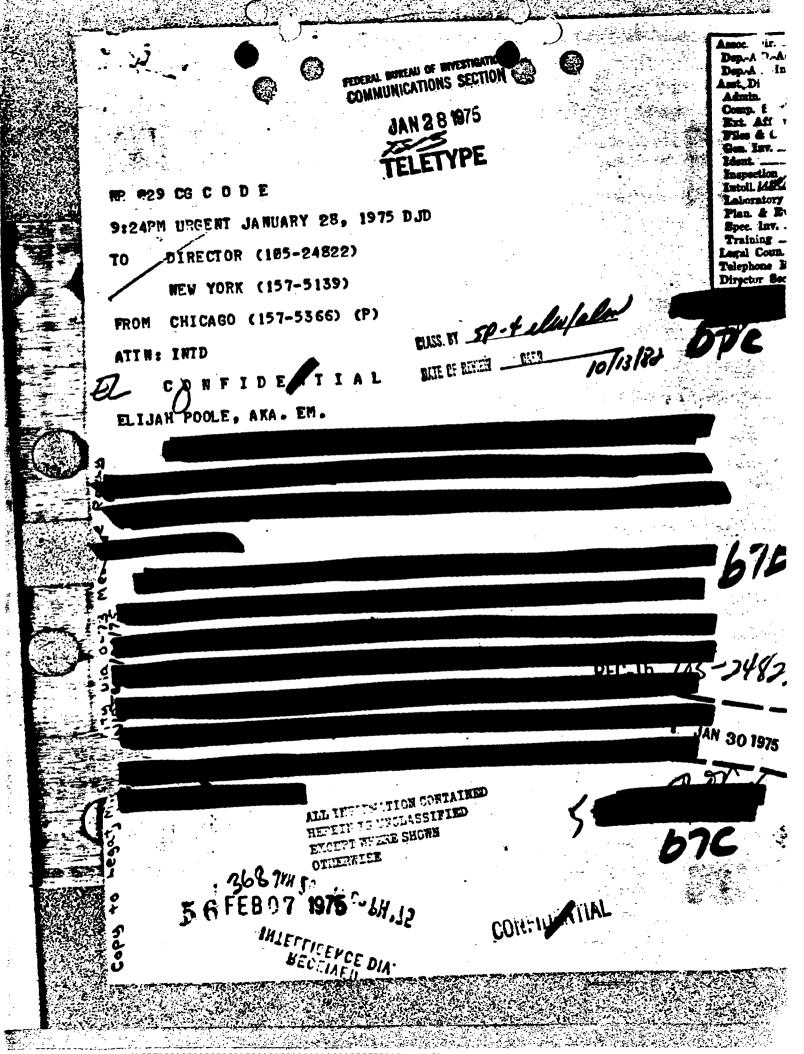
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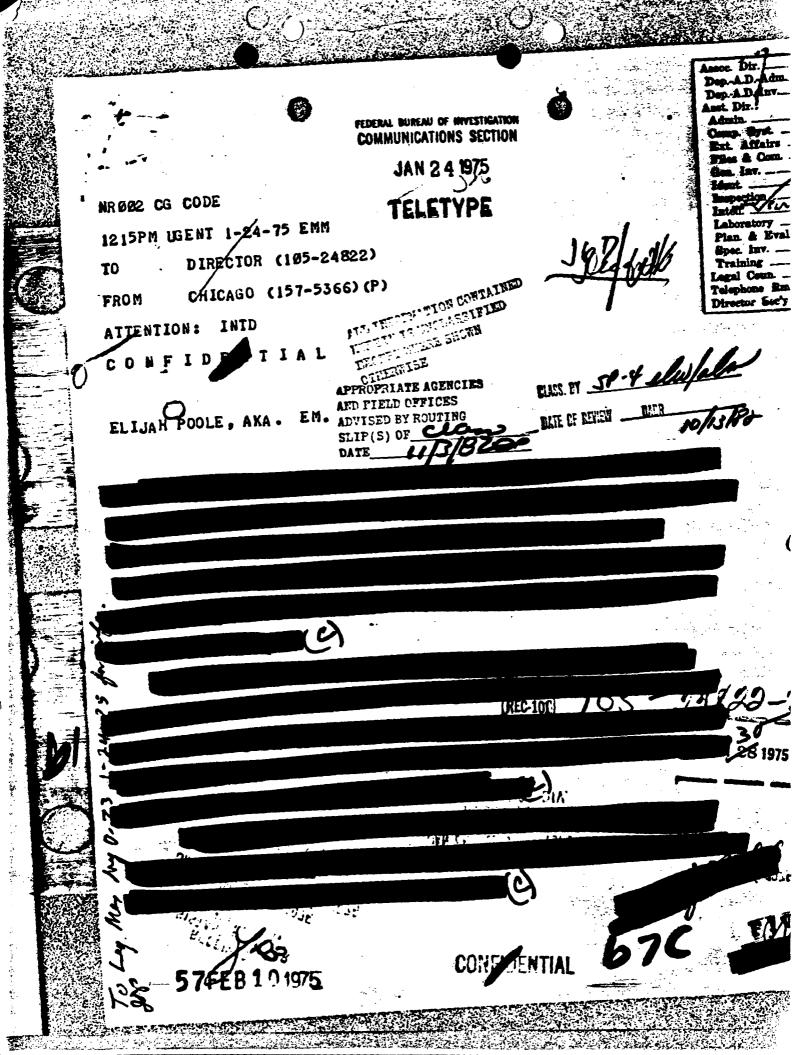
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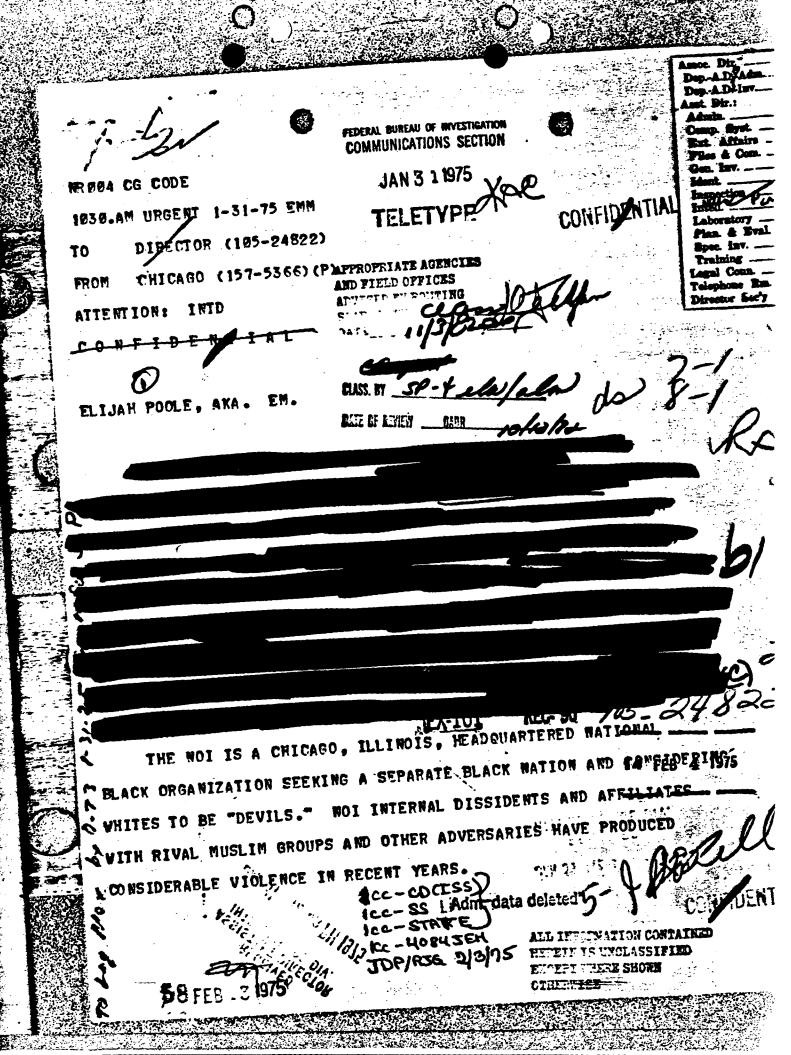
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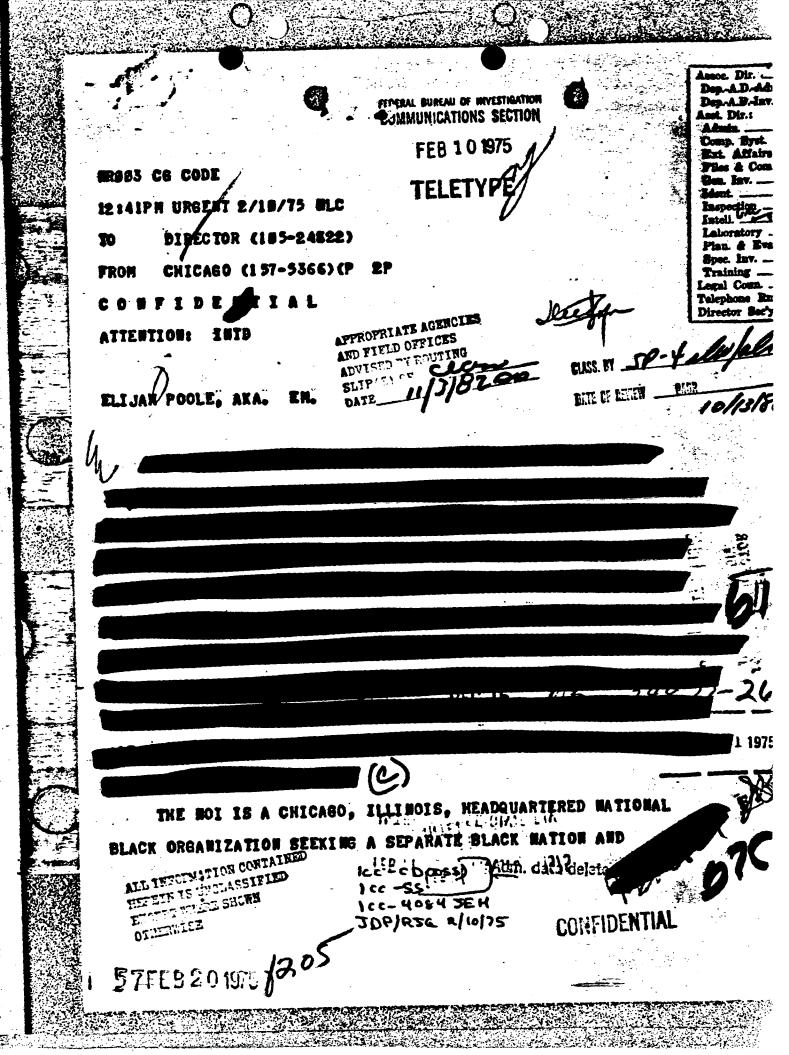
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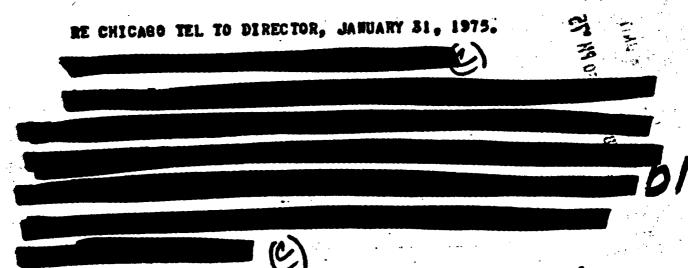
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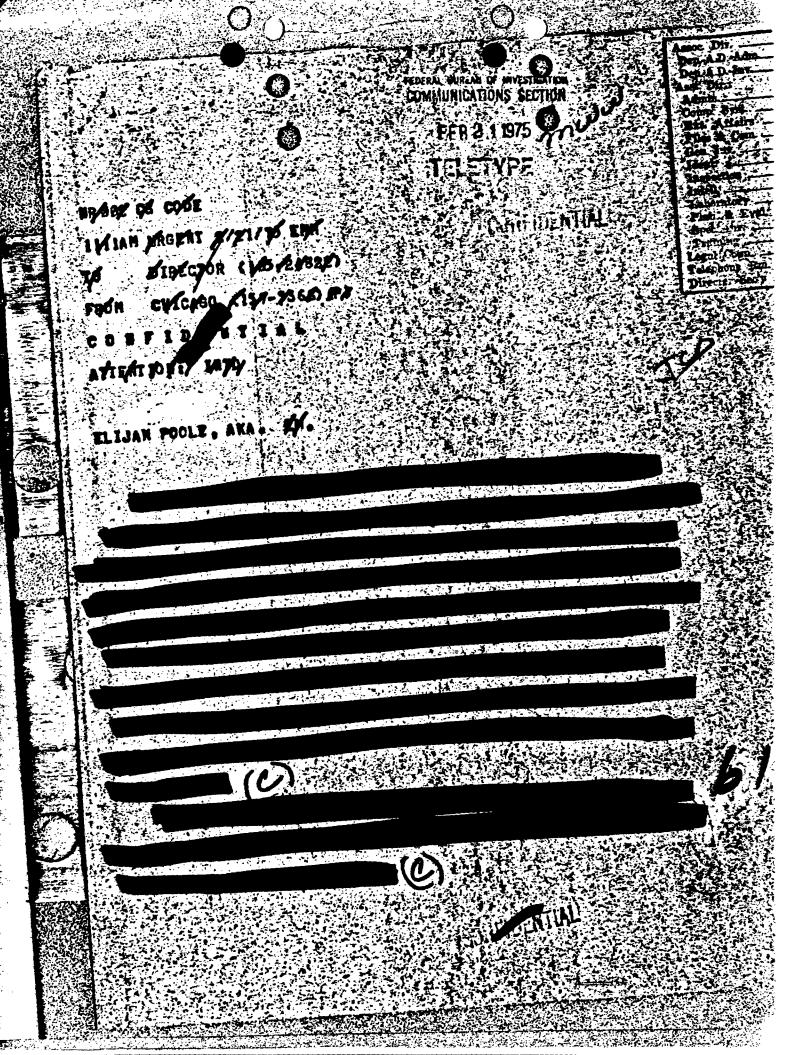
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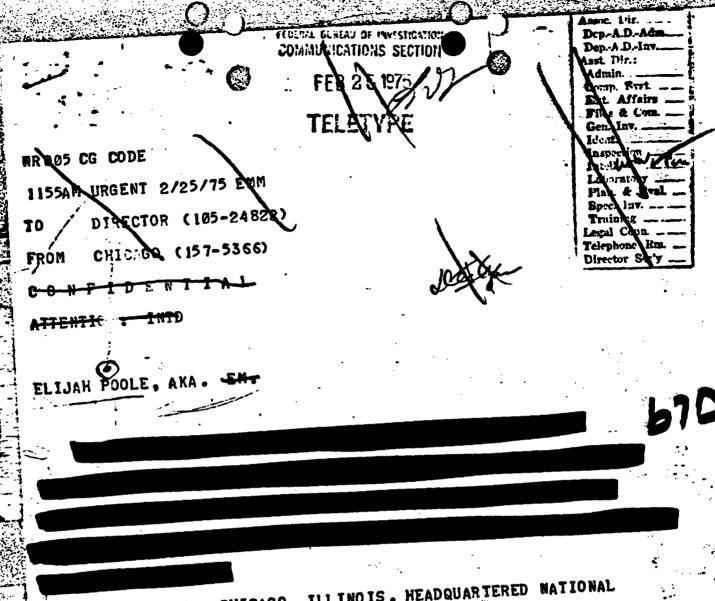
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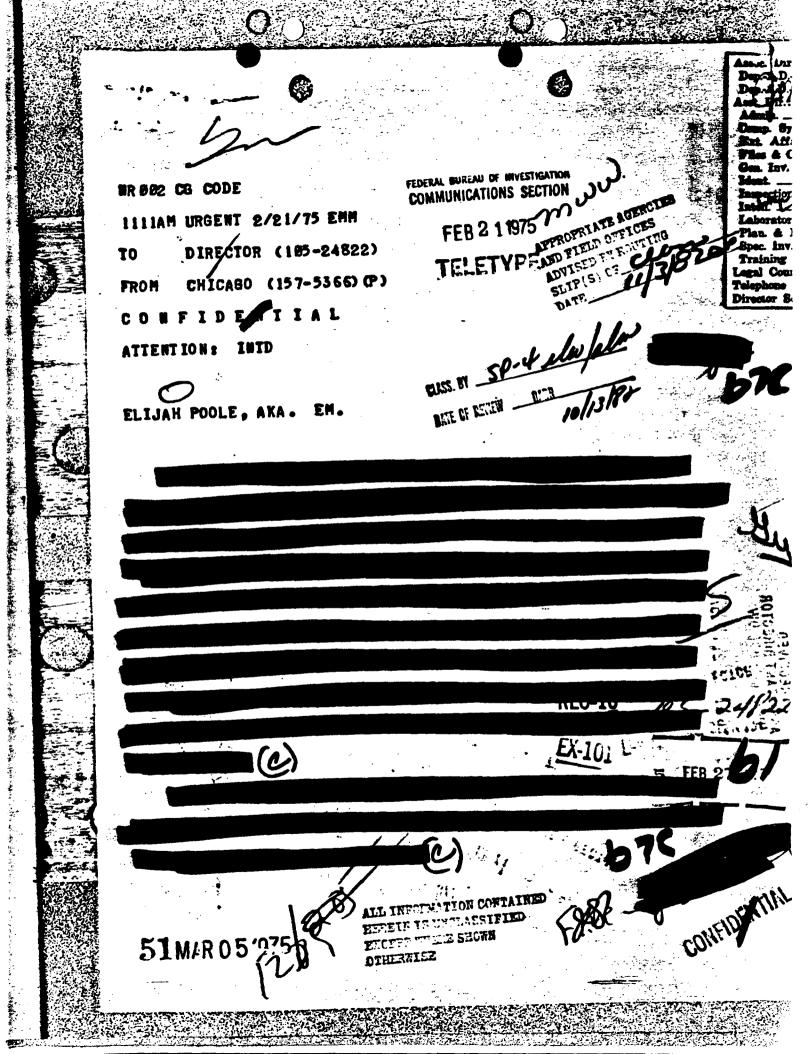
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ELIJAH POOLE, commonly known as ELIJAH MUHANNAD, leader of the Nation of Islam (NOI), died of congestive heart failure at Mercy Hospital, Chicago, Illinois, on February 25, 1975.

MUHANNAD's body is entombed at Muhammad's Temple 2, 7351 South Stony Island Avenue, Chicago, headquarters of the NOI, where NOI officials hope to eventually place it in a shrine.

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#### NATION OF ISLAM

#### Annual Muslim Convention, 1975

"Muhammad Speaks" (MS), Volume 14, Number 23, February 14, 1975, features headlines "Chicago Mayor Proclaims Muslim Savior's Day, 'Nation of Islam Day', Feb. 26, 1975". An accompanying photograph is described as depicting Alderman Wilson Frost, City Council President Pro Tempore presenting a proclamation from Chicago's Mayor Richard J. Daley noting February 26, 1975 as "The Nation of Islam Day" to Minister Wallace Muhammad who accepted on behalf of his father, the Honorable Elijah Muhammad.

An article accompanying the above headlines appeared on Page 6. The following was set forth:

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SAS and listened to the broadcast of the Annual Muslim Convention over Radio Station WVON, 1390 AM, Chicago, on 2/26/75, same lasting from 2:00 PM to 3:30 PM.



PROCLAMATION MHEREAS! The Nation of Islam under the leadership of the Honorable Elijah Muhammad has been a consistent contributor to the social well-being of Chicago for more than forty years; and □ WHEREAS, The Nation of Islam has served the community with a solid program of social reform which has been responsible for assisting Black people all over America; and WHEREAS, The Nation of Islam has exalted the basic family unit and developed an educational system which teaches dignity, self-respect, and accomplishment in a drug-free, low-delinquency environment; and □ WHEREAS, The Nation of Islam conducts a program for feeding Black consumers which includes forms, markets, restaurants, bakeries, and the importation of millions of pounds of fish; and WHEREAS, The Nation of Islam has led the way in providing decent clothing for the dignity of the Black community through manufacturing facilities and retail outlets; and □ WHEREAS, The Nation of Islam has acquired and maintains thousands of units of residential housing throughout Chicago which are exemplary for upkcep, low crime rate, and increased property value; and EI.WHEREAS, The Nation of Islam's progressive self-help program headquartered in Chicago, has provided thousands of jobs to Chicago citizens through its business enterprises, has created the largest distributed Black - owned newspaper in the world, and has developed substantial commercial real estate holdings throughout Chicago: NOW, THEREFORE, I, Richard J. Daley, Mayor of the City of Chicago, do hereby proclaim Wednesday, February 26, 1975, to be NATION OF ISLAM DAY IN CHICAGO and call upon all citizens to take cognizance of the special events arranged for this time. Dated this 24th day of January, 1975. Richard J. Daley

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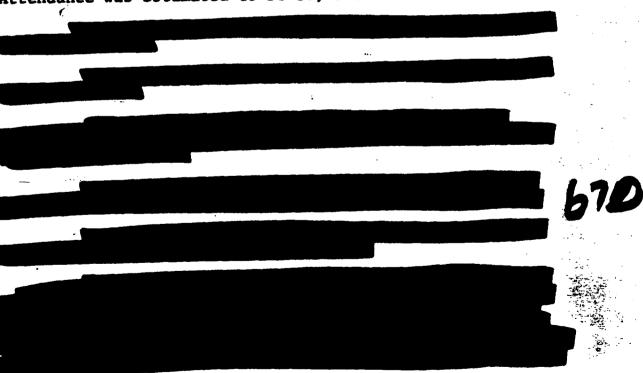
MS is self-described as published weekly by Muhammad's Temple (MT) 2, at Chicago, Illinois:

The Nation of Islam (NOI) is characterized in the Appendix.

MS, February 28, 1975, page 4, is a full page ad which reflects Saviour's Day '75 will be held on Wednesday, 2:00 PM, February 26, at International Amphitheatre, 43rd and South Halsted, Chicago, Illinois; that The Honorable Elijah Muhammad, Messenger of Allah, will speak on "Message To The Blackman" in person.

Chicago, on February 26, 1975, advised:

The Annual Muslim Convention (AMC) was held by the NOI and MT 2 at the International Amphitheatre, Chicago, from about 1:45 PM to 5:30 PM. Attendance was estimated to be 16,000.



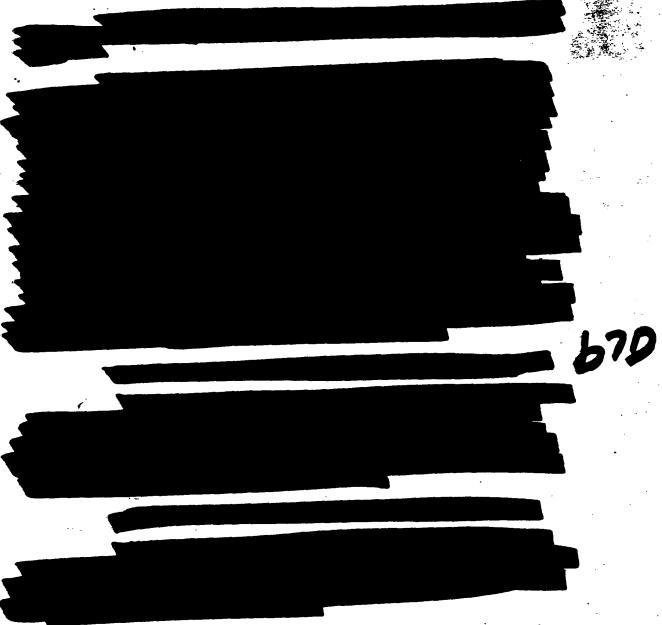






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The "Chicago Sun-Times", 4-Star Final Edition,
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the article reflected "...Speaking of Wallace, heavyweight
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The "Chicago Sun-Times" is a daily newspaper published in Chicago.

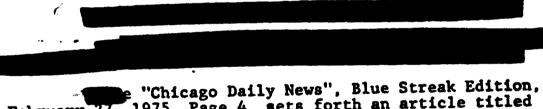
The "Chicago Daily News", Blue Streak Edition, February 27, 1975, page 4 sets forth an article entitled, "Elijah Eulogized: 'He Still Lives'". It reflects:

"...Among those who spoke were heavyweight boxing champion Muhammad Ali, himself a Muslim...

"'When you look at him (Wallace), you are looking at the Honorable Elijah Muhammad,' said Ali. 'When he gives you an order, you obey like you obeyed Elijah Muhammad.'..."

The "Chicago Daily News" is a daily newspaper published in Chicago.

Reverend Jesse Jackson, over Radio Station WVON, self-described as leader of Operation Push (People United to Save Humanity) in Chicago, briefly eulogized Elijah Muhammad.



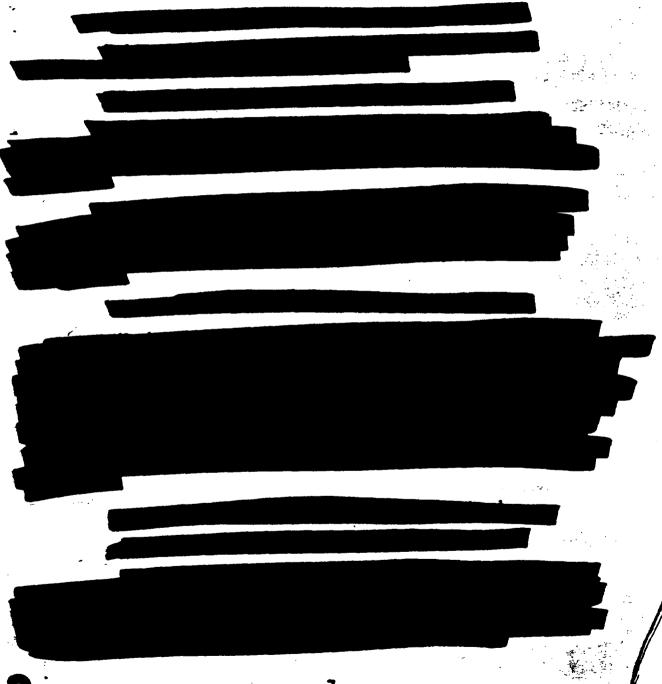
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"...Among those who spoke were...the Rev. Jesse Jackson, head of Operation Push...

"Mr. Jackson called Elijah Muhammad 'the father of black self-consciousness' and lamented 'the loss of our prophet.'"

Ali Baghdadi, over Radio Station WVON, self-described as an Arabic teacher at the Muslim school in Chicago, gave sympathies to the membership from the Moslems in the East. He concerned himself with how well known Muhammad Ali and Elijah Muhammad were to the world. He spoke of unity through use of the Holy Koran.

Ali Baghdadi writes an article entitled, "Middle East Report" which appears regularly in MS.



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The "Chicago Defender", February 27, 1975, Page sets forth an article entitled, "Muhammad Rites Friday - Muslims Hail New Chief". It reflects:

"...Minister Nathaniel Muhammad, another son of Elijah Muhammad, said people should not concern themselves with what will happen to the Nation of Islam; 'You'd better wonder about what is going to happen to you if you don't become a member.' In addition to praising the wisdom of Wallace and expressing his support of Wallace's leadership, he added that Elijah is not dead for Muslims because he lives on, both spiritually and through the life of Wallace. 'Muhammad will live forever,' he said..."

The "Chicago Defender" is a daily newspaper published in Chicago which is oriented to the black community.

The "Chicago Sun Times", Four Star Final, Page 6, sets forth an article entitled, "Nation of Islam Chants For Unity". It reflects:

"...One of the most impassioned messages of support came from Nathaniel Muhammad, leader of a mosque in Kansas City, Mo.,...

"He brought the crowd to its feet by challenging outsiders: 'You better stop wondering what will happen to the Nation of Islam. I say to you, you better start wondering what will happen to you if you don't become a member of the Nation of Islam.'

"The statement was not a threat, but a repetition of the Muslim theme that chaos and decay are enveloping the Western world, and salvation is possible only through submitting to the will of Allah and the Nation of Islam...

"As did others, Nathaniel Muhammad pointed out that Wallace was the fifth of his father's sons, but that his special leadership role was ordained by Fard, who named him in the womb and predicted his high future..."

The 'Chicago Daily News", Blue Streak Edition, February 27, 1975, Page 4, sets forth an article entitled "Elijah Eulogized: 'He Still Lives'". It reflects:

"...'Our Jesus that died for us died yesterday, said Nathaniel Muhammad...'But he lives today more successful.'...

"Nathaniel Muhammad said Elijah himself designated Wallace as his successor and clled his brother 'the first son of Elijah Muhammad. "..."



The "Chicago Defender", February 27, 1975, page 3 sets forth an article entitled, "Muhammad Rites Friday - Muslims Hail New Chief". It reflects:

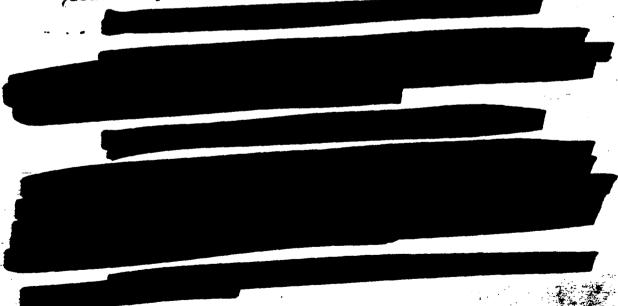
"...Abdul Karriem, Regional Head of the Nation on the West Coast, remarked that 'outside the Royal Family, there is no one else to look to for leadership. He explained that the children of Elijah Muhammad have all been prepared to take over responsibility for the running of the Movement if and when necessary.

"'They're the most qualified and of the same blood as the Messenger, Karriem said in clarifying why he felt members of Muhammad's immediate family were the only Muslims capable of ruling..."



The "Chicago Defender", February 27, 1975, Page 3 sets forth an article titled, "Muhammad Rites Friday -. Muslims Hail New Chief". It reflects:

"...Minister Jeremiah Shabazz, of Temple No. 12 in Philadelphia, said, 'the Nation will endure because it was built "by" men rather than "on" men.' He pointed out that the entire movement submits to the divine leadership of Wallace Muhammad..."



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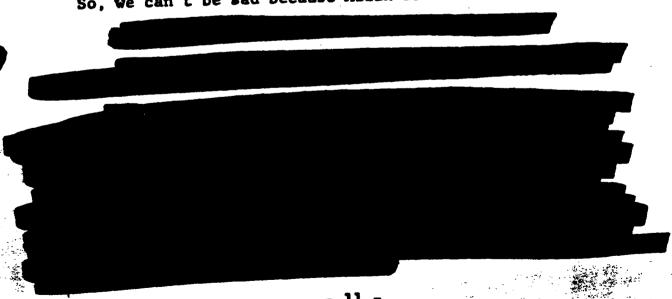
Minister Louis Farrakhan tried for some time to eulogize Elijah Muhammad but several times almost burst into tears. He spoke of what Elijah had done for him as a man and how he personally loved this man. He continued:
As long as Islam lives, so does Elijah and this will be forever; that if people didn't believe it, stick around and watch our smoke.

The "Chicago Defender", on February 27, 1975, Page 3, sets forth an article titled "Muhammad Rites Friday - Muslims Hail New Chief". It reflects:

"...Minister Louis Farrukhan, Head of Temple No. 7 in New York City, said those people waiting for the Nation to split up through various bids for power will be disappointed. He declared, 'The Honorable Elijah Muhammad did not teach his followers to think that way.

"Crying at one point in his emotion-packed speech, Farrukhan said Wallace Muhammad is 'the will of God' and has been trained to assume leadership over the organization in ways other Muslims do not and cannot ever know.

"Farrukhan commented that 'this is a day of joy, not sadness or grief. The messenger has taught us well, he taught us to submit to the will of Allah. So, we can't be sad because Allah is the best knower.

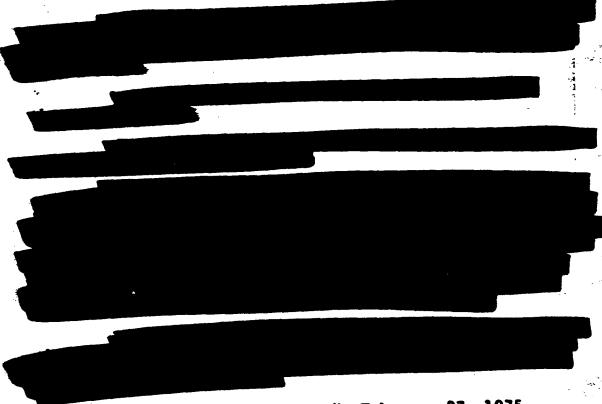




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The "Chicago Defender", February 27, 1975, featured headlines "Muhammad Rites Friday - Black Muslims Hail New Leader". A subcaption for a photograph accompanying the headlines reflected:

"Wallace D. Muhammad, son of the late Elijah Muhammad, is lifted onto the shoulders of Black Muslim ministers and Fruit of Islam guards after delivering his initial address during Saviour's Day ceremonies Wednesday at the International Amphitheatre. Wallace, 41, was officially named the successor to his father as spiritual head of the movement. He received the absolute support of all chapters of the Nation around the country..."

A photograph associated with the headlines appeared on Page 2 and was titled "Muslims Jam The Amphitheatre - Wallace Speaks". An accompanying subcaptioneflected:

"...Wallace D. Muhammad...told listeners 'We will never, never, never let anyone come amongst us and speak a word of discord and we not hear it.' He said the Nation of Islam is the entire earth and reflected on those institutions which have

been 'shaken by crises' in the 1970's".

An article associated with the headlines appeared on Page 3. It reflected:

"...Wallace remarked that 'I'm too small to receive all this praise.' He pointed out that his father was responsible for 'building this house'.

"He said the Nation of Islam is one body, undivided, and the Divine body 'that God wants the world to see today.' Wallace added that the Muslims have no intention of becoming political...."

The "Chicago Sun Times", Four Star Final, February 27, 1975, page 6 sets forth an article entitled, "Nation of Islam Chants For Unity". It reflects:

"...Through all the praise, Wallace Muhammad sat bowed in a low chair, rarely raising his eyes from the floor.

"In his speech, he began, quietly and low-key, tracing the origins of the Nation of Islam, giving an insight into its powerful appeal for many blacks.

"The problems of blacks were so desperate, he said, that 'the solution to the problem was to bring something very strange. It was not possible with subjects of white mentality to come up with something new.'...

"'They named us Black Muslims,' Wallace Muhammad said, 'but I want you to know now that we are not a people to harbor racism - we are a nation. This audience is like Joseph's coat, one of many beautiful colors.'

"Wallace Muhammad, too, predicted collapse of Western civilization and the spread of Black Muslims throughout the world."

The "Chicago Tribune", Sports Final, February 27, 1975, Section 2, page 1, sets forth an article entitled, "Muhammad Son Succeeds Him As Leader of Muslims". It reflects:

"...'No one will come among us and speak with dissension or discord', said Wallace Muhammad, 'for we will drive him out with all the force of Almighty God.'

"'This house is founded on knowledge and wisdom, and men of knowledge don't fall down and weep like babies in the face of tragedy,' he added..."

The "Chicago Tribune" is a daily newspaper published in Chicago.

MS, Volume 14, Number 27, March 14, 1975, front page, featured a full page photograph entitled, "He Lives On!". The subcaption for the photograph advised same was of "The Honorable Elijah Muhammad, Messenger of Allah, and his son, the Honorable Wallace D. Muhammad, Spiritual and Administrative Leader of the Nation of Islam".

MS, Volume 14, Number 27, March 14, 1975, on Page 12 and 13 sets forth an article entitled, "Saviour's Day Address - Hon. Wallace Muhammad". This article is signed, "The Honorable Minister Wallace D. Muhammad - Servant of Allah". It reflects:

"...The Honorable Elijah Muhammad has taught us that we have followed and listened to a world - a religious world - that could only reprint the Bible, but could not read words and sentences and paragraphs. He has told us that we follow a religious world that has given their thoughts to scripturalism and know little at all about interpretation...

"I must take the time here to let you know that the Honorable Elijah Muhammad has unlocked the Bible and in unlocking the Bible he has unlocked our minds. He makes us to understand the parables of Jesus, the symbolic language that runs from Genesis to Revelations, and in making us understand this we come into the knowledge of real truth...

sermon; I am here to tell you that we have a Black Saviour today and God has come and found a people who were moaning and graoing without a head on their body - living a freak with a white man's head adapted to their body.

"So God came and woke up One of us; One of the sleeping dead in the Bible; one of the sleeping dead in the church; one of the dead of the world of the white man's mentality.

"God came in the person of Wali Fard Muhammad and raised up one of the sleeping dead, the Honorable Elijah Muhammad. But he did not leave the image that he came in before us.

"He withdrew His image because it was not His flesh that He came to present to you and me, it was the Divine Mind and the Divine will that He came and presented to you and me.

"Today, I say to you Muslims who are called or named Black Muslims by someone outside of this Nation of Islam - they named us that, but I want you to know we are not a people to harp upon color and racism. The Honorable Elijah Muhammad says this is not a race; He says this is a nation...

"Not the white head...NO! This great work has not been done to present a Black body with a white head. It has been done to present a Black body with its own head; with something that complements that body, with something that does not disgrace that body, with something that the whole body can identify with and feel and say - yes, I am whole and I am true to nature and I am belonging to myself...

"We are living in a time when everything that has been put together by men without the recognition and respect and dependency upon God has manifested itself and has shown itself unable to stand up and stay together in this 1975. In these '70s, we have lived to see integration caome apart at its vital and most strongest seam.

"In these '70s, we have lived to see the church influence, the synagogue influence, even the orthodox Mosque influence weaken in its vital seam. In these '70s we have lived to see old and vital institutions of the West weaken and break in their vital seams.

"We have seen sons of a whole established generation of learned men and women leave the home of their learned parents with college education filling their heads, put on sneakers and raggedy old pants, dirty T-shirts and grow their hair like a woman's, hiding the dignified image of a man, and given the semblance of an animal behind bars.

"We have seen the strong of the strong turn from the house of atrength and walk out in the street, more weak than the Black man in America that they took from the land called Africa, and reared up with no manhood and no womanhood, and planted in their physical body a child's mentality.

"We have seen the mighty dragon. We have seen the great civilization that had blood and flesh and thirst for physical consumption--like cows and bulls and apes and gorillas--grow to be a great giant, physically: with a big, giant brain materially, but a pea-sized brain morally and spiritually.

"We have lived to see in this decade, the government of this great giant, weaken and shake and break in its vital seams, and until this very moment we have not seen them come up with that that convinces them and us that they have come upon something that has in it the power to do again what the power of God has undone in their house...

"The whole world has failed to present unity, to present accord, to convince the subjects of the world that there is strength in unity. You can depend upon us for we are one body. But God has manifested: we under the Honorable Elijah Muhammad are the Divine body that God wants the world to see today.

"There is no strength on Earth greater than God's strength, and what you see here today, my brothers and sisters—and when I say that, I mean all of you who have in your heart truth, decency, honesty, and love for God and righteousness—all of you my brothers and sisters...

"The Honorable Elijah Muhammad is a mind, a spirit, a morality, that is from God Almighty, that is filling the Nation of Islam, that is called a nation because a new people are coming into birth, who start off like an Adam and an Eve, and grow into a family and into a tribe, and on and on into a nation. This is a nucleus; this is a beginning; this is a small community, but the nation of Islam is the whole Earth.

"Don't think that this means we're going to get political. No -- it was not political power that built ancient Egypt. It was spiritual, it was moral, it was religious power, it was Divine power that entered the great pharaohs - the first builders of ancient Egypt.

"It was not political power that made the white civilization what it is today. It was revealed word that entered into Europe and established a power in Rome, a religious power. And the Gentile world got a shot in the savage vein of a savage arm, and had the courage to march with the banner of civilization in their hand.

"The world you see today, at its roots, in its beginning, is Divine power--is revealed truth. Nothing of this world has ever been made great unless God was in its roots, was at its base. Brother and sister, there is much to say to you, but we will meet again, and everytime we meet God will meet in us and with us..."

#### **Violence**

Sources utilized above advised no violence was noted during the above session of the AMC, 1975.

#### Leadership

The "Chicago Tribune", Sports Final, February 27, 1975, Section 2, Page 1, sets forth an article entitled "Muhammad Son Succeeds Him As Leader of Muslims". It reflects:

"'There is no leadership crises in the Nation of Islam', Black Muslim leaders said Wednesday as they pledged "undivided allegiance" to their new Spiritual leader, Wallace Muhammad...

"The formal transfer of power within the sect came in what appeared to be an orderly fashion as more than 25,000 Black Muslim followers gathered at the International Amphitheatre for Our Saviour's Day, the annual observance in honor of Black Muslim founder W.D. Fard.

"Herbert, another son of the former leader of the sect, was present during the ceremonies but was conspicuously absent from the formal speechmaking.

"One official, however, said that Herbert will be the boss' behind the seenes of the Muslims' \$80 million empire.

"Herbert sat directly behind Wallace throughout the ceremonies, constantly bending forward to confer with the new Spiritual Leader during the Cour-hour observance...

"The selection of Wallace and Herbert to head the Nation of Islam was completed Tuesday when a six-man ruling committee met at the Muslim Temple No. 2, 7351 South Stony Island Av.

"High-ranking Black Muslim officials said Herbert heads the committee while Wallace will be the spokesman "out front.' Except for Muhammad Ali, the committee consists only of members of the immediate family of the late Elijah Muhammad.

"Others expected to assume key positions on the committee include Louis Farrakhan, the Sect's National Spokesman who addressed the Savior's Day crowd; Raymond Sharrieff, the late Muhammad's son-in-law, who also spoke Wednesday; and Yusef Shaw, an assistant pastor at Temple No. 2..."

#### Public Relations

MS, February 14, 1975, page 5; and MS, February 21, 1975, Page 9, are full page ads reflecting a nationwide telecast of the Honorable Elijah Muhammad's Saviour's Address, Wednesday, February 26, 1975, will be made in color on live closed circuit TV direct from the International Amphitheatre; that the reader to determine the time and location of the telecast in his area should call these numbers:

#### Burial of Elijah Muhammad

The "Chicago Tribune", Sports Final, March 1, 1975, Section 1, Page 4, sets forth an article entitled, "7,000 Mourn Muhammad". In essence, it reflected:

Some 7,000 men, women, children and babes in arms were on hand at MT 2 on Friday (February 28, 1975) for burial services of Elijah Muhammad. MT 2 could only accommodate 2.000. Dignitaries in attendance included Stan Scott, Special Assistant to President Ford, Reverend Jesse Jackson, Muhammad Ali, and others.

Mayor Daley (Richard J. Daley of Chicago) did not attend but he visited with Muhammad's family in the funeral home Thursday night and sponsored a resolution in Friday's City Council meeting expressing "deep regret" at his passing.

A 500 car procession, after the services, escorted the body of Elijah Muhammad to Mount Glenwood Cemetary, 182nd and Vincennes Avenue, Glenwood (Illinois) where burial took place.

The "Chicago Daily News", Blue Streak Edition, March 8 - 9, 1975, Page 42, sets forth an article entitled "Muhammad's Body Taken From Cemetary". It reflects:

The body of Elijah Muhammad was removed from its grave Friday (March 7, 1975), in Mount Glenwood Cemetary. Reportedly, the \$20,000.00 silver coffin was taken to the Temple of Islam at 7351 S. Stony Island, Muslim leadership, including Wallace D. Muhammad, indicated that it is the desire of the immediate family members that a memorial edifice should be built for Elijah Muhammad and same might be built on the Temple grounds.

The "Chicago Tribune", Sports Four-Star Final Edition, March 11, 1975, on Page 5, sets forth an article entitled, "Casket Is Dug Up - Temple Shrine For Muhammad". In essence it reflects:

The body of the late Elijah Muhammad will be enshrined at the South Side quarters of the NOI and the vault and casket are now in a room at Temple #2.

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MS on February 28, 1975, Page 3, sets forth the following:

## Saviour's Day Speaker schedule

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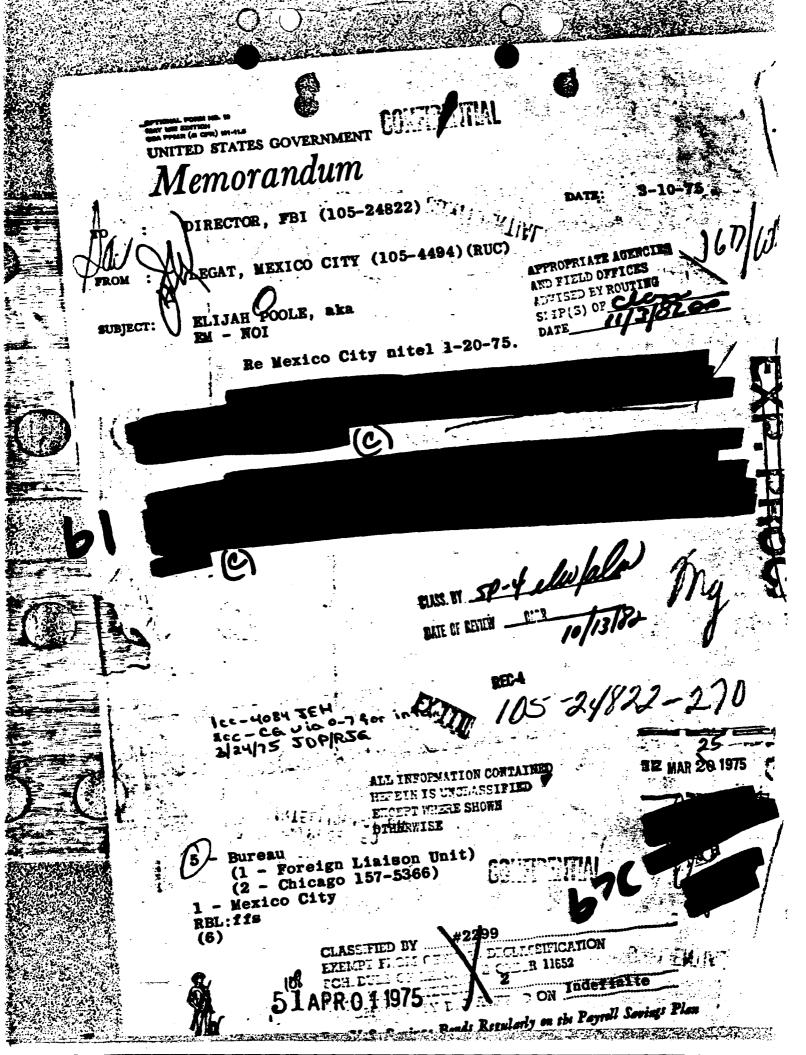
#### NATION OF ISLAM

The Nation of Islam (NOI) is a black nationwide organization headquartered at Muhammad's Temple #2, 7351 South Stony Island Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, under the guidance of Elijah Muhammad, self-styled "Messenger of Allah," and alleged divinely appointed leader of the black race in America. The NOI seeks a separate black nation, considers all whites to be "devils," and preaches a distorted version of the traditional Islamic religion. NOI internal dissidence and difficulties with rival Muslim groups, and other adversaries, have produced considerable violence in recent years. NOI official policy instructs members to obey United States laws that do not conflict with NOI laws; to defend NOI officials, property, women, and themselves at all costs, if attacked; and to disarm any attacker and use the attacker's weapon against him. Male NOI members regularly receive judo and karate training. NOI activity is widespread among black inmates in many prisons in the United States.

#### APPENDIX

#### FRUIT OF ISLAM

The Fruit of Islam (FOI) is an all male militarytype group within the Nation of Islam (NOI). The NOI is a
Chicago, Illinois, headquartered nationwide black organization
seeking a separate black nation, and considering all whites
to be "devils." FOI members receive instructions in judo
and karate and have the mission of protecting NOI officials,
property, women, and themselves, if attacked, at all costs.
FOI members serve as body guards for NOI leaders and
comprise an element for enforcing discipline within the NOI.



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#### UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20151 March 28, 1975

Director United States Secret Service Department of the Treasury Washington, D. C. 20220 in Reply, Please Refer to File No. 157–5366

Dear Sir:

The information furnished herewith concerns an individual or organization believed to be covered by the agreement between the FBI and Secret Service concerning protective responsibilities, and to fall within the category or categories checked.

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☐ Attempts or threats to redress grievances.
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105-24822 Bureau File F:

Field Office File #: 157-5366

ELIJAH POOLE

Character: EXTREMIST MATTER - MATION OF ISLAM

ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, true name ELIJAH POOLE, leader of the Nation of Islam, died in a Chicago, Illinois hospital on 2/25/75.

DETAILS:

The NOI is characterized in the Appendix.

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN IS UNICE ASSIFIED

DATE 10/13/18 BY SPY MUJELANDER Sources whose identities are concealed herein have furnished reliable information in the past except where otherwise noted.

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The records of the Chicago Board of Health,
Chicago, Illinois were caused to be reviewed on March 20,
1975 by Special Clerk (SC)
as follows:

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Death #605408 dated February 25, 1975 reflects ELIJAH
MUHANNAD, a black male born on October 7, 1897 in Georgia,
died on February 25, 1975 at Mercy Hospital and Medical
Center, Chicago. The cause of death was congestive
heart failure and arteriosclerotic heart disease.

MUMANNAD's usual occupation was shown as Supreme Minister.

He was buried in Mt. Glenwood Cemetary, Bloom, Illinois on February 28, 1975.

#### <u>APPENDIX</u>

#### NATION OF ISLAM (NOI)

The Nation of Islam (NOI) is a black nationwide organization headquartered at Muhammad's Temple #2, 7351 South Stoney Island Avenue, Chicago, Illinois. Elijah Muhammad, self-styled "Messenger of Allah," and alleged divinely appointed leader of the black race in America, was the leader of the NOI until his death February 25, 1975. He was succeeded by his son, Wallace D. Muhammad. The NOI seeks a separate black nation, considers all whites to be "devils," and espouses its own version of the Islamic religion. internal dissidence and difficulties with rival Muslim groups, and other adversaries, have produced considerable violence in recent years. NOI official policy instructs members to obey United States laws that do not conflict with NOI laws; 30 defend NOI officials, property, women, and themselves at all costs, if attacked; and to disarm any attacker and use the attacker's weapon against him. Male NOI members regularly receive judo and karate training. NOI activity is widespread among black inmates in many prisons in the United States.

## Memorandum

DIRECTOR, FBI (105-24822

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Re Bureau letter to SAC Albany dated 5/8/78; Bureau airtel to SAC Albany dated 3/12/79, titled, "Destruction of Field Files and Records; Elsur Matters

In keeping with instructions set out in referenced airtel, the Chicago Division has identified all files containing Elsur records and correspondence. The file cover on these files have been stamped "Elsur-DO NOT DESTROY". This was done in order to prevent the inadvertent destruction of any Chicago files containing Elsur material.

This file will therefore be an exception to file destruction program as set out in referenced letter and this file will be retained by the Chicago Division until the present moratorium on the destruction of Elsur records and/or correspondence has been resolved.

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