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Mrs. BETTY LOU WADE, 233 Smith Road, Burleson, Texas, was contacted telephonically and advised of the identity of SA GERALD LEWIS GEARY as a Special Agent of the FBI. She was advised that she was being recontacted regarding the statements of BURGESS AUDIE WILSON, her former husband, that he had killed Reverend MARTIN LUTHER KING. It was explained to Mrs. WADE that BURGESS WILSON had claimed that he had killed Reverend KING with a Japanese sniper rifle. Mrs. WADE advised that she had no recollection of her husband having a Japanese rifle. She stated she separated from BURGESS WILSON in 1974 which would mean if he actually had cwned such a weapon, he most probably obtained it after that time period. She stated she is certain that she would have been aware if he had purchased or obtained the weapon while they were living together.

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STEPHEN WAYNE WILSON, 3117 Livingston, Fort Worth, Texas, was contacted telephonically and advised of the identity of SA GERALD LEWIS GEARY as a Special Agent of the FBI. He was advised that he was being recontacted regarding his father's statement (BURGESS AUDIE WILSON) that he had killed Reverend MARTIN LUTHER KING. It was explained to WILSON that his father claimed that he had shot Reverend KING with a Japanese sniper rifle which he had later given to STEPHEN. STEPHEN WAYNE WILSON advised the following information:

The WILSONs were a closely-knit family, and were very conscious of each other's activities. He is positive his father obtained the Japanese rifle from an unknown source after he was in the military service, which would have been after 1970. He recalled his dad showing it to him when he came home on military leave. STEPHEN never fired the weapon because he was afraid that it would not function properly, and secondly, because they never had any ammunition for the rifle. He personally never knew of his dad using the weapon. His dad had the stock of the weapon worked on by a friend who was a furniture refinisher in Canyon Lake, Texas, but that was the only work ever done on the rifle. The gun was of Japanese manufacturer, as it had Japanese printing on its various parts.

WILSON's dad gave the gun to him while he was in the service, and he hocked the rifle at a pawn shop in San Antonio sometime in the early 1970's, date unrecalled. He has no receipt or bill of lading for the rifle.

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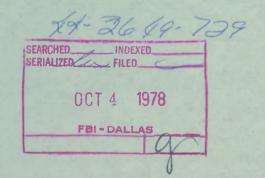
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION Dallas, Texas February 1, 1979

ASSASSINATION OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. CIVIL RIGHTS

On January 30, 1979, an anonymous woman caller telephonically furnished the following information to Special Agent Udo H. Specht, FBI, Dallas, Texas:

She stated that an individual by the name of C. H. Wilson, residing at Boyd, Texas, in a brick house on the road between Boyd and Azle, Texas, might have been responsible or somehow involved in the assassination of Martin Luther King, Jr. She described Wilson as a white male, 6', 180 pounds, 51 years of age, and a pipe welder by trade. Wilson was involved in Ku Klux Klan activities and lived in Greenville, Mississippi in 1968 and prior to that. Prior to the assassination of King, Wilson allegedly stated that he would kill or was going to kill Martin Luther King. Wilson and another man, whom she would not identify, were in Memphis the day King was assassinated. At that time, Wilson owned a relatively new white Ford Mustang bearing Mississippi license plates. After Wilson returned to Greenville, Mississippi, from Memphis, Tennessee, he hid the white Mustang for approximately one month.

The caller stated that Wilson is an alcoholic and was during that time. He was drinking two and three quarts a day. The caller stated that Wilson is mean and capable of murder, especially if he has been drinking.

The caller would not identify the other man who was in Memphis with Wilson until she found out somehow that someone is investigating what she is saying.

On January 30, 1979, a telephone company information operator advised that a C. H. Wilson is listed as residing in Boyd, Texas, telephone number (817)433-5105.

The Dallas, Texas FBI indices to investigatory records did not reflect any information identifiable with C. H. Wilson.

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