles, California

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- 44) George Manum
 Los Angeles, California
- 45) Robert J. Roe Beverly Hills, California
- 46) Pamela Dillon
 Los Angeles, California
- 47) Frank Marullo New Orleans, Louisiana
- 48) Subfiles and/or investigative reports on Ku Klux Klan for the cities of Jacksonville and Miami, Florida for the period 1966 through 1968.
- 49) Subfiles and/or investigative reports on the following organizations for the period 1966 through 1968 for the cities of New Orleans, Louisiana; Birmingham, Alabama; Memphis, Tennessee; Chicago, Illinois; Atlanta, Georgia; Los Angeles, California; and the State of Mississippi:
 - a) Black Panthers
 - b) Black Muslims
 - c) American Nazi Party
 - d) Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee
- 50) Subfiles and/or investigative reports for the period 1966 1968 for the following organizations:
 - :' a) Liberty Lobby
 - b) The Sword
 - c) The Fiery Cross
 - "d) The White Camelia
 - e) The Silver Dollar Group

Your prompt cooperation will be most appreciated.

Very truly yours,

In Robert Blake

G. Robert Blakey Chief Counsel and Director

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TO

DIRECTOR, FBI (62-117290)

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HOUSE SELECT COMMITTE ON ASSASSINATIONS

SUBJECT: JAMES EARL RAY, aka;

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ReLONlet 11/16/77.

Enclosed for information is a copy of an incoming telegram the American Embassy, London, received from Department of State on 1/14/78, and copy of Legat, London letter to the British Home Office dated 1/18/78.

Further pertinent information will be furnished when available.

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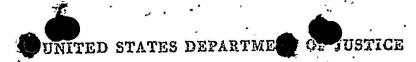
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In Reply, Please Refer to
File No. 62-604

Your Ref .:

Office of Legal Attache American Embassy Grosvenor Square London, WIA 1AE

January 18, 1978

Mr. G. L. Angel British Home Office G-4 Division Queen Anne's Gate London, S.W. 1

> Re: Request from House Select Committee on Assassinations to Meet with British Police Authorities

Dear Mr. Angel:

By way of background, the House Select Committee on Assassinations, as authorized by the U. S. House of Representatives, is investigating the circumstances surrounding the murders of President J. F. Kennedy and Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

The Chief Counsel and Staff Director requested contact be made with appropriate officials in the British Government to obtain authority to interview appropriate police officials who were involved in the arrest of James Earl Ray in London on June 8, 1968.

Assistant Legal Attache Dennis Dickson had contact with you on December 6, 1977 regarding this matter. At that time you requested the following:

- A) Purpose or scope of inquiry;
- B) Names of individuals to be interviewed and reasons therefor;

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C) Intended use of results of inquiry, i.e., public hearings, etc., it being noted that any records maintained by the British police would be as the result of an official inquiry and this would normally be available for police use only, unless otherwise exempted by the British Government.

I would be most appreciative if you would advise if this situation is agreeable to you.

Sincerely,

Dennis R. Dickson Acting Legal Attache

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SUBJECT REQUEST FROM HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINA-

TIONS TO MEET WITH BRITISH POLICE AUTHORITIES

RE: LONDON 20003

ASSISTANT SECRETARY BENNET HAS RECEIVED THE FOLLOWING LET-TER FROM G. ROBERT BLAKEY, CHIEF COUNSEL AND DIRECTOR, SE-LECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS: QUOTE: "DEAR MR. SECRE-

JFK Act 6 (4)

MANY THANKS FOR YOUR LETTER OF DECEMBER 9, 1977 ENCLOSING A

TELEGRAM FROM AMBASSADOR BREWSTER.

AS YOU KNOW. THE LIFE OF THE SELECT COMMITTEE IS LIMITED TO THE LIFE OF THE 95TH CONGRESS. IT IS THEREFORE IMPERATIVE THAT REPRESENTATIVES OF THE SELECT COMMITTEE BE ALLOWED TO

MEET AT THE EARLIEST POSSIBLE MOMENT, WITH RESPONSIBLE MEM -

WHO ARE KNOWLED GEABLE ABOUT ITS PARTICIPATION IN THE INVESTIGATION INTO THE DEATH OF DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., THE RESULTING CAPTURE OF JAMES EARL RAY IN LONDON ON JUNE 8, 1968 AND ANY FURTHER INVESTI-

GATION FOLLOWING HIS CAPTURE. WE WILL BE HAPPY TO MEET WITH THOSE REPRESENTATIVES IN GREAT BRITAIN TO PROVIDE ANSWERS TO THE QUESTIONS RAISED BY AMBASSADOR BREWSTER S TELEGRAM.

AGAIN, WE EMPHASIZE THAT TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE AND WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR ARRANGING FOR SUCH A MEETING AS SOON AS VERY TRULY YOURS, G. ROBERT BLAKEY. " END QUOTE.

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PERMIT AN INTERVIEW BETWEEN MEMBERS OF THE STAFF OF THE SELECT COMMITTEE AND APPROPRIATE OFFICIAL WHO PARTICIPATED IN 1. E INVEST CION MENTIONED IN BLAYEY LETTER AND ADVISE US WANCE

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Criminal Division Attention: Mr. Robert L. Keuch January 25, 1978

Director, PBI

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1 - Mr. Foster

1 - Legal Counsel Div. (Attn: Mr. Coulson)

HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS U. S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES (HSCA)

Reference is made to letter to the Attorney General from G. Robert Blakey, Chief Counsel and Director, HSCA, dated December 13, 1977, which requested, in connection with the HSCA's investigation into the assassination of Martin Luther King, Jr., certain information concerning identities of FBI agents assigned to the FBI's assassination investigation and to counterintelligence efforts against King.

Enclosed are an original and one copy of a memorandum in response to the above request. It is requested that you furnish a copy of the enclosed memorandum to the HSCA.

Enclosures - 2

- Office of Legislative Affairs (Enclosure)

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Assistant Attorney General Criminal Division Attention: Mr. Robert L. Keuch

NOTE: By teletype dated 12/27/77, field offices designated by the HSCA were advised of the contents of the HSCA letter of 12/13/77. Responses have been received. Rather than incorporate the voluminous results into a letter to the Committee, it is more practical to make available for HSCA access at FBIHQ incoming field office teletypes.

It should be noted that, under current operating procedures existing between the Department of Justice and the HSCA, disclosure of these agents identities to the HSCA cannot be prevented. However, G. Robert Blakey, Chief Counsel and Director, HSCA, has advised SA D. O. Coulson of Legal Liaison and Congressional Affairs Unit, Legal Counsel Division, that, in absence of an overriding need to do otherwise, the HSCA will not publish the names of any agent personnel below the position of section chief. This policy would follow precedent of the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence which issued its report in 1976.

1 - Mr. Foster 1 - Legal Counsel Div. (Attn: Mr. Coulson)

January 25, 1978

HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS U. S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES (HSCA)

Reference is made to letter to the Attorney General from G. Robert Blakey, Chief Counsel and Director, HSCA, dated December 13, 1977, which requested, in connection with the HSCA's investigation into the assassination of Martin Luther King, Jr., certain information concerning identities of FBI agents assigned to the FBI's assassination investigation and to counterintelligence efforts against King.

In response to the above request, the following information is submitted:

On December 19, 1977, Mr. Robert L. Keuch, Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, advised that the Department of Justice would respond to Part A, Items 1 and 2 and Part B, Items 1 and 2, of the above request.

Regarding Part A, Item 3 and Part B, Item 3, the FBI field offices designated by the HSCA were requested to provide the information desired by the HSCA. Responses from these field offices have been received and copies of these documents are available for HSCA access at FBI Headquarters.

With respect to Part A, Item 4, a review of FBI Headquarters indices disclosed no memoranda, records, documents and news releases generated by the FBI in connection with the MURKIN investigation, other than that contained in the MURKIN file, which has already been made available to the HSCA.

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In response to Part B, Item 4, it should be noted that HSCA request of November 30, 1977, asked for all FBI material pertaining to Martin Luther King, Jr., and the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) in the FBI's Counterintelligence Program (COINTELPRO) file. Dy letter dated January 11, 1978, you were advised that representatives of the MSCA agreed to limit its request to COINTELPRO files involving the Communist Party USA and Black Nationalist-Mate Groups and to limit the period of HSCA interest from January 1, 1967, to May 1, 1968. On January 23, 1978, Staff Attorney Michael Eberhardt reiterated that the ESCA's interest is that period rather than the years 1965-1968 as set forth in the request of December 13, 1977. The above-mentioned COINTELPRO files and files of the King and SCLC security investigations from January 1, 1967, to May 1, 1968, have been prepared for HECA access. Therefore. based on knowledge of personnel of the Congressional Inquiry Unit processing HSCA requests regarding King, all material at FBI Headquarters, which may contain COINTELPRO-type activities against King and SCLC during the period January 1, 1967, to May 1. 1968, has been made available to the HECA.

NOTE: See Director, FBI, letter to Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, Attention: Mr. Robert L. Keuch, dated 1/25/78, captioned, "House Select Committee on Assassinations, U. S. House of Representatives (HSCA)."

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The Honorable Griffin B. Bell Attorney General of the United States Department of Justice

Attention: Mr. Robert L. Keuch Deputy Assistant Attorney General Criminal Division, Room 2113

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Dear Mr. Attorney General:

Washington, D. C.

In connection with the investigation by this Committee into the death of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., it is requested that the Department of Justice and the Federal Bureau of Investigation provide the following: -

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MURKIN Investigation

- A list of all Department of Justice attorneys who participated in any way in the direction or management of the MURKIN investigation and the Division and Section within the Department of Justice where these attorneys were then assigned;
- Copies of all memoranda, records, documents, and news releases generated by the Department of Justice in connection with MURKIN investigation exclusive of what is contained in the MURKIN file already provided to the Committee;
- 3. A list of the field office case agents assigned to the MURKIN investigation for the following cities, with a designation as to the nature of each agent's assignment immediately prior to his involvement in the MURKIN investigation:

Atlanta Chicago St. Louis Birmingham Memphis New Orleans Los Angeles Miami

This information should include the type of division, section and squad to which each case agent was assigned.

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Copies of all memoranda, recomes, documents and news releases generated by the Federal Bureau of Investigation in connection with the MURKIN investigation exclusive of what is contained in the MURKIN file already provided to the Committee.

B. COINTELPRO

- 1. A list of all Department of Justice attorneys who were in receipt of any information concerning the COINTELPRO activities of the Federal Bureau of Investigation as such were directed at Dr. King or the SCLC during the period 1965 through 1968.
- Copies of all memoranda, records and documents generated by the Department of Justice in connection with the COINTELPRO activities of the FBI as such were directed at Dr. King or the SCLC during the period 1965 through 1968.
- 3. A list of the field office case agents assigned to the COINTELPRO efforts directed at Dr. King or the SCLC during 1965 to 1968 from the following cities, with a designation as to the nature of each agent's actual assignment during that period:

Atlanta Chicago St. Louis Birmingham Memphis New Orleans Los Angeles Mîami

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This information should include the type of division, section and squad to which each case agent was assigned.

4. Copies of all memoranda, records and documents generated by the FBI in connection with the COINTELPRO efforts directed at Dr. King or the SCLC during the period 1965 to 1968 which are not contained in the files requested by Committee letter dated November 30, 1977.

Your prompt attention to this matter-will be greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours,

G. Robert Blakey

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Chief Counsel and Director

GRB:mea Mr. Danny O. Coulson

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Select Committee on Assassinations

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January 17, 1978

SECTION GOVERNMENT

The Honorable Griffin B. Bell Attorney General of the United States Départment of Justice Washington, D. C. 20530

Attention: Mr. Robert L. Keuch

Deputy Assistant Attorney General

Criminal Division, Room 2113

Dear Mr. Attorney General:

In connection with the investigation of the House Select Committee on Assassinations into the death of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., it would be appreciated if you could make available to the Committee staff access to the following:

- All files, materials and information including, but not limited to, intelligence and security materials relating to the following organizations active in California for 1967-1969:
 - a) John Birch Society
 - American Independent Party b)
 - George Wallace Campaign

All files, materials and information, including, but not limited to, intelligence, surveillance and security materials for 1967-1968 pertaining to Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and his activities in California.

Your prompt attention to the request will be greatly appreciated. REC-65

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JAN 31 1978

G. Robert Blakey Chief Counsel and Director 62-117290

GRB: mkd

Danny O. Coulson

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Assistant Attorney General Criminal Division Attention: Mr. Robert L. Keuch

Director, FBI

HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS U. S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES (HSCA)

October 31, 1977

- Mr. Monahan

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Reference is made to a letter dated October 20, 1977, to Robert L. Keuch, Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, from G. Robert Blakey, Chief Counsel and Director, HSCA. This letter requests all information in possession of the FBI to include the current FBI Identification Division record relative to William Herman Jackson.

Based on information furnished by the Committee, retrievable information identifiable with Jackson has been prepared for Committee access subject to the usual excisions and deletions. This material is available to the Committee in Room 8988 of the J. Edgar Hoover Building.

Enclosed are original and two copies of a memorandum which responds to this HSCA request. You are requested to furnish a copy of the enclosed memorandum to the HSCA.

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Assistant Attorney General Criminal Division Attention: Mr. Robert L. Keuch

NOTE: This responds to a request by HSCA for information contained in the Bureau's files relative to William Herman Jackson. This matter has been coordinated with the Legal. Liaison and Congressional Affairs Unit, Legal Counsel Division, and retrievable documents in FBI Headquarters files, which are identifiable with Jackson, have been organized into folders for the Committee's access and are maintained in the Congressional Inquiry Unit's space, Room 8988.

Documents retrieved from FBI Headquarters files include Jackson's current ident record, the results of an FBI investigation wherein Jackson was one of four subjects - captioned "Leslie Atkisons, aka, Et Al; Miscellaneous - Falsely Making or Forging Naval, Military or Official Pass," two references re a Foreign Police Cooperation Matter and two references re a Perjury Matter.

1 - Mr. Monahan

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Mr. Coulson) October 31, 1977

HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS U. S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES (HSCA)

OCTOBER 20, 1977, REQUEST OF HSCA FOR INFORMATION IN POSSESSION OF THE FBI TO INCLUDE A CURRENT FBI IDENTIFICATION DIVISION RECORD RELATIVE TO

WILLIAM HERMAN JACKSON.

This constitutes a complete response to the October 20, 1977, letter of G. Robert Blakey, Chief Counsel and Director, HSCA.

Chief Counsel Blakey requested all FBI information as well as a current FBI Identification Division record relative to William Herman Jackson.

Utilizing identifying data for Jackson furnished by the HSCA, retrievable information in FBI Headquarters files identifiable with Jackson has been prepared for the Committee's access subject to the usual excisions and deletions.

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ORIGINAL AND TWO SENT TO MR. ROBERT L. KEUCH, DEPUTY ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL, CRIMINAL DIVISION.

See Director, FBI, letter to Assistant Attorney General, 409 Criminal Division, Attention: Mr. Robert L. Keuch, dated 10/31/77, captioned, "House Select Committee on Assassinations, U. S. House of Representatives (HSCA).

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October 20, 1977

Robert L. Keuch, Esq.
Deputy Assistant Attorney General
Criminal Division, Room 2113
Department of Justice
Washington, D. C. 20530

Dear Mr. Keuch:

The Select Committee on Assassinations would appreciate any and all information as well as a current FBI Identification Division record check relative to William Herman Jackson, FBI #801-218-G, D.O.B. 11/24/26.

Very truly yours;

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G. Robert Blakey Chief Counsel and Director

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Cc: Mr. Danny O. Coulson
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The Deputy Attorney General December 29, 1977

Director, FBI

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In accordance with Attorney General Order 116-56, this memorandum advises that Special Agent William F. Kusch was interviewed on November 16, 1977. A memorandum setting forth Mr. Kusch's account of this interview is enclosed for your information.

Enclosure

1 - Assistant Attorney General - Enclosure Criminal Division Attn: Robert Keuch

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The Deputy Attorney General HSCA
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In accordance with Attorney General Order 116-56, this memorandum advises that Special Agent William F. Kusch was interviewed on 11/16/77. A memorandum setting forth Mr. Kusch's account of this interview is enclosed for your information.

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DIRECTOR, FBI (62-117290) ATTN: OFFICE OF LEGAL COUNSEL

12/19/77 DATE:

FROM

SAC, PORTLAND (62-3144)

SUBJECT:

HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS (HSCA)

Enclosed herewith are five copies of an LHM relative. to the interview of SA WILLIAM F. KUSCH, Portland Division, by staff members of the HSCA in Washington, D.C., on 11/16/77.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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Portland, Oregon

December 19, 1977

HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS

On November 16, 1977, SA William F. Kusch of the Portland Division of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) was interviewed at House Annex #2 in Washington, D.C., by Mr. Mark Speiser and Mr. Peter Beeson, members of the House Select Committee on Assassinations, investigating the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

The interview with SA Kusch dealt with a period of time SA Kusch was assigned to the New Orleans Division of the FBI, specifically April, 1968. During April of 1968, SA Kusch, along with numerous other Special Agents assigned to the New Orleans Division, conducted many interviews with persons who had, or who might have had, knowledge of the activities or contacts of James Earl Ray during the period of time Ray, using the name Eric Galt, was in New Orleans.

Specifically, SA Kusch was questioned regarding his squad assignments in New Orleans, the identities of other squad members, the identity of his supervisor, his Agent in charge and his assistant Agent in charge at the time.

Further, SA Kusch was questioned relative to the content of several interview report forms (FD 302s) concerning interviews that he conducted and prepared appropriate FD 302s in connection therewith, or FD 302s covering interviews that he was a party to. House Select Committee on Assassinations members exhibited said FD 302s to SA Kusch to refresh his memory.

House Select Committee members in essence apparently desired SA Kusch to amplify or further expand on these interviews.

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SA Kusch pointed out that as a result of the passage of nine and one-half years, for the most part he could not specifically recall the persons interviewed. To specific questions regarding the interviews, SA Kusch could only point out that if additional questions had been asked of these persons interviewed at the time, resulting in the receipt of any positive or pertinent information regarding Galt, that information would have been duly recorded on said FD 302s.

Both Mr. Speiser and Mr. Beeson were cordial and SA Kusch responded to their questions in a candid manner.

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Assistant Attorney General Criminal Division Attention: Mr. Robert L. Keuch

Director, FBI

January 26, 1978

1 - Mr. Foster

1 - Legal Counsel Div.

(Attn: Mr. Coulson)

HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS U. S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES (HSCA)

Reference As made to letter to the Attorney General from G. Robert Blakey, Chief Counsel and Director, HSCA, dated December 15, 1977, which, in connection with HSCA's investigation into the assassination of Martin Luther King, Jr., requested information pertaining to FBI electronic suveillance of King and any other individual directly or indirectly associated with the Southern Christian Leadership Conference.

Enclosed are an original and one copy of a memorandum in response to the above request. It is requested that you furnish a copy of the enclosed memorandum to the HSCA.

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Assistant Attorney General Criminal Division Attention: Mr. Robert L. Keuch

NOTE: Dates and places of electronic surveillance of King were compiled through file reviews conducted in connection with previous law suits filed against the FBI by the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) and a former SCLC officer and aide to King, Bernard S. Lee. Although names of specific SCLC affiliates were not provided by the HSCA in its request, all names are readily available to the Committee, which has received access to our files concerning King and SCLC.



l - Mr. Foster 1 - Legal Counsel Div. (Attn: Mr. Coulson)

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January 26, 1978

HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS U. S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES (HSCA)

Reference is made to letter to the Attorney General from G. Robert Blakey, Chief Counsel and Director, HSCA, dated December 15, 1977, which requested information in connection with the HSCA's investigation into the assassination of Martin Luther King, Jr. This letter requested that the FBI determine the dates and places of any and all electronic surveillance of King and any other individual directly or indirectly associated with the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC). The Committee indicated it only desired written confirmation as to the existence of such electronic surveillance and the dates and places involved, with no reference to the results of such surveillance.

In response to the above request, appropriate records at FBI Headquarters were reviewed with the following results:

Microphone Surveillances of King

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Dates of Surveillance Location January 5-7, 1964 Willard Hotel, Washington, D. C. January 27, 1964 Shroeder Hotel, Milwaukee, Wisconsin February 18-20, 1964 Hilton Hawaiian Village, Honolulu, Hawaii February 20-21, 1964 Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, California February 22-24, 1964 Hyatt House Motel, Los Angeles, California March 19-20, 1964 Statler Hotel, Assoc. Dir. . Detroit, Michigan Dep. AD Adm. JTA: sas (6) SEE NOTE PAGE FOUR ORIGINAL AND ONE SENT TO ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL, CRIMINAL Adm. Serv. __DIVISION, ATTENTION: MR. ROBERT L. KEUCH, & ONE SENT TO OFFICE Classified by \$437 Fin. & Pers. OF LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS. Intell. Laboratory .. Exempt from CVS, Category 2 Legal Coun. Date of Declasification Indefinite Plan. & Insp. DESTUCCIETO DISPUNDANZA Rec. Mgnt. _ Spec. Inv. -Tech. Servs. -<u>ENCLOSURE</u> Training_ 62-117290-106 Public Affs. Off ._

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April 23-24, 1964

July 7-9, 1964

September 28, 1964 - October 2, 1964 January 8-11, 1965

January 28-31, 1965

March 29-31, 1965

May 12-13, 1965

October 14-15, 1965

October 28-30, 1965

November 29-30, 1965

January 22, 1966

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Senator Hotel, Sacramento, California Hyatt House Motel. Los Angeles, California Manager Motel. Savannah, Georgia Park Sheraton Hotel. New York City Americana Hotel, New York City Park Sheraton Hotel. New York City Sheraton Atlantic Hotel. New York City Astor Hotel. New York City New York Hilton Hotel. New York City Americana Hotel. New York City Americana Hotel. New York City

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Dates of Surveillance

August 22-27, 1964

November 8, 1963 - April 30, 1965 April 24-26, 1964

July 7-9, 1964

August 14, 1964 - September 6, 1964

Location

Claridge Hotel,
Atlantic City, New Jersey
Martin Luther King's
residence
Hyatt House Motel,
Los Angeles, California
Hyatt House Hotel,
Los Angeles, California
Apartment 2B,
125 H. 72nd Street,
New York City



House Select Committee on Assassinations

Telephone Surveillances of SCLC

June 21, 1966

Dates of Surveillance Location October 23, 1963 -SCLC Office. January 24, 1964 Hew York City Room 1202, July 13-31, 1964 14 E. 40th Street. New York City November 8. 1963 -SCLC Office,

In an effort to respond to that portion of the HSCA's request concerning existence or nonexistence of electronic surveillance of individuals directly or indirectly associated with the SCLC, personnel of the Congressional Inquiry Unit, FBI Headquarters, familiar with certain aspects of the King, SCLC and related files, compiled a list of individuals with the SCLC for the approximate period January, 1962, through 1968. Although this list is not all inclusive due to the large number of persons affiliated with the SCLC, an offort was made to include those individuals in key positions and who were most active in the organization. Most of the individuals listed were identified with the SCLC Headquarters in Atlanta, Georgia. Pased on review of appropriate records at FBI Headquarters, none of the belowlisted individuals has been subject of electronic surveillance by the FBI:

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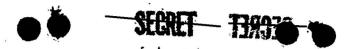
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Atlanta, Georgia





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Records at FBI Headquarters disclosed that the following individuals, formerly associated with the SCLC, were subjects of electronic surveillance by the FBI (Secret).

Stanley David Levison Clarence B. Jones Hunter Pitts O'Dell Bayard Rustin

NOTE: See Director, FBI, letter to Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, Attention: Mr. Robert L. Keuch, dated 1/26/78, captioned, "House Select Committee on Assassinations, U. S. House of Representatives (HSCA)."

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Congressional Affairs

The Honorable Griffin B. Bell Attorney General of the United States Department of Justice Washington, D.C. 20530

Attention: Mr. Robert L. Keuch

Deputy Assistant Attorney General

Criminal Division, Room 2113

Dear Mr. Attorney General:

In connection with the investigation by this Committee into the death of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., it is requested that the Federal Bureau of Investigation review its files on electronic surveillance and determine the dates and places of any and all electronic surveillance of Dr. King and any other individual directly or indirectly associated with the SCLC.

At this time the Committee only desires a written confirmation as to the existence of such electronic surveillance and the dates and places involved with no reference to the results of such surveillance.

Your prompt attention to this matter will be greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours,

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G. Robert Blakey Chief Counsel and Director

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cc: Mr. Danny O. Coulson

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IN ANSWER TO QUESTION NO. TWO: THERE WERE NO COUNTERINTELLIGENCE EFFORTS BY BIRMINGHAM AGENTS AGAINST MARTIN LUTHER
KING OR THE SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE DURING THE
PERIOD OF 1965 THROUGH 1968.

THE FOLLOWING WERE CASE AGENTS ASSIGNED TO SUBSTANTIVE
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TO SECURITY SQUAD AND SECURITY INVESTIGATION.

THE FOLLOWING AGENTS WERE ASSIGNED TO INVESTIGATION OF SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE:

WILL IAM PERRY (DECEASED), PREVIOUSLY ASSIGNED TO CRIMINAL SQUAD AND WORK; COLEMAN D. GEARY, III, PREVIOUSLY ASSIGNED TO BOMBING MATTERS; LAWRENCE GETTINGS (SUPRA); MARVIN M. EUBANKS (SUPRA) AND C. B. STANBERRY, PREVIOUSLY ASSIGNED TO SECURITY SQUAD AND SECURITY INVESTIGATIONS.

THE ABOVE INFORMATION WAS OBTAINED AFTER A REVIEW OF BIRMINGHAM INDICES AND SUBSEQUENT FILE REVIEW.

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The Honorable Griffin B. Bell Attorney General of the United States Department of Justice Washington, D.C.

Attention: Mr. Robert L. Keuch

Deputy Assistant Attorney General Criminal Division, Room 2113

Dear Mr. Attorney General:

By letter dated January 4, 1977, this Committee requested access to materials, files, memoranda and miscellaneous items pertaining to Gerold Frank in connection with the investigation into the death of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. These materials (94-63917) have been reviewed by the staff, and it would be appreciated, if the materials could be prepared for delivery, along with copies of the following additional items:

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Additionally, it is requested that the Bureau begin to prepare for delivery all files, memoranda and miscellaneous items on William Bradford Huie for the years 1968 to the present.

Your prompt attention to this matter will be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

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G. Robert Blakey Chief Counsel and Director

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cc: Danny O. Coulson

Assistant Attorney General

Criminal Division

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January 26, 1978

Attention: Mr. Robert L. Keuch

Director, FBI

1 - Mr. Foster

1 - Legal Counsel Div.

(Attn: Mr. Coulson)

HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS U. S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES (HSCA)

Reference is made to letter to the Attorney General from G. Robert Blakey, Chief Counsel and Director, HSCA, dated December 9, 1977, which, in connection with the HSCA's investigation into the assassination of Martin Author King, Jr., requested that former agent Robert Nichols be made available for interview by the HSCA.

Enclosed are an original and one copy of a memorandum in response to the above request. It is requested that you furnish a copy of the enclosed memorandum to the HSCA.

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Assistant Attorney General Criminal Division Attention: Mr. Robert L. Keuch

NOTE: Former SA Nichols works and resides in Atlanta. The Atlanta Office has been in touch with him regarding the interview and he is awaiting further contact for final interview arrangements. These arrangements are handled informally by representatives of the Legal Liaison and Congressional Affairs Unit and the Congressional Inquiry Unit of FBIHQ.

1 - Mr. Foster 1 - Legal Counsel Div. (Attn: Mr. Coulson)

January 26, 1978

HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS U. S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES (HSCA)

Reference is made to letter to the Attorney General from G. Robert Blakey, Chief Counsel and Director, HSCA, dated December 9, 1977, which, in connection with the HSCA's investigation into the assassination of Martin Luther King, Jr., requested that former agent Robert Nichols be made available for interview by the HSCA.

This memorandum is to confirm that former agent Nichols has been cleared from his employment agreement and is available for interview as needed by the HSCA. Arrangements for interview can be made through contact with representatives of the Legal Liaison and Congressional Affairs Unit and the Congressional Inquiry Unit of FBI Headquarters.

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ORIGINAL AND ONE SENT TO ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL, CRIMINAL DIVISION, ATTENTION: MR. ROBERT L. KEUCH, AND ONE SENT TO OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS.

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Attention: Mr. Robert L. Keuch

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Criminal Division, Room 2113

Dear Mr. Attorney General:

In connection with the investigation by this Committee into the death of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., it is requested that ex-FBI agent Robert Nichols, formerly of the Atlanta field office, be made available to the Committee for interview on a priority basis.

Your prompt attention to this matter will be greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours,

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G. Robert Blakey Chief Counsel and Director

cc: Danny O. Coulson

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HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS (HSCA)

THE HSCA IS CURRENTLY CONDUCTING INVESTIGATION INTO THE ASSASSINATION OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. BY LETTER DATED DECEMBER 30, 1977, TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL, THE HSCA REQUEST! THE FBI PROVIDE ALL FILES. DOCUMENTS AND OTHER MATERIALS 645 CONCERNING RICHARD GEPPERT, BORN JULY 3], 194], RESIDING AT 340 NIEDRINGHAUS AVENUE, GRANITE CITY, ILLINOIS. NR 8/25178

BY LETTER DATED JANUARY 36, 3978, THE HSCA EXTENDED ITS REQUEST TO INCLUDE FIELD OFFICE FILES. THE HSCA ALSÓ FURNISHED A SIGNED STATEMENT OF GEPPERT, DATED DECEMBER 28, 1977, AUTHORIZING HSCA REVIEW OF ALL MATERIAL CONCERNING HIM IN POSSESSION OF THE FBI. IN THIS STATEMENT GEPPERT ALSO DISCLOSED THAT HE VOLUNTEERED TO HSCA STAFF MEMBERS THE EXTENT AND NATURE OF HIS INFORMANT RELATIONSHIP WITH THE FBI.

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FBIHQ FILES DISCLOSED GEPPERT WAS SUBJECT OF SPRINGFIELD EXTREMIST MATTER INVESTIGATION (]57-]792) IN]972 AND SPRINGFIELD FILE 44-]]20 FOLLOWING ALLEGED HARASSMENT BY OFFICERS OF THE GRANITE CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT IN]975. HE WAS ALSO SUBJECT OF SPRINGFIELD FILE]70-445.

SPRINGFIELD PROMPTLY FURNISH FBIHQ ONE XEROX COPY OF EACH SERIAL IN THE ABOVE THREE INVESTIGATIONS AND ONE COPY OF ANY OTHER MAIN FILE OR FILE REFERENCE WHICH MAY BE IDENTIFIABLE WITH GEPPERT. THIS MATERIAL SHOULD BE FORWARDED BY COVER AIRTEL TO FBIHQ, ATTENTION CONGRESSIONAL INQUIRY UNIT, RECORDS MANAGEMENT DIVISION. UPON RECEIPT AT FBIHQ THE MATERIAL WILL BE PROCESSED FOR ACCESS BY STAFF MEMBERS OF THE HSCA.

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NOTE: This teletype confirms telephonic communication with Supervisor Joseph Ondula of the Springfield Office on 1/19/78. This matter has been coordinated with SA M. V. Hale, Top Echelon and Criminal Informant Unit, Criminal Investigative Division.

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Atlanta has reviewed pertinent files as requested by FBIHQ, and the information sought by the HSCA is set forth below in chart form:

1. MURKIN (Atlanta file 44-2386)

Case Agent	Period assigned	Division, Section, or Squad of Assignment	Nature of Agent's Assign- ment prior to involvement in MURKIN investigation
ALAN G. SENTINELLA	4/8/68 - 4/29/68	Atlanta - #3, Security/extremist Squad	Security/extremist investigations
ROBERT R. PERRY	4/29/68 - 7/30/68	Atlanta #4 Fugitives	Fugitive investi- gations
O. RICHARD HAMILTON	7/30/68 - 7/31/69	Atlanta - #3	Extremist investigations
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O. RICHARD HAMILTON	8/13/74 - 9/24/74	Atlanta - #8 Civil rights, thefts from interstate shipment (TFIS) Etc.	Civil rights matters

Case Agent	Period assigned	Division, Section, or Squad of Assignment	Nature of Agent's Assign- ment prior to involvement in MURKIN investigation
THOMAS J.	8/26/75 -	Atlanta - #8	Civil Rights,
WILSON	9/8/75		TFIS
THOMAS J. WILSON	1/7/78 - 3/23/76	Atlanta - #8	΄ π
JOHN J.	10/12/77 -	Atlanta - #8	Civil Rights
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 Atlanta Agents assigned to/or who handled the Atlanta Counterintelligence Program (Cointelpro) during the period 1965 - 1968 in which efforts were directed against KING and the SCLC

Case Agent	Period assigned	Division, Section, or Squad of Assignment	Agent's Assign- ment prior to involvement in Cointelpro
CPUSA Cointelpro			
ALDEN F. MILLER	4/14/64 - 8/13/65	Atlanta - #3	Security Investigations
Cointelpro Black Nation Hate Groups	nalist-	•	
EDWARD U. CRIM	8/29/67 - 7/30/69	Atlanta - #3	Security/extremist Investigations
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Case Agent	Period assigned	Division, Section, or Squad of Assignment	Nature of Agent's Assign- ment prior to involvement in Cointelpro
ROBERT R.	1/1/64 - 8/20/64	Atlanta - #3	Security/extremist investigations
ALDEN F. MILLER	2/4/64 - 8/21/64	Atlanta - #3	Security investigations
ALAN G. SENTINELLA	7/22/65 - 4/15/69	Atlanta - #3	Security/extremist investigations

3. Identity of case agent(s) involved in the security investigation of MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., and the SCLC

Case Agent	Period ° assigned	Division, Section, or Squad of Assignment	Nature of Agent's Assign- ment prior to involvement in KING and SCLC investigations
MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. SM-C	_		
ROBERT R. NICHOLS	3/7/61 - 5/12/61	Atlanta - #3	Security/extremist investigations
ROBERT R. NICHOLS	2/28/62 - 10/16/62	Atlanta - #3	tf
ROBERT R. NICHOLS	1/9/63 - · 7/31/63	Atlanta - #3	H'
ROBERT R. NICHOLS	11/6/63 - 5/21/65	Atlanta - #3	n
ALAN G. SENTINELLA	5/21/65 - 6/5/68	Atlanta - #3	n

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Case Agent	Period assigned	Division, Section, or Squad of Assignment	Nature of Agent's Assign- ment prior to involvement in KING and SCLC investigations
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ROBERT R. NICHOLS	4/17/62 - 12/1/64	Atlanta - #3	Security/extremist investigations
ALDEN F. MILLER	12/1/64 - 4/26/66	Atlanta - #3	Security investigations
ALAN G. SENTINELLA	4/26/66 - 3/12/71	Atlanta - #3	Security/extremist investigations
O. RICHARD HAMILTON	3/12/71 - 5/23/73	Atlanta - #3	Extremist investigations
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ATTENTION: CONGRESSIONAL INQUIRY UNIT, SPECIAL INVESTIGATIVE

DIVISION

HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS (HSCA), BUDED JANUARY

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RE BUREAU TELETYPE TO ATLANTA. DATED DECEMBER 27, 1977.

PURSUANT TO REFERENCED COMMUNICATION, APPROPRIATE REVIEW OF FILES MAINTAINED BY LOUISVILLE DIVISION REVEALED FOLLOWING DATA REQUESTED BY HSCA.

- (1) NOT APPLICABLE TO LOUISVILLE DIVISION.
- (2) NO COUNTERINTELLIGENCE (COINTELPRO) EFFORTS DIRECTED

AGAINST EITHER MARTIN LUTHER KING .. OR SOUTHERN CONFERENCE

EDUCATIONAL FUND (SCEF), DURING PERIOD 1965-1968, COULD BE

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OF KING AND SCLC. NO COINTELPRO ACTIVITIES WERE EITHER
CONSIDERED OR CARRIED OUT AGAINST KING AND SCLC BY LOUISVILLE
DIVISION.

SECURITY INVESTIGATION OF MART IN LUTHER KING, JR.,
ASSIGNED SA GEORGE W. HUTCHINSON, JR. (RETIRED) MAY 14, 1965 AUGUST 13, 1966, AND SA RICHARD B. VIVIAN JULY 30, 1976 OCTOBER 20, 1976. LATTER ASSIGNMENT ADMINISTRATIVE IN CONNECTION WITH DEPARTMENTAL REVIEW.

SECURITY INVESTIGATION OF SCLC ASSIGNED SA WARREN L.

WALSH (RETIRED) SEPTEMBER 29, 1961 - OCTOBER 30, 1961; OCTOBER

17, 1963 - NOVEMBER 18, 1963; DECEMBER 14, 1963 - JANUARY 22,

1964; JUNE 5, 1964 - JULY 8, 1964; SEPTEMBER 21, 1964 - OCTOBER

12, 1964; JUNE 2, 1965 - JULY 20, 1965; NOVEMBER 17, 1965
JANUARY 20, 1966; JULY 13, 1966 - AUGUST 12, 1966; FEBRUARY

10, 1967 - MARCH 24, 1967; SA GEORGE W. HUTCHISON, JR. (RETIRED)

AUGUST 12, 1968 - JUNE 5, 1969; SA WARREN L. WALSH (RETIRED)

JUNE 5, 1969 - JULY 29, 1969. SCLC (BUFILE 100-438794)

(LS 157-90) INVESTIGATED BY LOUISVILLE AS "RACIAL MATTER"

AND "INTERNAL SECURITY - COMMUNIST".

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SPECIAL AGENTS GEORGE W. HUTCHISON, JR. (RETIRED), WARREN

L. WALSH (RETIRED) AND RICHARD B. VIVIAN ALL ASSIGNED LOUISVILLE

SECURITY - CIVIL RIGHTS SQUAD PRIOR TO AND DURING ABOVE

LISTED CASE ASSIGNMENTS.

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ATTENTION: CONGRESSIONAL INQUIRY UNIT, SPECIAL INVESTIGATIVE

HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS (HSCA); BUDED JANUARY 13,

REFERENCE BUREAU TELETYPE DATED JULY 27, 1977.

(1) FORMER SPECIAL AGENT HAPOLD R. DOBSON WAS CASE AGENT AS-SIGNED TO MURKIN INVESTIGATION, ST. LOUIS FILE 44-775, BUREAU FILE 44-38861, IN ST. LOUIS DIVISION. FORMER SPECIAL AGENT DOBSON WAS ASSIGNED TO SECURITY SQUAD AND HANDLED SECURITY TYPE CASES PRIOR TO HIS INVOLVEMENT IN MURKIN INVESTIGATION.

(2) ST. LOUIS FILE 157-5818 ENTITLED "COUNTERINTELLIGENCE PROGRAMS, BLACK NATIONALISTS, HATE GROUPS, RACIAL INTELLIGENCE" WAS OPENED AS A PENDING INACTIVE STATUS CONTROL FILE ON AUGUST 29, 1

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ON FEBRUARY 27, 1968, THROUGH JANUARY 8, 1969, WAS ASSIGNED TO SPECIAL AGENT JACK A. FRENCH OF SECURITY SQUAD AT ST. LOUIS DIVISION. HIS ASSIGNMENT IMMEDIATELY PRIOR TO THIS CASE ASSIGNMENT WAS TO HANDLE SECURITY TYPE CASES.

ST. LOUIS FILE 100-17801, BUREAU FILE 100-106670, ENTITLED

"MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.; SECURITY MATTER - C" WAS ASSIGNED TO

FOLLOWING AGENTS: FORMER SPECIAL AGENT RICHARD B. SMITH, JANUARY 15,

1965, THROUGH JANUARY 19, 1965, FEBRUARY 3, 1965, THROUGH APRIL 10,

1965; SPECIAL AGENT ROBERT S. STEWART, APRIL 28, 1965, THROUGH

APRIL 28, 1965; FORMER SPECIAL AGENT WALTER A. HILGENDORF,

NOVEMBER 11, 1965, THROUGH NOVEMBER 12, 1965, AND JUNE 14, 1966,

THROUGH JUNE 17, 1966; FORMER AGENT RICHARD B. SMITH, OPENING DATE

UNKNOWN THROUGH JULY 6, 1966, AND MARCH 25, 1967, THROUGH MARCH 27,

1967.

ST. LOUIS FILE 105-4027, BUREAU FILE 100-438794, ENTITLED

"COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE;
RM; IS - C" WAS ASSIGNED TO FOLLOWING AGENTS: FORMER AGENT WALTER A.
HILGENDORF, SEPTEMBER 23, 1964, THROUGH DECEMBER 10, 1964, AND
MARCH 21, 1965, THROUGH APRIL 19, 1965; SPECIAL AGENT JACK A. FRENCH,
JUNE 3, 1965, THROUGH JUNE 16, 1965; FORMER AGENT WALTER A.

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HILR NDORF, FEBRUARY 24, 1966, THROUGH DATE UNKNOWN; SPECIAL AGENT

JACK A. FRENCH, JUNE 6, 1969, THROUGH JULY 23, 1969. THE ABOVE

AGENTS AND FORMER AGENTS WERE ASSIGNED TO ST. LOUIS DIVISION SECURITY

SQUAD DURING PERTINENT PERIOD.

A REVIEW OF ABOVE FILES DISCLOSED NO INSTANCES WHERE COUNTER-INTELLIGENCE ACTIVITIES WERE CONSIDERED OR CAPRIED OUT AGAINST KING OR THE SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE. BT

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M. KELLEY, ET AL (U.S.D.C., D.C.) (CIVIL ACTION NUMBER

76-1186) BUFILE 62-117193, LA FILE 100-57229," LOS

ANGELES HAS PERMANENTLY CHARGED OUT TO THE BUREAU SEVERAL

SERIALS WHICH THEREFORE ARE NOT AVAILABLE FOR REVIEW.

SERIALS WERE FROM FILES CAPTIONED "MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR;

SECURITY MATTER-COMMUNIST; BUFILE 100-106670; LA FILE

100-57229"; "COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF SCLS;

IS - C; BUFILE 100-438794 AND 100-442349; LA FILE

100-65141"; "CP-USA NEGRO QUESTION, COMMUNIST INFILTRATION

IN RACIAL MATTERS; IS-C; BUFILE 100-3-116, LA FILE 157-859."

A REVIEW OF PERTINENT FILES WITHIN THE LOS ANGELES DIVISION BETWEEN THE YEARS 1965 - 1968 DETERMINED THE FOLLOWING:

. THE ABOVE FILE REGARDING COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF THE SCLC WAS HANDLED ON THE SUBSTANTATIVE DESK SUPERVISED BY SA JOHN S. TEMPLE WHICH WAS DESIGNATED AS SQUAD NUMBER TWO. THIS SQUAD HANDLED INVESTIGATIONS OF RACIAL AND BLACK EXTREMIST MATTERS. THIS INVESTIGATION WAS ASSIGNED TO SA LOUIS K. DE GEUS IN FEBRUARY 1965; SA R. ANDREWS PETERS IN

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SEPTEMBER 1965; SA W. JAMES WOOD IN APRIL 1967; SA
WALTER M. BRADY IN JANUARY 1968; AND SA E. RHEAD RICHARDS,
JR. IN MAY 1968.

THE MAIN FILE ON KING WAS ASSIGNED TO SQUAD TWO AS ABOVE AND WAS ASSIGNED TO SA DE GEUS IN JANUARY 1965; SA PETERS IN MARCH 1965; SA WOOD IN JANUARY 1967; SA BRADY IN JUNE 1967: AND SA GEORGE E. AIKEN, JR. IN FEBRUARY 1968.

THE FILE REGARDING THE CP-USA INFILTRATION OF RACIAL MATTERS IS ONLY PER IPHERALLY CONCERNED WITH KING OR THE SCLC AND CONTAINS NEWSPAPER CLIPPINGS AND OTHER INFORMATION WHICH WAS INCLUDED IN OTHER SUBSTANTATIVE FILES. WHILE NOT CLEAR, THE CASE APPEARS TO HAVE BEEN CONTROLLED BY SA TEMPLE.

THE ENTIRE SUBSTANTATIVE FILE CAPTIONED "MURKIN;
BUFILE 44-38861; LA FILE 44-1574" WAS COPIED AND SUBMITTED
TO THE BUREAU UNDER INSTANT CAPTION. THIS MATTER WAS
HANDLED ON SQUAD NUMBER ONE WHICH WAS SUPERVISED BY SA
WILLIAM JOHN NOLAN BUT APPEARS TO HAVE BEEN SUPERVISED BY

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SA TEMPLE. SQUAD NUMBER ONE HANDLED SECURITY TYPE
INVESTIGATION INVOLVING THE CP-USA, SWP, ET CETERA. THE
CASE APPEAR S TO HAVE BEEN AS ASSIGNED JOINTLY TO SA'S
LEROY W. SHEETS AND THEODORE J. A'HEARN ALTHOUGH SHEETS
WAS APPARENTLY INVOLVED AS CASE AGENT ONLY DURING THE
INITIAL STAGES IN APRIL 1968.

ALL OF THE ABOVE INDIVIDUALS WITH THE EXCEPTION OF SA 'S BRADY, RICHARDS AND AIKEN ARE NO LONGER EMPLOYEES OF THE FBI.

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E F T O HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS (HSCA), BUREAU DEADLINE

JANUARY 13, 1978.

SET OUT IN RE BUTEL:

RE BUTEL DECEMBER 27, 1977.

FOLLOWING IS NUMBERED PARAGRAPH REPLY TO REQUEST OF MIAMI

"MURKIN". SA DAVID N. JELLISON, ASSIGNED APRIL 8, 1968: 1.

NUMBER 5 SQUAD; IMMEDIATE PRIOR ASSIGNMENTS INVOLVED BLACK AND WHITE

EXTREMIST MATTERS AND CIVIL RIGHTS INVESTIGATIONS. SA LEON E.

FISH; ASSIGNED AUGUST 10, 1972 (RUC AUGUST 28, 1972); NUMBER 2

SQUAD; IMMEDIATELY PRIOR ASSIGNMENTS MAINLY CIVIL RIGHTS INVESTIGA-

(RUC AUGUST 3 TIONS; SA JOSEPH T. O'LEARY; ASSIGNED JULY 30, 1976), FBIHQ ADMINISTRATIVE TELEST; IMMEDIATELY PRIOR ASSIGNED

APPLICANT INVESTIGATIONS. SRA JOHN S. ATWATER; ASSIGNED JUNE 3,

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IMMEDIATELY PRIOR ASSIGNMENTS GENERAL CRIMINAL AND SECURITY.

- 2. A. "MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.; SM-C. "SA RAYMOND L.

 O'KELLY, ASSIGNED 1965 THROUGH 1968; NUMBER 3 SQUAD; IMMEDIATELY

 PRIOR ASSIGNMENTS DOMESTIC INTELLIGENCE NATURE, INCLUDING LOCAL

 CPUSA GROUP.
- B. "COMINFIL OF SCLC; IS C." SA RAYMOND L. O'KELLY,
 ASSIGNED 1965 TO MAY 2, 1968; NUMBER 3 SQUAD; PRIOR ASSIGNMENTS,
 SEE PRECEEDING PARAGRAPH.

SA JOHN C. MENTON, ASSIGNED MAY 2, 1968 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 1968; NUMBER 5 SQUAD; IMMEDIATELY PRIOR ASSIGNMENTS INVOLVED BLACK AND WHITE EXTREMIST MATTERS AND CIVIL RIGHTS INVESTIGATIONS.

C. "COINTELPRO; BLACK EXTREMISTS; RACIAL MATTERS." FILE OPENED MARCH 7, 1968, ASSIGNED SA JOHN C. MENTON, STILL PENDING TO MENTON DECEMBER 31, 1968; NUMBER 5 SQUAD; IMMEDIATELY PRIOR ASSIGNMENT SET OUT IN PRECEEDING PARAGRAPH.

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LOUIS STOKES, OHIO, CHAIRN RICHARDSON PREYER, N.C. WALTER E. FAUNTROY, D.C. YVONNE BRATHWAITE BURKE, CALIF.

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The Honorable Griffin B. Bell Attorney General of the United States Department of Justice Washington, D.C.

Attention: Mr. Robert L. Keuch

Deputy Assistant Attorney General

Criminal Division

Room 2113

Dear Mr. Attorney General:

By letter dated December 30, 1977, this Committee requested material pertaining to Richard Geppert in connection with the investigation into the death of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. In view of the fact that the Committee has since delivered to the FBI the written consent of Mr. Geppert to view all materials relating to his informant relationship with the FBI, it is intended that our December 30th request for materials and documents concerning Mr. Geppert include those found in any field office files.

Your prompt attention to this matter will be greatly IREC-50 62-117290 appreciated.

EX-130 Sincerely,

G. Robert Blacker

G. Robert Blakey Chief Counsel and Director

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Assistant Attorney General Criminal Division Attention: Mr. Robert L. Keuch

Director, FBI

O HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS U. S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES (HSCA) December 1, 1977

1 - Mr. Monahan

1 - Mr. Peelman

1 - Mr. Foster

1 - Mr. Aldhizer

1 - Legal Counsel

Reference is made to letter to the Attorney General from G. Robert Blakey, Chief Counsel and Director, HSCA, dated November 3, 1977, which, in connection with the HSCA's investigation into the death of Martin Luther King, Jr., requested certain information from FBI Headquarters files regarding the National States Rights Party (Item #2) and Jesse B. Stoner (Item #3). By letter from Mr. Blakey to the Attorney General dated November 8, 1977, modification of these items was made, details of which are outlined in the enclosed memorandum.

Enclosed are two copies of a memorandum in response to the above mentioned requests. It is requested that you furnish a copy of the enclosed memorandum to the HSCA.

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NOTE: Since there were no National States Rights Party (NSRP) subfiles for offices requested by the HSCA, the entire NSRP file for 1967 through 1968 was processed for access. All information retrievable in FBI Headquarters files regarding Stoner was processed.

Names of knowledgeable case agents provided in attached memorandum were obtained through review of FBIHQ files and confirmed by Supervisor Jack Byrd of the Savannah Office. The HSCA can advise which agent(s) it desires to interview regarding the NSRP and Stoner.

Mr. Monahan - Mr. Peelman

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> House select committee on assassinations U. S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES (HSCA)

Reference is made to letter to the Attorney General from G. Robert Blakey, Chief Counsel and Director, HSCA, dated November 3, 1977, which requested certain information from FBI Headquarters files in connection with the HSCA's investigation into the death of Martin Luther King, Jr. Under Item #2 of this letter information concerning the National States Rights Party (NSRP), Marietta, Georgia, for the period 1967 through 1968, limited to areas covered by offices in Savannah, Georgia, Atlanta, Georgia, Memphis, Tennessee; Birmingham, Alabama; St. Louis, Missouri, and Springfield, Illinois, was requested. Under Item #3 information was requested concerning Jesse B. Stoner.

By letter from Mr. Blakey to the Attorney General dated November 8, 1977, the above requests were modified. Under Item (c) this letter requested the FBI's complete file on Stoner and that the agent(s) in the Office of Origin assigned to the Stoner investigation for the period 1966 through 1968 be made available for interview by the HSCA. Concerning the NSRP, under Item (d) this letter asked the FBI to provide information in its files to cover the period 1967 through 1968. In addition, the case agent(s) in the Office of Origin for the same period would be made available for interview.

In response to the above requests, information in FBI Headquarters files concerning the NSRP (period 1967 through 1968) and Jesse B. Stoner have been processed and are available for review at FBI Headquarters by the HSCA. information is not provided, it is either not retrievable from Assoc Din_FBI Headquarters files or is not being produced pursuant to

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The Savannah Office of the FBI was Office of Origin in both the USEP and Stoner investigation during the period of USCA interest. The following agents of that office were case agents in the Stoner investigation: Carlton Dillard, January, 1966 - April 1967; William P. Friday, April, 1967 - Cotober, 1967; John H. Hurphy, October 1967 - September, 1969. With variation of only a few days, these same Agents were case agents in the investigation of the NSEP. Dillard is now retired. Friday and Eurphy are currently assigned to the Savannah Office and are scheduled to retire December 31, 1977.

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The Honorable Griffin R. Bell Attorney General of the United States Department of Justice Washington, D.C. 20530

Attention: Mr. Robert L. Keuch
Deputy Assistant Attorney
Criminal Division
Room 2113

Dear Mr. Attorney General:

of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., we hereby request that all reports, materials and files in the possession of the F.B.I. pertaining to the following individuals and organizations be made available to the Committee and its staff:

- 1. Lawrence J. Callanan (deceased) Steamfitters Union (AFL) Local 562, St. Louis, Mo. for the Period 1967 through 1971.
- National States Rights Party, 591 Cherokee,
 Marietta, Georgia, for the period 1967 through
 1968, but limited to reports and information in
 areas covered by offices in Savannah, Ga.; Atlanta,
 Ga.; Memphis, Tn.; Birmingham, Al.; St. Louis, Mo.;
 and Springfield, Ill.
- 3. Jesse B. Stoner, 591 Cherokee, N.W., Marietta, Ga.

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6. KKK (limited to reports or information in areas covered by offices in Birmingham, Alabama, Los Angeles, California, Atlanta, Georgia and Louisville, Kentucky

NW 55051. Docld: 32989 flyringe the period 1967 through 1968).

- 7. Morris Davis, RFD, Hoover, Shelby County, Ala.
- 8. White Citizens Council (racist organization) for the period 1967 through 1968, limited to reports or information in areas covered by offices in New Orleans, La.; Birmingham, Ala.; and Memphis, Tenn.
- 9. Forever White, (racist organization) for the period 1967 through 1968, limited to reports or information in areas—covered by offices in New Orleans, La; Baton Rouge, La.; Birmingham, Ala.; and Memphis, Tenn.
- 10. Charles Joseph Stein, dob 5/11/29.
- 11. Percy Belcher, ex-deputy Sheriff, Birmingham, Alabama, for the period 1967 through 1968.
- 12. Robert Powers, Powers Junction, Intersection Highways 11 and 90, Orleans Parrish, Louisiana, for the period 1967 through 1968.
- 13. Sam DiPiazza, Pamela Place, Chalmette, Louisiana, for the period 1967 through 1968.
- 14. Dr. Lucas DiLeo (office) 8603 St. Bernard Highway,
 Chalmette, Louisiana, for the period 1967 through 1968.
- 15. Salvadore L. Licciardi (Liccardi), New Orleans, Louisiana for the period 1967 through 1968.
- 16. Gus Joseph Prosch, dob 11/17/30, 3122 Cailecita, Sacremento, California. (Arrested in Birmingham, Alabama in December, 1971 and convicted of violating Gun Control Act in 1972.)
- 17. Quentin B. Davis, owner of Gun Rack, Birmingham,
 Alabama for the period 1967 through 1968.
- 18. Clifford Andrews (aka, R. L. Warren), Box 75, Toronto 14, Ontario, Canada.
- 19. Walter Jack Youngblood, Monticello Street, Dallas, Texas.
 - 20. Johnny Benelli, #303, 175 North Orange Drive, Los Angeles, California, for the period 1967 through 1968.
- 21. Claud: Cockrell, dob 5/10/36, FBI # 389804E, for the period 1967 through 1968.

- 22. Gene Pearson Crawford, dob 10/2/27 for the period 1967 through 1968.
- 23. Fleet Edwards, dob 2/4/21 for the period 1967 through 1968.
- 24. Raoul Esquivel (Raul Victor Esquibel), dob
 11/17/26, 4524 Parsimmon, Metairie, La. (This
 request includes, but is not limited to, Bureau
 File 44-26940.)
- 25. Southern Christian Leadership Conference
 - a. General file, for the period 1962 through 1968.
 - .b. Cointelpro file, for the period 1962 through 1968.
- 26. James Bevel, for the period 1965 through 1968.
- 27. Rev. Jessie Jackson, Chicago, Ill., for the period . 1965 through 1968.
- 28. Vincent DePaul Stelly, 4434 5th Ave., Los Angeles, California for the period 1967 through 1968.
- 29. Jerome Wallis Vernon, Home Service Laundry and Dry Cleaning, 5280 Hollywood Blvd., Los Angeles, California for the period 1967 through 1968.
- 30. Rev. James Orange, South Carolina for the period 1965 through 1968.
- 32. Allan Lee Stoddard, "Vegas Club", -5510-Hollywood-Blvd., Los Angeles, California, for the period 1967 through 1968.
- 33. Robert Byron Watson, SS# 253-86-2220, Atlanta, Ga..
- 34. Martin Luther King, Jr. for the period 1962 through 1968. (This request pertains to material exclusive of the Murkin File and the SCLC files and should include all information regarding threats to Dr. King.

35. Herman A. Thompson, 10454 Goodwood Blvd., Baton Rouge, La., (former deputy sheriff in Baton Rouge).

Your prompt attention to these matters will be greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours,

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G. Robert Blakey Chief Counsel and Director

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cc: Mr. Danny O. Coulson

Attention: Mr. Robert L. Keuch
Deputy Assistant Attorney General
Criminal Division, Room 2113

Dear Mr. Attorney General: J.

In connection with the investigation of the Select Committee on Assassinations into the death of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., a conference was held on November 7, 1977 between employees of the FBI and members of the Committee staff to discuss the Committee's November 3, 1977 letter of request for FBI materials on thirty-five individuals or organizations. As a result of this meeting, the following was resolved:

- (a) The FBI would process the following numbered requests as they were originally stated in the November 3rd... letter: 1, 4, 5, 7, 9-11, 13-24, 26, 28-33 and 35.
- (b) The Committee would provide dates of births on the individuals in reguests nos. 12 and 27 before the FBI would process these names. The dob on Robert J. Fowers (request no. 12) is 6/5/24. The dob on Reverend Jesse Jackson (request no. 27) is 10/8/41.
- (d) Besides prodiding the complete file on request no. 3 (Josse B. Stoner), the FBI would also make available the nost appropriate case agent(s) in the office of origin assigned to Stoner for the period 1965 through 1968.
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- (f) With respect to request ne. 8, the FBI would first advise the Committee as to the identity of other cities reporting on the White Citisens Council before a determination be made as to the final content of this request.
- (g) With respect to request no. 25, the Committee will hold in abeyance such a request until the FBI makes available the most appropriate case agent(s) for the period in question.
- (h) With respect to request no. 34, the Committee requests that only the thirteen "death threat" files on Dr. . . King be processed at this time, while a request for all other materials is held in abeyance until the FBI makes available the most appropriate case agent(s).

In Addition, the Committee would also request that the following agents be notified and made available by the FBI:

- (1) Special Agent William F. Kusch New Orleans. Special Agent Thomas E. Duhadway New Orleans
 - (2) Special Agent Jack B. Simpson Memphis ATLANTA Special Agent Richard H. Davis - Memphis ATLANTA Special Agent Jack T. Beverstein - Memphis ATLANTA

As a priority item, it is also requested that the FDT provide the Committee with the work or personnel records of the following three Louisville FDT agents for the month of September 1965:

- (1) Robert Peters
- (2) William Duncan
- (3) Bernard Brown,

We are uniscribe interested in those records reflecting finite the records records reflecting finite records records records as provided by november 15, 1977. The Committee would also ask that all three of the above-mentioned Louisville agents be made available for interview by the same date.

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Your prompt attention to those matters will be greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours,

G. Robert Blakey Chief Counsel and Director

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MANY THANKS FOR YOUR LETTER OF DECEMBER 9, 1977 ENCLOSING A TELEGRAM FROM AMBASSADOR BREWSTER.

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The Honorable Griffin B. Bell Attorney General of the United States Department of Justice Washington, D. C. 20530

Attention: Mr. Robert L. Keuch

Deputy Assistant Attorney General Criminal Division, Room 2113

Dear Mr. Attorney General:

In connection with the investigation of the House Select Committee on Assassinations into the death of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., it would be appreciated if you could make available to the Committee staff, access to the following:

- 1. All files, materials, and information relating to William Hugh Morris, the alleged leader of the Federated KKK in Alabama.
 - a) Address (late 1950's)
 2128 East Fifth Street
 Oak Park
 Montgomery, Alabama
 - b) Jefferson County Alabama
 Sheriff's Office Number 52817

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Your prompt attention to this request will be greatly appreciated.

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The Honorable Griffin B. Bell Attorney General of the United States Department of Justice Washington, D. C. 20530

Attention: Mr. Robert L. Keuch

Deputy Assistant Attorney General

Criminal Division, Room 2113

Dear Mr. Attorney General:

In connection with the investigation by this Committee into the death of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., it is requested that the F.B.I. make available for interview, on a priority basis, the following agents:

- 1. Theodore A'Hearn Los Angeles \ 10/7 LET cleared
- 2. Leroy W. Sheets Los Angeles
- 3. Thomas J. Wilson Atlanta
- 4. Gerald Galbreath El Paso

The Committee is ready to interview these agents on an immediate basis.

Your prompt attention to this matter will be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

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G. Robert Blakey Chief Counsel and Director

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The Honorable Griffin B. Bell Attorney General of the United States Department of Justice Washington, D. C. 20530

Mr. Robert L. Keuch Attention:

Deputy Assistant Attorney General Criminal Division, Room 2113

Dear Mr. Attorney General:

In connection with the investigation by this Committee into the death of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., it is requested that the F.B.I. make available to the Committee access to all F.B.I. materials, files, memoranda, airtels, and miscellaneous items, including but not limited to any contained in the MURKIN File (44-38861), on or referring to the following individual:

> Gerold Frank - author d.o.b. 8/2/1907 current address: 930 5th Avenue New York, New York 10021

It is requested that access to these materials be provided on a priority basis so that our initial review can be completed by January 16, 1978.

Your prompt attention to this matter will be greatly appreciated.

Respectfully,

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The Honorable Griffin B. Bell

Attorney General of the United States Department of Justice Washington, D.C.

Attention: Mr. Robert L. Keuch

Deputy Assistant Attorney General Criminal Division, Room 2113

Dear Mr. Attorney General:

In connection with the investigation by this Committee into the death of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., it has been determined from a review of the Chicago field office file (No. 44-1114) of the MURKIN investigation that the FBI is in possession of several letters of correspondence from Jerry Ray to Marjorie Fetters. (See, for example, serials 271, 335, 496, 560, 574, 621, and 637 in the Chicago field office file.) It is requested that the FBI furnish this Committee with copies of all correspondence from Jerry Ray to Marjorie Fetters.

Your prompt attention to this matter will be greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours,

G. Robert Blakey

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Chief Counsel and Director

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Director, FBI

October 3, 1977

1 - Mr. Monahan

1 - Mr. Peelman

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House select committee on assassinations U. S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES (HSCA)

Reference is made to the letter from U. S. Congressman Louis Stokes, Chairman, HSCA, to the Attorney General, dated August 9, 1977, requesting availability of all FBI reports relative to robbery of the Bank of Alton, Alton, Illinois, July 13, 1967. Reference is also made to the letter from G. Robert Blakey, Chief Counsel, HSCA, to Mr. Robert Keuch, Deputy Assistant Attorney General, dated September 13, 1977, requesting a copy of all FBI reports in this bank robbery investigation.

Enclosed are two copies of a memorandum which responds to the above HSCA request. It is requested that you furnish a copy of the enclosed memorandum to the HSCA.

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NOTE: The Alton bank robbery occurred at the time James Earl Ray was a fugitive, prior to King's assassination. Ray was considered a suspect in this robbery subsequent to being identified as King's killer. No evidence was produced to link Ray with the robbery. The case was closed unsolved in 1972.

In its request of 8/9/77, the HSCA asked for access to our investigation into this bank robbery and the file was prepared. Later, the HSCA submitted a second request which requested "a copy of any and all materials or reports" in the Alton bank robbery. Mr. Keuch advised on 9/19/77, that delivery should be limited only to investigative reports in the case. The requested material was picked up at FBIHQ on 9/19/77 by Oliver Champion, HSCA messenger. Purpose of enclosed memorandum is to confirm delivery of this material.

1 - Mr. Monahan

1 - Mr. Peelman 1 - Mr. Foster

1 - Mr. Aldhizer

October 3, 1977

1 - Legal Counsel

HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS U. S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES (HSCA)

This will respond to letter dated August 9, 1977, to the Attorney General from U. S. Congressman Louis Stokes, Chairman, HSCA, and letter dated September 13, 1977, to Mr. Robert Keuch, Deputy Assistant Attorney General, from G. Robert Blakey, Chief Counsel, HSCA.

This letter is to confirm that, pursuant to the above request dated September 13, 1977, a copy of each investigative report of the FBI in the Alton bank robbery, Alton, Illinois, July 13, 1967, was delivered to a representative of the HSCA on September 19, 1977.

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See Direcotr, FBI, letter to Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, Attention: Mr. Robert L. Keuch, dated 10/3/77, captioned, "House Select Committee on Assassinations, U. S. House of Representatives (HSCA)."

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Select Committee on Assassinations

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August 9, 1977

The Honorable Griffin B. Bell Attorney General of the United States Department of Justice Washington, D.C. 20430

Dear Mr. Attorney General:

Pursuant to our investigation into the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., we request that you make available to us all investigative reports relative to the robbery of the Bank of Alton, Illinois, on July 13, 1967.

Best wishes and kind regards, I am

Sincerely,

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Select Committee on Assassinations

U.S. House of Representatives 3331 House Office Building. Annex 2

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20515

September 13, 1977

Mr. Robert Keuch
Deputy Assistant Attorney General
Criminal Division
Department of Justice
Washington, D.C. 20530

Dear Mr. Keuch:

Pursuant to the investigation into the death of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. by the House Select Committee on Assassinations and our conversation with your office on Monday, September 12, 1977, we are hereby requesting a copy of any and all materials or reports the Federal Bureau of Investigation has regarding the Alton Bank Robbery in Alton, Illinois on July 13, 1967; as well as a copy of any other materials the Department of Justice may have in its possession relevant to this matter.

T appreciate your cooperation and assistance in this request, and I look forward hearing from you.

Sincerely,

G. Robert Blakey

Chief Counsel and Director

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Assistant Attorney General Criminal Division Attention: Mr. Robert L. Keuch

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HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS U. S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES (HSCA)

con Reference is made to letter to the Attorney General from G. Robert Blakey, Chief Counsel and Director, HSCA, dated October 18, 1977, requesting access to material in the files of the FBI pertinent to seven listed individuals.

Enclosed are two copies of a memorandum which responds to the above request and advises that material on six of these individuals is available for HSCA access at FBI Headquarters. Information on the seventh individual, Randolph Erwin Rosenson, was previously furnished the HSCA by FBI memorandum dated October 13, 1977.

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Assistant Attorney General Criminal Division Attention: Mr. Robert L. Keuch

NOTE: By request dated 9/20/77, the HSCA asked for information concerning Rosenson. By letter to the Attorney General and its enclosures, both dated 10/13/77, information concerning Rosenson was delivered. The HSCA request dated 10/18/77, (attached) desired information on seven individuals, including a repeat on Rosenson's name.

1 - Mr. Monahan 1 - Mr. Peelman 1 - Mr. Foster 1 - Mr. Aldhizer 1 - Legal Counsel November 10, 1977

HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS U. S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES (HSCA)

Reference is made to letter to the Attorney General from G. Robert Blakey, Chief Counsel and Director, HSCA, dated October 18, 1977, requesting access to material in the files of the FBI pertaining to:

> Harvey Gene Love George G. Pittman Stephanie Helene Sheehan Jonathon Henry Shea Keith Albert Wright Frank Quencui Randolph Erwin Rosenson

Retrievable information in FBI Headquarters files concerning the above individuals, with the exception of Rosenson, has been prepared for the Committee's access subject to the usual excisions or deletions. Where information is not provided, it is either not retrievable from Headquarters files or is not being produced pursuant to the Memorandum of Understanding.

By FBI memorandum dated October 13, 1977, documents containing information concerning Rosenson were provided the HSCA. - "ACTOM CONTAINED

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October 18, 1977

The Honorable Griffin B. Bell Attorney General.
U. S. Department of Justice Washington, D. C. 20530

Attn: Mr. Robert L. Keuch

Dear Mr. Attorney General:

In connection with the Select Committee's investigation into the circumstances surrounding the death of Martin Luther King, it would be appreciated if you could make available to the Committee staff materials in the files of the Federal Bureau of Investigation relating to the following individuals for the period of time from January 1, 1967 to December 31, 1968: 6/1/69

4/169 Prof. 25 167 NAME Date of Birth FBI Number Love, Harvey Gene 592-813A 4/1/35 919-933C Pittman, George G. 6/20/38 Sheehan, Stephanie Helene 7/26/53 951-133N4 688-958J2 Shea, Jonathon Henry 6/12/47 122-750H 7/27/44 Wright, Keith Albert . 12/9/08 160-8374 Quenqui, Frank 34-711E Rosenson, Randolph Erwin 3/20/34

In addition, it would be appreciated if you could make available to the staff the criminal records for these individuals. This written request confirms an oral request made by myself to Mr. Dan Coulson on October 18, 1977 in the offices of the Committee.

Thank you.

Respectfully,

G. Robert Blakey

Chief Counsel and Director

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FEDERAL GOVERNMENT Assistant Attorney General Criminal Division November 11, 1977 Attention: Er. Robert L. Keuch 1 - Mr. Monahan 1 - Mr. Peelman Director, FBI 1 - Mr. Foster 1 - Mr. Aldhizer 1 - Legal Counsel HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS U. S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES (HSCA) Reference is made to letter to the Attorney General from G. Robert Blakey, Chief Counsel and Director, HSCA, dated November 7, 1977, requesting confirmation as to the existence or nonexistence of electronic surveillance regarding certain individuals and a business in connection with the FBI's investigation into the assassination of Martin Luther King, Jr. Enclosed are two copies of a memorandum which responds to the above request. Enclosures - 2 1 - Office of Legislative Affairs (Enclosure) JTA:sas SEE NOTE PAGE 2 APPRGVED: Legal Cour. Adm. Serv. Grim. Inv. flan. & insp. Fin. & Persi Rec: Mgnt. Director. Assec. Bir. tdent_ Spool Inv. Ben, AB Adm. Intail. Tech. Serva Dep. AD Inv._ Laboratory_ Training. Public Affs." Assoc. Dir. _ Dep. AD Adm. __ Dep. AD Inv. ___ ENCLOSURE Asst. Dir.: 10 1978 Adm. Serv. Crim. Inv. Fin. & Pers. Laboratory : Légal Coun. Plan. & Insp. _ Reca Mgnt. Training ___

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Assistant Attorney General Criminal Division Attention: Mr. Robert L. Keuch

NOTE: By memorandum dated 5/13/68, the Department was asked for authority to place technical surveillance on the telephones of James Earl Ray's brother—in—law and sister, Albert and Carol Pepper and the Grapevine Tavern, all located in St. Louis, Missouri. This memorandum also requested microphone surveillance be installed at the residence of Albert and Carol Pepper, the residence of Ray's brother, John Larry Ray, and at the Grapevine Tavern. FBIHQ files contain no information to indicate the Department of Justice took any action on this request. Following Ray's apprehension the Department, in memorandum dated 6/11/68, was advised that the FBI's request for electornic surveillance was withdrawn. The above information is contained in the King Assassination June file and has been processed for access of the HSCA.

The HSCA's request of 11/7/77, desired only written confirmation as to the existence or nonexistence of electronic surveillance on the above individuals and business during the period 1/1/67 to 12/31/68.





- Mr. Monahan

1 - Mr. Peelman

- Mr. Foster

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House select committee on assassinations U. S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES (HSCA)

Reference is made to letter to the Attorney General from G. Robert Blakey, Chief Counsel and Director, HSCA, dated November 7, 1977, requesting confirmation as to the existence or nonexistence of electronic surveillance against the following individuals and business in connection with the FBI's investigation into the assassination of Martin Luther King, Jr:

- Jerry Ray, brother of James Earl Ray.
- 2. John Ray, brother of James Earl Ray.
- Carol Pepper, sister of James Earl Ray, and her husband Albert Pepper.
- Grapevine Tavern (also known as Jack's Place), 1982 Arsenal, St. Louis, Missouri.

This memorandum is to confirm that, based on a review of appropriate files at FBI Headquarters, the above were not subjects of electronic surveillance by the FBI during the period January 1, 1967, to December 31, 1968, or at any other time.

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The Honorable Griffin R. Bell Attorney General of the United States Department of Justice Washington, D.C. 20530

Attention: Mr. Robert L. Keuch
Deputy Assistant Attorney General
Criminal Division
Room 2113

Dear Mr. Attorney General:

In connection with the investigation by the Select Committee on Assassinations into the death of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., it is requested that the Federal Bureau of Investigation review its files on electronic surveillance to determine whether any of the following individuals and places were the subject of such surveillance during the period of January 1, 1967 to December 31, 1968:

- 1. Jerry Ray, brother of James Earl Ray
- 2. John Ray, brother of James Earl Ray
- 3. Carol Pepper, sister of James Earl Ray, and her husband Albert Pepper
- 4. Grapevine Tavern (also known as Jack's Place), 1982 Arsenal, St. Louis, Missouri

At this time the Committee only desires a written confirmation as to the existence or non-existence of such electronic surveillance with no reference to the results of such surveillance.

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Your prompt attention to this matter will be greatly appreciated.

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Very truly yours,

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G. Robert Blakey
Chief Counsel and Director

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1 - Mr: Long - Enc.

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The Deputy Attorney General

Director, FBI

HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS

In accordance with Attorney General Order 116-56, this memorandum advises that former Special Agent Joe C. Hester was interviewed on November 21, 1977. A memorandum setting forth Mr. Hester's account of this interview is enclosed for your information.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to File No. Memphis, Tennessee December 5, 1977

JAMES EARL RAY; Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. - VICTIM; CIVIL RIGHTS - CONSPIRACY

On November 21, 1977, retired Special Agent Joe C. Hester appeared at Washington, D. C., at the request of the House Committee on Assassinations.

Mr. Hester met with the Committee staff in their offices at Washington, D. C., and was interviewed for a total of four hours by two different groups of five persons each. Both groups were affable and were not in any way critical of the investigation conducted in this case.

The first group of five interviewers asked a variety of questions but seemed to be particularly preoccupied with the investigation conducted by Legats in Mexico.

Mr. Hester was able to answer many of the general questions regarding the activities of Legats but referred them to Assistant Director Richard Long when they began to ask more specific questions regarding the investigations by Legats and the manner of transmittal of this information to FBI Headquarters.

The second group of five interviewers asked more general questions regarding the Bureau's investigation of the King murder. They seemed to be greatly concerned with the allegation of conspiracy. Mr. Hester advised them that he believed the conspiracy theory was an invention by the Department of Justice to be used to justify the FBI's investigation of Dr. King's murder. Mr. Hester advised them that he had never personally believed there was a conspiracy and he did not believe that any of his FBI superiors had ever believed in the conspiracy theory. Mr. Hester further advised that it was his personal opinion that James Earl Ray, acting alone, had murdered Dr. King and that his subsequent travels were probably financed by armed robbery.

This document contains neither recommendations nor conclusions of the FBI. It is the property of the FBI and is loaned to your agency; it and its contents are not to be distributed outside your agency.

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RE: JAMES EARL RAY; Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. - VICTIM

This group was concerned with how the subject Ray had known how to obtain false documents following his arrival in Canada. Mr. Hester pointed out that a "Top Ten" criminal had been arrested in Canada and had been returned to the Missouri State Penitentiary and had served time there with James Earl Ray prior to Ray's escape. Mr. Hester indicated it was his belief that this "Top Ten" fugitive had been responsible for instructing Ray on how to proceed in obtaining false documents in Canada.

This group touched on such diverse elements as the information furnished by John McFerren regarding Frank Liberto, and one of the interviewers agreed that they had not believed McFerren to be a very reliable witness. They also discussed Ray's purchase of the rifle in Birmingham; the fact that Officer Redditt was moved from the firehouse near the Lorraine Motel just prior to the murder; what motive did Ray have for killing Dr. King; whether or not there was any evidence to indicate a conspiracy; whether or not there were any wiretaps and whether or not there had been any surreptitious entries made against King and his followers at Memphis prior to the assassination; and when, following his escape, did Ray appear to have made up his mind to assassinate Dr. King.

In addition, they asked numerous questions about the political climate in Memphis just prior to the assassination and inquired as to what investigation was being conducted by the FBI in regard to the Sanitation Workers Strike and the first march conducted by Dr. King. Mr. Hester was forced to admit that he had had nothing to do with the investigation of Dr. King prior to the murder and he suggested that they talk to current Special Agent Howell S. Lowe who would be in a position to furnish information in this regard.

They inquired about the interview of James Earl
-Ray conducted by former Special Agent in Charge Robert G.
Jensen, former Special Agent Robert F. Boyle, and Mr. Hester
at the state prison in Nashville, Tennessee, following Ray's
plea of guilty. Mr. Hester recounted as best he could recall
the events that transpired in connection with this attempted
interview and advised the interviewers that former Special
Agent Robert F. Boyle has suffered a cerebral hemmorrhage
and possibly might not be competent to furnish information
regarding this investigation.

RE: JAMES EARL RAY; Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. - VICTIM

The Committee indicated that they might desire to interview Mr. Hester again, either personally or telephonically, and they were assured that he would be available and agreeable to assisting them in any way possible.

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Robert L. Keuch

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT Special Counsel to the Attorney General

SUBJECT:

House Select Committee on Assassinations

TO:

Director Federal Bureau of Investigation

I have received a copy of the Select Committee's letter of October 27, 1977, to you commending the work of Mr. Danny Coulson and Mr. Drew Clark. I enthusiastically join the Chairman of the Committee in such commendation but I also feel that any such recognition should specifically include Mr. Jay Aldhizer, who has also been outstanding in his cooperation and willingness to perform the tasks assigned in his dealings with me in exercising my responsibilities towards the Committee on behalf of the Attorney General.

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cc: Mr. Aldhizer





FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

Assistant Attorney General Criminal Division Attention: Mr. Robert L. Keuch

November 14, 1977

1 - Mr. Monahan 1 - Mr. Peelman

Director, FBI

1 - Mr. Foster

HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS U. S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES (HSCA)

1 - Mr. McGirl 1 - Mr. Mintz (Attn:

Mr. Coulson)

Ma can Reference is made to a letter dated October 5, 1977, addressed to Mr. Robert L. Keuch, Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, from G. Robert Blakey, Chief Counsel and Director, HSCA. This letter requests all

information in the possession of the FBI pertaining to Clifton Baird, Brent Hardin and Arlie Blair.

Based on information furnished by the Committee, retrievable information identifiable with Baird, Hardin and Blair has been prepared for Committee access subject to the usual excisions and deletions. This material, as well as limited material pertaining to Hardin, previously prepared for the Committee's access, is available to the Committee in Room 8988 of the J. Edgar Hoover Building.

Where information is not provided, it is either not retrievable from Headquarters files or is not being produced pursuant to the Memorandum of Understanding.

Enclosed are original and two copies of a memorandum which responds to this HSCA request. You are requested to furnish a copy of the enclosed memorandum to the HSCA.

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Assistant Attorney General Criminal Division Attention: Mr. Robert L. Keuch

NOTE: This responds to a request dated 10/5/77, from HSCA for all information contained in Bureau files relative to clifton Baird, Brent Hardin and Arlie Blair. This request has been coordinated with the Legal Counsel Division.

A review of Bureau files has revealed that a limited number of documents relating to an attempted bombing of Brent Hardin's automobile had been prepared for the Committee's access pursuant to receipt of their request dated 4/27/77. The Committee was advised of the availability of these documents on 5/18/77. The remaining retrievable documents in FBI Headquarters files identifiable with Baird, Hardin and Blair have been prepared for the Committee's access and are being maintained in the Congressional Inquiry Unit's Room 8988 for their review.

Documents retrieved from FBI Headquarters files pursuant to the Committee's request dated 10/5/77, include Baird's ident record, the results of a civil rights investigation involving Baird as the subject, and references to Blair appearing in the MURKIN file, numerous references to Hardin and the results of a civil rights investigation involving Blair as the subject.

1 - Mr. Monahan 1 - Mr. Peelman 1 - Mr. Foster

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> HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS U. S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES (HSCA)

RE: OCTOBER 5, 1977, REQUEST OF HSCA FOR INFORMATION IN POSSESSION OF THE FBI RELATIVE TO CLIFTON BAIRD, BRENT HARDIN AND ARLIE BLAIR.

This constitutes a complete response to the October 5, 1977, letter of G. Robert Blakey, Chief Counsel and Director, HSCA.

Chief Counsel Blakey requested all FBI information relative to Clifton Baird, Brent Hardin and Arlie Blair.

Utilizing identifying data for Baird, Hardin and Blair furnished by the HSCA, retrievable information in FBI Headquarters files identifiable with Baird, Hardin and Blair has been prepared for the Committee's access subject to the usual excisions and deletions.

Also available for the Committee's access are documents relating to Brent Hardin which were previously prepared on May 18, 1977, pursuant to the receipt of the Committee's request dated April 27, 1977, for these documents.

Where information is not provided, it is either not retrievable from Headquarters files or is not being produced pursuant to the Memorandum of Understanding.

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October 5, 1977

Mr. Robert Keuch
Deputy Assistant Attorney General
Criminal Division
Department of Justice
Washington, D.C. 20530

Dear Mr. Keuch:

Pursuant to our investigation into the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., we hereby request that all reports, materials and files in the possession of the F.B.I. pertaining to the following individuals be made available to the Committee and its staff:

- 1. Clifton Baird, 7813 Edsel Lane, Louisville, Kentucky.
- Brent Hardin, 9102 Bristle Ave., Louisville, Kentucky.
- 3. Arlie Blair, 4025 Franklin Ave., Louisville, Kentucky, dob 9/3/32.

Your prompt attention to these matters will be greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours,

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G. Robert Blakey Chief Counsel and Director

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The Honorable Griffin B. Bell Attorney General of the United States Department of Justice Washington, D. C.

Attention: Mr. Robert L. Keuch

Deputy Assistant Attorney General Criminal Division, Room 2113

Dear Mr. Attorney General:

In connection with the investigation by the Select Committee on Assassinations into the death of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., it would be appreciated if our staff could have access to the following files:

- a) Any and all materials or files pertaining to the organization known as the MINUTEMEN for the period 1966-1968 active in the states of Mississippi and Louisiana REC-33, 62-11729.
- Any records and files, excluding D.E.A. records requested in our letter of November 8, 1977 on:/

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Your cooperation and prompt attention to this matter is

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