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4. Attached is a copy of the report which we have passed to the representative.
Meeting of Dr. Martin Luther KING with Italian Leftist Personalities

For Your Information.


   "Luther KING, noted Protestant negro Pastor and 'leader' of the anti-racist movement in the United States, met with various leaders of the Italian Communist Party (PCI) and of the Italian Socialist Party (PSI) on 18-September in Rome. In particular, KING conferred with PCI Senators Velio SPANO and Ugo BARTESAGHI, with PSI Deputy Lucio LUZZATO, and with Senator Paolo VITTORELLI of the Italian Socialist Party of Proletarian Unity. KING discussed with the above-named politicians the program of demonstrations against segregation in the United States, which are to be organized in Italy during the months immediately ahead."

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MeETING OF DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING WITH ITALIAN LEFTIST PERSONALITIES

For Your Information.

1. Following is a translation of a report on the subject: "The Mission of Luther KING with the Italian Left", dated 28 September 1964 and attributed to DEPLENARY/7, from Luigi PINTOR, from information coming into the editorial offices of L'UNITA. The Station received the report on 1 October 1964.

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2. The same report was also received from DEDICATOR/4 who has access to the DEPLENARY establishment and thus it is not considered as confirming the DEPLENARY/7 information.

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RANDOLPH A. MEDEORD
OGGETTO: La missione di Luther King presso le sinistre italiane
VALUTAZIONE: Ottima
FONTE: Attendibile/UU

Luther King, noto pastore protestante negro, e "leader" del movimento antirazzista degli Stati Uniti, si è incontrato il 18 settembre u.s. a Roma con diversi esponenti del P.C.I. e del P.S.I.


Il pastore King ha discusso con i predetti uomini politici il programma di manifestazioni contro il segregazionismo negli Stati Uniti, che si dovrebbero organizzare nei prossimi mesi in Italia.
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