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Transfer-Call 3421

1 - T. E. Bishop

1 - G. C. Moore
April 2, 1968

1 - Mr. T. J. Heskin

Airtel

To: SAC, Mobile

From: Director, FBI

Subject: COUNTERINTELLIGENCE PROGRAM
BLACK NATIONALIST - HATE GROUPS
RACIAL INTELLIGENCE
(WASHINGTON SPRING PROJECT)

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Reurairtel 3/25/68.

You are authorized to send the two anonymous letters set out in reairtel. Prepare the letters on commercially purchased stationery and take all necessary precautions to insure they cannot be traced to the Bureau.

When the letters and envelopes are prepared, send them to the Baltimore Office for mailing. For the information of Baltimore these two letters are designed to bring the true nature of the Washington Spring Project to the attention of Negro leaders in Selma, Alabama. Mail the letters the same day they are received from Mobile.

The Bureau appreciates Mobile's suggestion. Advise the Bureau, under the above caption, of results.

2 - Baltimore

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NOTE:

SAC, MO, recommends that an anonymous letter showing the true nature of Martin Luther King's Washington Spring Project be sent Rev. Frederick Reese in Selma, Ala. Reese has made derogatory remarks about King.

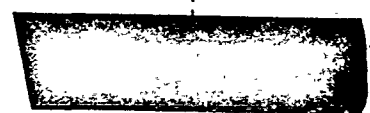
Instead, this letter would be sent from another city (DA) with a copy to the editor of the local newspaper, the "Selma Times-Journal," to give the newspaper an opportunity to interview Reese about the letter and possibly publicize its contents. This newspaper has a wide Negro leadership. The letter will note the march is for King's personal aggrandizement, he is interested mainly in donations, there is no provision to house or feed marchers, and there might be violence. Black nationalists take over the march.

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Date: 3/25/68



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AIRMAIL

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, MOBILE

MARTIN LUTHER KING
RACIAL INTELLIGENCE



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ON 1/26/82

ReBuTelCall to me 3/12/68, and BuRad 3/21/68.

I have considered this matter, discussed it with appropriate agent and supervisory personnel of the Mobile Office and the following is proposed as a counterintelligence move on KING's Washington Spring Project.

KING has quite a following in and around the Selma, Ala. area and has appeared recently in Selma on one occasion at the church of Reverend L. L. ANDERSON, who, at the time of KING's appearance, was running for mayor of Selma. ANDERSON was tentatively endorsed by KING and was subsequently defeated in his race for mayor of Selma.



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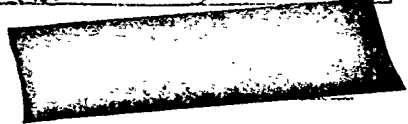
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By handling as above, we would eliminate the possibility of these rumors being attributed to the FBI.

Consideration has been given to some method of discouraging [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] From our contact [REDACTED] who is a liaison source, it is the opinion of contacting agents that he is so sold on the project that it is almost impossible to disillusion him. [REDACTED]

It is also felt that some method of getting an article in the "Southern Courier" along the lines of the above would have a discouraging effect on the Negro community in and around Montgomery, Ala., since the Courier is very widely read. Consideration is being given to the method of accomplishing this.

The Bureau is requested to consider the proposal set forth above and advise.

Date: 3/29/68

Mr. Tolson	
Mr. DeLoach	
Mr. Mohr	
Mr. Bishop	
Mr. Casper	
Mr. Callahan	
Mr. Conrad	
Mr. Felt	
Mr. Gale	
Mr. Rosen	
Mr. Sullivan	
Mr. Tavel	
Mr. Trotter	
Mr. Tele. Room	
Miss Holmes	
Miss Gandy	

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-10677)

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-136585)

SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
SECURITY MATTER - C
(OO:ATLANTA)

ReNYteletype 3/29/68.

There are enclosed for the Bureau eleven copies of a Letterhead Memorandum (LHM) containing information from

[Redacted block]

[Redacted block]

An information copy of this LHM is being sent to the Richmond Office, since it is indicated that KING will probably cancel a scheduled appearance in Virginia on Saturday (March 30, 1968).

- 4-Bureau (Encls. 11) (RM)
 - (1-157-8428) (WASHINGTON SPRING PROJECT)
- 2-Atlanta (100-) (Encls. 3) (RM)
 - (1-100-5718) (COMINFIL SCLC)
 - (1-157-) (WASHINGTON SPRING PROJECT)
- 1-Richmond (100-) (Encl. 1) (INFO) (RM)
- 2-Washington Field (100-) (Encls. 2) (RM)
 - (1-157-) (WASHINGTON SPRING PROJECT)
- 1-New York (100-111180) (STANLEY LEVISON) (41)
- 1-New York (100-149104) (COMINFIL SCLC) (45)
- 1-New York (100-155735) (CERR) (21)
- 1-New York (157-2052) (WASHINGTON SPRING PROJECT) (43)
- 1-New York (100-136585)

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Approved: _____ Sent: _____ Per: _____
Special Agent in Charge

[Redacted signature block]

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This LHM is classified [REDACTED] because it contains information from [REDACTED] a source engaged in furnishing information about racial matters in the US [REDACTED]. It also is classified [REDACTED] because it contains [REDACTED].

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT
M E M O R A N D U M

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

Date: 11/21/61

FROM: SAC, ATLANTA (100-5718) (C)

SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE
RACIAL MATTERS

Re Memphis airtel to Bureau, 9/26/61.

[redacted] of the Atlanta Office, have no information regarding the SCLC Annual Convention in Nashville, Tenn., held September, 1961.

New York letter to the Bureau, 9/27/61, entitled "CP - USA, SOUTHERN REGION, IS - C" states [redacted]

Individual Racial Matters where the SCLC may be involved are opened if warranted under separate case captions. There is no information on which to base a Security Matter inquiry or racial matters investigation of the SCLC at this time.

- 2 - Bureau (RM)
- 1 - Birmingham (info) (RM)
- 1 - Charlotte (info) (RM)
- 1 - Jacksonville (info) (RM)
- 1 - Knoxville (info) (RM)
- 1 - Louisville (info) (RM)
- 1 - Miami (info) (RM)
- 1 - Mobile (info) (RM)
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- 1 - Savannah (info) (RM)
- 1 - Tampa (info) (RM)
- 1 - Memphis (info) (RM)
- 1 - Atlanta

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1 - Mr. Sullivan

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Gandy

Mr. W. C. Sullivan

DATE: 8/30/67

FROM : D. J. Brennan, Jr.

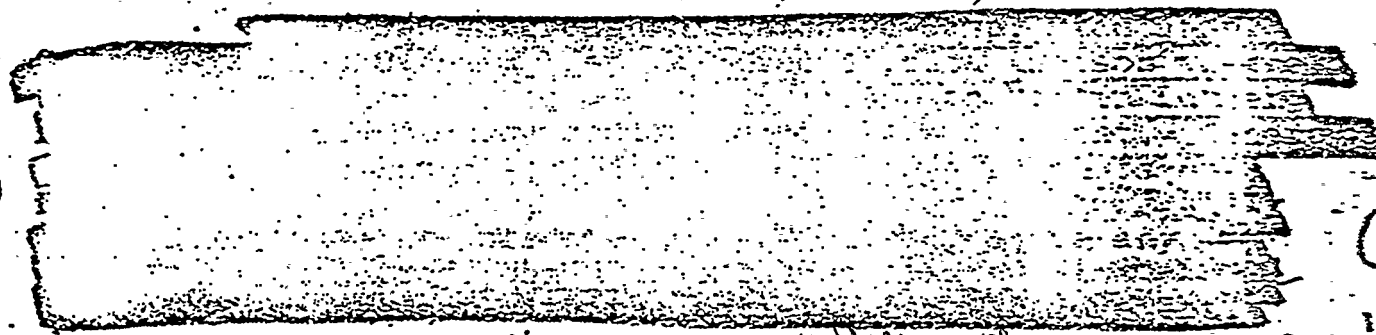
1 - C. D. Brennan
(D. M. Wells)
1 - Liaison
1 - J. M. Fitzgerald

SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
SECURITY MATTER - C

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DATE 11/11/80 BY SP-10/BJW

1) D. J. Brennan

This is to recommend that we furnish to General Wallace M. Greene, Jr., Commandant of the Marine Corps, the attached copy of Bureau "Top Secret" monograph entitled, "Communist Influence in Racial Matters - - A Current Analysis."



OBSERVATIONS:

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General Greene has always been very friendly and cooperative with the Bureau. As Commandant of the Marine Corps he is also a member of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. It is felt it would definitely be to the benefit of General Greene and to the Bureau to furnish him the enclosed monograph which has previously been disseminated to the White House, the Attorney General, the Secretary of Defense, Secretary of State, and the Secret Service. In addition, approval was given recently to furnish a copy of the document to

RECOMMENDATION:

That attached monograph be furnished by Liaison to General Greene.

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Letter to Atlanta
RE: COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF THE
SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE
100-435794

All offices are cautioned that any information developed concerning the SCLC relating to racial matters must be reported under the racial matters caption. It should be noted that the [REDACTED] maintains a separate file on SCLC relating to racial incidents (157-632). All investigation under the caption of this letter must be limited to and directed toward determining the extent of communist infiltration of the SCLC.

NOTE ON YELICH:

[REDACTED]

Review of correspondence received at the Bureau under various captions relating to the activities of SCLC and its leader, Martin Luther King, Jr., indicated the [REDACTED] King and [REDACTED] New York and Atlanta were instructed to make a complete review of all information concerning this matter and to furnish the Bureau recommendations concerning a communist infiltration investigation. New York recommended a COMINFIL investigation of the New York chapter [REDACTED] of the New York chapter of the SCLC. New York also recommended a COMINFIL investigation of SCLC due to the fact that four CP members are presently associated with SCLC and that at least one of these members is an officer of SCLC and close to King. [REDACTED]

It is believed a communist infiltration investigation is warranted. See memo Baumgardner to Sullivan, same caption, dated October 22, 1962. RJR:ccb.

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9/15/66 [unclear]
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July 20, 1962

SAC, Atlanta

Director, FBI

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- 1 - Mr. Kitchens
- 1 - Mr. Harrington
- 1 - Mr. Rampton

**COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF THE
SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE**
INTERNAL SECURITY - C
(OO: ATLANTA)

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Prior correspondence received from Atlanta and New York indicates Stanley David Levison, Communist Hunter Pitts O'Dell, who has had prior connections with CP, are influential with Martin Luther King, Jr., head of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC).

It is noted O'Dell is employed by SCLC and is in charge of the New York office of this organization. Early this year the New York Office furnished information the New York Friends of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (NYF, SCLC) had been organized by CP members; however, this organization ceased activity on 2-22-62 and the matter was closed subject to reopening and reporting in the event additional information was developed concerning its continued existence. This latter organization was organized to give some financial support to the SCLC.

Atlanta and New York are instructed to review files, contact sources and determine whether the CP is exerting any influence on the SCLC through Levison and O'Dell or others and/or whether the Party is making any attempts to infiltrate this organization. The Bureau should be furnished a comprehensive summary of the information available to each office concerning all

- 1 - Atlanta (100-5718) (SCLC, RM)
- 3 - New York (1 - 100-147322) (NYF, SCLC)

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- 1 - 100-437326 (NY, SCLC)
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Letter to Atlanta

RE: COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF THE
SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

individuals connected with the CP who are influential in or
have a position in the SCLC. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
integrationist movement. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] clearly shown for purposes of evaluating
whether a communist infiltration investigation should be
conducted on the SCLC. [REDACTED]

New York should furnish the Bureau and Atlanta its
observations and analysis of the information it has developed
to assist Atlanta in making its recommendations. Atlanta,
upon receipt of New York's reply, should furnish the Bureau
the results of its review and its recommendations as to whether
a communist infiltration investigation is warranted in accordance
with the instructions contained in Section 87 E of the Manual of
Instructions. No investigation of this nature should be con-
ducted, however, without Bureau authority.

The Bureau has opened a separate file on this matter
and correspondence relating to the communist infiltration of
SCLC should be directed to this file rather than the Racial
Matters file (100-427079)-157-632

NOTE ON YELLOW: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Levison has been identified as Associate Director of
SCLC [REDACTED] O'Dell [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] administrative assistant to King and is
employed by the SCLC, in charge of the New York office. O'Dell
has been identified as a CP member in the past [REDACTED] S

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