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**SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING JR.**

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RE: BERNARD S. LEE V. CLARENCE M. KELLEY, ET AL.  
(U.S.D.C., D.C.) CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 76-1185

SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC)  
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FROM CHICAGO (100-35356)

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., SM-C.

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RE CHICAGO AIRTEL AND LHM DATED JANUARY TWENTY FOUR LAST AND  
ATLANTA TEL JANUARY TWENTY FIVE LAST.

b7(D) [REDACTED] CHICAGO, ADVISED KING, HIS WIFE, REVEREND BERNARD  
LEE AND UNKNOWN NEGRO FEMALE ARRIVED CHICAGO TWELVE FIFTEEN PM INSTANT  
VIA NORTHWEST FLIGHT SEVEN ZERO ONE FROM ATLANTA. KING ADVISED PD  
AIRPORT DETAIL OF HIS SCHEDULED DEPARTURE JANUARY TWENTY EIGHT NEXT,  
NO SPECIFIC TIME STATED. FROM O'HARE AIRPORT, KING PROCEEDED TO SCLC  
HEADQUARTERS, CHICAGO, THREE ONE ZERO ONE WEST WARREN BLVD.

KING SCHEDULED TO MOVE INTO THIRD FLOOR APARTMENT, ONE FIVE  
FIVE ZERO SOUTH HAMLIN TODAY, AS IN RE LHM. NO SPECIFIC PLANS  
AVAILABLE TO PD RE MOVE-IN HERE, BUT PD PROVIDING SPECIAL COVERAGE  
ENTIRE AREA. NO INCIDENTS ANTICIPATED AND THIS PD COVERAGE PRINCIPALLY  
PRECAUTIONARY.

CHICAGO FOLLOWING. BUREAU AND ATLANTA WILL BE ADVISED OF PERTINENT  
DEVELOPMENTS.

MILITARY AND SECRET SERVICE ADVISED OF KING'S PRESENCE, CHICAGO.

LHM WILL FOLLOW KING'S DEPARTURE.

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[REDACTED]  
Bradenton, Florida 33505

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Dear [REDACTED]

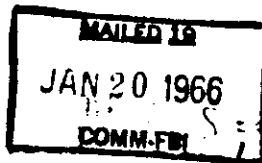
Your letter of January 17th has  
been received.

In response to your inquiry,  
information contained in our files must be main-  
tained as confidential in accordance with  
regulations of the Department of Justice. I am  
sure you will understand the reason for this policy  
and why I am unable to furnish the data you requested.

Sincerely yours,  
J. Edgar Hoover

NOTE: Bufiles contain no record of correspondent, and likewise  
our files contain no record of the Christian Reformed Church. The  
Freedom Democratic Party is generally recognized as an alternate  
designation for the Mississippi Freedom Democratic Party. The  
efforts of this group to gain recognition in Mississippi are well  
known to the Bureau.

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Bradenton, Florida

Dear Sirs:

We are writing this letter to obtain, if possible a few facts about Dr. Martin Luther King. *St*

Am asking for these facts because the Free University of Amsterdam conferred on Dr. Martin Luther King an honorary Doctor's degree in Social Science.

Our denomination *b7(c)* sends men at various times to this University to further their studies.

We are trying to straighten our thinking to the fact that Dr. King and his type of thinking is proper for our denomination to go along with.

Would like to know who pays his salary?

Is he a pastor in a denomination?

The Freedom Democratic Party, which he advocates, is this a sincere democratic group?

Does he work with the local bi-racial committees?

What is the Southern Christian Leadership Conference?

Does he create an atmosphere in the civil rights movement which has a tendency to lean towards law & order?

Does he belong or has he ever belonged to a communistic group?

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Thank You, \_\_\_\_\_

An American citizen.  
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TO DIRECTOR, ATLANTA AND NEW YORK

NEW YORK VIA WASHINGTON

FROM CHICAGO 100-353561

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., SM - C.

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Mr. Tavel	_____
Mr. Trotter	_____
Mr. Wick	_____
Tele. Room	_____
Miss Holmes	_____
Miss Gandy	_____

RE ATLANTA TELETYPE JANUARY ONE NINE INSTANT, NO CC NEW YORK.

**[REDACTED]** FURNISHED FOLLOWING INFORMATION THIS DATE:  
KING ARRIVED CHICAGO ON NORTHWEST AIRLINE FLIGHT SEVEN ZERO ONE  
APPROXIMATELY TWELVE NOON INSTANT. KING STAYING CHICAGO-SHERATON  
HOTEL AND PLANS TO MEET WITH LOCAL SCLC WORKERS, CHICAGO. KING HAS  
NO PUBLIC APPEARANCES SCHEDULED DURING THIS VISIT AND IT IS ANTICIPATED  
KING WILL DEPART CHICAGO AM JANUARY TWO ONE NEXT FOR NEW YORK CITY,  
RETURNING TO CHICAGO JANUARY TWO FOUR NEXT FOR APPEARANCE AT UNIVERSITY  
OF CHICAGO.

CHICAGO ATTEMPTING TO DETERMINE KING'S SCHEDULED TIME OF  
DEPARTURE FOR NEW YORK JANUARY TWO ONE NEXT AND WILL ADVISE.

USA, MILITARY AND SECRET SERVICE ADVISED. LHM WILL BE SUBMITTED  
FOLLOWING KING'S DEPARTURE JANUARY TWO ONE NEXT.

CHICAGO FOLLOWING.

END

FOR RELAY - BJH  
FBI WASH DC --

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-438794)  
FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (100-149194)  
SUBJECT: COMINFIL SCLC  
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(OO: Atlanta)

ReNYteletype of 1/14/66, concerning plans of STANLEY LEVISON and CLARENCE JONES to travel to Atlanta on 1/14/66.

Enclosed are ten copies of a letterhead memorandum reporting information from [REDACTED] and [REDACTED], in that order. Two copies are enclosed for the information of the Atlanta Office.

4-Bureau (100-438794) (Encl. 10) (RM)  
(1-100-100670) (MARTIN LUTHER KING)  
2-Atlanta (100-5718) (Encl. 2) (RM)  
(1-100-5580) (MARTIN LUTHER KING)  
1-NY (100-111180) (STANLEY LEVISON) (42)  
1-NY (100-73250) (CLARENCE JONES) (42)  
1-NY (100-148289) (HARRY WACHTEL) (42)  
1-NY (100-136585) (MARTIN LUTHER KING) (42)  
1-NY (100-149194) (41)

JMK:rmv  
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-APPROPRIATE AGENCIES  
AND FIELD OFFICES  
ADVISED BY ROUTING  
SLIP(S) OF CLARENCE JONES  
DATE 1/17/66

12 JAN 18 1966

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The Agents who observed STANLEY LEVISON on 1/14/66,  
were SAS [REDACTED] b7(c)

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

Bu 100-438794

New York, New York  
January 17, 1966

Re: Communist Infiltration of the Southern  
Christian Leadership Conference, SCLC  
Internal Security-C

On January 13, 1966, a confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that he learned that Stanley Levison and Bill Stein (Chief of Church Fund Raising, Southern Christian Leadership Conference, SCLC) conferred on that date about a trip Levison would make to Atlanta SCLC headquarters on January 14, 1966. In that regard, Levison was asked if he would take up the problem of "dialogue" while in Atlanta. Levison replied that he did not know since "they" (King and other SCLC people) would be participating in the March (King's protest march against the refusal of the Georgia legislature to seat Julian Bond).

With reference to the Julian Bond issue, "The New York Times", Friday, January 14, 1966, page 26, identified Bond as a Negro pacifist barred from membership in the Georgia legislature after he had supported a statement by the Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee harshly criticizing the nation's action in Vietnam.

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Re: Communist infiltration of the  
Southern Christian Leadership Conference  
Internal Security - C

A confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on January 13, 1966, that Clarence Jones had been in contact with Andrew Young, Executive Director of the SCLC, and Edwina Smith, an employee of the SCLC, on that date. Jones told Young that Stanley Levison had some matters he wanted to discuss with Young on a mailing and also wanted to see Young in Atlanta, Georgia, on January 14, 1966, to discuss fund raising. Young explained that they are holding the march on January 14, 1966, and, therefore, would not be free until about 3:00 p.m. He said that Levison should be told that he, Young, could see him after 3:00 p.m., and that Levison should plan to stay over until Saturday, January 15, 1966. Jones noted that he has some things to take up with Martin (Luther King) and, if he went to Atlanta on January 14, 1966, would stay over also.

Edwina Smith asked to whom they should make out a check in payment for a negligence suit. She stated that they are low on funds and wondered if they could hold off on the payment. Jones instructed her to wait until they get the funds.

A confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, learned on January 13, 1966, that Harry Wachtel wanted Clarence Jones notified that the meeting (of the Research Committee of the SCLC) scheduled for January 14, 1966, in Atlanta had been cancelled, but that there would be a meeting in Wachtel's office in New York City on January 19, 1966, from 12 noon to 6:00 p.m.

The first source on the night of January 13, 1966, furnished information indicating that Levison had reservations aboard Eastern Airlines Flight 107Y, which was scheduled to leave LaGuardia at 12 noon, January 14, 1966, and arrive in Atlanta at 2:00 p.m., and that Jones planned to take a Delta Flight from Kennedy International Airport at 1:20 p.m. and arrive Atlanta at 3:30 p.m., January 14, 1966.

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Re: Communist Infiltration of the  
Southern Christian Leadership Conference  
Internal Security - C

On January 14, 1966, Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, (FBI) observed Stanley Levison board Eastern Airlines flight 107Y, which left New York's LaGuardia Airport at 12 noon and was to arrive Atlanta at 2:00 p.m.

Clarence Jones

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

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

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Re: Communist Infiltration of the Southern  
Christian Leadership Conference, SCLC  
Internal Security - C

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

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A characterization of the National Lawyers  
Guild is attached hereto.

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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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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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Enclosed are ten copies of a letterhead memorandum (LHM) reporting information from [REDACTED] two copies are enclosed for the information of the Atlanta Office. 54688, 6071, 8514, 73518  
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On January 12, 1966, a confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, furnished information which disclosed that Bill Stein (Southern Christian Leadership Conference, SCLC, fund raiser), and Stanley Levison, were in contact on that date regarding an affair which will be held in New York City, on February 2, 1966. Stein wanted Levison's opinion on several matters in regard to the mailing dealing with the affair, specifically whether on the mailing, the return cards should be sent to 200 West 57th Street, New York City, (the midtown address of the SCLC office in New York City), and whether he should show his (Stein's) name on the return card. Levison said the return cards should show the 200 West 57th Street address, but in regard to the other question, that King's name should be used since recipients of the letters would think they were receiving a personal letter from King and were in turn mailing their card to King personally (Martin Luther King).

Stein quoted the last portion of the letter as follows: "In order to focus fully on this question (fund appeal), I am coming to New York with Reverend Ralph Abernathy and Reverend Andrew Young, and we hope you will join us for what should be a stimulating discussion - 10:30 AM, Wednesday, February 2, 1966, in the Assembly Hall, Riverside Church, Riverside Drive and 122nd Street, New York City."

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Stein said he also stated in the letter that attendance would be restricted to clergy and laity invited by the clergy, and the general public and all news media will be asked not to attend.



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Mr. DeLoach

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REGISTRAR OF VOTERS

JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA

VOTER DISCRIMINATION

CIVIL RIGHTS - ELECTION LAWS

VOTING RIGHTS ACT OF 1965

- 1 - Mr. Mohr
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- 1 - Mr. Sullivan
- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Rosen
- 1 - Mr. Malley
- 1 - Mr. McGowan
- 1 - Mr. Hines
- 1 - Mr. Marcindale

SAC McGovern called to advise that the U. S. District Court has now extended its injunction to cover the city schools. It is noted an injunction was entered 1/13/66 which prohibited the demonstrators from conduct which would interfere with the county schools.

U. S. District Judge Grooms has informed the U. S. Marshal that the injunction is binding on all who have been served and is also binding on all persons who are aware of the contents of the order. The Marshal was instructed by the court that if he is aware that a demonstration is taking place in an area or in a manner prohibited by the injunction, he is to immediately proceed to that spot, read the injunction order, and then arrest all persons who fail to comply with the order of the U. S. District Court.

McGovern said that the Marshal has only three deputies. McGovern considers it quite possible that widespread disorders may result if the Marshal attempts to make arrests under the court order and if this should occur he anticipates that he may be called upon to assist the Marshal in arresting the demonstrators. McGovern was instructed that it is the responsibility of the Marshal to handle the situation and if the Marshal feels that he does not have sufficient manpower then the Marshal should immediately get in touch with the Department to request that additional manpower be made available. McGovern was instructed that the role of the FBI is limited to observing the occurrences to report the details to the Department and that he should not assist Marshal in arresting demonstrators who may violate the injunction.

Reverend Fred Shuttlesworth told a press conference in Birmingham this morning that the Southern Christian Leadership Conference will obey the injunction and will not demonstrate at schools or block traffic. He added that he considered the injunction to be in violation of the First Amendment and that the matter is under review by Southern Christian

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Memorandum to Mr. DeLoach  
RE: REGISTRAR OF VOTERS

Leadership Conference's legal staff. Shuttlesworth further said that demonstrations will continue until the demands of the Negroes are met. This apparently means that Southern Christian Leadership Conference will attempt to demonstrate in a manner which will not violate the injunction of the court. He added that the demonstrators would not engage in civil disobedience but that marches will continue over the weekend and that there will be all-night vigils.

At 1:00 p. m. Washington time approximately 250 high school students from Ullman High School, a Negro school, were meeting at St. James Church where they were listening to speeches. "Pop" Blanton, Klansman and prime suspect in the Birmingham bombings, has been observed in the vicinity of the St. James Church and is presently under surveillance by Bureau Agents.

b(2) b(7)(D) [REDACTED] advised the Birmingham Office that Martin Luther King called the Southern Christian Leadership Conference office at Birmingham from Atlanta this morning and instructed that no additional marches should be held in Birmingham until King gives the order. He stated that Hosea Williams will be returning to Birmingham 1/14/66 and that King will be in Birmingham 1/15/66. According to [REDACTED] the Southern Christian Leadership Conference leadership is not sponsoring any demonstrations today and any demonstrations that may occur will be spontaneously brought about by the demonstrators.

At Brighton, which is just outside Bessemer, Alabama, 150 to 200 demonstrators have gathered apparently for the purpose of marching into Bessemer. The Brighton police have arrested Stoney Cooke, Southern Christian Leadership Conference leader and charged him with possession of a knife.

ACTION:

The Department is being advised and the Birmingham Office will continue to closely follow the situation and keep the Bureau currently informed of developments.

RE:           BERNARD S. LEE V. CLARENCE M. KELLEY, ET AL.  
              (U.S.D.C, D.C.) CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 76-1185

SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC)  
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Her writing to explain that I told you recently about the divorce. I've been dealing with a view to identifying the brother of [REDACTED] whom she claims has been in a "high executive position" in a [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] was unable to  
[REDACTED] at [REDACTED] but this, too,  
is supposed to be negative.

3. In the circumstances therefore, there does not appear to be any prospect of making headway with the enquiry you originally mentioned to me. Should, however, you obtain any further information throwing light on the identity of [REDACTED] we will be prepared to start all over again.

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RE:           BERNARD S. LEE V. CLARENCE M. KELLEY, ET AL.  
              (U.S.D.C., D.C.) CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 76-1135

SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC)  
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FROM: SAC, CHICAGO (100-35356)

SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
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Re Chicago tels 1/5-1/7/66.

Enclosed for the Bureau are nine copies; for  
Atlanta three, of a self-explanatory letterhead memorandum  
concerning KING and his activities in Chicago during the  
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On 1/5/66 the below listed individuals were advised of the presence of KING in Chicago and of his scheduled departure on 1/7/66:

[REDACTED] Region I, 113th INTC Group;  
[REDACTED] United States Secret Service;  
[REDACTED], United States Attorney's Office, all  
Chicago, Illinois.

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MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
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[REDACTED] advised the Chicago Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) on January 5, 1966, that Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. had arrived in Chicago, at approximately 10:30 A.M. this date, from Atlanta, Georgia. King had arrived in Chicago via Eastern Airlines at O'Hare and was scheduled to spend that evening at the Sahara North Motel, Schiller Park, Illinois, immediately adjacent to O'Hare Airport. b7(D)

On January 6, 1966, [REDACTED] advised that King had scheduled a press conference for the morning of January 7, 1966, at the Sahara North Motel and at this press conference it was understood that King was to discuss the role of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) in eradicating conditions in Chicago creating slums and contributing to the plight of the Negro in this city. [REDACTED] advised that subsequent to his arrival in the Chicago area the preceding day, King reportedly had held a series of meetings with his local SCLC staff workers as well as representatives of local civil rights groups, principally the Coordinating Council of Community Organizations (CCCCO), mapping plans for forthcoming activities in Chicago. [REDACTED] anticipated that the details of the program being prepared by King and his staff would be forthcoming at the press conference scheduled for January 7, 1966. b7(D)

In connection with the above, note that the January 6, 1966 edition of the "Chicago Daily News", a daily Chicago newspaper, page 14, reflects as follows:

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"Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. arrived here Wednesday to help civil rights leaders plan a Spring campaign aimed at solving Chicago racial problems. The Nobel Peace Prize winner, head of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, is expected to be here for two or three days of meetings.

"No public appearances are planned. Local leaders said the planning meetings will be closed to the press.

"Among those attending the sessions are Al Raby, convener of the Co-ordinating Council of Community Organizations, and the Rev. James Bevel, Field Secretary in Chicago for the SCLC....."

The "Chicago Daily News", of January 6, 1966, a subsequent Red Streak edition, page 1, column 5, set forth the following article under the caption, "King Maps Big Rights Drive Here"

This article is as follows:

"The Rev. Martin Luther King says he will conduct a 'very hard drive' here soon to dramatize specific grievances of the city's estimated 300,000 impoverished.

"In a series of closed meetings with local civil rights activists Thursday, the Nobel Peace Prize winner urged a push against slum buildings and segregated education and housing patterns, and a drive for increased job opportunities for Negroes.

"We exist to help the poor articulate, for all Chicago, their story of what it means to be poor," said King.

"The Rev. Andrew J. Young, a top leader in King's Southern Christian Leadership Conference, said King expects to reveal Friday specific campaign plans for Chicago.

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"We expect that Dr. King will be coming to Chicago several times every month for much of the year," Young said.

The SCLC staff has been working on the West Side since August mobilizing impoverished Negroes.

"King met with his leader in this effort, the Rev. James Bevel, several times Wednesday and Thursday.

"Chicago has been picked as one of our key efforts in 1966," Young said. "We expect to get more help in here shortly for Bevel."

"Accompanying King here from his Atlanta headquarters were several top assistants, including the Rev. Ralph Abernethy and the Rev. C.T. Vivian.

"While King's aides said new mass street demonstrations were a possibility, they pledged any held would be nonviolent."

In connection with King's activities in Chicago, during the period January 5 - 7, 1966, the January 7, 1966 edition of the "Chicago Daily News", page 3, column 5, contained a further article captioned, "Clergy All Sought by King Here".

This article contained, in part, the following:

"The Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King plans to seek the aid of Chicago's clergymen in his upcoming battle against slums and segregated housing here.

King said he plans to visit churches and theological seminaries of many denominations seeking recruits.

King said a special appeal would be made to the Roman Catholic Archdiocese headed by Archbishop John J. Cody.

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King is attempting to organize the city's Negro groups to battle for more urban renewal projects, an end to housing segregation and better job opportunities.

He was completing three days in Chicago Friday with several civil rights groups whose cooperation he needs.

The academic drive is scheduled for sometime next winter. Until then, King expects to spend several days a week in Chicago directing the preparations.

He predicted that there will be "confrontations" between the Negro poor and what civil rights leaders called the "white power structure." Exactly how the confrontations will take place - with picket lines, demonstrations, or simply through conferences - hasn't been decided.

King will be in Chicago with meetings referred to in the above paragraph. He is accompanied by representatives of local civil rights groups, including James Bevel, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on January 7, 1968, that King will be in Chicago, January 6, 1968, a meeting featuring King was held at the Washington Park YMCA, 5600 South Indiana Avenue, Chicago. Present at this meeting were some 40 local Chicago civil rights personages, representatives of such groups as the COCC, The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP), The Congress of Racial Equality (CORE), the Chicago Urban League, and the Chicago Black Power's SCLC.

It was noted that King confined himself primarily to reading from a prepared statement, a statement which reportedly has already been circulated to local Chicago news media and was to be made available at a January 7, 1968 press conference. King is to participate in.

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During these remarks King had stated that in his one and one-half days in Chicago he has spent most of his time in conference with representatives of local civil rights organizations and has been able to see and understand Chicago's problems in depth. He pointed out the inequities in housing for Negroes here, the burdens of unemployment, and the general economic exploitation of the Negro, stating that new approaches to the solutions of these problems are now called for. The SCLC program in Chicago is to be based on two main tactics, that of confrontation and a concentration of action.

In the preparation stage of the SCLC program here, which stage we are now in, King stated there is to be a concentration on mobilization of forces, a mobilization which has been in effect since September, 1965, when the first SCLC staff workers arrived in Chicago. Forces to be mobilized by the movement here will be the churches, hopefully a complete involvement of the ministry here, college and high school students, the 100,000 unemployed Negroes, and neighborhoods, the latter term meaning households and families on a door-to-door basis. In connection with the increased effort here, additional SCLC personnel will be sent to Chicago.

The first phase of this developmental approach to action will be that of organizing and educating the people involved to the issues. It is anticipated, according to King, that by March 1, 1966, certain of these key issues will have evolved and be clarified for all concerned, and tactics surrounding these issues will be decided on a day-to-day basis. The possibility of demonstrations, as a tactic to be utilized is very likely. By May 1, 1966, massive direct action, non-violent in nature, should be possible and will be launched around the key issues as enumerated, that is housing, education, unemployment and the like.

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King praised the local civil rights leadership, particularly the CCCO as represented by Raby and his associates, and expressed his full confidence in this leadership. One of the principal reasons Chicago was initially selected as the SCLC northern target was the effect of the CCCO here as the nucleus of an organizational force with which to work.

Other speakers followed King, according to this source, for the elaboration of his working principles as defined previously. It was stated that the activities of the CCCO and the SCLC hereinafter, will be directed under the name of the Chicago Freedom Movement, utilizing a Chicago Freedom Movement Advisory Committee as a steering group. This Committee will be composed principally of the local SCLC and CCCO leadership and although each will remain separate organizationally, they will work jointly through the medium of the Advisory Committee in this Chicago effort. From this steering-type Committee, other subcommittees concerning such matters as research, publicity, fund-raising, etc., will be directed.

One of the other speakers on the program was Reverend Young who advised that King would attempt to spend an increasing amount of time in Chicago during the next few months, hopefully as much as several days a week, actively directing the campaign here. Young emphasized that demonstrations were certainly not the sole tactic to be utilized; however, when the "army" is recruited, it would be used to spotlight various phases of the "slum life" in the Negro ghetto areas, as well as elsewhere.

[REDACTED] advised the Chicago Office of the FBI on January 7, 1966, that he had attended the press conference held on that date, from approximately 11:30 until approximately 12:30 by Dr. King and others of his staff in Chicago. The press conference had been held

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at the Sahara North Motel, Schiller Park, Illinois, and [REDACTED] stated that the remarks and statements made during the course of this press conference, both in prepared form and in answers to various questions, closely paralleled the information set forth in a 13 page press release of the SCLC which was distributed at the time of the press conference. This statement, made available by [REDACTED] is attached to this memorandum. b7(D)

On January 7, 1966, [REDACTED] advised that Dr. King, together with Reverend Young and Bernard Lee, a SCLC official, departed O'Hare Airport at 1:20 P.M., January 7, 1966, via TWA Flight 27Y en route to Los Angeles, California. b7(D)

[REDACTED] advised on January 7, 1966, that to the knowledge of his Unit, there had been no demonstrations or disorders of any type in connection with the presence of King in Chicago during the period January 5 - 7, 1966. b7(D)

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Office of the United States Attorney, Chicago;

Region I, 113th INTC Group, Chicago.

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

EMBARGOED FOR USE AT 11 A.M. FRIDAY, JANUARY 7, 1966

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN OF THE PRESS, WE HAVE INVITED YOU HERE TO ANNOUNCE THE LAUNCHING OF THE FIRST SIGNIFICANT NORTHERN FREEDOM MOVEMENT EVER ATTEMPTED BY MAJOR CIVIL RIGHTS FORCES. THE SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE'S FIRST SUSTAINED NORTHERN MOVEMENT WILL BE DIRECTED AGAINST PUBLIC AND PRIVATE INSTITUTIONS -- WHICH OVER THE YEARS -- HAVE CREATED INFAMOUS SLUM CONDITIONS DIRECTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THE INVOLUNTARY ENSLAVEMENT OF MILLIONS OF BLACK MEN, WOMEN AND CHILDREN.

THIS MOVEMENT WILL BE A MULTI-FACET ASSAULT DIRECTED UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE COORDINATING COUNCIL OF COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS AND THE COMMITTED VETERANS OF SCLC.

OUR PRIMARY OBJECTIVE WILL BE TO BRING ABOUT THE UNCONDITIONAL SURRENDER OF FORCES DEDICATED TO THE CREATION AND MAINTENANCE OF SLUMS AND ULTIMATELY TO MAKE SLUMS A MORAL AND FINANCIAL LIABILITY UPON THE WHOLE COMMUNITY. WE DO NOT HOLD THAT CHICAGO IS ALONE AMONG CITIES WITH A SLUM PROBLEM, BUT CERTAINLY WE KNOW THAT SLUM CONDITIONS HERE, ARE THE PROTOTYPE OF THOSE CHIEFLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THE NORTHERN URBAN RACE PROBLEM.

CHICAGO IS A CITY OF MORE THAN A MILLION NEGROES. FOR ALMOST A CENTURY NOW IT HAS BEEN THE NORTHERN LANDING PLACE FOR SOUTHERN MIGRANTS JOURNEYING UP FROM THE MISSISSIPPI DELTA. IT WAS THE PROMISED LAND FOR THOUSANDS WHO SOUGHT TO ESCAPE THE CRUELITIES OF ALABAMA, MISSISSIPPI AND TENNESSEE: YET, NOW, IN THE YEAR 1966, THE CYCLE HAS ALMOST REVERSED. FACTORIES MOVING SOUTH, EMPLOYMENT AND OPPORTUNITIES ON THE INCREASE, AND RECENT CIVIL RIGHTS LEGISLATION ARE RAPIDLY DISINTEGRATING THE CRUELITIES OF SEGREGATION.



THE SOUTH IS NOW A LAND OF OPPORTUNITY, WHILE THOSE WHO GENERATIONS AGO SAID, "GOING TO CHICAGO, SO RY BUT I CAN'T TAKE YOU," NOW SINK INTO THE DEPTHS OF DESPAIR.

EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES IN CHICAGO, WHILE AN IMPROVEMENT OVER MISSISSIPPI, ARE HARDLY ADEQUATE TO PREPARE NEGROES FOR METROPOLITAN LIFE. A LABOR FORCE OF SOME 300,000 HAVE FOUND LITTLE BEYOND LOW PAYING SERVICE OCCUPATIONS OPEN TO THEM, AND THOSE FEW WHO POSSESS SKILLS AND CRAFTS FIND THEIR RANKS RAPIDLY BEING DEPLETED BY AUTOMATION AND FEW OPPORTUNITIES FOR ADVANCEMENT AND PROMOTION.

IN 1960 NEGROES, WHO REPRESENTED 23 per cent OF THE POPULATION, ACCOUNTED FOR 43 per cent OF THE UNEMPLOYED. THIS WAS NOT INCLUDING THE THOUSANDS OF NEW MIGRANTS AND YOUNG ADULT MALES WHO WERE ENTERING THE LABORING MARKET, BUT WHO HAD NOT YET MADE THEIR WAY TO AN UNEMPLOYMENT OFFICE, KNOWING FULL WELL IN ADVANCE THAT ONLY A FEW DIRTY JOBS WERE AVAILABLE TO THEM.

THOSE FEW NEGROES WHO ARE FORTUNATE ENOUGH TO ACHIEVE PROFESSIONAL AND MANAGERIAL STATUS FIND THEMSELVES VICTIMIZED IN THEIR SEARCH FOR ADEQUATE HOUSING. TWO DISTINCT HOUSING MARKETS MAINTAINED BY CHICAGO REAL ESTATE INTERESTS, ARE CAREFULLY SEPARATE AND CONTROLLED; AND THOSE WHO ARE ABLE TO MAKE WHAT SHOULD BE A LIVING WAGE, FIND THAT THEY HAVE TO PAY 10 TO 20 per cent MORE ON RENTAL OF HOMES, PURCHASE OF PROPERTY, AND INSURANCE AND INTEREST RATES THAN THEIR WHITE COUNTERPARTS.

LANGSTON UGHES ASKS, "WHAT HAPPENS TO A DREAM DEFERRED?" BUT THESE DREAMS WERE NOT DEFERRED, THEY WERE DENIED AND REPUDIATED BY VICIOUS THOUGH SUBTLE PATTERNS OF EXPLOITATION. SO THE DREAMS DO NOT, "DRY UP LIKE RAISINS IN THE SUN."

THEY DECAY LIKE SUN-RIPENED ORANGES THAT ARE DEVoured BY WORMS AND BIRDS UNTIL THEY FALL TO THE GROUND, CREATING A ROTTEN MED MESS. BUT CENTURIES AGO VICTOR HUGO PROCLAIMED THAT, "WHEN MEN ARE IN DARKNESS, THERE WILL BE CRIME; BUT THOSE WHO HAVE PLACED THEM IN DARKNESS ARE AS MUCH RESPONSIBLE FOR THE CRIME AS THOSE WHO COMMIT IT."

AND SO THE SOCIAL CONSEQUENCES OF OUR REPUDIATED DREAMS, DENIED OPPORTUNITIES AND FRUSTRATED ASPIRATIONS ARE VERY MUCH PRESENT.

DURING THE PAST TWO YEARS THERE HAS BEEN A CONSCIENTIOUS AND CREATIVE ATTEMPT TO DRAMATIZE THE EVILS OF THES SYSTEM OF NORTHERN SEGREGATION. CCCO AND ITS MEMBER GROUPS HAVE WORKED IN A UNITED ACTION PROGRAM AND THROUGH INDEPENDENT ORGANIZATIONAL ACTIVITIES TO CALL ATTENTION TO THE VARIOUS SORE SPOTS IN CHICAGO SOCIETY. NEGOTIATIONS HAVE TAKEN PLACE WITH THE SCHOOL BOARD, CITY OFFICIALS, LABOR MOVEMENT, REAL ESTATE INTERESTS AND MANY OTHER POINTS OF POWER IN THE HIGH COMMAND OF CHICAGO METROPOLITAN LIFE. THESE EFFORTS REPRESENT THE FOUNDATION STONES UPON WHICH ANY MOVEMENT MUST BUILD. THE CCCO "GET RID OF WILLIS CAMPAIGN" IS AS SIGNIFICANT AS ANY CAMPAIGN EVER ORGANIZED IN THIS COUNTRY. A SIMILAR CAMPAIGN HELD IN FORT WAYNE, INDIANA, LOUISVILLE, KENTUC KENTUCKY, OR ATLANTA, GEORGIA, WOULD HAVE INDEED MET WITH UN UNPARALLELED SUCCESS IN THE AREA OF SCHOOL DESEGREGATION; BUT BEFORE THE GOLIATH OF CHICAGO THEIR EFFORTS MADE ONLY LIMITED IMPACT.

THE PROBLEMS OF CHICAGO, INDEED THE PROBLEMS OF THE NORTHERN CITY, DEMAND SOMETHING NEW.

IN OUR WORK IN THE SOUTH TWO PRINCIPLES HAVE EMERGED. ONE, THE CRYSTALIZATION OF ISSUES, AND TWO, THE CONCENTRATION OF ACTION.

IN BIRMINGHAM WE CONFRONTED THE CITADEL OF SOUTHERN SEGREGATION. IN 1963 NOT ONE ASPECT OF BIRMINGHAM COMMUNITY LIFE WAS DESEGREGATED. IN APPROACHING THIS COMPLEX SEGREGATED SOCIETY, THE ISSUE WAS SIMPLIFIED DELIBERATELY TO: SEGREGATION. EARLY NEWSPAPER CRITIQUES CHALLENGED THE SIMPLIFICATION AND OFFERED A THOUSAND RATIONALIZATIONS AS TO WHY SUCH COMPLEX PROBLEMS COULD NOT BE DEALT WITH SO SIMPLY AND SUGGESTED A HUNDRED MORE "MODERATE, RESPONSIBLE" METHODS OF DEALING WITH OUR GRIEVANCES. YET IT WAS THE SIMPLIFICATION OF THE ISSUE TO THE POINT WHERE EVERY CITIZEN OF GOOD WILL, BLACK AND WHITE, NORTH AND SOUTH, COULD RESPOND AND IDENTIFY THAT ULTIMATELY MADE BIRMINGHAM THE WATERSHED MOVEMENT IN THE HISTORY OF THE CIVIL RIGHTS STRUGGLE.

THE SECOND POINT WAS THE CONCENTRATION OF ACTION, AND WE CHOSE LUNCH COUNTERS, A TARGET WHICH SEEMED TO MOST SOCIAL ANALYSTS THE LEAST SIGNIFICANT BUT ONE TO WHICH MOST PEOPLE COULD RALLY. IT WAS A TARGET WHEREIN ONE MIGHT ACHIEVE SOME MEASURE OF CHANGE YET WHICH SUFFICIENTLY INVOLVED THE LINES OF ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL POWER TO A POINT BEYOND ITSELF--TO THE LARGER PROBLEM.

THE CONCENTRATION OF ACTION LED TO AN IMMEDIATE LOCAL VICTORY AT THE LEVEL OF THE LUNCH COUNTER, BUT POINTED BEYOND THE LUNCH COUNTER TO THE TOTAL PROBLEM OF SOUTHERN SEGREGATION AND PRODUCED A TEN-TITLE LEGISLATIVE VICTORY ON A NATIONAL LEVEL IN THE CIVIL RIGHTS ACT OF 1964.

FOR THE PAST MONTHS THE SCLC STAFF HAS BEEN WORKING IN CHICAGO TRYING TO APPLY THE SCLC NONVIOLENT PHILOSOPHY TO THE PROBLEMS OF CHICAGO. THEIR WORK HAS BEEN CONCERNED WITH STRENGTHENING COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS AND RECRUITING NEW FORCES TO JOIN IN A NONVIOLENT MOVEMENT, BUT THEY HAVE ALSO GIVEN A GREAT DEAL OF THOUGHT TO THE CRYSTALIZATION AND DEFINITION OF THE PROBLEM IN CHICAGO IN TERMS WHICH CAN BE COMMUNICATED TO THE MAN ON THE STREET, WHO IS MOST AFFECTED.

THE CHICAGO PROBLEM IS SIMPLY A MATTER OF ECONOMIC EXPLOITATION. EVERY CONDITION EXISTS SIMPLY BECAUSE SOMEONE PROFITS BY ITS EXISTENCE. THIS ECONOMIC EXPLOITATION IS CRYSTALLIZED IN THE SLUM.

A SLUM IS ANY AREA WHICH IS EXPLOITED BY THE COMMUNITY AT LARGE OR AN AREA WHERE FREE TRADE AND EXCHANGE OF CULTURE AND RESOURCES IS NOT ALLOWED TO EXIST. IN A SLUM, PEOPLE DO NOT RECEIVE COMPARABLE CARE AND SERVICES FOR THE AMOUNT OF RENT PAID ON A DWELLING. THEY ARE FORCED TO PURCHASE PROPERTY AT INFLATED REAL ESTATE VALUE. THEY PAY TAXES, BUT THEIR CHILDREN DO NOT RECEIVE AN EQUITABLE SHARE OF THOSE TAXES IN EDUCATIONAL, RECREATIONAL AND CIVIC SERVICES. THEY MAY LEAVE THE COMMUNITY AND ACQUIRE PROFESSIONAL TRAINING, SKILLS, OR CRAFTS, BUT SELDOM ARE THEY ABLE TO FIND EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES COMMENSURATE WITH THESE SKILLS. AND IN THE RARE OCCASIONS WHEN THEY DO, OPPORTUNITIES FOR ADVANCEMENT AND PROMOTION ARE RESTRICTED. THIS MEANS THAT IN PROPORTION TO THE LABOR, MONEY AND INTELLECT WHICH THE SLUM POURS INTO THE COMMUNITY AT LARGE, ONLY A SMALL PORTION IS RECEIVED IN RETURN BENEFITS. THE REV. JAMES BEVEL AND OUR CHICAGO STAFF HAVE COME TO SEE THIS AS A SYSTEM OF INTERNAL COLONIALISM, NOT UNLIKE THE EXPLOITATION OF THE CONGO

THIS SITUATION IS TRUE ONLY FOR NEGROES. A NEIGHBORHOOD OF POLISH CITIZENS MIGHT LIVE TOGETHER IN A GIVEN GEOGRAPHIC AREA, BUT THAT GEOGRAPHIC AREA ENTERS INTO FREE EXCHANGE WITH THE COMMUNITY AT LARGE; AND AT ANY TIME SERVICES IN THAT AREA DETERIORATE, THE CITIZENS ARE FREE TO MOVE TO OTHER AREAS WHERE STANDARDS OF HEALTH, EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT ARE MAINTAINED.

AS WE DEFINE AND INTERPRET THE DYNAMICS OF THE SLUM, WE SEE THE TOTAL PATTERN OF ECONOMIC EXPLOITATION UNDER WHICH NEGROES SUFFER IN CHICAGO AND OTHER NORTHERN CITIES.

1) EDUCATION:

\$266 PER YEAR IS THE AVERAGE INVESTMENT PER NEGRO CHILD; PER WHITE PUPIL IT IS \$366 IN THE CITY OF CHICAGO. SUBURBAN COMMUNITIES SPEND ANYWHERE FROM \$450 TO \$900 PER PUPIL ANNUALLY. HENCE, SLUM EDUCATION IS DESIGNED TO PERPETUATE THE INFERIOR STATUS OF SLUM CHILDREN AND PREPARE THEM ONLY FOR MENIAL JOBS IN THE SAME WAY THAT THE SOUTH AFRICAN APARTHEID EDUCATIONALLY PHILOSOPHY DOES FOR THE AFRICAN.

2) BUILDING TRADES UNIONS:

BUILDING TRADES UNIONS BAR NEGROES FROM MANY EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES WHICH COULD EASILY BE LEARNED BY PERSONS WITH LIMITED ACADEMIC TRAINING.

3) REAL ESTATE:

REAL ESTATE BOARDS RESTRICT THE SUPPLY OF HOUSING AVAILABLE TO NEGROES TO THE RESULT THAT NEGRO FAMILIES PAY AN AVERAGE \$20 PER MONTH MORE IN RENT AND RECEIVE FEWER SERVICES THAN PERSONS IN OTHER NEIGHBORHOODS.

#### 4) BANKS AND MORTGAGE COMPANIES:

BANKS AND MORTGAGE COMPANIES CHARGE HIGHER INTEREST RATES AND IN MANY INSTANCES EVEN REFUSE TO FINANCE REAL ESTATE IN SLUM COMMUNITIES AND TRANSITIONAL COMMUNITIES, MAKING THE AREA EASY PREY FOR LOAN SHARKS.

#### 5) SLUM LANDLORDS:

SLUM LANDLORDS FIND A MOST LUCRATIVE RETURN ON A MINIMUM INVESTMENT DUE TO INEFFICIENT ENFORCEMENT OF CITY BUILDING CODES AS WELL AS INADEQUATE BUILDING CODES, OVER-CROWDING OF LIVING SPACE, AND A TAX STRUCTURE ON SLUM PROPERTY WHICH MEANS THE MORE YOU LET THE BUILDING RUN DOWN, THE LESS YOU PAY IN TAXES.

#### 6) THE WELFARE SYSTEM:

THE WELFARE SYSTEM CONTRIBUTES TO THE BREAKDOWN OF FAMILY LIFE BY MAKING IT MORE DIFFICULT TO OBTAIN MONEY IF THE FATHER IS IN THE HOUSEHOLD AND SUBJECTS FAMILIES TO A DEHUMANIZED EXISTENCE AT THE HAND OF AN IMPERSONAL SELF-PERPETUATING BUREAUCRACY. BUREAUCRACY.

#### 7) FEDERAL HOUSING AGENCIES:

FEDERAL HOUSING AGENCIES WILL NOT INSURE LOANS FOR PURCHASING REAL ESTATE IN NEGRO COMMUNITIES AND MAKE LITTLE OR NO MONEY AVAILABLE FOR FINANCING ANY LOW-COST HOUSING OR RENOVATION OF PRESENT HOUSING.

#### 8) THE COURTS:

THE COURTS ARE ORGANIZED AS A TOOL OF THE ECONOMIC STRUCTURE AND POLITICAL MACHINE. MANY JUDGES ARE POLITICAL APPOINTEES AND SUBJECT TO POLITICAL INFLUENCE.

## 9) THE POLICE:

THE POLICE ARE LITTLE MORE THAN "ENFORCERS" OF THE PRESENT SYSTEM OF EXPLOITATION AND OFTEN DEMONSTRATE PARTICULAR CONTEMPT FOR POOR NEGROES, SO THAT THEY ARE DEPRIVED OF ANY SENSE OF HUMAN DIGNITY AND THE STATUS OF CITIZENSHIP IN ORDER THAT THEY MAY BE CONTROLLED AND "KEPT IN LINE."

## 10) THE POLITICAL SYSTEM:

THE ESTABLISHED POLITICAL SYSTEM DEPRIVES NEGROES OF POLITICAL POWER AND, THROUGH PATRONAGE AND PRESSURE, ROBS THE COMMUNITY OF ITS DEMOCRATIC VOICE.

## 11) THE CITY ADMINISTRATION:

THE CITY ADMINISTRATION REFUSES TO RENDER ADEQUATE SERVICES TO THE NEGRO COMMUNITY. STREET CLEANING, GARBAGE COLLECTION AND POLICE PROTECTION ARE OFFERED MENIALLY, IF AT ALL.

## 12) THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT:

THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT HAS YET TO INITIATE A CREATIVE ATTEMPT TO DEAL WITH THE PROBLEMS OF MEGALOPOLITAN LIFE AND THE RESULTS OF THE PAST THREE CENTURIES OF SLAVERY AND SEGREGATION ON NEGROES.

THERE ARE TWO POSSIBLE WAYS TO CONCENTRATE ON THE PROBLEMS OF THE SLUM: ONE WOULD BE TO FOCUS ON A SINGLE ISSUE, BUT CCCO AND SCLC CHOOSE TO CONCENTRATE ALL OF OUR FORCES AND MOVE IN CONCERT WITH A NONVIOLENT ARMY ON EACH AND EVERY ISSUE.

IN CHICAGO WE ARE FACED WITH THE PROBABILITY OF A READY ACCOMODATION TO MANY OF THE ISSUES IN SOME TOKEN MANNER, MERELY TO CURTAIL THE MASSING OF FORCES AND PUBLIC OPINION AROUND THOSE ISSUES. THEREFORE, WE ARE PREPARED TO CONCENTRATE ALL OF OUR FORCES AROUND ANY AND ALL ISSUES.

PRESENTLY OUR MOVEMENT CONSTITUTES THE MEMBER ORGANIZATIONS OF CCCO AND THE STAFF RESOURCES OF SCLC. SOME TIME HAS BEEN SPENT STRENGTHENING AND ORIENTING THESE PRESENT FORCES, BUT THEY MUST BE SUPPLEMENTED IMMEDIATELY BY ADDITIONAL POWER FACTORS WHICH WILL HELP US ORGANIZE AND RAISE ISSUES BEFORE THE ENTIRE CHICAGO COMMUNITY.

FOREMOST AMONG THESE POWER FACTORS IS THE CHURCH. THE CHURCH CONSTITUTES A READY ALLY FOR A NONVIOLENT MOVEMENT, BECAUSE BASICALLY WE ARE RAISING QUESTIONS OF HUMAN RIGHTS FOR THOSE WHO ARE NUMBERED AMONG THE CHILDREN OF GOD BUT WHO HAVE BEEN DENIED THESE RIGHTS BY THE STRUCTURES OF OUR SOCIETY.

PHASE ONE OF OUR MULTI FACET ASSAULT IS BASED UPON THE PRINCIPLE THAT BEFORE PEOPLE CAN BE COUNTED ON TO ACT, THEY MUST HAVE A FULL UNDERSTANDING OF THE "SLUM COLONY" AND THE RESULTING SLUM PSYCHOLOGY, WHICH LULLS US INTO A SOMNOLENCE OF DESPAIR.

THUS, OUR PROGRAM DURING THE NEXT TWO MONTHS IS GEARED TOWARD DEFINING THE PROBLEM OF SLUMS TO AS MANY PEOPLE AS POSSIBLE, CREATING IN THEM THE DEPTH OF UNDERSTANDING AND THE PERSONAL COMMITMENT WHICH WILL ENABLE THEM TO ACT.

DURING THE MONTH OF JANUARY AN EFFORT WILL BE MADE TO INVOLVE EVERY MINISTER IN THE CITY IN AT LEAST AN INFORMATIONAL MEETING CONCERNING THE PLANS FOR A NONVIOLENT MOVEMENT IN CHICAGO. THIS WILL BE ACCOMPLISHED THROUGH MEETINGS WITH EXISTING MINISTERS CONFERENCES, CONVOCATIONS AT SEMINARIES IN THE AREA, AND SPECIAL EFFORTS TO REACH THE ROMAN CATHOLIC COMMUNITY THROUGH THE CATHOLIC INTERRACIAL COUNCIL AND THE OFFICES OF THE INTERRACIAL COUNCIL AND THE OFFICES OF THE ARCHDIOCESE.



NEGRO MINISTERS WILL BE INTRODUCED TO SCLC'S OPERATION BREADBASKET CONCEPT, WHICH IN ATLANTA, GEORGIA, ALONE, HAS A ADDED FIFTEEN MILLION DOLLARS TO THE NEGRO COMMUNITY'S PURCHASING POWER BY OBTAINING JOBS. THE BREADBASKET CONCEPT IS A SIMPLE ONE IN WHICH A NEGRO MINISTER PUTS PRESSURE ON EMPLOYERS TO HIRE AND UPGRADE MORE NEGROES, ESPECIALLY MEMBERS OF THEIR OWN CONGREGATIONS.

OTHER ORIENTATION AND INDOCTRINATION METHODS SHALL INCLUDE:

THE ESTABLISHED OF UNIONS TO END SLUMS. THESE NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZATIONS WILL SERVE AS A NETWORK OF PROTECTION AGAINST INJUSTICE IN HOUSING, AND AS A POTENTIAL SOURCE OF ECONOMIC POWER. THE UNIONS TO END SLUMS ARE BEING ORGANIZED ON A DOOR-TO-DOOR BASIS TO BARGAIN COLLECTIVELY WITH LANDLORDS AND THE

CITY IN AN EFFORT TO CHANGE THE CONDITIONS WHICH CREATE SLUMS. ULTIMATELY THEY WILL PROVIDE PROTECTION AGAINST EVICTION AND EXPLOITATION AND HELP RESOLVE MANY IMMEDIATE PROBLEMS. THEIR MAIN FUNCTION HOWEVER, IS TO BAND TOGETHER TO DEMAND THAT THE CONDITIONS WHICH CREATE SLUMS BE ENDED. THIS ALSO WILL BE A TREMENDOUS POWER IN DEALING WITH BOTH POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC FACTORS WHICH AFFECT LIFE IN THE SLUMS.

EXPLORATIONS ARE ALREADY UNDERWAY IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF UNIONS IN LONGDALE, EAST GARFIELD PARK, KENWOOD AND ENGLEWOOD.

STUDENTS IN THE 51 COLLEGES IN THE CHICAGO AREA ARE ANOTHER POTENTIAL FORCE FOR THE MOVEMENT. WE CONSIDER THE ENTIRE NEGRO HIGH SCHOOL POPULATION AS AN AVAILABLE FORCE TO BE MOBILIZED. THIS MOBILIZATION WILL BE CARRIED OUT BY CONCENTRATING FIRST ON KEY AREA SCHOOLS (AREAS TO BE DEFINED) WITH THE UNDERSTANDING THAT CONTACTS ARE BEING MADE IN OTHER SCHOOLS WHO MAY BE ORGANIZED FOR SUPPORTING ACTION IN A FEW

THERE ARE SOME 100,000 UNEMPLOYED NEGROES IN THE CITY OF CHICAGO, A CONSIDERABLE PERCENTAGE OF THESE ARE YOUNG MEN BETWEEN THE AGES OF 16 and 25. MANY OF THESE ARE IN GANGS OR ARE DRIFTING IDLY FROM CORNER TO CORNER. THIS GROUP MUST BE MOBILIZED INTO AN ACTION UNIT, PREPARED TO DEMONSTRATE WHENEVER THE OCCASION SEEMS TACTICALLY IMPORTANT. THEIR ORGANIZATION MUST BE IN THEIR OWN BEHALF AND MUST FOCUS ON MEANINGFUL EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES THROUGH WHICH THEY MIGHT ACHIEVE ACTIVE PARTICIPATION IN OUR SOCIETY.

IN OUR PRESENT UNDERSTANDING OF THE NATURE OF SLUMS AND THE NATURE OF A MOVEMENT, THE TASK OF DEVELOPING AN ACTION PROGRAM WHICH INVOLVES THE WHOLE OF CHICAGO AND ENCOMPASSES MANY ISSUES SHOULD NOT BE TOO DIFFICULT. FROM THE BASES OF POWER, ENCOMPASSED IN A VIABLE NONVIOLENT MOVEMENT, WE WILL HAVE FORCES WHICH CAN BE MOBILIZED TO DRAMATIZE ISSUES AS THEY OCCUR.

DURING THE FIRST PHASE OF THE MOVEMENT ORGANIZATION AND EDUCATION ARE THE PRIMARY PURPOSES. THIS WILL BE DONE LARGELY THROUGH MASS MEETINGS, NEIGHBORHOOD RALLIES AND WORK SHOPS AND SHOULD CONTINUE THROUGH THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY. DEMONSTRATIONS MUST BE THOUGHT OF AS EDUCATIONAL AND ORGANIZATIONAL TOOLS, AND THERE MAY BE SOME OCCASIONS WHICH CALL FOR DEMONSTRATIONS. WHEN THIS IS THE CASE, IT MUST BE CLEAR THAT THE PURPOSE OF THE DEMONSTRATION IS TO DRAMATIZE AND SO DEFINE THIS INCIDENT AS ONE LINK IN THE CHAIN OF ECONOMIC EXPLOITATION WHICH OCCURS IN SLUM LIFE.

PHASE TWO: BY THE FIRST OF MARCH, COMMUNITY RESPONSE AND LIVE ISSUES SHOULD HAVE EVOLVED TO THE POINT WHERE SOME CONSENSUS HAS BEEN REACHED AROUND SPECIFIC TARGETS.

AT THIS POINT WE SHOULD BE ABLE TO DEVELOP THE DETAILED DAY-BY-DAY STRATEGY WHICH WOULD SEEK TO DEMONSTRATE THE TOTAL CHAIN WHICH ENSLAVES US. DEMONSTRATIONS SHOULD BE SCHEDULED AT POINTS WHICH SHOULD REVEAL THE AGENTS OF EXPLOITATION AND PAINT A PORTRAIT OF THE EVILS WHICH BESET US IN SUCH A MANNER THAT IT IS CLEAR THE WORLD OVER WHAT MAKES UP A SLUM AND WHAT IT IS THAT DESTROYS THE PEOPLE WHO ARE FORCED TO LIVE IN A SLUM.

PHASE THREE: BY THE FIRST OF MAY WE SHOULD BE READY TO LAUNCH THE PHASES OF MASSIVE ACTION, BUT JUST AS NO ONE KNEW ON JANUARY 2, 1965, THAT THERE WOULD BE A MARCH FROM SELMA TO MONTGOMERY BY MARCH OF THAT YEAR, SO NOW WE ARE IN NO POSITION TO KNOW WHAT FORM MASSIVE ACTION MIGHT TAKE IN CHICAGO, HOWEVER, AS WE BEGIN TO DRAMATIZE THE SITUATION, WE WILL BE LED INTO FORMS OF DEMONSTRATION WHICH WILL CREATE THE KIND OF COALITION OF CONSCIENCE WHICH IS NECESSARY TO PRODUCE CHANGE IN THIS COUNTRY.

OUR OBJECTIVES IN THIS MOVEMENT ARE FEDERAL, STATE AND LOCAL. ON THE FEDERAL LEVEL WE WOULD HOPE TO GET THE KIND OF COMPREHENSIVE LEGISLATION WHICH WOULD MEET THE PROBLEMS OF SLUM LIFE ACROSS THE NATION. AT THE STATE LEVEL, WE SHOULD EXPECT THE KINDS OF TAX REFORMS, UPDATING OF BUILDING CODES, OPEN OCCUPANCY LEGISLATION AND ENFORCEMENT OF EXISTING STATUTES FOR THE PROTECTION OF OUR CITIZENS.

ON THE LOCAL LEVEL WE WOULD HOPE TO CREATE THE KIND OF AWARENESS IN PEOPLE THAT WOULD MAKE IT IMPOSSIBLE FOR THEM TO BE ENSLAVED OR ABUSED AND CREATE FOR THEM THE KIND OF DEMOCRATIC STRUCTURES WHICH WILL ENABLE THEM TO CONTINUALLY DEAL WITH THE PROBLEMS OF SLUMLIFE.. AMONG THESE WOULD BE ACTIVE COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS, A COORDINATED AND POWERFUL CIVIL RIGHTS MOVEMENT,

RELIGIOUS INSTITUTIONS WHICH ARE PREPARED TO MINISTER TO PERSONS IN URBAN SOCIETY AS WELL AS TO THE STRUCTURES OF THAT SOCIETY. WE WOULD ALSO HOPE THAT FROM THIS WOULD EMERGE SEVERAL PILOT PROJECTS AND INSTITUTIONS WHICH MIGHT BE OF SOME PERMANENT SIGNIFICANCE.

THERE ARE VERY FEW CULTURAL, RECREATIONAL AND VOCATIONAL FACILITIES AVAILABLE TO YOUTH IN THIS COUNTRY TO MATCH THE KINDS OF SPORTS PAVILIONS WHICH EXIST IN OTHER COUNTRIES OF THE WORLD. ONE NEED ONLY THINK OF WHAT IT WOULD HAVE MEANT TO NEW YORK CITY'S HARLEM AND THE WHOLE WORLD HAD NEW YORK'S LINCOLN CENTER BEEN CONSTRUCTED BETWEEN CENTRAL PARK AND 125th STREET. A WHOLE REGION WOULD HAVE BEEN RECLAIMED. PERHAPS THE CITY OF CHICAGO MIGHT BE INFLUENCED TO DEVOTE A SIMILAR PORTION OF ITS RESOURCES TO THE CULTURAL AND RECREATIONAL LIFE OF ITS UNDER PRIVILEGED YOUTH AND CENTERS LIKE LINCOLN CENTER IN NEW YORK OR OPPORTUNITIES INDUSTRIALIZATION CENTERS OF PHILADELPHIA MIGHT BE OUTGROWTHS OF OUR YEARS OF MOVEMENT IN CHICAGO.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-106670)  
FROM: SAC, ATLANTA (100-5586)  
RE: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
SM - C

Re Los Angeles airtel 1/11/66 captioned as above.

Referenced airtel refers to one J. T. JOHNSON  
and requests Atlanta to determine the identity of this  
individual.

To facilitate efforts to identify JOHNSON,  
Los Angeles is requested to advise whether this individual  
was white or Negro.

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RE:

BERNARD S. LEE V. CLARENCE M. KELLEY, ET AL.  
(U.S.D.C., D.C.) CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 76-1185

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

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SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC)  
V. CLARENCE M. KELLEY, ET AL (U.S.D.C., D.C.)  
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Airtel

To: SAC, Richmond

From: Director, FBI

UNSUB; aka, [REDACTED]  
ALLEGED PLOT TO ASSASSINATE  
MARTIN LUTHER KING  
RACIAL MATTERS (ORGANIZATION)

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RePHtel 1/12/66, airmail copies to Washington Field,  
Richmond, Atlanta, and Savannah.

Referenced teletype noted that [REDACTED] Pennsylvania,  
advised the Wilkes-Barre Resident Agency [REDACTED]  
that during a recent visit to American Nazi Party (ANP) head-  
quarters, Arlington, Virginia, he learned that George Lincoln  
Rockwell will speak this week somewhere in Georgia on the same  
agenda as Martin Luther King.

[REDACTED] noted that on this occasion King will be  
assassinated by ANP member. [REDACTED] described as  
a white male, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] allegedly to utilize a .303 Enfield Rifle  
with a telescopic lens. [REDACTED] admitted drinking "heavily"  
prior to contact with Bureau but affirms his story is true.

[REDACTED] claims he saw a large quantity of firearms,  
particularly machine guns, stored by Rockwell at ANP "barracks"  
on Randolph Street, Arlington, Virginia.

- 1 - Atlanta
- 1 - Savannah
- 1 - Washington Field
- 1 - 100-106670 (Martin Luther King, SM-C)

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SEE NOTE PAGE TWO

DUPLICATE YELLOW

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Airtel to SAC, Richmond  
RE: UNSUB; aka, [REDACTED]  
ALLEGED PLOT TO ASSASSINATE  
MARTIN LUTHER KING

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[REDACTED] Bufiles contain no reference or record of [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] or [REDACTED]

Through appropriate sources, Richmond should immediately determine whether Rockwell has any speaking engagements in Georgia, in the near future and also furnish Bureau any information regarding [REDACTED] or [REDACTED]

NOTE:

Pursuant to Bureau policy, Philadelphia has furnished this information to Atlanta in order that the Atlanta Police Department may be notified. King is currently in Atlanta. We do not notify King regarding such threats.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-106670)  
 FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-57229) (P)  
 RE: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
 SM - C

Re Los Angeles teletypes to Director and Atlanta  
 dated 1/7/66 and 1/11/66.

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are 8 copies  
 of a LHM reflecting KING's arrival and departure from  
 Los Angeles. Also enclosed for Atlanta are two copies  
 of above LHM.

First source referred [redacted] and the  
 second source is [redacted] Los  
 Angeles and [redacted] Los Angeles.  
 It was deemed advisable to conceal the above sources,  
 with whom the Los Angeles Office has had previous contact.

Concerning J. T. JOHNSON who accompanied KING  
 and his party back to Atlanta, the indices of the Los  
 Angeles Office contain no identifying data concerning  
 him and it would appear that he may be from the Atlanta  
 area or from some place other than Los Angeles as he  
 apparently was with KING and his party for part of the  
 time, at least at the Hyatt House.

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Special Agent in Charge

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and will furnish the Los Angeles Office a copy of the identity of these subscribers as soon as it is completed. On receipt of this information, Los Angeles will furnish the Bureau and Atlanta with the identity of the subscribers to any pertinent numbers.

Atlanta is requested to determine the identity of J. T. JOHNSON if his identity is not already known to that Office.



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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Los Angeles, California

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MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
SECURITY MATTER - C

A source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on January 7, 1966, that MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., President, Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), and two of his aides, ANDREW J. YOUNG and BERNARD LEE, arrived at International Airport, Los Angeles, at 3:10 PM on January 7, 1966, via TWA Flight 27 from Chicago. No one was observed to meet KING and his party at the airport and no representatives of the press or other news media were observed meeting KING and apparently they were not aware of his arrival in Los Angeles.

KING and his party rented a car from Avis Rent-A-Car, a late model Plymouth, California license RTJ 789, departing from the airport soon after their arrival and indicating that they were going to the Statler Hilton Hotel in downtown Los Angeles, but instead they registered at the Hyatt House, 5547 West Century Boulevard, Los Angeles, near the International Airport, occupying Rooms 217, 220, and 221.

This source further advised that the Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) intended to give KING around-the-clock security coverage during his stay in Los Angeles by assigning two or three men to this detail.

Source further advised on January 10, 1966, that the Reverend THOMAS KILGORE, JR., Western Representative for the SCLC in Los Angeles, had stated that the purpose of KING's visit to Los Angeles was to "rest," and no publicity would be given out concerning his visit. KILGORE did not indicate that KING would

ENCLOSURE

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

hold any meetings with civil rights leaders or anyone else while in Los Angeles.

Another source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on January 11, 1966, that KING, YOUNG, LEE and one J. T. JOHNSON, departed Los Angeles International Airport at 1:40 AM on January 11, 1966 via Delta Airlines, Flight 820, scheduled to arrive at Atlanta, Georgia at 9:35 AM, Atlanta time.

In making his reservation, J. T. JOHNSON gave the Hyatt House as his telephone number, Room 217, and he also furnished the telephone number of 731-2456, which is the phone for the SCLC Office, 2400 South Western Avenue, Los Angeles.

The first source advised that J. T. JOHNSON was not registered at the Hyatt House, although he was known to be there at least part of the time while KING and his party were registered there.

It is noted that no publicity was given KING's visit to Los Angeles through the press, radio, or any other news media.

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Mr. Callahan	_____
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TO DIRECTOR (100-106670)

FROM CHICAGO (100-35356) 1P

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. SMC.

b7(D) RE CHICAGO TELETYPE DATED JANUARY ELEVEN, NINETEEN SIXTY SIX.

[REDACTED] ADVISED JANUARY THIRTEEN INSTANT, THAT NEITHER KING NOR DICK GREGORY APPEARED AT MEETING REFERRED TO IN REFERENCED TELETYPE. MEETING TOOK PLACE AND COVERED BY [REDACTED]

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TO DIRECTOR AND CHICAGO

FROM ATLANTA 121515

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. SM-C.

RE CHICAGO TELETYPE JANUARY 11 LAST.

ATLANTA HAS RECEIVED NO INFORMATION THAT SUBJECT CONTEMPLATES VISITING CHICAGO JANUARY 12 OR 13, 1966.

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              (U.S.D.C., D.C.) CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 75-1185

SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC)  
V. CLARENCE M. KELLEY, ET AL (U.S.D.C., D.C.)  
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**[REDACTED]**  
Clovis, California 93612

Dear **[REDACTED]**

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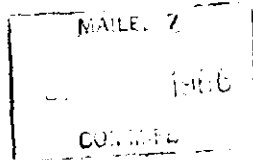
Your letter of January 7th has been received.

With respect to your inquiry, information contained in the files of the FBI must be maintained as confidential in accordance with regulations of the Department of Justice. I trust you understand the necessary reasons for this policy and why I cannot furnish you the data you desire.

With regard to your request, I did not write the book entitled "The Enemy Within." In view of your interest, you may wish to refer to my books, "Masters of Deceit" and "A Study of Communism." These were written to help readers gain an insight into the true nature of communist activities, both in this country and abroad. They may be available at your local library.

Enclosed is literature which I hope you will enjoy reading.

Sincerely yours,  
J. Edgar Hoover



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Enclosures (2)  
Faith of Free Men  
Communism and the Knowledge to Combat It!

NOTE: Correspondent is not identifiable in Bufiles. "The Enemy Within" was written by Robert F. Kennedy.

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January 7, 1965

Mr. J Edgar Hoover  
Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D. C.

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Dear Mr. Hoover:

I have always considered myself to be a loyal American, I served my country in the service for four years and I am against any movement of any kind that is trying to overthrow our government. But I have just very recently become a CONCERNED American.

I was untill recently just an average American who left the running of our country to the other fellow. But it now seems to me that the other fellow is doing a lousy job or running our country, and that we seem to be drifting toward communism. This frightens me. I have children and I want them to grow up in a world such as I grew up in, in a country that is Free.

I would very much appreciate it if you could tell me where I can get a copy for your book, "The Enemy Within". I am sorry to say that it is not in our library. I am not asking for a free copy, I simply would like to know where I can get one. Also a list of books which will help me to understand the conspiracy against us.

I have in the past expressed the belief that Martin L. King was slightly red, I have talked with several people lately who claim that he is definately a communist. Can you please send me any documentation that will either prove or disprove this.

Thank you very much for your consideration. A CONCERNED AMERICAN.

clovis, California 93022

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