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## King's Widow Says: 'Dismantle FBI'

ATLANTA (UPI) — Coretta Scott King says the United States continues to be haunted by the "monstrous acts" of the late FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover, and the nation should consider replacing the agency with a law enforcement body that respects personal freedom.

Mrs. King, responding to disclosures that the FBI worked in concert with a black leader to discredit the late Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., said Hoover's "despicable legacy lives on."

"Personal innuendos are beneath contempt," she said yesterday following the new disclosure. "They establish once again the FBI's obsession for invading private lives and developing imaginative scenarios for their own purposes."

Mrs. King, president of the Martin Luther King Jr. Center for Social Change, said the nation should consider dismantling the agency and replacing it with "a law enforcement agency with genuine and lawful objectives and procedures."

She said the latest FBI revelation "proves once again that the FBI treated the civil rights movement as if it were an alien enemy attack on the United States."

"J. Edgar Hoover's monstrous acts refuse to leave the

stage, she said.

Earlier, the head of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference said the FBI is still trying to discredit black leaders and challenged the agency to "put up or shut up" about King.

Dr. Joseph Lowery, president of the civil rights organization King founded, said the FBI should make public its information about King and the SCLC rather than blot out the name of a black leader the bureau allegedly sought to use to ease King out of the movement.

"I find it incredible that any reputable black leader would engage in a conspiracy with the FBI to 'remove' Dr. King from the civil rights scene," Lowery said in an interview.

"Many, many of us feel that this may be another attempt on the part of the FBI to raise serious doubts about black leadership and to shift the blame for Dr. King's tragic death from the FBI and racists to blacks," he said.

In Washington, the Center for National Security Studies recently made public files it obtained under the Freedom of Information Act showing the FBI sought to promote another black leader in place of King during the 1960s. The other black leader was not named.

Lowery said that if the FBI has the name, it should

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