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**3/11/65 - 3/13/65**

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Brief description of activity or material

Advance information regarding OKKK leadership meeting at Baton Rouge, 3/12/65 and rally to be held Hamburg, Arkansas, 3/13/65. Also location of  alleged to be in Selma, Ala.

File where original is located if not attached

Remarks:

Little Rock advised of rally by teletype 3/11/65, in New Orleans file 105-1057. Baton Rouge Resident Agency advised of Klan meeting by phone 3/11/65.

1 - 105-1057 (OKKK, Louisiana)  
1 - 137-   
1 - 157-   
1 - 157- (OKKK, Baton Rouge)  
1 - 157-1300 (ROBERT FULLER)

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March 11, 1965

On March 11, 1965, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] to Baton Rouge, Louisiana, to attend a Klan leadership meeting to be held in Baton Rouge at the Belmont Hotel on the night of March 12, 1965.

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[ ROBERT FULLER had stated that the North Louisiana faction of the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan planned to hold an out-door rally at an unknown location in Hamburg, Arkansas, on Saturday night, March 13, 1965, at 7:00 PM. FULLER stated that Klan members from units at Monticello, Crossett, Hamburg and possibly a new unit from another town in Arkansas would attend. The Louisiana group planned to take a large number of men up to Arkansas to attend this meeting and all were instructed to meet at the Kent Hotel in Hamburg from where they would be directed to the location of the rally. ]

[REDACTED] was in Winnsboro, Louisiana, on the morning of March 10, 1965 and did not have any plans to go to Selma, Alabama, as of that date and was also in Winnsboro, Louisiana, at Noon on March 11, 1965.

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Brief description of activity or material:

State meeting of four klan factions of OKKKK at Baton Rouge 3/12/65; identity of leaders of each faction; brief information regarding Hamburg, Arkansas rally 3/13/65 and other klan units in Monroe area.

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Remarks: Source is of unknown reliability although source has furnished reliable information in the past.

Info re klan rally at Hamburg, Ark. 3/13/65 was disseminated to Little Rock Office on 3/11/65.

2-Little Rock (105-89)  
 1-105-1057 (OKKKK)  
 1-105-687 (UKA)  
 1-157-RUSSELL MC GEE  
 1-157-MURRAY MARTIN  
 1-157-CHESTER COCKER  
 1-157-GRADY WILDER  
 1-157-DURWOOD WILHITE  
 1-157-BILLY SKIPPER  
 1-157-FNU FORD  
 1-157-LOY W. SCARBOROUGH  
 1-157-JAMES E. NEVELS  
 1-157-HOUSTON MORRIS  
 1-157-WILLIS J. KIDD  
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1-157-LAVERT STRAHAN  
 1-157-FNU CHRISTMAS  
 1-157-FNU MORGAN  
 1-157-OKKKK, SWARTZ UNIT  
 1-157-Unknown man with FNU MORGAN  
 1-157-JUDGE JOHN RARICK  
 1-157-R. O. MC CRANE  
 1-157-COURTNEY SMITH  
 ①-157-1300 (ROBERT FULLER)  
 1-157-FRANCES FULLER  
 1-157 FNU TANNER  
 1-157-T. J. WILLIAMS  
 157-2770 (Winnfield Unit #1)  
 1-157-2778 (Winnfield Unit #2)  
 1-157-2736 (OKKKK, Columbia Unit)

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March 15, 1965

On March 12, 1965, a meeting of the leaders of the four factions of the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (OKKKK), Realm of Louisiana, was held at the Belmont Motel in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. This meeting began in Suite 442, which was occupied by Russell McGee, and was called for the purpose of discussing the possibility of reuniting the OKKKK factions in the state under one head or at least to have a coordinator for the four factions.

Present at the meeting were the following representing the MURRAY MARTIN faction of Winnsboro, Louisiana:

MURRAY H. MARTIN, State Grand Dragon

CHESTER COCKER, Winnsboro, La.

GRADY WILDER, Jena, Louisiana

DURWOOD WILHITE, Tallulah, Louisiana

BILLY SKIPPER, Baton Rouge, Louisiana

(FNU) FORD, East Baton Rouge Parish (big fat man who is organizer)

LOY W. SCARBOROUGH, secret member from Monroe, La., who is an investigator for the State Sovereignty Commission

JAMES E. NEVELS, East Baton Rouge Parish, telephone 775-7106, who acted as guard at the door during meeting.



Representing the HOUSTON MORRIS faction of  
Monroe, Louisiana area:

HOUSTON MORRIS, self-appointed Imperial  
Wizard of the Original Ku Klux Klan of  
America, Inc.

WILLIE J. KIDD, Swartz, La.

Representing the Washington Parish-Bogalusa faction:

RUSSELL MC GEE

LAVERT STRAHAN

(FNU) CHRISTMAS

Representing the Coushatta, Louisiana group:

(FNU) MORGAN, an elderly man

An unknown man in his mid-40's, balding,  
did not speak at the meeting.

The meeting began and the discussion immediately  
centered around HOUSTON MORRIS and when several objections  
were raised to MORRIS' activities, a heated argument began  
between MORRIS and some of those present. At this point  
it was suggested that they go into executive session, at  
which time the meeting was adjourned and most of those  
present went to Room 440, occupied by LOY SCARBOROUGH.  
During the first meeting several people had dropped in,  
including Judge JOHN RARICK, R. O. MC CRANE, a member  
of the La. State Sovereignty Commission, and COURTNEY  
SMITH, Citizens Council leader, although klan matters  
were not discussed while they were in the room. After  
the executive session was convened, JAMES E. NEVELS guarded

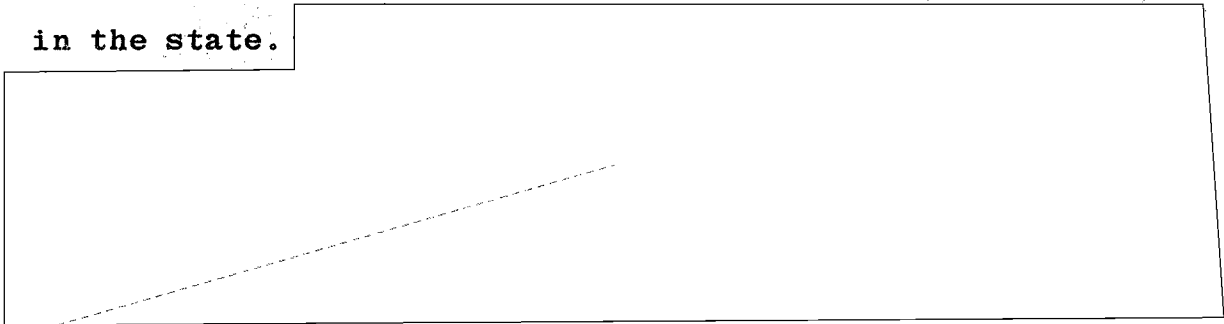
At this meeting several accusations were made against HOUSTON MORRIS. He was criticized for coming out in the open with his klan group and there was unanimous agreement against this policy by all other factions present. MORRIS was also accused of being an FBI informant and was questioned closely concerning his source of income. At one point WILLIS J. KIDD attempted to defend MORRIS by stating that he had furnished some money toward MORRIS' activities but then KIDD was also questioned as to where he got enough money to support two families. MORRIS was weak in his arguments of denial and defense against the accusations and at one point the discussion became so heated that MORRIS and SCARBOROUGH had to be separated to prevent a fist fight between them.

It became obvious that this was nothing more than a trial directed against MORRIS and nothing else was discussed. The meeting broke up with the obvious feeling by all that MORRIS was rejected by all present and also that no agreement among the factions could be reached as long as MORRIS was included. FOIA(b)(7) - (D)

[REDACTED] that they were trying to decide whether to kill MORRIS or just give him a good beating, however, it had been decided that no action would be taken other than to

depose him and to eliminate him from any further state meetings.

SCARBOROUGH, a secret member of the klan who was sworn in by ROBERT FULLER, former state KBI chief, was asked by MURRAY MARTIN to attend this meeting as a possible choice for state leader or coordinator for the klan groups in the state.



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MARTIN made the statement that he and RUSSELL MC GEE could probably never get together in a consolidation move as MARTIN was afraid he would not get enough votes to maintain his position. MARTIN also expressed his strong opposition to ever coming out in the open with klan activities or identity of membership.

ROBERT FULLER did not attend the above meeting but recently stated that he and HOUSTON MORRIS were not getting along too well. After the rally held in Hamburg, Ark. on the night of 3/13/65 FULLER stated that he and MORRIS had an argument at the rally over handling of the proceedings there. FULLER and his wife FRANCES drove to Hamburg to the rally and there were allegedly only about 14 male and 12 female members of the Arkansas unit which

showed up at the rally. ] (FNU) TANNER, owner of a drive-in at Rayville, La. was also at the rally. A number of the members of the United Klans from the Monroe area were also in attendance according to FULLER.

FULLER also stated that TANNER had assured him that if a split occurred between FULLER and MORRIS that the Rayville group would go with FULLER. FULLER also remarked that WILLIS J. KIDD was formerly Secretary of the Sterlington Unit of the OKKKK but had brought charges against the EC, T. J. WILLIAMS, and as a result WILLIAMS was supported by the unit and KIDD then formed a new unit at Swartz, La. near his home. This unit has been in operation since about October, 1964.

There is apparently no activity by klan units in Caldwell or Winn Parishes as both FULLER and MARTIN have stated they have no contact with the former units in those parishes.

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Meeting of OKKKK held 3/13/65, at Bogalusa,		3/13/65
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Remarks:		

2-Jackson (RM)

- 1- 105-1057 (OKKKK)
- 1- 157-1319 (BOGALUSA)
- 1- 157-3129 (O. V. DUNAWAY)
- 1- 157-2926 (ARVIS WARNER)
- 1- 157-SAMMY COTHERN
- 1- 157-3001 (HAMMY LANE)
- 1- 157-3235 (MARVIN FOSTER)
- 1- 157-FNU SWILLEY
- 1- 157-1372 (HOUSTON MORRIS)
- 1- 157-1300 (ROBERT FULLER)
- 1- 157-GLENN RAY DUNAWAY
- 1- 157-3351 (PAUL COONE)
- 1- 157-3137 (HULON DUNAWAY)

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On March 13, 1965, a meeting of the OKKKK was held at the Disabled Veterans Hall at Bogalusa, Louisiana and was attended by about 35 individuals. This meeting was run by O. V. DUNAWAY who stated that Mr. SWILLEY is now making the robes and hoods for the Klan for \$6.50 a piece and that SWILLEY is currently in the hospital. It was announced at this meeting that 3 members from each Unit in Washington Parish would meet on March 14, 1965, in order to elect an individual to handle all of the Klan finances for the Parish and that this meeting was to take place at Angie, Louisiana.

[ HULON DUNAWAY made the statement that he went to a meeting of the Louisiana Citizens Council held on March 12, 1965, at the Belmont Motor Motel at Baton Rouge, Louisiana, and that he had observed HOUSTON MORRIS and ROBERT FULLER from north Louisiana at the meeting. He did not further amplify on this Citizens Council meeting but stated that after this meeting, the Klansmen got together and held a meeting of their own, and that as a result of this meeting, attempts would be made to organize Klan Units in Mississippi.

The following individuals were observed at this meeting:

GLENN RAY DUNAWAY, who acted as a guard.

HULON DUNAWAY

ARVIS WARNER

"SONNY" COTHERN

PAUL COONE

HAMMY LANE

MARVIN FOSTER

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Brief description of activity or material      3/5/65 to  
3/11/65  
UKA, prevented from burning crosses at      File where original  
Jonesboro, La., 3/10/65. UKA meet at      located if not  
Monroe, La., 3/7/65, and Chatham, La.,      attached.  
3/11/65, set out.     

Remarks:      FOIA(b)(7) - (D)

It being noted airtels inclosing letterhead memos  
sent to Bureau concerning proposed cross burning at  
Jackson (Negro) High School on 3/10/65 under NO file 157-3636,  
RM.

2: LITTLE ROCK (RM)  
(Jimmy Reagan)

1: 105-687 (UKA, State of La.)  
1: 157-Dead (COY NEAL)  
1- 157-2680  
1: 157-2909  
1: 157-3238  
1: 157-2913  
1: 157-2890  
1: 157-3618  
1: 157- (LEE HALLORAN)  
1: 157-3598  
1: 157- (HUBERT HOLLINGSWORTH)

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1:   
1: 157-3318  
1: 157- (ERNEST RHODEN)  
1: 157- (JOE SMITH)  
1: 157-2164  
1: 157- (BILL MCGEE)  
1: 157-2915  
1: 157- (SHERIFF NEWT T. LOE)  
1: 157-3320  
1: 157- (FNU MARTIN)  
1: 157- (CLYDE BAILEY)  
1: 157- (JIMMY BAILEY)  
1: 157-2592  
1: 157-2893  
1: 157-2875  
1: 157-2880  
1: 157-2876  
1: 157- (CALHOUN UNIT, UKA)  
1: 157-2864  
1: 157-2874  
1: 105-1057 (OKKKK, State of La.)  
1: 157- (JOHN GAINES)  
1: 157-2911  
1: 157-3279  
1: 157- (JIMMY THORNHILL)  
1: -157-3282  
1: 157- (CECIL LNU)  
1: 157- (MARVIN WARD)  
1: 157-44  
1: 157- (ROBERT FULLER) 157-1300 \*  
1: 157- (PAT TULLOS)  
1: 157- (JERRY HAYES)  
1: 157- (JOHN GAINES)

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March 22, 1965

On March 6, 1965, a meeting of the United Klans of America (UKA) was held at the residence of TOMMY REGAN, 319 Hickory Street, West Monroe, Louisiana. The following Klansmen were present:

TOMMY REGAN

JIMMY REGAN

COY NEAL

SHERMAN ALLEN

HENRY C. SALLEY

LUTHER S. CHAPMAN

ERNEST COON

LEE HALLORAN

HALLORAN is not a member of the UKA but is president of the Citizens Council in Monroe, Louisiana.

REGAN stated that the UKA would now begin training by taking Judo lessons. REGAN stated that he had contacted MARVIN WARD, a Judo instructor in Jackson, Mississippi, who had agreed to train individuals at \$3.00 a lesson. REGAN advised the Klan would begin Judo lessons on Saturday, March 6, 1965, and continue until they achieved expert status.

The above Klansmen drove to the American Legion Hall in West Monroe, Louisiana, and there received basic Judo lessons from MARVIN WARD. WARD advised it would take three to six months before they could achieve beginner status.

On March 7, 1965, a meeting of the Titan Committee was held at the home of TOMMY REGAN. The following Klansmen were present at this meeting:

COY NEAL

HENRY C. SALLEY

LUTHER S. CHAPMAN

TOMMY REGAN

JIMMY REGAN

BILL WINDAM

ERNEST COON

SHERMAN ALLEN

REGAN stated that the election of the UKA would be held in Alexandria, Louisiana, on March 20, 1965. He stated that he had contacted GIL HARRIS on March 4, 1965, who had advised him that the FBI had informants in the Monroe Klan. REGAN stated that HARRIS was simply putting the blame on REGAN in hopes that he would be discredited in his bid

for election as Grand Dragon, State of Louisiana. REGAN stated LEON SMUDRICK had resigned his position as Secretary-Treasurer of the Monroe Unit because he did not feel the UKA should organize a ladies auxiliary in the Monroe - West Monroe area. REGAN stated that he has long suspected SMUDRICK of furnishing information to the Monroe Police Department. He advised SMUDRICK had stated to him that he was going to Lake Charles, Louisiana, for the purpose of finding work.

REGAN stated that members of the Titan Committee must endeavor to contact as many Klan units as possible within the next two weeks in order to insure his election as Grand Dragon. He said emphasis should be placed on the fact that JAMES EDWARDS, Grand Dragon, refused to come out into the open and state the UKA's position to the people of Louisiana.

REGAN instructed BILL WINDAM to proceed to Winnsboro, Louisiana, and contact HUBERT HOLLINGSWORTH who is presently organizing a UKA unit in that city and advise him to bring his membership up to charter strength and have his dues paid up so that he would be eligible to vote his unit in favor of REGAN in the forthcoming election.

[REDACTED]

contacting GIL HARRIS. The reason for this contact was to determine how many units were active in the 5th Congressional District and to determine if their dues were paid up.

HARRIS advised the above Klansmen of the following units in the 5th Congressional District:

BERNICE

JONESBORO

CHATHAM

CALHOUN

MONROE

WEST MONROE

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HARRIS said the Monroe unit was behind in dues the sum of \$1.00. He said the Jonesboro unit was behind in dues the sum of \$93.75.

HARRIS refused to identify units in the 8th Congressional District and also refused to identify units surrounding the New Orleans area.

[REDACTED]

He stated the Klan should show more loyalty towards its leaders.

[REDACTED]



On the night of March 8, 1965, a meeting of the Monroe unit of the UKA was held at the home of LEE HALLORAN. The following Klansmen were present:

COY NEAL, EC

SHERMAN ALLEN, Assistant EC

LEON SMUDRICK, Secretary-Treasurer

JOE SMITH, Chaplain

JIMMY THORNHILL

ERNEST RHODEN

HERBERT BERRY

JOHN GAINES, new member.

The meeting began with COY NEAL stating that dues would be increased to \$5.00 a month for the purpose of setting up a Legal Defense Fund in the event the UKA attempted further picketing at the Paramount Theatre, Monroe, Louisiana. NEAL stated that this money would also be used for the purpose of building a Klavern Building.

LEON SMUDRICK advised NEAL that he was formally resigning from the Klan because he thought the formation of a ladies auxiliary in the Monroe - West Monroe area was unconstitutional.

On March 9, 1965, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] were driving to Jonesboro, Louisiana for the purpose of contacting the Mayor in that city to determine if he needed UKA help in stopping Negroes from demonstrating at the Jackson High School (Negro). [REDACTED] declined to go because he thought there were too many Klansmen who would be seen talking to the Mayor of Jonesboro.

On March 10, 1965, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] that the UKA would burn a total of eight crosses in the Negro section of Jonesboro on March 10, 1965. [REDACTED] said they would burn one 8' and two 6' crosses in front of the Negro high school, and would burn two crosses in front of the CORE headquarters and burn three more crosses throughout the Negro section. [REDACTED] stated the purpose of these cross burnings was to let the Negro know the Klan was still present and ready to take action should they press their demands for integration of the white high school at Jonesboro.

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On the night of March 10, 1965, the following Klansmen left for Monroe, Louisiana, for the purpose of burning crosses in Jonesboro, Louisiana:

[REDACTED]

The crosses were carried in [REDACTED] truck, [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] truck.

The above Klansmen stopped outside of Jonesboro and [REDACTED] drove through town where he was stopped by a Deputy Sheriff of the Jackson Parish Sheriff's Office.



[ ] showed his UKA identification card to the deputy sheriff who immediately stated that he had better call Doc EDWARDS because there was big trouble awaiting the Klan in Jonesboro. This deputy Sheriff whose first name was CECIL, advised there were 12 FBI Agents waiting for the Klan in the Negro section of Jonesboro. This deputy sheriff is described as white male, 150-160 pounds, 6'2", age 25 to 26, thin build. [ ] drove outside the town of Jonesboro and contacted his fellow Klansmen. The above Klansmen then drove back into Jonesboro for the purpose of calling EDWARDS. They were stopped by Chief of Police (FNU) PEEVY who stated the FBI was waiting for the Klan and they had better get out of town. PEEVY stated the FBI knew how many were coming and where they were going to burn the crosses. The above Klansmen then proceeded to Tichenor's Service Station where they conversed with Sheriff NEWT LOE. LOE stated they had better shift the crosses into two trucks because they were showing in [ ] truck and could be seen by the FBI. He said there must be an informant in Jonesboro, Louisiana, because the FBI had not notified him of the proposed cross burnings before

5:30 p.m., March 10, 1965. Shortly after they talked to J. M. EDWARDS. He said there were eight FBI Agents waiting for them in the Negro quarter and would arrest them if they attempted to burn the crosses. He advised they call EDWARDS as soon as possible regarding the incident.

The above Klanmembers proceeded to the Tiger Lanes, a bowling alley located outside the City of Jonesboro. [ ] attempted to call JAMES EDWARDS but was unsuccessful. He did contact BILL MC GEE who is an officer of the Jonesboro unit who stated that he did not think there was an informant in Jonesboro since he knew his people too well. He said the FBI had probably tapped JAMES EDWARDS' telephone and thereby alerted of the cross burnings.

The above Klansmen then departed from Jonesboro en route to Monroe. It was suggested by [ ] while passing through Chatham, Louisiana, that the crosses be burned in that city. [ ] stated that this would not be a good idea because the FBI was probably following them.

On March 11, 1965, [ ]  
[ ]  
attending the Chatham unit meeting of the UKA. Present at this meeting were approximately six to seven Klanmembers.

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L. TRUELOVE, EC, MAJOR HICHMAN, LECTURER, (FNU) MARTIN, JIMMY BAILEY, and CLYDE BAILEY were present. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] that J. A. DAVIS had completely resigned from the Klan and had submitted his formal resignation to the state board in Jonesboro, Louisiana. TRUELOVE and the Chatham UKA members were extremely excited because someone had stolen their constitution and charter from the Klan meeting place. TRUELOVE stated they believed the FBI snuck into the Klan meeting place and stole their charter and constitution. [REDACTED]

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TRUELOVE stated that his unit would probably vote for TOMMY REGAN inasmuch as DOC EDWARDS had done very little to further the Klan in the State of Louisiana.

JIMMY BAILEY and CLYDE BAILEY stated they now reside in Monroe and consequently would like to join the Monroe unit of the UKA.

Following this meeting, in which Truelove stated that if something did not happen the Chatham unit would completely fold up. [REDACTED]

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Brief description of activity or material Details of Monroe meetings, State Board meeting and Ruston Unit. Details of OKKKK rally 2-6-65 set out.		File where original is located if not attached <div></div>

Remarks:

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- 1 - 105-1057 (OKKKK, LA.)
  - 1 - 105-6877 (UKA, LA.)
  - 1 - 157-Dead (COY B. NEAL)
  - 1 - 157-Dead (JOSEPH V. SMITH)
  - 1 - 157-Dead (NELSON TEW)
  - 1 - 157-Dead (EARNEST "BUDDY" RHODES)
  - 1 - 157-Dead (JIMMY THORNHILL)
  - 1 - 157-Dead (SHERMAN ALLEN)
  - 1 - 157-Dead (CHARLES NUGGENT)
  - 1 - 157-Dead (BILL WINDAM)
  - 1 - 157-2164 (JAMES M. EDWARDS)
  - 1 - 157-2605 (NEW ORLEANS UNIT, UKA)
  - 1 - 157-2875 (MONROE UNIT, UKA)
  - 1 - 157-2877 (MARION UNIT, UKA)
  - 1 - 157-2890 (LUTHER S. CHAPMAN)
  - 1 - 157-2878 (HICO-DUBACH UNIT, UKA)
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1 - 157-2864 (BERNICE UNIT, UKA)  
1 - 157-Dead (VAUGHN LAMBERT)  
1 - 157-2866 (DALE GOSS)  
1 - 157-2900 (L.W. HODNETT)  
1 - 157-2592 (WILLIAM HICKMAN)  
1 - 157-Dead (L.L. TRUELOVE)  
1 - 157-2860 (TOMMY REAGAN)  
1 - 157-2598 (GIL HARRIS)  
1 - 157-2903 (DENLEY INGRAM)  
1 - 157-2913 (HENRY C. SALLEY)  
1 - 157- (HOUSTON MORRIS)  
1 - 157-1731 (RUSSELL PRICE)  
1 - 157-1721 (JAMES OLIVER)  
1 - 157- (ROBERT "ABE" ALLEN)  
1 - 157- (TERRY HAYES)  
1 - 157-1300 (ROBERT FULLER)  
1 - 157-2791 (JACK M. HELM)  
1 - 157- (W.T. KIDD)  
1 - 157-Dead (BUTCH COON)  
1 - 157-2911 (LEON SMUDRICK)  
1 - 157-Dead (GRADY BLOCKNER)  
1 - 157- (W.D. GAY)

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1 - 157- (MARVIN HOLLINSWORTH)  
1 - 157-Dead (FLOYD KELLY)  
1 - 157- (GILBERT WALTERS)  
1 - 157-2909 (JIMMY REAGAN)  
2 - Jackson (RM) (E.L. MC DANIEL)  
2 - Little Rock (RM) (JOHN JOHNSON) (JIMMY REAGAN)  
2 - Birmingham (RM) (ROBERT SHELTON)

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On February 1, 1965, a meeting of the Monroe Unit of the United Klans of America was held at the home of EARNEST BUDDY RHODES, Humble Circle, Monroe, Louisiana. The meeting began at 8:00 PM and the following members were present:

COY NEAL, Exalted Cyclops;

SHERMAN ALLEN, Assistant Exalted Cyclops;

NEALSON TEW;

JOSEPH V. SMITH;

JIMMY THORNHILL;

LEON SMUDRICK, Secretary-Treasurer.

The meeting began with NEAL stating that CHARLES NUGENT, BILL WINDAM and LEON SMUDRICK had attended the Citizens Council meeting held at Alexandria, Louisiana, regarding the State Board of Education receiving Federal funds, based on the ~~desegregation of~~ public schools and institutions throughout Louisiana. SMUDRICK spoke and stated that the Citizens Council, which is made up mainly of Ku Klux Klansmen, were totally against acceptance of Federal funds and stated that they would set up petitions to recall any State or Local Education Board member who signed to this agreement.

COY NEAL then stated that the members were not paying their dues and consequently the Unit was running in the red. He stated that the Unit and other Units throughout the state must pay up their dues in order to vote for TOMMY

REAGAN as Grand Dragon in the forthcoming election to be held

in March of 1965. He said that each Unit had one vote and they could not vote unless their dues were paid up. COY NEAL then issued new membership cards, which he had received at Tuscaloosa, Alabama, from ROBERT SHELTON, to the members who had their dues paid up. NEAL stated that the United Klansmen throughout the State of Louisiana would not be able to participate in the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan rally to be held at Rayville, Louisiana, on February 6, 1965; as the constitution of the United Klans of America prevented active participation of United Klan members in other Klan rallies. He did state, however, that members of the United Klans of America could go to the rally in the position of observers if they wished to do so. NEAL stated that the Unit would meet on February 8, 1965 and, prior to the meeting, all members would meet at the S & S Drive-Inn, Monroe, Louisiana, and from there receive directions as to where the meeting would be held. The meeting terminated at 9:15 PM.

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[REDACTED] stated that a meeting was scheduled for the weekend of February 13-14, 1965 at New Orleans, Louisiana. REAGAN advised that three Units of the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan were ready to be sworn in as United Klans of America members. He stated

these three Units were located at LeCount, Louisiana; Bogalusa, Louisiana; and Slidell, Louisiana. REAGAN stated that he would not swear these Units into the United Klans of America until just prior to the election on March 20, 1965 and, therefore, would obtain three votes for his own election as Grand Dragon without EDWARDS knowing that these three Units existed.

REAGAN stated that the New Orleans United Klans of America Unit was using a Private Investigator to check out new members, particularly in view of obvious FBI attempts to penetrate the Unit and also the American Nazi Party attempting to gain membership. He stated that the New Orleans Unit had done very well in the past and had actually sent one hundred dollars in cash to E.L. MC DANIEL, Grand Dragon, State of Mississippi, in order to help the twenty-one arrested white people who are being held for the slaying of the three Civil Rights workers last summer.

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that there were twenty-eight to thirty active members in this Unit and that there were two or three members of the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan located in Marion who were trying to bring this Unit into the Old Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan.



On February 5, 1965, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] drove to Dubach, Louisiana, in order to attend the Unit meeting of the Dubach Unit. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] that ten members showed up at the meeting and were extremely unhappy over their treatment by the State Board and also the Bernice Unit of the United Klans of America. [REDACTED] said the members of the Dubach Unit wanted to know why they were not getting the United Klans of America literature from the state leadership. They further stated they were not getting their monthly news letter, put out by Doctor EDWARDS. [REDACTED] stated that they wanted TOMMY REAGAN to talk to them regarding Doctor EDWARDS and whether he should remain as Grand Dragon of the State of Louisiana. They further advised that, inasmuch as he was not doing anything to further the cause of the Ku Klux Klan, that he should be disposed of and REAGAN placed in his position. [REDACTED] REAGAN had been advised of what the Dubach Unit stated and stated that he would travel to Dubach and try to patch up the disagreement between the Dubach and Bernice Units of the United Klans and also attempt to obtain the Unit vote in the forthcoming election.

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On February 5, 1965, at 8:00 PM, a meeting was held at Ruston, Louisiana, of the United Klans of America State Board. Prior to the beginning of the meeting, a search was conducted of the meeting place, located between Ruston and Farmerville, Louisiana, in order to locate a microphone. The reason for this search was that the FBI in Junction City, Arkansas, had contacted two JOHNSONS in the area and interviewed them regarding his attending a State Board meeting at Ruston, Louisiana. The United Klan felt that there was not an informant located at the State Board meeting, but a microphone, inasmuch as the FBI seemed mixed up and interviewed both JOHNSONS. It appears the FBI questioned the wrong JOHNSON regarding the State Board meeting prior to questioning the right JOHNSON. Present at the State Board meeting was JAMES M. EDWARDS, Grand Dragon; DALE GOSS, Assistant Grand Dragon; GIL HARRIS, Secretary-Treasurer; L.M. HODNETT; MAJOR HICKMAN; KLADD; L.L. TRUELOVE, Exalted Cyclops of the Chatham Unit; TOMMY REAGAN, Great Titan; JIMMY THORNHILL; and twelve other individuals. JOHN JOHNSON, Exalted Cyclops of the Junction City Unit, was also present at this meeting.

Doctor JAMES M. EDWARDS, the Grand Dragon, spoke regarding the issuance of new constitutions at the Tuscaloosa, Alabama, meeting of the United Klans of America, held on

January 30, 1965. He stated these new constitutions would be sent to all Units throughout the State of Louisiana. He further stated that each Unit had to increase its dues by twenty-five cents per man and furnish this money directly to the Office of ROBERT SHELTON, Imperial Wizard, at Tuscaloosa, Alabama. EDWARDS then brought up the issue of whether or not the State Board would be re-elected at the forthcoming election on March 20, 1965 in Alexandria, Louisiana. GIL HARRIS stated that he was against the election for the State Board and this issue was not resolved at the Ruston meeting. EDWARDS stated that the State Board would meet at the Blue Grill Cafe, located in Jonesboro, Louisiana, on the night of March 12, 1965. He said that nominations would then be placed regarding election of all state officers.

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EDWARDS stated that Units should start thinking about nominating individuals for the Titan Committee and also nominate individuals for the various state positions. He said these nominations could then be placed in effect at the meeting at Jonesboro on March 12, 1965.

EDWARDS stated that he had just received word from ROBERT SHELTON in Tuscaloosa that DENLEY INGRAM, of the New Orleans Unit, and BILL WINDAM, of the Monroe Unit, had received their Kleagelship Papers.

On Saturday night, January 6, 1965, a rally was held of the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan in Rayville, Louisiana. There were eighty individuals in robes and between two hundred and sixty-five and three hundred spectators at the Rayville Ball Park. Out of this two hundred and sixty-five or three hundred spectators, approximately sixty percent were members of the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan.

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Organizers of the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan rally were HOUSTON MORRIS, Imperial Wizard of the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan; ROBERT FULLER, Grand Dragon; JAMES OLIVER; ROBERT ABE ALLEN; RUSSELL PRICE; and JERRY HAYES, Exalted Cyclops of the Monroe Unit of the Old Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan. The rally

began at 7:30 PM and terminated at 8:30 PM. The principle speaker was the Reverend DRISKELL, who is not associated with the Ku Klux Klan, but is associated with the Citizens Council of Monroe, Louisiana. His main theme was the Communist takeover in the United States and the virtues of segregation of the white and Negro races. He further spoke on the fact that the State Board of Education and the local school boards located in the various parishes throughout the state should not sign the Federal Compliance Agreement in order to receive Federal funds for the various schools.

Following the rally, [redacted] met with [redacted] ROBERT FULLER, [redacted] and [redacted] regarding the co-ordination of all Klan activities in the state. FULLER stated that he would like to set up a meeting between the United Klans of America and the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan in the very near future to discuss this issue. [redacted] FOIA(b)(7) - (D)

[redacted] stated that LEE HALLORAN, Citizens Council President, Monroe, Louisiana, had been in touch with JACK HELM, Exalted Cyclops of the New Orleans Unit, and JAMES EDWARDS and L.M. HODNETT during the statewide Citizens Council meeting held at Alexandria, Louisiana.

On February 7, 1965, a meeting was held at the residence of TOMMY REAGAN between HOUSTON MORRIS and W.J. KIDD of the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, and TOMMY REAGAN; BUTCH COON, of the West Monroe Unit of the United Klan; LUTHER STANLEY CHAPMAN; TOMMY REAGAN; COY NEAL, and CLAYTON SALLEY.

A general discussion was entered into regarding the co-ordination of Ku Klux Klan activities in the State of Louisiana against segregation. MORRIS stated that a meeting of all the Klans was scheduled at Baton Rouge, Louisiana, on the 12th and 13th of March, 1965, following a speech by Governor GEORGE WALLACE of Alabama to the State Citizens Council. He said that he wanted, if possible, to have present the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, the United Klans of America, and the Knights of the White Camelia, who are led by (First Name Unknown) COBB.

On February 8, 1965, a meeting was held at the residence of EARNEST RHODES of the Monroe Unit of the United Klans of America. Present at this meeting was COY NEAL, LUTHER STANLEY CHAPMAN, BILL WINDAM, JIMMY THORNHILL, VAUGHN LAMBERT, JOE SMITH, GRADY BLOCKER, and LEON SMUDRICK. NEAL issued membership cards to those individuals who had paid up their dues and they discussed building a Klavern Building located somewhere on Winnsboro Highway. The

main topic of conversation was the Federal Aid Educational Funds being given to the various parish school boards if and when they sign the Compliance Agreement to desegregate schools. SMUDRICK stated that in order to prevent the school board from signing this Compliance Agreement the Citizens Councils were being reorganized and, consequently, the Klan could work through the Citizens Council to prevent this signing. SMUDRICK stated that a Citizens Council meeting would be held at the Ouachita Parish Library on February 11, 1965 and he wanted all Klan members to be there. He stated that LEE HALLORAN was the individual who was setting this rally up.

The meeting ended at 9:15 PM with NEAL stating that the members of the Unit would meet next on February 16, 1965 at the Crystal Steak House and there receive instructions as to where the next meeting would be held.

[REDACTED]

to attend the Jonesboro Unit meeting on February 9, 1965 and instruct them regarding the new constitution and membership cards which were issued on January 30, 1965 at Tuscaloosa, Alabama. [REDACTED] stated that, while contacting Unit 504 of the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, he had been asked by JERRY HAYES regarding what type of a solution could be used to take paint off vehicles. [REDACTED] stated that a

general discussion was entered into at the Unit meeting, in which it was decided that a solution of hydro-sulphuric acid and water would be effective in dissolving car paint. He said the Unit was discussing the use of fire extinguishers in projecting this fluid on vehicles parked in the Negro neighborhoods of Monroe, Louisiana.   further stated that FLOYD KELLY, who was formerly Exalted Cyclops of the West Monroe Unit, had formed his own outlaw Unit comprised of three to five members and was attempting to affiliate himself with the outlaw Unit of W.D. GAY, located in Ruston, Louisiana.

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On February 9, 1965,



[REDACTED] Directions to the meeting place are as follows:

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Drive twelve miles out the Chatham Highway until you reach a mailbox which states "WALTERS FARM", turn left one quarter mile off the road on a gravel road, follow this gravel road until you reach split and keep bearing left and the WALTERS' house is located three hundred yards on top of Little Hill. Approximately twenty-five vehicles were parked outside of the meeting place.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Present at this meeting was between twenty-five and thirty individuals, including the Exalted Cyclops, (First Name Unknown) PACE; Secretary, MARVIN HOLLINGSWORTH, Route 1, Box 20, Jonesboro; and BILL MC GEE, Treasurer. Also present was L.M. HODNETT.

Doctor EDWARDS began the meeting by stating that a nomination meeting would be held on 12 March, 1965 at the Blue Grill Cafeteria in Jonesboro, at which nominations for state positions would be placed. He further advised that a state election would be held at the Bentley Hotel

in Alexandria, Louisiana, on March 20, 1965. EDWARDS stated that, in order to vote, all Units must have their dues up to date or would not be able to cast their ballot. EDWARDS stated the following offices would be up for election on March 20:

Grand Dragon, Assistant Grand Dragon, Secretary-Treasurer, Lecturer, Conductor, Sergeant at Arms, and State Investigator.

He stated that all Klansmen who were interested in the election would register at the Bentley Hotel at 2:00 PM on Saturday afternoon and remain at the hotel until Sunday night.

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Doctor EDWARDS then introduced [ ] to the Klansmen, who explained how the new membership cards work and also explained the constitution of the United Klans of America. Doctor EDWARDS stated that he had to pay five dollars back dues because he had not been present at the Unit meeting for many months. EDWARDS also contributed money to the building fund for the new Klavern Building, presently under construction in the Jonesboro area. [ ] in explaining the constitution, stated that the Grand Dragon was elected for three years, the Assistant Grand Dragon for two years and the rest of the state officers one year, except for the Night Hawk who was elected for two years. He stated

that the Exalted Cyclopes were elected for one year. [ ] explained that the National dues had been increased by twenty-five cents and that this money must be sent directly to ROBERT SHELTON's office in Tuscaloosa, Alabama, and have to be paid in advance. He stated that the new United Klans of America lapel pins would cost two dollars and that the constitution booklet and the Kloran would now cost fifty cents to each individual Unit. He said on the above mentioned items which cost fifty cents, the state, which would obtain the money from the various Units, would then pay ROBERT SHELTON thirty cents per item. [ ] requested that all members of the Jonesboro Unit be in attendance at the Citizens Council meeting to be held on February 11, 1965 at the Ouachita Parish Library in West Monroe, Louisiana. FOIA(b)(7) - (D)

[ ] contacted GILBERT WALTERS at Calhoun, Louisiana, who had advised him that the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan members who had disaffiliated themselves from this Klan organization were now interested in signing up with the United Klans of America.

[ ] that this Unit should be up to charter strength within the next two weeks, based on the co-operation furnished to the United Klan by WALTERS. [ ]

[REDACTED], while they were driving to the Jonesboro Unit meeting, that every time a church is burned down in Jackson Parish United Klans of America Units gain fifteen to twenty members. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] did not think it was United Klans of America members who burned the church and had no idea who might have done so. [REDACTED] stated that the following listed individuals should prepare themselves for a trip to New Orleans in order to set up three Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan Units for membership in the United Klans of America:

COY NEAL, JOE SMITH, BILL WINDAM, LUTHER STANLEY CHAPMAN, TOMMY REAGAN, JIMMY REAGAN and H.C. SALLEY.

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] to New Orleans and meet with DENLEY INGRAM and JACK HELM. He stated the above listed Klansmen would stay at the Deep South Motel, located in Kenner, Louisiana. He further advised that the meeting would not be held at the same place that the last state meeting was held in New Orleans, but would be held somewhere else. He stated that a banquet was planned for February 13, 1965, following the meeting.

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[redacted] stated that there was approximately eight hundred dues paying members of the United Klans of America in the 5th Congressional District. He said, however, that at most there was three hundred active United Klansmen within this district. He further advised that the Alexandria United Klan organization had about two hundred men in six Units in this area.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT  
M E M O R A N D U M

To: SAC  
From: ASAC SYLVESTER  
Subject: ZENNIE WILLIAM FULLER  
RACIAL MATTERS

Date: 3/16/65

Re New Orleans memo 2/26/65 in which you were instructed to prepare report in instant case.

In connection with the submission of the non-prosecutive summary report in this matter, the original and six copies of this report should be furnished to the Bureau. Dissemination at a local level should be made using the same procedures now being followed in disseminating the investigative reports regarding klan and hate-type organizations; ie, ICG, ONI, OSI, Secret Service (if he is in possession of any type of weapons or has a past history of violence), or ATTU (if there is an indication that this member purchased or in any way obtained a rifle from HOWARD LEE of Bogalusa).

Nonprosecutive summary report must also be submitted regarding informants and sources who hold office in the klan or hate-type organizations and who qualify under the categories set forth in previous memoranda. In these type cases, utmost care should be utilized by all Agents in preparing these reports and the information must be properly paraphrased to insure the adequate protection of the informant or source. If any doubt exists in your mind as to whether a particular report should be disseminated at a local level, this report should be submitted to the Bureau for review prior to dissemination, by appropriate cover memo.

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On February 17, 1965, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] drove to Olla, Louisiana, for the purpose of meeting with [REDACTED] of the Alexandria, Louisiana area. This meeting was conducted at a truck stop, approximately one mile south of Olla, towards Alexandria. The meeting was held in a motel room. Present at this meeting from the Alexandria area were the following persons: [REDACTED] FOIA(b)(7) - (D)

[REDACTED] is described as a white male, age 25, weight 185 pounds, 5' 11" in height, ruddy complexion, brown hair and was wearing blue jeans with a blue shirt. [REDACTED] was described as a white male, age about 60, gray hair, 5' 10" in height, 150 pounds, and had in his possession an old Original Ku Klux Klan membership card, dated December 31, 1924. A discussion was entered into [REDACTED] regarding the forthcoming election at Alexandria, on March 20, 1965. This election is for the purpose of electing State Officers of the United Klans of America. [REDACTED] stated that he has selected individuals within his realm who he thinks would make good state officers. [REDACTED] [REDACTED] about whom he was going to support in the forthcoming election



and [REDACTED] is thinking of supporting TOMMY REAGAN for Grand Dragon, inasmuch as it does not appear that EDWARDS is doing the job. [REDACTED]

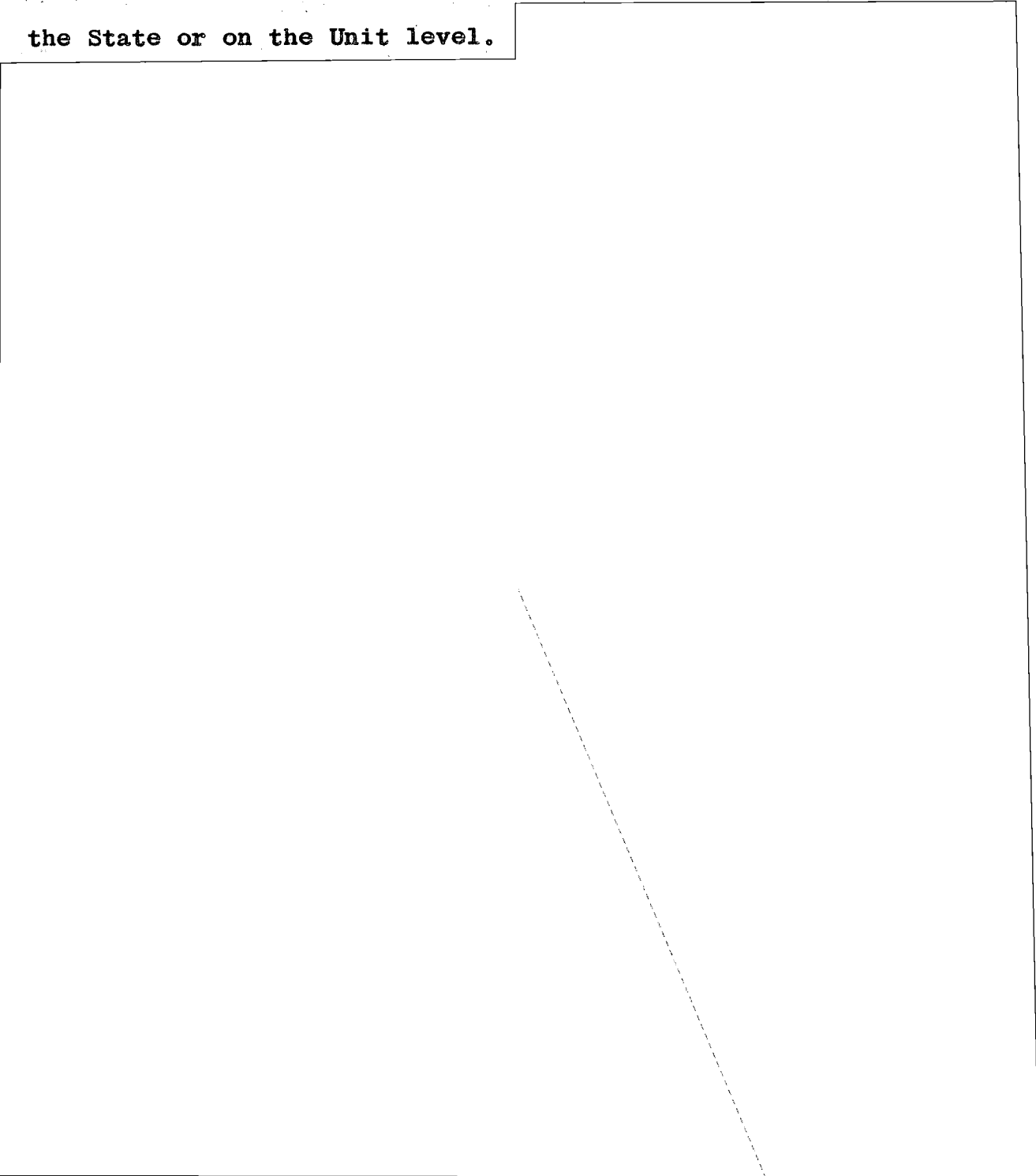
[REDACTED] Units located in and around the Alexandria area would vote for TOMMY REAGAN for Grand Dragon on March 20, 1965. [REDACTED] FOIA(b)(7) - (D)

On February 18, 1965, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] they proceeded to drive approximately six miles south of Calhoun, turning left on a gravel road and drove for about one quarter of a mile into the woods. Upon arrival there were approximately twenty-seven individuals present of whom fifteen were already members of the United Klans of America. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] answered questions regarding the placement of funds by individual members in the United Klans of America Treasury, not only in the State of Louisiana, but also at Tuscaloosa, Alabama. According to the members present, they had been swindled out of money by the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan and particularly KBI Director, ROBERT FULLER. Consequently, these members were dubious about joining any Klan group who did not keep their books open for inspection by the members. [REDACTED] assured the individuals present that the United Klan did not

swindle its members out of money and that the funds received from individual members could be scrutinized at any time on the State or on the Unit level.



[REDACTED] Upon arrival

at the Ruston Holiday Inn, he contacted TOMMY REAGAN, JOHN JOHNSON and seven other Exalted Cyclopes from the north Louisiana area. There were eight units represented at this meeting, one from Dubach, Junction City, and Farmerville. GILBERT WALTERS, from Calhon, Louisiana, was also present at this meeting. TOMMY REAGAN addressed the group and stated that he wanted the support of the Exalted Cyclopes present in the forthcoming election to be held

on March 20, 1965, at Alexandria, Louisiana. REAGAN stated that the represented units must pay up their dues in order to have a vote. REAGAN was assured by the visiting Klansmen that they would support him in the forthcoming election, inasmuch as EDWARDS did not seem to be performing his job. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] stated that he had been at the Paramount Theatre located in Monroe, Louisiana, and found out that there were Negroes in the theatre [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] there was nothing anyone could do about it, inasmuch as the Civil Rights law of 1964 permitted Negroes to go to the theatre. [REDACTED] FOIA(b)(7) - (D)

[REDACTED] and stated the Klan had to do something about the Negro situation in Monroe, Louisiana, before it was too late. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] and placed a call on the citizen's band radio to [REDACTED]

and

stated "Niggers were in the Paramount Theatre and he needed help to throw them out." Approximately fifteen minutes later the following Klansmen showed up at the Paramount Theatre in Monroe, Louisiana:

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] proceeded inside the theatre in search of the Negroes. The remaining Klansmen waited outside. A short time later police units of the Monroe Police Department began circling the area.

Following the arrival of the Monroe Police at the Paramount Theatre, [REDACTED] advised the Klansmen standing outside that they had better leave, inasmuch as it looked as if the police would be in a position to arrest Klansmen if trouble started. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] followed the Negroes outside the theatre after the movie but did nothing to them in view of Monroe Police Department Units parked outside the theatre. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] attempted to follow the Negroes to their residences, but lost them in traffic.

On February 20, 1965, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] stated

that nothing could be accomplished by beating up the Negroes and the United Klan was a political and not a violent organization.

[REDACTED] was

a "knucklehead" regarding his use of his citizen's band radio to broadcast the fact that Negroes were in the Paramount Theatre.

[REDACTED]

ROBERT FULLER, Grand Dragon of the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan in the State of Louisiana, who stated that he had learned that Chief J. C. KELLY was intending to interview all Klansmen connected with the Paramount Theatre incident on February 19, 1965.

On February 22, 1965, Chief of Police, J. C. KELLY, Monroe, Louisiana Police Department, interviewed [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] regarding their being at the Paramount Theatre on February 19, 1965. KELLY advised the above Klansmen that if any further incidents take place in the Monroe area, they would be held responsible and consequently placed in jail.

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On February 22, 1965, a meeting of the Monroe Unit of the United Klans of America was held at the residence of BUDDY RHODEN, located on Humble Circle, Monroe, Louisiana. Present at this meeting were TOMMY REAGAN, COY NEAL, SHERMAN ALLEN, JOE SMITH, JIMMY THORNHILL, GRADY BLOCKNER, CHARLES NUGENT, and BILL WINDAM.

[REDACTED] He

further advised that the United Klans would not participate in violent action and that anyone who did so would be doing so on his own responsibility. TOMMY REAGAN stated that the only possibility regarding action against the Paramount Theatre would be in the form of picketing around the theatre by the United Klans of America. This would be in protest to the theatre's integration policies. He said that he planned to maintain contact with the West Monroe and Monroe Units regarding this idea and determine if it should be voted on.

Following the meeting which ended at approximately 9:30 PM, [REDACTED] regarding gaining entrance to the Monroe Resident Agency and obtaining information on FBI activities in the Monroe, Louisiana area. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] that he should not attempt such an entry, as it would subject him to stiff prosecution and also subject the United Klans of America in the State of Louisiana, to harassment by the FBI.

On February 23, 1965, a meeting of the Monroe Units of the United Klans of America, was held at the residence of BUDDY RHODEN. Present at this meeting were COY NEAL, BILL WINDAM, CHARLES NUGENT, JOE SMITH, JIMMY THORNHILL and GRADY BLOCKNER. A vote was taken by the members present regarding proposed picketing by the United Klans of America at the Paramount Theatre. The vote passed and consequently it was determined that signs should be carried by two pickets with the remaining Klansmen parked in the area. These signs would state "Stop integration, think before you buy a ticket". [REDACTED]

On February 24, 1965, Chief of Police J. C. KELLY,



Monroe Police Department, advised TOMMY REAGAN and COY NEAL that he would arrest any individuals participating in picketing of the Paramount Theatre on the charge of unlawful picketing based on opinion of Monroe City Judge W. M. HARPER.

REAGAN and NEAL argued with KELLY regarding this position and stated that they would contact legal counsel before making their next move. FOIA(b)(7) - (D)

NEAL stated that the Monroe Unit was extremely anxious to picket the Paramount Theatre in regard to Chief KELLY's present position. NEAL stated that he had managed to talk the members out of picketing on February 25, 1965 and February 26, 1965, based on a waiting period until legal counsel could be sought.

REAGAN advised that the United Klans of America had received good publicity although not in the paper or radio regarding the picketing and had been contacted by the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan leaders regarding this proposed picketing. NEAL stated that one PAT TULLOS, a member of the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan in the Monroe area, had contacted him regarding obtaining membership in the United Klans of America. NEAL had advised TULLOS that he would admit him after investigation was conducted by the Unit Investigator. REAGAN stated that legal counsel should be sought either from

Judge LEANDER PREEZ or Judge (FNU) ROSE from Shreveport, Louisiana.

REAGAN stated that members of the Monroe and West Monroe Units should be told that they are not to picket until legal advice is obtained.

Optional Form #10

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

MEMORANDUM

TO: SAC

DATE: 2/26/65

FROM: ASAC

RE: ZENNIE WILLIAM FULLER  
RACIAL MATTERS  
NO file# 157-1300  
Bufile #

Buded: 4/15/65

Pursuant to instructions in Buairtel of 2/24/65, you are instructed to submit a supplemental non-prosecutive summary report on the above-named reported klansman. The following format should be used in preparing these non-prosecutive summary reports:

- (1) Residence
- (2) Employment
- (3) Current position in organization
- (4) Automobile
- (5) Activity of subject
- (6) Miscellaneous information concerning subject

If a summary report has not yet been submitted to the Bureau regarding captioned person, an up-to-date non-prosecutive summary report must be submitted, using the following format:

- (a) Birthdate
- (b) Citizenship status
- (c) Education
- (d) Marital status
- (e) Residence
- (f) Employment
- (g) Military service
- (h) Credit and criminal record
- (i) Physical description
- (j) Make and model of automobile used by subject and description, including body style, color and license number. Description of other vehicles to which subject has access.

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- (m) Up-to-date picture of subject

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Optional Form #10

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

MEMORANDUM

TO: SAC

DATE: 2/26/65

FROM: ASAC

RE:

ZENNIE WILLIAM FULLER, AKA  
RACIAL MATTERS  
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Dated: 4/15/65

Pursuant to instructions in Buairtel of 2/24/65, you are instructed to submit a supplemental non-prosecutive summary report on the above-named reported klansman. The following format should be used in preparing these non-prosecutive summary reports:

- (1) Residence
- (2) Employment
- (3) Current position in organization
- (4) Automobile
- (5) Activity of subject
- (6) Miscellaneous information concerning subject

If a summary report has not yet been submitted to the Bureau regarding captioned person, an up-to-date non-prosecutive summary report must be submitted, using the following format:

- (a) Birthdate
- (b) Citizenship status
- (c) Education
- (d) Marital status
- (e) Residence
- (f) Employment
- (g) Military service
- (h) Credit and criminal record
- (i) Physical description
- (j) Make and model of automobile used by subject and description, including body style, color and license number. Description of other vehicles to which subject has access.

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Remarks:

It is noted that this source is of unknown reliability, although he has furnished reliable information in the past. Source advised that information contained in this report was obtained through conversation with Klan leaders in the State of Louisiana.

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February 12, 1965

The Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Realm of Louisiana, has been split into at least three separate factions, since the last state election of officers held at Winnsboro, Louisiana, several months ago. MURRAY MARTIN, the Titular Head and former State Grand Dragon of this group, still has control of this Klan group in Franklin Parish and East Baton Rouge Parish, or at least those units in East Baton Rouge Parish and that area which are controled by BILLY SKIPPER. The Brownsville Unit, near West Monroe, Louisiana, in Ouachita Parish is also alligned with MURRAY MARTIN.

The extreme northeast Louisiana faction of this group, headed by ROBERT FULLER and HOUSTON MORRIS, continues to operate completely apart and separate from MURRAY MARTIN's group. This faction has been further split by differences between ROBERT FULLER and HOUSTON MORRIS from time to time, although at the present time FULLER and MORRIS are working together under somewhat strained relations. This group claims to have control over all units in Ouachita Parish including Monroe and West Monroe, except for the Brownsville Unit headed by JIM McCLUNG and SAMMY FOSTER. It further claims control over units in Morehouse Parish, Richland Parish, except for the Delhi Units. The membership of all units under control of this faction is estimated to be four hundred at the present time. This faction also is the only faction that has come out in the open, this being exemplified by the fact that

HOUSTON MORRIS and WILLIS J. KIDD of the Swartz Unit recently organized a corporate charter for this group which was filed in State District Court in Ouachita Parish in Monroe, Louisiana, on January 26, 1965. This charter was in the name of "Original Ku Klux Klan of America, Incorporated" and listed as officers in the charter, HOUSTON MORRIS as President, JACK SAUCIER as Secretary-Treasurer and GEORGE BONNER as Vice President.

Source noted that MORRIS had attempted to keep ROBERT FULLER out of this new organization; however, because of the loyalty of some members to FULLER, MORRIS was forced to include FULLER in this organization, although FULLER has no office in the group at the present time. It was anticipated that in the future FULLER would either be eliminated or would be given some office in this group.

In addition to units in Louisiana, the northeast Louisiana faction mentioned above also claims control over units at Monticello, Crossett and Hamburg, Arkansas, although little is known about the organization or membership of these units at the present.

The third faction is composed of units in Washington Parish and Livingston Parish as well as other scattered groups in that area headed by RUSSELL MAGEE. This group has been operating on its own but is expected to rejoin with MURRAY MARTIN in the future.

It was not believed that the group in Washington Parish

would affiliate with ROBERT FULLER or with any group that FULLER had any connection with. It was further pointed out that MURRAY MARTIN had not attempted to reorganize statewide since the split which occurred, inasmuch as he is waiting for MORRIS and FULLER to have a split in that faction at which time he hopes to be able to regain control over that faction and then to reorganize the entire state under his leadership.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, NEW ORLEANS (105-687)

DATE: 2/9/65

FROM : SA JOHN C. MC CURNIN II

SUBJECT: UNITED KLANS OF AMERICA, INC.  
KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN  
RM

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[redacted] advised instant date that COY NEAL and TOMMY REAGAN are scheduled to meet with DELENY INGRAHAM KLEAGEL of the New Orleans United Klan Unit on February 13-14, 1965 regarding the meeting with Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan leaders in the New Orleans area in order to affiliate them with the United Klan.

[redacted] Klan leaders in Louisiana at Baton Rouge, Louisiana on the 12th and 13th of February, 1965 regarding co-ordination of the Ku Klux Klan efforts in the State of Louisiana to prevent integration by the use of boycotts, etc. Informant said that a Citizens Council meeting is scheduled in Baton Rouge for the 12th of February in which Governor WALLACE of Alabama is supposed to be the principal speaker. Following this meeting TOMMY REAGAN and COY NEAL of the United Klans will meet with leaders of the Knights of the White Camellia, Old Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, and the Black Knights of the Ku Klux Klan. Leaders of the Old Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan will travel to Baton Rouge. At this meeting will be HOUSTON MORRIS, Imperial Wizard, and ROBERT FULLER, Grand Dragon.

Informant further advised that on March 12, 1965, the State Board of the United Klans will meet at the Blue Grill Cafe, Jonesboro, Louisiana regarding nominations to be placed on the forthcoming election of United Klan leaders, to be held on March 20, and 21, at Alexandria, La. ROBERT SHELTON, Imperial Wizard for the United Klans will be at Alexandria, La. to supervise this election. Klansmen will stay at the Bentley Hotel, Alexandria, and the election will begin at 2 p.m. on March 20, 1965.

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Details of Titan Committee meeting and Monroe Unit meeting  
set out.

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On January 23, 1965, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] advised that he had heard no further information regarding the National meeting of the United Klans of America, which would be held in Tuscaloosa, Alabama, in the near future.

[REDACTED] stated that [REDACTED] would also attend this meeting. He stated that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] were also scheduled to attend the meeting, but did not know at the present time if they could get off work over any particular weekend in the near future.

[REDACTED] would leave on Friday night, January 29, 1965, at 7:00 PM, and drive through to Tuscaloosa, Alabama, for a 9:00 AM meet on January 30, 1965 with ROBERT SHELTON.

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[REDACTED] stated that they would show the movie "Birth Of A Nation" at Wisner, Louisiana, if the movie could be obtained from F.L. MC DANIEL, Grand Dragon of the United Klans in Mississippi. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] had talked with ROBERT FULLER on January 22,

1965 and FULLER had stated that he planned an old Original

Knights of the Ku Klux Klan rally at Rayville, Louisiana, for January 22, 1965, but this rally had been put off until

February 6, 1965, weather permitting. FULLER stated that he wanted the United Klan to have members present at the rally and was told if the United Klan members would come to the rally they would be able to put out their own literature. [redacted] that United Klan could not actively participate in another Klan organization rally, as it was prevented from doing so by the laws of its constitution. He said, however, the United Klan might come in the capacity of observers. [FOIA(b)(7) - (D)]

[redacted] that the United Klan had sent flowers to ROBERT FULLER's wife, who is in the St. Francis Hospital, after she had been in a car wreck. He said the flowers were sent on Tuesday, January 19, 1965.

[redacted] FULLER's group of the old Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan apparently not very active and in dire need of membership, consequently the reason why he requested United Klan help in staging the forthcoming rally in Rayville, Louisiana.

[redacted]

On January 25, 1965, a meeting was held of the Monroe Unit of the United Klans of America at the home of BUDDY RHODES, Humble Drive, Monroe, Louisiana. Sixteen individuals were present at this meeting, including Exaulted Cyclops COY NEAL, Assistant Consultant Cyclops SHERMAN ALLEN, Secretary-Treasurer LEON SMUDRICK, Lecturer BILL WINDAM, and Unit Investigator CHARLES (Last Name Unknown). Also present at this meeting was TOMMY REAGAN, Great Titan, State of Louisiana; CHARLES RAYMOND, Assistant Great Titan; LUTHER S. CHAPMAN, Exaulted Cyclops of the West Monroe Unit. Members present were JOE SMITH, HERBERT BERRY, VAUGHAN LAMBERT, JIMMIE THORNHILL.

COY NEAL stated that the Unit now has eighteen individuals on the roles and that signs would be purchased by restaurants in the 5th Congressional District which state that all money received from the sales of items to Negroes would be contributed to the United Klans of America. NEAL stated that TOM GATES, who owns a printing establishment on Oliver Road, would print up these signs. NEAL



stated that the signs would be sold to the various restaurants at a cost of \$50.00 for four signs. He said that all money received from the sales of such signs goes to the State Board or to Dr. EDWARDS. He said this money, which goes to the State Boards or to Dr. EDWARDS is sent via Louisiana Reserve Service, care of Bernice Sportsmen's Club, Box 57, Bernice, Louisiana. He said that GIL HARRIS, the Secretary-Treasurer of the United Klans of America in the State of Louisiana, would manage the money received from such sources. The meeting began at 7:00 PM and ended at 8:30 PM, with the members present voicing confidence in the Exaulted Cyclops and Assistant Exaulted Cyclops of the Monroe Unit. Prior to the termination of the meeting, NEAL stated that Monroe was going to get better representation on the state level and planned to see to it that the proper people from Monroe were elected to high office next March, 1965, when the state elections were held.

Following the Monroe Unit meeting, a meeting of the Louisiana Titan Committee was held at the residence of TOMMY REAGAN. Members present were TOMMY REAGAN, CHARLES RAYMOND, LUTHER STANLEY CHAPMAN, LEON SMUDRICK, COY NEAL, BILL WINDAM, and JOE SMITH. A general discussion was entered into by the members of the Titan Committee as to whether or not to advise ROBERT SHELTON of the present predicament of the United Klans of America in the State of Louisiana. Particular emphasis was placed on the fact that only four state board members had been attending meetings at the state board over the past three to four months, while

there were ten members on the board. The Titan Committee further discussed the fact that six members were needed at each state board meeting in order to constitute a quorum and, inasmuch as no new members had been appointed to this position up until a few weeks ago to replace the six that were not coming to the meetings and since Monroe had not received any representation, the Titan Committee felt that this was unfair of EDWARDS. Further that EDWARDS was probably stacking the state board in order to see to it that he was re-elected as Grand Dragon from the State of Louisiana. After much discussion, the Titan Committee decided to ask TOMMY REAGAN to call ROBERT SHELTON at home and advise him that Monroe, who had the strongest representation of the United Klan in the State of Louisiana, should be represented on the state board and; consequently, two individual names would be submitted to EDWARDS with instructions from SHELTON that they should be placed on the state board. REAGAN attempted to call SHELTON, but SHELTON was not at home. The Titan Committee decided to submit four names to Dr. EDWARDS within the very near future, COY NEAL, BILL WINDAM and alternates JAMES REAGAN and JOE SMITH.

REAGAN then


called Dr. JAMES EDWARDS in Jonesboro, Louisiana, and advised him that a meeting of the Titan Committee would be held later on in the night of January 26, 1965 and requested that he be present for the submission of four names to be placed on the United Klan of Louisiana State Board.

At 7:30 PM, the Titan Committee met and waited for Dr. EDWARDS to show up, but he did not come. TOMMY REAGAN called Jonesboro, Louisiana, and determined that he was sick and could not attend the meeting.

On January 27, 1965, a meeting of the Titan Committee was held in the residence of TOMMY REAGAN and it was decided that the four names, which had already been voted on, would be submitted to Dr. EDWARDS. These names, according to REAGAN, would be brought to his attention at a meeting of the Titan Committee on Thursday, January 28, 1965 at REAGAN's residence. It was further

decided that all members of the Titan Committee would go to Alabama for the National meeting on the 30th of January, 1965.

On Thursday, January 28, 1965, a meeting of the Titan Committee was held at the residence of TOMMY REAGAN. The meeting began at 5:00 PM with REAGAN calling Dr. JAMES EDWARDS in Jonesboro, who advised him that he would not be able to come to the Titan meeting in Monroe, Louisiana, because he had to meet with E.L. MC DANIEL in Natchez, Mississippi.



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Names of over 30 members of klan at Chatham around 10/63; some active and some no longer active. Location of Chatham meeting place. Recent info on Citizens Council of Jackson Parish being re-activated

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Remarks:

Informant has furnished reliable information in the past.

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- 1 - 157- (ROBERT FULLER) 157-1300  
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1 - 157- (L. H. "SHORTY" STROUD)  
1 - 157- (IRA WIGGLEY)

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January 25, 1965

The Chatham Klan Unit was formerly affilliated with the Original Knights of Ku Klux Klans under leadership of someone from the Shreveport, La. area. Also active in the leadership of that klan organization from the Monroe, La. area were Robert Fuller and Houston Morris. The latter two attended meetings of the Chatham klan on occasions, and Houston Morris opened the klan meeting with prayer on one occasion. In the period around 10/63 this klan unit was affilliated with Old Original Knights of KKK, but some time later it was said to have disassociated itself from the OKKKK and to have become affiliated with another klan organization, whose leader was in Alabama. The klan unit at Chatham meets on property of Leland Pardue, telephone number CH 9-3073.

Around 10/63 a klan leader from Winnsboro, La., age about 40, attended a klan meeting at Chatham; and also a klan leader from West Monroe, La., attended a meeting; the latter man is described as "bulldog looking," and he is a very good speaker.

Little is known of recent activities of this klan group, except what is learned from friends still in it. The klan group still meets frequently, and possibly weekly. In



going to the meeting one must go right by the residence of Kenneth Beck, who is known not to like the klan and who can be expected to cooperate in any attempt to cover klan meetings.

Persons known to have been in the klan at Chatham and believed to be still active to some extent are the following:

Leland Pardue, Chatham, CH 9-3073

William Truelove, Chatham, CH 9 5867

James Truelove, Chatham, CH 9 3131

Major Hickman, CH 9 3718, Chatham

Sylvester Truelove

Jesse Ramsey

Henry Lee Johnson, CH 9 3065, Chatham

J. A. "Red" Davis, Chatham, CH 9 3136

Following are persons who were known to be members of the klan unit at Chatham, La., but who are believed not to be active in the klan any longer:

Clyde Melton, Chatham, CH 9-3895

Sam W. Wright, Chatham, CH 9 5355

G. T. Spillers, Chatham, CH 9 5695

Morgan Thomas, Chatham CH 9 5281

Herbert C. Womack, Chatham, CH 9 3500

Aubrey L. Johnson (Mayor of Chatham) CH 9 5136  
Clifford Cartwright CH 9 3898  
Roy Cartwright CH 9 5188, Chatham  
Richard A. Gibson, Chatham, CH 9 5326 -- a log hauler  
Reginald A. Rentz, Chatham, CH 95818  
M. J. Smith, Chatham, CH 9 5453  
His son, James Marshall Smith, Chatham, CH 9 5455  
FNU Martin, who cuts logs for Smiths above  
Max Varner, Eros, La., CH 9 3741  
Louis Varner, Eros, CH 9 3745  
C. Prentis Waggoner, Eros, CH 9 3747  
A. E. Neal, Chatham CH 9 3145  
Henry Anders, Chatham, CH 9 5167  
Billy Watson, Chatham CH 9 5057  
L. H. "Shorty" Stroud, Chatham, CH 9 5791  
Ira Wiggley, Chatham CH 9 5757  
Two brothers of C. Prentis Waggoner, their first names  
unknown.

The exhalted cyclops of the klan unit at Chatham  
around 10/63 was Rev. Glen Henson, RFD Eros, CH 9-3749. The  
next (EC) was Charlie (last name unknown), and then "Red" Davis  
became EC of the klan unit. Glen Henson claims not to be active

in the klan any more, and he is not believed to be active in the klan at Chatham. His father-in-law, Clyde Bailey, RFD Kros, was in the klan unit, but he is not believed active any more.

Henry Lee Johnson, who had been active in the klan, made the remark a few weeks ago that he and Major Hickman got into an arguement at a recent klan meeting at Chatham over klan leadership, and it almost resulted in a shooting incident between them during the meeting. Johnson said he was going to quit the klan.

Leland Pardue made the remark a few weeks ago that he was not satisfied with the klan and that he would quit it if it were not for the fact that the klan was meeting on his property.

One of the klansmen who visited the Chatham Klan meeting around 11/63 was Charlie Greggs, a pulpwood hauler, who lives in the Lapine area near Monroe, La.

Around 12/64 at a meeting of Methodis Men at Chatham, La., Bill Greer and his son, Bobby Greer, the latter of whom is employed as a State Probation or Juvenile Officer at Monroe, were passing out application forms for submission for membership in the Citizens Council of Jackson Parish. These membership tickets cost \$2.00. It was stated that the Citizens Council

was being reorganized after a period of little activity since the voter registration challenges of Negroes several years ago.

The Citizens Council held a meeting at Jonesboro on 1/18/65 and David Stinson, Jackson Parish Bank, Jonesboro, La., telephoned to the School Board Office a resolution of the Citizens Council asking the Jackson Parish School Board to vote against acceptance of certain Federal regulations which had to be accepted in order to qualify for participation in certain federal funds; these Federal regulation related to operations of schools on a non-segregated basis. This resolution of the Citizens Council was later signed by the President of the Citizens Council, whose name is not recalled

## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 1/26/65

THOMAS SIMON FONTENOT, Route 1, Box 106, Dry Prong, was interviewed and furnished the following information:

FONTENOT was asked about the arson-murder of FRANK MORRIS, Negro, at Ferriday, Louisiana, on December 10, 1964. FONTENOT said he only knew what he had read in the newspaper and had seen on TV news. It was FONTENOT's opinion that this was not a Klan type activity as the Klan does not sanction violence although violence may occur at times and the Klan is used as a cover for the individuals involved.

FONTENOT was able to furnish the following information about the Klan and his activities in the Klan:

Sometime in 1962 he was approached by an acquaintance, whose name he declined to furnish, who asked him to attend a Klan meeting with him to listen to a lecture. He said this meeting was held at a private home, the location of which he declined to furnish, and there were about six or seven men in attendance. The lecturer was a man named J. D. SWENSON whom he described as the Grand Dragon of the state of Louisiana of the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (OKKKK). He said the purpose of this meeting was to organize a unit in Ward 10, Tioga, Louisiana. SWENSON told the group the purpose of the Klan was to put economic pressure and/or boycott anyone who might sponsor integration activities. He said SWENSON told them the Klan was a non-violent Christian organization which only wanted sober, Christian, good living men as members. He said SWENSON told him he, FONTENOT, had been investigated by the Klan and was found to be the type of individual they wanted in the Klan.

FONTENOT said he helped to organize the unit in Tioga, Louisiana, and the primary purpose of the unit was to find candidates for elective office who were in sympathy with the aims of the Klan. He said he began in the Ward 10 unit as Secretary, became Vice-President and the Exalted Cyclops of the unit.

He said ROYAL YOUNG was the Acting Imperial Dragon, directly under a preacher from Texas, and was the top man in the Klan in Louisiana.

On 1/11/65 at Grant Parish, Louisiana File # NO 157-2119

by SA EUGENE E. BJORN and  
SA W. J. DANIELSON, JR. /sms Date dictated 1/12/65

FONTENOT said that during early 1963 he organized, with help, the Grant Parish unit of the OKKKK. He said he was the Vice-President a short time and then became the Exalted Cyclops of the Klavern. He said that it required 50 members to make a unit and when it reached 100 members a new unit was supposed to be formed. During 1963 he estimates there were over 1,000 members of the OKKKK in the Central Louisiana area. He said Ward 10 unit had over 100 members and the Grant Parish unit had close to 100 members.

He said while he was a member of both the Ward 10 and Grant Parish units, they never had a "wrecking" or "action" group and they never were involved in any act of violence.

He said he was in on a cross burning while he was a member and the purpose of this was a show of strength of the Klan to the citizens in the area, and to symbolize the destruction of evil in Christ's name. Hoods and robes were never used at these times.

He said his unit also used the telephone on several occasions to straighten people out and cited one instance when the unit called a local cafe whose Negro employees were getting too familiar with the customers.

FONTENOT said the units of the OKKKK began to break up around the time of the Gubernatorial election in Louisiana in 1963. He said the Klan did not get their man elected and he believes they concentrated too much on local candidates rather than on state candidates.

He said he took a leave of absence from the Grant Parish unit before this election because his boss, RAY STUBBLEFIELD, owner of Ray's Pest Control, Tioga, Louisiana, was running for the school board in the Parish and although he had attended one meeting of the Klan some time before he had refused to join and for this reason the Klan would not support him. FONTENOT said he could not openly support his boss, but he could not talk against him and was allowed to take leave. He said his boss won the election.

FONTENOT said in early 1964 there was a meeting of the OKKKK, both north and south Louisiana units, at Alexandria at the

Holiday Inn and the Ramada Inn, the purpose of which was to reorganize. Just before this he had called ROYAL YOUNG and spoke to YOUNG's wife and told her to tell YOUNG that the OKKKK was "washed up" in this area.

He said ROBERT FULLER attended this meeting with others from his area and they were all armed, and he believes this group of Klansmen did not live up to the rules of the Klan as they believed in violence. He said while the North and South units of the OKKKK were meeting in Alexandria, ROYAL YOUNG and FONTENOT's unit met at their Klavern in Tioga to discuss the future of the OKKKK in the area but nothing was accomplished.

He said ROYAL YOUNG at this time made FONTENOT a state organizer and gave him a letter which gave him authority to work throughout the state, but he never accepted and did not use this authority. He said shortly after this meeting YOUNG was kicked out of the Klan. He said the reason YOUNG was put out of the OKKKK was over money matters. He said YOUNG was criticized for buying SWENSON a new car although SWENSON had worn out his old car on Klan business. There was also criticism of SWENSON for a claim that SWENSON had Negro women making the Klan robes at his dry cleaning plant and that his company was making too much money from the Klan. He said the dues for each member was \$4.50 per quarter.

There was further criticism of YOUNG's leadership in that the units were not getting literature fast enough or adequate representation.

FONTENOT said when he returned to the Grant Parish unit after the Gubernatorial election, the unit had elected an Exalted Cyclops to take his place while he was on leave. One individual in the unit, J. O. HARRISON, Georgetown, attempted to have him put out of the Klan. He said he, FONTENOT, then called for a vote to see if the unit wanted him out. This was an open vote and only a very few members voted against him. He said that he had gone to the meeting to resign from the Klan, and when he got a vote of confidence he formally resigned from the OKKKK and has not had any contact with the Klan or its members as Klansmen since that time which was about six months ago. He said at the

time he resigned the Grant Parish unit had about 30 active members although there were considerably more on the membership list. He said he resigned from the OKKKK because after the reorganization they were accepting anyone into the units regardless of their character. He said many members were renegades who he believes would advocate violence which is against the rules of the Klan.

He said ARTHUR KAPPS, Georgetown, a member of the Grant Parish unit, was one of these renegades along with HARRISON. He said he would not name other members of the unit as they are good men who do not advocate violence in any form.

He said there were no renegades in the Ward 10 unit when he was a member and would furnish no names of members.

He said that at one time HARRISON had tried to get some members of the Grant Parish unit to beat someone but no one would go with him.

FONTENOT said the only information he has received about the Klan since he left about six months ago was that the Ward 10 unit was going into the United Klans organization and that there were probably 100 members in this group. He said he also heard the Ward 10 Klavern building had burned down. He said further that although Ward 10 had had a large membership he does not believe it is very active and it is his belief the Klan is finished in Louisiana. He said he believes the Ward 10 Klavern was bad off financially, and they may have burned the Klavern building for the insurance.

FONTENOT said when the OKKKK tried to reorganize, ROBERT FULLER along with MURRAY MARTIN of Winnsboro, and six or eight armed men came to his unit and tried to take over, but he disarmed them at the door and asked them why the show of force. MARTIN said he had fear of his life from YOUNG and SWENSON, and he always travelled with protection. This disgusted FONTENOT and was another factor in his disillusionment of the Klan.

He said FULLER was the chief investigator and head of the "action" group of the Klan for the state. He said he could



not condone this as the purpose of the "action" group was to use diplomacy and persuasion in any problems that came up. FULLER is a "hot head" and a reprobate who thought violence was necessary and did not know the meaning of diplomacy.

FONTENOT said the Klan must be a secret organization because the purpose was to influence political candidates to the Klan program and when a candidate spoke at one of their meetings they would always be hooded and robed. The candidate could never be sure who he had in the audience and when he made public speeches he could never be sure if the same people were in the audience and would not go back on what he had pledged at the Klan meeting as all the members may be in his district and could swing an election for or against the candidate.

FONTENOT said there were units of the OKKKK in Wards 1, 9 and 11 as well as Ward 10 and Grant Parish. He said there was an attempt to form a unit in Bunkie, but it never was organized and there has been no Klan unit in Bunkie. He said Bush and Slidell, Louisiana, in the south of the state, had large units of the OKKKK when he was a member.

He said the Louisiana Klan was told by the Mississippi Klan to stay out of Mississippi and to his knowledge the only Louisiana Klansman welcome in Mississippi was ROYAL YOUNG.

FONTENOT again stated he had never advocated violence while a Klan member and the purpose of the Klan was to work as a non-violent organization used to influence political candidates to support Klan views. He said he resigned when individuals who would advocate violence became members.

He said ROYAL YOUNG was a good leader who was against violence and who preached "ballots for bullets, boycotts for beatings."

FONTENOT furnished the following items of Klan literature and equipment:

- 1) Kloran-White Book-Knights of the KKK
- 2) Kloran of the Original KKK

- 3) Oath of Allegiance
- 4) Two pamphlets of OKKKK
- 5) Two memorandums of the OKKK
- 6) Hood and robe of the OKKKK

The following description of FONTENOT was obtained at the time of the interview through observation and questioning:

Sex	Male
Race	White
Nationality	American
Age	36
Date of Birth	July 26, 1928
Place of Birth	Bayou Boeuf, Louisiana
Height	5'9"
Weight	160 pounds
Build	Medium
Hair	Brown
Eyes	Blue
Complexion	Fair
Occupation	Ray's Pest Control, Tioga, Louisiana
Residence	Route 1, Box 106, Dry Prong, Louisiana
Marital Status	Married
Relatives	Wife - ANNIE MARIE FONTENOT, nee HARPER Daughter - JANET FONTENOT, age 14 Daughter - POLLY ANN FONTENOT, age 11 Daughter - KATHLEEN FONTENOT, age 6
Military Service	United States Navy, April, 1946, to February, 1948, Honorable Discharge
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Additional names of Klansmen involved in the cross burning at Alexandria on November 2, 1964 set out. Klan activity in the greater Alexandria area at a standstill because of the arrest of Klansmen on night of November 2, 1964 and because of interviews of Klansmen by FBI. Former OKKKK Units now with the UKA. Several months ago secret meeting held with person from Lake Charles, probably ROTC instructor at McNeese College.

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(BOBBY MORGAN)

(GEORGE M. RICHARDS, JR.)

(BILL ROLLO)

(BOB DANIELS)

(SHORTY FOREMAN)

(Reverend JOHNSON)

(RODNEY CAPEL)

1 - 157- (BOBBY C. SULLIVAN)  
1 - 157- (FREDDIE W.  
SULLIVAN)  
1 - 157-286  
1 - 157- (CECIL CHAUDOIR)  
1 - 157- (PERRY ROLLO)  
1 - 157- (WARREN BENNETT)  
1 - 157- (SONNY HUTTON)  
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Alexandria, Louisiana

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About ten months ago a man was picked up in Kinder, Louisiana, for the purpose of passing information to the Klan. This man was from Lake Charles and might have been an ROTC instructor at McNeese College. This man would talk to no one but the head man of the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (OKKKK), Realm of Louisiana. For fear of an assassination attempt on a state officer, the KBI chief (ROBERT FULLER) from Monroe acted the part of the Grand Dragon and met this man in Kinder, Louisiana, where reportedly the State Police were acting as lookouts. When this man from Lake Charles was picked up he was switched from car to car as a security precaution until he was finally taken to FULLER. The reason for this meeting is unknown, but it could have concerned a deal wherein the Klan would be able to purchase arms and ammunition. The identity of those at this rendezvous are unknown, but reportedly (First Name Unknown) BAYLES, who may have the initials W.E. and who is described as 35 years old and who comes from Monroe, Louisiana, and was a Titan for the Northern part of the state, was at this meeting. SONNY HUTTON, who operates Sonny's Barbecue

on Mac Arthur Drive in Alexandria, was a member of Unit 809, but now may have resigned from the Klan; however, at the time of this meeting in Kinder, SONNY reportedly paid for some of the food eaten by those in attendance and that this bill came to about \$7.00. This food might well have been eaten at Sonny's Barbecue on Mac Arthur Drive.

During various Klan meetings Klansmen have been instructed to be respectable to FBI Agents who might interview them, but that the Klansmen should not admit anything and deny all allegations of Klan affiliation. Klansmen are not taken completely by surprise when the FBI calls on them. ROBERT LLOYD MORGAN, also known as Bobby Morgan, was recently interviewed by FBI Agents and, as a result of this interview, MORGAN is quite nervous and he is going to lay low and he does not intend to take any action regarding the Negroes who are trying to register at Bolton High School in Alexandria on January 21, 1965. MORGAN and MARVIN BRISTER were definitely members of the Tioga Unit of the OKKKK. Informant has seen MORGAN and BRISTER at Klan meetings held at the Ward 10 Sportsman's Club, which is now burned to the ground. The Ward 10 Sportsman's Club was the cover name for the Klan at Tioga, Louisiana. GEORGE M. RICHARDS, JR. is definitely in the Klan and was

in Unit 809. Informant had seen RICHARDS at Unit 809 meetings at the Alexandria Community Center and at the Capel Lumber Company on Mac Arthur Drive. RICHARDS was also at a special meeting of District 8 of the Klan, which was held within the last few months at a meeting place near Winnfield, Louisiana. This meeting within the last two months near Winnfield was the meeting wherein MARVIN BRISTER was instrumental in taking OKKKK Units and having them become part of United Klans of America, Inc. Under the United Klans of America, Inc. (UKA) set up MARVIN BRISTER is the Province Titan. At this meeting near Winnfield, there was a red haired, very short (under 5 feet) individual who ran a grocery store on the right hand side of the road as one comes into Williana, Louisiana. This individual may go by the initials J.C. He is about 35 or 40 years old and only weighs about 100 pounds. From his accent it appears that he originally came from New Orleans, Louisiana.

BILL ROLLO, the former Exalted Cyclops of Unit 809, died on November 27, 1964. About two weeks before ROLLO's death, Unit 809 held a meeting in the big storage room at Capel Lumber Company on Mac Arthur Drive in Alexandria. There were only about eleven or twelve members

present, including BOB DANIELS, the one-armed individual who works at the Libuse Garage, who has taken over as Acting Exalted Cyclops since the death of BILL ROLLO. Also present were SHORTY FOREMAN; Reverend JOHNSON; RODNEY CAPEL, the owner of the lumber company; and a black-haired boy who works with RODNEY CAPEL. At this meeting the members voted to break off from OKKKK and join with UKA. From this meeting Informant got the impression that the head state man in Louisiana for the UKA was (First Name Unknown) EDWARDS. Informant also noted that, as reported above, it was MARVIN BRISTER who was instrumental in having the OKKKK Units become part of the UKA and BOBBY MORGAN was the first one to turn in the old OKKKK Charter so that he could get into the UKA. Informant understands that (First Name Unknown) TAYLOR is some sort of a state officer in the UKA and that ROBERT SHELTON is the Imperial Wizard.

Informant did not know anything about an OKKKK Unit that might have been formed at Deville, Louisiana, under the leadership of BOBBY C. SULLIVAN and FREDDIE W. SULLIVAN.

Informant feels that the Klan is now very inactive and Informant does not believe OSCAR A. KIERUM, also known as Rookie, is presently active in the Klan movement. About

three weeks ago, BOB DANIELS made a statement concerning the Klan that everything was very quiet and the Informant overheard this statement.

Regarding the cross burnings in Alexandria on the evening of November 2, 1964, the crosses which were burned at Bolton High School and Rugg School were set by CECIL CHAUDOIR and LYNN FOREMAN's father, who uses the nickname Shorty. PERRY ROLLO, son of BILL ROLLO, was one of those setting the cross afire at Rosenthal School.

On November 2, 1964, when the crosses were being constructed at ROLLO's Antique Shop, an individual driving a white Ford with a whip antenna came by and picked up Klansman WARREN BENNET. At the time, ROLLO made the comment that the driver of this automobile was Rapides Parish Deputy Sheriff NUGENT.

In conclusion, Informant stated that at the present time things are extremely quiet because the Klansmen were so badly shaken up and disturbed after LYNN A. FOREMAN was arrested by the Alexandria City Police Department on the evening of November 2, 1964, after he was caught in the act of setting a cross on fire. To the best of Informant's knowledge, Unit 809 of the Klan is not holding any



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meetings at this time.

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UK rally scheduled for Monroe, La.  
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Remarks:

- 1 - 105-687 (UK, State of La.)
- 1 - 105-1057 (OKKK, State of La.)
- 1 - 157-2860 (TOMMY F. REAGAN)
- 1 - 157-2875 (MONROE UNIT, UK)

- 1 - 157-2873 (FARMERVILLE UNIT - UK)
- 1 - 157-2592 (MAJOR HICKMAN)
- 1 - 157-2880 (CHATHAM UNIT, UK)
- 1 - 157-2877 (MARION UNIT, UK)
- 1 - 157-3278 (HENRY LEE JOHNSON)
- 1 - 157-3289 (UK RALLY, 1/9/65, Ouachita Parish, La.)

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1 - 157-1374 (W. D. GAY)  
1 - 157-NEW (GILBERT WALTERS)

1 - 157-300 (ROBERT FULLER)  
1 - 157-3304 (COY NEAL)  
1 - 157-3318 (BILL WINDAM)  
1 - 157-NEW (CHARLES BEASLEY)  
1 - 157-1521 (MAURY MARTIN)  
1 - 157-NEW (JERRY HAYS)

1 - 157-3320 (L. L. TRUELOVE)

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On January 1, 1965

[redacted] conferred with W. D. GAY on January 1, 1965 at his residence in Ruston. GAY stated that he did not wish to bring his unit into the United Klan having already experienced the inadequacy of Doctor EDWARDS, who is the Grand Dragon of the state, and stated he would not consider bringing this unit back into the United Klan until EDWARDS was removed from office. He further advised that he did not know FRANK BARRON and did not know where he lived, but would have some of his members attempt to contact this individual relative to the report that he was hiring Negroes over whites.

[redacted] contacted a GILBERT WALTERS, who was formerly a member of the old Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan. WALTERS is now a member of the United Klan and has four members in his unit which meets every two weeks at Calhoun, Louisiana.

[redacted] WALTERS advised that the old Original Knights were completely disorganized and were not active in the Calhoun area. He said that they were completely discouraged with the Ku Klux Klan particularly in regard to the handling of finances by ROBERT FULLER, former KBI director for the old Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan in the state of Louisiana. He stated, however, he would arrange a meeting for the next week

On January 4, 1965

[redacted] should now join the old Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, in as much as the organization had been completely reorganized and ROBERT FULLER was now the Grand Dragon of the State of Louisiana.

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On Monday night, January 4, 1965 a meeting of the Monroe Unit of the United Klans of America was held at the residence of BILL WINDAM. Present at this meeting was COY NEAL, EC of the unit, SHERMAN ALLEN, Vice-EC of the unit, and 12 other members. The meeting began at approximately 8:00 P. M. with the swearing in of two members, CHARLES BEASLEY, who resides at Stone Avenue, Monroe, Louisiana, and CHARLES (LNU). With COY NEAL following the swearing in of the two new members discussed the forthcoming United Klan rally to be held in Ouachita Parish, Louisiana, on January 9, 1965. NEAL stated that he and the Great Titan, TOMMY REAGAN were hopeful of obtaining the West Monroe Rodeo grounds for the rally. He stated that ROBERT SHELTON was scheduled to be the principal speaker at the rally. He advised that no United Klans members of the Monroe area were to wear robes, but were to attend the rally and circulate through the crowd to determine the feeling. NEAL further advised that the United Klan was in desperate need of new members and a concentrated effort should be made by each member to determine if there were individuals where he worked which would qualify for United Klan membership. The meeting terminated at about 9:15 P. M. it being noted that BILL WINDAM and LEON SMUDRICK were not present.

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[REDACTED] to Marion, Louisiana, in order to attend a Unit meeting at that city. On arrival [REDACTED] telephoned someone and learned that the meeting had been changed from Tuesday to

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Thursday night. Consequently, the above three individuals returned to Monroe.

On January 6, 1965 [REDACTED]

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During the course of this conversation ROBERT FULLER stated

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[REDACTED] he was now the Grand Dragon who had completely reorganized the old Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan. He said the Old Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan now has three sections. The first section is composed of preachers, deacons, and church builders. He said that the Ku Klux Klan quit initiating in order to obtain membership in the local church leadership throughout Louisiana, in return these individuals would appear at church meetings and speak regarding the benefits which the Ku Klux Klan can render to the white people of Louisiana. He said that a speech would be given on January 6, 1965 at the Winnsboro Baptist Church located at 7 and Winnsboro Road by an individual belonging to the old Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan who would represent the klan in a favorable light to the church membership and therefore get the church membership behind the Old Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan. He said that these speeches would be given at the churches throughout the North Louisiana on a bi-monthly basis. FULLER continued by stating that the second section of the Old Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan is made up of regular klan members. He said the third section of the Old Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan would be the Women's Auxiliary, each women of course being a sworn member of the Old Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan. FULLER advised that he was now the Grand Dragon for the state of Louisiana and MAURY MARTIN has only four units left under his command.

It is noted that JERRY HAYS and JEFF (LNU), who are both employed by the Steel Motor Company in Monroe, Louisiana, are members of the Old Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan in Monroe. JERRY HAYS uses the same call letters on his citizens band radio as ROBERT FULLER. These call letters are KKKR4841 Unit 7. HAYS drives a blue GMC

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pickup.

It is also noted that FULLER instead of using Channel 1 on his citizens band radio for emergency purposes used Channel 15 which is also the channel that he uses in running sanitation business.

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On January 7, 1965 [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] drove to Ruston, Louisiana, to a meeting of the Ruston Unit [REDACTED]

The Klan meeting at Chatham, Louisiana, began approximately at 8:00 P. M., there being 9 members present, among which were Major HICKMAN and the four TRUELOVE brothers. L.L. TRUELOVE WAS the EC of the Unit and a discussion was entered into regarding the forthcoming United Klan rally to be held in the Monroe area, and that at least 5 klansmen from the Chatham Unit were to appear in Monroe at 7:30 P. M. on January 9, 1965 with robe. TRUELOVE talked at length about the Klansmen not contributing their dues as promised and stated that a greater effort should be made in the future to collect dues so that the United Klan could continue to function. A vote was taken by the Chatham Unit to oust HENRY LEE JOHNSON, inasmuch as he had been completely disagreeable in the past and it was felt by the Unit that he could not contribute to the United Klan in the Chatham area. TRUELOVE stated that he was not sure how much dues the state should get and he wanted this explained to him. He also stated that the Unit was not getting their copy of the United Klan newspaper the "Firey Cross".

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[REDACTED] advised that only 2 members showed up at the Ruston Unit meeting and that the 2 members stated that if more activity was not forthcoming they would drop out of the klan. [REDACTED] stated that he advised the 2 members who did show up that they should possibly join forces with the Farmersville Unit and keep their membership active. It was decided that a State Board Meeting of the United Klans Of America would be held in Ruston, Louisiana on January 15, 1965. It is noted that the Ruston Unit and the State Meetings are held in the same building located between Farmersville and Ruston on the property (FNU) BEAL.



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- 2 - 157-1057 (JAMES, known as 1a; RM)
  - 1 - 157-1291 (MURRAY MARTIN)
  - 1 - 157-1372 (HOUSTON MORRIS)
  - ① - 157-1300 (ROBERT FULLER)
  - 1 - 157-3694 (LOU SCARBOROUGH)
  - 1 - 157-1408 (IRVING RAYLES)
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There was a state-wide meeting of the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan held at Winnsboro, La., on 11/29/64 at which meeting MURRAY MARTIN was re-elected as Grand Dragon, defeating HOUSTON MORRIS by vote of 25 to 6.

After the above meeting, MURRAY MARTIN and others attending the meeting discussed the fact that ROBERT FULLER had claimed after the meeting that MURRAY MARTIN had told FULLER that FULLER was out of the Klan although it was stated that this was not true, that MARTIN had merely made a statement at the meeting that no other state officers would be elected at that time, but would be appointed at a later date.

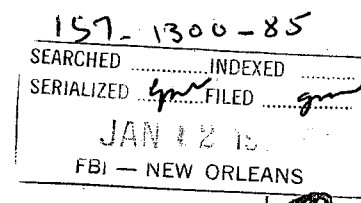
Efforts were allegedly made by LOY SCARBOROUGH who is not a member of the Klan but is a state investigator for the State Sovereignty Commission, IRVING BAYLES, former state officer but who is now out of the Klan and HOUSTON MORRIS to patch up the squabble between FULLER and MARTIN but without success. It was noted that soon after the above meeting, FULLER had become involved in a racial incident at the Monroe Recreation Center, and it was felt that he had thereby ruined his chances of continuing as a Klan leader in the OKKKK.

ROBERT FULLER had stated that he would organize a new Klan unit and attempt to take over the OKKKK from MURRAY MARTIN and believed he could obtain the assistance of HOUSTON MORRIS and several other leaders in the Klan. FULLER's plan was to make HOUSTON MORRIS the Imperial Wizard of the OKKKK and to use IRVING BAYLES as a political advisor to the group although BAYLES had stated that he definitely would not rejoin the Klan under its present leadership and organization.

LOY SCARBOROUGH had expressed an opinion to some Klansmen that it was not believed that HOUSTON MORRIS was capable of taking over the Klan and that probably MURRAY MARTIN would win out and continue as head of the OKKKK. SCARBOROUGH also stated that CHESTER COCKER, who is very close to MURRAY MARTIN in Winnsboro, La., has taken over as representative for SCARBOROUGH in SCARBOROUGH's bail bond business in Winnsboro, La.

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1 - 157-2713 (MONROE UNIT #1)  
1 - 157-2749 (MONROE UNIT #2)  
1 - 157-2871 (MONROE UNIT #3)  
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1 - 157- (MONROE UNIT #5)  
1 - 157-2725 (WEST MONROE UNIT #1)  
1 - 157-2744 (BROWNSVILLE UNIT)  
1 - 157-2751 (OKALOOSA UNIT)  
1 - 157-2717 (STERLINGTON UNIT #1)  
1 - 157- (SWARTZ UNIT)  
1 - 157-2724 (TALLULAH UNIT #1)  
1 - 157-2715 (VIDALIA UNIT #1)  
1 - 157-2714 (FERRIDAY UNIT #1)  
1 - 157-2721 (ICHOUDRANT UNIT)  
1 - 157-2716 (WINNSBORO UNIT #1)  
1 - 157-2755 (WINNSBORO UNIT #2)  
1 - 157-2770 (WINNFIELD UNIT #1)  
1 - 157-2778 (WINNFIELD UNIT #2)  
1 - 157-2773 (CAMPTI UNIT)  
1 - 157-2787 (BATON ROUGE UNIT #2)  
1 - 157-2788 (BATON ROUGE UNIT #3)  
1 - 157-2759 (DENHAM SPRINGS UNIT #1)  
1 - 157-2761 (ZACHARY UNIT #1)

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On November 29, 1964 a state wide meeting of the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan was held in Winnsboro, Louisiana, in order to elect a grand dragon. Thirty-one units from the State of Louisiana were represented and two condidates, MURRAY MARTIN, the present grand dragon, and HOUSTON MORRIS, present grand kleagle, ran for the office of grand dragon. MARTIN was re-elected receiving 25 votes to 6 for MORRIS.

As a result of this election MURRAY MARTIN decided against holding an election for other state officers at this time and made the announcement that other state officers would probably be appointed at a later time.

ROBERT FULLER of Monroe, was unhappy with the election procedure at the meeting and made the statement that 12 of the units in Ouachita Parish, Louisiana, would pull out of the organization.

The following persons were present at this election representing the following units:

<u>UNIT</u>	<u>E. C.</u>	<u>KBI</u>
Monroe Unit #1	JAMES C. OLIVER	(FNU) ODOM
Monroe Unit #2	JACK SAUCIER	JEWEL SAWYER (Game Agent)
Monroe Unit #3	BILLY ROPER	MIKE BATTAGLIA
Monroe Unit #4	JIMMY McLEMORE	UNKNOWN

<u>UNIT</u>	<u>E.C.</u>	<u>KBI</u>
Monroe Unit #5	J. W. BeMOSS	R. T. TURNER
West Monroe Unit #1	DON WILLS	CALVIN GUILLORY
Brownville Unit #1	SAMMY FOSTER	JIM McCLUNG
Okaloosa Unit #1	PAUL McKASKLE	R. T. TURNER
Sterlington Unit #1	WILLIAM GATES	GUY NOBLE
Swartz Unit #1	W. J. KIDD	JOHN PUCKETT
Collingston		
Bastrop Unit #2	(Red haired man)	
Archibald		
Tallulah Unit #1	DURWOOD WILHITE	RICHARD MARSHALL
Vidalia Unit #1	R. J. GLOVER	J. M. CALHOUN
Ferriday Unit #1	CHARLES DREW	JOE TEMPLE
Choudrant Unit #1	JACK SANDERSON	W. J. PRESNELL SECRETARY RIP PIPES JR.
Winnsboro Unit #1	EARL AMOS	ROY STEPHENS
Winnsboro Unit #2	R. F. POLK	JUNIOR BARFIELD
Winnfield Unit #1	J. D. JONES	(FNU) BASTO
Winnfield Unit #2	CLIFF STEWART	
Winnfield Unit #3	(FNU) NOEL	
Campiti	A. W. WITHERS	ROBERT BAYLES
Baton Rouge Unit #2	LESLIE BYRD	OTIS McKNIGHT
Baton Rouge Unit #3	ARTHUR JONES	JERRY CASTON
Baton Rouge Unit #4	UNKNOWN	UNKNOWN
Denham Springs Unit #1 (FNU)	MARTIN	BILLY SKIPPER

<u>UNIT</u>	<u>E.C.</u>	<u>KBI</u>
Gonzales Unit	(FNU) VALDEZE	UNKNOWN
Hammond Unit #1		
Watson Unit #1	(1 leged school teacher)	UNKNOWN
Zachary Unit #1	JACK PARKER	
Zachary Unit #2		

Other names mention as being present at the meeting were MARVIN RAMSEY, believed to be of Sterlington, Louisiana, and (FNU) FACE, possibly of Sterlington, Louisiana.

Source further stated that on December 2, 1964, ROBERT FULLER had stated that all the units from Ouachita Parish in the OKKKK with the exception of the Brownville Unit under SAMMY FOSTER and JIMMY McCLUNG were leaving MURRAY MARTIN. FULLER stated that he and HOUSTON MORRIS were attempting to get other units throughout the state to join in organizing a new group.

FULLER had also stated that new charters and membership cards were being printed by TOM GATES Printing Company, 3005 Oliver Road, Monroe, Louisiana, and that these charters and cards would be similar to that used by the Arkansas Units.



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Winnsboro, Louisiana. [redacted]  
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On December 6, 1964, [redacted] contacted the writer at

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He declined to identify these and emphasized that he was furnishing this information in strict confidence, did not desire his identity disclosed and that he would not testify to any of this information.

1 - 105-1057	(OKKKK)
① - 157-1300	(ROBERT FULLER)
1 - 157-1521	(MURRAY MARTIN)
1 - 157-811	(FRANKLIN PARISH)
1 - 157-1372	(HOUSTON MORRIS)
1 - 157-1731	(RUSSELL PRICE)
1 - 157-	(JOE FORD)
1 - 157-	(JACK SOUCIER)
1 - 157-	(JIM McCLUNG)
1 - 157-2744	(BROWNSVILLE UNIT)
1 - 105-687	(UKA)
1 - 157-457	(SHONGALOO UNIT)
1 - 157-457	(MINDEN UNIT)
1 - 157-2980	(KLAN WEAPONS)
1 - 157-3265	(LAKE CHARLES)
1 - 157-1408	(HENRY IRVIN BAYLES)
1 - 157-2987	(ROBERT ELLIS)
1 - 157-1694	(GRADY WILDER)
1 - 157-2077	(JERRY NOBLE)
1 - 157-	CHESTER COOKER)
1 - 157-2831	(BILLY SKIPPER)
1 - 157-3236	(MARVIN BRISTER)
1 - 157-1591	(BATON ROUGE)

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A meeting of the OKKKK was held on Sunday, November 29, at the STEPHENS farm, the regular meeting place of the Klan in Winnsboro, Louisiana. Only 31 units showed up at this meeting and MURRAY MARTIN had invited only 25 of these units to attend and ROBERT FULLER had brought six units from Monroe to represent the Monroe area, although these units had not been invited by MURRAY MARTIN. This meeting was scheduled in order to elect a Grand Dragon for the State of Louisiana for the OKKKK which election was held and MURRAY MARTIN was re-elected on a vote of 25 to 6, with the six votes going to HOUSTON MORRIS of Monroe.

ROBERT FULLER stated that after the meeting or after the election was over during the meeting MURRAY MARTIN had stated to all in attendance and specifically to FULLER that he, MARTIN, did not need FULLER or his group in the OKKKK any more. After the meeting was over, units from Baton Rouge, Louisiana, and some other units contacted FULLER concerning his heading another group to reorganize the OKKKK under his leadership and leaving MURRAY MARTIN out. It was also stated that RUSSELL McGEE called HOUSTON MORRIS from Bogalusa, Louisiana, and stated that all 41 units in the 6th province were with MORRIS and FULLER. According

to FULLER, JOE FORD, Grand Kleagle of South Louisiana, contacted FULLER and said that all units in the 6th district were with him.

After the above split, FULLER made the statement that the OKKKK in Louisiana was being reorganized with the following officers to take office, if such organization could be completed:

ROBERT FULLER - Grand Dragon for Louisiana and Arkansas for the remainder of 1964 and until such time a Grand Dragon for Arkansas could be selected.

HOUSTON MORRIS - would be an Imperial Officer and would eventually become Imperial Wizard of this group.

JACK SOUCIER - Grand Kligrapp

RUSSELL PRICE - Grand Klabee

JIM McCLUNG - Grand Klokkan (McCLUNG has not yet accepted this job)

ROBERT FULLER also stated that on Monday night after the Sunday meeting in Winnsboro, a group of about 13 units from the Monroe area met at the meeting place on Moore Road near Monroe, all united behind FULLER's leadership. It was also stated that FULLER had attempted to have HOUSTON MORRIS made the Grand Dragon but that MORRIS had declined to accept that position and FULLER had agreed

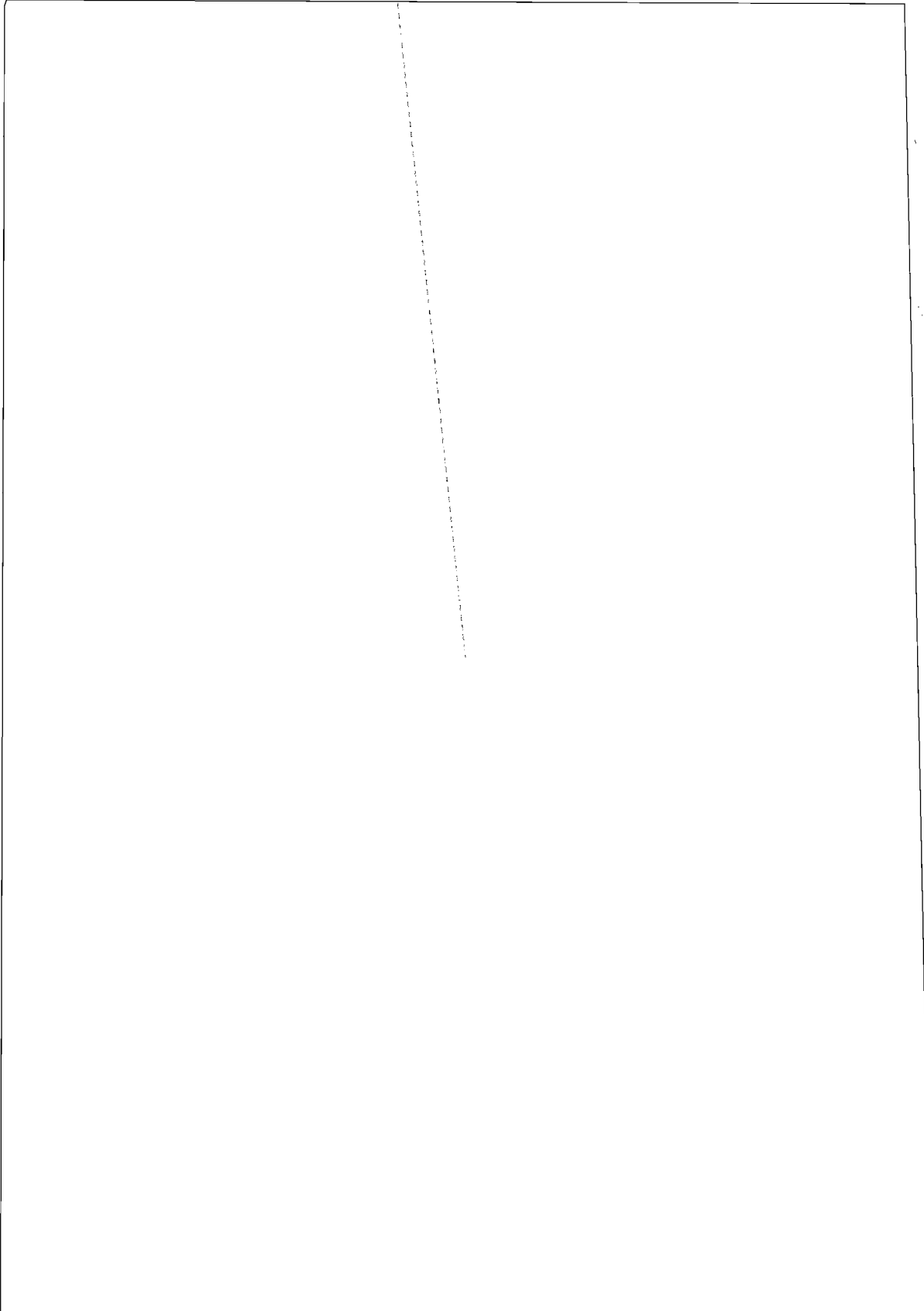
to accept it. Also under the new setup the new membership fee would be \$5.00 with \$1.00 going to the state and \$4.00 to remain in the unit. Monthly dues would be \$2.00 with \$1.00 going to the state and \$1.00 to the unit. Robes would cost \$10.00 each.

Source also furnished the following information:

SAMMY FOSTER, who is E. C. of the Brownsville Unit has been talking to the United Klan and efforts are being made to keep him from joining the United Klan but to stay with the Original Knights. It was also stated that leaders of the units at Shongaloo, Louisiana, specifically the H. H. "BOOTS" JOHNSTON Unit as well as the Minden, Louisiana Unit in which the E. C. is now (FNU) MARTIN who lives behind the drive-in in Minden Louisiana, contacted ROBERT FULLER on December 4, 1964, and stated that the above two units would join with FULLER in a reorganization. It was further stated that C. C. GASTON of the Homer, Louisiana Unit resided at Lisbon, Louisiana.

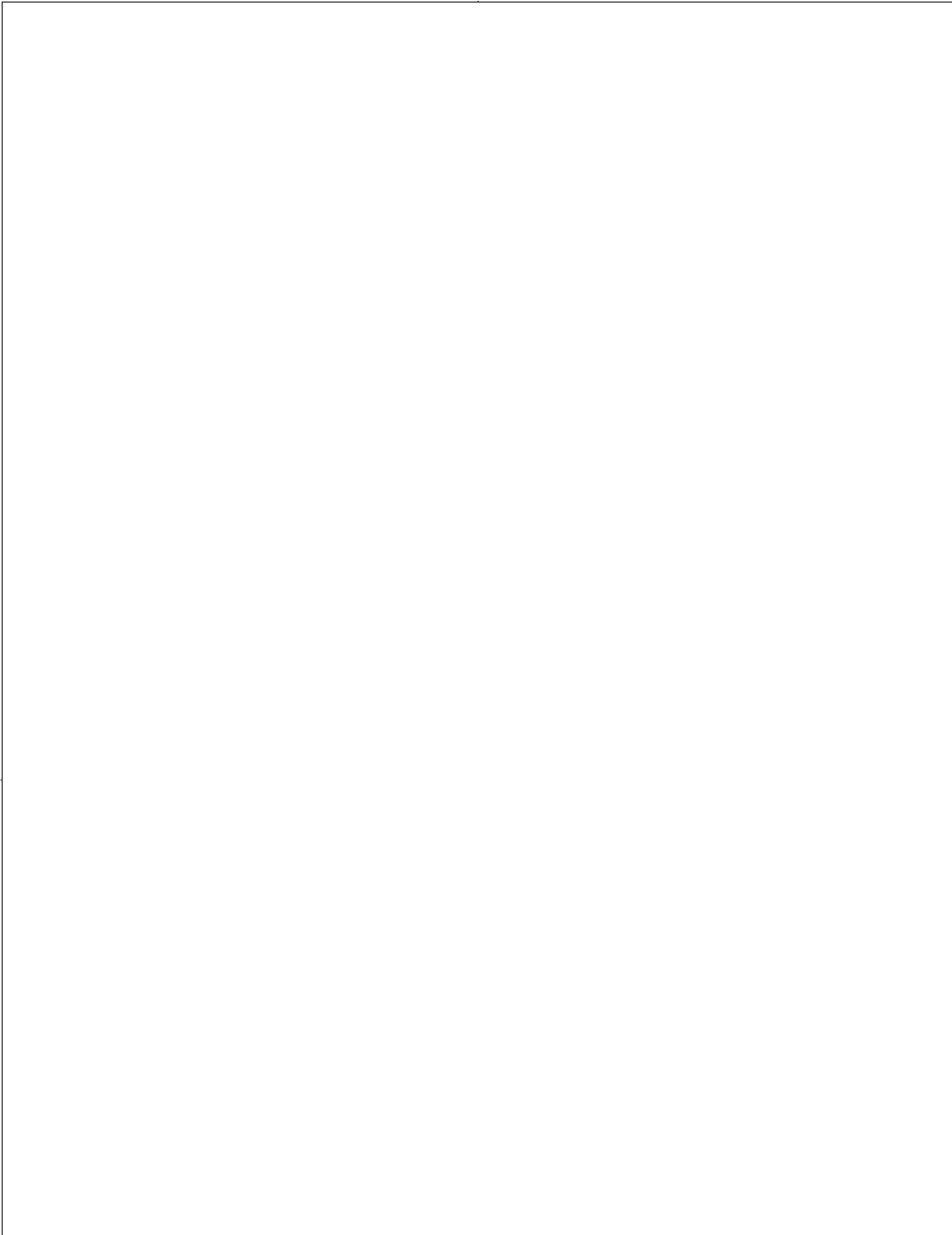
HOUSTON MORRIS had stated that MURRAY MARTIN had said that he, MARTIN, had a retired FBI Agent in the New Orleans area working for him.

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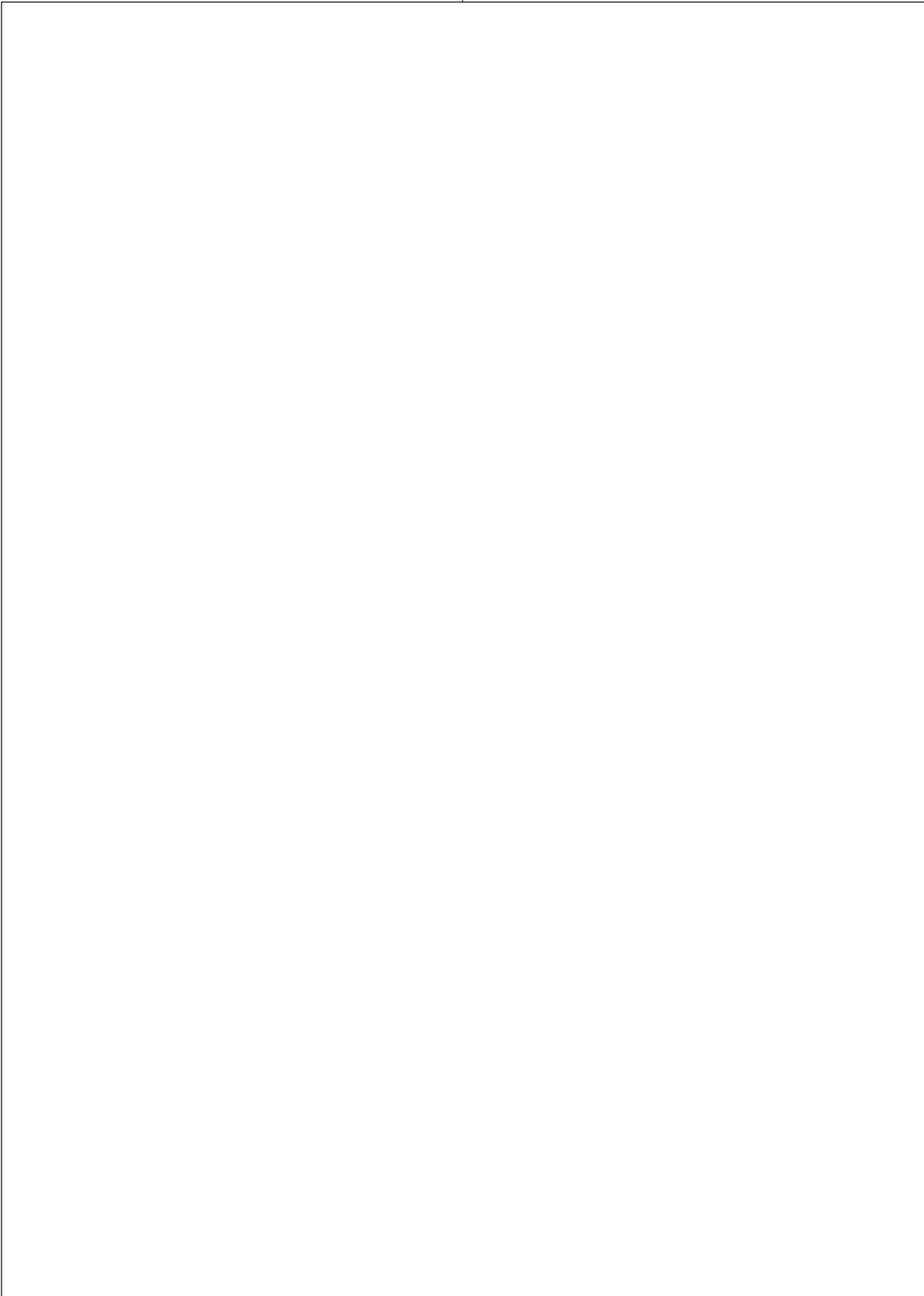


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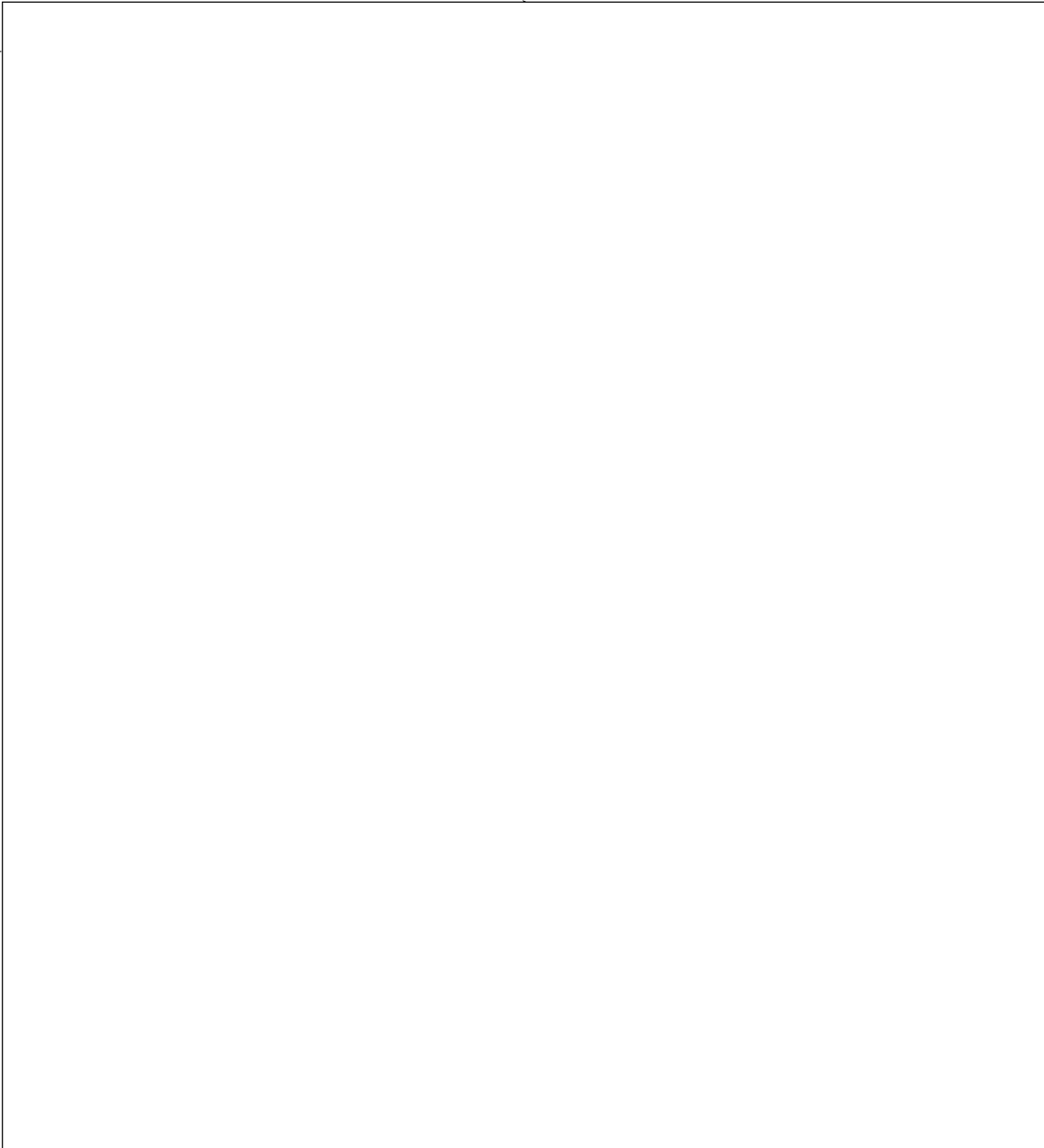
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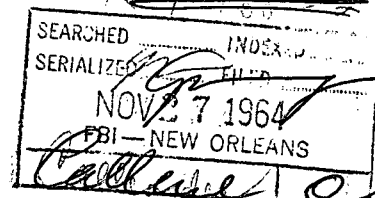
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Remarks:

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- 2 - 105-1057 (OKKKK)
  - 2 - 105-687 (UKA)
  - 2 - 157-2719 (OKKKK, Bastrop Unit #1)
  - ② - 157-188 (NKKKK)

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Monroe, La.  
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A meeting of leaders of the Klan units in Province #6 was held at Denham Springs, Louisiana, on Saturday night, October 26, 1964. Robert Fuller and Murray Martin attended. The split in the organization was discussed and 33 units which had broken away agreed to rejoin with Martin and paid their dues. Six other units refused to rejoin at this time.

A new unit was formed at Pollack, Louisiana, recently and (FNU) Barry, a farmer and cattleman is the Exalted Cyclops. C. D. Gates, who owns a drive-in and service station in Pollack, is the Vice President and D. E. Fuller of Dry Prong, Louisiana, is the political investigator. The unit was chartered in mid-September with 25 new members.

(FNU) Graham is reportedly the Vice President of the United Klan group in Monroe. He is employed at Greater Monroe Homes, Inc.

At the Province 5 meeting held in Winnsboro, Louisiana, November 15, 1964, E. Ray Coughran of Winnsboro was elected State Grand Treasurer to succeed Irning Bayles who has resigned. Coughran and L. G. Wilder, who is still Grand Secretary despite rumors of his having quit, will sign all checks in future. A check for \$100 payable to Robert Fuller, dated November 10, 1964, and drawn on the Winnsboro State Bank and Trust Company, was signed by the above two officers. This was only a partial

payment of money owed to Fuller, and Fuller and Murray Martin are having words over finances. Martin is refusing to pay Fuller the full \$500 a month Fuller is supposed to get, but pays Fuller a little at a time to try to keep him happy.

Tech. Sgt. Richard Holdiness of the Louisiana National Guard in Bastrop, Louisiana, has been a member of the OKKKK for over a year and was or is Secretary of Rinehart's unit.

District or Province meetings are held once a month. Province 5 meets the third Sunday on the farm on Roy Stephens in Winnsboro, Louisiana. Province 6 meets every second Sunday at Sidney Warner's chicken farm at Baton Rouge, Louisiana. Province 8 meets every fourth Sunday at the meeting place of unit #1 in Winnfield, Louisiana.

There will be a general meeting of all units in Winnsboro, Louisiana, on November 29, 1964, to elect a Grand Dragon. Houston Morris will oppose Murray Martin; and Robert Fuller, who is backing Morris, hopes to get enough votes to oust Martin. 86 units are expected to send delegates. All delegates will be carefully screened and searched before entering the meeting.

Herbert Sanford, Jr., of Route 1, Box 126, West Monroe, Louisiana, has been a member of the OKKKK for two years. He is not an officer but is a member and attends meetings of old unit #504.

James Venable of Atlanta, Georgia, is Secretary of the National Knights of the KKK and serves as Coordinating Secretary for a reported 200 different Klan organizations, each of which is supposed to send him \$10 per month.

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On 12/9/64 [redacted] advised that there was a state-wide meeting of the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan held at Winnsboro, La., on 11/29/64 at which meeting MURRAY MARTIN was re-elected as Grand Dragon, defeating HOUSTON MORRIS by vote of 25 to 6.

After the above meeting, MURRAY MARTIN and others attending the meeting discussed the fact that ROBERT FULLER had claimed after the meeting that MURRAY MARTIN had told FULLER that FULLER was out of the Klan although it was stated that this was not true, that MARTIN had merely made a statement at the meeting that no other state officers would be elected at that time, but would be appointed at a later date.

Efforts were allegedly made by LOY SCARBOROUGH who is not a member of the Klan but is a state investigator for the State Sovereignty Commission, IRVING BAYLES, former state officer but who is now out of the Klan and HOUSTON MORRIS to patch up the squabble between FULLER and MARTIN but without success. It was noted that soon after the above meeting, FULLER had become involved in a racial incident at the Monroe Recreation Center, and it was felt that he had thereby ruined his chances of continuing as a Klan leader in the OKKKK.

ROBERT FULLER had stated that he would organize a new Klan unit and attempt to take over the OKKKK from MURRAY MARTIN and believed he could obtain the assistance of HOUSTON MORRIS and several other leaders in the Klan. FULLER's plan was to make HOUSTON MORRIS the Imperial Wizard of the OKKKK and to use IRVING BAYLES as a political advisor to the group although BAYLES had stated that he definitely would not rejoin the Klan under its present leadership and organization.

LOY SCARBOROUGH had expressed an opinion to some Klansmen that it was not believed that HOUSTON MORRIS was

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capable of taking over the Klan and that probably MURRAY MARTIN would win out and continue as head of the OKKKK. SCARBOROUGH also stated that CHESTER COCKER, who is very close to MURRAY MARTIN in Winnsboro, La., has taken over as representative for SCARBOROUGH in SCARBOROUGH's bail bond business in Winnsboro, La.



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Meeting of OKKKK held 11/8/64 at  
Bogalusa, La.

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- 1 - 105-1057 (OKKKK)
  - 1 - 157- MARVIN FOSTER
  - 1 - 157-MURPHY WILLIAMS
  - 1 - 157-1319 (Bogalusa, La.)
  - 1 - 157-RUSSELL MC GEE
  - 1 - 157-2926 (ARVIS WARNER)
  - 1 - 157-1300 (ROBERT FULLER)
  - 1 - 157-1768 (MURRAY MARTIN)
  - 1 - 157-811 (Jackson Parish)
  - 1 - 157-1372 (HOUSTON MORRIS)
  - 1 - 157-3137 (HULAN DUNAWAY)
  - 1 - 157-2831 (BILLY SKIPPER)
  - 1 - 157-HAMMY LANE
  - 1 - 157-2930 (EDDIE DUBISON)
  - 1 - 157-3005 (H. A. GOINGS, Sr.)

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A meeting was held on November 8, 1964 at the Disabled American Veterans Hall, Bogalusa, Louisiana. This klan meeting was attended by klan units from Washington Parish, La. and individuals indicating that they were from Ponchatoula, Hammond and Amite, Louisiana, were also in attendance. No attempt was made to disguise this meeting as other than a klan meeting and that the meeting began at approximately 2:15 p.m., with about 75 or 80 persons in attendance. The meeting was opened by MARVIN FOSTER, who made the remark that representatives were in attendance from all the units in Washington Parish and that individuals from Ponchatoula, Hammond and Amite, La., were invited guests. FOSTER gave a talk and said that the klan could accomplish their aims and objectives through politics. FOSTER stated that when we used to knock the Negroes, the FBI came around. FOSTER stated that now that the klan is strictly a political organization, there is nothing the FBI can do. FOSTER said that when CORE comes back to Bogalusa, the klan will have to meet them on Columbia Street as before. This remark was in reference to the 4th of July when armed klansmen came to the downtown section of Bogalusa after word had been received that Negroes had integrated the lunch counter at Walgreens, the five and ten cent store.

MURPHY WILLIAMS, the Exalted Cyclops of Unit #2,

Bogalusa, was instructed to take the minutes of this meeting and as he started doing so, he made the remark that he needed a piece of carbon paper to make a copy for the FBI. This remark was not appreciated by many of the members in attendance at this meeting.

RUSSELL MC GEE, the head of the klan in Washington Parish and the former klan coordinator for the 6th Louisiana Congressional District of the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (OKKKK), stated that a new constitution should be prepared for the Washington Parish klan, since klan units in Washington Parish have left the state organization. The klan units in Washington Parish have merely ~~been~~ referred to themselves as the Washington Parish Ku Klux Klan since their separation from the State Organization. MARION FOSTER, an individual by the name of FISHER (FNU) and a third unknown individual, were appointed to prepare the new constitution. FISHER resides in the Terrace section of Bogalusa and is about 48 - 50 years of age, 6'2", 190 lbs., and is believed to work for the Gaylord Container Corporation in Bogalusa. A discussion of the proposed constitution was held which lasted approximately  $\frac{1}{2}$  hour and it was decided that the three individuals would draw up this constitution and then send copies to all of the klan units in Washington Parish and to other klan units in the 6th Congressional District, which units might want to split with state organization and join the Washington Parish klan. The

members of these units would then refer suggested changes to the constitution at the next meeting on 11/22/64. All units would then take a vote on whether to accept the new constitution. This meeting is to be held at Sheridan, La.

RUSSELL MC GEE stated that the new constitution should show that the organization is a non-profit organization and there should not be any reference to the Ku Klux Klan in the constitution and the name of the organization should be left out and could be inserted at a later date. MC GEE stated that by leaving out any reference to the klan, this would keep the new constitution from being cited as a subversive organization. MC GEE stated that the new constitution would be filed with the secretary of ~~the~~ State's Office at Baton Rouge. MC GEE stated that the assistance of a lawyer was desired in drawing up this new constitution.

FISHER, previously mentioned, made the statement that there was a secret member of the klan who was a lawyer and that this lawyer would be contacted to help draw up the new constitution. The name of this lawyer was not given, however, from conversation among the members, it is believed that that the lawyer may be ROBERT T. RESTER, the City Attorney of Bogalusa.

Next a discussion was held regarding klan security. RUSSELL MC GEE stated that the klan meeting place has been

obviously bugged by the FBI inasmuch as the FBI knows everything which is said at the meetings. MC GEE stated that he knows this to be a fact because when being interviewed on previous occasions by the FBI, they have related information to him of events which have transpired at meetings.

The subject of FBI informers then came up and MC GEE said he had been accused of being an informer for the FBI, however, this was absurd and that he would be willing to take a sodium penothal test under the supervision of a doctor in order to prove that he was not an FBI informer. MC GEE stated that the klan is making arrangements to obtain and use lie detectors in an effort to ferret out informers.

MC GEE mentioned that a new password is needed for the members and ARVIS WARNER was appointed to make up new passwords. The old password was "kasog" which means klansmen, a servant of god. The reply was "kodok", which means klansmen, on duty of klavern. Thereafter a discussion was held as to the reasons why the klan units in Washington Parish had decided to defect from the state organization and also why other klan units in the 6th District had been contacted to join the Washington Parish klan group. MC GEE stated that one of the prime reasons for this split was the obvious misappropriation of klan money on the part of the leaders of the state organization. MC GEE said that he had proof that ROBERT FULLER, had



spent over \$1,700 on his personal automobile, which money was klan money. MC GEE said the other reason was a complete lack of leadership and foresight on the part of the state officers. He said the state officers should have anticipated that the FBI would investigate the klan, therefore should have set up some type of program to counteract the FBI investigation.

At this point in the meeting, an unknown individual arose and stated that he was from Ponchatoula, Louisiana. He was a white male, age approximately 34 - 37, 5'10", dark complexion, 250 lbs., with a very fat and round face. He said that the reason he had come to this meeting was to find out for himself as to what was going on regarding the split in the klan. He said that he wanted to hear firsthand the reasons from the units in Washington Parish.

He stated that on 11/7/64, he and numerous Exalted Cyclops from the 6th Louisiana Congressional District had met at the Owens Motel at Winnsboro, Louisiana. At this meeting MURRAY MARTIN, the Grand Dragon and ROBERT FULLER, the head of the KBI, met with the members. Members in attendance were from the various klans in the 6th District except Washington Parish. He said the purpose of this meeting was an effort on the part of MARTIN and FULLER to keep the rest of the units in the 6th District within the state organization and from defecting and joining the Washington Parish klan. He stated that MARTIN and FULLER showed him financial statements which

showed that the Washington Parish klan units had not been sending in their dues, and that RUSSELL MC GEE was attempting a power grab and wanted to take over the leadership of the OKKKK. This individual stated that HOUSTON MORRIS had completely resigned from the klan.

This individual stated that another meeting was scheduled to be held at the Owens Hotel in Winnsboro, La. on either 11/28 - 29/64, at which elections would be held for new state officers of the OKKKK and that each Exalted Cyclops in the 6th District as well as other districts, would subsequently receive a letter informing them of the date, time and place of the meeting.

After this individual finished speaking, RUSSELL MC GEE stated that in reference to HOUSTON MORRIS, and the fact that he quite the klan, that this was a lie as he had heard a few days earlier the same rumor and had called MORRIS on the phone to ask him if this was true and he had denied that he had quite the klan. MC GEE stated that he was aware that the state officers had accused him of a power grab, however, this was not true.

HULAN DUNAWAY rose and stated that on 11/5/64, BILLY SKIPPER from Denham Springs, La., had visited him in Bogalusa on orders from the state officers to check on MC GEE, and the reasons why the Washington Parish klan units had left

the state organization. DUNAWAY had told SKIPPER that MC GEE had nothing to do with the split, that MC GEE was interested in keeping the klan together and the reason why the units in the Parish had left the state organization was because of their dissatisfaction with the state officers.

Thereafter, a discussion of finances was held, and HAMMY LANE, the Exalted Cyclops of Unit no. 3, Bogalusa, stated that his unit had never chartered with the state organization and as a result, his unit had kept all of the money collected from the members and now has on hand, over \$1,000.

MARVIN FOSTER then stated that the klan had incurred over \$700 in unpaid bills as a result of their supporting CRAWFORD in the recent Congressional Election. These bills were for loud speaker systems, literature, etc., and that prior to the election, CRAWFORD had told the klan that he would reimburse any money spent on his behalf. FOSTER stated that he has been attempting to locate CRAWFORD for the money, has placed several phone calls to CRAWFORD's residence, however, apparently CRAWFORD is not going to reimburse the money as he refuses to answer the telephone.

EDDIE DUBISON and H. A. GOINGS, Sr., acted as guards at this meeting and were armed with firearms. The following individuals were not observed at this meeting:



JACK BURKE; ALBERT APPLEWHITE, LAVERN STRAHAN, LEROY SEALS,  
ERIC PETERSON, BUSTER ELLIS, KINCH MILLEY and RAYFORD DUNAWAY.

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On July 3, 1963, ROBERT FULLER, the Grand Kleagle of the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of Louisiana (OKKKK), and ROYAL V. YOUNG, the Grand Dragon of the OKKKK in Louisiana made a trip to Brookhaven, Mississippi, for the purpose of installing state officers of the OKKKK of Mississippi. The following officers were installed by FULLER and YOUNG at a mass meeting of an estimated 1,100 Klansmen, including 300 Exaulted Cyclops' and officers:

DOUGLAS BYRD	Grand Dragon
JACK SEALE	Grand Kleagle
ERNEST GILBERT, JR.	First Assistant Grand Kleagle
"TINY" LEWIS	Second Assistant Grand Kleagle
(FNU) WOMACK	Office unknown
(FNU) MC FARLAND	Office unknown

Some of the above are further identified by the following Natchez, Mississippi, telephone numbers or places of employment as of July, 1963:

JACK SEALE	Phone 442-2412
(FNU) MC FARLAND	Phone 422-6935

(FNU) WOMACK

Phone 442-1295

"TINY" LEWIS

Owner of barbeque  
place in Natchez

Also sworn into the Klan by FULLER and YOUNG or by FULLER and J. D. SWENSON, Organizer for OKKKK in Louisiana in about July, 1963, at Brookhaven, Mississippi, were Sheriff CASTON (phonetic) from a county near Natchez, CASTON's brother and father, names unknown. Sheriff CASTON's father refused the position of Grand Dragon of Mississippi as he said he was too old for the job. Also Chief ROBERTSON (phonetic) of the Natchez, Mississippi, Police Department, and HOWARD JETTER, Jetter Construction Company, Natchez, phone 442-6599, who was a big finance supporter of the Klan although not an officer.

Reverend MC LEMORE is reported to be the present Grand Dragon of the White Knights of the Ku Klux Klan in Mississippi and a (FNU) MC DANIEL is a Provincial Giant. (FNU) BAILEY and (FNU) STRAHAN of McComb, Mississippi, who were recently vying for control of the Klan in the State of Mississippi, have allegedly quit the Klan.

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New Orleans, Louisiana

October 31, 1964

ORIGINAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN

A confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on October 27, 1964, that a meeting of the members of the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (OKKKK) from Washington Parish, Louisiana, was held on October 25, 1964, at the Disabled American Veterans Hall, Bogalusa, Louisiana. Members of the OKKKK from St. Tammany and Tangipahoa Parishes also attended this meeting as guests and observers.

This meeting started at approximately 2:15 PM with about 125 individuals present. The purpose of this meeting was to call together members of all of the Klan units in Washington Parish to determine if these units wanted to defect from the state organization of the OKKKK and to operate separately and independently of the state organization.

Russell McGee, the co-ordinator of the Klan activities of the OKKKK for the 6th Louisiana Congressional District, told those present that the Klan units in Washington Parish and other parishes in the 6th District were not getting any cooperation or support from the state officers of the OKKKK. McGee related that friction had developed among these state officers but did not indicate what this friction was about. McGee did make the statement that Robert Fuller, who is the chief of the Klan Bureau of Investigation (KBI) was "in trouble." McGee did not further amplify on this statement.

According to this same source, McGee made the following proposal to the members present. The Klan in Washington Parish should, for all intents and purposes, cease being known as a Klan group in order to create a more favorable public image and should reorganize under the name of the "Interdenominational Church Association." McGee stated that the present Klan units and the organizational structure would remain the same; however, the group would be known as a church group and, in so doing, would be able to get more public support and that the FBI or local law enforcement agencies would not dare to investigate a church organization.

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McGee proposed that the present meeting places of the various Klan units place a cross above the entrance to their meeting places and also erect a sign inscribed "Interdenominational Church Association," which would be attached to the outside of each meeting place. McGee stated that meetings to be held in the future would no longer be known as Klan meetings, but merely "church services."

This same confidential source stated that after McGee made the above proposal a heated discussion was held among the members and subsequently a vote was taken regarding McGee's proposal. The members from Washington Parish only, who were the only persons present allowed to vote, voted down McGee's proposal. However, the members present did vote to withdraw from the state organization of the OKKKK and to continue to operate independently as a Klan group. Russell McGee was voted as the Grand Dragon for Washington Parish, Louisiana, and Jack Burke was voted to be placed in charge of all of the Exalted Cyclops of the various Klan units in Washington Parish.

The members also voted to extend invitations to the other Klan units in St. Tammany Parish and other parishes in the Louisiana 6th Congressional District to leave the state organization and to join with Washington Parish.

This same confidential source stated that Dewey Smith, a Klan member of Bogalusa, Louisiana, was appointed to draw up a new constitution and instructed to seek legal advice before drawing up this constitution. This same source related that Russell McGee made the statement that the reason for increased FBI activity in Washington Parish in relation to interviewing of Klan members was strictly political, inasmuch as the Klan had been hurting the campaign of incumbent Congressman James Morrison, of the 6th District, as well as the campaign of President Johnson. McGee also told the members that they should not be surprised if more Klansmen were arrested in the state and claimed that the United States Army was periodically sending U-2 flights over the various Klan meeting places in the 6th Louisiana Congressional District.

McGee urged all of the members to infiltrate the school boards, PTA groups, and other organizations in their local areas.

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At the conclusion of the meeting, McGee told the members present that he had been recently interviewed by the FBI, at which time the FBI had told him practically word for word what he had said at the last district meeting. As a result of this interview, it was evident that someone was either attending these meetings with a recording device, or the klan meeting place was "bugged." As a result of this statement, all of the persons present at this meeting, upon leaving the meeting hall, were physically searched for any type of a recording device and the building in which this meeting took place was also searched for a similar type device.



A characterization of the OKKKK is attached.

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APPENDIX

ORIGINAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN  
(LOUISIANA)  
(OKKKK)

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A source advised on October 25, 1963, that in December, 1960, a group was organized at Shreveport, Louisiana, known as the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (OKKKK). The purpose of this organization was to promote Americanism, white supremacy, and the maintaining of segregation.

This source further advised on October 25, 1963, that the OKKKK continues to be active and that the aims and purposes continue to be the same.

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SA JOHN C. MC CURNIN, II

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[redacted] At the time of this interview [redacted] stated he was not a member of the Klan. However, information from [redacted] which this source advised was from a source of unknown reliability, indicated [redacted] was a member of the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan. [redacted] advised this agent in August, 1964 that he had no knowledge regarding Klan activities in the Northern Louisiana area.

Upon being recontacted on instant date, [redacted] stated he had joined the Ku Klux Klan (Original Knights) in [redacted] and had terminated his membership in late [redacted]. He stated that he quit this organization because of the way finances were being handled by ROBERT FULLER and further because he thought the Klan was accomplishing nothing in the Monroe, Louisiana, area regarding segregation. He also stated the Klan group of which he was a member appeared to have numerous "Hotheads" in the group, and he was against the use of violence in solving problems in Monroe, particularly after his last interview with the FBI. He stated he was first contacted by the Klan in late 1962 in the person of one (FNU) JOHNSON, who he had heard was the Exalted Cyclops of the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan in the Monroe, Louisiana, area. He stated he was again contacted in [redacted] by [redacted] who according to [redacted] was sent by FULLER in order to get him to join. [redacted] he was again approached by [redacted] and at that time agreed to join. He stated that he attended four meetings until the time he quit the OKKKK. He advised that the greatest

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number of Klansmen at any one meeting was in the neighborhood of thirty, which he stated was just prior to his quitting the organization. He stated only six Klansmen were present at the first meeting he attended.

[redacted] continued by stating that at each meeting that he attended ROBERT FULLER was present and appeared to be the leader of the group. He stated that the members of the group were continually trying to pin down FULLER regarding where Klan money was being placed and how much was on account. [redacted] said that FULLER continually avoided the issue, which resulted in many members quitting the organization entirely and others joining the United Klans of America.

He stated that, when he was first approached by [redacted] to join, he was advised that the OKKKK was re-organizing. [redacted] stated that one J.D. SWENSON in Shreveport, Louisiana, had stolen Klan money and the Klan was forming new leadership. [redacted] stated at this time that all this had been straightened out and suggested to [redacted] that it would be beneficial to [redacted] to join the Klan at that time. [redacted] stated that he advised [redacted] that he would have to think about his proposition. [redacted] stated that, on being recontacted by [redacted] he decided to join the Klan based on the current racial situation and the fact that the Klan promised to use political means in order to accomplish their goals.

[redacted] said he attended Klan meetings in a building which was located on the property of JAMES OLIVER, which is located outside the City of Monroe, Louisiana. He further advised that it was his understanding that OLIVER leased this property to the Klan. Also [redacted] recalled that OLIVER was present at the four Klan meetings which he attended.

[redacted] stated that at each meeting which he attended the OKKKK was taking in new members and, therefore, everyone wore hoods and he did not see any other members. He further stated that, when he was introduced to another Klansman, it was usually by the first or last name. [redacted] stated that his fellow Klansmen were non-committal regarding anything relating to their identity.

[redacted]

He stated that Klansmen generally have "Rebel" flag plates on the front of their cars and,

[redacted] during the past state election, supported KENNON for Governor and, therefore, might still have KENNON stickers on their cars. He also stated that many Klansmen have citizens band radios in their automobiles.

[redacted] stated that, prior to quitting the OKKKK, he was approached by three individuals who requested him to join the United Klan. He stated he did not know these individuals, but presumed they had formerly belonged to the OKKKK and were recruiting membership. [redacted] stated he declined to join because he was disgusted with the Klan, as it appeared to him to be a money making organization with the money falling into the hands of the few.

[redacted] described the three individuals who approached him to join the United Klans of America as follows:

1. This individual was the spokesman of the group.

Race:	White
Sex:	Male
Nationality:	American
Age:	35 to 38
Height:	6'
Weight:	200 pounds
Hair:	Black and wavy
Appearance:	Well dressed and appeared educated.

2.

Race:	White
Sex:	Male
Age:	26 to 28
Weight:	160 pounds
Height:	5'10" to 5'11"
Hair:	Brownish-blond

3.

Race:	White
Sex:	Male
Age:	20
Weight:	150 pounds
Height:	5'10"
Build:	Thin
Hair:	Auburn

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[redacted] stated he had no knowledge relative to the Rayville sit-in by the Klan, but was quite sure that ROBERT FULLER and ABE ALLEN led and participated in the Klan sit-in at the Rendezvous Restaurant in Monroe, Louisiana, although he was not present and had not been asked to take part in this activity.

[redacted]

[redacted] stated he would be willing to assist the FBI in both Criminal and Racial matters. He further indicated an interest in rejoining the Klan in order to obtain information for the FBI. He stated, by virtue of his position in Monroe, he would be in an ideal situation in order to obtain information relative to both racial and criminal matters.

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AIR MAIL

TO: SAC, NEW ORLEANS (105-1057)  
FROM: SAC, LITTLE ROCK (105-89) P  
SUBJECT: ORIGINAL KNIGHTS OF THE KKK  
OF LOUISIANA  
RM  
OO: New Orleans

Re New Orleans airtel to Little Rock, 9/1/64.

The following investigation was conducted by  
SA LAWRENCE J. NELSON.

On 9/9/64 Chief of Police IVAN BARRETT, Crossett,  
Arkansas, furnished the following information.

At approximately midnight during the night of  
8/19-20/64 approximately 7 crosses were burned in, and in  
the immediate vicinity of, Crossett, Arkansas. BARRETT  
stated that the crosses were apparently burned virtually  
simultaneously, which indicated to him that there were a  
minimum of 3 to 4 automobiles being used by the organization  
which did the burning. BARRETT stated that the locations  
of the burnings did not indicate that a particular person,  
family, group, or business was being singled out for  
purposes of a "warning." The crosses were burned on  
highway shoulders, vacant parking lots, and uninhabited  
areas. BARRETT advised that, in his opinion, the cross  
burners were not in Crossett for more than 30 minutes that  
evening, and that they did nothing other than burn crosses.  
No eyewitnesses to any of the burnings have come forward,  
and BARRETT stated that it is impossible to say with any  
certainty just who burned these crosses.

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On the next evening, which was August 20, 1964, approximately 3 carloads of people came to Crossett in cars bearing Louisiana licenses. It is BARRETT's opinion that these visitors were some of the same men who had come on the 19th, or at least men from the same organization. On the night of the 20th, no crosses were burned. The Louisiana cars apparently just cruised around Crossett and finally parked in the parking area of the Country Kitchen, a restaurant located on U. S. Highway 82 within the city limits of Crossett.

BARRETT advised that on both the evenings of 8/19/64 and 8/20/64, he requested the assistance of the Sheriff's Office at Hamburg, Arkansas, in regard to handling this matter. He stated that Sheriff GUY MORMAN and Deputy Sheriff E. G. SPARKS handled this matter and that they would be a much better source of information regarding the identities of the persons involved. BARRETT stated that he did not personally interview any of the men from Louisiana.

On 9/9/64 Patrolman E. G. SPARKS, Crossett Police Department, was interviewed. SPARKS advised that on August 19 and 20, 1964, he was a Deputy Sheriff in the Ashley County Sheriff's Office, but that he has since resigned that position, and is now a patrolman on the Crossett PD.

SPARKS related a similar account of the occurrences on 8/19-20/64 with the following additional items of information.

The Negro leaders in Crossett, during July and August, 1964, have held at least 2 conferences with representatives of the Crossett Chamber of Commerce regarding the implementation of the provisions of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 as they relate to the use of public accommodations and public facilities. Another of these meetings was scheduled for the night of 8/20/64. SPARKS stated that it is his opinion that some persons in Crossett felt that members of the Negro community were planning to seek service at various restaurants in Crossett before or after this meeting on 8/20/64, and



that a person or persons unknown, contacted members of the KKK in Louisiana and requested assistance by the KKK for the purpose of intimidating Negroes who attempted to integrate these restaurants. SPARKS advised that this is speculation on his part, but that he believes that LUTHER DENSON of Crossett, the owner of the Country Kitchen, contacted Klan members in Louisiana for this purpose. SPARKS noted that on the evening of 8/20/64 after cruising around Crossett, the Louisiana cars congregated in the Country Kitchen's parking area. SPARKS advised that he and Sheriff GUY MORMAN approached these cars and inquired from the men in the cars what their purpose was in being in Crossett. He stated that these men would only give their names and addresses and would say nothing about their reasons for being in Crossett. SPARKS stated that Sheriff MORMAN relieved various cars of four guns, but that two of the guns were returned to their owners that evening and that the other two were retained by Sheriff MORMAN, who later returned the guns to 2 men who came to Hamburg to retrieve the guns. SPARKS advised that he believes that there were 3, or possibly 4, cars in this Louisiana group.

SPARKS advised that he has retained no notes in this matter. He advised that Sheriff MORMAN has all the notes and that he is the best source to contact regarding the identities of the men involved.

On 9/10/64 Sheriff GUY MORMAN, Hamburg, Arkansas, was interviewed. He furnished substantially the same information as that furnished by BARRETT and SPARKS, with the following additional items:

On the evening of 8/20/64 he came to the parking lot of the Country Kitchen in Crossett where he met B. G. SPARKS, who was then one of his deputies. They questioned the occupants of these cars and got some names and addresses of the occupants. MORMAN also obtained the license numbers of the cars. He advised that the men would say nothing about their purpose in being in Crossett.

MORMAN advised that his notes were taken in hurried fashion and that he is not sure which men were

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in which car, but that he obtained the following names, addresses, and license numbers:

HOUSTON MORRIS, Monroe or Bonita, Louisiana;

J. W. GOLEMAN, address not given;

E. W. BURGE, Bastrop, Louisiana;

WILLIAM TERRY, 321 Main Street, Fairbanks, Louisiana;

JIMMY MOREHEAD, 817 Haynes, West Monroe, Louisiana;

GUS PUTTICK, address not given;

W. J. KIDD, Swartz, Louisiana.

License numbers obtained (all Louisiana) were 77F582, 63F343, and 61F877. MORMAN advised that to the best of his knowledge, these men were the entire group which came up from Louisiana, on 8/20/64. He stated, however, that one or more carloads could have been there and gotten away as the Sheriff approached.

Sheriff MORMAN advised that no arrests were made in this matter. He stated, however, that he took 2 guns away from the Louisiana men. To the best of his recollection, he took a .22 caliber pistol from WILLIAM TERRY and one other gun (description not recalled) from the car occupied by W. J. KIDD. MORMAN stated that two other guns were confiscated from this group but not by him. They were apparently confiscated by some member of the Crossett PD and then returned the same night.

Sheriff MORMAN advised that he told the Louisiana men either to go home or go to jail, and they left Crossett, Arkansas.

Sheriff MORMAN further advised that in the car occupied by KIDD he found a small metal file box. In this box was a long list, 4 or 5 typewritten pages, which appeared to be some sort of membership list. MORMAN advised that he recalls nothing more about this list and that he did not look at it long enough to enable him to remember any of the names on it. MORMAN stated that because he felt that he had no legal right to retain this list, he handed it back to KIDD. Also found in one of the cars was some sort of organization or instructional manual for the KKK. MORMAN advised that he recalls nothing else about this manual. He stated that he kept this manual and later gave it to some person. He cannot recall whom he gave it to, but he believes it was a member of the Arkansas State Police. He advised that Mr. W. T. BOWLING, Agent for the National Automobile Theft Bureau, was in Hamburg at this time investigating a truck theft, accompanied by some member of the Arkansas State Police. MORMAN advised that he gave this manual to this Arkansas State Police representative.

MORMAN stated that on 8/24/64 E. W. BURGE and ROBERT FULLER called upon Sheriff MORMAN at Hamburg, Arkansas. FULLER produced a business card which stated that ROBERT FULLER is an investigator for the Christian Constitutional Crusaders, with an address of 1500 Sunset Drive, Monroe, Louisiana, telephone 325-1421.

BURGE and FULLER apologized to MORMAN concerning the activities at Crossett on the evenings of 8/19 and 20/64. They advised that they thought the visits to Crossett "had been cleared with law enforcement officers at Crossett." MORMAN advised that this was definitely not the case. MORMAN stated that through this conversation, FULLER and BURGE strictly avoided any reference to the name of the organization which was involved in the cross burnings at Crossett. FULLER told MORMAN that "we have 1200 members" in Ashley County, Arkansas. MORMAN asked FULLER who "we" meant in this case, and FULLER would not reply. MORMAN advised that he cannot say whether FULLER was referring to the Christian Constitutional Crusaders or some other organi-

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zation. FULLER told MORMAN that MORMAN "was going to have trouble with the Negroes" in Ashley County. MORMAN told FULLER that any trouble could be handled by Arkansas authorities and he desired no more Louisiana people to come to Ashley County for the purpose of agitating Ashley County citizens. MORMAN at that time returned to BURGE the 2 guns which he had confiscated at Crossett on 8/20/64.]

MORMAN advised that he has not been aware of any Klan activity being carried on in Ashley County in recent years. He stated that apparently some person, or persons, in this county has been in contact with the Klan in Louisiana. He advised that 2 outspoken segregationists in Crossett are LUTHER DENSON, the proprietor of the Country Kitchen, and JAMES MC CLAIN, a small contractor. In MORMAN's opinion, these 2 men may have been behind the cross burnings in Crossett, Arkansas.

LEAD:

LITTLE ROCK

AT NORTH LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS

Will contact NATB Agent W. T. BOWLING, 915 Garland Avenue, and ascertain if he can furnish any additional information regarding above incident and determine which member of the Arkansas State Police was with him in the Hamburg-Crossett, Arkansas, area on or about 8/20/64. This ASPOL member may have received from Sheriff MORMAN the Klan manual referred to above.