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MEMORANDUM FOR: Legislative Counsel
 ATTENTION: Mr. Douglas Cummins
 FROM: Robert W. Gambino
 Director of Security
 SUBJECT: HSCA Request re Martin Luther King, Jr.
 and James Earl Ray (U)

1. (U) Action Requested: None; for information only.
2. (U) Background: Reference is made to the request dated 11 November 1977 from the House Select Committee on Assassinations (HSCA) regarding Agency files on Martin Luther King, Jr. and James Earl Ray. Attached to this memorandum as Tabs A and B are the requested documents. These documents have been sanitized for sources and methods information and third party information, but they have not been declassified. The following paragraphs specify in more detail the contents of each of the Tabs.
3. (U) Tab A-1 contains copies of the Office of Security originated documents in the file of Dr. King. Tab A-2 contains a document which originated in the Directorate of Operations (DDO) which should, therefore, be referred to the DDO for possible release to the HSCA. Tab A-3 describes the "Third Agency" documents in Dr. King's file.
4. (U) Tab B-1 contains the only Office of Security originated document in Mr. Ray's file. Tab B-2 contains DDO originated documents which should be referred to the DDO for possible release to the HSCA. Tab B-3 is a list of the Department of State documents in the file. There were no other "Third Agency" documents in the file.

[Handwritten signatures]
for Robert W. Gambino

Attachments

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