February 2, 1970

The Attorney General Department of Justice Washington, D. O.

Dear Mr. Attorney General:

Under letter of August 20 and October 9, 1969, on behalf of our client, Mr. Harold Weisberg of Frederick, Maryland, we requested access to certain documents under section 3(e) of the Freedom of Information Act, P.L. 89-487. The request related to "all documents filed by the United States with the Court in England in June-July, 1968, in the extradition proceeding by which James Earl Ray, the convicted killer of Dr. Martin Luther King, was returned to this country.

In letters dated November 13 and December 15, 1969, this request was refused by the Deputy Attorney General, Mr. Richard G. Kleindienst. Copies of this correspondence are enclosed for your perusal.

Under the regulations of the Department of Justice, our client's administrative remedies will not have been exhausted without a reply to the request over your signature, as head of the Department. Therefore, we renew our request for access to the above specified documents.

Sincerely yours,

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cc: Mr. harold Weisberg Route 8 Frederick, Maryland