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MEMORIAL HELD IN CENTRAL PARK, DECATUR, ILLINOIS BY OFFICIALS NAACP AND DECATUR AREA COUNCIL OF CHURCHES FOR DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING. JR. THIS DATE WITHOUT INCIDENT.

JAMES R. DOSTER, SHERIFF, MACON COUNTY, DECATUR, INFORMED APRIL SEVEN INSTANT, GEORGE GRAYNED, PRESIDENT, LOCAL ASSOCIATION BLACK ACTION (LABA), HAS SCHEDULED MEMORIAL AT ST. PETERS AME CHURCH, DECATUR, SEVEN THIRTY PM THIS DATE. NO VIOLENCE ANTICIPATED.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Miami, Florida April 8, 1968

RELIGIOUS ASSEMBLAGE
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DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.,
SUNLAND PARK, FORT LAUDERDALE,
FLORIDA, SUNDAY, APRIL 7, 1968
RACIAL MATTERS

On April 5, 1968, Sergeant ROBERT LUTES, Community Relations Unit, Fort Lauderdale Police Department, Fort Lauderdale, Florida, advised that there would be a planned religious assemblage at Sunland Park, West Sunrise Boulevard, Fort Lauderdale, Florida, on Sunday at 1:00 PM, April 7, 1968, to commemorate the death of Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. This assemblage is being organized by the local branch NAACP President, Reverend SAMUEL W. GEORGE.

Participants are expected to come from different areas within Broward County, Florida, representing approximately nine religious sects. Participants are expected to include both Negro and white with the majority expected to be Negro.

Rever end GEORGE has encouraged the youths to stay at home inasmuch as the assemblage will be strictly a religious ceremony in honor of Dr. KING.

The Fort Lauderdale Police Department is planning no police action, and no anti-assemblage plans are being considered. Only members of the Community Relations Unit will be present. No trouble is anticipated at the assemblage.

According to Reverend GEORGE, one of the purposes of this assemblage is to divert the energies of the colored people in Fort Lauderdale toward a worthwhile cause.

At the present time, there is no way of estimating the number who will attend; however, it is anticipated to exceed several hundred people.

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Re: RELIGIOUS ASSEMBLAGE COMMEMORATING DEATH OF DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

On April 5, 1968, U. S. Secret Service, Miami, Florida; US Attorney, Miami, and Illth M. I. Group, Miami, were advised of the planned religious assemblage.

On April 8, 1968, Sergeant ROBERT LUTES, supra, advised that the assemblage took place as planned with approximately 800 persons attending. No incidents of any disorder whatsoever occurred, and the assemblage was peaceful throughout the service.

Copies of this memorandum are being furnished locally to Secret Service, Miami and US Attorney, Miami, and to 111th M. I. Group, Orlando, Florida.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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Miami, Florida
April 8, 1968

Re: MEMORIAL MARCHES AND SERVICES FOR DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. MIAMI DIVISION - RACIAL MATTERS

Reference is made to communication from this Bureau dated April 6, 1968, which sets forth information concerning a memorial march and services for Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. at Miami, Florida.

On April 7, 1968, commencing at 4:00 PM, approximately 1,000 individuals, the majority of which were Negroes, staged a memorial parade through the downtown section of Miami, Florida, in behalf of Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

This memorial parade lasted approximately one hour after which a memorial service was held at the Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church, Miami, Florida.

There were no incidents involved concerning the memorial march and services.

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FROM SPRINGFIELD (157-838) (TWO PAGES)

ASSASSINATION OF MARTIN LUTHER KING. JR. RM.

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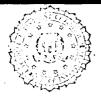
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FBI Date: 4-8-85 Transmit the following in _____ (Type in plaintext or code) AIRTEL ATTENTION: Director, FBI To: X CIVIL RIGHTS SECTION SAC, SPRINGFIELD (157-888) GENERAL INVEST. DIV. From: DOMESTIC INTELLIGENCE DIV. Subject: ASSAURIE TION OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. 14 ☐ CR \square EL □ VRA-65 □ CRA-64 ☐ PA ☐ PE ☐ PF Racial Matters BM BM-Threats ☐ Klan ☐ Organization Summary of Complaint: Enclosed herewith are the original and 10 copies of LHA setting forth the information received from James A. DC RIM. Sheriff, Macon County Sheriff's Office, Decator, Illinois, on 4-5-60 informing of a memorial for Dr. MARTIN LUTHUR KING, JR., at Rintner Gym of Stephen-Decatur High School, Decator, Illinois at 12:00 noon, 4-6-60, sponsored by MAACP. Two copies of FD-378 also attached. USA, SDI, Epringfield; Secret Service, Springfield; OLI, Chanute Air Force Base, MI Group, Evansten; and MIC, Chicago, Illinois and Decatur, Illinois, Police Department, advised. 1/ Bureau (Enc.-13)(RM) 4 - Springfield (2: 157-888) 15 APR 10 1968 (1: 157-Decatur Area Racial Matters) (1: 66-1967) RFB: blw (5) ACTION: UACB: ☐ No further action being taken and IN LHM enclosed IN Copy furnished to USA Springfield LHM being submitted AGENCY: (11), 5.0, IIU, RAO, Report being submitted Preliminary investigation instituted HOW FORW: Limited investigation instituted BY: CAPGOS Sent _____M Per _

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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

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> Director United States Secret Service

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Pepartment of the Treasury Washington, D. C. 20220
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Toringfield, Illinois

April 5, 1981

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On pril 3, 1830, Shoriff James A. Doster, Nacor County Cheriff's Office, Decater, Illinous, Sivised Mr. James Gude, Regional Chairman, Lattoral Esseciation for the Advancement of Colored People, informed that a monorial for Doctor Hartin Lather Ring, Jr., will be held at kintner Gyr of Atophes-Decater High school, Decater, Illinois, at Mi:00 meon, April 3, 1860, for everyone. The Slag will Fly at halfrast is Decatur, or Friday, Actorday and Sunday.

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U. S. Atterroy, Southern District of Illinois, Opringfield, Illinois: Secret Service, Springfield, Illinois; Milliony Authorities and Decatur Police Department, Decatur, Illinois, advised.

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April 6, 1969

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No violence was auticinated.

U. G. attorney, Southern District of Illinois, Springfield, Illinois: Secret Service, Springfield, Illinois: military authorities and Decatur Police Department, Decatur, Illinois, advised.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Springfield, Illinois

April 8, 1968

ASSASSINATION OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

On April 7, 1968, James R. Doster, Sheriff, Macon County Sheriff's Office, Decatur, Illinois, informed that George Grayned, President, Local Association Black Action (LABA), has scheduled memorial at St. Peter's AME Church, Decatur, at 7:30 p.m., April 7, 1968. No violence anticipated.

Chief of Police, Harold Lindsten, Decatur Police Department, advised on April 7, 1968, a major fire broke out downtown during the night of April 6, 1968. No arson was suspected. Small fire broke out in clothing store on levee at Decatur, at 5:15 a.m., April 7, 1968. He advised arson was suspected, however, no racial overtones noted. Fire was brought under control with minor damage. Chief Lindsten advised there were other small incidents of fire reported with minor damage.

On April 8, 1968, Sheriff Doster advised the abovementioned memorial was held at the Church of Living God, Decatur, Illinois, rather than St. Peter's AME Church and the group marched about one and one-half blocks from First Lutheran Church in Decatur, without incident.

U. S. Attorney, Southern District of Illinois, Springfield, Illinois; Secret Service, Springfield, Illinois; and military authorities advised.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Springfield, Illinois April 8, 1968

ASSASSINATION OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

On April 7, 1968, sources, who are in a position to furnish reliable information, furnished the following information.

At midnight on April 7, 1968, a group of fifty Peoria citizens planned to depart Peoria via chartered bus for Memphis, Tennessee, to participate in the scheduled April 8, 1968, memorial march for the late Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. The Universalist Unitarian Church and the Tri-County Urban League of Peoria have jointly chartered the bus; however, the expense of the bus is being borne by local businessmen. Inter-racial leaders and representatives of various Peoria churches; the Peoria Commission on Human Relations; the Tri-County Urban League; the NAACP and the Peoria Committee on Viet Nam will comprise the participants making this trip as a tribute and memorial to the assassinated civil rights leader. All of these representatives are active in local non-violent civil rights problems within Peoria and no militant-type individuals are included in this departing group.

On April 7, 1968, Secret Service, Springfield, and 113th MI Group, Peoria, were notified of the chartered bus leaving Peoria.

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Springfield, Illinois April 18, 1968

ASSASSINATION OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

Captain ELZA BRANTLEY, Commander, District 13, Illinois State Police DuQuoin, Illinois, advised that during the weekend of April 5, 1968, six cars, manned by State Police personnel, in conjunction with several cars of the Security Police Department personnel at Southern Illinois University, as well as local police department and Sheriff Office of Jackson County, patroled Carbondale, Illinois. Captain BRANTLEY stated that due to the national events at the present time, it was thought wise by Carbondale city officials and State Police to have necessary manpower inasmuch as a Negro fraternity at the Southern Illinois University had scheduled their annual dance for this weekend.

Captain BRANTLEY stated that between 400 and 500 Negroes attended this dance, however, no incidents involving this group arose. He advised that during the weekend, however, several small incidents involving very young juveniles occurred, wherein minor vandalism and window breaking took place. He advised further that several rumors and calls were circulated, indicating that fires had been started. However, this was erroneous. He also advised that there was one fire which did occur at an abandoned dwelling on College Street in Carbondale, Illinois, which building was in the process of being demolished, but there was no indication this fire had any connection with arson or a result of racial matters.

On April 8, 1968, the following were advised of the above:

Chief JACK HAZEL Carbondale Police Department Carbondale, Illinois

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ASSASSINATION OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. THOMAS LEFFLER Chief of Security Southern Illinois University Police Department Carbondale, Illinois Region I 113th MI Group 2231 Howard Street Evanston, Illinois Secret Service Springfield, Illinois United States Attorney Eastern District of Illinois East St. Louis, Illinois. This document contains neither recommendations nor conclusions of the FBI. It is the property of the FBI and is loaned to your agency; it and its contents are not to be distributed outside your agency. - 2* -2025 RELEASE UNDER E.O. 14176

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Springfield, Illinois April 8, 1968

ASSASSINATION OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

JOHN COYNE, Agent in Charge, Crime Section, Illinois State Police, Springfield, Illinois, advised on April 7, 1968, that a memorial service was held that date for Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., at the Lincoln Tomb, Springfield, Illinois, which memorial service was sponsored by the Dr. Martin Luther King Memorial Committee. COYNE advised there was a very large crowd in attendance. He estimated that the inter-racial crowd was thirty per cent white. The memorial service ended at 2:40 P.M., April 7, 1968, and no disturbances followed.

Secret Service and Military Intelligence, Springfield, Illinois, were advised of the above information.

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ASSASSINATION OF MARTIN LUTHER KING. JR.

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ILLINOIS STATE POLICE, SHERIFF'S OFFICE JACKSON COUNTY ADVISED AND ARE PATROLING CITY ALONG WITH FULL CARBONDALE POLICE FORCE. TOGETHER WITH SECURITY POLICE, SOUTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY LIAISON BEING MAINTAINED. BUREAU WILL BE KEPT ADVISED.

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Springfield, Illinois April 9, 1968

MEMORIAL SERVICE AND MARCH FOR MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., QUINCY, ILLINOIS, APRIL 7, 1968

On April 7, 1968, Chief Ray Welsh, Quincy, Illinois Police Department, advised that the memorial service for Martin Luther King, Jr. at Quincy College, Quincy, Illinois, took place as scheduled at 2:00 P.M. on that date. After the service, the individuals who attended the service then marched to Washington Square in downtown Quincy, Illinois, where a prayer service was held for peace and understanding.

Chief Welsh estimated six hundred persons were present during the march. There were no incidents connected with either the march or the memorial service.

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