

HOUSE SELECT
COMMITTEE
ON ASSASSINATIONS
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. Gallagher

DATE: 9/21/76

FROM : J. S. Peelman

SUBJECT: MURKIN

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House Select Committee on ASSASSINATIONS

PURPOSE: To advise that the U.S. House of Representatives has created a select committee to investigate the assassinations of President John F. Kennedy and Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. The reported basis for the House investigation re Dr. King was previously investigated by the FBI in 1968 and 1969 and the results were furnished to the U. S. Department of Justice.

SYNOPSIS: This case pertains to the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., on 4/4/68. James Earl Ray pled guilty to this murder and presently is in local confinement. As set forth in a J. S. Peelman to Mr. Gallagher memorandum dated 2/18/76, in February, 1976, "Newsday," a Long Island, New York, newspaper reported that Ed Redditt, the Memphis, Tennessee, City Detective guarding King was pulled from his post hours before King was assassinated and told the U. S. Secret Service had learned of a "contract" on his life. Redditt who protested his removal, reportedly had a "contingency plan" to apprehend any King assassin. On 2/17/76, this article furnished to the Civil Rights Division (CRD), U. S. Department of Justice (USDJ), which, at that time, had the FBI investigation of Dr. King under review, stating FBI was conducting no investigation re this article unless specifically requested by the CRD. Article in "Washington Post," 9/18/76 (copy attached) reported U. S. House of Representatives created a select committee to investigate assassinations of President Kennedy and Dr. King. Reported basis for House investigation re Dr. King deals with ordered removal of Redditt from King security on day of his death due to reported attempt on life of Redditt's family. Order for his removal attributed to Memphis Fire and Police Director Frank Holloman (retired)

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Special Agent of FBI). Reported basis also deals with "sudden transfer" of two black fireman, including Floyd Newsum, from firehouse across the street from motel where King was shot. The FBI civil rights assassination investigative file (Bufile 44-38861) reflects the CRD furnished a memorandum dated 9/23/68 containing results of interviews which J. Harold Flannery, Deputy Section Chief, Central Section, CRD, had with William Sartor, a contract writer for Time, Inc., who as a reporter had been inquiring into possible conspiracy to assassinate Dr. King. Sartor furnished various information, including the "Cosa Nostra" or "Mafia" could be involved, Redditt was moved from assignment at fire station, and two Negro firemen were moved from the station a day or two before the shooting. CRD requested FBI to "follow out" all of Sartor's indicated leads. FBI investigation in 1968 reflects that upon instructions from an Inspector of the Memphis Police Department (PD), Detective Redditt removed from guard duty due to information received from Senator McClellan's Senate Investigating Committee that a Negro detective was to be killed. Inspector believed this another threat against Redditt, who had been previously threatened, and removed Redditt for own protection. Memphis PD determined Negro fireman Floyd E. Newsum active in demonstrations by striking sanitation workers and closely associated with black militants. Newsum transferred to insure safety for Officers Redditt and another officer and to insure no information leaked to black militants. Another Negro fireman routinely reassigned due to manpower shortage. This investigation by FBI reported in Memphis letterhead memorandum (LHM) dated 11/21/68, disseminated to CRD 11/27/68, and by request also furnished to Office of Professional Responsibility Task Force, U. S. Department of Justice, on 6/4/76, which Office is presently reviewing the FBI investigation of Dr. King.

Bufile 44-38861 also reflects on 1/30/69 Rev. Ralph Abernathy, President of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, advised that Rev. James Lawson told him two Negro firemen, assigned to fire station across from King motel, were moved leaving fire station unmanned, and a Negro policeman was moved from beat of King's motel. (LHM reporting this furnished CRD 2/3/69). FBI investigation at Memphis PD reflected it had no officers assigned to "walking beat" on day King killed. Rev. Lawson interviewed by FBI on 2/11/69 and stated Floyd E. Newsum and another Negro

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fireman were transferred, and Detective Redditt was removed from fire station, and these occurrences may have some significance. This new select House Committee, to date, has made no requests of the FBI.

RECOMMENDATION: For information. The CRD is being advised, and the Task Force Leader of the Office of Professional Responsibility, U. S. Department of Justice, presently reviewing the FBI investigation of Dr. King will be advised of the location of this information in Bufile 44-38861.

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DETAILS: This case pertains to the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., on 4/4/68. James Earl Ray pled guilty to this murder and presently is in local confinement in Tennessee.

As set forth in a J. S. Peelman to Mr. Gallagher memorandum dated 2/18/76, a United Press International Wire Service article dated 2/14/76, stated the following:

"Garden City, N.Y. (UPI) -- The top law enforcement official in Memphis, Tennessee, removed a detective assigned to protect Martin Luther King hours before the Civil Rights leader was assassinated in 1968, Newsday reported Saturday.

In a copyrighted story in its Sunday edition, the Long Island newspaper said Ed Redditt, the city detective guarding King, was pulled from his post and told there was a plot to kill him.

The Memphis Public Safety Director did not replace Redditt after taking him off the assignment and allowed the detective to return to work three days after King was shot to death at the Lorraine Motel Newsday said.

It also said Redditt 'had prepared a contingency plan to enable the police department to apprehend an assassin should an attempt be made on King's life.'

'After Redditt was removed from duty, he was told at a meeting in police headquarters that the U. S.

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Secret Service had learned of a 'contract' on his life,'
Newsday said.

'Redditt protested, saying he wanted to return
to his post, but the city's then Public Safety
Director, Frank Holloman, insisted on the officer's
removal,' the newspaper said.

'Enroute home with his police guard, Redditt
heard over the radio that King had been shot by an
assassin,' the story said.

'Three days later, the round-the-clock guard
watching Redditt was removed and he was allowed
to return to work. The police department never
offered any further explanation of the 'contract'
on his life,' Newsday said.

The story also said Holloman acknowledged
the report of a threat on Redditt's life, but refused
to say who had made the threat.

'Redditt's assassination contingency plan,
according to sources, called for the entire
four-block area around King's Hotel to be
sealed off by patrol cars,' the article said."

On 2/17/76, this article was furnished to the CRD
USDJ, which at that time had the FBI investigation of Dr. King
under review, stating the FBI was conducting no investigation re
this article unless specifically requested by the CRD.

On 9/8/76, an article appeared in the "Washington Post,"
(copy attached), reporting that the U. S. House of Representatives
created a select committee to investigate the assassination of
President John F. Kennedy and Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.
The reported basis for the House investigation re Dr. King
deals with the ordered removal of Edward Redditt from King's
security on the day of his death due to a reported attempt on
the life of Redditt's family. The order for his removal was
attributed to Memphis Fire and Police Director Frank Holloman
(retired Special Agent of the FBI). The reported basis also
deals with the "sudden transfer" of two black firemen, including
Floyd Newsum, from the fire house across the street from the
motel where King was shot.

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The FBI civil rights assassination investigative file (Bufile 44-38861) reflects the CRD furnished a memorandum dated 9/23/68 (serial 5197) containing results of interviews which J. Harold Flannery, Deputy Section Chief, Central Section, CRD, had with William Sartor, a contract writer for Time, Inc., who as a reporter had been inquiring into a possible conspiracy to assassinate Dr. King. Sartor furnished various information, including that the "Cosa Nostra" or "Mafia" could be involved. Departmental Attorney Flannery also reported that Sartor furnished him with the following two allegations:

1. "An unidentified Negro policeman was moved from his assignment at the Fire Station (and Police Tactical Unit Station) at about 5:00 p.m. on the day of the assassination. According to Sartor, the Dispatcher told the policeman to move two or three times during the afternoon, but he did not do so until explicitly advised to that effect by a superior. In August, Sartor identified the policeman as E. E. Redditt and said that Redditt had broken off an interview with Sartor after starting to discuss his move from the station."

2. "Two Negro firemen were moved from the station a day or two before the shooting. One of them has reportedly told friends that, two or three days before Dr. King was shot, a telescope or binoculars were set up on a tripod in the fire station and focused on the Lorraine Motel balcony. In August, Sartor said that one fireman left the Department or was suspended shortly after the shooting, and that he has been unable to locate either of them. He did not have their names."

The CRD requested the FBI to "follow out" all of Sartor's indicated leads.

By LHM, the Memphis Office of the FBI reported the results of the investigation re the above two items as set forth below (serial 5387):

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"In this regard, Inspector G. P. Tines, Intelligence Unit, Memphis Police Department, advised on 11/18/68, that on 4/3/68 he assigned Detective E. E. Redditt and Patrolman W. B. Richmond, Negro officers, both of whom are assigned to the Inspection Division of the Memphis Police Department, to a security detail at the Memphis Fire Station, Engine House #2, located at Butler and Main Streets. This location is approximately one block from the Lorraine Motel. The purpose of this assignment was to observe the activities of the "Invaders," local Black Power group at Memphis. A number of the "Invaders" were rooming at the Lorraine Motel at this time. These two officers were equipped with binoculars and were stationed in a room at the rear of the fire station with a view that included the room later occupied by the Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr.

In connection with this assignment, and prior to the time Officers Redditt and Richmond physically proceeded to this assigned location, it was determined by the Intelligence Unit of the Memphis Police Department that a Negro fireman stationed at the Fire Station and named Floyd E. Newsum had taken an active part in demonstrations by the striking sanitation workers in February and March, 1968, and had been closely associated with black militants connected with the strike. In order to insure security for Officers Redditt and Richmond, and to insure that no information regarding the Memphis Police Department Intelligence Unit's efforts to keep abreast of the activities of the "Invaders" was leaked to the black militants in Memphis, the Chief of the Memphis Fire Department was requested to temporarily transfer Fireman Newsum to another fire station. This was done on 4/3/68.

In addition, on 4/4/68, Negro Fireman Norvell E. Wallace was routinely assigned from Fire Station #2 to Fire Station #31, due to a manpower shortage at Fire station #31.

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At approximately 4:15 p.m. on 4/4/68, Lt. E. H. Arkin of the Intelligence Unit of the Memphis Police Department, on instructions from Inspector Tines, proceeded to Fire Engine House #2 and removed Detective Redditt from this station, leaving Officer Richmond at this post. The reason for the removal of Officer Redditt was due to the receipt of a telephone call on the morning of 4/4/68 by Philip Manuel, Chief Investigator for Senator McClellan's Senate Investigating Committee, Washington, D. C., to the effect that information had been received by the Committee that a Negro detective on the Memphis Police Department was to be killed.

Due to Detective E. E. Redditt's activities in attending meetings of the striking sanitation workers in February and March, 1968, Redditt had been threatened on several occasions. Inspector Tines therefore believed the telephone call received by the McClellan Committee was another threat directed against Redditt. He therefore ordered Redditt removed from his lookout post at Engine House #2 for Redditt's own protection. A police guard of two officers was assigned to Redditt and his family as a result of this threat.

A review of the tapes of the Memphis Police Department radio transmissions for April 4, 1968, failed to reflect any transmissions from Police Dispatcher ordering Redditt to move from his observation post and, in fact, it has been ascertained that no radio equipment was maintained by the police officers at this observation post with which to receive radio transmissions."

This Memphis LHM also disseminated to the CRD on 11/27/68 and by request was also furnished to the Office of Professional Responsibility Task Force, USDJ, on 6/4/76, which office is presently reviewing the FBI investigation of Dr. King.

An LHM from the Atlanta Office of the FBI dated 1/31/69 (serial 5531) reflected that Rev. Ralph Abernathy, President of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, was interviewed by the FBI on 1/30/69 and he advised that several months previously, Rev. James Lawson told him the day before the assassination of Dr. King that two Negro firemen, who had been assigned to the fire station across the street from the motel where Dr. King was killed, were moved to another fire station.

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According to Rev. Lawson that move left the fire station unmanned and they were moved to a station which was already fully manned and equipped. Also according to Rev. Lawson, a Negro policeman, who worked the beat which included the motel where Dr. King was killed, was moved off of that beat the day Dr. King was killed, April 4, 1968, but prior to the killing. This Atlanta LHM was furnished to the CRD on 2/3/69.

An airtel from the Memphis Office of the FBI, dated 1/31/69 (serial 5533) reflects information from the Memphis PD that it had no officers assigned to a "walking beat" in Memphis on the day Dr. King was killed.

An airtel from our Memphis Office dated 2/11/69 (serial 5557) reflects that Rev. Lawson was interviewed by the FBI on 2/11/69 and he advised he feels that certain occurrences may have some significance.

Rev. Lawson said that on about April 2 or April 3, 1968, a Negro fireman, Floyd E. Newsom, was transferred from the firestation near the Lorraine Motel to another station that was already fully manned. He also said that another Negro fireman, name unknown, was transferred from that same station to another station on either Tuesday or Wednesday night before King was murdered on Thursday afternoon. He said this second fireman was transferred in the middle of his shift and was transferred "out of rotation."

Rev. Lawson explained "out of rotation" as follows:

When a fireman is assigned to a piece of equipment he remains in that assignment until all the men already assigned to it have been transferred. In other words, the last man assigned is the last man transferred.

Rev. Lawson stated also that a Negro police officer, Detective E. E. Redditt, who had been assigned to the same fire station to provide protection for Dr. King, had been removed from the station sometime prior to the murder.

Rev. Lawson stated he has made no attempt to verify any of this information except for his interview with Floyd Newsom.

This new select House Committee, to date, has made no request of the FBI.

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TO : Mr. Gallagher

DATE: 11/29/76

FROM : J. S. Peelman

SUBJECT: REQUEST TO MAINTAIN PERTINENT
KENNEDY - KING FILES IN
ROOM 4436, JEH
CONGRESSIONAL INQUIRY UNIT

1 - Mr. Gallagher
1 - Mr. Ingram
1 - Mr. Peelman
1 - Mr. Lawn
1 - Mr. Decker
1 - Mr. William L. Bailey

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PURPOSE: To request authority to maintain those files relating to the assassinations of Martin Luther King, Jr., and John F. Kennedy in Room 4436, JEH, in order to respond to access requests from the House Select Committee on Assassinations as approved by the Office of Legislative Affairs, U. S. Department of Justice.

RECOMMENDATION: That authority be granted to maintain pertinent Kennedy - King files as set out below in Room 4436.

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DETAILS: The Congressional Inquiry Unit was formed to respond to the anticipated requests from the House Select Committee on Assassinations. In order to respond expeditiously to these requests and to prepare excised material for access to this committee, it is necessary that files pertinent to the inquiries of the House Select Committee be maintained in Room 4436, JEH. These files are identified as follows:

44-38861 "Murkin"

62-109060 "Assassinations of JFK"

62-109090 "Liaison with Warren Commission"

105-82555 "Lee Harvey Oswald"

The retention of these files would be temporary until such time as the requirements of the House Select Committee are met, at which time the files would be returned to the Records Management Division.

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1 - 44-38861
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TO : Mr. Gallagher

DATE: 11/8/76

FROM : J. S. Peelman

SUBJECT: HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE
ON ASSASSINATIONS

1 - Mr. Gallagher
1 - Mr. Ingram
1 - Mr. Peelman
1 - Mr. Helterhoff
1 - Mr. Cooke
1 - Mr. Burton
1 - Mr. Deegan

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PURPOSE: To furnish comments by the Civil Rights Section, General Investigative Division (GID), as to Committee access to the Civil Rights investigation into the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. (Bufile 44-38861).

SYNOPSIS: House Select Committee on Assassinations has requested access to FBI files and Department of Justice files concerning the assassinations of President John F. Kennedy and Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. (copy of Committee letter attached). Legal Counsel Division has requested comments from GID re Committee access. (Copy of Legal Counsel memorandum attached.) Dr. King was assassinated on 4/4/68 and the FBI conducted an immediate Civil Rights investigation per the request of the Department. Our investigative results were furnished to the Department and based upon the authority from the Department, certain pertinent investigative results were furnished to the State of Tennessee authorities. James Earl Ray pled guilty on 3/10/69 to the murder of Dr. King before a state court in Tennessee and presently is in local confinement. In November, 1975, the Attorney General directed Assistant Attorneys General Pottinger and Thornburgh to review the files relating to Martin Luther King and make a recommendation as to whether the assassination case should be reopened. In April, 1976, the Attorney General requested the Department's Office of Professional Responsibility (OPR) to complete the review of all records re Dr. King. The Department's OPR still has this King matter under review. Any decision relative to Committee access to the Civil Rights assassination investigation of Dr. King rests within the province of the Department. The Department should also be advised that in making its decision it should also consider:

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(1) What authority the Committee has to request access;
(2) What effect access would have on the local prosecution and the rights of Ray who has his case under appeal to the U. S. Supreme Court. ("Washington Post" article re his appeal attached); (3) What effect Committee access would have on privacy of those individuals who furnished information in a criminal case; (4) If Department grants access, it should oppose disclosing identity of informants or persons who furnished information on a confidential basis and (5) What action it intends to take to obtain third-agency clearance including foreign Governments; (6) The decision to furnish

_____ remains within the province of the Department; (7) The FBI has not prepared any summary of the King assassination investigative results other than that contained on the summary (synopsis) pages of each report and a report containing a prosecutive summary; (8) The Civil Rights Section recommends no meeting with staff members until Department makes its decision.

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RECOMMENDATION: That these comments of the Civil Rights Section be furnished to the Criminal Section of the GID (attention Mr. Len S. Burton), which section is coordinating the overall GID response to this matter.

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DETAILS: The House Select Committee on Assassinations has requested access to FBI files and Department of Justice files concerning the assassinations of President John F. Kennedy and Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. (Committee letter attached). The Legal Counsel Division has requested comments of the GID as to the Committee's access to these files. (copy of Legal Counsel memorandum attached). The Civil Rights assassination investigation of Dr. King is located in Bufile 44-38861.

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Dr. King was shot to death by an assassin's bullet while standing on a balcony of a motel in Memphis, Tennessee, on 4/4/68. The U. S. Department of Justice requested the FBI to conduct an immediate Civil Rights investigation into this assassination which was confirmed in writing by a letter from Stephen J. Pollak, Assistant Attorney General, Civil Rights Division, to the Director of the FBI, which requested a full investigation into a possible violation of Title 18, U. S. Code, Section 241, (possible conspiracy to violate the Civil Rights of Dr. King, namely, the right to travel interstate.)

The FBI conducted an extensive, exhaustive investigation into this assassination and James Earl Ray was identified as the assassin. Our investigative results were furnished to the Civil Rights Division, U. S. Department of Justice, and based upon the authority of the Department, certain pertinent investigative results were furnished to the appropriate local authorities in the State of Tennessee. On 3/10/69, in state court, Memphis, Tennessee, Ray entered a plea of guilty to charges of the murder of King and received a 99-year sentence. Ray is presently in local confinement.

By letter dated 12/4/75, the Attorney General of the United States advised that on 11/24/75, he directed Assistant Attorneys General J. Stanley Pottinger and Richard L. Thornburgh to review the files relating to Martin Luther King at once in the light of recent testimony, and make a recommendation as to whether the assassination case should be reopened. The Department had complete access to the Civil Rights assassination investigative file during its review.

On 4/29/76, the Attorney General of the United States issued the following news release:

"I have directed the Office of Professional Responsibility, headed by Michael Shaheen, to complete a review of all records in the Department of Justice concerning the Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. The Civil Rights Division, under the personal direction of Assistant Attorney General J. Stanley Pottinger, completed on April 9 a five-month preliminary review

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of files at FBI headquarters. As a result of this preliminary review, the Civil Rights Division has recommended that the review be carried forward to completion with an additional examination of records at FBI headquarters and field offices. It is believed that more than 200,000 documents may be involved.

On the basis of this preliminary review, Assistant Attorney General Pottinger stated that his tentative conclusions were (1) there was no basis to believe that the FBI in any way caused the death of Dr. King, (2) no evidence was discovered that the FBI investigation of the assassination of Dr. King was not thorough and honest, and (3) instances were found indicating that the FBI undertook a systematic program of harassment of Dr. King in order to discredit him and harm both him and the movement he led.

In ordering on April 26 the complete review by Mr. Shaheen, I directed that the investigation be completed forthwith and that answers to four specific questions be furnished to me and FBI Director Clarence M. Kelley on the basis of the review of all documents:

-- Whether the FBI investigation of Dr. King's assassination was thorough and honest;

-- Whether there is any evidence that the FBI was involved in the assassination of Dr. King;

-- Whether, in light of the first two matters, there is any new evidence which has come to the attention of the Department concerning the assassination of Dr. King;

-- Whether the nature of the relationship between the Bureau and Dr. King calls for criminal prosecutions, disciplinary proceedings, or other appropriate action.

Mr. Pottinger pointed out that the Civil Rights Division has been continuously investigating allegations concerning the assassination of Dr. King as these allegations come to the attention of the Department."

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The Department's OPR still has this matter under review and has had complete access to the Civil Rights assassination investigative files both at FBIHQ and in all of our field offices.

The decision as to what access, if any, the Committee has to the FBI file on the Civil Rights assassination of Dr. King, therefore, rests entirely within the province of the Department of Justice. The Department should also be advised that in making its decision relative to Committee access, it should also consider the following:

(1) The Department should determine what authority the Committee has to request access to the Civil Rights assassination investigation of Dr. King. For example, is it requesting such access for a specific legislative interest? If not, such access by the Committee could be construed by some as an effort by a legislative body to act as a "grand jury" even though James Earl Ray has already been processed through the court system;

(2) The Department should determine what effect any such Committee access to our investigative results in the Civil Rights assassination investigation of Dr. King (including the physical evidence, FBI Laboratory and Identification reports, etc.) would have on the local prosecution of James Earl Ray and upon the rights of Mr. Ray, who has recently appealed his conviction to the U. S. Supreme Court. ("Washington Post" article re appeal attached). If necessary, the Department should resolve this with the State of Tennessee authorities and with Mr. Ray's counsel;

(3) The Department should determine what effect any such access would have on the privacy of those individuals who furnished information to the FBI in a criminal case the FBI was investigating (Title 18, U. S. Code, Section 241);

(4) If the Department grants access to the Committee, it should oppose disclosing the identity of any informants or persons who furnished information on an expressed confidential basis;

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(5) If the Department grants Committee access, the Department should advise what action it intends to take to obtain third-agency clearance including obtaining authority from those foreign Governments which furnished investigative results, such as Canada (where Mr. Ray stayed and obtained a passport) and London (where Mr. Ray was captured);

(6) The decision to furnish [REDACTED] HSCA
[REDACTED] remains within the province of the Department. For instance, certain material was turned over to the State of Tennessee authorities based upon the authority of the Department and the Department would have to make a decision as to whether this itemization could be made available to the Committee. Other material from our files has also been made available pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act;

(7) The FBI has not prepared any summary of the Civil Rights investigation of the assassination of Dr. King. Neither the Civil Rights Division nor the OPR requested such a summary during its review. Each investigative report contains a summary (synopsis) page and a prosecutive summary report and a non-prosecutive summary report were also previously prepared. There is, of course, extensive public source information available concerning this matter;

(8) Inasmuch as any Committee access to the Civil Rights investigation of the assassination of Dr. King remains within the province of the Department, the Civil Rights Section of the GID recommends that no meeting be held re the Civil Rights investigation with staff members of the Committee until the Department makes its decision in this matter.

These comments of the Civil Rights Section of the GID are in no way intended to be obstructive but it is felt the Department must resolve these issues before it can make a determination as to whether or not it will grant Committee access to the Civil Rights investigative file on the assassination of Dr. King.

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The problem presented by the fact James Earl Ray was convicted of the assassination of Martin Luther King, Jr., may be currently appealing his conviction is known to the Department, and Larry Callaghan, Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, has indicated this factor will not preclude committee access to the information involved.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the captioned Committee be granted access to the information they seek, governed by the agreement with the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence Activities.

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'Ray Appeals Conviction in King Murder

Associated Press

James Earl Ray, convicted killer of civil rights leader Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., asked the Supreme Court yesterday to review his case, claiming he was "set up to take the rap for a crime he didn't commit."

Ray's appeal said he was "framed by the FBI and local police, and then coerced by his own attorney to plead guilty against his will."

James H. Lesar, the Washington attorney representing Ray, wrote in asking the court to review Ray's conviction: "The charge is that those who did kill Dr. King are still at large, protected in part by the unwillingness of the courts to face these unpleasant facts."

The petition did not mention an investigation recently begun by the House into the assassinations of King and President Kennedy.

King was killed by a rifle blast as he stood on a motel balcony in Memphis in 1968.

Ray was arrested in London and brought back to the United States to stand trial. He pleaded guilty.

In his petition, Ray, now an inmate serving a life term in the Tennessee state penitentiary, said a thorough review of his conviction is needed because potential conflicts of interest between two of his attorneys denied him "effective assistance of counsel." Ray was represented originally by attorneys Arthur Hanes and Percy Foreman.

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The National Observer _____
The Los Angeles Times _____

Date 10/9/76

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ENCLOSURE

Re: Ray, James Earl, 11-8-76, 71012: 1-1
and 11-12-76, 71012: 1-1

1 - Mr. Adams - Enc.
1 - Mr. Gallagher - Enc.
1 - Mr. Leavitt - Enc.

November 18, 1976

Assistant Attorney General
Office of Legislative Affairs

1 - Mr. Mintz - Enc.
2 - Mr. Daly - Enc.

Director, FBI

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HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS

Reference is made to Chairman Thomas N. Downing's request contained in his letter of November 2, 1976, addressed to the Attorney General, requesting certain information concerning the assassinations of President John F. Kennedy and Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

You referred the aforementioned request to the FBI for comments concerning access to FBI files. In this regard, I believe that this Committee should be granted the same degree of access for appropriately cleared personnel as was granted to the House Select Committee on Intelligence Activities (HSC) and the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence Activities (SSC). I am taking the liberty of enclosing a copy of the agreement between the Attorney General and Chairman Frank Church of the SSC concerning access to FBI files.

I wish to advise you in connection with the FBI's investigation into the assassination of Dr. King that the news media has reported James Earl Ray who was convicted in that matter has petitioned the Supreme Court to review his case.

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It would appear advantageous to meet with representatives of the Committee so that they might be informed as to the FBI's filing system and in a general fashion, concerning the FBI's investigations into the two assassinations identified in their letter so that the Committee might better understand what information is in the possession of the FBI.

ENCLOSURE

TO BE HAND DELIVERED BY
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(LEGAL COUNSEL DIVISION)

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (62-117290) (PRIORITY)

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ATTN: GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION, CIVIL RIGHTS SECTION,
CONGRESSIONAL INQUIRY UNIT.

HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS.

RE: BUREAU TELETYPE TO ALL SACS, JANUARY 6, 1977.

INVENTORY OF ALBANY FILES SET FORTH AS FOLLOWS:

1. THE ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY, NOVEMBER 22,
1963, OO: DALLAS, BUFILE 62-109060.

A. FIELD OFFICE FILE AL 62-1646.

B. FILE TITLE AND CHARACTER: ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT
KENNEDY. NOVEMBER 22, SIXTY THREE. DALLAS TEXAS.

C. DESCRIPTION OF CONTENTS: COMMUNICATIONS ~~RECEIVED~~ 62-117290-36
ASSASSINATION CARBINE POSSIBLE HAVING BEEN IMPORTED BY A FIRM
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NO FILES HAVE BEEN DESTROYED RE THE MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.,
ASSASSINATION (MURKIN).

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TO DIRECTOR (62-117290) ROUTINE
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A. ALBUQUERQUE 89-27

B. ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY,
NOVEMBER 22, 1963, DALLAS, TEXAS.

C. THIS FILE CONSISTS OF 195 SERIALS CONTAINED IN APPROXIMATELY
ONE AND ONE-THIRD VOLUMES. IT CONTAINS THE RESULTS OF INVESTIGATION
CONDUCTED IN CONNECTION WITH THE ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN
F. KENNEDY RECEIVED FROM COMPLAINANTS ALLEGING TO HAVE INFORMATION
REGARDING THE ASSASSINATION AND COVERAGE OF LEADS FROM THE BUREAU
AND OTHER FIELD OFFICES. RESULTS OF THE INVESTIGATION ARE IN

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JOURNAL CLIPPINGS OF SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER, 1964 AND THE REPORT ON THE PRESIDENT'S COMMISSION ON ASSASSINATIONS OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY, INDEX RECEIVED BY BUREAU ROUTING SLIP DATED DECEMBER 7, 1964.

THE FILE CONTAINS NO TAPES, ELECTRONIC FISUR LOGS AND/OR TRANSCRIPTS, PHOTOGRAPHS, BULKY EXHIBITS OR SUB-FILES. NO MATERIAL WAS DESTROYED.

NO MATERIAL RELATIVE TO THE MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. ASSASSINATION (MURKIN) HAS BEEN DESTROYED UNDER THE DESTRUCTION OF FILES AND RECORDS PROGRAM.

OF THE LISTED FILES RELATING TO THE JOHN F. KENNEDY ASSASSINATION, NO MATERIAL HAS BEEN DESTROYED OTHER THAN ALBUQUERQUE FILE 44-391 CAPTIONED JACK RUEY; LEE HARVEY OSWALD; CR, AS NOTED ABOVE
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FOLLOWING FILES NEVER EXISTED IN THIS OFFICE:

(1) MARINA N. OSWALD

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BUFILE 100-126232

(2) JACK RUBY;

LEE HARVEY OSWALD - VICTIM

CIVIL RIGHTS

BUFILE 44-24016

FOLLOWING FILES EXISTED BUT WERE DESTROYED IN ACCORDANCE

WITH BUREAU-APPROVED PROCEDURE:

(1) THE ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY

NOVEMBER 22, 1963

OO: DALLAS

BUFILE 62-109060; BERFILE 62-4

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(2) LEE HARVEY OSWALD

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OO: DALLAS BUFILE 105-82555; BERFILE 105-257

IT IS NOTED THAT BERNCAB AUGUST 23, 1976, CAPTIONED "MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.," INDICATED THE FOLLOWING FILES HAD EXISTED IN THIS OFFICE AND HAD BEEN DESTROYED IN ACCORDANCE WITH BUREAU-APPROVED PROCEDURE:

(1) MURKIN (BERFILE 88-21; BUFILE 44-38861)

(2) MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. (BERFILE 88-21)

(3) STANLEY DAVID LEVISON; IS - C

(BERFILE 100-1153; BUFILE 100-392452) (DESTROYED MARCH 1971)

ADDITIONALLY, THERE WAS REFERENCE TO JACK RUBY AND LEE HARVEY OSWALD IN BERN FILE 9-1, BUFILE 9-41826, WHICH HAS BEEN DESTROYED IN ACCORDANCE WITH BUREAU-APPROVED PROCEDURE.

FOLLOWING FILE EXISTS:

PRESIDENT'S COMMISSION ON THE ASSASSINATION OF
PRESIDENT KENNEDY (WARREN COMMISSION)

(BERFILE 62-65; BUFILE 62-109090)

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TO DIRECTOR (62-117290) ROUTINE 008-26

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ATTENTION GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION, CIVIL RIGHTS SECTION,
CONGRESSIONAL INQUIRY UNIT.

HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS.

REBUTEL TO ALL LEGATS JANUARY 6, 1977.

HONG KONG INDICES CONTAIN ONLY THE FOLLOWING REFERENCES TO
ITEMS OF INTEREST MENTIONED IN RETEL:

"KENNEDY, JOHN FITZGERALD (PRESIDENT), ASSASSINATION OF,
NOVEMBER 22, 1963, DALLAS, TEXAS" DATED MARCH, 1964, HONFILE
62-49.

"RUBY, JACK L." DATED MARCH, 1964, HONFILE 62-49-1.

"OSWALD, LEE HARVEY" DATED MARCH, 1964, HONFILE 62-49-1.

"PRESIDENT'S COMMISSION ON THE ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT
KENNEDY" DATED DECEMBER, 1964, HONFILE 62-49-15.

HONG KONG FILE 62-49 WAS DESTROYED ON JULY 13, 1973, IN
ACCORDANCE WITH BUREAU FILE DESTRUCTION PROGRAM.

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HONG KONG INDICES FURTHER CONTAIN REFERENCE TO "ASSASSINATION OF JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY, NOVEMBER 22, 1963, DALLAS, TEXAS" DATED APRIL, 1967, HONFILE 89-00. A REVIEW OF HONFILE 89-00 FAILED TO LOCATE ANY COMMUNICATION WITH THIS CAPTION AND DID NOT SHOW DATE OF DESTRUCTION. IT IS ASSUMED, HOWEVER, THAT IT WAS DESTROYED.

AS SET FORTH IN HONTEL DATED AUGUST 19, 1976, CAPTIONED "MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.; BUDED AUGUST 30, 1976" LEGAT, HONG KONG HAS NO REFERENCES TO MARTIN LUTHER KING OR TO ANY FILES ENUMERATED IN BUREAU CABLE TO ALL LEGATS DATED AUGUST 19, 1976, EXCEPT "MURKIN" WHICH WERE HONFILES 44-1 AND 44-2, WHICH HAVE BEEN DESTROYED.

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TO DIRECTOR (62-117290) ROUTINE 012-11

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ATTENTION: GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION, CIVIL RIGHTS
SECTION, CONGRESSIONAL INQUIRY UNIT

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REBUCAB, JANUARY 6, 1977.

A REVIEW OF BONN INDICES AND FILES CONCERNING THE CASES
MENTIONED IN REFERENCED CABLE INDICATES THAT THE ORIGINAL
FILE RELATING TO THE ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN F.
KENNEDY (BONFILE 62-36) (BUFILE 62-109060) WAS DESTROYED ON
SEPTEMBER 10, 1969; THE CURRENT FILE WAS REOPENED ON
JANUARY 15, 1976 AND CONTAINS NO ITEMS FOR INVENTORY PURPOSES.
THE FILE RELATING TO JACK RUBY (BONFILE 9-3) (BUFILE
44-24016) WAS DESTROYED ON SEPTEMBER 5, 1965. THE DESTRU-
TION OF THE AFOREMENTIONED FILES WAS IN ACCORDANCE WITH
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AT THE TIME OF THE DESTRUCTION.

BONN FILES CONTAIN NO INFORMATION IDENTIFIABLE WITH MARINA N. OSWALD (BUFILE 100-126032) OR THE PRESIDENT'S COMMISSION ON THE ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY (WARREN COMMISSION) (BUFILE 62-109090) ON THE BASIS OF INFORMATION FURNISHED.

BONN HAS NO MAIN FILE RELATING TO LEE HARVEY OSWALD (BUFILE 105-82555) AND POSSESSES NO MATERIAL RELATING TO HIM FOR INVENTORY PURPOSES.

ORIGINAL BONN FILE 100-1184 RELATING TO MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., (BUFILE 100-106670) WAS DESTROYED ON FEBRUARY 28, 1969, IN ACCORDANCE WITH ESTABLISHED DESTRUCTION INSTRUCTIONS AND PROCEDURES IN EFFECT AT THE TIME OF THE DESTRUCTION AND THE FACT WAS MOST RECENTLY MADE KNOWN TO FBIHQ BY BONN CABLE DATED AUGUST 25, 1976, ENTITLED MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI (62-117290) (ROUTINE)

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RE BUREAU TELETYPE TO ALL SACS, JANUARY 6, 1977.

FILE REVIEW AT OMAHA DETERMINED THE FOLLOWING MATERIAL
LOCATED AT OMAHA PERTAINING TO BELOW-LISTED MATTERS:

1. ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY, NOVEMBER
22, 1963, CO: DALLAS, OMAHA FILE 62-2, SERIAL 8452,
(DESTROYED). OMAHA FILE 89-22, JOHN F. KENNEDY
ASSASSINATION FILE, OO DALLAS, DL 89-43 (DESTROYED).

2. LEE HARVEY OSWALD; IS-R-CUBA, OO: DALLAS, OMAHA FILE
89-22, SERIAL 3 (DESTROYED). LEE HARVEY OSWALD;
IS-R, OMAHA FILE 125-2119 - FILE CONTAINS 51 SERIALS.

IT ALSO CONTAINS FD-328 SIGNED BY [REDACTED]

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AND FOUR PHOTOS OF JOHN HOWARD BOWEN. UNSUB, AKA

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NO MATERIAL RELATING TO MARTIN LUTHER KING, MURKIN
INVESTIGATION OR ANY OTHER FILES MENTIONED IN REFERENCED
TELETYPE HAVE BEEN DESTROYED WITHIN THE OMAHA DIVISION
OTHER THAN THOSE SET FORTH ABOVE UNDER INDIVIDUAL SECTIONS.
THOSE FILES WERE DESTROYED DURING ROUTINE IMPLIMENTATION
OF DESTRUCTION OF FILES AND RECORDS PROGRAM.

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TO DIRECTOR (62-117902) ROUTINE

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CONGRESSIONAL INQUIRY UNIT

HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS.

RE BUREAU TELETYPE TO ALL SACS, JANUARY 5, 1977.

IN RESPONSE TO REFERENCED TELETYPE, THE FOLLOWING
INFORMATION PERTAINING TO INVENTORY OF PERTINENT FILES IS
AS FOLLOWS:

(1) OKLAHOMA CITY FILE 89-41 ENTITLED "ASSASSINATION OF
PRESIDENT JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY, NOVEMBER 22, 1963, DALLAS,
TEXAS", OO: DALLAS, ORIGINALLY CARRIED UNDER AFO CHARACTER.
FILE CONSISTS OF TWO VOLUMES OF 472 SERIALS, COVERING PERIOD FROM
NOVEMBER 22, 1963, TO MARCH 8, 1976, MEASURING 3 1/2 INCHES
AND PERTAINS TO ROUTINE CORRESPONDENCE AND RESULTS OF
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(5) OKLAHOMA CITY FILE 62-2 82 ENTITLED "THE PRESIDENT'S COMMISSION ON THE ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY" IS AN ADMINISTRATIVE FILE COMPOSED OF ONE VOLUME OF 11 SERIALS, COVERING PERIOD OCTOBER 2, 1964, TO NOVEMBER 16, 1964, MEASURING APPROXIMATELY 1/3 INCH AND CONSISTS OF NEWSPAPER CLIPPINGS, ROUTINE CORRESPONDENCE FROM FBIHQ, AND MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS PERTAINING TO ISSUANCE OF WARREN COMMISSION REPORT. NO REFERENCE TO TAPES, ELECTRONIC LOGS, BULKY EXHIBITS, OR OTHER SIMILAR MATERIAL IS DEPICTED IN THIS FILE.

THE 1-A SECTION OF THIS FILE CONSISTS OF ONE VOLUME CONTAINING ONLY THE PAPERBACK EDITION AND INDEX OF THE WARREN COMMISSION REPORT.

AS INDICATED ABOVE, PORTIONS OF OKLAHOMA CITY FILE 44-430 PERTAINING TO THE CIVIL RIGHTS INVESTIGATION OF JACK RUBY, WERE DESTROYED IN ACCORDANCE WITH EXISTING INSTRUCTIONS. NO PORTIONS OF THE EXISTING FILES REGARDING THE MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR, ASSASSINATION OR "MURKIN" HAVE BEEN DESTROYED, AS PREVIOUSLY REPORTED.

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ATTN GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIV., CIVIL RIGHTS SECT.,
CONGRESSIONAL INQUIRY UNIT.

HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS.

REBUTEL TO ALL SAC'S 1/5/77³⁵

REVIEW KANSAS CITY FILES ON KENNEDY ASSASSINATION

REFLECTS FOLLOWING FILES:

1. (A) KC 62-8156. (B) THE ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT
JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY, 11/22/63; MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION
CONCERNING. (C) THIS FILE OPENED 11/22/63 BY BUTEL TO ALL
SAC'S 11/22/63 CAPTIONED AS ABOVE. LAST COMMUNICATION -
KANSAS CITY TELETYPE TO BUREAU 11/5/76 SETTING FORTH INFOR-
MATION DEVELOPED BY SA JAMES P. HOSTY, JR. FROM "WASHINGTON
POST" NEWSPAPER REPORTER ON 11/4/76. FILE CONTAINS 195
SERIALS CONSISTING MOSTLY OF ALL OFFICE COMMUNICATIONS FROM
BUREAU OR DALLAS AND SETTING FORTH OTHER MISCELLANEOUS

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SA JAMES P. HOSTY, JR.

REVIEW OF FILES IN MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. ASSASSINATION (MURKIN) REVEALED ONLY DESTRUCTION WAS MADE ON 3/14/74 OF TWO BULKY EXHIBITS, (1) A "VIBRO-GRAVER", MODEL B-73, IN USE IN THE INMATE CANTEEN, MISSOURI STATE PRISON, AT THE TIME OF JAMES EARL RAY'S ESCAPE. THIS ENGRAVER WAS USED AT THE PRISON TO ENGRAVE RAY'S PRISON NUMBER ON THE TRANSISTER RADIO CASE HE BOUGHT THE DAY BEFORE HIS ESCAPE AND WAS FOUND IN MEMPHIS AT THE SITE OF THE ASSASSINATION OF KENNEDY.

(2) "CHANNEL MASTER" TRANSISTER RADIO CASE BEARING SAMPLE ENGRAVED BY THIS TOOL. ALL OTHER MATERIAL IN THE FILE HAS BEEN RETAINED. REVIEW OF FILES RELATING TO MARTIN LUTHER KING HANDLED BY SA RAYMOND B. HOWE.

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FM LOUISVILLE (66-2612)

TO DIRECTOR (62-117290) PRIORITY

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ATTN: GID, CRS, CONGRESSIONAL INQUIRY UNIT

HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS
REBUTEL TO ALL OFFICES, JANUARY 6, 1977.

THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IS SUBMITTED IN RESPONSE TO
CURRENT INVENTORY OF PARTICULAR FILES REQUESTED IN REBUTEL:

1) LS 89-63 CAPTIONED, "ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN
F. KENNEDY, NOVEMBER 22, 1963; 00: DL," CONTAINS MISCELLANEOUS
INTRA-BUREAU COMMUNICATIONS RE COVERAGE OF LEADS AND ROUTINE INFO.

2) LS 105-620 CAPTIONED, "LEE HARVEY OSWALD, IS-R-
CUBA; 00: DALLAS," CONTAINS MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS
REGARDING COVERAGE OF LEADS.

3) LS 44-542 CAPTIONED "JACK LEON RUBY, AKA; LEE
HARVEY OSWALD, AKA - VICTIM; CR; 00: DALLAS," CONTAINS
MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS REGARDING BACKGROUND AND
COVERAGE OF LEADS.

4) LS 80-334 CAPTIONED "PRESIDENT'S COMMISSION ON THE

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ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY (WARREN COMMISSION);"
FILE HAS BEEN DESTROYED. INASMUCH AS ABOVE FILE HAD 80
CLASSIFICATION, SAME UNDOUBTEDLY CONTAINED PRIMARILY
MISCELLANEOUS NEWSPAPER CLIPPINGS AND NON INVESTIGATIVE
TYPE COMMUNICATIONS.

FILES PERTAINING TO THE MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
ASSASSINATION (MURKIN), INVENTORY OF WHICH HAS PREVIOUSLY
BEEN FURNISHED BUREAU, HAVE NOT BEEN DESTROYED AND ARE
BEING RETAINED FOR EVIDENTIARY AND HISTORICAL VALUE.

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FM TAMPA (67-00-718)

TO DIRECTOR (62-117290)

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ATTN: GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION, CIVIL RIGHTS SECTION,
CONGRESSIONAL INQUIRY UNIT.

HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS.

RE BUREAU TELETYPE TO ALL OFFICES, JANUARY 6, 1977.

TP 62-455 CAPTIONED "ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN F.
KENNEDY, NOVEMBER 22, 1963, DALLAS, TEXAS; MISCELLANEOUS -
INFORMATION CONCERNING," CONTAINS A TOTAL OF 381 SERIALS IN 3
VOLUMES DEALING WITH ROUTINE CORRESPONDENCE AND A FEW NEWS
CLIPPINGS. INVESTIGATION WAS LIMITED TO COVERING ROUTINE LEADS
FOR THE BUREAU AND OTHER OFFICES, AS WELL AS CONDUCTING LOCAL
INQUIRIES CONCERNING INDIVIDUALS PURPORTEDLY HAVING INFOR-
MATION REGARDING THE ASSASSINATION OR THREATS MADE AGAINST THE
PRESIDENT. THERE ARE APPROPRIATE INFORMANT CONTACTS, AND

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THE ASSASSINATION IN WHICH OSWALD WAS MENTIONED BY PERSONS UNDER SURVEILLANCE. THIS DATA WAS OF NO VALUE TO THE INVESTIGATION. THERE ARE NO SUB FILES.

TAMPA HAS NO FILE CAPTIONED "MARINA N. OSWALD, IS - R, SOBIR," BUFILE 100-126032.

TP 44-187 CAPTIONED "JACK RUBY; LEE HARVEY OSWALD - VICTIM; CIVIL RIGHTS," CONTAINS ONLY 10 ORIGINAL FD-302S REFLECTING INTERVIEWS OF RUBY'S ASSOCIATES AND ALLEGED ASSOCIATES IN THE TAMPA AREA. ALL OTHER MATERIAL IN THIS FILE HAS BEEN DESTROYED.

TP 62-568 CAPTIONED "PRESIDENT'S COMMISSION ON THE ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY," CONTAINS A TOTAL OF 22 SERIALS IN 1 VOLUME AND CONSISTS OF ROUTINE CORRESPONDENCE AND NEWS CLIPPINGS. NO INVESTIGATION WAS CONDUCTED BY THE TAMPA DIVISION. THIS FILE CONTAINS NO TAPED, ELECTRONIC SURVEILLANCE LOGS AND/OR TRANSCRIPTS, PHOTOGRAPHS OR BULKY EXHIBITS. THERE ARE NO SUB FILES.

SOME SERIALS IN TP 44-187, "JACK RUBY; LEE HARVEY OSWALD - VICTIM; CIVIL RIGHTS," HAVE BEEN DESTROYED AS NOTED ABOVE, AS HAS TP 100-716, "MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., SM-C."

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RE BUREAU TEL TO ALL OFFICES, JANUARY 6, 1977; AND COLUMBIA
TELETYPE TO BUREAU CAPTIONED "MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR." DATED
DECEMBER 11, 1975, AND AUGUST 2, 1976.

THE FOLLOWING RELATES TO BUREAU'S REQUEST THAT ALL OFFICES
CONDUCT INVENTORY OF CERTAIN FILES SET FORTH IN REFERENCED
BUREAU TELETYPE PERTAINING TO CAPTIONED MATTER.

THE COLUMBIA DIVISION WAS NOT OPENED UNTIL DECEMBER 1,
1965, WHICH WAS TWO YEARS AFTER THE ASSASSINATION OF KENNEDY.

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II. LEE HARVEY OSWALD, IS-P-CUBA. (OO: DALLAS)

BUREAU FILE 105-82555. COLUMBIA HAS NO MAIN CASE FILE ON OSWALD AND CONDUCTED NO INVESTIGATION IN THIS MATTER.

III. MARINA W. OSWALD, IS-P-SOBI, BUREAU FILE 100-126032.

COLUMBIA HAS NO MAIN CASE FILE FOR MARINA OSWALD AND CONDUCTED NO INVESTIGATION IN THIS MATTER.

IV. JACK RUBY: LEE HARVEY OSWALD - VICTIM, CR.

BUREAU FILE 44-24016. COLUMBIA HAS NO MAIN CASE FILE ON JACK RUBY AND CONDUCTED NO INVESTIGATION IN THIS MATTER.

V. PRESIDENTS COMMISSION ON THE ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY - WARREN COMMISSION. BUREAU FILE 61-109090.

COLUMBIA HAS NO MAIN CASE FILE ON ABOVE COMMISSION AND CONDUCTED NO INVESTIGATION IN THIS MATTER.

NO MATERIAL RELATIVE TO ABOVE LISTED FILES OR RELATED MATTERS HAVE BEEN DESTROYED BY COLUMBIA UNDER THE DESTRUCTION OF FILES AND RECORDS PROGRAM.

IN REGARD TO FILES PERTAINING TO MURKIN, BUREAU FILE 44-38861, COLUMBIA FILE 44-299 AND RELATED MATTERS, BUREAU WAS ADVISED BY REFERENCED COLUMBIA TELETYPE, AUGUST 2, 1976 THAT THIS FILE HAD BEEN DESTROYED BY COLUMBIA UNDER THE

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DESTRUCTION OF FILES AND RECORDS PROGRAM. A DESCRIPTION OF THIS FILE AND ITS CONTENTS, PRIOR TO DESTRUCTION, WAS FURNISHED TO BUREAU BY REFERENCED COLUMBIA TELETYPE DECEMBER 11, 1975. NO OTHER FILES RELATING TO KING MAINTAINED BY THIS OFFICE HAVE BEEN DESTROYED.

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TO DIRECTOR (62-117290) ROUTINE

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HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS.

RE BUREAU TELETYPE TO ALL SAC'S JAN 6, 1977.

THE FOLLOWING RECAPITULATES THE MAIN FILES ONLY ON CASES
AND SUBJECTS CITED BY NUMBER IN REBUTEL:

1. NO 89-69 IS CAPTIONED "ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN
FITZGERALD KENNEDY, DALLAS, TEXAS, NOV. 22, 1963, (TITLE
CURRENTLY CARRIES ADDITIONAL CHARACTER MISCELLANEOUS INFO
CONCERNING)." THIS FILE IS RECAPPED AS FOLLOWS:

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THERE WERE NO BULKY EXHIBITS, TAPES, OR ELSUR LOGS/ TRANSCRIPTS OBTAINED. PHOTOGRAPHS OBTAINED WERE OF JACK L. RUBY, A GROUP OF LABOR LEADERS VISITING ISRAEL IN 1955, AND PERSONS AT THE CAROUSEL CLUB. NONE OF THIS FILE WAS DESTROYED.

THE CASE IN ITEM 5 OF REBUTEL, THE WARREN COMMISSION, WAS NOT INDEXED BY NEW ORLEANS. ALL MATTERS REGARDING THE WARREN COMMISSION WERE HANDLED IN NO 89-69 AND 100-16601 (ITEMS ONE AND TWO ABOVE).

THE MURKIN FILES WERE AGAIN REVIEWED AND NONE HAVE BEEN DESTROYED.

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REBUTEL, JANUARY 6, 1977.

INVENTORY REQUESTED IS AS FOLLOWS:

(1) BS 89-43 - ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY,
DALLAS, TEXAS, NOVEMBER 22, 1963.

THIS FILE, INITIATED IN 1963, WAS DESTROYED IN 1969, UNDER
THE DESTRUCTION OF FILES AND RECORDS PROGRAM. A SUB-FILE, BS
89-43A, FOR NEWSPAPER CLIPPINGS, WAS ALSO DESTROYED.

BS 175-112 - ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY,
NOVEMBER 22, 1963, DALLAS, TEXAS.

THIS FILE CONSISTS OF ONE SECTION OF 21 SERIALS, BEGINNING

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(4) BS 44-337 - JACK LEO RUBY, AKA; LEE HARVEY OSWALD,
AKA - VICTIM. CR.

THIS FILE WAS DESTROYED IN 1976, UNDER THE DESTRUCTION OF
FILES AND RECORDS PROGRAM.

(5) BS 62-4459 - PRESIDENT'S COMMISSION ON THE ASSASSINATION
OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY (WARREN COMMISSION).

THIS FILE CONSISTS OF ONE SECTION OF 7 SERIALS, INITIATED
SEPTEMBER 28, 1964, AND INCLUDES CORRESPONDENCE CONCERNING THE
PUBLICATION OF THE REPORT OF THE WARREN COMMISSION. NO OTHER
PERTINENT MATERIAL IS INCLUDED THEREIN AND NOTHING HAS BEEN
DESTROYED.

NO MATERIAL RELATIVE TO THE MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
ASSASSINATION (MURKIN) HAS BEEN DESTROYED IN THE BOSTON DIVISION.
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ATTN: GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION, CIVIL RIGHTS SECTION,
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REFERENCE BUREAU TELETYPE, JANUARY 6, 1977.

PURSUANT TO INSTRUCTIONS CONTAINED IN REFERENCED BUREAU
TELETYPE, THE FOLLOWING IS AN INVENTORY OF MATERIALS AVAILABLE
IN THE NEW YORK OFFICE (NYO) REGARDING THE CASES SET FORTH IN
REFERENCED BUREAU TELETYPE:

A) 1) "LEE HARVEY OSWALD, AKA, IS-R-CUBA." NY FILE
105-38431, BUFILE 105-82555.

2) THIS FILE CONTAINS CORRESPONDENCE BETWEEN THE NYO, THE
BUREAU AND OTHER OFFICES REFLECTING BACKGROUND INVESTIGATION ON
OSWALD, AS WELL AS COVERAGE FROM LEADS RECEIVED FROM COMPLAINANT
AND THE WARREN COMMISSION CONCERNING OSWALD'S PARTICIPATION IN
THE ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN KENNEDY.

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E. "JACK L. RUBY AKA, LEE HARVEY OSWALD AKA, VICTIM, CIVIL RIGHTS." NYFILE 44-974, BUFILE 44-24016. THIS FILE CONSISTS OF INTERVIEWS WITH FORMER ACQUAINTANCES, BUSINESS CONTACTS AND FRIENDS OF RUBY IN CONNECTION WITH HIS SHOOTING OF LEE HARVEY OSWALD. IN ADDITION, INTERVIEWS OF NEWS CORRESPONDENTS IN NYC WHO WERE PRESENT AT THE SHOOTING ARE IN THIS FILE, AS WELL AS MISCELLANEOUS BACKGROUND INFORMATION ON RUBY. NO TAPES, ELECTRONIC SURVEILLANCES OR BULKY EXHIBITS OR TRANSCRIPTS APPEAR IN THIS FILE. HOWEVER, THERE ARE MISCELLANEOUS EXHIBITS OF PHOTOS, LISTS ETC. WHICH APPEAR IN THE 1-A OF THIS FILE. IN ADDITION, THERE IS A SUB FILE A, WHICH CONTAINS FOUR VOLUMES OF UNSERIALIZED NEWSPAPER CLIPPINGS. THIS FILE CONSISTS OF 10 VOLUMES, 533 SERIALS PLUS THE FOUR VOLUMES OF UNSERIALIZED NEWSPAPER CLIPPINGS.

F. A REVIEW OF THE NY FILES RELATIVE TO MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. ASSASSINATION (MURKIN), NYFILE 44-1609, BUFILE 100-106670 FAILED TO INDICATE ANY RECORD OF DESTROYED MATERIAL CAUSED THROUGH THE DESTRUCTION OF FILES AND RECORDS PROGRAM OF THE BUREAU. IN ADDITION, THERE WAS NO INDICATION OF ANY DESTRUCTION OF FILES IN CONNECTION WITH THE ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY, IN COMPLIANCE WITH PREVIOUS INSTRUCTIONS CONCERNING DESTRUCTION OF

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A REVIEW OF OTTAWA INDICES FAILED TO DISCLOSE MAIN FILE ON ANY OF
THE FILES 1 THROUGH 5, WHICH WERE ENUMERATED IN RECAS.

ONE REFERENCE TO LAA HARVEY OSWALD WAS NOTED IN OTTAWA FILE
105-5472, CAPTIONED "REVIEW OF WARREN COMMISSION DOCUMENTS CURRENTLY
BEING HELD BY THE NATIONAL ARCHIVES, IS-R." BUFILE IS NOT KNOWN
BUT UNDER THAT CAPTION AND ON JANUARY 16, 1976, FBIHQ FORWARDED TO
OTTAWA A COPY OF OTTAWA LETTER TO BUREAU DATED MARCH 26, 1964, AND
CAPTIONED "LEE HARVEY OSWALD, IS-R-CUBA", OTTAWA FILE 163-364.
THIS FILE HAD BEEN DESTROYED PER FOREIGN MANUAL OF OPERATIONS AND,
SOME YEARS PRIOR. THIS INFO BEING FURNISHED FBIHQ TO SHOW THAT
AT ONE TIME A FILE HAD BEEN OPENED.

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IN RESPONSE TO THE ABOVE IT IS BELIEVED THAT THERE MAY HAVE BEEN CASE FILES OPENED AND INVESTIGATION INITIATED CONCERNING THE ABOVE FIVE TITLES BUT ALL HAVE BEEN DESTROYED PER THE RECORD DESTRUCTION PROGRAM PRIOR TO A CESSATION OF THOSE PROGRAMS SOME TIME AGO. IN RELATION TO MATTER ENTITLED "MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., BUFILE 100-106670, OTTAWA FILE 44-4, LEGAT OTTAWA IS AWARE THAT CONSIDERABLE INVESTIGATION WAS CONDUCTED BY RCMP IN THAT MATTER AND SUBSEQUENTLY DESTROYED PER EXISTING REGULATIONS.

IN REGARD TO THE MATTERS COMING WITHIN THE JURISDICTION OF CAPTIONED COMMITTEE, IT MUST BE NOTED THAT NO DISSEMINATION OF INFORMATION OBTAINED FROM RCMP IS TO BE MADE OUTSIDE THE FBI WITHOUT PRIOR SPECIFIC APPROVAL OF THE RCMP. THIS POLICY IS CONTAINED IN OTTAWA LETTER TO DIRECTOR JANUARY 28, 1976, IN MATTER CAPTIONED "REVIEW OF WARREN COMMISSION DOCUMENTS CURRENTLY BEING HELD BY THE NATIONAL ARCHIVES, IS-R."

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