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Memorandum

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TO : Mr. Bassett *[Handwritten initials]*

DATE: 8-16-78

FROM : D. Ryan *[Handwritten initials]*

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SUBJECT: HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS
U. S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES (HSCA)

PURPOSE: To provide results of research concerning Reverend Ralph David Abernathy's statement before the HSCA's public hearings on August 14, 1978, that, to this date, the FBI has not interviewed him concerning the death of Martin Luther King, Jr.

DETAILS: Public source material reveals that Reverend Ralph David Abernathy made a statement at the public hearings of the HSCA on August 14, 1978, that to this date, the FBI has not interviewed him concerning the death of Martin Luther King, Jr.

Indices search regarding Abernathy was conducted regarding main Bureau MURKIN file 44-38861 for references other than newspaper clippings with negative results. However, a search of logical areas of the file revealed the attached serials of file 44-38861 setting forth interviews of Abernathy regarding the assassination of Dr. King: 2322 Page 48, and 5531 (attached).

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Serial 2322 indicated Abernathy was interviewed on evening of April 4, 1968, at 10:55 p.m. at the Memphis Police Department concerning the assassination of Martin Luther King, Jr., that evening. Serial 5531 concerns an interview of Abernathy on January 30, 1969, at Atlanta, Georgia, concerning his published allegation that a conspiracy existed with regard to the assassination of Dr. King. These are two interviews of Abernathy regarding the assassination retrievable in files to this date.

RECOMMENDATION: None. For information.

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