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ON 2/5/82

ReNYairtel, 5/7/63, and Bulet to New York, 5/7/63,
latter under "MALCOLM LITTLE, IS-NOI" caption.

Re: MALCOLM LITTLE in Washington, DC.

As reflected in reairtel and Bulet, there has been a great deal of recent publicity relative to the move of MALCOLM LITTLE to Washington, DC to take over the operation of NOI Temple number 4, and to conduct a NOI revival. Per reairtel, recent information from [redacted] has indicated that ELIJAH MUHAMMAD was planning to send MALCOLM to Washington, DC (around May 9 or 10, 1963) to take over the temple there on a temporary basis until a suitable person to run the temple is located. Reairtel furnished WFO with physical description and photograph of MALCOLM to assist in their coverage of him.

The following additional information relative to MALCOLM is being furnished for the information of the Bureau and interested offices:

The May 1, 1963, edition of "The Evening Star," a daily newspaper published in Washington, DC, contained an article reflecting a telephone interview with MALCOLM at his NYC headquarters in which he advised that his assignment for Washington "is effective as of now."

- 3-Bureau (25-330971)
- ①-100-399321 (MALCOLM LITTLE)
- 1-Chicago (100-35635) (INFO) (RM)
- 2-Washington Field (100-22829) (RM)
- 1-New York (105-8399) (MALCOLM LITTLE)
- 1-New York (105-7809)

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On [redacted] 1963, [redacted] advised that b7D
at the NOI meeting held in Temple number 7, NYC, on the evening of May 8, 1963, MALCOLM spoke and informed those present that he was going to take over the operation of Temple number 4 in Washington, DC. According to the source, MALCOLM added that he would never leave Harlem, and that his duties in Washington were temporary until ELIJAH MUHAMMAD could find someone else to be full time minister there.

The May 10, 1963, edition of the "New York Times," a daily newspaper published in NYC, contained an article datelined May 9, 1963, at Washington, DC, which reflected that MALCOLM arrived there (Washington) on that date to take over the Black Muslim Movement in the Capital. MALCOLM stated he would continue as leader of the movement in NYC and would maintain a home there (NYC) as well as here. The article further reflected that MALCOLM indicated he would hold all Negro mass meetings each Sunday evening in Washington which would exclude whites so they (Negroes) could discuss their problems without embarrassment.

By letter dated May 7, 1963, Chicago advised that [redacted] b7D
[redacted] advised on April 17, 1963, that on b7C
that date ELIJAH MUHAMMAD in conversation with [redacted]
[redacted] told him that MALCOLM had agreed to take over Temple number 4 in Washington, and that he would let MALCOLM do this until they found someone else. A-4

On May 9, 1963, the following neighborhood sources in the vicinity of MALCOLM's residence located in the East Elmhurst Section of Queens, New York were alerted and will notify the NYO in the event there is any activity at MALCOLM's house which would indicate that he was moving. They also advised that they had not seen him on that date:

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[REDACTED] b7D
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] subject's residence at 23-11 67E
97th Street, on May 9, 1963, reflected no unusual
activity. MALCOLM's car (1963 Black Oldsmobile, New
York license 6C-7574) was observed parked in front of
the residence as late as 7:00 p.m. MALCOLM was not observed.

On May 14, 1963, [REDACTED] advised 67D
that MALCOLM was present at the FOI meeting held in
Temple number 7, NYC, on the evening of May 13, 1963.
MALCOLM spoke to the group and told them that he has been
officially appointed minister of Temple number 4 in
Washington, DC until such time as a new minister is
appointed. MALCOLM stated that he continues to be the
minister of Temple number 7. He further advised that
the former minister of Temple number 4, LUCIUS BROWN,
has been relieved because of his negative attitude toward
the NOI paper "Muhammad Speaks." MALCOLM indicated that
he had been in Washington on Sunday, May 12, 1963,
accompanied by Temple number 7 FOI Captain JOSEPH GRAVITT
[REDACTED] MALCOLM 67C
further stated that he would be going to Washington, DC
each week travelling back and forth from NYC or other
places in the country where he may be travelling at the
time.

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New York sources in the NOI have been alerted for any information that would indicate that MALCOLM will move to Washington, DC on a permanent basis. If such information is received, the Bureau, Washington Field Office and Chicago will be advised.