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100-392452- NR dated 4/5/60
Memorandum

TO: SAC, New York

FROM: Director, FBI (File No. 392452-126)

SUBJECT: Stanley David Benson

(all information contained herein is subject to disclosure)

DATE 7/23/60

FILE 62

□ 1. Bufiles reflect this case is delinquent. Give specific reason for delinquency.

□ 2. Date □ letter □ report □ will be submitted 2/16/61 (7/16/60)

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REPORTING OFFICE: NEW YORK
OFFICE OF ORIGIN: NEW YORK

DATE: 1/27/61
INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD: 2/26/50 - 1/18/61

STANLEY DAVID LEVISON

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Office: New York, New York
Bureau File No.: 100-392452

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DETAILS

I. BACKGROUND

Residence

subject presently resides at 225 West 105th Street, New York, New York.

Employment

Subject is an attorney maintaining office space in Room 601, 6 East 39th Street, New York, New York.
II. AFFILIATION WITH THE COMMUNIST MOVEMENT

The CP, USA has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

III. INTERVIEW

Concerning ALFRED K. STERN mentioned below, it is noted that in September, 1957, STERN was indicted by a Federal Grand Jury, Southern District of New York, on charges of conspiracy to violate the espionage laws of the United States.
On February 26, 1960, STANLEY DAVID LEVISON advised Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) that, on several occasions probably during the late forties, he had met with ALFRED K. STERN. LEVISON stated that at one time he (LEVISON) was active in an organization known as "Businessmen For Roosevelt" (BFR) and that he went to STERN's office in Rockefeller Center in an attempt to sell him mailing lists which the BFR had acquired. LEVISON stated that he thought STERN would use those lists in the "Wallace For President" campaign that STERN was promoting.

LEVISON stated that STERN did not buy the lists as he considered them worthless since they were several years old.

LEVISON remarked that STERN impressed him as a "rube" who seemed obsessed with the fact that he was a millionaire and that just being a millionaire made him an important person. LEVISON remarked that if STERN was a millionaire he just barely made it and was the "cheapest" millionaire he ever met.

LEVISON commented further by stating he did not know any acquaintances or associates of STERN; that he had no indication STERN might have been involved in espionage or with Soviet officials. LEVISON remarked that at STERN's office he had met MARTHA DODD STERN and she impressed him as being a "typical snob."

LEVISON stated he had no information as to whether STERN had been associated with the Communist Party (CP) or for that matter if he ever contributed to the CP. LEVISON remarked, "he'd be too cheap to contribute." LEVISON continued, "STERN bragged about the contributions he made to various charitable organizations, but from what he showed me, his contributions were nominal." LEVISON stated that STERN was always trying to impress people with the fact that he was an important man. He was a great "name-dropper." He claimed to know all the "big shots." HENRY WALLACE was

Interview with STANLEY DAVID LEVISON File # 100-111180
on 2/25/60 of New York, New York Date dictated 3/3/60
by Special Agent [redacted]

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supposed to have a farm adjoining his property. MARSHALL FIELD was interested in a psychiatric institution in Chicago that STERN supposedly sponsored.

LEVISON stated that he wouldn't know how to classify STERN as far as his political thinking went.

LEVISON stated that he didn't know much about the CP other than the fact that those who apparently were in it, now seemed thoroughly confused. LEVISON stated that he knew some people who probably could be called liberals, progressives or Communists, but that he would not name them because he believed a person should have "freedom of political thought." LEVISON continued by stating that you really can't classify those people today because there are Communists, anti-Communists, Communists who are anti-Communists, people who are left, people who are right, and people in between.
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
New York, New York
January 27, 1961

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Assistant Attorney General
Burke Marshall
Director, FBI

STANLEY DAVID LEVISON
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Reference is made to your letter dated June 9, 1961, captioned "Stanley Levison, New York City, New York." u

Reports concerning Stanley David Levison, who appears to be identical with the subject of your inquiry, have been previously furnished the Records Administration Office of the Department. u

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# Memorandum

**TO:** Director, FBI (File: 100-392452)  
**DATE:** 10/25/61

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Key Facility Data

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Residence Address: 585 West End Avenue
New York 21, New York

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I. BACKGROUND

Residence and Employment

A pretext phone call to subject's wife on January 3, 1962, determined that subject presently resides at 585 West End Avenue, New York, New York. In addition, it was determined that LEVISON, as an attorney, maintains an office at 6 East 39th Street, New York City.

II. AFFILIATION WITH THE COMMUNIST MOVEMENT
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
New York, New York
January 10, 1961

Title Stanley David Levison

Character Security Matter – C

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-392452)
FROM: SAC, NY (100-111180)

SUBJECT: STANLEY DAVID LEIVISON
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(CC: NY)

Rediair 1/31/62.

The NYO makes the following observations:

1. LEIVISON is an Associate Director of the Southern Leadership Conference. KING as head of this organization has been closely associated in the past with LEIVISON.

2. LEIVISON's association with the CPUSA is known to but a few individuals within Party circles.
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100-392452-NA dated 12/16/92 page 2.
Deputy Attorney General White called and referred to the Director's memorandum to the Attorney General of January 8, 1962. In this memorandum the Attorney General was informed that Levison, a New York attorney and businessman, who is a secret member of the Communist Party, is allegedly a close adviser to the Reverend Martin Luther King, prominent southern Negro leader.

White asked that I meet with him so that the matter concerning Levison could be discussed. It is White's feeling that definitely some action should be taken.

Inasmuch as Levison is a secret member of the Communist Party and his relationship with King is known to the Domestic Intelligence Division will review our file for the purpose of determining if there is any information of a non-classified nature which might be utilized by the Department. As soon as this file review has been made, White will be contacted in line with his request and a determination made as to what action the Department has in mind with regard to this New York attorney, businessman and secret member of the Communist Party.

1 - Mr. Sullivan
1 - Mr. Rosen
Memorandum

TO: Mr. W. C. Sullivan
FROM: Mr. J. F. Bland

SUBJECT: STANLEY DAVID LEVISON

DATE: Feb. 16, 1962

The Attorney General (AG) by letter dated 1/8/62 was advised that Rev. Martin Luther King and Levison, had access to the Attorney General. The Attorney General (AG) was also advised that Levison reported to a person of the Communist Party (CP), that a close adviser of the Reverend Martin Luther King, had access to the Attorney General.

The Attorney General (AG) was also advised that Levison was reported to have been close to the United States Department of Labor. In view of the circumstances, Mr. Bland has requested that the Attorney General (AG) consider the matter so it is under your consideration and action.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Mr. J. F. Bland

[Redacted]
Memorandum for Mr. Sullivan
RE: STANLEY DAVID LEVISON
100-392452

AG and to the White House and of the possible communist influence on King. This has been accomplished. (G) U

RECOMMENDATION:

That this memorandum be forwarded to Assistant Director Evans for his guidance in discussing this matter with DAG White.

King is no good any way. Under no circum-
stances should our in-
formation be endorsed.

Memo Ever. J. Smith
2/1/62 - CFE MAW
Deputy Attorney General White was contacted with reference to the Bureau's letter of January 8, 1962. In this letter the Department was informed that Levison, a secret member of the Communist Party, is allegedly a close adviser to the Reverend Martin Luther King. Levison, a New York attorney and businessman, Levison is also said to have access to the White House and to the Attorney General through his association with King.

In discussing this matter with Mr. White, it was pointed out that under no circumstances should any action be taken which would endanger the position of our informant. White said he fully appreciated this. He stated he had contacted Assistant Attorney General Marshall of the Civil Rights Division about this relationship between Levison and King and was told by Marshall that sometime ago King had been alerted to the past history of Levison. Deputy Attorney General White said his only concern at this time was whether he should alert anyone at the White House in view of the allegation Levison might have access to the White House.

When it was pointed out to White that the only information reported was that such access would be through Levison's association with King, White concluded that he may have read the Director's memorandum too rapidly as he had the impression Levison might have some direct contact with the White House. White said from the character of some of the people over at the White House he would not have been surprised if it were reported that Levison actually did have such a contact. The matter having been clarified for him, White said he did not propose to take any further action but was appreciative of this matter having been brought to his attention.
HONORABLE P. KENNETH O'DONNELL
SPECIAL ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT
THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON, D.C.

My dear Mr. O'Donnell:

I thought you would be interested in the following concerning the Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr., prominent southern Negro leader.
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On January 8, 1962, I advised you of the close association of Stanley David Levison, a secret member of the Communist Party (CP), and King.

1 - The Deputy Attorney General

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-392452)
FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-111180)
SUBJECT: STANLEY DAVID LEVISON SM - C

ReNyteld dated 2/12/62, captioned "DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, Jr., SM-C".

In addition to his association with KING, LEVISON has a wide circle of acquaintances in political life and with leading figures in the American Jewish Congress.
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File Number: 100-392452-145

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Memorandum

TO: Mr. W. C. Sullivan
FROM: Mr. J. F. Bland
SUBJECT: STANLEY DAVID LEVISON SECURITY MATTER - C

DATE: March 6, 1962

New York has requested authority to install a technical surveillance in subject's office, 6 East 39th Street, New York City, telephones NU 4-2932, NU 4-2933 and NU 4-2934.

A survey conducted on Bureau authority disclosed installation can be made with complete security. Installation of microphone surveillance in Levison's office was authorized by airtel March 2, 1962.

OBSERVATIONS:

Enclosure 3-6-62

100-392452

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Memorandum to Mr. Sullivan
Re: STANLEY DAVID LEVISON
100-392452

ACTION:

Attached for approval is a memorandum to the
Attorney General requesting authority to install a technical
surveillance on Levison's office, 6 East 39th Street,
New York City.
Date of Mail 3-16-62

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Subject JUNE MAIL

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File Number 100-392452-146

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-392452)

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-111180) JUNE

SUBJECT: STANLEY DAVID LEVISON
SM-C
(00: NY)

Re Buairtel 3/2/62, granting authority to install misur in subject's office, 6 E. 39th St., NYC.

CONF.LT. Misur installed 10:10 AM, 3/16/62, symbol number, [blacked out], Full security assured.

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Special Agent in Charge
Date of Mail 3-20-62.

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Date: 3/20/62

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FROM:

SAC, NEW YORK (100-111180)

JUNE

SUBJECT:

STANLEY DAVID LEVISON

SM-C

(00: NY)

Reurenairtel 3/13/62, authorizing installation of treasurer on subject's office, Room 601, 6 East 39th St., NYC, telephones Murray Hill 4-2932, 2933 and 2934.

Treasurer installed 2:45 PM, 3/20/62, assigned symbol number __________.

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Full security assured.

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Approved: 

Sent: M Per
TO:  Mr. W. C. Sullivan
FROM:  Mr. F. J. Baumgardner
DATE:  March 30, 1962
SUBJECT:  STANLEY DAVID LEVISON
          SECURITY MATTER - C
          MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
          SECURITY MATTER - C

Confidential Informant advised that at approximately 3:30 p.m. today Stanley Levison received a telephone call in his office in New York from Wyatt T. Walker, not further identified, who was calling from Washington, D. C. Walker said he had talked this morning to Martin Luther King, Jr., prominent southern Negro leader. King wanted an opinion from Levison and also from Walker as to what should be King's strategy in putting Judge William Henry Hastie (Judge of the Third Circuit Court of Appeals, a Negro) for the Supreme Court. Levison said he was thinking of calling King as he felt King should do something about it.

Walker said King is debating whether to do this publicly, thus putting him (presumably President Kennedy) on the spot, or to do it through channels, through protocol.

Levison said he thinks this should be done publicly. He said the Negroes would expect a leader to step forth at a time like this and declare what Negro should be put on the Supreme Court. Levison said if King still feels cautious about it he might call Hastie and get his opinion.

Levison said, "My tendency is for King to issue a statement on it and speak of this as a superb opportunity coming at a critical juncture in our history." Walker concurred with this view and agreed with Levison on this approach.

Walker then said we haven't put any pressure on the President himself; it has been mostly his brother in the Department of Justice. Walker said by being nice we haven't gained anything. We have to get more insistent with the President. Walker said King was concerned with the paradox of his asking for a Negro to be put
Memorandum to Mr. Sullivan
RE: STANLEY DAVID LEVISON;
     MARTIN LUTHER KING

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on the Supreme Court. Levison said he didn't think this was any problem.

Our files show that Walker is a Negro minister and an assistant to Martin Luther King.

ACTION:

If the Director desires, we will advise the Attorney General and we are preparing a carefully paraphrased memorandum for his consideration. Even though White's appointment has been announced.

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On March 19, 1962, I advised you that Judge William Henry Hastie, United States Circuit Court of Appeals, Third Circuit, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, had been connected with ten organizations which have been designated pursuant to Executive Order 10450 or cited as communist fronts by either the House Committee on Un-American Activities or the California Committee on Un-American Activities.

A confidential source who has furnished reliable information in the past advised me on March 30, 1962, that during the afternoon of March 30, 1962, Levison received a telephone call from one of King's assistants concerning Judge Hastie. According to the source, King wanted Levison's opinion as to the strategy he, King, should use in attempting to influence the President to appoint Judge Hastie to the Supreme Court. Levison said that King should publicly advocate the appointment of Judge Hastie since the Negroes would expect a Negro leader to step forth and state which Negro should be appointed to the Supreme Court.
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-136585) (100-111180)
SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING
STANLEY LEVINSON
SM - C

Re: my call this date.

advised at 3:30 p.m. this date that
WYATT TEE WALKER telephoned LEVINSON at LEVINSON's office in
NYC. WALKER, who said he was in WASHINGTON, D.C., stated
that he had received a telephone call from Dr. MARTIN LUTHER
KING this a.m. with respect to Justice WHITTAKER (CHARLES
EVANS WHITTAKER, Supreme Court Justice) resigning.

KING wanted to get an opinion from LEVINSON and
WALKER as to what might be KING's strategy in pushing HASTIE
(Judge WILLIAM HENRY HASTIE of the Third Circuit Court of
Appeals). LEVINSON stated he was thinking of calling
KING in this regard as he thinks something should be done.

WALKER stated that KING is debating whether to do
it publicly, put him (possibly President JOHN F. KENNEDY)
right on the spot, or to do it through channels, through
protocol.

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2- Atlanta (100- ) (MARTIN LUTHER KING) (RM)
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LEVINSON stated that he thought that it should be done publicly. Negroes would expect a leader to step forth at a time like this and declare what Negro should be put on the Supreme Court. LEVINSON stated that if KING still feels cautious about it, he could call HASTIE who would give him a judgment on this.

LEVINSON stated "my tendency is for MARTIN (LUTHER KING) to issue a statement on it and speak of it as a superb opportunity coming at a critical juncture in history."

WALKER concurred with LEVINSON and stated "we haven't put any pressure on the President (JOHN F. KENNEDY) himself, it has been mostly on his brother, in the Department of Justice - by being nice we haven't gotten anything." WALKER stated that "we" have to get more insistent with the President.

LEVINSON felt that there should not be any real problem as it is not a real strong demand. He stated that it is so obvious that HASTIE is more qualified than the other candidates mentioned in the paper today for the vacancy on the Supreme Court.

WALKER stated that KING was concerned with the paradox of asking for a Negro to be appointed to the Supreme Court, but LEVINSON did not feel that this would be any problem.

WALKER said that he would be returning KING's call and would advise him of LEVINSON's opinion with respect to the above information.
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To: SACs, Atlanta (100-5586)
    New York (100-136585)

From: Director, FBI (100-106670)


Atlanta is requested to advise if King made a public
statement endorsing Judge William Henry Hastie for appointment
to Supreme Court as recommended by Levison. Limit investi-
gation to review of appropriate news periodicals and contacts
with sources of information known to be most discreet.

New York should promptly furnish to the Bureau
any information concerning this matter coming to its attention.

1 - Bufile 100-392452 (Levison)

NOTE ON YELLOW:

Subject's name not in Security Index. He is prominent
southern Negro leader. Advised 3-30-62 that Levison
received telephone call from one of King's subordinates requesting
his advice concerning strategy that he should use in pushing
Hastie for Supreme Court. Levison advised that King should
issue a public statement. Attorney General advised by letter
4-2p62 and same information contained in memorandum Baumgardner
to Sullivan 3-30-62.

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FROM SAC, NEW YORK /100-111180/

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REBYTEL FOUR TWENTY SIX LAST.

ADVISED ON FOUR TWENTY SEVEN INSTANT THAT LEVISON INDICATED ON THAT DATE, THAT HIS APPEARANCE IN WASHINGTON WAS POSTPONED FROM FOUR TWENTY SEVEN INSTANT TO MONDAY 1962
/FOUR THIRTY NEXT/ 38
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TO DIRECTOR 5 /100-392452/
FROM SAC, NEW YORK /100-111180/ 2P
STANLEY LEVISON
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/100, NEW YORK/

UNAUTHORIZED INSTANT DATE THAT
DEPUTY UNITED STATES MARSHAL HARRY CARITO CONTACTED STANLEY LEVISON
AND IDENTIFIED HIMSELF AS ONE WHO SERVED LEVISON WITH SUBPOENA ON FOUR
TWENTY FOUR LAST TO APPEAR IN WASHINGTON, FOUR TWENTY SEVEN NEXT. CARITO
STATED HE HAS NEW SUBPOENA FOR LEVISON'S APPEARANCE ON FOUR THIRTY
NEXT, INSTEAD OF FORMER DATE.

INFORMANT ADVISED THAT SUBSEQUENTLY LEVISON CONTACTED HIS ATTORNEY,
WILLIAM KUNSTLER AND IT WAS AGREED THAT THEY SHOULD PUSH FOR AN APPEAR-
ANCE ON FOUR TWENTY SEVEN OR SEEK AN ADJOURNMENT FOR TWO WEEKS OR MORE
AS KUNSTLER WILL BE UNAVAILABLE TO APPEAR WITH LEVISON DURING THAT
INTERVAL. BOTH AGREED THEY DESIRE TO GET IT OVER WITH. KUNSTLER SUG-
GESTED THAT IF LEVISON MAKES HIMSELF UNAVAILABLE FOR SERVICE OF THE
SECOND

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SUBPOENA QUOTE THEY UNQUOTE WILL HAVE TO GO TO WASHINGTON ON FOUR TWENTY SEVEN, IN THE ABSENCE OF A TELEGRAM FROM THE QUOTE COMMITTEE UNQUOTE ADJOURNING THE APPEARANCE. LEVISON AGREES STATING HE WOULD PREFER TO APPEAR ON FOUR TWENTY SEVEN. KUNSTLER STATED HE IS MIMEOGRAPHING A STATEMENT FOR LEVISON WHICH WILL BE A TERSE ASSERTION BASED ON THE FIFTH AMENDMENT AND THE BILL OF RIGHTS. KUNSTLER AGREED TO CONTACT LEVISON AS SOON AS HE OBTAINED ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FROM THE QUOTE COMMITTEE UNQUOTE REGARDING THE ADJOURNMENT. THE INFORMANT ADVISED THAT AT APPROXIMATELY TWO FIFTEEN PM, INSTANT DATE, KUNSTLER'S SECRETARY ATTEMPTED TO REACH LEVISON AT HIS OFFICE, BUT WAS INFORMED LEVISON HAD GONE FOR THE DAY. THE LATTER INDICATES THAT LEVISON WILL POSSIBLY AVOID SERVICE OF SUBPOENA FOR APPEARANCE ON FOUR THIRTY IN ORDER TO APPEAR FOUR TWENTY SEVEN OR IN TWO WEEKS.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-392451)

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-111203)

SUBJECT: ROY BENNETT
SN-C
(00: NY)

advised on 4/25/62, that ROY BENNETT called the National Office of Americans for Democratic Action (ADA) in Washington, D.C. on that date. From the text of the conversation it would appear that BENNETT now holds a position as a national officer of ADA either as Treasurer or Secretary.

WFO is requested to determine BENNETT's current position in ADA, through established sources.

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LEADS

WFO, AT WASHINGTON, DC

If no reason to the contrary, contact [REDACTED] for information regarding any demonstrations to be held in Washington, DC on May 17, 1962.

All offices be alert for any demonstrations to take place in Washington, DC in the near future.

Atlanta will follow this matter and advise Bureau and interested offices of any additional information received.
Adviser has heard rumors there would be a demonstration in Washington, DC, on May 17, 1962, to commemorate the Supreme Court school decision of 1954. He stated that in addition to commemorating this decision, there would also be a protest concerning racial segregation along other lines, such as employment.

said that he knew of no plans by the Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee in connection with this demonstration but he believes that if it does take place, it will be handled mainly by the Non-Violent Action Group (NAG) which has members mainly on the campus of Howard University, Washington, DC. He said the office is located at 1332 Belmont Street, NW, Washington, DC and the chairman of NAG is William Mahoney of Howard University.

Also stated he has heard of another demonstration allegedly to take place sometime in May 1962 in Washington, DC. He said this is a peace demonstration, but is also to be interracial in nature. He said that he knows of no plans for SNCC to take part in this demonstration and believes it is being handled mainly by the Committee on Non-Violent Action (CNVA) located at 158 Grand Street, New York 13, New York. He stated the national chairman of this group is A. J. Muste, who is a longtime, well known pacifist. said that another group allegedly to be involved in this peace demonstration is the Student Peace Union, with headquarters in Chicago, Illinois.

Added that the demonstration is to be a "three-pronged" walk on Washington, DC. He stated the demonstrators are to start from three different points on foot, one group to walk from Nashville, Tennessee to Washington, DC and this will be an interracial group; the second group from somewhere in New England to Washington, DC on foot and the third group from Chicago to Washington, DC on foot. He did not know the date these walks are to start and he does not know the dates they are scheduled to arrive in Washington, DC.

This memorandum is loaned to you by the FBI, and neither it nor its contents are to be distributed outside the agency to which loaned.

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PLAIN TEXT

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-106670)
FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-136585)
SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING
       SN-C
       (00: NY)

Enclosed herewith are eight copies of a letterhead memorandum reflecting a conversation between STANLEY LEVISON and an unidentified male on 4/16 and 17/62.

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A confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on April 16, 1962, that Stanley Levison discussed plans for an organization to be formed on behalf of Martin Luther King.

According to Levison, this organization, which he referred to as the Ghandi Society for Human Rights, will hold a luncheon in Washington, D.C. on May 17, 1962. This luncheon will be attended by approximately twenty people who will be invited because of their prominence in various fields of industry and government.

Among those being considered, according to Levison, are President John F. Kennedy; Attorney General Robert Kennedy; Senator Clifford Case, New Jersey; Senator Eugene McCarthy, Minnesota, and former Attorney General William F. Rogers.

A second confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on April 17, 1962, that this luncheon may possibly be held at the Sheraton Park Hotel in Washington, D.C.

Martin Luther King is President of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference.
Mr. W. C. Sullivan
Mr. J. F. Bland

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
SECURITY MATTER - C

April 13, 1962

Mr. Belmont
Mr. Evans
Mr. Sullivan
Mr. Baumgardner
Mr. Bland
Mr. Rask
Mr. Kitchens

In reporting on conversations between King and Stanley David Levison, secret Communist Party member and Security Index subject, on 4-10-62 stated that Levison informed King that he wanted to determine a date for Harry Wachtel (phonetic) to visit King in Atlanta. Date of 4-23-62 was agreed to as date for visit and Levison stated Wachtel could be of great assistance in fund raising. The Director asked "Who is he?" referring to Wachtel.

New York has been instructed to attempt to identify the Harry Wachtel mentioned by Levison and to furnish the Bureau any subversive information contained in its files.

ACTION:

Attached are letters to Attorney General and Vice-President concerning continuing communist influence on King.

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Enclosure

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1. Bufile 100-392452 (Levison)
TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-106670)  
FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-136585)  
SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING

STANLEY LEVISON  
SM-C

advised on 4/18/62 that STANLEY LEVISON plans to leave NYC on either Thursday evening (4/19/62) or Friday morning (4/20/62) and fly to Atlanta, Georgia, where he will confer with MARTIN LUTHER KING.

Atlanta is requested to alert established sources to the fact that LEVISON will be in that area for any information they may be able to furnish regarding his activities while there.

NYO will not conduct a surveillance on LEVISON to determine his exact date of departure in view of the highly sensitive nature of the informants who are furnishing information regarding LEVISON.

Atlanta is also requested not to conduct any surveillance on LEVISON while he is in that area for similar reasons, UACB.
FBI

Date: 4/13/62

Transmit the following

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-75)
FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-80640)
SUBJECT: CPUSA NEGRO QUESTION IS-C (CO: NY)

advised on 4/10/62, that STANLEY LEVISON in conversation with HUNTER PITTS O'DELL discussed a "March on Washington." Informant stated that no date for this march was mentioned; however, LEVISON stated that it should be "a midnight prayer service at Lincoln Memorial."

LEVISON stated that this type of mass meeting should attract two to three thousand people and would be of "news quality."

Atlanta and Washington Field are requested to attempt to ascertain, through their established sources, the date of the march referred to above and the name of the organization under which it will be sponsored.

Any further information in this respect furnished by NY sources will be forwarded to the Bureau.

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   (1 - 100- ) (HUNTER PITTS O'DELL)
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   (1 - 100- ) (MARTIN LUTHER KING)
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3 - Washington Field (RM)
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... has advised in March 1962 that O'DELL has been closely associated with MARTIN LUTHER KING during that period.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-106670)
FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-136585)
SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING

KHEEL (NY Transit Labor Arbitrator) contacted STANLEY LEVISON and CLARENCE JONES (believed to be an assistant of MARTIN LUTHER KING).

KHEEL read a forthcoming article by VICTOR REISEL, entitled "MARTIN LUTHER KING To Launch New Movement Among The Nations 18 Million Negroes."

KHEEL read the article to LEVISON and JONES and requested their reaction.

LEVISON and JONES stated that the first sentence was "impossible" but that the remainder of the article was very good, needing only a word changed here and there. LEVISON and JONES, after some discussion, suggested that the first sentence be changed from "MARTIN LUTHER KING To Launch----" to read as follows:

"NEW Movement Based on MARTIN LUTHER KING Philosophy to Effect 18 Million Negroes in Black and White Communities Across the Land." (REISEL)

LEVISON stated this has been changed to eliminate the picture of MARTIN LUTHER KING launching the society. All agreed with LEVISON. JONES added, "you (KHEEL) may have trouble on getting VICTOR REISEL to change --", but no one commented further on that remark.
Honorable Lyndon B. Johnson
The Vice President
Washington 25, D. C.

My dear Mr. Vice President:

A source who has furnished reliable information in the past advised on April 10, 1962, that Martin Luther King, Jr., prominent southern Negro leader, in discussing his recent trip to Washington, D. C., with Stanley David Levison stated that he, King, had visited you and the Attorney General.

I thought you would be interested in knowing that King is a close associate of Levison and Hunter Pitts O'Dell.
Honorable Lyndon B. Johnson

This information has been furnished to the Attorney General.

Sincerely yours.

NOTE ON YELLOW:
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THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

1 - Mr. Belmont 1 - Mr. Bland
1 - Mr. Evans 1 - Mr. Haack
1 - Mr. Sullivan 1 - Mr. Kitchens
1 - Mr. Baumgartner

APRIL 13, 1962

DIRECTOR, FBI

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
SECURITY RATING - C

You will recall that during the past three months I
have furnished you information concerning the influence of
Martin Luther King, Jr., of Stanley David Levison, a secret
member of the Communist Party (CP).

A confidential source that has furnished reliable
information in the past advised on April 11, 1962, that
Stanley David Levison had recently told Hunter Pitts O'Dell
he was writing a speech for Martin Luther King, Jr. According
to Levison, King will deliver the speech at the convention of
the United Packing House Workers of America, American Federation
of Labor-Congress of Industrial Organizations, in May, 1962,
and the effectiveness of the speech may determine the amount
of money the union will give King.

Another source who has furnished reliable information
in the past advised on April 16, 1962, that King had recently
informed Levison that he had had a successful trip to Washington,
D. C., where he raised $3,000 and had visited you and the Vice-
President. King agreed to have one Harry Wachtel visit him at
his Atlanta home during the latter part of this month. According
to Levison, Wachtel could be of great assistance in obtaining
funds for King. Wachtel is possibly identical with Harry H.
Wachtel, a New York City attorney and variety store executive.

In addition, the informant learned that Levison and
King discussed arrangements for a concert to be held in Atlanta
in June to raise funds. According to the source, Harry
Belafonte would be one of the performers at the concert.

This informant also stated that King was extremely
pleased when informed by Levison of the reaction of an
official of the National Association for the Advancement of
Colored People to the trip by King's wife to Geneva since it

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THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

Indicates that Negroes are also interested in issues other than those involving civil rights. In this regard, Mrs. King was one of a group of about fifty women that went to Geneva, Switzerland, on April 1, 1962, to protest against the international arms race and to present a plea for peaceful relations between nations. The group referred to the trip as the Women's International Strike for Peace.

1 - The Deputy Attorney General

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April 20, 1962

BY COURIER SERVICE

1 - Mr. Belmont
1 - Mr. Evans
1 - Mr. Rosen
1 - Mr. Sullivan
1 - Mr. Bland
1 - Mr. Haack
1 - Mr. Kitchens

Honorable F. Lenneth O'Donnell
Special Assistant to the President
The White House
Washington, D.C.

My dear Mr. O'Donnell:

On February 14, 1962, I furnished you information concerning Martin Luther King, Jr. I thought you would be interested in additional information concerning the influence of Stanley David Levison, a secret member of the Communist Party, on King.

A confidential source who has furnished reliable information in the past advised on April 16, 1962, that he had learned that Levison is forming in King’s name an organization to be known as the Chandi Society for Human Rights. Levison contemplates sending invitations signed by King to approximately twenty prominent people to attend a luncheon on May 17, 1962, in Washington, D.C. A public announcement will be made at that time of the formation of the organization. The President and the Attorney General are among those being considered to be invited to the luncheon. Senator Clifford Case, Senator Eugene McCarthy and former Attorney General William P. Rogers may also be invited to the luncheon.

The informant said that he is under the impression that Theodore Kheel, arbitrator for the New York City Transit

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Honorable P. Kenneth O'Donnell

Authority; Harry Belafonte, well-known singer; and A. Philip Randolph, prominent labor leader, are involved in the formation of the organization.

This information is being furnished to the Attorney General.

This information has been classified "Secret" because of the sensitive nature of our sources.

Sincerely yours,

NOTE ON YELLOW:

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The Attorney General

April 20, 1962

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1 - Mr. Belmont
1 - Mr. Evans
1 - Mr. Rosen
1 - Mr. Sullivan
1 - Mr. Bland
1 - Mr. Haack
1 - Mr. Kitchens

This Bureau has recently received additional information showing the influence of Stanley David Levison, a secret member of the Communist Party, upon Martin Luther King, Jr. You will recall that I have furnished you during the past few months substantial information concerning the close relationship between King and Levison.

A confidential source who has furnished reliable information in the past advised on April 16, 1962, that he had learned that Levison is forming in King's name an organization to be known as the Chandi Society for Human Rights. Levison contemplates sending invitations signed by King to approximately twenty prominent people to attend a luncheon on May 17, 1962, in Washington, D.C. A public announcement will be made at that time of the formation of the organization. You, as well as the President, Senator Clifford Case, Senator Eugene McCarthy and former Attorney General William F. Rogers, are among those being considered to be invited to the luncheon.

The informant said that he is under the impression that Theodore Kheel, arbitrator for the New York City Transit Authority; Harry Belafonte, well-known singer; and A. Philip Randolph, prominent labor leader, are involved in the formation of the organization.

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The Attorney General

Another source advised on April 18, 1962, that Levison was to confer with King in Atlanta on either April 19 or 20, 1962.

This information has been classified "Secret" because of the sensitive nature of our sources.

1 - The Deputy Attorney General

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Evelyn P. Condon, O'Donnell

6/14/90

by dear Dr. O'Donnell:

On February 14, 1962, and April 29, 1962, I

Attested, you information concerning the Association of

Dr. David Lowson, Secretary of the Association,

party (C), and Martin E. Shank, Jr., President of the

would be interested in information concerning the above

places of importance to the Association.

Yours,

Send for 11, 12, 13.

[Signatures]

May 4, 1962

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REASON: COM 11, 12, 13.

ON OR BEFORE 6-5-79.

[Stamp]
Honorable P. Kenneth O'Donnell

This information is being furnished to the Attorney General.

This information has been classified "Top Secret" because of the highly sensitive nature of our source.

Sincerely yours,

NOTE ON YELLOW:

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The Attorney General

Director, FBI

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
SECURITY MATTER - C

May 4, 1962

You will recall that I have advised you on numerous occasions during the past several months of the influence that Stanley David Levison, a secret member of the Communist Party (CP), exerts on King. This Bureau has now received information concerning the importance that the CPUSA places on Levison's association with King.

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REASON: PCM
DATE OF REVIEW: 5-9-62
The Attorney General

This communication has been classified "Top Secret" because of the highly sensitive nature of our source.

I - The Deputy Attorney General

NOTE ON YELLOW:

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI {100-106670} (100-392452)
FROM: SAC, ATLANTA (100-5586) (P)
RE: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.; STANLEY LEVISON
SM - C

above.

Re New York airtel to Bureau, 4/18/62, captioned as

Above, who are familiar with some persons and activities of subject KING and his SCLC, were contacted on 4/25/62 and 5/2/62, respectively. They advised LEVISON was unknown to them and had not heard of his contacting KING or being in Atlanta.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-392452)

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-111180)

SUBJECT: STANLEY LEVISON
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(00: NY)

advised on 5/1/62, that STANLEY
LEVISON stated on that date, that he had appeared
before the "Eastland Committee" on the previous day
(4/30/62).

With respect to his testimony before the
committee, LEVISON stated that Senator McCLELLAN remarked
that he (LEVISON) was the worst witness that has appeared
before them.

WPO is requested to furnish NY with all available
information regarding LEVISON'S appearance before the
"Eastland Committee."

Bureau (100-392452)(RM)
2 - WPO (RM)
1 - NY (100-111180)(415)
TO: SAC, Washington Field

From: Director, FBI (100-392452) 53

STANLEY DAVID LEVINSON
SECURITY MATTER - C

Re New York airtel 5-3-62.

Bureau has obtained copy of Levison's testimony on 4-30-62 before Senate Internal Security Subcommittee. Washington Field disregard lead. Copy will be furnished New York separately.

1 - New York (100-111180)

NOTE ON YELLOW:
DATE: 5/8/62

Transmit the following in

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-106670)

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-136585)

SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING

SM - C

(00: ATLANTA)

Re NY teletype to the Bureau, 4/12/62.

Enclosed herewith are seven copies of a letterhead memorandum reflecting results of a telephone conversation on 5/8/62 between STANLEY LEVISON and Mrs. DORA MC DONALD, telephone number 524-1378, in Atlanta, Georgia, who will be referred to in the memorandum as an individual.

LEVISON also spoke with JACK (HUNTER PITTS O'DELL) who will be referred to in the letterhead memorandum as the second individual.

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1 - New York (100-111180) (STANLEY LEVISON) (#415)

1 - New York (100-89596) (CP, USA - STRATEGY IN INDUSTRY) (#415)

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
New York, New York
May 8, 1962

Bureau file
100-106670

Re: Martin Luther King;
Security Matter - C

A confidential source who has furnished reliable
information in the past advised on May 8, 1962, that on
that date Stanley Levison was contacted by an individual
on behalf of Martin Luther King.

The individual stated that Dr. Martin Luther
King had asked her to call Levison and ask him if he had
a chance to work on the speech for the Packing House Workers
(United Packing House Workers of America, AFL - CIO).
Levison replied that the speech was all finished except
that it had to be typed. Levison inquired as to when
King was scheduled to deliver this speech and the individual
replied that it would be on May 17, a week from Monday.
The individual stated that Dr. King would be in New York
City on Thursday, May 17. Levison stated that he would
have the speech ready for him at that time.

A second individual also contacted Levison
on behalf of Martin Luther King on May 8, 1962, and discussed
with Levison the forthcoming "Sclafonte affair", which will
be held in Atlanta, Georgia, in early June.

The second individual told Levison that the
sales for the affair so far have been moving along and
have not been disappointing. Levison instructed the second
individual to do the following things if sales were not
progressing satisfactorily:

This document contains neither
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ENCLOSURE
Re: Martin Luther King

1. Hire someone to devote full time to "pushing" tickets for the affair.

2. Increase advertising.

3. Use the "personal approach" to individuals in an effort to get people to attend the affair in groups of ten.
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May 9, 1962

Director, FBI (100-106670)

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MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. SECURITY MATTER - C


New York is requested to conduct the following investigation:

CONFIDENTIAL
SEE NOTE PAGE 2.

CON-IDENTIAL
Letter to New York
Re: Martin Luther King, Jr.
100-106570

New Orleans is requested to conduct the following investigation:

All investigation conducted in this matter must be handled in a most discreet manner to preclude the possibility of disclosing the identity of informants and of causing embarrassment to the Bureau.

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SAC, New York (100-111180)

Director, FBI (100-392452)

STANLEY DAVID LEVISON
SECURITY MATTER - C

May 15, 1962

This information should not be disseminated. Any additional information received at the Bureau concerning another appearance by Levison before the Subcommittee will be promptly furnished you.

Enclosures (2)

NOTE ON YELLOW:

Subject's name in Security Index. He resides New York City and is closely associated with Martin Luther King, Jr. Levison's testimony obtained by Mr. DeLoach's Office and summary of statement and testimony, as well as Photostats thereof, previously furnished to Attorney General and Deputy Attorney General. Levison refused to answer questions put to him by Subcommittee.
Memorandum

TO:  Mr. W. C. Sullivan

FROM: Mr. C. D. DeLoach

DATE: May 3, 1962

SUBJECT: TESTIMONY - SENATE INTERNAL SECURITY SUBCOMMITTEE

Also attached is a copy of a statement issued by Stanley David Levison to the Senate Internal Security Subcommittee. This statement is also submitted to the Domestic Intelligence Division for review and should be returned to my office to be returned to the Committee.

Enclosures (2)
1 - Mr. Sizoo - (W/Enclosures)
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Memorandum

TO: Director, FBI (Bureau 100-392452)
FROM: SAC. NEW YORK (100-111180)
DATE: 5/24/62

SUBJECT: STANLEY DAVID LEVISON, aka INTERNAL SECURITY - C
(00: NEW YORK)

☑ It is recommended that a Security Index Card be prepared on the above-captioned individual.

☑ The Security Index Card on the captioned individual should be changed as follows (specify change only):

Name

Alias

☐ Native Born ☐ Naturalized ☐ Alien

☐ Communist ☐ Socialist Workers Party ☐ Independent Socialist League

☑ Miscellaneous (specify)

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☒ Tab for Detcom Race Sex ☐ Male ☐ Female

Date of Birth Place of Birth

Business Address (show name of employing concern and address)

Business Address

Key Facility Data

100-392452

Geographical Reference Number

Responsibility

Interested Agency

Residence Address

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Bureau (100-392452)
New York (100-111180)

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DATE 9/24/62 BY B. L. W. G.

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Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-392452)          DATE: 5/23/62
FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-111180)
SUBJECT: STANLEY DAVID LEVISON
          IS-C
          (OO: NY)

In view of the above information, LEVISON is being designated as a key figure of the NYO.

Enclosed herewith is a suitable photograph of the subject and available specimens of his handwriting.

FD-122 has been submitted noting the above change.

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STANLEY DAVID LEVISON
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