

Memorandum to Mr. Belmont
RE: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS; BOMBING OF
SIXTEENTH STREET BAPTIST CHURCH

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Articles and editorials appearing in Birmingham newspapers on the evening of November 6 and morning of November 7, 1963, were extremely critical of the Justice Department's handling of the incident involving Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr., using the Department rented automobile. Reverend Mr. King on October 15, 1963, was driven from Birmingham to Selma by a private citizen in an automobile loaned to the citizen by

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Departmental Attorney Thelton Henderson. Departmental Attorney Henderson subsequently submitted his resignation which was accepted. Some editorial comments were as follows: "If the Justice Department does not know what its own people are doing, in this case, what certainty is there that it knows what others are doing?" "If it is not able to rely on what its own personnel tell it, how capable is it in inquiring into activities of others?" "Easy rolling of one head will not silence questioning." "The Justice Department has not satisfactorily explained how this kind of thing could have come about in the first place, or its inability to rely on its own people. The Justice Department is expected by all citizens to be immaculate. It is not."



ACTION:

You will be kept advised of pertinent developments.

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TO : Mr. Belmont *MB*

DATE: November 7, 1963

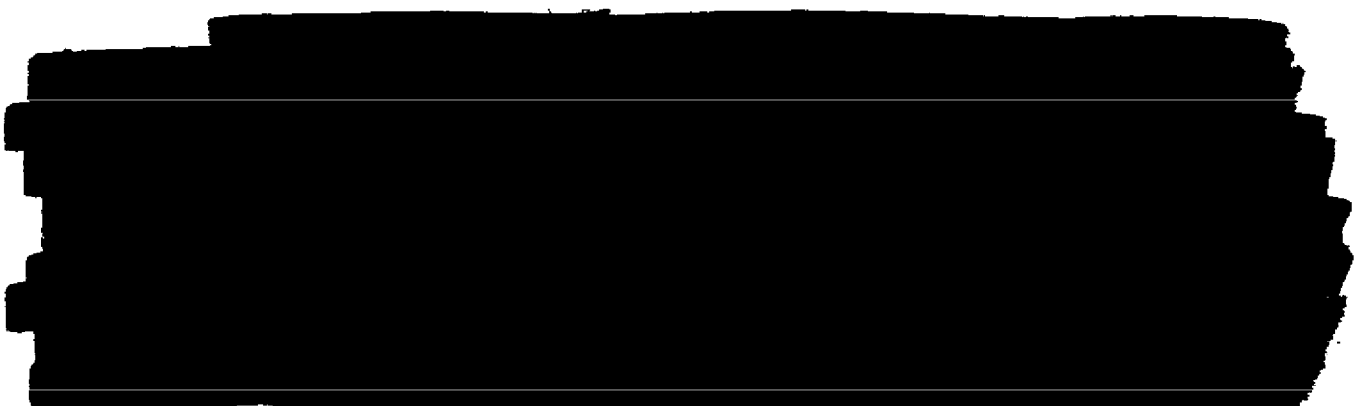
FROM : A. Rosen *AR*

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS; BOMBING OF
 0 SIXTEENTH STREET BAPTIST CHURCH
BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA, 9/15/63
 BOMBING MATTERS

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As a result of surveillance of suspect Robert Chambliss on his recent business trip, an auto parts dealer at Tallassee, Alabama, advised he had obtained a used 1942 Hudson clutch assembly as a trade-in about one year ago and that this assembly was kept in the storeroom until about a month and a half ago when it was set aside as trash by a salesman for an auto rebuilt parts company during a sales contact. The disposition and location of this clutch assembly is not known to the dealer. The auto parts dealer is regularly contacted by Chambliss, delivery man for an auto rebuilt parts company. Chambliss makes delivery and picks up used parts to be reconditioned and for credit allowance.

The clutch assembly as described by the auto parts dealer is similar or identical to clutch parts used in the shrapnel bomb used at 16th Avenue and Center Street, South in Birmingham, Alabama, on September 25, 1963. Intensive efforts are being made to prove or disprove this clutch assembly as part of the bomb.



- 1 - Mr. Mohr
- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Evans
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Robert Chambliss returned on the evening of
November 5, 1963, from his business trip to Florida

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TO : Mr. Rosen *Rosen*

DATE: 11/11/63

FROM : C. L. McGowan *McGowan*

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS,
Bombing of 16th Street
Baptist Church, Birmingham,
Alabama, 9/15/63
BOMBING MATTERS

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SAC, Roy K. Moore, Birmingham, called about 10:00 AM, 11/11/63 requesting Bureau authority to place the following individuals on the polygraph in connection with captioned investigation:

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

According to Moore the above three individuals were picked up in 1958 for an attempted bombing of a negro home in Birmingham. These individuals are reported to be "klansmen" and have agreed to submit to a polygraph examination.

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SAC Moore advised that the above individuals would be afforded the polygraph examination unless advised to the contrary by the Bureau. This request was cleared with Assistant Director A. Rosen.

Foregoing submitted for record purposes.

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URGENT 11/11/63 9-49 PM EST RLB

TO DIRECTOR AND SAC, ATLANTA

FROM SAC, JACKSONVILLE /157-584/ 1P

BAPBOMB.

RACIAL MATTERS.

REJKTTEL NOV. TEN, LAST.

[REDACTED] AUTOMOBILE OBSERVED AT RESIDENCE OF [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] MEMBER OF UFKKK, JACKSONVILLE, ON NOV. TEN, LAST. HE
ATTENDED BARBECUE SPONSORED BY QUOTE THE KKK UNQUOTE AT
ST. AUGUSTINE, FLA., SAME EVENING. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] NOT OBSERVED IN

JACKSONVILLE THIS DATE AND APPEARS TO HAVE DEPARTED.

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TO: DIRECTOR FBI (157-1025)
FROM: SAC BIRMINGHAM (157-352) (P)
RE: BAPBOMB

ReBurad 11/6/63.

Pursuant to Assistant Director ROSEN'S instructions,
SA [redacted] is proceeding today, being relieved of
special assignment!

C.C. WICK

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Date: 10/30/63

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-1025)
ATTENTION: IDENTIFICATION DIVISION
LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION

FROM: SAC, BIRMINGHAM (157-352)

SUBJECT: BAPBOMB

RE: Bureau airtel 10/25/63 requesting submission of names and identifying data regarding suspects in captioned matter to be compared with latent fingerprint recovered from a package in which a bomb was contained that was located next to the Jewish Temple Beth-El, Birmingham, Alabama, 4/28/58.

The Latent Fingerprint Section, Identification Division, is requested to compare the fingerprints of the below listed individuals, all considered suspects in captioned matter, with the above-described latent:

[REDACTED]

THOMAS EDWIN BLANTON, SR., WM, born 11/23/83, Clopton, Alabama, 5'8", 140 pounds, blond hair, brown eyes

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Washington, D. C. 20537



REPORT

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LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION

Identification Division

YOUR FILE NO. **157-352**
FBI FILE NO. **157-1025** *REC-31*
LATENT CASE NO. **45563** *628*

November 7, 1963

TO: **SAC, Birmingham**

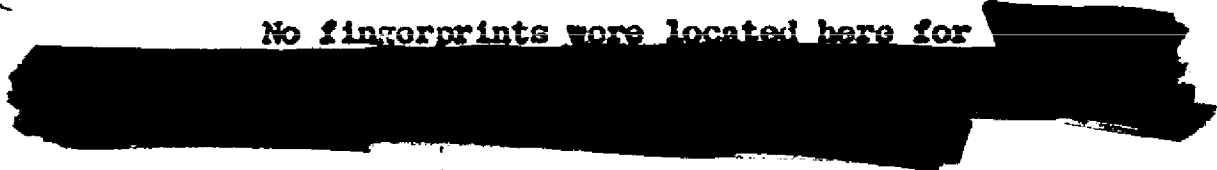
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RE: **BAPBOMB**

REFERENCE: **Airtel 10-30-63**
EXAMINATION REQUESTED BY: **Birmingham**
SPECIMENS:

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No fingerprints were located here for



The two latent fingerprints in the case entitled "Unknown Subject; Attempted Bombing of Temple, Beth-El Jewish Synagogue 21st Way and Highland Avenue, Birmingham, Alabama, 4/28/58," Bufile #100-135, latent case #15223, are not identical with the fingerprints of the other thirty-nine individuals listed in your airtel.

1 - Bufile (100-135)

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- Belmont _____
- Mohr _____
- Casper _____
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John Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover, Director

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Reference No: 157-352
FBI File No: 157-1025-628
Latent Case No: 45563

Received: 10-31-63/dab

Answer to: SAC, BIRMINGHAM

Examination requested by: Addressee

Copy to:

RE: BAPBOMB

Date of reference communication: 10-30-63 airtel
Specimens:

See attached list of 45 suspects:

UNKNOWN SUBJECT;
ATTEMPTED BOMBING OF TEMPLE
BETH-EL JEWISH SYNAGOGUE 21ST WAY
AND HIGHLAND AVENUE, BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA
4/28/58
100-135-
LC# 15226

Result of examination:

Examination by: [redacted]
Evidence noted by: [redacted]

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List of names (copy of airtel) to card index 11/11
No fpts record found for [redacted]
Latent fpts "Beth-El" case not ident
fpts of other 39 individuals listed
in airtel 11/6

Examination completed: 1208 NOON 11-6-63 Dictated: 11-6-63
Time Date Date

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AIR MAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-1025)
ATTENTION: IDENTIFICATION DIVISION
LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION

FROM: SAC, BIRMINGHAM (157-352) 11-42

SUBJECT: BAPBOMB *to file*

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TO DIRECTOR AND SAC, ATLANTA

FROM SAC, JACKSONVILLE /157-584/ 1P

BAPBOMB. [REDACTED] RACIAL MATTERS.

REMMTEL NOV. NINE LAST REVEALING [REDACTED] REPORTEDLY ENROUTE TO JACKSONVILLE.

[REDACTED] SPOKE AT KLAN RALLY SPONSORED BY QUOTE THE KU KLUX KLAN UNQUOTE HELD JUST NORTH OF JACKSONVILLE, LAST NIGHT. [REDACTED] WAS DRIVING HIS NINETEEN FIFTYEIGHT OLDSMOBILE CONVERTIBLE.

EFFORTS BEING MADE TO FOLLOW [REDACTED] ACTIVITIES AND BUREAU AND INTERESTED OFFICES WILL BE KEPT ADVISED.

AM COPY TO BIRMINGHAM.

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TO : Mr. C. L. McGowan

DATE: 11/8/63

FROM : Mr. A. Rosen

SUBJECT: BAPBOMB

There are attached four memoranda which were submitted to me on my recent trip to Birmingham by Agents of the Birmingham Office concerning the part played by the Alabama Highway Patrol in their investigation of the bombing of the Sixteenth Street Baptist Church which set forth details explaining the actions of the Alabama Highway Patrol in attempting to beat the FBI to the punch in making arrests in this case.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-1025)
Attention: FBI Laboratory
Personal Attention: ASSISTANT DIRECTOR ROSEN

FROM: SAC, BIRMINGHAM (157-352) (P)

SUBJECT: BAPBOMB

POLYGRAPH MATTERS
BuFile 80-5-4

Assistant Director ROSEN, in a telephone conversation with SAC ROY K. MOORE, granted Bureau authority for the interview of

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] agreed to come to the Birmingham FBI Office on 11/6/63, for a polygraph interview but did not appear. Additional efforts will be made to contact him to get him to take the polygraph examination.

- 3- Bureau
- 1- Little Rock (Info) (94-220A)
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Special Agent in Charge

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62-10 The polygraph chart and list of questions used in the interview of [REDACTED] are being retained in the Birmingham file.

An information copy is furnished to Little Rock inasmuch as the polygraph examiner is assigned to that office.

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TO DIRECTOR /157-1025/

FROM SAC BIRMINGHAM /157-352/ 1P

BAPBOMB, ET AL.

DAILY SUMMARY.

SPOT SURVEILLANCES OF EIGHT PRINCIPAL SUSPECTS CONTINUED TODAY, SUNDAY, NO UNUSUAL ACTIVITY NOTED.

ASTERISK INFORMANTS, CI/S AND PCI/S REPORTED NOTHING OF SIGNIFICANCE.

EXTENSIVE FILE REVIEWS CONDUCTED THIS DATE IN PREPARATION OF INDIVIDUAL SUMMARY REPORTS REQUESTED BY BUREAU, AS WELL AS TO DEVELOP ADDITIONAL ASSOCIATES OF PRIME SUSPECTS FOR FUTURE INTERVIEWS.

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TO DIRECTOR

FROM SAC, BIRMINGHAM /157-352/ 5P

BAPBOMB.

DAILY SUMMARY.

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E. I. DU PONT CO. GUARD REPORTED PARTIAL CASE OF DYNAMITE AND ELECTRIC BLASTING CAPS LOCATED OUTSIDE FENCED AREA IN VICINITY OF STORAGE MAGAZINES BY A HUNTER. THIRTY STICKS OF BADLY DETERIORATED MONOBEL QUOTE 'DOUBLE A' UNQUOTE QUOTE "PERMISSIBLE POWDER" UNQUOTE LOCATED BY PLANT SECURITY GUARDS AND AGENTS IN WOODED AREA APPROXIMATELY EIGHTH OF MILE FROM COMPANY PREMISES. DYNAMITE IN BADLY WEATHERED CARDBOARD CARTON MARKED QUOTE "ELECTRIC BLASTING CAPS" UNQUOTE. [REDACTED] WATSON, ALA., WHO FOUND DYNAMITE ALSO REPORTED FINDING FIFTYONE ELECTRIC BLASTING CAPS SECRETED IN WOODS A SHORT DISTANCE FROM DYNAMITE BUT AREA SEARCH NEGATIVE. TWO OF THESE CAPS WERE TURNED OVER TO DU PONT BY [REDACTED] AFTER FINDING THEM. DYNAMITE AND ELECTRIC CAPS IN POSSESSION OF [REDACTED] [REDACTED] DU PONT CO. INVESTIGATION BEING CONDUCTED TO TRACE ORIGIN OF CARTON, DYNAMITE AND BLASTING CAPS WITHIN DU PONT COMPOUND.

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W.C.D.

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IN ADDITION TO FOREGOING, SPOT SURVEILLANCES MAINTAINED PRINCIPAL SUSPECTS LAST NIGHT AND TODAY AND WILL CONTINUE.

CONTINUED FILE REVIEWS CONDUCTED FOR PURPOSE OF PREPARING INDIVIDUAL SUMMARY REPORTS AND TO ELICIT NAMES OF KLAN ASSOCIATES AND CONTINUOUS PROGRAM OF THAT TYPE INTERVIEW DESIGNED TO BRING PRESSURE TO BEAR UPON PRIME SUSPECTS. THIS PROGRAM PAYING OFF AS PRIME SUSPECTS BECOMING VERY JITTERY AND HAVE CONFERED WITH THOSE PERSONS INTERVIEWED
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TWENTYFIVE INTERVIEWS THIS DATE.

THREE HUNDRED FIFTEEN PENDING.

END AND ACK

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

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TO : Mr. Belmont *ABW*

DATE: November 12, 1963

FROM : A. Rosen *fr*

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT; BOMBING OF
SIXTEENTH STREET BAPTIST CHURCH,
BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA, 9/15/63
RACIAL MATTERS

Med. Sec.
Law

Indications are that our interviews of Klan associates of the prime suspects in this case are causing the suspects much concern. These suspects, Robert Chambliss, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] are becoming very jittery and have conferred with Klan members interviewed by us in an effort to determine what Bureau Agents have learned from them. These interviews are continuing.

[REDACTED]

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- 1 - Mr. Mohr
- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Evans

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Memorandum to Mr. Belmont
Re: UNKNOWN SUBJECT; BOMBING OF
SIXTEENTH STREET BAPTIST CHURCH

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] Bureau Agents and plant security guards located the dynamite reported by [REDACTED] in a wooded area approximately one eighth of a mile from the company premises. The dynamite consisted of 30 sticks, badly deteriorated, contained in a weather-beaten cardboard carton. In addition to the dynamite, [REDACTED] reported that he had observed 51 electric blasting caps secreted in the woods a short distance from the dynamite and he furnished the Dupont guards two of the blasting caps. A search of the area where [REDACTED] states he saw the blasting caps has thus far failed to disclose any additional blasting caps. Investigation is being pressed to trace the origin of the dynamite and blasting caps to determine if this material is of any significance in connection with our bombing investigation. The material found is presently in the custody of [REDACTED] of the Dupont Company.

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SIXTEENTH STREET BAPTIST CHURCH

Spot surveillances of the prime suspects in this case were maintained over the holliday weekend, but no unusual activity was noted.

ACTION:

You will be kept advised of pertinent developments.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

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TO : Mr. Belmont *B*

DATE: November 9, 1963

FROM : A. Rosen *RA*

Bap Bomb

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DATE 3-10-86 BY SPEN/SL
M. J. Sullivan
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SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS; BOMBING OF
SIXTEENTH STREET BAPTIST CHURCH
BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA, 9/15/63
BOMBING MATTERS

Our investigation is continuing to identify the clutch which was the source of the clutch part found at the scene of the shrapnel bomb at 16th Avenue and Center Street South, Birmingham, Alabama, on 9/25/63. An auto parts dealer at Tallassee, Alabama, advised he had obtained a used 1942 Hudson clutch assembly as a trade-in approximately one year ago. This auto parts dealer was regularly contacted by one of our prime suspects Robert Chambliss and the possibility existed that this clutch was the one from which the part came.

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[REDACTED]

Therefore this particular clutch could not have been used in making the above mentioned shrapnel bomb. Our investigation is continuing to identify the pertinent clutch.

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During interviews of suspects and associates the name of one [REDACTED] was mentioned. It is noted that [REDACTED] is already under consideration as a suspect and is an associate of [REDACTED] who

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- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Evans

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Memorandum to Mr. Belmont
RE: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS; BOMBING OF
SIXTEENTH BAPTIST CHURCH

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] This is
being pursued to develop additional information.

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] is one of our prime suspects.

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] We have him under surveillance.

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] at the time of his arrest was in possession of a news item regarding
the bombing of the Sixteenth Street Baptist Church in Birmingham
on 9/15/63 and had undeveloped film identified as photographs
of damage to the Gaston Motel, Birmingham, bombed on 5/11/63.
Appropriate investigation is being conducted concerning this information

ACTION:

You will be advised of pertinent developments.

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[Signature]
[Signature]

FBI

Date: 11/8/63

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI (157-1025)
(ATTENTION: FBI LABORATORY)

FROM SAC, INDIANAPOLIS (157-93)

BAPBOMB

OO: Birmingham

ReButel 10/3/64 and IP airtel 10/4/63.

Previous airtel dated 10/4/63 requested FBI Laboratory to compare letters from three individuals who could have been responsible for anonymous letter to Director.

Enclosed for the Laboratory are two letters to the Editor of the SOUTH BEND TRIBUNE, South Bend, Indiana, from one [redacted] is a constant letter writer to this newspaper and is from the South Bend area.

The Laboratory is requested to compare the typing with that sent to the Director.

It is requested the originals be returned to Indianapolis as the South Bend Tribune requests they be returned.

- ③ - Bureau (Enclosure) (RM)
- 1 - Birmingham
- 1 - Indianapolis

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Special Agent in Charge

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URGENT 11-13-63 9-11 PM CST HEP

TO DIRECTOR

FROM SAC BIRMINGHAM /157-352/ 5P

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*Message received
to Belmont 11/14/63
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"Police Cooperation"
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WILL BE KEPT ADVISED.

LIAISON AGENT WITH BIRMINGHAM PD TODAY STATES SEVERAL OFFICERS
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THAT DEPARTMENT CONFIDED IN HIM THAT IT IS A WONDERFUL THING THAT DIRECTOR HOOVER STILL HEADS THE FBI AS THE KENNEDY ADMINISTRATION HAS GREATLY DEGRADED THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE BY ITS REPRESENTATIVES RECENT ACTIONS IN SELMA, ALABAMA. MANY SIMILAR REMARKS HAVE RECENTLY BEEN OVERHEARD BY AGENTS OF THIS OFFICE IN THEIR DAILY WORK.

SIXTYONE INTERVIEWS TODAY. TWO HUNDRED SEVENTYFOUR PENDING.

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Date: 11/13/63

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ATTENTION: CIVIL RIGHTS SECTION
GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION

FROM: SAC, BIRMINGHAM (88-3205)(P)

SUBJECT: [REDACTED] *47*
UFAT - STATE BOMBING MATTERS
(OO-Miami)

RE: Birmingham airtel to Bureau dated 11/9/63.

All offices receiving this communication are requested to expeditiously handle leads and advise Birmingham results by return airtel.

- 4 - Bureau (AM)(RM)
 - (3 - 88-22518)
 - (1 - 157-1025)
- 2 - Atlanta (AM)(RM)
 - (1 - 157-BAPBOMB)
- 2 - Charlotte (88-5374) (AM)(RM)
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 - (1 - 157-BAPBOMB)
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- 4 - Birmingham
 - (2 - 157-352)

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

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- Tolson _____
- Belmont _____
- Mohr _____
- Casper _____
- Callahan _____
- Conrad _____
- DeLoach
- Evans _____
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- Rosen
- Sullivan _____
- Tavel _____
- Trotter _____
- Tele. Room _____
- Holmes _____
- Gandy _____

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Mr. DeLoach
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TO : Mr. Belmont *AB*

DATE: November 13, 1963

FROM : A. Rosen *A*

BAPPBOMB

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS; BOMBING OF
SIXTEENTH STREET BAPTIST CHURCH
BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA, 9/15/63
RACIAL MATTERS

Additional Klan associates of the principal suspects in this case were located and interviewed on 11/12/63. While these individuals furnished no information directly concerned with the bombing investigation, the interviews were of value in increasing pressure on the prime suspects and also resulted in developing considerable Klan intelligence information.

[REDACTED]

We are closely following the activities of [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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1 - Mr. Mohr
1 - Mr. DeLoach

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Re: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS; BOMBING OF
SIXTEENTH STREET BAPTIST CHURCH

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[REDACTED]

In view of this, a successful tracing of the dynamite does not appear probable; however, efforts are continuing in this regard.

ACTION:

You will be kept advised of pertinent developments.

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Mr. Rosen	
Mr. Sullivan	
Mr. Tavel	
Mr. Trotter	
Tele. Room	
Miss Holmes	
Miss Gandy	

M. J. [unclear]
Pete
Lamp
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URGENT 11-12-63 10-23 PM CST GDM

TO DIRECTOR

FROM SAC, BIRMINGHAM /157-352/ 3 P

BAPBOMB, ET AL, DAILY SUMMARY.

*E. I. DU PONT PLANT, BIRMINGHAM, ADVISED DYNAMITE FOUND SUNDAY.

NIGHT OUTSIDE PLANT PREMISES IS IN VERY DECOMPOSED STATE AND HAS BEEN
 IN WEATHER SEVERAL MONTHS BASED ON AMOUNT OF WATER ABSORBED. DUE TO
 LARGE QUANTITY OF THIS TYPE ON HAND IN BULK AND ALREADY PACKAGED AND
 THE LARGE NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES HAVING ACCESS TO SAME, TRACING APPEARS
 IMPROBABLE, HOWEVER, EFFORTS BEING MADE BY COMPANY TO DO SO. FUSES
 ARE FIFTY MILLISECOND DELAY TYPE USED EXCLUSIVELY IN QUARRY BLASTING
 OPERATIONS AND NOT TYPE USED IN ORDINARY DETONATION, THEREFORE SALE OF
 A FEW WOULD NOT APPEAR LIKELY AND BELIEVED THAT PERSON REMOVING FUSES
 MISTOOK THEM FOR THE STANDARD TYPE.

NUMEROUS KLAN ASSOCIATES OF PRINCIPAL SUSPECTS THIS CASE
 INTERVIEWED TODAY TO NO AVAIL AS CONCERNS INFORMATION DIRECTLY
 CONCERNED WITH BAPBOMB, HOWEVER, MUCH KLAN INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION
 DEVELOPED. SPOT SURVEILLANCE OF PRINCIPALS CONTINUES.

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Trans. Room
To [unclear] 11/13/63
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SIXTY SIX INTERVIEWS CONDUCTED TODAY. TWO HUNDRED FORTY FOUR INTERVIEWS PENDING.

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Miss Holmes	_____
Miss Gandy	_____

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TO DIRECTOR
FROM SAC BIRMINGHAM /157-352/ 3P

Lee Johnson

CEAPBOMB, ETAL, DAILY SUMMARY.

P. M. Sullivan

CONFERENCE OF AGENTS SPECIAL SQUAD AND BIRMINGHAM AGENTS HELD
THIS DATE FOR PURPOSES OF RE-EVALUATING PERSONS ON SUSPECT LIST IN
CAPTIONED CASE. IT WAS CONSENSUS OF THOSE PRESENT THAT THE PRIME
SUSPECTS REMAIN ROBERT CHAMBLISS, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

THOSE SUSPECTS RELEGATED TO THE SECONDARY CATEGORY
ARE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] OTHER PERSONS PREVIOUSLY REGARDED AS SUSPECTS BEING
CONSIDERED AS ASSOCIATES OF FOREGOING AND WILL BE KEPT IN MIND WHILE
MAIN INVESTIGATION WILL CENTER AROUND AFORENAMED SUSPECTS.

REMAINDER OF INVESTIGATIVE DAY SPENT IN REVIEWING FILES AND
PREPARING INDIVIDUAL SUMMARY REPORTS REQUESTED BY BUREAU.

MEMBER OF STATE RIGHTS PARTY
[REDACTED]

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Admission to [unclear] 11/14/63
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11/12/63
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[REDACTED] HAVE NOTHING OF IMPORTANCE TO REPORT THIS DATE.

CONTINUED INVESTIGATION REGARDING BURNING OF ST. JAMES METHODIST CHURCH, AUG. SIXTEEN LAST, WARRIOR, ALABAMA, FAILED TO UNCOVER ANY NEW WITNESSES OR EVIDENCE.

FILES REVEAL THAT ON AUG. TEN FIFTYEIGHT, A STATE MEETING WAS HELD OF THE ALABAMA KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC., AT MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA. ATTENDING FROM BIRMINGHAM WERE JACK HOWARD, THOMAS E. BLANTON, SR., ROBERT CHAMBLISS AND OTHERS.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AS PREVIOUSLY REPORTED, ABOVE THREE MEN ARRESTED SEPT. SEVENTEEN, FIFTYEIGHT, FOR SETTING OFF EXPLOSIVES.

END PAGE TWO.

PAGE THREE.

ROBERT CHAMBLISS SAID AT THE MEETING HE WAS WILLING TO SIGN THE
THREE INDIVIDUALS BONDS. INVESTIGATION CONTINUING TO IDENTIFY WHO
PLANNED AND FURNISHED DYNAMITE FOR THIS BOMBING AS MAY BE OF
ASSISTANCE IN CAPTIONED CASE.

INTERVIEWS TODAY FIFTEEN. THREE HUNDRED TWENTYFIVE PENDING.
ONE PCI DASH RAC FILE OPENED.

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Mr. Casper	_____
Mr. Callahan	_____
Mr. Conrad	_____
Mr. DeLoach	_____
Mr. Evans	_____
Mr. Gale	_____
Mr. Rosen	<i>[initials]</i>
Mr. Sullivan	_____
Mr. Tavel	_____
Mr. Trotter	_____
Tele. Room	_____
Miss Holmes	_____
Miss Gandy	_____

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URGENT 11-14-63 9-31 PM CST HEP
TO DIRECTOR
FROM SAC BIRMINGHAM /157-352/ 4P
BAPBOMB, ET AL, DAILY SUMMARY.

FURTHER ATTEMPTS TO TRACE SOURCE OF DYNAMITE USED BY [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] AND ASSOCIATES IN FIFTYEIGHT BOMBING OF NEGRO
RESIDENCE TO NO AVAIL. ADDITIONAL INTERVIEWS CONDUCTED AMONG MEN
WHO WERE MEMBERS AKKKK DURING THAT PERIOD BUT EITHER COULD NOT OR
WOULD NOT FURNISH ANY PERTINENT INFORMATION.

SEVERAL PRESENT AND PAST MEMBERS EASTVIEW KLAVERN NO. THIRTEEN
OF UNITED KLANS AND ASSOCIATES PRIME SUSPECTS THIS CASE INTERVIEWED
TODAY. TWO WERE COOPERATIVE. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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A copy of this communication is designated for Little Rock for administrative purposes inasmuch as SA [REDACTED] is assigned to that office.

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Mr. Conrad	_____
Mr. DeLoach	_____
Mr. Evans	_____
Mr. Gale	_____
Mr. Rosen	_____
Mr. Sullivan	_____
Mr. Tavel	_____
Mr. Trotter	_____
Tele. Room	_____
Miss Holmes	_____
Miss Gandy	_____

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URGENT 11-16-63 7-45 PM CST HEP

TO DIRECTOR

FROM SAC BIRMINGHAM /157-352/ ~~407EX~~ 4P

BAPBOMB, ET AL, DAILY SUMMARY.

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*THESE RESEN-DEMENT
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ADDITIONAL KLAN ASSOCIATES OF PRIME SUSPECTS INTERVIEWED
TO NO AVAIL.

FORTYONE INTERVIEWS CONDUCTED TODAY. TWO HUNDRED THIRTYFIVE
REMAINING.

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8-58 PM OK FBI WA RDR

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

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Mr. Belmont	
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Mr. Casper	
Mr. Callahan	
Mr. Conrad	
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Mr. Evers	
Mr. Gale	
Mr. Rosen	
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Mr. Trotter	
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Miss Holmes	
Miss Gandy	

URGENT 11-7-63 9-50 PM CST HEP

TO DIRECTOR

FROM SAC BIRMINGHAM /157-352/ 6P

BAPBOMB, ETAL, DAILY SUMMARY.

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INVESTIGATION BY MOBILE, OFFICE, TALLASSEE, ALABAMA, TODAY
FIELD TO LOCATE HUDSON CLUTCH PLATE MENTIONED IN YESTERDAY/S TELETYPE.
THEY CHECKED ALL SOURCES TALLASSEE WHERE CLUTCH PLATE COULD HAVE BEEN
DISCARDED TO NO AVAIL. .WILL CHECK OUT SIMILAR PLACES OPELIKA AND
MONTGOMERY TOMORROW. SALESMAN, REBUILT AUTO PARTS, BIRMINGHAM, TO BE
CONTACTED RE THIS MATTER EIGHT AM TOMORROW.

FELTON HENDERSON INCIDENT HEADLINED BIRMINGHAM PAPERS EVENING
NOV SIX AND MORNING NOV SEVEN. BOTH NEWS AND EDITORIALS COMMENTS
EXTREMELY CRITICAL OF JUSTICE DEPARTMENT HANDLING THIS INCIDENT.
BIRMINGHAM NEWS MADE EDITORIAL COMMENT QUOTE IF THE JUSTICE DEPARTMENT
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PAGE SIX.

DOES NOT KNOW WHAT ITS OWN PEOPLE ARE DOING, IN THIS CASE, WHAT CERTAINTY IS THERE THAT IT KNOWS WHAT OTHERS ARE DOING QUESTION MARK END QUOTE . . . QUITE IF IT IS NOT ABLE TO RELY ON WHAT ITS OWN PERSONNEL TELL IT, HOW CAPABLE IS IT IN INQUIRING INTO ACTIVITIES OF OTHERS QUESTION MARK END QUOTE . . . QUOTE EASY ROLLING OF ONE HEAD WILL NOT SILENCE QUESTIONING END QUOTE. . . QUOTE THE JUSTICE DEPARTMENT HAS NOT SATISFACTORILY EXPLAINED HOW THIS KIND OF THING COULD HAVE COME ABOUT IN THE FIRST PLACE, OR ITS INABILITY TO RELY ON ITS OWN PEOPLE. THE JUSTICE DEPARTMENT IS EXPECTED BY ALL CITIZENS TO BE IMMACULATE. IT IS NOT END QUOTE.

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SIXTYSEVEN INTERVIEWS TODAY. THREE HUNDRED FORTYSEVEN PENDING.
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE BOSTON	OFFICE OF ORIGIN BIRMINGHAM	DATE 11/14/63	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 10/29 - 11/8/63
TITLE OF CASE UNSUB; Bombing of 16th Street Baptist Church, 9/15/63, Birmingham, Alabama		REPORT MADE BY SA [REDACTED]	TYPED BY mac
		CHARACTER OF CASE BOMBING MATTERS	

REFERENCES: Birmingham airtels to Director dated 10/4/63 and 10/23/63.
 Birmingham airtel to New Haven dated 9/30/63. (IO)
 New Haven airtel to Boston 10/3/63. (IO)

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ADMINISTRATIVE:

The investigation in Wellesley, Massachusetts was conducted by SA [REDACTED]

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A characterization of "The Thunderbolt" and of the National States Rights Party appears in the appendix of this report.

Referenced Birmingham airtel to New Haven dated September 30, 1963 requested that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] be interviewed and questioned concerning her activities on the night of September 14, 1963 at Birmingham, Alabama.

Referenced New Haven airtel to Boston dated October 3, 1963 advised that [REDACTED] had been employed by [REDACTED]

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On November 8, 1963 [REDACTED] was interviewed at her residence, [REDACTED]

APPENDIX

NATIONAL STATES RIGHTS PARTY (NSRP)

On November 26, 1957, a source advised that the United White Party (UWP) was organized at a convention held in Knoxville, Tennessee, on November 10, 1957. An article in the November 26, 1957 issue of the "Greenville Piedmont," a newspaper of Greenville, South Carolina, reported "the recent formation of a new political party to be known as the United White Party." According to the article, the party was formed at a recently held meeting in Knoxville, Tennessee at which many klansmen were represented. The UWP was reported as being opposed to all "race mixing organizations and individuals."

The July 1958 issue of "The Thunderbolt", self-described as the "official Racial Nationalist Organ of the National States Rights Party" (NSRP) reported that rank and file "States Righters" had merged with the UWP under "the banner of the National States Rights Party," with national offices at Post Office Box 261, Jeffersonville, Indiana.

In November 1958, a source advised that the NSRP is composed of past members of klan-type organizations and notorious anti-Semites.

Issue Number 19, dated June 1960, "The Thunderbolt", announced the address of the headquarters of the NSRP had been changed from Jeffersonville, Indiana to Post Office Box 783, Birmingham, Alabama.

On June 17, 1960 a source advised that Edward R. Fields, the Information Director of the NSRP, is the individual who "runs the NSRP."

"The Thunderbolt" continues to publish articles attacking Negroes and persons of the Jewish faith.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

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TO : Mr. Belmont

DATE: November 13, 1963

FROM : A. Rosen *Ru*

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS; BOMBING OF
SIXTEENTH STREET BAPTIST CHURCH
BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA, 9/15/63
RACIAL MATTERS

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SAC Moore called to advise me that Special Agents [redacted] and [redacted] are to appear in State Court tomorrow, November 14, 1963, in connection with the arrest of one Jerry Dutton by the local police, Oct. 30, 1963.

It is recalled that Agents [redacted] and [redacted] went to the National States Rights Party (NSRP) headquarters in connection with running out a lead in this case and two of Dr. Edward Fields' associates (Fields is head of the NSRP) were at his headquarters where he also maintains a residence. Dutton started a tirade against the two Agents' being communist and generally engaged in the kind of talk which NSRP has put out about Negroes, FBI, and so forth. Dutton was previously arrested for having possession of a gun.

When the Agents inquired as to whether Dr. Fields was available, Dutton started the above tirade and told both of them they were in violation of the trespass laws and they were going to call the local police. The Agents suggested that if they desired to do so this was their prerogative. After waiting for some time the police came. Dr. Fields also entered his home and the Agents were in a position to hear Dutton call the police, at which time Dutton advised the police that there were two communists at the house and they wanted these fellows arrested for trespass. When the police arrived, Dutton was arrested for making a false call to the police department furnishing false information. The Agents were in a position to clearly indicate that they heard Dutton make the call and would be glad to testify to this and so advised the local police department. The Agents, of course, acted properly, stood their ground, and were not pushed around by a couple of psychopathic punks. The fact that it ended up that Dutton was arrested indicates that the proper action was taken.

This case will be heard tomorrow, November 14, 1963, and the Agents will testify that they were at Fields' home in connection with an official inquiry and will relate the incidents which occurred above.

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Memorandum to Mr. Belmont
Re: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS; BOMBING OF
SIXTEENTH STREET BAPTIST CHURCH
BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA, 9/15/63

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It has also been learned that a lawyer representing Dutton, one Matt Murphy, apparently has taken Dutton, James Warner, Dr. Fields, and Estora Malone (Dr. Fields' secretary) to local Clerk of the Court where a complaint apparently has been sworn out charging the two Agents, [redacted] and [redacted] with "trespass after warning" and "disorderly conduct." This apparently is an attempt on their part to take retributive action against the two Agents. They have not been served. It appears that tomorrow they probably will be served with this complaint when they appear in local court. *43*

This matter will be taken up with the United States Attorney in the event the Agents are served and steps will be taken to get this case into Federal Court. You will be advised of further developments.

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COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

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URGENT 11-17-63 7-18 PM CST HEP
TO DIRECTOR
FROM SAC BIRMINGHAM /157-352/ 3P
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ASTERISK INFORMANTS REPORTED MUCH ACTIVITY OVER THE WEEKEND BUT NOTHING OF SPECIFIC IMPORTANCE AS RELATES TO CAPTIONED INVESTIGATION. [REDACTED]

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LOCAL NEWSPAPERS, BIRMINGHAM AND VICINITY, CONTINUE TO CASTIGATE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE FOR ACTIVITIES OF THEIR REPRESENTATIVE AT SELMA AND DEPARTMENT/S ATTEMPTS TO CONCEAL TRUE FACTS FROM PUBLIC. IT IS CONSENSUS OF THE QUOTE MAN ON THE STREET END QUOTE, AS WELL AS THE QUOTE RUN OF THE MILL END QUOTE POLICE OFFICER, THAT WERE IT NOT FOR THE FACT MR. HOOVER HEADS UP THE FBI, THAT IT WOULD HAVE
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BEEN CONTAMINATED THROUGH THE PRESENT ADMINISTRATION. THEY FEEL, HOWEVER, WHILE THE PRESENT ADMINISTRATION HAS ENDEAVORED TO INFLUENCE THE ACTIONS OF THE FBI IN CURRENT RACIAL DIFFICULTIES, MR. HOOVER HAS BEEN ABLE TO CURRENTLY WITHSTAND, AS IN THE PAST, POLITICAL INTERFERENCE.

TWENTYTWO INTERVIEWS CONDUCTED TODAY. TWO HUNDRED THIRTYTWO REMAINING.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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TO : Mr. Belmont *Wave*

DATE: November 14, 1963

FROM : A. Rosen *R*

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS; BOMBING OF
SIXTEENTH STREET BAPTIST CHURCH,
BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA, 9/15/63
RACIAL MATTER

BAPBOMB

M. Stew
Rosen

The trial in state court of Jerry Dutton, National States Rights Party (NSRP) member, on the charge of making a false trespass complaint to the Birmingham Police Department against Special Agents [redacted] and [redacted] on 10/30/63, which was scheduled for 11/14/63, has been postponed until 12/5/63. The false charge was made against the Agents when they visited NSRP headquarters in connection with running out a lead in this case.

The matter involving the complaints charging Special Agents [redacted] and [redacted] with trespass and disorderly conduct on 10/30/63, which were signed by Dutton, James Warner, Dr. Edward Fields and Estora Malone, Fields' secretary, on 11/13/63 at the direction of NSRP Attorney Matt Murphy, has also been scheduled for hearing on 12/5/63. Assistant U. S. Attorney Macey Taylor, Birmingham, Alabama, is studying this matter and will confer with City Attorney William Thompson to determine if it should be submitted for a directed verdict in state court or transferred to Federal court for appropriate disposition.

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- 1 - Mr. Mohr
- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Evans

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Memorandum to Mr. Belmont
Re: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS; BOMBING OF
SIXTEENTH STREET BAPTIST CHURCH

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Numerous other interviews of acquaintances and associates of the principal suspects in this case were continued on 11/13/63; however, no other pertinent information was obtained.

ACTION:

You will be kept advised of pertinent developments.

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NOV 15 1963

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URGENT 11-15-63 9-11 PM CST HEP

TO DIRECTOR

FROM SAC BIRMINGHAM /157-352/ 4P

BAPBOMB, ETAL, DAILY SUMMARY.

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ADDITIONAL SEARCH FOR HUDSON CLUTCH
ASSEMBLY UNPRODUCTIVE.

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*From to Belmont
memo 11/16/63*
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cc: Lavin

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ASTERISK INFORMANTS REPORTED NOTHING OF SIGNIFICANCE THIS DATE.

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APPROPRIATE

LOCAL OFFICIALS ADVISED.

SEVERAL PAST AND PRESENT KLANSMEN WHO WERE CONSIDERED TO BE
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PAGE FOUR.

ASSOCIATES OF PRIME SUSPECTS INTERVIEWED TODAY, HOWEVER, NOTHING UNUSUAL DEVELOPED FROM THIS PROJECT.

SIXTYONE INTERVIEWS CONDUCTED TODAY. TWO HUNDRED FORTYTHREE REMAINING.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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TO : Mr. Belmont

DATE: November 16, 1963

FROM : A. Rosen *AR*

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS;
BOMBING OF SIXTEENTH
STREET BAPTIST CHURCH
BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA
9/15/63.
RACIAL MATTERS

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- 1 - Mr. Mohr
- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Evans

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Memorandum to Mr. Belmont
RE: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS;
BOMBING OF SIXTEENTH
STREET BAPTIST CHURCH

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Numerous other interviews of Klansmen, acquaintances and associates of the principal suspects in this case were conducted on November 15, 1963, however, no pertinent information was obtained.

ACTION:

You will be kept advised of pertinent developments.

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Date: 11/12/63

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-1025)
ATTENTION: IDENTIFICATION DIVISION
LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION
Latent Case Number 45563

FROM: SAC, BIRMINGHAM (157-352)(P)

SUBJECT: BAPBOMB

RE: Bureau letter dated 11/7/63. *b7c*

The Identification Division is requested to compare the fingerprints of [redacted] Birmingham Police Department Number [redacted] against the two latent fingerprints in the case entitled "UNKNOWN SUBJECT; Attempted Bombing of Temple Beth-El Jewish Synagog, 21st Way and Highland Avenue, Birmingham, Alabama, 4/28/58," Bureau File 100-135, Latent Case Number 15226, and advise Birmingham the results.

- ④ - Bureau (AM)
- 2 - Birmingham

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Approved: _____ Sent _____ M Per _____

Special Agent in Charge

11-13-63
JRB: SPL

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Washington, D. C. 20537



REPORT

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LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION

Identification Division

YOUR FILE NO.
FBI FILE NO. **REC-31 157-352**
LATENT CASE NO. **157-1025**
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November 15, 1963

EX-116

TO: **SAC, Birmingham**

RE: **BAPBOMB**

REFERENCE: **Airtel 11/12/63**
EXAMINATION REQUESTED BY: **Birmingham**
SPECIMENS:

42c

The fingerprints of [redacted] are not identical with the latent fingerprints in the case entitled "Unknown Subject; Attempted Bombing of Temple Beth-El Jewish Synagogue, 21st Way and Highland Avenue, Birmingham, Alabama, 4-28-58," Bufile #100-135.

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John Edgar Hoover, Director

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FBI File No: 157-1025

Latent Case No: 45563

Answer to: SAC, BIRMINGHAM

Examination requested by: Addressee

Copy to:

RE: BAPBOMB

Date of reference communication:

airtel 11-12 63

Specimens:

Compare fingerprints of [redacted] Birmingham Police Department [redacted] with latents developed in case entitled, "UNKNOWN SUBJECT; ATTEMPTED BOMBING OF TEMPLE BETH-EL JEWISH SYNAGOGUE, 21ST WAY AND HIGHLAND AVENUE, BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA 4-28-58," BuFile 100-135, LC # 15226.

SYNAGOGUE

Result of examination:

Examination by: [redacted]

Evidence noted by: [redacted]

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Latent fpts Temple Beth-El case
not ident fpts [redacted] 11/14

Examination completed: 2:00 PM

Time Date

Dictated: 11-14-63

Date

11-15-63

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MEMORANDUM

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI
ATTENTION: IDENTIFICATION DIVISION

DATE: 11/5/63

FROM : SAC, KNOXVILLE (157-189) (P)

SUBJECT: BAPBOME

Re Bureau airtel to Knoxville and Birmingham October 25, 1963.

Submitted herewith is a list of six individuals all either present or past members of the DK, KKK, Inc., Chattanooga, Tennessee, and all, at one time or another, have been listed as bomb suspects by the Knoxville Division.

The FBI Identification Division is requested to locate fingerprints of the above individuals and compare their prints with the latent fingerprints recovered in connection with the attempted bombing of the Jewish Temple Beth-El, Birmingham, Alabama, April 28, 1958, in accordance with instructions in referenced communication.

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A review of information regarding other known members or former members of the DK, KKKK, Inc. is being conducted by the Knoxville Division, and other possible individuals to be considered in connection with Bureau request in referenced communication will be reviewed. Efforts will be made on any names selected, to obtain identifying data and efforts to locate fingerprints on each to be compared with the latent prints on file at the Bureau.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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REPORT

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LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION

Identification Division

YOUR FILE NO.
FBI FILE NO. **REC-47 157-133**
LATENT CASE NO. **157-1025 - 653**
45363

November 15, 1963

TO: **SAC, Knoxville**

RE: **BAPDOMB**

REFERENCE:
EXAMINATION REQUESTED BY **101105 11-5-63**
SPECIMENS: **Knoxville**

The latent fingerprints in the case entitled "Unsub.; Attempted Bombing of Temple Beth - El Jewish Synagogue, 21st Way and Highland Ave., Birmingham, Ala., 4/23/69." Bufile #100-135 are not identical with the fingerprints of [redacted] and the fingerprints of the other five individuals named in Urict.

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Answer to: SAC, KNOXVILLE

Examination requested by: Addressee

Copy to: Birmingham.

RE: BAPBOMB

Date of reference communication: 11-5-63 letter

Specimens:

Named suspects:



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Result of examination:

Examination by: Burke

Evidence noted by:

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Mr. Belmont *al*

DATE: November 15, 1963

FROM : A. Rosen *Am*

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS; BOMBING OF SIXTEENTH STREET BAPTIST CHURCH BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA, 9/15/63 RACIAL MATTERS

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On the recommendation of Assistant U. S. Attorney Macey Taylor, Special Agents [redacted] and [redacted] met with Chief of Police Jamie Moore, Birmingham, Alabama, 11/14/63, to accept service of the warrants issued for them based on the complaints signed by Dr. Edward R. Fields and other members of the National States Rights Party (NSRP) charging the Agents with trespass and disorderly conduct on 10/30/63. Chief Moore noted on the warrants that the Agents are bound on their personal recognizance to make their appearance for a hearing on 12/5/63. Mr. Taylor has under consideration the filing of a motion to remove this matter to Federal court for disposition.

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The efforts of Murphy and Fields in this regard have been hindered by the delayed date of Dutton's hearing, which was postponed from 11/14/63 to 12/5/63, and will be further blocked by having the matter concerning the Agents transferred to Federal Court.

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- 1 - Mr. Mohr
- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Evans

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Memorandum to Mr. Belmont
Re: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS; BOMBING OF
SIXTEENTH STREET BAPTIST CHURCH

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[REDACTED] the NSRP Attorney, has been characterized by fellow attorneys as "run-of-the-mill" with a predominantly criminal and divorce practice. He is separated from his wife and is reputed to be a heavy drinker. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] They have agreed to submit to polygraph examination. Numerous other present and past members of the Eastview Klavern were also interviewed on 11/14/63, but furnished no information of value.

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Further attempts to trace the source of dynamite used by [REDACTED] and two associates in the Alabama Klans in a 1958 bombing in Birmingham were made on 11/14/63, but no information of value was developed. This inquiry, which has included interviews of individuals who were members of the Alabama Klans during that period, is continuing in an effort to determine if the source of the dynamite used in 1958 bombing is involved in the recent Birmingham bombings.

ACTION:

You will be kept advised of pertinent developments.

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Mr. Mohr	_____
Mr. Casper	_____
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Mr. Conrad	_____
Mr. DeLoach	_____
Mr. Evans	_____
Mr. Gale	_____
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TO DIRECTOR /157-1025/

FROM SAC BIRMINGHAM /157-352/ 2P

○ BAPBOMB, ET AL. DAILY SUMMARY.

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SEVERAL MEMBERS, TUSCALOOSA KLAVERN NUMBER FIVE, UNITED KLANS OF AMERICA, INC., KKKK, INTERVIEWED THIS DATE CONCERNING BAPBOMB AND SINGLE STICKS OF DYNAMITE EXPLODED TUSCALOOSA OVER WEEKEND. ALL DENY KNOWLEDGE OF BOTH. ADDITIONAL INTERVIEWS OF TUSCALOOSA KLAVERN MEMBERS AS WELL AS BERRY KLAVERN PENDING. ASTERISK INFORMANTS REPORTED NOTHING OF IMPORTANCE CONCERNING BAPBOMB DURING PAST TWENTYFOUR HOURS.

CI/S AND PCI/S, WHILE ACTIVE, WERE UNABLE TO OBTAIN ANY INFORMATION OF SIGNIFICANCE.

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TO : Mr. Belmont

DATE: 11/6/63

FROM : A. ROSEN *ARW*

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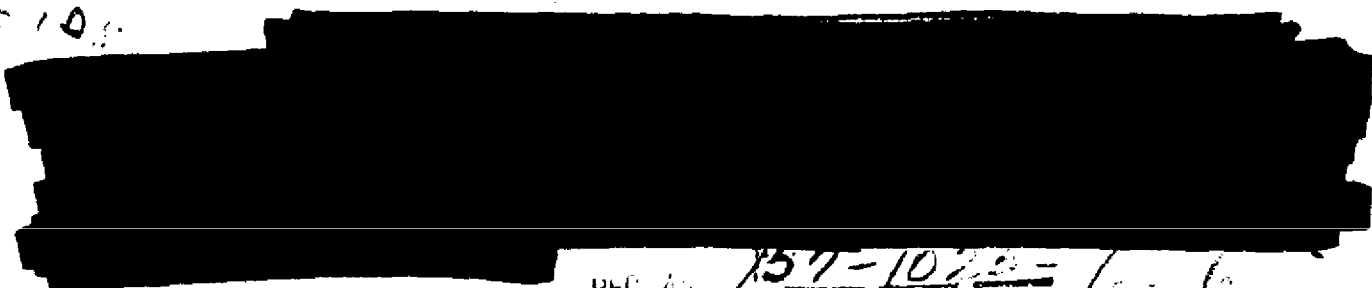
SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS; BOMBING OF SIXTEENTH STREET BAPTIST CHURCH, BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA, 9/15/63 BOMBING MATTERS

In connection with the instant investigation, the assignment of personnel is being re-evaluated as developments occur. In this regard, we have released five Special Agents and based on the present workload, it is possible to release an additional five by the close of business this week. One of the five was released yesterday in view of a subpoena and he is not being returned to this assignment but will return to his office of assignment.

Four of the eight clerical personnel have been released to their respective offices. This will be carefully examined in the next ten-day period and further recommendations will be made with reference to the personnel presently assigned. It is noted that we have reduced our Special Agent personnel by approximately thirty per cent and have reduced our clerical personnel on special assignment by fifty per cent. In view of the continuing activity, no further reduction can be made; however, this will be re-evaluated within a ten-day period and appropriate recommendations will be submitted to the Director.

One avenue which appears to be productive of results may be forthcoming following the plan to submit to the local authorities any possible local violations. This could have a salutary effect on several of the suspects which so far are aware of our interest in them but who have as yet not broken.

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- 1 - Mr. Mohr
- 1 - Mr. DeLoach

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Memorandum to Mr. Belmont
RE: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS; BOMBING OF
SIXTEENTH STREET BAPTIST CHURCH

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Another possible local violation being pursued vigorously at this time is the investigation relating to the information that another suspect [REDACTED]

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We are trying to get corroboration of this attack and appropriate steps are being taken to this end. It is possible that this could be prosecuted by local authorities, and if sufficient information is developed, it will be presented at the appropriate time.

This type of activity will be continued as well as any other means of inquiry in order to continue to maintain a constant awareness in the minds of all suspects that this matter is being pursued. We have repeated instances where this type of activity is showing its effect and some of the individuals are becoming emotionally upset because of it which would indicate that this is one of the effective approaches which we are presently utilizing.

see memo
11/7/58

RECOMMENDATION:

If approved by the Director, it is planned to have the additional five Agents (inclusive of the Agent released yesterday) return to their office of assignment by the close of business this week. The matter of personnel will be re-evaluated within ten days and appropriate recommendations submitted. If circumstances change in the meantime, you will be immediately advised.

see memo
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. Belmont *W*

DATE: November 18, 1963

FROM : A. Rosen *R*

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS;
BOMBING OF SIXTEENTH
STREET BAPTIST CHURCH
BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA
SEPTEMBER 15, 1963
BOMBING MATTERS

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- 1 - Mr. Mohr
- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Evans

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Memorandum for Mr. Belmont
RE: BAPBOMB



Numerous other interviews of acquaintances and associates of the principal suspects in this case were conducted on 11/16 & 17/63; however, no pertinent information was obtained.

ACTION

You will be kept advised of pertinent developments.

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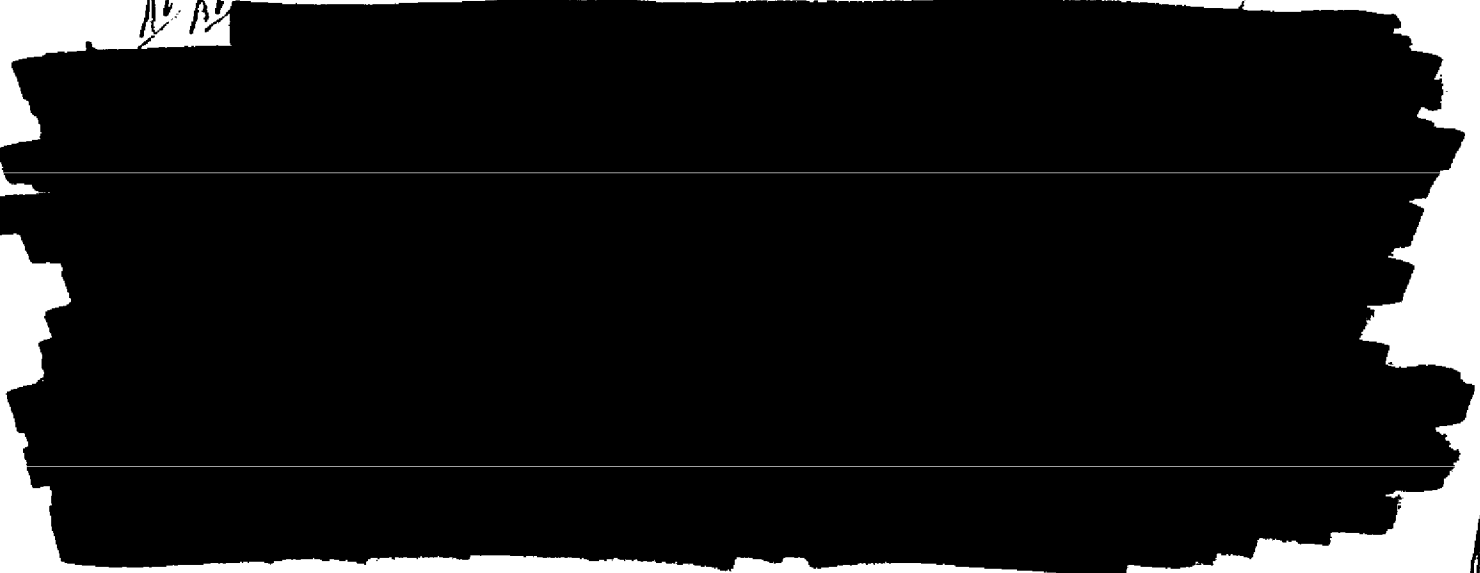
TO : Mr. Belmont *also* DATE: November 20, 1963

FROM : A. Rosen

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS;
BOMBING OF SIXTEENTH
STREET BAPTIST CHURCH
BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA
SEPTEMBER 15, 1963
BOMBING MATTERS

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Members of the Berry, Alabama, and Tuscaloosa, Alabama, Klaverns of the United Klans of America, Inc., were interviewed on 11/19/63. Although no information was developed concerning the Birmingham bombings, considerable intelligence data was developed regarding the past activities of these two Klaverns.

Numerous other interviews were conducted on 11/19/63; however, no pertinent information was obtained.

ACTION:

You will be kept advised of developments.

- 1 - Mr. Mohr
- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Evans

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TO : Mr. Belmont *Mohr*

DATE: November 19, 1963 *R*

FROM : A. Rosen *R*

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SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS;
BOMBING OF SIXTEENTH
STREET BAPTIST CHURCH
BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA
SEPTEMBER 15, 1963
BOMBING MATTERS

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... will be recalled that these three individuals were members of the Birmingham Klavern, Alabama Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, as of July, 1958, and that Robert E. Chambliss, a prime suspect in this case, was also a member of this Klan.

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- 1 - Mr. Mohr
- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Evans

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Memorandum for Mr. Belmont
RE: BAPBOMB

Several members of Klavern #5 of the United Klans of America, Inc., which is located at Tuscaloosa, Alabama, were interviewed 11/18/63. All persons interviewed denied any knowledge of captioned matter.

Numerous other interviews were conducted on 11/18/63; however, no pertinent information was obtained.

ACTION:

You will be kept advised of developments.

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COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

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Mr. Tolson	✓
Mr. Belmont	✓
Mr. Mohr	✓
Mr. Casper	✓
Mr. Callahan	✓
Mr. Conrad	✓
Mr. DeLoach	✓
Mr. Evans	✓
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TO DIRECTOR /157-1025/

FROM SAC BIRMINGHAM /157-352/ 4P

BAPBOMB, ET AL.

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ADDITIONAL MEMBERS OF TUSCALOOSA AND BERRY KLAVERNS INTERVIEWED TODAY AND ALL WERE COOPERATIVE. NOTHING SPECIFIC FURNISHED HOWEVER, EITHER ABOUT BAPBOMB OR PAST MILITANT ACTIVITY.

FIFTYSIX INTERVIEWS TODAY, ONE HUNDRED NINETY PENDING.

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