

September 20, 1995

Honorable Slade Gorton  
United States Senator  
3206 Jackson Federal Building  
915 Second Avenue  
Seattle, Washington 98174

Dear Senator Gorton:

I am writing in response to your August 9th inquiry on behalf of Mr. David D. Horowitz, who wishes to have the investigation of the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King reopened.

As Mr. Horowitz may not be aware, James Earl Ray was found guilty of the assassination of Dr. King by a jury in a state court, was sentenced by a state judge, and is incarcerated in a state penal facility. Mr. Ray has made a number of pleas for a new trial, and I understand that the Shelby County, Tennessee, District Attorney General's Office has in the past investigated and is currently investigating information provided to that Office by Mr. Ray's attorney. Therefore, Mr. Horowitz' concern and request could best be addressed by Mr. John W. Pierotti, District Attorney General, 30th Judicial District, Suite 301, 201 Poplar Avenue, Memphis, Tennessee 38103, and his investigative staff.

Sincerely yours,

*John E. Collingwood*  
John E. Collingwood  
Inspector in Charge  
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August 9, 1995

John E. Collingwood  
Inspector-in-Charge  
Office of Public and Congressional Affairs  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Department of Justice  
Ninth and Pennsylvania Avenue, NW  
Washington, DC 20535

Dear Mr. Collingwood:

My constituent, David D. Horowitz, has contacted me for assistance as described in the enclosed correspondence.

I would appreciate a review of this information to determine whether my constituent's request can be accommodated.

Thank you for your attention to this request. Please direct the reply to me in care of Rich White in my Seattle office.

Sincerely,



SLADE GORTON  
United States Senator

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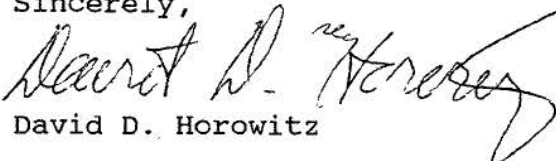
Dear Senator Gorton:

I am writing to you to try to publicize what I believe is a gross miscarriage of justice. I refer specifically to the imprisonment of James Earl Ray as the ostensibly guilty lone assassin of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

In 1991, Mr. Ray published a book arguing that he had, in effect, been framed by the FBI of the crime he was convicted of committing. He sought a new trial. Indeed, several years ago, an attorney named Lewis Garrison tried to help Mr. Ray get a new trial. At that time Mr. Garrison claimed that he could obtain the testimony of five witnesses, including one retired businessman who claimed to have paid the actual hit man. The request of Mr. Garrison, acting on behalf of Mr. Ray, was denied. This denial is suspicious. Evidence as potentially powerful as Mr. Garrison's should be heard. James Earl Ray deserves a new trial. Protecting the FBI from disclosure of some of its questionable methods, possible misdeeds, and still-living informers and spies (which I suspect lies behind the denial) is not adequate grounds for holding a possibly innocent man in prison for ninety-nine years. Everything I have learned about this case during my own admittedly cursory investigation, moreover, convinces me that James Earl Ray was indeed framed. The denial of this is a national scandal, a disgrace. Until this matter is honestly and thoroughly investigated, January 15th will be a day of national hypocrisy, not homage.

I realize that there may be little you can do to re-open this case, but what little you can do I urge you to do. That this case looks like one more case of clubby power-network insiders protecting one another makes me, as a citizen of this country, all the more cynical about its actual workings. I am not alone in this feeling.

Sincerely,

  
David D. Horowitz

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 12/26/96

ROBERT BILL, born [redacted], 442 8th Street, #9, Santa Rosa, California, telephone (707) 526-4203, telephonically contacted the Santa Rosa Office of the FBI and furnished the following information.

After the reading the news reports concerning the current health problems of JAMES EARL RAY, the assassin of MARTIN LUTHER KING, he recalled an incident which happened about three days prior to the death of KING.

At the time of KING'S death, BILL was residing in Phoenix City, Alabama, across the river from Columbus, Georgia. One evening he was in a bar on South Broadway in Columbus when two white men came into the bar. They were very well dressed, in dark suits and ties. They had plenty of money and bought drinks for the people in the bar. BILL estimated there were 11 to 12 customers in the bar including several soldiers from nearby Fort Benning. One of the men was fairly quiet and the other, whom BILL believes was JAMES EARL RAY, was doing most of the talking. The men handed out business cards with red printing on them which read "KKK" with an address in Mississippi. The bar maid asked them where they were from and was told they were from Mississippi.

After the men had been in the bar 15 or 20 minutes, the man BILL believes to have been RAY pulled a German Luger pistol out from the inside of his suit coat. The bar maid asked him what he planned to do with the pistol and the man replied, "I'm going up North and shoot me a nigger." A short time later, BILL left the bar and parked outside he noticed several older cars and one new shiny black car, possibly a Thunderbird, which he assumed at the time belong to the two men in the bar.

While in the bar, the man BILL believes was RAY stood on one side of him at the bar and the other stood on the other side. The quiet man, described as a white male, with light brown hair, just under six foot tall, drank beer with his right hand and kept his left hand in his pocket. BILL described RAY as shorter than the quiet man.

Investigation on 12/26/1996 at Santa Rosa, California (telephonically)  
 File # ME 44-1907-1243 Date dictated 12/26/1996  
 by SA [redacted]

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About 2 or 3 days after he observed the men in the bar, BILL read about the murder of MARTIN LUTHER KING. He discussed the incident with the woman he was living with at the time, Katherine Bodine, who now lives in Santa Rosa, California, and then called the FBI office in Atlanta, Georgia, and reported the incident. He did not feel the person he spoke with showed much interest in what he had to say. Some time later, he does not recall how long, he saw a press photograph of JAMES EARL RAY who was wanted in connection with the murder of KING. He recognized RAY as the individual in the bar who exhibited the German Luger and made the statement about killing a "nigger". He never reported his suspicions to the FBI nor any other law enforcement agency.

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(12/31/1995)

**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION**

**Precedence:** ROUTINE

**Date:** 12/26/1996

**To:** Memphis

**From:** San Francisco  
Santa Rosa Resident Agency  
**Contact:** SA [REDACTED] (707) 542-1952

**Approved By:** [REDACTED]

**Drafted By:** [REDACTED] ldt

**Case ID #:** ME 44-19<sup>1987</sup>7 (Closed)

**Title:** JAMES EARL RAY;  
MARTIN LUTHER KING - Victim  
CIVIL RIGHTS

**Synopsis:** ROBERT BILL, Santa Rosa, California, claims to have seen RAY in Columbus, Georgia, with another male, talking about killing someone.

**Administrative:** Enclosed Fd-302 being provided to Memphis for whatever action deemed appropriate.

**Enclosures:**Original FD-302 and one copy reporting interview with ROBERT BILL, and original interview notes.

**Details:** ROBERT BILL, 442 8th Street, #9, Santa Rosa, California, telephone (707) 526-4203 claimed to see JAMES EARL RAY and another white male in a bar in Columbus, Georgia a few days before MARTIN LUTHER KING's death. The man BILL believes was RAY brandished a weapon and stated he was "going up North and shoot me a nigger".

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 01/21/1997

To: MEMPHIS

From: DALLAS

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Contact: SA [REDACTED] (214) 922-7606

Approved By: [REDACTED]

Drafted By: [REDACTED] *ab*

Case ID #: 44-0

Title: INFORMATION CONCERNING  
MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
ASSASSINATION

Synopsis: Information received regarding the assassination of  
MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

Details: On 1/16/97, information was received from SALLY JO HESS  
(PROTECT IDENTITY), born [REDACTED] SSN [REDACTED], 361 W. Fork,  
#1207, Irving, Texas 75039, (972) 501-0518, concerning the  
assassination of MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

From 1971 through 1975, HESS attended ZION BIBLE  
INSTITUTE, 346 Broadway, East Providence, Rhode Island. HESS  
advised the school has since relocated to Barrington, Rhode  
Island. Her roommate, LORI BELLIS, dated and later married an  
individual known as JOHN HALCOLM. HALCOLM advised HESS and  
BELLIS he was part of a syndicate out of Montgomery, Alabama, and  
his father was the "godfather" of this syndicate. HALCOLM also  
advised he was part of the team sent to assassinate MARTIN LUTHER  
KING, JR. HALCOLM was allegedly at the scene of the  
assassination as a back-up man in the event the original  
assassinator was not able to carry through with the plan.

HALCOLM later advised HESS the syndicate had a contract  
out on his life. HESS advised HALCOLM died in approximately 1979  
in Pennsylvania but she was not aware of the reason for his  
death. His widow, LORI BELLIS, may be living in Newport,  
Pennsylvania, with their three children. HESS recalled HALCOLM  
and his wife, LORI, lived a very secluded life. She has a  
brother, GARY BELLIS, who may still be the pastor of the NEWPORT  
ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH, Newport, Pennsylvania.

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**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION**

To: MEMPHIS From: DALLAS

Re: 44-0, 01/21/1997

HESS advised she felt the need to provide this information due to the approaching MARTIN LUTHER KING Holiday. HESS could provide no further identifying information concerning HALCOLM or BELLIS other than HALCOLM was probably born around 1946 or 1947. She is a legal secretary, (214) 969-4518, and asked that her identity be kept confidential.

February 20, 1997


Mr. John K. Rohde  
Pastor  
First Congregational United  
Church of Christ  
Post Office Box 413  
Ypsilanti, Michigan 48197

Dear Mr. Rohde:

Your January 25th letter to Attorney General Reno in which you request the investigation of the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King be reopened was referred to the FBI.

I understand that the Shelby County, Tennessee, District Attorney General's Office has in the past investigated information provided to that Office by Mr. Ray's attorney. Therefore, your concerns and request could best be addressed by Mr. John W. Pierotti, District Attorney General, 30th Judicial District, Suite 301, 201 Poplar Avenue, Memphis, Tennessee 38103, and his investigative staff.

Sincerely yours,

  
John E. Collingwood  
Inspector in Charge  
Office of Public and  
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Based on available information, correspondent is not identifiable in ACS.

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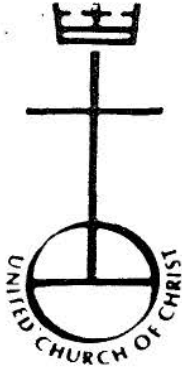
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## First Congregational United Church of Christ

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January 25, 1997

John K. Rohde  
Pastor

Honorable Janet Reno  
U.S. Attorney General  
Washington DC

Dear Ms. Reno,

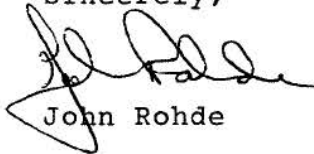
I am writing to ask you to reopen the issue of the assassination of Martin Luther King, Jr. I have read William Pepper's Orders to Kill and am convinced that James Earl Ray had little or no part in the assassination. Ray has never been convicted by a jury in court, but only confessed and then sought to withdraw his confession within three days of the death of King.

I am sending you a copy of my sermon from last week just so that you know that the word is getting out. Every time we come to an observance of King's birthday, I will remind those around me that the real story has not been adequately investigated by the U.S. Government, primarily because it was involved in many ways in killing King.

You have been a bright light in many ways in bringing justice to this land. It may be unpleasant and uncomfortable, but I call on you to bring us justice with regards to Martin Luther King, Jr.

Thank you for your attention.

Sincerely,



John Rohde

Sermon: "Taming King & Jesus"  
John K. Rohde, January 19, 1997  
John 1:43-51; I Samuel 3:1-20

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*Therefore Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie down; and if God calls you, you shall say, 'Speak, YAHWEH, for your servant is listening.'"  
As Samuel grew up, YAHWEH was with him and let none of his words fall to the ground. I Samuel 3:9, 19*

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#### **Taming the Word of God**

Can God's word be tamed? Should it be tamed?

We understand the taming of wild animals, bringing their wills under the control of someone. We have all seen lion tamers who crack their whips over the "king of wild animals" and seem to turn them in to "pussy cats." There are the western movies that we have seen where particularly wild and magnificent horses are brought in from the wild and tamed by some courageous, and often bruised cowpoke.

Can God's word be tamed and should it be?

Hannah, Samuel's mother, had not been able to have children, and this meant great embarrassment for her. She was so distressed by her infertility that she promised God that if she bore a son, that son would refrain from intoxicants and would not shave or cut his hair. She was dedicating any future son to serve God in special ways.

In the meantime, Eli, the temple priest, had a bunch of sons who were scoundrels. That's the biblical term. They were utterly worthless and so the house and family of Eli was a "train wreck." There was wreckage and irresponsibility all over the place. Eli then did not represent any great paragon of faith and devotion.

But God had a use for Eli. Young Samuel, son of Hannah, a young 12 year-old boy serving in the temple, was told by the Eli to respond when the Lord spoke to him. Eli told Samuel, "Go, lie down; and if God calls you, you shall say, 'Speak, LORD, for your servant is listening.'" Later on it says: "As Samuel grew up, the LORD was with him and let none of his words fall to the ground." That is a way of saying that the prophetic word, the word of God, which was given to Samuel, was not to be wasted, but would be given strength and credibility by God.

The word of the Lord is a scary and dangerous thing. It threatens the way things are. It changes the power relationships that exist. It may be soothing to some, but it is startling and uncomfortable to others, particularly those who do not live according to the way of the God, those who do not pay attention to God's way and truth, those who live lives of deceit and irresponsibility, those who quickly turn to other powers.

Now there is a tendency for the powers and principalities to seek to tame the word of God as time goes on, particularly if that word of God cannot be overpowered. As the word of God is spoken, as it is listened to, as it creates its waves and moves mountains, it is uncomfortable. So as years roll along, people tend to tame the word of God, reduce it, soften it, control it, subdue it, moderate it, modify it - "well that is not exactly what it says..." All of us of the liberal mainline tradition are guilty of this at one time or another, because we want to guard against the opposite, the artificial tyranny of the word of God carried out by fundamentalist extremists on the other side. So we allow the word to be tamed.

#### **Taming Martin Luther King, Jr.**

We are about to celebrate the birthday of Martin Luther King, Jr. tomorrow, although that observance will be overshadowed by the inauguration of a U.S. President. Do you realize how tame Martin Luther King has become in our minds and culture? Today, most people cannot imagine that anyone would find King to have been scary, threatening, offensive, divisive, or problematic. Today, no parent would worry about having their children following after King. That's not the way it was when King lived. I remember as a college student during King's activist

years, that if you went home and announced that you were joining the civil rights movement or marching with King, you created a major crisis of race and ideology in your family.

King had lots of enemies. But it wasn't just the KKK. It was the FBI, the Mafia, some unions, mayors and governors, law enforcement agencies, business and the military services. The churches were not any better on the whole. He was pressured from all sides. And the word that he spoke, that word of justice which came from God, was so threatening that the powers and principalities quaked when that word was spoken.

Well, I must remind us that the King who was assassinated in 1968 was seen as "public enemy #1." Several agencies of the U.S. government were under covert orders to target King and they included: the U.S. Army, the CIA, the FBI, as well as many law enforcement agencies. The moment that King was shot, an Army tactical unit had Martin Luther King, Jr. in the crosshairs of its sharp shooters' rifles and other agencies had teams in place. It is extremely unlikely that James Earl Ray had any substantial part in the killing of Martin Luther King.

Now consider how unbelievable such a reality is today. First, because we have tamed King. We have domesticated his power and truth to meet our needs. We have withdrawn our resistance to his spoken word and his ideas. We have boiled them down into safe little shots of inoculation, believing that they will prevent us from being racist.

Second, we find that image of King unbelievable because our nation has covered over and covered up any real investigation into his death. Many government officials were certain that if King ever got to Washington with the Poor People's March, it would lead to widespread civil disturbances and anarchy. They were sure that "all hell would break loose." They were sure that such chaos could not be allowed to happen.

### **Taming Jesus**

We in the church, those of us who are "believers in Jesus", should not find this so surprising. If we study our scriptures, we can discover that the prophets were constantly being tamed and moderated, and that Jesus himself was subject to this.

A week ago, we were at the UCC clergy Consultation where Domminic Crossan, a scholar in the Jesus Seminar, was one of our featured speakers. Crossan helped us understand the context of the time in which Jesus appeared. That was a time of brutal Roman control over a rebellious Jewish population. The Romans had perfected coercive ways of controlling a population that had taken control of. They were methods which were violent, inhumane, and dehumanizing. When a populatoin needed reminding of who was in power and control, they would just execute a hand full of the most notorious rebels by hanging them on crosses along some very public way. He also cautioned us, along with Marcus Borg, that the Jesus of that time was quite likely very different from our common viewpoint.

We have a view of Jesus as such a nice guy, the perfect teacher, the ultimate preacher, and such a gentle servant that Jesus could out-smile Robert Schuller of the Crystal Cathedral with honey dripping from his wounds, rather than blood. [This is my characterization, not that of Crossan or Borg.] The problem is that we, along with early Christians from the late first century onward, have conspired to tame Jesus of Nazareth, making him less dangerous, less uncomfortable, more to our liking.

The Domination System wanted Jesus dead and gone. There was no room in the Roman Empire for such a actor and teacher as Jesus. He was too dangerous to be allowed to live. It was time for an execution. It was time to teach people a lesson.

The problem is that we can rarely see either Martin Luther King or Jesus of Nazareth as the persons they were in the times in which they lived. We do not want to deal with them as human beings who proclaimed God's truth in a difficult time, as real human beings. We want an easy Jesus and Martin, who do not challenge us, or our world.

### **The Word of God shall not be Dropped**

The Word of God, whether it is spoken and given to Samuel, or to Martin, or to Jesus, or to you and me, shall be heard. It is not be dropped to fall to the earth and to be contaminated. It shall carry out its purpose and shall not return to the mouth of the Lord empty.

Listen up, my friends. God is capable of doing mighty things. God can bring justice and mercy where there is injustice and no mercy. God can bring love and grace to situations of

mean-ness. God can make the crooked straighten up. God can make the intoxicated turn to sobriety. God can take a bruised, and wounded, and abused, and tormented community and make it into a people of wholeness. God's word can heal, and restore, and straighten out, and breath life. But the word of God must be heard and incarnated, made alive. But the question may just be: Are we listening? Can we hear it? Will we respond to it?

God's word cannot be tamed.

God's word will not be tamed.

God's word shall not be tamed.

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*Con active*

June 11, 1997

Ms. Janet Reno  
Department of Justice  
Washington, D. C.

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Dear Ms. Reno:

I am writing to show you evidence that James Earl Ray did not murder Dr. ~~Martin Luther King Jr.~~ This evidence exists in a photograph taken at the time of the murder and in the autopsy report issued by Dr. Jerry Francisco. The people on the balcony are pointing in the direction of the building they heard the shot come from. The building they are pointing at is the penthouse of the Fred P. Gattis Building on Huling Street. They are not pointing at the rooming house where Ray was staying. Officers on the ground looking up at the people on the balcony may have perceived that they were pointing at the rooming house, however a close look at the photograph shows they weren't. My wide angle photograph - which I took standing on the balcony - where the photographer stood when he took his at the time of the murder - shows that they were not pointing anywhere near the rooming house. The Gattis Building penthouse is high and was on Dr. King's right side when he was shot. The autopsy report states that the fatal bullet struck Dr. King in the right side of his head and went down through his neck and lodged beneath the skin on his left shoulder blade. Obviously the killer, whoever he was, fired on Dr. King from the top of the penthouse, but it couldn't have been Ray because witnesses said they saw him in the rooming house when Dr. King was shot.

For nearly three decades now people like William Pepper have been writing scathing denunciations (ORDERS TO KILL, for example) of the Justice Department, the FBI, the CIA, etc. About three years ago when I discovered what I am telling you I shared it with Pepper who just happened to be in Memphis representing Ray. Wayne Chastain was with him at the time. Several days prior to that I had a phone call from Kenneth Herman wanting to see my photographs. Herman made arrangements for Pepper and Chastain to meet with me at the Brownstone Hotel where I showed them my photographs. Pepper's book, ORDERS TO KILL, has a 1995 copyright date. I believe he had my photographs prior to that, but he made no mention of my discovery in his book. Instead he went to great lengths discrediting law enforcement agencies making claims that Alpha 184 sniper teams were lurking on top of the ICRR train station and the Tayloe Paper Company water tower. Either of those locations was a worse place than the rooming house (to be in agreement with the autopsy report).

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for a sniper to fire on Dr. King from. I think Pepper protested too much against government agencies.

It is my personal observation that a sniper on top of the penthouse only had to watch one room - the first one on the balcony obviously visible from the penthouse - room 306 - the room rented to Dr. King. That raises questions with me about who was responsible for that room being rented to Dr. King, who would know about the penthouse being a perfect place to shoot him from, and who he (the killer) knew at Gattis to gain access to their building. Another thing that bothers me about Pepper is that he was involved with Dr. King in his activities in 1968, was representing Ray in his effort to get his case reopened in 1994, but never used the information I gave him to help Ray. I believe I found enough evidence to clear Ray and show that someone other than he shot Dr. King. I also believe that someone close to Dr. King was possibly involved in his murder - someone who knew the area, who knew the people who managed the motel, and who knew someone at the Gattis Company who would give him access to their building. I seriously doubt that James Earl Ray was that person. As a concerned citizen and in the best interest of justice I am providing you with copies of the above mentioned photographs.

Sincerely,

*Ted Wilburn*  
Ted Wilburn  
1602 Santa Maria  
Kingsville, Texas 78363

*C. Wilburn - ser 74-0-7*

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7/15/97  
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Senator John D. Rockefeller  
U.S. Senate  
Washington, DC 20510

July 19, 1997

Dear Senator Rockefeller:

I am writing to urge you to use the power of your office to influence and expedite a trial for James Earl Ray, a man who has been in prison since 1968 for the assassination of Martin Luther King, jr. Many people are unaware that James Earl Ray never was tried in a court of law for the killing, but entered a guilty plea which 3 days later he recanted. Significant new evidence is coming to light in recent years which need to be aired out in a court of law. It is now quite conceivable that James Earl Ray is not the killer of Dr. King. Indeed, several King family members themselves are asking for a trial for James Earl Ray, having met with him last spring. Time is of essence, as James Earl Ray has terminal liver cirrhosis of the liver. Yet the legal system is dragging its feet!

Many points could be made, but for space sake let me just say this: (1) Loyd Jowers, owner of the building that rented a room to James Earl Ray on the day of the assassination, has admitted in deposition his involvement in the assassination and has cleared Ray. (2) The bullet taken from the body of Martin Luther King was originally in one piece, but following laboratory tests it was in 3 pieces. A recent test firing of the rifle traced to Ray using new technology unavailable in 1968 indicates that the evidence bullet was not fired by Ray's rifle.

I am not a conspiracy buff! I am 48 years old, live in Pocahontas County where I hold a professional job working with children. But I am also a child of the 60's, and still have trouble reconciling some of the past unconstitutional activities of certain government agencies of that time. There are allegations implicating our government in the King killing and a subsequent cover-up. Unless this case is re-opened, I'm afraid I will always have a lingering suspicion. Therefore, please use your office to expedite a trial for James Earl Ray, and a full disclosure of government knowledge to the allegations being made.

Respectfully,



Allen Johnson

Rt. 1, Box 119-B  
Dunmore, West Virginia 24934  
(304) 799-4137 home  
(304) 799-6368 office  
(304) 799-6379 fax

## United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510-4802

July 30, 1997

Mr. John E. Collingwood  
Inspector-in-Charge  
Office of Public and congressional Affairs  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
U.S. Department of Justice  
Room 7240  
Ninth and Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20535

Dear John,

I was recently contacted by Mr. Allen Johnson of Dunmore, West Virginia. He has written to express his interest in the James Earl Ray case, and specifically note his concerns with efforts being made to re-analyze the case in light of alleged new evidence concerning the assassination of Martin Luther King. Given previous federal involvement, interest and jurisdiction over the case, I wanted to bring his comments to your attention so that your department can provide him, and myself, with an updated report of the handling of the affair..

I have enclosed a copy of Allen's letter and remarks for your review. I would appreciate your consideration of them, and ask that you provide him with any relevant information that may be useful. Since this matter is of particular importance to me as well, please send a copy of your responses or an update of your actions on this issue to Mr. Rick Remish of my office so that I may be kept apprised of your actions.

Thank you in advance, John, for your attention to this matter. I appreciate it, and look forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely,



John D. Rockefeller IV

August 14, 1997

Mr. Allen Johnson  
Route 1, Box 119-B  
Dunmore, West Virginia 24934

Dear Mr. Johnson:

I am writing in response to your July 19th letter to Senator John D. Rockefeller in which you urge him to support a trial for Mr. James Earl Ray, who is accused of the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King. Senator Rockefeller asked that I respond directly to you.

James Earl Ray was sentenced by a state judge and is incarcerated in a state penal facility for the assassination of Dr. King. I understand that the Shelby County, Tennessee, District Attorney General's Office has investigated information provided to that Office by Mr. Ray's attorney. Therefore, your concerns could best be addressed by the District Attorney General, 30th Judicial District, Suite 301, 201 Poplar Avenue, Memphis, Tennessee 38103, and his investigative staff.

Sincerely yours,

John E. Collingwood  
Inspector in Charge  
Office of Public and  
Congressional Affairs

By: [REDACTED]  
Acting Unit Chief

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- 1 - Honorable John D. Rockefeller  
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**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION**

**Precedence:** ROUTINE

**Date:** 03/24/1998

**To:** ✓ Memphis

**From:** Memphis

**Approved By:** [REDACTED] ✕

**Drafted By:** [REDACTED]

**Case ID #:** 44A-1987

**Title:** DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. -  
VICTIM;  
CR

**Synopsis:** Information provided.

**Details:** On this date this office was contacted by Karen Curry, Shelby County District Attorney's Office, Memphis, TN., 576-5900, who said her office has just learned a former FBI Agent, Don Wilson from the Atlanta Division, has announced to the news media that he withheld information regarding the murder of Dr. King, and is now releasing that information to the AP wire service.

Curry said her office has an ongoing investigation into the situation surrounding Dr. King's death, and at this time she is formally requesting assistance from the FBI regarding the investigation. When asked specifically what assistance she seeks from the FBI, she said she needed the names of individuals who searched James Earl Ray's car, who was at the scene of the murder, etc. When asked if all this information is not available already and has been since 1968, Ms. Curry replied that her office does have all this information, but she is actually just asking for FBI "support and assistance" in the investigation.

She mentioned twice that the newly released information from Don Wilson will receive wide media coverage.

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(Mount Clipping in Space Below)

# Supporters of King conspiracy preach ferverently to converted

By Marc Perrusquia  
The Commercial Appeal

They gathered Friday night at Centenary United Methodist Church, the believers and the curious, to hear the word of William Pepper and his gospel of conspiracy.

"How long will you tolerate this" coverup, Pepper shouted to an enthusiastic crowd of about 120 people.

From a preacher's pulpit, Pepper called some 15 "witnesses" who took turns "testifying" to knowledge of a plot to kill Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

It was an odd night at 584 E. McLemore, where King gave his last press conference the day before he was assassinated in 1968.

Pepper, attorney for confessed assassin James Earl Ray, presented two former Memphis police officers, two attorneys, a woman who claims she bore Jack Ruby's child, Criminal Court Judge Joe Brown, Ray's brother Jerry, a college professor and a former FBI agent who claims he has information on the shadowy Raoul who supposedly framed Ray.

"They don't want (the truth) to come out," said Donald Wilson. The former FBI agent gained attention last month when he claimed he found two slips of paper that made reference to Raoul in Ray's abandoned white Ford Mustang in Atlanta days after the assassination.

The event helped kick off a three-day convention of the Coalition on Political Assassina-

tions, a Washington-based organization of conspiracy buffs. The group will hold workshops and panel discussions today and Sunday at the Comfort Inn, 100 N. Front.

If Friday was any indication, it should rank among Memphis's more peculiar conventions.

FBI reports documenting the recovery of Ray's Mustang make no mention of Wilson and a bureau spokesman said his claim is a fraud.

But Wilson zealously stood his ground Friday, offering to have the papers scientifically tested and to testify if Ray ever gets a trial. Ray, 70, pleaded guilty in 1969, but claims he was set up by 'Raoul.'

"I was at the original recovery site of the Mustang. That's a fact," Wilson said, hammering his hand on the pulpit. The papers he claims he found in Ray's car included the name Raoul and a phone number linked to Jack Ruby, who died in 1967 after murdering Lee Harvey Oswald, the assassin of President John F. Kennedy.

Wilson, who said he's withdrawing his earlier offer to turn the papers over to U.S. Atty. Gen. Janet Reno, said the papers provide a link to the Kennedy and King assassinations. "I didn't turn them over (to superiors) because the bureau was a racist organization from bottom to top!" he declared to wide applause.

A re-examination by Dist. Atty. Gen. Bill Gibbons last month concluded there was no evidence to bring conspiracy charges against anyone for King's murder.

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Rev. James Lawson, a former King associate who pastored Centenary United Methodist in 1968, declared that Gibbons "lies" and is covering up the truth.

Other speakers included Lewis Garrison, attorney for former Memphis cafe owner Loyd Jowers, who claims he received money to have King killed. Gibbons's report said Jowers's story appears motivated by a desire to make money, which Garrison said wasn't true.

Garrison said authorities refuse to interview Jowers, who he said has information that a former Memphis police officer "now a CIA agent" was involved in King's murder.

Brown was removed from the Ray case for apparent bias.

*[Handwritten signature]*

44-1987-1250 FBI/DOJ

June 15, 1998

Ms. Jodi L. Paupke  
308 West Owens Street  
Weatherford, TX 76086

Dear Ms. Paupke:

This is in response to your April 27th inquiry concerning the investigation of the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. I appreciate the interest and concern which prompted you to write.

James Earl Ray was sentenced by a state judge and was incarcerated in a state penal facility for the assassination of Dr. King. Since the Shelby County, Tennessee, District Attorney General's Office has in the past investigated information provided to that Office by Mr. Ray's attorney, you may wish to direct any concerns you have about this case to Mr. John W. Pierotti, District Attorney General, 30th Judicial District, Suite 301, 201 Poplar Avenue, Memphis, Tennessee 38103.

Sincerely yours,

[REDACTED]  
Supervisory Special Agent  
Unit Chief  
Office of Public and  
Congressional Affairs

1 - SAC, Dallas - Enc.  
① - SAC, Memphis - Enc.  
62C-HQ-1077231

NOTE: Response based on previous replies to similar inquiries.

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*ASAC* [Signature]  
[REDACTED] *JWB/gb*  
44-1987-1251

Dear Federal Bureau of Investigation,



I am writing in concern of a major issue that has been brought upon America over the last week. James Earl Ray, accused of assassinating Martin Luther King, Jr., died due to natural health problems. The question remains, "Will a continuation of the search for evidence of who actually killed Martin Luther King, Jr. remain in effect?" The final stages of this case have not been uncovered. What steps are to be taken further? Please write a response to my questioning.

Jodi L. Paupke  
308 W. OWENS St.  
Weatherford, TX 76086

Sincerely,  
Jodi Paupke

JLP

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[Message Information]

PURPOSE: Offer neutral commentary, advice, or a suggestion  
TOPIC: No Answer  
AFFILIATION: Private Citizen  
SUBJECT: The assassinations of the Kennedys and Martin Luther King

[Message]

Dear Mr. President,  
Having won re-election you are in a unique position to let  
the American people learn the truth about these tragic  
assassinations. I believe that in so doing you will restore  
the faith in government that many of our generation(I'm in my  
fifties) have lost.

Most folks I know believe that the Warren Commission was a white wash and that you have the power to direct the Department of Justice to conduct further investigations and report to the people. I would also urge you to request that congress make available the information on the

assasination of President Kennedy that they have sealed until the year 2028. A coordinated effort, between the exectutive branch and congress might finally bring the truth out into the light of day and might well be remembered as another major accomplishment of your administration.

These tragic events had a profound influence on the lives of many people. I for one would like to know what really happened. I've heard it said that you would too.

Thank you for any consideration you may give this matter.

Very truly yours,  
Jim Allison

August 14, 1998

Mr. Jim Allison  
6 Walnut Drive  
Howell, NJ 07731

Dear Mr. Allison:

Your December 31, 1997, electronic mail communication to President Clinton, encouraging him to reinvestigate the assassinations of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., President John F. Kennedy, and Senator Robert F. Kennedy, was referred to the FBI for reply, where it was received July 31st.

Since the decision as to whether to reopen the investigation into the assassination of Dr. King rests with the Department of Justice, I am taking the liberty of sharing a copy of your communication with that Department.

In the interest of thoroughness and justice, the FBI has from time to time conducted follow-up inquiries into new allegations that appear credible regarding the assassination of President Kennedy. The results were furnished to the Department of Justice, which would have the authority to reopen this case. None of these allegations and subsequent inquiries have uncovered information warranting reopening the investigation. We do, however, continue to accept and investigate all credible information on this tragic event, and we would do the same in the event credible information was brought to our attention concerning the shooting of Senator Kennedy which would indicate others besides Sirhan Sirhan were involved. If you have information to provide which you believe would assist us in any investigation in these or other matters, you may wish to contact our office located on the 22nd Floor, One Gateway Center, Newark, New Jersey 07102-9889, telephone (201)622-5613.

In 1992, the 102nd Congress of the United States passed legislation calling for the release of all government records relating to the assassination of President John F. Kennedy. This is known as the JFK Records Collection Act of 1992. The JFK Records Collection Act requires all government agencies to transmit all "Assassination records" to the National Archives and Records Administration for public access. A presidentially appointed review board (known as the Assassination Records Review Board) is responsible for seeing that all materials relating to President Kennedy's assassination are released to the fullest extent possible pursuant to the Act.

1 - Assistant Attorney General - Enc.  
Criminal Division  
Department of Justice  
① - Memphis - Enc.  
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44-1987-1252

Mr. Jim Allison

In April, 1992, the FBI established the JFK Assassination Records Task Force (JFKARTF) to identify and process all documents in possession of the FBI relating to the assassination of President John F. Kennedy. In addition to main files directly relating to the assassination investigation, records deemed to be pertinent include documents provided to the House Select Committee on Assassinations during their investigation in the late 1970s. As of August 5, 1998, the FBI has released 754,015 pages to the National Archives and Records Administration. The FBI JFKARTF continues to process files for release.

All documents relating to President Kennedy's assassination are available for review at the National Archives and Records Administration at its College Park, Maryland, facility. For further information, you may wish to contact the JFK Access Staff at (301) 713-6620.

Sincerely yours,

  
Supervisory Special Agent  
Unit Chief  
Office of Public and  
Congressional Affairs

NOTE: Reply based on previous responses to similar inquiries. Current JFKARTF statistics provided by Mrs. Luann Wilkins, Historical and Executive Review Unit.

August 3, 1968

Mr. Lewis F. Freed, Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation.

RE: OPERATION TENNESSEE. THE PROOF THAT THE LATE JAMES EARL RAY ACTED  
ALONE IN THE ASSASSINATIONS OF THE REV. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

Dear Mr. Freed:

I AM DISTRAUGHT, FRUSTRATED AND APPALLED BY YOUR LACK OF CONCERN FOR A  
PARALLEL INVESTIGATION INTO THE DEATH OF THE REV. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. YOUR  
FOOT-DRAAGING DISPLAYS A DISDAINFUL, DISMISSIVE ATTITUDE FOR OPERATION TENNESSEE.

THIS OPERATION WOULD RESOLVE THE MISAPPREHENSION BOUGHT BY REV. KING'S WIDOW,  
WHO SUPPORTS A THEORY OF JAMES EARL RAY'S INNOCENCE, THIS IS CATEGORICALLY UNTRUE.

A PRISONER HERE AT PHILLIPS STATE PRISON, GARY SMITH, CONVEY THE MESSAGE THAT  
MR. RAY WAS A DANGEROUS, INSIDIOUS AND BENEFICIAL RACIST. HE THREW RACIAL EPITHETS  
THROUGHOUT THE TENNESSEE PRISON WHERE THEY BOTH SERVED TIME. MR. RAY EXPRESSED A  
POISONOUS HOSTILITY TOWARDS REV. KING BY DESCRIBING HIS ASSASSINATION AS "LIKE  
HUNTING A RABBIT." MR. SMITH STATES THAT MR. RAY WAS A STRONG-WILLED BIGOT THAT  
TOOK PRIDE IN ACTING ALONE.

I REITERATE THAT I AM WILLING TO COOPERATE IN OPERATION TENNESSEE, ON A  
CONFIDENTIAL BASIS, IN THIS MEDIA-DRENCH HIGH-PROFILE MATTER.

Sincerely,  
Wanted,

Billy F. Larkin

Billy F. LARKIN EF-210681

Billy F. LARKIN EF-21068,  
PHILLIPS STATE PRISON.

2989 WEST ROCK QUARRY RD.

BURFORD, CA 95158 <sup>per</sup> postal Guide



September 4, 1998


Mr. Billy F. Larkin, #EF-210681  
Phillips State Prison  
2989 West Rock Quarry Road  
Buford, GA 30518

Dear Mr. Larkin:

This is in response to your August 3rd inquiry concerning the reinvestigation of the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. I appreciate the interest and concern which prompted you to write, as well as your offer of assistance.

On August 26th, Attorney General Janet Reno announced that the Department of Justice will conduct an inquiry into certain allegations regarding Dr. King's assassination. The Department's Civil Rights Division, with support from the Criminal Division, will oversee this inquiry. Therefore, I am taking the liberty of sharing your letter with that Division. Additionally, a copy is being referred to our Memphis Office at Suite 3000, EagleCrest Building, 225 North Humphreys Boulevard, Memphis, Tennessee 38120-2107, telephone (901) 747-9739, for their consideration and review since the FBI continues to accept and investigate follow-up inquiries into new allegations that appear credible regarding this tragic event. In the meantime, if you have more specific details or additional information to support your allegations, please contact that Office directly.

Sincerely yours,

  
Supervisory Special Agent  
Unit Chief  
Office of Public and  
Congressional Affairs

1 - Mr. Barry F. Kowalski - Enclosure  
Special Litigation Counsel  
Civil Rights Division  
Department of Justice  
Washington, DC

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the truth about the JFK assassination.

—The Reagan administration's involvement in drug trafficking to finance its covert wars in Central America marked only the most recent manifestation of a policy inaugurated by European merchants in the 1500s: "afflict addiction on a large scale so drugs could be used to fund whatever activities the imperialists desired."

—Mark David Chapman was a programmed assassin directed by agents of the CIA and Britain's MI6, working through, among other entities, the YMCA. Chapman's victim, John Lennon, was targeted for termination because of his covert financing of the Irish Republican Army and the threat posed by his impending return to the world of music "as a powerful ambassador of peace."

—In 1992 Bill Clinton five times interrupted his presidential campaign to fly to Taiwan to oversee the CIA's Southeast Asian heroin trade.

—Both George Bush and Bill Clinton conspired to supplant the U.S. Constitution by placing the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) "in day-to-day control of governmental operations; they're the black-faceted military operatives that are seen flying black unmarked helicopters that are policing us."

"Growing up," says Giampaoli, "I didn't have the slightest idea about conspiracies. I mean, I was just the average kid."

Giampaoli came of age in the East Bay, graduating from high school in 1967, near the height of the Vietnam conflict. He didn't want to evade the draft, but neither did he "want to come home in a bag." So he enlisted in the Air Force, where his superiors directed him towards intelligence collection. Giampaoli became a Radio-Intercept and Analysis Specialist, assigned to a base north of London, where he analyzed Soviet-bloc tracking and air-defense response to such lunatic U.S. maneuvers as flying B-52 sorties over the pole into Russian airspace.

Giampaoli returned to the Bay Area in 1972, enrolling in Merritt College and meanwhile growing increasingly fascinated with the weekly radio broadcasts of Mae Brussell, the doyenne of American conspiracy theorists. For 18 years this born-again housewife aired the accumulated wisdom derived from her collection and collation of publicly available information indicating one vast, interwoven conspiracy to eliminate JFK, RFK and Martin Luther King Jr.

When Giampaoli transferred to Humboldt State in 1974, he encouraged the school's radio station, KHSU, to air Brussell's syndicated program. It did, and eventually Giampaoli himself secured a slot on KHSU, where for 10 years he and partner Tom Cairns "presented the news with a progressive spin on it." Both men used their day jobs to find and pursue leads—Cairns, a carrier for the U.S. Postal Service, would peruse periodicals before delivering them to people on his route, while Giampaoli's work as a phone-company testboard-technician "allowed me to call anywhere in the world." (In 1980 he succeeded in raising the U.S. Embassy in Tehran, but the Islamic militants on the other end of the line refused to allow him to speak to any American hostages.)

In 1990 resourceful postman Cairns spied a piece in a customer's Houston Post alleging Mafia and CIA involvement in the looting of the nation's savings and loan associations. On his suggestion, the pair prepared a special one-hour documentary on the affair; the day before the show would debut, however, Giampaoli was summoned to the station-manager's office, where he was declared "a personnel problem" and summarily booted off the air.

"Before I got kicked off the station," he says, "I didn't have the slightest inclination to write a book. To my way of thinking, I was simply a purveyor of alternative information, and my preferred medium was radio. But after I got kicked off, I thought, 'OK, fine: If they want to do this, I'll write a book.'"

First, however, Giampaoli was swept into an investigation of a series of suspicious murders on the county's Hoopa

Other Side, published in neighboring Trinity County. Shortly thereafter he was arrested and jailed for leaving a voice-mail message with a KHSU manager who had obtained a restraining order against him; while Giampaoli sat in stir, "the powers-that-be burglarized, ransacked and trashed my house. They sent me a message, OK? They took things that the average thief wouldn't, and left things the average thief would take. I mean, it didn't take a rocket scientist to figure it out."

Though successfully "run out of the county," Giampaoli persevered in trying to secure additional documents relevant to the Hoopa murders. When a federal judge refused on "national security" grounds to release 49 requested FBI files, Giampaoli succumbed to severe depression and was briefly hospitalized. When Giampaoli returned for a short visit to Humboldt County, a longtime friend confessed to being "owned by the Mafia, but a protector," admitting he had intervened on Giampaoli's behalf when "the powers-that-be" had decided to "terminate" him.

"At that point," he says, "I thought, 'Great. I've got a protector. I'm just going to go for it all.'" The result was *New World Disorder*.

In the penultimate chapter of *New World Disorder*, Giampaoli offers a number of corrective measures intended to bring the conspirators to heel—prosecuting the many driving entities, banning from government service anyone "determined to have a personally profitable, powerful, and eliminating of the CIA and all the covert intelligence agencies being the Pentagon into a plebiscite and instituting in U.S. society a culture of nonviolence." He hopes too that his book, in disseminating so much of-shrouded information, will serve to help avert the final victory of the conspirators.

Information and unification, he believes, are key. "The powers-that-be," he says, "want various factions of our society to be divided. Because if people are divided, it's easier to conquer. If people are at each other's throats, interest groups can exacerbate those differences. I want people to see through all that."

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Indian Reservation. Giampaoli amassed information that convinced him each death could be connected to law-enforcement complicity in local-methamphetamine production. No paper in Humboldt County would touch his findings; eventually, he placed a piece in The

Jack MacEnerney

## You Figure It Out

The nonstop verbal preening (when does "very" become "very, very...") of gays and their supporters—along with the experience of being groped on a city street in broad daylight—is what changed this writer from neutrality to confirmed skepticism. Does the good pastor remind anyone else of the type who says words like "or" and "that" three or four times in a row? Let's be reminded that for 10 or 15 years prior to the discovery by gays that they'd been born that way, "sexual preference" was what we never stopped hearing about. Let's remember how their 10th part became 2 percent or less under scrutiny.

Could it be that the bloc's been maneuvering all these years toward the goal of jobs of choice regardless of qualifications? Could that be the reason they did see fit to interfere with the freedom of speech?

Mel Dodge  
Willows

## Setting Things Straight

I'd like to thank you and Kevin Jeys for the two-page spread on my recent Chico State presentation, the 100 percent valid findings in *New World Disorder: How the Power Elite Manipulates History* and my additional deductions based on events/information developed since its 9/1/98 release. However, there were two very important aspects left out of the 1/14/99 article!

First and foremost, *New World Disorder* identified five shooters of JFK in the assassination of 11/22/63. This after 35 years of meticulous/thorough research and attending the 35th anniversary of

on the fact that, at the end of the 12/4/98 CSU, Chico (International Programs Forum) sponsored event, I announced my candidacy for the 1999 National Representative for the State Independent for the 2000 election.

Those interested in any of my activities can contact me via my P.O. Box 5676, Chico, CA 95927.

Roy J. Giampaoli  
Chico

## Sacrifices For The Children

Throughout the state and in Butte County, newly elected members of the local school district boards of education have been sworn into office. It is important to recognize and honor those who have been elected to serve in positions of trust for the welfare of our children.

The institution we know as "boards of education" is a unique system in the public schools of America. It affirms that local citizens selected by their peers are the best advocates for the educational interests of the students living within a given community. In many instances board members are the parents of children attending the schools, thereby enriching their day-to-day involvement and interest.

Members receive a stipend or compensation for personal expenses, most serve with little recognition or understanding by the public in regard to their role. Most often, those who aspire to serve as school board members are not aware of their role and responsibility until after they have been elected, and those who come with "an agenda" soon discover the enormity of the task and realize "their agenda" may not be the most critical.

Overall, the concept of electing local citizens to serve as trustees of our public schools and the learning of our children has served us well. Even

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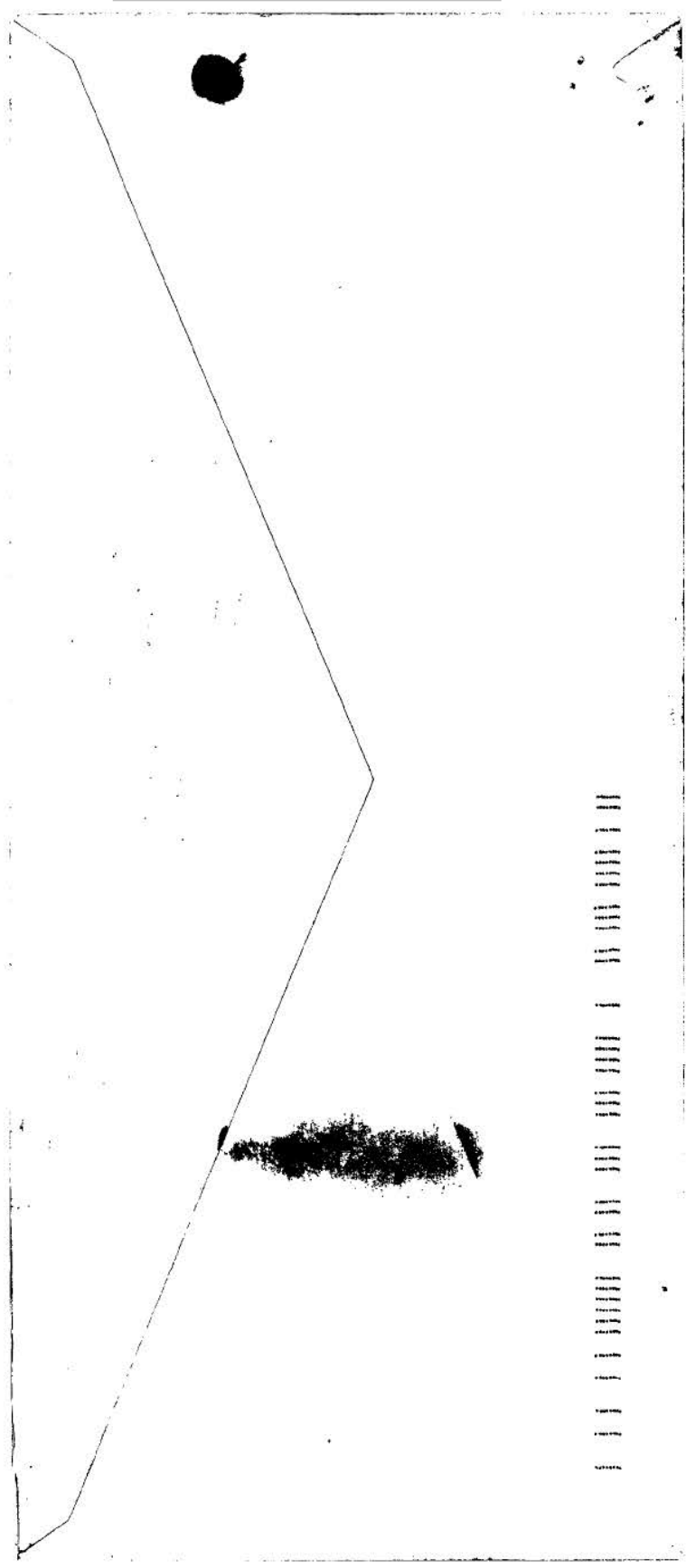
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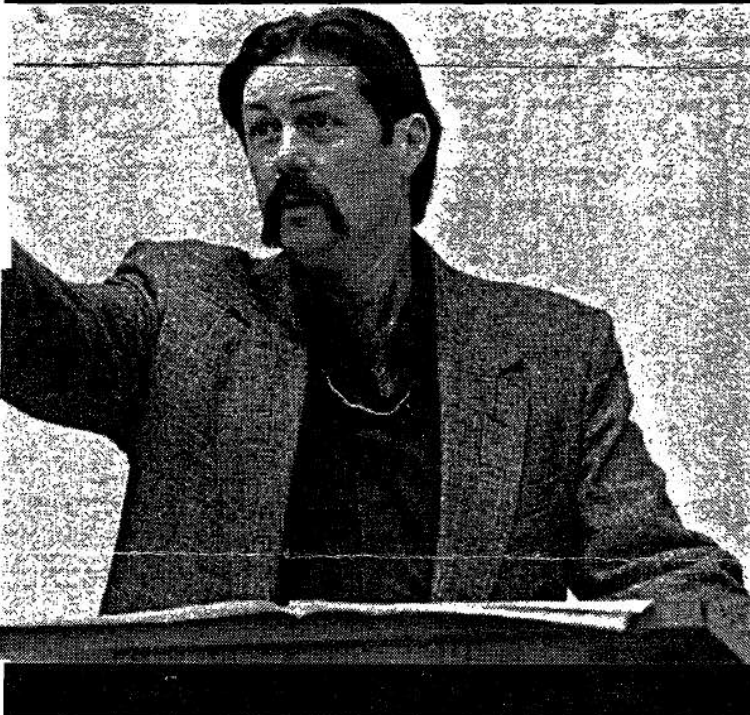
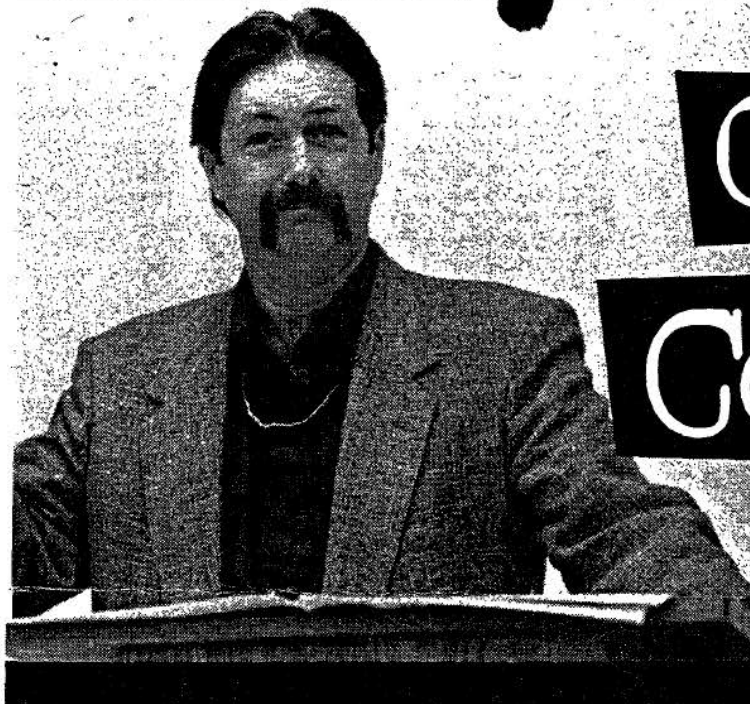
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# Conspiracy



## Dogged Chico Author's New Tome Exposes New World Disorder

By Kevin Jeys Photos By Sara Sipes

**Y**ou can trace conspiracy back centuries," says Roy Giampaoli. "People like Genghis Khan, who wanted to rule the world. Megalomaniacs—you've had 'em throughout history. Sociopaths, like Adolf Hitler. George Washington, who supposedly was the greatest spy who ever existed."

The people on this planet have long suffered among them "power freaks" wholly unsatisfied with life unless they can somehow "control the world." Freaks of this sort have manipulated the history of everyone now living, Giampaoli asserts, working at a task that began long before they or we were born. These days, such freaks strive to achieve a "one-world, super-socialist-capitalist state," and they fully intend to reach completion by the year 2000.

Their myriad machinations the self-described "conspiracy realist" Giampaoli has now exposed in his 614-page tome *New World Disorder*, available for \$25 from Tower Books, or Giampaoli himself (write P.O. Box 5676, Chico). Covering roughly the last 100 years of American history, *New World Disorder* offers among its many revelations:

—The Rothschild banking family has controlled the U.S.

economy since the late 1860s, when bankers J. P. Morgan and Anthony Drexel agreed to act as Rothschild's American agents. In 1910 a Rothschild-dominated cabal concocted the Federal Reserve System, which transferred control of the nation's money supply from Congress to an international banking cartel. When President William Taft resisted implementation of the system, bankers manipulated the 1912 presidential election to ensure the elevation of Woodrow Wilson, who approved the Fed the next year and, also on bankers' orders, in 1917 injected the U.S. into World War I.

—The 1960 presidential election was "a high-level Mafia turf-battle" between rival factions of the Mob. Richard Nixon, who felt "robbed" by the results, three years later directed, with J. Edgar Hoover and Lyndon Johnson, the assassination of 1960 victor John F. Kennedy.

—JFK's brother, Robert, was gunned down in 1968 in an operation overseen by agents of SAVAK, the Shah of Iran's intelligence service.

—Gerald Ford was awarded the presidency in 1974 as a "quid pro quo" for his role—compliant service on the Warren Commission—in suppressing



After JER's escape from the Missouri prison, it's chronicled that he (Eric Starvo Galt) was in L.A., CA at a bartending school. JER met up with "Raoul" in Toronto, Canada later in 1967. JER met a Canadian woman and opulently entertained her; he told her that there was plenty more money available. According to Philip H. Melanson in The Murkin Conspiracy, JER's claims of being run by Raoul are totally believable. Melanson found that JER and Raoul were in the same places at the same time, as a shadowy character named Jules Ricco Kimble! However, as of the June 1997 COPA conference, Melanson now believes that the Raoul who ran JER was not Jules Ricco Kimble but another man by the name of Raoul! A 1989 BBC documentary about the MLK assassination and Raoul, indicated that Kimble was incarcerated in El Reno (OK) Penitentiary. There was another CIA-connected man by the name of Raoul in Montreal in 1967; his name is Raoul Miori. Was Raoul Miori the U.S.-government's-agent provocateur who ran JER? Probably! Melanson says that JER's account is totally consistent with the methods of a complicated-covert-operations handler skilled in "tradecraft." JER's 1992 book Who Killed Martin Luther King?, written in prison, details how he was set up as the patsy for MLK's elimination. JER explains how and where Raoul got him into a smuggling scheme in the U.S., Canada and Mexico; plus Raoul was his paymaster. Raoul instructed JER to purchase a white Mustang auto (\$2,000) and a Remington .30-06 Gamemaster rifle, model 760 (with a 2x7 telescopic sight), similar to the one that killed MLK.

Returning to MLK and during January 1968, the SCLC held meetings in Miami and approved the D.C. Spring Project; also, 47-SCLC-field workers travelled to rural Southern counties to recruit volunteers for the Poor People's March. On the 9th, Stokely Carmichael and other Black leaders founded the Black United Front, to further their rights. On Feb. 17, SNCC and the BPP held an Oakland, CA rally; but the alliance was short lived as the SNCC was falling apart due to internal disagreements and continued harassment by the FBI.

Before MLK's 1968 assassination he most appropriately said, "We must all learn to live together as brothers or we will all perish as fools." The Memphis, TN sanitation workers-were having major problems with the city officials beginning in February 1968; they struck. Undercover-law enforcement were implicated; an incident caused a Black youth's death and 238 persons were arrested. MLK went there and led a March 28 demonstration of about 6,000 protestors; it ended in violence and looting. MLK decided to stay in the more-secure-downtown Hilton Hotel after the malay. A Memphis Commercial-Appeal editorial may have influenced MLK (and entourage) to switch to the Lorraine Motel. On April 3rd, MLK delivered his last speech at the Mason Temple. On the morning of April 4, 1968 JER registered as John Willard at a rooming house in Memphis; the back of which had a direct view of the Lorraine and room 306. Room 5B was selected due to its proximity to the common bathroom, with a window that looked upon the Lorraine Motel. MLK had stepped out of his room just about 6 pm and was talking with colleagues (Chauffeur Solomon Jones, musician Ben Branch and Rev. Jesse Jackson) in the

Is it a coincidence that Jackson is CFR? I'll bet he's a Freemason, too!

\* Why did Jackson, from the ground floor parking lot yell "3" times, "Hey Martin?" On the 3rd time, the shot rang out when MLK looked down!

Dear Mr. Locke & Memphis FBI Associates: \*OVER\* 2/15/99

This is directed to you in the ongoing effort to unmask the terrible deception of the MLK Jr. execution. As you're well aware, J. E. Ray did NOT shot & kill Rev. King, 4/4/68! You know that he was a PATSY similar to that of L.H. Oswald!

I'm sure you're aware of my interactions with numerous Memphis officials last October. Most significantly atty John Campbell of the TN A.G.'s office. As he obviously related to you, we did the verbal 2 step & he gave me the run-a-round on ALL the confounding evidence!

Remember, there's NO statute of limitations on MURDER & as long as the City of Memphis conspires to keep the TRUTH secret, it too (i you) are complicit!!! Isn't it about time that you & the FBI started acting on the up-&-up?

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