

Assistant Attorney General
Criminal Division
Attention: Mr. Robert L. Keuch
Director, FBI

November 2, 1978

- 1 - Mr. Mintz
Attn: Mr. Heller
- 1 - Mr. Bassett
- 1 - Mr. Foster

HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS
U. S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES (HSCA)

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

Reference is made to the letter to the Attorney General from G. Robert Blakey, Chief Counsel and Director, HSCA, dated October 17, 1978, which requested certain information from the FBI concerning the assassinations of President John F. Kennedy and Martin Luther King, Jr.

Enclosed are an original and one copy of a memorandum in response to referenced letter. It is requested that you furnish a copy of the enclosed memorandum to the HSCA.

Enclosures (2) ENCLOSURE

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NOTE: Mr. Keuch was contacted on 10/30/78 by SA Ron Heller, Legal Liaison and Congressional Affairs Unit, Legal Counsel Division.

[REDACTED] HSCA

In response to this request, we made available the FBI Headquarters file of [REDACTED] with identity excised. The Kansas City file on this individual, however, was destroyed and the HSCA was advised to this effect, thus resulting in its request of 10/17/78. Information from Kansas City was provided in teletype dated 10/23/78. (b)(7)(D)

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Paragraph 1 of referenced letter requested [REDACTED]

HSCA

On October 30, 1978, Mr. Robert L. Keuch, Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, Department of Justice (DOJ), advised a representative of the FBI that the DOJ would handle response to this portion of the referenced HSCA request.

Paragraph 2 of referenced letter requested [REDACTED]

HSCA

On October 23, 1978, the Kansas City Office of the FBI advised that Kansas City file [REDACTED] was destroyed on January 7, 1978, since it was a criminal file and had been closed for more than five years. Destruction of this file was in compliance with mandated file destruction procedures outlined in FBI Headquarters letter to Albany dated October 28, 1977, captioned "Destruction of Field Files and Records." This letter advised all field offices that the National Archives and Records Services and the DOJ had granted approval for the FBI to reduce the retention period from ten years to five years for closed criminal files maintained in field offices. Special Agent in Charge, Bill D. Williams, now assigned to the Miami Field Office of the FBI, was the Kansas City official responsible for assuring that mandated file destruction was carried out consistent with existing instructions.

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ORIGINAL AND ONE SENT TO THE ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL, CRIMINAL DIVISION, ATTENTION: MR. ROBERT L. KEUCH.

NOTE: See Director, FBI, letter to the Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, Attention: Mr. Robert L. Keuch, dated November 2, 1978, captioned as above.

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TO : Assistant Director
Administrative Services Division

DATE: 11/14/78

FROM : Legal Counsel

SUBJECT: HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS (HSCA)

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this memorandum is to advise of the requests made by captioned Committee that [redacted] (SA, Atlanta Office) and Hobson H. Adcock (former SA) be released from their employment agreement in order that they may be interviewed by captioned Committee in connection with the FBI's investigation into the death of Dr. Martin Luther King and the assassination of President John F. Kennedy.

DETAILS:

By letter dated 11/3/78 (copy attached), and letter dated 11/6/78 (copy attached), G. Robert Blakey, Chief Counsel and Director of captioned Committee, requested that [redacted] (SA, Atlanta Office) be made available for interview concerning their investigation into the death of Dr. Martin Luther King, and Hobson H. Adcock (former SA) to be interviewed concerning their investigation into the assassination of President John F. Kennedy.

The above former and present employees, prior to being interviewed by the Committee Staff, will be contacted by a representative of the Legal Counsel Division who will advise them of their release from their employment agreement and will provide them with a briefing as to the scope and limitations of the interview.

Enclosures (2) ENCLOSEURE

- 1 - Mr. Bassett (Attn: Mr. Foster)
- 1 - Mr. Mintz
- 1 - Personnel file of [redacted]
- 1 - Personnel file of Hobson H. Adcock
- 2 - Mr. Coulson
- 1 - Mr. Heller

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- 1 - Mr. Adams
- 1 - Mr. McDermott
- 1 - Mr. Bassett
- 1 - Mr. Mintz
- Attn: Mr. Coulson
- 1 - Mr. Ryan

December 6, 1978

- 1 - Mr. Foster
- 1 - Mr. Aldhizer

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

Honorable Louis Stokes
 Chairman
 Select Committee on Assassinations
 U.S. House of Representatives
 Washington, D. C. 20515

Dear Mr. Chairman:

Enclosed please find a copy of an FBI document [redacted] regarding an individual named [redacted] as well as one copy each of three related items of correspondence. The documents were furnished to this Bureau via the United States Department of Justice by [redacted] indicated that he received the document from [redacted]

The document further identified as coming from [redacted] was furnished to your Committee in response to a Committee request dated January 26, 1978. This document, which by its very nature is extremely sensitive, was provided to the Committee in order that the Committee might have available to it all retrievable material regarding [redacted]

In view of the provisions of the Memorandum of Understanding between the Attorney General and the House Select Committee on Assassinations, specifically Item VII regarding Disclosure of Information, and assuming the above is an accurate portrayal of the sequence of events, it is particularly disturbing to this Bureau that a document of this nature entered the public domain in such a manner.

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Honorable Louis Stokes

The FBI has provided the Committee voluminous pages of sensitive and classified material and has maintained a policy of continued cooperation and full disclosure. Therefore, the Committee is requested to insure that such documents are afforded the proper and necessary security. Additionally, if the Committee intends to disclose or utilize material from sensitive or classified FBI documents during the course of public hearings or in its final public report, the spirit as well as the tenets of our Memorandum of Understanding should be adhered to.

Sincerely yours,

William H. Webster
Director

Enclosures (4)

1 - Mr. Robert Keuch (Enclosures)
Deputy Assistant Attorney General
Criminal Division

Honorable Louis Stokes

Note: By request dated 1/26/78, the HSCA was provided all retrievable information regarding [redacted]

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[redacted] provided a signed waiver authorizing release of his files. The release included the enclosed document in its relatively unsanitized version. This document is not known to have been released to the public domain through FOIA or any other litigation proceedings. The document and related correspondence were subsequently provided to Mr. Quinlan Shea, Jr., Director, Office of Privacy and Appeals, Department of Justice, by [redacted]

[redacted] It is noted that the three items of related correspondence provided by [redacted] represent correspondence between [redacted] and G. Robert Blakey, Chief Counsel, HSCA, relating to [redacted]

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Mr. Shea provided the documents to the Congressional Inquiry Unit, Records Management Division, for appropriate action. This letter to the Honorable Louis Stokes, Chairman of HSCA, satisfies same. The Xeroxing of all items are the best available copies.

Item VII of the Memorandum of Understanding requires that the HSCA notify the Attorney General of its intention to disclose information which may tend to identify FBI informants, potential informants or confidential sources. The document in question is sensitive [redacted]

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. Bassett

FROM : D. Ryan *R/OTP*

SUBJECT: HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS (HSCA)

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

- 1 - Mr. Adams
- 1 - Mr. McDermott
- 1 - Mr. Bassett
- DATE: 1/5/79
- 1 - Mr. Mintz
- Attn: Mr. Coulson
- 1 - Mr. Ryan
- 1 - Mr. Foster

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PURPOSE: To furnish status of the issue involving release by the HSCA of an FBI document to an outside party, as addressed in correspondence to HSCA Chairman, Louis V. Stokes, on 12/6/78 and responded to by HSCA Chief Counsel and Director, G. Robert Blakey, on 12/13/78, and to recommend attached letter be sent to Mr. Blakey requesting he identify any other FBI documents furnished by this Bureau to the HSCA which may have been similarly released.

DETAILS: By letter dated 12/6/78 (copy attached with enclosures), HSCA Chairman Louis V. Stokes was furnished a copy of an FBI document [REDACTED]

This [REDACTED] along with three related items of correspondence, was furnished to the FBI via the Department of Justice (DOJ) by [REDACTED] received the document from [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] was furnished the HSCA in response to the Committee's request dated 1/26/78 for all retrievable information concerning [REDACTED]. Our letter to Mr. Stokes expressed concern that a document of this nature entered the public domain in such a manner and requested that the HSCA, in compliance with the Memorandum of Understanding, afford proper and necessary security to our documents during the course of future public hearings and the HSCA final report.

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Legal Counsel to Director
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Memorandum from D. Ryan to Mr. Bassett
Re: House Select Committee on Assassinations (HSCA)
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In his letter of 12/13/78, Mr. Blakey, writing on behalf of Chairman Stokes, explained that since [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Mr. Blakey expressed regret that this instance caused any concern and assured the Director that the HSCA would continue to afford FBI material all measures of confidentiality in compliance with the Memorandum of Understanding.

Upon receipt of Mr. Blakey's letter, the Director attached a routing slip, noting "Are you satisfied with this response? Anything further required?"

Mr. Blakey is correct that the [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] further, at the time of our release of material concerning [REDACTED] the HSCA was not given authorization to release any document from FBI files to [REDACTED] Mr. Blakey should be advised to this effect to correct his understanding [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] If [REDACTED] desires FBI information concerning himself, he should request same under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) and not from the HSCA. In this instance, according to SA John Howard, FOIPA Branch, Records Management Division, [REDACTED] would have been provided under the FOIA.

Although Mr. Blakey's letter assures that our documents will be afforded full security in the future, it is believed a letter should be directed to him correcting his

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Memorandum from D. Ryan to Mr. Bassett
Re: House Select Committee on Assassinations
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understanding as authorized above and requesting that any other FBI documents which may have been similarly provided to outside parties be identified, along with the identities of the recipients.

RECOMMENDATION: That the attached letter be approved for forwarding to Mr. Blakey.

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OFFICE OF DIRECTOR, FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
TO
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- Mr. Adams _____ ()
- Mr. McDermott _____ ()
- Mr. Bassett _____ ()
- Mr. Cochran _____ ()
- Mr. Colwell _____ ()
- Mr. Cregar _____ ()
- Mr. Joseph _____ ()
- Mr. Kelleher _____ ()
- Mr. Kent _____ ()
- Mr. Long _____ ()
- Mr. Mintz _____ ()
- Mr. Moore _____ ()
- Mr. Beynton _____ ()
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- Mr. Hetis _____ ()
- Mr. News _____ ()
- Mr. Steel _____ ()
- Tele. Room _____ ()
- Miss Devine _____ ()

- See Me _____ ()
- Note and return _____ ()
- Prepare reply and return for my signature _____ ()
- Prepare reply over my signature and send _____ ()
- Respond over your signature _____ ()
- Prepare memo for the Department _____ ()
- For your recommendation _____ ()
- What are the facts? _____ ()
- Hold _____ ()

Remarks: Are you satisfied with
this response?
Anything further required?

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Memo to Director 1/19/79

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1 - Mr. McDermott
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1 - Mr. Mintz
Attn: Mr. Coulson
1 - Mr. Ryan
December 6, 1978

1 - Mr. Foster
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Honorable Louis Stokes
Chairman
Select Committee on Assassinations
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D. C. 20515

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TO : The Director

DATE: 1/9/79

FROM : Legal Counsel *JW*

SUBJECT: HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS
95TH CONGRESS

The purpose of this memorandum is to advise of receipt of a "Summary of Findings and Recommendations" of captioned Committee.

DETAILS:

On January 3, 1979, G. Robert Blakey, Chief Counsel, captioned Committee, caused to be delivered to the Legal Liaison and Congressional Affairs Unit, a "Summary of Findings and Recommendations" of captioned Committee. These findings were transmitted to the Clerk of the House by captioned Committee on December 29, 1978, (copy attached).

It is anticipated that the FBI and the Department of Justice will receive, from the Committee at an early date, an official draft of the final report of captioned Committee for comment.

It is requested that receiving Divisions review the "Summary of Findings and Recommendations," inasmuch as the FBI may be called upon by the Department, and House Judiciary Committee to comment on these recommendations in the near future.

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None. For information.

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II. Findings of The Select Committee on Assassinations in the Assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. in Memphis, Tenn., April 4, 1968.

A. James Earl Ray fired one shot at Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. The shot killed Dr. King.

- 1. Dr. King was killed by one rifle shot fired from in front of him.**
- 2. The shot that killed Dr. King was fired from the bathroom window at the rear of a rooming house at 422 1/2 South Main Street, Memphis, Tenn.**
- 3. James Earl Ray purchased the rifle that was used to shoot Dr. King and transported it from Birmingham, Ala. to Memphis, Tenn., where he rented a room at 422 1/2 South Main Street, and moments after the assassination, he dropped it near 424 South Main Street.**
- 4. It is highly probable that James Earl Ray stalked Dr. King for a period immediately preceding the assassination.**
- 5. James Earl Ray fled the scene of the crime immediately after**

- B. The Committee believes, on the basis of the circumstantial evidence available to it, that there is a likelihood that James Earl Ray assassinated Dr. Martin Luther King as a result of a conspiracy.
- C. The Committee believes, on the basis of the evidence available to it, that no private organizations or individuals, other than those discussed under Section B, were involved in the assassination of Dr. King.
- D. No federal, state or local government agency was involved in the assassination of Dr. King.
- E. The Department of Justice and the Federal Bureau of Investigation performed with varying degrees of competency and legality in the fulfillment of their duties.
 - 1. The Department of Justice failed to supervise adequately the Domestic Intelligence Division of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. In addition, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, in the Domestic Intelligence Division's COINTELPRO campaign against Dr. King, grossly abused and exceeded its legal authority and failed

ENCLOSURE 5

6/8/79 Memorandum, captioned "House Select Committee on Assassinations."
From: D. Ryan U. S. House of Representatives (HSCA)
To: Mr. Bailey

Re: Review of House Select Committee on Assassinations Final Report

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TO: SA Drew J. Clark
Records Management Division

6/14/79

RE: SCIENTIFIC REPORT ON THE SUBJECT OF ANALYSIS OF FINGERPRINT EVIDENCE RELATED TO THE ASSASSINATION OF DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., BY THE FINGERPRINT PANEL, Ray H. Holbrook, and Darrell D. Linville, Fingerprint Specialists, Metropolitan Police Department, Washington, D. C.

Reference is made to page 117 of said report, sub (33) beginning "The panel concluded that James Earl Ray..." third sentence reads "In addition, the panel determined that the previously unidentified photograph 115, developed from a coupon from Eric S. Galt to Modern Photo Bookstore, bears an impression made by the left thumb of James Earl Ray."

Information contained in this sentence is misleading and incorrect. In light of LFPS report dated May 10, 1968, to SAC, New York, captioned "Murkin" it sets forth the following:

"The latent print developed on the Modern Photo Bookstore coupon, which bears the name and address 'Eric S. Galt, 2608 Highland Avenue, Birmingham, Alabama, Q326, is identical with the left thumbprint of James Earl Ray."

Enclosure

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LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION

FBI # 405-942-6

YOUR FILE NO. **44-1609**
FBI FILE NO. **44-33301**
LATENT CASE NO. **91075**

May 10, 1968

TO: **SAC, New York**

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RE: **MURKIN**

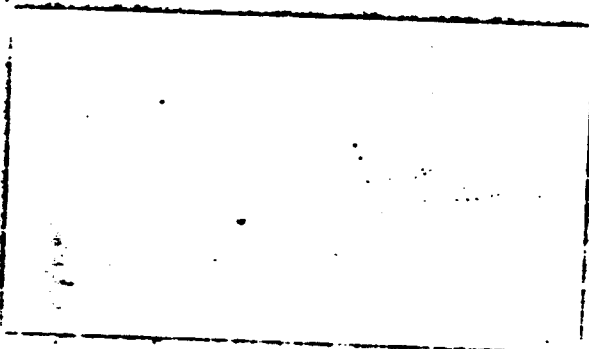
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REFERENCE: **Airtel 5-4-68**
EXAMINATION REQUESTED BY: **New York**
SPECIMENS: **One coupon for Modern Photo Bookstore, Q326
Letter dated 9-23-67, Q327**

This report confirms and supplements Bureau airtel 5-8-68.

One latent fingerprint of value was developed on the coupon. No latent impressions of value developed on the letter. See the attached page for the result of comparison conducted. Result of laboratory examination and disposition of specimens separate.

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J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover, Director

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FBI File No. 44-38861
Latent Case No. 91075

May 10, 1968

RE: JAMES EARL RAY, FBI #405942G

The latent print developed on the Modern Photo Bookstore coupon, which bears the name and address "Eric S. Galt, 2603 Highland Avenue, Birmingham, Alabama," Q326, is identical with the left thumbprint of James Earl Ray.

The coupon is being returned under separate cover.

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TO	BLDG.	ROOM	NAME/TITLE/ORGANIZATION	TO	BLDG.	ROOM	NAME/TITLE/ORGANIZATION
TeleUnit	#214	7162	Director	TeleUnit	#245	7427	Mr. Farrington
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	#245	7437	Legal Counsel Division				Ms.
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					#242	4437	Reading Room
	#245	7222	Public Affairs Office		#244	6247	Teletype Room
					#111	4336C	Routine Unit
	#214	7162	Mr. Brummer		#153	1262	Voucher Unit
	#214	7162	Miss Devine				
	#314	6995	Mr. Brown				
	#243	5434	Mr. Kurz				
	#243	5446	Mr. Vornberger				
	#244	6212	Mr. Zolte				

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RECOMMENDATION/COMMENT LOG NECESSARY ACTION
 SEE REMARKS ON REVERSE FILE COORDINATE
 MAKE COPIES (NO.) SEE ME PER INQUIRY
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FROM LEGAL COUNSEL [signature] BLDG. JEH ROOM
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LCD reviewed the following areas
in HSCA's Final Report:

NATURE & SCOPE
COINTELPRO-MLK
RECOMMENDATIONS & FINDINGS
GUILTY PLEA IN MLK.

LCD has found ^{possible} no objections according
to the MOU with HSCA and
therefore is submitting no LTR.

However, LCD, on p. 240 ~~xxx~~
VII PATS "(MLK)" ^{objects to HSCA} making the
statement in discussing FBI COINTELPRO
that "this conduct" contributed
"to the hostile climate that surrounded
Dr. KING, it was morally reprehensible,
illegal, felonious and unconstitutional."
LCD objects to this wording and would
like HSCA to point to sufficient
evidence to warrant such language.

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TO : Mr. Mullen

DATE: 9/7/79

FROM : J. C. Lawn

SUBJECT: HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE
ON ASSASSINATIONS
FINAL REPORT

PURPOSE: To advise of results of meeting between the Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, and Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Civil Rights Division, Department of Justice, and representatives of the Criminal Investigative Division, relating to the final report of the House Select Committee on Assassinations (HSCA) in which HSCA recommended that the Department of Justice initiate further investigation. FBI recommended at this meeting that any further analysis of scientific data gathered by HSCA be handled independent of the FBI since HSCA findings included alleged FBI deficiencies in investigating the possibility of a conspiracy in the assassination of John F. Kennedy.

RECOMMENDATION: None. For information.

APPROVED: *WAW*

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- 1 - Mr. Steel
- 1 - Mr. Colwell
- 1 - Mr. Bayse
(Attn: Mr. Killian)
- 1 - Mr. Mintz
(Attn: Mr. Moschella)

- 1 - Mr. Herndon
(Attn: Mr. Richards)
- 1 - Mr. Mullen
- 1 - Mr. Ingram
- 1 - Mr. Gow
- 1 - Mr. Dennis
- 1 - Mr. Lawn



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Memorandum to Mr. Mullen from J. C. Lawn
RE: HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS

Mr. Turner advised that the Civil Rights Division, based upon its review of the HSCA findings, will recommend to the Attorney General in writing that no further investigation is warranted into the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Mr. Keuch stated that further analysis of certain scientific data should be conducted as recommended in the HSCA final report.

Specifically, Mr. Keuch questioned whether the FBI Laboratory could subject the Bronson film to computer analysis and whether the photograph taken by Mary Moorman could be analyzed for further study.

(The Charles L. Bronson film depicted the Texas School Book Depository several minutes before the assassination of John F. Kennedy, including the 6th floor window from which the fatal shot was fired.

The Mary Moorman photograph, a Polaroid, depicted the grassy knoll area and was taken at the time the fatal shot was fired. This photograph was deemed by HSCA photographic experts as being of limited usefulness because of its poor quality and deterioration over the years.)

Mr. Keuch was advised that such photographic analysis involving computer analysis and enhancement could not be conducted within the FBI Laboratory, but would have to be handled by outside contract.

Mr. Keuch indicated that he planned to request in writing that the Technical Services Division review the scientific acoustical evidence which HSCA believed would support their findings of "... a high probability that 2 gunmen fired at President John F. Kennedy." Mr. Keuch stated that after reviewing this material, he desired the FBI furnish recommendations as to whether there exists sufficient data to warrant further scientific testing as recommended by HSCA.

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TO : Mr. Bailey *wrf*

DATE: 10/3/79

FROM : D. J. Clark *djc*

SUBJECT: HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS
U. S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES (HSCA)
PARTIAL REVIEW OF PUBLISHED REPORT, HEARINGS
AND APPENDICES

Classified by *103 dcl/fcl*
 Declassify on: OADR *7/7/83*
 HSCOA #211,326

REFERENCES:

(1) Legal Counsel to Director memo of 9/18/79 captioned "Hearings and Final Report, Select Committee on Assassinations, U. S. House of Representatives, 95th Congress."

(2) D. Ryan to Mr. Bailey memo of 6/20/79 captioned "House Select Committee on Assassinations, U. S. House of Representatives (HSCA)." *62-117290-1439*

PURPOSE:

To record the results of a partial review of HSCA published material "to determine the accuracy of corrections to materials previously submitted to FBIHQ by the HSCA."

SYNOPSIS:

On 6/12/79 the FBI received approximately 4,463 pages of material which the HSCA intended to disclose (publish). The material was furnished in accordance with the 10/5/77 Memorandum of Understanding (MU) between the Department of Justice (DOJ) and the Committee. The material was reviewed by the FBI in order to identify items of information, the categories of which might constitute permissible objections to disclosure of same under the MU. On 6/15/79 the objectionable items of information were discussed with former HSCA Chief Counsel G. Robert Blakey, who agreed to make certain modifications or corrections to resolve the objections. He declined to do so in two instances wherein

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- 1 - Mr. Steel
- 1 - Mr. Boynton
- 1 - Mr. Bailey

- 1 - Mr. Mintz
- 2 - Mr. Mullen
(1 - Mr. Lawn; 1 - Mr. Gow)
- 1 - Mr. Moschella

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Memorandum D. J. Clark to Mr. Bailey
Re: House Select Committee on Assassinations

FBI Objection: The specificity of the information tended to compromise FBI sources.

Published Language: Page 589, supra, now states "...The FBI learned that the July 26 Movement was planning a raid on Cuba from Texas. In connection with this raid, armaments shipments were sent to McKeown. (1704)..."

Note: The substantive objection is removed by the published language which sets forth the identical wording recommended by the FBI.

RE ASSASSINATION OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. (MLK)

ITEM (1):

[REDACTED] (b)(1)
[REDACTED] ..." (c)
[REDACTED] (c)
[REDACTED] (b)

Published Language: "...the committee was able only to review the files of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP), which were attained by committee subpoena from local authorities..." (Report, page 328, paragraph 4)

Note: The objection is removed by the published language.

ITEM (2):

Original Language: "...In a conversation with [REDACTED], Jerry's response to a general question concerning his brother's involvement in the assassination was:..." (b)(7)(c)

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FBI Objection: Such specificity regarding the source of the information tends to identify or compromise the source.

Published Language: "...In a conversation with an acquaintance, Jerry's general response to a question concerning his brother's involvement in the assassination was:..." (Report, page 332, paragraph 6)

Note: The substantive objection is removed by the published language which sets forth the wording recommended by the FBI.

ITEM (3):

Original Language: 

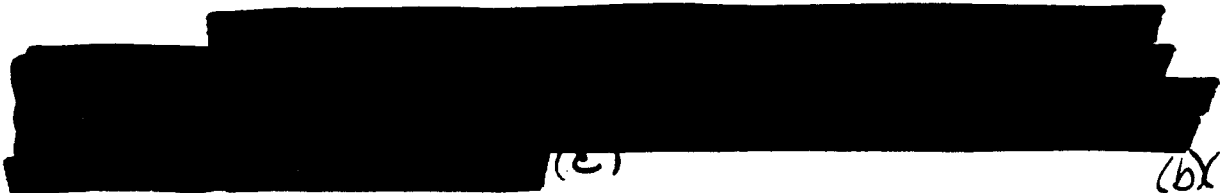

(b)(7)(D)

FBI Objection: Such language tended to compromise FBI sources.

Published Language: "...The informants were either unavailable or uncooperative. (26)..." (Report, page 378, paragraph 3)

Note: The substantive objection is removed by the published language which was recommended by the FBI.

ITEM (4):



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(b)(1)

FBI Objection: Such language tended to compromise FBI sources.

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Published Language: "...Shelton advised that in August 1968 the defense was in need of money for Ray's defense. Shelton inquiry whether Klan members would be willing to donate money for Ray's defense..." (Report, page 379, paragraph 6)

Note: The substantive objection is removed by the published language.

ITEM (5):

[REDACTED]

FBI Objection: Such language tended to compromise FBI sources. (b)(1) c

Published Language: "...Shelton added that he intended to review the jury list in Ray's case when it was available. (36) ...Source B learned that a UKA board meeting was held in 1969, and attended by Hanes and Melvin Sexton, the UKA secretary who handled Klan finances, among others..." (Report, page 379, paragraphs 6 and 7)

Note: The substantive objection is removed by the published language.

ITEM (6):

Original Language: "...in Miami Magazine in October, 1966..."

FBI Objection: The 1966 date is in error and should be 1976.

Published Language: "...in Miami Magazine Somersett..." (Report, page 402, paragraph 5)

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Note: The published language omits the erroneous date thereby removing the objection.

ITEM (7):

Original Language: "...The committee identified the FBI informant in SCLC without the assistance of the FBI. He acknowledged his former informant status in a committee interview in which he was asked about the nature of his relationship with the Bureau..."

FBI Objection: Such language tended to give rise to the inference that the HSCA learned of the informant's identity through a review of FBI files.

Published Language: "...The committee learned of the identity of the SCLC informant when he acknowledged his former status in a committee interview; he was also asked about the nature of his relationship with the Bureau;..." (Report, footnote 4, page 410)

Note: The objection is removed by the published language.

ITEM (8):

Original Language: "...While the evidence was insufficient to link COINTELPRO to the assassination, the committee obtained ample evidence to warrant strong condemnation of FBI efforts that were directed against Dr. King and SCLC for the risk they created for Dr. King. The editorial writers at the Globe-Democrat were exercising first amendment freedoms, so their conduct was constitutionally privileged. There was, however, no similar privilege covering the conduct of the FBI. Not only did this conduct contribute to the hostile climate that surrounded Dr. King, it was morally reprehensible, illegal, felonious, and unconstitutional. There is no place in a free society for such governmental conduct. It deserves the strongest condemnation..."

FBI Objection: The HSCA failed to provide sufficient evidence in its report to warrant such language.

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Published Language: Remains the same as above (Report, page 441, paragraph 3).

Note: Mr. Blakey declined to modify this statement of HSCA opinion when the issue was raised with him on 6/15/79. It should also be noted that this objection cannot be construed as a permissible objection under the MU.

ITEM (9):

[REDACTED] (b)(1)
[REDACTED] (c)

[REDACTED] (c) (b)(1)

Published Language: "...Washington requested Canadian authorities to review Canadian passports records. (127)..." (Report, page 449, paragraph 1)

Note: The objection is removed by the published language.

ITEM (10):

Original Language: "...In addition, the panel determined that the previously unidentified photograph 115, developed from a coupon from Eric S. Galt to Modern Photo Bookstore, bears an impression made by the left thumb of James Earl Ray..."

FBI Objection: The above language is incorrect since the FBI originally identified photograph 115 as an impression of Ray's left thumb and, therefore, the HSCA only confirmed this identification.

Published Version (MLK Appendix, Volume XIII): (1) On page 116, under photograph 115, the Q number of 326 is added in parenthesis following "Bookstore"; (2) on page 117, information concerning the identification of photograph 115 is listed in the correct order under paragraph 32; (3) the sentence in the last paragraph on page 117, paragraph 33, beginning with "in addition," is deleted.

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Note: The objection is removed by the published version.

ITEM (11):

[REDACTED] (c) (b)(1)
[REDACTED] (c) (b)(1)

Published Version: The objectionable sentence is deleted. (MLK Appendix XIII, page 127)

Note: The objection is removed by the deletion of the objectionable sentence in the published version.

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