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[REDACTED] that, as of that time, Stanley Levison was a secret member of the Communist Party, United States of America.

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Hunter Pitts O'Dell, who is also known as Jack O'Dell, was formerly employed as Administrator for the SCLC office in New York City, but his services were terminated after his Communist Party affiliations had received publicity.

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The "New York Herald Tribune" issue of August 14, 1963, page 7, column 1, contains an article captioned "Thurmond Assails A Leader of March". The article stated that, in answer to charges by Senator Strom Thurmond, Bayard Rustin admitted joining the Young Communist League (YCL) in 1936. Rustin also reportedly stated that he broke completely with the YCL in June, 1941.

The YCL has been designated pursuant to Executive Order 10450:

The "Daily Worker", issue of February 25, 1957, page 1, column 1, contained an article which stated that Bayard Rustin, Executive Secretary, War Resisters League, was one of eight non-communist observers at the Communist Party National Convention in 1957.

The "Daily Worker" was an East Coast Communist newspaper which suspended publication on January 13, 1958.

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STANLEY DAVID LEVISON
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Levison's name is included in the Security
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(U.S.D.C., D.C.) CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 76-1185

SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC)
V. CLARENCE M. KELLEY, ET AL (U.S.D.C., D.C.)
CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 76-1186

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

Mr. W. C. Sullivan

April 26, 1964

Mr. F. J. Baumgardner

1 - Mr. Rosen
1 - Mr. Sullivan
1 - Mr. Bland
1 - Mr. Baumgardner
1 - [REDACTED]

COMMUNIST PARTY - USA
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INTERNAL SECURITY - COMMUNIST

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[REDACTED] furnished information concerning a conversation between Stanley Levison and Clarence Jones the night of 4/24/64 relating to Martin Luther King's press release of 4/23/64 attacking the Director's budget testimony on communist influence in racial matters. The conversation was in extremely guarded language as a result of which our analysis of its true meaning must necessarily be very speculative. We are able to make these speculations only because of our prior knowledge of what the King camp intended doing. My memoranda to you 4/21, 23, 24/64 informed of advice given to King by Levison and Jones that King must not remain silent after the 4/15/64 Joseph Alsop article expressing King's communist connections. King instructed an associate, Walter Fauntroy, to see Burke Marshall on 4/22/64 concerning the matter. Then, after the 4/21/64 release of the Director's budget testimony, the King camp decided on a public response by King in the form of a press release which would attack both the Director's testimony and the Alsop article.

The Levison-Jones conversation 4/24/64 contained the following: Jones said that King's release on both the article and Hoover's statement is being widely publicized in Californian newspapers. Levison commented that Hoover did not directly relate to the article. Jones said, "No, but statement was a broad statement." (Apparently relating to King's release). Levison asked if statement was a disavowal of connections (apparent reference to King's communist connections). Jones said, "Yes.. and placing the issue within the context of the movement, particularly as relates to unsolved bombings, etc." (It is noted that King's release ends with a criticism of the Bureau's alleged failures in bombing investigations). Levison and Jones agreed that King's release was a real head-on attack,

Levison asked if King had talked to anybody and Jones answered, "Through a representative." (This could well refer to Fauntroy acting for King). Levison asked the result and Jones replied, "That discussion felt it was important to make a statement... just as we had indicated

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Re: COMMUNIST PARTY - USA
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earlier, that the failure to do anything was devastating." Levison asked if any hostility was encountered and Jones said, "No." (Apparently meaning that Marshall was friendly to Fauntroy if such contact actually took place). Levison next noted that the "Albany" article indicated that the Administration is disappointed in King and Levison inquired, "What is the Administration from which the disappointment emanates?" Jones replied, "After an explanation was given for the reasons for the limited contact during the transition period, it was apparently accepted in good faith." (This expression by Jones dovetails with our earlier information that Fauntroy was to tell Marshall that there had been some limited King-Levison contacts but only relating to a transition period of the New York office of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference).

Levison asked concerning the contact made by a King emissary, "Was it a high enough level to feel that both the acceptance of the Fauntroy explanation and the recommendation that he say something?" Jones replied, "At previous levels," to which Levison said, "This sounds good... I'm glad," and that now they were not in the position of being guilty by silence.

OBSERVATIONS:

It is obvious that the above-reported conversation is extremely guarded to the point of being unclear to an outsider. However, we can speculate that Jones and Levison are referring either to some person high in the Administration not known to us at this moment or to Burke Marshall who is known to us as being involved in the King matter. Whoever it was apparently agreed with the idea of King's press release. We will remain particularly alert through our sources covering the key individuals for any information which will positively establish the identity of the person to whom Jones and Levison alluded.

RECOMMENDATION:

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COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN
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(OO: NY)

Re Bureau airtel to NY, 5/7/64 and NY airtel
to Bureau, 5/4/64, with enclosed letterhead memorandum.

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are 8 copies
of page 4, which should be attached to letterhead memorandum
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DATE: 4/29/64

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (100-111180)

SUBJECT: STANLEY DAVID LEVISON
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On 4/15/64, the "New York Herald Tribune", a New York City daily newspaper, page 28, carried a column attributed to JOSEPH ALSOP. In it, ALSOP reports that despite the American Communist Party's feebleness and disarray, its agents are beginning to infiltrate certain sectors of the Negro civil rights movement".

ALSOP notes that the subject of the real-head shaking in Washington is MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. He (King) has accepted and is almost certainly still accepting Communist collaboration and even Communist advice, ALSOP notes.

Continuing, ALSOP reported that in 1962-1963, the issue of the Communists' role in the KING organization was raised because of HUNTER PITTS O'DELL, who he said had held posts in KING'S organization; however, O'DELL was finally dropped when KING was warned by the United States Government officials he was the "genuine Communist article".

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"Official warnings have again been given to KING about another, even more important associate who is known to be a key figure in the covert apparatus of the Communist Party. After the warnings, KING broke off his open connections with this man, but a second hand connection none the less continues," ALSOP reports. ~~SECRET~~

On 4/17/64, [REDACTED] advised that CLARENCE JONES and MARTIN LUTHER KING conferred on that date. JONES told KING that he had talked with STANLEY LEVISON, who related that he had read the ALSOP column, and had concluded that he (LEVISON) was the individual referred to in the article of ALSOP.

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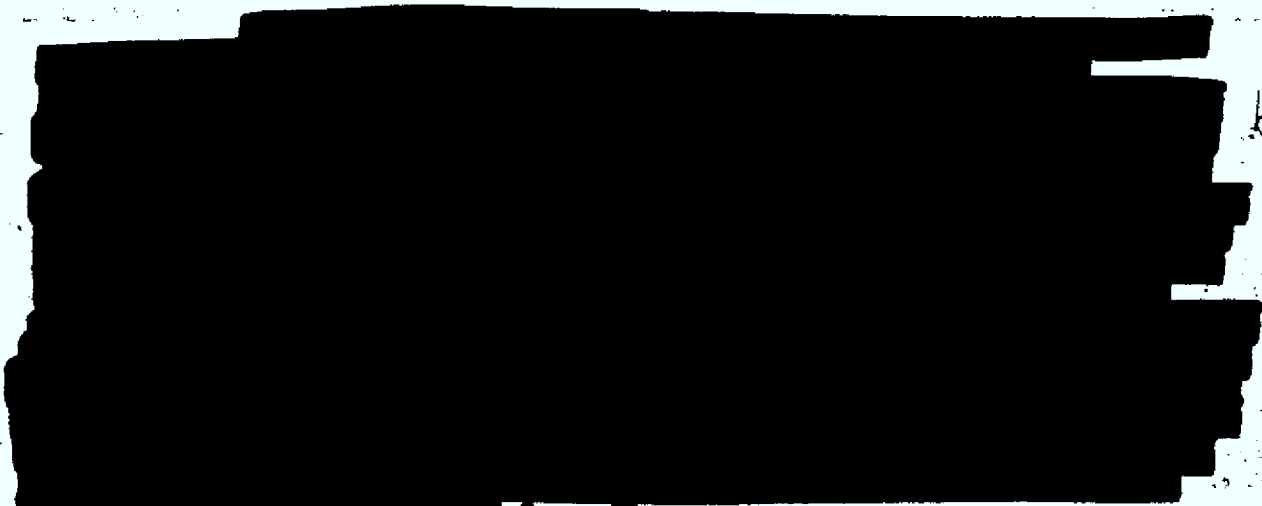
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Re: Stanley David Levison

Stanley David Levison was born May 2, 1912, at New York City. He attended college at the University of Michigan, Columbia University and St. John's School of Law, New York City and received LL.B and LL.M degrees. His first marriage was annulled and he remarried July 4, 1943. He resides at 585 West End Avenue, New York City, and is self-employed as an attorney, real estate operator and businessman with offices at 6 East 39th Street, New York City.

Levison is described as five feet, seven inches tall and he weighs 175 pounds. He has brown hair and eyes and wears glasses. He has a fair complexion, stocky build and a one and one half inch scar on the left side of his back.



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FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (100-151548)
SUBJECT: CPUSA
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COMMUNIST INFLUENCE
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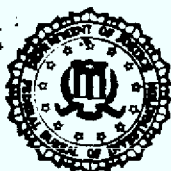
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Re: Communist Party,
United States of America -
Negro Question
Communist Influence in
Racial Matters
Internal Security - C

A confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on April 24, 1964, that Stanley Levison and Clarence Jones conferred on that date. The conference, according to the source, concerned Adele Kanter (employee of New York Southern Christian Leadership Conference) among other things. In that regard, Levison told Jones that he did not know that he had seen Adele Kanter and instructed her to talk to him (Levison). Levison said he invited Kanter to dinner, at which time he learned what Jones had said to her.

It is to be noted that on April 23, 1964, another confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that Clarence Jones and Martin Luther King conferred on that date. Jones told King that he had instructed Adele Kanter how to conduct herself in relationship with Stanley (Levison) and not to see Stanley (Levison) at all except in case of extreme emergency. Also, that she was told to call him (Jones)

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if she felt it necessary to talk to Stanley (Levison)
and that he, Jones, would make the final decision.

According to the first source, Levison told Jones there was a "certain sort of moneyness (ph) about what to do in connection with some questions that will come up, as it is a complex operation." Levison said he had a suggestion he thought would solve it since it "can't be solved in the old way." He told Jones that his friend (Jones') Saul Mills, was the "guy" to meet her. Levison indicated that the purpose of the contact was to set up a relationship with Mills so that Adele Kanter could call on him. He said all that she needed was "somebody to lean on who has some judgment in these areas, with an expert background of it so she can call easily and discuss lists, et cetera."

Jones said he was planning to have lunch with Mills on Wednesday, (April 27, 1964) and, therefore, could invite Kanter. Levison urged Jones to invite her so that she would not become discouraged and founder.

In conclusion, Jones said they (Atlanta Southern Christian Leadership Conference) are pleased with Kanter and added that Levison's suggestion was very good.

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Clarence Jones is the General Counsel
for the Gandhi Society for Human Rights,
15 East 40th Street, New York, New York.

A confidential source, who has furnished
reliable information in the past,
advised on February 26, 1957, that he
had identified a photograph of Clarence
Jones as a person whom he knew during
late 1953 or early 1954 to be a member
of or in a position of leadership in the
Labor Youth League (LYL). *SLU*

The LYL has been designated pursuant
to Executive Order 10450.

A confidential source, who has
furnished reliable information
in the past, advised in May, 1950,
that Saul Mills was one of those
persons whom he knew to be a concealed
Communist.

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On June 29, 1950, the same confidential source advised that during the 1940s up until 1945, he knew Saul Mills personally as a member of the CP.

On May 28, 1956, a confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that she knew Saul Mills as a member of the Communist Party all through the period 1938 - 1947. The source stated that Mills had been one of the most important persons in the CP and could be considered on the level with William Z. Foster (who was Chairman of the CP, USA during this period). The source further advised that she attended literally hundreds of meetings of the CP at which Saul Mills was present, as well as hundreds of trade union meetings run by the Communist Party. In respect to Saul Mill's knowledge of the CP nature of these meetings, the source stated that there is no question but that Mills was cognizant at the time they were official meetings of the CP. The source stated that she observed Saul Mills in 1944 at a meeting called by the National Committee of the Communist Party and observed him at a meeting of top functionaries of the CP held following the 1944 convention, at which time Mills delivered a speech. ~~X~~

On May 25, 1956, a confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that in the late 1930s and early 1940s, Saul Mills was looked upon by the CP as being a highly trustworthy person and one whose word could be accepted and acted upon with respect to action the CP might take in regard to discipline cases involving individuals known to Mills.

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(OO: NY)

ReNY teletypes to Bureau dated 6/27 and 28/64.

Enclosed are eight copies of a letterhead memorandum, captioned and dated as above. Two copies are enclosed for Memphis; one copy for New Orleans and one copy for Atlanta.

The sources who furnished the information reported in the letterhead memorandum were [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] in that order.

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The files of the NYO were reviewed regarding WILLIAM HIGGS and ALFRED BINGHAM, but failed to disclose identifiable subversive information with these persons.

SA [REDACTED] conducted a physical surveillance in the vicinity of STANLEY LEVISON on 6/26/64, but failed to observe CLARENCE JONES. b7C

This letterhead memorandum has been classified "Secret" because it contains information from [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]. These sources have furnished highly sensitive information with respect to the racial situation in the New York area and the Communist infiltration thereof, and it is felt that this classification is necessary in order not to jeopardize the valuable position of these informants in furnishing information of this nature. b2
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In the event information is received as to JONES travel plans, interested offices will be advised.

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A confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on June 27, 1964, that Stanley Levison conferred with Clarence Jones on that date. Levison said he wanted to inform Jones that "our friends" felt that the only way the Mississippi thing (case of the missing civil rights workers) could be solved was through the use of a "stool pigeon". Continuing, Levison said, "we" all know that a "stool pigeon" will not go to the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) with information, and that Mississippi Police authorities do not want any information. Levison continued:

"Our plan is to offer ten thousand dollars to some person well known in Mississippi, even if this person is a segregationist, to give to some "stool pigeon" for information on the missing civil rights people."

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Levison said "we" feel that William Higgs, who is now a lawyer in Washington, D.C., is the right person to make this offer as Higgs was a civil rights lawyer in Mississippi before he was forced to leave the state. Levison indicated that Higgs would most likely know a "stool pigeon" who would talk for money.

Levison said "we" felt that it must be someone like Jones who should approach Higgs.

Jones told Levison that he had a better idea, which he related as follows:

"Alfred Bingham, Jonathan Bingham's brother (reform Democratic candidate who defeated Congressman William Buckley in recent Bronx New York primary)" contacted him recently to find out the political leanings of the Council of Federated Organizations (COFO) group of which Jonathan Bingham's daughter is a member, because Jonathan was concerned about her membership becoming a political issue.

Jones related that during his conversation with Alfred Bingham, Bingham mentioned that a close friend of his was a judge in Jackson, Mississippi, and a member of the White Citizens Council in that city. Jones said it might be a good idea to contact him (the Judge) about this idea.

Levison said Jones' plan sounded good to him and that he would let "our friends" know about it right away, but added that Jones must remain in the picture. Jones indicated that the judge in Jackson known to Alfred Bingham was a law school friend of Bingham's.

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Has been removed and placed in the Special File Room of Records Branch.

See File 66-2554-7530 for authority.

Subject JUNE MAIL Stanley Levison

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To: SAC, New York (100-111180)

From: Director, FBI (100-392452)

STANLEY DAVID LEVISON
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Submit up-to-date report to reach Bureau
without fail on or before October 15, next.

NOTE:

Levison's name included in Security Index.

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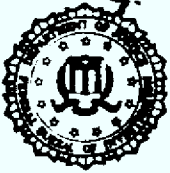
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

New York, New York

September 29, 1964

In Reply, Please Refer to

File No. BUfile 100-392452
 NYfile 100-111180

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SUBJECT:

STANLEY DAVID LEVISON

REFERENCE:

Memorandum dated 4/30/64.

Referenced communication contained subject's residence and/or employment address. A recent change has been determined and is being set forth below (change only specified):

Residence:

Employment:

Park Management Company, Realtors and
 Attorney, 1841 Broadway, New York, N.Y.

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Memorandum

TO : Director, FBI (Bufile- 100-392452)

DATE: 9/29/64

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (100-111180)

SUBJECT: STANLEY DAVID LEVISON
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☐ It is recommended that a Security Index Card be prepared on the above-captioned individual.

☒ The Security Index Card on the captioned individual should be changed as follows (specify change only):

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<input type="checkbox"/> Communist	<input type="checkbox"/> Socialist Workers Party	<input type="checkbox"/> Independent Socialist League
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Date of Birth	Place of Birth	
Business Address (show name of employing concern and address) room 1106, 1841 Broadway, New York, New York		
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Residence Address		

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**SUBJECT: CIRM
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The source furnishing the information in the letterhead memorandum was [REDACTED]

SAS [REDACTED] observed LEVISON and JONES enter 1841 Broadway, New York City.

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 (1 - 100-392452) (STANLEY LEVISON)
 2 - Atlanta (100-6670) (Encls. 2) (Info) (RM)
 (1 - 100-5718) (COMINFIL SCLC)
 1 - New York (100-111180) (STANLEY LEVISON) (42)
 1 - New York (100-73250) (CLARENCE JONES) (42)
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NY 100-153735

This letterhead memorandum is classified "Secret" because it contains information from [REDACTED] a source who has furnished reliable information of a sensitive nature about the race situation in the New York area, and the Communist infiltration thereof. In light of this, it is felt that this classification is necessary to protect the source.

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1 - [REDACTED]
1 - [REDACTED]

To: SACs New York (100-153735)
Atlanta (100-6670)

From: Director, FBI (100-442529)

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Atlanta airtel 10/7/64, copy to New York, reports that King is to arrive in New York City 8:44 p.m., 10/10/64, and will remain there until departure for St. Louis, Missouri, 10/12/64. He may stay at either the Savoy Hilton or the Astor Summit Hotel.

- 1 - 100-106670 (King)
- 1 - 100-392452 (Levison)

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REPORTING OFFICE NEW YORK	OFFICE OF ORIGIN NEW YORK	DATE OCT 8 1964	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 4/11/64 - 9/29/64
TITLE OF CASE STANLEY DAVID LEVISON		REPORT MADE BY [REDACTED]	TYPED BY [REDACTED]
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REFERENCE

Report of SA [REDACTED] dated 4/14/64, at New York.

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3 - New York (100-111180)		17 OCT 13 1964	
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1. ☒ Subject's name is included in the Security Index.
2. ☐ The data appearing on the Security Index card are current.
3. ☒ Changes on the Security Index card are necessary and Form FD-122 has been submitted to the Bureau.
4. ☒ A suitable photograph ☒ is ☐ is not available.
5. ☐ Subject is employed in a key facility and _____ is charged with security responsibility. Interested agencies are _____
6. ☒ This report is classified SECRET because (state reason) it contains information from [REDACTED] a source who has furnished highly sensitive information concerning the racial question in NY, and the Communist influence thereof. In light of this, it is felt that the secret classification is necessary in order to protect the source.
7. ☒ Subject previously interviewed (dates) 2/20/60
☒ Subject was not reinterviewed because (state reason) _____

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of the fact that LEVISON has been very close to MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., and it is felt that in view of this, an interview at this time could prove embarrassing to the Bureau. This is due to the possibility that LEVISON could relate the attempted interview to KING, who then could report to the news

8. ☐ This case no longer meets the Security Index criteria and a letter has been directed to the Bureau recommending cancellation of the Security Index card.
9. ☒ This case has been re-evaluated in the light of the Security Index criteria and it continues to fall within such criteria because (state reason) he was a secret member of the CPUSA as of July, 1963.

10. ☒ Subject's SI card ☒ is ☐ is not tabbed Detcom.
☒ Subject's activities warrant Detcom tabbing because (state reasons) _____

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Copy to:

Report of:

Date:

OCT 8 1964

Office: New York

Field Office File No.:

NY 100-111180

Bureau File No.: 100-392452

Title:

STANLEY DAVID LEVISON

Character:

INTERNAL SECURITY - C

Synopsis:

STANLEY LEVISON has moved his office to 1841 Broadway, NYC; he continues to reside at 585 West End Avenue, NYC. Sources who are apprised of certain phases of CP activity in NY area were contacted but were unable to furnish pertinent information concerning LEVISON.

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DETAILS

I. RESIDENCE AND EMPLOYMENT

According to information furnished by the source, STANLEY LEVISON was in contact with CLARENCE JONES on September 22, 1964. During their contact, LEVISON informed JONES that he had moved his business office from 6 East 39th Street, New York City to 1841 Broadway, New York City.

CLARENCE
LEVISON told JONES that his home address continued as before, 585 West End Avenue, New York City. NY

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CLARENCE JONES is the General Counsel of the Gandhi-Society for Human Rights, 15 East 40th Street, New York City.

The source identified a photograph of CLARENCE JONES as a person whom he knew during late 1953 or early 1954 to be a member of and in a position of leadership in the Labor Youth League (LYL). KU

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The LYL has been designated pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

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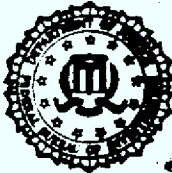
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II. RELATIONSHIP WITH THE
COMMUNIST PARTY, USA (CP, USA)

Sources who are apprised of certain phases of CP activity in New York City and its environs, were contacted during the period September 14 and September 18, 1964, but were unable to furnish any pertinent information concerning STANLEY DAVID LEVISON.

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New York, New York
October 8, 1964

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Bureau 100-392452

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Title Stanley David Levison

Character Internal Security - C

Reference Report of Special Agent [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] dated and captioned as above.

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

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Date: 10/13/64

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DATE 10/17/90 BY SP16SK/80

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-442529)

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-153735)

SUBJECT: CIRM
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Re Bureau airtel, dated 10/9/64, captioned as above, directing receiving offices review their files to ascertain if and when, MARTIN KING and LEVISON contacted each other, or indirectly through their intermediary, CLARENCE JONES. A review of New York's files revealed the following, all of which went to the Bureau:

An airtel and letterhead memorandum, dated 4/21/64, and captioned, "CPUSA-NEGRO QUESTION; COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS", Bufile 100-3-116. Letterhead memorandum reported that on 4/17/64, KING and JONES were in contact during which time JONES mentioned having been in contact with STANLEY LEVISON concerning the Alsop article.

Airtel and LHM dated 4/22/64, captioned, "CPUSA-NEGRO QUESTION", reports contact between JONES and LEVISON on 4/19/64.

Airtel and LHM dated 5/4/64, captioned, "CPUSA-NEGRO QUESTION", reflects that JONES and LEVISON were in contact on 4/24/64, concerning the relationship of ADELE KANTER and LEVISON.

- 3 - Bureau (100-442529) (RM)
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1 - New York (100-73250) (CLARENCE JONES) (42)
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By airtel and LHM dated 5/21/64, captioned, "CPUSA-NEGRO QUESTION; COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS", it is reported that on 5/19/64, LEVISON contacted JONES. Their contact concerned BAYARD RUSTIN, the SCLC.

In an airtel and LHM dated 5/26/64, captioned as above, there was reported that JONES was in contact with ADRIE KANTER (SCLC representative in New York City), on 5/22/64. During their contact, KANTER related the results of a recent conversation she had with STANLEY (LEVISON). She told of instructions received from LEVISON which she was to relate to JONES.

Airtel and LHM dated 6/26/64, captioned "CPUSA-NEGRO QUESTION; COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS", reported that on 6/25/64, JONES and LEVISON were in contact. LEVISON related that he had recently met with ADRIE KANTER, and had worked on a new statement to be issued in an effort to collect money for the SCLC. JONES suggested that they (LEVISON and KANTER) obtain KING's okay before releasing the statement.

On 6/29/64, in an airtel and LHM, captioned, "CPUSA-NEGRO QUESTION; COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS", the NYO reported a contact between LEVISON and JONES which took place on 6/27/64. The contact related to the missing civil rights workers in Mississippi, and a ransom plan to secure their release.

In airtel and LHM dated 8/6/64, captioned, "CPUSA-NEGRO QUESTION; COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS", there was reported a contact on 8/5/64, between JONES and KING, during which time JONES referred to a meeting with "our friend" (meaning LEVISON) on that date.

By airtel and enclosed LHM dated 8/12/64, and captioned "CIRM", it was reported in the airtel that on 8/10/64, [REDACTED] advised that LEVISON and JONES were in contact on that date and during their discussion, LEVISON invited JONES to his office at 3:00 PM on 8/11/64.

NY 100-153735

✓ In airtel and enclosed LHM dated 8/13/64, captioned "CIRM", it was reported that on 8/12/64, JONES and KING conferred. During their discussion, JONES mentioned that he had spoken to "our friend" about "left sectarianism". He said he told "our friend" (LEVISON) that there were some "black Negroes who are acting as if they are paid agents to disrupt the movement". This was said in regard to the moratorium on racial demonstrations.

✓ Airtel of 9/23/64, captioned, "CIRM", the NYO reported that on 9/22/64, [REDACTED] advised that JONES was in contact with LEVISON on 9/22/64. They agreed to meet at 9:30 PM on the same date. b2
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✓ In airtel and LHM dated 9/30/64, captioned "CIRM", it was reported that on 9/29/64, JONES and KAMBER were in contact, and both said they had appointments with "our friend" on that date. Both said they would meet him at his new office, 1841 Broadway, New York City.

At 1:57 PM, on 9/29/64, Special Agents observed JONES enter the building in which LEVISON has his office. It is noted that LEVISON was observed to enter the building at 12:55 PM.

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Via ^{OK} AIRTEL _____
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-442529)

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-153735)

SUBJECT: CIRM
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Re New York teletype dated 11/25/64, captioned as
above.

Enclosed are eight copies of a letterhead memorandum,
captioned and dated as above.

The source of the information in the letterhead
memorandum was [REDACTED] a source close to CLARENCE JONES.

[REDACTED]

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 (1 - 100-407018) (CLARENCE JONES)
 (1 - 100-392452) (STANLEY LEVISON)
2 - Atlanta (Encls. 2) (Info) (RM)
 (1 - 100-5586) (MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.)
 (1 - 100-6670) (CIRM)
1 - New York (100-73250) (CLARENCE JONES) (42)
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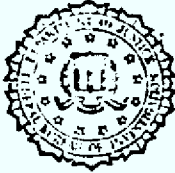
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Re: Communist Influence In Racial Matters
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On November 24, 1964, a confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, furnished information which reflected that Martin Luther King, Jr. (President of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference) (SCLC) was in contact with Clarence Jones on that date. King advised that he was in the process of writing his speeches which he would deliver in Oslo, Norway (where he will receive the Nobel Peace Prize in December, 1964). He said "they" (officials in Norway) have two speeches which are customarily made by recipients of the prize: the Nobel lecture, 45 minutes in length and given the night following the Nobel Presentation; and a five minute speech at the time of the Presentation. King said he had been working on the forty five minute speech but had done nothing on the five minute speech, therefore, he had in mind asking three people to put on paper what they felt he should say during the five minute speech. He said he was of the opinion that those remarks would be quoted in full and in that regard, told Jones that he wanted him to think (his speech) through with "our friend" the kind of thing that he should say from the platform. King requested that speech be sent to his house by Saturday (November 28, 1964). Jones agreed to comply.

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King told Jones that he would also ask Andrew Young (assistant to King) and Harry Wachtel to prepare five minute speeches and from those he would decide the best thing to say.

In continuing their contact, King said he would leave Atlanta, Georgia, on Sunday (November 29, 1964), to go to Cincinnati, Ohio, where he would speak; will go to Stamford, Connecticut, on Monday (November 30, 1964); return to Atlanta on that date and remain until Thursday, when he will go to New York.

While in New York, the following affairs will be held in his honor, according to King: a dinner at Dr. Ralph Bunche's home on December 3, 1964; a luncheon on December 4, given by Secretary General U. Thant; and a reception that night given by United Nations Ambassador Adlai Stevenson.

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COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS

Clarence Jones is the General Counsel to the Gandhi Society for Human Rights, 15 East 40th Street, New York, N.Y.

A confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on February 26, 1957, that he identified a photograph of Clarence Jones as a person whom he knew during late 1953 or early 1954 to be a member of and in a position of leadership in the Labor Youth League. ~~SECRET~~

The Labor Youth League has been designated pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

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It is to be noted that when King and Jones refer to "Our friend", they are referring to Stanley Levison.

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Harry Wachtel is the Executive Vice President of the Gandhi Society for Human Rights, 15 East 40th Street, New York, N.Y. He resides at 29 Split Rock Drive, Kings Point, Long Island, N.Y.

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A characterization of the National Lawyers Guild is attached hereto.

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APPENDIX

NATIONAL LAWYERS GUILD

The "Guide to Subversive Organizations and Publications," revised and published as of December 1, 1961, prepared and released by the Committee on Un-American Activities, United States House of Representatives, Washington, D.C., contains the following concerning the National Lawyers Guild:

"National Lawyers Guild

- "1. Cited as a Communist front.
(Special Committee on Un-American Activities, House Report 1311 on the CIO Political Action Committee, March 29, 1944, p. 149.)
- "2. Cited as a Communist front which 'is the foremost legal bulwark of the Communist Party, its front organizations, and controlled unions' and which 'since its inception has never failed to rally to the legal defense of the Communist Party and individual members thereof, including known espionage agents.'
(Committee on Un-American Activities, House Report 3123 on the National Lawyers Guild, September 21, 1950, originally released September 17, 1950.)
- "3. 'To defend the cases of Communist lawbreakers, fronts have been devised making special appeals in behalf of civil liberties and reaching out far beyond the confines of the Communist Party itself. Among these organizations are the * * * National Lawyers Guild. When the Communist Party itself is under fire these offer a bulwark of protection.'
(Internal Security Subcommittee of the Senate Judiciary Committee, Handbook for Americans, S. Doc. 117, April 23, 1956, p. 91.)"

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This summary is designed to furnish a synopsis of the information set out in each reference. In many cases the original serial will contain the information in much more detail.

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RELATIVES WHO HAVE BUREAU MAIN FILES

The relationship, biographical data and CP activities of Stanley Levison were set forth in the serials of the main files on his relatives as follows:

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This reference was a Bureau memo to the Director from A. H. Belmont, dated 8/23/63, captioned "March on Washington 8/28/63" (157-970). The memo stated that although there was no indication that the CP controlled or initiated this march, it was interesting to note that when Martin Luther King, Jr. first conceived the idea of a march, he consulted Stanley David Levison and sought his advice 6/1/63, as to whether the time was right for such a move. Levison agreed "the time is now". King suggested that Levison or Clarence Jones, who was also a participant in this conversation, see A. Philip Randolph and discuss the march with him. The fact that the National Council of Churches had expressed an interest in King's direct action approach was also discussed by King, Levison and Jones.

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During a pretext call to the office of "In Friendship", 122 East 57th St., NYC, on 1/29/59, an unidentified individual advised that Ella Baker was Executive Secretary of "In Friendship".

"The Worker", dated 3/25/56, revealed that "In Friendship" was a new organization formed by representatives of 75 New York churches, unions and fraternal societies to give economic aid to Negroes in the South caught in the vice of economic boycotts.

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[REDACTED] advised that on 8/20/63, Gordon Haskell (100-354951) made inquiries at the office of Stanley Levison regarding the whereabouts of Martin Luther King, indicating that he desired to talk to King. This information was furnished Levison's secretary, Clarence Jones, and Jones indicated that he knew where King was and would contact Haskell regarding this matter.

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The following references in the file captioned "NAACP", file # 61-3176, contain information pertaining to the activities of Stanley Levison, a member of the NY NAACP. In 1961, Levison was a nominee for the Executive Board of the NY NAACP branch and listed as Co-Chairman of the Entertainment Committee. Roy Wilkins, head of the NAACP, stated that he was puzzled over the reason for Levison and Martin Luther King, Jr. meeting surreptitiously at airports, and he stated that Mrs. Wilkins had brought this up in speeches she'd made.

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The following references in the file captioned "Cominfil of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference", file # 100-438794, contain information pertaining to the activities of Stanley Levison, the assistant treasurer and an advisor to Martin Luther King, Jr., the President of the organization.

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The following references in the file captioned "Racial Matters - Segregation", file #157-6, contain information pertaining to the activities of Stanley Levison with racial matters. Levison was in contact with Martin Luther King, Jr. regarding a mass march on Washington which was to be held to help the passage of civil rights legislation. He was in contact with Clarence Jones of the Ghandi Society For Human Rights, an organization formed to support King and his philosophy. William Kunstler, a lawyer, and Levison discussed the sale of tickets for a Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), an organization headed by King, benefit that was to be held at White Plains, NY, on 12/11/62. Levison was also in contact with Mrs. Lotte Kunstler when they discussed the resignation of Hunter Pitts O'Dell from the SCLC. Levison was Assistant Executive Director of the Committee to Defend Martin Luther King And The Struggle For Freedom In The South.

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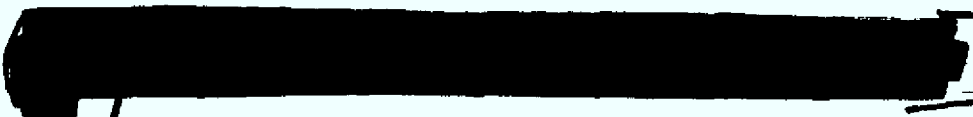
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RE: BERNARD S. LEE V. CLARENCE M. KELLEY, ET AL.
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STANLEY DAVID LEVISON
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Reference is made to a contact which your office made 3/27/65 with a highly sensitive and anonymous source concerning subject. Furnish the Bureau a brief summary of results achieved. Follow with appropriate reporting, suitable for dissemination, of positive information developed.

NOTE:

Levison is a long-time advisor to Martin Luther King, Jr., and himself, important to the Bureau investigation of the communist influence in racial matters.

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Re: Communist Party,
United States of America -
Negro Question
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On June 27, 1964, a second confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that Stanley Levison conferred with Clarence Jones on the night of June 27, 1964. Jones inquired if Levison had spoken to the Goodman family (the Robert Goodman family, parents of missing civil rights worker). Levison answered negatively, prompting Jones to remark that Reverend Martin Luther King had contacted the Goodman family.

According to the source, Jones and Levison agreed to meet at Levison's apartment at 1:00 p.m., June 28, 1964, to discuss important matters.

On June 28, 1964, the first confidential source advised that Clarence Jones stated on that date that he was going to meet on that date with Mr. and Mrs. Robert Goodman and Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Schwerner (parents of the missing Mississippi civil rights workers).

Jones also stated that he was tentatively going to Mississippi on June 29, 1964, to conduct some affairs for the Attorney representing the parents of the civil rights workers.

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A confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on February 26, 1957, that he had identified a photograph of Clarence Jones as a person whom he knew during late 1953 or early 1954 to be a member of and in a position of leadership in the Labor Youth League (LYL) ~~&~~

The LYL has been designated pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

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