

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : Mr. DeLoach

DATE: April 5, 1968

FROM : A. Rosen

SUBJECT: MURDER OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

- 1 - Mr. DeLoach  
1 - Mr. Rosen  
1 - Mr. Malley  
1 - Mr. McGowan  
1 - Mr. Martindale  
1 - Mr. McDonough  
1 - Mr. Long  
1 - Mr. Bishop  
1 - Mr. Conrad  
1 - Mr. Sullivan

DJH ✓  
Lofman ✓  
DeLoach ✓  
Rosen ✓  
Clegg ✓  
Collahan ✓  
Conrad ✓  
Felt ✓  
Gale ✓  
Hansen ✓  
Sullivan ✓  
Tavel ✓  
Trotter ✓  
Tele. Room ✓  
Holmes ✓  
Gandy ✓

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At the request of the Department a full investigation has been instituted into the murder of Martin Luther King, Jr., at Memphis, Tennessee, on the evening of 4/4/68.

Attached is a letterhead memorandum for the President, the Attorney General, the Deputy Attorney General and the Civil Rights Division setting out the basic facts of the shooting and summarizing information presently available.

The following details do not appear in the letterhead memorandum:

The individual using the name John Willard, who is a suspect in this case, may be identical with John Huheat Willard, also known as John Hubbard Willard, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Extensive efforts are being made to immediately locate John Huheat Willard.

Although Manuel Marcus Levin and Alex J. Huder, [REDACTED] suspects arrested by the police, were released when they were vouched for by the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, we are thoroughly checking them out.

ACTION:

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1. Attached is a letterhead memorandum for the White House, the Attorney General, the Deputy Attorney General and the Civil Rights Division.

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2. All-out investigation is continuing on a top priority basis.

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