

Perhaps nothing can underscore more clearly the HSCA's unserious intent with regard to the political assassinations and the FBI's role as investigator of them than an internal FBI memo of May 16, 1975. (Not recorded Serial in 62-109060, Section 193). The purpose of the memo was to seek "continuing authority" to maintain the files HSCA asked to examine in a separate room. The only files it lists, the only ones HSCA even looked at, are four FBIHQ files, ~~44~~ MURKIN or ~~44~~ 44-38861; and three ~~K~~/F JFK assassination files, 62-109060, titled ^{"Assassination of JFK"} on the assassination; 62-109090, titled "Liaison with the Warren Commission" on the Commission; and 105-82555, "Lee Harvey Oswald."

Before then I had broken loose many other relevant files and they were in the public domain. They were even in the FBI's reading room.

On the King assassination this does not include any of the field office files, which are more important. (The main file is that of the Office of Origin, in that case Memphis.) It does not include the matters that had King in Memphis, the Sanitation Strike or the Invaders, both large files at both FBIHQ and its Memphis office.

(Obvious JFK files not included, besides those of the field offices, which I also obtained and were in the public domain and the FBI's reading room, are those on Marina Oswald and Jack Ruby.)

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REQUEST TO MAINTAIN PERTINENT
KENNEDY - KING FILES IN ROOM 6988, JER,
CONGRESSIONAL INQUIRY UNIT

PURPOSE: To request continuing authority to maintain those files relating to the assassinations of Martin Luther King, Jr., and President John F. Kennedy to respond to requests from the House Select Committee on Assassinations (HSCA).

CURRENT BUREAU POLICY: Manual for Bureau Supervisors, Page 16, Item 26, dated 12/23/76, sets out, in part, that the continued necessity and authority for maintenance of files in space other than that controlled by Records Management Division must be reviewed periodically and approved by the Deputy Associate Director (Administration).

RECOMMENDATION: That continuing authority be granted to maintain pertinent Kennedy - King files in Room 6988, JER.

DETAILS: By J. S. Feelman to Mr. Gallagher memorandum dated 11/25/76, captioned as above, authority was granted to maintain the following files in space occupied by the Congressional Inquiry Unit:

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- 1 - 62-109060
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