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To: SAC, Miami (137-363)
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From: Director, FHI (66-16458) -25

Reurlet 1/6/60.

Immediately furnish breakdown of payments to captioned informant showing amount paid for services and amount paid for expenses per month, as required in Bureau instructions.

Further consideration will be given to your request for payment authorization upon receipt of requested information.

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DIRECTOR, FBI (66-16458)

DATE: 1/6/60

SAC, MIAMI (137-363)

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The following information is submitted for justification of continuance of payment of this informant in -accordance with Section 107N of Manual of Instructions:

#### Recommendation

I recommend that authority be granted to continue payments to the above informant up to \$50.00 per week for services, plus up to \$15.00 per week for expenses actually incurred, for a period of four months, effective February 2, 1960.

#### Residence and Employment

Informant resides at 1336 North Miami Avenue, Apartment 39, Miami, Florida, telephone FRanklin 1-1031.

He continues to work as local representative for the United Southern Employees Association and also in selling advertising for a union magazine. He receives \$25-50.00 a week from this activity and maintains a union office at the Dolphin Hotel, 937 Northeast 1st Avenue, Miami.

#### Current membership in Subversive Organizations

He is a member of the Northern League and of the National States Rights Party.

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# 4. Summary of Information Furnished and/or Services Rendered during pertinent Period

Since the submission of referenced Miami letter, informant has been in almost daily contact with the segregation and klan leaders in Miami and South Florida. His close associates include:

in Miami or South Florida and through this informant information is secured as to their plans, activities and associates.

# 5. Amount Paid for Services and Expenses by Month

Informant has been paid at the rate of \$50.00 per week for services and not in excess of \$15.00 per week for expenses. He submits itemized lists of daily expenses.

From October 2, 1959 through January 6, 1960, he has been paid a total of \$700.00 for services and a total of \$141.85 for expenses.

### 6. Type and Number of meetings attended and Other Activity

Whenever any klan or segregation group meetings are held, informant attends them. Most of his activity

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is through personal association, conversation and contact with the klan and segregation leaders.

#### 7. Number of Written and Oral Reports Submitted

Informant furnishes oral information daily, and sometimes twice daily, if developments are pertinent. Information is furnished either by personal contact with an Agent, or by telephone, with proper precautions being taken in either case.

#### 8. Information Furnished of Unusual Value

Informant secured detailed information concerning visit to Washington, D. C.

He has also secured good background data on potential bombing suspects of the Miami area.

9. Approximate Number of Persons on Whom Informant
Furnished Coverage and their Importance

See 4, supra, for this information.

#### 10. Informant's Potential for Advancement

Informant has a good potential for becoming even more intimate an associate of the segregation and klan leaders in this area.

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#### 11. Stability and Reliability

He has not demonstrated or displayed any personal weaknesses, emotional instability, untrustworthiness or unreliability. He has no domestic or personal problems that would cause embarrassment to the Bureau.

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#### 12. Indoctrination Against Disclosure

Every opportunity has been taken to properly indoctrinate this informant against making any disclosure of the relationship between him and the Bureau through any media. He is well aware of this.

### 13. All Necessary Action Taken on Information Furnished

The information furnished by this informant is given prompt and necessary action and dissemination by the Miami Office.

#### 14. Miscellaneous

Informant also picks up criminal information relating to white slave and other criminal activities in Miami. However, this is only incidental, and his primary activity is in the racial field. REC. 60 Director.



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Authority is hereby granted to continue payments: to captioned informant of up to \$50 per week for services plus up to \$15 per week for expenses actually incurred for a period of four months effective 2/2/60.

In reviewing your letter of 1/6/60, the Bureau noted you did not furnish the typs and number of meetings is attended during the period covered by this letter. The statement, "Whenever any Klan or segregation group meetings are beld, informant attends them, " is virtually meaningless. In the future you should furnish the information called for

Bureau notes that you are consistently paying this informant the full amount authorized per week for services rendered by him. As you are aware, the Bureau does not desire that its informants gain the impression they are being paid a salary or can count on the Bureau's for regular payments. You should be certain that each payment to this informant can be fully justified.

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is William Sommerset who is a member of the Kational States Rights Party (NSRP) and the Northern League. Latter organization is anti-Semetic, anti Negro organization allegedly international in nature with The NSRP is allegedly connected headquarters in Scotland. with the Kathenal League. Informant is in almost daily contact with leaders of these organizations in Florida as well as other known racists in that area.

Effective 10/2/59 and for four months thereafter Bureau authorized payment of up to \$50 per week for services plus up to \$15 per week for expenses incurred. Since that time informant has been paid total of \$700 for services and \$141.85 for expenses. By let 1/6/60 MM recommended continuation of this authorization for additional 4 months effective 2/2/60. Let did not show expenditures on monthly basis as required and Bu by airtel 1/18/60 requested such info. It is recommended? authority be granted to continue such payments. W.C. Sullivan 1 - J. S. Johnson

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SAC, Miami (137-363)FROM:

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The following is a breakdown of payments to this informant, showing amount paid for services and amount paid for expenses per month from October 2, 1959, through January 6, 1960:

	Services	Date	Expenses	<u>Date</u>
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Special Agent in Charge

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FROM DIRECTOR FBI

TODAY CAPTIONED QUOTE KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX RACIAL MATTERS UNQUOTE. BUREAU HEREBY AUTHORIZES ONE-HUNDRED DOLLARS FROM WHICH INFORMANT MAY BE REIMBURSED FOR EXPENSES ACTUALLY INCURRED IN CONNECTION WITH PROPOSED TRIP GEORGIA, FOR KLAN MEETING FEBRUARY-TWENTY-SEVEN NEXT

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COMF. INFT. NOTE:

William Sommerset who is a member the National States Rights Party and the Northern He is in frequent contact with segregation leaders and known racists in the Miami territory. Bu tel 2-24-60 authorized his attendance at special meeting of Klansmen through the South to be held Atlanta on 2-27-60. Miami tel 2-25-60 requested authority to pay \$100 additional expense money to cover trip.

Informant is regularly paid and present authorization is for \$50 per week services plus up to \$15 per week for expenses [] 12 FEB 26 1960

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- 100-356570 (Knights of the Ku Klux Klan,

is William Sommerset who is member NOTE: He is in frequent contact with NORP in Miami. known segregationists and racists in Miami territory. attended meeting Atlanta, Georgia 2/27-28/60 composed of delegates from various Klan organizations throughout the country New organization emerged known as National Council of Klans and this group is holding a meeting Chattanooga, Tennessee, Informant has been invited to attend and Miami 3/12-13/60. tel this date requests Bureau authority today since informant will, have to depart tomorrow morning.

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Director, FBI (66-16458)

DATE: 3/17/60 REC. 49

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SAC, Miami (137-363)

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SUBJECT:

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Remyairtel to Bureau dated 3/15/60.

On March 15, 1960, Assistant States Attorney PAUL BAKER, Miami, Florida, called the Miami Office and advised that a member of the Ku Klux Klan had been arrested and BAKER thought the FBI might be interested in looking at his membership card and certain Klan literature in his possession at the time of arrest. BAKER furnished the name of the arrested Klan member, and it was learned that it was

SA went to the States Attorney's Office and talked to Mr. BAKER and

No indication was given to either BAKER or that the person arrested was known to this office. SA examined the papers taken at the time of arrest from informant's office and person. Examination reflected the usual Klan and segregation literature, business cards, Klan membership card and personal identification cards. The papers contained no reference to the FBI, no names of agents, and no home or office telephone numbers relating to the FBI.

BAKER and advised that informant was arrested as a result of a complaint and warrant signed by VERNON McCALL, a former employee of the United Southern Employees Association (USEA), who had been involved in an altercation with informant, also an employee of USEA. The argument resulted from a dispute over money which McCALL claimed the USEA owed him. He alleged that informant assaulted him by threatening him with a gun. Informant was printed, mugged and released on bond on March 15, 1960.

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the papers appeared to be the usual Klan literature and the FBI was not interested in having the material and did not wish to be drawn into this assault charge inasmuch as it appeared to be strictly a police matter. Mr. BAKER indicated the informant's papers would be returned to him as they were not pertinent to the assault charge.

The Miami Daily News for March 15, 1960, carried an article captioned "KKK Card Carrier Jailed In Union Beating Incident". The article related that informant was arrested for aggravated assault and stated that a quantity of "hate" literature, a 1960 KKK membership card and a foreign made gum had been found in informant's office and had been taken at the time of his arrest.

On March 16, 1960, the informant was interviewed and furnished the following signed statement:

"March 16, 1960 Miami, Florida

make this statement to Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. I realize that it can be used in any future action.

"On March 1, 1960 I had an argument with Vernon McCall, district organizer, United Southern Employees Union, in the Union office in the Dolphin Hotel 937 N.E. 1st Avenue, Miami, Fla. I am also employed as a supervisor and general office employee of the U.S.E.A. I am not an officer of this union but McCall was under my supervision. The argument concerned a false expense account of \$12.50 which McCall had submitted and had received payment for, on February 29, 1960 while I was out of town.

"On March 1, 1960 I confronted McCall with his false account, asked him to return the money. During the argument that followed his refusal to return the money I called him a petty thief and fired him from his union position. I did not threaten him by any means whatsoever and there was no gum in the office at this time.

"I have a small .22 calibre revolver of foreign make which I purchased about a year ago for personal defense at home or office. Sometimes I keep it at the office for protection because occasionally rival "goon" gangs from other unions will come and try to tear up the office or assault union men. I do not carry a gun on my person but I do keep this gun in the office or at home for unexpected hostile visitors.

"On March 15, 1960 about 8:40 AM two men from the District Attorney's office contacted me at the U.S.E.A. office in the Dolphin Hotel. They told me I was under arrest, handcuffed me while I sat in the chair at my desk. They did not tell me what I was arrested for. Two U.S.E.A. men were present when all this happened and can corroborate my story. The two men are both of whom are Miami residents. Both of these men were questioned by the District Attorney's men concerning their union membership.

"Neither of the officers identified themselves by name, nor did they produce a warrant. After handcuffing me and without my permission they searched my person and the office at which time they found the aforementioned revolver in a drawer of a file cabinet; they secured all my personal papers which included my current Ku Klux Klan card issued for 1960 "by the Association South Carolina Klans issued by Klavern 24 Kershaw, South Carolina. They also secured my railroad ticket receipt and my notes on expenses incurred during a recent trip to Chattanooga. They also found various pieces of Klan and segregation organization literature which I have received in the past in connection with my association with these groups.

"I did not resist arrest and was cooperative with the officers and will testify to this. Enroute to the County Jail they asked me if I had given any literature to the F.B.I. I said no and that I have no contact with the F.B.I. They also asked me if the FBI was investigating me because of my Klan activity. I said that so far as I know the FBI is not checking on me. No other mention of the F.B.I. was made.

"Upon arrival at the County Jail they told me I was charged with aggravated assault on Vernon McCall on February 29, 1960, when I was not in Miami. They fingerprinted and photographed me and held me for four hours before they set bond. Finally set bond for \$1500. I made bond through a professional bondsman secured for me by

"I was not questioned by anyone while I was there and after making bond they refused to give me my papers. They gave me a receipt listing the papers taken from me.

"In connection with my absence from Miami on February 29 I wish to state that I left Miami by train on February 26 for Atlanta, Georgia, to attend

"a Klan meeting. I was at this meeting in the Henry Grady Hotel in Atlanta February 27 and 28, leaving Atlanta on the evening of February 28 at 9:15 PM. I arrived back in Miami about 6:30 P.M. on the 29th. The train was over an hour late, I was tired and went right home. I did not go to the office or see McCall on February 29 the day on which he alleges in his complaint that I assaulted him. McCall's complaint is a complete lie and is probably due to the fact that McCall is possibly a spy for the AFL or the CIO or the District Attorney, all of whom have been harassing the U.SEA in recent months. The USEA has two injunctions and one civil suit pending now in Florida courts against the AF.L and the CIO, which has resulted in considerable strain between the USEA and these groups.

"I have read this statement consisting of five and one half pages and so far as I can recall it is the truth. I have initialed each correction and each of the first four pages.





Special Agent, F.B.I., Miami, Fla"

Informant stated he believes this publicity has strengthened his Klan position because he has received numerous calls from local Klan members indicating they feel he is being framed because he is a Klansman. Informant will be represented by Attorney CHARLES A. GOULD, who is the legal counsel for the USEA in Miami.

Miami does not feel that this incident will impair the informant's efficiency or activity, and believes that MM 137-363

the assault charge will probably provoke admiration for informant in Klan circles.

Miami will continue regular contact and discreet, close supervision of this informant and will keep the Bureau advised of all pertinent developments.

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## Memorandum

DIRECTOR, FBI (66-16458)

SUBJECT:

Re Miami letter 3/17/60.

On 4/1/60, informant advised that he had been arraigned before Judge EUGENE WILLIAMS, Dade County Circuit Court, on 3/29/60. Informant was represented by Attorney CHARLES A. GOULD, who is also the attorney for the United Southern Employees Association, informant's employer. Informant pled not guilty to the assault charge and his case was set for trial before Judge WILLIAMS and a jury on 4/26/60. The Bureau will be advised of all pertinent developments.

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EX. 105

To: SAC, Miami (137-363)

From: Director, FBI (66-16458)

Reurtel 4-4-60.

Authority hereby granted for captioned informant to attend Klan meeting, Columbia, South Carolina, expenses incurred in also granted to pay up to \$100 for is to be over and above regular expense authority. This amount is to be over and above regular expense authority.

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is William Sommerset who is

a member of the NSRP and a frequent contact of
known segregationists and racists in the Miami territory.
He is being paid on Bureau authority up to \$50 per week
for services plus up to \$15 per week for expenses incurred.

Miami advises he is to attend Klan meeting as Florida delegate and expresses belief trip will strengthene his position among Florida Klan leaders.

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Vr. Tolone EDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION Mr. Mohr. U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE Mr. Parsons COMMUNICATIONS SECTION Mr. Belmont Mr. Callahan Mr. DeLoach APR 4 1960 Mr. Malone. dr. McGuire TELETYPE Mr. Rosen Mr. Tamm Mr. Trotter Tele. Room. Mr. Ingram Miss Gandy. URGENT 4-4-60 8-48 AM TO DIRECTOR, FBI SAC, MIAMI //137-363/ BUREAU REQUESTED\_AUTHORIZE ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS TRAVEL EXPENSE FOR INFORMANT TO ATTENT KU KLUX KLAN MEETING AS FLORIDA DELEGATE, COLUMBIA, S.C. APRIL NINE. TEN NEXT. BELIEVE TRIP WILL STRENGTHEN INFORMA POSITION AMONG FLA. KLAN LEADERS. 24 APR 20 1960 END AND ACK PLS 8-49 AM OK FBI WA DA TU DIXC

SUBJECT: Re Miami letters 3/17/60, and 4/8/60, concer informant's arrest for assault. On 4/26/60, informant was tried before Judge EUGENE WILLIAMS, Dade County Circuit Court. The complainant who alleged the assault admitted under cross examination that he was lying and that informant did not threaten him with a gum. Complainant said informant assaulted him only by using strong profane language. Informant was declared not guilty on 4/26/60, and released. - Bureau (RM) 2 - Miami LOP:gfg

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Reurlet 5-12-60.

In accordance with your recommendation, authority is hereby granted to pay captioned informant up to \$50 per week for services plus up to \$15 per week for expenses actually incurred for a period of four months effective 6-2-60.

In connection with trips made by the informant to other divisions to attend Klan functions, it is noted you have requested special expense authorizations in each instance. Such authorizations were granted to cover expenses actually incurred by the informant in connection with these trips. It is noted that during the last period you paid the full amounts of the supplemental authorizations on two occasions. You are reminded that such authorizations are only for the purpose of reimbursing informant for his expenses and you should be able to support such payments by informant's itemized list of these expenses.

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NOTE: is William Sommerset who is a member of the Northern League, the National States Rights Party, and the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan. During the past period he attended 9 Klan meetings including 3 at the national level. He is a close associate of hate and Klan leaders of the Miami area and is in frequent contact with them. He attended 3 organizational meetings held, in Georgia, Tennessee and South Carolina during the past period. These meetings were for the purpose of establishing a National Grand Council of Klans to organize various Klans into one group. Informant holds temporary office of National Adjutant of this group and has been assigned duty of preparing communications code for Klan leaders to be presented at next meeting 5-22-60.

Effective 2-2-60 and/four additional months thereafter Bureau authorized up to \$50 per nweek forsservices plus up to \$15 per week for expenses. For the period January through April, 1960, informant was actually paid total of \$850 for services and \$526.73 for expenses.

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Memorandum

TO

DIRECTOR, FBI (66-16458)

DATE: May 12, 1960

CONF. INFT.

SUBJECT:

ReBulet 1/27/60 authorizing payments to this informant of up to \$50 per week for services, plus up to \$15 per week for expenses actually incurred, for a period of four months, February 2, 1960 to June 2, 1960.

The following information is submitted for justification of continuance of payment of this informant in accordance with Section 107 N of Manual of Instructions.

#### 1. Recommendation

I recommend that authority be granted to continue payments to the above informant up to \$50.00 per week for services, plus up to \$15.00 per week for expenses actually incurred, for a period of four months, effective June 2, 1960.

### 2. Residence and Employment

Informant resides at 1336 North Miami Avenue, Apartment 39, Miami, Florida, telephone FR 1-1031.

Informant works as supervisor and general office employee of the United Southern Employee's Union in the Union Office at the Dolphin Hotel, 937 N.E. 1st Avenue, Miami, Florida.

#### 3. Current Membership in Subversive Organizations

He is a member of the Northern League, National States Rights Party, and the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan.

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He is also temporary National Adjutant of the National Grand Council of Klans.

# 4. Summary of Information Furnished and/or Services Rendered During Pertinent Period

Since the submission of Miami letter of January 6, 1960, informant has continued to be in close association and contact with the segregation and Klan leaders in Miami and South Florida.

reported on the activities of all of these individuals and secured literature distributed by them. In addition, through informant's association with informant has attended three meetings of all Klan leaders in southeastern United States. These meetings were held in Atlanta, Georgia on February 27, 1960, in Chattanooga, Tennessee, on March 12, 1960, and in Columbia, South Carolina on April 9, 1960. Informant has been able to report in detail on the activities at these meetings, wherein effort is being made to establish a National Grand Council of Klans. This Council will organize all of the various Klans into one group. Informant is temporary National Adjutant of the National Grand Council and has been assigned to prepare a communications code for Klan leaders and to make this code available at the next Grand Council meeting scheduled for Montgomery, Alabama on May 22, 1960.

### 5. Amount Paid for Services and Expenses by Month

The following is a breakdown of payments to this informant, showing amount paid for services, amount paid for expenses, amount paid for three special trips, (with Bureau authorization) from January 6, 1960 to May 2, 1960:

Services	Date	Expenses	Date
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### 6. Type and Number of Meetings Attended and Other Activity

In addition to the activity and the meetings referred to, informant attends weekly, every Monday night, the weekly meeting of Florida States Rights, Inc., a group dedicated to oppose integration. During the period the has attended the Knights of the Kuuklux Klan meetings in south Florida as follows:

January 23, 1960, at Arcadia, Florida January 30, 1960, at Okeechobee, Florida February 6, 1960, at Jacksonville, Florida February 21, 1960 at Fort Lauderdale, Florida

March 6, 1960 at West Palm Beach, Florida April 24, 1960, at West Palm Beach, Florida.

#### 7. Number of Written and Oral Reports Submitted

Informant furnishes oral information almost daily either by telephone or personal contact with an Agent. Proper security precautions are taken in each contact.

### 8. Information Furnished of Unusual Value

Informant secured detailed information on the efforts of the various Klan leaders to consolidate under a National Grand Council, in the meetings mentioned hereinbefore in Atlanta, Chattanooga and Columbia. He provided coverage at some of these meetings, at the request of other offices, where their coverage deemed inadequate. He is now a member of the Grand Council and firmly entremched with the Klan leadership.

9. Approximate Number of Persons on Whom Informant Furnished
Coverage and Their Importance

See 4, supra, for this information.

### 10. Informant's Potential for Advancement

Informant's potential is very good. He has a strong position in the new national consolidation of Klans which has strengthened his effectiveness in Florida. In addition, he was recently arrested for assault, growing out of an altercation with a Union employee, and upon trial, found not guilty. The publicity received in connection with this arrest has produced respect from Klan members and helped the informant.

#### 11. Stability and Reliability

He has not demonstrated or displayed any personal weaknesses, emotional instability, untrustworthiness or unreliability. He has no domestic or personal problems that would cause embarrassment to the Bureau.

#### 12. Indoctrination Against Disclosure

Every opportunity has been taken to properly indoctrinate this informant against making any disclosure of the relationship between him and the Bureau through any media. He is well aware of this.

#### 13. All Necessary Action Taken on Information Furnished

Information furnished by this informant is given prompt and necessary action and dissemination by the Miami Office.

#### 14. Miscellaneous

Informant also picks up occasional bits of criminal information. This is incidental to his work in racial field.

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TO DIRECTOR , FBI , SAC-S CHARLOTTE AND MIAMI.

FROM SAC MOBILE 157-13

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1 - Mr. J. S. Johnson

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NOTE: The Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc., is a newly formed confederation of Klan organizations. It planned to hold third organizational meeting Montgomery, Alabama, 5-22-68, however, unable to obtain hotel reservations and Charlotte advised by tel today meeting will be held Atlanta, Georgia.

5-21 and 22-60. Charlotte and Miami previously advised were available to attend meeting.

Charlotte tel requests Atlanta sutel if services of informants from other divisions needed to cover this meeting. In view of short time available to make arrangements it is believed Bureau should authorize two informants in question to attend if desired

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TO

DIRECTOR, FBI (66-16458)

DATE: 5/31/60

SAC, MIAMI (137-363)

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SUBJECT:

ReBulet 5/26/60, granting authority to continue payments to this informant of up to \$50 per week for services, plus up to \$15 per week for expenses actually incurred, for a period of four months, effective 6/2/60.

Since payments to this informant are on a weekly basis, UACB, instant date of authority will be considered as 5/31/60.

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to have the necessary klan officials present to testify on his behalf inasmuch as it is felt this will enhance the informant's position with the klan.

The informant has been reportedly advised that the Bureau cannot reveal his identity to the trial Judge or the NIRB and that he should be extremely careful and circumspect to insure that his identity with the FBI is not revealed.

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Subpoenaed as a Government witness, stressed the patriotic nature of the USEA, but declined to testify as a witness. NLRB Attorney, MARTIN SACKS, said Federal Court Order would be sought compelling the union official to answer questions in response to the subpoena.

The hate literature angle was brought in with the introduction-despite opposition by who appeared as his own counsel--of a læflet quoting exerpts and reproducing a picture in the 'Pittsburgh Courier,' a Negro newspaper.

has advised Miami Officekthat the investigation and hearing of the NLRB stems from the fact that local 349 has been trying to eliminate any competition in the Miami area and wants to dissolve the USEA, its chief competitor. He stated that the "Hate Literature" introduced and the evidence is material that he has never seen before.

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1emorandum 7/5/60 DIRECTOR, FBI (66-16458) SUBJECT: CONF. LNFT. Bureau is requested to authorize sixty-five (\$65.00) travel, lodging and food expenses for informant to attend consolidated Ku Klux Klan meeting at Orlando, Florida, July 17, 1960. Informant would depart Miami, on July 15 and would spend three nights there, as Klan leaders are to start gathering in Orlando, on Friday and Saturday, prior to the manufacture of the start gathering in Orlando, on Friday and Saturday, prior to the start gathering in Orlando, on Friday and Saturday, prior to the start gathering in Orlando, on Friday and Saturday, prior to the start gathering in Orlando, on Friday and Saturday, prior to the start gathering and start gathering in Orlando, on Friday and Saturday, prior to the start gathering in Orlando, on Friday and Saturday, prior to the start gathering in Orlando, on Friday and Saturday, prior to the start gathering in Orlando, on Friday and Saturday, prior to the start gathering in Orlando, on Friday and Saturday, prior to the start gathering in Orlando, on Friday and Saturday, prior to the start gathering in Orlando, on Friday and Saturday, prior to the start gathering in Orlando, on Friday and Saturday, prior to the start gathering in Orlando, on Friday and Saturday, prior to the start gathering in Orlando, on Friday and Saturday, prior to the start gathering in Orlando, on Friday and Saturday, prior to the start gathering in Orlando, on Friday and Saturday, prior to the start gathering in Orlando, on Friday and Saturday, prior to the start gathering in Orlando, on Friday and Saturday, prior to the start gathering in Orlando, on Friday and Saturday, prior to the start gathering in Orlando, on Friday and Saturday, prior to the start gathering in Orlando, on Friday and Saturday, prior to the start gathering in Orlando, on Friday and Saturday, prior to the start gathering in Orlando, on Friday and Saturday, prior to the start gathering in Orlando, on Friday and Saturday, prior to the start gathering in Orlando, on Friday and Saturday, prior to the start gathering in to the meeting on the 17th. Informant's position among National Klan leaders has been strengthened during recent weeks and he is in a position to obtain information of value relating to Klan, activities on a consolidated basis. 2\_Miami

SAC, Miami (137-363)

Director, FBI (66-16458) -

Reurlet 7/5/60.

You are authorized to pay informant an amount not to exceed \$65.00 for expenses actually incurred by him for his attendance at a Klan meeting at Orlando, Florida on weekend of 7/17/60.

In the future when time is limited you should submit such requests by airtel or more expeditious means when requesting authority to send an informant to a meet which requires extra expense.

1- Tampa (info)

is William Somersett who has been a criminal and racial informant for many years. The Ku Klux Klan is holding a nation wide meeting at Orlando. Florida in Territory on weekend of 7/17/60

Father than the second of the have also been authorized to attend this meeting. informant would be in position to obtain valuable information and enhance his own position by attendance.

It is recommended that authority be granted to pay expenses of informant not to exceed \$65.00.

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SAC, Miami (137-363)

Director, FBI (66-16458)

Re Bureau call, 7/5/60, and your call to Bureau, 7/5/60.

As pointed out in Bureau call, the Bureau cannot in any way be a party to nor condone in any manner an 😘 📉 action of perjury by or on behalf of the informant. It was pointed out in your call to the Bureau that the informant is only an honorary member in the Association of South Carolina Klans and that officials of such organization would testify that informant is only an honorary member and would not, therefore, be guilty of perjury.

Your airtel of 6/20/60 indicated that when the hearings are to be resumed on 7/11/60, the officials of the South Carolina Klans stated they would have a leader of the Florida Knights of the Ku Klux Klan available to testify. that the informant holds only an honorary membership in the This statement, of course, is not in conformity with information which you have furnished to the Bureau regarding membership of the informant over a period of months

You are to make certain that the informant does not resort to perjury or subornation of perjury in the hearing before the NLRB which is scheduled to be resumed 7/11/60 and, as mentioned in reBucall, in any Federal court action such as that scheduled for 7/5/60. Keep the Bureau fully advised of all developments.

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Informant was to appear 7/5/60 in Federal court to show cause why he should not testify at NLRB hearing and tell all that he knows about USEA. NLRB conducting hearing into allegation that USEA is a front for Klan activity. Klan officials offered to furnish testimony that informant is only honorary member; informant holds honorary membership card in Carolina Klans and is an active member of the Klans in Florida.

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Date: Transmit the following in (Type in plain text or code, AIRTEL AIRMAIL Via (Priority or Method of Mailing) (66-16458)DIRECTOR, FBI TO: SAC // MIAMI (137-363) FROM: CONF. INFT Remytel 7/2/60. On 7/5/60, the informant was contacted and specifically instructed not to commit perjury in U. S. District Court. This matter is being followed closely and the Bureau will be advised of any pertinent details. Bureau (AM) - Miami LCP:sll Approved: Sent gent in Charge

Memorandum

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CONF. INFT.

I called SAC Teague this date concerning a hearing being conducted by the National Labor Relations Board regarding the United Southern Employees Association of which the informant is a member. Miami had advised that Ku Klux Klan officials had offered to testify at a Federal hearing to the effect that the informant was an honorary member of the Klan and that the United Southern Employees Association was not affiliated with the Klan.

SAC Teague was advised that the Bureau cannot condone the perjury by Klan officials at the Federal hearing. He advised that he would look into this matter and will advise what action can be arranged.

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ENT OF PUSHISE COMMUNIC TICKS SECTION Mr. Mohr. JUL 3 7 1960 Mr. Callahan Mr. DeLoach Mr. Malone Mr. McGuir Mr. Rose TO DIRECTOR, FBI Mr. Trotter. /137-363/ Mr. W.C.Sullivan Tele. Room INFORMANT ADVISED JOHN Mr. Ingram ALL MARKET STATES Miss Gandy STATION, ATTORNEY FOR NATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS BOARD, WENT BEFORE FEDERAL JUDGE EMETT C. CHOATE, MIAMI, REQUESTING ORDERS BE ISSUED DIRECTING INFORMANT TO PRODUCE ALL RECORDS OF UNITED SOUTHERN EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION, ELECTRICAL NUMBER ONE, MIAMI, AT THE NLRB HEARINGS SCHEDULED TO RESUME JULY BLEVEN, NEXT. ALSO A COMPLAINT WAS FILED DIRECTING INFORMANT TO APPEAR JULY FIVE, NEXT BEFORE JUDGE CHOATE TO SHOW CAUSE WHY INFORMANT SHOULD NOT TAKE STAND AT NLRB HEARINGS TO TESTIFY AS TO ALL HE KNOWS ABOUT USEA AND ANY OTHER THINGS THE NLRB WANTS TO ASK HIM. INFORMANT ADVISED THAT HE WILL APPEAR BEFORE JUDGE CHOATE JULY FIVE NEXT ANDHAT HE WILL NOT DISCL HIS RELATIONSHIP WITH FBI. THIS MATTER BEING FOLLOWED DLOSELY BY MIAMI.

TO SAC, MIAMI (137-363)

FROM DIRECTOR, FBI (66-16458

AUTHORITY GRANTED BY BUAIRTEL JULY

is William Somersett who has been a criminal and racial informant for many years. Miami requested authority to pay extra expenses of informant to attend Klan meeting, Orlando, Fla., weekend of 7-17-60. Miami sent request in by letter and answer authorizing payment of extra expense sent 7-13-60, It was pointed out that request should have been sent in by more expeditious means when time is limited.

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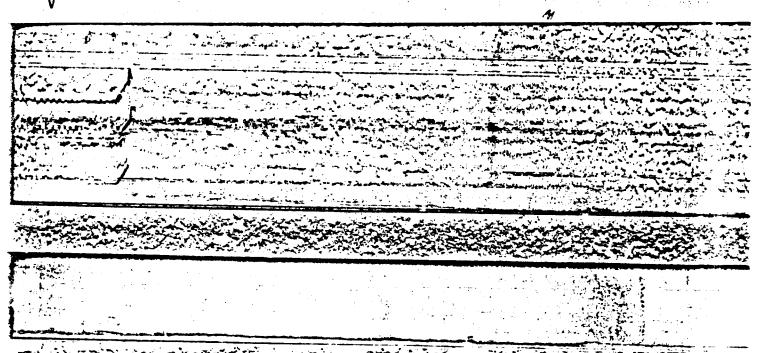
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TO DIRECTOR, FBI

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RE MIAMI AIRTEL JULY FIVE LAST,

REQUESTING AUTHORITY TO PAY INFORMANT SIXTY FIVE DOLLARS EXPENSE MONEY. INFORMANT WILL DEPART MIAMI MORNING OF JULY FIFTEEN NEXT.

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"NLRB's general counsel worked out the pact which is subject to approval of the board itself and the U.S. Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals.

"The agreement, if finally approved, is a victory for the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (AFL-CIO), which filed complaints against the USEA local here that led to a hearing before NLRB Examiner ALBERT P. WHEATLEY.

"Under the agreement, the companies agreed to stop dealing with USEA and stop participating as members and officers of the union."

"The union would be 'disestablished,' under terms of the compact. But WILLIAM A. SOMMERSETT, national representative of USEA, said the pact only affects the Miami electrical local.

"SOMERSETT said the union, with head-quarters in Shalotte, N.C., is chartered in eight Southern states.

"The 15 Miami firms affected by the agreement are:

"Henry Paul Electrical Contractor,
J. D. Electric Co., Crescent Electric
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Co., Biscayne Gardens Electric Co., North
Miami Electric Inc., E. F. Electric Inc.,
Hardy Electric Co., R. C. Electric Inc.,
Sam Evins and Sons Inc., Weatherford Electric,
Taube Electric Contractors Inc., Frank Shafer
Inc. and George Construction Corp."

