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MAR 17 1965

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TO DIRECTOR (44-12831)

FROM SELMA (44-557)

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ELECTION LAWS

REGISTRATION OF VOTERS, DALLAS COUNTY, ALABAMA, VOTERS
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REGISTRARS OF VOTERS, DALLAS COUNTY, SELMA, ALA. VOTING
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TO DIRECTOR /44-12831/
FROM SELMA *MOBILE* /44-5571

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REGISTRARS OF VOTERS, DALLAS COUNTY, ALABAMA. VOTING
DISCRIMINATION. CR. EL. Election Laws

M. G. [redacted]

B. R. [redacted] b7c

RE MO TEL EARLIER THIS DATE.

AT ONE THREE SIX P.M., C.S.T. TODAY, GROUP OF NINE SIX
CLERGY, ROMAN CATHOLIC PRIESTS, NUNS AND PROTESTANT MINISTERS
LEFT FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, JEFF DAVIS AND SLYBAN STREETS,
SELMA, AND WERE JOINED BY APPROXIMATELY TWO FIVE ZERO OTHER
MARCHERS, NEGRO AND WHITE, AND MARCHED APPROXIMATELY ONE
HUNDRED YARDS TOWARD SELMA STREET WHERE THEY WERE ~~EX~~ CONFRONTED
BY THE SELMA PD. PD UNDER DIRECTION OF CAPTAIN J. WILSON
BAKER, DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SAFETY, SELMA. NEGRO SPOKESMAN
REQUESTED PERMISSION TO MARCH TO DALLAS COUNTY COURTHOUSE IN
MEMORY OF QUOTE A FALLEN BROTHER UNQUOTE, REVEREND JAMES
REEB.

[redacted]
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BAKER DENIED REQUEST AND TOLD GROUP THAT QUOTE THIS
MATTER SHOULD BE HANDLED IN COURT, NOT IN SELMA UNQUOTE.

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ROMAN CATHOLIC PRIEST, DANIEL CANTWELL, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS,
READ PREPARED SPEECH. ACCORDING TO [REDACTED] CANTWELL IS
DIRECTOR OF INTERRACIAL COUNCIL, CHICAGO.

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BAKER AGAIN REQUESTED MARCHERS TO RETURN TO CHURCH.
MARCHERS THEN ATTEMPTED TO FLANK CONFRONTATION BY TURNING
THROUGH NEGRO HOUSING PROJECT. SELMA PD JOINED ARMS AND
CONFRONTED MARCHERS AGAIN. ALABAMA STATE TROOPERS RINGED
HOUSING PROJECT TO BACK UP SELMA PD. NO VIOLENCE USED TO
CONFRONT MARCHERS.

BAKER AGAIN ADDRESSED CLERGY STATING QUOTE WE HAD
VIOLENCE IN SELMA, ALABAMA. WE DON'T WANT A REPEAT OF
VIOLENCE UNQUOTE.

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NUMEROUS CLERGY THEN ADDRESSED GROUP AT CONFRONTATION
POINT. C.T. VIVIAN, SCLC, ACTED AS SPOKESMAN FOR GROUP.
VIVIAN CONTINUED. TO ADDRESS BAKER IN BOISTEROUS MANNER.
BAKER MADE STATEMENT THAT HE WOULD ARREST VIVIAN IN SIXTY SECONDS IF
HE CONTINUED. VIVIAN WAS THEN GRABBED BY CLERGY AT HEAD
OF LINE, AT CONFRONTATION POINT.

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GROUP THEN CONTINUED TO SING AND PRAY INTERMITTENTLY. AS THIS PROCEEDED, SMALL PRIVATE PLANE FLEW OVER AREA AT LOW ALTITUDE DROPPING LEAFLETS. ONE LEAFLET REQUESTED DONATIONS FOR DEFENSE OF R.B. KELLEY, ET AL, PRESENTLY CHARGED WITH MURDER OF REVEREND REEB IN SELMA. SECOND LEAFLET STATED QUOTE WHITE CITIZENS OF ALABAMA. NOW IS THE TIME TO JOIN OPERATION BAN. SELECTIVE HIRING, FIRING, BUYING, SELLING DASH AN UNEMPLOYED AGITATOR CEASES TO AGITATE DASH SPONSORED BY WHITE CITIZENS FOR ACTION COMMITTEE, INC., P.O. BOX ONE ZERO EIGHT ONE, TUSCALOOSA, ALABAMA UNQUOTE. ON BOTTON OF THIS LEAFLET WAS FOLLOWING MESSAGE, QUOTE THIS MESSAGE WAS BROUGHT TO YOU BY THE WORLD'S SMALLEST AIR FORCE DASH THE CONFEDERATE AIR FORCE UNQUOTE.

AT THREE ZERO SEVEN P.M., CLERGY, FOLLOWED BY NEGRO DEMONSTRATORS, LEFT CONFRONTATION POINT AND RETURNED TO FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH AT THREE TWELVE P.M.

NO INCIDENTS NOTED, NO ARRESTS MADE. BUREAU AGENTS ON SCENE OBSERVING. DEPARTMENTAL ATTORNEY JOHN NIXON ON SCENE AT SELMA COGNIZANT.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. Belmont

DATE: 3/11/65

FROM : A. Rosen

- 1 - Mr. Mohr
- 1 - Mr. Callahan
- 1 - Mr. Conrad
- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. Rosen
- 1 - Mr. Malley
- 1 - Mr. McGowan
- 1 - [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: REGISTRARS OF VOTERS
 DALLAS COUNTY, ALABAMA
 VOTING DISCRIMINATION
 CIVIL RIGHTS ELECTION LAWS

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SAC Dalness of the Mobile Office, who is in charge of the group of men at Selma, Alabama, has advised that in view of the trouble developing and the fact that information has been received from [REDACTED] that the Negroes and their supporters are "here to stay in Selma and the Black Belt", additional personnel will be needed. Dalness has advised that the SCLC crowd plans to demonstrate in various cities. Demonstrations have been going on in Selma and trouble is beginning to brew in Montgomery and other cities in the Middle District. We have been in daily contact with Dalness and the personnel situation was previously reviewed with him.

On February 20, 1965, six additional men were sent to the Mobile Office to assist in the covering of Civil Rights investigations in the Selma area. In connection with the daily contact, Dalness has made no additional requests for personnel other than the request for four Agents to assist on a photographing special which was to begin on March 10, 1965, but the court order was postponed and the photographing special did not commence. Dalness has previously advised that he thought he had sufficient personnel to handle the situation but since the program of demonstrations is not only continuing but beginning to expand, he believes it will be necessary for him to have additional personnel.

SAC Dalness has made the following request: He desires 16 Agents on special assignment (he plans to use ten men in Selma and the surrounding area and six men at Montgomery and adjacent counties). He has requested that eight cars with the latest Bureau frequency radios be sent in. He stated he does not need any stenographic or clerical help at this time.

Dalness has also requested that a teletype machine be installed in the Selma Resident Agency and that a direct telephone line be established between Washington, D. C. and Selma, Alabama.

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Memo to Mr. Belmont from A. Rosen
Re: Registrars of Voters, etc.

In addition he advises that Special Agent [redacted] is under transfer from Mobile to the New York Office and Dalness requests that his transfer be delayed until after the special is completed. b7c

Dalness requested if possible one of the Agents sent in on special assignment be a qualified sound man to assist in handling radio and communications problems in the territory.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. The General Investigative Division recommends that 16 Agents and 8 automobiles be sent to the Mobile Office. If approved, 10 Agents should report to SAC Dalness at Selma, Alabama, and 6 Agents should report to the Montgomery, Alabama, Resident Agency, with five cars and three cars respectively.

2. It is also recommended that SA [redacted] transfer to New York be delayed. b7c

3. It is also recommended that Mobile be authorized to install a teletype machine in the Selma Resident Agency to enable them to furnish and receive from the Bureau and other offices information on a more expeditious basis. It does not appear that a direct line to Selma from Washington is justified at this time but that sufficient telephone equipment should be obtained by the Mobile Office to enable it to more expeditiously handle the increased volume of calls in that area.

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Voter Registration Dallas County Ala
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March 15, 1965

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- 1 - Mr. Mohr
- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. Rosen
- 1 - Mr. Malley
- 1 - Mr. McGowan
- 1 - [Redacted]

To file at [Redacted] 8/15/65 - b7c

Honorable Marvin Watson
Special Assistant to the President
The White House
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Watson:

Enclosed is a memorandum dated March 15, 1965, confirming information furnished to Mr. Lee White, Legal Counsel to the President, by Mr. Cartha D. DeLoach of this Bureau on March 11, 1965, in response to his inquiry concerning [Redacted] and [Redacted]

You may wish to bring this to the attention of Mr. White. *Miss ACA*

A copy of the enclosed memorandum is being furnished to the Attorney General.

Sincerely yours,

Enclosure

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NOTE:

This is the matter concerning which Lee White, Legal Counsel to the President, made inquiry of Mr. DeLoach concerning the allegation that [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] had been stopped by Selma police and told that they could not render medical assistance to civil rights workers or move their ambulance on the street. Mr. DeLoach has furnished the information to Mr. Lee White telephonically. The Civil Rights Division of the Department has been advised and Mr. Owen of the Department on 3/11/65 requested that we locate and interview [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]. This is being done.

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FBI MOBILE
1-17 PM CST URGENT 3/12/65 LO
TO DIRECTOR (44-12831)
FROM MOBILE (44-557) 3P

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS OF DALLAS COUNTY, ALA.,
CIVIL RIGHTS, ELECTION LAWS
VOTING DISCRIMINATION, CR, ET.

Rec REMOTELETS EARLIER THIS DATE.

AT EIGHT AM, CST, TODAY, SIXTY TO SEVENTY PERSONS
REMAINED IN MARCH LINE IN FRONT OF BROWNS CHAPEL AME CHURCH
SELMA, ALA.

CENTRAL STANDARD TIME
AT TEN TWELVE AM, ~~CST~~, MAYOR JOSEPH SMITHERMAN APPEARED
AT HEAD OF LINE AND REFUSED PERMISSION FOR ANYONE TO
MARCH IN SELMA.

AT TEN FIFTYTHREE AM, SMITHERMAN READ A PREPARED
STATEMENT TO MARCHERS NUMBERING APPROXIMATELY TWO HUNDRED
AT THIS TIME THAT A MARCH WOULD NOT BE PERMITTED. SMITHERMAN
SAID IF MARCHERS WERE SERIOUS ABOUT A MEMORIAL SERVICE
FOR DECEASED REV. JAMES J. REEB, THIS SERVICE COULD BE
CONDUCTED INSIDE THE BROWNS CHAPEL AME CHURCH.

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MR. BELMONT FOR THE DIRECTOR

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REV. L. L. ANDERSON, NEGRO PASTOR OF BAPTIST TABERNACLE, MINTER AND BROAD STREET, SELMA, ACTING AS SPOKESMAN FOR MARCHERS ASKED SMITHERMAN BY WHOSE AUTHORITY HE STOPPED THE MARCH. SMITHERMAN STATED BY DECISION OF CITY COUNCIL, SELMA, ALA., SITTING IN A CLOSED SESSION. REV. ANDERSON THEN REQUESTED POLICE PROTECTION FOR A MEMORIAL MARCH FOR REEB TO DALLAS COUNTY COURTHOUSE, SELMA. SMITHERMAN REFUSED.

[REDACTED] ADVISED TODAY THAT THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF CHURCHES IS PRESENTLY MEETING IN WASHINGTON, D. C.

[REDACTED] STATED IT WOULD BE A SIMPLE MATTER TO REQUEST THIS GROUP TO COME TO SELMA TO ENTER THE PROTEST AGAINST VOTER REGISTRATION DISCRIMINATION. THERE WOULD BE ABOUT FIVE THOUSAND MINISTERS TO COME TO SELMA, IF THIS REQUEST WAS MADE, ACCORDING TO [REDACTED] STATED THE SNCC IS PRESENTLY CONTEMPLATING THIS ACTION.

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AS OF TWELVE FIFTEEN PM, TWO HUNDRED PERSONS REMAINED STANDING IN ONE BLOCK AREA IN FRONT OF THE CHURCH. THESE PEOPLE BEING MAINTAINED IN THE AREA BY LOCAL AUTHORITIES AND STATE TROOPERS WHO HAVE AREA BLOCK OFF.

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AT TWELVE EIGHTEEN PM, REVEREND ANDERSON IN
CONFRONTATION WITH MAYOR SMITHERMAN TOLD SMITHERMAN
THAT HAD THEY BEEN ALLOWED TO HOLD A FIFTEEN MINUTE
MEMORIAL SERVICE AT THE DALLAS COUNTY COURTHOUSE FOR
REV. REES, THE MARCHERS WOULD HAVE RETURNED TO THE
CHURCH AND CLEARED THE STREET.

NO INCIDENTS NOR ARRESTS TODAY.

BUAGENTS ON SCENE.

DEPARTMENTAL ATTORNEY JOHN NIXON ON SCENE AT SELMA
COGNIZANT.

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CC-MR. ROSEN
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March 12, 1965
GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION.

The Civil Rights Division of the
Department is being advised.

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TO DIRECTOR (44-12831)

FROM SELMA (44-5570)

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REGISTRARS OF VOTERS, DALLAS COUNTY, ALA., VOTING DIS-
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RE HOTEL EARLIER TODAY.

AT TWELVE NOON A GROUP OF EIGHT INDIVIDUALS LED BY ONE
WHITE FEMALE AND ONE NEGRO FEMALE OBSERVED IN FRONT OF ST.
PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH, SELMA. THIS GROUP CONFERRED WITH
INDIVIDUALS AT THE CHURCH DOOR, WERE REFUSED ADMISSION AND
RETURNED TO BROWN CHAPEL AME CHURCH, SELMA.

*SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP
CONFERENCE*

AT ONE FIFTY-SEVEN P.M. TODAY HOSEA WILLIAMS, *SCLE STAFF*
ADDRESSED A GROUP OF MINISTERS AT THE CONFRONTATION POINT
NEAR BROWN CHAPEL CHURCH. MINISTERS PREDOMINANTLY WHITE AND
A FEW NEGRO WERE CARRYING SIGNS READING ~~SUITE~~ "SELMA WALL" ~~END~~
~~SUITE~~. ONE MINISTER OF A UNITATION CHURCH IN BOSTON, MASS.
ADVISED THIS GROUP THAT A BUS CARRYING BOARD MEMBERS OF THAT
CHURCH ~~WILL~~ ~~ARRIVE~~ SELMA LATER THIS DATE TO JOIN IN THE
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D. Lynne
advised 3/15/65
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RACIAL DEMONSTRATIONS.

[REDACTED] ADVISED THAT A MASS MEETING WOULD BE HELD TONIGHT AT EIGHT P.M. AT BROWN CHAPEL AME CHURCH. HE SAID NO DEMONSTRATIONS WERE PLANNED FOR TODAY OR TONIGHT. HOWEVER, TOMORROW AT EIGHT A.M. A GROUP OF MINISTERS WILL LEAD A MARCH TO THE LINE OF CONFRONTATION. [REDACTED] SAID MAYOR JOSEPH SMITHERMAN OF SELMA HAD ISSUED A STATEMENT THAT ANYONE CROSSING AN IMAGINARY LINE AT THE CONFRONTATION POINT TOMORROW WILL BE ARRESTED. ACCORDING TO [REDACTED] THESE CLERGY WILL TEST THIS STATEMENT. IF THEY ARE NOT ARRESTED THEY WILL CONTINUE A MARCH TO THE DALLAS COUNTY COURT HOUSE.

[REDACTED]
ADVISED THAT THIS RESTRAINING LINE WOULD BE USED ONLY TO KEEP DEMONSTRATORS FROM INTERFERING WITH THE VOTER REGISTRATION LINE AS MARCH FIFTEEN NEXT IS VOTER REGISTRATION DAY IN DALLAS COUNTY.

[REDACTED] SAID THAT DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING., JR., SCLC, WILL ARRIVE IN SELMA SOMETIME TOMORROW, MARCH FIFTEEN NEXT AND ADDRESS A MASS MEETING AT BROWN CHAPEL AME CHURCH AT TWO P.M. AFTER THIS MEETING THERE WILL BE A MARCH TO THE PLACE
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WHERE REVEREND JAMES REEB WAS MURDERED OR POSSIBLY A MARCH TO THE DALLAS COUNTY COURT HOUSE IN DOWNTOWN SELMA.

[REDACTED] ADVISED THAT HE HAD A CONFERENCE WITH HOSEA WILLIAMS REGARDING MEMORIAL SERVICES FOR REVEREND JAMES REEB TO BE HELD TOMORROW IN SELMA. HOSEA WILLIAMS HAD REQUESTED THE CITY OF SELMA TO MAKE AVAILABLE TO HIM THE MEMORIAL STADIUM FOR THESE SERVICES. THE REQUEST WAS ORIGINALLY FROM ONE DASH FOUR P.M., HOWEVER [REDACTED] STATED THE CITY OF SELMA HAD GRANTED PERMISSION FOR THESE INDIVIDUALS TO USE THE CITY STADIUM ALL DAY, MARCH FIFTEEN NEXT. AT THIS TIME HOSEA WILLIAMS STATED THAT HE DID NOT KNOW WHETHER THEY WOULD UTILIZE THE CITY MEMORIAL STADIUM OR HAVE THE SERVICES FOR REVEREND REEB AT BROWN CHAPEL AME CHURCH.

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BUAGENTS WILL COVER MEETING AND WILL OBSERVE ANY ATTEMPTS TO MARCH ON THE DALLAS COUNTY COURT HOUSE MARCH FIFTEEN NEXT.

AS OF FIVE P.M. TODAY APPROXIMATELY TWO HUNDRED DEMONSTRATORS WERE STANDING AT THE LINE OF CONFRONTATION. NO INCIDENTS HAVE BEEN REPORTED TODAY AND NO ARRESTS MADE.

JOHN NIXON, DEPARTMENTAL ATTORNEY ON SCENE AT SELMA ADVISED.

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LINE 10 WORD 6 SHD BE UNITARIAN

PAGE 2 LINE 19 WORD 1 SHD BE NEXT. THANK YOU.

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3/15/65

GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION

Approximately 200-250 Negroes and whites maintained an all-night vigil in streets near Brown Chapel throughout night of 3/13-14/65.

Negroes and out-of-state clergy attempted to integrate white churches in Selma, Alabama, 3/14/65, without success. No violence occurred.

We are keeping the Civil Rights Division of the Department advised of activities in Selma, Alabama.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

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TO : Mr. Belmont *ab*

FROM : A. Rosen *AR*

SUBJECT: REGISTRARS OF VOTERS
DALLAS COUNTY, ALABAMA
VOTING DISCRIMINATION
CIVIL RIGHTS & ELECTION LAWS

DATE: March 9, 1965

- 1 - Mr. Mohr
- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. Rosen
- 1 - Mr. Malley
- 1 - Mr. McGowan
- 1 - [REDACTED]

The Mobile Office has advised that approximately 1,100 people began to march today in Selma, Alabama. They were headed by the Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.; Amelia Boynton, local Negro leader; John Lewis, Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee leader; and Reverend James Bevel. The leaders were stopped by a Deputy U. S. Marshal from Mobile who read to the leaders and the marchers the order issued by U. S. District Judge Johnson enjoining a march from Selma to Montgomery. Following the reading of it, the marchers continued on the march and went across the bridge.

Alabama State Troopers were stationed beyond the bridge at a point where they had turned back the marchers last Sunday. According to the Mobile Office, plans had been arranged that the troopers would stop the marchers at the first traffic light and that the marchers would then return to Selma without further disturbance. The Mobile Office advised that Acting Assistant Attorney General John Doar and Leroy Collins, former governor of Florida who is now connected with the Community Relations Service, met with Martin Luther King this morning. It is reported that an agreement had been worked out that the marchers would stop when approached by the State Troopers. When the marchers arrived at the predetermined spot, they were advised by the troopers that the march should not continue.

At that point, the participants, numbering about 2,000 which included a substantial number of whites, held an impromptu meeting. During the meeting, the wife of Senator Paul Douglas from Illinois and a Mrs. Tobin, subsequently identified as Mrs. Charles Toby, the widow of the late Senator Charles Toby of New Hampshire stood up and received an ovation. An unidentified Catholic priest from Washington, D. C., talked briefly and an unidentified rabbi from Massachusetts said a prayer.

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Memorandum to Mr. Belmont
RE: DALLAS COUNTY, ALABAMA

Reverend King then spoke briefly stating he felt that it was their right and certainly their desire to continue on to Montgomery and if allowed to do so, they would walk on the side of the road so that there would be no interference with traffic on the highway. King then bitterly protested the police brutality which he alleged had occurred in connection with prior demonstrations in Selma and then suggested that the group return to the church. At that point, the impromptu meeting disbanded and the group, led by Mrs. Toby, started their return to Browns Chapel.

According to SAC Dalness, officers of the Selma Police Department as well as officers from the Dallas County Sheriff's Office were observing and moving along with the line of marchers. No incidents or difficulties occurred. One individual tentatively identified as [REDACTED] of Jacksonville, Florida, was arrested by the police. He was reported to have had firearms and a quantity of ammunition. b7C

ACTION

Civil Rights Division of the Department has been advised of the above information.

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REGISTRARS OF VOTERS, DALLAS COUNTY, ALABAMA, VOTING
DISCRIMINATION, CR, Et. *Civil Rights - Election laws*

RE MOTELS MARCH FOURTEEN LAST.
 AT SIX FIFTYEIGHT A.M., *Central Standard Time* TODAY, HOSEA WILLIAMS,
Southern Christian Leadership Conference SCLC STAFF, ADDRESSED CROWD OF APPROXIMATELY FIFTY TO ONE
 HUNDRED INDIVIDUALS IN FRONT OF THE BROWN CHAPEL AME CHURCH.
 ACCORDING TO WILLIAMS, THE DEMONSTRATORS WOULD MARCH TO THE
 DALLAS COUNTY COURTHOUSE TODAY IN PROTEST OF THE DEATH OF REV.
 JAMES REEB. AT THIS TIME NO LOCAL OFFICERS OR ALABAMA STATE
 TROOPERS WERE ON THE SCENE. FOUR ALABAMA STATE TROOPER CARS
 WERE OBSERVED PARKED ON SELMA AVE. APPROXIMATELY THREE BLOCKS
 FROM THE CHURCH AREA. NO OTHER UNITS ON THE SCENE.

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 [REDACTED] NEAR THE SCENE OF [REDACTED] MAR 17 1965
 BROWN CHAPEL CHURCH ADVISED THAT PEOPLE ACTIVE IN THE CIVIL
 RIGHTS DEMONSTRATION IN SELMA HAVE REQUESTED THE USE OF THE CITY
 MEMORIAL STADIUM TODAY. *He* UNDERSTOOD THAT THESE PEOPLE
 INTENDED TO HOLD A MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR REV. JAMES REEB.
 END PAGE ONE. *5 6 3*

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MR. BELMONT FOR THE DIRECTOR

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[REDACTED] ON SCENE IN SELMA SAID THAT IN ADDITION TO THE b7D
STADIUM THESE INDIVIDUALS REQUESTED THE USE OF THE NATIONAL
GUARD ARMORY ADJACENT TO THE STADIUM. THIS SOURCE STATED THAT
IF THE REQUEST WAS NOT GRANTED THEY WOULD DEMONSTRATE IN THAT
AREA. THIS SOURCE ALSO ADVISED THAT DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING
WAS TO ARRIVE IN SELMA, ALA., AT TWELVE NOON TODAY.

[REDACTED] ALSO ADVISED THAT MONSIGNOR KENNEDY ON THE b7D
SCENE AT BROWN CHAPEL AME CHURCH TOLD HIM CARDINAL SHEEHAN OF
BALTIMORE, MD., WAS DUE TO ARRIVE IN SELMA AT TWELVE THIRTY
P.M. TODAY.

AT EIGHT ZERO NINE AM REV. CHARLES ~~KING~~ OF EVANSTON, A/A
IND. ADDRESSED GROUP AT FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, A NEGRO CHURCH
NEAR BROWN CHAPEL AME CHURCH ON THE PROPER WAY TO PROTECT HEAD
AND BODY IN EVENT MARCHERS RECEIVED BEATINGS TODAY.

AT EIGHT THIRTY AM A GROUP OF THIRTY-FOUR UNITARIAN CHURCH
MEMBERS, NEGROES AND WHITES, APPEARING TO BE YOUNG COLLEGE
STUDENTS, ARRIVED AT FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, SELMA.

AT EIGHT THIRTY-NINE A.M., C.T. ~~VIVIAN~~, SCLC, ADVISED A/A
END PAGE TWO.

SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP
CONFERENCE

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[REDACTED] ON SCENE AT BROWN CHAPEL CHURCH THAT THERE
WOULD DEFINITELY BE A MARCH TO THE DALLAS COUNTY COURTHOUSE
TODAY. ACCORDING TO VIVIAN THIS MARCH WOULD ORIGINATE AT
BROWN CHAPEL CHURCH, MARCH WEST TO ALABAMA AVE., UP ALABAMA AVE.
TO LAUDERDALE STREET TO THE LAUDERDALE STREET ENTRANCE OF THE
COURT HOUSE. VIVIAN ALSO STATED THAT ON THE COURTHOUSE STEPS
THESE INDIVIDUALS WOULD CONDUCT A SHORT MEMORIAL SERVICE
FOR REV. REEB AND THEN RETURN TO THE BROWN CHAPEL AREA. VIVIAN
ALSO STATED THAT IN THIS MARCH THE DEMONSTRATORS WOULD MARCH
FIVE ABREAST AND UTILIZE THE STREETS INSTEAD OF SIDEWALKS OF
SELMA.

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BUREAU AGENTS ON SCENE AND WILL OBSERVE AND PHOTOGRAPH
MARCH.

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DEPARTMENTAL ATTORNEY JOHN NIXON ON SCENE AT SELMA ADVISED.

AIRMAIL COPIES TO ATLANTA AND BIRMINGHAM.

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cc: *Mr. Rosen*
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March 15, 1965
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Inspector Sullivan subsequently advised that a large group did attempt to march from Brown's Chapel AME Church to the Selma Courthouse to hold a memorial service for Rev. James Reeb but the march was stopped en route by Sheriff James Clark. He told them that they could go to the courthouse individually to register to vote but he would not permit a march. Only a small number of individuals have gathered at the courthouse for registration purposes. As of 11:25 a.m., Washington, D. C., time, the group was breaking up and returning to Brown's Chapel. No violence reported in connection with this demonstration. Department has been advised.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

Tolson	_____
Belmont	_____
Mohr	_____
DeLoach	_____
Casper	_____
Callahan	_____
Conrad	_____
Felt	_____
Gale	_____
Rosen	_____
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Tele. Room	_____
Holmes	_____
Gandy	_____

TO : Mr. Belmont

DATE: March 11, 1965

FROM : A. Rosen *ARM*

- 1 - Mr. Mohr
- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. Rosen
- 1 - Mr. Malley
- 1 - Mr. McGowan
- 1 - [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: REGISTRARS OF VOTERS
 DALLAS COUNTY, ALABAMA
 VOTING DISCRIMINATION
 CIVIL RIGHTS ELECTION LAWS
 BuFILE 44-12831

John Murphy, Attorney, Civil Rights Division, telephonically contacted the Bureau on 3/11/65 to inquire as to the number of FBI Agents in Selma, Alabama. Murphy was asked as to the reason for which such information was desired. Murphy advised that he had been instructed by St. John Barrett, who is in charge of the Civil Rights Division in the absence of John Doar, to obtain this information from the Bureau. Murphy understood that the information was not for publication but was desired "for the White House."

No statement was made to Murphy as to the number or approximate number of Agents in Selma, but he was advised that he would be notified in this matter.

This matter was brought to the attention of Mr. DeLoach, who called Mr. George E. Reedy, Press Secretary to the President. Mr. DeLoach suggested to Mr. Reedy that there should be no numbers game as to the Agent personnel in Selma, as the number of Agents on hand fluctuates based on the circumstances existing in the area. Mr. Reedy agreed.

ACTION:

Mr. Murphy was telephonically advised that the Bureau would take the matter up directly with the White House regarding the personnel assigned to the Selma, Alabama, area.

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To: SAC, Mobile

From: Director, FBI

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS,
DALLAS COUNTY, ALABAMA,
SELMA, ALABAMA;
VOTING DISCRIMINATION
CIVIL RIGHTS/ELECTION LAWS

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Please furnish following information on above matter, including as a part thereof any other matters that can be clearly identified as having arisen as a direct result of captioned matter. (Example: Agnes Baggett, Secretary of State, State of Alabama; Voting Discrimination - Civil Rights - Election Laws), compiled or estimated from January 2, 1965, through close of business March 27, 1965, and submit thereafter cumulative totals through the end of each week (close of business Saturdays) until further notice:

1. Number of man hours spent on case broken down as to (1) regular hours, (2) overtime hours, and (3) total man hours by following employees (separate figures for each class of employees shown):

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Special Agents
Clerical employees

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2. Total mileage (estimated or actual) traveled by Bucars used on case. Include mileage for cars traveling to and from other field offices on special assignment and any personally owned and rented cars used.

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3. Any unusual or out-of-the-ordinary costs, such as cost of chartering airplane, rental of special office space, leased telephone lines, etc. These should be itemized and cost of each item shown.

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 Conrad _____
 Felt _____
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 Sullivan _____
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 Holmes _____
 Gandy _____

1 - Mr. Mohr (sent direct) 1 - Mr. Belmont (sent direct)
 13) 1 - Mr. DeLoach (sent direct) 1 - Mr. Rosen (sent direct)
 1 - Mr. Callahan (sent direct) 1 - Mr. Conrad (sent direct) b7c
 1 - Room 2262 (sent direct)

NOTE: Based on memo Callahan to Mohr; same subject as above.
3/15/65.

MAIL ROOM TELETYPE UNIT

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**Airtel to Mobile
Registrars of Voters,
Dallas County, Alabama,
Selma, Alabama;
Voting Discrimination
Civil Rights; Election Laws**

- 4. Peak number of Special Agents working on case during week for which report is submitted.**

In order to avoid any duplication in event other field offices involved, information concerning same should be submitted by them and included in your report. Cost data is to be submitted for the attention of the Administrative Division as promptly as possible after the close of each week in order that the Bureau may maintain complete and up-to-date cost data on case.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

Tolson	_____
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TO : MR. MOHR

DATE: 3/15/65

FROM : N. P. CALLAHAN *md*

SUBJECT: REGISTRARS OF VOTERS,
DALLAS COUNTY, ALABAMA
SELMA, ALABAMA;
VOTING DISCRIMINATION
CIVIL RIGHTS, ELECTION LAWS



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In accordance with your instructions there is attached an airtel to the SAC, Mobile, requesting him to furnish information on captioned case on which we can maintain cost estimates. The airtel instructs him to include similar data on any other matters that have arisen or will arise in the future that can be clearly identified as having arisen as a direct result of captioned case, giving as an example the case covering the suit filed against the State of Alabama, and the Secretary of State (Alabama) to enjoin use of comprehension test as prerequisite to registration to vote (Justice officials want FBI, if court ruling favorable, to photograph voter records in 61 counties of Alabama; would tie up 18 agents for about 3 weeks). SAC requested to make first submission cover period from 1/2/65 (inception of voter registration drive on Selma, Alabama by Southern Christian Leadership Conference lead by Martin Luther King, Jr.) through 3/27/65, and cumulative figures at end of each subsequent week. The instructions otherwise are the same as those issued in other cases on which we have requested cost data.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the attached airtel to the SAC at Mobile as outlined above, be permitted to go out.



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Enclosure *(det. Ack.)*

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- 1 - Mr. Belmont (sent direct)
- 1 - Mr. Rosen (sent direct)
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FBI LOUISVILLE

9-17PM EST URGENT 3-15-65 JAH

TO DIRECTOR AND NEW YORK
FROM LOUISVILLE/56-165/

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REGISTRARS OF VOTERS, DALLAS COUNTY, ALABAMA, VOTING
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RE CONFERENCE BUAIRTEL THREE THIRTEEN SIXTYFIVE.

COURIER DASH JOURNAL MORGUE UNABLE TO LOCATE PHOTO REQUESTED. AP LOUISVILLE OFFICE HAS NEGATIVE BUT WILL NEED AUTHORITY OF AP WIRE SERVICE HEADQUARTERS, NEW YORK CITY TO MAKE AVAILABLE.

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PHOTO IN QUESTION IS TROOPER STANDING OVER KNEELING WOMAN AT LEFT AS ANOTHER CLUBS MARCHER.

NEW YORK HANDLE AND ADVISE LOUISVILLE RESULTS.

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FBI BOSTON

1217AM EST URGENT 3/16/65 RCS

TO DIRECTOR, NEW YORK AND MOBILE

FROM BOSTON \44-431\ 2P

NEW YORK VIA WASH DC

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REGISTRARS OF VOTERS, DALLAS COUNTY, ALABAMA, VOTING
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RE BUREAU AIRTEL THREE THIRTEEN SIXTYFIVE, BOSTON TEL CALL

TO NEW YORK THREE FIFTEEN SIXTYFIVE AND BOSTON TEL CALL TO

SA [Redacted] NEW YORK, THREE FIFTEEN SIXTYFIVE.

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FOR INFORMATION OF NEW YORK, BUREAU AIRTEL OF

THREE THIRTEEN SIXTYFIVE REQUESTED THAT BOSTON SECURE

TWENTY GLOSSY COPIES OF AN AP PHOTOGRAPH APPEARING IN THE

BOSTON GLOBE, MARCH EIGHT, SIXTYFIVE, ON PAGE TWO, CAPTION BEGINNING QUOTE CLUBS AND TEAR GAS, ETC., UNQUOTE.

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INQUIRY AT BOSTON DISCLOSES THAT THIS IS A UP PHOTOGRAPH MAR 17 1965

RATHER THAN AP. BOSTON UP ADVISED ON THREE FIFTEEN SIXTYFIVE

THAT ORIGINAL NEGATIVE AT UP, NEW YORK, AND INASMUCH AS

BOSTON UP DOES NOT HAVE FACILITIES TO PRODUCE EIGHT BY TEN

COPIES, AS REQUESTED BY BUREAU, UP AT NEW YORK HAS AGREED

TO MAKE UP TWENTY COPIES OF THIS SIZE.

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RELAYED TO NY

cc [Redacted]

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NEW YORK IS REQUESTED TO CONTACT EITHER [REDACTED]
OR [REDACTED] UP, TWO TWENTY EAST FORTY SECOND STREET,
NEW YORK, TELEPHONE M U TWO DASH ZERO FOUR ZERO ZERO. THE
ORDER WAS GIVEN BY [REDACTED] BOSTON, UPI, TO [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] AND THE NEGATIVE INVOLVED IS NUMBER S L P ZERO
THREE ZERO SEVEN ZERO TWO.

[REDACTED] FURTHER ADVISED THAT CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS
UNDER WHICH UP OPERATES, ARE UNDERWAY AND THE CONTRACT
WILL EXPIRE AT MIDNIGHT. IN THE EVENT NO AGREEMENT
REACHED, UP AT NEW YORK, AS WELL AS IN OTHER CITIES, WILL
BE CLOSED. ACCORDINGLY SUGGESTED THAT NEW YORK TELEPHONICALLY
CONTACT EITHER [REDACTED] OR [REDACTED] IMMEDIATELY TO
DETERMINE PROGRESS BEING MADE ON THE PHOTOGRAPHS IN ORDER
THAT STEPS MAY BE TAKEN TO SECURE THESE PHOTOS BEFORE
MIDNIGHT, THREE FIFTEEN SIXTYFIVE. PHOTOGRAPHS SHOULD
BE SUBMITTED TO BUREAU. BUREAU HAS INSTRUCTED THAT
MATTER BE HANDLED ON EXPEDITE BASIS AND NECESSARY LEADS
SET OUT BY TELETYPE.

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Date: 3/11/65

Transmit the following in PLAIN
(Type in plaintext or code)

Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-12831)
ATTN: LABORATORY MECHANICAL SECTION
PHOTO UNIT

FROM: SAC, MOBILE (44-557)(P)

SUBJECT: REGISTRARS OF VOTERS
DALLAS COUNTY, ALA.
VOTING DISCRIMINATION
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Transmitted herewith are two 100 ft. rolls, and one 50 ft. roll of exposed undeveloped Recordak 1640 type film containing photographs of certain selected records of the Dallas County, Ala. Board of Registrars at Selma, Ala. These photographs were taken 3/10-11/65 using a Recordak IRD-2 camera with voltage continuously monitored at 86.0 VAC. Records photographed were selected and identified by Departmental Attorney CARL W. GABEL.

Also transmitted are two strips of film containing photographs of test strips taken at the start and conclusion of the photography.

For the information of the Bureau, one roll of film containing photographs of the above records has been processed at Hoover, Ala. Xerox copies of this film have been furnished AAG. JOHN DOAR presently at Montgomery, Ala.

The Photo Unit is requested to process transmitted film, prepare Xerox copies of same, and contact the Civil Rights Division of the Department for dissemination instructions.

In order to facilitate expeditious handling, the above film is being forwarded directly to the Bureau from the Selma, Ala. Resident Agency.

- 3 Bureau
- 1- Film Package (RM)
- 1- Mobile

cc - Wick ENCLOSURE

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Approved: [Signature]
Special Agent in Charge

Sent [Redacted] Per [Redacted]

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6-94-1 to CPW-3-19-65 7:10:10; Exp. are 3 rolls of processing film x 1, out of 17 April 1965. 21 cc. in 21 Dallas County, Ala. Board of Registrars. 3-10-11-65 at the request of C. Gabel.

Dist. copy 5/17/72 per [Redacted]
Form 301 dated 5/17/72

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FBI MOBILE

741 PM CST 3/12/65 URGENT CCM
TO DIRECTOR (44-12831)
FROM MOBILE (44-557) 3 PAGES

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS, DALLAS COUNTY, ALA., VOTING
DISCRIMINATION. *Civil Rights Election Laws*

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RE MOBILE TODAY.

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VOTER REGISTRATION APPEARANCE BOOK, DALLAS COUNTY
COURTHOUSE, CLOSED TODAY AT FOUR THIRTY P.M. FOLLOWING
Numbers
NO. 99. ISSUED DURING WEEK ON DAYS INDICATED / THREE NINE
Numbers
SIXTYFIVE, NO. TWO SIX ZERO SIX AND TWO SIX ZERO SEVEN
BOTH ISSUED TO WHITE PERSONS / THREE TEN SIXTYFIVE, NONE
THREE ELEVEN SIXTYFIVE, NO. TWO SIX ZERO EIGHT TO WHITE
PERSON AND TWO SIX ZERO NINE TO NEGRO / THREE TWELVE
SIXTYFIVE, NONE. LAST NO. ISSUED TWO SIX ZERO NINE
AS OF FIVE THIRTY P.M., *Central Standard Time* CST, TODAY APPROXIMATELY

EIGHTYFIVE TO ONE HUNDRED PERSONS, NEGRO AND WHITE, RE: MAR 18 1965

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*M. Betz ckd
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UNDER A MAKE SHIFT TARPAULIN ERECTED DURING NIGHT HOURS FOR SHELTER. ANOTHER FIFTY TO SIXTY PERSONS MILLING AROUND THE AREA NEAR BROWN'S CHAPEL AME CHURCH.

AT TWO ZERO SIX P.M. ^{CENTRAL STANDARD TIME} ~~EST~~, APPROXIMATELY TEN CATHOLIC PRIESTS FROM STATE OF CONN. ^{CONNECTICUT} JOINED DEMONSTRATION LINE. DAY SPENT MOSTLY IN SINGING SONGS AND OFFERING PRAYERS.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ADVISED THERE HAD BEEN SOME DISCUSSION OF CHARGING THE POLICE LINE BEING MAINTAINED BY SELMA ^{POLICE DEPARTMENT} ~~PD~~ AND ALA. STATE TROOPERS HOWEVER IT WAS DECIDED THIS DECISION WOULD BE LEFT TO DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING WHO IS PRESENTLY ATTENDING COURT IN MONTGOMERY, ALA.

AT FIVE THIRTYFIVE P.M., ^{Southern Christian Leadership Conference} RICHARD ~~BOONE~~ AND REV. WILLIAM GREER, BOTH ~~SELE~~, ANNOUNCED TO LINE OF CONFRONTATION THAT NO CONSIDERATION WOULD BE GIVEN A NIGHT MARCH UNTIL DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING ARRIVED FROM MONTGOMERY, ^{ALABAMA} ALA. BOONE SAID KING WOULD REMAIN IN MONTGOMERY UNTIL THE HEARING IS FINISHED.

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PRESENT INFORMATION IS THAT HEARING WILL CONTINUE ON THREE
THIRTEEN INSTANT.

| BUAGENTS ON SCENE. NO INCIDENTS TODAY OR ARRESTS.

DEPARTMENTAL ATTORNEY JOHN NIXON ON SCENE AT SELMA
COGNIZANT. P.

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FBI WASH DC

March 13, 1965
GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION

The court referred to in attached which Martin Luther King is attending is hearing in U. S. District Court, Montgomery, Alabama, regarding petition to enjoin authorities of the State of Alabama from interfering with Negro demonstrators.

Approximately 300 persons were at Brown's Chapel Church, Selma, as of 11:30 p. m. , 3/12/65, but no organized meeting occurred.

King left Montgomery, Alabama, for Atlanta, Georgia, on 3/12/65 at 9:20 p. m. Central Standard Time.

Department being advised.

As of 3/12/65

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V. King

COPY SENT TO MR. TOLSON

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

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W. J. Sullivan

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SENT BY CODED TELETYPE
FBI NEW YORK

9-23 PM URGENT 3-15-65 DAE

TO DIRECTOR -9- 44-12831 AND MOBILE 44-557
MOBILE VIA WASHINGTON-ENCODED
FROM NEW YORK 44-1108 /P/

REGISTRATION OF VOTERS, DALLAS COUNTY, ALABAMA, VOTING DISCRIMINATION, b7c
CIVIL RIGHTS-ELECTION LAWS.

RE [REDACTED] NYC. *ALA.*

REBUTELS MARCH TWELVE SIXTY FIVE AND FEB. FIFTEEN SIXTY FIVE. b7c b7D

[REDACTED] LICENSED TO PRACTICE IN THE STATES OF NEW YORK AND CONNECTICUT, PRACTICING AT [REDACTED] NYC, AND A MEMBER OF THE FACULTY, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] NOT PREVIOUSLY AVAILABLE FURNISHED THE FOLLOWING INFO MARCH FIFTEEN SIXTY FIVE.

HE IS A MEMBER OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, MEDICAL COMMITTEE FOR HUMAN RIGHTS /MCHR/ AND AS SUCH RESPONDED TO A REQUEST ON MONDAY, MARCH EIGHT SIXTY FIVE TO GO TO SELMA, ALABAMA TO RENDER ASSISTANCE.

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HIS PURPOSE AS OTHERS WITH MCHR WAS NOT TO PRACTICE MEDICINE BUT TO GIVE (NUMBER ONE) SYMPATHETIC MEDICAL PRESENCE (NUMBER TWO) TRANSFER OF INJURED PERSONS TO LOCAL PHYSICIANS OR HOSPITALS (NUMBER THREE) EMERGENCY FIRST AID. HE DID NOT BRING SURGICAL OR MEDICAL EQUIPMENT.

ON MARCH TEN SIXTY FIVE ABOUT NOON HE WITH [REDACTED] WHEN PLACING AMBULANCES FOR POSSIBLE USE NEAR THE POLICE LINES WERE ACCOSTED BY AN ALABAMA STATE TROOPER. THREE TROOPERS ACCOMPANIED BY A MAN IN CIVILIAN CLOTHING SUBSEQUENTLY IDENTIFIED AS [REDACTED] TOOK [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] TO THE DALLAS COUNTY SHERIFF-S OFFICE. THERE [REDACTED] QUESTIONED THEM AT LENGTH AS TO THE REASON FOR THEIR PRESENCE IN SELMA AND WHETHER THEY HAD PRACTICED OR INTEND TO PRACTICE MEDICINE. b7c b7D

[REDACTED] STATED THEY WOULD BE ARRESTED IF THEY TOUCHED, PICKED UP OR ASSISTED IN ANY WAY OR GAVE FIRST AID OR TREATMENT TO ANY PERSON NO MATTER WHAT THE EMERGENCY.

[REDACTED] STATES HE DID NOT BELIEVE HE WAS UNDER ARREST AND WAS NOT BOOKED OR PRINTED BUT WAS PHOTOGRAPHED AT [REDACTED] REQUEST WITH HIS PERMISSION. THE QUESTION OF POSSIBLE FALSE ARREST AROSE AFTER HIS RETURN TO NYC WHEN HE DISCUSSED THE INCIDENT WITH HIS FATHER A PRACTICING ATTORNEY.

HE DID NOT TAKE PART IN ANY DEMONSTRATIONS AND STATES HE WOULD HAVE PROVIDED FIRST AID AS PLANNED IF THE NEED HAD ARISEN.

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HE DEPARTED SELMA BECAUSE HE FELT THE NEED FOR HIS PRESENCE WAS OVER AND BECAUSE OF THE NECESSITY OF ATTENDING TO HIS PRACTICE IN NYC.

HE STATES ON THE NIGHT REVEREND JAMES REEB WAS ASSAULTED HE, [REDACTED] AND SEVERAL NURSES HAD BEEN AT WALKER-S CAFE FOR DINNER ABOUT FORTY FIVE MINUTES PRIOR TO THE ASSAULT OF REVEREND REEB.

AS THEY ENTERED THE MCHR MEDICAL VAN PARKED OUTSIDE THE CAFE, THREE WHITE MEN APPROACHED THE VAN. ONE LARGE MAN RAISED HIS FIST AND SHOUTED OBSCENITIES. THE WINDOWS AND DOORS WERE CLOSED AND LOCKED BY THE OCCUPANTS. THE THREE WHITE MEN WHO HAD APPARENTLY BEEN DRINKING ROCKED THE VAN AND POUNDED ON THE SIDES AND THE WINDOWS. [REDACTED] DROVE THE VAN AWAY WITHOUT FURTHER INCIDENT. THIS INCIDENT WAS REPORTED TO AUTHORITIES AT SELMA.

[REDACTED] BELIEVES THESE THREE POSSIBLY AMONG THOSE INVOLVED IN THE ASSAULT ON REVEREND REEB AND THAT HE COULD IDENTIFY AT LEAST ONE.

FD THREE ZERO TWO BEING SUBMITTED BY SEPARATE COMMUNICATION.

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~~CORR P2 L9 W1~~ [REDACTED]

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GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION

This is the matter concerning which Lee White, Legal Counsel for the President, made inquiry of Mr. DeLoach concerning the allegation that doctors [redacted] and [redacted] had been stopped by Selma Police and told they could not render assistance to the demonstrators. We interviewed [redacted] b7c b7D

[redacted] who admitted stopping the doctors from practicing without Alabama license. The White House and Attorney General have been advised. We interviewed the two doctors at request of the Civil Rights Division. Results being furnished to Civil Rights Division.

[redacted] R. J. [redacted] b7c

March 12, 1965

GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION

Civil Rights Division of the Department being advised and Mobile being instructed to advise local and state authorities, military authorities and Secret Service. Sixteen additional Agents have been ordered into the Mobile Division today six of whom are being sent to Montgomery, Alabama. Mobile has been instructed to insure that sufficient personnel are available to handle any developments that occur and to keep Bureau fully advised of all pertinent developments.

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Date: 3/14/65

Transmit the following in PLAIN TEXT
(Type in plaintext or code)

Via AIRTEL
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (44-1108) (P)

SUBJECT: REGISTRARS OF VOTERS,
DALLAS COUNTY, ALABAMA
SELMA, ALABAMA VOTING
DISCRIMINATION
CR - EL Election Laws
(OO: MO)

Re Mobile tel, 3/10/65, requesting photos from news media for use in USDC, Montgomery, 3/11/65, and telephone calls requesting additional data relating to incidents at Selma, Alabama, 2/10/65, and at Marion, Alabama, 2/18/65.

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3-Bureau
2-Mobile (44-557)
2-Selma RA
(Inspector J. A. SULLIVAN)
1-New York

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Approved: [Signature] Sent _____ M Per _____
Special Agent in Charge

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The following investigation was conducted
at NYC by SAS [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]

RE: UNITED PRESS INTERNATIONAL
(UPI) - NEWS PHOTOS,
220 EAST 42ND STREET,
NEW YORK, NEW YORK

[REDACTED] made available, on 3/10/65,
negatives of photographs taken by UPI photographers at
Selma, Alabama, on 3/7/65. Two hundred eight (208) 8"x
10" enlargements were prepared from these negatives by
the NYO on 3/10/65.

[REDACTED] advised the photographs were taken by
[REDACTED] assigned UPI, Atlanta, and [REDACTED]
Columbia, South Carolina.

[REDACTED] advised both were assigned at Selma
and/or Montgomery, Alabama, on 3/10/65. b7c

On 3/11/65, [REDACTED] advised UPI had no
negatives available of any photos taken on 2/10/65 at
Selma or 2/18/65 at Marion.

RE: UNITED PRESS INTERNATIONAL
(UPI) - NEWS FILM,
448 WEST 56TH STREET,
NEW YORK, NEW YORK

[REDACTED] UPI - News
Film, advised on 3/11/65, there was approximately 750
feet of 16 mm film taken of the incidents on 2/10/65,
2/18/65 and 3/7/65.

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On 3/12/65, a copy of this film was made available by [REDACTED]

He advised the photographers taking the bulk of this material were [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]. He stated [REDACTED] was in charge of the service's activities in Alabama and would know if other photographers had taken any of the film. b7c

The film was not reviewed at the NYO.

This film was sent directly to the Montgomery RA on 3/12/65, through arrangements made with Delta Airlines and the Atlanta Division.

RE: THE ASSOCIATED PRESS (AP)
(WIDE WORLD PHOTOS),
50 ROCKEFELLER PLAZA,
NEW YORK, NEW YORK

[REDACTED] Wide World Photos, and [REDACTED] AP, made available on 3/10/65, negatives of photographs taken at Selma on 2/10/65 and 3/7/65, together with negatives of photographs of newsman, RICHARD VALERIANI, in the hospital on 2/19/65. No photographs are available of the incident at Marion, Alabama, on 2/18/65, in which VALERIANI was injured. b7c

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One hundred thirty four (134) 8" x 10" enlargements of these negatives were prepared by the Photographic Laboratory of the NYO on 3/10/65. Eleven (11) of these photos are of the incident on 2/10/65; 111 of the incident of 3/7/65; and 12 are photos of VALERIANI in the hospital.

[redacted] advised these photographs were taken by [redacted] and [redacted] both of AP, Atlanta, and [redacted] AP, Memphis. [redacted] advised that all of these photographers were then on duty at Selma and/or Montgomery covering the current activities.

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RE: ABC - TV NEWS,
NEW YORK, NEW YORK

On 3/10/65 [redacted] ABC - TV News, advised there was a substantial amount of film, approximately 1,500 feet, which had been taken by photographers of the incident at Selma on 3/7/65. He advised, however, that this could not be released without authority of the network's Legal Division.

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MARTIN RUBENSTEIN, Attorney, advised on 3/10/65, the network was reluctant to release this film because of its possible use in court without the issuance of a subpoena.

Mr. RUBENSTEIN was advised this would be communicated to the Attorneys of the CRD, USDJ, to determine what action would be taken to obtain this film.

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In accordance with instructions issued by the Bureau, no further action was taken to obtain this film pending contact with the network by the CRD, USDJ.

On the evening of 3/10/65, through arrangements made between Mr. D. ROBERT OWEN, CRD, USDJ, and Mr. RUBENSTEIN, approximately 1,500 feet of 16 mm film was made available to the NYO.

The photographers taking this film were identified as [redacted] of Washington, D.C., and [redacted] Chicago, Illinois. The soundman assisting in that portion of the film which has a soundtrack was identified as being either [redacted] or [redacted]. It was noted that the portion of the film shot by [redacted] is silent. b7c

All of the personnel involved in the taking of this film were believed by the network to still be in the Selma - Montgomery area.

On 3/11/65, through arrangements made by Mr. OWEN with Mr. RUBENSTEIN, an additional roll of film of approximately 350 feet was made available to the NYO. This film was identified as 16 mm film which was shot by [redacted] of Miami, Florida, at Marion, Alabama, on 2/18/65. b7c

RE: CBS - TV NEWS,
NEW YORK, NEW YORK

[redacted] b7c
CBS - TV, advised on 3/10/65, that films of the incidents on 2/10/65 and 3/7/65 were available, but that these could not be released, in that it was indicated each would be used in court, without permission of the Legal Division.

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Mr. RICHARD SALANT, Legal Division, CBS - TV, advised on 3/10/65, that the network was reluctant to release film which would be used in court, either at a hearing such as that scheduled on 3/11/65, or as evidence at a trial, without the issuance of a subpoena.

Mr. SALANT was advised that this would be communicated to the Attorneys of the CRD, USDJ, to determine what action would be taken to obtain this film.

In accordance with instructions issued by the Bureau, no further action was taken to obtain this film pending contact with the network by the CRD, USDJ.

On the evening of 3/10/65, through arrangements made between Mr. D. ROBERT OWEN and Mr. SALANT, two rolls of 16 mm film, one of approximately 140 feet of the incident of 3/7/65, and one of 30 feet of the incident of 2/10/65, were made available to Agents of the NYO.

According to information furnished by CBS - TV, the cameramen taking this material were [REDACTED] (CBS) and [REDACTED] a stringer. Both were believed to be, at that time, in the Selma - Montgomery area on assignments in connection with the demonstrations there. The soundmen were identified as [REDACTED] of New Orleans and [REDACTED] of Houston, both of whom were still believed to be in Alabama. b7c

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RE: NBC - TV NEWS,
30 ROCKEFELLER PLAZA,
NEW YORK, NEW YORK

[REDACTED] NBC - TV, b7c
advised on 3/10/65, there was film material of the incidents involving the racial demonstrations in Alabama during February and March, 1965, but for use in court, this would have to be obtained through the Legal Division of NBC.

Mr. C. B. DUNHAM, Legal Division, NBC - TV, advised on 3/10/65, that this material would only be made available on the issuance of a subpoena if it was to be used for other than investigative purposes solely by the FBI.

Mr. DUNHAM was advised that this would be communicated to the Attorneys of the CRD, USDJ, to determine what action would be taken to obtain this film.

In accordance with instructions issued by the Bureau, no further action was taken to obtain this film pending contact with the network by the CRD, USDJ.

On the evening of 3/10/65, Mr. DUNHAM advised that through arrangements made with Mr. D. ROBERT OWEN, CRD, USDJ, copies of the film available would be made and would be available to the NYO on 3/11/65.

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On 3/11/65, Mr. DUNHAM made available to Agents of the NYO 150 feet of 16 mm film of the incident at Selma, Alabama, on 3/7/65.

NOTE:

MR. DUNHAM OF NBC, IN RELEASING THIS FILM, REQUESTED THAT THIS COPY BE RETURNED WHEN IT IS NO LONGER NEEDED. THIS ARRANGEMENT APPARENTLY WAS AGREED TO BY MR. D. ROBERT OWEN WHEN FILM REQUESTED.

RE: SHIPMENT OF PHOTOS AND
FILM TO MOBILE DIVISION

On the evening of 3/10/64, SA [REDACTED] b7c
[REDACTED] of the NYO transported to the Montgomery RA the photographs obtained from UPI and AP, together with the film obtained from ABC - TV and CBS - TV on 3/10/65.

On 3/11/65, through arrangements made with Delta Airlines and the Atlanta Division, copies of additional film received from ABC - TV and NBC - TV on 3/11/65 were furnished to the Montgomery RA.

On 3/12/65, the film received from UPI - News Film on that date was transmitted to the Montgomery RA through arrangements with Delta Airlines and the Atlanta Division.

NY 44-1108

RE: THE ASSOCIATED PRESS (AP)
(WIDE WORLD PHOTO),
50 ROCKEFELLER PLAZA,
NEW YORK, NEW YORK

In response to the Bureau's request on 3/12/65, [REDACTED] AP, was contacted concerning the availability of the negatives which had been previously furnished to this office for reproduction on 3/10/65. b7c

[REDACTED] advised the negatives had been transmitted to AP, Paris on 3/11/65, and were not then available. He advised the negatives would be returned in the ordinary course of business about the middle of the week starting 3/15/65, and that arrangements could be made after that time for their use. He suggested that if it were necessary to have them about mid-week, he be notified in order that he might communicate with Paris to effect their speedy return when their use was completed there.

In contact with SA [REDACTED] Selma RA, on 3/13/65, the above was furnished for the attention of Inspector SULLIVAN. No action is being taken by the NYO pending a request. b7c

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TO SAC MOBILE (SELMA)
FROM DIRECTOR FBI

2 - [REDACTED] b7c

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS, DALLAS COUNTY, ALABAMA, VOTING
DISCRIMINATION. CIVIL RIGHTS DASH ELECTION LAWS.

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BOSTON HAS ADVISED THAT INFORMATION RECEIVED FROM A SOURCE OF THAT DIVISION, THAT TWO BUS LOADS OF INDIVIDUALS DEPARTED BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS, FOR SELMA, ALABAMA, EVENING OF THREE, SIXTEEN, SIXTYFIVE TO PARTICIPATE IN DEMONSTRATIONS. ADVISE APPROPRIATE LOCAL, STATE AND MILITARY AUTHORITIES. INSURE THAT YOU HAVE SUFFICIENT PERSONNEL AVAILABLE TO AFFORD APPROPRIATE COVERAGE TO ANY PROPOSED DEMONSTRATIONS.

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1 - MOBILE (AIRMAIL)

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MAIL ROOM TELETYPE UNIT

3/17/65

Airtel

To: SAC, Birmingham (157-384)
Mobile

From: Director, FBI (44-12831)

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS,
DALLAS COUNTY, ALABAMA,
VOTING DISCRIMINATION
CIVIL RIGHTS ELECTION LAWS

1 - [redacted] b7c

Re Birmingham airtel and enclosed letterhead memorandum dated 3/12/65.

By return mail advise of the action your office took in reference to the last paragraph of page two of letterhead memorandum concerning the two anonymous telephone calls received by [redacted]

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If not already done, insure that appropriate local authorities and the Governor's office are advised of this threat.

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[redacted]

(6) NOTE: Birmingham Division submitted a letterhead memorandum concerning the plans of Martin Luther King from sources within their Division. They also advise that [redacted] received two anonymous telephone calls in the nature of offering uncertain information regarding the situation in Selma. One of the anonymous telephone callers said, "8 bombs are planted where the Governor is likely to be. If Martin Luther King is hurt tomorrow, we will put out his life," referring to Governor George C. Wallace. According to [redacted] this caller added, "We want to serve notice with papers so the public would know," after which the caller hung up the telephone.

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URGENT TELETYPE RDO

FBI BOSTON

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TO: DIRECTOR (44-12831) MOBILE (44-557) AND BALTIMORE
FROM: BOSTON (44-NEW)

Mr. Tolson	
Mr. DeLoach	
Mr. Mohr	
Mr. Bishop	
Mr. Casper	
Mr. Callahan	
Mr. Conrad	
Mr. Felt	
Mr. Gale	
Mr. Rosen	
Mr. Sullivan	
Mr. Tavel	
Mr. Trotter	
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Miss Gandy	

SUBJECT: REGISTRATION OF VOTERS, DALLAS COUNTY, ALABAMA,
VOTING DISCRIMINATION. CR - EL.

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RE BS TEL TO DIRECTOR AND MOBILE THREE FOURTEEN SIXTYFIVE.

[REDACTED] INTERVIEWED THREE FOURTEEN SIXTYFIVE. HE ADVISED THERE WAS NO VIOLENCE AND NO THREATS AGAINST ANYONES LIVES. NO DISPLAY OF FIREARMS ALTHOUGH TWO SHOTGUNS OR CARBINES WERE OBSERVED BETWEEN TWO MEN. BUTTS OF GUNS ON FLOOR AND BARRELS FACING UPWARD.

FROM DISTANCE OF SEVENTYFIVE FEET ONE UNSUB SHOUTED OBSCENITIES AND AT ONE HUNDRED TWENTYFIVE FEET DRIVER OPENED DOOR AND ALSO SHOUTED OBSCENITIES.

LHM WILL BE FORWARDED.

BUREAU ADVISE BOSTON IF OTHER WITNESSES IN PARTY SHOULD BE INTERVIEWED.

END AND ACK PLS

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D. B. Gately
R. W. Gately
7:30 p.m. 3/13/65
SA [redacted]
3/13/65

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SA [redacted] advised telephonically to leave SAC, BA send Tel to BS and Satel Bureau MO.

FBI BALTO

507PM EST URGENT 3-13-65 FJM

TO DIRECTOR (44-12331) AND MOBILE (44-557)

FROM BALTIMORE (44-NEW)

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REGISTRATION OF VOTERS, DALLAS COUNTY ALABAMA, VOTING DISCRIMINATION,

CR DASH EL.

RE CHICAGO TEL TO BUREAU, MOBILE AND BALTO. THREE THIRTEEN SIXTY-

FIVE.

[redacted] DELAWARE TODAY ADVISED HE WAS ONE OF A GROUP OF TEN MINISTERS WHICH INCLUDED TWO NEGROES WHO PARTICIPATED IN PROPOSED MARCH WITH MARTIN LUTHER KING AT SELMA, ALABAMA, MARCH NINE LAST. WHILE THIS GROUP WAITED FOR CHARTERED PLANES AT SELMA AIRPORT, TWO YOUNG WHITE MEN OPERATING OLD MODEL BUICK SEDAN, COLOR AND LICENSE UNKNOWN DROVE PAST AIRPORT AND WITHIN FIVE MINUTES RETURNED DROVE INTO DRIVEWAY OF AIRFIELD AND SHOUTED OBSCENITIES AT THE GROUP. TWO RIFLES OBSERVED BY [redacted] IN FRONT SEAT OF CAR BETWEEN OCCUPANTS APPARENTLY BUTTED AGAINST FLOOR WITH BARRELS EXTENDING ABOVE BACK OF FRONT SEAT.

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cc: [redacted]

Mr. Tolson	_____
Mr. E. A. Tamm	_____
Mr. Clegg	_____
Mr. Glavin	_____
Mr. Ladd	_____
Mr. Nichols	_____
Mr. Rosen	_____
Mr. Tracy	_____
Mr. Harbo	_____
Mr. Mohr	_____
Mr. Winterrowd	_____
Tele. Room	_____
Miss Gandy	_____

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AT ABOUT TWENTY-FIVE YARDS FROM THE GROUP CAR STOPPED, OCCUPANTS GOT OUT ,CROUCHED AND STARED AT GROUP APPROXIMATELY ONE MINUTE, THEN GOT INTO CAR AND LEFT IN DIRECTION OF SELMA. AS CAR LEFT FURTHER OBSCENITIES SHOUTED AT THE GROUP.

[REDACTED]
BOSTON, MASS. WAS MEMBER OF GROUP AND REPORTEDLY HAS NAMES OF ALL MEMBERS [REDACTED] STATED HE HEARD THESE MEN VOICE A GENERAL THREAT TO KILL, BUT [REDACTED] DID NOT HEAR THIS THREAT. GUNS WERE NOT POINTED AT ANY MEMBER OF THE GROUP.

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LHM FOLLOWS.

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FBI BALTO

836PM EST URGENT 3-13-65 FJM

TO DIRECTOR(44-12831), MOBILE (44-557) AND BOSTON.
FROM BALTIMORE (44-NEW)

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REGISTRATION OF VOTERS, DALLAS COUNTY, ALABAMA, VOTING DISCRIMINATION,
CR DASH EL.

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RE CHICAGO TEL TO BUREAU, MOBILE AND BALTO. THREE THIRTEEN INSTANT
AND BALTO. TEL TO BUREAU AND MOBILE THREE THIRTEEN INSTANT AND
BUREAU PHONE CALL TO BALTO. THREE THIRTEEN INSTANT.

FOR INFORMATION BOSTON REFERENCED TELS READS AS FOLLOW:

QUOTE: [REDACTED] SELMA, ALABAMA,
ADVISED MARCH THIRTEEN INSTANT THAT A NUMBER OF PRIESTS FROM CHICAGO,
ILL. WERE PREPARING TO LEAVE SELMA FOR CHICAGO AFTER ATTENDING RACIAL
DEMONSTRATION SELMA. WHILE WAITING FOR CHARTERED PLANE AT SEL FIELD,
MUNICIPAL AIRPORT, SELMA, A GROUP OF INDIVIDUALS APPEARED WEARING
GUNS AND ALLEGEDLY WAIVED GUNS AT BOARDING PERSONS. [REDACTED] ADVISED
INDIVIDUAL THAT WOULD KNOW IDENTITY OF PRIESTS WOULD BE [REDACTED] MAR 18 1965

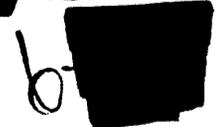
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ENQUOTE. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] CHICAGO, ILL. ADVISED MARCH THIRTEEN
INSTANT TO HIS KNOWLEDGE NO CHICAGO PRIESTS INVOLVED, HOWEVER [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] DELAWARE

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WOULD KNOW PARTICULARS, SINCE HE WAS DIRECTLY INVOLVED.

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] DEL. TODAY ADVISED THAT WHILE WAITING FOR
CHARTERED PLANES AT SELMA AIRPORT, TWO YOUNG WHITE MEN OPERATING
OLD MODEL BUICK SEDAN, COLOR AND LICENSE UNKNOWN, DROVE PAST AND
WITHIN FIVE MINUTES RETURNED TO DRIVEWAY OF AIRFIELD AND SHOUTED
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[REDACTED]
BOSTON, MASS., WAS MEMBER OF GROUP AND REPORTEDLY HAS NAMES OF ALL
MEMBERS.

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AT ANY MEMBER OF THE GROUP.

BOSTON INTERVIEW [REDACTED] FOR ALL PARTICULARS.

SUTEL BUREAU AND OFFICE OF ORIGIN, -MOBILE, AND FOLLOW WITH
LHM.

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FBI BOSTON

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10/12 10:00 AM

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RE: BERNARD S. LEE V. CLARENCE M. KELLEY, ET AL.
(U.S.D.C, D.C.) CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 76-1185

SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC)
V. CLARENCE M. KELLY, ET AL (U.S.D.C., D.C.)
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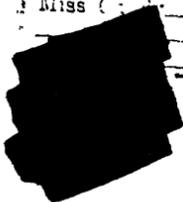
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M. J. [unclear]



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FBI NEW YORK

115 AM EST URGENT 3-17-65 JAA

TO DIRECTOR -1- /44-12831/ AND MOBILE /SELMA/

FROM NEW YORK /44-1108/ 4 P

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS, DALLAS COUNTY, ALABAMA. VOTING DISCRIMINATION, CR-5L.

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RE UPI PHOTO NUMBER S L P O THREE ZERO SEVEN ZERO TWO -----

RE BOSTON TEL MARCH SIXTEEN, SIXTY FIVE, REQUESTING COPIES OF A PHOTOGRAPH WHICH APPEARED IN BOSTON GLOBE, MARCH EIGHT SIXTY FIVE..

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RE UPI PHOTOS OF INCIDENT, MARCH SEVEN SIXTY FIVE, SELMA, ALABAMA -----
I ON MARCH TEN SIXTY FIVE, TWO HUNDRED AND EIGHT, EIGHT BY TEN EN-
LARGEMENTS OF THE PHOTOGRAPHS TAKEN IN SELMA, MARCH SEVEN SIXTY FIVE,
BY UPI PHOTOGRAPHERS AND STRINGERS WERE SUBMITTED TO THE MONTGOMERY
RESIDENT AGENCY.

[REDACTED] UPI-NEWS PHOTO, NYC, ADVISED AGENTS AT TIME NEG-
ATIVES WERE MADE AVAILABLE MARCH TEN, THAT THESE WERE ALL THE NEG-
ATIVES IN POSSESSION OF UPI. NEGATIVES OF ALL UPI PHOTOS ARE SENT TO AND
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RE ASSOCIATED PRESS PHOTOS OF INCIDENT, MARCH SEVEN, SIXTY FIVE, SELMA, ALABAMA -----

RE LOUISVILLE TEL MARCH FIFTEEN LAST, REQUESTING COPIES OF AP PHOTO WHICH APPEARED IN THE LOUISVILLE COURIER-JOURNAL.

[REDACTED] AP, NYC, ADVISED MARCH SIXTEEN SIXTY FIVE ALL NEGATIVES ARE RETAINED NYC, AND PHOTOS ARE DISTRIBUTED TO NEWSPAPERS BY WIRE PHOTO. b7c

INTERESTED OFFICES WERE ADVISED BY NEW YORK AIRTEL, MARCH FOURTEEN LAST ALL NEGATIVES OF AP PHOTOS PRESENTLY AT AP-PARIS AND TO BE RETURNED ABOUT MARCH SEVENTEEN.

CONTACT PRINTS OF ALL PHOTOS DISTRIBUTED TO NEWSPAPERS WILL BE OBTAINED WHEN NEGATIVES RETURNED. THESE WILL BE SUBMITTED FOR COMPARISON WITH PHOTOS PREVIOUSLY SUBMITTED TO MONTGOMERY RESIDENT AGENCY.
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NEWSPAPER AS THE ORIGINAL NEGATIVES WILL BE AT NYC. PENDING.

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TO SACS MOBILE (44-557)
MOBILE(SELMA)
MILWAUKEE

1 - Mr. McGowan

1 - [REDACTED]

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FROM DIRECTOR FBI (44-12831)

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS, DALLAS COUNTY, ALABAMA. VOTING
DISCRIMINATION. CR. EL.

FOR INFO MOBILE AND SELMA, MILWAUKEE BY TELETYPE
MARCH FIFTEEN LAST CAPTIONED QUOTE FREEDOM FLYERS,
MADISON, WISCONSIN, RM UNQUOTE FURNISHED FOLLOWING
INFORMATION.

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Handwritten signatures and initials: "Rosen", "Callahan", "J", "C"

TELETYPE TO MOBILE, (SELMA), MILWAUKEE
RE: REGISTRARS OF VOTERS,
DALLAS COUNTY, ALABAMA

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THE QUOTE WISCONSIN STATE JOURNAL UNQUOTE, A MADISON DAILY
NEWSPAPER, IN ITS MARCH FIFTEEN LAST ISSUE, SET FORTH THAT WIS.
ATTORNEY GENERAL BRONSON LA FOLLETTE HAD BEEN NAMED SECRETARY
TREASURER OF THE COMMITTEE WHICH IS ATTEMPTING TO RAISE FUNDS
FOR THIS FLIGHT.

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MILWAUKEE FOLLOW MATTER CLOSELY AND IMMEDIATELY ADVISE
BUREAU, MOBILE AND SELMA WHEN AND IF GROUP ACTUALLY DEPARTS
FOR SELMA.

SELMA ALERT APPROPRIATE STATE AND LOCAL AUTHORITIES TO
POSSIBILITY OF QUOTE FREEDOM FLYERS UNQUOTE PROCEEDING TO SELMA.
ANY INFORMATION SUBSEQUENTLY DEVELOPED CONFIRMING THAT GROUP
EN ROUTE SELMA SHOULD ALSO BE FURNISHED SUCH AUTHORITIES.

MOBILE INSURE SUFFICIENT MANPOWER AVAILABLE TO HANDLE ANY
DEVELOPMENTS WHICH MAY OCCUR. ALL OFFICES INSURE BUREAU KEPT
FULLY ADVISED OF DEVELOPMENTS.

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TELETYPE 1205

NOTE:

Pertinent information set forth in referenced Milwaukee teletype re possibility of "Freedom Flyers" proceeding to Selma to participate in demonstrations there has been furnished to the Civil Rights Division of the Department. Information in MI teletype furnished only to Bureau necessitating that information be relayed to Selma and Mobile. Necessity for advising interested offices of pertinent information being brought to attention of SAC, MI, by airtel. Teletype felt necessary in view of tense racial situation in Selma and fact that exact time and date of departure of "Freedom Flyers" not known at this time.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-12831)
FROM: SAC, BALTIMORE (44-NEW) - RUC -
SUBJECT: REGISTRATION OF VOTERS,
DALLAS COUNTY, ALABAMA
VOTING DISCRIMINATION
CR-EL
OO: Mobile Election Laws

RE BA teletype to Bureau and Mobile, 3/13/65.

Enclosed for the Bureau is the original and one copy of letterhead memorandum in captioned matter, suitable for dissemination, three copies enclosed for Mobile, one for USA, Mobile.

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17 Special Agent

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ANS [Redacted]
BY [Redacted]

RE: [Redacted]

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3 Mobile (Enc. 3) (Air Mail)
1 - USA, Mobile
1 - Baltimore
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Approved: *[Signature]*
Special Agent in Charge

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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 Baltimore, Maryland

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REGISTRATION OF VOTERS
 DALLAS COUNTY, ALABAMA
 VOTING DISCRIMINATION
 CIVIL RIGHTS - ELECTION LAWS

[REDACTED] Delaware, furnished
 the following signed statement:

[REDACTED] Delaware
 March 13, 1965

"I, [REDACTED] hereby make
 the following statement freely and voluntarily to
 [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] who have
 identified themselves to me as Special Agents of the
 Federal Bureau of Investigation.

"I am [REDACTED] years of age and am employed as [REDACTED]
 [REDACTED] Delaware. I live at [REDACTED]
 [REDACTED] Delaware, telephone [REDACTED]

"On March 9, 1965, I participated in a proposed
 march from Selma, Alabama to Montgomery, Alabama,
 led by Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING. I was one of a group
 of 10 ministers, who had met on a plane to Atlanta,
 and shared two chartered planes from Atlanta, Georgia
 to Selma, Alabama and back to Atlanta, Georgia.

"The group was composed of [REDACTED]
 [REDACTED] Boston, Mass. and 2 other Catholic Priests from Boston,
 Mass; [REDACTED] Delaware; two Episcopalian
 ministers from New Hampshire who are known to [REDACTED]
 [REDACTED] two negro ministers from Philadelphia,
 Pennsylvania and another whose name and affiliation I
 cannot now recall. [REDACTED] has the names of all
 who made up the group.

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"Shortly before 5:00 o'clock, PM, March 9, 1965, this group left Selma, Alabama by taxi and went to the Selma Airfield to await our chartered aircraft. We arrived at the airfield at approximately 5:00 o'clock PM.

"At the airfield, there is a small building, which I believe was the terminal building. This building was locked so we had to wait outside the building.

"At approximately 5:30 o'clock, PM, March 9, 1965, I observed a fairly old Buick sedan, two tone, but I do not know the exact color, drive past the terminal on the main road. The car was occupied by two young white men. These two men looked at our group as they went by.

"Within 5 minutes, this same car, occupied by 2 young white men, came back from the direction I had seen the car go earlier. This time, the car drove off the main highway onto the driveway past the terminal building. I noticed two guns, which I believe were old military rifles, in the car. These guns were between the two occupants of the car, and appeared to be butted against the floor, with the barrels protruding about 6 or 8 inches above the back of the seat.

"The windows of the car were rolled down and as the car drove by, both occupants shouted obscenities at us, including remarks indicating our group was no good, ought to go back where we came from, and if we needed help to go, they would provide that help.

"While still on the driveway, and near the main road, the car was stopped, and both occupants jumped from the car, and crouched, facing our group, for about one minute. The doors to the car were open, and each stood about an arms length from the guns which were inside the car. They made no statements at this time, but just glared at us.

"Both men then got back into the Buick, and quickly left, going in the direction of Selma,

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VOTING DISCRIMINATION

Alabama. As they left one shouted another obscenity at us.

"I have read & initialed this four page statement. It is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

"/s/ [REDACTED]

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Witness:

[REDACTED] SA, FBI, Dover, Del., 3/13/65
[REDACTED] SA, FBI, DOVER, DEL. 3/13/65 "

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[REDACTED] further advised that [REDACTED] remarked after the aforementioned incident, that he had heard one of the two unidentified individuals make a general threat to kill. [REDACTED] said he heard no such threat.

[REDACTED] also stated that he believed [REDACTED] has a list containing the names of all 10 members of the group who were together at Selma, Alabama airport on the evening of March 9, 1965.

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[REDACTED] advised that these two persons did not pick up the guns or point them at anyone at that time.

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AND ITS CONTENTS ARE NOT TO BE DISTRIBUTED
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

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Gale	_____
Rosen	_____
Sullivan	_____
Tavel	_____
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Tele. Room	_____
Holmes	_____
Gandy	_____

TO : Mr. Belmont *alor*

FROM : A. Rosen *Rosen*

SUBJECT: REGISTRARS OF VOTERS OF
DALLAS COUNTY, ALABAMA,
VOTING DISCRIMINATION
CIVIL RIGHTS; ELECTION LAWS

DATE: March 9, 1965

1 - Mr. Mohr

1 - Mr. DeLoach

1 - Mr. Sullivan

1 - Mr. Belmont

1 - Mr. Rosen

1 - Mr. Malley

1 - Mr. McGowan

1 - [REDACTED]

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The Director has inquired, "When will our investigation of Selma alleged brutality be completed?"

Our investigation of the alleged brutality which occurred in connection with the attempted march of Negro demonstrators from Selma to Montgomery on 3/7/65 will be completed today. Mr. John Doar, Acting Assistant Attorney General, Civil Rights Division, on 3/7/65 requested that our investigation include an interview of all those persons allegedly injured in the incident. All interviews have been completed with the exception of one girl who underwent surgery and was unavailable before today. This interview will be completed and the results furnished to Mr. Doar in Selma, Alabama, today for his use in connection with the hearing to be held before U. S. District Judge Thomas 3/11/65.

The suit was filed by Negro Attorney Fred Gray with the Justice Department as an "interested party" against Governor Wallace, Alabama Public Safety Director Al Lingo and Dallas County Sheriff James Clark to enjoin them from interfering with the Negroes' efforts to march from Selma to Montgomery, Alabama.

ACTION:

For information.

(9) [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] *Doar*

*Send memo to
A. G. & Deputy*

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*Letter to AG & Deputy JAG
3/10/65*

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The Attorney General

- 1 - Mr. Mohr
- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Sullivan
- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. Rosen
- 1 - Mr. Malley
- 1 - Mr. McGowan
- 1 - [REDACTED]

March 10, 1965

Director, FBI

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 DALLAS COUNTY, ALABAMA
 VOTING DISCRIMINATION
 CIVIL RIGHTS; ELECTION LAWS

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At the request of Mr. John Doar, Acting Assistant Attorney General of the Civil Rights Division, on March 7, 1965, this Bureau instituted a complete investigation of the alleged brutality which occurred in connection with the attempted march of Negro demonstrators from Selma to Montgomery, Alabama, on March 7, 1965. Mr. Doar requested that this investigation include an interview of all those persons allegedly injured in the incident.

As you are aware, Bureau Agents covered all phases of the demonstration by observation and photographed the incident as it occurred. Departmental Attorneys on the scene were kept advised of developments.

The investigation requested by Mr. Doar on March 7, 1965, has been completed with the exception of the interview of one girl who underwent surgery on March 9, 1965, and who, on the orders of her doctor, has not been interviewed to date. The results of our investigation were furnished to Mr. Doar on March 9, 1965, at Selma, Alabama, for his use in connection with a hearing to be held before U. S. District Judge Thomas on March 11, 1965. The additional interview will be conducted as soon as the girl's physical condition permits and the result immediately furnished to Mr. Doar at Selma.

- 1 - The Deputy Attorney General
- 1 - Mr. John Doar
Acting Assistant Attorney General

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- Belmont _____
- Mohr _____
- DeLoach _____
- Casper _____
- Callahan _____
- Conrad _____
- Felt _____
- Gale _____
- Rosen _____
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- Holmes _____
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NOTE: See memo Rosen to Belmont, same caption, dated 3/9/65, [REDACTED]

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-12831)
FROM: SAC, BIRMINGHAM (157-884) (P)

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COUNTY, ALABAMA, VOTING
DISCRIMINATION, CR;EL *EL 02 110 13-17.115*

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Re Birmingham teletype to Bureau, 3-8-65.

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are original and 4 copies of a letterhead memorandum, substance of which is self-explanatory. One copy of this memorandum is furnished for the information of Atlanta. Two copies are furnished to Mobile.

The identity of the source named in letterhead memorandum is [REDACTED]

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Birmingham will report developments to the Bureau and Mobile.

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- 2 - Mobile (Enc. 2) (RM)
- 1 - Atlanta (Info) (Enc. 1) (RM)
- 2 - Birmingham

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
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1400 - 2121 Building
Birmingham, Alabama - 35203
March 12, 1965

Re: REGISTRARS OF VOTERS,
DALLAS COUNTY, ALABAMA,
VOTING DISCRIMINATION

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On March 8, 1965, [REDACTED]

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Alabama, advised he had received two anonymous telephone calls both in the nature of offering uncertain information regarding the situation at Selma, Alabama, on March 3, 1965. He stated during a second call received at 10:45 p.m., this date, he had been informed by a Negro voice that "We have been

casing Governor Wallace for sometime, and know where he moves about". [REDACTED] stated the caller informed him that "8 bombs are planted where the Governor is likely to be. If Martin Luther King is hurt tomorrow, we will put out his life," referring to Governor George C. Wallace. According to [REDACTED] this caller added "We want to serve notice with papers so the public would know", after which the caller hung up the telephone.

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Mr. Tolson	_____
Mr. Belmont	_____
Mr. Mohr	_____
Mr. DeLoach	_____
Mr. Casper	_____
Mr. Callahan	_____
Mr. Conrad	_____
Mr. Felt	_____
Mr. Gale	_____
Mr. Rosen	_____
Mr. Sullivan	_____
Mr. Tavel	_____
Mr. Trotter	_____
Tele. Room	_____
Miss Holmes	_____
Miss Gandy	_____

FBI WASH DC

FBI PHILA

8:18 PM EST URGENT 3/15/65

TO: DIRECTOR AND MOBILE

FROM: PHILADELPHIA *Pa*

McArthur
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] CR

RE BUREAU TEL CALL TO PH MARCH FIFTEEN INSTANT.

PH INDICES NEGATIVE RE [REDACTED]

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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TO Mr. Rosen

DATE: March 15, 1965

FROM C. L. McGowan

- 1 - Mr. Rosen
- 1 - Mr. Malley
- 1 - Mr. McGowan
- 1 - [REDACTED]

SUBJECT

PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA
SITUATION AT SELMA, ALABAMA
CIVIL RIGHTS

Election House Dallas County Alabama

Reference is made to Mr. DeLoach to Mr. Mohr memorandum dated 3/15/65 captioned as above. At the instruction of Section Chief C. L. McGowan Night Supervisor [REDACTED] telephonically contacted Inspector Sullivan in Selma, Alabama. He was advised of information furnished by the White House to Mr. Wick on 3/15/65 and instructed to alert the Selma Police Department concerning [REDACTED] appearance in Selma and statements made by him in the telegram. Sullivan stated this information would be relayed to local authorities in Selma.

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ASAC Murdo J. Smith, Philadelphia Office, was also furnished with the information concerning [REDACTED] and instructed to check Philadelphia indices concerning [REDACTED] and sutel results of the check to Mobile and the Bureau.

The above is being submitted for information purposes.

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From [unclear]

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : MR. TOLSON

DATE: 3/12/65

FROM : A. H. Belmont

cc Mr. Belmont
Mr. J.P. Mohr
Mr. Callahan
Mr. Rosen
Mr. McGowan

SUBJECT: REGISTRAR OF VOTERS
Dallas County, Alabama
VOTING DISCRIMINATION
CIVIL RIGHTS ELECTION LAWS

Tolson	✓
Belmont	✓
Mohr	✓
DeLoach	✓
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Callahan	✓
Conrad	✓
Felt	✓
Gale	✓
Rosen	✓
Sullivan	✓
Tavel	✓
Trotter	✓
Tele. Room	✓
Holmes	✓
Gandy	✓

At 10:10 a.m. today I called Inspector Joseph Sullivan at Meridian, Mississippi and instructed him to proceed immediately to Selma, Alabama for the purpose of taking charge of the investigations of Civil Rights matters there. Inspector Sullivan said he would leave promptly, arriving at Selma later today, and would call me upon arrival.

I told Sullivan that there are two main cases at present and we want him to take hold of them hard and run an aggressive investigation to come up with the necessary evidence and witnesses for prosecution. I told him the Director has advised the AG that Sullivan is going to Selma.

The first matter concerns the march in Selma on Sunday, 3/7, which was brutally broken up by Alabama State Highway Officers and Sheriff Clarke's posse. Agents observed the demonstrations, took photographs, and have been continuing to observe activities in Selma on a current basis. The AG stated at a press conference yesterday that the FBI had identified many of these police officers who broke up the march. However, the facts are that our agents have been tied up in constant observation and developing information for the hearing before Judge Johnson yesterday, and because of gas masks used by the officers the identifications have not as yet been made. It is imperative that this be pursued through the examination of photographs taken by the Bureau, by the press media, by witnesses, by victims, and by interview of the officers.

I told Sullivan the Department has sent through a request for specific investigation, which we will send to Selma, but it should be thoroughly understood that we are running the investigation and it is our responsibility to run a thorough investigation, encompassing all necessary aspects to develop the evidence for prosecution, as the AG has indicated the Government will proceed with prosecution.

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MEMO TO: MR. TOLSON
RE: REGISTRAR OF VOTERS
DALLAS COUNTY, ALABAMA

As to the second case, involving the attack on the three ministers, I brought Sullivan up to date on what had happened and told him the Department has likewise requested certain additional investigation which we will send down to Selma. Here again, the investigation is our responsibility and should not be limited to any the Department has requested, and we should conduct a thorough investigation to develop the necessary evidence.

I told Sullivan that Assistant Attorney General Doar and his attorneys are in Selma and that while it is necessary to get along amicably with them, it must be thoroughly understood that we are running the investigation. I told him that apparently because of the pressure of time, Doar had been allowed to look at Agents' notes of their interviews and rough drafts and that this is improper as misunderstandings can arise. Material should be turned over promptly to Doar but it should be on official form and must also be sent in immediately to the Bureau.

I told Sullivan that we are sending 16 additional Agents into Selma with cars, etc., and if he need more stenographers, or more Agents or more equipment, he is to call me and so advise. I told him that SAC Dalness had not wanted a direct phone but if he finds a direct phone is necessary, he should call the Bureau. I reiterated that his dealings with Doar and the attorneys should be amicable but the Bureau is in control of the investigation.

I told Sullivan that we want the same type of job he did in Philadelphia, namely, to develop sources who can tell us what is going on within the Klan and the rabble elements who are responsible for violence, and that he should stress the development of such sources. I told him in the investigation of the attack on the marchers last Sunday, he should pay particular attention to Sheriff Clark and his posse because of their continual resort to violence.

I told Sullivan it is imperative that the Bureau be kept advised of developments inasmuch as the Director must be in the position of advising the White House and the Attorney General

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RE: REGISTRAR OF VOTERS
DALLAS COUNTY, ALABAMA

and answer any questions that may come up as to Bureau activities. Sullivan said he understood, he would depart immediately for Selma and would keep in touch with the Bureau.

I called SAC Dalness in Selma and told him Sullivan was taking over the investigation; that Dalness should bring Sullivan up to date and work closely with him.

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SUBJECT: ^{CR} REGISTRARS OF VOTERS
DALLAS COUNTY, ALABAMA
VOTING DISCRIMINATION
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Enclosed herewith to the Bureau is one copy each of the following documents which were received from the Clerk of U. S. District Court, Montgomery, Alabama, in the matter entitled HOSEA WILLIAMS, ET AL VS. GEORGE C. WALLACE, ET AL, Civil Action 2181-N:

1. Complaint
2. Motion for Temporary Restraining Order
3. Motion for Preliminary Injunction
4. Order Denying Motion for Temporary Restraining Order and Setting Cause for Hearing on Motion for Preliminary Injunction.

Also enclosed for the Bureau is one copy each of the following documents, which were obtained from the U. S. District Court Clerk, Montgomery, Alabama, in the same captioned matter, which were filed in court 3/9 and 10/65:

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1. Motion to Dissolve Temporary Restraining Order
2. Order Dissolving Temporary Restraining Order
3. Complaint in Intervention filed by the U. S. Government
4. Order granting the motion of U. S. Government to intervene, and setting the hearing for 3/11/65.

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE
MIDDLE DISTRICT OF ALABAMA
NORTHERN DIVISION

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ROSEA WILLIAMS, JOHN LEWIS
and AMELIA BOYNTON, on behalf
of themselves and others
similarly situated,

Plaintiffs,

vs.

CIVIL ACTION NO. 2181-N

HONORABLE GEORGE C. WALLACE,
as Governor of the State of
Alabama; AL LINCO, as Director
of Public Safety for the State
of Alabama; and JAMES G. CLARK,
as Sheriff of Dallas County,
Alabama,

Defendants.

MOTION TO DISSOLVE TEMPORARY RESTRAINING ORDER

Now come the plaintiffs in the above entitled cause by and through their Attorneys of Record, and move the court to dissolve the Temporary Restraining Order heretofore filed in this cause whereby the plaintiffs and other members of their class were enjoined and restrained from attempting to march from Selma, Alabama to Montgomery, Alabama; and as grounds for said motion assign the following:

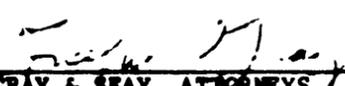
1. That this court lacked jurisdiction to enter said order.
2. That said order violates plaintiffs right to freedom of speech, freedom of assembly to petition the government for redress of grievances, and other rights secured by the First Amendment to the United States Constitution.

3. That said order violates Article 3, Section 2 of the Constitution of the United States of America with respect to the plaintiffs efforts to march, in that there is no case or controversy and no such relief had been requested by the defendants.

4. That said Temporary Restraining Order violates the rights of the plaintiffs and the class which they represent to due process of law as provided by the Fifth Amendment to the United States Constitution.

WHEREFORE plaintiffs pray that said Temporary Restraining Order be dissolved.

Respectfully submitted,


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situated,)
Plaintiffs,)

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Governor of the State of Alabama;)
AL LINDO, as Director of Public)
Safety for the State of Alabama;)
and JAMES G. CLARK, as Sheriff of)
Dallas County, Alabama,)
Defendants.)

ORDER

It is ORDERED that the motion to dissolve the temporary restrain-
ing order of this Court, said motion having been filed with this Court at 2:30
p.m. on this date, be and the same is hereby set for submission at 9 a.m.,

Thursday, March 11, 1965.

Done, this the 9th day of March, 1965.


UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE

MIDDLE DISTRICT OF ALABAMA

NORTHERN DIVISION

HOSEA WILLIAMS, ET AL.,)
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 Plaintiffs,)
)
 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,)
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 Plaintiff-Intervenor,)
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 v.)
)
 GEORGE C. WALLACE, ET AL.,)
)
 Defendants.)

CIVIL ACTION NO. 2181-N

COMPLAINT IN
INTERVENTION

The United States of America, intervenor herein,
alleges as a claim against the defendants:

1. This is a complaint in intervention filed
by the Attorney General pursuant to the order of this
Court designating the United States as a party and
pursuant to the provisions of Section 903 of the
Civil Rights Act of 1964.

2. On March 8, 1965, the plaintiffs filed
their complaint in this case under 28 U.S.C. 1343(3)

and (4), for relief against alleged conduct of the defendants George C. Wallace, Albert J. Lingo, and James G. Clark, Jr., in violation of 42 U.S.C. 1971(a) and (b), 42 U.S.C. 1981, and 42 U.S.C. 1983.

3. The Attorney General has certified that this case is of general public importance and his certificate is attached to this complaint in intervention.

4. George C. Wallace is the Governor and Chief Executive Officer of the State of Alabama; in such capacity he is charged with the faithful execution of the laws of the State of Alabama; in such capacity he controls and supervises the defendant Albert J. Lingo, Director of the Department of Public Safety; and in such capacity he controls and directs the activities of the Alabama Highway Patrol. He resides in Montgomery, Alabama.

5. Albert J. Lingo is the Director of the Department of Public Safety of the State of Alabama. As such, he is the head of the Alabama Highway Patrol. He resides in Montgomery, Alabama, and has been Director of the Department of Public Safety at all times referred to in this complaint.

6. James G. Clark, Jr., is the Sheriff of Dallas County, Alabama, and, as such, is authorized

to enforce the laws of Alabama within Dallas County. He resides in Dallas County. He has been Sheriff of Dallas County since November 1955. The law enforcement officers (hereinafter referred to as officers) under Clark's command are his deputies and the Dallas County Sheriff's Posse. The deputies are full-time, trained law enforcement officers and the posse members are part-time volunteers.

7. Under Alabama law, registration is a prerequisite to voting in any election.

8. In several counties in central Alabama, including Dallas and Perry Counties, fewer than 10% of the Negroes of voting age are registered to vote. For the purpose of obtaining better political representation for Negroes in these counties the Negro communities, through local and national organizations, have conducted voter registration drives in recent years. The voter registration drives in Dallas, Perry, and other central Alabama counties have been intensified during 1965.

9. Public demonstrations have been held in connection with the voter registration drives referred to in the preceding paragraph. The purpose of the demonstrations has been to encourage Negroes to attempt to register to vote and to protest discriminatory voter registration practices in Alabama. The demonstrations have been peaceful.

10. On February 10, 1965, at about 2:30 p.m., approximately 160 Negro youths lined up in a quiet and orderly fashion on two sides of the Dallas County Courthouse in Selma, Alabama. They had assembled to protest against the discriminatory treatment of Negroes attempting to register to vote, and to urge qualified Negro adults to attempt to register. They carried signs to express their purpose.

11. At about 2:45 p.m. on February 10, 1965, the defendant Clark, knowing of the purpose of the demonstration described in the preceding paragraph, forced the demonstrators to march through the City of Selma and out into the countryside. Deputies and members of the Sheriff's posse, accompanying the line of march on foot and in Sheriff's Department automobiles moving behind, alongside, and in front of the group, forced the youths to move at a rapid and frequently running pace. The officers used electric shocking devices and night sticks to prod the demonstrators. After the demonstrators had been forced to march over two miles, the children broke away and ran towards farmhouses and into the fields off to the side of the road. Some of the Sheriff's men pursued the children and attempted to force them to resume the march. After a short time all the Sheriff's men

returned to their cars and drove back to Selma, leaving the children scattered in the fields and around the farmhouses.

12. On February 18, 1965, approximately 300 Negroes met at the Zion Methodist Church in Marion, Alabama. At about 9:30 p.m., the Negroes began leaving the church in an orderly and peaceful manner and proceeded toward the Perry County Jail and the Perry County Courthouse for the purpose of publicly protesting racially discriminatory voter registration practices in Perry County and the recent arrest of a Negro participant in the voter registration drive. When the Negroes had gone about half a block they were ordered to stop by local law enforcement officials. The Negroes stopped. They were then ordered to disperse.

13. Knowing of the purpose of the demonstration referred to in the preceding paragraph, State Troopers under the command of defendant Lingo, without lawful justification, pushed, prodded, struck, beat and knocked down members of the group of Negroes described in the preceding paragraph when the group failed to disperse immediately. The action of the State Troopers resulted in the injury of approximately twenty Negroes.

14. During the events described in the preceding paragraph, newsmen were observing and recording the activities of the State Troopers. Certain white

individuals assaulted and beat the newsmen and destroyed some of their equipment. State Troopers under the command of defendant Lingo were in a position to protect the newsmen and to arrest their assailants, but they wilfully failed to do so.

15. On March 7, 1965, approximately 500 Negroes left a church in Selma, Alabama, for the purpose of walking to Montgomery, Alabama, to present to defendant Wallace grievances concerning the voter registration process and restrictions on public demonstrations. The Negroes proceeded in an orderly and peaceful fashion to a bridge near the south edge of the City of Selma on the highway that leads to Montgomery. They proceeded on a sidewalk across the bridge, then continued walking on a grassy strip alongside the highway to Montgomery until confronted by a detachment of State Troopers at a point approximately 200 yards from the bridge. The Negroes had observed all traffic laws and other pertinent regulations and had not interfered with traffic in any manner. They were orderly and quiet.

16. Upon the failure of the Negroes to disperse, as described in the preceding paragraph, State Troopers and members of the Dallas County posse moved against the Negroes. The State Troopers and posse members at

this time were acting under the direction and control of the defendants, who then knew of the plans and purpose of the Negroes in seeking to walk to Montgomery. Troopers equipped with tear gas and gas masks, as well as night sticks, advanced on the Negroes. Posse members mounted on horseback supported the Troopers. Approximately twenty cannisters of tear gas were fired at the Negroes by the Troopers. Troopers and posse members then prodded, struck, beat and knocked down members of the group of Negroes. Approximately sixty of the Negroes were injured.

17. The acts and conduct of the defendants, as herein described, have not been directed toward enforcing any valid law of the State of Alabama, or to furthering any legitimate policy of the State or of its political subdivisions, but have been for the purpose, and have had the effect, of preventing and discouraging Negroes from exercising their full rights of citizenship.

18. By their acts and conduct herein described, the defendants have intimidated, threatened, coerced, and have attempted to intimidate, threaten and coerce, Negro citizens of Alabama for the purpose of interfering with the right of such citizens to vote for candidates in any election held in Alabama.

19. The acts and conduct of the defendants and of their officers and agents, as herein described, deny Negro citizens of Alabama the equal protection of the laws under the Fourteenth Amendment to the Constitution on account of their race and color, and violate sections 1971(a) and 1971(b) of Title 42 of the United States Code.

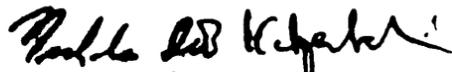
WHEREFORE, the plaintiff-intervenor prays that this Court enter an order enjoining George C. Wallace, Albert Lingo, and James Clark, together with their agents, employees, successors in office, and all those in active concert or participation with them from:

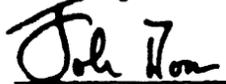
- (a) Intimidating, threatening, or coercing or attempting to intimidate, threaten, or coerce any other person for the purpose of interfering with his right to register to vote;
- (b) Interfering with lawful, peaceable demonstrations on behalf of the rights of Negroes by attempting forceably to disperse the demonstrators or seeking to impose unreasonable conditions on the demonstrators;
- (c) Using unreasonable force or threatening without just cause to use any force, in

the performance of law enforcement functions, against persons known to the defendants to be exercising, seeking to exercise or to have exercised the right to vote or to be demonstrating or seeking to demonstrate on behalf of the rights of Negroes:

- (d) Summarily punishing, by striking, beating, tear gassing or other means, any person for his participation in a demonstration on behalf of the rights of Negroes.
- (e) Failing to provide ordinary police protection to persons attempting to exercise the right to vote or to demonstrate lawfully on behalf of the rights of Negroes.

Plaintiff further prays for its cost of suit and for such other relief as the interest of justice may require.


NICHOLAS DeB. KATZENBACH
Attorney General


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Acting Assistant Attorney General

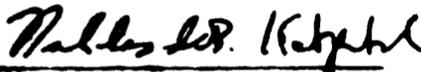

BEN HARDEMAN
United States Attorney

CERTIFICATE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL
OF THE UNITED STATES

NICHOLAS DeB. KATZENBACH, Attorney General of
the United States, certifies that, in his judgment,
the case of Hopew Williams, et al. v. George C. Wallace,
et al., Civil Action Number 2181-N, which has been
commenced in the United States District Court for the
Middle District of Alabama, Northern Division, seeking
relief from alleged denials of equal protection of the
laws under the Fourteenth Amendment to the Constitution
on account of race and color, is of general public
importance.

This certification is made pursuant to the pro-
visions of Section 902 of the Civil Rights Act of 1964.

Signed this 9th day of March, 1965.


NICHOLAS DeB. KATZENBACH
Attorney General

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE MIDDLE
DISTRICT OF ALABAMA, NORTHERN DIVISION

MOSEA WILLIAMS, JOHN LEWIS
and AMELIA BOYNTON, on behalf
of themselves and others
similarly situated,

Plaintiffs,

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff-Intervenor,

vs.

HONORABLE GEORGE C. WALLACE, as
Governor of the State of Alabama,
AL LINGO, as Director of Public
Safety for the State of Alabama,
and JAMES G. CLARK, as Sheriff of
Dallas County, Alabama,

Defendants.

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CIVIL ACTION NO. 2151-N

ORDER

The motion of the United States, presented to this Court on this date, seeking to intervene as a plaintiff, is now submitted. Upon consideration of the complaint in intervention as filed by the United States in this cause, it appears that the issues presently for determination between the plaintiffs and the defendants are not enlarged or substantially changed by the complaint in intervention of the United States, and there does not appear to be any reason why the complaint in intervention should not be filed and a hearing heard thereon at the same time as the hearing originally scheduled in this case commencing at 9 a.m., March 11, 1965.

In consideration of the foregoing and for good cause, it is the ORDER, JUDGMENT and DECREE of this Court that the motion of the United States seeking leave to intervene in this cause be and the same is hereby granted. It is the further ORDER, JUDGMENT and DECREE of this Court that the hearing upon the issues involved in the complaint in intervention be set commencing at 9 a.m., March 11, 1965.

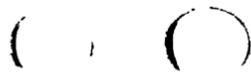
It is further ORDERED that the United States Marshal for this district serve upon the defendants copies of the complaint in intervention as filed herein, together with a copy of this order.

It is further ORDERED that copies of the complaint in intervention

be served upon the attorneys for the plaintiffs.

Done, this the 10th day of March, 1953.

[Signature]
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE



IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF ALABAMA
NORTHERN DIVISION

MOSEA WILLIAMS, JOHN LEWIS AND
AMELIA BOYNTON, ON BEHALF OF
THEMSELVES AND OTHERS SIMILARLY
SITUATED,

PLAINTIFFS,

VS.

HONORABLE GEORGE W. WALLACE, AS
GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF ALABAMA;
AL LINGO, AS DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC
SAFETY FOR THE STATE OF ALABAMA;
AND JAMES G. CLARK, AS SHERIFF OF
DALLAS COUNTY, ALABAMA,

DEFENDANTS.

CIVIL ACTION

NO. _____

MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION

PLAINTIFFS, UPON THEIR VERIFIED COMPLAINT FILED HEREIN MOVE THE COURT TO GRANT A PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION HEREIN AGAINST DEFENDANTS AND ALL OTHER PERSONS UNDER THEIR DIRECTION AND AUTHORITY, INCLUDING AGENTS, SUBORDINATES, EMPLOYEES, ATTORNEYS, SUCCESSORS AND ALL PERSONS ACTING IN CONCERT WITH THEM PENDING THE FINAL DETERMINATION OF THIS ACTION AND UNTIL THE FINAL ORDER OF THIS COURT, ENJOINING THEM FROM TAKING ANY ACTION TO INTERFERE WITH THE PLAINTIFFS' OF PEACEFUL NON-VIOLENT EFFORT IN BEHALF OF NEGRO-VOTER REGISTRATION IN ALABAMA AND CONSTITUTIONALLY PROTECTED RIGHT TO PEACEFULLY WALK ALONG THE PUBLIC HIGHWAYS OF THE STATE OF ALABAMA AND TO TAKE APPROPRIATE MEASURES TO PROTECT AND GUARANTEE PLAINTIFFS' AFORESAID CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS ON THE GROUND THAT UNLESS RESTRAINED BY THIS COURT, DEFENDANTS WILL CONTINUE TO DEPRIVE PLAINTIFFS OF THEIR CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS WITH RESULTANT IMMEDIATE IRREPARABLE INJURY, LOSS AND DAMAGE TO PLAINTIFFS AND MEMBERS OF THE CLASS THEY REPRESENT DURING THE PENDENCY OF THIS ACTION AS MORE FULLY APPEARS FROM THE COMPLAINT HEREIN.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED

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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF ALABAMA
NORTHERN DIVISION

HOSEA WILLIAMS, JOHN LEWIS, *
and AMELIA BOYNTON, on behalf *
of themselves and all others *
similarly situated, *

Plaintiffs, *

V.

CIVIL ACTION

HONORABLE GEORGE C. WALLACE, *
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of PUBLIC SAFETY of the State *
of Alabama; and JAMES G. CLARK, *
JR., as Sheriff of Dallas County, *
Alabama, *

NO. 2181-N

Defendants. *

MOTION FOR TEMPORARY RESTRAINING ORDER

Plaintiffs, and members of the class they represent, based on the allegations contained in their verified complaint attached hereto, respectfully move this court for a temporary restraining order, without notice, enjoining defendants, their agents, employees successors, and those in active concert and participation with them, from enforcing and giving effect to defendants' stated intentions of preventing plaintiffs from exercising their constitutionally protected right to peacefully walk along the public highways of the State of Alabama, by harassing, beating, terrorizing, or otherwise interfering with plaintiffs in the exercise of their aforesaid constitutionally protected right.

Plaintiffs and other members of the class which they represent, are planning to attempt another march on Tuesday, March 9, 1965, from Selma, Alabama, to Montgomery, Alabama for the purpose of soliciting the aid and assistance of the

defendant , The Honorable George C. Wallace, Governor of
the State of Alabama, in their efforts to get qualified
Negroes in Alabama registered to vote

Plaintiffs, on behalf of themselves and other members
of the class they represent, further show unto the Court
that unless immediately restrained by this Court, defendants
will continue the acts and practices complained of in the
verified complaint attached hereto, and irreparable injury
will result before notice can be served and a hearing can be
had.

WHEREFORE, plaintiffs, on their behalf and on behalf
of others similarly situated, respectfully pray that the
court issue a temporary restraining order without notice
restraining defendants, their agents, servants, employees,
successors and those in active concert and participation with
of peaceful non-violent effort in behalf of Negro registration and
them from interfering in any way with plaintiffs' right to
peacefully walk along the highways of the State of Alabama,
and from failing and refusing to provide protection for
plaintiffs and members of the class they represent, in the
exercise of their constitutionally protected right to walk
alongside the public highways of the State of Alabama.

Respectfully Submitted,

Doris J. Hall
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Birmingham, Ala

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF ALABAMA
NORTHERN DIVISION

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and JAMES G. CLARK, as
Sheriff of Dallas County, Alabama,

Defendants.

CIVIL ACTION

NO. 2181-N

COMPLAINT

This court has jurisdiction pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §1343(3) and (4). The action is authorized by 42 U.S.C. §1971(a) and (b) as amended and 42 U.S.C. §§1981 and 1983. This action seeks relief from the denial of equal protection of the laws under the Fourteenth Amendment to the Constitution on account of race or color and to redress deprivation of rights, privileges and immunities guaranteed by the First, Fourteenth and Fifteenth Amendments to the Constitution of the United States as implemented by the aforesaid Congressional Statutes.

II

The named plaintiffs bring this action on behalf of themselves and all other persons similarly situated pursuant to

Rule 23(a)(3) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure. The classes represented by plaintiffs are so numerous as to make it impracticable to bring individually before this court all the persons whose rights, privileges and immunities have been violated by defendants' actions as hereafter set forth. However, there are common questions of law and fact affecting the rights, privileges and immunities of the named plaintiffs and the members of the classes. The named plaintiffs adequately represent the interest of the classes.

III

Plaintiff Hosea Williams is over the age of 21 years, and is a resident of the State of Georgia and of the United States. Plaintiff John Lewis is over the age of 21 years, and is a native of the State of Alabama, presently residing in Atlanta, Georgia, and of the United States. Plaintiff Amelia Boynton is over the age of 21 years, and is a resident of the State of Alabama, and of the United States. Each of said named plaintiffs belongs to that class or race of persons commonly designated and referred to as Negroes.

Defendant Honorable George C. Wallace is the duly elected Governor of the State of Alabama. As such, defendant Honorable George C. Wallace is the chief executive officer of the State of Alabama, with offices in the State Capitol, Montgomery, Alabama. Defendant Al Lingo is the Director of Public Safety for the State of Alabama, having been appointed pursuant to state statute, by the Governor of the State of Alabama. As such director of Public Safety, defendant Al Lingo is empowered, inter alia, to enforce all laws pertaining to roads and highways in the State. Code of Ala., Title 30, Section 58 (54)-58(68).

Defendant James G. Clark, Jr. is the duly elected Sheriff of Dallas County, Alabama.

IV

Plaintiffs and members of the class they represent, have been working in Dallas County, Alabama and other adjacent counties since 1963, in an effort to encourage and assist Negroes to register and become voters and to persuade local Boards of Registrars to register such people and allow them to vote. Pursuant to this objective, they have participated in mass meetings and peaceful demonstrations. Demonstrations have been forcibly broken up and demonstrators arrested. In addition, plaintiffs and members of the class represented by them, have been harassed and beaten by State and local police officers. For the last seven weeks, their efforts have been intensified inspite of intimidation and brutality on the part of State and local police. Because of such intimidation and brutality, plaintiffs announced their intention to make a peaceful, non-violent march on, to-wit; March 7, 1965, from Selma, Alabama to Montgomery, Alabama, for the purpose of soliciting the assistance of the defendant Honorable George C. Wallace, Governor of the State of Alabama, in removing impediments to voter registration of Negroes in Alabama.

That on or about to-wit, March 6, 1965, the defendant Honorable George C. Wallace announced to the press and on T. V. that, "such march cannot and will not be tolerated. . ." and that "there will be no march between Selma, Alabama and Montgomery, Alabama, and I have so instructed the Department of Public Safety." A copy of said announcement is hereto attached, marked Exhibit 1, and made a part hereof just as if fully set out herein.

Pursuant to their announced plans, on Sunday, March 7, 1965, at about 2:15 P. M., plaintiffs and other members of

the class which they represent left Brown's Chapel A. M. E. Church located on Sylvan Street in Selma, Dallas County, Alabama. They proceeded to walk through the City of Selma to Broad Street where they turned left on Highway 80-East. At this point they lined up in columns of two's and walking three feet apart. They crossed the Pettus Bridge on their way to Montgomery, Alabama, walking along the shoulders of the highway. Said marchers were led by plaintiffs John Lewis and Hosea Williams. Apparently, pursuant to the orders of Governor George C. Wallace that there would be no such march, State Troopers, standing shoulder to shoulder across the highway, stopped the march after they had gotten across the bridge. As the marchers approached within 50 feet of the troopers, they were told over a public address system that that was as far as they could go. They were informed that the march created a traffic hazard and was forbidden by the Governor of Alabama. Plaintiff Hosea Williams requested permission to speak to the officer apparently in charge, but was told that there would be no talking and they had two minutes to disperse and go back to the Church. The marchers stood silently and after a very short time, the State Troopers advanced on them and began beating and jabbing the marchers with their billy clubs. The State Troopers, joined at a point by Dallas County Sheriff James Clark's possemen mounted on horses, who began beating, jabbing and riding the marchers down. Many of the marchers were bloody and some were unconscious. State Troopers then put on gas masks and fired tear gas bombs in the midst of the marchers. The marchers tried to retreat back across the bridge to Selma. The mounted possemen pursued the screaming and running marchers, driving their horses against them, clubbing and jabbing them

WITH THEIR BILLY CLUBS. STATE TROOPERS CONTINUED TO BEAT THE MARCHERS UNTIL THEY HAD RE-CROSSED THE BRIDGE. THE MARCHERS WERE BEATEN AND TERRORIZED BY TROOPERS AND POSSEMEN ALL THE WAY BACK TO THE CHURCH. MANY OF THE MARCHERS, INCLUDING TWO OF THE PLAINTIFFS JOHN LEWIS AND AMELIA BOYNTON WERE INJURED BY BLOWS AND TEAR GAS AND REQUIRED HOSPITALIZATION AND MEDICAL ATTENTION. AN ACCOUNT OF THE MARCH WAS CARRIED IN THE MARCH 8, 1965 EDITION OF THE BIRMINGHAM NEWS, A COPY OF WHICH IS ATTACHED, MARKED EXHIBIT 2, AND MADE A PART HEREOF JUST AS IF FULLY SET OUT HEREIN.

V

THE ACTS OF DEFENDANTS AS AFORESAID WERE A CONTINUATION OF THEIR EFFORTS TO FRUSTRATE THE ACTIVITIES OF PLAINTIFFS AND OTHER MEMBERS OF THE CLASS THEY REPRESENT TO GET NEGROES IN DALLAS COUNTY AND NEIGHBORING COUNTIES REGISTERED.

LESS THAN THREE (3%) PER CENT OF THE POTENTIAL NEGRO VOTERS IN DALLAS COUNTY ARE REGISTERED. A SIMILARLY NEGLIGIBLE NUMBER OF NEGROES IS REGISTERED IN NEIGHBORING COUNTY. IN THE NEIGHBORING COUNTIES OF LOWMEYER AND WILCOX, NO NEGROES ARE REGISTERED AS VOTERS.

PLAINTIFFS ALLEGE AND AVER, THAT THE ACTS OF THE DEFENDANTS COMPLAINED OF HEREIN, IS A DENIAL TO PLAINTIFFS, AND MEMBERS OF THE CLASS THEY REPRESENT, OF EQUAL PROTECTION OF THE LAW GUARANTEED UNDER THE FOURTEENTH AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION ON ACCOUNT OF RACE OR COLOR; OF THE RIGHT TO VOTE AND THE RIGHT TO FREE SPEECH AND FREEDOM TO PEACEFULLY ASSEMBLE TO PETITION FOR REDRESS OF GRIEVANCES.

VI

PLAINTIFFS DESIRE TO CONTINUE THEIR PEACEFUL NON-VIOLENT EFFORT IN BEHALF OF NEGRO VOTER REGISTRATION IN ALABAMA, INCLUDING THE RIGHT TO REDRESS THEIR GRIEVANCES BY WALKING PEACEFULLY ALONG THE PUBLIC HIGHWAY OF THE STATE OF ALABAMA, BETWEEN SELMA AND MONTGOMERY AND OTHER PLACES WITHIN SAID STATE, AND TO EXERCISE OTHER CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS AS HEREINAFOVE ALLEGED.

IRREPARABLE INJURY TO PLAINTIFFS AND THOSE SIMILARLY SITUATED HAS OCCURRED AND THE THREAT OF CONTINUING AND FUTURE IRREPARABLE INJURY AND HARM IS IMMINENT UNLESS DEFENDANTS ARE ENJOINED AND RESTRAINED BY THIS COURT FROM DEPRIVING PLAINTIFFS AND THOSE SIMILARLY SITUATED OF THEIR CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS SECURED

BY DUE PROCESS, EQUAL PROTECTION AND PRIVILEGES AND IMMUNITIES CLAUSES OF
THE FOURTEENTH AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES. PLAINTIFFS
HAVE NO OTHER ADEQUATE OR COMPLETE REMEDY OTHER THAN THIS SUIT FOR INJUNCTIVE
RELIEF.

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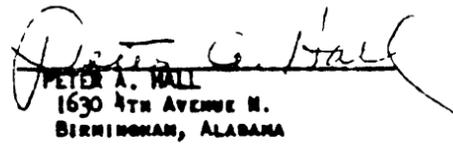
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WHEREFORE, PLAINTIFFS, ON THEIR BEHALF AND ON BEHALF OF OTHER
OF OTHER PERSONS SIMILARLY SITUATED, RESPECTFULLY PRAY:

1. THAT THIS COURT ENTER A PRELIMINARY AND PERMANENT INJUNCTION,
RESTRAINING AND ENJOINING DEFENDANTS THEIR SERVANTS, AGENTS, SUCCESSORS
AND ALL PERSONS IN ACTIVE CONCERT AND PARTICIPATION WITH THEM FROM
ARRESTING, HARRASSING, THREATENING OR IN ANYWAY INTERFERING WITH
OF PEACEFUL NON-VIOLENT EFFORT IN BEHALF OF NEGRO VOTER REGISTRATION IN ALA. AND
PLAINTIFFS CONSTITUTIONALLY PROTECTED RIGHT/TO WALK ALONGSIDE THE
PUBLIC HIGHWAYS OF THE STATE OF ALABAMA.

2. THAT THIS COURT ENTER A PRELIMINARY AND PERMANENT INJUNCTION,
RESTRAINING AND ENJOINING DEFENDANTS THEIR SERVANT, AGENTS, SUCCESSORS
AND ALL PERSONS IN ACTIVE CONCERT AND PARTICIPATION WITH THEM FROM
FAILING AND REFUSING TO PROVIDE PROTECTION FOR PLAINTIFFS AND OTHER
MEMBERS OF THE CLASS THEY REPRESENT, IN EXERCISE OF THEIR CONSTITUTIONALLY
PROTECTED RIGHT TO WALK ALONGSIDE THE PUBLIC HIGHWAY OF THE STATE OF
ALABAMA.

3. THAT THIS COURT GRANT TO PLAINTIFFS SUCH OTHER FURTHER AND
GENERAL RELIEF TO WHICH PLAINTIFFS MAY BE ENTITLED, ~~AND~~ THEIR
COSTS AND REASONABLE ATTORNEYS FEES.


PETER A. HALL
1630 4TH AVENUE N.
BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA

GRAY & SEAY
34 NORTH PERRY STREET
MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA

JACK GREENBERG
NORMAN ANAKER
CHARLES H. JONES, JR.
10 COLUMBUS CIRCLE
NEW YORK 19, N. Y.

ATTORNEYS FOR PLAINTIFFS

VERIFICATION

STATE OF ALABAMA)
) S S
COUNTY OF MONTGOMERY)

BEFORE ME, THE UNDERSIGNED AUTHORITY IN AND FOR THE COUNTY
OF MONTGOMERY, STATE OF ALABAMA, PERSONALLY APPEARED **NOBEA WILLIAMS**,
WHO AFTER BEING FIRST DULY SWORN, DEPOSES AND SAYS THAT HEH HAS
READ THE FOREGOING COMPLAINT AND THAT THE CONTENTS THEREOF ARE TRUE
AND CORRECT TO THE BEST OF HIS KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF.

Nobe Williams

NOBEA WILLIAMS

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED
BEFORE ME THIS 8TH DAY OF
MARCH, 1965.

Dennis W. Gray

NOTARY PUBLIC

March 6, 1965

After weeks of disorderly interruption of the normal functions of government in and around the Dallas and Perry County areas, it is now reported that certain individuals engaged in these activities ~~are~~ plan a so-called "march" ~~on the~~ ~~highways~~ indicating that such "march" will begin in Selma and travel some fifty or more miles along the public highways of this state to Montgomery.

Such a "march" cannot and will not be tolerated. I might add that a large group of legislators who conferred with me yesterday concur in this decision. As Governor of this state, I consider it my sworn duty to insure the protection of the lives and property of our citizens and those traveling through our state under all conditions within my power. Certain it is that any pre-conceived "march" along the public highways of this state is not conducive to orderly flow of traffic and commerce within and through the State of Alabama. The additional hazard placed upon highway travel by any such actions cannot be countenanced. It is clearly obvious to any sensible person that such organized group "marching" along our highways would only add to existing hazards of traffic such as curves, embankments, bridges and other normal conditions found along the public ways of this state. Such action would not be allowed on the part of any other group of citizens, or non-citizens, of the State of Alabama and will not be allowed in this instance.

Government must proceed in an orderly manner and lawful and law-abiding citizens must transact their business with the government in such a manner.

There will be no "march" between Selma, Alabama, and Montgomery, Alabama, and I have so instructed the Department of Public Safety.

Exhibit 1

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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE MIDDLE
DISTRICT OF ALABAMA, NORTHERN DIVISION

ROSEA WILLIAMS, JOHN LEWIS)
and AMELIA BOYNTON, on behalf of)
themselves and others similarly)
situated,)
Plaintiffs,)
vs.)
HONORABLE GEORGE C. WALLACE, as)
Governor of the State of Alabama;)
AL LINGO, as Director of Public)
Safety for the State of Alabama;)
and JAMES G. CLARK, as Sheriff of)
Dallas County, Alabama,)
Defendants.)

CIVIL ACTION NO. 2181-N

ORDER DENYING MOTION FOR TEMPORARY RESTRAINING ORDER, TEMPORARY RESTRAINING ORDER, AND SETTING CAUSE FOR HEARING ON MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION

This cause is now submitted on the verified complaint, together with the exhibits thereto, filed with the Clerk of this Court on March 8, 1965, which complaint and exhibits thereto are advanced in support of plaintiffs' motion for a temporary restraining order. The temporary restraining order is requested without a hearing and without formal notice to the defendants on the theory that "irreparable injury will result before notice can be served and a hearing can be had."

An examination of the complaint, together with the exhibits, reflects that the plaintiffs and the members of the class they represent, in an effort to encourage and assist Negroes to register and become voters and to persuade local boards of registrars in the State of Alabama to register Negroes and allow them to vote, attempted a march along the public highway on March 7, 1965, from Selma, Alabama, to Montgomery, Alabama; that said march was for the purpose of soliciting the assistance of the Honorable George C. Wallace, Governor of the State of Alabama, in removing impediments to voter registration of Negroes in the State of Alabama; that said planned march was halted under the instructions of the Governor, through the use of excessive force by the Alabama State Troopers and the Dallas County sheriff, together with his deputies and possemen. Plaintiffs say that they desire to resume their right to redress their grievances by walking along the public highway of the State of Alabama between Selma, Alabama, and Montgomery, Alabama, and other places within said State and ask this Court to declare their constitutional

right to do so.

This Court does not see from the complaint and exhibits any justification for issuing a temporary restraining order without notice to the defendants and without a hearing. There will be no irreparable harm if the plaintiffs will await a judicial determination of the matters involved.

In order to afford the parties to this litigation an opportunity to present their evidence upon the motion for a preliminary injunction that was filed with the Clerk of this Court at 4:30 p.m. on March 8, 1965, this Court is of the opinion that there should be an early hearing upon said motion.

In consideration of the foregoing and for good cause, it is the ORDER, JUDGMENT and DECREE of this Court that the motion of the plaintiffs filed herein for a temporary restraining order be and the same is hereby denied.

In order to protect the integrity of this Court and to prevent the judicial processes from being frustrated by the plaintiffs and other members of their class continuing to attempt to enforce the rights they seek to have judicially determined in this Court, it appears that it will be to the best interest of all concerned and will work no irreparable injury or harm to plaintiffs, or members of their class, if they are ordered to refrain from attempting to exercise what they claim to be a constitutional right to march, until the matter can be judicially determined at an early hearing.

It is the further ORDER, JUDGMENT and DECREE of this Court that the plaintiffs and other members of their class, and those acting in concert with them, be and each is hereby enjoined and restrained from attempting to march from Selma, Alabama, to Montgomery, Alabama, until this Court can have a reasonable opportunity to make a judicial determination as to the respective rights of the parties to this case.

It is the further ORDER, JUDGMENT and DECREE of this Court that the motion of the plaintiffs for a preliminary injunction be and the same is hereby set for a hearing to commence at 9 a.m., Thursday, March 11, 1965.

Done, this the 9th day of March, 1965.


UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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Date: 3/14/65

Transmit the following in PLAIN TEXT
(Type in plaintext or code)

Via AIRTEL
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (44-1108) (P)

SUBJECT: REGISTRARS OF VOTERS,
DALLAS COUNTY, ALABAMA,
SELMA, ALABAMA VOTING
DISCRIMINATION
CR - JEL
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RE: UNITED PRESS INTERNATIONAL
(UPI) PHOTOGRAPHS OF
INCIDENT, 3/7/65, SELMA,
ALABAMA

Enclosed herewith to the Selma RA are 15 copies each of the following UPI photographs requested by Mr. FRANK DUNBAR, CRD, USDJ, in a telephone call to the NYO on 3/13/65. The description of the photographs was given

- 3-Bureau
- 2-Mobile (44-557)
- 2-Selma RA (Encls. 460)
(Inspector J. A. SULLIVAN)
- 1-New York

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[Signature]

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Approved: [Signature]
Special Agent in Charge

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by Mr. S. ROSS.

The numbers on these photographs correspond with the numbers assigned by the NYO to UPI photographs submitted to the Montgomery RA on 3/11/65:

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47	79	151	161	183	194
48	83	152	162	184	198
64	120	154	169	191	204
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The photos, number 113, number 142, number 199, and number 207, requested by Mr. DUNBAR could not be identified by the descriptions furnished, and no copies have been made.

There are enclosed to the Selma RA five (5) copies of Five (5) pages of contact prints made from the negatives obtained from UPI. In the event additional photographs are needed, the contact prints enclosed can be circled or otherwise noted and returned to the NYO for copying from the original negatives.

In accordance with the agreement under which the negatives were obtained by this office, they were returned to UPI - News Photo Service Department, 220 East 42nd Street, NYC, on 3/13/65.

RE: NBC - TV FILM OF INCIDENT,
3/7/65, AT SELMA, ALABAMA

On 3/12/65, Mr. C. B. DUNHAM, Legal Division, NBC, 30 Rockefeller Plaza, NYC, made available a copy of 150 feet of 16 mm film shot by NBC photographers on 3/7/65 at Selma.

NY 44-1108

This is the same film which was furnished to the Montgomery RA on 3/11/65.

Arrangements for production of this film were made with Mr. DUNHAM by Mr. D. ROBERT OWEN, CRD, USDJ.

On 3/13/65, Mr. FRANK DUNBAR, CRD, USDJ, advised the NYO in telephonic contact that the portions Departmental Attorneys desired for reproduction had not as yet been selected.

In contact with the Selma RA on 3/13/65, it was suggested that after the film at Selma is reviewed, arrangements be made to copy the film currently at New York at some point where both copies of the film are available rather than having the description of the portion to be reproduced given by telephone.

This copy of the film is being retained by the NYO pending further instruction.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. Belmont *MB*

DATE March 15, 1965

FROM : A. Rosen *AR*

- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. Rosen
- 1 - Mr. Malley
- 1 - Mr. McGowan
- 1 - [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: REGISTRARS OF VOTERS
 DALLAS COUNTY, ALABAMA
 VOTING DISCRIMINATION
 CIVIL RIGHTS ELECTION LAWS

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Inspector Sullivan has advised that this morning a group of individuals attempted to march from the Brown's Chapel A. M. E. Church to the Courthouse, Selma, to have a demonstration in connection with voter registration activities and to hold a memorial service for Reverend James Reeb. These individuals were stopped by Sheriff Jim Clark.

Clark indicated that the individuals could assemble at the Courthouse for a voter registration demonstration but he would not permit a march. Only a small number of individuals have gathered in the line at the Courthouse for voter registration purposes.

As of 11:25 a. m. Washington time, the group was breaking up and returning to the Brown's Chapel according to Inspector Sullivan.

ACTION

The Civil Rights Division of the Department will be advised of the above information.

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TO SAC, MOBILE
FROM DIRECTOR, FBI

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REGISTRARS OF VOTERS, DALLAS COUNTY, ALABAMA, VOTING
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CLOUD TESTIFIED AN FBI AGENT WAS PRESENT AT ONE MEETING.

BY RETURN TELETYPE, ADVISE IF ANY AGENT ATTENDED SUCH
A MEETING AND IF SO, IDENTIFY THE AGENT, IDENTIFY ALL OTHERS
PRESENT, STATE THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF THE MEETING, STATE
WHY THE AGENT WAS PRESENT AND WHETHER THE BUREAU HAD BEEN
ADVISED THAT AN AGENT WOULD BE IN ATTENDANCE.

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RE MOBILE 3-14-65.

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[REDACTED] ADVISED THAT AN AGREEMENT HAD BEEN REACHED BY OFFICIALS, IN SELMA TO PERMIT A MEMORIAL SERVICE IN MEMORY OF REVEREND JAMES J. REEB AT THE CITY STADIUM, SELMA, BETWEEN 3:00 A.M. AND 4:00 A.M., 3-15-65. ^N NO PARADE ENROUTE WILL BE PERMITTED BUT OFFICIALS PLAN TO BE TOLERANT OF A MODIFIED MOTORCADE.

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IN COMPLIANCE WITH EXISTING INJUNCTION A DEMONSTRATION OF ORDERLY CHARACTER WILL BE PERMITTED IN SUPPORT OF VOTER REGISTRATION DURING THE DAY 3-15-65.

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cc: Mr. ROSEN

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COVERAGE WILL BE AFFORDED TO THESE ACTIVITIES. JOHN NIXON, DEPARTMENTAL ATTORNEY ON SCENE ADVISED.

U. S. District Court

MAJOR CLOUD HAS BEEN SUBPOENAED TO APPEAR IN ~~U.S.D.C.~~ MONTGOMERY, 3-16-65, IN HEARING CONCERNING RACIAL ACTIVITIES SELMA. CLOUD COMMANDED STATE POLICE IN SELMA 3-7-65, WHEN NEGRO MARCHERS WERE TURNED BACK ENROUTE TO MONTGOMERY.

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~~BE NO THANKS.~~

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Civil Rights Division of Department
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Date: 3/13/65

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Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL - REGISTERED
(Priority)

TO: Director, FBI
FROM: SAC, Birmingham (157-884) (P)
SUBJECT: REGISTRARS OF VOTERS,
DALLAS COUNTY, ALABAMA,
VOTER DISCRIMINATION
CR - EL ELECTION LAWS

Enclosed for the Bureau are eight copies of letterhead memorandum.

Copies of this letterhead memorandum have been disseminated to local military intelligence agencies.

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Approved: OC MARI Special Agent in Charge

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

1400 - 2121 Building

Birmingham, Alabama 35203

March 13, 1965

RE: REGISTRARS OF VOTERS,
DALLAS COUNTY, ALABAMA,
VOTER DISCRIMINATION

[REDACTED] advised that on March 12, 1965, a total of 1,000 individuals, including 25 white people, marched in protest and sympathy to protest "brutality" in Selma, Alabama, at Tuscaloosa, Alabama, at 4:00 P.M. Tuscaloosa Police provided a motorcycle escort, with a police officer stationed at each street corner on the line of march.

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[REDACTED] stated there were no incidents, and the marchers returned to the First African Baptist Church, where they disbanded.

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Date: 3/15/65

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Via AIRTEL _____
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-12831)

FROM: SAC, BOSTON (44-431)

REGISTRATION OF VOTERS,
DALLAS COUNTY, ALABAMA,
VOTING DISCRIMINATION
CIVIL RIGHTS - ELECTION LAWS

Re Baltimore teletype to Bureau, Mobile, and Boston, dated 3/13/65; Bostel to Bureau and Mobile dated 3/14/65; Bostel to Bureau, Mobile, and Baltimore dated 3/15/65.

Enclosed for the Bureau are original and three copies of a letterhead memorandum in the above-captioned case; two copies are being forwarded to Mobile; and one copy to Baltimore.

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- 1 - Baltimore (Info) (Encls. 1)
- 1 - Boston (44-431)

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cc: Wick

Approved: *[Signature]*
Special Agent in Charge

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Boston, Massachusetts 02210

March 15, 1965

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

REGISTRATION OF VOTERS
DALLAS COUNTY, ALABAMA
VOTING DISCRIMINATION

[REDACTED] Delaware, on March 13, 1965, advised that while waiting for chartered planes with other clergymen at Selma, Alabama Airport, two young white men operating an old model sedan, color and license unknown, drove past, and within five minutes returned to the airfield and shouted obscenities at the group. Two rifles were observed by [REDACTED] in the front seat of the car between the occupants apparently butted against the floor with barrels extending above the back of the front seat. [REDACTED] stated that this car stopped about 25 yards away from the group, and the occupants got out, crouched down, and stared at the group for about one minute and then got back into the car and left in the direction of Selma, Alabama. As this car left, the occupants shouted further obscenities at the group.

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According to [REDACTED] Massachusetts, was a member of this group. According to [REDACTED] heard these men voice a general threat to kill, but [REDACTED] himself, did not hear this threat and has stated that the guns were not pointed at any member of the group.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

March 15, 1965

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Massachusetts, GA
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advised that he and a group of ministers, priests, and laymen were awaiting a chartered plane operated by Triple A Air Taxi to return them to Atlanta for the trip to their respective homes. [REDACTED] observed two young white men driving an older model vehicle, type, description, registration number unknown to him, parked on the side road of the airport. The passenger left the vehicle, walked to the Administration Building, attempted to enter, but found the door locked. He then returned to the vehicle. While this was occurring, [REDACTED] and his group were standing in front of the Administration Building near the road at the front of the Selma Airport. The two men in the vehicle drove out of the side road and into the road in front of the Administration Building and proceeded passed them. While doing so, the passenger rolled down the window and shouted obscenities at the group.

D.O.B. [REDACTED] m1102

The car stopped approximately 75 feet further down the driveway. The driver alighted from the car and screamed abuses at the group, most of which abuses were unintelligible.

[REDACTED] stated emphatically and unequivocally that there was no threat to kill, and there was no threat of any kind against any person in the group. b7c b7D

As the vehicle passed the group, [REDACTED] observed two weapons which he thought were shotguns but were described by one of the other members of the group as carbines, between the two men, butt against the floor, barrels facing upward.

At no time during this short interval did either of the men touch, brandish, or direct these weapons towards the group. [REDACTED] identified the members of the group as follows:

On 3/14/65 at [REDACTED] Massachusetts File# Boston 44-439

by SAs [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] Date dictated 3/15/65 b7c

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Delaware

[Redacted]
Delaware

[Redacted]
New Hampshire

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New Hampshire

[Redacted]
Pennsylvania

Negro minister from Philadelphia,
Pennsylvania, name unknown

The following description of [Redacted] was
obtained from interview and personal observation:

Name: [Redacted]

Race: White

Sex: Male

Date of birth: [Redacted]

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Place of birth: [REDACTED] Massachusetts

Height: [REDACTED]

Weight: [REDACTED]

Build: [REDACTED]

Eyes: [REDACTED]

Hair: [REDACTED]

Complexion: [REDACTED]

Education: [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Massachusetts

Residence: [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Massachusetts

Occupation: [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

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Re: REGISTRATION OF VOTERS,
DALLAS COUNTY, ALABAMA ETC.

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TO DIRECTOR /44-12831/

FROM MOBILE /SELMA/ 44-557/

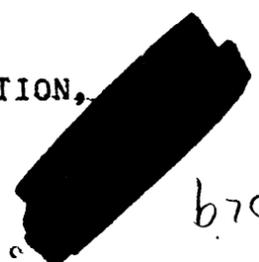
Mr. Tolson	✓
Mr. DeLoach	✓
Mr. Mohr	✓
Mr. Bishop	✓
Mr. Casper	✓
Mr. Callahan	✓
Mr. Conrad	✓
Mr. Felt	✓
Mr. Gale	✓
Mr. Rosen	✓
Mr. Sullivan	✓
Mr. Tavel	✓
Mr. Trotter	✓
Tele. Room	✓
Miss Holmes	✓
Miss Gandy	✓

ELECTION LAWS

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS, DALLAS COUNTY, ALA., VOTING DISCRIMINATION,

CIVIL RIGHTS - ELECTION LAWS
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REMOTEL EARLIER TODAY.

VOTER REGISTRATION LINE OPENED NINE AM TODAY AT DALLAS COUNTY COURT HOUSE, SELMA, ALA. FIRST NUMBER CALLED WAS TWO FIVE TWO. FIRST NUMBER RESPONDING WAS THREE ZERO SEVEN.

VOTER REGISTRATION APPEARANCE BOOK OPENED NINE:THIRTY AM.

FIRST NUMBER ISSUED TWO SIX ONE ZERO.

MEMBER-SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

AT NINE : TWENTY - FOUR AM CST, C.T. VIVIAN, SCLC STAFF, 44-12831-611

ALA - SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

GAVE INSTRUCTIONS TO THE MARCHING LINE ASSEMBLED OUTSIDE OF BROWN CHAPEL CHURCH THAT IF MARCH RESULTED IN BEING STOPPED

BY LOCAL OFFICERS, THE MARCHERS SHOULD OBEY ANY COMMANDS BY THE OFFICIALS. AT NINE:THIRTY-SEVEN AM THIS GROUP, HEADED BY

C.T.VIVIAN, WAS CONFRONTED BY SHERIFF JAMES G. CLARKE, JR.

CLARKE TOLD VIVIAN THERE WOULD BE NO MARCH TO THE DALLAS COUNTY

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COURT HOUSE. HE INSTRUCTED THE ~~SO~~ ^{SHERIFF'S OFFICE} POSSE MEMBERS TO MAINTAIN THIS CONFRONTATION LIVE NEAR ALABAMA AVENUE ON SYLVAN ST., APPROXIMATELY TWO HUNDRED YARDS FROM THE BROWN CHAPEL CHURCH.

AT NINE : FORTY-NINE AM THE DEMONSTRATORS LINED UP TWENTY ABREAST FACED BY THE SO POSSE. HOSEA WILLIAMS, SCLC STAFF, ALA. THEN ADVISED THIS GROUP THROUGH A LOUD SPEAKER THAT CLARKE HAD STOPPED THE MARCH TO THE COURT HOUSE. WILLIAMS SAID THAT ^{MEMBER - SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE}

HE COULD NOT ALLOW THESE MARCHERS TO DISOBEY THIS ORDER BECAUSE THE CLERGYMEN IN THE FRONT OF THE LIVE WERE NON- RESIDENTS OF DALLAS COUNTY.

AT NINE : FIFTY- ONE AM, SHERIFF CLARKE ANNOUNCED ON THE LOUD SPEAKER THAT IF ANY PERSON AT THE CONFRONTATION POINT HAD VOTER REGISTRATION BUSINESS THEY COULD GO TO THE COURT HOUSE INDIVIDUALLY OR IN SMALL GROUPS TO CONDUCT THIS BUSINESS.

CLARK SAID THAT THERE WOULD BE NO MASS MARCH FROM THIS POINT TO THE COURT HOUSE. ^{SHERIFF'S OFFICE} ~~SO~~ DEPUTIES CLEARED THE AREA AT THIS TIME OF ALL INDIVIDUALS OTHER THAN LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS OR INDIVIDUALS WITH PROPER PRESS CREDENTIALS. THE DEMONSTRATORS THEN MOVED BACK ABOUT APPROXIMATELY THIRTY YARDS. THEY WERE FACED BY TEN SO DEPUTIES BACKED UP BY

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APPROXIMATELY FIFTY ALABAMA STATE TROOPERS.

AT TEN:ZERO SEVEN AM CAPTAIN J. WILSON BAKER, DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SAFETY, SELMA, APPEARED ON THE SCENE. AT TEN : FIFTEEN AM SHERIFF CLARKE ORDERED THE SO DEPUTIES TO THE REAR OF THE CONFRONTATION LINE AND THESE DEPUTIES WERE REPLACED BY TEN OFFICERS OF THE SELMA ^{POLICE DEPARTMENT} ~~PD.~~ BAKER ANNOUNCED TO THE MARCHERS AT THIS TIME VIA LOUD SPEAKER THAT HE WOULD NOT ALLOW A MASS MARCH TO THE DALLAS COUNTY COURTHOUSE, HOWEVER, THESE DEMONSTRATORS COULD GO TO THE COURT HOUSE IN SMALL GROUPS TO REGISTER TO VOTE.

AT TEN: TWENTY- FIVE AM THESE DEMONSTRATORS WERE OBSERVED TO LEAVE THE CONFRONTATION POINT, HEADED BY VIVIAN, TO RETURN TO THE BROWN CHAPEL CHURCH FOR A THIRTY MINUTE MEETING TO FORMULATE PLANS. AT TEN: FORTY-FOUR AM THE SO DEPUTIES CONSTRUCTED A BARRICADE AT THE CONFRONTATION POINT MADE OF WOOD SAWHORSES.

AT TEN: FIFTY - THREE AM BAKER WAS OBSERVED IN A CONFERENCE WITH VIVIAN AND AN UNKNOWN MEMBER OF THE COMMUNITY RELATIONS SERVICE. [REDACTED] ADVISED THAT BAKER HAD PROPOSED A MARCH TO THE COURT HOUSE ON THE SIDEWALKS THREE ABREAST.
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ALLEGEDLY THE NEGROES ACCEPTED THIS PROPOSAL, HOWEVER, IT WAS VETOED BY MAYOR JOSEPH SMITHERMAN. CONGRESSMAN EDWARD BOLAND

AT ELEVEN: TWENTY-SEVEN AM A CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION FROM MASS. D.C. ALA. THE STATE OF MASSACHUSETTS, REPRESENTING SENATOR EDWARD KENNEDY, ARRIVED AT SELMA. THIS DELEGATION WAS HEADED BY EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT PHIL EVANS AND ALSO CONTAINED CONGRESSMEN SILVIO CONTI AND EDWARD BOLAND. CONGRESSMAN SILVIO CONTI

AT ELEVEN: FORTY AM [REDACTED] ADVISED THAT HE HAD MASS. D.C. ALA. SPOKEN TO THE BROTHER OF WALTER REUTHER AND THAT WALTER REUTHER WAS IN SELMA, ACCOMPANIED BY FOUR UNIDENTIFIED MEN. ALA. THIS SOURCE ALSO ADVISED THAT C.T. VIVIAN TOLD THE DEMONSTRATORS THAT DURING THE MEMORIAL SERVICES FOR REVEREND REEB THIS AFTERNOON, THEY ARE EXPECTING SOME VIP'S TO ATTEND. VIVIAN

HAS REQUESTED BY TELEGRAM THAT A REPRESENTATIVE OF PRESIDENT JOHNSON ATTEND THIS SERVICE. VIVIAN ANNOUNCED AT ELEVEN: FIFTY- ONE AM THAT THERE WOULD BE NO FURTHER DEMONSTRATIONS THIS MORNING. HE STATED AT TWO PM THE MEMORIAL SERVICES FOR REVEREND REEB WILL BE HELD. THIS SOURCE DID NOT KNOW WHETHER THE SERVICE WOULD BE HELD AT THE BROWN CHAPEL AME CHURCH OR THE MEMORIAL STADIUM IN SELMA.

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THE MONTGOMERY, ALA. RA ADVISED AT TEN:THIRTY -FOUR AM
THAT DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. AND REVEREND RALPH ~~W~~ABERNATHY,
SCLC, HAVE ARRIVED IN MONTGOMERY VIA PRIVATE OR CHARTERED ALA.
PLANE. KING WILL ATTEMPT TO BE EXCUSED FROM APPEARANCE IN
MEMBER-SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE
FEDERAL COURT, MONTGOMERY, IN ORDER TO BE IN SELMA AT TWO
PM FOR THE MEMORIAL SERVICES. KING IS SCHEDULED TO BE THE
PRINCIPAL SPEAKER AT THE SERVICE.

BUAGENTS ON SCENE AND WILL COVER SERVICE TODAY.

DEPARTMENTAL ATTORNEY JOHN NIXON ON SCENE AT SELMA ADVISED.

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Congressman Silvio J. Conte is a Republican representing the First District of Massachusetts. Congressman Edward P. Boland is a Democrat representing the Third District of Massachusetts.

The Civil Rights Division of the Department is being advised of information in attached.

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TO DIRECTOR 44-12831

FROM MOBILE (SELMA) 44-557

ELECTION LAWS

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS, DALLAS COUNTY, ALA., VOTING DISCRIMINATION, ~~CR~~, ~~IL~~.

REMOELS EARLIER TDAY.

AT APPROXIMATELY TWELVE THIRTY PM ^{CENTRAL STANDARD TIME} CST TODAY MAYOR JOSEPH SMITHERMAN, SELMA, AND SHERIFF JAMES G. CLARK, DALLAS COUNTY, ALA. WERE IN CONTACT WITH ^{DALLAS COUNTY, ALA.} ~~USDA~~ DANIEL H. THOMAS, ^{SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF ALABAMA} U.S. DISTRICT JUDGE SDA AT MOBILE. A DISCUSSION WAS HAD RELATIVE TO REQUEST

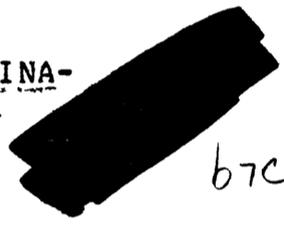
BY NEGROES AND OTHER WHITE DEMONSTRATORS AT BROWN CHAPEL AME CHURCH TO MARCH TO THE DALLAS COUNTY COURT HOUSE. AFTER DISCUSSION IT WAS DECIDED THAT CLARK AND SMITHERMAN WOULD PROPOSE TO THE NEGROES THEY COULD MARCH TWO ABREAST IN AN ORDERLY MANNER, OBSERVING ALL TRAFFIC RULES, TO THE DALLAS COUNTY COURT HOUSE, WHERE THEY COULD ASSEMBLE PEACEFULLY AND ORDERLY TO SUPPORT VOTER REGISTRATION PRESENTLY OCCURING AT THE COURT HOUSE.

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THIS PROPOSAL WAS MADE BY SHERIFF CLARK, AND J. WILSON
BAKER, PUBLIC SAFETY DIRECTOR, SELMA, TO HOSEA WILLIAMS
AND OTHER NEGRO LEADERS AT APPROXIMATELY ONE ZERO FIVE PM ALA.
CST. WILLIAMS AND THE OTHER LEADERS REFUSED THIS PROPOSAL,
STATING THEY DESIRED TO MARCH THREE ABREAST.

AS OF TWO THIRTY FIVE PM, NEGOTIATIONS ARE STILL TAKING
PLACE RELATIVE TO THE ABOVE MARCH TO THE COURT HOUSE.

AS OF TWO FORTY PM IT WAS LEARNED FROM [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] THAT THEY WERE STILL ATTEMPTING TO NEGOTIATE
AN AGREEMENT WITH NEGRO LEADERS. [REDACTED]

DESIRED TO HAVE SOME TYPE OF ORDER FROM USDJ THOMAS IN ORDER
TO QUOTE "SAVE FACE" END QUOTE WITH THE LOCAL WHITE POPULATION
IN SELMA. USDJ THOMAS HAS STATED THAT IF [REDACTED]
DESIRES TO QUOTE "HIDE BEHIND HIS SKIRTS" END QUOTE IN ORDER TO
PROTECT HIS POLITICAL POSITION, THEN HE HAS NO OBJECTION TO
THIS AS HIS ONLY DESIRE IS TO BRING SOME PEACE AND TRAN-
QUILLITY TO THE SELMA AREA.

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Earlier reports today stated that a large group of demonstrators gathered at Brown's Chapel in Selma and initiated a march to the Dallas County Courthouse in protest of the death of Rev. James Reeb. The marchers, who were led by C. T. Vivian, SCLC, were stopped by Sheriff James G. Clark who stated that any of those who wished to go to the courthouse individually or in small groups for registration could do so but he would not allow them to march. Today 3/15/65 is one of the two registration days in Dallas County for the month of March, 1965; the other registration day was March 1, 1965.

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TO : Mr. Rosen *RW*

DATE 3/17/65

FROM : C. L. McGowan *CLM*

- 1 - Mr. Rosen
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SUBJECT REGISTRARS OF VOTERS
DALLAS COUNTY, ALABAMA
VOTING DISCRIMINATION
CIVIL RIGHTS - ELECTION LAWS

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With reference to the statement by Major Cloud that an FBI Agent was present at one meeting between Cloud and Colonel Al Lingo, at which plans were discussed regarding activities of State Troopers, Inspector Sullivan was telephonically contacted today.

Sullivan was instructed to advise the Bureau whether or not any Agent had ever attended such a meeting and whether any Agent had ever offered an opinion, comment, or recommendation to Cloud or Lingo concerning the State Troopers' plans for handling demonstrations or demonstrators. In the event such remarks were made, Sullivan is to identify the individual and advise specifically what comments were made.

ACTION:

Sullivan stated he would have a conference with the Agents and submit a teletype today furnishing the Bureau an answer.

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FROM MOBILE (SELMA) (44-557)

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REGISTRARS OF VOTERS, DALLAS COUNTY, ALABAMA, VOTING
DISCRIMINATION, CR, EL.

NEGRO MASS MEETING HELD THIS DATE SEVEN THIRTY PM ^{CENTRAL STANDARD TIME} CST
BROWN CHAPEL AME CHURCH SELMA WITH ESTIMATED ATTENDANCE
FOUR HUNDRED, MAJORITY OF WHOM WERE ADULTS.

PRINCIPAL SPEAKERS REV. L.L. ANDERSON, REV. ELDER GREER
BOTH SPEECHES WERE GENERAL IN NATURE AND REITERATED PURPOSES
OF CIVIL RIGHTS MOVEMENT.

COVERAGE AFFORDED BY SELMA PUBLIC SAFETY DIRECTOR
J. WILSON BAKER, ACCOMPANIED BY ONE PLAIN CLOTHES OFFICER
ON IMMEDIATE SCENE. ONE UNIFORMED OFFICER ^{ALABAMA STATE TROOPERS} OBSERVED
ON SCENE PERIODICALLY DURING COURSE OF MEETING. NO EVIDENCE
OBSERVED OF ANY ^{Sheriff's Office} DALLAS COUNTY ^{Police Department} OR SELMA PD CARS
ON IMMEDIATE SCENE OF CHURCH. BUAGENTS OBSERVING. MEETING
TERMINATED TEN THIRTY P.M. WITHOUT INCIDENT.

DEPARTMENTAL ATTORNEY JOHN NIXON ON SCENE BEING ADVISED
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~~CORR LINE ELEVEN WORD THREE SHD BE ANY TKS.~~

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REGISTRARS OF VOTERS, DALLAS COUNTY, ALABAMA, VOTERS

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AT FOUR TWENTY EIGHT PM CST TODAY, A GROUP OF APPROXIMATELY, ~~THIRTY~~ THREE HUNDRED INDIVIDUALS, ONE HALF OF WHICH WERE CLERGYMEN, LEFT FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH ON SYLVAN STREET SELMA, ALABAMA, AND FORMED IN THE STREET TWO ABREAST TO MARCH TO THE DALLAS COUNTY COURT HOUSE, SELMA. THE GROUP WAS FORMED BY REV. ANDREW YOUNG, C.I. VIVIAN, BOTH SCLC, AND REV. METZ ROLLINS (PHONETIC), OF MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA.

b7D YOUNG ADVISED ~~[Redacted]~~ THAT THIS GROUP WOULD FORM IN RANKS OF TWO, WALK TO COURT HOUSE ON THE SIDEWALKS. AFTER MARCHING AROUND COURT HOUSE SEVERAL TIMES, THEY WOULD RETURN TO BROWN CHAPEL. THEY WOULD OBEY ALL TRAFFIC LIGHTS AND REGULATIONS.

MEMBERS - SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADER
up 3/17/65
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AT FOUR THIRTY SIX PM CST, THE GROUP MARCHED TO THE BROWN CHAPEL WHERE THEY REMAINED UNTIL FOUR FORTY TWO PM. AT THIS TIME THE DEMONSTRATORS LEFT THE CHURCH AND LINED UP TWO ABREAST IN

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FRONT RANK WAS BLIND MAN CARRYING CANE. A LARGE SIGN WAS CARRIED BY INDIVIDUALS IN THE FRONT RANK WHICH READ QUOTE STUDENTS OF INTRADENOMINATIONAL THEOLOGICAL CENTER END QUOTE WHICH IS AN ORGANIZATION FROM ATLANTA, GEORGIA.

DEMONSTRATORS WERE CONFRONTED AT ^S SYLVAN AND SELMA STREETS BY SHERIFF ~~DALLAS COUNTY~~ ^{ALA.} CLARK, JR., DALLAS COUNTY, AND FIFTEEN DEPUTIES. A SPOKESMAN FOR THE GROUP REQUESTED PERMISSION TO MARCH AND THIS REQUEST DENIED BY SHERIFF CLARK. THIS SPOKESMAN WAS WHITE MINISTER, NAME UNKNOWN, OF THE UNITARIAN CHURCH IN LOS ALAMOS, NEW MEXICO.

AFTER A ^B BRIEF DISCUSSION WITH SHERIFF CLARK, THE DEMONSTRATORS REVERSED DIRECTIONS, MARCHED NORTH ON SYLVAN STREET AWAY FROM CONFRONTATION POINT. APPROXIMATELY TWO HUNDRED FORTY FIVE DEMONSTRATORS WERE IN THIS LINE.

SHERIFF CLARK WAS OBSERVED TO LEAVE AND GO TO THE OTHER END OF THE STREET WHERE HE AGAIN CONFRONTED THE DEMONSTRATORS. CLARK PHYSICALLY THREW ONE DEMONSTRATOR BACK INTO LINE. THE GROUP THEN REVERSED DIRECTIONS AND MARCHED NORTH ON SYLVAN STREET. THE GROUP WAS STOPPED AT BOTH ENDS OF SYLVAN STREET BY SHERIFF'S DEPUTIES.

CLARK ANNOUNCED TO BOTH ENDS OF THE GROUP THE MARCH WOULD NOT BE PERMITTED.

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APPROXIMATELY SEVENTY FIVE DEMONSTRATORS BROKE RANKS AND WALKED THROUGH A NEGRO HOUSING DEVELOPMENT ON SYLVAN STREET. THIS GROUP WAS OBSERVED ON ST. ANN'S STREET ONE BLOCK FROM THE END OF BROWN CHAPEL. THE GROUP HAD MARCHED TO REAR OF THE CHURCH THROUGH A PLAYGROUND AND WAS LATER STOPPED AT SYLVAN AND ALABAMA STREETS BY CAPTAIN J. WILSON BAKER, PUBLIC SAFETY DIRECTOR, SELMA, AND EIGHT MEMBERS OF THE SELMA CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT. MEMBERS OF THE DALLAS COUNTY SHERIFF'S POSSE WERE OBSERVED ON THE SCENE BUT WERE SOON REPLACED BY ALABAMA STATE TROOPERS.

LEADERS OF THE DEMONSTRATION PASSED THE WORD TO RETURN TO THE CHURCH AT FIVE ZERO FIVE PM AND AS OF FIVE TWELVE PM, ALL DEMONSTRATORS WERE BACK IN BROWN CHAPEL.

AS OF FIVE SIXTEEN PM CST, ~~JAMES~~ ^{ALA.} ORANGE, SNCC, WAS ADDRESSING THE GROUP IN BROWN CHAPEL. ACCORDING TO [REDACTED] THE DEMONSTRATORS PLAN TO LEAVE THE CHURCH, COME OUT TO THE STREET AND CONFRONT THE OFFICERS. IF THEY ARE NOT ALLOWED TO MARCH, THEY WILL SIT DOWN IN THE STREET FOR A SHORT PRAYER SERVICE, INCLUDING SINGING AND THEY RETURN TO THE CHURCH FOR A MASS MEETING LATER ON TONIGHT.

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AS OF FIVE THIRTY ONE PM CST, BOTH ENDS OF SYLVAN STREET ON WHICH BROWN CHAPEL IS LOCATED WERE BLOCKED BY ALABAMA STATE TROOPERS. CAPTAIN J. WILSON BAKER, PUBLIC SAFETY DIRECTOR, AND EIGHT MEMBERS OF SELMA CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT ON THE SCENE.

BUREAU AGENTS ON SCENE AND WILL OBSERVE MASS MEETING. DEPARTMENTAL ATTORNEY JOHN NIXON ON SCENE AT SELMA COGNIZANT.

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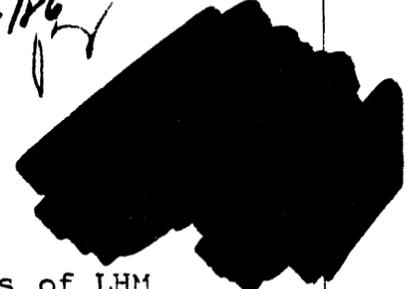
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Re San Francisco teletype 3/9/65.

Enclosed herewith are eight (8) copies of LHM concerning clergymen from the San Francisco area who went to Selma, Alabama. Two (2) copies are enclosed for Mobile.

Newspapers and sources advised that the following eight clergymen left San Francisco on the night of 3/8/65, to join in the civil rights march from Selma to Montgomery, Alabama:

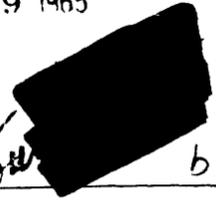
Reverend A. CECIL WILLIAMS of the Glide Foundation (Methodist); Reverend Canon FORT WAPPEN CROMEY, St. Aiden's Episcopal Church, San Francisco (see LHM); Reverend ANDREW JUVINALL, San Francisco Hamilton Methodist Church (see LHM); Reverend DONALD GARCUNG, Vicar, Good Samaritan Episcopal Church (see LHM); Reverend LAINE BARTON, St. Barnabas Episcopal Church (see LHM); PHILIP KAY, Student Pastor, Hunters Point Parish; Reverend ALFRED CARSON, Vicar, St. Lawrence Episcopal Church, Campbell; Reverend WALTER S. PRESS, National Christian Council of United Church of Christ (see LHM).

Separate and apart from the above, MARIO ROBERT SAVIO, leader and spokesman for the Free Speech Movement, University of California (see LHM).

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Newspapers and sources advised that the following
clergymen left San Francisco on the night of March 8, 1965,
to join in the civil rights march from Selma to Montgomery,
Alabama:

Reverend Canon ROBERT W. CROMLEY of St. Aidens
Episcopal Church, San Francisco.

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Reverend ANDREW JUVINALL, Hamilton Methodist Church,
San Francisco.

The "Palo Alto Times," Palo Alto, California, newspaper,
on July 12, 1951, reported that ANDREW JUVINALL, Methodist
Minister, was one of eight church leaders urging the U. S.
Supreme Court to reconsider its recent decision declaring the
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Reverend DONALD E. GANOUNG, Vicar, Good Samaritan
Episcopal Church, San Francisco.

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Reverend LANEY BARTON, St. Barnabas Episcopal Church,
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Reverend WALTER S. PRESS, National Christian Council
of United Church of Christ.

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SELMA, ALABAMA

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A characterization of the Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell is contained in the appendix.

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Also proceeding to Selma, Alabama, separate and apart from the above, is MARIO ROBERT SAVIO, who has received wide-spread publicity in both the press and on television as the leader and spokesman for the Free Speech Movement (FSM) at the University of California, Berkeley, California. SAVIO reportedly flew out of San Francisco March 8, 1965, to take part in a demonstration at Selma.

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COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE FOR MORTON SOBELL

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"Following the execution of atomic spies EDEL and JULIUS ROSENBERG in June, 1953, the 'Communist campaign assumed a different emphasis. Its major effort centered upon MORTON SOBELL,' the ROSENBERGS' codefendant. The National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case - a communist front which had been conducting the campaign in the United States - was reconstituted as the National Rosenberg-Sobell Committee at a conference in Chicago in October, 1953, and 'then as the National Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell in the Rosenberg Case'...."

("Guide to Subversive Organizations and Publications" dated December 1, 1961, issued by the House Committee on Un-American Activities, page 116.)

In September, 1954, the name "National Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell" appeared on literature issued by the Committee. In March, 1955, the current name, "Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell," first appeared on literature issued by the Committee.

The Address Telephone Directory for the Borough of Manhattan, New York City, as published by the New York Telephone Company on April 20, 1964, lists the "Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell" (CSJMS) as being located at 940 Broadway, New York, New York.

APPENDIX

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INDEPENDENT PROGRESSIVE PARTY

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The 1955 Report of the California Committee on Un-American Activities, Page 46, stated, "The Independent Progressive Party in California was quickly captured by the communists, and by the time the Wallace for President campaign had swung into high gear was being operated lock, stock, and barrel by the Communist Party of California. Time after time the committee in questioning witnesses throughout the State discovered that the leaders of the Communist Parties in various localities were identical with the leaders of the Independent Progressive Party in the same area. It is true, of course, that in the Independent Progressive Party there were many sincere liberals who, because of dissatisfaction with the two major political organizations registered as Independent Progressives and continued their affiliation until the true control of the I.P.P. became obvious. These people invariably resigned, many of them having given the benefit of their experience to various official agencies interested in the exposure of subversive activities."

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Reference San Francisco memorandum dated as above.

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL
(Priority)

To: Director, FBI
From: SAC, Indianapolis (157-141)

SELMA MARCH TO MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA

3/9/65

RACIAL MATTERS

DELECTION LAWS DALLAS COUNTY, ALA.

Enclosed for the Bureau are eight copies each of two letterhead memoranda, one pertaining to individuals reported in local newspaper as going to Selma and one reflecting information provided by [REDACTED]

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Two copies each of the memoranda are enclosed for Mobile.

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date 3-18-65
by [REDACTED]

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
 FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
 Indianapolis, Indiana

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March 12, 1965

SELMA MARCH TO MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA
 MARCH 9, 1965

complainant
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On March 9, 1965, [redacted] telephonically advised a representative of the Federal Bureau of Investigation at 7:56 PM that her husband, [redacted] had departed this date to participate in the civil rights demonstration at Selma, Alabama.

She advised her husband was traveling via Eastern Air Lines and would arrive at Montgomery, Alabama, at 7:38 PM on March 9, 1965, and would proceed to Selma, Alabama. b7c
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[redacted] identified her husband as [redacted] Indiana.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
Indianapolis, Indiana

March 12, 1965

SELMA MARCH TO MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA
MARCH 9, 1965

The "Indianapolis Star," a daily newspaper published in Indianapolis, Indiana, carried a story in its March 10, 1965, issue on Page 15 reflecting the names of the ministers from Indiana who participated in the civil rights march at Selma, Alabama.

The story revealed that Reverend Doctor Barton Hunter, the Reverend Garnett Day, and the Reverend Ian McCrae, all Disciples of Christ ministers from Indianapolis, were in Selma, Alabama.

Other Indiana ministers included the Reverend Joseph Schneiders, First Unitarian Church, South Bend, Indiana, and a member of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People; Reverend Edwin Norris, St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Gary, Indiana; and the Reverend John Adams, Woodmar Methodist Church, Hammond, Indiana.

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FBI SELMA ALA

10:00 AM URGENT 3-17-65 MMA

TO DIRECTOR /44-12831/
FROM MOBILE /SELMA/ 44-557/

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS, DALLAS COUNTY, ALA., VOTING DISCRIMINATION
Civil Rights - Election Law **DEFLECTION LAWS**
CR, ET.

RE MOTELS MARCH SIXTEEN LAST.

DURING EVENING HOURS OF MARCH SIXTEEN LAST APPROXIMATELY SIX HUNDRED DEMONSTRATORS, NEGRO AND WHITE, GATHERED IN FRONT OF BROWN CHAPEL AME CHURCH, SELMA, ALA. GROUP CONTINUED TO SIT AND STAND IN STREET IMMEDIATELY IN FRONT OF THE CHAPEL, SINGING AND CLAPPING.

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Central Standard Time
AT NINE-FORTY-FOUR PM CST, MARCH SIXTEEN LAST DALLAS

COUNTY SHERIFF JAMES G. CLARK, JR., ANNOUNCED TO THE CROWD ASSEMBLED THAT *U.S. District Judge* FRANK M. JOHNSON HAD PLACED A QUOTE "BAN" ON NIGHT MARCHES. AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE ANNOUNCEMENT, SHERIFF CLARK STATED QUOTE "IF ANYONE DOES NOT BELIEVE THIS ORDER, ITS VERACITY CAN BE CONFIRMED BY CALLING THE FBI" END QUOTE. SEVERAL CALLS WERE RECEIVED BY FBI, SELMA, FROM

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MR. BELMONT FOR THE DIRECTOR

W.D. Lynch CRP advised 3/17/65

[REDACTED] IMMEDIATELY AFTER THIS ANNOUNCEMENT. CALLERS WERE ADVISED THAT NO WORD HAD BEEN RECEIVED FROM JUDGE JOHNSON REGARDING THIS MARCHING BAN. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] CALLED THE FBI OFFICE, SELMA AND STATED THAT A CALL WOULD BE RECEIVED FROM JUDGE JOHNSON REGARDING THIS INFORMATION, HOWEVER THIS CALL WAS NOT RECEIVED BY THIS OFFICE.

[REDACTED] ADVISED THAT THERE WOULD BE A MEETING OF CLERGYMEN AT BROWN CHAPEL AME CHURCH AT NINE AM CST TODAY.

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AT ELEVEN PM CST MARCH SIXTEEN LAST, J. WILSON BAKER, PUBLIC SAFETY DIRECTOR, SELMA, HAD A CONFERENCE WITH WHITE CLERGYMEN. CLERGYMEN WERE UNDER THE IMPRESSION THAT A DEMONSTRATION SET FOR TEN AM TODAY WAS, SANTIONED BY LOCAL AUTHORITIES. BAKER ADVISED THE CLERGYMEN THAT NO PERMISSION HAD BEEN GIVEN FOR THIS DEMONSTRATION BUT PROMISED CONSIDERATION TO PERMIT A DEMONSTRATION AT SELMA TODAY. BAKER ASKED CLERGYMEN WHY THEY WEREN'T IN MONTGOMERY, ALA. ATTENDING THE MONTGOMERY DEMONSTRATION AND CLERGYMEN REPLIED THAT THE MONTGOMERY DEMONSTRATION IS A ^{STUDENT NON VIOLENT COORDINATING COMMITTEE} ~~QUOTE~~ SNCC OPERATION WHILE SELMA ^{SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE} IS A SCLC OPERATION ~~END QUOTE~~.

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AT ELEVEN THIRTY - FIVE PM, MARCH SIXTEEN LAST AN UNIDENTIFIED CLERGYMAN ADVISED THAT PLANS FOR MARCH SEVENTEEN INSTANT WERE TO MARCH TO THE DALLAS COUNTY COURTHOUSE IN PROTEST OF VOTER REGISTRATION METHODS. THIS CLERGYMAN STATED THAT THESE PLANS REMAINED UNCHANGED. HE ALSO STATED THAT GROUPS OF FIVE OR SIX CLERGYMEN WOULD BE SENT TO THE SURROUNDING COUNTIES TODAY TO ~~quote~~ STIR UP INTEREST IN THE VOTING MOVEMENT ~~END QUOTE~~.

AT EIGHT THIRTY- ONE AM CST TODAY [REDACTED] LEFT FOR MONTGOMERY, ALA. PRIOR TO LEAVING, [REDACTED] STATED THAT HE PLANS A MASS MEETING IN SELMA FOR TEN AM TODAY. AT THIS MEETING [REDACTED] STATED PLANS WILL BE FORMULATED FOR DEMONSTRATIONS IN SELMA AND MONTGOMERY, ALA.

BUAGENTS ON SCENE AND WILL COVER THIS MEETING.

JOHN NIXON, DEPARTMENTAL ATTORNEY ON SCENE AT SELMA ADVISED.

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March 17, 1965

GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION

The Department is being
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Date: 3/17/65

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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-12831)
FROM: SAC, LOUISVILLE (56-165) (RUC)
SUBJECT: REGISTRARS OF VOTERS
DALLAS COUNTY, ALABAMA
VOTING DISCRIMINATION ELECTION LAWS
CR - EL

Re conference Bureau airtel dated 3/13/65 and Louisville teletype to Bureau and New York dated 3/15/65.

[redacted] Associated Press, advised SA [redacted] on 3/16/65 that AP Bureau Offices at St. Louis, Boston, Birmingham, and Detroit as well as Louisville all had negatives in their files of the photographs referred to in Bureau airtel dated 3/13/65. [redacted] advised, however, none of the Bureau Chiefs in those cities would have authority to make the negative or a photograph from the negative available to the FBI and that such authority would have to be secured through the Associated Press News Photos at New York City. b7c

[redacted] advised on 3/17/65 that he had personally discussed with [redacted] of the Associated Press at New York, the request of the FBI concerning the photograph desired from the Louisville AP Bureau. He said [redacted] told him that the FBI had

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secured copies of all photographs which they requested which he believed indicated those mentioned in referenced Bureau airtel. [redacted] said that if the FBI did not receive the photographs it was an oversight and if the FBI will request them at New York they can be obtained. b7c

[redacted] pointed out that the New York Office of the Associated Press has on file there the actual photographic negatives of photographs sent out by the Associated Press on the AP Wire Service and that reproduction from those negatives would be of much better quality than the reproduction made from the Associated Press Wire photograph negatives or prints made from those negatives by the respective papers in the towns referred to.

No further efforts being made in Louisville to obtain photographs UACB.

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Date: 3/15/65

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Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL-REGISTERED
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, BIRMINGHAM (157-884) (P)

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS
DALLAS COUNTY, ALABAMA,
VOTING DISCRIMINATION
CIVIL RIGHTS/ELECTION LAWS

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Re Birmingham teletype to Bureau dated 3/8/65.

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are the original and four copies of a letterhead memorandum relating to captioned matter.

Two copies of this memorandum have been furnished the Mobile Division.

An information copy has been furnished for the Atlanta Division.

Details pertaining in part to information enclosed in this letterhead memorandum have been previously made available under separate letterhead memorandum.

- 3-Bureau (AM-RM) (Enc. 5)
- 2-Mobile (AM-RM) (Enc. 2)
- 1-Atlanta (AM-RM) (Enc. 1) (Info.)
- 2-Birmingham (1-157-884)
- (8) [Redacted] (1-100-3080)

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Not. Info in attached furnished to W. Quaintance telephonically 3/19/65. State & local authorities have been advised.

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1cc to [Redacted] Service

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Approved: *[Signature]*
Special Agent in Charge

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

1400 - 2121 Building

Birmingham, Alabama, 35203

March 15, 1965

RE: REGISTRARS OF VOTERS
DALLAS COUNTY, ALABAMA,
VOTING DISCRIMINATION

On March 8, 1965, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Alabama, advised that an anonymous call had been received at 8:10 p.m. on the same date from a male caller who stated he had just received a call from an out-of-state friend, not further identified, who remarked the Ku Klux Klan would be waiting for Martin Luther King on his way to Montgomery, tomorrow. According to [REDACTED] afterwards, the caller hung up the telephone.

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PM CST 3-16-65

URGENT LMS

TO DIRECTOR (44-12831)

FROM MOBILE (SELMA) (44-557)

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS, DALLAS COUNTY, ALABAMA, VOTING
Civil Rights Election Laws
DISCRIMINATION, CR, FL.

REMOTELS EARLIER TODAY.

CENTRAL STANDARD TIME

AT FIVE FIFTYFIVE P.M., CST, TODAY, A GROUP OF DEMONSTRATORS
LEFT BROWN CHAPEL AME CHURCH HOLDING HANDS AT FOUR ABREAST.

THESE DEMONSTRATORS WERE CONFRONTED BY CAPTAIN J. WILSON

BAKER, SAFETY DIRECTOR, SELMA, IMMEDIATELY OUTSIDE OF

BROWN CHAPEL CHURCH. HE INSTRUCTED THE DEMONSTRATORS THAT

HE WOULD NOT PERMIT A MARCH AS HE HAD NO PROVISIONS FOR
SECURITY TO PROTECT THE DEMONSTRATORS.

AT SIX P.M. BAKER PERMITTED TWO MARCHERS TO PROCEED
TO THE DALLAS COUNTY COURTHOUSE, HOWEVER THEY ONLY WALKED
APPROXIMATELY FIFTEEN FEET, HALTED AND RETURNED TO THE
GROUP OF DEMONSTRATORS.

AT SIX ZERO NINE P.M. SHERIFF JAMES G. CLARK, JR., DALLAS
COUNTY, WAS OBSERVED IN THE AREA. AS HE APPROACHED THE
DEMONSTRATORS THEY WERE SINGING ~~SOME~~ "I LOVE JIM CLARK"

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cc: Mr. ROSEN



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IN MY HEART "UNQUOTE. IMMEDIATELY THEREAFTER THE DEMONSTRATORS TOOK A SITTING POSITION IN THE STREET IMMEDIATELY IN FRONT OF BROWN CHAPEL CHURCH. THE DEMONSTRATORS COVERED THE ENTIRE BLOCK OF SYLVAN STREET, THE BLOCK IN WHICH BROWN CHAPEL CHURCH IS LOCATED.

AT SIX THIRTYSEVEN P.M. SHERIFF CLARK LEFT THE AREA.

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AT SIX FIFTYFIVE P.M. CHARLES JONES AND FIRST NAME UNKNOWN GREEN OF THE SELMA POLICE DEPARTMENT WERE SQUIRTED WITH SOME TYPE OF LIQUID WHILE STANDING IN FRONT OF TTHE DEMONSTRATORS.

AT SEVEN ZERO EIGHT P.M. [REDACTED] ADVISED THAT CAPTAIN BAKER WOULD ANNOUNCE TO THIS GROUP THAT ALABAMA GOVERNOR GEORGE C. WALLACE HAD DECREED TEN MORE VOTER

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REGISTRATION DAYS IN THIS STATE THROUGHOUT THIS MONTH,
HOWEVER BAKER HAD NOT MADE THIS ANNOUNCEMENT TO THIS CROWD
AS YET.

HOSEA WILLIAMS, ^{SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE} ~~SCLC~~, ADVISED [REDACTED] THAT THE
DEMONSTRATORS WOULD PROBABLY HAVE A MASS MEETING IN SELMA
THIS EVENING. DUE TO THE LARGE CROWD ON HAND WILLIAMS STATED
THAT THIS MEETING MIGHT BE HELD IN FRONT OF THE CHURCH AND
THAT DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING WOULD BE THE PRINCIPAL SPEAKER.

AT EIGHT SIXTEEN P.M., C.T. VIVIAN, ADVISED [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] THAT AS OF THIS TIME DR. KING HAD NOT ARRIVED IN
SELMA FROM MONTGOMERY. VIVIAN STATED KING IS STILL EXPECTED
TO ADDRESS THE DEMONSTRATORS THIS EVENING AND THAT HE,
VIVIAN, OR KING WOULD DEPART SELMA FOR MONTGOMERY EARLY
MARCH SEVENTEEN NEXT TO LEAD A MARCH OF DEMONSTRATORS IN
MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA.

[REDACTED] FURNISHED A COPY OF A MOTION FILED IN
U.S DISTRICT COURT, MIDDLE DISTRICT OF ALABAMA, TODAY UNDER
CIVIL ACTION NUMBER TWO ONE EIGHT ONE DASH N, ENTITLED
HOSEA WILLIAMS, ET AL, PLAINTIFFS, VS. HONORABLE GEORGE
C. WALLACE AS GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF ALABAMA, ET AL,
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DEFENDANTS. THIS MOTION IS CAPTIONED ~~QUOTE~~ "PLAINTIFFS' PROPOSED PLAN FOR MARCH FROM SELMA, ALABAMA TO MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA" ~~UNQUOTE~~. THE MOTION ~~IN~~ IN SUBSTANCE SETS FORTH THAT THE MARCH WILL COMMENCE FRIDAY MARCH NINETEEN NEXT AT TEN A.M. OR ANY DAY THEREAFTER PROVIDED PLAINTIFFS FURNISH FORTYEIGHT HOURS ADVANCE NOTICE OF MARCH TO DEFENDANTS, THE UNITED STATES, AND THE COURT. NO LIMITATION OF NUMBER OF MARCHERS ON FOUR LANE PORTIONS OF HIGHWAY NUMBER EIGHTY AND ON TWO LANE PORTIONS THE LIMIT WILL BE THREE HUNDRED. DISTANCE TO BE COVERED ON FIRST DAY ELEVEN MILES, SECOND DAY ELEVEN MILES, THIRD DAY SEVENTEEN MILES, FOURTH DAY EIGHT MILES AND FIFTH DAY THE MARCH WILL BE ON FROM THE WESTERN PART OF MONTGOMERY TO THE CAPITAL. LARGE CAMP SITES WILL BE ERECTED EN ROUTE WITH MEETINGS AND SONG/FESTIVALS TO BE HELD.

THE MOTION FURTHER SETS FORTH THE ROUTE OF THE MARCH, SUPPORTING SERVICES, AND THAT LIAISON WILL BE ESTABLISHED WITH STATE AND LOCAL OFFICIALS.

AT THE COMPLETION OF THE MARCH A MASS MEETING IS TO BE HELD IN FRONT OF THE ALABAMA STATE CAPITOL IN AN
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OUTDOOR PROGRAM TYPE MEETING. THEREAFTER TWENTY PERSONS
WILL SEEK A MEETING WITH THE GOVERNOR AND PRESENT A
PETITION. THIS MOTION WAS RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED BY THE
ATTORNEYS FOR THE PLAINTIFFS, PETER HALL, BIRMINGHAM,
GRAY AND SEAY, MONTGOMERY, JACK GREENBERG, NORMAN AMAKER,
; CHARLES H. JONES, JR., AND JAMES M. NABRIT, THE THIRD OF
NEW YORK CITY.

BUREAU AGENTS ARE ON SCENE. DEPARTMENTAL ATTORNEY
JOHN NIXON ON SCENE AT SELMA ADVISED.

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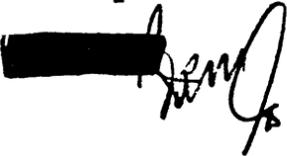
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Approximately 300 demonstrators, about half of whom were clergymen, were prevented from marching from Brown Chapel to the Dallas County Court House, Selma, Alabama, by local authorities the late afternoon of 3/16/65. There were no arrests.

Attached teletype relates subsequent attempt by the demonstrators to march on the Court House.

The Selma Resident Agency has subsequently advised that no formal mass meeting was held the evening of 3/16/65 although approximately 700 demonstrators gathered in front of the Brown Chapel and sang. Martin Luther King did not address the group.

The Civil Rights Division of the Department is kept currently advised of developments.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

- Tolson _____
- Belmont _____
- Mohr _____
- DeLoach _____
- Casper _____
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TO : Mr. Rosen *RD*

DATE : March 17, 1965

FROM : C. L. McGowan *CM*

1 - Mr. Rosen
 1 - Mr. Malley
 1 - Mr. McGowan

SUBJECT : REGISTRARS OF VOTERS
DALLAS COUNTY, ALABAMA
VOTING DISCRIMINATION
CIVIL RIGHTS - ELECTION LAWS

1 - [REDACTED] *b7c*
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With reference to Mobile teletype to Bureau 3/17/65, concerning Major Cloud's testimony and in particular page six concerning the denial that any Agents held conferences with Cloud and Lingo, Inspector Joseph Sullivan was telephonically contacted at 8:45 p. m. this date to clarify the information.

Inspector Sullivan advised that no Agent on duty at Selma had ever offered an opinion, comment or recommendation to Cloud or Lingo concerning the State Troopers' plans to handle demonstrations or demonstrators.

ACTION:

The above is set forth to clarify the information set forth in the above-referred-to teletype.

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Date: 3/16/65

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Via AIRTEL _____
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, DETROIT (44-NEW) (RUC)

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS
DALLAS COUNTY, ALABAMA
VOTING DISCRIMINATION
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DEFLECTION LAWS

Re Bureau airtel to Mobile, dated 3/13/65.

There are enclosed 20 copies of AP photographs which appeared
in the "Detroit News", 3/8/65.

- 3 - Bureau (Enc. 20) (REGISTERED)
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20 copies of photos
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TELETYPE

FBI SELMA ALA

3:25PM CST URGENT 3-16-65 MFH

TO DIRECTOR (44-12831)

FROM MOBILE (44-557) (SELMA)

Election Laws

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS, DALLAS COUNTY, ALA., VOTING DISCRIMINATION, CR. ET.

REMOTEL EARLIER TODAY.

AT NINE THIRTY SEVEN AM ^{Central Standard Time} ~~GST~~ TODAY, REVEREND JAMES BEVEL, ^{Southern Christian Leadership Conference}

SELES, ADDRESSED A GROUP OF APPROXIMATELY ONE HUNDRED FIFTY

INDIVIDUALS AT BROWN CHAPEL AME CHURCH, SELMA, ALA. BEVEL

TOLD THIS GROUP THAT QUOTE "THEY ARE TRYING AT PRESENT END

QUOTE TO GET A COURT ORDER FROM ^{US District Judge} FRANK M. JOHNSON, JR.,

MONTGOMERY, ALA., AUTHORIZING A MARCH FROM SELMA TO MONTGOMERY,

ALA. SHOULD THIS BE OBTAINED, BEVEL SAID HE PLANNED

TO GET AS MANY INDIVIDUALS AS POSSIBLE TO ENGAGE IN THIS MARCH,

HOPING FOR AT LEAST TWO THOUSAND PERSONS. THEY WOULD MARCH

ABOUT FIFTEEN MILES OUT OF SELMA AS A TOKEN MARCH, THEN THE

MAJORITY OF THESE INDIVIDUALS WOULD MOTOR BY BUS THE REMAINING

DISTANCE TO MONTGOMERY, ALA. BEVEL PLANNED TO KEEP ONLY

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THREE HUNDRED IN THE GROUP TO MARCH THE ENTIRE DISTANCE. BEVEL SAID ABOUT FIFTEEN MILES OUTSIDE OF MONTGOMERY THE ORIGINAL MARCHERS WOULD ASSEMBLE AND JOIN THE MARCH INTO MONTGOMERY PROPER. BEVEL ALSO STATED THE DEMONSTRATORS WOULD HOLD RALLIES IN VARIOUS SMALL TOWNS EN ROUTE FROM SELMA TO MONTGOMERY.

UPON INQUIRY FROM ATTENDING DEMONSTRATORS, BEVEL SAID NOTHING WAS PLANNED FOR SELMA AT PRESENT AND INSTRUCTED THE DEMONSTRATORS PRESENT TO GO TO ~~QUOTE~~ "OUTLYING COUNTIES AND ENGAGE IN VOTER REGISTRATION WORK" ~~END QUOTE~~.

AT TEN TWENTY NINE AM ~~EST~~ ^{CENTRAL STANDARD TIME} TODAY NO ACTIVITY AT CHURCH. APPROXIMATELY ONE TWO FIVE INDIVIDUALS OBSERVED ON OUTSIDE OF CHURCH IN GENERAL AREA AND NINETEEN OBSERVED INSIDE CHURCH.

APPROXIMATELY ~~FOR~~ ^{FORTY -} FORTY FIVE CLERGYMEN WERE OBSERVED IN THE AREA WITH LUGGAGE, APPARENTLY LEAVING SELMA.

AT TWELVE TEN PM TODAY, DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. WAS HOLDING A ^PRESS CONFERENCE AT THE HOME OF DR. SULLIVAN JACKSON IN SELMA. KING COMPLETED HIS PRESS CONFERENCE AT ONE TWELVE PM TODAY. [REDACTED] ADVISED THAT KING DISCUSSED THE PLANNED MARCH TO MONTGOMERY AND STATED THAT THE DEMONSTRATORS WILL

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CONTINUE THEIR ACTIVITIES REGARDING VOTER REGISTRATION IN THE
OUTLYING COUNTIES AROUND SELMA, ALA. UNTIL SUCH TIME AS THE
VOTER REGISTRATION BILL IS PASSED BY CONGRESS. KING ALSO STATED
THAT TOMORROW, MARCH SEVENTEEN, NINETEEN SIXTY FIVE, HE WILL
TRAVEL TO THESE OUTLYING COUNTIES, TAKING WITH HIM THE VISIT-
ING CLERGY THAT ARE PRESENTLY IN SELMA, ^{ALABAMA} ALA.

BUAGENTS ARE ON SCENE AT SELMA.

DEPARTMENTAL ATTORNEY JOHN NIXON ON SCENE AT SELMA BEING
KEPT ADVISED.

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CC MR ROSEN

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GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION

The Civil Rights Division is
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contained in attached.

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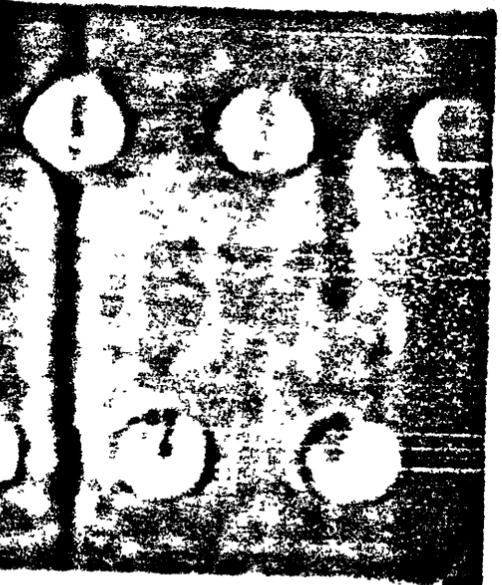
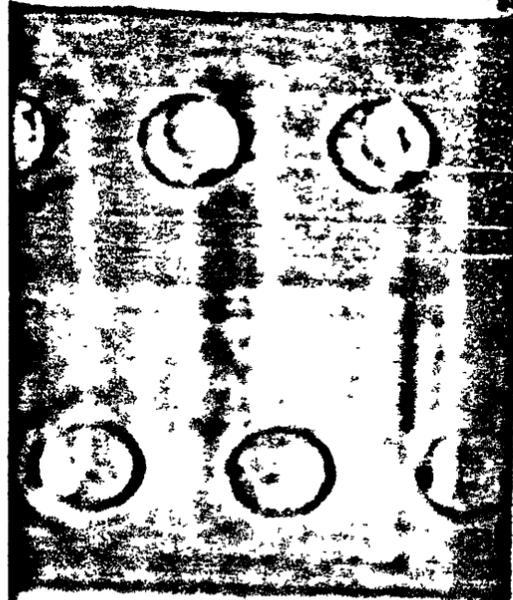
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TO DIRECTOR

FROM MOBILE 44-5571 1P

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REGISTRARS OF VOTERS, DALLAS COUNTY, ALABAMA,

VOTING DISCRIMINATION, CR - EL.

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cc - Mr. Rosen

MR. MOHR FOR THE DIRECTOR

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Mr. Casper	✓
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Mr. Felt	✓
Mr. Gale	✓
Mr. Rosen	✓
Mr. Sullivan	✓
Mr. Tavel	✓
Mr. Trotter	✓
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Miss Holmes	✓
Miss Gandy	✓

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10:20AMCST URGENT 3-16-65 MFH
TO DIRECTOR (44-12831)
FROM MOBILE (SELMA) (44-557)

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REGISTRARS OF VOTERS, DALLAS COUNTY, ALA., VOTING DISCRIMINATION, Civil Rights - Election Laws, GR, EL.

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RE MOTELS MARCH FIFTEEN LAST.

SCHEDULED MASS MEETING AT BROWN CHAPEL AME CHURCH, SELMA, ALA. WAS NOT HELD AS PLANNED. EXECUTIVE MEETING HELD AT DR. SULLIVAN JACKSON'S HOME, ONE FOUR ONE SIX LAPSLEY ST., SELMA, WITH DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., HOSEA WILLIAMS AND REVEREND ANDREW YOUNG IN ATTENDANCE. AT TEN THIRTY FIVE P.M. CST

CENTRAL STANDARD TIME

MARCH FIFTEEN LAST ABOUT FOUR HUNDRED PEOPLE ASSEMBLED ON A BASKETBALL COURT IN THE REAR OF THE CHURCH WITH A PORTABLE RECORD PLAYER. DANCING ENSUED UNTIL APPROXIMATELY ELEVEN THIRTY P.M.

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DURING THE EARLY MORNING HOURS, EVIDENCE NOTED OF PERSONS LEAVING BROWN CHAPEL AREA WITH LUGGAGE.

A GREYHOUND BUS ARRIVED AT BROWN CHAPEL AT SEVEN THIRTEEN
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J. Lynch
advised 2/16/65
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AM TODAY CARRYING REPRESENTATIVES OF THE INTERDENOMINATIONAL THEOLOGICAL CENTER FROM ATLANTA, ^{Georgia} GA. TWO WHITE INDIVIDUALS WERE NOTED ON THIS BUS, WHICH WAS PREDOMINANTLY NEGRO.

AT EIGHT TWENTY THREE AM TODAY [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ADVISED THAT IN DISCUSSION ^{Southern Christian Leadership Conference} WITH HOSEA WILLIAMS, ~~SELE~~, WILLIAMS INDICATED HE AND SOME ATTORNEYS WOULD MEET WITH ^{US District Judge} ~~USBJ~~ FRANK M. JOHNSON, JR. IN REGARD TO A MARCH FROM SELMA TO MONTGOMERY, ^{Alabama} ALA. ACCORDING TO WILLIAMS, THE MARCHERS WOULD LEAVE BROWN CHAPEL AME CHURCH AND MARCH OVER THE EDMUND PETTUS BRIDGE. A TOKEN GROUP WOULD THEN CONTINUE THE MARCH TO MONTGOMERY, AND THE REST OF THE MARCHERS WOULD CONTINUE TO MONTGOMERY BY BUS. THIS ACTION IS PRESENTLY PLANNED FOR THURSDAY, MARCH EIGHTEEN NEXT.

^{Acting Assistant Attorney General} ~~AAG~~ JOHN DOAR ADVISED YESTERDAY IN THE DISCUSSION WITH ^{US District Judge} ~~USBJ~~ JOHNSON THERE MAY BE A POSSIBILITY OF AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN BOTH PARTIES IN REGARD TO THIS PLANNED MARCH WITHOUT ENTERING A COURT ORDER. IF THIS IS DONE IT WOULD NOT PREJUDICE THE GOVERNMENT'S POSITION AS TO ANY CRIMINAL OR OTHER ACTION ARISING OUT OF THE PRESENT HEARING BEING HELD IN JOHNSON'S COURT IN MONTGOMERY, ^{Alabama} ALA.

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[REDACTED] ADVISED AT NINE ZERO FIVE AM TODAY
THAT THERE WILL BE A POLICY MEETING WITH THE LEADERS OF THE
NEGRO MOVEMENT AT TWELVE NOON TODAY TO DISCUSS THE POLICY
FOR THE REST OF THE PRESENT WEEK. THIS MEETING WILL BE
HEADED BY DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

BUAGENTS REMAIN ^N OF THE SCENE AT SELMA AND WILL ATEMPT
TO COVER ALL MEETINGS HELD.

DEPARTMENTAL ATTORNEY JOHN NIXON, ON SCENE AT SELMA,
COGNIZANT.

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March 16, 1965
GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION

The mass meeting referred to in attached was originally scheduled at Brown's Chapel AME Church 7:30 p.m., 3/15/65.

The hearing presently being held in Judge Johnson's court concerns a petition to enjoin authorities of the State of Alabama from interfering with Negro demonstrators.

The Civil Rights Division of the Department is being advised of the information in attached.

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Date: 3/16/65

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Via AIRTEL _____
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-12831)

FROM: SAC, MOBILE (SELMA) (44-557) (P)

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS, DALLAS COUNTY, ALABAMA,
VOTING DISCRIMINATION
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2 Enclosures

Enclosed for the Bureau are ten copies of a
letterhead memorandum dated 3/16/65 containing informa-
tion re alleged shooting incident as reported telephoni-
cally by [REDACTED]

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Copies of this letterhead memorandum are being
furnished to Departmental Attorneys, Selma, and to USA,
Mobile.

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Approved: [Signature]
Special Agent in Charge

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Mobile, Alabama
March 16, 1965

Re: REGISTRARS OF VOTERS,
DALLAS COUNTY, ALABAMA,
VOTING DISCRIMINATION
CIVIL RIGHTS; ELECTION LAWS

On March 15, 1965, [REDACTED] telephonically contacted the Selma Resident Agency and excitedly advised that a person had been shot. When questioned further concerning this incident, he stated the person was not shot but was "shot at."

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This information was immediately relayed to FBI Agents on the scene at Brown's Chapel Church and the following interviews were conducted:

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 3/16/65

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[redacted] female Negro, [redacted]
[redacted] furnished the following information at Brown AME
Chapel: Selma, Ala

She advised that at approximately 7:15 p.m.,
March 15, 1965, she and her husband, [redacted] were
walking home and proceeding east on Selma Avenue. She
further advised that as they neared the intersection with
St. Ann's Street, she heard something strike a concrete
wall near where they were walking. She stated she believed
someone had fired a shot at them but did not see or hear
a gun being fired.

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[redacted] stated the only thing she observed in
the area was an Alabama Highway Patrol car proceeding west
on Selma Avenue, and she is of the opinion this shot may
have originated from the patrol car.

[redacted] also stated she was not struck by
this object and could furnish no explanation as to why the
shot was fired.

On 3/15/65 at Selma, Alabama File # MO 44-557

by SA [redacted] Date dictated 3/16/65

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Date 3/16/651

[redacted] male Negro, [redacted] furnished the following information at Brown AME Chapel:

[redacted] advised at approximately 7:15 p.m., March 15, 1965, he and his wife, [redacted] were walking home. He further advised they were walking east on Selma Avenue near St. Ann's Street, when they were shot at by an unknown person or persons.

[redacted] stated he did not see anyone with a gun, nor did he hear a shot but advised something struck a wall near where he and his wife were walking, and he is of the opinion the object was a pellet of the type fired from a pellet gun.

[redacted] also stated he observed an Alabama Highway Patrol car proceeding west on Selma Avenue at the time of this incident, and he thought the pellet may have been fired from this patrol car. [redacted] advised that neither he nor his wife were hit and could furnish no information as to why anyone may have fired this shot.

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by SA [redacted] Date dictated 3/16/65 b7c

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Date 3/16/65

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[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Selma, Alabama, furnished the following information at Brown AME Chapel:

He advised [REDACTED] on the evening of March 13, 1965, that an unknown person or persons were firing a pellet gun in the area of Brown AME Chapel.

[REDACTED] further advised pellets were being fired at a make-shift tent which had been erected on Sylvan Street by racial demonstrators for the purpose of protecting them from the weather while maintaining an all-night vigil.

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On 3/15/65 at Selma, Alabama File # MO 44-557

by SA [REDACTED] Date dictated 3/16/65

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REGISTRARS OF VOTERS, DALLAS COUNTY,
ALABAMA, VOTING DISCRIMINATION

On March 16, 1965, Departmental Attorney John Nixon was advised of the information contained herein and he stated he desired no further investigation in this matter at this time.

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Date: 3/16/65

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Via AIRTEL _____
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-12831)
FROM: SAC, MOBILE (SELMA) (44-557) (P)

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS,
DALLAS COUNTY, ALABAMA,
VOTING DISCRIMINATION
CR; EL

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Transmitted herewith are ten copies of a letterhead memorandum containing information obtained from [redacted] who appeared at the Dallas County Sheriff's Office, Selma, Alabama, on 3/15/65 to register the complaint; one copy of this letterhead memorandum is furnished Chicago for information inasmuch as [redacted] may subsequently contact the Chicago Office in reference to this matter.

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As noted the incident involving [redacted] according to his statement, occurred on 3/10; however, he did not report same for five days.

Agent obtaining above statement was SA [redacted]

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Copy of enclosed letterhead memorandum furnished to Departmental Attorney, Selma, and USA, Mobile, Ala.

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- 1 - Chicago (Info) (Enc. 1)
- 2 - Mobile

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Approved: [Signature]
Special Agent in Charge

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Mobile, Alabama
March 16, 1965

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS,
DALLAS COUNTY, ALABAMA,
VOTING DISCRIMINATION

On March 15, 1965, the following statement was
obtained from [REDACTED]

"3/15/65
Selma, Ala.

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"I [REDACTED] furnish the follow-
ing free & voluntary statement of [REDACTED]
& [REDACTED] who have identified themselves
to me as Special Agents of the FBI. [REDACTED]

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"On Wednesday March 10, 1965 at approxi-
mately 2:30 pm I was walking alone on Jeff Davis
Ave. in Selma Alabama in the direction of Broad St.
between Sylvan & Lawrence Sts. I was confronted
by a line of uniformed officers I believed to be
state officers. As I reached the line one of the
officers said 'move back nigger.' I informed this
man I was on my way to the church and he responded
'I told you to move back nigger.' With this he
struck me about 5 times about the shoulders and
arms. The blows were not hard & resulted in no
serious injury. While he was striking me the
trooper standing next to this officer restrained
him from any further action in striking me. I
was then allowed to walk freely.

"I then went to the Selma City Hall to
register a complaint. I was told there the matter
was a state affair & should be reported to the
Dallas County Courthouse. When I arrived at the
courthouse I found it to be surrounded by state
troopers who did not allow me to pass.

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REGISTRARS OF VOTERS,
DALLAS COUNTY, ALABAMA,
VOTING DISCRIMINATION

"On Thursday, March 11, 1965 I returned to Chicago & returned again to Selma the morning of March 15, 1965.

"The trooper that struck me was a white, male about 55 years old. He was about 6 feet tall, with a ruddy complexion and weighed about 180 pounds. I recall observing a badge with the number 63 being worn on the left side of the trooper's shirt.

"I have read this two page statement and it is true to the best of my knowledge_

"/s/ [REDACTED]

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"Witnessed:

"/s/ [REDACTED] SA, FBI, Mobile, Ala.
/s/ [REDACTED] SA., FBI, Jacksonville, Fla."

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In addition to the above statement, [REDACTED] advised that [REDACTED] a Negro male, age 21, was present on the scene when the above incident occurred. B. APPROX. 9/4

[REDACTED] advised he arrived initially in Selma, Alabama, on March 9, 1965, and he was in Selma at the invitation of [REDACTED] headed by [REDACTED] of Chicago, Illinois. He resided at [REDACTED] Selma, while in this area.

[REDACTED] is described as follows:

Race	Negro
Sex	Male
Date and place of birth	[REDACTED] Illinois
Height	[REDACTED]
Weight	[REDACTED]
Hair	[REDACTED]
Eyes	[REDACTED]
Residence	[REDACTED] Illinois

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DALLAS COUNTY, ALABAMA,
VOTING DISCRIMINATION

Description of [REDACTED] (Cont'd.):

Education [REDACTED]

Occupation [REDACTED]
Employment [REDACTED]

Military service None

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On March 16, 1965, the above was discussed with Departmental Attorney JOHN NIXON on scene at Selma, and he stated at this time he desired no further investigation in regard to this matter, however, supplemental investigation might possibly be requested at a later date.

RE: BERNARD S. LEE V. CLARENCE M. KELLEY, ET AL.
(U.S.D.C, D.C.) CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 76-1185

SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC)
V. CLARENCE M. KELLY, ET AL (U.S.D.C., D.C.)
CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 76-1186

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Smith, Jr., and sent to National Archives.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO Mr. Belmont *Woo*

FROM A. Rosen *AR*

SUBJECT REGISTRARS OF VOTERS
DALLAS COUNTY, ALABAMA
VOTING DISCRIMINATION
CIVIL RIGHTS; ELECTION LAWS

DATE: March 15, 1965

- 1 - Mr. Mohr
- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. Rosen
- 1 - Mr. McGowan
- 1 - [REDACTED]

Tolson	_____
Belmont	_____
Mohr	_____
DeLoach	_____
Casper	_____
Callahan	_____
Conrad	_____
Felt	_____
Gale	_____
Rosen	_____
Sullivan	_____
Tavel	_____
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Holmes	_____
Gandy	_____

McGowan
Ala.
EB 3-67c

With reference to prior information indicating that Sheriff Clark and J. Wilson Baker, Public Safety Director, Selma, were attempting to negotiate an agreement with Negro leaders concerning a march in protest of death of Reverend James Reeb on the Dallas County Court House, Selma, Alabama, SAC Dalness has telephonically furnished the following information.

As a result of an agreement reached, at approximately 5:50 p. m. Washington time the Negroes will march to the Dallas County Court House three abreast where they will spend approximately five minutes conducting a prayer meeting and thereafter they will return to the Brown Chapel AME Church and instructions will be issued to discontinue the 24 hour vigil which the Negroes have been maintaining in protest of the refusal of local authorities to allow them to march to the Court House.

ACTION:

Pertinent information set forth above is being furnished to the Civil Rights Division of the Department. Mobile is following the matter closely and will keep the Bureau advised of all pertinent developments.

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Mr. Belmont	✓
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FBI SELMA ALA

9:03PM CST URGENT 3-15-65 MFH

TO DIRECTOR (44-12831)

FROM MOBILE (SELMA) (44-557)

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS, DALLAS COUNTY, ALA., VOTING DISCRIMINATION, ~~CR, EL~~

REMOTELS TODAY.

AS OF TWELVE NOON ^{CENTRAL STANDARD TIME} ~~CST~~, NINETY NINE INDIVIDUALS HAD REGISTERED AT THE VOTING REGISTRATION BOARD, DALLAS COUNTY COURT HOUSE, SELMA, ALA. THE FIRST NUMBER CALLED WAS TWO FIVE TWO; LAST NUMBER CALLED ONE ZERO SIX TWO. FORTY FIVE INDIVIDUALS SIGNED THE DALLAS COUNTY VOTER APPEARANCE BOOK, WITH NUMBER TWO SIX ONE ZERO BEING THE FIRST NUMBER ISSUED AND TWO SIX FIVE FOUR LAST NUMBER ISSUED. OF THESE INDIVIDUALS, FORTY-FOUR WERE NEGROES.

AT ONE THIRTY SIX P.M. A CONFERENCE WAS HELD BY MAYOR JOSEPH SMITHERMAN, SELMA, ATTENDED BY PUBLIC SAFETY DIRECTOR J. WILSON BAKER, SHERIFF JAMES G. CLARKE, JR., AND REVEREND FREDERICK D. REESE, PRESIDENT, DALLAS COUNTY

END **66 MAR 26 1965** MR. BELMONT FOR THE DIRECTOR

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VOTERS LEAGUE AT THE CONFRONTATION POINT BROWN CHAPEL
AME CHURCH. AT THIS MEETING, SHERIFF CLARKE READ A PREPARED
STATEMENT RELATING THE WISHES OF ^{U.S. DISTRICT JUDGE} ~~US~~ DJ DANIEL H. THOMAS, ^{Southern District of} ~~SDA~~ ALABAMA
AT MOBILE, TO THE NEGRO LEADERS. SHERIFF CLARKE TOLD THESE
INDIVIDUALS THAT THIS INFORMATION WAS JUDGE THOMAS' ~~QUOTE~~
"ORDER ~~END QUOTE~~". THE NEGRO LEADERS TURNED DOWN THE DISCUSSED
MARCHING PLAN AS THE ORDER CALLED FOR MARCHERS TO WALK TWO
ABREAST, WHEREAS THE NEGRO LEADERS REQUESTED A MARCH TO
CONSIST OF THREE ABREAST.

AT TWO TWENTY FIVE P.M. SHERIFF CLARKE ADVISED [REDACTED] b7D
[REDACTED] THAT HE HAD ATTEMPTED TO GET ~~QUOTE~~ "NEGRO LEADERS
TOGETHER" ~~END QUOTE~~ HOWEVER THE LEADERS AT THIS TIME WERE
CONDUCTING A MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR REVEREND JAMES REEB AND
WOULD NOT LEAVE THE SERVICE.

AT THREE P.M. CST [REDACTED] ADVISED THAT REVEREND JAMES b7D
^{Southern Christian Leadership Conference} BEVEL AND REVEREND ANDREW YOUNG, BOTH ~~SCLC~~, HAD AGREED TO
MARCH TO THE DALLAS COUNTY COURT HOUSE USING THE SIDEWALK.
HOSEA WILLIAMS, SCLC, DISAGREED, ^{Requesting +} ~~Requesting +~~ THE CITY OF
SELMA ALLOW THE MARCHERS TO UTILIZE THE STREET FOR THIS
MARCH.

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AT THREE P.M. TODAY DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. ARRIVED AT BROWN CHAPEL AME CHURCH. [REDACTED] ADVISED THAT MARTIN LUTHER KING AND BISHOP ATHENAGORAS, GREEK ORTHODOX, WOULD SPEAK AT THE SERVICES FOR REVEREND REEB. AT THIS SERVICE, KING WAS INTRODUCED AS ~~QUOTE~~ "THE MOSES OF THE TWENTIETH CENTURY, ANNOUNCING TO THE PHARAOHS LET MY PEOPLE FREE" ~~END QUOTE~~.

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AT FOUR NINETEEN P.M. REVEREND BEVEL, ALONG WITH PUBLIC SAFETY DIRECTOR J. WILSON BAKER, MAYOR SMITHERMAN AND SHERIFF CLARKE AGREED IN A MEETING THAT A MARCH WOULD BE CONDUCTED TO THE DALLAS COUNTY COURT HOUSE. INSTRUCTIONS TO BE FOLLOWED WERE THAT THE MARCHERS WOULD MARCH THREE ABREAST, USING THE SIDEWALK, DOWN SYLVAN STREET TO ALABAMA AVE. TO THE DALLAS COUNTY COURT HOUSE. PERMISSION WAS ALSO GIVEN FOR FIVE MINUTES OF SINGING AND AFTER A SHORT PRAYER THE MARCHERS WOULD RETURN TO THE CHURCH. BEVEL STATED THAT IF THIS PROCEDURE WAS FOLLOWED, THE ALL-NIGHT VIGIL WHICH HAS BEEN CONDUCTED BY THE DEMONSTRATORS SINCE SIX P.M., WEDNESDAY, MARCH TEN LAST WOULD BE DISCONTINUED.

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AT FOUR FORTY PM CAPTAIN BAKER REMOVED THE BARRICADE
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ALONG THE CONFRONTATION POINT AND REVEREND ANDREW YOUNG MARSHALLED THE DEMONSTRATORS ON SYLVAN ST.

AT FOUR FORTY FOUR PM, MARTIN LUTHER KING FINISHED SPEAKING AT THE MEMORIAL SERVICES AND AT FIVE ZERO EIGHT PM THE DEMONSTRATORS STARTED THEIR MARCH TO THE DALLAS COUNTY COURT HOUSE. THE MARCH TO THE COURT HOUSE CONSISTED OF APPROXIMATELY TWO THOUSAND DEMONSTRATORS, LED BY KING, REESE, BISHOP ATHENAGORAS AND WALTER REUTHER IN THE FRONT RANK.

THIS MARCH WAS PROTECTED BY ALABAMA STATE TROOPERS, SPACED APPROXIMATELY FIFTY YARDS APART THROUGHOUT THE MARCH AND BY POLICE OFFICERS OF THE SELMA ^{Police Department} PD UNDER THE DIRECTION OF CAPTAIN BAKER. THE MARCH STRETCHED FROM THE LEAD GROUP, WHICH ARRIVED AT THE DALLAS COUNTY COURT HOUSE AT FIVE TWENTY FOUR PM TO THE CHURCH ON SYLVAN ST., APPROXIMATELY TEN BLOCKS AWAY. AT FIVE FORTY SIX PM KING STARTED A SHORT MEMORIAL SERVICE AT THE DALLAS COUNTY COURT HOUSE AT FIVE FIFTY NINE PM HE LAYED A WREATH ON THE TOP STEP OF THE ALABAMA AVE. ENTRANCE TO THE DALLAS COUNTY COURT HOUSE. KING LEFT THE COURT HOUSE AT SIX ZERO TWO PM AFTER THE GROUP SANG ONE SONG. THE LAST OF THE MARCHING DEMONSTRATORS RETURNED TO THE BROWN CHAPEL

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AME CHURCH AT SIX THIRTY NINE P.M.

DALLAS COUNTY BOARD OF REGISTRARS OPENED THIS DATE FROM NINE AM TO TWELVE THIRTY PM AND FROM TWO PM TO FOUR THIRTY P.M. TOTAL PROCESSED ON EIGHT TWO NEGROES, TWENTY SIX WHITE SEVENTY FIVE PEOPLE, BOTH WHITE AND NEGRO, REMAINED IN LINE AT TIME BOARD CLOSED. LAST PERSON PROCESSED HELD VOTER REGISTRATION NUMBER ONE NINE FOUR THREE.

APPEARANCE BOOK OPENED CONTINUOUSLY FROM NINE THIRTY AM TO FOUR THIRTY PM THIS DATE. NUMBERS TWO SIX ONE ZERO THROUGH TWO SIX NINE SIX INCLUSIVE ISSUED ~~TWENTY~~^{NINETY} FIVE NEGROES AND TWO WHITES.

[REDACTED] ADVISED THAT THERE WILL BE A MASS MEETING TONIGHT AT SEVEN THIRTY PM AT THE BROWN CHAPEL AME CHURCH.

BUAGENTS ON SCENE THROUGHOUT THE DAY AND WILL COVER MEETING TONIGHT. NO INCIDENTS OBSERVED; NO ARRESTS MADE.

DEPARTMENTAL ATTORNEY JOHN NIXON ON SCENE AT SELMA ADVISED.

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[REDACTED] SELMA, CONTACTED
TONIGHT AT BROWN'S CHAPEL AME CHURCH ADVISED THE "PRESSURE AND
TENSENESS" WHICH HAS EXISTED IN SELMA OVER PAST SEVERAL DAYS
APPEARS TO HAVE DISSIPATED AFTER MARCH COMPLETED LATE AFTERNOON.

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[REDACTED] STATES IT APPEARS THE MANY INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE APPEARED
IN SELMA SEEM TO BE LEAVING OR MAKING ARRANGEMENTS TO LEAVE.

END.

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~~CORR PAGE 2 LINE 18 WORDS 4 5 SHD BE DISAGREED, REQUESTING.~~

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~~OK PAGE 5 LINE 10 WD 7 PLS TO NINETY TU MIN PLS~~

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CC-MR. ROSEN

3/16/65

GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION

Selma Resident Agency is advised that there was no mass meeting of Negroes at the Brown Chapel AME Church in Selma last night as had been contemplated. There was an apparent conference meeting of Negro leaders including Martin Luther King at the home of Reverend Jackson at Selma evening of 3/15/65. Details of this conference will be obtained and furnished the Bureau.

Civil Rights Division of Department being advised.

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RJM
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RE: BERNARD S. LEE V. CLARENCE M. KELLY, ET AL.
(U.S.D.C., D.C.) CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 76-1185

SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC)
V. CLARENCE M. KELLEY, ET AL (U.S.D.C., D.C.)
CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 76-1186

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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

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FBI SELMA ALA

11:12PM CST URGENT 3-18-65 MFH
TO DIRECTOR (44-12831)
FROM MOBILE (SELMA) (44-557)

ELECTION LAWS

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS, DALLAS COUNTY, ALABAMA, VOTING
DISCRIMINATION, CR, EL.

REMOTELS TODAY.

MASS MEETING BROWN CHAPEL AME CHURCH, SELMA, STARTED SEVEN
THIRTY P.M., CST. MAIN SPEAKERS WERE REV. L.L. ANDERSON,
PASTOR BAPTIST TABERNACLE, SELMA, ALA., REV. FREDERICK D. NEESE,
PRESIDENT DALLAS COUNTY VOTERS LEAGUE, RABBI JOSEPH DRUMMOND,
CALIFORNIA, AND A.D. KING, BROTHER OF DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

COLLECTION TAKEN AT MEETING REACHED SEVEN THOUSAND DOLLARS
ACCORDING TO [REDACTED] CROWD ESTIMATED AT EIGHT HUNDRED
IN ATTENDANCE.

CAPTAIN J. WILSON BAKER, PUBLIC SAFETY DIRECTOR, SELMA,
AND ONE CITY CAR COVERED MEETING.

[REDACTED] ADVISED ONE [REDACTED] AGE TWENTY ONE, NEGRO
MALE, BLACK NATIONALIST, ARRESTED BY CITY PD IN REAR OF BROWN

END PAGE ONE
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W. J. Bishop

RFH

*Info included in note
on teletype sent up
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cc [REDACTED] b7c !

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CHAPEL AME CHURCH. [REDACTED] CHARGED WITH DRUNK, RESISTING ARREST. b7c

MASS MEETING TERMINATED TEN THIRTY FIVE PM. NO INCIDENTS
OBSERVED. MEETING COVERED BY BUAGENTS. DEPARTMENTAL ATTORNEY
FRANK DUNBAR ON SCENE AT SELMA ADVISED.

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ELECTION LAW
DALLAS COUNTY

438 PM URGENT 3/15/65 DDW

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TO DIRECTOR

FROM MILWAUKEE (157-NEW) 1P

~~X~~ FREEDOM FLYERS, MADISON, WIS., RACIAL MATTERS.

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THE "WIS. STATE JOURNAL", A MADISON DAILY NEWSPAPER, IN
ITS MARCH FIFTEEN INSTANT ISSUE SET FORTH THAT WIS. ATTORNEY
GENERAL BRONSON ~~X~~ LA FOLLETTE HAD BEEN NAMED SECRETARY-TREASURER
OF THE COMMITTEE WHICH IS ATTEMPTING TO RAISE FUNDS FOR THIS
FLIGHT.

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LHM FOLLOWS.

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MR. DIRECTOR FOR THE DIRECTOR

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

FBI WASH DC CC-MR. SULLIVAN

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5/16/65
GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION

Civil Rights Division of Department being advised. Mobile is being instructed to insure sufficient manpower is available to handle any developments and to keep Bureau fully advised.

Mobile and Selma Resident Agency being advised.

[Handwritten signature]
[Redacted] b7c

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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

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TELETYPE

FBI SELMA ALA

9:31 AM URGENT 3-17-65 MMA

TO DIRECTOR /44-12831/

FROM MOBILE /SELMA/ 44-557

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REGISTRARS OF VOTERS, DALLAS COUNTY, ALABAMA, VOTING
DISCRIMINATION, CIVIL RIGHTS, ELECTION LAWS
GA, II.

Election Laws

RE TEL CALL BUREAU SUPERVISOR [REDACTED] AND MOTEL
MARCH SIXTEEN LAST.

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BUREAU REQUESTED DETAILS CONCERNING MEETING BETWEEN MAJOR
JOHN CLOUD, COL. AL LINGO AND QUOTE "FBI AGENT" END QUOTE WHICH
OCCURRED BEFORE THE MARCH SEVEN LAST CONFRONTATION AT EDMUND
PETTUS BRIDGE, SELMA, ALABAMA.

CLOUDS' COMMENTS CONCERNING THIS MEETING ARE SO UNSPECIFIC
IN NATURE THAT THE ACTIVITY HE PURPORTS TO DESCRIBE IS NOT
IDENTIFIABLE. AGENTS AT SELMA AND IN PARTICULAR [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] WERE IN CONTACT WITH BOTH CLOUD AND LINGO PRIOR TO THE
CONFRONTATION AT THE BRIDGE ON MARCH SEVEN LAST.

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THE PURPOSE OF CONTACT BETWEEN STATE OFFICIALS AND BUREAU
AGENTS WAS TO ASCERTAIN PLANS OF THE HIGHWAY PATROL FOR THE
HANDLING OF THE CONFRONTATION WITH THE DEMONSTRATORS WHO WERE
END PAGE ONE

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/PAGE ONE RETYPED JMS/

Mrs. Rose to Belmont
3/18/65

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MR. [REDACTED] FOR THE DIRECTOR

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PLANNING TO MARCH TO MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA. THIS IS A REGULAR OPERATING PRACTICE. OUR MEANS OF KNOWING THE PLANS OF LOCAL AUTHORITIES IS THROUGH DIRECT PERSONAL CONTACT WITH THEM.

IT IS CERTAIN THAT CLOUD WAS REFERRING TO A MEETING OF A LIAISON TYPE RATHER THAN ANY OTHER TYPE OF MEETING WHEN HE DESCRIBED CONTACT WITH A BUREAU AGENT IN CONNECTION WITH THIS TESTIMONY.

SA [REDACTED] RECALLS SEVERAL CONTACTS WITH CLOUD AND LINGO WHEREIN INQUIRIES CONCERNING STATE PLANS FOR THE MARCH WERE DISCUSSED, HOWEVER, HE DOES NOT AT THIS TIME RECALL ANY OCCASION WHEN HE JOINED CLOUD AND LINGO BOTH IN CONNECTION WITH SUCH LIAISON CONTACTS. BOTH CLOUD AND LINGO WERE ON THE STREETS AS WERE NUMEROUS AGENTS AND THEY COULD HAVE CONTACTED ANY NUMBER OF AGENTS. THEREFORE, THE INCIDENT DESCRIBED IN TESTIMONY IS NOT SUBJECT TO PINPOINTING WITHOUT PERSONAL CONTACT WITH CLOUD. b7c

IN THE ABSENCE OF ANY ALLEGATIONS OR INDICATION OF IMPROPER ACTION ON THE PART OF BUREAU PERSONNEL, NO SUCH CONTACT IS BEING MADE CONCERNING THIS MATTER.

END

WA JMS

FBI WASH DC

TU CC MR ROSEN

P

McGowan
[REDACTED]

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March 17, 1965

GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION

Major John Cloud, Commander, State Trooper Division, Alabama Department of Public Safety, testified in the hearing before U.S. District Court, Montgomery, 3/16/65 concerning the events in Selma, Alabama, on 3/7/65. The hearing was on the motion of Negroes that Alabama authorities be enjoined from interfering with a march from Selma to Montgomery, Alabama. In his testimony Major Cloud said that an FBI Agent was present at one meeting between him and Colonel Al Lingo, head of the Alabama State Police. Attached teletype sets forth basis of Agents contacts with Cloud and Lingo.

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FBI

Date: 3/17/65

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plain text or code)

Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL
(Priority or Method of Mailing)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
ATTENTION: FBI LABORATORY
FROM: SAC, NEW ORLEANS (157-3345) (P)
SUBJECT: REGISTRAR OF VOTERS
DALLAS COUNTY, ALABAMA
VOTER DISCRIMINATION
CR-EL

Re New Orleans airtel to Bureau dated 2/5/65.

Enclosed for the Bureau are two letters in original envelopes described as follows and photostatic copies of both letters:

1. Letter from [redacted] to Mr. JAMES WOOTEN postmarked Varnado, Louisiana, 2/4/65.

2. Letter from [redacted] Louisiana, to JAMES WOOTEN, postmarked 2/19/65, at Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

These letters were received by SA JAMES A. WOOTEN at his home, 3229 Tanglewood Drive, Shreveport, Louisiana, apparently as a result of an article which appeared in the February 1, 1965, issue of "The Councilor", a publication of the Citizens Council of Louisiana, Inc. The Bureau was previously advised the above mentioned issue carried an item describing SA WOOTEN as a representative of MARTIN LUTHER KING, and giving SA WOOTEN's address in Shreveport. The article was prompted by an interview of [redacted] the Citizens Council in captioned matter by [redacted]

- 3 - Bureau (Enc. 4) (RM)
- 2 - New Orleans

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E. C. Wick

Approved: _____ Sent _____ M Per _____
Special Agent in Charge

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SA's JAMES A. WOOTEN and [REDACTED] on 1/22/65.

The Baton Rouge City Directory does not show an address as [REDACTED]. A check of the indices in the New Orleans Division on [REDACTED] was negative. b7c

Although the attached letters do not contain a threat, the FBI Laboratory is requested to search these letters through and add them to the anonymous letter file.

The letters should be returned to the New Orleans Division upon completion of examination.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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Re: REGISTRAR OF VOTERS
DALLAS COUNTY, ALABAMA
VOTER DISCRIMINATION
CR-EL

File # 44-22769-635
Lab. # D-474179 JC

Examination requested by: SAC, NEW ORLEANS (157-3345) A 3/17/65
Examination requested: Document Date received: 3/22/65
Result of Examination: Examination by: [REDACTED]

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Specimens submitted for examination

SPECIMEN	CHECK #	AMOUNT	DATE	PAYABLE TO	SIGNED	BANK
Q1			FEB 4 7 PM 1965	"VARNADO"		
bearing handwritten address "Mr. James Wooten 3229 Tanglewood Drive Shreveport, La."						
Q2			2/3/65			
Accompanying two-page handwritten letter dated 2/3/65, signed [REDACTED]						
Q3			FEB 19 PM 1965	"BATON ROUGE, LA."		
bearing typewritten address "Mr. James Wooten, 3229 Tanglewood Drive, Shreveport, -La."						
Q4			2/17/65			
Accompanying one-page typewritten letter dated 2/17/65, signed [REDACTED]						

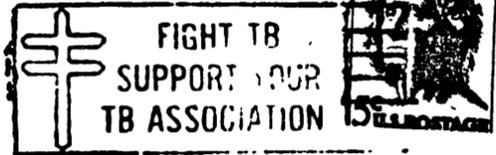
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MAR 25 1965

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Mr. James Wooten,
3229 Tanglewood Drive,
Shreveport, La.

44-22769 Q3 JC

[Redacted] La. b7c



Mr. James Wooten
3229 Tanglewood Drive
Shreveport, La.

44-22769 Q1 JC
LABORATORY

Varnado, La.

Feb. 3 - 1964

James Watson

3229 Tanglewood Drive

Shreveport, La.

Dear Sir,

This is to advise you that I have been saying many things about Ole Luke that aren't exactly flattering. I belong to a little old Ladies' hate group, and I've been writing prison pen letters now for quite a spell. I assure you they are nothing with humor, but I don't know how many have written, or to whom.

I suggested to some folks at Atlanta that they watch Ole Luke at the testimonial for, since he says he's turning his attention to Africa, he just might decide to set his brothers in the Congo an example on table manners and show 'em how to eat white meat without using their fingers.

I also stood and sang (while the testimonial crowd sang "we shall overcome") a few verses of "Swing Low Sweet Chariot" followed by a few bars of "Deep River" in which I was earnestly praying that Sweet Chariot

44-22719 Q2 JC

once wrap me under me. woodwork of
Leon, Joe, Baker, Bert and Sla. I will
testimonial fund, they ought to have stayed
home for quite a spell.

you can't trust ole Luke though. He
said (like Jesus at the Last Supper) "I
must go down in the Valley of Agony"
and I was thinking "Here's gone for
good" I find out instead of going to
Agony, he's landed in jail in Selma
Alabama!

Though my unkind remarks may come
as a surprise to you, I've informed the
Justice Dept, the F.B.I. The Atty. General,
the President, and every Senator and
Congressman in Washington that I intend
to earnestly and religiously discriminate
against any and all living mortals that
I don't like, and I ain't got but one
or two friends.

If I make a mistake and say
anything good about any body from the
preacher on down, I'm gonna wash
my mouth out with soap and stick
another pin in Luke's picture.

I practice voodoo on the side.

Sincerely yours

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44-22769-22 JC

JAN 19 1964

[REDACTED] La.
Feb. 17, 1965

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Mr. James Wooten,
3229 Tanglewood Drive,
Shreveport, La.

Dear Mr. Wooten:

I understand from authentic sources that you are trying to defend the Communist leader and National Agitator, the DAMNED MARTIN LUTHER KING.

Nobody would defend this LYING, APE - FACED COMMUNIST EXCEPT A COMMUNIST OR A DAMNED STUPID FOOL. And if I need to clarify this more for you, Mr. Wooten, I am referring here to YOU and also to a big JACKASS named W. Katzenbach.

It is definitely because of "SPECIMENS" like you that PATRIOTISM IN THE UNITED STATES IS DWINDLING VERY RAPIDLY.

YOU JUST PLAIN STINK.

Yours truly,

[REDACTED]

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44-22760 Q4 JC

[REDACTED]
Feb. 17, 1965

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your, soaking tent and slum jail
E. Thomas's guns, they ought to have stayed
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I practise woodoo on the side.

Sincerely yours b7c

[REDACTED]

The following original pages are of poor quality. UPA has made every technical effort to provide the best possible reproduction.

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FIGHT TB
SUPPORT YOUR
TB ASSOCIATION



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Mr. James Wooten,
3229 Tanglewood Drive,
Shreveport, La.

Vertical text on the left side of the envelope, including the word "RECEIVED" and other illegible markings.

[REDACTED]
Feb. 17, 1965

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Sreveport, La.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C.

1 - [Redacted]

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To: **FBI, New Orleans (157-3345)**

Date: **April 2, 1965**

Re: **REGISTRAR OF VOTERS
DALLAS COUNTY, ALABAMA
VOTER DISCRIMINATION
CR-EL**

J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover, Director
REC-138
44-12831-635
D-474179 JC

New Orleans

Examination requested by:

Airtel 3/17/65

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Examination requested:

Remarks:

Representative copies of Q1 through Q4 are being added to the Anonymous Letter File for future reference.

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Enclosures (6) (Q1-Q4, 2 Lab report)

- Tolson _____
- Belmont _____
- Mohr _____
- Casper _____
- Callahan _____
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- DeLoach _____
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C.

To: **FBI, New Orleans (157-3345)**

Date: **April 2, 1965**

FBI File No. **44-12831**

Re: **REGISTRAR OF VOTERS
DALLAS COUNTY, ALABAMA
VOTER DISCRIMINATION
CR-EL**

Lab. No. **D-474179 JC**

Specimens received **3/22/65**

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- Q2 Accompanying two-page handwritten letter dated 2/3/65, signed [REDACTED]**
- Q3 Envelope postmarked "BATON ROUGE, LA. FEB 19 PM 1965," bearing typewritten address "Mr. James Wooten, 3229 Tanglewood Drive, Shreveport, La." *b7c***
- Q4 Accompanying one-page typewritten letter dated 2/17/65, signed [REDACTED]**

Result of examination:

Specimens Q1 through Q4 were searched through the Anonymous Letter File but were not identified with other submissions in the file.

The evidence is returned herewith. Photographs are retained.

Tolson _____
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DeLoach _____
Casper _____
Callahan _____
Conrad _____
Evans _____
Gale _____
Rosen _____
Sullivan _____
Tavel _____
Tele. room _____
Gandy _____

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No watermark or indented writing

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Q4 - Sheet of white, unlined paper bearing ^{typewritten} message - no watermark

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.0035" - .0035"

Q3 White envelope bearing no known typewriting -
No watermark or indented writing -

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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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MAR 20 1965

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FBI SELMA ALA

11:38 PM CST URGENT 3-19-65 MFH
TO DIRECTOR (44-12831)
FROM MOBILE (SELMA) (44-557)

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REGISTRARS OF VOTERS, DALLAS COUNTY, ALA., VOTING DISCRIMINATION OR VIOLATION OF CIVIL RIGHTS - ELECTION LAWS

Election Laws

Handwritten notes:
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An. 11/1/65
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REMOTEL EARLIER TODAY.

AT ONE SEVENTEEN PM CST TODAY,

[REDACTED] ADVISED THAT A GROUP OF DEMONSTRATORS PLANNED TO MARCH TODAY ON MAYOR JOSEPH SMITHERMAN'S HOME AT SIX ZERO THREE SIXTH AVE., SELMA. THE TIME OF THIS MARCH WAS UNKNOWN.

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AT ONE FORTY PM TODAY CAPTAIN J. WILSON BAKER, PUBLIC SAFETY DIRECTOR, SELMA, WAS OBSERVED LEAVING THE VICINITY OF THE BROWN CHAPEL A.M.E. CHURCH HURRIEDLY.

44-12831-636

MAR 22 1965

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AT ONE FIFTY ONE PM CST TODAY BUAGENTS OBSERVED A CONTINUOUS FLOW OF PEOPLE ARRIVING IN THE GENERAL VICINITY OF MAYOR SMITHERMAN'S HOME. TWO SELMA PD CARS WERE OBSERVED WITH SEVERAL INDIVIDUALS EACH LEAVING THE AREA AT THE TIME BUAGENTS ARRIVED. THROUGHOUT THE NEXT FEW MINUTES NUMEROUS

Handwritten notes:
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acknowled 3/20/65
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INDIVIDUALS BEGAN TO ARRIVE IN THE VICINITY OF MAYOR SMITHERMAN'S HOME; MOST WERE YOUNG STUDENTS AND NINETY PERCENT OF THESE INDIVIDUALS WERE WHITE. [REDACTED] ADVISED THAT A MINISTER HAD STATED AT BROWN CHAPEL AME CHURCH THAT THEY WERE ATTEMPTING TO SEND APPROXIMATELY FOUR HUNDRED PEOPLE TO THE MAYOR'S HOME TO ENGAGE IN THIS PICKETING

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[REDACTED] ALSO ADVISED THAT THIS WAS THE RACIAL DEMONSTRATORS PLAN AND [REDACTED] WAS OBSERVED IN THE VICINITY OF BROWN CHAPEL AME CHURCH LOADING INDIVIDUALS INTO NUMEROUS CARS AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE.

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AT TWO ZERO EIGHT PM CST TODAY A LOCAL RESIDENT WAS OBSERVED TO STRIKE A MINISTER IN THE VICINITY OF MAYOR SMITHERMAN'S HOME. THIS INDIVIDUAL WAS TAKEN INTO CUSTODY BY THE SELMA PD.

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] VICTIM OBSERVED BY BUAGENT AND NO SIGN OF BRUISES OR SCARS OR MARKS APPARENT. [REDACTED] ADVISED

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BUAGENTS ON SCENE THROUGHOUT DEMONSTRATION. NO INCIDENTS NOTED. PHOTOGRAPHS TAKEN OF DEMONSTRATORS.

DEPARTMENTAL ATTORNEY FRANK DUNBAUGH ON SCEN AT SELMA BEING ADVISED.

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FROM: SAC, BIRMINGHAM (157-884) (P)

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS
DALLAS COUNTY, SELMA, ALABAMA,
VOTING DISCRIMINATION
CIVIL RIGHTS; ELECTION LAWS

Re Birmingham teletype to the Bureau dated 3/13/65.

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are an original and four copies of a letterhead memorandum, substance of which is self-explanatory.

Two copies of this letterhead memorandum are being furnished the Mobile Division.

The identity of the source utilized in this letterhead memorandum is [REDACTED]

The Bureau will be promptly advised of racial developments at Birmingham.

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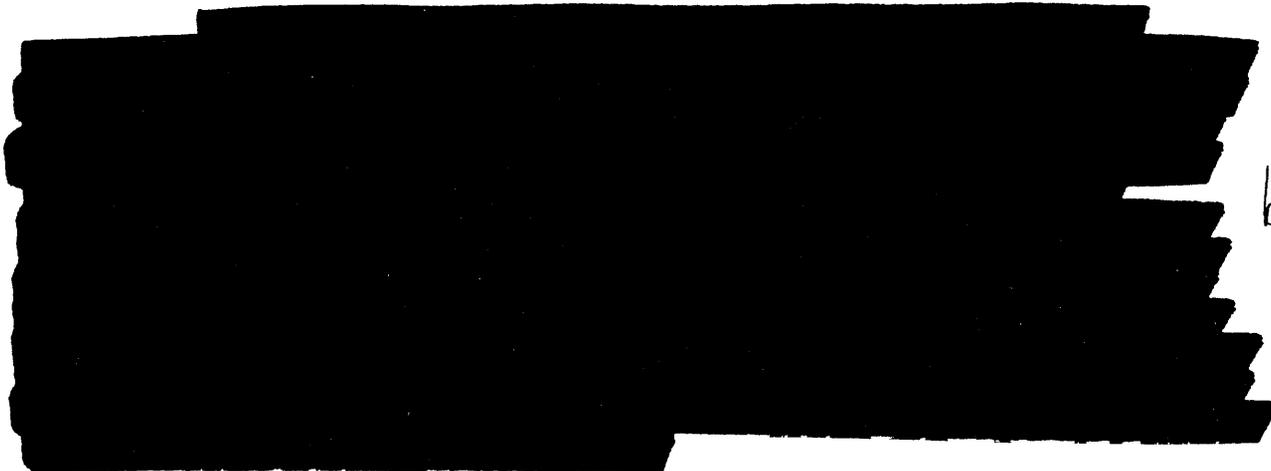


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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

1400 - 2121 Building
Birmingham, Alabama, 35203
March 16, 1965

RE: REGISTRARS OF VOTERS
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TO DIRECTOR (44-12831)
FROM MOBILE (SELMA) (44-557)

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ON MARCH SIXTEEN AT NINE FIFTY A.M., MAJOR JOHN CLOUD
COMMANDER OF STATE TROOPER DIVISION, ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF
PUBLIC SAFETY, WAS CALLED TO THE WITNESS STAND BY ASSISTANT
ATTORNEY GENERAL
AG JOHN DOAR. CLOUD TESTIFIED THAT HE HAS BEEN IN THE
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY FOR EIGHTEEN YEARS AND WAS IN
CHARGE OF THE TROOPERS ON MARCH SEVEN LAST IN SELMA, ALA.
HE STATED HE HAS BEEN IN SELMA PART OF THE TIME BETWEEN
FEBRUARY THREE LAST AND THE PRESENT AND THAT HE HAD HAD
DISCUSSIONS WITH COL. AL LINGO PRIOR TO THE MARCH ON MARCH
SEVEN LAST.

CLOUD STATED THAT ORIGINAL INSTRUCTIONS RECEIVED THREE
OR FOUR DAYS PRIOR TO THE MARCH ON MARCH SEVEN LAST WHICH
WERE ISSUED BY LINGO WERE TO ALLOW THE DEMONSTRATORS TO MARCH
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HOWEVER, ON STAURDAY, MARCH SIX, LAST, INSTRUCTIONS WERE CHANGED BY LINGO TO STOP THE MARCHERS ON THE HIGHWAY.

CLOUD SELECTED A SPOT TO STOP THE MARCHERS AND ISSUED INSTRUCTIONS TO USE A MINIMUM OF FORCE. INSTRUCTIONS WERE GIVEN TO PROD OR PUSH THE MARCHERS AND IF THEY SAT DOWN, TO USE TEAR GAS.

CLOUD ADMITTED HE CONFRONTED THE MARCHERS ON THE EAST SIDE OF EDMUND PETTUS BRIDGE AND TOLD THE LEADERS THAT THIS WAS AN UNLAWFUL ASSEMBLY, TO DISPERSE BECAUSE THE MARCH WAS A HAZARD TO TRAFFIC. WHEN THEY DID NOT COMPLY IN A TWO MINUTE PERIOD HE ORDERED THE TROOPERS TO DISPERSE THE CROWD AND THEY ~~QUOTE~~ "WALKED INTO THE CROWD." ~~UNQUOTE~~. HE DESCRIBED THE FRONT LINE OF MARCHERS AS IN TURMOIL AND GAVE INSTRUCTIONS TO REGROUP. HE DID NOT SEE TROOPERS STRIKE MARCHERS AND BOTH MARCHERS AND TROOPERS FELL ON THE ROAD. HE STATED GAS WAS THEN ROLLED IN FROM THE SIDE OF THE CROWN OF MARCHERS AND THAT HE DENIED ISSUING ANY PRIOR INSTRUCTIONS ON WHAT ACTION TO TAKE IF THE GAS WAS USED. HE ADMITTED HE GAVE INSTRUCTIONS TO USE THE NECESSARY FORCE AND NOT TO MAKE ANY ARRESTS AS IT WAS HIS EXPERIENCE

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THAT THE NUMBER OF DEMONSTRATORS INCREASED AS THE ARRESTS WERE MADE.

CLOUD STATED THAT SHERIFF JAMES G. CLARK HAD ASKED HIM PRIOR TO MEETING THE MARCHERS IF HE, CLARK, SHOULD STOP THE MARCHERS. CLOUD TOLD CLARK HE WOULD TAKE CARE OF STOPPING THE MARCHERS. HE DENIED ISSUING ANY INSTRUCTIONS TO CLARK BUT DID AGREE WITH CLARK WHEN CLARK ASKED HIM IF HIS POSSE MEN SHOULD BE SPLIT UP ON BOTH SIDES OF THE HIGHWAY.

CLOUD ADMITTED THAT THERE WERE NO WRITTEN INSTRUCTIONS AS TO HOW TO HANDLE THIS MARCH TO HIS KNOWLEDGE. CLOUD STATED THAT AN FBI AGENT WAS PRESENT AT ONE MEETING WITH HIM AND COL. LINGO BUT WHEN ASKED IN DETAIL WHO WAS PRESENT AT VARIOUS MEETINGS, CLOUD CLAIMED THERE WERE NUMEROUS MEETINGS ON THIS MARCH AND CLOUD NOT SPECIFY WHO WAS PRESENT AT EACH MEETING.

CLOUD ESTIMATED THERE WERE SIXTY FIVE TROOPERS INVOLVED IN THIS MELEE AND THAT COL. LINGO ORDERED HIM TO KEEP THE NEWSMEN CONTAINED AND IF THE MARCHERS WOULD NOT DISPERSE TO USE TEAR GAS. CLOUD STATED THAT PRIOR TO THE MARCH ON MARCH SEVEN HE RECALLED GIVING INSTRUCTIONS TO ONE LT. MELVIN AND CAPT. MILLER TO BRING ALONG GAS WHEN THEY CAME TO SELMA AND THAT SOME

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GAS WAS ALREADY STORED IN SELMA. HE ESTIMATED THE ALABAMA STATE TROOPERS HAD EIGHT CANNISTERS OF NAUSEA GAS, FORTY CANNISTERS OF SMOKE, AND TWELVE CANNISTERS OF TEAR GAS.

HE DID NOT KNOW HOW MUCH WAS ISSUED FOR USE ON MARCH SEVEN LAST.

CLOUD STATED THE LEADERS OF THE MARCH NEVER ADVISED HIM PRIOR TO THAT DAY HOW MANY MARCHERS WERE PARTICIPATING, WHETHER IT WOULD BE DAY OR NIGHT, THE DURATION, THE ROUTE, WHETHER IT WOULD BE SINGLE FILE OR WHETHER THEY INTENDED TO MARCH ON THE HIGHWAY.

CLOUD TESTIFIED THAT THE FIRST TEAR GAS HE SAW WAS THAT BEING CARRIED BY SHERIFF CLARK. CLARK HAD THE TYPE OF TEAR GAS CONTAINER THAT COULD BE TURNED OFF AND ON. HE TESTIFIED HE SAW CLARK TURN HIS CANNISTER ON AND AT THAT POINT CLARK IMMEDIATELY TURNED IT OFF. SHORTLY THEREAFTER HIS TROOPERS STARTED TO ROLL TEAR GAS CANNISTERS INTO THE CROWD. HE DESCRIBED THE GAS USED BY HIS TROOPERS AS ~~QUOTE~~ "CAPSULES WITH A PULL RELEASE" ~~UNQUOTE~~ AND THAT THEY DID NOT THROW THEM

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AND HE HEARD NO EXPLOSION. HE STATED HIS TROOPERS ONLY FOLLOWED THE MARCHERS TO THE BRIDGE AND ADMITTED HE SAW THE MOUNTED SHERIFF'S OFFICE POSSE MEMBERS RIDING OVER THE BRIDGE. CLOUD ALSO TESTIFIED HE WAS STANDING TWENTY FIVE FEET FROM THE MARCHERS AND HAD A CLEAR VIEW OF THE MARCHERS. HE RECALLED THE MARCHERS HOLDING WALKING STICKS, UMBRELLAS, AND BUNDLES BUT DID NOT SEE THE DEMONSTRATORS ATTACK ANY TROOPERS. HE STATED HE DID NOT SEE ANY TROOPERS STRIKE MARCHERS BUT DID SEE SOME CLUBS IN AN UPRAISED POSITION, ALTHOUGH THEIR ORDERS WERE TO KEEP THEIR CLUBS DOWN. CLOUD STATED HIS DEPARTMENT INVESTIGATED THE INCIDENT BUT ONLY TO SEE IF ANY TROOPERS WERE STRUCK OR ENCOUNTERED ANY FORCE OR RESISTANCE.

CLOUD STATED THAT AFTER THE GAS WAS USED AND THE CROWD WAS DISPERSED NO INSTRUCTIONS WERE GIVEN TO HIS TROOPERS ON A FOLLOW UP ACTION. CLOUD DENIED HE CALLED FOR ASSISTANCE FROM SHERIFF CLARK'S MOUNTED POSSE AS HE DID NOT KNOW THE POSSE MEMBERS EXPERIENCE.

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CLOUD ADMITTED COL. AL LINGO WAS ON THE SCENE AT THE CONFRONTATION POINT BUT HE RECEIVED NO FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS FROM LINGO OTHER THAN SET OUT ABOVE.

CLOUD COMPLETED HIS TESTIMONY AT ELEVEN TWENTY A.M. AND COURT ADJOURNED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.

AT THREE ZERO SEVEN P.M. AGENTS ON THE SCENE AT THE BROWN CHAPEL AME CHURCH, SELMA, ADVISED THAT CONSIDERABLE NUMBER OF PEOPLE WERE LEAVING SELMA ENROUTE TO MONTGOMERY, ALA.

ALL LEADERS OF THE ^{Student Non-Violent Co-ordinating Committee} SNCC UNIT SEEMED TO BE LEAVING IN CARS FOR MONTGOMERY. [REDACTED] STATED A POLICY MEETING WOULD BE HELD

AT THREE P.M. WITH VARIOUS MEMBER OF THE CLERGY IN ATTENDANCE.

THIS MEETING BEING HELD AT THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH. THIS SOURCE ALSO STATED THAT A MASS MEETING WOULD BE HELD AT SEVEN THIRTY P.M., CST., AT BROWN CHAPEL AME CHURCH AND THE PRINCIPAL SPEAKER WOULD BE DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

BUREAU AGENTS WILL REMAIN ON THE SCENE IN SELMA AND COVER MASS MEETING.

DEPARTMENTAL ATTORNEY JOHN ~~NIH~~^I NIXON ON SCENE IN SELMA ADVISED.

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Set forth in attached teletype is testimony of Major John Cloud, Commander of Alabama State Troopers, regarding events at Selma, Alabama, on 3/7/65. The hearings before Federal Judge Johnson is on the motion of Negroes that the Alabama authorities be enjoined against interfering with a proposed voter demonstration march from Selma to Montgomery, Alabama.

Relative to the statement of Major Cloud (see page 3) that an FBI Agent was present at one meeting with him and Colonel Al Lingo regarding the handling of the march, the Mobile Office has been instructed to determine if any Agent was present at such a meeting and if so, the purpose of his being present. The Selma Resident Agency has been telephonically instructed that this matter must be resolved and the Bureau immediately advised.

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TO DIRECTOR
FROM NEW ORLEANS 157-3345



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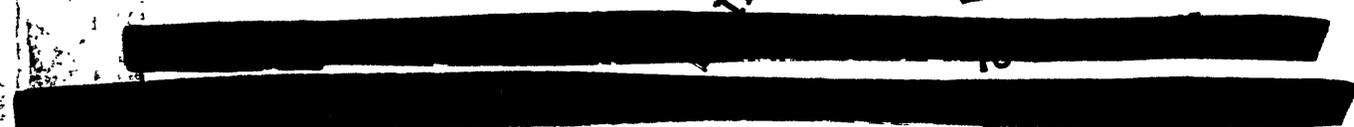
REBUTEL MARCH TWENTYONE LAST AND PHTEL MARCH TWENTY LAST.

EDWARD SIDNEY HOLLANDER, AKA ED HOLLANDER, PUBLIC RELATIONS
DIRECTOR OF SOUTHERN CORE NEW ORLEANS ARRIVED IN JONESBORO, LOUISIANA,
MARCH SIXTEEN LAST FROM NEW ORLEANS AND RETURNED MARCH NINETEEN LAST
TRAVELING WITH RICHARD HALEY REGIONAL DIRECTOR OF CORE. LA

[REDACTED] JONESBORO, STATED
THAT HOLLANDER WAS NOT VICTIM OF POLICE BRUTALITY WHILE IN JONESBORO
AND [REDACTED] HAS NO KNOWLEDGE OF HOLLANDER/S BEING BEATEN BY POLICE
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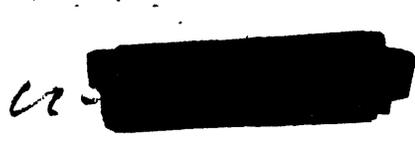


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REMOTELS MARCH EIGHTEEN LAST.

NO ACTIVITY OBSERVED DURING EARLY A.M. HOURS MARCH
NINETEEN INSTANT AT BROWN CHAPEL AME CHURCH, SELMA, ALABAMA.

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AT TEN FIFTYNINE A.M. A GROUP OF APPROXIMATELY FIVE SEVEN FIVE INDIVIDUALS LEFT BROWN CHAPEL AME CHURCH THREE ABREAST AND WALKED TO THE CITY HALL, SELMA, AT ALABAMA AND FRANKLIN STREETS. THEY WERE LED BY JAMES ORANGE, SNCC, UNKNOWN WHITE RABBI, AND UNIDENTIFIED NEGRO. CAPTAIN BAKER LED DEMONSTRATORS IN POLICE CAR AND AFFORDED PROTECTION. THREE ALABAMA STATE TROOPER CARS OBSERVED AT SCENE. NO DALLAS COUNTY CARS PRESENT.

AT ELEVEN ZERO SEVEN THIS GROUP LINED UP ON THE CITY HALL STEPS AND SANG FREEDOM SONGS.

AT ELEVEN SIXTEEN A.M. AN UNIDENTIFIED NEGRO MINISTER ADDRESSED THE GROUP. A PRAYER WAS OFFERED AND SHORT SPEECHES WERE GIVEN BY UNKNOWN NEGRO AND WHITES. GROUP WAS APPROXIMATELY FIFTY PER CENT WHITE. SPEAKERS WERE HEARD TO THANK CAPTAIN BAKER FOR ~~QUOTE~~ PRIVILEGE OF WALKING TO CITY HALL ~~UNQUOTE~~

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GROUP WAS ADDRESSED BY ONE MILTON ~~REED~~ ^{SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE}, A COLORED MALE, ~~SELE~~ ^{AIR} WHO GAVE PRINCIPAL ADDRESS AND PRAYED ~~QUOTE~~ ["] FOR STRENGTH TO CONTINUE ON IN THE MOVEMENT ~~UNQUOTE~~ ["]

AT ELEVEN THIRTY ONE A.M. THE GROUP LOCKED ARMS SINGING ~~QUOTE~~ ["] WE SHALL OVERCOME ~~UNQUOTE~~ ["]. THEREAFTER GROUP FORMED IN LINES OF THREES AND RETURNED TO BROWN CHAPEL OVER SAME ROUTE. DEMONSTRATION WAS PEACEFUL AND ORDERLY AND NO INCIDENTS OCCURRED.

~~REDACTED~~ ADVISED THAT PLANS ARE INDEFINITE FOR ^{b7D} REMAINDER OF DAY, HOWEVER BELIEVES THAT DAY WILL BE SPENT IN ORGANIZING AND DISCUSSING THE COMING SELMA TO MONTGOMERY MARCH.

BUREAU AGENTS ON SCENE AND OBSERVED MARCH. WILL CONTINUE TO AFFORD COVERAGE. DEPARTMENTAL ATTORNEY FRANK ~~DUNBAUGH~~ ^{UGH} ON SCENE AT SELMA ADVISED. ^{ON} ~~DUNBAUGH~~

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March 19, 1965
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Civil Rights Division of the
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RE: BERNARD S. LEE V. CLARENCE M. KELLY, ET AL.
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SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC)
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