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TITLE OF CASE MALCOLM X LITTLE aka Malcolm X Malcolm Shabazz M. Shabazz		REPORT MADE BY [REDACTED] 67C	TYPED BY RJM
		CHARACTER OF CASE SECURITY MATTER - NOI Internal Security - NOI	

SYNOPSIS: JOHN ALI, formerly of New York, attempted without success to establish NOI group [REDACTED] Jacksonville, Fla., during May and June 1958. MALCOLM X, NOI minister of New York City, lectured in Jacksonville evenings of 10/6, 7/58 in order to help re-establish Temple. JEREMIAH X, NOI minister of Atlanta, Ga., lectured in Jacksonville 10/17/58 and was due to lecture 10/26/58 for same purpose. These representatives were to appear Jacksonville 11/2/58 but failed to show.

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AT JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA

I. TEMPLE OF ISLAM ACTIVITIES
Jacksonville, Florida

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b7D [REDACTED] that he had several conversations with JOHN ALI during a period of about two months when ALI resided in that area. He said that ALI claimed to be a Moslem and attempted without any great success to interest some of the people living in that area in attending his religious meetings.

b7D [REDACTED] that MALCOLM X, address Miami Carver Hotel, Room 207, 899 North West Third Avenue, Miami, Florida, directed a letter to the "Florida Tattler," a weekly Negro newspaper, in which MALCOLM stated he had been lecturing for the past two weeks in Miami and Tampa, Florida, and that he planned to spend two days in Jacksonville on October 6 and 7, 1958, in an effort to get the new Moslems there better organized.

b7D [REDACTED] with the letter from MALCOLM X was a news release which described MALCOLM X as being the minister in New York City of the NOI.

b7D [REDACTED] that he attended meeting of the Moslems held on [REDACTED] at the hall located at 612 West Union Street. [REDACTED] and the meeting commenced at approximately 8:30 P.M. The group was addressed by its minister, a Mr. MALCOLM, last name not mentioned. During the discussion by MALCOLM he stated that Christ and all of his disciples were colored and that the white

people would have you looking up to the Bible as if you would get your reward in Heaven while he reported the white people were getting their Heaven now on earth. MALCOLM said that this would come to an end and that at some time a small colored nation in the East would rule the world.

[redacted] that questions were asked by those present about the Bible, which MALCOLM answered.

[redacted] that on the following evening, [redacted] attended a meeting held at the same place and there were some twenty-seven persons in attendance, including about five women. When the meeting opened all were requested to stand up and face the East with their feet at a 45-degree angle. A prayer was offered following which MALCOLM discussed the Bible and ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, the leader of that Moslem group. MALCOLM pointed out that the colored people should be leaders as well as the whites. He said the Moslems did not believe in integration, that Negroes should not be integrated because soon the darker race of people would be the leaders. MALCOLM claimed that ministers of his religion debated with Negro preachers of Protestant faith on the Bible and the other Negro ministers had to agree with the teachings of the Islam ministers.

[redacted] that JEREMIAH X, the minister of the NOI group in Atlanta, Georgia, visited that day in Jacksonville accompanied by JEREMIAH's assistant, THOMAS (last name not mentioned). JEREMIAH and THOMAS, who were enroute to Miami in order to lecture before a Moslem group, were expected back at Jacksonville for a meeting on [redacted]

[redacted] JEREMIAH ordered 500 hand bills from a printing company which announced that he, as minister J. X. SHABAZZ, would be principal speaker on the subject of ELIJAH, the prophet, on [redacted] at 8:00 P.M. at 612 West Union Street.

[redacted] that ISHMAEL SABAKHAN, minister of the NOI, arrived in Jacksonville [redacted] with JEREMIAH X and THOMAS (LNU). [redacted] that an NOI meeting was held that evening at 8:00 P.M. with some thirty persons in attendance. ISHMAEL SABAKHAN was the first speaker, the meeting being opened with all rising and facing the East with arms outstretched and feet at a 45-degree angle. [redacted] ISHMAEL spoke briefly pointing out that people of that faith did not pray to ELIJAH as God but followed ELIJAH MUHAMMAD as the messenger of God. He emphasized the need for Negroes to believe in and follow that faith.

JEREMIAH X was the main speaker, who discussed the basic differences between Negroes, Christians and Moslems. He emphasized the need for unity and believes that all Negroes should follow the teachings of ELIJAH.

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[REDACTED] that during the meet- b7D
ing on the evening of [REDACTED] of the NOI, JEREMIAH X
described the arrival of the Negroes in the United States as
slaves. He insisted that Negroes must keep segregated. He
said the end of time was here for white people. He claimed that
history goes back 6,000 years and said that a prophet comes
every 2,000 years. He described the present prophet as ELIJAH
MUHAMMAD, their leader. JEREMIAH mentioned that every racial
group believes that God is the color of that particular group
but said that the truth is God was a black man. JEREMIAH stated
that white people wrote the Bible and wrote it the way they
want Negroes to understand it. He said that white people have
robbed Negroes deaf, dumb, and blind for 6,000 years and that
most of the colored people you try to tell the truth to would
rather hear good about the whites than what he, JEREMIAH, had
to say.

JEREMIAH announced that the next meeting group would
be held at the same hall but on Sunday afternoon, October 26,
1958. [REDACTED] he was not able to attend the meeting on
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meeting on [REDACTED] b7D

[REDACTED] that a meet-
ing was scheduled for [REDACTED] but that the ministers,
ISHMAEL SABAKHAN and JEREMIAH X, who were to appear, did not
make their appearance and that JAMES HAYES answered several
questions regarding the Bible after which the group was dis-
missed.

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