

APPENDIX

NATION OF ISLAM,
FORMERLY REFERRED TO
AS MUSLIM CULT OF ISLAM,
ALSO KNOWN AS
MUHAMMAD'S TEMPLES OF ISLAM

In February, 1957, a confidential informant advised that the "Nation of Islam" is an organization composed entirely of Negroes which was organized in 1930 in Detroit, Michigan. The national leader is Elijah Muhammad, who 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. According to Muhammad, the purpose of the organization is to establish an independent black nation in the United States.

Members follow the teachings of Muhammad, which are allegedly based on his interpretation of the "Koran." They are taught that there is no such thing as a Negro; that the so-called Negro race is the original race on earth and is Asiatic in origin and nature; that they are not citizens of the United States but merely slaves; that the white race, referred to as "white devils," is inferior to the Negro race but has exploited the Negroes, imposed slave names upon them, withheld from them the history of their true identity and culture, and, as a consequence, must and will be destroyed in the approaching "War of Armageddon."

In the past, officials and members of the "Nation of Islam," including Elijah 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.

In January, 1957, another confidential informant related that Muhammad stated that upon advice of legal counsel, he had tempered his personal statements and instructions to his ministers concerning the tenets and principles of this organization in order to avoid prosecution by the Government for violation of the laws of the United States. However, he has not indicated any fundamental changes are proposed in the teachings of the organization.

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NATION OF ISLAM (CONT'D)

Another source of information advised on March 22, 1957, that Muhammad's Temple of Islam, Incorporated, Temple No. 7, 102 West 116th Street, New York, New York, is the New York City affiliate of the Nation of Islam under Elijan Muhammad of Chicago, Illinois.

On April 30, 1957, the first source of information mentioned above advised that the Fruit of Islam (FOI) is a group within the Nation of Islam composed of all able-bodied male members of the Nation of Islam. The purpose of the FOI is to protect officials and property of the Nation of Islam, assure compliance of members with Nation of Islam 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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To : SAC, NEW YORK (105-8999)

Date: 4/30/58

From : SAC, NEW YORK (105-8999)

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Subject: MALCOLM LITTLE, was:
Malcolm Shabazz,
Malcolm X., Minister
Malcolm, Brother Malcolm
SECURITY MATTER - NOI

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REFERENCE

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he continues to act in a leadership capacity in the NOI, and continues to make inflammatory statements against the United States Government.

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Information copies are being furnished to offices indicated in view of LITTLE's activities in these cities.

NEW YORK

At New York, New York

Will continue to follow activities of LITTLE in NOI.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

New York, New York
April 30, 1958

Re: Malcolm Little, with aliases;
Malcolm Shabazz, Malcolm X.,
Minister Malcolm, Brother Malcolm

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent
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