Mrs. WILMA BRANCH, also known as Mrs. LEE EDWARD BRANCH, 2546 Keen Road, Memphis, Tennessee, on interview at her home, advised as follows:

She is a teacher at Norris School, Memphis,

On or about the night of March 31, 1968, she accompanied her husband to the Main Post Office on Calhoun Street to pick up mail, following which they drove north into the downtown business area of Memphis, driving on Main Street.

They stopped at a traffic light at Madison and Main, and as they did so, a 1959 or 1960 model white Chevrolet convertible with the top down, having red interior, pulled up beside them.

This car was occupied by three whites, including one white male, who appeared to be rather short, was wearing glasses, and was driving. Sitting beside him was a tall blonde female with short hair, and sitting beside her was a rather tall white male, having dark hair, who appeared to be about 30 years of age. He was wearing a denim jacket. This man with the denim jacket who was sitting on the passenger side and was closest to her husband when the two cars stopped side by side, yelled out to Mr. BRANCH in a seemingly derogatory fashion, "I've bought a new high-powered rifle with a scope on it, and I've got some binoculars, and I'm going to shoot MARTIN LUTHER KING right between the eyes. I've got 20 rounds." With this, he laughed; and by this time the traffic light had changed and the car sped on ahead of the BRANCHes' car.

Mrs. BRANCH attempted to get the license number, was unable to do so, but does recall that it was a Dyer County, Tennessee, tag. She pointed out that Dyer County is some 70 miles north of Memphis. She stated that her

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husband replied to the man something to the effect that he did not probably even have the money with which to buy ammunition.

She stated she could recall nothing else concerning this incident but felt she could identify the person who made the statement should she ever see him again.