

VIA TELETYPE  
JUN 22 1968  
ENCIPHERED

Mr. Tolson	_____
Mr. DeLoach	_____
Mr. Mohr	_____
Mr. Bishop	_____
Mr. Casper	_____
Mr. Callahan	_____
Mr. Conrad	_____
Mr. Felt	_____
Mr. Gale	_____
Mr. Rosen	_____
Mr. Sullivan	_____
Mr. Tavel	_____
Mr. Trotter	_____
Tele. Room	_____
Miss Holmes	_____
Miss Gandy	_____

12PM URGENT 6-21-68 DND  
DIRECTOR AND LOS ANGELES  
MEMPHIS

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*[Signature]*

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PRESS-SCIMITAR

[REDACTED] MEMPHIS [REDACTED] NEWSPAPER AND  
CONTACT, MEMPHIS, TELEPHONICALLY ADVISED MEMPHIS OFFICE FOLLOWING  
FORMATION THIS DATE:

[REDACTED] SAID AT APPROXIMATELY ONE PM THIS DATE HE RECEIVED  
G DISTANCE TELEPHONE CALL FROM TARZANA, CALIFORNIA. CALLER IDENTIFIED  
SELF AS [REDACTED], PRIVATE INVESTIGATOR, TELEPHONE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] BEGAN  
VERSATION WITH [REDACTED] MAKING INQUIRY RE REWARDS OFFERED IN  
UTION OF KING MURDER. [REDACTED] TOLD HIM THAT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] HE HAD INFORMATION ONLY RE TWENTYFIVE THOUSAND DOLLAR OFFER  
E BY [REDACTED] PAPER. [REDACTED] ALSO SAID HE INFORMED [REDACTED]  
T THE REWARD WOULD BE PAID ONLY FOR INFORMATION LEADING TO ARREST

CONVICTION OF THE MURDERER IN INSTANT CASE. [REDACTED] REPORTEDLY THEM  
D [REDACTED] THAT HE HAD INFORMATION REGARDING THE PERSON WHO PAID  
JECT RAY IN CONNECTION WITH THE KILLING. [REDACTED] REPORTEDLY

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DESCRIBED THIS MAN AS ALMOST A BILLIONAIRE WHO OWNS BALBOA ISLAND. [REDACTED] ALSO SAID THE MONEY HAD BEEN DEPOSITED IN A SWISS BANK SO THAT SUBJECT RAY COULD PROCURE SAME AND THIS WAS WHERE RAY WAS EN ROUTE WHEN HE WAS APPREHENDED IN LONDON. [REDACTED] FURTHER DESCRIBED THIS WEALTHY MAN AS AN ARDENT JOHN BIRCHER WHO HAD KING KILLED NOT BECAUSE HE WAS A NEGRO BUT BECAUSE KING WAS A COMMUNIST.

[REDACTED] SAID THAT HE PRESSED [REDACTED] FOR MORE IDENTIFYING DATA AND [REDACTED] TOLD HIM THE MAN WHO PAID OFF RAY WAS [REDACTED] [REDACTED] SAID HE PRESSED [REDACTED] FOR MORE DATA AND [REDACTED] TOLD HIM THAT IF HE WANTED TO CONFIRM THIS INFORMATION HE SHOULD CALL AREA CODE [REDACTED] [REDACTED] IN CALIFORNIA AND ASK FOR [REDACTED] [REDACTED] WAS NOT FURTHER IDENTIFIED BY [REDACTED] BUT [REDACTED] TOLD [REDACTED] THAT [REDACTED] KNEW [REDACTED] AND SUPPOSEDLY KNEW OF [REDACTED] INVOLVEMENT IN MURDER. [REDACTED] SAID HE HAD RECEIVED THIS INFORMATION ON JUNE SIXTEEN AT APPROXIMATELY FIVE FIFTEEN A.M.

[REDACTED] SAID HE WAS, OF COURSE, IN NO POSITION TO EVALUATE THIS DATA BUT DID WANT TO PASS IT ON TO THE FBI FOR POSSIBLE USE.

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LOS ANGELES REQUESTED IDENTIFY [REDACTED] REVIEW ITS FILES,  
AND IF NO INFORMATION CONTAINED THEREIN INTERVIEW MARKS FOR ALL DATA HE  
MAY HAVE CONCERNING ALLEGATION.

LOS ANGELES ALSO SECURE IDENTIFYING DATA FROM [REDACTED] RE [REDACTED] AND  
HEREAFTER CONDUCT NECESSARY INTERVIEWS WITH HER TO CLARIFY INFORMATION.

[REDACTED] UNKNOWN TO MEMPHIS DIVISION. LOS ANGELES SHOULD  
REVIEW ITS FILES TO ASCERTAIN WHETHER OR NOT [REDACTED] FITS GENERAL DESCRIPTION  
FURNISHED BY [REDACTED] AND WHETHER OR NOT HE MIGHT BE CONSIDERED POSSIBLE  
INSPIRATOR INSTANT CASE.

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