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December 21, 2016

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WASHINGTON, DC 20024

FOIPA Request No.: 1352364-000  
Subject: ALI, MUHAMMAD

Judicial Watch v. Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Civil Action No.: 1:16-cv-01658  
U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia

Dear Mr. Fedeli:

The enclosed documents were reviewed under the Freedom of Information (FOIA), Title 5, United States Code, Section 552. Deletions have been made to protect information which is exempt from disclosure, with the appropriate exemptions noted on the page next to the excision. In addition, a deleted page information sheet was inserted in the file to indicate where pages were withheld entirely. The exemptions used to withhold information are marked below and explained on the enclosed Explanation of Exemptions:

Section 552

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502 pages were reviewed and 454 pages are being released.

☒ Document(s) were located which originated with, or contained information concerning, other Government Agency (ies) [OGA].

☐ This information has been referred to the OGA(s) for review and direct response to you.

☒ We are consulting with another agency. The FBI will correspond with you regarding this information when the consultation is completed.

☐ In accordance with standard FBI practice and pursuant to FOIA exemption (b)(7)(E) and Privacy Act exemption (j)(2) [5 U.S.C. § 552/552a (b)(7)(E)/(j)(2)], this response neither confirms nor denies the existence of your subject's name on any watch lists.

For your information, Congress excluded three discrete categories of law enforcement and national security records from the requirements of the FOIA. See 5 U.S. C. § 552(c) (2006 & Supp. IV (2010)). This response is limited to those records that are subject to the requirements of the FOIA. This is a standard notification that is given to all our requesters and should not be taken as an indication that excluded records do, or do not, exist. Enclosed for your information is a copy of the Explanation of Exemptions.

Although your request is in litigation, we are required by 5 § USC 552 (a)(6)(A) to provide you the following information concerning your right to appeal. You may file an appeal by writing to the Director, Office of Information Policy (OIP), United States Department of Justice, Suite 11050, 1425 New York Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C. 20530-0001, or you may submit an appeal through OIP's FOIAonline portal by creating an account on the following web site: <https://foiaonline.regulations.gov/foia/action/public/home>. Your appeal must be postmarked or electronically transmitted within sixty (60) days from the date of this letter in order to be considered timely. If you submit your appeal by mail, both the letter and the envelope should be clearly marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal." Please cite the FOIPA Request Number assigned to your request so that it may be easily identified.

☐ The enclosed material is from the main investigative file(s) in which the subject(s) of your request was the focus of the investigation. Our search located additional references, in files relating to other individuals, or matters, which may or may not be about your subject(s). Our experience has shown when ident, references usually contain information similar to the information processed in the main file(s). Because of our significant backlog, we have given priority to processing only the main investigative file(s). If you want the references, you must submit a separate request for them in writing, and they will be reviewed at a later date, as time and resources permit.



See additional information which follows.

Sincerely,



David M. Hardy  
Section Chief  
Record/Information  
Dissemination Section  
Records Management Division

Enclosures - 2

In response to your client's Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request and subsequent civil action case pending in the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia, enclosed is one (1) compact disc containing records Bates Stamped Muhammad Ali - 515 to Muhammad Ali - 1016. Deleted Page Information Sheets have been inserted where necessary to represent those pages withheld in full.

To minimize costs to both you and the FBI, duplicate copies of the same document were not processed.

## EXPLANATION OF EXEMPTIONS

### SUBSECTIONS OF TITLE 5, UNITED STATES CODE, SECTION 552

- (b)(1) (A) specifically authorized under criteria established by an Executive order to be kept secret in the interest of national defense or foreign policy and (B) are in fact properly classified to such Executive order;
- (b)(2) related solely to the internal personnel rules and practices of an agency;
- (b)(3) specifically exempted from disclosure by statute (other than section 552b of this title), provided that such statute (A) requires that the matters be withheld from the public in such a manner as to leave no discretion on issue, or (B) establishes particular criteria for withholding or refers to particular types of matters to be withheld;
- (b)(4) trade secrets and commercial or financial information obtained from a person and privileged or confidential;
- (b)(5) inter-agency or intra-agency memorandums or letters which would not be available by law to a party other than an agency in litigation with the agency;
- (b)(6) personnel and medical files and similar files the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy;
- (b)(7) records or information compiled for law enforcement purposes, but only to the extent that the production of such law enforcement records or information ( A ) could reasonably be expected to interfere with enforcement proceedings, ( B ) would deprive a person of a right to a fair trial or an impartial adjudication, ( C ) could reasonably be expected to constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy, ( D ) could reasonably be expected to disclose the identity of confidential source, including a State, local, or foreign agency or authority or any private institution which furnished information on a confidential basis, and, in the case of record or information compiled by a criminal law enforcement authority in the course of a criminal investigation, or by an agency conducting a lawful national security intelligence investigation, information furnished by a confidential source, ( E ) would disclose techniques and procedures for law enforcement investigations or prosecutions, or would disclose guidelines for law enforcement investigations or prosecutions if such disclosure could reasonably be expected to risk circumvention of the law, or ( F ) could reasonably be expected to endanger the life or physical safety of any individual;
- (b)(8) contained in or related to examination, operating, or condition reports prepared by, on behalf of, or for the use of an agency responsible for the regulation or supervision of financial institutions; or
- (b)(9) geological and geophysical information and data, including maps, concerning wells.

### SUBSECTIONS OF TITLE 5, UNITED STATES CODE, SECTION 552a

- (d)(5) information compiled in reasonable anticipation of a civil action proceeding;
- (j)(2) material reporting investigative efforts pertaining to the enforcement of criminal law including efforts to prevent, control, or reduce crime or apprehend criminals;
- (k)(1) information which is currently and properly classified pursuant to an Executive order in the interest of the national defense or foreign policy, for example, information involving intelligence sources or methods;
- (k)(2) investigatory material compiled for law enforcement purposes, other than criminal, which did not result in loss of a right, benefit or privilege under Federal programs, or which would identify a source who furnished information pursuant to a promise that his/her identity would be held in confidence;
- (k)(3) material maintained in connection with providing protective services to the President of the United States or any other individual pursuant to the authority of Title 18, United States Code, Section 3056;
- (k)(4) required by statute to be maintained and used solely as statistical records;
- (k)(5) investigatory material compiled solely for the purpose of determining suitability, eligibility, or qualifications for Federal civilian employment or for access to classified information, the disclosure of which would reveal the identity of the person who furnished information pursuant to a promise that his/her identity would be held in confidence;
- (k)(6) testing or examination material used to determine individual qualifications for appointment or promotion in Federal Government service the release of which would compromise the testing or examination process;
- (k)(7) material used to determine potential for promotion in the armed services, the disclosure of which would reveal the identity of the person who furnished the material pursuant to a promise that his/her identity would be held in confidence.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

MEMORANDUM

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-436351)

DATE: December 15, 1966  
25-531360 handled  
25-330971 handled

FROM: SAC, CHICAGO (100-40911)

SUBJECT: CASSIUS MARCELLUS CLAY, aka  
SM - NOI

Re Chicago letter, cc Louisville, dated 11/29/66.

[redacted], who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on December 6, 1966, as follows:

It now appears [redacted] will [redacted] at Muhammad's Temple No. 2, Chicago. [redacted] has been visiting [redacted] and has committed himself to [redacted]. No date has been set. [redacted] is completely under the control of HERBERT MUHAMMAD and will do as he says. The proposed [redacted] has been arranged by HERBERT MUHAMMAD.

Chicago continues to follow this matter.

- 4 - Bureau (RM)  
2 - 100-436351  
1 - 25-531360 (CASSIUS CLAY)  
1 - 25-330971 (Nation of Islam)  
1 - Louisville 100-4558 (Info) (RM)  
5 - Chicago  
1 - [redacted]  
1 - 100-31166 (HERBERT MUHAMMAD)  
1 - 100-43546  
1 - 100-33920

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**C.D. Brennan**

COMMUNIST PARTY, USA  
COUNTERINTELLIGENCE PROGRAM  
INTERNAL SECURITY - C  
(NATION OF ISLAM)

1 - Mr. DeLoach  
1 - Mr. Wick  
1 - Mr. Sullivan  
1 - Mr. C.D. Brennan  
1 - Mr. Enlow  
1 - Mr. Shackelford  
2 - Mr. Ryan

The following item if furnished to and publicized by a nationally syndicated columnist, could embarrass and disrupt the racist black nationalist Nation of Islam:

"Loud-mouth heavy weight champ Cassius Clay changed his name to Muhammad Ali to demonstrate his unflinching loyalty to the racist Muslim Nation of Islam. Clay's footwork in the ring may not be proven, but it will be interesting to observe how he dances to the scheme of his idolized leader, the 'last messenger of Allah.'

"Muslim leader Elijah Muhammad intends to arrange a marriage between his prize show piece (and money raiser) and the dowdy daughter of a Muslim sub-boss. Ali (Cassius), who is not the easiest man to harness, may not take kindly to the 'arranged marriage' to a Muslim Sister who at best may be described as not his type."

This information is factual although editorialized and paraphrased for emphasis and to protect the identities of sources.

**ACTION:**

That this memorandum be routed to the Crime Records Division so the above item, disruptive to the Nation of Islam, may be confidentially furnished to an appropriate news media source.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : Mr. Sullivan

DATE: 2/15/67

FROM : C. D. Brennan

1 - DeLoach  
1 - Wick  
1 - Sullivan  
1 - Gale  
1 - C. D. Brennan  
1 - Shackelford

SUBJECT: NATION OF ISLAM (NOI)  
INTERNAL SECURITY - NOI

Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
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Holmes \_\_\_\_\_  
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This is to advise you of additional developments concerning Cassius Clay, heavyweight boxing champion and NOI spokesman, and his involvement in a smuggling violation being handled by the Bureau of Customs, Treasury Department.

As you were previously advised, Clay allegedly purchased jewelry valued at \$3,000 in Germany and failed to declare the jewelry on a form executed by him upon his return to the United States. Customs had requested our Chicago Office to aid them in locating Clay for interview and possible arrest.

Through our top level sources in the NOI, Clay's specific location in Chicago was determined and the information promptly furnished the Bureau of Customs.

Upon contact by the Bureau of Customs, Clay and Hubert Muhammad, son of Elijah Muhammad, head of the NOI, and Clay's manager, appeared at the Bureau of Customs Office in Chicago. Muhammad did all of the talking and expressed a desire to settle the matter out of court immediately. He stated the jewelry was given Clay as a gift in lieu of payment for personal appearance in Germany and did not know it should be declared upon his re-entry to the United States. Penalty determined by duty on this merchandise estimated at \$2,196. Muhammad and Clay desired to pay penalty immediately; however, because of the amount involved, the Bureau of Customs, Washington, D. C., must make the decision as to whether to accept payment.

Bureau of Customs at Chicago advises matter will probably be settled out of court and payment accepted. Bureau of Customs requests no dissemination of this matter as they have agreed not to publicize it.

You will be advised of any pertinent additional developments.

ACTION:

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : Mr. Sullivan

DATE: 2/14/67

FROM : C. D. Brennan

1 - DeLoach  
1 - Wick  
1 - Sullivan  
1 - Gale  
1 - C.D. Brennan  
1 - Shackelford

SUBJECT: NATION OF ISLAM (NOI)  
INTERNAL SECURITY - NOI

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This is to advise you of the possible arrest of Cassius Clay, heavyweight boxing champion and NOI spokesman, by the Bureau of Customs, Treasury Department.

We have received information from the Bureau of Customs disclosing that agency has received a letter from Germany, source not identified, alleging Cassius Clay purchased jewelry there in excess of \$3,000. The declaration form executed by Clay upon his return to the United States did not declare this merchandise. Bureau of Customs believes it has "proof positive of a smuggling violation by Clay." Customs attempting to locate Clay for interview regarding this violation and possible arrest.

The Bureau of Customs has requested our aid in locating Clay. Through our top echelon informant coverage of the NOI, we are attempting to locate him and will advise them immediately.

The Bureau of Customs has requested we make no dissemination of this information as it might jeopardize their investigation.

Cassius Clay is the current subject of a Bureau investigation under Selective Service Act, 1948; Conscientious Objector, based on his claim of being a minister in the NOI. The NOI is an all-Negro, quasi-religious organization which espouses a line of violent hatred of the white race, Government, law, and law enforcement.

You will be kept advised of pertinent developments.

## ACTION:

None. For information.

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if they will be allowed to get away. He is in "untouchable".

Muhammad Ali-518

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : Mr. DeLoach

DATE: March 7, 1967

FROM : J. H. Gale

SUBJECT: CASSIUS MARCELLUS CLAY, JR.,  
also known as  
SELECTIVE SERVICE ACT, 1948 -  
CONSCIENTIOUS OBJECTOR

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Cassius Clay has appealed to General Hershey, National Director of Selective Service, that his case be considered by the Presidential Appeal Board. General Hershey has agreed to this request.

This information was furnished to the Bureau by a source of the Louisville Office, who advised most confidentially, requesting the information not be disseminated outside the Bureau. The source had no information as to when the Presidential Board might consider [redacted]. The source theorized that General Hershey acceded to [redacted] in order to make certain that when [redacted] takes his case into Federal Court, which his attorney has stated will be done if deferment not granted, the court can find no loophole in Selective Service handling of [redacted].

Colonel Daniel Omer, Deputy Director of Selective Service, confirmed on March 6, 1967, the filing of appeal by Clay. Omer pointed out that an interesting factor in this appeal is the fact that one member of the board is colored and to Omer's knowledge this is the only group or body that has considered Clay's lengthy efforts to avoid the draft on which there has been a member of his race. Omer said that this could very well preclude any future claim by Clay that there was prejudice shown in his case in that on no occasion was there one of his race involved in judging his plea for exemption from military duty.

ACTION:

This matter will continue to be followed and MAR 8 1967 will be kept advised.

- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Wick
- 1 - Mr. Gale
- 1 - Mr. Eddy
- 1 - Mr. Freund

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

## Memorandum

TO : The Director

DATE: 2/23/67

FROM : N. P. Callahan

SUBJECT: The Congressional Record

Page H1559. Congressman Michel, (R) Illinois, in commenting concerning Cassius Clay's draft status, remarked "This case should illustrate to Congress that revisions in our draft laws are needed. It may also call for an investigation of why Clay has not been allowed to serve in Vietnam as a conscientious objector - - - . He may look upon himself as 'the greatest,' but I am sure history will look upon him as 'the least' of all the men who have held the once-honorable title of 'Heavyweight Champion of the World.'"

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Cassius Clay

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In the original of a memorandum captioned and dated as above, the Congressional Record for 2-21-67 was reviewed and pertinent items were marked for the Director's attention. This form has been prepared in order that portions of a copy of the original memorandum may be clipped, mounted, and placed in appropriate Bureau case or subject matter files.

Muhammad Ali-520

Original filed in: 66-1731-3028

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Date: 4/24/67

Transmit the following in \_\_\_\_\_  
(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTEL \_\_\_\_\_  
(Priority)

Mr. Tolson	_____
Mr. DeLoach	_____
Mr. Mohr	_____
Mr. Wick	_____
Mr. Casper	_____
Mr. Callahan	_____
Mr. Conrad	_____
Mr. Felt	_____
Mr. Gale	_____
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Mr. Trotter	_____
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Miss Holmes	_____
Miss Gandy	_____

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-436351)

FROM: SAC, WFO (100-43298) (RUC)

CASSIUS MARCELLUS CLAY, JR., aka  
SM - NOIDECLASSIFIED BY SP3 BTJ/00  
ON 8-7-86Enclosed for the Bureau, Chicago, Houston,  
and Louisville, are appropriate number of copies of  
an LHM pertaining to a visit of CLAY to Washington, D. C.

The LHM has been classified "Confidential,"  
inasmuch as information received from the first source,  
[redacted] and the second source, [redacted] could  
result in the identification of confidential informants  
of continuing value and compromise future effectiveness  
thereof.

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## ENCLOSURE

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     (1 - 25-330971) (NOI)  
 2 - Chicago (Enc 2) (RM)  
     (1 - 100-35635) (NOI)  
 1 - Houston (Enc 1) (Info (AM-RM))  
 2 - Louisville (100-4558) (Enc 2) (RM)  
 2 - WFO  
     (1 - 100-22829) (NOI)

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Approved: *[Signature]*

Special Agent in Charge

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

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In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

April 24, 1967

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ON 8-9-86

CASSIUS MARCELLUS CLAY, JR.

The April 22, 1967, issue of "The Washington Post and Times Herald," a daily Washington, D. C., newspaper, on page B7 indicated that Cassius Clay was scheduled to speak at Howard University (HU) on April 22, 1967. The article indicated Cassius Clay was also known as Muhammad Ali. Dr. Nathan Hare, Associate Professor of Sociology, at HU, had indicated Clay would look over the HU Campus and make comments regarding Black Power. Hare was indicated to be spokesman for the Black Power Committee, which was sponsoring the rally.

The April 23, 1967, issue of "The Washington Post and Times Herald," on pages A1 and A6, contained an article which indicated that Cassius Clay had spoken on the HU Campus on April 22, 1967. He had addressed approximately 800 students. His talk in general concerned his "Black Muslim" religion and urged the students to seek the teachings of Elijah Muhammad, the national leader of the Black Muslims. Clay autographed copies of the Muslim newspaper, "Muhammad Speaks," after his speech.

The Washington, D. C., newspaper, "The Sunday Star," dated April 23, 1967, on page B-1, indicated that Cassius Clay in his appearance on the HU Campus spoke very little about his anti-Vietnam and anti-draft stand. Clay stated to the audience, "What nation are

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you from?" He went on to say, "Chinese are from China, Cubans are from Cuba. Where did you come from?" At one point, he recited from the play, "The White Man's Heaven Is the Black Man's Hell." To the delight of the crowd, Clay blasted white prejudice in America.

According to the newspaper article, the sale of "Muhammad Speaks" newspapers was greatly aided when Clay stated he would only autograph copies of that newspaper,

"The Washington Post and Times Herald," in its issue of April 24, 1967, on page B1, reflected that Clay, on April 23, 1967, visited the two correctional institutions at Lorton, Virginia, the Lorton Reformatory and the Youth Center; at both institutions he preached the word of the Black Muslim sect. The article stated that Clay said that the blacks are superior to whites and Islam is the only true religion.

This article further related that Clay is scheduled to tour several Washington, D. C., high schools and the District of Columbia Jail on April 24, 1967. He is scheduled to leave Washington, D. C., for Chicago, Illinois, on Tuesday, April 25, 1967, to confer with Elijah Muhammad, the national leader of the Nation of Islam (NOI). Clay will, reportedly, then fly to Houston, Texas, on Thursday, April 27, 1967.

Muhammad's Mosque Number Four (MM#4) and the NOI are characterized in the Appendix.

[A source advised on April 24, 1967, that Clay spoke at MM#4 on the afternoon of April 23, 1967. He talked about Black Power as advocated by Elijah

CASSIUS MARCELLUS CLAY, JR.

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Muhammad and said that the slavemaster, the white devil, was the reason for the downfall of the Negro. Clay stated that he preferred dying outright or going to jail than going into the Army. He said that persons belonging to other religious sects do not have to go into the Army because of their religious beliefs, so why should he, as a Muslim, be forced into the Army because his religious beliefs are against killing and military service.

This source further stated that Clay, on the evening of April 23, 1967, from 11 p.m. to 1 a.m., appeared on the WOL Radio Show "Speak Out," in Washington, D. C. He answered questions telephoned in by the listeners.

[A second source, on April 24, 1967, advised that at the meeting at MM#4, on April 23, 1967, Clay advised that he did not know what he would do on April 28, 1967, when he is supposed to report for induction into the Army. He said whatever he did would be on the guidance of the honorable Elijah Muhammad, his teacher and director.

Sources utilized in this memorandum have supplied reliable information in the past.

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~APPENDIXMUHAMMAD'S MOSQUE NUMBER FOUR OF THE  
NATION OF ISLAM, FORMERLY KNOWN AS  
MUHAMMAD'S TEMPLE OF ISLAM NUMBER FOUR

Harry Marvin Craighead, former Minister of Muhammad's Mosque Number Four (MM#4), formerly known as Muhammad's Temple of Islam Number Four (MTI#4) of the Nation of Islam (NOI), advised that Elijah Muhammad personally founded this temple at Washington, D. C., during 1939, and served as its Minister until 1942.

On January 20, 1958, Lucius X. Brown, self-identified as the Minister of MTI#4 of the NOI, advised that MTI#4 was under the leadership of Elijah Muhammad, the national leader of the NOI, and existed solely to serve his will and teachings. Brown stated that MTI#4 supported Elijah Muhammad both spiritually and financially.

On May 11, 1966, a source advised that MM#4 of the NOI continued to be in existence at 1519 Fourth Street, N.W., Washington, D. C.

The Nation of Islam is characterized separately in the Appendix.

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~~CONFIDENTIAL~~APPENDIXNATION OF ISLAM

In January, 1957, a source advised that Elijah Muhammad has described his organization on a nationwide basis as the "Nation of Islam" and "Muhammad's Temples of Islam."

On April 29, 1966, a second source advised that Elijah Muhammad is the national leader of the Nation of Islam (NOI); Muhammad's Temple of Islam No. 2, 5335 South Greenwood Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, is the national headquarters of the NOI; and in mid-1960, Muhammad and other NOI officials, when referring to Muhammad's organization on a nationwide basis, commenced using either "Mosque" or "Temple" when mentioning one of "Muhammad's Temples of Islam."

The NOI is an all-Negro organization which was originally organized in 1930 in Detroit, Michigan. Muhammad claims to have been selected by Allah, the Supreme Being, to lead the so-called Negro race out of slavery in the wilderness of North America by establishing an independent black nation in the United States. Members following Muhammad's teachings and his interpretation of the "Koran" believe there is no such thing as a Negro; that the so-called Negroes are slaves of the white race, referred to as "white devils," in the United States; and that the white race, because of its exploitation of the so-called Negroes, must and will be destroyed in the approaching "War of Armageddon."

In the past, officials and members of the NOI, including Muhammad, have refused to register under the provisions of the Selective Service Acts and have declared that members owe no allegiance to the United States.

On May 5, 1958, the first source advised that Muhammad had, upon advice of legal counsel, tempered his personal statements and instructions to his ministers concerning the principles of his organization in order to avoid possible prosecution by the United States Government; however, he did not indicate any fundamental changes in the teachings of his organization.

On May 2, 1966, a third source advised that Muhammad had, early in July, 1958, decided to de-emphasize the religious aspects of the teachings of Islam and to stress the economic benefits to be derived by those Negroes who joined the NOI. This policy change, according to Muhammad, would help him acquire additional followers and create more interest in his programs.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-436351)  
FROM: SAC, WFO (100-43298) (RUC)  
CASSIUS MARCELLUS CLAY, Jr. aka,  
SM - NOI

Mr. Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. DeLoach \_\_\_\_\_  
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Miss Holmes \_\_\_\_\_  
Miss Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

ReWFOairtel and LHM dated 4/24/67. The Baltimore and Charlotte Offices did not receive copies of this LHM which pertained to a previous visit by CLAY to Washington, D.C.

Baltimore,  
Enclosed for the Bureau, Charlotte, Chicago, Houston and Louisville are appropriate number of copies of an LHM pertaining to a visit of CLAY to Washington, D.C.

The LHM has been classified "~~Confidential~~" inasmuch as information received from the source, [ ] could result in the identification of a confidential informant of continuing value and compromise future effectiveness thereof.

A copy of the LHM is being designated for the Baltimore and Charlotte Offices as CLAY indicated in a newspaper article that he planned to travel to Baltimore and North Carolina.

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- 2 - Louisville (100-4558) (Encs. 2) (RM)
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

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In Reply, Please Refer to  
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May 1, 1967

APPROPRIATE AGENCIES  
AND FIELD OFFICES  
ADVISED BY ROUTING  
SLIP (S) BY Rtc  
DATE 3-13-80

CASSIUS MARCELLUS CLAY, JR.

Re Washington Field Office memorandum dated  
April 24, 1967.

A source, who has supplied reliable information in the past, on April 30, 1967, advised that on the afternoon of April 30, 1967, Muhammad Ali (Cassius Clay) appeared at Muhammad's Mosque No. 4 (MM #4), Washington, D.C.; he was introduced by Minister Lonnie Shabazz of MM #4.

Ali stated that the white devil press was surprised when he refused to be inducted into the United States Army. He said that he refused to be inducted because he was doing this for his people and that by refusing to be inducted he not only gave up his heavy-weight boxing championship but also his chance of making between \$10 and \$25,000,000.

Ali then talked about the so-called Negro having no God of his own but reaching for the same God who is the white God of America and who is blue-eyed and wears a beatnik-type beard. Ali further advised that the so-called Negro is the original man and is superior to the white devil.

The source stated there were about 300 to 400 people in attendance inside the Mosque and about 300 outside; a loud speaker was attached to the outside of the Mosque for the benefit of those not able to get into the Mosque. Among those present at the meeting was Clara Muhammad, the wife of Elijah Muhammad, the national leader of the Nation of Islam.

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MM #4 and the Nation of Islam (NOI)  
are described in the Appendix.

The "Washington Post and Times Herald," a daily Washington, D.C. newspaper, in its issue of May 1, 1967, on Page A-11 carried an article concerning a visit of Cassius Clay to Washington, D.C. This article stated that Clay arrived at Washington, D.C., on the evening of April 29, 1967, from Houston, Texas. The article stated that Clay slipped into town so quietly that the local Black Muslims did not know he was here. He called the local Black Muslim Mosque from his hotel room in the Washington-Hilton Hotel and shortly thereafter members of the Mosque picked him up and brought him to radio station WOOK for a brief interview. Clay then appeared on the WOOK television program entitled "Controversy." Clay stated that people say that he was wrong for being a Muslim and refusing to be drafted but that all he was doing was following the teachings of the Honorable Elijah Muhammad.

The newspaper article further advised that Clay stated that he was starting a nationwide tour for the Muslims. He was going to visit mosques all over the country. His first stop was at the local Mosque where the audience included Elijah Muhammad's wife, Clara. Clay stated that he picked Washington, D.C., as a starting point for his tour as this is the Capital of the Nation and more Negroes live here than anyone else. Clay stated that he planned on spending Monday and Tuesday (May 1 and 2, 1967) in Washington, D.C., and is scheduled to travel to Baltimore, Maryland, and North Carolina on Wednesday and Thursday.

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SAC, Louisville (100-4558)

5/10/67

Director, FBI (100-436351)

1 - Mr. Forsyth

CASSIUS MARCELLUS CLAY, JR.  
SM - NOI

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Review of the subject's security matter file at the Bureau indicates that the last report concerning him was submitted on June 5, 1964. You are instructed to submit an up-to-date report containing such information as to confirm his Nation of Islam (NOI) activities.

Particular attention should be devoted to including information indicating his ministerial activities and his promotion of the NOI cause.

In view of his activities in the NOI and his claim to be a minister of the NOI, you should submit a Form FD-122 and succinct summary recommending his name be placed in the Security Index.

This matter should be handled promptly.

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NOTE:

Subject in recent weeks has been claiming to be a minister in the NOI in order to avoid military service. To date this status has been denied by the United States Government and he is presently out on bond under indictment for refusing to take the oath and entering the United States Army.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : Mr. Sullivan

FROM : C. D. Brennan

SUBJECT: NATION OF ISLAM (NOI)  
INTERNAL SECURITY - NOI

- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Wick
- 1 - Mr. Gale
- 1 - Mr. Sullivan
- DATE: 5/9/67
- 1 - Mr. C.D. Brennan
- 1 - Mr. Basher

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Mr. Holmes ☒  
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This is to advise you of additional developments concerning Cassius Clay, former heavyweight boxing champion and Nation of Islam spokesman, and his involvement in a smuggling violation being handled by the Bureau of Customs, Treasury Department.

As you were previously advised, Clay allegedly purchased jewelry valued at \$3,000 in Germany and failed to declare the jewelry on a form executed by him upon his return to the United States. Upon contact by the Bureau of Customs, Clay alleged jewelry was a gift and did not know it had to be declared. He desired to pay the penalty immediately; however, because of the amount involved, Customs would not accept payment without checking with Bureau of Customs, Washington, D.C.

On 5/4/67, Al Aurilio, Customs Agency Service, United States Treasury Department, Chicago, advised our Chicago Office that the Customs Bureau, Washington, D.C., has stated the matter of Clay's involvement in smuggling will be handled administratively and a penalty of approximately \$1,480 will be levied against him. No further action will be taken by Customs.

## ACTION:

None. For information

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[Redacted Address]

Sacramento, California 95802

Dear [Redacted Name]

I have received your letter of April 29th and want to thank you for sending me your comments.

Although this Bureau has investigative jurisdiction over violations of the Selective Service Act of 1948, the FBI is strictly an investigative agency of the Federal Government and does not determine if prosecution will be instituted in any situation. The results of our investigations are referred to the United States Department of Justice for a decision as to whether or not prosecutive action will be undertaken.

I want to assure you that we in the FBI are well aware of our responsibilities and are doing everything within our power to discharge our duties with the same thoroughness and dispatch which have characterized our investigations in the past.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

NOTE: Correspondent is not identifiable in Bufiles. Cassius Clay is well known to the Bureau and is the subject of a Selective Service Act - 1948 investigation for refusal to be inducted into the armed services.

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Sacramento California

April 29th. 1967

To Mr. J. Edgar Hoover

Federal Bureau of Investigation

Washington, D.C.

Re- Cassius Clay or  
Mohammed Ali

Sir:

I must admit that I have some difficulty understanding this man called Clay. It seems from news reports that he has done exactly what, The Man without a Country did many years ago. If this is true ..Then why not strip Clay of all his wealth and fame and let people see what it means to deny ones country.

I have heard that this man will no doubt put up a small bond and disappear into the middle east Moselm Countries. Now I know and you know that to do this legally Clay needs a Pass Port. Whats to keep us from picking up that passport and fociably detaining Clay in jail until trial? Unamerican ? Not on your beloved head.. You Mr. Hoover have power to make sure this man does not escape to thumb his nose at Uncle Sam and We the People, who made him rich and famous. Please use that power to make sure Clay pays the penalty for his disgraceful conduct.. Teach him that Being an American, comes First, before the color of a man's skin. His religion, or his ideas of what is right and wrong..

Only eternal vigilance has kept us safe so far and Clay has enjoyed all the rights every American is proud of. Stripping him bare would not be cruel and unjust when that person had denied his own birthright. I hope and pray that your department will not let Clay skip out of our country unpunished for his actions.

I know of no greater service your Department can render than to make sure this man lives to regret his disloyalty. Clay says he preaches 90 per cent of his time.. He had to swear this..and the

was perjury.. Sincerely yours

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TO: DIRECTOR, LITTLE ROCK, HOUSTON AND CHICAGO

FROM: CLEVELAND (100-26690) 1P

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CASSIUS MARCELLUS CLAY, JR., AKA., SMI - NOI

LOCAL NEWS MEDIA THIS AM REPORT THAT CASSIUS CLAY  
IS COMING TO CLEVELAND SIX FOUR SIX SEVEN, TO MEET [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AND OTHER

NATIONALLY PROMINENT NEGRO ATHLETES THROUGHTOUT THE U.S. PURPOSE OF  
MEETING IS REPORTEDLY TO URGE CASSIUS CLAY TO CHANGE HIS MIND ABOUT  
THE DRAFT AND TO ACCEPT INDUCTION.

STORY ATTRIBUTED TO SPOKESMAN FOR NEGRO INDUSTRIAL AND  
ECONOMIC UNION WHICH MAINTAINS HEADQUARTERS AT ONE ZERO FIVE  
ONE FIVE EUCLID. THIS GROUP KNOWN TO HAVE BEEN ORGANIZED BY

[REDACTED] TO

PROVIDE ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE TO NEGROES.

CLEVELAND NOI SOURCES ALERTED AND KNOW OF NO EFFORTS  
BEING MADE BY CLEVELAND NOI TEMPLE TO INFLUENCE CLAY'S DECISION  
NOR TO ENTERTAIN CLAY WHILE IN CLEVELAND.

BUREAU AND INTERESTED OFFICES WILL BE KEPT ADVISED.

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FBI WASH DC

59 JUN 4 1967  
CC: MR. SULLIVAN

MR. DELOACH FOR THE DIRECTOR

JUN 6 1967

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO

DIRECTOR, FBI (100-436351)

DATE: 6/13/67

FROM

SAC, CHARLOTTE (100-10344) (RUC)

SUBJECT:

CASSIUS MARCELLUS CLAY, JR., Aka  
SM - NOI

Re WFO airtel to Bureau dated 5/1/67.

Appropriate sources were alerted per referenced airtel, and no information has come to this division from either sources or informants that subject appeared in N. C.

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Mr. J. Edgar Hoover  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D. C.

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Dear Sir:

Having given eight years of my life to United States in World War and 2 and Korean service, I am just wondering why men like Stokely Carmichael are being allowed to speak at different groups throughout the country, advising potential material for the Armed Forces to disregard their call for service.

I am enclosing herewith two articles on Carmichael that appeared in the local press and also another little clipping about Cassius Clay.

In Carmichael's case, he originally came from Trinidad. Was given a College education at our expense and at the present moment he is the biggest "rabble rouser" we have in this country. I think it is high time that this man was brought to face realities. He either gets into the service, or ship him back to Trinidad.

Better yet, put Clay and Carmichael on the fastest jet we have, on a one way ticket to Russia.

Yours very truly,  
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THE NEW HAVEN PRESS

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## Carmichael

## Stirring Hate

## On Campuses

JACKSON, Miss. (AP)—More than 600 Negroes at Tougaloo College joined in chanting "Hell no, we ain't going" to Vietnam after the phrase was used in a speech by Stokely Carmichael last night.

The chairman of the Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee used the words in urging his listeners at the campus north of Jackson to go to jail rather than fight.

"Why should a Negro go 8,000 miles to shoot a man that ain't never called him nigger?" Carmichael asked. "We must tell them, 'Hell no, we ain't going.'"

Carmichael's lieutenants distributed orange bumper stickers bearing the slogan while he spoke.

Commenting on the racial violence in Nashville, Tenn., Carmichael said, "It is not a riot, it is a rebellion. You ought to be proud of your black brothers at Fisk. The days of a hunkie cop running into our neighborhood, beating us up and running out are gone. We want to instill in our people the right to fight back on anybody who messes with us."

Carmichael said if "we are violent the United States taught us very well how to be violent."

Carmichael told the audience George Washington was a "hunkie slave-owner" who "sold a black woman for a barrel of syrup . . . but the only thing they can give in the history books is how George Washington chopped down a cherry tree . . . now ain't that a joke?"

In Montgomery, Ala., the Alabama House asked the Justice Department "and other enforcement agencies bring prompt and effective action against Carmichael for sedition and treason."

The resolution approved by the House Tuesday and sent to the Senate for concurrence called recent acts by Carmichael "sedition, un-American and calculated to overthrow" the government of the United States.

The resolution was prompted by a speech made at Birmingham's Miles College last week.

During that speech, Carmichael said, "to hell with the laws of the United States."

## Clay Coddled?

EGLIN AFB, Fla. — I have been a God fearing man all of my adult life, have served my country honestly and faithfully for 26 years, and will continue to do so. Where I read and see such display of disregard for the law of the land as demonstrated by Cassius Clay, I cannot help but wonder what our next generation will be like. We will probably require a sizeable army to protect ourselves from one another.

I am sure that if I informed my Commander I was quitting and would not report for duty, it would not take two months to prepare the necessary charges to have me where I would belong.

If such misconduct is allowed to continue, and it takes two months even two hours to deal out justice, it is time we should get a new deck and dealer.

CMSgt. CHAS. G. SHACKLETT

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TITLE OF CASE <b>CHANGED CASSIUS MARCELLUS CLAY, JR., aka. Cassius Marsellus Clay, Jr., Cassius X, Cassius, "Gee", Muhammad Ali</b>		REPORT MADE BY <b>SA [redacted]</b>	TYPED BY <b>eb; mfm</b>
		CHARACTER OF CASE <b>SM - NOI</b>	

Title is marked changed to reflect the spelling of subject's middle name as "Marsellus", as contained in the Selective Service records of CLAY at Local Draft Board 47, Louisville, Kentucky.

## REFERENCES:

Louisville report of SA [redacted] 6/5/64  
Bureau letter to Louisville, 5/10/67.

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This report is being classified as "Secret" in view of information set forth herein from [LS T-9] which information could result in the identification of this valuable source.

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Attached teletype relates to publicized meeting between CASSIUS CLAY and various prominent Negro athletes ostensibly for the purpose of persuading CLAY to agree to induction into Armed Forces. CLAY reportedly made announcement after meeting that he was not going into the service.

CLAY'S trial for refusal to be inducted into the Armed Forces scheduled for 6/19/67. Two appeals based on racial discrimination and his religion are scheduled to be ruled on by Supreme Court 6/5/67. This matter is being followed closely and Department being advised in writing.

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*SELECTIVE SERVICE, AKA*  
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A SOURCE WHO HAS FURNISHED RELIABLE INFORMATION IN THE PAST  
AND WHO WAS IN ATTENDENCE AT MEETING WHERE CLAY MET WITH NATIONALLY  
KNOWN NEGRO ATHLETES ADVISES CLAY MADE PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT  
THIS EVENING THAT HE WAS NOT GOING INTO THE SERVICE AND WOULD  
RATHER GO TO THE PENITENTIARY.

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Very truly yours,

*John Edgar Hoover*  
John Edgar Hoover  
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Title: CASSIUS MARCELLUS CLAY, JR.

Character: SECURITY MATTER - NATION OF ISLAM

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Synopsis: Sources report MUHAMMAD ALI (CASSIUS CLAY) continues as Nation of Islam (NOI) member, and attended various mosques and/or meetings at Atlanta, Ga.; Baltimore, Md.; Chicago, Ill.; Cleveland, Ohio; Detroit, Mich.; Houston, Texas; Louisville, Ky.; Miami, Fla.; New York City; Philadelphia, Pa.; Trenton, N. J.; and Washington, D. C. In February and March, 1966, sources reported CLAY, at Annual Muslim Convention, wore uniform of Captain in Fruit of Islam (FOI), but holds no position of authority and wearing of uniform was only honorary; however, one source advised that ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, in addressing Annual Muslim Convention, on 2/27/66, referred to CLAY as a Captain in FOI. During interview on 6/7/66, in connection with another matter, RAYMOND SHARRIEFF, son-in-law of ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, advised CLAY just active member of NOI and holds no official position, rank or title within the NOI. During interview on 6/11/66, regarding another matter, ELIJAH MUHAMMAD advised CLAY not a minister or Captain, but a regular member of the NOI. Letter dated 2/14/66, received by LDB #47, Louisville, Ky., from [redacted] requested [redacted]

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[redacted] News article dated 2/18/66 quotes CLAY as saying he has no personal quarrel with Vietcong, and why should Muslims get involved. On 8/23/66, CLAY first requested to be classified 4-D, as a minister of Islam religion. News articles quote CLAY as

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saying on 7/26/66, he expects to retire and become a minister; and on 8/24/66, as saying "It's true--I'm a minister, I have been for the past two years....Mr. Covington (attorney) noticed it...it just never was published." Thereafter, sources report appearances of CLAY, in claimed ministerial capacity, wherein he lectured, following NOI teachings. News articles quote CLAY as saying, "As long as Muhammad (Elijah Muhammad) lets me fight, I will fight. If he tells me to quit, I will quit."...., "I'm a follower of Elijah Muhammad. He's the boss....", and further that "I'll go wherever Elijah Muhammad wants me to go...." News articles carry reports of CLAY's claims of numerous conversions to NOI. Sources report HERBERT MUHAMMAD, son of ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, managing CLAY's activities and closely associated with CLAY. Sources also state CLAY has undertaken boxing tours to obtain funds for NOI and to give CLAY opportunity to extoll ELIJAH MUHAMMAD and his teachings, and to promote NOI image. CLAY indicted by FGJ, Houston, Texas, on 5/8/67, for violation Title 50, App. 50, USC, Section 462. Trial date set for 6/19/67, Houston, Texas. *K U*

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DETAILS:

The following organizations are characterized in the Appendix of this report:

Nation of Islam (NOI)  
Fruit of Islam (FOI)  
Muslim Girls Training (MGT)  
Muhammad's Mosque No. 1 (MM-1)  
Muhammad's Mosque No. 4 (MM-4)  
Muhammad's Mosque No. 6 (MM-6)  
Muhammad's Mosque No. 7 (MM-7)  
Muhammad's Mosque No. 12 (MM-12)  
Muhammad's Mosque No. 15 (MM-15)  
Muhammad's Temple of Islam No. 18 (MTI-18)  
Muhammad's Mosque No. 29 (MM-29)  
Muhammad's Mosque of Islam, 3400 Polk, Houston, Texas  
Muhammad's Temple of Islam, San Antonio, Texas  
Muhammad's Temple of Islam (MTI), Trenton, New Jersey  
Muhammad's Temple of Islam No. 37 (MTI-37)  
Organization of Afro-American Unity, Inc. (OAAU)  
Muslim Mosque, Inc. (MMI)

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I. BACKGROUND

A. Residences and Employment

On March 9, 1967, [REDACTED] 50th On The Lake Motel, East 50th and Southshore, Chicago, Illinois, advised that CASSIUS CLAY maintains a permanent accommodation at the motel which is suite number 124.

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In a brief filed in U. S. Court of Appeals, Sixth Circuit, Cincinnati, Ohio, on April 12, 1967, in connection with the draft status of CLAY, his residence is shown as the city of Houston, Harris County, Texas, before which he resided in Miami, Florida, and before that, was a resident of Louisville, Kentucky.

The plaintiff, MUHAMMAD ALI, also known as CASSIUS M. CLAY, JR., after registering for the draft, filed his Selective Service Questionnaire with the draft board in Louisville, Kentucky, on March 13, 1961. In the questionnaire, he showed he was born in Louisville, Kentucky, on January 17, 1942, and listed his occupation as that of a professional boxer.

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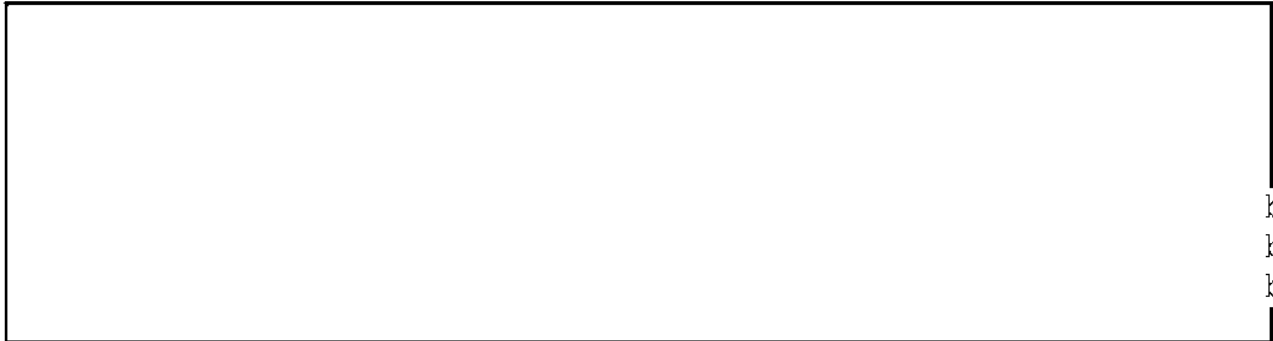
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The May 23, 1967, issue of the Chicago American, a daily newspaper published at Chicago, Illinois, contained an article indicating CASSIUS CLAY had decided not to make Houston his permanent home and will stay at his Miami house, at least until June 19.

In an article appearing in the May 18, 1967, issue of the Miami News, a Miami, Florida, daily newspaper, by reporter BOB CORCORAN, it is indicated that the former world's heavyweight champion, CASSIUS CLAY, was caught without a speech or a driver's license and booked in Dade County Jail, Dade County, Florida. The charge was based on an October 19, 1966, traffic violation for which CLAY was ticketed, but failed to show up in court. At the booking desk, CLAY said that he was CASSIUS M. CLAY of 4610 Northwest 15th Court, Miami, Florida.

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On May 18, 1967, Captain [redacted] Dade County Public Safety Department, advised CLAY was arrested on that date on the East-West Expressway, Miami, Florida, by an officer of that department for driving without a driver's license. He was booked in the Dade County Jail at 10:30 A.M. and charged with driving without a license, failure to keep promise to appear for previous traffic violation (improper turn). He posted a \$75.00 cash bond and was released from jail at 11:40 A.M. He furnished his address as the Hampton House, Miami, Florida.

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[On May 24, 1967, LS T-1] advised that as of early May, 1967, CLAY was heavyweight boxing champion of the world, but that the title has been taken from him since then by several boxing commissions.

It is noted that the information furnished by [redacted] during an investigation of [redacted] mentioned above was obtained [redacted]

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B. Marital Status

SONJI ROY

On August 25, 1964, a review of the records of the Clerk of Lake County, Lake County Courthouse, Crown Point, Indiana, revealed that marriage application and license number B-30642, dated August 14, 1964, reflects MUHAMMAD ALI and SONJI M. ROY made application for a marriage license on August 14, 1964. MUHAMMAD ALI indicated his date of birth as January 17, 1942, in Louisville, Kentucky. He listed his residence as Chicago, Illinois. He stated he had never been married before and his race was indicated as Negro. His occupation was listed as a professional athlete. He listed his father as CASSIUS M. CLAY, a native of Louisville, Kentucky, whose occupation was listed as commercial artist. His father's residence was listed as Louisville, Kentucky. His mother was shown as ODESSA GRADY, a native of Kentucky, and her residence was shown as Louisville, Kentucky.

MRS CASSIUS MARCELLUS CLAY  
 (NR)

SONJI M. ROY indicated her date of birth as November 23, 1941, at Chicago, Illinois. On her application, she indicated she resided in Gary, Indiana. She stated that she had never been married and her race was listed as Negro. Her occupation was given as a newspaper employee. She listed her father as LEONARD ROY, a native of Louisiana, and her mother as MARGARET SWEENEY, a native of Illinois. Her parents were shown as Negro, and both deceased.

An entry in the marriage license record reflects that MUHAMMAD ALI and SONJI M. ROY were married in Gary, Indiana, on August 14, 1964, by Justice of the Peace HOYT C. BROWN. The marriage performance executed by Justice of the Peace BROWN indicated both parties were residents of Cook County, Illinois.

An article appearing in the August 15, 1964, issue of the Chicago Sun Times, a Chicago daily newspaper, reflected that MUHAMMAD ALI was married in Gary, Indiana on August 14, 1964, to Chicago model SONJI ROY, age 24.

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The article stated the bride holds membership in the Black Muslims, and MUHAMMAD ALI indicated that a gallant reception was planned in Chicago in about two weeks. The article also indicated they gave [redacted] as a Chicago address in obtaining a license at Crown Point, Indiana.

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On August 21, 1964, LS T-2 advised that officials of the Nation of Islam (NOI) in Chicago, Illinois, suggested to [redacted] that he be married in [redacted]. The source related that [redacted] is not a resident of [redacted] and that she lives in [redacted] and is a member of the Muslim Girls Training (MGT) of Temple No. 2 in Chicago. She has never appeared at Temple meetings in [redacted] and is not affiliated with the [redacted].

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The April 2, 1966, edition of the Miami Herald, a Miami, Florida, daily newspaper, contained an article by C. G. BERNING, a Staff Writer, which reflects that CLAY was to appear at Dade County Circuit Court on April 1, 1966, in connection with his failure to make alimony payments to his former wife, SONJI, and also for failing to make payments to SONJI's attorneys as ordered in the divorce decree. (It is noted CASSIUS CLAY was granted a divorce from his wife, SONJI CLAY, at Miami, Florida, on January 7, 1966.)

Neither CLAY nor SONJI were present at the hearing. Her attorney claimed that CLAY failed to make any alimony payments to her. He produced a \$1,250.00 "insufficient funds" check drawn on the account of "Mohammed Ali Enterprises, Inc."

The hearing was before Dade County Circuit Judge HAROLD SPAET, who ordered that CLAY must make the necessary payments or appear before him the following Tuesday, April 5, 1966. Judge SPAET indicated, according to the article, that CLAY was "close to a jail sentence".

The April 5, 1966, edition of the Miami News, a Miami, Florida, daily newspaper, contained an article by reporter MORT LUCOFF, which reports that CLAY was held in contempt of

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court by Judge SPAET in an oral order after CLAY failed to appear in that court. The article showed that CLAY could purge himself of the contempt charge by coming up with a total of \$25,000, due for two monthly alimony payments of \$1,250.00 each and \$22,500 in attorney fees.

According to this article, CLAY also failed to appear before the court on April 5, 1966. The Judge was reported as saying, "I intend to give him a 30-day sentence." SONJI's attorneys told the court that they had been offered two checks, one for \$2,500 alimony and another for \$10,000, "on account" for attorney fees. These checks, they said, were drawn on Muslim Temple No. 2 and endorsed in that fashion by CLAY. These attorneys said they were timorous about accepting these checks because of a similar check for the first alimony payment, which check had bounced because of insufficient funds.

An article appearing in the April 6, 1966, edition of the Miami Herald, by C. G. BERNING and ROBERT HARDIN, Herald Staff Writers, shows that CLAY's lawyers "survived a stunning blow which almost put their client in jail Tuesday." According to the article, an agreement was reached giving CLAY 48 hours to come up with \$26,250.00, thus saving CLAY from arrest at that time. The article stated that Sheriff's Deputies were out looking for CLAY to arrest him on a contempt of court order issued by Judge SPAET.

The April 8, 1966, edition of the Miami Herald contained an article by the above-named Herald Staff Writers which shows that SONJI CLAY collected \$27,500 in checks from her ex-husband, CASSIUS CLAY, on Thursday, April 7, 1966. The article shows that CLAY was not present in court on that date. It showed that CLAY did save about \$78,000 in income taxes when Judge SPAET ordered SONJI to sign a joint income tax return.

There was an indication that CLAY would have to post bond guaranteeing future alimony payments to his wife.

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SONJI was quoted, in this article, as saying, "I'm just not going to get married again, never for ten years. I'm not going to let him slide out of his alimony."

According to an April 7, 1966, article in the Miami News by Reporter FRANK MURRAY, CLAY's payment on April 7, 1966, in the amount of \$26,250.00, included alimony for two months since the divorce, at \$1,250.00 a month, legal fees of \$22,500 for the divorce case, another \$1,000 in legal fees for Tuesday's proceedings, and \$250.00 for SONJI's expenses in coming to Miami.

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[On November 10, 1966, LS T-3] advised that there have been rumors, none official or reliable, that [redacted] was considering [redacted]. The rumors had indicated that [redacted] if true, could be to [redacted]. There are no definite plans for [redacted] and nothing has been officially announced.

On November 10, 1966, LS T-3 advised that ~~RAYMOND X~~ BOYD is a Lieutenant at Temple No. 2 of the NOI in Chicago, Illinois. MEMBER NATION OF ISLAM

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On December 15, 1966, LS T-1 advised that it now appears [redacted] will [redacted]  
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[redacted] Chicago, Illinois, [redacted] has been [redacted]  
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[redacted] this girl is completely under the control of HERBERT MUHAMMAD. and will do as he says. The proposed [redacted] MUHAMMAD. X [redacted] has been arranged by HERBERT

Characterization of HERBERT MUHAMMAD is set forth in another section of this report on Page 14, and Mosque No. 2 is characterized in connection with the characterization of the NOI in the Appendix section of this report.



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## II. ACTIVITIES OF CLAY

### A. Attendance at Mosques and General Activity

An article in the May 22, 1964, issue of "Muhammad Speaks" reports that prior to flying to Cairo, the heavyweight boxing champion visited a number of mosques on the West Coast, spoke to capacity auditoriums, signed countless autographs and praised the teaching of the Honorable ELIJAH MUHAMMAD for the inspiration and insight it had given him.

"Muhammad Speaks" is self described in its various issues as "dedicated to freedom, justice and equality for the so-called Negro", and as being published by Muhammad's Mosque No. 2, Chicago, Illinois, on a bi-weekly basis.

On May 8, 1964, LS T-4 advised that CASSIUS CLAY, the world's heavyweight champion of boxing, lectured on Islam at Temple No. 6, 514 Wilson Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland, on May 6, 1964. The champion's Muslim name is MUHAMMAD ALI, and he seemed very proud to proclaim it as he spoke to a fairly crowded temple of Muslims and visitors. MUHAMMAD ALI informed the audience he was very glad to be a Muslim, and that ELIJAH MUHAMMAD was the greatest teacher and leader of the so-called Negro. He urged the audience to buy the official paper of the Muslims, "Muhammad Speaks", and asked all non-believers to join into their own kind. ~~X~~ u

On May 18, 1964, LS T-5 advised that a meeting of the Fruit of Islam (FOI) was held at the NOI Mosque No. 7, 102 West 116th Street, New York City, on May 11, 1964. During the course of the meeting, the main speaker indicated that MUHAMMAD ALI sold 2,000 copies of autographed "Muhammad Speaks" in Maryland a few weeks previous. ~~X~~ u

On May 13, 1964, LS T-6 advised there was an NOI meeting at Muhammad's Mosque No. 6, 514-16 Wilson Street,

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Baltimore, Maryland, on Sunday, May 10, 1964. Minister [redacted] was speaking and he talked of the visit of CASSIUS CLAY, saying he was the only black heavyweight champion of the world to visit cities to see his own people. He said never before in history has a man of his position expressed his love for his own people. He said never has a black man been known to say to the world that he does not want the white woman, but his own. He said he feels this way because he was taught to love his people by Mr. MUHAMMAD. Minister [redacted] said CLAY is going overseas and will return in time to attend the bazaar to be given at Mosque No. 6 for three days. There will be an overflow crowd for this... Minister [redacted] said that the Catholics are mad with CLAY because he gave some money to the NOI, and not to the Christian world, but he said that is what he should have done. He said CLAY is a Muslim and will always be as long as he lives. *44*

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[redacted] has been a member of NATION OF ISLAM of the NOI since 1943. On May 15, 1964, a source advised that [redacted] is minister of Muhammad's Temple of Islam No. 6, Baltimore, Maryland, and that the minister is the highest official of the temple.

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On July 2, 1964, LS T-7 advised a Muslim meeting was held in the Brock Building, Louisville, Kentucky, between 8:30 and 10:00 P.M., on July 1, 1964, wherein CASSIUS CLAY, the boxer, was in attendance. The entire meeting consisted of a talk by CLAY concerning his recent tour of the "old country". *44*

CLAY told of his trip to Africa, and about being presented a piece of stone 4,000 years old and two gold statues; the latter two given by CLAY to ELIJAH MUHAMMAD. During the course of his talk, he indicated that the publicity about "I am the King" was to get a bigger crowd for the fight gate. He told the group he had been with the Black Muslim movement for three years before anyone found out about it. He claimed he learned

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more from the Muslims than he did in school, and that the peaceful civil rights demonstrations are leading up to a fight. u  
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On July 1, 1964, LS T-8 advised that an NOI meeting was held on June 26, 1964, at Muhammad's Mosque No. 7, 102 West 116th Street, New York City, in which MUHAMMAD ALI was in attendance. u

[On July 30, 1964, LS T-9] advised that HERBERT MUHAMMAD told RAYMOND SHARRIEFF he found out that [redacted] gave [redacted] \$2,500.00 for a part interest in his business, and that [redacted] indicated he was going to get [redacted] to give him another \$2,500.00 for a share of his business for [redacted]. b6  
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[LS T-9] further indicated that [redacted] went to Miami, Florida, with [redacted] and talked to [redacted] who gave him a package to deliver to the Messenger. The package contained \$6,000.00. b6  
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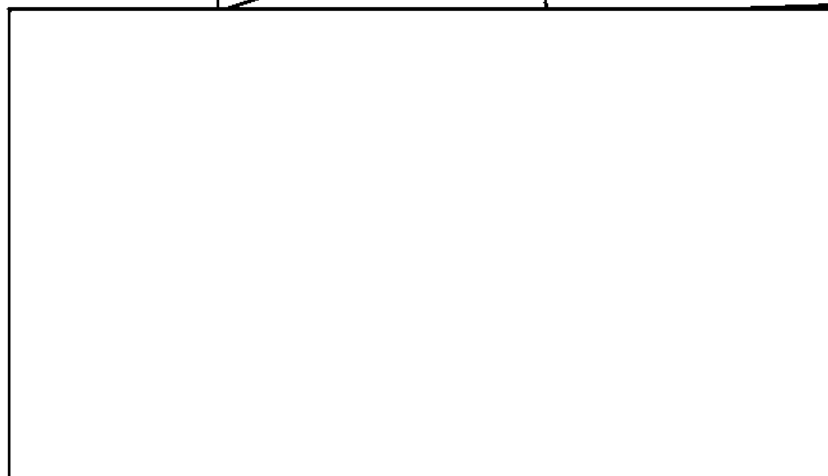
[On March 11, 1964, LS T-10] described HERBERT MUHAMMAD as the Public Relations Director of the NOI, Circulation Manager of "Muhammad Speaks", a newspaper, and a son of ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, who travels extensively throughout the world on behalf of ELIJAH MUHAMMAD. u

[On March 11, 1964, LS T-10] advised that RAYMOND SHARRIEFF is the Supreme Captain of the FOI and is the son-in-law of ELIJAH MUHAMMAD. The source said SHARRIEFF formulates and enforces NOI "laws" relating to discipline and security measures for the protection of ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, and NOI property. u

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[On March 10, 1964, LS T-1] advised that since about March of 1963, [redacted] had been closely associated with [redacted] and in the source's opinion, [redacted] is a confirmed Black Muslim.

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[In May, 1967, LS T-3] advised NATHANIEL MUHAMMAD is one of ELIJAH MUHAMMAD's sons and is a member of Muhammad's Temple No. 2, Chicago, Illinois.

On May 13, 1964, LS T-12 advised that on May 6, 1964, a meeting was held at Temple No. 6, 514 Wilson Street, Baltimore, Maryland. After the meeting was opened, CASSIUS CLAY spoke. About 350 people were inside and about 60 or 70 downstairs, and outside. CASSIUS CLAY spoke of his fight and how by becoming a member of NOI, Mr. MUHAMMAD helped him to become the champion and tell him things about himself that no white man ever taught or told him. He said that every black person should buy Mr. MUHAMMAD's paper and become a Muslim, and stop trying to be white when they know their color will never change and they will be classed as black as long as they have one drop of black blood in them. He said he never knew how lucky he was until he heard about Mr. MUHAMMAD and followed his teaching.

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He said that he talked, and read that many people thought he talked too much; but that the white man has always talked and lied, and they were not to blame for it but that after hearing Mr. MUHAMMAD, he cannot talk enough and the white man will never have to worry about him marrying into his race, as SAMMY DAVIS or other black men.... If he were penniless, he would not want to be anything other than a Muslim and a follower of Mr. MUHAMMAD.

[On July 2, 1964, LS T-13<sup>XU</sup> advised that on June 28, 1964, an NOI rally was held at the 369th Regimental Army Armory, 142nd Street and Fifth Avenue, New York City, by Muhammad's Mosque No. 7, 102 West 116th Street, New York City. After several speakers, including ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, CASSIUS CLAY, or MUHAMMAD ALI, then came up. He said NASSER's first question to him was about ELIJAH MUHAMMAD. He said that throughout his travels in Africa as a Muslim, following ELIJAH MUHAMMAD he gained attention.

On July 6, 1964, substantially the same information, as above, was received from LS T-14; from LS T-5 on June 30, 1964; from LS T-15 on July 1, 1964; from LS T-13 on July 2, 1964; from LS T-16 on June 29, 1964; from LS T-17 on July 8, 1964; and from LS T-18 on July 8, 1964. <sup>XU</sup>

On July 7, 1964, LS T-12 advised that on Sunday, June 28, 1964, a meeting was held in New York at the Armory at 142nd Street and Lennox Avenue. This was a meeting of the NOI. Mr. MUHAMMAD spoke, as did CASSIUS CLAY. The latter stated he made his visit short to be able to attend the meeting in New York in order to hear Mr. MUHAMMAD speak. He said he was welcomed abroad so great that he did not want to leave, but he would rather be near Mr. MUHAMMAD, his leader and teacher, as much as possible to help he and his followers as much as he can. <sup>XU</sup>

[On July 21, 1964, LS T-19<sup>XU</sup> advised that approximately 3,000 men and 3,000 women were in attendance at an NOI rally held at the 369th Regimental Army Armory, 142nd Street and Fifth Avenue, New York City, on June 28, 1964. MUHAMMAD ALI was present at this rally.

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On August 25, 1964, LS T-20 advised that on August 17, 1964, Sister [redacted] had a conversation with a photographer and during the course of the conversation, she said that [redacted] was a member of the [redacted]

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On May 27, 1966, LS T-21 advised he recalled seeing CLAY at meetings of Mosque No. 29 held at their temple, 4507 N. W. 17th Avenue, Miami, Florida, on July 17, and on August 2, 1964. He also recalled that in late August or early September, 1964, an announcement was made that a Muslim meeting or party was to be held at 4610 N. W. 15th Court, in Miami. This address is CLAY's Miami address. For some reason, the meeting or party was cancelled and to his knowledge, was never rescheduled. ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

On May 27, 1966, LS T-22 advised he recalls that CLAY was a frequent visitor of Mosque No. 29 meetings held during 1964, when he was in the Miami area, but that he did not take any official part in these activities during that time. ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

On June 10, 1966, LS T-23 advised that to his knowledge,  has been in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, on two occasions. On both occasions,  attended meetings of Muhammad's Mosque No. 12. One of the meetings was an open meeting at the arena, 46th and Market Streets, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. He believes the meeting was held sometime in 1964. ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ b7D

On June 10, 1966, LS T-24 furnished substantially the same information as LS T-23. ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

On December 4, 1964, LS T-25 advised that the heavy-weight champion CASSIUS CLAY and his wife attended a meeting of the NOI held on November 29, 1964, at Muhammad's Temple of Islam No. 2, 5335 South Greenwood, Chicago, Illinois. ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

LS T-25 advised on January 5, 1965, that CASSIUS CLAY was present at a meeting of the NOI held in Mosque No. 2, Chicago, Illinois, on November 27, 1964. ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

On January 3, 1965, LS T-26 advised that a meeting for the public was held on January 3, 1965, at Mosque No. 2, Chicago, Illinois. The source indicated that CASSIUS CLAY was present. ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

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[On January 13, 1965, LS T-19 advised that a dinner-social was held on January 12, 1965, for the NOI - FOI. [redacted] was the honored guest, and was the featured speaker. During the course of [redacted] talk, he indicated that the white men tried to buy him like they did MARTIN LUTHER KING. He said that [redacted] came to his house and tried to talk him out of joining the Muslims, that he was making a mistake, but he would not listen to him. This meeting was held in New York City.

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On January 13, 1965, LS T-13 advised that a meeting of the NOI was held at Muhammad's Mosque No. 7, 102 West 116th Street, New York City, on January 10, 1965. MUHAMMAD ALI (CASSIUS CLAY) was called up to speak.

[On January 22, 1965, LS T-14 advised that in a meeting of the NOI on January 15, 1965, at 102 West 116th Street, New York City, one of the speakers said that CASSIUS CLAY would be at the mosque in New York City on Sunday, and he would have something good to talk about. He could not reveal what CLAY had to offer, but "it is great".

[On January 21, 1965, LS T-27 advised that MUHAMMAD ALI (CASSIUS CLAY) was present at the regular Sunday afternoon meeting of the NOI on January 17, 1965, at Temple No. 7, New York City, which was attended by about 250 people. The source indicated that MUHAMMAD ALI was introduced, but he merely stood up and stated that there was nothing he could add to what the minister had already said, and he greeted the people present.

[On January 22, 1965, LS T-13 advised a meeting was held on Sunday, January 17, 1965, at Muhammad's Mosque No. 7, Fourth Floor, 102 West 116th Street, New York City, at 2:00 P.M. The source indicated that CASSIUS CLAY was asked to say a few words, but said he had nothing to say behind the minister and that his head was spinning with the eleven new things he had not heard before.

[On February 12, 1965, LS T-8 advised that on January 12, 1965, an NOI dinner-social was held at the Audubon

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Ballroom, 166th Street and Broadway, New York City, by Muhammad's Mosque No. 7. MUHAMMAD ALI was one of the two outstanding speakers of the evening. He spoke about the teachings of ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, how he is cleaning up the so-called Negroes and making them proud of themselves. He told the people to look at the group there assembled and no one was smoking, drinking or no one was drunk. He said none of the men or women are going after anyone's woman or man, and it is only through the teachings of ELIJAH MUHAMMAD that they are able to find a crowd such as that.

MUHAMMAD ALI spoke of the time he went to the hospital. He said the doctor asked his name and he told the doctor that he was MUHAMMAD ALI. The doctor wanted to know if he was given his name through the courts and CLAY said to the doctor that he did not have to go to the courts, that he was given the name by the Messenger of Allah, the Honorable ELIJAH MUHAMMAD.

[On March 1, 1965, LS T-28<sup>U</sup> advised that CLAY was present on February 26, 1965, at the NOI convention, Chicago, Illinois. ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, the Messenger of Allah, was the principal speaker. When he finished speaking, he departed from the convention hall and everyone was apprised to keep their seats as the next speaker was MUHAMMAD ALI, or CASSIUS CLAY.

On June 25, 1965, LS T-29 advised that on that date, a regular meeting was held at Mosque No. 2, 5335 South Greenwood Avenue, Chicago, Illinois. The same routine or trend was carried out. There is no talk from the cult that [redacted] b7D

[redacted] This is a very sore spot. No one talks of it. <sup>U</sup>

[On July 8, 1965, LS T-30<sup>U</sup> advised that on July 2, 1965, a regular NOI meeting was held at Muhammad's Mosque No. 18, 12416 Superior Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio. After a radio tape lecture by ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, CASSIUS CLAY was introduced to approximately 175 people as the honored guest.

CLAY, the world's heavyweight boxing champion, said he was proud to be a Muslim and a true follower of the Honorable

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ELIJAH MUHAMMAD. He said he had been a member of the NOI for five years, and that for the past two years, the white people had been busy trying to make him notice and practice their way of life. He said that on that date, he appeared on the "Mike Douglas Show". He bore witness that the Honorable ELIJAH MUHAMMAD was the true Messenger of Allah, and it was his teaching that caused CLAY to be the world's heavyweight boxing champion. He also said he was getting an annulment from his wife, SONJI MARIE ROI ALI, because she refused to live up to the standards demanded of a Muslim woman.

[On September 14, 1965, LS T-31] advised that there was a regular meeting held at Muhammad's Mosque No. 4, 1519 Fourth Street, N.W., Washington, D. C., on the afternoon of September 12, 1965. After a sermon by the minister, MUHAMMAD ALI was introduced. He said he would never leave the NOI for anything, for without it he would not be anyone but CASSIUS CLAY, a white man's fool. He said ELIJAH MUHAMMAD has the power to give salvation today, and that the so-called Negro has come to the realization that they are the best and the greatest. He said the Negro women are the mothers of civilization because the black women have the best sons and daughters in the world. The parents of little white boys say he is a bad influence on children because he says he is the greatest. CLAY said that the little white boys tell their parents about this and say they thought they were told that they, the white children, are the greatest. The white parents know they have lied to their children. CLAY also stated that "We, the Negroes, are the greatest and will triumph, and the time is at hand." b7D

[On October 7, 1965, LS T-13] advised that on September 19, 1965, an NOI meeting was held at Mosque No. 7-B, 878 Prospect Avenue, Bronx, New York, with approximately 200 in attendance. During the course of the meeting, MUHAMMAD ALI came up and spoke. He said that he heard Islam in Miami before his ring career began, and after winning in the Olympics as a Negro, due claim had not yet come to him. He said he was ready to join when he listened to a minister tell of Chinese in China, Japanese in Japan, Germans in Germany, but Negroes' doubtfulness to claiming

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a country. CLAY said that FLOYD PATTERSON was the biggest "Uncle Tom", and that in two months they would meet in the ring. He said he wanted to get him in the ring, beat him while getting a promise and a contract that FLOYD would agree to spend around 48 hours with the Muslims. He said FLOYD PATTERSON, he was certain, would be FLOYD X. He said he was not a minister, although occasionally he was called one. He said he preferred to box five bouts weekly, than to be a minister preparing new subjects nightly to come up with interest.

On June 10, 1966, LS T-23 advised that CLAY attended a meeting of Muhammad's Mosque No. 12 at Broad and Susquehanna, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and he believes this was sometime in 1965. ~~X~~ u

On November 4, 1965, LS T-14 advised that at the NOI Bazaar at the 369th Regimental Army Armory, New York City, on October 26, 1965, MUHAMMAD ALI was present and put on sparring sessions with sparring partners. The same information was received on October 27, 1965, from LS T-8. ~~X~~ u

[On November 1, 1965, LS T-29] ~~X~~ u advised that on October 26, 1965, there was a dinner for the Honorable ELIJAH MUHAMMAD with tickets sold at \$3.00 per person. The dinner took place in Chicago, Illinois. The heavyweight boxing champion, MUHAMMAD ALI, flew in for dinner.

On January 4, 1966, LS T-29 advised that on January 2, 1966, a regular meeting took place at Mosque No. 2, 5335 South Greenwood, Chicago, Illinois, at 2:00 P.M. A minister introduced the guest as heavyweight boxing champion, MUHAMMAD ALI. He stood up with others introduced, but did not speak. ~~X~~ u

[On March 3, 1966, LS T-33] ~~X~~ u advised that [redacted] a New York attorney, at the request of [redacted] presented a letter dated [redacted] from [redacted] to [redacted]. In the letter [redacted] requested [redacted]

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X U On February 26, 1966, LS T-32 advised that on that date there was a session of the annual Muslim Convention at the Chicago Coliseum which ended at about 5:00 P.M., and ELIJAH MUHAMMAD left at about 5:30 P.M. CASSIUS CLAY attended this session and was in a blue uniform of the FOI.

[On February 27, 1966, LS T-1] advised that the second and final session of the annual Muslim Convention was held on that date by the NOI at the Chicago Coliseum, 1513 South Wabash, Chicago, Illinois. MUHAMMAD ALI (CASSIUS CLAY) was present on the platform for a while, but did not speak. ELIJAH MUHAMMAD referred to CLAY as Captain of the FOI.

[On February 26, 1966, LS T-1] advised that the opening session of the annual Muslim Convention was held at the Chicago Coliseum on this date. CLAY was in attendance and wore an FOI Captain's uniform.

On March 2, 1966, LS T-29 advised that a convention meeting of the NOI was held at 1513 South Wabash Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, at 2:00 P.M., on February 27, 1966, at which MUHAMMAD ALI was present. X U

The same source advised on March 2, 1966, that a convention meeting of the NOI was held at 2:00 P.M. on February 26, 1966, at the same address in Chicago, Illinois, at which MUHAMMAD ALI was also present. X U

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LS T-29 advised on March 16, 1966, that a regular class of the NOI was held at Mosque No. 2, 5335 South Greenwood, Chicago, Illinois, on March 2, 1966, at which MUHAMMAD ALI was also present. ~~X~~ U

On March 4, 1966, LS T-30 ~~X~~ U advised that the Muslims' annual celebration was held in Chicago, Illinois, on February 26 and 27, 1966. Seven thousand people attended the meeting on Saturday, February 26, 1966, and 6,400 attended on Sunday, February 27, 1966. There were 105 lost-foinds (visitors) who reclaimed their own. MUHAMMAD ALI (CASSIUS CLAY) stayed in the background and did not make a speech as scheduled.

On April 27, 1966, LS T-34 advised that CASSIUS CLAY spoke to about 30 persons attending the April 24, 1966, meeting of Muhammad's Mosque No. 29 in Miami, Florida. According to the source, CLAY told those in attendance that the white man was trying to take his title away from him but that he and his associates were too smart for him. He also said that people were now staying away from the white man because the white man lies, and makes promises that he does not keep. The source also said that CLAY told his listeners the Muslims did not want to fight anyone, white or black. ~~X~~

On June 1, 1966, LS T-8, LS T-13 and LS T-14 each furnished substantially identical information, as follows: ~~X~~ U

Since about 1963, it has been publicly announced at a number of NOI meetings of Mosque No. 7, New York City, that CASSIUS CLAY is a member of the NOI. He has attended a number of meetings of Mosque No. 7, including several public bazaars sponsored by the mosque and several social affairs. ~~X~~ U

Various issues of the official NOI publication, "Muhammad Speaks", have contained articles concerning CLAY and his NOI membership.

The sources advised that they do not know CLAY personally, and have never talked to him; however, know of his



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NOI membership through his attendance at meetings in New York City, as well as the publicity given to CLAY in various news media. They advised that ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, the national leader of the NOI, gave CLAY his "original name" about two years ago, which name is "Muhammad Ali". *eu*

[On June 21, 1966, LS T-35] *eu* advised there was a meeting at Muhammad's Mosque No. 1, on June 17, 1966, at 8:00 P.M. The mosque is located at 11529 Linwood, Detroit, Michigan, and approximately 300 persons were in attendance. After the FOI was called to attention by a First Lieutenant, CASSIUS CLAY, also known as Muhammad Ali, entered the room, gave the Muslim greeting, "As Salaam Alaikum", then went up to the auditorium. Then the minister of the mosque began teaching as he normally does. He pointed out that CLAY had been invited to visit every nation of the earth, and that this was done because he is a Muslim representing ELIJAH MUHAMMAD. He said none had ever been accorded the hospitality that CLAY is receiving abroad, and that it merely goes to show what it means to be a Muslim, a follower of MUHAMMAD.

[On August 28, 1966, LS T-1] *eu* advised that on August 28, 1966, an NOI rally was held by Muhammad's Temple No. 2 at International Amphitheater, West 43rd and South Halstead, Chicago, Illinois. An estimated 5,000 were in attendance. ELIJAH MUHAMMAD was the principal speaker, and spoke of "Black Power" in terms of the history of the white man and his origin from the black man. CASSIUS CLAY was on rostrum with ELIJAH MUHAMMAD.

[On August 10, 1966, LS T-1] *eu* advised that CASSIUS MARCELLUS CLAY, JR., known in the NOI as MUHAMMAD ALI, was a member of the NOI and as of August, 1966, was referred to by officials of that organization as a minister in the NOI. He is also heavy-weight boxing champion of the world.

[On August 31, 1966, LS T-36] *eu* advised that an open meeting of the NOI was held on Wednesday, August 24, 1966, at Muhammad Mosque of Islam, 3400 Polk, Houston, Texas. The minister who lectured stated that MUHAMMAD ALI, better known as CASSIUS CLAY, will fight CLEVELAND WILLIAMS here at the Dome Stadium in Houston, Texas, and more than likely the Brother will visit this mosque. The minister also indicated that "As

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you know, he is now a minister, so I say this to you, when it is time for the world's champ, Muhammad Ali, to come to Houston and if it is learned that he will visit the mosque, then I will require that each of the registered members bring a visitor on this night."

[On August 28, 1966, LS T-37] advised that on that date, a rally of the NOI was held at the International Amphitheater, 42nd and Halstead Streets, Chicago, Illinois. CASSIUS CLAY made a short initial speech in which he referred to the white man as a devil. He said he could not understand why the black man had to go into the service in Vietnam or elsewhere, as they had no rights in the United States.

[On August 30, 1966, LS T-29] advised that on August 28, 1966, an NOI meeting was held at the Amphitheater in Chicago, Illinois, with approximately 6,500 persons present. During the meeting, the heavyweight champion, MUHAMMAD ALI, was introduced and spoke for about one-half hour. He spoke mostly about becoming a minister of the Islam faith and as soon as he is beaten in the ring, which will not be for the next eight or nine years unless they get someone from outer space or another planet, following which he will not ask for a rematch but will hang up his gloves and start teaching Islam to all the lost souls here in the hells of North America.

He spoke of his returning to Louisville, Kentucky, about his draft board meetings and also thanked all his black sisters and brothers for having the faith in him that he could return as champ. He gave thanks to the most Honorable ELIJAH MUHAMMAD for awakening him from the long sleep, and Allah for sending a Messenger like the Honorable ELIJAH MUHAMMAD because he is the last one to come and he was sent to save 22,000,000 so-called American Negroes. He thanked his brothers and sisters for praying for him, and wishing him well while in the Far East. He told how each so-called Negro should respect the Islam faith and follow the Honorable ELIJAH MUHAMMAD because he holds the key to the black man's problems.

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On September 6, 1966, LS T-38 advised that from August 27, 1966, to August 29, 1966, a meeting of the NOI was held at the International Amphitheater in Chicago, Illinois. A group left from Akron, Ohio, to attend this meeting, which was actually held on August 28, 1966. ELIJAH MUHAMMAD delivered the major address at the Amphitheater, and MUHAMMAD ALI (CASSIUS CLAY) also spoke at the meeting.

On September 16, 1966, LS T-39 advised that on August 28, 1966, there was a meeting of the FOI at Mosque No. 2, Chicago, Illinois. After the meeting was opened with a prayer, MUHAMMAD ALI gave a short speech lasting about 15 minutes, following which the Honorable ELIJAH MUHAMMAD spoke. The latter's subject was "black and white--the whites shall fall and the black man shall rise."

On October 5, 1966, LS T-40 advised that leaders of Muhammad's Temple of Islam, San Antonio, Texas, had stated that [redacted] would be [redacted] at [redacted] either [redacted] preparation for [redacted] on [redacted]

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On October 10, 1966, LS T-41 advised that prior to [redacted] in [redacted] on [redacted] will do some teaching in Muhammad's Temple of Islam, Houston, Texas. The source was uncertain as to the date of [redacted] arrival in Texas, nor could he furnish information concerning the exact [redacted] which will be used by [redacted]

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LS T-42 and LS T-43 advised on October 3, 1966, and October 4, 1966, respectively, that on the afternoon of October 2, 1966, ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, leader of the NOI, appeared and spoke at a dedication ceremony opening a mosque in Miami, Florida. The mosque is described as Muhammad's Mosque No. 29 and is located at 5245 Northwest Seventh Avenue, Miami, Florida. The crowd in attendance was estimated at between 2,000 and 3,000 persons, and there were individuals present from Jacksonville, Tampa, Washington, D. C., and some followers present from as far away as Phoenix, Arizona.

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After ELIJAH MUHAMMAD was introduced, he indicated or stated that his principal purpose for appearing at the Miami mosque was not so much to dedicate a new mosque as it was to recruit the so-called Negro into the NOI. At the end of his speech, the source stated that ELIJAH MUHAMMAD introduced the new minister of the Miami mosque, who then introduced MUHAMMAD ALI (CASSIUS CLAY), world's heavyweight boxing champion. MUHAMMAD ALI stood up and waved to the crowd, and then sat down. He was wearing civilian clothes in contrast to other members of the NOI, who were wearing light blue uniforms.

[On October 3, 1966, LS T-42] advised that the Muslims of Miami, Florida, had a large dedication meeting for the new mosque, No. 29. The source stated that CASSIUS CLAY, world's heavyweight boxing champion, arrived at the new mosque prior to the commencement of festivities. He shook hands with many of the people in line waiting to go into the mosque and was dressed in civilian clothes, in contrast to other officials and members of the NOI, especially those from the Miami area, who were dressed in blue FOI uniforms. CASSIUS CLAY was not introduced or acknowledged by ELIJAH MUHAMMAD during his principal address, and was introduced to the crowd after the termination of MUHAMMAD's speech and after MUHAMMAD had left the hall.

[On November 1, 1966, LS T-44] advised that on Friday night, October 28, 1966, there was a meeting held at Muslim Mosque No. 15, 1225 Bankhead Avenue, N.W., Atlanta, Georgia. After MUHAMMAD ALI was introduced, he talked for about an hour. He discussed by what means he became a Muslim, stating the reason he did was that he never learned anything from going to church at the other places. He had no truth until he went into a mosque in Florida. He stated there is no way to distinguish the Negro from the white by name because the white man gave them his name during slavery. All of the races of people are known by their country. For instance, the Cubans are known because they are from Cuba; the Chinese are known because they are from China. If Mr. JONES were to walk in the door, you would not know whether he was Negro or white from the name unless you saw him. This is why the Muslims have distinguished

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themselves for they want to be known aside from the white man. MUHAMMAD ALI indicated that we are all crazy until we know the truth. The Muslims will teach you this truth. This is why the Muslims have set up their own schools for their children, so that they will know the truth before they are brainwashed by that dirty white man.

The white man has lied to us all his life. First they began with the lie about Santa Claus. The Negroes looked up to him for he was white, next comes the bad man. No one is this but the white man. They tell us all these lies and we believe them until God spoke to the great ELIJAH MUHAMMAD for him to speak to the black man, and for him to wake up so he can be somebody and stop looking and believing in the white man.

[On November 15, 1966, LS T-36<sup>u</sup> advised there was an open, public meeting held by the NOI on Sunday, October 30, 1966, from 2:00 to 4:30 P.M., at Muhammad's Mosque of Islam, located at 3400 Polk, Houston, Texas. There were approximately 325 to 350 people present, including MUHAMMAD ALI (CASSIUS X. CLAY).

During the course of the meeting, one of the speakers praised MUHAMMAD ALI for his interest and concern for the poor or common Negro. The speaker stated that upon arriving in Houston, Texas, instead of spending all of his time with the white people, the heavyweight champion spent his time, his valuable time, going around to various Negro communities and institutions, one of those institutions being Texas Southern University, for the sole purpose of meeting and becoming acquainted with his black sisters and brothers who, under normal circumstances, would not get a chance to meet and mingle with the world's heavyweight boxing champion.

The final lecture of the evening was given by MUHAMMAD ALI. He began his lecture by stating that he too, at one time, was the same or just like most of the common so-called Negroes here in America. He too believed in this hocus-pocus religion, Christianity. He too believed in chasing women. He too, like many past champions, had hoped to become the heavyweight champion of the world and at this time, he too felt that he

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wanted to marry one of the beautiful white women, but after becoming acquainted with and after being converted by ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, he realized just how silly this was and he wanted to stand before the huge crowd today and let it be known he earnestly feels he did not begin to live or really enjoy life until he became a follower of ELIJAH MUHAMMAD. According to the source, during his lecture, CLAY informed the audience that the Negro in America had been thoroughly brainwashed by the white man or, as referred to by Muslims, the blue-eyed devil white man. MUHAMMAD ALI pointed out that in order to keep the so-called Negro thinking white, the white man continued leading the Negro to believe in the false religion of Christianity. This was being done solely to frighten the Negro, and to keep him away from the true teachings of the Honorable ELIJAH MUHAMMAD as taught him by God, whose proper name is Allah.

Source indicated that MUHAMMAD ALI gave illustrations of the white man's brainwashing in keeping the Negroes thinking white. MUHAMMAD ALI stated that the white man even uses his television commercials, saying that soap is no good unless it is White Swan. Movies made by the white man show that only white is good, inasmuch as in Western movies, the good man or the white hero always wears a white hat and the hero usually rides a white horse. White tornado commercials for cleansers show that even the tornado has to be white for the detergent to be any good, etc.

Following the taking of a collection, MUHAMMAD ALI again went to the speaker's rostrum. He informed the audience that a news reporter from Channel 11 Television Station in Houston had requested permission to come into the mosque and shoot movie pictures for later newscasts on Channel 11 Television. He informed the audience to act natural, and to not pay this reporter any undue attention and to look forward at all times, and let MUHAMMAD ALI do the talking. The Channel 11 Television reporter was then allowed to enter the mosque in the main lecture room.

For the sole benefit of the news reporter, MUHAMMAD ALI went into another short lecture and while lecturing, he

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informed the audience that they could help ELIJAH MUHAMMAD further his program by buying copies of his newspaper, copies of his book...., and it could be observed that no man was feeling on women, and that the crowd had not heard one word of vulgarity or cursing which was unusual for a gathering of this size. While the movie pictures were being made for the forthcoming newscast, MUHAMMAD ALI made a point of showing ELIJAH MUHAMMAD's paper titled "Muhammad Speaks", and he made a point of showing ELIJAH MUHAMMAD's book titled "A Message to the Black Man".

At the conclusion of his lecture and once outside the mosque, MUHAMMAD ALI mingled with the crowd, shook hands, autographed newspapers, photographs of himself and books. After satisfying the crowd, he returned with other NOI members to the mosque and went up to the dining room located on the second floor, where dinners were being sold.

[On November 7, 1966, LS T-45<sup>u</sup> advised that an open meeting of the NOI was held on Friday, November 4, 1966, at Muhammad's Mosque of Islam, 3400 Polk, Houston, Texas. MUHAMMAD ALI was present and spoke. He commented on the fact that although he is heavyweight champion, he cannot go in cafes which are white. He indicated that the Negro man is God of the universe and Negro women are queens of the universe. He stated that MUHAMMAD ALI said God has to be behind ELIJAH MUHAMMAD because of the way he talks about white people and gets off with it. Islam is the original religion of Negroes; they are not really Negroes, he said, that is just a name the white people gave them.

[On November 4, 1966, LS T-36<sup>u</sup> advised that a meeting was held of the NOI on Friday, November 4, 1966, at Muhammad's Mosque of Islam, 3400 Polk, Houston, Texas. On this meeting night, there was an undetermined number of people present because on this night, the heavyweight champion of the world, known by NOI as MUHAMMAD ALI, but commonly known as CASSIUS CLAY, was visiting and speaking at the Houston mosque.

[On November 10, 1966, LS T-45<sup>u</sup> advised that there was an open meeting of the NOI on Sunday, November 6, 1966, with MUHAMMAD ALI present at Muhammad's Mosque of Islam, 3400 Polk, Houston, Texas. MUHAMMAD ALI gave part of the lecture.

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On November 10, 1966, LS T-46<sup>U</sup> advised an open meeting of the NOI was held on Sunday, November 6, 1966, with MUHAMMAD ALI present at Muhammad's Mosque of Islam, 3400 Polk, Houston, Texas. When MUHAMMAD ALI came in, the minister turned the meeting over to him. In his lecture, he pointed out that he could be several million dollars richer if he would quit following the Messenger and do what the white man wants him to do. During his lecture, ALI stated several examples as to how the American Negro is always trying to think white, and several expressions the white man uses to foster this type thinking. He also contrasted ideas as white being good and black being bad, as proposed by the white man. In this connection, he said that if a black cat crosses your trail, that is bad luck. They even got Jesus Christ, who was a black aboriginal black, Egyptian white in the Bible. He said Jesus Christ's hair was like sheep wool, his color was the color of burnt copper.

On November 10, 1966, LS T-36<sup>U</sup> advised that MUHAMMAD ALI was a speaker at the open meeting of NOI on Sunday, November 6, 1966, at Muhammad's Mosque of Islam, 3400 Polk, Houston, Texas. During the course of the heavyweight champion's lecture, he indicated that being the champion, he could, at that moment, be uptown with white people, the blue-eyed devil white people, if he so chose. Instead, he would rather be with his own people. He stated he could be in Paris, France, Germany or many other foreign countries being the world's heavyweight champion. He could choose any white woman he desired, but this he would not do as some previous heavyweight champions had done, because of his love for his black sisters and brothers. The audience was reminded there were just a few Muslims in Houston, Texas, and the support and upkeep of the Houston mosque was being taken care of completely by them. After telling the audience of the huge monthly expenses connected with keeping the doors of the Houston mosque open, CLAY told the audience they could help the Honorable ELIJAH MUHAMMAD in his program and could help the few dedicated Muslim members here in Houston, Texas, to keep the doors of their mosque open by making cash donations in the collection which would follow shortly. Unlike previous meetings, CLAY made the appeal for the collection.

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[On November 15, 1966, LS T-45] advised that MUHAMMAD ALI lectured at an open meeting of the NOI on Sunday, November 13, 1966, at the Muhammad's Mosque of Islam, 3400 Polk, Houston, Texas. In his lecture, MUHAMMAD ALI said ELIJAH MUHAMMAD taught him there is no heaven in the sky and no hell under the ground, but people have heaven while they live and hell while they live. He said ELIJAH MUHAMMAD taught him that the Negro woman is the queen of the universe. He said Negroes beat all other races doing anything they endeavor in, and since Negro women give birth to these famous people, that makes them the greatest people on earth. He told the audience that he knew they heard him say on television "I am the greatest." He said he did not say that to be boastful, but to make the devil (white man) mad. He said white people have green and blue eyes, and these are evil and untrue colors. He said the sky looked blue, but the color is deceiving, and that is the way white people are. ALI said they were letting a television cameraman in the mosque to take pictures which would be shown on television. The cameraman entered the mosque and took pictures while MUHAMMAD ALI stood at the pulpit advertising the newspaper, "Muhammad Speaks", and the book, "A Message to the Black Man".

[On November 15, 1966, LS T-46] advised that at an open meeting of the NOI on Sunday, November 13, 1966, at Muhammad's Mosque of Islam, 3400 Polk, Houston, Texas, the meeting was turned over to MUHAMMAD ALI, who was in charge. In his lecture, he told them they all heard him holler "I am the greatest" in the ring. He said he did that to make the devils mad. He said the devil hates the idea of a black man being greater than he, although they know the black man is. He said the Christian teaches that hell burns under the ground ten times hotter than the sun. The fire will burn the center forever. He said common sense will tell you a fire that hot will not burn any material thing forever. He then lectured about the diameter of the earth and that if hell is under the ground, and is ten times hotter than the sun, we would be dancing all the time. He said the black woman is the mother of all races and that from her comes the brown, yellow and the white race. After the meeting, MUHAMMAD ALI went outside the mosque and autographed pictures of himself that were sold for \$2.00 each. He also autographed copies of "Muhammad Speaks" and the book, "A Message to the Black Man".

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[On December 2, 1966, LS T-8] advised there was a meeting of the NOI Unity Bazaar on November 29, 1966, at Rockland Palace, New York City. MUHAMMAD ALI was introduced as the heavyweight champion of the world. He said six years ago before he came into Islam, he would have seen the championship in a different way. In the first place, he said, as a champion, he never thought that he would have driven in a cab in Harlem unprotected just to go and speak to some Negroes. He said when he thought of traveling, he never thought of visiting black countries; he always thought of visiting France and white people. MUHAMMAD ALI said before he became champion, he used to visit MUHAMMAD's mosques three times per week. He learned through the teachings of the Honorable ELIJAH MUHAMMAD that black is stronger than white; that the black earth is more fertile than the white. He said black coffee is stronger than light coffee. When he heard all of this, he started to say "I am the greatest" and the white man could not figure out what was going on until he told them that he was a Muslim. MUHAMMAD ALI said that there is no doubt that the Honorable ELIJAH MUHAMMAD is the true Messenger from God; if he did not get this from God, where could he have gotten this teaching with a third-grade education.

He said the white people will associate themselves with dogs sooner than they will with black people; that they drive around with dogs in their cars; they treat the dog good; the dog even eats from their plate; and sleeps in the same bed.

The November 25, 1966, issue of "Muhammad Speaks" contains an article indicating that the mosque in Houston, Texas, saw its greatest expansion when the champ appeared as Minister MUHAMMAD ALI, a role which he will appear in on a full time basis when his fighting days are over. The article indicated that Minister MUHAMMAD ALI delivered such an inspiring address on the teachings of the Messenger of Allah that some 60 lost-founds signified they would accept Islam and enter the Houston mosque. During each of the champ's appearances, the mosque was jammed inside and out.

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[On December 2, 1966, LS T-13] advised that approximately 650 persons were in attendance on Tuesday, November 29, 1966,

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at the Unity Bazaar held for Muhammad's Mosque No. 7 at Rockland Palace, 155th Street and Eighth Avenue, New York City. During the course of the meeting, MUHAMMAD ALI spoke. He said he was sensitive to black and white differences before hearing Islam, and he would not be there that night if there was not something to ELIJAH MUHAMMAD's teachings. He said that five years back, with the way he thought and a championship title, he would be going to Paris, London and everywhere in Europe, but as a Muslim champ, he was given respect in Africa. He said NASSER asked how ELIJAH MUHAMMAD was doing and how Egypt welcomed Muslim followers of ELIJAH. Egypt wanted to help by letting them stay if they were not being treated right. According to the source, MUHAMMAD ALI said he went for Islam because the white man was critical of it, more so than towards other groups which he enumerated, but each of which had compromises. He said that everything white was all right, but everything black was degraded by the white man until Negroes felt and believed it. He wanted to exemplify himself as champion to Negro children, who could gain aspiration. The new people like JIM BROWN, SAMMY DAVIS, JR. and LENA HORNE, but for him it was ELIJAH MUHAMMAD with a program and not the glamorous Hollywood. He said money to ELIJAH MUHAMMAD was to keep their mosques going and rebuilding in New York.

(On January 25, 1967, LS T-45) <sup>LU</sup> advised that an open meeting of the NOI was held on Friday, January 20, 1967, at Muhammad's Mosque of Islam, 3400 Polk, Houston, Texas. MUHAMMAD ALI was introduced and gave the lecture.

According to the source, ALI said he could have been in his \$100.00 a day suite at the Hotel Americana, but he wanted to be at the mosque with his people to tell them the truth. He said he was risking his popularity to bring the truth to them. He said he is the most popular boxer in the world, and could be elsewhere with white people if he wanted to. He said the Negro woman is the mother of the greatest men on earth, that Negroes make the best boxers, wrestlers, ball players, etc., and they all come from Negro women, yet Negro men do not respect their women. MUHAMMAD ALI said that white people have deceived Negroes with lies about a spirit God in the sky, a devil under the ground, hell fire underground and having them believe they will get their reward after death. This was done, he said, so that Negroes

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would not want to get rich. He said that white people even have Negroes believing that Jesus' mother was a virgin at his birth, and that he was a white man. Jesus and the other prophets were black men, he said.

MUHAMMAD ALI explained that the earth is 93,000,000 miles from the sun, yet sometimes it gets hot enough to fry an egg on the sidewalk. People are taught that hell is ten times hotter than the sun, and is in the center of the earth. The diameter of the earth is only 7,926 miles, so people could not be over 4,000 miles either way from hell, so if that fire is ten times hotter than the sun, just think how hot the earth would be, he said. MUHAMMAD ALI also said that ELIJAH MUHAMMAD was sent by God to bring the truth to the black people.

[On February 9, 1967, LS T-47<sup>u</sup> advised that approximately 800 people were in attendance at a Sunday meeting on January 29, 1967, of the NOI at Muhammad's Mosque No. 18, 12416 Superior Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio. MUHAMMAD ALI was introduced as a traveling minister and talked for approximately 45 minutes. He gave credit to being the heavyweight boxing champion to the Messenger of Allah, the Honorable ELIJAH MUHAMMAD. He said he went to all of the churches, Catholic, Baptist, Church of God and many others, and no one said a thing; but as soon as he entered Muhammad's Mosque, everybody wanted to know "Are you one of those Black Muslims?" He said he had to be sure this man, ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, was okay, so he checked him out and he urged that everyone do the same thing to see if he did not have the best programs for the black man. He then contrasted the meaning of the cross as meaning suffering, shame and death, as contrasted with the sun, moon and stars which mean freedom, justice and equality. During the course of his lecture, he stated, "I am a traveling minister of Muhammad's Mosque of Islam and a devoted fellower of the Honorable Elijah Muhammad, the Messenger of Allah." According to the source, CLAY spoke like the ministers speak during their talks. He pointed to the United States flag, which is always on the stage, and gave the usual lecture that the ministers give. He stated the American flag represented death and destruction. He then pointed to the drawing of the Muslim flag, and stated that it represents life and prosperity, justice for all black men. During his talk, he hit the United States flag with his fist.

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[On January 25, 1967, LS T-46] advised that on January 20, 1967, an open meeting of the NOI was held at Muhammad's Mosque of Islam, 3400 Polk Street, Houston, Texas. Approximately 100 persons were recognized. MUHAMMAD ALI was present and lectured. During his lecture, he indicated that Jesus was a prophet for the people of his time, Noah was a prophet for the people of his time, Lot was a prophet for the people of his time but none of these prophets mean nothing to us. He held up a picture of ELIJAH MUHAMMAD so the audience could see it, and said that this little old man came from Georgia, had only a third-grade education but is a prophet sent to us from Almighty God. CLAY indicated that this man, meaning ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, was taught 3½ years by the Almighty God, Allah. He stated that those who are here for the first time, this is God. According to the source, MUHAMMAD ALI stated that these crackers ain't going to tell you who God is. He won't even tell you your name. JOHN SMITH, that's not your name, that's a white man's name, your name is SHARRIEF, MUHAMMAD, ALI, ELIJAH, etc. You have been taught by the white man that everything worthwhile is white. MUHAMMAD ALI opened the Bible and stated, "Look at these pictures.", holding the Bible up where everyone could see, "Every picture you see in this Bible is white." He stated that every place these events are supposed to have happened is in Asia, and he has been there and these people are black people. Jesus was black, Moses was black, Lot was black, all those people were black. He stated the reason these white devils have not been destroyed yet by the Almighty God, Allah, is because of you. He sent ELIJAH to awaken you, you've been asleep for 400 years.

[On January 18, 1967, LS T-48] advised that a meeting of the Trenton Mosque of Muhammad, 191 Humbolt Street, Trenton, New Jersey, was held on Sunday, January 15, 1967. The speaker, MUHAMMAD ALI, was introduced. ALI spoke about ADAM CLAYTON POWELL, stating he was a crook and at one time, was an Uncle Tom but finally saw the light and stopped acting this way. He said that when he was observed to have changed his ways, so-called white brothers kicked him out of Congress. The white man was the devil and only as long as you did what he wanted, could you get away with anything that you wanted to do. He

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stated as soon as POWELL got wise to the ways of the white man and leaned to the black man a little, the devil, the white man, no longer wanted him around. So now, according to the source, ALI stated it is up to every black man to back POWELL as much as the Muslims hated the slave name of POWELL. Even if POWELL runs for President, every black man should support him.

[On February 2, 1967, LS T-49] advised that on January 29, 1967, the regular Sunday afternoon meeting of the NOI of Cleveland was held at Muhammad's Mosque No. 18, 12416 Superior Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio. The minister opened the meeting by saying he was happy to come before the people at this time, and to have the opportunity to present to them one of their brothers, who they know as the heavyweight champion of the world, MUHAMMAD ALI, and who is also a minister. During his address, MUHAMMAD ALI stated that when he first heard their teachings, he had been drinking, smoking and had just left two white women. There was so much truth in it, he had to check it out. The source said that according to ALI, everything he had done was wrong. Now this man was telling him that black was the best, and he could not believe it as he had been taught everything white was right and everything black was bad. Then he found out that black was original and everything came from black, and he began to say that "I am the greatest, I am the greatest." He indicated that he has been in different parts of the world, and has been recognized by kings and rulers, and been given many gifts but as long as he was a Negro, he had a chance for none of this. Since he became a Muslim, he has found out which flag was right. As MUHAMMAD ALI talked, he began to swing his arms and fists, pointing to the blackboard of the drawings of the United States flag and the Muslim flag, saying that the Muslim flag was right and the United States flag was not good for black man. In doing so, he struck the drawing of the United States flag with his fist, and almost knocked the board over.

[On February 8, 1967, LS T-45] advised that an open meeting of the NOI was held on Sunday, February 5, 1967, at Muhammad's Mosque of Islam, 3400 Polk, Houston, Texas.

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MUHAMMAD ALI gave a lecture during which he said he has met and dined with many kings, and he is welcomed all over the world because he is Muslim and his name is MUHAMMAD ALI. He said he was a nobody when his name was CASSIUS CLAY. According to the source, he gave the same lecture he always gives.

[On February 8, 1967, LS T-46] advised that at an open meeting of the NOI on Sunday, February 5, 1967, at Muhammad's Mosque of Islam, 3400 Polk, Houston, Texas, MUHAMMAD ALI was the guest speaker. In his lecture, he said that whenever a black man became a celebrity and hit the million dollar mark, financially he is used as a tool for the white men to help keep the American Negroes deaf, dumb and blind (mentally). He then proceeded to talk about white and black, and to illustrate black is just as good as white. ELIJAH MUHAMMAD is telling the black people the truth. He said Christianity teaches us that it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle, than for a rich man to go to heaven. He said this statement was designed for the black man so he would not want or try to get any wealth.

[On February 27, 1967, LS T-45] advised that at an open meeting of the NOI on Wednesday, February 22, 1967, at Muhammad's Temple of Islam, 3400 Polk, Houston, Texas, MUHAMMAD ALI was one of the two persons in charge. In his lecture, he stated that the hog is made from the germ of the rat, cat and dog for the purpose of a scavenger, and is not to be eaten. He said pork causes numerous diseases in people because of the poison and worms contained in it.

He said that when bacon is fried, it pops and that is the worm bursting open. This worm cannot be killed and it enters into the person's joints. It causes the person to get sick so the doctor takes him off pork, but does not tell him not to ever eat it again because he wants the person to come back to him so he can keep making money. He said there were some "Uncle Toms" in the mosque at that time, listening to what he was saying so they could go back and tell the white folks. MUHAMMAD ALI told them to go back and tell them, "I have moved to Houston and I'm living at the Hotel Americana." He said he was not afraid of white folks and he tells many of them to "go to hell" every day.

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[On February 27, 1967, LS T-50] advised that on February 28, 1967, the annual Muslim Convention was held by the NOI at the Coliseum, 1513 South Wabash, Chicago, Illinois. There were approximately 7,000 persons in attendance. ELIJAH MUHAMMAD was the main speaker. CASSIUS CLAY sat on the rostrum with MUHAMMAD, but he was not introduced nor did he speak. He wore an FOI uniform.

[On March 6, 1967, LS T-49] advised that the annual Muslims Saviors Day Convention of 1967 was held in Chicago, Illinois, on February 26, 1967. MUHAMMAD ALI was in attendance and was presented with a plaque from the FOI.

[On February 28, 1967, LS T-51] advised that the annual Muslim convention was held on February 26, 1967, at the Chicago Coliseum, Chicago, Illinois. MUHAMMAD ALI, also known as CASSIUS CLAY, was on the speakers' platform with ELIJAH MUHAMMAD. At the termination of the ceremonies, MUHAMMAD ALI was presented with a plaque.

On March 2, 1967, LS T-45 furnished substantially the same information as above.

[On February 27, 1967, LS T-3] advised that the annual Muslim Convention of the NOI was held on February 26, 1967, at the Chicago Coliseum, 1513 South Wabash Avenue, Chicago, Illinois. Approximately 7,500 persons were in attendance, most of them members of the NOI and their families. The principal speaker was ELIJAH MUHAMMAD. CASSIUS CLAY was in attendance, but was not introduced and did not speak.

[On February 27, 1967, LS T-52] advised that approximately 8,000 persons were in attendance at the NOI annual Muslim Convention held in Chicago, Illinois, on February 26, 1967. During the convention, MUHAMMAD ALI (CASSIUS CLAY) received some sort of award plaque at the meeting and his photographs were on sale for members. Photographs of ELIJAH MUHAMMAD and his wife were also on sale.

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[On February 27, 1967, LS T-1] advised that the annual Muslim Convention was held by Muhammad's Temple of Islam on February 26, 1967, at the Chicago Coliseum, 1513 South Wabash, Chicago, Illinois. CASSIUS CLAY sat on the rostrum with MUHAMMAD in an FOI uniform. He was not introduced nor did he speak.

On March 2, 1967, LS T-53 and LS T-54 furnished substantially the same information as LS T-1 above.

[On March 11, 1967, LS T-45] advised that an open meeting of the NOI was held on Friday, March 3, 1967, at Muhammad's Mosque of Islam, 3400 Polk, Houston, Texas. There were approximately 68 persons in attendance. MUHAMMAD ALI was introduced and gave the lecture. In his lecture, he stated that there were "Uncle Toms" in the mosque who were going to tell the white man what he said, but that the Muslims were going to kill the "Uncle Toms". He talked against women wearing revealing clothing and said that the men cannot tell an ordinary housewife from a whore because of the way they dress. He offered any Christian in the mosque \$5,000.00 if he could come up to the podium and talk five minutes on something that made sense, that the white man had learned in church.

[On March 27, 1967, LS T-45] advised that at an open meeting of the NOI on Friday, March 24, 1967, at Muhammad's Mosque of Islam, 3400 Polk, Houston, Texas, MUHAMMAD ALI gave the lecture. He said Houston has the smallest congregation of any large city, and he is making his home here to help build up the congregation.

[On May 4, 1967, LS T-45] advised an open meeting of the NOI was held on Friday, April 28, 1967, at Muhammad's Mosque of Islam, 3400 Polk, Houston, Texas. Minister MUHAMMAD ALI gave the lecture. In his lecture, he said the "Uncle Toms" are more against him for not going to the Army than white people. He said they tell him he is a fool for giving up \$3,000,000 a year and his title, but he said he would not go against his people for a little money. He said the "Uncle Toms" should not be bothered about it because they were not getting one penny of his money. He said that at the induction center, he was asked if he would swear to uphold the honor of his country and he said, "What country?". He said why should Negroes go 10,000 miles to free

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someone else when they are not free, and will return and get beat up beside their heads. He offered \$50,000 to anyone who could prove that ELIJAH MUHAMMAD is not a prophet from God.

[On April 10, 1967, LS T-36] advised that a victory party for MUHAMMAD ALI, sponsored by the NOI, on Tuesday, March 28, 1967, was held at Muhammad's Mosque of Islam, 3400 Polk, Houston, Texas. Upon arriving, CASSIUS "Muhammad Ali" CLAY was encouraged to come to the microphone and speak to the audience. CLAY stated to the audience that he did not have anything to say; he did not have any teachings or prepared statements to make; but did inform them that he was available for signing autographs. The audience was informed that autographs would be signed on copies of the newspaper, "Muhammad Speaks", copies of ELIJAH MUHAMMAD's book, "A Message to the Black Man in America", and practically anything that they had to be signed.

[On April 24, 1967, LS T-37] advised that CLAY spoke at Muhammad's Mosque No. 4, Washington, D. C., on the afternoon of April 23, 1967. He talked about black power as advocated by ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, and said that the slavemaster, the white devil, was the reason for the downfall of the Negro.

[On April 30, 1967, LS T-31] advised that on the afternoon of April 30, 1967, [redacted] appeared at Muhammad's Mosque No. 4, Washington, D. C. [redacted] stated that [redacted]

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[redacted] He talked about the so-called Negro having no God of his, but reaching for the same God who is the white God of America, and who is blue-eyed and wears a Beatnik-type beard. He further advised that the so-called Negro is the original man and is superior to the white devil.

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The following persons were interviewed in connection with a previous investigation of CLAY under the Selective Service Act of 1948:

ODESSA L. GRADY CLAY

On May 18, 1966, Mrs. CASSIUS M. (ODESSA L.) CLAY, SR., 7307 Verona Way., Louisville, Kentucky, was interviewed. She furnished a signed statement advising in part that in about 1960, CASSIUS changed his religion to that of Islam. He became a Muslim through attending a mosque in Miami, Florida. She stated that she raised CASSIUS as a member of the Baptist faith, but that after he left home and became a professional boxer, he became interested in the Islam faith. It is her opinion that CASSIUS was influenced most in accepting the Islam faith by the leader of that faith, ELIJAH MUHAMMAD. A second individual exerting considerable influence in this connection on her son, in her opinion, was a man referred to as [redacted] in Miami, Florida. She believes it was several years ago [redacted] in Miami, Florida, that her son first became interested in the Islam faith and it is her recollection he was introduced into the faith by [redacted]

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[On May 18, 1964, LS T-22] advised that SAMUEL X. SAXON is Captain of the FOI of Muhammad's Mosque No. 29, Miami, Florida, having held this position since about April, 1961.

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DATE: 5/18/66  
BY: [redacted]

On May 27, 1966, [redacted] Louisville, Kentucky, [redacted] and [redacted] Louisville, Kentucky, advised that shortly before [redacted] went on his African trip in [redacted] he and others, including [redacted], met with [redacted] at Stouffer's Inn in Louisville, Kentucky. He and [redacted] decided they owed it to [redacted] to plainly tell him what his Muslim affiliation was costing him financially. During the discussion, both [redacted] and [redacted] spoke plainly to [redacted] however, after they finished talking with [redacted] he remarked to the effect that while he appreciated their interest, his religion

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meant more to him than anything, including money or what the public might think of him, and that nothing they or anyone could say would ever make him change his religion. It was also his guess that MALCOLM X. was the individual responsible for CASSIUS CLAY becoming a Muslim. In addition, there was a person known as [redacted] in Miami, Florida, who was rather closely associated with CLAY and this individual, according to what he has heard, was a Muslim leader in that area.

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Information concerning MALCOLM X. is included in the Appendix section of this report relating to "Organization of Afro-American Unity, Inc." and "Muslim Mosque, Inc."

CASSIUS M. CLAY, SR.

CASSIUS MARCELLUS CLAY, SR., 7307 Verona Way, Louisville, Kentucky, was interviewed on May 18, 1966, and furnished a signed statement in which he advised that the first time his son ever mentioned anything to him about being conscientiously opposed to serving in the Armed Forces of the United States was about the time of his first fight with SONNY LISTON, which he believed was about February, 1964. At that time, he told Mr. CLAY, SR., that he was a member of the Islam faith and his religion teaches a person cannot take part in any war or commit an act of violence against another person. Since then, his son has mentioned this to him on a number of times. Each time he has said the same thing; namely, that his religion will not permit him to do anything which will help in any war or anything which involves violence.

LUCIUS BEY, also known as Lucius Brown, Minister Lucius, Lucius X, was interviewed on May 31, 1966, at his residence, Salaam Apartments, 1816 Northwest 46th Street, Miami, Florida.

He advised he was born on May 8, 1913, in Georgia, that he has been associated with the Muslims for the past 15 or 20 years, during which time he has served as a minister for that organization in Chicago, Illinois, and Washington, D. C. He is currently assigned as Minister of Muhammad's Mosque No. 29 in Miami, Florida, and he has held this position for approximately two years.

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He first met MUHAMMAD ALI, also known as CASSIUS CLAY, in Chicago, Illinois, about five or six years ago. CLAY was then a successful heavyweight boxer and visited Mosque No. 2 of the Muslims in Chicago, saying he had heard of the teachings of ELIJAH MUHAMMAD and was interested in seeing the operations of that mosque.

He has been closely associated with CLAY since he himself arrived in Miami two years ago. CLAY trains for his fights in Miami and when there, regularly attends meetings of Mosque No. 29. He considers himself as CLAY's minister when CLAY is in the Miami area.

When CLAY is in Miami, he attends Muslim meetings at least twice a week, on Wednesdays and Sundays. He feels CLAY is a completely devout follower of the Islamic religion as taught and directed by ELIJAH MUHAMMAD. He said that CLAY, being the heavyweight boxing champion, is allowed to visit on occasion places where alcoholic beverages are served, but he does not and is not allowed to drink any alcoholic beverages. CLAY, as well as other members of the Muslims, should not loiter in such places and must leave whenever their business is completed. He advised that CLAY has turned down propositions to make movies and endorse products that could earn him well over a million dollars, but he has turned these offers down as they would interfere with what would be contrary to the teachings of ELIJAH MUHAMMAD. This was another example to him of CLAY's complete devotion to the teachings of ELIJAH MUHAMMAD. CLAY also adheres strictly to the dietary regulations of the Islamic religion. He has never known CLAY to break any of these regulations and while in training, CLAY has female members of the Muslim religion hired as his personal cooks. These women are all trained in the proper preparation of food in accordance with Muslim teachings and this is the only food CLAY receives while in training.

LUCIUS said that the Islamic religion, as accepted by CLAY, teaches that members owe their first allegiance to ALLAH, the one true God of the Universe. He said they are also

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taught they owe respect to the laws of the United States and the areas where they live. The Muslims teach their members they are members of the United States by birth; however, Negroes have been accepted in the United States only as second class citizens and because of this, they do not have the same responsibility as other citizens.

[redacted] also known as [redacted] was interviewed on May 31, 1960, at the residence of LUCIUS BEY, Minister of Muhammad's Mosque No. 29, 1816 Northwest 46th Street, Miami, Florida. He said he presently resides at [redacted] Miami, FLA with [redacted] and [redacted]. He stated he is Captain of Muhammad's Mosque No. 29 and has held that position since April, 1961. In 1958, 1959 and 1960, he was a Lieutenant at the Muslim Mosque in Chicago. He said he was born [redacted]

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He has known CASSIUS CLAY since 1960, having first met him in Chicago when CLAY visited the Muslim headquarters and ELIJAH MUHAMMAD. During 1961, he again met CLAY in Miami while CLAY was training for a fight. Since then, they have become close friends. When CLAY is in the Miami area, he attends meetings at least twice a week at Muhammad's Mosque No. 29, on Wednesdays and Sundays. He also frequently attends on Friday, whenever he is able. Although CLAY attends Muslim meetings, he stated he does not hold any position or office within that organization.

He recalled an article which appeared in a local Miami daily newspaper a year or two ago which reported CLAY had purchased a .22 caliber Derringer gun. As soon as he saw this article, he went to CLAY and CLAY explained that he purchased it more or less as a toy. He immediately took the gun from CLAY and threw it into the Atlantic Ocean. He said this was the only gun or weapon to his knowledge that CLAY has ever owned. He said that ELIJAH MUHAMMAD is the teacher, guide, and spiritual leader of all Muslims and that as such, all Muslims must follow his leadership, guidance and instruction

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without question. He said that CLAY, as a true follower of ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, must also follow these teachings. He knows that CLAY has contributed to the NOI, as all members are required to do, but he does not know or have any information concerning specific financial contributions of CLAY to the NOI.

[redacted], also known as [redacted] Miami, Florida, was interviewed on June 7, 1966. He advised he is a member of the NOI, and that he has known CASSIUS CLAY since CLAY first started coming to Miami several years ago. He knows CLAY rather well and has frequently seen him at Muhammad's Mosque No. 29, Miami, Florida, at meetings and other functions. He was unable to say how often CLAY attends Muhammad's Mosque No. 29's meetings. To his knowledge, CLAY completely abides by the rules and regulations of the NOI. In his opinion, CLAY is a true, sincere and devout Muslim and follower of the teachings of ELIJAH MUHAMMAD.

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[redacted], also known as [redacted] was interviewed at his place of employment, the [redacted] [redacted] Florida. He stated he resides at [redacted] in Miami, Florida. [redacted] advised he is a member of the NOI and has been a follower of the teachings of ELIJAH MUHAMMAD for about five or seven years. He refused to acknowledge whether or not he was the [redacted] of Muhammad's Mosque No. 29 in Miami.

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[redacted] advised he has known CASSIUS CLAY since CLAY has been coming to Miami several years ago. He advised that CLAY is also a member of the NOI and appears to be a true and devout follower of the teachings of ELIJAH MUHAMMAD. He appears fully and completely devout of the rules and regulations of the Muslims, as set forth by ELIJAH MUHAMMAD. Whenever in Miami, CLAY regularly attends Muslim meetings but he was unable to estimate how frequently he attends these meetings. He said CLAY did not hold any position or office in the NOI.

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[redacted] who advised he is also known as [redacted] was contacted at the [redacted]

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[redacted] Miami, Florida. He advised he is [redacted] of [redacted] and that he resides at [redacted], Opa Locka. He advised he has been a Muslim for about 15 years, and that at one time, he was a Lieutenant in the Muslim Mosque at Washington, D. C. He is still a member of the Muslims but because of the operation of [redacted], which requires long hours, he has not, in the recent past, been able to attend many Muslim functions and meetings.

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He has resided in the Miami area for approximately six to nine months, and he first met [redacted] after his arrival in Miami. He has visited [redacted] home and [redacted] has purchased gas at [redacted], but he does not know [redacted] very well.

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He believes from public statements made by CLAY and from his associates and general living habits, that CLAY is a member of the Muslims. He has seen CLAY at one Muslim meeting in Miami.

[redacted] furnished the above information on June 2, 1966.

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[redacted] Miami, Florida, was interviewed on June 2, 1966.

[redacted] advised he has been a member of the Muslims since 1961. He said that in New York City, he was known as [redacted] and that he is presently known in Miami as [redacted]. He refused to state whether or not he held any position of leadership within that organization. He said now that Muhammad's Mosque No. 29 does not have a regular meeting place, their meetings are frequently held at [redacted].

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He has known [redacted] for about two years, having first met him in Chicago or New York. Since [redacted] came to Miami,

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about a year ago, he has seen him more frequently. He has visited [redacted] home and when [redacted] is in Miami [redacted] he sees him almost daily. [redacted] was one of the most devout followers of the teachings of the Messenger, ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, that he knows. He believes [redacted] strictly adheres to all the rules and regulations of the NOI, and [redacted] regularly attends meetings of Muhammad's Mosque No. 29 when he is in the Miami area.

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[redacted] also known as [redacted] Miami, Florida, was interviewed on June 13, 1966, at the Nile Restaurant, 4300 Northwest Seventh Avenue, Miami, Florida.

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She advised she was a member of the NOI and a follower of the teachings of ELIJAH MUHAMMAD. She has been trained in the preparation of food in accordance with Muslim beliefs. She has received this training in Miami, based upon instructions received from the Muslim headquarters in Chicago, Illinois.

She has been employed as a cook for [redacted] whenever he is in the Miami, Florida, area. All food prepared for [redacted] is prepared in accordance with the dietary regulations of the NOI. [redacted] has never deviated from these regulations to her knowledge.

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On June 13, 1966, [redacted] also known as [redacted] formerly known as [redacted] Florida, was interviewed at the Nile Restaurant, 4300 Northwest Seventh Avenue, Miami, Florida.

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She said she is a member of the NOI and a follower of the teachings of ELIJAH MUHAMMAD. She is trained in the preparation of food in accordance with Muslim teachings. She received this training at Miami, Florida, on instructions received from the Muslim headquarters in Chicago, Illinois. She explained that the dietary laws of the Muslims forbid the consumption of pork or pork products and certain fish, particularly that which does not have scales. Their bread products must be prepared from whole wheat and the only cooking oil they are allowed to use is vegetable oil. There are other foods forbidden by that religion.

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She said she has worked as a cook for [redacted] whenever he is in the Miami, Florida, area. All food prepared for [redacted] is in strict accordance with the Muslim regulations. No special dispensation is given [redacted] from these dietary laws because of [redacted] [redacted] strictly adheres to these regulations and she has no knowledge of his ever deviating from these. She feels [redacted] is a devout and true believer in the teachings of ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, and that he would do whatever instructed by ELIJAH MUHAMMAD.

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On June 1, 1966, Mr. THEODORE BRENNER, Matchmaker, Madison Square Gardens Boxing, Inc., Madison Square Gardens, 50th Street and Eighth Avenue, New York City, advised he has been acquainted with CASSIUS CLAY on a business basis since about 1961. He was not aware of CLAY's religious background until about 1963, when CLAY visited him at the Gardens accompanied by a person identified as a member of the Muslim religion. It was then that CLAY indicated he was also a member of the Muslim religion.

On June 15, 1966, Mr. DREW "Bundini" BROWN, JR., 60 East 102nd Street, Apartment 11-F, New York City, advised he was the trainer for CLAY for a period of about three years from 1963 to 1965, and was in CLAY's corner when he won the world heavyweight championship at Miami, Florida, during February, 1964. He began to realize that CLAY was interested in the Muslim religion sometime during the Fall of 1963. He recalled that after CLAY won the boxing championship, he publicly stated that he was a member of the Muslim religion. He remained with CLAY as his trainer until the Fall of 1965, when he was let go because he refused to become a member of the Muslim religion himself.

On June 7, 1966, SONJI CLAY was interviewed at her residence, 6848 South Union, Chicago, Illinois. She advised she was married to CLAY for 11 months and resided with him at Louisville, Kentucky, Miami, Florida, and Chicago, Illinois, until August, 1965. She was in immediate association with him on a daily basis during the entire 11-month period, and knew him for one month before she married him. She knew he was a member of the NOI when she met him and during her period of marriage to him, she entered the NOI mosques, primarily at Chicago, on a relative weekly basis on Sunday.

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During interview with her, she advised that from her personal association with CLAY, she knows that the NOI controls his boxing career and through Main Bout, Inc., of New York City, which is owned and operated by the NOI, limits CLAY's income to 20 per cent of his earnings and the remaining 80 per cent is for the NOI. She advised that CLAY would comply with any directive of the NOI in that he is an absolute blind follower of ELIJAH MUHAMMAD.

On June 7, 1966, RAYMOND SHARRIEFF, 6839 South Cregier, Chicago, Illinois, was interviewed. He said he knows CLAY as MUHAMMAD ALI and identified himself as the son-in-law of ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, the leader of the NOI, being married to the latter's daughter. He said he himself has been a member of the NOI for approximately 33 to 34 years and at the present time, occupies the position of Captain of the FOI. He has known CLAY for at least two or three years.

During the course of the interview, he said that CLAY holds no official position with NOI and characterized CLAY in this regard as "just an active member". When asked if CLAY is a member of the FOI, SHARRIEFF stated that any male who entered the NOI is automatically a member of the FOI; however, CLAY holds no rank or title within the NOI.

On November 23, 1966, [redacted] Tuskegee Police Department, Tuskegee, Alabama, advised that CASSIUS CLAY was expected to arrive at Tuskegee that day and to speak at a program at Logan Hall on the Tuskegee Institute Campus, Wednesday, November 23, 1966.

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On November 29, 1966, [redacted] advised that he attended the program at Logan Hall on the night of November 23, 1966, when CASSIUS CLAY spoke to an audience of about 2,500 people, composed of students and residents of the community. CLAY spoke of his conversion to the Muslim religion and presented the NOI in a favorable light. He explained the adoption of the name MUHAMMAD ALI, remarking that Negroes do not have names of their own since the names commonly used had come from slave masters. CLAY remarked

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that he spent about \$20,000 for closed-circuit television showings of his fight with CLEVELAND WILLIAMS at various Negro colleges and expressed intentions to generally provide showings of future fights. He stated since he had to pay more than half his income in taxes, he could claim a tax deduction for this expense. He also expressed intention of returning to the Middle East for about two months in the near future. He expressed a friendly feeling towards the South, where he found people to be kind and pleasant, as not many people are in the North.

On June 11, 1966, ELIJAH MUHAMMAD was interviewed at his residence, 4847 South Woodlawn, Chicago, Illinois. In response to specific questions, he stated that the structure of the NOI consists of members, ministers and captains, in that order of predominance. He considers MUHAMMAD ALI (CASSIUS CLAY) genuinely sincere in that he is regular in attendance at the mosque meetings, but is not a minister or a captain, but a regular member of the NOI. In response to specific inquiries, he stated that there is no reason why ALI has not been utilized in any capacity other than "regular member", except NOI mosque leaders are chosen to achieve specific purposes such as helping individual members find their places at mosque meetings, etc. With regard to attendance at mosque meetings, he stated that ALI is regular in attendance and then qualified the remark by saying that he attends NOI meetings when he can attend.

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B. Promotion of NOI Causes

On October 16, 1964, LS T-20 advised that [redacted] told him he was in Miami, Florida, on October 15, 1964, where he contacted [redacted] who is providing substantial funds for [redacted] to set up a news service. The amount quoted by [redacted] was \$125,000. [redacted] added that he would receive \$175.00 weekly for expenses. This news service will be incorporated in New York City. *ku*

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[LS T-20 advised on October 16, 1964, that [redacted] formerly known as [redacted], is a member of the NOI in New York City and is now known as Booker Ali. *ku*

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[On December 21, 1964, LS T-9] advised that [redacted] had instructed HERBERT MUHAMMAD that all of his money should be put in the bank. He also instructed that the money should be given to RAYMOND SHARRIEFF to be put in the bank for him. *ku*

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The February 7, 1965, issue of the Chicago Sun Times, a daily newspaper published in Chicago, Illinois, carried an article on Page 56, which reflected CASSIUS (Muhammad Ali) CLAY, the heavyweight boxing champion of the world, would put on a nine-round boxing exhibition at Chicago Coliseum on February 27, 1965, to raise funds for the Black Muslims.

The February 16, 1965, issue of the Chicago Sun Times revealed that Illinois has issued a license to MUHAMMAD ALI to fight two exhibition bouts on February 27, 1965, in Chicago. Tickets for the five rounds cost from \$1.50 to \$7.50, and all receipts go to the Black Muslims.

[On May 10, 1965, LS T-3] advised that the [redacted] also known as [redacted]

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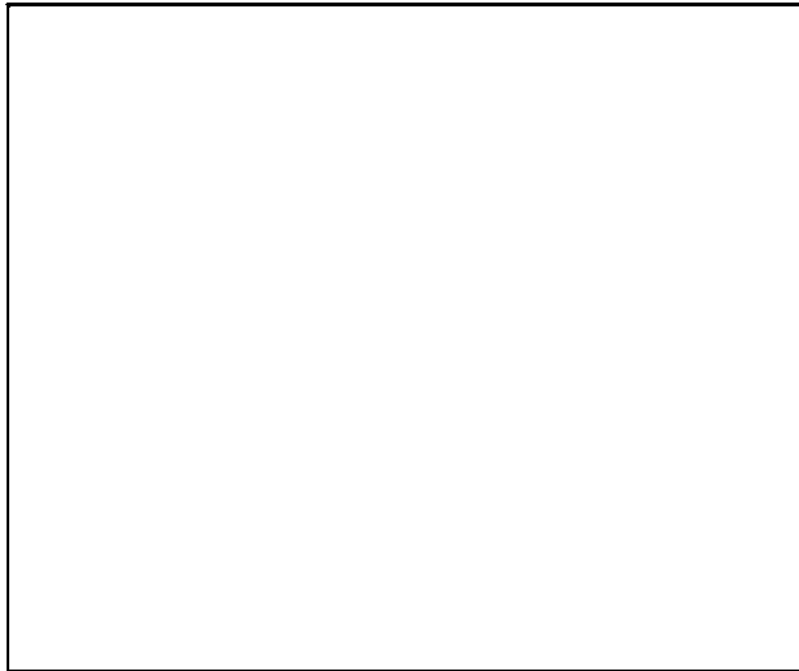
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[redacted] is sent to the Herbert Studios, at 634 East 79th Street, Chicago, Illinois. HERBERT MUHAMMAD operates the Herbert Studios, but the address 634 East 79th Street is that of "Muhammad Speaks". As far as is known, monies received are kept by [redacted] HERBERT is a name used by HERBERT MUHAMMAD in connection with his photography shop at 648 East 79th Street, Chicago, and formerly known as Stan's Studios.

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[On March 8, 1965, LS T-10] advised that on the second day of the Muslims annual convention of Mosque No. 2, Chicago, Illinois, on February 27, 1965, CASSIUS CLAY gave a [redacted] against [redacted]

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[On March 10, 1964, LS T-11] advised [redacted] had been a constant companion of [redacted] for several years and [redacted] is a confirmed Black Muslim.

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On July 16, 1965, LS T-1 advised that [REDACTED] HERBERT MUHAMMAD [REDACTED] a [REDACTED] and not an NOI member, [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] of [REDACTED] and neither NOI members would leave [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] returning to [REDACTED] specific date unknown. The source further advised that immediately following [REDACTED] entourage would embark by air for a month's boxing tour in [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] The purpose of the tour, according to the source, is to obtain funds for the NOI. *QW*

On July 30, 1965, LS T-37 advised that [REDACTED] and HERBERT MUHAMMAD, along with [REDACTED] are on their way to [REDACTED] for an 18-day tour to raise money for the NOI. The plan is to put extra money in ELIJAH MUHAMMAD's coffers by [REDACTED] in order that MUHAMMAD might have enough money to purchase the Greek Temple, at 74th and Stoney Island Avenue, as a new NOI temple for \$3,000,000. *QW*

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The same source previously reported on July 23, 1965, that [ ] and [ ] had gone to [ ] and would then go on [ ] tour through Europe to raise money for the NOI. This was in response to an offer by [ ] to MUHAMMAD a month or so ago. *LU*

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On October 1, 1965, LS T-1 advised that ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, the leader of the NOI, continues to be primarily concerned with purchasing Sts. Constantine and Helen Greek Orthodox Church, 7351 South Stony Island, Chicago, Illinois. MUHAMMAD is attempting to barter the asking price of \$3,000,000 down to \$2,500,000 by making a cash offer of that amount. MUHAMMAD reportedly has already raised \$1,000,000 cash. *LU*

The same source advised HERBERT MUHAMMAD reportedly has commented that [ ] of the world, who is a member of the NOI and is known therein as "Muhammad Ali", has donated some \$40,000 to ELIJAH MUHAMMAD to help him purchase the above church. Apparently this donation was from receipts received by CLAY as a result of his recent European tour. CLAY has recently made guest appearances on television programs, such as "What's My Line" and "The Johnny Carson Show". CLAY donated the majority of what he received for these appearances to ELIJAH MUHAMMAD. CLAY is in the upper tax bracket and apparently feels he may as well give the money to MUHAMMAD, as he taxed for it. *LU*

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On October 29, 1965, LS T-1 advised that HERBERT MUHAMMAD reportedly is now on [ ] of [ ] and is receiving \$500.00 weekly. His title is not known, but he is some kind of a business manager. *LU*

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On February 4, 1966, LS T-1 advised that ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, the Messenger of Allah, and titular head of NOI, has issued instructions to the effect [ ] will go on a tour of [ ] and [ ] in [ ] of [ ] Official invitations have been received in this regard. The tour will, in all likelihood, cover other [ ] countries and may also include [ ] The tour will

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be extensive and possibly will take some two months. The purpose will be to let [redacted] and to give [redacted] the opportunity to extol ELIJAH MUHAMMAD and his teachings. [redacted] will give a [redacted] in [redacted] *CU*

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[On February 8, 1966, LS T-55] advised that early in 1966, an order had been placed with the A. G. Meier Uniform Company, Inc., 823 South Wabash, Chicago, Illinois, for an FOI Captain's uniform for [redacted]

[On February 26, 1966, LS T-1] advised that there was an article in the February 25, 1966, issue of The Chicago Sun Times, wherein it was stated CASSIUS CLAY was going to make the most abject apology known to man to the Illinois Boxing Commission. The source further advised that he later understood that MUHAMMAD called CASSIUS CLAY, HERBERT MUHAMMAD and possibly JOHN ALI, to his residence and it was decided no apology would be made to the Boxing Commission. This was directed by ELIJAH MUHAMMAD and was a surprise to CLAY's legal representation at the Illinois Boxing Commission. On later advice from a Chicago attorney, who has represented MUHAMMAD in the past, ELIJAH MUHAMMAD is taking control over CLAY away from HERBERT MUHAMMAD, and will now have the final say on CLAY's actions.

[On April 26, 1966, LS T-10] *CU* advised that JOHN ALI is the National Secretary of the NOI, and that he assists in public relations' matters and fund drives.

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On February 28, 1966, LS T-3<sup>u</sup> advised that CASSIUS CLAY wore an FOI Captain's uniform at the annual Muslim convention held at the Chicago Coliseum, on February 26-27, 1966. The source advised that CLAY is definitely not a Captain in the FOI, and his wearing the uniform was only honorary. He holds no position whatsoever in the FOI, and does not even attend FOI meetings. Officials in the NOI want to force him to attend FOI meetings to discipline him, as they are extremely dissatisfied with his attitude and the way he speaks so spontaneously. They feel he needs much more discipline than he presently has to be a satisfactory Muslim.

On March 11, 1966, LS T-1<sup>u</sup> advised that [redacted] is a member of the NOI and FOI under the name [redacted] which name was given him by ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, leader of the NOI. [redacted] attended the February 26-27, 1966, sessions of the annual Muslim convention at the Coliseum in Chicago. On both days, he wore the uniform of a Captain in the FOI. At first, he did not want to wear this uniform but was persuaded to do so. [redacted] has no position of authority in the NOI. His wearing of an FOI Captain's uniform is merely indicative of an honorary title bestowed on him because of his publicity value to the NOI.

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On March 9, 1966, LS T-53<sup>u</sup> advised that CASSIUS CLAY, heavyweight boxing champion of the world, is a member of the NOI - FOI under the name MUHAMMAD ALI. He has no known position of authority in the NOI, although he is treated as a "VIP" presumably because of his publicity value to the NOI. CLAY adheres to the teachings of ELIJAH MUHAMMAD.

On March 2, 1966, LS T-54<sup>u</sup> advised that CASSIUS CLAY, heavyweight boxing champion of the world, is a member of the NOI and a follower of ELIJAH MUHAMMAD. CLAY is known in the NOI as MUHAMMAD ALI. He holds no position of authority in the NOI or at Muhammad's Temple No. 2, 5335 South Greenwood Avenue, Chicago, Illinois. The NOI does use CLAY for publicity purposes.

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Substantially the same information, as above, was furnished by the following:

LS T-10, on February 28, 1966

LS T-28, on March 15, 1966

LS T-29, on March 16, 1966

LS T-56, on March 17, 1966

On May 24, 1966, LS T-1 advised that [redacted] HERBERT MUHAMMAD and [redacted] following [redacted] proceeded to Cairo, Egypt, at the invitation of President GAMAL ABDEL NASSER of the United Arab Republic. The purpose of the trip is to promote the image of the NOI in Egypt. [redacted] MUHAMMAD and ALI contemplated returning to the United States on or about June 6, 1966. *fu*

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[On June 19, 1966, LS T-9 advised he has heard ELIJAH MUHAMMAD comment that [redacted] has done very good in helping him get more followers. ELIJAH commented that [redacted] recently got 200 new followers for the NOI in Detroit, Michigan. *fu*

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During an interview with [redacted] Louisville, Kentucky, on May 24, 1966, she commented that since moving from the neighborhood and becoming [redacted] has made it a point when in Louisville to visit in the Grand Avenue neighborhood. On these occasions, he has personally visited in [redacted]. He was last in the [redacted] home on Christmas Eve of [redacted]. On this occasion, he left some literature relating to the Islam religion for [redacted] to read. He did not discuss this in detail with [redacted] but just left the literature for her to read.

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JAMES A. ELLIS, 1346 South 12th Street, Louisville, Kentucky, was interviewed on June 3, 1966. During the course of the interview, ELLIS commented that CLAY has invited him to

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go with him to a Muslim Temple, but ELLIS has pointed out to CLAY that he is a Baptist and CLAY has not pursued the point.

On May 24, 1966, [redacted] Louisville, Kentucky, was interviewed. During the course of the interview, he advised that he recalls in about the year 1962 [redacted] visited his home and had a record with him concerning the Muslim religion. [redacted] played the record while [redacted] and [redacted] listened to it. He recalled that he and [redacted] expressed their opposition to many of the things in the record. Some of the things they opposed were such statements as "The Negro has been ignorant and a slave of the white man.", and that the white man "is a devil". At the completion of the record, [redacted] remarked to [redacted] that they had learned something from the record, and should agree with the things that they heard. They both expressed their opposition to such beliefs. This was the last time [redacted] visited in their home.

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During interview with [redacted] Louisville, Kentucky, on May 24, 1966, she advised that subsequent to 1960, [redacted] interest in the Muslim religion seemed to grow and as [redacted] recalls, it was about 1962 when [redacted] was visiting in their home. He had a record with him concerning the Muslim religion. He played the record and it had many things in it with which [redacted] disagreed. She recalled that such things were stated as "The Negroes had been ignorant and had been a slave to the white man for many years.", and the white man was referred to as a "devil". She expressed her disagreement with the things played on the record, and CLAY tried to tell her that she should listen to the record and agree with the remarks made. She tried to explain to him that he was wrong in believing in such things, but he was firm in his belief. Since that time, he has not visited in [redacted] home.

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Interviews with [redacted] JAMES ELLIS and [redacted] were conducted during the investigation of CLAY under the provisions of the Selective Service Act of 1948.

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On June 10, 1966, LS T-3 advised that ELIJAH MUHAMMAD was happy over the reception CASSIUS CLAY, HERBERT MUHAMMAD and, JOHN ALI received in Egypt recently. He had stated they were welcomed by approximately 20,000 people, including President NASSER of the United Arab Republic.

On July 8, 1966, LS T-3 advised that an organization known as [redacted] is being formed for the purpose of using endorsements by [redacted] on certain products, especially export-import goods, with emphasis on those goods going overseas. Stationery has been issued by this corporation and reflects it is located at 120 East 56th Street, New York City, and has telephone number PL 1-2480. Plans call for this corporation to have branches all over the United States, with headquarters in New York City. [redacted] planned to be president of this organization; however, HERBERT MUHAMMAD, who is scheduled to be executive vice president, has not decided who will actually be the president. The source advised that [redacted] is a [redacted] who is also associated with Main Bout, Inc. [redacted] originated the idea of [redacted] [redacted] will be associated with this corporation, as will [redacted] a [redacted] who is also associated with Main Bout, Inc.

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LS T-3 advised in January, 1966, that Main Bout, Inc., was being set up in New York City to arrange and control ancillary television rights for [redacted]

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On August 30, 1966, LS T-35 advised there was an NOI mass meeting held at the Chicago Amphitheater in Chicago, Illinois, on August 28, 1966. CASSIUS CLAY (MUHAMMAD ALI) was on the street about 1:00 P.M. in front of the amphitheater trying to talk things up and encourage a group of Negroes on the other side of the street to come on over and enter the meeting. Most, if not all of the Negroes, ignored his plea.

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CASSIUS CLAY was introduced as one of MUHAMMAD's ministers, and he was allowed to speak for five minutes or so. As usual, CLAY exhorted the fame and greatness of ELIJAH MUHAMMAD as Allah's only true Messenger and then thanked the audience for the kind things many of them said when they were visited by the FBI, who were inquiring about his Selective Service status. The source stated it was not clear to him, while CLAY was speaking, just what he was referring to when he thanked the audience for their cooperation.

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### III. STATEMENTS ATTRIBUTED TO CLAY BY NEWSPAPER AND NEWS MEDIA

The May 22, 1964, issue of "Muhammad Speaks" quotes CLAY as saying, "The teachings of the Honorable Elijah Muhammad gives us a true knowledge of our history and of our own selves. It gives us the true history and science of the world of black people. It gives us pride in ourselves and our people. It is because I am a follower of the Messenger that has brought me personal invitations from Asian and African presidents and prime ministers."

The news article also states that according to CLAY, it was his belief in the religion of Islam, as taught by the Messenger of Allah, that gave him the strength and confidence to call the very round in which he would knock out his opponent. CLAY is quoted as saying, "You, too, can have the power to overcome the obstacles in your struggle for freedom if you will accept Islam as your religion and the Honorable Elijah Muhammad as leader and teacher."

The May 31-June 6, 1964, issue of "TV Preview", a weekly publication, reflects that "Dateline Chicago" appeared on Channel 5, WMBQ-TV, Chicago, Illinois, at 10:15 P.M., on Friday, May 31, 1964. The program was entitled "Black Muslims at the Crossroads" and according to the article, the Muslims are studied through films of their leader, ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, and others. The program consisted of a representation of previous film tracks made by MUHAMMAD and others. In the film, CLAY was asked at a meeting with reporters at O'Hare Airport, "What does your lapel pin symbolize? Is that Elijah Muhammad's emblem?" CLAY answered that the sun represents freedom and the moon represents justice, and the star represents equality. "That's the real freedom sign.", CLAY stated. He was then asked if he was talking about civil rights freedom now, "Is that what you're talking about?" CLAY answered, "No. I didn't say nothing about civil rights. This is complete freedom, not just a cup of coffee or a seat in the school or a token. This is real."

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He was then asked, "What does real freedom mean? Does this mean the black man takes over and runs his own society or what?" CLAY answered, "Well, I don't know about that. I'm not that powerful."

The question was then put to him "Well, you're talking about real freedom. Could you elaborate on that a little bit?" To which question CLAY answered, "Well, I'm like Muhammad teaches. The only freedom we can really have is separation."

From the June 24, 1964, issue of the New York Journal American, a daily newspaper published in New York, CLAY is reported as stating he plans to meet MUHAMMAD on Sunday afternoon at the 369th Regimental Army Armory in Harlem. He is then quoted as stating, "I'm nervous every time I go around him. He's so big and so wide. It's like being next to God."

In an article written by EARL L. RUBY, Courier-Journal Sports Editor, in the July 3, 1964, issue of the Courier-Journal, a daily Louisville, Kentucky, newspaper, RUBY reports that CASSIUS CLAY, heavyweight boxing champion of the world, sat in the center of a large deep-piled "praying" rug given him by GAMAL ABDEL NASSER, President of the United Arab Republic, on a recent trip to Egypt and Africa, and invited two girlfriends to sit beside him for a picture. CLAY is quoted as saying, "The rug is used for praying by us Muslims. Of course, here, I've got to use it in our recreation room. It won't set no place else."

The July 9, 1964, issue of the Courier-Journal newspaper reports that CASSIUS CLAY told a television audience on the evening of July 8, 1964, that he's against forced integration, "...when it brings about the death of people, especially my people, and people being beat with clubs and pushed and ducked in water at beaches, and people come up disappearing and blowed up in churches, then I don't like that." He is quoted as making this statement on WOI-TV interview program entitled "Ladies of the Press". CLAY said he had no immediate plans for changing his residence to Africa unless all of America's 22 million Negroes could leave with him. CLAY has called Africa "home".



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In talking about his recent African tour, he said he did not see one savage; he did not see one uncivilized person. Everybody was so clean and respectable, it was really unbelievable. He said that even if integration could accomplish that tomorrow, it would do the Negro no good because of the economic problems which have to be solved first. In answer to the question, "Are you ever mistreated in this country yourself?", he answered, "No one will lay a hand on me."

In the July 19, 1964, issue of the Courier-Journal newspaper under the byline of LARRY BOECK, CLAY is quoted as saying, "I want Floyd Patterson. He insulted my religion and I want to get at him." The article goes on to state CLAY is a member of the Black Muslim sect and PATTERSON, who recently scored a convincing decision victory over EDDIE MACHEN, made some remarks about the Muslims which CLAY did not like.

"Muhammad Speaks" newspaper, Volume III, No. 23, dated July 31, 1964, on Page 4, carried a photograph of the following:

"GHANA MUSLIM COUNCIL  
(Headquarters)

Motto: KNOWLEDGE IS LIGHT  
Bankers: Ghana Commercial Bank

P.O. BOX 1891  
ACCRA, GHANA

Your Ref.....

Our Ref..GMC/01/2

...22nd May.....19.64.

MUHAMMAD ALI,  
THE AMERICAN BLACK MUSLIM MOVEMENT,  
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

CERTIFICATE OF HONOUR

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This is to certify that MR. MUHAMMAD ALI, of the American Black Muslim Movement has been accepted into the Ghana Muslim Council as an Honourary Executive Member.

His membership, therefore, allows him the privileges and rights enjoyed by member Executives and authority of office as governed by the Council's Constitution and Act of 1964.

The citation is in appreciation of the American Black Muslim Movement's efforts in making the visit of Alhaji Ali (The World Boxing Heavyweight Champion) to Ghana possible; and also the contribution towards the Ghana Muslim Council's aspirations.

May ALLAH guide him to the path of glory, Amen.

"/s/ (illegible signature)

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The caption for this photograph reflected this was evidence of the high esteem in which the followers of the Honorable ELIJAH MUHAMMAD were held in the Muslim world. It also reflected that a similar certificate of acceptance was given to CLAY while he was in Cairo by the World Islamic Youth Conference.

The August 11, 1964, issue of The Herald-Examiner newspaper, a daily newspaper published in Los Angeles, California, reveals that MUHAMMAD ALI was interviewed by MERV HARRIS, a Herald-Examiner Staff Writer, in ALI's room at the Statler-Hilton Hotel. CLAY is quoted as saying, "God ordained Elijah Muhammad to name me. Elijah Muhammad said when I give you this name, it will put you in heaven." CLAY explained that "Muhammad" means "worthy of all praise and praised by all", and that "Ali" means "most high". "The name fits.", he stated. He was asked if he had taken legal action and he answered, "If I ask a man to change my name, that cheapens God. I did not go to court to get my real name, that is, Muhammad Ali, back because that name belongs to God's people."

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The article states that to MUHAMMAD ALI, Islam is unchangeable belief and ELIJAH MUHAMMAD is to be venerated. ELIJAH MUHAMMAD's instructions are to be followed exactly and immediately.

CLAY is also quoted as saying, "My leader said he wants to make me a minister. I'm scufflin to be a minister. I'll preach to Negroes to quit fastening to whites and do something for their own people." When asked as to his role today, he is quoted as saying, "I am just one of the followers who need this-it don't need me. I'm just one humble little follower who happens to be famous." He had no explanation for his being seated on the rostrum at the Olympic Auditorium on Sunday when ELIJAH MUHAMMAD addressed a meeting of his followers.

The August 10, 1964, issue of the Herald-Examiner newspaper reports that the Black Muslim leader, ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, on that date, exhorted Los Angeles sect members to make a choice between God and Satan in the complete separation of United States Negroes from the whites by 1970. The Black Supremacy spokesman shouted his charges that "the white race is the race of the Devil", while heavyweight boxing champion CASSIUS CLAY, a speaker at the meeting, cheered him on with cries of "Teach the truth, teach the truth." CLAY, a sect member known as MUHAMMAD ALI, said it was ELIJAH MUHAMMAD who made him a boxing champion. He is quoted as saying, "He taught me how to talk, and my talking won the championship for me." CLAY said he had been cleansed of habits that included smoking, drinking and having a 100 girlfriends since becoming a Muslim.

CLAY is further quoted as saying, "I said if I get to be champion, I was going to get me one of those white ladies, but Elijah Muhammad taught me the white race was inferior to the Negro and I gave up vices of the white man."

In an article by BRAD PYE, JR., appearing the Los Angeles Sentinel, a weekly newspaper published at Los Angeles, California, the writer of the article points out that he

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interviewed CASSIUS CLAY (MUHAMMAD ALI) in the latter's room at the Statler-Hilton Hotel. After other reporters left his room, CLAY asked SONJI to come out of the bathroom where she had been for more than two hours while the champion answered reporters' questions. CLAY asked her to tell the writer of this news article that she was his wife, and she said that they were married. CLAY also asked her to tell him what religion she believed in and she answered that she was a Muslim. CLAY also asked her to tell him who her leader was, and she answered the Honorable ELIJAH MUHAMMAD and she further answered, in response to CLAY's question, that she was willing to die for the Honorable ELIJAH MUHAMMAD.

On January 21, 1965, CASSIUS CLAY made a guest appearance on the "Les Crane Show", which appears on New York television station WABC-TV from 11:15 P.M. to 1:00 A.M. His appearance was for approximately 30 minutes.

Most of the discussion centered around his boxing future and his temperament.

CLAY stated he believed in the teaching of the NOI but that NOI leader, ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, would be the one on the program to answer questions about NOI teaching as he, CLAY, is just a follower.

CLAY stated that NOI has done much good for the Negro such as elevating his way of life, uplifting his morals and giving him dignity.

The NOI, according to CLAY, had given him a great amount of prestige in certain Muslim countries.

In the February 24, 1965, issue of the Courier-Journal newspaper, Louisville, Kentucky, in an article written by WILL GRIMSLEY, Associated Press, CLAY is attributed as saying that MALCOLM X. was his friend and he was a friend of everybody, as well as he was a member of Islam, but that now he did not want to talk about him. CLAY is also attributed as saying "all of us were shocked at the way he was killed", and that ELIJAH MUHAMMAD had denied that the Muslims were responsible.

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CLAY said that "we are not a violent people and do not carry guns". He is quoted as saying, "I am a follower of Elijah Muhammad. He's the boss. He's the Messenger of God, the Messenger of Allah."

The article further relates that a Chicago newsman reported that CLAY visited MUHAMMAD for two hours during the evening, saying "I just came over to talk to my leader." On leaving, he said that ELIJAH MUHAMMAD "isn't concerned about the threats" (in regards to the recent death of MALCOLM X.) and that he and ELIJAH did not even discuss it. CLAY denied that he had any intentions of quitting and stated that, "Elijah Muhammad is my leader--I believe in him."

A film clip was shown on February 28, 1965, on "Kup's Show", a TV panel type discussion televised on tape from Chicago, Illinois, over WBKB-TV from approximately 12:15 A.M. to 3:00 A.M. In the film clip, KUP is talking to MUHAMMAD ALI and points out that last week, a friend of his (CLAY's), MALCOLM X., was on this same show and denounced the so-called Muslims, of which CLAY is a member, and he denounced the man CLAY calls the Honorable ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, the leader of CLAY. KUP stated to CLAY as follows: "Perhaps you had a report on this and I wonder if you would like to retaliate because at that time, the Muslims told me they'd like to have you come on and answer Malcolm X."

CLAY answered KUP as follows: "I have one thing to say. First of all, I am the heavyweight boxing champion and by accepting the Islamic religion here, it has seemed to cause a disturbance and hundreds of people are joining and are sympathizing with it daily but they're just not recognized because they're not famous but they've made a big case out of me and they're putting me in the position of being an authority or a minister which I am not. The knowledge that I have is a grain of sand in a desert compared to the knowledge of the Honorable Elijah Muhammad."

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In the February 24, 1965, issue of the Chicago American, a daily newspaper published at Chicago, Illinois, in an article by MICHAEL R. MC GOVERN, it states that as to the question of his friendship with the late MALCOLM X., the 39-year old fiery orator who split with ELIJAH MUHAMMAD a year ago to found his (MALCOLM X.'s) rival Black Nationalist organization, CASSIUS CLAY said, "I...We didn't follow him. Not after he did what he did. We did before, but not after he left Islam. I am a follower of Elijah Muhammad. He's the boss. He's the Messenger of God, the Messenger of Allah."

In an article dated May 22, 1964, appearing in the Chicago Daily News, a daily newspaper published in Chicago, Illinois, an article appears written by MARINO DE MEDICI, reporting an interview he had with CASSIUS CLAY in the lobby of the Roberts Motel on Chicago's south side. He quotes CLAY as saying, "When I was Cassius Clay, Negro and Christian, they did not come to me. Now they worry. Patterson was a Catholic; Joe Louis was a Baptist, and no one cared about that. Being a Muslim makes me feel equal, I can walk with my head up, I don't need to marry a white woman. Jesus was good, but where you find Christianity, you find Negro slaves who catch hell, who let white men use their women." The writer asked CLAY how it was possible for him to continue boxing when ELIJAH's Muslim sect supposedly frowns on violence. CLAY stated that "I asked my leader and master, Elijah Muhammad, whether I had to give it up but he said okay, he told me to go on. As long as Muhammad lets me fight, I will fight. If he tells me to quit, I will quit." CLAY stated that "A Muslim is a man who submits entirely to his religion. Since I became a Muslim, I have gained respect." CLAY was asked how he explains the small percentage from among America's 24,000,000 Negro Americans who have joined the Muslims, and is quoted as saying, "You will see. Within 24 months, all Negroes will become Muslims. Muhammad is never wrong. He is the Messenger to 24,000,000 Negroes, blind and dead Negroes." During the course of the interview, CLAY was asked which he considered more important, his crown, meaning his boxing crown, or the Muslims. He answered that, "I prefer to continue to

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be a fighter and to convert the Negroes who know me. Of course, religion is more important than fighting. If all American Negroes are not Muslims within two years, I'll get out of the Muslims."

In an article entitled "Cassius Appeals; Muslims Not At War", in the February 18, 1966, issue of the Chicago Daily News, a daily newspaper published at Chicago, Illinois, CASSIUS CLAY was quoted as having said he would seek to avoid military service because of his religious beliefs and as having stated, "I am a member of the Muslims, and we don't go to no wars unless they are declared by Allah himself. I don't have no personal quarrel with those Vietcongs." The article reported that CLAY said he had not spoken to ELIJAH MUHAMMAD about making his appeal to his 1-A classification. Also, that CLAY said, "Let me tell you, we Muslims are taught to defend ourselves when we are attacked. Those Vietcong are not attacking me." Further, "These Vietcongs are fighting a very nasty war over there. There is a lot of people getting killed. Why should we Muslims get involved?"

An article appearing in the February 19, 1966, issue of the Courier-Journal newspaper, Louisville, Kentucky, entitled "Clay To Seek Draft Status As Objector", by JAMES S. TUNNELL, reported that CLAY said on February 18, 1966, he would ask his draft to classify him as a conscientious objector, and that his religious convictions would forbid him from serving in the Army. He is quoted as having said, "I am going to appeal this. The theory of God, Allah, I have won't let me go. In Islam, we don't believe in killing off other human beings. I can't go."

In an article by MUHAMMAD ALI, appearing in the April 15, 1966, issue of "Muhammad Speaks", entitled "Muhammad Ali: Allah and his Messenger, the True Source of My Strength, Power", CLAY confesses he had erred in his CHUVALO fight. CLAY stated that he had neglected to rely on the one divine fountain that had previously carried him successfully through his major fights; that he was relying on his natural ability to beat CHUVALO, whereas he should have placed his faith, prayers, and reliance first upon Almighty God (Allah) and his Messenger, the Honorable ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, the true source

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of his strength and power. CLAY further wrote that what had happened to him is a prime example of what can befall everyone who forgets to place Allah and his Messenger in front of his endeavors, rather than behind them.

An article entitled "Clay Bridles At Mention of Muslims", in the May 10, 1966, issue of the Louisville Times, Louisville, Kentucky, reported that CLAY, when asked concerning the Black Muslims and a possible connection with Nazism, had said "I am not a Black Muslim. I am a Muslim, a man who submits entirely to the word of God. Color doesn't enter into it....".

In an article appearing in the July 27, 1966, issue of the Courier-Journal newspaper, Louisville, Kentucky, entitled "Clay Feels Call?", CASSIUS CLAY is reported to have said on July 26, 1966, he expects to retire in two years and will become a Black Muslim preacher. He was asked what he would do when he quit boxing, and he said, "I'll become a minister. I'll go wherever Elijah Muhammad (Black Muslim leader) wants me to go."

The August 24, 1966, issue of the Louisville Times, a daily newspaper published in Louisville, Kentucky, contains an article under the byline of CONNIE COURTEAU, quoting CASSIUS CLAY as saying, "It's true I'm a minister, I have been for the past two years....Mr. Covington noticed it...it just never was publicized." He said that, "When I'm in training (for a fight) as I am now, I spend two hours a day training for four weeks. The rest of the time I've been ministering around different parts of the country for the Muslims."

An article written by JAMES DRISCOLL, Staff Writer, Courier-Journal newspaper, Louisville, Kentucky, appearing in the August 24, 1966, edition, stated that CLAY reportedly said that 90% of his time is spent on religion and that he travels in different parts of the country to give lectures and try to convert people to the Muslim faith. Even while training for a fight, he spends five hours a day studying his religion.

The article points out that CLAY follows the Muslim faith and says he has been a Black Muslim minister since 1964. CLAY himself also testified. The statements were made as

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CLAY appeared at a special Federal hearing in Louisville, Kentucky, to press his case for deferment from military draft.

In an article appearing in the August 23, 1966, issue of the Louisville Times, Louisville, Kentucky, Attorney HAYDEN COVINGTON of New York, attorney for CASSIUS CLAY, said he filed with the draft board, a petition for reopening the entire case and reclassifying CLAY as a minister. He said he planned to use the argument that CLAY had been a Black Muslim minister for two years, and that he could not understand why it was not pointed out before. CLAY is attributed as saying he had preached the gospel of the Muslims for the last two years, and that "I converted thousands of Negroes, I deeply believe in this faith... I like preaching better than fighting."

The September 16, 1966, issue of "Muhammad Speaks" carries an article entitled "Muhammad Ali Ready For Sixth Title Defense, Champ's Strength Found in Islam". The article states that on the eve of the sixth defense of his title, this time against Germany's powerful KARL MILDENBERGER, MUHAMMAD ALI, the youthful Muslim world's champion--conscious of greetings, good wishes and letters from fellow Muslims throughout the world--extended his salutations and told "Muhammad Speaks" that he was in perfect condition. "However, my strength is not only in my own physical prowess, but in the spiritual strength given to me by the Honorable Elijah Muhammad, the Messenger of Allah and great leader of millions of believers throughout America and the world.", he stated. He further said, "As I prepare to enter the arena here in Frankfurt, I urge all brothers and sisters in America, and particularly followers of our great leader and teacher, the Honorable Elijah Muhammad, to pray that I may again be successful and that I return home quickly, bringing the title back with me as I have done in the past."

In the November 14, 1966, issue of the Louisville Times, Louisville, Kentucky, under the byline of DEAN EAGLE, Louisville Times Sports Editor, it was reported that MUHAMMAD ALI, who was CASSIUS CLAY before his marriage to the Muslim religion, preached a sermon and got 260 converts on the eve of his heavyweight title bout with CLEVELAND WILLIAMS. CLAY

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is quoted as saying, "We've had a total of 900 converts in the four meetings I've been to, but only about half of them will stay in the faith." The article points out that at precisely 1:50 P.M., November 13, 1966, CLAY and his brother, accompanied by five Muslim brothers, went to the Muhammad Mosque of Islam located in a rundown neighborhood. CLAY estimated the crowd at 450. The women were seated on one side and the men on the other. The meeting opened and closed with prayer. In between, CLAY admonished the women to lengthen their dresses. He advised the men to take care of their women and not beat them. He told the group to clean themselves up and be better citizens, and if the government sees that they are doing better they would help them. "Don't expect the white man to come down and clean up your neighborhood unless you show him you have pride in yourself.", he stated.

There was much autographing for CLAY after the service. He was asked if Muslims hated whites and he answered, "No. There are some white people in the Muslims. The white people think that Muslims are a hate group because we want to stay by ourselves."

The February 6, 1967, issue of the Chicago American, a daily newspaper published in Chicago, Illinois, contains an article from Houston, Texas, indicating that CASSIUS CLAY, the heavyweight boxing champion of the world, had come to the Mosque at 3400 Polk, Houston, Texas, to minister to his brothers and sisters of Islam. The article states that the heavyweight champion of the world alluded to the controversy over his military draft status. "We have a problem, as you know," he said, "the question is, am I a minister. Well, this man, the Honorable Elijah Muhammad, ordained me, and I'm here today to speak to you as a minister."

In an article by JAMES CUSICK, appearing in the February 13, 1967, issue of the Newark Evening News, a daily newspaper published in Newark, New Jersey, it is pointed out that MUHAMMAD ALI (CASSIUS CLAY) was at the Shabaaz Restaurant. He is quoted as saying, "I am the greatest minister my faith ever had. People come to hear me speak. I'm here to tell people about the life of Elijah Muhammad, our leader, to bring them our religion. A religion that teaches self-respect and dignity. A religion that

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teaches people to obey the laws of the land. I just finished speaking to folks at the temple across the street. We made, how many, Brother John? We made, that's right, 250 converts today."

Further on in the article, CLAY is quoted as saying "I can't say nothing about the draft. I have my religion and my beliefs. That's what makes me the world's greatest fighter. I don't think they'd put me in jail for my beliefs. That's what we're fighting for over there (Vietnam). So the person can believe what he wants."

On April 28, 1967, the world heavyweight champion, MUHAMMAD ALI, made an official press release from Houston, Texas, following his refusal to take the oath of induction at the U.S. Army Induction Center in Houston. The press' release states in part, "As a minister in Islam and as the world's heavyweight champion, I wish to take this opportunity to thank the thousands of boxing fans who have attended my fights throughout my career... It is in the light of my consciousness as a Muslim minister and my own personal convictions that I take my stand in rejecting the call to be inducted into the Armed Services."

The April 23, 1967, issue of "The Washington Post and Times Herald", a daily Washington, D. C., newspaper, contained an article which indicated CASSIUS CLAY had spoken on the HU campus (Howard University), on April 22, 1967. He addressed approximately 800 students. His talk in general, concerned his "Black Muslim" religion and urged the students to seek the teachings of ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, national leader of the Black Muslims. CLAY autographed copies of the Muslim newspaper, "Muhammad Speaks", after his speech.

The April 23, 1967, issue of the Sunday Star, a Washington, D. C., daily newspaper, indicated that CASSIUS CLAY, in his appearance on the Howard University campus, greatly aided the sale of "Muhammad Speaks" newspapers when he stated he would only autograph copies of that newspaper.

The Washington Post and Times Herald, in its issue of April 24, 1967, reflected that on April 23, 1967, CLAY visited two correctional institutions at Lorton, Virginia.

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At both institutions, he preached the word of the Black Muslim sect. The article stated that CLAY said the blacks are superior to whites, and Islam is the only true religion.

The Washington Post and Times Herald, Washington, D.C., issue of May 1, 1967, carried an article concerning a visit of CASSIUS CLAY to Washington, D. C. The article stated CLAY arrived at Washington on the evening of April 29, 1967. He called the local Black Muslim mosque from his hotel room in the Washington Hilton Hotel, and was picked up shortly thereafter by members of the mosque and taken to Radio Station WOOK for a brief interview on a television program entitled "Controversy". CLAY stated people say he was wrong for being a Muslim and for refusing to be drafted, but that all he was doing was following the teachings of the Honorable ELIJAH MUHAMMAD. The newspaper article further advised that CLAY stated he was starting a nationwide tour for the Muslims. He was going to visit mosques all over the country. His first stop was at the local mosque, where the audience included ELIJAH MUHAMMAD's wife. He picked Washington, D. C., as a starting point for his tour as this was the capitol of the nation and more Negroes lived there than anywhere else.

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IV. FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE OF [ ] TO NOI

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On January 8, 1966, LS T-1 advised that [ ] a [ ] who legally represents [ ] is setting up "Main Bout, Inc." for the purpose of [ ] the [ ] who is a member of the NOI, having been given the name [ ] by ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, the national leader of the NOI. Main Bout, Inc. will control [ ] and will also [ ] The organization will be headquartered in New York City. [ ] and [ ] will advise [ ] as his future plans are concerned. The officers of Main Bout, Inc. are to be as follows: [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] is not a member of the NOI. It appears he has been "roped in" on this by [ ] for Main Bout, Inc. will be [ ]

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The NOI will also receive income from receipts of Main Bout, Inc., although the percentage is not known.

Approximately one week ago, according to HERBERT MUHAMMAD, ELIJAH MUHAMMAD designated him to be CLAY's manager. [ ] who is a member of the NOI under the name [ ] which was given him by ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, will also be managed by Main Bout, Inc. [ ] who is a member of the NOI under the name [ ] will be included in Main Bout, Inc. and will be [ ] Main Bout, Inc. was sold to [ ] partially on the premise he could take care of [ ] and [ ] a friend, without losing any of his profits. [ ]

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On January 14, 1966, LS T-1 advised that [ ] of Louisville, Kentucky, who was a member of the NOI and who was a [ ] of [ ] and was scheduled to be employed in Main Bout, Inc., has now been thrown out of the NOI. According to [ ] had been having

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[redacted] will not even talk to [redacted] now. *CU*

LS T-1 also advised there is much friction in [redacted] regarding [redacted] and Main Bout, Inc. [redacted] had complained to a degree about HERBERT MUHAMMAD to [redacted] one of ELIJAH MUHAMMAD's older sons.

Source added that [redacted] does not have the courage, however, to go any further. He also advised that [redacted] also wants in on some of this money, and there is definitely friction involved. *CU*

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On December 28, 1965, LS T-9 *CU* advised that [redacted] was in his home town in Louisville, Kentucky, to meet with businessmen and [redacted] wanted HERBERT MUHAMMAD to come to Louisville to help him with [redacted]. On the same date, it was learned that [redacted] had sent \$20,000 to Chicago, Illinois. Of this, \$5,000 was for [redacted] a [redacted] who has done legal work for the NOI. This money was to take care of his expenses in Chicago. Further, \$15,000 was for HERBERT MUHAMMAD. Some of the money was for MUHAMMAD's business in Chicago, and some was to go to EDWARD JACKO, a New York attorney, who has done legal work for the NOI in the past. *EDWARD JACKO*

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On February 4, 1966, LS T-1 advised that [redacted] who resides in [redacted] and who is believed to be associated with [redacted] is involved in some manner in investing money for [redacted] and HERBERT MUHAMMAD. It is understood [redacted] recently gave HERBERT MUHAMMAD \$25,000 for services. HERBERT then gave this money to [redacted] to put in the Seaway National Bank. *CU*

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On February 23, 1966, LS T-1 advised that [redacted] dropped [redacted] and has been ordered by NOI officials to no longer speak to LOUIS. *CU*

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On March 4, 1966, LS T-1 advised that [redacted] and [redacted] have entered into an agreement with HERBERT MUHAMMAD whereby they will give HERBERT \$40,000 of the receipts of the [redacted] "under the table" to him. In return, HERBERT is cutting them in for seven per cent of the ancillary proceeds from [redacted] *CL*

During interview with [redacted] Louisville, Kentucky, [redacted] Louisville, Kentucky, on May 27, 1966, [redacted] indicated he does not personally feel [redacted] has contributed heavily financially to the Muslims as a group. However, he believes that [redacted] current personal financial difficulties stem from the fact that the Federal and State taxes have taken heavily from [redacted] and [redacted]

Further, [redacted] while [redacted] may not have contributed heavily financially to the Muslim group, he has had around him many Muslims that he gives money to personally. [redacted] mentioned that HERBERT MUHAMMAD, son of ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, reportedly received from [redacted] personally approximately \$250 to \$300 weekly for whatever services HERBERT MUHAMMAD might render. Although he is not sure of the exact figure, [redacted] said that CLAY is currently indebted financially to [redacted] He estimated the figure to be about \$30,000, but anticipates that after the proceeds of [redacted] are received, he will pay what he owes to [redacted] as he has always done in the past. *N.Y.*

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On June 6, 1966, ARTHUR W. GRAFTON, Attorney, Senior Partner in the firm of Wyatt, Grafton and Sloss, 300 Marion E. Taylor Building, Louisville, Kentucky, residence 10801 Highway 42, Prospect, Kentucky, advised he has known CASSIUS CLAY, JR., the current heavyweight boxing champion, since 1960 when CLAY signed a contract with an eleven-member Louisville, Kentucky, sponsoring group to sponsor his professional career as a boxer. His own law firm represented the interests of the sponsoring group. At that time, attorney [redacted]

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was the active attorney handling the matter for the firm. Since about the second week in May, 1965, due to an illness on the part of [REDACTED] GRAFTON took over the active duties of the law firm with respect to the sponsoring group's interests in CLAY. Since that time, he has been the attorney in the law firm active with respect to the firm's contracts with CLAY.

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Near the end of July, 1965, GRAFTON was in New York City. He and several members of the Louisville sponsoring group were in contact with CLAY in New York City, at that time. The purpose of the contact was to discuss with CLAY whether he should next fight FLOYD PATTERSON, or GEORGE CHUVALO. During this contact, HERBERT MUHAMMAD, son of ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, was with CLAY. GRAFTON obtained the impression that HERBERT MUHAMMAD was with CLAY as a protector for CLAY in CLAY's dealings with white people. During the contact, GRAFTON expressed his belief that CLAY should next fight FLOYD PATTERSON. The discussion also involved the time the next fight should be held and it was mentioned that CLAY was already for the year 1965, in the highest tax bracket and another fight by CLAY during 1965 would profit him very little financially. CLAY expressed his feeling that maybe he ought to have another fight in 1965 for charity purposes and give the proceeds to "the mosque", who could then use the proceeds to build a building to do something for poor children. When CLAY advanced this thought, HERBERT MUHAMMAD pointed out that this would be impractical as the mosque's request for a certificate for tax exemptions had not yet been approved by the Internal Revenue Service's people. When GRAFTON was in contact with CLAY near the end of December, 1965, the Louisville sponsoring group at that time had collected half of the proceeds from the CLAY-PATTERSON fight. CLAY, in the company of his attorney, EDWARD JACKO, came to Louisville to discuss finances and obtain some of the proceeds from the CLAY-PATTERSON fight. CLAY visited with GRAFTON in GRAFTON's office. He was alone at the time, and GRAFTON advised him of the estimated taxes CLAY would owe on the money so far received from the PATTERSON fight and the amount of money that was currently available for CLAY.

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A short while later, CLAY returned to visit GRAFTON and JACKO was with CLAY. They again discussed the amount of money then available to CLAY, which was in the neighborhood of \$16,000. The following day, CLAY returned and in addition to the money then available for him, asked for an advance of \$24,000 from the sponsoring group. He said he wanted to make some charitable contributions, but not particularize in this respect. It was agreed to give CLAY the advance and he asked that of the approximate \$40,000 to be given him, that one check be in the amount of \$25,000 and be made payable to HERBERT MUHAMMAD, as MUHAMMAD was to use about \$10,000 or \$15,000 for contribution purposes. GRAFTON did as CLAY requested. This financial transaction was later approved by the Internal Revenue Service people in Louisville, Kentucky.

Early in January, 1966, GRAFTON recalls it was just prior to CASSIUS CLAY's divorce hearing in Miami, Florida, which was on January 4 or 5, 1966, he received a phone call from CLAY. CLAY told GRAFTON that some friends of his would be visiting him shortly to discuss matters concerning his next fight, and CLAY requested GRAFTON talk with them. On the evening of that same day, GRAFTON received a phone call from HERBERT MUHAMMAD in which he reiterated the information CLAY had furnished GRAFTON. It was on or about January 6, 1966, that several people including [redacted], a [redacted] in New York. JOHN ALI, the National Secretary of the Muslims, and [redacted], a New York television promoter who succeeded his father (the father having died in August, 1965) in operating the Lester Malitz, Inc., a promotion concern, contacted GRAFTON at Louisville. They told GRAFTON they were friends of CASSIUS CLAY and CLAY was very much interested in them. They said they were going to form Main Bout, Inc., and hope to handle all television promotion for CLAY's fights. They said that HERBERT MUHAMMAD and JOHN ALI would own fifty per cent of Main Bout, Inc., that CASSIUS CLAY would be given twenty per cent and the remainder would be owned by [redacted] and [redacted]. They also mentioned that [redacted] was going to do promotion work for Main Bout, Inc., and he had contact throughout America that he

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was going to utilize. GRAFTON said that [ ] was not a Muslim. It was obvious to GRAFTON that Main Bout, Inc. would be demanding a much higher per cent of the television and movie receipts from the CLAY's fights than the sponsoring group had obtained heretofore.

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GRAFTON was of the firm conviction that the proposed forming of Main Bout, Inc. would not be financially beneficial for either CLAY or the sponsoring group. During the conversation [ ] and his associates tried to present a most rosy picture with respect to their ability to increase the receipts from television and movie rights of CLAY's fights. [ ] used the figure of \$2,000,000 as the amount they hoped to receive from promoting each fight. GRAFTON observed that the most ever received from such sources in any particular fight was from the LISTON-PATTERSON fight sometime ago, when a little over \$2,000,000 was grossed and that subsequently, the United States Government looked into several aspects of that particular fight. At the time the government was inquiring into this fight, [ ] was [ ] in New York and probably would have been in a position to know the amount of money received in connection with the fight.

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GRAFTON indicated his opposition to the proposition advanced as to the forming of Main Bout, Inc. He pointed out to the group that in many states in the United States, there is a law against the boxer owning any interest in a group promoting his bouts and that the proposal to give CLAY twenty per cent interest would result in him being outlawed as a fighter in a number of states. The group thereupon immediately stated to the effect CLAY did not have to be given any interest in Main Bout, Inc.

He also pointed out to the group that he was displeased that they had apparently first approached CLAY on their idea, rather than the Louisville sponsoring group of CLAY. He particularly pointed out to [ ] that he felt [ ] acting as a promoter had been unethical in approaching a fighter himself, rather than the fighter's manager, that is, CLAY rather than the sponsoring group. [ ] replied he was not

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a promoter, but was an attorney and thereupon, GRAFTON pointed out that he still thought [ ] had been unethical in acting in the capacity of an attorney talking to GRAFTON's client (CLAY) without first talking to GRAFTON. The outcome of the conversation was that GRAFTON told [ ] and his associates that they should get together and make the best offer possible, together with the guarantees they could, to GRAFTON and he would then decide whether or not to recommend to CLAY that Main Bout, Inc. be given authority to handle the promotion of CLAY's fights. It was GRAFTON's understanding that the capitalization of Main Bout, Inc. was going to be \$10,000, and therefore any guarantees they might make would not be of much value.

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The following day, January 7, 1966, CLAY's divorce hearing was held in Miami, Florida, and he was granted a divorce. Early on January 8, 1966, GRAFTON received a lengthy telegram from CLAY which, in effect, said that as he was now free, he wanted GRAFTON to give serious consideration to the forming of Main Bout, Inc., as CLAY was thinking of making a substantial investment in it. This amazed GRAFTON, as only two days earlier the group representing Main Bout, Inc. indicated they were going to give CLAY twenty per cent interest in Main Bout, Inc. GRAFTON immediately began trying to reach CLAY by telephone to advise him not to invest in Main Bout, Inc., and point out to him that in many states, this was not allowed. However, he did not reach CLAY telephonically and on that day, CLAY held a press conference announcing the formation of Main Bout, Inc. While the announcement disturbed GRAFTON, it really did not basically amount to anything because the contract the sponsoring group has with CLAY provides that neither party can enter into any contract relating to the matter covered by the contract without the concurrence of the other party.

This was the state that things were in about mid-January, 1966, while CLAY was in New York City to receive an award at the Boxing Writers Dinner. During that time, GRAFTON was in New York and was in active negotiation with Madison Square Gardens with respect to the possible holding there of a CLAY-ERNIE TERRELL fight. Madison Square Gardens was definitely interested in such a fight if they could have the fight with

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no strings attached; that is, they would have the right to negotiate all financial aspects of the fight, including the television and ancillary rights. GRAFTON was interested in such a proposal if Madison Square Gardens would guarantee CLAY and the sponsoring group a certain amount from the fight. The Gardens made a definite commitment that they would guarantee CLAY and his group half a million dollars from such a fight if the Gardens could promote the fight with no strings attached. GRAFTON considered this an excellent offer and was pleased with it. He immediately went to see CLAY in CLAY's hotel room in New York City, and he talked with CLAY alone. CLAY, however, was not enthusiastic and was insistent that Main Bout, Inc., be granted the right of promoting the television and movie aspects of the fight. GRAFTON recalled that CLAY referred to the people in Main Bout as "my friends". He further said that HERBERT MUHAMMAD's father is ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, "who gives me strength--if I can help the Muslims, it gives me strength--it doesn't hurt if I don't make as much money as I would." CLAY said there were many outstanding Negro athletes, including himself, but none of them great successes in business. He pointed out he was convinced that Main Bout, Inc. was one way the Negroes could gain recognition in the business world, and said "I want to do it."

A short while later, GRAFTON was talking with CLAY again and [ ] was present. On that occasion, GRAFTON showed to CLAY a letter the sponsoring group had received from a movie firm in which the firm offered CLAY \$300,000 if CLAY would play the part of the former heavyweight champion, JACK JOHNSON, in a movie. About three weeks earlier, GRAFTON had told CLAY of the possibility of receiving such an offer but as of that time, nothing definite had been received. When GRAFTON showed CLAY the offer by the movie firm, CLAY immediately dismissed the offer, saying that JOHNSON had married a white woman and that JOHNSON's life and actions were against his religion. GRAFTON and [ ] then got into a conversation as to [ ] playing in movies and what type parts had rewarded him financially. However, CLAY dismissed this conversation by saying [ ] was not a Muslim and that he, CLAY, was.

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Later, the Madison Square Gardens' offer regarding the CLAY-TERRELL fight was discussed with members of the Main Bout, Inc. While they could not guarantee anything, they did convince CLAY that they had bright prospects for doing well financially. CLAY then said he would not fight TERRELL unless Main Bout, Inc. had the right to promote the movie and television aspects.

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GRAFTON recalled that during a visit of CLAY to Louisville, Kentucky, on January 23 or 24, 1966, GRAFTON commented that during this time, CLAY visited GRAFTON and [redacted] on two occasions and both times CLAY was alone. During these visits, CLAY seemed relaxed and was personable and said he liked his sponsoring group and was considering renewing his contract with the group when it expired. He did comment, during these visits, to the effect, "You fellows just don't understand my religion. Elijah Muhammad is my leader. He will never let me down. I don't contribute much money to them, but I am important to them and they will never let me down. When my fighting days are over, it is my ambition to become a minister for them."

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Interviews above with [redacted] and ARTHUR W. GRAFTON were conducted in connection with a previous investigation of CLAY under the Selective Service Act of 1948.

[On January 11, 1966, LS T-3] advised that a corporation named Main Bout, Inc. had recently been founded for the purpose of [redacted]

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[redacted] According to the source, this group plans to [redacted]

[redacted] Main Bout, Inc. will also serve as promoter of various other [redacted] and will deal directly with the sponsors of such events.

[On August 16, 1966, LS T-1] advised that Main Bout, Inc., had recently moved its headquarters from New York, New York, to 105 West Adams Street, Suite 804, Chicago, Illinois, telephone 263-1365.

On January 3, 1967, LS T-1 advised that HERBERT MUHAMMAD, in connection with his contractual arrangements with [redacted] is receiving [redacted]

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In an article dated February 8, 1967, by MILTON GROSS, appearing in the Chicago Daily News, a daily newspaper published in Chicago, Illinois, the writer indicates that the word from inside sources is that CLAY, who fights under the Black Muslim name of MUHAMMAD ALI, is broke, although his gross purse alone from Monday night's brutal decision over ERNIE TERRELL, before a record indoor crowd, came to \$700,000 from the live and ancillary rights. In his five previous title defenses, he is estimated to have made \$1,880,000 before taxes, but the word from the inside insists "he's not only broke, but in debt to the Muslims".

Within the last month alone, says the source in the article, he borrowed \$100,000 from the Muslims and gave it back to them as a contribution. The government has not yet decided that they are a charitable organization. He has paid \$90,000 in legal fees in the last month for the organization. He would like to stop fighting but he can't, they have him completely brainwashed.

At a press conference on Tuesday, the article continued, CLAY was asked a seemingly innocuous question that "If you were so inclined, could you afford to retire now?" He answered, "How do you know if I was broke. If I didn't have a quarter, you wouldn't know. You'll never see me broke. I don't smoke, I don't drink, I don't go with blondes, or brunettes with the nightclubs or lose \$1,000 in a golf game." The article continues that considering certain disagreements which have arisen between the Muslim and non-Muslim stockholders of Main Bout, Inc., there is some speculation whether the corporation is going to continue and if it does, on what basis.

Main Bout became a most successful venture by taking CLAY abroad when his image was at its lowest ebb for fights against GEORGE CHUVALO (Toronto, Canada), HENRY COOPER (London, England), BRYAN LONDON (London, England), CARL MILDENBERGER (Frankfurt, Germany), then that image seemed repaired and CLAY fought and ko'd CLEVELAND WILLIAMS in Houston, Texas, on November 14, 1966.

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According to the article, the public's conception of CLAY took a nosedive again on Monday night when CLAY called TERRELL an "Uncle Tom Negro", taunted and humiliated him all the time he was slashing his eyes to swollen slits which required stitching, and the ministrations of an optical specialist.

CASSIUS was cruel, almost beastial, in the ring after his victory. He preached a Muslim tirade to ABC's television microphone and network officials are extremely concerned about allowing what he said to go on the air when the show is shown on "Wide World of Sports". Saturday.

There are two classes of stock in Main Bout, Inc., the article continues. JOHN ALI, the National Secretary of the Muslims, holds 500 shares of Class A, 300 of which were turned over to him by HERBERT MUHAMMAD when he assumed CLAY's managership after CASSIUS' agreement with the Louisville sponsoring firm expired last year. [redacted] owns 300 shares of Class B stock; attorney [redacted] and ex-football star, [redacted] 100 shares each. The latter three are non-Muslims.

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On March 15, 1967, LS T-20 advised that on March 2, 1967, [redacted] also known as [redacted], said he was once again working with [redacted] and that [redacted] is going to back him in an entertainment business. [redacted] said he is going to enlist all of the top flight entertainers in the business and convert them to Muslims. He said he is attempting to open a coffee house and present top name acts there. *fu*

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During interview on June 11, 1966, with ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, at 4847 South Woodlawn Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, he advised that regarding CLAY's financial contributions to the NOI, that an NOI member does not have to financially support the NOI if his economic means dictate against such support. He commented regarding CLAY, however, that CLAY gives "whatever he's able to" and does contribute commensurate with his financial status.

During interview on June 7, 1966, with SONJI CLAY, at 6848 South Union, Chicago, Illinois, she advised that from

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her personal association with CLAY, she knows that the NOI controls his boxing career through Main Bout, Inc., of New York City, which is owned and operated by the NOI, and limits the income of CLAY to twenty per cent of his earnings and the remaining eighty per cent is for the NOI.

On May 31, 1966, LUCIUS BEY, Salaam Apartments, 1816 N.W. 46th Street, Miami, Florida, advised that charity is a necessary virtue to be followed by persons of the Islamic faith and that he feels sure CLAY practices charity through financial contributions to that organization. He said, however, that CLAY does not make any particular contributions to Mosque No. 29, but that he believed CLAY made his main contributions directly to the Muslim headquarters through Mosque No. 2 in Chicago, Illinois. He said there was no record kept of contributions made by CLAY in Miami. He did say CLAY contributes regularly to collections taken up at their meetings, but that he does not have any idea how much these contributions might be.

LUCIUS BEY, also known as Lucius Brown, Minister Lucius, Lucius X., advised during interview on May 31, 1966, that he was born on May 8, 1913, in Georgia; that he has been associated with the Muslims for the past 15 or 20 years, during which time he has served as a minister for that organization in Chicago, Illinois, and Washington, D. C. He stated he is currently assigned as minister of Muhammad Mosque No. 29 in Miami, Florida, and that he has held this position for approximately two years.

On June 27, 1966, LS T-4 advised that HERBERT MUHAMMAD and [redacted] are in New York as of that date, [redacted] for [redacted] to [redacted] in either [redacted] or [redacted] on [redacted] is scheduled to [redacted]

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[redacted] associates feel that if he waited until [redacted]  
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be [redacted] by that time but if he [redacted] he could  
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[redacted] and associates in the NOI want [redacted] to  
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The money is beginning to roll in  
from [redacted] and these associates, both NOI and  
other, want to get as much money as possible. *CU*

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On January 20, 1967, LS T-1 advised that [redacted]  
[redacted] is claiming in his income tax return for [redacted] that he  
donated [redacted] to Muhammad's Temple No. 2, 5335 South  
Greenwood Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, and/or the NOI, during  
[redacted] The U.S. Treasury Department is claiming Muhammad's  
Temple No. 2 owes the government some \$300,000 in past taxes,  
basing this claim on the fact Muhammad's Temple No. 2 does  
not have a tax exemption certificate. Officials of the NOI  
have expressed concern over the deduction [redacted]  
[redacted] saying he will compound their troubles with the  
government. *CU*

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It may be noted the above interviews with ELIJAH  
MUHAMMAD, SONJI CLAY, and LUCIUS BEY were conducted during  
the investigation of CLAY under the Selective Service Act  
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V. INDICTMENT OF CASSIUS CLAY ON MAY 8, 1967, BY  
FEDERAL GRAND JURY, HOUSTON, TEXAS

[On March 3, 1966, LS T-33] advised that CLAY was re-classified by Local Draft Board 47, Louisville, Kentucky, on February 17, 1966, from 1-Y to 1-A. On the same date, his attorney, EDWARD W. JACKO, JR., presented a letter, from CLAY to the local draft board in Louisville, dated February 14, 1966, in which CLAY requested deferment from military service on several grounds, including a claim that he was conscientiously opposed to participation in any military service in which the lives of human beings are taken.

The source further advised that on February 28, 1966, CLAY's attorney appeared before Local Draft Board 47, Louisville, Kentucky, and filed with the board Standard Form 150 (Special Form for Conscientious Objector), signed by CLAY on February 28, 1966, as "Muhammad Ali, Slave Name, Cassius M. Clay, Jr.", on which CLAY claimed to be conscientiously opposed to both combatant and non-combatant training and service. CLAY's attorney also requested CLAY be granted a personal appearance before the local draft board.

The source advised on March 17, 1966, that CLAY appeared before Local Draft Board 47, Louisville, Kentucky, at which time the board continued CLAY in the 1-A classification.

[On March 30, 1966, LS T-33] advised that on March 29, 1966, Local Draft Board 47, Louisville, Kentucky, received an appeal by CLAY of his 1-A classification.

On May 6, 1966, the source advised that the Western Kentucky Selective Service Appeal Board met on that date and made a tentative ruling that CLAY is not entitled to a classification of 1-0 (Conscientious Objector) or lower.

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An article appearing in the August 24, 1966, issue of the Courier-Journal newspaper, a daily Louisville, Kentucky, newspaper, revealed that CLAY was afforded a hearing in Louisville, Kentucky, before the Selective Service hearing officer.

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[On August 24, 1966, LS T-33] advised that CLAY and his attorney, [redacted] both appeared at Local Draft Board 47, Louisville, Kentucky, on August 23, 1966, and filed documents requesting CLAY be deferred and given a 4-D classification as a minister of the Islam religion.

On January 10, 1967, the source advised that the Western Kentucky Selective Service Appeal Board unanimously denied CLAY deferment as a conscientious objector.

The January 20, 1967, issue of the Courier-Journal contained an article indicating that Local Draft Board 47, Louisville, Kentucky, on January 19, 1967, considered CLAY's request for a 4-D classification and continued him in 1-A, which decision he promptly appealed and requested the appeal be considered by the Selective Service Appeal Board covering Houston, Texas, CLAY's then claimed place of employment.

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[On February 21, 1967, LS T-33] advised that the Selective Service Appeal Board, Houston, Texas, unanimously denied CLAY's request for a 4-D classification on February 20, 1967.

An article appearing in the February 21, 1967, issue of the Courier-Journal revealed that CLAY's attorney, HAYDEN COVINGTON, said the next step would be a request to the National Selective Service Director for an appeal to the National Appeal Board in Washington, D. C.

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[On March 16, 1967, LS T-33] advised that on or about March 13, 1967, the Presidential Appeal Board, Washington, D. C., rejected CLAY's request for a 4-D classification. The source advised that Local Draft Board 47, Louisville, Kentucky, sent a notice to CLAY to report for induction on April 11, 1967.

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On March 28, 1967, the source advised that on March 24, 1967, CLAY requested his induction processing be through Local Draft Board 61, Houston, Texas, rather than Local Draft Board 47, Louisville, Kentucky.

An article appearing in the March 30, 1967, issue of the Courier-Journal revealed that Local Draft Board 61, Houston, Texas, ordered CLAY to report for induction at Houston, Texas, on April 28, 1967.

The April 28, 1967, issue of the Louisville Times, a daily evening Louisville, Kentucky, newspaper, contained an article indicating that CLAY appeared at the Induction Center in the Customs Building, Houston, Texas, but refused to step forward for induction when his name was called.

On May 8, 1967, the records of the United States District Court Clerk's Office, Houston, Texas, revealed that CLAY was indicted by Federal Grand Jury, Houston, Texas, on May 8, 1967, charging violation of Title 50, App. 50, U. S. Code, Section 462, in that "on or about the 28th day of April, 1967, in the Houston Division of the Southern District of Texas, at Houston, Texas, Cassius Marsellus Clay, Jr., also known as Muhammad Ali, the defendant, unlawfully, wilfully and knowingly did fail and neglect to perform a duty required of him under and in the execution of the Universal Military Training and Service Act and the rules, regulations and directions duly made pursuant thereto, in that the defendant did fail and neglect to comply with an order of Selective Service Local Board No. 47, Louisville, Kentucky, and Selective Service Transfer Board No. 61, Houston, Texas, to report for and submit to induction into the Armed Forces of the United States."

CLAY, in the presence of attorneys, was arraigned at 1:30 P.M., May 8, 1967, in United States District Court, Houston, Texas, where he waived reading of the indictment and entered a plea of not guilty. He was released on bond under the following conditions:

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1. He was placed in the custody of his Houston, Texas, attorney, QUINNAN H. HODGES, who agreed to use every reasonable effort to assure CLAY, on 48-hours' notice, would appear at all scheduled hearings before the court, which attorney further agreed to immediately notify the court in the event CLAY violates any conditions of his release.
2. CLAY will provide attorney HODGES his current mailing address and if there is any change in such, CLAY will immediately notify HODGES.
3. Pursuant to the Bail Reform Act of 1966, CLAY will execute a bond binding himself to pay the United States of America the sum of \$5,000.00, and will deposit with the court, at Houston, the sum of \$500.00 in cash, being 10% of the amount of bond; the deposit to be returned to CLAY upon the court's determination CLAY has performed the conditions of his release.
4. CLAY will not leave the continental United States of America without prior approval of the court.

On May 11, 1967, the records of the United States Attorney's office, Houston, Texas, revealed that CLAY's trial in Federal Court, at Houston, Texas, had been set for June 5, 1967.

On May 18, 1967, the records of the United States Attorney's office, Houston, Texas, revealed that, at the request of CLAY's attorney, the United States District Court Judge, JOSEPH INGRAHAM, Houston, Texas, had continued CLAY's trial date to June 1967.

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NATION OF ISLAM, Formerly referred to as the Muslim Cult of Islam, also known as Muhammad's Temples of Islam

In January, 1957, a source advised that Elijah Muhammad has described his organization on a nationwide basis as the "Nation of Islam" and "Muhammad's Temples of Islam".

On April 29, 1966, a second source advised that, Elijah Muhammad is the national leader of the Nation of Islam (NOI); Muhammad's Temple of Islam No. 2, 5335 South Greenwood Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, is the national headquarters of the NOI; and in mid-1960 Muhammad and other NOI officials, when referring to Muhammad's organization on a nationwide basis, commenced using either "Mosque" or "Temple" when mentioning one of "Muhammad's Temples of Islam".

The NOI is an all-Negro organization which was originally organized in 1930 in Detroit, Michigan. Muhammad claims to have been selected by Allah, the Supreme Being, to lead the so-called Negro race out of slavery in the wilderness of North America by establishing an independent black nation in the United States. Members following Muhammad's teachings and his interpretation of the "Koran" believe there is no such thing as a Negro; that the so-called Negroes are slaves of the white race, referred to as "white devils", in the United States; and that the white race, because of its exploitation of the so-called Negroes, must and will be destroyed in the approaching "War of Armageddon".

In the past, officials and members of the NOI, including Muhammad, have refused to register under the provisions of the Selective Service Acts and have declared that members owe no allegiance to the United States.

On May 5, 1958, the first source advised that Muhammad had, upon advice of legal counsel, tempered his personal

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statements and instructions to his ministers concerning the principles of his organization in order to avoid possible prosecution by the United States Government; however, he did not indicate any fundamental changes in the teachings of his organization.

On May 2, 1966, a third source advised that Muhammad had, early in July, 1958, decided to de-emphasize the religious aspects of the teachings of Islam and to stress the economic benefits to be derived by those Negroes who joined the NOI. This policy change, according to Muhammad, would help him acquire additional followers and create more interest in his programs.

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FRUIT OF ISLAM

On April 29, 1966, a source advised that the Fruit of Islam (FOI) is a group within the Nation of Islam (NOI) composed of male members of the NOI. The purpose of the FOI is to protect officials and property of the NOI, assure compliance of members with NOI teachings, and to prepare for the "War of Armageddon". Members of the FOI are required to participate in military drill and are afforded the opportunity to engage in judo training. The FOI is governed by a military system wherein the members are controlled by general orders similar to those issued by regular military organizations.

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MUSLIM GIRLS TRAINING

On May 19, 1960, a source advised that the Muslim Girls Training (MGT) is a group within the Nation of Islam (NOI) and is composed of all female members of the NOI. The MGT is similar in structure to the Fruit of Islam (FOI), which is composed of male members of the NOI, in that the MGT has officers similar to military organizations to whom other female members are accountable. MGT members receive instructions in homemaking, hygiene, calisthenics, and other subjects such as Muslim history and the English language. There also exists a Junior MGT, which is composed of female members of the NOI who are between the ages of 15 and 19 and who are afforded military-type drill.

Since 1957, various officers and "sisters" of the MGT have, at meetings of the MGT, used the term MGT so that it also means General Civilization Class. General Civilization Class refers to classes conducted within the MGT.

The above refers to activities of the MGT at Muhammad's Temple of Islam No. 2, 5335 South Greenwood, Chicago, Illinois.

On May 2, 1966, another source advised that, in theory, the MGT exists in all Temples of the NOI and is patterned after the MGT at Muhammad's Temple of Islam No. 2, Chicago.

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MUHAMMAD'S MOSQUE NO. 1  
DETROIT, MICHIGAN

On May 14, 1966, a source advised that the Nation of Islam (NOI) is an all-Negro organization, originally organized in 1930 in Detroit, Michigan.

Source advised on May 14, 1966, that Muhammad's Mosque No. 1, also known as Muhammad's Temple of Islam No. 1., has been in existence in Detroit, Michigan, since the formation of the NOI and since September, 1960, has been conducting meetings at 11529 Linwood, Detroit, Michigan.

This source advised that Muhammad's Mosque No. 1 is affiliated with the national organization of the NOI under the leadership of Elijah Muhammad and adheres to the beliefs and policies of the national organization.

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MUHAMMAD'S MOSQUE NO. 4 OF THE  
NATION OF ISLAM, FORMERLY KNOWN AS  
MUHAMMAD'S TEMPLE OF ISLAM NO. 4

Harry Marvin Craighead, former Minister of Muhammad's Mosque No. 4 (MM-4), formerly known as Muhammad's Temple of Islam No. 4 (MTI-4) of the Nation of Islam (NOI), advised that Elijah Muhammad personally founded this temple at Washington, D. C., during 1939, and served as its Minister until 1942.

On January 20, 1958, Lucius X. Brown, self-identified as the Minister of MTI-4 of the NOI, advised that MTI-4 was under the leadership of Elijah Muhammad, the national leader of the NOI, and existed solely to serve his will and teachings. Brown stated that MTI-4 supported Elijah Muhammad both spiritually and financially.

On May 11, 1966, a source advised that MM-4 of the NOI continued to be in existence at 1519 Fourth Street, N.W., Washington, D. C.

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MUHAMMAD'S HOLY TEMPLE OF ISLAM NO. 6,  
ALSO KNOWN AS MUHAMMAD'S TEMPLE OF  
ISLAM NO. 6, MUHAMMAD'S MOSQUE NO. 6

On May 1, 1959, a source advised that Muhammad's Holy Temple of Islam No. 6 had existed in Baltimore, Maryland, since approximately 1948 as a local branch of the Nation of Islam (NOI), which has headquarters at Chicago, Illinois. This source stated the leaders of Muhammad's Temple of Islam No. 6 followed the teachings and directives of Elijah Muhammad, the national head of the NOI.

On May 19, 1966, another source advised that Muhammad's Holy Temple of Islam No. 6 continues to exist at Baltimore, Maryland, and to follow the teachings and directives of Elijah Muhammad.

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NATION OF ISLAM, MOSQUE NO. 7

On May 2, 1966, a source advised that the Nation of Islam (NOI) affiliate in New York City is known as Mosque No. 7 or Muhammad's Mosque No. 7, and is also referred to as Temple No. 7. It is part of the national organization of the NOI headed by Elijah Muhammad with headquarters in Chicago, Illinois.

There are three meeting places for Mosque No. 7; one at 105-03 Northern Boulevard, Queens (known as Mosque No. 7-B), another at 120 Madison Street, Brooklyn (known as Mosque No. 7-C), and one at 878 Prospect Avenue, Bronx (known as Mosque No. 7-D).

The date Mosque No. 7 originated in New York City is not known.

However, in connection with the origin in 1953, a second source advised that there was a Temple of the NOI (known to source then as the Muslim Cult of Islam) in New York City located at 135th Street and Seventh Avenue as far back as 1947.

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MUHAMMAD'S MOSQUE NO. 12

Two sources advised on July 27, 1965, that the organization of which Elijah Muhammad is the national leader and founder, is known in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, as Muhammad's Mosque No. 12 (MM-12), and is affiliated with and follows the aims and purposes of the national group. These sources advised MM-12 is located at 5232 Haverford Avenue, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

A third source on June 13, 1966, advised the organization has been meeting in Philadelphia since 1954.

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MUHAMMAD'S MOSQUE NO. 15, FORMERLY  
KNOWN AS MUHAMMAD'S TEMPLE OF ISLAM  
NO. 15, ATLANTA, GEORGIA

A source advised on January 9, 1956, that approximately six months previously, a group of individuals in Atlanta, Georgia, organized as an affiliate of the Nation of Islam (NOI), formerly known as the Muslim Cult of Islam, under the leadership of Elijah Muhammad.

A second source advised during January, 1961, that Muhammad's Temple of Islam No. 15, NOI, had changed its name to Muhammad's Mosque No. 15.

On August 1, 1966, the same source advised that Muhammad's Mosque No. 15 is currently active and had, as of January 31, 1965, commenced holding meetings at 1225 Bankhead Highway, N.W., Atlanta, Georgia. Muhammad's Mosque No. 15 is an affiliate of the NOI and its teachings are based upon the principles expounded by Elijah Muhammad, the national leader of the NOI.

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MUHAMMAD'S TEMPLE OF ISLAM NO. 18 (MTI-18)  
(Cleveland, Ohio, Branch of Nation of Islam)

A source advised on October 10, 1957, that Muhammad's Temple of Islam No. 18, in Cleveland, Ohio, was founded in the Summer of 1955, as a branch of the national organization known as the Nation of Islam (NOI), headed by Elijah Muhammad, with headquarters in Chicago, Illinois.

A second source advised on June 7, 1966, that Muhammad's Temple of Islam No. 18 maintains a headquarters at 12416 Superior Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio, and meets several times a week. It continues to be a branch of the NOI, and has approximately 275 adult active members.

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NATION OF ISLAM  
MUHAMMAD'S MOSQUE NO. 29  
MIAMI, FLORIDA

Two sources in Miami have advised that Mosque No. 29 of the Nation of Islam (NOI) was established in Miami in October, 1958.

These sources advised on May 27, 1966, that the Mosque does not have a regular meeting place and meets at homes of various members. The Miami group is an affiliate of the national NOI and has about 100 members.

According to these sources, this group adheres to the teachings of Elijah Muhammad.

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HOUSTON, TEXAS, AFFILIATE

Sources advised the Houston Nation of Islam (NOI) group began holding meetings at Houston in approximately September, 1960. In June, 1966, sources informed that regular meetings of the NOI were then being held at a rented building at 3400 Polk Street. Raymond 5X Watlington is serving as Minister of this group, having come to Houston from Chicago, Illinois, in May, 1963. Watlington was reported to be operating this group strictly in accordance with the regulations and teachings of Elijah Muhammad. These sources stated open meetings were held on Sunday afternoons and on Wednesday evenings and Friday evenings, attended by both members and visitors, while meetings held on Monday evenings and Thursday evenings were normally restricted to members. Regular collections were used to support the local group and to help finance the national headquarters at Chicago.

As of June, 1966, a source reported the Houston group had not attained the status of a number NOI Temple.

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SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS

On June 29, 1965, a source who has furnished reliable information in the past advised that on June 28, 1965, DANE WARD, Acting Minister of the Nation of Islam (NOI) group in San Antonio, Texas, advised that this group is affiliated with, contributes to, and receives instructions from, the NOI organizational headquarters in Chicago, Illinois.

Source further advised that on June 28, 1965, RICHARD A. McDONALD, Minister of the NOI in San Antonio, presently inactive, advised that he was trained to be a Minister of the NOI at their university in Chicago, Illinois, and was sent to San Antonio, Texas, to establish a branch of the NOI, which he did. This group is presently headed by the Acting Minister, DANE WARD, and they send funds to the NOI headquarters in Chicago and receive instructions from them. Under instructions from Chicago, the organization in San Antonio now officially refers to itself as Muhammad's Temple of Islam (MTI) in San Antonio.

On September 22, 1965, another source advised that BEN E. RUCKER was acting as Captain of the MTI in San Antonio for the purpose of calling a meeting, and his wife, MABRIS RUCKER, is acting as head of the Muslim Girls Training (MGT). RAYMOND 5X WELLINGTON visits the MTI in San Antonio periodically in order to conduct meetings since there is no minister officially designated in San Antonio.

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MUHAMMAD'S MOSQUE (MM)  
Also Known As  
Muhammad's Temple of Islam (MTI)  
Trenton, New Jersey

On February 10, 1960, Milton Hudson, 209 Fall Street, Trenton, New Jersey, advised that MTI began to hold weekly meetings at this address on July 9, 1959.

On April 5, 1966, a source advised that MM, Trenton, formerly known as MTI, Trenton, was then located at 191 Humbolt Street, Trenton, in a building which is owned by MM, Trenton. This source advised that MM, Trenton, had not yet been assigned a number. This source advised that MM, Trenton, is affiliated with the Nation of Islam (NOI), and is under the leadership and control of Elijah Muhammad, national leader of the NOI.

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MUHAMMAD'S TEMPLE OF ISLAM NO. 37  
(Akron, Ohio, Branch of the Nation of Islam)

On February 4, 1960, a source advised that Muhammad's Temple of Islam, Akron, Ohio, was dedicated on January 31, 1960, and is a branch of the national organization known as the Nation of Islam (NOI), headed by Elijah Muhammad, with headquarters in Chicago, Illinois.

On June 1, 1966, a second source advised that this temple in Akron is referred to as Muhammad's Temple of Islam No. 37, and also as Muhammad's Mosque No. 37. It has been and continues to be active at 359 West Bartges Street, Akron, Ohio, and has approximately 75 adult active members. It is a branch of the NOI.

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ORGANIZATION OF AFRO-AMERICAN  
UNITY, INCORPORATED (OAAU)

On June 28, 1964, Malcolm X. Little, founder and leader of the Muslim Mosque, Incorporated (MMI), publicly announced the formation of a new, all Negro, militant civil rights action group to be known as the Organization of Afro-American Unity (OAAU), with himself as Chairman. This announcement was made at a public rally held by the MMI in the Audubon Ballroom, Broadway and 166th Street, New York City.

A printed and published statement of basic OAAU aims read by Malcolm X. at this meeting indicates that it shall include "all" people of African descent in the Western Hemisphere, as well as "our" brothers and sisters on the African continent. It is patterned after the "letter and spirit" of the Organization of African Unity established (by African heads of States) at Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, in May, 1963.

A recording of the remarks of Malcolm X. at this meeting indicates that the aim of the OAAU is to eliminate differences between Negroes so they can work together for "human rights", while the initial objective is to "internationalize" the American civil rights movement by taking it to the United Nations. Little condemned the non-violent civil rights movement and claims that Negroes should be taught to protect themselves, when and if necessary. The OAAU will sponsor a program for Negroes of education, politics, culture, economics and social reform.

On May 17, 1965, a confidential source advised that the headquarters of the OAAU are located in MMI headquarters, Suite 128, Hotel Theresa, 2090 Seventh Avenue, New York City.

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UNITY, INCORPORATED (OAAU)

Malcolm X. was assassinated on February 21, 1965, while addressing an OAAU rally at the Audubon Ballroom, New York City.

On April 13, 1965, a second confidential source advised that on March 26, 1965, the OAAU filed a Certificate of Incorporation with the Department of State, State of New York, Albany, New York, and henceforth the organization's true name will be Organization of Afro-American Unity, Incorporated.

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MUSLIM MOSQUE, INCORPORATED (MMI)

The March 13, 1964, edition of "The New York Times", a daily newspaper published in New York, New York, contained an article on page 20 which indicated that Malcolm X. (Little), former national official of the Nation of Islam (NOI), who broke with the NOI on March 8, 1964, publicly announced in New York City on March 12, 1964, that he had formed the Muslim Mosque, Incorporated (MMI). The MMI, according to the article, would be a broadly based politically oriented black nationalist movement for Negroes only, financed by voluntary contributions. In this public statement, Malcolm X. urged Negroes to abandon the doctrine of non-violence when it is necessary to defend themselves in the civil rights struggle, and he also suggested that Negroes form rifle clubs to protect their lives and property in time of emergencies in areas where the government is unable or unwilling to protect them.

Incorporation papers of the MMI filed on March 16, 1964, with the Business Section, Clerk of Courts, New York County, New York, New York, reflect that the MMI was incorporated under the Religious Corporation Law of the State of New York to work for the imparting of the Islamic Faith and Islamic Religion in accordance with "accepted Islamic principals." The principal place of worship to be located in the Borough of Manhattan, New York, New York.

The May 23, 1964, edition of the "New York Amsterdam News", a weekly Negro newspaper published in New York City, contained an article by columnist James Booker in which he indicated that he had heard that the visit by Malcolm X. with Muslim leaders during his African tour has changed him to become more religious.

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MUSLIM MOSQUE, INCORPORATED (MMI)

On October 6, 1964, a confidential source advised that the MMI is apparently affiliated with the true orthodox Islamic Religion through its affiliation with the Islamic Foundation (of New York), 1 Riverside Drive, New York City. The only teachings of the MMI are on the Islamic Religion.

This confidential source advised on May 17, 1965, that the headquarters of the MMI are located in Suite 128, Hotel Theresa, 2090 Seventh Avenue, New York, New York, where they were established on March 16, 1964. These headquarters are shared with the Organization of Afro-American Unity (OAAU) which was also headed by Malcolm X.

Malcolm X. was assassinated on February 21, 1965, while addressing an OAAU rally at the Audubon Ballroom, Broadway and 166th Street, New York City.

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Louisville, Kentucky

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Character SECURITY MATTER - NATION OF ISLAM

Reference Report of SA [redacted]  
dated June 14, 1967, at  
Louisville, Kentucky.

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

LS T-16 and LS T-25 have not furnished sufficient information on which to base an estimate of reliability.

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TOP RANK INCORPORATED; POSSIBLE BRIBERY OF LEON SPINKS - MUHAMMAD  
ALI FIGHT, SPORTS BRIBERY, OO: NO.

FOR INFORMATION OF FBIHQ, ON SEPT. 5, 1978, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], HILTON HEAD ISLAND, S.C., REPORTED THAT DURING  
CONVERSATION WITH [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] MADE STATEMENT TO THE EFFECT THAT HE THINKS SPINKS MAY  
HAVE BEEN OFFERED SOMETHING NOT TO WIN THE NEXT FIGHT. SPINKS  
AND HIS ASSOCIATES SPENT SEVERAL WEEKS AT HILTON HEAD ISLAND, S.C.,  
AROUND JUNE 1978, DURING WHICH TIME [REDACTED] BECAME ACQUAINTED WITH

[REDACTED] BECAME FAIRLY GOOD FRIENDS WITH [REDACTED] AND HAD  
OCCASION TO SOCIALIZE WITH HIM SEVERAL TIMES.

ON SEPT. 5, 1978, [REDACTED] TELEPHONICALLY CONTACTED [REDACTED] AT  
ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI, AT WHICH TIME [REDACTED] REITERATED THAT TOP

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RANK INCORPORATED IS TRYING TO INFLUENCE SPINKS TO LOSE THE UPCOMMING HEAVYWEIGHT CHAMPIONSHIP FIGHT. [ ] AGREED TO SPEAK TO THE FBI AT NEW ORLEANS WHERE HE WILL ARRIVE ON THE EVENING OF SEPT. 5, 1978. [ ] IS SCHEDULED TO ARRIVE AT NEW ORLEANS AT APPROXIMATELY 7:30 P.M., AND WILL BE STAYING AT THE DOWNTOWN HILTON.

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NEW ORLEANS HAS BEEN ADVISED SEPERATELY TO DISCREETLY CONTACT [ ] TO ASCERTAIN FULL DETAILS CONCERNING HIS ALLEGATIONS THAT TOP RANK INCORPORATED IS ATTEMPTING TO INFLUENCE OUTCOME OF CHAMPIONSHIP FIGHT.

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TOP RANK, INC.; POSSIBLE BRIBERY OF LEON SPINKS - MUHAMMAD ALI  
FIGHT; SPORTS BRIBERY; OO: NEW ORLEANS.

RE COLUMBIA TEL, SEPT. 5, 1978, AND NEW ORLEANS TELCALL TO  
BUREAU, SEPT. 6, 1978.

ON SEPT. 6, 1978, [REDACTED] AKA., [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] FOR LAST TEN YEARS, WAS INTERVIEWED

AT NEW ORLEANS AND FURNISHED FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

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## CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION

9/11/78  
Obtained via FOIA by Judicial Watch, Inc.

[redacted] advised he overheard in a conversation between [redacted] Top Rank, Inc., [redacted] and [redacted] that they planned to induce Muhammad Ali to throw the 2/15/78 fight with Spinks as well as a possibility of inducing Spinks to throw a subsequent rematch with Ali. [redacted] further stated that Spinks is supposedly scheduled to throw the fight on 9/15/78. [redacted] refused to take a polygraph examination until after the fight and he observes whether or not, in his opinion, Spinks throws the fight.

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1 - Mr. Moore

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[REDACTED] TOP RANK, INC., 450 PARK AVE.,  
NEW YORK CITY, HAS BEEN ATTEMPTING TO HAVE [REDACTED] REMOVED  
AS [REDACTED] FOR APPROXIMATELY ONE YEAR.

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ON NOV. 18, 1977, AT LAS VEGAS, NEV., IN LOBBY OF  
HILTON HOTEL, [REDACTED] CLAIMS TO HAVE OVERHEARD A CONVERSATION  
BETWEEN [REDACTED] TOP RANK, INC., AND [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]  
CONVERSATION CENTERED AROUND PLANS BY THEM TO INDUCE  
MUHAMMAD ALI TO THROW FEB. 15, 1978 FIGHT WITH SPINKS, AS  
WELL AS FURTHER POSSIBILITY OF INDUCING SPINKS TO THROW  
SUBSEQUENT REMATCH WITH ALI.

TEN DAYS LATER AT ST. LOUIS, MO., [REDACTED] WROTE HIS RE-  
COLLECTION OF THIS CONVERSATION ON TWO SHEETS OF PAPER, AND  
HAD IT WITNESSED BY FOUR EMPLOYEES OF TEAMSTER UNION LOCAL  
NO. 600 OFFICE AND SEALED PAGES IN AN ENVELOPE. WITNESSES  
WERE [REDACTED] (LNU) [REDACTED] (LNU).  
ENVELOPE WAS THEN ALLEGEDLY GIVEN TO [REDACTED] WHO REPORTEDLY

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PLACED IT IN AN UNKNOWN BANK VAULT AT ST. LOUIS.

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[ ] CLAIMS THAT ALL OF INFORMATION DISCUSSED IN CONVERSATION AT LAS VEGAS HAS COME TO PASS EXCEPT LOSS OF FIGHT BY SPINKS ON SEPT. 15, 1978, AT NEW ORLEANS.

[ ] STATED IF SPINKS DOES IN FACT LOSE FIGHT, HE IS WILLING TO CONFRONT [ ] AND SPINKS AND/OR OTHERS CONCERNING ALLEGED CONVERSATION AT LAS VEGAS. [ ] IS WILLING TO WEAR A BODY RECORDER AND/OR TRANSMITTER DURING THESE CONFRONTATIONS.

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[ ] STATED HIS WILLINGNESS TO TAKE POLYGRAPH EXAMINATION ON SEPT. 8, 1978. HOWEVER, ON SEPT. 8, 1978, [ ] ADVISED ON THE ADVICE OF [ ]

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[ ] OF ST. LOUIS, MO., HE WOULD NOT SUBMIT TO A POLYGRAPH EXAMINATION UNTIL AFTER THE FIGHT. HE ADDED HE WOULD ONLY DO IT THEN IF SPINKS LOSES AND IF HE BELIEVES SPINKS THREW THE FIGHT.

COPIES BEING FURNISHED COLUMBIA, ST. LOUIS AND NEW YORK IN VIEW OF POSSIBLE INVESTIGATION IN THOSE DIVISIONS AT A LATER DATE.

NEW ORLEANS WILL NOT CONDUCT ANY INVESTIGATION IN THIS MATTER UNTIL AFTER SEPT. 15, 1978.

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FIGHT; SPORTS BRIBERY; OO: NEW ORLEANS.

RE NEW ORLEANS TEL TO BUREAU, SEPT. 8, 1978

FOR INFORMATION OF FBIHQ AND RECEIVING OFFICES,

[REDACTED] WHO IS COMPLAINANT IN CAPTIONED MATTER, HAS NOT YET  
CONTACTED THE NEW ORLEANS FBI OFFICE. EFFORTS TO CONTACT HIM  
TELEPHONICALLY AT ST. LOUIS ON SEPT. 18 AND 19, 1978, HAVE BEEN  
NEGATIVE.

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ADDITIONAL DEVELOPMENTS WILL BE FURNISHED TO FBIHQ AND  
OTHER OFFICES.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Seattle, Washington

May 15, 1974

In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

RE: MUHAMMAD ALI;

WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP BOXING MATCH;  
ZAIA, AFRICA  
SEPTEMBER 24, 1974

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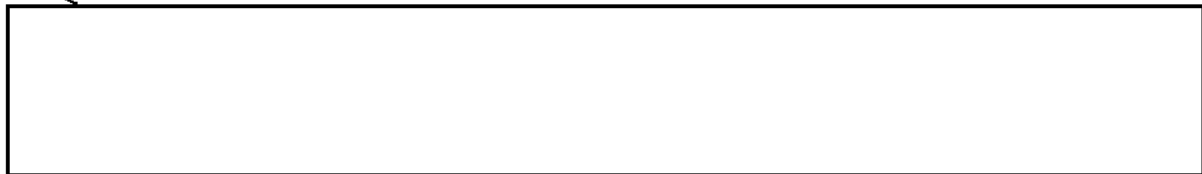
The following was reported on May 9 and 10, 1974,  
by a source who has furnished reliable information in the  
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RE: MUHAMMAD ALI; [REDACTED]  
WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP BOXING MATCH;  
ZAIA, AFRICA, SEPTEMBER 24, 1974

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Rumors are going around on the street that there is a possibility of terroristic activity against the fighters in Zaia with even a ransom attempt as one plan of action. Further details are not currently available, but the source will furnish any additional information coming to his attention.

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# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 5/15/74

FROM : SAC, SEATTLE (163-New) (RHC)

SUBJECT: MUHAMMAD ALI:

WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP BOXING MATCH;

ZAIA, AFRICA

SEPTEMBER 24, 1974

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Enclosed for the Bureau are ten (10) copies and for Cleveland and New York two copies each of an LHM concerning captioned matter.

The source is [redacted]. He received the information from [redacted] whom he declined to identify, who formerly [redacted] that had [redacted] Source said he cannot vouch for the information, but believes the information is specific enough to permit verification, at least in part, through other sources.

The Bureau may want to make available copies of the LHM to the Legats covering Zaia, Africa, and Switzerland; State Department; [redacted] and other agencies.

- no Legat coverage TO SEATTLE  
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- ② - Bureau (Encl. 10)
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# Memorandum

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FROM : Legat, Bern (92-62) (P)

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SUBJECT: MUHAMMAD ALI;  
GEORGE FOREMAN;  
WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP BOXING MATCH  
ZAIRE, AFRICA  
9/24/74  
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Re: BERlet 6/19/74 & Cleveland LHM 6/14/74.

Enclosed are 7 copies of:

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☐ Interpol, Vienna, Austria (IPV)

☐ Eidg. Polizeiabteilung  
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☐ Schweiz. Zentralpolizeibureau  
(Swiss Central Police Bureau (SCPB))

☐ Consular Section, American Embassy,  
Bern, Switzerland (Consec Bern)

☐ Staatspolizeilicher Dienst  
(Austrian State Police Service (ASPS))

☐ Consular Section, American Embassy,  
Vienna, Austria (Consec Vienna)

☐ Schweiz. Bundespolizei  
(Swiss Federal Police (SFP))

☒ Other: Swiss French-language newspaper, "Tribune de Lausanne"  
issue of 6/1/74

Enclosure is classified ☐ By source ☐ See remarks

Bureau is requested to check:

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
Washington, D. C.

In Reply, Please Refer to  
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July 8, 1974

MUHAMMAD ALI;  
GEORGE FORMAN;  
WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP BOXING MATCH;  
ZAIRE, AFRICA  
SEPTEMBER 24, 1974

The June 1, 1974 issue of the Swiss French-language newspaper "Tribune de Lausanne" contained an article which when translated read as follows:

"Boxing  
"Dispute  
"About the Retransmission  
"of the Clay-Foreman Fight

"A dispute has arisen between the American company 'Hemdale Leisure Corporation' and the British company 'Stockpeed, Ltd.' concerning the televised retransmission and the film rights to the fight which will match the world heavyweight champion George Foreman and his challenger Cassius Clay on September 25 at Kinshasa. The American company has announced that it had sold the rights of retransmission for Europe and the United Kingdom for a sum of 1,200,000 pounds. The British company had immediately asked the suspension of this right on the territory of the United Kingdom. 'Hemdale Leisure Corporation' has appealed this last decision to the high court of justice in London."

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# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM : SAC, CLEVELAND (163-393) (RUC)

SUBJECT: MUHAMMAD ALI;  
[REDACTED]

DATE: 6/14/74

WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP BOXING MATCH  
ZAIJA, AFRICA  
9/24/74  
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Re Seattle letter to Bureau, 5/15/74.

Enclosed for the Bureau are ten (10) copies  
and for Seattle two copies each of an LHM concerning  
captioned matter.

The source is [REDACTED]

If additional information through informant  
contact is obtained, Cleveland will advise the Bureau  
and Seattle Division.

- 10 ENCLOSURE
- 2 - Bureau (Enc. 10) (RM)
  - 2 - Seattle (Enc. 2) (163-0) (RM)
  - 2 - Cleveland
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1cc LHM to [REDACTED]  
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Cleveland, Ohio

June 14, 1974

In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

MUHAMMAD ALI:

WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP BOXING MATCH  
ZAIA, AFRICA  
SEPTEMBER 24, 1974

The following was reported on May 31, 1974,  
by a source who has furnished reliable information in the  
past.

Source advised that

[Redacted]  
[Redacted]  
[Redacted] Source  
advises [Redacted]  
[Redacted]

According to the source,

[Redacted]

Source added that during the end of

[Redacted]

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Sources whose identities are  
concealed herein have furnished  
reliable information in the  
past except where otherwise noted.

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RE: MUHAMMAD ALI;

[REDACTED]  
WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP BOXING MATCH  
ZAIA, AFRICA  
SEPTEMBER 24, 1974

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Source did not know the identities of the

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It is noted that [REDACTED] is a known

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[REDACTED] who has been involved in [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] for years.

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MAY 1962 EDITION  
GSA FPMR (41 CFR) 101-11.6

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# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 6/19/74

FROM : LEGAT, BERN (92-62) (RUC)

SUBJECT: MUHAMMAD ALI;  
[REDACTED]

WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP BOXING MATCH;  
ZAIA, AFRICA  
SEPTEMBER 24, 1974  
FPC

Re Seattle letter 5/15/74.

Zaia, Africa, is probably Zaïre.

There was no record in files of Legat, Bern, of the Risnelia Investment Company of Geneva, Switzerland, or of [REDACTED]. The Risnelia Investment Company does not appear in the Geneva telephone or city directories. The Commercial Section, the Embassy, Bern, was unable to locate any company by that name in Geneva through its sources.

Seattle LHM dated 5/15/74, has been disseminated to [REDACTED] for information.

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# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 7/10/74

FROM : SAC, SEATTLE (163-0-198) (RUC)

SUBJECT: CHANGED  
MUHAMMAD ALI;

WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP BOXING MATCH;  
ZAIRE, AFRICA  
SEPTEMBER 24, 1974  
FOREIGN POLICE COOPERATION.

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Title marked changed to alter phonetic spelling  
Zaia to Zaire which has two dots over the "i" and to insert  
an "E" in the name of [redacted] as provided by the source.

Re Legat, Bern letter to Bureau, 6/19/74, and  
Cleveland letter to Bureau, 6/14/74.

Enclosed for the Bureau are ten copies and for  
New York and Cleveland two copies each of an LHM concerning  
captioned matter. In view of the contents of the LHM, it  
is not deemed appropriate to use either a property stamp or  
a classification stamp. The information is from public  
sources. The informant is [redacted].

The bureau may want to make copies of the LHM  
available to Legat, Bern (92-62), Legat, London, and other  
pertinent agencies. A copy of Seattle's LHM, May 15, 1974,  
would be helpful to the Legat, London for background.

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EX-10-1cc of LHM to  
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- ② - Bureau (Encl. 10)
- 1 - Cleveland (163-393) (Encl. 2) (Info)
- 1 - New York (Encl. 2) (Info)
- 2 - Seattle

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1 ENC. to STATE DEPT  
BY 0-14

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Seattle, Washington

July 10, 1974

In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

RE: MUHAMMAD ALI;

WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP BOXING MATCH;  
ZAIRE, AFRICA  
SEPTEMBER 24, 1974

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On July 8, 1974, a source who has furnished reliable information in the past reported he was going through some back issues of the "Seattle Times", a daily newspaper published at Seattle, Washington, and found a syndicated column in the issue of June 30, 1974, written by JIM MURRAY with a date-line of Los Angeles, California, which related to DONALD KING, the promoter of the world championship boxing match between MUHAMMAD ALI and [REDACTED]. A reproduction of the item is attached.

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"The Statesman's Year Book" for 1973-74 reported Zaire, also known as the Republique de Zaire, was formerly the Belgian Congo until the country became independent on June 30, 1960. In 1971, the country and the river were named Zaire. The capital is Kinshasa which formerly was known as Leopoldville. Its population in 1970 was 1,323,039. The Zaire constitution was revised in 1971 to establish a single-chamber parliament with one deputy for each 50,000 inhabitants and a president directly elected for seven years. Aircrew and ground personnel for the air force are trained in Italy.

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ENCLOSURE

Muhammad Ali-693



by Jim  
Murray

## From the streets to Zaire; D. K. knows the route

LOS ANGELES — Donald King could never understand why the police were always getting so worked up. He always paid off on time. He owed nobody. It was probably the newspapers. They kept referring to him as the "numbers king" as if his life were a dime novel.

The social reformers were upset because they thought he was siphoning money out of the ghetto, but D. K. could never understand that since he was IN the ghetto.

His life came out like a scenario from "Shaft's Big Ripoff" or something, but D. K. never did business with people who called themselves "boss of the bosses" or anything like that. He was just a one-man crime conglomerate. His nightclub was legit, and he hired the best artists and always paid off up front. But he didn't have his office on downtown Euclid Avenue in Cleveland, and he kept his books in a flowerpot where the vice squad couldn't see them. But his credit on the street was as good as the Federal Reserve's.

HE WAS tougher than he looked. He smiled a lot and walked away from fights because, early on, he had caught on to the white man's game that slavery had programmed the black man to die rather than live. And D. K. liked life.

He sincerely regretted killing Sam Garrett but, the bulk of the evidence showed, Sam Garrett had attacked him. D. K. never knew why. He had taken Sam Garrett right out of prison, had his teeth fixed, his shoes shined, and gave him a new wardrobe and a job. When a hunch number hit—D. K. even remembers what it was, "347"—Sam proved to have booked it himself. And couldn't pay off. D. K. who ALWAYS paid off, pointed out that Sam was giving him a bad name—and that's when Sam slammed him up against his Cadillac. D. K. took off his coat. The fight didn't last long. Witnesses say Sam never even saw it coming. He hit a hydrant on the way down, or all he might have had was a big headache the next day. Unfortunately, Sam's head was never to ache again. "Sam expired," recalled D. K., grimacing to this day at the thought.

The D. A. brought aggravated assault charges against D. K. But before trial, the Hough riots erupted, and the all-white jury was only too happy to find for murder two in the courtroom. They thought maybe if they sent D. K. away for life, they wouldn't have to lock their doors at night. The verdict was so palpably unfair—it was shown the victim had kicked D. K. first—but the judge threw it out. "The other man could as well be standing here," he explained. He reduced it to simple manslaughter.

D. K. thought he had only 11 months to serve in the Ohio pen. He figured he could do that standing on his head, and get back to his collections.

He thought wrong. Every time he came up before the parole board, they gave him back his four-year flop. The sentence was one to 20 which, on the face of it, is a laughable spread of severity. It's like making an offense punishable by a \$2 fine—or the electric chair. The parole board kept turning D. K. back—five times. Some said it was because the board kept hearing rumors he was going to try to bribe them with \$50,000. On the other hand, maybe they were upset because it was just rumor.

Obtained via FOIA by Judicial Watch, Inc.

IN ANY CASE, it was the best break Donald King ever had. He went in a headlum. He came out an educated man. "I knew hatred and bitterness would corrode me. I already had enough to pack my bag without adding to them."

He took courses by mail at Ohio U. He had the prison library all to himself. He found to his surprise that O. Henry had been a con. He went through Schopenhauer, Shakespeare, John Stuart Mill the Cycles of Business, and studied Economics 101 and 102. He corresponded with his professors and made friends with the prison priest, a Father Fury.

He came out of prison four years later armed and dangerous. Because he was armed with knowledge—the one "piece" police couldn't frisk you for. "All black men in America are in prison," he said. "Mine was just solitary confinement." He had become a street kid originally because there were no other options.

"What was I going to do—be president of the Stock Exchange?" he asks. "Kids in the ghetto go right from infant to adult. They never have the option of the frivolity of being teen-agers. At the age of six, with mama working, they find themselves with the awesome responsibility of adulthood. Statutorily, what I was doing was a crime. Practically, it was all I could do."

D. K. never went back to running numbers, he says, because he recognized it as a form of what he calls "neo-colonialism" which he says the black man accepted. He didn't want to accept it. He wanted to get into that larger numbers game called "capitalism."

Highly articulate, educated, a born salesman, an impressive physical specimen (6 feet 5 inches, 225 pounds) his life changed when he set out to raise money for a black hospital, "the only one in Ohio," he says, two years ago.

"I ran into prejudice—black prejudice. I couldn't see how black people could be swayed by decisions in law because we, as blacks, had no input in that law. But they rejected me because I had run afoul of that law."

IN DESPERATION, he phoned Muhammad Ali, whom he had met in his days as a leading Cleveland "sportsman." He expected a brush—but he told Ali candidly: "I'm an ex-convict, I'm an ex-numbers man, I am not going to be spiritually accepted." Ali accepted him. "I'll be there. I

understand. In fact, I'll be there three or four days ahead." The hospital benefit grossed \$82,500. From being a number in a penitentiary, D. K. became a number in Dun & Bradstreet.

He's now associated with what may be the gaudiest international promotion in history—the Ali-Foreman fight in Africa in September. By tireless travel, Kissinger-like salesmanship, Donald King first sealed the principals, then the bout. His first partner was an English theatrical producer, John Dailey. His second was the sovereign nation. It is the first prizefight promotion ever guaranteed by an entire country, Zaire, in the African Congo.

Donald King can quote you by the hour from Shakespeare, John Donne, Milton's "Paradise Lost" or the slave philosopher, Frederick Douglass, to explain his success, but the quote he comes back to is the one he got, not from a book, but from his brother who ran numbers before D. K. did. "Always pay off and always keep your word. Your money will come and go. Your word will stick with you."

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (163-38163)

FROM : SAC, SEATTLE (163-0-198)

DATE: 9/10/74

SUBJECT:

MUHAMMAD ALI;

WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP BOXING MATCH;  
ZAIRE, AFRICA  
SEPTEMBER 24, 1974  
FOREIGN POLICE COOPERATION

Relet and LHM from Seattle to Bureau, Cleveland, and New York, 7/10/74.

Enclosed for the Bureau are ten (10) copies and for Cleveland and New York two (2) copies each of an LHM concerning captioned matter. In view of the contents of the LHM, it is not deemed appropriate to use either a property stamp or a classification stamp. The information is from a public source. The informant is [redacted].

The Bureau may want to make available copies of the LHM to Legats at Bern and London and the one covering Zaire, Africa, plus any other agencies deemed appropriate.

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2 - Cleveland (Encl. - 2)  
2 - New York (Encl. - 2)  
2 - Seattle (1 - 163-0-198)

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cc, 2 enc to Legat Bern  
by 0-7 2 enc to [redacted]  
by 0-14 for info 2 enc  
to State Dept for  
info by 0-14. 9/20/74  
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Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan

Muhammad Ali-695

***In Reply, Please Refer to  
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RE: MUHAMMAD ALI;

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Muhammad Ali-696



## THE PRODUCERS OF THE FOREMAN-ALI FIGHT

There are three major sponsoring companies involved in the promotion of the World Heavyweight Championship Fight between George Foreman and Muhammad Ali in Kinshasa, Zaire on September 24 (10:00 p.m. EDT).

They are: HEMDALE LEISURE CORPORATION, VIDEO TECHNIQUES, INC., and DON KING PRODUCTIONS.

Information on the three companies and their principal officers follows:

### HEMDALE LEISURE CORPORATION

This London and New York-based international firm is the principal financial entity in the sponsorship of the Foreman-Ali fight. In addition to putting up the 1.5 million in advance capital, it raised the balance of the risk capital through letters of credit from Risnelia, a Swiss investment firm. Hemdale will control world film rights to the fight, as well as a share of other ancillary profits.

Hemdale has become in recent years a major conglomerate in the leisure and entertainment field, involved in motion picture, theatre, television and music enterprises.

JOHN DALY is the 36-year old head of Hemdale, and chief executive officer of Equity Enterprises, financial services and leisure conglomerate, of which Hemdale is a subsidiary.

The firm has produced and distributed a number of successful movies, plays and musicals. It has a variety of music interests, managing such recording stars and groups as Elton John, Black Sabbath, and owns film studios, betting shops and a merchant bank in England.

Last year, Hemdale joined United Artists Theatres and the Cinemobile division of Taft Broadcasting in a new motion picture production-financing company, Cine Artists International, which is soon to present its first movie, "Bobby and Rose".

Although he has made his reputation in the financial and leisure field, Daly is no newcomer to the boxing world. His father was a prominent English lightweight boxer and later became a well-known fight manager and trainer. A native of London, Daly served in the British merchant navy and was a life insurance underwriter before joining actor David Hemmings in organizing the Hemdale company in 1968.

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Hemdale's representative in the United States is FREDERICK SCHNEIER, with offices at 375 Park Avenue, New York. Schneier is vice-president of Hemdale Leisure Corporation and supervises Hemdale's growing involvement in the United States in the entertainment field. Schneier was formerly vice-president of programming for RKO General Television and a vice-president of Show Corporation, distributors of motion pictures and television programming.

### VIDEO TECHNIQUES, INC.

Video Techniques has in recent years become one of the nation's leading distributors of specialized television programming to select audiences throughout the world. It is fast achieving global supremacy in the field of closed circuit television.

The company was founded in September, 1970, to provide large screen television projectors for special closed circuit television events. It has since expanded into the promotion and production of major sporting, entertainment and cultural events.

Among its most recent productions were the closed circuit telecasts of the Foreman-Frazier championship fight from Kingston, Jamaica on January 22, 1973; and the Foreman-Norton championship fight from Caracas, Venezuela last March 26. In addition to numerous other boxing events, it has handled the closed circuit telecasts of basketball and football games, auto races, bull-fights and theatrical events.

The company is also involved in providing programming to cable television and pay-TV systems.

Video Techniques' growth is attributed to the leadership and experience of its two founders and principal officers, BARRY BURNSTEIN, president, and HENRY A. SCHWARTZ, executive vice-president, who have become specialists in world satellite communications technology.

BARRY BURNSTEIN is an expert on closed-circuit television, its equipment, services and transmission facilities. He organized Video Techniques with Mr. Schwartz after long experience in the communications field.

From 1953 to 1963, he was manager of traffic and plant facilities for the Teleprompter Corporation, where he played a major role in the establishment of closed circuit television networks. He joined the Telepro Industries (1963-68) as purchasing agent, production control manager and director of manufacturing; and later (1968-69) became president of the Channel Manufacturing Corporation, which manufactures and distributes audio cartridges and tape cassettes. In 1969-70, he was a consultant to Color Media Communications Corporation, a programmer of special closed circuit television programs.

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HENRY A. SCHWARTZ, a graduate engineer of international reputation, has been involved in the video, motion picture communications fields for several years.

He was president of Intersphere Development Corp. (1964-66), which developed patents for an 8-millimeter multiple select audio visual device; and executive vice president of Colorsonics, Inc. (1966-67), and a consultant to the National Radio Company, an electronics manufacturer. In 1968-69, he was president of Hashberry Enterprises, Inc., which developed front screen projection equipment and techniques for use with video or motion picture cameras.

Before organizing Video Techniques with Burnstein in 1970, Schwartz also served as a consultant to Color Media Communications Corporation, engaged in the establishment of closed circuit network television productions.

#### DON KING PRODUCTIONS, INC.

DON KING is president of Don King Productions and vice president of Video Techniques, Inc. He has been active in the black business community of Cleveland, Ohio, for most of his life, owning and operating various retail establishments and supper clubs in that city. He is a graduate of John Adams High School in Cleveland and attended Western Reserve University. During one period in his career, he was a cattle rancher.

During a brief incarceration in the Marion, Ohio correctional institute, Don King studied philosophy and business administration in correspondence courses from Ohio University. During this period, he gained insight into the social and economic plight of the black population in the United States which shaped his career after his release. He dedicated himself to raising the social and financial level of the black people, particularly the black athlete. To this end, he managed several heavyweight fighters, including Ernie Shavers, Jeff "Candy Slim" Merritt, Larry Holmes, and lightweight Ray Anderson. He has also promoted many heavyweight boxing contests live and on closed circuit in Ohio.

He is a close friend of Muhammad Ali and George Foreman and was instrumental in bringing them together for this world heavyweight championship.

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## WHY ZAIRE?

### How this Central African Republic Became the Site of the Foreman-Ali Championship Fight

World heavyweight championship fights have been held in some unusual places throughout the years, but none so exotic as Kinshasa, Zaire, in the center of the African continent.

How Kinshasa, Zaire, was chosen as the site of the Foreman-Ali fight is an interesting story in itself.

It started when Don King got the two fighters to agree to a match guaranteeing each of them a record-breaking purse of \$5 million. He went to Henry Schwartz and Barry Burnstein of Video Techniques, closed circuit specialists who had successfully produced the Foreman-Frazier fight in Kingston, Jamaica and the Foreman-Norton fight in Caracas, Venezuela.

Needing major financial sponsorship and determined to find a way to place this major international sports event on a world stage, Schwartz went to London to see John Daly, head of the Hemdale Leisure Corporation, which has an international reputation as a major financier of entertainment.

Daly was captivated by the colossal dimensions of the event and agreed to participate. Thus, Hemdale Leisure became the major financial entity in the enterprise, putting up 1.5 million dollars in up-front capital, and assuming responsibility for raising the balance of the risk capital. Daly and Schwartz contacted Risnelia, a major Swiss investment firm, which provided letters of credit for the balance of the financing and suggested that the fight be held in Zaire, where it has major holdings.

The two fighters had previously indicated that a site in Africa was most acceptable to them.

The Zaire Government of President Mobutu Sese Seko was contacted, and that government reacted with pride and happiness at the opportunity to welcome people from all over the world to their capital of Kinshasa.

Coincidentally, just 25 miles from Kinshasa is the location of a modern earth station, from which the live television signal could be transmitted to a communications satellite and relayed to countries all over the world.

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Thus, Kinshasa, Zaire, became a new dateline in the ever-growing almanac of sports.

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Muhammad Ali-701

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (172-31)

FROM : *gfb* SAC, DENVER (172-3) (RUC)

SUBJECT: *gwb* CHARLES SONNY LISTON;  
CASSIUS CLAY  
WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP FIGHT  
SPORTS BRIBERY  
OO: Boston

DATE: 6/27/66

Re Denver letter to Bureau dated 6/20/66.

Line 5, paragraph 1, page 2 of referenced letter should read [redacted] who is connected with [redacted] in Las Vegas" rather than [redacted] who is connected with the Stardust Motel in Las Vegas." b6 b7c

Denver, unless advised to the contrary, is conducting no further investigation in this matter.

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2 - Bureau (172-31)  
1 - Boston (172-41)  
1 - Las Vegas  
1 - Denver  
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BS No positive  
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**CONCURRED**  
**Ali-702**

**JUL 14 1966**

5/27/65

Airtel

- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Crime Records Div.
- 1 - Mr. Gale
- 1 - Mr. McAndrews
- 1 - Mr. Baker

To: SACs, Boston  
Chicago  
New York  
Philadelphia

From: Director, FBI

SONNY LISTON - CASSIUS CLAY  
WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP HEAVYWEIGHT FIGHT  
SPORTS BRIBERY

In view of the wide publicity with its attendant allegations given captioned matter and the indications that inquiries into this fight will be made by numerous bodies, including Congressional committees, you should discreetly contact highly confidential and other sources, as well as appropriate confidential informants, for any information they may have pertaining to this matter. Advise Bureau by return airtel. No open investigation is to be conducted at this time.

NOTE: See memo Gale to Belmont, same caption, dated 5/27/65, WPB:cae.

This communication being sent to these offices since information from highly confidential sources reveals gamblers in those areas have controlled boxers.

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5/27/65

Airtel

To: SAC, Boston

From: Director, FBI

SONNY LISTON - CASSIUS CLAY  
WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP HEAVYWEIGHT FIGHT  
SPORTS BRIBERY

ReBuairtel 5/27/65.

Department advises USA, Portland, Maine, has informed news media he contemplates conducting inquiries into Liston - Clay fight. In event USA requests your office to conduct investigation, Bureau authority is to be requested prior to instituting same.

Other action of the USA, such as Federal Grand Jury, as well as other pertinent developments should be promptly furnished Bureau.

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Muhammad Ali-704



UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : Mr. Belmont *WB*

DATE: May 27, 1965

FROM : J. H. Gale *g/Har*

SUBJECT: SONNY LISTON - CASSIUS CLAY  
WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP HEAVYWEIGHT FIGHT  
SPORTS BRIBERY

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Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

As you know, the Liston-Clay fight has received wide publicity by all forms of news media. Included in the publicity have been what appear to be unsubstantiated allegations by sports writers and persons long associated with the fight game that this fight was "fixed."

Since we have received no information or allegations to date indicating improprieties in connection with this fight, no open investigation is being conducted. It is felt, however, that appropriate confidential informants and sources located in logical offices should be discreetly contacted for information bearing on this matter.

## ACTION:

That, if approved, the attached airtel instructing our Boston, Chicago, New York and Philadelphia Offices to contact appropriate sources and informants regarding this matter, be sent.

## Enclosure

- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Crime Records Division
- 1 - Mr. Gale
- 1 - Mr. McAndrews
- 1 - Mr. Baker

WPB:cae

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UPI-119

ADD 1 BOXING, WASHINGTON (UPI-87)  
 A COMMISSION BILL WAS ~~ALSO~~ INTRODUCED BY REP. BENJAMIN ROSENTHAL,  
 D-N.Y.

CALLING ATTENTION TO "THE GROWING DOMINATION OF PROFESSIONAL BOXING  
 BY RACKETEERS AND UNDERWORLD ELEMENTS," ROSENTHAL SAID HIS BILL WOULD  
 EMPOWER THE COMMISSION TO:

--ESTABLISH RULES TO GOVERN CONTRACT AND RE-MATCH AGREEMENTS.  
 --SET STANDARDS FOR TRAINING PROCEDURES AND ADEQUATE MEDICAL  
 EXAMINATIONS DURING TRAINING AND BEFORE FIGHTS.

CHAIRMAN EMANUEL CELLER, D-N.Y., WHOSE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE WOULD HAVE  
 THE AUTHORITY TO INVESTIGATE BOXING IF THERE WERE INDICATIONS OF  
 CRIMINAL ACTS OR VIOLATIONS OF THE ANTI-TRUST LAWS, NOTED THAT CONGRESS  
 HAD INVESTIGATED BOXING IN THE PAST. HE SAID HE HAD NOT YET MADE  
 UP HIS MIND ABOUT ANOTHER STUDY.

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ENCLOSURE

WASHINGTON CAPITAL NEWS SERVICE

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UPI-127

ADD 2 BOXING, WASHINGTON  
IN THE SENATE, 72 YEAR-OLD SEN. A. WILLIS ROBERTSON, D-VA., WAS  
SUGGESTED AS THE MATCH FOR EITHER CLAY OR LISTON. THE SUGGESTION  
WAS MADE BY SEN. WARREN G. MAGNUSON, D-WASH., IN THE COURSE OF A  
SERIES OF BIRTHDAY TRIBUTES TO ROBERTSON.

SEN. HERMAN E. TALMADE, D-GA., NOTING THAT ROBERTSON IS KNOWN FOR  
HIS LOVE OF HUNTING AND FISHING, HAD COMMENTED THAT ROBERTSON HAS A RIGHT  
ARM LIKE THAT OF A PRIZE-FIGHTER.

MAGNUSON QUICKLY COMMENTED THAT ROBERTSON'S RIGHT WAS "STRONGER  
THAN TWO OTHER FIGHTERS' THAT I KNOW OF" AND ADDED: "I'D PUT HIM  
IN THE RING WITH EITHER ONE OF THEM."

5/27--EG308FED

172-31-3

F B I

Date: 5/28/65

Transmit the following in \_\_\_\_\_  
(Type in plain text or code)Via A I R T E L \_\_\_\_\_  
(Priority or Method of Mailing)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, PHILADELPHIA (172-3) (RUC)

SONNY LISTON - CASSIUS CLAY  
WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP HEAVYWEIGHT FIGHT  
SPORTS BRIBERY

Rebuairtel 5/27/65.

PHlet to Bureau, 5/24/65, captioned "Racket Control of Closed Circuit TV Rights for Clay-Liston Fight, 11/16/64 and 5/25/65" and PHairtel, 5/27/65, with same caption, contain all available information re possible fix.

PHlet, 5/24/65, contained information provided 11/19/64 by   re possible fix.

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- 3 - Bureau  
1 - Boston (Info)  
1 - Chicago (Info)  
1 - New York (Info)  
1 - Philadelphia (172-3)

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8 MAY 29 1965

Approved

JUN 14 1965

Special Agent in Charge

Sent

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Muhammad Ali-708

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Date: 6/2/65

Transmit the following in \_\_\_\_\_  
(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTEL \_\_\_\_\_  
(Priority)

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK

SUBJECT: SONNY LISTON-CASSIUS CLAY  
WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP HEAVY-  
WEIGHT FIGHT  
SPORTS BRIBERY

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Re Bureau airtel, 5/27/65.

On 5/24/65 and 5/25/65, [ ] was contacted by SA FRANK R. GERRITY and advised that he had heard nothing specific about any "dumping" for this fight. Informant said that it was the opinion of people in the fight game that LISTON could knock out CLAY if he so desired.

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On 5/26/65, informant advised that the rumor amongst people in the fight game was that LISTON "took a dive." Informant had no specific positive information to support this statement. Informant said that regardless of who was fronting in the handling of LISTON, he is still controlled by the underworld, namely FRANK "BLINKY" PALERMO, who has been described by various investigating agencies, including the Kefauver Committee in 1960, as an underworld figure who had control in boxing.

- 3 - Bureau  
1 - Boston (INFO)  
1 - Chicago (INFO)  
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On 5/25/65, [redacted] whose identity should be kept confidential, [redacted] Madison Square Garden, advised LISTON could knock out CLAY if everything was legitimate in the fight. [redacted] stated that he was concerned about the Black Muslims getting to LISTON and having him throw the fight for fear of death. [redacted] was thoroughly questioned concerning this statement and explained that he had no specific information to substantiate this opinion, but he felt that the Black Muslims were a bad group and would go to any extreme to protect their champion. [redacted] has supplied no substantial information regarding captioned matter since the fight.

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No additional significant information has been obtained through highly confidential sources and confidential informants in the NYO. These sources and informants have been alerted regarding captioned matter and any significant information will be forwarded to the Bureau as developed.



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Date: 6/1/65

Transmit the following in \_\_\_\_\_  
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(Priority)

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (172-New)

SUBJECT: SONNY LISTON VERSUS CASSIUS CLAY  
WORLD'S CHAMPIONSHIP HEAVYWEIGHT  
FIGHT  
SPORTS BRIBERY

Re Bureau airtel dated 5/27/65.

Sources and confidential informants who are considered experts in the field of boxing on a national scale were contacted at Chicago re captioned boxing match.

All sources furnished substantially the same information regarding LISTON's defeat in that they agreed that the result of the light blow thrown by CLAY in the first round was attributed to LISTON's character. All described LISTON as a "dog" in the boxing field. This term is applied to a fighter who though he possesses the appearance of a fierce competitor lacks the necessary qualities of courage and the will to win.

[redacted] former manager of several Chicago boxers, who was at ringside at Lewiston, Maine, reported LISTON appeared sluggish and dazed during the

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approximately 25 minutes in the ring prior to the actual bout. [ ] theorized LISTON may have been under the influence of a narcotic or similar substance.

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[ ] Chicago boxing promoter and promoter of the teleprompter version is of the opinion that possibly the heat during the long wait in the ring prior to the fight coupled with LISTON's age sapped his strength and slowed his reflexes causing his early downfall. [ ] is not aware of any other outside pressure exerted upon LISTON to throw the fight.

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[ ] heavyweight competitor who has fought LISTON, is of the opinion LISTON bit loss by decision inevitable, hence, took the easy way out. [ ] from personal experience, states LISTON is extremely difficult to hurt much less knock down, making knock-out by CLAY ridiculous.

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All sources advise that to the best of their knowledge betting on the bout was at a minimum and it was felt that monetary offer to LISTON to throw the fight could nowhere near equal the value of winning the title; hence, no outside influence in this regard dictated LISTON's behavior during the bout.

All sources are close to the operation of boxing on a national scale and have stated they will be alert for any future reports of irregularity connected with captioned fight and will immediately relay any such information to the Chicago Office.

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Date: 6/4/65

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(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTEL \_\_\_\_\_  
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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, BOSTON (172-4)

SONNY LISTON - CASSIUS CLAY  
WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP HEAVYWEIGHT FIGHT  
SPORTS BRIBERY

On 6/1/65, [ ] advised that the day before the CLAY-LISTON fight, [ ] who has a bookmaking operation, posted the odds as 8-5 in favor of LISTON; 5-6 in favor of CLAY. The day of the fight the informant ascertained from [ ] that the odds changed to a 6-5 "pickem" fight.

[ ] at this time stated that he would take as much LISTON money as he could; he was loaded with CLAY money, and told the informant that if he heard of anyone wanting to bet LISTON, regardless of the amount, the informant was to take the bet and lay off the money to him.

Informant immediately figured from the way [ ] handled him on the phone that something was wrong with the fight, and that he, the informant, thought LISTON would win.

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Previous investigation of [redacted] reflected that  
he is apparently bookmaking for [redacted] subject  
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Mr. Tolson	✓
Mr. Belmont	✓
Mr. Mohr	✓
Mr. DeLoach	✓
Mr. Casper	✓
Mr. Callahan	✓
Mr. Conrad	✓
Mr. Felt	✓
Mr. Gale	✓
Mr. Rosen	✓
Mr. Sullivan	✓
Mr. Tavel	✓
Mr. Trotter	✓
Tele. Room	✓
Miss Holmes	✓
Miss Gandy	✓

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, BOSTON (17254)

SONNY LISTON-CASSIUS CLAY  
WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP HEAVYWEIGHT FIGHT  
SPORTS BRIBERY

Reurairtel, 5/27/65.

District Attorney GARRETT H. BYRNE, Suffolk County, Boston, Mass., advised that he caused the LISTON-CLAY Heavyweight Championship bout, which was to have taken place in Boston on 5/25/65, to be banned in Boston because of the following:

Approximately a month before the scheduled fight information came to his attention that the LISTON-CLAY promoters had attempted to schedule the fight in 35-40 cities throughout the United States but were turned down in every city. Pressure was brought to bear by [redacted] Congressman JOHN W. MC CORMACK, who, in turn, obtained the assistance of Massachusetts Governor's Council, PATRICK J. "SONNY" MC DONOUGH. MC DONOUGH exerted pressure on the Massachusetts former Gov. ENDICOTT PEABODY, who, in turn, exerted pressure on the Massachusetts Boxing Commission which he, the Governor, appoints.

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The Boxing Commission was not too enthusiastic to permit the fight to take place in Boston.

Because of these pressures, the Boxing Commission finally voted to schedule the fight in Boston.

BYRNE, during his investigation, ascertained that the fight was being promoted by what he termed "phantom promoters" who used a local promoter to actually obtain the license in the local promoter's name.

A Massachusetts Statute demands that 5% of the actual attendance be collected by the Massachusetts tax authorities at least 24 hours in advance of the fight. Based on this statute, he caused court action in order to collect the 5% of the above attendance.

He realized that the local promoter, [REDACTED] was not in a position to pay this percentage. When court action was brought, the promoters immediately changed the fight to Lewiston, Me.

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BYRNE advised that he has no information the fight was fixed.

Logical Boston informants contacted. All advised they have no knowledge of any fix.



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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI  
FROM: SAC, BOSTON (172-4)  
SONNY LISTON-CASSIUS CLAY  
WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP HEAVYWEIGHT FIGHT  
SPORTS BRIBERY

Rebuairtel to Boston, 5/27/65, and Bosairtel to  
Bureau, 6/1/65.

On 6/14/65, USA ALTON A. LESSARD, Portland, Me.,  
advised SA [redacted] that no Federal Grand Jury or other  
action is contemplated in this matter unless Congressional  
Committee investigation indicates such action warranted.

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It is noted USA LESSARD has indicated that  
[redacted] Antitrust Division, had suggested possibility  
of FTC investigation under Antitrust Laws, but no action  
has been initiated in this connection.

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This is being submitted for information purposes.

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1-Boston

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Via \_\_\_\_\_  
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (172-9) (RUC)

SUBJECT: SONNY LISTON - CASSIUS CLAY  
WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP HEAVY-WEIGHT FIGHT  
SPORTS BRIBERYRe Bureau airtel 5/27/65, and NY airtel to  
Director, 6/2/65.

On 6/8/65, [redacted] advised SA [redacted] that [redacted] of Las Vegas had lost a "bundle of money" on the captioned fight. It appeared that [redacted] along with other top gamblers had bet on LISTON. According to the informant, [redacted], ex-wife of [redacted], had indicated that it looked like the wrong one "took a dive". Informant commented that such a situation was possible in view of [redacted] close association with [redacted] who in turn was close to LISTON. Informant was unable to comment more specifically on the above information.

Contacts <sup>with</sup> ~~by~~ additional informants and other sources available to the NYO resulted in no additional specific information regarding captioned matter.

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# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 7/30/65

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (172-3) (C)

SUBJECT: SONNY LISTON - CASSIUS CLAY  
WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP HEAVYWEIGHT FIGHT  
SPORTS BRIBERY

Contacts have been continued with sources and confidential informants who are considered experts in the field of boxing on a national scale. These sources, include [redacted] who has been in personal contact with SONNY LISTON and who has discussed various aspects of the captioned fight.

No additional information has been developed which indicates bribery or other irregularities connected with captioned fight since it took place on May 25, 1965.

Based on the above, this matter is being closed by the Chicago Office. However, contact will periodically be made with sources and informants and any new developments relative to captioned matter will be immediately submitted to the Bureau.

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# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (172-31)

DATE: 9/23/65

FROM : SAC, BOSTON (172-4)

SUBJECT: SONNY LISTON-CASSIUS CLAY  
WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP HEAVYWEIGHT FIGHT  
SPORTS BRIBERY

Rebulet to Bureau, 6/16/65.

By letter dated 8/4/65, the New Haven Office advised that [redacted] after contacting the gambling element in NYC and reading where captioned fight discussed by members of U. S. Congress, decided against contacting [redacted] of Camden, N. J. He theorized that no information could be elicited from [redacted] in view of the public reaction to the effect that the fight was not on the level.

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New Haven also advised that Las Vegas was unable to develop any information indicating that the fight was fixed.

In view of the above, this case is being closed.

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1-New Haven (92-264) (Info)  
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Date: 12/8/65

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (172-9) (P)

SUBJECT: SONNY LISTON - CASSIUS CLAY  
WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP FIGHT.  
SPORTS BRIBERY

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ReBuairtel 5/27/65 and NY airtels 6/2 and 7/20/65.

Information copies of this airtel are being furnished the Boston, Chicago and Philadelphia Offices in view of referenced Buairtel in this matter. For information of offices not having received referenced Buairtel, the Bureau following the LISTON-CLAY championship fight, advised as follows:

In view of the wide publicity with its attendant allegations given captioned matter, and the indications that inquiries into this fight will be made by numerous bodies including Congressional committees, you should discreetly contact highly confidential and other sources, as well as appropriate confidential informants, for any information they may have pertaining to this matter. Advise Bureau by return airtel. No open investigation is to be conducted at this time.

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1-Boston (Info) (RM)  
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2-Dallas (RM)  
2-Houston (RM)  
2-Las Vegas (RM)  
2-El Paso (RM)  
1-Philadelphia (Info) (RM)  
2-San Antonio (RM)  
1-New York [redacted]  
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It is noted that on 12/2/65, PCI [ ] advised SA [ ] he had received the following information from [ ], whom the PCI described as a close friend of SONNY LISTON, who has part interest in a casino as well as other interests in Las Vegas:

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[ ] bet \$12,000 on LISTON to win the first LISTON-CLAY title bout. After losing this, [ ] asked questions and allegedly heard that LISTON had taken a sizable pay-off to "take a dive".

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According to [ ] one or more oil men from Texas had bet a large amount on LISTON to win. [ ] believed that the person or persons holding this money approached LISTON and offered him a very sizable amount of money to throw the fight. [ ] advised PCI that it was his belief that LISTON was approached directly in this regard and personally agreed to throw the fight, but stated no one would ever be able to prove it.

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At the time of the second LISTON-CLAY fight in Maine, [ ] again intended to bet on LISTON; however, when [ ] reached Maine he was told by someone whom he would not identify, that he should not bet on LISTON, as the fight was definitely fixed and CLAY could not lose. The PCI stated he could not be sure, but to the best of his recollection, [ ] mentioned that someone from Las Vegas had paid LISTON to throw the fight. [ ] also advised the PCI that CLAY was not aware that both fights had been fixed and CLAY is allegedly under the impression that he won both fights fairly.

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[ ] further advised PCI he heard a rumor to the effect that LISTON now owns a share of CASSIUS CLAY through LISTON's interest in the Inter-Continental Promotions.

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It is noted that the information received from the PCI is vague and non-specific. However, the Dallas, Houston, Las Vegas, El Paso and San Antonio Offices are requested to contact appropriate sources and informants in an effort to develop more specific information relating to the alleged "oil men" who placed a large amount on LISTON to win, and in particular, to identify their bookmaker or persons who accepted large bets from them.



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The NYO will maintain contact with the PCI who has furnished the above information and additional informants will be contacted in this matter in an effort to develop more specific information.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, SAN ANTONIO (172-5) (RUC)

SUBJECT: SONNY LESTON - CASSIUS CLAY  
WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP FIGHT  
SPORTS BRIBERY

Re New York airtel to Director, 12/8/65.

On 12/13/65, [ ] a bookmaker with extensive knowledge of betting odds on sporting events, advised that no information has come to his attention concerning possible fix of captioned fight. He said he takes no bets on boxing matches because he is of the opinion that all fights are crooked. He was unable, however, to furnish any details concerning any specific crooked fight.

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Date: 12/17/65

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(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL  
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, LAS VEGAS (172-3) (RUC)

SONNY LISTON - CASSIUS CLAY  
WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP FIGHT  
SPORTS BRIBERY

Re New York airtel to Bureau, 12/8/65.

12/17/65: [ ] furnished the following information on

[ ] did not bet \$12,000 on LISTON to win the first LISTON - CLAY title bout. He did, however, bet \$5,200 on LISTON to win. [ ] does not believe LISTON took a dive in either the first or second fight. The odds on the first fight, up to about one hour before the match, were 4 or 5 to 1, and then moved to 8 to 1 before the fight. To make the odds jump in this manner meant that the gamblers were betting big money on LISTON.

[ ] knew that LISTON had a poor shoulder before the first LISTON - CLAY fight.

The individual who told [ ] not to bet on LISTON in the second fight was [ ] who advised [ ] that LISTON was not in condition and could not take CLAY. [ ] however, made a sentimental bet on LISTON and lost a small amount on this fight.

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The fact that LISTON owns, or did own, an interest in the Inter-Continental Promotions, is common knowledge and carried in sports pages of newspapers.

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- 2 - New York (172-9) (RM)
- 2 - Las Vegas (1 - 172-3)
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The betting [ ] made on the above fights was head to head bets, and no layoff was involved.

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The only rumor that source has heard of late, which he has not been able to talk over with LISTON, is the rumor which says that the NOI may have threatened bodily harm to LISTON's family if he did not take a dive in the second LISTON - CLAY fight. It is the source's opinion that while CLAY is too young and strong for LISTON, CLAY does not have the power to stop LISTON in one round.

Source stated LISTON plans to tour Europe starting in late February with exhibition matches. [ ] and possibly LISNER may accompany LISTON.

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For the information of New York, [ ] LISTON and is [ ] During the recent CLAY - PATTERSON heavyweight championship fight held in Las Vegas, CLAY roomed and ate in special accommodations [ ] This office has no reason to doubt the reliability of [ ] and it is pointed out that during the past six months this source has furnished reliable information to this office.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, CHICAGO (172-3) (RUC)

SUBJECT: SONNY LISTON;  
CASSIUS CLAY  
WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP FIGHT  
SPORTS BRIBERY

Re New York airtel to Bureau 12/8/65.

Chicago confidential sources and informants contacted.

On 12/28/65, [ ] reiterated as in past contacts, he had no doubts that the second LISTON-CLAY fight was fixed, as a result of outside influence brought to bear on LISTON. Informant of opinion CLAY totally unaware of any irregularity on the part of LISTON.

Informant, [ ] LISTON, was in contact with LISTON immediately after the bout. He recalled that LISTON's wife [ ] remarked to him, "I just wouldn't allow him to keep going and maybe get hurt". Informant was of opinion that she was aware

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that the outcome of the bout was inevitable, that LISTON must lose, and that he was told by her to take the first opportunity to "bow out", rather than stay the 15 round distance and possibly incur injury. According to informant, [redacted] greatly influences LISTON's actions.

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Informant volunteered that LISTON was very close to [redacted] who held interest in Las Vegas Enterprises and stated that LISTON and [redacted] had engaged in "a lot of shenigans" in Las Vegas together, however, did not volunteer specifics in this regard. He volunteered that [redacted] would be an appropriate individual to contact LISTON in order to further any fix or irregularity connected with the fight.

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Informant, [redacted] especially LISTON, was at ring-side in Lewiston, Maine, 5/25/65. Knowing LISTON's tremendous capacity for absorbing physical punishment, he termed the "knock out" of LISTON ridiculous. To illustrate CLAY's punching power, he noted that recently CLAY was unable to knock out aging FLOYD PATTERSON who was light, smaller, and suffered from a severe back injury. [redacted]

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[redacted] current heavy weight contender ERNIE TERRILL, recalled that immediately after the championship fight between CLAY and LISTON, he spoke briefly with [redacted] in a Lewiston, Maine hotel room. [redacted] who had 25% of LISTON's contract and who is also a close associate of Philadelphia hoodlums ANGELO BRUNO and FRANK PALERMO, made a remark to informant in a voice of authority, "forget it, TERRILL would not have fought LISTON anyway." According to informant, [redacted] prior to the bout, displayed absolutely no interest or anxiety in connection with the forthcoming fight, indicating to informant that [redacted] also had inside information regarding the outcome of the bout.

In connection with information set forth in reairtel relative to development of more specific information in this matter, the following is set forth for consideration Boston Office:



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Prior to selection of Lewiston, Maine as final site for CLAY-LISTON bout, Boston, Massachusetts was considered the logical site, however, due to strong objections of Suffolk County District Attorney GARRETT H. BYRNE, Boston was ruled out. Subsequently an article appeared in the "Boston Herald", dated 5/27/65, and lavished praise on BYRNE for refusing to sanction bout in Boston. Article stated basis for his objections prior to the fight was that BYRNE "possessed information convincing him that the fight was to be a set-up". It is not known if Bureau or Boston has deemed it advisable to interview BYRNE to determine information in his possession prior to the bout.

[redacted] recalled that upon LISTON's telephonic request he flew to his home in Denver, on 6/4/65, to talk to him. LISTON was extremely depressed; however, did not admit to a "fix" during their conversation. Informant was of opinion that present time would possibly be suitable to interview LISTON regarding his actions during the fight, however, he noted that LISTON is extremely antagonistic toward law enforcement officials and members of the Caucasian race in general. ||

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To: SAC, Denver

From: Director, FBI (172-31)

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 SONNY LISTON;  
 CASSIUS CLAY  
 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP FIGHT  
 SPORTS BRIBERY

ReCGairtel to Bureau dated 12/29/65.

For the information of Denver, the Bureau instituted discreet inquiries of highly confidential sources in several large cities to determine if the above fight held in Lewiston, Maine, May, 1965, was "fixed" because of the wide publicity it received and indications that investigations would be conducted by various agencies including Congressional Committees. To date, vague information and personal opinions have been received concerning a "fix;" however, no definite information has been received to indicate it was.

A Chicago source who is close to Liston recently advised Liston was extremely depressed concerning the fight. He stated Liston did not admit to a "fix" but was of the opinion Liston would possibly be susceptible to an interview at the present time regarding his activities in the fight. Source stated, however, Liston is extremely antagonistic toward law enforcement officials and members of the Caucasian race in general.

Inasmuch as Liston resides in Denver, you are requested to furnish the Bureau any information you have received concerning this matter. Denver should also furnish your recommendation as to the feasibility of an interview with Liston and if there are any reasons to preclude such an interview.

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For the information of Chicago, District Attorney Garrett H. Byrne, Boston, Massachusetts, has been interviewed concerning this matter and could furnish no definite information regarding a "fix" of the fight.

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Date: 1/11/66

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (172-31)

FROM: SAC, DENVER (172-3) (P)

SONNY LISTON;  
CASSIUS CLAY;  
WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP FIGHT  
SPORTS BRIBERY

Re Bureau airtel to Denver dated 1/4/66.

Sources of the Denver Office have furnished no information to substantiate information indicated in referenced airtel that the fight held in Lewiston, Maine, in May of 1965 was fixed. On the contrary, former Denver PCI [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] LISTON volunteered shortly after the fight that he was present at the fight and in his opinion the fight was not fixed. No source of this office has reported personal conversation with LISTON concerning the circumstances of his losing this fight.

Before consideration is given to a direct approach to LISTON, Denver Agents contemplating discreet contacts with established Denver sources, particularly [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] to determine if they can obtain any pertinent information in this matter.

It is noted that on two occasions during the past year Agents of the Denver Office have contacted LISTON and on one

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- 1 - Boston (172-4)
- 1 - Chicago (172-3)
- 1 - New York (172-9)
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of these occasions he appeared to be reasonable cooperative but on the other he exhibited a highly antagonistic attitude and refused to talk to Agents.

Denver sources indicate LISTON's Denver home is now for sale and he reportedly plans to move to Las Vegas in the near future.

Since information in referenced airtel appears to be indefinite and unspecific, it is suggested that the Bureau direct any offices who may be in possession of more specific information or which has sources available that might logically be expected to supply more specific information to furnish such information to the Bureau and the Denver Office, after which time efforts will be made to set up an interview with LISTON.

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To: SAC, Denver (172-3)  
From: Director, FBI (172-31) - 18

SONNY LISTON;  
CASSIUS CLAY;  
WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP FIGHT  
SPORTS BRIBERY

ReDNairtel to Bureau 1/11/66 and Bureau airtel to Denver 1/4/66.

As indicated in referenced Bureau airtel, attempts by other offices to obtain specific information about a possible "fix" of the Liston - Clay fight in May, 1965, have been unsuccessful. Sources close to Liston indicated he has never admitted the fight was "fixed" and the matter remains unresolved. Denver's recommendation as to an interview with Liston was requested in an attempt to resolve this matter.

Denver should contact sources mentioned in referenced Denver airtel to determine if they have any information which may resolve this question. If no, specific information is obtained from these sources that the fight was "fixed," Denver should not interview Liston at this time in view of his highly antagonistic attitude when last contacted by Agents of that office.

- 1 - Boston (172-4)
- 1 - Chicago (172-3)
- 1 - New York (172-9)

NOTE: DN was requested to furnish its recommendations regarding the interview of Liston inasmuch as this matter could not be resolved through sources close to Liston. CG source stated Liston very depressed and might possibly talk although source admitted he was very antagonistic toward law enforcement officials in general and also members of the Caucasian race. DN instructed to contact their sources for information concerning this matter and if none produced no effort should be made to interview Liston because of past experiences

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (172-31)

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (172-9)

SUBJECT: C  
SONNY LISTON;  
CASSIUS CLAY,  
WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP FIGHT  
SPORTS BRIBERY  
(OO:BOSTON)

ReNYairtel to the Bureau, 12/8/65, captioned as above.

BS Division is being designated office of origin  
inasmuch as last LISTON-CLAY title bout took place within the  
BS Division.PCI [ ] has been recontacted during December,  
1965 and January, 1966 without developing any additional  
specific information regarding this matter.Sources of the NYO have furnished no information to  
substantiate information in referenced NY airtel.Since the information from PCI [ ] as  
furnished 12/2/65 was unspecific, no further investigation is  
being conducted by the NYO, UACB.3-Bureau  
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1-Denver (172-3)  
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Date: 1/25/66

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

*Hlgm* FROM: SAC, EL PASO (172-2) (RUC)

SUBJECT: SONNY LISTON - CASSIUS CLAY  
WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP FIGHT  
SPORTS BRIBERY

OO: NEW YORK

Re New York airtel to the Bureau dated 12/8/65.

Pursuant to instructions in referenced New York airtel confidential informants in the El Paso Division were contacted on December 16, 21, and 23, 1965 and on January 4, 14 and 21, 1966 in an effort to develop more specific information relating to the alleged "oilmen" who placed a large amount on LISTON to win, in an effort to identify any bookmaker or person who accepted any large bets from these alleged "oilmen".

Informants at El Paso, Texas and in the Midland and Odessa, Texas area where wealthy oilmen do reside report that no one in this area did any heavy betting on either of the fights involving the subjects of this case. It was noted that in this area according to these informants the sporting or

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betting element have come to consider boxing in  
merely the same light as wrestling.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (172-31)  
FROM: SAC, PHILADELPHIA (172-3) (RUC)  
SUBJECT: SONNY LISTON - CASSIUS CLAY  
WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP HEAVYWEIGHT FIGHT  
SPORTS BRIBERY

ReNYairtel to Bureau dated 12/8/65.

On 6/3/65, [ ] advised that from what he has heard in fight circles it was a legitimate fight and no "fix" was in. If there had been a fix, it wouldn't have been that obvious in appearance as to what happened. He stated that [ ] the referee, never should have terminated the fight as CLAY never got to a neutral corner and the rules call for the other fighter to go to a neutral corner when there is a knockdown and this must be done before the referee can start a count and then count out the fallen fighter. LISTON's poor showing was due to over-training. He stated that five days prior to the fight LISTON could have beaten CLAY but they kept on training LISTON and this caused him to just all of a sudden die when in the ring. The day of the fight [ ] in Philadelphia called [ ] office and told [ ] (phonetic) to bet on CLAY. [ ] had the word then that LISTON was over-trained. [ ] is a manager who has been in the fight game for years. He also heard that after the fight LISTON cried like a baby. [ ], who used to have LISTON, never saw him cry or act like this, and [ ] stated he would bet his life there was no "fix."

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No additional information has been obtained from confidential informants in the Philadelphia Office.

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# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (172-31)

FROM : SAC, DENVER (172-3) (P)

SUBJECT: SONNY LISTON;  
CASSIUS CLAY  
WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP FIGHT  
SPORTS BRIBERY  
(OO: BOSTON)

DATE: 2/28/66

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

Re Bureau airtels to Denver 1/4/66 and 1/13/66;  
Denver airtel to Bureau 1/11/66; New York airtel to Bureau  
1/27/66.

A copy of this letter is furnished Las Vegas  
because information received in Denver that LISTON plans  
to move to Las Vegas in the near future.

For information Las Vegas, the Bureau instituted  
discreet inquiries of highly confidential sources in several  
large cities to determine if the LISTON-CLAY fight held in  
Lewiston, Maine, in May of 1965 was "fixed" because of the  
wide publicity it received and indications that investigations  
would be conducted by various agencies, including Congressional  
committees. The Bureau further advised attempts by other  
offices to obtain specific information about a possible  
"fix" of this fight have been unsuccessful, and pointed out  
that sources close to LISTON indicated he has never admitted  
the fight was fixed. As a result, this matter remains  
unresolved.

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For further information Las Vegas, Denver,  
in the past, has contacted LISTON on two occasions  
on other matters, and on one occasion he appeared to  
be reasonably cooperative, but on the last contact  
he exhibited a highly antagonistic attitude and refused  
to talk to agents. Because of this, the Bureau advised

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- 1 - Las Vegas (Info.)
- 1 - New York (172-9)
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any interview of LISTON concerning the possible fix of this fight should be held up at this time, and Denver should contact its sources to determine if they have any information regarding this fight.

[redacted] advised SA WILLIAM J. MALONE on 1/31/66 that he is acquainted with several individuals who have closely associated with LISTON, and pointed out that he has not been able to obtain any information indicating LISTON "laid down" during the last LISTON-CLAY fight held in Lewiston, Maine. He pointed out it was his opinion, and the consensus of the "fight crowd" in Denver, that LISTON was an overrated fighter and CLAY was underrated, and that up until the time LISTON had met CLAY, he had never met any real fighters so as to prove how tough he was. He pointed out LISTON is a loner and does not confide in very many people, but those few people who do know LISTON state that he is not smart enough to be involved in any fix. He also pointed out that if this fight was fixed, whoever arranged the fix did it in a most unusual manner inasmuch as the fight ended so suddenly; and therefore, not even a good script was written for the supposed fixed fight.

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[redacted] advised SA MALONE on 1/20/66 that no information had come to his attention that the last CLAY-LISTON fight was fixed, and at this time pointed out that it would be most difficult to fix a fight today for gambling purposes since it is most difficult to fight bookmakers throughout the United States who would handle any large bets without becoming suspicious. He pointed

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out it is difficult to bet large amounts of money with anyone booked throughout the United States, and that any bets would have to be "laid off" to various other bookmakers located throughout the United States, and this would also cause quite a bit of suspicion among the gamblers. He also pointed out he did not believe the fight was fixed for the purpose of a syndicate or a group gaining control of the champion inasmuch as LISTON was already reportedly controlled by eastern hoodlums and by his losing the fight, would not enable these hoodlums to regain control of the champion by CLAY's regaining his championship. He could not elaborate on the identity of those who control LISTON, other than stating it was common knowledge FRANK "BLINKY" SALERMO, prior to his imprisonment, had control of LISTON.

[redacted] advised SA [redacted] on 1/13/66 that he was always suspicious of the results of the CLAY-LISTON fights, but he has no evidence that these fights were fixed and has never received any information, other than mere speculation, indicating that there were any irregularities concerning these fights. This informant, who worked for a short time during 1963 as [redacted] for LISTON, advised it was his opinion that CLAY could never have defeated LISTON.

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[redacted] advised SA's WILLIAM J. MALONE and [redacted] on 2/11/66 that there has been much speculation among sports fans in the Five Points Area, where LISTON spends a considerable amount of time, as to whether LISTON might have been involved in any irregularities during his two fights with CASSIUS CLAY. He stated, however, he has not received any specific evidence that these fights were fixed, and it is his opinion, and the opinion of others in the area, that LISTON was overrated and that CLAY was underrated. He pointed out CLAY is definitely a better fighter than he is rated, and that the LISTON-CLAY

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fight was just a matter of a good young man beating a fair old man.

This informant advised that LISTON presently has his Denver, Colorado, residence for sale and is planning to move to Las Vegas in the near future. He further advised LISTON enjoys a reputation in the Five Points Area of being an avid craps shooter, woman chaser, and heavy drinker. He advised it is reported LISTON always has large sums of money, and that he is sought after by operators of gambling games in the Five Points Area. He further stated LISTON's favorite gambling spot is one [redacted] at 2645 Welton and further advised he understands LISTON has lost a considerable amount of money at the crap games operated at this Welton Street location.

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He pointed out that LISTON has few friends and that he seldom appears at the Five Points Area in places other than [redacted] gambling establishment or at Bishop's Barber Shop.

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PCI [redacted] advised SA [redacted] and SA WILLIAM J. MALONE on 2/11/66 that she is in almost daily contact with LISTON and that he indicates he plans to move to Las Vegas, Nevada, within the next month or two and take up permanent residence there. She said LISTON told her within the past few days that while in Las Vegas he will train once again to fight, and presently has plans to travel to Europe where he will box known European heavyweights. She stated she has no information as to why LISTON is moving to Las Vegas, nor who is responsible for this move.

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This PCI advised that she knows very little about the fight game, but that it was the opinion of most of the people in the Five Points Area where LISTON

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spends most of his time and where she is employed, that LISTON is not as good a fighter as he was rated, and that CLAY was underrated. She stated that quite a few people in the Five Points Area have lost money on both the LISTON-CLAY fights, and that quite a few of these people give LISTON a hard time and at no time has he ever confided to her that he laid down during either of these fights.

She pointed out that she plans to marry [REDACTED] LISTON [REDACTED] when [REDACTED] is released from the Colorado State Penitentiary in March of 1966, and through her contacts with [REDACTED] she has been in constant contact with LISTON. She pointed out LISTON is a loner and one who is most difficult to get along with.

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For further information of Las Vegas, during a pretext phone call to the Redlon Realty Company in Denver, which company has its "For Sale" sign placed in front of LISTON's Denver residence, it was determined that LISTON plans to remain in Denver until he sells his home, and then move to Las Vegas.

A new case has been opened regarding the gambling activities of [REDACTED] and during the course of this investigation, discreet inquiry will be made regarding the possibilities of the CLAY-LISTON fights being fixed.

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Denver continuing investigation.

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Date: 3/28/66

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TO DIRECTOR (MAIL) 172-31 AND LAS VEGAS  
FROM DENVER 172-3 1P

SONNY LISTON; CASSIUS CLAY, WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP FIGHT, SPORTS  
BRIBERY. OO BOSTON.

DENVER INFORMANTS ADVISE LISTON MOVING TO LAS VEGAS,  
NEVADA, THIS DATE AND WILL RESIDE TWO ZERO FIVE EIGHT OTTAWA  
DRIVE, LAS VEGAS.

DENVER CONTINUING INVESTIGATION.

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# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (172-31)

FROM : SAC, DENVER (172-3) (P)

SUBJECT: CHANGED  
CHARLES "SONNY" LISTON;  
CASSIUS CLAY  
WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP FIGHT  
SPORTS BRIBERY

DATE: 4/27/66

Title changed in this case to reflect subject's true name as CHARLES "SONNY" LISTON.

Re Denver radiogram to Bureau and Las Vegas dated 3/28/66; Denver letter to Bureau dated 2/28/66, one copy for Las Vegas.

Enclosed for Las Vegas is a copy of LISTON's Denver PD record, Denver PD #11679, and a copy of LISTON's FBI Identification Record, under FBI #272 767 B, dated 3/13/64. Both of these records were received from the Identification Bureau, Denver PD, on this date. Also enclosed is a recent photograph of LISTON.

During the course of another investigation,

[redacted] FBI [redacted] SONNY LISTON who was just released from the Colorado State Penitentiary on 3/6/66, advised in March of 1966 that there was no doubt in his mind that the second CLAY-LISTON fight held in Lewiston, Maine, was fixed, and that LISTON took a dive in this fight. [redacted] who was born in Kirkwood, Missouri, and who worked with LISTON as [redacted] in St. Louis, Philadelphia, and Denver, and who claimed to be one of LISTON's few friends, stated he knows through his knowledge of the fight game that there is no fighter fighting today that LISTON could not defeat, including CLAY.

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Mr. [ ] who claimed to know ~~JOHN~~ VITALE, St. Louis hoodlum, and FRANK "BLINKY" PALERMO, former Philadelphia hoodlum now in prison because of their close association with LISTON, advised the first CLAY-LISTON fight was legitimate and LISTON lost this fight because of a shoulder injury. He advised it was common knowledge that VITALE, and later on, PALERMO, controlled LISTON and stated that shortly after PALERMO was in prison there was an internal battle among the hoodlum element to gain control over LISTON. He pointed out he was of the opinion that a group of Philadelphia hoodlums under the control of ANGELO BRUNO eventually gained control over LISTON and stated that is the reason that a Philadelphia lawyer with hoodlum connections, the identity of whom he did not know, handled LISTON's legal matters concerning his heavyweight championship fights.

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Previous investigation has indicated that [ ] Philadelphia lawyer, along with [ ] and [ ] all reportedly close friends of ANGELO BRUNO, were in contact with LISTON and these three individuals were observed at LISTON's Denver residence in October of 1964 by Denver Agents.

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[ ] further explained that the hoodlum element decided to get rid of LISTON inasmuch as he kept them in the spotlight and kept getting pressure on them by his numerous entanglements with police authorities. He said they considered LISTON to be a very unpopular champion and since they controlled the promotion of every title fight and did not need actual control of the champion, they ordered LISTON to take a dive in the second CLAY-LISTON fight.

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