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O'Neal gave Mitchell information from which Mitchell sketched a floor plan of the Panther apartment, precisely locating the bed where Fred Hampton slept, according to testimony in the case.

Mitchell passed that information along to Chicago police who carried out the fatal raid under the direction of then-Cook County State's Atty. Edward V. Hanrahan.

Panther attorney James D. Montgomery charges that the raiders, knowing where Hampton was sleeping at the time of the early morning raid, fired through the bedroom wall in a deliberate effort to kill the young Panther leader.

Mitchell revealed that the FBI shared informant Maria Fisher with a Chicago Police Department intelligence officer James Tobin.

Tobin was a key figure in the recent Cook County grand jury investigation of police spying, which alleged that there was close co-ordination between the local police and FBI on intelligence matters.

EARLIER THIS week, a spokesman for Atty.-Gen. Edward H. Levi told The Daily News that the Justice Depart-

ment soon would reveal details of the police-FBI tie. The details were requested by Rep. Bella S. Azbug (D-N.Y.), whose House subcommittee on individual rights is considering holding hearings on police spying in Chicago and other cities.

Mitchell also revealed that the FBI had a file on Fred Hampton long before he joined the Panthers. The file, Mitchell acknowledged, contained information gathered by FBI agent James Gerblick in 1967 when Hampton headed the Maywood (Ill.) NAACP Youth Council.

This testimony appeared to conflict with testimony given earlier by Mitchell's former boss, ex-Chicago FBI chief Marlin W. Johnson, who contended targets of "RM" investigations were violence-prone groups.

Mitchell testified that the purpose of such investigations was to prosecute violators of federal laws, but said he couldn't recall any instance where a prosecution actually resulted.

Pressed by Montgomery, he admitted the reason he couldn't recall was that there weren't any prosecutions.

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