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NEW ORLEANS DIVISION:

AT FERRIDAY, LOUISIANA

Will attempt to obtain background information on (FNU) GUTHRIE, who allegedly has been accepted as a member of the "Minutemen".

AT NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA

(1) Will interview LORET JAMES ROSS, 751 1/2 Orion Street, Metairie, employed at Liberty Mutual Insurance Company, regarding any information he may have concerning the "Minutemen" organization.

(2) Will conduct credit and arrest checks on LORET ROSS, white male, date of birth, November 7, 1941, residing at above address.

(3) Will interview BEULAH F. MOORE, 336 Dauphine.

(4) Will determine feasibility of interviewing ALBERT B. JOY, 4651 Lancelot Drive.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

No interviews are planned of former "Minutemen" members in the Bogalusa area, inasmuch as information from NO 1271-R strongly indicates that there is no connection whatsoever with the National organization. These individuals will be or have been interviewed with regards to Klan affiliations in this area.

An extra copy of this report is being submitted to the Bureau for dissemination to Secret Service.

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Synopsis:
Attempts to locate LORET JAMES ROSS, at Natchitoches and Shreveport, Louisiana, negative; credit and criminal checks on ROSS at Natchitoches and Shreveport, also negative. Wife of ALBERT B. JOY advised, 7/5/65, that he had a heart condition and preferred not to be interviewed at this time.
Attempts to interview BEULAH F. MOORE, negative. Sources have reported that the "Minutemen" groups in Bogalusa have now disbanded and that no information has been developed indicating these groups are connected with the National organization. Investigation continuing.

DETAILS:

A characterization of the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (OKKK) can be located in the appendix section of this report.

The following investigation was conducted by SA DAVID V. BUCKLEY at Natchitoches, Louisiana, on March 17, 1965:

Mr. HAL TOWNSEND, Housing Director, Northwestern State College, Natchitoches, Louisiana, made available an application for housing by MR. LORET JAMES ROSS, which indicated the following:

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On May 17, 1965, NO T-1 advised that on May 11, 1965, a meeting of the "Minutemen" was scheduled to be held at the DAV Hall, Bogalusa, Louisiana. Only four members showed up and so no formal meeting was conducted. The meeting consisted of an informal discussion among the members who indicated that it had been several weeks since any acts of harassment had been conducted against either BASCOM TALLEY or LOU MAJORS. The members indicated that in the future they should again start these acts of harassment.

On May 26, 1965, NO T-1 advised that there has been only one group in the Bogalusa, Louisiana, area known as the "Minutemen" which has been meeting in the past. This group is no longer active and no longer meets due to the lack of interest on the part of the members. This "Minutemen" group was organized to conduct acts of harassment against LOU MAJORS, the editor of the Bogalusa newspaper, BASCUM TALLEY, local attorney, and RALPH BLUMBERG, the owner of radio station WBOX.

AT SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA

On April 14, 1965, NO T-3 advised that on that date, CHARLES CHRISTMAS stated that he is considering joining the "MINUTEMEN", which he described as an action group and indicated that this was the reason he wanted to join them. He said he had seven men who would join with him but he did identify the other seven men.

On April 8, 1965, NO T-4 advised that a man named GUTHRIE, (FNU), Ferriday, Louisiana, has reportedly tried for sometime to join the "Minutemen" and has recently been tentatively accepted for membership.

AT NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA

On April 19, 1965, NO T-2, another government agency which conducts personal and security investigations, furnished the following information:

On April 19, 1965, about noon, a man who is employed in the division of Vital Statistics, Louisiana State Board of