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Memorandum

TO : THE FILE

DATE: 12/11/75

FROM : Jack Fuller

SUBJECT: King Investigation

Pottinger says charter of investigation is to:

(a) determine if FBI had anything to do with King assassination;

(b) what duty tricks were played by FBI on King;

(c) determine whether investigation of COINTELPRO should be investigated.

In 1950s FBI concluded Levinson was a member of the Communist Party, USA, and that he was a confidant of King. One source is still unnamed by FBI because the person is still an informant. Despite indications that the black movement was not infiltrated by the Communist Party, Hoover insisted on the threat.

There is a question whether Levinson himself is an FBI informant. FBI flatly denies Levinson is an informant. Two FBI informants are covered by an informant number ending in "T." This usually means that the informant is a wiretap or micriphone. If Levinson was an informant there are grave problems about the FBI's conduct with respect to King.

Pottinger says there is no evidence of "direct" involvement by FBI in King assassination. However there was a relentless investigation of King, perhaps politically motivated.

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3/19/81

Dear Mr. Bakridge,

Because you were counsel in the Bernard Lee case and because of your association with Dr. King I send you the enclosed copy of a Department of Justice record. The author was in the Attorney General's office. He handled negotiations with Harry Wachtel and others when the heirs sought records pertaining to Dr. King.

I have no reason to believe that Levison was an FBI informer.

If it is every of interest to you, I have more than 50,000 pages of the FBI's HQ and field office records pertaining to the non-investigation of his assassination. I am still in court in that FOIA case, after more than five years.

In 1971 I published Frame-Up on the King assassination and I plan another book on the subject, based on the records I've obtained. It was not possible for me to seek to interview you then and it isn't possible now. However, if there is anything you would like me to know, I'd welcome it, of course.

I don't know what records you did get in the Lee case. I'm familiar with the sequestering. It was but the first of many FBI stonewalls I faced in my efforts to get the political files, "security" to the FBI. I have obtained an incomplete field office inventory. After all my experiences and knowledge I'm astounded that it is actually 400 pages long. I do not know the bulk of HQ records. I cannot forecast when I'll get what, but whatever I do get will be available.

There is nothing in this inventory to indicate that Levison was anything but an FBI target, not its fink.

Sincerely,

Harold Weisberg

Mr. Harry Wachtel
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3/19/81

Dear Mr. Wachtel,

When it might have made a difference, when you might, so to speak, have been your brother's keeper, you were non-responsive.

I do not expect any response now, either.

However, I believe you should have the enclosed record.

You should remember Fuller. You dealt with him.

I do not believe any have no reason to believe that Levison was an FBI informer.

I have seen no record reflecting any reason for any such suspicion.

If I should ever come on one, and I don't expect to, I'll send it.

Sincerely,

Harold Weisberg