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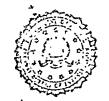
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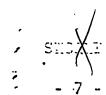
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Since communism thrives on discontent and chaos, racial violence, hatred, and bigotry are grist for the communist propaganda mill. A primary communist aim is to alienate the Negroes against established authority.



Czechoslovakian interest

Jiri Jambor, a Czechoslovakian national, recently returned to the United Nations as Political Affairs Officer, Political and Security Council Affairs of the United Nations Secretariat. Jambor has expressed interest in meeting rank-and-file members of the black nationalist movement in the United States, as well as interest in meeting with African students in the United States who believe the war in Vietnam is a racist war. He is willing to bear all expenses involved in arranging for such meetings.

Jambor was previously assigned to the United Nations in 1961, at which time he exhibited a great interest in African affairs. He is suspected of being an intelligence agent.

Cuban potential for involvement

Allegations have been received to the effect that the Government of Cuba is operating a training school for Negroes for the purpose of engaging in subversive operations against the United States. The purported objective is to bring about a Negro revolution in the United States.

While these allegations are largely unsubstantiated to date, the potential for the training of Negroes in Cuba certainly exists. C

The existence of Cuban Embassies in Mexico and Canada and the existence of the Cuban Mission to the United States in New York City, all heavily manned by trained intelligence agents, together with the interest expressed by Cuban officials in the black nationalist movement in this country, certainly accentuate the possibility of involvement by the Cubans in this movement. There is little restriction on the ease with which individuals affiliated with militant black nationalist groups in the United States can travel to Canada, Mexico and even to Cuba.

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BACKGROUND

By letter dated 8/25/67 the following offices were advised of the beginning of a Counterintelligence Program against militant Black Nationalist-Hate Groups:

Albany Memphis Atlanta Newark Baltimore New Orleans Boston New York Buffalo Philadelphia Charlotte Phoenix Chicago Pittsburgh Cincinnati Richmond Cleveland St. Louis Detroit San Francisco Jackson Washington Field: The State of the S Los Angeles

Each of the above offices was to designate a Special Agent to coordinate this program. Replies to this letter indicated an interest in counterintelligence against militant black nationalist groups that foment violence and several offices outlined procedures which had been effective in the past. For example, Washington Field Office had furnished information about a new Nation of Islam (NOI) grade school to appropriate authorities in the District of Columbia who investigated to determine if the school conformed to District regulations for private schools. In the process WFO obtained background information on the parents of each pupil.

The Revolutionary Action Movement (RAM), a pro-Chinese communist group, was active in Philadelphia, Pa., in the summer of 1967. The Philadelphia Office alerted local police, who then put RAM leaders under close scrutiny. They were arrested on every possible charge until they could no longer make bail. As a result, RAM leaders spent most of the summer in jail and no violence traceable to RAM took place:

The Counterintelligence Program is now being expanded to include 41 offices. Each of the offices added to this program should designate an Agent familiar with black

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nationalist activity, and interested in counterintelligence, to coordinate this program. This Agent will be responsible for the periodic progress letters being requested, but each Agent working this type of case should participate in the formulation of counterintelligence operations.

GOALS

For maximum effectiveness of the Counterintelligence Program, and to prevent wasted effort, long-range goals are being set.

- 1. Prevent the coalition of militant black nationalist groups. In unity there is strength; a truism that is no less valid for all its triteness. An effective coalition of black nationalist groups might be the first step toward a real "Mau Mau" in America, the beginning of a true black revolution.
- 2. Prevent the rise of a "messiah" who could unify, and electrify, the militant black nationalist movement. Malcolm X might have been such a "messiah;" he is the martyr of the movement today. Martin Luther King, Stokely Carmichael and Elijah Muhammed all aspire to this position. Elijah Muhammed is less of a threat because of his age. King could be a very real contender for this position should he abandon his supposed "obedience" to "white, liberal doctrines" (nonviolence) and embrace black nationalism. Carmichael has the necessary charisma to be a real threat in this way.
- 3. Prevent violence on the part of black nationalist groups. This is of primary importance, and is, of course, a goal of our investigative activity; it should also be a goal of the Counterintelligence Program. Through counterintelligence it should be possible to pinpoint potential troublemakers and neuralize them before they exercise their potential for violence.
- 4. Prevent militant black nationalist groups and leaders from gaining respectability, by discrediting them to three separate segments of the community. The goal of discrediting black nationalists must be handled tactically in three ways. You must discredit these groups and individuals to, first, the responsible Negro community. Second. they must be discredited to the white community.

both the responsible community and to "liberals" who have vestiges of sympathy for militant black nationalist simply because they are Negroes. Third, these groups must be discredited in the eyes of Negro radicals, the followers of the movement. This last area requires entirely different tactics from the first two. Publicity about violent tendencies and radical statements merely enhances black nationalists to the last group: it adds "respectability" in a different way.

A final goal should be to prevent the longrange growth of militant black nationalist organizations, especially among youth. Specific tactics to prevent these groups from converting young people must be developed.

Besides these five goals counterintelligence is a valuable part of our regular investigative program as it often produces positive information.

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Primary targets of the Counterintelligence Program. Black Nationalist-Hate Groups, should be the most violent and radical groups and their leaders. We should emphasize those leaders and organizations that are nationwide in scope and are most capable of disrupting this country. These targets should include the radical and violence-prone leaders, members, and followers of the:

> Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee (SNCC). Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC). Revolutionary Action Movement (RAM) Nation of Islam (NOI)

Offices handling these cases and those of Stokely Carmichael of SNCC, H. Rap Brown of SNCC, Martin Luther King of SCLC, Maxwell Stanford of RAM, and Elijah Muhammed of NOI, should be alert for counterintelligence suggestions.

INSTRUCTIONS

Within 30 days of the date of this letter each office should:

1. Advise the Bureau of the identity of the Special Agent assigned to coordinate this program.

- 2. Submit a very succinct summary of the black nationalist movement in the field office territory. Include name, number of members and degree of activity of each black nationalist group. Also state your estimate of each group's propensity for violence. This is for target evaluation only, not for record purposes. Second, list Rabble-Rouser Index subjects who are militant black nationalists and any other militant black nationalist leaders who might be future targets of counterintelligence action because of their propensity for violence. Include a minimum of background information on each person listed; a few descriptive sentences should suffice.
- 3. List those organizations and individuals you consider of such potential danger as to be considered for current counterintelligence action. Briefly justify each target.
- 4. Submit any suggestion you have for overall counterintelligence action or the administration of this program. Suggestions for action against any specific target should be submitted by separate letter.
- 5. Submit, by separate letter, suggestions for counterintelligence action against the targets previously listed as field-wide. These should not be general, such as "publicize Stokely Carmichael's travel to communist countries," but should be specific as to target, what is to be done, what contacts are to be used, and all other information needed for the Bureau to approve a counterintelligence operation.

Thereafter, on a ninety_day basis, each office is to submit a progress letter summarizing counterintelligence operations proposed during the period, operations effected, and tangible results. Any changes in the overall black nationalist movement should be summarized in this letter. This should include new organizations, new leaders, and any changes in data listed under number two above. Suggestions for counterintelligence operations should not be set cut in this progress letter. Use the following captions:

1. Operations Under Consideration, 2. Operations Being Effected, 3. Tangible Results, and 4. Developments of Counterintelligence Interest. These 90-day progress letters are due at the Bureau the first day of March, June, September, and December, excepting March, 1968.

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BACKGROUND

By letter dated 8/25/67 the following offices were advised of the beginning of a Counterintelligence Program against militant Black Nationalist-Hate Groups:

> Albany Atlanta Baltimore Boston Buffalo Charlotte Chicago Cincinnati Cleveland Detroit Los Angeles

Memphis Newark New Orleans New York Philadelphia Phoenix Pittsburgh Richmond St. Louis San Francisco Jackson Washington Field

Each of the above offices was to designate a Special Agent to coordinate this program. Replies to this letter indicated an interest in counterintelligence against militant black nationalist groups that foment violence and several offices outlined procedures which had been effective in the past. For example, Washington Field Office had furnished information about a new Nation of Islam (NOI) grade school to appropriate authorities in the District of Columbia who investigated to determine if the school conformed to District regulations for private schools. the process WFO obtained background information on the parents of each pupil.

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The Counterintelligence Program is now being expanded to include 41 offices. Each of the offices added to this program should designate an Agent familiar with black

nationalist activity, and interested in counterintelligence, to coordinate this program. This Agent will be responsible for the periodic progress letters being requested, but each Agent working this type of case should participate in the formulation of counterintelligence operations.

GOALS

For maximum effectiveness of the Counterintelligence Program, and to prevent wasted effort, long-range goals are being set.

- l. Prevent the coalition of militant black nationalist groups. In unity there is strength; a truism that is no less valid for all its triteness. An effective coalition of black nationalist groups might be the first step toward a real "Mau Mau" in America, the beginning of a true black revolution.
- 2. Prevent the rise of a "messiah" who could unify, and electrify, the militant black nationalist movement. Malcolm X might have been such a "messiah;" he is the martyr of the movement today. Martin Luther King, Stokely Carmichael and Elijah Muhammed all aspire to this position. Elijah Muhammed is less of a threat because of his age. King could be a very real contender for this position should he abandon his supposed "obedience" to "white, liberal doctrines" (nonviolence) and embrace black nationalism. Carmichael has the necessary charisma to be a real threat in this way.
- 3. Prevent violence on the part of black nationalist groups. This is of primary importance, and is, of course, a goal of our investigative activity; it should also be a goal of the Counterintelligence Program. Through counterintelligence it should be possible to pinpoint potential troublemakers and neutralize them before they exercise their potential for violence.
- 4. Prevent militant black nationalist groups and leaders from gaining respectability, by discrediting them to three separate segments of the community. The goal of discrediting black nationalists must be handled tactically in three ways. You must discredit these groups and individuals to, first, the responsible Negro community. Second, they must be discredited to the white community.

both the responsible community and to "liberals" who have vestiges of sympathy for militant black nationalist simply because they are Negroes. Third, these groups must be discredited in the eyes of Negro radicals, the followers of the movement. This last area requires entirely different tactics from the first two. Publicity about violent tendencies and radical statements merely enhances black nationalists to the last group; it adds "respectability" in a different way.

5. A final goal should be to prevent the long-range growth of militant black nationalist organizations, especially among youth. Specific tactics to prevent these groups from converting young people must be developed.

Besides these five goals counterintelligence is a valuable part of our regular investigative program as it often produces positive information.

TARGETS

Primary targets of the Counterintelligence Program, Black Nationalist-Hate Groups, should be the most violent and radical groups and their leaders. We should emphasize those leaders and organizations that are nationwide in scope and are most capable of disrupting this country. These targets should include the radical and violence-prone leaders, members, and followers of the:

Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee (SNCC) Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) Revolutionary Action Movement (RAM) Nation of Islam (NOI)

Offices handling these cases and those of Stokely Carmichael of SNCC, H. Rap Brown of SNCC, Martin Luther King of SCLC, Maxwell Stanford of RAM, and Elijah Muhammed of NOI, should be alert for counterintelligence suggestions.

INSTRUCTIONS

Within 30 days of the date of this letter each office should:

1. Advise the Bureau of the identity of the Special Agent assigned to coordinate this program.

- 2. Submit a very succinct summary of the black nationalist movement in the field office territory. Include name, number of members and degree of activity of each black nationalist group. Also state your estimate of each group's propensity for violence. This is for target evaluation only, not for record purposes. Second, list Rabble-Rouser Index subjects who are militant black nationalists and any other militant black nationalist leaders who might be future targets of counterintelligence action because of their propensity for violence. Include a minimum of background information on each person listed; a few descriptive sentences should suffice.
- 3. List those organizations and individuals you consider of such potential danger as to be considered for current counterintelligence action. Briefly justify each target.
- 4. Submit any suggestion you have for overall counterintelligence action or the administration of this program. Suggestions for action against any specific target should be submitted by separate letter.
 - 5. Submit, by separate letter, suggestions for counterintelligence action against the targets previously listed as field-wide. These should not be general, such as "publicize Stokely Carmichael's travel to communist countries," but should be specific as to target, what is to be done, what contacts are to be used, and all other information needed for the Bureau to approve a counterintelligence operation.

Thereafter, on a ninety_day basis, each office is to submit a progress letter summarizing counterintelligence operations proposed during the period, operations effected, and tangible results. Any changes in the overall black nationalist movement should be summarized in this letter. This should include new organizations, new leaders, and any changes in data listed under number two above. Suggestions for counterintelligence operations should not be set out in this progress letter. Use the following captions:

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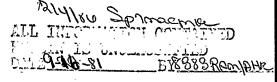


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St. Louis, Missouri May 19, 1968

on May 19,1968, at the Tandy Recreation Center in St. Louis a MALCOLM X Day was held sponsored by local Negro groups and attended by members of the SWP and various radical organizations in St. Louis. Meeting was scheduled to begin at twelve o'clock, however, because of failure to properly procure a meeting room the group was not allowed into the center and was compelled to hold their meeting on the steps. Chairman for the meeting was a TORRELL. TORRELL is 6'2" tall, Negro, 45 years of age, 160 pounds, and medium dark complexion. Others who were there included the following:

DERRICK MORRISON, who is a member of the SWP in New York City and who had come to St. Louis to serve as principal speaker commemorating MALCOLM X Day. MORRISON is approximately 6' tall, 210 pounds, 38 years of age, and a dark skin Negro.

Also present were the following:

RUTH POHLMAN, who is identified as a member of the PERCY GREEN group called ACTION; AUDREY ABRAMSON, who identified herself as a University of Missouri student who attends at the Normandy campus in St. Louis. She identified herself as a friend of TORRELL and implied she just came from his apartment; MARTY LIEBOWITZ, 6', 160 lbs., 30 years old.

black hair, sallow complexion, and a Mr. MC GILL, who implied that he is living with TORRELL in his apartment and who was complaining to other people that he had been highly molested by the Police Department of the City of St. Louis. about 45 years of age, 6' 1" tall, 230 pounds, dark skin Negro. DONALD WALKER, approximately 25 years of age, 5' 8", 175 lbs., light skin Negro. Mr. BROWN, one of the preliminary speakers. 6°. 27 years of age, 175 lbs., light skin Negro. Mr. and Mrs. is white, bearded, 6°, 170 Mr. A lbs., and approximately 45 years of age. is Negro, approximately 35 years of age, 5' 6" tall, 170 lbs., light skin Negress. Those present who have been previously identified by this writer included JIM HAMILTON, SOREN TOROIAN. DICK CLARKE and Mr. DINWIDDIE.

During the confusion of the period prior to actual meeting the size of the group ranged from 15 - 25 with various people coming and going. Four different groups of Black Muslims with Fol. This is a group trying to sell papers and selling tickets to an upcoming visit of CASSIUS CLAY.

Prior to the meeting TORRELL and his associates sold newspapers to the group. This newspaper was identified by TORRELL as an underground paper and AUDREY ABRAMSON said that it was edited by MARTY LIEBOWITZ. There were two speakers prior to MORRISON. Each speaker lauded MALCOLM X and pleaded with the

group to work closer with rank and file Negroes in gaining support. They spoke approximately five minutes each.

DEERICK MORRISON then spoke for approximately 15 minutes and he in turn recited many of MALCOLM X positions on the American Negro and the Negro movement throughout the world and in general made a specific point himself to express statements made by MALCOLM X, in effect, calling for solidarity among Negroes and asked people all over the world to work hand in hand toward removing the system which promotes colonialism and capitalism.

After the meeting the group went back to Tandy Center steps to hear a tape of a speech by MALCOLM X. The group was forced to go inside because of inclement weather. to meet again the following Sunday at group decided Loffingwell and Franklin Ave. to discuss the next steps by the MALCOLM X group. This next step will be the establishment of a "Wall of Respect". This wall will feature paintings of prominent Negro leaders to remind the Negro population of the work these people have done. Artists will be contacted to help with the art work. The group collected money and all present gave approximately 50¢ to \$1.00 to help MORRISON It was noted that there was a secret with his expenses. handshake between many of the people present. participated in this handshake which included a double

grasping of the hands, mutual grasping of the wrists, mutual grasping of the elbows and mutual grasping of the right shoulder. Before, during, and after the speech DERRICK MORRISON left the group to make three different phone calls. MORRISON had trouble with his plane fare and DICK CLARKE and SOREN TOROIAN drove him downtown to the Western Union Office to see if he could get money from New York City. When it was found that he would miss his five o'clock plane if he waited CLARKE voluntarily lent him the money until money from New York City came.

the money, \$40; was collected. MORRISON then implied that he was flying to Atlanta that night en route to North Carolina to speak on several campuses there. He did not specifically state which city in North Carolina he was going to. TORGIAN and MORRISON drove to the airport alone and there was a general discussion of the Negro movement throughout the United States as well as the assassination of KING. It was MORRISON's impression that KING was assassinated by an organized group in the South. He was left off at the airport at approximately 4:30.

During the meeting JIM HAMILTON implied that he was no longer going to Washington University and was teaching high school. He also stated that his wife worked for

a DAVE BURBANK at Washington University and he was interested in TOROIAN and HARRY VON ROMER coming to meetings. He inquired TOROIAN's phone number and address. DICK CLARKE told TOROIAN that he would be holding meetings at the German Free Thinkers and that he would be invited to attend these meetings to assist him in debate. MORRISON told TOROIAN that the Party would be sending youth workers to St. Louis after the national elections. Among various groups who attended the meeting were several individuals with the "Zulu's". This word was on their jackets.

All wore Black Power buttons as well as CORE buttons.

RUTH POHLMAN is approximately 35 years of age, 5° 4", 140 lbs., and black hair.

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St. Louis, Missouri May 19, 1968

on May 19,1968, at the Tandy Recreation Center in St. Louis a MALCOLM X Day was held sponsored by local Negro groups and attended by members of the SWP and various radical organizations in St. Louis. Meeting was scheduled to begin at twelve o'clock, however, because of failure to properly procure a meeting room the group was not allowed into the center and was compelled to hold their meeting on the steps. Chairman for the meeting was a Torrell. Torrell is 6'2" tall, Negro, 45 years of age, 160 pounds, and medium dark complexion. Others who were there included the following:

DERRICK MORRISON, who is a member of the SWP in

New York City and who had come to St. Louis to serve as

principal speaker commemorating MALCOLM X Day. MORRISON is
approximately 6' tall, 210 pounds, 38 years of age, and a

dark skin Negro.

Also present were the following:

RUTH POHLMAN, who is identified as a member of the PERCY GREEN group called ACTION; AUDREY ABRAMSON, who identified herself as a University of Missouri student who attends at the Normandy campus in St. Louis. She identified herself as a friend of TORRELL and implied she just came from his apartment; MARTY LIEBOWITZ, 6', 160 lbs., 30 years old,

black hair, sallow complexion, and a Mr. MC GILL, who implied that he is living with TORRELL in his apartment and who was complaining to other people that he had been highly molested by the Police Department of the City of St. Louis. about 45 years of age, 6' 1" tall, 230 pounds, dark skin Negro. DONALD WALKER, approximately 25 years of age, 5' 8", 175 lbs., light skin Negro. Mr. BROWN, one of the preliminary speakers, 6', 27 years of age, 175 lbs., light skin Negro. Mr. and Mrs. Hr. is white, bearded, 6°, 170 1bs.. and approximately 45 years of age. is Negro, approximately 35 years of age, 5' 6" tall, 170 lbs., light skin Negress. Those present who have been previously identified by this writer included JIM HAMILTON. SOREN TOROIAN, DICK CLARKE and Mr. DINVIDDIE.

During the confusion of the period prior to actual meeting the size of the group ranged from 15 - 25 with various people coming and going. Four different groups of Black Muslims with FOL. This is a group trying to sell papers and selling tickets to an upcoming visit of CASSIUS CLAY.

Prior to the meeting TORRELL and his associates sold newspapers to the group. This newspaper was identified by TORRELL as an underground paper and AUDREY APRAMSON said that it was edited by MARTY LIEBOWITZ. There were two speakers prior to MORRISON. Each speaker lauded MALCOLM X and pleaded with the

group to work closer with rank and file Negroes in gaining support. They spoke approximately five minutes each.

DERRICK MORRISON then spoke for approximately 15 minutes and he in turn recited many of MALCOLM X positions on the American Negro and the Negro movement throughout the world and in general made a specific point himself to express statements made by MALCOLM X, in effect, calling for solidarity among Negroes and asked people all over the world to work hand in hand toward removing the system which promotes colonialism and capitalism.

After the meeting the group went back to Tandy Center steps to hear a tape of a speech by MALCOLM X. The group was forced to go inside because of inclement weather. to meet again the following Sunday at group decided Leffingwell and Franklin Ave. to discuss the next steps by the MALCOLM X group. This next step will be the establishment of a "Wall of Respect". This wall will feature paintings of prominent Negro leaders to remind the Negro population of the work these people have done. Artists will be contacted to help with the art work. The group collected money and all present gave approximately 50¢ to \$1.00 to help MORRISON It was noted that there was a secret with his expenses. handshake between many of the people present. MORRISON participated in this handshake which included a double

grasping of the hands, mutual grasping of the wrists, mutual grasping of the elbows and mutual grasping of the right shoulder. Before, during, and after the speech DERRICK MORRISON left the group to make three different phone calls. MORRISON had trouble with his plane fare and DICK CLARKE and SOREN TOROIAN drove him downtown to the Western Union Office to see if he could get money from New York City. When it was found that he would miss his five o'clock plane if he waited CLARKE voluntarily lent him the money until money from New York City came.

the money, \$40, was collected. MORRISON then implied that he was flying to Atlanta that night en route to North Carolina to speak on several campuses there. He did not specifically state which city in North Carolina he was going to. TOROIAN and MORRISON drove to the airport alone and there was a general discussion of the Negro movement throughout the United States as well as the assassination of KING. It was MORRISON's impression that KING was assassinated by an organized group in the South. He was left off at the airport at approximately 4:30.

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During the meeting JIM HAMILTON implied that he was no longer going to Washington University and was teaching high school. He also stated that his wife worked for

a DAVE BURBANK at Washington University and he was interested in TOROIAN and HARRY VON ROMER coming to meetings. He inquired TOROIAN's phone number and address. DICK CLARKE told TOROIAN that he would be holding meetings at the German Free Thinkers and that he would be invited to attend these meetings to assist him in debate. MORRISON told TOROIAN that the Party would be sending youth workers to St. Louis after the national elections. Among various groups who attended the meeting were several individuals with the "Zulu's". This word was on their jackets.

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3) Tangible Results

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Each counterintelligence office should be alert to exploit this technique both for black nationalists and New Left types. Miami learned from sources that those who appeared on the show realized that it presented them in a most unfavorable light. One even complained to the television station about it. This counterintelligence operation will be of great value in the South Florida area

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2) Operations Being Effected.

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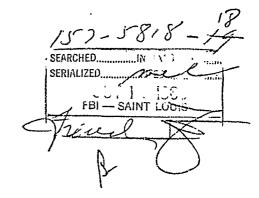
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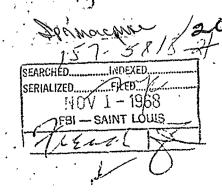
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ACTION, a local dissident group of CORE, is apparently drawing a close to the Black Liberators. One of the Black Liberators' favorite meeting place is the residence of PRECIOUS BARNES an ACTION leader.

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SAC Letter 67-66 (F) dated 11/7/67 instructed each office to submit a memorandum setting forth all information in its files concerning the above matter.

An analysis of field replies reveals that while evidence to date is lacking which would show the black nationalist movement is either under foreign control or direction, considerable data has been developed indicating varying degrees of foreign participation, influence and/or involvement among black nationalist groups and individual militants.

A copy of Bureau memorandum dated 1/11/68 contains the analysis of the field replies is enclosed for each office. All Agents handling nationalities intelligence matters, particularly those concerning Cuba and Red China, all Agents handling security matters and all Agents handling racial matters should familiarize themselves with the contents of this memorandum and be alert for any indications of significant contacts between representatives of foreign countries and black nationalists. Informants covering these matters should be alerted to the Bureau's interest in this matter. such information should be submitted to the Bureau under the above caption.

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SAC Letter 67-66 (F) dated 11/7/67 instructed each office to submit a memorandum setting forth all information in its files concerning the above matter.

An analysis of field replies reveals that while evidence to date is lacking which would show the black nationalist movement is either under foreign control or direction, considerable data has been developed indicating varying degrees of foreign participation, influence and/or involvement among black nationalist groups and individual militants.

A copy of Bureau memorandum dated 1/11/68 which contains the analysis of the field replies is enclosed for each office. All Agents handling nationalities intelligence matters, particularly those concerning Cuba and Red China, all Agents handling security matters and all Agents handling racial matters should familiarize themselves with the contents of this memorandum and be alert for any indications of significant contacts between representatives of foreign countries and black nationalists. Informants covering these matters should be alerted to the Bureau's interest in this matter. Any such information should be submitted to the Bureau under the above caption.

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OF 10 UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT MEMORANDUM

TO

: SAC, ST. LOUIS

DATE: 3/22/68

FROM

: SA JACK A. FRENCH

SUBJECT:

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The following sets forth background information regarding these groups and individuals.

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BEVEL, a megro, was born October 19, 1936, in Itta Bena, Mississippi, and attended the American Baptist Theology School in Nashville, Tennessee, from 1957 to 1961. He is currently employed as a staff member of the Urban Training Center for Christian Missions in Chicago.

In the spring of 1967, BEVEL was released by the Reverend MARTIN LUTHER KING's Southern Christian Leadership Conference to become National Director of the Spring Mobilization Committee to End the War in Vietnam. BEVEL has vigorously protested United States policy in Vietnam and has called President JOHNSON a murderer. He has also stated, "We here will decide what the Government will be when we take over."

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SELLERS was one of the ringleaders in the student revolt at South Carolina State College at Orangeburg, South Carolina, in February, 1968. He was shot and wounded during the revolt. He was also arrested in connection with this and released on \$20,000.00 bail.

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US was organized in July, 1965, in Los Angeles, California. RON KARENGA is the leader of this organization. KARENGA stated in June. 1966, the purpose of the organization, US, is to help the Afro-American identify himself by emphasizing the culture and history of the Afro-American. He stated the ultimate goal of US is to establish a cultural center, preferably in the Watts area of Los Angeles, California, for the purpose of teaching negro history and negro culture and provide training for negroes so they can learn trades, thus improving themselves economically.

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The members of this organization have on several occasions appeared in public carrying rifles, shotguns, and holstered pistols. However, there is no evidence that this group has planned or instigated any riots.

Current leaders of this organization as of the date of this writing are as follows:

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