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1 - Mr. Sullivan

TO: SAC, INDIANAPOLIS

FROM: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-1025)

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o BAPBOMB.

BUREAU IN RECEIPT OF ANONYMOUS TYPEWRITTEN LETTER
POSTMARKED SOUTH BEND, INDIANA, SEPTEMBER THIRTY, ONE
NINE SIXTYTHREE, SIGNED QUOTE A NEGRO COMMUNIST UNQUOTE.
WRITER INDICATES BOMBING OF NEGRO CHURCH BIRMINGHAM PLANNED
AND EXECUTED BY NEGRO AND WHITE QUOTE COMUNIONISTS UNQUOTE.
WRITER CLAIMS THAT HE IS A QUOTE COMMUNIST UNQUOTE AND
WAS IN ON THE PLANS. HE ALSO INDICATES HE IS MEMBER OF
CORE. *B*

INDIANAPOLIS REPORT OF SA [REDACTED] JULY FIVE,
ONE NINE SIXTYTHREE, CAPTIONED COMMUNIST PARTY DASH
USA, INDIANA DISTRICT, INDIANAPOLIS DIVISION, IS DASH C,
INDICATES THAT SOUTH BEND DASH ELKHART AREA HAS TWENTY
ONE MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY IN THE AREA AND [REDACTED]

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- Belmont _____
- Mohr _____
- Casper _____
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VIA TELETYPE
OCT 3 1963
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TELETYPE TO SAC, INDIANAPOLIS
RE: BAPBOMB

REPORT INDICATES INDIANA COMMUNIST PARTY HAS SEVEN
NEGRO MALE AND SIX NEGRO FEMALE MEMBERS. INDIANAPOLIS
IMMEDIATELY CONTACT INFORMANTS FOR INFORMATION BEARING
ON ANONYMOUS LETTER WRITER AND HIS COMMENTS. IN ABSENCE
OF ANY POSITIVE INFORMATION FROM INFORMANTS, BUREAU
AUTHORITY HEREBY GIVEN TO INTERVIEW ALL NEGRO MEMBERS
IN INDIANA COMMUNIST PARTY FOR INFORMATION, IF NECESSARY
TO RESOLVE THIS MATTER.
SUTEL BUREAU RESULTS OF INFORMANT CONTACTS AND IF
INTERVIEWS OF MEMBERS WILL BE NECESSARY. BIRMINGHAM
ADVISED BY AIRMAIL.

NOTE: The statistics concerning the number of Communist
Party members in Indiana were obtained from the latest report
submitted by that office. The interviews of Communist Party
members has been discussed with the Domestic Intelligence
Division and they have no objections to these interviews.

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10-10-63

AIRTEL

To: SAC, Birmingham (157-352)

From: Director, FBI (157-1025)

HAPBOMB

Rerep of SA [REDACTED] 10-4-63.

This report has been reviewed and the following leads are suggested in the event they have not already been covered. The leads are set forth by page number.

Page B [REDACTED]

It should be noted that suspect [REDACTED] owns a white over blue Chevrolet. In addition [REDACTED] owns a 1963 white over blue Chevrolet. Consideration should be given that these may be the cars involved in the Gaston Motel bombing.

Page 26 [REDACTED]

Page 135 [REDACTED]

Photographs of [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] cars should be exhibited to her.

Page 173 [REDACTED]

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Page 174 [REDACTED] should be reinterviewed to determine if she has any additional information.

Page 213 Photographs of logical suspects should be shown to two white men who [REDACTED] to see if any of them resemble the [REDACTED]

Page 234 Efforts should be made to identify the Negro boy who works at the [REDACTED]

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Page 236 [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

There is a possibility that since no timing device or fuse was found at the bombing scene that a chemical agent could have been used and the bomb may have been planted as early as 9-2-63. In this regard it should be ascertained from people at the church if the area back under the stairs was observed or cleaned out from the period 9-2-63 to the date of the bombing.

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Page 249 [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] should be looked into as far as the evening of 9-2-63 is concerned.

Page 261 Efforts should be made to locate and interview [REDACTED] since he was in the telephone booth across from the church at the time of the explosion.

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Page 280 [REDACTED]

Page 295 Voice recordings of various suspects in this case should be obtained by pretext interviews over the telephone in order that [REDACTED] and other logical persons who have received bomb threats may listen to them.

Page 365 Interview [REDACTED] brother-in-law of [REDACTED]

Page 364-367 Why is [REDACTED] denying that he owns a [REDACTED]

Page 368 Interview [REDACTED] brother-in-law of [REDACTED]

Page 391 Efforts should be made to locate and interview brother-in-law of [REDACTED] who wanted to know how to make bombs.

Page 392 Interview [REDACTED] employed at the [REDACTED]

Page 493 The owner of the blue Plymouth station wagon Alabama license [REDACTED] should be identified and interviewed. He visited [REDACTED] on September 13, 1963.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
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COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

OCT 4 - 1963

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

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URGENT 10-4-63 8-30 PM EST PP
TO DIRECTOR FBI, AND SAC, BIRMINGHAM /157-352/
FROM SAC, SAVANNAH /157-503/ 1P

BAPBOMB

BM.

RESVTEL OCT. THREE LAST.

EIGHT ADDITIONAL KLANSMEN INTERVIEWED THIS DATE AND NO
INFORMATION DEVELOPED CONCERNING POSSIBLE SUSPECTS IN CAPTIONED
CASE.

APPROXIMATELY EIGHTEEN KLANSMEN REMAIN TO BE CONTACTED IN
CONNECTION WITH THIS PROGRAM IN SV DIVISION.

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WA 9-30 PM OK FBI WA WS

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*retelegram to SAC, SV
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10/7/63

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RADIOGRAM

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If no contact today, send by urgent tel plain text.

TO SAC, SAVANNAH (157-503)
FROM DIRECTOR, FBI (157-1025)-404

REC-115

BAPBOMB

RESVTEL OCTOBER FOUR LAST INDICATING APPROXIMATELY EIGHTEEN
KLANSMEN REMAIN TO BE CONTACTED. YOUR ATTENTION IS DIRECTED TO
INSTRUCTIONS SET FORTH IN BUTEL NINE TWENTY-ONE SIXTY-THREE.
IT APPEARS INTERVIEWS WITH KLANSMEN ARE NOT BEING CONDUCTED WITH
THE REQUIRED PREFERRED ATTENTION, IT BEING NOTED THIS CASE IS
OF PRIME IMPORTANCE AND OF NATIONWIDE INTEREST. FURNISH
EXPLANATION AS TO WHY SUCH AN EXTENDED PERIOD IS NECESSARY FOR
COMPLETION. INTERVIEWS WITH KLANSMEN REGARDED AS PARTICULARLY
PERTINENT AND THIS PHASE OF INVESTIGATION IN THE SAVANNAH DIVISION
MUST BE IMMEDIATELY RESOLVED. BIRMINGHAM ADVISED BY MAIL.

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1 - BIRMINGHAM (157-352)

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NOTE: Savannah by tel 9/21/63 was instructed that sufficient personnel should be assigned to complete interviews with Klansmen if possible/on a priority basis. In view of the fact that current suspects have Klan connections in the Birmingham area, radiogram can be utilized to insure this phase of investigation being expedited by Savannah.

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VIA RADIOGRAM
OCT 7 1963
3:30 PM

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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

OCT 7 1963

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MAIL ROOM TELETYPE UNIT

FBI

Date: 10-2-63

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Via AIRTEL _____
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- Mr. Tolson
- Mr. Belmont
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- Mr. Callahan
- Mr. Conrad
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- Mr. Evans
- Mr. Gale
- Mr. Rosen
- Mr. Sullivan
- Mr. Tavel
- Mr. Trotter
- Tele. Room
- Miss Holmes
- Miss Gandy

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, BIRMINGHAM (157-352)

RE: BAPBOMB

The following article appeared in the editorial column of "The Birmingham News" on the evening of October 1, 1963:

"UNKIND CUT

" We do not understand motivation of an editorial in 'The Andalusia Star-News,' a splendid weekly in South Alabama usually with balanced, if often acid, comment.

" Last week the paper referred to Birmingham's difficulties, church bombing, and police and FBI work toward uncovering the criminals. Said the 'Star-News' '... it is certainly very apparent that the investigative arms of the peace officers, that are commanded by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, are accomplishing nothing.'

" More: 'Every day that goes by, without some arrests in Birmingham by the federal agents, casts a heavy shadow of doubt about the efficiency of the FBI ...

- 3 - Bureau (AM)
- 1 - Mobile (info.) - AM
- 4 - Birmingham
- 2 - 157-352
- 1 - 66-1870
- 1 - 80-173 ("The Birmingham News")

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CORRESPONDENCE

Approved: _____
Special Agent in Charge

Sent _____ M Per _____

Stamp: 157-1025-405

BH 157-352

The KENNEDY men have taken over in Birmingham, with local and state authorities having a minimum of jurisdiction.'

" These statements are patently false or misleading and they malign not only dedicated FBI agents but the community of Birmingham. No one has 'taken over' this city.

" We regret dissemination of such information about our city in any area of this state."

It is obvious that "The Birmingham News," in this instance, rallied to our defense and in language which is probably as strong as any newspaper normally sees fit to use for comment with respect to another newspaper, particularly in the same state. "The Birmingham News" endeavored to set the record straight.



yes It is my recommendation that the Director immediately send Mr. TOWNSEND a letter thanking him for his comments in the editorial.

A copy of this letter is designated for Mobile for information as "The Andalusia Star-News" is located within the Mobile Division.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (157-1025)

FROM : *D/C* SAC, MOBILE (157-416)(P)

SUBJECT: C BAPBOMB

DATE: 10/8/63

U Reference is made to Birmingham airtel of 9/28/63 concerning reporting procedures in this case.

62c Mobile has 15 persons on the bombing suspect list. Immediately after notice of instant bombing on 9/15/63, investigation was conducted to determine their whereabouts. Thirteen of the suspects were eliminated through personal observation, neighborhood sources, and racial informants. The other two bombing suspects, [REDACTED] of Mobile, and [REDACTED] of Montgomery, were not completely eliminated through this investigation.

62c A pretext telephone call to [REDACTED]

62c, D [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] car was observed in the driveway of his home on the afternoon of 9/15/63, and a pretext call to [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Inasmuch as the investigation concerning these bombing suspects was negative, the information is not being set forth in report form, but is recorded in Mobile files.

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 - 2 - Mobile
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MO 157-416

Racial informants and potential racial informants of the Mobile Office were contacted on 9/15/63, but could furnish no information concerning instant bombing. They were alerted to immediately report any information they may obtain in the future pertinent to this matter.

Interviews conducted with the persons on the Mobile bombing suspect list and members of Klan and hate type organizations, including former Klansmen, have been conducted, but no information of value to this case was developed through these interviews. In accordance with the suggestions of the Birmingham Office, the original FD-302s for these interviews are being maintained in Mobile file with copies of FD-302s in the individual case files of the persons interviewed, where such files exist. As the interviews were negative in results, the FD-302s are not being included in report being submitted by Mobile.

The persons in the above-mentioned categories who were interviewed by the Mobile Office negatively are identified below for the information of the Bureau and Birmingham:

MOBILE, ALABAMA

- 62019
1. [REDACTED]
 2. [REDACTED]
 3. [REDACTED]
 4. [REDACTED]
 5. [REDACTED]

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24. [REDACTED]

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27. [REDACTED]

28. [REDACTED]

29. [REDACTED]

30. [REDACTED]

31. [REDACTED]

32. [REDACTED]

33. [REDACTED]

34. [REDACTED]

35. [REDACTED]

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Numerous leads have been received from the Birmingham Office to identify automobile license numbers. These leads are covered promptly and submitted to Birmingham by separate communication, and this data is not being included in the report being submitted by Mobile.

MO 157-416

It was felt that the names of persons on the bombing suspect list and Klan and hate group members in Mobile and Montgomery should be checked against

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[REDACTED]

By airtel dated 9/19/63, the names of the persons to be checked from Mobile and Montgomery was submitted to the Bureau, Atlanta and Birmingham, with a request that Atlanta contact [REDACTED] in Atlanta to check [REDACTED] to determine if these persons were listed. Report of other investigation by Mobile is being submitted in report form.

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OCT 9 - 1963

TELETYPE

Mr. Tolson	
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Mr. Casper	
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Mr. Conrad	
Mr. DeLoach	
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Mr. Gale	
Mr. Rosen	
Mr. Sullivan	
Mr. Tavel	
Mr. Trotter	
Mr. Tele. Room	
Miss Holmes	
Miss Gandy	

U R G E N T 10-8-63 11-40 PM CST JP

TO DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM SAC, BIRMINGHAM /157-352/ 10P

BAPBOMB, ET AL. DAILY SUMMARY.

CHAMBLISS GROUP.

CHARLES CAGLE TRIED RECORDERS COURT, BIRMINGHAM, BEFORE JUDGE J. EARL LANGER. CAGLE ENTERED PLEA OF NOT GUILTY THROUGH HIS ATTORNEY MATT H. MURPHY, JR. CITY PROSECUTOR WILLIAM THOMPSON. DURING TRIAL SIGNED STATEMENT TAKEN FROM CAGLE BY AHP INVESTIGATOR CAPTAIN ROY GOODWIN READ IN OPEN COURT. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] CAGLE TOLD STATE INVESTIGATOR THAT AFTER DYNAMITE PLACED IN FIELD BY HALL AND CAGLE IT WAS REMOVED BY LEVIE SIDNEY YARBROUGH AND TAKEN TO YARBROUGH-S HOME WHERE HIDDEN UNTIL HE WAS RECONTACTED BY CAGLE AT LATER DATE AND THEN WAS REPLACED IN FIELD. TWO OTHER WITNESSES TOOK STAND, FIRE MARSHAL KELLY WHO TESTIFIED THAT NEITHER HALL, CAGLE NOR CHAMBLISS HAD PERMIT FOR POSSESSION OF DYNAMITE IN BIRMINGHAM CITY LIMITS, COL. AL J. LINGO WHO TESTIFIED AS TO LENGTH OF TIME SUBJECTS HELD IN CUSTODY. CAGLE FOUND GUILTY BY JUDGE AND SENTENCED TO PAY ONE HUNDRED DOLLAR FINE PLUS

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OCT 18 1963

Rosen & Belmont
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COSTS AND SIX MONTHS AT HARD LABOR. NOTICE OF APPEAL GIVEN.

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b/c, DIF

NOI.

TEN MEMBERS INTERVIEWED TODAY. DESCRIPTIONS, BACKGROUND, ALIBIS OBTAINED. NONE ADMITTED HAVING KNOWLEDGE OF BOMBINGS.

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PAGE SIX

MISCELLANEOUS

AT ELEVEN TWENTYFIVE A.M. CST, OCT. EIGHT,
SAC RAY L. FAISST RECEIVED TELEPHONE CALL FROM [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] INQUIRED AS TO WHETHER THEY COULD
GET TOGETHER SOMEWHERE OUTSIDE OF THE OFFICE. SAC
FAISST ADVISED [REDACTED] THAT WE HAD BEEN WORKING WITH
OTHER AGENCIES, THAT IT DID NOT APPEAR FEASIBLE TO
HAVE AND CLANDESTINE MEETINGS WITH ANYONE, AND THAT
THE DEALINGS OF THIS OFFICE WERE OPEN AND ABOVE BOARD,
AND THAT IF [REDACTED] DESIRED TO HAVE A MEETING HE
SHOULD FEEL FREE TO DROP BY THE FBI OFFICE ON THE
FOURTEENTH FLOOR OF THE TWENTYONE TWENTYONE BLDG.

[REDACTED] STATED HE FELT IT WOULD BE DETRIMENTAL TO
THE CASE IF HE WERE OBSERVED BY ANYONE IN THE
FBI OFFICE. HE WAS TOLD THAT SAC FAISST DID NOT CONCUR
WITH THAT OBSERVATION. HE WAS ALSO TOLD THAT THIS
OFFICE ENCOUNTERED THE SAME DIFFICULTY AS THE POLICE
AND SO IN ENDEAVORING TO GET IN TOUCH WITH HIM
THE NIGHT THE ALA. HIGHWAY PATROL PICKED UP A NUMBER OF
END PAGE SIX

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SUSPECTS, AND THAT EACH TIME AN INQUIRY WAS MADE
THE REPLY CAME BACK THAT [REDACTED] WAS UNAVAILABLE.

[REDACTED] STATED THAT HE WAS UNAVAILABLE
BECAUSE HE WAS BUSY AND SAID QUOTE I HAVE NO APOLOGY
TO MAKE CONCERNING ANY OF MY ACTIONS UNQUOTE. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WAS REMENDED THAT HE INJECTED THE WORD QUOTE
APOLOGY UNQUOTE INTO THE CONVERSATION AS ONE HAD NOT
BEEN REQUESTED, AND [REDACTED] AGREED THAT THIS WAS TRUE.

[REDACTED] STATED HE DID NOT ADVISE THIS OFFICE OF THE
IDENTITY OF SUSPECTS HE HAD PICKED UP
BECAUSE HE HAD NOT BEEN INFORMED OF THOSE IN WHICH
HE HAD AN INTEREST, AND THE ONLY WAY HE FOUND OUT
ABOUT ANY INTEREST WE HAD WAS FROM THE SUSPECTS
THEMSELVES. HE WAS INFORMED THAT IT HAS ALWAYS
BEEN THE IRON CLAD POLICY OF THE FBI TO COOPERATE
ONE HUNDRED PERCENT WITH AGENCIES THAT COOPERATE
WITH US, BUT QUITE FRANKLY IN THIS PARTICULAR CASE
WE COULD NOT AFFORD TO BE IDENTIFIED WITH ANY JOINT
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OPERATION THAT INVOLVED PARTICIPATION OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, AND IT WAS A KNOWN FACT AMONG NEWS MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES THAT THERE WERE KLANSMEN PRESENT OR ASSOCIATED WITH THE OPERATION AT AHP HQS. THE NIGHT THE PICKUPS TOOK PLACE.

[REDACTED] STATED THAT IT WAS TRUE THAT BOB SHELTON, THE IMPERIAL WIZARD OF THE UNITED KLANS OF AMERICA, WAS PRESENT AT THE AHP OFFICE ON THAT EVENING, BUT THAT HE, [REDACTED] WAS VERY MUCH SURPRISED TO SEE SHELTON THERE, AND HE ORDERED SHELTON OFF THE PREMISES. 420

THE ENTIRE CONVERSATION TOOK PLACE IN NORMAL, FRIENDLY, BUSINESSLIKE TONES, BUT AFTER [REDACTED] REALIZED THAT OUR POSITION IN THIS MATTER WAS FIM, HE TERMINATED THE CONVERSAITION, BUT INDICATED THAT HE WOULD BE AROUND THE CITY HALL THE REMAINDER OF THE DAY, AND MADE NO FURTHER INQUIRY CONCERNING A POSSIBLE CONTACT WITH THIS OFFICE.

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[REDACTED]

EIGHTYTWO INTERVIEWS CONDUCTED TODAY. FOUR HUNDRED
EIGHTY NINE REMAINING. ONE PCI PAREN RAC END PAREN OPENED.

END ACK

WA RTRR CORRECTION LINE TEN PAGE TEN LAST WORD SHD BE [REDACTED]

END AND ACK PLS

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A 2-12 AM OK FBI WA HFLJ

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UNITED STATES GOV

Memorandum

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TO : Mr. Belmont *AB*

DATE: 10-8-63

FROM : A. Rosen *R*

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS;
BOMBING OF SIXTEENTH STREET
BAPTIST CHURCH,
BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA, 9-15-63
BOMBING MATTERS

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Sullivan
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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

On 10-7-63 while Agents were interviewing [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] appeared at the [REDACTED] and began to examine the Bureau car parked in front. Agents asked for his identification and he claimed he was a taxpayer and as such had the right to examine government property.

He was told in no uncertain terms he could not and was made to identify himself. He had no selective service card and he was told to report to FBI Headquarters in Birmingham within 24 hours as he could not substantiate the birthdate or his identification and appeared youthful.

- 1 - Mr. Mohr
 - 1 - Mr. DeLoach
 - 1 - Mr. Evans
 - 1 - Mr. Sullivan
- RBL:pab
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10 OCT 10 1963

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Memorandum to Mr. Belmont
Re: UNSUBS; BOMBING OF SIXTEENTH
STREET BAPTIST CHURCH

[REDACTED]

61-509

The Birmingham Office as part of its investigation into possible Nation of Islam (NOI) people being involved in the bombing has been contacting

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Efforts are being made to contact girl friends of Klan members who are associates of [REDACTED]. Some have already been contacted without pertinent information being developed.

[REDACTED]

A meeting of the Alabama Christian Movement for Human Rights was held on 10-7-63 at St. James Baptist Church, Birmingham. Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr. made a statement that bigger than ever demonstrations would take place in Birmingham if conditions which led to the church bombing are not rectified.

ACTION:

You will be kept advised of pertinent developments.

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FBI

Date: 10/9/63

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

Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL
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TO: D DIRECTOR, FBI (157-1025)
FROM: SAC, BUFFALO (157-148)(RUC)
SUBJECT: BAPBOMB

Re BH airtels 9/18,24,29/63.

Racial informants and sources of Buffalo Office
have no information concerning captioned matter.

Handwritten initials

- 3 - Bureau (AM)
- 1 - Birmingham (157-352)
- 1 - Buffalo

[Redacted]

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C. G. Wick

Handwritten signature

Approved: _____ Sent _____ M Per _____

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Special Agent in Charge

59 OCT 18 1963

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ROBERT W. CHAMBLISS

JOHN WESLEY HALL AND ROBERT E. CHAMBLISS ENTERED NOT GUILTY PLEAS TODAY IN BIRMINGHAM RECORDERS COURT AND AFTER TESTIMONY BY STATE INVESTIGATORS WERE FOUND GUILTY ON CHARGES OF POSSESSION, TRANSPORTING AND AIDING AND ABETTING IN THE POSSESSION OF AND TRANSPORTING DYNAMITE IN THE CITY LIMITS OF BIRMINGHAM. BOTH MEN WERE FINED ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS PLUS COSTS OF COURT AND SENTENCED TO SIX MONTHS HARD LABOR. BOTH MEN THROUGHT THEIR ATTORNEYS HAVE ENTERED AN APPEAL AND ARE OUT ON BOND. NO DYNAMITE PRESENTED BY STATE AS EVIDENCE BUT MAJOR BILL JONES, AHP, TESTIFIED AS TO FINDING IT. INVESTIGATOR W. R. POSEY TESTIFIED HE WENT TO CHAMBLISS HOME ON SEPTEMBER TWENTYNINE ACCOMPANIED BY OTHER UNIDENTIFIED STATE OFFICERS AND DON LUNA, WHOM HE DESCRIBED AS AN INSURANCE MAN WHO WENT INTO CHAMBLISS HOME WITH HIM, WHILE OTHERS STAYED IN CAR. NOTED IN THE COURTROOM WERE MILTON HARGIS, DON LUNA, GENE REEVES, ROBERT THOMAS, W. A. MORGAN, AND ROBERT SHELTON.

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FIVE ADDITIONAL MEMBERS INTERVIEWS TODAY. NOTHING
PERTINENTLY DEVELOPED.

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PHYSICAL SURVEILLANCE REVEALED [REDACTED] ARRIVED HOME ABOUT ONE FORTYFIVE. AFTER SHORT CONVERSATION WITH FATHER CONCERNING [REDACTED] THEY WENT FOR A DRIVE. RETURNED ABOUT SIX THIRTY AND IMMEDIATELY LEFT AGAIN.

MISCELLANEOUS.

SEVERAL OTHER NEIGHBORS IN VICINITY OF BOMBED CHURCH AS WELL AS CHURCH MEMBERS AND CAR OWNERS IN THE VICINITY INTERVIEWED. NOTHING PERTINENT DEVELOPED.

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EIGHTYONE INTERVIEWS TODAY. THREE HUNDRED NINETY
ONE PENDING. THREE PCI PAREN RAC END PAREN FILES OPENED.

END ACK

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C.

To: **FBI, Indianapolis (157-93)**

Date: **October 8, 1963**

re: **BAPBOMB**

J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No. **157-1025**
Lab. No. **D-432785 IK**
D-432755 IK

Examination requested by: **Bureau, Indianapolis**
Reference: **Bureau, Indianapolis**
Examination requested: **Bureau teletype to Indianapolis dated 10/3/63**
Airtel dated 10/4/63
Remarks: **Document - Fingerprint**

The results of the latent fingerprint examination of specimens Q11 and Q12 will be furnished by separate report.

In compliance with your teletype dated 10/4/63, photographs of specimens Q11 and Q12 are attached hereto for your investigative assistance.

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COMM-FBI

- Tolson _____
- Belmont _____
- Mohr _____
- Casper _____
- Callahan _____
- Conrad _____
- DeLoach _____
- Evans _____
- Gale _____
- Rosen _____
- Sullivan _____
- Tavel _____
- Trotter _____
- Tele. Room _____
- Holmes _____
- Gandy _____

Enclosures (9) through K26; photographs of Q11, Q12; 2 Lab report
1 - Birmingham Enclosure (Lab report)
1 - Mr. Lavin (room 2268) (sent direct)
WSO:gk (6)

ENCLOSURE ATTACHED

ADMINISTRATIVE PAGE

4 OCT MAIL ROOM TELETYPE UNIT

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REPORT
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C.

To: **FBI, Indianapolis (157-93)**

Date: **October 8, 1963**

Re: **RAPBOMB**

FBI File No. **157-1025**

Lab. No. **D-432785 IK**

D-432755 IK

Specimens received **10/7/63**

Specimens available in Bureau

- Q11 Envelope bearing typewritten address "J. Edgar Hoover Federal Bureau of Investigation Washington, D. C.," postmarked "SOUTH BEND, IND. SEP 30 1963 5-PM"**
- Q12 One-page typewritten letter beginning "Dear Sir; This is to..." ending "...Sincerley Yours A Negro Commuionist"**

Specimens received 10/7/63 from Indianapolis

- K22 One page of The Ripsaw, South Bend, Indiana, entitled "Brainwashing" typed by [REDACTED]**
- K23 Five-page issue of The Ripsaw, South Bend, Indiana, dated December-1957, typed by [REDACTED]**
- K24 Five-page report entitled "Plan "D" " prepared by [REDACTED]**
- K25 One sheet of paper entitled "Floridation is a RED HOAX," prepared by [REDACTED]**
- K26 One sheet of paper entitled "FLUORIDATION EXPOSED," prepared by [REDACTED]**

Result of examination:

Specimens Q11 and Q12 were determined to have been prepared on a typewriter equipped with Royal pica type, the letters of which are spaced ten to the inch.

- Tolson _____
- Belmont _____
- Mohr _____
- Casper _____
- Callahan _____
- Conrad _____
- DeLoach _____
- Evans _____
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- Holmes _____
- Gandy _____

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WSO: gk (6)

MAIL ROOM TELETYPE UNIT

Specimens Q11 and Q12 were searched through the appropriate section of the Anonymous Letter File without identifying them with any of the writings therein. A representative copy is not being added to the file at this time.

No indented writing, watermarks, or other data through which the source of specimens Q11 and Q12 might be determined were located on these documents.

It was determined that specimens Q11 and Q12 were not prepared on any of the typewriters used in the preparation of specimens K22 through K26.

Specimens K22 through K26 are returned herewith. Specimens Q11 and Q12 have been retained. Photographs were not made of specimens K22 through K26.

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NO LAB FILE

Laboratory Work Sheet

Re: **RAPBOMB**

File # **157-1025 413**
Lab. # **D-432785 IK**

L A T E N T

Examination requested by: **Bureau** (*Teletype to Indianapolis dated 10/3/63*)

Examination requested: **Document - Fingerprint** Date received: **10-7/63 4.**

Result of Examination: Examination by **[REDACTED]** 7/63
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- 1- Specimens Q11 & Q12 were det. to have been prepared on a TW equipped with Royal Pica type - 10 to inch.
- 2- No ident ALF - copy not added.
- 3- No indented writing, words or other data through which the source of spec Q11 & Q12 might be determined were located on these docs.
- 4- Spec Q11 & Q12 no ident K22-K26.
- 5- Return K22-K26 - Keep Q11 & Q12 - Photo were not made of K22-K26.

IFC In compliance with your Tel dated 10/4/63, photos of spec Q11 & Q12 are attached hereto for your investigative assistance. Available in Bureau. Specimens submitted for examination

Q11 Envelope bearing typewritten address "J. Edgar Hoover Federal Bureau of Investigation Washington, D. C.," postmarked "SOUTH BEND, IND. SEP 30 1963 5-PM"

One-page

Q12 /Typewritten letter beginning "Dear Sir: This is to ..." ending "...Sincerley Yours A Negro Communist"

① The result of a LFP exam of Q11 & Q12 will be furnished by a sep. report.

Q11 & Q12	K24	K25
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Lat 10-8-63
WSD

1 - Birmingham
1 - Mr. Lavin (Rm 2268) ext direct

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Laboratory Work Sheet

Re: **BAPBOMB**

File # **157-1025** 413
Lab. # **D-432755** IK

Examination requested by: **Indianapolis (157-93) Airtel 10-4-63**

Examination requested: **Document**

Date received: **10-7-63**

Result of Examination:

Examination by: [redacted] 10/7/63
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See D-432785-

Specimens submitted for examination

- K22 K5 One page of The Ripsaw, South Bend, Indiana, entitled "Brainwashing" typed by [redacted]
- K23 K6 Five-page #4 issue of The Ripsaw, South Bend, Indiana, dated December-1957, typed by [redacted]
- K24 K7 Five-page report entitled "Plan "D" " prepared by [redacted]
- K25 K8 One sheet of paper entitled "Floridation is a RED HOAX," prepared by [redacted]
- K26 K9 One sheet of paper entitled "FLUORIDATION EXPOSED," prepared by [redacted]

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Laboratory Work Sheet

Re: **BAPBOMB**


File # **157-1025 413**
Lab. # **D-432785 IK**

Examination requested by: **Bureau**

Examination requested: **Document**


Date received: **10-**

Result of Examination:

Examination by: 

Return Q11 & Q12 to Proc. Sect. - two

Q11 and Q12 to LFPS 9:00 AM 10/8/63

*Q11 & Q12 returned to  Proc Lab 10-9-63
LFPS answered separately JEB 10/9/63*

Specimens submitted for examination

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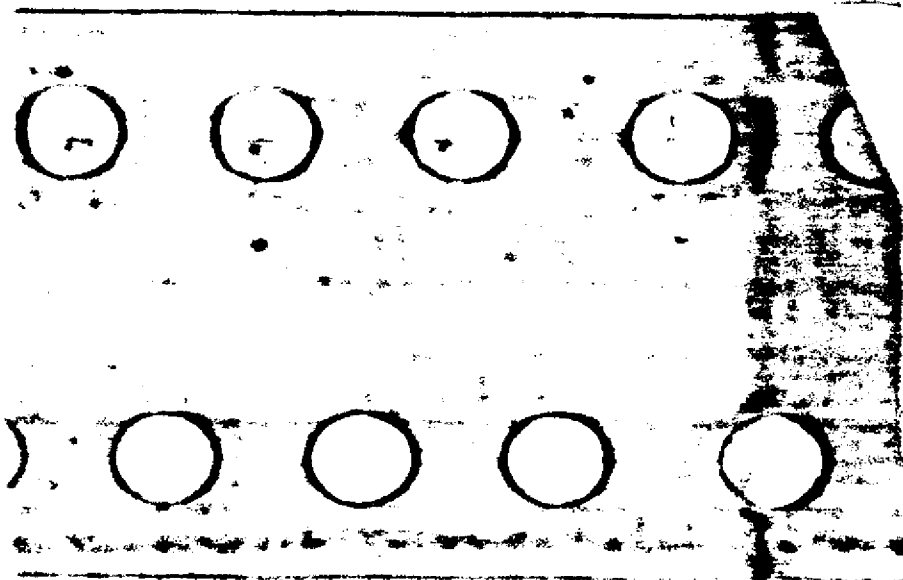
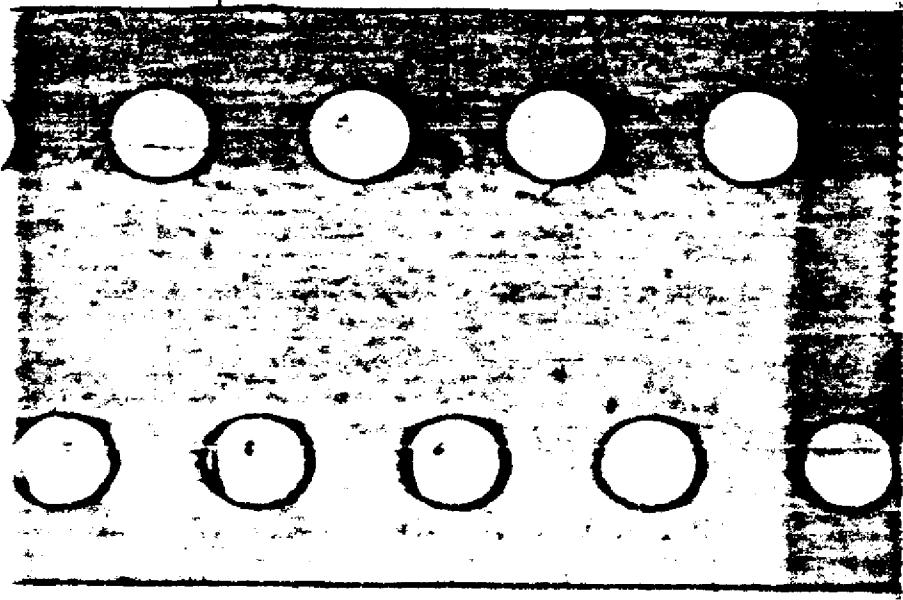
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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SOUTH BEND.
5-PM
SEP 30
1963
IND.

J. Edgar Hoover
Federal Beareau of Investigation
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

This is to let you know that the bombing of the Negro church in Birmingham was planned and executed by the Negro and White Communists which killed the 4 girls. Murder to these people does not mean a thing.

I am a communist and was in on the plans this was done in order to gain the sympathy of the whole world and this country, and especially the religious organisations for they are the most gullable.

Please put your best men on this and uncover this ingenious plot, and expose this scheme to the public before it is too late. Some of the other bombings in Birmingham is also being done by the Negroes themselves. Do not try to trace me for I would be killed tomorrow if fellow members found out that I was an informant. I am also a member of CORE which is composed of mostly Communists.

Sincerely Yours

A Negro Communist

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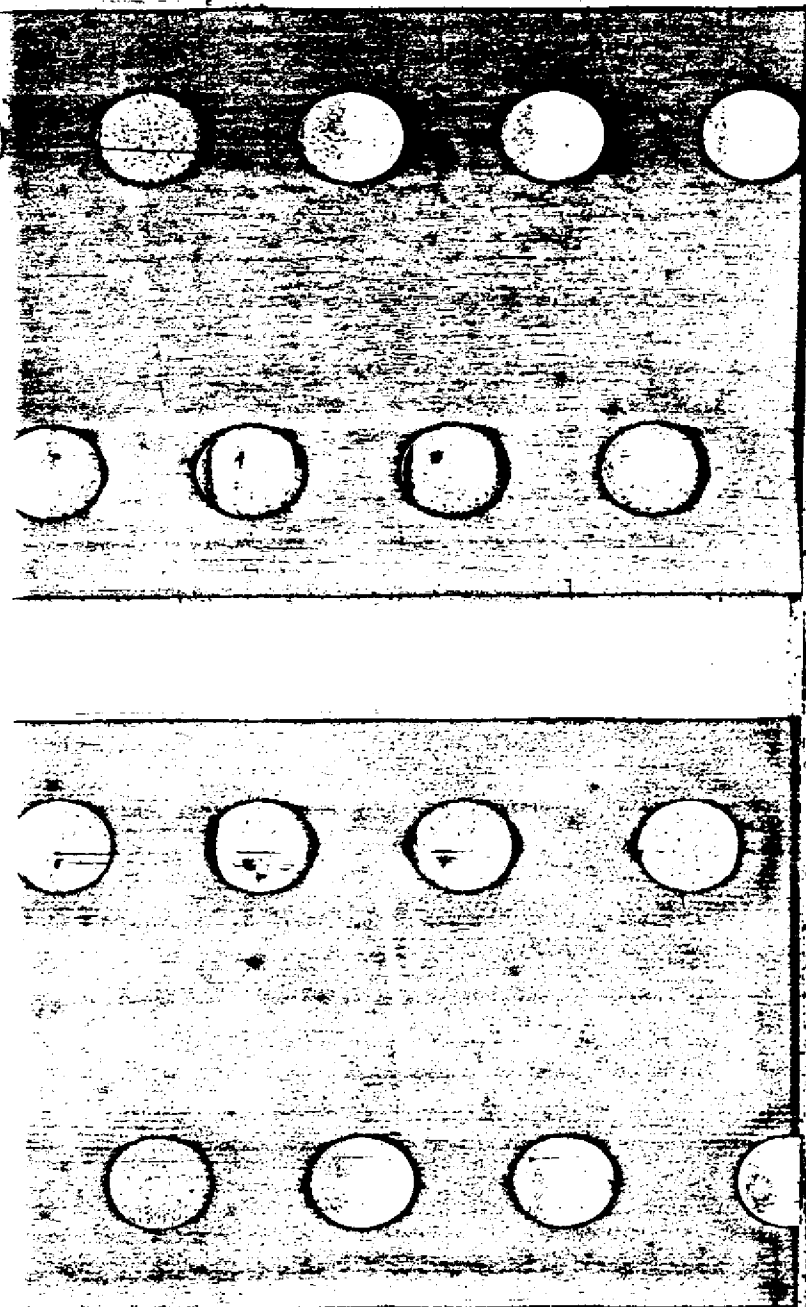
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Sincerley Yours

A Negro Commuionist

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SOUTH BEND
5-PM
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J. Edgar Hoover
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D.C.

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REPORTING OFFICE ATLANTA	OFFICE OF ORIGIN BIRMINGHAM	DATE 10/7/63	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 9/16/63 - 10/3/63
TITLE OF CASE UNKNOWN SUBJECTS; BOMBING OF THE SIXTEENTH STREET BAPTIST CHURCH, BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA, SEPTEMBER 15, 1963 <i>(177) L. M. B.</i>		REPORT MADE BY SA [REDACTED]	TYP :1
		CHARACTER OF CASE BOMBING MATTERS; RACIAL MATTERS	

REFERENCES:

Birmingham teletype and Bureau teletype dated 9/15/63.

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LEADS:

ATLANTA

AT ATLANTA, GEORGIA

Leads in this case have been set forth by separate airtel and will not be listed herein.

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APPROVED <i>[Signature]</i>	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE
COPIES MADE: ⑤ Bureau (157-1025) 3 - Birmingham (157-352) 2 - Atlanta (157-582)	

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REC. FAC. FC. ST. T. X. C.

1 cc Org Unit

DISSEMINATION RECORD OF ATTACHED REPORT

AGENCY	<i>Crim. Div.</i>
REQUEST RECD.	
DATE FWD.	<i>6/28/64</i>
HOW FWD.	<i>6-24 B.</i>
BY	<i>hit - hyd</i>

NOTATIONS

STATE SECT

EXP. PROC. BU

ADMINISTRATIVE:

This report contains only the interviews of the Klan and hate group subjects, and does not contain other investigation conducted by Atlanta. This investigation is being incorporated in separate teletypes and airtels and will be incorporated in subsequent report.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to:

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Report of:
Date:

SA [REDACTED]
October 7, 1963

Office: Atlanta, Georgia

Field Office File #:

157-582

Bureau File #: 157-1025

Title:

UNKNOWN SUBJECTS;
BOMBING OF THE SIXTEENTH
STREET BAPTIST CHURCH,
BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA,
SEPTEMBER 15, 1963

Character:

BOMBING MATTERS; RACIAL MATTERS

Synopsis:

Numerous officers and members of the Ku Klux Klan and other hate groups interviewed concerning bombing of the 16th Street Baptist Church, Birmingham, Alabama, on 9/15/63. Persons interviewed could furnish no information concerning the bombing with the exception of

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DETAILS:

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GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] wants to confer with Birmingham FBI as he is concerned about lack of cooperation.

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Recommend that if he wants to talk to FBI at Birmingham he can meet SACs Faisst and Roy Moore at Birmingham Office. No meeting outside of office is necessary on a clandestine basis. Moore and Faisst are ready to lay it on the line to [REDACTED] that State Police had Klan members riding in State Police cars, that they picked up various suspects and didn't tell FBI, Birmingham Police Department or Sheriff's office a thing about it, and when SAC Faisst tried to contact [REDACTED] he was unavailable; that no information given by him to FBI re arrest of Chambliss or Cagle; consequently, FBI has no other choice than to rely on [REDACTED] actions which speak louder than words.

If approved, SAC's Faisst and Moore will be instructed to meet with [REDACTED] in the event he wants to see them at our office at Birmingham.

I concur 10/2/63
J. D. Moore
will handle

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

OCT 7 - 1963

TELETYPE

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

Handwritten initials and signatures over routing slip.

URGENT 10-7-63 1-00 PM MCM

TO DIRECTOR, FBI /157-1025/ AND SAC, BIRMINGHAM /157-352/
FROM SAC, MOBILE /157-416/

BAPBOMB.

ON THIS DATE AT APPROXIMATELY TEN THIRTY AM CST

[REDACTED]

TELEPHONICALLY

Senior Resident Agent
CONTACTED SRA [REDACTED] AT MONTGOMERY, AND STATED HE
EXTREMELY CONCERNED ABOUT LACK OF COOPERATION BETWEEN FBI AND
HIS DEPT. IN BIRMINGHAM DURING CURRENT INVESTIGATIONS OF INSTANT
MATTER. STATED HE FELT FBI IN BIRMINGHAM WAS DESIROUS OF
OBTAINING ALL INFO OBTAINED BY STATE INVESTIGATORS BUT WAS
UNWILLING TO FURNISH ANY INFO THE FBI DEVELOPED TO STATE
INVESTIGATORS. BY WAY OF EXAMPLE, STATE THAT ON ONE OCCASION
HIS DEPT. HAD FURNISHED LEADS TO THE FBI AND THEN THE FBI
DECLINED TO ADVISE THE INVESTIGATORS RESULTS OF INVESTIGATION
OF THESE LEADS. HE DID NOT FURTHER IDENTIFY THE LEADS.

SRA [REDACTED] INFORMED [REDACTED] THAT HE UNDERSTOOD THE DEPT.
PUBLIC SAFETY WAS NOT FURNISHING IMPORTANT INFO OBTAINED BY
IT TO THE FBI.

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MR. BELMONT FOR THE DIRECTOR

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██████████ STATED WAS WILLING TO MEET WITH FBI REPRESENTATIVES IN BIRMINGHAM AND FURNISH TO THEM ALL INFO IN POSSESSION OF HIS DEPT. TO DATE IN CONNECTION WITH THE BOMBINGS IN BIRMINGHAM.

HE STATED HIS DEPT. HAS SOME EXCELLENT INFO. AND FEELS IF THE INVESTIGATION CAN BE CONDUCTED IN A COOPERATIVE MANNER ALL THE BOMBINGS IN BIRMINGHAM CAN BE COMPLETELY SOLVED. HE REPEATED HE DOES NOT FEEL THAT EXCHANGE OF INFO SHOULD BE ON A ONE WAY BASIS AND THAT A FREE EXCHANGE BETWEEN HIS DEPT. AND THE FBI SHOULD TAKE PLACE.

██████████ STATED THAT WHILE HE COMPLETELY DETESTS THE KLAN GROUP, HE DOES FEEL HE HAS THE CONFIDENCE OF NOT ONLY CERTAIN KLANSMEN WHO HAVE BEEN TAKEN INTO CUSTODY DURING THIS INVESTIGATION, BUT POSSIBLY OTHER KLANSMEN, AND FEELS HE WOULD BE ABLE TO GET FURTHER IN TALKING TO THEM THAN THE FBI SINCE THE KLAN GROUP IS SCARED OF THE FBI AND QUOTE DOES NOT TRUST

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PAGE THREE

THE FBI, ~~UNIDENTIFIED~~. [REDACTED] STATED ON ONE OCCASION ROBERT SHELTON CAME TO THE HIGHWAY PATROL STATION AT A TIME WHEN A LARGE NUMBER OF KLANSMEN WERE BEING INTERVIEWED AND STARTED TELLING THE KLANSMEN THEY SHOULD NOT TALK OR COOPERATE IN ANY WAY. [REDACTED] ADVISED HE PERSONALLY ORDERED SHELTON TO LEAVE THE PREMISES AND TO NOT FURTHER INTERFERE WITH THE STATE/S INVESTIGATION.

[REDACTED] ADVISED HE IS TO RETURN TO BIRMINGHAM TONIGHT, THAT HE WILL CONFER WITH HIS ATTORNEYS CONCERNING THE TRIAL OF SOME OF THE KLANSMEN WHICH IS TO TAKE PLACE TOMORROW AFTERNOON AND THEN WILL BE TIED UP DURING THE TRIAL WHICH BEGINS AT ONE THIRTY PM. [REDACTED] STATED AFTER THE TRIAL IS OVER HE WILL CALL SAC FAARIST AND ARRANGE, IF POSSIBLE, TO MEET WITH HIM OR OTHER FBI REPRESENTATIVES AT A MEETING PLACE TO BE SELECTED DURING THE CONVERSATION, AND IF THE FBI IS WILLING, HE WILL THEN MEET WITH THEM AND FURNISH ALL INFO IN HIS POSSESSION.

[REDACTED] ADDED HE DOES NOT FEEL THE FBI OFFICE OR THE BIRMINGHAM PD, WOULD BE A GOOD PLACE TO MEET AS HE HAS FOUND THAT ANY MEETING HELD AT THE PD ARE IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWED UP
END PAGE THREE

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BY THE NEWS MEDIA AND IF IT IS NECESSARY TO BRING SOME OF THE
KLANSMEN FOR INTERVIEWS BY THE FBI, IT WOULD BE BETTER TO MEET
IN A BUILDING OTHER THAN THAT OCCUPIED BY THE FBI.

██████████ ADVISED HE FEELS SO KEENLY THAT COMPLETE COOPERATION
SHOULD EXIST IN THIS INVESTIGATION, AS WELL AS ANY OTHER
INVESTIGATION IF THIS STATE, HE IS WILLING TO ASSIGN STATE
INVESTIGATORS TO WORK ALONGSIDE FBI AGENT IF THIS WOULD ENHANCE
THE INVESTIGATION.

██████████ ALSO STATED HE FELT PERSONAL JEALOUSIES AND ANIMOSI-
TIES, AS WELL AS A CERTAIN AMOUNT OF POLITICAL OVERTONES, HAD
CREATED THE RIFT BETWEEN THE FBI AND HIS DEPT. AND HE FEELS
THAT THESE ~~QUOTE~~ "THORNS" ~~UNQUOTE~~ CAN BE REMOVED BY A MEETING
BETWEEN HIMSELF AND FBI REPRESENTATIVE.

THIS CONFIRMS TELEPHONIC INFO FURNISHED SAC ROY K. MOORE
AT BIRMINGHAM TODAY.

END ACK

WA SSSS3-13 PM OK FBI WA OS

BH 1-13 PM OK FBI BH JSB

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CC-MR. ROSEN + *Mr. McEwan*

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NATIONAL STATES RIGHTS PARTY.

EXTENSIVE INQUIRIES BEING MADE IN AREA OF NSRP HEADQUARTERS, AS WELL AS COMMUNITIES WHERE KNOWN MEMBERS RESIDE CONCERNING THIS GROUP BECAUSE THEIR NON-COOPERATIVE AND INSULTING ATTITUDE APPARENTLY HAS RESULTED IN THE PUBLIC LOOKING UPON THEM WITH EXTREME DISFAVOR. INQUIRIES CONTINUING.

MISCELLANEOUS.

LEADS SET FORTH IN BUAIRTEL DATED OCT. TEN, SIXTYTHREE, THIS CASE RESULTING FROM REVIEW OF REPORT DATED OCT. FOUR, HAD ALL BEEN ASSIGNED AND WERE BEING WORKED AT TIME OF RECEIPT. [REDACTED] MENTIONED IN THIS TEL WILL BE AFFORDED POLYGRAPH WHEN LOCATED.

EXTENSIVE INQUIRY BEING MADE INTO BACKGROUNDS PRINCIPAL SUSPECTS, INCLUDING NEIGHBORHOOD INQUIRIES, INTERVIEWS WITH RELATIVES, FRIENDS AND OTHER SOURCES IN AN ENDEAVOR TO POSITIVELY PINPOINT WHEREABOUTS THESE INDIVIDUALS DURING PERTINENT PERIODS WHEN BOMBINGS OCCURRED FOLLOWING WHICH ADDITIONAL INTERVIEWS WITH THEM WILL BE CONDUCTED.

TWENTYEIGHT INTERVIEWS TODAY, THREE HUNDRED AND NINETYTWO PENDING. TWO PCI PAREN RAC PAREN FILES OPENED.

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10-04 PM OK FBI WA RL

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61259
Memorandum for Mr. Belmont
RE: UNSUBS; BOMBING OF SIXTEENTH
STREET BAPTIST CHURCH

[REDACTED]

ACTION BEING TAKEN:

Birmingham is going all out on this right now and trying to develop much background information and pressing all possible leads concerning this phase.

SAC Moore when he is through interrogating [REDACTED] advised of additional developments.

You will be

[Handwritten signature]

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION
OCT 10 1963
TELETYPE

Mr. Tolson	
Mr. Belmont	
Mr. Mohr	
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Mr. Trotter	
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Miss Gandy	

M. J. [unclear]

U R G E N T 10-10-63 9-11

PM CST JP

TO DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM SAC, BIRMINGHAM /157-352/
BAPBOMB, ET AL. DAILY SUMMARY.
CHAMBLISS GROUP.

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Answer to Belmont 10/10/63
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SEVENTY ONE INTERVIEWS TODAY. THREE THREE SIX
PENDING. ONE PCI PAREN RAC END PAREN FILE OPENED.

END ACK PLS

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Date: 10/10/63

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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL
(Priority or Method of Mailing)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-1025)

FROM: SAC, BIRMINGHAM (157-352)

SUBJECT: BAPBOMB

Re Bureau airtel to Birmingham, 10/3/63, which states a review of communications in this matter indicated that four leads might not have been covered.

1. Portland teletype dated 9/29/63, concerning [redacted] does not have a son named [redacted] and is obviously not identical with [redacted]. Other investigation failed to identify [redacted] in Birmingham and no further action being taken in this matter.
2. Concerning an automobile parked in the front of East End Baptist Church, Birmingham - The owner of this automobile was identified and interviewed. He gave a logical explanation for being at that specific location the date in question.
3. Concerning [redacted] A separate case file has been opened on this individual and investigation being conducted concerning his background as a suspect in this matter.
4. Concerning information furnished by [redacted]

3- Bureau
 3- Birmingham { 2- 157-352
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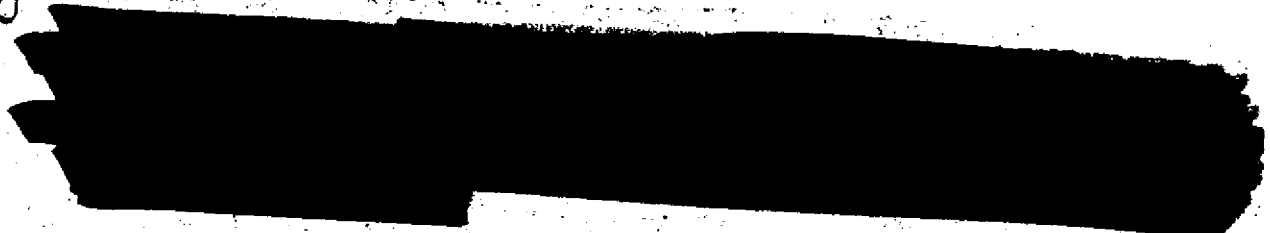
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Approved: _____ Sent _____ M Per _____
 Special Agent in Charge
 C. C. Wick

BH 157-352

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5. All Special Agents working on this case have been advised that when suspects are identified and interviewed that any pliers or wire cutters they may have in their possession should be obtained and samples cuttings made to be submitted to the FBI Laboratory.

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Date: 10/5/63

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 Miss Gandy

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(Type in plain text or code)

Via AIRTEL

(Priority or Method of Mailing)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-1025)
Attention: FBI Laboratory

m. J. [Signature]

FROM: SAC, BIRMINGHAM (157-352) (P)

BAPBOMB

There is being forwarded under separate cover one package containing four colored exposures of [redacted] which were taken 10/5/63. It is requested that the Laboratory make 30 copies of the best picture and three copies each of the remaining pictures and forward the prints to Birmingham by airmail. It is requested this request be handled expeditiously in order that they may be in possession of Birmingham as soon as possible.

- 4 - Bureau (AM)
 (1 - package)
- 2 - Birmingham

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 Film devel &
 Prints made
 Ford to Birmingham
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Mel... [Signature]

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Approved: *[Signature]*
 Special Agent in Charge

Sent _____ M Per _____

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OFFICE OF DIRECTOR
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

October 4, 1963

The attached post card was sent to
the Director by [REDACTED]

The card reads:

10/3/63

Sir:

Your inactivity in the solution of
the cruel-inhuman murder of the 6 so-
called negro children in Alabama-proves
your real self. You and all your kind will
see this country turned up-side down. You
are worse than a "swine" --

- MR. TOLSON ✓
- MR. BELMONT ✓
- MR. MOHR
- MR. CASPER
- MR. CALLAHAN ✓
- MR. CONRAD ✓
- MR. DELCASH ✓
- MR. EVANS
- MR. GALE ✓
- MR. ROSEN ✓
- MR. SULLIVAN ✓
- MR. TAYEL
- MR. TROTTER
- MR. JONES
- TELE. ROOM
- MISS HOLMES
- MRS. METCALF
- MISS GANDY

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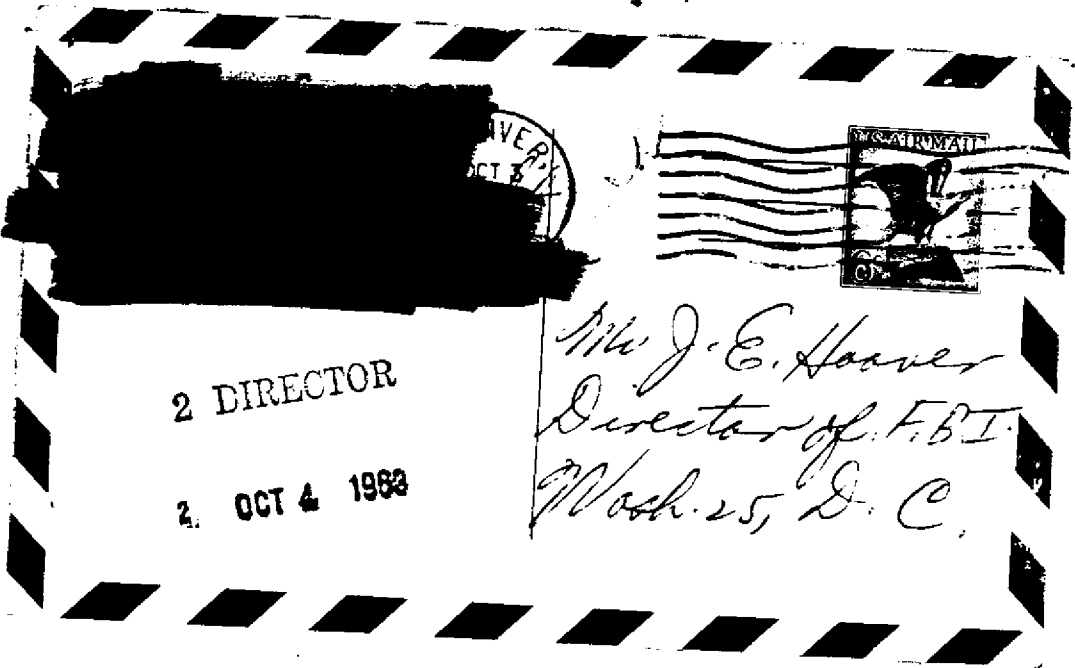
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PERS. SEC. UNIT

MEMO
SAC [unclear]
10-9-63
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2 DIRECTOR

2. OCT 4 1963

Mr J. E. Hoover
Director of F.B.I.
Wash. 25, D. C.

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memo
SAC [unclear]
10-9-63
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PERS. SEC. UNIT

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10/3/63

Sir:

Your inactivity in the solution
of the cruel-inhuman murder
of the so-called negro children
in Alabama - proves your real
self, you and all your kind
"will see this country turned-up
side down", you are worse than
a swine

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SAC [unclear]
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SAC, Denver

October 9, 1963

Director, FBI

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RESEARCH (CORRESPONDENCE AND TOURS)

Enclosed are two copies of a postal card from captioned individual who cannot be identified in Bufiles. In view of the antagonism expressed in this communication, it has not been acknowledged. This is being furnished for information only.

Enclosures (2)

REC'D--READING ROOM
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OCT 10 9 39 AM '63

JH:sls
(4)

✓
John [unclear]

MAILED 20
OCT 10 1963
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- Tolson _____
- Belmont _____
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OCT 10 10 03 AM '63

sent/g...
REC DIRECTOR

MAIL ROOM TELETYPE UNIT

*NA 127
10-12-63*

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

OCT 12 1963

TELETYPE

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URGENT 10-12-63
TO DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM SAC, NEW YORK

BAPBOMB, RACIAL MATTER

Mac Jones

- Tolson
- Belmont
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- Casper
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- Conrad
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RE BUTEL TEN ELEVEN SIXTYTHREE.

MATERIAL REQUESTED IN RETEL ON BOARD EAL FLIGHT NINE TWO ONE
ARRIVING ATLANTA FIVE AM THIS DATE. ATLANTA ADVISED TELEPHONICALLY.
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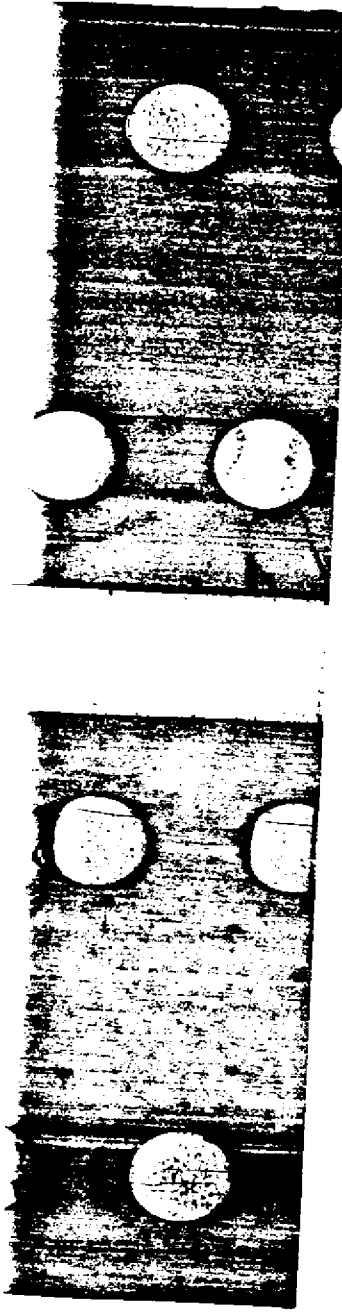
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cc: Levin



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Mr. Sullivan	4/3
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Miss Gandy	_____

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TO DIRECTOR

FROM SAC BIRMINGHAM /157-352/ 4P

O BAPBOMB, ET AL. DAILY SUMMARY.
CHAMBLISS GROUP.

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ADDITIONAL MEMBERS NOI INTERVIEWED. BACKGROUND OBTAINED.
NONE HAVE KNOWLEDGE OF BOMBINGS.

MISCELLANEOUS.

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[REDACTED] ARRIVED HOME OF RELATIVE ON SCHEDULE EVENING OF OCT ELEVEN LAST. DID NOT LEAVE RESIDENCE. DURING SATURDAY, OCT TWELVE INSTANT, LEFT HOME ON TWO OCCASIONS, ONE WITH BROTHER IN LAW TO SHOPPING CENTER AND ON SECOND OCCASION VISITED A PERSON IN AN APARTMENT LOCATED IN FULTONDALE VILLAGE, SUBURBAN BIRMINGHAM, WHOSE IDENTITY IS NOW BEING ASCERTAINED AND COULD POSSIBLY BE THAT PERSON [REDACTED] WAS GOING TO CONTACT IN AN ENDEAVOR TO SECURE INFORMATION CONCERNING CAPTIONED MATTER WHILE HERE.

NUMBER OF INTERVIEWS TODAY SIXTYFOUR. PENDING INTERVIEWS THREE EIGHT SEVEN.

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Washington, D. C. 20535



REPORT

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LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION

Identification Division

YOUR FILE NO. 157-93
FBI FILE NO. 157-1025
LATENT CASE NO. 45563

October 10, 1963

TO: SAC, Indianapolis

RE: BAPBOMB;

REFERENCE: Bureau Teletype 10-3-63 to, Indianapolis
EXAMINATION REQUESTED BY: Bureau
SPECIMENS: Q11, envelope
Q12, note

Envelope addressed to the Director and accompanying letter examined, but no latents developed. Evidence retained at Bureau.

Laboratory report separate.

- 1 - Birmingham
- 1 - Mr. Lavin, Rm. 2268, JE

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John Edgar Hoover, Director

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

NO LAB FILE

Recorded: 10-9-63/11:00am
Laboratory Work Sheet Received: 10-9-63/cbg

Re: BAPBOMB

File # 157-1025 441
Lab. # D-432785 IK

LC# 45563

L A T E N T

Examination requested by: Bureau

Examination requested: Document - Fingerprint

Date received: 10-7-63

Result of Examination:

Examination by [redacted]
[redacted]

Specimens submitted for examination

Q11 Envelope bearing typewritten address "J. Edgar Hoover
Federal Bureau of Investigation Washington, D. C.,"
postmarked "SOUTH BEND, IND. SEP 30 1963 5-PM"

One-page

Q12 /Typewritten letter beginning "Dear Sir: This is
to ..." ending "...Sincerley Yours A Negro
Commuionist"

*Evidence examined no latent
developed,
Evidence returned to For Lab,*

~~10-9-63~~ 10-9-63 130PM
Examination completed: Date Time Dictated: Date 10-9-63

*1- Bureau
1- Mr. Lavin (100-2268)
ag. 40-10-6-*

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URGENT 10-14-63 4-54 PM EST TTI
TO DIRECTOR, FBI /157-1025/ AND SAC-S, BIRMINGHAM /157-352/,
AND LOS ANGELES /157-693/
FROM SAC, INDIANAPOLIS /157-93/ 3P

BAPBOMB.

RE LOS ANGELES TEL OCTOBER THIRTEEN LAST.

[REDACTED]

EVANSVILLE PRESS NEWSPAPER REFLECTS MISS AMERICA PAGEANT
APPEARED SEPTEMBER SEVEN LAST. REC-138 157-1025-442

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MEMO ROSEN TO BELMONT 10/15/63

10/14/63

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[REDACTED] NOT AVAILABLE FOR INTERVIEW UNTIL EVENING
OCT. FOURTEEN INSTANT WHEN HE WILL BE INTERVIEWED AND
TEL SUBMITTED.

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[REDACTED] BIRMINGHAM, SURVEILLED FROM NSRP HEADQUARTERS, BIRMINGHAM, TO COUNTRY BOY DRIVE IN, BIRMINGHAM, WHERE HE TALKED WITH [REDACTED] OF KNOXVILLE, TENN., AND [REDACTED] NSRP, WHO WAS DRIVING NINETEEN SIXTYTWO RAMBLER BEARING NINETEEN SIXTYTHREE TENN. LICENSE [REDACTED]

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ENTERED DRIVE IN THEN RETURNED TO NSRP HDQTRS. AT TEN FIFTYONE AM, I
PROCEEDED TO TRAVEL TOWARD TUSCALOOSA, ALA. CHECKED BY AHP EN
ROUTE. ^{4/25/68} ~~7-545~~ TO LOCATE [REDACTED] TODAY, HOWEVER,
LANDLORD STATES HE WILL AGAIN BE MOVING AT THE END OF THE MONTH.

MISCELLANEOUS.

THREE INTERVIEWS REMAIN OUT OF CAR RENTAL PROJECT IN ENDEAVOR
TO ASCERTAIN IF RENTED CAR MIGHT HAVE BEEN USED FOR BOMBING.
REMAINDER CHECKED NEGATIVELY. LEADS OUTSTANDING TO INTERVIEW
REMAINING THREE. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

ADDITIONAL CHURCH MEMBERS CONTACTED. NOTHING NEW LEARNED.

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[REDACTED]

SEVENTY INTERVIEWS CONDUCTED. FOUR HUNDRED FIFTYFIVEPENDING.

ONE PCI DASH RAC FILE OPENED.

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"./////"ROUTE. UNABLE"

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Date: 10/7/63

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

Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL
(Priority or Method of Mailing)

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI
ATTENTION: FBI LABORATORY
PHOTOGRAPHIC SECTION

FROM : SAC, BIRMINGHAM (157-352)

SUBJECT : BAPBOMB

Attached herewith is one negative with four exposures secured from [redacted] of the Jefferson County Coroner's Office, Birmingham, Alabama. [redacted] stated that this negative is of photographs that he took of the dead children who were killed in the bombing of the Sixteenth Street Baptist Church on 9/15/63, Birmingham, Ala.

The Photographic Section is requested to prepare for the Birmingham Office at least four copies each from this negative in approximately 8 x 10 size as the Birmingham office might desire to use these photographs in interrogating suspects.

It is requested that this negative be returned to the Birmingham Office as soon as possible so that it might be returned to Coroner [redacted]

- ③ - Bureau (Enc. [redacted])
- 2 - Birmingham [redacted]
- (5) [redacted]

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RE
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Approved: [Signature]
Special Agent in Charge

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SAC, BIRMINGHAM (157-352)

October 11, 1963

Director, FBI

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Reference is made to your communication dated 10/7/63 transmitting negative(s) film photograph(s) document(s) pertaining to the above-captioned matter.

In accordance with your request film has been developed enlargement(s) made positive copy made print(s) made slide(s) made negative(s) made Photostats made

The above is attached being sent under separate cover, via registered mail REA Express

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V.C. Trefino, room 2266

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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TO : Mr. Belmont *WMB*

DATE: October 9, 1963

FROM : A. Rosen *AR*

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS; BOMBING
OF SIXTEENTH STREET BAPTIST
CHURCH, BIRMINGHAM,
ALABAMA, 9/15/63
BOMBING MATTERS

LAVI
McClendon

SAC Roy Moore has telephonically advised that John Wesley Hall had been tried in Recorder's Court in Birmingham today on the charge of possession of dynamite. Hall received the same sentence as was given to Charles Cagle yesterday; namely, \$100 fine plus costs and six months at hard labor. This sentence is being appealed.

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(ALABAMA)

BIRMINGHAM--A SECOND WHITE MAN WAS CONVICTED TODAY OF ILLEGALLY POSSESSING DYNAMITE THE NIGHT THE HOME OF A NEGRO ATTORNEY HERE WAS BOMBED.

JOHN HALL, A STOCKY, BLACK-HAIRED MAN OF 36, WAS GIVEN A SIX-MONTHS' AIL TERM AND FINED \$100, THE MAXIMUM ON THE MIS-DEMEANOR CHARGED. HE WAS RELEASED ON BOND OF \$300 PENDING APPEAL.

THE FINAL DEFENDANT AMONG THREE MEN ARRESTED WITH DYNAMITE IN THEIR POSSESSION--R. E. CHAMBLISS, 59--WAS DUE FOR TRIAL IN CITY COURT BEFORE RECORDER J. EARL LANGNER LATER TODAY.

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McDonnell
Robert

U R G E N T 10-11-63 8-45PM CST JP

TO DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM SAC, BIRMINGHAM /157-352/

BAPBOMB, ET AL. DAILY SUMMARY.

CHAMBLISS GROUP.

SUSPECT ROBERT E. CHAMBLISS REINTERVIEWED BY BUAGENTS TODAY. CHAMBLISS APPARENTLY COOPERATIVE AND PROMISED TO AID IN PRESENT INVESTIGATION. CHAMBLISS ADMITTED PURCHASE OF ONE CASE OF DYNAMITE IN LATE AUGUST, WHICH HE GAVE TO JOHN WESLEY HALL, BUT DENIES KNOWLEDGE OF ITS USE OR PRESENT LOCATION. HE STATED HE DOES NOT DESIRE TO HAVE KKK BE ACCUSED FALSELY OF BOMBINGS AND WILL IDENTIFY SUBJECTS IF HE LEARNS IDENTITY. CHAMBLISS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR FURTHER INTERVIEW AND DEVELOPMENT OF ADDITIONAL BACKGROUND.

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ABLE FOR FURTHER INTERVIEW AND DEVELOPMENT OF ADDITIONAL BACKGROUND.

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cc: Lavin

*Memo from
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ADDITIONAL MEMBERS N. O. I. INTERVIEWED.
BACKGROUND OBTAINED. NONE HAVE KNOWLEDGE OF BOMBING
OF SIXTEENTH STREET BAPTIST CHURCH.

MISCELLANEOUS.

OCCUPANT OF NINETEEN SIXTYTWO DODGE OBSERVED
AT WILLEY PONTIAC CO. AND NEAR VICINITY OF [REDACTED]
RESIDENCE SEPT. FOUR, SIXTYTHREE, DETERMINED TO BE

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] PHOTO TAKEN OF [REDACTED] DETAILED
DESCRIPTION OBTAINED. DATE OF BIRTH [REDACTED]
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SEVENTYFIVE INTERVIEWS CONDUCTED TODAY,
APPROXIMATELY FOUR HUNDRED REMAINING.

END ACK

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE MOBILE	OFFICE OF ORIGIN BIRMINGHAM	DATE 10/9/63	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 9/15-10/7/63
TITLE OF CASE UNSUBS; Bombing of Sixteenth Street Baptist Church, Birmingham, Alabama, 9/15/63		REPORT MADE BY SA [REDACTED]	TYPED :plw
		CHARACTER OF CASE BOMBING MATTERS	

REFERENCES: Birmingham teletype, 9/15/63

Report of SA [REDACTED] dated 10/4/63, at Birmingham

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LEADS:

MOBILE DIVISION

AT MOBILE, ALABAMA

Will report results of investigation presently being conducted as requested in Birmingham airtel to Mobile, 9/25/63 concerning [REDACTED] Birmingham airtel to Mobile, 9/27/63, concerning [REDACTED] and Birmingham airtel to New Orleans and Mobile, 10/3/63, requesting automobile license checks at Montgomery, Alabama.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

APPROVED <i>[Signature]</i>	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	DO NOT WRITE IN SPACES BELOW	
COPIES MADE: ③ - Bureau (157-1025)(RM) 3 - Birmingham (157-352)(RM) 2 - Mobile (157-416)		157-1025-447 OCT 14 1963 REC-47 112	
DISSEMINATION RECORD OF ATTACHED REPORT		NOTATIONS	
AGENCY.....		<i>mc [Signature]</i> STAT. SECT.	
REQUEST RECD.			
DATE FWD.			
HOW FWD.			
BY.....			

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One extra copy of this report is furnished to the Bureau, as was done in referenced Birmingham report, in the event additional copy is needed for dissemination.

Investigation concerning persons on the bombing suspect list and interviews with 58 persons who are either on the bombing suspect list or connected with Klan organizations or hate type organizations have been conducted, and no pertinent information developed concerning instant bombing. A summary of this negative information was furnished to the Bureau and Birmingham by letter dated 10/8/63. The original of FD-302s concerning the persons interviewed are included in Mobile case file, and as the information developed is negative, it is not set forth in instant report.

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This information was furnished to Birmingham by teletype dated 9/21/63. [redacted] has been identified as [redacted] and he has been interviewed by Jacksonville as set out in Jacksonville airtel to Birmingham, 9/26/63.



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[REDACTED]

The details of information concerning [REDACTED] together with descriptive date of [REDACTED] was furnished to SAC RAY FAISST of the Birmingham Office by telephone at 4:30 p.m., 9/28/63, and dictated to a Birmingham stenographer at the time of the call.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Birmingham airtel, 9/21/63, set forth telephone numbers called by different suspects, requesting that the subscribers to the listed telephone numbers be ascertained, credit and criminal checks done, and the persons interviewed. One of these numbers related to [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

The Birmingham Office was advised by airtel dated 9/30/63 that there was no such number in Enterprise, but that number [REDACTED] was listed to [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Investigation reflected that [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] Birmingham was advised to
this effect in airtel dated 9/30/63, and that in view of the
relationship, no interview with [REDACTED] would be
made.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: *As c*

Report of: SA [REDACTED]

Office: MOBILE

Date: October 9, 1963

Field Office File No.: 157-416

Bureau File No.: 157-1025

Title: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS; Bombing of Sixteenth Street Baptist Church,
Birmingham, Alabama, September 15, 1963

Character: BOMBING MATTERS

Synopsis: 1958 Chevrolet found burned near Birmingham, Ala.,
9/16/63, was stolen 9/7-9/63, Montgomery, Ala. from Hargrove
Motor Co. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Other investigation by Mobile developed no information to identify UNSUBS. Automobile license data concerning associates of suspect CHAMBLISS set out. INVESTIGATION REFLECTS MANY MEMBERS OF KLAN AND SEGREGATION TYPE GROUPS CARRY SOME TYPE OF WEAPON, ALL SUCH INDIVIDUALS ARE THEREFORE TO BE APPROACHED WITH EXTREME CAUTION.

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DETAILS:

(See next page)

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RE: 1958 CHEVROLET, ID F58N145302, FOUND
BURNED NEAR BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA, 9/16/63

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The following investigation was conducted at Montgomery, Alabama September 18, 1963, by SAs [redacted] and [redacted]

The following individuals were contacted to determine if they observed anyone stealing a 1958 Chevrolet Impala from the Hargrove Motor Company, 616 Bell Street, during the period from 6:00 p.m., September 7, 1963 until the morning of Monday, September 9, 1963. All of these individuals advised their respective companies are closed during that period and no one is in the area who could have observed a person stealing a car from this car lot. They further stated all of the businesses in this area are closed during the weekends and at night. None of the individuals contacted could furnish any information as to the identity of the person stealing this vehicle.

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