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Dear Mr. Lapham:

Reference is made to my telephone conversation on September 22, 1976, with Mr. John Morrison of your office. As I explained to Mr. Morrison, at the Attorney General's direction a task force was established in May of this year by the Office of Professional Responsibility of the Justice Department to review the activities of the Federal Bureau of Investigation in relation to the late Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr., his assassination, and the Bureau's investigation of that murder.

As a part of our inquiry pursuant to the Attorney General's directive, we are canvassing those investigative agencies of the Government which might logically have been contacted by the FBI to secure or deliver information for intelligence, for investigative assistance (before or after the assassination), or for any form of counter-intelligence action in relation to Dr. King.

It is, accordingly, respectfully requested that a check be made of your records to determine the extent and nature of any contacts with your agency by the FBI in regard to the Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr.

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It will be appreciated if you will advise us of the results of your search at your early convenience. We would be glad to discuss with your office how this information may best be disseminated to the task force.

Sincerely,

Fred G. Folsom

Director

Martin Luther King, Jr., Task Force