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A article entitled "Frontier Magazine and The Nation in Merger" appeared in the February 21, 1967, edition of the "Los Angeles Times" in Part II, Page two. According to this article, "Frontier Magazine", a "liberal West Coast monthly magazine" will merge into "The Nation", which was described as "this country's oldest weekly 'journal of critical opinion'". James J. Storrow, Jr., Publisher of "The Nation" stated that Gifford Phillips will become associate publisher of this combined magazine.

Phil Kerby, Editor of Frontier Publishers will become associate editor and will be in charge of "The Nation's" West Coast bureau.

Announcement of this merger will also be made at a special conference on "National Priority Number One: Redirecting American Power" at the Beverly Hilton Hotel, February 25, 1967, sponsored by The Nation Institute.

Scheduled participants at this event include Senators Mark Hatfield (R- Oregon), Ernest Gruening (D- Alaska), Eugene McCarthy (D- Minnesota), and George McGovern (D- South Dakota), Mayor Jerome Cavanaugh of Detroit, the

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Reverend Martin Luther King, Negro civil rights leader and Malcolm W. Browne, Pulitzer Prize winner and Vietnam correspondent.

The Eighth Report on Un-American Activities in California dated 1955, published by the California State Senate Fact-Finding Committee on Un-American Activities, Page 383, reflects that Mrs. Ruth Drader testified before the Committee concerning "Frontier" magazine. A portion of her testimony is set forth below:

"Mrs. Drader testified that soon after she had joined several communist front organizations and had become active in them under the name of Jane Dawson, she received two unsolicited communications directed to Jane Dawson from Frontier Magazine, 223 South Beverly Drive, Beverly Hills, California. This publication, well financed and issued in a slick format, modestly refers to itself as the State's only liberal publication. Members of its staff are seen at Communist front meetings from time to time, as was shown by the testimony of Mrs. Drader, and its representatives frequently appear as speakers before various organizations, ranging through the political spectrum from deep red to pale pink."

"The 10th Report on Un-American Activities in California dated 1959, published by the California State Senate Fact-Finding Committee on Un-American Activities, pages 186, 187, states as follows:

"...There is little need for the Communist Party to finance propaganda publications when a magazine like 'The Nation' or one published

in California like 'Frontier' will attack the F.B.I., support the Communist fronts, editorialize sympathetically in behalf of witnesses that appear before legislative committees, and generally parrot the party line for nothing."

LA T-1 (1/5/66) & U

On December 3, 1965, Gifford Phillips was the moderator of an open meeting of Discussion Unlimited (See Appendix).

LA T-2 (9/24/64) & U

Friends of Gifford Phillips stated that Phillips had been in Russia at the time Elizabeth Gurley Flynn, National Functionary, Communist Party, USA, died. Phillips conducted an interview with her some time prior to her death and planned on publishing this interview some time in the future.

LA T-3 (12/3/64) & U

Source did not know Phil Kerby to be a member of the Communist Party (CP) but he considers Kerby's writings and speeches to closely follow the communist line. & U

On January 2, 1964, source advised & U that Phil Kerby was listed as a current active member of the Executive Board of the Citizens Committee to Preserve American Freedoms (CCPAF)(See Appendix).

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In the column entitled, "Names in News" which appeared in the January 29, 1967, edition of "The Register", Santa Ana, California, there appeared information which stated that Martin Luther King will be among the noted speakers taking part in the California Conference of "The Nation." This conference was scheduled to take place at the Beverly Hilton Hotel and the subject of the conference was scheduled to be "National Priority Number One:Redirecting American Power." Those scheduled to share the speakers platform are the same as those set forth above.

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APPENDIX

DISCUSSION UNLIMITED, INC.

Records of the Division of Corporations, California State Department of Investments, Los Angeles, California, indicate that Discussion Unlimited filed its Articles of Incorporation as a nonprofit corporation, with the Secretary of State, Sacramento, California, on or about June 4, 1963, noting its principal site of office as Los Angeles County, California. The aims and purposes of the organization, as listed in the Articles of Incorporation, are "...to promote full and open discussion on our society and problems".

A source advised on May 8, 1963, that Discussion Unlimited, Inc. actually was originated in Los Angeles, California, in May, 1962, and was composed largely of a number of present and former Communist Party members who assist in staging panel forums and in promoting such events. Original coordinator of the group was BERNARD LUSHER, who in 1961, was educational director of the Southern California District Communist Party.

This source was recontacted on April 9, 1965, and indicated that the basic concept of Discussion Unlimited, Inc. has not changed. It continues to present "left ideas" to at least partially non-committed audiences. It proposes to develop special activities around various issues on an irregular basis. It is not a membership organization, and does not hold regular meetings as such, but rather is strictly a forum-type organization.

On May 10, 1966, another source reported that Discussion Unlimited, Inc. continues to operate as a forum-type organization.

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APPENDIX

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIANS TO ABOLISH
THE HOUSE UN-AMERICAN ACTIVITIES
COMMITTEE, Also Known As
Southern Californians for
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Activities Committee, Citizens Committee
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A source advised on January 25, 1966, that the Citizens Committee to Preserve American Freedoms, (CCPAF) 555 North Western Avenue, Los Angeles, California, had recently changed its name to Southern Californians for Abolition of the House Un-American Activities Committee.

The same source advised on June 9, 1966, that subsequent to the adoption of the new name in January, 1966, the officers began to refer to it by the name Southern Californians to Abolish the House Un-American Activities Committee. This is now the official name and the new letterhead of the organization carries the name as "Southern Californians to Abolish HUAC".

The "Guide to Subversive Organizations", revised, December 1, 1961, pp. 43-44, describes the CCPAF as follows:

"The Citizens Committee to Preserve American Freedoms * * * specializes in propaganda aimed at abolishing the Committee on Un-American Activities and discrediting the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Created in Los Angeles in 1952, the front organization is run by FRANK WILKINSON, an identified Communist who recently resumed the full-time, paid post of executive secretary after approximately a year's leave of absence to assist in a similar campaign by another front in New York City, the Emergency Civil Liberties Committee.

"When the Committee on Un-American Activities held hearings in Los Angeles, September 2-5, 1958, to inquire into the nature of the Party's recent reorganization in California, the Citizens Committee to Preserve American Freedoms sponsored a series of public meetings to protest the hearings and the very existence of the Committee. Communists subpoenaed as witness were guests of honor.

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"At this time, leaders of the Party's Southern California District were mobilizing Communists in the area for participation in an intensified campaign to abolish this committee of Congress. How the Citizens Committee to Preserve American Freedoms served the Party in this effort was revealed by (Communist Party) District Chairman DOROTHY HEALEY in a report to the Party's Southern California District Council on September 21, 1958. Mrs. HEALEY declared that the Party preferred public protest meetings to be held by the Citizens Committee to Preserve American Freedoms rather than under party auspices because Communists could attend without danger of being exposed as members of the Party. She also noted that Communists scheduled as congressional committee witnesses could not appear beforehand at open Communist rallies without creating the impression that the Party was conspiring with witnesses to withhold information from the committee".

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On 3/1/67 [redacted] advised DORA E. MC DONALD, Secretary to the President, SCLC, on that date indicated that MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., President, SCLC, BERNARD LEE, Special Aide to the President, SCLC, and ANDREW J. YOUNG, Executive Director, SCLC, would be in New York City on 3/3/67 and in all probability would remain there over the coming weekend. MC DONALD mentioned no further details.

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Source also advised that on 3/1/67 YOUNG instructed his secretary, GLORIA FRACTION, to make reservations for him at the New York Statler Hilton for the nights of 3/3, 5 and 6/67. YOUNG did not include 3/4/67 in these dates.

Informant was unable to furnish any further details.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-438794)

FROM: SAC, ATLANTA (100-5718)

RE: COMINFIL OF SCLC
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Re New York airtel and LHM 1/23/67, captioned as above.

Enclosed for the Bureau is the original and 7 copies and for Chicago and New York 2 copies each of LHM.

Source referred to in enclosed LHM is [redacted] b7D

Source utilized to characterize LEVISON is NY 694-S*. Source utilized to characterize HOSEA WILLIAMS is NY 4171-S*. Sources utilized to characterize O'DELL are NY 694-S* and NY 4171-S*.

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(1 - 100-5586) (M. L. KING, JR.)
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The information set forth in the enclosed LHM and that set forth below [redacted] WILLIAMS said the meeting to which he referred took place approximately 3 weeks ago. It is noted that referenced LHM indicates LEVISON on 1/19/67 said he planned to go to Chicago in connection with SCLC matters on 1/20/67. It is possible the meeting to which WILLIAMS referred may actually have been held on 1/20/67 or shortly thereafter. Referenced LHM also points out that as of 1/19/67 LEVISON was greatly displeased with WILLIAMS and this may well have been the predication for his argument with WILLIAMS.

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Informant said that WILLIAMS' conversation on 2/7/67 clearly indicated he was greatly concerned with the apparent lack of success in the recent Chicago voter registration drive and still felt appreciable animosity toward KING and SCLC. WILLIAMS contended that against his objections, he had been more or less pushed into the position of being responsible for this voter registration drive. He said it was obvious that prior to the commencement of this drive as of the first of January, SCLC personnel had failed to establish any appropriate ground work for such activity. Furthermore, SCLC personnel in Chicago before and during this drive were extremely complacent as to their responsibilities and ineffective in their accomplishments.

WILLIAMS declared that prior to the commencement of this drive, KING had promised him he would appear on more than one occasion in Chicago in effort to bolster morale and thereby rendering assistance to WILLIAMS. WILLIAMS said KING had failed to do this and furthermore, he knew that during the drive KING had been in Chicago on more than one occasion and did not condescend to even contact WILLIAMS. Therefore, WILLIAMS said he felt not only had KING let him down but in effect had lied to him. WILLIAMS said he had expressed these feelings at this meeting.

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According to WILLIAMS, his argument with LEVISON was very heated and involved the use of excessive profanity by both of them. Informant advised that while WILLIAMS did not precisely state, he gathered the impression that in this argument LEVISON defended KING in opposition to WILLIAMS' statements.

WILLIAMS went on to say that he became so greatly angered he picked up his briefcase, walked out of the meeting, announcing he there and then quit SCLC. He said ABERNATHY followed him out of the meeting and actually pleaded with him not to leave SCLC. ABERNATHY told WILLIAMS that if he left SCLC at that time the SCLC "power structure" as well as the news media would place all responsibility for any SCLC failure in Chicago squarely on his shoulders in view of KING's absence during this registration drive. Furthermore, ABERNATHY said such a situation would cause appreciable embarrassment to SCLC.

WILLIAMS said that largely out of "compassion" for ABERNATHY he consented to remain with SCLC provided in the near future SCLC revamps and "reorganizes" its policies. He did not specify what he felt was necessary in this regard.

[redacted] he was utterly disenchanted with SCLC and at the moment was endeavoring to determine some line of private business (not specified) which he might enter because he really did not feel confident that SCLC would make any real effort to change its policies of operation. b7D

According to WILLIAMS, while he was present at the above meeting, YOUNG, ESKRIDGE and ABERNATHY had very little, if anything, to say.

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Informant also advised that a few days before WILLIAMS' conversation with him, DANA SWAN, SCLC Voter Registration employee, returned to Atlanta from Chicago. SWAN commented that what little progress had been made by SCLC in the recent Chicago Voter Registration drive was essentially the results of WILLIAMS' efforts. SWAN said there had been absolutely no preparation for WILLIAMS prior to his coming to Chicago and SCLC personnel in Chicago had not cooperated in the registration drive as KING had promised WILLIAMS they would do. X (U)

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COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

A confidential source on February 7, 1967 advised he had learned that toward the end of January, 1967 several officers of Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) met in Chicago, Illinois for the purpose of discussing lack of progress in SCLC's recent voter registration drive in Chicago. Among those attending this meeting were ANDREW J. YOUNG, Executive Director, SCLC, CHAUNCEY ESKRIDGE, SCLC Legal Counselor, Chicago, RALPH D. ABERNATHY, Vice President and Treasurer, SCLC, HOSEA WILLIAMS, Director of Voter Registration, Political Education and in Charge of Southern Field Staff, SCLC, and STANLEY LEVISON.

During this meeting, WILLIAMS pointed out SCLC had placed him in charge of the Chicago voter registration drive and expressed considerable dismay over what he felt was a lack of organizational support afforded this registration drive by SCLC as a whole. He mentioned that Reverend MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., President, SCLC, for example, had previously promised to appear in Chicago on more than one occasion in order to boost this registration drive but had failed to do so.

LEVISON vehemently opposed WILLIAMS' position and became involved in an extremely heated argument with WILLIAMS. As a result of this argument WILLIAMS

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abruptly left the meeting, stating he was then resigning from SCLC. ABERNATHY pleaded with WILLIAMS not to resign from SCLC. WILLIAMS reluctantly agreed to remain with SCLC provided considerable internal "reorganization" of SCLC is accomplished.

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STANLEY LEVISON

A confidential source advised in April, 1964, that STANLEY LEVISON was a secret member of the Communist Party (CP), USA, in July 1963. In late 1963 and early 1964, he criticized the CP for not being sufficiently militant in the civil rights struggle. LEVISON was described by certain CP leaders as being to the "left" of the CP in his position in civil rights. LEVISON's differences with the CP, however, are merely tactical and he continues his ideological adherence to Communism.

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HOSEA WILLIAMS

During October, 1964, a confidential source advised that on October 3, 1964, RUTH BAILEY, then an employee of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, (SCLC), Harlem, New York Office, while discussing several SCLC personalities with one CONNIE CAMPBELL, referred to WILLIAMS. BAILEY said WILLIAMS had mentioned to her (date not specified) that on a prior occasion (date not specified) HUNTER PITTS O'DELL had told him more about politics than he could read.

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HUNTER PITTS O'DELL

In July 1962, HUNTER PITTS O'DELL, also known as JACK H. O'DELL, was considered by the Communist Party, USA, as a member of its National Committee. (U)

HUNTER PITTS O'DELL told EDWINA SMITH December 27, 1963, he would not go back to the Southern Christian Leadership Conference on the same basis because he is now a "left person" and if they cannot accept him the way he is then they will have to forget about him. (U)

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RE: SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE
(SCLC)
RACIAL MATTERS

On March 1, 1967, Birmingham Confidential Informant T-1 advised that four Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) field workers, working out of SCLC Headquarters, Atlanta, Georgia, are currently in Birmingham, Alabama. Confidential Informant T-1 identified these workers as Fred Bennett, Joseph E. Boone, J. C. Ward, and Rolen Smith, who are organizers for "Operation Breadbasket," an SCLC project.

They will begin classes at 10:00 A.M., on March 2, 1967, at the 16th Street Baptist Church, 6th Avenue, North, at 16th Street, Birmingham, Alabama, instructing local civil rights leaders and Negro ministers how to conduct economic boycotts of large businesses in the Jefferson County area of Alabama.

The above information was furnished to the following agencies, at the times indicated:

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8:25 A.M., [redacted] INTC;

8:30 A.M., [redacted] Special Agent in Charge, Secret Service;

9:00 A.M., Assistant United States Attorney [redacted]

11:30 A.M., Chief of Police Jamie Moore, Birmingham Police Department, Birmingham, Alabama;

11:40 A.M., [redacted] Jefferson County Sheriff's Office;

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Enclosed are nine copies of a LHM containing information from NY 3810-S*. Two copies are enclosed for the Atlanta Office.

NY 694-S* was the source who furnished the information used in the characterization of STANLEY LEVISON

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was the source used to characterize CLARENCE JONES.

Chicago was the second source mentioned.

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On March 1, 1967, a confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that Stanley Levison and Clarence Jones, the President of the Intramerica ... Insurance Company and New York City attorney, were in conference on that date concerning a meeting of the Research Committee of the SCLC scheduled for Monday, March 6, 1967, in New York City. Levison wanted to get a commitment from Jones that he would attend the meeting. Jones promised to be there without fail. Levison did not mention where the meeting will be held.

Levison, in apprising Jones as to what the meeting will concern, explained that one of the matters considered will be a request from James Bevel to have Martin Luther King, the President of the SCLC, participate in an April, 1967, peace demonstration in New York City. The demonstration, the source said, will be in protest against the war in Vietnam.

Another confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised in early February, 1967, that James Bevel, Director of the Chicago SCLC staff since its inception in Chicago in the Fall of 1965, was to take a leave of absence for six to nine months to work in New York City with a group advocating peace in Vietnam.

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Communist Infiltration of the
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Conference (SCLC)

A confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised in April, 1964, that Stanley Levison was a secret member of the Communist Party, USA (CP, USA) in July, 1963. In late 1963 and early 1964, he criticized the CP for not being sufficiently militant in the civil rights struggle. Levison was described by certain CP leaders as being to the "left" of the CP in his position on civil rights. His differences with the CP, however, are merely tactical and he continues his ideological adherence to Communism. (S)

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Clarence Jones is the General Counsel to 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 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. 4

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

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Source referred to is [redacted] b7D

Sources used to characterize WACHTEL are anonymous source of WFO set out in report of SA [redacted] 7/19/5[illegible] at WFO re "NLG; IS - C" and NY 1190-S*. b6 b7C

Informant advised [redacted] b7D referred to in the enclosed LHM on 2/21/67.

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HARRY WACHTEL

HARRY WACHTEL is the Executive Vice President of the Gandhi Society for Human Rights, 15 East 40th Street, New York, New York. He resides at 29 Split Rock Drive, King Point, Long Island, New York.

A confidential source furnished information in December, 1949, that HARRY H. WACHTEL, 41 Broad Street, New York, New York, was on the list of individuals carried as active members of the National Lawyers Guild.

A characterization of the National Lawyers Guild is attached hereto.

On March 5, 1944, a confidential source furnished information which revealed that the name HARRY WACHTEL was on the list of names, significance not known, which was maintained at the Headquarters of the Kings County Communist Party at 26 Court Street, Brooklyn, New York.

Regarding HARRY WACHTEL's wife, LEONORA, it is noted that the same confidential source furnished information on March 5, 1944, which revealed her name and address were on a list of names of newly-elected officers of the Bath Beach Club of the Kings County Communist Party.

29 Split Rock Drive
King Point, Long Island NY.

Mrs. Harry H. Wachtel

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The Gandhi Society for Human Rights was formed for the purpose of developing a philosophy and technique of non-violent civil rights protests. It is a non-action organization and makes no attempt to influence legislation nor participate in demonstrations. The Society furnishes legal assistance in certain civil rights cases. The organization was incorporated June 14, 1962.

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THE NATIONAL LAWYERS GUILD

The "Guide to Subversive Organizations and Publications," revised and published as of January 2, 1957, to supersede Guide published on May 14, 1951, by the Committee on Un-American Activities, U. S. House of Representatives, Washington, D. C., contains the following information concerning "The 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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Reference Memorandum dated and captioned as above at Atlanta, Georgia.

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

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(Chicago File 105-16238)

DEMONSTRATIONS, CHICAGO FREEDOM MOVEMENT (CFM) - SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC), CHICAGO, ILLINOIS
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Re Chicago airtel and LHM dated 2/27/67 submitted under the captions "PROPOSED DEMONSTRATIONS, ENGLEWOOD ACTION COMMITTEE, ENGLEWOOD AREA, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, RM" and "DEMONSTRATIONS, CHICAGO FREEDOM MOVEMENT (CFM) - SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC), CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, RM".

Enclosed for the Bureau are fourteen (14) copies of an LHM containing information concerning the above-captioned matters.

Copies are being disseminated locally to Secret Service, the Office of the U.S. Attorney, and Region I, 113th MI Group, the latter in Evanston, Illinois.

Sources utilized in the enclosed are as follows:

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Chicago will follow closely the situation involving the Lawndale Union to End Slums (LUES), as referred to in the enclosed, and the Bureau will be appropriately advised of any developments. Any additional pertinent information concerning the SMC and the activities of JAMES BEVEL in connection therewith will also be appropriately provided to New York, office of origin in this matter.

The character for the SCLC in the enclosed is being carried as RACIAL MATTER as this is deemed more suitable to the nature of the information concerning this organization.

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DEMONSTRATIONS, CHICAGO FREEDOM MOVEMENT (CFM) -
SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC),
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS
RACIAL MATTER

STUDENT MOBILIZATION COMMITTEE (SMC)
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Reference is made to Chicago memorandum of February 10, 1967, under the captions "Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC). Racial Matter", and "Student Mobilization Committee (SMC), Internal Security - C".

Reference is also made to Chicago memorandum of February 27, 1967, under the captions "Proposed Demonstrations, Englewood Action Committee (EAC), Englewood Area, Chicago, Illinois, Racial Matter", and "Demonstrations By Chicago Freedom Movement (CFM) - Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), Chicago, Illinois, Racial Matter."

The memorandum of February 10, 1967, made reference in part to the reorganization of the Chicago SCLC staff, as a result of the departure from Chicago of James Bevel, staff director of the local SCLC since the fall of 1965, to New York City for a period of six to nine months. This memorandum reflected that Bevel was to work in New York in the anti-Viet Nam war movement,

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the organization subsequently identified as the SMC, referred to also as the Spring Mobilization Committee.

In this connection, a confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised during late February, 1967, that the local Chicago SCLC staff continues to be in a somewhat disorganized state, primarily due to the departure from Chicago of James Bevel. It is beginning to appear that the SCLC staff here might be considerably smaller than anticipated just several weeks previously, with a staff possibly exceeding no more than five to eight persons. The identities of these individuals who will comprise the staff and their responsibilities have not as yet been finalized. It is known, however, that within the past week or ten days Reverend Andrew Young, Executive Director of the SCLC, was in Chicago, possibly for the purpose of discussing a staff reorganization. Hosea Williams, SCLC Director of Voter Registration, is in Chicago at the present time in an effort to "get out the vote" for the February 28, 1967 primary elections for aldermanic and mayoral candidates.

In connection with the activities of Williams in Chicago, the "Chicago Daily News", a daily Chicago newspaper, edition of February 27, 1967, carried an article entitled "Rights Chiefs Hit 'Machine'". This article reflected that civil rights leaders in Chicago on Monday had called for the defeat of every Democratic "machine" candidate in Tuesday's aldermanic elections. Hosea Williams, described as Director of Voter Registration and Political Education for Dr. Martin Luther King's SCLC, was quoted as having predicted that the "Democratic machine will get the biggest jolt ever" in aldermanic races where Negro independents are running.

Williams' comments had been made at a press conference at the headquarters of the Coordinating Council of Community Organizations (CCCO), 366 East 47th Street, Chicago, and during his remarks he had called for the ouster of every incumbent Negro alderman and the defeat of any Negro candidate endorsed by the

local Democratic Party. Williams had stated "Black people predominate in 32% of the wards in this city, but Negroes represent 12% of the aldermanic board (City Council). Since the future of black people in Chicago depends on representative government, we cannot possibly understand how any self-respecting black person can possibly vote for any machine candidate in the election."

Williams denied that rejection of all Democratic candidates in favor of Negro independents was reverse discrimination and urged the Negro to send people to City Hall to talk the way "black people" want them to talk. He stated that there were no white people who were better qualified to represent the Negro than the Negro himself and that the "black aldermen" now in the City Council do not represent the people, just "the machine that enslaves the black people".

A second confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on February 28, 1967, that the Lawndale Union to End Slums (LUES) has for sometime been engaged in a so-called rent strike against the Atlas Real Estate Company, 125 South Independence Boulevard, Chicago. LUES is affiliated here with the CFM-SCLC and was initially organized during late 1965 and early 1966 by the local SCLC staff membership. The LUES is composed for the most part of residents of so-called slum buildings who have united to protest against conditions in the buildings where they reside. LUES alleges that certain buildings managed by Atlas Realty are in the slum category and have encouraged the residents to withhold rent payments until living conditions in the buildings are improved. In turn, Atlas is attempting through court action to have these tenants evicted who are refusing to pay their rent.

The source continued that a LUES spokesman has stated that unless this situation is resolved in the near future, possibly as early as the end of the week of February 27 - March 5, 1967, LUES will move families from these slum buildings into apartments which have been rented in some all-white neighborhoods

where CFM open housing marches took place in the summer of 1966, which marches resulted in violence, disorders and arrests. The source continued that the Chicago Police Department and municipal authorities are aware of this situation and are attempting to insure that it will not develop into one which will result in disorders.

On March 1, 1967, this second source advised that as a result of eviction proceedings in Chicago's Municipal Housing Court, proceedings brought by Atlas, the so-called coordinator of the LUES rent strike, Meredith Gilbert, was ordered evicted from an Atlas managed building at 2123 South Trumball Ave. Other cases involving rent strikers here were continued to March 16, 1967.

Gilbert had subsequently announced that on March 1, 1967, he and his family would move into an apartment located at 3491 North Elston Ave. Source advised this area is somewhat south of the Belmont-Cragin area, one of the all-white neighborhoods referred to previously. There are other Negro families residing within a half-mile or so of this address. Fred Gilbert, brother of Meredith, and also involved with the CFM, is also reported to have rented an apartment at 4734 North Drake Ave., which is in the Belmont-Cragin community. No date for a move-in has been set here, although one is expected in a week or so. The neighborhood at 3491 North Elston is aware of the expected move-in and has been prepared to some extent by such city agencies as the Chicago Commission on Human Relations. In connection with 4734 North Drake, the landlord here reportedly is unaware that Gilbert is a Negro, as the lease for this apartment was reportedly signed by an unknown white male.

[redacted] Human Relations Unit, Chicago Police Department, advised on February 28, 1967, and March 1, 1967, that he was aware of the above information relating to the LUES. He advised that any move-ins in connection with this matter would be monitored by the Police Department and that at the moment, no problems are anticipated.

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Reference has been made previously to James Bevel, former SCLC Staff Director in Chicago. Bevel was in Chicago on Monday, February, 27, 1967, where he appeared as a speaker before the Simeon E. Leland Forum at Northwestern University, Evanston, Ill.

An article appeared in the "Chicago Sun-Times", a daily Chicago newspaper, on February 28, 1967, concerning his remarks on this occasion. He was identified as a leader of the SCLC and as the National Director of the Spring Mobilization Committee to End the War in Viet Nam.

During his comments Bevel urged Northwestern University students to reject racism and militarism as "contradictions" of a democratic society. He referred to the United States military action in Viet Nam as "mass murder" and challenged President Lyndon B. Johnson to take our military action to a "world court" for disposition. The article quoted Bevel further as follows:

"Freedom to murder is no freedom at all. An army never maintains freedom-armies merely extend boundaries of cemeteries.

We are worshiping an army in search for peace...which is a form of enslavement. We are using racism and militarism to protect our skin. We are slaves of a gun and we don't have the guts and courage to walk in the world like men. We make a pretense of having a democratic society when in reality we live in one that is based on violence....a government based on guns.

On the subject of racism, Bevel questioned "How do you solve the problem of the Negro? You beat him to death. How do you solve his housing problem? You put him in jail." The same kind of racism which pervades most southern states can be found here in Chicago and other sections of the country, Bevel charged. He stated that racism was a part of the American way of life.

In another related article in this paper, same edition, Bevel was quoted as denying a rumor that he will not eventually return to Chicago to head the SCLC locally. He is maintaining his residence in Chicago and is reported to have stated within

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the past few days that he has merely taken leave temporarily from the civil rights movement to become Executive Director of the "Spring Mobilization Committee to End the War in Viet Nam."

In connection with Bevel's appearance on February 27, 1967, at Northwestern University, the "Chicago Daily News", a daily Chicago newspaper, also carried an article. Bevel had referred to the open housing marches which had taken place in Chicago last summer, stating "We should have continued the demonstrations until the city, county, state and suburban governments passed an effective open housing law. The demonstrations were called off before they should have been. There was not enough pressure, not enough education."

Bevel had stated that the so-called summit talks, involving Chicago's Mayor Richard J. Daley and Dr. King, which had ended the marches, should have been limited to the question of housing, however too many other issues were allowed to clutter the talks. The rights leaders involved had "succumbed to the blandishments" of Mayor Daley. Bevel declined to speculate on the direction demonstrations might take in Chicago this summer, stating that was a matter up to the present staff leadership.

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Re LHM indicates MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., stated on 2/20/67 a meeting would be held early in March, 1967, to re-evaluate SCLC activities.

On 3/1/67 [redacted] THOMAS OFFENBURGER, Acting Director, Public Relations Department, SCLC, on that date said the aforementioned meeting in all probability will be held 3/8-9/67 in Atlanta.

If OFFENBURGER's statement is correct, it appears this meeting will follow the SCLC "Research Committee" meeting to be held in New York on 3/6/67 which STANLEY LEVISON and KING discussed on 2/18/67. It, therefore, does not appear probable that STANLEY LEVISON, CLARENCE JONES, BAYARD RUSTIN or HARRY WACHTEL will attend the SCLC meeting in Atlanta.

The above is for information and no LHM contemplated.

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Should New York develop information indicating LEVISON or the other individuals mentioned above contemplate attending the Atlanta meeting, it is requested Atlanta be promptly advised.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (157-1261)

SUBJECT: DEMONSTRATIONS, CHICAGO FREEDOM MOVEMENT (CFM),
SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE
(SCLC) CHICAGO, ILLINOIS
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Re Chicago teletypes 3/1/67, above caption and Chicago airtel and letterhead memorandum, 3/1/67, under the captions COMINFIL - SCLC, above caption and that of STUDENT MOBILIZATION COMMITTEE, IS - C.

Enclosed for the Bureau are 12 copies of a letterhead memorandum concerning captioned matter.

Copies are being provided locally to the United States Attorney, Secret Service, and Region I, 113th MI Group.

Chicago is continuing to follow this matter closely and the Bureau will be advised of any subsequent pertinent developments.

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Chicago, Illinois
March 2, 1967

DEMONSTRATIONS,
CHICAGO FREEDOM MOVEMENT (CFM),
SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN
LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC),
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS
RACIAL MATTER

Reference is made to Chicago memorandum of March 1, 1967, under the following captions:

Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC)
Racial Matter

Demonstrations, Chicago Freedom Movement (CFM) -
Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC)
Chicago, Illinois
Racial Matter

Student Mobilization Committee (SMC)
Internal Security - C

Referenced memorandum in part pertained to a move-in to an apartment located at 3491 North Elston Avenue, an all white neighborhood, by Meredith Gilbert, a male Negro, and his family, on March 1, 1967. Gilbert was evicted from his apartment at 2123 South Trumbull Avenue, as a result of eviction proceedings brought by the Atlas Realty Company, 125 South Independence Boulevard, Chicago. Meredith has been the co-ordinator of a rent strike being waged against Atlas by the Lawndale Union to End Slums (LUES), a part of the CFM - SCLC.

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Re: DEMONSTRATIONS,
CHICAGO FREEDOM MOVEMENT (CFM),
SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN
LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC),
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

On March 1, 1967, [redacted] Human Relations Unit, Chicago Police Department, advised at 4:30 p.m., that Gilbert, [redacted] had moved into an apartment at [redacted] during the early afternoon hours of this date. There had been no incidents or disturbances in connection with this move-in. The neighborhood has been and remains calm. [redacted] advised that the Chicago Police Department anticipates no problems at this point as a result of this move-in. [redacted] advised, however, that as a precaution, the Chicago Police Department is maintaining an extra patrol in this vicinity. [redacted] advised that this neighborhood is all white at the present time; however, there are a number of light industries in the area, employing Negroes. Consequently, Negroes are a familiar sight in this neighborhood and have moved freely through the area in the past with no problems.

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[redacted] advised that this neighborhood is commonly referred to as the Kedzie-Grace neighborhood and is not one of those in which civil rights marches took place during the summer of 1966 in Chicago, being located somewhat south of the area where such marches did cause considerable disturbances and disorders.

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(ATfile: 100-5586)
(DEfile: 100-31417R)

COUNCIL OF SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONCIL
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Source utilized in the LHM is [redacted]

Detroit will follow and report KING's activities while in Detroit.

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March 1, 1967

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Re: Martin Luther King, Jr.;
Council of Southern Christian
Leadership Council

On February 28, 1967, a source who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr. would appear at Central Methodist Church, Detroit, Michigan, on March 2 and 3, 1967, as one of the church's Lenten speakers. Source stated King's appearance in Detroit would be of a strictly religious nature. Source further stated that he knew of no planned racial activity by Reverend King while in Detroit.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-69567) (RUC)

SUBJECT: THE NATION INSTITUTE
MISCELLANEOUS
INFORMATION CONCERNING
OO: New York

Re Los Angeles airtel to the Bureau, dated 2/23/67. Southern Christian Leadership Conference

Enclosed for the Bureau are 12 copies of a letterhead memorandum dated and captioned as above.

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Information copies being furnished to Atlanta inasmuch as Atlanta is office of origin in the MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. case.

For the additional information of the Atlanta Office, on 2/28/67, [redacted] Intelligence Unit, Los Angeles, California, Police Department, advised that MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., accompanied by BERNARD LEE, have been registered at the Hyatt House, Los Angeles, California, and checked out 2/28/67. Their destination is unknown but they are expected to return to Los Angeles in the near future.

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THE NATION INSTITUTE
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Reference is made to Los Angeles, California, memorandum, dated February 23, 1967.

LA T-1 (2/27/67)

On February 25, 1967, a symposium sponsored by "The Nation" magazine was held at the Beverly Hilton Hotel, Beverly Hills, California. It was announced that "The Nation" is merging with "Frontier" magazine.

JAMES STORROW, publisher of "The Nation" magazine, introduced Senator GEORGE MC GOVERN (D-South Dakota). MC GOVERN claimed that the United States obsession with communism pulled us into the Vietnamese war. He pointed out that the United States has refused to allow even trade of non-strategic materials with Red China much less allow students to travel to mainland China. He claimed that we have been opposed to Red China being admitted to the United Nations but we have not opposed recognition of CHIANG KAI-SHEK's Government.

Senator MARK HATFIELD (R-Oregon) also spoke in opposition to the war in Vietnam but spent most of his time talking about hunger throughout the world. He claimed the 70 per cent of the developing nations of the world suffer from malnutrition and that the United States could do more good by helping to develop new sources of nutrition. HATFIELD brought out the fact that when he was governor, he was the only one of all the governors attending the July, 1966, National Governors' Conference at Century City in Los Angeles who opposed the resolution to support the administrations position on the war in Vietnam.

ROBERT VAUGHN, TV personality, introduced MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. KING stated that we are fighting an illegal war in Vietnam; and in addition to the other immoral aspects of

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any war, in Vietnam we are napalming helpless and innocent Vietnamese children. KING criticized the reasoning for our being in Vietnam to "stop communism." KING was critical of the high cost in the war in Vietnam and claimed that it costs $332,000 for each Viet Cong killed by American military men. KING stated "we have got to work for peace; but it is not enough to be for peace, we have got to get out and demonstrate and protest until it rocks the very foundations of this nation."

Senator EUGENE MC CARTHY (D-Minnesota) spoke briefly and stated that it was hard to justify war in Vietnam especially the napalm bombing of the children. He claimed that our objectives and purposes are not clear and are difficult to defend.

SEYMOUR MELMAN, Columbia University Professor, claimed that he was quoting from one of the military services newspaper (name unknown) stating that the United States intends to carry on more Vietnam wars. He pointed out that Lockheed Aircraft Corporation is building a transport capable of carrying 600 men. He stated that at that rate it would only take 20 pilots and 20 planes to carry 12,000 men. He claimed that it was obvious that the United States would have no use for such aircraft if it did not have the intention of becoming involved in the Vietnam-type wars. MELMAN criticized the 1968 budget for the expenditures for military appropriations.

MELMAN claimed that there will be a crisis in the value of the United States dollar in 1967. He was critical of the drain of gold in the United States Treasury and deficit spending. MELMAN felt that the best way to alleviate this situation was to stop the war in Vietnam and to cut down on the armed forces. MELMAN stated that in future elections we should give primary consideration on how we vote on the candidates who are in favor in giving up the Vietnam war, and are backing a conversion from a military to a peace economy.

Senator ERNEST GRUENING (D-Alaska) stated that he was one of the first people in Congress to oppose President JOHNSON's Foreign Policies. He called our presence in Vietnam unconstitutional.

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CECIL BROWN, NBC News Commentator, spoke on the main topic of the inability of the news media to bring the truth about the Vietnam war to the United States public. He claimed there is no real analysis of the news, and the news media has failed the public in this type of coverage.

MALCOLM BROWNE, Pulitzer Prize winner and Vietnam news correspondent, stated that he had married a Vietnamese girl while he was in Vietnam. BROWNE was critical of the United States participation in the war in Vietnam.

It was announced that a master tape recording of the days proceedings was being made, copies of which would be sent to every major college in the United States. Also that a special issue of "The Nation" magazine would be published with the major points made by the speakers of the day.

GIFFORD PHILLIPS stated that he was pleased with the merger of his magazine "Frontier" with the publication "The Nation" and was happy to be the assistant publisher of "The Nation."

A solicitation for contributions were made from those present. Everyone present received a copy of the 100th Anniversary issue of "The Nation" and were also given a copy of the quarterly publication "New University Thought", issue which was devoted to "Decisions for America - Priorities and Consequences."

An article entitled "4 Senators Call for U. S. Withdrawal from Vietnam War" appeared in the February 26, 1967, edition of the "Los Angeles Times" on page one. A xerox copy of this article is as follows:

4 Senators Call for U.S. Withdrawal From Vietnam War

BY RICHARD BERGHOLZ
Times Political Writer

Critics of U.S. policy in Vietnam assailed President Johnson at a day-long conference Saturday at the Beverly Hilton and, to varying degrees, called for disengagement from the war.

The session, sponsored by the liberal magazine, The Nation, concerned itself primarily with the problems of "redirecting American power." But the Vietnam war—and what to do about it—dominated the talks.

Featured speakers were Sens. Eugene McCarthy (D-Minn.), Mark Hatfield (R-Ore.), George McGovern (D-S.D.) and Ernest Gruening (D-Alaska), together with the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr., Pulitzer Prize-winning newsman Malcolm Browne and Columbia University's Prof. Seymour Melman.

Intervention Called Illegal

Sen. Gruening charged that U.S. intervention in South Vietnam is "illegal, unconstitutional and immoral—and no good can come from it." He said the United States should stop air attacks, negotiate directly with the Viet Cong and agree to withdraw American troops when a peace treaty is signed.

Equally outspoken in his criticism of U.S. war policy in Vietnam was Dr. King.

The Negro Nobel laureate claimed that "American planes are bombing the territory of another country, and we are committing atrocities equal to any perpetrated by the Viet Cong.

"All of this reveals that we are in an untenable position morally and politically.

"We are left standing before the world glutted by our barbarity.

"We are engaged in a war that seeks to turn the clock of history back and perpetuate colonialism.

Sees Shift in U.S. Role

"The greatest irony and tragedy of it all is that our nation, which initiated so much of the revolutionary spirit of the modern world, now is cast in the mold of being an arch anti-revolutionary."

A result of the Vietnam war is the lessening attention in this country to urgent domestic needs, Dr. King said.

"The security we profess to seek in foreign adventures we will lose in our decaying cities," he said.

What concerns him most, he added, is that a "frightful" war is being waged in the name of peace.

"When I see our country today intervening in what is basically a civil war, destroying hundreds of thousands of Vietnamese children with napalm, leaving broken bodies in countless fields and sending home half-men, mutilated, mentally and physically; when I see the recalcitrant unwillingness of our government to create the atmosphere for a negotiated settlement of this awful conflict by halting bombings in the north and agreeing to talk with the Viet Cong—and all of this in the name of pursuing the goal of peace—I tremble for our world."

Talks of Red China

McGovern concerned himself primarily with U.S. relations with Red China and called for efforts to relax tensions between the two nations.

The South Dakota senator called for a cultural exchange with Red China, relaxation of State Department restrictions on U.S. citizens' travel in Red China, an invitation to the Communists to join in disaramament and nuclear nonproliferation talks at Geneva and a policy decision by the United States to "abide by the judgment of the United Nations as to a possible solution to the Formosan problem."

Sen. McCarthy said, "We do not have (in the Vietnam war) the support of what is generally accepted as a decent opinion of mankind.

"Our objectives and purposes are not clear, not precise," he said. And napalm and bombing attacks on civilians "are much more difficult to defend than they were when we bombed civilians in retaliation" or in seeking out military targets in World War II, and used napalm as "a sophisticated weapon against an enemy using sophisticated weapons."

Browne, a veteran Vietnam war correspondent, charged that "America is a nation of ignoramuses with respect to Asia," that U.S. policy has been misguided and wrong.

"When America as a nation seeks to do battle with some of the wiliest politico-military foxes history has yet brought forward, it goes out hopelessly unarmed from an intellectual and psychological point of view," he said.

"Short of World War III we are not, under present circumstances, likely to achieve much by war in Asia," Browne said, adding that "in those circumstances, a complete American withdrawal from the Western Pacific might, in the long run, be the least of various evils."

Priorities Needed

Sen. Hatfield concentrated more on what he termed the need to redetermine the order of national priorities.

"Most important and basic of our national goals is liberty—for ourselves and for other people," he said. "We have narrowly defined this threat to liberty in terms of Communist aggression, and have failed to recognize that poverty and hunger can enslave a man as completely as the tyranny of communism."

Hatfield called for greater U.S. effort to solve problems of hunger and housing and education. He also repeated his demand that the draft be replaced by a form of voluntary military service, bolstered by increased financial incentives.

Melman, too, called for a redirection of American efforts to fulfill domestic needs.

James Storrow Jr., publisher of The Nation, said the conference was deliberately set up to include essentially one main point of view on the Vietnam war. No defenders of President Johnson's policies or advocates of war escalation were invited, he said.

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An article entitled "Red China Plea, Senators Rap U. S. Policy" appeared in the February 25, 1967, edition of the "Herald Examiner", Los Angeles, California, on page A-4. An article entitled "Critics of U. S. Policies, New Look Asked at War in Viet" appeared in the February 26, 1967, edition of the "Herald Examiner", Los Angeles, California, on page B-8. Both of these articles appeared to be similar to the article previously set forth.

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Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-438794)

DATE: MAR 8 - 1967

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-149194) (P)

SUBJECT: COMINFIL SCLC
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Re Atlanta airtel 2/24/67, captioned as above.

Enclosed for Louisville is one copy each of photos of [redacted] STANLEY LEVISON, BAYARD RUSTIN, and HARRY WACHTEL.

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The following are composite descriptions of the individuals scheduled to attend the SCLC board meeting in Louisville during the latter part of March, 1967, as indicated in referenced airtel.

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1. [redacted]

Sex	Male
Race	Negro
Date of Birth	[redacted]
Place of Birth	KY
Height	
Weight	
Hair	Black
Eyes	Brown

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2. STANLEY DAVID LEVISON

Sex	Male
Race	Caucasian
Date of Birth	5/2/12
Place of Birth	New York City
Height	Five feet, seven - eight inches
Weight	150 - 160 pounds
Build	Medium
Hair	Brown
Eyes	Brown
Complexion	Fair
Peculiarities	Wears glasses

3. BAYARD RUSTIN

Sex	Male
Race	Negro
Date of Birth	3/17/13
Place of Birth	West Chester, Pennsylvania
Height	Six feet
Weight	175 pounds
Build	Medium
Hair	Black
Eyes	Brown
Scars and Marks	Two inch scar, middle right cheek

4. HARRY WACHTEL

Sex	Male
Race	Caucasian
Date of Birth	3/26/17
Place of Birth	Brooklyn, New York
Height	Five feet, five and one-half inches
Weight	160 pounds
Eyes	Blue
Hair	Brown

New York will remain alert for further information concerning attendance at this board meeting.

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TO DIRECTOR

FROM CHICAGO (157-1261)

DEMONSTRATIONS, CHICAGO FREEDOM MOVEMENT (CFM) - SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC) - RM.

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Enclosed are ten copies of a LHM containing information received from NY 3810-S*, a source close to STANLEY LEVISON, and from observing activities at the building located at 598 Madison Avenue, NY, NY. Two copies are enclosed for the Atlanta Office.

NY 694-S* was the source used in the characterization of STANLEY LEVISON.

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1. Anonymous source of WFO in report of SA [redacted] 7/19/59, at WFO. b6 b7C

2. NY 1190-S*. (U) (U) (U) (U)

NY 2359-S*, NY 4212-S* and [redacted] were the sources used in the characterization of BAYARD RUSTIN. (U) b7D

Supervisor RAYMOND J. RUCKEL and SA [redacted] were the SAS referred to in the LHM. b6 b7C

This LHM is classified "~~Secret~~" because it contains information from NY 3810-S*, a source which furnishes information of a highly sensitive nature about racial matters in the US and the Communist infiltration thereof; and because the characterization of STANLEY LEVISON contains a concentration of information from NY 694-S*. (S)

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New York, New York

March 7, 1967

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A confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on March 1, 1967, that information had come to his attention which disclosed that Stanley Levison and Clarence Jones, advisors to Martin Luther King and the SCLC, were in contact on that date. Levison just wanted to remind Jones that a meeting of the SCLC Research Committee would be held on Monday, March 6, 1967, in New York City. Jones, at Levison's request, promised to attend.

On March 6, 1967, the same source furnished information which disclosed that the meeting of the Research Committee of the SCLC would take place on that date, commencing at 1:30 p.m. in the office of Harry Wachtel, 598 Madison Avenue, New York, New York. According to the source, Levison planned to attend along with other advisors of Martin Luther King.

On March 6, 1967, Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) observed the following individuals enter the building at 598 Madison Avenue, New York, New York, wherein

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Wachtel has his law office: Cleveland Robinson, the Secretary-Treasurer of Local 65, Wholesale, Retail and Department Store Workers, American Federation of Labor-Congress of Industrial Organization (AFL-CIO), at 1:25 p.m.; Stanley Levison and an unknown Negro male, at 1:40 p.m.; Martin Luther King, Jr., Andrew Young and an unknown Negro female, at 1:43 p.m.; and Bayard Rustin at 2:30 p.m.

Stanley Levison

A confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised in April, 1964, that Stanley Levison was a secret member of the Communist Party, United States of America (CP, USA), in July, 1963. In late 1963, and early 1964, he criticized the CP for not being sufficiently militant in the civil rights struggle. Levison was described by certain CP leaders as being to the "left" of the CP in his position on civil rights. His differences with the CP, however, are merely tactical and he continues his ideological adherence to Communism.

Clarence Jones

Clarence Jones is the General Counsel to 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 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.

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

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~~Harry Wachtel~~ MR. HARRY H. WACHTEL

Harry Wachtel is MEMBER OF the Executive Vice-President of the Gandhi Society for Human Rights, New York, New York.

A confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, furnished information in December, 1949, that Harry H. Wachtel, 41 Broad Street, New York, New York, was on a list of individuals carried as active members of the National Lawyers Guild. ~~&~~ U

A characterization of the National Lawyers Guild is attached hereto.

On March 5, 1944, another confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, furnished information which revealed that the name Harry Wachtel was on a list of names, significance not known, which was maintained at the Headquarters of the Kings County Communist Party (CP) at 26 Court Street, Brooklyn, New York. ~~&~~ (U)

Regarding Harry Wachtel's wife, Leonora, WACHTEL it is noted that the same confidential source furnished information on March 5, 1944, which revealed that her name and address were on a list of names of newly elected officers of the Bath Beach Club of the Kings County CP. ~~&~~ (U) NY

MEMBER OF COMMUNIST PARTY

With respect to the Gandhi Society for Human Rights, it is to be noted that this organization is an adjunct of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, of which Martin Luther King, Jr., is the president, and serves to raise funds forthe SCLC.

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Bayard Rustin

In "The Saturday Evening Post", issue of July 11-18, 1964, page 76, Bayard Rustin is the subject of a feature article captioned: "The Lone Wolf of Civil Rights." In it, Rustin is said to have come to New York in 1938, as an organizer for the Young Communist League (YCL), and as such, he had the job of recruiting students for the "Party." Furthermore, the article reports that during his first years in New York, Rustin gave most of his earnings to the "Party." He reportedly left the "Party" in 1941, the article states.

The YCL has been designated pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

The "Daily Worker", February 11, 1957, page 1, column 2, reported that Bayard Rustin, Executive Secretary, War Resisters League, was an observer at the 16th National Convention of the Communist Party, United States of America, (CP, USA), held in New York City, on February 9-11, 1957.

The "Daily Worker" was an East Coast Communist publication until it ceased publication on January 13, 1958.

A confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on September 25, 1963, that during a meeting of the National Board, CP, USA, on that date, Benjamin J. Davis remarked that, "Rustin calls me constantly--openly."

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Another confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on February 19, 20, 1964, that Bayard Rustin contacted Benjamin J. Davis on those dates and sought his advice as to how he could escape from a speaking engagement to which he was committed. On the latter contact, Davis told Rustin that he was working on his request and had contacted friends who had contacts with the group to which Rustin was to speak. (U)

A confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on January 21, 1964, that as of that date, Benjamin J. Davis was National Secretary of the CP, USA. (U)

"The New York Times", August 24, 1964, page 27, column 4, reports that Benjamin J. Davis, National Secretary, CP, USA, died in New York City on the night of August 22, 1964. (U)

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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 related 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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Re Atlanta airtel to Bureau 2/28/67.

On 3/9/67, [redacted] Boston, Mass., advised an established source of Boston [redacted] that Northeast Leasing of Boston, Inc., 874 Commonwealth Ave., Boston, is considered a disreputable outfit in the trade and "sharp operators".

[redacted] through a contact of his in [redacted]

[redacted] stated that although [redacted] is known personally to him and liked by him he would hesitate to recommend a personal contact by the FBI with [redacted] on a confidential matter.

If this information is disseminated, [redacted] requests his identity be concealed to protect his source [redacted]

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CHICAGO, ILLINOIS
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(Chicago file 157-1261)

COORDINATING COUNCIL FOR
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Re Chicago tels 3/4/67 and 3/5/67; Chicago airtel and LHM, 3/2/67 under the caption, "Demonstrations, Chicago Freedom Movement (CFM) - Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) Chicago, Illinois Racial Matter."

Enclosed for the Bureau are twelve copies of an LHM concerning the captioned matters. A copy is being provided Atlanta for information and as indicated in the enclosed, copies are being provided to Secret Service, the U.S. Attorney and military authorities locally.

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Sources utilized in the enclosed are as follows: eu

Source One [redacted] b6 b7C b7D

Source Two [redacted] (Request)

Chicago is following these matters closely and the Bureau and any interested offices will be appropriately provided with any subsequent pertinent developments.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
Chicago, Illinois
March 6, 1967

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DEMONSTRATIONS,
CHICAGO FREEDOM MOVEMENT (CFM) -
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RACIAL MATTER

Reference is made to Chicago memorandum of March 2, 1967, captioned "Demonstrations, Chicago Freedom Movement (CFM) - Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) Chicago, Illinois Racial Matter." This memorandum reflected in part the move-in of Meredith Gilbert, male Negro, to an apartment located at 3491 North Elston Avenue, Chicago, an all white residential neighborhood on March 1, 1967.

[redacted] Deputy Superintendent's Office, Chicago Police Department, advised in the early morning hours of March 4, 1967, that during the previous evening Gilbert had returned to the apartment at 3491 North Elston Avenue and had been unable to enter the apartment here since the landlord of these premises had changed all the locks. [redacted] continued that Gilbert proceeded to gain entrance to this apartment by breaking down the door. Meredith Gilbert had subsequently been [redacted]

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[redacted] stated that no crowd had gathered as a result of the above incident, and there had been no disturbances or disorders during [redacted] of Gilbert. b6 b7C b7D

On March 6, 1967, [redacted] Human Relations Unit, Chicago Police Department, was contacted relative to [redacted] of Gilbert. He advised that he had no information concerning [redacted] concerning Gilbert. He did advise, however, that the Police Department had originally understood that Gilbert had rented the apartment at 3491 North Elston himself and that the landlord of these premises had been aware that Gilbert was a Negro. [redacted] advised however that this had not been the case and made available a police department investigation report, dated March 2, 1967, which reflects an interview by a Chicago Police Officer with an Arthur Vincent Cunningham, a white male, 4949 West Carmen Avenue, who identified himself as the owner of the premises at 3491 North Elston. On this date Cunningham had advised that the apartment here subsequently occupied by Gilbert and his family had been rented from him through subterfuge in that on February 27, 1967 a white man had visited him, identified himself as Gilbert and advised that he desired to rent a vacant apartment here for himself, his wife and two children. At this time this white male had made a ten dollar deposit on the apartment and Cunningham had given him a key to the premises.

Cunningham advised that his first subsequent indication that Meredith Gilbert was in fact a Negro was on March 1, 1967 when he had been contacted by a neighbor who had advised him that a Negro male was moving into the apartment at 3491 North Elston Avenue. This individual had subsequently advised Cunningham that he was Meredith Gilbert, that he was the man who rented the apartment and showed Cunningham the receipt that he had received for this rental. In the interim, Cunningham had received a money order at his home for the balance of this rental for one month, in the amount of $72.50 Cunningham advised on March 2, 1967 that he had attempted to get Gilbert and his family to leave the premises here but they refused to honor his demand. The officers contacting Cunningham had advised him that this was a civil matter and that he should obtain the services of an attorney to initiate the procedures for evicting these tenants if he so

desired. Cunningham had advised that he had retained an attorney who had not as yet decided what action to take.

On March 6, 1967, a confidential source who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that he had learned on this date that Gilbert [redacted] b6 b7C [redacted] Source advised that Meredith Gilbert has a brother, Fred Gilbert, who under a similar type subterfuge as that employed by Meredith Gilbert, has rented an apartment at 4734 North Drake Avenue, Chicago. Fred Gilbert continues to state that he will soon move into this all white neighborhood, the Belmont-Cragin area, however no specific date is as yet known for this move-in.

On March 5, 1967, [redacted] Office b6 b7C b7D of the Deputy Superintendent, Chicago Police Department, advised that between the hours of twelve noon to 1:30 p.m. on this date nine pickets believed to be representing the Lawndale Union to End Slums had picketed the State Certified Supermart, 3032 West Madison Avenue, Chicago. The Lawndale Union to End Slums is a part of the CFM-SCLC in Chicago and it might be noted additionally that both Fred and Meredith Gilbert have been associated with the Lawndale Union to End Slums and the CFM generally.

In connection with the March 5, 1967 demonstration, [redacted] advised that nine individuals appeared for this b6 b7C demonstration, carrying signs reading "Black Power, Stop -- b7D Don't Shop, Rehire Back Sister Bonita Mathews." These pickets attracted very little attention, according to [redacted] and there had been no incidents or disorders connected with the demonstration. [redacted] advised that the demonstration had generally been in protest of high prices charged at this supermart and that it was the understanding of the Chicago

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Police Department that Bonita Mathews was a former employee of this business establishment who had just recently been terminated from her employment there.

[redacted] above, contacted on March 6, 1967 advised that it was his understanding that the group which had picketed the State Certified Supermart, above, had actually been individuals associated with the Coordinating Council for Black Power (CCBP). The CCBP is a loose amalgamation of individuals and organizations actively supporting "Black Power" philosophy. The CCBP is composed in part of such organizations as the Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee, the Deacons of Defense and Justice, Inc. and ACT, a militant civil rights group primarily active on Chicago's West side.

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A second confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past and who is familiar with the activities of the CCBP, advised on March 6, 1967 [redacted] that individuals associated with this group had picketed briefly the previous day at the State Certified Supermart, 3032 West Madison Street, Chicago. The picketing had been in protest of high prices and inferior quality products available here as well as the allegedly unfair firing of a Negro female employee, a reference to Bonita Mathews.

This source also advised of the formation of an organization known as "Garfield Organizations" (GO), as a political outgrowth of the CCBP. GO is composed of members of ACT, the Deacons of Defense and Justice, Inc. and is headed by Curtis Foster, an independent Negro candidate for alderman from the 28th Ward in the recent aldermanic elections in Chicago. The purpose of this organization is to attempt to develop a neighborhood group in the Garfield Park area of Chicago which will involve itself in community and political activities on a day to day basis as well as various local elections, in the latter instance attempting to encourage support for suitable Negro candidates. GO will attempt to capitalize upon issues as they arise which will be of interest to the ghetto population in the Negro slum areas of Chicago.

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Pertinent portions of the above information were provided on March 4 and March 5, 1967 to representatives of Secret Service and the Office of the United States Attorney, Chicago, and to Region 1, 113th MI Group, Evanston, Illinois. A copy of this memorandum is being provided for each of these agencies.

CCBP MEMBERS ARE KNOWN TO BE IN POSSESSION OF OF FIREARMS AND SHOULD BE CONSIDERED POSSIBLY DANGEROUS.

A characterization of the Deacons of Defense and Justice, Inc. is being attached to this memorandum.

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DEACONS OF DEFENSE AND JUSTICE, INC.,
Aka. Deacons for Defense and Justice, Inc.

The Articles of Incorporation of the Deacons of Defense and Justice (DDJ) as on file with the Secretary of State, for the State of Louisiana, reflects that the Deacons of Defense and Justice, Inc., is a Louisiana corporation domiciled at Jonesboro, Louisiana. The location and business office address of its registered office shall be Amos Service Station (rear), Beach Spring Road, Drawer B., Jonesboro, Louisiana.

"This corporation is organized for the following purposes and to carry on the following purposes:"

"To instruct, train, teach and educate Citizens of the United States and especially minority groups in the fundamental principles of the republican form of government and our democratic way of life; to instruct, teach, train and educate said persons in the provisions of the constitution and laws of the United States and the State of Louisiana, as well as the constitution and laws of any other state wherein this corporation may operate; to instruct, teach, train and educate said persons in the use, value, and purpose of the ballot and the right to vote; to instruct, teach, train and educate said persons as to the duties and responsibilities of good citizenship relative to the obligation and duties of the community to the citizen; to further instruct, teach, train and educate said persons in the value of economic security and in the effective use of their spending power; to inspire in said persons a sense of responsibility and to develop leadership. This corporation has for its further purpose, and is dedicated to, the defense of the civil rights, property rights and personal rights of said people and will defend said rights by any and all honorable and legal means to the end that justice may be obtained. This corporation may establish chapters and conduct its business at any place in this State and elsewhere as permitted by law."

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Detroit, Michigan
March 7, 1967

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Re: Martin Luther King, Jr.;
Communist Infiltration of
Southern Christian Leadership
Council

On March 5, 1967, a source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr. did not speak at the Central Methodist Church, Detroit, Michigan, on March 2 and 3, 1967, as scheduled. The source stated King was unable to fulfill the speaking engagement because of previous committments. Source stated he knew of no future planned appearance of King in Detroit.

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IC [redacted] caused a search to be made of the files of The Credit Bureau, Inc., Washington, D.C., and was advised on 3/3/67 that a satisfactory credit record was located concerning THOMAS E. OFFENBURGER. The credit report was dated 5/27/64, and showed OFFENBURGER's address as 5528 Hyde Park Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois. It indicated that he had previously resided at 3707 Woodley Road, N.W., Washington, D.C. His age in 1964 was listed as approximately "30's." The credit report indicated that he had been employed as a reporter since December, 1956, by the "United States News and World Report" at a salary of $350 per month. b6 b7C

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Arlington County, Virginia, PD	IC [redacted]	3/3/67
U.S. Park Police, WDC	IC [redacted]	3/3/67
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Enclosed are ten copies of an LHM containing information from NY 3810-S* and [redacted] and in that order. Two copies are enclosed for the Atlanta Office and one for information of Baltimore. b6 b7C b7D

Sources used to characterize individuals mentioned in the LHM were:

STANLEY LEVISON, NY 694-S*; HARRY WACHTEL, Anonymous source of WFO in report of SA [redacted] 7/19/59, at WFO and NY 1190-S*; BAYARD RUSTIN, NY 2359-S* and NY 4212-S*, and [redacted] were the sources used to characterize RUSTIN; LOUIS BUDENZ and [redacted] were the sources who furnished the information in the characterization of LAWRENCE REDDICK.

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82-0611 Stanley Levison re: King, MLK

Communist Infiltration of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC)
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On March 6, 1967, a confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that information had come to his attention which disclosed that on that date, Stanley Levison was in contact with a man whose name was unknown to the source. Levison took the opportunity to apprise the man about a meeting of the Research Committee, SCLC, which he attended that date. The meeting, according to Levison, was held in the law office of Harry Wachtel, 598 Madison Avenue, New York, New York, and was attended by the following people: Wachtel, Levison, Martin Luther King, Bayard Rustin, James Bevel, Doctor Lawrence Reddick and Robert Green, a professor from Michigan State, and others whom Levison did not identify. U

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According to the information received by the source, one of the items considered by the participants in the conference was, whether Martin Luther King should participate in the "march" scheduled for this Spring in New York to protest United States involvement in Vietnam. Everyone was opposed to King's becoming involved except James Bevel. It was King's feeling that he would be considered a coward unless he became involved. However, King decided to think about the matter for a couple of days before making a final decision. U

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With regard to the "march" referred to, it is noted that another confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised in early February, 1967, that James Bevel, Director of the Chicago SCLC staff since its inception in Chicago in the Fall of 1965, was to take a leave of absence for six to nine months to work in New York City with a group advocating peace in Vietnam.

An Associated Press dispatch dated January 28, 1967, appearing in the "Ithaca Journal", a daily newspaper published in Ithaca, New York, indicated Reverend James L. Bevel had been selected as the National Director of the Spring Mobilization Committee in order to emphasize the recruitment of Negroes and civil rights workers. This committee was organized to coordinate demonstrations against the war in Vietnam, scheduled for April 15, 1967, in New York City.

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On March 6, 1967, the first source reported above, furnished information that Stanley Levison and William Stein, a fund raiser for the SCLC, were in contact on that date. It was during their contact that Levison made mention of the fact that he would be going to Atlanta, Georgia on March 8, 1967, to attend a meeting of the SCLC, which is being held to re-organize the SCLC. U

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On March 7, 1967, the same source advised that Levison and Adele Kantor, the Director of the SCLC Office in New York City, New York, had reason to be in contact on that date. During their contact Levison apprised Kantor of the meeting of the SCLC to be held in Atlanta, Georgia on March 9 - 10, 1967, the purpose of which will be to discuss a profound reorganization of the SCLC. Those who will attend will be the members of the Executive Committee and the Executive Staff. U

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In assuring Kantor that her status with the SCLC will not change, Levison mentioned that King had come to a realization that a re-organization must be made. King, according to Levison, has watched one project after another run into a stone wall, like Hosea Williams in Chicago and others. King has come to a conclusion that his people should not make decisions on their own. U

The source said he had learned that Levison will stay at Paschal's Motor Hotel while in Atlanta, Georgia. U

On March 7, 1967, according to the same source, Martin Luther King and Stanley Levison were in contact. Among the items of business discussed by them was King's attendance at a fund raising dinner in New York several days ago. The dinner was attended by about twenty people, and the SCLC derived approximately $17,000 and pledges for another $35,000.00 to be paid over a period of three years. One of those who pledged $15,000.00 of the $35,000.00 was Mr. Englehard, the owner of Englehard Industries. U

King was cautioned by Levison against getting involved with Englehard, since he owns extensive holdings in South Africa and Rhodesia, therefore, he could be using the SCLC to get the curse off his back. Levison will do some checking on his own before giving King approval to deal with Englehard. U

USA The affair which King attended was held in the home of a Mr. Burden, who is reportedly the son of the principal stockholder in the Columbia Broadcasting System. After hearing that, Levison was of the opinion that Burden should be contacted periodically in order to keep up the contact. It was King's belief that the Executive Director of the SCLC should make such contact; however, according to King, he is trying to fill the post in view of the fact that Andrew Young is always out of town on business. U

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Another matter considered was the candidacy of James Meredith for the vacant Congressional seat of Adam Clayton Powell. Levison was of the opinion that Meredith is as opportunistic as Powell. Both concurred that Powell will beat Meredith awfully bad.

A confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised in April, 1964, that Stanley Levison was a secret member of the Communist Party, United States of America (CP, USA) in July, 1963. In late 1963 and early 1964, he criticized the CP for not being sufficiently militant in the civil rights struggle. Levison was described by certain CP leaders as being to the "left" of the CP in his position on civil rights. His differences with the CP, however, are merely tactical and he continued his ideological adherence to communism.

Harry Wachtel is the Executive Vice President of the Ghandi Society for Human Rights, New York, New York.

A confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, furnished information in December, 1949, that Harry H. Wachtel, 41 Broad Street, New York, New York, was on a list of individuals carried as active members of the National Lawyers Guild.

A characterization of the National Lawyers Guild is attached hereto.

On March 5, 1944, another confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, furnished information which revealed that the name Harry Wachtel was on a list of names, significance not known, which was maintained at the Headquarters of the Kings County Communist Party (CP) at 26 Court Street, Brooklyn, New York.

Regarding Harry Wachtel's wife, Leonora, it is noted that the same confidential source furnished information on March 5, 1944, which revealed that her name and address were on a list of names of newly elected officers of the Bath Beach Club of the Kings County CP. (U)

With respect to the Gandhi Society for Human Rights, it is to be noted that this organization is an adjunct of the SCLC of which Martin Luther King, Jr., is the president, and serves to raise funds for the SCLC.

In "The Saturday Evening Post", issue of July 11-18, 1964, page 76, Bayard Rustin is the subject of a feature article captioned: "The Lone Wolf of Civil Rights". In it, Rustin is said to have come to New York in 1938, as an organizer for the Young Communist League (YCL), and as such, he had the job of recruiting students for the "Party". Furthermore, the article reports that during his first years in New York, Rustin gave most of his earnings to the "Party". He reportedly left the "Party" in 1941, the article states.

The YCL has been designated pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

The "Daily Worker", February 11, 1957, page one, column two, reported that Bayard Rustin, Executive Secretary, War Resisters League, was an observer at the 16th National Convention of the CP, United States of America, held in New York City, on February 9-12, 1957.

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The "Daily Worker" was an East Coast Communist publication until it ceased publication on January 13, 1958.

A confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on September 25, 1963, that during a meeting of the National Board, CP, USA, on that date, Benjamin J. Davis remarked that, "Rustin calls me constantly--openly." (U)

Another confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on February 19, 20, 1964, that Bayard Rustin contacted Benjamin J. Davis on those dates and sought his advice as to how he could escape from a speaking engagement to which he was committed. On the latter contact, Davis told Rustin that he was working on his request and had contacted friends who had contacts with the group to which Rustin was to speak. (U)

A confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on January 21, 1964, that as of that date, Benjamin J. Davis was National Secretary of the CP, USA. (U)

"The New York Times", August 24, 1964, page 27, column four, reports that Benjamin J. Davis, National Secretary, CP, USA, died in New York City on the night of August 22, 1964.

A confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on July 5, 1950, that he knew Lawrence Reddick as a concealed member of the Communist Party.

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On February 5 and 11, 1954, Lawrence Dunbar Reddick was interviewed by Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) at Atlanta, Georgia. He, at that time, stated that he was not, and had never been, a member of, or a sympathizer with, the CP.

A confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that on January 18, 1964, Dr. Lawrence Reddick visited with Benjamin J. Davis at the home of Jacob Green, State Chairman of the CP in Maryland. During conversation between Reddick and Davis it was mentioned that they had attended school together in Georgia, and Reddick commented that if he had stayed with Davis, he would have also joined the CP. (X) 4

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APPENDIX

1.
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 related 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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Re Chicago airtel and LHM of 3/6/67, under the captions, "Demonstrations, Chicago Freedom Movement (CFM) - Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), Chicago, Illinois, RM", and "Coordinating Council for Black Power (CCBP), RM".

Enclosed for the Bureau are twelve (12) copies of a letterhead memorandum concerning captioned matters. Copies to Atlanta as noted for information.

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The source utilized in the enclosed is [redacted]

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RACIAL MATTER

Reference is made to Chicago memorandum of March 6, 1967, submitted under the following captions: "Demonstrations, Chicago Freedom Movement (CFM) - Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), Chicago, Illinois, Racial Matter," and "Coordinating Council for Black Power (CCBP), Racial Matter."

A confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on March 10, 1967, as follows:

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On March 9, 1967, a meeting was held at the headquarters of the West Side Organization (WSO), 1527 West Roosevelt Road, Chicago. Persons present at this meeting represented a number of local Chicago civil rights organizations such as the SCLC, the WSO, the Englewood Action Committee (EAC) and JOIN. The meeting generally was an effort to organize a comprehensive and coordinated approach to local civil rights activities and to discuss the direction civil rights activities might take in the coming months. It was agreed that the principal point of concentration should be the various urban renewal programs which are in effect in various parts of the city, whereby a number of neighborhoods, in many cases predominantly Negro, are being razed for industrial or business type purposes. An example of this was cited as the Englewood area on Chicago's south side in the vicinity of 63rd and Halsted where an urban renewal program being pushed by the city is expected to re-locate literally hundreds of Negro residents of this area. The housing here will be replaced by parking and shopping facilities for the benefit of the Englewood business interests. 4 4

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The Englewood urban renewal program is being carried on over the objections of the residents of this community who feel that they were not consulted prior to the approval of this project. In most of the neighborhoods where these projects are being undertaken, the local residents are not being consulted, or their viewpoints are not being given any weighty consideration by those local and federal authorities who are responsible for the urban renewal program. Another area cited where Negro and other minority groups will be ultimately displaced was the Maxwell-Roosevelt-Halsted area on Chicago's near west side. It was agreed by those present that such issues as this offer opportunity to rally these communities, and it is anticipated that in the coming months the issue will be of sufficient significance that the civil rights forces locally will be able to capitalize on them and explore methods of reflecting the views of these local communities through demonstrations, boycotts and picketing type activities. CFM

No concrete program was developed at this particular meeting, however, it was agreed that on March 14, 1967, a subsequent meeting will be held at 3101 West Warren Avenue, Chicago, local headquarters of the SCLC, where specific proposals for action, around the urban renewal issue, will be presented to Dr. Martin Luther King for his consideration and possible approval. It is known that Dr. King, President of the SCLC, will be in Chicago on that date and it is believed likely that at that time he will also reveal plans concerning the future organization and responsibilities of the local SCLC staff. This source advised that it is known that an Executive Staff meeting of the SCLC was held in Atlanta, Georgia, on March 8 and 9, 1967, and it is understood that the re-organization of the Chicago SCLC staff was to be one of the topics discussed. This re-organization has become essential since the departure of James Bevel, former SCLC Chicago Staff Director, who has taken a leave of absence from the SCLC to work for a period of six to nine months in the anti-Vietnam war movement. It is known that Stoney Cooks, Acting Director of the local SCLC, attended the Atlanta meetings. LCA

Referenced memorandum, in part, pertained to a move-in to a previously all white neighborhood on Chicago's northwest side by Meredith Gilbert, a Negro male, and his family.

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RE: SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC)

DEMONSTRATIONS, CHICAGO FREEDOM MOVEMENT (CFM) - SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC), CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

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This memorandum also reflected that Gilbert had been arrested on March 4, 1967, as a result of breaking into the apartment at 3491 North Elston Avenue, after the landlord had changed locks on apartment doors. Gilbert had been subsequently released on bond after a hearing on these charges on March 4, 1967, in Chicago's Holiday Court.

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On March 10, 1967, [redacted] Human Relations Unit, Chicago Police Department, advised that Meredith Gilbert moved back into the apartment at 3491 North Elston on Sunday, March 5, 1967, with his family and remains there as of March 10, 1967. [redacted] advised that it is his understanding the landlord here is pursuing eviction proceedings against Gilbert, however, no date is known to have been set for a hearing for such eviction proceedings. He advised that in the early morning hours of March 8, 1967, a brick was thrown threw the rear kitchen window of this apartment, however, there have been no other incidents in the neighborhood. The Human Relations Unit has also learned, as a result of contacts with the landlord here, Mr. Arthur V. Cunningham, residence 4949 West Carmen Street, that on the evening of the date Gilbert had moved into this apartment, March 1, 1967, Cunningham had received a threatening phone call. Cunningham had subsequently advised Human Relations Unit officers that the call was from a male individual, believed by him to be a Negro, who had stated to the effect that if anything happened to the Negro family moving into Cunningham's building at 3491 North Elston, the caller would kill Cunningham's entire family. No subsequent similar calls have been received according to [redacted] who advised that this area is generally calm and no problems or disturbances at present are anticipated by the Police Department.

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Regarding Fred Gilbert, brother of Meredith Gilbert, [redacted] advised that no information is available reflecting when he is to move into an apartment rented for him at 4734 North Drake Avenue, also an all white neighborhood in the Belmont-Cragin neighborhood. [redacted] advised it was his understanding that Gilbert had intended to move into this apartment on March 8, 1967, but had subsequently changed his plans. He advised that the Human Relations Unit is in daily contact with Fred Gilbert relative to this move-in. Both Fred Gilbert and Meredith

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Gilbert are associated with the Lawndale Union to End Slums (LUES), a part of the CFM-SCLC, the LUES created in late 1965 and early 1966 by SCLC staff workers then in Chicago. It is commonly referred to as a tenants union, whereby residents of slum tenement dwellings unite in order to deal more effectively with so-called slum landlords.

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[redacted] continued that information available to the Human Relations Unit reflects that a sister organization of the LUES, the East Garfield Park Union to End Slums (EGPUES), will soon begin a similar program of move-ins to previously all white Chicago neighborhoods. Sites for such move-ins will be in the Chicago Lawn and Gage Park residential areas on Chicago's southwest side, all white neighborhoods, the scene of disorder during civil rights marches in the summer of 1966 in Chicago. [redacted] advised that the best available information is that these move-ins are not scheduled to begin until late March or early April, 1967.

Copies of this memorandum are being provided to United States Secret Service and the United States Attorney, Chicago, and to Region I, 113th MI Group, Evanston, Illinois.

JOIN, referred to previously, is Jobs or Income Now, the community action branch of Students for a Democratic Society (SDS).

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Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-438794) DATE: 3/16/67

FROM : SAC, LOUISVILLE (157-90)

SUBJECT: COMINFIL OF SCLC
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Southern Christian Leadership Conference

Re Atlanta airtel dated 2/27/67, requesting Louisville furnish descriptive data and if possible a photograph of E. RANDAL T. OSBURN [redacted] b7D

Enclosed for Atlanta is a copy of a photograph of OSBURN which appeared in the March 6, 1967, issue of the Louisville Times.

For the information of the Bureau, OSBURN is believed identical with victim EDGAR RANDAL TRUMAN OSBURN in the matter entitled "UNSUB; Ritz Cafe, Greensboro, Alabama; THOMAS BUSH; ET AL - VICTIM; PUBLIC ACCOMMODATIONS, CRA, 1964.

For the information of Atlanta, OSBURN was interviewed by the Cleveland Office on November 1, 1966, in connection with the above matter. He stated he was then in Cleveland residing with his brother ROLAND OSBURN, 10923 Hull Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio. He advised he is a member of SCLC.

The following description of OSBURN was obtained in connection with the interview:

Race:	Negro
Sex:	Male
Born:	October 11, 1945
Height:	5' 7"
Weight:	135
Hair:	Black
Eyes:	Brown, wears glasses
Complexion:	Medium brown
Scars:	1" scar on the right side of upper forehead
Occupation:	Co-ordinator for SCLC, Atlanta, Georgia
Present Address:	c/o Mrs. BRADY RUSSELL, sister, 3119 21st St., Tuscaloosa, Alabama.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-438794)

FROM: SAC, ATLANTA (100-5718)

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Re Atlanta airtel to Bureau 2/24/67 captioned as above.

On 3/13/67 [redacted] advised that at an SCLC Steering Committee meeting held that date MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., President, SCLC, announced that the forthcoming SCLC Board Meeting will be held in Louisville, Ky., 3/29-31/67. Informant advised on this occasion KING mentioned no further details regarding this matter.

NO ACTION SHOULD BE PREDICATED UPON INFORMATION FURNISHED BY [redacted] WHICH MIGHT COMPROMISE HIS SECURITY. INFORMATION FURNISHED BY [redacted] MUST BE CLASSIFIED CONFIDENTIAL. THE FOREGOING RESTRICTION AND CLASSIFICATION ARE JUSTIFIED [redacted]

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-106670)

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (100-35356)

SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
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Enclosed for the Bureau are 15 copies and for Atlanta two copies of a letterhead memorandum (LHM) which sets forth information concerning the above captioned individual.

Source utilized in the preparation of the LHM is [redacted] (U)

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This LHM has been classified "~~Confidential~~" because information furnished by [redacted] could reasonably result in the identification of this confidential informant and if identified could compromise future effectiveness thereof. X (U)

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7 - Chicago
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1 - 105-16238 (COMINFIL - SCLC)
1 - 100-40703 (COMINFIL - CCCO)
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MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
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Source advised on March 10, 1967, that at a meeting of the Political Action Committee of the Communist Party (CP) of Illinois which was held in Chicago, Illinois, on March 8, 1967, a discussion was held concerning Martin Luther King, Jr. Source stated that during this discussion it was indicated that at the present time there was a move underway to set up a National Peace Ticket for the 1968 Presidential election on which Martin Luther King would run for President of the United States. Source added that it was further indicated at the aforementioned meeting that to formulate plans for this National Peace Ticket, top leaders in the Negro movement from various areas of the United States are reportedly gathering in one of the southern states to discuss King's possible candidacy on the National Peace Ticket. However, according to source no additional details were mentioned with respect to the aforementioned matter.

Source further advised that it was further indicated at this CP of Illinois Political Action Committee meeting that elements of the right wing of the civil rights movement, not further described, are endeavoring at the present time to force Martin Luther King out of Chicago, Illinois, this summer. It was stated that it was believed that the Daley machine (Mayor Richard Daley) is behind this move inasmuch as Mayor Daley, supposedly,

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has been approached by several leaders of the Democratic National Convention Committee to locate a site for the 1968 Democratic National Convention and that these people, in effect, have given Mayor Daley some kind of message that if Chicago is to be another Watts (Los Angeles, California, 1965 Watts riot) they would not consider holding the 1968 Democratic National Convention in Chicago. Therefore, according to source, pressure is being exerted on Mayor Daley to see that this will not be the case.

According to source, it was also indicated at this meeting that it was believed that President Lyndon Johnson is making his influence felt in pressuring Martin Luther King to stay out of Chicago because of King's connection with the National Peace Ticket. Source added that it was opined by several of those present at this meeting that exponents of the move to expel King from Chicago are offering King a five state "bread-basket campaign" as an enticement to leave Chicago. However, according to source, it was stated that King is not expected to accept this offer.

Source also stated that it was commented at this Political Action Committee meeting that the civil rights movement, particularly the Coordinating Council of Community Organizations (CCCO) and the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) are becoming convinced that the only way to effectively influence the political climate of Chicago is to organize along ward lines. It was added that King has been heard to state that he will tend to seek support in the future from the left element rather than, as in the past, be guided or influenced in policy making decisions from the right element.

Source stated that in addition to the discussion surrounding Martin Luther King, a discussion was also held at this Political Action Committee meeting concerning the forthcoming Mayoral election in Chicago. In this respect a discussion was held concerning the CP. giving full support to Dick Gregory's independent write-in campaign for the office of Mayor in Chicago. According to source there was some question as to how the Party could effect this support, however, it was agreed by those present that the Party should issue a statement in support of Gregory's campaign. Source added that a subcommittee

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI (100-438794) DATE: 3/16/67

FROM SAC, CHICAGO (105-16238)

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SUBJECT: COMINELL - SCLC
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OO: Atlanta

Re Atlanta airtel 2/17/67, pertaining to THOMAS OFFENBURGER.

[redacted] reliable, advised on February 22, 1967, that he was not acquainted with OFFENBURGER, and could furnish no information concerning him. He advised he has never heard this name in connection with SCLC affairs.

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On March 8, 1967, records of the Chicago Credit Bureau were checked concerning OFFENBURGER. No record could be located based on available data. Records were checked at the request of IC [redacted]

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On March 10, 1967, records of the Chicago Police Department were checked concerning OFFENBURGER. The Records and Communications Section advised that no information identifiable could be located. Records of the [redacted] (protect - requested, describe as "an agency which collects intelligence type data in the Chicago, Illinois, area"), [redacted] of the Police Department reflected that a car registered to OFFENBURGER was parked in the vicinity of Mc Cormick Place, January 15, 1966, during a meeting sponsored by the Committee for Independent Political Action (CIPA). This license number, 1965 DE 3671, was listed to THOMAS E. OFFENBERGER, 1917 Prudential (Plaza), on a Valiant.

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Chicago Street Directory, 1966, reflects no Prudential Street, but a Prudential Plaza, located at the Prudential Building, 130 East Randolph Street, Chicago. The Chicago Offices of U. S. News and World Report, OFFENBURGER's former employer, are located in the Prudential Building.

For the information of Springfield, OFFENBURGER is currently in the Public Relations Department, Southern Christian Leadership Conference, in Atlanta, and lately has appeared to assume supervision of this department. He has been in contact with a New York advisor to the SCLC, a former CP member, and Atlanta is desirous of obtaining background data concerning him. He is a white male, with a former employment with U. S. News and World Report, as noted above.

Springfield, at the Illinois Motor Vehicle Bureau, is requested to contact appropriate sources to obtain all available background regarding OFFENBURGER, noting the 1965 Illinois license number set forth above.

Atlanta and the Bureau, as well as Chicago, should be advised of results.

Information concerning OFFENBURGER's position was obtained from a sensitive Atlanta SCLC source and contacts in this inquiry should be limited to established and reliable sources. EU

The CIPA, above, can not be characterized subversively, representing however a group of civil rights, peace and social action organizations, formed at a January 15, 1966, conference, Chicago, to form a committee for independent political action to combat the Democratic Party organization in Chicago.

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Re CG airtel and LHM, 3/6/67, under dual captions of Demonstrations, Chicago Freedom Movement (CFM) -Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), Cg., Ill., RM; and Coordinating Council for Black Power (CCBP), RM. No copy was designated for Bu SCLC file. A copy of this airtel and LHM is being attached to this RS for Bu 100-438794.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-438794)

FROM: SAC, LOUISVILLE (157-90) (P)

SUBJECT: COMINFIL SCLC
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As Bureau and receiving offices have been advised previously under communications entitled, "Open Housing Ordinace, Louisville, Ky., RM" current efforts are being made by open housing supporters in Louisville to have an effective housing ordinance passed by the Louisville Board of Aldermen. One of the individuals so active in Louisville is the Rev. A.D. WILLIAMS KING, Pastor of the Zion Baptist Church, Louisville, and a brother of Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. To date, several SCLC organizers are reported in Louisville assisting in the housing ordinance effort.

As a matter of info it might be noted that an article in the 3-11-67 issue of the Courier-Journal, a daily Louisville, Ky. newspaper, reported the following:

Rev. ANDREW J. YOUNG, Executive Director of SCLC, was in Louisville on 3-10-67 in connection with a Region 3 National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) Training and Leadership Conference held in Louisville 3/10-12/67. Rev. YOUNG upon arrival in Louisville was interviewed by a reporter and reportedly said that he had just been in Atlanta, Ga. in conference with Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR and other (unidentified) SCLC officials. He said that SCLC soon will begin a push for open housing in Louisville; that this does not mean SCLC is giving up its efforts in Chicago, Ill. where it has carried on a major offensive for more than a year in the fields of housing and voter registration. Rev. YOUNG is quoted as stating that the SCLC officials had decided at the Atlanta meeting to wait until May 1967 to begin a new effort in Chicago because inclimate weather in Chicago hampered organizing efforts.

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It may be noted that the above article reported that Rev. YOUNG intended to remain in Louisville through 3-11-67 but contained no further info concerning his future activities.

Above is submitted as a matter of information.

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FROM: SAC, ATLANTA (100-6670D)

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Reference is made to Atlanta airtel and LHM 3/14/67 captioned "CIRM" and other subsequent communication captioned "COMINFIL OF SCLC, IS - C", referring to an SCLC conference held 3/9-10/67 in Atlanta and various changes concerning SCLC as proposed by MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., at this conference. These communications indicate that many of the proposals made by KING were quite substantial in their nature.

Atlanta previously indicated that [redacted] advised KING's proposals were presented to the conference in written form. Also, that informant expressed the opinion it was quite evident that KING finally realized a need to re-organize and revamp many operational matters regarding SCLC and was determined to accomplish this. Furthermore, that KING's proposals had been clearly discussed with others prior to the conference.

[redacted] on 3/13/67 advised that during the conference on 3/9/67 subsequent to KING's presentation of his proposals RALPH D. ABERNATHY, Vice President and Treasurer, SCLC, indicated to several SCLC officers a degree of surprise at some of the suggested changes presented by KING. He confided to these individuals that KING's proposals did not represent his thinking and said, "I didn't think the President would make

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MARTIN LUTHER KING's proposals. First of all, these proposals clearly had been discussed by KING with others (identities not known to informant except such discussion did not include RALPH ABERNATHY, Vice President and Treasurer, SCLC) before the conference since they were presented to the conferees in written form. Secondly, KING evidenced at long last a realization SCLC badly needs a re-organization and is determined to accomplish same. In addition, informant observed that regardless of the discussion engaged in by the conferees KING's final decision will essentially be the same as his proposals.

Regarding Operation Breadbasket, KING proposed JESSIE JACKSON would be "Northern Director", his Assistant Director DAVID WALLACE, and his Secretary CAROL GRIFFIN. KING also proposed that JACKSON be responsible for "special fund-raising" together with RICHARD BATTLE. "Special fund-raising" was organizationally placed under the "fund-raising office" headed by ADELE KANTER (New York).

Concerning "Federal Housing Program", KING proposed JAMES ROBINSON handle the South and JESS GILL handle the North. [redacted] advised ROBINSON is a Negro attorney from Dallas, Texas (referred to in Atlanta airtel and LHM 12/29/66 captioned as above). He advised JESS GILL is either in or from Chicago but could furnish no further information.

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Concerning the position "Director of Chicago Project" KING indicated this individual was to be named.

Informant advised JAMES BEVEL had been invited to attend this conference but did not do so.

Informant furnished a copy of proposed salary scale for SCLC. This is being retained by Atlanta and

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no purpose is felt served by setting out this information at the present time.

Atlanta is not aware of prior information re JESS GILL referred to above. Chicago will advise Bureau and Atlanta of pertinent details concerning GILL.

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[redacted] advised that during the conference referred to in the enclosed LHM two things were obvious with regard to

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INTERNAL SECURITY - C

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Reverend King proposed to the conference that the Executive Staff of SCLC be formally re-organized into several specific categories which would entail the creation of several new departments and/or positions. In conjunction with this, he proposed a specific salary scale applicable to each of the categories into which the Executive Staff would be re-organized.

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Reverend King proposed that Andrew J. Young, Executive Director, SCLC, assume the new position of Executive Assistant to the President, SCLC, and that the office of Executive Director be filled possibly by Walter E. Fauntroy, SCLC, Director, Washington, D. C.

New SCLC departments to be created as suggested by Reverend King were youth program, labor and economic affairs, federal housing and one pertaining to Operation Breadbasket in the North.

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Source advised he understood Reverend King requested the conference to discuss his proposals and stated he would subsequently announce a final decision regarding these matters.

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recommendations like these or any other kind without first consulting with me." Informant observed ABERNATHY's comment appeared to be made in all sincerity and ABERNATHY gave the impression the fact he had not been consulted by KING regarding these matters definitely hurt him.

The foregoing is of interest inasmuch as several items of information in the past have indicated a definite lack of cohesiveness between KING and ABERNATHY.

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SUBJECT: DEMONSTRATIONS,
CHICAGO FREEDOM MOVEMENT (CFM) -
SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP
CONFERENCE (SCLC)
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS
RM
(Chicago file 157-1261)

COORDINATING COUNCIL FOR
BLACK POWER (CCBP)
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(Chicago file 157-1465) (Bufile 157-6340)

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Re Chicago tels 3/4/67 and 3/5/67; Chicago airtel and LHM, 3/2/67 under the caption, "Demonstrations, Chicago Freedom Movement (CFM) - Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) Chicago, Illinois Racial Matter."

Enclosed for the Bureau are twelve copies of an LHM concerning the captioned matters. A copy is being provided Atlanta for information and as indicated in the enclosed, copies are being provided to Secret Service, the U.S. Attorney and military authorities locally.

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Sources utilized in the enclosed are as follows:

Source One [redacted] b6 b7C

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Chicago is following these matters closely and the Bureau and any interested offices will be appropriately provided with any subsequent pertinent developments.

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CONFERENCE (SCLC)
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS
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Reference is made to Chicago memorandum of March 2, 1967, captioned "Demonstrations, Chicago Freedom Movement (CFM) - Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) Chicago, Illinois Racial Matter." This memorandum reflected in part the move-in of Meredith Gilbert, male Negro, to an apartment located at 3491 North Elston Avenue, Chicago, an all white residential neighborhood on March 1, 1967.

[redacted] Deputy Superintendent's Office, Chicago Police Department, advised in the early morning hours of March 4, 1967, that during the previous evening Gilbert had returned to the apartment at 3491 North Elston Avenue and had been unable to enter the apartment here since the landlord of these premises had changed all the locks. [redacted] continued that Gilbert proceeded to gain entrance to this apartment by breaking down the door. Meredith Gilbert had subsequently been arrested by Chicago police officers on charges of criminal damage to property. This arrest was made subsequent to an official complaint against Gilbert by the landlord. Gilbert was scheduled to appear in Holiday Court on March 4, 1967.

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[redacted] stated that no crowd had gathered as a result of the above incident, and there had been no disturbances or disorders during the arrest of Gilbert. b6 b7C b7D

On March 6, 1967, [redacted] Human Relations Unit, Chicago Police Department, was contacted relative to the arrest of Gilbert. He advised that he had no information concerning the court proceedings on March 4, 1967 concerning Gilbert. He did advise, however, that the Police Department had originally understood that Gilbert had rented the apartment at 3491 North Elston himself and that the landlord of these premises had been aware that Gilbert was a Negro. [redacted] advised however that this had not been the case and made available a police department investigation report, dated March 2, 1967, which reflects an interview by a Chicago Police Officer with an Arthur Vincent Cunningham, a white male, 4949 West Carmen Avenue, who identified himself as the owner of the premises at 3491 North Elston. On this date Cunningham had advised that the apartment here subsequently occupied by Gilbert and his family had been rented from him through subterfuge in that on February 27, 1967 a white man had visited him, identified himself as Gilbert and advised that he desired to rent a vacant apartment here for himself, his wife and two children. At this time this white male had made a ten dollar deposit on the apartment and Cunningham had given him a key to the premises.

Cunningham advised that his first subsequent indication that Meredith Gilbert was in fact a Negro was on March 1, 1967 when he had been contacted by a neighbor who had advised him that a Negro male was moving into the apartment at 3491 North Elston Avenue. This individual had subsequently advised Cunningham that he was Meredith Gilbert, that he was the man who rented the apartment and showed Cunningham the receipt that he had received for this rental. In the interim, Cunningham had received a money order at his home for the balance of this rental for one month, in the amount of $72.50 Cunningham advised on March 2, 1967 that he had attempted to get Gilbert and his family to leave the premises here but they refused to honor his demand. The officers contacting Cunningham had advised him that this was a civil matter and that he should obtain the services of an attorney to initiate the procedures for evicting these tenants if he so

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desired. Cunningham had advised that he had retained an attorney who had not as yet decided what action to take.

On March 6, 1967, a confidential source who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that he had learned on this date that Gilbert had appeared in Holiday Court in Chicago on March 4, 1967 on charges of breaking and entering and had subsequently been released on bond, amount believed to be $200. Source advised that Meredith Gilbert has a brother, Fred Gilbert, who under a similar type subterfuge as that employed by Meredith Gilbert, has rented an apartment at 4734 North Drake Avenue, Chicago. Fred Gilbert continues to state that he will soon move into this all white neighborhood, the Belmont-Cragin area, however no specific date is as yet known for this move-in.

On March 5, 1967, [redacted] Office of the Deputy Superintendent, Chicago Police Department, advised that between the hours of twelve noon to 1:30 p.m. on this date nine pickets believed to be representing the Lawndale Union to End Slums had picketed the Sate Certified Supermart, 3032 West Madison Avenue, Chicago. The Lawndale Union to End Slums is a part of the CFM-SCLC in Chicago and it might be noted additionally that both Fred and Meredith Gilbert have been associated with the Lawndale Union to End Slums and the CFM generally. b6 b7C b7D

In connection with the March 5, 1967 demonstration, [redacted] advised that nine individuals appeared for this demonstration, carrying signs reading "Black Power, Stop -- Don't Shop, Rehire Back Sister Bonita Mathews." These pickets attracted very little attention, according to [redacted] and there had been no incidents or disorders connected with the demonstration. [redacted] advised that the demonstration had generally been in protest of high prices charged at this supermart and that it was the understanding of the Chicago

Police Department that Bonita Mathews was a former employee of this business establishment who had just recently been terminated from her employment there.

[redacted] above, contacted on March 6, 1967 advised that it was his understanding that the group which had picketed the State Certified Supermart, above, had actually been individuals associated with the Coordinating Council for Black Power (CCBP). The CCBP is a loose amalgamation of individuals and organizations actively supporting "Black Power" philosophy. The CCBP is composed in part of such organizations as the Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee, the Deacons of Defense and Justice, Inc. and ACT, a militant civil rights group primarily active on Chicago's West side. b6 b7C b7D

A second confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past and who is familiar with the activities of the CCBP, advised on March 6, 1967 that individuals associated with this group had picketed briefly the previous day at the State Certified Supermart, 3032 West Madison Street, Chicago. The picketing had been in protest of high prices and inferior quality products available here as well as the allegedly unfair firing of a Negro female employee, a reference to Bonita Mathews.

This source also advised of the formation of an organization known as "Garfield Organizations" (GO), as a political outgrowth of the CCBP. GO is composed of members of ACT, the Deacons of Defense and Justice, Inc. and is headed by Curtis Foster, an independent Negro candidate for alderman from the 28th Ward in the recent aldermanic elections in Chicago. The purpose of this organization is to attempt to develop a neighborhood group in the Garfield Park area of Chicago which will involve itself in community and political activities on a day to day basis as well as various local elections, in the latter instance attempting to encourage support for suitable Negro candidates. GO will attempt to capitalize upon issues as they arise which will be of interest to the ghetto population in the Negro slum areas of Chicago.

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Pertinent portions of the above information were provided on March 4 and March 5, 1967 to representatives of Secret Service and the Office of the United States Attorney, Chicago, and to Region 1, 113th MI Group, Evanston, Illinois. A copy of this memorandum is being provided for each of these agencies.

CCBP MEMBERS ARE KNOWN TO BE IN POSSESSION OF OF FIREARMS AND SHOULD BE CONSIDERED POSSIBLY DANGEROUS.

A characterization of the Deacons of Defense and Justice, Inc. is being attached to this memorandum.

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DEACONS OF DEFENSE AND JUSTICE, INC.,
Aka. Deacons for Defense and Justice, Inc.

The Articles of Incorporation of the Deacons of Defense and Justice (DDJ) as on file with the Secretary of State, for the State of Louisiana, reflects that the Deacons of Defense and Justice, Inc., is a Louisiana corporation domiciled at Jonesboro, Louisiana. The location and business office address of its registered office shall be Amos Service Station (rear), Beach Spring Road, Drawer B., Jonesboro, Louisiana.

"This corporation is organized for the following purposes and to carry on the following purposes:

"To instruct, train, teach and educate Citizens of the United States and especially minority groups in the fundamental principles of the republican form of government and our democratic way of life; to instruct, teach, train and educate said persons in the provisions of the constitution and laws of the United States and the State of Louisiana, as well as the constitution and laws of any other state wherein this corporation may operate; to instruct, teach, train and educate said persons in the use, value, and purpose of the ballot and the right to vote; to instruct, teach, train and educate said persons as to the duties and responsibilities of good citizenship relative to the obligation and duties of the community to the citizen; to further instruct, teach, train and educate said persons in the value of economic security and in the effective use of their spending power; to inspire in said persons a sense of responsibility and to develop leadership. This corporation has for its further purpose, and is dedicated to, the defense of the civil rights, property rights and personal rights of said people and will defend said rights by any and all honorable and legal means to the end that justice may be obtained. This corporation may establish chapters and conduct its business at any place in this State and elsewhere as permitted by law."

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On 3/13/67 [redacted] advised SCLC is currently in the process of conducting various phases of re-organization. Source advised he understands SCLC is considering re-employing ROBERT L. GREEN. Informant could furnish no further details at this time.

GREEN previously served as Director of SCLC's Citizenship School from approximately September, 1965, to September, 1966, while on a leave of absence from Michigan State University. OF SUBJ. ORGAN.

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Source referred to is [redacted] MEMBER OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION [redacted] advised substantial discussion ensued during the conference regarding SCLC's recent experiences in Chicago. Informant said the majority of the conferees agreed with the need for SCLC to continue activity in Chicago utilizing if necessary all its personnel resources.

HOSEA WILLIAMS reiterated in considerable detail his previously reported criticism of the lack of effective work on the part of many people sent to Chicago by SCLC, lack of adequate SCLC financial support until almost the last moment. He accused ALBERT RABY, BILL BARRY, and local Chicago organization of only lending half-hearted support to SCLC's efforts. Several of WILLIAMS' criticisms were supported by JESSIE JACKSON, ALBERT R. SAMPSON, and STONEY COOKS, each of whom attended the conference.

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During the conference KING also proposed that FRED C. BENNETTE, Director, Operation Breadbasket, become Southern Director of Operation Breadbasket and JESSIE JACKSON, Northern Director. BENNETTE at considerable length vehemently refused to work "over, under or with" JACKSON on this project. He claimed JACKSON had never willingly cooperated with him in the past regarding Operation Breadbasket.

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At this conference, Reverend King also mentioned SCLC's recent efforts in Chicago, Illinois, and acknowledged these efforts had not produced accomplishments originally hoped for by SCLC. He declared that to improve the position of the Negro in Chicago it was still incumbent upon SCLC to make an impact on the Chicago administration in the areas of housing, education, and employment.

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previously served as Director of Affiliates, as well as ALBERT R. SAMPSON, STONEY COOKS, JAMES ORANGE, and DANA SWAN, who have been active in Chicago.

On 3/13/67 [redacted] advised KING also proposed SCLC dispense with the services of approximately 50 individuals whose names he set forth in writing. The majority of the names set forth represented names of Subsistence Workers. However, among these names was that of WILLIAM S. STEIN (LEVISON made no objection to this.). Several of these individuals were commented upon by ANDREW J. YOUNG, BERNARD LEE and HOSEA WILLIAMS who indicated their services had been satisfactory and that for this reason consideration should be given to SCLC retaining their services. Informant was questioned as to each of these comments. In connection with RALPH HENRY whose name was included he recalled that BERNARD LEE pointed out that HENRY on at least two occasions in the past assisted in maintaining SCLC activity in Chicago and, therefore, his services should be retained. Informant was unable to recall any further details re this.

The above information pertaining to HENRY was furnished Chicago by teletype 3/14/67.

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Atlanta, Georgia
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On March 13, 1967, a confidential source advised he had learned that a conference of Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) officials was held in Atlanta, Georgia, on March 9 and 10, 1967. This conference chaired by Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr., President, SCLC, was attended by approximately 25 persons including executive officers of SCLC, some SCLC board members, and several other individuals.

Reverend King proposed SCLC utilize a number of individuals in the capacity of Field Organizers. The function of these individuals would be to go into a community requiring civil rights activity, organize and train local residents to carry out the desired activity.

Reverend King's proposal gave rise to a discussion concerning the desirability of SCLC retaining individuals in the capacity of Subsistence Workers. Hosea Williams, Director of Voter Registration, Political Education, and in charge of Southern Field Staff, SCLC, suggested that some Subsistence Workers be retained by SCLC in order to render assistance to Field Organizers. Reverend King pointed out that Field Organizers would be employees of SCLC and, therefore, more susceptible to SCLC control than are Subsistence Workers who are not fully fledged SCLC employees.

Source advised he understood a final decision on

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this matter was not reached at this conference but would be subsequently announced by Reverend King.

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HUNTER PITTS O'DELL

In July, 1962, HUNTER PITTS O'DELL, also known as JACK H. O'DELL, was considered by the Communist Party, USA, as a member of its National Committee.

HUNTER PITTS O'DELL told EDWINA SMITH December 27, 1963, he would not go back to the Southern Christian Leadership Conference on the same basis because he is now a "left person" and if they cannot accept him the way he is then they will have to forget about him.

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HOSEA WILLIAMS

During October, 1964, a confidential source advised that on October 3, 1964, RUTH BAILEY, then an employee of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, (SCLC), Harlem, New York Office, while discussing several SCLC personalities with one CONNIE CAMPBELL, referred to WILLIAMS. BAILEY said WILLIAMS had mentioned to her (date not specified) that on a prior occasion (date not specified) HUNTER PITTS O'DELL had told him more about politics than he could read.

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Source referred to is [redacted]

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FROM: SAC, CHICAGO

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COORDINATING COUNCIL FOR BLACK POWER (CCBP)
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Chicago 157-1465

Re Chicago telephone call 3/16/67, to Louisville. Chicago tel,3/16/67, to Bureau, Louisville, and Atlanta, captioned "Louisville Open Housing Ordinance, March, 1967 - RM" and "Cominfil - SCLC. Chicago tel, 3/16/67, to Bureau

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1 - 157-895 (HOSEA WILLIAMS)
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1 - 157-40 (Open Housing Ordinance, Louisville, Kentucky)
1 - 100- (COMINFIL - SCLC)
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and New York captioned RICHARD CLAXTON GREGORY - RM. Chicago airtel and LHM, 3/15/67 under CCBP caption.

Enclosed for the Bureau are 14 copies of LHM pertaining to captioned matters.. Copies are designated for interested offices as indicated below.

Copies locally of this memorandum are being designated to the USA and Secret Service, Chicago, and to Region 1, 113th MI Group, Evanston, Illinois. b7D

The sources utilized in the enclosed are [redacted] in the order of their use.

Chicago is following and any additional pertinent data developed will be appropriately provided the Bureau and any interested office.

The character for the SCLC in the enclosed is being set forth as RM, rather than IS - C, as it is deemed more suitable to the nature of the contents.

Undesignated copies are being provided New York and Louisville for any additional local channelization desired.

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RICHARD CLAXTON GREGORY
RACIAL MATTER;

SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN
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RACIAL MATTER;

COORDINATING COUNCIL FOR
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RACIAL MATTER

APPROPRIATE AGENCIES AND FIELD OFFICES ADVISED BY ROUTING SLIP (S) OF 01-16-1455. DATE 3/28/83

Reference is made to Chicago memorandum of March 10, 1967, under the caption, "Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), Racial Matter," and "Demonstrations, Chicago Freedom Movement (CFM) - Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), Chicago, Illinois, Racial Matter."

Reference additionally is made to Chicago memorandum of March 15, 1967, under the caption "Coordinating Council for Black Power (CCBP), Racial Matter."

On March 16, 1967, a confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, provided the following information: C4

A political rally was held by Dick Gregory at his campaign headquarters, 1251 West 63rd Street, Chicago, Illinois, on the evening of March 15, 1967. Note that Gregory is a well-known Negro entertainer and civil rights activist who is a write-in candidate as an independent for the position of Mayor in Chicago in the April, 1967, mayoral elections. C4

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There were approximately 200 persons present at this meeting and most prominent among those present, aside from Gregory, was Hosea Williams, the Director of Voter Registrations and Political Education for the SCLC. Additionally, among those present were elements of the "black power" grouping in Chicago, commonly referred to as the CCBP. This grouping includes members of local militant civil rights type organizations such as Act, the Congress of Racial Equality, the Deacons of Defense and Justice, and the Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee. One of those present, acting in the capacity of a bodyguard for Gregory, represented himself as a member of the Deacons. C4

The main portion of the meeting was devoted to urging those present to support Gregory in his write-in campaign for Mayor, explaining the mechanics of this procedure and urging those present to attempt to solicit the support of all of their friends and acquaintances for Gregory's campaign. C4

During remarks made by Gregory, he advised he was going to join Congressman Adam Clayton Powell on March 16, 1967. Over the weekend of March 18 and 19, 1967, he would accompany Powell to New York City and Gregory stated in this connection that if New York City authorities arrest Powell while in New York, he Gregory, would lead demonstrations there and "turn the town out" to secure Powell's release from confinement. He further stated that Congressman Powell is to accompany him to Chicago, Illinois, to participate in a series of political street-corner type rallies over the following weekend, March25-26, 1967. C4

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Subsequent to Gregory's remarks, the evening's featured speaker was Hosea Williams, referred to previously. Williams stated that he had just arrived in Chicago from Louisville, Kentucky, where he has been participating in regular street demonstrations there. Williams stated that during one of the most recent demonstrations, some of the demonstrators, including himself, had been attacked and their clothing literally ripped off. C U

Williams used this illustration to indicate how people in the movement must stop "sitting around" and must do whatever they can to get their freedom. He stated that it was all right for his mother to be a housemaid for a white woman, but he did not think the same was true for his daughter. Only when white women are serving as housemaids for Negroes in the future will it be all right for Negroes to do the same. He added that the thing that must be done in order to improve the lot of the Negro in this country is to topple the power structure. He proceeded in an emotional and fiery manner to remark that with the group present on this occasion he could go out and "tear up Chicago." C U

Williams continued that during the course of Gregory's efforts to unseat Chicago's Mayor, Richard J. Daley, he could be killed at any time for so fighting the power structure. He advised that there was nothing the Negro could do as a practical matter to prevent this and it must be realized that the power structure, as presently constituted, is not simply going to give up and step aside. He urged that all Negroes should get insurance policies to provide for their families because if someone like Gregory gets killed, they had better be ready to start fighting so that everyone would know the Negro would not take such action lying down. C U

He concluded his remarks by noting that he was flying back to Louisville on March 16, 1967, and would again participate in the demonstrations in progress there. He stated that he recognized he also could be killed at any time in connection with his civil rights activities, however, he knows that if this happens, someone else will step in and take his place in the movement. C U

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During the course of the meeting, a representative of the "black power" group present advised the others in attendance that earlier on March 15, 1967, a delegation from Chicago, representing some fifteen different civil rights organizations, had gone to Springfield, Illinois, for the purpose of protesting to the Governor and the Legislature over the consideration currently being given there to the passage of a "stop and frisk bill." This individual stated that the delegation had not been successful in seeing the Governor, but had arranged a meeting with him on March 24, 1967, at the Governor's offices in Chicago at the Illinois State Building, 160 North La Salle. At this time the representative of the CCBP, as well as other allied civil rights groups locally, would present their protests concerning the dangers inherent in the stop and frisk law. It was also stated that petitions against the stop and frisk bill were being prepared by this group and would be available for public distribution by March 17, 1967. Gregory agreed to assist in getting signatures on these petitions. CU

Pertinent portions of the above information, as provided by the first confidential source, were substantiated on March 16, 1967, by a second confidential source, who has also furnished reliable information in the past. CU

Additionally, on March 17, 1967, this second confidential source advised that he had learned that it is hoped that when Congressman Adam Clayton Powell comes to Chicago over the weekend of March 25-26, 1967, he can be persuaded to remain for a political rally which is to be held by Gregory on the evening of March 27, 1967, at the Senate Theatre, 3128 West Madison Street, Chicago. This source advised that in addition to Powell, it is planned that Stokely Carmichael of SNCC will be present and will speak on behalf of Gregory's candidacy for Mayor at that time. CU

Referenced memorandum of March 10, 1967, reflected information to the effect that an organizational type meeting was to be held March 14, 1967, at 3101 West Warren Avenue, Chicago, local headquarters of the SCLC. At this meeting Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., was to be present and the course of future civil rights activities in Chicago was to have been discussed. CU

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In this connection, a third confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on March 15, 1967, that the meeting of March 14, 1967, did not take place as planned, and Dr. King was not known to have been in Chicago on that date. It is anticipated that such a meeting will be forthcoming shortly, possibly on the next occasion when Dr. King is in Chicago, at which time also the future organization and composition of the local SCLC staff will be made known. It is known that Dr. King is to be in Chicago over the following weekend, March 25-26, 1967, in connection with an anti-Vietnam rally, and march which is to be held here on March 25, 1967. C&U

Pertinent portions of the above information, emnating from the Gregory rally on March 15, 1967, have been provided to the following: C & U

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Human Relations Unit, Chicago Police Department

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United States Secret Service, Chicago

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Region I, 113th MI Group, Evanston, Illinois.

A copy of this memorandum is being disseminated to Secret Service and the Office of the United States Attorney, both Chicago, Illinois, and to Region I, 113th MI Group, Evanston, Illinois.

Descriptive data concerning the Deacons of Defense and Justice, Inc., is being attached to this memorandum.

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APPENDIX

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DEACONS OF DEFENSE AND JUSTICE, INC.,
Aka. Deacons for Defense and Justice, Inc.

The Articles of Incorporation of the Deacons of Defense and Justice (DDJ) as on file with the Secretary of State, for the State of Louisiana, reflects that the Deacons of Defense and Justice, Inc., is a Louisiana corporation domiciled at Jonesboro, Louisiana. The location and business office address of its registered office shall be Amos Service Station (rear), Beach Spring Road, Drawer B., Jonesboro, Louisiana.

"This corporation is organized for the following purposes and to carry on the following purposes:

"To instruct, train, teach and educate Citizens of the United States and especially minority groups in the fundamental principles of the republican form of government and our democratic way of life; to instruct, teach, train and educate said persons in the provisions of the constitution and laws of the United States and the State of Louisiana, as well as the constitution and laws of any other state wherein this corporation may operate; to instruct, teach, train and educate said persons in the use, value, and purpose of the ballot and the right to vote; to instruct, teach, train and educate said persons as to the duties and responsibilities of good citizenship relative to the obligation and duties of the community to the citizen; to further instruct, teach, train and educate said persons in the value of economic security and in the effective use of their spending power; to inspire in said persons a sense of responsibility and to develop leadership. This corporation has for its further purpose, and is dedicated to, the defense of the civil rights, property rights and personal rights of said people and will defend said rights by any and all honorable and legal means to the end that justice may be obtained. This corporation may establish chapters and conduct its business at any place in this State and elsewhere as permitted by law."

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MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
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Attached for your approval for dissemination are copies of a letterhead memorandum containing the following information obtained from [redacted] b7D

Recently, at a meeting of the Political Action Committee of the Communist Party of Illinois held in Chicago, Illinois, a discussion was held concerning Martin Luther King, Jr., President, Southern Christian Leadership Conference. At the present time, there is a move under way to set up a National Peace Ticket for the national elections in 1968. King would be the presidential candidate on this ticket.

Top national leaders in the Negro movement are reportedly going to meet in one of the Southern States to discuss King's possible candidacy. The date and place of this meeting were not mentioned.

It was also learned that King has been heard to state that in the future he will tend to seek support from the left element rather than from the right. There was no further discussion in this regard.

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That copies of the enclosure be forwarded by routing slips to Mrs. Mildred Stegall, The White House; The Attorney General; The Deputy Attorney General; and Assistant Attorneys General Yeagley and Doar.

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FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (157-1465)

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Re Chicago and Springfield teletypes 3/14/67; Chicago teletype 3/15/67; and Chicago telephone call to Springfield, 3/15/67.

Enclosed for the Bureau are 16 copies of an LHM concerning the CCBP, having reference to a planned demonstration in Springfield, Illinois, on 3/15/67. Five copies are being designated for Springfield in the event any local dissemination is desired, and a copy is designated for Atlanta for information.

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The sources utilized in the enclosed are [redacted] and [redacted], in the order of their use. Information from [redacted] on 3/15/67, was made available by this source [redacted] to the Chicago Office.

Chicago is following and any subsequent plans on the part of the CCBP relative to this and other activities will be suitably provided the Bureau and interested offices.

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Chicago, Illinois
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RACIAL MATTERS

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A confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on March 14, 1967, as follows:

Individuals in Chicago, most of whom are generally associated with the CCBP, are planning to travel to Springfield, Illinois, on the morning of March 15, 1967, where they plan to demonstrate before the State Capitol Building. This demonstration will protest the current consideration being given the "Stop and Frisk Bill", which is currently before the Illinois State Legislature. Participants in this demonstration will depart Chicago early in the morning of Wednesday, March 15, 1967, to arrive in Springfield sufficiently early to finalize any necessary plans for this protest demonstration. The group anticipates a possible march to the Capitol Building from the Springfield city limits, but such a march is not definite as yet. It is known that a telegram has been dispatched to Illinois Governor Otto Kerner requesting a conference at 11:00 AM, March 15, 1967, so that representatives of this group may make known their objections to the stop and frisk bill. An audience is also to be requested with Illinois State Senator Russell Arrington, Republican of Evanston, Illinois, for this purpose.

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Travel to Springfield is to be by private automobile, by bus, however if sufficient forces can be mobilized. The number of people to participate in this demonstration is not known at present, however, it is believed that there will be less than 100 persons who will be able to make this trip. No violence or disturbances are known to be planned or anticipated by this group. S&U

A second confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, furnished substantially the same information as that set forth above, advising additionally, however, that the West Side Organization (WSO), a west side Chicago civil rights group, is participating in the planning for this demonstration with Chester Robinson, WSO Executive Director, serving as local spokesman for the group. It is from WSO Local Headquarters, 1528 West Roosevelt Road, Chicago, that the group intends to depart from Chicago on March 15, 1967. S&U

The following individuals were furnished pertinent portions of the above:

[redacted] Region I, 113th MI Group
Evanston, Illinois

[redacted] United States Secret Service, Chicago

[redacted] Office of the United States Attorney, Chicago

[redacted] Illinois Commission on Human Rights

[redacted] Human Relations Unit, Chicago Police Department

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[redacted] above, advised he was generally aware b7D
of the plans of the "black power" group to demonstrate in Springfield on March 15, 1967, advising additionally that it was his understanding that Frederick Douglas Andrews, west side Chairman of ACT, was one of the prime movers behind such demonstration. He also advised that it was his understanding that plans for the demonstration were being discussed at least in part at headquarters of the Garfield Organizations (GO), 9 North Keeler Avenue, Chicago.

The CCBP referred to previously, is described as a loose amalgamation of local militantly oriented civil rights groups in Chicago, generally supporting the "black power" philosophy. Organizations which principally comprise this group are ACT, a west side civil rights organization; the Congress of Racial Equality (CORE); Deacons of Defense and Justice, Incorporated (DDJ); the Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee (SNCC), and other groups to a lesser degree, the latter inclusive of WSO.

SOME MEMBERS OF THE CCBP ARE KNOWN TO BE IN POSSESSION OF FIREARMS AND ARE CONSIDERED POSSIBLY DANGEROUS.

The first source, above, on March 15, 1967, advised that the delegation to Springfield of "black power" people totaling some 25 individuals, traveled separately in six or seven automobiles. Those individuals who were understood to be accompanying this group, together with their organization affiliation are as follows:

ACT	-	Frederick Douglas Andrews
DDJ	-	Edward "Fats" Crawford, Self styled leader of Chicago Chapter, DDJ
WSO	-	Reverend Robert Strom Reverend William Darden

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In addition to those individuals normally associated with the black power group, it was known that representatives of the Chicago Freedom Movement also accompanied this delegation to Springfield. In this category were Chicago Southern Christian Leadership Conference Staff Members Earless Ross and Ralph Henry, as well as Meredith Gilbert of the Lawndale Union to End Slums, a part of the Chicago Freedom Movement. Chester Robinson of the WSO did not accompany the group to Springfield, for reasons unknown.

This source advised that the group had reportedly decided, upon reaching Springfield, that an effort would be made to see Governor Kerner in the morning hours of March 15, 1967. If this effort was unsuccessful they would not engage in an actual demonstration, but would return to Chicago. The group would subsequently organize another trip to Springfield, at a later unspecified time, during which they would engage in a picket demonstration against the "stop and frisk" legislation, hopefully with a larger group and better organization. The delegation planned to return to Chicago during the late afternoon of March 15, 1967, and had no plans to instigate any incidents or disturbances while in Springfield.

[redacted] SHOULD BE CONSIDERED POSSIBLY ARMED AND DANGEROUS. AS OF JUNE, 1966 HE WAS IN POSSESSION OF AN M-1 RIFLE WITH AMMUNITION. [redacted] HE ADVOCATES NEGROES HAVING FIREARMS.

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A characterization of the DDJ, above, is attached to this memorandum.

GO, above, is a recently organized local west-side political action group, set up principally by persons associated with the CCBP.

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Copies of this memorandum are being provided to Secret Service and Office of the United States Attorney, Chicago, and to Region I, 113th MI Group, Evanston, Illinois.

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APPENDIX

DEACONS OF DEFENSE AND JUSTICE, INC.,
Aka. Deacons for Defense and Justice, Inc.

The Articles of Incorporation of the Deacons of Defense and Justice (DDJ) as on file with the Secretary of State, for the State of Louisiana, reflects that the Deacons of Defense and Justice, Inc., is a Louisiana corporation domiciled at Jonesboro, Louisiana. The location and business office address of its registered office shall be Amos Service Station (rear), Beach Spring Road, Drawer B., Jonesboro, Louisiana.

"This corporation is organized for the following purposes and to carry on the following purposes:

"To instruct, train, teach and educate Citizens of the United States and especially minority groups in the fundamental principles of the republican form of government and our democratic way of life; to instruct, teach, train and educate said persons in the provisions of the constitution and laws of the United States and the State of Louisiana, as well as the constitution and laws of any other state wherein this corporation may operate; to instruct, teach, train and educate said persons in the use, value, and purpose of the ballot and the right to vote; to instruct, teach, train and educate said persons as to the duties and responsibilities of good citizenship relative to the obligation and duties of the community to the citizen; to further instruct, teach, train and educate said persons in the value of economic security and in the effective use of their spending power; to inspire in said persons a sense of responsibility and to develop leadership. This corporation has for its further purpose, and is dedicated to, the defense of the civil rights, property rights and personal rights of said people and will defend said rights by any and all honorable and legal means to the end that justice may be obtained. This corporation may establish chapters and conduct its business at any place in this State and elsewhere as permitted by law."

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TO DIRECTOR, LOUISVILLE AND ATLANTA

FROM CHICAGO (157-0) (105-16238) 2P

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RE CHICAGO PHONE CALL LOUISVILLE MARCH SIXTEEN INSTANT.

CHICAGO SOURCE, WHO HAS FURNISHED RELIABLE INFORMATION IN PAST, ADVISED AS FOLLOWS TODAY:

HOSEA WILLIAMS OF SCLC WAS FEATURED SPEAKER IN CHICAGO MARCH FIFTEEN LAST AT POLITICAL RALLY FOR RICHARD GREGORY, CIVIL RIGHTS ACTIVIST AND NIGHTCLUB COMEDIAN AND WRITE IN CANDIDATE FOR MAYOR. RALLY ATTENDED BY APPROXIMATELY TWO HUNDRED INDIVIDUALS.

SOURCE REPORTED WILLIAMS STATED FOLLOWING:

IN RECENT DAYS HAS PARTICIPATED IN DEMONSTRATIONS, LOUISVILLE, WHERE DEMONSTRATORS ATTACKED AND CLOTHING TORN FROM THEM. WILLIAMS STATED HE IS FLYING TO LOUISVILLE AM, MARCH SIXTEEN INSTANT AND WILL PARTICIPATE IN ADDITIONAL DEMONSTRATIONS. WILLIAMS STATED NEGROES SHOULD EXPECT TO HAVE THEIR LEADERS KILLED IN FIGHT FOR FREEDOM AND IF HE IS KILLED, OTHERS WILL STEP IN AND TAKE HIS PLACE.

WILLIAMS TOLD CHICAGO AUDIENCE TO EXPECT "POWER STRUCTURE" TO KILL LEADERS SUCH AS GREGORY, SAYING "POWER STRUCTURE" WILL

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NOT STEP ASIDE. HOWEVER, IF ANYONE LIKE GREGORY IS KILLED, THE PEOPLE SHOULD BE READY TO START FIGHTING AND LET EVERYONE KNOW THEY ARE NOT GOING TO TAKE SUCH ACTIONS LYING DOWN. EH

USA, MILITARY, SECRET SERVICE ADVISED. LOUISVILLE ADVISE LOCAL AGENCIES, LHM FOLLOWS.

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Included in note on later teletype from Louisville JED

cc - Knickerbocker

cc- MR. SULLIVAN

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FROM: SAC, ATLANTA (100-5718)

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Re Atlanta airtel and LHM 3/15/67 captioned as above.

Re airtel on page two refers to one JESS GILL who would probably handle the Northern program of SCLC's anticipated Federal Housing Program.

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On 3/21/67 [redacted] advised GILL who attended the 3/9-10/67 SCLC conference in Atlanta is a Negro male, short in stature, medium complexion, and approximately 30 years of age. He appears to be very intelligent and a good speaker. Informant recalled he obtained the impression during the aforementioned conference that GILL was inclined to be rather outspoken.

The foregoing for information of Chicago in connection with Atlanta's request for information pertaining to GILL.

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Re Atlanta airtel 3/22/67 captioned as above.

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On 3/21/67 [redacted] advised JESS GILL, recently named by SCLC to be in charge of Northern Program of SCLC's Federal Housing Program, requested MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., President, SCLC, to go with him in the near future (date not indicated) to Washington, D. C., in order to meet with the Director of the Department of Federal Housing Program. According to GILL, he is interested in ascertaining what possible assistance the Federal Government may render to SCLC in connection with a housing program it contemplates instituting in Chicago, Illinois.

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On 3/21/67 [redacted] advised an Executive Staff meeting of SCLC was held in Atlanta on that date. This meeting was concerned exclusively with personnel and organizational matters pertaining to SCLC. Informant said there was no discussion concerning the pending SCLC Board meeting currently scheduled to be held in Louisville, Kentucky, 3/29-31/67.

Informant advised he assumed it would be logical that this Board meeting would be held in the Church of Reverend A. D. KING; however, he had no actual information to support this assumption.

Any pertinent details developed by Atlanta regarding this Board meeting will be promptly furnished Louisville and the Bureau.

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Re airtel enclosed a newspaper photograph of E. RANDAL T. OSBURN published 3/6/67 by the "Louisville Times".

This photograph was exhibited on 3/21/67 to [redacted] who advised the individual depicted therein as OSBURN is the EDDIE OSBURN referred to by him on 2/23/67 which information is set forth in Atlanta airtel to Bureau 2/27/67 captioned as above.

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Referenced communications and subsequent airtels and letterhead memoranda dated 3/15/67 and 3/16/67 at Atlanta captioned COMINFIL OF SCLC, IS - C referred to an SCLC conference held 3/9-10/67 in Atlanta and proposals made at that time by MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., President, SCLC, effecting organization and personnel of SCLC.

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On 3/21/67 [redacted] advised the Executive Staff of SCLC met on that date for the purpose of receiving KING's decisions regarding the various matters proposed and discussed during the aforementioned conference.

Informant advised KING's decisions, effective for the most part immediately, were presented to the staff in the form of a 28-page document. Informant made available one of these documents which has been reproduced by Atlanta and will be retained in the 1A Section of instant Atlanta file. Informant's copy has been returned to him.

A large portion of the information set forth in this document represents details in which we are not particularly interested. Pertinent portions are being set out in this airtel

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for the information of the Bureau and also Chicago, New York, and WFO. Pertinent details will also be included in appropriate sections of Atlanta's semi-annual report concerning SCLC which will be prepared in the near future.

In deference to informant's security, no effort is being made to set forth the information included in this airtel in the form of letterhead memoranda.

The first several pages of the aforementioned document were utilized by KING in the nature of an introduction under the caption, "Power for the Powerless--SCLC's Basic Challenge". In essence he pointed out that "SCLC must now undertake a massive job of organization to gain economic and political power for Negroes". He specifically pointed out avoidance of the phrase "Black Power", explaining that separate Black Power is not the answer to the Negroes' problem but rather the answer lies in a "mutuality of power".

KING then went on to point out under the caption "The Need for Organizational Structure" that for a number of years SCLC has operated programmatically and administratively in a relatively loose fashion. He justified this by the nature of many of its activities and concluded by stating "---there comes a time when the achievements of long-term objectives require that movement activity be undergirded by organizational structure and stability. We are now at just such a point in SCLC."

KING's document under the caption "Departments and Offices of SCLC" then listed 10 different breakdowns of departments and offices listing basic functions of each and identity of individuals in charge, et cetera. These are referred to as follows:

1) Office of Affiliates

Director — To be selected

Function — Serving of existing affiliates with program ideas, literature, personal and frequent visits by SCLC staff. Actively work to bring in new affiliates and build strong state conferences of affiliates in every state having 10 or more affiliates.

MEMBER OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION

2) Department of Voter Registration and Political Education
Director — HOSEA WILLIAMS
Assistant Director — To be selected
Secretary — TERI RANDOLPH (white female)

Function - To work vigorously to increase the number of Negro registered voters throughout the Nation; encourage affiliates to maintain year-round voter registration drives; politically educate the Negro electorate.

MEMBER OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION

3) Department of Citizenship Education
Director — DOROTHY COTTON (aka MRS. DOROTHY F. COTTON)

Function - One of SCLC's most important programs. To assist the masses of functionally illiterate Negroes through educational programs to realize their potential as human beings and participating citizens in their community and in the Nation; continue and expand existing workshops and seriously consider expanding overall functions to urban areas in the North.

MEMBER OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION

4) Department of Labor and Economic Affairs
Director — To be selected
Assistant Director — MEW SOONG-LI

Function - (This document indicates this to be a new Department, however, it is noted SCLC literature in the past has referred to a Department of Economic Affairs.) To recognize the Negro as a significant economic influence, as an employee and as a consumer, and thereby create and maintain active relationship with the labor movement particularly those labor unions having a large Negro membership; expand and coordinate the work of Operation Breadbasket; serve as a channel for developing Federal programs in as many communities as possible.

MEMBER OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION

5) Department of Nonviolent Education
Director — JAMES LAWSON (believed to be in Chicago)

Function - (This document indicates this to be a new Department, however, it is noted SCLC literature in the past has referred to JAMES LAWSON as Director of Nonviolent Action) To recognize that the basic philosophical concept of SCLC is nonviolence which philosophy must be taught and propagated on a massive scale; immediately train a core of

leaders in at least 10 cities (not identified) in order that these individuals can then instruct others in the discipline of nonviolence; endeavor to have at least one nonviolence workshop per year in each affiliate.

6) Department of Student Activities
Director — To be selected

Function - To recognize that "--- students have arduously carved for themselves an imperishable niche in the annals of modern history---" and the need for their participation in the civil rights movement continues today; to develop student affiliates of SCLC on as many campuses as possible and organize high school students around specific programs; work closely with the Department of Voter Registration and Political Education to develop methods for students to aid in arousing political awareness in the Negro community; work closely with the Department of Nonviolent Education for the purpose of training large numbers of students in the philosophy and methods of nonviolence.

7) Office of Public Relations
Director — MEMBER OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION THOMAS OFFENBURGER
Associate Director — To be selected

Function - To serve as principal source through which SCLC activities, programs, and policies are channelized to the press; to coordinate all publications reflecting the name of SCLC; to be ever vigilant about the image of SCLC by offsetting unfavorable publicity with information as to the positive accomplishments of SCLC; keep the President of SCLC informed on all relevant news items.

8) Office of Fund Raising
Director — MEMBER OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION ADELE KANTER (New York)

Function - This office is subdivided into three sections designated as "A, B, C" each captioned "Special Fund Raising". JESSE JACKSON (Chicago), CAROLE HOOVER (Atlanta), and RICHARD BATTLES (New Haven) are respectively designated as being in charge of each of these three sections.

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This office is to develop and implement the total fund-raising efforts of SCLC. The mail appeal program will continue to be coordinated by the New York Office (EVELYN NELSON, designated as Secretary to New York Fund-Raising Department). "Powerful" effort must be made to raise funds from previously untapped resources in the Negro community. (u)

9) Office of Finance
Manager LILLIE HUNTER (u)

Function - Self-explanatory.

10) Washington Office (Washington, D. C.)
Director WALTER FAUNTROY

Function - To serve as SCLC's chief liaison office with the Federal Government; keep the National Office apprised of legislative developments, Federal programs; and available Federal resources which may not be well known; arrange necessary appointments SCLC departmental heads will require with various Government agencies from time to time; serve as SCLC's chief lobbyist for civil rights legislation. (u)

KING's document made no change concerning the position of President, SCLC (KING); Vice President and Treasurer RALPH D. ABERNATHY (frequently referred to as Vice President at Large). It named ANDREW J. YOUNG henceforth as Executive Assistant to the President and leaves YOUNG's previous position of Executive Director, SCLC, to be filled by an individual to be selected. DORA E. MC DONALD continues to be Secretary to the President. GLORIA FRACTION continues to be YOUNG's Secretary. KING named FRED BENNETTE to be the Southern Director of Operation Breadbasket (Assistant Southern Director to be selected), and JESSE JACKSON, (Northern Director, (Secretary CAROL GRIFFIN), Assistant Northern Director DAVID WALLACE. He named JAMES ROBINSON to be in charge of Southern Program and JESS GILL in charge of the Northern Program of SCLC's Federal Housing Program. The Director of SCLC's Chicago Project remains to be selected. (u)

DEBBIE FRANKLE was named as the President's Chicago secretary. (u)

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Informant advised that KING indicated he anticipated some time may elapse before the selection of an Executive Director is made. Until such time the Southern Field Staff will be under the direction of HOSEA WILLIAMS and the Northern Field Staff under the direction of ANDREW J. YOUNG.

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FROM: SAC, ATLANTA (100-5718)

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On 3/21/67 [redacted] advised on that date MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., President, SCLC, informed the Executive Staff thereof that he desired action be taken on several program recommendations at that time. These recommendations are as follows:

1) That a National Conference of clergymen be held in order to launch a nation-wide breadbasket program. This conference should consist of 5 clergymen each from at least 20 cities. The conference should terminate with a decision to begin immediate negotiations in connection with some "carefully chosen national product".

RALPH ABERNATHY, Vice President and Treasurer, SCLC, will serve as National Chairman of this conference and will be assisted by FRED C. BENNETTE, Southern Director.

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This conference will, if it appears necessary, institute a nation-wide boycott against some firm or product. In addition, BENNETTE should organize breadbasket affiliates in each of the cities represented at the conference.

Informant advised KING made no reference to any specific dates or places regarding the above.

2) ANDREW J. YOUNG, Executive Assistant to the President, SCLC; WALTER FAUNTROY, Director, SCLC, Washington, D. C.; ROBERT GREEN (believed to be currently at Michigan State University), former Director of Citizenship School, SCLC, and KING will meet in Chicago, Illinois, for a two-day period following the pending SCLC Board meeting. The purpose of the meeting in Chicago will be to devise a program for Chicago to cover the next several months and to arrive at a decision as to what such program will require in the way of personnel.

The Board meeting to which KING referred, informant has previously advised, is scheduled to be held in Louisville, Ky., 3/29-31/67.

3) ANDREW J. YOUNG will plan a one-week workshop to be held the last week of April, 1967, for all SCLC Field Organizers and as many members of the SCLC Executive Staff who are able to attend. The purpose of this workshop will be to train Field Organizers in "solid techniques" of organizing. Individuals possessing "recognized expertise" in organizing are to be invited to participate in this workshop.

Informant advised KING did not mention any specific location in connection with this workshop.

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4) HOSEA L. WILLIAMS, Director of Voter Registration and Political Education, SCLC, will immediately conduct a study of "needs in the South" and made recommendations to the SCLC Executive Staff regarding specific SCLC programs for the South. b7D

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TO DIRECTOR /100-438794/ ATLANTA /100-5718/

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CHICAGO PD SOURCE ADVISED INSTANT MARTIN LUTHER KING HELD PRESS CONFERENCE THIS AM LIBERTY BAPTIST CHURCH, FOUR EIGHT FOUR NINE SOUTH PARKWAY, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, COMMENCING ELEVEN FIFTEEN AM, CONCLUDING ELEVEN FIFTY AM. KING DECLARED CONFERENCE STAGED TO ANNOUNCE RESUMPTION OF REGULAR SCLC ACTIVITIES IN CHICAGO, NOTING HE TOOK BRIEF LEAVE OF ABSENCE FROM CIVIL RIGHTS ACTION PROGRAM IN ORDER TO COMPLETE BOOK ON MOVEMENT'S PROGRESS DURING PAST FEW YEARS. HE DECLARED PRESENTLY MEETING WITH CHICAGO AREA CIVIL RIGHTS LEADERS EVALUATING PAST ACTION AND FORMULATING NEW PLANS FOR DIRECT ACTION PROGRAM THIS SUMMER. KING STATED MOST SUCCESSFUL PROGRAM IN CHICAGO WAS OPERATION BREADBASKET WHICH RESULTED IN APPROXIMATELY ONE THOUSAND JOBS FOR CHICAGO NEGROES

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MR. DELOACH FOR THE DIRECTOR

IN BUSINESSES WHICH FORMERLY DID NOT HIRE PROPER PROPORTION OF BLACK PEOPLE. FURTHER ANNOUNCED SCLC WOULD ATTEMPT TO SEEK OUT NEGRO CONTRACTORS TO WORK ON OUR FEDERALLY SPONSORED FOUR MILLION DOLLAR HOUSING REHABILITATION PROGRAM. SCLC STAFF WORKERS CONTINUE TO WORK IN AREA OF TENANT UNIONS AND ACCORDING TO KING ARE PRESENTLY IN PROCESS OF SOLIDIFYING GAINS MADE TO DATE. STATED APPROXIMATELY TEN THOUSAND RESIDENTS IN CHICAGO AREA NOW COVERED BY ONE DOZEN MAJOR TENANT UNION CONTRACTS WITH LARGE OWNERS AND BUILDING MANAGEMENT FIRMS.

KING STATED EVALUATION OF REPORTS DRAFTED BY CFM INDICATE CHICAGO CITY AGENCIES HAVE BEEN INERT IN UPHOLDING THEIR COMMITMENTS TO OPEN HOUSING PACT DRAFTED BY CITY AND SCLC OFFICIALS LAST YEAR. HE DECLARED THERE WAS "SWELLING DISILLUSIONMENT" WITH FAILURE OF AGENCIES TO IMPLEMENT PACT AND BELIEVES CITY AGENCIES HAVE RENEGED ON AGREEMENT. KING CONCLUDED STATING OPEN HOUSING MUST BECOME MORE THAN MEANINGLESS SCRAP OF PAPER. IT MUST BECOME REALITY IF CHICAGO IS TO BE SAVED.

QUESTION AND ANSWER SESSION FOLLOWED KING'S REMARKS. FOLLOWING ARE EXCERPTS OF KING'S STATEMENTS DURING SUCH SESSION:

KING DECLARED NOTHING POLITICAL IN HIS CURRENT VISIT TO CHICAGO AND REAFFIRMED HIS COMMITMENT TO MARCH IN PEACE PARADE MARCH TWO FIVE NEXT AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS. STATED IF CHICAGO AGENCIES CONTINUE

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WITH THEIR RECALCITRANT ATTITUDE, MASSIVE DEMONSTRATIONS CAN BE EXPECTED IN FUTURE. STATED SCHOOLS IN CHICAGO AREA MUST BE MORE COMPLETELY DESEGREGATED AND CALLED FOR MARCHES BY NEGRO STUDENTS FROM ALL NEGRO SCHOOLS TO ALL WHITE SCHOOLS. KING STATED CICERO HAS REPUTATION OF FLOUTING ITSELF AS SECREGATED COMMUNITY AND DEMONSTRATIONS WILL OF NECESSITY BE HELD IN CICERO THIS SUMMER.

KING ALSO DECLARED WOULD NOT CHANGE VIEWS INSOFAR AS OPPOSING WAR IN GENERAL AND VIETNAM SITUATION IN PARTICULAR, DECLARING DID NOT BELIEVE INVOLVEMENT WITH PEACE ORGANIZATIONS WOULD IN ANY FASHION HURT CIVIL RIGHTS MOVEMENT.

DURING CITY HALL PRESS CONFERENCE MARCH TWO THREE LAST MAYOR DALEY CHARGED KING'S RECENT STATEMENTS DURING HIS ATLANTA PRESS CONFERENCE MARCH TWO THREE LAST WERE POLITICALLY INSPIRED AND "OUTLANDISH". MAYOR DALEY STATED TIMING OF KING'S REMARKS INDICATING SCLC WOULD MOUNT MASSIVE DEMONSTRATIONS THIS SUMMER IN CHICAGO WAS STRICTLY POLITICALLY MOTIVATED, NOTING SUCH STATEMENTS CAME LESS THAN TWO WEEKS BEFORE CHICAGO MAYORALTY ELECTION. MAYOR STATED SCLC AND OTHER CIVIL RIGHTS GROUPS CONTINUALLY CRITICIZE CONSTRUCTIVE EFFORTS BY CITY BUT NEVER PUT FORWARD PROGRAM TO ACCOMPLISH DESIRED GOALS. DALEY ALSO STATED HE BELIEVED CITIZENS OF CHICAGO WERE TIRED OF LISTENING TO STATEMENTS OF

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~~OUSXX~~ OUTSIDERS REGARDING SOLUTION TO PROBLEMS IN CHICZGO.

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A source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, furnished that Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., whom he knows as the President of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, [illegible] Hartford, Connecticut, Sunday, March 12, 1967, to speak at a testimonial for one Reverend [illegible]. The source advised that BATTLES is [illegible] and the Minister of the Mt. [illegible] Church, Hartford, Connecticut.

[illegible] is close to KING and has been very instrumental in [illegible] to provide funds for KING, and it has been said that [illegible] able to obtain some automobiles for [illegible]. The source stated that KING came to town with [illegible] WALKER, who is a special [illegible] New York. WALKER was to be the [illegible]

Source stated that prior to KING arriving on Sunday, Reverend RALPH ABERNATHY, who is the Vice President of the SCLC had arrived Saturday, March 11, 1967, and he stayed overnight. ABERNATHY spoke at the St. Olive Baptist Church, March 12, 1967, at the 11 a.m. service for Reverend BATTLES and then left by plane for Atlanta, Georgia.

Source advised that KING spoke Sunday evening at some length, and he stated that there were two Americas. One flowed with the milk of [illegible] and the honey of dignity, but the other America has a daily ugliness about it.

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[illegible] said that jobs did not exist [illegible] slums. He said, "Many [illegible] poverty while they live on an ocean of

[illegible] said that the most pathetically affected were children, and complained that millions of them walk around in a [illegible] of inferiority in a mental sky, while schools are so segregated [illegible] potential is never fully brought out.

KING stated that the purpose of the civil rights [illegible]nt is to seek relief from these problems of the "other" [illegible] leaders are seeking to make America a nation indivisible [illegible] and justice for all, not just some, he said.

[illegible] the way that America can help to [illegible] of the American Negro is for the Government [illegible] start a massive new program involving billions of dollars. [illegible]id, "If the Government allocates only two percent of its [illegible] gross national product over the next ten years, most of the [illegible]lems can be solved."

[illegible], if the Government can spend 35 billion [illegible] and [illegible] considered war in Vietnam, they [illegible] surely spend a few billion on the Negroes."

KING said that the white man needs the Negro to free [illegible] from guilt, while the Negro needs the white man to free him from [illegible]. As for the destructive riots, KING said that the reason [illegible] all this was given by a boy he spoke to in Watts, who said, [illegible] make them pay attention to us." But, the negro power does not [illegible] from these destructive riots, but lies in their unity, [illegible]ionary non-violence and asserted manhood, not Molotov cocktails.

KING stated that the time will come when America [illegible] have to make a choice as to a solution, and at that time America

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[redacted] to the [redacted] the head of the [redacted].

[redacted], his son, and WALKER were [redacted] overnight in Hartford, and then leave for New York where [redacted] for a few days.

Source advised on March 16, 1967, that he had heard from a source close to BATTLES, that KING advised after the dinner that his plans for the coming months were not settled yet, but that he had been thinking of concentrating efforts of the SCLC in Chicago just before and during the summer. He expected to be able to open Chicago for all Negro people to obtain equal jobs and housing. KING said that this probably would be done through demonstrations and meetings so that these ends could be reached.

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Page 1, Par 2, line 6, King should be King's
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Southern Christian Leadership Conference

Re Atlanta airtel 3/22/67 captioned as above, referring to various decisions of MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., delivered to the SCLC Executive Staff on 3/21/67.

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On 3/21/67 [redacted] advised that at the SCLC Executive Staff meeting 3/21/67 MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., presented a list of names of individuals whoses services SCLC would shortly dispense with. Informant advised the majority of these individuals have been SCLC subsistence workers. He said in all probability their services with SCLC will be terminated as of approximately 4/15/67.

It is noted that KING referred to the names of 52 individuals. One of these names is that of WILLIAM S. STEIN who has been serving SCLC in a fund-raising capacity.

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Enclosed are 11 copies of an LHM reporting information from NY 3810-S*, a source close to STANLEY LEVISON. Two copies are enclosed for the Atlanta Office and one is enclosed for the information of the Louisville Office.

NY 694-S* was the source used to characterize STANLEY LEVISON and HARRY WACHTEL was characterized by an anonymous source of WFO in report of SA [redacted] 7/19/59, at WFO, and by NY 1190-S*.

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On March 27, 1967, a confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that information had come to his attention which disclosed that Martin Luther King, the President of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), Stanley Levison and Joan Daves, the publisher's representative of King's books, were in conference on that date. The following was what transpired during this conference:

Daves pointed out that with regard to King's latest book, various chapters were sent out to magazines including the "Saturday Evening Post", but none agreed to publish. It was King's decision to publish a book and not try to get other magazines to publish his works. His decision was on advice from Levison that he should not try to get his book printed in magazine installments since it was his opinion that the time is not right for this kind of book.

With regard to King's personal plans, it was learned that he would be in Louisville, Kentucky on March 28, 1967, and would remain there until Friday, March 31, 1967. The purpose of his trip was unknown to the source. The source was able to learn, however, that upon his return to Atlanta on Friday, King will address the Georgia Teachers Association. It is believed that King's presence in Louisville will be to attend the Board Meeting of the SCLC.

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With reference to fund raising activiti
learned by the source that Levison wants to draw
volunteers for fund raising and according to Levi
people would become members of the Finance Commit
dissatisfied with the haphazard approach that h
used by the SCLC.

A confidential source, who has furnished
reliable information in the past, advis
in April, 1964, that Stanley Levison wa
a secret member of the Communist Party,
United States of America (CP, USA) in
July, 1963. In late 1963 and early 196
he criticized the CP for not being
sufficiently militant in the civil righ
struggle. Levison was described by cer
CP leaders as being to the "left" of th
in his position on civil rights. His
differences with the CP, however, are m
tactical and he continues his ideologic
adherence to Communism.

Harry Wachtel is the Executive Vice
President of the Gandhi Society for Hum
Rights, New York, New York.

A confidential source, who has furnishe
reliable information in the past, furni
information in December, 1949, that Har
H. Wachtel, 41 Broad Street, New York,
New York, was on a list of individuals
carried as active members of the Nation
Lawyers Guild.

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Following their conference with Joan Daves, Levison and King met together during which time they discussed the whole question as to how to approach foundations, in light of King's stand on Vietnam. Both men agreed that they might not be able to get the support of the foundations, so instead of having to rely on the foundations, they should think of other avenues through which they could get funds for the SCLC and for King personally. Consequently, they decided that a meeting would be held in New York City on Tuesday, April 4, 1967, to discuss this matter. Among those who are expected to attend are Harry Wachtel, Chauncey Eskridge (Chicago attorney) and Jessie Jackson.

It was also revealed that on the same date as the New York meeting of April 4, 1967, King will attend and address a meeting at the Riverside Church, New York, New York, the purpose of which will be to neutralize any adverse criticism he might receive for having agreed to participate in the march against the war in Vietnam scheduled for April 15, 1967. The march in question is the one being sponsored by the Spring Mobilization Committee to End the War in Vietnam which is to commence in Central Park, New York and go to the United Nations.

The address which King will make on Tuesday night at Riverside Church will be attended by students from Union Theological Seminary, Columbia University and by people from every walk of life. Along with the address, King will make a press statement explaining why he felt the need for taking a greater stand against the war and also making it clear that it was his own decision and did not involve the SCLC.

In discussing his trip to New York on Tuesday, King set the meeting with Levison and other advisors for 10:00 a.m. at the New York Hilton Hotel. In this regard, Levison desires to make a statement to Wachtel and the others in attendance that he has King's permission to hold finance meetings in King's absence. It is felt by Levison that Wachtel hesitates to act in the absence of King which delays Levison in his fund raising activities in behalf of the SCLC.

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On March 5, 1944, another confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, furnished information which revealed that the name Harry Wachtel was on a list of names, significance not known, which was maintained at the Headquarters of the Kings County Communist Party (CP) at 26 Court Street, Brooklyn, New York. b(1)

Regarding Harry Wachtel's wife, Leonora, it is noted that the same confidential source furnished information on March 5, 1944, which revealed that her name and address were on a list of names of newly elected officers of the Bath Beach Club of the Kings County CP. b(1)

With respect to the Gandhi Society for Human Rights, it is to be noted that this organization is an adjunct of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), of which Martin Luther King, Jr. is the president, and serves to raise funds for the SCLC.

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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:

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"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.)

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On March 21, 1967, a confidential source advised he understood that The Federal Housing Administration recently allocated four million dollars for a program to purchase and rehabilitate small apartment buildings in three housing areas in Chicago, Illinois. These three areas are Lawndale, East Garfield Park, and North Kenwood-Oakland. This program will be administered essentially by the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) and Community Renewal Foundation (CRF) through a corporation to be known as The Freedom Development Corporation. On the Board of Directors of this corporation will be representatives from SCLC, CRF, and each of the aforementioned housing areas.

Jess Gill, in charge of SCLC's Federal Housing Program in Chicago, is currently extremely interested in this program.

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ATTEND MEETING.

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., PRESIDENT ~~SCLC~~ SCLC, AND HIS WIFE CORRETA SCOTT KING AND RALPH D. ABERNATHY, VICE PRESIDENT AND TREASURER, SCLC, CONTEMPLATE DEPARTING ATLANTA 11:30 PM MARCH 28 VIA AIR FOR LOUISVILLE.

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Retel refers to STANLEY LEVISON and HARRY WACHTEL.

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During the latter part of March, 1967, a confidential source advised that recently several officers of Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) discussed the pending SCLC Board meeting to be held in Louisville, Kentucky. Source determined this board meeting would be held at the Mount Zion Baptist Church in Louisville which is pastored by Reverend A. D. King, brother of Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr., President, SCLC. The board meeting will commence at 10 a.m., March 29, 1967, with an address presented by Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr. SCLC contemplates terminating this board meeting during the evening of March 30, 1967, and most individuals in attendance will probably depart Louisville during the morning of March 31, 1967.

SCLC expects approximately 50 individuals to attend this board meeting, the majority of which will be SCLC board members and the remainder SCLC staff members.

Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr., his wife Coretta Scott King, and Ralph D. Abernathy, Vice President and Treasurer, SCLC, contemplate leaving Atlanta on the night of March 28, 1967, to travel by air to Louisville.

Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr., mentioned to several SCLC officers he hoped that the SCLC board would voice approval of the recent stand he has taken regarding the Viet Nam war and his participation in the current peace movement.

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On March 25, 1967, a confidential source who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that he had learned that Martin Luther King and Stanley Levison were in conference on that date. Their contact was in regard to matters pertinent to the SCLC. [redacted]

Levison was very concerned over King's involvement in anti-Vietnam war activities and in particular, the effect it will have on the SCLC. Levison had in mind King's decision to participate in the April 15, 1967, anti-war demonstration to be held in New York City (NYC) outside the United Nations (UN) headquarters. In elaborating, Levison pointed out that the SCLC had to bear in mind that in the fund raising letters which it had sent out, no mention was ever made of the peace issue and no request was made for money for peace activities. Levison was of the opinion that King would be asked by the press to explain why that was not done. [redacted]

King was of the opinion that something should be sent to SCLC contributors explaining that his involvement in peace activities was a matter of personal conscience on his part and that as an organization, the SCLC is basically committed to civil rights activities, and that it does not use any of its funds for peace activities. [redacted]

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Levison was in agreement with King's suggestion and commented that contributions to the SCLC had not fallen off as a consequence of King's recent statements on the Vietnam war. Levison's apprehension over King's decision to get involved was not due to any specific criticism or loss of funds but instead, was anticipatory of future complaints. Levison pointed out that their fund raising activities are for civil rights and not for peace activities It was his feeling that a fraud would be committed if some explanation was not made to contributors Levison agreed to handle the matter himself, thereby relieving King of the responsibilities inherent to such a task

Levison inquired of King if he had been told about a letter which Joan Daves (publishers representative) had received from Norman Cousins, the Editor of the "Saturday Review", pointing out that this publication would not run any of King's articles or any of the SCLC's material, since King and his organization had become active in the anti-war demonstrations. Cousins said the name of King and the SCLC would be mud within six months, therefore, it would not be profitable to run any of their articles. King commented that he had sent Andrew Young, the Executive Director of the SCLC, to see Cousins to explain the positions of King and the SCLC. Levison wanted to know if Cousins changed hisopinion after being informed that it was a matter of conscience on King's part which had changed his position on the war in Vietnam. Cousins' position was such that he felt that peace demonstrations were "Hate America" forces and that they would end up doing more harm than good; that they would bring about a climate that would really call more for escalation than de-escalation. Levison was of the opinion that Norman Cousins had always been very much in the right wing of the peace movement

Another matter considered by Levison and King was the SCLC's program in Chicago It was Levison who brought up what he described as the housing proposition and in that regard, said he had informed Chauncey Eskridge (Chicago attorney and advisor to King) that he would contribute $7,500.00 and another $1,000.00 toward the expenses incident to the program. The expenses, Levison commented, have already amounted to

over $4,000.00 and he did not see any possibility of them decreasing in the future. The one thing about the program which bothers Levison is the lack of competence of the people who are administering the program Consequently, he felt a very serious responsibility to the businessmen of Chicago who have put their money in the venture. Levison advised King to explain the risks inherent to these men and to get their word that they are doing this voluntarily.

King, the source advised, has already contacted the men who have a business interest in the Chicago project and came away with their support after being told by King that their risks were minimized. After learning this, Levison was incensed that King had assured them of such a thing. He inquired as to whom King had relied upon as his economic advisors and after learning that Chauncey Eskridge and Jess Gill had been consulted, commented that neither knows anything about economics.

It was King's impression that all the Chicago business investors had agreed to stay with the project, and had unanimously agreed with the idea of six per cent interest. But what is actually needed to get the project underway, according to King, is $25,000.00 to $30,000.00. Levison expressed pessimism, but agreed to leave a certain amount of money in the project because he is willing to risk it in order to do something constructive.

King wanted to know if Levison would be able to attend the forthcoming meeting of the SCLC Board. Levison was not certain that he would, since he was away for a couple of weeks, during which time his personal business suffered considerably.

The source said that he was also able to ascertain that King informed Levison of a meeting which he, King, had attended in Atlanta, Georgia, last week, during which time he put on paper the kind of structure the SCLC should have. It was King's impression that the Executive Staff of the SCLC

received his recommendations very enthusiastically In elaborating, King mentioned that he was trying to get an Executive Director for the Chicago operation and T. Y. Rogers as Director of Affiliates and Joseph Lowery as Executive Secretary. [redacted]

Levison and King ended their conference with Levison's reassurance that King was taking the right stand on the Vietnam war. King acknowledged that he would probably get a lot of criticism, but was of the opinion that this country's position is so wrong that a prophecy is needed. It was his opinion that he should be the prophet to inform the country of this fact. [redacted]

A confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised in April, 1964, that Stanley Levison was a secret member of the Communist Party, United States of America (CP, USA) in July, 1963. In late 1963 and early 1964, he criticized the CP for not being sufficiently militant in the civil rights struggle. Levison was described by certain CP leaders as being to the "left" of the CP in his position on civil rights. His differences with the CP, however, are merely tactical and he continue his ideological adherence to communism.

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[redacted] The source utilized in the enclosed is [redacted].

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DEMONSTRATIONS, CHICAGO FREEDOM MOVEMENT (CFM) - SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC), CHICAGO, ILLINOIS
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Reference is made to Chicago memorandum of March 28, 1967, under the following captions: "March 25 Peace Committee, Internal Security - C;" "National Socialist White Peoples Party, Also Known As American Nazi Party (ANP), Racial Matter;" "Martin Luther King, Jr., Security Matter - C."

[redacted] Human Relations Unit, Chicago Police Department, advised on March 24, 1967, that Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., President, Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), was in Chicago, and during the hours of 11:15 AM - 11:50 AM held a press conference at the Liberty Baptist Church, 4849 South Parkway, Chicago, Illinois.

As a matter of information, attached to this memorandum is a copy of remarks prepared for delivery by Dr. King during the opening portion of this press conference. This document was made available to all those who attended the press conference and a copy was provided the Chicago Federal Bureau of Investigation Office by [redacted] He advised that King adherred very closely to the contents of this prepared statement early during the press conference, subsequent to which, however, he submitted to a question and answer session from press representatives who attended the conference.

In answer to questions proposed to him, King had generally stated as follows, according to [redacted]

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He stated there was nothing political in his current visit to Chicago and re-affirmed his commitment to march in the "peace parade" which was to be held March 25, 1967, in Chicago. He stated that he would not change his views insofar as opposing war in general and the Vietnam situation in particular, declaring that he did not believe his involvement with peace organizations would in any fashion hurt the civil rights movement. Reference had been made in his prepared remarks to agencies in Chicago which did not appear to be observing the open housing agreement which had been reached in August, 1966, in Chicago, and he stated that if the agencies involved, such as the Chicago Commission on Human Relations and the like, continued with their recalcitrant attitude, massive demonstrations could be expected in Chicago in the future. He stated that schools in the Chicago area generally must be more completely desegregated and indicated that marches by Negro students from all Negro schools to all white schools might be expected to spotlight the school problems. He noted that Cicero, Illinois, has a reputation of flouting itself as a segregated community, and remarked that demonstrations of necessity might be held in Cicero during the coming summer.

Concerning King's press conference on March 24, 1967, the "Chicago Tribune," a daily Chicago newspaper, contained an article in its March 25, 1967, edition. The article noted King's criticism of the city administration generally to live up to the open housing agreement arrived at last summer, and his comment that it was clear to him that city agencies have not upheld their commitments in connection with the open housing pact.

King specifically had charged that the Chicago Housing Authority, the Department of Urban Renewal and the Chicago Commission on Human Relations had reneged on the agreement and have "given credence to the apostles of social disorder who proclaimed the housing agreement a sham and a batch of false promises.

"I have about reached the conclusion that it will be necessary to participate in massive demonstrations to

dramatize the problems and the failure of the city." King emphasized that the demonstrations would be "much more massive and much more determined" than those held in the summer of 1966. King denied charges leveled against him the previous day by Chicago's Mayor Richard J. Daley that recent statements made by him, King, were political in nature. He stated that he did not hold Mayor Daley personally responsible for the alleged lack of cooperation by city agencies, but stated ". . .the city administration is as responsible as the agencies. I - - want to make clear that we will be as firm this summer, even firmer, than last year, regardless of who is mayor."

King stated that the civil rights program in Chicago must be carried into Chicago's suburbs this summer. He compared Cicero, Illinois, with Selma, Alabama, and called Cicero "the symbol of resistance to open housing in the Chicago area. We said last summer that we had only postponed our march into Cicero. I think it is absolutely necessary for us to march into Cicero this summer."

King stated that all efforts of the SCLC would be centered in Chicago this summer and that in addition to open housing, the SCLC and other representatives of the Chicago Freedom Movement (CFM) would concentrate on employment, slum conditions and education, as pertaining to the Negro minority here. When questioned about marching Negro students to all white high schools in Chicago, he stated, "I see no answer to the school segregation problem other than demonstrations. We will have to bring the issue to the streets."

The article noted in conclusion that King was in Chicago to speak at an anti-Vietnam war rally the following day at Chicago's Coliseum, 1513 South Wabash Avenue, Chicago. In this connection, he stated that his opposition to the war in Vietnam was a personal matter and has not become a policy of the SCLC.

In connection with Dr. King's participation in the anti-Vietnam rally on March 25, 1967, attention is directed to referenced Chicago memorandum of March 28, 1967, above.

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Attached, however, to this memorandum, as a matter of information, is a copy of remarks prepared for delivery by Dr. King at the Coliseum at the conclusion of the parade and rally on March 25, 1967. This document was made available to the Chicago Office by a confidential source who has furnished reliable information in the past.

Also attached to this memorandum as a matter of information is a copy of an editorial which appeared in the "Chicago American," Three Star Edition, March 27, 1967, reflecting the reaction of this segment of Chicago's press media to King's comments and activities while in Chicago over the period of March 24-25, 1967.

In connection with remarks made by Dr. King while in Chicago over the period March 24-25, 1967, generally critical of the implementation of the open housing accord reached during August, 1966, the "Chicago Sun-Times," edition of March 28, 1967, contained an article which set forth the comments of Mr. James W. Cook, President of the Leadership Council for Metropolitan Open Communities. This is the Council set up for the purpose of acting as a "watch dog" group to insure that the open housing pact would be implemented.

Cook, in a press conference held on March 24, 1967, at 155 North Wacker Drive, Council headquarters, branded King's warning made that same day that Chicago and Cicero may face "more massive" demonstrations during the coming summer as a "negative statement." He stated that talk of "marches, demonstrations, a possible riot and bloodshed has a tendency to uncork the bottle." He advised that he was not aware of King's motivation for these remarks, but felt that his comments did not help the situation. He commended the cooperation given him by local civil rights leaders on the Council, but in connection with criticisms made by representatives of the CFM of the implementation of the open housing accord, described CFM charges as "a breach of faith." He charged that several individuals associated with the local freedom movement had deliberately leaked parts of a CFM report critical of the open housing implementation and referred to this as "the only clear-cut case of bad faith I have encountered since I took this responsibility." Referring

to the CFM critique of local agencies, he stated, "In some cases accusations were made based on erroneous or insufficient information; in other cases misunderstandings existed, and in still other cases there were honest differences of opinion as to the progress being made . . .My impression is that the city agencies are doing a darn good job on the agreement. . ."

The confidential source, above, advised that during the evening hours of March 25, 1967, Dr. King departed Chicago, Illinois, enroute to St. Louis, Missouri. His mode of travel and his purpose for visiting St. Louis was unknown to this source.

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[redacted] above, advised on March 27, 1967, that there were no disturbances or disorders in Chicago in connection with Dr. King's presence here over the previous weekend.

A copy of this memorandum is being provided to the following:

United States Secret Service, Chicago
Office of the United States Attorney, Chicago
Region I, 113th MI Group, Evanston, Illinois

A characterization of the National Socialist White Peoples Party is attached to this memorandum.

Sources used have furnished reliable information in the past.

APPENDIX

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NATIONAL SOCIALIST WHITE PEOPLE'S PARTY, ALSO KNOWN AS THE AMERICAN NAZI PARTY, AMERICAN NAZIS, THE WORLD UNION OF FREE ENTERPRISE NATIONAL SOCIALISTS, THE GEORGE LINCOLN ROCKWELL PARTY

In his book,"This Time the World," copyrighted in 1961, GEORGE LINCOLN ROCKWELL identified himself as Commander, American Nazi Party of the World Union of Free Enterprise National Socialists (ANP - WUFENS), Arlington, Virginia.

The April 4, 1963, issue of "The Richmond News Leader," a Richmond, Virginia, daily newspaper, reported that GEORGE LINCOLN ROCKWELL had, on the previous day, again applied for the American Nazi Party to be chartered in the State of Virginia, but this request was turned down by the Virginia State Corporation Commission. This action was taken pursuant to an act of the 1962 Virginia Assembly which prohibits use of "Nazi" or "National Socialism" in a Virginia charter. This article further pointed out that ROCKWELL's Party is presently chartered in the State of Virginia as the George Lincoln Rockwell Party.

On August 14, 1964, a source advised that ANP-WUFENS was organized by GEORGE LINCOLN ROCKWELL at his residence in Arlington, Virginia, on February 26, 1956, as an international "National Socialist" movement based on the German Nazi Party headed by Adolf Hitler. He added that ROCKWELL is the dominant force and personality in this Party; that he is espousing a "line" of hatred against the Jews and Negroes; and that he is seeking, through speeches, distribution of literature and picketing, to establish a cohesive and dominant political party in the United States and in foreign countries.

According to the "Stormtrooper's Manual," an official publication of the ANP, the phases of ANP struggle for power are fourfold, namely, first "to make ourselves known to the masses"; second, "the dissemination of our program and truth about the Party"; third, "organizing the people who have been converted to our propaganda"; and fourth, "the attainment of power through the votes of the newly-won masses."

On August 19, 1966, the source advised that GEORGE LINCOLN ROCKWELL presently believes that he has completed the first two phases in his struggle for power and is well into the third stage, to wit, "the organizing of the people who have been converted to our propaganda." The source added that ROCKWELL had previously believed that he would be elected Governor of Virginia in November, 1965, and when defeated, he made the statement that he was not ready for stage four.

On December 27, 1966, the source advised that ROCKWELL mailed a communication to all members of the ANP entitled,"National Directive from the Commander, Effective 1/1/67." This communication reflected that the formal name of the Party would be "National Socialist White People's Party" and they would still be known as the "American Nazi Party" and "American Nazis" for short.

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STATEMENT BY
DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
PRESIDENT, SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE
NEWS CONFERENCE, CHICAGO ILLINOIS
MARCH 24, 1967

GOOD MORNING, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN OF THE PRESS.

WE ARE HERE TODAY TO ANNOUNCE MY RESUMPTION OF REGULAR ACTIVITIES IN CHICAGO ON A SCHEDULE SIMILAR TO THAT I MAINTAINED FROM JANUARY THROUGH NOVEMBER OF LAST YEAR. AS MOST OF YOU KNOW, I TOOK A BRIEF LEAVE OF ABSENCE FROM OUR CIVIL RIGHTS ACTION PROGRAM IN ORDER TO WRITE A BOOK ON THE PROBLEMS AND PROGRESS OF THE MOVEMENT DURING THE PAST FEW YEARS, AND THE THRUST OF THE FUTURE. I SPENT THE MONTHS OF JANUARY AND FEBRUARY COMPLETING MY BOOK, "WHERE DO WE GO FROM HERE: CHAOS OR COMMUNITY?". IT WILL BE PUBLISHED BY HARPER & ROW IN MAY.

I AM NOW HERE IN THE PROCESS OF MEETING WITH AL RABY AND CHICAGO'S OTHER OUTSTANDING AND COMMITTED CIVIL RIGHTS LEADERS, EVALUATING THE PROGRESS OF OUR SEVERAL ON-GOING PROGRAMS, AND LAYING PLANS FOR THE NEXT PHASE OF OUR DRIVE TO END SLUMS. YOU CAN BE ASSURED THAT WE WILL SHORTLY PROJECT A FIRM COURSE OF ACTION TO CONTINUE OUR CONFRONTATION OF THE MYRIAD PROBLEMS IN HOUSING, EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT, HEALTH AND WELFARE FACING BLACK PEOPLE IN CHICAGO AND THROUGHOUT THE NATION.

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HOWEVER, IT SHOULD BE MADE CRYSTAL CLEAR FROM THE OUTSET THAT MY ABSENCE HAS NOT MEANT A LAPSE OF ACTIVITY IN THE SPLENDID PROGRAMS THAT WERE INITIATED IN THE CITY LAST YEAR.

TOO OFTEN THE PUBLIC TENDS TO ESTIMATE THE CIVIL RIGHTS MOVEMENT BY ITS MORE COLORFUL OR PUBLIC ASPECTS, SUCH AS MARCHES AND DEMONSTRATIONS, AND UNFORTUNATELY BY THE NUMBER OF SPEECHES MADE BY PROMINENT PERSONALITIES. THE VERY CONSTRUCTIVE BUT QUIET PROGRAMS OF PROGRESS GO ON WITH LITTLE ATTENTION, AND WE ARE TOLD THE CIVIL RIGHTS MOVEMENT IS DYING SIMPLY BECAUSE THERE IS NO MARCHING IN THE STREETS.

LET US EXAMINE A FEW OF THESE PROGRAMS FOR THE MOMENT. OUR MOST SUCCESSFUL PROGRAM IN CHICAGO, WHICH IS SPREADING TO MANY PARTS OF THE NATION, IS OPERATION BREADBASKET. IT HAS RESULTED IN SIGNIFICANT GAINS, FOR NEARLY A THOUSAND NEGROES WHO NOW HOLD JOBS AVERAGING $120 WEEKLY IN BUSINESSES THAT FORMERLY DID NOT HIRE A JUST PROPORTION OF BLACK PEOPLE.

NEARLY SEVEN MILLION DOLLARS PER YEAR HAS NOW ENHANCED THE NEGRO COMMUNITY'S CONSUMER POWER.

IN ADDITION TO NEW JOBS IN THE DAIRY, SOFT-DRINK AND SUPERMARKET INDUSTRIES, NEGRO BUSINESSES HAVE MADE MAJOR GAINS THROUGH THE PROGRAM. PRODUCTS OF NEGRO-OWNED BUSINESSES, AS WELL AS NEGRO-OWNED SERVICES AND FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS, HAVE FOUND AN INCREASINGLY LARGER MARKET THROUGH OPERATION BREADBASKET. THIS HAS IN SOME CASES EXTENDED BEYOND THE GHETTO AND INTO FORMERLY ALL-WHITE MARKET AREAS.

MOST RECENTLY, OPERATION BREADBASKET HELD A LANDMARK SEMINAR IN WHICH A HOST OF PROMINENT BUSINESSMEN AND CONSULTANTS DEALT WITH SOME OF THE MANAGEMENT PROBLEMS FACED BY THE SMALL BUT GROWING COMMUNITY OF NEGRO BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY.

THE ATTACK ON UNDERDEVELOPMENT IN THE NEGRO BUSINESS COMMUNITY WILL SOON BROADEN TO INCLUDE BUILDING CONTRACTORS. NEGRO CONTRACTORS HAVE BEEN DENIED MANY MAJOR OPPORTUNITIES, PARTICULARLY IN THE PUBLIC SPHERE. NO NEGRO CONTRACTOR TO OUR KNOWLEDGE, FOR INSTANCE, HAS EVEN BUILT A SCHOOL. THIS MUST SOON CHANGE.

WE WILL, AS I ANNOUNCED LATE LAST YEAR, ATTEMPT TO SEEK OUT NEGRO CONTRACTORS TO WORK ON OUR FEDERALLY-SPONSORED $4-MILLION DOLLAR HOUSING REHABILITATION AND COOPERATIVE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM.

THIS PROGRAM, WHICH WILL REHABILITATE SOME 500 FAMILY-SIZED UNITS IN THREE SLUM AREAS AND TURN THEM OVER TO NEIGHBORHOOD COOPERATIVES, HAS NOW TAKEN OPTIONS ON EIGHT BUILDINGS IN LAWNDALE AND EAST GARFIELD PARK HAVING SOME 100 APARTMENT UNITS. WE ARE ALSO INVESTIGATING UNITS IN KENWOOD-OAKLAND.

IN CONNECTION WITH OUR REHABILITATION PLANS, WE ARE DEVELOPING A PROPOSAL THAT WILL GO TO PRIVATE OR PUBLIC AGENCIES TO FUND A $300,000 PROGRAM TO TRAIN REAL ESTATE MANAGEMENT SPECIALISTS, REHABILITATION SPECIALISTS, SERVICE AND MAINTENANCE PERSONNEL.

WE HAVE ALSO INITIATED A MODEL COOPERATIVE BUYING CLUB FOR THE POOR -- PRIMARILY RELIEF RECIPIENTS WHO CAN UTILIZE FOOD STAMPS. SOME 200 FAMILIES NOW PURCHASE STAPLES AS WELL AS FRESH FRUITS, VEGETABLES, AND DAIRY PRODUCTS AT GREAT SAVINGS.

ON ANOTHER RELATED FRONT, WE ARE IN THE PROCESS OF SOLIDIFYING THE GAINS MADE IN OUR CAMPAIGN TO CREATE VIABLE TENANT UNIONS, WE HAVE BROUGHT ABOUT GENUINE COLLECTIVE BARGAINING CONTRACTS AND THE MANY BENEFITS OF UNIONIZATION IN PLACE OF THE CONTRACTUAL SERVITUDE OF STANDARD LEASES WITH THEIR LOPSIDED IMBALANCE OF LANDLORD RIGHTS AND TENANT RESPONSIBILITIES.

MORE THAN 10,000 PERSONS ARE NOW COVERED BY ABOUT A DOZEN MAJOR TENANT UNION CONTRACTS WITH LARGE OWNERS AND BUILDING MANAGEMENT FIRMS. MORE THAN A DOZEN OTHER, SMALLER TENANT UNIONS HAVE SPRUNG UP AROUND THE CITY AND HAVE GAINED CONTRACTS THAT WILL RESULT IN REPAIRS AND REHABILITATION, INCREASED SERVICES, AND RENT STABILIZATION.

THE TENANT UNIONS REPRESENT A VIRTUALLY REVOLUTIONARY CHANGE IN THE TENANT-LANDLORD RELATIONSHIP.

THESE ARE SMALL GAINS, INDEED, WHEN WEIGHED AGAINST THE PONDEROUS PROBLEMS OF THE VAST MAJORITY OF THE CITY'S IMPOVERISHED BLACK COMMUNITY. THEY ARE, IN FACT, ONLY MODELS OF SOME OF THE STRUCTURAL CHANGES THAT MUST COME ABOUT BEFORE THOSE ENTRAPPED IN THE DEEP MINESHAFTS OF POVERTY AND SEGREGATION CAN BREATHE THE CLEAN AIR OF JUSTICE AND LIBERATION.

I HAVE REVIEWED A REPORT DRAFTED BY THE FREEDOM MOVEMENT'S EVALUATION COMMITTEE, AND FROM PRELIMINARY CONVERSATIONS, IT IS CLEAR TO ME THAT CITY AGENCIES HAVE BEEN INERT IN UPHOLDING THEIR COMMITMENTS TO THE OPEN HOUSING PACT.

I WILL NOT HERE ATTEMPT TO GO INTO THE DETAILS OF THE REPORT, BUT I MUST EXPRESS OUR SWELLING DISILLUSIONMENT WITH THE FOOT-DRAGGING, NEGATIVE ACTIONS OF AGENCIES SUCH AS THE CHICAGO HOUSING AUTHORITY, DEPARTMENT OF URBAN RENEWAL, AND THE COMMISSION ON HUMAN RELATIONS.

IT APPEARS THAT FOR ALL INTENTS AND PURPOSES, THE PUBLIC AGENCIES HAVE RENEGED ON THE AGREEMENT AND HAVE, IN FACT, GIVEN CREDENCE TO THE APOSTLES OF SOCIAL DISORDER WHO PROCLAIMED THE HOUSING AGREEMENT A SHAM AND A BATCH OF FALSE PROMISES.

THE LEADERSHIP COUNCIL MUST RECOGNIZE THAT THE CITY'S INACTION IS NOT JUST A REBUFF TO THE CHICAGO FREEDOM MOVEMENT OR A COURTSHIP OF THE WHITE BACKLASH, BUT ALSO ANOTHER HOT COAL ON THE SMOULDERING FIRES OF DISCONTENT AND DESPAIR THAT ARE RAMPANT IN OUR BLACK ~~GHETTOES~~ COMMUNITIES.

FOR MORE THAN A MONTH DURING THE MARCHES WE WERE TOLD TO COME TO THE BARGAINING TABLE, THAT COMPROMISE AND NEGOTIATION WERE THE ONLY WAYS TO SOLVE THE COMPLEX, MULTI-LAYERED PROBLEMS OF OPEN OCCUPANCY.

WE CAME. WE SAT. WE NEGOTIATED.

WE REACHED THE SUMMIT, AND NOW, NEARLY SEVEN MONTHS TO THE DAY, WE FIND THAT MUCH OF THE GROUND HAS BEEN CUT OUT FROM BENEATH US.

HOWEVER, AT THIS JUNCTURE, I CANNOT SAY THAT ALL IS LOST. THERE ARE MANY DECENT, RESPECTED AND SINCERE PERSONS ON THE LEADERSHIP COUNCIL WHO HAVE NOT BROKEN FAITH. I MUST PLEAD WITH THOSE RESPONSIBLE AND RESPONSIVE PERSONS TO TAKE A GOOD, LONG, HARD LOOK AT THE FACTS, AND ACT NOW IN AN EFFORT TO REGAIN THE SPIRIT OF GOOD FAITH THAT EXISTED WHEN WE BEGAN.

IT IS NOT TOO LATE, EVEN WITH THE FAILURES OF YESTERDAY, TO RENEW THE EFFORT AND TAKE SOME FIRST STEPS TOWARD THE GOALS PLEDGED LAST AUGUST. OPEN HOUSING MUST BECOME MORE THAN A MEANINGLESS SCRAP OF PAPER. IT MUST BECOME A REALITY IF THIS CITY IS TO BE SAVED.

THANK YOU.

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An Address by
Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.
March 25 Peace Parade and Rally
Chicago, Illinois

I WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK TO YOU CANDIDLY AND FORTHRIGHTLY THIS AFTERNOON ABOUT OUR PRESENT INVOLVEMENT IN VIETNAM. WE ARE ALL AWARE OF THE NIGHTMARISH CASUALTIES OF WAR AS NEVER BEFORE. WE SEE THEM IN OUR LIVING ROOMS IN ALL OF THEIR TRAGIC DIMENSIONS ON TELEVISION SCREENS, AN D WE READ ABOUT THEM ON OUR SUBWAY AND BUS RIDES IN DAILY NEWSPAPER ACCOUNTS. WE SEE THE RICE FIELDS OF A SMALL ASIAN COUNTRY BEING TRAMPLED AT WILL AND BURNED AT WHIM; WE SEE GRIEF-STRICKEN MOTHERS WITH CRYING BABIES CLUTCHED IN THEIR ARMS AS THEY WATCH THEIR LITTLE HUTS BURST FORTH INTO FLAMES; WE SEE THE FIELDS AND VALLEYS OF BATTLE BEING PAINTED WITH HUMANKIND'S BLOOD; WE SEE THE BROKEN BODIES LEFT PROSTRATE IN COUNTLESS FIELDS; WE SEE YOUNG MEN GOING HOME HALF-MEN--- PHYSICALLY HANDICAP PED AND MENTALLY DERANGED; WE SEE CHILDREN .... THEIR BURNED, BROKEN BODIES STREWN ALONG THE ROADSIDE RUBBLE.

A WAR IN WHICH CHILDREN ARE INCINERATED BY NAPALM, IN WHICH AMERICAN SOLDIERS DIE IN MOUNTING NUMBERS WHILE OTHER AMERICAN SOLDIERS, ACCORDING TO PRESS ACCOUNTS, IN UNRESTRAINED HATRED SHOOT THE WOUNDED ENEMY AS THEY LIE

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QUOTED THE AMERICAN DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE IN THEIR OWN DOCUMENT OF FREEDOM, WE REFUSED TO RECOGNIZE THEM. INSTEAD, WE DECIDED TO SUPPORT FRANCE IN ITS RE-CONQUEST OF HER FORMER COLONY.

PRESIDENT TRUMAN FELT THEN THAT THE VIETNAMESE PEOPLE WERE NOT "READY" FOR INDEPENDENCE, AND WE AGAIN FELL VICTIM TO THE DEADLY WESTERN ARROGANCE THAT HAS POISONED THE INTERNATIONAL ATMOSPHERE FOR SO LONG. WITH THAT TRAGIC DECISION, WE REJECTED A REVOLUTIONARY GOVERNMENT SEEKING SELF-DETERMINATION, AND A GOVERNMENT THAT HAD BEEN ESTABLISHED NOT BY CHINA (FOR WHOM THE VIETNAMESE HAVE NO GREAT LOVE), BUT BY CLEARLY INDIGENOUS FORCES THAT INCLUDED SOME COMMUNISTS. BUT WE SHOULD REMEMBER THAT THE GOVERNMENTS OF VIRTUALLY ALL OUR ALLIES IN WESTERN EUROPE HAVE ALSO AT TIMES INCLUDED SOME COMMUNISTS.

FOR NINE YEARS FOLLOWING 1945 WE DENIED THE PEOPLE OF VIETNAM THE RIGHT TO INDEPENDENCE. FOR NINE YEARS WE VIGOROUSLY SUPPORTED THE FRENCH IN THEIR ABORTIVE EFFORT TO RE-COLONIZE VIETNAM.

BEFORE THE END OF THE WAR WE WERE MEETING 80% OF THE FRENCH WAR COSTS. EVEN BEFORE THE FRENCH WERE DEFEATED AT DIENBIEN PHU, THEY BEGAN TO DESPAIR OF THEIR RECKLESS ACTION, BUT WE DID NOT. WE ENCOURAGED THEM WITH OUR HUGE FINANCIAL AND MILITARY SUPPLIES TO CONTINUE THE WAR EVEN AFTER THEY HAD LOST THE WILL.

ON THE GROUND, A WAR THAT MUTILATES THE CONSCIENCE. THESE CASUALTIES SHOULD BE ENOUGH TO CAUSE ALL MEN TO RISE UP WITH RIGHTEOUS INDIGNATION AND OPPOSE THE VERY NATURE OF WAR.

BUT INSTEAD, OUR HEARTS GROW HARD AND COLD TOWARD THE MOUNTING SUFFERING, AND WE JUSTIFY THIS BESTIAL BEHAVIOR IN THE NAME OF FREEDOM AND DEMOCRACY.

ONE QUESTIONS WHETHER ANY GOOD END COULD POSSIBLY COME FROM SO EVIL A MEANS. CERTAINLY, WITH THE HORROR OF WAR SO NEAR AT HAND, INTELLIGENT MEN SHOULD CLEARLY SEE THAT THERE CAN BE NO VICTORY FOR HUMANITY THROUGH THIS CALCULATED INHUMANITY. THE ONLY VICTORY POSSIBLE THROUGH THIS KIND OF SLAUGHTER ON BOTH SIDES IS THE VICTORY OF EVIL OVER GOOD. THE QUESTION OF WHICH SIDE IS IN THE RIGHT IS MOOT INDEED.

LET US EXAMINE THE VIEW THAT WE ARE FIGHTING FOR FREEDOM AND DEMOCRACY IN VIETNAM.

A BRIEF LOOK AT THE BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF THIS WAR REVEALS WITH BRUTAL CLARITY THE UGLINESS OF OUR POLICY. THE VIETNAMESE PEOPLE PROCLAIMED THEIR OWN INDEPENDENCE IN 1945 AFTER A COMBINED FRENCH AND JAPANESE OCCUPATION, AND <u>BEFORE</u> THE COMMUNIST REVOLUTION IN CHINA. THEY WERE LED BY THE NOW WELL-KNOWN HO CHI MINH, WHO HAD LED HIS PEOPLE'S RESISTANCE AGAINST THE JAPANESE. EVEN THOUGH THEY

DURING THIS PERIOD UNITED STATES GOVERNMENTAL OFFICIALS BEGAN TO BRAINWASH THE AMERICAN PUBLIC. JOHN FOSTER DULLES ASSIDUOUSLY SOUGHT TO PROVE THAT INDO-CHINA WAS ESSENTIAL TO OUR SECURITY AGAINST THE CHINESE COMMUNIST PERIL. WHEN A NEGOTIATED SETTLEMENT OF THE WAR WAS REACHED IN 1954, THROUGH THE GENEVA ACCORD, IT WAS DONE AGAINST OUR WILL. AFTER DOING ALL THAT WE COULD TO SABOTAGE THE PLANNING FOR THE GENEVA ACCORD, WE FINALLY REFUSED TO SIGN IT.

SOON AFTER THIS WE HELPED INSTALL NGO DINH DIEM. WE SUPPORTED HIM IN HIS BETRAYAL OF THE GENEVA ACCORD AND HIS REFUSAL TO HAVE THE PROMISED 1956 ELECTION. WE WATCHED WITH APPROVAL AS HE ENGAGED IN RUTHLESS AND BLOODY PERSECUTION OF ALL OPPOSITION FORCES. WHEN DIEM'S INFAMOUS ACTIONS FINALLY LED TO THE FORMATION OF THE NATIONAL LIBERATION FRONT, THE AMERICAN PUBLIC WAS DUPED INTO BELIEVING THAT THE CIVIL REBELLION WAS BEING WAGED BY PUPPETS FROM HANOI. AS DOUGLAS PIKE WROTE: "IN HORROR, AMERICANS HELPLESSLY WATCHED DIEM TEAR APART THE FABRIC OF VIETNAMESE SOCIETY MORE EFFECTIVELY THAN THE COMMUNISTS HAD EVER BEEN ABLE TO DO IT. IT WAS THE MOST EFFICIENT ACT OF HIS ENTIRE CAREER."

SINCE DIEM'S DEATH, WE HAVE ACTIVELY SUPPORTED ANOTHER DOZEN MILITARY DICTATORSHIPS ALL IN THE NAME OF FIGHTING FOR FREEDOM. WHEN IT BECAME EVIDENT THAT THESE REGIMES

COULD NOT DEFEAT THE VIETCONG, WE BEGAN TO STEADILY INCREASE OUR FORCES, CALLED THEM "MILITARY ADVISORS" RATHER THAN SOLDIERS.

TODAY, WE ARE FIGHTING AN ALL-OUT WAR---UNDECLARED BY CONGRESS. WE HAVE WELL OVER 400,000 AMERICAN SERVICEMEN FIGHTING IN THAT BENIGHTED AND UNHAPPY COUNTRY. AMERICAN PLANES ARE BOMBING THE TERRITORY OF ANOTHER COUNTRY, AND WE ARE COMMITTING ATROCITIES EQUAL TO ANY PERPETRATED BY THE VIETCONG. THIS IS THE THIRD LARGEST WAR IN AMERICAN HISTORY.

ALL OF THIS REVEALS THAT WE ARE IN AN UNTENABLE POSITION MORALLY AND POLITICALLY, WE ARE LEFT STANDING BEFORE THE WORLD GLUTTED BY OUR OWN BARBARITY. WE ARE ENGAGED IN A WAR THAT SEEKS TO TURN THE CLOCK OF HISTORY BACK AND PERPETUATE WHITE COLONIALISM.

THE GREATEST IRONY AND TRAGEDY OF IT ALL IS THAT OUR NATION, WHICH INITIATED SO MUCH OF THE REVOLUTIONARY SPIRIT OF THE MODERN WORLD, IS NOW CAST IN THE MOLD OF BEING AN ARCH ANTI-REVOLUTIONARY. CERTAINLY, THIS STREAM OF EVENTS IS NOT CONTRIBUTING TO FREEDOM AND DEMOCRACY ABROAD. IT OFFERS NO HOPE TO AFRICA AND SOUTH AMERICA, AND IT LEAVES US IN THE WEAKEST POSTURE OF WORLD STATURE SINCE OUR BIRTH AS A NATION. THIS WAR IS A BLASPHEMY AGAINST ALL THAT AMERICA STANDS FOR.

NEITHER IS THIS WAR CONTRIBUTING TO OUR FREEDOM AND DEMOCRACY AT HOME.

IN TRUTH, THE HOPES OF THE GREAT SOCIETY HAVE BEEN OVERCOME BY THE FEARS AND FRUSTRATIONS OF VIETNAM. THE PURSUIT OF THIS WIDENED WAR HAS NARROWED DOMESTIC WELFARE PROGRAMS, MAKING THE POOR, WHITE AND NEGRO, BEAR THE HEAVIEST BURDENS BOTH AT THE FRONT AND AT HOME.

THE ANTI-POVERTY PROGRAM IS CAUTIOUSLY INITIATED, ZEALOUSLY SUPERVISED AND EVALUATED FOR IMMEDIATE RESULTS, WHILE BILLIONS ARE LIBERALLY EXPENDED FOR THIS ILL-CONSIDERED WAR. THE RECENTLY REVEALED MIS-ESTIMATE OF THE WAR BUDGET AMOUNTS TO TEN BILLION DOLLARS FOR A SINGLE YEAR. THIS ERROR ALONE IS MORE THAN FIVE TIMES THE AMOUNT COMMITTED TO ANTI-POVERTY PROGRAMS. THE SECURITY WE PROFESS TO SEEK IN FOREIGN ADVENTURES WE WILL LOSE IN OUR DECAYING CITIES. THE BOMBS IN VIETNAM EXPLODE AT HOME: THEY DESTROY THE DREAM AND POSSIBILITY FOR A DECENT AMERICA.

IF WE REVERSED INVESTMENTS AND GAVE THE ARMED FORCES THE ANTI-POVERTY BUDGET, THE GENERALS COULD BE FORGIVEN IF THEY WALKED OFF THE BATTLEFIELD IN DISGUST.

POVERTY, URBAN PROBLEMS AND SOCIAL PROGRESS GENERALLY ARE IGNORED WHEN THE GUNS OF WAR BECOME A NATIONAL OBSESSION. WHEN IT IS NOT OUR SECURITY THAT IS AT

STAKE, BUT QUESTIONABLE AND VAGUE COMMITMENTS TO REACTIONARY REGIMES, VALUES DISINTEGRATE INTO FOOLISH AND ADOLESCENT SLOGANS.

IT IS ESTIMATED THAT WE SPEND $322,000 FOR EACH ENEMY WE KILL, WHILE WE SPEND IN THE SO-CALLED WAR ON POVERTY IN AMERICA ONLY ABOUT $53.00 FOR EACH PERSON CLASSIFIED AS "POOR". AND MUCH OF THAT $53.00 GOES FOR SALARIES OF PEOPLE WHO ARE NOT POOR. WE HAVE ESCALATED THE WAR IN VIETNAM AND DE-ESCALATED THE SKIRMISH AGAINST POVERTY. IT CHALLENGES THE IMAGINATION TO CONTEMPLATE WHAT LIVES WE COULD TRANSFORM IF WE WERE TO CEASE KILLING.

AT THIS MOMENT IN HISTORY IT IS IRREFUTABLE THAT OUR WORLD PRESTIGE IS PATHETICALLY FRAIL. OUR WAR POLICY EXCITES PRONOUNCED CONTEMPT AND AVERSION VIRTUALLY EVERYWHERE. EVEN WHEN SOME NATIONAL GOVERNMENTS, FOR REASONS OF ECONOMIC AND DIPLOMATIC INTEREST, DO NOT CONDEMN US, THEIR PEOPLE IN SURPRISING MEASURE HAVE MADE CLEAR THEY DO NOT SHARE THE OFFICIAL POLICY.

WE ARE ISOLATED IN OUR FALSE VALUES IN A WORLD DEMANDING SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC JUSTICE. WE MUST UNDERGO A VIGOROUS RE-ORDERING OF OUR NATIONAL PRIORITIES.

AMERICA IS A GREAT NATION, BUT IN THIS WAR SHE SEEMS BENT ON HER OWN DESTRUCTION. THROUGH RUGGED DETERMINATION, SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL PROGRESS AND DAZZLING ACHIEVEMENTS, AMERICA HAS BECOME THE RICHEST AND MOST POWERFUL NATION IN THE WORLD. WE HAVE BUILT MACHINES THAT THINK AND INSTRUMENTS THAT PEER INTO THE UNFATHOMABLE RANGES OF INTERSTELLAR SPACE.

WE HAVE BUILT GARGANTUAN BRIDGES TO SPAN THE SEAS AND GIGANTIC BUILDINGS TO KISS THE SKIES. THROUGH OUR AIRPLANES AND SPACESHIPS WE HAVE DWARFED DISTANCE AND PLACED TIME IN CHAINS, AND THROUGH OUR SUBWAYS WE HAVE PENETRATED OCEANIC DEPTHS. THIS YEAR, OUR NATIONAL GROSS PRODUCT WILL REACH THE ASTOUNDING FIGURE OF 780 BILLION DOLLARS. ALL OF THIS IS A STAGGERING PICTURE OF OUR GREAT POWER.

BUT HONESTY IMPELS ME TO ADMIT THAT OUR POWER HAS OFTEN MADE US ARROGANT. WE FEEL THAT OUR MONEY CAN DO ANYTHING. WE ARROGANTLY FEEL THAT WE HAVE EVERYTHING TO TEACH OTHER NATIONS AND NOTHING TO LEARN FROM THEM. WE OFTEN ARROGANTLY FEEL THAT WE HAVE SOME DIVINE, MESSIANIC MISSION TO POLICE THE WHOLE WORLD. WE ARE ARROGANT IN NOT ALLOWING YOUNG NATIONS TO GO THROUGH THE SAME GROWING PAINS, TURBULENCE AND REVOLUTION THAT CHARACTERIZED OUR HISTORY.

WE ARE ARROGA[redacted] IN OUR CONTENTION THAT [redacted] HAVE SOME SACRED MISSION TO PROTECT PEOPLE FROM TOTALITARIAN RULE, WHILE WE MAKE LITTLE USE OF OUR POWER TO END THE EVILS OF SOUTH AFRICA AND RHODESIA, AND WHILE WE IN FACT SUPPORT DICTATORSHIPS WITH GUNS AND MONEY UNDER THE GUISE OF FIGHTING COMMUNISM. WE ARE ARROGANT IN PROFESSING TO BE CONCERNED ABOUT THE FREEDOM OF FOREIGN NATIONS WHILE NOT SETTING OUR OWN HOUSE IN ORDER. MANY OF OUR SENATORS AND CONGRESSMEN VOTE JOYOUSLY TO APPROPRIATE BILLIONS OF DOLLARS FOR WAR IN VIETNAM, AND THESE SAME SENATORS AND CONGRESSMEN VOTE LOUDLY AGAINST A FAIR HOUSING BILL TO MAKE IT POSSIBLE FOR A NEGRO VETERAN OF VIETNAM TO PURCHASE A DECENT HOME. WE ARM NEGRO SOLDIERS TO KILL ON FOREIGN BATTLEFIELDS, BUT OFFER LITTLE PROTECTION FOR THEIR RELATIVES FROM BEATINGS AND KILLINGS IN OUR OWN SOUTH. WE ARE WILLING TO MAKE THE NEGRO 100% OF A CITIZEN IN WARFARE, BUT REDUCE HIM TO 50% OF A CITIZEN ON AMERICAN SOIL. OF ALL THE GOOD THINGS IN LIFE, THE NEGRO HAS APPROXIMATELY ONE HALF THOSE OF WHITES; OF THE BAD, HE HAS TWICE THAT OF WHITES. THUS, HALF OF ALL NEGROES LIVE IN SUBSTANDARD HOUSING, AND HE HAS HALF THE INCOME OF WHITES. WHEN WE TURN TO THE NEGATIVE EXPERIENCES OF LIFE, THE NEGRO HAS A DOUBLE SHARE. THERE ARE TWICE AS MANY NEGROES IN COMBAT IN VIETNAM AT THE BEGINNING OF 1967 AND TWICE AS MANY DIED IN ACTION (20.6%) IN PROPORTION TO THEIR NUMBERS IN THE POPULATION AS WHITES.

ALL OF THIS REVEALS THAT OUR NATION HAS NOT YET USED ITS VAST RESOURCES OF POWER TO END THE LONG NIGHT OF POVERTY, RACISM AND MAN'S INHUMANITY TO MAN. ENLARGED POWER MEANS ENLARGED PERIL IF THERE IS NOT CONCOMMITANT GROWTH OF THE SOUL. GENUINE POWER IS THE RIGHT USE OF STRENGTH. IF OUR NATION'S STRENGTH IS NOT USED RESPONSIBLY AND WITH RESTRAINT, IT WILL BE, FOLLOWING ACTON'S DICTUM, POWER THAT TENDS TO CORRUPT AND ABSOLUTE POWER THAT CORRUPTS ABSOLUTELY. OUR ARROGANCE CAN BE OUR DOOM. IT CAN BRING THE CURTAINS DOWN ON OUR NATIONAL DRAMA. ULTIMATELY, A GREAT NATION IS A COMPASSIONATE NATION. WE ARE CHALLENGED IN THESE TURBULENT DAYS TO USE OUR POWER TO SPEED UP THE DAY WHEN "EVERY VALLEY SHALL BE EXALTED, AND EVERY MOUNTAIN AND HILL SHALL BE MADE LOW; AND THE CROOKED SHALL BE MADE STRAIGHT, AND THE ROUGH PLACES PLAIN."

LET ME SAY FINALLY THAT I OPPOSE THE WAR IN VIETNAM BECAUSE I LOVE AMERICA. I SPEAK OUT AGAINST IT NOT IN ANGER BUT WITH ANXIETY AND SORROW IN MY HEART, AND ABOVE ALL WITH A PASSIONATE DESIRE TO SEE OUR BELOVED COUNTRY STAND AS THE MORAL EXAMPLE OF THE WORLD. I SPEAK OUT AGAINST THIS WAR BECAUSE I AM DISAPPOINTED WITH AMERICA. THERE CAN BE NO GREAT DISAPPOINTMENT WHERE THERE IS NO GREAT LOVE. I AM DISAPPOINTED WITH OUR FAILURE TO DEAL POSITIVELY

AND FORTHRIGHTLY WITH THE TRIPLE EVILS OF RACISM, EXTREME MATERIALISM AND MILITARISM. WE ARE PRESENTLY MOVING DOWN A DEAD-END ROAD WHICH CAN LEAD TO NATIONAL DISASTER.

JESUS ONCE TOLD A PARABLE OF A YOUNG MAN WHO LEFT HOME AND WANDERED INTO A FAR COUNTRY WHERE, IN ADVENTURE AFTER ADVENTURE AND SENSATION AFTER SENSATION, HE SOUGHT LIFE. BUT HE NEVER FOUND IT; HE FOUND ONLY FRUSTRATION AND BEWILDERMENT. THE FARTHER HE MOVED FROM HIS FATHER'S HOUSE, THE CLOSER HE CAME TO THE HOUSE OF DESPAIR. THE MORE HE DID WHAT HE LIKED, THE LESS HE LIKED WHAT HE DID. AFTER THE BOY HAD WASTED ALL, A FAMINE DEVELOPED IN THE LAND, AND HE ENDED UP SEEKING FOOD IN A PIG'S TROUGH. BUT THE STORY DOES NOT END THERE. IT GOES ON TO SAY THAT IN THIS STATE OF DISILLUSIONMENT, BLINDING FRUSTRATION AND HOMESICKNESS, THE BOY "CAME TO HIMSELF" AND SAID, "I WILL ARISE AND GO TO MY FATHER, AND WILL SAY TO HIM, FATHER, I HAVE SINNED AGAINST HEAVEN AND BEFORE THEE." THE PRODIGAL SON WAS NOT HIMSELF WHEN HE LEFT HIS FATHER'S HOUSE OR WHEN HE DREAMED THAT PLEASURE WAS THE END OF LIFE. ONLY WHEN HE MADE UP HIS MIND TO GO HOME AND BE A SON AGAIN DID HE REALLY COME TO HIMSELF. THE PARABLE ENDS WITH THE BOY RETURNING HOME TO FIND A LOVING FATHER WAITING WITH OUSTRETCHED ARMS AND HEART FILLED WITH UNUTTERABLE JOY.

THIS IS AN ANALOGY OF WHAT AMERICA CONFRONTS TODAY. LIKE ALL HUMAN ANALOGIES, IT IS IMPERFECT, BUT IT DOES SUGGEST SOME PARALLELS WORTH CONSIDERING. AMERICA HAS STRAYED TO THE FAR COUNTRY OF RACISM AND MILITARISM. THE HOME THAT ALL TOO MANY AMERICANS LEFT WAS SOLIDLY STRUCTURED IDEALISTICALLY. ITS PILLARS WERE SOUNDLY GROUNDED IN THE INSIGHTS OF OUR JUDEO-CHRISTIAN HERITAGE--ALL MEN ARE MADE IN THE IMAGE OF GOD; ALL MEN ARE BROTHERS; ALL MEN ARE CREATED EQUAL; EVERY MAN IS HEIR TO A LEGACY OF DIGNITY AND WORTH; EVERY MAN HAS RIGHTS THAT ARE NEITHER CONFERRED BY NOR DERIVED FROM THE STATE, THEY ARE GOD-GIVEN; OUT OF ONE BLOOD GOD MADE ALL MEN TO DWELL UPON THE FACE OF THE EARTH. WHAT A MARVELOUS FOUNDATION FOR ANY HOME! WHAT A GLORIOUS AND HEALTHY PLACE TO INHABIT! BUT AMERICA STRAYED AWAY; AND THIS UNNATURAL EXCURSION HAS BROUGHT ONLY CONFUSION AND BEWILDERMENT. IT HAS LEFT HEARTS ACHING WITH GUILT AND MINDS DISTORTED WITH IRRATIONALITY. IT HAS DRIVEN WISDOM FROM HER SACRED THRONE. THIS LONG AND CALLOUS SOJOURN IN THE FAR COUNTRY OF RACISM AND MILITARISM HAS BROUGHT A MORAL AND SPIRITUAL FAMINE TO THE NATION.

IT IS TIME FOR ALL PEOPLE OF CONSCIENCE TO CALL UPON AMERICA TO RETURN TO HER TRUE HOME OF BROTHERHOOD AND PEACEFUL PURSUITS. WE CANNOT REMAIN SILENT AS OUR NATION ENGAGES IN ONE OF HISTORY'S MOST CRUEL AND SENSELESS WARS.

AMERICA MUST CONTINUE TO HAVE, DURING THESE DAYS OF HUMAN TRAVAIL, A COMPANY OF CREATIVE DISSENTERS. WE NEED THEM BECAUSE THE THUNDER OF THEIR FEARLESS VOICES WILL BE THE ONLY SOUND STRONGER THAN THE BLASTS OF BOMBS AND THE CLAMOR OF WAR HYSTERIA.

THOSE OF US WHO LOVE PEACE MUST ORGANIZE AS EFFECTIVELY AS THE WAR HAWKS. AS THEY SPREAD THE PROPAGANDA OF WAR, WE MUST SPREAD THE PROPAGANDA OF PEACE. WE MUST COMBINE THE FERVOR OF THE CIVIL RIGHTS MOVEMENT WITH THE PEACE MOVEMENT. WE MUST DEMONSTRATE, TEACH AND PREACH, UNTIL THE VERY FOUNDATIONS OF OUR NATION ARE SHAKEN. WE MUST WORK UNCEASINGLY TO LIFT THIS NATION THAT WE LOVE TO A HIGHER DESTINY, TO A NEW PLATEAU OF COMPASSION, TO A MORE NOBLE EXPRESSION OF HUMANE-NESS.

I HAVE TRIED TO BE HONEST TODAY. TO BE HONEST IS TO CONFRONT THE TRUTH: TO BE HONEST IS TO REALIZE THAT THE ULTIMATE MEASURE OF A MAN IS NOT WHERE HE STANDS IN MOMENTS OF CONVENIENCE AND MOMENTS OF COMFORT, BUT WHERE HE STANDS IN MOMENTS OF CHALLENGE AND MOMENTS OF CONTROVERSY. HOWEVER UNPLEASANT AND INCONVENIENT THE TRUTH MAY BE, I BELIEVE WE MUST EXPOSE AND FACE IT IF WE ARE TO ACHIEVE A BETTER QUALITY OF AMERICAN LIFE.

JUST THE OTHER DAY, THE DISTINGUISHED AMERICAN HISTORIAN, HENRY STEELE COMMAGER, TOLD A SENATE COMMITTEE:

"JUSTICE HOLMES USED TO SAY THAT THE FIRST LESSON A JUDGE HAD TO LEARN WAS THAT HE WAS NOT GOD. . . WE DO TEND PERHAPS MORE THAN OTHER NATIONS, TO TRANSFORM OUR WARS INTO CRUSADES. . . OUR CURRENT INVOLVEMENT IN VIETNAM IS CAST, INCREASINGLY, INTO A MORAL MOLD. . . IT IS MY FEELING THAT WE DO NOT HAVE THE RESOURCES, MATERIAL, INTELLECTUAL OR MORAL, TO BE AT ONCE AN AMERICAN POWER, A EUROPEAN POWER AND AN ASIAN POWER."

I AGREE WITH MR. COMMAGER. AND I WOULD SUGGEST THAT THERE IS, HOWEVER, ANOTHER KIND OF POWER THAT AMERICA CAN AND SHOULD BE. IT IS A MORAL POWER. A POWER HARNESSED TO THE SERVICE OF PEACE AND HUMAN BEINGS, NOT AN INHUMANE POWER UNLEASHED AGAINST DEFENSELESS PEOPLE. ALL THE WORLD KNOWS THAT AMERICA IS A GREAT MILITARY POWER. WE NEED NOT BE DILIGENT IN SEEKING TO PROVE IT. WE MUST NOW SHOW THE WORLD OUR MORAL POWER.

THERE IS AN ELEMENT OF URGENCY IN OUR RE-DIRECTING AMERICAN POWER. WE ARE NOW FACED WITH THE FACTS THAT TOMORROW IS TODAY. WE ARE CONFRONTED WITH THE FIERCE URGENCY OF <u>NOW</u>. IN THIS UNFOLDING CONUNDRUM OF LIFE AND HISTORY THERE IS SUCH A THING AS BEING TOO LATE. PROCRASTINATION IS STILL THE THIEF OF TIME. LIFE OFTEN LEAVES US STANDING BARE, NAKED AND DEJECTED WITH A LOST OPPORTUNITY. THE "TIDE IN THE AFFAIRS OF MEN" DOES NOT REMAIN AT FLOOD; IT EBBS. WE MAY CRY OUT DESPERATELY

FOR TIME TO PAUSE IN HER PASSAGE, BUT TIME IS ADAMANT TO EVERY PLEA AND RUSHES ON. OVER THE BLEACHED BONES AND JUMBLED RESIDUE OF NUMEROUS CIVILIZATIONS ARE WRITTEN THE PATHETIC WORDS: "TOO LATE". THERE IS AN INVISIBLE BOOK OF LIFE THAT FAITHFULLY RECORDS OUR VIGILANCE OR OUR NEGLECT. "THE MOVING FINGER WRITES, AND HAVING WRIT MOVES ON...." WE STILL HAVE A CHOICE TODAY: NONVIOLENT CO-EXISTENCE OR VIOLENT CO-ANNIHILATION. HISTORY WILL RECORD THE CHOICE WE MADE. IT IS STILL NOT TOO LATE TO MAKE THE PROPER CHOICE. IF WE DECIDE TO BECOME A MORAL POWER, WE WILL BE ABLE TO TRANSFORM THE JANGLING DISCORDS OF THIS WORLD INTO A BEAUTIFUL SYMPHONY OF BROTHERHOOD. IF WE MAKE THE WISE DECISION WE WILL BE ABLE TO TRANSFORM OUR PENDING COSMIC ELEGY INTO A CREATIVE PSALM OF PEACE. THIS WILL BE A GLORIOUS DAY, IN REACHING IT WE CAN FULFILL THE NOBLEST OF AMERICAN DREAMS.

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Dr. King's Causes

DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING is making it increasingly hard for observers to take him seriously as a champion of Negro rights. That cause seems to have taken second place to his growing fascination with protests and the danger of violence as ends in themselves. What interests Dr. King now, it seems, is any course of action that will inflame tempers on a mass scale, whether or not it can possibly serve the cause of civil rights.

Two of Dr. King's utterances over the week-end strengthen this feeling: his speech Saturday before an anti-administration "peace" rally at the Chicago Coliseum, and his warnings at a Friday press conference that this summer will see protest marches and demonstrations that will be "much more massive and more determined" than those held last summer unless more dramatic progress is made against Negro problems here. The plans include more open-occupancy marches on Cicero.

Dr. King's views on Viet Nam are his own business and we are not going to criticize them here, except from one standpoint—that of efficiency. It seems clear that if you want to get a job done, you concentrate on that job; you do not complicate it unnecessarily by borrowing extra trouble.

There is only one certain result of Dr. King's trying to ride the anti-war horse as well as his own: It will brand him uncompromisingly as an enemy in the eyes of many people who might otherwise have listened to what he was saying about civil rights. It will mobilize and multiply resistance to the rights movement for the sake of an issue irrelevant to it. Dr. King is weakening his own prestige, dividing and confusing the Negro rights movement by giving it multiple aims; and all, it seems, for the sake of making as many people as possible angry at him. Is this leadership?

The plans for more protest marches show the same shortsightedness. Whatever these marches accomplished at first, it is surely clear that by now they have become counterproductive. The main result of last summer's marches was to organize and harden resistance to open housing in the communities where they took place. In Cicero, for instance, one outgrowth of the Labor day march was the formation of Citizens for Cicero and Berwyn, an "information" group which pounces on any hint of a move to lower the suburbs' racial barriers.

According to one Negro pastor, the Rev. Henry Mitchell of Lawndale's North Star Missionary Baptist church, the situation is worse now than it was before Dr. King started his Chicago campaign. In a survey of some 5,000 people in the Lawndale area, he said, "only about 10 said they wanted Dr. King to return to Chicago."

Dr. King did leave some room for hope. Tho he took some roundhouse swings at the leadership council formed to carry out last summer's "summit" agreement on open housing, he conceded that all was not lost; that there are "many decent, respected and sincere persons on the council who have not broken faith." We do not believe anyone has broken faith or intends to, and can only hope that Dr. King can be persuaded not to break his.

We appeal to him to start concentrating on making progress instead of making enemies. Believe it or not, Dr. King, there is a difference.

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On March 25, 1967, [redacted] 7th District, Chicago Police Department, advised that ten individuals from the EAC marched in the vicinity of 63rd and Halsted Streets, Chicago, Illinois, from approximately 10:30 AM until 12:00 noon on March 25, 1967. [redacted] further stated that the leader of the group carried a cross, but that no placards were observed in the possession of the marchers. [redacted] stated it was the belief of the Chicago Police Department that the demonstration was more religious than racial in nature. However, it was noted that the EAC has previously demonstrated in this area protesting an urban renewal project which is planned for the area. [redacted] stated that the demonstration was peaceful and that there were no incidents or arrests. b6 b7C

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Copies of this LHM are being disseminated locally to NISO, G-2, OSI, and 111th M.I. Group, Miami.

When information concerning the proposed marathon "Peace Walk" was received from the Jacksonville Office, the following Military and law enforcement agencies were advised:

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111th M.I. Group, Miami,
3/22/67, 3:20 PM.

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3/22/67, 3:25 PM.

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U.S. Secret Service, Miami
3/22/67, 3:28 PM.

AUSA AARON A. FOOSANER,
3/22/67, 3:30 PM.

[redacted]
Dade County Public Safety Dept., (Intelligence Unit),
3/22/67, 3:45 PM.

[redacted]
Miami Police Department (Intelligence Unit)
3/22/67, 3:40 PM.

[redacted]
Ft. Lauderdale, Florida, Police Department,
3/22/67, 2:00 PM.

The sign at SCLC headquarters requesting its members to join the "Peace Walk" was observed from a discreet vantage point by SA [redacted] 3/24/67.

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The "Peace Walk" was observed from discreet vantage point by SAs [redacted] and [redacted] on March 25, 1967. b6 b7C

The first source concealed is [redacted] b7D (by request), [redacted] who furnished the information to SA [redacted] &-4

The second source concealed is [redacted] contacted by SA [redacted] &-4

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

Miami, Florida
March 28, 1967

RE: COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF
STUDENTS FOR A DEMOCRATIC SOCIETY (SDS)
INTERNAL SECURITY - COMMUNIST

Reference is made to a memorandum, dated February 21, 1967, at Miami, Florida. This memorandum, entitled as above, reported a proposed "Peace Walk" from Fort Lauderdale to Miami, Florida, scheduled to occur March 25, 1967.

The March 19, 1967, issue of "The Worker" contained an article entitled "Saturday Rally to Swell April Peace Mobilization." This article stated that a statewide call for "Days of Judgment on the Vietnam War" had been put out for March 18 to the 26, 1967, in Florida. The Statewide Coordinating Committee for this activity, which includes SDS groups, Women Strike for Peace groups and independent committees to end the war in Vietnam, have planned a "Peace Walk" from Fort Lauderdale to Miami, Florida, on March 25, 1967.

"The Worker" is an East Coast Communist newspaper.

Students for a Democratic Society

PHILLIP ABBOTT LUCE, self-admitted national leader of the "new left," until his split with it in 1965, in his book "The New Left," copyright 1966, published by David McKay Company, Inc., New York, New York, comments about the SDS as follows:

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LUCE describes SDS as the student arm of the League for Industrial Democracy, formed in 1960, and says it was originally opposed to the totalitarianism of communism and the programs of the Communist Party, USA (CPUSA). LUCE said that the "old left newspaper," the "National Guardian," in its issue of January 9, 1965, described the SDS as "the largest student organization on the left." LUCE adds: "SDS has become more and more radical and has espoused the united-front policy of joining with the myriad of young communist groups in demonstrations ...SDS has carried its program of the united-front to such an extent that it now feels it must involve itself directly with the young communists in a variety of activities to oppose the war in Vietnam...SDS shelved its communist exclusion clause in its constitution and threw open its membership to young communists." He concludes: "The young communists are, of course, elated at the ultra-left swing of the SDS and are vying to attempt to bring it under their individual control."

The February, 1967, issue, Volume IV, Number 1, of "The New South Student" which, according to its masthead, is the publication of the Southern Student Organizing Committee, disclosed that the week of March 18 to the 26, 1967, would be known as the Florida Days of Judgment on the War in Vietnam. Activities would take place throughout the state. The call to participate in these activities will be made by as many diverse groups and individuals as possible.

Southern Student Organizing Committee

On November 1, 1966, a first source advised that the Southern Student Organizing Committee (SSOC), with headquarters at 1703 Portland

Avenue, Nashville, Tennessee, was formed on the weekend of April 3-5, 1964, to stimulate activity of southern student groups in areas of civil rights, peace, academic freedom, civil liberties, capital punishment and unemployment. Originally it was to be, in effect, the white counterpart of the Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee (SNCC), and it has agreed to and has worked with similar interested groups, SNCC and Students for a Democratic Society (SDS), and it has become a fraternal affiliate of the SDS.

Beginning in the fall of 1966, SSOC became a membership organization and embarked on a campaign to form local chapters on various college campuses throughout the South.

SSOC publishes a monthly publication, "New South Student," which according to source has increasingly defended and espoused the pro-communist and anti-United States position with particular emphasis on attacking United States policy in Vietnam.

A source, on March 23, 1967, advised that he had made inquiry at the Peace Center of Miami, 2120 Flagler Street, Miami, Florida, as to whether CARL BRADEN was the instigator of "The Florida Days of Judgment" and, if so, since he was in sympathy with the "Peace Walk" should he make a monetary contribution directly to CARL BRADEN or through the Peace Center of Miami. The person responding to this inquiry suggested that in order to expedite his contribution he should forward it directly to CARL BRADEN and was furnished the address 32 West Broadway, Louisville, Kentucky.

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ALBERTA AHEARN, 2311 Payne, Louisville, Kentucky, a self-admitted former member of the Communist Party in Louisville, on December 11 and 13, 1954, in her testimony in Jefferson County, Kentucky, Court, in the prosecution of CARL BRADEN, under state sedition statutes, testified that CARL BRADEN and ANNE BRADEN, his wife, were known to her as members of the Communist Party in Louisville, Kentucky, in January, 1951, through December, 1954, which was during the period of her (AHEARN's) Communist Party membership.

The Communist Party, USA, has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 104.50.

The Peace Center of Miami is the local educational office of the American Friends Service Committee.

A second source advised on March 23, 1967, that the marathon "Peace Walk" from Fort Lauderdale to Miami, Florida, scheduled to commence at 3:00 PM, March 24, 1967, was coordinated locally by the Peace Center of Miami and the local chapter of Students for a Democratic Society. The local chapter of the Womens International League for Peace and Freedom, as well as the organization Veterans for Peace in Vietnam, were also expected to participate. The "Walk" was scheduled to re-assemble locally on March 25, 1967, at the local headquarters of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, 534 Northwest 2nd Avenue, Miami, Florida.

It was observed on March 24, 1967, that a sign at the headquarters of the Miami Chapter of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, 534 Northwest 2nd Avenue, Miami, urged its members to take part in the "March against War in Vietnam" on March 24, 1967, as the "walk" passed through the area en route to the Torch of Friendship, its point of terminus.

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The March 25, 1967, issue of the "Miami Herald" contained an article entitled "Youths Riot in Broward." This article stated that a scheduled "Peace March" from Fort Lauderdale to Miami Torch of Friendship was upstaged by the student riot (unrelated) in that area and thus delayed for three hours. About 20 youths protesting the war in Vietnam finally departed Broward County at dusk, unmolested and almost unnoticed. They called their organization the Florida Days of Peace and had hoped to launch the march from the Fort Lauderdale Beach at 3:00 PM. The student riot broke out before they could organize. The group then reorganized at 6:00 PM and commenced their "walk" well away from the throng of vacationing students.

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[redacted] Hollywood Police Department, Hollywood, Florida, advised on the evening of March 24, 1967, that a "Peace Walk" was proceeding along U.S. Highway 1, south, toward Miami, Florida. The 31 youths participating were holding placards aloft calling for peace and an end to the war in Vietnam.

The marathon "Peace Walk" was observed to arrive at the Torch of Friendship, Bayfront Park, Miami, Florida, at approximately 2:30 PM, March 25, 1967. Approximately 75 persons were participating. Following brief ceremonies, the group disbanded at approximately 3:00 PM. The participants were observed to hold placards bearing the following slogans:

"KY says HITLER is his hero."

"Co-existence or No-existence."

"End the War in Vietnam."

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"Draft New Legislation on Poverty - War - Not Students."

"Save Democracy - Bring the Troops Home."

Counter-demonstrators present at the Torch of Friendship, prior to the arrival of the marathon "Peace Walk" carried placards bearing such slogans as:

"We're in it, Let's Win it.",

"Victory in Vietnam."

A band of five Cuban exiles, also counter-demonstrators, carried banners and placards containing the following slogans:

"God Bless U.S. Army - Go."

"CASTRO Means War."

"Russians hands off Cuba."

"Pacifists go to Hanoi - to Ask for Peace."

The March 26, 1967, issue of the "Miami Herald" contained an article captioned "Marchers for Vietnam Peace Find Brawl in Dade County." This article stated that the Peace Marchers, who had walked from Fort Lauderdale carrying placards of protest concerning the war in Vietnam, had paraded in solemn file through Bayfront Park, Miami, Florida. The park regulars watched with detached interest. When the "Peace Walk" arrived, several of the Cuban counter-demonstrators waded in swinging, striking the lead participants in the "Walk." The Cubans, identified, as PEDRO MARTINEZ, 3071 West Flagler Street; ALUARO ESPIMOSA, 4420 Southwest 99th Avenue, and MIQUEL GARCIA, 326 Southwest 6th Street, were arrested by the Police Department of Miami, Florida.

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Literature captioned "Why is the U.S. in Vietnam?" was distributed by the "Walk" participants. A Xerox copy is attached.

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WHY IS THE U.S. IN VIETNAM?

--FOR THE FREEDOM AND SELF-DETERMINATION OF THE VIETNAMESE PEOPLE?

What kind of freedom is represented by the string of dictators the U.S. has installed and supported in South Vietnam? The present one, General Ky (who fought with the French against Vietnamese independence) told a British reporter, "People ask me who my heroes are; I have only one--Hitler."

Under the 1954 Geneva Accords, elections were to be held in 1956. Diem, supported by the U.S., refused to hold the elections. Why? According to Eisenhower, if elections had been held, Ho Chi Minh would have received 80% of the vote. Both Sen. Richard Russell and former South Vietnamese Ambassador Tran Van Dinh state that Ho would win an overwhelming majority in all of Vietnam today.

Vietnamese history is one of resistance against foreign powers. The people of Vietnam have fough against the Chinese, the French, the Japanese, and the French again. The U.S. is now the foreign power opposing the popular will; none of the other powers could win, and the U.S. can not, nor should it want to defeat the popular will in Vietnam.

--TO STOP CHINESE AGGRESSION?

The Defense Dept. admits that there are no Chinese combatant troops in Vietnam. There are, however, 450,000 U.S. troops. Who is the foreign agressor in Vietnam?

--BECAUSE THE OTHER SIDE WON'T NEGOTIATE?

Not true. The U.S. has never offered to negotiate with its main opponent, the National Liberation Front. Just last December, according to the Washington Post, Hanoi had agreed to unconditional peace talks; the U.S. responded by bombing Hanoi and the talks were called off. The Politics of Escalation in Vietnam documents 10 separate opportunities for peace talks which the U.S. ignored or actively sabotaged by escalating the war.

--TO STOP SLAUGHTER?

According to the Dept. of Defense, the Viet Cong have killed 10,000 people in the past 10 years. How do we respond? Estimates of civilian deaths in the past 5 years, mostly resulting from U.S. bombings, according to the International Controls Commission, range from 400,000 to 600,000. U.S. bombings result in approximately 4-6 civilian deaths for every combatant soldier. Over half the civilian deaths are children under 16. We are using mass terror tactics--napalm, phosphorous, toxic gases, crop destruction, a scorched earth policy, and the bombing of civilian centers including schools and hospitls in North and South Vietnam. Is genocide the way to end slaughter? How civilized are we?

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We march today to let you know that we dissent out of a moral concern for everyone suffering in Vietnam. The world has grown too small for us to claim ignorance of the atrocities in Vietnam. Our only choice is between acquiescence to mass murder or action to stop it. We can argue political considerations until the Second Easter or the next world war. But it is our hope that out of human concern, we can all see the moral demand that we bring an immediate end to the war in Vietnam.

WE CALL FOR THE U.S. TO IMMEDIATELY CEASE ALL BOMBING AND WITHDRAW ALL AMERICAN MILITARY FORCES FROM VIETNAM.
WE OFFER AN ALTERNATIVE TO GENOCIDE.
BRING THE TROOPS HOME NOW!

To demonstrate our concern and express our sympathy especially for the suffering of the children of Vietnam, we are walking from Fort Lauderdale (Las Olas Blvd., 3pm, March 24, 1967) to the Torch of Friendship in Miami.

SILENCE IS CONSENT. PLEASE JOIN US.

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Miami, Florida
March 28, 1967

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Title COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF STUDENTS FOR A DEMOCRATIC SOCIETY (SDS)

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Reference letterhead memorandum, dated and captioned as above, at Miami, Florida.

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

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-439190)

FROM: SAC, MEMPHIS (157-109) (P)

SUBJECT: STUDENT NONVIOLENT COORDINATING COMMITTEE (SNCC);
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Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are 10 copies of LHM dated and captioned as above. Four copies of the LHM are being furnished Atlanta.

Copies of the LHM are being furnished to the following agencies: U. S. Secret Service, Nashville; G-2, Third Army, Ft. McPherson, Ga.; 111th INTC Group, Nashville, Tenn.; OSI, Maxwell Air Force Base, Montgomery, Ala.; NISO, Charleston, S. C.

STOKLEY CARMICHAEL's appearance at Nashville, Tenn., Fisk University, 4/6/67, as reported to Bureau by separate communication, apparently precedes Vanderbilt appearance of CARMICHAEL, 4/7-8/67.

Memphis will follow and keep Bureau advised of all pertinent developments regarding Nashville visit of STOKLEY CARMICHAEL and MARTIN LUTHER KING.

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(3-100-438794)

4 - Atlanta (2-100-6488) (Encs. 4) (RM)
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5 - Memphis (2-157-109)
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Memphis, Tennessee
March 20, 1967

The Friday, March 17, 1967, edition of the "Nashville Banner," a Nashville daily newspaper, carried on Page 36 an article captioned "CARMICHAEL, KING SLATED FOR IMPACT." The article indicated that "The Hustler," Vanderbilt University student newspaper, on March 17, 1967, announced that Stokely Carmichael will speak on the Impact Symposium, April 7 - 8, which will be keynoted by Dr. Martin Luther King.

The article indicated that the Impact Symposium consists of annual events sponsored by the Vanderbilt University and the Symposium attempts to delve into current problems.

The Impact, 1967, theme, according to the article, is "The Individual in American Society." The article indicates that in addition to King and Carmichael other speakers to appear before the Symposium include Senator Strom Thurmond of South Carolina, Hedley Donovan, Editor-in-Chief of Time, Incorporated, Journalist Rowland Evans, and India Diplomat P. K. Banerjee.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-438794) DATE: 3/29/67

FROM: SAC, MIAMI (157-489) (P)

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[redacted] that MIKE BAUM, Coordinator of the Greater Miami Chapter of the SCLC was present at the SCLC Regional Conference held at Memphis, Tenn., 1/17 - 19/67. According to this source BAUM was working with slum tenants to get improvement in housing.

[redacted] who has knowledge of Jewish front group activity in the Miami area, could furnish no information that groups such as the Jewish Cultural Center and the Emma Lazarus Federation were active in the Miami Chapter of the SCLC.

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On 3/20/67, [redacted] advised that the SCLC continues to maintain a headquarters at 534 Northwest 2nd Avenue, Miami, is semi-dormant, meets irrgularly, and has no special projects going or special problems to contend with at the present time.

On 3/23/67, [redacted] advised that Miami SCLC members would take part in a march in downtown Miami protesting U. S. participation in the Viet Nam War on 3/25/67.

According to the 3/19/67, issue of "The Worker", an east coast communist newspaper, the march from Ft. Lauderdale, Florida, to the "Torch of Freedom" in downtown Miami on 3/25/67, was being sponsored by the Students for a Democratic Society, Women's Strike for Peace, and Independent Committees to end the War in Viet Nam.

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On 3/24/67, personal observation of Miami SCLC Headquarters by SA [redacted] revealed that it is a one-room office. A sign in the window urged SCLC members to take part in the "March Against War in Viet Nam" on 3/24/67, as the line of marchers passed the area enroute to downtown Miami. b6 b7C

Also observed in the window was SCLC literature showing that JAMES CHATMON was still president of the Miami SCLC. CHATMON or CHATMAN as his name is sometimes seen, cannot be characterized in a security manner.

Information concerning SCLC participation in the 3/25/67, march is being included in a LHM on the march, captioned "Students for a Democratic Society, IS - C", with copies designated for the Bureau and Atlanta SCLC files.

Miami will continue to follow activities of the SCLC to determine Communist influence and membership.

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The following is for information:

Prior Atlanta correspondence from time to time has pointed out the disproportion between the positions occupied in SCLC by MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., and RALPH D. ABERNATHY Vice President and Treasurer, SCLC, as well as the apparent distance between KING and ABERNATHY which seems usually to be of KING's choosing.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-438794) DATE: 4/3/67

FROM : SAC, NEW HAVEN (100-18339) (P)

SUBJECT: COMINFIL OF SCLC
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Re: Atlanta airtel, 3/24/67.

Indices of the New Haven Office reflect no information identifiable with [redacted]

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-439190)

FROM: SAC, JACKSON (100-186) (P)

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Re Jackson airtel to Bureau 3/22/67.

Enclosed for the Bureau are ten copies of LHM with three copies to Atlanta and two to Memphis.

Two copies of the LHM are being forwarded to MIGp, Jackson, with one copy to each Secret Service and USA, Jackson.

The source mentioned in the LHM is [redacted] who telephonically contacted SA JAMES O. INGRAM on evening of 3/30/67 regarding this matter.

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REQUEST OF THE BUREAU:

In view of Bureau's present instructions regarding contact with established sources associated with colleges, the Bureau is requested to approve contact with source regarding CARMICHAEL's visit and speech at Tougaloo College, Tougaloo, Mississippi. Contact with [redacted] will be handled off campus in accordance with existing instructions and all security precautions will be taken regarding contacts with source. Background information regarding Tougaloo College is set forth in the LHM. ✓ 4

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The Bureau has previously instructed that offices should be alert for any impending visit of CARMICHAEL and afford discreet coverage concerning his activities, revolutionary statements, etc., through sources.

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ATLANTA DIVISION

At Atlanta, Georgia

Will furnish information to Jackson and Memphis if CARMICHAEL scheduled to appear at Vanderbilt University in Nashville 4/8/67, and Tougaloo College, Tougaloo, Mississippi, 4/11/67. It is noted source also stated Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING reportedly scheduled to be in Nashville on 4/8/67.

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MEMPHIS DIVISION

If not in receipt of above information, will consider contacting appropriate sources to determine if CARMICHAEL and KING scheduled to speak at Vanderbilt University 4/8, and alert local authorities.

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In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

Post Office Box 1450
Jackson, Mississippi

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March 31, 1967

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COMMUNIST INFILTRATION - STUDENT NON-VIOLENT COORDINATING COMMITTEE (SNCC); INTERNAL SECURITY - C

A source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, telephonically contacted a representative of the FBI on the evening of March 30, 1967, and advised that Stokely Carmichael, Chairman, Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee (SNCC), Atlanta, Georgia, will appear at Tougaloo College, Tougaloo, Mississippi, on Tuesday, April 11, 1967. Carmichael is scheduled to speak in the college auditorium, beginning at 7:45 p.m. and his speech is sponsored by the Tougaloo College Political Action Group. The source stated that Howard Spencer had announced on March 30, 1967 that Carmichael had accepted their invitation and would definitely appear on April 11, 1967.

The source stated that Howard Spencer, Negro male, senior student at Tougaloo College, from Vicksburg, Mississippi, has been extremely active in protest demonstrations protesting the war in Vietnam. He previously led on February 24, 1967 a group of sixty-four people, the majority Tougaloo professors and students, in a downtown march in Jackson protesting U. S. Secretary of Defense Robert S. McNamara's visit to Jackson, Mississippi, on February 24, 1967.

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COMMUNIST INFILTRATION - STUDENT
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Source stated Spencer had indicated he was going to attempt to get as many civil rights workers on the Tougaloo campus on April 11, 1967 as possible for a conference and to hear the speech of Carmichael.

Tougaloo College is located approximately four miles from Jackson and is a private Negro institution with approximately 600 students, with a present enrollment of several white students. Seventy-five percent of the professors and instructors are of the white race.

Source also advised that Spencer had announced that Carmichael would speak at Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tennessee, on April 8, 1967 and Dr. Martin Luther King, Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), would also be at Vanderbilt University on April 8, 1967.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-438794)

DATE: April 5, 1967

FROM: SAC, NEW HAVEN (100-18339) P.

SUBJECT: COMINFIL OF THE SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC)
INTERNAL SECURITY

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OO - ATLANTA

Re Bureau letter dated 3/13/67.

Enclosed for Boston, Newark and San Francisco are copies of New Haven letter to the Bureau and Atlanta dated Feb. 27, 1967.

RICHARD A. RUSSELL (AKA RICHARD A. ROSOFF) resides at 45 Kirkwood Road, West Hartford, Connecticut, and has been a benifactor of MARTIN LUTHER KING, Jr. He is known to have contributed $5,000 to KING and it was learned that he was willing to set up a business with STANLEY DAVID LEVISON, principal advisor to KING and a long-time secret Communist Party member.

The Bureau is interested in developing information as to RUSSELL's current activities, particularly concerning his association or business dealings with STANLEY LEVISON or other individuals with subversive backgrounds.

Any developments in this regard should be immediately brought to the attention of the Bureau in a form suitable for dissemination.

RUSSELL came to Connecticut in 1947 from Newark, New Jersey, and was reported to have been a salesman for the ITT Federal Laboratories, Clifton, New Jersey. He is reported to have used the names of RICHARD A. ROSOFF or RICHARD A. RUSKOWITZ when in New Jersey.

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RUSSELL was believed to have traveled to Europe for four months in 1965.

LEADS:

BOSTON DIVISION

At Boston, Massachusetts

Will determine available background on RUSSELL and his dealings at Pontiac Village.

Will determine if he is in contact with members of the Communist Party or is interested in groups opposing United States intervention in Vietnam as he is in Connecticut.

NEWARK DIVISION

At Newark, New Jersey

Will conduct investigation to determine background of RUSSELL, particularly to determine source of wealth, using the names of ROSOFF or RUSKOWITZ.

SAN FRANCISCO DIVISION

At San Francisco, California

Will furnish a characterization of [redacted] and advise if there is contemplation of [redacted]

WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE

At Washington, D.C.

Will review passport records at Department of State for background of RUSSELL who is reported to have taken a trip to Europe in 1965.

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NEW HAVEN DIVISION

At Hartford, Connecticut

Will continue to attempt to determine background and extent of RUSSELL's activities.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-438794)

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Re Atlanta airtel and LHM 3/29/67 captioned as above.

Enclosed for the Bureau is the original and seven copies, for Chicago one, for Louisville one, and for New York four, of LHM.

Source referred to is [redacted] b7D

Source used to characterize JUNIUS GRIFFIN is [redacted] Source used to characterize CAROL HOOVER is NY 5019-S*. Source used to characterize STANLEY LEVISON is NY 694-S* [redacted]

[redacted] Informant said the major items covered by the Board on 3/30/67 concerned the matter of Federal Housing, the peace issue, and a financial report presented by RALPH D. ABERNATHY, Vice President and Treasurer, SCLC. In addition to these items, he said for the most part business transacted on 3/30/67 consisted principally of reports by various departments of SCLC relating to respective activities.

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Informant advised the recent SCLC Board meeting appeared to have been rather poorly planned and this opinion was voiced among several SCLC staff members. In addition, the opinion of a number of SCLC staff members was to the effect they felt very definitely this particular Board meeting accomplished nothing constructive so far as SCLC was concerned. Informant said that KING's presentation to the Board regarding the Federal Housing matter and the peace movement were readily acted upon by the Board without any actual discussion and without opposition. He said in regard to KING's involvement in the Viet Nam issue one Board member, ROLAND SMITH, indicated a definite desire to discuss this matter but was immediately criticized by several Board members (unknown to informant) as being out of order and no discussion whatsoever ensued.

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Informant advised that ROLAND SMITH currently resides in Atlanta having originally come from Little Rock, Arkansas, and that he understands SMITH is an influential financial figure in the Atlanta Negro community.

Informant advised he did not observe CLARENCE JONES, STANLEY LEVISON, or HARRY WACHTEL at the SCLC Board meeting on 3/30/67, and so far as he was aware these individuals were not present 3/29/67.

NO ACTION SHOULD BE PREDICATED UPON INFORMATION FURNISHED BY [redacted] WHICH MIGHT COMPROMISE HIS SECURITY. INFORMATION FURNISHED BY [redacted] MUST BE CLASSIFIED CONFIDENTIAL. THE FOREGOING RESTRICTION AND CLASSIFICATION ARE JUSTIFIED [redacted]

The enclosed LHM has been classified ~~Secret~~ because it contains information furnished by NY 694-S* [redacted] It is felt this classification is necessary in order not to jeopardize the valuable position of the informant in furnishing information of this nature.

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Atlanta, Georgia
April 5, 1967

COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

On April 4, 1967, a confidential source advised a Board meeting of Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) was held March 29 - 30, 1967, in Louisville, Kentucky. Junius Griffin, former Director of Public Relations, SCLC, attended the Board meeting on March 30, 1967. Source was unable to advise whether Griffin had been invited to attend this meeting or in what capacity he attended. Carol Hoover, Special Fund-Raising Officer, SCLC, attended the entire meeting.

On March 30, 1967, Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr., President, SCLC, presented to the Board SCLC's proposal to become involved in Federal Housing Program Activities. This proposal received the approval of the Board.

Reverend King also presented for the Board's approval his current involvement in the Viet Nam issue and resulting peace movement. This also received the approval of the Board.

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JUNIUS GRIFFIN

Source, in June, 1964 made available a flyer distributed by the Militant Labor Forum, announcing a party scheduled for May 30, 1964, at 116 University Place, New York City, which was for the purpose of welcoming home the Socialist Workers Party (SWP) presidential candidate. Scheduled to participate in a symposium at this affair was one JUNIUS GRIFFIN, author of "New York Times Series on Harlem Hate Gangs." This symposium was described as relating to "What's Behind Harlem Hate Gang Scare?" & U

The SWP has been designated by the Attorney General pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

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CAROL HOOVER

A news item in "The Atlanta Daily World" (an Atlanta, Georgia daily Negro newspaper), dated May 21, 1965, titled "Albany 'Justice' Assailed" datelined Hapeville, Georgia, sets forth information regarding a semi-annual board meeting of the Southern Conference Education Fund (SCEF) held in Hapeville during the previous weekend. The article reports that Miss CAROL HOOVER, Atlanta, Georgia, an administrative assistant at the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) was one of four new members added to the board of SCEF at this meeting.

A characterization of the SCEF is attached hereto.

On August 22, 1964, CAROL HOOVER of SCLC, Atlanta, Georgia, told STANLEY LEVISON she was glad to have seen him at a party the previous Wednesday, according to a confidential source. ~~S~~

She also asked LEVISON for a financial contribution to the campaign fund of DONALD L. HOLLOWELL who was running for Judge of the Superior Court, Atlanta, Georgia. ~~S~~

LEVISON advised HOOVER that in response to her request he had contributed $50. ~~S~~

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STANLEY LEVISON

A confidential source advised in April, 1964, that STANLEY LEVISON was a secret member of the Communist Party (CP), USA, in July, 1963. In late 1963, and early 1964, he criticized the CP for not being sufficiently militant in the civil rights struggle. LEVISON was described by certain CP leaders as being to the "left" of the CP in his position in civil rights. LEVISON's differences with the CP, however, are merely tactical and he continues his ideological adherence to Communism.

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1 SOUTHERN CONFERENCE EDUCATIONAL FUND, INC.

"The Southern Patriot," a monthly publication, shows that it is published by the Southern Conference Educational Fund, Inc. (SCEF).

"The Southern Patriot" was cited as an "organ" of the Southern Conference for Human Welfare (SCHW) by the Committee on Un-American Activities, House Report 592, June 12, 1947.

The SCHW was cited as a communist front by the Committee on Un-American Activities, House Report 592, June 12, 1947.

An amendment to the charter of the SCHW dated April 26, 1946, changed the name of that organization to the SCEF, and listed its purpose as being to improve the educational and cultural standards of the Southern people in accordance with the highest American democratic institutions, traditions, and ideals.

The SCEF is self-described as having deep roots in the South where it began as the educational wing of the SCHW, organized in 1938 to work for economic and political reform. When the SCHW disbanded in the late 1940's, SCEF continued as an independent organization, rallying support for integration and democracy and helping to stimulate and nurture new movements of the early 1960's. The SCEF maintained headquarters in Louisiana for twenty years, but in 1966 moved its headquarters to Louisville, Kentucky.

A source advised on March 2, 1961, that CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT, a Communist Party functionary, stated at a meeting of the Communist Party in Baltimore, Maryland, on February 25, 1961, that the Communist Party is not connected with any progressive movement but indirectly they do have some influence in the SCEF.

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Atlanta, Georgia
April 5, 1967

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Reference Atlanta Letterhead Memorandum at Atlanta dated and captioned as above.

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TO DIRECTOR NEW YORK

NEW YORK VIA WASHINGTON

FROM CHICAGO 110201

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COMINFIL-SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE, IS-C. OO ATLANTA.

STUDENT MOBILIZATION COMMITTEE, IS-C. OO NEW YORK.

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RE CHICAGO TEL APRIL 7 LAST UNDER FIRST CAPTION AND [redacted] [redacted] EU

[redacted] VOLUNTARILY CONTACTED CHICAGO AND ADVISED AS FOLLOWS TODAY;

CHICAGO SCLC STAFF SPENT APRIL 7 LAST IN INDIVIDUAL CONFERENCES WITH MARTIN LUTHER KING AND ANDREW YOUNG BRIEFING THEM ON PROBLEMS OF LOCAL AREAS WHERE EACH RESPONSIBLE. MEETINGS HELD AT APARTMENT, CHAUNCY ESKRIDGE. NO DECISIONS ARRIVED AT OR POLICIES MADE FOR FORTHCOMING SUMMER'S ACTIVITIES. EU

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KING ADVISED THESE REPORTS TO BE UTILIZED IN MEETING TO BE HELD BY SCLC AT AMERICANA HOTEL, NYC, APRIL 13 NEXT WITH REPRESENTATIVES EXECUTIVE STAFFS OF CONGRESS OF RACIAL EQUALITY (CORE) AND STUDENT NON-VIOLENT COORDINATING COMMITTEE (SNCC). ONE OF PURPOSES OF MEETING WILL BE SCLC EFFORT TO ENLIST SUPPORT AND FACILITIES THESE GROUPS FOR SCLC DIRECTED CHICAGO FREEDOM MOVEMENT. JOHN LEWIS OF SNCC AND FLOYD MC KISSICK, CORE, TO BE AMONG THOSE PRESENT. C 4

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[redacted] ADVISES MOST OF REMAINDER LOCAL SCLC STAFF TO DEPART CHICAGO FOR NYC ON WEDNESDAY, APRIL 12 NEXT. [redacted]

[redacted] COTTEN LEAVING ATLANTA FOR NY THIS DATE. C 4

SCLC LOCALLY DEVOTING ALL EFFORTS TO MOBILIZATION SUPPORT FOR APRIL 15 NEXT DEMONSTRATIONS IN NY. HAS RENTED GREYHOUND BUS TO DEPART HEADQUARTERS, WEST SIDE ORGANIZATION, CHICAGO, APRIL 14 NEXT, FOR NYC. SCLC TO PAY ALL COSTS. C 4

CHICAGO FOLLOWING. LHM FOLLOWS. AMSD COPY TO ATLANTA.

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1 - Mr. W. C. Sullivan
1 - Mr. C. D. Brennan

Mr. W. C. Sullivan

April 10, 1967

1 - Mr. D. M. Wells

C. D. Brennan

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
SECURITY MATTER - C

Attached for your approval for dissemination is a letter to the White House containing a copy of the speech delivered by Martin Luther King, Jr., President, Southern Christian Leadership Conference, on April 4, 1967, at the Riverside Church, New York, New York.

The President has expressed an interest in obtaining a copy of this speech.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the enclosures be forwarded to Mrs. Mildred Stegall, the White House.

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Re New York teletype, dated 4/7/67.

Enclosed are 11 copies of an LHM reporting information from NY 3810-S*, a source close to STANLEY LEVISON. Two copies are enclosed for Atlanta and Chicago.

NY 694-S* was the source used to characterize STANLEY LEVISON.

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Sources used to characterize HARRY MACHTEL were anonymous source of WFO set out in report of SA [redacted] 7/19/50, at WFO re "NLS; IS-C" and NY 1190-S*. (U)

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This LHM is characterized "~~Secret~~" because it contains information from NY 3810-S*, a source closed to STANLEY LEVISON, who furnishes information of a highly sensitive nature about racial matters in the US and the Communist influence thereof; and because the characterization of STANLEY LEVISON contains a concentration of information from NY 694-S*.

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On April 6, 1967, a confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that Stanley Levison and Harry Wachtel, New York advisors to Martin Luther King, Jr., were in conference concerning King's speech at Riverside Church, New York City, on April 4, 1967.

Wachtel thought the text of King's speech was solid and wants it printed for distribution. Levison felt the speech was too advanced for many Negroes and that it did not constitute the widest appeal. King, Levison feels, should not have spoken from the point of view of a Vietcong peasant.

It was Levison's belief that Andrew Young, Executive Director of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), wrote King's speech, but Wachtel believes that "guy at Spellman" (Spelman College, Atlanta) wrote it. Wachtel felt the section of the speech about this country acting like Germany acted in the last war offended many people. Levison agreed, and commented King should realize he is dealing with the State Department and the Pentagon and not some stupid sheriff, and that if he did get people to stand on bridges in Vietnam, they would not be bombed, but instead there would be an invasion of North Vietnam, which King would be responsible for.

With regard to King's scheduled appearance before the Spring Mobilization Committee to End the War in Vietnam on April 15, 1967, Levison is unenthusiastic, since he does not feel that King can capture that audience.

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According to Levison, Bennett (Dr. John Bennett, President of Union Theological Seminary, New York City) and Dr. Reinhold Niebuhr (Professor Emeritus, Union Theological Seminary) have talked about getting ten thousand young men and their parents to go to Washington to turn in their draft cards. Levison felt they would violate the law if they do this.

Finally, Wachtel mentioned that King will meet with Rockefeller (Governor Nelson Rockefeller, New York) on April 22 or 24, 1967, to discuss the Vietnam position of King.

Levison and Joan Daves (Publishers' Representative) were also in contact on April 6, 1967, during which Levison revealed that King will change his emphasis from peace to the Chicago Action Campaign after the middle of April. Levison also disclosed that a meeting dealing with tactics will be held in Atlanta in the near future.

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Re NY teletype dated 4/5/67, concerning conversation between STANLEY LEVISON and ALICE LOEWI. (S) U

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NY 694-S was the source mentioned in the characterization of STANLEY DAVID LEVISON. This same source also furnished the characterization of ALICE LOEWI. (S)

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On April 6, 1967, a confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that he had learned that Stanley Levison and Alice Loewi, a friend and former business associate, were in conference on that date. It was during that conference that they discussed Martin Luther King's speech of the previous night at the Riverside Church, New York City, when he urged everyone in the country to become conscientious objectors to military service. Loewi thought King's remarks were terrific and thought Levison had written his speech. Levison, in denying that he had, was certain that Andrew Young (the Executive Director of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC)) had written it for King. Levison acknowledged, however, that he had spent the entire day of April 4, 1967, with King, but did not attend the affair at the church.

In reply to a question from Loewi as to how King's spirits were, Levison said he was fine now that his conscience is clear. Levison, the source advised, is not in complete agreement with King on the tactics he has been using, and feels that King tends to be "too far out". In elaborating, Levison was of the opinion that one (King) could not ask everyone to be a conscientious objector because people do not want to go to jail. Instead of people resorting to such tactics, it was Levison's opinion that they would be more effective fighting the war in a political way.

Another example of poor tactics by King, according to Levison, is a plan advocated by King to get a thousand people in America to go to Hanoi and stand on the bridges,

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thereby resulting in a cessation of the bombing. If King decides to do such a thing, Levison opined that it might really work since Americans would not bomb "Doctor King".

The contact between Levison and Loewi ended with Levison relating that King will continue to get public attention until April 15, 1967, when he addresses the affair sponsored by the Spring Mobilization Committee Against the War in Vietnam. This demonstration will be held at the United Nations.

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On June 18, 1956, the same confidential source advised that as of that time, Alice Loewi was a member of the Communist Party.

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Re New York airtel and LHM dated 3/29/67, concerning KING's plans relative to a meeting in NYC on 4/4/67, and an appearance at Riverside Church the same date.

Enclosed are 11 copies of an LHM reporting information from NY 3810-S*, a source close to STANLEY LEVISON, and information derived from personal observation of Agents of the FBI. Two copies are enclosed for Atlanta and one copy is enclosed for the information of the Chicago Office.

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[redacted] was the second source mentioned in the LHM. SA [redacted] was the Agent who overheard the Negro male make inquiry at the Americana Hotel, NYC, 4/4/67. b6 b7C b7D

The Agents who observed the other activity were SAS [redacted] and [redacted] b6 b7C

NY 694-S* was the source who furnished the information used to characterize STANLEY LEVISON.

Sources used to characterize HARRY JACKTEL were anonymous source of WFO set out in report of SA [redacted] 7/19/50, at WFO re "NLS; IS-C" and NY 1190-S*

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On March 27, 1967, a confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that Martin Luther King and Stanley Levison, while in conference on that date, decided to hold a meeting in New York City on April 4, 1967, to discuss fund raising for the SCLC. This decision was made in view of King's anti-Vietnam war statements. It was felt by King and Levison that they might not be able to get funds for the SCLC and for King in view of his statements and therefore, felt it necessary to consider other avenues through which funds could be raised.

Among individuals expected to attend were Harry Wachtel, Levison, King, Jessie Jackson and Chauncey Eskridge (Chicago attorney and advisor to King and the SCLC).

It was also revealed that on the same date, King would address a meeting at the Riverside Church, New York City, the purpose being to state his views with regard to statements he had made on Vietnam. It was felt that an explanation would counter any attacks made against him for having agreed to participate in the march of April 15, 1967, sponsored by the Spring Mobilization Committee to End the War in Vietnam.

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On March 31, 1967, the same confidential source furnished information that Stanley Levison and Dora McDonald (personal secretary to Martin Luther King) conferred on that date about the fund raising meeting scheduled for April 4, 1967, in New York City. McDonald related that it would be held in King's hotel suite at the Americana Hotel, commencing at 10:00 a.m. and ending at 5:00 p.m. Levison and McDonald agreed that Adele Kantor (special fund raiser and head of SCLC's New York office) and Al Duckett should be in attendance.

On April 4, 1967, a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) overheard a Negro male ask the inquiry desk at the Americana Hotel, New York City, the room number for the Reverend Andrew Young (the Executive Director of the SCLC). Subsequently, after being told that he was in suite 1501-1502, the Negro male took the elevator which serviced the 15th floor.

Special Agents of the FBI also observed the following activities at the hotel on April 4, 1967:

Martin Luther King, Harry Wachtel and an unknown Negro male walked into the lobby at 10:55 a.m. and took the elevator that serviced the 15th floor; at 11:05 a.m., Andrew Young entered the hotel and took the same elevator; and at 11:12 a.m., Stanley Levison came into the hotel and took the same elevator.

On April 5, 1967, "The New York Times", on page 1, carried an article captioned "Dr. King Proposes A Boycott of War". The article reported that King had a news conference in New York City on April 4, 1967, during which time he called on Negroes and "all white people of good will" to boycott the Vietnam war by becoming conscientious objectors to military service.

Later, the article noted, King addressed an overflow crowd of more than 3,000 persons at Riverside Church, during which he described the American Government as the "greatest purveyor of violence in the world today"

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King also laid out a five-point program designed to "begin the long and difficult process of extricating ourselves from this nighmarish conflict"

In his address, sponsored by the Clergy and Laymen Concerned About Vietnam, King likened the use of new American weapons on the peasants of Vietnam to the Germans' testing of "new medicine and new tortures in the concentration camps of Europe".

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"The recognition that the National Liberation Front has substantial support in South Vietnam and must therefore play a role in any meaningful negotiations and in any future Vietnam Government.

"The establishment of a date on which the United States will remove all foreign troops from Vietnam in accordance with the Geneva Agreement of 1954."

In tracing the course of American involvement in Vietnam, the article quotes King as saying that the United States was on the wrong side of a world revolution and urged that United States leaders admit "that we have been wrong from the beginning of our adventure in Vietnam".

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A confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on April 5, 1967, that Martin Luther King's presence at the Riverside Church on April 4, 1967, was protested by about 35 pickets, some of whom were black nationalists. Others, he said, belonged to a group known as the National Economic Growth and Reconstruction Organization (NEGRO).

The leader of the organization known as NEGRO is Dr. Herbert I. Mathew, Director of the Interfaith Hospital in Queens. He maintained that King was not speaking for all Negroes and that the patriotism of Negroes should not be questioned.

In describing the Clergy and Laymen Concerned About Vietnam, the article in "The New York Times" said it was formed in 1966 and that it has about 5,000 to 6,000 members throughout the country. The bi-racial interfaith group has urged the United States Government to cease bombing North Vietnam and to reduce the fighting in South Vietnam to create a climate for peace talks to end the Vietnam war as quickly as possible.

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April 7, 1967

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

The following information has been supplied by confidential sources of this Bureau who have furnished reliable information in the past. (U)

Martin Luther King, Jr., President, and Andrew Young, Executive Director, Southern Christian Leadership Conference, spent approximately eight hours in conference with King's top advisors in New York City on April 4, 1967. Two of the advisers present were Stanley Levison, a long-time communist whose secret membership in the Communist Party, USA, has been established as of July, 1963, and Harry Wachtel, a former member of the National Lawyers Guild, an organization which has been designated as a communist front by the Committee on Un-American Activities, United States House of Representatives. (S) (U)

Later on the same day, King spoke at the Riverside Church, New York, New York, at which time he was highly critical of the United States involvement in the Vietnam War. He proposed a five-step process to extricate the United States from this conflict. Comments in the news media coverage of King's remarks pointed out that the five points are similar in concept to the conditions imposed by Hanoi as a prerequisite to negotiations. It is also noted that King's proposals parallel the propaganda line which the Communist Party, USA, has been projecting regarding the war in Vietnam. (U)

On April 5, 1967, a source advised that Levison was in contact with an associate who has contributed funds to the Communist Party in the past. This individual thought King's speech was terrific and stated Levison must have written it. Levison denied this stating that Andrew Young had written it. (U)

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MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

NOTE:

See C.D. Brennan to W.C. Sullivan memorandum dated 4/6/67, same caption, prepared by DMW:deh.

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Mr. Sullivan

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April 6, 1967

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Attached for your approval for dissemination are copies of a letterhead memorandum containing the following:

On April 4, 1967, Martin Luther King, Jr., President, and Andrew Young, Executive Director, Southern Christian Leadership Conference, spent eight hours in conference with King's top advisers in New York. Persons present included Stanley Levison, a long-time secret Communist Party member, and Harry Wachtel, a former member of the National Lawyers Guild, a cited Communist Party front. Later the same day, King gave a speech in New York attacking United States Vietnam policy. His proposed five steps for ending the Vietnam War according to news sources are similar to Hanoi's demands. They also parallel the Communist Party line.

RECOMMENDATION:

That copies of the enclosures be forwarded by routing slips to Mrs. Mildred Stegall, The White House; Honorable Dean Rusk, The Secretary of State; Honorable Robert S. McNamara, The Secretary of Defense; The Attorney General; and Assistant Attorneys General Yeagley and Doar.

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FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-149194)

SUBJECT: COMINFIL SCLC
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(OO: ATLANTA)

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Re NY teletype dated 4/11/67, concerning conference between MARTIN LUTHER KING, STANLEY LEVISON and other advisors of KING.

Enclosed are 10 copies of a LHM reporting information contained in re communication. NY 3810-S* was the source of the information in the LHM.

NY 694-S* was the source who furnished the information used in the characterization of STANLEY LEVISON.

Sources used to characterize HARRY WACHTEL were ... anonymous source of WFO set out in report of SA [redacted] 7/19/50, at WFO re "NLS; IS-C" and NY 1190-S*.

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New York, New York

In Reply, Please Refer to
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April 12, 1967

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DATE:

Communist Infiltration of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC)
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On April 11, 1967, a confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that he had learned that Martin Luther King, the President of the SCLC, met with several of his advisors on that date, namely, Stanley Levison, Harry Wachtel, Andrew Young, Executive Assistant to King, and Tom Offenberger, the SCLC Public Relations man. Their conference concerned an attack made against King by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) arising from a speech by King on April 4, 1967. It was during the speech that King urged Negroes to become conscientious objectors to the war in Vietnam.

Levison, Wachtel and Offenberger agreed to compose separate statements and give them to Dora McDonald, King's personal secretary. Upon receiving their statements, King and Young agreed to assemble a statement from the three and then deliver the statement on April 12, 1967, during a press conference in Los Angeles, California.

The statements to be made by King would not only answer the allegations made by the NAACP, but a critical statement by Senator Jacob Javits as well. According to the source, the remarks made by the NAACP and Senator Javits were that King and the SCLC were trying to fuse the civil rights movement and the peace movement.

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Harry Wachtel is the Executive Vice President of the Gandhi Society for Human Rights, New York, New York. w

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A characterization of the National Lawyers Guild is attached hereto. w

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Regarding Harry Wachtel's wife, Leonora, it is noted that the same confidential source furnished information on March 5, 1944, which revealed that her name and address were on a list of names of newly elected officers of the Bath Beach Club of the Kings County CP. (U)

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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:

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April 12, 1967

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MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

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Stanley Levison is a long-time communist whose secret membership in the Communist Party, USA, has been established as of July, 1963. Harry Wachtel is a former member of the National Lawyers Guild, an organization which has been designated as a communist front by the Committee on Un-American Activities, United States House of Representatives.

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Martin Luther King, Jr.

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See C. D. Brennan to Mr. W. C. Sullivan memorandum dated 4/12/67, same caption, prepared by DMW:dsm.

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MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
SECURITY MATTER - C

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RECOMMENDATION:

That attached be forwarded by routing slips to Mrs. Mildred Stegall, The White House, Honorable Dean Rusk, Secretary of State, Honorable Robert McNamara, Secretary of Defense, the Attorney General and Assistant Attorneys General Yeagley and Doar

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1 - Mr. C. D. Brennan
1 - Mr. D. M. Wells

Mrs. Mildred Stegall
The White House
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mrs. Stegall:

The President has expressed an interest in the speech delivered by Martin Luther King, Jr., President, Southern Christian Leadership Conference, on April 4, 1967, at the Riverside Church, New York, New York.

Enclosed is one copy of this speech that was distributed at the church prior to King's speaking.

Sincerely yours,

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NOTE:

See memorandum C. D. Brennan to Mr. W. C. Sullivan, April 10, 1967, captioned "Martin Luther King, Jr., Security Matter - C," prepared by DMW:cst.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-106670)
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FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-136585)
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SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
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COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF THE
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Enclosed are 11 copies of an LHM reporting information from NY 3810-S*, a source close to STANLEY LEVISON. Two copies are enclosed for the Atlanta Office.

NY 694-S* was the source who furnished the information used to characterize STANLEY LEVISON.

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Martin Luther King, Jr.
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Communist Infiltration of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC)
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On April 8, 1967, a confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that Harry Wachtel and Stanley Levison, New York advisors to Martin Luther King, Jr., were in conference concerning King's position on Vietnam. Levison felt that a question and answer pamphlet taken from King's speeches is needed in order to clarify King's position and to give a cohesive logical exposition of this position.

This source advised on April 8, 1967, that Levison and King were in contact on that date. Levison indicated that King's speech of April 4, 1967 was not good in that it attempted to cover too much ground, was not well thought out, was unbalanced and that it would not appeal to the average person. King answered that although he did not write the speech, he concurred with it and did not believe that he would change it, even now that he had been criticized for it by the "New York Times" and "Washington Post". King feels that he had a duty to make the speech in order to fulfill his role as a "morally wise man".

Levison suggested a full page advertisement in the "New York Times", Sunday edition, in order to clarify King's position and to answer King's enemies and critics. King felt that this was an excellent idea.

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Martin Luther King, Jr.;
Communist Infiltration of the
Southern Christian Leadership
Conference (SCLC)

On April 9, 1967, this source advised that Harry Wachtel and Stanley Levison were in contact concerning Martin Luther King's speech to be delivered April 15, 1967, in New York City. This speech will combine both King's speech in Los Angeles and his speech of April 4, 1967, at New York City and will be written by Wachtel and Levison on Monday, April 10, 1967.

This source advised that Wachtel, Levison and King were in conference on April 9, 1967, concerning King's position on the Vietnam situation. All agreed to the issuance of a question and answer pamphlet entitled "Dr. King Speaks on the War in Vietnam" or something similar. In addition, a full page advertisement will be run in the "New York Times". These will make the points that King does not consider this a racist war and that civil rights gains can be made while the war is going on.

Wachtel asked King if he would like to be chairman or co-chairman of a group called "Clergy and Laymen Concerned about Vietnam". King stated he would be delighted even though he may not be able to donate full time to the organization. Wachtel and Levison also urged King to contemplate seeking an audience with the Pope. Toward this end, Levison urged King to begin corresponding with the Pope. King inquired as to whether it would be advisable for him to introduce Cassius Clay at the rally on April 15, 1967. Levison stated that this would not be a good idea and counseled against it.

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MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
SCLC

The following information was recently supplied by confidential sources of this Bureau who have furnished reliable information in the past.

Stanley Levison, a top adviser to Martin Luther King, Jr., President, Southern Christian Leadership Conference, was in conference with an associate recently. Levison commented that he had conferred with Rockefeller concerning some Venezuelan iron ore deposits earlier. At that time Rockefeller asked Levison to arrange a meeting for him with Martin Luther King, Jr., so he could discuss King's position on the Vietnam War. Rockefeller advised that he was in complete disagreement with King in this regard.

Levison informed his associate that this was an excellent opportunity for King to give Rockefeller King's views on Latin America. According to Levison, King feels South America has the potential of being the next Vietnam and wants to advise Rockefeller of the appropriate steps to be taken to avoid this.

The source advised he believed the Rockefeller referred to by Levison was Nelson Rockefeller, Governor, New York.

Another source advised in April, 1964, that Stanley Levison was a secret member of the Communist Party, USA, in July, 1963. In late 1963 and early 1964, he criticized the Communist Party for not being sufficiently militant in the civil rights struggle. Levison was described by certain Communist Party leaders as being to the "left" of the Communist Party in his position on civil rights. His differences with the Communist Party, however, are purely tactical and in continuing his ideological adherence to communism.

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MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

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NOTE:

Classified "~~Secret~~" inasmuch as the source for the above information is a highly sensitive source relating to the racial situation.

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1 - Mr. DeLoach
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1 - Mr. C.D. Brennan
1 - Mr. D.M. Wells

C. D. Brennan

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
SECURITY MATTER - C

Attached for your approval for dissemination are copies of a letterhead memorandum containing the following:

NY 3810-S* advised that Stanley Levison, top advisor to Martin Luther King, Jr., President, Southern Christian Leadership Conference, was in contact with an associate recently. Levison commented that he was in contact recently with Rockefeller concerning some iron ore deposits in Venezuela. At that time Rockefeller evidenced displeasure with King's stand on Vietnam. Rockefeller requested Levison to arrange a meeting between King and Rockefeller to discuss this matter. U

Levison was pleased at this development because this would give King an opportunity to discuss South America with Rockefeller. King feels that South America is the next Vietnam and he would like to advise Rockefeller of what steps to take to thwart this. It is believed that the Rockefeller referred to by Levison is Nelson Rockefeller, Governor of New York. U

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RECOMMENDATION:

That the copies of the enclosures be forwarded by routing slips to Mrs. Mildred Stegall, the White House; the Honorable Dean Rusk, Secretary of State; the Honorable Richard Helms, the Central Intelligence Agency; the Attorney General; and Assistant Attorneys General Yeagley and Doar. 12-10-79

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-438794) DATE: April 11, 1967

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (105-16238)

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REASON FOR EXTENSION FCIM, II, 1-2.4.2
DATE OF REVIEW FOR DECLASSIFICATION 4-11-87
7-28-80

SUBJECT: COMINFIL - SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC)
IS - C

(OO: ATLANTA)

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Re Atlanta airtel, 3/15/67, to Director, Chicago, New York and WFO, with letterhead memorandum (LHM); and Chicago airtel, 12/23/66, above caption, with LHM.

Referenced Chicago LHM reflected, in part, information concerning the mechanics of the local operation of the SCLC slum rehabilitation project, utilizing the $4,000,000 federal grant. The rehabilitation program, predominantly in the Lawndale, East Garfield Park and Kenwood-Oakland neighborhoods, would in part be under the direction of JESS GILL, described as a Chicagoan and former small loan specialist for the Federal Housing Administration (FHA). Chicago airtel of December 23, 1966, reflected there was no pertinent identifiable information in Chicago indices regarding GILL.

Information set forth below regarding GILL was obtained from the Cook County Credit Bureau, Chicago, April 5, 1967, at the request of IC [redacted]

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He resides at 6720 South Paxton Avenue, Chicago, Ill. Social Security Number 343-26-3605. He shows numerous previous residences, all in Chicago, namely 618 East 73rd Street; 1510 West 114th Place; 4350 South Calumet; and 7406 South Stewart. He is married, wife's name VIVIAN.

Credit Bureau records show that in 1954 he was employed at Roosevelt University, Chicago, as a library clerk. An inquiry in February, 1958, reflected that as of July, 1957 he was employed

2 - Bureau (RM)
3 - Atlanta (RM)
3 - St. Louis (RM)
2 - 157- (JESS GILL)
2 - Chicago
1 - 157-1825 (JESS GILL)

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by the U. S. Treasury Department as a collection agent. He appears to have been with Internal Revenue as late as January, 1961, however, one of the most recent inquiries in February, 1967, reflects he is now with the Community Renewal Foundation showing a previous employment with FHA. It would also appear he is associated in some capacity with a Party Food and Liquor Company since Credit Bureau Records show him as a defendant doing business as Party Food and Liquor, 6720 South Paxton, in judgement proceedings in late 1966.

The current Chicago telephone directory shows 19 South LaSalle Street as address for the Community Renewal Foundation, Inc. No date or place of birth is shown in these records for GILL.

On April 6, 1967, [redacted] established b6 source, FHA, Chicago, was contacted on another matter and b7C during this contact was indirectly questioned as to GILL's current status and successor at FHA. She advised GILL had quit FHA some months prior to this time "to work for MARTIN LUTHER KING." While with FHA he had been a Title I Claim Collector.

St. Louis, at the Federal Records Center, is requested to locate and review pertinent records regarding GILL, providing the Bureau, Atlanta and Chicago with all available background data therein.

Reference is made at this point to Atlanta airtel of March 22, 1967, above caption, page three, wherein it is reflected a JAMES LAWSON (believed to be in Chicago) was to be in charge of the Department of Non-Violent Education. Chicago Office memorandum of February 28, 1967, under above caption, contains information reflecting that [redacted] b7D advised in February, 1967, that a JAMES LAWS[redacted] from Nashville, Tennessee, was to assist JAMES BEVEL, then in New York, in holding non-violent type workshops. This was in connection with the anti-Viet Nam war activities of BEVEL; copies of this memorandum disseminated for New York and Memphis. There is no information available reflecting LAWSON to be a part of the Chicago SCLC staff.

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In Chicago letter of February 8, 1967, information was set forth pertaining to [redacted] resident [redacted] Illinois. Subsequently, credit and criminal inquiry regarding her through the Woodstock, Illinois Credit Bureau and the McHenry County Sheriff's Office, both of which cover [redacted] Illinois, produced no identifiable information. Unless requested by Atlanta, Chicago will conduct no further inquiry regarding [redacted]

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Date 5-4-67

To:
☒ Director

FI [redacted] Bu 100-438794
NY 100-149194

Att.:

Title AT 100-5718
CG 105-16238

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☐ Agent 15-C
☐ SE
☐ IC
☐ CC RE: 0-17 5-2-67
☐ Steno Report of SA [redacted] b6
4/14/67 at New York b7C
☐ Clerk ☐ Rotor #:

ACTION DESIRED

☐ Acknowledge
☐ Assign
☐ Bring file
☐ Call me
☐ Correct
☐ Deadline
☐ Deadline passed
☐ Delinquent
☐ Discontinue
☐ Expedite
☐ File
☐ For information
☐ Handle
☐ Initial & return
☐ Leads need attention
☐ Open Case
☐ Prepare lead cards
☐ Prepare tickler
☐ Recharge serials
☐ Return assignment card
☐ Return file
☐ Return serials
☐ Search and return
☐ See me
☐ Send Serials
to
☐ Submit new charge out
☐ Submit report by
☐ Type

☐ Return with explanation or notation as to action taken.

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all information on page 22 of referenced report was reported by [redacted] (NY T-10 on Nov. 3 1966. This source is indicated at the conclusion of paragraph 1 page 23 since this paragraph is (4)

SAC ADIC JOHN F MALONE

☐ See reverse side Office NEW YORK

(Rev. 4-26-65)

OFFICIAL NOTIFICATION OF ERROR

Date 8/2/67

To: SAC, NEW YORK (100-149194)

From: Director, FBI (100-438704)

Subject: COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE
IS - C

Reference: ☐ Cover pages of SA ☒ Report of SA _____ ☐ Letterhead

dated 4/14/67 at NEW YORK

☐ Letter ☐ Teletype ☐ Airtel ☐ Radiogram ☐ Cablegram

dated _____ from _____ to _____

Your mail dispatch of _____, registry number _____

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☒ **Nonsubstantive Error** - notify appropriate personnel; make notation in error folder; and consider in next performance ratings. Consider employees' work records as to any needed action.

☐ **Substantive Error** - return original of form to Bureau promptly with explanations and recommendations.

Take appropriate action in connection with error in subject matter checked below

☐ 1. Administrative Data
- ☐ a. Failed to submit letterhead memo re subject who is Government employee
- ☐ b. Omission of "Property of FBI" statement on letterhead memo
- ☐ c. Reason for protecting source not given
- ☐ d. Pretext not described
- ☐ e. Documentation re FISUR Agents omitted
- ☐ f. Failure to meet 5-day reporting rule after arrest

☐ 2. Delayed
- ☐ a. Investigation
- ☐ b. Dictation
- ☐ c. Transcription
- ☐ d. Reporting

☐ 3. O.O. incorrect (O.O. is _____)

☐ 4. Reporting office

☐ 5. Date of communication

☐ 6. Investigative period

☐ 7. Title
- ☐ a. Incomplete ☐ d. Incorrectly ☐ e. Fugitive
- ☐ b. Misspelled ☐ 1. Changed ☐ 1. Omitted
- ☐ c. Omitted ☐ 2. Carried ☐ 2. Incorrectly carried
  - ☐ 1. I.O. No.
  - ☐ 2. Wanted Flyer No.
  - ☐ 3. Check Circular No.

☐ 8. Character
- ☐ a. Incomplete ☐ b. Incorrect ☐ c. Omitted

☐ 9. Synopsis
- ☐ a. Incomplete or inadequate
- ☐ b. Facts not in detail or vice versa
- ☐ c. Fails to show
  - ☐ 1. Owner notified
  - ☐ 2. Employed key facility
  - ☐ 3. Has access classified data at key facility
- ☐ d. Recovery value not set out
- ☐ e. "Caution" statement
  - ☐ 1. Omitted
  - ☐ 2. Failure to delete

☐ 10. Status
- ☐ a. Incorrect ☐ b. Omitted

☐ 11. Not approved by SAC (original returned for approval and forwarding)

☐ 12. Copies
- ☐ a. Not legible
- ☐ b. Not furnished
  - ☐ 1. Auxiliary office
  - ☐ 2. U. S. Attorney
  - ☐ 3. _____
- ☐ c. Incorrect no. of copies to
  - ☐ 1. Bureau
  - ☐ 2. _____
- ☐ d. Reason for information copy

☐ 13. Bufile Number should be _____
- ☐ a. Incorrectly reported
- ☐ b. Files consolidated at Bureau

☐ 14. Details
- ☐ a. No description
- ☐ b. Stops not removed
- ☐ c. Subject in custody, complaint and warrant issued but immediate hearing before USC not reported
- ☐ d. Delay in receiving information from P.D. indicates lack of police liaison
- ☐ e. Incomplete reporting
- ☐ f. Administrative data in details
- ☐ g. Incorrect code section cited
- ☐ h. Failed to
  - ☐ 1. Take sworn statement
  - ☐ 2. Show employed key facility
  - ☐ 3. Show date information received
  - ☐ 4. Show name of Agent conducting interview
  - ☐ 5. Show has access classified data at key facility
- ☐ i. Characterization omitted
- ☐ j. "Place" omitted in jurat of sworn statement
- ☐ k. Form _____
  - ☐ 1. Incomplete
  - ☐ 2. Incorrect
- ☐ l. No indication U. S. Marshal notified

☐ 15. Enclosures
- ☐ a. Not received
- ☐ b. Not described
- ☐ c. Not submitted
  - ☐ 1. Disposition Sheet
  - ☐ 2. Probation Flash

☐ 16. Security Classification
- ☐ a. Incorrect ☐ c. Classification omitted ☐ d. Reason not shown
- ☐ b. Declassify ☐ Protective ☐ Group

☐ 17. Leads
- ☐ a. Not set out ☐ b. Too vague

☐ 18. Informants
- ☐ a. FBI No. not given ☐ e. Date of FBI Identification Division record check not listed
- ☐ b. 30-day contact missed
- ☐ c. Incorrect T symbol ☐ f. Failed to submit evaluation memo
- ☐ d. Not identified

☐ 19. Reference
- ☐ a. Incorrect ☐ b. Omitted

☐ 20. Abstract

☐ 21. Form FD-122

☐ 22. Misspelling, page _____

☐ 23. Typographical error

☐ 24. Incorrect use of
- ☐ a. Airtel
- ☐ b. Teletype

☐ 25. Resubmit promptly in form suitable for dissemination

☐ 26. Parole Report
- ☐ a. Not submitted
- ☐ b. Violation block incorrect

☐ 27. Incorrect date(s)

☐ 28. Miscellaneous

☐ 29. Bureau mailing instructions, Manual of Rules and Regulations, Part II, Section 3, B, 2, Item e. _____ not followed.

☐ 30. Submit appropriate amended pages.

Remarks:

On FD-263 the office of origin should be Atlanta and not New York.

Page 23, who is source of information of the first three paragraphs?

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1 - Chicago (105-16238); Atlanta (100-5718)

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REPORTING OFFICE	OFFICE OF ORIGIN	DATE	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD
NEW YORK	~~NEW YORK~~ Atlanta	4/14/67	10/17/66 - 4/3/67

TITLE OF CASE

COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

REPORT MADE BY [redacted] TYPED BY blb

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REFERENCE Report of SA [redacted] dated 10/24/66 at New York.

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Remarks: See attached O-17

ADMINISTRATIVE

The SAs observing JACK O'DELL and CLARENCE [redacted] 10/15/66, were [redacted] and [redacted]

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DATE: 6-11-85 1678 RFP/lcl

The SA who visited the SCLC office on 3/31/67 [redacted] utilizing the pretext of seeking [redacted]

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re: #3 O'Dell
for review at FBIHQ by HSCA re 1-2678 request.
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Case has been: Pending Yes No; Pending (See Bufile ... six months Yes No

APPROVED [redacted] Special Agent in Charge

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Copies of this report have been disseminated to interested local intelligence agencies.

A copy of this report has been designated for the Chicago Office due to current SCLC activity in that area.

This report is being classified "~~Secret~~" in view of the highly sensitive position in the Civil Rights field and the Communist infiltration thereof of informants such as NY T-3, NY T-10 and NY T-11, and in view of the position of NY T-1. In order not to jeopardize these informants, the "~~Secret~~" classification is being used. In the event information from these informants contained in this report is excised, this report should be classified "~~Confidential~~" because it contains information from informants such as NY T-2 and NY T-9, who are of continuing value, and the unauthorized disclosure of the information contained in this report might reveal their identity and, therefore, affect the national defense interests.

INFORMANTS

Identity of Source	File # Where Located
NY T-1 NY 694-S*	
NY T-2	100-149194-2329
NY T-3 NY 3810-S*	

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INFORMANTS (Continued)

Identity of Source	File # Where Located
NY T-4 [redacted] (By request)	

Used to characterize CLARENCE JONES

NY T-5
Anonymous source of WFO in report of SA [redacted] dated 7/19/50, re "NLG; IS - C"

Used to characterize HARRY WACHTEL

NY T-6
NY 1190-S*

NY T-7
NY 2359-S*

Used to characterize BAYARD RUSTIN

NY T-8
NY 4212-S*

NY T-9 [redacted]

Used to characterize BENJAMIN J. DAVIS and LAWRENCE REDDICK

NY T-10
NY 5496-S*

INFORMANTS (Continued)

Identity of Source	File # Where Located
NY T-11 NY 5182-S*	
NY T-12 LOUIS F. LUDENZ (By request)	

Used to characterize LAWRENCE REDDICK

NY T-13

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(By request)

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Used to characterize RALPH HELSTEIN

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Report of: [redacted] Office: New York, New York

Date: 4/14/67

Field Office File #: 100-149194 Bureau File #: 100-438794

Title: COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

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CLASSIFIED DECISIONS FINALIZED BY DEPARTMENT REVIEW COMMITTEE (DRC)
DATE: 6-11-85 1678 REP

Character: INTERNAL SECURITY - C

Synopsis: New York City Office of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) is at 200 West 57th Street, New York, New York. MARTIN LUTHER KING, Jr., President of the SCLC, consults with STANLEY LEVISON, CLARENCE JONES, HARRY WACHTEL and BAYARD RUSTIN.

APPROPRIATE AGENCIES AND FIELD OFFICES ADVISED BY ROUTING SLIP (S) BY Amended 11-28-84 DATE 9-16-85 - P* -

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DETAILS: This investigation is predicated upon information received that members of the Communist Party (CP) have infiltrated the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC). This investigation is directed solely toward establishing the extent and result of this infiltration. The Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) is not investigating the legitimate activities of the SCLC.

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APPROPRIATE AGENCIES AND FIELD OFFICES ADVISED BY ROUTING SLIP(S) OF Global Legislation SAT MRD/TDP DATE 11/14/77 [illegible]

GATA/SCLC 10-2-87

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MARTIN LUTHER KING, Jr., referred to in this report, is MARTIN LUTHER KING, Jr., listed on SCLC literature as President of SCLC. There is no reported activity in New York of MARTIN LUTHER KING, Sr., a member of the Executive Board of the SCLC.

For the purpose of brevity in this report, the Southern Christian Leadership Conference will be abbreviated by the initials SCLC, and the Communist Party, United States of America, by the initials CP.

MARTIN LUTHER KING, Jr.

A CP functionary has described MARTIN LUTHER KING, Jr. as a confirmed Marxist (U) per RFP/ott

NY T-1
February 12, 1962

A. Location and Officials

On March 31, 1967, ADELE KANTER, Office Manager of the SCLC, advised a Special Agent (SA) of the FBI that the New York Office of the SCLC is located in Room 1301, 200 West 57th Street, New York City.

As of September, 1966, EVELYN NELSON, WILLIAM S. STEIN, Church Fund Raiser for SCLC, and Miss ADELE KANTER were the salaried SCLC employees in New York City.

NY T-2
September 28, 1966

The following individuals from New York City act as advisors to MARTIN LUTHER KING, Jr., and meetings attended by KING and these individuals are usually referred to as meetings of the "Research Committee":

STANLEY LEVISON
CLARENCE JONES

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HARRY WACHTEL
BAYARD RUSTIN

NY T-3
March, 1967 (U)

STANLEY LEVISON

STANLEY LEVISON was a secret member of the CP in July, 1963. In late 1963 and early 1964, he criticized the CP for not being sufficiently militant in the civil rights struggle. LEVISON was described by certain CP leaders as being to the "left" of the CP in his position on civil rights. His differences, however, are merely tactical and he continues his ideological adherence to Communism. (S) (U)

NY T-1
April, 1964 (U)

CLARENCE JONES

This 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). (U)

NY T-4
February 26, 1957 (U)

The LYL has been designated pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

HARRY WACHTEL

H. WACHTEL, 41 Broad Street, New York, New York, was on a list of individuals carried as active members of the National Lawyers Guild. (U)

NY T-5
December, 1949 (U)

A characterization of the National Lawyers Guild is included in the appendix of this report.

The name HARRY WACHTEL was on a list of names, significance not known, which was maintained at the Headquarters of the Kings County CP at 26 Court Street, Brooklyn, New York. X(u)

NY T-6
March 5, 1944 X(u)

Regarding HARRY WACHTEL's wife, LEONORA, it is noted that her name and address were on a list of names of newly elected officers of the Bath Beach Club of the Kings County CP. X (u)

NY T-6
March 5, 1944 X(u)

BAYARD RUSTIN

In the "Saturday Evening Post" issue of July 11-18, 1964, Page 76, BAYARD RUSTIN is the subject of a feature article captioned" "The Lone Wolf of Civil Rights". In it, RUSTIN is said to have come to New York in 1938, as an organizer for the Young Communist League (YCL) and, as such, he had the job of recruiting students for the "Party". Furthermore, the article reports that during his first years in New York, RUSTIN gave most of his earnings to the "Party". He reportedly left the "Party" in 1941, the article states.

The YCL has been designated pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

The "Daily Worker", February 11, 1957, Page 1, Column 2, reported that BAYARD RUSTIN, Executive Secretary, War Resisters League, was an observer at the 16th National Convention of the CP held in New York City on February 9-12, 1957.

The "Daily Worker" was an East Coast Communist publication until it ceased publication on January 13, 1958.

During a meeting of the National Board, CP, USA, on that date, BENJAMIN J. DAVIS remarked that "RUSTIN calls me constantly--openly".

NY T-7
September 25, 1963

On February 19 and 20, 1964, BAYARD RUSTIN contacted BENJAMIN J. DAVIS and sought his advice as to how he could escape from a speaking engagement to which he was committed. On the latter contact, DAVIS told RUSTIN that he was working on his request and had contacted friends who had contacts with the group to which RUSTIN was to speak.

NY T-8
February 19 and 20, 1964

As of January 21, 1964, BENJAMIN J. DAVIS was National Secretary of the CP, USA.

NY T-9
January 21, 1964

"The New York Times", August 24, 1964, Page 27, Column 4, reports that BENJAMIN J. DAVIS, National Secretary, CP, USA, died in New York City on the night of August 22, 1964.

B. Influence of New York Members of SCLC "Research Committee" in the Operation of SCLC and in the Public Policies of SCLC

On October 5, 1966, STANLEY LEVISON planned a meeting in his office for 2:00 p.m. that date, with CLARENCE JONES, JACK O'DELL and JOSEPH OVERTON, President of the Harlem Community Council. The nature of the meeting was unknown.

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October 5, 1966

HUNTER PITTS O'DELL
also known as JACK O'DELL

The Fall 1966 issue of "Freedomways", described as a quarterly review of the Negro freedom movements, describes J.H. O'DELL as Associate Managing Editor of that publication.

"Freedomways" is characterized in the appendix of this report.

On October 5, 1966, at 1:47 p.m., Special Agents (SAS) of the FBI observed STANLEY LEVISON enter the building at 1841 Broadway, New York, New York, wherein his office is located. He was followed by JACK O'DELL at 2:12 p.m., and by CLARENCE JONES at 2:17 p.m.

On October 11, 1966, a person believed to be DOUGLAS PUGH, Assistant Executive Director of HARYOU-ACT, New York City, contacted CLARENCE JONES regarding the advisability of PUGH attending the meeting of MARTIN LUTHER KING and his advisors to be held in Atlanta, Georgia, on October 13 and 14, 1966. PUGH explained that his interest in attending the meeting is because he believes the Ford Foundation is interested in finding out what roll it can play now in the Civil Rights Movement. He added that it

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might be meaningful for him to sit in on the discussions since they have the entry to the Ford Foundation through himself.

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October 11, 1966 (U)

On October 11, 1966, CLARENCE JONES told STANLEY LEVISON that DOUGLAS PUGH had informed him that MC GEORGE BUNDY and the Ford Foundation are quite interested in MARTIN LUTHER KING and the SCLC. According to JONES, PUGH said one of the policy discussions of the Foundation is concerned with the programs they might finance in the Civil Rights Movement and that PUGH was directed to see if he could sit in on the discussions that KING and his advisors would be having.

LEVISON stated that he had spoken with an individual from the Ford Foundation for several hours and was told the same thing, that they are interested. LEVISON said he was told that BUNDY wants to give something to the SCLC because he wants to keep his relationship with Senator ROBERT KENNEDY of New York, hoping that when KENNEDY "gets in", BUNDY will be called back at a high level.

LEVISON said he talked to KING about what kind of proposals to make to the Ford Foundation and that LEVISON raised the matter of voter registration in the South on the basis that there is much work to be done and foundations used to support this. He said KING felt this was a top priority for them.

LEVISON felt that PUGH should be invited when they discuss voter registration and its significance in the South. He said JONES should tell KING this and that they should schedule this discussion for a specific day and invite PUGH to be there for it.

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October 11, 1966 (U)

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On October 15, 1966, STANLEY LEVISON and BAYARD RUSTIN were in contact regarding the question of black power and a statement which appeared in the "New York Times" on October 14, 1966, concerning this issue. LEVISON said that when he asked MARTIN LUTHER KING the reason for his positive reply to the question "Do you endorse the statement issued by other civil rights leaders?", he replied, "I thought we agreed that this is what I would say". LEVISON added he then reminded KING of what he had told him earlier saying he should say he found nothing in it that he did not agree with, but his own statement to the press was his feeling on the matter. LEVISON explained that the statement was different from the endorsement.

LEVISON commented that the "New York Times" article by GENE ROBERTS was placed in the paper intentionally, for they apparently wanted him (KING) to take that position.

RUSTIN said KING had to make up his mind publicly and state whether he endorses the statement or not. LEVISON explained with regard to KING's position that it could be that there was only a certain margin of difference between KING and the others, and KING differs only in the fact that he did not want to ignore or isolate those who have an erroneous slogan at the present time.

RUSTIN mentioned that he had talked to FLOYD MC KISSICK, Director of the Congress of Racial Equality (CORE), that morning, and his position was that he just did not know why they continue telling "white folks" what their purposes are, and they have been telling the whites for too long what they believe.

RUSTIN made the observation that KING would be in a jam when hundreds of Negroes in the country would be endorsing and signing a statement of this nature if his name was not on it. He said in his opinion, that it was a very serious mistake for KING. LEVISON explained that it was his feeling that KING would not sign the statement

no matter how many were going to sign it. RUSTIN commented that one cannot continuously put himself in the middle this way and that was what KING had done again. RUSTIN said that was bad with a large segment of white liberals, and it was also bad with the Negro middle class. LEVISON said he was not convinced of that, but added that it may be bad with some white liberals.

LEVISON suggested that RUSTIN should write to KING about this situation. LEVISON mentioned that he had talked about arranging a trip for KING and his wife to Africa and Latin America and place emphasis on the theme of KING's interest in the poor of both white and black, in order that when he returned, he could be the spokesman for both white and black poor.

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October 15, 1966

On October 15, 1966, LEVISON was in contact with ANDREW YOUNG, Executive Director, SCLC. LEVISON acquainted YOUNG with the story in the "New York Times" that "Doctor King Endorses Racial Statement, Backs Negroes Repudiation of Black Power Concept". LEVISON suggested that KING had to write a letter to the "Times" in which he could clearly define where he stood. YOUNG made the suggestion that they needed to say that the press came out and defined the context of the statement in the press and gave a misleading effect to it and the press should not continue to do this. LEVISON said that RUSTIN felt that KING could not stay in the middle; it could do him tremendous harm. LEVISON said he told RUSTIN that KING wanted to be in the middle. LEVISON also suggested that they could also say that KING was endorsing the four principles of that statement.

With regard to the statement to which reference is made, on October 14, 1966, the "New York Times", on Page 27, carried an article which was captioned, "7 Negro

Leaders Issue a Statement of Principles Repudiating 'Black Power' Concepts". Although KING was not one of the signers of the declaration, that statement quoted Dr. JOHN MORSELL, Assistant National Director of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP), as having said that the absence of KING's name was not a rejection by KING of the statement.

The four principles in the statement to which LEVISON referred are:

"We are committed to the attainment of racial justice by democratic process".

"We repudiate any strategies of violence, reprisal or vigilantism, and we condemn both rioting and the demogoguery that feeds it".

"We are committed to integration, by which we mean an end to every barrier which segregation and other forms of discrimination have raised against the enjoyment by Negro Americans of their human constitutional rights".

"As we are committed to the goal of integration into every aspect of the national life, we are equally committed to the common responsibility of all Americans, both white and black, for bringing integration to pass".

YOUNG explained that he felt that KING, in his statement, should say that while he realized the role of the Urban League and the NAACP, he never thought his role to be synonymous with theirs, and that while he understood the frustrations of the black people and their disillusionmen

with the administration, he was not ready to give up. LEVISON agreed with YOUNG. YOUNG indicated that he believed that the administration was trying to divide "us", but that KING was not ready to say so. LEVISON indicated that he would like to get something in "The Times" by Monday. U

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October 15, 1967

The "New York Times", Monday, October 17, 1966, on Page 42, carried an article captioned "Dr. King Clarifies His Stand". In it, KING is reported to have endorsed the four principles contained in the October 14, 1966 statement of the seven Negro leaders. He said, however, that he did not endorse the manifesto because he feared it might be interpreted by the press and public as an attempt to "excommunicate" from the civil rights movement such black power-oriented organizations as the Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee (SNCC) and CORE.

On October 15, 1966, STANLEY LEVISON and MARTIN LUTHER KING were in contact. LEVISON mentioned the article in the "Times"about KING's endorsement of the statement, and KING replied, "That just shows you how you can get into a bind". LEVISON said he was convinced that RUSTIN did that; and he thought that RUSTIN wanted to box KING in. LEVISON suggested that the way to handle the matter was to send a letter to the "Times" acknowledging the endorsement of the statement, but adding that the endorsement was of the four principles that KING had always accepted; however, the press had chosen to read this act as a rejection of the black power concepts and the organizations and this he could not accept and must clarify what his position was, rejecting black power as a slogan and any injury it might cause, but not rejecting the need for participation and power of Negroes.

KING said he thought that that would be the only way out, and he added that what bothered him was that when he made tactical errors, it was usually when he was trying to deal with RUSTIN. LEVISON commented that KING would have to rethink the business of treating RUSTIN as an advisor. KING indicated that it made him look as if he did not have any integrity, especially after he told FLOYD MC KISSICK of CORE that he did not sign the petition. KING said he must be in a position where he would not be lumped in with ROY WILKINS of the NAACP and WHITNEY YOUNG of the Urban League. (U)

NY T-3
October 15, 1966 (U)

On October 15, 1966, CLARENCE JONES made the following observations to an unknown individual:

MARTIN LUTHER KING not only refused to sign the statement, but BAYARD RUSTIN was the one who played the role. What happened was that the American Federation of Labor and the Congress of Industrial Organizations (AFL-CIO), working through RUSTIN, and the administration, working through WHITNEY YOUNG, Head of the Urban League, tried to come up with this kind of statement. RUSTIN was prepared to present it to KING, but KING would not sign it.

KING said he did not agree with STOKELY CARMICHAEL on everything, but CARMICHAEL does articulate what many of the young people feel. KING asked RUSTIN how he, KING, could have their respect and continue to have a dialogue with them if he signed some statement "by some Mickey Mouse Negroes".

STOKELY CARMICHAEL

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The April, May, and June, 1966 issue of "Rights", a self-described publication of the Emergency Civil Liberties Committee (ECLC), states that at the annual meeting of the National Council of the ECLC, which

was held in New York City on April 23, 1966, "Stokely Carmichael, organization executive, Atlanta", was elected a member of the National Council of the ECLC.

A characterization of the ECLC is attached to the appendix of this report.

FLOYD MC KISSICK had contacted KING and said he was grateful that KING did not sign the statement.

KING does not want to be cut off from the young people. KING has been working with youth gangs in Chicago, and he knows these gangs reflect the way CARMICHAEL feels. KING knows he can go into a room with these gangs and carry on a discussion with them.

On October 15, 1966, CLARENCE JONES introduced DOUGLAS PUGH to MARTIN LUTHER KING. JONES described PUGH as the person who has a substantive role in the planning of the Ford Foundation concerning poverty and civil rights. JONES said he felt it was important for KING to talk with PUGH.

PUGH told KING that he had spoken to JONES about MC GEORGE BUNDY, who is ready to move in the civil rights field. KING noted that he was scheduled to meet with BUNDY on Tuesday, October 18, 1966, after which he wants to work out a proposal which will be helpful to the Ford Foundation. PUGH suggested that in KING's meeting with BUNDY, the conversation should be broad and imaginative and that KING should talk in terms of big money. PUGH noted the White House Conference on civil rights had suggested a ten-year program which has to be financed.

KING suggested that he meet with PUGH after his discussion with BUNDY. PUGH stated that KING could reach him at the Ford Foundation which he recently joined after having worked with HARYOU-ACT and the anti-poverty program.

On October 18, 1966, STANLEY LEVISON and MARTIN LUTHER KING were in contact. KING related that he had had a meeting with MC GEORGE BUNDY of the Ford Foundation earlier in the morning in the office of HARRY WACHTEL. KING said that the meeting went very well and, in fact, the Foundation plans to send some personnel to Atlanta to work out the proposal concerning voter registration in the South. U

KING said BUNDY would present the proposal on voter registration to his Board in December, 1966. BUNDY, according to KING, is convinced that the Foundation will make a large grant to the SCLC.

KING then reminded LEVISON of the meeting scheduled for 2:30 p.m. that date in his suite at the New York Hilton Hotel. KING said Dr. KENNETH CLARK, Psychology Professor at City College, New York, New York, CLARENCE JONES and ANDY YOUNG would be there to meet with him. LEVISON said he would be there without fail. KING told him to come to Room 3121.

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October 18, 1966 (U)

On October 23, 1966, STANLEY LEVISON was in contact with JESSIE JACKSON, SCLC staff member assigned to Operation "Bread Basket" in Chicago. U

JACKSON said he was concerned if LEVISON was planning to come to Chicago next week since he and Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING were supposed to have lunch on Thursday, October 27, 1966, with some Negro press writers, and on Friday, "Bread Basket" meets. LEVISON promised to be there on Tuesday and would work with JACKSON on Tuesday and Wednesday. JACKSON told LEVISON he should come to 5748 Kinpark Avenue, which is located two blocks from the University of Chicago. U

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LEVISON, in diverting his attention from Chicago to Houston, Texas, said CAROL HOOVER, SCLC field worker, was in Houston working on the SCLC project. He said even though HOOVER has had experience in such things, she should have some supervision because the project is so important to the SCLC. He described the project as one which has never been undertaken before, and it entails turning to the community and organizing things in the community so that "you are solidly resting on the Negro community".

JACKSON mentioned addressing the American Jewish Congress (AJC) on October 22, 1966, and came away feeling that the relationship with the AJC had not been sufficiently appealed to; that it was necessary to cultivate relationship with the rabbis all across the country. LEVISON replied that reaching the rabbis was not always effective for reaching a slum landlord, because a slum landlord often does not go to a synagogue. LEVISON said he is on the National Executive Board of the AJC, and for the past couple of weeks, the Board has been meeting with the new National President, a rabbi from Cleveland by the name of LELYVELD. This rabbi, LEVISON said, was beaten up in Mississippi; he has taken the position that he will not back up because of "Black Power", but on the contrary, wants to understand it. In fact, according to LEVISON, LELYVELD had discussions with FLOYD MC KISSICK, Director of CORE, about the topic. LEVISON described LELYVELD as an untypical white liberal since he was not running away or using "Black Power" as an excuse for diminishing his interest.

Continuing, LEVISON said the thing about LELYVELD that surprised him was that he is an apologist for "Black Power". LEVISON said when he (LEVISON) argued that the term "Black Power" is not a good slogan, but stressing at the same time the need for power and the need for black consciousness, LELYVELD argued that the term "Black Power" is a good slogan. LEVISON said that meant that LELYVELD has a pretty advanced type of thinking. LEVISON said other Jewish groups gravitate toward the NAACP, because it is a case of middle class liking middle class.

The area LEVISON would like to see tapped for support, financial and otherwise, is the Negro community itself. According to him, the Negro community is where there is plenty of money, but no one has organized any type of mechanism for getting it, and that one who does this is going to do something revolutionary. He explained that many Negroes do not belong to any social club which raises money for the Negro movement or to churches, but would be willing to give money if they were approached.

LEVISON said he was working on a plan to bring the Negro press to a level of real acceptability and get them tied up to SCLC objectives, and for that he has called a meeting for Thursday, October 27, 1966, in Chicago. He said he would also get together with some insurance representatives and leaders to explain to them that they, along with the "Negro preacher", could have a substantial drive to increase the dividends for their companies. In doing so, a kickback percentage of the gross would, in given time, go to the SCLC.

In a similar move, CLARENCE JONES has started a program like this for his insurance company, the Intra-American Insurance Company of New York, New York. His program is in conjunction with the AME Church in New York City. The plan, according to LEVISON, works as follows: the church gets the application signed by its members and gets ten percent of the first year's commission and one percent thereafter.

In regard to other SCLC fund raising activities, LEVISON and JACKSON expressed dismay at MARTIN LUTHER KING's plans to go to Jerusalem next year. LEVISON's opposition is due mainly to the efforts of some to commercialize the venture, and to portray the SCLC as a religious oriented organization. In doing so, LEVISON said, many Negroes would feel that they would not want to become affiliated with a church group.

During their contact, JACKSON mentioned that KING would be in New York on Friday, October 28, 1966, but said he did not know the nature of his trip. JACKSON said he would be in New York on Monday, October 31, 1966, to meet with people supporting Operation "Bread Basket" u

Finally, the subject of travel costs of SCLC officials who travel from one place to another to speak came up. JACKSON said he wanted to deal with the issue since it costs the SCLC a lot of money to pay for their jaunts. LEVISON said in reply that he flies back and forth at will, never charges the SCLC, never has to ask for permission because he pays his own travel. u

NY T-3
October 23, 1966 (u)

On October 23, 1966, STANLEY LEVISON and CLARENCE JONES were in contact. LEVISON wanted to know if JONES had been successful in contacting JAMES HOFFA's office. JONES replied that there was a possibility that MARTIN LUTHER KING would have an appointment with HOFFA this week in Chicago. JONES remarked that PAUL O'DWYER told him that HOFFA, like other trade unionists, was afraid of the "white backlash" within his ranks. LEVISON said HOFFA needs KING. JONES said KING apparently has reservations about HOFFA and that LEVISON had better set him straight. LEVISON said: "I'm not going to tell him, I'm going to kick his head in". LEVISON referred to the great importance of the Teamsters Union and the fact that KING was too innocent in this area. LEVISON said he would talk to KING about this in no uncertain terms. u

NY T-3
October 23, 1966 (u)

On October 24, 1966, STANLEY LEVISON and Reverend JAMES BEVEL, Administrator of the SCLC Chicago project, were in contact. u

LEVISON said a group of students desired BEVEL to speak at the Library Mall on the University of Wisconsin campus at Madison, Wisconsin, on November 6, 1966. According to LEVISON, BEVEL's appearance would be in connection with a public rally at 3:00 p.m. (u)

BEVEL, after being informed that his expenses would be paid by LEVISON, said he would be willing to appear. LEVISON then furnished him the names of WALTER LIPPMAN and ROBIN DAVID as individuals he should contact upon arriving in Madison. (u)

Later, during the same day, ANDREW LEVISON (son of STANLEY LEVISON) and his mother, BEA LEVISON, were in contact regarding the rally scheduled for November 6, 1966. BEA LEVISON said ANDY's father, STANLEY, would also be in attendance at the rally and, in fact, planned to accompany JAMES BEVEL, the main speaker. ANDREW LEVISON is a student at the University of Wisconsin, having entered there as a freshman this fall. (u)

NY T-3
October 24, 1966 (u)

On October 31, 1966, STANLEY LEVISON and CLARENCE JONES were in contact concerning MARTIN LUTHER KING's plans to meet with JAMES HOFFA. LEVISON said he had learned from KING that he would not be able to meet with HOFFA that week unless HOFFA could meet on Tuesday or Saturday of that week. LEVISON said KING is prevented from a meeting on any other date that week because of commitments in Pittsburgh and Chicago. With regard to his commitment in Pittsburgh, KING is to address a group at the University of Pittsburgh on November 2, and is to hold a meeting in Chicago on November 3, 1966, with people from various sections of the country. (u)

On October 31, 1966, CLARENCE JONES was in contact with PHILIP SHIPSER of the Teamsters Union to

ascertain if HOFFA would be willing to meet with KING on Tuesday, November 1, 1966. SHIPSER said it was impossible for him to do so this week, but suggested JONES contact KING to see if a meeting on November 9th or 10th would be agreeable, and if not, then one day during the week of November 14th. JONES said he would contact KING and then advise which day would be preferable.

NY T-10
October 31, 1966

On October 29, 1966, STANLEY LEVISON and MARTIN LUTHER KING were in contact. LEVISON commented that in regard to SCLC fund raising, some method should be instituted whereby the name of a contributor could be researched to determine if he has a greater potential for giving, and if so, he could be made a regular friend of the organization.

KING said he recently met with DICK RUSSELL, whom he described as a multi-millionaire, a militant opponent of the war in Viet Nam, and a former supporter of the Urban League and the SCLC. RUSSELL, KING said, later switched his support from the SCLC to CORE and to the SNCC when these organizations became more active in anti-Viet Nam activities. RUSSELL has now become disenchanted with these organizations and would like to resume his association with the SCLC, KING remarked.

KING went on to remark that RUSSELL wanted him to serve on the Board of the "New Politics", since he is so actively involved with the organization. LEVISON cautioned KING to be very reluctant in becoming a member, since the Board is composed of people like Dr. BENJAMIN SPOCK, renowned baby specialist. LEVISON said SPOCK and others like him were the kind of people who could guide KING in the wrong direction.

KING said RUSSELL was in favor of organizing a new company which would be half owned by the SCLC. It would

be the type company that would sell products which the purchaser could buy knowing that the profits would go to the SCLC. In trying to determine what type company would be more profitable, RUSSELL suggested a retail record and stereo tape marketing operation. LEVISON was reluctant to give his approval for such a venture, adding instead, that he would like to consider the matter in great detail before so doing. KING said he expected to go to RUSSELL's house in the early Spring to attend a fund raising affair which he has planned. RUSSELL, KING said, has promised him $25,000.00 from the affair. KING mentioned that RUSSELL is reputed to be worth eighty million dollars. U

In discussing other ways by which the SCLC could raise funds, KING and LEVISON mentioned that there was a plan to sell sermons for radio dissemination. This plan, LEVISON said, could bring in more than $100,000.00 a year. The problem facing them is to get a sermon writer, since there is such a big backlog of sermons. U

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October 29, 1966

On October 29, 1966, LEVISON and his brother, ROY BENNETT, were in contact. LEVISON told him of plans to make MARTIN LUTHER KING a radio minister, "purely", LEVISON remarked, for the money which "they" (the SCLC) could get by "conning" advertisers, particularly those which sell to Negro communities. U

ROY BENNETT

As of July 16, 1966, ROY BENNETT was a secret member of the CP.

NY T-1
July 16, 1966

On November 3, 1966, CLARENCE JONES and MARTIN LUTHER KING, President of the SCLC, were in contact. JONES asked KING if he had decided when the conference would be held. KING said he had decided that it should be held subsequent to the elections on Tuesday, November 8, 1966, so therefore, had scheduled it for Sunday, November 13 through 16, 1966. (U)

KING then referred to a recent conversation he had with ANNE FARNSWORTH, and said he had received a promise from her to make a contribution in stocks to the SCLC. He said he did not know how much the contribution would amount to, but was of the opinion that it would be a considerable one. (U)

Another recent contribution, according to the source, came from DICK RUSSELL, who gave KING $5,000.00. JONES acknowledged that he had heard about RUSSELL's contribution as he had discussed RUSSELL's willingness to set up a business for the benefit of the SCLC with STANLEY LEVISON. And as a consequence of RUSSELL's offer, LEVISON will meet with JONES next week to discuss the offer. (U)

On November 3, 1966, JONES and STANLEY LEVISON were in conversation on that date regarding SCLC matters. The first matter considered was the luncheon appointment on November 9, 1966, between MARTIN LUTHER KING and JAMES HOFFA, President of the Brotherhood of Teamsters. JONES related that he had been successful in arranging the meeting for noon on that date, and that it would take place in HOFFA's office in Washington, D.C.

JONES told LEVISON of his recent contact with KING during which time they discussed the matter of JESSIE JACKSON, Head of the SCLC's operation "Bread Basket" in Chicago, Illinois, and how his salary would be paid. JONES said the difficulty over his salary was a question of which organization should actually pay him. LEVISON suggested he meet with JONES over the weekend to discuss this matter as well as other SCLC business. This suggestion was agreed to by JONES, but no date was set.

They also discussed the possibility of opening a retail record business for the benefit of the SCLC. BENNETT expressed disappointment because he said the retail record business was not a very good venture to begin with.

LEVISON mentioned that KING was considering membership on the Board of the "New Politics" group. BENNETT said the "New Politics" group centers around ARTHUR WASSOW of Washington, D.C. He also opined that the "New Politics" group is made up of "screwy" people in addition to being a dangerous group of very naive people who would probably move to the "left", particularly in the international area. BENNETT said KING should not become a part of this group.

NY T-3
October 29, 1966

On October 21, 1966, JUNIUS GRIFFIN, ~~Publicity Director of the SCLC,~~ and STANLEY LEVISON were in contact. GRIFFIN said he had been notified that the SCLC's charter in New York State had been revoked because the organization had failed to comply with Article 10-A of the Social Welfare Law, which requires registration by a charitable institution engaged in soliciting funds in the State. As a result of having been so notified, the SCLC will have to re-register GRIFFIN said.

LEVISON said he was notified that their charter had been revoked and that he had already commenced the necessary procedures to correct this situation. In order to do this, it will be necessary to prepare and submit an annual report to the State of New York. Along with the application containing the signatures of MARTIN LUTHER KING and RALPH ABERNATHY, Secretary-Treasurer of the SCLC, will be the annual report, LEVISON said.

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Finally, the source said, LEVISON and JONES talked about the Staff Conference of the SCLC which is scheduled to be held on Sunday, November 13-16, 1966. Both men agreed that in view of SCLC's financial difficulties, they did not think it wise to hold such a meeting at this time. In fact, LEVISON said the SCLC's decision to have so many people attend the meeting and to pay their travel expenses was untenable. LEVISON said he had reservations about attending and was considering making a suggestion to postpone it until the SCLC could pay off some of its obligations. He said if it did not start to pay some of its creditors, he expected lawsuits at any time. (u)

NY T-10
November 8, 1966

On November 8, 1966, CLARENCE JONES, STANLEY LEVISON, MARTIN LUTHER KING and ANDREW YOUNG were in conference concerning an article appearing in the "Daily News", a New York newspaper, of November 8th entitled, "King Woos Hoffa Dollars for his Rights Campaign". KING became disturbed over this article and the possible reflection of association with HOFFA on the Civil Rights Movement and on KING himself. LEVISON and JONES attempted to persuade KING that the article in its context resolved the problem in that the primary reason for the meeting was that the teamsters have a Negro membership of four hundred and fifty thousand and is the largest organized group of Negroes in the nation. KING maintained that to represent the meeting as anything other than an appeal for funds would be dishonest, and the fact that he would be associating with a crook and a criminal would be in complete opposition to his role of "Man of God". KING also feared that association with HOFFA might alienate other labor leaders. (u)

KING refused to be placated, and insisted that before going through with the meeting, he would first have to consult with WALTER REUTHER and RALPH HELSTEIN for their opinions. (u)

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RALPH HELSTEIN

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LEVISON and JONES privately agreed that the leak of the story appearing in the "Daily News" came from HOFFA's headquarters. LEVISON indicated that he believes that REUTHER will advise KING against the meeting and indicated that HELSTEIN has already voiced opposition to the meeting inasmuch as HELSTEIN believes that HOFFA will attempt to use KING. (4)

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November 8, 1966 (4)

On November 8, 1966, CLARENCE JONES and STANLEY LEVISON were to depart New York at 9:30 a.m., believed to be on Eastern Airlines Shuttle, November 9, 1966, and arrive at Washington, D.C., at 10:45 a.m. to attend the meeting of MARTIN LUTHER KING and JAMES HOFFA. JONES planned to meet Eastern Airlines Flight 130 on which KING would arrive in Washington, D.C., at 11:29 a.m., November 9, 1966. A party of five, including JONES, KING and LEVISON, were then proceeding to the meeting with HOFFA by limousine. (4)

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November 8, 1966 (4)

On November 8, 1966, a conference took place between MARTIN LUTHER KING and his advisors; namely, STANLEY LEVISON, CLARENCE JONES and ANDREW YOUNG. Their

conference was in regard to the meeting scheduled for November 9, 1966, between KING and JAMES HOFFA, and in that regard, KING said RALPH HELSTEIN had advised against the meeting in view of the newspaper article in "The New York Daily News" to the effect that KING was to meet HOFFA to get funds. HELSTEIN, according to KING, was of the opinion that to go through with the meeting would alienate friends in other unions and raise some questions as to what deal was made between KING and HOFFA. KING said he would feel better if he could get out of the meeting.

LEVISON, in view of KING's reluctance to meet HOFFA, said KING should send HOFFA a telegram expressing his regrets for not being able to meet at this time. LEVISON also told JONES that he should contact SHIPSER and have him talk to HAROLD GIBBONS of the Teamsters and try to arrange a meeting between GIBBONS and KING.

KING said he was to be in Washington on November 9, 1966, and that JONES and SHIPSER should also come to Washington so that YOUNG could explain to SHIPSER why KING could not meet HOFFA.

NY T-11
November 8, 1966

On November 9, 1966, CLARENCE JONES and ANDREW YOUNG were in contact during the early morning. JONES took the opportunity to reveal to YOUNG the contents of a telegram he was sending to JAMES HOFFA explaining why KING could not meet him on November 9, 1966.

This telegram, attributed to KING, was in substance as follows:

KING said recent events in Chicago involving a jurisdictional dispute over the organization of hospital workers and the unfortunate article which appeared in "The Daily News", characterizing their meeting as merely

an appeal for funds on his part, made it necessary to postpone their luncheon until a more favorable time. Continuing, the telegram pointed out that KING was of the opinion that such a meeting would be misinterpreted by other unions involved in the SCLC Chicago Project. KING said he had hoped that that conflict in Chicago would have been easily resolved, but that his optimism was shattered by a report he received yesterday from Chicago. KING said in closing, that in view of the large Negro membership in the Teamsters, he looked forward to meeting HOFFA in the near future.

JONES told YOUNG that it was important to him that he meet with the attorney to smooth over things and that he felt that YOUNG should also meet with the two of them. JONES said he would bring him on the plane to Washington, and then all three of them could confer when they arrived there. YOUNG agreed to meet JONES and the attorney at 11:30 a.m., November 9, 1966, at the National Airport, Washington.

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November 9, 1966 X(u)

On November 11, 1966, CLARENCE JONES and STANLEY LEVISON were in contact during the evening. The contact was to permit JONES to relate to LEVISON what transpired during his two day meeting with the Teamsters. The following is in substance, what took place according to JONES:

JONES, MARTIN LUTHER KING, President of the SCLC, JAMES HOFFA, President of the Teamsters, HAROLD GIBBONS, Assistant to HOFFA, met on Thursday, November 10th, to discuss problems of the SCLC, particularly those concerning the Chicago operations. JONES said they agreed to cooperate in matters concerning the SCLC. Financial support to the SCLC was promised by the Teamsters after GIBBONS pointed out that it was much easier for the Teamsters to sustain the SCLC on a continuing basis than make an outright contribution. GIBBONS said it was nothing for the Teamsters to provide fifty thousand dollars on a periodic basis in a cooperative program with SCLC.

In describing HOFFA's attitude during the meeting, JONES said he took a very statesmanlike attitude towards the jurisdictional dispute in Chicago. HOFFA promised to enter the dispute on a cooperative basis and agreed that "However the jurisdiction falls on the nature of the work, that's the way they will take it, even if they only get fifteen to twenty per cent of the workers".

LEVISON inquired as to what impression HOFFA made on KING. JONES said he, JONES, did not get a chance to find out as they went their own way when the meeting broke. However, in JONES' mind, he, JONES, has never met anyone as tough as HOFFA.

JONES said HOFFA wants to have an association with the Civil Rights Movement where the Teamsters are involved in organizing workers, as he feels there is no trade union movement in this country. In fact, HOFFA said the Teamsters are out of the AFL-CIO, "not because they are bandits, but because they refuse to ride around in cadillacs as part of the labor aristocracy".

JONES said during the meeting a committee was organized whose purpose will be to handle matters of mutual concern which arise between the SCLC and Teamsters. JONES said HOFFA designated GIBBONS to chair the committee.

LEVISON and JONES agreed to meet on Sunday, November 13, 1966, in order that JONES might furnish in greater detail what took place during his meeting in Washington. It was decided that LEVISON and his wife would go to JONES' house for the afternoon.

NY T-10
November 11, 1966

On November 17, 1966, STANLEY LEVISON and a female believed to be DORIS FILNER, the wife of a business associate of LEVISON's, were in contact. LEVISON mentioned that he was going to Atlanta, Georgia, on Sunday night, November 20, 1966, and that he would remain there until sometime on Wednesday, November 23, 1966.

NY T-3
November 17, 1966

On November 20, 1966, STANLEY LEVISON indicated that he would depart from New York at 9:00 p.m. on that date aboard Delta Airlines Flight 185, for Atlanta, Georgia.

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November 20, 1966

STANLEY LEVISON arrived in Atlanta, Georgia, on November 20, 1966, and expressed an intention to remain until Tuesday, November 22, 1966, conducting business for the SCLC.

NY T-3
November 21, 1966

On November 14, 1966, STANLEY LEVISON and BILL STEIN, chief fund raiser for the SCLC, were in contact for the purpose of permitting STEIN to fill LEVISON in on developments concerning his proposal to get the Episcopal Church to pay his salary. If the church agrees to underwrite his salary, it would pay the money directly to him rather than to the SCLC. STEIN said the SCLC was suffering a severe difficulty in financing its operations, thus necessitating this type of an arrangement.

Other SCLC personnel, STEIN said, are paid by their respective church groups since the SCLC is rooted in the church, and grounded in its theology. He said ANDREW YOUNG is paid by the United Church; HOSEA WILLIAMS, Projects Director of the SCLC, is paid by the United Presbyterian Church; and JAMES BEVEL, Director of the SCLC project in Chicago, is paid by the West Side Christian Parish in Chicago.

After hearing STEIN's comments regarding the matter, LEVISON said he would try to have someone from the SCLC Headquarters in Atlanta, Georgia, type a cover letter for STEIN's proposal as set out. The letter, LEVISON commented, would go out over the signature of MARTIN LUTHER KING.

NY T-3
November 14, 1966

On November 12, 1966, STANLEY LEVISON and RICHARD RUSSELL were in conference in regard to a suitable date on which LEVISON could discuss in great detail, RUSSELL's willingness to set up a business for the SCLC. It was agreed that LEVISON would go to RUSSELL's home on Wednesday, November 16, 1966, where they would consider the advantages and disadvantages in the SCLC's involvement in a business venture. LEVISON indicated that he would take an early afternoon train to Hartford, Connecticut, and upon his arrival there, would call RUSSELL.

NY T-3
November 12, 1966

On November 30, 1966, STANLEY LEVISON was in contact with ADELE KANTER regarding a request from the "Student Afro-American Society" for the SCLC to furnish two speakers to participate in a program on Saturday night, December 3, 1966. KANTER described the organization as mainly a Negro group at Columbia University, New York, New York, and LEVISON indicated that he was familiar with this group.

KANTER, in elaborating on the fund raising program to be presented by the organization, said there would be a seminar following speeches by FLOYD MC KISSICK, National Director of the Congress of Racial Equality (CORE) JAMES FARMER, former National Director of COPE, and JAMES MEREDITH. After hearing this, LEVISON said the SCLC would not furnish speakers to participate because it was an affront to the SCLC to follow the other speakers. KANTER was told by LEVISON to inform the organization that the SCLC did not have speakers available for such a seminar, in view of the fact that it did not have adequate time to prepare them.

LEVISON was asked if he had given any more thought to the Christmas card idea. He told KANTER that he had studied the card entitled, "The Children of Birmingham",

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but said he had not decided whether it should be sent out by the SCLC. He said he was conferring with a friend of his who is knowledgeable on copyright matters, and upon getting her decision, would decide whether the card should be mailed.

LEVISON mentioned to KANTER that he had recently conferred with JESSIE JACKSON, and had learned that JACKSON was getting some good results from Negro businessmen in Chicago, Illinois, on pledges of $500.00 and $1,000.00 a year. JACKSON mentioned to LEVISON that he urgently needed some sort of plaque he could give these businessmen in return for their gifts. LEVISON instructed KANTER to call some companies who make such plaques and find out about having them make some for the SCLC.

NY T-3
November 30, 1966

On November 30, 1966, STANLEY LEVISON and MICHAEL MILLER of the Ford Foundation were in contact. LEVISON said he had learned that MARTIN LUTHER KING's appearance before the group had been changed to December 15, 1966. KING, according to LEVISON, would be the only speaker that day.

MILLER mentioned that he was planning to bring together a group of people on Tuesday, December 6, 1966, to discuss matters concerning urban problems. LEVISON, after being told of MILLER's plans, said he would like to bring DICK RUSSELL. LEVISON described RUSSELL as a person who has had some very interesting work in Hartford, Connecticut, and a very close friend of the SCLC, who could contribute something to the meeting. MILLER was receptive to this suggestion.

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On November 30, 1966, LEVISON and DICK RUSSELL were in contact concerning MARTIN LUTHER KING's appearance before the Senate Hearings concerning urban problems being conducted by Senator ABRAHAM RIBICOFF. LEVISON noted that since KING is to appear on December 15, 1966, MICHAEL MILLER was having a few people together on December 6, 1966, to discuss and prepare a few things for KING. RUSSELL indicated that he would be pleased to attend this meeting.

LEVISON told RUSSELL his work on "Freedom Brands" trademark was progressing nicely and that it would be published through distributors with a royalty for the SCLC.

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November 30, 1966

On November 30, 1966, STANLEY LEVISON told MARTIN LUTHER KING that he had completed the paper on the guaranteed annual wage and wanted to know where he should sent it. KING told LEVISON to send it to CHAUNCY ESKRIDGE, a Chicago attorney.

LEVISON mentioned an article which appeared in the December, 1966 issue of "McCalls" magazine, and said JOAN DAVES, Publishers Representative, was very upset because she was not contacted before. In describing the article, LEVISON said it had to do with the SCLC and KING. KING said that the article was actually written by JUNIUS GRIFFEN, Public Relations Director of the SCLC, and that $500.00 was received by the SCLC for the article.

KING and LEVISON discussed the possibility that WYATT WALKER, the former Executive Director of the SCLC, might return to the SCLC. LEVISON pointed out that WALKER's position as President of the Educational Heritage Company was terminated a short time ago and that he is now Chairman of the company. LEVISON said WALKER could not live on the salary he receives as Chairman, and therefore, was considering a return to the SCLC. KING acknowledged that WALKER had made mention of the fact that he would consider returning to the SCLC, and that KING was considering placing WALKER in charge

of the Chicago operations of the SCLC. LEVISON expressed disappointment in hearing this, pointing out that he did not think WALKER could fill the bill in view of his shortcomings.

KING mentioned that he had recently received word from Sweden that they have $2,500.00 which they would send to him in December.

NY T-3
November 30, 1966

On December 8, 1966, MARTIN LUTHER KING met with MICHAEL MILLER of the Ford Foundation and HARRY WACHTEL in WACHTEL's law office to discuss the Ford Foundation plans to give a grant to the SCLC.

NY T-3
December 8, 1966

On December 12, 1966, MARTIN LUTHER KING and STANLEY LEVISON were in contact in reference to KING's testimony before the Senate Committee on urban matters, headed by Senator ABRAHAM RIBICOFF. LEVISON stated that he would meet with MICHAEL MILLER on December 12, 1966, and that they would complete their work on December 13, 1966, and would then submit their work for KING's comments and observations.

KING stated he was still thinking about what he should say to the Committee since he did not want to repeat what other civil rights leaders had said. LEVISON agreed that it was a problem, but said material coming from academic people, which makes mention of the inequality of the distribution of income, would be something new. LEVISON stated that the guaranteed income which KING would testify about would also be new. LEVISON noted that despite prosperity in the country, the problems of the cities are not being solved, and therefore, the guaranteed income would be a positive suggestion.

KING noted that he must reiterate others testimony that war in Viet Nam is standing in the way of implementation of the things which he urges. He indicated that he must be strong on this point since it is an open invitation to confusion, chaos, disruption and riot. LEVISON said KING's testimony would have to be analytical and passionate at the same time. They agreed that something could be done with the guaranteed annual income, giving facts and figures to support their position. u

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December 12, 1966 X(u)

On December 13, 1966, STANLEY LEVISON and MARTIN LUTHER KING conferred. They decided that KING, LEVISON and ANDREW YOUNG would meet in KING's hotel suite at the New York Hilton Hotel, New York City, on December 14, 1966, to go over KING's testimony before the Senate Committee on urban matters on Thursday, December 15, 1966. At LEVISON's suggestion, KING agreed that MICHAEL MILLER of the Ford Foundation should also attend. LEVISON mentioned that he and MILLER had been working on a memorandum which KING would use during the hearing to present the program and the views of the SCLC. u

NY T-3
December 13, 1966 X(u)

On December 13, 1966, STANLEY LEVISON and MICHAEL MILLER were in contact. They discussed the memorandum they were preparing for MARTIN LUTHER KING's use when he testified before ABRAHAM RIBICOFF's committee on Thursday, December 15, 1966. LEVISON wanted MILLER to accompany him to KING's hotel suite at the New York Hilton on Wednesday, December 14, 1966, to confer about KING's appearance. u

NY T-3
December 13, 1966 X(u)

On December 14, 1966, STANLEY LEVISON and CLARENCE JONES were in contact concerning KING's appearance before Senator ABRAHAM RIBICOFF's committee on December 15, 1966. LEVISON desired some figures concerning population which JONES had compiled. JONES' figures reflected that 78 of the largest cities in the United States now have a Negro population of 20 to 25 percent, and that by 1970, 25 of these cities will have a Negro population of over 50 percent. It was JONES' opinion that the financial and business communities in these cities will not abandon the inner urban center of the happenstance of the ghetto, but will solve the problem of the ghetto rather than turn the city over to the black majority. JONES felt that the political structure would be dominated by the particular urban character of the population.

NY T-3
December 14, 1966

On December 20, 1966, STANLEY LEVISON was in conference with THOMAS OFFENBERGER of the SCLC Public Relations Office. OFFENBERGER mentioned that the SCLC had received an inquiry from the "New York Times" and the "Washington Post" as to whether the SCLC desired to run an advertisement in the economic review section of those publications in January, 1967. LEVISON instructed OFFENBERGER to make certain that no advertisement appeared, since to do so would tend to give the impression to the public that the SCLC was well-off financially.

OFFENBERGER noted that MARTIN LUTHER KING had turned over the reigns to the SCLC on December 19, 1966, and went to Chicago for a press conference concerning the housing project he plans to undertake in that city. After the press conference, KING was scheduled to take off for a while.

OFFENBERGER noted that due to KING's efforts in writing his book, the fund raising projects of the SCLC in Houston, Texas, and South Carolina, have been postponed until March, 1967.

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December 20, 1966

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On January 14, 1967, a conference between MARTIN LUTHER KING, BAYARD RUSTIN, STANLEY LEVISON, A. PHILIP RANDOLPH, President of the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters, ANDREW YOUNG, Executive Director of the SCLC, and RALPH ABERNATHY, Secretary-Treasurer of the SCLC, took place in regard to the controversy over Congressman ADAM CLAYTON POWELL and in particular, the refusal of Congress to seat POWELL. The following was, in substance, what transpired during their discussion:

First of all, RANDOLPH announced that on Monday, January 16, 1967, he would hold a meeting at his office in New York City to discuss with civil rights leaders and other leaders in various walks of life, Congressman POWELL's arrogance and misconduct, and then issue a statement pointing out that the Negro leadership does not condone his conduct.

KING announced that he would not be able to attend this meeting at RANDOLPH's because he was going on vacation to Jamaica. However, he was glad to hear that some action was being planned, since his organization needs a sense of direction on the matter.

The question arose as to what kind of organization RANDOLPH has organized to handle those matters pertinent to POWELL's difficulty with Congress. It was learned from RANDOLPH that he had organized a committee called "Justice and Congress", which will be made up of civil rights leaders and some church leaders. This committee, according to RANDOLPH, will be an Ad Hoc Committee until a meeting of rights leaders takes place in Washington in two weeks, at which time, the committee will go out of existence.

It was RUSTIN's opinion that some decision must be reached on Monday to control POWELL. He mentioned that POWELL had been running around the country telling everyone that he had RANDOLPH and that "stupid King" in his pocket. It was RUSTIN's conclusion that unless POWELL is stopped, he will ruin the entire civil rights movement. RUSTIN, the source mentioned, has very little sympathy for POWELL.

KING pointed out that he had received numerous letters from people who were outraged because he supported POWELL. These people, KING mentioned, were disillusioned and felt that Negro leaders had been very dishonest in supporting POWELL without pointing out that he was responsible for the treatment he is receiving. It was KING's conclusion that in supporting POWELL, it looked as if Negro leaders were condoning immorality, concerning the money question, and all of the other things that finally came out concerning POWELL. KING admitted that he would not mind facing the criticism and loss of money that he would surely suffer as long as POWELL appreciated it, but was of the opinion that POWELL did not appreciate the support.

RANDOLPH agreed that many white people, who have a very fine record on civil rights, feel that when the Negro leadership came out in support of POWELL, that it had displayed a lack of civic righteousness. In order to offset this attitude, RANDOLPH felt that it must be made clear that the Negro leadership has a Constitutional obligation to support POWELL.

It was RUSTIN's feeling that what the Negro leadership should say in any press release is that what we now call for is the abolishment of the Rules Committee as it is now set up, and that an ethical standard be established on which all people could be judged.

It was LEVISON's position that no longer could the Negro leadership "pussyfoot" on the issue. He maintained that the Negro leadership was already in an unbalanced situation, in that the country believes that the Negro leadership had backed POWELL on everything he had done. LEVISON enumerated two points which he said had to be gotten across to the public: one, the Constitutional and Congressional issues that are involved in the hope that they can understand; and the other, what the Negro leadership feels about POWELL. In explaining what he meant, LEVISON was of the opinion that if Negro leaders could call POWELL arrogant in private, they should also say the same in public.

LEVISON expressed confidence that if the most prominent Negro leaders were to make a statement that POWELL's actions were misconduct, it would get a press play that would be big enough to wash out any preliminary or temporary confusion that he may have created.

The conference concluded on a note of agreement that on Monday, January 16, 1967, following the meeting at RANDOLPH's office, a statement would be issued pointing out that the Negro leadership concludes that what is involved in this case are principles that are bigger than ordinary Congressional rules. But these rules, whatever they may be, have to be applied to everyone, the statement will include. The statement will also urge that Congress respect the Congressional District which elected POWELL.

NY T-3
January 14, 1967

On January 17, 1967, BAYARD RUSTIN and STANLEY LEVISON were in contact. The source advised that his information indicated that their contact was in regard to a meeting which took place on January 16, 1967, in the New York Office of A. PHILIP RANDOLPH, the President of the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters, and which was attended by representatives of several civil rights organizations. The meeting, which was for the purpose of arriving at some decision as to what course of action should be taken in the controversy over Congressman ADAM CLAYTON POWELL, was held at noon time on that date. RUSTIN was angry over the fact that no one from the SCLC attended.

It was decided during the meeting referred to, that a statement which RUSTIN prepared, should be issued on behalf of the Negro leadership. In essence, the statement, when issued, will point out that differences exist within the civil rights movement as to the accomplishments of Congressman ADAM CLAYTON POWELL. But without condoning the actions of POWELL, the civil

rights movement has two things to say: 1) it strongly objects to the unseating of POWELL; and 2) that he has been denied due process and his constitutents have been unduly deprived of representation in Congress. The statement will also point out that this is not an issue among Negroes alone, but concerns all Americans who believe in the democratic process. It will further state that the position of the Negro leadership is supported by New York Senators JAVITS and KENNEDY. (u)

In conclusion, the statement will urge a uniform standard of conduct for all Congressmen, a standard of conduct which should be enforced among all members. The statement will point out that the Negro leadership does not want a double standard of conduct, and that they do not shut their eyes to the shortcomings of POWELL or anyone else, but that POWELL is the only one who has been judged. When everyone is judged, not POWELL alone, the Negro leadership will not demand immunity for anyone. (u)

It was LEVISON's opinion that the last sentence in the statement should be deleted because it was defensive and sounded as though the Negro leadership was asking for immunity for POWELL. RUSTIN acceded to LEVISON's objection and agreed to delete the objectionable part. (u)

NY T-3
January 17, 1967 (u)

On January 19, 1967, STANLEY LEVISON was in conference with ANDREW YOUNG, Executive Director of the SCLC, and RALPH ABERNATHY, Secretary-Treasurer of the SCLC. The conference, according to the information furnished by the source, was in regard to the following: (u)

LEVISON was concerned about an article which appeared in newspapers several days ago in which HOSEA WILLIAMS, Director of Special Projects, SCLC, claimed that Negroes in Chicago were not interested in registering to vote, and, therefore, that was the reason the SCLC's

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drive in that city was not succeeding. It was LEVISON's feeling that WILLIAMS had breached a trust entrusted in him and that he was trying to blame someone else for his failure. LEVISON reportedly had told YOUNG that if he were KING, he would fire HOSEA WILLIAMS.

KING was very upset over WILLIAMS' story, especially since the articles made it appear as though the drive in Chicago had failed and, therefore, KING should not have commenced the drive in the first place. It was KING's suggestion to have YOUNG and ABERNATHY calm WILLIAMS, but LEVISON was of the opinion that something more than calming him was involved. It was LEVISON's feeling that WILLIAMS was not competent to conduct the Chicago registration drive. The minimum treatment to be given WILLIAMS, LEVISON felt, should be to have him stripped of his title as Director of the Chicago drive.

It was KING's feeling that such drastic action, advocated by LEVISON, should not be taken without KING having the opportunity to confront WILLIAMS in person. Although LEVISON agreed to abide by KING's position, he instructed ABERNATHY to relate to WILLIAMS that he wanted his title taken away or to dismiss him. LEVISON wanted to get across to WILLIAMS just how much he was upset over his conduct.

LEVISON reportedly commented that due to WILLIAMS' impulsiveness, the SCLC is always being embarrassed by some statement he makes off the top of his head. KING agreed with LEVISON and said WILLIAMS alienates many people wherever he goes, and then looks for someone to blame for his own shortcomings.

It was agreed that with reference to the WILLIAMS statement, that YOUNG and ABERNATHY should issue some statement repudiating the article attributed to WILLIAMS. KING instructed YOUNG to tell WILLIAMS just how upset he was over his statement and that it could not be taken lightly.

KING, in digressing to another subject, said he was also upset over articles in magazines which inferred that his day was over and that he could no longer appeal to the people in the ghetto. It was his feeling that such articles contribute nothing positive. (U)

LEVISON felt that in regard to the SCLC's efforts in Chicago, that a proper interpretation should be explained to reporters covering the scene. The approach which WILLIAMS took, LEVISON commented, was from a defensive standpoint. In order to rebut WILLIAMS, LEVISON said reporters should be told that problems in the Northern cities are quite different from those the SCLC experienced in its Southern drives. (U)

NY T-3
January 19, 1967 (U)

On February 2, 1967, STANLEY LEVISON was in contact concerning a Ford Foundation grant to the SCLC with Dr. KENNETH CLARK, a professor at the City College of New York. The following is what transpired: (U)

LEVISON wanted to know if Dr. CLARK had heard anything new from the Ford Foundation. CLARK related that he recently spent time at the headquarters of the Ford Foundation, and had learned that the Foundation had positively decided to make the grant. In fact, CLARK commented that whether or not the Foundation acted before KING returned to the United States from Jamaica, there would be funds on which to operate the organization. LEVISON was very jubilant after hearing this, and said the SCLC Board would be very happy to hear the news. (U)

NY T-3
February 2, 1967 (U)

On February 7, 1967, STANLEY LEVISON conferred with THOMAS OFFENBERGER of the SCLC Public Relations Office. LEVISON took the opportunity to express his displeasure with

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an article which "The New York Times" carried on February 7, 1967, pointing out that the civil rights movement was dying all across the South, and concluded with a statement attributed to ANDREW YOUNG, the Executive Director of the SCLC, that contributions to the SCLC were down 40 percent from last year. u

LEVISON was very angry to read that YOUNG had let himself get into such an embarrassing situation. In fact, according to LEVISON, YOUNG was very inaccurate when he attributed the decline to a lack of contributions from Northern liberals. It was LEVISON's contention that contributions from the liberals were up, but contributions from Negroes were down, and maintained that this was due to a failure to organize fund raising among Negroes. However, the contributions from Negroes should increase, LEVISON opined, since appeal letters from the SCLC just went out. u

The next thing in the article which upset LEVISON, the source advised, was a statement that the NAACP and the Urban League were the only organizations still operating in the South, while the other direct action organizations had given up. In order to rebut that statement, LEVISON instructed OFFENBERGER to prepare a list of all the activities in which the SCLC is involved in the South. In preparing the list, LEVISON commented that he wanted it to show activity on the part of affiliates and local groups as a result of past activity. As an example of what he had in mind, LEVISON mentioned that YOUNG had told him about a farmers cooperative which an ALBERT TURNER recently organized in the South. LEVISON contended that in publicizing this type of activity, it would show that the direct action movement left these very important pools of support where the local people are carrying on. LEVISON suggested that OFFENBERGER prepare an article incorporating the information about their activities, then he, LEVISON, would try to get it printed in "The New York Times" magazine section. LEVISON felt that if such an article were published, it would refute the statements contained in "The New York Times" article. u

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LEVISON inquired of OFFENBERGER as to how many people the SCLC has in the South. OFFENBERGER was of the opinion that about 50 people are actually considered as SCLC workers, including the field secretaries. Most of these, according to OFFENBERGER, are in Grenada and Wilcox Counties, Alabama, where they work in the poverty program.

According to OFFENBERGER, HOSEA WILLIAMS, Special Projects Director of the SCLC, has just returned south from Chicago, Illinois, and has brought an additional fifteen SCLC workers with him. These people will be deployed in new ventures which the SCLC will undertake, OFFENBERGER remarked. These people have been made possible, since, in OFFENBERGER's opinion, the SCLC has just about pulled out of the political sphere in Chicago.

LEVISON closed the conference by imploring OFFENBERGER to complete the list of activities as soon as possible, since he wanted to try to answer the article before some other papers decided to write in a similar vein.

NY T-3
February 7, 1967

On February 15, 1967, MARTIN LUTHER KING and STANLEY LEVISON were in contact. Their contact, the source said, was in regard to KING's new book.

First of all, LEVISON told KING that he had practically finished the chapter entitled "Where Do We Go From Here?" and would soon make it available for KING's recommendations and comments. He also promised to furnish the first two chapters of the book to KING.

KING solicited LEVISON's advice on other material which he should incorporate in the new book. LEVISON recommended that KING use some of the statements made by the late Prime Minister GANDHI of India, and some of the decisions rendered by the United States Supreme Court during 1954.

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LEVISON, in digressing to another matter which concerned KING and his organization, the SCLC, said $20,000.00 came in last Friday, February 10, 1967, and $6,000.00 on February 15, 1967. It was LEVISON's opinion that contributions would increase in the future. u

NY T-3
February 15, 1967 X(4)

On February 8, 1967, STANLEY LEVISON and DORA MC DONALD, the Secretary to MARTIN LUTHER KING, were in contact. Their contact, according to what the source was able to ascertain, concerned the following: u

MC DONALD told LEVISON that KING wanted LEVISON to contact BAYARD RUSTIN to see if he would write his speech, which he, KING, is scheduled to give in Los Angeles, California, on February 25, 1967, before an affair being sponsored by "The Nation". KING, according to MC DONALD, wants to make a strong statement on Viet Nam. LEVISON did not think RUSTIN should be entrusted with the task since, in LEVISON's opinion, RUSTIN is very weak on the subject of Viet Nam. Instead of RUSTIN writing the speech for KING, LEVISON felt that TOM OFFENBERGER, of the Public Relations Department of the SCLC, should write the speech. u

As a guide in preparing the speech, LEVISON told MC DONALD to have OFFENBERGER use the transcript of the RIBICOFF Committee hearing of December 15, 1966, during which KING testified on urban affairs. It was during his testimony that KING had some strong remarks concerning the involvement of the United States in the Viet Nam war. u

NY T-3
February 8, 1967 X(4)

On February 8, 1967, CLARENCE JONES and STANLEY LEVISON were in contact concerning MARTIN LUTHER KING's trip to California later during the month. JONES wanted to advise that KING could pick up approximately $10,000.00

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for the SCLC if he would be willing to go to a little extra trouble. In explaining, JONES said he recently talked with AL CANNON of California, who mentioned that many people are expecting KING in California, including former Governor BROWN. These people, according to JONES, desire KING to dine with Governor and Mrs. BROWN, and then make a brief speech after dinner. It was JONES' belief that many of those who attend the dinner would be very wealthy individuals. It was LEVISON's feeling that KING would not be able to make the dinner, but could possibly make it for cocktails about 9:00 p.m. Anyway, LEVISON told JONES to relay the information to DORA MC DONALD, who in turn could find out from KING if he can make it. u

NY T-3
February 8, 1967

On February 18, 1967, MARTIN LUTHER KING, STANLEY LEVISON, ANDREW YOUNG and CLEVELAND ROBINSON, Secretary-Treasurer of District 65, Retail, Wholesale and Department Store Union, AFL-CIO, were in conference concerning the role of MARTIN LUTHER KING and the peace movement. u

KING is desirous of taking a firm stand against the war in Viet Nam and of becoming a leader in the peace movement, which is currently attracting the support of students and "white liberals". He is, however, apprehensive of losing a forthcoming Ford Foundation grant if the SCLC becomes involved with a radical group. JAMES BEVEL, Chicago SCLC leader, who is now leading a peace committee, has been pressing KING for support in this matter, but KING intends to stall him until March 6, 1967, when KING will attend a research committee meeting, concerning this problem, in New York City. u

YOUNG and ROBINSON favor overt action in this matter, viewing it as a moral problem requiring leadership of the masses. ROBINSON wants KING to contact ministers

and lead a grass roots peace movement. YOUNG favors influencing WALTER REUTHER of the AFL-CIO to join the peace movement. After REUTHER joins the movement, YOUNG advocates that KING approach President LYNDON B. JOHNSON and advise President JOHNSON that KING will no longer be associated with the administration and that he is going to fight against military service and for the peace movement. The coalition of labor and civil rights, in YOUNG's opinion, would force an administration capitulation. u

LEVISON is skeptical of overt action in this area. He feels the most effective stand for KING is as the leader of the civil rights movement. KING, from this position, could attract support from the peace movement and exercise his influence through such individuals as Senators JACOB JAVITS, ROBERT KENNEDY, and WILLIAM FULBRIGHT. LEVISON also advocates persuading WALTER REUTHER to join the peace movement through his brother, VICTOR REUTHER. u

NY T-3
February 18, 1967 X(u)

On February 20, 1967, KING, LEVISON, JOAN DAVES, a publisher's representative in New York City who handles the books which KING writes, and HERMINE POPPER, who is editing KING's new book, were in conference. u

POPPER is of the opinion that the chapters in the book written by KING and the chapters written by LEVISON are excellent, however, they are obviously written by two different people with two different points of view. She finds an inconsistency in the handling of such subjects as White America, middle class Negroes, white liberals and Negroes' abilities in the economic sphere. She feels that these inconsistencies destroy the book's unity. u

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KING and LEVISON disagree with her and feel that any differences are inconsequential and that no serious inconsistencies exist. LEVISON maintains that he knows exactly what KING is thinking and adapts his thinking to KING. LEVISON feels that any inconsistencies are due to poor formulation and not to a difference of thought or approach. Both LEVISON and KING will reread their first drafts and submit minor corrections, but no major changes are anticipated. (u)

NY T-3
February 20, 1967

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On February 27, 1967, MARTIN LUTHER KING and STANLEY LEVISON were in contact. Their principal purpose in conferring was to talk about a speech KING had made in Beverly Hills, California, on Saturday, February 25, 1967, during which time he urged the withdrawal of American troops from Viet Nam. (u)

LEVISON, in apprising KING that his speech received front page coverage in Sunday's issue of "The New York Times", felt that no longer could it be said by the American people that KING did not have the right to speak on Viet Nam. In fact, according to LEVISON, KING's appearance on a panel with four United States Senators, was the proper place for him to express his anti-war sentiments. Furthermore, he felt that KING's voice was much more influential when in the company of such prominent people as the four Senators. (u)

NY T-3
February 27, 1967

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On March 6, 1967, a meeting of the Research Committee of the SCLC was held in the Law Office of HARRY WACHTEL, 598 Madison Avenue, New York, New York. This meeting was attended by WACHTEL, STANLEY LEVISON, MARTIN LUTHER KING, BAYARD RUSTIN, JAMES BEVEL, Doctor LAWRENCE REDDICK, and others. The Research Committee

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concerned itself with MARTIN LUTHER KING's involvement in the protest against the war in Viet Nam and particularly a march scheduled for April 15, 1967, in New York City, being coordinated by JAMES BEVEL. No final decision was reached at this meeting.

NY T-3
March 6, 1967

LAWRENCE REDDICK

This source advised he knew LAWRENCE REDDICK to be a concealed member of the CP.

NY T-12
July 5, 1950

On February 5 and 11, 1954, LAWRENCE DUNBAR REDDICK was interviewed by Special Agents of the FBI in Atlanta, Georgia. He, at that time, stated that he was not, and had never been, a member of , or sympathizer with, the CP.

A confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that on January 18, 1964, Dr. LAWRENCE REDDICK visited with BENJAMIN J. DAVIS at the home of JACOB GREEN, State Chairman of the CP in Maryland. During conversation between REDDICK and DAVIS, it was mentioned that they had attended school together in Georgia, and REDDICK commented that if he had stayed with DAVIS, he would have also joined the CP.

NY T-9
January, 1964

On March 7, 1967, LEVISON and ADELE KANTER, the Director of the SCLC Office in New York City, New York, had reason to be in contact on that date. During their contact, LEVISON apprised KANTER of the meeting of the SCLC to be held in Atlanta, Georgia, on March 9-10, 1967, the purpose of which will be to discuss a profound reorganization of the SCLC. Those who will attend will be members of the Executive Committee and the Executive Staff. 4

In assuring KANTER that her status with the SCLC will not change, LEVISON mentioned that KING had come to a realization that a reorganization must be made. KING, according to LEVISON, has watched one project after another run into a stone wall, like HOSEA WILLIAMS in Chicago and others. KING has come to a conclusion that his people should not make decisions on their own. 4

NY T-3
March 7, 1967 X(4)

On March 7, 1967, MARTIN LUTHER KING and STANLEY LEVISON were in contact. Among the items of business discussed by them was KING's attendance at a fund raising dinner in New York several days ago. The dinner was attended by about twenty people, and the SCLC derived approximately $17,000.00 and pledges for another $35,000.00 to be paid over a period of three years. One of those who pledged $15,000.00 of the $35,000.00 was Mr. ENGLEHARD, the owner of Englehard Industries. 4

KING was cautioned by LEVISON against getting involved with ENGLEHARD, since he owns extensive holdings in South Africa and Rhodesia, therefore, he could be using the SCLC to get the curse off his back. LEVISON will do some checking on his own before giving KING approval to deal with ENGLEHARD. 4

The affair which KING attended was held in the home of a Mr. BURDEN, who is reportedly the son of the principal stockholder in the Columbia Broadcasting System. After hearing that, LEVISON was of the opinion that BURDEN should be contacted periodically in order to keep up the contact. It was KING's belief that the Executive Director of the SCLC should make such contact; however, according to KING, he is trying to fill the post in view of the fact that ANDREW YOUNG is always out of town on business.

NY T-3
March 7, 1967

APPENDIX

1.

EMERGENCY CIVIL LIBERTIES COMMITTEE

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 Emergency Civil Liberties Committee:

"Emergency Civil Liberties Committee

"1. 'The Emergency Civil Liberties Committee is an organization with headquarters in New York, whose avowed purpose is to abolish the House Committee on Un-American Activities and discredit the FBI. * * * The committee finds that the Emergency Civil Liberties Committee, established in 1951, although representing itself as a non-Communist group, actually operates as a front for the Communist Party. It has repeatedly assisted, by means of funds and legal aid, Communists involved in Smith Act violations and similar legal proceedings. One of its chief activities has been and still is the dissemination of voluminous Communist propaganda material.'

'FRANK WILKINSON was called as a witness when he appeared in Atlanta as a representative of the Emergency Civil Liberties Committee to propagandize against the Committee on Un-American Activities and to protest its hearings. In 1956 WILKINSON was identified as a Communist Party member by a former FBI undercover agent within the Party. Summoned at that time to answer the allegation, his reply to all questions was, "I am answering no questions of this committee." This also became his stock reply to questions when he appeared during the Atlanta hearings. * * * WILKINSON has since been convicted of contempt of Congress and sentenced to one year in jail.

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APPENDIX

2.

EMERGENCY CIVIL LIBERTIES COMMITTEE (CONT'D)

'Disputing the non-Communist claim of the organization, the committee finds that a number of other individuals connected with the ECLC also have been identified under oath as Communists. * * *'
(Committee on Un-American Activities, Annual Report for 1958, House Report 187, March 9, 1959, pp. 34 and 35.)

'To defend the cases of Communist law-breakers, 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 * * * Emergency Civil Liberties Committee. When the Communist Party itself is under fire these fronts offer a bulwark of protection.'
(Internal Security Subcommittee of the Senate Judiciary Committee, Handbook for Americans, S. Doc. 117, April 23, 1956, p. 91.)"

APPENDIX

1.

FREEDOMWAYS ASSOCIATES, INC.

The records of the New York State Secretary of State, Albany, New York, show that the Certificate of Incorporation of Freedomways Associates, Inc., was filed on March 2, 1961.

On May 24, 1961, a source advised that a report was given on "Freedomways" at a meeting of the National Board, Communist Party, U.S.A. (CPUSA), held on May 24, 1961. It was stated that the central purpose of "Freedomways" is to develop a theory and positive criticism of currents in the Negro Movement, as well as to raise the level of understanding and discussion taking place in Negro life today and to project a socialist and pro-Soviet orientation. [C] U

On May 25, 1961, a second source advised that "Freedomways" was set up for the CPUSA by JAMES JACKSON. [C] U

The Second Quarter, 1966, issue of "Freedomways," self-described as "A Quarterly Review of the Negro Freedom Movement" published by Freedomways Associates, Incorporated, 799 Broadway, New York City, lists the following as its editorial staff:

JOHN HENRIK CLARKE, Associate Editor
ESTHER JACKSON, Managing Editor
J. H. O'DELL, Associate Managing Editor
JOHN L. DEVINE, Art Editor

A third source made available information on July 1, 1964, indicating that JOHN HENRIK CLARKE attended the first and founding meeting of the American Institute for Marxist Studies (AIMS) which was held on December 19, 1963, and continued on January 10, 1964.

This source also made available information on August 14, 1964, indicating that CLARKE is an "Associate" of AIMS.

On March 16, 1966, a fourth source advised that JAMES JACKSON, accompanied by his wife, ESTHER JACKSON, was scheduled to depart on March 25, 1966, from the United States en route to Moscow to attend the 23rd Congress of the CP of the Soviet Union. This source described JAMES JACKSON

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FREEDOMWAYS ASSOCIATES, INC. (CONT'D)

as a member of the National Committee, CPUSA.

This source advised in July, 1962, that as of that period, O'DELL was considered by the CPUSA, as being a member of its National Committee.

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On January 30, 1961 [redacted], advised [redacted] JACK DEVINE, mentioned on December 17, 1960, that he was still in the CP and that the CP is his whole life.

On July 24, 1963, a fifth source described JOHN DEVINE as a CP member.

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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 related 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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NY THREE EIGHT ONE ZERO - S ASTERICK ADVISED FOUR ELEVEN SIXTY SEVEN LEVISON AND DORA MC DONALD, SECRETARY TO KING, IN CONFERENCE FOUR ELEVEN SIXTY SEVEN, DURING WHICH TIME LIVISON APPRSISED HER OF STATEMENT HE HAD PREPARED FOR KING'S USE DURING PRESS CONFERENCE IN LA INSTANT DATE. LEVISON'S STATEMENT WAS IN SUBSTANCE AS FOLLOWS;

KING WILL STATE HE HAS LIVED IN GHETTO IN CHICAGO AT ATLANTA AND HAS TRAVELLED THOUSANDS OF MILES EACH MONTH, WHICH HAS TAKEN HIM INTO NEGRO COMMUNITIES ACROSS THE NATION; THAT HIS DIRECT PERSONAL EXPERIENCE WITH NEGROES IN ALL WALKS OF LIFE CONVINCES HIM THAT THE MAJORITY OPPOSE THE WAR IN VIETNAM. THEIR OPPISION, KING WILL SAY, IS BASED ON TWO REASONS; THEY ARE AGAINST WAR ITSELF AND SECOND,

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THEY FEEL IT HAS CAUSED SIGNIFICANT AND ALARMING DIMINISHING CONCERN TO CIVIL RIGHTS PROGRESS. HE WILL ATTRIBUTE HIS RECENT OPPOSITION TO THE WAR TO MANY REQUESTS FROM NEGROES THAT HE ARTICULATE THEIR CONCERN AND FRUSTRATION. THEY FEEL, KING WILL SAY, THAT CIVIL RIGHTS IS WELL ON ITS WAY TO BECOMING A NEGLECTED AND FORGOTTEN ISSUE LONG BEFORE IT IS EVEN PARTIALLY SOLVED. 4

WITH REGARD TO CRITICISM FROM THE NAACP, KING WILL SAY THE ALLEGATION THAT HE ADVOCATED THE FUSION OF CIVIL RIGHTS AND THE PEACE MOVEMENT WAS UNTRUE; THAT HE AND THE SCLC HAVE EXPRESSED THEIR VIEWS ON THE WAR AND DRAWN ATTENTION TO ITS DAMAGING EFFECTS ON CIVIL RIGHTS PROGRAMS, BUT DID NOT WANT A MERGER OR FUSION OF MOVEMENTS. HOWEVER, KING WILL SAY THE WAR IS HAMPERING THE CIVIL RIGHTS PROGRAM THEREFORE CANNOT BE IGNORED AS A FACTOR. THE BASIC ELEMENTS IN COMMON BETWEEN TH PEACE MOVEMENT AND CIVIL MOVEMENTS ARE HUMAN ELEMENTS. 4

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THE STATEMENT PREPARED BY LEVISON FOR KING'S USE WILL CONCLUDE BY STATING THAT KING DOES NOT BELIEVE THE NATION CAN BE A MORAL LEADER OF JUSTICE, EQUALITY AND DEMOCRACY IF IT IS TRAPPED IN THE ROLE OF A SELF APPOINTED WORLD POLICEMAN. HE WILL STATE HIS DETERMINATION TO EXPRESS HIS OPPOSITION TO THIS WRONG WITHOUT IN ANY WAY DIMINISHING HIS ROLE IN CIVIL RIGHTS.

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Chicago is following and pertinent developments concerning captioned matters will be appropriately provided the Bureau and any interested offices.

Concerning CARL VANKAST referred to herein, Chicago indices reflect he is apparently identical to CARL VAN KAST, a white male, residence [redacted] Chicago, Ill. VAN KAST is adult literary instructor at Chicago Teachers College North, 5500 North St. Louis and in November, 1966 was working in behalf of the CFM in connection with realty testing program to check compliance with the provisions of the August, 1966, summit agreement ending the open housing marches. There are no subversive references to VAN KAST. b6 b7C

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On April 7, 1967, a confidential source who has furnished reliable information in the past advised as follows:

Martin Luther King, Jr., President, SCLC, was in Chicago as of April 7, 1967, however the exact time and nature of his arrival was not known. Over the period April 7-9, 1967, the SCLC in Chicago had scheduled a retreat - conference to be held at Pleasant Valley Farm, Woodstock, Illinois, and King's presence here was primarily due to this pre-arranged affair. It is understood that King has a minimum of public appearances scheduled while in Chicago, however is to appear at the Fellowship Memorial Baptist Church, 45th and Princeton Avenues, on the morning of April 9, 1967. No definite information is available concerning Kings' departure plans from Chicago. It is

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believed however, that he will most likely depart on Sunday afternoon or evening, April 9, 1967.

The SCLC retreat referred to previously was to have been attended by representatives of the various Chicago civil rights groups cooperating with the SCLC, for the purpose of general discussion of future plans for local civil rights activities for the coming summer months. As of early April 7, 1967, it was understood that this retreat had been postponed to allow King and the local SCLC staff to concentrate on plans for SCLC participation in the Anti-Vietnam demonstrations to be held in New York City, New York, over the weekend of April 15, 1967, these demonstrations understood to be under the auspices of the Student Mobilization Committee (SMC). Although plans were not at this time finalized, it was anticipated that bus loads of local participants for this demonstration will be organized and support for such will be mobilized in the coming days, with most local SCLC staff members also to be in New York to participate in this demonstration.

On April 10, 1967, this source advised that the local SCLC staff had spent the entire day of April 7, 1967, in conference with Dr. King and Reverend Andrew Young, Executive Director, SCLC, both of whom were then in Chicago. Reports were made to King and Young concerning the current status of local conditions as they affect the Negro communities in various parts of the city, in relationship to issues such as urban renewal, open housing, police brutality, and the like. No decisions as to future activities were forthcoming on this occasion. It is understood that these reports are to be utilized by King and Young in a meeting which is to take place in New York City on April 13, 1967, with representatives of the executive staffs of the Congress of Racial Equality (CORE) and the Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee (SNCC), in briefing these representatives on current conditions in Chicago. This meeting was to have as one of its purposes

the effort to get both CORE and SNCC to lend all their facilities, including manpower, to assist the SCLC directed CFM during the coming months. This meeting is to take place at the Americana Hotel in New York City and among those who are to be present are John Lewis, former SNCC Executive Secretary and Floyd Mc Kissick of CORE.

The source continued that most of the Chicago SCLC staff will be in New York City as of the middle of the coming week, to attend this conference and be participants as well in the April 15, 1967 Anti-Vietnam demonstrations. SCLC will endeavor also to organize local participants for the New York demonstration and has chartered at least one Greyhound bus for transportation to New York for those who decide to participate. All efforts of the local SCLC are to be concentrated in the next few days in developing support for participation in this demonstration.

Reference is made to Chicago memorandum of March 10, 1967, which reflected that Meridith Gilbert of the Lawndale Union to End Slums (LUES) a part of the CFM, and an SCLC staff worker, was subject of eviction proceedings by the landlord 3491 North Elston Avenue, Chicago, which is an all white neighborhood into which Gilbert had moved, on March 1, 1967.

The "Chicago Tribune" a daily newspaper in Chicago, edition of March 30, 1967, reflected that on March 29, 1967, Judge Charles Horan, Housing Court, Chicago, had ordered Gilbert to move from 3491 North Elston within 10 days. Judge Horan found Gilbert to have originally rented this apartment under subterfuge in that a white male, identified as Carl Van Kast, had rented this apartment using Gilbert's name. Gilbert had been released on bond but was to appear in Felony Court, Chicago, April 6, 1967 under another complaint of the landlord concerning damage to the property at 3491 North Elston.

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The "Chicago Sun-Times", a daily Chicago newspaper, edition of April 7, 1967, reflects that on April 6, 1967, Gilbert had appeared in Felony Court, Chicago, and was fined $30Q00 for breaking into the apartment at 3491 North Elston, March 3, 1967. Gilbert refused to pay this fine and was remanded to Cook County Jail, Chicago, to work off this fine at $5.00 a day.

In connection with this matter, the above source, on April 7, 1967, advised members of the local SCLC staff felt that demonstrations should be organized around Gilbert's incarceration, but primarily because of the staff's concentration on Anti-Vietnam war matters, it did not appear that any demonstrations would take place, if at all for at least a week or ten days.

Referenced memorandum of March 10, 1967, also reflected that Fred Gilbert, brother of Meredith Gilbert, also affiliated with LUES, was to move into an apartment in an all white northside neighborhood at 4734 North Drake Street. The above source advised on April 7, 1967 that Fred Gilbert has abandoned these plans and no longer intends to initiate such move in since the rental for this apartment was handled in the same fashion as that for Meredith Gilbert. The feeling was that such move in would in all probability merely cause a court ordered eviction. 24

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For your information, William Schulthess Stein was born 9/23/20 at Provo, Utah. He is currently employed by the Southern Christian Leadership Conference in a fund raising capacity. He is not the subject of an active investigation.

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Re New York teletype, dated 4/13/67, concerning conference between MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., STANLEY LEVISON, HARRY WACHTEL, HARRY BELAFONTE, CLEVELAND ROBINSON and ANDREW YOUNG.

Enclosed are eleven copies of an LHM incorporating information in referenced communication. Two copies are enclosed for the Atlanta Office. NY 3810-S* is the source of the information.

NY 694-S* was the source of the information in the characterization of STANLEY LEVISON and HARRY BELAFONTE.

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Communist Influence in Racial Matters
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On April 12, 1967, a confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that Martin Luther King, Jr., President of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), was in conference on that date with the following individuals: Harry Belafonte, prominent entertainer; Harry Wachtel and Stanley Levison, New York advisors to King; Andrew Young, Executive Assistant to King, and Cleveland Robinson, Secretary-Treasurer of Local 65 of the Wholesale - Retail Store Workers of America. The following is a resume of what transpired:

King prefaced his remarks by commenting that a campaign is underway to undermine his leadership in Negro communities because of his stand on Vietnam. King had in mind the criticism of Dr. Ralph Bunche, United States Representative to the United Nations, who reported to the press on April 12, 1967, that King should not try to lead both the civil rights movement and the crusade against the war.

Andrew Young reported that Bunche had agreed to meet with Dr. Benjamin Spock and King following Saturday's (March 15, 1967) march at the United Nations.

With regard to the criticism from Bunche, Belafonte remarked Bunche had never made a contribution to the civil rights struggle. As to the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People's (NAACP's) criticism of King, Belafonte said Roy Wilkins of the NAACP recently received an award from Secretary of State Dean Rusk, which accounts for the fact that they are in agreement.

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Levison commented he was not in agreement that Saturday's event is the answer for King. It was his belief that the press will handle the event in the same manner as they handled other Negro reactions, but Levison said that Saturday would not be King's only chance to speak. It was his belief that Saturday's demonstration will be composed of ninety per cent white people, and therefore, King's advisors must insure Negro community support for King. Levison urged that a newspaper advertisement be run following Saturday's demonstration asking whether King can be active in the peace fight. SW

Contrary to the opinions of his advisors, King thought Saturday would be most important since it will be the largest peace demonstration in the country. Wachtel agreed, but cautioned King not to rely on Saturday's demonstration as his opportunity to oppose the war, since many people will not respond due to the "red baiting atmosphere". SW (S)

King, in trying to suggest ways to bring about harmony among Negroes, said he would try to meet with A. Philip Randolph, President of the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters, and other Negro leaders to explain his position. He reiterated his belief that the criticism of him is an effort to get him and to undermine him, and offered proof of this by pointing to criticisms of him whereas no Negroes will attack Congressman Adam Clayton Powell. SW

Wachtel, in agreeding with King's conclusion, said that they may even pull "J. Edgar Hoover's old stuff" out of the bottom of the bag. SW

The conference ended with an agreement to meet again on Saturday night, April 15, 1967, at Belafonte's house, and that King should confer with Dr. Bunche and A. Philip Randolph. SW

Following the aforementioned conference, King and Levison conferred privately since King wanted Levison's observations free from the others. In order to insure success on Saturday, Levison suggested having spots on the radio and will confer with Robinson about it. Levison cautioned against having these radio spots appeal to Negroes to follow King on Saturday because most Negroes do not want to become identified with this demonstration. SU

King's speech, to be delivered at the United Nations on Saturday, April 15, 1967, was discussed, particularly the length of it. Levison advised King to cut out the parts dealing with history, defense and the United Nations. King agreed and asked Levison to prepare a paragraph stating that even though many people feel the United States should unilaterally withdraw from Vietnam and that no damage would be done to the United States' position and would, in fact, heighten prestige, King has concluded it will not be done, so his concern must be to bring the war to an end. SU

Levison advised King to retain the part in the speech that fifteen million Americans oppose the war in addition to those who are half-hearted about United States involvement. SU

In trying to arrive at a decision as to what course King should follow after Saturday, Levison advised him to unite with people who have been isolated following their criticism of the United States, so he would be aligned with those who have power and who make a difference rather than be aligned with a fringe element as he is now. SU

According to the source, Levison feels that King's peace position is so far advanced that it has isolated him the same way Paul Robeson's pro-Soviet position isolated him. SU

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Communist Influence in Racial Matters

According to Jean Smith, a secretary at Communist Party Headquarters, New York City, Harry Belafonte had been a member of the Young Communist League (YCL) before coming into prominence as an entertainer.

The YCL has been designated pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

In June, 1950, a confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised he knew Paul Robeson to have been a concealed Communist Party member prior to 1945.

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A confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised in April, 1964, that Stanley Levison was a secret member of the Communist Party, United States of America (CP, USA) in July, 1963. In late 1963 and early 1964, he criticized the CP for not being sufficiently militant in the civil rights struggle. Levison was described by certain CP leaders as being to the "left" of the CP in his position on civil rights. His differences with the CP, however, are merely tactical and he continues his ideological adherence to Communism.

Harry Wachtel is the Executive Vice President of the Gandhi Society for Human Rights, New York, New York.

A confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, furnished information in December, 1949, that Harry H. Wachtel, 41 Broad Street, New York, New York, was on a list of individuals carried as active members of the National Lawyers Guild. (U)

A characterization of the National Lawyers Guild is attached hereto.

On March 5, 1944, another confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, furnished information which revealed that the name Harry Wachtel was on a list of names, significance not known, which was maintained at the Headquarters of the Kings County Communist Party (CP) at 26 Court Street, Brooklyn, New York. (U)

Regarding Harry Wachtel's wife, Leonora, it is noted that the same confidential source furnished information on March 5, 1944, which revealed that her name and address were on a list of names of newly elected officers of the Bath Beach Club of the Kings County CP. (U)

With respect to the Gandhi Society for Human Rights, it is to be noted that this organization is an adjunct of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), of which Martin Luther King, Jr. is the president, and serves to raise funds for the SCLC.

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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.)

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"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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Martin Luther King's anti-Vietnam war speech in New York City 4/4/67, which set forth five points leading to a negotiated settlement in Vietnam, received widespread news coverage, virtually all adverse. King's speech has been disseminated to the White House.

Information in the attached will be furnished to the White House, the Department and the military intelligence agencies.

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Communist Infiltration of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC)
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On April 11, 1967, a confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that information had come to his attention which disclosed that Stanley Levison and Dora McDonald, personal secretary to Martin Luther King, the President of the SCLC, were in contact on that date concerning a statement King was to make on April 12, 1967, in Los Angeles, California.

The statement King would make, according to the source, would try to explain his position on the Vietnam War in order to counter the adverse criticism he is receiving.

The following is in substance the contents of a statement Levison gave to McDonald for transmission to King to be used by him:

King was to state that he had lived in ghettos in Chicago and Atlanta, and had travelled thousands of miles each month, which had taken him into Negro communities across the nation; that his direct personal experience with Negroes in all walks of life convinced him that the majority opposed the war in Vietnam. Their opposition, King would say, is based on two reasons: they are against the war itself and they feel it has caused significant and alarming diminishing concern to civil rights progress.

In the speech prepared by Levison, King was to attribute his recent opposition to the war to many requests from Negroes that he articulate their concern and frustration. They (Negroes) feel, King was to say, that

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civil rights is well on its way to becoming a neglected and forgotten issue long before it is even partially solved.

With regard to the criticism King had received from the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP), the statement prepared by Levison would have King state that it was untrue that he advocated the fusion of civil rights and the peace movement; that he and the SCLC had expressed their views on the war and had drawn attention to its damaging effects on civil rights programs, but do not want a merger or fusion of movements.

The statement commented that the war is hampering the civil rights program, therefore, could not be ignored as a factor. The basic elements in common between the peace movement and the civil rights movement are human elements, Levison's statement observed.

In conclusion, the statement, as prepared by Levison, noted that King did not believe the nation could be a moral leader of justice, equality and democracy if it became trapped in the role of a self-appointed world policeman; and that he would reiterate his determination to express his opposition to this wrong without in any way diminishing his civil rights role.

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MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

The following information has been supplied by confidential sources of this Bureau who have furnished reliable information in the past.

On April 13, 1967, Martin Luther King, Jr., President, Southern Christian Leadership Conference, was in contact with his top advisor, Stanley Levison. King informed Levison he had been in contact with Dr. Ralph Bunche concerning Bunche's criticism of King. According to King, Bunche stated, "Martin, I want you to know I agree with everything you are saying about Vietnam. I am absolutely opposed to the Government's policy." Bunche agreed to meet with King and Dr. Benjamin Spock following the peace demonstration at the United Nations on April 15, 1967.

According to a news release dated April 13, 1967, Bunche took note of Dr. King's denial of intention to join the civil rights movement with the peace movement. Bunche stated publicly that this "takes care of the issue to which my critical statement had been directed."

Levison then advised King of the progress he was making writing King's speech to be delivered at the peace rally at the United Nations on April 15, 1967. King enthusiastically accepted excerpts that Levison read to him. King particularly liked the part indicating that the United States should unilaterally withdraw from Vietnam. King also liked the part where he will appeal to the country to "demand insistently that our Government honor Hanoi's promise to negotiate if bombings cease."

In a discussion as to how to get Negroes to support King's stand on Vietnam, it was suggested having radio spot announcements. Levison cautioned against having radio spot announcements programmed to Negroes because most Negroes do not want to become identified with this peace demonstration.

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King and Levison were joined in their conference by Harry Wachtel, a New York attorney; Harry Belafonte, a nationally known singer; and Andrew Young, Executive Director, Southern Christian Leadership Conference. This group discussed King's speech to be delivered at the peace demonstration on April 15, 1967. They discussed ways in which additional support can be obtained concerning King's views on Vietnam. It was agreed that newspaper advertisements should be run as well as radio spot announcements purchased in an effort to gain support for King's anti-Vietnam position. King advised that he would appear on the National Broadcasting Company's nationwide program entitled "Face the Nation" on April 16, 1967.

Another source advised in April, 1964, that Stanley Levison was a secret member of the Communist Party, USA, in July, 1963. In late 1963 and early 1964, he criticized the Communist Party for not being sufficiently militant in the civil rights struggle. Levison was described by certain Communist Party leaders as being to the "left" of the Communist Party in his position on civil rights. His differences with the Communist Party, however, are merely tactical and he continues his ideological adherence to communism. Stanley Levison is the owner and operator of the Park Management Realty Company, 1841 Broadway, New York, New York.

Another source advised as of October 28, 1958, according to Jean Smith, Secretary at Communist Party Headquarters, New York City, Harry Belafonte had been a member of the Young Communist League before coming into prominence as an entertainer.

The Young Communist League has been designated by the United States Attorney General pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

Harry Wachtel is a former member of the National Lawyers Guild, an organization which has been designated as a communist front by the Committee on Un-American Activities, United States House of Representatives. Wachtel is a partner in the law firm of Rubin, Wachtel, Baum, and Levine, 588 Madison Avenue, New York, New York.

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

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NOTE:

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See memorandum C. D. Brennan to W. C. Sullivan, 4/14/67, captioned as above, prepared by DMW:dsm.

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MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

Attached for approval for dissemination are copies of a letterhead memorandum containing the following:

NY 3310-S* advised on April 13, 1967, that Martin Luther King, Jr., President, Southern Christian Leadership Conference, was in contact with his top advisor, Stanley Levison, a former long-time secret Communist Party member. King advised Levison he had been in contact with Dr. Ralph Bunche concerning Bunche's criticism of King's stand on Vietnam. Bunche stated "I am absolutely opposed to our policy." Bunche agreed with King concerning King's stand on Vietnam. Bunche also agreed to meet with King and Dr. Benjamin Spock following the peace demonstration on April 15, 1967, at the United Nations. (S)

Levison advised King of the progress he was making writing King's speech to be delivered on April 15, 1967, at the peace rally to be held at the United Nations. King enthusiastically accepted excerpts from the speech that Levison read to him. King particularly liked the part urging the United States to unilaterally withdraw from Vietnam and demand that our Government stop bombing North Vietnam. (S)

When discussing how to gain support from Negroes concerning King's stand on Vietnam, Levison cautioned against radio spot announcements directed toward the Negro because most Negroes do not want to become identified with this peace demonstration. King and Levison were joined in their conference by Harry Wachtel, a New York attorney, Harry Belafonte, a nationally-known singer, and Andrew Young, Executive Director, Southern Christian Leadership Conference. This group discussed King's speech to be delivered at the peace rally on April 15, 1967. They agreed that newspaper ads and radio announcements should be run to gain support for King's stand concerning Vietnam. (S)

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Re: Martin Luther King, Jr.

The attacks on King were discussed and Wachtel advised that this criticism is an effort to get King. Wachtel stated that King's enemies may try to bring out the "old stuff" the FBI has concerning him. SU

RECOMMENDATION:

That the copies of the enclosures be forwarded by routing slips to Mrs. Mildred Stegall, the White House; the Honorable Dean Rusk, Secretary of State; the Honorable Robert McNamara, Secretary of Defense; the Attorney General; and Assistant Attorneys General Yeagley and Dear.

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MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

The following information has been supplied by confidential sources of this Bureau who have furnished reliable information in the past.

Stanley Levison and Harry Wachtel, advisors to Martin Luther King, Jr., President, Southern Christian Leadership Conference, were in conference recently. Wachtel thought the text of King's anti-Vietnam War speech delivered at Riverside Church, New York, New York, on April 4, 1967, was good and wanted it printed for distribution. Levison felt the speech was too advanced for many Negroes and that it did not have wide appeal. However, it was decided to issue a question and answer type pamphlet to the public entitled "Dr. King Speaks on the War in Vietnam." It was also agreed that a full-page advertisement would be run in "The New York Times" on April 16, 1967, defending King's stand on Vietnam.

Later, Martin Luther King, Jr., joined these two individuals in this conference. At that time Wachtel and Levison urged King to contemplate seeking an audience with the Pope. Toward this end, Levison urged King to begin corresponding with the Pope.

Levison then advised King to state in his press conference in Los Angeles, California, on April 12, 1967, that the allegation by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People claiming King advocated the fusion of the civil rights and the peace movement was untrue.

King subsequently held a press conference in Los Angeles on April 12, 1967, and spoke out along the lines outlined for him by Levison.

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MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

Wachtel mentioned that King will meet with Rockefeller on April 22 or 24, 1967, to discuss King's position on Vietnam. The source advised he believed the Rockefeller referred to by Wachtel was Nelson Rockefeller, Governor, New York.

It should be noted that previously Levison mentioned to an associate that King will also disclose his views on South America to Rockefeller when they meet since King feels South America has the potential of becoming the next Vietnam.

Stanley Levison is a long-time communist whose secret membership in the Communist Party, USA, was established as of July, 1963. Harry Wachtel is a former member of the National Lawyers Guild, an organization which has been designated as a communist front by the Committee on Un-American Activities, United States House of Representatives.

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MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
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Attached for your approval for dissemination are copies of a letterhead memorandum containing the following:

NY-3810-S* advised that Stanley Levison, a long-time secret Communist Party member, and Harry Wachtel, who has a history of membership in a communist front, were in conference recently concerning Martin Luther King, Jr., President, Southern Christian Leadership Conference. They decided to take steps to gain support for King's stand on Vietnam by having a pamphlet printed and running a full-page ad in "The New York Times" on April 16, 1967.

When King joined the conference, Levison and Wachtel urged King to seek an audience with the Pope and to begin by corresponding with him.

Levison told King to deny he advocated a merger of civil rights and peace movement in his press conference in Los Angeles on 4/12/67.

King subsequently spoke out at this press conference along the lines outlined by Levison.

Wachtel remarked to Levison that King will meet with Rockefeller on April 22 or 24, 1967.

Source was of the opinion that Rockefeller referred to by Wachtel was Nelson Rockefeller, Governor, New York.

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RECOMMENDATION:

That the copies of the enclosures be forwarded by routing slips to Mrs. Mildred Stegall, The White House; The Honorable Dean Rusk, Secretary of State; the Honorable Richard Helms, the Central Intelligence Agency; the Attorney General; and Assistant Attorneys General Yeagley and Doar.

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RePHairtel to Bureau dated 4/5/67 entitled "Martin Luther King, Jr., SM-C."

All offices receiving copies of this communication are instructed to disregard Philadelphia leads set forth in above referenced airtel. You should not contact these established sources for this information. However, advise the Bureau if they volunteer any information, not having been contacted in this regard, pertaining to the Southern Christian Leadership Conference fund raising efforts.

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Philadelphia should submit a summary of information from the above referenced airtel in a form suitable for dissemination.

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NOTE: PH advised that one William S. Stein has contacted radio stations that are programed for Negroes in an effort to obtain one-half hour on Sunday to play King's sermons and civil rights statements. Stein is attempting to arrange a nationwide network on radio programing for King. PH set out leads for offices where Stein would be contacting radio stations and requested these offices to contact established sources to develop information in this regard. Because of the sensitive nature of this and the possibility of embarrassment to the Bureau, this airtel rescinds PH leads.

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MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
SECURITY MATTER - C

Attached for your approval is a letter to Mrs. Mildred Stegall at the White House.

As you recall, on April 10, 1967, we furnished the White House with a 15-page document which was a scathing indictment of Martin Luther King, Jr., President, Southern Christian Leadership Conference, clearly showing the communist influence he is operating under. That same day, the President left the United States for the Latin-American Conference. It is felt that perhaps with the press of business at that time, the President did not have the opportunity to read this document which depicted King as an instrument of subversive influences.

Attached is a letter to the White House enclosing a copy of King's most recent speech which he delivered on April 15, 1967, at a massive anti-war rally in New York City. This letter also summarizes the information contained in the 15-page document in an effort to get the President to read this document.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the attached letter and enclosure be forwarded to Mrs. Mildred Stegall at the White House.

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Enclosed for the Bureau is the original and eight copies, and for Louisville two, of LHM.

Source referred to is [redacted]

Sources used to characterize HUNTER PITTS O'DELL are NY 694-S* and NY 4171-S*. Source used to characterize HOSEA WILLIAMS is NY 4171-S*.

Source advised the meeting referred to in the enclosed LHM was a meeting of the SCLC Executive Staff held in Atlanta 4/10/67. Because he was suffering from a virus infection on this date MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., President, SCLC, did not attend this meeting.

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Source advised A. D. KING pointed out that approximately one half of his congregation and friends,

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while not opposed to the Open Housing Ordinance, were opposed to him participating in SCLC's activities in this regard. He gave no reason for this opposition.

Following A. D. KING's departure from the Staff meeting, ANDREW J. YOUNG, Executive Assistant to the President, SCLC, merely commented he felt there was no need in Louisville for additional SCLC personnel or older staff member as requested by A. D. KING. On this occasion, the matter was not discussed any further.

Informant advised A. D. KING, in addition to having a reputation of being an alcoholic, is considered by a number of SCLC personnel, particularly HOSEA WILLIAMS, to be closely aligned with the white power structure in Louisville. He is also considered to be ineffective because he allegedly does not commence his day's activities until past noon.

[redacted] advised he understood the following SCLC personnel were currently in Louisville: b7D

J. T. JOHNSON
HENRY BROWNLEE (aka "TRASH")
JOSEPH BOONE
EDDIE OSBURN
LESTER HANKERSON
WILLIE YOUNG
WINTERS KNOTT

As of the latter part of March 1967 SCLC decided to dispense with the services of a number of individuals including BOONE and KNOTT as of approximately the end of April 1967.

NO ACTION SHOULD BE PREDICATED UPON INFORMATION FURNISHED BY [redacted] WHICH MIGHT COMPROMISE HIS SECURITY. INFORMATION FURNISHED BY [redacted] MUST BE CLASSIFIED ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~. THE FOREGOING RESTRICTION AND CLASSIFICATION ARE JUSTIFIED [redacted]

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OPEN HOUSING ORDINANCE
LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY
RACIAL MATTERS

On April 13, 1967, a confidential source advised Reverend A. D. King from Louisville, Kentucky, brother of Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr., President, Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), recently met with several SCLC officers for the purpose of discussing SCLC's participation in activity in Louisville, seeking passage of an Open Housing Ordinance.

Reverend A. D. King complained that SCLC's activities in Louisville were not currently effective because SCLC representatives in that community operated independently, not only of him but of each other. He said he would be willing to work with SCLC in obtaining passage of the Open Housing Ordinance provided SCLC would send additional personnel to Louisville for this purpose and also send an older experienced SCLC staff member who would co-ordinate all activity with him.

Hosea Williams, Director of Voter Registration and Political Education, SCLC, endeavored to impress upon Reverend A. D. King that if he desired to be successful in obtaining passage of this ordinance it was necessary that effective U.S.

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demonstrations be conducted every day and every night in white neighborhoods. Williams said through these demonstrations pressure must be directed to the "Power Structure" in order that it will realize there is an effective Negro movement and that this movement wants passage of the Open Housing Ordinance.

Reverend A. D. King did not receive any firm commitment from the SCLC officers so far as furnishing him with additional personnel or an older experienced staff member.

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HUNTER PITTS O'DELL

In July, 1962, HUNTER PITTS O'DELL, also known as JACK H. O'DELL, was considered by the Communist Party, USA, as a member of its National Committee.

HUNTER PITTS O'DELL told EDWINA SMITH December 27, 1963, he would not go back to the Southern Christian Leadership Conference on the same basis because he is now a "left person" and if they cannot accept him the way he is then they will have to forget about him.

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HOSEA WILLIAMS

During October, 1964, a confidential source advised that on October 3, 1964, RUTH BAILEY, then an employee of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, (SCLC), Harlem, New York Office, while discussing several SCLC personalities with one CONNIE CAMPBELL, referred to WILLIAMS. BAILEY said WILLIAMS had mentioned to her (date not specified) that on a prior occasion (date not specified) HUNTER PITTS O'DELL had told him more about politics than he could read.

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Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-438794) DATE: 4/20/67

FROM : SAC, LOUISVILLE (157-90) (RUC)

SUBJECT: COMINFIL OF SCLC,
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Re Atlanta airtel dated 2/24/67.

Available information indicates that the individuals who would be in Louisville for the annual board meeting of the captioned organization on March 28-29, 1967, would stay at the Sherwyn Hotel, 415 West Walnut Street, Louisville, Kentucky. b6 b7C b7D

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On 4/7/67 [redacted] advised SA [redacted] that none of the above four individuals had stayed at the Sheraton or Sherwyn Hotels during the time captioned organization had its board meeting in Louisville.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-438794)

FROM: SAC, BOSTON (100-35629)

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On this date, [redacted] advised MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. will appear at Ford Hall Forum, Jordan Hall, Boston, Massachusetts at 7:45 p.m. on 4/23/67. Appearance verified through Forum. (U)

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-438794) DATE: 4/21/67

FROM : SAC, ST. LOUIS (105-4027) (RUC)

SUBJECT: COMINFIL - SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC)
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Re Chicago letter to Bureau 4/11/67.

A review on 4/19/67 of the personnel records, Federal Records Center, St. Louis, Missouri, by IC [redacted] indicated that [redacted] was employed on 8/19/54 as an [redacted] with the U. S. Treasury Department, Fiscal Service, Bureau of Accounts, Disbursement, Regional, at Chicago, Illinois, on an intermittent part-time basis. This employment was terminated on 9/8/54 in the same position by reason of resignation due to other commitments.

He was employed on 7/15/57 as a [redacted] with the U. S. Treasury Department, Internal Revenue Service, District Director - Chicago, Collection Division, Delinquent Accounts and Returns Branch, at Chicago, Ill. Effective 1/26/58 he was promoted to Revenue Officer. This employment was terminated on 9/2/60 as a [redacted] by reason of resignation.

> "I have decided to enter private industry. This will permit me to devote a larger share of my time towards the completion of my education! While I would prefer to have a one year leave without pay I fully understand the fiscal position of the Service which militates against such extended leaves. My association with the Internal Revenue Service has been both rewarding and enjoyable."

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He was employed on 7/17/61 as a [redacted] with the Department of Health, Education and Welfare, Social Security Administration, Bureau of Old Age and Survivors Insurance, Division

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of Claims Control, Payment Center, Claims Authorization Section, Claims Authorization Unit, at Chicago, Ill. This employment was terminated on 3/3/62 as a [redacted] by reason of transfer to Internal Revenue. b6 b7C

He was employed on 3/4/62 as a [redacted] with the U. S. Treasury Department, Internal Revenue Service, District Director, Chicago, Collection Division, Delinquent Accounts and Returns Branch, at Chicago, Ill. Effective 7/7/63 he was re-assigned as [redacted] Administrative Division, at Chicago, Ill. This employment was terminated on 8/14/65 as an [redacted] by reason of transfer to Federal Housing Administration.

He was employed on 8/15/65 as a [redacted] with the Federal Housing Administration, Operations Division, Title I Section, at Chicago, Ill. This employment was terminated on 11/18/66 as a [redacted] by reason of resignation to enter private industry.

The record contained a copy of a letter dated 1/12/65 addressed to [redacted] which is quoted, in part, as follows:

> "As you know, an investigation has been conducted as the result of an allegation that you had kept books for and discussed the 'ins and outs' on tax situations with a delinquent taxpayer acquaintance of yours.
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> "I am pleased to inform you that the investigation has been concluded and no evidence of misconduct has been found. The matter, therefore, is closed."

No further information regarding this letter was shown.

The following background and descriptive information was contained in the record: [redacted]

DOB
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Education

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MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

The following information has been supplied by confidential sources of this Bureau who have furnished reliable information in the past. S

On April 19, 1967, Stanley Levison and Harry Wachtel were in conference concerning the political future of Martin Luther King, Jr., President, Southern Christian Leadership Conference. Wachtel advised he had learned that the Women Strike for Peace group, a pacifist group, was meeting on April 19, 1967, to prepare a pamphlet announcing that King would run for President of the United States in 1968. His vice-presidential candidate would be Dr. Benjamin Spock. S

Wachtel was under the impression King had agreed to run and that there would be a meeting the weekend of April 22, 1967, to formulate plans for the campaign. S

Levison denied that King had agreed to run but stated that Dr. Spock wants this plan to materialize. Levison also advised Wachtel that King recently told Norman Thomas, perennial candidate for President on the Socialist Party ticket, he would not run for President. Levison admitted there will be a meeting on April 22, 1967, but it will be to discuss the peace issue. S

Both Levison and Wachtel concurred that King should not agree to run at this time. S

Information has also been received indicating that William S. Stein, Southern Christian Leadership Conference fund raiser, has contacted a radio station in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, to donate free time each Sunday

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to Martin Luther King, Jr. Stein requested the radio station, which is Negro oriented in its programming, to donate this one-half hour to play tapes of sermons and speeches by King. Stein advised he would then sell the show to sponsors and all the money would go to King's organization.

Stein is attempting to set up a nationwide network for King and advised radio station officials he will contact selected radio stations in Baltimore, New York, Chicago, Memphis, and Washington, D. C.

Radio Station WDAS, Philadelphia, started carrying the King program at 4:30 p.m., on April 16, 1967.

Another source advised in April, 1964, that Stanley Levison was a secret member of the Communist Party, USA, in July, 1963. In late 1963 and early 1964, he criticized the Communist Party for not being sufficiently militant in the civil rights struggle. Levison was described by certain Communist Party leaders as being to the "left" of the Communist Party in his position on civil rights. His differences with the Communist Party, however, are merely tactical and he continues his ideological adherence to communism. Stanley Levison is the owner and operator of the Park Management Realty Company, 1841 Broadway, New York, New York.

Harry Wachtel is a former member of the National Lawyers Guild, an organization which has been designated as a communist front by the Committee on Un-American Activities, United States House of Representatives. Wachtel is a partner in the law firm of Rubin, Wachtel, Baum, and Levine, 598 Madison Avenue, New York, New York.

XEROX COPIES BEING SENT TO MRS. MILDRED STEGALL, THE WHITE HOUSE; THE ATTORNEY GENERAL; AND ASSISTANT ATTORNEYS GENERAL DOAR & YEAGLEY.

NOTE:

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See memorandum C.D. Brennan to Sullivan, 4/20/67, captioned as above, prepared by DBN:des.

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MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
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Attached for your approval for dissemination are copies of a letterhead memorandum containing the following:

NY 3610-S* advised on 4/20/67 that Harry Wachtel and Stanley Levison were in conference that date concerning the political future of Martin Luther King, Jr., President, Southern Christian Leadership Conference. Both men are principal advisors to King and have subversive backgrounds. Levison is a former long-time secret Communist Party member. They discussed the current move by the Women Strike for Peace, a pacifist group, to get King to run for President of the United States in 1968 with Dr. Benjamin Spock as his vice-presidential candidate. Levison advised that King had recently told Norman Thomas, perennial candidate for President on the Socialist Party ticket that he would not run for President. S U

Levison and Wachtel both agreed it was too early for King to make a decision in this regard. Levison advised that King and Spock will meet in Boston on April 22, 1967, purportedly to discuss peace issues. S U

Information has been received indicating a Southern Christian Leadership Conference fund raiser is attempting to set up a nationwide radio station network that will play King's speeches and sermons one-half hour every Sunday. The proceeds from the commercials on the program will go to King's group. One Philadelphia station has agreed to this and aired King's one-half hour program at 4:30 p.m., on 4/16/67. U

Efforts are being made to do the same with radio stations in the following cities: Baltimore, New York, Chicago, Memphis, and Washington, D. C. U

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To: SAC, Atlanta (100-5718)

From: Director, FBI (100-438794)

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ReNYtel 4/19/67 captioned "CIRM."

Above teletype indicates Martin Luther King, President, SCLC, is confined to a hospital in Atlanta, nature of illness unknown.

The Atlanta Office is instructed to make a discreet inquiry through established sources in an effort to determine reason for King's confinement in the hospital. Due to the sensitive nature of this inquiry, if deemed inadvisable by Atlanta, this lead should not be covered.

NOTE:

New York advised King confined to a hospital, Atlanta, with unknown illness. Atlanta is instructed in the above airtel to determine, if possible without embarrassment to the Bureau, nature of King's illness.

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Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL (Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-438794)

FROM: SAC, ATLANTA (100-5718)

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Southern Christian Leadership Conference

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APPROPRIATE AGENCIES AND FIELD OFFICES ADVISED BY ROUTING SLIP(S) BY Valerie 11678 DATE 9-16-85

On 4/19/67 [redacted] advised that on 4/17/67 MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., President, SCLC, told RALPH D. ABERNATHY, Vice President and Treasurer, SCLC, he had spoken to a man about assuming the current vacant SCLC position of Executive Director. Informant said he could not be certain but believed KING referred to this individual as CHUCK THOMPSON. b7D

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KING explained to ABERNATHY that THOMPSON had very effectively served in a supervisory administrative capacity in the U. S. Congressional Committee formerly headed by ADAM CLAYTON POWELL. He said THOMPSON was now looking for a job and had expressed interest in the aforementioned SCLC position. KING said, however, THOMPSON had been receiving a salary of approximately $20,000 annually and he was afraid SCLC would not be able to entice him with a much lower salary.

Informant was unable to furnish any additional details.

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At this time LHM regarding the above is not being submitted until more definite information is received.

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MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

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The following information has been supplied by confidential sources of this Bureau who have furnished reliable information in the past. S4

On April 21, 1967, Martin Luther King, Jr., President, Southern Christian Leadership Conference, was in conference with his principal advisor, Stanley Levison, concerning King's political aspirations. King commented about the articles appearing in newspapers which indicated he might be pushed into running for President of the United States in 1968 as a peace candidate. It was agreed that this action would take Negro votes from President Lyndon B. Johnson. S4

King mentioned that one of his aides was contacted on April 20, 1967, and asked if King would meet with President Johnson, if he were invited. Levison stated that the peace march in New York City on April 15, 1967, was so impressive, it was forcing the President to make this move. Levison urged King to let President Johnson "sweat" over King's political position. S4

The decision of Cassius Clay, heavyweight boxing champion of the world, not to enter military service was discussed. Levison urged King to issue a statement praising Clay for his actions. S4

It is interesting to note that the April 24, 1967, issue of "The Washington Post and Times Herald" carries a statement issued by King where he spoke out along the lines outlined for him by Levison. In this same article, King stated he would have an announcement within 24 hours as to his political plans. S4

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MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

Another source advised in April, 1964, that Stanley Levison was a secret member of the Communist Party, USA, in July, 1963. In late 1963 and early 1964, he criticized the Communist Party for not being sufficiently militant in the civil rights struggle. Levison was described by certain Communist Party leaders as being to the "left" of the Communist Party in his position on civil rights. His differences with the Communist Party, however, are merely tactical and he continues his ideological adherence to communism. Stanley Levison is the owner and operator of the Park Management Realty Company, 141 Broadway, New York, New York.

MEMO COPY TO MRS. HILDRED STEGALL, THE WHITE HOUSE.

NOTE:

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See memorandum C.D. Brennan to Sullivan 4/24/67, captioned as above, prepared by DMW:des.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-438794) DATE: 4/24/67

FROM : SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (100-53341) - RUC

SUBJECT: COMINFIL OF THE SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC)
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Re New Haven letters to Bureau, 4/5/67 and 2/27/67.

Sources in San Francisco have not reported any discussion or rumor of [redacted] as reported in New Haven letter 2/27/67. b7D

A current characterization of "Ramparts" is set forth below:

The April 3, 1967, issue of the "National Observer," a weekly national newspaper published in New York City, contained a feature article on "Ramparts" magazine, which announced that the magazine's publisher, EDWARD KEATING, had just recently accepted the George Polk Memorial Award for magazine reporting. It stated that the Polk Award came at the end of a year of journalistic coups and exposes that have made the outspoken left-wing magazine one of the most controversial and highly publicized in the country. This article reported that "Ramparts" has only been published as a monthly for two and one-half years and is expected to reach a 250,000 circulation figure some time in 1967, at which figure it should publish without a loss. The "National Observer" article reported that the magazine had lost about $2,000,000.00 to date, of which $1,500,000.00 is EDWARD KEATING's.

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2 - New Haven (100-18339)(RM)
1 - San Francisco

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The "National Observer" stated that "Ramparts'" views include the following: Opposition to U. S. policy in Vietnam, a belief that the U. S. needs to change its attitude toward the cold war and communism, dissatisfaction with domestic progress on civil rights, and the elimination of poverty.

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1 - Mr. DeLoach
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MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
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APPROPRIATE AGENCIES AND FIELD OFFICES ADVISED BY ROUTING SLIP (S) BY [illegible] DATE 12-14-78

PURPOSE:

Attached for your approval for dissemination is a letterhead memorandum containing the following:

BACKGROUND:

NY SS10-S* advised on 4/21/67 that Martin Luther King, Jr., President, Southern Christian Leadership Conference, was in conference with his principal advisor and former long-time secret Communist Party member, Stanley Levison. They discussed King's political future. King commented about the articles appearing in newspapers speculating that his running for President of the United States in 1968 would take the Negro vote away from President Johnson. King mentioned that one of his aides was contacted on 4/20/67 and asked if King would meet with President Johnson, if he were invited. Levison replied that the peace demonstration held in New York City on 4/15/67 was so impressive, it forced the President to make this move. Levison urged King to let the President "sweat" over King's political position.

Levison then counseled King to issue a statement praising Cassius Clay, the well-known athlete, for his refusal to enter military service.

It is interesting to note that King made such a statement in the 4/24/67 edition of "The Washington Post and Times Herald." King also stated he would have an announcement within 24 hours as to his political plans.

OBSERVATIONS:

Since this information is of prime importance to the White House, it is deemed advisable to give it no additional dissemination.

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1 - Buffalo 100-[illegible] (Southern Christian Leadership Conference)

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C. D. Brennan to Sullivan Memorandum
RE:- MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
100-106670

RECOMMENDATION: SECRET

That attached communication be forwarded by routing slip to Mrs. Mildred Stegall at the White House.

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TO DIRECTOR (100-438794) AND CLEVELAND

FROM ATLANTA 260315

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ON AUG 28 1985

COMINFIL SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE IS-C.

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ON EVENING APRIL 25, INSTANT [redacted] ADVISED ON NIGHT OF APRIL 25, INSTANT MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., PRESIDENT SCLC, ANDREW J. YOUNG, EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT, SCLC, BERNARD LEE, SPECIAL AIDE TO THE PRESIDENT SCLC, AND CAROL HOOVER, FUND RAISING OFFICER, SCLC, CONTEMPLATED TRAVELLING TO CLEVELAND, OHIO. HOOVER COMMENTED SHE PROBABLY WOULD STAY AT "SHERATON HOTEL" AND EXPECTS TO RETURN TO ATLANTA EVENING OF APRIL 26, NEXT. REASON FOR ABOVE TRAVEL AND FURTHER DETAILS CONCERNING SAME NOT KNOWN TO SOURCE. LHM FOLLOWS.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-438794)

FROM: SAC, ATLANTA (100-5718)

COMINFIL OF SCLC
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Southern Christian Leadership Conference

Re Atlanta airtel and LHM 3/27/67 captioned as above.

Referenced communications previously deal with SCLC's Federal Housing Program.

On 4/25/67 [redacted] advised that during the morning of that date MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., President, SCLC, ANDREW J. YOUNG, Executive Assistant to the President, SCLC, and JAMES ROBINSON, Director, Southern Program, SCLC, Federal Housing Program, visited a Negro life insurance company in Atlanta. Informant advised he was unable to specifically state the identity of the company visited or the purpose for which these individuals went to this company; however, informant said he believed in all probability the Atlanta Life Insurance Company, a Negro insurance company of which JESSIE HILL, JR., SCLC board member, is an official, was the company visited. Also, he said the presence of ROBINSON strongly suggested the visit pertained to SCLC's Federal Housing Program and in all probability was concerned with obtaining "seed money" in connection with this program.

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At this time the foregoing is submitted for information only.

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(3) - Bureau (RM)
4 - Atlanta
(1 - 100-5718)
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-438794)

FROM: SAC, ATLANTA (100-5718)

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Re Atlanta teletype to Bureau 4/25/67 captioned as above.

Enclosed for the Bureau is the original and seven copies, and for Cleveland two, of LHM.

Source referred to is [redacted]

Source utilized to characterize CAROL HOOVER is NY 5019-S*. Source utilized to characterize STANLEY LEVISON is NY 694-S*. [redacted] furnished the information referred to in the enclosed LHM during the evening of 4/25/67. Informant was unable to provide any further details than set forth in retel and enclosed LHM.

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(1 - 157-621) (ANDREW YOUNG)
(1 - 157-660) (CAROL HOOVER)
(1 - 157-653) (BERNARD LEE)

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COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

During the latter part of April, 1967, a confidential source advised he understood that during the evening of April 25, 1967, Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr., President, Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), accompanied by Bernard Lee, Special Aid to the President, SCLC, Andrew J. Young, Executive Assistant to the President, SCLC, and Carol Hoover, Fund-Raising Officer, SCLC, contemplated traveling to Cleveland, Ohio.

Source was unable to provide any additional information pertaining to this travel on the part of the aforementioned individuals; however, he pointed out it was his understanding that Carol Hoover's father (name not known) pastors a Church in Cleveland and is friendly toward SCLC.

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CAROL HOOVER

A news item in "The Atlanta Daily World" (an Atlanta, Georgia daily Negro newspaper), dated May 21, 1965, titled "Albany 'Justice' Assailed" datelined Hapeville, Georgia, sets forth information regarding a semi-annual board meeting of the Southern Conference Education Fund (SCEF) held in Hapeville during the previous weekend. The article reports that Miss CAROL HOOVER, Atlanta, Georgia, an administrative assistant at the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) was one of four new members added to the board of SCEF at this meeting.

A characterization of the SCEF is attached hereto.

On August 22, 1964, CAROL HOOVER of SCLC, Atlanta, Georgia, told STANLEY LEVISON she was glad to have seen him at a party the previous Wednesday, according to a confidential source. ~~S~~ (U)

She also asked LEVISON for a financial contribution to the campaign fund of DONALD L. HOLLOWELL who was running for Judge of the Superior Court, Atlanta, Georgia. ~~S~~ (U)

LEVISON advised HOOVER that in response to her request he had contributed $50. ~~S~~ (U)

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STANLEY LEVISON

A confidential source advised in April, 1964, that STANLEY LEVISON was a secret member of the Communist Party (CP), USA, in July, 1963. In late 1963, and early 1964, he criticized the CP for not being sufficiently militant in the civil rights struggle. LEVISON was described by certain CP leaders as being to the "left" of the CP in his position in civil rights. LEVISON's differences with the CP, however, are merely tactical and he continues his ideological adherence to Communism.

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1 SOUTHERN CONFERENCE EDUCATIONAL FUND, INC.

"The Southern Patriot," a monthly publication, shows that it is published by the Southern Conference Educational Fund, Inc. (SCEF).

"The Southern Patriot" was cited as an "organ" of the Southern Conference for Human Welfare (SCHW) by the Committee on Un-American Activities, House Report 592, June 12, 1947.

The SCHW was cited as a communist front by the Committee on Un-American Activities, House Report 592, June 12, 1947.

An amendment to the charter of the SCHW dated April 26, 1946, changed the name of that organization to the SCEF, and listed its purpose as being to improve the educational and cultural standards of the Southern people in accordance with the highest American democratic institutions, traditions, and ideals.

The SCEF is self-described as having deep roots in the South where it began as the educational wing of the SCHW, organized in 1938 to work for economic and political reform. When the SCHW disbanded in the late 1940's, SCEF continued as an independent organization, rallying support for integration and democracy and helping to stimulate and nurture new movements of the early 1960's. The SCEF maintained headquarters in Louisiana for twenty years, but in 1966 moved its headquarters to Louisville, Kentucky.

A source advised on March 2, 1961, that CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT, a Communist Party functionary, stated at a meeting of the Communist Party in Baltimore, Maryland, on February 25, 1961, that the Communist Party is not connected with any progressive movement but indirectly they do have some influence in the SCEF.

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In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

Atlanta, Georgia
April 26, 1967

Title **COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE**

Character **INTERNAL SECURITY - C**

Reference **Atlanta Letterhead Memorandum dated and captioned as above.**

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-438794)

FROM: SAC, ATLANTA (100-5718)

COMINFIL OF SCLC
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Southern Christian Leadership Conference

During March 1967 SCLC made various changes in its personnel and organizational structure. One of these changes was the addition of Reverend RICHARD BATTLES of Hartford, Conn., [redacted] HOSEA WILLIAMS is currently Director of Voter Registration and Political Education, SCLC.

The following, submitted at this time for information, was furnished [redacted]

For an appreciable time, BATTLES (as we know) has received automobiles from various individuals for the benefit of SCLC. These automobiles normally are used automobiles donated to SCLC through BATTLES. Periodically in the past, SCLC has sent one or more employees to Hartford to bring these automobiles either to Atlanta or elsewhere where they have been needed by SCLC. According to WILLIAMS, BATTLES has in the past received as many as 4 cars per week.

WILLIAMS said he was aware that BATTLES has continued to receive cars in the above-described manner but has not made any such cars available to SCLC for several months. The obvious question, WILLIAMS said, is just what has BATTLES been doing with these automobiles.

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2- New Haven (RM)
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3- Atlanta (1- 100-5718)
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Informant advised he could furnish at this time no details regarding the above and had no knowledge as to what action if any SCLC contemplates concerning this. He also stated he did not know the source of WILLIAMS' information or the accuracy thereof. He said, however, he understood SCLC has not for several months incurred any expense connected with obtaining cars from BATTLES and bringing them to Atlanta or elsewhere for SCLC. He said, in the past, he understood that such an expense item periodically would be incurred by SCLC.

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Until such time as more definite details regarding the above are obtained LHM is not being submitted.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-438794)

FROM: SAC, ATLANTA (100-5718)

COMINFIL OF SCLC
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Re Atlanta airtel and LHM 4/14/67 captioned, "CIRM".

Enclosed for the Bureau is the original and seven copies, for Chicago one, and for New York two, of LHM.

Source referred to is [redacted]

Source advised [redacted] He also said the radio programs which STEIN has recently been arranging consists essentially of edited taped recordings of sermons delivered from time to time during the recent past by MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., at the Ebenezer Baptist Church, Atlanta, of which church he is Assistant Pastor.

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2- New York (Enc. 2) (RM)
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5- Atlanta (1-100-5718)
(1 - [redacted])
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(1 - 100-6670)
(1 - 100-6828) (WILLIAM S. STEIN)

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Atlanta, Georgia
April 27, 1967

COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

On April 25, 1967, a confidential source advised that as of approximately the middle of April, 1967, Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), had rehired William S. Stein, previously employed by SCLC in a fund-raising capacity.

Source said it was his understanding that Stein has currently been engaged in the preparation of short recorded radio programs which feature Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr., President, SCLC. SCLC contemplates broadcasting these programs in various locations throughout the country [redacted] b7D

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-438794)

FROM: SAC, ATLANTA (100-5718)

COMINFIL OF SCLC
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Southern Christian Leadership Conference

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OPEN HOUSING ORDINANCE
LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY Date Forw. APR 25 1967
RACIAL MATTERS
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Louisville file 157-40 RACIAL UNIT
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ReATairtel and LHM 4/17/67 captioned as above and teletype to Bureau 4/20/67 captioned "OPEN HOUSING ORDINANCE, LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY, RM".

Enclosed for the Bureau is the original and eight, and for Louisville three, of LHM.

Source referred to is [redacted] (u)

Source utilized to characterize HOSEA WILLIAMS is NY 4171-S*. Sources utilized to characterize HUNTER PITTS O'DELL are NY 694-S* and NY 4171-S*. (u)

Re airtel on page two refers to one WILLIE YOUNG. On 4/19/67 [redacted] advised the correct name of this individual should be WILLIE D. LEON. LEON is currently an SCLC subsistence worker and is one of many subsistence workers whose services SCLC contemplates dispensing with in the near future.

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3- Louisville (Enc. 3) (RM)
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(1 - 100-5718) (1 - 100-5586) (M. L. KING, JR.)
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AT 100-5718

Informant advised it was his understanding that approximately 30 SCLC subsistence workers were sent to Louisville by WILLIAMS. Most of these individuals were expected to go to Louisville on 4/15 and 16/67. X(4)

[redacted]

KING has extremely poor vision in one eye due to some birth defect. It was his other eye which was recently struck. X(4) b7D

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COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE
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OPEN HOUSING ORDINANCE
LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY
RACIAL MATTERS

On April 19, 1967, a confidential source advised that during the latter part of the preceding week Reverend A. D. King, brother of Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr., President, Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), participated in a demonstration in Louisville, Kentucky, in connection with efforts of SCLC in that city to obtain passage of an Open Housing Ordinance. During this demonstration, Reverend A. D. King was struck in one eye by a brick or stone thrown by an unknown person. Source said he understood this resulted only in a superficial injury.

Upon being apprised of the above incident, Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr., instructed Hosea Williams, Director, Voter Registration and Political Education, SCLC, to send additional SCLC personnel to Louisville in order to assist in demonstrations connected with the Open Housing Ordinance.

On April 20, 1967, source advised he understood Hosea Williams planned to be in Louisville on that date to participate in demonstrations concerned with the Open Housing Ordinance.

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HUNTER PITTS O'DELL

In July, 1962, HUNTER PITTS O'DELL, also known as JACK H. O'DELL, was considered by the Communist Party, USA, as a member of its National Committee.

HUNTER PITTS O'DELL told EDWINA SMITH December 27, 1963, he would not go back to the Southern Christian Leadership Conference on the same basis because he is now a "left person" and if they cannot accept him the way he is then they will have to forget about him.

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HOSEA WILLIAMS

During October, 1964, a confidential source advised that on October 3, 1964, RUTH BAILEY, then an employee of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, (SCLC), Harlem, New York Office, while discussing several SCLC personalities with one CONNIE CAMPBELL, referred to WILLIAMS. BAILEY said WILLIAMS had mentioned to her (date not specified) that on a prior occasion (date not specified) HUNTER PITTS O'DELL had told him more about politics than he could read.

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LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY

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Enclosed are ten copies of an LHM containing information from NY 3810-S*, a source close to STANLEY LEVISON. Two copies are enclosed for the Atlanta Office since it is origin in captioned case.

NY 694-S* was the source of the information in the characterization of STANLEY LEVISON.

With regard to RICHARD RUSSELL and ANN FARNSWORTH, contributors to the SCLC, mention has been made in earlier communications. The NYO does not have sufficient identifying subversive information in its files to characterize them.

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Communist Infiltration of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC)
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A confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, furnished the following information on April 24, 1967:

Stanley Levison and Adele Kanter, the SCLC Director in New York, New York office of the SCLC, were in conference on April 24, 1967, during which time Levison related what he learned during his one day trip to the headquarters of the SCLC, Atlanta, Georgia. According to him, King, in his statement to the press on April 25, 1967, while he (Levison) was at the headquarters, said he did not want to be President of the United States, but instead wanted to be the conscience of politicians. However, King, Levison related, inserted into his press statement, which he (Levison) and others had prepared, that if the war escalates further, there may very well be a very fundamental political realignment. Levison described this as a kind of threat for the future.

Reference was also made by Levison to a column of James A. Wechsler, the Editor of the "New York Post", of April 25, 1967, in which he considered the possibility of a political realignment as a result of the Vietnam war. Levison thought the article by Wechsler was an excellent one, but was of the opinion that it should have been since Wechsler and Andrew Young, Executive Assistant to King and the SCLC, met on Sunday, April 23, 1967.

With regard to fund matters incident to the SCLC, Levison directed Kanter to add the name of Ann Farnsworth's husband, whom Levison referred to as "Peretz," a teacher at Harvard University, to the list of contributors.

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Another person who should be added to the list of contributors, according to Levison, is Richard Russell, [redacted] West Hartford, Connecticut. Russell is reported to have given $5,000.00 and automobiles to the SCLC.

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On April 25, 1967, Stanley Levison and Bill Stein were in conference to discuss what, if any, progress Stein, a fund raiser for the SCLC, had made during his contacts with Negro businessmen. Stein reported that he had not received replies from many of them, but expected to get them on April 26, 1967.

Levison also disclosed to Stein just what King had said with regard to his availability for the Presidency. King, according to what he told Levison, never wants to be President of the country. It was Levison who agreed with him that he should not pursue it at this time, cautioning however that the day may come when it would be his duty to run. He also advised King that if the day should come, it would be much wiser for him to have John Kenneth Galbraith, former Ambassador to India and now a Harvard University professor, as a running mate rather than Dr. Benjamin Spock, the renowned pediatrician.

Levison and Joan Daves (Publisher's Representative for King's books) were in contact on April 25, 1967, during which Daves mentioned that excerpts from King's new book "Where Do We Go From Here" will be highlighted in the magazine section of the June 11, 1967 issue of "The New York Times".

Levison revealed that contracts have been entered into with several radio stations to carry excerpts from King's sermons, speeches and other material. The audiences will be mostly Negro and stations which will carry the programs are to be in Baltimore and Philadelphia; other cities which are expected to be affected are New York and Chicago. The station in New York which Levison hopes to contract with is WLIB, a predominantly Negro station, but which has some white listeners.

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A confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised in April, 1964, that Stanley Levison was a secret member of the Communist Party, United States of America (CP, USA) in July, 1963. In late 1963 and early 1964, he criticized the CP for not being sufficiently militant in the civil rights struggle. Levison was described by certain CP leaders as being to the "left" of the CP in his position on civil rights. His differences with the CP, however, are merely tactical and he continues his ideological adherence to Communism.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-438794) DATE: 5/3/67

FROM: SAC, PHILADELPHIA (100-47194) (RUC)

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE;
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Re Philadelphia airtels to Bureau dated 4/5/67 and 4/14/67 entitled "MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR." and Bureau airtel dated 4/13/67.

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau is original and seven copies of a letterhead memorandum. Two copies are being furnished Atlanta.

The source utilized is [redacted] whose identity is protected at his request. b7D

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Enclosed for the Bureau are 11 copies of a LHM concerning captioned matter. Two copies each are being forwarded to Atlanta and Chicago, as the SCLC and KING have headquarters in those cities.

Copies are also being furnished to military intelligence agencies, Secret Service and USA, CV.

The Bureau and interested offices will be advised of further developments in the event KING and the SCLC organize Operation Breadbasket or other activities here as set forth in the LHM.

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Cleveland, Ohio
April 28, 1967

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

An article in "The Plain Dealer," daily Cleveland newspaper, issue of April 27, 1967, stated that Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., had appeared before some 8,000 pupils at three predominately Negro public schools and at the Cleveland Job Corps Center for Women on April 26, 1967. Dr. KING was quoted as stating, "Our power does not lie in Molotov cocktails. Our power does not lie in bricks and sticks. Our power does not lie in bottles. Our power lies in our ability to unite around non-violent programs. Violence is self-defeating action and suicidal."

The article pointed out that Dr. KING's speech came against a background of recent violence, terrorism and vandalism in the Negro community on Cleveland's east side. Further, Dr. KING told the pupils they would not improve education by burning schools and that no problems are solved by shooting each other or burning each other's homes.

Dr. KING called upon the youths to work through civil rights organizations and to urge their parents to register to vote so that the Negroes could gain political power.

On the evening of April 26, 1967, Dr. KING spoke to a public gathering at the Olivet Institutional Baptist Church, 8714 Quincy Avenue. He had been invited to Cleveland to make this address by the United Pastors Association, which represents most of the city's Negro churches. Dr. KING's speech was broadcast by a local radio station.

He introduced the following members of his staff as being present with him in Cleveland:

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Reverend JESSE JACKSON, Director of Operation Breadbasket in the North.

Reverend ANDREW YOUNG, Executive Director of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC).

Reverend BERNARD LEE, Special Assistant to Dr. KING.

CAROL HOOVER, a member of the SCLC staff in Atlanta.

EDDIE OSBURN, a cousin of Dr. KING's wife.

In his address, Dr. KING called on the Negroes in Cleveland to develop and maintain a sense of self-respect, to teach Negro history in schools and to be proud of Negro heritage. He also called for group unity in order to improve the economic position of the Negro. He explained that his program Operation Breadbasket works through local ministers, who ask for fair employment opportunities at various business establishments, and if their requests are not granted, the ministers call for the Negro community to institute a boycott of these companies. He said that he and his staff were going back to Atlanta and Chicago to make further plans to return to Cleveland to institute an Operation Breadbasket program here.

Dr. KING also made substantially the same remarks as set forth above concerning his opposition to violence. He also stated that apart from his moral conviction against violence, a study of history has shown that the Negroes in this country could not possibly win a violent revolution in this country. He stated that no violent revolution has ever been successful without at least passive support or sympathy by the vast majority of the people and that the Army must also turn to the side of the revolutionists. He then asked if anyone believed that the U.S. Army would turn to the side of the Negro who uses violence. He stated that not only can the Negroes not win a violent campaign, but such actions create many more problems than they solve. He called on the people to discard such slogans as "Burn Baby, Burn," and to adop such slogans as "Learn baby, Learn" and "Build baby, build."

Dr. KING also attacked U.S. policies in Vietnam and stated that it was a question of U.S. interference in a civil war in another country. He called for the U.S. to bring our troops back home.

On April 27, 1967, [redacted] Bureau of Special Investigations, Cleveland Police Department, advised that there were no disturbances in connection with Dr. KING's visit to Cleveland. He stated that there was no picketing of Dr. KING other than by one Negro man who picketed against Dr. KING's stand against U.S. policies in Vietnam.

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On 5/3/67 [redacted] advised that during the course of an SCLC Executive Staff meeting held 5/1/67 a staff member (name not recalled) mentioned SCLC currently is in the position of not having completed activity in Grenada, Miss., and Louisville, Ky. The question was then asked of KING what did SCLC contemplate during the Summer of 1967 as a program for the South. KING replied at the present time he did not know what SCLC would do this coming Summer concerning the South. He said he previously had requested HOSEA WILLIAMS, Director of Voter Registration and Political Education, SCLC, to draw up some proposals for a Summer program in the South but to date WILLIAMS had not presented these proposals to him. KING went on to point out that SCLC must realize that currently the majority of the Negro population in the United States is now located in approximately 10 Northern cities (not identified) and is no longer concentrated in the South. Consequently, he said whatever SCLC's future program involves it must not lose sight of this fact.

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A copy of referenced communication was not directed to Chicago. For information of Chicago, [redacted] recently advised HOSEA WILLIAMS on 4/25/67 complained that Reverend RICHARD BATTLES of Hartford, Conn., had been receiving automobiles from individuals for the use of SCLC but had not recently been forwarding these cars to SCLC as he had in the past.

On 5/3/67 [redacted] advised that on that date MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., President, SCLC, requested ANDREW J. YOUNG, Executive Assistant to the President, SCLC, to discuss with BATTLES the situation regarding these cars. YOUNG subsequently advised KING that BATTLES told him he had in the reeent past sent approximately 11 cars to SCLC in Chicago. KING responded that while this might be possible it did not appear logical to him that BATTLES had sent this many cars to Chicago. YOUNG also told KING BATTLES had indicated to him that he was no

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longer interested in handling cars for SCLC as he has been doing for some time. Informant advised on this occasion no further discussion took place regarding this matter.

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Re Atlanta airtel and LHM 4/26/67 captioned as above and Cleveland airtel and LHM 4/28/67 captioned, "MARTIN LUTHER KING, SM - C" and "COMINFIL OF SCLC, IS - C".

Source referred to is [redacted] b7D

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Enclosed for the Bureau is the original and seven copies, for Chicago two copies, and for Cleveland two copies of LHM.

Informant advised the discussion concerning Cleveland referred to in the enclosed LHM took place 5/1/67 during the course of an SCLC Executive Staff meeting in Atlanta.

In connection with WILLIAMS' objection to SCLC going into Cleveland, he rather pointedly told KING that

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just because KING had been very well received by his several audiences in Cleveland he should realize this was principally due to his status as a national figure. WILLIAMS declared this alone could not be utilized by SCLC as a reliable yardstick by which to measure the true feeling of the Negro community in Cleveland so far as wholeheartedly accepting any SCLC sponsored activity.

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COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE
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During the latter part of April, 1967, a confidential source advised he understood that on April 25, 1967, Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr., President, Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), accompanied by Bernard Lee, Special Aid to the President, SCLC, Andrew J. Young, Executive Assistant to the President, SCLC, and Carol Hoover, Fund-Raising Officer, SCLC, contemplated traveling to Cleveland, Ohio.

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Source has subsequently advised he learned that the aforementioned individuals had been accompanied to Cleveland by Jesse Jackson from Chicago, Illinois, Northern Director, Operation Breadbasket, SCLC, and that while Reverend King made several public appearances in Cleveland the main purpose of these individuals traveling to Cleveland was to evaluate that community's current need for civil rights activity.

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Following his return to Atlanta, Reverend King discussed with several officers of SCLC his visit to Cleveland. He pointed out that he had received a very fine reception at each of the public appearances he had made in that city and felt that the Negro community there was extremely anxious to have SCLC come to Cleveland with an established program regarding employment, housing, and education. He went on to point out an appreciable degree of tenseness existed in the Cleveland Negro community and said he sincerely felt

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that if these people were not shortly presented a constructive program to which they can devote their energy violence might well develop.

Jesse Jackson also presented his thoughts regarding Cleveland which source said largely paralleled the views set forth by Reverend Martin Luther King. Jackson, however, strongly urged that in the event SCLC decided to engage in an active program in Cleveland it should make clear to the Negro leaders of that city that they will have to bear the financial burden of any SCLC activity there. Jackson also stressed that SCLC should onlybe expected to furnish such personnel as is necessary to advise and assist local leaders. Jackson said the local people should be the ones to actively participate in a movement rather than members of SCLC staff.

Reverend King stated that SCLC would not make any effort to participate in any activity at Cleveland until it is invited to do so by the Negro power structure in that community. He anticipated invitation would be received by SCLC in the very near future.

Hosea Williams, Director, Voter Registration and Political Education, SCLC, voiced objection to the thought of SCLC becoming active in Cleveland. Williams said he felt SCLC had suffered a defeat in Chicago and that it should not willingly invite further defeat before solving some of the problems which still remain in Chicago.

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CAROL HOOVER

A news item in "The Atlanta Daily World" (an Atlanta, Georgia daily Negro newspaper), dated May 21, 1965, titled "Albany 'Justice' Assailed" datelined Hapeville, Georgia, sets forth information regarding a semi-annual board meeting of the Southern Conference Education Fund (SCEF) held in Hapeville during the previous weekend. The article reports that Miss CAROL HOOVER, Atlanta, Georgia, an administrative assistant at the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) was one of four new members added to the board of SCEF at this meeting.

A characterization of the SCEF is attached hereto.

On August 22, 1964, CAROL HOOVER of SCLC, Atlanta, Georgia, told STANLEY LEVISON she was glad to have seen him at a party the previous Wednesday, according to a confidential source.

She also asked LEVISON for a financial contribution to the campaign fund of DONALD L. HOLLOWELL who was running for Judge of the Superior Court, Atlanta, Georgia.

LEVISON advised HOOVER that in response to her request he had contributed $50.

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STANLEY LEVISON

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A confidential source advised in April, 1964, that STANLEY LEVISON was a secret member of the Communist Party (CP), USA, in July, 1963. In late 1963, and early 1964, he criticized the CP for not being sufficiently militant in the civil rights struggle. LEVISON was described by certain CP leaders as being to the "left" of the CP in his position in civil rights. LEVISON's differences with the CP, however, are merely tactical and he continues his ideological adherence to Communism. (S)

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HUNTER PITTS O'DELL

In July, 1962, HUNTER PITTS O'DELL, also known as JACK H. O'DELL, was considered by the Communist Party, USA, as a member of its National Committee.

HUNTER PITTS O'DELL told EDWINA SMITH December 27, 1963, he would not go back to the Southern Christian Leadership Conference on the same basis because he is now a "left person" and if they cannot accept him the way he is then they will have to forget about him.

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"The Southern Patriot," a monthly publication, shows that it is published by the Southern Conference Educational Fund, Inc. (SCEF).

"The Southern Patriot" was cited as an "organ" of the Southern Conference for Human Welfare (SCHW) by the Committee on Un-American Activities, House Report 592, June 12, 1947.

The SCHW was cited as a communist front by the Committee on Un-American Activities, House Report 592, June 12, 1947.

An amendment to the charter of the SCHW dated April 26, 1946, changed the name of that organization to the SCEF, and listed its purpose as being to improve the educational and cultural standards of the Southern people in accordance with the highest American democratic institutions, traditions, and ideals.

The SCEF is self-described as having deep roots in the South where it began as the educational wing of the SCHW, organized in 1938 to work for economic and political reform. When the SCHW disbanded in the late 1940's, SCEF continued as an independent organization, rallying support for integration and democracy and helping to stimulate and nurture new movements of the early 1960's. The SCEF maintained headquarters in Louisiana for twenty years, but in 1966 moved its headquarters to Louisville, Kentucky.

A source advised on March 2, 1961, that CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT, a Communist Party functionary, stated at a meeting of the Communist Party in Baltimore, Maryland, on February 25, 1961, that the Communist Party is not connected with any progressive movement but indirectly they do have some influence in the SCEF.

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HOSEA WILLIAMS

During October, 1964, a confidential source advised that on October 3, 1964, RUTH BAILEY, then an employee of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, (SCLC), Harlem, New York Office, while discussing several SCLC personalities with one CONNIE CAMPBELL, referred to WILLIAMS. BAILEY said WILLIAMS had mentioned to her (date not specified) that on a prior occasion (date not specified) HUNTER PITTS O'DELL had told him more about politics than he could read. (U)

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Referenced airtel refers to SCLC's Federal Housing Program.

The following is submitted at this time for information:

On 5/3/67 [redacted] advised that on 5/1/67 ANDREW J. YOUNG, Executive Assistant to the President, SCLC, attended a meeting in Atlanta [redacted]

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Informant advised he did not know precisely where this meeting was held or who may have attended it; however, it was his understanding that YOUNG went to this meeting representing SCLC in order to make a bid for a specific area of land in the Atlanta downtown area on which several housing units will eventually be built. SCLC's participation in this forthcoming building project is based upon recommendations of JAMES ROBINSON, Director, Southern Program, Federal Housing Program, SCLC, and apparently represents a beginning of SCLC's intention to participate in making available Federal Housing for low income groups.

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