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I have no objection to not advising Congress about Civil Right's decision in the King case. However, I do want you to remember that on March 4, 1980, the Civil Rights Division advised that no additional investigation was warranted in the King case and it may be more than a year later when we finally tell Congress of the decision to do nothing further.

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As the former Chairman of the Select Committee on Assassinations and its Subcommittees on the Assassinations of John F. Kennedy and Martin Luther King, Jr., we write to inquire what action the Department has taken on the Committee's recommendations of January 2, 1979 (H. Rep. No. 95-1828, 95th Cong., 2d Sess (1979)).

As you know, our recommendations were made to the Department more than 18 months ago. They included making certain additional scientific tests, either in the first instance or for the purpose of verification; they included reviewing the published evidence in both cases; they envisioned, finally, a report to the Judiciary Committee.

The only communication we have had from your office was a letter from Mr. Robert L. Keuch dated December 12, 1979, a copy of which is attached for your review. As of this date we have not had any further communication regarding Department activity relating to the work of the Select Committee on Assassinations.

It is our understanding that none of the scientific work has been undertaken, despite the passage of more than ample time to have completed it.

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In your response, it would be appreciated if you could give us a time table by which we could measure your progress and expect the testing, review, and decision making processes to be

Thank you.

Louis Stokes

Former Chairman

House Select Committee on

Assassinations

Sincerely,

Walter E. Fauntroy Former Chairman King Subcommittee

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This should go through Mr. Keuch's office to insure that Senator Bradley is not sent a copy of our letter to Stokes until the original is sent to Stokes. Also if any changes are made to the Stokes letter, they should be made to this copy as well.

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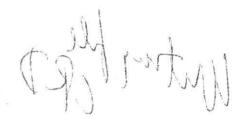
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