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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

cc:

1 - Each Special Agent

1 - 66-4127 - SAC's Office (w/incoming)

1 - 66-161 (All Employee Memo File)

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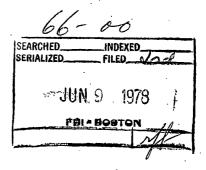
1 - 89-43 (JFK File)(w/cc inc.)

1 - 175-112 (JFK File) (w/cc inc.)

1 - 157-644 (MLK File) (w/cc inc.)

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HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS (HSCA)

RE BUTEL TO ALL FIELD 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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TRAVELED THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY AND ABROAD CONDUCTING INTERVIEWS OF MANY INDIVIDUALS. SOME OF THESE PERSONS ARE LIKELY TO BE PRESENT OR FORMER INFORMANTS AND CONFIDENTIAL SOURCES OF THE FBI WHO MAY BE SUBPOENAED TO TESTIFY BEFORE THE HSCA. BASED ON INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT FBIHQ, THE HSCA PLANS TO CONDUCT APPROXIMATELY 40 DAYS OF PUBLIC HEARINGS DURING FALL OF 1978 AND RELEASE OF ITS FINAL REPORT IS SCHEDULED FOR DECEMBER, 1978.

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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