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T.D. Bar

October 23, 1968

Dear Mayor Daley:

As you know, the National Commission on the Causes and Prevention of Violence has organized a special task force to advise it of the facts relating to the violent aspects of various group demonstrations that have occurred so recently that adequate factual records are not yet available from other sources.

The task force is under the direction of William H. Orrick, Jr., of San Francisco. It consists of three groups, one investigating the violent aspects of the Chicago peace demonstrations, a second the disturbances in Miami early in August, and a third the outbreak of mass shooting in Cleveland in July. The Chicago group is under the direction of Daniel Walker, President of the Chicago Crime Commission and Vice President and General Counsel of Montgomery Ward.

Mr. Walker is receiving full cooperation from the responsible officials of your Administration as well as from the federal authorities concerned with the matter. He expects to submit a confidential report to us about the middle of November. This report will then be considered by the Commission's other task forces responsible for such topics as the violent aspects of group protest, the impact of the mass media, attitudes toward law and law enforcement, etc. These task forces will compare the events in Chicago, Miami and Cleveland with similar events in other cities and draw such conclusions as to the tactics and strategy of the demonstrators and the authorities as may seem appropriate. The work of the task forces will then be considered by the Commission in the course of preparing its own report.

We have not yet decided whether, after receiving the report of the Chicago group, it would be appropriate to conduct public or closed hearings relating to the events in Chicago, or when any such hearings should be held in view of the pending Grand Jury proceedings. In this connection, we would appreciate knowing your views on the matter and, if a hearing should be held, whether you would desire to testify.

I would like to thank you personally for the assistance your Administration has provided to Mr. Walker. I want to assure you that the Commission is looking into the Chicago events with no preconceived notions and that its sole purpose is to acquire an objective knowledge of the facts relevant to our mission.

Sincerely,

Milton S. Eisenhower
Chairman

The Honorable Richard Daley
Mayor of Chicago
Chicago, Illinois

November 9, 1968

Daniel Walker, Esq.,
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Dear Dan:

Enclosed is a copy of an article re your
efforts to investigate at Columbia.

Sincerely,

Thomas D. Barr
Deputy Director

Copy to Lloyd N. Cutler
Executive Director

Conscience

the individual law student to the hard questions about his opportunities for participation programs of social value which will allow him to make a realistic judgment about each firm's attitude. In addition, if enough people ask enough firms enough questions, the firms' attitudes will be more likely to change soon.

Differences

The firms seem to fall into three broad categories of attitude, and it might be helpful in interviewing to think about each firm in these terms: Firms who do as little as possible, doing just enough to be able to say that they are doing something.

Firms who are willing to have selected associates to participate in selected programs, who put limits on the programs and the number of participants such that the individual has no guarantee of doing what he wants to, or even doing anything at all.

Firms with a receptive attitude toward participation by anyone who wants to in the programs they are most interested in, as long as they can be reasonably justified as worthwhile.

Lack of Information

Anyone interested in the reality of the social response of the firm he works for, however, would need some information which is not available at this time. Inevitably, the responsibility of a firm increases with prosperity, and there are differences in prosperity from firm to firm. A commitment of 400 hours by one firm might be reasonable in relation to their ability to contribute, while such a commitment might be a mere token for a more prosperous firm.

Until audits of firm finances are publicly available, there will be no way to compare accurately the contributions in time or money of the firms in relation to their ability to contribute, therefore there will be no accurate means of determining which firms are discharging their responsibility to society as members of an economically favored segment of a vital profession.

Warren in Court

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The group, are subject to the disciplinary authority of Columbia, which have been

Three Groups Turn Down Study Of Activities at Chicago Convention

Heads of three law student groups last week declined to take part in a study under the auspices of the President's Commission on Violence of last summer's events in Chicago. The Survey of Human Rights Law, The Law Students Civil Rights Research Council, and the student Lawyers Guild, refused the invitation to help conduct interviews which are to be the basis of the planned study.

The primary reason given by the groups was that information gathered by the interviews could be incriminating or serve as a basis for prosecution of those who were in Chicago during the Democratic National convention.

The planned study is being done under the direction of Mr. Daniel Walker, now general counsel for Montgomery Ward, at the request of the Commission on Violence. The purpose of the study is to present a factual account of the disturbances.

Field Work

Field work for the study has been delegated to individuals in various cities. In New York, Miss Laura Banfield, of the firm of White and Case, is presently soliciting law students to conduct interviews for the study.

Three weeks ago Miss Banfield phoned Dean Willis Schug in an effort to solicit Columbia

law students to conduct the interviews. Said Dean Schug: "We were immediately concerned with the problems of incrimination and the possibilities that notes or names from the interviews might be subpoenaed."

"I didn't want the law school as such to take a position in this manner," explained Dean Schug. "The matter should be handled, if at all, by faculty and students as such."

Equivocal

Professor Paul Dodyk, in discussing the desirability of the project, remarked: "It's a question of whether the game is worth the candle."

"The other problem is whether you want to become a part of an instrument that may have so equivocal an outcome," he explained.

The proposed participation in the study was also discussed with other faculty members who expressed similar reservations, according to Dean Schug.

The matter was turned over to the Survey of Human Rights Law to attempt a resolution of the difficulties. After a discussion with Miss Banfield, it was decided that there was no practical way to protect the interviewees or others about whom information might be elicited.

Editor of the Survey, Tim Coulter, explained the decision: "We

don't want to involve the Survey in a project which may result in political prosecutions under the federal riot act. Even if interviewees or other materials weren't actually subpoenaed, the information might well be used by the FBI as a basis for repressive prosecutions."

"We're just too paranoid to trust the motives of either the Commission or whatever new Administration might get elected. Besides, we'd rather not be sucked into doing hack work for the government."

Steve Tullberg, of the Law Students Civil Rights Research Council, expressed reservations about the study: "There's no way to tell how the information's going to be used. Even if the interviews were 'anonymous' a criminal court could probably still subpoena the interviewees. All the government has to do is start a prosecution."

'Witch Hunt'

"We don't want to put that kind of information in the government's hands. It could be the first step in a witch hunt," explained Mr. Tullberg. "Even if we were assured that there were no such possibility, I think there are more important things to be done."

The Guild chapter declined to participate on similar grounds. The National Lawyers Guild, it was learned, has also refused to help with the study.

No action has been taken by the Dean's office with respect to the study. It is not expected that the law school will involve itself with the project, according to Dean Schug.

'Press Ban'

At this time it is not known to what extent interviews are being held elsewhere. According to Miss Banfield a "press ban" has been imposed until the completion of the study within the next few weeks.

The Commission on Violence was established by President Johnson under the direction of Milton Eisenhower after the assassination of Senator Robert Kennedy. The Commission is reportedly engaged in an effort to determine the number of firearms in the United States, among its other projects.

Uptight

Blacks want or need special representation.

But perhaps the prime reason for the desire to either have no such representation, or if so to have it in some kind of "unofficial" fashion, is that to meet the situation head-on in a forthright manner will be a painful reminder that all is not well in America's democracy.

OSTRICH

Like the proverbial ostrich, the American political consciousness has stuck its head in the sand to suppress perception of the rising tide that could very well sweep its frail carcass into the sea.

But who can expect the politicians to shake up the people with the hard, cold truth? And what people is there that doesn't want to keep its dirty linen in

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America in the 3/5 clause of our great constitution.

'DEMOCRACY'

Others can't face the reality that the black man was a chattel in slavery for nearly two centuries in American democracy. So they don't understand why black law students fail to respond to arguments against special representation which are based on "the democratic principle." Others refuse to face the reality that the great issues of the day are about white people's hang-ups as they affect Blacks, so they can't understand why

ly haphazard, way in which additional charges were added to the original complaints, the

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October 16, 1968

Dr. David Dodd Henry
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Urbana, Illinois

Dear Doctor Henry:

At the suggestion of Mr. Jenner, the Commission staff is seeking to obtain information concerning the disorders in the Illinois Union Building and the related events at the University of Illinois in early September of this year. This information would be of substantial assistance to the Commission and its Task Force on Group Violence in connection with their study of violent aspects of "university rebellion".

Accordingly, we would appreciate receiving from you any reports or studies which you may have or are in a position to prepare concerning this and earlier events at your campus. We would also be glad to receive any suggestions you have as to how your experience in September might contribute to our efforts to understand the problem of violence.

Sincerely,

Lloyd M. Cutler

October 22, 1968

Mr. Peter Hagan,
Police Inspector
Los Angeles Police Department
Los Angeles, California

Dear Mr. Hagan:

I understand that you have been contacted by our representatives with a view toward obtaining an observers' report on the Chicago Convention disorders.

The Chicago Study Team is fully authorized by the Commission to investigate the Chicago disorders. The law firm of O'Melveny & Myers is authorized to act on behalf of the Commission in obtaining this information and material. I would be most grateful if you would give two copies of the above report to Charles P. Reilly of O'Melveny & Myers.

Sincerely,

Lloyd N. Cutler
Executive Director

Copy to Mr. Walker and
Mr. Reilly

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Dear Martin:

Your paper is very good and contains a lot of useful stuff. The main difficulty I have with it is that it comes across as being a little simplistic because you don't really take sufficient care to analyze the differences between the situation of insurgent and counter-insurgent groups in America as opposed to the Third World. As a result, I got the sense that a lot of the language and analysis of the paper tends to be somewhat uncritically applied to the United States where it simply does not always fit. For example, the notion of guerrilla warfare in China or in Vietnam is quite different from the notion of guerrilla warfare in the United States. In both China and Vietnam the guerrillas could attempt to gain the support of the population at large, whereas in the United States the black community can only attempt to gain the support of the black community--or if not only, then principally. You ought to make this distinction clearer and ought to think about the implications of this distinction. You also ought to think about this in terms of student groups. For instance, it might well be possible that the kind of pluralist notion that's been kicking around in American sociology could be usefully applied to this paper with the idea that the society is not simply polarizing but is splitting off into different interest groups, and the old notion of interest group power in politics, is being injected in a far more forceful and violent fashion. There may indeed be inherent seeds of destruction in a pluralist society. That kind of speculation aside, it still seems to me that you have to distinguish between the Third World and the United States.

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Another problem in making this distinction is your lack of discussion of the effects of the general affluence of the country on the several stages of the process that you discussed including the possibility in this country of co-opting the militants and the whole question of this country's technical and economic potential for successfully repressing insurgency in contrast to the potential in the Third World. That is, the United States is not Guatemala or China or Cuba or Vietnam, and we must discuss how that distinction conditions every aspect of the dynamics of insurgency-counter-insurgency. Some specific comments: page 5 Par. 2: "demands for reform to demands for revolution." This is somewhat misleading. Violent means, including insurgency, can also be used for reformist ends; and thus the whole notion of revolution as applied to the United States is rather complex. Page 13, par. 2: "Prospects for revolution." This is probably not the most relevant question. Pages 13-14: The idea that you present of a pattern of escalation is simply too glib. Many of these tactics frequently exist side by side and not in progression and they're also probably done by different people. For example, look at page 15. It really is simplistic to say that there has been an escalation from non-violence to riots. Underlying that sort of statement is the implicit assumption that the people who marched on Washington are the same people who are rioting. That, of course, is simply not true. You have to say something like "in the face of the failure of non-violent protests, certain kinds of violence seem to have been precipitated." But I'm also not sure that that is true, either. I think it may be true in a very general way, but I, myself, am not sure of what the relationship is between the March on Washington and the Watts riots. That matter needs further thought.

In addition, non-violence has not stopped. Operation Breadbasket is in operation in Chicago; the Poor People's March goes on. I think we have to draw a distinction between the effectiveness of non-violent action and its existence.

Pages 19-20: The point about the militarization of political conflict is good. Actually, you could elaborate it to argue that there is first the criminalization of conflict, and then the militarization, without ever having to acknowledge that political issues exist. Page 21: The idea of the totalitarian implications of de-politicized political intervention is very neat, even though it's a bit over stated. Pages 27-28. I think you could improve upon your notion of the "victory" of the guerrillas. Again this ties in with the general problem that you're not dealing sufficiently well with the difference of the United States' situation. What would "victory" mean in the United States?

Anyhow, I think this is a very interesting and enlightening first draft, although it certainly won't stand as our final chapter by itself.

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But I think that we can make considerable use of it and hope that you will be able to make the revisions suggested as quickly as possible. I look forward to meeting you personally in the not-too-distant future.

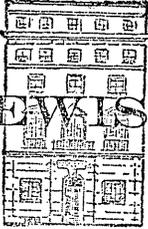
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Dear Mr. Barr:

I am writing at the suggestion of Mr. Cutler. I would appreciate your sending me material indicating the schedule of the hearings you are now conducting and the subject matters being covered, as well as any publication which you may have which contains the basic mandate of the Commission. When we have received this material we will endeavor to decide as soon as possible whether the American Jewish Congress has any contribution to make to the current hearings. I understand the tightness of your present schedule and it may well be that we will seek to submit a written statement without testifying.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely,



Joseph B. Robison

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Dear Morris:

Following up on our conversation this morning, I think it is important that we try to get some perspective on what happened in Chicago from respondents whose anonymity is protected. As I understand Dan Walker's method of operation (and I have not seen his interview instructions or any other documents from his shop), he is relying entirely on signed statements. What I am suggesting is not an attempt to refute testimony received in this manner, but rather a rounding out of that testimony in order that some determination can be made of the limitations of such data.

In this connection I think Charles N. Cooper might be helpful. Chuck has been working with the YMCA of Metropolitan Chicago and was for a time Research Director there. I have two telephone numbers for him at the Y (222-8130 and 222-8132). He is living at 1832 N. Orleans Street but has no home phone. He wrote me a couple weeks ago to the effect that "Of particular interest might be the fact that I am well acquainted with many of the key participants in the Chicago experience by virtue of living in the Lincoln Park neighborhood. In addition there is the probability that the "greasers" from white high schools were active there, and I have contact with outreach workers placed with this element."

Chuck has worked on advanced degree programs in Sociology both at the University of Chicago and Washington State University. While he has not been notably successful in this enterprise, he is a knowledgeable guy; and I think he could be extremely helpful in the current enterprise. In addition, there is at least

Mr. Morris Janowitz

one sociologist here in Washington who might be available to work on the Chicago operation. He is Jack Sussman. I enclose a copy of Jack's vita. Apparently he came in to talk with one of our staff members here while I was gone over the weekend. Again I presume, Sussman would be available for interviewing, scouting around, etc.

A third person who might be helpful is Gordon Misner. Misner is a first-rate police consultant, including consultation on security matters relating to political conventions. I have referred to him in the enclosed letter to Bill Orrick, over-all Task Force Director for Chicago, Cleveland, Miami, etc.

You are right that nothing very big can be accomplished at this time. I hope, however, that we can produce a document with some degree of credibility for social scientists. If we can't, I think we must acknowledge this fact. I have suggested, in addition to the interviewing procedure, several other things which can be handled without involving Dan Walker's staff. One of these is a content analysis of media coverage (including perhaps footage which ended up on the cutting room floor), a survey of public reactions to events in Chicago and Cleveland particularly, and position papers on a couple of topics.

One of the latter topics would have to do with consequences of the tendency to lump together members of different categories and classify them as groups. This in part, it seems to me, is what happened in Chicago. That is, hard core peace demonstrators, run-of-the-mill McCarthy supporters, the people who simply come to be where the action is, and probably dozens of other categories were lumped together, classified as "the threat." I am sure there were many consequences of this lumping together, including consequences for the strategies of protection and containment which were decided upon. A second position paper might consider varying reactions by the society to civil disturbances when carried out by such groups as Shriners and the American Legion on one hand, and peace demonstrators on the other. I am sure there are economic as well as political and other reasons for the tremendously different manner in which the society reacts to civil disturbances carried out by such groups.

I am delighted that you are going to help in this thing, and I will be in touch with you by phone very soon.

Sincerely,


James F. Short, Jr.

Enclosures

CC: Mr. L. N. Cutler, Mr. T. D. Barr, Mr. D. Walker, Mr. W. Orrick

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October 18, 1968

Mr. Ralph Nader
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Dear Mr. Nader:

Mr. Cutler has referred your letter of September 27 to the Research Staff. You will understand, of course, the enormity of the task faced by the Commission in preparing a report on so vast a topic in the short time allotted. We are very much interested in the relationship among various types of violence, and have noted the close relationship between automobile accidents and homicide. The "Report of the Secretary's Advisory Committee on Traffic Safety" had earlier come to our attention. The materials submitted with your letter are being examined by the Task Force on Mass Media. This Task Force has under consideration the general subject of violence in the context of advertising. We are sure the staff of this Task Force will avail themselves of the materials and other documents referred to in your letter.

Thank you for your interest in the Commission.

Sincerely,

James F. Short, Jr.

Marvin E. Wolfgang

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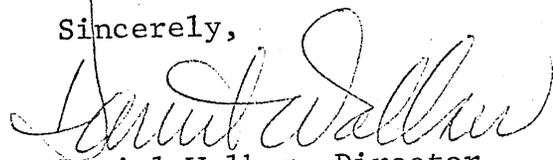
I read with interest your letter to Morris Janowitz. He and I had a good meeting last Thursday.

You should know that we are utilizing all kinds of statements - some signed by witnesses, some only by the interviewer and some of the "John Doe" variety to preserve anonymity. The last I am trying to hold to a minimum because, with respect to facts of particular incidents, refusal to permit a name to be used can cast doubt on credibility. However, if this is the only way we can take the statement, we are doing so.

I will follow through on Charles Cooper - this is a good lead.

Thanks much for the thoughts; all are welcome.

Sincerely,



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October 10, 1968

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Dear Mr. Cutler:

The American Jewish Committee considers the Commission on Violence an important vehicle through which the nation can study the causes and importance of preventing violence in our society.

As our former president, Morris E. Abram, who has just assumed the presidency of Brandeis University, wrote to you last June, both the American Jewish Committee and Brandeis University are engaged in a series of studies into the nature of intergroup and interpersonal hostilities and conflict, including the ultimate expression of violence. The Lemberg Center for the Study of Violence at Brandeis and AJC are planning a cooperative study of non-violence in all of its historical manifestations, its philosophical implications, its practical and strategic importance and its present and future potential. The study of violence to isolate and treat its causes, and the study of non-violence to identify the constructive forces it liberates, we feel, are basic to our understanding of what can and must be done to reduce tensions and strengthen our security and well-being as a nation.

Enclosed is a handbook, The Police on the Urban Frontier, which Judge George Edwards of the U. S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit and Police Commissioner of Detroit in 1962-63, wrote for us. It is being used extensively by the International Association of Chiefs of Police, many police departments and community groups in programs to help shape safer cities and defuse violence. Also enclosed is a copy of a pamphlet, Countering Extremism: A Primer for Americans, we recently published.

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As you may know, the American Jewish Committee was the first inter-group agency to mobilize the social sciences on a fundamental attack on prejudice and discrimination. Its book, The Authoritarian Personality offered practical insights into the causes and cures of aberrant individual behavior.

Our Washington representative, Hyman Bookbinder, informs us that you plan hearings on "The Role of the Media in the Process of Social Change." Here too we have a certain amount of expertise that we would be happy to place before the Commission. Specifically, we conducted a conference a year ago, with the Columbia University Graduate School of Journalism, for the Community Relations Service of the U. S. Department of Justice on the Mass Media and Race Relations. This two-day session, which chartered new ground in the area, has since served as a prototype for similar conferences in a dozen cities across the country, and stimulated a number of activities in the crucial matter of increasing representation of members of minority groups on the mass media. Enclosed is a summary report of that conference.

While we are not in the mass-media business as such, as intergroup-relations experts we have developed a number of concrete suggestions in what is certainly one of the most important areas of current intergroup concern. If you should desire it, we would be delighted to have a representative testify at your hearings.

Because we consider your efforts of tremendous importance, both the American Jewish Committee and Brandeis University would welcome an opportunity to be helpful in any way possible. Please let us know how we may help you reach our common goal of transforming our national anguish into a constructive force for peace and progress, justice and compassion.

Cordially,

Arthur J. Goldberg
President

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cc: Thomas Barr
Robert Baker
Hyman Bookbinder

October 15, 1968

Mr. Joseph B. Robison
American Jewish Congress
15 East 84th Street
New York, N. Y. 10028

Dear Mr. Robison:

We were pleased to learn of your offer to cooperate with this Commission.

As you requested, I am enclosing schedules of our hearings and copies of the President's Executive Order and Statement to the Commission of June 10, 1968.

As you will see, we are well into our schedule. Only hearings on Group Violence and Law Enforcement remain. As you suggested, submission of a written statement by the American Jewish Congress would probably be the most effective way to proceed at this point. I have every reason to expect that such a statement would be of substantial value to our work.

Very truly yours,

Thomas D. Barr
Deputy Director

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October 8, 1968

Mr. William H. Orrick, Jr.
405 Montgomery Street
San Francisco, California

Dear Mr. Orrick:

It was a pleasure to meet you last week and to share with you some of the problems of Task Force #8 and the Commission in general.

I thought perhaps a note reminding you of Professor Gordon Misner at the School of Criminology in Berkley might be appropriate. I believe Gordon will prove to be extremely helpful to all of us because of his long-standing relationships with the police and his distinguished scholarly work in this area. He has been a consultant to the police concerning several matters of interest to Task Force #8. If he cannot himself provide the necessary information or entree which we require, he can probably be helpful in suggesting people who would be of assistance in Chicago, Cleveland, and Miami. Another person who would be good to talk with is Jerry Skolnick, Director of our Task Force on Demonstrations, Protest and Group Violence. Jerry is located at the Law and Society Center on the campus at Berkley.

Since Morris Janowitz, Chairman of Department of Sociology at University of Chicago, will be working with Dan Walker in Chicago, I hope you will have an opportunity to confer also with him. I enclose a copy of a recent letter which I have written to Morris concerning the Chicago investigating.

Mr. William H. Orrick, Jr.

We are proud to have you with us. I am sure the distinction you bring to the work of the Commission is genuinely appreciated by all. I look forward to future work with you.

Sincerely,



James F. Short, Jr.

Enclosure

CC: Mr. L. N. Cutler
~~Mr. T. D. Barr~~ ←
Mr. D. Walker
Mr. M. Janowitz

October 14, 1968

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Thomas C. Greening, Ph.D.
Chairman
Psychological Service Associates
1314 Westwood Boulevard
Los Angeles, California 90024

Dear Dr. Greening:

The Commission on Violence has divided itself into eight task forces, each of which is considering a different aspect of violence. I am co-director of the task force which is concerning itself with violence directed towards political figures, including assassination. Accordingly, your letters of October 7, 1968, and the proposal for a psychological study of the accused assassin, Sirhan, enclosed with those letters were referred to me.

Both Sirhan and Ray have been arrested and accused of the crimes of assassinating Robert Kennedy and Martin Luther King, respectively. Neither, however, has come to trial. Until such time as the accusations of the state against those men have been fully resolved by trial in accordance with due process of law, I am sure you will agree that it would be improper for this Commission to take any position assuming the guilt or innocence of either party of the crime of which they are charged or to take any position which would bear upon any defense such as insanity which either may wish to raise at his trial. Accordingly, we cannot properly, and will not, undertake to study either accused assassin.

The value inherent in assuring each as fair a trial as possible outweighs any value which might be gained from a study at this time based upon the assumption that both men are guilty, even though they have pleaded innocent, and are awaiting trial.

This is not to suggest that I disagree with what I understand to be your basic thesis from a reading of your proposal -- that we must make every effort to understand the causes that drive men to assassinate in order that we may prevent such acts. Your proposal is obviously the result of much good thinking and as a methodology for approaching the problem is not necessarily locked in to the accused assassin, Sirhan. As a suggested general methodology for approaching the problem of assassination your proposal is most interesting and is most helpful. We sincerely appreciate your sending the proposal to us. It parallels much of the thinking and approach that we have already adopted and I am confident that the report of our task force will attempt to deal with the factors that you raised. I am also confident that you understand, and I trust you fully agree with, the position the Commission must take with respect to the two accused assassins -- that we cannot comment or discuss them at this time.

Very truly yours,

James F. Kirkham
Co-Director, Task Force
on Political Assassination

cc: Thomas D. Barr
James S. Campbell
William G. McDonald

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Dear Lloyd:

Enclosed for your information is a copy of a telegram sent by Bailey K. Howard, President of the Field newspapers. I have not yet learned of the response.

Sincerely,



Daniel Walker, Director
Chicago Study Team

cc. Thomas D. Barr, Esq.
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New York, New York 10022

October 14, 1968

Robert H. Freilich, Esq.,
Professor of Law
University of Missouri--Kansas City
School of Law
5100 Rockhill Road
Kansas City, Missouri 64110

Dear Bob:

Thank you for your letter of October 8 and the reprint of your interesting article in the Journal of Urban Law. We are concerned with the best way to deal with the problem of civil disobedience, and your article will be very helpful to us in that regard. I will turn your article over to the task force groups who are concerned with this problem. We have already devoted considerable hearing time to the subject of civil disobedience and, therefore, will not be able to invite you to testify.

Since I graduated from the then University of Kansas City in 1953, I am particularly happy to have this contribution from you.

Sincerely,

Thomas D. Barr
Deputy Director

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October 8, 1968

Thomas Barr, Esq.
Cravath, Swaine & Moore
1 Chase Manhattan Plaza
New York, New York

Dear Tom:

Henry Lowet suggested that I send you a reprint of my article on Civil Disobedience which appeared in this summer's edition of the Journal of Urban Law. It has some interesting analysis of alternatives to violence and the history of violence in this country. In your capacity as counsel for the President's Commission on Violence I would be happy to furnish you with additional information or to appear before the Commission if you feel that would be helpful.

As you can see from the article, since leaving Yale Law in '57 I have returned to the academic life via a doctorate at Columbia. I'm now in charge of the Urban Affairs and Land Planning program of the University of Missouri-Kansas City School of Law.

I shall look forward to hearing from you, and please send my regards to Henry if you see him.

Cordially,

Robert H. Freilich
Robert H. Freilich
Professor of Law

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October 6, 1968

Mr. Robert K. Baker
National Commission on the Causes
and Prevention of Violence
726 Jackson Place, Northwest
Washington, D. C. 20506

Dear Bob:

Thanks much for your letter; I will proceed as suggested.

We would like to initiate action to obtain the network film on the Chicago disorders. Can we get copies? We have the equipment (on loan from Bell & Howell) to view it.

In view of my impossible time deadline, I would like to obtain this film as soon as humanly possible.

Also, we would like to interview the network men who were present. Should we proceed directly with Hagerty, et al? Or do you want to advise them that our New York representative (a lawyer chosen by Tom Barr) will be in direct touch with them?

May I contact Mr. Crouse of Radio Television News Directors Association directly?

Lloyd Cutler, Tom Barr and I all agree that I should not try to measure or evaluate media coverage of the Chicago disorders. I will only be concerned with (1) media coverage as causing disorder or violence, and (2) incidents of violence in which media representatives were involved (as requested by the Bailey Howard telegram).

Mr. Robert K. Baker

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October 6, 1968

Please call me about these matters as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

Daniel Walker, Director
Chicago Study Team

cc. Thomas D. Barr, Esq.

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October 10, 1968

Professor Leon Radzinowicz
University of Virginia Law School
Charlottesville, Virginia 22904

Dear Professor Radzinowicz:

Thank you for your letter of October 1. It was a great pleasure and privilege for all of us to have you with us even for a brief period. Certainly, I and the other members of the staff were greatly stimulated by your enlightening testimony and conversation. It is very good of you to take the time from your busy schedule to help us.

Sincerely,

Thomas D. Barr
Deputy Director

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October 1, 1968

Mr. Thomas D. Barr
Deputy Director
National Commission on the Causes
and Prevention of Violence
726 Jackson Place, N.W.
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Dear Mr. Barr:

I would like to thank you most warmly for the effort which you are making to provide me with all the documents issued by the previous Commission. It is hardly necessary for me to tell you how important it would be for me to have such a set handy. I would be grateful to you for letting me know what I would be expected to do to get the remaining part of the set which it is particularly difficult to obtain.

Please remember me kindly to your staff and to all your other colleagues. I hope that we shall meet again.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, likely belonging to the sender of the letter.

October 8, 1968

Dr. Royal D. Colle
Cornell University
Department of Communication Arts
Roberts Hall
Ithaca, New York 14850

Dear Doctor Colle:

I am pleased to extend an invitation to you and your group of approximately twenty students to attend our hearings on the Mass Media which will be held October 16 and 17 in Room 1318, New Senate Office Building. They will begin at 10:00 A.M. on both days and end at approximately 4:30 P.M. I have enclosed a tentative list of witnesses.

Please show this letter to the guard to gain entrance to the hearing room.

This invitation is conditional. In the event the Commission decides to close part of this set of hearings, we will not be able to admit you for that session. It is unlikely that the hearing scheduled for October 17 will be closed. I will not know whether the hearing scheduled for October 16 will be closed or open until Monday, October 14. My guess at this point is that it will be open. However, please do not rely on that guess.

Feel free to call me at 202-395-4617 on Monday, October 14, for confirmation.

Very truly yours,

Joseph R. Sahid
Assistant to the
Deputy Director

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To: Professor Tumin
From: Mr. Mulvihill
Subject: Fred C. Scribner, III

This is to inform you that Fred C. Scribner, III will no longer be carried as a member of the staff of Task Force III. For future purposes, he will be referred to as a consultant on a temporary basis.

cc: Dr. Wolfgang
Dr. Short
Mr. Barr ✓
Mr. Campbell

October 8, 1968

Mr. Charles N. Arnold
3233 Dandridge Avenue
Knoxville, Tennessee 37915

Dear Mr. Arnold:

The President has been kind enough to refer your letter to us. We were pleased to learn of your offer to testify.

For a number of reasons, including the rather rigorous restraints of our time schedule, we have had to limit our hearings to a relatively small number of witnesses whose point of view cannot be conveniently obtained except through the presentation of live testimony. Accordingly, I regret that we cannot at this time extend to you an invitation to give oral testimony.

We are, however, very interested in your views. We would be grateful to receive, for incorporation into the permanent records of this Commission, a letter detailing your thoughts on violence. We have every reason to believe that such a letter would be of substantial value to our work.

Thank you for your interest in the responsibilities of this Commission.

Yours very truly,

Joseph R. Sahid
Assistant to the
Deputy Director

JRS/smd

October 8, 1968

Mr. Thomas Rose,
Instructor in Sociology
The Federal City College
425 Second Street, N.W.,
Washington, D. C. 20001

Dear Mr. Rose:

I have received your request for transcripts of
our hearings.

Unfortunately, we have only a limited number
available for our own use. If you wish to have a copy made,
I would be happy to lend the transcripts to you. I would
ask that you send a messenger to my office to whom I could
give a copy.

Very truly yours,

Joseph R. Sahid
Assistant to the
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October 3, 1968

Thomas D. Barr, Esq.
Cravath, Swaine & Moore
One Chase Manhattan Plaza
New York, New York 10005

Dear Tom:

After our conversation, I'm more than ever sure that we understand each other. In short, I'll deliver a product that will meet the standards that you and Lloyd have a right to expect.

I do hope you will be able to give me a first-rate man that you (as I will have to) would rely on in taking statements from key people in New York. I will need him soon.

As you know, the media will be "looking over our shoulder," particularly on incidents of violence involving media representatives. They are likely to judge the entire report on the basis of the quality of the men who interview their representatives. I would like, therefore, to have an experienced lawyer conduct interviews of media representatives in New York who were in Chicago.

You know my time deadline--please give me a capable guy as soon as possible. I'll give him the names of persons to interview.

Sincerely,

Daniel Walker

TELEPHONE MESSAGE RECEIVED 10/4/68, 1:25 P.M.

FROM: GEORGE NEWTON

FOR: MR. BARR

I talked to Joe Laitin this morning and Joe is afraid that any release of information on firearms which we would make would affect the legislation next week. The Conference Committee is meeting next Tuesday after having a meeting last night until midnight. Congress intends to adjourn next Saturday and the people at Alcohol and Tobacco Tax tell me there is grave doubt whether the legislation will get through Congress next week.

My view is that this makes it the more important for us to release our figures on the number of firearms in the United States. Joe Laitin is very reluctant to do this. We can talk about it further on Monday.

October 2, 1968

Dr. Milton S. Eisenhower
Evergreen House
4545 North Charles Street
Baltimore, Maryland 21218

Dear Doctor Eisenhower:

I have called your letter from Senator Percy to Dan Walker's attention. We agree that the three men he mentions should be contacted. I had spoken to Hal Bruno from Newsweek several weeks ago and Dan is quite close to Stevenson and knows Rumsfeld quite favorably.

I should add that Lloyd ran into Senator Percy and told him how much we appreciate his offer and the names he had suggested.

Sincerely,

Thomas D. Barr
Deputy Director

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Dear Jim:

Please note the enclosed letter from Senator Charles Percy. Not only because he is a Senator, but also because he is an intimate friend of mine. I shall appreciate it very much if his suggestions are given to the chairman of the new task force, and it would be a great favor to me if someone would indicate to me later what the outcome of Senator Percy's suggestions is.

Obviously I have no desire to tell the task force what to do with it. I merely wish to extend the usual courtesies to a member of the Senate.

Sincerely,



Mr. James S. Campbell
General Counsel
National Commission on the Causes
and Prevention of Violence
Washington, D.C. 20506

September 13, 1968

Professor James Vorenberg
Harvard University Law School
Cambridge, Massachusetts 02138

Dear Professor Vorenberg:

This is to confirm our arrangements to have you testify as a witness before this Commission. You are scheduled to testify at 2:00 p.m., on September 25, 1968, in Room 1114 on the first floor of the New Senate Office Building. The nearest entrance to this room is on the Constitution Avenue side of the building near First Street.

I have enclosed a list of witnesses who will appear during your session of the hearings.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions regarding the hearings. Your continued cooperation is greatly appreciated.

Yours very truly,

Joseph R. Sahid
Assistant to the Deputy Director

Enclosure

September 18, 1968

Dean George Gerbner
Annanberg School of Communication
University of Pennsylvania
3620 Walnut Street
Philadelphia, Penn. 19104

Dear Dean Gerbner:

This is to confirm our arrangements to have you testify at 2:00 p.m., on October 16, 1968, in Room 1114 on the first floor of the New Senate Office Building. The nearest entrance to this room is on the Constitution Avenue side of the building near First Street.

To assist the Commissioners' preparation for the hearings, it would be greatly appreciated if you could send me a biographical sketch of yourself, an outline of your proposed testimony, and one copy of three or four references which you recommend to the Commissioners' attention. It would be most helpful if I could receive these by September 27.

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Yours very truly,

Joseph R. Sahid
Assistant to the
Deputy Director

September 19, 1968

Robert Haynes, Esq.,
Special Agent,
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Rm 1016
315-9th Street, N.W.,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Haynes:

I hope the following will clarify our telephone conversation of yesterday.

Requests for additional information from the Director of the FBI about the financing and membership of organizations listed in the Glossary of Subversive, White Hate, Black Nationalist and Criminal Organizations (excluding the Communist Party, USA, the Progressive Labor Party and the Socialist Workers Party).

1. Which of the organizations listed in the Glossary of Subversive, White Hate, Black Nationalist and Criminal Organizations receive financial support from either foreign governments or foreign organizations?
2. What proportion of the budget of each organization receiving foreign support comes from such sources?
3. Which of the organizations listed in the Glossary have as leaders (i.e., officers, publicly known spokesmen or organizers) persons who are known to be members of the Communist Party USA, Progressive Labor Party, Socialist Workers Party, or other Marxist-Communist organizations.
4. What proportion of the membership of each of the organizations listed in the Glossary holds membership in one of the Marxist-Communist organizations?

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely yours,

Patricia R. Harris

July 5, 1968

Mr. James F. Kirkham
Pillsbury, Madison and Sutro
225 Bush Street
San Francisco, Calif. 94104

Dear Mr. Kirkham:

The National Commission on the Causes and Prevention of Violence extends to you an invitation to confer with the Executive Director and Staff of the Commission on matters pertaining to Commission business for a period of one week beginning July 8, 1968.

We will pay your travel expenses (airline, railroad, etc.) and \$16.00 per day in lieu of subsistence as authorized by law.

Sincerely yours,

William G. McDonald
Administrative Officer

WGM/amh

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Subject file ✓

September 19, 1968

Professor Leon Radzinowicz
University of Virginia Law School
Charlottesville, Virginia 22904

Dear Professor Radzinowicz:

Enclosed is the text of the speech
delivered by Mr. Widgery at the recent
American Bar Association meeting.

Please contact me if I can be of
any further assistance.

Sincerely yours,

Joseph R. Sahid
Assistant to the
Deputy Director

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September 19, 1968

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University of Chicago
Chicago, Illinois

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JRS/smd

September 17, 1968

Professor Leon Radzinowicz
University of Virginia Law School
Charlottesville, Virginia 22904

Dear Professor Radzinowicz:

As requested by Mr. Cutler, I am enclosing copies of Hubert Humphrey's speech delivered September 11 in New Orleans and Richard Nixon's speech of September 13. I have also included the text of the report of Mr. Humphrey's Task Force on Order and Justice.

I will forward the rest of the material you requested as soon as it comes to me through the mail.

Sincerely yours,

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Mr. N. V. Petrou, President
Westinghouse Defense and Space Center
P. O. Box 1693
Baltimore, Maryland 21203

Dear Mr. Petrou:

I am gratified to learn of the proposal of Mr. Richard Lence and Mr. Paul Davis of your Advanced Studies Group to conduct a comparative analysis of violence directed towards political figures. The proposed analysis focuses on Japan, which during the 20th century has many aspects of particular relevance in any comparison with the United States.

Mr. James Kirkham, Co-Director of the task force concerned with violence directed towards political figures, has discussed the proposed analysis with Mr. Lence and Mr. Davis, and Mr. Daniel Tretiak of their group, both in person and by telephone, and with Dr. James Short, our Co-Director of Research. They agree, and I concur, that the proposed analysis would be of great value to the Commission.

I am also gratified to learn that there is a substantial possibility the Westinghouse Electric Corporation will support the work of its Advanced Studies Group for the Commission and absorb the cost of the proposed comparative analysis. The facets of the problem of violence are so many that it is impossible for the Commission, under the funding it has received, to contract for the research work necessary fully to study this most important problem. For example, though the proposed analysis by your Advanced Studies Group would be most valuable to us, our budget is fully committed and we would be unable to take advantage of that work unless it was supported by Westinghouse.

Mr. N. V. Petrou, President
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Westinghouse would not be alone in contributing its services to the important work of the Commission. The private sector has responded generously to our problem. Examples of private organizations which have donated services to the Commission include General Electric, Rand and Stanford Research Institute. Extensive valuable data that have already been collected by individuals or groups in the academic community are being donated to the Commission and the majority of our co-directors are being supported in large part by the private organizations from which they have been recruited.

I sincerely hope that it will be possible for Westinghouse Electric Corporation to do the proposed analysis. It will be a valuable part of the task force report. We would, of course, give full attribution and acknowledgement to Westinghouse.

Sincerely yours,

LLOYD N. CUTLER
Executive Director

CC: Mr. Richard Lence
Advance Study Group
Westinghouse Electric Corp.
225 Wyman St.
Waltham, Mass. 02154

HEARING NO. I

Supplement

1. Revised witness list
2. Biography of Robin Fox
3. Summary of testimony of Benjamin Quarles
4. Berkowitz, "Impulse, Aggression and the Gun", from
Psychology Today
5. James Reston, "Boston--How to Get Less Law and Order",
New York Times, September 15, 1968
6. Lloyd N. Cutler, "Civil Strife and the Law: An Overview".
7. Report of the Vice President's Task Force on Order
and Justice.

September 18, 1968

Dr. Leonard Berkowitz
Department of Psychology
University of Wisconsin
Madison, Wisconsin 52715

Dear Dr. Berkowitz:

This is to confirm our arrangements to have you testify at 12:00 p.m., on October 16, 1968, in Room 1114 on the first floor of the New Senate Office Building. The nearest entrance to this room is on the Constitution Avenue side of the building near First Street.

To assist the Commissioners' preparation for the hearings, it would be greatly appreciated if you could send me an outline of your proposed testimony, and one copy of three or four references which you recommend to the Commissioners' attention. It would be most helpful if I could receive these by September 27.

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Yours very truly,

Joseph R. Sahid
Assistant to the
Deputy Director

September 18, 1968

Professor Albert Bandura
820 San Francisco Court
Stanford University
Palo Alto, California

Dear Professor Bandura:

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Assistant to the
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September 18, 1968

Leonard Goldenson, Esq., President
American Broadcasting Company
1330 Avenue of the Americas
New York, N. Y. 10019

Dear Mr. Goldenson:

On behalf of the Commission, I would like to extend an invitation to the American Broadcasting Company to participate in our hearings concerning the role of the media in violence. They are scheduled for October 16-17, 1968.

We hope to open this set of hearings with presentations by several academicians, including Dr. Albert Bandura, Stanford University; Dr. Leonard Berkowitz, University of Wisconsin; Dr. Ruth E. Hartley, University of Wisconsin; and Dr. Bradley Greenberg, Michigan State University. Representatives from the media would then be asked to present their views to the Commission.

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Joseph R. Sahid
Assistant to the
Deputy Director

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Copy to James Haggerty, Esq.
Vice President, Corporate Relations
American Broadcasting Company
1330 Avenue of the Americas
New York, N. Y. 10019

September 18, 1968

Mr. Leo Bogart
Vice President, Bureau of Advertising
American Newspaper Publishers Association
485 Lexington Avenue
New York, New York 10017

Dear Mr. Bogart:

This is to confirm our arrangements to have you testify at 10:00 a.m., on October 17, 1968, in Room 1114 on the first floor of the New Senate Office Building. The nearest entrance to this room is on the Constitution Avenue side of the building near First Street.

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Yours very truly,

Joseph R. Sahid
Assistant to the
Deputy Director

September 18, 1968

Mr. Leonard Darwin
Administrator of Code Authority
Comics Magazine Association of America, Inc.
300 Park Avenue
New York, New York 10010

Dear Mr. Darwin:

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Joseph R. Sahid
Assistant to the
Deputy Director

September 18, 1968

Dr. Ruth E. Hartley
Director, Human Development Program
College of Human Biology
University of Wisconsin - Green Bay
P. O. Box 834
Green Bay, Wisconsin 54305

Dear Dr. Hartley:

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Deputy Director

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September 18, 1968

Dr. Bradley Greenberg
School of Journalism
Michigan State University
East Lansing, Michigan

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Deputy Director

September 18, 1968

Dr. Frank Stanton, President
Columbia Broadcasting System
51 West 52nd Street
New York, N. Y. 10019

Dear Doctor Stanton:

On behalf of the Commission, I would like to extend an invitation to the Columbia Broadcasting System to participate in our hearings concerning the role of the media in violence. They are scheduled for October 16-17, 1968.

We hope to open this set of hearings with presentations by several academicians, including Dr. Albert Bandura, Stanford University; Dr. Leonard Berkowitz, University of Wisconsin; Dr. Ruth E. Hartley, University of Wisconsin; and Dr. Bradley Greenberg, Michigan State University. Representatives from the media would then be asked to present their views to the Commission.

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Assistant to the
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JRS/smd

Copies to Dr. Joseph Klapper
Columbia Broadcasting System
51 West 52nd Street
New York, N. Y. 10019

Robert Evans, Esq.,
Deputy General Counsel
Columbia Broadcasting System
51 West 52nd Street
New York, N. Y. 10019

September 18, 1968

Julian Goodman, President
National Broadcasting Company
300 Rockefeller Plaza
New York, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Goodman:

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Assistant to the
Deputy Director

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Copy to Cory Dunham, General Counsel,
National Broadcasting Company
300 Rockefeller Plaza
New York, N. Y.

September 18, 1968

Jack Valenti, Esq., President
Motion Picture Association of America
522 Fifth Avenue
New York, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Valenti:

On behalf of the Commission, I would like to extend an invitation to the Motion Picture Association of America to participate in our hearings concerning the role of the media in violence. They are scheduled for October 16-17, 1968.

We hope to open this set of hearings with presentations by several academicians, including Dr. Albert Bandura, Stanford University; Dr. Leonard Berkowitz, University of Wisconsin; Dr. Ruth E. Hartley, University of Wisconsin; and Dr. Bradley Greenberg, Michigan State University. Representatives from the media would then be asked to present their views to the Commission.

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Assistant to the
Deputy Director

JRS/smd

Copy to Sydney Schrieber, Esq., Secretary
Motion Picture Association of America
522 Fifth Avenue
New York, N. Y.

NATIONAL COMMISSION ON THE CAUSES AND PREVENTION OF VIOLENCE

726 JACKSON PL., N.W.
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20506

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ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

Dear Mr. Sills:

Confirming our telephone conversation today, we would very much appreciate your appearing before the Commission on October 9, 1968, Room 1114, New Senate Office Building. I would expect at this point that we would not reach you until the afternoon of that day but I will be in touch with you further when our hearing plans are filled out in more detail.

I would hope that you would be in a position to discuss the following:

1. The New Jersey law, which I believe was adopted in 1966; what it does and what it does not do.
2. The reasons why the New Jersey law must be supplemented by Federal legislation regulating the interstate flow of firearms.
3. The reasons why further Federal legislation relating to registration of firearms or licensing of firearms owners is necessary.
4. Statistics on firearms crimes (homicides, aggravated assaults, robberies, or other such crimes) before and after the 1966 New Jersey firearms law.

If there are any other matters which you believe the Commission should be informed of, I would be happy to discuss them with you.

We intend to submit as much information as possible to the Commissioners approximately two weeks prior to the

COPY FOR: MR. BARR ✓

hearing. If it is possible for you to submit a prepared statement or a compilation of statistics we would like to include such in this mailing. If this is not possible, we might submit copies of your prior testimony before the Dodd Committee to the Commissioners.

I appreciate your cooperation and look forward to meeting you.

Very truly yours,



George D. Newton, Jr.
Director, Task Force on Weapons

Honorable Arthur T. Sills
Attorney General for
State of New Jersey
Trenton, New Jersey

September 3, 1968

Professor Tilman M. Cantrell
Department of Sociology
Oregon State University
Corvallis, Oregon 97331

Dear Professor Cantrell:

Dr. Eisenhower has referred your request for information to me.

We are operating under strict time limitations and expect to have our report completed by the end of the year. Unfortunately, we have made no plans to provide interim reports on our progress. I doubt that we would be in a position to make public any of our work before the final report is completed.

We appreciate your interest in our work and wish you luck in your seminar.

Sincerely,

Joseph R. Sahid
Assistant to the
Deputy Director

JRS/smd

ONE CHASE MANHATTAN PLAZA
NEW YORK, N.Y. 10005

August 28, 1968

Dear Tom:

As an exercise in historical perspective, you might be interested in the attached excerpt from Sowing, the first volume of the autobiography of Leonard Woolf (Virginia's husband).

We have received no word from B-D.

Sincerely,


Robert S. Rifkind

Thomas D. Barr, Esq.,
Deputy Director,
National Commission on the
Causes and Prevention of Violence,
726 Jackson Place, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20506.

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ks and in the strange and fascinating work-
e human mind. She was a Somersetshire
orn and bred on a farm, a rigid and puri-
ptist. She read a Baptist paper every week
to end and somehow or other she had got
opy of de Quincey's *Confessions of an Eng-
n Eater*. This book entranced her; she read
nd again. I find it difficult to believe my
hen it distinctly tells me that Nurse Vicary
ve me a detailed account of what she read
tist *Times* and often read aloud de Quincey
that at the age of four or five I was quite
ty on the politics and polemics of the Bap-
d often fell asleep rocked, not in a cradle,
e voluptuous rhythm of de Quincey's in-
sentences, whose baroque ornamentations
been embellished by nurse's mispronun-
d her Somerset accent. But I had the deep-
n for her and for the opium eater, and she
st person to teach me the pleasure of fear
over public events, the horrors and iniqui-
great world of society and politics as re-
the *Baptist Times* about the year 1885. I
d myself physically enfolded in the warmth
of the great nursery on the third floor of
in Lexham Gardens, the fire blazing be-
all guard, the kettle singing away, and
h her straight black hair parted in the
l her smooth, oval peasant face, reading
Times or the visions of the opium eater.
e spider-haunted garden remains in my
e primary pattern for all the waste lands

and desolations into which I have wandered in later
life, so the nursery with its great fire, when the cur-
tains were pulled and the gas lit and nurse settled
down to her reading, and occasionally far off could be
heard the clop-clop of a horse and a hansom cab or
four-wheeler, the nursery remains for me the Pla-
tonic idea laid up in heaven of security and peace
and civilization. But though in the course of my life I
have passed through several desolations of desolation
more desolate than the garden with its grimy ivy and
its spider webs, I never again found any safety and
civilization to equal that of the gas-lit nursery.*

Outside the security of that nursery, terrible and
terrifying things happened in the Kensington and
London of fifty or sixty years ago. Hushed or whis-
pered stories of Jack the Ripper, I think, penetrated
into the nursery, and in my schoolroom days we were
all terrified by a little woman, dressed all in black,
who on foggy winter nights lurked in the Kensington
streets, stabbed unsuspecting gentlemen with a long
knife, and then disappeared into the darkness and
the fog. There is no doubt that in the eighties and
nineties of last century under the prim and pious pat-
tern of bourgeois life, just beneath the surface of so-
ciety, lay a vast reservoir of uncivilized squalor and
brutality which no longer exists. It was a class reser-
voir, and the squalor and brutality welled up, in
London at any rate, from those appalling slums in-
habited by the "lower classes." It was when these

* The nurse in the photograph of the Woolf family is not Nurse
Vicary. She was a nurse who came and looked after infants in arms;
I think her name was Mrs. Anselm.

dreadful drunken or savage creatures broke out for a moment from their lairs into the life of a small middle-class child that he first knew the paralyzing anguish of fear. I can still remember with the most sickening vividness some of the earliest occasions on which I learnt the agony and humiliation of unmitigated fear. The earliest of all is a memory of waking up in the middle of the night and hearing the shrieks of a woman pass along the Cromwell Road at the back of our house, pass along and fade away into the distance, leaving at last complete silence more terrifying even than the solitary shrieking. Next, standing on a chair at the dining-room window, watching the luggage being loaded on to the omnibus to take us all away on our holiday, and suddenly a drunken man in tatters, staggering about, trying to help with the luggage, cursing, swearing, becoming violent, and then finally the horrible sight of his vain struggle with a policeman and his being frog-marched away.

Thirdly, here is another scene. We are returning with nurse or governess down Earls Court Road having just passed the almost rural peace of Holland Walk and the sophisticated civilization of old Holland House. Suddenly out of a narrow side street, which led to one of the blackest of Kensington slums, two policemen appeared dragging a tall, raging and raving woman. They were followed by a small growling, but cringing crowd. Those who have never seen the inhabitants of a nineteenth-century London slum can have no idea of the state to which dirt, drink, and economics can reduce human beings. The men and women who surged or shuffled into the Earls Court

en or savage creatures broke out for a their lairs into the life of a small ld that he first knew the paralyzing . I can still remember with the most ess some of the earliest occasions on he agony and humiliation of unmiti- earliest of all is a memory of waking e of the night and hearing the shrieks ss along the Cromwell Road at the se, pass along and fade away into the ; at last complete silence more terrify- he solitary shrieking. Next, standing e dining-room window, watching the eaded on to the omnibus to take us r holiday, and suddenly a drunken taggering about, trying to help with ing, swearing, becoming violent, and horrible sight of his vain struggle n and his being frog-marched away. is another scene. We are returning verness down Earls Court Road hav- the almost rural peace of Holland phisticated civilization of old Hol- dently out of a narrow side street, of the blackest of Kensington slums, ppeared dragging a tall, raging and hey were followed by a small growl- crowd. Those who have never seen f a nineteenth-century London slum of the state to which dirt, drink, and duce human beings. The men and ed or shuffled into the Earls Court

Road behind the two policemen were, like the men and women whom La Bruyère saw in the fields in France, "*animaux farouches*." It is true that they had, like the seventeenth-century agricultural species, "*une voix articulée*" and, when they stood on their hind legs, human faces, so that, if nurse had read to me La Bruyère instead of de Quincey, I might have stood in the Earls Court Road of 1885, instead of in the France of 1685, and murmured "*en effet ils sont des hommes*." They were human beings, but they made me sick with terror and disgust in the pit of my small stomach, and the last scene, as the nurses hurried us away, is indelibly imprinted on my memory—the woman flung down in the middle of the road by one policeman, her battered black hat rolling away into the gutter, while the other drove back into their lairs the semi-circle of snarling "human beings." Such were the lessons in the sociology of classes which a child might learn in London streets about the time when Queen Victoria was celebrating the fiftieth year of her reign.

Looking back to that scene in a "respectable" Kensington street, I am struck by the immense change from social barbarism to social civilization which has taken place in London (indeed in Great Britain) during my lifetime. The woman, the policemen, the nurses, the small boy, the respectable passers-by averting their eyes—all these are inhabitants of a London and a society which has passed away. It can be counted, I suppose, as one of the miracles of economics and education. The slums and their unfortunate and terrifying products no longer exist. No

one but an old Londoner who has been born and bred and has lived for fifty or sixty years in London can have any idea of the extent of the change. It is amazing to walk down Drury Lane or the small streets about Seven Dials today and recall their condition only fifty years ago. Even as late as 1900 it would not have been safe to walk in any of those streets after dark. The whole locality was an appalling slum, and its inhabitants, like all those of the innumerable slums scattered over London, were the *animaux farouches* described in the previous paragraph. They and their lairs, with the poverty, dirt, drunkenness, and brutality, have disappeared; the masses, which had terrified the bourgeoisie ever since they began to march from Paris to Versailles in October, 1789, have become the working classes, and in England, at any rate, if a socialist dare say so, the working class has become almost indistinguishable, in its way of life, manners, and outlook, from the bourgeoisie. In the last forty years of my life I have got to know the life of the English countryside—in the south of England—as intimately as I know London—indeed, more intimately, for in London one knows intimately only a tiny fragment of its life—and I have seen the same process of profound social change, the emergence of a civilization out of a barbarism, take place in rural Sussex. In a later chapter I shall have something more to say of this.

I must return once more to my education. In Lexham Gardens the children were divided between the nursery and the schoolroom. I do not remember at what age one was promoted to the schoolroom but I

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August 30, 1968

William Karp, Esq., President,
American Diversified Research Corporation
900 North Michigan Avenue,
Chicago, Illinois 60611

Dear Mr. Karp:

Thank you for your letter of August 16. I regret that our schedules made it impossible for us to meet when you were in Washington.

I would be most interested in receiving copies of your analysis of the potentials of violence at the recent convention in Chicago which you prepared for NBC and your review of Dr. Montagu's book.

We are still in the process of finalizing our plans and hope to be in further touch with you.

Sincerely,

T D Barr

by JRS

Thomas D. Barr
Deputy Director

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August 16, 1968

Mr. Thomas D. Barr, Deputy Director
National Commission on the Causes
and Prevention of Violence
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Washington, D. C. 20506

Dear Mr. Barr:

I welcomed the opportunity to discuss the work of the National Commission on the Causes and Prevention of Violence when I was in Washington, D. C. on July 29.

The challenge before your Commission is indeed of the utmost significance to the country. I explored briefly with Mr. Sahid the questions of thrust and depth. These are fundamental considerations. It is evident to all of us who have been scientifically concerned with the problems of concern to the Commission that a more innovative approach is required. In fact, new lines of inquiry must be undertaken if we are to definitively track down cause-effect relations.

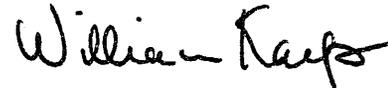
NBC has asked me to prepare an analysis of the factors which underlie the potentials of mass violence at the Democratic National Convention in Chicago.

The Chicago Sun-Times Book Editor has asked me to review a book by Dr. Ashley Montagu which deals with the question whether or not aggression in man is innate or acquired from experience in society. Dr. Montagu draws together scientific evidence from many sources to demonstrate that hostility and aggressive acts are derived from "culture" rather than from innate tendencies or instincts in man.

I mention both of these because of widespread concern of many people in the phenomena of mass violence.

Again, if we can be of assistance in your work, please let me know.

Yours sincerely,



William Karp
President

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cc - Mr. Joseph R. Sahid
Assistant to the
Deputy Director

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August 30, 1968

Professor John K. McNulty
University of California, Berkeley
School of Law (Boalt Hall)
Berkeley, California 94720

Dear Jack:

I have your letter of the 12th. I am sorry that things didn't work out so that you could join the Commission staff. I would have been delighted to have the opportunity to work with you.

I expect to be in Berkeley toward the end of October to interview some of the law students and also probably to spend a day or so with Jerry and Mike. I hope that we can get together then.

Sincerely,

Thomas D. Barr
Deputy Director

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August 12, 1968

Thomas Barr
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and Prevention of Violence
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Dear Tom:

Thanks again for your invitation to serve as Co-Director, with Jerome Skolnick, of the Task Force on violent and non-violent aspects of mass protest and illegal mass action. As you know from our conversations, I was attracted by this opportunity to work on your team and on such an important, modern problem. My decision to decline was regretfully reached.

That decision seemed compelled after my telephone conversation with Jerry Skolnick and my assessment of your time schedule, my own personal commitments, and the role you wanted me to play. It seemed to me that I would either be just a "yes man" and an assistant to Jerry (which would be unsatisfactory to you as well as to me) or I would be struggling with him at every step of the way. Without sufficient time to prepare myself to accept the responsibility, and given the program, commitments and expertise that Jerry has accumulated, his co-director would be in an impossible position.

I explained this reasoning to Lloyd Cutler on the telephone and to Jerry and Mike Heyman. I urged Lloyd not to take my unwillingness to accept the responsibility with Jerry as any indication that you should not continue with Jerry. From all I can gather, his views and knowledge about the specific problems that his Task Force will report on should be vigorously presented to the Commission and the public.

Thomas Barr
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Again, thanks for your invitation, Tom. I hope some other opportunity to work with you will turn up. If and when you come to Berkeley, please call me. I would like to see you again.

Sincerely,

Jack
John K. McNulty

JKM:pb

P.S. I'm delighted to learn that Mike Heyman has accepted the role of General Counsel to Jerry's group. Good luck!

JKM

August 29, 1968

Commissioner Howard Leary
Commissioner of Police
New York, N. Y.

Dear Commissioner Leary:

This will serve to introduce Col. Asa Bates, U. S. Air Force, who is a member of the Firearms task force of the Violence Commission. Dr. Marvin Wolfgang, Co-Director of Research for the Commission had intended to telephone you just prior to his departure for England this morning to advise you of Col. Bates' mission and to solicit your cooperation in the accumulation of certain data critical to the Commission's deliberations on firearms and firearms control.

The purpose of obtaining this information is to reinforce the data regularly acquired by the FBI, state agencies, and previous surveys on the subject. With your cooperation and that of other municipal police departments we believe that it will be possible to arrive at specific recommendations to the President relating to firearms and firearms control in the U.S.

Col. Bates is prepared to discuss with you and appropriate members of your staff the background and purpose of our survey, to respond to questions about data input and to assist in clarifying any problem areas.

I wish to express the appreciation of all members of the Commission for your unqualified support of this vital project.

Sincerely,

Thomas D. Barr
Deputy Director

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August 29, 1968

Professor Norvel Morris
University of Chicago Law School
1111 East 60th Street
Chicago, Illinois 60637

Dear Norvel:

As you know, the Commission has sought to obtain the best talent in the country to perform the tasks required by the President. Mr. Anthony Platt, of the Center for Studies of Criminal Justice at the University of Chicago, is one of those people in whom we have a great interest. We have asked Mr. Platt to serve as Associate Director of our Task Force on Demonstration, Protest and Group Violence.

Realizing that Mr. Platt is presently committed to the Center for Studies of Criminal Justice, we respectfully request that he be released from his duties through December of this year so that he can participate in the work of this Commission.

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We hope that this arrangement will cause no inconvenience and that Mr. Platt's activities will enhance his work at the University of Chicago.

Your assistance in this matter will be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

Thomas D. Barr
Deputy Director

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cc: Mr. Anthony Platt

Prof. Hans Mattick
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University of California

August 29, 1968

Mr. Cartha D. DeLoach,
Assistant to the Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U.S. Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C. 20535

Dear Mr. DeLoach:

This is a copy of the outline Mr. Barr
promised to send. I hope it will be of some use.

Thank you for your continued cooperation.

Sincerely,

Joseph R. Sahid
Assistant to the
Deputy Director

JRS/smd

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Mr. Barr:

A brief note to say I enjoyed working here, and am sorry I couldn't do more.

I didn't get anything done on the press memorandum because I wrote something for Saunders which I was better equipped to do.

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P.S. Good luck to you all.

TO: MR BARR
FROM: STANG
SUBJ: POMPOSITIVY

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SPECIAL AUDIT REVIEW OF THE NUCLEAR POWERED DEEP SUBMERGENCE
RESEARCH AND ENGINEERING VEHICLE, NR-1 PROJECT, AUDIT NO. SC0388

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3. A cursory review of the subject report leads me to conclude that its authors, likewise, lack comprehension in the manner of accomplishing Research and Development. Therefore, I believe no useful purpose would be served by detailed comments on my part.

H. G. RICOVER

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SPECIAL AUDIT REVIEW OF THE NUCLEAR POWERED DEEP SUBMERGENCE
RESEARCH AND ENGINEERING VEHICLE, NR-1 PROJECT, AUDIT NO.
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Mr. Lloyd N. Cutler
Executive Director
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Dear Lloyd:

Heyman, Ursin and I lengthened our Task Force name yesterday in a staff meeting. The addition is obvious considering the tasks we've set for ourselves. We're now "Demonstration, Protest, and Group Violence."

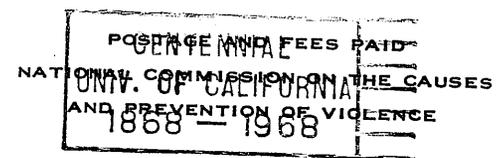
Sincerely,

Jerome H. Skolnick, Director
Task Force
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August 24, 1968

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Mr. John C. Airhart
Deputy Assistant Secretary
Department of Defense
3 E 822
Pentagon

Dear John:

My letter concerns Dr. Marvin Wolfgang, who is our Co-Director of Research and will be physically located in Cambridge, England. You and I discussed this issue the last time we corresponded.

In order to insure Dr. Wolfgang's full participation in the activities of the Commission under the circumstances, would you permit the Commission - specifically Dr. Eisenhower and Mr. Cutler - to have an extension into the Defense Communications System (DCS) and for Dr. Wolfgang to have an extension into the DCS from his home in Cambridge, England. This capability would materially enhance our final report to the President.

I can assure you that in most cases the only time this capability would be used, if you approve it, would be after 1500 hours Washington time/2100 hours British time, to insure that there would be very little if any requirement from the Commission on the DCS system during the critical hours when the system is in continuous use for national security affairs.

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Attached to this letter is the address of Doctor
Eisenhower's Washington Office and Dr. Wolfgang's address
in Cambridge, as well as the appropriation number of the
Commission. We will be very happy to pay for this service.

Once again, thanks.

Sincerely,

WILLIAM G. MCDONALD
Administrative Officer

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Encl.

August 24, 1968

~~Jim Brown~~

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Mr. John C. Airhart
Deputy Assistant Secretary
Department of Defense
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Pentagon

Dear John:

Thank you for your letter of August 21 regarding travel of Commission officials via military transportation. We would be more than happy to reimburse the Military Airlift Command for their assistance to us. Your consideration of our request on this basis would be appreciated. Our appropriation number is 924.9-9.44410.

As I mentioned in my letter of August 14, we anticipate that Dr. Marvin Wolfgang or Mr. Thomas Barr will need such transportation no more than three times this year. When we are able to determine the exact dates of these trips, I will be in touch with you in the hope that space on a special flight will be available.

Dr. Eisenhower joins me in expressing the Commission's sincere appreciation for all your assistance.

Sincerely,

WILLIAM G. MCDONALD
Administrative Officer

WGM/aep

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August 16, 1968

Mr. Harry J. Older
President
Software Systems, Inc.
5810 Seminary Road
Falls Church, Va. 22041

Dear Mr. Older:

Our people have taken a fairly thorough look at the Resume of Corporate Capabilities, Experience and Personnel which you transmitted to us on July 15, and we have concluded that we do not have a need for your services.

Our requirements for the collection and analysis of new data are quite limited, both because of the nature of the work we are doing and because of the short period of time we have to do it in. To the extent that we will be collecting and analyzing new data (as in the gun area), we will be relying on our own staff, either in house or on detail from another agency without cost to us.

We appreciate having had the opportunity to review the capabilities of your organization.

Very truly yours,

Thomas D. Barr
Deputy Director

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Mr. Quinn Tamm
Executive Director
International Association
of Police Chiefs
1319 18th Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Tamm:

This Commission was created by Executive Order of the President on June 10, 1968 following the assassination of Senator Robert Kennedy. The Joint Resolution of Congress authorizing the Commission to proceed with its assigned tasks is attached.

In our efforts to accomplish the mission assigned us we have divided our work into the following segments:

1. Assassination
2. Crimes of Violence against the Individual
3. Mass Protest, Riots and Civil Disturbances
4. Mass Media and Violence
5. Firearms and Violence
6. Law Enforcement and Violence
7. Violence and American History and Character

The group working on Firearms and Violence, under the direction of George D. Newton, Jr., a partner in the Chicago law firm of Kirkland, Ellis, Hodson, Chaffetz and Masters, and Frank E. Zimring, Professor of Law at the University Law School and who has been associated with the Chicago Center for Studies in Criminal Justice for several years, have consulted extensively with myself, my Deputy, Thomas D. Barr, a partner in the New York law firm of Cravath, Swaine and Moore, and the Commission's Co-directors or Research, Dr. Marvin E. Wolfgang, Professor of Sociology,

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and Co-director of the Center for Criminological Research at the University of Pennsylvania, and Dr. James Short, Dean of the Graduate School at the University of Washington.

Our consensus is that any study of the efficacy of gun controls must investigate whether lessening the availability of guns has led to any demonstrable lessening of crime. We will obtain, from the data used by the FBI in compiling the Uniform Crime Reports, information on crime rates by weapon in the 15 largest cities in the United States and in 10 other cities to be selected - 5 with no effective gun control system and 5 with a moderately effective gun control system. The FBI data, as you know, however, does not provide information by type of firearm (rifle or pistol) by race and sex of offenders. In order to fill this void, we believe it imperative to obtain such information from offense reports of various metropolitan police forces, as set forth in the description of our Field Survey Data attached hereto.

In order to obtain maximum co-operation and assistance from the police departments we will visit so that our tasks can be completed and a report submitted to the Commission in November of this year, we urgently need your organization's help and advice on how best to proceed with our program and on how to most effectively contact the various police departments selected. In light of the tight time schedule on which we are operating, we would appreciate discussing the matter with you at your earliest convenience.

Very sincerely,

Lloyd N. Cutler
Executive Director

LNC:gnd

August 14, 1968

Mr. John C. Airhart
Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense
3 E 822
Pentagon

Dear John:

Once again, I am calling on your good offices for assistance to the Commission.

As you so well know we have been in operation since 10 June with an organization composed of six task forces and a Director of Research. The Director of Research is Dr. Marvin E. Wolfgang, Professor of Sociology at the University of Pennsylvania and a renowned authority on the causes and prevention of violence. His schedule and commitments prior to the time he came aboard were such that they could not be changed. However, Dr. Eisenhower and Mr. Cutler urgently need his services as a full participant in the affairs of the Commission.

More specifically, Dr. Wolfgang, who has been on board since the beginning, also has a commitment to teach at Cambridge University in England this fall semester and will depart for England approximately August 26.

In order to insure that his knowledge and viewpoints and analysis are brought to bear on the final report it will be necessary for Dr. Wolfgang to spend approximately one week of each month on Commission affairs while he is in England. This he is most happy to do and Dr. Eisenhower

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and Mr. Cutler are very satisfied with this arrangement.

This brings me to the purpose of my note. It may be necessary that Dr. Wolfgang fly from England to the United States on maybe two or no more than three occasions to discuss the material that has been forwarded to him for his evaluation. In addition, in the event that he could not come from England to the United States, it may be necessary for Thomas D. Barr, our Deputy Director, to take the material to England to discuss with Dr. Wolfgang. In order to stay within the severe budget constraints, it would be most appreciative if it would be possible for Dr. Wolfgang and Mr. Thomas D. Barr to be granted permission to fly from or to England on Defense Department aircraft so that we can keep the cost of our operation to an absolute minimum.

Needless to say, we appreciate your assistance on this problem and also we are most appreciative for all the kind help you have given us since 10 June.

Sincerely,

WILLIAM G. McDONALD
Administrative Officer

WGM/aep

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IMMEDIATE RELEASE

August 13, 1968

The National Commission on the Causes and Prevention of Violence will start hearings on September 11 and will continue through the following six weeks.

An executive session of the Commission originally scheduled for August 14 has been postponed until early September, to permit the staff to concentrate on the organization of its task forces.

Under supervision of the staff co-directors of research, Dr. Marvin E. Wolfgang and Dr. James F. Short, Jr., the staffing of the Commission's seven task forces has now been substantially completed. The task forces are operating in these general areas: political assassination, violent aspects of mass protest, violent private crimes, law and law enforcement, gun controls, violence in the mass media and violence in American history and character.

Starting September 11 two or three days of each week will be devoted to taking testimony until October 18th. A tentative list of witnesses to be invited to testify is presently being prepared for the Commission's consideration.

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August 12, 1968

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Dear Lloyd:

At the first meeting of the Commission, we mentioned the possibility of having one or two legislative liaison representatives. We do not have them, and our budget will not permit us to hire them. I don't mind. My feeling is based on two considerations: (a) Such general briefing of relevant Congressional Committees as ultimately may seem desirable will have to be done by you and several Commission members, including me; (b) what few substantive recommendations with legislative import we make should be submitted by the President to the Congress, not by us directly to the Congress.

To the extent that our recommendations call for legislation (gun control, possible amendments to the FCC act, possible new laws or constitutional amendments in the field of legal structure and procedures), the President will obviously ask the appropriate cabinet members or their assistants to give him their views on such matters. Hence, we can do the President a favor and promote our own cause by briefing the right Federal officials.

The reason I am asking about this now is to suggest the possibility of our establishing, with the help of the White House, a Federal Liaison Committee, made up, possibly, of a relatively few high-ranking persons from Justice, Treasury, FCC, and other interested agencies, with whom we would meet on infrequent occasions to let them know what we are doing and to obtain suggestions. This would be worth-while if the persons on the Liaison Committee were either those whom the President subsequently would consult or persons close to such presidential consultants. When for eight years I made studies for the President in Latin America and submitted two formal reports and many informal ones, I invariably had the full concurrence of officials in State, Defense, Agriculture, U.S.A.I., Ex Em Bank, Treasury, Commerce, and

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others before my suggestions went to the President. Consequently, when my recommendations came before the Cabinet, or were taken up directly by the President with any advisor, we had no difficulty whatsoever.

There is no hurry about this. We can discuss it when I next see you.

Sincerely,



Lloyd N. Cutler, Esquire
Executive Director
National Commission on the Causes
and Prevention of Violence
726 Jackson Place, NW
Washington, D. C. 20506

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August 13, 1968

Director of Management
Information Division
Internal Revenue Service
1111 Constitution Ave., N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to arrangements made with Harry Korb of your office, would you please furnish the Commission with statistics showing excise tax collections on guns and ammunition.

We understand from Mr. Korb that your office will be able to furnish such figures broken down by state or district from 1920 through 1953 and from 1965 through 1967. For the period 1953 through 1955 we understand such figures can be furnished on a national basis.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,

Thomas D. Barr
Deputy Director

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INSTITUTE OF CRIMINOLOGY

Director
L. RADZINOWICZ, LL.D.
Wolfson Professor of Criminology



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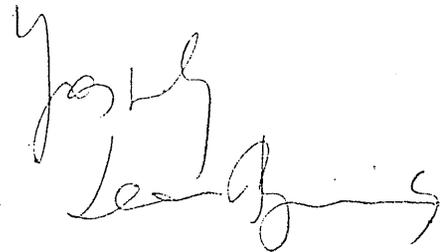
Dear David Eisenhauw.

Thank you for your telegram of August 10th and for your letter of August 8th. I am sorry that you should have been put to this inconvenience, and naturally I very much appreciate your great courtesy. You could have been spared this trouble if Professor Wolfgang had been - if I may put it in this way - a little less clumsy. Cambridge, as he knows well, is a residential University, and the only thing he discussed with me ten months ago is the likelihood of his paying two visits to the United States during the whole academic year while he is with us. If he had approached me at the earliest possible moment in relation to this new development, I should have tried to be as helpful as I could, and I would have been given a better chance to discuss the matter with the University authorities. The first I heard about it was from a letter of August 6th addressed to Dr Hood of this Institute, which reached him on Saturday 10th August. He communicated this to me and I at once got in touch with Professor Wolfgang, expressing to him my uneasiness. Frankly, I do not think that this arrangement would prove to be satisfactory either to the Commission or to us. His idea of making visits of four or five days each month sounds well on paper, but in practice it might prove to be unrealistic. The task which you have undertaken is a complex and difficult one and, as I gather, there is a stiff time limit. It seems to me that the attention of a Director, even if there is another able Director such as Professor Short, should be concentrated on the task in hand. This suggestion also would not have been fair to us. We attach great importance to our Visiting Fellows and we want to have them with us when they come here.

The Chairman and the Secretary of the Committee of Management of the Institute have agreed with me, and I have put two proposals before Professor Wolfgang: 1) to postpone his Visiting Fellowship to Cambridge altogether and let him come next year, or 2) not to take up the Visiting Fellowship with us for the first term from October to December, but to take it up for the remainder of the academic year. This would obviously not prevent him from coming to Cambridge, which he may wish to do in view of the arrangements he has made for his family, but would leave him entirely free to give all his time to you. This I proposed to him in my telegram of August 10th - which I sent to him before I received your letter and telegram. Since then, Professor Wolfgang has rung me up, and he acknowledged that the second suggestion is by far the better solution. I sincerely hope that this will meet with your approval, and I should be pleased if you would show a copy of this letter to Professor Wolfgang.

You said in your telegram that the Commission may wish to have the benefit of my experience and advice while I am in the United States during the Fall term. Although I doubt very much whether, in view of all the talent which you have marshalled, I really can be of any help to you, I shall certainly see what I can do. I should be very pleased to call on you and on Mr Lloyd Cutler. I am leaving for the United States at the end of August and shall be in Columbia for part of September, and then in Virginia until the beginning of January.

Some seven years ago I had the honour of being invited to deliver the John Hinkley Lectures in English History at the Johns Hopkins University, and I remember with pleasure the way in which you welcomed me when I called on you.



Dr Milton S. Eisenhower.
Chairman.
National Commission on the Causes and Prevention of Violence.
726 Jackson Pl., N.W.
Washington D.C. 20506.

August 2, 1968

PRESS RELEASE

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The Commission also plans to make similar requests for information from other firms engaged at various levels in the importing or distribution of firearms and ammunition.

NATIONAL COMMISSION ON THE CAUSES AND PREVENTION OF VIOLENCE

PRESS RELEASE

July 30, 1968

Dr. Milton S. Eisenhower announced today the appointment of two Co-Directors of Research for the National Commission on the Causes and Prevention of Violence. They are Dr. James F. Short, Jr., Dean of the Graduate School and Professor of Sociology at Washington State University in Pullman, Washington and Dr. Marvin E. Wolfgang, Chairman of the Department of Sociology at the University of Pennsylvania and Criminology Director of the Center for Studies of Criminology and Criminal Law in Philadelphia.

Both Dr. Short and Dr. Wolfgang are authors of important books in areas of particular interest to the Commission. Dr. Short's books, of which he is co-author, are "Suicide and Homicide" and "Group Process and Gang Delinquency." Dr. Wolfgang is the author of "Patterns in Criminal Homicide" and the co-author of "Measurement of Delinquency" and "The Subculture of Violence."

Dr. Eisenhower said that the Commission felt particularly fortunate to have the services of these two outstanding scholars.

To: James Kirkham, Group 1
Jerome Skolnick, Group 2
Donald Mulvihill, Group 3
George Saunders, Group 4
George Newton, Group 5
Robert Baker, Group 6

MEMO TO TASK FORCE LEADERS

Since June 10, the day of the formation of the Commission, we have received offers of assistance as well as suggestions for studies to be made from various organizations. The number of organizations interested is approximately fifty, and they range from the American Psychiatric Association to the Stanford Research Institute.

We have held these together for Dr. Wolfgang and Dr. Short's review. However, to assure that we get this information integrated into the total work effort without too much delay, we have taken the following steps:

The material has been divided into the six categories relating to the task groups and one general category which cuts across the board of all areas.

Tab "A" of this memorandum is a summary by task forces of the material as well as a short comment as to what is included in that particular proposal.

Tab "B" includes those organizations which have

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submitted comments pertaining to your particular group. It is requested that you review them as well as the general grouping which is enclosed with Group I's material.

In all cases, these letters have been acknowledged and any additional contact with the agency should be made in coordination with Dr. Wolfgang or Dr. Short. In order that the material sent to you herewith will be available for Drs. Wolfgang and Short, it is requested that if you wish to retain any portion thereof, that a xerox be made for your personal use. The material in the general category should be forwarded to the next Task Force Leader as soon as it has served your purpose.

cc: Dr. Short
Dr. Wolfgang

August 6, 1968

Hon Richard B. Austin
U. S. District Judge
Northern District of Illinois
219 Dearborn
Chicago, Illinois 60604

Dear Judge Austin:

If it is available, we would appreciate receiving
a copy of the report which your committee made to Mayor Daley
yesterday regarding the April 5 rioting in Chicago.

Respectfully,

Thomas D. Barr
Deputy Director

Books of The Times

Calvino's Cosmogony

By CHARLES SIMMONS

COSMICOMICS. By Italo Calvino. 153 pages. A Helen and Kurt Wolff Book: Harcourt, Brace & World. \$3.95.

WHEN I was 4, I thought the stars were imperfections of the sky, like the tiny holes in the black shade that kept the morning sun out of my bedroom. When I was 6 and went to grammar school, I learned that the stars were made by God on the fourth day. In high school, the Jesuit fathers explained that Genesis was a metaphor. At Columbia College, no one was sure of anything.

Italo Calvino, the Italian fabulist, has not allowed one level of sophistication to displace another. He maintains his 4/ 6/ 13/ year-old selves inside his 45-year-old head. For instance, he takes as his text for one of these tales about the Creation the following: "The the calculations begun by Edwin P. Hubble on the galaxies' velocity of recession, we can establish the moment when all the universe's matter was concentrated in a single point, before it began to expand in space."

Then the story: "Naturally we were all there, where else could we have been? Nobody knew then that there could be space. Or time either: what use did we have for time, packed in there like sardines?"

Packed in there were Mrs. Ph(i)Nko, her friend Mr. De XuaeauX, an immigrant family by the name of Z'zu, Mr. Pbert Pberd (an unpleasant man, always underfoot), and a cleaning lady (the only one in the universe, since there was so little to do) who spent all her time gossiping. Besides the people, there was an enormous amount of stuff: the nebula of Andromedac, the Vosges River, beryllium isotopes, the Z'zu family's household goods (camp beds, mattresses, baskets), etc.

The Generous Mrs. Ph(i)Nko

All things considered, people got along pretty well, and probably would have gone on as usual if it hadn't been for Mrs. Ph(i)Nko. Everybody adored Mrs. Ph(i)Nko. One day, she went to bed with Mr. XuaeauX, in a point it wasn't so much a question of going to bed as of being there. And at a point, everyone was in the bed. Mrs. Ph(i)Nko was a great, generous soul, and she said, "Oh, if I only had some more n



Italo Calvino

versatile character who suffers the ups and downs of evolution sometimes with grace and charm and sometimes quite petulantly. In "The Spiral" he is a mollusk clinging to a rock, experiencing the universe in the slap of waves that bring him edible and inedible substances. Of the inedible substances some tickled, some burned, some itched. "It was a constant seesaw of amusement and emotion."

One day he became aware—from vibrations in the waves, "a kind of brrrum, brrrum, brrrum"—that other mollusks existed. Soon he could tell the difference between brrrums, particularly male and female brrrums. And before long he fell in love with one special female, whose brrrum filled him with pleasure. For love of her he secreted calcareous matter, which formed into the first sea shell. Ironically his beloved never saw its beauty, only other species that under different pressures had evolved eyes.

Qwfwq as Neurotic Astronomer

In the best story of the collection Qwfwq turns up as a neurotic astronomer with a long lease on life. "One night I was, as usual, observing the sky with my telescope. I noticed that a sign was hanging from a galaxy a hundred million light-years away. On it was written I SAW YOU. . . . I was seized by a ghastly presentiment: exactly two hundred million years before, not a day more n . . . less, something had hap-

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RIOT STUDY URGES POLICE RESTRAINT

Chicago Report Puts Stress on Need for Manpower

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ANGELES, Aug. 4 (UPI)
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ously Sunday to send a
termination notice to
General Corporation,
Calif., a step toward
le strike.

CHICAGO, Aug. 5 — The
police and National Guard
should rely on overwhelming
manpower and only rarely on
firepower in riots, a committee
recommended to Mayor Rich-
ard J. Daley today.

The 11-member committee,
headed by Judge Richard B.
Austin of Federal district
court, reported that it could
find no evidence of an or-
ganized conspiracy in the riot-
ing that began here April 5
after the assassination of The
Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King
Jr.

Thus, the committee ap-
pointed by Mr. Daley indirect-
ly took issue with him.

Mr. Daley had stirred na-
tional controversy April 15,
when he set up the committee,
by announcing that he had
ordered the police to "shoot to
kill" arsonists and "shoot to
maim or cripple looters." Short-
ly afterward he tempered his
position by saying that mini-
mum force should be applied
where possible.

Daley Sees Conspiracy

Mr. Daley also had
contended that an organized
conspiracy and outside agita-
tors were at least partly re-
sponsible for the rioting.

The committee urged the
creation of a permanent city
commission, with a Negro as a

with some ghetto residents as
members, to continue to in-
vestigate the problems and
needs of the poor.

The committee generally
praised the performances of
the policemen and firemen in
the disorders and also the
news media.

School officials were criti-
cized for conducting classes in
Negro schools April 5 because
of the tensions that followed
the assassination of Dr. King.
The committee said the schools
provided "a natural rallying
point for thousands of tense
and emotionally charged young-
sters."

The Fire Department was
criticized for failing to mobi-
lize its full manpower until fires
began breaking out in view of
the possibility of rioting after
Dr. King's death.

The Police Department lead-
ership was criticized for having
too many men in the central
business district and only a few
in the Negro areas, particularly
the West Side, where the ma-
jor rioting occurred.

'Symbolic Arrests'

The committee urged that, in
the future, "symbolic arrests"
of the leaders in rioting be
made promptly, and that mass
arrests be avoided.

The Illinois National Guard
was criticized because it re-
quired eight to nine hours to
mobilize last April. The "re-
sponse time" should be cut in
half, the committee wrote.

The committee contended
that it was "reasonable to as-
sume" that Chicago will be
spared further large-scale civil
disorder this year "if reasona-
ble restraint and good judg-
ment are exercised on all

sides," but it found the long-
term outlook "by no means re-
assuring."

Insurance losses during the
rioting exceeded \$14-million,
the committee reported, while
actual damages will be much
larger.

A minority report was filed
by one committee member,
Charles Siragusa, executive di-
rector of the Illinois State
Crime Investigating Commis-
sion. He said the committee had
put too much emphasis on the
causes of the rioting without
"a corresponding concern for
the burning and looting."

Christians in New Zealand Start a Social Service Unit

WELLINGTON, New Zea-
land (Religious News Service)—
Six major New Zealand reli-
gious bodies have formed a
National Council of Christian
Social Services.

The council comprises the
Church of England in New Zea-
land (Anglican), the Roman
Catholic Church, the Metho-
dist, Baptist and Presbyterian
Churches, and the Salvation
Army.

According to the Rev. A. D.
Robertson, a Presbyterian offi-
cial who presided at the inau-
gural meeting, the council's
objectives are:

To help the churches achieve
the highest standards in social
services; to encourage the max-
imum cooperation among the
churches in social work; to rep-
resent the churches in discus-
sions with the New Zealand
Government and other official
bodies; and to develop an in-
formed public opinion on mat-
ters relating to the Christian
approach to social services.



Professor Leon Radzinowicz
Institute of Criminology
Cambridge University
7 West Road
Cambridge, ENGLAND

Dear Professor Radzinowicz:

I am sure that you have heard of the National Commission on the Causes and Prevention of Violence which President Johnson created shortly after the assassination of Senator Kennedy.

The Commission has sought to obtain the best talent in the country to perform the tasks required by the President. From the beginning, we knew that we wanted to have Professor Marvin E. Wolfgang, Chairman of the Department of Sociology and Director of the Center for Studies in Criminology and Criminal Law at the University of Pennsylvania, as our Executive Director of Research because of his outstanding and internationally recognized work in the field. We enlisted his services to bring together approximately fifty scholars for a two-day conference which he chaired, and we had hoped to persuade him to remain as Director of the staff in Washington. However, he is firmly committed to his work in your Institute in Cambridge, and we respect his honoring that commitment.

Under a special arrangement by which he has obtained a Co-Director, Professor Wolfgang has agreed to guide the research work of the Commission until he leaves for England and is prepared to continue in the Director's role after arriving in your Institute. It would be necessary for him

to return to Washington four or five days each month from September through December. It is our hope to complete a substantial report before President Johnson leaves office.

I am writing, therefore, to request your cooperation by recognizing that Professor Wolfgang's role in the Commission and his absence from Cambridge for a few days each month until December is in the national interest. We hope that this arrangement will cause no inconvenience and that Professor Wolfgang's activities will enhance his work in Cambridge. Because of your leading work in similar Commissions in England, I know that you understand the importance of this request.

Best wishes.

Sincerely yours,

Milton Eisenhower
Chairman

August 2, 1968

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July 24, 1968

Mr. Arthur Newcomb
2419 Iverson Street, S.E.
Washington 31, D. C.

Dear Mr. Newcomb:

I am in receipt of your letter of July 18. Colonel McDonald, our Administrative Officer, and Mr. Sahid, Special Assistant to the Deputy Director, have been kind enough to present to me your plan to solve the current problems of mass protests.

Although you have obviously spent a good deal of time investigating the problem, you must realize that differences of opinion exist. In the final analysis, a decision must be made.

After careful consideration and deliberation, I find that I am unable to adopt your suggestions and conclusions. Nevertheless, I am grateful that you have shown such an interest in the responsibilities of this Commission.

Thank you for taking the time to make your views known to us.

Sincerely,

Thomas D. Barr
Deputy Director

July 24, 1968

Judge A. Leon Higginbotham
U. S. District Judge for the
Eastern District of Pennsylvania
U. S. Court House
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19107

Dear Judge Higginbotham:

I am having lunch with Dr. Westerfield on Friday and have already had a cordial chat with him over the telephone concerning his letter of July 12.

Also, in this connection, Tom Barr will be getting out a report to the Commissioners within the next few days on our staffing progress. You will see from that report that we have been much more successful in getting Negro representation on our staff (particularly in the critical area of Mass Protest) than we were in getting Negro participants for the Academic Conference for July 9.

As you know, we were quite disappointed that Franklin, Clark, Poussaint and Edwards declined invitations to attend the Academic Conference and that we were unable to reach Conyers or one or two others of whom we were aware at that point. Partly, of course, the problem was one of our own ignorance: for example, we did not then know of Charles Hamilton at Roosevelt, who undoubtedly will be very helpful to us in the future.

Kindest personal regards.

Sincerely,

James S. Campbell
General Counsel

JSC/smd

July 23, 1968

Prof Jameson W. Doig
Woodrow Wilson School
of Public and International
Affairs
Princeton University
Princeton, New Jersey 08540

Dear Professor Doig:

Thank you very much for your article on Police Problems, Proposals and Strategies for Change. I have read through it very quickly and it will be very useful to us. You may be interested to know that Jerome Skolnick has agreed to head our group on Mass Demonstrations.

We will contact Miss Byers for copies of the other three articles.

I am sure that we will be in touch with you as we go along and I would particularly appreciate any additional material which you think ought to be called to our attention.

Sincerely,

Thomas D. Barr
Deputy Director

July 23, 1968

Prof Judith Shklar
33 Clinton Road
Brookline, Massachusetts 02146

Dear Professor Shklar:

George Saunders has described his conversation with you to me. I am hopeful that we can work out an arrangement which is mutually satisfactory. Enclosed are copies of two outlines dated July 1, 1968, which are very tentative guides for the work of the Commission. I also enclose a draft of outline for the Law and Law Enforcement group prepared by George Saunders and some thoughts I have on the first part of that outline.

We believe that the task of the Commission is inordinately difficult. We are assembling, I believe, a staff of unusual ability, to attempt an adequate response to the problems before us. I hope that you will be able to join us.

Sincerely,

Thomas D. Barr
Deputy Director

Enclosures

✓ Copy to George Saunders

July 23, 1968

Prof Martin E. Travis
Chairman of the Department
of Political Science,
State University at Stony Brook,
Stoney Brook, New York

Dear Professor Travis:

As I indicated to you on the telephone yesterday, the Commission would very much like to have Professor John Gardiner join its staff. Professor Gardiner has been recommended to us by Professor James Q. Wilson of Harvard as a man capable of providing the necessary leadership as a Co-Director for our task force group dealing with the problems of law and law enforcement. I have spoken to Professor Gardiner, who warns me that he is committed to the State University for the coming year.

I should appreciate hearing from you as to whether he could be made available for a full-time staff position with the Commission.

Sincerely yours,

Thomas D. Barr
Deputy Director

Copy to Prof John Gardiner
University of Wisconsin
Madison, Wisconsin

July 18, 1968

Senator Gale McGee
United States Senate
Committee on Appropriations
Washington, D. C. 20510

Dear Senator McGee:

Thank you for your letter of July 11, 1968,
relating to Mr. Timothy L. Hill of Riverton, Wyoming. We
are still in the process of forming our staff and will
give Mr. Hill's application very serious consideration.

Thank you for calling him to our attention.

Sincerely,

Thomas D. Barr
Deputy Director

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. BARR

J. R. Sahid

July 23, 1968

These are the GNP and Budget figures you requested.
The actual figures for 1968 will be available next week and
are being sent to me as soon as they are released.

July 18, 1968

Richard E. Rubenstein
Assistant Director
The Adlai Stevenson Institute
of International Affairs
5757 South Woodlawn Avenue
Chicago, Illinois 60637

Dear Rich:

Lloyd, George and I are all very sorry that you will not be able to join our staff. We had really looked forward very much to having you with us.

I do hope that you will send us anything that occurs to you that we ought to have and I do expect that we will be coming back to you for help as we go along.

Personally, I enjoyed very much the opportunity to chat with you and I hope we will see more of you soon.

Sincerely,

Thomas D. Barr
Deputy Director

July 11, 1968

Kenneth R. M. Thompson, Esq.,
Messrs. Chapman and Cutler,
111 West Monroe Street,
Chicago, Illinois 60603

Dear Mr. Thompson:

Mr. Albert E. Jenner has referred to me your letter of June 7, 1968. We very much appreciate your offer to be of service to the Commission and the thoughtful comments contained in your letter.

As the Commission goes through its work, we will keep your offer in mind and if there is any way in which we can avail ourselves of your services, we will do so.

Thank you for your good wishes.

Sincerely,

Thomas D. Barr
Deputy Director

[Copy to: Albert E. Jenner, Jr., Esq.,
Messrs. Raymond, Mayer, Jenner & Block,
135 South LaSalle Street,
Chicago, Illinois]

Mr Campbell

July 16, 1968

Jim:

On board we have Janowitz (University of Chicago, Department of Sociology, James Q. Wilson (Harvard) and Brim at Russell Sage in New York (Mu 9-6622).

We have invited Stanton Wheeler, who is thinking about it and LNC says he thinks he will do it. He can be reached presently through Dean Robert Yegge of the University of Denver Law School - normally with Russell Sage.

We are thinking of inviting but have not yet invited the following:

Kenneth Clark - City College of New York
John Speigel - Lemberg ~~Skny~~ Center - Brandeis, Waltham, Mass.
Richard Wade - University of Chicago
Ithiel Pool - M.I.T.

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June 28, 1968

Honorable Gale McGee
United States Senate
Washington, D.C.

Dear Senator McGee:

I have your letter to Mr. Mike Manatos at the White House regarding the National Commission on the Causes and Prevention of Violence. Would you please send any suggestions or recommendations to Lloyd N. Cutler or to me.

Sincerely,

Thomas D. Barr

THE WHITE HOUSE OFFICE

REFERRAL

To: Mr. Lloyd N. Cutler
Wilmer, Cutler and Pickering
900 - 17th Street, N.W.
Washington, D. C.

Date: June 26, 1968

ACTION REQUESTED

- Draft reply for:
 President's signature.
 Undersigned's signature.
- Memorandum for use as enclosure to reply.
- Direct reply.
 Furnish information copy.
- Suitable acknowledgment or other appropriate handling.
- Furnish copy of reply, if any.
- For your information.
- For comment.

NOTE

Prompt action is essential.
If more than 48 hours' delay is encountered, please telephone the undersigned immediately, Code 1450.

Basic correspondence should be returned when draft reply, memorandum, or comment is requested.

REMARKS:

Description:

Letter: Telegram: Other:

To: Mike Manatos
From: Senator Gale McGee
Date: June 25, 1968
Subject: Req info re staffing of the Commission to study violence.

By direction of the President:

Mike Manatos
Mike Manatos
Administrative Assistant
to the President

(Copy to remain with correspondence)

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THOMAS J. SCOTT, CHIEF CLERK
WM. W. WOODRUFF, ASST. CHIEF CLERK

United States Senate

COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

June 25, 1968

Mr. Mike Manatos
Administrative Assistant
to the President
The White House
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mike

Could you furnish me with the name of whoever will be responsible for the staffing of the President's commission to study violence in America.

I have had an inquiry from someone interested in working in this area, and no doubt there will be others. Any advice you can pass along will be appreciated.

Sincerely

GALE MCGEE
United States Senator

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June 28, 1968

AIR MAIL

Dear Ham:

I enclose herewith copies of two very tentative working outlines which will hopefully give you some better idea of what we are trying to do.

As I told you, our plan is to complete the work of the Commission by some time in December. I am trying to put one top lawyer on each of the seven groups listed in the Operation Outline. I have turned to the big firms for help because I need the experience and ability of top-flight, big-case lawyers in order to accomplish this task within the time allotted to us. We anticipate adding to each group a younger lawyer and one or two social scientists. Both Lloyd and I have been, in effect, donated by our firms and Pillsbury, Sidley Austin, Covington and Cahill Gordon have likewise agreed to give us one of their young trial partners. We have thought that either George Newton or Fred Bartlit would be a great addition to that group. Ham, I know that this request places a great burden on your firm and I appreciate your willingness to consider it. Your reaction to my suggestion of Newton or Bartlit was similar to Bromley's when Lloyd put the arm on me.

Next week you can reach me either through my office in New York or through Cutler's office in Washington.

My best regards.

Sincerely,

Thomas D. Barr

Enclosures

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June 28, 1968

Dear George:

I enclose herewith copies of the following:
(1) The Subculture of Violence; (2) The Riot Commission Report; (3) An interesting monograph by Professor Skolnick which I read last night.

Let me suggest that you read the last chapter of "The Subculture of Violence" and only skim the first part which is largely devoted to methodology.

I look forward to seeing you here on July 8.

Faithfully yours,

Thomas D. Barr

Enclosures

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Air Mail

June 28, 1968

Dear Jim:

I enclose herewith copies of the following:

1. The Subculture of Violence
2. The Warren Commission Report
3. The Riot Commission Report
4. The Crime Commission Report

These will give you a little light reading over the July 4 weekend. I would suggest that you read the last chapter of "The Subculture of Violence" and only skim the remainder of that book. The last chapter, I think, is very good but much of what precedes it is directed to social scientist methodology.

I look forward to seeing you on Monday, July 8.

Faithfully yours,

Thomas D. Barr

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