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### Ray Charge Dismissal Is Asked

United Press International MEMPHIS, Tenn., Aug. 16. — Attorneys for James Earl Ray, accused assassin of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., asked today that murder charges against Ray be dropped because "pervasive and widespread" publicity on the case has ruined chances for a fair trial for Ray anywhere in the United States.

Arthur J. Hanes Jr. of Birmingham, Ala., filed motions with the Shelby County clerk of court to have Ray's innocent plea withdrawn and the first degree murder charge dropped.

THE MOTION said the publicity in the case was "calculated to and is having the effect of creating wides pread public excitement and animosity" toward Ray.

It also said radio and televi-

sion network programs, "so canonited and so deproted the victim of the crime (King)" chair "widespread public outrage and hatred have been generated" toward Ray.

Hanes, who with his father, Arthur Hanes Sr., former Mayor of Birmingham, are Ray's defense at worth the case.

ONE ASK ED that criminal court Judge Preston, W. Battle order the prosecuted to produce all its physical a denoc from fingerprint recount to bailistic tests on the rifl was that killed King for inspection by the defense.

The motion also disc. that prosecution witnesses be made available for questioning by defense attorneys.

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KiNG WAS KILLED by a single rifle bullet April 4 as he stood on the balcony of Lorraine Motel. Ray was the object of an intensive manhunt and was arrested at a London Airport in learly June.

The motion to d i s m i s s the murder charge against Ray said that publicity about him and the case has been "so pervasive and widespread within this jurisdiction and throughout the entire United States that most if not all prospective jurors... will have been repeatedly exposed to published matter tending to influence public opinion."

It also said Ray has had no chance to "confront or cross examine" the sources on which the articles and broacasts were based."

AS A RESULT of all this, the motion said, Ray has "been effectively precluded from receiving a fair and impartial trial within any jurisdiction."

The motion included exhibits to back up its charges. Among them were a sepia magazine cover article descriving Ray as "the man who killed Markin Luther King."

Other articles attached to the mution depicted Ray's childhood in an unfavorable manner, according to the motion.

Hearings on all three motions were tentatively scheduled for Sept. 6 before Judge Battle. The judge has handled the case since Ray's arraignment last month.

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## Judge Refuses Ray Indictment Ouster

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Sept. 6.—Criminal Court Judge W. Preston Battle refused today to throw out 4 murder indictment against James Earl Ray, the accused assassin of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

Battle also rejected as premature a motion to dismiss a IN ADDITION to the motion a dangerous weapon.

before hearing arguments on a access to physical evidence, motion which would allow records and witnesses to be used defense Attorney Arthur J. by the state in Ray's trial set Hanes Sr. to interview prosecu- for Nov. 12. tion witnesses and examine Hanes filed a third motion physical evidence collected since asking dismissal of the indict-King was struck down by a sin-ment against his client for cargle rifle bullet here April 4. rying a dangerous weapon, a Hanes was assisted in his argu-rifle. ments by his son, Arthur Hanes

stringent. All persons entering ed adequately for the protection the building were searched and of the evidence. had so register their name and affiliation before they were allowed in the courtroom.

Canale Jr. argued for the state. Ray.

Hanes asked for dismissal of Hanes said publicity in the publicity in the case has been so "calculated to and is having the

the U.S. impossible.

charge accusing Ray of carrying filed Aug. 16 by Hanes asking that Battle quash Ray's murder The judge called a brief recess indictment, Hanes also seeks

Canale recently submitted answers to Battle that he was "aggreeable" to producing a list ALTHOUGH RAY was not in of witnesses and certain physithe courtroom when the hearing cal evidence, provided the court began, security at the jail was set a time and place and provid-

HE INDICATED, however, he would oppose both inotions to District Atty. Gen. Phil M. dismiss indictments against

the murder charge on grounds King assassination April 4 was 'widespread and pervasive" as effect of creating widespread to make a fair trial anywhere in public excitement and animosity" toward Ray.

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# Mystery Man Remains Only Link That Ties Ray With Conspiracy

By POWELL LINDSAY
Scripps-Howard Stoff Writer
WASHINGTON — A
shadowy "mystery man"
known only as "Raoul"
stands today as the only
link on the public record
which ties James Earl
Ray into a "conspiracy"
plot in the assassination
of Dr. Martin Luther
King Jr.

Ray's swift trial, conviction and 99-year sentence yesterday for the King slaying has fanned anew public speculation that he was part of a plot to kill the Negro civil rights leader.

IN TWO articles based on written interviews with Ray, published in Look Magazine last Nov. 12 and 26, author William Bradford Huie follows Ray's alleged trial from they time he escaped the Missouri State Penitentiary to a time shortly before King was snot and killed in Memphis, April 4, 1968.

Ray told of his flight to Canada and of putting out "the world" in a Montreal bar that he was "in trouble in the States" and needed money and identification papers in order to flee to South America

This "word" led to a contact with a man Ray identified as "Raoul," who Ray said was a "blond latin" in his mid-30's, according to Huie.

IN AUGUST, 1967, Huie wrote, "Raoul" came up with this proposition:

After a few smuggling jaunts across the U.S.-Canadian border, Ray would go to Birmingham, "Lie low," and await instructions.

"I suppose I became involved in some sort of plot to kill King when I first took those packages into the U.S. from Canada," Huie quotes Ray as saying.

"Raoul" told Ray that after a few "joint operations" Ray would be given \$12,000 and the nelded identification papers to flee the country.

"RAOUL" was secretive but did tell Ray he'd "spent some time" in New Orleans and gave Ray a New Orleans telephone number in case of emergency, Huie wrote.

As promised, Ray is quoted in the article," "Raoul" appeared in Birmingham, gave Ray \$2000 with which to buy a white 1966 Mustang and \$500 for "living expenses," and again told Ray to await instructions.

The instructions came, directing Ray to Mexico and a few smuggling jaunts across the U.S. Mexico border near Nievo Laredo. "Raul" lave Ray another \$2000 and old him to await further word, Huie wrote.

IN DECEMBER, 1967, Ray

was summoned to New Orleans and told there was "one more job to do" in "two or three months" and that then Ray would "for sure" get "complete travel papers and \$12,000," the magazine article quotes Ray as saying.

In March, 1968, Ray was summoned from California to Semla, Ala., where King was to appear, and on March 23, Ray went to Atlanta, Huie reported.

There, the magazine account ends, Huie claiming he could not "reveal all I know to be true" until after Ray's trial.

THE AUTHOR, who is presently facing contempt charges on grounds he violated Memphis Criminal Court Judge W. Preston Battle's ban on pulcity on the case before that tial, said that as late as March 23 Ray still didn't know of an alleged plot to kill King.

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# Ray's Trial issed Kev

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (UPI)-James Earl Ray, convicted and sentenced in an "instant trial" yesterday, was led in chains into the Tennessee State Prison today to begin serving a 99-year term for murdering Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

#### By RICHARD STARNES

MEMPHIS-It was a case without a conclusion, tried in a courtroom with no windows, dealing with a murder to which there had been no final solution.

With swift precision yesterday the state of Tennessee packed James Earl Ray off to the penitentiary at Nashville to start laying the days end to end that would someday add up to 50 years of a 99-year sentence.

But there were few in judge W. Preston Battle's airless courtroom who felt that the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., had been finally and totally resolved.

JUDGE BATTLE, prosecufor Phil M. Canale, defense attorney Percy Foreman even Ray himself - all tacit-

conceded that Ray may well have been trigger man in al conspiracy to murder Dr. King.

But if conspiracy existed, any breath of its subtle dimensions was somthered in the clockwork choreography of the ritual trial that began and ended yesterday morning in Shelby County criminal court.

Canale told reporters after the trial:

"There was some indication that he (Ray) was a racist and that that was the motive for the killing."

Asked if he thought conspiracy ever would be proven in the case, the prosecutor answered:

"I LEARNED a long time ago not to rule out anything?"

Earlier, Foreman, a b shambling, genial man with an untamed shock of gray hair, the nose of a bon vivant and a persuasive openiess That could sell horse collars at a hot rodders' picnic - old e jury of 12 men that "it took me a month to convince

myself that there was no conspiracy."

Ultimately, Foreman continued, he had reached the some conclusion earlier vaiced by such luminaries as FBI director J. Edgar Hoover and former U.S. Attorney General Ramsey Clark: That there was no evidence that the murder of King was the product of conspiracy.

But when Foreman had finished his remarks to the jury, Ray almost upset the care ully wrought agreement to barterohis guilty plea for a prison term.

"I DON'T WANT to change anything," he said, alluding to his earlier agreement to the plea, "but I just want to say that I don't accept Mr. Clark's theory."

It was Ray obstinantely insisting that he was not alone in the murder of the Negro civil rights leader, and for a moment it looked as if his caveat would overturn the bargain and mean endless, weary weeks of a full-dress murder trial.

But judge Battle patiently led Ray back to the key question he had asked him earlier: "Do you plead guilty to murder in the first degree because you killed Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., under such circumstance that a verdict of murded in the first degree would be justified?"

MEEKLY RAY answered, "yes, sir," and the crisis was averted.

Ray would not be eligible for parole under his sentence for 50 years, by which time he would be 91 years old. The only way he could be released from prison earlier, apparent(Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

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ly, would be to be pardoned by a Tennessee governor.

Canale opened the state's tarkly abbreviated case against Ray by explaining to the jury that, despite the defendant's decision to change his plea to guilty, Tennessee law required a jury trial, and it required the jury's agreement in the penalty that had already been decided by prosecution, defense and the court.

"There have been many numors that Ray was a dupe, a fall guy," Canale said, ginerly testing the quicksand of conspiracy implicit in the case. "But I want to say to you in all frankness that we have no proof other than that Martin Luther King, Jr., was killed by James Earl Ray, and by no one else.

"WE HAVE examined over 5000 pages of testimony," Canale continued, "and we have examined over 300 physical bits of evidence, and I say to you that we have no evidence that any conspiracy ever existed."

If, the soft-spoken Canale added, evidence of conspiracy is "ever presented" that will be "prompt, vigorous action—you have my assurance on that."

BUT, WHILE NO one could quarrel wit the dramatic content of the three-hour trail nor possibly with the classical flourish with which judge Battle had topped it off, when the ugly fastness of Tennessee State penitentiary took James Earl Ray into its embrace the world was no closer to the answer to the central question of the case than it had been when yesterday's hastily-summoned hearing opened:

Who procured the killing of Dr. King? Where did Ray a career born loser, get the several thousand dollars he spent so freely in the period immediately before and after the murder last April 4?

### Tennessee Jail Doors Shut On Ray

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Prison doors closed on James Earl Ray Tuesday but not on he controversy over whether ne killed Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., alone or acted in concert with conspirators.

Ray pleaded guilty in Memphis Monday to a first-degree murder. He was transferred to the state penitentiary here at dawn Tuesday.

The 200-mile drive up Interstate 40 was Ray's first glimpse of daylight since he entered the Shelby County Jail in Memphis last July 19.

Ray's cell in the maximum security block of the prison will be considerably more comfortable and less confining than his supersecurity accommodations in Memphis.

Ray ducked his head and hold shackled hands to his face as he walked from his motorcade into the prison. He was expressionless and did not speak.

A highway patrol official who made the trip said Ray seemed in good humor, but chatted only briefly. One topic was the rolling countryside. he said.

Ray, who turned 41 Monday, will not be eligible for parole under his 99-year sentence for another 30 years, and then it will be at the discretion of the parole board.

The only way he could get out of prison earlier would be for the governor to commute his sentence or grant a pardon.

In his confinement, Raywill have a private cell in the maximum security section. He will be allowed out in the surshine for exercise. From his cell he cannot see other prisoners, but he can hear them and talk to them.

Initially. Ray will be quarangined while he goes through a series of medical, dental and psychological examinations. Because these will be conducted in the maximum security building instead of the usual classification area, they will take longer than usual - up to two months.

Warden Lake Russell said the data gathered will be used "to help us outline a program of treatment for him and to make a job assignment."

Russell said he expected Ray to be assigned eventually to a regulr prison job.

Russell said he did not anticipate any danger to Ray from other prisoners, but added, "We will be watching out for that."

Ray's sudden guilty plea and sentence, with only a brief formality of a trial, only served to stir the dispute over the conspiracy theory in connection with the slaying of Dr. King in Memphis last April 4.

The prosecution, the judge, and Ray's lawyer said there was no evidence of a conspiracy. But Ray, despite his plea, was among those speaking of a conspiracy.

Memphis, which was his by hiots after the assassination, was calm, even relieved, at

the outcome.

But the city's morning newspaper echoed a rising call for more information on the case.

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## Gets Term of 99 Years In Prison

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (AP) - James Earl Ray pleaded guilty on his 41st birthday Monday to a first-degree murder charge and was sentenced to 99 years in state prison in the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. But he said he disagreed "with the theory that there was no conspiracy" in King's death.

The guilty plea means Ray will be eligible for parole on his 74th birthday, His lawyer, Percy Foreman of Houston, Tex., said he agreed to the plea "to save this man's life."

First-degree murder is punishable in Tennessee by sentences ranging from 20 years to death in the electric chair. No one has been executed in the chair since

The whole proceeding took less than 31/2 hours from guilty plea to sentence at 12:12 p.m. The 12-man jury which formally fixed the sentence included two

"Are you pleading guilty because you killed Dr. Martin Luther King in such a manner that you would be found guilty of first-degree murder under the laws of this state?" Criminal Court Judge Preston Battle asked Ray.

"Yes, I'm pleading guilty," Ray replied. One way or another, he repeated this answer four times.

King was shot once with a rifle bullet, fired from a rooming house across the street from the Lorraine Motel last April 4. The civil rights leader had come here to lead a demonstration in behalf of the city's 1,200 garbage collectors, most of them Negroes, who were on strike.

That walkout, over demands for a union contract and a pay increase, was settled soon after King was slain. On June 8, Ray was arrested in London by Scotland Yard detectives - climaxing what has been described as one of the world's biggest manhunts.

Returned to Memphis under tight security after British extradition learings, Ray has been held in a specially

armored, air-conditioned cell at the Shelby County Jail.

His trial, first set for November, was postponed twice and had been schelluled to begin April 7.

King's father, the Rev. Martin Lyther King Sr., had no comment on the guilty plea and 99-year sentence.

King's widow, Coretta, said in Atlanta relief" in Ray's sentence, but added that

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this "cannot be allowed ... to end the search for the many fingers halped pull the trigger."

The guilty plea itself was entered while the jury, selected two weeks go and at work in other Criminal Court cases since then, was not yet in the courtroom.

Ray, attired in a checked blue sport coat and dark pants, was questioned by Judge Battle at length over his decision to plead guilty.

"Has your lawyer explained all your rights to you?" the judge asked. Battle said these rights include trial by jury, with appeals. "Do you understand with appeals.

"Yes, sir," replied Ray.
Foreman, who took over the case on
the eve of Ray's scheduled November trial, told the judge earlier in the court:

"I've never had hopes of anything except...to save this man's life." He took over from Arthur Hanes, former mayor of Birmingham, Ala., after Ray fired Hanes four days before his November trial was to start.

This resulted in a postponement of the scheduled trial until March 3 and thence to April 7 to give Foreman more time to prepare a case.

The first public"hint of the guilty plea came last Friday.

The Huntsville (Ala.) Times published the story, the subject of recurrent but inconfirmed rumors. Soon afterward newsmen accredited to cover the trialthere were about 100 of them, all toldwere summoned to be in court Monday morning.

Again, there was no indication what the hearing would entail until a briefing session for the newsmen began at 8 a.m. An hour and a half later, Ray told the judge in court he wanted to plead guilty.

Then, to make no mistake, came the judge's lengthy questioning of Ray and finally, as Ray sat quietly in the court, the judge asked the jurors if they still were willing to abide by the guilty plea arrangement.

All 12 men raised their hands in assent. At 12:12 p.m., Battle then intoned: "You have pleaded guilty to first-degree murder and it is the judgement of the court that you be confined for 99 years in the state penitentiary."

There still was no immediate indication when Ray would leave his special jail cell and be transferred to the penitentiary in Nashville-or how the transfer would be made.

At Nashville, however, Harry Avery, state corrections commissioner said at midmorning that his office had not been in contact "with the people in Memphis" concerning Ray.

But in view of the special security arrangements in Memphis," he said "We will keep him in maximum security here until his classification is completed -about a month or six weeks.'

Under normal circumstances, he said, prisoners are kept in six-man-e his maximum security period. is, Warden Lake

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### Will Continue U.S. Probe In King Death

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Justice Department said Monday an investigation was continuing into whether a conspiracy was involved in the slaying of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. last April 4

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. last April 4.

The government statement came after James Earl Ray pleaded guilty in Memphis Monday to the charge of murdering King and was sentenced to 99 years in prison.

At the brief trial, both defense and prosecution lawyers said they were satisfied a conspiracy was not involved in the civil rights leader's death.

A Justice Department spokesman, however, said the federal investigation "into the original allegations of the conspiracy is still open."

He referred to the complaint filed by the FBI in Birmingham, Ala., about two

weeks after King was killed.

That complaint alleged that Eric Starvo Galt, later identified as Ray, plotted with "an individual who he alleged to be his brother" to violate King's civil rights.

Part of the conspiracy, the complaint alleged, involved the purchase of a rifle on or about March 30, 1968" that was found near a Memphis rooming house shortly after King was slain.

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## Judge Continues To Believe Case Of Ray Not Yet Fully Disclosed

Hy BERNARD GAVZER
MEMPHIS, Tenn. (AP)—
Judge W. Preston Battle said
Sunday he believes the full
truth still is not known about
James Earl Ray and the
assassination of Dr. Marin
Luher King Jr.

The judge, in whose court Ray pleaded guilty to the slaying of King and where the case would have been heard had it gone to trial, said he, like many other Americans, remains puzzled about several unanswered questions.

But he said he is convinced that a trial would not have produced the answers.

"Like others, I would truly like to know how Ray actually found the spot from which to fire. How did Ray know where Rev. King would be? How did he determine the type of weapon to be used? What are the details of the actual purchase and selection of the weapon? Was he alone its surveillance of the Lorraine

Motel?
"Most puzzling of all, is his escape from Memphis. To me, it seems miraculous that he was able to flee to Atlanta despite the all-points bulletins without his white Mustang being spotted on a highway."

Dr. King was shot to death April 4 as he stood on the balcony of the Lorraine Motel in Memphis. The killer was reported to have fled in a white Mustang.

The judge said there is much speculation about possible answers, but nothing based on fact and evidence.

"I'd like the full proof," he said. "And as I said on March 10 when the agreement was reached to permit Ray to change his plea to guilty, there is no end to our interest or to the law's responsibility and determination. If any evidence would arise that would point to a co-conspirator, that person will be pursued and treated as though he also ad his finger on the trigger.

"There has been much talk of a conspiracy, but no one's saying so has yet produced a single shred of evidence or named an associate or conspirator."

With these questions puzzling him, why did Battle concur in the defense-prosecution agreement to allow Ray to change his plea and take a 99-year sentence? Ray could have been sentenced to death if he had been found guilty.

"I was convinced then and am convinced now that the trial would have muddied our understanding of the substantial evidence which established, Ray as the killer," the judge said.

"It is an error to assume that the prosecution would have had a chance to crossexamine Ray about his finances, or how he escaped from the Missouri State Penitentiary, or about persons who gave him any aid before or after the slaying of Dr. King

King.

"That assumes Ray would have taken the stand. I doubt very seriously that defense counsel would have risked placing Ray in such a position. In fact, as I understand it, this all along has been one of the main problems between Ray and various men who have acted for the defense. They counseled against it, and he kept wanting to take the

"Suppose he had taken the stand, the public should understand that this would not guarantee that this would have cast light upon these puzzling quesions. In an adversary proceeding, each side tries to make the best case, and so some things might be exaggerated, some minimized or obscured."

The judge could have refused to accept the defenseprosecution agreement.

"It was entirely in my power to do so," Battle said. "But my conscience told me that it better served the ends of jusice to accept the agreemnt.

"Had there been a trial, there could always have been the possibility, in such an emotionally charged case, of a hung jury. Or, though it may appear far fetched now, he could have perhaps been acquitted by a jury!"

Battle said he thinks that some of the unanswered questions ultimately will be answered by Ray. He said he thinks that Ray has enjoyed the notoriety and will periodically explain various details of the crime.

The judge was taken aback by some of the public response to the March 10 proceeding at which the plea-and-punishment agreement was made official.

"I must admit I was irritated at it being called a minitrial," he said. "It was not a trial."

The record indicates a rather careful proceeding in which Battle attempted to avoid any happenstance that could be interpreted as judicial error or seized upon as grounds for abrogating the agreement.

He repeatedly examined Ray as to Ray's understanding of the agreement and whether he was doing this of his free choice.

"The law requires only two things in such a proceeding," the judge said. "One is that we present the body of the corpus delicti, and the second is that evidence be presented establishing that the defendant was involved with the crime.

"This was accomplished through the witnesses who appeared and testified to the last living moments of Dr. King and to the nature and cause of death. The evidence relating Ray to the slaying was stipulated and read in open court by the state, and this described the claim of evidence which would have been introduced in a trial."

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# Inside Washington = Probe of FBI on King killing set

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A weekly size-up by the Washington staff of the Scripps-Howard newspapers

WASHINGTON — New probe of alleged FBI failings in the investigation of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s assassination is being set up by Senate's toughest interrogator, Senate Democratic Whip Robert C. Byrd, W.

Va.
Byrd, favorite-son presidential hopeful, has told his special Senate Judiciary Committee staff to begin thorough investigation of FBI handling of still-troubling King case. Full Senate hearings could follow by spring.

King case. Full Senate hearings could be solved. Byrd, only really active member of a Judiciary Committee subpanel charged with FBI oversight, wants to find out if there is any connection between bureau's harrassment of King and the apparently sloppy inharmassment of King and the apparently sloppy inharmassment.

vestigation after his murder.

Headline-making revelations could boost Byrd's bid for place on party's national ticket, offset his long-age membership in Ku Klux Klan and so-so civil rights voting

Byrd's incisive, persistent questioning of former acting FBI Director W. Patrick Gray on FBI's Watergate follow-up helped lead to major Watergate revelations.

undid Gray's confirmation chances.

Aided by top-notch staff, 57-year-old Byrd is a Senate powerhouse, patient but tenacious. "When he goes after something," said a Senate colleague, "watch out."

FORD'S PLAN TO HOLD nine public hearings around the country to whip up support for his idea of putting more consumer representation in government agencies

is a shambles.

Consumer groups, already suspicious that idea is just sugar-coating for expected Ford veto of bill setting up powerful federal consumer protection agency, were furious when they learned federal officials would do all the talking at the hearings. They carped about expense, lack of planning, then found out Virginia Knauer, Ford's consumer adviser, had sent out wrong information about sites, wrong reply cards. "There's been a lot of confusion," Knauer's office admits.

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NOTE: State Department's tirst step to implement its consumer plan was to hire Joan Braden, wife of newspaper columnist and chum of Rockefeller and Secretary of State Henry A. Kissinger, for \$37,800 job as coordinator of consumer affairs.

ALONG AUTO ROW: General Motors ducks queries on whether it will join Ford and Chrysler in latest price hike. Feeling grows that GM, whose sales are strong, will stand pat on prices... Ford's new minicar will be called the Fiesta, a name personally chosen by Chairman Henry Ford. It'll be front-wheel drive, will be made in Ford plants in Germany starting next year... In this summer's contract talks, United Auto Workers may push idea of "time-off credit bank," rewarding members with added time off for perfect work attendance record over set periods.

' U.S. SUBMARINES soon may be equipped to shoot down enemy warplanes while submerged.

Navy and Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (ARPA) scientists secretly are perfecting an encapsulated antiaircraft missile that can be released through a submerged submarine's to pedo tubes, bob to the surface and remain dormant until an enemy warplane comes within range.

The missile's miniature computerized sensors would "hear" an enemy plane approach, wait until it's in range and trigger a heat-seeking antiaircraft missile which would home to the plane's engines.

One Navy source told Scripps-Howard News Service: "This is a very sensitive program. For 10 to 15 years submariners have wanted to develop a way to fight back at antisubmarine aircraft.

"Now the technology is at hand. And it's just in time. Russia is conducting more and more antisubmarine exercises with its naval aircraft and even with its new Backfire bomber."

Intelligence sources said Russia recently asked Iran for nermission to fly two antisubmarine planes across Iran to Somalia. It is believed Russia will base the planes

at a Soviet-built base in Somalia to conduct antisubmarine exercises in the Indian Ocean.

One admiral, a top Navy analyst, said: "You can speculate that development and production of this system will depend on our estimate of the Soviet antisubmarine threat..."

Major decisions on weapons developments are very difficult to conceal, so apparently there has not been approval yet from either top Navy brass or Defense Department officials for full-scale development of the missile.

Details on just ow the system worked are known by few defense experts. But the project is part of ARPA's Self-Initiated Antiaircraft Munition (SIAM) program intended to develop an antiaircraft weapon for all the services.

CHILE HAS SUBMITTED to Bolivia new, stiff terms for giving back Bolivia's long-denied outlet to the Pacific Ocean, raising hopes of bringing an end to 92 years of hostility between the South American countries.

Agreement would be a major victory for Bolivian strongman Gen. Hugo Banzer, who has blamed his country's lack of economic growth on the fact that it has been landlocked since the War of the Pacific (1879-1884).

Involved in the Chilean proposal, according to diplomatic sources, is exchange of a thin corridor of land in northern Chile, along its border with Peru, for between 1,150 and 2,000 square miles of mineral-rich territory in southwestern Bolivia.

Chile also reportedly wants up to \$200 million compensation for its share of a railway that links the port of Arica with La Paz, Bolivia's capital.

In addition, Chile is demanding exclusive use and control of the Lauca River. Dispute over the river prompted the two countries to break diplomatic relations in 1962.

The main hitch in the deal is Peru. An ally of Bolivia against Chile in the War of the Pacific, Peru also lost valuable territory when the Chileans made their victorious land grab northward. While Chile and Peru

settled their border problems in the 1929 Treaty of Ancon, a provision of that treaty stipulated that any cession by Chile of land formerly belonging to Peru would require Peru's consent.

THE GOOD NEWS is that there won't be an actors' strike. The bad news is that the actors involved make television commercials.

Board of American Federation of Television and Radio Artists (AFTRA) has agreed to new TV commercial contract with ad agencies and sponsors. Actors and actresses will get minimum \$200 for hour-and-a-half taping sessions, bigger residual fees for rebroadcast ads. But union failed in effort to limit use of "real people" — actual housewives who some feel make fools of themselves with paper towels and laundry products. AFTRA argued real people take jobs away from real actors.

TERROR-BOMBING of LaGuardia airport, \$400,000 fire at Pentagon bring on tighter security at government buildings. Although experts could find no evidence of arson at Pentagon, security forces reason that one act of terror often leads to a rash of them. Pentagon received a bomb threat a few days before the fire. Guards now search even the briefcases of defense officials as they enter the Pentagon.

MARINE CORPS can't get enough good men, so new Commandant Louis H. Wilson says Corps is looking for a few more women. Wilson says there are about 3,000 female gyrenes now and that there'll be 4,000 by 1980. He wants many more if Congress will provide the money for barracks and training.

NATIONAL TAXPAYERS UNION (NTU) says nation has 104,000 "double dippers" (military retirees in a federal job collecting pay and pension at the same time), 25,000 "double scoopers" (military or civilian federal workers with a spouse or close kin also on government payroll) and an unknown number of "dipper scoopers" (a double dipper who's also a double scooper).

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TO ALL SACS

FROM DIRECTOR (100 106670)

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. BUDED AUGUST 9, 1976

FOR INFORMATION OF RECIPIENTS THE ATTORNEY GENERAL (AG).
HAS ORDERED A REVIEW OF THE FBI'S INVESTIGATION OF MARTIN
LUTHER KING. ASSIGNED TO CONDUCT THIS REVIEW IS A TASK FORCE
WORKING UNDER DIRECTION OF THE OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL
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ATTORNEY GENERAL HAS INDICATED THE REVIEW IS TO RESOLVE THE
FOLLOWING FOUR QUESTIONS: (1) WAS THE FRI INVESTIGATION OF
KING'S ASSASSINATION THOROUGH AND HONEST? (2) IS THERE ANY
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DEPARTMENT CONCERNING THE ASSASSINATION? (4) DOES THE
RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE BUREAU AND KING CALL FOR CRIMINAL
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TO DATE THE TASK FORCE HAS REVIEWED FBIHO AND WFO FILES CONCERNING THE ASSASSINATION OF KING CAPTIONED "MURKIN, BUREAU FILE 44-33861. TASK FORCE MEMBERS HAVE TRAVELED TO MEMPHIS, MILWAUKEE, KANSAS CITY, OMAHA, SAN FRANCISCO AND LOS ANGELES AND REVIEWED MURKIN AND INTELLIGENCE INVESTIGATION FILES OF THOSE OFFICES. FUTURE TRAVEL BY THE TASK FORCE IS PLANNED FOR ATLANTA, BIRMINGHAM, CHARLOTTE, CHICAGO, NEW ORLEANS, NEW YORK, SPRINGFIELD AND ST. LOUIS.

AFTER ABOVE TRAVEL IS COMPLETED AND KING RELATED SECURITY FILES AT FBIHO ARE REVIEWED, THE TASK FORCE WILL HAVE SEEN THE MAJORITY OF SERIALS IN OUR FILES RELATING TO THE KING INVESTIGATIONS. HOWEVER, SINCE IT IS THE GOAL OF THE TASK FORCE TO REVIEW KING RELATED FILES IN EVERY FIELD OFFICE. IT WILL BE

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IF MURKIN FILES CONTAIN ANY PHOTOGRAPHS, EXHIBITS OR OTHER ITEMS WHICH CANNOT BE XEROXED A BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF EACH ITEM AND ITS LOCATION SHOULD BE SET FORTH IN YOUR COMMUNICATIONS TRANSMITTING THE DOCUMENTS TO FBIHQ.

SUBSEQUENT INSTRUCTIONS WILL BE ISSUED CONCERNING SUBMISSION OF COPIES OF OUR INTELLIGENCE INVESTIGATION OF KING AND RELATED SECURITY FILES. OFFICES TO BE VISITED IN THE FUTURE BY TASK FORCE PERSONNEL WILL ALSO BE FURNISHED APPROPRIATE INSTRUCTIONS BY SEPARATE COMMUNICATION.

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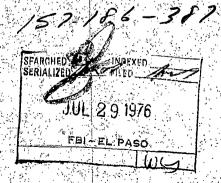
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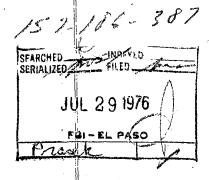
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DEPUTY ASSISTANT DIRECTOR INGRAM ATTN:

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FROM:

SAC, EL PASO (157-186) (RUC)

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

BUDED: 8/9/76

Re Bureau nitels dated 7/29/76 and 7/30/76.

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are xeroxed copies of serials 1 through 385 of El Paso file 157-186 entitled, "MURKIN", together with 1A-1 through 1A-17 of that file. Also enclosed for the Bureau are xeroxed copies of serials 1, 2, 3, 5, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, and 22 of El Paso file 100-5948, entitled, "MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., SECURITY MATTER - C" Bufile 100-106670. The above described enclosures constitute the entire files relating to the investigation of MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., and "MURKIN".

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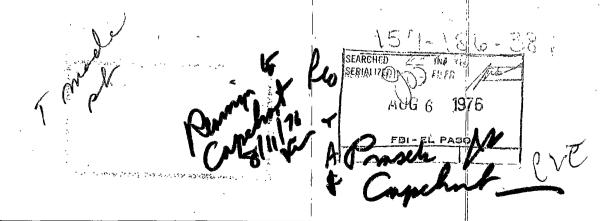
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Re Bureau teletypes, 7/29/76 and 7/30/76; El Paso airtel, 8/2/76; Bureau teletype, 8/6/76.

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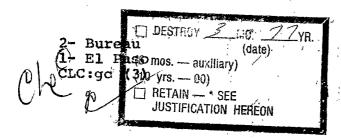
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#### 2. UNUSUAL COSTS

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The above report carries through the period of August 31, 1976, and completes El Paso Division's submission of all requested data relative to this study.



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THE TASK FORCE DESIRES TO REVIEW FIELD OFFICE FILES

AND SUBFILES IN THE FOLLOWING INVESTIGATIONS: (1) MARTIN

LUTHER KING, JR., SM-C. BUFILE 100-106670; (2) COMMUNIST

INFILTRATION OF SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE,

IS-C. BUFILE 100-438794; (3) COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL

MATTERS (CIRM), BUFILE 100-442529; (4) CPUSA - NEGRO

QUESTION, BUFILE 100-3-116; (5) STANLEY DAVID LEVISON, SM-C,

BUFILE 100-392452.

IT IS NOTED THAT EACH FIELD OFFICE PROVIDED A COMPLETE INVENTORY OF THE ABOVE FILES IN RESPONSE TO FBIHO TELETYPE TO ALL OFFICES DATED DECEMBER 9, 1975 CAPTIONED, "MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR".

THE BELOW INSTRUCTIONS DO NOT APPLY TO ATLANTA AND CHICAGO BECAUSE TASK FORCE PERSONNEL HAVE PARTIALLY REVIEWED FILES OF THESE OFFICES AND PLAN TO RETURN THERE IN THE NEAR FUTURE TO COMPLETE REVIEW.

THE BELOW INSTRUCTIONS, DO NOT APPLY TO NEW YORK AND BALTIMORE BECAUSE TASK FORCE PERSONNEL PLAN TRAVEL TO THESE OFFICES IN THE NEAR FUTURE TO REVIEW ALL ABOVE FILES.

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BIRMINGHAM, CHARLOTTE, KANSAS CITY, LOS ANGELES, MEMPHIS,

MILWAUKEE, NEW ORLEANS, OMAHA, ST. LOUIS, SAN FRANCISCO,

SPRINGFIELD AND WASHINGTON FIELD DISREGARD BELOW INSTRUCTIONS SINCE

OPR REVIEW OF YOUR KING RELATED FILES HAS BEEN COMPLETED.

SAN JUAN DISREGARD BELOW INSTRUCTIONS SINCE YOUR FILE INVENTORY RESPONSE SHOWS YOUR OFFICE HAS NO SECURITY FILES RELATING TO KING.

ALL OTHER RECIPIENTS FURNISH FBIHO ONE XEROX COPY OF EACH SERIAL CONTAINED IN THE ABOVE SPECIFIED FILES.

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WITH RESPECT TO FILES CONCERNING CIRM AND CPUSA - NEGRO QUESTION, THE OPE TASK FORCE HAS AGREED TO A CUTOFF YEAR OF 1960. THEREFORE, NO SERIAL IN THESE FILES DATED PRIOR TO JANUARY 1960 NEED BE SUBMITTED. THIS CUTOFF DATE DOES NOT APPLY TO INVESTIGATIVE FILES CONCERNING KING, SCLC AND LEVISON.

IT IS REQUESTED THIS MATERIAL DESIRED BY THE TASK FORCE BE PROCESSED AND MAILED TO REACH FBIHO BY OCTOBER 26, 1976. THE MATERIAL SHOULD BE SENT BY REGISTERED MAIL, ATTENTION DEPUTY ASSISTANT DIRECTOR JAMES O. INGRAM, GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION.

SINCE THE DEPARTMENT TASK FORCE MUST SEE EVERY SERIAL IN OUR INVESTIGATION OF KING AT FBIHO AND IN THE FIELD, IT IS ECONOMICALLY BENEFICIAL TO THE GOVERNMENT TO REPRODUCE AND MAIL THESE DOCUMENTS RATHER THAN HAVING TASK FORCE PERSONNEL TRAVEL TO ALL FIELD OFFICES. ABOVE MENTIONED OFFICES TO BE VISITED IN THE FUTURE BY THE TASK FORCE WILL BE FURNISHED.

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BUDED OCTOBER 26, 1976

REFERENCE BUREAU TELETYPES TO ALL OFFICES DATED JULY 28, 1976 AND JULY 30, 1976 WHICH PROVIDED BACKGROUND MATERIAL REGARDING REVIEW OF OUR KING INVESTIGATIONS CURRENTLY BEING CONDUCTED BY THE OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY (OPR) OF THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. TELETYPES ALSO PROVIDED INSTRUCTIONS FOR CERTAIN FIELD OFICES TO FURNISH TO FBIHQ A COPY OF ALL SERIALS CONTAINED IN THE KING ASSASSINATION FILE CAPTIONED, "MURKIN".

PURPOSE OF THIS TELETYPE IS TO INSTRUCT MAJORITY OF FIELD OFFICES TO REPRODUCE AND SEND TO FBIHQ KING AND RELATED SECURITY FILES FOR REVIEW BY THE OPR TASK FORCE. SERIAL SERIES SERIAL SERIES SERIAL SERIAL SERIES SERIAL SERIES SERIAL SERIES SERIAL SERIES SERIAL SERIES SERIES

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THE TASK FORCE DESIRES TO REVIEW FIELD OFFICE FILES

AND SUBFILES IN THE FOLLOWING INVESTIGATIONS: (1) MARTIN

LUTHER KING, JR., SM-C, BUFILE 100-106670; (2) COMMUNIST

INFILTRATION OF SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE,

IS-C, BUFILE 100-438794; (3) COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL

MATTERS (CIRM), BUFILE 100-442529; (4) CPUSA - NEGRO

QUESTION, BUFILE 100-3-116; (5) STANLEY DAVID LEVISON, SM-C,

BUFILE 100-392452.

IT IS NOTED THAT EACH FIELD OFFICE PROVIDED A COMPLETE INVENTORY OF THE ABOVE FILES IN RESPONSE TO FBIHQ TELETYPE TO ALL OFFICES DATED DECEMBER 9, 1975 CAPTIONED, "MARTIN LUTHER KING. JR".

THE BELOW INSTRUCTIONS DO NOT APPLY TO ATLANTA AND CHICAGO BECAUSE TASK FORCE PERSONNEL HAVE PARTIALLY REVIEWED FILES OF THESE OFFICES AND PLAN TO RETURN THERE IN THE NEAR FUTURE TO COMPLETE REVIEW.

THE BELOW INSTRUCTIONS DO NOT APPLY TO NEW YORK AND BALTIMORE BECAUSE TASK FORCE PERSONNEL PLAN TRAVEL TO THESE OFFICES IN THE NEAR FUTURE TO REVIEW ALL ABOVE FILES.

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BIRMINGHAM, CHARLOTTE, KANSAS CITY, LOS ANGELES, MEMPHIS,
MILWAUKEE, NEW ORLEANS, OMAHA, ST. LOUIS, SAN FRANCISCO,
SPRINGFIELD AND WASHINGTON FIELD DISREGARD BELOW INSTRUCTIONS SINCE
OPR REVIEW OF YOUR KING RELATED FILES HAS BEEN COMPLETED.

SAN JUAN DISREGARD BELOW INSTRUCTIONS SINCE YOUR FILE INVENTORY RESPONSE SHOWS YOUR OFFICE HAS NO SECURITY FILES RELATING TO KING.

ALL OTHER RECIPIENTS FURNISH FBIHQ ONE XEROX COPY OF EACH SERIAL CONTAINED IN THE ABOVE SPECIFIED FILES.

ANY DOCUMENT IN YOUR FILES IF A COPY OF THAT DOCUMENT HAS BEEN SUBMITTED TO FBIHQ. THIS WILL INCLUDE DOCUMENTS ORIGINATING IN YOUR OFFICE AND THOSE RECEIVED FROM OTHER FIELD DIVISIONS.

IT IS NOTED THAT THIS FIRST PAGE SHOULD CONTAIN THE FIELD OFFICE SERIAL IN ORDER THAT THE DEPARTMENT CAN MAKE A COMPLETE CHRONOLOGICAL ACCOUNTING OF EACH FIELD OFFICE SERIAL. ANY DOCUMENTS IN YOUR FILES, COPIES OF WHICH HAVE NOT BEEN SUBMITTED TO FBIHQ, MUST BE REPRODUCED IN THEIR ENTIRETY AND FORWARDED TO FBIHQ.

IF ANY FILE CONTAINS PHOTOGRAPHS, EXHIBITS, OR OTHER

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ITEMS WHICH CANNOT BE XEROXED, A BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF EACH ITEM AND LOCATION SHOULD BE SET FORTH IN COMMUNICATIONS TRANSMITTING DESIRED DOCUMENTS TO FBIHQ.

WITH RESPECT TO FILES CONCERNING CIRM AND CPUSA - NEGRO QUESTION, THE OPR TASK FORCE HAS AGREED TO A CUTOFF YEAR OF 1960. THEREFORE, NO SERIAL IN THESE FILES DATED PRIOR TO JANUARY 1960 NEED BE SUBMITTED. THIS CUTOFF DATE DOES NOT APPLY TO INVESTIGATIVE FILES CONCERNING KING, SCLC AND LEVISON.

IT IS REQUESTED THIS MATERIAL DESIRED BY THE TASK FORCE
BE PROCESSED AND MAILED TO REACH FBIHQ BY OCTOBER 26, 1976.
THE MATERIAL SHOULD BE SENT BY REGISTERED MAIL, ATTENTION
DEPUTY ASSISTANT DIRECTOR JAMES O. INGRAM, GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION.

SINCE THE DEPARTMENT TASK FORCE MUST SEE EVERY SERIAL IN OUR INVESTIGATION OF KING AT FBIHQ AND IN THE FIELD, IT IS ECONOMICALLY BENEFICIAL TO THE GOVERNMENT TO REPRODUCE AND MAIL THESE DOCUMENTS RATHER THAN HAVING TASK FORCE PERSONNEL TRAVEL TO ALL FIELD OFFICES. ABOVE MENTIONED OFFICES TO BE VISITED IN THE FUTURE BY THE TASK FORCE WILL BE FURNISHED TRAVEL INFORMATION AT A LATER DATE.

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TO:

DIRECTOR, FBI (105-106670)

ATTENTION: DEPUTY ASSISTANT DIRECTOR

JAMES O. INGRAM,

GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION

FROM:

SAC, EL PASO (157-186) (REC) (

SUBJECT:

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

DEPARTMENTAL REVIEW

Re Bureau teletype, 10/5/76.

Forwarded to the Bureau by registered mail are xerox copies of the following serials from El Paso Office files as requested in referenced Bureau teletype:

> El Paso file 100-5948 (MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., SM-C) Bureau file 105-106670, serials 1 - 22.

El Paso file 100-5860 (COMMUNIST INFILTRATION IN RACIAL MATTERS) Bureau file 100-442529, serials 1 - 58.

El Paso file 100-6085 (COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF SCLC) Bureau file 100-438794, serials 1 - 4.

The El Paso Office has no seperate files regarding (CPUSA - Negro Question and STANLEY DAVID LEVISON) Bureau file 100-392452.

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AIRTEL

TO:

DIRECTOR, FBI

(ATTN: BUDGET AND ACCOUNTING SECTION,

FINANCE AND PERSONNEL DIVISION)

FROM:

SAC, EL PASO (157-186)(P)

SUBJECT:

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

DEPARTMENTAL REVIEW; COST DATA

Re Bureau teletype, 8/6/76; EP airtel, 9/3/76.

The following data is submitted as requested in Bureau teletype dated 8/6/76, for the period 8/31 through 9/30/76:

1. MANPOWER

None utilized

2. UNUSUAL COSTS

None expended

The above report was inadvertently not submitted in the month of October, 1976.

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FROM:

SAC, EL PASO (157-186)(P)

SUBJECT:

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

DEPARTMENTAL REVIEW; COST DATA

Re Bureau teletype, 8/6/76.

The following data is submitted as requested in Bureau teletype dated 8/6/76, for the period 9/30 through 10/31/76:

> MANPOWER 1.

> > CHARLES L. CAPEHART, GS-13, Step 4, 2 hours, regular time

2. UNUSUAL COSTS

None

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MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
DEPARTMENTAL REVIEW; COST DATA

Re Bureau teletype, 8/6/76, and EP airtel,

11/9/76.

The following data is submitted as requested in Bureau teletype dated 8/6/76, for the period 10/31 through 11/30/76:

1. MANPOWER

None

2. UNUSUAL COSTS

None

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DEPARTMENTAL REVIEW; COST DATA

Re Bureau teletype, 8/6/76; and EP airtel,

12/3/76.

The following data is submitted as requested in Bureau teletype dated 8/6/76, for the period 1/1/76 through 12/31/76:

1. MANPOWER

None

2. UNUSUAL COSTS

None

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FROM:

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ASSASSINATIONS - COST OF
RESPONDING TO INQUIRIES FROM
OTHER AGENCIES, CONGRESSIONAL
COMMITTEES AND REQUESTS UNDER
THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT

Re Butel, 1/26/77.

The following is submitted as requested in Bureau teletype dated 1/26/76, for the period 12/31/76, through 1/31/77.

Time spent responding to inquiries concerning investigations of President KENNEDY and MARTIN LUTHER KING assassinations:

## 1. MANPOWER

SA CHARLES L. CAPEHART, GS-13, Step 4, 4 hours, regular time

MANUEL G. SOSA, GS-4, Step 4, 1 hour, regular time

## 2. UNUSUAL COSTS

None

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ReButel, 1/26/77; and EP airtel, 1/31/77

The following is submitted for the period from 1/31/77, through 2/28/77:

1. Manpower

SA CHARLES L. CAPEHART, GS-13, Step 5, 3 hours, regular time.

2. Unusual Costs

None.

Time spent responding to inquiries re investigations of the President KENNEDY and MARTIN LUTHER KING assassinations:

1. Manpower

SA CHARLES L. CAPEHART, GS-13, Step 5, 2 hours, regular time.

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ReButel, 1/26/77; and EP airtel, 3/3/77.

The following is submitted for the period from 3/1/77, through 3/31/77:

1. Manpower

None

2. Unusual Costs

None

Time spent responding to inquiries re investigations of the President KENNEDY and MARTIN LUTHER KING assassinations:

Manpower

None

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ReButel, 1/26/77; and EP airtel, 4/1/77

The following is submitted for the period from 3/31/77, through 4/30/77:

Manpower

None

Unusual Costs

None

Time spent responding to inquiries re investigations of the President KENNEDY and MARTIN LUTHER KING assassinations:

Manpower

None

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ReButel, 1/26/77; and EP airtel, 5/5/77.

The following is submitted for the period from 5/1/77, through 5/31/77:

Manpower

None

2. Unusual Costs

None

Time spent responding to inquiries re investigations of the President KENNEDY and MARTIN LUTHER KING assassinations:

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None

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OTHER AGENCIES, CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES,
AND REQUESTS UNDER THE GREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT

Re Bureau teletype, 1/26/77; and El Paso airtel, 6/3/77.

The following is submitted for the period from 5/31/77, through 6/30/77:

1. Manpower

None

2. Unusual Costs

None .

Time spent responding to inquiries re investigations of the President KENNEDY and MARTIN LUTHER KING assassinations:

1. Manpower

None

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AND REQUESTS UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT

Re Bureau teletype, 1/26/77; and El Paso airtel,

7/1/77.

The following is submitted for the period from 7/1/77, through 7/30/77:

Manpower

None

Unusual Costs

None

Time spent responding to inquiries re investigations of the President KENNEDY and MARTIN LUTHER KING assassinations:

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> > None

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Re Bureau teletype, 1/26/77; and El Paso airtel,

8/15/77.

The following is submitted for the period from 7/30/77, through 8/31/77:

> l. Manpower

> > None

2. Unusual Costs

None

Time spent responding to inquiries re investigations of the President KENNEDY and MARTIN LUTHER KING assassinations:

Manpower

None.

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Re Bureau teletype, 1/26/77; and El Paso airtel, 9/1/77.

The following is submitted for the period from 9/1/77 through 9/30/77:

1. Manpower

None

2. Unusual Costs

None

Time spent responding to inquiries re investigations of the President KENNEDY and MARTIN LUTHER KING assassinations:

1. Manpower

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ACT

Re Bureau teletype, 1/26/77; and El Paso airtel

The following is submitted for the period from 10/1/77, through 10/31/77:

1. Manpower

None

2. Unusual Costs

None

Time spent responding to inquiries re investigations of the President KENNEDY and MARTIN LUTHER KING assassinations:

1. Manpower

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AND REQUESTS UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT

Re Bureau teletype, 1/26/77; and EP airtel, 12/7/77.

The following is submitted for the period from 12/1/77, through 12/31/77:

1. Manpower

None

2. Unusual Costs

None

Time spent responding to inquiries re investigations of the President KENNEDY and MARTIN LUTHER KING assassinations:

1. Manpower

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