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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-436332)

FROM: SAC, MIAMI (105-8554) (RUC)

RE: MALCOLM K. LITTLE, aka  
IS - NOI  
(OO: NEW YORK)

CC TO: ...  
REQ. REC'D. ...  
MAY 8 1964  
ANS. BY: ...

Re Miami airtel 3/3/64.

Enclosed for Bureau are ten copies of LHM dated and captioned as above. Two copies are enclosed for New York and one each for Louisville and Chicago.

... said that ... was a guest at the Hampton House at the same time MALCOLM was there. He said ... and MALCOLM were quite friendly. He believed ... was a member of the NOI as ... and MALCOLM referred to each other as "brother." He also based this belief on the fact that ... appeared to follow the dietary laws of the NOI, and as he dressed and kept himself neat and clean as do all NOI members. He also based this belief on the fact that after the LISTON - CLAY fight ... came over and shook hands with MALCOLM and did not appear afraid to be seen with him in public.

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He also said he believed [REDACTED] a Negro recording star from Los Angeles, was a Muslim because of his [REDACTED] friendship with MALCOLM. b7c

Inasmuch as [REDACTED] did not have any more specific information re NOI membership of [REDACTED] this information is not being included in attached LHM. b7c

[REDACTED] said he believed all NOI members from the Miami area were followers of ELLJAH MOHAMMAD and if there should be an open break within that organization they would follow ELLJAH MOHAMMAD rather than MALCOLM X. He said he would keep the Miami Office advised should he receive any further information concerning a break within the NOI. b7c



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

Miami, Florida  
March 9, 1964

Re: MALCOLM K. LITTLE  
INTERNAL SECURITY - NATION OF ISLAM

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] was contacted on March 6, 1964. He said he was assigned to the [REDACTED] but during February, 1964, was on a special assignment with the [REDACTED]. The reason for this assignment was to cover the activities of MALCOLM X while he was in the Miami area.

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[REDACTED] stated that MALCOLM stayed at the Hampton House, 4200 Northwest 27th Avenue, Miami. He stated MALCOLM soon became aware of [REDACTED]. MALCOLM was very nice to him and he, [REDACTED] covered MALCOLM's activities by remaining in close personal contact with him. He stated he attended the LISTON-CLAY fight with MALCOLM with tickets given them by CASSIUS CLAY.

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[REDACTED] stated that during his contact with MALCOLM, they developed a close personal friendship. He said he admired MALCOLM who appeared to him to be an intelligent, honest and sincere individual. MALCOLM openly attempted to recruit [REDACTED] into the Nation of Islam (NOI) and told him that they have several NOI members on the [REDACTED].

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He stated MALCOLM convinced him that the NOI was a nationalistic type organization rather than a hate group. It was opposed to violence although there were some people in the organization who might occasionally become overly emotional and make violent type statements.

The NOI is characterized in the appendix attached hereto.

[REDACTED] stated he got the impression from conversations with MALCOLM that there are two factors within the NOI, one a "New York group," which followed MALCOLM's

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leadership. This group was comprised mainly of the more educated and intelligent Negroes from the eastern part of the U. S. The other "western group" followed the leadership of ELLJAH MOHAMMAD. This group is comprised mainly of uneducated Negroes. [REDACTED] said he himself was thinking of joining the "New York group." He said he told MALCOLM that he might join if he could get a dispensation from the NOI dietary laws. MALCOLM indicated to him that this might be possible in the near future and requested that he wait a short while.

MALCOLM told him that he was not completely opposed to the idea of integration, but that he did not believe integration would solve the problems of the American Negro. He feels the Negroes will be best off as a separate group within the white community. MALCOLM told him he believed in a Negro nationalistic group, and he was trying to instill this within the Negroes in the same way the Zionist movement is attempting to instill nationalistic feelings in the Jewish people.

APPENDIX

1.

NATION OF ISLAM

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

On July 10, 1963, a second source advised 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 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.

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On July 10, 1963, a third source advised 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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