

**FREEDOM OF INFORMATION
AND
PRIVACY ACTS**

**SUBJECT: BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA SIXTEENTH
STREET BAPTIST CHURCH
BOMBING/SEPTEMBER 15, 1963**

PART 11 OF 11



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COVER SHEET

SUBJECT: BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA
SIXTEENTH STREET BAPTIST CHURCH
BOMBING/SEPTEMBER 15, 1963

PART 11 OF 11

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
FREEDOM OF INFORMATION/PRIVACY ACTS SECTION
COVER SHEET

SUBJECT: BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA
SIXTEENTH STREET BAPTIST CHURCH
BOMBING/SEPTEMBER 15, 1963

JUNE MAIL

Date of Mail 10-8-63

Has been removed and placed in the Special File Room of Records Branch.

See File 66-2554-7530 for authority.

Subject JUNE MAIL *Bapkom*

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File Number 157-1025-372

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~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

October 8, 1963

JUNE

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

**UNKNOWN SUBJECT;
BOMBING OF SIXTYFIFTH STREET
BAPTIST CHURCH
BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA
SEPTEMBER 15, 1963
BOMBING MATTERS**

Rap bom

[REDACTED]

Chambliss is the individual who, along with Charles Arnie Cagle, an associate, was arrested by the Alabama Highway Patrol on the night of September 29, 1963, in connection with the Birmingham bombings. Both men were subsequently charged on October 1, 1963, with possession of dynamite without a permit as required by the Birmingham General City Code.

[REDACTED]

APPROPRIATE AGENCIES AND FIELD OFFICES ADVISED BY ROUTING SLIP(S)

- Tolson _____
- Belmont _____
- Mohr _____
- Casper _____
- Callahan _____
- Conrad _____
- DeLoach _____
- Evans _____
- Gale _____
- Rosen _____
- Sullivan _____
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- Trotter _____
- Tele. Room _____
- Holmes _____
- Gandy _____

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~~SECRET~~
Memorandum for the Attorney General

In view of the tense racial situation in Birmingham, further inflamed by the bombings, it is believed that additional activity on the part of those who are responsible for the bombings could easily lead to more rioting, bloodshed and loss of life, materially affecting the security of the United States.

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It is requested that you authorize the installation of a technical surveillance on the telephone at the residence of [REDACTED] in Birmingham, or at any address to which he may move.

SENT FROM D. O.
TIME 11:10 AM
DATE 10/14/63
BY [Signature]

Respectfully,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

APPROVED _____

DATED _____

NOTE: See memo Rosen to Belmont 10-7-63, captioned "Unknown Subject; Bombing of 16th Street Baptist Church, Birmingham, Alabama, 9-15-63, Bombing Matters," [REDACTED]

This letter is being classified Secret since it mentioned a tesur.

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Subject JUNE MAIL Bayborn

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Subject UNKNOWN SUBJECTS; BOMBING OF SIXTEENTH STREET
BAPTIST CHURCH, BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA 9/15/63
BOMBING MATTERS

67c This serial, the original memorandum from the FBI to the Attorney General dated 10/8/63, which was returned to the Bureau signed by the Attorney General authorizing FBI to conduct electronic surveillance, has been permanently removed for retention in the National Security Electronic Surveillance File per memorandum to Mr. dated 7-13-73. See 62-115687-1 for details and where maintained.

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Subject JUNE MAIL Babylon

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File Number 157-1025-433

Permanent Serial Charge Out

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

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Belmont	_____
Mohr	_____
Casper	_____
Callahan	_____
Conrad	_____
DeLoach	_____
Evans	_____
Gale	_____
Rosen	✓
Sullivan	_____
Tavel	_____
Trotter	_____
Tele. Room	_____
Holmes	_____
Gandy	_____

TO : Mr. Belmont *W*

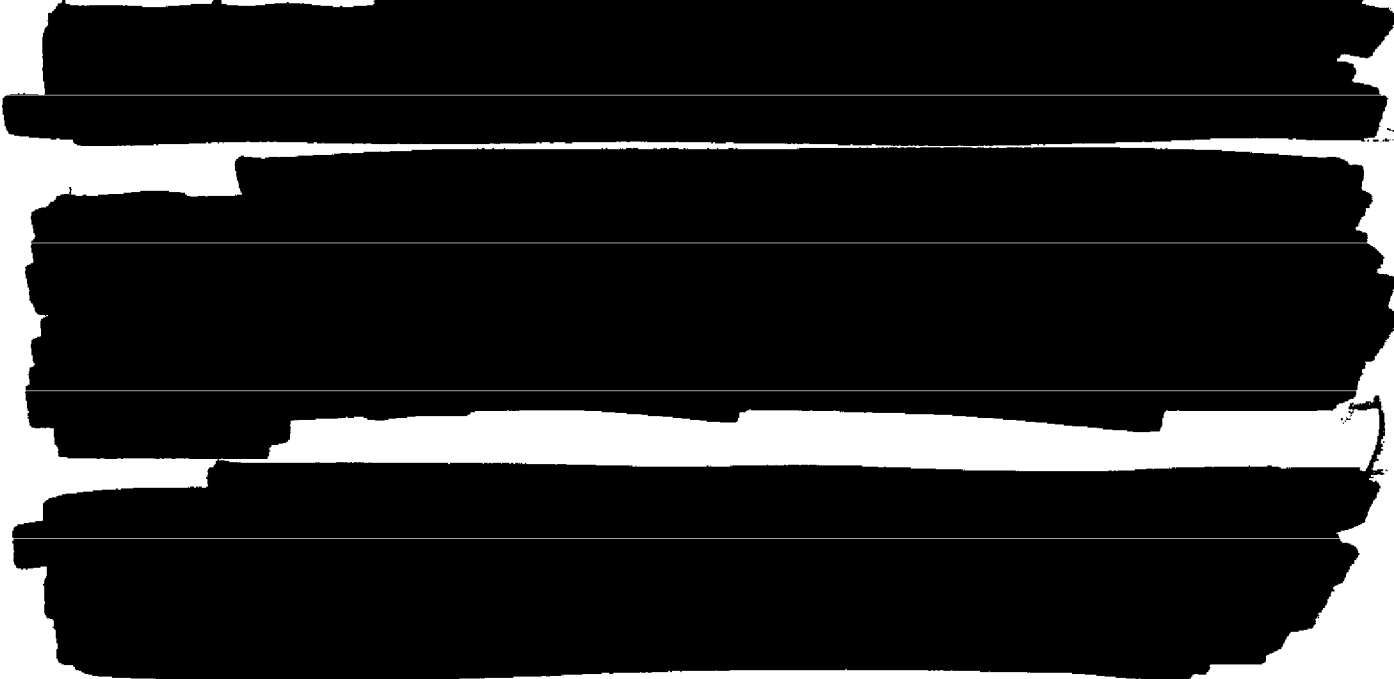
DATE: October 7, 1963

FROM : A. Rosen *R*

JUNE


SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;
BOMBING OF 16TH STREET
BAPTIST CHURCH
BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA
9/15/63
BOMBING MATTERS

This memorandum recommends that the Attorney General's authority be obtained to install technical surveillance (tesur) on telephone of

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In view of the tense racial situation in Birmingham, further inflamed by the recent bombings, it is believed that further activity on the part of those who are responsible for the

Enclosure *Sent 10-9-63*

157-1025
 1 - Mr. Sullivan
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Memorandum to Mr. Belmont
RE: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;

bombings could easily lead to further rioting, bloodshed, loss of life, materially affecting the security of the United States.

The Birmingham Office has assured that the tesur can be installed with full security.

There are 57 investigative-type tesurs in operation at the present time and three are awaiting installation. The limit is 75.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the attached memorandum be sent to the Attorney General requesting authority to install this tesur.

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[REDACTED] [REDACTED] ✓
9/17/78
6/1/78
[Signature]

Date of Mail 10-4-63

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Date 10-4-79

Subject JUNE MAIL Babson

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

JUNE

TO : Director, FBI (Bufile 157-1025)
Attn: Assistant Director Rosen

DATE: 10/4/63

FROM : SAC, Birmingham (157-352 SF-2)

SUBJECT: RECOMMENDATION FOR INSTALLATION OF TECHNICAL OR MICROPHONE SURVEILLANCE

RE: Title **BAPBOMB**

Character of Case **BOMBING MATTERS**

Field Office **BIRMINGHAM**

Symbol Number [REDACTED]

Type of Surveillance (Technical or Microphone)

CONF. INFT.

1. Name and address of subject:

[REDACTED]

2. Location of technical operation:

[REDACTED]

3. Other technical surveillances on same subject:

NONE

4. Cost and manpower involved:

\$100.00 per day
3 Special Agents

14 OCT 7 1963

5. Adequacy of security:

Sufficient in that Special Agents will be on hand at all times

AMSD
6 OCT 18 1963
Registered Mail

SPEC. MAIL RM.

Memo Rosen to
Belmont 10/7/63
let to [unclear] 10/16/63

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6. Type of case involved: **Bombing of Negro Church**

7. Connection or status of subject in the case: **Principal suspect.**

8. Specific information being sought: **Identification of accomplices and additional investigative leads in this and other bombing matters.**

9. Reasons for believing the specific information will be obtained by the technical surveillance: **Sources have advised suspect**

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10. Importance of case and subject: **This is major case with nationwide interest.**

11. Possibilities of obtaining desired information by other means
(Explain in detail):

bx This suspect's household includes [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Live informant coverage not
available on 24-hour basis.

12. Risks of detection involved: **None. Full security assured.**

13. Probable length of technical surveillance: **15 days.**

14. Request made for technical surveillance by any outside agency
(name specific official, title and agency): **NONE**

15. Remarks:

16. Recommendation of Assistant Director:

Date of Mail 10-9-63

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Subject JUNE MAIL Baybamba

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

For review at FBIHQ by *an* *492*

Memorandum

HSCA re 1-26-78 request

- Tolson _____
- Belmont _____
- Mohr _____
- Casper _____
- Callahan _____
- Conrad _____
- DeLoach _____
- Evans _____
- Gale _____
- Rosen *✓*
- Sullivan *✓*
- Tavel _____
- Trotter _____
- Tele. Room _____
- Holmes _____
- Gandy _____

TO : Mr. Belmont

DATE: 10-9-63

FROM : A. Rosen

JUNE

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS;
 BOMBING OF SIXTEENTH STREET
 BAPTIST CHURCH
 BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA, 9-15-63
 BOMBING MATTERS

This memorandum recommends that the Attorney General's authority be obtained to install a technical surveillance (tesur) on the telephone of *[redacted]*

Information received concerning *[redacted]* in the past would indicate that he has information concerning acts of violence on the part of others *[redacted]*

In view of the tense racial situation in Birmingham aggravated by the recent bombings, it is believed that further activity on the part of those responsible for the bombings could easily lead to further rioting, bloodshed, loss of life, materially affecting the security of the United States.

Enclosure *sent 10-8-63*
 1 - Mr. Sullivan

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[Handwritten signature]

Memorandum To Mr. Belmont
Re: UNSUBS, BOMBING OF SIXTEENTH
STREET BAPTIST CHURCH

It is believed that a tesur on the telephone of [REDACTED] may well bring to light the efforts of such persons to further inflame and aggravate the situation.

The Atlanta Office has assured that the tesur can be installed with full security.

There are 57 investigative-type tesurs in operation at the present time and four are awaiting installation. The limit is 75.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the attached memorandum be sent to the Attorney General requesting authority to install this tesur.

Handwritten initials and signatures: "CK", "A", "V.", and a large circular signature. There are several large black redaction marks covering parts of the page.

Date of Mail 10-10-63

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See File 66-2554-7530 for authority.

Subject JUNE MAIL Baybomli

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AIRGRAM CABLEGRAM RADIO TELETYPE

URGENT 10-10-63
 TO DIRECTOR
 INFO SAC BIRMINGHAM
 FROM SAC ATLANTA 101954

67 [REDACTED]

JUNE. BAPBOMB.

IN CONNECTION WITH COVERAGE OF [REDACTED]
 CONCERNING CAPTIONED MATTER, AUTHORITY IS REQUESTED TO MAKE
 A SURVEY FOR INSTALLATION OF TECHNICAL SURVEILLANCE ON HOME
 OF [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] IN VIEW OF IMPORTANCE OF THIS MATTER
 EXPEDITE AUTHORIZATION IS REQUESTED.

RECEIVED: 4:56 PM JWF

CO-MR. SULLIVAN
 [REDACTED]

Done 10/11/63

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458

22 OCT 16 1963

10/11/63

CODE

TELETYPE
RADIOGRAM

URGENT

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FBI

TO SACS ATLANTA
BIRMINGHAM

JUNE

FROM DIRECTOR FBI

BAPBOMB.

AUTHORITY GRANTED TO MAKE SURVEY FOR INSTALLATION OF TESUR
AT HOME OF [REDACTED]

42

[REDACTED]

PROVIDING FULL SECURITY ASSURED. ADVISE BUREAU PROMPTLY OF
RESULTS.

[REDACTED]
(9)

VIA TELETYPE
OCT 11 1963
6:45 PM
ENCIPHERED

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NOTE: If no further contact today, send by urgent teletype code.

(BAPBOMB is the approved code name assigned to investigation captioned "Unknown Subjects; Bombing of 16th Street Baptist Church, Birmingham, Alabama, 9/15/63, Bombing Matters.")

SEE ROSEN TO BELMONT MEMO, 10/11/63, SAME CAPTION AS ABOVE,

[REDACTED]

- Tolson _____
- Belmont _____
- Mohr _____
- Casper _____
- Callahan _____
- Conrad _____
- DeLoach _____
- Evans _____
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- Rosen _____
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- Holmes _____
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Subject JUNE MAIL *Baptomb*

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File Number 157-1025-459

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

- Tolson _____
- Belmont _____
- Mohr _____
- Casper _____
- Callahan _____
- Conrad _____
- DeLoach _____
- Evans _____
- Gale _____
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- Tavel _____
- Trotter _____
- Tele. Room _____
- Holmes _____
- Gandy _____

TO : Mr. McGowan

DATE: October 4, 1963

FROM : A. Rosen

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS
 BOMBING OF SIXTEENTH
 STREET BAPTIST CHURCH
 BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA, 9/15/63
 BOMBING MATTERS

JUNE

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SAC Moore called to advise me that he had obtained a signed statement from Thomas Blanton, Sr. authorizing the FBI to make a search of his premises. This is a detailed authorization which was obtained from Blanton, Sr. for a consent search and it is planned that such a search will be made of the premises.

SAC Moore also advised that they have authority from the United States Attorney (USA) to file against Blanton, Jr. for an attempted assault upon an Agent. When the office decides to do this, SAC Moore will communicate with me and advise me of the language of the complaint.

SAC Moore was also authorized to have a survey made of the residence of Thomas Blanton, Sr. for the purpose of utilizing a tesur. SAC Moore will also furnish appropriate information concerning the location and other necessary data for the installation if it is installed and an appropriate memorandum will be prepared to the Attorney General requesting authority to install such.

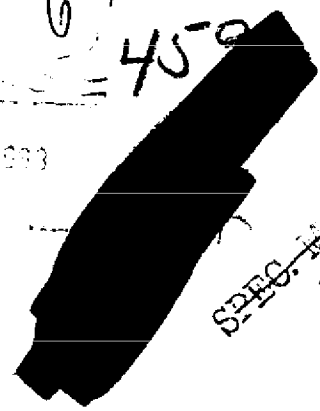
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Subject JUNE MAIL Bay bomb

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AIRGRAM CABLEGRAM RADIO TELETYPE

URGENT 10-11-63
 TO DIRECTOR
 FROM SAC ATLANTA 112043

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JUNE. BAPBOMB, RACIAL MATTER, ATTENTION FBI LABORATORY. RE ATLANTA RADIOGRAM THIS DATE REQUESTING ADDITIONAL EQUIPMENT FOR PLANT OPERATION. IN SUBSEQUENT CONTACT WITH ASSISTANT DIRECTOR ROSEN APPARENT TWO MORE ADDITIONAL TAPE RECORDERS AND TWO MORE COMPLETE DIAL RECORDERS WILL BE REQUIRED ATLANTA. LAB IS REQUESTED TO EXPEDITIOUSLY FORWARD OR HAVE OTHER OFFICES FORWARD DESIRED EQUIPMENT.

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5:31 PM CTF

10-11-63
 112043

2 GARS
 2 PTG Memos } NY Ordered by 10-11-63 to expedite shipment to Atlanta

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 22 OCT 18 1963

cc. Sullivan

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SA [initials]
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 STEVEN
 9:30 PM

Date of Mail 10-11-63

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Subject JUNE MAIL Baybomb

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File Number 157-1025-460

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 Holmes _____
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 TELETYPE

URGENT 10-11-63
 TO DIRECTOR
 FROM SAC ATLANTA 111635

JUNE. BAPBOMB. ATTENTION FBI LABORATORY. RE BUREAU TEL OCTOBER 10 LAST.

LABORATORY IS REQUESTED TO FURNISH EXPEDITIOUSLY TO THE ATLANTA OFFICE ONE COMPLETE DIAL AMPLIFIER AND RECORDER FOR USE IN CONJUNCTION WITH TECHNICAL SURVEILLANCE AUTHORIZED. LAB IS ALSO REQUESTED TO FORWARD EXPEDITIOUSLY ONE BINAURAL TAPE PLAY BACK UNIT FOR TRANSCRIPTION PURPOSES.

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OCT 11 1963
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CALLED:
 M. [Signature]
 By [Signature] Time 2:20 P

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CC-MR. SULLIVAN



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[Signature]
 OCT 15 1963
 [Signature]
 [Signature] R.M.

10/11/63

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1 - Mr
1 - Mr



TO SAC ATLANTA

FROM DIRECTOR FBI (80-768)

JUNE

BAPBOMB.

REUR RAD OCTOBER ELEVEN REQUESTING DIAL AMPLIFIER
RECORDER AND A BINAURAL TAPE PLAYBACK BE FURNISHED ATLANTA
EXPEDITIOUSLY.

THE FOLLOWING EQUIPMENT IS BEING SHIPPED ATLANTA THIS
DATE VIA AIR EXPRESS. ONE EACH K DASH THREE TAPE TRANSCRIBER
NUMBER FOUR ZERO. ONE EACH SIX A DIAL AMPLIFIER AND SIX AR
RECORDER NUMBER ONE TWO NINE.

UPON RECEIPT YOU SHOULD MAKE APPROPRIATE INVENTORY CHANGES.



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VIA TELETYPE
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- Belmont _____
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- Casper _____
- Callahan _____
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- Evans _____
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- Sullivan _____
- Tavel _____
- Trotter _____
- Tele. Rm. _____
- Holmes _____
- Gandy _____

6th OCT 18 1963

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

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No. 42
1-16-78
(See Serial ...)

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 10/11/63

FROM : *fm* SAC, ATLANTA (66-825)

JUNE

SUBJECT: BAPBOMB
RACIAL MATTER

Re Atlanta FD 142 dated 10/7/63.

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In connection with investigation being conducted, intensified coverage was requested on [redacted] telephonically by SAC MOORE. He related Bureau authority had been given for surveys to be made as to feasibility of conducting a Tesur on [redacted]

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In this regard it has been ascertained that [redacted]

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AT 66-825
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The above is being submitted for the information of the Bureau to bring the Bureau up-to-date on the surveys being made in Atlanta. By coded teletype dated 10/10/63 the Bureau authorized Tesur on [REDACTED]

Date of Mail 10-11-63.

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Subject JUNE MAIL Bap Bank

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

JTB/KXC
No: 42
1-26-78

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 10/11/63

FROM : SAC, ATLANTA (66-825)

J U N E

SUBJECT: BAPBOMB
RACIAL MATTER

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AT 66-825
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Date of Mail 10-11-63

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Subject JUNE MAIL Bay Bomb

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

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Casper	_____
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Sullivan	_____
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Tele. Room	_____
Holmes	_____
Gandy	_____

TO : Mr. Belmont *abr*

DATE: October 11, 1963

FROM : A. Rosen *ARM*

JUNE

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS;
BOMBING OF SIXTEENTH STREET
BAPTIST CHURCH
BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA
9/15/63
BOMBING MATTERS

To complement tesur coverage previously authorized
on suspect [redacted] has requested
expedite authority to make survey for installation of tesur on
home of [redacted]

67c

[redacted]

Because of this connection, this group is suspect not only in
the bombing of the Baptist Church, September 15, 1963, but in
the Shores bombing of September 4, 1963, as well.

RECOMMENDATION:

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In view of the background and connection of the
[redacted] and associations with suspect Chambliss, it is
recommended that authority be granted to conduct the requested
survey providing full security assured, and a radiogram providing
authority for such is attached for approval.

1 - Mr. Sullivan

Enclosure *sent 10-11-63*

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22 OCT 17 1963

6 OCT 23 1963

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Date 12-8-78
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Subject JUNE MAIL *Bap bomb*

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

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for review
ESCI re 4-26-78 request.
(See Bufile 100-111200)

JUNE) DATE: 10/7/63

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (Bufile

FROM : SAC, ATLANTA (66-825)

SUBJECT: RECOMMENDATION FOR INSTALLATION OF TECHNICAL OR MICROPHONE SURVEILLANCE

RE: Title BAPBOMB

Character of Case RM
Field Office Atlanta
Symbol Number
Type of Surveillance (Technical or Microphone)
Technical

1. Name and address of subject:

[Redacted]

2. Location of technical operation:

Technical operation located in space occupied by Headquarter Office.

3. Other technical surveillances on same subject:

At this time there are no other technical surveillances on this subject.

4. Cost and manpower involved:

Exact cost is unknown as to the leasing of necessary telephone lines and manpower necessary for plant operation will require services of four Investigative Clerks.

5. Adequacy of security:

Security of this installation is assured.

1 Bureau
1 Atlanta
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6. Type of case involved:

67c
Investigation conducted by Birmingham Office has indicated that [REDACTED] may have some implication or connection with those individuals responsible in the bombing of the Sixteenth Street Baptist Church, Birmingham, Ala., September 15, 1963.

7. Connection or status of subject in the case:

67c
Investigation to date has not established that [REDACTED] is a subject in the BAPBOMB investigation; however, [REDACTED] has indicated he may have had connections or associations with subjects of that case.

8. Specific information being sought:

67c
Information being sought relates to the degree of association and possible implication on the part of [REDACTED] with other individuals in Alabama who may have been responsible for instant bombings.

9. Reasons for believing the specific information will be obtained by the technical surveillance:

67c
|| Considering that [REDACTED] was in Birmingham, Alabama, during period of time that Baptist Church was bombed and considering he normally resides and works in Atlanta area, it is believed that telephonic conversations may be utilized for contact between [REDACTED] and suspects, all of whom reside in the Birmingham area.

10. Importance of case and subject:

The Bureau's instructions to SAC MOORE in Birmingham have indicated that all investigative efforts must be made to solve this case.

11. Possibilities of obtaining desired information by other means ⁶²
(Explain in detail):

Through past experience in dealing with [REDACTED] it has proven that physical surveillances and other investigative means have been unproductive in developing information regarding his associates, contacts and activities.

12. Risks of detection involved:

There is no apparent risk of detection involved in this installation.

13. Probable length of technical surveillance:

Length of Tesur is indefinite.

14. Request made for technical surveillance by any outside agency
(name specific official, title and agency):

There have been no such requests for Tesur by any outside agencies known to the Atlanta Office.

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Subject JUNE MAIL Bayboubi

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JUNE

October 9, 1963

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

UNKNOWN SUBJECTS;
BOMBING OF SIXTEENTH STREET
BAPTIST CHURCH
BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA
SEPTEMBER 15, 1963
BOMBING MATTERS

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SENT FROM
TIME 5:30 PM
DATE 10/9/63
BY G.G.

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Memorandum for the Attorney General

In view of the tense racial situation in Birmingham, further inflamed by the bombings, it is believed that additional activity on the part of those who are responsible for the bombings could easily lead to more rioting, bloodshed and loss of life, materially affecting the security of the United States.

It is requested that you authorize the installation of a technical surveillance at the office of Jesse Benjamin Stoner in Atlanta, or at any address to which he may move.

Respectfully,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

APPROVED _____

DATED _____

NOTE: See memo Rosen to Belmont 10-9-63, captioned "Unknown Subjects, Bombing of Sixteenth Street Baptist Church, Birmingham, Alabama, 9-15-63, Bombing Matters, [REDACTED]"

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Date 12-8-8 ^{LC}

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Subject JUNE MAIL Baybambi

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Subject UNKNOWN SUBJECTS; BOMBING OF SIXTEENTH STREET

BAPTIST CHURCH, BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA 9/15/63

BOMBING MATTERS

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TO SAC ATLANTA (66-325)

JUNE

FROM DIRECTOR FBI (157-1025) - 482

BAPBOMB.

AUTORITY IS GRANTED TO IMMEDIATELY INSTALL TESUR AT [REDACTED] IN CONNECTION WITH CAPTIONED MATTER PROVIDED FULL SECURITY ASSURED. ADVISE BUREAU TIME AND DATE OF INSTALLATION, TELEPHONE NUMBER AND SYMBOL NUMBER.

SULET JUSTIFICATION FOR CONTINUANCE IF INSTALLATION IS IN EFFECT AT END OF THIRTY DAY PERIOD. COPY FURNISHED BIRMINGHAM BY MAIL.

1 - BIRMINGHAM (BY MAIL)

1 - Mr [REDACTED]

NOTE: This Tesur has been approved by the Attorney General 10-10-63.

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Subject JUNE MAIL *Bajr Bomb*

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Subject JUNE MAIL Bapbombr

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Subject JUNE MAIL Baybomb

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 10/21/63

FROM : *Jim* SAC, ATLANTA (157-582A) J U N E

SUBJECT: BAPBOMB
RACIAL MATTER

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Survey reflects that full security cannot be reasonably assured on Tesur installation and therefore recommendation is made against such an installation at this time.

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Subject JUNE MAIL Bapboul

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TO DIRECTOR

FROM SAC INDIANAPOLIS 211828

JUNE.

BAPBOMB. MEETING OF RIGHT WING GROUPS, INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA, OCTOBER 19 - 20, 1963, RACIAL MATTERS.

REBUTEL OCTOBER 18 LAST.

MICROPHONE SURVEILLANCE INSTALLED MAROTT HOTEL, PARLOR B AND [REDACTED] OCCUPIED BY [REDACTED]

12:10 P.M., OCTOBER 18 LAST, AND ASSIGNED SYMBOL NUMBER [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] DISCONTINUED 5 P.M., OCTOBER 20 LAST.

PERTINENT RESULTS BEING FURNISHED BUREAU.

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If the intelligence contained in the above message is to be disseminated outside the Bureau, it is suggested that it be suitably paraphrased in order to protect the Bureau's cryptographic systems.

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Subject JUNE MAIL *Bap bomb*

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

for review of [redacted]
HECA re 1-24-75 [redacted]
(See Burfile 100-111830)

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- Gandy

TO : Mr. Belmont *CR* DATE: 10/29/63

FROM : A. Rosen *AR* J U N E *62*

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS; BOMBING
OF SIXTEENTH STREET BAPTIST
CHURCH, BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA,
SEPTEMBER 15, 1963
BOMBING MATTERS



62c This memorandum recommends that the Attorney General's authority be obtained to install a technical surveillance on the telephone of [redacted] which is the headquarters of the National States Rights Party (NSRP). The NSRP is an anti-Negro and anti-Semitic organization.

Several members of the NSRP, [redacted] are presently under indictment in the U. S. District Court, Birmingham, for their activities in connection with the desegregation of the Birmingham schools in September, 1963.

The leader of this organization is Dr. Edward R. Fields and the attorney for the organization is Jesse B. Stoner of Atlanta, Georgia. Information has been received in the past indicating that these men condone and at times incite violence.

It is hoped that through such a technical surveillance information will be developed leading to the identification of the perpetrators of the bombing of the Sixteenth Street Baptist Church in which bombing four small Negro children were killed.

In view of the tense racial situation in Birmingham aggravated by the recent bombings, it is believed that further activity on the part of those responsible for the bombings could easily lead to further rioting, bloodshed, loss of life, materially affecting the security of the United States.

The Birmingham Office has assured that the technical surveillance can be installed with full security.

There are 56 investigative-type technical surveillances in operation at the present time and 14 are awaiting installation. The limit is 75.

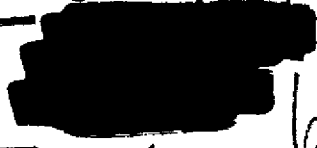
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Enclosure *sent* 10-30-63

1 - Mr. Sullivan 1 - Mr. [redacted] NOV 5 1963

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TO SAC INDIANAPOLIS

JUNE

FROM DIRECTOR FBI

BAPBOMB. MEETING OF RIGHT WING GROUPS, INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA, OCTOBER NINETEEN - TWENTY, SIXTYTHREE, RACIAL MATTERS.

REURTEL OCTOBER SEVENTEEN, SIXTYTHREE.

AUTHORITY GRANTED FOR INSTALLATION OF MISUR AT

MAROTT HOTEL AND ON ROOMS TO BE OCCUPIED BY [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] IN CONNECTION WITH RIGHT WING GROUP MEETING

PROVIDING FULL SECURITY ASSURED. ADVISE BUREAU TIME AND DATE OF

INSTALLATION AND SYMBOL NUMBER. ADVISE BUREAU TIME AND DATE OF

DISCONTINUANCE. FURNISH PERTINENT RESULTS OF INSTALLATION PROMPTLY

TO BUREAU.

RBL:nkr

1 (4) Mr. [REDACTED]

VIA TELETYPE

OCT 18 1963

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NOTE: Information has been received from Miami and Indianapolis Offices that there will be a meeting of Right Wing Groups in the Marott Hotel, Indianapolis, Indiana, October 19-20, 1963. The Miami Office has advised that one [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Indianapolis was instructed to conduct a survey for possible technical coverage of the meeting. [REDACTED]

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The Indianapolis Office has assured full security in the installation of this misur.

OCT 28 1963

MAIL ROOM






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Memorandum to Mr. Belmont
RE: UNKNOWN SUBJECT; BOMBING OF
SIXTEENTH STREET BAPTIST CHURCH

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the attached memorandum be sent to the Attorney General requesting authority to install this technical surveillance.

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Subject JUNE MAIL Baybomb

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File Number 157-1025-577

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Director (Bufile 157-1025) DATE: JUNE 10/22/63

FROM : SAC, Birmingham *[Handwritten initials]*

SUBJECT: RECOMMENDATION FOR INSTALLATION OF TECHNICAL OR MICROPHONE SURVEILLANCE

RE: Title **BAPBOMB**

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Character of Case **BOMBING MATTERS**
Field Office **157-352**
Symbol Number **[REDACTED] (RAC)**
Type of Surveillance **(Technical ~~Microphone~~)**
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1. Name and address of subject:

[REDACTED]

2. Location of technical operation:

[REDACTED]

3. Other technical surveillances on same subject: **none**

EXP. PROC.
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4. Cost and manpower involved: **Two Special Agents will operate along with other technicals at central location (until relieved by clerical personnel).**

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5. Adequacy of security: **Adequate**

- 1 - Bureau
- 1 - Birmingham

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*Rec'd Birmingham 12-27-63
R. P. S. [unclear]
Let to AG 12-27-63*

[REDACTED]

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SPEC. MAIL RM.

6. Type of case involved: **Bombing of a Negro church in which four children killed.**
7. Connection or status of subject in the case: **Suspect and an associate of prime suspects.**
8. Specific information being sought: **Leads to identity of bomber.**
9. Reasons for believing the specific information will be obtained by the technical surveillance: **Information developed that he talks to other suspects by phone.**
10. Importance of case and subject: **Case is of national importance. Suspect is believed to have participated in this and other bombings.**

11. Possibilities of obtaining desired information by other means
(Explain in detail): **None known unless subjects confess.**

12. Risks of detection involved: **None. Full security assured.**

13. Probable length of technical surveillance: **15 days**

14. Request made for technical surveillance by any outside agency
(name specific official, title and agency): **none**

15. Remarks:

16. Recommendation of Assistant Director:

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JUNE

October 29, 1963

REC-56

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

UNKNOWN SUBJECTS;
BOMBING OF SIXTEENTH STREET
BAPTIST CHURCH, BIRMINGHAM,
ALABAMA, SEPTEMBER 15, 1963
BOMBING MATTERS

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] is a prime suspect and an associate of the suspects developed to date in the bombing of the Sixteenth Street Baptist Church.

It is requested that you authorize the installation of a technical surveillance at his home or any address to which he may move in order that information may be developed leading to the identification of the perpetrators of the bombing, which bombing killed four small Negro children on September 15, 1963.

In view of the tense racial situation in Birmingham, further inflamed by the bombings, it is believed that additional activity on the part of those who are responsible for the bombings could easily lead to more rioting, bloodshed and loss of life, materially affecting the security of the United States.

APPROPRIATE AGENCIES AND FIELD OFFICES ADVISED BY ROUTING SLIP(S) DATE 3/9/77

Respectfully,

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John Edgar Hoover
Director

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NOTE:

See memo Mr. Rosen to Mr. Belmont, 10/28/63, same caption, [REDACTED] *Declassified*

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Date *10/19*

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Subject JUNE MAIL *Bap bomb*

65 NOV 8 1963

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

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Belmont	✓
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TO : Mr. Belmont *Bg*

DATE: October 28, 1963

FROM : A. Rosen *Rosen*

JUNE

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS;
BOMBING OF SIXTEENTH STREET
BAPTIST CHURCH
BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA
SEPTEMBER 15, 1963
BOMBING MATTERS

This memorandum recommends that the Attorney General's authority be obtained to install a technical surveillance on the telephone of [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] is a suspect in the instant bombing and is a close associate of other prime suspects in this case.

This is the case involving the bombing of the church in which four small Negro children were killed. It is hoped that through such a technical surveillance information will be developed leading to the identification of the perpetrators.

In view of the tense racial situation in Birmingham aggravated by the recent bombings, it is believed that further activity on the part of those responsible for the bombings could easily lead to further rioting, bloodshed, loss of life, materially affecting the security of the United States.

The Birmingham Office has assured that the technical surveillance can be installed with full security.

There are 55 investigative-type technical surveillances in operation at the present time and 15 are awaiting installation. The limit is 75.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the attached memorandum be sent to the Attorney General requesting authority to install this technical surveillance.

Enclosure *sent 10-29-63*

1 - Mr. Sullivan

1 - Mr. [REDACTED]

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Subject JUNE MAIL *Bap bomb.*

65 NOV 8 1963

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BAPTIST CHURCH, BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA, 9/15/63

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See File 66-2554-7530 for authority.

Subject JUNE MAIL *Baybomb*

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Subject UNKNOWN SUBJECTS; BOMBING OF SIXTEENTH STREETH

BAPTIST CHURCH, BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA, 9/15/63

BOMBING MATTERS

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Subject JUNE MAIL Baybomb

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

for review at [redacted] b7c
HSCA re 1-26-78 present.
(See Bufile #02-117290)

JUNE

TO : Director, FBI (Bufile [redacted])

DATE: 10/25/63

FROM : SAC, Birmingham

SUBJECT: RECOMMENDATION FOR INSTALLATION OF TECHNICAL OR MICROPHONE SURVEILLANCE

RE: Title **BAPBOMB**

Character of Case **BOMBING MATTERS** b2

Field Office **157-352**

Symbol Number [redacted]

Type of Surveillance (Technical ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~)

CONF. INFT. aia

1. Name and address of subject: [redacted] 1865 Bessemer Road,
National States Rights Party Headquarters,
Birmingham, Alabama

2. Location of technical operation: [redacted] b20

3. Other technical surveillances on same subject: None

4. Cost and manpower involved: Two Special Agents will operate along with other technicals at central location. (Until relieved by clerical personnel)

5. Adequacy of security: Adequate

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6. Type of case involved: **Bombing of Negro church in which four children killed.**

7. Connection or status of subject in the case: **Leaders of National States Rights Party have been involved in bombings and violence and associate with suspects in this case.**

8. Specific information being sought: **Leads to identify subjects in this case.**

9. Reasons for believing the specific information will be obtained by the technical surveillance: **Leaders of NSRP associate with suspects.**

10. Importance of case and subject: **National importance; NSRP leaders probably have some knowledge of bombings.**

11. Possibilities of obtaining desired information by other means
(Explain in detail): **None known unless subjects confess.**

12. Risks of detection involved: **None. Full security assured.**

13. Probable length of technical surveillance: **15 days**

14. Request made for technical surveillance by any outside agency
(name specific official, title and agency): **None**

15. Remarks:

16. Recommendation of Assistant Director:

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Director (Bufile 157-1025) DATE: JUNE 10/22/63
FROM : SAC, Birmingham

SUBJECT: RECOMMENDATION FOR INSTALLATION OF TECHNICAL OR MICROPHONE SURVEILLANCE

RE: Title **BAPBOMB**

Character of Case **BOMBING MATTERS**
Field Office **157-352**
Symbol Number **[REDACTED] (RAC)**
Type of Surveillance **(technical ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~)**

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~~CONF. INFO.~~

1. Name and address of subject: **ROBERT EDWARD CHAMBLISS**
2505 32nd Avenue North
Birmingham, Alabama

2. Location of technical operation:

[REDACTED]

3. Other technical surveillances on same subject: **None**

4. Cost and manpower involved:

Two Special Agents will operate along with other technicals at central location. (Until relieved by clerical personnel)

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5. Adequacy of security: **Adequate**

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6. Type of case involved: **Bombing of a Negro church in which four children killed.**

7. Connection or status of subject in the case: **Prime suspect.**

8. Specific information being sought: **Leads to identity of bombers.**

9. Reasons for believing the specific information will be obtained by the technical surveillance: **This and other suspects appear to be relaxing and perhaps will discuss case with other suspects.**

10. Importance of case and subject: **Case is of national importance. Suspect is one of prime suspects.**

11. Possibilities of obtaining desired information by other means
(Explain in detail): **None known unless subjects confess.**

12. Risks of detection involved: **None. Full security assured.**

13. Probable length of technical surveillance: **15 days.**

14. Request made for technical surveillance by any outside agency
(name specific official, title and agency): **none**

15. Remarks:

16. Recommendation of Assistant Director:

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October 30, 1963

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

UNKNOWN SUBJECTS; BOMBING OF
SIXTEENTH STREET BAPTIST CHURCH,
BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA,
SEPTEMBER 15, 1963
BOMBING MATTERS

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It is requested that you authorize the installation of a technical surveillance at his home or any address to which he may move in order that information may be developed leading to the identification of the perpetrators of the bombing, which bombing killed four small Negro children on September 15, 1963.

In view of the tense racial situation in Birmingham, further inflamed by the bombings, it is believed that additional activity on the part of those who are responsible for the bombings could easily lead to more rioting, bloodshed and loss of life, materially affecting the security of the United States.

Respectfully,

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ON 2/22/77
John Edgar Hoover
Director

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**MEMORANDUM FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL
RE: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS; BOMBING OF
SIXTEENTH STREET BAPTIST CHURCH**

NOTE:

**SEE MEMO, ROSEN TO BELMONT, ABOVE CAPTION,
10/29/63, RBL:cag.**

**This letter is being classified SECRET since
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Subject UNKNOWN SUBJECTS; BOMBING OF SIXTEENTH STREET

BAPTIST CHURCH, BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA, 9/15/63

BOMBING MATTERS

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This serial, the original memorandum from the FBI to the Attorney General dated 10/30/63, which was returned to the Bureau signed by the Attorney General authorizing FBI to conduct electronic surveillance, has been permanently removed for retention in the National Security Electronic Surveillance File per memorandum [redacted] to Mr. [redacted] dated 7-13-73. See 62-115687-1 for details and where maintained.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

**UNKNOWN SUBJECTS;
BOMBING OF SIXTEENTH STREET
BAPTIST CHURCH, BIRMINGHAM,
ALABAMA, SEPTEMBER 15, 1963
BOMBING MATTERS**

Bap bomb

Robert Edward Chambliss, 2505 32nd Avenue North, Birmingham, Alabama, is a prime suspect in this bombing investigation and other bombings which have taken place in Birmingham and is a close associate of other suspects developed to date in the bombing of the Sixteenth Street Baptist Church.

It is requested that you authorize the installation of a technical surveillance at his home or any address to which he may move in order that information may be developed leading to the identification of the perpetrators of the bombing, which bombing killed four small Negro children on September 15, 1963.

In view of the tense racial situation in Birmingham, further inflamed by the bombings, it is believed that additional activity on the part of those who are responsible for the bombings could easily lead to more rioting, bloodshed and loss of life, materially affecting the security of the United States.

Respectfully,

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Director

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TO: DIRECTOR FBI (157-1025)
FROM: SAC BIRMINGHAM (157-352) (P)
RE: BAPBOMB

JUNE

The following technical coverage is now in operation in connection with this case:

TESURS

Subject Symbol # Date Installed

62 [Redacted] (RAC) 10/4/63 *all*

[Redacted] (RAC) 10/22/63 *62*

62 ROBERT EDWARD CHAMBLISS
2505 32nd Avenue North
Birmingham, Alabama [Redacted] (RAC) 10/22/63

[Redacted] (RAC) 10/25/63
National States Rights
Party headquarters
1865 Bessemer Road
Birmingham, Alabama

Form FD-142 was submitted on each of the above on the dates installed.

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- (1 - 137-698)
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(10) [Redacted Signature]

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Special Agent in Charge

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-1025)
FROM: *EJP* SAC, KNOXVILLE (66-813) (P)
SUBJECT: BAP BOMB JUNE

Re Knoxville airtel to Bureau 10/24/63.

On 10/30/63, SA [redacted] FBI Laboratory, temporarily in Birmingham Division, telephonically discussed with SA [redacted] possible method of arranging MISUR and TESUR on [redacted]. In addition to the facts set forth in referenced airtel re entrance to their residence [redacted].

Based on facts re difficulty of ever finding [redacted] residence unoccupied it is not believed feasible to attempt entrance to this residence. Also, based on facts referenced airtel, and referenced telephone conversation 10/30/63, MISUR not possible without entrance.

TESUR is not being recommended at this time based on following reasons: It is not believed that such coverage would be productive as the [redacted] have repeatedly said they believe that periodically the FBI monitors their telephone conversations [redacted].

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