

Dear Bill,

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You said that the UK has one of the biggest black libraries.

As I indicated in what I then wrote, if it is interested, subject to Hood agreement it is welcome to copies or all I have on King and what relates to King. Of course I do not know that it has such an interest.

What relates includes, among other things, the FBI's headquarters and Memphis files on the strike that led to King's being there to be killed there and on the group of young Black who took the unfortunate and inappropriate name of The Invaders. (They were much less radical than this sounds.)

If UK is interested in making copies and having them, then I would suggest, again subject to Hood's agreement, that I now transfer all my King materials (which are not duplicated at the Archives or elsewhere that I know of) to Hood, where the copying could be done much more easily. And where, if a microfilming company were interested, it would be so much easier than in our basement.

I have not discussed this with anyone. I'll give Jerry two copies when I see him, one for himself and one for Charles Kuhn, the Hood librarian.

Those files would not, I believe, require any accessioning because they are government disclosures under court compulsion (C.A. 75-1776 as I now recall, in federal district court in Washington.)

This might also be true of the litigation records.

And Jerry, at my urging, went ahead with what is now printed, a fine job on The Last Crusade. He got unpublished FBI records for it under FOIA, with my FOI lawyer acting as his. Jerry got FBI Poor Peoples Campaign records as I now recall of FBIHQ and of Washington field.

The records I have are of HQ and of seven field offices, including Memphis, Atlanta, Chicago, St. Louis, Los Angeles, Birmingham and I think another. *Washington*

If your friends at UK are interested, I suggest you/ they get in touch with Jerry. I'll do whatever Hood wants.

My belief, as best a nonlawyer can have the belief, is that those records would be useful for those in the law school as well as other students.

Best,

*Harold*