# Honoring Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. The King Letter and Government Surveillance

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he disclosure in 2014 that a researcher found an unedited copy of an infamous FBI letter sent to civil rights leader Martin Luther King, Jr., may have taken some by surprise and may have left the mainstream media gasping in shock.

But these responses betray a woeful ignorance that exists among the American public and the media's failure to proptray a woeful ignorance that exists among the media's failure to prop-

is a reminder that the citizenry of any country needs to ardently watch the watchers.

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"King, there is only one thing left for you to do. You know what it is. You have just 34 days in which to do it (this exact number has been selected for a specific reason, it has definite practical significance). You are done. There is but one way out for you. You better take it before your filthy, abnormal fraudulent self is bared to the nation," the letter warned.

According to researcher Beverly Gage, who found the letter in the personal papers of Mr.

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erly and clearly address government abuses and the targeting of civil rights and Black Power movement leaders and organizations.

This sordid and disgusting episode in U.S. intelligence activity isn't important for purely historical reasons. With the ever-expanding security state inside America and the continued erosion of civil liberties, the letter "No person can overcome the facts, not even a fraud like yourself. Lend your sexually psychotic ear to the enclosure. You will find yourself and in all your dirt, filth, evil and moronic talk exposed on the record for all time... Listen to yourself, you filthy, abnormal animal. You are on the record," said letter from the FBI to Dr. King written in 1964.

Hoover, the FBI was monitoring Dr. King and planting listening devices around him in 1963, unhappy with his closeness to a White fundraiser and Communist and criticism of FBI failures to protect Black lives in the South.

The letter was also designed "to try to fracture movements and pit leaders against one another," she added. After passage of 1964 civil rights legislation, Ms. Gage noted in the New York Times, Mr. Hoover labeled Dr. King "the most notorious liar in the country." Ms. Gage believes a Hoover deputy actually wrote and had the letter sent to Dr. King.

The "debate over how much the government should know about our private lives has never been more heated: Should intelligence agencies be able to sweep our email, read our texts, track our phone calls, locate us by GPS? Much of the conversation swirls around the possibility that agencies like the N.S.A. or the F.B.I. will use such information not to serve national security but to carry out personal and political vendettas. King's experience reminds us that these are far from idle fears, conjured in the fevered minds of civil libertarians. They are based in the hard facts of history," Ms. Gage noted.

"Imagine Facebook chats, porn viewing history, emails, and more made public to discredit

#### KING,

In view of your low grade, abnormal personal behavoir I will not dignify your name with either a Mr. or a Reverend or a Dr. And, your last name calls to mind only the type of King such as King Henry the VIII and his countless acts of adultery and immoral conduct lower than that of a beast.

King, look into your heart. You know you are a complete fraud and a <u>breat linbility</u> to all of us Negroes. White people in this country have enough frauds of their own but I dm sure they don't have one at this time that is any where near your equal. You are no clergyman and you know it. I repeat you are a colossal froud and an evil, vicious one at that. You could not believe in God and act as you do. Clearly you don't believe in any personal moral principles.

King, like all frauds your end is approaching. You could have been our greatest leader. You, even at an early age have turned out to be not a leader but a dissolute, shormal moral imbecile. We will now have to depend on our older leaders like Wilkins a man of character and thank God we have others like wilkins a mon of character and thank God we have others like him. But you are done. Your "honorary" degrees, your Nobel Prize (what a grin farce) and other awards will not save you. King, I repeat you are done.

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a leader who threatens the status quo, or used to blackmail a reluctant target into becoming an FBI informant. These are not far-fetched ideas. They are the reality of what happens when the surveillance state is allowed to grow out of control, and the full King letter, as well as current intelligence community practices illustrate that

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But the targeting of Dr. King was not an isolated incident but part of a concerted U.S. government effort to derail the Black struggle and demand for freedom, justice and equality.

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