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Dear Mr. Weisberg:

This letter is in response to your letter of September 19, 1998, concerning the reinvestigation of the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. The Department of Justice appreciates your interest and concern which prompted you to write.

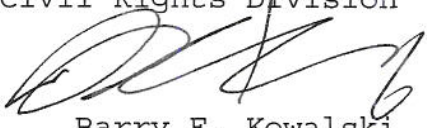
On August 26, 1998, Attorney General Janet Reno announced that the Department of Justice will conduct a limited inquiry into certain allegations regarding Dr. King's assassination. The Department of Justice believes that sufficient new information exists to warrant a supplemental investigation into recent allegations. The Department's Civil Rights Division, with support from the Criminal Division, has been directed to conduct this inquiry and report its findings to the Attorney General.

The information you have provided is being considered as a part of our investigation.

Sincerely,

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