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It is noted that serial 1 of Memphis file 100-4553 regarding BUFORD VALLACE POSEY is an indices search slip (FD-160). This search slip listed the following file and serial numbers in addition to those enchosed: 100-2201-1, 2, 3, 4; 100-120-13; 100-2236-57; 100-0-4183-1A; 100-0-4183; 100-0-4335; 140-1.

The serial designated 100-0-4183-1A was forwarded to the New Orleans Office 12/12/50 and all the additional serials and files have been destroyed.

No additional information has been located in the Memphis Office regarding POSEY.

The Memphis Office is processing additional material regarding other individuals and will promptly submit it to the Bureau when the processing has been completed.

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May 23, 1978

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Letter #2

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

Attention: Mr. Robert L. Keuch

> Deputy Assistant Attorney General Criminal Division, Room 2113

Dear Mr. Attorney General:

4331435 By a letter dated April 12, 1978, the Committee requested that staff be provided access to the "informant files of all informants within the Invaders during 1968 . . . ".

It is now requested that the Memphis Field Office files for these same informants be prepared for access by the staff.

While the Committee feels that the procedure by which/I was permitted access to the first set of files was unacceptable' and contrary to the Memorandum of Understanding, pending future discussions to arrange to broaden access, this procedure may again be utilized.

It is my understanding that these files will be sanitized only to the extent necessary to protect the identity of the informants.

Again, the Committee reserves the right to request the production of the identity of the informants involved if such is deemed necessary to complete our investigation.

As time is extremely crucial in this matter, your prompt attention in seeing that these files are prepared on a priority basis is greatly appreciated. MAY 31 1978

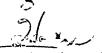
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FEDERAL CHEST

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

Attention: Mr. Robert L. Keuch

Deputy Assistant Attorney General

Criminal Division, Room 2113

Dear Mr. Attorney General:

The Subcommittee investigating the circumstances surrounding the death of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., has obtained authorization to be furnished any and all information under the Federal Bureau of Investigation's control concerning Coby V. Smith - date of birth 7/17/46.

Submitted herewith is a copy of Mr. Smith's release, and in accordance with same, it is requested that the FBI make access available to all BUFILES and Memphis Field Office files of any nature, pertaining to Mr. Smith.

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

Sincerely,

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I, the undersigned, hereby authorize the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) to release any and all information which it has or maintained concerning me, and/or which it has received or obtained from me, to the Select Committee on Assassinations of the United States House of Representatives (Committee) and its staff. By this authorization, I knowingly and voluntarily waive whatever rights I may have to withhold disclosure of information in the possession of the FBI to the Committee and its staff.

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RECENT REQUESTS OF CAPTIONED COMMITTEE INVOLVE FIELD OFFICE

FILES AND REFERENCES REGARDING THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS:

LEROY TAYLOR, AN ASSOCIATE OF IVY, BOTH OF WHOM WERE INVOLVED IN

RACIAL ACTIVITIES IN MEMPHIS DURING THE APPROXIMATE PERIOD OF

KING'S ASSASSINATION.

2. ARTHUR HANES, SR., OF BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA, AND SAMUEL
B. KYLES OF MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE. BOTH THESE INDIVIDUALS ARE WELL

KNOWN TO THE BIRMINGHAM AND MEMPHIS OFFICES, RESPECTIVELY.

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FILES AND REFERENCES CONCERNING IST-106LOR AND KYLES. BIRMING-

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SUCH EXIST ON THESE INDIVIDUALS, SINCE THEY HAVE FURNISHED

SIGNED STATEMENTS AUTHORIZING THE HSCA TO REVIEW ALL INFORMATION

CONCERNING THEMSELVES IN POSSESSION OF THE FBI. SUBMIT MATERIAL

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Teletype to Birmingham, Memphis Re: House Select Committee on Assassinations (HSCA) 62-117290

 $\frac{\text{NOTE:}}{\text{to prepare material desired by the HSCA.}}$  HSCA request dated 5/4/78 involves Taylor and Ivy. Request of 5/17/78 asked for information concerning Hanes and Kyles.

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HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS {HSCA}

REFERENCE JACKSON TELETYPE TO BUREAU APRIL 24, 1968, CAP-TIONED "MURKIN."

THE HSCA IS CURRENTLY CONDUCTING INVESTIGATION INTO THE ASSASSINATIONS OF JOHN F. KENNEDY AND MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. AND HAS REVIEWED VOLUMINOUS EXCISED DOCUMENTS REGARDING THE ASSASSINATION CASES AND RELATED INVESTIGATIONS. UPON REVIEW OF REFERENCED COMMUNICATION, THE HSCA DESIRES TO INTERVIEW INFORMANTS WHO SUPPLIED INFORMATION CONTAINED THEREIN. BY REQUEST DATED MAY 18, 1978, THE COMMITTEE REQUESTED THE FBI CONTACT THESE INFORMANTS TO DETERMINE IF THEY WOULD BE AGREEABLE TO INTERVIEW BY THE HSCA. THE ASSAULTED THE FIRE CONDUCTED PRIOR TO JUNE 2, 1978. REG-12 6 2 - 11729 7770

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{ATTN: M. V. HALE}

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INFORMATION IN REFERENCED COMMUNICATION WAS PROVIDED BY THE FOLLOWING FORMER INFORMANTS:

- J. JN 340-R, BUREAU FILE 170-1565, JACKSON FILE 170-459, OPERATED BETWEEN AUGUST, 1967 APRIL, 1973.
- 2. JACKSON 337-R, BUREAU FILE 170-1518, JACKSON FILE 170-457, OPERATED BETWEEN JULY, 1967 NOVEMBER, 1973.

JACKSON ATTEMPT TO CONTACT INFORMANTS AND ADVISE EACH THAT
THE HSCA DESIRES TO INTERVIEW THEM CONCERNING INFORMATION THEY
PROVIDED IN REFERENCED COMMUNICATION. THEY SHOULD BE TOLD THAT
TO THE FBI'S KNOWLEDGE, THE HSCA IS NOT AWARE OF THEIR RELATION—
SHIP WITH THE FBI OR THEIR IDENTITIES. DETERMINE IF THE INFOR—
MANTS HAVE ANY OBJECTION TO BEING INTERVIEWED BY REPRESENTATIVES
OF THE HSCA. IF THERE ARE NO OBJECTIONS TO INTERVIEW, INFOR—
MANTS SHOULD BE FURNISHED THE IDENTITIES AND TELEPHONE NUMBER
OF THE FOLLOWING HSCA PERSONNEL IN ORDER THAT INFORMANTS CAN
TELEPHONICALLY CONTACT THE HSCA AND MAKE THEIR OWN ARRANGEMENTS
FOR INTERVIEW. INFORMANTS CAN THEREFORE PERSONALLY NEGOTIATE
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PETER BEESON, BOTH HSCA STAFF ATTORNEYS, WHO CAN BE CONTACTED

COLLECT AT 202-225-8353. UPON CALLING, INFORMANTS SHOULD FUR
NISH THEIR IDENTITIES AND ADVISE THEY WERE THE INDIVIDUALS WHO

PROVIDED THE JACKSON OFFICE OF THE FBI INFORMATION CONCERNING

ACTIVITIES AT JOHN'S CAFE, LAUREL, MISSISSIPPI, IN APRIL, 1968.

SUTEL RESULTS OF CONTACT WITH INFORMANTS TO FBIHQ, ATTEN-'
TION: CONGRESSIONAL INQUIRY UNIT, RECORDS MANAGEMENT DIVISION.

EXPEDITE IN VIEW OF COMMITTEE'S DESIRE TO INTERVIEW INFORMANTS,

IF AGREEABLE, PRIOR TO JUNE 2, 1978.

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Teletype to Jackson

Re: House Select Committee on Assassinations (HSCA)

62-117290

<u>NOTE</u>: This teletype confirms telephonic contact with Jackson Office on 5/24/78.

Referenced teletype concerns information provided by these informants regarding the whereabouts of White Hate subjects Deavours Nix and Samuel Bowers at the approximate time of King's assassination.

If informants are located and refuse HSCA interview, the Committee will be advised. If informants agree to interview, having them initiate contact with the HSCA is the best method of handling this situation because we can avoid furnishing the HSCA informants' identities.

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Select Committee on Assassinations

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May 23, 1978

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

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

62-117290

Attention: Mr. Robert L. Keuch

Deputy Assistant Attorney General

Criminal Division, Room 2113

Dear Mr. Attorney General:

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

> 1) Prepare for delivery, the following serials:

157-166-142 157-166-263 157-166-341 157-166-353 157-166-431 157-9146-x39 157-8460-2x 100-4105-1 100-4105-10 100-4105-15 100-4105-16 100-4105-61 - plus enclosure 100-4105-63 - plus enclosure 100-4105-66 100-4105-67 100-4105-68 TZ MAY 26 1978 100-4105-79 **10**0-4105-89

All of the serials referenced above have been previously prepared for access. However, it would be greatly appreciated

The Honorable Griffin B. Bell May 23, 1978 Page 2

if they could be supplied on a priority basis by the close of business of May 23, 1978.

Your earnest effort and cooperation is sincerely appreciated.

.Sincerely,

G. Robert Blakey

Chief Counsel and Director

GRB; ghd

cc: Danny Coulson

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

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

Dear Mr. Attorney General:

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

- 1) Provide for Committee use, (delivery) photographic copies of all artist's composites of suspects, produced by the FBI in the course of the MURKIN investigation, along with the names of the sources (witnesses) whose descriptions were actually used in the construction of the various FBI composite drawings.

Q-141; Q-163; Q-176; Q-226; Q-260; Q-292; Q-315; Q-316; Q-334; Q-335; Q-336; Q-337; Q-342; Q-361;

Q-367; Q-368; Q-369; Q-370; Q-386; Q-387; Q-389; Q-390; Q-391; Q-392; Q-393; Q-394; Q-395; Q-396; Q-407; Q-408; Q-409; Q-410; Q-411; Q-412.

With respect to item 2, we are submitting for the Bureau's reference and future use, a sequential listing of the items

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of evidence in identifying the photographs of those items requested.

As time is of the utmost importance, your prompt attention is sincerely appreciated.

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May 25, 1978

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

PEDERAL 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 circumstances surrounding the death of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., it is requested that the following serial be prepared by the Federal Bureau of Investigation for delivery:

1) Headquarters File 62-108052 - Unrecorded Dated March 28, 1969, from Atlanta to Director.

Your prompt attention to this matter will be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

G. Rbut Blakey

G. Robert Blakey Chief Counsel and Director

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Danny O. Coulson, SA

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

Attention: Mr. Robert L. Keuch

Deputy Assistant Attorney General

Criminal Division, Room 2113

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Dear Mr. Attorney General:

In connection with the investigation by this Committee into the circumstances surrounding the death of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., it is requested that the Federal Bureau of Investigation prepare the following serial for delivery:

1) 100-4105 - Serial 53

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G. Robert Blakey Chief Counsel and Director

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Assistant Attorney General

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Attention: Mr. Robert L. Keuch

Director, FBI

1 - Legal Counsel Division Attn: Mr. Coulson

1 - Mr. W. L. Bailey

1 - Mr. G. J. Foster

MEDERAL GOVERNMENT

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 May 3, 1978 / which requested, in connection with the HSCA's investigation into the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., that access be given to files from FBI Headquarters and certain Field Offices regarding Duford Wallace Posey.

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

Enclosures (2)

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HSCA, in above-referenced letter, furnished a copy of a waiver from Posey. The Committee had previously requested we all Bufile material on Posey in their letter dated February 23, 1978; however, a search revealed no information identifiable with him. This included any reference to an informant file.

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June 1, 1978

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

Reference is made to the letter to the Attorney General from G. Robert Blakey, Chief Counsel and Director, HSCA, dated May 3, 1978, which requested, in connection with the HSCA's investigation into the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., certain information in the files of FBI Headquarters (FBIHQ). Specifically, this letter requested access to all information in the FBIHO file and Jackson, Knoxville, Nashville and Memphis Field Office files regarding Buford Wallace Posey.

This memorandum is to advise that information regarding Buford Wallace Posey has been located in the files of the Memphis and Jackson Field Offices. This material has been processed and is available for review at FBIHQ.

A search of indices at FBIHQ and Knoxville Field Office revealed no record regarding Mr. Posey based on the information furnished. For your information, the Knoxville Field Office is responsible for the coverage of the Nashville, Tennessee, area, and the results of our investigation conducted there would be contained in that field office file.

This memorandum completes the response to this Where information is not provided, it is because it is not retrievable or is not being furnished pursuant to the Hemorandum of Understanding.

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See Director, FBI, letter to Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, Attention: Mr. Robert L. Keuch dated June 1, 1978, captioned as above.

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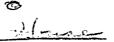
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The Honorable Griffin B. Bell Attorney General of the United States Department of Justice Washington, D.C. 20530

Attention: Mr. Robert L. Keuch

Dear Mr. Attorney General:

Deputy Assistant Attorney General Criminal Division, Room 2113

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By letter dated May 2, 1978, we requested that the FBI prepare for access all files under its control on John B. Smith. In furtherance of our request, and in accordance with the release executed by Mr. Smith, a copy of which accompanied our original request, we ask that the Memphis Field Office prepare for access, all files of any nature pertaining to Mr. Smith.

Sincerely,

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G. Robert Blakey

Chief Counsel and Director

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Again, thank you for your continued cooperation.

Very truly yours,

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

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

Dear Mr. Attorney General:

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

- Provide the names of all agents working out of the Field Office or Resident Agency with Missouri State Penitentiary, Jefferson City, Missouri in its jurisdiction, January 1960 - May 1967.
- Prepare for access, as per request dated May 11, 1978, the U.F.A.C. case files on James Earl Ray, for the Field Offices St. Louis and Chicago.

3) Prepare for actors, any BUFILE material on: Tony Benevitas aka J. Christ Bonnevecche. F J. Christ Bonnevecche.

With respect to Item 3, the Committee has not been able to develop any additional identifying data that would aid in a file search, therefore your earnest efforts would be greatly appreciated. 62-117290

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May 25, 1978

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

Attention: Mr. Robert L. Keuch

Deputy Assistant Attorney General

Criminal Division, Room 2113

Dear Mr. Attorney General:

Reference is made to a letter dated 8/25/67 from the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation to 23 field offices advising them of the beginning of a counterintelligence program against "militant Black Nationalist - Hate Groups" and an airtel from the Director to the SAC Albany and 40 other Federal Bureau of Investigation field offices dated 3/4/68 concerning the same subject. Both pieces of mail ask the affected field offices to make periodic reports to the Bureau.

It is requested that the Federal Bureau of Investigation search the appropriate Field Office files and prepare for delivery, all reports, letterhead memoranda, airtels, letters and teletypes submitted pursuant to these two referenced documents which were concerned with Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., or the Southern Christian Leadership Conference.

The response to this request should be handled on a priority basis and take precedence over all prior requests in connection with the King investigation.  $\Sigma T_{106}$ 

Your prompt attention and cooperation in this matter is greatly, appreciated.

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Sincerely,

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HSCA, BY LETTER DATED MAY 2, 1978, REQUESTED THAT MEMPHIS FIELD OFFICE LOCATE AND PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING:

-11 ANY TRANSCRIPTS OR COPIES OF THE RADIO LOGS FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY THROUGH MAY, 1968.

123 ANY NOTATIONS OR REFERENCES TO THE RADIO LOGS FOR THE PERIOD SET FORTH ABOVE.

133 ALL REFERENCES, MEMORANDA AND MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS PERTAINING TO THE DESTRUCTION OF THE RADIO LOGS FOR 1968.

HSCA NOTED THAT LOGS MAY HAVE BEEN DESTROYED BUT REQUESTED

THAT THE SEARCH BE MADE ANYWAY. RESULTS OF ABOVE REQUESTED

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ATTENTION: CONGRESSIONAL INQUIRY UNIT, RECORDS MANAGEMENT DIVISION.

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FORMER BH 413-R AND FORMER NO 1259-R CONTACTED IN PERSON ON MAY 25. 1973. THE INFORMATION IN REBUTEL WAS DISCUSSED WITH FORMER INFORMANT AND HE ADVISTINAT UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES DOES HE WISH TO BE CONTACTED OR INTERVIEWED B THAT THE INFORMATION FURNISHED TO BUREAU WAS STRICTLY FOR BUREAU AND AT NO TIME DID HE EVER WISH TO TESTIFY IN COURT OR TO FURWISH JUN 2 1975 THE INFORMATION TO ANY OTHER AGENCY.

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RE BUREAU TELETYPE DATED MAY 24, 1978.112

UN MAY 26, 1978, JN 340-R, BUREAU FILE 170-1565, JACKSON FILE 170-459, INTERVIEWED AND OBJECTS TO INTERVIEW BY REPRESENTATIVES OF HSCA IN VIEW OF CURRENT EMPLOYMENT STATUS. JN 340-R STILL EMPLOYED AT JUHN'S CAFE, LAUREL, MISS., AND FEELS LIFE WOULD BE PLACED IN JEOPARDY IF IDE TITY WAS MADE KINUW IV.

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TO FBING WHICH REFLECTS THAT INFORMANT WAS SHOT AND KILLED BY A SHOTGUN BLAST FIRED BY HIS BROTHER-IN-LAW. INFORMANT WAS PROMOUNCED DEAD ON ARRIVAL AT JONES COUNTY COMMUNITY HOSPITAL AND CAUSE OF SHOUTING HAD NOT BEEN DETERMINED AS OF THE DATE OF THE NEWSPAPER ARTICLE.

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

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

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

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THEY ALSO INDICATED THAT THEY PLANNED TO INTERVIEW DEAN WILLIAMS FORMER GRAND DRAGON, UNITED KLANS OF AMERICA INC, (UKA), S.C. AND MELVIN SEXTON, NATIONAL OFFICER OF THE UKA.

CO 44- SPECULATED THAT SEXTON AND WILLIAMS MAY HAVE BEEN INFORMANTS BECAUSE THEY WERE BEING INTERVIEWED IN SAME TIME PERIOD.

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

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

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BORMANN WAS SUBSEQUENTLY REFERRED TO THE CANADIAN CON-

SAN JUAN INDICES AND NATIONAL CRIME INFORMATION CENTER (NCIC) CHECK NEGATIVE REGARDING BORMANN.

ABOVE BEING SUBMITTED TO FBIHQ FOR WHATEVER ACTION IT DEEMS APPROPRIATE.

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HEADQUARTERS (FBIHQ) FURNISH THE COMMITTEE WITH A COPY OF THE CHICAGO AND ST. LOUIS FIELD OFFICE FILES CAPTIONED, "JAMES EARL RAY - FUGITIVE; UFAC - ROBBERY FIRST; OO KCT {BUFILE AB-417303. ALL MATERIAL REGARDING THIS FILE AT FBIHQ WAS CON-SOLIDATED INTO THE MURKIN FILE (BUFILE 44-38861).

HSCA, BY LETTER DATED MAY 25, 1978, REQUESTED THAT FBI

ADDITIONALLY, THE COMMITTEE REQUESTED THAT THE ST. LOUIS OFFICE PROVIDE THE NAMES OF ALL SPECIAL AGENTS WHO HANDLED COVERAGE OF THE MISSOURI STATE PENITENTIARY, JEFFERSON CITY,

MISSOURI, BETWEEN JANUARY, 1960, AND MAY, 1967.

RECEIVING OFFICES ARE REQUESTED TO SEARCH FOR THEIR FILE

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MATERIAL REGARDING THIS MATTER SHOULD BE DUPLICATED AND ONE

COPY FURNISHED TO FBIHQ, ATTENTION: CONGRESSIONAL INQUIRY

UNIT, RECORDS MANAGEMENT DIVISION, BY CLOSE OF BUSINESS

JUNE 12, 1978. ONLY THE FIRST PAGE OF ANY SERIAL PREVIOUSLY

FURNISHED FBIHQ IN THIS MATTER SHOULD BE PROVIDED.

THE ST. LOUIS OFFICE SHOULD ALSO PROVIDE THE NAMES OF
THOSE SPECIAL AGENTS WHO HANDLED COVERAGE OF THE AREA WHERE
MISSOURI STATE PENITENTIARY, JEFFERSON CITY, MISSOURI, IS
LOCATED FOR PERIOD SET OUT ABOVE.

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Note: HSCA previously requested, by letter dated May 11, 1973, access to above-mentioned UFAC case from files of FBI Headquarters (FBIHQ) and "pertinent field office files". Access has been given the Committee to FBIHQ and Kansas City files regarding this matter.

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HSCA, BY LETTER DATED MAY 24, 1978, REQUESTED THAT ALL

REFERENCES IN THE MEMPHIS FIELD OFFICE FILES REGARDING

STAFF MEMBER WILLIAM WEBB ADVISED THAT INFORMATION

JOHN BURRELL SMITH, DATE OF BIRTH JANUARY 13, 1943, BE PROVIDED

PROVIDED COULD BE LIMITED TO PERIOD JANUARY, 1967, TO

DECEMBER, 1968, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF ANY INFORMANT FILE WHICH

SHOULD BE FURNISHED IRRESPECTIVE OF TIME FRAME. HZCA HAZ

PROVIDED WAIVER FROM SMITH ALLOWING FOR RELEASE OF ALL FILES TO

THE COMMITTEE.

MEMPHIS SHOULD SEARCH INDICES FOR JOHN BURRELL SMITH

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MOTE: HSCA previously requested all information in FBI files regarding John Burrell Smith. All material in files of FBI Headquarters was processed for access and the Committee was so advised by memorandum dated May 15, 1978.

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HSCA, BY LETTER DATED MAY 25, 1978, REQUESTED THAT THE NAMES OF ALL SPECIAL AGENTS, WHO WORKED IN THE RESIDENT AGENCY

WHICH COVERS THE AREA IN WHICH THE MISSOURI STATE PENITENTIARY,

JEFFERSON CITY, MISSOURI, IS LOCATED, BE PROVIDED.

COMMITTEE IS INTERESTED IN THE NAMES OF THOSE AGENTS WHO WORKED

THERE BETWEEN JANUARY, 1960, AND MAY, 1967.

KANSAS CITY IS REQUESTED TO PROVIDE THE NAMES OF THOSE SPECIAL AGENTS WHO WORKED IN THE RESIDENT AGENCY AREA DE-SCRIBED ABOVE TO FBI HEADQUARTERS, ATTENTION: CONGRESSIONAL INQUIRY UNIT, RECORDS MANAGEMENT DIVISION, BY CLOSE OF BUSINESS JUNE 12, 1978.

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CO 44- (FORMER) CONTACTED COLUMBIA OFFICE JUNE 1, 1978, ADVISED BY UNRECALLED REPRESENTATIVE OF HSCA ON JUNE 1, 1978, THAT HE WILL NOT HAVE TO APPEAR BEFORE COMMITTEE, WASHINGTON, CALLER INDICATED TO CO 44- (FORMER) THAT D.C.. JUNE 6. 1978. DID NOT THINK CO 44- (FORMER) WILL HAVE TO APPEAR BEFORE COMMITTEE 62-11729 ON FUTURE DATE. EX-115

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Select Committee on Assassinations

U.S. House of Representatives 3331 House office Building, annex 2

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20515

June 2, 1978

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

Attention: Mr. Robert L. Keuch

Deputy Assistant Attorney General

Criminal Division, Room 2113

Dear Mr. Attorney General:

In connection with this Committee's investigation into the death of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., your assistance is requested in obtaining <u>all</u> files pertaining to the following individuals:

- a) John H. Sutherland, DOB 10/19/05
- b) Beulah Kauffmann (Skaggs), DOB 4/26/25
- c) John R. Kauffman, DOB 3/07/04
- d) Dr. Hugh W. Maxey, DOB 11/8/1893
- e) John Paul Spica, DOB 1/28/37

Your efforts in assisting us in this matter would be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

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June 5, 1978

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Letter #1

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 Select Committee's investigation into the circumstances surrounding the death of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., the following FBI files previously prepared for access are now requested for delivery:

- Memphis Field Office Files/King Security Case
- Atlanta Field Office Files/King Security Case
- The Sanitation Strike
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- Senate Intelligence Committee Materials

In addition, it is also requested that the Bureau check the status of our earlier requests in connection with the following:

- All personal and confidential files related to Samuel B. Kyles.
- 2) Response in reference to the Memphis Field Office files on Calvin Taylor and Ronald Ivy.
- Memo dated 8/25/67 from the Director of the FBI to 3) 23 SACs: initiating the Black Nationalist COINTELPRO Program (not included in the COINTEL response previously received).

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Your prompt attention in this matter is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

G. Robert Blakey Chief Counsel and Director

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Letter #4

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

Attention: Mr. Robert L. Keuch

Deputy Assistant Attorney General

Criminal Division, Room 2113

Dear Mr. Attorney General:

In connection with the investigation by this Committee into the circumstances surrounding the death of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., it is requested that the following material be prepared by the Federal Bureau of Investigation for delivery.

- Copies of all photographs in the MURKIN file taken 1) by Life Magazine photographer, Joseph Louw.
- 2) Copies of the photographs of the March 29, 1968 registration cards of the Travelodge Motel, 821 20th Street South, Birmingham, Alabama.

Your prompt attention to this matter will be greatly appreciated.

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Sincerely,

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Letter #2

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 Select Committee's investigation into the circumstances surrounding the death of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., it is requested that the FBI check all files pertaining to the following persons and make them available for access by members of the staff:

- 1) Naomi Regazzi - maiden name Haynes. Address: (1968) 2231 Lynch Street, St. Louis, Missouri. DOB: Unknown.
- 2) Bob Regazzi - probable first name Robert. Address: St. Louis, Missouri. DOB:
- Russell George Beyers address: 9329 Frederick Court, Rockhill, Missouri. DOB: 8/9/31. FBI # 101-311E.

Your immediate attention to this matter will be greatly appreciated. REC 12 62-117295 FX-115

Sincerely,

G. Robert Blakey

Chief Counsel and Director

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Letter #3

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

Attention: Mr. Robert L. Keuch

Deputy Assistant Attorney General

Criminal Division, Room 2113

Dear Mr. Attorney General:

In connection with the Select Committee's investigation into the circumstances surrounding the death of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., the following is requested:

- Access to all Headquarters and Duluth, Minnesota Field Office files on William M. Ray, DOB 7/15/39.
- b) Any photographs of the above named individual.

Your cooperation in this matter is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

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G. Robert Blakey Chief Counsel and Director

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On August 23, 1968, Mr. HARVEY A. KLINGEMAN and Mrs. CLARA S. KLINGEMAN, owners, Indian Trail Restaurant, 507 Chestnut Street, Winnetka, Illinois, phone HI 6-1703, residence 391 Linden, Winnetka, Illinois, phone HI 6-2932, were interviewed jointly in the conference room at the Winnetka, Illinois, Police Department, after being introduced to the interviewing Agents by Chief DON DERNING (NA), Winnetka, Illinois, Police Department.

They advised that on Tuesday, August 20, 1968, they were contacted by WILLIAM BRADFORD HUIE, Hartselle, Abbama, who is the author of "Three Lives For Mississippi". Mr. HUIE was accompanied by Mr. (First Name Unknown) HANSEN, who is a photographer for "Look" magazine. Mr. HUIE exhibited letters which he claimed were from JAMES EARL RAY and were addressed to a Mississippi attorney. These letters were purportedly given to HUIE by the attorney. HUIE told them that he had obtained all commercial rights to RAY's story and for this he has agreed to underwrite the costs of RAY's defense in the forthcoming murder trial in Memphis, Tennessee. The aforementioned letters were writted on half sheets of yellow legal foolscap and both of the KLINGEMANs stated that they recognized the handwriting on these papers as that of the subject RAY, whom they knew under the name of JOHN RAYNS. this point, the KLINGEMANs were exhibited several photographs of the subject, JAMES EARL RAY, along with other photographs and they both positively identified JAMES EARL RAY as a man employed by them from May 3, 1967, to June 24,1967, as a dishwasher and cook's helper. The KLINGEMANs verified the foregoing statement by furnishing to the interviewing Agents their payroll ledger sheet. A review of the ledger sheet reveals the following information:

> Name Address Occupation Social Security Number Rate

JOHN L. RAYNS 2731 Sheffield, Chicago, Illinois Cook's helper 318-24-7098

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In addition, the KLINGEMANs also made available the Employee's Withholding Exemption Certificate made out in the same name and address and Social Security Number as set forth above, dated May 10,1968.

They also made available the following listed payroll checks all drawn on the Winnetka Trust and Savings Bank bearing the identification in the upper left-hand corner of Indian Trail Restaurant, Inc., 507 Chestnut Street, Winnetka, Illinois, 60093, made out to either JOHN L. RAYNS of JOHN RAYNS and signed by HARVEY A. KLINGEMAN. The checks are endorsed by JOHN L. RAYNS or JOHN RAYNS, two of which have the address 1648 Lunt, Chicago, underneath the signature. These checks are as follows:

NUMBER	AMOUNT	DATE
4838	\$57.69	May 7, 1967
4913	\$84.89	May 14, 1967
4987	\$84.89	May 21, 1967
5058	\$84.89	May 28, 1967
5130	\$89.63	June 11, 1967
5283	\$95.19	June 18, 1967
5357	\$77.53	June 25, 1967

The foregoing checks total \$664.34.

Mr. KLINGEMAN advised that to the best of his recollection at this time, the last check, Number 5357, was mailed to RAY's brother, name unrecalled, in Northbrook, Illinois, at RAY's request since he left his employment prior to receipt of the check, stating that he was going to work on boats with his brother. As Mr. KLINGEMAN recalls, he received a letter from RAY requesting that the pay due be sent to his brother.

Both of the KLINGEMANs characterized JAMES EARL RAY as an excellent employee, quiet, attentive, prompt, polite, a very good worker, but to their knowledge, had no friends or visitors during the time of his employment. They did recall that during the subject's last week of employment, he received three or four phone calls from a male individual who stated that he was RAY's brother. They could not recall the individual's name, nor did they believe that they would recognize this person's voice if they heard it again.

In conversation with Mr. HUIE, the KLINGEMANS received the following information on a confidential basis and advised that they were rather reluctant to divulge it, but felt that it was their duty as citizens. They requested that this information be maintained on a confidential basis within the FBI. They advised that they contacted Chief DERNING because of his reputation and are now following his advice in furnishing this information to the FBI:

Mr. HUIE sowed the KLINGEMANs letters from RAY in which RAY listed employment at the Indian Trail Restaurant. (It should be noted that this restaurant is an old, large, upper class restaurant, of excellent reputation. Chief DERNING advised that the KLINGEMANs themselves have an excellent reputation within the community and that he holds them in very high regard). HUIE told them that RAY had served seven years of a twenty-year sentence at Jefferson, Missouri, prison, during which time he had eight visitors, one of whom was his brother, however, HUIE did not identify which one. Prior to his escape, RAY had stashed away a razor, green prison trousers which had been dyed black, and 12 hersey bars in anticipation that he would have to go without food for some time. RAY also had \$300 in his shoe. He escaped in a bred truck and walked to Chicago, Illinois, from Jefferson City, Missouri, which took him about eight days. (The KLINGEMANs do recall that when the subject first appered at the restaurant, his feet were swollen and that their sister-in-law gave him two Ace bandages to use which he returned three or four days later. This supposedly was mentioned in the letter in HUIE's possession).

Thereafter, RAY read the advertisement in the Tribune whrein the KLINGEMANs had advertised for help in the restaurant. HUIE said that the subject in the letter

mentioned that the employment at the Indian Trail Restaurant was the "high point of his life".

HUTE mentioned that RAY had had only three jobs in his life, one of which was in a shoe factory outside of East St. Louis, Illinois, which we prior to his going to prison the last time. He also said that during the time RAY was employed at the restaurant, he was "tapped on the shoulder" by an individual who recognized him and who threatened to reveal his identity to the police and cause RAY's return to Prison if he, RAY, did not work for this person. HUIE said that RAY was given \$1,200 during the initial contacts, by the alleged conspirators, and was ultimately paid \$15,000, but was due to receive more.

Again, according to HUTE, RAY was told to go to Canada to investigate the difficulty of crossing the border. Supposedly RAY made two trips through the Detroit Tunnel into Canada. He also made a third trip to Canada, date and sequence not given, and "was instructed to obtain a 40-year-old newspaper, get the names of the males born that dte, and search the current phone directory for similar names. He was then to surveil the individuals with similar names to determine whether or not his physical description was similar to theirs. Thereafter, he telephoned persons of his like description, utilizing a pretext, and thereby found a manwho had never applied for a passport. RAY then applied for a passport in this name.

The KLINGEMANS advised that they were not sure that they were furnishing this information in its proper sequence, but that to the best of their recollection, the information preceding and following was given to them in this order by HUIE. Thereafter, RAY was given more money to purchase a Mustang which was to be driven to Acapulco, Mexico, for the purpose of obtaining a tourist sticker. He then drove through Mexico to the West Coast and hid out there to receive further instructions from the other individuals in the alleged conspiracy. HUIE stated that RAY was flown to Atlanta from the West Coast, but the time was not right, there was no action andle was sent back to California. He was also told to be in Mississippi at a certain time and place. Supposedly Reverend MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. was at a Holiday Inn Motel in Atlanta, Georgia, when RAY was flown there.

Subsequently, RAY was given money to obtain binoculars and a shotgun and was to go to Memphis to be somewhere at 3 p.m. in room 312 or 313. Supposedly there were other individuals who also came to this room and there was a Negro male who purportedly called KING out to the balcony. According to HUIE, the actual murderer of KING was not RAY, although RAY was present and at a later time (probably the trial) RAY will identify the murderer. RAY did pick up the rifle, ran to his car, and sped to a rendezvous in Atlanta, Georgia. He was supposed to pick up a "bundle of money", however, the conspirators did not appear. RAY allegedly spent several days or hours at this apartment in Atlanta, Georgia, awaiting the arrival of his "fellow conspirators".

According to HUIE, the plan was for RAY to go to Mexico, but immediately fly north to throw off pursuit and to steer all investigation to Mexico. However, since the conspirators did not appear in Atlanta, RAY fled to  $C_{a}$  rada thereafter utilizing his knowledge to obtain a passport and fled to England.

The KLINGEMANS advised that the rest of HUIE's story substantially follows the newspaper accounts which appeared after subject RAY's arrest in England. They did note that HUIE stated that RAY did rob a bank in London because he "got real low on money". HUIE at no time identified the alleged fellow conspirators of RAY. He did swear the KLINGEMANS to secrecy and told them that he would mail the "Look" proofs on September 10,1968, and the story would be in the November 10,1968, issue of Look magazine. Both Mr. and Mrs. KLINGEMAN advised that they would make these proofs available to the interviewing Agents for review.

The KLINGEMANs advised that RAY began working for them as a dishwasher and because of his excellent attitude was advanced to cook's helper. During the time he was in their employ, they did not observe him in a car, nor did they know him to own an automobile. He had no visitors, he did not wear glasses, he had no women friends, nor did he make any advances toward the female personnel employed at the restaurang and they noted that his hair was "less bushy" during the time he was at the restaurant than shown in the photographs.

They are not sure how he came to work from his apartment, but believe he might have been met at the Eden's Expressway by WILLIE PERRY and FRED BURNS, who were also employees at the restaurant.

His conduct was excellent and they cannot recall him making any comments one way or another about members of the Negro race and specifically no comments whatsoever concerning MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. RAY made no reference to his previous employment, but did mention that he was in Brimerhaven, Germany, during World War II. They advised that when RAY received the phone calls during his last week of employment he seemed to be disturbed and that his concentration on his work was not as good as it usually was.

They then recalled that according to HUIE, that when JAMES EARL RAY left England, he was going to Lisbon to get to Africa, however, he was unable to do so which is when he returned to England and held up a bank receiving about \$200 in loot. They again stated that the information furnished to them by HUIE came from letters which RAY had written to his attorney, who in turn turned them over to the author. Also Mr. KLINGEMAN stated that in one of the letters which he believed was to the attorney from RAY, while he was in London, England, there was a drawing identifying a location which appeared to be Diversey Street and Sheffield Avenue in Chicago, Illinois.

At the conclusion of the interview, the Klingemans again requested that this information be maintained in confidence and expressed a willingness to co-operate with the FBI in my way possible.

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HSCA STAFF MEMBER WILLIAM WEBB ADVISED THAT THE COMMITTEE IS INTERESTED IN FILES ON SMITH DURING TIME PERIOD JANUARY, 1967-DECEMBER, 1968. HOWEVER, IF INFORMANT FILE IS LOCATED

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

May 26, 1978

1 - Legal Counsel Division Attn: Mr. Coulson

1 - Mr. Bailey

1 - Mr. Foster

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Reference is made to letter to the Attorney General from G. Robert Blakey, Chief Counsel and Director, HSCA, dated March 15, 1978, which, in connection with the MSCA's investigation into the assassination of Martin Luther King, Jr., requested certain information from files of the FBI. Reference is also made to FBI memorandum dated April 19, 1978, which provided a partial response to referenced letter.

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

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By FBI memorandum dated April 19, 1978, a partial response to the above request was furnished. This memorandum advised that material in response to Items 3 and 5 of referenced letter was being processed.

With respect to Item 3, HSCA Staff Member Michael Eberhardt made the following modification on March 29, 1978. In view of the volume of material in the King and Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) security investigations, the HSCA only desires access to the Atlanta Field Office file concerning King; the Memphis Field Office file concerning King and the SCLC; and the Los Angeles files concerning King and the SCLC, but only for the period January 1, 1967, through June 30, 1968. Mr. Eberhardt advised that no information from the New York Field Office concerning King or SCLC is needed at this time.

All of the above requested material has been processed and is available for HSCA review at FBI Headquarters. It should be noted that this material was made available to the HSCA as various portions were completed. On April 27, 1978, HSCA Staff Member Kenneth McHargh was advised that the Memphis Field Office files on SCLC and King were ready for review. On May 1, 1978, Mr. McHargh was advised that the Los Angeles Field Office files concerning King and SCLC Assoc. Dir. \_\_\_\_ were ready for review. On May 19, 1978, Mr. McHargh was Dep. AD Adm. — advised that Sections 1 through 30 of the Atlanta Field Office King file were ready for review.

Regarding Item 5, on March 27, 1978, HSGA Staff Member Peter Beeson stated that it was not necessary to provide any material from the files of the Atlanta,

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New Orleans and Los Angeles Offices of the FBI concerning the United Klans of America (UKA). However, material regarding the UKA from the Kemphis Field Office was needed, but only for the period September, 1967, through June, 1968.

On April 21, 1978, Mr. Beeson was advised that information requested above was processed and available for MSCA review at FBI Headquarters.

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

This letter completes response to HSCA letter of March 15, 1978.

NOTE: See Director, FBI, letter to Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, Attention: Mr. Robert L. Keuch, dated 5/26/78, captioned as above.

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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 circumstances surrounding the death of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., it is requested that the Federal Bureau of Investigation assist this Committee with respect to the following matter:

- 1) Prepare for delivery, Identification Division records on WERNER MARION KRUSH (DOB 6/13/42).
- Provide a copy of the photograph taken of KRUSH on August 17, 1967.

The above individual is referenced on page 25 in FBI report, BUFILE 91-274 94; Alton, Illinois file SI 91-3699, captioned Bank of Alton Robbery.

3) Make access available to the Atlanta, Los Angeles, Memphis, and New York Field Office files re: a)
The Southern Christian Leadership Conference; b)
Martin Luther King, Jr. Security File, as follows:

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5) Prepare for access UKA files and other Klan group files for the period 1967-1968 for the following field offices:

Atlanta, Georgia New Orleans, Louisiana Memphis, Tennessee Los Angeles, California

6) Prepare for access any information on JULES ROCCO KIMBLE (KIMBEL); alleged Minuteman, last known address 3420 St. Germain Street, Apartment \$4, Montreal, Canada.

Due to the volume of material requested and the anticipated length of time complete compliance would necessiate, it is requested that the materials be provided as they become available.

Very truly yours,

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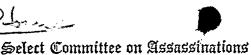
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June 7, 1978

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Mr. Robert M. Stutman, Director Office of Congressional Affairs Drug Enforcement Administration 1405 I Street, N. W. Washington, D. C. 20537

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

Dear Mr. Stutman:

Pursuant to our investigation we would appreciate your assistance in providing us with all Headquarter and Field Office files covering Jefferson County, Missouri for the following individuals for the periods 1960 through 1969:

- a) Mr. John R. Kauffman, DOB 3/07/04
- b) Beulah Kauffman (Skaggs), DOB 4/26/25
- c) Dr. Hugh W. Maxey, DOB 11/8/1893

It is hoped that this information is received at the earliest convenience, and is, as always, greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

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3331 HOUSE OFFICE BUILDING, ANNEX 2

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20515 June 7, 1978

### FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

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

> Attention: Mr. Robert L. Keuch

> > Deputy Assistant Attorney General Criminal Division, Room 1123

Dear Mr. Attorney General:

In connection with this Committee's investigation into the circumstances surrounding the death of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., it is requested that all information concerning the following individual be made available on a priority basis for our review:

NAME:

Ralph Nickerson

RACE:

White Male

AGE:

Approximately age 45

BACKGROUND:

Possible Scotch/American Indian

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HEIGHT:

5' 10"

HAIR COLOR:

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It is hoped that your response to this matter is --received at the earliest convenience.

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As always, your assistance is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20515

June 8, 1978

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

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

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

Dear Mr. Attorney General:

In connection with the investigation by this Committee into the circumstances surrounding the death of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., it is requested that the Federal Bureau of Investigation provide to the Select Committee on Assassinations all information 1) detailing the lines of authority, and 2) the duties of and responsibilities that accompanied the positions of the following former Special Agents with respect to the COMINFIL-COINTELPRO period beginning with 1963 up to and including December 31, 1968:

- a) T. E. Bishop
- b) Seymour Phillips
- c) G. C. Moore

It is necessary to mention that the above request is made in reference to our previous March 6, 1978 letter of which these individuals were not included.

As time is of the essence, it is hoped that this matter receives priority attention.

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

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

Dear Mr. Attorney General:

In connection with the Committee investigation into the circumstances surrounding the death of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., it is requested that the Federal Bureau of Investigation prepare for access: A) All files on the Southern States Industrial Council in the following field offices for the period 1956-1978:

- Knoxville, Tennessee
- 2) Memphis, Tennessee
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- 4) Montgomery, Alabama
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Your cooperation in this matter is greatly appreciated.

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June 13, 1978

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

Attention: Mr. Robert L. Keuch

Deputy Assistant Attorney General

Criminal Division, Room 2113

Dear Mr. Attorney General:

In connection with its investigation into the circumstances surrounding the death of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., it would be appreciated if D. M. Wells, formerly with the Headquarters Racial Intelligence Section, could be made available for immediate interview.

Your cooperation and assistance is greatly appreciated in this matter.

Sincerely,

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cc: Danny Coulson **EX-130** 

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Assistant Attorney General May 31, 1978 Pederal Coverses Criminal Division 1 - Legal Counsel Division Attention . Ilr. Robert L. Keuch Attn: Mr. Coulson Director, FBI 1 - Mr. W. L. Bailey 1 - Mr. G. J. Foster HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS U. S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES (HSCA) Reference is made to the letter to the Attorney General from G. Robert Blakey, Chief Counsel and Director, HSCA, dated May 18, 1978, which requested, in connection with the HSCA's investigation into the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., delivery of certain Identification Division records and two serials from the Atlanta Field Office file. Enclosed are an original and one copy of a merorandum with an attachment in response to the above request. requested that you furnish a copy of the enclosed memorandum to the HSCA. Enclosures (3) PWB:pfm (6) EX-130 ELECTOSULE REC-79 22 JUN 8 1978 Assoc. Dir. AME BY Dep. AD Adm. Dep. AD Inv. . Asst. Dir.: 4 1270 Adm. Servs. Crim. Inv. PBI ldent. \_ Intell. Laboratory . Legal Coun.

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1 - Legal Counsel Division Attn: Mr. Coulson

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May 31, 1978

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

Reference is made to the letter to the Attorney General from G. Robert Blakey, Chief Counsel and Director, HSCA, dated May 18, 1978, which requested, in connection with the HSCA's investigation into the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., certain information in the files of FBI Headquarters. Specifically, this letter requested the delivery of a number of Identification Division records and two serials from the Atlanta Field Office file.

Enclosed as an attachment to this memorandum are copies of the Identification Division records for nine of the individuals listed in the above-mentioned request. The Identification Division records for Samuel Eowers, L. E. Matthews, and Truman Webber Rogers were requested in your letter dated April 25, 1978, and will be furnished with the response thereto. The Identification Division advised that, for Joan Gourley, Roy Frank Louser and Melvin A. Sexton, based on the information furnished, no arrest record could be located.

Included also in this attachment are serials 1674 and 1690 of the Atlanta Field Office file relating to the King assassination.

This memorandum completes the response to the above request.

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 $\overline{\text{NOTE}}$ : See Director, FBI, letter to Assistant Attorney General,  $\overline{\text{Criminal Division}}$ , Attention: Mr. Robert L. Keuch, dated May 31, 1978, captioned as above.

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HSCA, BY LETTER DATED JUNE 7, 1978, REQUESTED THAT THE COMMITTEE BE PROVIDED WITH ALL FBI HEADQUARTERS {FBIHQ} AND KANSAS CITY FIELD OFFICE FILES FOR THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS:

**{1}** JOHN R. KAUFFMAN, DATE OF BIRTH MARCH 7, 1904

**{2}** BEULAH KAUFFMAN (SKAGGS), DATE OF BIRTH APRIL 26, 192

DR. HUGH W. MAXEY, DATE OF BIRTH NOVEMBER B, 1874

KANSAS CITY IS REQUESTED TO SEARCH INDICES FOR ABOVE

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HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS {HSCA}

RE: BULET TO ALBANY, ET AL, AUGUST 25, 1967, CAPTIONED

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JOHN F. KENNEDY AND MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., NOTING THAT

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COMMUNICATIONS UP TO AND INCLUDING DECEMBER 31, 1968, BE

PREPARED FOR DELIVERY.

THE HSCA REQUESTED THAT OUR RESPONSE IN THIS MATTER BE
GIVEN TOP PRIORTY OVER ALL OTHER ASPECTS OF KING INVESTIGATION.

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ARE TO SO NOTIFY FBIHQ.

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House Select Committee on Assassinations (HSCA)

MOTE: See letter of G. Robert Blakey, Chief Counsel and Director, MSCA, to the Monorable Griffin Bell, Attorney General, United States Department of Justice, May 25, 1978.

On June 2, 1978, Bill Webb, HSCA, advised SA Fusching that the request would be modified up to and including December 31, 1968.

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ATTN: MR. COULSON

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- ITEM 8 serials 10 and 11 of Memphis file 157-1097 regarding Washington Spring Project
- ITEM 9 serials 13, 58 and 79 of Memphis file 157-1168-SUB regarding Racial Situation in Memphis Division

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157-1092-34A, page S. This file contains information regarding the Sanitation Workers Strike. This entire file was sent to the Burcau in July, 1977.

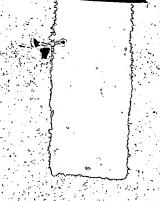
44-1987-SUB-M - 910, page 28. This is the MURKIN file. It was sent to the Bureau in July, 1978.

173-253, a main file on Rev. S. B. KYLES, was opened in 1967 and has been destroyed.

Since the Memphis Office has furnished all material requested by MSCA to date, no further action in this matter is contemplated by the Memphis Office at this time.

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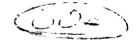
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