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9 MAR 1978



MEMORANDUM FOR: Legislative Counsel
ATTENTION: Mr. Rodger Gabrielson
FROM: Robert W. Gambino
Director of Security
SUBJECT: House Select Committee on Assassinations
Request for Review of Files (U)

1. (U/AIUO) Action Requested: None; for information only.

2. (U/AIUO) Background: Reference is made to the attached House Select Committee on Assassinations (HSCA) requests dated 8 and 14 February 1978 (OLC 78-0674/1 and OLC 78-0588/1). The HSCA has requested access to all files and index references regarding some 47 individuals and organizations. Additionally, the Select Committee has requested access to a number of Agency documents, identified in the 14 February request.

(S) Regarding the 8 February request, the Office of Security has material available for review on the National States Rights Party (#1), Jessie B. Stoner (#2), Edward Fields (#3), the National Democratic Party of West Germany (#8), and the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (#17). Third agency material only was located for Robert DePugh (#4) and the Front Nationale (#7). Overt source material only was found pertaining to Jerry William and John Larry Ray (#15 and #16). Without additional identifying information, a meaningful search cannot be conducted regarding George Wright (#6) or H. Hunt (#22). This Office has no record of #5 (National Front or Liberty Party), #8 (Hitler Welle), #9 (VMO; Flemich VMO), #10-#14, and #19-#21. A search of James Earl Ray's aliases (#18) disclosed references to his subject file which was made previously available for review pursuant to the HSCA's request of 19 January 1978.

(S) Regarding the 14 February request, this Office has material available for review regarding Louis Kutner (#12). No record was located for item numbers 1-11, #12 (Louis Cutner), #13 (Harry Haller; Harry Helfgett), and

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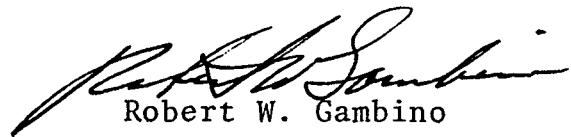
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#14-#25. It should be noted, however, that an absence of sufficient identifying information on the majority of the foregoing makes an identification practically impossible. This is particularly true in the case of #13 (Harvey Hall, aka Harry Sinclair, Jr., and Ed Pawley, Jr.). A number of files were located on different individuals with the same name as Hall, Sinclair, or Pawley.

(U/AIUO) Of the 7 items, on the 14 February request, identifying documents the HSCA is interested in, this Office was advised by the Office of Legislative Counsel that only #2 (letter dated 18 November 1963) involves an Office of Security response. Unfortunately, we have been unable to locate this item because of a lack of identifying information. It is requested that your Office contact the Federal Bureau of Investigation and ascertain the subject of the above letter.


Robert W. Gambino

Attachments

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OLC 78-0674/1
13 February 1978

MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. Scott Breckinridge, IG
Mr. Dick Rininger, OGC
Mr. Don Gregg, SA/DO/O
Mr. Robert Kennedy, OP
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OLC/C&R

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2. (U) Please assemble all material in your office responsive to this request and advise me by telephone as material becomes available to you. I shall then advise the Committee that material is ready for their review at your offices. Notes taken from your material by Committee staff should be classified at the highest level of the material being reviewed and each staffer should sign a log sheet indicating access to the material. Notes and copies of your log sheet will be retained in OLC. No classified notes will leave the Headquarters Building.

3. (U) Committee staff will generate summary reports based upon their file review and notes. You will be asked to sanitize these reports to protect intelligence sources and methods prior to transmittal to the Committee. After sanitization, the reports will be transmitted to the Committee, classified, if necessary, at the highest level of classification appropriate.

4. (U) Advise me if you are unable to respond within a reasonable time or if you have any questions regarding our procedures for dealing with the Committee.

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info and told them it is impossible
for us to respond w/o better i.d. !!*

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SUBJECT: (Optional)

House Select Committee on Assassinations
Request for Review of Files

FROM:

Robert W. Gambino
Director of Security

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9 MAR 1978

TO: (Officer designation, room number, and building)

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1. Legislative Counsel
Att: Mr. Gabrielson
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Hamilton advised of
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said they are not
able to further
identify #6 George
WrightJudy
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14 MAR 1978

Pass info to HSCA
and file this w/
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THE DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE

WASHINGTON, D. C. 20505

Working file

Office of Legislative Counsel

15 FEB 1978

OLC 78-0674/a

Mr. G. Robert Blakey
Chief Counsel and Director
Select Committee on Assassinations
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Mr. Blakey:

I have received your letter of 8 February 1978 requesting access by your authorized representatives to various materials relating to your investigation surrounding the death of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

I have transmitted your request to the appropriate offices within the Agency and have asked that they make every effort to respond as quickly as possible.

I will advise you immediately when any material responsive to the request becomes available to me.

Sincerely,

Signed

Patrick L. Carpentier
Office of Legislative Counsel

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7 February 1978

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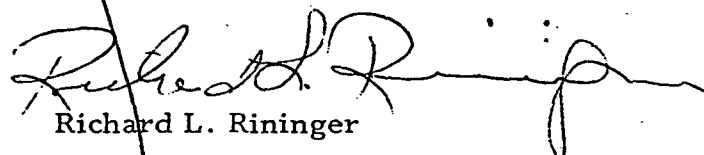
FROM : Richard L. Rininger
Assistant General Counsel

SUBJECT : Response to HSCA Request

1. The records indices of this Office do not indicate the existence of any records which would be responsive to the HSCA request of 23 January 1978, except in the name Yuri Nosenko.

2. It is my understanding that a special approach will be utilized in the case of Nosenko, and that such files are not to be made available until further notice.

3. Please advise me if this latter procedure is changed.


Richard L. Rininger

*Sharon
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Journal

Thursday - 16 Feb 78

(Uncl - JMS) LIAISON Called Gerald Hamilton, Deputy Chief of Research, HSCA, regarding the Committee's letter of 8 February. I informed Mr. Hamilton that the Office of Personnel had files on 11 different individuals with the ~~same~~ name as George Wright and that we would need further identification such as date and place of birth. Mr. Hamilton said that he would try to find more information..

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