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E F T O

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

FOR INFORMATION RECIPIENTS, THE DEPARTMENT'S OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY (OPR) TASK FORCE HAS BEEN REVIEWING OUR SECURITY INVESTIGATION AND OUR INVESTIGATION INVOLVING THE ASSASSINATION OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. OPR PERSONNEL ADVISED THAT THEY INTEND TO INTERVIEW SEVERAL FORMER BUREAU OFFICIALS. THE INTERVIEWS WILL BE CONCERNED WITH ASCERTAINING WHY CERTAIN INSTRUCTIONS AND ACTIONS WERE ISSUED FROM FBIHQ TO THE FIELD AND OTHER ASPECTS OF THE SUPERVISION OF THE MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., INVESTIGATION.

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THE DEPARTMENT IS GOING TO INTERVIEW THE FOLLOWING FORMER BUREAU OFFICIALS: MR. A. BELMONT, FORMER ASSISTANT TO THE DIRECTOR, 240 CHATHAM WAY, MOUNTAIN VIEW, CALIFORNIA, 94040; MR. F.J. BAUMGARDNER, FORMER SECTION CHIEF, 3915 TAYLOR BOULEVARD, LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY, 40215; MR. W.C. SULLIVAN, FORMER ASSISTANT TO THE DIRECTOR, SUNSET ROAD, SUGAR HILL, NEW HAMPSHIRE, 03585; MR. C. D. DELOACH, FORMER ASSISTANT TO THE DIRECTOR, PERKINSCOAD, GREENWICH, CONNECTICUT, 06830; MR. G.H. SCATTERDAY, FORMER SECTION CHIEF, 5911 OSCEOLA ROAD, WASHINGTON, D.C., 20016; MR. J. W. BROWN, FORMER SECTION CHIEF, 10621 MANTZ ROAD, SILVER SPRING, MARYLAND, 20903; AND MR. C.L. MCGOWAN, FORMER SECTION CHIEF, 3111 63RD PLACE, CHEVERLY, MARYLAND, 20785.

FOR THE INFORMATION OF LOUISVILLE AND SAN FRANCISCO, OPR PERSONNEL WILL BE ADVISED CONCERNING THE HEALTH OF MR. BELMONT AND MR. BAUMGARDNER, BOTH OF WHOM ARE KNOWN TO BE IN ILL HEALTH. IF EITHER OFFICE HAS ANY CURRENT INFORMATION CONCERNING THESE INDIVIDUALS' STATUS, WHICH WOULD DETERMINE WHETHER OR NOT OPR PERSONNEL SHOULD NOT INTERVIEW THEM, ADVISED FBIHQ.

RECIPIENTS SHOULD ADVISE THOSE FORMER EMPLOYEES RESIDING WITHIN THEIR DIVISIONS THAT OPR PERSONNEL WILL BE CONTACTING

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THEM CONCERNING AN INTERVIEW AND FURNISH THEM WITH THE FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS: (1) THEY ARE RELEASED FROM THE OBLIGATION IMPOSED BY THEIR EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENTS TO MAINTAIN INFORMATION OBTAINED IN THE COURSE OF THEIR EMPLOYMENT IN CONFIDENCE, TO THE EXTENT THE AGREEMENT IS APPLICABLE IN SUCH A SITUATION. (2) THE BUREAU DESIRES TO EXTEND FULL COOPERATION TO THE DEPARTMENT IN CONNECTION WITH THIS INQUIRY AND, THEREFORE, THEY ARE ENCOURAGED TO COOPERATE WITH THE INQUIRY. HOWEVER, FORMER EMPLOYEES WILL BE ADVISED TO UNDERSTAND, CLEARLY AND UNEQUIVOCABLY, THEY MUST DECIDE FOR THEMSELVES WHETHER OR NOT TO ANSWER SPECIFIC QUESTIONS. (3) WITH REGARD TO REQUESTS FOR COUNSEL, FORMER EMPLOYEES WILL BE ADVISED THAT THE BUREAU HAS NO AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE SUCH COUNSEL. THE FORMER EMPLOYEE MUST DECIDE FOR HIMSELF IF HE FEELS THE NEED FOR PERSONAL COUNSEL IN CONNECTION WITH HIS INTERVIEW. REQUESTS FOR APPOINTMENT OF COUNSEL BY THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE AT DEPARTMENT EXPENSE OR FOR APPOINTMENT OF PRIVATE COUNSEL SHOULD BE MADE IN THE FORM OF LETTERS DIRECTED TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL AND WILL BE FORWARDED TO THE DEPARTMENT BY FBIHQ.

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IN ADDITION, FORMER EMPLOYEES SHOULD BE ADVISED THEY ARE NOT TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS WHICH MIGHT DIVULGE THE IDENTITY OF ANY INFORMANTS OR SOURCES.

OPR TASK FORCE PERSONNEL HAVE INDICATED IN ORDER FOR THEM TO MEET THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S DEADLINE FOR COMPLETION OF THE INQUIRY IT WILL BE ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY THAT THESE INTERVIEWS BE COMPLETED NO LATER THAN TUESDAY, DECEMBER 21, 1976 OR WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 22, 1976.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, BOSTON (157-644)

DATE: 12-21-76

FROM : SA THEODORE N. GABLE

SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING

ReButeletype 12-20-76.

On this date I contacted Mrs. WILLIAM C. (MARION) SULLIVAN, Sugar Hill, New Hampshire, telephone 823-8126. She stated her husband, former Bureau official BILL SULLIVAN was unavailable but would be telephoning her late tonight. I related to Mrs. SULLIVAN that representatives of the Office of Professional Responsibility Task Force, U.S. Dept. of Justice intended to interview her husband concerning KING. I advised her of the four points set forth in reteletype: (1) that Mr. SULLIVAN was released from the obligation imposed by employment agreements to maintain confidence to the extent these applied to the KING case; (2) the FBI was fully cooperating with the Dept. of Justice in this matter therefore Mr. SULLIVAN was encouraged to cooperate; however, he must decide for himself whether or not to answer specific questions; (3) that the FBI has no authority to provide counsel and if he decides to apply to the Dept. of Justice for counsel he can write to the Attorney General and Bureau will forward letter for him; and (4) that he should not answer questions which might divulge informants or sources.

Mrs. SULLIVAN told me she was making notes on these points and she would tell her husband. She suggested he might want to talk to me or to the Boston Office and I gave her my telephone number, both office and home; I also gave her the number of the Boston Division telephone.

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ASSASSINATION — James Earl Ray, the convicted slayer of Martin Luther King Jr., wants to testify before the House assassinations committee. Ray, who says he was enticed into pleading guilty to the slaying of King in April of 1968, made the offer in a letter to the committee and the New York Times. The Washington Star reported yesterday that James H. Lesar, Ray's attorney, has been objecting to methods the committee staff has employed in attempting to interview Ray in Petros, Tenn., where he is serving a 99-year sentence.

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James Earl Ray 'willing'

WASHINGTON—The embattled House assassinations committee has a letter, purportedly from James Earl Ray, indicating he is willing to discuss testifying on the murder of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Chairman Walter Fauntroy, of the subcommittee investigating the King assassination, confirmed meanwhile that Ray and his brother are among witnesses he wants to call in his investigation of the assassination of the civil rights leader.

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FBI criticized on King probe, but results termed correct

By MARGARET GENTRY
WASHINGTON (AP) — The FBI investigated Dr. Martin Luther King's death thoroughly and honestly and concluded correctly that James Earl Ray was the lone assassin, a Justice Department task force reported Friday.

Though mysteries linger in the case, there is no new evidence warranting further investigation, the task force of five lawyers and two research analysts said.

"The task force has concluded that the investigation by the FBI to ascertain and capture the murderer of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. was thoroughly, honestly and successfully conducted," the report said. "The sum of all of the evidence of Ray's guilt points to him so exclusively that it most effectively makes the point that no one else was involved."

The task force concluded that various conspiracy theories, including those advanced by Ray himself, are without foundation. Ray's stories are contradictory and self-serving, the report said.

The FBI, despite its longterm and probably illegal campaign to harass King and discredit him as a civil rights leader, generally undertook an aggressive probe of his murder on a motel balcony in Memphis on Aug. 4, 1968, the task force said. It added that the bureau checked out the conspiracy theories but found nothing to them.

The task force lawyers did

find some things to criticize about the FBI probe.

It said the bureau failed to investigate leads suggesting that Ray and members of his family were in touch after his escape in 1967 from the Missouri state prison and said "The bureau should have pursued this line of the investigation more thoroughly."

It also complained that the FBI under director J. Edgar Hoover refused to keep then-Atty. Gen. Ramsey Clark and other officials informed about details of the probe. And it said the department failed to exercise its supervisory authority over the bureau.

Former Atty. Gen. Edward H. Levi launched the department review last April to determine whether the FBI was implicated in the assassination, whether anyone should be prosecuted for the harassment of King, and whether there was evidence requiring a further probe of the assassination.

He called for the review because of disclosures of fresh details about Hoover's animosity toward King and of Hoover's efforts to discredit the civil rights leader through wiretaps, buggings, and by circulating derogatory information about his personal life.

"The task force is satisfied that the FBI did a credible and thorough job in attempting to identify any possible conspiracy," the 149-page report said. "In all the years following the assassination, the investigation has failed to reveal any connection between any

alleged conspirator and James Earl Ray ... The overwhelming evidence indicates that Ray was almost totally alone during the year after his escape from the Missouri state prison."

Yet the most persistent mystery is the source of sub-

stantial amounts of money Ray spent during that year for living expenses and for cars, photo equipment and dance lessons, the report said.

The task force noted that FBI officials believe Ray probably obtained money through

several robberies and burglaries though that was never proved.

"The sources for Ray's funds still remain a mystery today," the task force said.

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they could come up with no single conclusive motive for the shooting of King. But they added, "Ray's apparent hatred for the civil rights movement, his possible yearning for recognition, and a desire for a potential quick profit may have, as a whole, provided sufficient impetus for him to act and to act alone."

The report noted that Ray participated in prison speculation about a sizable bounty on King's head but said there was no evidence proving that anyone offered any kind of bounty.

As for the Hoover-inspired campaign against King, the task force said the harassment was clearly improper and in some cases illegal.

But the task force recommended against prosecuting anyone involved because Hoover and his top lieutenants are dead or retired.

"They are beyond the reach of disciplinary action," the task force observed. "The few bureau personnel who had anything to do with the King security investigation and who are still in active service did not make command decisions and merely followed orders. We do not think they are the proper subjects of any disciplinary action."

The task force disclosed that the harassment campaign included a series of illegal burglaries and several wiretaps which had not been previously reported.

FBI agents carried out five break-ins to obtain information about King and the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, the report said. There were no details on the locations of the burglaries.

The buggings were conducted at three New York City hotels

but two of them turned out to be mistakes because King did not stay there as planned. A three-day bugging at the Americana Hotel produced "a good deal of intelligence on King's personal activities" after it was continued against Hoover's orders, the report said.

The task force said the FBI began investigating King in 1963 after receiving allegations that he and the civil rights movement were being influenced by Communists.

"We conclude that justification may have existed for the opening of King's security investigation but its protracted continuation was unwarranted," the task force said. The bureau should have terminated the investigation in 1963 after finding no evidence of Communist infiltration, the report said.

As for the future, the task force said the department should exercise vigilance in supervising FBI activities and should strictly enforce new department guidelines prohibiting harassment campaigns.

The task force also called for legislation making it a felony to distribute FBI files to unauthorized persons for malicious purposes, as was done in the harassment of King.

Later Friday, FBI Director Clarence M. Kelley issued a statement expressing "great satisfaction" that the task force had found the FBI investigation thorough and concluded the bureau was not involved in King's death.

He noted that task force criticized the harassment of King and said, "guidelines, procedures and our determination to be completely observant of civil rights and the dignity of man will prevent a recurrence of these activities."

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Ray was driven by rage at parents

By GEORGE McMILLAN

James Earl Ray did have fantasies. He had them in Jeff City, and they were not quite the usual criminal daydreams. Ray dream was to start an orphan asylum.

"When I pull a job," Ray used to tell his friend Ray Curtis, "I'm gonna take that money and start an orphans' home. If people didn't want their kids, I'll take them, just go pick them up myself and take them to this orphans' home in the country. I'm going to pick the doctors and nurses myself. I won't let anybody else do that. Don't worry. I'll keep the place going! I'll do a job or two now and then."

George McMillan's eight years' research into the life of James Earl Ray and the killing of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., produced a fascinating book. In the second of five excerpts from "The Making of an Assassin," he explores Ray's sympathy with children and his antipathy toward adults.

This was a curious dream for a man who seemed not to have any close relationships at all, a loner. And yet there was more evidence that the plight of children, neglected children, struck some profound chord in him.

Once Curtis and Ray were watching a

documentary on India on the cellblock TV. Some bloated-bellied, starving children were shown.

"THAT'S A DISGRACE," Ray said angrily, "with all the money there is in the world."

Oddly, Ray's sympathy did not extend to adults. He seemed to hate them as much as he sympathized with children. When starving Indian adults appeared on the TV tube, Ray said: "I don't give a damn about those niggers." When the news program showed a crippled man fleeing on crutches from a burning Vietnamese building, Ray spat out: "Why, that sorry son of a bitch. All he wants is sympathy." To a radio item about a man who had been burned to death, Ray said: "He got what he deserved."

There were the fantasies about children, about adults, and then there were fantasies of violence. He would brag about what he would do if he were

surrounded by cops, when and if he did his next job.

"If the cops had me pinned down," Ray said, "I'd pretend to give up. I'd throw my gun down. Then when they stepped up to take me, I'd take them with me. I'd do it with maybe two ounces, maybe four ounces of nitroglycerin."

WHAT DO THESE reveries mean, what do they reveal about Ray and his inner life, his unconscious, and do they tell us about the motives that led to his conscious acts? His concern for children and his hatred of adults, the way either seemed to set off explosions of feeling in him, show that his passions came from his own childhood, more exactly from his infant experiences.

To Ray all children are people who have not received their due, who have been treated unjustly; infancy and childhood stand to him as periods of unhappiness. His daydream of starting an orphan asylum proves that he felt

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unloved and unwanted in some way that was important to him.

But why did Martin Luther King magnetize and become the focal point of these emotions?

Martin Luther King stirred Ray's felings by being a figure who offered love and warmth to thousands of people. Dr. King reminded Ray in a pointedly bitter way of how he had not been taken care of. In this sense, King became, in the symbolic functions of the mind, the mother Ray had not had; King performed the functions that his mother did not.

• **WHAT MADE KING AN** even more highly charged figure was that he made up for the vacancies of Ray's father, too. King was not effeminate. He may have had the loving capacities of a mother, but he had also combined the love and strong, dependable affections of a father. In the symbolic sense, Ray's decision to murder King was a parenticide, a revenge for the withholding, unloving aspects of both his actual parents.

A truck from the Renz honor prison farm backed up to the platform on Sunday morning, April 23, 1967. Because it was Sunday, the truck was driven by a relief man. He did not notice that something was a little unusual that day.

One of the boxes in which the bread was shipped was already sitting on the lip of the platform. The usual practice was to wheel the boxes out when the truck arrived. Each box held 60 loaves; they were 4 feet long, 3 feet wide and 3 feet deep. The truck was covered but open at the back.

THERE WAS A REASON that box was out there ahead of time. The people who had put it there wanted to make sure that it got into the load that day. It contained a special cargo, human cargo, the living body of James Earl Ray. Its presence there meant that someone had helped Ray, taken a risk in helping him, had certainly been well paid.

The truck came on schedule, Ray's box was rolled into it, and when the order for Renz was filled it drove out through the Jeff City walls. Somewhere out there, Ray unloaded himself, his radio (and \$300 in cash) and hit the road, a free man.

The Hotel Atlantic, an old graystone building with 450 rooms, had gone badly to seed. It had once served train passengers who arrived in Chicago at the La Salle Street station.

On the afternoon of April 24, 1967, two men approached the desk of the Atlantic and registered. One was James Early Ray and the other was his brother Jack. Before nightfall, the two were joined by Jerry, another brother. They had business to discuss.

THE THREE OF THEM had not been together for nearly 20 years. It

was not that they all had been in jail all that time, but it was that there never had been a moment in that 20 years when all of them were out at the same time. They were glad to see each other, and they put pleasure before business. As soon as they were all settled in their rooms, they went next door to the bar of the Hotel Victoria to hang a few on, and to catch up.

As they talked in the Victoria, Jimmy grew tense with excitement, it was the first time he had been in a bar in seven years. The very strangeness, the noises, the pace and unregulated movements of the people in the bar, all the life around him, seemed to be anarchic and chaotic after the minutely regimented life of Jeff City.

Finally, when they rose to go to bed, each of them got a girl.

"The main reason we took separate rooms," says Jerry, as if his reason were self-explanatory, "is that Jimmy had been in a long time."

THE NEXT MORNING the brothers got down to business.

Jack already had helped Jimmy to escape. When Jimmy had kited a letter out to Jack asking him to come visit in Jeff City, Jack had gone; they arranged a rendezvous and Jimmy escaped the next day. They had driven to Chicago together. That was a sacrifice on Jack's part: if he, an ex-convict, had been caught for helping another convict escape, it would have gone hard for Jack. He would have done flat time.

"What he talked about was mainly legal stuff," Jerry says.

In fact, nothing they talked about was legal. It appeared that their definition of legal was any job where you don't have to use a pistol.

Jerry suggested that Jimmy, and perhaps all of them, do a kidnaping. They could make a lot of money quickly; they would not need to shoot anybody; the victim probably would cooperate. It seemed "legal" by their standards.

"AND ONE OF US would have to get out of the country with the money," Jimmy said. He told them that they should all three have passports. The easiest place to get one, he told them, was Canada. He had studied it in Jeff City. He mentioned that he would like to go, if he were going to be the one to leave the country, to Rhodesia.

"It began to look like getting out of the country was the biggest thing on Jimmy's mind," recalls Jerry.

Jerry had some names for them of people he believed could be kidnaped, and for whom there would be a big reward. He cited then-Gov. Otto Kerner and another man whose name was a household word in Chicago: Jack Brickhouse, a sports broadcaster for WGN-TV.

They talked about those names, and the talk was conducted in a fuzz of un-

reality. They never got down to it. In fact, Jimmy seemed to have something else in the back of his mind. Porno seemed the very thing for Jimmy to go into now.

THE PORNO BUSINESS looked good. But long before agreement was reached, it had begun to be apparent that Jimmy had something more on his mind. Suddenly, he said:

"I'm gonna kill that nigger King. That's something that's been on my mind. That's something I've been working on."

Well! Jimmy had not been wasting his time in Jeff City.

Actually, neither Jerry nor Jack was ~~that much~~ surprised. It was just like

Jimmy to get an idea like that, so big, so grandiose. As far as the notion itself, they could not agree more, at least as far as hating black people, hating "liberals," Jews, but neither of them would ever have conceived of killing King. For their separate personal reasons, they would not have killed King.

"That's crazy!" Jack said. "You can count me out of that deal. There ain't no money in killin' a nigger. I'm going back to St. Louis."

(NEXT: Ray starts active planning for the assassination.)

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HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS (HSCA)

BUDED JUNE 12, 1978.

RE: BULET TO ALBANY, ET AL, AUGUST 25, 1967, CAPTIONED "COUNTERINTELLIGENCE PROGRAM, BLACK NATIONALIST-HATE GROUPS, INTERNAL SECURITY" AND "BUAIRTEL TO ALBANY, ET AL, MARCH 4, 1968, CAPTIONED "COUNTERINTELLIGENCE PROGRAM, BLACK NATIONALIST-HATE GROUPS, RACIAL INTELLIGENCE".

THE HSCA WHICH IS INVESTIGATING THE ASSASSINATION OF JOHN F. KENNEDY AND MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., NOTING THAT REFERENCED COMMUNICATIONS ASKED RECIPIENT OFFICES TO MAKE PERIODIC REPORTS TO THE BUREAU, HAS REQUESTED THAT RECIPIENT FIELD OFFICE FILES BE SEARCHED AND ALL REPORTS, LETTERHEAD MEMORANDA, AIRTELS, LETTERS AND TELETYPES CONCERNING

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DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., OR THE SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC) SUBMITTED PURSUANT TO REFERENCED COMMUNICATIONS UP TO AND INCLUDING DECEMBER 31, 1968, BE PREPARED FOR DELIVERY.

THE HSCA REQUESTED THAT OUR RESPONSE IN THIS MATTER BE GIVEN TOP PRIORITY OVER ALL OTHER ASPECTS OF KING INVESTIGATION.

FBI HEADQUARTERS (FBIHQ) FILES HAVE BEEN PARTIALLY PROCESSED IN RESPONSE TO A SIMILAR REQUEST, BUT TO INSURE COMPLETENESS AND THOROUGHNESS, EACH RECIPIENT OFFICE FURNISH FBIHQ TWO XEROX COPIES OF ANY COMMUNICATION MEETING ABOVE CRITERIA. COPY SHOULD REACH FBIHQ BY JUNE 12, 1978.

ALL COPIES SHOULD BE CLEARLY LEGIBLE AND SHOULD BE SENT REGISTERED MAIL, MAILED TO THE ATTENTION OF THE CONGRESSIONAL INQUIRY UNIT, RECORDS MANAGEMENT DIVISION, ANY QUESTIONS CAN BE RESOLVED BY CONTACTING SUPERVISOR RICHARD C. BUSCHING, EXTENSION 3685.

RECIPIENT OFFICES HAVING NO COMMUNICATION MEETING CRITERIA ARE TO SO NOTIFY FBIHQ.

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157-4942-	Sub I - 597 Pg 1 (12/74)		NOT LOCATED
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✓ 100-35427-101	NOT PERTINENT		
✓ 157-1607*	3/70 - NOT PERT	✓ 157-644*	Rever
		157-642*	NOT LOCATED
62-3740 - 208	SAC'S OFFICE	✓ 157-480*	Rever NOT PERTINENT
		✓ 157-319*	NOT PERTINENT
✓ 157-750*	Ref	✓ 100-35427-127 + 45	NOT PERTINENT
✓ 62-0-16408	Ref	✓ 100-35794*	Rever
✓ 100-32195-6		✓ 100-31810-19	NOT PERTINENT
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① Counterintelligence Program
Disruption of Hate Groups
157-398X 10/65

② Martin Luther King - 157-642X
"Vigil at Rhode Island State
Capitol Bldg for Rev. M.L.K.,
Providence, R.I. 4/5/68."

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✓ 100-38580*	- DISRUPTION OF THE NEW LEFT --	NO IDENT	
CI PROGRAM - BLACK NATIONALIST - HATE GROUPS			
RACIAL INTELLIGENCE - BPP -			
✓ 157-654*	NO IDENT		
✓ 157-654-588	- NO IDENT		
✓ 157-915*	- NO IDENT		
157-398*	(DISRUPTION OF HATE GROUPS)	- NOT LOCATED	

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Subject <i>HATE GROUPS 8/65</i>	Social Security Account #
Aliases	

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✓100-35629*	-Review		
✓157-160*	-Review		
157-1565-63 P.26	-NOT PERTINENT		
" "	-213 -NOT PERTINENT		
14-133-252	-NOT PERTINENT-		
✓157-573-28	-Review		
157-418*	-NOT PERTINENT		
157-402*	-NOT PERTINENT		

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Aliases <u>FOREIGN INFLUENCES (11/67)</u>			
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✓ 157-571*	<u>Review</u> - NO IDENT		
<u>BLACK NATIONALIST MOVEMENT</u>			
<u>INTERVIEWS WITH SUBJECTS</u>			
157-00-123	N.D.		
<u>BLACK NATIONALIST PARTY</u>			
✓ 157-1447*	- NO IDENT		
<u>BLACK NATIONALIST SISTERHOOD 11/70</u>			
✓ 157-591-132 PG 3	- NO IDENT		
✓ 157-835*	(9/68) - NO IDENT		
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<u>BLACK NATIONALIST SOCIALIST PARTY</u>			
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157-728*	- NO IDENT		

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Aliases <u>AND RACIAL INFORMANT 1/68</u>			
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<u>157-3004-10</u>	<u>NOT PERTINENT</u>		
<u>157-581-302</u>	<u>NO IDENT</u>		
<u>157-581*</u>	<u>Review - 1 Re-located re SCLC</u>		
<u>157-1270*</u>	<u>NOT PERTINENT</u>		

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<u>BLACK NATIONALIST GROUP TOPLEY INFORMANT PROGRAM (6/65)</u>			
134-1274*	- Gw		
<u>BLACK NATIONALIST GROUPS (9/64)</u>			
✓ 157-262*	- NO IDENT		
<u>BLACK NATIONALIST - HATE GROUPS 9/67</u>			
✓ 157-531*	(was 100-38856*) Ref -		
<u>BLACK NATIONALIST + INFORMANT CONFERENCES 3/68</u>			
✓ BWT 3/7/68 -	170-00-24	- ROTOR /	NO IDENT
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(ATTENTION: CONGRESSIONAL INQUIRY UNIT,
RECORDS MANAGEMENT DIVISION)
FROM : SAC, BOSTON (157-644)
SUBJECT: HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS

ReButel, 6/5/78.

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HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS (HSCA)

RE BUTEL TO ALL FIELD OFFICES AND LEGAL ATTACHES DATED
NOVEMBER 24, 1976.

REFERENCED TELETYPE ADVISED IN PART THAT HSCA WAS CREATED
TO INVESTIGATE THE ASSASSINATION OF JOHN F. KENNEDY AND
MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., AND THAT RECIPIENTS WERE TO BRING TO
THE ATTENTION OF FBI HEADQUARTERS (FBIHQ) ANY ATTEMPTS BY HSCA
STAFF MEMBERS TO INTERVIEW FBI PERSONNEL.

THE HSCA HAS INTENSIFIED ITS INVESTIGATION INTO BOTH
ASSASSINATION CASES, REVIEWING VOLUMINOUS FBI FILES INVOLVING
MANY ASPECTS OF OUR OPERATIONS. HSCA STAFF MEMBERS ARE CON-
DUCTING INTERVIEW OF CURRENT AND FORMER EMPLOYEES AND HAVE

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TRAVELED THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY AND ABROAD CONDUCTING INTERVIEWS OF MANY INDIVIDUALS. SOME OF THESE PERSONS ARE LIKELY TO BE PRESENT OR FORMER INFORMANTS AND CONFIDENTIAL SOURCES OF THE FBI WHO MAY BE SUBPOENAED TO TESTIFY BEFORE THE HSCA. BASED ON INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT FBIHQ, THE HSCA PLANS TO CONDUCT APPROXIMATELY 40 DAYS OF PUBLIC HEARINGS DURING FALL OF 1978 AND RELEASE OF ITS FINAL REPORT IS SCHEDULED FOR DECEMBER, 1978.

RECIPIENTS ARE REMINDED TO PROMPTLY ADVISE FBIHQ CONCERNING ANY ATTEMPTS BY THE COMMITTEE TO OBTAIN INFORMATION THROUGH YOUR PERSONNEL, OR THROUGH YOUR PRESENT OR FORMER INFORMANTS AND CONFIDENTIAL SOURCES. INFORMATION SHOULD BE FORWARDED TO THE ATTENTION OF THE CONGRESSIONAL INQUIRY UNIT, RECORDS MANAGEMENT DIVISION.

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memorandum

DATE 6/8/78

REPLY TO
ATTN: SAC RICHARD F. BATES (66-4127)

SUBJECT: HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS (HSCA)

TO: ALL AGENTS

By teletype dated 6/7/78, the Bureau has advised that the House Select Committee on Assassinations (HSCA) was created to investigate the assassinations of JOHN F. KENNEDY and MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., and that the Committee members may contact Bureau Agents regarding investigations conducted. You have been previously advised that, should such contacts be made, you are to politely advise the Committee member that his inquiry will be brought to the attention of FBIHQ. This requirement still exists.

The HSCA has intensified its investigation into both of the assassination cases by reviewing voluminous FBI files involving many aspects of our operations. Staff members of that Committee are conducting interviews of current and former employees and have traveled throughout the country and abroad conducting interviews of many individuals. Some of the persons interviewed are likely to be present or former informants and confidential sources of the FBI who may eventually be subpoenaed to testify before the HSCA or at public hearings. FBIHQ has advised that current plans of HSCA are to conduct 40 days of public hearings during the fall of 1978 and that a final report of the Committee will be forthcoming in December, 1978.

Please bring to my attention any contact members of the Committee might have with you or with informants, former informants or confidential sources

cc:

- 1 - Each Special Agent
- 1 - 66-4127 - SAC's Office (w/incoming)
- 1 - 66-161 (All Employee Memo File)
- 1 - 66-00 (w/cc inc.)
- 1 - 89-43 (JFK File)(w/cc inc.)
- 1 - 175-112 (JFK File)(w/cc inc.)
- ① - 157-644 (MLK File)(w/cc inc.)
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11/21/78

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
(ATTN: CONGRESSIONAL INQUIRY UNIT, ROOM 3933 JEH)

FROM: SAC, BOSTON (~~44-157~~) (C)

SUBJECT: MURKIN *0.4 157-644-*

Re Bureau telephone call to Boston 11/16/78.

Enclosed for the Bureau are five copies of an LHM dated and captioned as above.

Lieutenant DALE HARRINGTON, Concord, N.H. Police Department advised 11/16/78 that he has known the source of his information for approximately six years. The individual, who does not wish his identity revealed, has never furnished information to HARRINGTON in the past, but HARRINGTON believes this individual to be emotionally stable and that he would have no reason to furnish false information.

2 - Bureau (Encl. 5) (RM)
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Boston, Massachusetts

November 21, 1978

MURKIN

On November 16, 1978, Lieutenant Dale Harrington, Concord, New Hampshire Police Department advised that he had been furnished information on a confidential basis by an acquaintance who requested that his identity be protected, regarding the James Earl Ray matter. According to Lieutenant Harrington, the source stated he has been following the current Congressional Subcommittee Hearing in Washington D.C. regarding Ray and the killing of Dr. Martin Luther King. The source stated that he had read in the papers that a place called The Grey Rocks in Canada had been recently mentioned at the hearing. The source advised Harrington that in 1936 and 1937 he had worked at a Grey Rocks Inn, St. Jovite, Canada, a town approximately 89 miles northwest of Montreal, Province of Quebec, Canada.

The source advised that he was employed by the owners of The Grey Rocks Inn, Harry and Charles Wheeler, to train sled dogs. The source stated that also employed at the Inn in a managerial capacity was an individual named [REDACTED]. The source advised that Raoul was a "radical", but [REDACTED] no examples of what he meant by radical. The source had no further data regarding Raoul other than that he was still employed at the Inn when the source left in 1937. The source has had no contact with The Grey Rocks Inn since leaving.

5 - Bureau (44-38861)
1 - Boston (44-)
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CUTLER DESIGNS

BOX 1465, MANCHESTER, MASS. 01944

R. B. CUTLER, Arch

(617) Tel. 526-152
Hm 927-006

MESSAGE

TO Mr Harold N Bassett
Assistant Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Department of Justice
Washington DC 20535

DATE

DATE III/16/79

Sir:

Thank you for your kind note of the 6th. My views on the assassinations currently eclipsed by the urgency of pressing for an affirmative D O J decision to review and analyze the findings of the House Select Committee on Assassinations. Witness my letter to the Attorney General (copy enclosed).

On the one hand D O J hears emotional bleatings to leave "conspiracy" slanting in the wind and get on with the fight against inflation. In fairness to the decision-making process, which requires equal input from the opposite hand, I amend my offer to read: collect factual recommendations for a thorough D O J review and analysis; this collection to be delivered coincident with the release of HSCA's final report, circa 1 May?

I respectfully request discussion of this reasonable approach to D O J's decision with you in Washington, at no cost to the Bureau. I would appreciate being able to coordinate my first-week-of-April vacation in San Francisco with "collection" from my friend, former FBI agent Bill Turner.

sincerely

SIGNED

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FORM AVAILABLE FROM GRAYARC CO., INC.
882 THIRD AVE., B'KLYN, N.Y. 11232

THIS COPY FOR PERSON ADDRESSED

File 62-109240

62-109240

March 28, 1979

Mr. R. B. Cutler
Cutler Designs
Post Office Box 1465
Manchester, Massachusetts 01944

Dear Mr. Cutler:

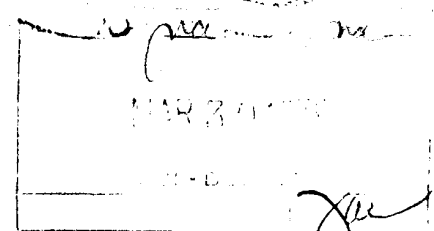
In reply to your communication of March 16th, it will not be possible for me to make an appointment with you to discuss the assassinations of former President John F. Kennedy and Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. If you have information which you believe would be of interest to this Bureau, please contact a representative of our office located at the John F. Kennedy Federal Office Building, Boston, Massachusetts 02203, and furnish him this information.

Sincerely yours,

Harold H. Bassett
Harold H. Bassett
Assistant Director

1 - Boston - Enclosure

Attention SAC: Bufiles indicate we have had limited correspondence with Mr. Cutler regarding the assassinations of former President Kennedy and Dr. King.



900 John F. Kennedy Federal Building
Government Center
Boston, Massachusetts 02203
August 8, 1979

Mr. Robert B. Cutler
CUTLER DESIGNS
P. O. Box 1465
Manchester, Mass. 01944

Dear Mr. Cutler:

Reference is made to the data you furnished
this office on June 5 and August 6, 1979.

For your information, the data involved has
been forwarded to our Headquarters in Washington, D. C., for
appropriate review. If this review determines that additional
information is needed from you, you will be contacted either
by our Headquarters or through this office.

Sincerely yours,

JAMES J. DUNN, JR.
Special Agent in Charge

cc: 2 - Bureau
 (1 - BUFILE 62-109060) - JFK File(Assassination)
 (1 - BUFILE 44-38861) - MURKIN File
 2 - Boston
 (1 - 175-112 - Assassination of Pres. John F. Kennedy
 11/22/63, Dallas, Texas)
 (1 - 157-644 - MURKIN)

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8/8/79

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, BOSTON

ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY
NOVEMBER 22, 1963
DALLAS, TEXAS
BUFILE 62-109060
BSFILE 175-112

MURKIN
BUFILE 44-38861
BSFILE 157-644

Reference is made to letter dated March 28, 1979, from Assistant Director HAROLD N. BASSETT to Mr. R. B. CUTLER of Manchester, Massachusetts. A copy of this letter is attached for ready reference. Also attached is a copy of a letter to Mr. CUTLER from SAC BOSTON dated 8/8/79.

In furnishing the information to the Boston Office, Mr. CUTLER expressed an interest in sitting down and discussing in detail the data he furnished and his theories regarding the murders of President KENNEDY and Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

Overall details regarding these two murders are not available to the Boston Division and it is obvious from data furnished by Mr. CUTLER that he has spent a lot of time in connection with the overall information he has submitted to this office.

4 - Bureau (Encls.)
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It is recommended that the data furnished by Mr. CUTLER be referred to the appropriate substantive desks at the Bureau having the overall picture of these two cases. Thereafter, if the Bureau sees any need for additional information to be obtained from Mr. CUTLER, it is requested that specific information desired be forwarded to this office which will recontact CUTLER for information desired by the Bureau.

Copies of data furnished by Mr. CUTLER have not been retained in files of the Boston Office.

900 John F. Kennedy Federal Building
Government Center
Boston, Massachusetts 02203
August 8, 1979

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CUTLER DESIGNS
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Manchester, Mass. 01944

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JJD
JAMES J. DUNN, JR.
Special Agent in Charge

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(1 - BUFILE 44-38861) - MURKIN File
2 - Boston
(1 - 175-112 - Assassination of Pres. John F. Kennedy
11/22/63, Dallas, Texas)
(1 - 157-644 - MURKIN)

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Paul Caffrey
157-644-353

August 9, 1979

Mr. R. B. Cutler
Cutler Designs
Post Office Box 1465
Manchester, Massachusetts 01944

Dear Mr. Cutler:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your July 26th letter to Judge Webster containing your views regarding the assassinations of former President John F. Kennedy and Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Your material will be made available to those who will review the committee report.

Sincerely yours,

William L. Bailey
William L. Bailey
Assistant Director

① - Boston - Enclosures (3)

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MESSAGE REPLY

TO William H Webster, Director
F B I Ninth & Penna Ave NW
Washington DC 20535

DATE

DATE VII/26/79

Sir:

In your upcoming review of the House Select Committee on Assassinations' findings there are two points which "confirm" conspiracy but point away from naming Oswald and Ray as the two assassins.

1. the bullet that killed Dr King was fired from a rifle pointed in a slightly upward direction this eliminates the bathroom window as a lair.
2. the missile that caused the wound of entry in the President's throat was fired from an M-1 Overhead Flechette Launcher (see enclosure A) by a man standing on the grassy knoll near the Stammers road sign. The fiction that this wound was one of exit and the fabricated testimony of a false "umbrella man", designed to dispel this conspiracy "theory", demands in-depth study.

Information incorporating item 1 was delivered to the Boston office of the FBI VI/5/79 ; information incorporating item 2 will be delivered to the same office about VIII/6/79.

Assistance in reviewing these facts is respectfully proffered at your convenience.

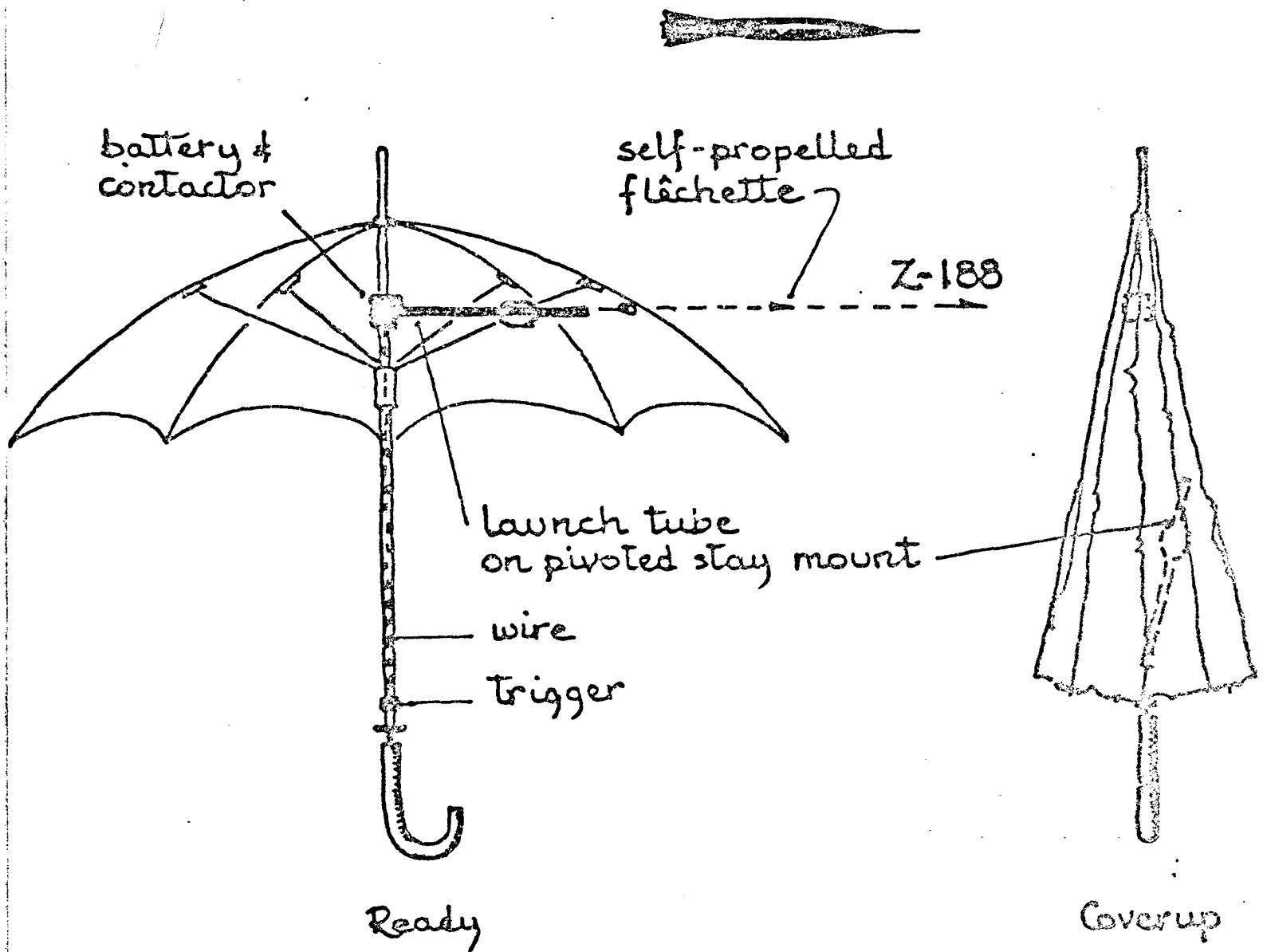
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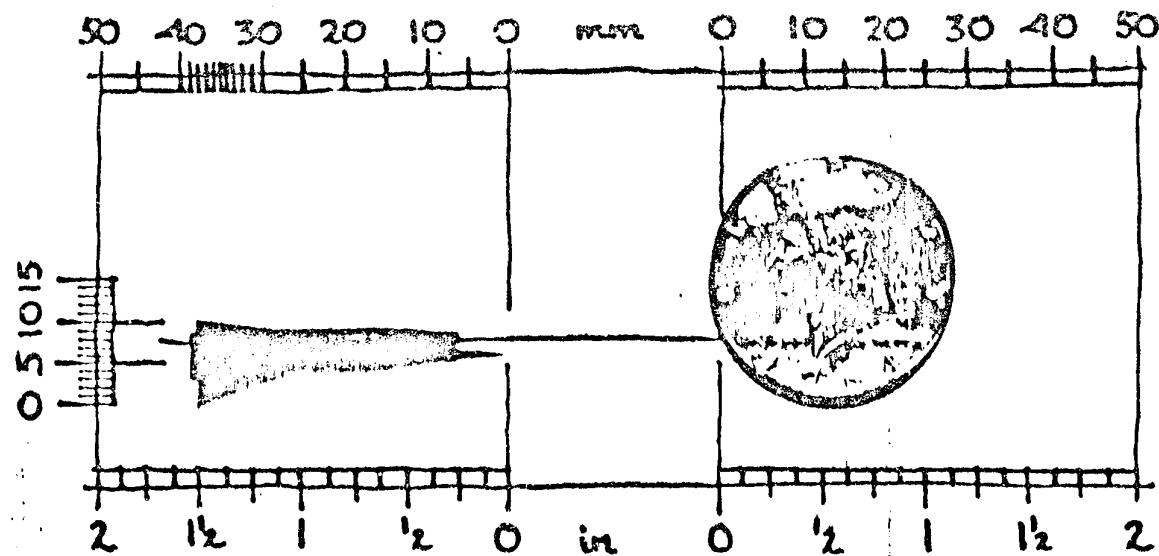
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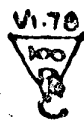
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M-1 fléchette



- which carried shellfish-toxin.....
- which wounded the President in the throat.....
- which was launched by The Umbrella Man (TUM) using his Overhead Fléchette Launcher (OFL)

22 November 1963

From: Francis X. O'NEILL, Jr., Agent FBI
James W. SIBERT, Agent FBI

To: Captain J. B. STEWART, Jr., Commanding Officer, U. S. Naval Medical
School, National Naval Medical Center, Bethesda, Maryland

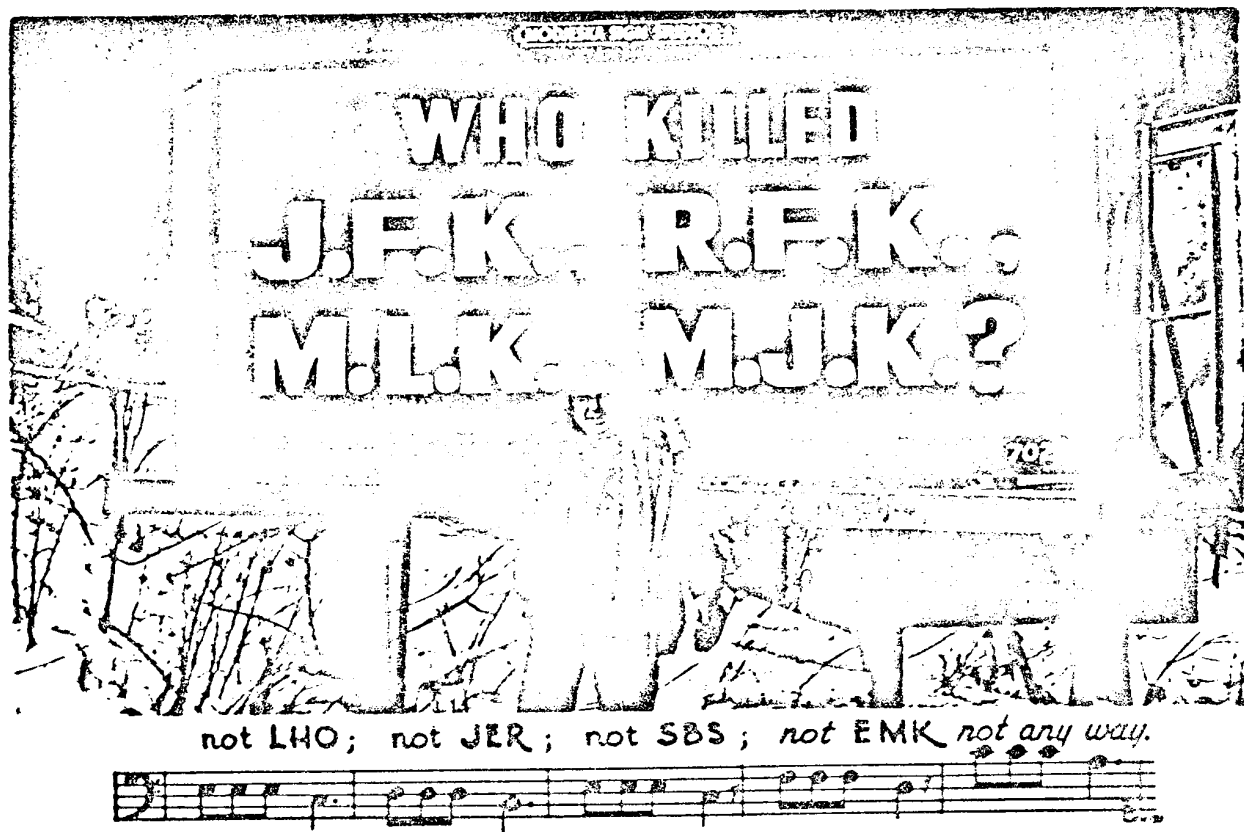
I, James W. Sibert, hereby acknowledge receipt of a missile removed by Commander James
J. HINES, MC, USN on this date.

Francis X. O'Neill, Jr.
Francis X. O'NEILL, Jr.
James W. Sibert
James W. SIBERT

on p 266
Post Mortem
by Harold Weisberg

This "missile" ram
from JFK's bed
autopsy is the
fletcher

The FBI h
"lost" it



8/21/79

SAC, BOSTON

ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY
BS 175-112; BUFILE 62-109060

xx MURKIN
BS 157-644; BUFILE 44-38861

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

Re Boston Airtel to Bureau dated 8/8/79.

Enclosed for the information of the Bureau, is additional correspondence from Mr. CUTLER. His "MESSAGE" to me dated 8/14/79 does not warrant a reply and, accordingly, his "MESSAGE" has not been acknowledged by me.

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BOX 1465, MANCHESTER, MASS. 01944

(617) Tel. 526-1521
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M E E T I N G

DATE _____

DATE VIII/14/79

Sir:

thank you for yours of the 8th ... I would be most happy to review the data furnished you at your convenience .. enclosed please find copy of my letter to your Director VII/26/79 and the reply from Ass't Director Bailey, VIII/9/79 .. this seems to me to be just what I was hoping would happen also enclosed is a copy of notations added on page 75 of the booklet submitted with the data on VIII/6/79 .. I bring to your attention the fact that I have just interviewed the man I feel is the Umbrella Man and he has of course told me I'm incorrect but has agreed to take a PSE test in the first part of September when he will be in this part of the country ... my reason for bringing this to your attention is that to me at least this is a very important part of my data to you .. depending how this test reads could be something of value .. in fact either way it's not insignificant.. please rest assured I'm not trying to be cute in this matter it's simply that he's virtually one jump ahead of the sheriff and I really don't want to make any waves .. just get him to the tester as he has stated .. I'll keep you informed...I would not be surprised however if you found him by then

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BOX 1465, MANCHESTER, MASS. 01944

R. B. CUTLER, Architect

(617) Tel. 628-1521
Fax 927-0084

MESSAGE

REPLY

William H Webster, Director

F B I Ninth & Penna Ave NW

Washington DC 20535

DATE: VII/26/79

DATE

Sir:

In your upcoming review of the House Select Committee on Assassinations' findings there are two points which "confirm" conspiracy but point away from naming Oswald and Ray as the two assassins.

1. the bullet that killed Dr King was fired from a rifle pointed in a slightly upward direction this eliminates the bathroom window as a lair.
2. the missile that caused the wound of entry in the President's throat was fired from an M-1 Overhead Fléchette Launcher (see enclosure A) by a man standing on the grassy knoll near the Stemmons Road sign. The fiction that this wound was one of exit and the fabricated testimony of a false "umbrell man", designed to dispel this conspiracy "theory", demands in-depth study.

Information incorporating (item 1) was delivered to the Boston office of the FBI (VI/5/79); information incorporating (item 2) will be delivered to the same office about (VIII/6/79)

Assistance in reviewing these facts is respectfully proffered at your convenience.

sincerely

RB
Cutler

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also V⁴, receipt in Wassberg & M-1 Fléchette
with notes as in Alex. questions

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

August 9, 1979

Mr. R. B. Cutler
Cutler Designs
Post Office Box 1465
Manchester, Massachusetts 01944

Dear Mr. Cutler:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your July 26th letter to Judge Webster containing your views regarding the assassinations of former President John F. Kennedy and Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Your material will be made available to those who will review the committee report.

Sincerely yours,

William L. Bailey

William L. Bailey
Assistant Director

hopefully this is submissions VI.5 & VIII.6
to Boston office.

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54. IDENTIFICATION ?

The Mugshot Man's picture, right, was taken during an investigation of his activities in February 1967 the Rickerby is the Committee's idea of an investigation

Note the similarity of the right ears the Mugshot Man and the Umbrella Man are both left-handed the Committee's witness from Dallas is right-handed the Mugshot Man was 25 in Dealey Plaza the Committee's witness from Dallas was 38 that day

I ask you: is my identification correct? or do you still cling to that thin thread brought in from Dallas to bolster the Single-Bullet Theory which we just murdered for the umteenth time?

You should be able to answer my questions you have had this identification for almost two years

PS

Only the ear can be allowed to surface at this time

Anyone who has any inkling as to my ID of TUM, please contact me before going public remember DeMorenschildt, Giancana, Nicoletti, Sullivan, Regis Kennedy, Rosselli, Lovelady one of the last chances to corroborate what we know must not escape because of a breakdown of critics' omerta

obviously This may find a response -
I'll be happy To Tell you a little more
but right now the situation is tender
much too tender to have interference -
if it's upset I'll know - please wait
thru September - it could turn out
to be helpful To you, too.

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John F. Kennedy Federal Building
Government Center
Boston, Massachusetts 02203

September 12, 1979

Mr. Robert B. Cutler
CUTLER DESIGNS
P.O. Box 1465
Manchester, Massachusetts 01944

Dear Mr. Cutler:

Reference is made to the data you furnished
to Special Agent (SA) John J. O'Connor on September 11, 1979.

For your information, the data involved has
been forwarded to our headquarters in Washington D.C. for
appropriate review. If this review determines that addi-
tional information is needed, you will be contacted either
by our headquarters or through this office.

Very truly yours,

JAMES J. DUNN, JR.
Special Agent in Charge

By:
FRANK S. KERR
Supervisory Special Agent

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10-24-79
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ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY, DALLAS, TEXAS, 11-22-63
Bufile 62-109060, BSfile 175-112

MURKIN
Bufile 44-38861, BSfile 157-644

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

ReBSlet 9-12-79.

Mr. R. B. CUTLER, Manchester, Mass., forwarded the enclosed documents to FBI, Boston Division, for transmittal to appropriate substantive desk at FBIHQ. Receipt of his "Messages" of 9/24/79 and 10/12/79 have been acknowledged orally.

If FBIHQ desires any additional information from Mr. CUTLER, it is requested that specific information desired be forwarded to the Boston Office.

Copies of enclosed documents furnished by Mr. CUTLER have not been retained in the files of the Boston Division.

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