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TO DIRECTOR FBI /157-6-2/

FROM SAC, ATLANTA /157-315/ **2**P

RACIAL SITUATION, ALBANY, GA.

MITCHELL COUNTY

11 JUL 26 1952

JAIL, CAMILLA, GA., THIRTY MILES SOUTH OF ALBANY WHERE JUVENILES PREVIOUSLY ARRESTED BY ALBANY PD AND ARE PRESENTLY INCARCERATED, ADVISED TONIGHT NO GROUPS OF PEOPLE HAVE BEEN NEAR CAMILLA JAIL SINCE YESTERDAY AND THEREFORE HE ANTICIPATES NO TROUBLE BETWEEN WHITES AND ALBANY NEGROES.

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STATEMENT.

SAS OBSERVED APPROXIMATELY SIX HUNDRED NEGROES IN MT. ZION CHURCH, ALBANY, AT EIGHT THIRTY PM TONIGHT, ABOUT THIRTY TO FORTY JUVENILE NEGROES OUTSIDE THIS CHURCH AND ALSO THAT SHILOH CHURCH WAS BEING OPENED FOR ADDITIONAL OVERFLOW. PREVIOUSLY AT SEVEN FIFTY PM AGENTS OBSERVED ALBANY POLICEMEN ESCORTING REV. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., W. G. ANDERSON TO MT. ZION CHURCH.

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NO INCIDENTS OR DEMONSTRATIONS OCCURRED TODAY IN ALBANY OR ELSEWHERE IN AREA.

GOVERNOR ERNEST VANDIVER OF GEORGIA PUBLICLY ANNOUNCED TODAY
HE WOULD CALL GEORGIA NATIONAL GUARD IF NECESSARY TO MAINTAIN
PEACE IN ALBANY.

COP LAURIE PRITCHETT, ALBANY, ADVISED THAT WITH ASSISTANCE
OF SEVENTYFIVE TO ONE HUNDRED GEORGIA STATE PATROLMEN WHO ARE
TEMPORARILY IN ALBANY UNDER HIS COMMAND, NO ADDITIONAL ASSISTANCE
IS NEEDED AND HE HAS SUFFICIENT MANPOWER TO MAINTAIN ORDER
AT THIS TIME.

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URGENT 7-25-62 11-42PM EST JDW **7**6 DIRECTOR, FBI /157-6-2/ FROM SAC ATLANTA /157-315/ RACIAL SITUATION, ALBANY, GA.

MEETING OF NEGORES AT SHILOH BAPTIST CHURCH, ALBANY, GA., NIGHT OF JULY TWENTYFIVE INSTANT ATTENDED BY APPROXIMATELY TWENTYFIVE TO THIRTY YOUNG PERSONS.

SAS OBSERVED FROM OUTSIDE OF CHURCH WHAT APPEARED TO BE INSTRUCTIONS GIVEN TO GROUP TO GATHER IN CIRCLES WITH ARMS INTERLOCKED AND SWAY FROM SIDE TO SIDE.

ADVISED PURPOSE OF

INTERLOCKED ARMS IS APPARENTLY A TYPE OF DEMONSTRATION. THAT MIGHT BE HELD IN FUTURE IN PUBLIC AREA TO FORCE POLICE TO LATE HANDS ON DEMONSTRATORS IN ORDER TO EFFECT AN ARREST.

MEETING BROKE UP ABOUT TEN FIFTEEN PM EST. MT. ZION CHURCH ACROSS THE STREET, WHICH WAS ATTENDED BY APPROXIMATELY SIX HUNDRED PERSONS, BROKE UP ABOUT PM EST AND THOSE IN ATTENDANCE DISBURSED NO DEMONSTRATIONS, NO MARCHING, NO INCIDENTS. 11 JUL 26 1962

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AROUND TWO OR TWO THIRTY PM PLAN TO DRIVE TO MITCHELL COUNTY

JAIL, CAMILLA, GA. TO VISIT PRISONERS THERE WHO WERE RECENTLY

ARRESTED BY ALBANY PD DURING DEMOSTRATIONS IN ALBANY. SOME

OF THE VISITORS, UNIDENTIFIED, HAVE RECEIVED THREATS FROM UNIDENTIFIED

SOURCES WARNING THEM NOT TO VISIT JAIL SINCE THERE ARE ABOUT

TWENTYFIVE MEN WAITING OUTSIDE THE JAIL JOO SEADS HEM IF THEY

VISIT JAIL.

ALSO REPORTING THIS

INFORMATION FBI RESIDENT AGENCY, ALBANY.

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MR. BELMONT FOR THE DIRECTOR

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INFORMATION BEING IMMEDIATELY DISSEMINATED TO SHERIFF JOHN MAPLES, MITCHELL COUNTY, GA., CHIEF OF POLICE, CAMILLA AND CHIEF OF POLICE, ALBANY.

BUREAU WILL BE KEPT ADVISED OF DEVELOPMENTS.

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DEPARTMENT BEING ADVISED

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Hr. Tolson Mr. Belmont BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION Mr. Mehr. Mr. Callahan DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE Mr. Coprad. **COMMUNICATIONS SECTION** Mr. L JUL 2 5 1962 Mr. E URGENT 7-25-62 5-50PM EST SEK HEREM CU Mr. Trotter Tele. Room
Miss Holmes
Miss Gandy DIRECTOR, FBI /157-6-2/ DATE 8/24/81 TO SAC, ATLANTA /157-315/ 1P FROM RACIAL SITUATION, ALBANY, GA., RM. RACIAL MAY MEETING OF MEMBERS ALBANY MOVEMENT SUPPOSED TO BE HELD TONIGHT SHILOH BAPTIST CHURCH, ALBANY. 18 JUL 26 1962 ALL OTHER CONDITIONS QUIET AND NORMAL. NO MEETINGS OR OTHER DEMONSTRATIONS IN PROGRESS. MEETING WILL BE FOLKOWED. 25 END AND ACK PLS.

Mr. Tolson Mr/Belmont U S DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE COMMUNICATIONS SECTION Mr. Conrad JUL2 4 1962 Mr. DeLoach Mr. Evans. Mr. RY SPAMACKEL Mr. Mr. Tavel Mr. Trotter. Tele. Room. URGENT 7-24-62 10-42PM EST JDW Miss Holme Miss Gand TO DIRECTOR FBI /157-6-2/ FROM SAC ATLANTA_/157-315/ CRACIAL SITUATION, ALBANY, GA. RM. ADVISED GEORGIA STATE PATROL ABOUT NINE THIRTY TONIGHT THAT THERE WERE THEN BETWEEN TWO HUNDRED AND TWO HUNDRED FIFTY WHITE CITIZENS OF MITCHELL COUNTY CONGREGATING IN VICINITY OF MITCHELL COUNTY JAIL AT CAMILLA. ACCORDING TO THESE WHITE PEOPLE HAVE BECOME INCENSED OVER ACTION OF NEGROES IN ALBANY AND IF ADDITIONAL FRIENDS OR RELATIVES VISIT THOSE NEGROES WHO ARE PRESENTLY INCARCERATED AT CAMILLA, ANTICIPATES POSSIBLE MOB VIOLENCE BETWEEN THE WHITES AND NEGRO VISITORS. **EX-116** MARTIN LUTHER KING ARRIVED ALBANY, GAS, ABOUT EIGHT THIRTY PM. HE CONTACTED ALBANY COP LAURIE PRITCHETT AT CITY HALL AND REQUESTED CONFERENCE WITH CITY COMMISSIONERS JUESDAY NIGHTS. COMMISSIONERS NOT IN SESSION. END PAGE ONE BELLINO JO JUL 30 1962

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KING THEN VISITED PRISONERS IN CITY JAIL AND THEREAFTER
HELD PRESS CONFERENCE IN FRONT OF CITY HALL AT WHICH TIME HE
DENOUNCED ALBANY CITY COMMISSION AND PROMISED ADDITIONAL
QUOTE PEACEFUL DEMONSTRATIONS UNQUOTE. KING THEN PROCEEDED TO
MT. ZION CHURCH WHERE APPROXIMATELY SIXTEEN HUNDRED NEGROES
ARE ATTENDING MASS MEETING.

NEGRO MEMBERS OF ALBANY MOVEMENT INTEND

TO STAGE A DEMONSTRATION SOMETIME AFTER TEN PM TONIGHT.

CIC ADVISED.

BUREAU WILLBE KEPT ADVISED OF PERTINENT DEVELOPMENTS.

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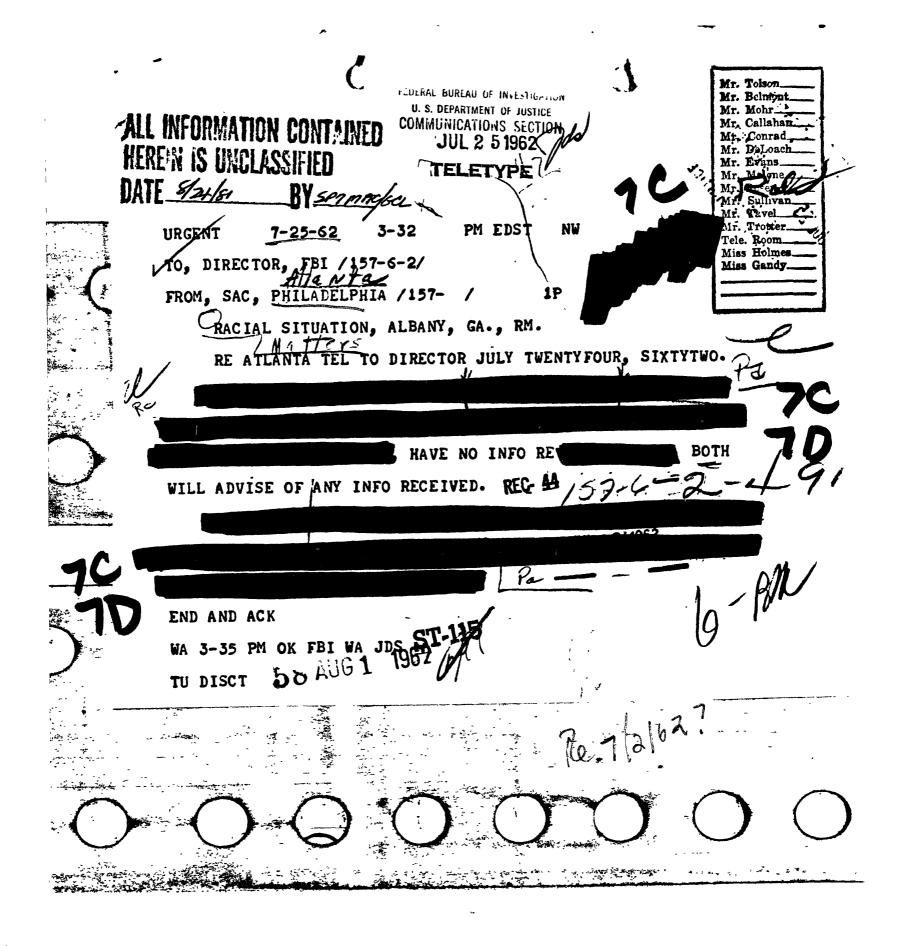
AND MAY BE CONTACTED THROUGH ALBANY, GA. RESIDENT AGENCY.

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VNITED STATES GOVERNMENT Sullivan Mr. Belmont DATE: July 24, 1962 Trotter Holmes A. Rosen SUBJECT: RACIAL SITUATION BACCEL MICHIES - ATLANTA ALBANY, GEORGIA RACIAL MATTERS SYNOPSIS Negro Attorney Donald Hollowell has filed petition with Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals to vacate restraining order issued 7/20/62 by U. S. District Judge J. Robert Elliott. Hearing set for 7/24/62. Department consulted in view of above as to whether interviews of persons named in restraining order should be interviewed. Department advised lus to proceed with interviews. Negro Attorneys on 7/23/62 attempted to have U.S. District Judge William A. Bootle vacate restraining order. He refused. Statement Held, 7/23/62 with 800 in attendance. Reverend Ralph Abernathy and Slater King were speakers. Abernathy spoke of beating of Mrs. Slater King by officers at Mitchell County Jail when she visited prisoners. Slater King attacked local, state and Federal government. After meeting a group of Negroes were arrested when they failed Martin Luther King, Jr., offered to leave Albany if Police and to disperse and blocked sidewalk. City Commission would hear grievances of Albany Movement. King remarked to another Negro leader at meeting with Chief Pritchett, "Do you think Bobby Kennedy would prosecute me when he calls me at various places throughout the country for advice?!' Petition for restraining order mentioned lives of FBI Agents were $^\prime$ endangered by throwing of rocks. This was based on incident $\frac{7}{10}/62$ when two Agents were in unmarked police car interviewing officers of Albany Police Department (PD) and Negro hoodlums threw rocks at car. A newspaper 1 - Mr. Mohr - Mr. DeLoach _JUL 30 1962'

article incorrectly stated Agents were in marked police car. A marked police car had also been stoned.

Albany City Attorney does not contemplate requesting any testimony of above Agents.

On 7/23/62 Martin Luther King furnished allegations to Albany Resident Agency (RA) that Mrs. Slater King beaten 7/23/62 by unknown police officers at Mitchell County Jail.

Chief of Police Pritchett of Albany attempted to interview Mrs. King but not allowed to do so.

Department requested investigation of beating of Mrs. King. Slater King abused interviewing Agent and "damned" Federal government. Mrs. King interviewed and signed statement obtained. She is five and one-half months pregnant. No injury in the labora child. Interviews of other witnesses and attempts to identify subjects being made.

ACTION:

A memorandum for the Attorney General is being prepared.

DETAILS

The Atlanta Office ascertained from United States Attorney (USA) in Atlanta that Negro Attorney Donald Hollowell had contacted Judge Elbert P. Tuttle of Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals in order to file a petition to vacate the restraining order issued by U. S. District Judge J. Robert Elliott on 7/20/62 which order restrains certain individuals and organizations from conducting various demonstrations at Albany, Georgia. Judge Tuttle agreed to a hearing set for 10:00 a. m., 7/24/62.

In view of above the Department was contacted to ascertain if interviews of persons named in the restraining order should be conducted. The interviews are to determine if the individuals had knowledge of the existence of the order and whether any of the persons arrested were acting in concert with them or under their instructions.

The Department instructed us to proceed with the interviews. The Atlanta Office was so advised.

On 7/23/62 four attorneys appeared before U. S. District Judge William A. Bootle, Middle District of Georgia to file two petitions to vacate the restraining order of Judge Elliott. Judge Bootle refused to hear the matter since it is being handled by another judge.

A mass meeting of Albany Movement was held the night of 7/23/62 at Shiloh Baptist Church, Albany, and approximately 800 persons attended. Police units were removed from the area due to tense situation wherein Negro hoodlums were observed drinking and carrying home-made pipe weapons.

After the meeting was over a group of Negroes led by Vincent Harding, a Negro Mennonite minister, stopped before City Hall. They left when requested to by police but returned again and refused to move so they were arrested for failure to obey police officer and obstructing sidewalk.

During the above meeting, Reverend Ralph Abernathy and Slater King were main speakers. Abernathy described alleged beating of Slater King's wife by officers at Camilla, Georgia. Abernathy stated he was ready to fight for his rights.

Slater King in his speech denounced the municipal, state and Federal government. He is quoted as stating "damnable Federal government has turned their backs on us." Slater King stated he was tired of waiting for his rights and he was ready to fight. King also announced a celebration meeting tonight, 7/24/62, in anticipation of favorable action by Judge Tuttle in vacating the restraining order.

Chief of Police Laurie Pritchett, Albany Police Department (PD), advised that Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr., and three other leaders of Negro movement conferred with him on 7/23/62 and offered to leave Albany if Pritchett and City Commissioner would agree to hear grievances of Albany Movement. Pritchett declined in view of pending court action. During conversation Martin Luther King asked Dr. Anderson of the Albany Movement, who accompanied King, "Do you think Bobby Kennedy would prosecute me when he calls me at various places throughout the country for advice?

The petition upon which the restraining order signed by Judge Elliott was based contains in item 19 a remark that defendants had at various times threatened police officers and engaged in acts of violence involving the throwing of rocks, bottles and other objects endangering lives of citizens, police officers and Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI). The information concerning FBI Agents relates to an incident on 7/10/62 when young Negro hoodlums threw rocks and bottles at a marked and an unmarked police car in which two Agents of Albany Resident Agency (RA) were interviewing two police officers of Albany PD concerning up-to-the-minute details on the Albany situation. The "Albany Herald" newspaper on 7/11/62 contained a short reference to the item which mentioned that there was a spot of violence when young Negroes near Shiloh Baptist Church threw a brick and shattered the \$100 dome light of a police cruiser. The article reported two FBI Agents were in the patrol car at the time. The article is in error since the Agents were in the unmarked car.

The Albany City Attorney has advised that he does not contemplate requesting any testimony of FBI Agents in the above matter.

On 7/23/62 Martin Luther King complained to Albany RA that Mrs. Slater King visited prisoners at Mitchell County Jail, Camilla, Georgia, was beaten, knocked to ground and kicked by two police officers.

Chief of Police Pritchett had heard of incident and attempted to interview Mrs. King but was refused admission. According to Chief Pritchett, newsmen had already interviewed and photographed Mrs. King.

The above information was furnished to the Civil Rights Division of the Department. The Department requested interview of Mrs. King, any subjects identified by her and readily available witnesses. The extent of injuries should be ascertained and any visible effects photographed.

Agents of Atlanta Office went to King's residence on 7/23/62 to interview Mrs. King. She was under sedation and Agents talked to Slater King. King abused S. King abused S. King abused S. King at the Albany City Jail when he was pushed against the bars. King stated, "the damn Federal government didn't do anything for me then and won't now. The Federal government is no damn good. What are you wasting our time for?" He thereafter told Agents to go ahead and interview his wife. King remained present during the interview.

Mrs. King was interviewed and furnished a signed statement in which she alleges she was pushed, kicked, and shoved to the ground, by two unidentified police officers outside Mitchell County Jail. Mrs. King is five and one-half months pregnant. Attending physician, Dr. Jacob L. Shurley appeared before interview was over and advised of bruises on Mrs. King and that unborn fetus appeared to be alright.

Other known witnesses will be interviewed today and attempts made to identify and interview subjects.

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Director, IBI

ALBANY, GEORGIA

RACIAL MATTERS

Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr., held a press conference on July 25, 1962, at which he announced that no further demonstrations will be held in Albany, Georgia, until noon of July 26, 1962. Reverend King also announced there will be no more might marches held in connection with the demonstrations at Albany.

from moon on July 25, 1962, until moon July 26, 1962, for the purpose of efforing prayers for the "brothren who are not yet peaceful." In connection with the violence which accurred on the evening of July 24, 1962, Reverend King denight that anyone connected with the Albany Movement was responsible. He stated, however, that he would accept responsible were members of the Megro community in Albany.

During the press conference Reverend King stated that he and Pto W. G. Anderson, President of the Albany Movement, a Negro group seeking desegregation of facilities in Albany, plathed to personally visit the liquor stores and "juke joints" in the Negro area for the surpose of explaining their position of nenviolence to the Negro community.

Reverend Ring announced that menviolent demonstrations would resume on July 26, 1962, and workshops to indectrinate participants in monviolent techniques would be held at the Shiloh Baptist Church in Albany,

The above information was furnished to be Civil Rights Division of the Department on July 25,

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The Attorney General

On July 24, 1962, Dr. W. G. Anderson, on behalf of himself and others, filed a civil action number 730 in the District Court, Middle District of Georgia, complaining of segregation policies in effect in public facilities in the City of Albany.

Another civil action, number 731, was filed in the same court against the City of Albany by Dr. Anderson and others in an attempt to enjoin the City of Albany, Georgia, from interfering in parades, sit-ins and demonstrations.

Copies of these civil actions are being obtained and will be furnished to the Department.

Information had previously been furnished to the Civil Rights Division that attempts had been made to file these actions but the clerk of the court had not accepted them due to insufficient copies of the petition being presented to the court.

There were no demonstrations or incidents of a racial nature in Albany on July 25, 1962.

Governor S. Ernest Vandiver of Georgia publicly announced on July 25, 1962, that he would call out the Georgia National Guard, 12 necessary, to maintain peace and order.

Chief of Police Maurie Pritchett, Albany, Georgia, has advised that with the assistance of the 75 to 100 members of the Georgia State Patrol, temporarily under his command in Albany, his man power is sufficient to maintain order.

There have been no further gatherings of white persons at the Mitchell Gounty Jail at Camilla, Georgia, since July 24, 1962. Negre juveniles who were arrested for demonstrations in Albany are incarcerated at this jail.

The Attorney General

On July 25, 1962, 600 Regroes gathered in the Mt. Zion Church in Albany. Additional persons gathered in the Shiloh Baptist Church located directly across the street from the Mt. Zion Church. Twenty-five to thirty young persons were at the Shiloh Church and it was observed that instructions were being given to the group to gather in circles with arms interlocked. The group would then sway from side to side.

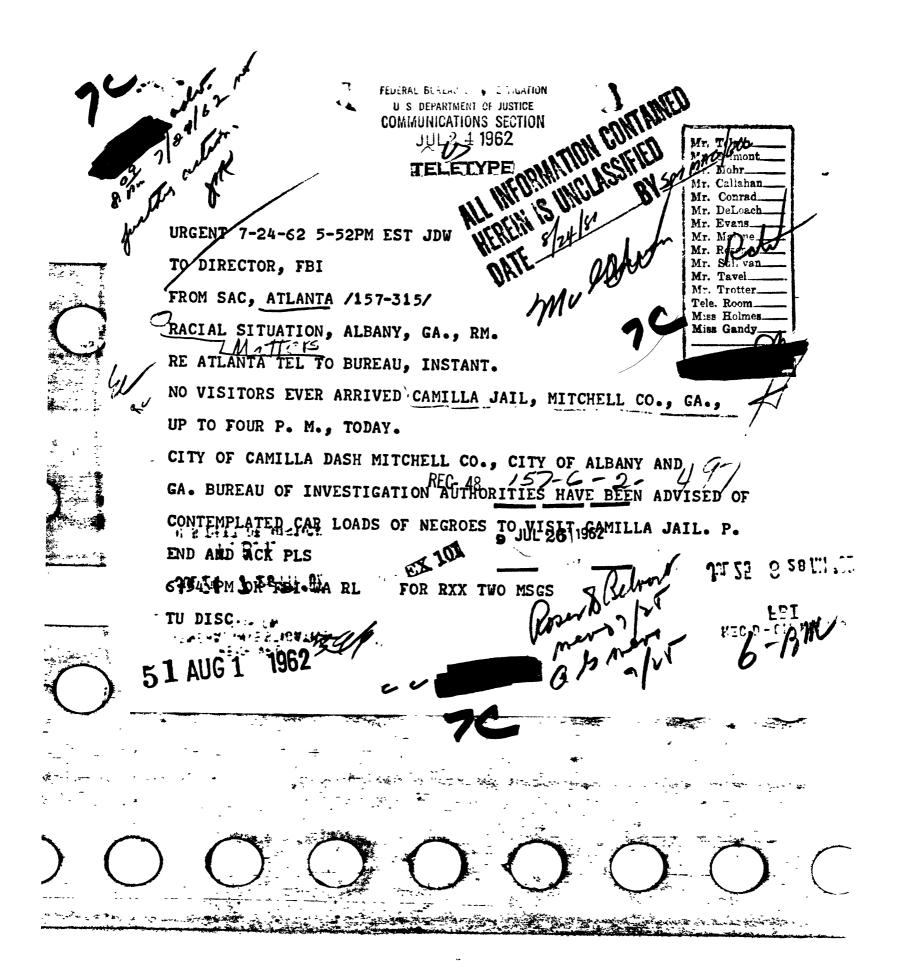
has ventured the epinion that the above maneuver is apparently a demonstration technique that might be held in the future to force police officers to lay hands on the demonstrators in order to effect an arrest.



Additional developments will be promptly furnished to the Department as they occur.

- 1 The Deputy Attorney General
- l Mr. Burke Marshall Assistant Attorney General

Mr. Tolson. Mr. Belmont. FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION Mr. Mohr_ U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE Mr. Callahan COMMUNICATIONS SECTION Mr. Conrad. Mr. DeLoach JUL2 51962 Mr. Evans. Mr. Malon TELETYPE Mr. Ros Mr. Sulivan Mr. Tavel Mr. Trotter Tele. Room. Miss Holmes Miss Gandy URGENT 7-24-62 11-45PM EST JDW TO DIRECTOR FBI /157-6-2/ FROM SAC ATLANTA /157-315/ RACIAL SITUATION, ALBANY, GA. REMYTEL ONE THIRTY PM INSTANT RE SEVERAL CAR LOADS OF PEOPLE PLANNING TO DRIVE FROM ALBANY TO MITCHELL COUNTY JAIL, CAMILLA, GA., THIS DATE TO VISIT PRISONERS. SOURCES IN ALBANY, GA., AS OF TEN PM INSTANT ADVISED THESE PLANS HAVE NOT MATERIALIZED. CIC ADVISED. END AND ACK OLS 12-48 AM OK FBI WA HFL TU DISCV 9 JUL 26 1962 DATE \$/24/81 51 AUG 1 196



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RE ATLANTA TEL ONE ELEVEN AM TODAY.

ADVISED DR.

MARTIN LUTHER KING HELD PRESS CONFERENCE IN BACKYARD OF DR. W. G. ANDERSON OF ALBANY ABOUT NOON TODAY. HE ANNOUNCED DAY OF PENANCE WOULD START TODAY AT TWELVE NOON TO PRAY FOR THE BRETHERN WHO WERE NOT YET PEACEFUL. HE DENIED ANYONE CONNECTED WITH ALBANY MOVEMENT WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR VIOLENCE DURING EVENING JULY TWENTYFOUR LAST BUT STATED THEY WOULD ACCEPT RESPONSIBILITY FOR IT SINCE THOSE STARTING THE VIOLENCE WERE A PART OF NEGRO COMMUNITY IN ALBANY.

HE AND DR. W. G. ANDERSON WOULD PERSONALLY VISIT LIQUOR
STORES AND JUKE JOINTS IN NEGRO AREA OF ALBANY THIS AFTERNOON
AND EXPLAIN THEIR NON-VIOLENT POSITION. KING FURTHER ANNOUNCED
THE NON-VIOLENT DEMONSTRATIONS WOULD RESUME TOMORROW AFTERNOON,
JULY TWENTYSIX, AND NON-VIOLENT WORK SHOPS WOULD BE HELD

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IN SHILDH BAPTIST CHURCH. KING ANNOUNCED TODAY THERE WOULD BE NO MORE NIGHT MARCHES. KING DID NOT EXPLAIN WHAT HE MEANT BY NON-VIOLENT.

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FOUR TWENTYFIVE PM JULY TWENTYFOUR LAST, W. G. ANDERSON,

ETAL, PLAINTIFFS, VERSUS CITY OF ALBANY COMPLAINING OF

SEGREGATION OF PUBLIC FACILITIES IN CITY, AND CIVIL ACTION

NO. SEVEN THREE ONE FILED NINE TWENTYFIVE AM TODAY, MDGA,

BY W. G. ANDERSON, ETAL, COMPLAINANTS, VERSUS CITY OF

ALBANY, ENJOINING CITY OF ALBANY FROM INTERFERING IN

PARADES, SIT-INS AND DEMONSTRATIONS.

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ZERO AND SEVEN THREE ONE BEING FORWARDED BUREAU DIRECT
FROM ALBANY RA.

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UNITED STATES GOV Callaha emorana.... Contad Evans Mr. Rosen July 24, 1962 DATE: Tavel . C. L. McGowa FROM: RACIAL SITUATION SUBJECT: ALBANY, GEORGIA ORACIAL MATTERS - ATLANTA The restraining order against integration/groups and integration leaders such as Martin Luther King, Ralph Abernathy and others was stayed this date by order of Judge Elbert P. Tuttle of the U. S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit. Martin Luther King and other leaders are proceeding from Atlanta to Albany and a mass meeting is scheduled to be held in Albany tonight 7/24/62. SAC McMahon of the Atlanta Office is proceeding with a squad of Agents to Albany, Georgia, in view of the potentially explosive racial situation They are not going to participate in handling demonstrations. The SAC and Agents will be available to give the Bureau first hand report on activities and developments. The squad will be available to expeditiously handle matters coming within our primary jurisdiction. We will not institute investigations unless directed by the Department, except matters of police brutality. We have, in the past, received numerous civil rights complaints whenever there has been a mass demonstration of this nature. There are 14 Agents in Albany with McMahon and 6 Agents on a stand-by basis in nearby Resident Agencies. 57-6-2-409 9 JUL 26 1962 BY SOO MAC/GCL REC- 61. 1 - Mr. Mohr

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UNITED STATES GOV lemorana Mr. Belmont (Work DATE: July 23, 1962 RACIAL SITUATION SUBJECT: ALBANY, GEORGIA RACIAL MATTERS On the morning of 7/23/62, four attorneys appeared before Judge William Bootle of the Middle District of Georgia, Macon, Georgia, and attempted to file two petitions in this matter. It is noted that on 7/20/62U. S. District Judge Robert Elliott signed a temporary restraining order enjoining officers of named organizations from sponsoring, financing or encouraging unlawful picketing in Albany. One of the petitions was designed to nullify the restraining order. Judge Bootle, however, refused to hear the attorneys and stated that this was a matter which was being heard by another judge. The attorneys did not then offer the second petition. Contents of this second petition are unknown at this time. CLM:ers · (6) 1 - Mr. Mohr 1 - Mr. DeLoach INFORMATION CONTAINED

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lolsor UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT Conrad Page Evans Malone lemorandum Rosen __ Sullivan Mr. Belmont DATE: July 24, 1962 Trotter Holmes A. Rosen? FROM: RACIAL SITUATION SUBJECT: ALBANY, GEORGIA CRACIAL MATTERS - - 1/aut. Martin Luther King, Jr., and other defendants named in the restraining order issued by Judge Elliott on 7/20/62, had a hearing before Judge Tuttle of the Circuit Court of Appeals today. The hearing which was conducted in Atlanta, Georgia, was on a request for a stay in the execution of the restraining order. Judge Tuttle after the hearing granted a stay until 7/30/62. It is noted that a hearing on the order was previously scheduled for Monday, 7/30/62. Dept being advised 1 - Mr. Mohr 1 - Mr. DeLoach 1 - Mr. Evans CLM:ers (9) 18 JUL 26 1962

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Atlanta, Georgia July 23, 1962

RACIAL SITUATION ALBANY, GEORGIA

On July 20, 1962,

Luther King, Jr., King's wife, Ralph Abernathy and Bernard Tee arrived in Albany at approximately 3:00 PM, July 20, 1962.

He stated that Mayor Asa Kelly and City Attorney Grady Rawls of Albany were in Atlanta, Georgia, July 20, 1962, meeting with State officials to discuss possibility of State injunction against mass demonstrations by the Albany Movement.

stated a letter had not been received by city officials from Martin Luther King, Jr. requesting permit for demonstration or parade. He stated a letter, dated July 19, 1962, signed by Dr. W. G. Anderson, stating, "The Albany Movement proposes to manifest a peaceful protest in front of the City Hall on Saturday July 21, 1962, at 4 o'clock PM", had been received by the Albany City Manager on July 20, 1962.

The letter further stated, "The purpose of this gathering is to manifest the presence of God, the Albany community and the world our great concern over the inability of the Negro citizens of Albany to effectively communicate to the city fathers their community problems".

for 8:00 PM, July 20, 1962, at the Third Kiokee Baptist Church, Albany.

advised that approximately ten Negro teenagers entered Lee Drug Company, Albany, about 5:00 PM, July 20, 1962. He stated reporters were present when they arrived and the Negroes were met by the store manager, who requested the Negroes to leave, which they did and the rewere no incidents.

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stated at the same time ten to twelve Negro teenagers, led by Charles Joseph Jones, Field Secretary, Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee (SNVCC), arrived at the Tallulah Massey City Park, that Assistant Chief of Police James Lairsey was present and requested Jones not to cause any disturbance. Jones and the group voluntarily left and there were no incidents,

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He advised on July 21, 1962, that between 2500 and 3000 Negroes attended a mass meeting of the Albany Movement on the night of July 20, 1962, at the Third Kiokee Baptist Church, that Martin Luther King, Jr. instructed members to meet at the Shiloh Church at 2:00 PM, July 21, 1962, for a mass demonstration before City Hall, and King stated he would lead the demonstration.

stated that a motorcade of Negroes from Florida, estimated at 100 persons, arrived in Albany on the night of July 20, 1962.

He stated no incidents were reported.

On July 21, 1962, United States Attorney Floyd M. Buford, Middle District of Georgia, Macon, advised that Asa Kelly, Mayor of Albany, filed suit at 10:55 PM, July 20, 1962, in United States District Court, Middle District of Georgia, seeking injunctive relief regarding the racial situation of Albany, Georgia. United States Federal Judge Robert Elliott signed temporary restraining order enjoining specified officers of CORE, Southern Christian Leadership Conference, Students Non-Violent Coordinating Committee, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, Albany Movement and persons acting in concert with above organizations from continuing to sponsor, finance and encourage unlawful picketing in the City of Albany as well as unlawful congregating or marching in streets or public ways of the City of Albany; further enjoined from encouraging or participating in any boycott in restraint of trade or other act designed to provoke

breaches of the peace or any act in violation of the above provisions.

He stated the United States Marshal would serve following persons on the morning of July 21, 1962:

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M. S. Page, Dr. W. G. Anderson, Slater King, Charles Jones, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Ralph Abernathy, Wyatt Tee Walker and Mrs. Ruby Hurley.

He stated the hearing regarding the injunction was set for 2:00 PM, July 30, 1962, in United States District Court, Albany, Georgia.

advised the United States Marshal served restraining order and injunction on Rev. M. F. Adams, local chairman, NAACP, Allany, and Charles Jones, Field Secretary, SNVCC, but had been unable to locate others named above.

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An Albany detective car assigned to the residence of Dr. W. G. Anderson, for protection, when Anderson, Martin Luther King, Jr. and Rev. Ralph Abernathy, retired July 20, 1962, was still there when the U. S. Marshal attempted to serve Anderson, King and Abernathy at 11:00 AM, July 21, 1962; however, the three apparently left the residence during the night. The Marshal was continuing efforts to serve the individuals named.

in vicinity of the Bethel Church in Albany that King, Abernathy and Anderson were seen going into the church at 12:55 PM, July 21, 1962.

U. S. Marshal attempting to obtain opinion of the U. S. Attorney, Middle District of Georgia, regarding serving warrant on them if located in church.

stated the Albany police intend to arrest individuals if they parade.

He stated that Martin Luther King, Rev. Ralph Abernathy and Dr. W. G. Anderson appeared at the Albany Police Department 2:00 PM, July 21, 1962, and at that time the U. S. Marshal served them with injunction and restraining order.

He stated the Albany Movement held a meeting at the Mt. Shiloh Baptist Church on the afternoon of July 21, 1962, that Dr. Anderson presided at the meeting and nothing of pertinence occurred.

stated the Albany Movement held a meeting at Mt. Shiloh Baptist Church on the evening of July 21, 1962, that at 9:04 PM, Dr. Martin Luther King entered the church and began an emotional tirade. The people shouted, "Freedom" many times; at 9:14 PM, approximately 110 Negroes, mostly juveniles, left the church and began walking up the street. At Broad Avenue and South Jackson Street, Chief of Police Pritchett stopped the group. They all lay on the ground and chanted from three to five minutes. Then they all stood up. The assistant police chief asked if the demonstration had been completed and they said it had. They were then instructed to follow officers and were taken to the Albany City Jail and booked for parading without a permit. No individuals who were served with restraining order were in the demonstration.

At 10:10 PM, 40 Negroes who left Mt. Shiloh Baptist Church were stopped by the police at Broad Avenue and South Jackson Streets and taken to the Albany Jail. They were similarly charged.

The juveniles who were among above 150 arrested were taken to the Mitchell County Jail, Camilla, Georgia, for detention.

The meeting of the Albany Movement held at the Mt. Shiloh Baptist Church, July 21, 1962, broke up at about 11:45 PM. The leader of demonstration, where 110 Negroes were arrested, was Rev. Samuel Wells, Pastor of the Shiloh Church, who was among those arrested. The second demonstration had no recognizable leader.

The police reported no further gatherings or demonstrations of Negroes in Albany, were held as of midnight, July 21, 1962.

on July 22, 1962, advised that Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. held press conference at residence of Dr. W. G. Anderson, at 3:00 PM, July 22, 1962, and gave general reiteration statements of previous statements justifying activities of the Albany Movement. He alleged Federal Judge Robert Elliott, Middle District of Georgia, who issued restraining order, is part of conspiracy of southern Federal Judges who are pro-segregationists; stated plans to continue violating laws which are offensive to him, that his lawyers plan to contact Federal Judge William A. Bootle, Middle District of Georgia, July 23, 1962, to request Bootle rescind Federal restraining order. He stated King declined comment on past or future demonstrations.

He stated a meeting was scheduled for several Negro churches in Albany the night of July 22, 1962, where it is anticipated King, Abernathy or leaders of the Albany Movement will speak. He stated no information developed of any demonstration planned for July 22, 1962.

advised on July 22, 1962, meeting held at Shiloh Church night of July 22, 1962, and speeches made by local Negro mink ters. Religious services were conducted and no activity by persons identified as leaders of the Albany Movement.

He stated Attorney Donald Hollowell, acting for Albany Movement and Martin Luther King, Jr., allegedly petitioned for dismissal of pending injunction; petition allegedly filed with U. S. Federal Judge William A. Bootle, Macon, Georgia; that hearing allegedly set for July 23, 1962.

U. S. Attorney Floyd M. Buford, Macon, stated he has no knowledge of any petition filed concerning the pending injunction.

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ADMINISTRATIVE:

All persons interviewed were advised that this investigation was being conducted at the request of the U. S. Attorney General.

No copies of the Temporary Restraining Order are being forwarded to the Bureau inasmuch as two copies were forwarded on July 23, 1962.

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Copy to:

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Report of:

July 24, 1962

Office: Atlanta, Georgia

Field Office File No.: 157-315

Bureau File No.:

RACIAL SITUATION ALBANY, GEORGIA

Character:

RACIAL MATTERS

Symopsis:

Temporary Restraining Order issued evening 7/20/62 restraining certain individuals and organizations from acts of picketing, demonstrations, parades, boycotts, and riotous conduct which threatens the good order, public peace and tranquility of the City of Albany, Georgia, and violates certain Georgia Laws. Persons named in Restraining Order interviewed and advised that they were aware the Restraining Order had been issued and that persons demonstrating after issuance of Restraining Order were not acting in concert with persons named in Restraining Order. Also advised Reverend SAMUEL WELLS not acting in concert with individuals mentioned in Restraining Order. One individual refused to be interviewed without benefit of counsel.

ENCLOSURE TO UNITED STATES ATTORNEY, MACON, GEORGIA

One copy of Temporary Restraining Order.

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Civil Action File Number 727, in the Middle District of Georgia, Albany Division, which was filed July 20, 1962, sets forth the following Order:

"GEORGIA, MUSCOGEE COUNTY

"It appearing to the Court from the sworn allegations of the complaint that defendants threaten to continue and intensify their acts of mass picketing, demonstrations, parades, boycotts, and riotous conduct which threatens the good order, public peace and tranquility of the City of Albany, and that said acts are in violation of Ga. Laws 1960, p. 142; Ga. Code, Sections 26-5301, 26-5302, 26-902, 42 U. S. C. A. Section 1985 (3); and ordinances of the City of Albany governing parades, disturbing the peace, and compliance with lawful orders of police officers; that such acts threaten mob violence and tend to deny other citizens of the City of Albany equal protection of the laws, and that such injury is imminent, immediate, and irreparable, and will result to Plaintiffs before notice can be served and a hearing had thereon.

"Ordered, that defendants M. S. Page, Dr. W. G. Anderson, Slater King, Charles Jones, Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr, Reverend Ralph Abernathy, Reverend Wyatt Tee Walker, Mrs. Ruby Hurley, Congress of Racial Equality, Southern Christian Leadership Conference Student Non-Violence Coordinating Committee, The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, and The Albany Movement, and each of them, and their officers, agents, servants, employees and attorneys and those persons in active concert or participation with them who receive actual notice of this order by personal service or otherwise, be and they are hereby restrained and enjoined from continuing to sponsor, finance or encourage unlawful picketing in the City of Albany, from engaging or participating in any unlawful congregating or marching in the streets, on the sidewalks, or other public ways of the City of Albany, Georgia, from conspiring, encouraging or participating in any boycott in restraint of trade, or from doing any other act designed to provoke breaches of the peace or from doing any act in violation of the provisions herein referred to.

"It is ordered that a hearing on this restraining order be heard before me at 2 P. M. on July 30, 1962, at Albany, Georgia. AT 157-315

"It is further ordered that the plaintiffs give security for the payment of any costs and damages in the amount of \$250.00, said bond to be approved by the Clerk or his authorized deputy.

"Entered at Columbus, this 20th of July, 1962, at 10:55 o'clock P. M.

"J. Robert Elliott
"JUDGE, UNITED STATES DISTRICT
COURT, MIDDLE DISTRICT OF GEORGIA"

advised that 161 individuals were arrested for demonstrating on the streets in Albany, Georgia, and were jailed for violation of the law prohibiting parading without a permit.

stated that the leader of the demonstrators was Reverend SAMUEL WELLS, Pastor of the Mt. Shiloh Baptist Church, Albany, Georgia.

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Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., furnished the following signed statement:

to me as Special Agents of the FBI.

"Atlanta, Ga. July 24, 1962

"I, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. after having been advised of my rights to legal counsel, that I do not have to make a statement and that any statement I make may be used in a court of law against me make the following free and voluntary statement to SA's and who have identified themselves

"I was born in Atlanta, Ca., on Jan. 25, 1929 and am President of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference. I first became aware of the injunction issued by Judge Elliott of the Middle District of Georgia at Columbus, Ga. on Saturday morning July 20, 1962 at approximately 11:30 a.m. or 12:00. I was served by the V. S. Marshall with a copy of this injunction on Sat. afternoon about 2:30 p.m. on 7/20/62.

"I was not in any way acting in concert with any of the demonstrators arrested in Albany Ga. on the night of 7/20/62 and neither were they acting in concert with me. Their actions and demonstrations were certainly not at my instruction. I after due prayerful consideration, and because of the past positions taken by the Federal Judiciary, concluded to comply with the provisions of the iminction and counseled my associates also named to comply with the provisions. I concluded to vigoriously oppose the injunction in the courts.

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"The demonstration Saturday night appeared to originate in Shiloh Baptist Church as I approached that gathering about 9:00 p.m.

"Nev. Samuel Wells was addressing the group and shortly thereafter a spontaneous demonstration took place. I did not enter the main meeting area of the church but rather went to the office where I remained and I doubt that any of the demonstrators were aware of my presence in the area.

"Rev. Samuel Wells, who possibly has a rural congregation is a member of the Albany Movement if such is possible in a non-chartered organization in that he attended meetings. There are no dues involved in belonging to this group. I know of no other organizations with which Rev. Wells is affiliated.

"I have read the above statement and it is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. /s/ "Martin Luther King, Jr.

"Witnessed:

FBI, Atlanta, Ga., 7/24/62. FBI, Atlanta, Ga., 7/24/62.

The following description was obtained during interview:

Race Megro
Sex Male
Date of Birth January 25, 1929
Age 33
Height 5' 7"
Weight 160 pounds
Hair Black

Weight 160 pounds
Hair Black
Eyes Brown
Complexion Medium

Occupation President, Southern Christian Leadership Conference

Assistant Pastor
Ebenezer Baptist Church
Education Graduated from Morehouse

College in 1948.

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was not required to furnish any information, that any information furnished by him could be used in a court of law, that such information must be voluntary and that he was entitled to an attorney, furnished the following information:

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he first had knowledge of the Restraining Order issued by U. S. District Judge ROBERT ELLIOTT, Middle District of Georgia, on July 20, 1962, at approximately 11:00 or 11:30 a.m., July 21, 1962. On July 21, 1962, was in Albany, Georgia, and a U. S. Marshal personally served notice on him.

7C 7D To the best of knowledge, persons who participated in any demonstration in Albany, Georgia, July 21, 1962, were not acting in concert with or at the instruction or direction of any of the defendants named in connection with the afore-mentioned Restraining Order. Any activity on the part of such persons was purely the result of their own accord.

7C 7D The only organization that knows Reverend SAMUEL WELLS to be a member of is the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. WELLS currently has participated in activities of the Albany Movement in Albany, Georgia. Reverend WELLS is an individual of strong personal convictions and any activity on his part in Albany, Georgia, which may appear to be in concert with the actions of the named defendants would have appeared so as a matter of pure coincidence and not at the instruction or direction of the named defendants.

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"July 24, 1962 Atlanta, Ga.

statement to and and who have identified themselves to me as Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. I have been advised that no threats, promises or offers of reward are being made to induce me to make this statement, that any statement I do make may be used against me in a court of law; that I have a right to an attorney and that any statement I make must be voluntary.

"I am aware that an injunction in which I was named as a defendant was signed on July 20, 1962 by U. S. District Judge, ROBERT E. ELLIOT, Middle District of Georgia and I have read the injunction.

"I have not asked anyone to take any action contrary to this injunction. I have no knowledge of the intent of any persons to violate this injunction.

"I know Reverend SAMUEL WELLS and I am certain he is a member of the National Association for The Advancement of Colored People. I don't know of any other corporate organizations to which he belongs. I do know that Rev. WELLS is in sympathy with the objectives of the Albany Movement but this organization has no formal membership.

"Congress of Racial Equality Southern Christian Leadership Conference

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"Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee

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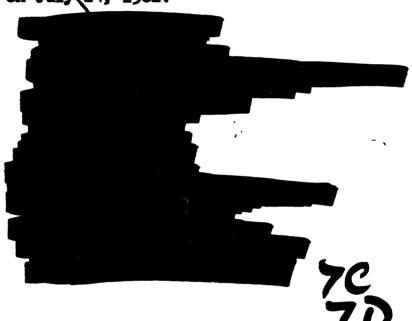
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The following description was obtained by observation and interview on July 24, 1962:

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and who have identified themselves to me as special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. This statement is made without any threats or promises and of my own free will. I realize it can be used against me in a court of law. I have been advised of my right to an attorney.

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"On 7/20/62 I heard on a late evening newsbroadcast that a restraining order was anticipated in connection with activities by persons in Albany, Georgia. On 7/21/62 at approximately 2:00 p.m. a United States Marshal served me with personal notice of the restraining order issued by Judge Robert Elliot on 7/20/62.

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"To the best of my knowledge those persons who participated in a demonstration in Albany, Georgia on 7/21/62 did not act in concert with, at the instruction or direction of any of the defendants named in connection with the restraining order. I know that persons named in the restraining order conferred late in the

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afternoon of 7/21/62 and agreed to abide by the restraining order. I do not know of any defendant named who did not abide by the restraining order.

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"I know Reverend Samuel Wells only casually. I believe he is permanently located in Albany. The only organization I know him to currently participate in is the Albany Movement. I cannot say he is correctly a member of the Albany Movement because this is an un-incorporated organization. He does not hold any office and is not an official of the Albany Movement. Hev. Wells, to my knowledge, did not act in concert with, at the instruction or direction of any of the defendants named in connection with the restraining order. He did not act as a representative of any of these defendants. Any activity on the part of Rev. Samuel Wells recently in Albany, Georgia has been strictly of his own creation.

"I have read the above statement consisting of this and three other handwritten pages. It is true and correct.

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Special Agent, FBI, Atlanta, Ga. 7/24/62."

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his right against self inorimination and his right to counsel, furnished the following information:

He first had knowledge of the restraining order issued by United States District Judge ROBERT ELLIOTT, Middle District of Georgia, restraining various individuals and organizations including himself, at 4:00 p.m., July 21, 1962, when he was served with the summons by Deputy U. S. Marshal

To his knowledge, the demonstration on Saturday night, July 21, 1962, at Albany, Georgia, was spontaneous. At the time of this demonstration he was not at Shiloh Baptist Church nor did he participate in the demonstration. He has no knowledge of anyone named in the pending suit who was in concert with any of the persons participating in the demonstration.

He has no knowledge that Reverend SAMUEL WELIS is a member of any of the organizations named in the pending suit, nor has he any information that WELIS was acting in concert with any of the named defendants or under the direction of any of the organizations named in the pending suit. WELIS attends meetings of the Albany Movement regularly, however, the Albany Movement has no membership list and the membership is made up of persons who voluntarily support the ideals of this movement.

declined to furnish a signed statement.

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On July 24, 1962, Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., advised he cannot understand why Congress of Racial Equality (CORE) was named in the Restraining Order inasmuch as this organization doe not have any members in Albany and no members were known to be in Albany during the demonstrations during December, 1961.

advised on July 24, 1962, that there is no CORE organization in the State of Georgia and no CORE officials are known to be in Atlanta or Albany, Georgia.



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After above arrests crowd of 3000 to 3500 Negroes converged at Albany and were finally dispersed after being pushed back one block by 20 Albany policemen, 100 Georgia State troopers and six motor cycles.

Two police officers were injured by flying objects, two newsmen injured by flying glass, one newsman had his convertiable car top slashed.

King and other Negro leaders in a car ride by the mob.

SAC McMahon and 14 Agents are on scene to handle matters coming within Bureau's primary jurisdiction.

ACTION

Memorandum is being prepared for the Attorney General.

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DETAILS

to inform FBI that several carloads of people in Albany planned to drive to Mitchell County Jail, Camilla, Georgia, on 7/24/62 to visit prisoners arrested in Albany, Georgia, racial demonstrations.

According to several persons had received thrests from unidentified sources that about 25 white men were waiting at the jail to beat them.

This information was furnished to appropriate city, county and state officials, The Civil Rights Division of the Department was also advised.

About 9:30 p. m. advised that there were between 200 - 250 white persons of Mitchell County congregating in vicinity of the jail. According to these persons are incensed over action of Negroes in Albany and if any visitors come to jail feared violence.

stated there were still 200 white persons in cars and on the street in Camilla and he knew some of them had guns in their cars.

Georgia State Police and Albany police officials are aware of above situation and are not sending any additional prisoners to Camilla.

The restraining order against integration groups and integration leaders as Martin Luther King, Jr., and others issued 7/20/62 was stayed on 7/24/62 by Judge Elbert P. Tuttle, of U. S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit. This information was furnished to the Civil Rights Division of the Department.

An attempt to interview one of the persons named in restraining order, to ascertain possible contempt of order was made on 7/24/62. He refused to be interviewed except in presence of counsel. He was not interviewed.

on vacation on a trip to northeastern states and attempts are being made to locate and interview him concerning contempt of restraining order.

Martin Luther King arrived in Albany from Atlanta at 8:30 p. m., 7/24/62

✓ and requested conference with City Commissioner who usually meet on Tuesday nights. Commissioners were not in session.

King then visited prisoners in jail and held press conference denouncing Albany City Commission and promised additional "peaceful demonstrations." King then proceeded to Mt. Zion Church where 1600 persons were holding meeting.

Two mass meetings were held 7/24/62 at Mt. Zion and Shiloh Churches, Albany, Georgia. Martin Luther King, Reverend Ralph Abernathy, and Dr. W. G. Anderson of Albany Movement addressed both meetings. They urged gatherings to "Put on your marching shoes and follow us."

A group of 40 persons (24 Negro juveniles, 15 Negro adults and 1 white adult) marched to an intersection in Albany. They were met by Chief Laurie Pritchett who asked and and the section of the section where they were going. Leaders replied they were demonstrating and all forty were arrested for parading without a permit.

He is first known representative of CORE in the

area.

Shortly after arrestes of 40 persons a mob of Negro juveniles and adults estimated at 3000 to 3500 converged at an intersection dividing Negro and white neighborhood. Chief Pritchett ordered the mob to disperse. They failed to do so.

The mob was backed off one block by Chief Pritchett, six motorcycles ridden abreast, 20 Albany policemen and 100 Georgia State Patrol troopers. The mob finally dispersed. During activity, no arrests made and no physical contact made by police with the mob.

A Georgia State trooper was hit by a rock, breaking out two teeth and possibly breaking his jaw. One Albany policeman was hit on the foot by flying glass from a thrown bottle. WSB-TV, Atlanta cameraman and reporter was hit by flying glass. The convertible top of car belonging to WALB-TV, Albany photographer, was slashed.

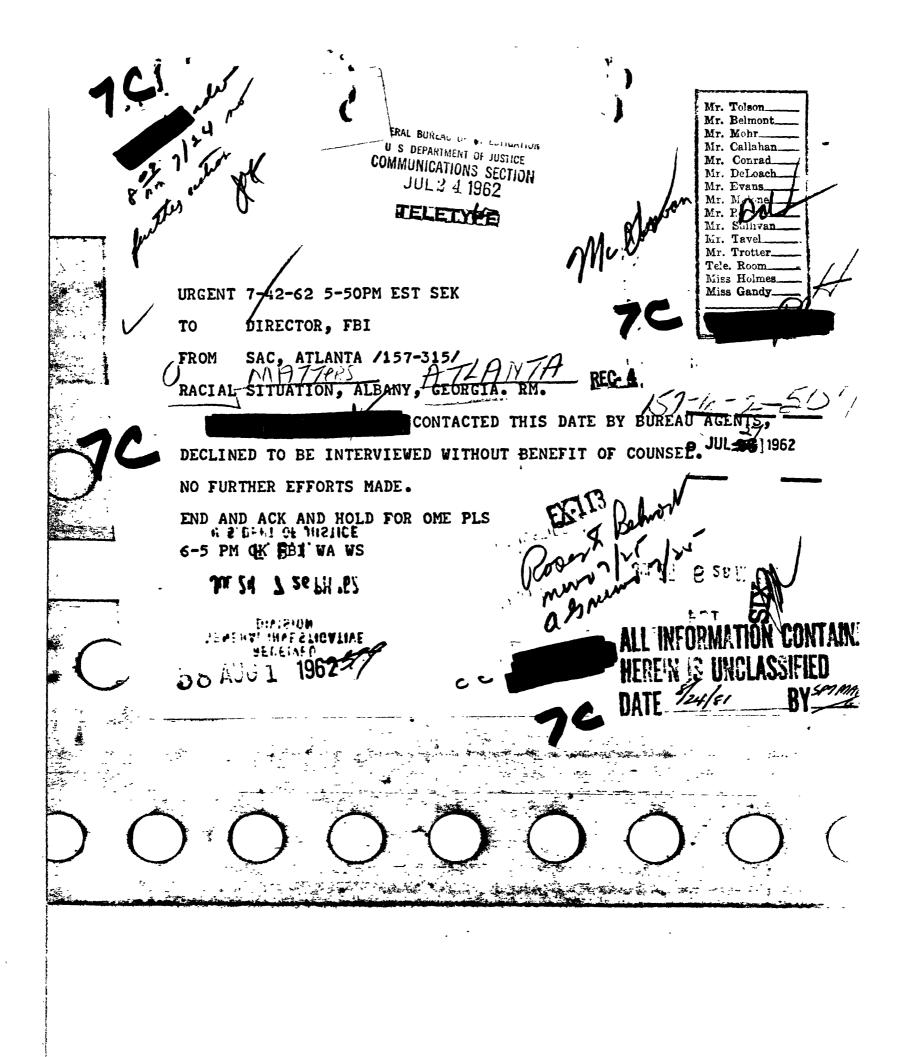
Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr., Slater King, C. B. King (brother of Slater King) and Dr. W. G. Anderson ride by in Anderson's station wagon.

advised tension is running high as result of decision of Judge Tuttle staying restraining order.

As result fearing intervention of white citizens twelve blocks of city have been blocked off.

Special Agents on scene observed many spectators including many unknown press, radio and television reporters hindering police by insisting on being present and asking questions.

SAC James E. McMahon and 14 Agents are in Albany due to explosive situation to handle matters coming within our primary jurisdiction. Six additional Agents are on stand-by in nearby RA. We will not institute investigations unless directed by the Department except in matters of police brutality.



Tolson UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT morandum DATE: July 24, 1962 Mr. Belmon Tele. Roc HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED FROM RACIAL SITUATION DATE 924/81 SUBJECT: ALBANY, GEORGIA SHORFOOTIL URACIAL MATTERS -With regard to the investigation being conducted to determine if there has been a violation of the restraining order issued by Federal Judge Elliott on 7/20/62, Department desires that Reverend Samuel Wells, Pastor, Mt. Shiloh Baptist Church, Albany, Georgia, be interviewed following his release from jail. Department also requests that a copy of film which appeared on National Broadcasting Company (NBC) television news Sunday, 7/22/62, at 11:00 p.m., be obtained. (REQUEST WILL BE CONFIRMED IN WRITING) On Saturday 7/21/62, Martin Luther King, Jr., addressed a meeting at Reverend Wells' church. About 110 Negroes left the church and walked up the street. This was the group which refused to disband at the request of police and they were arrested. The leader of the group was the Reverend Samuel Wells. John Murphy, Chief, Litigation Section, Civil Rights Division, has requested that the Bureau interview Reverend Wells regarding his knowledge of the restraining order and to determine if he was acting in concert with any of the individuals or groups named in the order. Murphy does not desire that Wells be interviewed while Wells is confined in jail in Albany. Murphy further advised that on Sunday evening there was a short film strip on the 11 oclock news on the NBC television channel. In this strip Wells was exhorting the crowd at the church to go into the streets in Albany and demonstrate. Murphy desires the Bureau to obtain, if possible, a copy of the REC. 16 5 JUL 27 1962 film or a transcript of the remarks made by Wells. ACTION Atlanta is being instructed to make arrangements to be notified of the release from jail of Reverend Wells so that he may be interviewed immediately thereafter. 6-1 Jul 24 4 11 PH 162 1 - Mr. Mohr 1 - Mr. DeLoach 1 - Mr. Evans CLM:ers (9) 58 1361

Mr. DeLoach's office, through its contacts with the local outlet of NBC, should endeavor to obtain the film used on NBC television channel for the 11 oclock news on Sunday, 7/22/62. If the film is not available, arrangements should be made to obtain a transcript of the remarks made by Reverend Wells.

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7-27-62 12-35AM EST JDW TO DIRECTOR FBI /157-6-2/

FROM SAC ATLANTA /157-315/ SITUATION, ALBANY, GA. RM.

BUAGENTS OBSERVED ABOUT SIX HUNDRED NEGROES IN ALBANY MOVEMENT MEETING AT MOUNT ZION BAPTIST CHURCH BEGINNING ABOUT SIX THIRTY PM EST TONIGHT.

ADVISED THAT DR. W. G. ANDERSON ADDRESSED MEETING AND TOLD THOSE IN ATTENDANCE IF THEY WERE ARRESTED FOR DEMONSTRATING THEY WOULD NOT BE HARMED BUT WOULD BE UNCOMFORTABLE IN JAIL.

WHO ATTENDED

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INVESTIGATION BY BUAGENTS FAILED TO REFLECT ANY GROUPS OF NEGRO MINISTERS HAD LEFT ROME.

CHIEF OF POLICE LAURIE PRITCHETT, ALBANY, STATE AUTHORITIES, IN ALBANY, AND OFFICE OF GOVERNOR OF GEORGIA ADVISED OF ABOVE INFORMATION.

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MEETING OF ALBANY MOVEMENT NIGHT OF JULY TWENTYFIVE LAST AT MT. ZION CHURCH PRINTED PAPERS WERE DISTRIBUTED FOR PARTICIPANTS TO SIGN WHEREIN THEY PROMISED TO PARTICIPATE IN DEMONSTRATIONS AND GO TO JAIL WITH LEADERS OF ALBANY MOVEMENT. ABOUT THREE HUNDRED OF THE APPROXIMATE SIX HUNDRED PRESENT SIGNED AND RETURNED THESE SLIPS.

MAYOR ASA D. KELLEY, JR., ADVISED TODAY THAT CONTRARY TO

NEWS REPORTS IN ATLANTA CONSTITUTION THE CITY DOES NOT AT THIS

TIME CONTEMPLATE FURTHER LEGAL ACTION AGAINST MEMBERS OR

PARTICIPANTS IN THE ALBANY MOVEMENT.

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INVESTIGATION BEING CONDUCTED IN ROME IN EFFORT TO OBTAIN ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONCERNING THIS MATTER.

CHIEF OF POLICE PRITCHETT AND STATE AUTHORITIES IN ALBANY ADVISED. ALSO OFFICE OF GOVERNOR VANDIVER ADVISED.

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GEORGIA, UNITED KLANS OF AMERICA, INC., KKKK, IN WHICH CRAIG

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HEREN IS UNGLASSIFIED Director, FBI RACIAL SITUATION Segregation-Altanta. ALBANY, GEORGIA RACIAL MATTERS -On July 27, 1962, between 12:30 p.m. and 1:00 p.m., Eastern Standard Time, approximately 150 Negroes gathered at the Mt. Zion Church in Albany, Georgia. At 2:18 p.m., Eastern Standard Time, Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr., Reverend Ralph Abernathy, Dr. W. G. Anderson, Mr. Slater King, and Reverend Benjamin Gay who is Pastor of Bethel AME Church, accompanied by five female Negroes, arrived in front of City Hall, Albany, and lined up in single file on the sidewalk directly in front of City Hall, parallel with the street. Chief of Police, Leurie Pritchett, Albany, started to talk to Reverend King but he indicated Dr. Anderson would be the speaker for the group. Chief Pritchett asked Dr. Anderson their purpose in assembling. Dr. Anderson expressed a desire to see the City Commission and stated they would remain until they met with the Commission. Chief Pritchett invited them into his office but they declined. Reverend King then asked Reverend Abernathy to lead them in prayer which he did. Upon completion of the prayer, Chief Pritchett asked them if they were through praying and neither Reverend Abernathy nor Dr. Anderson replied. Chief Pritchett ordered them to disperse or he would arrest them. Dr. Anderson and Reverend King stated they would remain. All ten were placed under arrest, charged with disorderly conduct, failure to obey the order of a police officer, and congregating on the sidewalk. Bond was set at \$2 00 each. REC 525 7-6-2 5 3/ During the above incident, Mr. Wyalt we Walker, in assistant Tolson to Reverend King, distributed a typed press release to newsmen viewing Mohr Callahar the proceedings which press release complained that file City Commission Conrad of Albany has failed to meet with Negroes on midital problems! DeLoach Evans **Maione** See memo Resen to Belmont, 7/28/62, same caption 1 - Mr. Mohr 1 - Mr. DeLoach Trotter - Mr. Evans 67 JUL 30 1962

The Attorney General

July 28, 1962

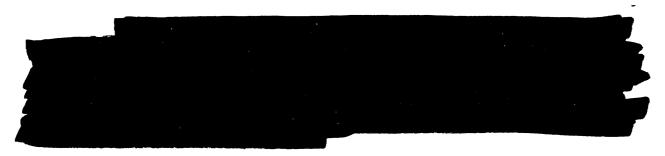
Governor S. Ernest Vandiver of Georgia advised on July 27, 1962, that he would notify the Atlanta Office of this Bureau prior to and if he intended to send National Guard troops to Albany.

In the afternoon of July 37, 1963, another group of 21 persons, consisting of 17 Negro males, 3 Negro females, and 1 white male, knelt in front of City Hall. One Negro male read from a prepared sheet charges against the city of Albany. Chief Pritchett told the group to move on because they had had ample time to pray and they should go about their business. The group stayed on and Chief Pritchett informed them they were under arrest. A later check of police records indicated that only 18 persons were arrested, 17 Negroes and 1 white male.

The 18 were charged with disorderly conduct, failure to obey a police officer and obstructing the sidewalk. Seven of those arrested had to be carried on stretchers because they failed to get up off the sidewalk when ordered to do so.

A group of approximately 700 to 800 persons gathered at the Mt. Zion Church on the evening of July 27, 1962, but dispersed by 9:00 p.m., Eastern Standard Time, when Mr. Wyait Tee Walker told them there would be no more night demonstrations.

the jail from Lawrence Spivak, producer of the television show, "Meet the Press." Reverend King was to have been a guest on the program on July 29, 1962. Reverend King did not know if he could make this commitment.



Mr. John L. Murphy of the Civil Rights Division of the Department was furnished the above information on July 28, 1962. Additional developments will be furnished to the Department as they occur.

- 1 The Deputy Attorney General
- 1 Mr. Burke Marshall Assistant Attorney General

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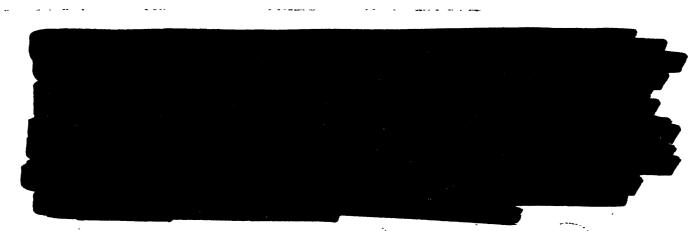
It has been reported to this Bureau that Assistant Attorney General Marshall contacted the Mayor and advised him that Reverend King had contacted Mr. Marshall and told Mr. Marshall that he would leave Albany only if Reverend King could announce publicly that his leaving the city was a condition on which the City Commission would negotiate with Negro leaders and if out of each group of those arrested only one person would be tried and that case would determine the outcome of other cases.

According to information received, the Mayor was reasonably certain only one case of each group would be tried but he will not agree to Reverend King announcing that his leaving the city is a condition on which the Commission would negotiate. The Mayor is reported as stating that this was not part of the prior conversation he had had with Reverend King.

A reporter for the "Atlanta Journal" advised on July 26, 1962, that during a meeting of the Albany Movement on July 25, 1962, 800 of approximately 600 persons present signed slips of paper promising to participate in demonstrations and to go to jail if necessary.

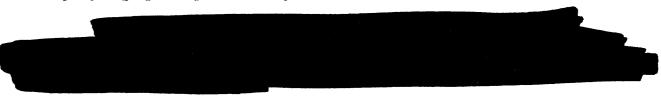
Mayor Kelley publicly announced on July 26, 1962, that contrary to news reports, the city of Albany does not contemplate further legal action against the Albany Movement.





A meeting took place at the Mt. Zion Baptist Church en July 26, 1962, and approximately 600 attended. Practice sessions were held where participants were called "nigger" and "coon" to instruct them on how to take verbal abuse.

During the meeting Dr. W. G. Anderson, President of the Albany Movement, stated that it might be necessary to call for a nation-wide prayer pilgrimage to Albany.



There were no additional demonstrations in Albany, Georgia, on July 26, 1968.

Additional developments will be promptly furnished to the Department.

- 1 The Deputy Attorney General
- 1 Mr. Burke Marshall
 Assistant Attorney General

The Attorney General ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED 24, 1962 HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED Director, FBI RACIAL SITUATION ALBANY, GEORGIA affonta RACIAL MATTERS. Our Atlanta Office advised on July 23, 1962, that United States & Course of Georgia, had requested Attorne Flori Bulord, Middle District of Georgia, had requested investigation concerning the possible violation of a restraining order issued July 27, 1962, by Judge J. Robert Elliott. The order enjoined officers-of specified groups and persons acting in concert with them from spensoring, financing, and encouraging unlawful picketing, congregating and marching in Albany, Georgia. Miss Buford advised that he had talked to Mr. Burke Marshall who desired investigation be conducted by this Bureau. desired that all persons who were arrested on Saturday, July 21, 1962, be interviewed unless they were young juveniles. The interviews were to ascertain if the individuals had any knowledge of the court order or had been personally served a copy of the order and to ascertain whether or not the Individuals were members of or affiliated with any of the erganizations specifically named. Mr. Buford did not desire any of the leaders of the Negro movement interviewed at this time. Mr. John Murphy of the Civil Rights Division was consulted and he advised that the Department desires interviews conducted with the individuals named in the restraining order plus an officer of any organization, a representative of which is not named as an individual defendant. **5 JUL 30**,1962 The interviews are lightermine if the individuals had knowledge of the existence of the order and whether any of the persons who participated in the demonstration on July 21, 1962, were acting in concert with them or under their instructions. Specifically, it is to be determined if Reverend Samuel Wells, Mt. Shiloh Partist Church, Albany, Georgia, who led the demonstration on Saturday night, is a member of any of the programment of many of the programment of whether he was acting the concert with any of the Belmont Callahan mamed defendants. See me mos Rosen to Belimonia Barine caption, 8 Malone 1 - Mr. Mohr 1 - Mr. DeLoach Trotter 1 - Mr. Evans

The above investigation is being conducted and the Department will be premptly furnished the results.

The following additional developments in connection with the racial situation at Albany, Georgia, have been furnished by our Atlanta Office. A Negro Attorney, Donald Hollowell, has filed a petition with the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals to vacate the restraining order issued July 20, 1962, by Judge Elliott. A hearing on this petition is set for today, July 24, 1962.

In view of the above hearing on this petition, Mr. Murphy of the Civil Rights Division was contacted to ascertain if the Bureau should conduct the interviews of the persons named in the restraining order.

Mr. Murphy instructed us to go forward with the interviews.

A mass meeting of the Albany Movement was held on July 13. 1962, at the Mt. Shilob Baptist Church with approximately 860 persons in attendance. Reverend Ralph Abernathy and Mr. Slater King were the principal speakers. Reverend Abernathy described an alleged beating of Marion King, the wife of Slater King, by two unknown police officers at the Mitchell County Jall, Camilla, Georgia, where she had gone to visit persons arrested on July 21, 1962. Mr. Slater King in his speech attacked the municipal, state and Federal governments. He is quoted as stating -"damnable Federal Government has turned their backs on us." He mentioned that he was tired of waiting for his rights and he was ready to fight. Mr. King also announced a celebration meeting tenight, July 24, 1962. in anticipation of favorable action by Judge Albert P. Tuttle of the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals in vacating the restraining order. Following the meeting at the Mt. Shiloh Baptist Church on July 23, 1962, a group of Negroes led by before City Hall. They left when requested to by police but returned again inter in the evening and refused to move when ordered to do so by police. They were arrested for fallure to obey a police officer and obstructing the



Chief of Police Laurie Pritchett, Albany Police Department, has advised that Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr., and three other leaders of the Negro movement conferred with him on July 23, 1962, and offered to leave Albany if Pritchett and the city commissioners would agree to hear grievances of the Albany Movement, a Negro group seeking desegregation. Chief Pritchett declined this offer in view of the pending court action.

During the meeting with Chief Pritchett, Martin Luther King, Jr., asked Dr. Anderson of the Albany Movement, who had accompanied Reverend King, "Do you think Bobby Kennedy would prosecute me when he calls me at various places throughout the country for advice?"

Another matter which has grown out of the racial situation in Albany is the alleged beating of Mrs. Slater King. On July 23, 1968, the Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr., complained to our Atlanta Office that Mrs. Slater King visited prisoners at the Mitchell County Jail, Camilla, Georgia, and was beaten, knocked to the ground, and kicked by two police efficers.

Chief Pritchett had heard of this incident and immediately efformated to interview diggs. King but man not illowed to do so. According to Chief Pritchett, newsmen had already interviewed and photographed Mrs. King.

The above information was furnished to Mr. Murphy of the Civil Rights Division and he requested an interview of Mrs. King, any subjects identified by her, and any readily available witnesses. The extent of injuries is: to be ascertained and any visible injuries photographed.

went to the residence of Mrs. Slater King to interview her. The was under sedation and the Agents talked to Mr. Slater King. Mr. King abused one of the interviewing Agents, pointing out that the Agent had interviewed.

Against the bars. Mr. King stated, "The dama Federal Government didn't do anything for me then and won't now. The Federal Government is no dama good. What are you wasting our time for?" He thereafter permitted Agents to interview his wife and was present during the interview.

Mrs. King furnished a signed statement in which she alleged she was pushed, kicked and shoved to the ground by two unidentified police efficies outside Mitchall County Jail. Mrs. King is five and the half smooths pregnant. According to her physician, Dr. Jacob L. Shurley, who appeared before the interview was ever, the unborn shild does not appear to have been affected. He also furnished information concerning the bruises Mrs. King had received.

Other witnesses will be interviewed today and attempts are being made to identify and interview the subjects.

The Department will be farnished additional developments in the above matters as they occur,

- 1 The Deputy Attorney General
- 1 Mr. Burke Marshall
 Assistant Attorney General

UNITED STATES GO lemorandum Mr. Belmont Sullive July 25, 1962 DATE: Tavel Tele, Room Holmes A. Rosen FROM RACIAL SITUATION SUBJECT: ALBANY, GEORGIA RACIAL MATTERS -SAC McMahon advised at noon that everything was quiet in Albany, There have been no additional demonstrations there and no further activities at Camilla, Georgia, where some of the individuals are incarcerated. There was a story around Atlanta that Martin Luther King, Jr., and Dr. Anderson had filed two suits in Federal Court in Albany, Georgia, yesterday. One suit is to enjoin the city of Albany from interfering with demonstrations and the other demanded immediate desegregation of all public facilities. The Deputy Clerk of the U.S. District Court has advised that two petitions were presented at the close of business on 7/24/62. He examined the matters today and ascertained that insufficient copies had been filed with the clerk's office and that no action would be taken until the attorneys presented the court with sufficient copies of the petitions. One petition filed in behalf of Martin Luther King, Jr., Dr. W. G. Anderson, Slater King (cousin of Martin Luther King who is self-employed as a real estate broker and in the general insurance business) and others, seeks an injunction to restrain the city of Albany from interfering with parades, demonstrations and sit-ins. The second petition filed is in behalf of Dr. W. G. Anderson (President of the Albany Movement) requesting immediate desegregation; of parks, libraries, theaters, cabs, auditorium and other public facilities in the city of Albany. ACTION: The Department has been advised of the above information. 151-6 0 The Atlanta Office is obtaining copies of the opinion of Circuit Court Judge Tuttle staying the restraining order. Atlanta is closely following the REC. 61 4 JUL 27 1902 situation and will keep the Bureau informed. 1 - Mr. Mohr 1 - Mr. DeLoach 1 - Mr. Evans

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UNITED STATES GOVERA .ENT Callahan MemorandumMalane Sullivan Mr. Rosen DATE: July 26, 1962 Trotter SUBJECT: / RACIAL SITUATION ALBANY, GEORGIA ORACIAL MATTERS - ATLANTA At 9:40 p.m., 7/26/62, SAC McMahon, Atlanta Office, and who was calling from the Albany Resident Agency, advised of the following information which he stated was a possible clarification of the information previously received in 7/26/62 in which Burke Marshall, Department, requested that the Attorney General be contacted at the airport and advised 'I have been in touch with Dr. King and he thought it would work. He was going to talk to the mayor and will call me back." ST-115% 157-6-3=517

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Memorandum to Mr. Rosen RE: RACIAL SITUATION ALBANY, GEORGIA

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SAC McMahon stated that this information was given on a very confidential basis and should be handled accordingly. SAC McMahon further advised that there was a meeting held at the Mount Zion Church this evening, which meeting broke up at approximately 8:30 p.m. King did not show up at this meeting and everyone went home.

ACTION:

Above information telephonically transmitted to Section Chief McGowan and Supervisor SAC McMahon was instructed to incorporate this in a teletype to be submitted immediately so as to arrive at the Bureau this evening or early morning of 7/27/62.

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Director, FBI

RACIAL SITUATION ALBANY, GEORGIA BACIAL MATTERS - Seo Re097104

The following additional developments have occurred at Albany, Georgia, in connection with the racial picture im that city.

On July 28, 1962, a meeting of the Albany Movement, a Negro group seeking desegregation of public facilities, was held without incident.

Robert Shelton of Tuscaloosa, Alabama, Imperial Visard, United Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Flan, was observed in Albany on July 28, 1952.

pr. W. S. Anderson, President of the Albany Movement, who was arrested on July 27, 1982, by the Albany Police Department, was released from Jail on July 28, 1982. He announced he would appear on "Most the Press," a television program, on July 29, 1963.

Dr. Anderson 41d Appear on "Moot the Press" and in answer to questions of reporters stated that the Negroes of Albany desired to negotiate with the City Commission of Albany on various points concerning desegregation policies of that city. en that city.

Dr. Anderson described Albany, Georgia, as the most totally segregated city in the United States and Stated the situation was explosive. He criticized the present Administration for not taking stronger action with regard to Albany.

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Dr. Anderson stated the Executive Committee of the Albany Novement would have to make a decision as to whether or not to obey a Federal Court injunction against future demonstrations in Albany.

A hearing is scheduled for today, July 30, 1962, in United States District Court on the petition of the City of Albany for a Federal injunction against Negro demonstrations in Albany.

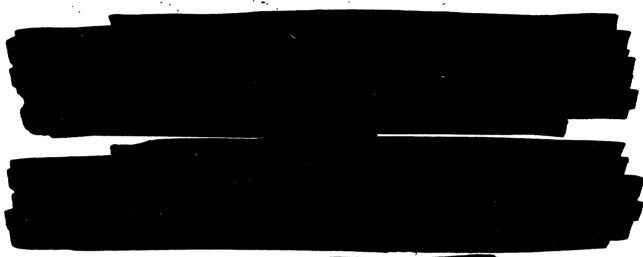
Thirty-eight persons were arrested in Albany, Georgia, on July 28, 1962, due to demonstrations before City Hall.

One white citizen, described as a "hothead," was Arrested when he charged a group of demonstrators as they knelt in prayer before City Hall.

advised our Atlanta Office on the evening of July 28, 1962, that he had talked to Assistant Attorney General Burke Marshall concerning information had obtained from an undisclosed source that citimens of Mewton, Georgia, had thrown rocks through the windows of a jail at Newton, Georgia, apparently to hit some of the Negro prisoners incarcerated there as a result of demonstrations in Albany.

According to Mr. Marshall told to Surnish this information to the FBI and to tell the FBI to give the results of their inquiry to Department Attorney Jarome Meilbron in Albany, Georgia.

This information was discussed with Mr. Heilbron who instructed that no action needed to be taken in view of the irregular manner the information was furnished to the FBI.



On July 29, 1962, the Conferred with Reverend Martin Lather King in the Albany City Jail where Reverend King is incarcerated.

They discussed plans for a prayer demonstration on July 29, 1962, before City Hall. Further mass marches are not planned since they feel they cannot control Regroes not connected with the Albany Movement.

allegedly teld Reverend King that there is considerable feeling among the Negroes of Albany due to the beating of Mr. C. B. King. mentioned that efforts are being made to have peaceful conditions prevail.

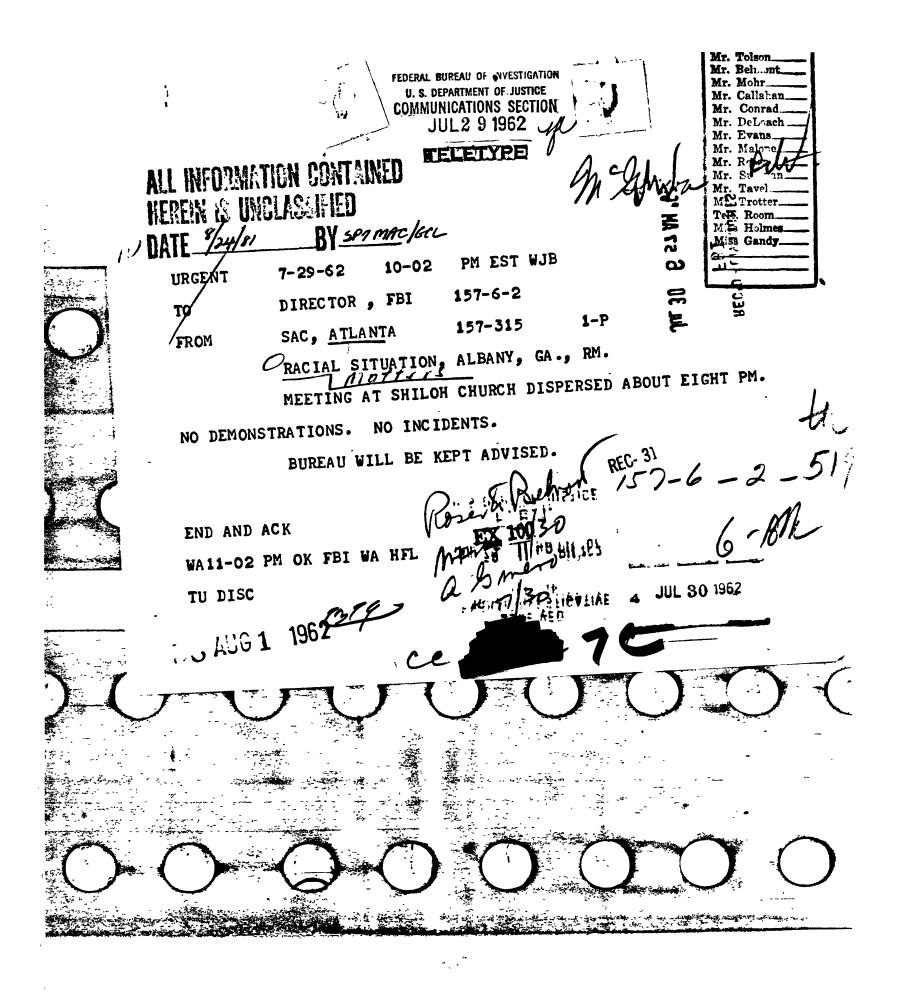
A meeting was held on July 29, 1962, in the Shileh Church in Albany with two hundred Negroes in attendance. So significant developments occurred.

The next meeting of the Albany Novement is scheduled for the evening of July 30, 1963.

Additional developments in this matter will be promptly furnished to the Department.

- 1 The Deputy Attorney General
- 1 Mr. Burke Marshall
 Assistant Attorney General

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Plaintiffs.

THE CITY OF ALBANY, GEORGIA, a body corporate; ASA D. WELLY, Mayor of the City of Albany, Georgia; BUFCRD COLLINS, Mayor pro tem. of the City of Albany, Georgia; ALLEN DAYLS, W. C. HOLMAN, JR., L. W. MOIT, and C. B. PRITCHETT.

R., constituting the Board of Commissioners of the City of Albany, Georgia; MISS MARY C. TODD, J. M. MEADORS, MRS. I. G. STAPPEY, MRS. W. B. WIGHT, J. M. ROBINSON and J. M. MANTAVIS, constituting the Board of Trustees of the Carnegie Library of the City of Albany, Georgia; MIRGINIA D. RILEY, Librarian of the Carnegie Library, LAURIS PRITCHETT, Chief of Police of the City of Albany, Georgia,

Defendants.

COMPLAINT

1. The jurisdiction of this court is invoked pursuant to the provisions of Title 28, United States Code, Section 1343(3). This action is authorized by law, Title 42, United States Code, Sections 1981 and 1983, to be brought to redress the deprivation under color of state law, statute, ordinance, regulation, custom or usage or rights, privileges and immunities secured by the Constitution and

laws of the United States. The rights, privileges and immunities

cought to be secured by this action are rights, privileges and
immunities secured by the due process and equal protection clauses
of the Fourteenth Amendment to the Constitution of the United States
and by Title 42, United States Code, Section 1981 and 1983, as
hereinafter more fully appears.

- 2. This is a proceeding for a preliminary and permanent injunction enjoining the defendants, and each of them, their agents, servants, employees, successors, attorneys, and all persons in active concert and participation with them from:
- a. continuing to pursue and enforce a policy, custom, practice and usage of racial segregation in public libraries in the City of Albany. Georgia, which are under the jurisdiction, management and control of the defendant Board of City Commissioners and the defendant Board of Trustees of the Carnegie Library;
- b. continuing to enforce racial segregation policies in the municipally owned and operated auditorium of the City of Albany which is under the jurisdiction, management, and control of the defendant Board of City Commissioners and its agents;
- c. continuing to enforce ordinances of the City of Albany, Georgia, requiring racial segregation in privately owned taxicabs and other transportation facilities in the City of Albany, Georgia (Code of City of Albany, 1947, Ch.22 §3, Ch.26 §12);
- d. continuing to enforce ordinances of the City of Albany, Georgia, requiring racial segregation on buses operating in the City of Albany, Georgia (Code of City of Albany, 1947, Ch.22 \$\frac{5}{2}\$1 and 2);
- e. continuing to enforce ordinances of the City of Albany, Georgia, requiring racial segregation in theaters and other places of public amusement (Code of City of Albany, 1947, Ch.22 §4);
- f. continuing to enforce racial segregation in publicly owned parks, playgrounds, swimming pools, tennis courts and all other municipally owned recreational facilities;
- g. threatening to arrest, arresting and harassing the plaintiffs, and members of their class, for utilizing or attempting

to utilize public parks, libraries, buses, bus depots, train stations, taxicabs, theatres, and other places of public amusement presently limited to white persons by defendants' segregation policies and ordinances.

- 3. This is a class action brought by the plaintiffs on behalf of themselves and all other Negro citizen's of the City of Albany. Georgia, similarly situated pursuant to the provisions of Rule 23(a) (3) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure. The plaintiffs and the class on behalf of which they sue are Negro citizens of the United States and of the State of Georgia residing in the City of Albany, Georgia, who are similarly affected by the racial segregation policies, practices, rules, regulations, ordinances and statutes complained of herein. The members of the class on behalf of which the plaintiffs sue number in the thousands and are consequently too numerous to be brought individually before this court, but there are common questions of law and fact involved, common grievances arising out of common wrongs, and a common relief is sought for each plaintiff and each member of the class. The plaintiffs fairly and adequately represent the members of the class on behalf of which they sue.
- 4. The plaintiffs in this case are W. G. Anderson, Elijah Harris, Slater King and Emanuel Jackson. Each plaintiff is an adult Negro citizen of the United States and the State of Georgia, presently residing in the City of Albany, Georgia. Plaintiff Anderson, acting on behalf of Negro citizens of the City of Albany, has petitioned the defendant Board of City Commissioners and the defendant Chief of Police to end racial segregation in the public facilities under its jurisdiction, management, and control but these defendants have steadfastly failed and refused to do so. Plaintiff Anderson has similarly requested the defendant Board of City Commissioners and the defendant chief of police to cease enforcement of city ordinances requiring racial segregation in privately owned buses, taxis, theatres and other places of public amusement but these defendants have failed and refused to do so.

- 5. The defendants in this case are all officials or agents of the City of Albany. Georgia. The City of Albany. Georgia, is a body corporate. The defendants: Asa D. Kelly, Mayor of the City of Albany, Georgia; Buford Collins, Mayor pro tem. of the City of Albany; Allen F. Davis, W. C. Holman, Jr., L. W. Mott, and C. B. Pritchett, Jr., are all members of and constitute the Board of City Commissioners of the City of Albany, Georgia and exercise all corporate powers and authority of said City. The following defendants are members of and constitute the Board of Trustees of the Carnegie Library of the City of Albany: Miss Mary C. Todd, J. M. Meadors, Mrs. T. G. Slappey, Mr. J. M. Barnett, Mrs. W. B. Wight, J. M. Robinson and J. V. Davis. These defendants are elected by the defendant Board of City Commissioners. Defendant Miss Virginia P. Riley, is the librarian of the Carnegie Library of the City of Albany, Georgia, which is under the jurisdiction, management and control of the said Board of Trustees. Defendant Laurie Pritchell, is the Chief of Police of the City of Albany, Georgia.
- 6. All of the public recreational, library, and auditorium facilities sought to be desegregated in this action are owned by the City of Albany, Georgia, and are operated by the City of Albany, Georgia, through its Board of City Commissioners or by a board or agency elected or appointed by the Board of City Commissioners.

 Segregation is enforced in these facilities by police officers preventing Negro citizens from using the facilities referred to herein on a non-segregated basis by denying them admission or securing their arrest.
- 7. The transportation facilities sought to be desegregated in this action are privately owned, but segregation with respect to these facilities is required by ordinances of the City of Albany, Georgia. These ordinances of the City of Albany are enforced by the Chief of Police of the City of Albany, and all other police officers under his jurisdiction, management and control. Buford Collins is the Chairman of the Police Committee of the Board of Commissioners of the City of Albany.

8. The represticable facilities cought to be desegraphed in this case, i.e., Tift Park (white), Carver Park (Negro), Tallulah Massey Park (white), and several playground facilities are under the immediate supervision of a Recreation Committee appointed by the Board of City Commissioners composed of members of the Board of City Commissioners.

COUNT I

9. Acting under color of the laws of the State of Georgia, the ordinances of the City of Albany, Georgia, and the racial segregation policies, customs, usages and regulations of the State of Georgia and the City of Albany, Georgia, the defendant members of the Board of Commissioners of the City of Albany have long pursued, and are presently pursuing, a policy, custom and usage of segregating the races in recreational facilities under the jurisdiction, management and control of the City of Albany, Georgia, and its Commissioners or agents. These recreational facilities, namely, Tift Park, Carver Park, Tallulah Massey Park, and several smaller playground areas in the City of Albany, Georgia, are owned and operated by the City of Albany, Georgia, by and through its Board of City Commissioners and the Recreation Committee appointed by the Board of City Commissioners. Tift Park is a large park containing a Teen-Center, tennis courts, a swimming pool, a carousel and other recreational facilities. The use of this park, except for the zoo and some of the benches located in the park, is limited to white persons. Carver Park is a park which has been limited by defendants to use by Negro or colored citizens of the City of Albany. Tallulah Massey Park is another park limited to use by white persons. Several playgrounds in the City of Albany are also limited to use by white persons. Plaintiff Anderson, acting on behalf of an organization of Negro citizens known as the Albany Movement, has petitioned the defendant Board of City Commissioners to desegregate the recreational

facilities referred to herein, both orally and in writing, on several occasions since November. 1961, but these defendants have failed and refused to do so. Negro citizens of Albany who on July 18, 1962 attempted to use the facilities of Tift Park limited to white persons were ordered to leave the park by Detective Captain Edward Friend of the City of Albany police.

COUNT II

10. Acting under color of the laws of the State of Georgia, the ordinances of the City of Albany, Georgia, and the segregation policies, customs and usages of the State of Georgia and the City of Albany, Georgia, the defendant Board of City Commissioners and the defendant Board of Trustees of the Carnegie Library, elected by the Board of City Commissioners, has refused to permit Negro citizens of the City of Albany, Georgia, to use the facilities and services of the Carnegie Library. These defendants have established a segregated branch library known as the Lee Street Branch for use by Negroes. On July 17, 1962 Negro citizens of Albany attempted to use the Carnegie Library on the same terms and conditions applicable to white citizens but were denied the use of the same by the defendant librarian, Miss Virginia P. Riley, and the Board of Trustees which was then meeting at the said Carnegie Library. Plaintiff Anderson has also unsuccessfully petitioned the defendant Board of City Commissioners to permit Negro citizens of Albany to use the Carnegie Library on the same terms and conditions applicable to white citizens.

COUNT III

11. Acting under color of an ordinance of the City of Albany (Code of City of Albany, Chapter 22, Sections 1, 2 and 3) the defendant Board of City Commissioners and the defendant Chief of Police of

the City of Albany, have enforced, and are presently enforcing, racial segregation in public transportation facilities in the City of Albany. More specifically, these defendants have required the Cities Transit, Incorporated, a public service corporation, to segregate passengers on its buses operating in the City of Albany, and have refused to permit said Cities Transit, Incorporated, to desegregate buses owned and operated by it in the City of Albany pursuant to a franchise granted it by the City of Albany. These defendants have also required taxicabs operating in the City of Albany to display signs indicating whether the particular cab is available to Negro or white passengers pursuant to Chapter 22, Section 3 of the Albany City Code, supra, and Chapter 26, Section 12, Albany City Code, supra. These defendants have also enforced racial segregation in the Trailway bus depot located in the City of Albany by arresting and harassing Negro citizens who seek to use the facilities of said depot on the same terms and conditions applicable to white persons. Plaintiff W. G. Anderson has petitioned the defendant Board of City Commissioners to permit the Cities Transit, Incorporated, to operate its buses on a non-segregated basis, but these defendants have failed and refused to do so as a result of which the Cities Transit, Inc., has abandoned most of its transportation service in the City of Albany since the plaintiffs and members of their class have refused to ride the Cities Transit buses on a segregated basis and have refused to ride them on an integrated basis out of fear of arrest and harassment by the police officers and prosecuting authorities of the City of Albany.

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COUNT IV

12. Acting under color of an ordinance of the City of Albany (Code of the City of Albany, Chapter 22, Section 4) the defendant Board of City Commissioners and the defendant chief of police have enforced, and are presently enforcing, a policy, custom and usage of requiring racial segregation in theatres and other places of public amusement in the City of Albany.

COUNT V

- 13. Acting under color of the segregation policy, sustom and usage of the State of Georgia and the City of Albany, the Defendant Board of Commissioners and those employees, under their supervision, in charge of the city auditorium, are pursuing a policy, custom and usage of requiring racial segregation in the municipally owned and operated auditorium. Plaintiff Anderson has petitioned the Defendant Board of City Commissioners to abandon this policy of racial segregation and to cease requiring racial segregation in the city auditorium, but these defendants have refused to comply with said request.
- 14. Plaintiffs and the members of the class which they represent are irreparably injured by all the polices and ordinances of defendants complained of herein, and shall continue to be irreparably injured by these policies and ordinances until enjoined by this court. There is no other adequate remedy to grant the relief sought in this action other than this action for a preliminary and permanent injunction. Any other action to which plaintiffs and those similarly situated could be remitted would be attended by such uncertainities and delays and such multiplicity of suits as to deny substantial relief, cause further irreparable injury, and occasion damage, vexation and inconvenience not only to plaintiffs and those similarly situated but to defendants as public officials.

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- Plaintiffs pray that this court will grant an early bearing on their motion for preliminary injunction filed with this complaint and an early hearing on their prayer for permanent is metion;
- plaintiffs pray that this court will grant them their pasts herein, and will grant them such other, further, additions

or alternative relief as may appear to a court of equity to be equitable and just in the premises. C. B. KING 221 South Jackson Street Albany, Georgia DONALD L. HOLLOWELL Cannolene Building (Ansex) 85% Hunter Street, N. W. Atlanta, Georgia LEROY CLARK CONSTANCE BAKER MOTLEY 10 Columbus Circle New York, New York Attorneys for Plaintiff

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FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT CF CEORGIA

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W. G. ANTERSON, ELIJAH HARRIS, SLATER KING and BHANGE JACKSON, on behelf of themselves. and others similarly situated,

Plaintiffs.

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MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION

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- 2. The plaintiffs in this case are W. G. Anderson, Elijsh Herris, Slater King, and Emanuel Jackson. Each plaintiff is an adult Negro citizen of the United States and the State of Georgia, presently residing in the city of Albany. Plaintiff Anderson, acting on behalf of Negro citizens of the city of Albany petitioned the Defendent Board of City Commissioners in November, 1961, to and racial segregation in the facilities owned and operated by the city. The petition was unsuccessful and the policy of racial segregation was continued to wit:
 - presented themselves at the publicly owned facilities and made proper and orderly requests to use the facilities on the same basis as white citizens. They were at all times refused access to the facilities by those in charge of admission or by police officers who were on duty at the time, solely because they were Negroes. Further, members of plaintiff's class have been subjected to excests for their attempts to use the publicly owned facilities on a racially integrated basis.
- 3. The plaintiffs, as citizens, residents and taxpayers of the city of Albany, who regularly contribute towards the support and maintenance of publicly owned facilities operated in whole or is early by expenditure of public funds, are entitled under the constitution and laws of the United States, to use all such facilities on the semanters as all other citizens.
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- segregated basis or the prohibition by ordinance or statute of racial integration in privately owned establishments is a violation of the constitutional rights of the plaintiffs and all other members of the class, resulting in irreperable injury, loss and damage as appears in the complaint. Unless restrained by this court, defendants will continue to permit and actively aid the unlawful enforcement of racial segregation and the exclusion of plaintiffs and other members of their class solely because of their race from the above named facilities. The issuence of a preliminary injunction herein will not cause undue inconvenience or loss to defendants but will prevent irreperable injury to the plaintiffs.

WHEREFORE, plaintiffs pray that this court:

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- d. Continuing to deny to Negro citizens the right to peacefully protest against racial segregation in privately owned and
 operated transportation facilities such as, buses, bus depot, and
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in The individual defendants in this case are all duly elected of appointed efficials of the City of Albany, Georgia. The City of Albany is a body corporate. ASA D. KELLY, JR., is the Mayor or the Citys M.Form COLLING is the Mayor pro tem, of the Citys M.I. ..

Sty of Albany, Georgia. The Mayor and Swar are test members of the acid Board avertices all of the corporate powers and authority of corporate defendant; LAURTE PATTCHETT is the Chief of Police of the City of Albany. STEPHEN MAYS is the City Manager of said City and is sufficient to issue permits for public addresses and temonstrations and parades in the City of Albany.

7. The plaintiffs, and members of their class, individually as officers and members of the Albany 'tovement and the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, Inc., Lave peacefully demonstrate ed and protested against and have attempted to peacefully demonstrate and protest against state enforced racial segregation in publicly owned and operated recreational and library and other public facilities in the City of Albany, Georgia, and have been prevented from doing so by the defendant Chief of Police and other police officers of the City of Albany. These police officer have ordered plaintiff and others to leave public parks and libraries limited to white persons by defendants and wave physical ly prevented Negro citizens of Albany from using certain facilities in public parks by blocking the entrances thereto. Negro citizens have been arrested and charged with trespass and failure to obey an officer while attempting to use the public library in the City of Albany limited to white persons. 8. Plaintiffs Anderson, harris, Slater King and Jackson have been arrested and charged with disorderly conduct and failure to pbey a police officer while peacefully picketing (two on either side of the street carrying appropriate signs) drug and depart tores in the City of Albany for discriminating against

citizens in the public facilities and services thereof

Plaintiff Anderson, in cooperation with plaintiff King, acting

on behalf of the Albany Movement requested of defendant Roos on a

about July 13, 1962, a permit for a peaceful, orderly demonstra-

tion in the City of Albany to protest against racial segregation

this being and dented thorough, or Ally Anderson prote a lotter to percadent abov as Pracident Albany Movement sutliming in dotail the proposed demonstration to be held on Saturday, July 21, 1962, at 4:00 P. M., solicited the cooperation of the Albert police. Attached hereto and made a part of this complaint, as if copied herein in full. is a copy of said letter marked Exhibit "A." Defendants Kelly. Ross and Pritchett on Friday July 20, 1962, at 11:00 P. M. . out notice to plaintiffs, or any members of their class, secured a sweeping federal temporary restraining order from the Honorable J. Robert Elliott, Judge of the United States District Court for the Middle District of Georgia, Albany Division, enjoining the proposed demonstration and other activities referred to herein in the following terms: ". . . restrained and enjoined from tinuing to sponsor, finance or encourage walewful picketing in the City of Albany, from engaging or participating in any unlawful congregating or marching in the streets, on the sidewalks, ex other public ways of the City of Albany, Georgia, from conspiring encouraging or participating in any boycott in restraint of trade, or from doing any other act designed to provoke breaches of the peace or from coing any act in violation of the provisions herein referred to. The order was set for hearing nine days later, July 30, 1962.

ll. The plaintiffs and members of their class have been threatened with future arrests fer engaging in the peaceful activities referred to herein by the defendants.

12. Plaintiffs and members of neir class have been irreparably injured by the actions of the defendants complained of herein and shall continue to be irreparably injured until the defendants are lined by this Court. There is no other adequate remedy the relief sought in this action other than this action are the relief sought in this action other than this action are limitary and permanent injunction and declaratory Jungandant by other action to which plaintiffs and those similarly illustrated would be remitted would be attended by such uncertainties and could be remitted would be attended by such uncertainties.

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Speedy hearing of their oction and upon such hearing will:

- nexeln to the subject matter of this suit in order that such action may have the force and effect of a final judgment:
- 2) enjoin the defendants and each of them from:
- a. Continuing to pursue a policy of denying to Hegro citizens the right to peacefully protest against state enforced racial segregation in the City of Albany, Georgia, by peacefully walking, two abreast, upon the public sidewalks of the City of Albany, observing all traffic signs and regulations, to the City Hall in the City of Albany, Georgia, and peacefully assembling in front of the City hall, and peacefully speaking out against such segregation during a period of not more than two hours during the day, when traffic to and from places of business and employment is not at its peak:
- b. Continuing to deny to Negro citizens a permit, or other percentage appropriate approval, to peacefully demonstrate against state and order racial segregation in the City of Albany by peacefully arading through the streets of Albany, Georgia, in accordance of the proper police regulations as to fraffic and time;
- c. Continuing to deny to Negro citizens the right to peacefully picket against state enforced racial segregation is publicly owned and operated, or publicly owned and leased, public rational, library and other owned public facilities in the ef Albany, Georgia, by peacefully wakling upon the similar than the premises of such facilities carrying appropriates would signs protesting against racial segregation in such public facilities;
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denial of posmits or other oppropriate approval. We seeking threats of orrest, by abuse or state sourt process, by seeking state court injunction, by horasement and intinidation.

3) Plaintiffe fusther pray that this court will grant them their costs herein and will grant them such different. Alternatives or further rollof as to a Court of equity would appear to be equitable and just.

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Corporato; ASA D. HELLY, Mayor of the part of Albany, Defendants

MOTICE OF NOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION

Please take notice that the foregoing motion for preliminary injunction will be brought on for a hearing before the Honorable J. Robert Elliett, United States District Judge, at the Federal Court House in Columbus, Georgia, on August 1, 1962 at 10:00 a.m., or at such other time and place as the Court may by order set the same for hearing.

This 25 day of July, 1962.

OF COURSEL FOR PLAINTING

TN THE 'HITTED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE 'HIDDLY DYSTPTOTY OF CHORGIA ALBANY DIVISION

W. S. A'DERSON, et. al.,

Plaintiffs,) CIVIL ACTION NO. 731

THE CXTY OF ALBANY, et. al.,

Defendants.

FILED AT 9:35

MOTION FOR PRELTITIONARY THUUNCTION

The plaintiffs move this Court upon the annexed complaint for a preliminary injunction as prayed in their complaint and for an order setting a date for mearing this motion at the earliest possible date.

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UNITED STATES GOVE

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Mr. Rose

DATE: 7/30/62

SUBJECT:

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ALBANY, _GEORGIA RACIAL MATTERS

The following is a resume of information furnished to Duty Supervisor, on 7/28/62 by SAC James McMahon, Atlanta, Georgia, who is currently in Albany, Georgia, in connection with captioned matter.

At 3:15 p.m. (2:15 p.m. EST) SAC McMahon advised that W. G. Anderson, one of the Albany demonstrators, was released from the local jail, and he immediately announced he would be in New York on Sunday, July 29, 1962, to appear on Meet The Press" television program.

At 4:17 p.m. (3:17 p.m. EST) SAC McMahon called to advise that nine individuals (eight Negroes and one white) had been picketing the City Hall, Albany, Georgia, and at 3:38 p.m. (2:38 p.m. EST) they were arrested by local police for "failure to obey a police officer." Their bond was set at \$27 each. No incident.

Mr. McGowan was advised of the above information and no further action taken.

At 4:55 p.m. (3:55 p.m. EST) SAC McMahon advised that a group of individuals left the Mount Zion Baptist Church, Albany, Georgia, and proceeded to the Albany City Hall. Upon getting out of cars and kneeling on the sidewalk in front of the City Hall to pray, the Albany Chief of Police asked them to move on at which time they refused stating, "In the name of God we will go to jail." At 3:30 p.m. EST, 29 of these individuals were arrested under various minor charges including "failure to obey a police officer." There was no violence or incident in connection with these arrests; however, SAC McMahon advised that just before the arrests, an Albany citizen described by the the state of the last a "hothead" charged the kneeling group, but was stopped just before contact made. He was arrested and taken into the police station

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Mr. McGowan was advised of the above information.

At 5:30 p.m., Mr. John Murphy of the Civil Rights Division, Department of Justice, was telephonically advised of the events occurring at Albany, Georgia, as indicated above, at which time he expressed appreciation for being so advised.

further information was available at this time. SAC McMahon was advised to keep the Bureau advised of developments in connection with this incident.

McMahon advised that he has received a complaint in connection with this matter from and has instituted a preliminary investigation.

Mr. McMahon was advised to handle this matter expeditiously and keep this Bureau advised of all developments.

Mr. McGowan was advised of the above information and he suggested that Mr. John Murphy of the Civil Rights Division of the Department of Justice be advised.

At 7:00 p.m., Mr. John Murphy of the Civil Rights Division of the Department of Justice was advised of information concerning and informed that the FBI was conducting a preliminary investigation in connection with this matter.

In addition to information furnished by SAC McMahon at 6:40 p.m. he also advised that called McMahon during the day and informed him that he talked to Assistant Attorney General Burke Marshall, concerning information received by from an undisclosed source that citizens of Newton, Georgia, had thrown

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rocks through the windows of the Newton jail apparently to hit some of the Negro prisoners incarcerated there as a result of the Albany situation. Newton is approximately 20 miles from Albany. According to AAG Marshall told to furnish this information to the FBI and tell the FBI to give the results of their inquiry to Department of Justice Attorney Jerome Heilbron now in Albany. McMahon discussed information with Heilbron who suggested no action need be taken in view of the irregular manner in which this information was furnished to the FBI.

Mr. McGowan was advised of the information and he suggested that in the next contact with SAC McMahon, he be told to advise appropriate local authorities and without any positive action attempt to confirm if the citizens of Newton, Georgia, did throw rocks at the jail.

Mr. McGowan's instructions were furnished to SAC McMahon at 8:50 p.m. (7:50 p.m. EST).

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	WFO advised at 12:10 p.m. today that the Justice Guard office had interviewed one of the demonstrators and this demonstrator mentioned that 500 persons were expected to demonstrate today and will march en masse to the White House at 2:00 p.m. WFO was instructed to furnish this information to Secret Service and MPD.								
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The group picketing the Justice Building which numbered about 25 at 12:10 p.m. carried signs asking for justice in Albany and indicated the demonstrators were from the Congress of Racial Equality (CORE) and Nonviolent Action Group (NAG).

The NAG is composed of students from Howard University.

ACTION:

WFO is following activities, maintaining liaison with MPD and will keep Bureau advised of developments.

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Grou Statement of the Negotiating Committee of the Albany Movement and Inief Consultants, Dr. Martin Luther King and Dr. Ralph Abernat

- FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

We have come here today in a final effort to soften the hearts of the City Commission of Albany, Georgia. As bona fide representatives of the Negro community, this prayer vigil comes after repeated attempts to meet with the Commission on our mutual problems and grievances.

In mid-1961, you will recall, several "citizens committees" made an attempt to resolve the pressing grievances of the Aegro citizenry through conference and negotiation. Our concerns and pleas fell on deaf ears. We were patient. In hovember of last year, shortly after the formation of the Albany Rovement, we south a hearing before the City Commission in which we laid before you our community concerns and were discourteously rebuffed.

In December, non-compliance with the ICC ruling that became effective hovember 1st, triggered the long frustration of our vain attempts and there began the series of peaceful protests which resulted in more than 700 errests. At several junctures in our December demonstrations, we made it perfectly clear that a good faith beginning would remove the necessity of our protest.

Following the arrest of Dr. Hartin Luther King, Jr., Dr. Ralp

Abernathy and 200 others, an agreement wasmade. Much to our chart

that agreement was never respected.

Thus we are here again, still seeking the right of local citizens to negotiate their differences with public officials of our city governing body. We have repeatedly made attempts by let! and by telegram with the sincere hope that we might travel the rou

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of negotiation. In our wire to you on Tuesday, following the setting aside of the temporary restraining order assued to thwart the exercise of the right to peacefully demonstrate, we said to you honestly and sincerely, "We do not consider the lifting of the injunction a victory . . The real victory will come when we as brothers sit down and discuss ways and means to grant citizenship rights that can no longer be postponed."

We have not been able to appeal to you with reason nor with the insistence of our peaceful protests. We make no apology for our discontent with the segregated system that pervades our community. It is unlawful, unjust, immoral and un-Christian. Today we begin a vigil of prayer, hoping that our witness here may soften your hearts at long last to sit with us at the conference table and make justifiable resolution of our legitimate grievances before your body.

we do not seek victory, only reconciliatio. If the beloved community is to be established in Albany, we must begin by talking together. The Commission has been absolutely adament to this basic initial consideration. Humanity demands it; Democracy dies without it; our religious faith is mockery if communication can not take place.

Mr. Belmont U S DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE Mr. Mohr COMMUNICATIONS SECTION Mr. Cale in JUL2 9 1962 URGENT 7/28/62 11-58PM EST LG Mr. Tavel DIRECTOR FBI /157-6-2/ Tele. Room es Holtoer FROM SAC ATLANTA /157-315/ 1P RACIAL HATTER RACIAL SITUATION, ALBANY, GA., RM. MEETING OF ALBANY MOVEMENT HELD NIGHT OF JULY TWENTYEIGHT MT. ZION CHURCH, ALBANY, GA. MEETING BORKE UP ABOUT TEN TWENTY PM EST AND PEOPLE IN ATTENDANCE DISBURSED. NO INCIDENTS OR VIOLENCE REPORTED. ROBERT M. SHELTON OF TUSCALOOSA, ALA. IMPERIAL WIZARD, UNITED KLANS, KNIGHTS OF THE KKK, OBSERVED BY AGENTS IN ALBANY, GA., TONIGHT. Korer to Below more 7/30 WITH RESPECT TO VOTER REGISTRATION MEETING HELD AT LEESBURG, GA., IN EARLIER TEL, ADVISED THAT FIFTEEN OR TWENTY AUTOMOBILES WERE OBSERVED AT CHURCH. NO PRESS REPRE-SENTATIVES PRESENT. NO LOCAL CITIZENS NEAR CHURCH. NO INCIDENTS OR VIOLENCE OCCURRED. **REC- 63** CIC ADVISED. Julia 1 53 Ming BUREAU WILL BE KEPT ADVISED. EX-108 END ACK 1-06 AM OK FBI WA HFL M

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FROM SAC ATLANTA /157-315/ 2P

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SEVENTEEN WERE NEGROES. OF THESE SEVENTEEN THERE WERE FIVE MALE JUVENILES AND ONE FEMALE JUVENILE, EIGHT MALE ADULTS AND THREE FEMALE ADULTS.

NEGROES STARTED GATHERING AT MT. ZION CHURCH BEGINNING ABOUT SIX PM NIGHT OF JULY TWENTYSEVEN. AGENTS OBSERVED APPROXIMATELY SIX HUNDRED PERSONS INSIDE AND OUTSIDE OF CHURCH AT VARIOUS INTERVALS BETWEEN SIX THIRTY AND SEVEN THIRTY

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Mr. Tolson Mr. Belmont

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MARTIN LUTHER KING RECEIVED TELEPHONE CALLS FROM LAWRENCE SPIVAK,
PRODUCER OF TV PROGRAM QUOTE MEET THE PRESS ENQUOTE REGULARLY
TELEVISED SUNDAY EVENINGS. KING TOLD SPIVAK THAT HIS LEAVING
ALBANY WOULD BE A DISTRESSING FACTOR TO THE CAUSE AND KING WOULD
NOT MAKE A COMMITMENT AS TO WHETHER OR NOT HE WOULD APPEAR ON THE
PROGRAM THIS SUNDAY.

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UNITED STATES GOVI Mohr Cailahan *1emorandum* DeLoach. Malone Mr. Rosen Sullivon 7/24/62 DATE: Trotter RACIAL SITUATION DATE Stay/8/ SUBJECT: ALBANY, GEORGIA RACIAL MATTERS -At 5:44 p.m. 7/23/62, SAC McMahon, Atlanta Office, telephonically advised that copies of the injunction issued by Judge Robert Elliott on 7/20/62 had been obtained and were forwarded to the Bureau the afternoon of 1/20/02 the from the Albany, Georgia, Resident Agency. - Free Park SAC McMahon specifically referred to item number 19 of the injunction which in part mentioned endangering the lives of citizens, police officers and FBI Agents. He stated the reference to the FBI refers to an event which occurred the night of 7/10/62 in Albany at which time SRA at about 9:30 p.m. contacted Albany Police and Department in order to obtain up-to-the-minute information on the Albany situation. The above officers were parked in the vicinity of the Shiloh Baptist Church, Albany, in an unmarked patrol car. While Agents were talking with these officers, several teen-agers came from the shadows of a nearby alley and threw rocks and bottles at the unmarked car causing several dents. At this time a marked Albany Police Department car came into the vicinity and these Negro teen-agers also threw rocks and bottles at the marked car damaging its dome light. McMahon stated there is no information to indicate the teen-agers were aware of the identities of the individuals occupying the unmarked car. He stated the 7/11/62 issue of the Albany Herald newspaper quoted Chief Pritchett of the Albany Police Department as stating young Negroes in the vicinity of Shiloh Baptist Church had the previous night thrown bricks at a marked patrol car damaging the dome light. The article indicated that two FBI Agents by coincidence were in the car. McMahon noted the discrepancy

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in the above newspaper article.

McMahor Stated information had just been received that Martin Luther king and others were going to file a petition for hearing before USDJ Elbert P. Tuttle, 5th Circuit Court of Appeals, Atlanta, seeking to vacate the injunction issued by Judge Elliott on 7/20/62. Judge Tuttle reportedly had orally agreed to the hearing which is scheduled for 10:00 a.m. 7/24/62.

ACTION:

For information.



UNITED STATES GOVE 'MENT 1emorandum

Mr. Belmont

July 26, 1962 DATE:

A. Rose

SUBJECT:

RACIAL SITUATION ALBANY, GEORGIA

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SAC McMahon of the Atlanta Office has advised that the Albany Movement (a Negro group seeking desegregation of facilities in Albany, Georgia,) plans to hold a meeting on the afternoon of 7/26/62at the Shiloh Baptist Church. Following the meeting there will possibly be some type of peaceful, nonviolent demonstration.

Mayor Asa Kelley of Albany has publicly requested Martin Luther King, Jr., to leave Albany in the name of humanity.

ACTION:

In view of the comment of Martin Luther King that he expected the situation in Albany to reach a "climax" on Saturday, McMahon was instructed to insure that all racial and Klan informants were alert to any information as to any activities planned for this weekend.

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Franki V. ASAC Hitt of the Atlanta Office was telephonically instructed at 1:30 p.m., 7/26/62 that information should be furnished to the Atlanta PD Although this matter is only under consideration at present and no definite plans have been made the Atlanta Police should be alerted to the fact that this matter is being given consideration CLM: ers (3) REC- 31 15/-6-527 16 JUL 30 1962 EX. - 107 AUG 2 196

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HERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE COMMUNICATIONS SECTION JUL2 91962

7-29-62 8-17 PM EST WJB DIRECTOR, FBI 157-6-2

SAC, ATLANTA 157-315 FROM RACIAL SITUATION, ALBANY, GA., RM.

AT FIVE PM ABOUT TWO HUNDRED NEGROES MET AT SHILOH MEETING STILL IN SESSION AT SIX FORTY PM. CHURCH.

ABOUT FIVE FIFTYSEVEN PM THIS DATE THEE NEGRO MALES ENTERED INTO PEACEFUL PRAYER ON SIDEWALK OF ALBANY CITY JAIL. AT ABOUT SIX ZERO FOUR PM THEY WALKED AWAY UNHARMED.

THEY WERE NOT APPROACHED BY POLICE CHIEF PRITCHETT BUT MOVED VOLUNTARILY.

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OF ALBANY MOVEMENT WILL BE AT EIGHT PM, JULY THIRTY SIXTYTWO,

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OPTIONAL FORM NO. 10 8018-104 **ERNMENT** UNITED STATES Mr. Rosen\ DATE: TO C. McGowan RACIAL SITUATION, Albany, Ga. RY SPAMACIGE SUBJECT: SAC achahon of Atlanta called at 11:30 PM and spoke to weekend duty supervison. May He advised that with regard to teletype this date (7-34PM) from Atlanta, that actual number of individuals arrested at Albany, Ga. tonight was eighteen rather than twentyone as originally reported. Check of police records indicated revised figure. ricmanon said that of the 18 arrested, one was a white, and the remaining 17 were all negroes. Of these I/, five were negro, male, juveniles. (according to Georgia state law juveniles are those who have not reached their 17th birthday). Of the remainder, one was a negro, female, juvenile; 8 negro, male adults and 3 negro, female, adults. McMahon said that from about 6 PM tonight a group started gathering vicinity of Mt. Zion church, Albany and by 7:30 to 8:00 P.1 approximately 700-800 persons had gathered. At 8:15 PM Wyatt Tee Malker came to church and instructed that there should be no more night demonstrations; by 9:00 PM all departed. At 9:40 PM a Bureau car with two agents was hit by a brick while the car was moving in the area. There were no injuries and no damage to the car. McMahon felt it was purely an accident that Bureau car was hit as it was moving in traffic with other vehicles. Identity of anyone who may have thrown brick not known. No further action being taken this regard. Later this evening vised McMahon that Rev. Martin Luther King received a phone call at the jail tonight from Lawrence Spivak, producer of the TV program, Meet the Fress. King, who was to be guest on the program 7/29/62, told Spivak, according to that his leaving Albany would be distressing to the cause. He would not say whether he would appear on the program this Lunday. Atlanta office kuping CIC (G-2) advised and will keep Bureau advised of further devolopment 16 JUL 30 1962

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UNITED STATES GO lemorandum Mr. Belmont DATE: July 27, 1962 A. Rose **FROM** RACIAL SITUATION SUBJECT: ALBANY, GEORGIA RACIAL MATTERS SAC James E. McMahon advised that at 2:18 p.m. Eastern Standard Time (2:18 p. m., Washington time) ten individuals including Martin Luther King, Jr., arrived at City Hall, Albany, Georgia, and requested to pray in front of City Hall. They did pray. The Chief of Police, Laurie Pritchett, requested the group to disperse and they refused. They were arrested and charged with disorderly conduct, failure to obey a police officer and obstructing the sidewalk. It is not known whether permission to pray was granted or not. Besides Reverend King, the following were arrested: Reverend Ralph Abernathy Dr. W. G. Anderson, President of the Albany Movement Slater King, Cousin of Martin Luther King (phonetic), and five unknown females. The above information was furnished to the office of Mr. John L. Murphy of the Civil Rights Division. SAC McMahon advised that Mr. Jerry Heilbron, Department representative at Albany, is aware of the activities. ACTION SAC McMahon was instructed to follow this situation closely and keep the Bure au advised. 1 - Mr. Mohr 1 - Mr. DeLoach 1 - Mr. Evans

Belmont UNITED STATES GOVI Callah emorandùm Mr. Belmont (Mark Sullivan DATE: July 26, 1962 Trotter Tele. Room **FROM** SUBJECT: RACIAL SITUATION ALBANY, GEORGIA ORACIAL NATTERS O Han There were no demonstrations or incidents in Albany, Georgia, of a racial nature on 7/25/62. Governor S. Ernest Vandiver of Georgia publicly announced on 7/25/62 that he would call out the National Guard of Georgia, if necessary, to maintain the peace in Albany. Chief of Police Laurie Pritchett has advised that with the assistance of the 75 to 100 members of the Georgia State Patrol, temporarily under his command in Albany, his manpower is sufficient to maintain order. There have been no further gatherings of white persons at Camilla, Georgia, since 7/24/62. Negro juveniles who were arrested for demonstrations in Albany are being held at this jail. At 8:30 P.M., 7/25/62, Special Agents observed approximately 600 Negroes gathered in the Mt. Zion Church in Albany. Additional persons were in the Shiloh Church located directly across the street from the Mt. Zion Church. Twenty-five to thirty young persons were at the Shiloh Church and Special's Agents observed what appeared to be instructions being given to the group to gather in circles with arms interlocked and then. the group would sway from side to side. has ventured the opinion that the above maneuver is apparently a demonstration that might be held in future to force police to lay hands on demonstrators in order to effect an arrest. Information has previously been received that workshops would be held in Albany to teach nonviolent techniques. - Mr. Mohr - Mr. Deloach - Mr. Evans M6 JUL 30 1962 1962

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Memorandum to Mr. Belmont RE: RACIAL SITUATION, ALBANY, GEORGIA

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A memorandum is being prepared for the Attorney General.

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TO DIRECTOR FBI /157-6-2/

FROM SAC ATLANTA /157-315/

RACIAL SITUATION, ALBANY, GA., RIA MONTON

JERONE HEILBRON, DEPARTMENTAL ATTORNEY IN ALBANY, GA.,

ADVISED HE, ARVID SATHER AND JOHN MARTIN, DEPARTMENTAL ATTORNEYS, WOULD BE IN ALBANY, GA., AND IN NEARBY TERRELL COUNTY TAKING AFFIDAVITS CONCERNING VOTER REGISTRATION MEETING WHICH SHERIFF 2. A MATHEWS OF TERRELL COUNTY ALLEGEDLY BROKE UP, ACCORDING TO NEWSPAPER REPORTS, ON THE NIGHT OF JULY TWENTYFIVE LAST AT SASSER, TERRELL COUNTY. SUBSEQUENTLY, ON THE NIGHT OF JULY TWENTYEIGHT INSTANT, HEILBRON ADVISED THAT TWO ADDITIONAL DEPARTMENTAL ATTORNEYS, UNNAMED, WOULD BE IN THE ALBANY, GA., AREA BEGINNING JULY TWENTYNINE NEXT TO ASSIST IN OBTAINING AFFIDAVITS FROM WITNESSES, SPECTATORS, AND OTHER INDIVIDUALS INVOLVED IN ABOVE MATTER. HEILBRON ADVISED FURTHER HE DESIRES THE BUREAU TO CONDUCT AN INVESTIGATION IN THIS MATTER. HE STATED THERE WOULD BE BETWEEN FIFTEEN AND THIRTY INDIVIDUALS WHICH THE DEPARTMENT WOULD LIKE INTERVIEWED AND THAT SOME OF THE INDIVIDUALS WOULD BE ONES FROM WHOM HE HAS ALREADY OBTAINED AFFIDAVITS. STATED HE WOULD LIKE THIS INVESTIGATION COMPL END PAGE ONE & AUG 2 1962

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HIM TO FILE SUIT IN U. S. DISTRICT COURT ON MONDAY, JULY THIRTY, NINETEEN SIXTYTWO. HEILBRON ALSO STATED HE HAS DISCUSSED THIS MATTER WITH ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL BURKE MARSHALL WHO TELEPHONICALLY AUTHORIZED HIM TO REQUEST THE FBI TO CONDUCT THE INVESTIGATION. HE FURTHER STATED THAT WHEN INTERVIEWS, WHICH FBI WILL CONDUCT, HAVE BEEN COMPLETED HE WOULD LIKE COPIES FURNISHED HIM DIRECTLY AT ALBANY RE FOR REVIEW AND POSSIBLE USE IN CIVIL ACTION HE INTENDS TO FILE.

ATLANTA CONSTITUTION NEWSPAPER OF JULY TWENTYEIGHT INSTANT REPORTED A DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE SPOKESMAN GAVE A TERSE FORMAL STATEMENT THAT THE JUSTICE DEPARTMENT WAS TAKING IMMEDIATE STEPS TO OBTAIN THE FACTS OF THE INCIDENT AT SASSER AND THAT THE INVESTIGATION WOULD BE CONDUCTED BY THE FBI. THE NEWSPAPER ARTICLE HEADING FOR THIS ARTICLE WAS QUOLE FBI INVESTIGATING INCIDENT AT SASSER "UNCOUNTED. INVESTIGATION WILL NOT BE CONDUCTED RE THIS INCIDENT PENDING FURTHER BUREAU INSTRUCTIONS.

AT TWO FIFTEEN PM EST, JULY TWENTYEIGHT INSTANT, W. G. ANDERSON WAS RELEASED FROM THE ALBANY, GA., JAIL FOLLOWING WHICH HE ANNOUNCED HE WOULD LEAVE ALBANY BY PLANE FOR NEW YORK AND WASHINGTON, D. C., TO APPEAR ON THE TV PROGRAM QUOTE MEET THE END PAGE TWO

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PRESS "UNQUETE ON SUNDAY, JULY TWENTYNINE NEXT, AS A SUBSTITUTE FOR MARTIN LUTHER KING. ANDERSON FURTHER ANNOUNCED A CUETE
"CAUCUS" UNGUETE WAS HELD LAST NIGHT, JULY TWENTYSEVEN, AND IT WAS DECIDED THAT HE WOULD NOW LEAD THE ALBANY MOVEMENT.

AT NINE THIRTYEIGHT AM EST, JULY TWENTYEIGHT INSTANT NINE PERSONS APPEARED IN FRONT OF CITY HALL, ALBANY, WHERE THEY STARTED A PICKET LINE. AMONG THE NINE WERE SIX FEMALE NEGROES, TWO MALE NEGROES, AND ONE WHITE MALE. CHIEF OF POLICE LAURIE PRITCHETT INSTRUCTED THAT ONLY TWO OF THEM COULD PICKET AND THE REST MUST LEAVE.

SUBSEQUENTLY ALL NINE WERE ARRESTED AND CHARGED WITH FAILURE TO OBEY A POLICE OFFICER. BOND WAS SET AT TWENTYSEVEN DOLLARS EACH. THE PICKETS CARRIED SIGNS WHICH READ AS FOLLOWS...CHIOTE ELEVEN HUNDRED ARRESTED IN PEACE DEMONSTRATIONS. GOD IS ON OUR SIDE. FREEDOM. NO CIVIL LIBERTIES. NO CIVIL RIGHTS. LEGAL TO PICKET ALBANY, GEORGIA DASH POLICE SAY NO. DOES JUSTICE EXTEND TO ALBANY, GEORGIA. REVIVE FIRST AMENDMENT IN ALBANY, GA. FREEDOM OF ASSEMBLY."

ABOUT THREE THIRTY PM EST, JULY TWENTYEIGHT INSTANT A GROUP OF PERSONS LEFT MT. ZION BAPTIST CHURCH, ALBANY, ENTERED AUTOMOBILES AND DROVE TO CITYHALL, ALBANY, GOT OUT OF AUTOMOBILES AND TWENTY NINE INDIVIDUALS KNELT ON THE SIDEWALK IN FRONT OF END PAGE THREE

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CITY HALL AND STARTED TO PRAY. WHEN THEY FINISHED PRAYING CHIEF
PRITCHETT ASKED THEM TO MOVE ON. ONE OF THE GROUP GOT UP AND LEFT.
ANOTHER OF THE GROUP REPLIED QUOTE IN THE NAME OF GOD WE WILL GO TO
JAIL. THESE TWENTYEIGHT REMAINING WERE THEN ARRESTED
AND TAKEN INTO THE CITY JAIL. SIX OF THE TWENTYEIGHT REFUSED TO
WALK INTO THE JAIL AND WERE CARRIED IN ON STRETCHERS BY POLICE
OFFICERS. AT THE TIME THE TWENTYEIGHT PERSONS WERE PRAYING,

AS A QUOTE"HOTHEAD" UNCLOSE WAS OBSERVED BY OFFICERS OF THE ALBANY PD TO APPROACH THE PRAYING GROUP. WAS IMMEDIATELY TAKEN INTO CUSTODY

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AFTERNOON OF JULY TWENTYEIGHT A MEETING OF LEE COUNTY VOTERS REGISTRATION LEAGUE WAS SCHEDULED TO BE HELD ON NIGHT OF JULY TWENTYEIGHT INSTANT ABOUT SEVEN THIRTY PM EST., AT THE SHADY GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH, FIVE MILES OUT OF LEESBURG, GA., ON STATE END PAGE FOUR

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ROAD ONE NINE FIVE. ACCORDING TO TEN TO FIFTEEN NEWSMEN PLAN TO ATTEND AND PROBABLY SET UP CAMERAS. FURTHER ADVISED THAT HE RECEIVED INFORMATION FROM AN UNDISCLOSED SOURCE THAT LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS FROM THE LEESBURG AREA INTEND TO BREAK UP THIS MEETING. THIS MATTER IS BEING FOLLOWED CLOSELY AND BUREAU WILL BE SUBSEQUENTLY ADVISED.

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THE SHERIFF AT LEESBURG, EXPLAINED THE ENTIRE SITUATION TO THE SHERIFF, AND TOLD THE SHERIFF EVERY EFFORT SHOULD BE MADE THAT PROPOSED MEETING IS PERMITTED TO BE HELD WITHOUT INTERFERENCE AND WITHOUT ANY INCIDENT. STATED THAT THE SHERIFF ASSURED HIM THAT HE WOULD ENFORCE THE LAW TO THE FULLEST EXTENT AND WOULD NOT PERMIT ANY INTERFERENCE WITH THE MEETING AND WOULD NOT PERMIT ANY INCIDENT TO OCCUR.

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ADVISED AGENT AT FIVE TWENTYFIVE PM EST, JULY TWENTYEIGHT INSTANT,

THAT HE HAD BEEN TALKING BY TELEPHONE TO AAG BURKE MARSHALL AT

APPROXIMATELY FIVE PM EST TODAY. STATED HE TOLD BURKE

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MARSHALL HE RECEIVED INFORMATION FROM UNDISCLOSED SOURCE THAT THE CITIZENS OF NEWTON, GEORGIA AREA WERE THROWING ROCKS AT THE NEWTON JAIL ATTEMPTING TO STRIKE THE PRISONERS IN JAIL. MANY OF THE PRISONERS IN THIS JAIL WERE INDIVIDUALS CONNECTED WITH THE ALBANY-MOVEMENT WHO HAD PREVIOUSLY BEEN ARRESTED. ACCORDING TO BURKE MARSHALL INSTRUCTED HIM TO CONTACT THE FBI AT ALBANY, GA., AND TELL THE FBI THAT AN INVESTIGATION PROULD BE CONDUCTED CONCERNING THIS MATTER AND RESULTS SHOULD BE FURNISHED TO DEPARTMENTAL ATTORNEY JEROME HEILBRON.

HEILBRON WAS IN THE ALBANY RA AT THE TIME THIS CALL FROM
WAS RECEIVED. HEILBRON WAS THEREFORE INFORMED OF THE CALL
AND HE STATED THIS REQUEST FROM IS NOT A PROPER REQUEST
AND THAT NO INVESTIGATION SHOULD BE CONDUCTED UNLESS A REQUEST IS
-MADE THROUGH BUREAU CHANNELS.

HEILBRON WAS INFORMED THAT NO INVESTIGATION WOULD BE CONDUCTED
BUT THAT THE COUNTY AUTHORITIES AT NEWTON WOULD BE INFORMED.
HEILBRON WAS ALSO REQUESTED TO CONTACT BURKE MARSHALL AND INFORMED
BURKE MARSHALL OF THE PROPER PROCEDURE TO BE FOLLOWED IN THESE
MATTERS. HEILBRON STATED HE WOULD DO THIS.
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HEILBRON VOLUNTEERED HE KNOWS AND HAS KNOWLEDGE
THAT HAS FURNISHED FALSE INFORMATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF
JUSTICE IN THE PAST.

ADVISED ON THE NIGHT OF JULY TWENTYEIGHT
INSTANT HE HAD BEEN AT THE JAIL SINCE NINE AM EST, JULY TWENTYEIGHT
AND THERE HAS NOT BEEN ANY ROCK THROWING OR DISTURBANCES OF ANY
TYPE. LONG STATED THERE HAVE NOT BEEN ANY VISITORS TO THE JAIL
ON THIS DATE, THAT ONLY TEN PRISONERS FROM THE ALBANY MOVEMENT
FROM ALBANY: OF PRESENTLY IN THE JAIL AND THAT ALL OF THEM
ARE SECURE.

ONE JULY TWENTYEIGHT INSTANT THREE SEPARATE COMPLAINTS WERE RECEIVED CONCERNING CIVIL RIGHTS VIOLATIONS. ALL REPORTED TO BUREAU BY SEPARATE TELETYPES.

CIG ADVISED ONLY OF MATTERS OF INTEREST TO THEM INSTANT TEL.

THIS MATTER BEING FOLLOWED CLOSELY AND BUREAU WILL BE ADVISED.

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UNITED STATES GOV NMENT ${\it 1emorandum}$ TO Mr. Belmon DATE: July 26, 1962 FROM A. Rosen N.F' RACIAL SITUATION ALBANY, GEORGIA
RACIAL MATTERS SUBJECT: ATEN 1171-Mr. John L. Murphy of the Civil Rights Division of the Department furnished information today that Jerome K. Heilbron left Washington, D. C., by airplane today at 1:30 p.m. en route to Albany, Georgia, to be the official Department representative on the scene. ACTION: For information. Atlanta Office has been advised. 1 - Mr. Mohr 1 - Mr. DeLoach 1 - Mr. Evans DATE 14/81 BY SPT MACKEL EX 101 10 JUL 30 1962 56 AUG 2 1902

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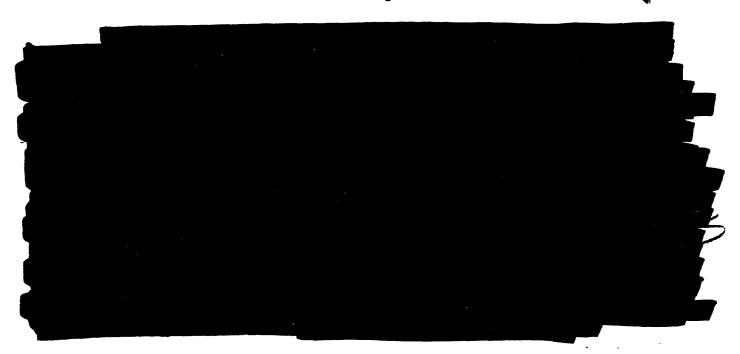
RACIAL SITUATION SUBJECT:

ALBANY, GEORGIA ORACIAL MATTERS - SOOKECOTILL

DATE: July 26, 1962

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SAC McMahon advised that a meeting of about 600 Negroes in the Mount Zion Church began about 6:30 p.m., 7/26/62. Dr. W. G. Anderson addressed the group and he told those in attendance that if they were arrested for demonstrations they would not be harmed but that they would be uncomfortable in jail. He then explained that Martin Luther King was not present at "the meeting tonight because he was in a strategy meeting shaping our destinies." SAC McMahon stated that instructions were given at this meeting on how the Negroes should conduct demonstrations and that these instructions consisted of hitting them on the head and calling them "Nigger" and "Coon" and it was explained to them that they had to learn to take that kind of abuse with a non-violent attitude and not fight back.

the meeting broke up at about 8:30 p. m. (EST). The Negroes dispersed, no demonstrations and no incidents occurred.

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Memorandum to Mr. Rosen RE: RACIAL SITUATION ALBANY, GEORGIA

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Atlanta Office is submitting a teletype tonight concerning above.

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RACIAL SITUATION ALBANY, GEORGIA

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that during the meeting of the Albany Movement on the evening of July 25, 1962 at Mt. Zion Church, printed papers were distributed for participants to sign, wherein they promised to participate in demonstrations and go to jail with leaders of the Albany Movement. According to approximately 300 of the estimated 600 members present signed and returned these slips.

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advised on July 26, 1962, that the City of Albany does not at this time contemplate further legal action against members or participants of the Albany Movement.



Special Agents of the FBI observed about 600 Negroes in the Albany Movement meeting at the Mt. Zion Church, beginning at 6:30 PM, July 26, 1962.

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advised that Dr. W. G. Anderson addressed the meeting and told those in attendance that if they were arrested for demonstrating they would not be harmed but would be uncomfortable in jail.

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that at this meeting James Forman of the Student Non-Violent

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Coordinating Committee and Dr. Anderson explained that Martin Luther King would not be at the meeting because he was in a strategy meeting "shaping our destinies". They stated that it may be necessary to call a nationwide prayer pilgrimage to Albany.

Forman gave a demonstration with six mocked participants, teaching them how to conduct demonstrations. He would hit them on the head, calling them "nigger" and "coon", and explained that they had to learn to take verbal abuse of this nature with a non-violent attitude and not fight back.

informed him that the leaders of the Albany Movemement had no intention of leaving town but it might become necessary to stage simultaneous demonstrations in at least a half dozen other cities.

The meeting of the Mt. Zion Church broke up at 8:30 PM and the Negroes dispersed without any demonstrations or incidents.

The above was furnished to Detachment, Fort McPherson, Georgia.

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1emorana. Sullivar Mr. Belmont PATE: July 25, 1962 Tavel Trotte A. Rosen RACIAL SITUATION SUBJECT: ALBANY, GEORGIA m-TlahNTh RACIAL MATTERS advised our Atlanta Office that Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr., held a press conference this afternoon at which he announced no further demonstrations will be held in Albany until noon tomorrow and that no more night marches will be held in connection with the demonstrations at Albany. Reverend King designated a day of penance to run from noon today until noon tomorrow for the purpose of offering prayers for the "brethren who are not yet peaceful." Reverend King denied that anyone connected with the Albany Movement had been responsible for the violence which occurred on the evening of 7/24/62. He stated, however, that he would accept responsibility for such violence since the individuals responsible therefor were members of the Negro community in Albany. Reverend King further stated that he and Dr. W. G. Anderson planned to personally visit the liquor stores and "juke joints" in the Negro area for the purpose of explaining their position of nonviolence to the Negro community. He further announced that nonviolent demonstrations would resume tomorrow afternoon, 7/26/62, and that workshops to indoctrinate participants in the nonviolent techniques of the movement would be held at the Shiloh Baptist Church in Albany. 157-62-53 Reverend King also announced that no further night marches will be **9** JUL 30 1962 held in connection with the demonstrations at Albany. ACTION K01-X3 The Department has been advised of the above information. 6 M Atlanta is continuing to follow the situation closely and it will keep the Bureau advised of all pertinent developments. 1 - Mr. Mohr 1 - Mr. DeLoach 1 - Mr. Evans سر (9) ers

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Atlanta, Georgia July 26, 1962

RACIAL SITUATION ALBANY, GEORGIA

45 7C_ Jail, Camilla, Georgia, advised the Negro juveniles previously arrested by the Albany, Georgia Police Department, were presently incarcerated in his jail. He advised on the evening of July 25, 1962, he anticipated no trouble between the white citizens of Camilla and the Negroes of Albany, Georgia.

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statement.

Camilla, Georgia,

At 7:50 PM, July 25, 1962, Special Agents of the FBI observed Albany, Georgia policemen escorting Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr., Rev. Ralph Abernathy and Dr. W. G. Anderson to the Mt. Zion Church.

Special Agents of the FBI observed approximately 600 Negroes at the Mt. Zion Church, Albany, at 8:30 PM, July 25, 1962. Approximately 30 to 40 Negro juveniles were outside this church and the Shiloh Church was being opened for the overflow.

Chief of Police Laurie Pritchett, Albany, advised on July 25, 1962, that with the assistance of 75 to 100 Georgia State patrolmen, who are temporarily in Albany, under his command, no additional assistance was needed and he had sufficient manpower to maintain order at this time.

Georgia Governor Ernest Vandiver publicly announced on July 25, 1962, he would call out the Georgia National Guard, if necessary, to maintain peace in Albany.

July 25, 1962, in Albany or elsewhere in the area.

Special Agents of the FBI observed from outside Shiloh Baptist Church, Albany, on the evening of July 25, 1962, what appeared to be instructions given to a group to gather in circles with arms interlocked and sway from side to side.

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advised he believed the purpose of the interlocked arms is a type demonstration that might be held in the future in a public area to force police to lay hands on the demonstrators in order to effect their arrest.

Special Agents of the FBI observed the meeting at the Shiloh Church, Albany, ended at approximately 10:15 PM, EST, and the meeting at the Mt. Zion Church, across the street, which was attended by approximately 600 persons, ended about 10:45 PM, EST, and those in attendance dispersed.

There were no demonstrations, marching nor incidents.

The 111th CIC Detachment, Fort McPherson, Georgia, has been continually advised of the above.

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The above information was furnished to the Albany Police Department.

advised that these men were in Albany only for peaceful purposes and not for violence.

A crowd consisting of approximately 2000 persons assembled at Kiokee Church in Albany where Dr. W. G. Anderson, founder of the Albany Movement, a group seeking desegregation at Albany, gave the principal speech. Dr. Anderson stated that while in New York City to appear on "Meet the Press" on July 29, 1962, he contacted important people who promised to send additional demonstrators to Albany. Dr. Anderson then stated, "We are going all the way regardless of what happens."

A group of sixteen persons, fifteen Negroes and one white person, from Kickee Church arrived at City Hall, Albany, at 9:15 p.m., Eastern Standard Time, where they knelt on the sidewalk and prayed. They then stood up and sang loudly. They were arrested and charged with disorderly conduct, obstructing the sidewalk and failure to obey an officer.

Another meeting is scheduled by the Albany Movement for July 31, 1962, and the principal speaker is to be Reverend Martin Luther King, Sr., is still in jail.





Additional developments will be furnished to the Department as they occur.

- 1 The Deputy Attorney General
- 1 Mr. Burke Marshall Assistant Attorney General

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To: SAC, Washington Field (BSM)

From: Director, FBI

RACIAL SITUATION ALBANY, GEORGIA

ALBANY, GEORGIA RACIAL MATTERS

On 7/29/62, Dr. W. G. Anderson, founder of the Albany movement, a group seeking desegregation of public facilities in Albany, Ga., appeared on the television program "Meet the Press."

At the conclusion of the program an announcement was made that a copy of the interview of Dr. Anderson on the program could be obtained from Merkle Press, 809 Channing Street, Northeast, Washington, D. C., for \$.10.

The Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company directory for the Washington metropolitan area sets forth that Merkle Press, Inc., is located at 810 Rhode Island Ave., Northeast, telephone number Dupont 7-6420.

You should discreetly obtain copies of the above program and forward them to the Bureau as soon as they are available. Forward one copy to Atlanta and three copies to the Bureau.

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PACIAL SITUATION, ALBANY, GEORGIA, RM.

RE ATLANTA TELETYPE ELEVEN TWENTY FIVE AM AND CHICAGO TELETYPE EIGHT THIRTY SIX PM, JULY THIRTY, INSTANT.

IN VIEW OF EXTREME SENSITIVE RACIAL SITUATION IN ALBANY, GEORGIA, AND DEPARTMENT-S HOURLY INTEREST THEREIN, CHICAGO IS REQUESTED TO IMMEDIATELY CONDUCT FOLLOWING INVESTIGATION AND SUTEL, JULY THIRTY ONE NEXT.

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THE TEN LINED UP IN SINGLE FILE -ON SIDEWALK DIRECTLY IN FRONT OF CITY HALL PARALLEL WITH STREET WERE MET BY COP PRITCHETT AND HE STARTED TO TALK TO MARTIN LUTHER KING, WHO INDICATED THAT ANDERSON WOULD BE THE SPOKESMAN. PRITCHETT ASKED ANDERSON THEIR PURPOSE. ANDERSON REPLIED THEY DESIRED TO SEE CITY COMMISSION AND WOULD REMAIN UNTIL THEY SAW PRITCHETT INVITED THEM TO HIS OFFICE AND THEY DECLINED. COMMISSION. MARTIN LUTHER KING THEN ASKED ABERNATHY TO LEAD THEM IN PRAYER WHICH HE DID. UPON CONCLUSION OF PRAYER, CHIEF PRITCHETT ASKED IF THEY WERE THROUGH PRAYING AND NEITHER ABERNATHY OR ANDERSON INDICATED THEY WERE. CHIEF PRITCHETT ORDERED THEM TO DISPERSE OR BE ARRESTED. ANDERSON AND KING STATED THEY WOULD REMAIN. CHIEF PRITCHETT AT EXACTLY TWO TWENTY THREE P. M., EST, PLACED ALL TEN UNDER ARREST CHARGING THEM WITH DISORDERLY CONDUCT, FAILURE TO OBEY ORDER OF POLICE OFFICER AND CONGREGATING ON SIDEWALK. ABOVE INCIDENT WITNESSED IN ENTIRETY BY AGENTS. BOND SET AT TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS EACH.

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DURING ABOVE INCIDENT, WYATT TEE WALKER OBSERVED BY AGENT DISTRIBUTING TYPED RELEASES TO NEWSMEN VIEWING AND PHOTOGRAPHING THE PROCEDURE. COPY OF RELEASE OBTAINED BY AGENT. IN IT THE ALBANY MOVEMENT COMPLAINS OF FAILURE OF CITY COMMISSION TO MEET WITH NEGROES ON MUTUAL PROBLEMS AND GRIEVANCES.

WITH RESPECT TO PRESS STATEMENTS, THAT GOV. OF GA. WILL SEND NATIONAL GUARD TROOPS TO ALBANY IF SITUATION WARRANTED, GOV. VANDIVER HAS PERSONALLY ADVISED TODAY HE WOULD NOTIFY FBI. ATLANTA. PRIOR TO AND IF HE INTENDED TO TAKE THIS ACTION.

AT FOUR FORTY P. M., EST, AGENTS OBSERVED GROUP OF TWENTY NEGROES AND ONE WHITE MALE APPROACHING FRONT OF ALBANY POLICE STATION. AMONG THE TWENTY NEGROES WERE THREE NEGRO FEMALES.

UPON REACHING POLICE STATION AND CITY HALL, WHICH IS IN SAME BUILDING, THEY ALL KNELT ON SIDEWALK FACING NEWSPAPER AND CAMERA MEN. ONE NEGRO MALE READ FROM A PREPARED SHEET WHAT APPEARED TO BE CHARGES AGAINST THE CITY OF ALBANY. WHEN HE FINISHED, THE COP TOLD THE GROUP TO MOVE ON BECAUSE THEY HAD AMPLE TIME TO PRAY AND SHOULD GO ABOUT THEIR BUSINESS. HE REITERATED THIS WAS THEIR LAST CHANCE TO LEAVE WITHOUT BEING ARRESTED. NONE MOVED. HE THEN INFORMED GROUP THEY WERE ALL UNDER ARREST. STILL NO ONE END PAGE THREE

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MOVED. HE THEN ORDERED POLICE OFFICERS TO GET STRETCHERS. ALL
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UNITED STATES GOVI IMENT MemorandumMr. Belmont What Rosen ... Sullivan July 27, 1962 Trotter FROM RACIAL SITUATION SUBJECT: ALBANY, GEORGIA (RACIAL MATTERS -Mayor Asa D. Kelley on 7/26/62 requested Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr., to leave Albany, Georgia. Calvin Craig, Klan official is making press releases Klan intends to go to Albany. Announcements are publicity stunts. Appropriate officials and Department advised. Assistant Attorney General Marshall asked Assistant Director Evans 7/26/62 to have message delivered to Attorney General en route airport, "I have been in touch with Dr. King and he thought it would work. He was going to talk to the Mayor and will call me back." Mr. Evans suggested this be handled through the airlines. a AUG 1 1962 1 - Mr. Mohr 1 - Mr. DeLoach.

Memorandum to Mr. Belmont RE: RACIAL SITUATION

Albany Movement meeting held 7/26/62 with 600 in attendance. No significant developments.

No demonstrations held in Albany 7/26/62.

ACTION:

A memorandum is being prepared for the Attorney General.

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Memorandum to Mr. Belmont RE: RACIAL SITUATION

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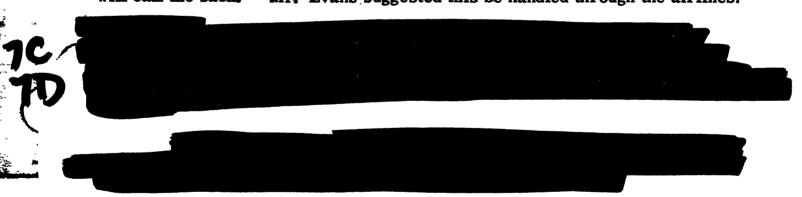
Mayor Asa D. Kelley on 7/26/62 publicly requested Reverend Martin Luther King to leave Albany, Georgia.

The "Atlanta Constitution" daily newspaper of Atlanta, Georgia, on 7/26/62 carried statement of Calvin F. Craig, Grand Dragon for Georgia United Klans of America, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, in which Craig stated the Klan was ready to march into Albany to defend all citizens and to remove outside troublemakers.



Above information was furnished to Albany, Georgia, Police Department (PD); Albany, Georgia, city officials; Georgia State officials; and the Civil Rights Division of the Department of Justice.

On the afternoon of 7/26/62 Mr. Burke Marshall called Assistant Director Evans and wanted to have a message given to the Attorney General, who was en route to the airport. Message was, "I have been in touch with Dr. King and he thought it would work. He was going to talk to the Mayor and will call me back." Mr. Evans suggested this be handled through the airlines.



Memorandum to Mr. Belmont RE: RACIAL SITUATION dvised on 7/26/62that during meeting of Albany Movement 7/25/62, 300 of approximately 600 persons present signed slips of paper promising to participate in demonstrations and go to jail if necessary. Mayor Kelley announced on 7/26/62 that contrary to news reports Albany does not contemplate further legal action against the Albany Movement. Memorandum to Mr. Belmont RE: RACIAL SITUATION

This information was checked out and it appears to be groundless.

A meeting took place at Mt. Zion Baptist Church 7/26/62 and approximately 600 attended. Practice session was held where participants were called "nigger" and "coon" to learn to take verbal abuse.

During the meeting Dr. W. G. Anderson, President of Albany

Movement, stated it might be necessary to call for a nation-wide prayer pilgrimage
to Albany. Dr. Anderson also stated Reverend King would not be at the
meeting since he was at a strategy meeting "shaping our destines."

leaders of Albany Movement had no intention of leaving Albany but it might become necessary to stage simultaneous demonstrations in at least six other cities. The meeting broke up at 8:30 p.m. and there were no further demonstrations.

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UNITED STATES G morandum Mr. Rosen C. L. McGowa SUBJECT: RACIAL SITUATION ALBANY, GEORGIA CRACIAL MATTERS - INSKNOOTION - AMOUNT two more days. taken to the City Hall.

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SAC McMahon advised that the court was continuing the hearing on the petition for an injunction. He advised that the proceedings were moving very slowly and it is expected that the hearing would take at least

McMahon advised that at 3:15 p.m. (Eastern Standard Time - EST) 15 Negroes appeared at the Carnegie Library in Albany and started praying. When they finished praying a police captain asked them to move on and they refused. Therefore at 3:30 p.m. EST they were placed under arrest and

Upon arrival at the City Hall there were 6 more Negroes praying on the steps. They were permitted to finish their prayers then they were asked to move on and when they refused were placed under arrest.

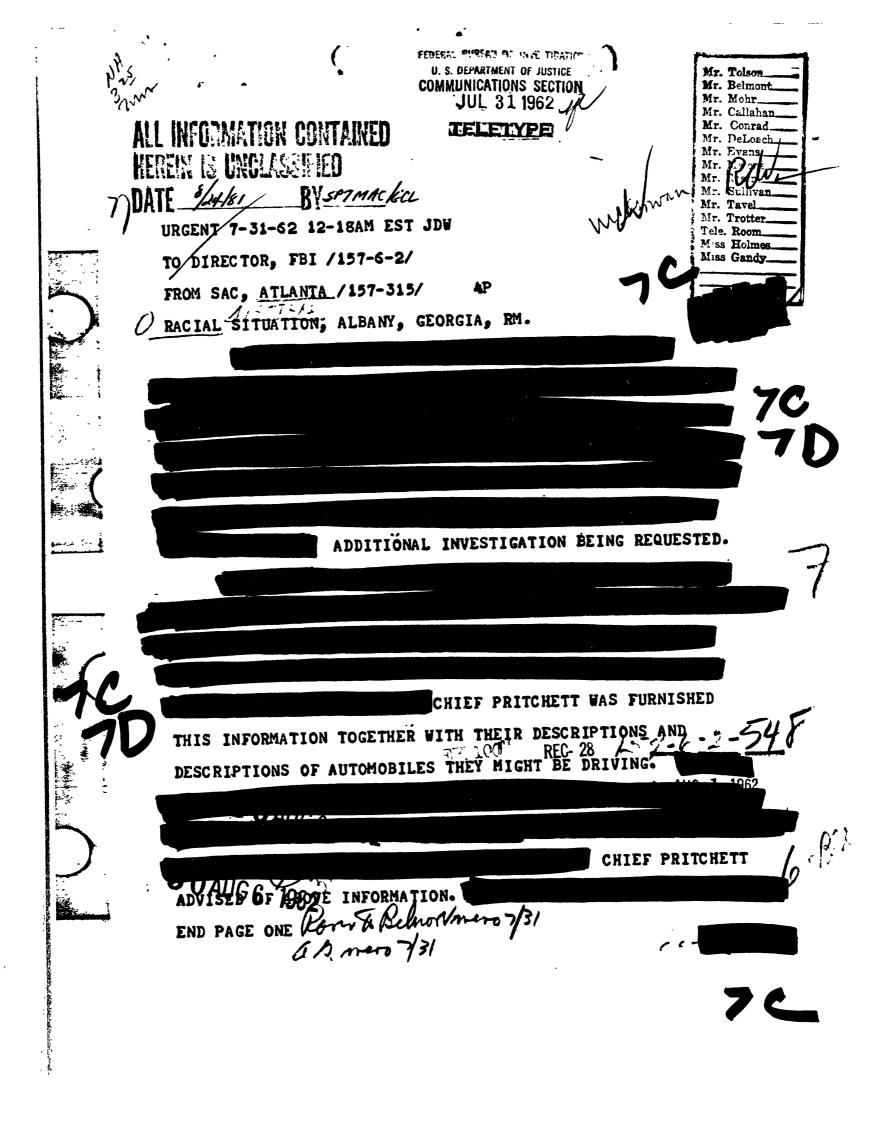
All 21 individuals were booked on charges of congregating on the sidewalk, disorderly conduct and failure to obey the order of a police officer. Bond for each is set at \$200.

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HEARING ON INJUNCTION PREVIOUSLY FILED BY
ALBANY CITY OFFICIALS AGAINST OFFICERS OF ALBANY MOVEMENT
AND OTHERS COMMENCED JULY THIRTY INSTANT BEFORE JUDGE J.
ROBERT ELLIOTT, USDC, MDGA, ALBANY, TWO THIRTY PM.

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SECOND WITNESS COMPLETED TESTIFYING, JUDGE ELLIOTT DECLARED
RECESS AT FIVE FIFTEEN PM EST UNTIL NINE THIRTY AM EST,
JULY THIRTY ONE NEXT.

ABOUT EIGHT FORTY PM JULY THIRTY INSTANT BUAGENTS
OBSERVED LARGE CROWD POSSIBLY UP TO TWO THOUSAND PERSONS
AT KIOKEE CHURCH ABOUT ONE MILE FROM DOWNTOWN ALBANY.
ABOUT NINE NINETEEN SIXTEEN PERSONS COMPOSED OF FIFTEEN
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NEGROES AND ONE WHITE ARRIVED AT CITY HALL FROM KIOKEE CHURCH.

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AND SANG LOUDLY. THEY WERE ARRESTED AT NINE TWENTY SIX

PM BY CHIEF PRITCHETT FOR DISORDERLY CONDUCT, OBSTRUCTING

SIDEWALK AND FAILURE TO OBEY AN OFFICER. BOND SET AT

TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS EACH. STATED HE

OBSERVED KLANSMEN PHOTOGRAPHING DEMONSTRATION.

MEETING AT KIOKEE CHURCH DISBANDED ABOUT TEN THIRTY PM.

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SPEAKER AT MEETING AT KIOKEE CHURCH. ANDERSON STATED AT

MEETING HE CONTACTED IMPORTANT PEOPLE IN NYC WHO WERE

INTERESTED IN ALBANY MOVEMENT. ACCORDING TO ANDERSON,

HIS CONTACTS IN NYC PROMISED TO SEND ADDITIONAL DEMONSTRATORS

TO ALBANY.

ANDERSON THEN STATED, QUOTE WE ARE GOING ALL THE WAY REGARDLESS OF WHAT HAPPENS UNQUOTE. ANDERSON ANNOUNCED SPEAKER FOR TOMORROW NIGHT-S MEETING WILL BE MARTIN LUTHER KING, SR. PAREN MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. IS IN JAIL PAREN. END PAGE THREE

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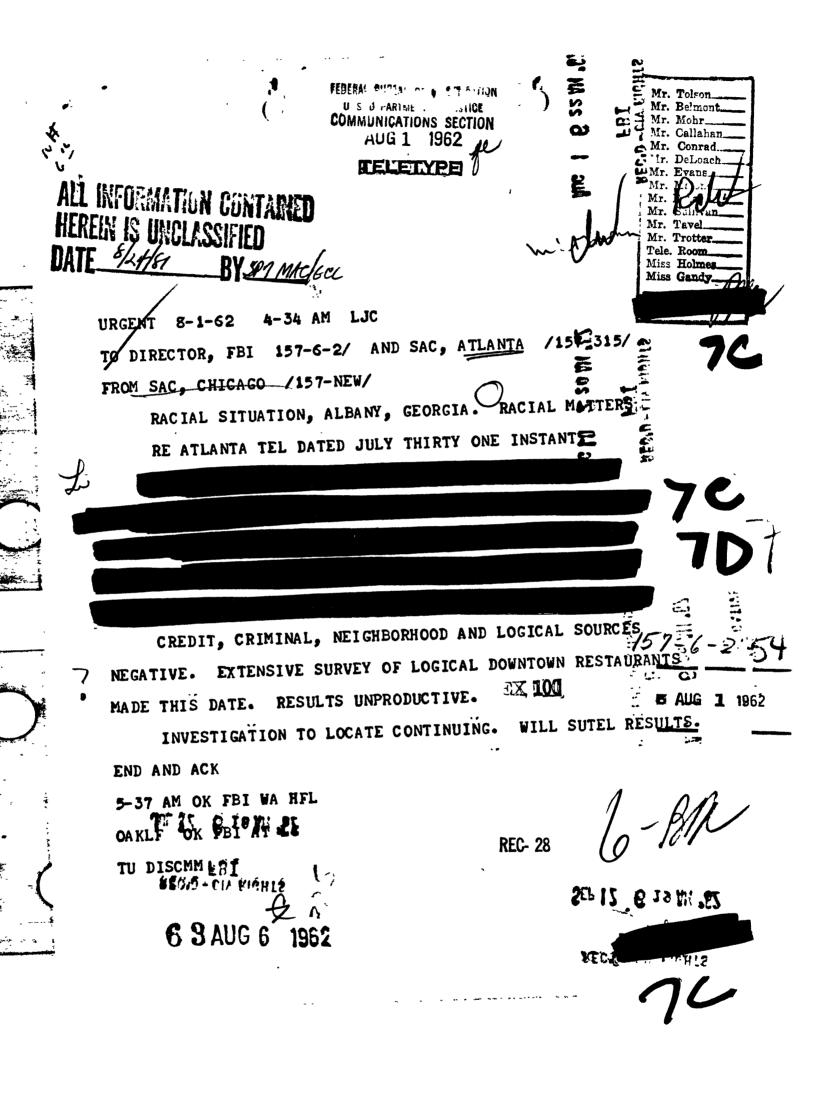
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FROM SAC, ATLANTA /157-315/

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AT THREE FIFTEEN PM EST, JULY THIRTY ONE INSTANT, FIFTEEN NEGROES APPEARED AT THE CARNEGIE LIBRARY PAREN WHITE PUBLIC LIBRARY PAREN IN DOWNTOWN ALBANY, KNELT AND PRAYED ON THE STEPS. WHEN THEY FINISHED PRAYING, THEY WERE ASKED TO LEAVE BY POLICE CAPTAIN THEY REFUSED TO LEAVE AND AT THREE THIRTY PM EST THEY WERE PLACED UNDER ARREST AND TAKEN TO POLICE STATION, CITY JAIL, CITY HALL, ALL IN ONE BUILDING NEARBY. UPON ARRIVAL AT STATION, GROUP OF SIX ADDITIONAL NEGROES WERE KNEELING ON STEPS PRAYING. WHEN PRAYING FINISHED, THEY WERE ASKED TO LEAVE. THEY REFUSED AND WERE ALSO PLACED UNDER ARREST. ALL TWENTY ONE CHARGED WITH CONGREGATING ON SIDEWALK, DISORDERLY CONDUCT AND FAILURE TO OBEY ORDER OF OFFICER. BOND SET AT TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS FOR EACH PERSON. THE FIFTEEN ARRESTED AT THE LIBRARY CONSISTED OF ONE ADULT MALE, TWO ADULT FEMALES, FIVE JUVENILE MALES, SEVEN JUVENILE FEMALES, ALL NEGROES. THE SIX ARRESTED AT CITY HALL CONSISTED OF QNE ADULT MALE, FIVE ADULT FEMALES ALL NEGROES

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FOLLOWING WHICH THEY AROSE AND SANG.

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MEETING OF NEGROES AT MT. ZION CHURCH, ALBANY
OBSERVED BY BUAGENTS AT PERIODIC INTERVALS DURING NIGHT
OF JULY THIRTY ONE INSTANT. ESTIMATED ATTENDANCE NINE
HUNDRED INSIDE AND OUTSIDE CHURCH. MEETING BROKE UP
ABOUT TEN THIRTY PM AND PEOPLE DISPERSED. NO INCIDENTS
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CONGRESSMAN RYAN OF NEW YORK ADDRESSED GROUP AT CHURCH AND SUBSEQUENTLY VISITED MARTIN LUTHER KING IN ALBANY CITY JAIL.

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against self-incrimination and his right to be represented by counsel, furnished the following information:

first had knowledge of the injunction issued by United States District Judge ROBERT ELLIOTT of the Middle District of Georgia on July 20, 1962, when he read it in the newspaper on or about July 23, 1962.

During that period of time he made no decisions concerning the activity of the Albany Movement. He is not a member of any organization named in the injunction other than the Albany Movement.

He has no personal knowledge of the demonstration conducted on July 21, 1962.

declined to furnish a signed statement.

The following description was obtained during interview:

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after being advised of his right against self-incrimination and his right tobe represented by counsel, furnished the following information:

He had knowledge of the Restraining Order issued by U. S. District Judge ROBERT ELLIOTT on July 20, 1962, at approximately 3:00 p.m. on July 21. 1962.

He is not an officer of the Albany Movement, however, he considers himself a part of this movement. He is not a member of CORE, however, he is a member of the NAACP. He is not a member of the Student Non-violent Coordinating Committee, however, he does assist in earrying out their activities.

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RACIAL MATTERS

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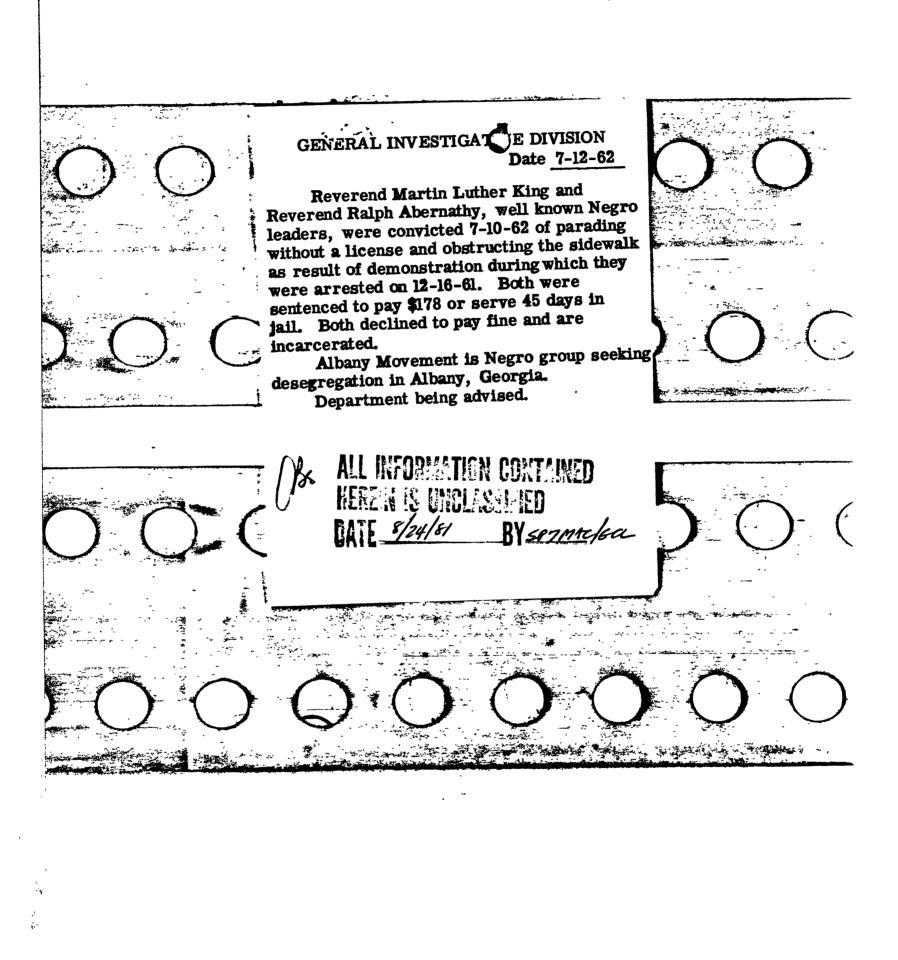
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RACIAL SITUATION ALBANY, GEORGIA RACIAL MATTERS

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Violence occurred at a mass meeting being held at the Shiloh Baptist Church in Albany, Georgia, on the might of July 11, 1962. The meeting was reportedly being held in an effort to/encourage demonstrations protesting the conviction and sentencing on July 10, 1962, of Reverend Martin Luther King and Reverend Ralph Abernathy on charges of parading without a license and obstructing the sidewalks These Megro leaders were incarcerated on sentences of 45 days each after declining to pay fines of \$178. They were arrested on December 16, 1961, in connection with racial demonstrations in Albany.

estimated that 850 Negroes attended the above meeting. Large groups of unidentified Negroes outside of the church reportedly threw stones and bottles at police cruisers. The chief of police addressed the meeting and requested that such activity be discontinued. However, the Hegroes continued to throw objects and refused to withdraw from the area. In order to avoid an open Cash, police cleared the area of all units and efficers: arrests were made.

advised that the meeting was. addressed by Charles Joseph Jones who was described as Field Secretary of the Student Mon-Violent Coordinaties Committee. Jones reportedly told the group that the Attorney General was being telephonically contacted that night and "would have it put to him in a way where he would have to come down and get King and Abernathy out of jail." Epeakers at the meeting allegedly encouraged and promised more demonstrations in the immediate future and it has been reported that a mass meeting is scheduled to be held on the morning of July 12, 1962.

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The above information was orally furnished to Mr. John Murphy of the Civil Rights Division by Special Agent of this Bureau on the morning of July 12, 1962. Pertinent developments in this matter will continue to be brought to the Department's attention.

- 1 The Deputy Attorney General
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Atlanta, Georgia July 25, 1962

RACIAL SITUATION ALBANY, GEORGIA

Chief of Police Laurie Prischetty Alband Department, advised that Martin Luther King, and Transport Abernathy, Wyatt Tee Walker and Inderson, appeared at the City Hall on July 23, 1962, for a conference with Pritchett. King offered to leave Albany, taking his staff with film, if Pritchett and the City Commission would agree to hear the grievances of the Albany Movement leaders, headed by Dr. Anderson. Chief Pritchett declined, stating he was in no position to answer this question in view of pending court action.

advised that on the evening of 1 July 23, 1962, approximately 800 persons attended a mass meeting of the Albany Movement held at the Shiloh Baptist Church.

Police units were removed from the area due to the tense situation. Negro hoodlums were observed in the area drinking and carrying home-made galvanized pipes as weapons, six to eight inches in length.

The main speakers at the meeting were Rev. Ralph Abernathy and Slater King. Abernathy advised the audience that Slater King's wife had been beaten by officers at the Camilla Jail in Mitchell County, Georgia. Slater King, in his speech, denounced the municipal, state and federal governments and stated, "The damnable Federal government has turned their backs on us". He further stated that he was tired of waiting for the rights which were due him and that he was ready to fight. He announced that a mass meeting would be held at the Shiloh Baptist Church at 8:00 PM, July 24, 1962, to celebrate the dismissal of the restraining order which was to be heard before United States Circuit Judge Elbert Tuttle on July 24, 1962.

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After this meeting broke up at approximately 10:00 PM, small groups of Negroes from the meeting milled around in the downtown Albany area. A group of Negroes, led by Vincent Harding, Negro Mennonite minister, stopped in front of the City Hall at 11:05 PM. They left after being requested to do so by the Chief of Police and returned again at 11:20 PM. When they refused to move, they were arrested by the Chief of Police for failure to obey an officer and obstructing a sidewalk.

several carloads of people were planning to leave Albany at 2:00 or 2:30 PM to drive to Camilla, Georgia, to visit the prisoners who were arrested at demonstrations in Albany. He stated some of the visitors had received threats from unidentified sources, warning them not to visit the jail since there were about twenty-five men waiting outside the jail to beat them.

This information was furnished to the city, county and state police authorities.

advised that mass meetings were held at Mt. Zion and Shiloh Churches in Albany on the evening of July 24, 1962. Martin Luther King, Ralph Abernathy and Dr. W. G. Anderson addressed the meetings at both churches. They informed approximately 1600 people at the churches that the city officials would not negotiate and they would have to demonstrate. They urged the gatherings to put on their marching shoes and follow.

According to at approximately 10:30 PM, forty individuals departed the churches and marched to the intersection of Broad and Jackson Streets. Albany.

When they told the Chief of Police they were demonstrating all forty were arrested for parading without a permit and taken to the City Jail. Soon thereafter approximately 3000 to 3500 Negroes converged at the intersection of Oglethorpe and Jackson Streets in Albany. The mob failed to disperse and Chief Pritchett finally dispersed the mob through the use of motorcycles and foot officers, composed of Albany police officers and Georgia State Patrol troopers.

7C 7C 7D As a result of this, one State trooper was hit in the jaw with a rock and one Albany police officer was hit on the foot by flying glass.

WSB-TV, Atlanta, was hit by flying glass from thrown bottles.

advised that while the mob congregated he recognized Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr., Slater King, C. B. King and W. G. Anderson ride by the mob in Anderson's station wagon.

advised that as of 11:20 PM, July 24, 1962, about 200 white people were on the streets and in cars near the jail at Camilla. He stated that he knows that many of the white citizens had guns in their cars

As a result of this, no additional prisoners are being sent to the Camilla Jail, and Georgia State Patrol troopers have been dispatched at periodic intervals to Camilla

The 111th CIC, Fort McPherson, Georgia, has been continually advised of the foregoing.

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August 2, 1962

Director, FBI

BACIAL SITUATION - ATTAINTS KEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED ALBANY, GEORGIA RACIAL MATTERS

At the meeting of approximately 900 persons on the evening of July 31, 1962, at the Mt. Zion Church, Albany, Georgia, Reverend Martin Luther King, Sr., addressed the meeting. He encouraged those present to demand better housing facilities and to start a full economic boycott of all white merchants in Albany.

United States Congressman William Fitts Ryan also addressed this meeting and told the group that he is in support of the Albany Movement. Mr. Hyan stated he was in Albany as a private citizen and not as a representative of the Government. He mentioned that his constituents in New York are sympathetic to the Albany Movement and would probably send persons to Albany to demonstrate. Mr. Ryan promised to report his observations and remarks to the Attorney General.

The above information was furnished to Br. St. John Barrett of She Civil Rights Division on 2 1962 August 1, 1962. Following the meeting at the church, Hr. Byan Svisited Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr., presently confined at City Jail, Albany, for fifty minutes and then talked to members of the press. Mr. Ryan spent the night of July 31, 1962, at the home of Dr. W. G. Anderson, founder of the Albany Movement, SEE MEMOUNGCOWAN TO ROSEN, ABOVE CAPTION,

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This information was later confirmed by of the Office of Special Investigations at Turner Air Force Base.

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On August 1, 1962, about moon, the Student Mon-Violent Coordinating Committee held a meeting at the Shiloh Church in Albany. At appreximately 1:30 P.M., Eastern Standard Time, Mr. James Forman, Megro leader of the Student Mon-Violent Coordinating Committee, and seven Hegro male juveniles left the church and attempted unsuccessfully to obtain lunch at two variety stores and a Howard Johnson Restaurant in Albany.

The group then approached a Holiday Inn Motel, While approaching the metel, a large group of spectators congregated on the sidewalk with press representatives.

A police efficer of the Albany Police Department was present at the metel and told Mr. Forman that his group was creating a disturbance and requested the group to disperse. Members of the group refused and were arrested and charged with disorderly conduct. They were taken to Albany City Jail and bond was set at \$200 each.

A meeting took place at the Kickee Church in Albany on the evening of August 1, 1962, with approximately 1,500 persons in attendance. He incidents occurred and there were no arrests.

The trial concerning the petition for an injunction sought by the City of Albany against various groups and individuals to enjoin demonstrations, which petition is being heard by United States District Judge J. Robert Elliott at Albany, will continue today. Only four witnesses have testified. Approximately twenty witnesses are scheduled to testify.

Since July 11, 1962, until August 1, 1962, inclusive, three hundred and seventy-eight persons have been arrested as a result of demonstrations at Albany.

Additional developments will be promptly furnished to the Department as they occur.

- 1 The Deputy Attorney General
- 1 Mr. Burke Marshall Assistant Attorney General

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UNITED STATES GOV (3 lemoranu... DATE: July 30, 1962 () FROM : C. L. McGowan BY SPIMALGEL SUBJECT: RACIAL SITUATION ALBANY, GEORGIA CRACIAL MATTERS SAC McMahon advised at 4:20 P.W., Daylight Savings Time,

today, that the hearing before U. S. District Judge J. Robert Elliott in U. S. District Court, Middle District of Georgia (being held at Albany, Georgia) concerning the restraining order sought by the City of Albany against Negro demonstrations in the City of Albany commenced at 2:30 P.M., Eastern Standard Time, today.

SAC McMahon mentioned that Judge Elliott had just ruled that the U. S. District Court has jurisdiction in this matter and that to rule otherwise would in effect be ruling that the U. S. Constitution is for the protection of minority groups and not for the protection of majority groups.

Witnesses are now being heard and it does not appear that the court will rule on this question today.

It should be noted that on 7/24/62 U. S. Circuit Court Judge Albert P. Tuttle stayed the restraining order issued by Judge Elliott on 7/20/62 in this matter. pending a full inquiry.

ACTION:

SAC McMahon was instructed to promptly advise the Bureau the results of this hearing.

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UNITED STATES GOVE Memoranaum DATE: July 28, 1962 A. Rose FROM Youkn BY SPIMACKOL RACIAL SITUATION SUBJECT: -ALBANY GEORGIA RACIAL MATTERS - ATLANIA Approximately 150 Negroes gathered at Mt. Zion Church, Albany, Georgia, on 7/27/62 between 12:30 p.m. and 1:00 p.m., Eastern Standard Time (EST). At 2:18 p. m. (EST) Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr., Reverend Ralph Abernathy, Dr. W. G. Anderson, Slater King, and arrived in front of City Hall, Albany. accompanied by five female Negroes 77 The group lined up in single file on the sidewalk directly in front of City Hall parallel with the street. Chief of Police, Laurie Pritchett, started to talk to Reverend King but he indicated Dr. Anderson would be the speaker for the group. Chief Pritchett asked Dr. Anderson their purpose. Dr. Anderson replied they desired to see the City Commission and would remain until they met with Commission. Chief Pritchett invited them into his office but they declined. Reverend King then asked Reverend Abernathy to lead them in prayer which he did. Upon completion of the prayer Chief Pritchett asked them if they were through praying and neither Abernathy or Anderson replied. Chief Pritchett ordered them to disperse or be arrested. Anderson and King stated they would remain. All ten were placed under arrest, charged with disorderly conduct, failure to obey the order of a police officer, and congregating on sidewalk. The above incident was observed in its entirety by Special Agents. 5.4 set at \$200. $E = \frac{13}{13} =$ Bond was set at \$200. During the above incident, Wyatt Tee Walker, assistant to Reverend King distributed typed press release to newsmen viewing the proceedings. A copy was obtained and the release sets forth the complaint of the Albany Mevement

that the City Commission has failed to meet with Negroes on mutual problems.

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Memorandum to Mr. Belmont RE: RACIAL SITUATION

Governor S. Ernest Vandiver of Georgia has personally advised 7/27/62 that he would notify the Atlanta Office prior to and if he intended to send National Guard troops to Albany.

Another group of 21 persons (17 Negro males, 3 Negro females and 1 white male) knelt in front of City Hall. One Negro male read from a prepared sheet charges against the city of Albany. Chief Pritchett told the group to move on because they had ample time to pray and they should go about their business. The group stayed and Chief Pritchett informed them they were under arrest. Actually only 18 were arrested according to a later check of police records.

was lone white man to be arrested.

disorderly conduct, failure to obey a police efficer and obstructing sidewalk. Seven of those arrested had to be carried on stretchers into the police station because they failed to get up off sidewalk.

A group of approximately 700 to 800 persons gathered at Mt. Zion Church on evening of 7/27/62 but dispersed by 9:00 p.m. EST when Wyatt Tee Walker told them there would be no more night demonstrations.

A Bureau car was hit by a thrown brick at 9:40 p.m., 7/27/62. However, no significance was attached to it since car was in line of traffic with other vehicles. No injuries sustained by personnel in the car.

Lawrence Spivak, producer of television show, "Meet the Press." Reverend King was to have been guest on program 7/29/62. Reverend King did not know if he could make this commitment.

Memorandum to Mr. Belmont RE: RACIAL SITUATION

SAC McMahon contacted 7/28/62 and he advised Reverend King and his group are still in jail but scene at Albany is quiet.

ACTION

Civil Rights Division of Department has been kept currently advised of developments and a membrandum is being prepared for the Attorney General.

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