

April 19, 1965

- 1 - Mr. J.D. Donohue
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to: SAC, Atlanta (100-6570-E)

from: Director, FBI (100-442529)

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Reurairtel 4/15/65 which advised that Martin Luther King, Jr., was planning to move his residence during the week of 4/12/65 to a recently purchased home located at 234 Sunset Avenue, N.W., Atlanta, Georgia, and that he was planning to have two telephone numbers at his new residence. It was stated that it was apparent that present source at King's residence, ELSUR would be discontinued as a result of the move. Bureau authority was requested to conduct a survey on the new residence so that appropriate recommendations might follow concerning technical coverage there. You assured full security for this survey.

Bureau authority is granted for the survey provided full security is assured. Take no action relative to installation, limiting your action only to survey. Expedite so that any break in coverage may be minimized. Promptly advise Bureau of time and date of discontinuance at old residence.

Keep Bureau promptly advised of all pertinent developments.

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NOTE:

ELSUR of King, 553 Johnson Avenue, N.E., Atlanta, Georgia. It was authorized 10/15/63 and installed 11/8/63. It is noted that when we received the then Attorney General's authority for installation of this coverage, it was to be on King's residence or at any future address to which he may move. This source has, of course, been a most prolific and extremely valuable intelligence source. After receipt of the results of survey and Atlanta's recommendations, a memorandum will be prepared along with any necessary correspondence with the Attorney General.

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Memorandum

TO : W. C. Sullivan

DATE: 12/29/65

FROM : F. J. Baumgardner

- 1 - Mr. Sullivan
- 1 - J. F. Bland
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SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
INTERNAL SECURITY - COMMUNIST

INFORMANT

St. Peters Jesuit School in New Jersey recently contacted the headquarters of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference at Atlanta, Georgia, which Conference is headed by Martin Luther King, Jr. Father Wassner indicated that St. Peters wanted to give King an honorary degree on 6/6/65. King's secretary indicated to Father Wassner that King would advise at a later date whether he could accept the degree.

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It will be recalled that we previously were able to alert proper authorities at Marquette University when that institution was considering King for an honorary degree. As a result of information furnished on a highly confidential basis concerning King, Marquette did not give King an honorary degree. It may be possible that similar action on our part in the current instance will avert the action which is contemplated by St. Peters Jesuit School.

RECOMMENDATION:

If approved, we will determine from our Newark Office what its relations are with the St. Peters Jesuit School and whether there is some individual there in high authority who can be confidentially briefed concerning King. Upon approval, this memorandum should be given an honorary degree. Upon approval, this memorandum should be routed back to Assistant Director Sullivan for the necessary telephone call to the SAC, Newark, in this matter.

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SAC Bachman advised per above, He will advise what contacts are available. *QW*