

# Mr. J. Edgar Hoover's Charge

By  
**Elijah Muhammad**  
Messenger of Allah

As it appeared in the CHICAGO'S AMERICAN newspaper, Saturday, May 18, 1968, Mr. Hoover, the head of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, charged militant Black leaders with periling the nation's security.

**THIS CHARGE** against the Black leadership is to frighten the American so-called Negroes against following leadership of their own. Mr. Hoover knows that if the Federal Bureau of Investigation says anything against Black leadership, it will put fear into the average so-called Negro, especially the intellectual class.

I am sure that the peril of the nation's security is not from Black leadership. It is from Almighty Allah (God). He is the One who is actually destroying the nation's security. And this is aided by the government's own confusion, insecurity and disunity, not the Black leadership, because the Black leadership has no cry for anything but justice.

But, Mr. Hoover wants to put fear into the American so-called Negroes and confuse them against accepting the Truth and their own salvation today.

The so-called American Negroes, the Lost and Found members of the Aboriginal Black Na-

tion of the earth, want nothing more than justice and freedom from the power of white America. Mr. Hoover knows this to be true, and yet he charges that this desire of the Black leadership of America for justice for their Black brothers constitutes a threat to the security of America.

**I REPEAT:** It is a threat that God is making against America for freedom, justice and equality for the so-called Negro. We have nothing to fight the well-armed American people with but the Truth, and this is what angers white America. We are teaching the truth of their doings against us.

The newspaper said that Mr. Hoover is seeking more finance from the government to fight the so-called Negroes' rise for freedom, justice and equality. This is an excuse to use their deadly weapons on the so-called Negroes, knowing that the Negro is not armed with anything but shotguns and small arms that they sell them.

America will accept anything for an excuse to kill the Black Man. They do not care whether or not the Black Man has anything at all like weapons. They kill you when you are defenseless, because they are heartless; they have no mercy in them, whatsoever. Their nature did not give them any mercy or love for justice.

We Black people must remember this.

**THE MUSLIMS** are charged also with being a peril to the nation's security. Let anyone read the history of the Muslims (myself and my followers) for the past 37 years. They will find that we have never risen up to attack or to interfere with the government's operation. Nor did we actually fight when we were supposed to fight by the law of nature, the Bible and Holy Qur-an, when we were attacked at our Temple; shot up; and one killed in Los Angeles, Calif. April 27, 1962. Nor did we try to retaliate when we were attacked and our Temple was set afire; nor did we retaliate in Newark, when our Temple there was shot up for no other cause than to try to provoke us to attack; nor did we retaliate in Detroit, Mich., when the National Guard shot holes in our Temple during the riots there.

I would like for Mr. Hoover to put this blame for insecurity where it belongs, and not blame peaceful people, in order to try to frighten others from joining them (Muslims). Not that we are cowards, but we were Divinely held back from fighting.

It has been the aim of the government on many occasions to try to get the Muslims to strike back so they could have an excuse to attack the Muslims, as it is the Muslims whom the government hates above all the groups in America. Why? The answer is because we have the Truth. And this Truth will awaken the mentally dead of our people to the knowledge of self and they will never desire to continue living a slave-like life with their once slave masters.

**I REPEAT,** the government wants nothing more than to try to get rid of the Muslims, in this attempt to destroy the Muslims and all Black people of America.

You saw what they did with the Reverend Martin Luther



The Honorable Elijah Muhammad

King, Jr. They do not want any so-called Negro trying to organize the others for freedom, justice, and equality. I do not say that the Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr. was seeking separation from white America, because he was not. But it is the nature of the white man to try and deprive the Black Man of any kind of leadership.

I warn the government, their entire security is under Divine peril and you shall soon come to

know, if you do not know now. Why do you not let us go? I have been asking you on the last page of this paper for more than four years to give the Black Man a place to himself. He has well earned it. But you do not want him separated out of your house, because you want to keep him under your feet for no other reason than to mistreat him and destroy his peace and life.

As thou has done, so shall it be done unto thee, Mr. white man.

Chicago's AMERICAN  
**Militant Blacks Peril Security, Says Hoover**

By STEPHEN M. AUG  
WASHINGTON (AP)—FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover said revolutionary stands taken by militant Black nationalist groups and students of the new left pose a threat to the nation's security.

He told Congress the Black nationalist groups he had in mind were the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee, the Black Muslims, and the Revolutionary Action Movement. They are, he said, "a distinct threat to the internal security of the nation."

The FBI chief said the new left, typified by the Students for a Democratic Society active in campus disturbances, is "a new type of subversive, and their danger is great."

Appears on Feb. 23  
Hoover appeared before a House appropriations subcommittee Feb. 23 and his testimony was released today. He seeks approval of a 207.5-million-dollar budget for the fiscal year starting July 1.

He expressed concern over reports that Black nationalist groups are stockpiling weapons

for use against the white man. He said these reports could well be true because guns are easily obtained and "in light of the inflammatory urgings of such agitators as Stokely Carmichael, H. Rap Brown, and James Forman of the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee."

Hoover also testified. Membership in racist groups like the Ku Klux Klan is dwindling in the heart of the south—Mississippi, Alabama, Louisiana—with about 14,000 Klansmen still in business. He added, "There are thousands of sympathizers."

The FBI investigated 29,228 reported violations of the selective service act last year while many young people "passively and brazenly advocated the burning and turning in of draft cards to demonstrate opposition to the Viet Nam war," many just went through the motions with phony cards.

The Mexican Communist party has made plans to store weapons and ammunition in preparation for a revolution in Mexico and already has desig-

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## Black Leaders Confer With the Messenger

An historic meeting of Black civic, labor, fraternal and professional leaders with the Honorable Elijah Muhammad, the Messenger of Allah, took place here in a conference regarded by national observers as the most significant step towards a united Black front along political and economic lines to be developed in a decade.

IT IS WELL known that the Honorable Elijah Muhammad has for years held out a hand of welcome towards Black community leaders to meet, confer and unite on problems peculiar to the interest of the Black man in America.

A strong unity with Messenger Muhammad, the only Divinely missioned leader of the Black man in America is now seen as essential to the liberation of the Black man in America.

The leaders had expressed their desires to meet with Mes-

senger Muhammad through Wesley South, candidate for Congress in the Second Congressional District who arranged for the gathering to take place in the Woodlawn Avenue home of the Messenger.

The meeting may bring about a united Black political support of Black candidates and a program aimed at enabling Black peoples in Chicago to determine the destiny of their own communities.

INCLUDED AMONG the leaders and organizations invited were the Cook County Physicians, the United Automobile Workers (AFL-CIO) United Packinghouse Workers of America (AFL-CIO), The Chicago Chapter of the Congress of Racial Equality (CORE); the Negro Chamber of Commerce, the Lincoln Dental Society, Prince Hall Masons, Shrine Temple, South Side Educational Forum, the Original New

Breed; Alderman William Cousins, State Senator Richard Newhouse, Republican William Spragins, and Rep. John T. Dickenson.

In subsequent issues, MUHAMMAD SPEAKS will give its readers documentation and photos of the unprecedented gathering which may establish a pattern for such meetings throughout the nation.

### South Carolina Probe

ORANGEBURG, S.C. — A Follow-up investigation into the slaying last February of three South Carolina State college students has been launched by the U.S. Justice Department. Two separate teams, composed of three lawyers from the department's Civil Rights Division, and three FBI agents are conducting the probe.

FACSIMILE OF "scare" story which appeared throughout the white press recently; quoting The FBI's J. Edgar Hoover before the House appropriations subcommittee.