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June Mail, FBI File 100-106670
Serials 165-1471

165 7/23/63 JEH to AG - proposed memo re: request for tesur on MLK residence(s) and SCLC office(s) "Pursuant to your request..." (b)(7)

168 7/22/63 [redacted] to Sullivan - recommending tesurs of #165 be requested of AG again...at AG's suggestion. Atlanta conducted feasibility study... Does this refer to MLK case? [redacted] (b)(2) (b)(7)(E)

169 7/26/63 JEH to SAC, Atlanta - no further action - AG disapproved.

170 Signed cc. #165

171 Original of #165

AG note paper - "Courtney-speak to me-Bobby"

6/25/63 [changed to 7/25/63] Evans to Belmont - re MLK, Jr. re: AG spoke to Evans 7/16 re: his tesur request on MLK, his home and office - now considers it ill-advised -doubted it was worth the risk, should the act be disclosed -AG did say OK to go ahead with Jones ACTION - no further action on MLK at home or office "in the absence of a further request from the Attorney General"

204 Director to SAC's NY, Atlanta - 9/6/63 - Atlanta - survey for tesur on HQ of SCLC and MLK residence

207 9/6/63 - Bland, J.F., to Sullivan recommending #204 be sent - since in light of Levison and O'Dell association, King should be afforded increased coverage.

224 10/1/63 - FBI to Atlanta - results of survey?

229 Airtel 9/18/63 - re: 9/6 - S. Bell source unavailable

230 10/14/63 - JEH to SAC, NY - install tesur at SCLC, NY - Re: 56 investigative-type tesurs in operation and 5 awaiting - "AG has approved"

UBN JEH to [redacted], 10/15/63 - leased line facilities be furnished - at rates - AG approved - national security in jeopardy of human life - From - to - (address in NY)

- 232 SAC, NY to JEH 9/13 - survey - secure and feasible
- 233 SAC, NY to JEH 9/12/63 survey letters - two lines installed - one more line to go
- 249 11/1/63 - NY to JEH - 1:45 on 10/30/63 - the final installations made at SCLC office (312 West 125th St., Manhattan)
Numbers: UN6-2000 - final installation
UN6-2001 - installed 10/24
UN6-2002 - installed 10/24
- 246 10/25/63 - NY to JEH: UN6-2001 - installed 1:05, 10/24
UN6-2002 " " "
- 250 10/3 Airtel - NY to JEH re: Bell facilities
- 251 Buck slip 10/7 - Tolson says doesn't see why recommend #250 to AG since he turned down similar request on 7/22. JEH - "I will approve though I am dizzy over vacillation as to the influence of the CP."
- (1)

- 252 Sizoo to Sullivan 10/18 - SAC McMahon, Atlanta - needs sound man from outside for installation - can run from rented apartment (evaluation results)
Re: equipment which would be needed - necessary - Atlanta be given go-ahead if AG approves
- 253 Sizoo to Sullivan 10/22 - On 10/21/63 McMahon advised that residence and office of MLK approved. Rent for apartment approved - Miami sound man approved
- 254 #250 signed and approved by AG on 10/10/63
10/10/63 - Evans to Belmont - AG called at his request - had 10/7 memo - concerned over risk of tap on MLK residence - said go ahead on trial basis - continue if productive wanted to be advised of more information on communist connections - 10/21 - McMahon advised
- 255 10/10/63 SAC, Atlanta to JEH re: necessity for telephone tap; specifics - type of case - CP; information sought - specific information on MLK and CP connections
Atlanta to JEH 10/10/63 - equipment and manpower needs and difficulties
JEH to Atlanta 10/14 - re: explain SCLC installation
- 258 10/18/63 - JEH to AG - request coverage of SCLC Atlanta office
- CLASSIFIED BY 6922 UNCLAS 385

258 Bland to Sullivan 10/18/63 - recommend SCLC office tap - survey was conducted and is feasible

259 Note that signed authorization removed permanently for retention in the National Survey Electronic Surveillance File / memo of [REDACTED] to E.S. Miller 7/13/73 (dated 11/12/73) (b)(7)(C)

259 "Courtney - speak to me - Bobby"

259 10/21/63 Evans to Belmont - Re: discussion with AG - AG still uncertain of risks (10/21 - McMahon advised of authorization); said reevaluation in 30 days - as with MLK home tap

263 11/12/63 - Atlanta to JEH - installation completed 11/8 on home and office

UNN JEH to SAC 11/27 - please clarify numbers - add's of #263

277 Further clarification of above from Atlanta

279 11/22/63 - justification for continuation of tap - SCLC, NY (SAC, NY to JEH)

285 SAC, NY to JEH - NY to Director: UN-62000 and UN6-2002 Extended

UNN 12/12/63 - justification from Atlanta for MLK home continuation

UNN Bland to Sullivan 12/20/63 submitting a justification for continuation after 30 days (rec. extend three months) (Cominfil in Racial Matters-SCLC, MLK / SM/C

UNN 1/6/64 - Sullivan to Belmont: CPUSA - Negro Question, Cominfil in Racial Matters, I S-C
On this past weekend 1/4-5/64 MLK would be in Willard 1/5-7/64 - "I" authorized microphone coverage of MLK by WFO.
1/5 coverage effected (no telephone - trespass involved)

292 1/10/64 - NY to JEH justification for continuation of SCLC, NY - remarks - "Unless information is received which would justify continuance of this source, the M/O will discontinue coverage on 1/24/64

292 1/17/64 JEH to SAC, NY - Bureau concurs with above

UNN 1/13/64 - CPUSA/memo Sullivan to Belmont - in Deegan's office

UNN 1/17/64 - Sullivan to Belmont - Sullivan gave SAC,

Milwaukee authority to survey feasibility of microphone coverage of MLK's 1/27 stay in Milwaukee

- 294 SAC, NY to JEH 1/27 - SCLC discontinued 1/24/64
- UNN Baum to Sullivan 1/23 - gave Milwaukee go-ahead on 1/27 coverage
- UNN Sullivan to Belmont 1/28 - Milwaukee mike discontinued on 1/27 11:30 A.M. - unproductive - no activities of interest developed
- UNN More on above - Re: PD protecting MLK
- UNN 1/28/64 Baum to Sullivan re: request coverage of MLK and Wyatt Walker in Hawaii 2/18-25/64
- UNN 2/4/64 - Baum to Sullivan - more on Honolulu coverage - to be headed by [REDACTED]
- UNN 3/4/64 - to Deegan's office - Sullivan to Baum - and enclosure
- 306 Sullivan to Belmont 2/22 - MLK and Walker covered in LA Ambassador Hotel [REDACTED] CO
- UNN 3/9/64 JEH to SAC, Atlanta re: errors in reporting (b)(3)
- UNN 3/20/64 SAC, Atlanta to JEH - justification for continuation of technical or microphone surveillance on MLK home - Obtain cc. - examples of information gleaned from tap was used
- UNN 3/31/64 JEH to SAC, Detroit - provide information on mic surveillance - re: 3/19 phone call with Sullivan and ASAC Callaghan
- UNN Sullivan to Belmont 3/19/64 - MLK in Detroit, authorize bug in hotel room with [REDACTED]
- UNN 4/13/64 re: MLK Sullivan to Baumgardner in Deegan's office
- UNN 4/21/64 Baumgardner to Sullivan re: Fauntroy and MLK talked re Alsop article
King told Fauntroy to talk to Marshall and determine if Alsop info came from Justice - MLK said tell Marshall, he (MLK) has no dealings with Levison and O'Dell
In particular - says knows tap between Jones and Levison
Observed: King "of course" is lying re: no more contacts with Levison.
- 359 4/23/64 Sullivan to Belmont - LA got authority to go to [REDACTED] and get passkey (to get into MLK's room)

360 4/23/64 Sullivan to Belmont - SF, [REDACTED] got authorization for technical coverage of MLK at Senator Hotel

UNN Teletype 4/24/64 - 8:15 P.M. (PCT) on 4/24 installed in LA

UNN Sullivan to Belmont 4/22 SF conduct survey of Senator for MLK's 4/23/64 stay

UNN 4/24/64 SF to Director. Results of SF R.A.D. - MLK makes Las Vegas plans

UNN 5/25/64 SAC, LV re: MLK in Deegan's office

UNN 6/1/64 Baum to Sullivan re: MLK - in Deegan's office

UNN 6/18/64 Airtel SAC, NY to JEH re: meeting 6/22/64 in Wachtel's office (MLK et al) re: speech writing and other guidance - [REDACTED]

UNN 7/2/64 Baumgardner to Sullivan - extend "current technical surveillance" on MLK in LA and authorize installation of misur. What he will do at the Republican Convention to be held in SF
Justification - in 10/63 RFK said OK place tesur on MLK's home and to any he may move - LA hotel - temporary residence

UNN 7/7/64 Sizoo to Sullivan - told LA to go ahead with LA installation of misur

UNN 7/10/64 MLK - in Deegan's office

7/15/64 Baumgardner to Sullivan (yellow) - In Deegan's office

7/17/64 letter to WH (Jenkins) in Deegan's office

7/17/64 Sullivan to Baumgardner in Deegan's office

406 7/23/64 Sizoo to Sullivan PBC called Mrs. King - a plot to kill King on 7/23 - alert passed on

UNN 7/8/64 SAC, Atlanta to JEH - justification for continuation of technical or microphone surveillance - get cc. - has value and use of information obtained from MLK home taps

414 Dean with Elson - letter to JEH and 8/3/64 re: MLK - in Deegan's office

UNN 8/11/64 Teletype JEH to SAC, NY - OK install tesur at [REDACTED] in NY where MLK family to be in August (NY requested in 8/7) (b)(1)(c)

430 NY to JEH 8/12 - information on lease line of 8/4 tap
UNN letter to [REDACTED] NY Telephone 8/12 (b)(7)(D)

UNN JEH to Malone - forwarding above 8/14 (said tesur on MLK authorized by AG on 10/10/63, NY notified on 8/11/64, leased line requested on 8/12 - letter to telephone company 8/12)

440 8/23/64 [REDACTED] to Branigan 8/22 - MLK testifying before Credentials Committee (b)(7)(D)

441 Newark to JEH 8/23 re: MLK's activities in Atlantic City hotel room being covered by tesur, as is Lee's room - Abernathy's room "not yet covered" (info to be sent to WH)

442 Sizoo to Sullivan 8/24/64 - on 8/21 told SAC, Newark to put tesur or misur on MLK in Atlantic City

443 Coverage removed 8/22 when MLK left Atlantic City and went to NYC (teletype 8/28 Newark to Director)

483 10/6/64 Bland to Sullivan re: MLK/SM-C -
"The Director has instructed there are to be no technical surveillances in cases which would thereby be tainted for prosecution"
-rec. MLK installation be continued, no prosecutive action is contemplated by Bureau

UNN 10/14/64 - justification for continuation... Atlanta to JEH - noted: reviewed 1/26/65 and coverage justified - information and value and action

517 11/10 cablegram to London - in Deegan's office

520 11/7 Sullivan to Belmont - in Deegan's office

522 11/10 Baumgardner to Sullivan - in Deegan's office

523 11/10 from [REDACTED] (memo) - in Deegan's office (b)(7)(D)

529 11/73 Baumgardner to Sullivan - in Deegan's office

UNN 12/16/64 Detroit to JEH [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Information passed to Bureau (b)(7)(D)

630 Nine pages of log - 12/16/64 P.M. - Rustin-Wachtel; Rustin-[REDACTED]-re Oslo trip; Rustin-[REDACTED]
Forwarding of 12/12 - says it is obscene (b)(7)(D)

- 697 1/11/65 NY to Director- 1/8/65 Bureau authorized misur
on MLK at Park Sheraton Hotel, NYC
1/8 effected
1/11- mikes and monitoring equipment removed
- 698 1/8/65 Sizoo to Sullivan- authorized NY to go ahead
with misur on #697
- 729 1/10/65 Baumgardner to Sullivan- results of misur in
NYC:- Discuss the use of E.S. by FBI, etc.
- plan approach w/Deloach
-talked about King/Rustin and comm. in movement(don't admit any)
-discuss info FBI had [REDACTED]
indicates=knowledge of taps,-etc. CO
- 778 1/31-Ny to FBI
1/31- misur is continued in Americana Hotel-
(effected 1/28)
on suite of MLK rooms-misur
- 779 1/29/65-SAC to Director- Sizoo on 1/28 authorized misur
- 800 1/29/65- Sizoo to Sullivan- 1/28/65-SAC NY asked for
permission to use misur at Americana, Sizoo said ok
- No # 1/25/65- SAC Atlanta to JEH
MLK home tesur justification for continuation.
- 938 3/2/65 Baum to Sull.
re: overhearing= 1
MLK-Young re: Boston be next.
re: suggest Gov. Volpe be contacted and
briefed and hopefully he will minimize the MLK day
affair (briefed re: communist [REDACTED] character.) CO
Note: "handled 3/3/65 WCS"
- 1024 12/2/65 Sullivan to Belmont- in Deegan's off.
- 1153 3/31/65-Airtel SAC NY to JEH.
re: 3/29.65 misur authorized at Park Sheraton, NY
3/29 effected
3/31 discontinued
- 1195 4/5/65 Airtel SAC NY to JEH-
re: 4/2 authorized misur at Americana
4/2 effected
1:30 discontinued- no trespass
note- misur not activated since MLK did not spend
night at Hotel

- 1196 4/2/65 Sizoo to Sull.
- 1317 5/7/65- JEH to SAC NY-
re: need info NY develops on MLK
said MLK beginning to look for listening
devices
[REDACTED]
- 1346 5/13/65 SAC NY to JEH
MISUR cked /12/65 at Sheraton Atlantic Hotel, NYC
5/12 installed at room of MLK and party
5/13 removed
- 1346 Sizoo to Sullivan- See; above
- 1372 5/17/75- Memo for AG from JEH advising of misur at
Sheraton Atlantic Hotel (meeting with advisor)
- 1373 Original of 1372
- 1382 SAC NY to JEH 5/18/65- re: [REDACTED]'s interest in MLK
l-security, protection
-asked about technical coverage
- in memo "It should be noted that this office
has developed evidence on at least one occasion
where [REDACTED]
coverage of KING in a New York Hotel"
- 1382 5/21 JEH to NY asked about [REDACTED] taps and what tactics
MLK uses to search in room.
- 1407 5/28/65 SAC NY to JEH-explains the discussion the
King party had at Park Sheraton re: mikes-apparently
they had found a mike- [REDACTED] info had installed
[REDACTED]
- 1444 6/7/65- SAC NY to JEH 6/3/65 authorized Americana-misur
6/3 installed on Young and King
6/4 discontinued- no intell. obtained.
Note: "misur not operative- See memo"
- 1452 Sizoo to Sullivan 6/3 memo on info re: bugging room-
Note- King did not use room and misur not effected so
AG not notified.
- 1469 6/4/65 SAC AT. to JEH- re: [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

b(7)(D)

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1470 6/9/65 SAC At. to JEH- re: Chicago Rev. Carey-
contacts of 5/10 and 6/7 to SCLC re: preaching
at Carey's church by Vivan/Clayton.

1471 SAC At. 6/2/65- to JEH-



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Section 2
Serials 1674-4111

1674 SAC, NY to JEH 7/29/65. [REDACTED] (b)(7)

1675-1807 Not Enclosed

1808 SAC, Atlanta to JEH 9/3/65. [REDACTED] (b)(7)

Earlier phone contacts noted, also.

1809-1974 Not Enclosed

1975-1976 Mr. Deegan's office

1977-1979 Not Enclosed

1980 Mr. Deegan's office

1981 Sullivan to Belmont 10/14/65. MLK at Astor Hotel, NYC, rm. 445. NY Office took rm. 435 to conduct microphone surveillance. Sullivan OKd (on short notice); memo to AG prepared.

1982-1987 Not Enclosed

1988 SAC, NY to JEH 10/15/65. Airtel misur at Astor Hotel 10/14/65, discontinued 10/15/65, 1:00 P.M.

1989-1990 Memo to AG 10/19/65 re Astor Hotel coverage. Valuable information obtained re King's contacts with Levison, O'Dell, Wachtel; and King's involvement in Vietnam situation.

1990X 10/19/65. Six reels of tape enclosed. Retained in Mr. Deegan's office. Labelled "OBSCENE"

1991-2027 Not Enclosed

2028 Baumgardner to Sullivan 10/29/65. OKd installation of misur [REDACTED] at Hilton Hotel where MLK to stay. To be discontinued immediately following MLK departure. (b)(7)

2029-2030 Not Enclosed

2031 Mr. Deegan's office

2032-2033 Not Enclosed

2034 Airtel SAC, NY to JEH 11/8/65. NY Hilton misur coverage 10/28/65 - 10/30/65, 2:00 P.M.

2035-2062 Not Enclosed

2063 SAC, Atlanta to JEH 11/8/65. Airtel re conversation between [redacted] and [redacted] re [redacted]

2064 Baumgardner to Sullivan 11/10/65. Suggestion that information in #2063 be made known to WH and AG. OK by JEH 11/12/65 - copies to AG, DAG, SA M. Watson at WH.

2065-2091 Not Enclosed

2092 11/14/65. Three reels of tape, to Deegan's office. "OBSCENE"

2093-2102 Not Enclosed

2103 SAC, NY to JEH 12/1/65. Misur on MLK at Americana Hotel, NYC 11/29/65, 3:45 P.M. - 11/30/65, 1:30 P.M.

2104-2181 Not Enclosed

2182 Baumgardner to Sullivan 11/29/65 re #2103

2183 Memo JEH to AG 12/1/65 re #2103.

2184 Note Katzenbach to JEH 12/10/65. Discretion necessary in elsur dealings with persons outside the FBI in regard to MLK

2185-2223

2224X Memo JEH to AG 1/21/66 re misur of MLK because of communist connections - Levison, Wachtel, Rustin.

2224X Enclosure - Mr. Deegan's office

2224X Sullivan to DeLoach 1/21/66 re misur at the Americana, NYC. DeLoach note: "no one here approved this. I have told Sullivan again not to institute a mike surveillance without the Director's approval. Remove this surveillance at once 1-21" Concurrence by JEH

2225-2803 Not Enclosed

2804 SAC, NY to JEH 12/16/66. Airtel re conversation between [redacted] and [redacted] re current eavesdropping controversy. Attached DID "informative note": "We did maintain telephone tap coverage of King from November 1963, until June 1966."

2805-2819 Not Enclosed

2820 Memo Brennan to Sullivan 12/15/66, re King taps. 10/10/63 AG approved taps. 11/8/63 - 4/30/65 at MLK home until he moved; discontinued, not reinstated. 10/24/63 - 1/24/64 and 7/7/64 - 7/31/64 wire tap on SCLC, NY office. AG authorized 10/21/63 tap on SCLC Atlanta HQ: maintained 11/8/63 - 6/21/66, when AG Katzenbach ordered it discontinued due to possible interference with prosecution of Hosea Williams. Also, 16 misur and 4 wire taps installed intermittently at hotels and one temporary residence - AG advised of each, and of necessity of trespass to install. Hoover note: "When?" - concerning information to AG Katzenbach and AG Kennedy.

2821 Memo Brennan to Sullivan 12/19/66. Response to JEH question. Documents three trespass incidences at hotels and top secret memo marked obscene 3/4/64 to AG Kennedy - [REDACTED] Note: Asst. Dir. Evans recommended tape destruction, JEH declined.

2882-3387 Not Enclosed

3388 Memo Brennan to Sullivan 4/18/68. Documentation of elsur for the purpose of obtaining intelligence data concerning MLK.

3389-3412 Not Enclosed

3413 Blind memo 4/9/68. Narrative of AG Kennedy's request for MLK elsur

5/1/68. Brennan to Sullivan, to be filed with blind memo

3414-3457 Not Enclosed

3458 Memo DeLoach to Tolson 5/17/68. Leak of information - Drew Pearson to publish account that AG Kennedy initiated taps against MLK. DeLoach fears negative reaction to FBI, suggests strong "no comment" policy. JEH concurrence.

3459-3464 Not Enclosed

3465 "Communications Concerning MLK, Jr." 6/3/68. Monograph re surveillance. Six volumes - only Volume 1 included in June file: AG Kennedy request and approval of elsur; summary of material concerning communist influence MLK

-Volume 2: "OBSCENE" - exhibits keyed to Volume 1
-Volumes 3 & 4: "OBSCENE" - transcripts of elsur

-Volumes 5 & 6: FBI communications to WH re MLK elsur

The information contained in the monograph was requested by the WH via SC [REDACTED]

3466-3478 Not Enclosed

3479 Memo Smith to Sullivan 6/2/68 - request to forward volumes requested by [REDACTED] to WH. OKd by JEH

Unnumbered 5/13/69: "Reasons for Request of Elsur Authorization"

Unnumbered 2 unnumbered memos re possible motion for discovery request filed by attorney for Cassius Clay during his appeal for conviction on the basis of illegal government surveillance.

3480-3595 Not Enclosed

3596 6/16/69. Compliance with Tolson's request to file AG Kennedy authorization and request for MLK elsur in Files and Communication Division documented.

3597-3598 Not Enclosed

3599 Memo Moore to Sullivan 6/19/69 re information on discontinuance telsur MLK residence as requested by Sullivan.

3600-3603 Not Enclosed

3604 Memo Moore to Sullivan 6/16/69. Facts concerning telsur MLK residence to be forwarded to WH per JEH request. Also to VP because of his interest in urban affairs

3605 6/16/69. Letter to VP re #3604, MLK residence telsur

3606 6/16/69. Letter to President re #3604, MLK residence telsur

3607-3623 Not Enclosed

3624 Memo Moore to Sullivan 6/21/69 re disposition of Rep. Gross request for additional information concerning controversy re MLK telsur. Suggest no additional data released; JEH requests Tolson's opinion; Tolson concurs.

3625 Encl. Copies of 10/7/63 request by JEH to AG that MLK residence and NY SCLC office have technical surveillance initiated and 10/18/63 request for same at SCLC Atlanta office.

Memo Moore to Sullivan 6/10/69 re request by JEH for

information on surveillance authorization for MLK [REDACTED] (b)(7)(C)

3626 Not Enclosed

3627 6/8/69 Washington Post cartoon of JEH and illegal wiretaps

Memo Moore to Sullivan 6/9/69 re request for information on MLK and SCLC elsur, and former AG Clark's knowledge of surveillances. Clark denied 1/2/68 request for Atlanta SCLC wiretap on 1/3/68. He again denied a 4/2/68 request in a memo to JEH 1/17/69. 5/17/68 DeLoach meeting with AAG E. L. Weisl re MLK wiretaps - but ELW did not mention that AG Clark knew of his inquiry.

3628-3653 Not Enclosed

3654 Memo Moore to Sullivan 6/19/69 re request for information on former AG Katzenbach's knowledge of MLK elsur. 10/27/65 memo JEH to AG re continuance of technical surveillance; 12/1/65 memo JEH to AG re misur at Americana Hotel, NYC, with AG Katzenbach note to exercise caution with data on MLK. No data that Katzenbach authorized telsur.

3655 Att. 1/17/69 AG Clark to JEH. Denial, among others, to initiate elsur at SCLC; re memo dated 4/2/68

Att. 4/2/68 JEH to AG requesting telsur at SCLC Atlanta and Washington, D.C..

6/21/69 Memo Moore to Sullivan. Per request, information re former AG Clark's claim that request to resume telsur at MLK residence made as late as two days before assassination. Rebuttal - this request never made, but for SCLC telsur (though requests based on King's activities).

3656 Memo S. B. Donahoe to De Loach 6/24/69. Per JEH request, four memos: 7/16/63 - Evans to Belmont re AG Kennedy request for MLK technical surveillance; 6 (actually 7)/25/63 Evans to Belmont, withdrawal of RPK request based on Evan's prior admonitions; 10/7/63 - JEH to RPK, request for authority for MLK technical surveillance; 9/20/63 - AAG Marshall to JEH re Marshall's conversation with MLK re O'Dell and Levison.

3657 Memo Moore to Sullivan 6/20/69. Content same as #3655. Rebuttal of AG Clarke's claim.

3658-3659 Not Enclosed

3660 Memo Moore to Sullivan 6/27/69. Defense of 1964 dissemination of 13-page "Communism and the Negro Movement - A Current Analysis" and a 2-page "MLK, Jr., His Personal

Conduct" to Carl Rowan, Director, USIA, and to Dr. Leland Haworth, Director, NSF. JEH comment: "With Rowan's well known racist attitude there should have been no dissemination of the King memo to him. He breached security in disclosing in his column material which he secured as Director USIA"

3661-3718 Not Enclosed

3719 Memo Moore to Sullivan 1/28/70 re latest attacks on FBI by Clarke in McCall's magazine. Defense: no misur or wiretaps on SCLC or MLK while Clarke AG (10/3/66 - 1/22/69); no tapes played to persons outside the FBI. JEH comment: "They [his remarks] are those of a frustrated ex official, whose own record stinks.

3720-3949 Not Enclosed

3950 Memo G. C. Moore to E. S. Miller 5/23/73 re 5/21/73 New York Times article containing charges by retired SA Arthur Murtaugh that FBI used elsur material to undermine the support of MLK among his white backers - a "get King" movement. Att.: Times article, copies of six FBI documents showing the justification for and the extent of elsur, MLK, and the propriety of that coverage as evidenced by AG Kennedy's approval. Defense of specific allegations; sensationalism to sell pending book - most allegations qualified. Article to legal counsel for opinion: information doesn't appear to involve violation of any federal statute, but could apply for an injunction prohibiting Murtaugh from furnishing additional information from FBI files, based on his signature of 1951 secrecy agreement. Suggestion declined - more harm than good.

Allegation that top DC FBI official tried to persuade Atlanta community leaders not to attend a banquet for MLK. Sullivan to Atlanta 1965 to attend a conference: made appointment [redacted] - arranged by SA [redacted] - content of meeting not known. Also attempted unsuccessfully to meet with late Bishop Hallinan of Atlanta. 5/22/73 "Atlanta Constitution" article - city and state leaders denied alleged attempt to interfere with banquet. (b)(7)(D)

No record that FBI personnel contacted Eugene Patterson, an editor of "Atlanta Constitution", re MLK plans [redacted] (C)

Charge that intimate details King's personal life furnished to newsmen urged to write articles disclosing them can't be substantiated in FBI files.

File review pending to answer allegations.

Unnumbered 5/2/75 - Former SA Daniel Brennan⁶ interviewed by Michael Epstein of U. S. Senate Select Committee on Intelligence Activities. SA [redacted] at house, (b)(7)(c) though not in attendance at meeting, as requested by Epstein (Brennan request to protect FBI interests). Brennan and [redacted] discussed meeting subsequent to (b)(7)(c) Epstein's departure.

5/8/75 - retired SA [redacted] interviewed by (b)(7)(c) Epstein re his role at the 1964 Democratic National Convention in Atlantic City - technical surveillance of MLK - opposed LBJ - to obtain information about planned disruptive tactics or demonstrations that would threaten the safety of the President and security of convention.

FBI Director to AG - memos concerning these interviews

Unnumbered 6/13/75 teletype to contact FBI field offices to obtain dates MLK overheard on known wiretap and misur installations at ten hotels in 1964.

3951-4110 Not Enclosed

4111 Director FBI to AG 1/2/76 re duplication of 78 reels of tape from MLK misur 1964-1965 because of deterioration. Disposition awaiting reply by AG. Pottinger/technician listened to several of the tapes.