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SUBJECT: DEACONS FOR DEFENSE AND JUSTICE

PART:4 OF 4

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-2466)
FROM: SAC, NEW ORLEANS (157-5624) (P)
RE: DEACONS FOR DEFENSE AND
JUSTICE, FERRIDAY, LOUISIANA
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Re New Orleans airtel to Bureau, 12/2/66.

Enclosed for the Bureau are 11 copies of a self-explanatory letterhead memorandum concerning captioned matter.

Copies of this LHM are being furnished to Secret Service, MIG, and NISO, New Orleans, as well as OSI, Barksdale AFB, La., and the USA, Shreveport, La.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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New Orleans, Louisiana
January 2, 1967

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DEACONS FOR DEFENSE AND
JUSTICE, FERRIDAY, LOUISIANA

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On December 29, 1966, [redacted]
[redacted] Ferriday, Louisiana, advised that he has heard
of no Deacons for Defense and Justice being in the Negro
community of Ferriday at this time.

He advised that approximately two weeks ago the
various Negro community groups began to organize in order to
re-evaluate some of their civil rights aims and at that time
invitations were sent out throughout the Negro community for
the Deacons for Defense and Justice, if they existed, to send
representatives to the meetings held by these community groups.
No one stepped forward at that time or since to claim to be a
representative for the Deacons for Defense and Justice.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-439190)

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (100-11329) ⁴²³⁴⁷

SUBJECT: STUDENT NON-VIOLENT COORDINATING COMMITTEE (SNCC)

RM
(OO: Atlanta)
(Bufile: 100-439190)

STOKELY CARMICHAEL ^o
RM ^{-DPJ}
(OO: Atlanta)

Re Chicago airtel and letterhead memorandum (LHM) dated 1/10/67, and Chicago teletypes 1/13/67, captioned "COMINFIL, SNCC, IS - C."

Enclosed for the Bureau are sixteen (16) copies of an LHM pertaining to the above.

A copy of this LHM has been furnished via courier to the following:

U. S. Attorney, Chicago, Illinois
 U. S. Secret Service, Chicago, Illinois
 Region I, 113th MI, Evanston, Illinois

The first source referred to is [redacted]

The second source is [redacted]

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- 1 - 100-441968 (ACT)
- 1 - 157- (CCBP)
- 1 - 157-2466 (DDJ)
- 1 - 157- [REDACTED]

- 3 - Atlanta (RM) (encl. 3)
- 1 - (SNCC)
- 1 - [REDACTED]
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- 1 - (SNCC)

- 11 - Chicago
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- 1 - 100-11329 (CORE)
- 1 - 157-303 (ACT)
- 1 - 157-1465 (CCBP)
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COMINFIL has not been included in the title and IS-C has not been included in the character inasmuch as the activities reported pertain only to racial matters.



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Chicago, Illinois
January 13, 1967

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STUDENT NON-VIOLENT
COORDINATING COMMITTEE (SNCC)
RACIAL MATTER

STOKELY CARMICHAEL
RACIAL MATTER

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Reference is made to Chicago memorandum dated
January 10, 1967, captioned "Student Non-Violent Coordinating
Committee."

On January 13, 1967, a source who has furnished
reliable information in the past advised that
Stokely Carmichael arrived in Chicago, Illinois, on January
12, 1967, and at 7:00 p.m. on January 12, 1967, Carmichael
met with individuals affiliated with the Coordinating
Council for Black Power (CCBP) at 413 East Oakwood Boulevard,
Chicago, Illinois. The CCBP will be described subsequently
in this memorandum.

At this gathering various questions were asked of
Carmichael as follows:

Carmichael was questioned as to what action SNCC was
going to take concerning the local SNCC leader who was openly
residing with a white woman. Carmichael responded that this was
an internal SNCC problem and would be handled as such.

It was pointed out to Carmichael that this situation had
been exposed in the local press and, therefore, could not be
considered an internal problem. Following considerable discussion,

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10 it was agreed by Carmichael and those present that the local
11 SNCC leader should be ousted.
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13 Carmichael was questioned as to why he was
14 speaking before a predominantly white audience at the
15 University of Chicago rather than before a local Negro
16 audience.
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18 Carmichael answered that he receives some \$1,000
19 to \$1,500 for each appearance and he is speaking three to four
20 times each week. Carmichael noted that funds such as he is
21 able to receive from the speeches before white audiences would not
22 be available from Negro audiences.
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24 Carmichael was asked why he is only spending one
25 day in Chicago and he replied that he has an extremely
26 busy schedule and expects it will stay that way for the next
27 several months. Carmichael was asked why he did not come
28 to Chicago during the past summer's violence in Chicago and
29 Carmichael replied that he has no base of operation in
30 Chicago. Carmichael noted that when he was arrested in
31 Atlanta he knew the Negroes were behind him as was evidenced by their
32 being in the streets to support him, however, he has no assurance
33 that this same support would be forthcoming in Chicago.
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35 Carmichael did indicate that he planned to return to
36 Chicago during February, 1967, to assist in the campaign of
37 independent Negro aldermanic candidates.
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39 Carmichael was asked about his recent statements in
40 support of Representative Adam Clayton Powell when Powell had failed
41 to give Carmichael support in the past.
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43 Carmichael stated he is not supporting Powell as Powell,
44 however, views the current attack on Powell as an attack against the
45 Negro, and, therefore, believes it important for the Negro
46 to come to the assistance of Powell. Carmichael commented that he
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COORDINATING COMMITTEE (SNCC)

STOKELY CARMICHAEL

did not anticipate Congress reseating Powell, however, Powell may be re-elected to his seat in Congress.

Carmichael was asked how he felt about direct confrontation or revolution-type activity in which the Negro would use force to gain his rights.

Carmichael stated that the Negro would be a "damn fool" to gather out into the streets and try to win his rights by force.

One of those present pointed out to Carmichael that the Viet Cong carry on their fight with few arms and seem to be doing all right to which Carmichael replied that the Viet Cong have been able to obtain abandoned and captured arms and he did not see any correlation between the situation of the American Negro and that of the Viet Cong. Carmichael stated that he would have nothing to do with such activity and in the event it started he would get as far away from it as possible.

Carmichael was asked what he thought about integration and segregation and he commented that in a segregated society the Negro is very susceptible to being isolated and thus destroyed; however, in an integrated community, the Negro is much less vulnerable; therefore, he is for an integrated society.

Carmichael was asked if he believed the Negro should get guns, and he replied, "Never ask me about nothing", stating that one time a fellow sought him out to tell him that he was planning to blow something up at which time Carmichael looked the other way as if he had never seen this fellow before. Carmichael said if the fellow was going to blow something up, he would probably go ahead and do it and it contributed nothing to come and tell Carmichael about it. Carmichael said that the situation involving guns is the same and that if the Negro believes it is necessary to have a gun he will go out and get a gun, and there is nothing that he, Carmichael, can do about it.

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18 Following this meeting, Carmichael spoke to a capacity
19 house at the University of Chicago, Mandell Hall, under the
20 auspices of the Student Government Association of the University
21 of Chicago. About 1,000 were in attendance.

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23 At this gathering Carmichael read from a prepared speech
24 which defined black power in terms of the attainment of political
25 and economic goals by the Negro.

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27 Carmichael also told the group that the recent
28 unseating of representative Powell is an attack on the blackman
29 and Powell has been ousted not because he is Powell but because he
30 is a Negro.

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32 Carmichael compared the Negro to a dog, stating that
33 a barking dog never bites and he suggested that the Negro
34 leaders who have thrown in with the power structure such as Martin
35 Luther King can be compared to this barking dog; therefore the
36 power structure does not fear them. Carmichael said that the other
37 Negroes can be compared to the other dogs who if pushed hard enough
38 will eventually bite and if the system continues to push the
39 Negro sooner or later he will react and Carmichael then asked the
40 group, "Don't you know the Negro can kill too".

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42 A second source who has furnished reliable information in
43 the past furnished similar information to the above concerning the
44 January 12, 1967, meeting at the University of Chicago.

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46 This source reported Carmichael as defining black power
47 in terms of political and economic power and that Carmichael was
48 mildly critical of Doctor Martin Luther King and ridiculed
49 the local political "machine."
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17 This source reported Carmichael as stating that
18 Negroes cannot work with whites in any freedom movement and if whites
19 want to be involved they will have to work with whites. Carmichael
20 said that when he tries to convince people he is a "good nigger",
21 they don't believe him and he has found that in order to have any
22 success he must conduct his work in the Negro community.

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24 The second source advised that following the meeting
25 a group of SNCC and Congress of Racial Equality (CORE)
26 supporters gathered at a lounge on Chicago's south side where
27 it was expected Carmichael would appear, however, Carmichael did
28 not attend this gathering.

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30 [REDACTED] advised that Carmichael along with
31 SNCC Field Secretary, Cleveland Sellers, Lawrence Landry, local
32 and National Chairman of ACT, Dick Gregory and a number of CCBP
33 participants gathered at a Chicago west side lounge for an
34 informal party which lasted until about 2:00 a.m., January 13, 1967.
35 It had been hoped that Carmichael would appear in Chicago on
36 January 18, 1967, for a CCBP rally at the Senate Theater, 3158 West
37 Madison, however, Carmichael stated he would be unable to attend
38 this rally and Dick Gregory agreed to be a featured speaker at
39 return to Chicago during February, 1967, to campaign for the
40 independent Negro aldermanic candidates. b7C
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43 On January 13, 1967, [REDACTED]

44 [REDACTED] advised that Carmichael departed
45 Chicago on Trans World Airlines, on Chicago Flight #134 at
46 2:45 p.m. on January 13, 1967, enroute to Philadelphia.

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48 The CCBP is a loose amalgamation of various Negro
49 civil rights organizations in Chicago, including ACT, a local
50 civil rights group, CORE and SNCC.

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52 Copies of this memorandum have been furnished to
53 the United States Attorney and United States Secret Service, both
54 Chicago, and Region I, 113th MI Group, Evanston, Illinois.

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TO: Director, FBI (157-4946)

FROM: SAC, Detroit (157-1200) (RUC)

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bl LAGONS OF DEFENSE & JUSTICE, INC.

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Re New Orleans airtel with LHM to Bureau, 12/23/66.

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In addition, the above sources advised that they were not cognizant of any individuals from the Detroit area who traveled to Europe in the latter part of August and/or September, 1966.

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BY DEACONS OF DEFENSE AND JUSTICE OFFICER THAT IF POLICE

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IF ANY INFO DEVELOPED OF INCIDENTS OR PROBLEMS OCCURRING
AT CAPTIONED ADDRESSES.

MILITARY, USA AND SECRET SERVICE ADVISED. LHM FOLLOWS.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, CHICAGO (157-1690)

SUBJECT: MOVE INS,
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CHICAGO, ILLINOIS
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DEACONS OF DEFENSE
AND JUSTICE, INC.
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS
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FRANKLIN

Re Chicago teletype to Bureau dated 1-13-67, and 1-14-67.

Enclosed for the Bureau are 11 copies of an LHM dated and captioned as above. One copy each has been furnished to the USA and U.S. Secret Service, Chicago, and to Region I, 113th MI Group, Evanston, Illinois.

No further investigation is contemplated by the Chicago Office in this matter barring the occurrence of additional incidents.

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Chicago, Illinois
January 16, 1967

MOVE INS,
10315-19 SOUTH MORGAN
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS
JANUARY 13, 1967
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DEACONS OF DEFENSE
AND JUSTICE, INCORPORATED
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS
RACIAL MATTER

On January 13, 1967, [redacted]

[redacted] advised

[redacted] both Chicago, Ill
that garbage cans in the rear of their properties had been over-
turned and the contents spilled into their backyards.
Both [redacted] and [redacted] are Negroes and they and their families
recently moved into this previously all white area. [redacted]
advised [redacted] that he believes these
incidents are racially motivated and he requested additional
police protection for his family and property.

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[redacted] advised that information was received
on January 13, 1967, that [redacted]
Deacons of Defense and Justice, Incorporated,
Chicago, has made the statement that if the Chicago Police
Department failed to provide [redacted] with adequate protection, the
Deacons would provide men in the area of the [redacted] residence
over the weekend of January 14, - 15, 1967, to protect [redacted]
and his property. [redacted] police patrol cars in the
Sixth District were put on special notice concerning the [redacted]
and [redacted] residences.

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15 AND JUSTICE, INCORPORATED
16 CHICAGO, ILLINOIS
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19 For a characterization of the Deacons of Defense and Justice,
20 Incorporated see the appendix of this communication.
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22 On January 14, 1967, [REDACTED]
23 [REDACTED] advised that no information had been
24 received of any incidents or problems at the residences of [REDACTED]
25 and [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] patrol cars in that area continued to be
26 on special notice for the above residences.
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28 On January 15, 1967, [REDACTED]
29 [REDACTED] advised no incidents had been reported by [REDACTED] or
30 [REDACTED] concerning the above.
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32 On January 16, 1967, [REDACTED]
33 [REDACTED] advised that no incidents relating
34 to the above residences were reported [REDACTED]
35 [REDACTED] over the previous weekend and he had no information that any
36 members of the Deacons of Defense and Justice, Incorporated were
37 at the [REDACTED] or [REDACTED] residences during the weekend.
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39 The following persons were advised of the above
40 information:

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42 Nicholas Garza
43 Assistant United States Attorney
44 Chicago, Illinois

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46 [REDACTED]
47 United States Marshal Service
48 Chicago, Illinois

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APPENDIX

1
DEACONS OF DEFENSE AND JUSTICE, INC.,
aka Deacons for Defense and Justice,
Inc.

The Articles of Incorporation of the Deacons of Defense and Justice (DDJ) as on file with the Secretary of State, for the State of Louisiana, reflects that the Deacons of Defense and Justice, Inc., is a Louisiana corporation domiciled at Jonesboro, Louisiana. The location and business office address of its registered office shall be Amos Service Station (rear), Beach Spring Road, Drawer B., Jonesboro, Louisiana.

"This corporation is organized for the following purposes and to carry on the following purposes:

"To instruct, train, teach and educate Citizens of the United States and especially minority groups in the fundamental principles of the republican form of government and our democratic way of life; to instruct, teach, train and educate said persons in the provisions of the constitution and laws of the United States and the State of Louisiana, as well as the constitution and laws of any other state wherein this corporation may operate; to instruct, teach train and educate said persons in the use, value, and purpose of the ballot and the right to vote; to instruct, teach, train and educate said persons as to the duties and responsibilities of good citizenship relative to the obligation and duties of the community to the citizen: to further instruct, teach, train and educate said persons in the value of economic security and in the effective use of their spending power; to inspire in said persons a sense of responsibility and to develop leadership. This corporation has for its further purpose, and is dedicated to, the defense of the civil rights, property rights and personal rights of said people and will defend said rights by any and all honorable and legal means to the end that justice may be obtained. This corporation may establish chapters and conduct its business at any place in this State and elsewhere as permitted by law."

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9 DIRECTOR, FBI

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19 DEACONS OF DEFENSE AND JUSTICE, INC. (DDJ)

20 RACIAL MATTERS (ORGANIZATION)

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FROM DIRECTOR FBI (100-442684) (157-2466)

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INTERNAL SECURITY - RAM

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RACIAL MATTERS (ORGANIZATION)

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41 NY CONTINUE TO AFFORD CLOSE COVERAGE TO [REDACTED]'S ACTIVITIES b7c
42 AND PARTICULARLY HIS WHEREABOUTS.

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44 PH SHOULD CONTACT SOURCES TO BE ALERT TO [REDACTED]'S POSSIBLE
45 PRESENCE IN THAT DIVISION.

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NOTE:

[redacted] is [redacted] of the Revolutionary
Action Movement (RAM), an all-Negro, Marxist-Leninist oriented
organization which follows the Chinese Communist line and leadership
under Robert F. Williams, a Negro fugitive from justice in
voluntary exile in Cuba and recently allegedly in China, who
advocates achieving of Negro rights by violence if necessary,
including guerrilla warfare.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

DIRECTOR, FBI (157-4946)

DATE: 1/25/67

FROM: SAC, HONOLULU (157-121) (RUC)

SUBJECT: [REDACTED] b7C

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Beacon for Defense of the

Re New Orleans airtel 12/23/66.

One copy of this letter is furnished Seattle since they have a lead to locate the Whirley World Construction Company.

The 1964 to 1966 City Directories for all the Hawaiian Islands are negative concerning the Whirley World Construction Company. Telephone books are also negative.

On 1/9/67 [REDACTED] Global Associates, 1240 Ala Moana, said he does not recall nor does his company have any record of the Whirley World Construction Company. He explained that the contracts for construction in the Pacific Islands, such as Guam, Johnston, Wake, Midway, etc., are let out to one of three companies, either Global, Martin-Zachry, and Holmes and Narver. Any other work would be subcontracted by one of these three companies.

On 1/9/67 [REDACTED] Martin-Zachry Construction, Building 65, Fort Armstrong, Honolulu, said he does not recall the name Whirley World Construction Company nor does his company have any record of such a company.

On 1/9/67 [REDACTED] and Narver, said she does not know anything concerning such a company as Whirley World.

On 1/9/67 [REDACTED] said her records are negative concerning the Whirley World Construction Company.

- 2-Durcan (RAM)
 - 2-New Orleans (157-5280) (RAM)
 - 1-Seattle (RAM)
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On 1/9/67 [redacted] Department of Regulatory Agencies, State of Hawaii, said there is no registration for the Whirley World Construction Company.

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Investigation reflected above was conducted by SA [redacted]

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TITLE OF CASE DRAGONS OF DEFENSE AND JUSTICE, INC. aka. Dragons for Defense and Justice, Inc.		REPORT MADE BY S4 [REDACTED] b7c	TYPED BY dbb
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AT BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS		- P -	
Will advise if information received indicating DDJ has formed chapter in Boston.		C. [REDACTED] 2, 3 B. [REDACTED] 3 D. [REDACTED] 3, 15 B. [REDACTED] 13	
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AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS		REASON - FCIM 11, 1-2.4.2(2, 3)	
Will contact Passport Office U. S. Department of State to determine if record for Passport Number [REDACTED]		DATE OF REVIEW 1-18-87	
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39 issued to EARNEST THOMAS on 7/13/66, has been located. If
40 so cover lead set out for WFO.
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42 2) Will maintain contact with sources having
43 knowledge of activities of DDJ for current information on
44 this organization.
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46 3) Will determine if [REDACTED] b7C
47 [REDACTED]

48 and [REDACTED] Chicago, are
49 members of the DDJ.
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52 AT EVANSTON, ILLINOIS
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54 Will conduct investigation to determine if ERNEST
55 THOMAS has organized a chapter of the DDJ in Evanston.
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CINCINNATI DIVISION

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AT DAYTON, OHIO

Will conduct investigation to determine if chapter of DDJ formed that city.

CLEVELAND DIVISION

AT CLEVELAND, OHIO

Will maintain contact with informants in an effort to determine if there is any additional activity concerning the DDJ.

DETROIT DIVISION

AT DETROIT, MICHIGAN

Will conduct investigation to determine if ERNEST THOMAS has organized a chapter of DDJ in Detroit.

JACKSON DIVISION

AT GREENVILLE, MISSISSIPPI

Will determine if [redacted] is a member of the DDJ or other racial organizations.

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AT [redacted] MISSISSIPPI

Will determine disposition of charges against [redacted] and [redacted] in connection with arrest of these individuals on 8/22/66.

Consider interviewing these individuals and other members of DDJ [redacted] to develop info re this chapter of DDJ.

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PHILADELPHIA DIVISION

AT PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA

Will conduct investigation to determine if ERNEST THOMAS has organized a chapter of the DDJ in Philadelphia.

SAN DIEGO DIVISION

AT SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA

Maintain contact with informants in an effort to determine if there is any additional activity concerning the DDJ.

WASHINGTON FIELD

AT WASHINGTON, D.C.

Will check records, Passport Office, U. S. Department of State, for Passport Number [REDACTED] issued to ERNEST THOMAS, 7/13/66, at Chicago, Illinois. Obtain background information and photograph from records. Set forth in IHM suitable for dissemination.

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AT JONESBORO, LOUISIANA

1) Will contact sources to determine itinerary and purpose of trip made by ERNEST THOMAS to Europe, and

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possibly Cuba and Red China beginning 7/15/66, for approxi-
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3) Determine if THOMAS has recently traveled to
New York.

4) Develop sources to have knowledge of activities
of THOMAS for advance knowledge of his activities.

AT BOGALUSA, LOUISIANA

Will maintain contact with [REDACTED]
Bogalusa Chapter, DDJ, for activities of this organization.

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AT HOMER, LOUISIANA

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AT MINDEN, LOUISIANA

Will maintain contact with sources having knowledge
of activities of DDJ.

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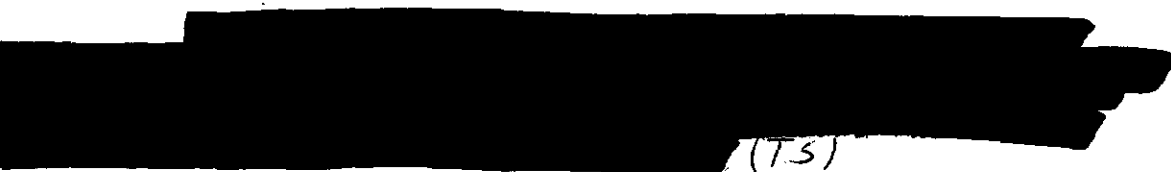
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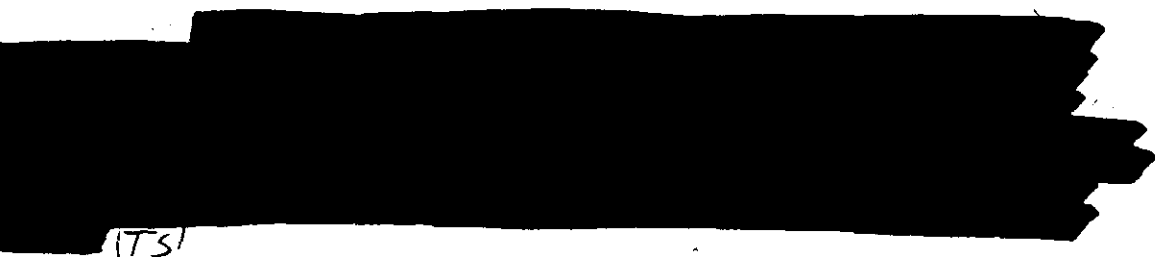


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21 All pertinent information regarding activities of the
22 Deacons for Defense and Justice was furnished to local authori-
23 ties immediately upon receipt.

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25 Information regarding the foreign travel and activities
26 of ERNEST THOMAS is being reported [REDACTED] b7C
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29 Pertinent data concerning ERNEST THOMAS is set forth
30 herein for the purpose of reporting indications of his connections
31 with the DDJ, as well as denials of his connections by officers
32 of DDJ. His travels are touched upon to show possible, but
33 presently unsubstantiated, international ties of DDJ.

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35 Inquiry of United States Department of State, as set
36 forth on page 9 of details, was covered by IC [REDACTED] b7C
37 of the Washington Field Office.

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28 United States pursuant to
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36 HENRY AUSTIN, a member of the Bogalusa, Louisiana, (c)
37 chapter of the DDJ, held an open forum before the SWP, Cleveland,
38 Ohio, and stated "America better change this society. America
39 is just playing games here and over in Vietnam. For example,
40 the riots in the Hough area were not race riots, but riots of
41 violence. I will give it another year and the riots will not
42 be just in the ghetto's but outside as well."

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44 AUSTIN stated "The purpose of the Deacons for
45 Defense is to protect the Negro from the Klu Klux Klan and
46 from police brutality. The Deacons for Defense is blazing
47 a trail for justice. Down south when the police send in
48 the Klu Klux Klan to settle an incident, and when the
49 Deacons for Defense show up, it is so quiet you can hear two
50 cotton balls being rubbed together."

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52 "We have been under white power for 400 years
53 and we are tired of it. One of these days we will be under
54 black power. When the Negro does come out of the ghetto's,
55 America will need the National Guard for protection. We
56 don't want civil rights or voting rights now. It is out of
57 the question at this time."

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11 "Urban renewal post signs in empty lots stand for years,
12 and they don't do any rebuilding. They better start building
13 better houses and better recreation centers for the Negroes.
14 By the looks of things nothing will ever be done. This society
15 needs a socialistic change."
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18 [REDACTED] a meeting of the Committee to End the War in Vietnam was (c)
19 held at 1846 Coventry Road, Cleveland Heights, Ohio. HENRY
20 AUSTIN, a Negro, gave a talk on the Deacons for Defense and
21 "from the ghettos." He said "The Deacons is an organization com-
22 posed of only Negroes because they want to feel that they are
23 doing something without the help of the white man. He said he,
24 himself, does not belong to the Deacons at the present time."
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26 A characterization of the Committee to End the War in
27 Vietnam (CEWV) is attached to the appendix of this report.
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42 [REDACTED] that a meeting of the (c)
43 SWP was held on October 23, 1966, at Cleveland, Ohio. HENRY
44 AUSTIN from Bogalusa, Louisiana, and a number of Negro men attend-
45 ed this meeting. AUSTIN was the main speaker for this meeting.
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48 AUSTIN only spoke for twenty minutes. He told of the
49 events in Bogalusa, Louisiana, and of the participation of the
50 Deacons for Defense in the Mississippi marches. HENRY AUSTIN
51 said that the Deacons do advocate self defense in cases of
52 harassment of the Negro, either by arms or any other weapon.
53 He said that the Deacons for Defense (DDJ) are not always violent,
54 and that they were the first to collect food and clothing and
55 distribute it in New Orleans after the hurricane "Betsy."
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17 There was a short question and answer period. During that
18 time AUSTIN stated that the Negro will never gain civil rights
19 under the present system of Government in the United States,
20 but he also would not commit himself and say which type of
21 Government is needed.

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23 ACTIVITIES AND STATEMENTS OF ERNEST THOMAS
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25 On July 2, 1966, [REDACTED]
26 [REDACTED], advised that ERNEST THOMAS was in Baltimore accompanied by
27 CHARLES SIMS and that they were staying at [REDACTED]
28 Baltimore.
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30 [REDACTED] that ERNEST THOMAS, (c)
31 Regional Vice President and Northern Director of the Deacons of
32 Defense and Justice is scheduled to give a speech in Grambling,
33 Louisiana, at 8:00 P.M. on June 29, 1966. This speech will be
34 open to the public and THOMAS will speak in front of the Post
35 Office in Grambling.
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40 The Deacons of Defense and Justice is an organization
41 set up in Jonesboro, Louisiana, during the late 1964. It was
42 incorporated in the State of Louisiana in March of 1965. The
43 purpose of the organization was to provide protection for the
44 Negro people of Jonesboro and particularly those people participat-
45 ing in civil rights activities in Jonesboro. The original idea
46 for forming this organization was developed when it was believed
47 that some of the members of the Jonesboro Police Force were members
48 of the Klan in that area, and it was felt that these police officers
49 could not be relied upon to provide the necessary protection for
50 the Negro citizens of the community. At that time, the DDJ was
51 formed and incorporated.
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15 THOMAS was vice-president, F. D. ~~KIRKPATRICK~~ was secretary,
16 and HENRY AMOS was sergeant-at-arms. Later, ERNEST
17 THOMAS was dropped as vice-president. When F. D. KIRKPATRICK
18 moved from Jonesboro, Louisiana, to Grambling, Louisiana,
19 he was replaced as secretary of the organization. The
20 organization was set up strictly as a defensive organization,
21 and was established along non-violent lines. Chapters were
22 soon set up in Bogalusa, Minden, Homer, and Ferriday,
23 Louisiana. Shortly after the chapter was set up in Bogalusa,
24 Louisiana, the organization board began having trouble with
25 CHARLES SIMS, the president of that chapter. SIMS was
26 adopting a more militant attitude than that desired by the
27 board, and there was a split between the group in Jonesboro
28 and that in Bogalusa. At the present time, tension still
29 exists between these groups.

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31 When KIRKPATRICK moved to Grambling, Louisiana, he
32 was instrumental in setting up a chapter of the DDJ in the
33 community. The group has never been chartered with the head-
34 quarters in Jonesboro, and it appears that it is almost
35 dissolved at the present time. It was originally made up of
36 faculty members and students of Grambling College, and with
37 the end of the past semester, most of the members left
38 Grambling and the chapter.

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40 The DDJ is incorporated in the State of Louisiana
41 only, and has not filed papers to do business in any other
42 state. For this reason, the DDJ has no chapters outside of
43 the State of Louisiana. ERNEST THOMAS has been traveling
44 around the United States calling himself the Regional Vice-
45 president and Northern Director of the DDJ. He has claimed
46 to have set up DDJ chapters in several cities in the United
47 States, and has supposedly set these chapters up on a militant
48 basis. These efforts on the part of ERNEST THOMAS are
49 reportedly entirely on his own, and are not supported or
50 condoned by the DDJ of Jonesboro. It is believed that
51 ERNEST THOMAS has adopted his title because of his former
52 position in the DDJ in Jonesboro, but that all of his
53 activities are strictly on his own behalf. The DDJ head-
54 quarters in Jonesboro has reportedly never received any requests
55 for charters from anywhere outside of the State of Louisiana, and
56 they could not issue charters outside of the state if they were
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ERNEST THOMAS is believed to have DDJ chapters in Los Angeles, California; Chicago, Illinois; Detroit, Michigan; Washington, D.C ; and in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. It is not known where he receives his financial support or backing in his organizational activities.

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It is known that ~~ERNEST THOMAS~~ has the nick-
name of CHILLY WILLIE.

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It was determined that THOMAS did not leave
the march on Wednesday, June 22, 1966, as there had been
trouble in Canton, Mississippi, and he did not want to
leave at that time.

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THOMAS is attempting to organize the DDJ in the Chicago, Illinois, area. He is in a constant travel status, but maintains his family and permanent residence in Louisiana, [REDACTED] (c)

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21 "The national headquarters of the DDJ is at Jonesboro,
22 Louisiana, where the organization is incorporated. ERNEST THOMAS
23 has had difficulties with the national officers and they have
24 little or no control over his activities. The parent organization
25 is not in agreement with many of THOMAS' statements and activities.
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38 On August 19, 1966, inquiry at the Passport Office,
39 United States Department of State, Washington, D. C., failed to
40 locate any record on file identifiable with ERNEST THOMAS.
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Passport Office suggested records of Passport Office, United States Department of State in Chicago be checked for current information. Possibility exists information may not have been transmitted to Passport Office, Washington, D.C.

[REDACTED], Passport Office, United States Department of State, 219 South Dearborn Street, Chicago, Illinois, advised SA [REDACTED] on September 12, 1966, that passport number [REDACTED] was issued and picked up at Chicago, Illinois, on July 13, 1966, by one ERNEST THOMAS. No address was listed by THOMAS. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] stated THOMAS' passport file had been forwarded to the Department of State, Washington, D.C.

On September 26, 1966, [REDACTED] Jonesboro, Louisiana, advised that ERNEST THOMAS was observed in Jonesboro, September 25, 1966. [REDACTED] advised that he did not know the exact date of THOMAS' arrival at Jonesboro.

As of October 7, 1966, the Passport Office has not been able to locate a record reflecting issuance of a passport to ERNEST THOMAS.

[REDACTED] advised on October 31, 1966, [REDACTED] that ERNEST THOMAS is not a representative of the DDJ and his title as Northern Regional Vice President is self-appointed.

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14 He stated that the national organization of the
15 DDJ does not sponsor any activity outside the state of
16 Louisiana unless protection might be requested in an area
17 where racial tension is high or when Civil Rights marchers
18 and demonstrators are in need of assistance from the
19 Louisiana organization of the DDJ.

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21 He advised that the travels of THOMAS in Chicago,
22 Illinois, Detroit, Michigan, New York, New York, and other
23 localities outside the state of Louisiana are not made
24 known to the officers of the organization and no funds
25 are received from THOMAS as a result of his formation of
26 new chapters outside the state.

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39 ACTIVITIES OF KNOWN OR ALLEGED CHAPTERS OF THE DDJ

40 BOGALUSA, LOUISIANA CHAPTER

41 [REDACTED]
42 [REDACTED]
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44 Bogalusa, Louisiana, Chapter, [REDACTED]
45 [REDACTED]

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47 [REDACTED] advised that on Sunday, July 24, 1966,
48 a meeting of the Bogalusa Chapter of the DDJ was held and new
49 officers were elected.
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54 [REDACTED] further advised that the reason an
55 election was held was because the majority of the Deacon
56 membership felt that the policies of former President CHARLES

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12 SIMS were not satisfactory and did not bring about
13 the desired results. He stated that the Deacons' major
14 objection was that although CHARLES SIMS gave people the
15 impression that he was a militant individual, the membership
16 was dissatisfied with the fact that CHARLES SIMS never
17 backed up his threats with actions.

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19 [REDACTED] added that at the meeting it was
20 decided that hence forth any anti-Negro actions by whites in
21 the Bogalusa and Franklinton, Louisiana, areas will be countered
22 with militant actions. He explained that by this he meant that
23 the Deacons will now react violently if necessary.

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25 Regarding activities that the Deacons will partici-
26 pate in, [REDACTED] stated that the Deacons will now begin taking
27 active part in picketing and testing.

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29 [REDACTED] stated that additional marches are
30 being planned at this time, and that included a possible march
31 to Baton Rouge, Louisiana, and an additional march to Franklinton,
32 Louisiana. He was unable to state specifically what their
33 grievances were, but added that it is just a culmination of
34 general mistreatment of Negroes. No dates have been set for
35 above planned marches.

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37 BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS CHAPTER:

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39 [REDACTED]
40 CHARLES SIMS, President DDJ, left
41 Bogalusa, Louisiana, on July 4, 1966, en route to Boston,
42 Massachusetts. SIMS accompanied by (First Name Unknown)
43 [REDACTED]
44 [REDACTED]

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46 [REDACTED] purpose of trip is to assist
47 local Boston Chapter in reinforcing the organization.

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49 SIMS' specific plans are unknown [REDACTED]
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CHICAGO, ILLINOIS CHAPTER:

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"On Friday night, July 29, 1966, Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, head of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, an organization active in civil rights activities, spoke at a civil rights meeting near 71st and South Halsted, Chicago. Approximately 40 Negro males, who indicated they were members of the DDJ, stayed outside and were in the area to reportedly protect the person of Dr. KING and other civil rights leaders. They reportedly carried firearms.

"On the same night, July 29, 1966, STOKELY CARMICHAEL, head of the Student Non-Violent Coordinating

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11 "Committee (SNCC), spoke to a group of the Packinghouse labor
12 union on the south side of Chicago. Approximately 40 alleged
13 members of the DDJ were also in this area to provide protection.
14 They were also reportedly armed. The Deacons do not take an
15 active part as such at meetings but are merely in the area to
16 provide protection.

17 SNCC is a highly militant civil rights organization.

18 ~~A characterization of SNCC is attached to the appendix~~
19 ~~section of this report.~~

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21 "The DDJ at Chicago has no arms arsenal and what weapons
22 are available are owned personally by individual members.

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24 "True members of the DDJ are issued membership cards.
25 Members are being recruited at Chicago at \$25. per head.

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27 "The membership of the DDJ at Chicago is not known.
28 However, active membership or indicated active membership can
29 be estimated at around 80 Negro males.

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31 "The DDJ did not participate as an organization in the
32 ill-fated civil rights demonstration for open occupancy in
33 the Gage Park-Marquette Park area of Chicago on July 31, 1966,
34 in which racial violence broke out. One or two DDJ members
35 were observed in the area of the demonstration, but they were
36 there as individuals.

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38 [REDACTED]
39 [REDACTED]
40 [REDACTED]
41 [REDACTED]
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45 [REDACTED]
46 [REDACTED]
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49 [REDACTED] advised that

50 the local chapter of the DDJ planned a march at 3:00 PM, August 21, 1966,

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14 in the Gage Park area for their march. [REDACTED]
15 would not furnish [REDACTED] with information
16 as to where the group intended to park their vehicles
17 or the line of march. [REDACTED] did state the group
18 plans to march North from 59th and Western to 55th Street
19 but he would furnish no additional details and was very
20 vague.

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22 On August 21, 1966, [REDACTED]
23 [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]
24 [REDACTED] advised that the scheduled
25 DDJ march into the Gage Park area had been cancelled, and
26 that the group had pulled out of their anticipated march.
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MINDEN, LOUISIANA, CHAPTER

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There was no violence discussed and the meeting was just a discussion of the racial situation at Minden. The Deacons do not want any firearms and there is no reason to think there will be any trouble at Minden, Louisiana.

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There was no talk of any violence and no trouble is expected.

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the racial situation is very quiet

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The Deacons in Minden, still do not own any weapons and no violence of any kind was discussed or is expected.

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[REDACTED] said the group still has not purchased any weapons and no violence is expected.

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On June 20, 1966, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] advised that [REDACTED] has no information indicating that the DDJ is either functioning or holding regular meetings in Cleveland, Ohio.

[REDACTED] that he had (c) no knowledge of DDJ meetings in Cleveland, Ohio.

SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA CHAPTER

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[REDACTED] that he was (c) unable to find any evidence that the Deacons are currently organized in San Diego at this time.

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18 1. COMMITTEE TO END THE WAR IN VIETNAM
19 (CEWV)
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21 The Committee to End the War in Vietnam (CEWV) was
22 established in Madison, Wisconsin in February, 1965 for the
23 declared sole purpose of altering United States policy in
24 Vietnam by negotiations with the Vietcong, a cessation of
25 bombing of North Vietnam and withdrawal of United States
26 troops from Vietnam.
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28 On May 6, 1965, the CEWV expressed its opposition
29 to the United States policy in the Dominican Republic which
30 it charges is designed only to perpetuate oligarchy in that
31 country. In pursuit of its objectives, it has organized
32 marches, picket lines and demonstrations. Its disruptive
33 tactics toward a group supporting United States Vietnam
34 policy were publicized in the May 14, 1965 edition of "Time",
35 the national weekley news magazine.
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
New Orleans, Louisiana
November 22, 1966

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In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Title DEACONS OF DEFENSE AND JUSTICE, INC.

Character RACIAL MATTERS

Reference REPORT OF SA [REDACTED] b7C
AT NEW ORLEANS, DATED AND CAPTIONED
AS ABOVE.

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

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CLEVELAND, WILL ASCERTAIN THROUGH LOGICAL SOURCES IF
 [REDACTED] IN CLEVELAND AREA ON DECEMBER 1, LAST AND
 DISCREETLY DETERMINE PRESENT WHEREABOUTS AND IF IN USA, IF
 [REDACTED] PLANNING OVERSEAS TRIP.

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NEW ORLEANS WILL KEEP BUREAU ADVISED OF THOMAS' ACTIVITIES.

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Memorandum

DIRECTOR, FBI (157-4946) ~~TOP SECRET~~ DATE: JAN 24 1967

SAC, NEW YORK (157-1696) (RUC)

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Re New Orleans airtel to Bureau and NY, 12/23/66.

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- 2 - Bureau (RM)
- 2 - New Orleans (RM)
- 1 - New York

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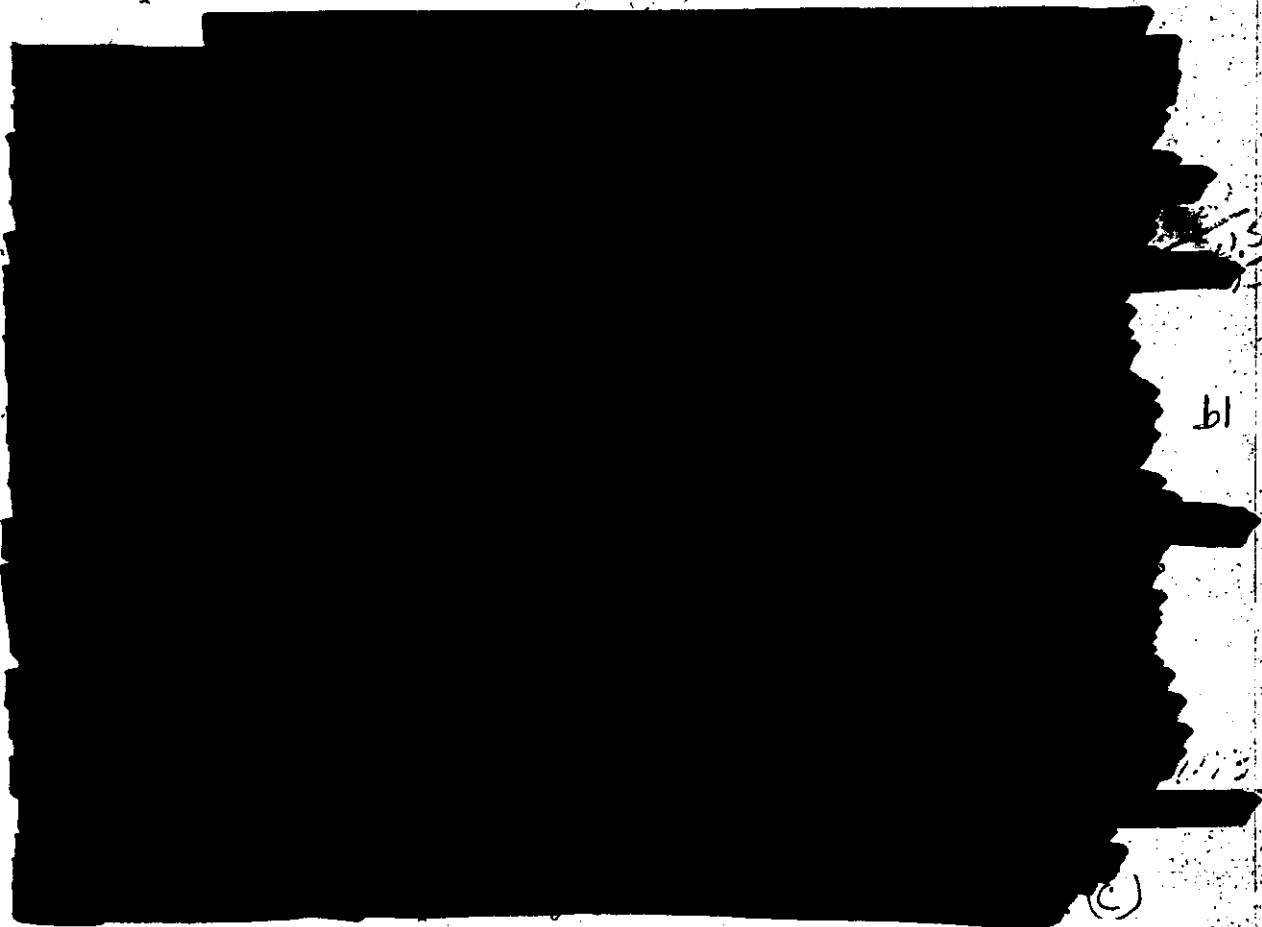
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NY airtel to Bureau and New Orleans dated 9/26/66, same dual caption, requested New Orleans to sutel if ERNEST THOMAS was in the US or overseas, and if overseas, advise anticipated date of return, Port of Entry [redacted]

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Also New Orleans was requested that if NY was anticipated as Port of Entry, to advise so that NY could contact INS and customs [redacted]

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and New York on the same date states that [redacted]

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[redacted] advised
that THOMAS was observed in Jonesboro on 9/25/66, and
that he was unable to advise as to THOMAS' date of arrival,
adding that New Orleans would contact sources and attempt to
ascertain the future plans of THOMAS.

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For the same reason, the New York Office would be unable to check flight manifests of all airlines leaving New York City for a two-three week period inasmuch as there are overseas flights leaving New York at the rate of one per minute. The New Orleans Office would have to obtain at least either the airline or the date of departure, if THOMAS left from New York, in order to eliminate the numerous manifests on microfilm, which would take many agents, many days, to inspect.

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New Orleans also requested the New York Office to ascertain if the leaders of any known black power or Communist organizations in this area travelled to Europe in the latter part of August and September, 1966. It is noted that numerous people travel abroad during the summer months, from New York, many of which are tours arranged by various Communist front groups, the individuals travelling by different airlines and by ship and joining the tour in either London or Paris, or some other foreign country.

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To cover such leads with no definite purpose in mind, is extremely excessive, and does not appear warranted at this time. The New York Office would appreciate knowing if and when THOMAS plans to come to New York, so that its sources can be alerted, however, it is most difficult to attempt to ascertain information concerning this subject long after he has been gone from this area. In addition, the New York Office has neither a photograph nor an up-to-date description of this subject.

UACB, the leads set forth in referenced airtel will not be covered unless the New Orleans Office is more specific. The New York Office, will however, alert its sources in the matter, and in the event any information concerning THOMAS is brought to their attention, it will be immediately submitted to the New Orleans Office.

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TO : Director, FBI (157-2466) DATE: 1/18/67

FROM : SAC, New Orleans (157-3290) (P)

SUBJECT: DEACONS OF DEFENSE AND JUSTICE, INC., aka
Deacons for Defense and Justice, Inc.
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Re New Orleans report of SA [redacted] dated 11/22/66.

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Enclosed for the Bureau and designated offices is New Orleans report of SA [redacted] dated 1/18/67 which is a supplemental report to replace referenced report.

Referenced report should be destroyed.

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- ② - Bureau (157-2466) (Encl. 7) (RM)
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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (157-2466) ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ DATE: 1/26/67

FROM : SAC, SAN DIEGO (157-273) (RUC)

SUBJECT: DEACONS OF DEFENSE AND JUSTICE, INC., aka
RM

Re report of SA [redacted] dated 11/22/66 at New Orleans.

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[Redacted line]

[redacted] advised on 1/17/67 and during the course of contacts during the months of December, 1966 and January, 1967 that in connection with their inquiries [redacted] in the San Diego Negro community, they have received no information concerning the organization or existence of the DEACONS OF DEFENSE AND JUSTICE, INC. in San Diego.

- 2-Bureau (RM)
- 2-New Orleans (157-3290) (RM)
- 2-San Diego

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 TO DIRECTOR (157-2466) AND NEW ORLEANS (157-3290)
 FROM CHICAGO (157-572) 272341

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DEACONS OF DEFENSE AND JUSTICE, DDJ, RACIAL MATTERS (ORGANIZATION)

REURRAD JANUARY 26, 1967.

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INSTANT DATE AND NO INFORMATION DEVELOPED RE FOREIGN TRAVEL
 OF THOMAS.

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SOURCES IN EFFORT TO DETERMINE KNOWLEDGE OF THOMAS TRAVEL PLANS.

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NEW ORLEANS VIA WASHINGTON - ENCODED

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NEW YORK FILE 157-1561.

RE NEW ORLEANS TEL TO BUREAU AND NEW YORK, DATED JANUARY TWENTY
SIXTH, SIXTYSEVEN, CAPTIONED AS ABOVE.

RE NEW YORK LETTER TO DIRECTOR AND NEW ORLEANS, JANUARY
TWENTY FOURTH, SIXTYSEVEN, CAPTIONED, [REDACTED]

RELET REFLECTS NYO INFORMANTS DO NOT KNOW THOMAS AND
WHAT THE NYO HAS NO PHOTOGRAPH OR DESCRIPTION OF [REDACTED]
THOMAS.

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To: SAC, New Orleans (157-3290)

From: Director, FBI (157-2466)

DEACONS FOR DEFENSE AND JUSTICE, INC.
RACIAL MATTERS

ReNOrep dated 1/18/67.

The thumbnail sketch for the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee (SNCC) set out in the Appendix Section of referenced report is not a Bureau-authorized characterization and should not be used. Ordinarily, characterizations are prepared only for subversive organizations. For your future guidance, when SNCC is referred to in a communication, at the present time, it is sufficient to identify this group as a highly militant civil rights organization.

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 TO DIRECTOR AND NEW ORLEANS
 FROM CHICAGO 302308

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Signature: [unclear]

DEACONS OF DEFENSE AND JUSTICE, INC. (DDJ) RM (ORGANIZATION).

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RE NEW ORLEANS TEL TO BUREAU, JANUARY 28, LAST AND BUREAU
 TEL TO CHICAGO JANUARY 27, LAST. *b7D*

[REDACTED] (PROTECT REQUESTED) AND
 CHICAGO SOURCES CONTACTED JANUARY 27, LAST AND ALL ADVISED
 THAT THEY HAD NO INFORMATION PERTAINING TO REPORTED FOREIGN
 TRAVEL OF THOMAS AND **[REDACTED]** THERE IS NO INFORMATION FROM
 ABOVE SOURCES THAT THOMAS HAS BEEN IN THE CHICAGO AREA SINCE
 SUMMER OF 1966. *b7D*

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FOLLOWING DESCRIPTION OF THOMAS FURNISHED FOR OFFICES NOT RECEIVING PREVIOUSLY. PHOTOGRAPH FOLLOWS.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-2466)
FROM: SAC, CHICAGO (157-572) (P)
SUBJECT: DEACONS OF DEFENSE AND JUSTICE
INCORPORATED (DDJ)
RACIAL MATTER (ORGANIZATION)
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APPROPRIATE AGENCIES
AND FIELD OFFICES
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Re Chicago airtel to the Bureau 12/19/66 and New Orleans report of SA [redacted] dated 1/18/67, and Chicago airtel to Bureau, 10/25 and 11/12/65. *b7C*

Enclosed for the Bureau are 11 copies of a LHM concerning captioned organization. A copy is being designated for New Orleans for information. *R. ABB*

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
Chicago, Illinois
January 30, 1967

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DEACONS OF DEFENSE AND JUSTICE
INCORPORATED (DDJ)
RACIAL MATTER (ORGANIZATION)

The Deacons of Defense and Justice Incorporated (DDJ), Chicago Chapter, first opened an office at 1230 South Pulaski Road, Chicago, telephone number 522-7706, during July, 1966. This number has been disconnected [REDACTED]

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On November 17, 1966, a source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that the new address for DDJ is a store front office on the street level at 712 South Pulaski Road. This address was determined to be the ward headquarters of the Democratic Party.

On December 22, 1966, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] advised that Edward "Fats" Crawford is the Vice President of the "Deacons" and Claudell Kirk is the Secretary. [REDACTED] is an admitted member. Total membership for the DDJ in the Chicago area is between five to fifteen.

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[REDACTED] On January 21, 1967, an article appearing in the "Chicago Daily News", "Red Streak" edition, contained an article titled "51 Council Hopefuls Barred". This article states that in the 28th Ward Crawford was dropped from the ballot on objections which charged his petition bore forged signatures. Crawford had filed a petition to run as Alderman in the above ward.

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RE: DEACONS OF DEFENSE AND JUSTICE INCORPORATED

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MEMBER OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION

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On December 30, 1966, [REDACTED] a college student whose natural curiosity has caused him to read and study the various civil rights organizations, stated that while he was not a member of any civil rights group he has heard through associates that DDJ is practically a non-existent organization in the Chicago area with approximately ten to fifteen members.

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[REDACTED] that to his knowledge, the DDJ was completely inactive in the Chicago area and was in extremely poor financial condition.

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RE: DEACONS OF DEFENSE AND JUSTICE INCORPORATED

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On January 24, 1967, [REDACTED] advised that the DDJ does not maintain an office as such at 712 South Pulaski Road but merely rents the hall on an infrequent basis along with leaders from ACT, a militant civil rights west side organization. It was the opinion of [REDACTED] that Edward "Fats" Crawford has publicly proclaimed himself as the Vice President and leader of the Chicago Chapter of DDJ in order to receive publicity in his bid in the Aldermatic elections scheduled for February, 1967. [REDACTED] concluded saying that the DDJ is practically non-existent at the present time and is in poor financial condition.

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A characterization of the DDJ is being attached to this memorandum.

A copy of this memorandum is being furnished to the following:

United States Attorney, Chicago

United States Secret Service, Chicago

113th MI Group, Evanston

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DEACONS OF DEFENSE AND JUSTICE, INC.,
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Inc.

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"This corporation is organized for the following purposes and to carry on the following purposes:

"To instruct, train, teach and educate Citizens of the United States and especially minority groups in the fundamental principles of the republican form of government and our democratic way of life; to instruct, teach, train and educate said persons in the provisions of the constitution and laws of the United States and the State of Louisiana, as well as the constitution and laws of any other state wherein this corporation may operate; to instruct, teach train and educate said persons in the use, value, and purpose of the ballot and the right to vote; to instruct, teach, train and educate said persons as to the duties and responsibilities of good citizenship relative to the obligation and duties of the community to the citizen: to further instruct, teach, train and educate said persons in the value of economic security and in the effective use of their spending power; to inspire in said persons a sense of responsibility and to develop leadership. This corporation has for its further purpose, and is dedicated to, the defense of the civil rights, property rights and personal rights of said people and will defend said rights by any and all honorable and legal means to the end that justice may be obtained. This corporation may establish chapters and conduct its business at any place in this State and elsewhere as permitted by law."

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DEACONS OF DEFENSE AND JUSTICE, INC. (DDJ) (P)

RM (ORGANIZATION)

Bureau file 157-2466

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Chicago file 157-1623

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Enclosed for the Bureau are 12 copies of LHM dated and captioned as above. One copy of LHM is being furnished to USA and Secret Service, Chicago, Illinois, and to Region I, 113th MI Group, Evanston, Illinois.

[Redacted block]

No recommendation is being made for inclusion of [Redacted] on the Security Index since he does not appear to meet the criteria on the basis of available information.

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Chicago, Illinois
January 31, 1967

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DEACONS OF DEFENSE AND JUSTICE, INCORPORATED, (DDJ)
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On January 10, 1967, [REDACTED] advised that [REDACTED]

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47 [REDACTED] recently had become argumentative and made
48 statements to the effect that for the Negro to win in his
49 struggle in the civil rights field, he must use violence.

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A characterization of the DDJ is attached as an appendix.

THOMAS SHOULD BE CONSIDERED POSSIBLY ARMED AND DANGEROUS IN VIEW OF HIS POSSESSION OF NUMEROUS WEAPONS.

Copies of this memorandum are being furnished to the United States Attorney and the United States Secret Service, Chicago, and 113th MI group, Evanston, Illinois.

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Bufile 100-442684

DEACONS OF DEFENSE AND JUSTICE, INC. (DDJ)
EN - ORG
Bufile 157-2466

Re New Orleans teletype to Bureau, no copy for
Dallas, 1/31/67.

~~MEMBER OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION~~

Attached for offices receiving copies of this
communication is one photograph each of ERNEST THOMAS,
leader, DDJ, Jonesboro, Louisiana.

No photograph being furnished Bureau.

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Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (157-2466)

DATE: 2/10/67

FROM : SAC, WFO (157-794) (RUC)

SUBJECT: DEACONS OF DEFENSE AND JUSTICE, INC., aka
DEACONS FOR DEFENSE AND JUSTICE, INC.
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Relet dated 1/18/67 and New Orleans report by SA [redacted] dated 1/18/67, both captioned as above.

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Re NO report requested WFO check Passport Office files re EARNEST THOMAS, and obtain photograph of THOMAS.

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WFO files indicate WFO furnished results of Passport Office file review regarding EARNEST THOMAS in letterhead memorandum (LHM) dated December 6, 1966. The LHM caption was [redacted]. Copies of Passport Office picture of EARNEST THOMAS were furnished to New Orleans on 12/8/66.

All data available concerning passport [redacted] issued to THOMAS on July 13, 1966, in Chicago, Illinois. [redacted]

[redacted] has been furnished the Bureau and New Orleans.

WFO will not recontact the Passport Office, United States Department of State for information regarding EARNEST THOMAS and his photograph.

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Date: 2/6/67

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-2466)
FROM: SAC, NEW ORLEANS (157-5624) (C)
SUBJECT: DEACONS FOR DEFENSE AND JUSTICE,
FERRIDAY, LOUISIANA
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C.D. [Signature]
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Re New Orleans airtel to Bureau, 1/6/67.

Enclosed for the Bureau are 11 copies of an LHM re captioned matter.

Copies of this LHM also being furnished to Secret Service, MIG, NISO, New Orleans, as well as OSI, Barksdale Air Force Base, La., and the USA, Shreveport, La.

K. [Signature]

This case is being closed because there has been no indication of Deacons activity in Ferriday for several months. Case will be re-opened at such time as information is developed of the existence of such activity.

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Approved: [Signature] Special Agent in Charge

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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New Orleans, Louisiana
February 6, 1967

In Reply, Please Refer to
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DEACONS FOR DEFENSE AND JUSTICE
FERRIDAY, LOUISIANA

On February 1, 1967, [redacted] advised he has received no information that any Negro in Ferriday, [redacted] is a member of the Deacons for Defense and Justice or any similar organization.

On the same date, [redacted] Ferriday, advised he has received no information indicating any members of the Negro community are connected with or members of the Deacons for Defense and Justice.

[redacted] and [redacted], who were members of the Congress of Racial Equality (CORE), were the only residents involved in organizing any militia-type groups, and both have been gone for months, [redacted]. Of the non-residents, [redacted], who had alleged he was a representative of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP), and [redacted], who claimed to be an organizer of CORE, are no longer in the parish. [redacted] has been gone since November, and [redacted] since December.

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Cleveland 157-490

REVOLUTIONARY ACTION MOVEMENT (RAM)
IS - RAM
OO: New York
Bufile 100-442684
New York 157-927
Cleveland 157-280

Re New Orleans tel, 1/28/67, using both captions.

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14 was taken from a tape and was edited only slightly according
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17 Enclosed for the Bureau, New York and New Orleans
18 are two Xerox copies of the clipping containing this speech.
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20 The "Cleveland Press", a daily newspaper published
21 at Cleveland, Ohio, in the edition of 1/31/67, on page C-7,
22 reported that former Cleveland Browns football star JIM BROWN,
23 was scheduled to go on trial 4/3/67 before a Juvenile Court
24 Jury on the charge that he is the father of a child born to
25 an 18 year old girl. The charge was brought by Miss BRENDA
26 AYRES, 3008 E. 73rd St. BROWN entered a plea of innocent
27 when the charge was filed in 11/65. Miss AYRES had previously
28 charged BROWN with assault and battery. He was acquitted on
29 that charge by a Cleveland Municipal Court Jury in 7/65.
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32 The 12/1/66 editions of the "Cleveland Press" and
33 of the "Plain Dealer", daily newspapers published at Cleveland,
34 Ohio, failed to contain any info indicating that JAMES BROWN,
35 aka., Jimmy Brown, was present in Cleveland on that date.

36 The "Cleveland Press" for that date on page F-2
37 carried a photograph of JAMES BROWN under which it stated
38 that he was reading a script for "Dark of the Sun", a film
39 he will start working on next year in Jamaica. The date
40 and place where photograph taken was not set forth.
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42 The "Cleveland Press" in its edition of 11/21/66,
43 contained an article that JAMES BROWN was in traffic court
44 at Cleveland, Ohio, on that date in connection with traffic
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15 The "Plain Dealer" in the edition of 9/28/66, on
16 page 35, under the byline of WILLIAM NICHOLS, reported that
17 JIMMY BROWN, the former all-pro fullback of the Cleveland
18 Browns, had returned to Cleveland on the afternoon of 9/27/66
19 from London, England where he had just completed work on
20 the movie, "The Dirty Dozen".

21 No further investigation is being conducted by
22 the Cleveland Office. [REDACTED]
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34 It is to be noted that as a matter of public record,
35 BROWN and his wife and children are known to reside at 3277
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Part of Jim Brown's Farewell Night Speech

(At the request of many readers we are publishing the speech former Brown's fullback Jim Brown made last Sunday night at the Arent at the affair in his honor. He spoke without a note. The following was taken from a tape and has been edited only slightly. Applause greeted many of his statements.)

Ladies and gentlemen, it's a pleasure to be here tonight. There are so many of you that I should thank that I'm just going to thank you all at once.

I know that this is a farewell to yours truly, and that's very wonderful of you. But I think of it more as something else. I think of it as a point wherein the Negro Industrial Economic Union can be brought forth, and then move on to greater things.

NOW THERE is a struggle going on in this country. There is a struggle. We all know about this struggle. We know what we want, and we know that one day we're going to get it. The confusion has come about because of the methods that have been applied in trying to gain this freedom.

The Constitution of the United States says that all of us should have freedom of speech, religion, and so forth. It does not say that one portion of our society should have more freedom than another. In fact, the theory and the philosophy that built this country is a very, very wonderful one. But as you all know, this theory and philosophy is always carried out. We know the methods that have been employed to bring about freedom—a lot of them have failed. A lot of them have caused trouble in the streets.

The Negro man in this country has not really attained his full manhood. All of us have a great desire to be equal in this society; a lot of us have participated in the various methods to win freedom—a lot of us have been disappointed.

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8-C THE PLAIN DEALER
(Cleveland, Ohio)

Date: 2/5/67
Edition: SUNDAY
Author:
Editor: THOMAS VAIL
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Submitting Office: CLEVELAND

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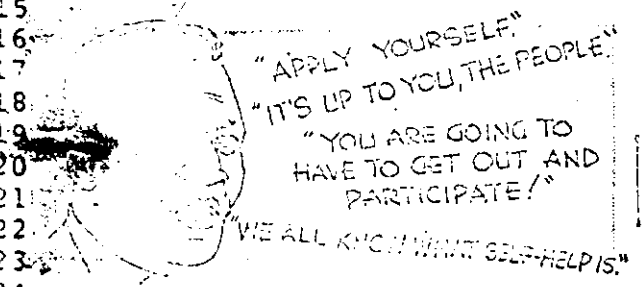
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Simple Program

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It's very simple that here is an organization which is going to help each and every one of you, if you are interested in helping yourself.

NOW WE HAVE various organizations around the country. We have the Nationalists. They say that we have to develop a separate economy and that the man, Whitey,



"APPLY YOURSELF!"
"IT'S UP TO YOU, THE PEOPLE!"
"YOU ARE GOING TO HAVE TO GET OUT AND PARTICIPATE!"
"WE ALL KNOW WE WANT SELF-HELP IS."

He cannot be trusted; that there is not one white man that is good. This is not true. Forget that. It is completely false.

We have another element that says passive resistance. Now you think about that. And in your own mind, what you think about passive resistance. This is not going to work.

Walk Tall

Now there are some of us who say there is another way. There is a way that you can walk tall. You can apply certain principles to better your lot in this country. You can tell me that yes, you are discriminated against; there are certain ones of you that want to do something and are trying to do something. You can apply yourself. You can endeavor to better your lot. The only thing you have to do is do what so many other minority and ethnic groups have done in the past history of this country. It's not very hard.

We are talking about economic betterment. You know what it brings about? You know what dignity is? You know what pride is? You know what respect is? These are things we are talking about. And you start with respect: because in this organization, we believe that respect is the keynote to everything. You have to be respected, or you're really not going to be loved.

NOW WE HAVE a program here tonight and—I'll be very truthful with you—there were moments when I was very proud, and there were moments that were very sad. And I think all of you felt that way throughout this night. I know the tremendous amount of work that a handful of people had to go through to put on this affair.

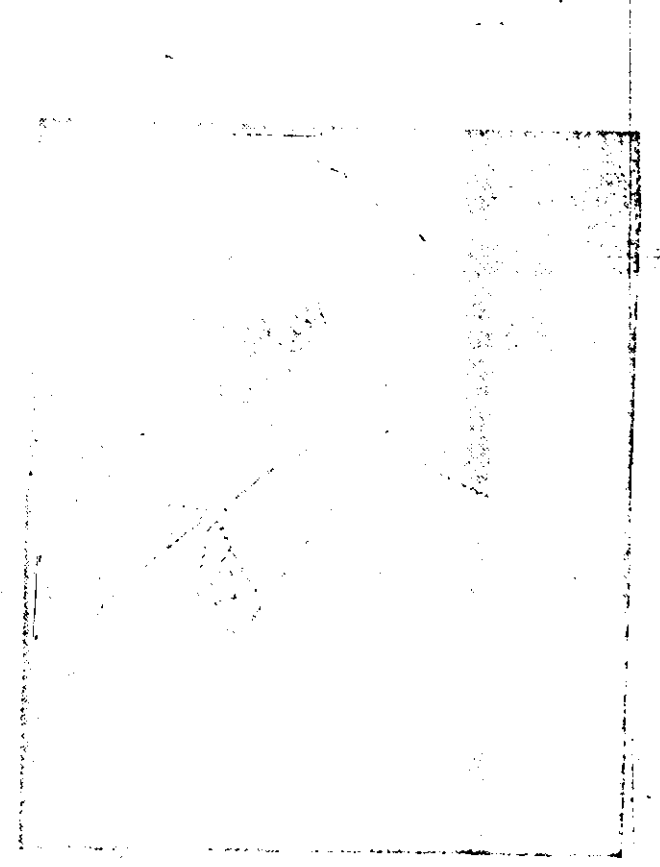
This made me proud, because I know just how much they had to go through. It didn't make me feel very proud when I know that we are going to have a showcase here tonight, and I know that all the newspaper men, and all the news media people, would be here, and we could not run straight through like true professionals. But it points up one thing: There is a need for application. There is a need for dedication to work. We can't blame the other man for a lot of our inadequacies. We have to blame ourselves a great deal. Because every time you get a chance to do something, do it first class, and when you get a chance to compete, brother you had better do that. Because when you are talking about freedom, you're talking about competing.

Solid Foundation

We have built what we feel is a very solid foundation with N.I.E.U., putting our emphasis on dedicated personnel. We have an organization that has a philosophy that all of you believe in. There is no doubt—black, white, bigot, liberal—whatever you be. You have to believe in the philosophy in free enterprise, because that is what the country was built upon.

Now, the N.I.E.U. is endeavoring to establish three or four fine programs which will be brought to light within the next month or so. These programs are designed to better the people in the ghetto, basically, the black people because the ghetto is made of basically the black people.

NOW, WE'RE going to need a lot of help; we're going to need a tremendous amount of help. We're going to need the participation of all of you who came out here tonight. We're going to need you to go into that office and find out



Jim Brown

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5 what's going on—not to sit back and say, "What are
6 they doing over there on Euclid?" not to sit back and say,
7 "Well, they have a lot of football players in there and they
8 have some people that we're not too sure of." But get out
9 and take a walk, go into that office (Euclid Ave. at E. 105),
10 and see what's going on.

11 I have traveled all over the country, and whenever I
12 have had a chance to talk with an individual personally,
13 he never disagrees with the philosophy of economic better-
14 ment or self-help. He always agrees. But we know, and
15 every one of you out there know, there is a tendency
16 always to let someone else do the work. Believe me, there
17 has to be a change in this.

17 Philosophy to Survive

18 Now, I'm not going to ramble around too much longer.
19 I'm going to make a few, very brief statements about what
20 we're proposing with the N.I.E.U. and what is going to hap-
21 pen. First of all, this is an organization founded by young
22 people; not in age, but in mind and in thinking. It is an
23 organization that believes that we should have black lead-
24 ership—and we have black leadership.

24 It is an organization that feels that it needs all people
25 and we have solicited the help of all people. It is an organ-
26 ization that we feel should be very tight and within the
27 bounds of the law. We are an organization that is tight and
28 within the bounds of the law. We are an organization that
29 is not interested in guerrilla warfare, nor are we interested
30 in feel-ins, swim-ins, pray-ins, or anything like that. We
31 are an organization that is going to survive, because we
32 have the idea, we have the philosophy that the country was
33 built on.

32 We have a long way to come a long way. We have a long way to
33 go. The direction we're headed in now is that we have a
34 youth program. We have a program designed basically in
35 this town for the Glenville and the Hough areas, because
36 as you know we had disorder in the streets and there were
37 outbreaks of disorder two months ago. We feel there is a
38 definite need for recognition and respect in these areas;
39 we want to have our people work in these areas, and we
40 are right now talking to the people at The Cleveland Foun-
41 dation hoping that we might be funded for this particular
42 project.

42 We will be participating in a project in Washington,
43 D. C., which will be one of the largest urban renewal proj-
44 ects in this country; basically led by Negroes. We are
45 now starting a survey which will be based on truth; we're
46 going into the ghettos with a series of questions to find
47 out just what the people think. There have been a lot of
48 surveys that really have not represented the thinking of
49 the people. We have one that, as we might say, will tell
50 it like it is.

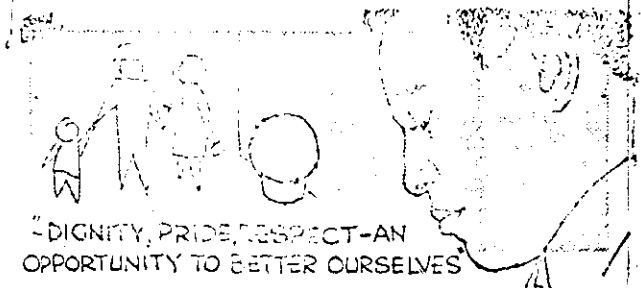
50 These are just a few of things that we are going into,
51 and we are saying to every last one of you: we're not go-
52 ing to talk about black power, because somehow it's just
53 a phrase that hangs out—a good rallying cry. There is no
54 real sentiment of black power. There is no one who gives
55 it some definition. The press has taken it and twisted it
56 into something that is sensational, but nothing else. It has
57 been a crutch for a lot of people who did not have a pro-
58 gram.

Green Power

So what we are saying to you is that you understand
what green power is, you understand that. You know what
it means to be able to feed your family. You know what
it means to have a job so that you can have some dignity
and some pride that you are providing for yourself. You
know what it is to be educated. You know what it is to
have certain luxuries. You know what it is to be able to
accomplish something and feel the admiration of other
people. You know what these things are.

Within the power of each one of you, you will be able
to feel all of these things in a greater way IF you adopt
the philosophy that we are trying to put over to you. Now
when you talk about green power it sounds very commer-
cial. But it's not, because you are in the Number One
country in the world. This is the Number One country in
the world. This country has tremendous power, this country
has a tremendous history. We can talk about going back
to Africa, or we can talk about the freedom in some of the
European cities and countries; but, believe me, you have
the highest standard of living of any country in the world.

NOW, WHAT I'm saying to you in closing, is that we
all have an opportunity to better ourselves. We all have
the opportunity, believe it or not, to go on to much, much
greater heights. We cannot be lazy, we cannot sit back
and let someone else do it for you. We can't say "well,
that's Jim Brown's organization, let him do it, we'll see if



he is going to succeed, or if he is going to fail." You can't
say, "well, let John Brown put the program on because
he has money and he can do it." You are going to have to
get out and participate.

Really, I'm very tired of hearing all of our problems
blamed on the other man. We know about discrimination,
we know about all of the hardships that our people have
gone through. We know about the 'castration' of the black
male. We know about the strength of the Negro woman
because the mother became an image in the house. We
know that our black women have been taken advantage
of throughout history. We know that we do not get the big
part of the stick. But we also know that we don't take ad-
vantage of the opportunities that we do have.

Cross Section

You have here tonight many members of the organ-
ization—a tremendous cross-section of your community.
These people will be working from day to day. Ninety-
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ter themselves because the only way they could donate

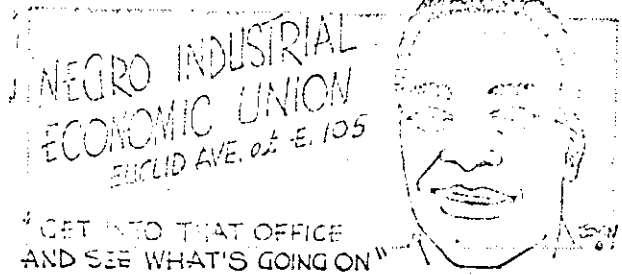
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their time is that they are making enough money to go their own ways. Keep that in mind.

Keep it in mind that the Negro Industrial & Economic your courage. It sort of lets you take a look at yourself Wooten's organization. It does not belong to Arnold Pinkney; it belongs to the people, because the philosophy belongs to the people, and it is up to you, the people, to take full advantage of this organization because all we're offering you is every bit of talent and energy that we have, and if you can't take advantage of that then don't let me hear you cry about what the white man is doing to you.

Test of Courage

It would have been very nice if we had had a full house tonight. I would have been a very nice thing. But somehow, when things like this happen, they sort of test



your courage. It sort of lets you take a look at yourself and see where you're really at. It lets you look at yourself and say, "well, am I going to fold up? Am I going to get discouraged?" "Or what am I going to do?"

WELL MOST of you know my history. You know that I've probably been involved in almost everything there is to be involved in. You probably know that I've been fighting ever since I was a little boy. And when I leave here tonight, I'm not going to think that we didn't have 12,000 people—I'm going to think that we had all you people. I'm going to think that when I leave here that all of you are going to dedicate yourselves to self-help and betterment. And I'm going to go down to Jamaica to finish a movie and make a little more money, and I'm going to come back here and dedicate myself all over again. And we're going to win. Thank you very much.

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