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1 - Mr. C.D. DeLoach
1 - Miss Holmes

The Attorney General CONFIDENTIAL June 11, 1968

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As you were previously advised, this Bureau is greatly concerned about the delays involved regarding the requests for electronic surveillances which have been submitted to you. While we are making every feasible effort to obtain essential intelligence data in the internal security field, we cannot hope to fulfill our responsibilities in the intelligence field unless the requested investigative techniques are made available. It is absolutely essential that in critical cases full coverage be given in areas of foreign intelligence, counterespionage, domestic subversion, and insurrection. The requests which are pending are in critical cases and in view of the developments during the past several weeks, particularly concerning activities of subversive organizations, civil rights groups, and organizations affiliated with the New Left, this Bureau must have consideration of the coverage requested of you.

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I again find it necessary to bring to your attention that your delays involving requests for electronic surveillances are causing a loss of invaluable intelligence information. It is again requested that you furnish your decision as soon as possible concerning the requests which have been made.

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For your information, inasmuch as James Earl Ray has been apprehended, the request for electronic surveillances mentioned in my memorandum dated May 13, 1968, captioned "Assassination of Martin Luther King, Jr.," is hereby withdrawn. (UNCLASSIFIED)

NOTE:

See memorandum C.D. Brennan to Mr. W.C. Sullivan, same caption, dated 6/10/68, prepared by MJd:sss.

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