



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

October 16, 1978

Mr. Harold Weisberg
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Dear Mr. Weisberg:

Reference is made to the letters of September 27, 1978, from Mr. Quinlan J. Shea, Jr., Office of Privacy and Information Appeals, Department of Justice, to Mr. James H. Lesar and yourself. One of the issues addressed in these letters is that of providing you with copies of documents that may be of interest to you in connection with your requests concerning records pertaining to Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and the assassination of President John F. Kennedy.

Attachments A and B are copies of documents previously released as a result of specific requests for the information contained therein. It is recognized that much of this material may be duplicated as a result of processing your request for the security files on Dr. King.

Documents in Attachment A were released on August 17, 1978. Portions of these documents were withheld pursuant to Title 5, United States Code, Section 552, (b) (1), (b) (2), (b) (6), (b) (7) (C), and (b) (7) (D).

Attachment B consists of copies of those records which were maintained in Director Hoover's Official and Confidential files (known as the O & C files), folder number 24, which was released May 10, 1978. Portions of these documents were withheld pursuant to Title 5, United States Code, Section 552, (b) (1), (b) (2), (b) (6), (b) (7) (C), (b) (7) (D), and (b) (7) (E).

The deletions made in the two groups of attached documents are based on the appropriate exemptions as noted above. The explanation of these exemptions is as follows:

Title 5, United States Code, Section 552

- (b) (1) information which is currently and properly classified pursuant to Executive Order 11652 in the interest of the national defense or foreign policy;



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- (b) (2) materials related solely to the internal rules and practices of the FBI;
- (b) (6) materials contained in sensitive records such as personnel or medical files, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy;
- (b) (7) investigatory records compiled for law enforcement purposes, the disclosure of which would:
 - (C) constitute an unwarranted invasion of the personal privacy of another person;
 - (D) reveal the identity of an individual who has furnished information to the FBI under confidential circumstances or reveal information furnished only by such a person and not apparently known to the public or otherwise accessible to the FBI by overt means;
 - (E) disclose investigative techniques and procedures, thereby impairing their future effectiveness.

You have thirty days from receipt of this letter to appeal to the Deputy Attorney General from any denial contained herein. Appeals should be directed in writing to the Deputy Attorney General (Attention: Office of Privacy and Information Appeals), Washington, D. C. 20530. The envelope and the letter should be clearly marked "Freedom of Information Appeal" or "Information Appeal."

Sincerely yours,

Allen H. McCreight
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