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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. HOOVER,
DIRECTOR, FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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Reference is made to your memorandum of February 17, 1940, transmitting twelve large envelopes turned over to Special Agents by Harold Weisberg, who stated that these documents constituted the files of David D. Payne, in which you requested to be advised what, if any, action should be taken by the Bureau in the premises.

The envelopes in question are herewith returned, together with a memorandum prepared by Mr. James E. Ruffin, Special Assistant to the Attorney General in this Division, showing the result of his examination of the documents in question. Inasmuch as Mr. Ruffin has reached the conclusion that no Federal criminal statute seems to have been violated no further action is believed warranted.

As I understand it, the United States Attorney at Washington, D. C. has some phases of this matter before him and it may be that the enclosed documents would be of some assistance to him. It is, therefore, suggested that it might be advisable to have the agents who received these documents bring the same to the attention of the United States Attorney.

Respectfully,

O. JOHN ROGUE,
Assistant Attorney General.

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