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HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS (HSCA)

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IN CONNECTION WITH THE HSCA'S INVESTIGATION INTO THE ASSASSINATION OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., STAFF MEMBERS OF THE HSCA HAVE BEEN GIVEN ACCESS TO NUMEROUS FILES AT FBIHQ INCLUDING THOSE RELATING TO THE UNITED KLANS OF AMERICA (UKA) AND ARTHUR HANES, FORMER COUNSEL OF JAMES E. RAY. BY LETTER TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL DATED APRIL 12, 1978, THE HSCA FURNISHED A LIST OF SERIALS CONCERNING CONTACT BETWEEN HANES AND ROBERT SHELTON, IMPERIAL WIZZARD OF THE UKA. THIS LETTER REQUESTED THAT FBI INFORMANTS PROVIDING INFORMATION CONCERNING THE HANES-SHELTON RELATIONSHIP BE CONTACTED TO DETERMINE IF THEY WOULD BE

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AGREEABLE TO INTERVIEW BY HSCA STAFF MEMBERS. THESE INFORMANTS (ALL FORMER) ARE AS FOLLOWS:

✓ (1) CO 44-R, BUFILE 170-553, COLUMBIA FILE 170-11, OPERATED FROM 1965 TO 1972. THIS INFORMANT REPORTED INFORMATION CONCERNING HANES-SHELTON CONTACT, AS SET FORTH IN COLUMBIA AIRTEL AND LHM TO THE BUREAU DATED AUGUST 4, 1969, CAPTIONED "IMPERIAL BOARD MEETING, UKA INC., KKKK TUSCALOOSA, ALABAMA, JULY 27, 1969."

(2) ME 313-E, BUREAU FILE 170-666, MEMPHIS FILE 170-154, OPERATED FROM 1965 TO 1972. INFORMATION FROM THIS INFORMANT CONCERNING THE HANES-SHELTON RELATIONSHIP WAS REPORTED IN MEMPHIS AIRTEL TO THE BUREAU AUGUST 19, 1968, AND MEMPHIS AIRTEL AND LHM TO THE BUREAU DATED AUGUST 29, 1968, BOTH CAPTIONED "MURKIN".

(3) BH 418-R (FORMER NO 1289-R), BUFILE 170-260, BIRMINGHAM FILE 170-189, NEW ORLEANS FILE 170-85, OPERATED FROM 1964 TO 1969. THIS INFORMANT WAS LAST CONTACTED IN LATE 1969 BY NEW ORLEANS AFTER RELOCATING FROM BIRMINGHAM. INFORMANT REPORTED ON CONTACT BETWEEN HANES AND SHELTON AS SET FORTH IN BIRMINGHAM AIRTELS TO THE BUREAU DATED JULY 22, 1968, AND

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AUGUST 20, 1968, AND BIRMINGHAM AIRTEL AND LHM TO THE BUREAU DATED SEPTEMBER 4, 1968, ALL CAPTIONED "UKA, INC., KKKK". NONE OF THESE DOCUMENTS WERE SENT TO NEW ORLEANS.

COLUMBIA, MEMPHIS, AND NEW ORLEANS ATTEMPT TO CONTACT INFORMANTS, RESPECTIVELY, AND ADVISE EACH THAT THE HSCA DESIRES TO INTERVIEW THEM CONCERNING INFORMATION THEY PROVIDED ABOUT THE HANES-SHELTON RELATIONSHIP. THEY SHOULD BE TOLD THAT TO THE FBI'S KNOWLEDGE, THE HSCA IS NOT AWARE OF THEIR RELATIONSHIP WITH THE FBI OR THEIR IDENTITIES, OTHER THAN THE LATTER IS LIKELY AVAILABLE TO THE COMMITTEE THROUGH ITS REVIEW OF UKA FILES. DETERMINE AT THIS POINT ONLY INFORMANTS' INITIAL REACTION TO BEING INTERVIEWED BY REPRESENTATIVES OF THE HSCA. IF THERE ARE NO OBJECTIONS TO INTERVIEW, THE INFORMANT SHOULD BE TOLD THAT CONFERENCES WITH THE HSCA AND THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE WILL BE UNDERTAKEN TO WORK OUT ADDITIONAL DETAILS REGARDING THE EXTENT OF PROTECTION AND CONFIDENTIALITY THE HSCA IS WILLING TO EXTEND AS WELL AS THE LOCATION AND SCOPE OF INTERVIEW.

SUTEL RESULTS TO FBIHQ ATTENTION: CONGRESSIONAL INQUIRY UNIT, RECORDS MANAGEMENT DIVISION.

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FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OF MEMPHIS, THROUGH ITS REVIEW OF FBIHQ FILE CONCERNING THE INVADERS, THE HSCA HAS DETERMINED THAT THE MEMPHIS OFFICE HAD FIVE INFORMANTS FURNISHING INFORMATION REGARDING THAT GROUP. THE COMMITTEE IS TRYING TO RESOLVE THE ISSUE AS TO WHETHER OR NOT THESE INFORMANTS WERE INVOLVED IN INSTIGATING VIOLENCE WHICH OCCURRED IN CONNECTION WITH THE SANITATION WORKERS STRIKE IN MEMPHIS DURING 1968. THESE INFORMANTS ARE AS FOLLOWS: ME 282-R, MEMPHIS FILE 170-1019; ME 338-R, MEMPHIS FILE 170-70; ME 339-R, MEMPHIS FILE 170-117; ME 352-R, MEMPHIS FILE 170-1040; AND ME 353-R, MEMPHIS FILE 170-1022.

THE HSCA DESIRES TO INTERVIEW THE SPECIAL AGENT(S) WHO HANDLED THESE INFORMANTS. THEREFORE, MEMPHIS INCLUDE IN YOUR TELETYPE IDENTITIES OF AGENTS HANDLING THE ABOVE FIVE INFORMANTS. SPECIFY TIME PERIODS INVOLVED. IF KNOWN, FURNISH THE CURRENT OFFICE OF ASSIGNMENT OR LAST KNOWN ADDRESS OF THESE AGENTS.

INFORMATION COPY TO BIRMINGHAM TO ADVISE OF HSCA'S INTEREST IN BH 418-R, A FORMER HIGH LEVEL INFORMANT IN THE NATIONAL OFFICE OF THE UKA.

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HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS (HSCA)

RE BUREAU TELETYPE DATED APRIL 28, 1978.

CO 44-R, BUREAU FILE 170-553 AND COLUMBIA FILE 170-11

~~(NEW COLUMBIA FILE 143-202)~~ WHO WAS OPERATED AS A SOURCE
 OF THE COLUMBIA DIVISION FROM 1965 TO 1972 WAS CONTACTED
 BY SA GEORGE G. ROSS ON MAY 3, 1978, AT HIS HOME IN FAIRFAX,
 S. C. HE CAN BE CONTACTED THROUGH TELEPHONE NUMBER
 (803) 632-3634. THE COLUMBIA LETTERHEAD MEMORANDUM TO
 THE BUREAU DATED AUGUST 4, 1969, CAPTIONED "IMPERIAL BOARD
 MEETING, UKA INC., KKKK TUSCALOOSA, ALABAMA, JULY 27,
 1969" WAS REVIEWED WITH THE SOURCE TO REFRESH HIS MEMORY
 AS TO THE INFORMATION HE FURNISHED REGARDING THE HANES -
 SHELTON CONTACT. THE SOURCE SAID THAT HE HAS NO OBJECTIONS

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 TO BEING INTERVIEWED BY A STAFF MEMBER FROM THE HSCA,
 BUT HE WANTS THE INTERVIEW AT HIS HOME IN FAIRFAX, S. C.,
 IN VIEW OF HIS BUSINESS COMMITMENTS AND ILLNESS OF HIS
 MOTHER. THE SOURCE OWNS AND OPERATES THE ARROWHEAD NURSERY
 IN FAIRFAX, S. C., WITH A CONSIDERABLE INVESTMENT IN THIS
 NURSEY, AS WELL AS IN LAND, ESTIMATED TO BE IN EXCESS OF
 1½ MILLION DOLLARS. HE REQUESTED THAT HIS NAME BE HELD
 IN CONFIDENCE BY THE HSCA AND DOES NOT WANT IT DIVULGED
 OUTSIDE THIS COMMITTEE'S ORGANIZATION. HE SAID THAT HE
 DOES NOT FEEL THAT HE CAN FURNISH ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
 OTHER THAN WHAT WAS FURNISHED IN THE PREVIOUS COLUMBIA
 MEMORANDUM DATED AUGUST 4, 1969.

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HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS (HSCA)

REFERENCE COLUMBIA AND MEMPHIS TELETYPES TO THE BUREAU,
BOTH DATED MAY 4, 1978.

REFERENCED TELETYPES ADVISED, RESPECTIVELY, THAT CO 44-R
(FORMER) AND ME 313-E (FORMER) HAD NO OBJECTIONS TO BEING INTER-
VIEWED BY STAFF MEMBERS OF THE HSCA. BASED ON DISCUSSIONS
BETWEEN REPRESENTATIVES OF FBI HEADQUARTERS (FBIHQ), DEPARTMENT
OF JUSTICE AND HSCA, IT HAS BEEN AGREED TO PROCEED BY FURNISHING
TO THE INFORMANTS THE IDENTITIES AND TELEPHONE NUMBER OF HSCA
PERSONNEL IN ORDER THAT INFORMANTS CAN TELEPHONICALLY CONTACT
THE HSCA AND MAKE THEIR OWN ARRANGEMENTS FOR INTERVIEW. INFOR-
MANTS CAN PERSONALLY NEGOTIATE THE SCOPE OF INTERVIEW AND THE

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CONFIDENTIALITY OF INFORMATION THEY MAY PROVIDE THE COMMITTEE.

INFORMANTS SHOULD BE GIVEN THE NAMES OF MARK SPEISER AND PETER BEESON, BOTH HSCA STAFF ATTORNEYS, WHO CAN BE CONTACTED COLLECT AT 202-225-8353. UPON CALLING, INFORMANTS SHOULD FURNISH THEIR IDENTITIES AND ADVISE THEY WERE THE INDIVIDUALS WHO PROVIDED THE FBI INFORMATION CONCERNING THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN ROBERT SHELTON, IMPERIAL WIZARD OF THE UNITED KLANS OF AMERICA (UKA), AND ARTHUR HANES, FORMER COUNSEL OF JAMES EARL RAY. IDENTITIES OF INFORMANTS HAVE NOT BEEN FURNISHED TO THE HSCA BY FBIHQ.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, COLUMBIA (175-73)

DATE: 5/22/78

FROM : SA GEORGE G. ROSS

SUBJECT: HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON
ASSASSINATIONS (HSCA)

On 5/17/78, J. T. ALDHIZER, FBIHQ, telephoned and advised as follows:

CO 44- (former) should be contacted and furnished names of MARK SPEILER and PETER BEESON, telephone 202-225-8353, who are attached to HSCA, CO 44- should contact either one by telephone and arrange for interview and set out any conditions he may desire for the interview.

On 5/17/78, CO 44- (former) was contacted and furnished above information.

On 5/22/78, CO 44- telephoned and advised that arrangements made for interview today at his residence. He will contact office on 5/23/78.

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HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS (HSCA).

ON MAY 26, 1978, CO 44-(FORMER) CONTACTED AT HIS RESIDENCE AT HIS REQUEST BY SA GEORGE G. ROSS. HE WAS INTERVIEWED BY MARK SPEISER AND PETER BEESON AND UNIDENTIFIED STENOGRAPHER AT HIS HOME, FAIRFAX, S.C., ON MAY 22, 1978, FROM APPROXIMATELY 6:00 P.M. - 11:00 P.M. THEY REQUESTED THAT HE APPEAR BEFORE HSCA WASHINGTON, D.C., ON JUNE 6, 1978, WHICH HE AGREED TO DO.

HE WAS INTERVIEWED CONCERNING KLAN ACTIVITY ON NATIONAL AND STATE LEVEL AND SPECIFICALLY ANY INFORMATION REGARDING ART HANES.

HE WAS ASKED IF HE HAD FURNISHED ANY INFORMATION OF A CRIMINAL NATURE THAT THE FBI HAD NOT ACTED ON - TO WHICH HE STATED NO.

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THEY ALSO INDICATED THAT THEY PLANNED TO INTERVIEW DEAN WILLIAMS FORMER GRAND DRAGON, UNITED KLANS OF AMERICA INC, (UKA), S.C. AND MELVIN SEXTON, NATIONAL OFFICER OF THE UKA. CO 44- SPECULATED THAT SEXTON AND WILLIAMS MAY HAVE BEEN INFORMANTS BECAUSE THEY WERE BEING INTERVIEWED IN SAME TIME PERIOD.

CO 44- FURNISHED ISSUE OF "FIREY CROSS" NEWSPAPER TO EITHER SPEISER OR BEESON WHICH HAD PHOTOGRAPH OF ART A. HANES.

CO 44- INDICATED THAT HE REQUESTED THAT NO PUBLICITY BE GIVEN TO ANY OF HIS TESTIMONY BEFORE THE HSCA AND SAID THAT HE IS GOING TO ASK THAT ANY INFORMATION HE FURNISHES BE CONFIDENTIAL.
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RECOTEL, MAY 30, 1978.

CO 44-(FORMER) CONTACTED COLUMBIA OFFICE JUNE 1, 1978, AND ADVISED BY UNRECALLED REPRESENTATIVE OF HSCA ON JUNE 1, 1978, THAT HE WILL NOT HAVE TO APPEAR BEFORE COMMITTEE, WASHINGTON, D.C., JUNE 6, 1978. CALLER INDICATED TO CO 44-(FORMER) THAT DID NOT THINK CO 44-(FORMER) WILL HAVE TO APPEAR BEFORE COMMITTEE ON FUTURE DATE.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, COLUMBIA (175-73)

DATE: 7/3/78

FROM : SA GEORGE G. ROSS

SUBJECT: HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS (HSCA)

A review of this case indicates HSCA appears interested in CO 44- and CO 80- , both of whom have been interviewed by HSCA staff personnel.

CO 80- appeared at hearing in Washington, D.C., June, 1978, which is set out in COfile 137-2045. It does appear that CO 44- will be required to appear before HSCA hearing.

Recommend case be closed administratively.

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