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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-6-4)
SACs, MOBILE (44-439)
DALLAS (100-9990)

FROM: SAC, SAN ANTONIO (157-237) (RUC)

SUBJECT: 0 Matters
RACIAL SITUATION
MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA

OO: Mobile

Re Mobile airtel to the Director dated 6/11/63, and Dallas airtel to Director et al dated 6/25/63.

[REDACTED] Texas, on 7/2/63, furnished the following information to SA [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Her identity should be protected, however, in any reports going outside the FBI.)

[REDACTED] has not been in either Atlanta or Montgomery, Alabama, at any time in the recent past, and neither does she know the identity of any persons who have been in the State of Alabama doing organizational work with regard to racial matters. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] She has never known a white female who was a student of Bishop College, Dallas, Texas, and the only

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student of that college who was interested enough to accept literature of [REDACTED] was one [REDACTED] colored, male. He was not active but had expressed some interest in the racial movement. She had never known anyone by the name [REDACTED]

In view of the above, it is not felt a photograph of [REDACTED] would be of any benefit to Mobile however if Mobile desires such a photograph they should request the Dallas Office to secure a photograph [REDACTED]

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AT DALLAS, TEXAS

o [REDACTED] Will determine the present address and whereabouts of [REDACTED] who graduated from Bishop College June 1963, and determine whether he could be identical with one of the three colored males referred to in referenced airtels.

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The Attorney General

July 9, 1963

Director, FBI

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On matters - note
RACIAL SITUATION
STATE OF ALABAMA

[REDACTED] in Gadsden, Alabama, advised on July 8, 1963, that no demonstrations were conducted on that date. However, on July 9, 1963, CORE plans to send a group of Negroes to Attalla, Alabama, to canvass for voter registration. [REDACTED] said that he would furnish additional details concerning this planned canvass.

A motion was reportedly filed on July 5, 1963, in U. S. District Court, Birmingham, Alabama, to have the hearings involving more than 200 Negro demonstrators arrested on July 2, 1963, moved to U. S. District Court. Local court action is being held in abeyance until the Federal court acts.

A mass meeting regarding voter registration was held at the Tabernacle Baptist Church in Selma, Alabama, on the evening of July 8, 1963. The principal speaker was Solomon Seay, Jr., an attorney from Montgomery, Alabama. The local integration leaders expected a capacity crowd of 800 persons and distributed 15,000 handbills among Negroes in Dallas County, Alabama. The estimated attendance at the meeting was 300 Negroes of which 8 per cent were teenagers.

The main theme of the meeting was to be voter registration; however, the boycott of local stores was also discussed. The main speaker, Solomon Seay, Jr., was said to be ineffective and the crowd allegedly was not impressed. The Negroes dispersed immediately after the meeting and there were no incidents reported.

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TO DIRECTOR FBI /157-6-61/

FROM SAC MOBILE /157-367/ 1P

cas RACIAL SITUATION, STATE OF ALABAMA, SELMA, ALABAMA.
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MASS MEETING REGARDING VOTE REGISTRATION SCHEDULED TONIGHT,
SEVEN THIRTY P. M. AT TABERNACLE BAPTIST CHURCH, BROAD STREET,
SELMA. PRINCIPAL SPEAKER, SOLOMON SEAY, JR., ATTORNEY, MONT-
GOMERY, ALABAMA. LOCAL INTEGRATION LEADERS EXPECT CAPACITY
CROWD OF EIGHT HUNDRED. FIFTEEN THOUSAND HANDBILLS CIRCULATED
AMONG NEGROES, DALLAS COUNTY, ALABAMA. LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT
AND MILITARY AUTHORITIES NOTIFIED. [REDACTED]

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TO DIRECTOR FBI /157-6-61/
FROM SAC, MOBILE /157-367/ 1 P

RACIAL SITUATION, STATE OF ALABAMA, SELMA, ALABAMA. RM.
REMOTEL TODAY.

VOTE REGISTRATION MEETING AT BAPTIST TABERNACLE CHURCH
SELMA TERMINATED TEN P. M. CST.

ESTIMATED ATTENDENCE THREE HUNDRED NEGROES COMPRISED OF
EIGHT PER CENT TEEN AGERS. MAIN THEME OF MEETING DEPARTED FROM
VOTE REGISTRATION AND BOYCOTT OF LOCAL STORES DISCUSSED.

MAIN SPEAKER SOLOMON SEAY JR. APPEARED INEFFECTIVE. CROWD
WAS NOT IMPRESSED AND NEGROES IMMEDIATELY DISPERSED AFTER MEETING.

NO RACIAL INCIDENTS OCCURRED.

DETAILED DISSEMINATION MEMO FOLLOWS.

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TO DIRECTOR FBI AND SAC, MIAMI

FROM SAC, MOBILE 1 P *Special Matters - Mobile*

[REDACTED] MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION CONCERNING.

REMMTEL THIS DATE.

[REDACTED] ADVISED THIS DATE OF INFORMATION CONCERNING [REDACTED] AS FURNISHED BY [REDACTED] [REDACTED] STATED RECEIVED SIMILAR INFORMATION FROM [REDACTED] SEVERAL MONTHS AGO AND AFTER THROUGH INVESTIGATION DECIDED ALLEGATIONS OF [REDACTED] UNFOUNDED. STATES INVESTIGATION INDICATES [REDACTED] MENTALLY UNBALANCED. SINCE INFO ALREADY RECEIVED AND INVESTIGATED BY ALABAMA AUTHORITIES NO FURTHER ACTION BEING TAKEN BY THIS OFFICE.

[REDACTED] ADVISED HE WOULD NOTIFY GOVERNOR WALLACE AS GOV. WAS UNAVAILABLE TODAY.

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FROM : SAC, MOBILE (157-367)(P)
SUBJECT: RACIAL SITUATION
STATE OF ALABAMA
SELMA, ALABAMA
RM

Transmitted herewith are eight copies of letterhead memorandum concerning voter registration meeting held in Selma, Alabama, night of 7/1/63.

Military intelligence agencies advised locally.

- ③ - Bureau (Enc. (RM))
- 1 - Mobile
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ENCLOSURE

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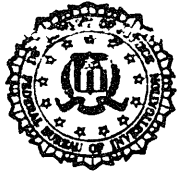
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
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Mobile, Alabama
July 2, 1963

RACIAL SITUATION
STATE OF ALABAMA
SELMA, ALABAMA

On July 1, 1963, [REDACTED]
Selma, Alabama, advised that this date is a regular registration
day for voter registration at Selma, Alabama. He stated that
during the day no Negroes have appeared at the Board to apply
for voting. He pointed out that no action has been taken by
[REDACTED] to exclude any Negro from the court house
or any Negro from appearing to register. He stated that he
cannot understand why no Negroes were present except they have
apparently lost interest in registering.

[REDACTED]
He stated that he has
a notice [REDACTED] which reads that a mass meeting for
voter registration will be held for the Negroes at the First
Baptist Church, corner of Jeff Davis Avenue and Sylvan Street,
Selma, Alabama, on instant date, at 7:00 p.m. The principal
speaker will be Mrs. LOIS L. REEVES, who is identified as
Director of YMCA and YWCA at Tuskegee Institute, Tuskegee,
Alabama.

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On July 1, 1963, [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Selma, Alabama, advised that the
mass meeting was scheduled for 8:00 p.m. Mrs. REEVES from
Tuskegee, Alabama would be the principal speaker. They ex-
pected from 500 to 600 Negroes to appear at the meeting.
She stated they planned no demonstrations in Selma other
than to discuss going to the court house to register to vote
on regular registration days.

RACIAL SITUATION
SELMA, ALABAMA

On July 2, 1963, [REDACTED] advised that it was claimed by Negro leaders in Selma that 900 Negroes appeared at the mass meeting on the night of July 1, 1963, however, this was a gross exaggeration. He stated that he had counted the Negroes present, and there were only 525 to 550 Negroes present. The meeting started at 8:00 p.m., and lasted until 11:00 p.m., with no incidents occurring; and it was very quiet. Mrs. LOIS REEVES was the principal speaker, and she called upon all Negroes to have prayer in their homes at 6:00 a.m. in the morning, every morning, to overcome their fear of making applications to vote. She expressed the idea that they lived in a wonderful age and ten years from the present, the meetings that were being held in the Selma area would be a legend. She pointed out that freedom was not cheap, and they had to fight for it, stating that social change was sweeping the country with hurricane force. She also pointed out that the President of the United States had made a strong statement for freedom. She further advised that the Negro people were not allowing themselves to be bought in the "new world", and they were taking steps to obtain their freedom.

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She pointed out that anything that was worth living for was worth dying for, and some of them would be called upon to pay the supreme penalty. She also stated that Negroes should stop thinking about themselves in comparison to the white race, and they should think of themselves as the same and the equal to the white race.

A young Negro named GILBERT FORTUNE, age 13, made the statement at the meeting "I have not registered to vote because of my age. What's your excuse?"

Reverend L. L. ANDERSON of the Baptist Tabernacle Church, Broad Street, Selma, made a financial appeal and stated that the Negro should no longer be a beggar or a coward, and he had to fight and pay his own way.

AMELIA BOYNTON spoke at the meeting and said that anybody who is intelligent enough to be a reporter for a newspaper should be intelligent enough to respect the Negroes and call them by their title of Mr. or Mrs. No mention was

RACIAL SITUATION
SELMA, ALABAMA

made at the meeting of the absence of Negro registrants not appearing at the Registration Board on July 1, 1963. The whole theme of the meeting was concerning voter registration and no other type demonstrations were called for.

Coverage was afforded the meeting by the Sheriff and his Chief Deputy, who occupied one car outside of the church, and three Deputies were stationed on the inside of the church.

One police car was utilized in patrolling the area to avoid any type of incidents in the area of the church.

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The Attorney General

July 10, 1963

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 RACIAL SITUATION
 STATE OF ALABAMA

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No demonstrations were reported in Gadsden, Alabama, on July 9, 1963.

[REDACTED] the Congress of Racial Equality (CORE), advised that no demonstrations are planned and that they are concentrating on canvassing for prospective Negro voters.

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At least eight stores in Birmingham have reportedly agreed to desegregate their lunch counters. This will probably take place between July 17 and July 25, 1963.

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July 13, 1963

Director, FBI

RACIAL/SITUATION
STATE OF ALABAMA

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It was reported on July 12, 1963, that the United States Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals at New Orleans, Louisiana, issued a ruling ordering the City of Birmingham to begin school desegregation in September, 1963, and set a deadline of August 19, 1963, for officials of the city to offer a program for desegregation.

Beverend Martin Luther King, Jr., reportedly advised news representatives on July 12, 1963, that demonstrations will be resumed at Gadsden, Alabama, on Monday, July 15, 1963. Other sources have also stated that mass racial demonstrations will begin again at Gadsden, Alabama, on July 15, 1963.

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Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (157-6-4)

DATE: 7/11/63

FROM : SAC, MOBILE (44-439)

Date Forw. 7/22/63

SUBJECT: RACIAL/SITUATION
MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA

How Forw.

By

Re Mobile airtel to Bureau with letterhead memorandum, 6/19/63; and Dallas airtel to Bureau, 6/25/63; and San Antonio airtel to Bureau, 7/3/63.

Enclosed are copies of letterhead memorandum pertaining to efforts of four unidentified persons to organize a chapter of the Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee at Montgomery, Ala. in June, 1963.

Copies are disseminated locally under separate cover to armed service intelligence agencies.

Information furnished to [redacted] Montgomery PD. [redacted] stated that the unfavorable reception given these organizers at Alabama State College was no surprise to him. He said that it was his understanding that the faculty and students at Alabama State College are taking a very moderate view toward desegregation matters and generally do not approve of the public demonstration tactics used by the SNCC. It is pointed out that the summer school session has ended in Negro schools, both grade schools and high schools for the summer of 1963 so that no organizing effort could be conducted in Montgomery among high school and grade school students until the school begins in the fall of 1963. At that time [redacted] will be alerted and other sources of the Mobile Office pertaining to matters of this kind will be alerted to the possible organizing efforts of the SNCC in Montgomery at that time. Any further developments will be promptly reported in suitable fashion.

Dallas and San Antonio discontinue efforts to identify the white female SNCC organizer.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Mobile, Alabama
July 11, 1963

RACIAL SITUATION
MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA

[REDACTED] Montgomery,
Alabama, advised July 9, 1963

[REDACTED] on that date that the four persons,
including three Negro males and one white female, who came
to Montgomery in early June, 1963, for the purpose of
organizing an active chapter there of the Student Non-Violent
Coordinating Committee, are no longer in Montgomery. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] was unable to ascertain the identities of
these persons but was able to ascertain that they stayed in
Montgomery for a few days, but were unable to stimulate
any interest in their organizational activities among the
students at Alabama State College for Negroes in Montgomery.

[REDACTED]
that these four persons planned to return to Montgomery at
an unspecified later date and at that time, they will concen-
trate their organizing attentions on students in Negro high
schools and Negro grade schools in Montgomery. [REDACTED]
expects to be notified when and if these persons do return
to Montgomery for this purpose.

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RACIAL SITUATION
STATE OF ALABAMA

Racial matters - mobile

The following information relating to the racial situation in Alabama has been furnished to the Civil Rights Division.

On July 13, 1963 [redacted]

[redacted] Gadsden, Alabama, advised the proposed demonstrations to be held on July 15, 1963, have been postponed until July 18, 1963.

He informed a Negro negotiating team will meet with an unofficial team of white businessmen in an attempt to reach some agreement regarding desegregation and discrimination practices.

[redacted] contemplates meeting with this team on the night of July 17, 1963, to determine if any progress has been made.

On the evening of July 14, 1963 [redacted]

[redacted] Gadsden, advised Alabama State Troopers were patrolling the streets and claimed they have "shaken down" a few cars. [redacted] said the presence of the Alabama State Troopers is intimidating to the Negroes and the Negroes "will not stand for it much longer." He said he realized the FBI could not stop the patrolling of the streets; however, he was going to call Colonel Al Lingo, Director of Alabama Department of Public Safety, or someone else in charge at Montgomery in an effort to have the patrolling of the streets stopped. [redacted] also said he may call Mr. David H. Marlin, Departmental Attorney, in Selma, Alabama.

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URGENT 7-12-63 12-47 PM CST TEK

TO DIRECTOR, FBI AND SAC, BIRMINGHAM /157-280/

FROM SAC, MOBILE /157-380/ 1 P *Racial matters*

DEMONSTRATIONS BY CONGRESS OF RACIAL EQUALITY, BEGINNING
JUNE TEN, SIXTYTHREE AT GADSDEN, ALA. RM. BIRMINGHAM ORIGIN.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] MONTGOMERY, ADVISED [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] TODAY THAT MASS RACIAL DEMONSTRATIONS
WOULD BEGIN AGAIN AT GADSDEN, ALA., ON MONDAY, JULY FIFTEEN,
SIXTYTHREE. NO ADDITIONAL DETAILS FURNISHED.

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dob URGENT 7/12/63 5-30 PM CST
TO DIRECTOR, FBI AND SAC, BIRMINGHAM
FROM SAC, MOBILE /157-380/

DEMONSTRATIONS BY CORE, GADSDEN, ALABAMA BEGINNING JUNE TEN.
LAST. RM. *0 Racial matters*
RE MOBILE TELETYPE, JULY TWELVE, INSTANT.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-6-61)
FROM: SAC, MOBILE (157-367)(P)
RE: RACIAL MATTERS
STATE OF ALABAMA
SELMA, ALABAMA
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Transmitted herewith are eight (8) copies of a dissemination memo which concerns a vote registration rally that was held on the night of July 8, 1963 at Selma, Ala.

Local law enforcement officers and military authorities at Craig Air Force Base were advised on July 8, 1963 of the meeting.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Mobile, Alabama
July 9, 1963

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

RACIAL SITUATION
STATE OF ALABAMA
SELMA, ALABAMA

On July 8, 1963 [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] advised that a meeting was scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on that night of July 8, 1963. The meeting was to be held at the Baptist Tabernacle Church, Broad Street at Minter Avenue, Selma, Alabama. SOLOMON SEAY, JR., Attorney, Montgomery, Alabama, was to be the principal speaker and a capacity crowd of 800 Negroes was expected. The purpose of the meeting was vote registration and to rally the Negroes to go to the Courthouse to register to vote. No other type of activity is planned at this time, such as sit-ins or marches in Selma, but these rallies were to arouse interest among the Negroes to register to vote.

[REDACTED] further advised that a white Catholic Priest, Father MAURICE OULETTE, Fathers of St. Edmund, missionary priest among Negroes with headquarters at Selma, Alabama, had attended the rally which was held last week on July 1, 1963 and he, [REDACTED] had heard a rumor to the effect that if Father OULETTE attended another meeting he would be arrested. [REDACTED] made the statement "Father OULETTE is considered a leader among the young Negroes in Selma and if he is arrested, I won't be able to control the Negroes".

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On July 8, 1963 [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Alabama, advised that he was aware of the vote registration rally [REDACTED]

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SELMA, ALABAMA

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On July 9, 1963

[REDACTED] advised that

[REDACTED] Baptist Tabernacle Church on the night of July 8, 1963 and had made notes on the progress of the meeting. [REDACTED] stated these notes contained the following information:

~~DOUGLAS L. POPE~~, Negro male from Beloit, Alabama, was the leader of the meeting and he opened the meeting speaking on vote registration and appealing to Negroes to go to the Courthouse and register to vote. An eleven or twelve year old Negro girl, who was not identified, also made a talk, which appeared to have been memorized prior to the meeting, and this talk appealed to the Negroes to regard themselves as persons who were as good as the white man and not subservient to him.

A Negro male, ~~HENRY SHANNON~~, spoke on the fact that he was a veteran of the war, that he fought for Alabama and Dallas County, Alabama, and he was not satisfied with the situation in Selma. He stated that Negroes deserve jobs at the Courthouse and deserve to be on the payroll where their salaries would be paid by the taxpayer.

Father ~~OULETTE~~, previously identified, spoke briefly on the fact that Negroes were human beings with the same souls as any other human being.

~~MARIE FOSTER~~, Negro female, also spoke and made a statement to the effect that Negro mothers should smother their infants so that they would not grow up as "slaves"

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SELMA, ALABAMA

and that the Negroes were not being represented in Washington, D.C. JAMES AUSTIN, Negro male, who was identified as being originally from Selma but was presently living in Talladega, Alabama, made a statement to the effect that Negroes in Selma were not able to go downtown and be treated equally and that when they did appear downtown they were beaten. He stated that the Negroes had the power to boycott stores in Selma if they desired. AUSTIN specifically mentioned Carter's Drugstore in Selma which is the Walgreen Agency, stating that Mr. CARTER only served whites at the lunch counter, however, was glad to take the Negroes' money for purchasing any other article in the store.

SOLOMON SEAY, JR., the principal speaker, made a fifteen minute talk which was prepared and he read from notes. This talk centered around the fact the Negroes must register to vote and they must trust in God to obtain their freedom. The whole talk appeared to be completely ineffective.

Reverend L. L. ~~ANDERSON~~ ^{11/11} ANDERSON, Pastor of the Baptist Tabernacle Church, pointed out Father OULETTE in the audience and stated that the priest was a man of great courage in appearing at the meeting. ANDERSON made a statement on the Negroes' potential for boycotting stores in Selma, Alabama, and stated that they have the power to close up every store in Selma. He further pointed out that the Negro could "whip" the white man because the Negro could love better than the white man. Reverend LAFAYETTE then made a talk in which he made reference to the killing of MEDGAR EVERS, NAACP leader in Jackson, Mississippi, and he compared himself to EVERS, stating that on the same night that EVERS was killed, he was beaten in Selma, Alabama. He stated he also went to jail in Selma and that he was not afraid to go to jail. He made a statement that his group (Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee) would be all over Alabama before the summer was over. He said that Sheriff JAMES G. CLARK, JR. of Dallas County, Alabama, and Governor GEORGE WALLACE of Alabama did not want the Negro to be free, specifically CLARK. He made a statement to the persons in the audience that they didn't need those long knives and they could throw them in the river, that they had the truth to protect them. He made reference to

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a Negro who was killed by a law enforcement officer in Selma and was brought in draped across the hood of a car like a deer that had been killed. (This statement was in reference to the killing of a Negro by ARTHUR SAMPLE, formerly a Selma Police Department Officer who is now deceased, which incident occurred 25 to 30 years ago.)

At the end of the meeting, the congregation stood up, sang and did a snake dance around the inside of the church. The meeting terminated at 10:00 p.m.

The crowd was estimated at approximately 300 Negroes, 75 to 80 percent teenagers who were not of voting age.

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The Attorney General

July 16, 1963

Director, FBI

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RACIAL SITUATION
STATE OF ALABAMA

Mobile

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

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[REDACTED]

Gadsden, Alabama, advised that demonstrations previously scheduled for July 15, 1963, would not be held. He added that local merchants will be given until 7:30 p.m., July 17, 1963, to desegregate and if the merchants do not comply, demonstrations will be resumed on July 18, 1963. [REDACTED] said that he and others resent the presence of State troopers, who continue to patrol the streets in Gadsden, and he plans to complain to Colonel Al Lingo, who is presently in Gadsden supervising the State Police.

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[REDACTED] Gadsden, advised on the evening of July 15, 1963, that in her opinion the situation in Gadsden was tense and she was afraid that there might be a flare-up among the Negroes because of the presence of the Alabama Highway Patrol. She asked that the FBI have "Washington send Federal troops." She was again advised of the nature of FBI jurisdiction in these matters.

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A voter registration rally was held at Selma, Alabama, on July 15, 1963. John Lewis, National Chairman,

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The Attorney General

SNCC, spoke briefly and said that he was on emergency call to Cambridge, Maryland. Mr. Lewis did not explain the significance of this statement. The meeting was attended by approximately 500 Negroes. No incidents occurred.

The above information has been telephonically furnished to the Civil Rights Division.

1 - The Deputy Attorney General

1 - Mr. Burke Marshall
Assistant Attorney General

FBI

Date: 7/11/63

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Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL
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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (157-6-61)
FROM : SAC, MOBILE (157-367)(P)
SUBJECT: RACIAL SITUATION
STATE OF ALABAMA
SELMA, ALABAMA

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Transmitted herewith are eight (8) copies of a letterhead memorandum which concerns information furnished the Selma RA from July 8 through 10, 1963, by [redacted]

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[redacted] Selma, Alabama.

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Approved: 60 JUL 25 1963 Special Agent in Charge

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July 11, 1963

RACIAL SITUATION
STATE OF ALABAMA
SELMA, ALABAMA

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On July 8 through 10, 1963, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Selma, Alabama, furnished the following information concerning incidents that he felt should be reported to the FBI at Selma, Alabama, however, he did not know if these incidents were related to voter registration activity in the Selma, Alabama area and Dallas County, Alabama, but he suspected they might possibly be:

On July 5, 1963, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Alabama, who has been active in voter registration activity among the Negroes in [REDACTED] lost his job at [REDACTED] Selma, Alabama, July 5, 1963. [REDACTED] was presented with a dismissal slip on July 5 by Manager [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] explained that a shift change was made at the plant, and [REDACTED] would no longer be needed. There was no mention made to [REDACTED] that he had lost his job because of his activities in voter registration, although [REDACTED] name had appeared in the local newspaper, Selma Times Journal, about two weeks prior to the time he was dismissed from his job, and in the article containing [REDACTED] name, it identified him with voter registration activities.

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On July 5, 1963, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] age [REDACTED] who was distributing leaflets in Selma relative to voter registration rally to be held on the night of July 8, 1963, was stopped in the downtown section of Selma by a motorcycle policeman operating cycle number 66. [REDACTED] was taken to the Selma Police Department and cited for careless driving; however, he was not fined or booked, and was immediately released after being given the citation. [REDACTED] stated that the leaflets [REDACTED] was passing out were not

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seized, and he stated he only wanted to report this incident as a possible harassment tactic by the Police Department; however, they did not question [redacted] in any way about his voter registration activity.

On July 10, 1964, [redacted] who has been active [redacted] in voter registration activity, was at his home on [redacted] in Selma, sitting on his front porch. Two white men came to [redacted] home, and one of them was [redacted] who owns [redacted] at Selma, Alabama. [redacted] previously was employed by the [redacted] for several years; however, according to [redacted] had quit his job with this company over a year ago of his own volition. [redacted] was requested to come back to work and he refused. [redacted] said that nothing took place that might indicate this incident had anything to do with voter registration activity; however, he desired to report it.

It should be noted that [redacted] previously reported that he had lost his job at [redacted] in [redacted] because of his voter registration activity. For information, it is pointed out that [redacted] was employed by [redacted] for a number of years.

[redacted] left the employ [redacted] to take a job with [redacted]. He was employed with [redacted] for approximately one year, until his separation from that employment in [redacted].

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- Mr. Mohr
- Mr. Casper
- Mr. Callahan
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- Miss Holmes
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DEFERRED 7-15-63 11-03 PM CST VFP

TO DIRECTOR, FBI /157-6-61/
FROM SAC, MOBILE /157-367/

RACIAL SITUATION, STATE OF ALABAMA, SELMA, ALABAMA. RM,
REMOTEL TODAY.

VOTER REGISTRATION RALLY TERMINATED AT TEN FIFTEEN P. M.
CST, TONIGHT. PRINCIPAL SPEAKER JOHN K. LEWIS, NATL CHAIRMAN
SNCC SPOKE FOR ONLY FIVE MIN. STATING HE WAS ON EMERGENCY Ala
CALL TO CAMBRIDGE, MD. DID NOT SPECIFY EMERGENCY. FATHER
MAURICE OULETTE, PASTOR, ST. ELIZBETH- S MISSION A NEGROE CATHOLIC
CHURCH IN SELMA WAS ALTERNATE MAIN SPEAKER AND SPOKE ON FAIR Ala
EMPLOYMENT PRACTICE, VOTE REGISTRATION AND OTHER GENERAL RACIAL
ISSUES. CROWD ESTIMATED AT FIVE HUNDRED NEGROES.

NO INCIDENTS OCCURRED AND NEGROES DISPERSED TO HOME IMMEDIATELY
AFTER MEETING. EX-114

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DA John A. [redacted]

advised 11:00 p.m. 7/15

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URGENT 7-15-63 5-59 PM CST VFP

TO DIRECTOR FBI /157-6-61/
FROM SAC, MOBILE /157-367/

RACIAL SITUATION, STATE OF ALABAMA, SELMA, ALA.

VOTER REGISTRATION RALLY SCHEDULED FOR SEVEN THIRTY

P. M., CST, TONIGHT AT BROWN CHAPEL, AME CHURCH, SELMA, ALA.

PRINCIPAL SPEAKER IDENTIFIED AS JOHN R. LEWIS, NEW NATIONAL

CHAIRMAN STUDENT NON VIOLENT COORDINATING COMMITTEE. CAPACITY

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CROWD EXPECTED OF FOUR HUNDRED TO FIVE HUNDRED NEGROES.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ DATE: 7/17/63

FROM : SAC, MOBILE (157-379)(RUC)

SUBJECT: RACIAL SITUATION
SAVANNAH, GEORGIA
(ATTEMPTED INTEGRATION
OF RESTAURANTS)
RM

Re Mobile airtel to Bureau, 6/19/63.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] was recontacted re captioned matter 7/12/63 and on 7/9/63. [REDACTED] stated that he was unable to develop any additional specific information relating to captioned matter, but stated that he did learn early in July, 1963 from [REDACTED] that a group of Negro demonstration trainees trained at McIntosh, Georgia, did take part in the demonstrations at Savannah. He was unable to furnish specific data relating to this matter, and said that he did not understand that any of those individuals were from Alabama.

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[REDACTED] Recontacts with [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] on 7/12/63, failed to develop any additional data relating to captioned matter.

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No additional inquiries contemplated in immediate future by Mobile Division.

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- 2 - Savannah (157-32)(RM)
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-6-~~7~~)

FROM: SAC, MOBILE (44-439)

SUBJECT: RACIAL SITUATION
MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA
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Transmitted herewith as enclosures for the Bureau are 8 copies of a letterhead memorandum relating to captioned matter.

The Bureau will be kept informed of all further developments.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Mobile, Alabama
July 17, 1963

RACIAL SITUATION
MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA

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According to an article appearing on page 17, Montgomery Advertiser, July 17, 1963, Reverend SOLOMON S. SEAY, SR. and Reverend W.J. POWELL, Montgomery Negro ministers, appeared before the Montgomery Commission July 16, 1963 and asked for a positive program designed to resolve racial problems and differences on the local levels. Both made it plain to the City Commissioners that they favor negotiation, not demonstrations as a means of achieving Negro goals in the local area. However, they warned in a petition presented to the Commission which was signed by 42 persons, that Montgomery Negroes are "becoming increasingly weary" of what they feel is "inactivity in the face of active efforts of other communities for progress".

The petition urged the Commission to form a biracial committee and reopen public parks closed in Montgomery since January 1, 1959.

The two ministers claimed to have made a similar plea to the Commission 3 months previously and they charge that it was never acknowledged.

The article quoted as follows from the petition:

"As citizens of Montgomery, we have the same urges for social reforms that are expressed in other communities in a more desperate manner than the methods we are now trying to pursue.

"While the world is in turmoil over civil rights issues, we in Montgomery have been waiting hopefully for the authorities to come up with a plan for progress in this area and the area of race relations.

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MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA**

"Our silence is no indication that we are resigned to contentment with the inequalities that continue to exist. It is our belief that the present climate in Montgomery is conducive to an understanding and peaceful approach to the solution of community grievances.

"We, therefore, call upon you again to give a plan for progress by appointing a committee made up of both races with the responsibility of giving immediate direction toward solution of now existing problems. There can be no plans for the colored community in which there is no colored leadership representation.

"We urge that no further time be lost through lack of action on this matter. We hereby request an audience with the Board of Commissioners at the earliest possible date. May we be advised of the time, date, and place.

"Ultimately it shall be the responsibility of every local community to determine the solution to the racial problems that are now troubling the soul of America and affecting every locality.

"Like millions of other Americans of all races, we believe that the American dream is an idea that has come to the time of this fruition and that it is our duty as well as an opportunity to make every effort toward the fulfillment of this dream at this moment in our history."

Prior to departing, SEAY made reference to the petition and stated "that expresses all we want to say at this time".

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TO : Director, FBI (157-6-61)
FROM : SAC, Mobile (157-367)(P)
SUBJECT: *Matters*
RACIAL SITUATION
STATE OF ALABAMA
SELMA, ALABAMA
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Transmitted herewith are eight copies of letterhead memo for the Bureau and one copy for the Birmingham Office for information purposes in view of the appearance of MARTIN RICH, Negro male from Gadsden, Ala., at the meeting for voter registration in Selma on 7/15/63.

Local armed service intelligence agencies have been advised.

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Mobile, Alabama
July 16, 1963

RACIAL SITUATION
STATE OF ALABAMA
SELMA, ALABAMA

On July 13 and 15, 1963

[REDACTED] advised that a voter registration rally would be held at Brown Chapel AME Church on the night of July 15, 1963 at 7:30 p.m. The principal speaker would be John R. Lewis, newly appointed National Chairman of the SNCC. A capacity crowd of about 500 Negroes was expected.

[REDACTED]

At 10:30 p.m., CST, July 15, 1963 [REDACTED] reported that the voter registration rally had terminated at 10:15 p.m., CST. The meeting was orderly, no incidents occurred, and immediately after the meeting the Negroes dispersed to their homes. Estimated attendance was about 525 Negroes and about 70 per cent of the group was comprised of teenagers.

On July 16, 1963 [REDACTED] advised he was on the scene at Brown Chapel AME Church on Sylvan Street, Selma, during the voter registration rally which lasted from about 7:30 p.m.

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SELMA, ALABAMA

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Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee
until 10:15 p.m., CST, on the night of July 15, 1963.

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John R. Lewis, Negro male, age 25, who was identified as National Chairman of the SNCC, was supposed to deliver the main address; however, he spoke for only a period of five to ten minutes, advising the crowd he was on an emergency call to Cambridge, Maryland and could not speak very long. Martin Rich, Negro male, age 17, who was identified as being a Field Secretary of SNCC at Gadsden, Alabama, gave a "fiery" speech and talked about Negroes in Gadsden, Alabama, arming themselves with weapons to protect themselves; that they had to do this in order to protect their homes and their rights. The inference that Rich appeared to be making, although he did not specifically advise the Negroes to do so, was that situations sometimes called for a "call to arms." He was very critical of Al Ling, Director of the Alabama Department of Public Safety, for the way he handled the Gadsden demonstrations. This talk was greeted by cheers and loud applause from the crowd at the church.

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Father Maurice Oulette, Pastor, St. Elizabeth's Mission, Broad Street, Selma, a Negro Catholic Church, delivered about a 20 minute speech in which he criticized the talk about guns, knives, and other weapons and stressed the need for non-violence in the movement. He praised Bernard Lafayette, Jr., for his crusade in Selma and stated he was "making the fight alone." He also spoke briefly of fair employment rights for Negroes and the potential the Negro has in boycott situations; however, the boycott was not urged at this meeting. The main theme of the meetings still center around registration to vote and no other type of demonstrations were urged at this time.

Also present at the meeting was Father Charles McNeece, Assistant Pastor of St. Elizabeth's. He did not speak, but was present in the audience. Both Catholic priests are white.

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[redacted] further stated he learned that a number of meetings have been held at a Negro youth center which is located near the Negro Catholic Church and that these meetings were attended by groups of Negro teenagers. These meetings were led by older Negroes in Selma and groups of older Negroes have been attending meetings at the

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SELMA, ALABAMA

home of Reverend Isaac Acoff, Pastor of the Morningstar Negro Baptist Church in Selma, 2020 First Avenue. [REDACTED] stated he does not know at this time the purpose of these meetings. (file)

On July 16, 1963 [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

He stated that Negro leaders had been afraid in Selma to take an active part in voter registration activities as they have been extremely reluctant to have their names identified for fear of economic reprisals. He advised that the meetings of the teenagers at the youth center were for the purpose of training various Negro youths to go into homes to counsel Negroes on voter registration, such as how to fill out applications, etc. He advised the meetings at Reverend Acoff's house were for the same purpose. He advised that the meetings of the youth at the youth center have been disbanded at the present time as Reverend Lafayette states at this time these meetings have served their purpose.

[REDACTED] stated he is attempting at the present time to establish communication between white and Negro leaders in Selma and feels at the present time that the Negro leaders are beginning to realize their responsibility and assume an active role in voter registration activity. He further advised that voter registration rallies are scheduled on a regular weekly basis and from now on there will be a more active role played by local Negro leaders than in the past meetings.

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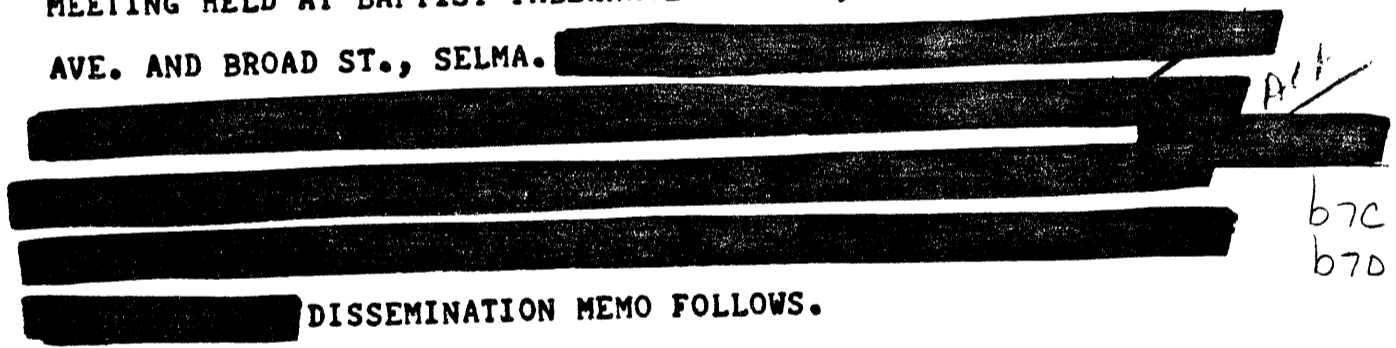
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VOTER REGISTRATION RALLY TERMINATED AT ABOUT ELEVEN PM
CST, JULY TWENTYTWO, SIXTYTHREE. CROWD ESTIMATED AT THREE
HUNDRED FIFTY NEGROES, SEVENTY TO EIGHTY PERCENT TEENAGERS.
MEETING HELD AT BAPTIST TABERNACLE CHURCH, CORNER OF MINTER
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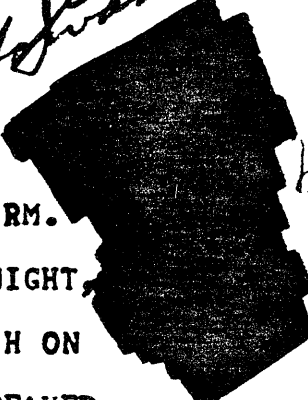
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MASS VOTER REGISTRATION MEETING SCHEDULED FOR TONIGHT, SEVEN THIRTY P.M., FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, A NEGRO CHURCH ON THE CORNER OF SYLVAN AND JEFF DAVIS AVE. PRINCIPAL SPEAKER IDENTIFIED AS ATTORNEY BRUCE BOYNTON, SON OF AMELIA P. BOYNTON, WHO IS ACTIVE IN VOTER REGISTRATION ACTIVITY, SELMA, ALA. BRUCE BOYNTON PRACTICING ATTORNEY IN CHATTANOOGA, TENN. CAPACITY CROWD EXPECTED. LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AUTHORITIES AND MILITARY AUTHORITIES ADVISED.

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FROM: SAC, MOBILE (157-367)(P)
SUBJECT: RACIAL SITUATION
STATE OF ALABAMA
SELMA, ALABAMA
RM.

Transmitted herewith are eight copies of letterhead memo for the Bureau which concerns information furnished the Selma Resident Agency on 7/23/63.

Local armed service intelligence agencies have been advised.

- ③ - Bureau (Encs. 8)(RM)
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Agency G-2, ONI, OSI, CRD
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Mobile, Alabama
July 23, 1963

RACIAL SITUATION
STATE OF ALABAMA
SELMA, ALABAMA

On July 23, 1963, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Selma, Alabama, advised that the voter registration rally was held at the Baptist Tabernacle Church on the evening of July 22, 1963, from about 8 p.m. until 11 p.m. Central Standard Time. He stated the principal speaker was BRUCE BOYNTON, son of AMELIA P. BOYNTON and a practicing attorney from Chattanooga, Tennessee. He stated that BOYNTON spoke on the freedom of man, centered the theme of his speech around the statement in the Bible "Let my people go" and spoke on the general working conditions in the Selma, Alabama, area for Negroes. He also criticized law enforcement officers who were present at the meeting for having a walkie-talkie within the church itself.

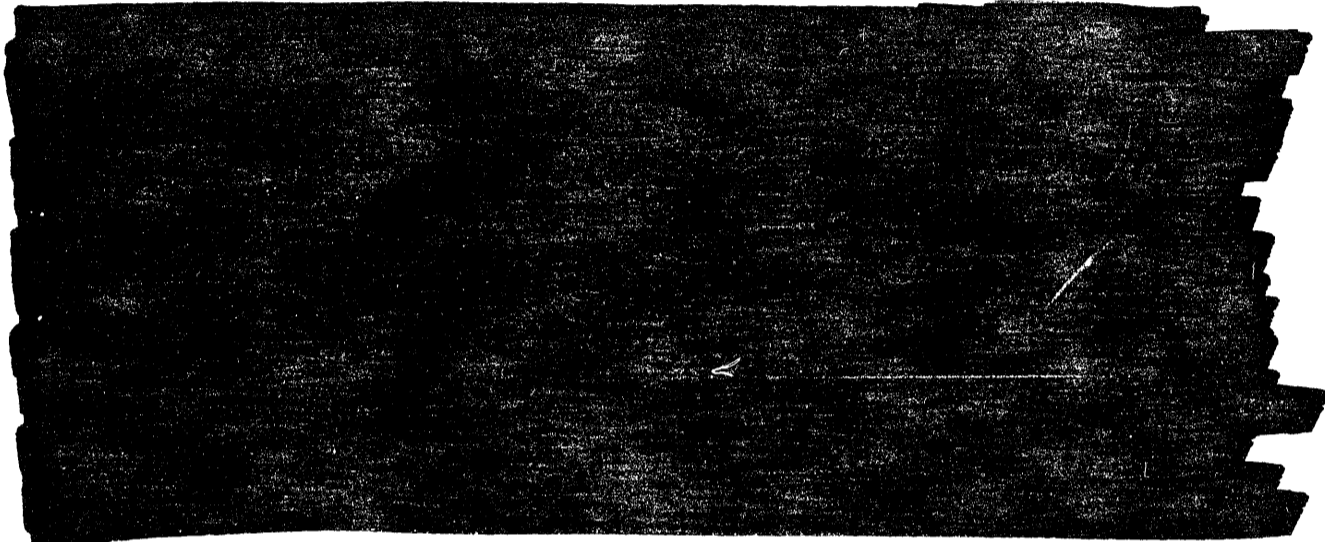
[REDACTED] stated he was aware of an arrest made on the evening of July 22, 1963, when the Sheriff arrested [REDACTED] Negro male, age sixteen; however, he did not witness the arrest. He stated there has been no reaction today among the Negro population regarding the arrest; however, last evening after the Sheriff made the arrest, about fifty teenagers who were present at the meeting wanted to make a march on the Dallas County Jail; however, this movement was headed off by the older Negroes at the meeting. The crowd totaled from 350 to 400 Negroes and was comprised of about 75 percent teenagers.

Other than the arrest of [REDACTED] which took place outside of the meeting, no other incidents occurred, and the Negroes dispersed and went to their homes after the meeting.


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RACIAL SITUATION
STATE OF ALABAMA
SELMA, ALABAMA



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COMMUNICATIONS SECTION
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Mr. Casper	_____
Mr. Callahan	_____
Mr. Conrad	_____
Mr. DeLoach	_____
Mr. Evans	_____
Mr. Gale	_____
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Miss Holmes	_____
Miss Gandy	_____

Mr. [unclear]

URGENT 7-25-63 9-47 AM LO

TO DIRECTOR FBI /157-6-61/

FROM SAC MOBILE /157-367/ 2P

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RACIAL SITUATION, STATE OF ALABAMA, SELMA, ALA., RM.

FOR INFORMATION OF THE BUREAU, DEPARTMENTAL ATTORNEYS JOHN DOAR AND ARVID A. SATHER WERE DELIVERED REPORTS LAST NIGHT, JULY TWENTYFOUR, SIXTYTHREE, IN ALL CIVIL RIGHTS CASES ARISING IN THE SELMA RA TERRITORY. THESE REPORTS WERE FOR THE PURPOSE OF A HEARING TODAY INVOLVING LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS AT SELMA, ALA. DOAR AND SATHER, UPON REVIEWING THE REPORTS IN THESE CASES, WERE QUESTIONING THE VALIDITY OF STATEMENTS THAT WERE MADE AT VARIOUS VOTER REGISTRATION MEETINGS BY NEGRO SPEAKERS. SPECIFICALLY, ONE JAMES BEVEL WHO SPOKE AT A VOTER REGISTRATION MEETING ON THE NIGHT OF JUNE SEVENTEEN, SIXTYTHREE, WHEREIN



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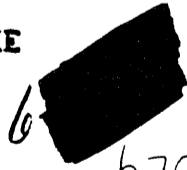
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FURNISHED INFORMATION THAT BEVEL MADE STATEMENTS CONCERNING BLOOD SHED, THAT NEGROES MUST BE WILLING TO DIE, AND OTHER INFLAMMATORY STATEMENTS. DOAR STATED HE HAD HEARD BEVEL MAKE NUMEROUS SPEECHES AND HAD NEVER HEARD HIM MAKE

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ANY REFERENCES SUCH AS CONTAINED IN THE DISSEMINATION MEMOS.
IT WAS POINTED OUT TO ATTORNEY DOAR THAT THIS INFORMATION
WAS OBTAINED FROM [REDACTED] WHO WERE PRESENT AT THE
MEETING AND THE FBI HAS NO WAY TO ASSESS THE VALIDITY OF
THESE STATEMENTS MADE BY [REDACTED] RELATIVE TO THE
NEGRO SPEAKERS, THAT THE OPINION OF THE INVESTIGATING AGENT
IS NOT SET FORTH IN ANY REPORT OR MEMO AS TO WHETHER THE
INFORMATION OBTAINED IS TRUE OR UNTRUE. SA [REDACTED]
AND SA [REDACTED] ARE EXPECTED TO TESTIFY TODAY AT A
HEARING AT SELMA, ALA., AND UNLESS ADVISED TO THE CONTRARY
BY THE BUREAU, THESE AGENTS WILL TESTIFY.

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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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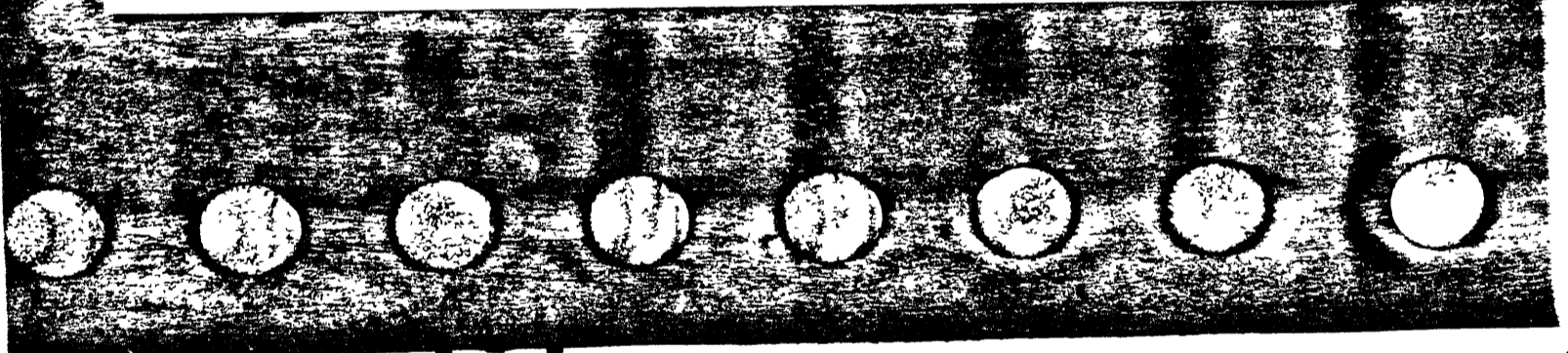
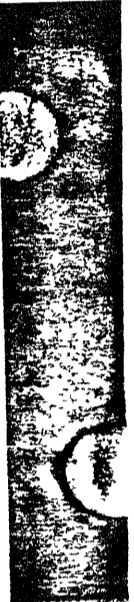
RACIAL SITUATION, STATE OF ALABAMA, SELMA, ALA., RM.
L MASS NEGRO VOTER REGISTRATION RALLY TO BE HELD
SEVEN THIRTY P. M. CST THIS DATE AT WARD/ S CHAPEL, SELMA.
PRINCIPAL SPEAKER UNIDENTIFIED. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] BUREAU WILL BE ADVISED AT CONCLUSION
OF RALLY.

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TO DIRECTOR FBI
FROM SAC, MOBILE

RACIAL SITUATION, STATE OF ALABAMA, SELMA, ALA., RM.
REMOTEL TODAY.

VOTE REGISTRATION MEETING AT WARDS CHAPEL TERMINATED AT
TEN FIFTEEN PM CST TONIGHT. APPROXIMATELY TWO HUNDRED FIFTY NEGROES
IN ATTENDANCE, SEVENTY PER CENT TEEN AGERS.

NO PRINCIPLE SPEAKERS GAVE TALK AT MEETING AND SPEECHES
MADE BY LOCAL NEGRO LEADERS. COMPLETE THEME OF MEETING CENTERED
AROUND BROTHERLY LOVE AND LIVING TOGETHER WITH YOUR FELLOW MAN.

[REDACTED]

NO INCIDENTS REPORTED HOWEVER APPROXIMATELY THIRTY FIVE TRAFFIC
TICKETS ISSUED FOR IMPROPER LIGHTS [REDACTED]

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TO : Director, FBI (157-6-61)

FROM : SAC, Mobile (157-367)(P)

SUBJECT: RACIAL SITUATION
STATE OF ALABAMA
SELMA, ALABAMA
RM

Racial Matters

Transmitted herewith are eight copies of letterhead memo. The information in instant letterhead memo was furnished telephonically to SA [redacted]

[redacted] was advised that the matter contained in the attached letterhead memo did not appear to be a matter within the jurisdiction of the FBI; however SA [redacted] would be glad to take the information from [redacted] and refer same to the U. S. Department of Justice.

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Date Forw. AUG 2 1963

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By [redacted]

*1cc to [redacted] unit
2cc to [redacted]*

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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File No.

Mobile, Alabama
July 31, 1963

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STATE OF ALABAMA
SELMA, ALABAMA

[redacted] who identified himself as being [redacted] in voter registration activity among Negroes in [redacted] Alabama, telephonically advised on July 28, 1963 that he had spoken to a Negro named [redacted] of the [redacted] Community and [redacted] had "gone out of business" in [redacted]. He stated he wanted to see if the FBI could help him get started again."

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[redacted] advised he would bring [redacted] to the FBI Office in Selma, Alabama, on the morning of July 29, 1963 to furnish details regarding this matter; however, as of July 31, 1963, [redacted] and [redacted] have not appeared at the Selma Resident Agency of the FBI.

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TO DIRECTOR FBI Racial matters
FROM SAC, MOBILE /157-367/

RACIAL SITUATION STATE OF ALABAMA, SELMA, ALA RM.
VOTER REGISTRATION MASS RALLY SCHEDULED SEVEN THIRTY P. M.
AT TRINITY BAPTIST CHURCH, SMALL AVENUE, SELMA, ALA TONIGHT.
PRINCIPAL SPEAKER IDENTIFIED AS RUFUS LEWIS. CAPACITY CROWD
OF APPROXIMATELY THREE HUNDRED NEGROES EXPECTED.

[REDACTED]

MO WILL ADVISE AT COMPLETION OF MEETING.
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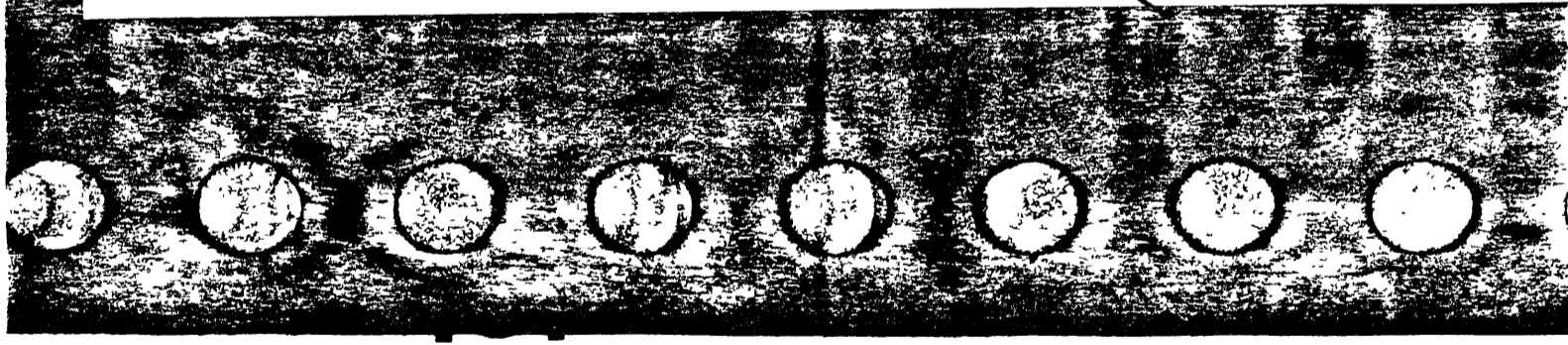
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D. DeLoach
adv 8/6

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TO DIRECTOR FBI
FROM SAC, MOBILE /157-367/

RACIAL SITUATION STATE OF ALABAMA, SELMA, ALABAMA. RM.

REMOTEL TODAY.

VOTE REGISTRATION RALLY TERMINATED TEN P. M. TONIGHT.

[REDACTED] NO INCIDENTS

OCCURRED.

MAIN THEME OF MEETING WAS VOTE REGISTRATION AND ONE SPEAKER
JAMES AUSTIN IDENTIFIED AS BEING RAISED IN SELMA, ALA SUGGESTED
MASS VOTING REGISTRATION DRIVE AND THAT NEGROES GO TO JAIL IN
EFFORT TO OBTAIN VOTING FRANCHISE.

ESTIMATED ATTENDENCE THREE HUNDRED FIFTY TO FOUR HUNDRED
NEGROES ABOUT SIXTY PERCENT TEENAGERS.

RUFUS LEWIS PREVIOUSLY IDENTIFIED AS PRINCIPAL SPEAKER
DID NOT SPEAK AND A J. ROBINSON IDENTIFIED AS BEING FROM MONTGOMERY
ALA SPOKE IN PLACE OF LEWIS.

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TO : Director, FBI (157-6-61)
FROM : SAC, Mobile (157-367)(P)
SUBJECT: RACIAL SITUATION
STATE OF ALABAMA
SELMA, ALABAMA
RM

Racial Matter

Transmitted herewith is a letterhead memo in regards to a telephone call reported to SA [redacted] of the Selma, Alabama Resident Agency, by [redacted]. Instant telephone call was received by [redacted].

[redacted] was advised by SA [redacted] that the matter referred to by him did not appear to be a nature within the jurisdiction of the FBI and that he should notify local authorities in Selma, Ala., and make a report to them of this as they have the responsibility of offering protection to citizens in Selma.

He was advised the information regarding this matter would be furnished to the U. S. Department of Justice.

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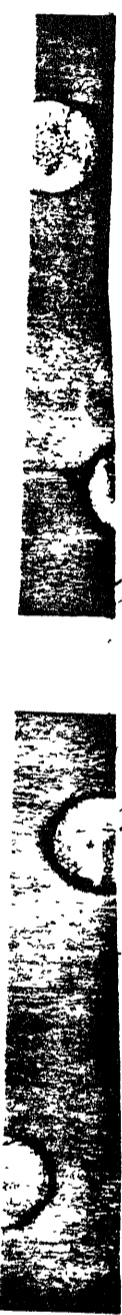
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Mobile, Alabama
July 31, 1963

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STATE OF ALABAMA
SELMA, ALABAMA

On July 30, 1963, [REDACTED] telephonically advised that his wife, [REDACTED] had received a threatening telephone call from an unidentified caller who stated he was going to "blow her brains out." The call came to his telephone number, [REDACTED] in Selma, Alabama, and appeared to be a local call.

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STATE OF ALABAMA
SELMA, ALABAMA
RM

Racial Matters

Attached hereto are eight copies of letterhead memorandum reflecting meeting of voter registration group in Selma, Ala., night of 7/29/63.

Local armed service intelligence agencies have been advised.

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By [Redacted]

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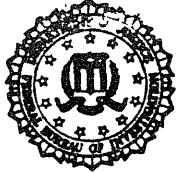
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Mobile, Alabama
July 31, 1963

RACIAL SITUATION
STATE OF ALABAMA
SELMA, ALABAMA

On July 29, 1963 [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Selma, Alabama, telephonically advised [REDACTED] received information that a Negro Voter Registration rally would be held at Ward's Chapel Church, corner of Tremont and Philpot Streets, Selma, at 7:30 on the night of July 29, 1963.

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On July 29, 1963 [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Selma, confirmed the fact that a voter registration rally would be held at Ward's Chapel on the evening of July 29, 1963. He stated no principal speaker had been selected. He advised that from now on the local Negro leaders in Selma would take an active part in these meetings and they were going to assume leadership in the drive for voter registration. No other type demonstrations were being planned at this time as the only drive being made is to get Negroes registered. He pointed out that information concerning any other type of demonstrations which would be planned in the future would be difficult to find out as the Negro feels the only weapon he has in the movement that works to his advantage is to not let anyone know his plans. He

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SELMA, ALABAMA

pointed out that the Negro feels the whites have everything on their side and he has nothing but the advantage of doing the unsuspected. [REDACTED] pointed out he is still willing to cooperate in any way possible with the FBI; however, he realizes it is the responsibility of the FBI to furnish information regarding Negro demonstrations to local authorities and, therefore, there is the possibility that the Negro leaders will withhold information relative to demonstrations as they do not desire local authorities be apprised or present when demonstrations take place.

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On July 31, 1963 [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] a voter registration rally on the night of July 29, 1963.

Present on the rostrum at the church, Ward's Chapel, were the following individuals, who gave talks regarding voter registration, urging Negroes to go to the courthouse and register to vote:

~~MARIE P. BOYNTON~~

~~MARIE FOSTER~~

~~Father MAURICE OULETTE~~

~~Reverend L. L. ANDERSON~~

~~BERNARD LAFAYETTE, JR.~~ spoke on voter registration. He stated President KENNEDY wants the Negro to be free, but that he could not free the Negro in Selma, he must free himself. He informed all Negroes to stop being afraid. LAFAYETTE also led in the singing of the Negro freedom songs.

A young Negro male, not identified, stated that the Negro did not intend to "whip and wolf" his way, but to go about gaining freedom in a quiet manner. He stated they did not have weapons in the movement; that they do not have to "sling mud." He prevailed upon Negroes to strive for freedom in such a way that everyone will know that what the Negro wants is freedom and he wants it in a Christian manner. He stated the Negro has been a good servant to his country and now he wants to "reap what he has sowed."

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SELMA, ALABAMA

Other speakers identified at the meeting who gave talks which urged Negro voter registration and gave historical background in reference to Negroes are as follows:

M. S. HASTY, Pastor, Ward's Chapel Church

EDWIN MOSS, local Negro leader employed at St. Edmund's Mission, Broad Street, Selma

T. L. POPE

DOYLE SHANNON

J. T. HUNTER

S. D. REESE

The meeting broke up at about 10:15 p.m., CST. No incidents were reported

On July 30, 1963 [REDACTED] telephonically advised that during the voter registration rally on the night of July 29, 1963 the Sheriff of Dallas County and the Alabama Highway Patrol officers wrote a great number of tickets on Negroes who attended the rally for improper lights. Most of the tickets were issued for tag lights being out over the license tags.

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URGENT 8-12-63 4-55 PM JEB
TO DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM SAC, MOBILE /157-367/ 1P

RACIAL SITUATION, STATE OF ALABAMA, SELMA, ALA.,
RACIAL MATTERS.

NEGRO VOTER REGISTRATION MEETING TO BE HELD SEVEN
THIRTY P. M., CST, THIS DATE AT BROWN-S CHAPEL, SELMA
AVE. AND SYLVAN ST., SELMA, ALA. PRINCIPAL SPEAKER, DR.
ROBERT BROWN, FEMALE LEADER, BIRMINGHAM VOTER REGISTRATION
MOVEMENT.

[REDACTED]

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BUREAU WILL BE ADVISED AT CONCLUSION OF MEETING.

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Dillon, CRP
8/13/63

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
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Mr. Conrad	_____
Mr. DeLoach	_____
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Miss Gandy	_____

DEFERRED 8-12-63 11-08 PM CST VFP
TO DIRECTOR FBI
FROM SAC, MOBILE /157-367/ 1 P

RACIAL SITUATION STATE OF ALABAMA, SELMA, ALABAMA.

REMOTEL AUG TWELVE SIXTYTHREE.

VOTER REGISTRATION RALLY HELD THIS EVENING BROWN'S CHAPEL
SYLVAN STREET AND ALABAMA AVENUE, SELMA, ALA. APPROXIMATELY
THREE HUNDRED NEGROES IN ATTENDENCE. DALLAS COUNTY SO AND SELMA

PD: IN AND AROUND CHURCH MAINTING ORDER AND DIRECTING TRAFFIC.

MEETING CONCLUDED TEN P. M. CST WITHOUT INCIDENT.

LETTERHEAD MEMO FOLLOWS.

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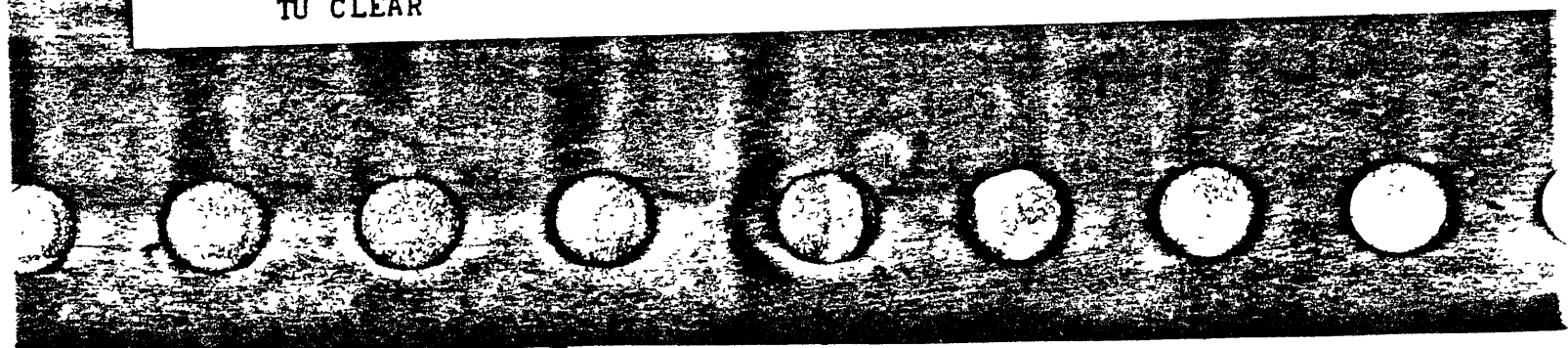
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Date: 8/12/63

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Via AIRTEL _____
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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI
(ATT: CIVIL RIGHTS SECTION, GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE
DIVISION)
FROM : SAC, NEW YORK

SUBJECT: MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA
RACIAL MATTERS *mobile*

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Enclosed herewith are eight copies of a letterhead memorandum reflecting information received from [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past.

This memorandum is classified "Confidential" because it contains information from [redacted] the unauthorized disclosure of which would seriously impair the investigation of the CP, USA, and such impairment could have an adverse effect upon the national defense interests of this country.

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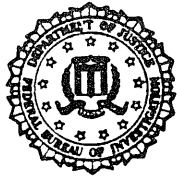
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

New York, New York
August 12, 1963

Re: Montgomery, Alabama
Racial Matters

MIS.
On August 10, 1963, a confidential source who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that on that date, Coretta King, wife of Martin Luther King, in a discussion regarding the "Dan River and the Savannah activities" commented that Montgomery, Alabama "was the next project" and that they expected some "pretty rough going" because of the attitude of Governor Wallace.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-6-61)
FROM: SAC, MOBILE (157-367)(P)
SUBJECT: RACIAL SITUATION, STATE OF ALABAMA
SELMA, ALABAMA
RACIAL MATTERS

Enclosed herewith to the Bureau are eight copies of letterhead memorandum concerning information obtained regarding a voter registration rally at Selma, Alabama on the evening of August 5, 1963.

Local law enforcement authorities and military advised prior to the meeting.

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By [Redacted]

Special Agent in Charge

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
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Mobile, Alabama
August 6, 1963

RACIAL SITUATION
STATE OF ALABAMA
SELMA, ALABAMA
RACIAL MATTERS

Negro
8-10-1963

On August 5, 1963

[REDACTED] Selma, Alabama, advised that a voter registration rally was scheduled for 7:30 PM, CST, at Trinity Baptist Church, Small Avenue, Selma. The principal speaker was identified by [REDACTED] as being RUFUS [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] stated that 300 to 350 persons were expected to be in attendance.

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Later, on the evening of August 5, 1963, at approximately 10:15 PM, CST [REDACTED]

B. Selma

[REDACTED] advised that the meeting had been orderly and there were no incidents connected with the meeting. He pointed out, however, that one JAMES AUSTIN, a young Negro male, had made an inflammatory talk, in his opinion, concerning Negro voter registration. He said that AUSTIN made statements to the effect that he intended to register to vote even if he had to have Chief of Police E. W. MULLEN escort him to the registration office in order for him to be registered to vote. AUSTIN also made further statements concerning the fact that he intended to see that all places of business and all White schools in Selma were integrated this fall.

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Member - State + Acquaintance
On August 6, 1963

[REDACTED] advised that he had been on the scene at the Trinity Baptist

Coordinating with

Church on the evening of August 5, 1963. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] were on the scene and observed no type of activities other than the fact that a rally appeared to be taking place in the church. He said he did observe a young Negro male, wearing a gray suit whom he later identified as JAMES AUSTIN, conversing with the Sheriff of Dallas County who was parked in front of the church and he understood from the Sheriff that AUSTIN used some strong language concerning efforts that would be made at integration of schools and public places plus a voter registration drive in Selma. He stated that it was his opinion that AUSTIN possibly was attempting to "bait" the Sheriff into arresting him and placing him in jail since he understood that AUSTIN made some type of statement concerning the fact that Negroes would fill up the jails in Selma.

On August 6, 1963, [REDACTED] advised that JAMES AUSTIN, Negro male, age 21, who is a Field Secretary for the Student Nonviolent Co-ordinating Committee, had been working in the area of Talladega, Alabama and Gadsden, Alabama. However, he was born and reared in Selma. He stated that AUSTIN made a rather "rabble rousing" type of talk; however, he thought that AUSTIN was impetuous because he was young and he had been actively engaged in activities in Gadsden and Talladega and appeared to be "all fired up". [REDACTED] pointed out, however, that he felt the situation was well under control of Negro leaders in Selma, and that AUSTIN did not appeal to any of the adults at the rally; however, he possible had some appeal to some of the teenagers in the crowd which was about 60% of the 350 to 400 Negroes at the rally. [REDACTED] stated that RUFUS LEWIS, Negro male, 50 years of age, a funeral director in Montgomery, Alabama, spoke at the meeting and passed out sample voter registration forms. He was a quiet, subdued speaker and gave a very constructive talk on how to fill out these forms.

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He stated that the meeting terminated at about 10:00 or 10:15 PM, CST, and everyone dispersed and went peacefully to their homes.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-6-61)
FROM: SAC, MOBILE (157-367)(P)
SUBJECT: RACIAL SITUATION
STATE OF ALABAMA
SELMA, ALABAMA
RM

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are eight copies of letterhead memorandum concerning a petition delivered to the Mayor of Selma, Alabama.

Local and military authorities advised.

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1 - Mobile
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Agency G-2, ONI, OSI, CRD
Date Forw. AUG 15 1963

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Mobile, Alabama
August 9, 1963

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

RACIAL SITUATION
STATE OF ALABAMA
SELMA, ALABAMA

On August 6, 1963, [REDACTED]

ALABAMA

[REDACTED] Selma, Alabama, advised that three young Negro males, JAMES AUSTIN, WILSON BROWN and REV. BENNY L. ~~TUCKER~~, had contacted the Mayor, CHRIS HEINZ, of Selma on August 6, 1963 and delivered to him a petition which requested the desegregation of public facilities, etc. in Selma. [REDACTED] stated that they indicated to the Mayor that they were representatives of the Negroes in Selma, and [REDACTED] advised that this was "the farthest from the truth that anything could be". He stated [REDACTED] Negro leaders in Selma had contacted these three individuals and advised them that they had absolutely no authority whatsoever to represent Negroes in Selma and if BERNARD LAFAYETTE, JR. had been in town, he most certainly would not approve this type of action by these three individuals.

ALABAMA

[REDACTED] stated that LAFAYETTE is presently in New York and he understands he intends to return to school this Fall in that area.

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[REDACTED] stated that [REDACTED] made arrangements to straighten the matter out later on this week.

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[REDACTED] pointed out that the individuals who delivered this petition to the Mayor's Office had absolutely no authority to represent the Negroes in Dallas County, Alabama, and this apparently was a "personal venture on their own".

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 8/16/63

FROM : SAC, MOBILE (100-1342)

SUBJECT: RACIAL SITUATION
STATE OF ALABAMA

L This is to advise that a bill described as designed to insure freedom of association in public places was introduced in the House of Representatives, State of Alabama, Montgomery, Ala., on 8/9/63. The bill, sponsored by Representative MALCOLM BETHEA of Jefferson County, Ala., provides that a person may refuse to share his table, booth, compartment, bench, seat or "other like accommodations" if he so wishes.

The measure also requires the "proprietor, manager, superintendent or person in charge" to prevent "any disturbance or invasion of such ... rights".

BETHEA said the bill is an answer to President KENNEDY's proposed public accommodations bill presently pending in Congress. Any proprietor or operator who "fails or refuses to secure" the rights provided under the BETHEA proposal would be liable for a suit by the offended party for punitive damages not exceeding \$5000.

The measure also provides that any person "who willfully deprives another of his rights by the act of a misdemeanor" and can be fined as much as \$500 and sentenced to as long as six months in jail. This bill, according to BETHEA would at least relieve a person so that he can avoid direct contact with those persons he does not want to be bothered with.

The House also passed a resolution requesting that businesses that have desegregated their facilities place a sign at each entrance "to inform the traveling public".

Representative SAM NESTLES of Wilcox County, Ala., said he introduced the resolution at the request of Governor GEORGE WALLACE. The resolution noted that an increasing number of businesses and other places of public accommodation have desegregated their facilities "though most often not from choice". "The traveling public", it said, "has no way of knowing what facilities are available to them".

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To: SAC, Mobile (100-1312)

From: Director, FBI

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**RACIAL SITUATION
STATE OF ALABAMA**

Reurlet 8/16/63 pertaining to legislation introduced "to insure freedom of association."

Submit information in form suitable for dissemination if not previously done.

For your guidance, any information of possible interest to Department and/or other agencies with respect to matters affecting racial situation should be forwarded in form suitable for dissemination.

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Aug 23 1963

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Date: 8/14/63

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-6-61)

FROM: SAC, MOBILE (157-367) (P)

SUBJECT: RACIAL SITUATION
STATE OF ALABAMA
SELMA, ALABAMA
RM

Agency: ONI, CSI, CRD

Date: 8/19/63

How Forw: [redacted] b7c

By: [redacted]

Re Mobile teletype to Bureau, 8/12/63.

Enclosed are 8 copies of letterhead memorandum reflecting [redacted] Selma, Ala.

[redacted] Brown's Chapel, Alabama Ave. and Sylvan St., on evening of 8/12/63 at which time a Negro voter registration meeting was held. [redacted]

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Mobile, Alabama
August 14, 1963

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

RACIAL SITUATION
STATE OF ALABAMA
SELMA, ALABAMA

On August 13, 1963, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Selma, Alabama.

furnished [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Brown's Chapel, Alabama

[REDACTED] and Sylvan Street on August 12, 1963 when a Negro
voter registration rally was held at approximately 7:30 P.M.

[REDACTED] the first principal speaker
was E. L. MOSS, a Negro voter registration leader in the
Selma area. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] MOSS said:

"I am always ready to talk about voting. The
Voting League is always ready to assist you. There
is a new organization in Selma called 'Dallas County
Improvement League'. We are going to be free.
We can be free. We will always fight until we
can say we are free. That is the only way to get
what we want, is to fight hand and hand."

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The next speaker [REDACTED]
was JAMES PORTER, a Negro engaged in the voter registration
movement in Selma. PORTER's words were as follows: [REDACTED]

"I am happy to be here and stand here. Vote
for democracy and decency. We are making plans

to go to Washington, D. C. on August 28th. We have teachers to teach you how to vote".

The next speaker was ~~MARIE POSTER~~, a Negro involved in the voter registration rally in Selma. She stated: ALA

"We welcome you to our tenth mass meeting. Tonight our program is 'Watch What You Say'. Make your mouth the watchtower. Keep awake and alert. There are person or persons watching you. They may wait for you. That is our main thing to watch for. Also, they will take advantage of you. The best course to take on the civil rights program is to leave it alone. It will take care of itself. Support and stop the killing of Negroes. Watch what you say. The watchdog. Watch for the one who watches you. He may be in wait".

[REDACTED] a financial appeal. An unidentified person stated that the total assets collected from the second meeting until last Monday were \$669.81. He stated:

"We feel the money paid out is for the ones who will help you and are feeding you. We know it takes money to ride the freedom train, so come on up".

This person listed for the audience the amounts paid out:

"Traffic ticket	\$ 14.00
Attorney fee	235.00
Coon Bonding Company	100.00
Education	20.00
Groceries	12.00
Two students	20.00
Speakers	35.00
Leaflets	52.00
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Total paid out	\$514.11
Balance in hand	\$155.70"

[REDACTED] the next speaker
of the evening was the principal speaker, LUCINDA ORAY BROWN,
who is reportedly a leader in the Birmingham Negro voter
registration matters. The principal speaker's remarks [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] are as follows:

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"Welcome to all lovers of freedom. Every time someone comes to a meeting they say they are from the North, but I am from Birmingham, and I was born in Alabama. I bring greetings to you from Birmingham. You can read. We no longer have the [REDACTED]. He has burned his bull out. We have an honorable Mayor in BOUTWELL. I am on his committee. Let them write all they want to. They have asked me to speak on voting. That is a good subject. No matter black or white no man is free until his neighbors are free. 'There is nothing to fear but fear itself'. Are we going all out for voting? We can. We are accepted on behavior, not color. I can go and speak anywhere because I am a citizen. I wasn't born in Africa and I am not going back. I was born in Alabama and I am not a slave. There has not been an organization that has made progress. The Negro checked Selma and you can see the progress you have made. They put police dogs on us in Birmingham. I only showed who we were. Voteless people are hopeless people. I don't care what you are unless you are voting age, because if you are not voting age you are harming the program. Your vote is your ticket on the freedom train. If you got the dough you can eat anywhere. If you got the money then you are up there. I have been up there before. You can't get freedom unless you pay for it. You can't get something for nothing. If you are nothing you are too lazy to go to work and pay your poll tax. I have taught half white children all my life so you can see somebody has already integrated. I am somebody. I say, 'listen white, what is it to you'. The reason I say white man is because he is too white to be black. Don't be mad at them because they are writing. When our leaders and officials wake up it will be a better day. I have been writing

for eight years. Back to teaching half white children. So you see integration has been going on for some time. I am not particular by sitting by anybody. I just want to sit and eat where I want to. I don't care about sitting and eating by a white person. There will be white babies nursing from a black mama's breast before we are through. If you know you want something you can get it. I paid taxes and I ate that stuff in jail. When God made this world he made enough room for everybody to live in. We have got a lot of straightening up to do ourselves. You saw some anything in Birmingham that I did not do in. I never will pussyfoot. A little do you, but it will take more than a dab to do me. Be strong, we are not here to play. Let's face it. Selma, a city who has been tried, but we have to try harder".

[REDACTED] advised that the meeting at Brown's Chapel concluded at approximately 10:00 P.M. Central Standard Time. He stated that of the approximately two hundred twenty five persons in attendance, more than one-half of them were teen-agers.

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TO : Director, FBI
FROM SAC, Mobile (157-367)(P)
SUBJECT: RACIAL SITUATION
STATE OF ALABAMA
SELMA, ALABAMA
RM
(Mobile - 00)

Agency G-2. ONI. CSI 1963
AUG 19 1963
Date Forw. _____
How Forw. _____
By _____

Enclosed herewith are eight copies of letterhead memorandum reflecting information furnished by _____ Selma, Ala., on 8/12/63.

Also enclosed are two copies of news article appearing in the Selma Times Journal, Selma, Ala., 8/11/63.

For the information of the Bureau it is to be noted that Father MAURICE OUELLET, Pastor of St. Elizabeth's Mission, Society of Edmunds, has been carried in previous correspondence as Father MAURICE OULETTE.

Local armed service intelligence authorities have been advised separately.

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Negro Committee Airs Grievances, Urges Harmony

A committee composed of a white minister and five Negroes approached Selma Police Chief Ed Mullen with a petition of grievances Saturday morning and at the same time offered city and county officials their "sincere efforts" in avoiding racial demonstrations in Selma.

The group, a sub-committee of the Dallas County Improvement League, emphatically denied any affiliation with "three Negroes who recently attempted to petition Selma Mayor Chris Heinz."

They further stated that any requests made by their committee should not be considered demands nor the issuance of an ultimatum.

A spokesman for the committee, Rev. Maurice Ouellet, the white pastor of St. Elizabeth's Mission, said the group was directed to Chief Mullen's office by Mayor Heinz because he (the mayor) would not be in the city Saturday.

The mayor is attending the national convention of American Municipalities in Houston, Texas.

In a letter presented to the police chief by the sub-committee, a list of grievances pertaining to alleged racial discrimination was set forth in seven categories.

The letter also emphatically denied any affiliation with three Negroes who attempted to petition the mayor Tuesday, and stated that city and county officials would be contacted by the committee for the purpose of forming a bi-racial committee, to be appointed by the respective city and county government heads.

Represented Selves

"The three Negroes who petitioned the mayor some few days ago were in error in their statements of presentation. They only represented themselves—only the three persons who signed the petition," the letter described.

The Rev. Ouellet said the principal objective of the committee that talked with Chief Mullen Saturday is to avoid any racial tension or demonstrations and to foster harmonious relations between the races.

Chief Mullen, after short discussion with the committee, referred them to the mayor, stating, "at this time I can make no further comment."

The committee was composed of, other than Rev. Ouellet, Dr. W. B. Dinkins, the Rev. C. C. Hunter, the Rev. Claude Brown, M. C. Cleveland, Jr., and the Rev. Louis Anderson, all Negroes.

Committee

The letter presented to Chief Mullen in part:

"This group was organized for the purpose of trying to head off any actions of demonstrations that may lead to violence, and more racial hate, by attempting to establish positive but friendly lines of communication between the races and for the purpose of presenting to the proper persons those grievances Negro citizens believe should and must be corrected."

The second page of the letter was a formal petition embracing alleged discrimination against Negroes in the city.

Seven Categories

It was divided into seven categories as follows:

"1) That the officials of the City of Selma will use the prestige of their offices along with county officials to see that all qualified Negroes are registered as voters.

"2) That those public buildings and facilities supported by taxes be made available to Negroes on an equal and non-segregated basis and that signs reading "Negro" and "White" be removed from all public buildings and immediately from the Dallas County court house.

"3) That the Police Department will make a special effort to see that Negroes are treated like human beings and the "brutal and savage manner" in which they deal with Negroes be discontinued immediately.

"4) That the practice of intimidation by law enforcement officers be discontinued especially where Negroes attempt to use their constitutional rights of peaceful assembly.

"5) That the officials of the city will lend whatever assistance they can in creating a calm, receptive mood among the white citizens as pertaining to the efforts of this committee in the area of better job opportunities.

"6) That the City will hire Negroes in jobs other than as garbage collectors, janitors and common laborers . . . such as policemen, firemen, etc.

"7) That the mayor of the City of Selma will name businessmen of the white race who will work with this committee to correct certain known unjust practices that a more harmonious relationship may exist between the races in this community."

(Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

Pages 1 and 2

Selma Times
Journal

Selma, Alabama

Date: 8/11/63
Edition: Morning
Author: DON BARNES
Editor: EDWARD B. FIELD
Title: RACIAL SITUATION
STATE OF ALABAMA
SELMA, ALABAMA
Character:
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Classification: 157-367
Submitting Office: Mobile

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM SAC, MOBILE /157-367/

RACIAL SITUATION, STATE OF ALABAMA, SELMA, ALABAMA
NEGRO VOTER REGISTRATION RALLY SCHEDULED THIS EVENING
SEVEN THIRTY PM CST BROWN-S CHAPEL, AME CHURCH, FOUR
ZERO SYLVAN STREET, SELMA. PRINCIPAL SPEAKER REV. CALVIN
WOODS, VOTER REGISTRATION LEADER BIRMINGHAM, ALA.

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RACIAL SITUATION, STATE OF ALABAMA, SELMA, ALABAMA. RM.
REMOTEL TODAY.

NEGRO VOTER REGISTRATION MEETING BROWNS CHAPEL, SYLVAN STREET,
AND ALABAMA AVENUE, SELMA, ALA CONCLUDED TEN TEN P.M. EST.

THREE HUNDRED NEGROES IN ATTENDENCE INCLUDING APPROXIMATELY
TWO HUNDRED FORTY TEEN AGERS. DL CO SO DEPUTYS AND SELMA PD
IN AND AROUND SCENE OF RALLY.

NO DALLAS CO POSSEE MEMBER CALLED TO SCENE. NO INCIDENTS REPORTED.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI ~~(100-135-61)~~

DATE: 8/21/63

FROM : *ep* SAC, MOBILE (100-1342)

SUBJECT: RACIAL SITUATION
STATE OF ALABAMA
TUSKEGEE

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[REDACTED]
Tuskegee, Ala., on 8/15/63 advised SA [REDACTED] that Sheriff PRESTON HORNSBY of Macon Co., had employed JAMES GRANVILLE CHARITY, SR., a Negro, as deputy sheriff on 8/1/63. CHARITY was formerly a patrolman at Hampton, Va., from 4/11/53-4/14/58.

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This information is being called to the attention of the Bureau as it is believed that CHARITY is the first Negro to be employed as a deputy sheriff in the State of Ala. Macon Co., Ala., has a Negro population of approximately 86% of the total population of the county. CHARITY is the first Negro holding a public office in this county [REDACTED] indicated that the employment of CHARITY had not aroused any particular public criticism or opposition.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 8/27/63

FROM : *RD* SAC, MOBILE (157-)

SUBJECT: ~~MOBILE COUNTY CITIZENS COUNCIL~~
RACIAL MATTERS

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are two articles from the Mobile Register, daily newspaper published at Mobile, Alabama, issue of August 27, 1963, concerning a meeting of the newly organized Mobile County Citizens Council to be held in Mobile the night of August 29, 1963.

No investigation of this group is being conducted in accordance with previous Bureau instructions.

Any information obtained from approved sources will be furnished the Bureau.

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Rally Slated By Council

A newly organized Mobile County Citizens Council will hold its first public rally at 7:30 p.m. Thursday at the Sage Avenue Armory.

Spokesmen for the council announced Monday that speakers will be Arthur Hanes, former mayor of Birmingham; Dr. John Whitley of Birmingham, vice chairman of the Alabama Citizens Councils; C. D. McQueen, Birmingham, and Leonard Wilson of Montgomery, executive secretary of the Citizens Councils of Alabama.

The local council spokesmen said that the rally will be open to all white citizens, male and female. They described the Citizens Council as a "civic, political, non-partisan, non-secret body, organized to defend the purity and integrity of all races."

They stated that "this association is dedicated to the maintenance of peace, good order and domestic tranquility in our communities and in our state and to the preservation of our states' rights under the 10th Amendment."

"The Citizens Council goal," they said, "is the defense of the South by adequate political action. We urge strength and unity in the South for the South."

The council spokesmen said that offices will be opened in Mobile in the near future.

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(Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

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Mobile Register
Mobile, Ala.

Date 8/27/63

Edition: Final

Author:

Editor:

Title: MOBILE COUNTY
CITIZENS COUNCIL

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Attached hereto are eight copies of amended page two of letterhead memo referred to in reairtel.

It should be noted that all of the information on page two of instant letterhead memo consisted of [redacted] and the portion from line 23 through the rest of that paragraph was quoted from the speech of MARIE FOSTER, Tuskegee, Ala., and the exact meaning could not be determined.

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Transmitted herewith as enclosures for the Bureau are eight copies of letterhead memo relating to captioned matter.

Copy of newspaper article will be forwarded under separate cover.

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Mobile, Alabama
August 28, 1963

DESEGREGATION OF
AUBURN UNIVERSITY
AUBURN, ALABAMA

According to an article appearing on page one of the Montgomery Advertiser, a daily newspaper published at Montgomery, Alabama, on August 28, 1963, Harold A. Franklin, Negro male, a graduate of Alabama State College, Montgomery, Alabama, has filed suit in the United States District Court, Montgomery, Alabama, to require Auburn University officials to admit him as a student. He claims that his application to Auburn's Graduate School was rejected solely because of his race.

The suit calls for a temporary injunction forbidding school officials to reject him as a student, followed by a permanent injunction upon final hearing.

The motion charged that Auburn University officials refused to process the application of Franklin or to "act expeditiously" on applications of Negroes. It charged that Negroes were subjected to delays and tests not applied to white applicants, and also made subject to "terms and conditions" not required of white students.

According to the article, Auburn University officials claim Franklin was rejected because he was a graduate of a non-accredited school.

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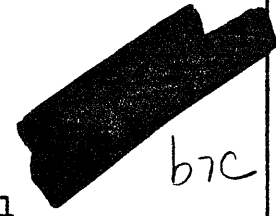
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SUBJECT: RACIAL SITUATION
STATE OF ALABAMA


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Re Mobile letter 8/16/63 and Bureau airtel 8/23/63.

Enclosed are copies of letterhead memorandum setting forth the context of the bill referred to in referenced airtel as legislation introduced "to insure freedom of association", as well as the resolution introduced by Representative NETTLES requiring places of business who have integrated service, to so advertise by a sign on each door of the establishment, and also a third bill, not mentioned in referenced letter, which attempts to have the effect of disenfranchising persons convicted of disorderly conduct in connection with racial demonstrations.

It is to be noted that final action has not been taken on any of these measures by the Alabama Legislature. Mobile will follow the progress of this legislation and will submit an additional letterhead memorandum when and if any of these bills are finally enacted into law.

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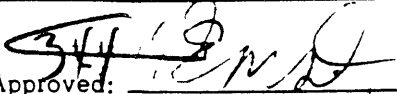
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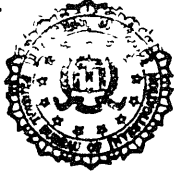
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Mobile, Alabama
August 30, 1963

RACIAL SITUATION
STATE OF ALABAMA

On August 27 and 28, 1963, copies of bills in the legislature of the state of Alabama, which relate to the racial situation in that state, were obtained from the Office of the Clerk of the House of Representatives of the State of Alabama.

The first being quoted is H.J.R. 116, introduced by Representative SAM NETTLES, Wilcox County, Alabama, which reads as follows:

"WHEREAS presidential edicts and federal court rulings have encroached so far on property rights and personal rights that proprietors of eating establishments and other places of 'public accommodation' are being forced to integrate their facilities and are denied the right to serve only those whom they choose to serve; and

"WHEREAS an increasing number of places of business are succumbing to the order, though most often not from choice, and the travelling public of both races has no way of knowing what facilities are available to them; now therefore,

"BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That all places of business which have integrated facilities be requested to post signs at each entrance of their establishments so informing the public of the fact in order that the travelling public may know facilities are available to them."

On motion of Mr. NETTLES the rules were suspended and H.J.R. 116 was adopted.

House bill 861, introduced by Representatives McCORQUODALE, EDWARDS of Escambia County, SALTER, WOOD, NETTLES and DANIEL, a bill not yet entitled, reads as follows:

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STATE OF ALABAMA

"Proposing an amendment to Article 8, Section 182 of the Constitution of Alabama 1901, so as to include among persons who shall be disqualified from registering and voting, any person who has been convicted of disorderly conduct or breach of the peace with the wilful intention to incite to riot or to overthrow the laws of this state by taking part in any sit-in or stand-in demonstration.

"BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

"Section 1. It is hereby proposed that Article 8, Section 182 of the Constitution of Alabama 1901 be amended to read as follows:

'Section 182. The following persons shall be disqualified both from registering, and from voting, namely:

'All idiots and insane persons; those who shall by reason of conviction of crime be disqualified from voting at the time of the ratification of this Constitution; those who shall be convicted of treason, murder, arson, embezzlement, malfeasance in office, larceny, receiving stolen property, obtaining property or money under false pretenses, perjury, subornation of perjury, robbery, assault with intent to rob, burglary, forgery, bribery, assault and battery on the wife, bigamy, living in adultery, sodomy, incest, rape, miscegenation, crime against nature, or any crime punishable by imprisonment in the penitentiary, or of any infamous crime or crime involving moral turpitude; also, any person who shall be convicted as a vagrant or tramp, or of selling or offering to sell his vote or the vote of another, or of buying or offering to buy the vote of another, or of making or offering to make a false return in any election by the people or in any primary election to procure the nomination or election of any person to any office, or of suborning any witness or registrar to secure the registration of any person as an elector, or any person who has been convicted of disorderly conduct or breach of the peace with the wilful intention to incite to riot or to overthrow the laws of this state by taking part in any sit-in or stand-in demonstration.'

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"Section 2. An election upon the proposed amendment is ordered to be held on the date of the general election next succeeding the final adjournment of the current session of the Legislature. The election shall be held in accordance with the provisions of Sections 284 and 285 of the Constitution of Alabama, as amended, and Chapter 1, Article 18, Title 17 of the Code of Alabama 1940.

"Section 3. Notice of the election and of the proposed amendment shall be given by proclamation of the Governor, which proclamation shall be published once a week for four successive weeks next preceding the day appointed for the election in a newspaper in each county of the State. In every county in which no newspaper is published, a copy of the notice shall be posted at each courthouse and post office."

House bill 861 was passed by the Alabama House of Representatives with the following amendment: In the first paragraph, sixth line, delete the words "sit-in or stand-in" and substitute in lieu thereof the word "unlawful". In "Section 182", 23rd line, delete the words "sit-in or stand-in" and substitute in lieu thereof the word "unlawful". House bill 861, enacted by the House of Representatives, is presently being considered by the Senate of the State of Alabama, according to Mr. CHARLES COOPER, State Legislative Reference Service, Montgomery, Alabama, on August 27, 1963.

House bill 1176, introduced by Representative MALCOLM BETHEA of Jefferson County, Alabama, not yet entitled, reads as follows:

"To provide freedom of association for patrons of certain places of public accommodation and for passengers on public conveyances; prescribing rights, duties, and penalties.

"BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

"Section 1. Whenever a patron of a place of public accommodation or a passenger on a public conveyance desires freedom from personal contact or association with any other patron or passenger, he may refuse to

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STATE OF ALABAMA

share his table, booth, compartment, bench, seat or adjoining seat, or other like accommodations in the establishment or conveyance, and the proprietor, keeper, manager, superintendent, or person in charge of the establishment or conveyance, and his or its employees, shall prevent any disturbance or invasion of such patron's or passenger's rights as declared herein. If the proprietor, keeper, manager, superintendent, or person in charge of the establishment or conveyance fails or refuses to secure such rights for a patron or passenger, as the case may be, the offended party shall be entitled to recover such punitive damages, not exceeding \$5,000, as the jury may assess. Whoever wilfully deprives another of his rights as guaranteed by this Act is guilty of a misdemeanor and may be fined not more than \$500 or imprisoned for not more than six months.

"Section 2. All laws or parts of laws which conflict with this Act are repealed.

"Section 3. The provisions of this Act are severable. If any part of the Act is declared invalid or unconstitutional, such declaration shall not affect the part which remains.

"Section 4. This Act shall become effective immediately upon its passage and approval by the Governor, or upon its otherwise becoming a law."

House bill 1176 is presently in the House Judiciary Committee, according to Mr. JOHN W. PIMBERTON, Clerk, Alabama House of Representatives, on August 27, 1963.

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RACIAL SITUATION, STATE OF ALABAMA, SELMA, ALABAMA. RM.
REMOTEL TODAY.

VOTER REGISTRATION RALLY TERMINATED TEN FIFTEEN P. M. CST
TONIGHT.

MAIN THEME OF MEETING CONTINUES TO BE VOTER REGISTRATION
ACTIVITY AND NO SIT INS OR OTHER DEMONSTRATIONS DISCUSSED

ESTIMATED ATTENDENCE TWO HUNDRED FIFTY TO THREE HUNDRED
NEGROES, SIXTY PERCENT TEEN AGERS.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI /157-6-61/

FROM SAC, MOBILE /157-367/

CRACIAL SITUATION. STATE OF ALABAMA. SELMA, ALABAMA.

RM.

VOTER REGISTRATION RALLY SCHEDULED FOR SEVEN THIRTY P. M., CENTRAL STANDARD TIME, TONIGHT, SELMA, ALABAMA, BAPTIST TABERNACLE CHURCH, CORNER OF MINTER AVENUE AND BROAD STREET. CAPACITY CROWD EXPECTED. PRINCIPAL SPEAKER IDENTIFIED AS E. TURNER, PRESIDENT, PERRY COUNTY, ALABAMA VOTERS LEAGUE.

LOCAL MILITARY AND LAW ENFORCEMENT AUTHORITIES NOTIFIED.

MOBILE FOLLOWING, WILL ADVISE. P.

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The Attorney General

September 3, 1963

Director, FBI

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RACIAL MATTERS; OBSTRUCTION
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Governor George C. Wallace of Alabama on September 2, 1963, issued an Executive Order No. 9 directing the Macon County, Alabama, Board of Education to delay the opening of Tuskegee High School, Tuskegee, Alabama, for a period of one week to allow the governor to preserve the peace, maintain domestic tranquility and to protect the lives and property of all citizens of Alabama. A copy of the Executive Order is attached.

In the early morning of September 2, 1963, a large number of Alabama Highway Patrol officers headed by Alvingo, Director of the Alabama Department of Public Safety, set up a blockade around Tuskegee High School and Tuskegee Grade School without prior notice to Tuskegee officials, the Tuskegee Police Department or the Macon County Sheriff's Office. All traffic was diverted from the area and no pedestrians were allowed near the schools.

Small groups of spectators, Negro and white, who gathered at the outskirts of the area dispersed when ordered to do so by officers of the Tuskegee Police Department. No order was observed and Bureau personnel took photographs of scene. Tuskegee city and Macon County officials did not participate in the blockade.

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The Macon County Board of Education on September 2, 1963, issued a statement that Macon County schools would remain open. This statement was made in the presence of Alabama Attorney General Richmond Flowers. In a press release on September 3, 1963, Governor Wallace criticized Flowers and stated he had given the school board the advice in counseling the board to issue a statement that schools would remain open. Wallace stated that constant harassment of board members and pressure by the Justice

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Department led the board to make the statement. Governor Wallace indicated his order concerning the postponement of the opening of schools would be strictly enforced.

On the evening of September 2, 1963, Governor Wallace spoke at Ensley Park, Birmingham, Alabama, and stated he has found the people of Alabama are behind his program and indicated his firm stand has brought support in other parts of the country particularly Ohio and Maryland. Wallace mentioned the recent March on Washington and stated it was led by communists and atheists and that the leader, Bayard Rustin, was a communist, convicted draft dodger and a sex offender. Wallace commented that President Kennedy spoke in defense of Rustin by saying it was in the American tradition that Rustin's past not be considered.

Governor Wallace indicated he had a plan for other schools in Alabama during his speech but did not elaborate. Wallace asked people to follow his leadership and to beat the present administration at the polls in November.

The National States Rights Party (NSRP), an anti-Negro and anti-Semitic organization with headquarters in Birmingham, was active over the week end. A motorcade of 50 cars proceeded from Birmingham to Montgomery, Alabama, on August 31, 1963, to deliver a petition calling for the closing of schools. The petition was delivered to a representative of the Governor. Dr. Edward R. Fields, Information Director of the NSRP, gave a speech on the Capitol steps in Montgomery in which he referred to you as a "traitor." Fields vehemently declared that Alabamians will not permit Negroes in white schools. Fields also stated that he would be on the schoolhouse steps to prevent integration with this banner, referring to a confederate flag. Fields also announced a rally on September 3, 1963, at Bessemer, Alabama.



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FROM DIRECTOR FBI

BEATING OF NEGRO, BUS STATION, MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA,
SEPTEMBER FOUR, NINETEEN SIXTY THREE, RACIAL MATTERS.

WASHINGTON, D. C., RADIO BROADCAST TODAY INDICATES TWO
MEN BEAT NEGRO IN BUS STATION, MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA, NIGHT
OF SEPTEMBER FOUR, NINETEEN SIXTY THREE. NEGRO WAS TRAVELING
WITH INTEGRATED GROUP. *B*

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STATE OF ALABAMA
SELMA, ALABAMA
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Attached herewith are eight copies of letterhead memo re voter registration rally held in Selma, Ala., night of 8/26/63.

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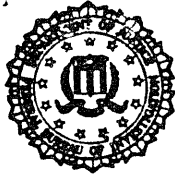
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Mobile, Alabama
August 27, 1963

RACIAL SITUATION
STATE OF ALABAMA
SELMA, ALABAMA

On August 26, 1963 [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Selma, Alabama, advised that a Negro voter registration rally would be held on the night of August 26, 1963 at the Baptist Tabernacle Church, corner of Broad Street and Minter Avenue, 7:30 p.m., CST. She stated the principal speaker would be "E. Turner," President of the Perry County, Alabama Voters League. She stated a capacity crowd of 400 to 500 Negroes was expected to attend the rally.

On August 26 and 27, 1963 [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Selma, Alabama, advised that the rally at the Baptist Tabernacle Church terminated at about 10:30 p.m., CST. No incidents occurred. An estimated crowd of 250 to 300 Negroes attended and sixty per cent of the crowd were teenagers. The crowd dispersed peacefully after the meeting and went to their homes.

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[REDACTED] furnished on August 27, 1963, the following
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The meeting opened 7:40 p.m., CST, with a song fest led by James Pritchett, Negro male, and the singing continued until about 8:10 p.m. At 8:10 p.m. Father Charles McNeece, white male, Assistant Pastor, St. Elizabeth's Catholic Church, Selma, spoke on voter registration. He told Negroes not to be discouraged when they received notice they were not qualified as a voter and they must return again and again to the board to become registered voters. He stated Negroes could go more than one time and not to let anyone tell them they could register only once.

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James Porter, Negro male, about 35 years of age, introduced an educational period led by Marie Foster, Negro female. Foster stated this was the

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time for the Negro to wake up, for the Negro to have a voice in Government, and that the Negroes were coming out of the slums and they needed their freedom. The Negroes could obtain their freedom by going to the courthouse and registering to vote.

Principal speaker, Albert ~~Turner~~, Negro male, about 35 years of age, identified as President of the Perry County, Alabama Voters League, stated as follows: APPROX. 1968

He was a taxpayer, but could not register to vote. He pointed out Negroes could not buy or eat where they wanted to, but Negroes could die for their country. He stated the "first person to die for the country was a Negro." He stated the Negro wanted nothing but what belonged to him and asked, "If we are not citizens and have no rights, why do we pay taxes?" He stated Negroes were not even citizens and pointed out, "they put dogs on you and the next day you go downtown and spend \$1.00 to help the man who put the dogs on you." He advised that the Negro was dissatisfied and when he got that way he intended to rise up and do something about it; that no matter how much taxes the Negro pays, he is still a Negro. He stated 5,000 Negroes in Perry County, Alabama are over 21 years of age and could be registered to vote. He pointed out that until Negroes get educated to vote and get on "solid ground" they were not going anywhere; that until Negroes have a say in who would be mayor, chief of police, or governor, they would have nothing. Turner stated Negroes are not the worst people in the world and "if you are treated right one time there is no turning around. If you ever find out how good things are out there, look out, things are going to be rough. We won't give them their freedom, but we will raise taxes on them. It won't be long now, things are beginning to roll. I have never seen a revolution."

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Turner said, "If I get anything, it will have to come from you (addressing the audience)." He stated Negroes had to stay together and be proud to be black, to be full citizens and to be able to vote. He asked a question, "What will you give for freedom?" Several in the audience responded, "blood." Turner concluded by stating, "They may take my life, my family, but they can't take what I know."

Amelia P. Boynton, Negro leader of Selma, spoke about the speech of Turner and stated, "It made our hearts burn."

Boynton referred to the march on Washington this week and said it was for the people who are tired of being mistreated. She stated the march was to help dissolve crises, to obtain freedom, the right to vote, civil rights and the right to desegregate schools. She concluded her talk by stating the collection amounted to \$102.45.

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Reverend L. L. Anderson, Pastor of the Baptist Tabernacle Church, told the Negroes to never be afraid to come to the meetings at this church and that it was always open to them. He stated when he got to Washington, D. C., this week he was going to stick out his chest and represent the Negroes in Dallas County, and he asked, "Do you love God? Do you love America? Are you willing to die?" The audience responded, "Yea, yea." Reverend Anderson pointed out that the Negro and the white man are brothers and that the "white man can't do everything. We're going to help him." He concluded by stating the next meeting would be the second Monday in September at the AME Church on Tremont Street. J. D. Pierce would be the main speaker.

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Re Motels 8/19/63.

On 8/20/63

[Redacted] Selma, Alabama, furnished
to Bureau agent [Redacted]

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night of 8/19/63 where a Negro Voter registration rally
was held. The enclosed letters of dissemination reflect

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Mobile, Alabama

RACIAL SITUATION
STATE OF ALABAMA
SELMA, ALABAMA

The following information was obtained [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Selma, Alabama, on August 20, 1963.

[REDACTED]

The meeting commenced at approximately 7:30 PM,
Central Standard Time, Brown's Chapel, 410 Sylvan Street, Selma,
Alabama. Approximately 300 Negroes were in attendance, com-
posed of nearly eighty percent teen-agers and sub-teen-agers.

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The first speaker was Mrs. AMELIA BOYNTON, owner
and manager, Boynton Insurance Agency, and Jet Employment
Agency, Selma, Alabama. She stated "your attendance here
reminds me of what you want. The occasion speaks for it-
self. There are thousands who are speaking for itself. The
Justice Department and the Federal Government knows and

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speaks of freedom. Until we have freedom through the world the world will stop. There have been white people who have been slaves.

"The people to be free are what we are fighting for. There has not a person gone to the top unless a Negro is responsible for it. So that is why we will not stop fighting for freedom. If it takes fighting that's what we will have to do."

The next speaker was identified as ~~MARIE FOSTER~~, Tuskegee, Alabama. She stated in part, "How many people went to the courthouse today to register? [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] six hands were raised.) How many will go next time? [REDACTED] eight hands were raised.) I have questionnaires for the ones who will go next time. It tells the rights of people. It tells how they are elected to office. Answers 13, 14 and 15 will tell you a few things. The man on the street should live morally high. A voteless person is a hopeless person. You should want to help make the laws you have to live by. We appeal to you for registration to vote. I'll help and act as your servant. Generations of Negroes have fought for their freedom, but so far that has not been done. In Negro history a Negro was pastor of an all white church. A proper learning to achieve what we want is what we are working for. What stone has been left unturned to degrade us. The country was theirs and they were willing to fight for us and die for us."

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The next speaker was the Reverend C. C. ~~BROWN~~, pastor, Reform Presbyterian Church, Selma, who was a substitute principal speaker for the Reverend CALVIN WOODS, Birmingham, Alabama, who was the scheduled principal speaker and who unexpectedly did not appear. Reverend BROWN stated in part, "We are gathered here to face a problem. It has not just started. It has been going on for some time. Color has started when cotton gins came. I can't say I can get up and speak for the Negro people because I can't."

"None will survive but full fledged citizens. All we want is our rights and our freedom and I believe we can get it. We want to be part of American society. Not to hurt anyone. But to be part of this community. We don't ask any special

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privileges but just to be able to vote. We don't want to fight. We don't want any chips on our shoulders. We want to have the right to help elect our officers. We want to be able to walk in the city building without being called a damn Negro. I don't believe in cussing. I want to be respected as a man not as a Negro. We want full citizenship in the community. But when we can't have that then we have nothing. Violence, that is not the way. Fighting and everything like that is out. We want to take on our own obligation".

The next speaker was Mrs. AMELIA BOYNTON, who has been previously identified. She stated again in part "they are putting on church programs in all churches on Sunday about next meetings. We want to patronize our own store so we won't have to go downtown. I understand several of you have been stopped at intersections, and told to turn around the church was full. If you have not broken the law then you come on. We want 100,000 people in Washington on march in D.C. but instead there will be 250,000 of all colors, white, red and black. We will have some there. The march will start Washington Monument and go to the Lincoln Memorial. The march will last three hours. Give to help us go to Washington. The price of tickets is \$15.50. Contact me at my insurance office".

The next speaker was the Reverend L. L. ANDERSON, pastor, Tabernacle Baptist Church, Selma. He stated in part, "I always have the right to speak. They said we couldn't have a mass meeting but we been having them ever since. Go down to register. If you just clap your hands you're not doing anything. I was stopped by the police and given a ticket for lights not being adjusted. He called me LEWIS. I didn't like that. I'm Reverend ANDERSON to him just as I am to you. I want to enjoy everything in Selma. Not just part of it. I want all of it now. If you got what it takes you can have it. If they can't hear they can see. I want freedom for everyone. If you go out tonight check your lights. If they are looking at each other leave it here, and all of you get in my car. As long as I'm in town we are going to fight for what is ours. Slavery is wrong. I'll die in my tracks if I have the preference of being a slave or free. Stop going downtown to spend

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your money with them. Spend it with your people. To be free we have to control our own economy. Don't let me see you downtown spending money."

The meeting concluded at 10:10 PM Central Standard Time and the participants of the meeting left for their homes promptly and quietly. No incidents were reported.

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From: Director, FBI

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STATE OF ALABAMA
SELMA, ALABAMA
RACIAL MATTERS

Re Mobile airtel 8/20/63.

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FROM : SAC, Mobile (157-367)(P)

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STATE OF ALABAMA
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How To: [redacted]

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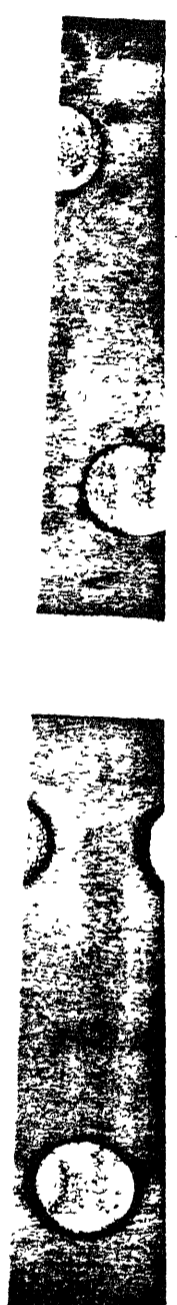
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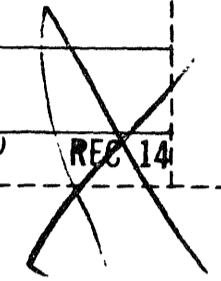
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Attached herewith are eight copies of letterhead memorandum re demand letters from Negro organization known as Dallas County Improvement Association, Selma, Alabama.

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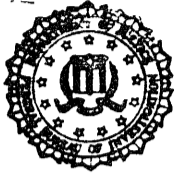
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Mobile, Alabama
September 4, 1963

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STATE OF ALABAMA
SELMA, ALABAMA

[REDACTED] Selma, Alabama, advised Special Agent [REDACTED] on September 3, 1963, that demand letters from a Negro organization identifying itself as the Dallas County Improvement Association, Selma, Alabama, had been delivered to various merchants in town. These letters requested elimination of racially integrated facilities in the downtown area and the upgrading and hiring of more Negroes in the businesses in Selma. [REDACTED] stated that the letters requested answers from the various business establishments by September 15, 1963, or "other measures would be taken". [REDACTED] stated he would assume these other measures would possibly be public demonstrations, and these would take place if the merchants did not comply with the Negroes' requests. [REDACTED] said several merchants had met on the morning of September 3, 1963 at the Chamber of Commerce in Selma with Sheriff James G. Clark, Jr., Circuit Judge James Hare, and Probate Judge Bernard Reynolds, and it is his understanding there will be no response by the merchants to these letters sent to them by the Dallas County Improvement Association. He also stated that leaflets were being distributed in the Selma area calling for demonstrations against segregation now, and these leaflets were signed Reverend Benny L. Tucker and Wilson Brown. [REDACTED] advised that he did not know if Tucker and Brown were connected with the organization identifying itself as the Dallas County Improvement Association.

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[REDACTED] Selma, advised SA [REDACTED] on September 3, 1963 that the Dallas County Improvement Association is an organization of Negro businessmen and other influential Negroes in Selma. [REDACTED] The two individuals, Reverend Benny L. Tucker [REDACTED] claim to be representatives of the Student

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Non-Violent Coordinating Committee of Atlanta, Georgia; however, they are not full time representatives of this organization and are considered by him to be "jack leg" operators. He stated that Bernard Lafayette, Jr. has left the Selma, Alabama area to return to school, and the Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee has not replaced him as yet with a full time field secretary. [REDACTED] pointed out that he considers Tucker and Brown as "impulsive", "youthful", and "persons who use extremely poor judgment". They are in no way connected with the Dallas County Improvement Association, headed by Edwin L. D. Moss as Chairman. [REDACTED] stated that Brown, previously identified herein, operated in the Gadsden, Alabama area as a representative of the Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] This caused Brown to be removed from the Gadsden area and sent to the Selma, Alabama area. [REDACTED] pointed out that Reverend Benny L. Tucker [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] emphasized that neither Tucker nor Brown have any influence over the Negroes in Selma, with the possible exception of a few teenagers in the high school, who desire to immediately effect some type of public demonstrations.

[REDACTED] stated that if the Dallas County Improvement Association does not receive any response to their demand letters, then shortly after the 15th of September, 1963, this organization will in all probability immediately organize public demonstrations and start "marching on the streets of Selma".

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The Attorney General

September 6, 1963

Director, FBI

RACIAL SITUATION
SCHOOL INTEGRATION MATTERS
STATE OF ALABAMA
RACIAL MATTERS; OBSTRUCTION
OF JUSTICE; BOMBING MATTERS
MOBILE

In conformity with a letter received from Assistant Attorney General Burke Marshall dated September 5, 1963, captioned "Unknown Subjects; Bombing of Residence of [redacted] Birmingham, Alabama, on Night of September 4 - 5, 1963," a full investigation concerning the bombing has been instituted.

With regard to the school situation in the State of Alabama, we have received the following information:

Officers of the Alabama Highway Patrol were moved to the cities of Huntsville and Mobile, Alabama, on the evening of September 5, 1963, in anticipation of the opening of schools in those cities on an integrated basis on September 8, 1963. There are approximately 100 members of the Alabama Highway Patrol in both localities.

Dr. Raymond Christian, Superintendent of Huntsville schools, received a telephone call on September 5, 1963, from Dr. Earl Morgan, Executive Secretary to Governor George C. Wallace, requesting a delay in the opening of Huntsville schools until September 9, 1963. Dr. Morgan reportedly told Dr. Christian that if the school board did not comply, the Governor would close the schools on September 6, 1963. The school board was offered an alternative that if the board could talk the four Negroes to be enrolled into waiting until Monday, September 9, 1963, to enter school, the Governor would not close the schools.

Information was received that the Huntsville School Board has decided to defy Governor Wallace and open the schools in Huntsville this morning, September 6, 1963, on an integrated basis.

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The Attorney General

[redacted] Mobile, Alabama, advised that he received a telephone call from Mr. Cecil Jackson, Legal Advisor to Governor Wallace, on September 5, 1963. Mr. Jackson told [redacted] that 100 members of the Alabama Highway Patrol had been ordered to Mobile. Mr. Jackson presumably on instructions from Governor Wallace told [redacted] in effect that if Murphy High School in Mobile accepts the Negroes, either the local authorities should close the schools or the state would do it. [redacted] subsequently advised that a similar demand had been made to the Mobile County School Board. The school board does not want to close Murphy High School and will request the two Negro students to wait until Monday, September 8, 1963, to enter school.

Negro leaders in Mobile have been contacted by representatives of [redacted] in an effort to have them agree that the two Negro students will not attempt to enter the high school prior to September 9, 1963. Reportedly, Negro leaders agreed to this request.

Mrs. Constance Baker Motley, an attorney for the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People representing Negro students entering Birmingham schools, filed two motions in United States District Court, Birmingham, on September 5, 1963. The first motion requests a temporary restraining order and temporary injunction directed to the Birmingham Board of Education and the Alabama State Board of Education to restrain them from closing the three affected schools. The second motion is for an order to show cause why Governor Wallace should not be brought into the suit as a party defendant and enjoined from interfering with the plan approved by the Federal court. A hearing is scheduled on the two motions today, September 6, 1963.

Senior United States District Judge H. Seybourn Lyon has scheduled a Federal grand jury session to begin September 16, 1963, to fully probe into any possible obstruction or interference by individuals or organizations with the orders of the United States District Court requiring desegregation of the three Birmingham schools.

United States Attorney Bacon L. Weaver and his assistant, E. Macey Taylor, requested that in conducting the grand jury session any reports that could be made available to them for

The Attorney General

assistance be furnished to them. Both men stated that although the Department had indicated some witnesses should be interviewed by the FBI prior to grand jury appearance, they did not agree to this. They felt strongly that the FBI could be of great assistance in lining up material concerning the identities of witnesses and facts which could be used for interrogation of witnesses. The opinions of Messrs. Weaver and Taylor in this regard were brought to the attention of Mr. Richard Wasserstrom and Mr. John L. Murphy of the Civil Rights Division on September 5, 1963. Mr. Murphy made a request for information available which would be helpful in conducting the grand jury session, including interviews of police officers and other eye witnesses to the violent-type action which occurred at the opening of Birmingham schools.

While the majority of officers of the Alabama Highway Patrol were moved from Birmingham on September 5, 1963, information was received that approximately 100 National Guardsmen are reported to be on stand-by duty at the Graymont Armory in Birmingham. These men are to serve as auxiliary members of the Alabama Highway Patrol.

On September 5, 1963, members of the Alabama Highway Patrol continued to prevent admission of students to the Tuskegee Elementary and Tuskegee High Schools. Captain Claude Prier of the Alabama Highway Patrol has informed Tuskegee Police officials that he anticipates the removal of his men on Friday evening, September 5, 1963. School officials expect to open school on September 5, 1963, unless they are prevented from doing so by the return of the Alabama Highway Patrol.

The Gaston Hotel in Birmingham received an anonymous bomb threat on the evening of September 5, 1963. The Birmingham Police Department investigated and no bomb was found. This is the same hotel which was bombed on May 11, 1963.

Information concerning the Alabama school situation has been furnished to Departmental attorneys on the scene in Alabama and to Mr. Richard Wasserstrom of the Civil Rights Division in Washington, D. C.

1 - The Deputy Attorney General

1 - Mr. Burke Marshall
Assistant Attorney General

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URGENT 9-10-63 12-59 AM FP
TO DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM SAC, MOBILE /157-367/

RACIAL SITUATION, STATE OF ALABAMA, SELMA, ALABAMA.
VOTE REGISTRATION RALLY TERMINATED APPROXIMATELY TEN THIRTY
PM TONIGHT. CROWD OF APPROXIMATELY THREE HUNDRED NEGROS
PRESENT AND THE MARCH AT WA. D. C. WAS DISCUSSED.

CROWD COMPRISED OF ABOUT FIFTY PER CENT TEENAGERS.

NO INCIDENTS OCCURRED AND CROWD DISPERSED IMMEDIATELY.

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FROM: SAC, MOBILE (157-367)(P)
SUBJECT: RACIAL SITUATION
STATE OF ALABAMA
SELMA, ALABAMA
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Transmitted herewith are eight copies of letterhead memorandum; each copy has two attachments. One is a copy of a letter to all businesses and the other is directed to the Selma Retail Merchants Association and signed EDWIN L. D. MOSS, Chairman, Dallas County Improvement Association.

Local law enforcement authorities are aware of the distribution of these letters as well as military authorities at Craig Air Force Base, Selma.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Mobile, Alabama
September 6, 1963

RACIAL SITUATION
STATE OF ALABAMA
SELMA, ALABAMA

On September 3, 1963 [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Selma, furnished the attached copies of two letters delivered to him [REDACTED] which letters were drawn up by the "Dallas County Improvement Association", one signed by EDWIN L. D. MOSS, Chairman.

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"August 29, 1963

"Selma Retail Merchants Association
Selma, Alabama

"Dear Sirs:

"The Dallas County Improvement Association, an organization composed of the Negro ministers, business and professional men of Selma, Dallas County, in a special meeting on Wednesday, August 28th, ordered that the following information be communicated to the Selma Retail Merchants Association by letter as early as practical.

"After reading in the newspaper that a special meeting of your Association had been called for today and realizing that this information should be brought to your attention for consideration at the earliest possible date, I have seen fit to have it delivered by carrier rather than by mail.

"The Dallas County Improvement Association is making every effort to keep a harmonious atmosphere existing in the area of race relation in the City of Selma, but at the same time to let it be known that the Negro Citizens here, too, are no different than those all over the country who are seeking those rights and freedoms that they feel they justly deserve - those privileges that will enable them to live with dignity and to assume those responsibilities that should be shared by all citizens. They want no more but it is natural that they want no less.

"It is our objective to establish communication now and to be always in a position to discuss our problems that we may reach some amicable conclusions without disrupting the orderly process of business in the city. We are making special efforts to try to solve these problems without outside intervention.

"In trying to do so, we first of all requested of the Mayor to select persons of his choice among the white businessmen of the city to meet with a sub-committee of this Association for the purpose of discussing our grievances, but the Mayor apparently does not agree with our thinking. Hardly any consideration has been given by the Mayor because of what he has described to this organization by our representative to him as 'being too busy at the time to discuss the matter.'

"For this reason we have decided to use the method of

individual contact by mail of every business in the city of Selma where Negro patronage is expected, and we are enclosing a copy of the letter they will receive. Surely it is hoped that your organization will see the necessity of giving sincere and Christian consideration to these requests at the earliest possible date, to the extent that you will encourage the business men of the City of Selma to grant these requests because they are fair and just. If they are not, then let us know what you consider to be fair and just.

"We see no reason to make demands or to make threats and we will not do so, but we feel sure that you must know that continued disregard of basic rights of the Negro Citizens cannot continue without growing discontent that may lead to discord and possibly unnecessary situations that have existed in many other cities. It is our sincere hope that our city will be spared these objectionable alternatives but we must have your assistance if they are to be averted.

"May we request some acknowledgement from your Association in regards to the requests being made of the businesses of the City and if you are interested in having a representative of your Association to discuss these matters with us.

"Very truly yours,

"DALLAS COUNTY IMPROVEMENT
ASSOCIATION

"By: Edwin L. D. Moss, Chairman

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"COPY OF LETTER TO ALL BUSINESSES

"The Dallas County Improvement Association acting for the Negro citizens of Selma, Dallas County, is making contact with management and proprietors of businesses in the city as regards employment of Negroes and general treatment of Negroes as customers.

"We have requested of the Mayor of the City to call certain white merchants of the city of his choice to discuss these problems with us but evidently he has not seen the importance of such an idea. In view of his decision in this matter, we find it necessary to make contact with each business making the following requests:

- "1. To upgrade Negro employees to sale clerks and stock clerks or hire additional Negroes to these positions, and to hire a representative number to fill these positions.
- "2. To pay all Negroes in your employ a livable wage.
- "3. To demand that your employees treat all customers with courtesy, and that your business make all customer facilities of the store available to all customers - white and Negro alike.
- "4. To remove all signs reading 'White' and 'Colored' from your premises.

"These requests are made in the interest of continued good and peaceful relationship, with the hope that each proprietor or manager will see the fairness in them - That he will immediately take action to comply.

"We see no reason to make this a threat, however, every business man must know that the Negro wants to do business now where it is appreciated. He desires to spend his money with those who treat him as a customer and give him the opportunity to benefit from its profits by giving him employment other than as janitors, maids and portars.

"We should like to have your decision on or before September 15, 1963. Refusal to give any answer will of necessity be concluded to mean you are not interested."

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RE: RACIAL SITUATION
STATE OF ALABAMA

Enclosed for the Bureau for their information and appropriate dissemination are 8 copies of letterhead memorandum concerning information furnished by [redacted] Atmore, Ala., re the beating of six Negro males by six white males at Atmore, Ala.

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SUBJECT: RACIAL SITUATION
STATE OF ALABAMA
SELMA, ALABAMA
RM

Attached herewith are eight copies of letterhead memorandum re participation of Sheriff's Posse, Selma, Alabama, in blocking school entrances at Tuskegee High School, Tuskegee, Alabama, on 9/3/63.

The confidential source of the Mobile Office referred to in attached letterhead memorandum is [redacted] whose identity is known to the Bureau.

Local military intelligence agencies advised.

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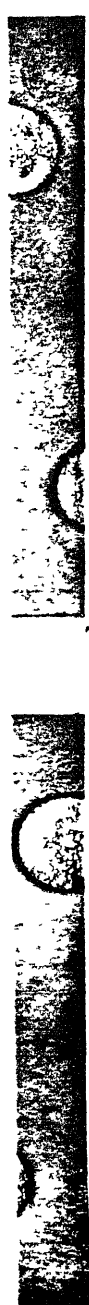
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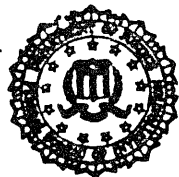


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Mobile, Alabama
September 4, 1963

RACIAL SITUATION
STATE OF ALABAMA
SELMA, ALABAMA

On September 3, 1963, the following sources reported that Sheriff James G. Clark, Jr. had called out available posse members of his Dallas County Sheriff's Office mounted posse, for duty at Tuskegee, Alabama during the early morning hours of September 3, 1963. Clark had taken approximately ten members of his mounted posse and their horses plus six of his deputies and traveled to Tuskegee, Alabama to assist the Alabama Highway Patrol in throwing up a cordon around Tuskegee High School, in order to assure that the school remained closed on September 3, 1963. These sources advised that they understood the aid of the Sheriff's Office posse of Dallas County had been requested by Governor Wallace through Public Safety Director Al Lingo:

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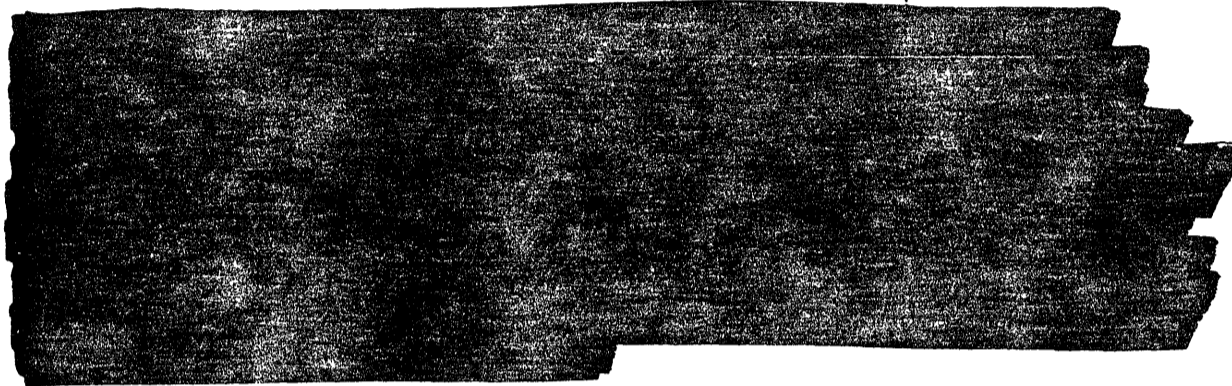
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SELMA, ALABAMA



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TO :
FROM :

Mr. Rosen *Rosen*

DATE: September 8, 1963

C. L. McGowan *McGowan*

SUBJECT:

PROPOSED TELEVISION SPEECH
OF ALABAMA GOVERNOR GEORGE C. WALLACE
SEPTEMBER 8, 1963
RACIAL MATTERS

Mobile

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St. John Barrett of the Civil Rights Division, Department of Justice, telephonically advised at 12:20 P.M., 9/8/63, that he understands Governor Wallace is to give a speech on local television in Alabama some time this evening. Barrett said he assumes that we are making arrangements to obtain a tape of the audio portion of the speech and he asked that the Civil Rights Division be furnished a typed transcription of same.

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SAC Ray Faisst, Birmingham Office, was telephonically contacted at 12:31 P.M., 9/8/63. He said that Governor Wallace is scheduled for a television appearance some time late today. This program will be carried by some Alabama television stations including Station WAPI in Birmingham. Faisst said he had not made any plans to obtain a tape of the audio portion of this speech but in view of Barrett's request the speech will be taped and typewritten transcripts suitable for dissemination will be forwarded the Bureau promptly.

SAC Faisst was told to also forward to the Bureau tonight a teletype summary of the gist of Governor Wallace's remarks in his television appearance. Faisst said this will be done.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI /157-6-61/
FROM SAC, MOBILE /157-367/ 1 P

RACIAL SITUATION. STATE OF ALABAMA. SELMA, ALABAMA. RM.
NEGRO VOTER REGISTRATION RALLY TO BE HELD TONIGHT AT
CHURCH BELIEVED TO BE ST. PAUL'S METHODIST CHURCH, FIFTEEN
HUNDRED TREMONT STREET. PRINCIPAL SPEAKER NOT IDENTIFIED AS
YES. CAPACITY CROWD EXPECTED.

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RACIAL SITUATION. STATE OF ALABAMA, SELMA, ALABAMA. RM.

RACIAL MATTER

SELMA RETAIL MERCHANTS ASSOCIATION HELD MEETING NIGHT OF
SEPTEMBER TEN, SIXTYTHREE REGARDING LETTERS SENT TO THE
ASSOCIATION BY A NEGRO ORGANIZATION KNOWN AS THE DALLAS COUNTY
IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION IN WHICH VARIOUS CONCESSIONS WERE
DESIRED OF THE MERCHANTS BY THE NEGROES. ESTIMATED TWO
HUNDRED SEVENTYFIVE BUSINESSES REPRESENTED. UNANIMOUS
DESISION MADE NOT TO RESPOND TO LETTERS OR GRANT CONCESSIONS.
LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AUTHORITIES ADVISED THE MERCHANTS AT
THE MEETING THEY HAVE LOCAL ORDINANCE PROHIBITING PARADES,
SIT-INS, AND OTHER TYPE DEMONSTRATIONS AND WILL ENFORCE SAME.
MASS NEGRO YOUTH RALLY LED BY REPRESENTATIVES OF SNCC TO BE
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[REDACTED] OTHER SOURCES EXPECT NEGRO DEMONSTRATIONS

NEXT WEEK AT SELMA, POSSIBLY LATTER PART OF WEEK.

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This information is being furnished Civil Rights Division of the Department and will be confirmed in writing to Assistant Attorney General Burke Marshall.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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TO : Mr. Rosen *RW*

DATE: September 11, 1963

FROM : C. L. McGowan *CLM*

SUBJECT: RACIAL SITUATION *MOBILE*
SCHOOL INTEGRATION MATTERS
STATE OF ALABAMA
 RACIAL MATTERS; OBSTRUCTION
 OF JUSTICE; BOMBING MATTERS

SA [redacted] of the Mobile Office was contacted at 6:30 a. m., 9/11/63, for information concerning the meeting of the Mobile County Citizens Council, which was scheduled to take place on the evening of 9/10/63.

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SA [redacted] stated he understood nothing of any pertinence occurred; however, [redacted]

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SA [redacted] stated he would make every effort to immediately ascertain pertinent details of the Council meeting and submit them to the Bureau.

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STATE OF ALABAMA
SELMA, ALABAMA
RM

Attached herewith are eight copies of letterhead memo re mass voter rally held September 9, 1963. Selma, Ala.

Local military intelligence agencies advised.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
Post Office Box 1389
Mobile, Alabama
September 10, 1963

RACIAL SITUATION
STATE OF ALABAMA
SELMA, ALABAMA

On September 9, 1963 [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Selma, Alabama advised SA [REDACTED] that a mass Voter Rally would be held on that evening at 7:30 P.M. CST at St. Paul's A.M.E. Church, 1500 Tremont Street, Selma. The principal speaker at the meeting had not been decided upon as yet but possibly would be Reverend L.L. ANDERSON, Negro Pastor of the Baptist Tabernacle Church, corner of Broad Street and Minter Avenue. The subject of the address was to be the march at Washington D. C. which occurred on 8/28/63.

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On September 10, 1963 [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] meeting of the Negro mass

voter rally at St. Paul's Church where 250 - 300 Negroes were present, about 50% being teenagers. [REDACTED]

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At 7:40 P.M. CST the rally was opened by a songfest led by Reverend C.C. HUNTER. After the songfest JAMES GILDERSLEEVE a Negro male who is connected with the Negro Lutheran High School in Selma, spoke concerning voter registration. He pointed out that a number of Negroes have been turned down from registering to vote in Dallas County, Alabama, however, they must continue to attempt to register and continue to have mass meetings in Selma. He stated that the Negroes must not be satisfied until all Negroes are voters.

Mrs. MARIE FOSTER, a Negro female, gave instructions to the crowd as to how to fill out voter application blanks and she spoke concerning the fact that Negroes must educate themselves to become first-class citizens. She stated that by 1970 it will take high skills to obtain a good job.

Mrs. AMELIA P. BOYNTON, Negro leader in Selma, gave the principal talk and summarized information on her attendance at the march at Washington, D. C. on 8/28/63. She stated that she had to push her way into the crowd and advised people in Washington that she was Chairman of the Dallas County, Alabama Movement for Voter Registration which allowed her to get close to the speaker's stand. She stated the march was covered by news media from all over the world and she summarized various talks made by various speakers at Washington.

The meeting was terminated about 10:30 P.M. CST and all Negroes attending the meeting dispersed and went to their homes.

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URGENT 9/13/63 11-57 PM CST
TO DIRECTOR, FBI /157-6-61/
FROM SAC, MOBILE /157-367/

RACIAL SITUATION, STATE OF ALABAMA, SELMA, ALABAMA. RM.
MASS NEGRO YOUTH RALLY HELD AT BROWNS CHAPEL AME CHURCH, SELMA, ALA., TERMINATED TEN P. M. CST TONIGHT. ESTIMATED ATTENDANCE TWO HUNDRED AND FIFTY NEGROES, EIGHTY TO NINETY PER CENT TEEN-AGERS. ENTIRE MEETING TAKEN UP WITH DISCUSSION OF CONTEMPLATED MARCH ON MONDAY, NINE SIXTEEN SIXTYTHREE. NEGRO ATTORNEY SPOKE AT MEETING AND ATTEMPTED TO GET NEGRO YOUTH TO DELAY MARCH UNTIL NINE TWENTYTHREE SIXTYTHREE AT WHICH TIME THE CITY COUNCIL OF SELMA WILL HAVE TIME TO RULE ON THIER REQUEST FOR A PERMIT TO PARADE. REPERSENTIVE SNCC INSISTED AT MEETING THAT NEGRO YOUTH MARCH ON MONDAY, NINE SIXTEEN SIXTYTHREE. [REDACTED] OF OPINION THAT ANY MARCH ON MONDAY NINE SIXTEEN SIXTYTHREE WILL BE QUOTE WILD CAT UNQUOTE MARCH AND WILL NOT BE CONDONED BY NEGRO MAJORITY. NO INCIDENTS OCCURED AND NEGROES DISPERSED TO THIER HOMES AFTER MEETING.

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GENERAL INVESTIGATION VISION

Date - 9-14-63

Information in attached telephonically furnished to Departmental Attorney Lou Kauder, Civil Rights Division, and will be furnished in writing to Assistant Attorney General Marshall.

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URGENT 9-15-63 4-00 PM CST VFP
TO DIRECTOR, FBI /157-6-61/ b7c
FROM SAC, MOBILE /157-367/ '2 P

RACIAL SITUATION, STATE OF ALABAMA, SELMA, ALA. *RM.*
Reference telephone conversation
RETELCON FROM SUPERVISOR [REDACTED] THIS DATE. *b7c*
Student Non Violent Co-ordinating Committee

SOURCES SELMA, ALA., STATE SNCC HAD CONTEMPLATED MARCH FOR
NINE SIXTEEN SIXTYTHREE AT SELMA. REPRESENTATIVES BENNY L. TUCKER
AND WISON BROWN AND SNCC SELMA, ALA., PETITIONED CITY COUNCIL AS
OF NINE THIRTEEN SIXTYTHREE FOR PERMIT TO PARADE. TUCKER AND
BROWN ADVISED BY SELMA PD THAT COUNCIL DOES NOT MEET IN REGULAR
SESSION UNTIL NINE TWENTYTHREE SIXTYTHREE, THEREFORE PETITION CAN
NOT BE RULED ON UNTIL THAT TIME. SNCC REPRESENTATIVES WERE ADVISED
BY J. L. CHESNUT, NEGRO ATTORNEY SELMA, ALA., THAT ANY MARCH MADE
ON NINE SIXTEEN SIXTYTHREE WOULD BE IN VIOLATION OF CITY ORDANCE
AND HE REQUESTED THEY DELAY MARCH UNTIL AFTER COUNCIL MEETING NINE
TWENTYTHREE SIXTYTHREE. SOURCES AMONG NEGROES SELMA, ALA., STATE
SNCC REPRESENTATIVES HAVE AGREED TO DELAY MARCH, HOWEVER WILL
HAVE SIT IN DEMONSTRATION AT SELMA ON NINE SIXTEEN SIXTYTHREE.
TWO SIT INS TO OCCUR SPACED THIRTY MINUTES APART. INFO DEVELOPED
AS TO NUMBER OF PERSONS INVOLVED OR EXACT LOCATION OF SIT INS.
THIS INFO IS EXPECTED TO BE DEVELOPED ON MORNING OF NINE SIXTEEN
SIXTYTHREE.

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cc: Mr. Rosen [REDACTED] b7c

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URGENT 9-16-63 10-52 AM CST TEK

TO DIRECTOR, FBI /157-6-61/

FROM SAC, MOBILE /157-367/ 2 P

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○ RACIAL SITUATION, STATE OF ALABAMA, SELMA, ALA. RM.

APPROXIMATELY FOUR TO FIVE HUNDRED NEGRO YOUTHS MASSES AT BROWNS CHAPEL AME CHURCH, SYLVAN ST., SELMA, ALA., EIGHT THIRTY AM, CST, TODAY. NEGRO LEADER STATED NO PROTEST MARCH WOULD BE CONDUCTED, HOWEVER RALLY BEING LED BY REV. BENNIE L. TUCKER, SNCC REPRESENTATIVE, AND HE MIGHT POSSIBLY CALL FOR SIT-IN DEMONSTRATIONS. [REDACTED] ADVISED SIT-INS TOOK PLACE AT DRUG STORES, SELMA, AT ABOUT TEN AM CST [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] TELEPHONICALLY ADVISED NEGRO YOUTHS ENGAGED IN SIT-INS WERE BEING BEATEN BY STORE OWNERS. REQUESTED DIRECT ACTION BY FBI AT SELMA, HOWEVER WAS ADVISED DEPARTMENT WOULD BE IMMEDIATELY NOTIFIED AND ANY INVESTIGATION WOULD BE INITIATED BY DEPT. AS, ACCORDING TO [REDACTED] NO POLICE BRUTALITY INVOLVED. [REDACTED]

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URGENT 9-13-63 3-32 PM CST BJB
TO DIRECTOR, FBI /157-6-61/
FROM SAC, MOBILE /157-367/ 2 P

RACIAL SITUATION. STATE OF ALABAMA. SELMA, ALABAMA.
RM.

SOURCES AT SELMA STATE INFORMATION RECEIVED NEGRO YOUTH
PLAN SIT-INS AND POSSIBLE STREET TYPE PROTESTS ON MONDAY,
SEPTEMBER SIXTEEN, SIXTYTHREE. UNIDENTIFIED CALLER CONTACTED
WSFA TV, MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA LAST NIGHT AND ADVISED NEWS
DEPARTMENT THAT STATION TO BE IN SELMA ELEVEN O-CLOCK A. M.
MONDAY IF THEY DESIRED NEWS COVERAGE OF PROTESTS. SOURCES
^{STUDENT NON-VIOLENT COORDINATING COMMITTEE}
REPORT ~~SAC~~ HAS ORGANIZED ONE HUNDRED TWENTYFIVE NEGRO
YOUTHS TO DEMONSTRATE MONDAY. OLDER NEGRO LEADER STATES
HE COULD POSSIBLY STOP DEMONSTRATION IF POSITIVE EFFORTS MADE
BY BUSINESS LEADERS SELMA TO ESTABLISH COMMUNICATION WITH
NEGROES AND DISCUSS NEGRO DEMANDS AND MAKE CONCESSIONS. BUSI-
NESS LEADER ADVISED HE IS ATTEMPTING TO ORGANIZE BUSINESS
GROUP TO TALK TO NEGRO LEADERS, HOWEVER, FEELS MAY HAVE

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STARTED TOO LATE TO STOP DEMONSTRATIONS. BUSINESS LEADER
FEELS IF DEMONSTRATIONS OCCUR HIS EFFORTS TO POSSIBLY FORM
BIRACIAL COMMITTEE WILL FAIL.

LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AND MILITARY AUTHORITIES COGNIZANT
OF SITUATION AT SELMA.

LETTERHEAD MEMO FOLLOWS.

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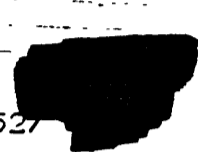
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9/16/63

Previous information received that Negroes in Selma, Alabama, intended to demonstrate in Selma on 9/16/63. Department had requested photographing of any demonstrations. Mobile has been advised but in view of the attached, demonstrations may not occur.

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U R G E N T 9/13/63 7-20 PM CST CCM
TO DIRECTOR, FBI /157-4-61/ AND SAC, BIRMINGHAM /100-4752/
FROM SAC, MOBILE /157-357/

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RACIAL SITUATION, SCHOOL INTEGRATION MATTERS, RM, OOJ.
RE MOBILE TELETYPE NINE FIFTY A. M., TODAY.

NEGRO STUDENTS AT TUSKEGEE JUNIOR - SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL
CONTINUED CLASSES THROUGH THE DAY AND LEFT FOR HOME TWO FORTY
FIVE P. M., WITHOUT INCIDENT.

FEDERALIZED NATIONAL GUARD BEING REDUCED IN FORCE.
COL. CHARLES M. STOKES OF TALLASSEE, ALA., ADVISED HE WILL BE
IN CHARGE OF FORCE AND WILL OPERATE TWO SEPARATE TWENTYFIVE
MEN DETACHMENTS TO BE CHANGED DAILY AT EIGHT A. M., AND THREE
P. M.



PRIVATE SCHOOL FOUNDATION, WHICH MET LAST NIGHT. SAYS GROUP
NOW HAS OVER TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS IN CASH AND ARE NOT LOOKING
FOR STATE ASSISTANCE. GROUP REGARDS TAX MONEY AS QUOTE TAINTED
UNQUOTE AND WANTS TO PROCEED ON PRIVATE RESOURCES.

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[REDACTED] MERCHANT, ADVISED NEGRO BOYCOTT OF WHITE STORES, ALTHOUGH NOT A FORMAL BOYCOTT, IS IN EFFECT, AND NOTICED BY MERCHANTS. HE STATED NEGRO LEADER A. G. ~~GASTON~~ OF BIRMINGHAM, ALA. A WEALTHY MAN WHO HAS INFLUENCE IN TUSKEGEE, SAID HE WOULD USE HIS INFLUENCE TO TRY AND STOP THE BOYCOTT.

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AT MOBILE TWO NEGRO STUDENTS LEFT MURPHY HIGH SCHOOL BY THE SOUTH WING AT TWO FORTYSEVEN P. M., AND WERE PICKED UP BY AUTOMOBILE WITHOUT INCIDENT.

[REDACTED] REPORT THAT MOBILE COUNTY CITIZENS COUNCIL WILL HOLD PUBLIC MEETING IN MOBILE TUESDAY NIGHT, SEPTEMBER SEVENTEEN, SIXTYTHREE, AND ~~EUGENE~~ CONNOR OF BIRMINGHAM WILL BE MAIN SPEAKER. ALA.

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FROM FOUR TO SEVEN PERSONS HAVE BEEN PICKETING F. W. WOOLWORTH STORE, MOBILE, TODAY CARRYING BANNERS IDENTIFYING THEMSELVES WITH MOBILE CITIZENS COUNCIL. THE WOOLWORTH STORE HAS AN INTEGRATED LUNCH COUNTER.

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Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL
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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (157-4-61)
FROM : SAC, MOBILE (157-357)(P)
SUBJECT: RACIAL SITUATION
SCHOOL INTEGRATION MATTERS
RM; OOJ

Re Mobile airtel to the Bureau, 9/12/63, transmitting letterhead memorandum.

Enclosed are 8 copies of letterhead memorandum reflecting information concerning the integration situation at Tuskegee and Mobile, Alabama, for Thursday, 9/12/63. This memorandum is being disseminated locally to intelligence agencies.

The confidential source mentioned in this letterhead memorandum is [redacted] whose identity is known to the Bureau, and who furnished the information to SA [redacted]

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- 2 - Mobile (1 - 157-357) (1 - 100-1460)

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Approved: *[Signature]*
Special Agent in Charge
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
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Mobile, Alabama
September 13, 1963

RACIAL SITUATION
SCHOOL INTEGRATION MATTERS

Mobile, Alabama

At Murphy High School, a crowd of white students were observed together in front of the school at about 7:30 a.m., September 12, 1963. At 8:00 a.m., a crowd of about 150 students, of which an estimated 100 were boys, did not enter the school building, but began to march around the area to the rear of the school. Four or five members of the Sheriff's Office mounted posse broke up the gathering there, and at about 8:15 a.m., this group started leaving the school area.

The two Negro students arrived at Murphy High School and entered the building through a rear entrance at about 8:00 a.m. without incident. Mobile Police Department and Sheriff's Office men were patrolling the area.

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[REDACTED] No information was received indicating any improper force was used by police authorities in connection with the arrests.

The Mobile Press, afternoon newspaper published at Mobile, Alabama, reported that the number of Murphy High School students docketed at the Police Department was 54, rather than 56, as earlier reported. The article reflected that the students had been blocking traffic on Government Street. The news article reflected that there were 47 boys and 7 girls arrested. Forty-one of the students were released on bond of \$100 each, signed by Harry D. Hardy, Chairman of the Legal Committee of the Mobile County Citizens Council. Hearings were set for September 25 through 27, 1963. The article continued that the other 13 students were under 16 years of age and were turned over to juvenile authorities, prior to being released to their parents. All were lectured by City Commissioners Joseph N. Langan and George E. McNally before being released.

The two Negro students at Murphy High School left the school at 2:44 p.m. by a private automobile for their homes, without incident.

On the morning of September 12, 1963, [REDACTED] advised that he had received a phone call that morning from Cecil Jackson, legal advisor to Alabama Governor George Wallace, at Montgomery, Alabama, protesting the arrest of the Murphy High School students. Jackson informed [REDACTED] that Governor Wallace considered this action the worst thing that could have been done. [REDACTED] informed Jackson that the students were not arrested on school property, and it was not the responsibility of the School Board. b7D

Tuskegee, Alabama

Thirteen Negro students arrived at Tuskegee High School between 7:40 a.m. and 8:00 a.m., September 12, 1963,

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SCHOOL INTEGRATION MATTERS

accompanied by their parents. There was no disorder. Only a few white students were observed at the senior and junior high school building.

[REDACTED] advised that a meeting had been held on the night of September 11, 1963 of students and parents, and it had been decided that the senior white students would seek to transfer to Shorter High School, a white segregated high school in Macon County, in order that they might graduate together. It was reported that 20 of the 44 white senior students from the high school are in this group, the others having previously moved from the community or transferred to other schools.

[REDACTED] reported that a Freedom of Choice committee was to hold a meeting on the night of September 12, 1963, to pursue efforts concerning forming a private white school.

[REDACTED] and [REDACTED] informed that white sentiment in Tuskegee against integrated schools is unyielding, and they do not believe that there will be any white students in Tuskegee High School after this week. They predicted a substantial exodus of white families from the community during the next few months, this already having commenced. [REDACTED] stated that he is observing "the death of a town."

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At 9:20 a.m., September 12, 1963, [REDACTED] stated that the few white students who came to the high school that morning left after obtaining school material, and now the white boycott of the senior-junior high school is complete. The only students in the senior-junior high school are the 13 Negroes.

The 13 Negro students left Tuskegee High School at the close of school on the afternoon of September 12, 1963, in personal automobiles, without difficulty. There were no demonstrations.

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[REDACTED] predicted mass teacher resignation, and indicated that he is seeking another position. [REDACTED] stated that his daughter was one of the last to withdraw, stating "she could not take it anymore." [REDACTED] advised that he has given up any hope of the school remaining open, but is unwilling to give up hope for the town. He said that rumors are circulating that there will be an economic boycott of white merchants by the Negro community in reaction to withdrawal of the white students.

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[REDACTED] reported that School Superintendent Clyde A. Pruitt went to Montgomery, Alabama, September 12, 1963, for a conference with the State Attorney General and United States District Judge Frank M. Johnson, who had ordered the integration of Tuskegee High School.

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Mobile, Ala.

Sep. 10, 1963

Mr. E. Edgar Hoover,
Chief of Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Hoover :

Can you give me some information ^{on} **[redacted]** ^{b7c}
Is he a Communist? He came to Mobile
and they claim he has nothing
to do with Communism.

What is this Southern Regional Council, Inc.
of Atlanta, Ga. Who is the head of that? And are any of
the leaders or officers Communists? ²

You are held in the highest regards by
every one and my son-in-law, **[redacted]** ^{b7c} worked
for you once and says there will never be another J.
Edgar Hoover.

We are blessed to have a man of your
integrity in America.

The majority of people in Mobile are
awake and fighting for their survival and our Country
which our forefathers founded and died for. 157-6-61-300

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Respectfully,
SEP 18 1963

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CORRESPONDENCE
PEOPLE'S UNIT

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157-6-61-300

September 16, 1963

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[Redacted]

Mobile, Alabama

Dear [Redacted]

Your letter of September 10th has been received. Thank you for your kind sentiments and thoughtful remarks concerning my administration of the FBI. It is my hope that my future endeavors will continue to merit the support of both you and [Redacted]

With regard to your specific inquiries, the FBI, being an investigative agency of the Federal Government, neither makes evaluations nor draws conclusions as to the character or integrity of any organization, publication or individual. In addition, information contained in the files of this Bureau must be maintained as confidential pursuant to regulations of the Department of Justice. I regret I cannot be of assistance to you but trust you will fully understand my position.

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Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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NOTE: No record of correspondent in Bufiles as [Redacted] or [Redacted] was formerly employed by the Bureau as a Junior Clerk-Typist, EOD 2/16/42, resigned 9/16/42.

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Bufiles indicate that [REDACTED] is active in the integration movement in Alabama. He has been interviewed by Bureau Agents and has extended cooperation. He has furnished information concerning Hunter O'Dell, the alleged communist associate of Reverend Martin Luther King. He is a member of the Southern Regional Council, Inc., (SRC).

SRC has not been investigated by the Bureau. It was founded in 1944 and operates in a tax exempt status. The official organ of this organization is entitled "New South." There appears to be a certain amount of affiliation with the Southern Conference for Human Welfare, cited by the House Committee on Un-American Activities as a communist front.

Alabamians Behind Local Education (ABLE) was founded in Mobile, Alabama, in June, 1963. It is alleged that more than 100 local prominent citizens are charter ^{members} of this nonprofit organization. Their statement of purpose indicates that they take no stand on racial issues and that the prime concern of the organization is the finest education available for the children. They do not favor closing schools because of segregation and wish no break in the schooling of the children.

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FROM: SAC, MOBILE (157-367) (P)
SUBJECT: RACIAL SITUATION
STATE OF ALABAMA
SELMA, ALABAMA
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Attached herewith are 8 copies of letterhead memorandum regarding meetings which have occurred in Selma, Alabama and with reference to captioned situation.

Local authorities and military authorities have been advised.

For the information of the Bureau [redacted] advised SA [redacted] 9/10/63 that he had obtained information which may only be "talk" among the Negroes of Selma that Departmental Attorney JOHN DOAR is to appear in Selma within the next few days and "organize demonstrations by Negroes in this area." [redacted] stated that this information is hard for him to believe, however, he is maintaining contact with Negro sources and other sources to determine "just how far the United States Department of Justice will go in organizing Negroes to violate city and county ordinances."

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9/16/63

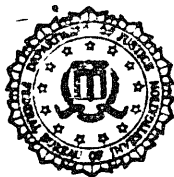
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Post Office Box 1389
Mobile, Alabama
September 11, 1963

RACIAL SITUATION
STATE OF ALABAMA
Selma, Alabama

On September 7, 1963 [REDACTED]

Selma, Alabama advised SA [REDACTED]

On Friday night September 6, 1963 [REDACTED]
a meeting of some twenty-thirty teenage Negroes at the
Canteen. The meeting was being led by Reverend BENNY L.
TUCKER, a young Negro male and a "jack leg" operator of
the SNCC in the Selma area. TUCKER had managed to "incite"
the young Negroes and to raise their emotions to a "fever
pitch." TUCKER was calling for street demonstrations and
public marches [REDACTED] One
teenager yelled "Let's hit the streets." [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] told them there would
be no marching from that hall. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] pointed out that TUCKER has been thoroughly
"chewed out" for his type of actions and it has been impressed
upon the teenagers and the Negroes as a whole to remain
calm until merchants and city authorities have a chance to
act upon the "demand letters" which were delivered to the
merchants in Selma. [REDACTED] stated that some response
was expected by September 15, 1963.

On September 10, 1963 [REDACTED] stated that
a mass Negro youth rally would be held at Ward's Chapel
A.M.E. Church on the night of September 13, 1963 at
7:30 P.M. CST. This rally was to be led by BENNY L. TUCKER
and WILSON BROWN who are supposed to be representatives of
the SNCC in the Selma area. He stated that a preliminary
meeting of the Negro youth mass rally would be held at the

Canteen on the night of September 10, 1963. He advised that

[REDACTED] a meeting of the Dallas County Improvement Association of which EDWIN L. D. MOSS is the Chairman. [REDACTED] has attempted to get a full time Field Secretary of the SNCC to come into Selma to lead the Negro youth and remove the leadership from the hands of such individuals as TUCKER and BROWN who do not appear capable of handling the youth movement without causing violence. [REDACTED] unable as yet to obtain responsible leadership for the Negro youth. He pointed out that in his opinion the SNCC has "stirred up the youth" and now they have left the situation in the hands of inexperienced individuals such as TUCKER and BROWN.

On September 11, 1963 [REDACTED] stated that nothing definite was decided at the Negro youth meeting at the Canteen on the night of September 10, 1963. [REDACTED] stated [REDACTED] emphasized to the group the need for thorough planning in organizing any demonstration, and as yet they have not definitely planned any procedures for carrying out a demonstration. [REDACTED] advised [REDACTED] felt the demonstrations would possibly occur the latter part of the week ending September 20, 1963 because the Negro youth at present are not fully prepared to demonstrate and they are only developing support at this time for a demonstration.

On September 9, 1963 [REDACTED] Selma, Alabama advised that a meeting was held at the Dallas County Chamber of Commerce on September 2, 1963 in which the "demand letters" delivered to the merchants in Selma were discussed by city and county officials together with various merchants. It was decided at the meeting, according to what little information he had obtained, that the Chamber of Commerce wanted to call a meeting of white organizations in Selma such as civic clubs, merchant associations, etc. and organize a course of action to be taken. It was generally believed that if these organizations would "stand pact" as one united front that the racial situation would be eliminated for at least this year.

On September 11, 1963 [REDACTED] stated that a meeting was held by the Selma Retail Merchants Association [REDACTED] on the night of September 10, 1963. Approximately 275 local businesses in Selma were represented and it was a unanimous decision of all concerned that no concessions would be granted to the Negroes which concessions were asked for in the "demand letters" sent to the merchants by a Negro organization known as the Dallas County Improvement Association. A city ordinance barring parades, sit-ins, and other type demonstrations was read to the merchants and they were advised by the Police Department and Sheriff's

Office that this ordinance would be enforced as long as it was "on the books" against both white and Negro people. Chairman of the Selma Merchants Association is JULIAN LILLIANTHAL, partner in LILLIANTHAL Clothing Store, Broad Street, Selma, Alabama and the Secretary of the association is ROBERT ARMSTRONG, manager of the Selma Stationery Store, Broad Street, Selma, Alabama.

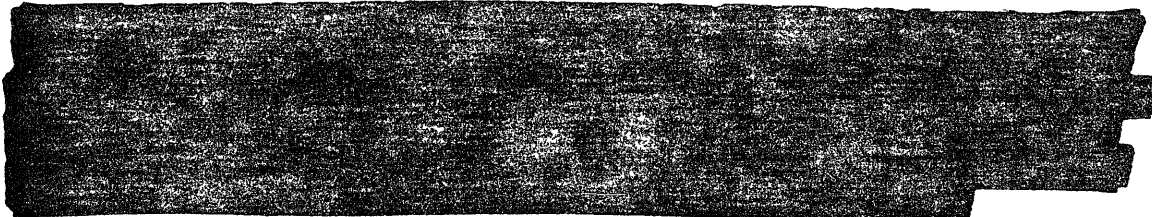
On September 10, 1963 [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] stated that a meeting of merchants, various organizations and other individuals who desired to attend would be held on the night of September 10, 1963 at Dallas County Courthouse. He stated that he also heard that Negroes would meet at the Canteen at St. Elizabeth's Catholic Church on the evening of September 10, 1963. This meeting at the Canteen, according to [REDACTED] was to be a meeting led by the SNCC.

On Friday September 13, 1963 another Negro mass rally would be held at Ward's Chapel A.M.E. Church, 801 Philpot Avenue, Selma, Alabama. [REDACTED] stated he expected demonstrations to start in Selma on about September 16, 1963.

[REDACTED] he further stated that he understands that the Merchants Association is preparing to grant no concessions to Negroes.

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URGENT 9-16-63 2-31 PM CST TEK
TO DIRECTOR, FBI /157-6-61/ AND SAC, BIRMINGHAM
FROM SAC, MOBILE /157-367/ 3 P

RACIAL SITUATION, STATE OF ALABAMA, SELMA, ALA.
RE MOBILE TEL SEPT. SIXTEEN, SIXTY THREE.

BETWEEN EIGHT THIRTY AND NINE A. M. C. S. T., NEGRO YOUTHS
MET EN MASSE AT BROWNS CHAPEL, AME CHURCH, SELMA. HELD
SONG FEST AND RALLY. AT EN A.M., NEGRO YOUTHS STAGED
SIT-INS AT FOLLOWING DRUGSTORES AND RESTAURANT, SELMA.
CARTER/S WALGREEN AGENCY, PILCHER-MC BRYDE, TILLMAN/S,
SWIFT/S, TIM/S CAFE. AT CARTER/S, A YOUNG NEGRO MALE
AND FEMALE SAT DOWN AT COUNTER. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] IS ALLEGED TO HAVE STRUCK NEGRO MALE WITH STICK ON
HEAD AND THESE DEMONSTRATORS LEFT. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] NEGRO

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NEGRO

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

SELMA, ALA.

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SELMA, ALA.

NEGRO

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SELMA, ALA.

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INFO

DEVELOPED SOME NEGRO LEADERS AND GROUP OF NEGROES FROM
BIRMINGHAM TO ARRIVE SELMA, AFTERNOON OF SEPT. SIXTEEN,
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SIXTYTHREE, TO AID IN ORGANIZING DEMONSTRATIONS.

BIRMINGHAM ADVISE IF INFO AVAILABLE RE NEGROES COMING
TO SELMA. NEGROES STILL HOLDING MASS MEETING AT BROWNS
CHAPEL AS OF ONE P.M. C.S.T., SELMA.

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BH 2-42 PM OK FBI BH JSB

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. Belmont *WB*

DATE: 9-17-63

FROM : A. Rosen *JRM*

SUBJECT: RACIAL SITUATION
SCHOOL INTEGRATION MATTERS
STATE OF ALABAMA
RACIAL MATTERS

Tolson	_____
Belmont	_____
Mohr	_____
Casper	_____
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Conrad	_____
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Evans	_____
Gale	_____
Rosen	_____
Sullivan	_____
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Holmes	_____
Gandy	_____

Mobile, Alabama

SAC Dalness advised that the Murphy High School in Mobile opened this morning and the Negro pupils walked into the school. There were no incidents and no crowds.

At Tuskegee, Alabama, the 13 Negroes continue to be the only students attending at Tuskegee High School. No incidents occurred this morning upon the opening of school.

Birmingham, Alabama

Deputy U. S. Marshals escorted Negro children to school at Graymont Elementary and Ramsey High School. There were no crowds and no incidents. No U. S. Marshals were observed at the West End High School.

The Negro children entered the Huntsville, Alabama, schools this morning. There were no crowds and no incidents.

ACTION

The Civil Rights Division of the Department is being advised and confirmation in writing will be made to Assistant Attorney General Burke Marshall.

- 1 - Mr. Mohr
- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Evans

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URGENT 9-17-63 4-55 PM CST TEK

TO DIRECTOR, FBI /157-6-61/

FROM SAC, MOBILE/157-367/ 1 P

RACIAL SITUATION, STATE OF ALA., SELMA, ALA. RM.

RE MOBILE TELS SEPT. SIXTEEN, SIXTY THREE.

NEGROES BEGAN CONGREGATING AT BAPTIST TABERNACLE CHURCH, BROAD ST. AND MINTER AVE., SELMA, EIGHT THIRTY

A.M., C.S.T. TODAY. THIRTY SIX NEGROES STOPPED ON WASHINGTON STREET SHORTLY BEFORE NOON WHILE PARADING TOWARD

DOWNTOWN SECTION OF SELMA. ALL DISPERSED WHEN SELMA POLICE INFORMED THEM IF THEY PERSISTED IN PARADING WITHOUT

PERMIT, THEY WOULD BE SUBJECT TO ARREST. AT ABOUT ONE P.M., C.S.T. EIGHTEEN PICKETS ARRESTED AT CARTER DRUGS

PILCHER-MC BRYDE DRUGS, AND JACKSON CLOTHING STORE, ALL ON BROAD STREET, SELMA FOR VIOLATION OF CITY ORDINANCE IN

WHICH PICKETS MUST REMAIN TEN FEET APART. NO INCIDENTS OF VIOLENCE REPORTED. AS OF THREE ELEVEN P.M., C.S.T.,

NEGROES DISPERSED RALLY AT CHURCH AND ARE TO RE-ASSEMBLE TOMORROW MORNING, WARD/SCHAPEL, AME CHURCH.

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Date: 9/13/63

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FROM: SAC, MOBILE (157-367) (P)
SUBJECT: RACIAL SITUATION
STATE OF ALABAMA
SELMA, ALABAMA
RM

Transmitted herewith to the Bureau are 8 copies of letterhead memo re caption.

Local military authorities advised.

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ENCLOSURE

Agency G-2, ONI, OSI, CRD

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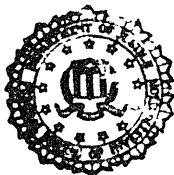
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
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Post Office Box 1389
Mobile, Alabama
September 13, 1963

RACIAL SITUATION
STATE OF ALABAMA
SELMA, ALABAMA

On September 13, 1963 [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Selma, Alabama advised Special Agent [REDACTED] that he received information from a source he could not divulge that an individual called WSFA TV station in Montgomery, Alabama and advised that station to have someone in Selma, Alabama by 11:00 A.M. on Monday morning, September 16, 1963 if they desired to cover sit-in demonstrations and possibly street marches.

On September 13, 1963 [REDACTED]

WSFA TV, Montgomery, Alabama advised Special Agent [REDACTED] that an unidentified individual contacted [REDACTED] on the night of September 12, 1963 at Station WSFA TV and advised [REDACTED] that sit-in demonstrations, etc. were to take place in Selma at 11:00 on Monday morning, September 16, 1963. According to [REDACTED] said that it sounded like a Negro male who made the call. [REDACTED] stated that [REDACTED] correspondent at Selma, Alabama had been alerted to the possibility of this situation taking place Monday, however, WSFA TV did not plan to afford any other coverage at this time.

On September 13, 1963 [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] advised Special Agent [REDACTED] that he had talked to a Negro minister, Reverend [REDACTED] on the morning of September 13, 1963 and [REDACTED] advised him that Benny L. Tucker and Wilson Brown, who are allegedly representatives of the Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee (SNCC) have organized 125 Negro youths to demonstrate in Selma, Alabama on Monday morning, September 16, 1963. [REDACTED] stated that [REDACTED] attempting to "head off" this demonstration but to date had not been successful.

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On September 12 and 13, 1963 [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Selma, Alabama advised Special Agent [REDACTED] that he had been attempting to organize a group of business leaders in Selma to establish contact with the Negro leaders in Selma in order to discuss their demands and to arrive at a common ground of understanding whereby the business people in Selma could make concessions to the Negroes. He stated that he feels that possibly he has started to organize his group too late to avoid any Negro demonstrations; however, he intends to contact a Negro leader on the morning of September 13, 1963 to possibly discuss the idea of getting together and forming a biracial committee. On September 13, 1963 [REDACTED] stated that he has not as yet contacted any Negro leader in Selma but intends to do so on September 13, 1963.

September 13, 1963 [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] He stated that he is cognizant of the fact that TUCKER and BROWN of the SNCC intend to have Negro youth demonstrating on Monday, September 16, 1963; however [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] He advised that if some communication was established between he, the business leaders in Selma and the Dallas County Improvement Association whereby positive efforts would be made in Selma to meet Negro demands that he could possibly stop any type of sit-ins or marches by the Negro youth.

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Attached is a copy of an order prepared in the Department and delivered to the White House at 8:00 this morning.

This order presumably will be signed by the President, federalizing the Alabama National Guard, and thus removing them from the authority of Governor Wallace and permitting them to be used to enforce integration in the Alabama schools.

EXECUTIVE ORDER

ASSISTANCE FOR REMOVAL OF UNLAWFUL OBSTRUCTIONS TO JUSTICE IN THE STATE OF ALABAMA

RACIAL SITUATION - mobile

Mr. Tolson
Mr. DeLoach
Mr. Casper
Mr. Callahan
Mr. Conrad
Mr. Felt
Mr. Gale
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Sullivan
Mr. Tavel
Mr. Trotter
Mr. Tele. Rm.
Miss Holmes
Miss Gandy

WHEREAS, on September 11, 1963, I issued a proclamation entitled "Obstructions of Justice in the State of Alabama" pursuant in part to the provisions of Section 334 of Title 10 of the United States Code; and

WHEREAS the commands contained in that proclamation have not been obeyed, and the unlawful obstructions of justice, assemblies, combinations, and conspiracies referred to therein continue:

NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the United States, including Chapter 15 of Title 10 of the United States Code, particularly Sections 332, 333 and 334 thereof, and Section 301 of Title 3 of the United States Code, it is hereby ordered as follows:

SECTION 1. The Secretary of Defense is authorized and directed to take all appropriate steps to remove obstructions of justice in the State of Alabama, to enforce the laws of the United States within that State, including any orders of United States Courts relating to the enrollment and attendance of students in public schools in the State of Alabama, and to suppress unlawful assemblies, combinations, conspiracies, and domestic violence which oppose, obstruct, or hinder the execution of the laws of the United States.

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of the law or impedes the course of justice under the law within that State.

SECTION 2. In furtherance of the authorization and direction contained in Section 1 hereof, the Secretary of Defense is authorized to use such of the Armed Forces of the United States as he may deem necessary.

SECTION 3. I hereby authorize and direct the Secretary of Defense to call into the active military service of the United States, as he may deem appropriate to carry out the purposes of this order, any or all of the units of the Army National Guard and of the Air National Guard of the State of Alabama to serve in the active military service of the United States for an indefinite period and until relieved by appropriate orders. In carrying out the provisions of Section 1, the Secretary of Defense is authorized to use the units, and members thereof, of the Army National Guard and of the Air National Guard of the State of Alabama called into the active military service of the United States pursuant to this section or otherwise.

SECTION 4. The Secretary of Defense is authorized to delegate to the Secretary of the Army or the Secretary of the Air Force, or both, any of the authority conferred

THE WHITE HOUSE

September 1, 1953

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URGENT 9-16-63 3-26 PM CST VEP

TO DIRECTOR, FBI /157-6-61/
FROM SAC, MOBILE /157-367/ 1 P

RACIAL SITUATION, STATE OF ALA., SELMA, ALA. - RM.
REMYTEL TWO THIRTYONE CST TODAY.

NEGRO YOUTHS LEFT BROWNS CHAPEL AME CHURCH, SYLVAN STREET,
SELMA, IN COLUMNS OF TWOS AT APPROXIMATELY FOUR THIRTYFIVE PM,
CST. MADE A MARCH OF APPROXIMATELY ONE HALF BLOCK AND WERE
STOPPED BY LT. T. L. PYRON, SELMA PD, AND ASKED IF THEY HAD PERMIT
TO PARADE. WHEN RECEIVED NEGATIVE ANSWER, APPROXIMATELY SEVENTY
NEGRO YOUTHS WERE PLACED UNDER ARREST, LOADED ON YMCA BUS AND
SHERIFF'S OFFICE BUS AND TAKEN TO SELMA CITY JAIL. PHOTOS OB-
TAINED UNDER ADVERSE WEATHER CONDITIONS BY AGENTS AND OBSERVATION
MADE OF MARCH AND ARREST. NO INCIDENTS OF VIOLENCE OCCURRED.

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FROM DIRECTOR, FBI (157-6-61)

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RACIAL SITUATION, STATE OF ALABAMA, SELMA, ALABAMA,
RACIAL MATTERS.

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(S) If next radio contact missed, send by teletype,
deferred, plain text.

Note:

Approximately 70 Negro youths were arrested in
Selma, Alabama, on 9/16/63, for parading without a permit.
For intelligence purposes, the number arrested is sufficient
in the teletype to the Bureau.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO

Mr. Belmont *also*

DATE 9-16-63


FROM

A. Rose *ARM*


SUBJECT

RACIAL SITUATION *m, dt - 2*
STATE OF ALABAMA
SELMA, ALABAMA
RACIAL MATTERS


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advised an Agent of the Mobile Office that he had obtained information which may only be "talk" among the Negroes of Selma that Departmental Attorney John Doar is to appear in Selma within the next few days to "organize demonstrations by Negroes in this area."

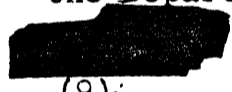
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 stated that this information is hard for him to believe, however, he is maintaining contact with Negro sources and other sources to determine "just how far the United States Department of Justice will go in organizing Negroes to violate city and county ordinances."

The latest information the Bureau had on John Doar was that he was at Tuskegee, Alabama. We received no information that he intended proceeding to Selma, Alabama.

ACTION:

If you agree, we will call this to the attention of the Department.



- 1 - Mr. Mohr
- 1 - Mr. Evans
- 1 - Mr. DeLoach

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI /157-6-61/
FROM SAC, MOBILE /157-367/

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*R*ACIAL SITUATION, STATE OF ALABAMA, SELMA, ALABAMA, RM. *b7c*

NEGRO YOUTHS CONTINUE TO MEET AT BROWNS CHAPEL AME CHURCH, SELMA TODAY. MEETING HELD DALLAS COUNTY COURTHOUSE LAST EVENING BETWEEN WHITE AUTHORITIES AND NEGRO LEADERS. CIRCUIT JUDGE TOLD LEADERS HE WAS CERTAIN TO BE PRESENTED WITH PETITION FOR INJUNCTION AGAINST FURTHER RACIAL DEMONSTRATIONS IF THEY CONTINUE AT SELMA, ALA. STATES WILL GRANT INJUNCTION. **[REDACTED]** STATES *b7D* HAD TWO JUVENILE PICKETS ARRESTED TODAY AND PLANS ONLY THIS TYPE DEMONSTRATION OVER WEEKEND. ^ENGRO YOUTHS ABSENT FROM SCHOOL, APPROX FIVE HUNDRED BROKE UP MEETING AT CHURCH FOUR THIRTY P. M. TODAY. *l*

NO VIOLENCE REPORTED.

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RACIAL SITUATION, SCHOOL INTEGRATION MATTERS, RM, OOJ.

REMOTEL TO BUREAU TEN TWENTYNINE AM TODAY.

TWO NEGRO STUDENTS, MURPHY HIGH SCHOOL, LEFT SCHOOL WITH OTHER STUDENTS AT TWO FIFTY PM. WERE PICKED UP ON STREET IN REAR OF SCHOOL BY REV. CALVIN E. HOUSTON WITHOUT INCIDENT. THERE WERE NO DEMONSTRATIONS.

MOBILE COUNTY CITIZENS COUNCIL CONTINUES TO PICKET F. W. WOOLWORTH STORE, MOBILE, WHICH STORE HAS INTEGRATED LUNCH COUNTER.

[REDACTED] ADVISED SCHOOL DAY ENDED AND THE THIRTEEN NEGRO STUDENTS LEFT FOR HOME WITHOUT INCIDENT.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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TO Mr. Rosen *RJ*

DATE September 20, 1963

FROM C. L. McGowan *CLM*

SUBJECT RACIAL SITUATION
STATE OF ALABAMA
RACIAL MATTERS

SAC Faisst called at 8:12 p. m., this evening, and advised that he had received a teletype from Mobile containing a request from Departmental Attorney John Doar. Doar desires that the Bureau attempt to obtain a copy of the video tape and tape recording made of Governor Wallace's speech made recently over station WAPI-TV in Birmingham.


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Doar desired the video tape and tape recording for a hearing at Montgomery, Alabama, on 9-24-63, in Federal Court and desires an Agent be available with the tape with the means to play the tape.

We actually made a tape recording of the Governor's speech; however, SAC Faisst advised that the original video tape and tape recording are available by subpoena through WAPI-TV in Birmingham.

This information will be passed on to Doar and it will be indicated to him that if WAPI-TV produces the tape under subpoena WAPI-TV will provide a technician to play it.

ACTION:

SAC Faisst is submitting a teletype with full details in this matter.

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TELETYPE

URGENT

TO SAC MOBILE
FROM DIRECTOR FBI

RACIAL SITUATION, SELMA, ALABAMA.

DEPARTMENT HAS RECEIVED INFORMATION FROM STUDENT
NONVIOLENT COORDINATING COMMITTEE PAREN SNCC CLOSE PAREN
HEADQUARTERS IN NEW YORK WHICH IN TURN RECEIVED INFORMATION
FROM JOHN LEWIS AT SELMA, ALABAMA. LEWIS CLAIMS ONE
THOUSAND NEGROES ARE IN THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, SELMA,
SINCE LAST NIGHT AND CHURCH SURROUNDED BY STATE TROOPERS
AND FIVE HUNDRED DEPUTIZED CITIZENS UNDER COMMAND OF AL
LINGO, DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SAFETY, ALABAMA. LEWIS CLAIMS
TROOPERS ARE PREVENTING NEGROES FROM LEAVING CHURCH.

SUTEL IMMEDIATELY DETAILS CONCERNING SITUATION AT SELMA.

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NOTE: Above request from Departmental Attorney John Murphy
to SA [redacted] this date. Murphy received his information

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from [redacted] Washington, D. C., who relayed complaint
from SNCC headquarters, New York City. Teletype was received
from Mobile last evening that Negro meeting concluded at First Baptist
Church and Negroes were leaving.

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TO SAC MOBILE (157-367)

FROM DIRECTOR FBI (157-6-61)

o RACIAL SITUATION STATE OF ALABAMA, SELMA, ALABAMA,
RACIAL MATTERS.

REURTEL SEPTEMBER FIFTEEN, ONE NINE SIXTYTHREE, FOUR
PM CENTRAL STANDARD TIME.

DEPARTMENT ON SUNDAY SEPTEMBER FIFTEEN REQUESTED
PHOTOGRAPHING OF DEMONSTRATIONS SCHEDULED FOR SEPTEMBER SIXTEEN,
ONE NINE SIXTYTHREE. THESE DEMONSTRATIONS WITHHELD AND SIT-INS
INSTITUTED IN PLACE THEREOF. DEPARTMENT ATTORNEY IRVING H.
TRANEN ADVISED YESTERDAY THAT JOHN DOAR, DEPARTMENTAL ATTORNEY
PRESENTLY IN MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA, HAD INDICATED HE DESIRES
PHOTOGRAPHS OF DEMONSTRATIONS AT SELMA, ALABAMA, ON A CONTINUING
BASIS. MOBILE CONTACT JOHN DOAR AT UNITED STATES ATTORNEY'S
OFFICE MONTGOMERY AND ASCERTAIN FROM HIM SPECIFICALLY WHAT TYPE
OF INCIDENT HE WANTS PHOTOGRAPHED. BUTEL RESULTS OF CONTACT.

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NOTE:

Departmental Attorney Irving Tranen advised that John Doar had indicated he wanted continuing photographs of demonstrations in Selma, Alabama. This would tie up manpower in following demonstrations, some of which are sit-in demonstrations and we would not want Agents photographing sit-ins from inside business establishments. Doar is being contacted for specifics as to exactly what he wants.

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TO : Director, FBI (157-6-61)
FROM : SAC, Mobile (157-367)(P)
SUBJECT: RACIAL SITUATION
STATE OF ALABAMA
SELMA, ALABAMA

Attached hereto are eight copies of letterhead memorandum reflecting activities of Negro demonstrators in Selma, Ala. Enclosed for Birmingham and Atlanta are one copy each of letterhead memo.

The Agent who monitored the Alabama Highway Patrol radio broadcast mentioned in letterhead memo was SA [redacted] and the two Agents who observed and photographed the marchers in Selma on 9/16/63 were SAs [redacted] and [redacted]

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Local military intelligence agencies advised.

Information copies are submitted Birmingham and Atlanta in view of ~~personnel~~ *individuals* from their Divisions present in Selma.

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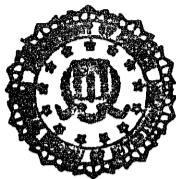
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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Mobile, Alabama
September 17, 1963

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STATE OF ALABAMA
SELMA, ALABAMA

On September 13, 1963 [redacted] Selma, Alabama, advised [redacted] meeting of the Dallas County Improvement Association, on the night of September 13, 1963, which association is headed by Edwin L. D. Moss as chairman. He pointed out that a Negro youth rally would be held at either Ward's Chapel AME Church, or Brown's Chapel AME Church. *Selma, Ala.*

On September 14, 1963 [redacted] reported that at the meeting of the Dallas County Improvement Association [redacted] Selma and the Dallas County Improvement Association had elected to attempt to persuade Negro youths in Selma from demonstrating on September 16, 1963. He stated Reverend Benny D. Tucker, Student Non-violent Coordinating Committee (SNCC) representative, was present at the meeting of the Dallas County Improvement Association and appeared to be in agreement with the opinion of the association not to demonstrate until the City Council had time to rule on a letter Wilson Brown, another SNCC representative, had had forwarded to the council requesting a permit to parade, which would be after September 23, 1963. At the youth rally on September 13, 1963, which was held at Brown's Chapel AME Church, Sylvan Street, Selma, Negro attorney J. L. Chestnut pointed out that no demonstrations should take place by the youth until after September 23, 1963, at which time the City Council would have an opportunity to rule on a letter requesting a permit to parade. *Ala.*

On September 13, 1963 [redacted] advised that the Negro youth rally at Brown's Chapel terminated at 10:00 p.m., CST. Attendance was estimated at 250 Negroes, 80 to 90 per cent teenagers. Reverend L. L. Anderson, Pastor of the Negro Baptist Tabernacle Church, Broad Street, Selma, gave a speech *Ala.*

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which was considered by him to be non-committal regarding Negroes marching in Selma on September 16, 1963. Anderson did not specifically urge a march, but he did not definitely point out to the Negro youths not to march. [REDACTED] stated, if anything, Anderson appeared to be in favor of a march in Selma on September 16, 1963 and inferred demonstrations should take place. Negro attorney J. L. Chestnut did urge the youths to delay demonstrations until after September 23, 1963.

[REDACTED]

On September 16, 1963 [REDACTED] reported at approximately 8:45 a.m., CST, that the Negro youths began leaving school at about 8:30 a.m., and entering Brown's Chapel AME Church, where they appeared to be holding a rally of some type.

On September 16, 1963 [REDACTED] advised about 9:30 a.m., CST, that a youth rally was taking place at Brown's Chapel AME Church, which was being led by Reverend Benny L. Tucker. He stated sit-ins would take place at the drugstores in Selma at 10:00 a.m., that date. Two Negroes would sit in at the stores and one would be present to observe.

On September 16, 1963 at about 10:15 a.m., CST, [REDACTED] reported sit-ins occurred at drugstores in Selma [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] also reported about 15 to 20 minutes later that two incidents of violence had occurred at Carter's Drugstore, Broad Street, when a Negro female and a young Negro male went into the store to stage a sit-in. The

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Negro female was struck by an unidentified citizen and the Negro male was prodded with a hot shot "cattle prod" and when they departed the drugstore someone struck the Negro male with a stick.

On September 16, 1963 [REDACTED] at approximately 10:30 a.m., CST, telephonically advised that drugstore owners in Selma were beating Negroes who were sitting at lunch counters with clubs and wanted the FBI to "take immediate and direct action" in this matter. He stated no law enforcement officer was involved in any beatings, but citizens at the drugstores were doing the beatings. *2/16*

John W. Carter
On September 16, 1963 [REDACTED] who stated he did not desire to furnish any information regarding the beatings in a court of law, appeared at the Selma Resident Agency of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and advised he was standing on the outside of Carter's Drugstore looking through the window. He stated he saw a white male, whom he believed to be [REDACTED] hit a Negro male, who was sitting at the lunch counter, with a stick one time. He stated the Negro male ran out of the store and his head was bleeding. He did not see any beating administered to a Negro female inside the store. *b7C
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On September 16, 1963 [REDACTED] advised he had learned of the beating administered a Negro male at Carter's Drugstore and he also heard a Selma Police Department Patrol car was outside the drugstore when the citizen hit the Negro male inside the store. He pointed out this was an example of the Selma Police Department ignoring their duty in allowing the beating to occur.

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] advised on September 16, 1963 that sit-ins were staged in the following drugstores and restaurant:

- X Carters Drugstore
- X Pilcher & McBryde Drugstore
- X Tillman's Drugstore
- X Swift's Drugstore
- X Tim's Cafe

All of the above are located on Broad Street in Selma, Ala.

X [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Selma, Ala. [REDACTED]

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At approximately 2:00 p.m., CST, September 16, 1963, [REDACTED] advised he had received information that a request had been made for Negro leaders from Birmingham, Alabama, to come to Selma to direct demonstrations by Negroes, and he understood this

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would be done. He stated Negroes were still conducting a rally at Brown's Chapel Church and that some 400 to 500 Negroes were in attendance; however, their demonstrations were at a "stand still" at this time.

At 2:36 p.m., Sheriff James G. Clark, Jr., Dallas County Sheriff's Office, put out Alabama Highway Patrol radio broadcast which was monitored by a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, in a Bureau car, at which time he stated Reverend Benny L. Tucker claimed the Negroes would march between that time and 6:00 p.m.

Appearing on the scene at Brown's Chapel Church was a 1961 Chevrolet fordor, Alabama license 1-59490

[REDACTED] and a 1962 Chevrolet Corvette, Alabama license IA-12028

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These cars appeared at Brown's Chapel at approximately 1:34 p.m., CST.

At approximately 4:35 p.m., CST, two Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation observed and photographed a march conducted by Negro youths from Brown's Chapel Church for a distance of approximately one-half block. This march was halted by a lieutenant with the Selma Police Department and the leader was asked if he possessed a permit to parade, which is required by City Ordinance, and when a negative reply was received, the Selma Police Department officer placed between 50 and 70 Negro youths under arrest, loaded them on a YMCA bus and a Dallas County Sheriff's Office bus and took them to the City Jail in Selma. This terminated any further demonstration by Negroes on September 16, 1963 at Selma. No violence or other incidents accompanied the arrest of the marchers.

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On September 17, 1963 [REDACTED] stated that a Negro rally was held at the Second Baptist Church on the corner of Hardy Street and Duncan Street, Selma, from 7:30 p.m., until 10:30 p.m., CST, on September 16, 1963. No incidents occurred and law and order prevailed. Coverage of the meeting was handled by local law enforcement officers.

[REDACTED] No posse members were on the scene at the church on the night of September 16, 1963.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR

DATE: 9/17/63

FROM : CLYDE TOLSON

SUBJECT: Racial Matters - Mobile

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In view of the various allegations which are being made concerning the inability of the Bureau to solve bombing cases in Birmingham, with certain figures being used indicating that we have failed to show results in from 30, to 40, to 50 instances, I have suggested to Mr. Belmont that we immediately prepare an analysis indicating just how many instances of bombings there have been in Birmingham in recent years and whether we have investigated these matters, or whether the Department ruled that we had no jurisdiction. It seems to me that we ought to know just where we stand, in order that we can at least try to refute the inaccurate allegations which are being made against the Bureau in this field.

I think a similar analysis should be made covering the entire state of Alabama so that we can see just where we stand in this picture.

*Memo Rose to Belmont
9/18/63*
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- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. Mohr
- 1 - Mr. DeLoach

1. Right
2. Also a review of our informant coverage should be made. I was shocked to learn we had only [Redacted] informants in racial matters in Birmingham.

*Memo Rose to Belmont
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FROM SAC, MOBILE /157-367/ 5 P
C RACIAL SITUATION, STATE OF ALABAMA, RM.

REBUTEL FIVE THIRTYONE PM EDT, NEW YORK TELS TO
DIRECTOR AND MOBILE SIX FIFTYSIX AND SEVEN ZERO NINE PM
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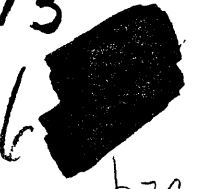
NEGRO VOTER REGISTRATION RALLY HELD AT FIRST BAPTIST
CHURCH, CORNER OF JEFF DAVIS AND SYLVAN ST., SEVEN THIRTY
PM, CST, NINE TWENTYTHREE INSTANT. NEGRO YOUTH RALLY
ALSO HELD AT BROWNS CHAPEL AME CHURCH, SYLVAN STREET, SAME
TIME. AT EIGHT THIRTY PM YOUTHS JOINED ADULTS AT FIRST
BAPTIST. CHURCH FILLED BEYOND LEGAL CAPACITY OF THREE
FIVE ZERO. FIRE CHIEF, SELMA, IMMEDIATELY CALLED TO SCENE
BY SHERIFF/ S OFFICE, MADE INSPECTION, AND OVER TWO HUNDRED
NEGROES SENT TO BASEMENT OF CHURCH FOR SAFETY PRECAUTIONS.
TOTAL ATTENDANCE BETWEEN SIX AND SEVEN HUNDRED NEGROES,

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ABOUT FOUR HUNDRED ALLOWED TO STAY IN MAIN AUDITORIUM.
MEETING TERMINATED AT ELEVEN PM. NEGROES DISPERSED. NO
INCIDENTS OF VIOLENCE OCCURRED. BUAGENTS OBSERVORS ON
SCENE. NEGRO YOUTH RALLY CONVENED ABOUT EIGHT AM, CST, 151
TODAY WITH APPROXIMATELY FOUR HUNDRED NEGROES IN ATTENDANCE.
APPROXIMATELY TWENTY LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS STAYED ON
SCENE IN IMMEDIATE AREA OF CHURCH TO REPORT ON PROCEEDINGS
AND PREVENT MASS DEMONSTRATION. OFFICERS INCLUDED
POSSE MEMBERS, CITY POLICE AND SHERIFF/ S DEPUTIES. NO
STATE TROOPERS UTILIZED ON SCENE AND ABOUT FIFTY TROOPERS
MAINTAINED IN SELMA IN A STANDBY CONDITION. NEGROES
ALLOWED TO COME AND GO AS THEY DESIRED FROM CHURCH IN
SMALL GROUPS THROUGHOUT DAY. [REDACTED]

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SIX TO SEVEN HUNDRED NEGRO YOUTHS LEFT NEGRO HIGH SCHOOL, SELMA, AND PROCEEDED IN DIRECTION OF FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH. NEGROES WERE IN GROUPS OF THIRTY TO FORTY. AT CORNER OF SMALL AVE. AND BROAD ST., A GROUP OF APPROXIMATELY THIRTY TO FORTY NEGRO YOUTHS WHO WERE SINGING FREEDOM SONGS WERE STOPPED BY SHERIFF'S DEPUTIES, POLICE DEPARTMENT OFFICERS AND POSSE MEMBERS. THEY WERE CHARGED WITH QUOTE 'UNLAWFUL ASSEMBLY' UNQUOTE, PLACED ON BUS AND TAKEN TO JAIL. OTHER YOUTHS SPLIT INTO SMALL GROUPS AND PROCEEDED TO FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH. AT ABOUT FOUR PM, CST, A GROUP OF APPROXIMATELY ONE HUNDRED YOUTHS MARCHED SOUTH ON SYLVAN ST. FROM OUT OF CHURCH. THEY WERE STOPPED BY SHERIFF'S DEPUTIES, POSSE MEMBERS AND CITY POLICE. THEY KNELT ON STREET AND SANG, WERE ARRESTED AND CHARGED WITH PARADING WITHOUT A PERMIT, PLACED ON TWO BUSES AND TAKEN TO JAIL. THE ARREST TOOK PLACE IMMEDIATELY ADJACENT TO GEORGE WASHINGTON CARVER HOMES, A NEGRO HOUSING PROJECT, AND NUMEROUS RESIDENTS WERE IN THEIR YARDS AND ON SIDEWALK

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VIEWING THE ARREST. STATE TROOPERS, NUMBERING APPROXIMATELY FIFTY MEN, ARRIVED ON SCENE IN CARS LED BY MAJOR JOE SMELLEY PAREN (NA) PAREN, CHIEF OF ALA. HIGHWAY PATROL, AND TROOPERS GOT OUT OF CARS, NOTIFIED ALL RESIDENTS TO IMMEDIATELY GO INTO THEIR HOMES AND FORCED NEGROES OFF THE STREETS INTO THEIR RESIDENCES. AGENTS OBSERVED THE ARRESTS MADE AND NO INCIDENTS OF BUTALITY OCCURRED IN THEIR PRESENCE. AGENTS ALSO SECURED PHOTOGRAPHS.

[REDACTED] STATES SNCC HAS CLOUDED ISSUE AT SELMA WITH OVER-AGRESSIVENESS IN CAUSING NEGRO YOUTHS TO PARADE TO PARADE AND BE ARRESTED.

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
C AS OF FIVE FORTYFIVE PM, CST, TODAY, SCENE AT CHURCH IS QUIET AND ACTIVITY HAS CEASED. KNOWLEDGABLE SOURCES WITH RESPECT TO NEGRO ACTIVITIES INDICATE NO KNOWN PLANS FOR NEGRO ACTIVITY TONIGHT.

ABOVE INFORMATION FURNISHED TO NEW YORK SO THAT IT MAY RE EVALUATE ITS INFORMANT [REDACTED]

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DEPARTMENTAL ATTORNEY JOHN DOAR AT SCENE IN SELMA
AND HAS BEEN APPRISED OF ALL DEVELOPMENTS TO DATE.

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DEVELOPMENTS.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI /157-6-61/

FROM SAC, MOBILE /157-367/

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NEGRO VOTER REGISTRATION RALLY AT FIRST BAPTIST AND NEGRO YOUTH RALLY AT BROWNS CHAPEL AME CHURCH BEGAN APPROXIMATELY SEVEN THIRTY PM C.S.T. ESTIMATED ATTENDANCE THREE HUNDRED TO FOUR HUNDRED NEGROES AT EACH MEETING. ABOUT EIGHT THRITY PM NEGRO YOUTHS FROM BROWNS CHAPEL MOVED OVER TO FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH AND JOINED OLDER NEGROES IN MASS RALLY. PRINCIPLE SPEAKER, JOHN LEWIS, SNCC, CALLED FOR MASS DEMONSTRATION BEGINNING TOMORROW AND CONTINUING UNTIL NEGRO OBTAIN QUOTE FREEDOM END QUOTE. BUREAU AGENTS OBSERVERS ON SCENE. NO VIOLENCE OCCURRED.

LOCAL AUTHORITIES, SELMA, HAD FOUR MEN STATIONED IN SIDE OF CHURCH, APPROXIMATELY FIFTY MEN AROUND IMMEDIATE VICINITY OF CHURCH, SOME PARKED IN CARS AND SOME PATROLING. APPROXIMATELY SIXTY STATE TROOPERS PARKED IN NINETEEN CARS, SEVEN BLOCKS FROM CHURCH ON STANDBY. TWO BUSLOADS OF ABOUT SIXTY FIVE DALLAS COUNTY POSSE MEMBERS PARKED FOUR BLOCKS FROM CHURCH ON STANDBY. LAW ENFORCEMENT INCLUDING DALLAS COUNTY SHERIFFS OFFICERS, POSSE MEMBERS, CITY POLICE, AND STATE TROOPERS, COMPRISED A FORCE

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WHEN MEETING CONCLUDED AND WHILE NEGROES WERE FILING OUT
OF CHURCH, SHERIFF CLARK CALLED IN THE STATE TROOPERS TO DRIVE AROUND
NCHURCH IN CARAVAN STYLE IN SHOW OF FORCE.
MEETING TERMINATED ELEVEN P. M. C. S. T.

LHM FOLLOWS.

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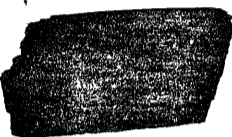
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TO DIRECTOR -6- 157-6-61 AND SAC MOBILE 157-367
FROM SAC NEW YORK 157-937

RACIAL SITUATION, SELMA, ALABAMA, RM.

RE NY TELS TO THE BUREAU NINE TWENTY FOUR LAST AND MOBILE TEL NINE TWENTY FOUR LAST CAPTIONED RACIAL SITUATION, STATE OF ALABAMA, RM.

NYO NOT SUBMITTING LHM CONCERNING INFORMATION FURNISHED NINE TWENTY FOUR LAST BY [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] FOR THE REASON THAT THE INFORMATION FURNISHED BY THESE SOURCES WAS NOT CORROBORATED BY THE ACTUAL OCCURANCES AS SET FORTH IN REFERENCED MOBILE TEL DATED NINE TWENTY FOUR LAST.

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[REDACTED] FURNISHED INFORMATION AS RECEIVED FROM ONE CLAY STOUT, WHO APPARENTLY EXAGGERATED AND FURNISHED INCONSISTENT DETAILS CONCERNING THE SITUATION IN SELMA, ALABAMA ON NINE TWENTY FOUR LAST. IT IS NOTED THAT MOBILE IS KEEPING THE BUREAU ADVISED OF CURRENT DEVELOPMENTS.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI /157-6-61/

FROM SAC, MOBILE /157-367/ 2 P

RACIAL SITUATION, STATE OF ALABAMA, SELMA, ALABAMA, RM.
FIFTY STATE TROOPERS UNDER COMMAND OF COL. AL LINGO,
BILLETED IN NATIONAL GUARD ARMORY, SELMA, ALA., TODAY.

RECEIVED INFORMATION QUOTE THREE HUNDRED TRAINED DEMONSTRATORS
TO APPEAR IN SELMA, UNQUOTE.

NEGRO LEADERS STATE HAVE NO INFORMATION THAT SUCH IS
TRUE AND POINT OF THEY DO NOT FEEL OUTSIDERS SHOULD BE USED
IN SELMA.

VOTER REGISTRATION RALLY SCHEDULED FOR SEVEN THIRTY P. M.,
AT FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, CORNER OF JEFF DAVIS AND SYLVAN STREETS
TONIGHT. YOUTH RALLY SCHEDULED FOR BROWN/ S CHAPEL AME CHURCH
AT SAME TIME. JOHN LEWIS, CHAIRMAN SNCC, TO BE PRINCIPAL
SPEAKER AT YOUTH RALLY.

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[REDACTED] DUE TO ARRESTS, NEGRO LEADER EXPECTS
CAPACITY CROWDS FOR BOTH CHURCHES TONIGHT.

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MILITARY AUTHORITIES ADVISED.

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TO SAC, MOBILE (157-367)
 FROM DIRECTOR, FBI (157-6-61) - 316
 RACIAL SITUATION, STATE OF ALABAMA, SELMA,
 ALABAMA, RM.

REURTEL SEPTEMBER TWO THREE, INSTANT, CONCERNING
 TROOPERS BILLETED IN NATIONAL GUARD ARMORY, SELMA, ALABAMA,
 AND TWO CHURCH MEETINGS SCHEDULED TONIGHT. DEPARTMENT
 REQUESTS AGENT OBSERVE BOTH MEETINGS IF POSSIBLE BUT
 PARTICULARLY THE VOTER REGISTRATION RALLY FOR ANY INDICATIONS
 OF POSSIBLE VIOLENCE AND ACTIVITY ON PART SHERIFF-S OFFICE.

ADVISE BUREAU PROMPTLY OF PERTINENT
 INFORMATION.

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NOTE: Department Attorney David Marlin requested above.

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URGENT 9-24-63 10-58 PM CST VP

TO DIRECTOR FBI /157-6-61/ AND SAC BIRMINGHAM
FROM SAC, MOBILE /157-367/ 1 P

RACIAL SITUATION, STATE OF ALABAMA, SELMA, ALABAMA. RM.
REMOTEL TODAY.

SPONTANEOUS GATHERING OF APPROXIMATELY SEVENTY FIVE ADULT
NEGROES MET AT FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, SELMA, ALABAMA TONIGHT
EIGHT THIRTY PM, CST. BUREAU AGENTS ON SCENE AS OBSERVERS.
NEGROES SANG SONGS AND LISTENED TO GROUP SPOKESMAN BEFORE
DEPARTING AT TEN PM, CST. NO VIOLENCE OCCURRED. NO INCIDENTS
NOTED. ONE CAR FROM DALLAS CO SO CONTAINING ONE DEPUTY SHERIFF
AND THREE POSSE MEMBERS AND ONE POLICE CAR CONTAINING TWO OFFICERS
OBSERVED GATHERING. NO COVERAGE OF MEETING BY LOCAL AUTHORITIES
INSIDE CHURCH.

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DEPARTMENTAL ATTORNEY JOHN DOAR ADVISED OF ABOVE.

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TO DIRECTOR -6- AND SAC MOBILE
FROM SAC NEW YORK 157-
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RE NY TELEPHONE CALL TO BUREAU, INSTANT DATE.
ON INSTANT DATE AT THREE TWENTY FIVE PM [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] NYC TELEPHONIC

CONTACTED THE NYO TO ADVISE THAT AT THE PRESENT TIME A MEETING WAS
TAKING PLACE IN THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH AT SELMA, ALABAMA, WHERE ONE
JOHN LEWIS WAS THE MAIN SPEAKER. SHE STATED THAT POLICE NUMBERING BE
TWO HUNDRED FIFTY AND SIX HUNDRED HAD FORMED A HUMAN BARRICADE
AND WERE NOT ALLOWING THE FOURTEEN HUNDRED PEOPLE INSIDE THE CHURCH TO
LEAVE. SHE STATED POLICE WERE UNDER DIRECTION OF SHERIFF CLARK AND
AL LINGO.

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SUBJECT: RACIAL SITUATION
STATE OF ALABAMA
SELMA, ALABAMA
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Local law enforcement cognizant [redacted] and local military intelligence agencies advised.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. Belmont

DATE: 9/18/63

FROM : A. Rosen *ARM*

SUBJECT: COVERAGE OF RACIAL ACTIVITIES
STATE OF ALABAMA

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Belmont	✓
Mohr	✓
Casper	✓
Callahan	✓
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DeLoach	✓
Evans	✓
Malone	✓
Rosen	✓
Tavel	✓
Trotter	✓
Tele. Room	✓
Holmes	✓
Gandy	✓

With reference to my previous memorandum concerning coverage of Klan, hate groups and racial activity in Alabama, the information set forth therein was confined essentially to approved racial informants

They are quality informants who have been

We have, in addition to these informants, numerous other sources who furnish extremely valuable information to us on a regular and continuing basis in our over-all coverage of racial activities in Alabama.

As indicated in my earlier summary, we have in the State of Alabama

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Memorandum to Mr. Belmont
Re: COVERAGE OF RACIAL ACTIVITIES
STATE OF ALABAMA

In addition to these 24 informants, we have in the State of Alabama five confidential sources who furnish us with extensive information concerning the membership, make-up, activities and plans of these organizations. We also have four sources who attend public meetings of these groups, obtain literature and are willing and able to testify in court regarding the aims and purposes of these organizations.

Additionally, we have established liaison contacts in the State of Alabama with [REDACTED] who are able to furnish information on a timely and continuing basis concerning plans for marches, sit-ins, and other racial demonstrations. Over and above this coverage at the present time we have in the State of Alabama an additional [REDACTED]

In addition to the above, we have countless and valuable sources throughout the state [REDACTED] who although without organizational affiliations furnish us with a constant flow of valuable information concerning racial matters.

As relates to the City of Birmingham itself, [REDACTED]

Among the [REDACTED] extremely productive racial sources in the City of Birmingham are [REDACTED]

Memorandum to Mr. Belmont
RE: COVERAGE OF RACIAL ACTIVITIES
STATE OF ALABAMA

Our numerous and extremely valuable sources in the City of Birmingham who are not affiliated with Klan and hate groups include [redacted] who constantly furnish timely and vital information to us on racial matters. They include [redacted]

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One of the primary purposes of our investigations of Klan and hate groups is to determine whether they are actually responsible for acts of racial violence. While we logically consider Klan and hate group members as prime suspects in the bombing of the Sixteenth Street Baptist Church, to date no information has been developed indicating that members of these groups perpetrated that crime. There are, of course, many individual extremists who due to personal proclivity for violence and their overwhelming bitterness and antagonism towards desegregation are fully capable of committing crimes of racial violence. Investigation has disclosed that such individuals, not Klan and hate group members, were responsible for recent church burnings in Georgia and the racial murders of William L. Moore and Medgar Evers.

ACTION

We are continuing to afford the matter of coverage on racial matters preferred and continuous attention in an effort to even further extend and improve our existing coverage.

In this regard in connection with our investigation of the bombing of the Sixteenth Street Baptist Church, we have instructed pertinent offices to interview all Klan and hate group leaders, officials and members. The field has been instructed that each of these individuals [redacted]

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We have directed the SACs to personally supervise this program and have advised them that they will be personally responsible to insure that positive results are achieved, and we will follow it to insure the results are achieved.

A separate memorandum has been prepared and is being forwarded with reference to the bombing incidents in Birmingham.

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Jim [unclear]

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W.V. [unclear] -
main [unclear] have
made no [unclear]
in the bombing [unclear]

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI 157-6-61
FROM SAC, MOBILE 157-367 1-P

RACIAL SITUATION, STATE OF ALABAMA, SELMA, ALABAMA, RM.

APPROXIMATELY THIRTY NEGRO PICKETS ARRESTED AT DALLAS COUNTY
COURTHOUSE TWO P. M., CST, TODAY BY APPROXIMATELY THIRTY SELMA
POLICE DEPARTMENT OFFICERS, TWENTY MEN FROM DALLAS COUNTY SHERIFF/S
OFFICE AND POSSEE MEMBERS, BACKED UP BY FIFTY STATE TROOPERS UNDER
COMMAND OF COLONEL AL LINGO.

ARRESTS TOOK PLACE WITHOUT INCIDENT AND PICKETS TAKEN
TO JAIL ABOUT TWO TEN P. M., CST, ON BUS. ALL SIGNS CARRIED BY
PICKETS WERE CONFISCATED BY LOCAL AUTHORITIES.

BUAGENTS OBSERVED AND PHOTOS TAKEN.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI /157-6-61/ AND SAC, BIRMINGHAM
FROM SAC, MOBILE /157-367/ 2P

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AT PRESENT TIME, APPROXIMATELY THREE HUNDRED FIFTY PERSONS IDENTIFIED AS TEENAGERS AND SUB-TEENAGERS WHO ARE ABSENTEES FROM THE R. B. HUDSON HIGH SCHOOL, SELMA, PRESENTLY ATTENDING MEETING IN CHURCH. APPROXIMATELY EIGHT POLICE, FIFTEEN DALLAS COUNTY POSSE MEMBERS, SIX DEPUTY SHERIFFS, AND SHERIFF JAMES CLARK IN VICINITY OF CHURCH. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

DEPARTMENTAL ATTORNEY JOHN DOAR IN MONTGOMERY BEING FURNISHED DEVELOPMENTS ON CONTINUING BASIS.

DOAR PROCEEDING SELMA FROM MONTGOMERY WITH DEPARTMENT ATTORNEYS HENDERSON AND MARTIN.

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URGENT 9-25-63 11-06 PM CST VFP

TO DIRECTOR, FBI /157-6-61/

FROM SAC, MOBILE /157-367/

RACIAL SITUATION, STATE OF ALABAMA, SELMA, ALA., RM.

REMOTELS TODAY.

Informant

[REDACTED] AT SELMA, ALA.,
 REPORTED TO FBI TONIGHT BOMB THREAT. TELEPHONE CALL WAS
 RECEIVED AT FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH AT APPROXIMATELY EIGHT
 THIRTY PM CST CALLED STATING *QUOTE* I AM GOING TO BLOW
 UP THE PLACE *UNQUOTE*. CALL RECEIVED BY [REDACTED]
 CALLER WS UNIDENTIFIED MALE VOICE. [REDACTED]
 SELMA PD, [REDACTED] SELMA,
 NOTIFIED. [REDACTED] CIC, MONTGOMERY , NOTIFIED.

[REDACTED]
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BETWEEN FOUR HUNDRED AND FIVE HUNDRED PERSONS,
MOSTLY ADULTS, MET TONIGHT AT FIRST BAPTIS CHURCH, SELMA,
MEETING STARTING ABOUT EIGHT THIRTY PM CST. IT WAS A
GENERAL MEETING WITH SINGING AND SPEAKERS. THE CROWD
DISPERSED AT TEN THIRTY PM CST. NO INCIDENTS OCCURRED.
BUREAU AGENTS OBSERVERS ON SCENE.

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Miss Gandy _____

URGENT 9-25-63 5-32 PM CST VFP

TO DIRECTOR, FBI /157-6-61/

FROM SAC, MOBILE /157-367/ 1 P

RACIAL SITUATION, STATE OF ALABAMA, SELMA, ALA., RM.

REMOTELS TODAY.

NO FURTHER ACTIVITY HAS OCCURRED AT SELMA, ALA. SINCE ARRESTS OF PICKETS THIS AFTERNOON. FIFTY TO SEVENTYFIVE NEGROES STILL AT FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, BUT NO MEETING TAKING PLACE AS OF FIVE TEN PM CST. SURVEILLANCE OF CHURCH AND CONTACTS WITH SOURCES BEING MAINTAINED AND IN EVENT MEETING OR OTHER ACTIVITY OCCURS, COVERAGE WILL BE AFFORDED SAME AND BUREAU ADVISED .

END AND ACK PLS

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URGENT 9-24-63 2-33 PM JEB

TO DIRECTOR, FBI /157-6-61/

FROM SAC, MOBILE /157-367/ 1P

RACIAL SITUATION, STATE OF ALABAMA, SELMA, ALA. RM.

REBUTEL TODAY.

JOHN DOAR, DEPARTMENTAL ATTORNEY, STATED TODAY HE PRINCIPALLY DESIRES THAT PHOTOS BE MADE OF ARRESTS ARISING OUT OF DEMONSTRATIONS AND HE DOES NOT DESIRE PHOTOS BE MADE SIMPLY OF DEMONSTRATING PERSONS IN ACTIVE SIT-INS. BASING REQUEST ON EXPERIENCES CITED IN OTHER CITIES WHERE SIMILAR DEMONSTRATIONS OCCUR, DOAR STATED TAKING SUCH PHOTOS IS HELPFUL IN DEMONSTRATING TRUTH OR FALSITY OF SUBSEQUENT CR ALLEGATIONS AND COMPLAINTS AND ALSO ACTS AS DETERRENT TO CR VIOLATIONS BE ARRESTING OFFICERS. DOAR STATED HE RECOGNIZES THAT PHOTOGRAPHIC ASSIGNMENTS CAN BE SEVERE DRAIN ON BUREAU AGENT MANPOWER AND SAID THE RESIDENT AGENT AND ANY OTHERS IN TOUCH WITH THE SELMA SITUATION MUST CONSTANTLY EVALUATE THE CURRENT SITUATION AND REQUEST PRESENCE OF PHOTOGRAPHIC TEAMS WHEN IT APPEARS THAT SUCH MAY BE NEEDED. DOAR STATED THAT POLICE OFFICIALS BE ADVISED THAT HE, DOAR, HAS MADE REQUEST FOR PHOTOGRAPHS.

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URGENT 9-25-63 11-51 AM MCM

TO DIRECTOR, FBI /157-6-61/

FROM SAC, MOBILE /157-367/

RACIAL SITUATION, STATE OF ALABAMA, SELMA, ALA., RM.

ONE NEGRO MALE, [redacted] BORN SIX NINE

FOORTYFIVE, ARRESTED THIS MORNING BY SELMA POLICE DEPARTMENT

IN FRONT OF R. B. HUDSON, NEGRO HIGH SCHOOL, SELMA, WHEN

ATTEMPTING TO HAND OUT SIGNS FOR PICKETING TO STUDENTS

COMING TO SCHOOL. JOHNSON CHARGED WITH VIOLATION TITLE

FOURTEEN, SECTION FOUR ZERO SEVEN OF ALA. CODE, QUOTE

UNLAWFUL ASSEMBLY AND INCITING TO RIOT UNQUOTE. NEGRO

YOUTHS APPEARING IN SMALL GROUPS AND ASSEMBLING AT FIRST

BAPTIST CHURCH THIS MORNING. NO ACTIVITY AS OF TEN AM,

CST. [redacted]

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RE: RACIAL SITUATION
STATE OF ALABAMA
SELMA, ALABAMA

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Transmitted herewith are eight copies of letterhead memorandum concerning incidents which have occurred in Selma, Alabama, from 9/16/63 through 9/18/63. As noted local authorities are completely cognizant of the situation and military authorities have been advised.

The Agent who received information from [Redacted] was SA [Redacted] Agents observing the snake incident at Brown's Chapel A.M.E. Church on 9/18/63 were SAs [Redacted] and [Redacted].

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MAR 13 1969
ANS
BY: [REDACTED]

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BY: [REDACTED]

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
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Mobile, Alabama
September 19, 1963

RACIAL SITUATION
STATE OF ALABAMA
SELMA, ALABAMA

On September 17, 1963, [REDACTED] advised that Negro youths began congregating at the Baptist Tabernacle Church on the corner of Broad Street and Minter Avenue, at 8:30 PM CST. During the morning of September 17, 1963, no activity took place except that Negroes at the church sang and held a rally. The estimated attendance was 400 to 500 Negroes, about 80% Negro youths. Shortly before noon, some 36 young Negroes were stopped on Washington Street, Selma, while parading toward the downtown section. They were asked if they had a permit to parade and if they did not have a permit, they were instructed to immediately disperse or they would be subject to arrest. They had no permit to parade and they immediately dispersed. However, it appeared that the Negro youths then "filtered" into the downtown section of Selma and organized picket lines in front of Carter's Drugstore, Pilcher McBride Drugs, and Jackson's Clothing Store. This occurred about 12:45 PM and

[REDACTED] no further activity occurred during the afternoon and evening of September 17, 1963. It was learned from [REDACTED] that on September 18, 1963, the Negroes would again reassemble at Ward's Chapel AME Church, on the corner of Tremont and Philpot Streets.

On September 18, 1963, [REDACTED] stated that Negro youths had begun to gather at Ward's Chapel AME Church at approximately 7:00 AM. The church was filled to capacity and several individuals were standing on the outside of the church.

On September 18, 1963, at about 10:45 AM CST, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] advised a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau

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SELMA, ALABAMA

of Investigation that a single picket would be placed at Carter's Drugstore, Broad Street, in Selma, at 11:00 AM to determine the action that local law authorities would take concerning this picket.

On September 18, 1963, at approximately 11:30 AM, [REDACTED] advised that Lt. T. L. PYRON had arrested one picket at Carter's Drugstore shortly after 11:00 AM upon instructions of BLANCHARD MC LEOD, Circuit Solicitor, Fourth Judicial Circuit of Alabama, who was present on the scene and instructed PYRON to make the arrest for "Unlawful Assembly".

On September 18, 1963, [REDACTED] advised at approximately 2:30 PM CST that Negroes had changed their meeting place from Ward's Chapel AME Church, to Brown's Chapel AME Church on Sylvan Street. [REDACTED] stated that during the day of September 18, 1963, the downtown section of Selma had various stores picketed by pickets that were walking in twos and threes.

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[REDACTED]

On September 18, 1963, Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation observed that at 4:20 PM CST, the Negroes at Brown's Chapel AME Church came out of the church and massed on the steps and started singing "freedom songs". A crowd of whites that were gathering one block away from the church on Sylvan Street were immediately dispersed by the Selma Police Department Officers. Dallas County Sheriff JAMES G. CLARK, JR., and his deputies plus two or three posse members and some few State of Alabama law enforcement officers were directly in front of the church on Sylvan Street. A white male, about 25 years of age, came walking down Sylvan Street with a large live green snake draped across his arms and he was holding the head with one hand. He walked into the crowd of Negroes massed on the steps and Sheriff CLARK walked to the curb directly in front of the crowd and watched the white male start waving the snake in the faces of several of the Negroes. A Negro male scuffled with this white male and CLARK immediately went into the crowd and arrested the Negro male, taking him out of the crowd and across

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SELMA, ALABAMA

the street to the Sheriff's Office car. The white male was allowed to continue on down the street carrying the snake. This brought a frenzy of excitement among the Negroes and anger flared among them. They appeared to be on the verge of violent activities; however, they only voiced angry disapproval of the Sheriff's actions at not arresting the white male and arresting the Negro male.

Shortly thereafter, the Negroes re-entered the church where the rally continued for about one hour and at 5:25 PM, they dispersed from the church.

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TO DIRECTOR FBI, /157-6-61/

FROM SAC, MOBILE 1 P

RACIAL SITUATION, STATE OF ALABAMA, SELMA, ALABAMA. RM.

WALTER EVANS, NEGRO MALE AGE NINETEEN, STREET DEMONSTRATOR

FINED ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS AND COST TODAY BY DALLAS COUNTY JUDGE

HUGH MALLORY. IN SAME COURT REV. WILSO BROWN, SNCC SELMA LEADER

WHO WAS CHARGED WITH CONTRIBUTING TO DELINQUENCY OF MINORS IN

CONNECTION WITH ENCOURGING SCHOOL TRUNCY AND WORTH WESTINGHOUSE

LONG AREA COORDINATOR SNCC WHO WAS CHARGED WITH RESISTING OFFICER

IN EXECUTION OF PROCESS BOTH FINED THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS AND ONE

HUNDRED EIGHTY DAYS IN JAIL AND PLACED UNDER ONE THOUSAND DOLLAR

APPEAL BOND AND ONE THOUSAND

DOLLAR PEACE BOND WHICH IS REVOCABLE IN EVENT THEY

ARE FOUND GUILTY OF DISTURBING PEACE IN ALABAMA DURING NEXT

TWELVE MONTHS. BOTH ENTERED NOTICE OF APPEAL. COURT SCHEDULE

FOR REMAINING DEFENDANTS NOT YET DETERMINED.

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Mr. Burke Marshall
Assistant Attorney General

September 25, 1963

Director, FBI

RACIAL SITUATION
SELMA, ALABAMA

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In accordance with the request of Mr. John Murphy of your Division on September 24, 1963, the following details concerning the situation at Selma, Alabama, are submitted for your information.

Information was received from [redacted]

[redacted] on September 24, 1963, that John Lewis, an SNCC representative in Selma, and about 1400 Negroes were surrounded in the First Baptist Church in Selma by local and State Police and several hundred deputized citizens. Lewis claimed that the Negroes had been in the church since the night of September 23, 1963, and were being prevented from leaving the church.

Our Mobile Office, which has been observing the racial activity at Selma at the request of the Department, has advised that a Negro youth rally was held at the First Baptist Church on the evening of September 23, 1963, which ended at 11:00 p. m., Central Standard Time. All of those in attendance departed from the church upon the conclusion of the meeting. No violence occurred. Police who were at the scene did not interfere with the departure of the Negroes although at the request of Sheriff James Clark, approximately 50 Alabama State troopers drove around the church in caravan style in a show of force.

Another Negro youth rally was held at the church beginning at 8:00 a. m. on September 24, 1963, with approximately 400 Negroes in attendance. The majority of the Negro youths involved are students at the R. B. Hudson High School in Selma. About 20 law enforcement officers including city police, Sheriff's deputies and Dallas County posse members were at the scene but there were no Alabama State Policemen on duty at the church. Bureau Agents observed that the Negroes were allowed to come and go as they desired from the church in small groups throughout the day.

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Later in the afternoon, 600 to 700 Negro youths left the Hudson High School and proceeded in the direction of the First Baptist Church in groups. The members of one group of approximately 30 to 40 youths who were singing freedom songs were arrested by local police and charged with unlawful assembly. Shortly after, a group of 100 youths, who left the First Baptist Church and marched down the street, was stopped by local police. The youths knelt on the street and sang at which time they were placed under arrest and charged with parading without a permit. All of those arrested, a total of 139, were transported to jail in buses. Bureau Agents observed no incidents of brutality occurring in their presence in connection with the arrests.

The arrests of the Negro youths took place immediately adjacent to a Negro housing project and approximately 50 Alabama State troopers arrived on the scene and notified all residents who were in their yards or on the sidewalks viewing the arrests to go into their homes. They forced Negroes off the streets into their residences.

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Youth activity at the church ceased at about 5:45 p. m. The only subsequent activity at the church on the evening of September 24, 1963, was a meeting of approximately 75 Negro adults. This meeting ended at 10:00 p. m. and no incidents or violence occurred.

The above information was telephonically furnished to the Civil Rights Division on September 24 and 25, 1963.

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TO SAC MOBILE
FROM DIRECTOR FBI

RACIAL SITUATION, SELMA, ALABAMA, RACIAL MATTERS.

IN VIEW OF CURRENT RACIAL UNREST SELMA AND INTENSIFICATION RACIAL DEMONSTRATIONS NEXT WEEK, POSSIBILITY OF RACIAL VIOLENCE, INCLUDING BOMBINGS, EXISTS. IMMEDIATELY AFFORD APPROPRIATE COVERAGE TO LOGICAL TARGET AREAS SUCH AS NEGRO CHURCHES AND OTHER NEGRO MEETING PLACES. COVERAGE TO INCLUDE HOURS OF DARKNESS WHEN POSSIBILITY VIOLENT ACTIVITY MOST LIKELY. MAINTAIN CLOSE CONTACT WITH APPROPRIATE INFORMANTS AND SOURCES FOR ANY INDICATIONS KLAN, OTHER KLAN-TYPE GROUPS OR INDIVIDUALS CONTEMPLATING TAKING VIOLENT ACTION. BUTEL COVERAGE EFFECTED, KEEP BUREAU ADVISED ALL PERTINENT DEVELOPMENTS.

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TO DIRECTOR FBI /157-6-61/
FROM SAC, MOBILE /157-367/ 1 P

RACIAL SITUATION, STATE OF ALABAMA, SELMA, ALABAMA. RM.
REMOTELS TODAY.

YOUTH RALLY HELD TONIGHT AT BROWNS CHAPEL AME CHURCH, SELMA.
RALLY BEGAN APPROXIMATELY SEVEN THIRTY PM CST. ESTIMATED ATTENDANCE
TWO HUNDRED FIFTY TO THREE HUNDRED NEGROES, MOSTLY TEENAGERS.

[REDACTED] STATES NEGRO ATTORNEY PETER HALL, BIRMINGHAM, AND
FRED GRAY, MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA, PRINCIPAL SPEAKERS. TENOR OF
MEETING CONCERNED MORE MASS MARCHES, POSSIBLY BEGINING TOMMORROW.

MEETING TERMINATED TEN FIFTEEN PM CST. NEGROES DISPERSED
PEACEFULLY. COVERAGE OF MEETING MAINTINED BY LOCAL PD WITH EIGHT
OFFICERS IN FOUR CARS PATROLING AREA. ONE SO CAR ON SCENE WITH
TWO DEPUTYS. BUREAU AGENTS OBSERVERS. NO INCIDENTS OCCURRED.

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RACIAL SITUATION, STATE OF ALABAMA, SELMA, ALA. RM. [Redacted]

ABOUT ONE THOUSAND NEGRO YOUTHS CONGREGATED IN FRONT OF R. B HUDSON HIGH SCHOOL, NEGRO HIGH SCHOOL AT SELMA, ABOUT EIGHT AM, CST. THEY SANG FREEDOM SONGS ON SCHOOL PROPERTY AND PRINCIPAL AND TEACHERS PERSUADED CHILDREN TO ENTER SCHOOL. ABOUT TEN SELMA POLICE DEPARTMENT OFFICERS WERE ACROSS STREET STATIONED IN VARIOUS LOCATIONS BUT TOOK NO ACTION AGAINST CHILDREN AS SCHOOL OFFICIALS HANDLED SITUATION. [Redacted]

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CONTACT WITH NEGRO LEADER, SELMA, [REDACTED]
HAS LEFT NEGRO YOUTHS VOID OF LEADERSHIP AT PRESENT AND
SITUATION BEING QUOTE PLAYED BY EAR UNQUOTE. DETERMINED
SNCC REPRESENTATIVE ALLEGEDLY FROM NEW YORK NAMED MRS.
TRACY HALL PRESENTLY ON SCENE AND HOLDING MEETINGS AT
FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, SELMA. BROWN/S CHAPEL AME CHURCH
AND FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH BOTH OPEN TO NEGROES AS OF
SEVEN AM TODAY AND SOME ACTIVITY OCCURRING AT PRESENT
TIME AT THESE TWO CHURCHES AS NUMBER OF NEGRO YOUTHS AND
SOME ADULTS ENTERING CHURCHES.

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STATE OF ALABAMA
SELMA, ALABAMA

Re Mobile airtel to Bureau 9/17/63.

Enclosed for the Bureau are two sets of photographs containing 56 pictures each of the march at Selma, Ala., on 9/16/63.

These photographs are numbered on the back as follows:

- #1 through #5 - Scenes of Brown's Chapel, 508 Sylvan St., Selma, Ala.
- #6 and #7 - Photographs of Dallas County Posse and of officers of Selma Police Department at corner of Selma Ave. and Sylvan St., Selma; and crowd at Brown's Chapel in background
- #8 through #36 - Photographs of Negroes walking in pairs on Lawrence St., Selma, Ala., and being halted at Selma Ave.

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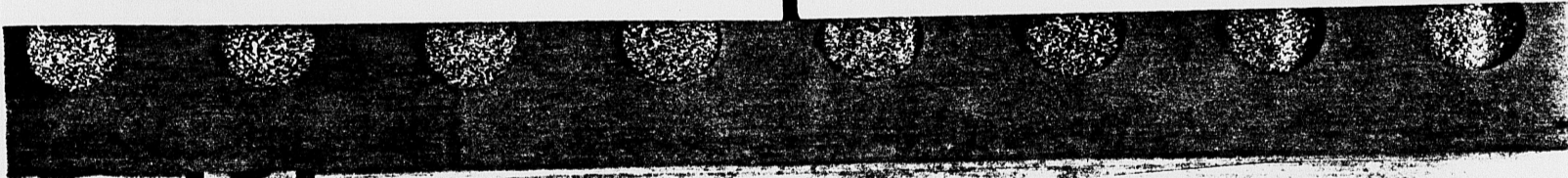
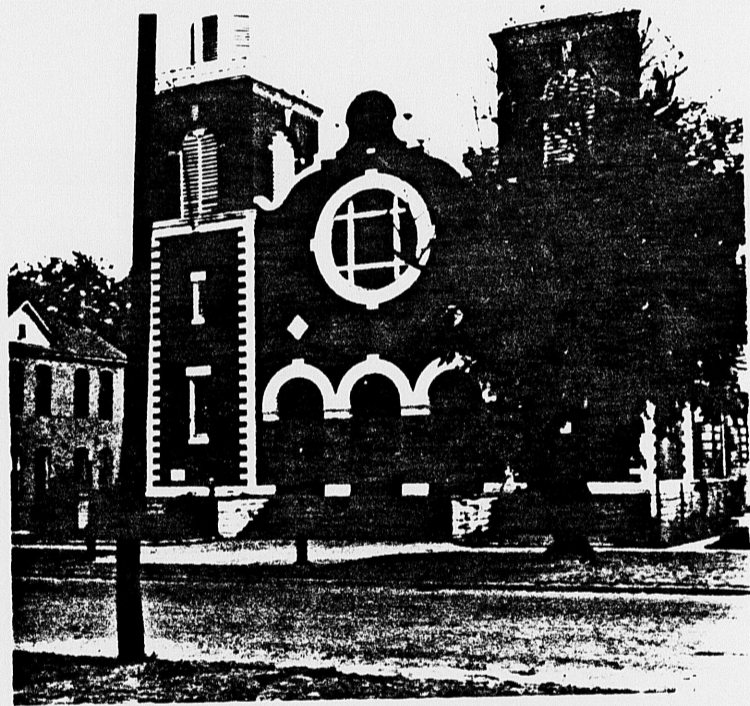
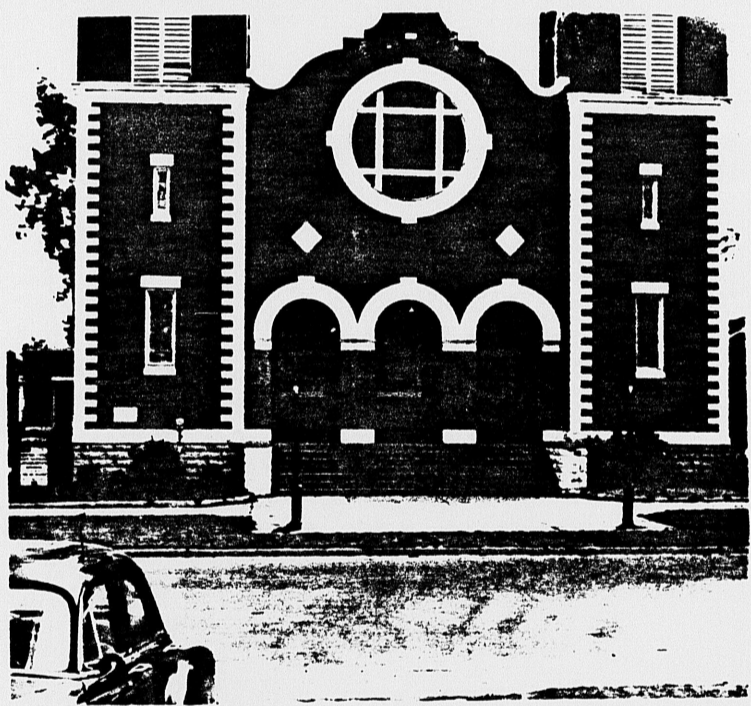
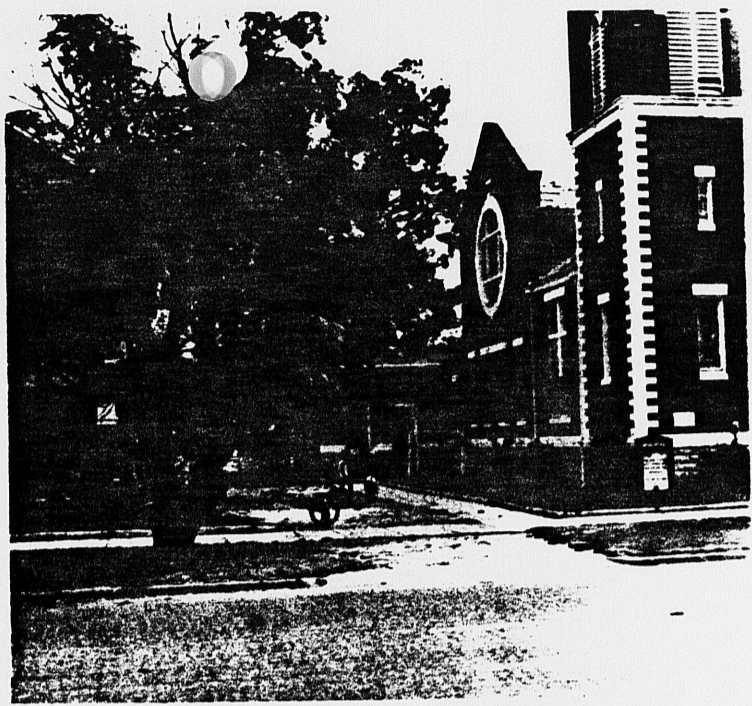
- Photographs of arrest of Negroes by Lt. T. L. PYRON, Selma Police Department

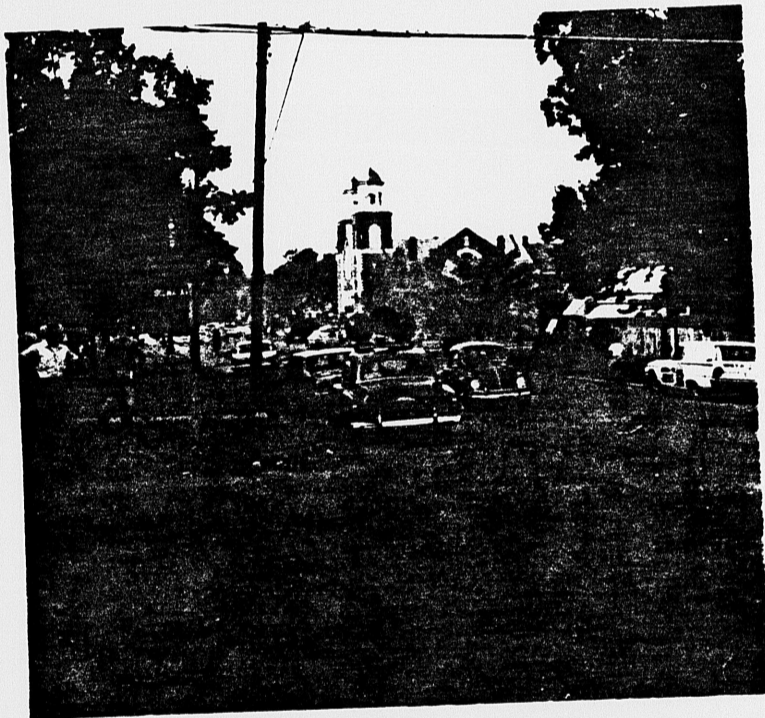
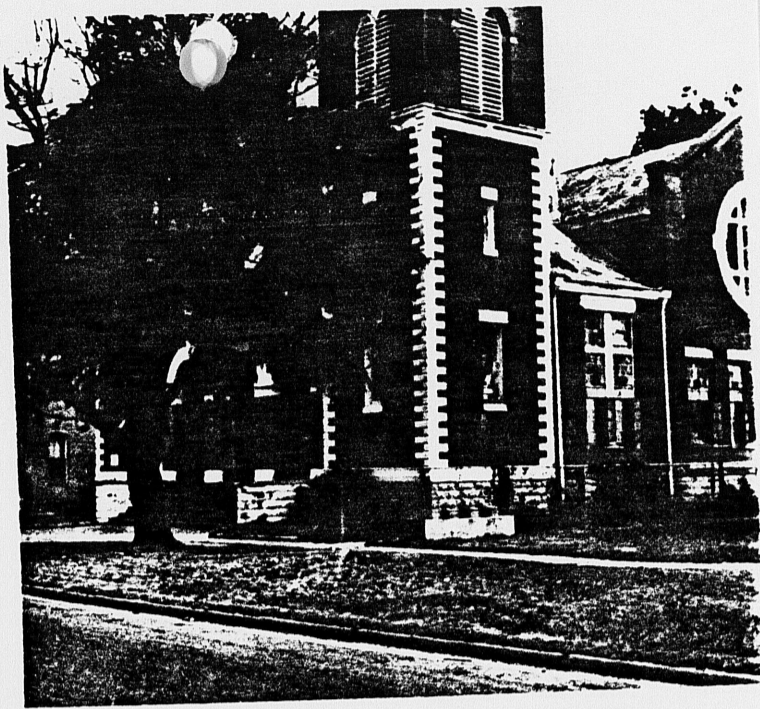
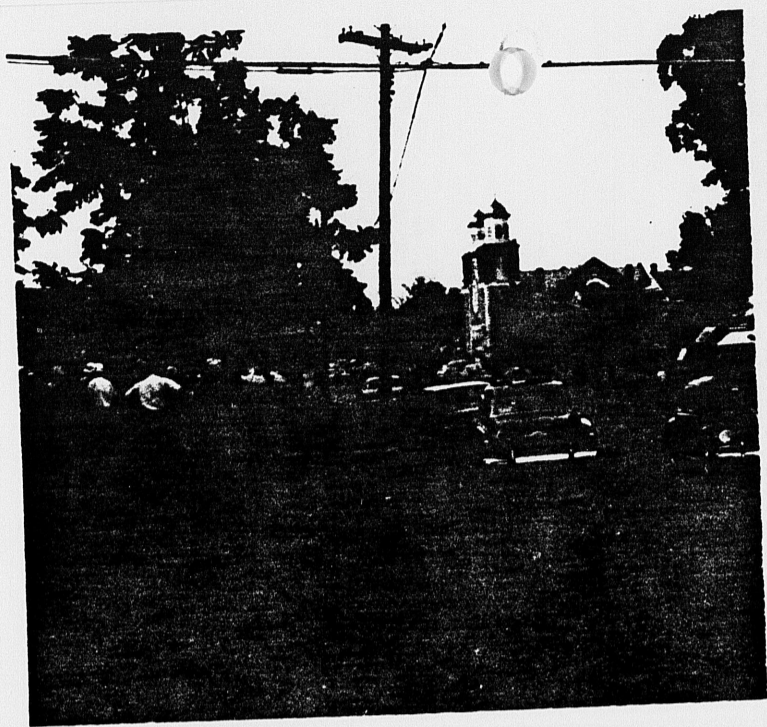
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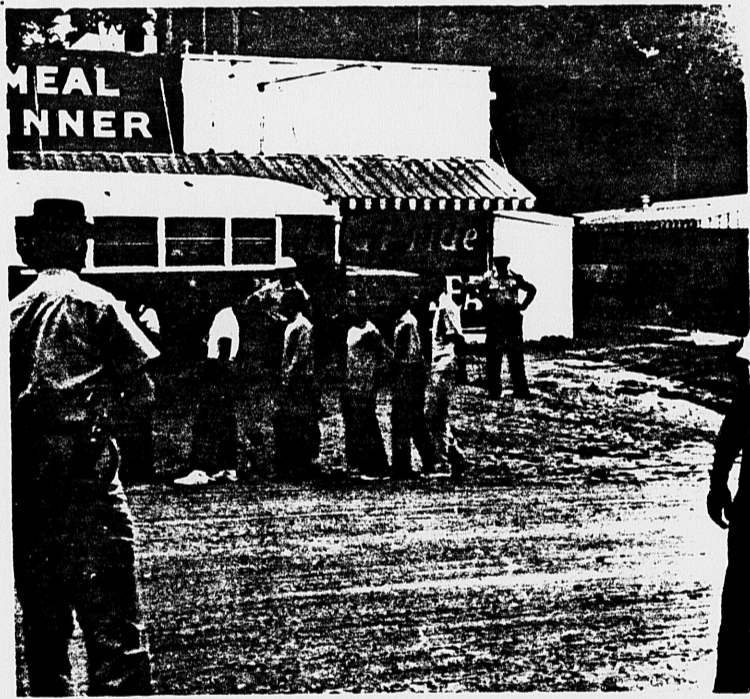
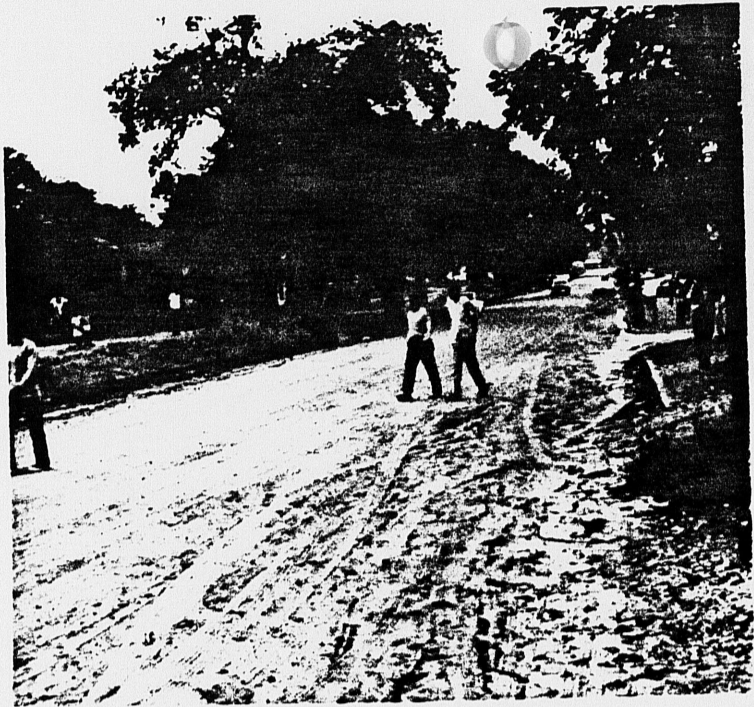
- Photographs of arrested Negroes waiting to get on buses

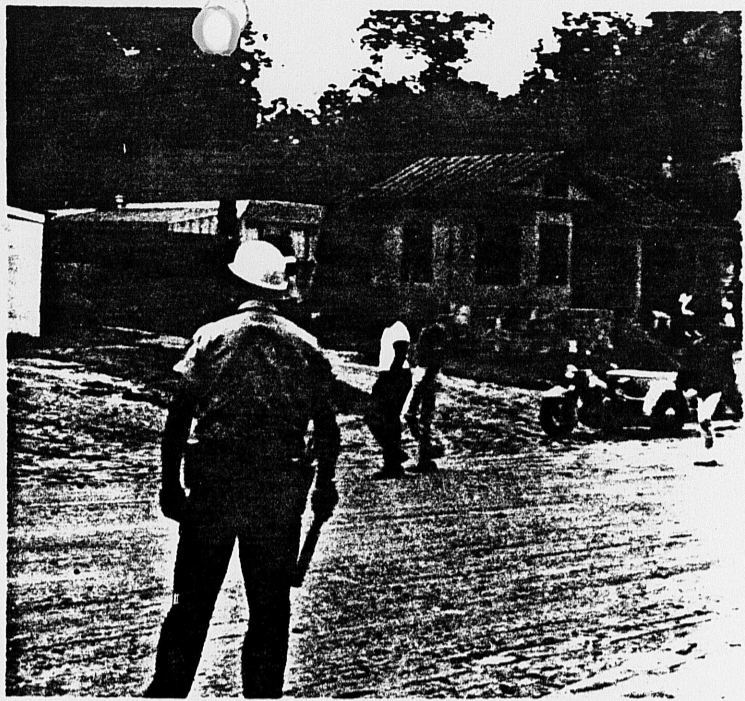
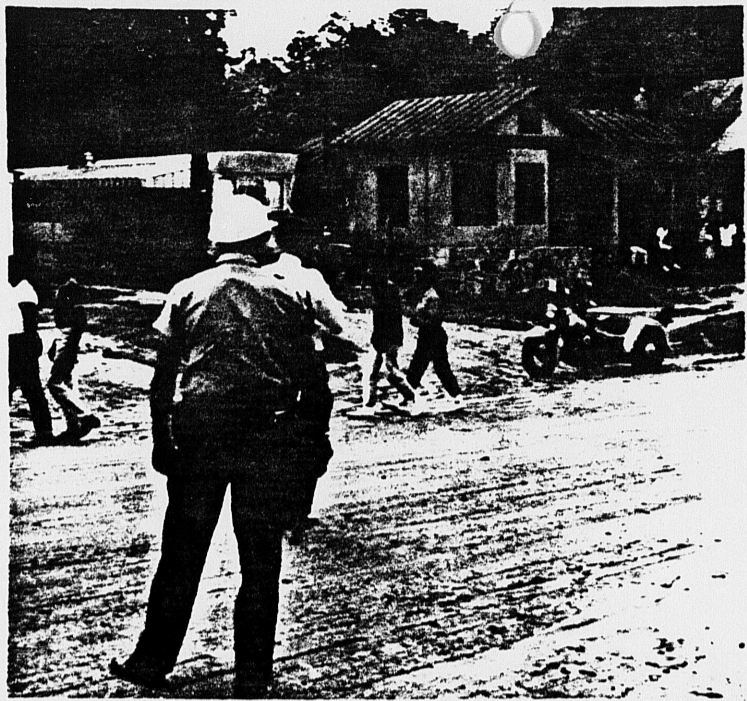
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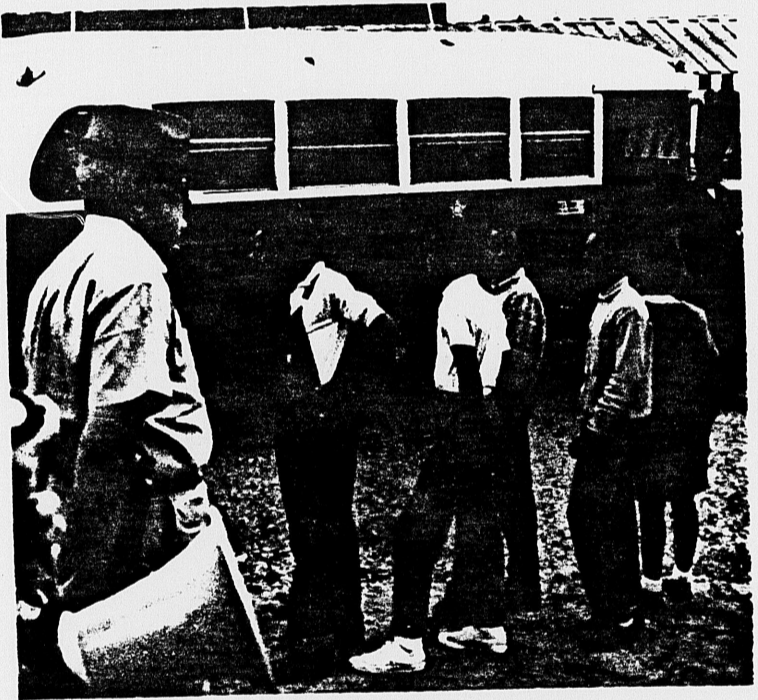
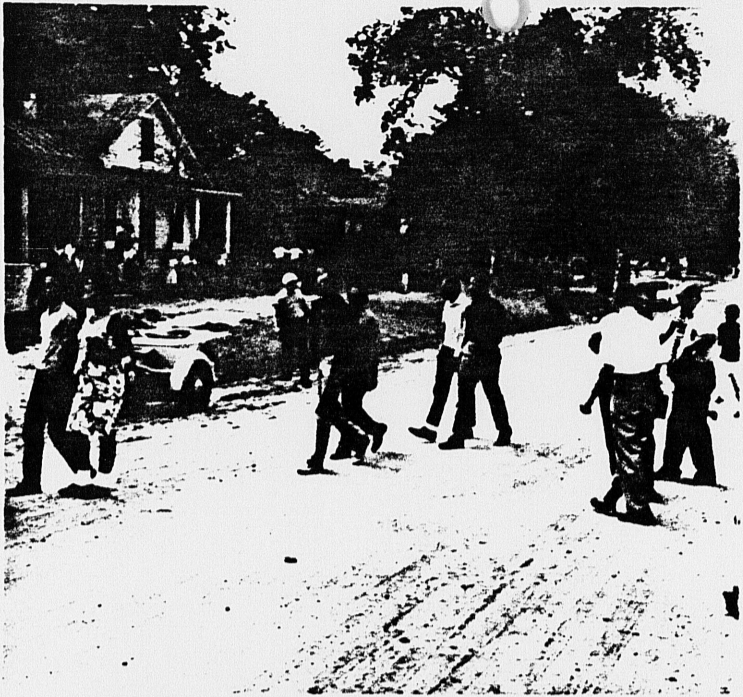
- Photographs of Negroes being loaded on buses and being taken to jail.

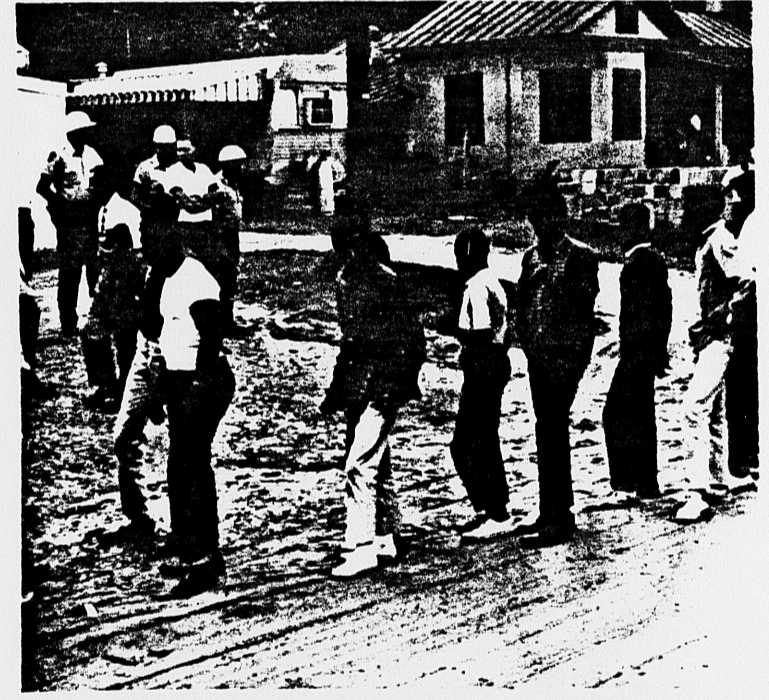
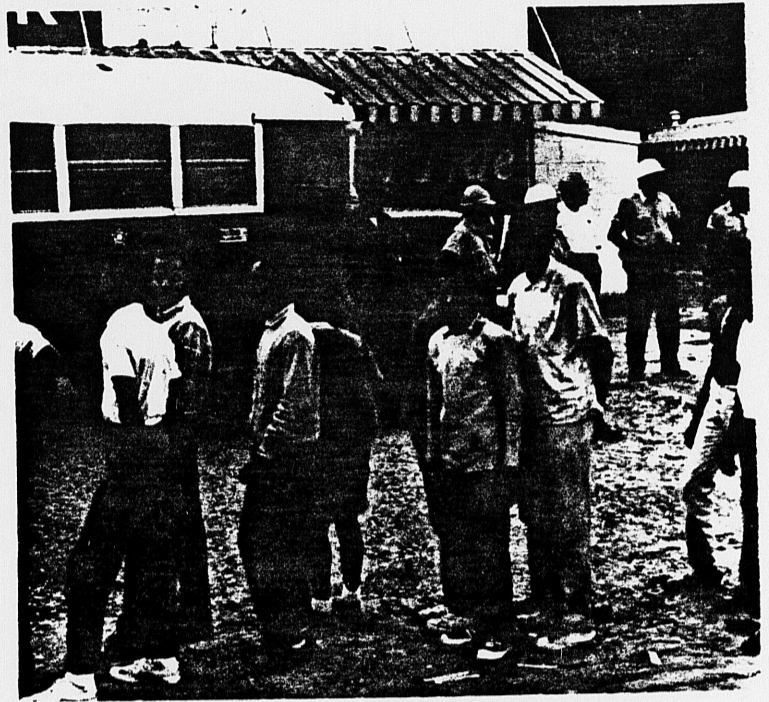


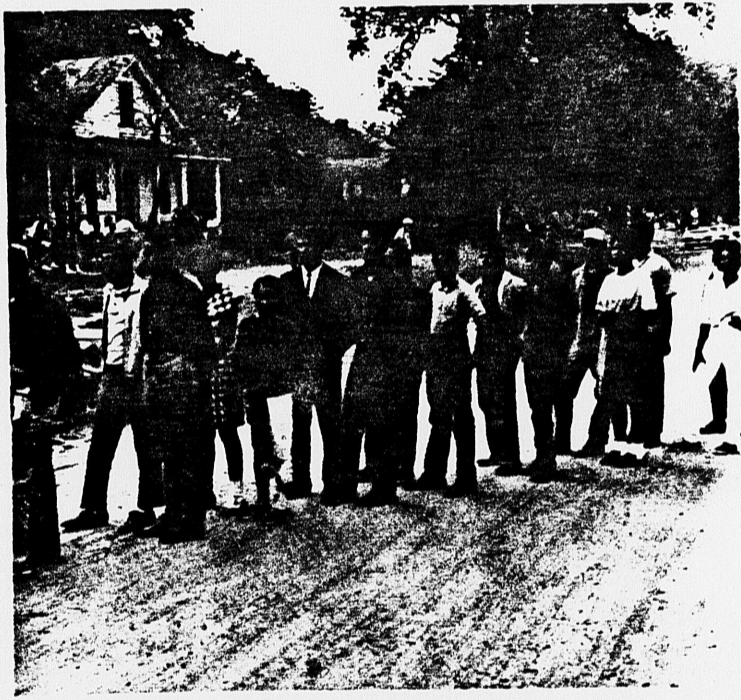
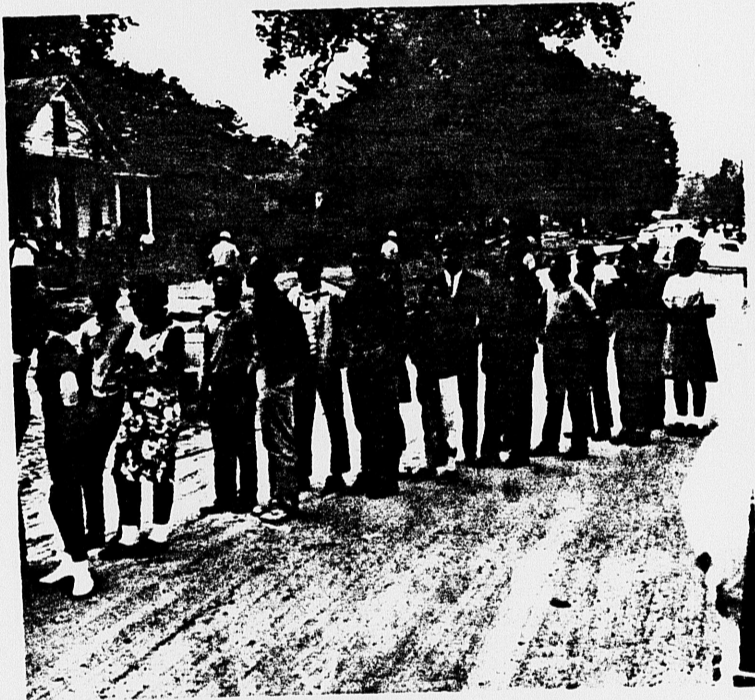
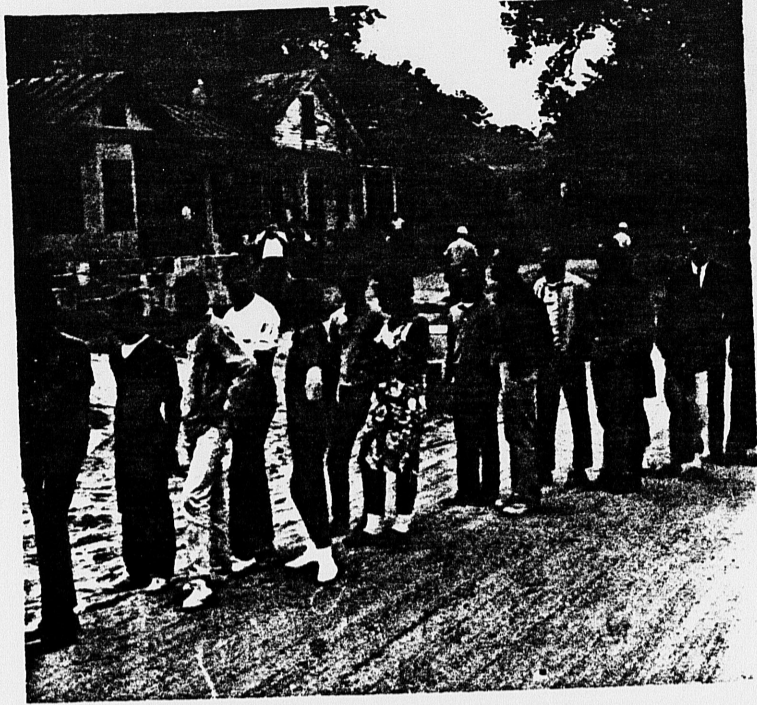


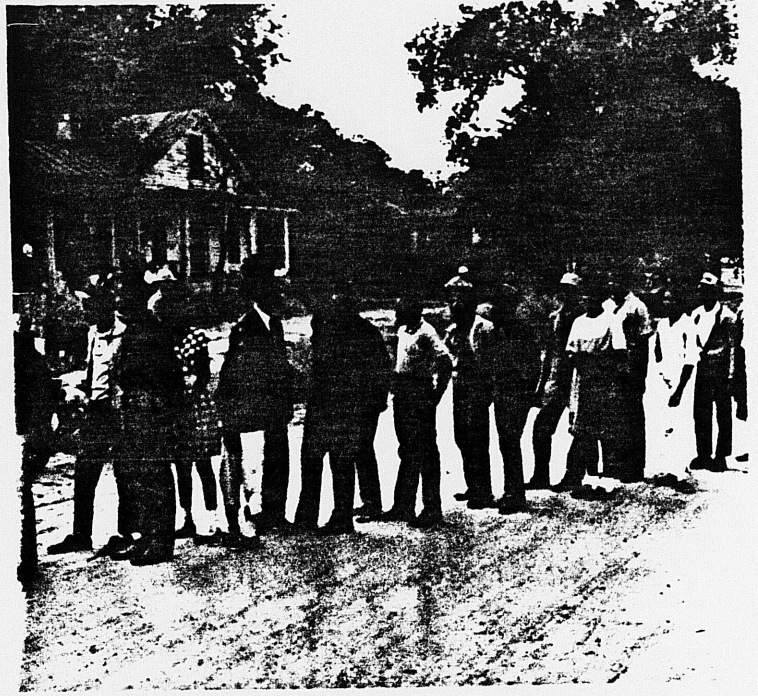
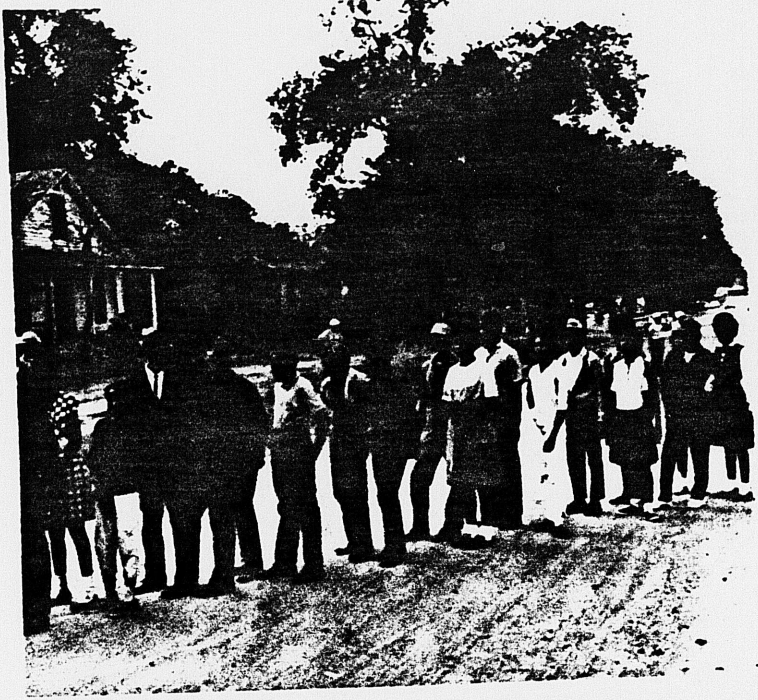




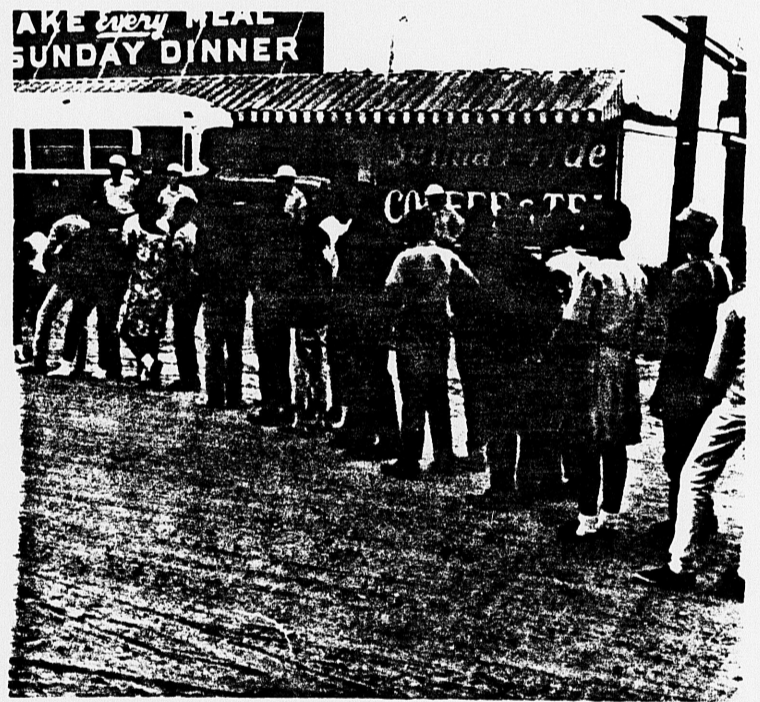
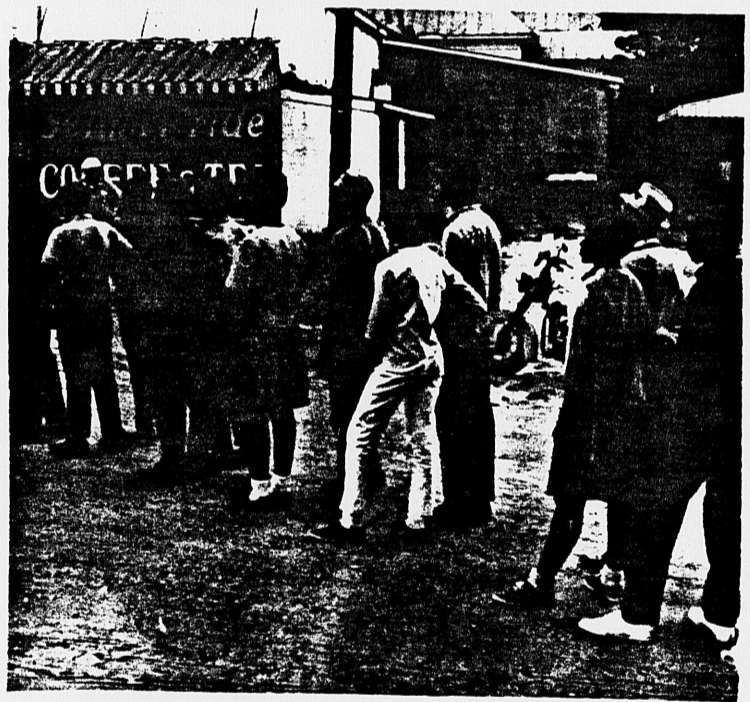
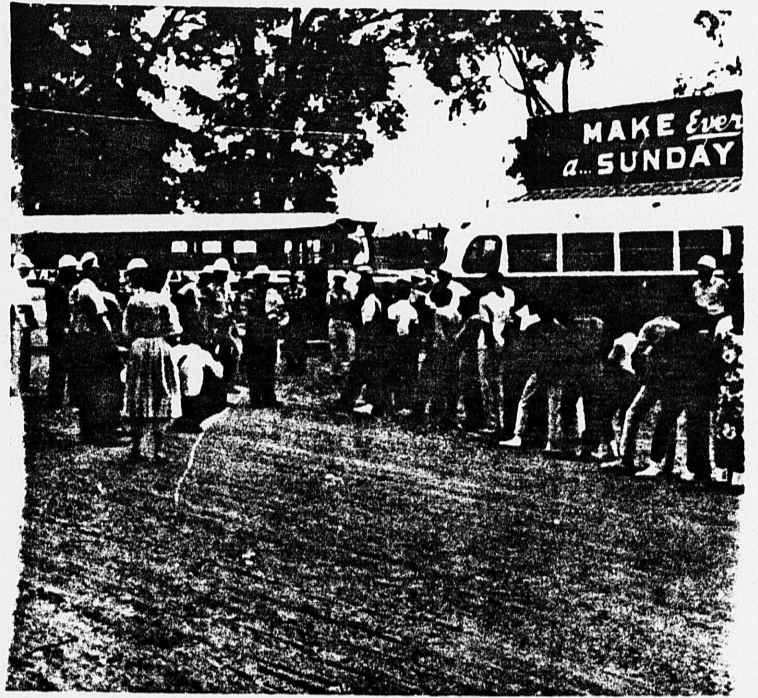


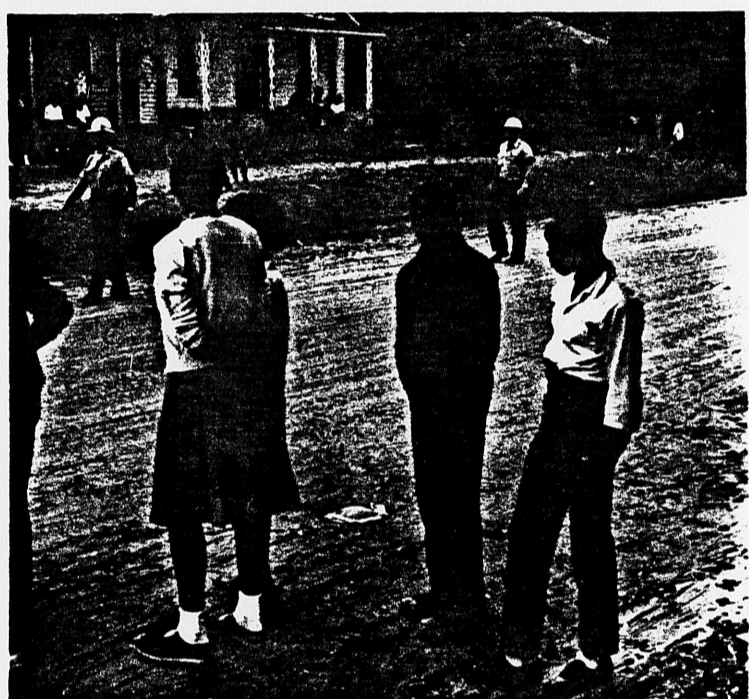


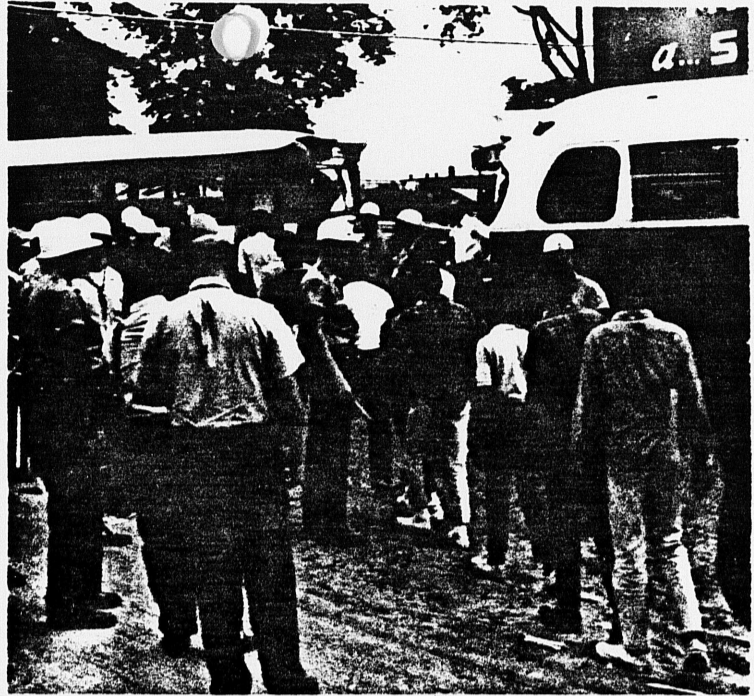
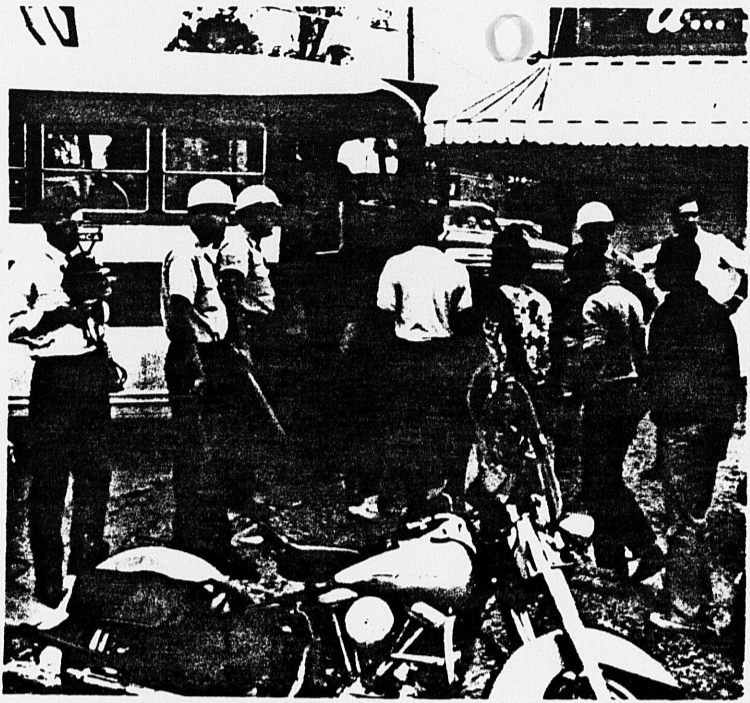


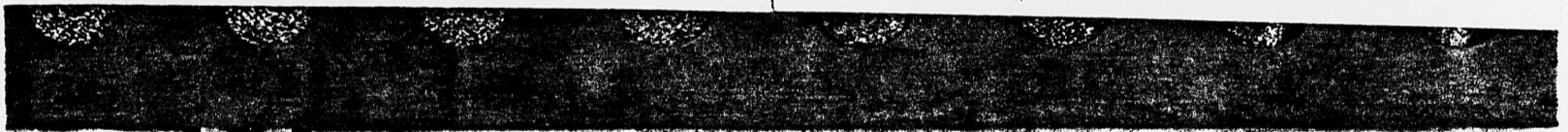
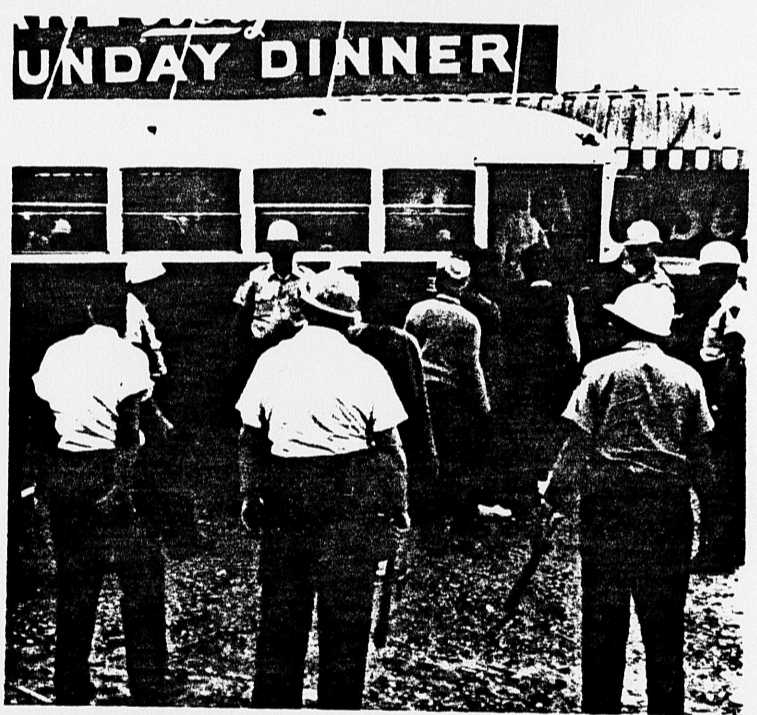


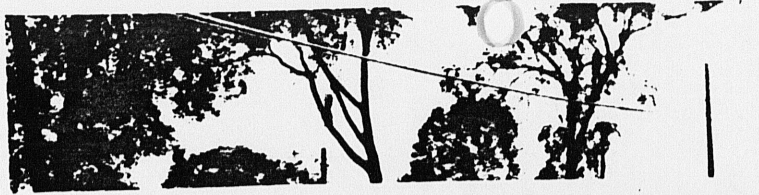












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TO DIRECTOR 7 AND SAC MOBILE

FROM SAC NEW YORK 157-

RACIAL SITUATION, MOBILE SELMA, ALABAMA, RM.

RE NY TEL TO THE DIRECTOR AND MOBILE THIS DATE CAPTIONED AS ABOVE.

[REDACTED], WHO HAS FURNISHED RELIABLE INFORMATION IN THE PAST, ADVISED THIS DATE AS FOLLOWS.

CLARENCE JONES IN CONTACT WITH ONE CLAY STOUT WHO ADVISED JOHN LEWIS AND ABOUT FOURTEEN HUNDRED NEGROES ARE SURROUNDED IN A CHURCH IN SELMA, ALABAMA, AND THAT LOCAL SHERIFF ON LOCAL RADIO ASKED FOR ALL ALBE MEN TO COME TO JOIN HIM AND COL. LINGO AND TO BRING THEIR FIREARMS AND IF THEY DID NOT HAVE THEM, THEY WOULD PROVIDE THEM. FIVE HUNDRED PERSONS REPORTEDLY ALREADY SURROUNDING CHURCH. ONE MALEY DUFTY /80/ REPORTEDLY CONTACTED CBS TO GET SOMEONE DOWN THERE TO COVER SITUATION. TELEGRAMS WILL BE SENT TO ATTORNEY GENERAL, BURKE MARSHALL AND PRESIDENT. STOUT STATED " IF THE TIME EVER WAS IT SEEMS TO ME THE TIME IS NOW". INFORMANT ADVISED STOUT DID NOT FURTHER EXPLAIN THE ABOVE STATEMENT. STOUT STATED IT LOOKS LIKE THERE IS GOING TO BE SOME MORE BLOOD SHED AND THAT WORTH, WILLIAM WORTHY, AND THE MINISTER OF THE CHURCH HAD ALREADY BEEN DRAGGED OUT OF THE CHURCH.

JONES AND STOUT INDICATED THEY PLAN TO FLY TO ALABAMA, SEND FURTHER DETAILS AVAILBLE.

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MR. BELMONT FOR THE DIRECTOR

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URGENT 9-27-63 3-15 PM JEB
TO DIRECTOR, FBI /157-6-61/
FROM SAC, MOBILE /157-367/ 2P

RACIAL SITUATION, STATE OF ALA., SELMA, ALA. RM.
NO ACTIVITY TAKING PLACE SELMA, ALA. BROWN-S CHAPEL
AME CHURCH OPEN. APPROXIMATELY TWENTY TO THIRTY TEENAGERS
SEEN ON STEPS AND ON OUTSIDE OF CHURCH. NO MEETING
APPEARS TO BE TAKING PLACE. CONSTANTLY HEAVY RAINFALL
PRESENTLY OCCURING AT SELMA. FELTON HENDERSON, NEGRO
DEPARTMENTAL ATTORNEY, ON SCENE AND STATES IN CONTACT
WITH NEGRO LEADERS. ADVISES NO ACTIVITY EXCEPT APPEARANCE OF
ISOLATED PICKETS WILL TAKE PLACE OVER WEEKEND, HOWEVER EXPECTS FULL
SCALE ACTIVITY AT SELMA DURING WEEK NINE THIRTY THROUGH TEN FOUR
INSTANT, INCLUDING MARCHES, PICKETING AND OTHER DIRECT ACTION
DEMONSTRATIONS. JAMES FORMAN, TITULAR HEAD, SNCC,
ACCORDING TO ATTORNEY, ON SCENE AND HANDLING ALL PLANNING.

PRATHIA HALL, PREVIOUSLY REFERRED TO AS TRACY HALL IN
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MOTEL NINE TWENTYFIVE INSTANT, ON SCENE AND IS FIELD
SECRETARY, SNCC, FROM PHILADELPHIA. ~~FNU~~ PRATT, NEGRO
ATTORNEY FROM NEW YORK FOR SNCC, EXPECTED MOMENTARILY AT
SELMA WITH BOND MONEY. [REDACTED]

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STATES A NEGRO ARRIVED IN SELMA LAST NIGHT WHOSE NAME
UNKNOWN TO SOURCE WITH QUOTE PLENTY OF MONEY UNQUOTE.

MRS. DICK ~~X~~ GREGORY, WIFE OF NEGRO COMEDIAN, ON SCENE AT
SELMA. DISPOSITIONS HAVE BEEN MADE ON SEVENTYFOUR ^{Cal.}

JUVENILES IN PROBATE COURT, SELMA, AS OF NINE TWENTYSEVEN

INSTANT. ALL RELEASED TO CUSTODY OF PARENT OR GUARDIAN
TO RETURN TO SCHOOL ON ONE YEAR PROBATION UNDER SUPERVISION
OF DALLAS COUNTY WELFARE AUTHORITIES. LIST OBTAINED.

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RE: RACIAL SITUATION
STATE OF ALABAMA
SELMA, ALABAMA
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Reference Mobile airtel to Bureau 9/20/63.

Enclosed for the Bureau are two sets of 24 photographs each taken at Selma, Ala., and described as follows:

#1 through #3 - Photographs of Tabernacle Baptist Church, Broad St. and Minter Ave., Selma, Ala., taken 9/17/63 where Negro mass meeting held same date.

#4 through #7 - Photographs of Ward's Chapel, Tremont St. and Philpot Ave., Selma, Ala., taken 9/18/63 where Negro mass meeting held same date.

#8 through #16 - Photographs of single picket in the area of Carter's Drugstore, Broad St., Selma, Ala., and subsequent arrest of picket by Selma Police Department on 9/18/63.

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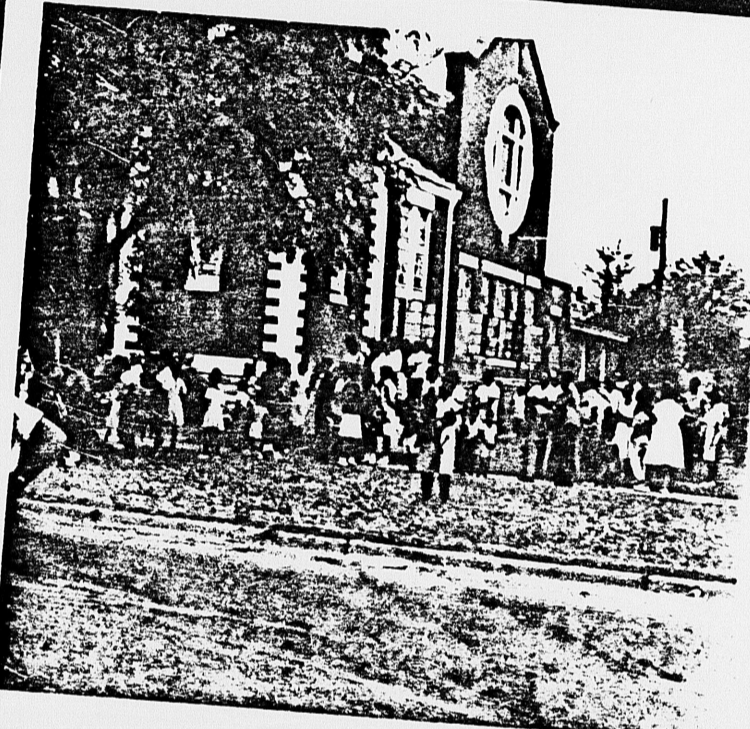
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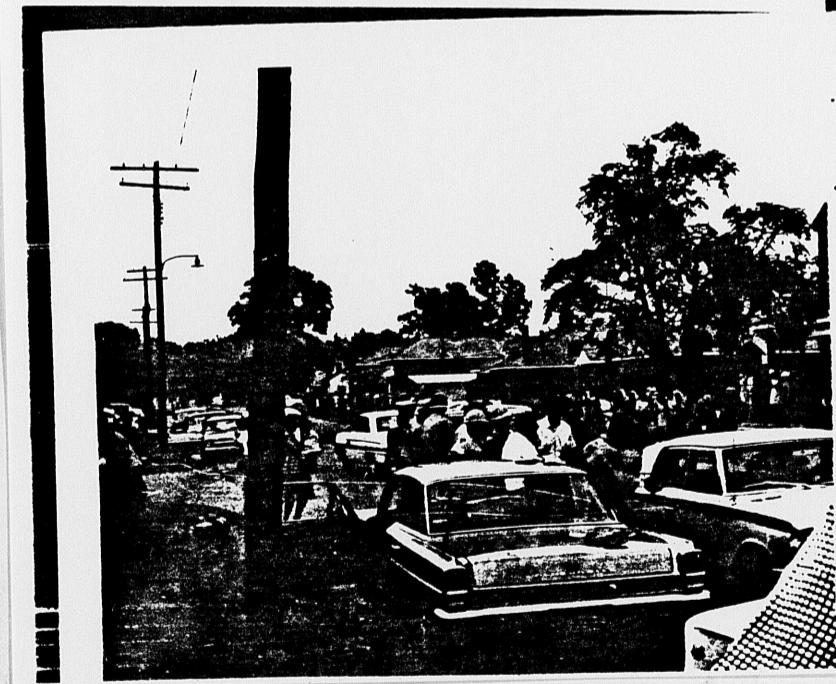
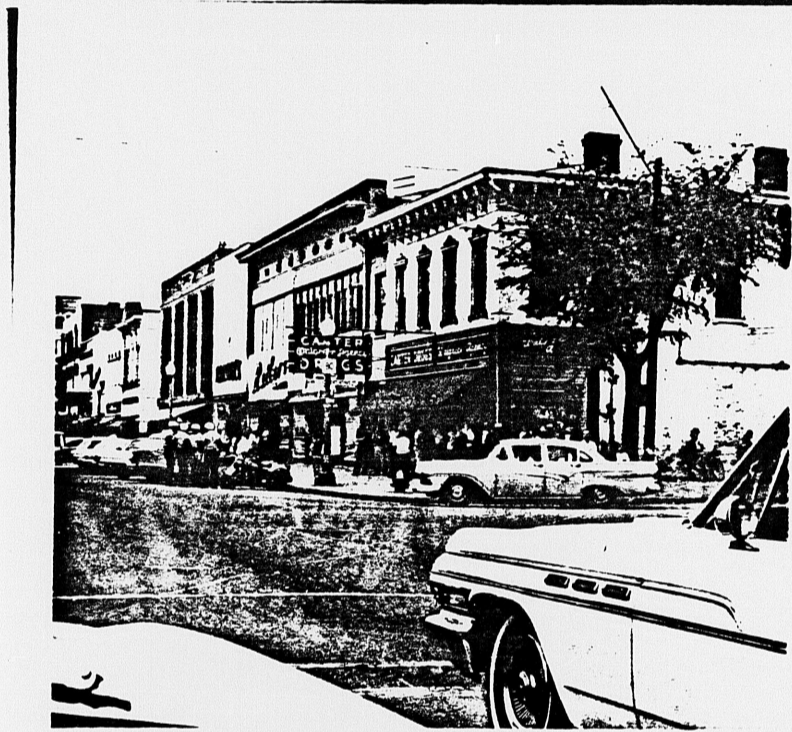
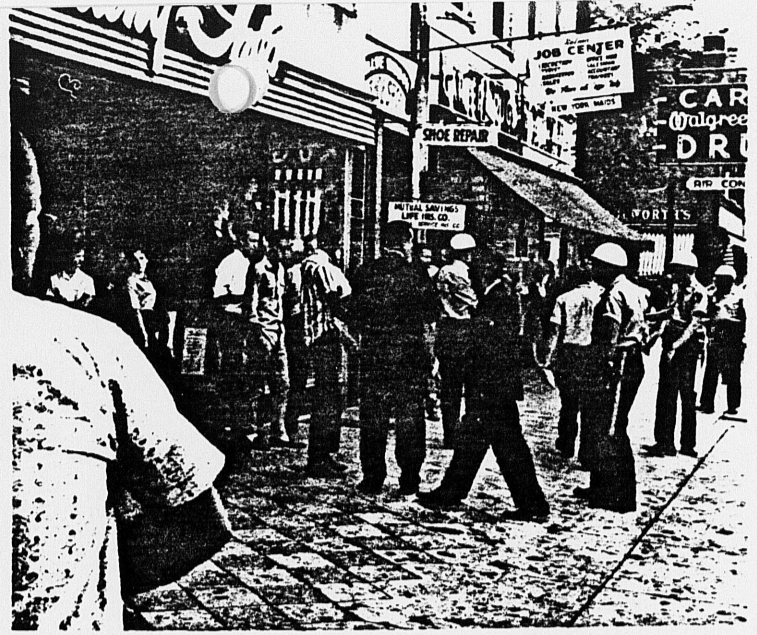
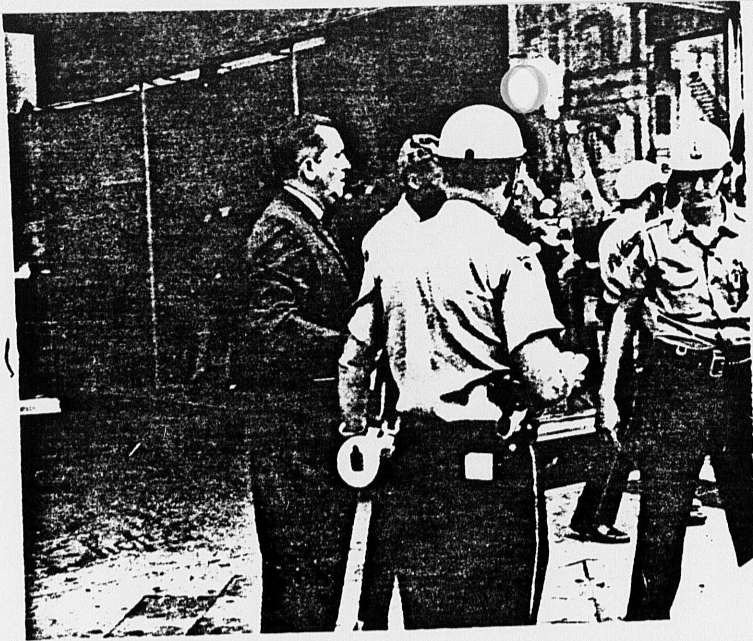
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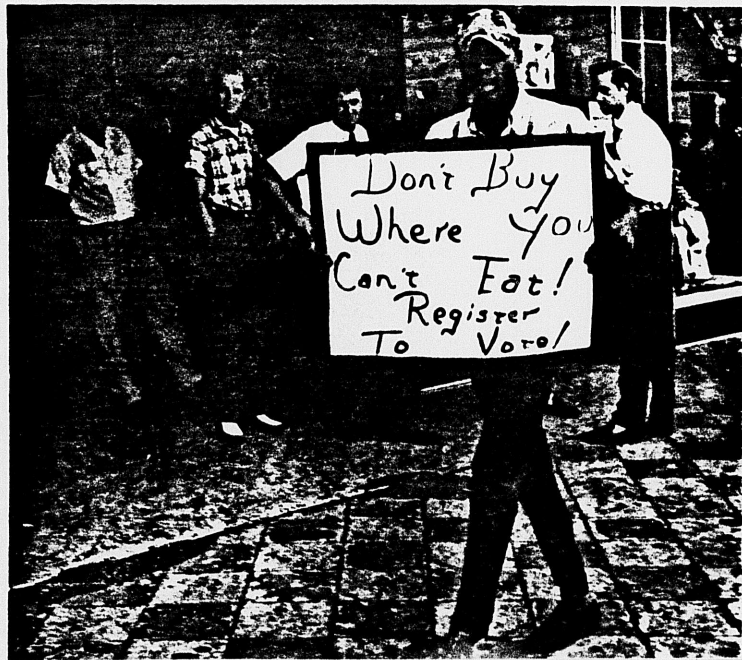
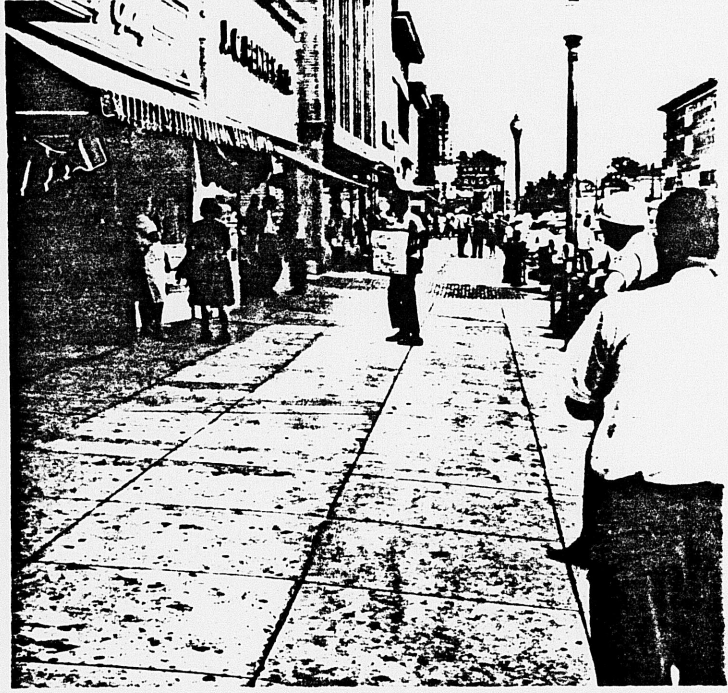
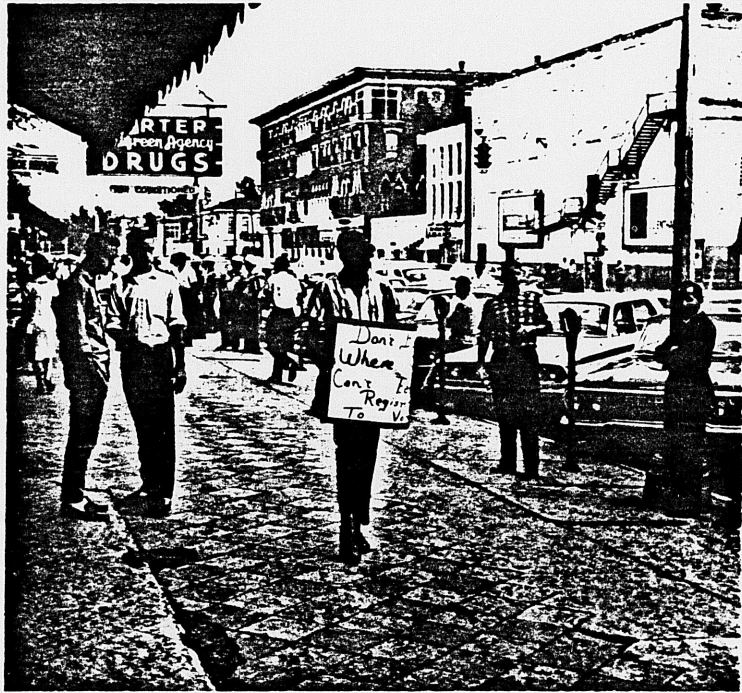
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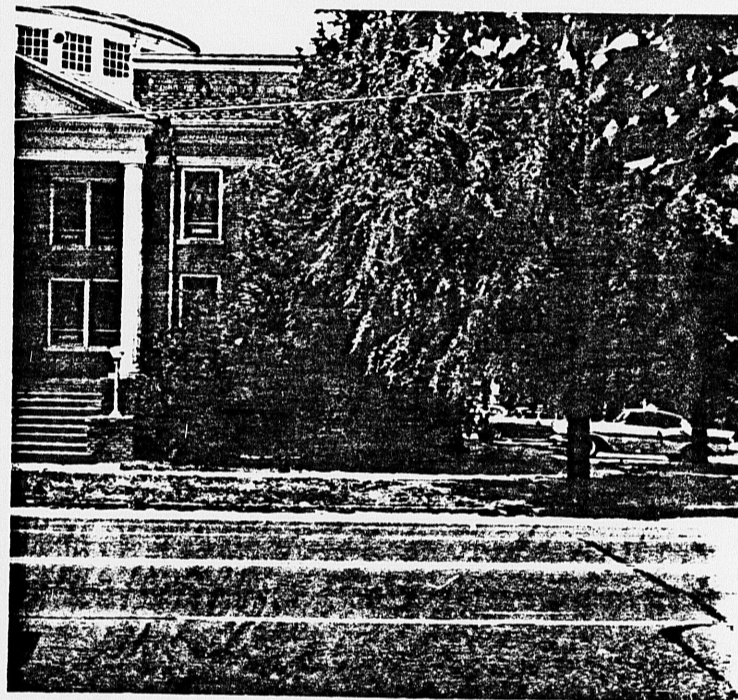
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#17 through #24. - Photographs of Negro meeting at Brown's
Chapel, 508 Sylan St., Selma, Ala.,
taken 9/18/63.









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RACIAL SITUATION, STATE OF ALABAMA, SELMA, ALA., RM. [redacted] b7c
REMOTEL TODAY.

NO ACTIVITY OCCURRED THROUGHOUT DAY AT BROWN- S CHAPEL AME CHURCH WHERE NEGRO YOUTHS WERE CONGREGATION. SHORTLY AFTER THREE PM, PRIOR TO LEAVING NEGRO HIGH SCHOOL, STUDENTS AT SCHOOL SANG, CLAPPED HANDS AND HAD RALLY. THEY DISPERSED FROM SCHOOL AND AT APPROXIMATELY FOUR TWENTY PM, CST, SIXTY TO SEVENTY NEGRO YOUTHS MASSED ON STEPS OF BROWNS CHAPEL CHURCH, SANG FREEDOM SONGS, CLAPPED HANDS. COVERAGE OF AREA MAINTAINED BY SELMA PD CARS. BUREAU AGENTS OBSERVERS ON SCENE. AT APPROXIMATELY FIVE PM, CST, THE YOUTHS DISPERSED FROM STEPS OF CHURCH. NO INCIDENTS OCCURRED, NO DEMONSTRATION ACTIVITY PLANNED FOR TONIGHT AT SELMA, HOWEVER, ANOTHE CHURCH MEETING WILL POSSIBLY OCCUR. SURVEILLANCE BEING MAINTAINED OF CHURCHES WHERE RALLIES HAVE OCCURRED PAST WEEK IN SELMA. DEPARTMENTAL ATTORNEY FELTON HENDERSON ON SCENE AND IN CONTACT WITH SELMA RA. HE HAS BEEN APPRISED OF COMPLETE SITUATION. SEP 30 1963

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Observing Agents mentioned in this memorandum were SAs [Redacted] and [Redacted]

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He also stated that at the meeting at the church on the night of September 23, 1963 there were some 700 to 800 Negroes in attendance however well over 250 had to go to the basement of the church for safety precautions as overcrowding at the church was causing a fire hazard. He said the Negroes were informed of that on the night of September 23, 1963 by the Fire Chief of Selma, Alabama. [REDACTED] stated that the meeting broke up at 11:00 p.m. and the Negroes dispersed from the church peacefully without incident.

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At 3:15 p.m., September 24, 1963 Special Agents of the FBI observed approximately 600 to 700 Negro youths departing from R. B. Hudson High School, the Negro high school in Selma, corner of First Avenue and Lapsley Street, in large groups. They proceeded to Broad Street in an easterly direction, turned south on Broad Street walking in the direction of Jeff Davis Avenue. One large group of 30 to 40 Negroes were singing freedom songs and walking in a group. At the corner of Small Avenue and Broad Street, this group was stopped by Sheriff James G. Clark, Jr., his Deputies and Possee members and city Police Department officers. They were informed that they were under arrest for "unlawful assembly and inciting to riot", violation of Title 14, Section 407, Alabama Code, they were placed on a bus and taken to jail. This arrest was accomplished without incident by law enforcement officers at about 3:45 p.m., CST. The remaining groups of Negroes split into smaller groups and proceeded on toward Jeff Davis Avenue.

At about 4:00 p.m. Special Agents of the FBI observed a group of approximately 100 Negro youths march out of the First Baptist Church, corner of Jeff Davis and Sylvan Streets, and proceed south on Sylvan Street and were stopped by the Sheriff, his Deputies and Possee members and local Police Department officers. They were informed that they were parading without a permit and subject to arrest. The Negroes immediately knelt in the street

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and started singing and praying. The arrest took place immediately adjacent to a Negro housing project, George Washington Carver Homes, and large crowds of Negro onlookers were on the sidewalks and lawns of the project. Two buses were brought to the scene and the Negroes that were parading were loaded onto the buses and taken to jail. After this arrest took place approximately 50 to 75 Alabama State Troopers were called onto the scene by Sheriff Clark and 25 Alabama State Troopers' cars arrived at the scene and the Negro onlookers were informed by Major Joe Smelley (NA), Chief, Department of Public Safety, through a public address system on his car, to disperse and go into their homes immediately. When the crowd appeared reluctant to disperse, the Troopers immediately came out of the cars and cleared the area. No incident of violence was observed in this operation or during the arrest of the Negroes who were parading.

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On the evening of September 24, 1963 Bureau Agents observed a meeting at the First Baptist Church which appeared to be a spontaneous meeting of adult Negroes and was not a large gathering. The meeting lasted from about 8:30 p.m., CST, to 10:00 p.m., CST. No coverage was afforded the meeting inside of the church by local authorities and the Negroes were addressed by an unidentified group spokesman. There was some singing and hand clapping at the meeting but no efforts to organize a demonstration out of the church. Outside coverage was maintained by one Sheriff's Office car with one Deputy Sheriff and three Posse members and one Selma Police Department car was on

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the scene with two officers. The meeting terminated at about 10:00 p.m., CST, and the Negroes peacefully dispersed.

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On September 23, 1963 [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] advised as follows:

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Two meetings were scheduled for the evening of September 23, 1963, one at the First Baptist Church, on the corner of Jeff Davis and Sylvan Streets, which would be the main Negro voter registration rally, and a side meeting would be held at Brown's Chapel AME Church for Negro youths.

Brown's Chapel is approximately one-half block down the street from the First Baptist Church.

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~~John Lewis~~, Chairman of SNCC, would speak at the rally and would probably speak to the youths also, as he is an aggressive leader among the Negroes, and especially among Negro youths.

Some consideration would be given by Negro youth leaders to also picket on the night of September 23, 1963, either the Dallas County Courthouse or the National Guard Armory in Selma; [REDACTED] said he felt any outside demonstrations apart from the rallies might set off wholesale demonstrations which would "get out of hand," and he was of the opinion any pickets should be discouraged that night. He pointed out on September 24, 1963 it is being contemplated that demonstrations would occur in Selma, such as sit-ins, picketing and possible marches.

On September 23, 1963 the City Council of Selma turned down the petition of SNCC for a permit to parade and, [REDACTED] plans were being formulated to organize wholesale demonstrations in Selma. Last week, the week of September 16-20, 1963, was only a prelude to the demonstrations which would take place, [REDACTED] He further stated he had spoken to Reverend Martin Luther King at Atlanta, Georgia, on September 22, 1963, and King had promised to come to Selma within the next few weeks if the SNCC leaders could obtain a large enough hall for him to speak, for the expected turnout could be as many as 5,000 people. [REDACTED] Reverend Fred Shuttlesworth was appearing in Selma and would speak on October 22, 1963.

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[REDACTED] that an organized campaign was underway at the present time to have Negroes withdraw

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their patronage from downtown Selma merchants, which is known as "selective buying." This is being organized at the present time and is expected to be effected within the next two or three weeks.

On September 23, 1963 [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] advised he had received information that at least 50 Alabama State Troopers are presently billeted at the National Guard Armory in Selma. [REDACTED]

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On September 23, 1963 Bureau Agents observed the Negro rallies at the First Baptist Church and Brown's Chapel AME Church, which meetings began at 7:30 p.m., CST. At approximately 8:30 p.m., Negro youths from Brown's Chapel AME Church moved over to the voter registration rally at the First Baptist Church and joined Negro adults at this meeting. The total attendance for both rallies was estimated at some 600 Negroes. Parked in the immediate area of the churches and patrolling the area were some 50 officers of the Selma Police Department. Sheriff James G. Clark, Jr., was stationed in his vehicle in front of the church. Approximately four to six law enforcement officers were in the church taking notes and affording coverage of the meeting. About seven blocks from the church, near the Southern Bell Telephone Company building in Selma, were parked some 19 Alabama State Troopers' vehicles with a standby force estimated at about 60 troopers. About four blocks from the church were two busloads of Dallas County Sheriff's Posse members, estimated at about 60 to 70 men. The posse members were dressed in khaki clothes with shoulder patches and hard helmets, identifying them as posse members. They were armed with side arms and billy clubs. It was also observed that the Alabama State Troopers were armed with carbines, shot-guns, side arms, clubs and wearing hard hats.

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As the voter registration rally terminated at approximately 11:00 p.m., and the Negroes were filing out of the church, a broadcast was made by Sheriff James G. Clark, Jr., over the Alabama Highway Patrol network to Chief Joe Smelley stating, "They have been talking about you in the meeting, so let's let them have a look at you; come on by the church." About ten minutes later as the Negroes were dispersing from the church, a caravan of 19 Alabama State Troopers' cars drove in caravan style by the church and it was observed that carbines were in the hands of these Alabama State Troopers pointed skyward through the window.

On September 24, 1963

[REDACTED] furnished the following report: [REDACTED]

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ALA ~~X~~ The meeting opened with a songfest led by J. Prichett, which lasted until approximately 8:05 p.m. Rev. J. D. Hunter then addressed the meeting, pointing out to the Negroes that this was a "big night" for freedom. He stated that less than 300 Negroes were eligible to vote in Dallas County, Alabama. He stated local officers had no right to interfere with court rulings and that the Negroes will "teach local authorities a few things before it is over." He urged all Negroes to register to vote.

At about 8:30 p.m., the Negro youths from Brown's Chapel filed into the church singing a freedom song. *ALA*

At 8:40 p.m., Mrs. A. P. ~~X~~ Boynton led a memorial service for a few minutes for the "two young boys killed in Birmingham." Thereafter Marie Foster led an educational meeting and pointed out to the Negroes it was time to remember the color of their skin and time to love one another.

John Lewis spoke to the meeting at 9:50 p.m., and stated he was born in Troy, Alabama, and was head of the movement in Nashville, Tennessee. He

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stated he was on the Freedom Ride to Birmingham and Montgomery, Alabama, in 1961. He advised his heart was full of sorrow for Birmingham and that Selma at the present time is involved in a holy crusade. He stated he was here for freedom and that the Negroes would get their freedom. He blamed Governor Wallace of Alabama for the bloodshed in Birmingham and he also blamed the President of the United States and Al Lingo and his "goons." He advised Negroes are in this movement together and they have to be free now and would not wait. He stated they must want to be free. He pointed out no Negro officials have been elected in Dallas County or the state of Alabama. He understands that the Negroes are not buying in town and this was a good movement. He said the Negroes had to break the back of the downtown section of Selma in order to succeed in their movement. He said Negroes must march, demonstrate and sit in. He urged the Negroes to forget violence and that Lingo was in Birmingham and now he was in Selma. He pointed out that when you arrest 19 people for nothing, you better get ready to arrest 100 or thousands. He told the Negroes if you must give blood we must give ours. Negroes want to be free in 1963; that justice would roll in Selma; that Governor Wallace is a madman and is sick. The Negroes must march, declare a non-violent war in Selma as well as in the nation. The forces of Lingo, Clark and Mullen will not stop the Negroes; that the Negroes must give themselves and their lives if they have to. They must say something about Wallace, Clark and his posse, and they cannot stop the Negroes. He stated "hot laws" are made overnight and the Negro cannot obey these laws. He said he is going to the courthouse someday and see brown faces holding offices in the courthouse; that the Negroes will turn the town "upside down". He said he invited all Negroes to come over to Parrish High School (white high school in Selma) and the Negroes would be sitting over there.

Mrs. A. P. Boynton advised the collection was \$393.78.

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Reverend L. L. ~~X~~Anderson, Pastor, Baptist Tabernacle Church in Selma, criticized Carter of Carter's Drugstore in Selma. He pointed out Carter owned 51 per cent of the City National Bank stock and Carter had time to "hit one of our Negro boys." Anderson told the Negroes to "do the City National Bank like Carter did the Negro boy." He said ~~neither Carter nor any other Klan member will run him out of Selma.~~

The Negroes then broke into a chant:
"Two four six eight, we want to integrate."

Reverend M. C. Cleveland terminated the meeting at 11:00 p.m., and advised that the next meeting would be at the First Baptist Church and the speaker would be Emory O. Jackson, Editor of the Birmingham Negro World.

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FROM SAC, MOBILE /157-367/

○ RACIAL SITUATION, STATE OF ALABAMA, SELMA, ALA. RM.

RE BUCALL FROM SUPERVISOR [REDACTED] THIS DATE.

MOBILE HAS HAD IN EFFECT THE FOLLOWING PROCEEDURES AT SELMA, ALA. SINCE SEPTEMBER SIXTEEN, NINETEEN SIXTYTHREE. WHEN DIRECT ACTION DEMONSTRATIONS BY NEGROES BEGAN.

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A SCHEDULE OF PHYSICAL SPOT CHECKS OF AREA BY AGENTS AROUND MEETING PLACES OF NEGROES BY AGENTS BEING INSTITUTED ESPECIALLY TO AFFORD FURTHER COVERAGE DURING LATE EVENING AND EARLY MORNING HOURS AND ON SUNDAYS.

ALL INFORMANTS IN RACIAL HATE GROUPS IN SELMA AREA HAVE BEEN ALERTED SINCE NINE SIXTEEN FOR INFORMATION CONCERNING WHITE AGITATION. AT PRESENT THERE HAS BEEN A COMPLETE ABSENCE OF SUCH

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IDENTIFICATION OF INDIVIDUALS IN AREAS OF MEETING PLACES TO DATE HAS FAILED TO INDICATE ANY SPECIAL INTEREST IN AREAS OR OCCURENCES BY OUTSIDE WHITE GROUPS.

CHURCHES WHERE NEGROES HAVE BEEN MEETING ARE LOCATED WITHIN FIVE BLOCKS OF CENTER OF SELMA AND IN CLOSE PROXIMITY TO POLICE HEADQUARTERS.

THIS MATTER BEING FOLLOWED CLOSELY AND BUREAU WILL BE KEPT ADVISED OF ANY AND ALL PERTINENT DEVELOPMENTS.

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[REDACTED] pointed out that the City Council meets on September 23, 1963 and the request to parade by Negroes would be ruled on at that time. [REDACTED] stated he did not expect the Council to issue a permit to parade and there would probably be more picketing or sit-in demonstrations in Selma on the afternoon of September 23, 1963.

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Re ⁴⁴⁻²³³²⁸ airtel to Mobile 9/19/63 captioned UNKNOWN
SUBJECTS; (FNU) [REDACTED] VICTIM, CR.

Referenced airtel requests investigation of various incidents which occurred in Selma, Ala., based on information furnished to the U. S. Department of Justice by telephone call from [REDACTED] and a telegram sent to the Attorney General by [REDACTED]

The Bureau's attention is called to Mofile 44-1019 captioned UNSUB, County Police, Selma, Alabama; [REDACTED] VICTIM, CR. The Bureau was informed by teletype 9/17/63 that Mobile was instituting preliminary investigation relative to [REDACTED] allegations of brutality at the County Jail, Selma. This preliminary investigation has been completed, title changed to [REDACTED] Dallas County Jail, Selma, Ala. [REDACTED]

VICTIM, CR, and report is due at the Bureau 9/24/63.

In reference to allegation made by [REDACTED] by telegram to the Attorney General, it is pointed out that two incidents of violence occurred the morning of 9/16/63 during sit-in demonstrations at Carter's

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Drugstore, Selma, which incidents are reported in Mofile 157-367 captioned RACIAL SITUATION, STATE OF ALABAMA, SELMA ALABAMA, RM. On page three of letterhead memo dated 9/17/63 paragraph five contains information relative to the two incidents where Negroes were struck by unidentified citizens at the drugstore. On 9/17/63 when victim [redacted] was contacted for interview at [redacted] in this area, regarding Mofile 44-1019, one Negro male, who was struck on head during sit-in at Carter's Drugstore, alleged he was struck by a member of the Dallas County Sheriff's Posse. A limited investigation was conducted and report is in dictation, which is due momentarily at the Bureau, captioned UNSUB; ALLEGED POSSE MEMBER OF DALLAS COUNTY, ALABAMA SHERIFF'S POSSE: [redacted] - VICTIM, CR, Mofile 44-1025. This investigation established information from two eyewitnesses, one a Negro male, that [redacted] and a Negro female whose identity is not known, were struck by citizens at Carter's Drugstore. [redacted] was struck by [redacted] who is a member of the Sheriff's Posse; however, he was not on duty at the time as a posse member and was not in uniform when he struck [redacted]. As noted, it is also reported on page three, paragraph four and five and the top of page four of letterhead memorandum 9/17/63 that a Police Department car was parked on the street outside Carter's Drugs when the Negro was struck inside the store.

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In letterhead memorandum dated 9/19/63, pages 10 through 12, it is reported [redacted]

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On 9/20/63 [redacted] advised SA [redacted] at Selma, Ala., that he knew of no other incidents of violence involving Negroes, with the exception of that which occurred at Carter's Drugstore and

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the one incident involving [REDACTED]
on the night of 9/16/63; both incidents have been reported.

He stated in reference to allegations of mistreatment of Negroes, that several have complained that they have not received the proper food, were not allowed visitors at the county jail, and their cases have not been handled as expeditiously as he would have desired. He stated, "You know, we have to keep sending in propaganda to appropriate authorities in order to keep the Federal Government interested in our cause."

In view of the information above, Mobile is not conducting any further investigation at this time based on Bureau airtel dated 9/19/63; however, through contact with [REDACTED] who was in Selma on 9/17/63, attempts will be made to establish what mistreatment is complained of in reference to the arrest of the pickets. If the identity of the picket who was mistreated is established, he will be interviewed concerning the allegation of mistreatment.

If the Bureau desires further investigation in reference to the incidents, advise Mobile.

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Dept. Atty. General
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U R G E N T 9/27/63 10-52 PM CST CCM

TO DIRECTOR, FBI /157-6-61/
FROM SAC, MOBILE /157-367/

RACIAL SITUATION, STATE OF ALABAMA, SELMA, ALA., RM.
REMOBELS TODAY.

NEGRO RALLY HELD AT BROWN-S CHAPEL AME CHURCH TONIGHT
BEGINING SEVEN THIRTY PM CST AND TERMINATING TEN TWELVE PM CST.
ATTENDANCE ESTIMATED AT ONE HUNDRED TO ONE HUNDRED FIFTY NEGROES,
FIFTY PER CENT TEENAGERS. NO INCIDENTS OCCURED AND CROWD
DISPERSED IMMEDIATELY AFTER MEETING.

COVERAGE OF MEETING HANDLED BY SELMA PD WITH EIGHT OFFICERS
IN FOUR PATROLING CARS.
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TO DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM SAC, MOBILE 157-367 1-P

ORACIAL SITUATION, STATE OF ALA., SELMA, ALA. RM.
RE MOBILE TEL TODAY.

FIVE PICKETS ARRESTED WHILE PICKETING IN FRONT OF
DALLAS COUNTY COURTHOUSE TODAY AT APPROXIMATELY FOUR P. M.
C. S. T. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

BUREAU AGENTS OBSERVED ARREST. NO INCIDENTS. 157-6-61-343

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same date re further
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URGENT 9-30-63 9-54 AM HRT
TO DIRECTOR, FBI 157-6-61
FROM SAC, MOBILE 157-367 1-P

RACIAL SITUATION, STATE OF ALABAMA, SELMA, ALA., RM.

NO ACTIVITY OCCURRED AT SELMA, ALA. DURING WEEKEND OF
SEPT. TWENTYEIGHT THROUGH THIRTY, SIXTYTHREE, WITH EXCEPTION
OF FOUR NEGRO WOMEN WHO WERE ADMITTED TO SERVICES SUNDAY MORNING
AT ALL WHITE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH. APPROXIMATELY FIVE
YOUTHS AND FOUR ADULTS LEFT CHURCH AFTER NEGROES SEATED
IN BALCONY. NO INCIDENTS AND NEGROES REMAINED FOR ENTIRE
SERVICE.

DALLAS COUNTY COURT SCHEDULED TO CONVENE TODAY. LIAISON
BEING MAINTAINED TO DETERMINE DISPOSITIONS OF CASES BEING
HANDLED.

END ACK

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-6-61)
FROM: SAC, MOBILE (157-367)(P)
RE: RACIAL SITUATION
STATE OF ALABAMA
SELMA, ALABAMA

Transmitted herewith are eight copies of a letter-head memoranda which pertains to information obtained from [redacted] at Selma, Ala., and the [redacted] in Selma concerning racial demonstrations and arrests.

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Local authorities are cognizant of the information contained in the memoranda and military authorities have been advised.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Mobile, Alabama
September 23, 1963

RACIAL SITUATION
STATE OF ALABAMA
SELMA, ALABAMA

On September 20, 1963 [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] advised through continuing contacts throughout the day that a Negro youth rally was being held at Brown's Chapel A.M.E. Church which started at approximately 7:00 a.m., Central Standard Time, was attended by some 200 Negro youths, and the meeting was terminated at 4:30 p.m.

No demonstrations of any consequence occurred in Selma as Circuit Judge James A. Hare has stated he would issue an injunction against Negro demonstrations if same continued and if he received a petition from Circuit Solicitor Blanchard McLeod of the Fourth Judicial Circuit to issue this injunction.

[REDACTED]

This regarded a reported beating of a Negro male and the other incident was a reported beating of a Negro male, [REDACTED] at the County Jail on the night of September 16, 1963.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] stated that these are the only two incidents that have been reported or that he knows of which concerns violence connected with the racial demonstra-

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tions at Selma, Alabama.

On September 20, 1963

[REDACTED] advised that [REDACTED] demonstrations which took place on the afternoon of September 16, 1963 when sixty or more Negroes were arrested for parading without a permit. [REDACTED] demonstrations on September 17, 18, 19 and 20, 1963 when pickets were arrested by the Sheriff's Office and the Police Department Officers in the downtown area of Selma. He advised that [REDACTED] at Selma, Alabama, on the morning of September 16, 1963 when sit-in demonstrations occurred at the drugstores; however, he understood violence had occurred at Carter's Drugstore wherein [REDACTED] was struck on the head with a stick and a Negro female, whose name he does not know, was also "roughed up" and struck [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] He stated that he heard there were several things happening to Negroes who were arrested such as being given poor food, not being allowed visitors, and their cases were not being handled as expeditiously as he thought that they should be. The two incidents that he has reported to the FBI in Selma involving [REDACTED] are the only two incidents that he knows of wherein violence has occurred. He stated that he had reported to [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] that violence was erupting in Selma, Alabama, and that he had heard that Negroes were being "mistreated" and he knows that this information is furnished directly to Washington, D.C. He pointed out that "you know we have to keep propoganda going into Washington in order to keep the Federal government interested in our cause" [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] did not plan any activity in Selma on September 21, 1963 with the exception of placing one or two pickets at Carter's Drugstore on Broad Street, Selma, and having two churches open for Negroes to congregate

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SELMA, ALABAMA

and hold rallies. He stated that too many rural whites and Negroes would be Selma on Saturday, September 21, 1963, and if demonstrations of any great extent took place he felt that violent activities could occur [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] has contacted military authorities at Craig Air Force Base on two occasions. One time to attempt to persuade the Commanding Officer to put Selma off limits and one other time to seek legal advise for a Negro female who was in jail and who is a military dependent. He advised that no violence occurred to this Negro female, that she has been treated well in jail, and there was nothing that the Federal government had any jurisdiction over [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] contacted military authorities at Craig Air Force Base for the purpose of only obtaining legal advise. He stated he felt that the movement in Selma was gaining momentum and more demonstrations would occur next week at Selma; however [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] intends to "apply pressure" where it is needed in order to bring about the proper response from white citizens in Selma to the demands of the Negroes.

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] SELMA, ALA.
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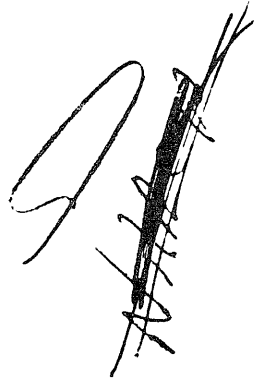
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GENERAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION

The Civil Rights Division of the Department has been informed of the attached information and it will be furnished in writing to Assistant Attorney General Burke Marshall.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be 'S. Marshall', is written over the bottom right portion of the typed text.