Memorandum to: Mr. John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

From: Ramsey Clark
Attorney General

Re: Communist Infiltration
Southern Christian Leadership Conference
Your memorandum dated January 2, 1968

I am declining authorization of the requested installation of
the above telephone surveillance at the present time. There has
not been an adequate demonstration of a direct threat to the
national security. Should further evidence be secured of such a
threat, or re-evaluation desired, please resubmit.

Other investigative activities should be undertaken to provide
intelligence necessary to the protection of the national interest.