

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Memorandum

TO : Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

DATE: Feb. 9

- Mr. Tolson
- Mr. DeLoach
- Mr. Walters
- Mr. Mohr
- Mr. Bishop
- Mr. Casper
- Mr. Callahan
- Mr. Conrad
- Mr. Felt
- Mr. Gale
- Mr. Rosen
- Mr. Sullivan
- Mr. Tavel
- Mr. Soyars
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- Miss Holmes
- Miss Gandy

FROM : *JP* Jerris Leonard
Assistant Attorney General
Civil Rights Division

SUBJECT: Your Memorandum, January 21, 1970
Assassination of Martin Luther King, Jr.

ATA Jones

Please excuse my tardiness in not sooner responding to the above memorandum. Unfortunately it did not come to my attention until just a few days ago. My initial reaction to the request is an affirmative one, however I believe this Division needs to give careful consideration to the possible ramifications of such action.

I shall ask some of my associates to consider the matter and after discussion here we will advise you, hopefully no later than February 16th.

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