

Memorandum

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TO : Mr. W. C. Sullivan

DATE: November 29, 1967

FROM : G. C. Moore

- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Bishop
- 1 - Mr. Sullivan
- 1 - Mr. G. C. Moore
- 1 - Mr. D. M. Wells

SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
SECURITY MATTER - COMMUNIST

PURPOSE:

CLASSIFIED BY 6076 WAF/GR  
EXEMPT FROM GDS CATEGORY 2  
DATE OF DECLASSIFICATION INDEFINITE

Attached for your approval for dissemination are copies of a communication revealing the Ford Foundation is giving Martin Luther King, Jr.'s group, the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), a quarter of a million dollars.

BACKGROUND:

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ON 11/15/85 Informant

[redacted] McGeorge Bundy, President of the Ford Foundation, was about to give SCLC a [redacted] grant [redacted] the Ford Foundation was sympathetic to the financial problems of SCLC.

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With your approval, John Bugas, former Special Agent in Charge of the Detroit Office and presently Vice President of the Ford Motor Company, was briefed as to the subversive backgrounds of King's principal advisors. Bugas expressed alarm and indicated that although the Ford Motor Company had little control over the Ford Foundation he, nevertheless, would immediately attempt to get in touch with Bundy and do something about this matter. Bugas advised that when he confronted Bundy with this matter, Bundy was rather highbanded in the conversation. Bugas indicated his company had quite a number of "hard blows" from the Ford Foundation over the years and most certainly a liaison between this foundation and Martin Luther King, Jr., would be a serious blow to the company. No additional information was received concerning this matter until recently. We did not disseminate this information so that our counterintelligence measures would not be divulged.

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RECENT DEVELOPMENTS:

At a staff meeting recently, King announced the Ford Foundation had granted his organization a quarter of a million dollars. King did not state how this money was going to be used. u

OBSERVATIONS:

It is interesting to note that King's group will only get \$250,000, a large sum, but considerably smaller than the original amount. Perhaps our measures had some effect in causing this reduction. In view of King's current announcements indicating he will hold a camp-in at Washington, D. C., across from the White House, it is felt the President would be extremely interested in the source of these new funds being made available to SCLC. u

RECOMMENDATION:

The attached be forwarded by routing slip to Mrs. Mildred Stegall at the White House; Mr. William Welsh, Administrative Assistant to the Vice President; Secretary of Defense McNamara; the Attorney General; Deputy Attorney General; Assistant Attorneys General Doar, Yeagley, and Vinson; Army, Navy, and Air Force. u

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Dr. [unclear]

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