

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

- 1 - Mr. Cochran
- 1 - Mr. Stack
- 1 - Mr. Blackburn

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TO : Mr. Cochran

DATE: 9/24/75

FROM : M. J. Stack

SUBJECT: ASSASSINATION OF
MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

On 9/24/75, Assistant Attorney General Jewett Miller, Memphis, Tennessee, telephonically contacted SA [redacted] of the Laboratory Division and advised that the Columbia Broadcasting System (CBS) had filed a petition on 9/19/75 in State Criminal Court requesting that the firearms evidence in the above case, previously examined in the FBI Laboratory by SA Robert A. Frazier (since retired) be re-examined by their expert Lowell W. Bradford of San Jose, California. This petition is to be heard in criminal court on 9/26/75.

Bradford has apparently filed an affidavit indicating that based on a photograph which he viewed of the bullet allegedly removed from King, he was of the opinion that sufficient individual microscopic marks were present to allow a determination to be made as to whether or not the bullet had been fired from the evidence weapon. Bradford placed an 80% probability that a positive determination could be reached if he were allowed to re-examine the evidence.

Assistant Attorney General Miller requested that he be put in contact with former SA Frazier in order to discuss the points brought forth in Bradford's affidavit regarding examination procedures.

The Memphis Office has been telephonically advised of the above information and a confirmatory teletype will be furnished Memphis 9/25/75.

RECOMMENDATION:

That former SA Frazier be contacted and advised of the above and given the telephone number of Assistant Attorney General Miller in Memphis, Tennessee. Telephone number (901) 528-3100.

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- 1 - Mr. Callahan
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Mr. Miller and advised of the above and given the telephone number of Mr. Miller in Memphis, Tennessee.