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MARTIN LUTHER KING / JR

FOR INFORMATION RECIPIENTS, THE DEPARTMENT'S OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY (OPR) TASK FORCE HAS BEEN REVIEWING OUR SECURITY INVESTIGATION AND OUR INVESTIGATION INVOLVING THE ASSASSINATION OF MARTIN LUTHER KING. JR. OPR PERSONNEL ADVISED THAT THEY INTEND TO INTERVIEW SEVERAL FORMER BUREAU OFFICIALS. THE INTERVIEWS WILL BE CONCERNED WITH ASCERTAINING WHY CERTAIN INSTRUCTIONS AND ACTIONS WERE ISSUED FROM FBIHQ TO THE FIELD AND OTHER ASPECTS OF THE

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THE DEPARTMENT IS GOING TO INTERVIEW THE FOLLOWING FORMER BUREAU OFFICIALS: MR. A. BELMONT, FORMER ASSISTANT TO THE DIRECTOR, 240 CHATHAM WAY, MOUNTAIN VIEW, CALIFORNIA, 94040; MR. F.J. BAUMGARDNER, FORMER SECTION CHIEF, 3915 TAYLOR BOULEVARD, LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY, 40215; MR. W.C. SULLIVAN, FORMER ASSISTANT TO THE DIRECTOR, SUNSET ROAD, SUGAR HILL, NEW HAMPSHIRE, 03585; MR. C. D. DELOACH, FORMER ASSISTANT TO THE DIRECTOR, PERKINSCOAD, GREENWICH, CONNECTICUT, 06830; MR. G.H. SCATTERDAY, FORMER SECTION CHIEF, 5911 OSCEOLA ROAD, WASHINGTON, D.C., 20016; MR. J. W. BROWN, FORMER SECTION CHIEF, 10621 MANTZ ROAD, SILVER SPRING, MARYLAND, 20903; AND MR. C.L. MCGOWAN, FORMER SECTION CHIEF, 3111 63RD PLACE, CHEVERLY, MARYLAND, 20785.

FOR THE INFORMATION OF LOUISVILLE AND SAN FRANCISCO, OPR
PERSONNEL WILL BE ADVISED CONCERNING THE HEALTH OF MR. BELMONT
AND MR. BAUMGARDNER, BOTH OF WHOM ARE KNOWN TO BE IN ILL HEALTH.

IF EITHER OFFICE HAS ANY CURRENT INFORMATION CONCERNING THESE
INDIVIDUALS' STATUS, WHICH WOULD DETERMINE WHETHER OR NOT OPR
PERSONNEL SHOULD NOT INTERVIEW THEM. ADVISED FBIHQ.

RECIPIENTS SHOULD ADVISE THOSE FORMER EMPLOYEES RESIDING WITHIN THEIR DIVISIONS THAT OPR PERSONNEL WILL BE CONTACTING

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THEM CONCERNING AN INTERVIEW AND FURNISH THEM WITH THE FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS: (1) THEY ARE RELEASED FROM THE OBLIGATION IMPOSED BY THEIR EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENTS TO MAINTAIN INFORMATION OBTAINED IN THE COURSE OF THEIR EMPLOYMENT IN CONFIDENCE, TO THE EXTENT THE AGREEMENT IS APPLICABLE IN SUCH A SITUATION. (2) THE BUREAU DESIRES TO EXTEND FULL COOPERATION TO THE DEPARTMENT IN CONNECTION WITH THIS INQUIRY AND, THEREFORE, THEY ARE ENCOURAGED TO COOPERATE WITH THE INQUIRY. HOWEVER, FORMER EMPLOYEES WILL BE ADVISED TO UNDERSTAND, CLEARLY AND UNEQUIVOCABLY, THEY MUST DECIDE FOR THEMSELVES WHETHER OR NOT TO ANSWER SPECIFIC QUESTIONS. (3) WITH REGARD TO REQUESTS FOR COUNSEL, FORMER EMPLOYEES WILL BE ADVISED THAT THE BUREAU HAS NO AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE SUCH COUNSEL. THE FORMER EMPLOYEE MUST DECIDE FOR HIMSELF IF HE FEELS THE NEED FOR PERSONAL COUNSEL IN CONNECTION WITH HIS INTERVIEW. REQUESTS FOR APPOINTMENT OF COUNSEL BY THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE AT DEPARTMENT EXPENSE OR FOR APPOINTMENT OF PRIVATE COUNSEL SHOULD BE MADE IN THE FORM OF LETTERS DIRECTED TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL AND WILL BE FORWARDED TO THE DEPARTMENT BY FBIHQ.

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ASSASSINATION — James Earl Ray, the convicted slayer of Martin Luther King Jr., wants to testify before the House assassinations committee. Ray, who says he was enticed into pleading guilty to the slaying of King in April of 1968, made the offer in a letter to the committee and the New York Times. The Washington Star reported yesterday that James H. Lesar, Ray's attorney, has been objecting to methods the committee staff has employed in attempting to interview Ray in Petros, Tenn., where he is serving a 99-year sentence.

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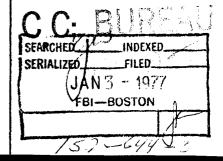
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James Earl Ray 'willing'

WASHINGTON—The embattled House assassinations committee has a letter, purportedly from James Earl Ray, indicating he is willing to discuss testifying on the murder of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Chairman Waher Fauntroy, of the subcommittee investigating the King assassination, confirmed meanwhile that Ray and his brother are among witnesses he wants to call in his investigation of the assassination of the civil rights leader.

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By MARGARST GENTRY

WASHINGTON (AP) — The FBI investigated Dr. Martin Luther King's death thoroughly and honestly and concluded correctly that James Earl Ray was the lone assassin, a Justice Department task force reported Friday.

Though mysteries linger in the case, there is no new evidence warranting further investigation, the task force of five lawyers and two research

analysts said

"The task force has conthe FBI to ascertain and-capture the murderer of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. was thoroughly, honestly and successfully conducted," the report said. "The sum of all of the evidence of Ray's guilt points to him so exclusively that it most effectively makes the point that no one else was involved."

The task force concluded that various conspiracy theories, including those advanced by Ray himself, are without foundation. Ray's stories are

The FBI, despite its longterm and probably illegal campaign to harass King and discredit him as a civil rights leader, generally undertook an aggressive probe of his murder on a motel balcony in Memphis on Aug. 4, 1968, the task force said. It added that the bureau theories but found nothing to

The task force lawyers did

about the FBI probe.

It said the bureau failed to investigate leads suggesting that Ray and members of his family were in touch after his escape in 1967 from the Missouri state prison and said "The bureau should have pursued this line of the investigation more thoroughly."

It also complained that the FBI under director J. Edgar Hoover refused to keep then-Atty. Gen. Ramsey Clark and other officials informed about details of the probe. And it said the department failed to exercise its supervisory authority over the bureau.

Former Atty. Gen. Edward H. Levi launched the department review last April to determine whether the FBI was implicated in the assassination, whether anyone should be prosecuted for the harassment of King, and whether there was evidence requiring a further probe of the assassination.

He called for the review because of disclosures of fresh details about Hoover's animosity toward King and of wiretaps, buggings, and by circulating deregatory in-formation about his personal

"The task force is satisfied identify any possible con-spiracy," the 149-page report said. "In all the years following the assassination, the investigation has failed to reveal any connection between any

find some things to criticize alleged conspirator and James Earl Ray ... The overwhelming evidence indicates that Ray was almost totally alone during the year after his escape from the Missouri state prison."

Yet the most persistent mystery is the source of sub-

stantial amounts of money Ray spent during that year for living expenses and for cars, photo equipment and dance lessons, the report said.

The task force noted that FBI officials believe Ray probably obtained money through

several robberies and burglaries though that was never proved.

"The sources for Ray's funds still remain a mystery today,' the task force said.

The department lawyers said (Continued on Page 8A)

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Ray was driven

BY GEORGE MCMILLAN

James Earl Ray did have fantasies. He had them in Jeff City, and they were not quite the usual criminal daydreams. Ray dream was to start an orphan asylum.

"When I pull a job," Ray used to tell his friend Ray Curtis, "I'm gonna take that money and start an orphans' home. If people didn't want their kids, I'll take them, just go pick them up myself and take them to this orphans' home in the country. I'm going to pick the doctors and nurses myself. I won't let anybody else do that. Den't worry. I'll keep the place going! I'll do a job or two now and then."

search into the life of James Earl Ray and the killing of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., produced a fascinating hook. In the second of five excerpts from "The Making of an Assassin," he explores Ray's sympathy with children and his antipathy toward adults.

This was a curious dream for a man who seemed not to have any close relationships at all, a loner. And yet there was more evidence that the plight of children, neglected children, struck some profound chord in him.

Once Curtis and Ray were watching a

TV. Some bloated-bellied, starving children were shown.

"THAT'S A DISGRACE," Ray said angrily, "with all the money there is in the world."

Oddly, Ray's sympathy did not extend to adults. He seemed to hate them as much as he sympathized with children. When starving Indian adults appeared on the TV tube, Ray said: "I don't give a damn about those niggers." When the news program showed a crippled man fleeing on crutches from a burning Vietnamese building, Ray spat out: "Why, that sorry son of a bitch. All he wants is sympathy." To a radio item about a man who had been burned to death, Ray said: 'He got what he deserved."

There were the fantasies about children, about adults, and then there were fantasies of violence. He would brag about what he would do if he were

surrounded by cops, when and if he did his next job.

"If the cops had me pinned down," Ray said, "I'd pretend to give up. I'd throw my gun down. Then when they stepped up to take me, I'd take them with me. I'd do it with maybe two ounces, maybe four ounces of nitroglycerin."

WHAT DO THESE reveries mean, what do they reveal about Ray and his inner life, his unconscious, and do they tell us about the motives that led to his conscious acts? His concern for children and his hatred of adults, the way either seemed to set off explosions of feeling in him, show that his passions came from his own childhood, more exactly from his infant experiences.

To Ray all children are people who have not received their due, who have been treated unjustly; infancy and child-hood stand to him as periods of unhappiness. His daydream of starting an orphan asylum proves that he felt

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unloved and unwanted in some way that was important to him.

But why did Martin Luther King magnetize and become the focal point of these emotions?

Martin Luther King stirred Ray's felings by being a figure who offered love and warmth to thousands of people. Dr. King reminded Ray in a pointedly bitter way of how he had not been taken care of. In this sense, King became, in the symbolic functions of the mind, the mother Ray had not had; King performed the functions that his mother did not.

highly charged figure was that he made up for the vacancies of Ray's father, too. King was not effeminate. He may have had the loving capacities of a mother, but he had also combined the love and strong, dependable affections of a father. In the symbolic sense, Ray's decision to murder King was a parenticide, a revenge for the withholding, unloving aspects of both his actual parents.

A truck from the Renz honor prison farm backed up to the platform on Sunday morning, April 23, 1967. Because it was Sunday, the truck was driven by a relief man. He did not notice that something was a little unusual that day.

One of the boxes in which the bread was shipped was already sitting on the lip of the piatform. The usual practice was to wheel the boxes out when the truck arrived Each box held 60 loaves; they were 4 feet long, 3 feet wide and 3 feet deep. The truck was covered but open at the back.

THERE WAS A REASON that box was out there ahead of time. The people who had put it there wanted to make sure that it got into the load that day. It contained a special cargo, human cargo, the living body of James Earl Ray. Its presence there meant that someone had helped Ray, taken a risk in helping him, had certainly been well paid.

The truck came on schedule, Ray's box was rolled into it, and when the order for Renz was filled it drove out through the Jeff City walls. Somewhere out there, Ray unloaded himself, his radio (and \$300 in cash) and hit the road, a free man.

The Hotel Atlantic, an old graystone building with 450 rooms, had gone badly to seed. It had once served train passengers who arrived in Chicago at the La Salle Street station.

On the afternoon of April 24, 1967, two men approached the desk of the Atlantic and registered. One was James Early Ray and the other was his brother Jack. Before nightfall, the two were joined by Jerry, another brother. They had business to discuss.

THE THREE OF THEM had not been_together for nearly 20 years. It_

was not that they all had been in jailall. That time, but it was that there never had been a moment in that 20 years when all of them were out at the same time. They were glad to see each other, and they put pleasure before business. As soon as they were all settled in their rooms, they went next door to the bar of the Hotel Victoria to hang a few on, and to catch up.

As they talked in the Victoria, Jimmy grew tense with excitement, it was the first time he had been in a bar in seven years. The very strangeness, the noises, the pace and unregulated movements of the people in the bar, all the life around him, seemed to be anarchic and chaotic after the minutely I regimented life of Jeff City.

Finally, when they rose to go to bed, each of them got a girl.

"The main reason we took separate rooms," says Jerry, as if his reason were self-explanatory, "is that Jimmy had been in a long time."

THE NEXT MORNING the brothers got down to business.

Jack already had helped Jimmy to escape. When Jimmy had kited a letter out to Jack asking him to come visit in Jeff City, Jack had gone; they arranged a rendezvous and Jimmy escaped the next day. They had driven to Chicago together. That was a sacrifice on Jack's part; if he, an ex-convict, had been caught for helping another convict escape, it would have gone hard for Jack. He would have done flat time.

"What he talked about was mainly legal stuff," Jerry says.

In fact, nothing they talked about was legal. It appeared that their definition of legal was any job where you don't have to use a pistol.

Jerry suggested that Jimmy, and perhaps all of them, do a kidnaping. They could make a lot of money quickly; they would not need to shoot anybody; the victim probably would cooperate. It seemed "legal" by their standards.

"AND ONE OF US would have to get out of the country with the money," Jimmy said. He told them that they should all three have passports. The easiest place to get one, he told them, was Canada. He had studied it in Jeff City. He mentioned that he would like to go, if he were going to be the one to leave the country, to Rhodesia.

"It began to look like getting out of the country was the biggest thing on Jimmy's mind," recalls Jerry.

Jerry had some names for them of people he believed could be kidnaped, and for whom there would be a big reward. He cited then-Gov. Otto Kerner and another man whose name was a household word in Chicago: Jack Brickhouse, a sports broadcaster for WGN-TV.

They talked about those names, and the talk was conducted in a fuzz of un-

reality. They never got down to it. In fact, Jimmy seemed to have something else in the back of his mind. Porno seemed the very thing for Jimmy to go into now.

THE PORNO BUSINESS looked good. But long before agreement was reached, it had begun to be apparent that Jimmy had something more on his mind. Suddenly, he said:

"I'm gonna kill that nigger King. That's something that's been on my mind. That's something I've been working on."

Well! Jimmy had not been wasting his time in Jeff City.

Actually, neither Jerry nor Jack was that much surprised. It was just like

Jimmy to get an idea like that, so big so grandiose. As far as the notion itself, they could not agree more, at least as far as hating black people, hating "liberals," Jews, but neither of them would ever have conceived of killing King. For their separate personal reasons, they would not have killed King.

"That's crazy!" Jack said. "You can count me out of that deal. There ain't no money in killin' a nigger. I'm going back to St. Louis."

(NEXT: Ray starts active planning for the assassination.)

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HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS (HSCA)

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THE HSCA WHICH IS INVESTIGATING THE ASSASSINATION OF JOHN F. KENNEDY AND MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., NOTING THAT REFERENCED COMMUNICATIONS ASKED RECIPIENT OFFICES TO MAKE PERIODIC REPORTS TO THE BUREAU, HAS REQUESTED THAT RECIPIENT FIELD OFFICE FILES BE SEARCHED AND ALL REPORTS, LETTERHEAD MEMORANDA, AIRTELS, LETTERS AND TELETYPES CONCERNING

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HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS (HSCA)

RE BUTEL TO ALL FIFLD OFFICES AND LEGAL ATTACHES DATED NOVEMBER 24, 1976.

REFERENCED TELETYPE ADVISED IN PART THAT HSCA WAS CREATED TO INVESTIGATE THE ASSASSINATION OF JOHN F. KENNEDY AND MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., AND THAT RECIPIENTS WERE TO BRING TO THE ATTENTION OF FBI HEADQUARTERS (FBIHQ) ANY ATTEMPTS BY HSCA STAFF MEMBERS TO INTERVIEW FBI PERSONNEL.

THE HSCA HAS INTENSIFIED ITS INVESTIGATION INTO BOTH ASSASSINATION CASES, REVIEWING VOLUMINOUS FBI FILES INVOLVING MANY ASPECTS OF OUR OPERATIONS. HSCA STAFF MEMBERS ARE CONDUCTING INTERVIEW OF CURRENT AND FORMER EMPLOYEES AND HAVE

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RECIPIENTS ARE REMINDED TO PROMPTLY ADVISE FBIHQ CONCERNING ANY ATTEMPTS BY THE COMMITTEE TO OBTAIN INFORMATION THROUGH YOUR PERSONNEL, OR THROUGH YOUR PRESENT OR FORMER INFORMANTS AND CONFIDENTIAL SOURCES. INFORMATION SHOULD BE FORWARDED TO THE ATTENTION OF THE CONGRESSIONAL INQUIRY UNIT, RECORDS MANAGEMENT DIVISION.

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DATE) 6/8/78

SAC RICHARD F. BATES (66-4127)

SUBJECT:

HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS (HSCA)

TO: ALL AGENTS

By teletype dated 6/7/78, the Bureau has advised that the House Select Committee on Assassinations (HSCA) was created to investigate the assassinations of JOHN F. KENNEDY and MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., and that the Committee members may contact Bureau Agents regarding investigations conducted. You have been previously advised that, should such contacts be made, you are to politely advise the Committee member that his inquiry will be brought to the attention of FBIHQ. This requirement still exists.

The HSCA has intensified its investigation into both of the assassination cases by reviewing voluminous FBI files involving many aspects of our operations. Staff members of that Committee are conducting interviews of current and former employees and have traveled throughout the country and abroad conducting interviews of many individuals. Some of the persons interviewed are likely to be present or former informants and confidential sources of the FBI who may eventually be subpoenaed to testify before the HSCA or at public hearings. FBIHQ has advised that current plans of HSCA are to conduct 40 days of public hearings during the fall of 1978 and that a final report of the Committee will be forthcoming in December, 1978.

Please bring to my attention any contact members of the Committee might have with you or with informants, former informants or confidential sources

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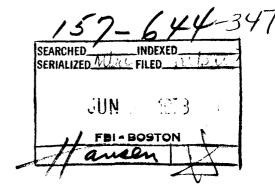
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TO:

DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38961)

(ATTN: CONGRESSIONAL INQUIRY UNIT, ROOM 8988 JEH)

FROM:

SAC, BOSTON (C)

SUBJECT:

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Re Bureau telephone call to Boston 11/16/78.

Enclosed for the Bureau are five copies of an LHM dated and captioned as above.

Lieutenant DALE HARRINGTON, Concord, N.H. Police Department advised 11/16/78 that he has known the source of his information for approximately six years. The individual, who does not wish his identity revealed, has never furnished information to HARRINGTON in the past, but HARRINGTON believes this individual to be emotionally stable and that he would have no reason to furnish false information.

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Boston, Massachusetts

November 21, 1978

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On November 16, 1978, Lieutenant Dale Harrington, Concord, New Hampshire Police Department advised that he had been furnished information on a confidential basis by an acquaintance who requested that his identity be protected, regarding the James Earl Ray matter. According to Lieutenant Harrington, the source stated he has been following the current Congressional Subcommittee Hearing in Washington D.C. regarding Ray and the killing of Dr. Martin Luther King. The source stated that he had read in the papers that a place called The Grey Rocks in Canada had been recently mentioned at the hearing. The source advised Harrington that in 1936 and 1937 he had worked at a Grey Rocks Inn, St. Jovite, Canada, a town approximately 39 miles northwest of Montreal, Province of Quebec, Canada.

The source advised that he was employed by the owners of The Grey Rocks Inn, Harry and Charles Wheeler, to train sled dogs. The source stated that also employed at the in a managerial capacity was an individual name. The source advised that Raoul was a "radical", but he examples of what he meant by radical. The source had no further data regarding Raoul other than that he was still employed at the Inn when the source left in 1937. The source has had no contact with The Grey Rocks Inn since leaving.

R. B. CUTLER, Arch

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March 28, 1979

Mr. R. B. Cutler Cutler Designa Post Office Box 1465 Manchester, Massachusetts

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Dear Mr. Cutler:

In reply to your communication of March 16th, it will not be possible for me to make an appointment with you to discuss the assassinations of former President John F. Kennedy and Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. If you have information which you believe would be of interest to this Bureau, please contact a representative of our office located st the John F. Kennedy Federal Office Building, Boston, Massachusetts 02203, and furnish him this information.

darold H. Bassett

Assistant Director

1 - Boston - Enclosure Attention SAC: Bufiles indicate we have had limited correspondence with Mr. Cutler regarding the assassinations of former President Kennedy and Dr. King.

900 John F. Kennedy Federal Building Government Center Boston, Massachusetts 02203 August 8, 1979

Mr. Robert B. Cutler CUTLER DESIGNS P. O. Box 1465 Menchester, Mass. 01944

Dear Mr. Cutler:

Reference is made to the data you furnished this office on June 5 and August 6, 1979.

For your information, the data involved has been forwarded to our Headquarters in Washington, D. C., for appropriate review. If this review determines that additional information is needed from you, you will be contacted either by our Headquarters or through this office.

Sincerely yours,

JAMES J. DURN, JR. Special Agent in Charge

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TO:

DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM:

SAC, BOSTON

ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY NOVEMBER 22, 1963 DALLAS, TEXAS BUFILE 62-109060 BSFILE 175-112

MURKIN BUFILE 44-38861 BSFILE 157-644

Reference is made to letter dated March 28, 1979, from Assistant Director HAROLD N. BASSETT to Mr. R. B. CUTLER of Mancheter, Massachusetts. A copy of this letter is attached for ready reference. Also attached is a copy of a letter to Mr. CUTLER from SAC BOSTON dated 8/8/79.

In furnishing the information to the Boston Office, Mr. CUTLER expressed an interest in sitting down and discussing in detail the data he furnished and his theories regarding the murders of President KENNEDY and Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

Overall details regarding these two murders are not available to the Boston Division and it is obvious from data furnished by Mr. CUTLER that he has spent a lot of time in connection with the overall information he has submitted to this office.

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It is recommended that the data furnished by Mr. CUTLER be referred to the appropriate substantive desks at the Bureau having the overall picture of these two cases. Thereafter, if the Bureau sees any need for additional information to be obtained from Mr. CUTLER, it is requested that specific information desired be forwarded to this office which will recontact CUTLER for information desired by the Bureau.

Copies of data furnished by Mr. CUTLER have not been retained in files of the Boston Office.

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August 9, 1979

Mr. R. B. Cutler Cutler Designs Post Office Box 1465 Manchester, Massachusetts 01944

Dear Mr. Cutler:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your July 26th letter to Judge Webster containing your views regarding the assassinations of former President John F. Kennedy and Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Your material will be made available to those who will review the committee report.

Sincerely yours,

Assistant Director

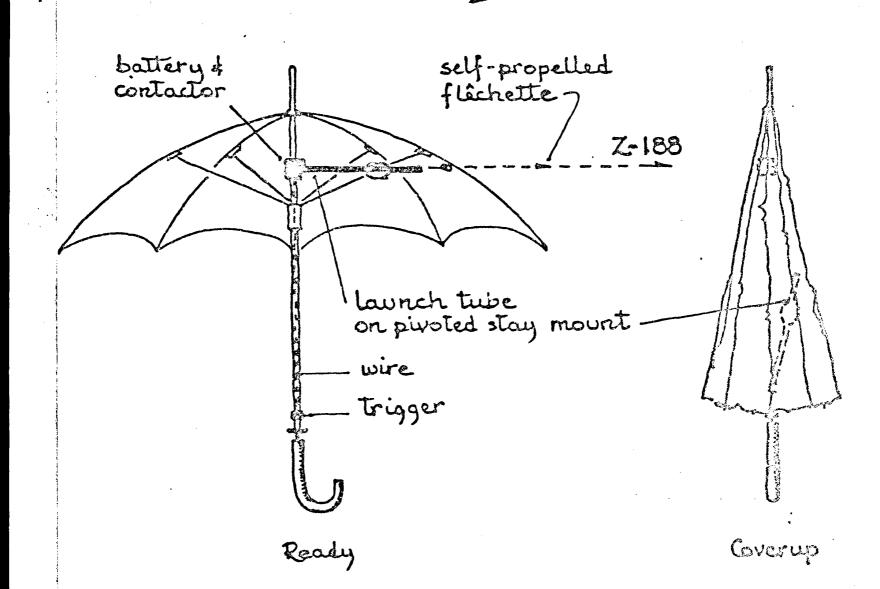
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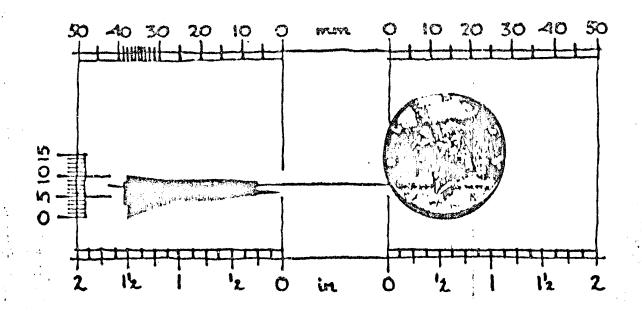
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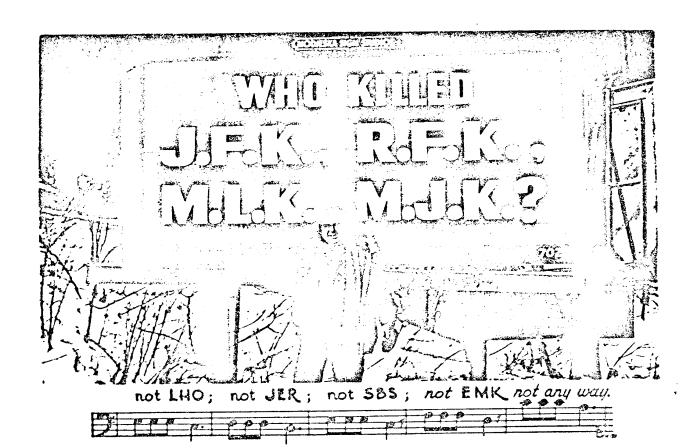
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ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY BS 175-112; BUFILE 62-109060

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BS 157-644; BUFILE 44-38861

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

Re Boston Airtel to Bureau dated 8/8/79.

Enclosed for the information of the Bureau, is additional correspondence from Mr. CUTLER. His "MESSAGE" to me dated 8/14/79 does not warrant a reply and, accordingly, his "MESSAGE" has not been acknowledged by me.

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James J Dunn jr , S A C F B I 900 JFK Building Government Center Boston MA 02203	DATE
DATE VIII/14/79	
Sir:	
thank you for yours of the 8th I would furnished you at your convenience enclosed please find copy of my letter to reply from Ass't Director Beiley, VIII/3/what I was hoping would happen also enclosed is a copy of notations adder mitted with the data on VIII/6/79 I brithat I have just interviewed the man I fe of course told me I'm incorrect but has a first part of September when he will be important of september when he will be in my reason for bringing this to your attent is a very important part of my data to you could be something of value in fact eit please rest assured I'm not trying to be that he's virtually one jump ahead of the to make any waves just get him to the tyou informed I would not be surprised he signed	your Director VII/26/79 and the 79 this seems to me to be just on page 75 of the booklet subing to your attention the fact of is the Umbrella Man and he has creed to take a PSE test in the this part of the country tion is that to me at least this to depending how this test reads ther way it's not insignificant. tute in this matter it's simply sheriff and I really don't want ester as he has stated . I'll keep
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William H Wobstor, Director	DATE
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DATE VII/25/79	
In your upcoming review of the House Selectings there are two points which "confirm" coing Oswald and Ray as the two assassing. 1. the bullet that killed Dr King was fired upward direction this climinates the 2. the missile that caused the wound of entrified from an H-1 Overhead Flechetts Laur standing on the gracey knoll near the Stathing wound was one of exit and the fabric man", designed to dispol this compiracy "Information incorporating (item fill (VI/5/79); information incorporating (item office about (VIII/6/79) Assistance in reviewing these facts is respectence.	remarked but point away from man- from a rifle pointed in a slightly bathroom window as a lair. y in the Fresident's throat was cher (see exclesses A) by a man cher (see exclusive A) by a m
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

August 9, 1979

Mr. R. B. Cutler Cutler Designs Post Office Box 1465 Manchester, Massachusetts 01944

Dear Mr. Cutler:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your July 26th letter to Judge Webster containing your views regarding the assassinations of former President John F. Kennedy and Dr. Martin Luther King, Ir. Your material will be made available to those who will review the committee report.

Sincerely yours,

William L Bailey William L. Bailey

Assistant Director

- hopefully This is submissions V1.5 \$ VIII.6

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54. IDENTIFICATION?

The Mugshot Man's picture, right, was taken during an investigation of his activities in February 1967 the Rickerby is the Committee's idea of an investigation . . .

Note the similarity of the right ears the Mugshot Man and the Umbrella Man are both left-handed the Committee's witness from Dallas is right-handed the Mugshot Man was 25 in Dealey Plaza the Committee's witness from Dallas was 38 that day

I ask you: is my identification correct?... or do you still cling to that thin thread brought in from Dallas to bolster the Single-Bullet Theory which we just murdered for the umteenth time?

You should be able to answer my questions you have had this identification for almost two years

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Anyone who has any inkling as to my ID of TUM, please contact me before going public remember DeMorenschildt, Giancana, Nicoletti, Sullivan, Regis Kennedy, Rosselli, Lovelady one of the last chances to corroborate what we know must not excape because of a breakdown of critics' omerta

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Thru September - it could Turn out

to be helpful to you, too. Re

John F. Kennedy Federal Building Government Center Boston, Massachusetts 02203

September 12, 1979

Mr. Robert B. Cutler CUTLER DESIGNS P.O. Box 1465 Manchester, Massachusetts 01944

Dear Mr. Cutler:

Reference is made to the data you furnished to Special Agent (SA) John J. O'Connor on September 11, 1979.

For your information, the data involved has been forwarded to our headquarters in Washington D.C. for appropriate review. If this review determines that additional information is needed, you will be contacted either by our headquarters or through this office.

Very truly yours,

JAMES J. DUNN, JR. Special Agent in Charge

By: FRANK S. KERR Supervisory Special Agent

1 - addressee

2 - Boston JJO/po's

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10-24-79 SAC, BOSTON

ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY, DALLAS, TEXAS, 11-22-63 Bufile 62-109060, BSfile 175-112

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

ReBSlet 9-12-79.

Mr. R. B. CUTTER, Manchester, Mass., forwarded the enclosed documents to FBI, Boston Division, for transmittal to appropriate substantive desk at FBIHQ. Receipt of his "Messages" of 9/24/79 and 10/12/79 have been acknowledged orally.

If FBIHQ desires any additional information from Mr. CUTMER, it is requested that specific information desired be forwarded to the Boston Office.

Copies of enclosed documents furnished by Mr. CUTTLER have not been retained in the files of the Boston Division.

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