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The following information has been supplied by confidential sources of this Bureau who have furnished reliable information in the past.

Recently Stanley Levison, principal advisor to Martin Luther King, Jr., President, Southern Christian Leadership Conference, was in contact with Andrew Woung, Executive Director, Southern Christian Leadership Conference, concerning King's invitation to attend a conference of Nobel Peace Prize winners in Moscow to discuss the Vietnam war. Young advised the committee that extended King the invitation was not the Nobel Prize Committee but a group of private citizens composed of private Norwegian citizens, Quakers, and a former Chairman of a Nobel Prize Committee.

Young noted that only Father Piri, former Nobel Prize winner, Duncan Wood of Geneva, Switzerland, and two unidentified Norwegian's would be going with King to Moscow.

Levison stated that in view of this information, he felt differently about King going. Both Levison and Young felt it would be better that King go to Moscow on his own at some later time.

Levison advised Young to call Duncan Wood and decline the invitation, if King agreed.

Another source advised in April, 1964, that Stanley Levison was a secret member of the Communist Party, USA, in July, 1963. In late 1963 and early 1964, he criticized the Communist Party for not being sufficiently militant in the

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civil rights struggle. Levison was described by the Communist Party leaders as being to the "left" of the Communist Party in his position on civil rights. His differences with the Communist Party, however, are merely tactical, and he continues his ideological adherence to communism. Stanley Levison is the owner and operator of the Park Management Realty Company, 1841 Broadway, New York, New York.

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Honorable Richard Helms
Director
Central Intelligence Agency
Washington, D. C.

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Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover Director

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