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Memorandum

TO : Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

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FROM: J. Stanley Pottinger
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SUBJECT: Assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Reference is made to your investigation of the assassination of Martin Luther King, Jr., Bureau file #44-38861, and the attached correspondence between this Division and Mr. Bernard Fensterwald, attorney for James Earl Ray.

Mr. Fensterwald asserts that authors Gerold Frank, William Bradford Huie and George McMillan have had access to FBI reports in connection with this matter.

Please interview the appropriate Bureau personnel who may have information, or comments, with regard to Mr. Fensterwald's assertion and advise us whether there is any indication that these authors had access to the reports as asserted.

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