

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

Assistant Attorney General
Criminal Division
Attention: Mr. Robert L. Keuch
Director, FBI

December 29, 1978

- 1 - Mr. Mintz
Attn: Mr. Heller
- 1 - Mr. Aldhizer
- 1 - Mr. Foster

HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS
U. S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES (HSCA)

Reference is made to the letter to the Attorney General from G. Robert Blakey, Chief Counsel and Director, HSCA, dated December 13, 1978, which, in connection with the HSCA's investigation into the assassination of Martin Luther King, Jr., requested delivery of the remaining portions of the FBI's investigative file pertaining to the robbery of the Bank of Alton, Illinois.

Enclosed are an original and one copy of a memorandum in response to referenced letter. It is requested that you furnish a copy of the enclosed memorandum to the HSCA.

Enclosures (2)

NOTE: James Earl Ray was a suspect in the Alton, Illinois, bank robbery which occurred on 7/13/67. By request dated 8/9/77, the HSCA requested delivery of all investigative reports concerning this robbery in the files of FBI Headquarters. Copies of these reports were delivered to the HSCA on 9/19/77.

HSCA request of 12/13/78 asked for delivery of the remaining portions of the file and that this material be reviewed with the understanding that the HSCA intends to enter the material as part of the Committee's public record.

Material has been processed to protect informants and sources and was reviewed by SA Kurk I. Klossner, Projects Unit, Document Classification and Review Section, who advised the material contains no classified information. Therefore, there is no objection to the HSCA entering the material into the Committee's public record.

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The Honorable Griffin B. Bell
Attorney General of the United States
Department of Justice
Washington, D.C. 20530

Attention: Mr. Robert Keuch
Deputy Assistant Attorney General
Criminal Division, Room 2113

Dear Mr. Attorney General:

By letter dated August 9, 1977 to the Attorney General, the Select Committee on Assassinations requested delivery of certain reports pertaining to the robbery of the Bank of Alton, Illinois. As this matter is of extreme importance to the Committee's inquiry into the circumstances surrounding the death of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., the Committee respectfully requests delivery of the remaining portions of this file on a priority basis.

Additionally, the Committee requests that the Federal Bureau of Investigation review this file with the understanding that the Committee intends to enter these materials as a part of the Committee's public record.

I sincerely thank you for your cooperation and assistance extended to the Martin Luther King Task Force over the course of this investigation.

Very truly yours,

G. Robert Blakey

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Chief Counsel and Director

GRB:ghn
xc: Ron Heller

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This memorandum is to confirm that on December 26, 1978, the remaining portions of the FBI Headquarters investigative file (91-27494, serials 1 through 32) concerning the robbery of the Bank of Alton, Illinois, on July 13, 1967, was delivered to HSCA representative Allen Hausman. It is noted that in response to a previous HSCA request, investigative reports in this file were delivered to the HSCA.

The FBI has no objection to delivered material being entered into the HSCA public record.

Where information is not provided, it is either not retrievable or is not being furnished pursuant to the Memorandum of Understanding.

ORIGINAL AND ONE SENT TO ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL, CRIMINAL DIVISION, ATTENTION: MR. ROBERT L. KEUCH.

NOTE: See Director, FBI, letter to Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, Attention: Mr. Robert L. Keuch, dated December 29, 1978, captioned as above.

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