

December 15, 1967

Memorandum

To: Donald W. Bacon
Assistant Commissioner (Compliance)
Internal Revenue Service
Washington, D.C.

From: M. C. Miskovsky
Director of Investigations

Subject: Request for Information on Weapons

We have information that Willie Wright of the United Afro-American Association has possession of a cache of arms including machine guns and automatic weapons. The headquarters of UAAA is located at 402 South 6th Street, Newark, New Jersey.

On November 3, 1967 an investigator of this Commission interviewed Mr. Wright in Newark concerning a newspaper article by Louis E. Lomax which reported that Wright's organization had such a cache. Mr. Wright told the investigator that Lomax's report was true and that Lomax had seen the weapons. Wright told the investigator that the weapons were to be used defensively by the Negro community in the event of another riot.

We request from the Service any information it has on these weapons. This request is made under the provisions of Executive Order 11365 and delegation of authority of 11/14/67, a copy of which was sent to you.

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TO : M. C. Miskovsky

DATE: November 21, 1967

FROM : Haywood L. Perry and John K. Scales

SUBJECT: Evidence of or Information on Manufacture or Storage
of Weapons in Newark, N. J.

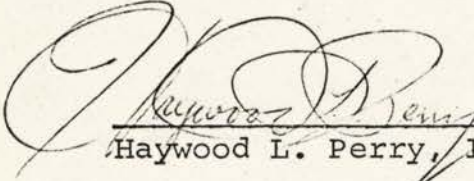
Reference is made to Lee A. Satterfield's interview with Willie Wright on November 3, 1967, page 25, paragraph 1. Satterfield asked Wright to verify the statement made on page 1 of Louis Lomax's column "Newark called a hub for black revolutionaries," as to the presence of a cache of machine guns and carbines in Newark.

Wright advised Satterfield that these weapons are in Newark and that Lomax actually saw them. However, Lomax is the only person outside of Newark who had seen the weapons or who would ever see them.

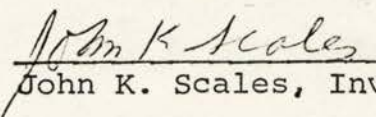
It may be noted that the following interviewees made general (but not first hand) statements to team members as to the existence of such a cache:

Kenneth Gibson, Employee at United Community Corp.
Donald James, Social Worker
Joseph Stulb, Assistant, Queen of Angels; President
Newark Priests Group; Former Chairman, Area Board No. 2.

See also attached memorandum of interview ^{by} Theodore Chamberlain's of an anonymous person, dated October 5, 1967, (Team Report, Part III).



Haywood L. Perry, Investigator



John K. Scales, Investigator

Enclosure:
As stated



Newark

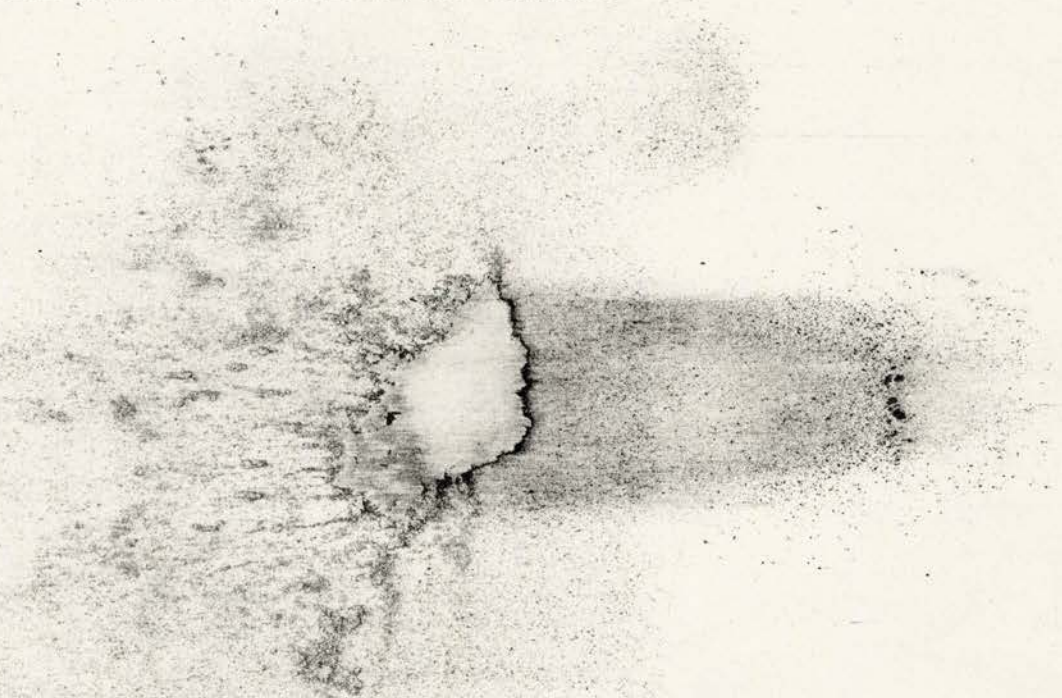
October 5, 1967

Interviewer: Theodore Chamberlain

Interviewee: "Anonymous Person"

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The interview is anonymous because this person so wished it. I was introduced this, shall we say, man by someone in whom I have trust, and I believe this anonymous person. He said that he saw in the ghetto a roomful of boxes of new rifles, boxes of new pistols, barrels of ammunition and at least one case of hand grenades, which in his own words were enough to fight the war in Vietnam for two days. However, the room, we finally agreed, was approximately 10 by 12 feet and stacked some eight feet high. He said the people that showed him the ammunition were bargaining to buy two machine guns. He believes these arms are intended ~~in~~ for defense.



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December 12, 1967

Mr. Donald W. Bacon
Assistant Commissioner (Compliance)
Internal Revenue Service
1111 Constitution Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20224

Dear Mr. Bacon:

The National Advisory Commission on Civil Disorders has received information indicating the possession of firearms by some extremist groups in violation of the National Firearms Act. For example, Robert DePugh, leader of the Minutemen, and some of his associates were convicted in the U.S. District Court in Kansas City, Missouri in November, 1966.

I would appreciate the benefit of any information developed by the Alcohol and Tobacco Division of Internal Revenue Service concerning the possession of firearms by extremist groups -- with special emphasis on their use or possible use in connection with the riots which occurred in 1967 or any riots in the future.

For the completion of your records, I enclose a copy of the document by which Chairman Kerner delegated authority to me to make specific requests of various

departments and agencies for information and assistance deemed necessary to carry out Commission functions as set forth in Executive Order 11365.

Sincerely,

M. C. Miskovsky
Director of Investigations

Enclosure

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November 22, 1967

Mr. Harold E. Snyder
Director, Collection Division
Internal Revenue Service
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Snyder:

I have your letter of November 13. The Chairman of the Commission has delegated authority to request information to me. A copy of that delegation is attached. I trust this is sufficient for your purposes.

Sincerely,

M. C. Miskovsky
Director
Office of Investigations

Enclosure

cc: Mr. Donald W. Bacon
Assistant Commissioner (Compliance)
Internal Revenue Service
Washington, D. C.

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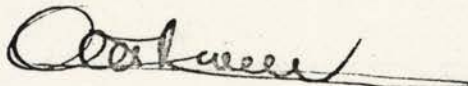
November 14, 1967

Mr. Milan Miskovsky
Director of Investigation
National Advisory Commission
on Civil Disorders
1016 16th Street, N.W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Miskovsky:

By virtue of the authority vested in me as Chairman of the National Advisory Commission on Civil Disorders by section 3 of Executive Order 11365, I hereby designate you as my delegate to make specific requests of the various departments and agencies, for the information and assistance deemed necessary to carry out Commission functions as set forth in Executive Order 11365.

Sincerely,



OTTO KERNER
Chairman

October 27, 1967

Mr. Donald W. Bacon
Assistant Commissioner (Compliance)
Internal Revenue Service
1111 Constitution Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20224

Dear Mr. Bacon:

As I mentioned to you at our meeting on Wednesday, October 25, the Commission is seeking certain information on concerted action in connection with civil disorders which occurred last summer. Pursuant to Section 3 of Executive Order 11365, I would like to request information from Internal Revenue Service on one Lucy Montgomery, reportedly a resident of the Chicago area who has given money to H. Rap Brown. As I said on Wednesday, we have no further information on Lucy Montgomery. Should we receive any further information, we shall forward it to you.

Sincerely,

M. C. Miskovsky
Director of Investigations

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