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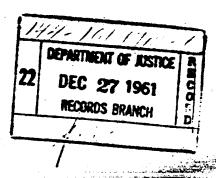
Telephone calls to and from Albany, Georgia, relating to Demonstrations and Arrests of Negroes (December 12, 13, 14 and 15).

The following telephone calls were all made on Friday afternoon, December 15, 1961, 42:45 p.m., call to 🐂, Albany, Georgia.

At the request of Mr. Burke Marshall, I phoned to find out the status of the negotiations being carried on between representatives of the Negro and white community regarding recent arrest of Negroes.

told me that it appeared that the white negotiators had agreed on two points: (1) They would release all of the persons arrested (except Slater King) between December 12-14, who had taken part in the demonstration, (2) A bi-racial board would be established to meet in the future to work out racial problems.

said that matters which had not been agreed upon were whether Slater King could be released from jail on bond on his own signature or whether he could perhaps be pardoned or have his sentence suspended and the disposition to be made of the eleven "freedom riders" who were arrested on Sunday, December 10th. said that these eleven persons arrested on Sunday, December 10th consisted of nine of the eleven freedom riders and in addition thereto two local people making a total of eleven persons arrested. The Negro negotiators wanted these eleven persons released on their own recognizance. The white negotiators have not made any commitments nor have they made any indications that would tain the idea of releasing these eleven persons on bond.



requested that "Bob Kennedy" call the Mayor of Albany and the City Commission which were then in session and see if the remaining differences could not be resolved. I told that I would pass on the substance of his conversation to Mr. Marshall and that I would phone him back later.

4:25 p.m. - phoned me. I told him that Mr. Marshall was tied up in a hearing in another part of the building and that I wasn't certain what he haddone but that I had passed on to him the teners of my last conversation with advised me that the Mayor and Commissioners were still in session and he had nothing further to report.

4:50 p.m. - Phoned me and said that he had just received a report that Slater King was being beaten up in the city jail. I told that he ought to be sure of his facts on this and asked him what was being done on the local level to determine whether this was or was not correct. He said that Attorneys Donald Hollowell and C. B. King were going over to the jail to check up on this. told that I would pass this information along to Mr. Marshall and requested on to please have Mr. Hollowell or Mr. King call me as soon as they got back from the jail to let me know what had happened. seemed unduly excited in his conversation with me and I had serious doubts concerning the accuracy of his report since he could give me very few facts. I immediately passed this information on to Mr. Marshall.)

5:45 p.m. - I phoned to determine the status of the Slater King matter. He told me that Messrs. Hollowell and King had been to the jail and seen Slater King and he was all right. Said that the Chief of Police had told him that an employee of the jail had pushed Slater King back against the bars of his jail cell bumping Slater King's head; that the employee had been immediately fired by the Chief of Police. I asked if the injury to Slater King had knocked him out and he said no that appeared to be all right.

Luther King to arrive in Albany by 7 p.m. that evening. He said that he felt that the Mayor and City Council were stalling. I told him to keep me advised of the local situation.

RASSI DAVID POLISH, D.H.L., D.D. BETH EMET THE FREE SYNAGOGUE EN. III. SOLIO 1200 LEE STREET EVANSTON, ILLINOIS December 19, 1961 #9344 Mr. Robert Kennedy Attorney General Washington, D. C. Dear Mr. Kennedy: Like many American citizens, I am shocked and dismayed at the treatment accorded to Dr. Martin Luther King and his associates in Albany, Georgia. The flagrant and vicious treatment to which they have been subjected is an outrage to the conscience of America. I call upon you to exercise your official prerogatives to the end, not only that Dr. King and his associates will be released but that this kind of persecution is combatted and decisively repudiated by legal means. The action of the officials of Albany, Georgia is a deliberate defiance of basic human rights. You have already shown through your office how this kind of defiance can be contested, and I hope that a strong demonstration of determined action in this case will not only show our government's concern in this matter but will contribute to discourage the bigots in our midst. With all good wishes, I am Sincerely yours, 144-101-1941-9 SENAR SERIES BUSTICE DEC 21 196 1 RECORN BRASS

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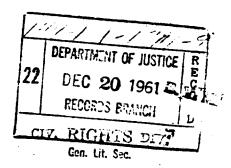
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DATE: Dec. 20. 1961

FROM :

. John Barrett, Second Assistant,

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Civil Rights Division

SUBJECT:

Police arrests at bus and

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railroad terminals

Yesterday I received a telephone call from
, of the FBI, regarding our investigative request of December 14, 1961, in this case.
He inquired whether, in view of the agreement
reached between the contending factions in Albany
and the further negotiations which were planned
in that city, we desired the investigation to proceed.

After checking with Mr. Marshall I telephoned and advised him that the investigation should be held in abeyance.

CC: Mr. Murphy
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Washington 25, D. C. Dear Sir:

The Attorney General United States of America

I, an american citizen of the United States of America, am writing this letter in reference to the situation that is going on in Albany, Georgia. It is really pathetic to have ustion that is going on in Georgia.

I am appealing to you to please do something about the matters in Georgia. I am asking you to please send the Federal Marshals.

Sincerely,

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Attorney General United States of America Washington, D. C. #19344

Dear Sir:

I will not try and make this a fancy letter with lots of words. I'm a poor working Negro and have a heavy heart when I read and see pictures of our negros being jailed because they kneel down to pray in Georgia.

Please sir, I beg of you, to send Federal Troops down in Georgia to help our people.

I know you are a busy man, but want you please help us. We need it badly.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

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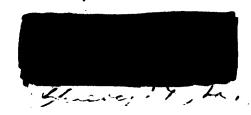
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