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PHILA NEWS MEDIA TODAY ADVISED REVEREND JAMES BEVEL, SCLC OFFICIAL, SENT COMMUNICATION TO JAMES EARL RAY AT MEMPHIS STATING RAY DID NOT KILL MARTIN LUTHER KING AS HE, BEVEL, WAS PRESENT WHEN KING WAS KILLED. BEVEL OFFERED TO TESTIFY IN RAY'S BEHALF.

LT. GEORGE FENCL, CIVIL DISOBEDIENCE UNIT, PHILA PD, ADVISED BEVEL WILL HOLD PRESS CONFERENCE WITH LOCAL CBS AFFILIATE AT TWO PM TODAY IN PHILA.

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ADMINISTRATIVE. PHILA SOURCES ALERTED. BUREAU WILL BE KEPT ADVISED.

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RE: JAMES LUTHER BEVEL
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For information of Bureau and receiving offices, the following information was developed during investigation of VICTOR LLOYD BEVEL, Cleveland file 29-1571, Bureau file 29-50715.

VICTOR LLOYD BEVEL, who is employed by the Jones and Laughlin Steel Corporation, 3341 Jennings Road, Cleveland, Ohio, was formerly the Assistant Treasurer of the United Steelworkers' Federal Credit Union located at Jones and Laughlin Steel Corporation. His wife, SHIRLEY BEVEL, was Treasurer of the Credit Union. VICTOR BEVEL embezzled $1,200 from the Credit Union in 4/68, which embezzlement was discovered in 8/68. He and his wife were subsequently relieved of their positions. This matter is still under investigation by Cleveland Division.

VICTOR BEVEL was reported by fellow employees to have entered the Veterans' Administration Hospital, Cleveland, Ohio, for a mental illness shortly after the embezzlement but before the embezzlement was discovered.

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On 1-21-69, K. D. KUTA, Chief, Medical Records Library, VA Hospital, Cleveland, Ohio, advised that BEVEL was admitted to the VA Hospital on 7-1-68, for mixed nuerosis with depressive reaction and hysterical disassociative reactions. He was treated in the Psychiatric Ward by Dr. JEAN BERGGREN, Psychiatry Resident, who has subsequently resigned and is now employed at the Hanna Pavilion, Cleveland, Ohio. VICTOR BEVEL during treatment stated that on numerous occasions he had contemplated suicide by various means. He was discharged from the VA Hospital on 10-18-68, and has had follow-up visits on 10/24 and 31/68.

Mr. KUTA stated that the file revealed that VICTOR BEVEL had a brother, Reverend JAMES BEVEL, who was associated with the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC).

On 1-22-69, Captain WILBUR W. HONN, Plant Protection Officer, Jones and Laughlin Steel Corporation, 3341 Jennings Road, Cleveland, Ohio, advised as follows:

He stated that JAMES LUTHER BEVEL, VICTOR LLOYD BEVEL, and OTIS CALVIN BEVEL who are all brothers, were employed by Jones and Laughlin Steel Corporation. VICTOR and OTIS are still employed.

Captain HONN furnished the following personal data from the personnel files regarding the BEVEL brothers:

JAMES LUTHER BEVEL:

Race:	Negro
Sex:	Male
Date of Birth:	[redacted]
Place of Birth:	Ittabena, Mississippi
Social Security #:	[redacted]
Military Service:	U. S. Navy Serial Number 4686279 from 9/24/54 - 2/8/55 Honorable Discharge
Relatives:	
Father:	DENNIS BEVEL
Mother:	ILLIE BEVEL, nee Murray
References:	Mr. FORTE P. O. Box 675 Ittabena, Mississippi

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	Mrs. DOROTHY BRENSON 12104 Thornwood Cleveland, Ohio
Residence:	3216 East 80th Street Cleveland, Ohio
Prior Residence:	P. O. Box 675 Ittabena, Mississippi

Captain HONN advised that the above information was contained on JAMES BEVEL's application dated 8-5-55. JAMES BEVEL was hired on 8-9-55, as a porter at the Finishing Division Canteen. He was terminated on 10-4-55, for unsatisfactory attendance. He was rehired on 9-8-56, and terminated on 1-19-57, to attend Theological School.

VICTOR LLOYD BEVEL:

Race:	Negro
Sex:	Male
Date of Birth:	[redacted]
Place of Birth:	Jackson, Mississippi
Social Security #:	[redacted]
Relatives:	
Father:	DENNIS BEVEL
Brothers:	JAMES BEVEL CHARLES BEVEL
Residence:	3216 East 80th Cleveland, Ohio (1951)
Wife:	CARLEEN (divorced at time of application in 1951)

Captain HONN advised that VICTOR BEVEL was hired on 3-8-51, and is currently employed as a bricklayer.

OTIS CALVIN BEVEL:

Race:	Negro
Sex:	Male
Date of Birth:	[redacted]
Place of Birth:	Greenwood, Mississippi
Social Security #:	[redacted]

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Relatives:

Sister:	FLOYDZELLA BEVEL Date of Birth - [redacted]
Sister:	HELEN BEVEL Date of Birth - [redacted]
Brother:	JOHNNY BEVEL Date of Birth - [redacted]
Mother:	ILLIE BEVEL

For further information, OTIS CALVIN BEVEL, Cleveland file number 29-1362, Bureau file 29-45052, was the prior Treasurer of the above Credit Union before VICTOR and his wife SHIRLEY BEVEL became Assistant Treasurer and Treasurer of the Credit Union. OTIS BEVEL was relieved of his position as Treasurer in 1/67, when it was discovered that he had embezzled approximately $1,800 from the Credit Union. OTIS BEVEL was indicted by Federal Grand Jury, NDO, Cleveland, Ohio, on 10-30-68, for violation of Title 18, Section 657, USC. Prosecution is still pending in this matter. OTIS CALVIN BEVEL's FBI number is 239065F. During the course of this investigation, VICTOR LLOYD BEVEL was interviewed in 12/67, at which time he resided at 3266 East 143rd.

A sister, FLOYDZELLA SMITH, nee Bevel, was also interviewed on 4-24-68, at which time she resided at 896 Paxton, Cleveland, Ohio, and was employed by Pick 'N Pay, 8219 Hough Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio.

The above is being furnished for information only in view of the fact that JAMES LUTHER BEVEL has currently claimed that JAMES EARL RAY is innocent in the slaying of Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., and it is believed that the above background information may be helpful to offices investigating these matters.

VICTOR LLOYD BEVEL SHOULD BE APPROACHED WITH CAUTION IN VIEW OF STATEMENT THAT HE HAS CONTEMPLATED SUICIDE.

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