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

The Attorney General ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ June 11, 1968

1 - Mr. Rosen
1 - Mr. W.C. Sullivan
1 - Mr. C.D. Brennan
1 - Mr. M.J. Rozamus

Director, FBI JUNE

ELECTRONIC SURVEILLANCES

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Reference is made to my memorandum dated June 4, 1968, captioned as above, pointing out that your decisions were urgently needed concerning requests for electronic surveillances on the individuals and organizations listed in my memorandum of May 28, 1968. Subsequent to the memorandum of May 28, 1968, a request for electronic surveillance was submitted to you on May 31, 1968, concerning the National Headquarters of the Students for a Democratic Society, Chicago, Illinois. ~~(TS)~~ U

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. 38861

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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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The Attorney General [redacted]

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mentioned in my memorandum dated May 13, 1968, captioned "Assassination of Martin Luther King, Jr.," is hereby withdrawn.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 MJR:sss.

This memorandum is classified "Top Secret" since unauthorized disclosure could result in exceptionally grave damage to U.S. intelligence interests.

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