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FROM : Security Programs Group  
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SUBJECT: Classification of Memorandum from Robert A. Murphy, Chief, Criminal Section, Civil Rights Division to Assistant Attorney General Pottinger Subject: "Martin Luther King, Jr." dated March 31, 1976

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