

Davis, Morris

Symbol informants, disclosed

Morris Davis (EH 1079 PCI, file HM 137-2089)

Cointelproing the House assassins committee and OPR and CRD

Before the FBI turned its former PCI over to the House Committee it was certain that all of his information was bad and came from public sources on which he embellished.

To make certain that he would not be missed it added his symbol by hand after obliterating it. (44-38861-~~2000~~ 6168, pg 1 graf 3).

In disclosing him the FBI also knew he was a current and productive informant of DEA and Secret Service: "DEA advised on 12/14/76 that his narcotics information is accurate and reliable and both agencies have pending investigations in which he is furnishing worthwhile information on a continuing basis."

Memphis spotted him as a phoney immediately, as Birmingham should have: "It is obvious" that he "has done some research on the murder of Dr. King ... numerous books... Memphis will research the King case and will attempt to discover information to either prove or disprove allegations made by this source." (44-38861-6170)

Nonetheless, as is set forth in my affidavits in C.A. 75-1996, the FBI turned Morris Davis, also identified by name in the records attached to these affidavits, the better for the House assassins not to miss him, over to that committee. On 12/21/76 it reported informing CRD and OPR of what it knew was fabricated information. (Both charged with internal re-investigations of the FBI's performance.)

44-38861-6168 and NR 12/21/76 to CRD list files not searched by identification.

These records leave no doubt that although the FBI knew Davis was a continuing and currently valuable source for both DEA and Secret Service yet was providing only very bad information on the King case, it disclosed his identity in order that what it knew would deceive, mislead and waste the House committee (if not also CRD and OPR) would reach it. While this did endanger Davis he did not protest until he was turned over to Mark Lane.

This and other similar cases are contrary to the FBI's representations made to withhold arbitrary, numerical representations of other informers that, while not identifying them, would permit evaluation of what they provided.