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

FROM: SAC, ATLANTA (66-2242)

HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON
ASSASSINATIONS (HSCA)
BUDED 3/3/78

Re Bureau airtel to Atlanta, Birmingham, Chicago, Cincinnati, and Louisville, 2/16/78.

Enclosed for the Bureau is one xerox copy each of 193 Atlanta logs and communications relative to captioned matter.

Referenced Bureau airtel pointed out that the HSCA was currently conducting investigation into the assassination of President JOHN F. KENNEDY and MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. In connection with the KING matter, the HSCA had been advised that the National States Rights Party (NSRP), JESSE B. STONER, and Dr. EDWARD FIELDS, were subjects of electronic surveillance (Elsur) by the FBI. The HSCA, by letter dated 2/8/78, requested access to FBI materials pertaining to the Elsurs of these subjects during the period 1956 to 1965.

The Bureau airtel went on that appropriate records at FBI Headquarters were checked and disclosed that JESSE B. STONER had been the subject of a telephone surveillance by the Atlanta Office from 10/10/63 to 2/18/64, at 100½ Hunter Street, Atlanta, Georgia. This coverage was also in connection with the Bapbom case and the Elsur was assigned the symbol numbers, AT 1377-S* and AT 1378-S*.

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The Bureau requested that Atlanta review pertinent indices and investigative files regarding the above mentioned Elsur on STONER and to retrieve all material pertaining to the authorization, installation and removal of this Elsur, plus all communications, logs, and transcripts which contain Elsur results. One legible copy of these items was to be furnished to the Bureau.

Atlanta has reviewed appropriate files in connection with this matter and as requested by the Bureau, one xerox copy of each of the following serials is being furnished to FBI Headquarters:

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Atlanta noted in conducting this review, that a few of the original Elsur logs had several entries made with a light blue ink and as a result, these entries were somewhat faint on the xerox copies. Efforts to improve the quality of these particular copies of the Elsur logs were unsuccessful as the light blue ink does not copy well.

It is noted that Atlanta has placed a three by five card as a flag on the serials listed below, namely:

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as these serials had information in various paragraphs, that by its nature, identified a former confidential source of the Atlanta Office and this information should be deleted prior to being furnished to the HSCA. These three by five card flags set forth the appropriate paragraphs that should be deleted in these serials.

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1 - Mr. Long - Enc.
1 - Mr. Foster - Enc.
1 - Mr. Mintz - Enc.
2 - Mr. Coulson - Enc.

The Deputy Attorney General

March 8, 1978

Director, FBI

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS

In accordance with Attorney General Order 116-56, this memorandum advises that Special Agent Coleman D. Geary, III was interviewed on February 22, 1978. A memorandum setting forth Mr. Geary's account of this interview is enclosed for your information.

Enclosure - Orig & attached Birmingham memo dated 3/27/78

1 - Assistant Attorney General - Enclosure
Criminal Division
Attn: Robert Keuch

1 - Personnel file - Coleman D. Geary, III - Enclosure

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

FROM: SAC, BIRMINGHAM (66-2280) (C)

HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE
ON ASSASSINATION (HSCA)

Enclosed for the Bureau are four copies of an LHM setting forth interview of SA COLEMAN D. GEARY, III of the Birmingham Office on 2/22/78, with MICHAEL EBERHARDT and PETER BEESON, Staff Members, HSCA, Washington, D. C.

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Attn. Mr. Robert L. Keuch
1-Congressional Inquiry
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

Birmingham, Alabama
February 27, 1978

HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE
ON ASSASSINATION (HSCA)

On February 22, 1978, Coleman D. Geary, III, Special Agent, assigned to the Birmingham, Alabama, office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), was interviewed by Michael Eberhardt and Peter Beeson, staff members of HSCA, in their office located at 3rd and D Street, Southwest, Washington, D. C.

The following matters were discussed generally:

Agent Geary's bureau service and assignments in the Birmingham Office since 1956; spere of influence, membership and propensity for violence of Klan organizations, National States Rights Party, white citizens councils, black militant groups in existence during the 1950's and 1960's; any type of threats known by Special Agent Geary to be made against civil rights leader Martin Luther King during the period of time in the late 1950's and 1960's, when he was active in civil rights movement in Alabama and in the south; policies of the FBI concerning canvassing sources and informants prior to and during the period of time civil rights leaders were traveling in Alabama and in the south in the 1950's and 1960's; the extent of dissemination of any pertinent information obtained through these canvasses of sources and informants; J. B. Stoner's involvement with the National States Rights Party and Klan organizations, and his involvement in bombings in the south in the 1950's and 1960's, as well as information as to any national or foreign contacts with individuals or similar-type groups as mentioned above, he may have had during this period of time.

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

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)(2)

RE: HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE
ON ASSASSINATION

Re telephone call of J. T. ALDHIZER to Los Angeles, 2/8/78.

Enclosed for the Bureau are two copies each of three serials from Los Angeles file 44-1574. These serials are as follows: Serial 1957, serial 1843, and serial 1282.

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1 - Mr. Foster
1 - Legal Counsel Division
(Attn: Mr. Coulson)
3/3/78

FM DIRECTOR (62-]]2790)

TO ATLANTA

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HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS (HSCA).

REBUTELCAL TO ATLANTA MARCH 2,]978.

HSCA BY LETTER DATED FEBRUARY 3,]978, REQUESTED FBI PROVIDE THE COMMITTEE WITH PHOTOGRAPHS OF ALL ATLANTA AGENTS ASSIGNED TO THE SECURITY INVESTIGATION ON DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., DURING THE PERIOD]967-]968.

DURING RETELCAL IT WAS EXPLAINED TO SA PERRY, ATLANTA DIVISION, THAT REQUEST INTERPRETED TO INCLUDE ALL ATLANTA AGENTS ACTIVELY ENGAGED IN THE SECURITY INVESTIGATION OF KING DURING PERIOD IN QUESTION. AT PRESENT TIME LEGAL COUNSEL DIVISION IS NEGOTIATING WITH HSCA OVER PROPOSED USE OF PHOTOGRAPHS.

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ATLANTA REQUESTED TO FURNISH BUREAU WITH LIST OF ALL

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ATLANTA AGENTS ASSIGNED TO KING'S SECURITY INVESTIGATION

AS STATED ABOVE BY COB MARCH 8, 1978. SUTEL.

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NOTE: On 3/2/78, SA Coulson, Legal Counsel Division, advised use of above photographs is still under negotiation with HSCA. Coulson stated that photographs should be of all Atlanta Agents actively engaged in the security investigation of King.

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House

Select Committee on Assassinations
U.S. House of Representatives
3331 HOUSE OFFICE BUILDING, ANNEX 2
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20515

Rec: CW 2/28/78 at 10:07am; delivered by HSCA staffer Wendy Collins

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT FEB 28 1978

HAND DELIVER

FBI

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

CW

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 and death of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., it is requested that the Federal Bureau of Investigation make available all materials, records and files on the following groups, as defined by the time periods and areas indicated:

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1) United Klans of America
2) White Citizens' Council
3) Minutemen
4) Liberty Lobby
5) Black Panthers
6) Black Muslims
7) American Nazi Party
8) The Sword
9) The Fiery Cross
10) The White Camelia
11) The Silver Dollar Group
12) Forever White
13) Constitution Party

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Each of the above groups, with the exception of the Constitution Party, (item #13) should be prepared for access as follows:

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Items #1 through #12 - in Birmingham, Alabama - January - June 1963.

Items #1 through #12 - in St. Augustine, Florida - January - June 1964.

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Items #1 through #12 - in the State of Mississippi - March - September 1964.

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Items #1 through #12 - in the State of Alabama - January - June 1965.

Items #1 through #12 - in Chicago, Illinois - January - March 1966.

Item #13 (1967 through 1968) in:
Birmingham, Alabama
Los Angeles, California
Chicago, Illinois
St. Louis, Missouri
New Orleans, Louisiana
Atlanta, Georgia
Memphis, Tennessee
Miami, Florida

Additionally, it is requested that the Bureau prepare for delivery on a priority basis:

All reports pertaining to the special investigation into racial bombing in the Birmingham, Alabama area. The investigations were headed by Inspector Roy Moore, circa 1963.

Finally, it is requested that the following agents be made available for interviews:

Leonard C. Peterson
Francis J. McCarron
John Lee Dawson
James W. Sammon
Vincent T. K. Stacey
(All of the above were apparently assigned to the Miami Field Office in the early 60's).

Your prompt attention to these matters is appreciated.

Very truly yours,

G. Robert Blakey

G. Robert Blakey
Chief Counsel and Director

GRB:ghj
cc: Mr. Danny O. Coulson

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FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

CJ

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

Dear Mr. Attorney General:

In connection with the investigation by this Committee into the death of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., it is requested that the FBI provide the Committee with a copy of the following materials on an expedite basis:

1. Serial 122, Section 4, References on J. B. Stoner
2. Copies of the Thunderbolt monthly magazine for April, May, June, July and October 1968.

Your prompt attention to these matters will be greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours,

G. Robert Blakey

G. Robert Blakey
Chief Counsel and Director

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cc: Danny O. Coulson

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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 death of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., it is requested that the FBI deliver to the Committee all previously requested material in the Southern Christian Leadership file, the King security file and the COINTELPRO file as such pertains to Dr. King. (See our prior requests dated November 30, 1977 and January 30, 1978).

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It is also requested that the Department of Justice deliver to the Committee those materials referred to as "some Department (as opposed to FBI) files relating to Dr. King" on page 3 of the Department's Task Force Report to Review the FBI Martin Luther King, Jr. Security and Assassination Investigations.

Sincerely,

G. Robert Blakey

G. Robert Blakey
Chief Counsel and Director

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cc: Mr. Danny O. Coulson

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

February 15, 1978

1 - Mr. Foster
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Attn: Mr. Coulson
1 - Criminal Investigative
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Director, FBI

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

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Reference is made to the letter to the Attorney General from G. Robert Blakey, Chief Counsel and Director, HSCA, dated January 26, 1978, which, in connection with the HSCA's investigation into the assassination of Martin Luther King, Jr., requested access to FBI information concerning Oliver Block Patterson. On February 13, 1978, HSCA Staff Attorney Michael Eberhardt requested that material concerning Patterson be delivered to the HSCA.

Enclosed are an original and one copy of a memorandum with seven attachments which contain material in response to the above request. It is requested that you furnish a copy of the enclosed memorandum to the HSCA.

Enclosures (9)

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1 - Legal Counsel Division
Attn: Mr. Coulson
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February 15, 1978

HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS
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Enclosed are seven attachments which contain pertinent information from the files of FBI Headquarters (FBIHQ) and the St. Louis Office of the FBI in response to the above HSCA request. Where information is not provided, it is either not retrievable or is not being furnished pursuant to the Memorandum of Understanding.

In addition to requesting Patterson's Identification Division record and material concerning his affiliation with the National States Rights Party, referenced letter asked for informant files concerning Patterson, including materials and vouchers which would reflect his informant activities. The FBI feels it is improper for the HSCA to speculate in correspondence as to the identities of FBI informants. Regardless of whether or not HSCA's speculation is accurate, such action could result in possible compromise of sensitive informants and hinder ongoing operations, as well as place the individual involved in personal jeopardy. It is requested that matters which may pertain to FBI informants and sources, or any other matters of obvious sensitivity, be brought to the attention of designated Department of Justice and FBI officials responsible for liaison with the HSCA, prior to submitting a request in writing.

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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 2/15/78, captioned "House Select Committee on Assassinations, U. S. House of Representatives (HSCA)."

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

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

January 31, 1978

Director, FBI

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

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 November 30, 1977, which requested information from FBI Headquarters files in the investigation of Martin Luther King's assassination.

Enclosed are an original and one copy of a memorandum advising that material concerning Item 4 of the above request has been processed and is available for HSCA access at FBI Headquarters. It is requested that you furnish a copy of the enclosed memorandum to the HSCA.

Enclosures - 2

1 - Office of Legislative Affairs (Enclosure)

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MR. COULSON
Rm 3658

FBI/DOJ

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

NOTE: Based on the time period of interest to the HSCA, only Sections 1 through 36 of the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.,/ Poor Peoples March have been prepared for HSCA access.

To date, Congressional Inquiry Unit procedure has been to remove classified information from material being prepared for HSCA access and to make the classified material available upon request only to HSCA staff members with appropriate security clearance. Since most staff members now have their clearances and the volume of classified serials involved in this request is considerable, all classified information is being left in the material processed for the HSCA. The Congressional Inquiry Unit will insure that only HSCA staff members with their security clearances will be granted access to these files.

This response completes the November 30, 1977, HSCA request.

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

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January 31, 1978

HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS
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Reference is made to letter to the Attorney General from G. Robert Blakey, Chief Counsel and Director, HSCA, dated November 30, 1977, which requested information from FBI Headquarters files in the investigation of Martin Luther King's assassination. Among other items, this letter specifically requested the following:

(4) The file on Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.,/Poor Peoples March for the period December 1, 1967, through May 1, 1968.

This memorandum is to advise that material in response to the above item has been processed and is available for HSCA access at FBI Headquarters. Where information is not provided, it is either not retrievable from FBI Headquarters files or is not being produced pursuant to the Memorandum of Understanding.

It should be noted that in preparing the above-mentioned material, because numerous documents involved are classified, no removal of classified documents was made. Therefore, HSCA review of this material should be restricted only to HSCA staff members possessing security clearances.

By FBI memoranda dated November 11, 1977, and November 18, 1977, you were advised that material in response to Items 1, 2, 3 and 5 of the November 30, 1977, request was completed. This response completes the November 30, 1977, HSCA request.

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

NOTE: See Director, FBI, letter to Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, Attention: Mr. Robert L. Keuch, dated 1/31/78, captioned, "House Select Committee on Assassinations, U. S. House of Representatives (HSCA)."

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

NOTE: Through review of National States Rights Party (NSRP) activities, the HSCA learned of SL 1495-E (former), who is identical with Patterson. Prior to submitting referenced request, the HSCA asked that SL 1495-E be contacted to determine if he would cooperate with the Committee. Prior to our contacting the informant, the HSCA submitted its request for his files. The informant, when contacted by St. Louis, declined to cooperate with the Committee. However, after contact by the HSCA, he submitted a waiver (attached) authorizing delivery of his FBI files, vouchers, personal reports, etc. This waiver was delivered to FBIHQ by the HSCA on 2-13-78.

SL 1495-E (Bufile 134-19686) was operated from January, 1970, to approximately September, 1971, targeted primarily against White Hate groups. Being provided to the HSCA are copies of his informant files from St. Louis and at FBIHQ, as well as FBIHQ references. The Voucher and Payroll Section advised that in furnishing copies of informant vouchers their policy is to provide receipts only and not the blue slip or FD-221A. Receipts showing 19 occasions when SL 1495-E was paid are being provided to HSCA.

We should take exception to the Committee's speculation concerning identities or informants in correspondence in an effort to avoid any future indiscretions by the HSCA. This matter has been coordinated with SA M. V. Hale, Top Echelon and Criminal Informant Unit, Criminal Investigative Division, and D. O. Coulson, Legal Liaison and Congressional Affairs Unit.

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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 death of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., it is requested that the FBI provide the Committee with following materials:

1. The main security file on Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. for the period January 1, 1967 through May 1, 1968.

2. The main file on the Southern Christian Leadership Conference for the period January 1, 1967 through May 1, 1968.

3. The file on the Memphis Sanitation Strike for the period January 1, 1968 through May 1, 1968.

4. The file on Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr./Poor People's March for the period December 1, 1967 through May 1, 1968.

5. All materials pertaining to Martin Luther King, Jr. and the SCLC in the COINTELPRO file.

This letter supercedes the earlier requests relative to these files found in the Committee letters of November 3, 1977 and November 8, 1977.

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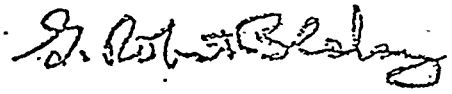
Your prompt attention to these matters will be greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours,



G. Robert Blakey
Chief Counsel and Director

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cc Mr. Danny O. Coulson

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

Attention: Robert L. Keuch
Deputy Assistant Attorney General

Dear Mr. Attorney General:

In connection with the investigation by this Committee into the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., it is requested that the F.B.I. make available to the Committee all materials, including Identification Division records and informant files, pertaining to Ollie Patterson, whose last known address was in the St. Louis area. Patterson was apparently affiliated with the National States Rights Party in the St. Louis - East St. Louis vicinity.

This request, insofar as it relates to informant files, should include all materials and vouchers in both the headquarters file and and field office file where Patterson's informant activities are reflected.

This request should be considered as a priority item and your prompt attention to it will be greatly appreciated.

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Respectfully,

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G. Robert Blakey
Chief Counsel and Director

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Select Committee on Assassinations
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January 27, 1978

Mike,

Pete Baetz called in with the following information:

Oliver Block Patterson, Jr.
12350 Old Halls Ferry Road
Black Jack, Missouri

White - Male

DOB: 1/8/44 - Height: 6'

Weight: 200 lbs. - brown hair, blue eyes

Alias: Richard Paul Bergan

Has 3 misdemeanor arrests in St. Louis County, Missouri

No felonies listed

No further information

Beth

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AUTHORITY FOR RELEASE

I, Oliver B. Patterson, Jr., hereby authorize the the Federal Bureau of Investigation to release and furnish copies of, any and all materials, documents, vouchers and personal reports contained in my Federal Bureau of Investigation informant file to the Select Committee on Assassinations, United States House of Representatives.

Dated this 10th day of February, 1978.

Oliver B. Patterson, Jr.

Oliver B. Patterson, Jr.

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1 - Legal Counsel Division
(Attn: D. O. Coulson)
1 - Intelligence Division
(Attn: M. J. Steinbeck)

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

February 23, 1978

1 - Mr. G.J. Foster

Director, FBI

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

Enclosed are an original and one copy of a memorandum concerning an HSCA request to review FBI documents in possession of the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence (SSC). This request is in connection with the HSCA's investigation into the assassination of Martin Luther King, Jr.

It is requested that you furnish a copy of the enclosed memorandum to the HSCA.

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NOTE: Documents desired by the HSCA were listed as footnotes in the SSC's final report. Mr. Michael Epstein desired the FBI review the documents prior to their release to the HSCA. Additional excisions were necessary in some documents to further protect a sensitive foreign intelligence operation and to be consistent with excisions in other documents made available to the HSCA. Mr. Epstein has been advised of identities of documents requiring additional excisions and, in order to provide maximum security, these documents will be compartmentalized in SSC records.

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This matter has been coordinated with SA M. J. Steinbeck of the Intelligence Division and D. O. Coulson of the Legal Counsel Division.

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1 - Mr. G. J. Foster

February 22, 1978

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

Reference is made to letter to Senator Daniel K. Inouye, Chairman, Senate Select Committee on Intelligence (SSC), from Congressman Louis Stokes, Chairman, HSCA, dated January 24, 1978, which, in Attachment B, requested access to FBI documents referred to in Book III, "Final Report of the Select Committee to Study Governmental Operations with Respect to Intelligence Activities."

On February 1, 1978, Michael Epstein, staff member, SSC, met with representatives of the FBI in connection with the HSCA request outlined in the above-referenced letter. It was agreed that Mr. Epstein would locate in files of the SSC all documents listed in Attachment B and furnish the FBI one copy of each document. These copies were made available to the FBI on February 6, 1978.

This letter is to advise that the above-mentioned material has been processed, consistent with the Memorandum of Understanding between the HSCA and the Department of Justice, and is available for HSCA access at FBI Headquarters.

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

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NOTE: See letter to Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, Attention: Mr. Robert L. Keuch, dated 2/23/78, captioned as above.

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February 6, 1978

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IN REPLY PLEASE
REFER TO Q.# 1803

Mr. Danny Colson
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D.C. 20535

Dear Danny:

Pursuant to my conversation with Jay Aldhizer, I am forwarding herewith copies of all the documents relating to the King case which have been requested by the House Select Committee on Assassinations except for cc, B-9, B-24 and C-14, B-18.

ALL LOCATED IN BU FILES AND PROCESSED JTA

Sincerely,

Mike

Michael T. Epstein

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LETTER TO AAG CRIMINAL DIVISION W/LHM ENC. JTA:lfc 2-22-78

✓ ITEMS TO BE COMPARTMENTED BY SSC.

This list delivered to Dan Heller, FBI, for Clearance, 1/31/78

ATTACHMENT B

RE: FBI Documents referred to in Book III - On behalf of the Senate Select Committee to Study Governmental Operations with Respect to Intelligence Activities.

First four pages generally deal with FBI Intelligence Operations for determining extent of Communist influence of MLK and SCLC.

	Footnote		Memorandums
	2	(A)	Frederick Baumgardner to William Sullivan, 1/28/64
Microphones in hotels	4	(B)	Alan Belmont to Clyde Tolson, 10/17/63
	6	(C)	W. Sullivan to A. Belmont, 12/16/64
	7	(D)	F. Baumgardner to W. Sullivan, 8/31/64, p.1
	8	(E)	W. Sullivan to A. Belmont, 1/8/64
✓	9	(F)	J. Bland to W. Sullivan 2/3/62 (Hoover note)
✓	11	(G)	W. Sullivan to A. Belmont, 8/30/63, p.1
	12	(H)	Hoover (note), 12/29/63
	13	(I)	~~Hoover (interview), 12/14/70~~
✓	21	(J)	FBI Director to N.Y. Office, 3/18/66 (airtel) (should be 7/18/66)
✓	22	(K)	SAC, N.Y., to Director, FBI, 4/14/64
	25	(L)	Director, FBI to SAC, Atlanta, 9/20/57
✓	26	(M)	Director, FBI to SAC, Atlanta, 5/11/62; SAC,
		(N)	Atlanta to Director, FBI, 11/21/61 (airtel)

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Footnote	Memorandums
(P) 27	(O) Director, FBI to SAC, Atlanta, 2/27/62; (P) FBI Report, N.Y., 4/13/62.
28	(Q) Director, FBI to SAC, Atlanta, 6/27/63
29	(R) Director, FBI to SAC, Atlanta, 10/23/62
30	(S) FBI to A.G., 1/8/62
31	(T) Director, FBI to Attorney General, 1/5/62 (should be 1/8/62)
32	(U) F. Baumgardner to W. Sullivan, 10/22/62
33	(V) FBI request for recommendations re: COMINFIL investigation, 7/20/62
(Y) 34	(W) SAC, N.Y. to Director, FBI, 3/16/62 (airtel); SAC, N.Y. to Director, FBI, (X) 3/20/62 (airtel); Director, FBI to Attorney General, (Y) 3/6/62; J. Bland to W. Sullivan, (Z) 3/2/62.
36	(AA) SAC, N.Y. to Director, FBI, 8/16/62, (BB) 11/15/62 (airtels); Director, FBI to SAC, N.Y., (CC) 11/23/62.
37	(DD) Director, FBI to Attorney General, 11/20/62
39	(K) SAC, N.Y. to Director, FBI, 4/14/64
40	(F) J. Bland to W. Sullivan, 2/3/62 (Hoover)
41	(EE) Southern Regional Council, 1/8/62, (Special Report)
42	(FF) Southern Regional Council, 11/14/62, ("Albany, A Study of Racial Responsibility")
44	(GG) Alex Rosen to A. Belmont, 11/15/62, SAC, Atlanta to Director, FBI, (HH) 12/4/62. (received 12/5/62).

Footnote		Memorandums
46	II	SAC, Atlanta to Director, FBI, 11/19/62
47	JJ	A. Rosen to A. Belmont, 11/20/62
48	KK	A. Belmont to C. Tolson, 11/20/62 (should be 11/26/62)
49	MM	Cartha DeLoach to John Mohr, 1/15/63; A. Rosen to A. Belmont, NN 1/17/63; C. DeLoach to "A Publisher", OO 11/29/62, p. 3 (letter); FBI Director to Attorney General, PP 1/18/63 (letter); QQ FBI to Staff Director, Commission on Civil Rights, 1/18/63 (letter)
50	RR	F. Baumgardner to W. Sullivan, 11/20/64 (Hoover comment)
57	SS	Director, FBI to Attorney General 5/31/63
62	S	Director, FBI to Attorney General 1/8/62
64	TT	Courtney Evans to A. Belmont, 2/6/62
67	UU	N.Y. Field Office to FBI Hq., 8/21/62, p. 6
68	VV	F. Baumgardner to W. Sullivan, 10/8/62, p. 2
69	WW	Director, FBI to Attorney General, 1/23/63, p. 1
70	XX	Director, FBI to Attorney General, 1/10/63 (Kennedy note); YY Director, FBI to B. Marshall, 1/31/63
71	ZZ	A. Rosen to A. Belmont, 2/4/63
72	A-1	Director, FBI to Attorney General 3/12/63; A-2 Director, FBI to Attorney General 6/3/63; A-3 Director, FBI to Attorney General 6/7/63.
73	A-4	Hoover to C. Tolson, A. Belmont, C. DeLoach, A. Rosen, W. Sullivan, 6/17/63; A-5 J. Walter Yeagley to A.G. 6/28/63.

Footnote		Memorandums
✓ 75	A-6	B. Marshall to J. Edgar Hoover, 9/12/63
77	A-7	MLK to "Advisor B" 7/3/63 (letter)
80	A-8	Milton Jones to C. DeLoach, 7/16/63, p. 2
81	A-9	Sen. Monroney to Hoover, 7/12/63 (letter)
82	A-10	Sen. Magnuson to Hoover, 7/16/63 (letter)
83	A-11	C. Tolson to Director, 7/16/63 (Hoover note)
✓ 84	A-12	Director, FBI to A.G., 7/17/63
88	A-13	(DeLoach to Mohr, 2/5/76). (should be 2/5/64)
✓ 90	A-14	C. Evans to Belmont, 7/16/63; Hoover to A.G., 7/22/63 A-15 (should be Baumgardner to Sullivan, 7/22/63)
91	A-16	SAC Atlanta to Hoover, 7/24/63 (airtel)
✓ 92	A-17	Hoover to Attorney General 7/23/63
93	A-18	Hoover to Attorney General 7/22/63
94	A-18	Hoover to Attorney General (undated) (should be 7/22/63)
95	A-20	Evans to Belmont, 7/25/63
96	A-21	Hoover memo for Record, 6/19/69
99	A-12	Hoover to A.G. 7/17/63
✓ 100	A-13a	Evans to Belmont, 7/29/63
✓ 101	A-14a	Report of SA re: MLK affiliation with Communist movement, 7/22/63
102	A-15a	Evans to Belmont, 8/1/63
✓ 104	A-16a	Hoover to Attorney General, 8/2/63
105	A-17a	Evans to Belmont, 8/20/63
106	A-18a	Hoover to SAC, 7/18/63, p. 2
✓ 107	A-19a	Baumgardner to Sullivan, 8/22/63, p. 1
✓ 113	A-20a	Baumgardner to Sullivan, 8/22/63, p. 1 (Hoover note) (should be p. 2)
115	A-21a	Baumgardner to Sullivan, 8/26/63 (Hoover note) (should be 8/27/63)

116 B-1 Baumgardner to Sullivan, 8/29/63 (Hoover note)

✓119 B-2 Sullivan to Belmont, 8/30/63, p. 1

122 B-3 Baumgardner to Sullivan, 9/16/63 (Hoover note)

✓125 B-4 Sullivan to Belmont, 9/25/63, p. 1; B-5 Hoover to Attorney General, 9/5/63.

126 B-6 Hoover to SAC, 10/1/63

131 B-7 Attorney General to Hoover, 5/20/54

132 B-8 Hoover to Byron White, 5/4/61

133 B-9 Evans to Belmont, 7/7/61

135 B-10 Hoover to Attorney General, 3/30/65, p.2

✓137 B-11 Bland to Sullivan, 9/6/63

wiretap requests and author-izations ✓140 B-12 Bland to Sullivan, 10/4/63 (Hoover note)

142 B-13 Hoover to Attorney General, 10/7/63

143 B-13 Hoover 10/7/63; B-14 Hoover to A.G., 10/18/63

144 B-14a Evans to Belmont, 10/10/63

145 B-15 Evans to Belmont, 10/21/63

154 B-16 Hoover to SAC Atlanta, 4/19/65

155 B-17 SAC, Atlanta to Hoover, 5/19/65

156 B-18 SAC, N.Y. to Hoover, 1/27/64

157 B-19 Hoover to SAC, N.Y., 8/7/64

159 B-20 Hoover to Attorney General, 6/22/66

160 B-21 Joseph Sizoo to Files, 6/23/66 (Should be Joseph Ponder)

161 B-22 Clark to Hoover, 1/3/68; B-23 1/17/69

163 B-24 Director, FBI to SAC, Atlanta, 2/14/69

	Footnote	Memorandums
Microphone	164 B-25	Hoover to SAC, N.Y. 5/7/65; B-26 Baumgardner to Sullivan 5/27/66
surveillance	165 B-27	FBI to Senate Select Committee, 7/24/75 (letter)
	166 B-28	Sullivan to Belmont, 1/6/64; B-29 Baumgardner to Sullivan 1/28/64
	167 B-30	Baumgardner to Sullivan, 10/29/65, B-31 11/29/65
	168 B-32	Sullivan to Belmont, 1/13/64
	169 B-33	Baumgardner to Sullivan, 2/4/64
	170 B-29	Baumgardner memo, 1/28/64
	171 B-28	Sullivan to Belmont, 1/6/64
	172 B-32	Sullivan to Belmont, 1/13/64
	173 B-34	DeLoach to Hoover, 1/14/64
	174 B-35	Sullivan to Belmont, 1/28/64
	175 B-36	SAC, San Francisco to Hoover, 2/25/64 (airtel)
	177 B-37	Baumgardner to Sullivan, 3/4/64
	178 B-38	Baumgardner to Sullivan, 7/2/64
	179 B-39	Baumgardner to Sullivan, 7/15/64
	180 B-40	Hoover to Jenkins, 7/17/64 (letter)
	181 B-41	Sullivan to Belmont, 8/21/64
	183 B-42	Baumgardner to Sullivan, 9/28/64
	184 B-43	Sizoo to Sullivan, 1/8/65, B-44 1/29/65, B-45 5/13/65; B-46 Sullivan to Belmont, 10/14/65; Baumgardner to Sullivan, B-30 10/29/65, B-31 11/29/65

	186	B-47	Brennan to Sullivan, 12/15/66
	187	B-48	Brennan to Sullivan, 12/19/66
	195	B-49	Evans to Belmont, 9/11/64
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	202	B-46	Sullivan to Belmont, 10/14/65
	203	B-51	Hoover to Attorney General, 10/19/65
	204	B-31	Baumgardner to Sullivan, 11/29/65
	205	B-52	Hoover to Attorney General, 12/1/65
	208	B-53	Katzenbach to Hoover, 12/10/65
	214	B-54	Sullivan to DeLoach, 1/21/66; B-55 DeLoach to Tolson, 1/21/66
	215	C-1	Sullivan to Belmont, 10/15/63
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	218	C-2	Evans to Belmont, 10/25/63
	219	C-3	Hoover to Tolson, Belmont, Mohr, DeLoach, Rosen and Sullivan, 10/25/63
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	241	C-11	SAC, N.Y, to Hoover, 4/14/64; C-12 Hoover to SAC, N.Y., 4/20/64.
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	245	C-15	Unsigned memo, 6/4/64
	246	C-16	Baumgardner to Sullivan, 5/20/64
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	254	C-22	Callahan to Mohr, 1/31/64
	255	C-23	DeLoach to Mohr (should be 3/16/64)
FBI leaks to Univer-sities	✓257	C-24	Baumgardner to Sullivan, 3/4/64
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FBI leaks re: Nobel Prize Reception	267	C-30	Hoover to Moyers, 12/1/64 (letter)
	268	C-31	DeLoach to Mohr, 12/7/64
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	272	C-33	Hoover to Humphrey (letter), 12/21/64
	273	C-34	Baumgardner to Sullivan, 12/8/64
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	275	C-36	Baumgardner to Sullivan, 11/30/64
	276	C-37	Baumgardner to Sullivan, 11/12/64
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	288	C-45	Hoover to SAC, N.Y., 5/21/64
	290	C-46	Baumgardner to Sullivan, 6/29/65
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	398	D-3	Baumgardner to Sullivan, 3/23/65
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	416	D-23	Brennan to Baumgardner, & Sullivan, (attached to Baumgardner memo of 10/28/66.
	417	D-24	Baumgardner to Sullivan, 11/3/66
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420 D-27 Brennan to Sullivan, 3/8/67

421 D-28 Moore to Sullivan, 10/18/67

FBI attempts to discredit MLK with political & financial leaders

422 D-29 Baumgardner to Sullivan, 3/2/65

423 D-30 Baumgardner to Sullivan, 10/24/66

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FBI attempts to discredit MLK with congressional leaders

426 D-32 DeLoach to Mohr, 8/14/66

427 D-33 DeLoach to Tolson, 1/19/68

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429 (J) Hoover to SAC, N.Y., 7/18/66

430 D-34 SAC, N.Y. to Hoover, 10/7/66

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432 D-36 SAC, N.Y. to Hoover, 2/25/67 (should be 5/25/67)

434 D-37 SAC, Chicago to Hoover, 6/1/67

435 D-38 Hoover to SACs, 8/25/67

436 D-39 Hoover to SACs, 3/4/68

438 D-40 Brennan to Sullivan, 4/10/67

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443 D-44 Moore to Sullivan, 3/26/68

444 D-45 SAC, Mobile to Hoover, 3/25/68; D-46 Hoover to SAC, Mobile, 3/2/68

445 D-47 Moore to Sullivan, 3/28/68

446 D-48 Moore to Sullivan, 3/29/68

447a D-49 Milton Jones to Thomas Bishop, 3/18/69

Post-Mortem 447b D-50 SAC, Atlanta to Hoover, 4/3/69

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)(ATTN: CONGRESSIONAL INQUIRY UNIT, SUPV. JACK MC GIRL)

FROM SAC, HOUSTON (44-1509) (C)

SUBJECT MURKIN

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HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS

Re telephone call of Bureau Supv. JACK MC GIRL to Houston, 12/22/77; and NY airtel to Director, dated 4/18/68.

Enclosed for the Bureau is one (1) xerox copy of Houston teletype to Memphis, Et Al, dated April 20, 1968.

No FD-302 regarding interview with THOMAS JOSEPH COX could be located.

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MURKIN; CR.

RE BIRMINGHAM TEL, APRIL SEVENTEEN, LAST.

RE SUSPECT SHAW GALT

THOMAS JOSEPH COX INTERVIEWED APRIL EIGHTEEN, LAST, SHOWN PHOTO OF ERIC STARVO GALT, AKA. GALT UNKNOWN TO COX. COX LAST IN BIRMINGHAM, MARCH, SIXTY SIX, STAYING AT RUNDOWN MOTEL MOBILE HIWAY. NAME SHAW GALT UNKNOWN TO HIM. ONLY PERSON EROM BIRMINGHAM HE KNOWS IS GIRL CONNIE LNU. MET HER AT HOUSTON AND DATED HER. COX ADVISED THAT CHECK OF COAST GUARD RECORDS, WASHINGTON,D.C. UNDER HIS Z NUMBER WOULD VERIFY HE NOT IN BIRMINGHAM, SEPT. SIXTY SEVEN. NEW YORK AND NEWARK DISCONTINUE.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574) (C) (2)

SUBJECT: MURKIN
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Re Bureau facsimile letter to Los Angeles, 12/14/77, with copy of Select Committee on assassinations to Attorney General, dated 12/2/77.

Enclosed for the Bureau is one package containing 17 sets of documents requested in letter from Attorney General BELL.

Colored photographs, C-1A31, of THOMAS LAU and ERIC S. GALT forwarded to Bureau by airtel 4/15/68.

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December 2, 1977

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., we would appreciate two copies of the following photographs in the possession of the Federal Bureau of Investigation in LA MURKIN File 44-1574A EXHIBITS Series 1A1:

(1) Copy of driver's license # D56162 from Jerome Wallis Vernon (1a2)

(2) Six photos - Jerome Wallis Vernon (1a4)

(3) Five photos - Rita Stein (1a13)

(4) Photo of J. C. Hardin (1a31)

(5) Photo of Muriel Tomaso (1a32)

(6) Photo - Paul Osborn Bridgman (1a34)

(7) Voter Registration Stub - signed Charles J. Stein (1a44)

(8) Negative - composite photo of Eric S. Galt, Jerome Wallis Vernon (1a48)

(9) Notes of interview with Charles Calvin Bookman (1a62)

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(10) Copies of Ray Photos - 1960 (1a65)

(11) Three photos of James Earl Ray taken 1/4/66 (1a70)

(12) Five double photos of Dyrell Dennis (1a71)

(13) Three photos of Eric Starvo Galt taken November, 1967 (Mexico City) (1a75)

(14) Two photos of James Wilbourne Ashmore (1a88)

(15) Two photos of Jerome Wallis Vernon (1a103)

(16) Three photos and one negative of James Earl Ray from U. S. Postal Inspection (1a107)

(17) Three photos of artist's conception of James C. Hardin (1a108)

Additionally, we would like two copies of the following photograph in LA MURKIN File 44-1574 C-1A31 which is one color photo of Tomas Lau and Eric S. Galt.

Your prompt attention to this request will be most appreciated.

Very truly yours,

G. Robert Blakey

G. Robert Blakey
Chief Counsel and Director

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987) (P*)

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Enclosed for the Bureau are 4 copies of an LHM dated 12/5/77, captioned "JAMES EARL RAY; Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. - VICTIM; CIVIL RIGHTS - CONSPIRACY.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

Memphis, Tennessee
December 5, 1977

JAMES EARL RAY;
Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. - VICTIM;
CIVIL RIGHTS - CONSPIRACY

On November 21, 1977, retired Special Agent Joe C. Hester appeared at Washington, D. C., at the request of the House Committee on Assassinations.

Mr. Hester met with the Committee staff in their offices at Washington, D. C., and was interviewed for a total of four hours by two different groups of five persons each. Both groups were affable and were not in any way critical of the investigation conducted in this case.

The first group of five interviewers asked a variety of questions but seemed to be particularly preoccupied with the investigation conducted by Legats in Mexico. Mr. Hester was able to answer many of the general questions regarding the activities of Legats but referred them to Assistant Director Richard Long when they began to ask more specific questions regarding the investigations by Legats and the manner of transmittal of this information to FBI Headquarters.

The second group of five interviewers asked more general questions regarding the Bureau's investigation of the King murder. They seemed to be greatly concerned with the allegation of conspiracy. Mr. Hester advised them that he believed the conspiracy theory was an invention by the Department of Justice to be used to justify the FBI's investigation of Dr. King's murder. Mr. Hester advised them that he had never personally believed there was a conspiracy and he did not believe that any of his FBI superiors had ever believed in the conspiracy theory. Mr. Hester further advised that it was his personal opinion that James Earl Ray, acting alone, had murdered Dr. King and that his subsequent travels were probably financed by armed robbery.

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RE: JAMES EARL RAY;
Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. - VICTIM

This group was concerned with how the subject Ray had known how to obtain false documents following his arrival in Canada. Mr. Hester pointed out that a "Top Ten" criminal had been arrested in Canada and had been returned to the Missouri State Penitentiary and had served time there with James Earl Ray prior to Ray's escape. Mr. Hester indicated it was his belief that this "Top Ten" fugitive had been responsible for instructing Ray on how to proceed in obtaining false documents in Canada.

This group touched on such diverse elements as the information furnished by John McFerren regarding Frank Liberto, and one of the interviewers agreed that they had not believed McFerren to be a very reliable witness. They also discussed Ray's purchase of the rifle in Birmingham; the fact that Officer Redditt was moved from the firehouse near the Lorraine Motel just prior to the murder; what motive did Ray have for killing Dr. King; whether or not there was any evidence to indicate a conspiracy; whether or not there were any wiretaps and whether or not there had been any surreptitious entries made against King and his followers at Memphis prior to the assassination; and when, following his escape, did Ray appear to have made up his mind to assassinate Dr. King.

In addition, they asked numerous questions about the political climate in Memphis just prior to the assassination and inquired as to what investigation was being conducted by the FBI in regard to the Sanitation Workers Strike and the first march conducted by Dr. King. Mr. Hester was forced to admit that he had had nothing to do with the investigation of Dr. King prior to the murder and he suggested that they talk to current Special Agent Howell S. Lowe who would be in a position to furnish information in this regard.

They inquired about the interview of James Earl Ray conducted by former Special Agent in Charge Robert G. Jensen, former Special Agent Robert F. Boyle, and Mr. Hester at the state prison in Nashville, Tennessee, following Ray's plea of guilty. Mr. Hester recounted as best he could recall the events that transpired in connection with this attempted interview and advised the interviewers that former Special Agent Robert F. Boyle has suffered a cerebral hemmorrhage and possibly might not be competent to furnish information regarding this investigation.

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Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. - VICTIM

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The Committee indicated that they might desire to interview Mr. Hester again, either personally or telephonically, and they were assured that he would be available and agreeable to assisting them in any way possible.

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FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

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

December 19, 1977

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1 - Mr. Peelman
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Director, FBI

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

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Enclosed are an original and one copy of a memorandum which responds to all remaining items requested in referenced letter of November 3, 1977. It is requested you furnish a copy of the enclosed memorandum to the HSCA.

Enclosures - 2

1 - Office of Legislative Affairs (Enclosure)

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Criminal Division
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NOTE: The letter of 11/3/77, requested information on 35 items, a number of which were subsequently modified by the HSCA letter of 11/8/77, another letter of 11/9/77, (not attached) and through conferences with the HSCA personnel. Partial responses have been submitted to the HSCA as documents in response to certain items have been processed. This response completes all requested items in the letter of 11/3/77.

Information processed concerning Item 35, Herman A. Thompson, included Bufile 1-8332, which contained results of his background investigation prior to attending the 63rd Session of the National Academy in 1959. Discussions by D. O. Coulson, Legal Liaison and Congressional Affairs Unit, with the HSCA have determined that access to background information on Thompson will greatly assist the Committee in one aspect of its inquiry. The nature of the HSCA's interest in Thompson is unknown. Since Thompson's file contains no derogatory information, representatives of the Legal Liaison and the Congressional Inquiry Units believe the HSCA should be given access to Thompson's National Academy file.

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You have been previously advised that Items 2, 3, 6, 25 and 34 of your letter of November 3, 1977, have been completed for review at FBI Headquarters.

This letter is to advise that material (including Identification Division records and references in the King Assassination investigation) regarding the following remaining items in your letter of November 3, 1977, has been processed and is available for review at FBI Headquarters: Items 1, 4, 5, 8, 10, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 21, 22, 24, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33 and 35.

With respect to the subjects of Items 9, 11, 20 and 23, no identifiable information could be located in the files of FBI Headquarters or all information located did not fall within the time period specified by the HSCA in its request.

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

NOTE: See Director, FBI, letter to the Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, Attention: Mr. Robert L. Keuch, dated 12/19/77, captioned, "House Select Committee on Assassinations, U. S. House of Representatives (HSCA)."

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Regarding Item 1, Lawrence J. Callanan, files were located involving Callanan's Pipefitters Union in previous FBI investigations into possible violations of the Welfare and Pension Plans Disclosure Act and Election Laws. On November 29, 1977, HSCA Staff Attorney Michael Eberhardt advised these investigations were of no interest to the HSCA and that it was not necessary to process these files.

With respect to Item 7, the HSCA submitted a request for information concerning Morris Davis on May 13, 1977. By FBI memorandum dated June 9, 1977, you were advised that all pertinent information regarding Davis in the files of FBI Headquarters was processed and available for HSCA access at FBI Headquarters.

Concerning Item 8, there are numerous FBI Headquarters files concerning the White Citizens Council. In accordance with Item (f) of HSCA letter November 8, 1977, these files were reviewed to identify cities involved. On December 2, 1977, Mr. Eberhardt agreed that only White Citizens Council files involving the cities of Chicago, Illinois; Montgomery, Alabama, and London, England, were needed by the HSCA.

Where information is not provided it is either not retrievable from FBI Headquarters files or is not being produced pursuant to the Memorandum of Understanding.

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Attention: Mr. Robert L. Keuch
Deputy Assistant Attorney
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24. Raoul Esquivel - (Raul Victor Esquibel), dob 11/17/26, 4524 Parsimmon, Metairie, La. (This request includes, but is not limited to, Bureau File 44-26940.)

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

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(a) The FBI would process the following numbered requests as they were originally stated in the November 3rd letter: 1, 4, 5, 7, 9-11, 13-24, 26, 28-33 and 35.

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In Addition, the Committee would also request that the following agents be notified and made available by the FBI:

(1) Special Agent William F. Kusch - New Orleans
Special Agent Thomas E. Duhadway - New Orleans

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Special Agent Jack T. Beverstein - Memphis ATLANTA

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We are primarily interested in those records reflecting their [illegible] records should be provided by November 15, 1977. The Committee would also ask that all three of the above-mentioned Louisville agents be made available for interview by the same date.

Your prompt attention to these matters will be greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours,

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Chief Counsel and Director

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cc Mr. Danny O. Coulson

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Reference is made to letter to the Attorney General from G. Robert Blakey, Chief Counsel and Director, HSCA, dated November 3, 1977, Items #25 and #34, which requested information from FBI Headquarters files concerning the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) and Martin Luther King, Jr., respectively. By letters from Mr. Blakey to the Attorney General, dated November 8, 1977, and November 9, 1977, modification to the above items were made, the details of which are outlined in the enclosed memorandum.

Enclosed are two copies of a memorandum in response to the above-mentioned request. It is requested that you furnish a copy of the enclosed memorandum to the HSCA.

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NOTE: The HSCA has held in abeyance its initial request for access to FBI Headquarters files concerning our security investigations of SCLC and King. Instead, the Committee, through discussion concerning other main files on King at FBI Headquarters, has selected those files it desires to review. These include files in which a threat against King's life has been made.

Through contact with Supervisor Charles Haynes, Atlanta Office, former SA Sentinella has agreed to be interviewed by the HSCA staff in Atlanta on 12/1/77, or 12/2/77. Final arrangements with the Committee on this interview are being worked out by Michael Eberhardt, HSCA, and the Congressional Inquiry Unit.

Material to respond to remaining items in the above referenced HSCA letters is being processed.

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HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS
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Reference is made to letter to the Attorney General from G. Robert Blakey, Chief Counsel and Director, HSCA, dated November 3, 1977, Item #25, which requested the general file and the COINTELPRO file concerning the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) for the period 1962 through 1968 and Item #34, which requested information concerning Martin Luther King for the period 1962 through 1968, exclusive of the King assassination file and the SCLC file.

By letter from Mr. Blakey to the Attorney General, dated November 8, 1977, under Item (g), the HSCA held in abeyance its request concerning the SCLC until the FBI could make available for HSCA interview the most appropriate case agent(s) in the SCLC investigation for the period of 1962 through 1968. This letter, under Item (h), also modified the initial request concerning King by asking for only the thirteen "death threat" files at this time until the FBI could make available for interview by HSCA the most appropriate case agent(s) for the period 1962 through 1968.

By letter from Mr. Blakey to the Attorney General, dated November 9, 1977, the above requests were further modified with respect to information concerning King. This letter requested, under Item 1, Page 2, that the FBI not prepare the main security file to King for inspection by the HSCA until the Committee first has the opportunity to speak with the most appropriate case agent(s) in the Office of Origin of the King investigation for the period 1967 through 1968. It was re-

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quested that this agent(s) be made available by November 30, 1977. Under Item 2, Page 2, this letter requested that the FBI prepare, for inspection, twenty-seven files concerning King as identified by Staff Counsel Michael Eberhardt in his conference with the FBI November 8, 1977. In addition, it was requested that the FBI check the nature of the six volumes concerning King which were on microfilm at FBI Headquarters.

Therefore, in response to the above requests, the twenty-seven main files concerning King have been processed and are available for HSCA access at FBI Headquarters. These files include those "death threats" made against King. The six volumes which appear on microfilm have been reviewed and are not identifiable with Martin Luther King, Jr. Regarding the material processed, where information is not provided it is either not retrievable from Headquarters files or is not being produced pursuant to the Memorandum of Understanding.

Through contact with the Atlanta Office of the FBI, which was Office of Origin in the security investigations of SCLC and King, it has been determined that former Special Agent Alan G. Sentinella, as case agent in both instances for the periods requested, is the most appropriate agent to be interviewed by the HSCA regarding these investigations.

This letter is to confirm that Sentinella has been contacted and has agreed to interview. Specific arrangements for this interview are being made by HSCA Staff Counsel Michael Eberhardt and the Congressional Inquiry Unit, FBI Headquarters.

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We are primarily interested in those records reflecting their [illegible] month [illegible]. If available, records should be provided by November 15, 1977. The Committee would also ask that all three of the above-mentioned Louisville agents be made available for interview by the same date.

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Chief Counsel and Director

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Criminal Division, Room 2113

Dear Mr. Attorney General:

In connection with the investigation by the Select Committee on Assassinations into the death of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., it is requested that the FBI provide the following materials by November 20, 1977:

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A. 1. The sub-files or investigative reports from Louisville, Kentucky on the United Klan of America for the years 1965 and 1966.

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2. All documents and investigative reports on the Louisville-based Independent Klan for the years 1965 and 1966.

B. In addition it is requested that the following materials be prepared (but are not needed by November 20, 1977):

1. Sub-files or investigative reports on the United Klan of America for the period 1967 and 1968 for the following cities:

a) ✓Birmingham, Alabama
b) ✓Atlanta, Georgia
c) Memphis, Tennessee
d) St. Louis, Missouri
e) New Orleans, Louisiana
f) ✓Los Angeles, California
g) Louisville, Kentucky

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2. All documents and investigative reports for any other Klan organization with offices in any of the cities listed in paragraph (B)(1) above for the period 1967 and 1968.

(The requests formulated in Paragraphs A and B above modify and replace request no. 6 in the Committee's letter of November 3, 1977). and(2) 11/8/77

In addition, based on further discussions between the Committee staff and members of the FBI and a review of an FBI inventory of files pertaining to Dr. King, request no. 34 in the same Committee letter of November 3, 1977 is modified to the following extent:

1. It is requested that the FBI not prepare the main security file on Dr. King for inspection by the Committee until the Committee first has the opportunity to speak with the most appropriate case agent(s) in the office of origin for the period 1967 and 1968. It is requested that any such agent be made available by November 30, 1977.

2. Of the remaining volumes on Dr. King, it is requested that the FBI prepare for inspection by the Committee those twenty-seven files indicated by staff Counsel Michael Eberhardt in his conference with the FBI on November 8, 1977. (In addition, it is requested that the FBI check the nature of the six volumes appearing on the inventory which are on microfilm.)

With respect to the Committee letter of October 7, 1977 requesting interviews with various FBI agents, the following list of agents represented those who should be made available by the FBI on a priority basis:

1. Thomas Duhadway ✓
2. William Kusch ✓
3. Thomas Colarelli ✓
4. Patrick J. Collins, Jr. ✓
5. Rene Dumain
6. Ramon Stratton ✓
7. Robert Haines ✓
8. Joe C. Hester
9. George J. Bonebrake ✓
10. Robert Frazier

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The Committee is ready to interview these agents on an immediate basis.

In addition to the ten priority agents listed above, the following two agents, not previously requested, should also be included on a priority basis:

1. Robert F. Boyle - Memphis
2. Harvey E. Glyfe - Memphis

Your prompt attention to these matters will be greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours,

G. Robert Blakey

G. Robert Blakey
Chief Counsel and Director

cc: Mr. Danny O. Coulson

GRB:mek

April 26, 1977

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

1 - Mr. Adams
1 - Mr. Fehl
1 - Mr. Peelman
1 - Mr. Lawn
1 - Legal Counsel Division

Honorable John Melcher
United States Senate
Washington, D. C. 20510

Dear Senator Melcher: House Select Committee on Assassinations

This is to acknowledge receipt of your communication dated April 5, 1977.

The Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) initiated a security investigation of Martin Luther King, Jr., in 1962 to determine the scope and depth of Communist influence upon him. This investigation terminated at the time of his death in 1968. Similar investigations have also been conducted on a number of his associates who were either known or alleged to have Communist connections. The results of these investigations have been made available to the Department of Justice and other interested agencies of the Government.

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With respect to results of our electronic surveillance of King conducted during this investigation, the following information may be of interest to you. On January 31, 1977, U. S. District Court Judge John Lewis Smith, Jr., dismissed two civil suits filed against the FBI by a former assistant to King and the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, which King headed until his death. The court ordered the FBI to file with the National Archives all of its tapes and documents obtained through telephone and microphone surveillances of King and that this material not be made public for at least 50 years, except by court order. The FBI is currently in the process of complying with this court order.

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I appreciate your concern in bringing this matter to my attention.

Sincerely yours,

MAY 4 1977

C. M. Kelley

Clarence M. Kelley
Director

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Honorable John Melcher

NOTE: Senator John Melcher's letter enclosed an article from "The Review of the News," a publication printed in Belmont, Massachusetts. This article discussed former King associates and their Communist connections and states that King's "public record" illustrates good reason for the FBI to have considered him "dangerous". The article is supportive of the FBI's investigation of King and criticizes the Senate Intelligence Committee, under Senator Frank Church, for refusing to release the FBI file on King and electronic surveillance results, which "proved that Martin Luther King was indeed a person of low moral character who had fallen under the control of the Communist."

In his letter, Senator Melcher believes that if electronic surveillance records existed on King they should not be kept secret and that the files and facts must be made public.

Although Senator Melcher does not request a reply, it should be pointed out to him that allegations of Communist influence on King and his associates have been investigated and that a Federal court has ruled regarding the results of our electronic surveillance of King being made public.

Delay in responding occurred because Senator Melcher's enclosure did not arrive with his original letter, and a copy of the enclosure was not provided our Congressional Liaison Unit until 4/21/77.

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April 5, 1977

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

Hon. Clarence M. Kelley
Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Washington, D. C. 20535

House Select Committee on Assassinations

Dear Mr. Kelley:

In the enclosed article copied from "The Review Of The News", a publication printed in Belmont, Massachusetts, serious allegations are made against the late Reverend Martin Luther King. The article speaks of surveillance records kept on Reverend King and alleged Communist associates.

I believe that if any such files exist on Dr. King, they should not be kept secret after such a long period of time. The allegations in the attached article are serious and should be checked out.

The files and the facts must be made public.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

John Melcher

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MEMORANDUM

To: Danny Coulson
Legal Counsel, FBI

Here is the Martin Luther King article which should have been enclosed with Senator John Melcher's recent letter.

I am sorry for the inconvenience.

Sherry Donovan
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The King File

ARTICLE

by Robert H. Reeder

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■ SENATOR Frank Church (D.-Idaho) has turned the Senate Intelligence Committee into a vehicle for smearing the late F.B.I. Director J. Edgar Hoover. Hoover's private files show that he had become convinced that Martin Luther King was a person of low moral character who had fallen under the control of the Communists. Church claims to find this absurd. Attorney General Robert Kennedy, however, did *not* find it absurd in the least and authorized F.B.I. surveillance of King — including wiretaps, which were maintained between 1963 and 1966.

Those wiretaps and other evidence proved that Martin Luther King was indeed a person of low moral character who had fallen under the control of the Communists. But Senator Church has, like Richard Nixon, ducked the issue by refusing to release the damning tapes. And the "Liberal" press has cooperated by laboring to create the myth that Martin Luther King was an innocent victim of Director Hoover's bad temper.

The F.B.I. has been accused of playing "dirty tricks" on Martin Luther King. It has been accused of threatening to release information in its files that would have been damaging to King's respectability. And almost nothing has been said about Martin Luther King's notorious immorality and Communist associates. The *New York Times*, on November 19, 1975, commented: "The committee staff members said they could find no justification for the bureau's attack on Dr. King." The Senate Intelligence Committee would like us to believe that Martin Luther King was under

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surveillance because he criticized the F.B.I.

We do not know what information is in the substantial F.B.I. file on Dr. King, but we do know that even the most cursory look at Martin Luther King's *public* record should convince the merest tyro that there was very good reason for Director Hoover to consider King "dangerous."

Martin Luther King was quoted in the *New York World Telegram* of July 23, 1964, as declaring: "[*I am*] sick and tired of people saying this movement has been infiltrated by Communists and Communist sympathizers. There are as many Communists in this freedom movement as there are Eskimos in Florida." One hardly has to look at the entire "freedom movement" to find evidence of Communist infiltration — though the level of infiltration was overwhelming when the whole movement is considered. Rather, to be scrupulously fair, let us look directly under Dr. King's nose — at those persons closest to him — and see what we find.

Hunter Pitts O'Dell came to work for the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (S.C.L.C.) late in 1960 as Dr. King's staff consultant. In the fall of 1962 he was promoted to acting staff director in charge of voter registration and integration workshops. During this period, O'Dell was a member of the National Committee of the Communist Party. The "Liberal" press ignored it. Finally, on October 26, 1961, the *St. Louis Globe-Democrat* revealed that in 1956 and 1958 Hunter Pitts O'Dell had been identified under oath as a Communist organizer.

What did Martin Luther King do? He announced that he had discharged Comrade O'Dell.

A few months later it was discovered that O'Dell had not been fired but promoted, and was now running King's large New York office! When the story hit, Dr. King claimed to have discharged O'Dell a second time. A subsequent check by U.P.I. determined that Hunter Pitts O'Dell of the National Committee of the Communist Party was still employed by Dr. Martin Luther King.

Bayard Rustin is the notorious homosexual King called "a brilliant, efficient and dedicated organizer and one of the best and most persuasive interpreters of nonviolence." He was secretary and advisor to King from 1956 to 1960, and went with him to Oslo to receive the Nobel Prize in 1964.

Rustin was an organizer, recruiter, and fund-raiser for the Young Communist League, served 28 months in prison during World War II for refusing to do work required of those who were conscientious objectors, was given 60 days in jail in California for lewd vagrancy in 1953, and while working for King was one of only five "impartial observers" at the Communist Party's closed-door 16th national convention in 1957. That is only *part* of the record.

Fred Shuttlesworth, longtime field secretary of King's S.C.L.C., was

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president of the Southern Conference Educational Fund (S.C.E.F.). This group was thoroughly investigated by Committees of both the House and Senate and repeatedly found to have been a major Communist operation. On November 26, 1963, Shuttlesworth was one of two honored guests at the 15th anniversary dinner of the *National Guardian*, described by a Congressional Committee as "a virtual official propaganda arm of Soviet Russia." A former bootlegger, Fred Shuttlesworth's Communist, Communist Front, and radical activities fill three typewritten pages. King said of Shuttlesworth: "Reverend Shuttlesworth is my principal aide. Why, he gave me my start and he advised me from the very first. I depend on him."

James Bevel was Martin Luther King's chief aide in Chicago. He has declared: "We must move to destroy Western Capitalism." At a Black Power rally at Berkeley, California, in 1966 Bevel announced: "One of the problems of not being able to burn down the slums of Chicago is at this point not having the proper discipline required for the problems of carrying out that kind of a mission. That is why we haven't burned it down . . . . We are going to be part of an international revolution to end slavery . . . . I guess I hate Western Civilization more than most people . . . ."

The "Reverend" Bevel continued to emphasize the destruction of capitalism, and then he told the crowd that, when John Kennedy was President, Bevel had told people: "If the Vietcong jumped Jackie in my back yard, I wouldn't pull them off her."

Wyatt T. Walker, staff aide to Martin Luther King, was editorial advisor to the Marxist-Leninist Progressive Labor Movement. He was a familiar supporter of Communist Fronts.

Myles Horton was director of the Highlander Center, an outgrowth of the Highlander Folk School, in Tennessee, where King was trained. Martin Luther King was in fact listed as a sponsor of the Highlander Center on its stationery. Horton conceived the Highlander Folk School, described by a Joint Committee of the Tennessee Legislature as "a meeting place for known Communists and fellow travelers." The Georgia Commission on Education termed it a "Communist Training School."

James Dombrowski was another member of the Communist Party who was a close friend and advisor to Martin Luther King. Law enforcement authorities obtained a cancelled check made out to King from the Communist Front S.C.E.F. which was signed by Dombrowski and Benjamin Smith. Smith, according to Senator James O. Eastland (D.-Mississippi), ". . . is registered under the Foreign Agents Registration Act as an agent of Fidel Castro."

In a letter discovered by government investigators, King wrote to Comrade Dombrowski: "Dear Jim: This is just a note to acknowledge receipt of your letters of recent date. We, too, were more than happy to have you in our home, the fellowship was

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very rewarding . . . . Very sincerely yours, Martin."

Carl and Anne Braden have both been longtime, notorious members of the Communist Party working in the Louisville area. The Bradens, officers of the S.C.E.F., were part of the "Louisville Seven" — a group responsible for purchasing a house in an all-white area of Louisville, selling it to a Negro family, *and then dynamiting it to stir up racial trouble.*

King wrote a letter to the Bradens in 1959 urging them to become permanently associated with his Southern Christian Leadership Conference.

A photograph taken at the 6th annual conference of the S.C.L.C. in 1962, and found in the files of James Dombrowski, shows Martin Luther King, Carl and Anne Braden, and James Dombrowski, and describes King on the back as "responding to Anne Braden's speech."

Aubrey Williams was president of S.C.E.F. until 1963. In 1945 the U.S. Senate rejected his appointment to a government post because of his affiliations with the Communist apparatus. In 1954, Williams was identified under oath as a member of the Communist Party by two witnesses.

Two years later, in 1957, King was photographed with Williams, Myles Horton, Abner Berry (a member of the Central Committee of the Communist Party), and other Comrades at a Communist training school in Tennessee. King referred to Williams as "one of the noble personalities of our times."

Ralph David Abernathy was Martin Luther King's top aide from the time of the Montgomery Bus Boycott. He succeeded King as head of the S.C.L.C. Abernathy accompanied Dr. King to that Communist training school in Tennessee in 1957. And they had more than their radical commitment in common. In the 1958 case of *Alabama* v. *Davis*, sworn testimony was introduced regarding sexual aberrations committed by Abernathy on a 15-year-old girl who sang in the choir of his church.

Not only is Abernathy an active supporter of such Communist causes as the effort to free Communist Angela Davis, but in 1972 he was an honored guest of the Soviet Union and of Communist East Germany (G.D.R.), where he declared: "As pastor and theologian, I am of the opinion that the G.D.R. embodies what we aspire to in the world." Two hours before his departure he told a Communist Party press conference: "What we are still fighting for in the U.S.A. is what has already been achieved in the G.D.R."

The East German Communists gave Abernathy a medal, and reported that agents of their leading religious Front had "for many years" been in correspondence with Martin Luther King. They presented the "Reverend" Abernathy with a German edition of Coretta Scott King's *My Life With Martin Luther King*, and he declared: "President Kennedy once said in West Berlin that he was a Berliner. I want to change that and say: 'I am a Citizen of the [*Communist*] German Democratic Republic.' "

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LITTLE wonder that after lengthy investigation the Joint Legislative Committee on Un-American Activities for the State of Louisiana concluded in its three-part Report on the activities of S.C.E.F. that the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, headed by Martin Luther King, was "substantially under the control of the Communist Party through the influence of the Southern Conference Educational Fund [*S.C.E.F.*] and the Communists who manage it."

If Martin Luther King was "sick and tired of people saying this movement has been infiltrated by Communists and Communist sympathizers," it was because he knew it was true.

And so did J. Edgar Hoover and the F.B.I. Director Hoover spoke out many times to warn of Communist involvement in the "civil rights" movement. On one occasion, he said: "We do know that Communist influence does exist in the Negro movement and it is this influence which is vitally important." Hoover declared that the Communist Party "strives only to exploit what are often legitimate Negro complaints and grievances for the advancement of Communist objectives . . . . Racial incidents are magnified and dramatized by Communists in an effort to generate racial tensions."

Mrs. Julia Brown is a brave and gracious Negro lady who spent more than nine years as a member of the Communist Party in Cleveland, serving as an undercover operative for the Federal Bureau of Investigation. According to Mrs. Brown:

. . . Mr. King was one of the worst enemies my people ever had.

I know that it is considered poor taste to speak ill of the dead. But when someone served the enemies of our country while alive, and his name is still used by his comrades to promote anti-American activities, shouldn't people who know the truth speak out?

I learned many surprising things while I served in the Communist Party for the FBI. Communist leaders told us about the demonstrations that would be started, the protest marches, the demands that would be made for massive federal intervention. Every Communist was ordered to help convince American Negroes that we are no better off than slaves. Wherever we went and whatever we did, we were to promote race consciousness and resentment, because the Communists know that the technique of divide and conquer *really works.*

We were also told to promote Martin Luther King, to unite Negroes and whites behind him, and to turn him into some sort of national hero. We were to look to King as the leader *in this struggle, the Communists said, because he was on our side!*

I know they were right, because while I was in the Communist Party I learned that Martin Luther King attended a Communist training school. I learned that several of his aides and assistants were Communists, that he received funds from Communists, and that he was taking directions from Communists.

Most Americans never look at the

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Communist press in this country. If they did, they would learn that the Communists loved Martin Luther King. He was one of their biggest heroes. And I know for a fact the Communists would never have promoted him, financed him, and supported him if they couldn't trust *him. He carried out their orders just as slavishly as Party members in Cleveland, Ohio.*

Little wonder that F.B.I. Director J. Edgar Hoover called Martin Luther King "the most notorious liar in the country."

We do not know what additional information Mr. Hoover had on King, but after years of electronic surveillance he certainly knew much more than we have been able to present in this brief survey from the public record. Yet the Senate Intelligence Committee has refused to release the F.B.I. file on King. They chose instead to attack the F.B.I. for using "dirty tricks," and members of the Committee staff said "they could find no justification for the bureau's attack on Dr. King." Incredibly, a U.P.I. release on November 19, 1975, declared: "A top FBI official said Wednesday that the Bureau had no legal justification for its smear campaign against Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. but suspected, without evidence, he might be under 'Communist influence.' "

"*Suspected, without evidence. . . .*" That is, as we have seen, simply not true. And the distortion is intended to damage the reputation of both the F.B.I. and the late Director J. Edgar Hoover.

John J. McDermott, Assistant Director of the F.B.I., spoke on November 21, 1975, before a Connecticut group which aids families of policemen, firemen, and corrections officers killed in the line of duty. He said the F.B.I.'s six-year surveillance of Martin Luther King was justified because of concern that King was influenced by subversives. He put it this way: "We did what we felt we had to do for the welfare of the nation at the time. Don't forget they [*radicals and Communists*] were bombing the Pentagon. They said they were going to shut down the government." Another F.B.I. official reminded us that the King projects "were started at a time when cities were being burned . . . ."

We believe most Americans would agree that our law enforcement authorities should keep under surveillance any person or group about which there is substantial evidence of involvement in such crimes as revolutionary violence, Communist subversion, and conspiracy with agents of a foreign power to overthrow the U.S. Government by force and violence. To the extent the F.B.I. maintained such surveillance under J. Edgar Hoover, we heartily applaud its efforts. ■■

Reprints of this copyrighted article, "The King File," are available at ten for one dollar from The Review Of The News, Belmont, Massachusetts 02178

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, LOUISVILLE (100-4583)

SUBJECT: HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS (MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.)

Re Louisville teletype to the Bureau dated 3/20/77.

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau is one (1) tape cassette recording of pertinent portions of WHAS-TV "News Conference" which was taped on 3/18/77 at Louisville, Kentucky and broadcast on Channel 11 (WHAS-TV) at 12:30 PM on 3/20/77, wherein M. G. "GENE" SNYDER, U. S. Representative, 4th Congressional District, Kentucky, reveals allegation against three (3) unnamed "FBI Officers" and others involving purported "offer" to assassinate MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., details of which previously furnished Bureau by referenced communication.

Also enclosed for Bureau are two (2) copies of "Courier-Journal" news article captioned "SNYDER GIVES PANEL ALLEGATION OF PLOT TO ASSASSINATE KING", which was furnished to Bureau by telecopier facsimile on 3/20/77.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
(ATTN: CONGRESSIONAL INQUIRY UNIT, SPECIAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION)

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

RE: HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS; BUREAU DEADLINE September 23, 1977

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Re Bureau teletype to Atlanta and other offices dated 8/17/77.

Two copies each of documents corresponding to request made in referenced Bureau teletype are being forwarded in four boxes via registered mail to the Bureau.

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Due to the large number of documents being submitted by Los Angeles, no individual listing of these documents is being set forth. For the purpose of insuring that the Bureau is in receipt of all documents submitted by Los Angeles, these documents have been packaged in 48 separate bundles corresponding to the volumes of the Los Angeles file from which they were obtained. The copies have been maintained separately so there are 24 bundles which are duplicated once. There should be, therefore, two bundles each which are marked as follows:

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For the additional information of the Bureau, the following 1-A exhibits contained in the Los Angeles "MURKIN" file were not documents and consequently could not be xeroxed and forwarded to the Bureau:

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la13	Photos of RITA STEIN (5/18/67)
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la33	Obscene material - photos mailed to ERIC S. GALT
la34	Photo of PAUL OSBORN BRIDGEMAN
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la98	Photo of JAMES EARL RAY and WALTER T. RIFE
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FROM: ADIC, LOS ANGELES (62-7841) (1) (RUC)

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DEADLINE September 23, 1977

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Office of the Attorney General
Washington, D. C. 20530

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

August 15, 1977

Honorable Louis Stokes
Chairman
House Select Committee on Assassinations
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C. 20515

Dear Mr. Chairman:

This is to confirm that pursuant to your request copies of two memoranda concerning Dr. Martin L. King, Jr., have been supplied to your Committee's staff. These memoranda are Memorandum dated 9 April 1976 for the Attorney General from the Assistant Attorney General, Civil Rights Division, and the Memorandum dated March 31, 1976, to the Assistant Attorney General, Civil Rights Division, from the Chief, Criminal Section of that Division.

The copies which have been provided have been excised to protect highly sensitive national security information.

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By memoranda dated June 6, 1977, and July 21, 1977, the Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation, has brought to my attention certain matters which the FBI feels constitute inaccurate or incomplete statements in these memoranda. In the opinion of the FBI as reflected by these memoranda, these items are as follows:

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"(1) Page 5, paragraph 2, Murphy memorandum - states that the King investigation was continuously handled by SA Seymor Phillips. Actually, Phillips' supervision of the case ended in late 1965.

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"(2) Page 34, Paragraph 1, Murphy memorandum - contains information regarding mail openings, which should be excised as a sensitive investigative technique.

cc: FBI/Att: Mr. Aldhizer

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"(3) Paragraph 1, page 34, of the Murphy memorandum contains a statement, "Electronic surveillance of the Convention was widespread . . ." (Democratic Convention, Atlantic City, New Jersey, August, 1964). The manner and context in which this statement appears very strongly imply that there was an electronic surveillance (by the FBI) on the floor or elsewhere in the Auditorium where the Convention took place. We know of no such electronic surveillance by us or anyone else. In point of fact, the FBI did have two electronic surveillances in effect in Atlantic City during the period of the Convention. One was a telephone surveillance on an individual at a hotel. The other was a microphone surveillance at a storefront jointly occupied by two organizations. We believe that the implication of an FBI electronic surveillance at the Convention site is of such serious significance that the facts in this matter should be brought to the attention of the HSCA in any furnishing to it of the Murphy memorandum.

"(4) Page 44, Paragraph 2, Murphy memorandum - states that former Assistant Director William C. Sullivan took the tapes and stationery and later gave Phillips a package to deliver to SA Whitson. Phillips has no knowledge regarding to whom this package was to be delivered. In addition, he was unaware of the package contents or the purpose of its delivery.

"(5) Page 46, Paragraph 1, Murphy memorandum - incorrectly states that SA Leinbaugh was the originator of the Lorraine Hotel "COINTELPRO activity."

"(6) Page 9 of the Pottinger report contains a statement, "The files reflect that the Bureau's action, especially in mailing of the tape, . . ." (This refers to a mailing of a tape to the King household in Atlanta, Georgia). From all records available at the FBI there appears to be no doubt that a tape was mailed to the King family. There is no record in our files, nor has any individual come forward with any information, to indicate that the mailing of the tape was an official FBI action. Rather, the indication is

that the mailing of the tape was by an individual who was then an Assistant Director of the FBI but with no indication it was with the approval of any higher authority, including the late Director, J. Edgar Hoover. We have previously indicated this position to the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence Activities (Church Committee) and to the Department. It is believed that our position relating to the mailing of the tape should be made known to the HSCA in the event it is furnished the Pottinger report."

Very truly yours,

Robert L. Keuch

Robert L. Keuch
Special Counsel to
the Attorney General

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Ray lawyer dismisses story of plot in Louisville to kill King

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Snyder gives panel allegation of plot to assassinate King

By JIM ADAMS
Courier-Journal Staff Writer

U.S. Rep. Gene Snyder, R-4th District, said yesterday that he had turned over to the House Assassinations Committee an allegation that FBI agents and police plotted to kill Dr. Martin Luther King.

Snyder said that in late February he received a letter from "a former policeman" who claims he was twice offered $100,000 to kill King.

Snyder made his comments yesterday while taping a WHAS-TV News Conference program, which will be broadcast at 12:30 p.m. tomorrow on WHAS television and radio.

Snyder would not reveal the name of the former policeman making the charge, or the names of three FBI agents and several policemen who allegedly were involved in the plot. Snyder said he declined to name the police force that the man worked on for more than 10 years.

Snyder made no connection between the offer allegedly made to the policeman and the actual killing of King.

"I have always had confidence in the major law enforcement agencies of this country, and I had to assume that what they determined (about the slaying) was correct," Snyder said. "Now I think this is something that needs to be investigated."

Richard A. Sprague, the Philadelphia attorney who is chief counsel for the assassinations committee, last night confirmed that Snyder had turned over material containing the allegation, but refused to answer questions about it.

"The matter you refer to has been referred to the committee and is under investigation," he said by telephone from Philadelphia.

King was slain in Memphis, Tenn., in 1968, and James Earl Ray was convicted of killing him. The House committee last fall began investigating the assassinations of King and President John F. Kennedy. The committee's funding expires March 31.

Snyder, who voted against the committee initially, told The Courier-Journal in an interview last night that he will [illegible] the allegation brought to him.

Snyder said he had no explanation for why the policeman brought the charges to him rather than directly to the committee. The policeman asked Snyder to put him in touch with the committee, the congressman said.

He said the former policeman had attempted to turn a tape recording of the $200,000 offer over to Ray's attorneys, but finally was asked by one of the attorneys' investigators "where he planned to hide it if he tried to do anything with the tape."

Asked if he believes the man's allegation, Snyder said, "I don't know. But I think charges such as this need to be investigated."

Snyder said he has discussed the charges with U.S. Rep. Samuel L. Devine of Ohio, the ranking minority member on the committee. He said Devine, a former FBI agent, checked into the man's background and found him to be "a solid citizen." Devine could not be reached last night.

Snyder told WHAS, "I have talked to him (the policeman) personally and in my opinion he appears to be a responsible citizen. . . ."

He told the television station, "He (the former officer) was approached to assassinate Martin Luther King. He names three FBI officers, he names three or four prominent people at that time in the police department. He indicates that the offer was made on two occasions in his automobile where he had a tape recorder, that he taped those items. One of them (the tapes) was stolen, the other he still has."

Snyder said the man went to Washington and either appeared before the committee or was interviewed by its staff. Snyder said the committee has the tape. Asked if he has a copy of the tape,

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HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS (DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.)

FOR THE INFORMATION OF THE BUREAU, THE NOVEMBER 23, 1976 EDITION OF THE "COMMERCIAL APPEAL", A DAILY NEWSPAPER AT MEMPHIS, REFLECTS THAT INVESTIGATORS FOR THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ARE CURRENTLY IN MEMPHIS REVIEWING RECORDS OF THE KING MURDER WHICH ARE NOW IN THE POSSESSION OF THE SHELBY COUNTY, TENNESSEE ATTORNEY GENERAL. SUBPOENAS HAD PREVIOUSLY BEEN SERVED ON THE SHELBY COUNTY ATTORNEY GENERAL.

TO DATE, THIS OFFICE HAS HAD NO CONTACT WITH THE HOUSE COMMITTEE INVESTIGATORS.

THE ABOVE BEING FURNISHED FOR THE BUREAU'S INFORMATION.

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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 November 3, 1977, Item 6, which requested information from files of FBI Headquarters concerning the Ku Klux Klan in Birmingham, Los Angeles, Atlanta and Louisville during the period 1967 through 1968.

By letter from Mr. Blakey to the Attorney General dated November 8, 1977, under Item (e), the above request was held in abeyance until the FBI could provide a list of the most appropriate case agents in the office of origin for the several Klan organizations in existence in 1967 and 1968. This letter requested access to all material related to the United Klans of America (UKA) for the period 1965 and 1966 and that the material be ready for inspection by November 20, 1977.

By letter from Mr. Blakey to the Attorney General dated November 9, 1977, the above requests were further modified. Under Item A (1) & (2), this letter requested sub-files or investigative reports concerning the UKA, Louisville, Kentucky, and the Louisville-based Independent Klan for the years 1965 and 1966. This material was desired by November 20, 1977. Material pertaining to the UKA in other cities named above, with the addition of Memphis, St. Louis and New Orleans, (Item B (1)) was not needed by November 20, 1977.

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House Select Committee on Assassinations
U. S. House of Representatives

Retrievable information in FBI Headquarters files pertaining to Klan activities in Louisville, Kentucky, during 1965 and 1966 has been prepared for the Committee's access subject to the usual excisions or deletions. Where information is not provided it is either not retrievable from Headquarters files or is not being produced pursuant to the Memorandum of Understanding.

Based on pertinent files available at FBI Headquarters, the agent most knowledgable regarding Klan activities in Louisville, Kentucky, during the period 1965 through 1968 was Warren L. Walsh, retired.

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The Honorable Griffin R. Bell
Attorney General of the United States
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Attention: Mr. Robert L. Keuch
Deputy Assistant Attorney
Criminal Division
Room 2113

Dear Mr. Attorney General:

Pursuant to our investigation into the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., we hereby request that all reports, materials and files in the possession of the F.B.I. pertaining to the following individuals and organizations be made available to the Committee and its staff:

1. Lawrence J. Callanan (deceased) Steamfitters Union (AFL) Local 562, St. Louis, Mo. for the Period 1967 through 1971.

2. National States Rights Party, 591 Cherokee, Marietta, Georgia, for the period 1967 through 1968, but limited to reports and information in areas covered by offices in Savannah, Ga.; Atlanta, Ga.; Memphis, Tn.; Birmingham, Al.; St. Louis, Mo.; and Springfield, Ill.

3. Jesse B. Stoner, 591 Cherokee, N.W., Marietta, Ga.

4. Conservative Society of America for the period 1967 through 1968. (Headquarters in New Orleans, La.

5. Kent Courtney, 1413 Texas Avenue, Alexandria, La., for the period 1967 through 1968.

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6. KKK (limited to reports or information in areas covered by offices in Birmingham, Alabama, Los Angeles, California, Atlanta, Georgia and Louisville, Kentucky during the period 1967 through 1968).

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7. Morris Davis, RFD, Hoover, Shelby County, Ala.

8. White Citizens Council (racist organization) for the period 1967 through 1968, limited to reports or information in areas covered by offices in New Orleans, La.; Birmingham, Ala.; and Memphis, Tenn.

9. Forever White, (racist organization) for the period 1967 through 1968, limited to reports or information in areas covered by offices in New Orleans, La; Baton Rouge, La.; Birmingham, Ala.; and Memphis, Tenn.

10. Charles Joseph Stein, dob 5/11/29.

11. Percy Belcher, ex-deputy Sheriff, Birmingham, Alabama, for the period 1967 through 1968.

12. Robert Powers, Powers Junction, Intersection Highways 11 and 90, Orleans Parrish, Louisiana, for the period 1967 through 1968.

13. Sam DiPiazza, Pamela Place, Chalmette, Louisiana, for the period 1967 through 1968.

14. Dr. Lucas DiLeo - (office) 8603 St. Bernard Highway, Chalmette, Louisiana, for the period 1967 through 1968.

15. Salvadore L. Licciardi (Liccardi), New Orleans, Louisiana for the period 1967 through 1968.

16. Gus Joseph Prosch, dob 11/17/30, 3122 Callecita, Sacremento, California. (Arrested in Birmingham, Alabama in December, 1971 and convicted of violating Gun Control Act in 1972.)

17. Quentin B. Davis, owner of Gun Rack, Birmingham, Alabama for the period 1967 through 1968.

18. Clifford Andrews (aka, R. L. Warren), Box 75, Toronto 14, Ontario, Canada.

19. Walter Jack Youngblood, Monticello Street, Dallas, Texas.

20. Johnny Benelli, #303, 175 North Orange Drive, Los Angeles, California, for the period 1967 through 1968.

21. Claude Cockrell, dob 5/10/36, FBI # 389804E, for the period 1967 through 1968.

22. Gene Pearson Crawford, dob 10/2/27 for the period 1967 through 1968.

23. Fleet Edwards, dob 2/4/21 for the period 1967 through 1968.

24. Raoul Esquivel - (Raul Victor Esquibel), dob 11/17/26, 4524 Parsimmon, Metairie, La. (This request includes, but is not limited to, Bureau File 44-26940.)

25. Southern Christian Leadership Conference

    a. General file, for the period 1962 through 1968.

    b. Cointelpro file, for the period 1962 through 1968.

26. James Bevel, for the period 1965 through 1968.

27. Rev. Jessie Jackson, Chicago, Ill., for the period 1965 through 1968.

28. Vincent DePaul Stelly, 4434 5th Ave., Los Angeles, California for the period 1967 through 1968.

29. Jerome Wallis Vernon, Home Service Laundry and Dry Cleaning, 5280 Hollywood Blvd., Los Angeles, California for the period 1967 through 1968.

30. Rev. James Orange, South Carolina for the period 1965 through 1968.

31. Rev. Bernard Lee, Atlanta, Ga., for the period 1965 through 1968.

32. Allan Lee Stoddard, "Vegas Club", 5510 Hollywood Blvd., Los Angeles, California, for the period 1967 through 1968.

33. Robert Byron Watson, SS# 253-86-2220, Atlanta, Ga.

34. Martin Luther King, Jr. for the period 1962 through 1968. (This request pertains to material exclusive of the Murkin File and the SCLC files and should include all information regarding threats to Dr. King.

35. Herman A. Thompson, 10454 Goodwood Blvd., Baton Rouge, La., (former deputy sheriff in Baton Rouge).

Your prompt attention to these matters will be greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours,

G. Robert Blakey

G. Robert Blakey
Chief Counsel and Director

GRB:MCE:ek
cc: Mr. Danny O. Coulson

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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 of the Select Committee on Assassinations into the death of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., a conference was held on November 7, 1977 between employees of the FBI and members of the Committee staff to discuss the Committee's November 3, 1977 letter of request for FBI materials on thirty-five individuals or organizations. As a result of this meeting, the following was resolved:

(a) The FBI would process the following numbered requests as they were originally stated in the November 3rd letter: 1, 4, 5, 7, 9-11, 13-24, 26, 28-33 and 35.

(b) The Committee would provide dates of births on the individuals in requests nos. 12 and 27 before the FBI would process these names. The dob on Robert J. Powers (request no. 12) is 6/5/24. The dob on Reverend Jesse Jackson (request no. 27) is 10/8/41.

(c) Besides providing the complete file on request no. 3 (Jesse B. Stoner), the FBI would also make available the most appropriate case agent(s) in the office of origin assigned to Stoner for the period 1966 through 1968.

(d) With respect to request no. 2, the FBI would provide all the materials in its files at headquarters for 1967 and 1968 as well as make available the appropriate case agent(s) in the office of origin for the same period.

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(e) With respect to request no. 6, the Committee would hold in abeyance such a request until the FBI provides a list of the most appropriate case agent(s) in the offices of origin for the several Klan organizations in existence in 1967 and 1968. (While such was not part of the understanding reached at the time of the meeting with FBI officials, the Committee would request however that all materials related to the United Klan of America for the period 1965 and 1966 be made ready for inspection by November 20, 1977.)

(f) With respect to request no. 8, the FBI would first advise the Committee as to the identity of other cities reporting on the White Citizens Council before a determination be made as to the final content of this request.

(g) With respect to request no. 25, the Committee will hold in abeyance such a request until the FBI makes available the most appropriate case agent(s) for the period in question.

(h) With respect to request no. 34, the Committee requests that only the thirteen "death threat" files on Dr. King be processed at this time, while a request for all other materials is held in abeyance until the FBI makes available the most appropriate case agent(s).

In Addition, the Committee would also request that the following agents be notified and made available by the FBI:

(1) Special Agent William F. Kusch - New Orleans
Special Agent Thomas E. Duhadway - New Orleans

(2) Special Agent Jack B. Simpson - ~~Memphis~~ ATLANTA
Special Agent Richard H. Davis - ~~Memphis~~ ATLANTA
Special Agent Jack T. Beverstein - ~~Memphis~~ ATLANTA

As a priority item, it is also requested that the FBI provide the Committee with the work or personnel records of the following three Louisville FBI agents for the month of September 1965:

(1) Robert Peters

(2) William Duncan

(3) Bernard Brown

We are primarily interested in those records reflecting their whereabouts during the month in question. If available, these records should be provided by November 15, 1977. The Committee would also ask that all three of the above-mentioned Louisville agents be made available for interview by the same date.

Your prompt attention to these matters will be greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours,

G. Robert Blakey
Chief Counsel and Director

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cc Mr. Danny O. Coulson

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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 the investigation by the Select Committee on Assassinations into the death of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., it is requested that the FBI provide the following materials by November 20, 1977:

A. 1. The sub-files or investigative reports from Louisville, Kentucky on the United Klan of America for the years 1965 and 1966.

2. All documents and investigative reports on the Louisville-based Independent Klan for the years 1965 and 1966.

B. In addition it is requested that the following materials be prepared (but are not needed by November 20, 1977):

1. Sub-files or investigative reports on the United Klan of America for the period 1967 and 1968 for the following cities:

a) Birmingham, Alabama Sub 4
b) Atlanta, Georgia 2
c) Memphis, Tennessee 28
d) St. Louis, Missouri 42
e) New Orleans, Louisiana 33
f) Los Angeles, California 26
g) Louisville, Kentucky 27

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2. All documents and investigative reports for any other Klan organization with offices in any of the cities listed in paragraph (B)(1) above for the period 1967 and 1968.

(The requests formulated in Paragraphs A and B above modify and replace request no. 6 in the Committee's letter of November 3, 1977).

In addition, based on further discussions between the Committee staff and members of the FBI and a review of an FBI inventory of files pertaining to Dr. King, request no. 34 in the same Committee letter of November 3, 1977 is modified to the following extent:

1. It is requested that the FBI not prepare the main security file on Dr. King for inspection by the Committee until the Committee first has the opportunity to speak with the most appropriate case agent(s) in the office of origin for the period 1967 and 1968. It is requested that any such agent be made available by November 30, 1977.

2. Of the remaining volumes on Dr. King, it is requested that the FBI prepare for inspection by the Committee those twenty-seven files indicated by staff Counsel Michael Eberhardt in his conference with the FBI on November 8, 1977. (In addition, it is requested that the FBI check the nature of the six volumes appearing on the inventory which are on microfilm.)

With respect to the Committee letter of October 7, 1977 requesting interviews with various FBI agents, the following list of agents represented those who should be made available by the FBI on a priority basis:

1. Thomas Duhadway ✓
2. William Kusch ✓
3. Thomas Colarelli ✓
4. Patrick J. Collins, Jr. ✓
5. Rene Dumain
6. Ramon Stratton ✓
7. Robert Haines ✓
8. Joe C. Hester
9. George J. Bonebrake ✓
10. Robert Frazier

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The Committee is ready to interview these agents on an immediate basis.

In addition to the ten priority agents listed above, the following two agents, not previously requested, should also be included on a priority basis:

1. Robert F. Boyle - Memphis
2. Harvey E. Glyfe - Memphis

Your prompt attention to these matters will be greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours,

G. Robert Blakey

G. Robert Blakey
Chief Counsel and Director

cc: Mr. Danny O. Coulson

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

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November 17, 1977

1 - Mr. Monahan
1 - Mr. Peelman
1 - Mr. Foster
1 - Mr. Aldhizer
1 - Legal Counsel

Director, FBI

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

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Reference is made to letter to the Attorney General from G. Robert Blakey, Chief Counsel and Director, HSCA, dated November 3, 1977, Item 6, which requested information from files of FBI Headquarters concerning the Ku Klux Klan in Birmingham, Los Angeles, Atlanta and Louisville during the period 1967 through 1968.

By letter from Mr. Blakey to the Attorney General dated November 8, 1977, under Item (e), the above request was held in abeyance until the FBI could provide a list of the most appropriate case agents in the office of origin for the several Klan organizations in existence in 1967 and 1968. This letter requested access to all material related to the United Klans of America (UKA) for the period 1965 and 1966 and that the material be ready for inspection by November 20, 1977.

By letter from Mr. Blakey to the Attorney General dated November 9, 1977, the above requests were further modified. Under Item A (1) & (2), this letter requested sub-files or investigative reports concerning the UKA, Louisville, Kentucky, and the Louisville-based Independent Klan for the years 1965 and 1966. This material was desired by November 20, 1977. Material pertaining to the UKA in other cities named above, with the addition of Memphis, St. Louis and New Orleans, (Item B (1)) was not needed by November 20, 1977.

Enclosed are two copies of a memorandum which advises that material concerning the Louisville Klan, and desired by November 20, 1977, is available for HSCA access at FBI Headquarters.

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

NOTE: The HSCA is interested in reviewing information concerning the Louisville UKA and an Independent Klan Group, Louisville, on an expedite basis. The material is limited because the HSCA restricted its request to the years 1965 and 1966. The UKA was not established in Louisville until 1967 and the Independent Group did not come into existence until 1969.

Telephonic contact with Louisville confirmed SA Walsh as the case Agent on Klan matters for the period 1965 through 1968.

Purpose of this communication showing partial response is to comply with HSCA deadline. Material to respond to other items in HSCA letters is being processed.

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

November 28, 1977

1 - Mr. Monahan
1 - Mr. Peelman
1 - Mr. Foster
1 - Mr. McGirl
1 - Legal Counsel

Director, FBI

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

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

Reference is made to a letter to the Attorney General from G. Robert Blakey, Chief Counsel and Director, HSCA, dated November 10, 1977, requesting access to Bureau file 105-66233, serial 2560, pages 1, 4 and 10, and serial 2569, pages 1 and 2.

Enclosed are the original and two copies of a memorandum which responds to the above request. You are requested to furnish a copy of the enclosed memorandum to the HSCA.

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

NOTE: By request dated 11/10/77, the HSCA requested access to Bureau file 105-66233, serial 2560, pages 1, 4 and 10, and serial 2569, pages 1 and 2, which had previously been deleted from the materials prepared for the Committee pursuant to the Bureau's receipt of its request dated 3/9/77, relating to Gerald Ray.

A review of Bureau files reveals that these documents were deleted due to their being classified "Confidential." On 7/15/77, subsequent to the Bureau's preparation of the requested material for the Committee, the above requested documents were declassified.

In accordance with the Committee's current request, Bureau file 105-66233, serial 2560, pages 1, 4 and 10, and serial 2569, pages 1 and 2, have been prepared for the Committee's access.

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1 - Mr. Monahan
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HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS
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Reference is made to a letter to the Attorney General from G. Robert Blakey, Chief Counsel and Director, HSCA, dated November 10, 1977, requesting access to FBI file 105-66233, serial 2560, pages 1, 4 and 10, and serial 2569, pages 1 and 2.

When the FBI initially processed the Committee request dated March 9, 1977, relating to Gerald Ray, the above documents were classified, "Confidential," and, therefore, were deleted from the material prepared for the Committee's access. These documents have since been declassified and are available for the Committee's access subject to the usual excisions and deletions.

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ORIGINAL AND TWO 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 11/28/77, captioned, "House Select Committee on Assassinations, U. S. House of Representatives (HSCA)."

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Select Committee on Assassinations
U.S. House of Representatives
3331 HOUSE OFFICE BUILDING, ANNEX 2
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20515

November 10, 1977

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 Select Committee on Assassinations into the death of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., and pursuant to paragraph I(B)(2) of the Memorandum of Understanding, it would be appreciated if you could make available to me for inspection the following deleted materials:

	File and Serial	Pages	section
1.	105-66233 - 2560	1, 4, 10	77
2.	105-66233 - 2569	1, 2	

These materials were provided as part of FBI materials relating to Jerry Ray not found in the main MURKIN file. The volume containing these references generally includes material on Jerry Ray from the NSRP files.

Your prompt attention to this matter will be greatly appreciated.

Respectfully,

G. Robert Blakey

G. Robert Blakey
Chief Counsel and Director

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cc: Danny Coulson

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February 6, 1978

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

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

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 death of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., it has been learned that the St. Louis Field Office engaged in an effort to secure bank records of the Ray family. It is therefore requested that the FBI provide this Committee with copies of any financial and/or bank records obtained in the investigation of the following during the period 1967-1968:

1) James Earl Ray
2) Jerry Ray (brother)
3) John L. Ray (brother)
4) Carol Pepper (sister)
5) Albert Pepper (brother-in-law)
6) Pepper Printing Company
7) Pepper Stationery Company

We are cognizant of the difficulties involved with respect to the Bureau's indexing system and compliance with this request as stated (i.e. financial and/or bank records). However, we solicit your earnest attempts in compliance with this request.

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Sincerely,

G. Robert Blakey

G. Robert Blakey
Chief Counsel and Director

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Select Committee on Assassinations
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February 15, 1978

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

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

Attention: Robert L. Keuch
Deputy Assistant Attorney General
Criminal Division

Dear Mr. Attorney General:

In connection with the investigation by this Committee into the death of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., it is requested that the FBI deliver to the Committee the following files and materials:

1. Washington Spring Project file for the period September 1, 1967 through May 31, 1968.

2. FBI Manuals of Instruction (MOI) in use during 1962 - 1968.

3. Personal file of William Sullivan.

4. 1974 Petersen Report on COINTELPRO

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Your prompt attention to this matter is greatly appreciated.

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Respectfully,

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G. Robert Blakey

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cc: Danny Coulson

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December 30, 1977
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HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS
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Reference is made to letter to the Attorney General from G. Robert Blakey, Chief Counsel and Director, HSCA, dated December 9, 1977.

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

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1 - Office of Legislative Affairs (Enclosure)

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

NOTE: HSCA letter of 12/9/77, requested if any electronic surveillance was conducted against four individuals and the National States Rights Party (NSRP). The HSCA only desired confirmation as to the existence of such electronic surveillance and did not desire the results of any surveillance.

The NSRP was subject of electronic surveillance during 5/6-7/59, (MISUR), Atlantic Hotel, Chicago, Illinois; 3/19-20/60, (MISUR), Midway Lodge, Miamisburg, Ohio; 6/16/62, (MISUR), LaSalle Hotel, Chicago, Illinois.

On 8/27/62, authority was granted for a microphone surveillance of the NSRP, actually the rooms of Edward R. Fields and J. B. Stoner, at the Whitley Hotel, Montgomery, Alabama. June files of the NSRP, Fields and Stoner do not show that this surveillance was actually installed.

During our investigation concerning the desegregation of the University of Alabama in 1963, authority was received from the Department to install technical coverage of the residence of Fields and/or the NSRP Headquarters in Birmingham, Alabama, and the residence of Stoner in Mableton, Georgia. Installations were not made, however, because telephone companies involved were unable to insure complete security. (Bufile 157-778)

During our investigation into the church bombing (BAPBOMB) in 1963, technical surveillance of NSRP Headquarters, actually the residence of James K. Warner, Birmingham, Alabama, was conducted from 10/25/63, to 11/25/63. (Bufile 157-1025)

On 2/27/64, authority was granted for microphone coverage of the NSRP convention, Louisville, Kentucky, but no actual installation was made for security reasons. However, installation was made on the room of Fields at the Sheraton Hotel, Louisville. Coverage was from 2/28/64, to 3/1/64. Authorization was specifically granted for Fields' room and not for the NSRP.

Except as outlined above, no additional electronic surveillance was approved or conducted against Fields.

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

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In addition to the above, Stoner was subject of technical surveillance during the BAPBOMB investigation. This coverage was from 10/10/63, to 2/28/64, at his residence in Atlanta.

The above review is being reported in the event the HSCA asks for additional information regarding these surveillances. Information was obtained from review of June files of NSRP, Stoner, Fields, BAPBOMB and desegregation of the University of Alabama.

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1 - Mr. Monahan
1 - Mr. Peelman
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1 - Legal Counsel
December 30, 1977

HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS
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Reference is made to letter to the Attorney General from G. Robert Blakey, Chief Counsel and Director, HSCA, dated December 9, 1977, which requested information from FBI Headquarters files in the investigation of Martin Luther King's assassination. This letter requested that the FBI determine if any of the following were subjects of electronic surveillance by the FBI:

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Jesse B. Stoner
Dr. Edward Fields
Richard Geppert
Terence Lee Rose
National States Rights Party (NSRP)

A review of appropriate records at FBI Headquarters disclosed that the NSRP, Jesse B. Stoner and Dr. Edward Fields were subjects of electronic surveillance by the FBI. FBI Headquarters records contain no indication that other individuals listed above, Richard Geppert and Terence Lee Rose, were subjects of electronic surveillance by the FBI.

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

NOTE: See Director, FBI, letter to Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, Attention: Mr. Robert L. Keuch, dated 12/30/77, captioned, "House Select Committee on Assassinations, U. S. House of Representatives (HSCA)."

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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 death of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., it is requested that the Federal Bureau of Investigation review its files on electronic surveillance to determine whether any of the following individuals were the subject of any such surveillance:

1. Jesse B. Stoner
2. Dr. Edward Fields
3. Richard Geppert
4. Terence Lee Rose

It is also requested that a similar determination be made as to whether any electronic surveillance was implemented with respect to the investigation by the Federal Bureau of Investigation into the activities of the National States Rights Party.

At this time the Committee only desires a confirmation as to the existence or non-existence of such electronic surveillance with no reference to the results of such surveillance.

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Your prompt attention to this matter will be greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours,

G. Robert Blakey
Chief Counsel and Director

cc: Danny O. Coulson

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

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November 25, 1977

1 - Mr. Monahan
1 - Mr. Peelman
1 - Mr. Foster
1 - Mr. McGirl
1 - Mr. Mintz (Attn: Mr. Coulson)

Director, FBI

HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS
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Reference is made to a letter to the Attorney General from G. Robert Blakey, Chief Counsel and Director, HSCA, dated November 3, 1977, requesting access to material in the files of the FBI pertinent to seventeen listed individuals.

Based on descriptive information furnished by the Committee pertaining to the seventeen individuals, retrievable information identifiable with eight of these individuals has been prepared for Committee access subject to the usual excisions and deletions.

Enclosed are the original and two copies of a memorandum which responds to the above request. You are requested to furnish a copy of the enclosed memorandum to the HSCA.

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1 - Mr. McGirl

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1 - Mr. Mintz (Attn: Mr. Coulson)

HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS
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Reference is made to a letter to the Attorney General from G. Robert Blakey, Chief Counsel and Director, HSCA, dated November 3, 1977, requesting access to material in the files of the FBI pertaining to:

Sheila Marie Bradinini
Earl Wayne Cobble
John Constantine
Denis Gordon DeMacedo
Charles Clarence Eberhardt
Patricia Eberhardt
Mary Francis Evans
Robert Kilpatrick
Maurice Jay Kutner
Jeanette Maroff
John H. Maroff
Jeannette Rosenson
Margaret Jane Rosenson
Ruth Ellen Rosenson
Wanda Rosenson
Richard Yarbrough
William Young

Retrievable information in FBI Headquarters files identifiable with Bradinini, Cobble, C. Eberhardt, Evans, Kilpatrick, Kutner, M. Rosenson and Yarbrough has been prepared for the Committee's access subject to the usual excisions and deletions. Where information is not provided, it is either not retrievable from FBI Headquarters files, it is not being produced pursuant to the Memorandum of Understanding or it is not being provided pursuant to an agreement with a Committee staff member modifying this request.

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ORIGINAL AND TWO SENT TO MR. ROBERT L. KEUCH, DEPUTY ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL, CRIMINAL DIVISION.

NOTE: See Director, FBI, letter to Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, Attention: Mr. Robert L. Keuch, dated 11/25/77, captioned, "House Select Committee on Assassinations, U. S. House of Representatives (HSCA)."

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Assistant Attorney General
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Attention: Mr. Robert L. Keuch

NOTE: This responds to a request dated 11/3/77, from HSCA for all information contained in Bureau files relative to seventeen listed individuals. This request has been coordinated with the Legal Counsel Division.

A review of Bureau files has identified some main files, references and ident records for eight of the seventeen individuals. None of the documents identified appear to have any relationship to MURKIN.

On 11/19/77, Michael C. Eberhardt, Staff Counsel, HSCA, was advised by SA John T. McGirl that a review of Bureau files re Richard Yarbrough, one of the above listed individuals, revealed that he was listed along with eight other persons as the subject of two related ITAR matters (166-1570; 166-3249). Yarbrough was the only subject of these two investigations not indicted or convicted. Mr. Eberhardt advised, in view of this fact, coupled with the fact it did not appear that these investigations would have any bearing on the HSCA's present inquiry, it was not necessary for both of these files to be prepared in their entirety for the Committee's access. He stated it would be sufficient to prepare only those documents where reference is made to Yarbrough.

In accordance with HSCA's request and the agreement reached with Mr. Eberhardt, retrievable documents in FBI Headquarters file have been prepared for the Committee's access and are being maintained by the Congressional Inquiry Unit.

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The Honorable Griffin B. Bell
Attorney General of the United States
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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:

In connection with the Committee's investigation into the circumstances surrounding the death of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., we would appreciate: (1) the complete FBI Identification Division criminal records and (2) any DOJ file references for the years 1962-1969 concerning the below-mentioned individuals. The information following each name might prove helpful in locating the requested information:

Bradinini, Sheila Marie; W-F; dob 3/9/41; last known address (1966) Box 81-A, Highway 90, West Beach, Biloxi, Miss.; C.I. for FBI.

Cobble, Earl Wayne, aka Fred Patton; W-M; dob 12-13-36; pob Atlanta, Georgia; last known address (1966) 1311 28th St., Gulfport, Miss.; Mother, Helen Cobble; last known address (1966) 635 Stevens St., Toledo, Ohio.

Constantine (Constantino), John (Jack); W-M; dob 5/28/42; Originally from Ohio, now lives in Miami, Florida area.

DeMacedo, Denis Gordon; W-M; dob 7/7/38; pob Victoria, B.C., Canada; SSAN: [JFK Act 6 (3)]; current address: 501 Grand Canal Drive, Miami, Florida.

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Eberhardt, Charles ("Chuck") Clarence; W-M; dob 10/14/37; pob New Orleans, La.; SSAN: JFK Act 6 (3); last known address (1966) 3101 Sage Road, Houston, Texas; Mother, Mrs. O.O. Fouter; last known address (1966) 1827 Abundance St., New Orleans, La.; arrested in Gulfport, Miss. on Narcotics charges in 1966.

Eberhardt, Patricia; W-F; pob Laurel, Miss.; SSAN: JFK Act 6 (3); Father, Edward Huttle of Laurel, Mississippi; Mother, Bernice Drake, P.O. Box 204, Ocean Springs, Miss. (1966).

Evans, Mary Francis; W-F; dob 11/24/42; last known address (1966) 104 E. Water St., Biloxi, Mississippi.

Kilpatrick, Robert; W-M; dob 10/6/43; pob New York, N.Y.; last known address (1966), 3721 Link Valley Dr., Houston, Texas; arrested in Gulfport, Miss. on narcotics charges in 1966.

Kutner, Maurice Jay; W-M; dob 5/19/40; SSAN: JFK Act 6 (3) current address, 8961 SW 124th St., Miami, Florida (Home); Suite 900, Roberts Building, 28 West Flagler Street, Miami, Florida (Ofc.) Admitted to Florida Bar 6/7/65; BBA, U. of Miami 1/30/62.

Maroff, Jeanette, nee Desmarais; W-F; dob 12/2/20; pob Minneapolis, Minn.; present address, 14300 SW 86th Avenue, Miami, Florida.

Maroff, John H.; W-M; dob 4/10/07; pob Iron River, Michigan; present address, 14300 SW 86th Avenue, Miami, Florida; Proprietor of Rare Bird Animal Farm, Inc. at same address.

Rosenson, Jeannette, nee Burkes; W-F; dob 2/4/40; pob Picayune, Mississippi; present address, 1 Fountainbleu Drive, New Orleans, La.; employed by Louisiana Regional Purchasing Dept., 1441 Canal Street New Orleans, La.

Rosenson, Margaret ("Peggy") Jane, nee Jacobsen; W-F; dob 6/3/43; pob Jersey City, New Jersey; SSAN: JFK Act 6 (3); current address 1687 West 68th Street, Hialeah, Florida.

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Rosenson, Ruth Ellen, nee Freund; W-F; dob 4/25/46; pob Brooklyn, New York; SSAN: JFK Act 6 (3); current address, 8830 SW 68th Court, Miami, Florida.

Rosenson, Wanda nee Self: W-F; dob 12/1/47; pob Leesville, Louisiana; current address, P.O. Box 3811, Front Street Branch, Memphis, Tennessee.

Yarbrough, Richard, W-M; dob 1929; current address, Home - Route 2, Box 31, Pass Christian, Mississippi; Mailing - P.O. Box 1138 Gulfport, Mississippi; Attorney; Office - 616 Klondike Center, Long Beach, Mississippi.

Young, William, W-M; dob 11/14/22; pob Casper, Wyoming; present address, 10111 Joel Avenue, Riveredge, Kenner, Louisiana; self-employed contractor for Mastercraft Contractor Co.

Your prompt attention to this request will be most appreciated.

Very truly yours,

G. Robert Blakey

G. Robert Blakey
Chief Counsel and Director

cc: Danny O. Coulson

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HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS (HSCA).

RE ST. LOUIS TELETYPE TO BUREAU, JANUARY 27, 1978, CAPTIONED AS ABOVE.

BY LETTER RECEIVED THIS DATE AT ST. LOUIS OFFICE FROM SL 1495-E (FORMER), SOURCE ADVISED HE HAS "CHANGED HIS MIND" ABOUT BEING INTERVIEWED BY HSCA. SOURCE NOW UNWILLING TO BE INTERVIEWED AND WANTS "TO BE KEPT OUT OF IT."

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Reference is made to letters to the Attorney General from G. Robert Blakey, Chief Counsel and Director, HSCA, dated November 3, 1977, November 8, 1977, and November 9, 1977, which requested, among other items, material from FBI Headquarters files concerning Klan organizations in several cities.

Enclosed are two copies of a memorandum which advises that all other material concerning the Klan, as requested by the HSCA in referenced letters, is available for HSCA access at FBI Headquarters. Material to respond to other items requested in referenced letters is being processed. It is requested you furnish a copy of the enclosed memorandum to the HSCA.

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1 - Office of Legislative Affairs (Enclosure)

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

NOTE: This letter confirms completion regarding Item 6 of the 11/3/77, request; Item (e) of the 11/8/77, request; and Items B(1) and B(2) of the 11/9/77, request.

In addition to the United Klans of America, the Committee asked for information on other Klan groups active in cities listed in its request of 11/9/77. In an effort to identify these groups, White-Hate control files for each office were reviewed. These files for the years 1967-1968 were processed for Committee access as well as any other Klan group active during these years.

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Reference is made to letters to the Attorney General from G. Robert Blakey, Chief Counsel and Director, HSCA, dated November 3, 1977, Item 6, November 8, 1977, Item (e), and November 9, 1977, Items B(1) and B(2), which requested material from FBI Headquarters files concerning Klan organizations in several cities. This material was desired in connection with the HSCA's investigation into the assassination of Martin Luther King, Jr.

The above HSCA letter of November 9, 1977, modified previous letters of November 3, 1977, and November 8, 1977, and requested the following:

B(1) Subfiles or investigative reports on the United Klans of America for the period 1967 and 1968 for the following cities: Birmingham, Alabama; Atlanta, Georgia; Memphis, Tennessee; St. Louis, Missouri; New Orleans, Louisiana; Los Angeles, California, and Louisville, Kentucky.

B(2) All documents and investigative reports for any other Klan organization with offices in any of the cities listed in paragraph B(1) above for the period 1967 and 1968.

In response to Item 1 above, subfiles of the United Klans of America for the period 1967-1968 in the above listed cities have been processed and are available for HSCA access at FBI Headquarters.

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

NOTE: See Director, FBI, letter to Assistant Attorney General Criminal Division, Attention: Mr. Robert L. Keuch, dated 12/14/77, captioned, "House Select Committee on Assassinations, U. S. House of Representatives (HSCA).

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In response to Item 2 above, information concerning the following Klan organizations has been processed and is available for review at FBI Headquarters:

National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (KKK) - active in states which included Alabama, Georgia, Missouri, Louisiana and California.

Original Knights of the KKK - active in various counties in Louisiana.

White Knights of the KKK of Mississippi, Bogalusa, Louisiana.

White Knights of the KKK of Louisiana, Monroe, Louisiana.

Universal Klans of America, St. Bernard Louisiana.

Catholic Klan of Bogalusa, Louisiana.

Knights of the KKK - various counties in Georgia.

White-Hate control files (which included Klan activities) for FBI offices of Birmingham, Atlanta, Memphis, St. Louis, New Orleans, Los Angeles, and Louisville.

Where information is not provided it is either not retrievable from Headquarters files or is not being produced pursuant to the Memorandum of Understanding.

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

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

Dear Mr. Attorney General:

Pursuant to our investigation into the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., we hereby request that all reports, materials and files in the possession of the F.B.I. pertaining to the following individuals and organizations be made available to the Committee and its staff:

1. Lawrence J. Callanan (deceased) Steamfitters Union (AFL) Local 562, St. Louis, Mo. for the Period 1967 through 1971.

2. National States Rights Party, 591 Cherokee, Marietta, Georgia, for the period 1967 through 1968, but limited to reports and information in areas covered by offices in Savannah, Ga.; Atlanta, Ga.; Memphis, Tn.; Birmingham, Al.; St. Louis, Mo.; and Springfield, Ill.

3. Jesse B. Stoner, 591 Cherokee, N.W., Marietta, Ga.

4. Conservative Society of America for the period 1967 through 1968. (Headquarters in New Orleans, La.

5. Kent Courtney, 1413 Texas Avenue, Alexandria, La., for the period 1967 through 1968.

6. KKK (limited to reports or information in areas covered by offices in Birmingham, Alabama, Los Angeles, California, Atlanta, Georgia and Louisville, Kentucky during the period 1967 through 1968).

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7. Morris Davis, RFD, Hoover, Shelby County, Ala.

8. White Citizens Council (racist organization) for the period 1967 through 1968, limited to reports or information in areas covered by offices in New Orleans, La.; Birmingham, Ala.; and Memphis, Tenn.

9. Forever White, (racist organization) for the period 1967 through 1968, limited to reports or information in areas covered by offices in New Orleans, La; Baton Rouge, La.; Birmingham, Ala.; and Memphis, Tenn.

10. Charles Joseph Stein, dob 5/11/29.

11. Percy Belcher, ex-deputy Sheriff, Birmingham, Alabama, for the period 1967 through 1968.

12. Robert Powers, Powers Junction, Intersection Highways 11 and 90, Orleans Parrish, Louisiana, for the period 1967 through 1968.

13. Sam DiPiazza, Pamela Place, Chalmette, Louisiana, for the period 1967 through 1968.

14. Dr. Lucas DiLeo - (office) 8603 St. Bernard Highway, Chalmette, Louisiana, for the period 1967 through 1968.

15. Salvadore L. Licciardi (Liccardi), New Orleans, Louisiana for the period 1967 through 1968.

16. Gus Joseph Prosch, dob 11/17/30, 3122 Callecita, Sacremento, California. (Arrested in Birmingham, Alabama in December, 1971 and convicted of violating Gun Control Act in 1972.)

17. Quentin B. Davis, owner of Gun Rack, Birmingham, Alabama for the period 1967 through 1968.

18. Clifford Andrews (aka, R. L. Warren), Box 75, Toronto 14, Ontario, Canada.

19. Walter Jack Youngblood, Monticello Street, Dallas, Texas.

20. Johnny Benelli, #303, 175 North Orange Drive, Los Angeles, California, for the period 1967 through 1968.

21. Claude Cockrell, dob 5/10/36, FBI # 389804E, for the period 1967 through 1968.

22. Gene Pearson Crawford, dob 10/2/27 for the period 1967 through 1968.

23. Fleet Edwards, dob 2/4/21 for the period 1967 through 1968.

24. Raoul Esquivel - (Raul Victor Esquibel), dob 11/17/26, 4524 Parsimmon, Metairie, La. (This request includes, but is not limited to, Bureau File 44-26940.)

25. Southern Christian Leadership Conference

    a. General file, for the period 1962 through 1968.

    b. Cointelpro file, for the period 1962 through 1968.

26. James Bevel, for the period 1965 through 1968.

27. Rev. Jessie Jackson, Chicago, Ill., for the period 1965 through 1968.

28. Vincent DePaul Stelly, 4434 5th Ave., Los Angeles, California for the period 1967 through 1968.

29. Jerome Wallis Vernon, Home Service Laundry and Dry Cleaning, 5280 Hollywood Blvd., Los Angeles, California for the period 1967 through 1968.

30. Rev. James Orange, South Carolina for the period 1965 through 1968.

31. Rev. Bernard Lee, Atlanta, Ga., for the period 1965 through 1968.

32. Allan Lee Stoddard, "Vegas Club", 5510 Hollywood Blvd., Los Angeles, California, for the period 1967 through 1968.

33. Robert Byron Watson, SS# 253-86-2220, Atlanta, Ga.

34. Martin Luther King, Jr. for the period 1962 through 1968. (This request pertains to material exclusive of the Murkin File and the SCLC files and should include all information regarding threats to Dr. King.

35. Herman A. Thompson, 10454 Goodwood Blvd., Baton Rouge, La., (former deputy sheriff in Baton Rouge).

Your prompt attention to these matters will be greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours,

G. Robert Blakey

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Chief Counsel and Director

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cc: Mr. Danny O. Coulson

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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 of the Select Committee on Assassinations into the death of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., a conference was held on November 7, 1977 between employees of the FBI and members of the Committee staff to discuss the Committee's November 3, 1977 letter of request for FBI materials on thirty-five individuals or organizations. As a result of this meeting, the following was resolved:

(a) The FBI would process the following numbered requests as they were originally stated in the November 3rd letter: 1, 4, 5, 7, 9-11, 13-24, 26, 28-33 and 35.

(b) The Committee would provide dates of births on the individuals in requests nos. 12 and 27 before the FBI would process these names. The dob on Robert J. Powers (request no. 12) is 6/5/24. The dob on Reverend Jesse Jackson (request no. 27) is 10/8/41.

(c) Besides providing the complete file on request no. 3 (Jesse B. Stoner), the FBI would also make available the most appropriate case agent(s) in the office of origin assigned to Stoner for the period 1966 through 1968.

(d) With respect to request no. 2, the FBI would provide all the materials in the files at headquarters for 1967 and 1968 as well as make available the appropriate case agent(s) in the office of origin for the same period.

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(e) With respect to request no. 6, the Committee would hold in abeyance such a request until the FBI provides a list of the most appropriate case agent(s) in the offices of origin for the several Klan organizations in existence in 1967 and 1968. (While such was not part of the understanding reached at the time of the meeting with FBI officials, the Committee would request however that all materials related to the United Klan of America US for the period 1965 and 1966 be made ready for inspection by November 20, 1977.)

(f) With respect to request no. 8, the FBI would first advise the Committee as to the identity of other cities reporting on the White Citizens Council before a determination be made as to the final content of this request.

(g) With respect to request no. 25, the Committee will hold in abeyance such a request until the FBI makes available the most appropriate case agent(s) for the period in question.

(h) With respect to request no. 34, the Committee requests that only the thirteen "death threat" files on Dr. King be processed at this time, while a request for all other materials is held in abeyance until the FBI makes available the most appropriate case agent(s).

In Addition, the Committee would also request that the following agents be notified and made available by the FBI:

(1) Special Agent William F. Kusch - New Orleans
Special Agent Thomas E. Duhadway - New Orleans

(2) Special Agent Jack B. Simpson - Memphis ATLANTA
Special Agent Richard H. Davis - Memphis ATLANTA
Special Agent Jack T. Beverstein - Memphis ATLANTA

As a priority item, it is also requested that the FBI provide the Committee with the work or personnel records of the following three Louisville FBI agents for the month of September 1965:

(1) Robert Peters

(2) William Duncan

(3) Bernard Brown

We are primarily interested in those records reflecting their [illegible] records should be provided by November 15, 1977. The Committee would also ask that all three of the above-mentioned Louisville agents be made available for interview by the same date.

Your prompt attention to these matters will be greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours,

G. Robert Blakey
Chief Counsel and Director

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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 Select Committee on Assassinations into the death of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., it is requested that the FBI provide the following materials by November 20, 1977:

A. 1. The sub-files or investigative reports from Louisville, Kentucky on the United Klan of America for the years 1965 and 1966.

2. All documents and investigative reports on the Louisville-based Independent Klan for the years 1965 and 1966.

B. In addition it is requested that the following materials be prepared (but are not needed by November 20, 1977):

1. Sub-files or investigative reports on the United Klan of America for the period 1967 and 1968 for the following cities:

a) ✓Birmingham, Alabama 4
b) ✓Atlanta, Georgia 2
c) Memphis, Tennessee 28
d) St. Louis, Missouri 42
e) New Orleans, Louisiana 33
f) ✓Los Angeles, California 26
g) Louisville, Kentucky 27

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2. All documents and investigative reports for any other Klan organization with offices in any of the cities listed in paragraph (B)(1) above for the period 1967 and 1968.

(The requests formulated in Paragraphs A and B above modify and replace request no. 6 in the Committee's letter of November 3, 1977).

In addition, based on further discussions between the Committee staff and members of the FBI and a review of an FBI inventory of files pertaining to Dr. King, request no. 34 in the same Committee letter of November 3, 1977 is modified to the following extent:

1. It is requested that the FBI not prepare the main security file on Dr. King for inspection by the Committee until the Committee first has the opportunity to speak with the most appropriate case agent(s) in the office of origin for the period 1967 and 1968. It is requested that any such agent be made available by November 30, 1977.

2. Of the remaining volumes on Dr. King, it is requested that the FBI prepare for inspection by the Committee those twenty-seven files indicated by staff Counsel Michael Eberhardt in his conference with the FBI on November 8, 1977. (In addition, it is requested that the FBI check the nature of the six volumes appearing on the inventory which are on microfilm.)

With respect to the Committee letter of October 7, 1977 requesting interviews with various FBI agents, the following list of agents represented those who should be made available by the FBI on a priority basis:

1. Thomas Duhadway ✓
2. William Kusch ✓
3. Thomas Colarelli ✓
4. Patrick J. Collins, Jr. ✓
5. Rene Dumain
6. Ramon Stratton ✓
7. Robert Haines ✓
8. Joe C. Hester
9. George J. Bonebrake ✓
10. Robert Frazier

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The Committee is ready to interview these agents on an immediate basis.

In addition to the ten priority agents listed above, the following two agents, not previously requested, should also be included on a priority basis:

1. Robert F. Boyle - Memphis
2. Harvey E. Glyfe - Memphis

Your prompt attention to these matters will be greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours,

G. Robert Blakey

G. Robert Blakey
Chief Counsel and Director

cc: Mr. Danny O. Coulson

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To: SACs, Atlanta
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1 - Legal Counsel
(Mr. Coulson)
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From: Director, FBI (62-117290)

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The HSCA is currently conducting investigation into the assassination of President John F. Kennedy and Martin Luther King, Jr. In connection with the King matter, the HSCA has been advised that the National States Rights Party (NSRP), Jesse B. Stoner and Dr. Edward Fields were subjects of electronic surveillance by the FBI. The HSCA, by letter dated 2/8/78, requested access to FBI materials pertaining to electronic surveillances of these subjects during the period 1956 through 1965.

Appropriate records at FBIHQ disclosed the below information concerning electronic surveillance of the following subjects:

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(1) Subject of microphone surveillance during 5/6 - 7/59 at the Atlantic Hotel, Chicago, Illinois (CG 6323-C* (RAC)).

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(2) Subject of microphone surveillance during 3/19 - 20/60 at the Midway Lodge, Miamisburg, Ohio (CI 389-C* (RAC)).

(3) Subject of microphone surveillance on 6/16/62 at the LaSalle Hotel, Chicago, Illinois (CG 6556-S*).

(4) Subject of telephone surveillance from 10/25/63 to 11/22/63 at the NSRP Headquarters, also the residence of Jack K. Warner, 1865 Bessemer Road, Birmingham, Alabama. (BH 292-C*). This coverage was in connection with the BAPBOMB case (BHfile 157-352).

JESSE B. STONER

(1) Subject of telephone surveillance from 10/10/63 to 2/18/64 at his residence, 100 1/2 Hunter St., Atlanta, Georgia. (AT 1377-S* and AT 1378-S*) This coverage was also in connection with the BAPBOMB investigation (ATfile 66-825).

DR. EDWARD FIELDS

(1) Subject of microphone surveillance from 2/28/64 to 3/1/64 at the Sheraton Hotel, Louisville, Kentucky (LS 337-RAC*). This hotel was site of an NSRP convention but installation was not feasible except to cover the motel room of Fields.

It is noted that FBIHQ files reveal authorization of other electronic surveillances of the NSRP, but installation in those instances was not completed. The HSCA request is being interpreted to include only instances where actual surveillance was conducted.

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Receiving offices are requested to review pertinent indices and investigative files concerning instances of above electronic surveillance which occurred in your respective territories. Retrieve all material pertaining to the authorization, installation and removal of these surveillances and all communications, logs, and transcripts which contain surveillance results. Furnish one legible copy of all material.

Forward this material by cover airtel to FBIHQ, Attention: Congressional Inquiry Unit, Records Management Division, by COB 3/3/78.

NOTE: Bureau deadline is to insure prompt response to HSCA request.

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

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

December 29, 1977

1 - Mr. Monahan
1 - Mr. Peelman
1 - Mr. Foster
1 - Mr. McGirl
1 - Legal Counsel

Director, FBI

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

Reference is made to a letter to the Attorney General from G. Robert Blakey, Chief Counsel and Director, HSCA, dated December 2, 1977, requesting two copies each of photographs and documents located in the FBI's Los Angeles Office MURKIN 1A file.

Enclosed are the original and two copies of a memorandum responding to the above request. Attached to a copy of this memorandum, designated for the HSCA, are two copies each of the requested photographs and documents. You are requested to furnish a copy of this enclosed memorandum, with attachments, to the HSCA.

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Assistant Attorney General
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Attention: Mr. Robert L. Keuch

NOTE: By request dated 12/2/77, the HSCA requested two copies each of photographs and documents located in LA MURKIN file 44-1574A as follows: 1A 2, 4, 13, 31, 32, 34, 44, 48, 62, 65, 70, 71, 75, 88, 103, 107, 108 and LA MURKIN file 44-1574C - 1A 31.

Enclosed in the above 19 1A exhibits are photographs of James Earl Ray, Jerome W. Vernon, Rita Stein, J. C. Hardin, Myrial Tomaso, Paul Osborn Bridgeman, Dyrell Dennis, James Wilbourn Ashmore and a copy of an executed voluntary appearance form and agent's notes concerning the interview of Charles Calvin Bookman.

Pursuant to the Committee's request, the LA Office has forwarded the above 1A exhibits to the Bureau where two copies of each have been prepared for delivery to the Committee.

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1 - Mr. Monahan
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In accordance with the above request from the HSCA, two copies each of the above photographs and documents have been prepared and are being forwarded to the HSCA as an attachment to this memorandum.

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NOTE: See Director, FBI, letter to Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, Attention: Mr. Robert L. Keuch, dated 12/29/77, captioned, "House Select Committee on Assassinations, U. S. House of Representatives (HSCA)."

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The Honorable Griffin B. Bell
Attorney General of the United States
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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:

In connection with the investigation of the House Select Committee on Assassinations into the death of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., we would appreciate two copies of the following photographs in the possession of the Federal Bureau of Investigation in LA MURKIN File 44-1574A EXHIBITS Series 1A1:

(1) Copy of driver's license # D56162 from Jerome Wallis Vernon (1a2)

(2) Six photos - Jerome Wallis Vernon (1a4)

(3) Five photos - Rita Stein (1a13)

(4) Photo of J. C. Hardin (1a31)

(5) Photo of Muriel Tomaso (1a32)

(6) Photo - Paul Osborn Bridgman (1a34)

(7) Voter Registration Stub - signed Charles J. Stein (1a44)

(8) Negative - composite photo of Eric S. Galt, Jerome Wallis Vernon (1a48)

(9) Notes of interview with Charles Calvin Bookman (1a52)

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(10) Copies of Ray Photos - 1960 (1a65)

(11) Three photos of James Earl Ray taken 1/4/66 (1a70)

(12) Five double photos of Dyrell Dennis (1a71)

(13) Three photos of Eric Starvo Galt taken November, 1967 (Mexico City) (1a75)

(14) Two photos of James Wilbourne Ashmore (1a88)

(15) Two photos of Jerome Wallis Vernon (1a103)

(16) Three photos and one negative of James Earl Ray from U. S. Postal Inspection (1a107)

(17) Three photos of artist's conception of James C. Hardin (1a108)

Additionally, we would like two copies of the following photograph in LA MURKIN File 44-1574 C-1A31 which is one color photo of Tomas Lau and Eric S. Galt.

Your prompt attention to this request will be most appreciated.

Very truly yours,

G. Robert Blakey

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Chief Counsel and Director

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