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

September 28, 1978

- 1 - Legal Counsel Div.
(Attn: Mr. Heller)
- 1 - Mr. Ryan
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HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS
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Enclosed are an original and one copy of a memorandum in response to above-referenced letter. It is requested that delivery of one copy of the memorandum be made to the HSCA.

Enclosures (2)

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NOTE: Access to the Atlanta MURKIN file (AT 44-2386); the material regarding the misfiling of information concerning Russell George Beyers; and the Atlanta UKA file (157-370-2), has been previously provided in response to HSCA requests of 7-28-78, 8-9-78, and 11-3-77, respectively.

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This is to advise that the above-requested material was delivered to HSCA Staff Member Phoebe Orr on September 25, 1978. Where information is not provided, it is because it is either not retrievable or it is subject to the Memorandum of Understanding.

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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
September 28, 1978, captioned as above.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (62-117290)
 ATT: CONGRESSIONAL INQUIRY UNIT,
 RECORDS MANAGEMENT DIVISION

FROM: SAC, JACKSON (62-544) (RUC)

HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE
ON ASSASSINATIONS (HSCA)

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Re FBIHQ teletype, dated 9/19/78, captioned
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Enclosed, under separate cover, are two Xerox
 copies of documents from indicated Jackson files:

JN 157-316 (CITIZENS COUNCIL OF AMERICA) (Bufile 105-46604)

- (1) 45 serials numbered 314-357. It is noted that
 two serials are numbered 338.
- (2) 21 exhibits numbered 1A-37 (two separate pamphlets);
 1A-43 - 1A-61

JN 157-59 (GREATER LOS ANGELES CITIZENS COUNCIL)
 (Bufile 105-34237)

3 serials numbered 24-26

JN 157-527 (ASSOCIATION OF CITIZENS COUNCILS OF MISSISSIPPI)
 (Bufile 105-34237-33) 87-120

8 serials numbered 526-533

JN 157-1799

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One serial numbered 23

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(1) 7 serials numbered 26-32

(2) 1A-1

JN 157-9577

12 serials numbered 1-12

JN 157-1801

8 serials numbered 158-165

JN 157-6614

16 serials numbered 8-24 (serial 15 skipped)

JN 157-9335

2 serials numbered 1 and 2

JN 157-6711

One serial numbered 10

JN 157-1742

2 serials numbered 6 and 7

JN 157-1806

(1) One serial numbered 11

(2) 1A-1

JN 157-1796

(1) 3 serials numbered 34, 56, 57

(2) 2 exhibits numbered 1A-1, 1A-2

It should be noted that above Jackson file numbers not immediately followed by title of case represent individual cases opened concerning local groups by county within the Association of Citizens' Councils of Mississippi, supra.

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October 2, 1978

To: SAC, Jackson (62-544)

From: Director, FBI (62-117290)

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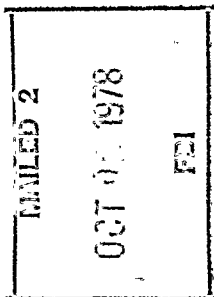
Re Jackson airtel, 9/26/78.

Enclosed for Jackson is one copy of "The Citizen"
dated November, 1968, which was included with Xerox copies
of other documents.

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September 8, 1978

TO: EMMETT A. SCHMITT .

LOCAL & STATE

FROM: ART WOODS

RE: Questioning in Regard to KING Assassination

o House Select Committee on Assassinations

RON HELLER, Legal Counsel, Bureau Headquarters, contacted me on July 20, 1978. He requested that, upon completion of the interview between me and the attorney for the House of Representatives concerning the assassination of MARTIN LUTHER KING, information be furnished to the Bureau as to the type of questions and the answers to same.

Attached is an account of the conversation, which is the best verbatim account I could make, due to my ability in taking notes.

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Attachment

1- ENCLOSURE

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Telephone conversation with MICHAEL EBERHART, Attorney for the House of Representatives Select Committee on Assassinations, at 10 AM on Friday, September 1, 1978.

Mr. EBERHART stated they were interested in the escape of JAMES EARL RAY and the investigation conducted by the Bureau under the UFAC statute in his escape from the Missouri State Prison prior to the assassination of MARTIN LUTHER KING. He said that they have some records and some of the records had been destroyed. He is trying to gather information and piece it together with what records they have available.

EBERHART asked me if I recalled having done any investigation concerning the Bureau's UFAC investigation. I answered, "Not really. Well, I tell you the only thing I recall and I don't know whether it was at that time or the time of the assassination. It seems to me some rumor or some information came to my attention that he (RAY) was or had relatives from the Quincy, Illinois area or some place in that area that would be covered by the Resident Agency in Quincy."

EBERHART then asked if it could have been the Alton area rather than the Quincy area. I answered, "The Alton area does not ring a bell with me."

He said that BOB HAINES was in the Alton Resident Agency. I answered, "That's true."

EBERHART then stated that in handling investigation, he presumed that all information came into the Springfield Office first, was that right? I answered, "All leads came into the Springfield Office and would have been disseminated to the proper Resident Agency which would have taken care of them."

EBERHART made the statement he had recently talked with BOB HAINES, formerly of the Alton Resident Agency, Alton, Illinois, who recalled having done some work concerning RAY's escape. He said, "Let me ask you a general question, which you may have already answered. Do you recall any investigation pertaining to RAY pre-assassination or pro-assassination by the Alton Resident Agency." My answer was,

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"No. Let me clarify one thing. When you talk about Alton, I would have been 160 some odd miles north and east of it. And Quincy, I would have been approximately 150 miles almost more east than north of there. Quite a distance in between. The only contact I would have had with them (the Agents in those areas) was when we were all in the Springfield Office as we all worked on our own."

EBERHART asked me if I recalled any investigation conducted by the Alton Resident Agency concerning JAMES EARL RAY. I answered, "I wouldn't know what the others were doing on the investigation unless I had a specific lead to handle myself. I don't recall any, to tell you the truth."

EBERHART asked me if I had any knowledge of anyone in the Bureau having been in contact with JAMES EARL RAY before the assassination. I said, "I can't help you there. I don't know of any investigation that was conducted by any of the other parties involved or any of them coming in contact with anyone connected therewith. Just at a complete loss when it comes to that, I'm sorry."

EBERHART asked me if I came into contact with or had done any investigation concerning the bank robbery of the Bank of Alton, Alton, Illinois, in July of 1967. I repeated, "The bank robbery of the Bank of Alton in July of 1967? No sir, I don't recall anything about it. I don't even recall the robbery. It was way south of me. I may have handled some leads on it, but I don't recall it."

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ATTENTION: CONGRESSIONAL INQUIRY UNIT, RECORDS MANAGEMENT DIV.

HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS (HSCA); BUDED: SEPT. 26, 1978.

REBUTEL, SEPT. 19, 1978.

NEW ORLEANS FILE 157-15157 RELATING TO THE CITIZENS COUNCIL OF AMERICA, DOES NOT CONTAIN ANY INFORMATION FOR THE YEARS 1967 - 1968.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (62-117290)
 (ATTN: CONGRESSIONAL INQUIRY UNIT,
 RECORDS MANAGEMENT DIVISION)

FROM: *RK* SAC, ST. LOUIS (62-5097)

SUBJECT: *RP* HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE
ON ASSASSINATIONS
 BUDED: 9/21/78

Re Bureau teletype dated 9/14/78 and Bureau telephone call on 9/18/78.

Enclosed herewith are xerox copies of all serials (total of 7) in St. Louis file captioned "INTERFERENCE BY ACTION WITH VEILED PROPHET PARADE, ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI, 10/2/65; RACIAL MATTERS, SL file 157-1513". It is noted that Serial 2 of this file is an LHM dated 10/4/65 which refers to a release on page 2 of the LHM. That release is not completely legible and, accordingly, there is also enclosed a typed copy of that release.

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Also enclosed are xerox copies (total of 12) of all serials in file captioned "DEMONSTRATION BY ACTION AT VEILED PROPHET BALL, 10/6/67, AND PARADE, 10/7/67, ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI, RACIAL MATTERS, BUfile 157-6-42, SL file 157-5823. *SEP 27 1978*

St. Louis indices contain no information concerning the Veiled Prophet. The only such references are to the Veiled Prophet Ball, (SL 157-1513) and the Veiled Prophet Parade and Ball. (SL 157-5823)

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St. Louis files contain no rosters of Agents assigned to the office for the years 1967, 1968, and 1974 nor support personnel for the year 1974. At the request of the Bureau, a compilation of such information from data available to the St. Louis Office has been made and, noting that this compilation may not be all inclusive, there is enclosed 4 lists titled as follows: "Special Agents Assigned to the St. Louis Field Office During the Calendar Year 1967", "Special Agents Assigned to the St. Louis Field Office During the Calendar Year 1968", "Special Agents Assigned to the St. Louis Field Office During the Calendar Year 1974", and "Support Personnel Assigned to the St. Louis Field Office During the Calendar Year 1974".

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
 (Attn: Congressional Inquiry Unit, Records Management Division)

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (62-7841) (RUC) (1)

SUBJECT: HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS (HSCA)

Re Bureau teletype to Los Angeles dated 9/19/78.

Enclosed for the Bureau are two copies each of 18 documents concerning the Citizens Council of America for the years 1967 and 1968. It should be noted that several of the documents concern information obtained from confidential sources and the identity of these confidential sources should be protected. The information which originated from confidential sources has been packaged and labeled as such by Los Angeles in order to assist FBI Headquarters.

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TO DIRECTOR (62-117290) PRIORITY

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ATTENTION CONGRESSIONAL INQUIRY UNIT, RECORDS MANAGEMENT DIVISION.

HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS (HSCA). BUDED

SEPTEMBER 26, 1978.

RE BUREAU TELETYPE TO BIRMINGHAM ET AL, SEPTEMBER 19, 1978.

REFERENCED TELETYPE ADVISED THAT HSCA REQUESTED ACCESS TO ALL BUREAU FILE MATERIAL AS WELL AS MATERIAL FROM THE FIELD OFFICES OF BIRMINGHAM, JACKSON, ATLANTA, NEW ORLEANS & LOS ANGELES, ON THE CITIZENS COUNCIL OF AMERICA (CCA) FOR THE YEARS 1967 - 1968. IT WAS NOTED THAT CCA WAS SEPARATE FROM THE WHITE CITIZENS COUNCIL. RECIPIENT OFFICES WERE SEP 27 1978 TO FURNISH TWO COPIES OF ANY COMMUNICATIONS MEETING THIS CRITERIA.

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ATTN: CONGRESSIONAL INQUIRY UNIT

HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS (HSCA)

BUDED SEPT. 26, 1978

RE BUREAU TELETYPE TO MEMPHIS DATED SEPT. 19, 1978.

A SEARCH OF RETRIEVABLE INFORMATION AT THE MEMPHIS OFFICE AND INQUIRIES MADE WITH PERSONNEL WHO ARE NOW ASSIGNED TO THE MEMPHIS OFFICE AND WERE SO ASSIGNED DURING MARCH-APRIL, 1968, FAILED TO IDENTIFY ANY FBI PERSONNEL NOT ASSIGNED TO THE MEMPHIS OFFICE WHO WERE IN SHELBY COUNTY, TENN., DURING PERIOD MARCH 16, 1968, THROUGH APRIL 4, 1968. THIS SEARCH ALSO FAILED TO REVEAL ANY MATERIALS OR COMMUNICATIONS GENERATED BY FBI PERSONNEL NOT ASSIGNED TO THE MEMPHIS OFFICE DURING THIS PERIOD.

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FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

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

September 28, 1978

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Attn: Mr. Heller
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HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS
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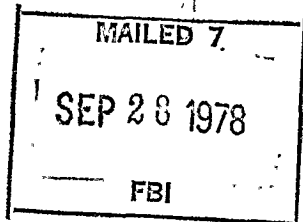
Reference is made to the letter to the Attorney General from G. Robert Blakey, Chief Counsel and Director, HSCA, dated September 22, 1978, which, in connection with the HSCA's investigation into the assassination of Martin Luther King, Jr., requested delivery of certain material from Chicago Field Office file 44-1114.

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

Enclosures (2)

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NOTE: HSCA request of September 22, 1978, requested delivery of material which had previously been prepared for access per HSCA request dated July 28, 1977.



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This is to confirm that delivery of 44-1114, Sub G, Serial 2, and 44-1114, Sub H, Serials 3 and 17, was made to HSCA Staff Member Phoebe Orr on September 22, 1978.

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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 September 28, 1978, captioned as above.

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Select Committee on Assassinations

U.S. House of Representatives

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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 L. Keuch
Deputy Assistant Attorney General
Criminal Division, Room 2113

Dear Mr. Attorney General:

In connection with its investigation into the circumstances surrounding the death of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., the Select Committee requests the assistance of the Federal Bureau of Investigation with regard to the following matter:

Prepare for delivery the following serials:

Chicago Field Office File 44-1114:

Sub G, Serial 2
Sub H, Section 1, Serial 3
Sub H, Section 1, Serial 17

Your prompt attention to this matter is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

G. Robert Blakey

G. Robert Blakey
Chief Counsel and Director

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xc: Mr. Ron Heller

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REBUTEL TO ST. LOUIS AND SPRINGFIELD DATED AUGUST 4, 1978, ENTITLED "JERRY RAY; POSSIBLE OOJ."

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ALSO REBUTEL TO ST. LOUIS, SPRINGFIELD AND KANSAS CITY DATED AUGUST 4, 1978, ENTITLED "JERRY RAY; NELSON STONEY, AKA; UNSUB, AKA; BANK ROBBERY SUSPECTS."

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ON SEPTEMBER 27, 1978, THE DIRECTOR RECEIVED A LETTER FROM G. ROBERT BLAKEY, CHIEF COUNSEL AND DIRECTOR OF CAPTIONED

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INFORMATION TO THE COMMITTEE.

THE NECESSARY BACKGROUND INFORMATION CONCERNING THIS MATTER WILL BE FOUND IN THE REFERENCED TELETYPES.

SACS ST. LOUIS, SPRINGFIELD AND KANSAS CITY ARE REQUESTED TO INTERVIEW ANY SPECIAL AGENTS WHO HAD ACCESS TO THE INFORMATION FURNISHED IN REFERENCED TELETYPES AS TO ANY MEDIA CONTACTS REGARDING THIS INFORMATION. ANY EMPLOYEE HAVING SUCH CONTACT WITH THE MEDIA CONCERNING THIS INFORMATION IS TO FURNISH AN AFFIDAVIT AS TO THE DETAILS OF THE CONTACT.

SACS ST. LOUIS AND SPRINGFIELD ARE REQUESTED TO HAVE AFFIDAVITS SUBMITTED BY THE SPECIAL AGENTS WHO CONTACTED OLIVER PATTERSON AND CLARENCE HAYNES REGARDING ANY CONTACT WITH MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES. THESE AFFIDAVITS SHOULD ALSO COVER WHETHER DURING THE INTERVIEW WITH PATTERSON AND HAYNES THE COMMITTEE WAS IDENTIFIED AS THE SOURCE OF THIS INFORMATION. THE INTERVIEWING AGENTS ARE ALSO REQUESTED TO COMMENT ON WHETHER PATTERSON'S NAME WAS MENTIONED AS ALSO BEING IN DANGER DURING THE INTERVIEW WITH HAYNES AND DURING THE INTERVIEW OF PATTERSON WHETHER HAYNES' NAME WAS MENTIONED. IF SO, REASON FOR DOING SHOULD BE FURNISHED.

IT IS TO BE NOTED THAT THE COMMITTEE ADVISED PATTERSON THAT

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THE BUREAU WOULD CONTACT HIM PRIOR TO HIS CONTACT BY THE
INTERVIEWING SPECIAL AGENTS. THESE INTERVIEWS ARE TO BE GIVEN
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ANY QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS MATTER ARE TO BE HANDLED
TELEPHONICALLY WITH SA GEORGE KEENAN, CRIMINAL INVESTIGA-
TIVE DIVISION, EXTENSION 4195.

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NOTE: THIS INQUIRY HAS BEEN COORDINATED WITH ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR ADAMS,
THE CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION AND THE RECORDS MANAGEMENT
DIVISION.

Assistant Attorney General
Criminal Division

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

October 2, 1978

Attention: Mr. Robert L. Keuch
Director, FBI

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

HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS
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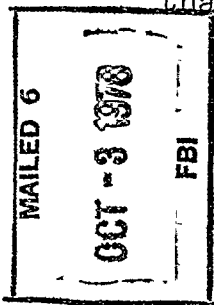
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Enclosed are an original and one copy of a memorandum responding to the above request. It is requested that you furnish a copy of the enclosed memorandum to the HSCA.

Enclosures (2)

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NOTE: Request regarding original Piedmont Laundry Slip was coordinated with Ronald Heller, Legal Liaison Unit, who advised that the HSCA requested that aforesaid Slip be available during the King public hearings in November in the event that a question arises over the authenticity of said document.



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Reference is made to letter to the Attorney General from G. Robert Blakey, Chief Counsel and Director, HSCA, dated September 8, 1978, which, in connection with the HSCA's investigation into the assassination of Martin Luther King, Jr., requested certain information in FBI files.

With respect to Item 1, material regarding Charles Parris, date of birth March 7, 1931, and Charles Parris, date of birth May 7, 1948, is available for review at FBI Headquarters (FBIHQ).

With respect to Item 2, FBIHQ files and St. Louis Field Office files contain no information regarding a St. Louis organization named the Veiled Prophet. However, references concerning a Veiled Prophet Ball and/or Parade in Bureau files and St. Louis Field Office files are available for review at FBIHQ.

With respect to Item 3, the original Piedmont Laundry Slip has been forwarded to FBIHQ from Atlanta Field Office and is being retained in the Congressional Inquiry Unit therein until arrangements for its possible utilization materialize.

With respect to Item 4, on September 18, 1978, HSCA representative Gerald Hamilton advised that with respect to said item, it should be modified to include non-Agent personnel (support) with St. Louis Field Office for the year 1974. St. Louis Field Office files contain no rosters of Agents assigned to the office for the years 1967, 1968 and 1974, nor support personnel for the year 1974. A compilation of such information from data available to the St. Louis Field Office has been made and, noting that this compilation may not be all inclusive, the following 4 lists are being made available:

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RCB:pfm (6) 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 October 2, 1978, captioned as above.

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SPECIAL AGENTS ASSIGNED TO THE ST. LOUIS
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THOMAS J. GEARTY (Special Agent in Charge)
EDWARD J. KRUPINSKY (Assistant Special Agent in Charge)
EDMUND C. WELTON
GEORGE M. PEET
CLETIS B. BIDEWELL
WILLIAM K. BOCK (retired, effective 8/25/67)
PATRICK W. BRADLEY
EARL E. BROWN
JOHN J. BUCKLEY
LOUIS F. CAPUTO
HAROLD R. DOBSON
KENNETH N. DELANOY
JAMES A. DUFFEY
JACK J. FISHER
KELLY E. GIBBONS
WILLIAM G. HARRY (resigned, effective 11/9/67)
WALTER A. HILGENDORF
RICHARD T. HRADSKY
S. T. JOHNSON
WALTER C. JOHNSON
HARRY C. JUNG
HOWARD C. KENNEDY
JAMES E. LINDSAY
J. ROBERT MEIGS
EDWARD M. MORELAND
DONALD R. NORIE
AUBREY D. PARK
SPURGEON J. PETERSON
DOUGLAS ROSENBERGER
ALBERT J. RUSHING
CLARK S. SMITH (departed 6/13/67, transferred to Seattle)
BAILEY M. STANFIELD (resigned, effective 12/29/67)
ROBERT S. STEWART
JAMES A. TALLEY (retired, effective 6/16/67)
FRANKLIN J. WALLS (departed 6/17/67, transferred to San Diego)
ROBERT J. WILKISON
KENNETH A. WILLIAMS
WILLIAM R. BURTON
JACK A. FRENCH
ROBERT A. HESS
THOMAS JOHN DONOHUE (departed 6/7/67, transferred to Columbia)
RALPH J. ESPOSITO (departed 8/19/67, transferred to WFO)
A. JAMES FISHER (departed 9/2/67, transferred to Dallas)
JEROME S. MURPHY (departed 5/8/67, transferred to Indianapolis)
JAMES M. PAIGE (departed 11/17/67, transferred to Detroit)
PHIL K. WALTER (departed 12/20/67, transferred to Sacramento)

SPECIAL AGENTS ASSIGNED TO THE ST. LOUIS
FIELD OFFICE DURING THE CALENDAR YEAR 1967
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JOHN K. ROSS (departed 1/4/67, transferred to Boston)
PAUL D. GIAMANCO (resigned, effective 3/18/67)
BERNARD W. CASHDOLLAR (retired, effective 3/24/67)
ALLEN H. SMITH (retired, effective 3/24/67)
GERALD J. WOLTEMADE (departed 3/31/67, transferred to Memphis)
TOM E. CHAPOTON, JR. (departed 4/6/67, transferred to San Antonio)
MELVIN E. DE GRAW (arrived 4/24/67, transfer-in)
WILLIAM R. DUNCAN (arrived 5/15/67, transfer-in)
HOWARD G. SLACK (arrived 5/24/67, transfer-in)
WILLIAM H. WARFIELD (arrived 5/24/67, transfer-in)
THOMAS L. BUCKLEY (arrival date unknown, transfer-in)
WALDEN L. GREEN (departed 7/3/67, transferred to Dallas)
MARVIN R. DORAN (arrived 6/19/67, transfer-in)
MARTIN JOHN WEBER (arrived 7/24/67, transfer-in)
JAMES T. DEARBORN (arrived 10/5/67, transfer-in)
LAWRENCE B. CURTIN (arrived 10/19/67, transfer-in)
PETER J. STANKOSKI (arrived 10/30/67, transfer-in)
ALAN E. MC ELWAIN (arrived 12/1/67, transfer-in)
JOHN O. TRETHEWEY, JR. (arrived 12/9/67, transfer-in)
JOSEPH A. DUBYAK (arrived 12/27/67, transfer-in)
MICHAEL M. WILLIAMSON (arrived 12/27/67, transfer-in)

SPECIAL AGENTS ASSIGNED TO THE ST. LOUIS
FIELD OFFICE DURING THE CALENDAR YEAR 1968

JOSEPH H. GAMBLE (Special Agent in Charge: arrived 8/19/68,
transfer-in)
THOMAS J. GEARTY (Special Agent in Charge: retired,
effective 8/26/68)
EDWARD J. KRUPINSKY (Assistant Special Agent in Charge)
EDMUND C. WELTON
GEORGE M. PEET
ROBERT L. BENDER
CLETIS B. BIDEWELL
PATRICK W. BRADLEY
EARL. E. BROWN (resigned, effective 7/12/68)
JOHN J. BUCKLEY
LOUIS F. CAPUTO
KENNETH N. DELANOY
HAROLD R. DOBSON
MARVIN R. DORAN
WILLIAM R. DUNCAN
JAMES A. DUFFEY
JACK J. FISHER (resigned, effective 6/28/68)
KELLY E. GIBBONS
RICHARD T. HRADSKY
S. T. JOHNSON
WALTER C. JOHNSON
JAMES E. LINDSAY
J. ROBERT MEIGS
EDWARD M. MORELAND
DONALD R. NORIE
AUBREY D. PARK
SPURGEON J. PETERSON
DOUGLAS ROSENBERGER
ALBERT J. RUSHING (resigned, effective 7/5/68)
RICHARD BOYD SMITH
ROBERT S. STEWART
ROBERT J. WILKISON
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FIELD OFFICE DURING THE CALENDAR YEAR 1968
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ALAN E. MC ELWAIN
HOWARD G. SLACK
JOHN O. TRETHEWEY, JR.
WILLIAM H. WARFIELD (departed 7/10/68, transferred to Los Angeles)
PEMBROKE WASHINGTON
MARTIN JOHN WEBER
F. JACK WILLIAMS
MICHAEL M. WILLIAMSON
PETER J. STANKOSKI (resigned, effective 1/24/68)
DEAN R. SHUMWAY (reappointed, effective 3/6/68)
JOHN M. DUNAY (arrived 7/3/68, transfer-in)
LEO T. CONNOLLY (arrived 8/6/68, transfer-in)
LEO R. MORRIS (arrived 8/2/68, transfer-in)
ROBERT L. COLEMAN (arrived 11/25/68, transfer-in)
JOHN S. WILLIS (arrived 11/26/68, transfer-in)
HARRY C. JUNG
HOWARD C. KENNEDY
THOMAS L. BUCKLEY
WALTER A. HILGENDORF (retired, effective 2/28/68)

SPECIAL AGENTS ASSIGNED TO THE ST. LOUIS
FIELD OFFICE DURING THE CALENDAR YEAR 1974

WESLEY T. WHALEY (Special Agent in Charge)
ROBERT J. MC CARTHY (Assistant Special Agent in Charge)
ROBERT L. BENDER
LOUIS F. CAPUTO
JACK A. FRENCH
WILLIAM R. BURTON
C. JAMES CHRISTY
LEONARD V. DAHL
DONALD S. DE FONCE
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DOUGLAS A. DUNNAM
JOSEPH T. FOX, JR.
JOHN R. HAWKEN
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EDWARD M. MORELAND
AUBREY D. PARK
MARVIN R. PENNINGTON
DOUGLAS ROSENBERGER
JAMES E. SNIEGOCKI (departed 11/21/74, transferred to Louisville)
ROBERT S. STEWART
ROBERT J. WILKISON
DAVID F. CUNNINGHAM
JOHN M. DUNAY
JAMES T. HAGGERTY
JOSIAH L. HUGHES
JAMES R. LUMMUS
DEAN R. SHUMWAY (departed 11/8/74, transferred to Milwaukee)
MARTIN JOHN WEBER
F. JACK WILLIAMS
WILLIAM J. AHLER, JR.
LARRY B. BEAN
BENJAMIN L. CAGLE
JOHN N. CAMPBELL
MICHAEL S. CLAPP
MICHAEL E. CROWLEY
WILLIAM A. DEAL
MARSHALL P. GORHAM
JOHN C. HALL
RICHARD W. HERMAN

SPECIAL AGENTS ASSIGNED TO THE ST. LOUIS
FIELD OFFICE DURING THE CALENDAR YEAR 1974
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KEVIN R. ILLIA
BARRY A. JONES
REGINALD J. JOSEPH
STEPHEN D. KETTNER
THOMAS T. KUBIC
JAN A. LINDSEY
GEORGE A. MILLER
JEFFREY D. MOSS
MICHAEL N. MURPHY
HERMAN S. NICHOLS
RUSSEL JAY NIELSEN
RONALD W. PARKER
THOMAS R. PARKER
JAMES J. REINAGEL (died 8/6/74)
PAUL E. RITZ
ALLAN J. ROGERS
CARL A. SCHULTZ
JOHN W. STRICKLAND, JR.
PETER B. SYMONDS
T. RICHARD O. VAN MATRE
WARREN B. WYMAN
LEON J. CANTIN (departed 8/27/74, transferred to Minneapolis)
PHILIP GRIVAS
STEPHEN M. LARGENT
ROBERT J. LA VERE (departed 10/12/74, transferred to New York Office)
JEFFREY A. MEYER
DOUGLAS B. MOKE (departed 7/1/74, transferred to New York Office)
MICHAEL E. NEZ
RICHARD W. RITTER
IVIAN C. SMITH
MICHAEL E. STAPLETON
MARSHALL C. WELDY
THOMAS F. WESTBERG
S. T. JOHNSON
KENNETH A. WILLIAMS
JOSEPH E. GERBER (arrived 1/9/74, transfer-in)
GEORGE E. BLOUNT (departed 1/14/74, transferred to San Francisco)
LARRY D. CORDELL (departed 1/19/74, transferred to Detroit)
JOSEPH T. WOODALL (departed 1/2/74, transferred to Washington Field
CLAUDE H. HILDRETH (departed 1/30/74, transferred to Los Angeles) Office)
DONALD H. TAYLOR (arrived 3/11/74, transfer-in)
MICHAEL J. IRWIN (resigned, effective 2/8/74)
JOANNE E. PIERCE (departed 2/22/74, transferred to Pittsburgh)
LEON RAY FUTRELL, JR. (departed 3/4/74, transferred to Chicago)

SPECIAL AGENTS ASSIGNED TO THE ST. LOUIS
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JOSEPH G. A. GLOVER (departed 2/28/74, transferred to Chicago)
FLOYD W. RATLIFF, JR. (arrived 4/22/74, transfer-in)
HERBERT NORTHCUTT, JR. (arrived 7/15/74, transfer-in)
DONNA LYN PRICE (arrived 10/21/74, transfer-in)

SUPPORT PERSONNEL ASSIGNED TO THE ST. LOUIS
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KEITH D. CONWAY
RICHARD P. BUTTON
JOSEPH N. HURST
SHIRLEY E. GEISLER
MARK C. NIPPER
WILLIAM J. EBERT
JOSEPH O. ELDER, JR.
GLORIA M. FRIGO
ROBERT IVAN HARSH
GEORGE T. JENKINS
NORMA L. NELSON
LENORE H. CAMPBELL
MICHAEL L. HOLT
ANTHONY E. MEADOWS (reinstated March 25, 1974)
JOHN L. SINGLETON
DAVID R. SKELTON
KAREN L. BUB
JOAN T. CLAUS
TERRY LEE COFF
WILLIAM R. FARHAT
JEAN ANN GOEBEL
ROSEMARY C. GRUBB
BRUCE G. HORSFALL
VIRGIL JOHNSON, JR.
BEVERLY A. KAIMAN
PEGGY R. KERNER
ANN THERESE LA VERE (departed October 12, 1974, transferred to
New York Office)
MARY JEAN LENTZ
SHARON M. SEDOVIC
VICKI L. SIMPSON
WANDA B. SUKOVSKY
PAMELA DIANNE PIERCE
JANET E. TUCKER
SHIRLEY F. WAGNER
CHRISTINE A. WANGLER
CAROL S. KLEMME (departed July 5, 1974, transferred to Belleville,
Illinois, Resident Agency)
GREGORY J. DIFANI
KATHERINE M. FRIGO
JANICE M. GODEFROID
LOIS ANN JOHNSON

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ETHEL LEE MIX
DIANE M. NEWBY
TERRY JOHN OLLIGES
JOYCE L. RUDD
CHARLES F. SCHALLER
GLORIA A. SHIDLER (entered on duty, January 7, 1974)
DIXIE L. SLAZINIK (departed October 5, 1974, transferred to Springfield)
KATHLEEN M. THOMAS
DEBORAH LYNN VOELKER (entered on duty, March 25, 1974)
MARSHA K. BARGE
BOBBIE JEAN BLUM
LYNDA J. BUCHER (entered on duty September 30, 1974)
PAMELA C. BAKER (entered on duty September 30, 1974)
CONSTANCE M. ANTOFF (entered on duty October 21, 1974)
ROBERT J. FARHAT (entered on duty June 23, 1974)
JOHN M. HOCHSTATTER
CYNTHIA A. KRIER (resigned March 29, 1974; reinstated July 1, 1974)
LINDA L. SCHWARTZ (entered on duty, March 18, 1974)
MARY ANN TUCKER
VIRGIL D. WOOLLEY, JR. (entered on duty March 4, 1974)
M. SUSAN MURABITO
MARY CLAIRE KORTE
JUDITH M. STEWART (resigned February 1, 1974)
MARSHA K. HALLEMANN (entered on duty March 18, 1974)
LINDA S. LINDSEY (resigned August 2, 1974)
MARY LOU LAGEMANN (resigned August 21, 1974)
JANIE LEE WARD (arrived December 2, 1974, transferred in)
KATHLEEN A. MC HUGH (entered on duty November 25, 1974)

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

This letter completes response to the HSCA letter of September 8, 1978.

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Select Committee on Assassinations

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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20515

September 8, 1978

Mr. Busch

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

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

Dear Mr. Attorney General:

In connection with the investigation by this Committee into the circumstances surrounding the death of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. the assistance of the Federal Bureau of Investigation is requested in regard to the following matters:

- 1) Prepare for delivery Identification Division Records and all BUFILE material on:
 - a) Charles Parris, dob 3/07/31 *serial 91a being processed*
FBI Number 46-45-6A
 - b) Charles Parris, dob 5/07/48 *done*
Jefferson County Louisiana Police Department #26333
- 2) Prepare for access all available references and files, BUFILE and Field Office, on a St. Louis Organization named the Veiled Prophet. *TT ant*
- 3) Make delivery (on a loan basis) the original Piedmont Laundry Slip, which is believed to be in the possession of the Atlanta Field Office. *TT ant* *AT 44-2386-1A 28*
- 4) Make access available to any rosters of agents for the St. Louis Field Office for the years 1967, 1968 and 1974. *TT ant* *ARMY, RECID, JAL*

As time is of the utmost importance your prompt attention to this matter is greatly appreciated.

Yours very truly,

G. Robert Blakey

G. Robert Blakey
Chief Counsel and Director

GRB:ghh

xc: Ron Heller

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

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

October 11, 1978

1 - Legal Counsel Div.
(Attn: Mr. Heller)
1 - Mr. Ryan
1 - Mr. Foster

HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS
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Reference is made to the letter to the Attorney General from G. Robert Blakey, Chief Counsel and Director, HSCA, dated August 23, 1978, and the memorandum, in partial response thereto, dated September 14, 1978, which dealt with five (5) items pertaining to the HSCA's investigation into the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

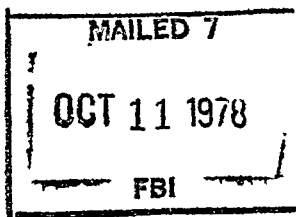
Enclosed are an original and one copy of a memorandum in response to above-referenced letter. It is requested that delivery of one copy of the memorandum be made to the HSCA.

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NOTE: In Item 2 of above-referenced letter, the HSCA requested the Jackson file regarding Burgess Audie Wilson and his allegations pertaining to the MURKIN case. The HSCA amended the request to ask for access only to the FBI Headquarters (FBIHQ) file regarding this matter. As the investigation into Wilson's allegations is being filed in FBIHQ MURKIN file to which access is provided as new material is filed, the Committee is being advised that the Wilson material is not being separated from the other MURKIN serials.

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1 - Legal Counsel Div.
(Attn: Mr. Heller)
1 - Mr. Ryan
1 - Mr. Foster

October 11, 1978

HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS
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This memorandum is to advise that the material concerning Burgess Audie Wilson is being filed in the FBI Headquarters (FBIHQ) MURKIN file to which the Committee is already being provided access as new material becomes available. To avoid duplicity, no effort will be made to cull this information from the FBIHQ MURKIN file.

This memorandum completes the response to the HSCA letter of August 23, 1978.

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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 October 11, 1978, captioned as above.

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Memorandum

TO : HAROLD A. BASSETT
Assistant Director
Administrative Services Division

DATE: 10/4/78

FROM : Legal Counsel *[Signature]*

SUBJECT: HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE
ON ASSASSINATIONS (HSCA)

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PURPOSE:

The purpose of this memorandum is to advise of the request made by captioned Committee that former supervisors Theron D. Rushing and Joseph G. Deegan and Unit Chief Thomas J. Deakin (Press Office, FBIHQ) be released from their employment agreement in order to be interviewed by captioned Committee in connection with the death of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

DETAILS:

By letter dated 9/22/78 (copy attached), G. Robert Blakey, Chief Counsel and Director of captioned Committee, requested that Theron D. Rushing (former supervisor, FBIHQ - listed by the Committee as Ted Rushing), Joseph G. Deegan (former Section Chief, FBIHQ) and Unit Chief Thomas J. Deakin (Press Office, FBIHQ) be made available for staff interview concerning their investigation into the death of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

The above present and former employees, prior to being interviewed by the Committee staff, will be contacted by a representative of the Legal Counsel Division who will advise them that they have been released from their employment agreement and will provide them with a briefing as to the scope and limitations of the interview.

Enclosure
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- 1 - Mr. Bassett
- 1 - Mr. Foster
- 1 - Personnel file of Theron D. Rushing
- 1 - Personnel file of Joseph G. Deegan
- 1 - Personnel file of Thomas J. Deakin
- 1 - Mr. Mintz
- 2 - Mr. Coulson
- 1 - Mr. Heller

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None. For information.

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Attorney General of the United States
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Washington, D. C. 20430

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

Dear Mr. Attorney General:

In connection with the ongoing investigation by the Committee into the circumstances surrounding the death of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., the assistance of the Federal Bureau of Investigation is requested in regard to the following matters:

- 1) Make available for staff interview the following Special Agents:
 - a. Ted Rushing
 - b. Joseph G. Deegan
 - c. Thomas J. Deakin
- 2) Prepare for access any and all BUFILE and Field Office material on an individual named Leander Perez, Sr., who resided in Plaquemines Parrish, Louisiana.

By memorandum to the HSCA dated February 13, 1978, the FBI responded and advised that their records indicated that Frank Raval Legis, neither served nor is presently serving as a Special Agent. In continuance of that request, January 24, 1978, the Committee would appreciate the FBI conducting the appropriate records check to determine whether Frank R. Legis; Frank Raul Legis; Frank Lee Legis; or Frank Raoul Legis is presently serving or has served the Bureau as a Special Agent.

C. C. Hughes to AD Admin Services Div 10/4/78

Original letter retained by Dept. (per SA Heller)

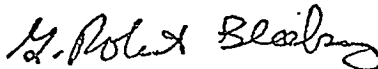
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As always your continued cooperation is greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours,



G. Robert Blakey
Chief Counsel and Director

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xc: Mr. Ron Heller

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TO : HAROLD M. BASSETT
 Assistant Director
 Administrative Services Division

DATE: 10/6/78

FROM : Legal Counsel *[Signature]*

SUBJECT: HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE
 ON ASSASSINATIONS (HSCA)

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this memorandum is to advise of the request made by captioned Committee that former Agent William John Quinn and former ASAC Clifton O. Halter be released from their employment agreement to be interviewed by captioned Committee in connection with the death of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

DETAILS:

By letter dated 9/25/78 (copy attached), G. Robert Blakey, Chief Counsel and Director of captioned Committee, requested that William John Quinn (identified as George Quinn deceased) and Clifton O. Halter (former ASAC Memphis FBI Office) be made available for staff interview concerning their investigation into the death of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Halter prior to being interviewed by the Committee staff will be contacted by a representative of the Legal Counsel Division who will advise him that he has been released from his employment agreement and will also provide him with a briefing as to the scope and limitations of the interview.

RECOMMENDATION:

None. For information.

Enclosure *[Signature]*

- 1 - Mr. Foster
- 1 - Personnel file of George Quinn
- 1 - Personnel file of Clifton O. Halter
- 1 - Mr. Mintz
- 2 - Mr. Coulson
- 1 - Mr. Heller

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Select Committee on Assassinations

U.S. House of Representatives

3331 HOUSE OFFICE BUILDING, ANNEX 2

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20515

September 25, 1978

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

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

Dear Mr. Attorney General:

In connection with the investigation by this Committee into the circumstances surrounding the death of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., the assistance of the Federal Bureau of Investigation is requested in regard to the following matters:

- 1) Prepare for delivery the following Chicago Field Office file serials: 44-1114-4043 through 4069.
- 2) Make available for staff interview, Special Agent Cliff Halter assigned to the Memphis Field Office in 1968.
- 3) Prepare for delivery on a priority basis the MURKIN serials 6177 through 6224, appearing in Section 91 of the BUFILE, identified respectively:
 - a) 1/19/77 memo (12 pages)
J.S. Peelman to Gallagher
Subject: Report of the DOJ Task Force to Review the FBI-MLK Security and Assassination Investigations.
 - b) 1/21/77 memo (10 pages)
Director FBI to Attorney General
Subject: Same
 - c) 2/2/77 memo (8 pages)
J.S. Peelman to Gallagher
Subject: Same

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d) 2/18/77 memo
Peelman to Gallagher
Subject: Same

- 4) Make available for staff interview Special Agent William J. Quinn formerly assigned to Division 6 and temporarily assigned to Division 5 at Headquarters in 1968.

As always your assistance is sincerely appreciated.

Very truly yours,

G. Robert Blakey

G. Robert Blakey
Chief Counsel and Director

GRB:ghh

xc: Mr. Ron Heller

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FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

Honorable Griffin B. Bell
U. S. Attorney General
Department of Justice
10th and Pennsylvania Avenue, NW.
Washington, D.C. 20535

Attention: Judge William H. Webster
Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation
Room 7162

Dear Mr. Attorney General:

On August 2, 1978, I as Chief Counsel for the Committee along with Michael Eberhardt, Assistant Deputy Chief Counsel, met with Special Agents Ron Heller and James D. Carey in order to apprise the FBI of a matter of extreme sensitivity which involved possible physical endangerment to two Committee witnesses, Oliver B. Patterson and Clarence Haynes.

During the meeting of August 2, 1978, the FBI was advised that a Committee source close to both Mark Lane, the current attorney for James Earl Ray, and Jerry Ray, brother of James Earl Ray, had learned that both Lane and Jerry Ray were aware of a confidential relationship between Oliver Patterson and the Committee. The same source also learned that Clarence Haynes was regarded by at least Jerry Ray to be in the same posture. The FBI was further told that the Committee information indicated possible physical harm to Patterson and Haynes by Jerry Ray, and because of such information the Committee felt an obligation to have each of them warned of the danger.* The FBI was advised however that in view of the fact that the information had come from a confidential source for the Committee that it was absolutely necessary that neither Patterson nor Haynes learn that

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*/ Also related to the FBI from the same Committee source was information that Jerry Ray and others were planning a bank robbery in the St. Louis area. The treatment and handling of this information is not the subject of this letter however.

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the Committee had originally provided this information. As a result of the discussion on this subject amongst those present at the August 2nd meeting, it was understood that the FBI would make arrangements to have agents advise Patterson and Haynes of the possible endangerment to them without any indication that the Committee was the ultimate source of the information. We are advised by Mr. Heller that indeed the FBI directive to the field on this matter expressly stated that the Committee should not under any circumstances be divulged as the source of these threats.

The Committee has received information however that the FBI did not act responsibly in the treatment or dissemination of this matter and that as a result the identity of a Committee source may have been compromised. Specifically, Mr. Patterson, who has independently exposed his relationship with the Committee recently and has aligned himself with Jerry Ray, alleges that during the course of the warning provided to him by FBI agents in St. Louis he was advised that Clarence Haynes had a similar possible security problem and that the Committee was the source of the information which suggested possible harm to him. The conveyance of the information that Haynes was also endangered not only unnecessarily provided Patterson with information for which he had no need but it also potentially identified the Committee source in question since the information about possible harm to both Patterson and Haynes was unique to a single conversation attended by only the Committee source and one other person. However, the gravity of this problem has been magnified substantially if, as Patterson alleges, he was in fact also told that the information conveyed to him had come from the Committee. While given the circumstances I might normally consider Patterson's claims to be indicative of an attempt on his part to identify other Committee sources on behalf of Jerry Ray instead of a truthful account of his FBI interview, such is not the apparent case. I have been independently advised by trusted acquaintances in the media that the FBI in Washington, D.C. has leaked similar information indicating that the Committee was the initial source of the information that Patterson's life might be in jeopardy. I have also been told that the FBI regarded this information as frivolous.

If any of the allegations received via Patterson or the media are in fact true then I would strongly suggest that serious errors in professional judgment have occurred -- so serious as to warrant disciplinary actions against any individual responsible for what would appear to be a fundamental disregard for not only the security of a Committee source but also of the very trust placed by this Committee in the FBI when this information was imparted to it. Ironically, this Committee has operated reluctantly under

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less than satisfactory arrangements in order to get access to FBI informant information without disclosure of informant identity. Despite the respect by this Committee for FBI protection of its sources, it would appear that the allegations contained in this letter, if true, indicate a less than mutual respect by the FBI.

It is therefore requested that the FBI conduct an investigation to ascertain if Patterson was advised that the Committee was the source of the information related to him and that Haynes was also endangered. It is requested that the FBI provide the Committee with copies of all documents, directives and interview reports which bear on the determination of this matter. Similarly, it is requested that the appropriate FBI personnel in Washington be interviewed to ascertain if information concerning Patterson was improperly related to members of the media and that all documents, directives, and interview reports on this matter also be provided to the Committee.

In view of the seriousness of this matter it is suggested that it be handled on an expedited basis. Futhermore, in light of the sensitivity of the matters contained herein, this document should be classified and handled in a manner to preclude future access by the public through the Freedom of Information Act or any other means.

Sincerely,

G. Robert Blakey

G. Robert Blakey
Chief Counsel and Director

cc: Ron Heller

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HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS {HSCA}

BUREAU DEADLINE OCTOBER 13, 1978.

CAPTIONED COMMITTEE IS CURRENTLY CONDUCTING INVESTIGATION
INTO THE ASSASSINATIONS OF JOHN F. KENNEDY AND MARTIN LUTHER
KING, JR.IN CONNECTION WITH THE KING INVESTIGATION, BY LETTER
DATED SEPTEMBER 22, 1978, THE HSCA REQUESTED ACCESS TO ALL
MATERIAL AT FBI HEADQUARTERS {FBIHQ} AND IN THE FIELD, REGARDING
LEANDER PEREZ, SR., WHO RESIDED IN PLAQUEMINES PARRISH
LOUISIANA. ON SEPTEMBER 29, 1978, AN HSCA REPRESENTATIVE
MODIFIED THIS REQUEST, STATING THAT ONLY INFORMATION FROM
JANUARY 1, 1965, TO PRESENT IS NEEDED REGARDING PEREZ.

FBIHQ INDICES DISCLOSED NUMEROUS REFERENCES TO PEREZ.

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NEW ORLEANS CONDUCT SEARCH FOR ALL RETRIEVABLE INFORMATION
CONCERNING PEREZ FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 1965, TO PRESENT.
REPRODUCE ONE LEGIBLE COPY OF EACH MAIN FILE AND REFERENCE.
FORWARD MATERIAL TO FBIHQ, ATTENTION: CONGRESSIONAL INQUIRY
UNIT, RECORDS MANAGEMENT DIVISION, BY OCTOBER 13, 1978.

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NOTE: HSCA representative who modified request was Mark Speiser.
Deadline is necessary to expedite processing of information
in response to this request.

1 J. McDermott
1 A. Mintz
1 N. Bassett
1- Mr. G. J. Foster
(Attn: J. Aldhizer)
1 - Mr. D. Ryan

Room 5425
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C. 20535
September 28, 1978

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

Griffin B. Bell
Attorney General
U. S. Department of Justice
Washington, D. C. 20530

Dear General Bell:

I have been advised today that in the immediate future I will be asked to appear before the staff of the House Select Committee on Assassinations (HSCA) to be deposed relating to my knowledge of FBI counterintelligence programs and the security investigation of the late Martin Luther King, Jr. Earlier this year I was interviewed extensively by staff members of this Committee and I found them prone to discuss areas of extreme national security sensitivity.

I request you afford me legal counsel in connection with this appearance to depose and any additional appearances, including testimony before the Committee. I believe I need legal counsel to ensure that all my personal rights are protected and so he may negotiate relative to the matter and scope of my testimony.

ST-128 62-117290-1231
Mr. Jack B. Solerwitz, Esquire, 170 Old Country Road, Mineola, Long Island, New York 11501, (516) 742-4300, has previously represented me in legal matters arising out of my employment with the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Mr. Alan Wolin, Esquire, of Mr. Solerwitz's firm, has been specifically assigned to assist me in connection with prior testimony relating to my employment. It is my understanding both Mr. Solerwitz and Mr. Wolin have been afforded clearance for access up to "Top Secret" by the Department because of their representation of other Agents, as well as myself, in regard to matters involving

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The Attorney General

national security. I desire that both Mr. Solerwitz and Mr. Wolin be afforded the same clearance in regard to their representation of me in this matter. I would appreciate your reimbursing me for the cost of their legal services.

Sincerely,

David Ryan

1 - Mr. Jack B. Solerwitz
170 Old Country Road
Mineola, Long Island, NY 11501

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Memorandum

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATIONTO : Mr. Bassett *HNB/p*

DATE: 9/28/78

FROM : D. Ryan *DR*

1 - Mr. J. J. McDermott

1 - Mr. J. A. Mintz

1 - Mr. H. N. Bassett

1 - Mr. G. J. Foster
(Attn: J. Aldhizer)1 - Mr. D. Ryan *DR*SUBJECT: HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE
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PURPOSE: To request Legal Counsel Division furnish to the Department the attached letter requesting legal counsel be provided by the Department of Justice to me in connection with my future appearance before the staff of the House Select Committee on Assassinations (HSCA) to depose, and as relates to any future testimony or appearances before this Committee.

DETAILS: On 9/28/78, I was advised that Mr. Kenneth McHargh of the staff of the HSCA had advised a representative of this Bureau that in the next two to three weeks I would be requested to depose before the Committee relating to my knowledge of the Martin Luther King, Jr., security investigation and FBI Cointelpros. I have prepared a letter to the Attorney General (copy attached) requesting I be furnished legal counsel in connection with any appearances or testimony before this Committee by the Department of Justice. As I have an attorney, Mr. Jack B. Solerwitz, already representing me in other matters relating to my FBI employment, it is my desire this attorney and his assistant, Alan Wolin, be approved to represent me and be recompensated for their services by the Department.

Mr. Solerwitz and Mr. Wolin have been afforded "Top Secret" clearances by the Department in connection with their representation of other FBI Agents and myself, respectively. I request that they also be cleared to represent me in this matter, as in an interview with the staff of this Committee earlier this year, national security matters of extreme sensitivity were raised.

RECOMMENDATION: That this memorandum with the enclosed original letter for the Attorney General be routed to Legal Counsel Division so the letter may be referred to the Department.

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TO FBI ST. LOUIS ROUTINE

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HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS (HSCA)

HSCA, BY LETTER DATED OCTOBER 20, 1978, HAS REQUESTED THAT ST. LOUIS AND HEADQUARTERS INFORMANT FILES FOR RUSSELL GEORGE BYERS BE PROVIDED. REASON FOR HSCA INTEREST LIES IN RECENT DISCOVERY BY ST. LOUIS OFFICE OF MEMORANDUM IN FILE OF SL 3167-C WHICH REPORTED MEETING BETWEEN INFORMANT AND BYERS DURING WHICH BYERS TOLD INFORMANT OF OFFER MADE TO HIM TO KILL DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. HSCA ALLEGEDLY HAS INTERVIEWED BYERS ON OCTOBER 16, 1978, CONCERNING THIS MATTER AND REFERENCED LETTER STATES BYERS "ADVISED THAT HE HAD PREVIOUSLY PROVIDED INFORMATION TO THE FBI ON A CONFIDENTIAL BASIS", HOWEVER, HE WOULD NOT PROVIDE COMMITTEE WITH WAIVER FOR RELEASE OF HIS INFORMANT FILES.

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- 1 - LEGAL COUNSEL DIVISION
{ATTN: MR. HELLER}
- 1 - CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION
{ATTN: MR. JAMAR}
- 1 - MR. BASSETT
- 1 - MR. RYAN
- 1 - MR. FOSTER

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HSCA ALLEGES FURTHER THAT DESPITE ABSENCE OF BYERS'

AUTHORIZATION, THAT HIS ADMISSION OF HIS RELATIONSHIP WITH THE
FBI ELIMINATES NEED TO PROTECT THE CONFIDENTIALITY OF THE
INFORMATION FURNISHED. ADDITIONALLY, HSCA STATES BYERS'
INFORMANT STATUS "RAISES SOME SERIOUS QUESTIONS CONCERNING THE
INVOLVEMENT OF AT LEAST AN FBI INFORMANT IN A CONSPIRACY TO
KILL DR. KING."

FBI HEADQUARTERS {FBIHQ} IS IN POSSESSION OF A COPY OF
BYERS' ST. LOUIS INFORMANT FILE {SL 137-16541} WHICH REFLECTS
BYERS BEING OPENED OCTOBER 3, 1975, AND CLOSED BY LETTER
TO FBIHQ, NOVEMBER, 22, 1976, HAVING FURNISHED INFORMATION ONLY
ON GENERAL CRIMINAL MATTERS. AS SUCH, HSCA'S REQUEST FOR THIS
FILE IS CONSIDERED OUTSIDE SCOPE OF THEIR INQUIRY; HOWEVER,
THIS POSITION CANNOT BE PROMULGATED UNTIL ST. LOUIS OFFICE
PROVIDES ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REGARDING BYERS AND HIS
RELATIONSHIP WITH THE FBI.

ST. LOUIS OFFICE IS REQUESTED TO CONTACT RUSSELL GEORGE
BYERS AND ASCERTAIN FROM HIM THE FOLLOWING:

{1} HAS HE BEEN INTERVIEWED BY THE HSCA?

{2} DID HE REVEAL HIS PAST CONFIDENTIAL RELATIONSHIP

DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES

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WITH THE FBI?

{3} IF HE DID REVEAL HIS CONFIDENTIAL RELATIONSHIP,
SPECIFICALLY WHAT INFORMATION DID HE TELL HSCA HE FURNISHED THE
FBI?

{4} THE REASONS FOR REFUSING AUTHORIZATION FOR HSCA TO
REVIEW HIS INFORMANT FILES.

{5} PLACES HE HAS RESIDED DURING PERIOD OF 1967 TO THE
PRESENT.

BYERS SHOULD NOT BE APPRISED OF COMMITTEE'S REQUEST TO
REVIEW HIS INFORMANT FILES, NOR SHOULD HE BE ASKED ANY OTHER
QUESTIONS THAN THOSE LISTED ABOVE.

IN ORDER TO FURTHER REBUT HSCA ALLEGATION, ST. LOUIS IS
REQUESTED TO ASCERTAIN THROUGH APPROPRIATE INDICES SEARCH, FILE
REVIEW, AND OTHER APPROPRIATE MEANS, WHETHER BYERS, PRIOR
TO BEING FORMALLY OPENED AS SL 3567-PC, FURNISHED ANY INFOR-
MATION TO THE FBI. SUTEL RESULTS OF CONTACT WITH BYERS AND
ST. LOUIS FILE REVIEW TO FBIHQ, ATTENTION: CONGRESSIONAL
INQUIRY UNIT, RECORDS MANAGEMENT DIVISION.

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HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS (HSCA)

NOTE: In referenced letter, HSCA refers to individual who had told St. Louis informant of offer made to him to kill Dr. King. This individual is Russell George Byers. All information concerning this matter, including the excised St. Louis and FBIHQ files on the informant; all information on Russell George Byers excluding Byers' informant file; and all information regarding the misfiling of that information in the St. Louis Office, has been previously furnished the HSCA by memoranda dated 3/13/78, 3/20/78, 6/9/78, 8/7/78, 8/23/78, and 9/28/78.

HSCA alleges in their letter that during interview of Byers, he admitted his informant status; however, he would not authorize the release of his informant files to the HSCA. HSCA alleges also that his informant status raises questions regarding involvement of an FBI informant in a conspiracy to kill King. In discussion between members of Congressional Inquiry Unit, Records Management Division; SA's Ron Heller and D. O. Coulson, Legal Counsel Division; and Mr. Bob Keuch, Special Counsel to the Attorney General, it was decided that this request is outside the scope of HSCA's inquiry as Byers was not opened as informant until seven years after King's assassination; however, St. Louis is being requested to ascertain whether Byers had any prior contact with the FBI, as well as whether he admitted his relationship with the Bureau and his reasons for refusing to authorize the release of his file to the HSCA. This is being requested to provide basis for discussion with HSCA regarding ultimate disposition of referenced request.

On 10/30/78, SAC Roy B. Klager, Jr., St. Louis, was telephonically advised of the contents of this teletype. SAC Klager advised that he wished to go on record that he did not want to place his Agents in a position of checking up on the HSCA or influencing a Committee witness. He was advised that contacting an informant and verifying oral or written waivers is done solely to protect the informant and the information he confidentially furnished, and not to influence a Committee witness. SAC Klager stated that if he had any additional questions upon receipt of Bureau teletype, he would contact FBIHQ.

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FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

October 11, 1978

TO BE HAND DELIVERED

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

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

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Dear Mr. Attorney General:

In connection with the investigation by this Committee into the circumstances surrounding the death of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., the assistance of the Federal Bureau of Investigation is requested to prepared for delivery the following materials:

- 1) Memorandum, Rosen to DeLoach; 5/9/68, caption "MURKIN". (Referenced at bottom of Headquarters MURKIN File Serial 44-38861-3509.
- 2) Memorandum, Director to Attorney General, 6/11/68; caption: Electronic Surveillances.
- 3) Memorandum, Brennan to Sullivan, 6/10/68; caption: Electronic Surveillance (Referenced at bottom of Item "2" above). This request is limited to that portion of the memo dealing with the MURKIN investigation.
- 4) Memorandum, Casper to Mohr, 5/10/68: (Legal analysis of proposed electronic surveillance on properties of Albert and Carol Pepper.)

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As time is of the utmost importance your prompt attention to this matter is greatly appreciated.

Yours very truly,

62-117290

G. Robert Blakey

OCT 25 1978

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

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

October 12, 1978

1 - Legal Counsel Division
Attn: Mr. Heller
1 - Mr. Ryan
1 - Mr. Foster

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

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 September 25, 1978, which requested, in connection with the HSCA's investigation into the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., that delivery be made of certain Chicago Field Office and FBI Headquarters MURKIN serials, and that two FBI Special Agents be made available for interview.

Enclosed are an original and one copy of a memorandum in response to above-referenced letter. It is requested that a copy of the memorandum be delivered to the HSCA.

Enclosures (2)

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NOTE: Gerald Hamilton, Staff Member, HSCA, advised that in Item 1 of above-referenced letter, that as there are only 826 serials in that Chicago file, a mistake had been made in requesting serials 4043-4069 and, therefore, this request should be ignored.

Hamilton stated, on 10/11/78, that the four serials requested in Item 3 would be picked up on this date and they should not be transmitted as an attachment to this letter.

On 10/10/78, SA Ron Heller, Legal Counsel Division, advised that former SA Clifton O. Halter had been released from his employment agreement. SA Halter had been previously advised on 10/6/78, of the Committee's interest in his being made available for interview. The HSCA has been provided with SA Halter's telephone number of (203) 453-5054.

In Item 4, the HSCA requested SA William J. Quinn be made available for interview. This name was determined to be incorrect. It was determined that the Committee meant SA George M. Quinn. SA Quinn died of a heart attack on 10/8/73.

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1 - Legal Counsel Division
Attn: Mr. Heller
1 - Mr. Ryan
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October 12, 1978

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 September 25, 1978, which requested, in connection with the HSCA's investigation into the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., that delivery be made of certain Chicago Field Office and FBI Headquarters (FBIHQ) MURKIN serials, and that two FBI Special Agents be made available for interview.

This memorandum is to confirm a conversation between Gerald Hamilton, HSCA, and Special Agent Tron W. Brekke, Congressional Inquiry Unit (CIU), concerning the above-mentioned items requested by the HSCA.

Per the instructions of Mr. Hamilton, no further attempt is being made to locate the Chicago Field Office MURKIN file serials (Item 1).

Mr. Hamilton was advised that former Special Agent Clifton O. Halter has been cleared from his employment agreement and is available for interview by the Committee (Item 2). Arrangements for this interview can be made by contacting representatives of the CIU and Legal Liaison and Congressional Affairs Unit, FBIHQ.

As requested by Mr. Hamilton, the four selected FBIHQ MURKIN serials (Item 3) are not being included with this memorandum but are available to be picked up by a representative of the HSCA.

With respect to Item 4, Mr. Hamilton was advised that the Special Agent that they wanted to interview was George H. Quinn not William J. Quinn, as indicated; however, Special Agent George H. Quinn died of a heart attack on October 8, 1973.

This memorandum completes the response to above-referenced HSCA letter.

TWB:pfm (6) ORIGINAL AND ONE SENT TO ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL, CRIMINAL DIVISION, ATTENTION: MR. ROBERT L. KEUCH.

SEE NOTE PAGE TWO. . .

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HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS
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NOTE: See Director, FBI letter to Assistant Attorney General,
Criminal Division, Attention: Mr. Robert L. Keuch, dated
October 12, 1978, captioned as above.

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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20515

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

October 6, 1978

C

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

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

Dear Mr. Attorney General:

In connection with the investigation being conducted by this Committee into the circumstances surrounding the death of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., the assistance of the Federal Bureau of Investigation is requested in regard to the following:

- 1) Prepare for delivery, the two letters referenced in paragraph one of the attached Headquarters memoranda.
- 6*

As time is extremely crucial, your prompt attention is solicited.

Very truly yours,

G. Robert Blakey

G. Robert Blakey
Chief Counsel and Director

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Memorandum to Mr. Bassett

RE: HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS (HSCA)

FBIHQ, advised that last name was "Beyers"; however, it has been determined that the correct spelling is "Byers."

No active FBI investigation into the information located by the St. Louis Office regarding Byers and his possible connection with the MURKIN case has been undertaken pursuant to the policy set forth in Director, FBI, letter to the Attorney General, dated 4/28/77, and confirmed by letter from Robert L. Keuch, Special Counsel to the Attorney General, to Director, FBI, dated 8/3/77. As set forth therein, without a specific request from the Department, the FBI is not to further investigate any allegations regarding the King or John F. Kennedy assassinations. No request has been received from the Department regarding this matter.

The St. Louis Office, by teletype dated 3/23/78, furnished details of [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] The Department had been previously advised that he had furnished information of value to this Bureau in our letter of 3/24/78. A copy of the previously mentioned contact memorandum had been [REDACTED] however, there was no indication that he was ever questioned concerning this information.

The HSCA requested, by letter dated 6/5/78, all files pertaining to Russell George Beyers. A search conducted at FBIHQ located only one ITSP reference, of which the Committee was advised by memorandum of 6/9/78. Subsequently, a search conducted using the last name of "Byers" resulted [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] This search also resulted in two ITSMV file references pertaining to Byers.

By letter dated 7/4/78, the HSCA requested that the Bureau contact the St. Louis informant [REDACTED] who initially furnished the information regarding Byers to determine if (1) he would agree to submit to interview by the HSCA, and (2) whether he would execute a waiver allowing for release of his informant file to the Committee. The St. Louis Office telephonically advised that this informant was closed in May, 1975, and he has since moved to [REDACTED] By Bureau teletype dated 7/25/78,

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October 6, 1978

The Honorable Griffin B. Bell
Attorney General of the United States
Department of Justice
Washington, D. C. 20350

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

Dear Mr. Attorney General:

In connection with the investigation by this Committee into the circumstances surrounding the death of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., the assistance of the Federal Bureau of Investigation is requested in regard to the following matters:

- 1) Make available for Staff interview Special Agents John C. Menton and Thomas Kitchen.

Additionally, it would be appreciated if the FBI would prepare a written statement as to the policies and procedures applicable for the years 1962 through 1968 pertaining to death threats reported to the Bureau concerning a) citizens, in general, and b) threats reported pertaining specifically to Dr. King. Further, the Committee would like to have furnished, copies of any paperwork or communication supporting the Bureau's position, policy, etc. pertaining to death threats for the years enumerated above.

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As always, your prompt attention is greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours, 23 OCT 16 1978

G. Robert Blakey

G. Robert Blakey
Chief Counsel and Director

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cc: Ron Heller
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October 12, 1978

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

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

Dear Mr. Attorney General:

By this letter our request of February 3, 1978 is modified to include the photographs of all of the agents assigned to the Atlanta Field Office, and those assigned to the security squad. The Committee understands that in addition to the requested photographs, the Federal Bureau of Investigation will include a number of photographs of Bureau or Department personnel who were not assigned to the Atlanta Field Office and that these photographs will be used as part of the Committee's photo array. The photographs the Committee receives will be identified only by a letter or other symbol, and the Committee will have a chart which corrolates the letter to the actual names. *No* photograph will be published unless that agent had been identified. If an agent or former agent is identified, the Committee would also be free to reveal his identity. All unidentified photographs would be returned to the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Your prompt attention to this matter will be greatly appreciated.

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Sincerely,

G. Robert Blakey

G. Robert Blakey

Chief Counsel and Director

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xc: Mr. Ron Heller

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

October 16, 1978

1 - Mr. Mintz
Attn: Mr. Heller
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HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS
U. S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES (HSCA)

Reference is made to letter to the Attorney General from G. Robert Blakey, Chief Counsel and Director, HSCA, dated September 12, 1978, which, in connection with the HSCA's investigation into the assassination of Martin Luther King, Jr., requested delivery of certain materials from FBI files.

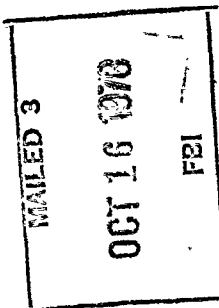
Enclosed are an original and one copy of a memorandum responding to the above request. It is requested that you furnish a copy of the enclosed memorandum to the HSCA.

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NOTE: HSCA representative Gerald Hamilton advised that limitations to the years 1967-1968 applies to Item 1 only.

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NOTE: See Director, FBI letter to Assistant Attorney General,
Criminal Division, Attention: Mr. Robert L. Keuch, dated
October 16, 1978, captioned as above.

1 - Mr. Mintz
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October 16, 1978

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

Reference is made to letter to the Attorney General from G. Robert Blakey, Chief Counsel and Director, HSCA, dated September 12, 1978, which, in connection with the HSCA's investigation into the assassination of Martin Luther King, Jr., requested delivery of certain materials from FBI files.

With respect to Item 1, Bureau file materials as well as materials from the Birmingham, Jackson and Los Angeles Field Offices for the years 1967-1968 on the Citizen's Council of America are available for review at FBI Headquarters (FBIHQ). New Orleans and Atlanta Field Offices negative with respect to material concerning Citizen's Council of America for the years 1967-1968.

With respect to Item 2, information regarding Michael Thomas Jenkins, date of birth July 13, 1950, and Arman Kaliyan, Jr., date of birth September 24, 1943, was delivered to HSCA representative Barbara Robinson on October 12, 1978.

With respect to Item 3, a search of the indices at the Memphis Field Office and inquiries made with personnel, who are now assigned to the Memphis Office and were so assigned during March-April, 1968, failed to identify any FBI personnel not assigned to the Memphis Office, who were in Shelby County, Tennessee, during the period March 16, 1968, through April 4, 1968. This search also failed to reveal any materials or communications generated by FBI personnel not assigned to the Memphis Office during this period. A similar search at FBIHQ was also negative.

With respect to Item 4, information regarding George Brusca, Jr., date of birth December 28, 1928, is available for review at FBIHQ.

Where information was not provided, it was either not retrievable from Headquarters or field office files or not provided pursuant to the Memorandum of Understanding.

RCB:pfm ORIGINAL AND ONE SENT TO ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL,
(6) CRIMINAL DIVISION, ATTENTION: MR. ROBERT L. KEUCH.

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Select Committee on Assassinations

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3331 HOUSE OFFICE BUILDING, ANNEX 2
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20515

September 12, 1978

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

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

Dear Mr. Attorney General:

In connection with the investigation by this Committee into the circumstances surrounding the death of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., the assistance of the Federal Bureau of Investigation is requested in regard to the following matters for the years 1967-1968:

- 1) Prepare for access on a priority basis all BUFILE material as well as material from the Field Offices of Birmingham, Jackson, Atlanta, New Orleans and Los Angeles on the Citizen's Council of America, 1967-1968. *also WHITE CITIZEN'S COUNCIL of America*
- 2) Prepare for delivery BUFILE and Identification Division Records on the following individuals:
- a. Michael Thomas Jenkins - dob 7/13/50
 - b. Arman Kaliyan, Jr. - dob 9/24/43
- 3) a. Provide the names of all FBI personnel, who may have been present (that is, all persons not assigned to the Memphis Field Office) in Shelby County during the period covering March 18, 1968 through April 4, 1968.
- b. Prepare for delivery any and all materials or communication generated by any such persons as discussed above.

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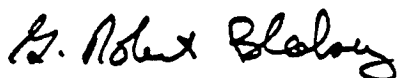
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- 4) Prepare for access any and all BUFILE and subfile material:

George Brusca, Jr. - dob 12/28/28

As always your prompt attention is greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours,



G. Robert Blakey
Chief Counsel and Director

GRB:ghh

xc: Mr. Ron Heller

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

October 20, 1978

1 - Legal Counsel Division
Attn: Mr. Heller
1 - Mr. Bailey
1 - Mr. Foster

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

Reference is made to letter to the Attorney General from G. Robert Blakey, Chief Counsel and Director, HSCA, dated September 22, 1978, which, in connection with the HSCA's investigation into the assassination of Martin Luther King, Jr., requested (a) three named Agents be made available for HSCA interview and (b) certain information from files of the FBI.

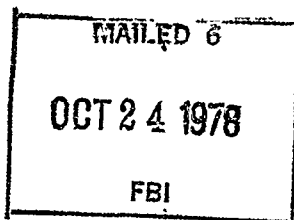
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NOTE: Agents were cleared for interview by HSCA through Legal Counsel memorandum to the Assistant Director, Administrative Services Division, dated 10/4/78. James Brazier conducted review of personnel records of Legis on 9/28/78.

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Attn: Mr. Heller
1 - Mr. Bailey
1 - Mr. Foster

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U. S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES (HSCA)

Reference is made to letter to the Attorney General from G. Robert Blakey, Chief Counsel and Director, HSCA, dated September 22, 1978, which, in connection with the HSCA's investigation into the assassination of Martin Luther King, Jr., requested (a) three named Agents be made available for HSCA interview and (b) certain information from files of the FBI.

This letter is to confirm, in response to Item 1 of referenced letter, that former Agents Theron D. Rushing, Joseph G. Deegan and Thomas J. Deakin have been cleared from their employment agreements and are available for interview by the HSCA. Arrangements for interview can be made through the Congressional Inquiry Unit, Records Management Division, FBI Headquarters (FBIHQ).

Regarding Item 2, on September 29, 1978, HSCA representative Mark Speiser advised that only information from January 1, 1965, to present concerning Leander Perez, Sr., need be processed for HSCA access. Information from files of FBIHQ in response to this request has been processed and is available for HSCA access. Where information is not provided, it is either not retrievable or is not being furnished pursuant to the Memorandum of Understanding.

With respect to field office files concerning Perez, the New Orleans Office of the FBI advised on October 10, 1978, that its files contain no retrievable information concerning Perez and that previous files on Perez have been destroyed in accordance with routine file destruction procedures.

Personnel records of FBIHQ disclosed no record of anyone with the last name Legis presently or in the past serving as a Special Agent of the FBI.

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NOTE: See Director, FBI, letter to Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, Attention: Mr. Robert L. Keuch, dated October 20, 1978, captioned as above.

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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20515

September 22, 1978

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The Honorable Griffin B. Bell
Attorney General of the United States
Department of Justice
Washington, D. C. 20430

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

Dear Mr. Attorney General:

In connection with the ongoing investigation by the Committee into the circumstances surrounding the death of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., the assistance of the Federal Bureau of Investigation is requested in regard to the following matters:

- 1) Make available for staff interview the following Special Agents:
 - a. Ted Rushing
 - b. Joseph G. Deegan
 - c. Thomas J. Deakin
- 2) Prepare for access any and all BUFILE and Field Office material on an individual named Leander Perez, Sr., who resided in Plaquemines Parrish, Louisiana.

By memorandum to the HSCA dated February 13, 1978, the FBI responded and advised that their records indicated that Frank Raval Legis, neither served nor is presently serving as a Special Agent. In continuance of that request, January 24, 1978, the Committee would appreciate the FBI conducting the the appropriate records check to determine whether Frank R. Legis; Frank Raul Legis; Frank Lee Legis; or Frank Raoul Legis is presently serving or has served the Bureau as a Special Agent.

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TO FBI KANSAS CITY ROUTINE

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HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS {HSCA}

RE KANSAS CITY TELETYPE DATED JULY 19, 1978.

REFERENCED TELETYPE ADVISED THAT KANSAS CITY FILE
137-4907 RELATING TO ALEXANDER GEORGE BEN EDMONDSON WAS

DESTROYED DURING ROUTINE FILE DESTRUCTION JANUARY 7, 1978, AND
INDICES PURGED.

BY LETTER TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL DATED OCTOBER 17, 1978,
THE HSCA REQUESTED TO BE PROVIDED WITH "A STATEMENT OF ALL THE
FACTS AND CIRCUMSTANCES, INCLUDING THE IDENTITIES OF THE AGENTS
INVOLVED, SURROUNDING THE DESTRUCTION OF THE INFORMANT FIELD
OFFICE FILE IN KANSAS CITY ON JANUARY 7, 1978."

KANSAS CITY OBTAIN ALL RETRIEVABLE DETAILS SURROUNDING
THE DESTRUCTION OF ABOVE INFORMANT FILE IN RESPONSE TO THIS

1 - MR. FOSTER
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HSCA REQUEST AND SUBMIT RESULTS BY TELETYPE, ATTENTION:

CONGRESSIONAL INQUIRY UNIT, RECORDS MANAGEMENT DIVISION, FBI

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FROM: DIRECTOR, FBI (62-117290)

TO: FBI KANSAS CITY ROUTINE

NOTE: HSCA request 6/20/78 listed known and possible associates of James Earl Ray and asked that we determine those who may have been FBI informants and learn if they would agree to interview by the HSCA. It was also requested that the files of any informant named on this list be prepared for HSCA access. Our latest information indicated Edmondson, who was on the list, was in Europe, and therefore out of contact. His FBI Headquarters file, with identity excised, was made available to the HSCA; however, his file at Kansas City was destroyed. The HSCA was advised of this destruction in our response to the 6/20/78 request.

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HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS (HSCA). BUDED 10/13/78

RE BUTEL SEPT. 29, 1978.

A SEARCH OF THE INDICES AND A REVIEW OF THE FILES OF THE
NEW ORLEANS OFFICE HAS BEEN CONDUCTED AND NO INFORMATION IDENTIFI-
FICABLE WITH LEANDER PEREZ, SR. WAS LOCATED.

NO FILE 44-2737 MENTIONED IN REFERENCED TELETYPE HAS BEEN
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The Honorable Griffin B. Bell
Attorney General of the United States
Department of Justice
Washington, D. C. 20305

Attention: Mr. Robert L. Keuch
Deputy Assistant Attorney General

Dear Mr. Attorney General:

In connection with this Committee's investigation into the death of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., I write to request that you make the name of a former Security informant available to the Committee so that the person might be interviewed in order that serious allegations involving the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the death of Dr. King may be resolved. The Committee has had access to the relevant Bureau personnel and the Headquarters and Field Office files of the informant, duly excised to protect the informant's identity; and it also conducted extensive interviews among others who are also the subject of this aspect of the Committee's investigation. What the Committee now desires is to determine if the oral testimony of the witnesses support or refute the written record as well as information obtained during previous interviews.

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The person, whose identity the Committee seeks, was associated with the Invaders, a Black militant group in Memphis, Tennessee during 1968, who were apparently involved in the violence that occurred in Memphis one week prior to Dr. King's death. He was an older person, and he had apparently been a Bureau source since 1958. As a recognized community leader, he was able to move about freely within the Black community. The Committee knows independently that in the early months of 1968, the Invaders were attempting to obtain influence in that same community, and they initially attempted to do so, in part, by approaching established organizations. They even went so far as to invite special agents of the Memphis office to meet with them early in 1968, at which time they delineated their goals and objectives. If the Bureau sought to shape the actions of these individuals in ways detrimental to Dr. King in connection

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with the counterintelligence program being waged against him, it would appear that this particular informant would have been a logical vehicle for that effort.

As you know, with respect to the King investigation, the Committee is, in effect, performing for the death of Dr. King the same function that the Warren Commission performed for the death of President Kennedy. One of the most frequent criticisms of the Warren Commission is that in attempting to resolve the issue of whether or not Lee Harvey Oswald was an FBI informant, the Commission accepted sworn affidavits from the Bureau. The Committee feels, therefore, that it would be derelict to rely on anything less than an opportunity to examine and cross-examine relevant witnesses on this crucial issue.

The Committee is not unmindful of the sensitive nature of its request. Throughout the effort to resolve this issue, the Committee has attempted to move with restraint. It was not until our field interviews with former members of the Invaders and people present in Memphis at the time of the March 28, 1968 march revealed, (1) that the Invaders were in fact a proximate cause of the violence, and (2) that it is universally believed that the Invader followers who caused the violence were paid FBI operatives, that the Committee requested access to any informant files.

By that time, the Committee had reviewed the Sanitation Strike, Invaders, King and SCLC substantive files. It had also reviewed the Memphis Police Department files, and it had interviewed its undercover operative within the Invader organization.

The Committee had initially hoped that the answers it sought could be resolved by reviewing the informants Headquarters and Field Office files. Subsequent interviews with current and former agents revealed, additionally, (1) that the Memphis Field Office had prior knowledge of the impending violence (a fact memorialized in FBI documents) and (2) members of the Invaders were observed by agents of the FBI exhorting the crowd and readying weapons from signposts (a fact testified to under oath by these agents.)

Further, while the Committee has insisted that the files of all five of the informants said by the Department of Justice to be involved with the Invaders should have been made available to its staff pursuant to the Memorandum of Understanding, it made a good faith effort to work out a compromise proposal that permitted my exclusive review of the excised files. The

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Committee has now reached a point, however, where the balance between maintaining the integrity of the Bureau's informant program and the resolution of this critical issue must be struck in favor of the Committee's receiving the identity of that one informant. A request is not being made for all five, and absent new developments, this request should resolve the outstanding issues. The burden of the Committee's mandate is largely a reflection of the desire of the American public to learn the true facts concerning the death of Dr. King. That burden is perhaps never more apparent than in connection with the issues that the Committee is now attempting to address here. The claim that an FBI/Invader connection resulted in the violence on April 28 and contributed to Dr. King's death has now received nationwide attention. It is recounted in existing literature and was broadcast nationally in a dramatic account of Dr. King's life. The Rev. Ralph Abernathy, close friend and successor of Dr. King, testified in public under oath and before Members of the Committee and the national news media, that he recalled members of the Invaders acknowledging that they had caused the violence on March 28, in return for compensation from the FBI. Indeed, an individual who was a recognized leader of the 1968 Sanitation Strike and made the invitation to Dr. King to come to Memphis, is a leading exponent of the theory that the FBI, through its informants, had a direct role in Dr. King's assassination.

Finally, the Committee's investigation has revealed that the Bureau recommended that informants be used with or without their knowledge to implement counterintelligence proposals directed against Dr. King, in 1968. With this backdrop, it is clear that the Committee has no choice but to satisfy itself concerning the events which took place in Memphis. The public interest in the death of Dr. King cannot be met by less than a full investigation. Talking with this individual is essential to the fair resolution of these most serious questions.

I would hope that it might be possible to secure the identity of this informant, either through his consent or paragraph I. B. (1) of the Memorandum of Understanding between the Department and the Committee. Nevertheless, I am authorized to inform you that the Committee is prepared to seek this information through formal process if all other avenues are of no avail.

Finally, I would note that this issue must be resolved well before the resumption of the Committee's public hearings

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in the King investigation, now scheduled to begin on November 9, 1978.

Sincerely,



G. Robert Blakey
Chief Counsel and Director

GRB:dm

cc: Ron Heller

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

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

October 19, 1978

- 1 - Legal Counsel Division
(Attn: Mr. Heller)
- 1 - Mr. Ryan
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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 October 6, 1978, which requested, in connection with the HSCA's investigation into the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., that delivery be made of two documents that were referred to in a document previously delivered to the Committee.

Enclosed are an original and one copy of a memorandum in response to above-referenced letter. It is requested that delivery of one copy of this memorandum be made to the HSCA.

Enclosures (2)

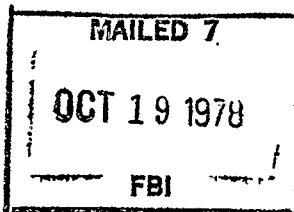
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NOTE: Referenced HSCA letter requested that two documents referred to on page 4 of Ryan to Bassett memorandum, dated 7/27/78, be furnished to the HSCA. These documents were Director, FBI, letter to the Attorney General, dated 4/28/77, and letter from Robert L. Keuch, Special Counsel to the Attorney General, to Director, FBI, dated 8/3/77, which concerned the procedure for handling newly obtained information pertaining to the King and Kennedy assassinations.

On 10/17/78, Mr. Keuch advised that he had no objection to the Congressional Inquiry Unit releasing a copy of above-referenced letter of 8/3/77 to the HSCA.

Same date, a copy of each of the letters of 4/28/77 and 8/3/77 was delivered to HSCA Staff Member Gerald Hamilton.

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This is to advise that the two documents referenced above, dated April 28, 1977, and August 3, 1977, respectively, were picked up by HSCA Staff Member Gerald Hamilton at FBI Headquarters on October 17, 1978.

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CRIMINAL DIVISION, ATTENTION: MR. ROBERT L. KEUCH.

NOTE: See Director, FBI, letter to Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, Attention: Mr. Robert L. Keuch, dated October 19, 1978, captioned as above.

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October 19, 1978

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

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

Dear Mr. Attorney General:

In connection with the investigation of the House Select Committee on Assassinations into the death of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., I write to request that you make the name of the former Security informant available to the Committee so that the person might be interviewed by the Committee in order that serious allegations involving the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the death of Dr. King may be resolved. The Committee has had access to the relevant Bureau files concerning this informant, but the files were duly excised to protect the informant's identity. The Committee now desires to interview this informant to determine if his oral testimony would support or refute the written record. In addition, the Committee would expect to obtain other information from the informant to corroborate or refute information the Committee has obtained from its other sources. (JP)

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The Committee is extremely sensitive to your concerns about preserving the confidentiality of your informants. In addition, the Committee can certainly appreciate the desire of most Security informants to remain unidentified. Should the Committee learn the identity of this informant, it will be used at the current time solely to have counsel on the staff interview and perhaps depose the informant. This would be done in the Committee's offices in Washington, D.C. and without the knowledge of any member of the public. Indeed, not

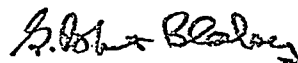
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even every member of the Committee staff will become aware of the informant's identity. The Committee is primarily interested in the information the informant may provide the Committee. The Committee has no desire to have the informant's identity needlessly publicly exposed. Absent extraordinary circumstances, the Committee would not divulge in its hearings or its final report the name of the informant.

As you are aware, the Committee has extensively pursued its investigations into the Invaders. The claim that an FBI/Invader connection contributed to Dr. King's assassination has received nationwide attention. We have held field interviews with many members of the Invaders and reviewed numerous files on them. In addition, the Committee has interviewed current and former agents of the Department and Bureau on this issue. Our Committee has been mandated to conduct a "full and complete" investigation into the assassination of Dr. King. Talking with this informant is essential to enable us to fulfill our legislative mandate, and our responsibilities to the American people. As I indicated to you, I hope it will be possible for us to secure the identity of the informant through his consent, or pursuant to Paragraph I, B. of our Memorandum of Understanding. Nevertheless, I must inform you that the Committee is prepared to seek the information through formal process if all other avenues fail. This latter alternative, in the event litigation ensued and the Committee won, might publically disclose the identity of the informant. Indeed, litigation would only attract undue attention to this issue, and the participants involved. I believe if you adequately express to the informant our sincere desire to avoid unnecessary disclosure or publicity, he will consent to his identity being disclosed and an interview with the staff.

Sincerely,



G. Robert Blakey
Chief Counsel and Director

GRB:jwh
xc: Mr. Ron Heller

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October 20, 1978

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

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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 L. Keuch
Deputy Assistant Attorney General
Criminal Division, Room 2113

Dear Mr. Attorney General:

In connection with the investigation by this Committee into the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., the FBI has previously provided, by communication dated March 13, 1978, confidential source information which indicates the identity of a person to whom an offer to kill Dr. King had been made. By FBI communication dated March 20, 1978, the identity, date of birth and FBI number of the person receiving this offer was provided to the Select Committee. By letter dated June 5, 1978, the Committee routinely requested all files pertaining to this individual. By communication dated August 7, 1978, the FBI completed its response to this request which did not originally anticipate the production of any informant files for this individual. *(9/2)*

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On October 16, 1978, however, the Select Committee re-interviewed the individual who had received the aforementioned offer to kill Dr. King and was advised that he had previously provided information to the FBI on a confidential basis. This individual has indicated that he would not provide an authorization to allow the Committee access to his FBI informant file unless the Committee assured him that he would not have to testify in the future about his receipt of an offer to kill Dr. King. The Committee has indicated that no such assurance will be made.

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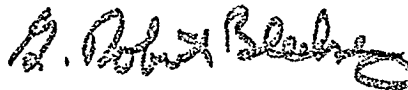
Despite the absence of a specific authorization, it is requested that the FBI Headquarters and Field Office informant files of this individual be made available to the Committee. His divulgence of a confidential relationship with the FBI not only eliminates the responsibility of the FBI to protect his identity but it also raises some serious questions concerning the involvement of at least an FBI informant in a conspiracy to kill Dr. King.

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It is requested that these materials be produced on an expedited basis.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "G. Robert Blakey". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "G." and last name "Blakey" clearly distinguishable.

G. Robert Blakey
Chief Counsel and Director

GRB:meh
xc: Mr. Ron Heller

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HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS {HSCA}

BUREAU DEADLINE OCTOBER 31, 1978.

FOR INFORMATION OF RECEIVING OFFICES, GEORGE BEN EDMONDSON ALSO KNOWN AS ALEX BORMANN, WHITE MALE, BORN AUGUST 3, 1937, WAS OPERATED AS AN INFORMANT FOR THE KANSAS CITY DIVISION DURING 1958-1959 AND WAS REOPENED FOR A BRIEF PERIOD IN 1968, {BUREAU FILE 137-7738}. EDMONDSON WAS ALSO A BUREAU TOP-TEN-FUGITIVE FROM JUNE 20, 1966, TO JUNE 28, 1967, WHEN HE WAS APPREHENDED IN QUEBEC CANADA {RETURNED TO UNITED STATES THROUGH ALBANY DIVISION}. WHILE IN PRISON, THE MISSOURI STATE

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ATTN: MR. J. J. JAMAR

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IN CONNECTION WITH ITS INVESTIGATION INTO THE ASSASSINATION OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., THE HSCA HAS BEEN INTERESTED IN THE ACTIVITIES OF EDMONDSON, WHO WAS A FELLOW INMATE OF JAMES EARL RAY PRIOR TO RAY'S ESCAPE IN 1967. THE HSCA RECENTLY LOCATED AND INTERVIEWED EDMONDSON AT ROUTE 2, WALLA WALLA, WASHINGTON. EDMONDSON FURNISHED THE COMMITTEE A SIGNED WAIVER AUTHORIZING HSCA ACCESS TO ALL MATERIAL UNDER CONTROL OF THE FBI CONCERNING HIM, INCLUDING INFORMANT OR CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE FILES.

CURRENTLY, BUREAU POLICY INVOLVING A SIGNED HSCA WAIVER OF THIS TYPE IS TO OBTAIN OUR OWN WAIVER IN ORDER TO PROTECT AGAINST CIVIL SUITS. SEATTLE SHOULD PROMPTLY INTERVIEW EDMONDSON (NOW USING THE NAME ALEX BORMANN), INFORM HIM OF RECEIPT OF THE HSCA WAIVER AND OBTAIN ANOTHER SIGNED WAIVER. THIS WAIVER SHOULD BE WORDED TO AUTHORIZE THE FBI TO RELEASE ALL INFORMATION IN ITS POSSESSION CONCERNING HIM INCLUDING THOSE RECORDS PERTAINING TO HIS CONFIDENTIAL RELATIONSHIP. THIS

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WAIVER SHOULD ALSO STATE THAT EDMONDSON UNDERSTANDS THESE FILES WILL DISCLOSE TO THE HSCA ANY CONFIDENTIAL RELATIONSHIP HE MAY HAVE HAD WITH THE FBI. SEATTLE SUBMIT TELETYPE REGARDING RESULTS OF CONTACT WITH EDMONDSON AND FORWARD WAIVER, IF OBTAINED, TO FBI HEADQUARTERS (FBIHQ) BY COVER AIRTEL.

ALL RECIPIENTS CONDUCT FILE REVIEW FOR ALL RETRIEVABLE INFORMATION CONCERNING EDMONDSON FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 1957, TO PRESENT. FURNISH FBIHQ ONE LEGIBLE COPY OF EACH FILE AND SERIAL RETRIEVED. FORWARD MATERIAL BY COVER AIRTEL TO FBIHQ, ATTENTION: CONGRESSIONAL INQUIRY UNIT, RECORDS MANAGEMENT DIVISION. IF YOUR REVIEW DETERMINES FILES CONCERNING EDMONDSON HAVE BEEN DESTROYED, FURNISH THE DATE AND BASIS OF DESTRUCTION. IN VIEW OF HSCA PUBLIC HEARINGS WHICH ARE SCHEDULED FOR EARLY NOVEMBER, 1978, THIS MATERIAL SHOULD REACH FBIHQ BY OCTOBER 31, 1978.

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HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS (HSCA)

NOTE: By letter dated 10/18/78, the HSCA submitted waiver of Edmondson and requested all information concerning him. On 10/23/78, HSCA modified this request, furnishing address of Edmondson, limiting a period from 1957 to present and specifying field offices to be checked. Through previous request, the HSCA was granted access to Edmondson's FBI Headquarters (FBIBQ) informant file, but his identity was excised. Edmondson's identity was set forth in the MURKIN file when he was interviewed as a prison inmate. Our policy concerning informants involving the HSCA was approved in Mr. Ryan to Mr. Bassett memorandum dated 6/5/78 captioned "House Select Committee on Assassinations, U. S. House of Representatives (HSCA)."

This matter has been coordinated with J. J. Jamar Top Echelon and Criminal Informant Unit, Criminal Investigative Division. Teletype confirms telephonic instructions furnished to Supervisor Dick Fleming of the Seattle Office on 10/23/78.

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TO DIRECTOR (44-38861) PRIORITY

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HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS; MURKIN.

RE JACKSON AIRTEL TO BUREAU AND MEMPHIS, APRIL 18, 1969.

FOR INFO OF BUREAU, THE ALCORN COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, CORINTH, MS., IS IN RECEIPT OF A LETTER DATED OCTOBER 10, 1978, FROM JAMES EARL RAY, IN WHICH RAY STATES THAT UNTIL "JUST RECENTLY" HE ASSUMED THAT AUTHORITIES KNEW THAT HE HAD REGISTERED IN A MOTEL IN CORINTH, MS., ON APRIL 1, 1968. IN THE LETTER, RAY REQUESTS THE ASSISTANCE OF THE ALCORN COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND ANY RECORDS THAT MAY BE AVAILABLE AT THAT DEPARTMENT TO VERIFY THAT HE AND/OR A 1966 MUSTANG BEARING ALA. LICENSE B8993, REGISTERED TO ERIC S. GALT, WAS SEEN IN CORINTH, MS., ON APRIL 1, 1968. RAY

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ATTACHED TO HIS LETTER A SKETCH OF HIS RECOLLECTION AS TO THE LOCATION OF THE MOTEL IN WHICH HE REPORTEDLY STAYED APRIL 1, 1968.

INVESTIGATION CONCERNING THE ABOVE DESCRIBED MUSTANG AUTO AND RAY AND HIS KNOWN ALIASES WAS CONDUCTED IN ALCORN COUNTY, MS., AT LOCAL MOTELS DURING THE COURSE OF INVESTIGATION IN CONNECTION WITH THE KILLING OF DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING. REFERENCED AIRTEL DISCLOSED THAT CONTACT WAS MADE WITH ALL MOTELS LOCATED IN CORINTH, MS., AND VICINITY AND NO RECORD WAS LOCATED UNDER SUBJECT'S TRUE NAME, KNOWN ALIASES AND ALABAMA LICENSE IN CONNECTION WITH CAR DRIVEN BY SUBJECT.

LHM TO INCLUDE COPY OF RAY'S OCTOBER 10, 1978, LETTER TO THE ALCORN COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT WILL BE FORWARDED TO THE BUREAU.

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Washington, D. C. 20530

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

Dear Mr. Attorney General:

The Subcommittee investigating the circumstances surrounding the death of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., has obtained authorization to examine any and all materials under the control of the Federal Bureau of Investigation pertaining to Ben Edmondson (Alex Bormann). Therefore, in accordance with the release executed by Mr. Edmondson (Alex Bormann), it is requested that the Bureau make available all BUFILES, Subfiles, and Field Office files of any nature pertaining to this individual. *(912)*

Your prompt attention is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

G. Robert Blakey

G. Robert Blakey
Chief Counsel and Director

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cc: Ron Heller

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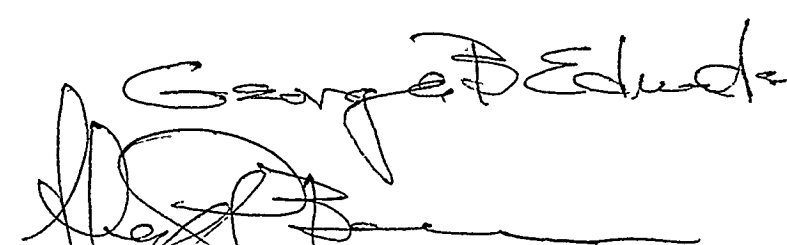
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AUTHORIZATION

I hereby authorize the House Select Committee on Assassinations to examine any and all Headquarters and Field Office files, including informant or confidential source files, maintained by the FBI as a result of information provided by me during the course of regular FBI interviews or on a confidential basis.

DATE: 13 OCT


George Ben Edmondson, Now
Known as Alex Bormann

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Date 10/24/78

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (62-117290)
 (ATTN: CONGRESSIONAL INQUIRY UNIT,
 RECORDS MANAGEMENT DIVISION)

FROM: *RK* SAC, ST. LOUIS (62-5097)

SUBJECT: *60* HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS
 (HSCA)

BUDED: 10/31/78

Re Bureau teletype to Albany, Kansas City,
 Seattle, and St. Louis dated 10/23/78.

St. Louis indices contain two references concerning
 GEORGE BEN EDMONDSON, aka ALEX BORMANN.

The first reference is on page 5 of Memphis
 teletype to Bureau and other offices dated 6/11/77 in case
 captioned "JAMES EARL RAY, aka Eric Stavro Galt, John Willard,
 Harvey Lowneyear, Harvey Lownyer - FUGITIVE; CONSPIRACY TO
 COMMIT UFAC - ESCAPE", OO: Knoxville, SL file 88-10663. One
 copy of that teletype is enclosed herewith.

The second reference in St. Louis indices is an
 index card in the name of ALEXANDER GEORGE BEN EDMONDSON,
 SL 137-4674, one copy of which is also enclosed herewith.
 A review of that indices card by experienced support personnel
 leads to the following conclusion:

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Following normal destruction procedures, when EDMONDSON's "88" file was destroyed, that number was inked out on the indices card leaving only the reference to 137-4674. Under the old file destruction program (approximately five years ago), SL file 137-4674 was destroyed and the indices card should have been purged; however, the indices card was inadvertently not destroyed.

The above described indices card has been purged from the St. Louis indices and is being maintained as an exhibit in captioned file.

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Select Committee on Assassinations

U.S. House of Representatives
3359 HOUSE OFFICE BUILDING, ANNEX 2
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20515

October 17, 1978

The Honorable Griffin B. Bell
Attorney General of the United States
Department of Justice
Washington, D. C. 20305

Attention: Mr. Robert L. Keuch
Deputy Assistant Attorney General

Dear Mr. Attorney General:

In connection with this Committee's investigation into the death of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., I write to request that you make the name of a former Security informant available to the Committee so that the person might be interviewed in order that serious allegations involving the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the death of Dr. King may be resolved. The Committee has had access to the relevant Bureau personnel and the Headquarters and Field Office files of the informant, duly excised to protect the informant's identity; and it also conducted extensive interviews among others who are also the subject of this aspect of the Committee's investigation. What the Committee now desires is to determine if the oral testimony of the witnesses support or refute the written record as well as information obtained during previous interviews.

The person, whose identity the Committee seeks, was associated with the Invaders, a Black militant group in Memphis, Tennessee during 1968, who were apparently involved in the violence that occurred in Memphis one week prior to Dr. King's death. He was an older person, and he had apparently been a Bureau source since 1958. As a recognized community leader, he was able to move about freely within the Black community. The Committee knows independently that in the early months of 1968, the Invaders were attempting to obtain influence in that same community, and they initially attempted to do so, in part, by approaching established organizations. They even went so far as to invite special agents of the Memphis office to meet with them early in 1968, at which time they delineated their goals and objectives. If the Bureau sought to shape the actions of these individuals in ways detrimental to Dr. King in connection

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with the counterintelligence program being waged against him, it would appear that this particular informant would have been a logical vehicle for that effort.

As you know, with respect to the King investigation, the Committee is, in effect, performing for the death of Dr. King the same function that the Warren Commission performed for the death of President Kennedy. One of the most frequent criticisms of the Warren Commission is that in attempting to resolve the issue of whether or not Lee Harvey Oswald was an FBI informant, the Commission accepted sworn affidavits from the Bureau. The Committee feels, therefore, that it would be derelict to rely on anything less than an opportunity to examine and cross-examine relevant witnesses on this crucial issue.

The Committee is not unmindful of the sensitive nature of its request. Throughout the effort to resolve this issue, the Committee has attempted to move with restraint. It was not until our field interviews with former members of the Invaders and people present in Memphis at the time of the March 28, 1968 march revealed, (1) that the Invaders were in fact a proximate cause of the violence, and (2) that it is universally believed that the Invader followers who caused the violence were paid FBI operatives, that the Committee requested access to any informant files.

By that time, the Committee had reviewed the Sanitation Strike, Invaders, King and SCLC substantive files. It had also reviewed the Memphis Police Department files, and it had interviewed its undercover operative within the Invader organization.

The Committee had initially hoped that the answers it sought could be resolved by reviewing the informants Headquarters and Field Office files. Subsequent interviews with current and former agents revealed, additionally, (1) that the Memphis Field Office had prior knowledge of the impending violence (a fact memorialized in FBI documents) and (2) members of the Invaders were observed by agents of the FBI exhorting the crowd and readying weapons from signposts (a fact testified to under oath by these agents.)

Further, while the Committee has insisted that the files of all five of the informants said by the Department of Justice to be involved with the Invaders should have been made available to its staff pursuant to the Memorandum of Understanding, it made a good faith effort to work out a compromise proposal that permitted my exclusive review of the excised files. The

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Committee has now reached a point, however, where the balance between maintaining the integrity of the Bureau's informant program and the resolution of this critical issue must be struck in favor of the Committee's receiving the identity of that one informant. A request is not being made for all five, and absent new developments, this request should resolve the outstanding issues. The burden of the Committee's mandate is largely a reflection of the desire of the American public to learn the true facts concerning the death of Dr. King. That burden is perhaps never more apparent than in connection with the issues that the Committee is now attempting to address here. The claim that an FBI/Invader connection resulted in the violence on April 28 and contributed to Dr. King's death has now received nationwide attention. It is recounted in existing literature and was broadcast nationally in a dramatic account of Dr. King's life. The Rev. Ralph Abernathy, close friend and successor of Dr. King, testified in public under oath and before Members of the Committee and the national news media, that he recalled members of the Invaders acknowledging that they had caused the violence on March 28, in return for compensation from the FBI. Indeed, an individual who was a recognized leader of the 1968 Sanitation Strike and made the invitation to Dr. King to come to Memphis, is a leading exponent of the theory that the FBI, through its informants, had a direct role in Dr. King's assassination.

Finally, the Committee's investigation has revealed that the Bureau recommended that informants be used with or without their knowledge to implement counterintelligence proposals directed against Dr. King, in 1968. With this backdrop, it is clear that the Committee has no choice but to satisfy itself concerning the events which took place in Memphis. The public interest in the death of Dr. King cannot be met by less than a full investigation. Talking with this individual is essential to the fair resolution of these most serious questions.

I would hope that it might be possible to secure the identity of this informant, either through his consent or paragraph I. B. (1) of the Memorandum of Understanding between the Department and the Committee. Nevertheless, I am authorized to inform you that the Committee is prepared to seek this information through formal process if all other avenues are of no avail.

Finally, I would note that this issue must be resolved well before the resumption of the Committee's public hearings

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in the King investigation, now scheduled to begin on November 9, 1978.

Sincerely,



G. Robert Blakey
Chief Counsel and Director

GRB:dm

cc: Ron Heller

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Select Committee on Assassinations

U.S. House of Representatives

3331 HOUSE OFFICE BUILDING, ANNEX 2

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20515

October 19, 1978

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10-24-78
11:19 AM

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

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

Dear Mr. Attorney General:

In connection with the investigation of the House Select Committee on Assassinations into the death of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., I write to request that you make the name of the former Security informant available to the Committee so that the person might be interviewed by the Committee in order that serious allegations involving the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the death of Dr. King may be resolved. The Committee has had access to the relevant Bureau files concerning this informant, but the files were duly excised to protect the informant's identity. The Committee now desires to interview this informant to determine if his oral testimony would support or refute the written record. In addition, the Committee would expect to obtain other information from the informant to corroborate or refute information the Committee has obtained from its other sources.

The Committee is extremely sensitive to your concerns about preserving the confidentiality of your informants. In addition, the Committee can certainly appreciate the desire of most Security informants to remain unidentified. Should the Committee learn the identity of this informant, it will be used at the current time solely to have counsel on the staff interview and perhaps depose the informant. This would be done in the Committee's offices in Washington, D.C. and without the knowledge of any member of the public. Indeed, not

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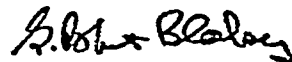
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even every member of the Committee staff will become aware of the informant's identity. The Committee is primarily interested in the information the informant may provide the Committee. The Committee has no desire to have the informant's identity needlessly publicly exposed. Absent extraordinary circumstances, the Committee would not divulge in its hearings or its final report the name of the informant.

As you are aware, the Committee has extensively pursued its investigations into the Invaders. The claim that an FBI/Invader connection contributed to Dr. King's assassination has received nationwide attention. We have held field interviews with many members of the Invaders and reviewed numerous files on them. In addition, the Committee has interviewed current and former agents of the Department and Bureau on this issue. Our Committee has been mandated to conduct a "full and complete" investigation into the assassination of Dr. King. Talking with this informant is essential to enable us to fulfill our legislative mandate, and our responsibilities to the American people. As I indicated to you, I hope it will be possible for us to secure the identity of the informant through his consent, or pursuant to Paragraph I, B. of our Memorandum of Understanding. Nevertheless, I must inform you that the Committee is prepared to seek the information through formal process if all other avenues fail. This latter alternative, in the event litigation ensued and the Committee won, might publically disclose the identity of the informant. Indeed, litigation would only attract undue attention to this issue, and the participants involved. I believe if you adequately express to the informant our sincere desire to avoid unnecessary disclosure or publicity, he will consent to his identity being disclosed and an interview with the staff.

Sincerely,



G. Robert Blakey
Chief Counsel and Director

GRB:jwh
xc: Mr. Ron Heller

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Select Committee on Assassinations

U.S. House of Representatives

3369 HOUSE OFFICE BUILDING, ANNEX 2

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20515

October 24, 1978

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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:

In connection with the investigation by this Committee into the circumstances surrounding the death of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., the assistance of the Federal Bureau of Investigation is requested in regard to the following matters:

- 1) Prepare for delivery, copies of the fingerprint cards taken during the course of the MURKIN Investigation for the following:
 - a) James Earl Ray
 - b) Gerald William Ray
 - c) John Ray
- 2) Photographic copies of the following identified by the MURKIN "Q" numbers:
 - a) Q-405 (Indian Trails payroll check)
 - b) Q-398 (Indian Trails payroll check)
- 3) Make available for telephone interview:
 - a) S.A. John L. Duffy (Racine)
 - b) S.A. Daniel E. Brant (Milwaukee)

Your prompt attention is greatly appreciated

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Sincerely,

G. Robert Blakey
Chief Counsel and Director

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GRB:ghb

cc: Ron Heller

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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20515

October 24, 1978

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FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

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:

In connection with the investigation by this Committee into the circumstances surrounding the death of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., it would be appreciated if the following information could be prepared for delivery on an expedite basis.

- 1) Cost data for the MURKIN Investigation as of April 31, 1968.
- 2) Cost data and mileage data for the MURKIN Investigation as of August 31, 1968.

As always your prompt attention is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

G. Robert Blakey

G. Robert Blakey
Chief Counsel and Director

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cc: Ron Heller

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TO : Assistant Director
 Legal Counsel

DATE: 10/25/78

FROM : Ronald Heller

SUBJECT: HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS (HSCA)

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this memorandum is to advise that former SA Joseph G. Deegan has requested authorization by the Department of Justice for legal counsel during his interview with captioned Committee.

DETAILS:

By letter dated 10/17/78 (copy attached) former SA Joseph G. Deegan requested the Assistant Attorney General, Civil Division, Department of Justice, to authorize legal representation in his forthcoming interview by captioned Committee pertaining to the FBI's investigation of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Mr. Deegan has advised that the original of the attached letter was sent directly to the Assistant Attorney General, Civil Division. *He was previously released from his Employment AGREEMENT by MEMO of 10/4/78.*

RECOMMENDATION:

None. For information.

Enclosure

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- 1 - Mr. Bassett (Enclosure)
 Attention: Mr. Foster
- 1 - Personnel File of Joseph G. Deegan (Enclosure)
- 1 - Mr. Mintz (Enclosure)
- 2 - Mr. Coulson (Enclosure)
- 1 - Mr. Heller (Enclosure)

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October 17, 1978
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Ms. Barbara Babcock
Assistant Attorney General
Civil Division
Department of Justice
Washington, D.C. 20530

Attention: Mr. Siebert

Dear Ms. Babcock:

By way of introduction, I am a retired Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigations. At the time of my retirement, I was Section Chief of the Domestic Intelligent Section at FBI Headquarters.

I have been advised by the FBI that I am listed as a witness for interview by the House Committee on Assassinations. I have been told that my interview will pertain to the FBI's investigation of Martin Luther King.

In my previous position with the FBI, I was privy to numerous memoranda written concerning the various aspects of the Martin Luther King investigation. The above memoranda included very sensitive areas such as informant operations and other matters which I do not feel free to discuss at this time. I have been given a briefing by a representative of the FBI's Legal Council Division and I am knowledgeable concerning these areas which I may or may not discuss.

However, in view of the sensitivity of the above information and especially in view of the possibilities of civil action, I am respectfully requesting that I be represented by legal council. I understand that the Department of Justice will authorize payment for the hiring of legal council. In view of this, I request your authority and naturally your authorization to hire Mr. Joseph Morrissey, who is a member of the Welsh & Morgan Law Firm, 900 17th Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20006.

Thanking you in advance for your cooperation.

Respectfully yours,

Joseph G. Deegan
Joseph G. Deegan

cc: J. Morrissey
Special Agent Ronald Heller

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October 30, 1978

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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 L. Keuch
Deputy Assistant Attorney General
Criminal Division, Room 2113

Dear Mr. Attorney General:

In connection with the investigation by the House Select Committee on Assassinations into the circumstances surrounding the death of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., I have enclosed pursuant to the agreement between the Department of Justice and this Committee, copies of those materials which may be referred to, and consequently made public during our upcoming hearings scheduled to reconvene on November 9, 1978. (9)

It would be appreciated therefore if the Department of Justice would review the enclosed, and inform the Committee at least by November 6, 1978, if there are any objections to the release of any of the information.

Thank you for your continuing cooperation.

Sincerely,

G. Robert Blakey
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Chief Counsel and Director
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xc: Mr. Ron Heller

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ATTENTION CONGRESSIONAL INQUIRY UNIT

HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS (HSCA)

REFERENCE BUREAU TELEPHONE CALL TO ATLANTA,

OCTOBER 18, 1978.

FBIHQ ADVISED IN REFERENCED TELEPHONE CALL THAT THE HSCA HAD REQUESTED THAT THE BUREAU FURNISH THE NAMES OF ALL THE SPECIAL AGENTS (SA'S) WHO WERE ASSIGNED TO HEADQUARTERS OF THE ATLANTA FBI OFFICE FROM JANUARY 1, 1967, THROUGH APRIL, 1968.

AS A RESULT OF THE ABOVE, ATLANTA CHECKED THE ATLANTA PERSONNEL ADDRESS LISTS COVERING THE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 1967, THROUGH APRIL 30, 1968; AND THE FOLLOWING SA'S WERE NOTED AS BEING ASSIGNED TO THE ATLANTA OFFICE DURING THAT PERIOD:

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THE WORD ASTERISK WAS USED TO INDICATE THE NAMES OF ATLANTA HEADQUARTERS SA'S WHO HAD BEEN ASSIGNED TO THE ATLANTA SECURITY SQUAD (NUMBER THREE SQUAD) DURING THE PERIOD JANUARY, 1967, TO APRIL, 1968. SOME OF THESE

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

October 31, 1978

- 1 - Mr. Mintz
Attn: Mr. Heller
- 1 - Administrative Services
Division
(Attn: Mr. E. H. Woodby)
- 1 - Mr. Bassett
- 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 October 24, 1978, which, in connection with the HSCA's investigation into the assassination of Martin Luther King, Jr., requested certain cost data information from files of FBI Headquarters.

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

Enclosures (2)

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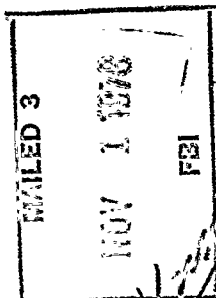
NOTE: Cost data information from Administrative Services Division was furnished by Section Chief E. H. Woodby, Budget and Accounting Section.

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- 1 - Mr. Mintz
Attn: Mr. Heller
- 1 - Administrative Services Division
(Attn: Mr. E. H. Woodby)
- 1 - Mr. Bassett
- 1 - Mr. Foster

October 31, 1978

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Reference is made to the letter to the Attorney General from G. Robert Blakely, Chief Counsel and Director, HSCA, dated October 24, 1978, which, in connection with the HSCA's investigation into the assassination of Martin Luther King, Jr., (MURKIN) requested certain cost data information from files of FBI Headquarters.

Information contained in an internal administrative folder of cost figures collected during the MURKIN investigation and maintained in the Budget and Accounting Section, Administrative Services Division, reviewed October 24, 1978, disclosed the following: Cost data for the MURKIN investigation as of April 30, 1968, was \$781,403; Cost data for the MURKIN investigation as of August 31, 1968, was \$1,278,898; and mileage data for the MURKIN investigation as of August 31, 1968, was 476,950 miles.

The above information was orally provided HSCA Staff Member Thomas Sacco on October 25, 1978.

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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 October 31, 1978, captioned as above.

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October 24, 1978

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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:

In connection with the investigation by this Committee into the circumstances surrounding the death of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., it would be appreciated if the following information could be prepared for delivery on an expedite basis.

- 1) Cost data for the MURKIN Investigation as of April 31, 1968.
- 2) Cost data and mileage data for the MURKIN Investigation as of August 31, 1968.

As always your prompt attention is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

G. Robert Blakey

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Chief Counsel and Director

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cc: Ron Heller

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