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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Security Research Staff

SUBJECT:           A           - REPORT FROM

1.           A           viewed BELAFONTE's emceeing of the Johnny CARSON Show last night.           A           said that Sidney FORTIER and Livingston WINGATE at the prompting of BELAFONTE went into a lengthy discussion of how Martin Luther KING obtained his money some years ago. According to           A           BELAFONTE is setting the stage for a future discussion of this matter when KING appears tonight on the show.

2.           A           concludes that the reason for the discussion of the alleged source of the funds supplied to KING at this late date must be because there has been a leak of information and all concerned realize that probably the FBI is putting pressure on KING to disclose the true source of the funds.

3.           A           now speculates who leaked the information that he supplied to us that the funds source was from the Chicoms. I assured           A           that no information that he passes to us is given to any source but an official one.

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