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Moorish Science Temple of America

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

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FILE NO. 100-10995 d

REPORT MADE AT BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS	DATE WHEN MADE 5/31/44	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 5/17/44	REPORT MADE BY [REDACTED] b7c
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TITLE b7c MOORISH SCIENCE TEMPLE, INC. [REDACTED] of the Eastern Division	CHARACTER OF CASE INTERNAL SECURITY J SELECTIVE SERVICE SEDITION
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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: The subject organization has filed incorporate papers in the State of Massachusetts under the name "The Moorish Science Temple - The Divine and National Movement of North America Incorporated." Incorporate papers reviewed. Officers, directors and addresses set forth. The subject estate located at Becket, Massachusetts, suffered a \$1,000 damage caused by fire on May 13, 1944. An account of the fire is set forth.

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REFERENCE: b7c Report of Special Agent [REDACTED] Boston, 5/4/44

DETAILS: b7c This case is being re-opened to report the information pertaining to the organization incorporating in the State of Massachusetts.

[REDACTED] The writer received a call from the Office of the Corporation on 5/17/44 stating that they had received the incorporate papers with an attached check of twenty-five dollars as the incorporate fee, requesting that this organization be incorporated under the laws of the State of Massachusetts.

The writer reviewed the corporate papers and the following information was obtained: The name of the organization is to be known as "The Moorish Science Temple - The Divine and National Movement of North America Incorporated. The principal office in Massachusetts is located in the town of Becket. The purpose for the purpose of uplifting fallen humanity, to teach our people to obey the laws of our government, also their nationality and religion and to promote good American citizenship.

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through charitable and religious educational programs. The first meeting of the organization was held in Room 33, 1214 Main Street, Springfield, Massachusetts, on May 8, 1944 at 10 AM.

All members hereinafter designated as directors and officers were present at this meeting.

Some of the by-laws other than the usual routine by-laws were listed as follows: the name is the same as mentioned above, principal office - Becket, Massachusetts, Hampshire County. The seal of the corporation will be circular in form and shall contain the name of the corporation, the year of its incorporation and the word "Massachusetts." The fiscal year of the corporation shall end December 31. The purpose is the same as previously mentioned. The officers shall consist of President, clerk, treasurer and board of ten directors. Each officer is to hold his office for the term of one year unless removed by death, resignation or expulsion. Meetings of the corporation shall be held the second Wednesday of each month. The annual meeting will be the 15th of September and all officers will be elected that day. The membership fee shall be set by the Board of Directors.

The following are the names and addresses of the incorporators:

EDMUND C. PARRIS, Bey,	RFD 34A, Becket, Mass.
EUGENIA WRIGHT, Bey	RFD 34A, Becket, Mass.
RUSSELL A. WILSON, Bey	RFD 34A, Becket, Mass.
ABDULLA C. WATSON, El	111 1/2 Monroe Street, Springfield, Mass.
FREDERICK D. TURNER, El	RFD 34A, Becket, Mass.
ALYCE E. WATSON, Bey	47 Cedar Street, Springfield, Mass.
KATHERINE H. JONES, Bey	253 Walnut Street, Springfield, Mass.
RUSSELL L. WATSON, El.	47 Cedar Street, Springfield, Mass.

The Board of Directors consist of the above mentioned incorporators the following officers:

President - Frederick D. Turner, El,	Becket, Mass., RFD 34-A
Treasurer - Eugenia Wright, Bey	Becket, Mass., RFD 34-A
Clerk-Secretary Abdulla C. Watson, El	Springfield, Mass., 111 1/2 Monroe Street

and RICHARD SCOTT, Bey, 337 Decatur Street, Brooklyn, New York,
and MARIE CARLINGTON, El, 337 Decatur Street, Brooklyn, New York

The letter forwarding the incorporate papers together with a check for \$25 signed by Attorney Lloyd S. Bardach drawn on the Third National Bank and Trust

Company, Springfield, Massachusetts, was dated May 13, 1944.

A newspaper clipping appearing in the Berkshire Eagle, Pittsfield, Massachusetts, dated May 13, 1944 reports the reference fire at the subject's estate in Becket Massachusetts:

"The Fire Department was called at 3 yesterday afternoon to fight a fire at the Moorish Science Temple property, formerly the Berkshire Homestead Farms and Edwin A. Carter's Dallyhooley place.

"A rubbish pile became ignited and the fire quickly spread to two nearby buildings, an ice house and a root cellar. Both were totally destroyed with a loss of about \$1000. The department responded promptly but was unable to save the buildings. Water for the big pumper was drawn from the private pond more than 1000 feet up a steep grade, the pumper throwing two strong streams on the burning buildings. Firemen were able to control the fire and prevent it spreading to the large farm barn and the near-by farmhouse.

"Several young women assisted the firemen in controlling the large grass fire that burned over an acre or more of land."

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A copy of this report is being designated for New Haven in view of the fact that the subject organization is also incorporated under the laws of Connecticut.

A copy of this report is being designated for New York in view of the fact that several members of this organization reside in that area.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1
THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **CHICAGO, ILLINOIS**

FILE NO. 100-5698

REPORT MADE AT RICHMOND, VIRGINIA	DATE WHEN MADE 5-30-44	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 4-25, 26-44; 5-11, 14-44	REPORT MADE BY [REDACTED] <i>b7c</i>
TITLE MOORISH SCIENCE TEMPLE OF AMERICA INCORPORATED, ET AL			CHARACTER OF CASE INTERNAL SECURITY - J SEDITION SELECTIVE SERVICE

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

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[REDACTED]

Local Boards No. 1 through No. 8 at Richmond were contacted and all the information in their files concerning members of this organization obtained. [REDACTED] in interview states that thirty members presently attend the meetings, and that the purpose of the Richmond Branch is for immediate peace, but hope that America will beat the Japanese in the present war.

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Report of Special Agent [REDACTED] dated March 14, 1944, at Richmond, Virginia.

DETAILS:

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AT RICHMOND, VIRGINIA:

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A check of the City Directory for the City of Richmond lists the following BEY's and TL's:

[REDACTED] BEY (c)

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[REDACTED] BEY (c)

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Eyes	Brown
Hair	Black
Complexion	Light Brown
Race	Oriental (?)
Scars & Marks	Has a long beard and broken right leg
Address	At present time is reported to be living at [REDACTED]

b7c [REDACTED] BEY: This individual is registered at Local Board #6, Richmond, Virginia, Order Number [REDACTED]. He registered on [REDACTED] 1942, and at that time he was employed at the [REDACTED] Richmond, Virginia. He was recently classified 1-AH on [REDACTED] 1943. In his Selective Service Questionnaire he stated that his Social Security Number was [REDACTED]. He listed his employer as being the [REDACTED] Richmond, Virginia. However, he pointed out that he was serving temporarily as a minister that was not ordained at the Moorish Science Temple of America, 13 East Charity Street, Richmond, Virginia. His wife is employed [REDACTED] in Richmond.

[REDACTED] BEY listed as his dependents, his mother [REDACTED] BEY and his father [REDACTED] BEY, both residing at [REDACTED] Richmond.

He was described as follows:

Age	[REDACTED]
Date of Birth	[REDACTED]
Place of Birth	[REDACTED]
Height	5' 6"
Weight	170
Eyes	Brown [REDACTED]
Hair	Brown [REDACTED]
Complexion	Light Brown
Race	Moorish-American
Wife	[REDACTED] BEY, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] BEY: This individual is registered by Local Board #3, at Richmond. He was given Order Number [REDACTED]. In this file it was noted that he was born in [REDACTED] and that he is employed by the [REDACTED] Richmond, Virginia, as a car washer. This individual could not read nor write and the Board filled in his questionnaire, in which he claimed to be living with his mother [REDACTED] BEY, age 56, and his sister [REDACTED] BEY, age 21, [REDACTED] age 5, and his niece [REDACTED] BEY, age 3.

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[REDACTED] BEY: This individual registered on [REDACTED] 1940, and was assigned Serial Number [REDACTED] and Order Number [REDACTED]. This subject was remembered by [REDACTED] of the Local Board, because he claimed that he was not a negro and objected to being inducted with the negroes and examined by a negro doctor. The Local Board sent him to Baltimore to be examined at an Induction Center there. A letter was received by the Local Board dated March 19, 1943, from Local Board #18, 110 East Lexington Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland, advising them that they had handled the subject's examination at the Induction Center and that [REDACTED] BEY had been rejected.

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In an interview with [REDACTED] stated that this individual had refused to comply with the Board when they requested him to appear for his blood test. He refused to comply on the grounds that he was not a negro and therefore should be examined by a white doctor. However, the Board threatened to classify him as a delinquent and report him to the United States Attorney if he refused to appear for his examination. Therefore, the subject appeared for the examination.

His occupational questionnaire dated June 23, 1944, indicated that he was employed as a baker by the [REDACTED] Baltimore. At one time this individual was living at [REDACTED] Baltimore.

Another letter was dated June 23, 1942, to Local Board #4, at Richmond, from Local Board #18 in Baltimore, which indicated that BEY was ordered to report for his blood test at the Provident Hospital. He refused to allow his examining doctor to be a negro and walked out of the Hospital rather than to be examined by one. The letter stated that the reason he did this was that he claimed to be a Moorish-American rather than a negro.

On February 2, 1942, the Department of Public Welfare for the City of Richmond, directed a letter to Local Board #4, requesting that Board to furnish them with the address of the subject. They were checking this information because the subject was not supporting his children. The Local Board stated in their reply that this individual had moved to Chicago and could be reached c/o Mohammedan Church in that city.

According to the registration card this subject is described as follows:

Age	[REDACTED]
Date of Birth	[REDACTED]
Place of Birth	[REDACTED]
Height	5'5"
Weight	125

Eyes	Black
Hair	Black
Complexion	Dark Brown
Race	Oriental(?)
Marital Status	Married
Address	[REDACTED] Bey's [REDACTED] Richmond, Virginia
Occupation	Baker

[REDACTED] BEY: This individual was registered at Local Board #7, Richmond, Virginia. He has no Order Number there, but his Serial Number is [REDACTED]. He gave as his address [REDACTED] Richmond, and the person who would always know his address as being [REDACTED] Richmond, Virginia. He listed as his Social Security Number [REDACTED].

He was described on his registration card as follows:

Age	[REDACTED]
Date of Birth	[REDACTED]
Place of Birth	[REDACTED]
Height	5' 11"
Weight	205
Race	Negro
Hair	Black
Eyes	Black
Complexion	Light Brown
Occupation	[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] BEI: This individual is registered at Local Board #3, at Richmond. He has no Order Number. His Selective Service file indicates that he is not employed because he suffers from heart trouble. However, at one time he was a cabinet maker and tobacco stemmer.

He is described on his registration card as follows:

Age	[REDACTED]
Date of Birth	[REDACTED]
Place of Birth	[REDACTED]
Height	5' 7"
Weight	129
Complexion	Olive
Eyes	Brown
Hair	Gray
Race	Moorish-American

He listed as the person who would always know his address as being [REDACTED] BEY, [REDACTED] Richmond, Virginia.

The Clerk of the Local Board advised that [REDACTED] the Social Service Bureau for Richmond, Virginia, was interested in this individual.

[REDACTED] was interviewed on the same date, and she advised that this individual had applied to her for assistance from the City. During the interview with her, BEY stated that he was suffering from a severe case of heart trouble and was not able to work. [REDACTED] believed that there is a warrant out for his arrest as a wife deserter.

Present with [REDACTED] BEY was [REDACTED] TL, who claimed to be an ordained minister of the Moorish Science Temple of America. [REDACTED] TL accompanied [REDACTED] BEY as an advisor and assisted him in answering all the questions which [REDACTED] asked. [REDACTED] stated that BEY indicated that he had joined the Moorish Science Temple about eight years ago.

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[REDACTED] BEY: This individual is registered at Local Board #3, Richmond, Virginia. His file indicated that he was employed by [REDACTED] Richmond, Virginia.

[REDACTED] Clerk of Board, advised she remembered this subject's last contact with the Board. On that occasion he objected to being called a negro and produced a card which had two palms crossed on it, and the words "Chicago, Illinois".

[REDACTED] BEY used this card as his credentials to prove that he was not a negro, but rather a Moor.

[REDACTED] BEY is described as follows on his registration card:

Age	[REDACTED]
Date of Birth	[REDACTED]
Place of Birth	[REDACTED]
Height	5' 9"
Weight	162
Eyes	Brown
Hair	Black
Complexion	Dark Brown
Race	Moor (?)
Address	[REDACTED]

address [REDACTED] BEY, [REDACTED] He listed as the person who would always know his

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This individual is not classified as yet by the Board, and has not been assigned either an Order or Serial Number.

BEY: This individual was registered at Local Board #2, Richmond, Virginia. There he is classified as 4-F because of his age and his Order Number is [REDACTED] and his Serial Number is [REDACTED]

He is described on his registration card as follows:

Age	[REDACTED]
Date of Birth	[REDACTED]
Place of Birth	[REDACTED]
Height	5' 9"
Weight	154
Race	Negro
Eyes	Brown
Complexion	Dark Brown
Scars & Marks	Scar on neck, little finger right hand off, right thumb stiff

Social Security No. [REDACTED]

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He listed [REDACTED] as being his common-law wife, and [REDACTED], age 17, as being his son. He indicated that on [REDACTED] 1912, he was arrested for disorderly conduct in connection with a felony and served two years. On [REDACTED] 1924, he was again arrested for a felony and served five years. Both of these sentences were imposed in Richmond.

BEY: This individual is registered at Local Board #4, Richmond. His Order Number is [REDACTED] and his Serial Number is [REDACTED]. He was classified 4-A on [REDACTED] 1942. At the time of his registration he was employed by [REDACTED] a junk dealer at [REDACTED] Richmond, Virginia. In his Selective Service questionnaire dated [REDACTED] 1942, he gave as his Social Security number [REDACTED] and his occupation as being laborer employed by [REDACTED]

He listed as his dependents, his wife [REDACTED] BEY, age 35, and his daughter [REDACTED] BEY, age 4.

His file described him as follows:

Age	[REDACTED]
Place of Birth	[REDACTED]

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Date of Birth	[REDACTED]
Height	5' 6"
Weight	165
Eyes	Brown
Hair	Black
Complexion	Dark Brown
Race	Negro
Scars & Marks	Scar on right hand

KEY: This individual was registered with Local Board #3, at Richmond where he is classified in 1-A and has Serial Number [REDACTED]. At the present time, he has not been assigned to any Order Number. His selective Service questionnaire dated [REDACTED] 1942, reveals that he is married, but separated from his wife and is employed by the [REDACTED] Richmond, Virginia.

He was described as follows on his registration card:

Age	[REDACTED]
Date of Birth	[REDACTED]
Place of Birth	[REDACTED]
Height	4' 4"
Weight	110
Eyes	Brown
Hair	Black
Complexion	Dark Brown
Race	Mockish-American
Address	[REDACTED]

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KEY: This individual is registered at Local Board #5, Richmond, Virginia. His Serial Number is [REDACTED]. In his occupational questionnaire dated [REDACTED] 1942, he listed his employer as being the [REDACTED].

His registration card describes him as follows:

Age	[REDACTED]
Date of Birth	[REDACTED]
Place of Birth	[REDACTED]
Height	5' 3"
Weight	142
Eyes	Brown
Hair	Black
Complexion	Dark Brown

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Race

Negro

At the time of his registration he was employed by [redacted] This individual has not been classified as yet by the Local Board. He listed as his address [redacted]

[redacted] EL: This individual is registered at Local Board #3, and was classified into 1-AH on [redacted] 1944. He listed at the time of his registration as his employer, [redacted] where he was employed as a janitor.

On his registration card he was described as:

Age	[redacted]
Date of Birth	[redacted]
Place of Birth	[redacted]
Height	5' 11"
Weight	150
Eyes	Brown
Hair	Black
Complexion	Dark Brown
Race	Moorish-American
Address	[redacted]

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The person who would always know his address was listed as [redacted] He was listed as married but not living with his wife.

[redacted] EL: This individual is registered with Local Board #5, where he is given Serial Number [redacted] He has not been assigned an Order Number. This individual has never filled out his Selective Service forms, but because of age the Board did not classify him as being a delinquent.

He is described on his registration card as follows:

Age	[redacted]
Date of Birth	[redacted]
Place of Birth	[redacted]
Height	5' 8"
Weight	140
Eyes	Brown
Hair	Black
Complexion	Dark Brown

Race Negro
Address [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] H: This individual is registered at Local Board #6, Richmond, where he is assigned Serial Number [REDACTED] and has no Order Number. This individual is illiterate and can not read nor write. He received assistance of the Board in filling out his Selective Service questionnaire and his signature marked by an "X" was witnessed by [REDACTED]

He is described on his registration card as follows:

Age	[REDACTED]
Date of Birth	[REDACTED]
Place of Birth	[REDACTED]
Height	5' 6"
Weight	155
Eyes	Brown
Hair	Black
Complexion	Dark Brown
Race	Negro
Occupation	Laborer, employed by [REDACTED]
	Richmond, Virginia
Person always knowing address	[REDACTED] EL
Social Security No.	[REDACTED]
Education	2 years grade school

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[REDACTED] H: This individual is registered at Local Board #5, at Richmond, where he is assigned Serial Number [REDACTED] and Order Number [REDACTED]. He was classified in 4-F on January 19, 1942. It was noted in his Selective Service file that he had claimed to be a Conscientious Objector. However, the Board forwarded to him the necessary papers for a Conscientious Objector to fill out and return and they were never returned to the Board, and due to his classification as 4-F the Board considered the matter dropped.

He was described on his registration card as follows:

Age	[REDACTED]
Date of Birth	[REDACTED]
Place of Birth	[REDACTED]
Height	5' 7"

Weight	140
Eyes	Brown
Hair	Black
Complexion	Light brown
Race	Negro
Scars & Marks	Scar on left arm above elbow from operation. Has weak heart and fallen arches.
Occupation	Laborer employed by the [REDACTED]
Marital Status	Married but separated from wife and children
Children	[REDACTED] age 9 [REDACTED] age 2
Person always knowing address	[REDACTED] Richmond, Virginia

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[REDACTED] of Local Board was interviewed in connection with the subject's request for classification of Conscientious Objector. She indicated that she was not familiar with the grounds upon which he based his request, inasmuch as the subject had been classified 4-F and the Board had not considered him to be delinquent. However, arrangements were made through her to have [REDACTED] re-interviewed concerning his request for classification as a Conscientious Objector.

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The reporting agent interviewed him [REDACTED]. During this interview he stated that he was a member of the Moorish Science Temple of America, whose Richmond address was on East Charity Street in Richmond. He stated that this was a religious organization which formerly believed in peace and did not support any war. When questioned as to whether or not he would prefer to see the Japanese win the war by the United States taking a peace stand, he stated that he did not want either the Japanese or the Americans to win the war. However, when questioned again in the same vein, he stated that he was in favor of the United States winning the war with the Japanese, and also hoped the United States would be victorious over Germany. He stated that in Richmond at the present time about thirty people attend the meetings of the Moorish Science Temple. This is in contrast to about one hundred people who attended the meetings about two years ago. He stated that many have drifted away from the religion. However, this Church is still quite active.

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He stated that at no time as far as he could remember have any white persons or Japanese spoken before the Temple at Richmond. He mentioned NOBLE DREW ALI of Chicago, and KIRKMAN BEY as being the only two outsiders whom he ever remembered having spoken before the group here in

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Richmond.

He stated that it was also the belief of the religion that the members were of Spanish ancestry. Their ancestors migrated to Morocco where they were made slaves and brought to the United States several hundred years ago. They do not want to be classified as negroes and claim that they are either Orientals or Moroccans.

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When asked to produce his credentials showing that he was a Moor rather than a negro, he stated that he did not have it on him, and as a matter of fact never did have one. ████████ EL, it is to be noted, appeared to be very cooperative though ignorant.

Clerks of all the Local Boards at Richmond, when questioned concerning the individuals listed above, advised that none of them were delinquent at the present time, and that none of them had ever appeared to object to entering the Armed Forces if the Board so requested.

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AT RICHMOND, VIRGINIA:

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To supplement previous information and investigative reports furnished to you and forwarded to the Division of Records, there are being forwarded herewith the following investigative reports:

Report of Special Agent [redacted] dated March 9, 1944, at Indianapolis, Indiana;

Report of Special Agent [redacted] dated March 14, 1944, at Richmond, Virginia;

Report of Special Agent [redacted] dated March 16, 1944, at Milwaukee, Wisconsin;

Report of Special Agent [redacted] dated March 17, 1944, at Miami, Florida;

Report of Special Agent [redacted] dated March 21, 1944, at Chicago, Illinois;

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Report of Special Agent [redacted] dated April 22, 1944, at Savannah, Georgia;

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Report of Special Agent [redacted] dated April 5, 1944, at Atlanta, Georgia.

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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: **[REDACTED]**

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Officers and leaders set forth. Selective Service records at Hartford checked concerning members, and no registrants found delinquent. Brief data and descriptions of members registering for Selective Service set forth. Some members not found to be registered at Hartford, but possibly registered elsewhere. Selective Service check revealed one conscientious objector who later withdrew his objection.

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REFERENCE: Bureau File No. 62-25889.

Report of Special Agent **[REDACTED]** dated February 10, 1944 at New Haven, Connecticut.

DETAILS: AT HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT:

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SELECTIVE SERVICE REGISTRATIONS AND DATA

The records of Local Draft Boards 2B and 3 at Hartford, Connecticut were thoroughly checked for the registration of the male members of the Moorish Science Temple at Hartford.

The records of those members found to be registered at Local Draft Board 2B at Hartford are as follows:

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Name	[REDACTED] BEY
Address	[REDACTED]
Height	6' 3"
Weight	175 lbs.
Date of Birth	[REDACTED]
Place of Birth	[REDACTED]
Age	43
Eyes	Black
Hair	Black
Race	Moorish-American
Employer	[REDACTED]
Relatives	Wife, [REDACTED] BEY, same address
Selective Service	Class 3A (H)
Order No.	[REDACTED]

Name	[REDACTED] BEY
Address	[REDACTED]
Date of Birth	[REDACTED]
Place of Birth	[REDACTED]
Age	42
Height	6'

Weight 168 lbs.
 Race Negro (Says not negro, Indian)
 Eyes Brown
 Hair Black
 Employment [REDACTED]
 Selective Service Class 1A (H) - rejected
 Order No. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] BEY
 Address [REDACTED]
 Date of birth [REDACTED]
 Place of Birth [REDACTED]
 Age 42
 Race Negro
 Height 5' 8"
 Weight 172 lbs.
 Eyes Black
 Hair Black
 Race Moorish American
 Scars or Marks Moles on forehead and lip.
 Employer [REDACTED]
 Person knowing address, etc. [REDACTED] BEY
 Selective Service Class 3A (H)
 Order No. [REDACTED]

Name [REDACTED]
 Date of Birth [REDACTED]
 Place of Birth [REDACTED]
 Age 38
 Height 5' 9 1/2"
 Weight 170 lbs.
 Race Negro (Moorish race)
 Eyes Brown
 Hair Black
 Complexion Olive
 Address [REDACTED] (formerly 41
 Surfside St.)
 Employer Trucking Company (Morin, Phil. Navy yard)
 Selective Service Class 2B
 Order No. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] BEY
 Address [REDACTED]
 Date of Birth [REDACTED]
 Place of Birth [REDACTED]
 Age 66
 Height 5' 4"
 Weight 160 lbs.
 Race Negro
 Eyes Brown
 Hair Gray
 Complexion Dark brown
 Selective Service Serial No. [REDACTED]
 Employer [REDACTED]

Person knowing address

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 [REDACTED] BEY,
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Name [REDACTED]
 Address [REDACTED]
 Date of Birth [REDACTED]
 Place of Birth [REDACTED]
 Age 57
 Height 6'
 Weight 160 lbs.
 Race Negro
 Eyes Black
 Hair Black
 Complexion Black
 Scars or Marks Broken bone on third finger left hand.
 Employer [REDACTED]
 Person knowing address [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] BEY
 [REDACTED]
 [REDACTED] BEY, same address

Selective Service

Serial No. [REDACTED]

Name [REDACTED]
 Address [REDACTED]
 Date of Birth [REDACTED]
 Place of Birth [REDACTED]
 Age 34
 Height 6' 1"
 Weight 220 lbs.
 Race Specifies race as Moorish-American
 Eyes Brown
 Hair Black

[REDACTED] BEY
 [REDACTED]
 [REDACTED]

Complexion Dark Brown
 Employer [REDACTED]
 Relatives Wife, [REDACTED] BEY
 Selective Service Class 2n
 Order No. [REDACTED]

Name [REDACTED] BEY
 Date of Birth [REDACTED]
 Place of Birth [REDACTED]
 Age 42
 Height 5' 11"
 Weight 165 lbs.
 Race Moorish-American
 Eyes Brown
 Hair Black
 Scars or Marks Line in left leg
 Address [REDACTED]
 Employer Unemployed
 Person knowing address [REDACTED] BEY, same address
 Selective Service Class 14 (H)
 Order No. [REDACTED]

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Name [REDACTED] BEY
 Address [REDACTED]
 Date of Birth [REDACTED]
 Place of Birth [REDACTED]
 Age 48
 Height 5' 9"
 Weight 204 lbs.
 Race Negro
 Eyes Brown
 Hair Black
 Complexion Dark Brown
 Scars or Marks Scars on forehead and head
 Employer [REDACTED]
 Relatives Wife [REDACTED]
 Selective Service Serial No. [REDACTED]

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Name ANDREW STARLING EL
 Address 97 Suffield St.
 Date of Birth 10/13/79
 Place of Birth Thomaston, Georgia
 Age 64
 Race Negro
 Eyes Brown
 Hair Gray
 Complexion Black
 Employer F. H. McGraw & Co., 780 Windsor St.
 Selective Service Serial No. U 4915
 Height and Weight 5'6", 193 lbs.

Name [REDACTED]
 Address [REDACTED]
 Place of Birth [REDACTED]
 Date of Birth [REDACTED]
 Age 41
 Height 5' 11"
 Weight 185 lbs.
 Race Negro
 Eyes Black
 Hair Black
 Complexion Dark Brown
 Employer [REDACTED]
 Selective Service Class 1A (H)
 Order No. [REDACTED]

Name [REDACTED] BEY
 Address [REDACTED]
 Date of Birth [REDACTED]
 Place of Birth [REDACTED]
 Age 20
 Height 58 8"
 Weight 122 lbs.
 Race Negro (Status Moorish-American)
 Selective Service Class 1C
 Order No. [REDACTED]

The Selective Service file on [REDACTED] BEY bears the notation that on March 26, 1943 he wrote letter to [REDACTED]

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negro representative of Local Draft Board 28 advised that his father is head of Moorish Science Temple [redacted] and requested deferment to help on farm. This was refused and [redacted] BEY was classified 1-A and inducted, and classified 1-C.

TOBE JONES	Wooster St.
Address	7/4/80
Date of Birth	Clay County, Georgia
Place of Birth	63
Age	5' 7"
Height	138 lbs.
Weight	Negro
Race	Black
Eyes	Gray
Hair	Dark Brown
Complexion	Wingfield Co., Hartford
Employer	Serial No. W 294
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Name	[redacted]
Address	[redacted]
Date of Birth	[redacted]
Place of Birth	[redacted]
Age	53
Height	5' 7"
Weight	137 lbs.
Race	Negro
Eyes	Gray
Hair	Black
Complexion	Light Brown
Employer	[redacted]
Selective Service	Serial No. [redacted]

Name	[redacted]
Address	[redacted]
Date of Birth	[redacted]
Place of Birth	[redacted]
Age	18

Height 5' 8 1/2"
 Weight 150 lbs.
 Race Negro (States he is Moorish-American)
 Eyes Brown
 Hair Black
 Complexion Dark Brown
 Employer [REDACTED]

Person knowing address [REDACTED]
 Selective Service Order No. Classified 1A [REDACTED]

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 Name [REDACTED]
 Address [REDACTED]
 Date of Birth [REDACTED]
 Age 19
 Height 5' 6"
 Weight 149 lbs.
 Race Negro (States he is Moorish-American)
 Eyes Brown
 Hair Black
 Complexion Light Brown
 Selective Service Order No. Class 1C [REDACTED]
 Person knowing address [REDACTED]

Records of those members found to be registered with Local Draft Board 3 at Hartford, Connecticut are as follows:

Name [REDACTED] BEY
 Address [REDACTED]
 Date of Birth [REDACTED]
 Place of Birth [REDACTED]
 Height 5' 7"
 Weight 132 lbs.
 Employer [REDACTED]
 Race Moorish - Negro
 Selective Service Order No. Class 1C [REDACTED]

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Name [REDACTED]
 Address [REDACTED]
 Date of Birth [REDACTED]
 Place of Birth [REDACTED]
 Age 56
 Height 6' 1"
 Weight 186 lbs.
 Hair Black
 Complexion Black
 Race Negro
 Scars or Marks Tattoo on left arm
 Employer [REDACTED]
 Selective Service Serial No. [REDACTED]

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Name [REDACTED] BEY
 Address [REDACTED]
 Date of Birth [REDACTED]
 Place of Birth [REDACTED]
 Height 5' 8"
 Weight 100 lbs.
 Eyes Brown
 Hair Black
 Complexion Dark
 Race Moorish-American (Negro crossed out)
 Selective Service Class 1A (H)
 Order No. [REDACTED]

The Selective Service file on [REDACTED] BEY reflected that he appealed 1A classification because of conscientious objection. The file contained a letter dated July 16, 1942 which read as follows:

"I am conscientious objector because our teaching inspires one not to want to harm any living thing. We must work in the practice Love, Truth, Peace, Freedom, and Justice."

/s/ [REDACTED] BEY

On October 20, 1942 he withdrew conscientious objector claim.

The Selective Service data on [REDACTED] BEY has been previously submitted in the referenced report.

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UNDEVELOPED LEADS

THE NEW YORK FIELD DIVISION

AT NEW YORK CITY

A copy of this report is being designated to the New York Field Division inasmuch as there is information contained herein regarding the past activities of [REDACTED] EL of Brooklyn, New York

THE NEW HAVEN FIELD DIVISION

AT WOODSTOCK, CONNECTICUT

Will ascertain the registered owner of the cooperative farm of the Moorish Science Temple located near Woodstock, Conn., and will inquire into the activities of the various residents of the farm with special reference as to the activities of the [REDACTED] BEY and [REDACTED] BEY.

Will check the records of the Local Draft Board covering Woodstock, Connecticut for the Selective Service registrations of known members of the Hartford Branch of the Moorish Science Temple whose registrations have not already been located at Hartford.

AT HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT

Will request [REDACTED] for further information concerning the activities of the Local Chapter at Hartford.

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Form No. 1
THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **Chicago, Illinois**

FILE NO. **61-293**

REPORT MADE AT Chicago, Illinois	DATE WHEN MADE 5/27/44	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 4/12, 13; 5/12, 16/44	REPORT MADE BY [REDACTED] b7c oak
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MOORISH SCIENCE TEMPLE OF AMERICA, INCORPORATED; COLONEL C. KIRKMAN BEY, was., Supreme Grand Advisor and Moderator, ET AL	CHARACTER OF CASE INTERNAL SECURITY - J SEDITION; DESTRUCTION AND OVERTHROW OF GOVERNMENT
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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

KIRKMAN BEY states that all of the Temples operating independently of his organization are fraudulent. He is presently instituting court action against [REDACTED] BEY, [REDACTED] Branch, 3229 South Indiana Avenue, claims that KIRKMAN organized a separate organization from that organized by the Prophet NOBLE DREW ALI. [REDACTED]

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REFERENCE: *bx* Report of Special Agent [REDACTED] dated March 21, 1944, at Chicago, Illinois.

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On April 12, 1944, CHARLES KIRKMAN BEY, 1104 North Sedgwick, was interviewed at his home by the reporting agent, concerning [REDACTED] BEY, who was a former [REDACTED] Detroit, Michigan. It is noteworthy [REDACTED] BEY, with aliases, is presently under indictment in Newark, New Jersey for Selective Service violation. Information

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b7c concerning [redacted] has been incorporated in a separate report. The following additional information concerning KIRKMAN and his organization was obtained in the interview:

KIRKMAN claimed to be an interpreter for the Prophet NOBLE DREW ALI while he was alive. He claimed that his education was as follows:

4 years - Delhi University, Delhi, India

4 years - Cairo University, Cairo, Egypt

2 years - Campbelle College, Mississippi, where he majored in agriculture.

b7c He was married while in Cairo to an Egyptian girl. Three children were born of this marriage but when he returned to the United States she would not accompany him whereupon he brought the youngest child with him and left his wife and two children in Cairo. Upon his return to the United States he married [redacted] by whom he has seven children among which are [redacted] and [redacted] who are presently serving in the Armed Forces. As proof of the fact that his sons were in the [redacted] he proudly exhibited pictures of them in uniform.

b7c, b7d Concerning [redacted] EL, who operates a separate branch at [redacted] KIRKMAN stated that he was of the opinion that [redacted] was very ill and not expected to live. Were it not for this fact, KIRKMAN stated that he would institute court action and prohibit [redacted] from conducting meetings inasmuch as he was operating fraudulently without the sanction of the governing body. In connection with this, KIRKMAN also stated that he was instituting court action against [redacted] EL in New York City for infringement. He stated this hearing was being held on [redacted] 1944 in New York City. The attorneys representing KIRKMAN were indicated as [redacted] New York City, New York.

According to KIRKMAN, he advocates that all members of his organization interest themselves in farms and farming; that they should attempt, whenever possible, to move onto farms. He stated that he has several more or less cooperative farms in which members can go to live, one of these being located at Prince, Georgia and the other near Hope, Indiana. He claimed that he uses his previous agricultural training in school to further the interest of these farms. He claims that he buys cattle and hogs from Michigan and Indiana and ships them to these farms. He stated that he had several International Trucks which he had formerly used for the furtherance of the transportation and shipping needs of the farms but that recently, due to the restriction on gasoline, he had been forced to discontinue the use of trucks. He also stated that there are plans under way to establish a similar farm in

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berkshire, Connecticut. He stated that regular meetings are being held at 1032 Orleans Street on Sundays; that formerly they held meetings on Tuesday and Friday evenings but due to the fact that the hall is being utilized by the Masons during week days, they were unable to rent the hall. He claimed that the membership of Temple No. [redacted] is around four or five hundred members, the Grand Sheik of this Temple being [redacted] EL.

In connection with the organization, KIRKMAN was asked if at any time there had been any affiliations with the Japanese and was further questioned as to whether or not the Japanese had ever contacted him or any members of his organization in view of using the organization as a propaganda organ for the Japanese Government. KIRKMAN denied that the organization had ever harbored any Japanese propensities or that Japanese agents had ever contacted him or any members of his organization. He did state, however, that he had heard that the Japanese had contacted the Pacific Movement of the Eastern World many years back and that it was his understanding that the Pacific Movement was a pro-Japanese organization which was an organ of the Japanese Government. He denied having any specific knowledge or ever having any affiliations with the Pacific Movement of the Eastern World, however.

On April 13, 1944, [redacted] REY [redacted] who is Assistant Grand Sheik of the [redacted] Branch, was interviewed by the reporting agent at his place of employment which is the [redacted]

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REY claimed that KIRKMAN and all others were operating fraudulently without authority; KIRKMAN had in fact organized his own organization by modifying the original charter which was known as the Moorish Holy Temple of Science to the Moorish Science Temple of America, Incorporated. He claimed that [redacted] EL was at the present gravely ill and unable to see any visitors. He further claimed that the organization was in no way un-American or pro-Japanese; that they merely taught the five principles of love, truth, peace, freedom and justice. Along this line, he stated that one member of [redacted] Branch had attended the Arabic School on South Wabash. He was of the opinion that this school was un-American and that the member had gone again to this school against his will but he was unable to stop him. From the description given by [redacted] of the Arabic School, it is believed that the school in question was a mosque located at 4448 South Wabash under the tutelage of [redacted] who is the leader of the Ahmadiyya Movement in Islam. At the present time, this mosque is apparently closed.

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The CHICAGO FIELD DIVISION

At Chicago, Illinois, will, through informants, keep abreast of the activities of the subject organization.

b7c One copy of this report is being designated to the New York Field Division inasmuch as KIRKMAN has been instituting court action against [REDACTED] EL who operates a separate branch of the organization in New York and vicinity.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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TITLE MOORISH SCIENCE TEMPLE OF AMERICA, INC. COLONEL C. KIRKMAN BEY, with aliases, Supreme Grand Adviser and Moderator; et al			CHARACTER OF CASE INTERNAL SECURITY - J SEDITION; OVERTHROW AND DESTRUCTION OF GOVERNMENT

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

[REDACTED] They allege racial discrimination in United States and Great Britain. Meetings have been held at this address spasmodically since the United States' entry into the war. No un-American statements or activities noted by informants.

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Review of the "Moorish Vice" reflects national celebration at Temple No. [REDACTED] in Gary, and lists members in attendance.

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REFERENCE: Bureau File No. 62-25889 [REDACTED] Report of Special Agent [REDACTED] dated April 20, 1944 at Indianapolis, Indiana.

DETAILS: At Gary, Indiana

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Reporting agent contacted [REDACTED] BEY, who is employed as a boot black in the barber shop of [REDACTED] BEY, Field Representative of instant organization. This barbershop is located at [REDACTED] and is alleged to be the meeting place or headquarters of Temple [REDACTED] ary, Indiana. Reporting agent did not reveal his identity but engaged [REDACTED] in a conversation while [REDACTED] was shining agent's shoes. While waiting his turn reporting agent noted that [REDACTED] engaged two negro customers in a conversation regarding his service in the U. S. Army. Substantially [REDACTED] informed his negro customers that he had served a year and a half in the Army, five months of this time being served in the southern part of England. He claimed a medical discharge, and showed listeners that one of his limbs was shorter than the other. [REDACTED] that as a whole he liked army life and that it was the duty of all American people to fight for and protect this country. He felt that the experience in the trip to England was valuable to him, but bitterly criticized the "Jim Crowism" he experienced in the southern part of the United States and also in England. At one time [REDACTED] and the agent were alone in the barber shop., again he bitterly assailed the southerners, and then proceeded to give a discourse relative to himself and his Moorish ancestry. He declared there were no such people as negroes or colored people. He himself was a Mohammedan, an Asiatic, and a descendant of the Moorish people. Furthermore he could trace back his ancestry ten thousand years. He advised the agent he was a member of the Moorish Science Temple, indicating the crescent and star displayed in the store, and also the various group pictures and emblems of the organization. He carefully pointed out his own picture among the various members of a national convention of the organization, asserting he played in the band. He indicated a picture of the organization's flag, namely the Moroccan flag, and advised that the local members of the organization met in the rear of the barber shop.

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He mentioned and pointed out pictures of KIRKMAN BEY [REDACTED] BEY and his wife, and others attired in the regalia of the organization.

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During the agent's visit to the shop it was noted that a number of older men, not barber shop customers, passed through the shop and entered the quarters to the rear. Conversation was broken by the sudden entrance of [REDACTED] BEY, at which time [REDACTED] ceased his conversation. Just prior to her entrance [REDACTED] pointed out and displayed to the agent the organizational booklet, called the "Moorish Voice", which he stated were on sale to the members for ten cents.

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A review of the "Moorish Voice", national organ of Subject organization, reflected the following information about the Gary Branch, Temple 22, under the heading "National Events" written by Sister N. BARKER BEY.

"On November 27th an outstanding National Celebration was given at Branch Temple No. 22, Gary, Indiana. This celebration was given in honor of Brother and Sister C. BARKER BEY, Brother H. BARKER BEY, father, Mrs. NELLIE REYNOLDS, sister, and Mrs. JEWEL TURNER of Chicago. The kitchen staff was:

Sister N. BARKER BEY
Sister L. WASHINGTON EL
Sister W. BOLTON EL
Sister A. FORTEBEL
Sister C. BROWN BEY
Sister MAGGIE JONES BEY
Sister H. WAILES EL
Sister W. BOLTON BEY

Both the Temple and the shop (barber shop at 2160 Broadway) were beautifully decorated from front to rear. The shop was of two-tone colors. The Temple proper was of pearl white and cream. COLONEL C. KIRKMAN BEY, our Supreme Grand Advisor and Moderator, arrived at the time that Sister L. WASHINGTON EL and Sister N. BARKER BEY were engaged in making the dressing for the turkeys."

At the conclusion of the article the following statements appeared:

"The Moorish-American sisters who were present were:

Sister Princess Beyshauret Bey
Sister P. Jones Bey, Chicago
Sister J. Long Bey, Chicago
Sister Willie Bowman Bey, Chicago
Sister L. Washington El, Chicago
Sister M. Cook Bey, Chicago
Sister Brown Bey, Gary
Sister Julia Bolton El, Chicago
Sister Daisy Wiley Bey, Gary
Sister A. Ford El, Chicago
Sister C. Jackson Bey, Chicago
Sister Hilda Wilson Bey, Chicago
Sister P. M. Kirkman Bey, Chicago
Sister H. Jones Bey, East Chicago
Sister V. Wailes El, Gary
Sister L. Collins El, Chicago
Sister N. Barker Bey, Gary

"The Moorish-American brothers who were present were:

Colonel C. Kirkman Bey, Chicago
Brother C. Barker Bey, Gary

Brother J. Barker Bey, Gary
Brother Jackson Bey, Gary
Brother G. Cook Bey, Chicago
Brother Smith Bey, Chicago
Brother J. Brown Bey, Gary
Brother John Adams Bey, Chicago
Brother W. Talbot Bey, Chicago.

"all the Moors of Branch Temple No. 22, Gary, wish to extend thanks to all of the Moorish-Americans throughout the country for the wonderful support you gave in helping to make this affair a success."

A review of the report of Special Agent [redacted] dated December 15, 1943 at Chicago, Illinois reference Subject organization, reflected the [redacted]

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THE INDIANAPOLIS FIELD DIVISION

At Indianapolis, Indiana

b7c Temple No. [redacted] Will through informants obtain and report activities of Subject organization in an attempt to disclose possible violations of the Sedition Laws and Selective Service regulations.

At Gary, Indiana

Will report any activities of subject organization or its members, or information received through informants.

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The above [REDACTED] are white merchants located in the negro section of Gary and have business and social contacts with [REDACTED] BEY. All informants request their identity be withheld and that all information given by them be confidential.

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TITLE SCOTTISH SCIENCE TEMPLE OF AMERICA, INCORPORATED; ET AL			CHARACTER OF CASE INTERNAL SECURITY - J SECTION SELECTIVE SERVICE

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

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REFERENCE: **b7c** Report of Special Agent **[REDACTED]** dated May 30, 1944 at Richmond, Virginia.

DETAILS: AT RICHMOND, VIRGINIA.

During the course of another investigation **[REDACTED]** was contacted. He expressed a willingness to cooperate and was, therefore, invited to come to the office of the Richmond Field Division on the same evening and talk to the reporting agent. On the same evening, informant appeared at this office. **[REDACTED]**

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UNDEVELOPED LEADS

THE RICHMOND FIELD DIVISION

AT RICHMOND, VIRGINIA

Will follow and report the activities of the Moorish Science Temple.

Will recontact [REDACTED] and obtain from him the names of all members of the Temple.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **Chicago**

FILE NO. 14-39

REPORT MADE AT Chicago, Illinois	DATE WHEN MADE 7/6/44	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 6/9/44	REPORT MADE BY [REDACTED] ak
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TITLE ORIGINISH SCIENCE TEMPLE OF AMERICA	CHARACTER OF CASE SEDITION SECURITY MATTER - J
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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

No subversive activities noted on the part of subject organization. One member was overheard to say that subject organization believed and followed the principles of Mahatma Gandhi.

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REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent [REDACTED] dated February 9, 1944.

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Report of Special Agent [REDACTED] dated February 14, 1944 at Little Rock, Arkansas.

DETAILS: At Chicago, Illinois

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On June 9, 1944, the reporting agent contacted [REDACTED] regarding the activities of the subject organization which is located at 447 East 40th Street. He related the following story:

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There has been no unusual activity on the part of the group as far as he could determine. There has been in recent months the usual amount of out-of-town visitors who stay for a period of one or two weeks at 447 East 40th Street. A group of the members of the subject organization who reside at [REDACTED] were believed to have moved from that address to parts unknown inasmuch as a moving van from [REDACTED] Illinois was seen loading considerable baggage and material on approximately May 25, 1944. No subversive activity has been noted on the part of the subject organization.

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and close watch is being maintained by [REDACTED]

On June 9, 1944, [REDACTED] second floor, who owns the building at that address, wherein subject [REDACTED] EL resides, was contacted by thereporting agent. She related the following story:

The group has been unusually quiet and very little is heard or seen of their activity. They always talk in whispers or very low voices. Occasionally they are heard to sing as a group, indicating that they are conducting regular meetings within the building. They receive a very large volume of mail. Very often they receive special delivery packages. They buy food on a wholesale basis and it is believed that they have a form of cooperative buying whereby they may effect a savings by buying in large quantities.

One of the members was overheard to make the remark in a grocery store nearby that the group was in full accord with the principles of MAHATMA GHANDI and in fact followed principles set forth by GHANDI. The total membership of the group living in the vicinity totals approximately 50 members. No subversive activity has been noted on the part of the organization by the informant.

In view of the fact that no subversive activity has been noted, this case is being closed and any further activity of the subject organization will be included under the heading of the main subject file, "The Moorish Science Temple of America, Incorporated."

The Miami and Detroit Field Divisions, who have outstanding leads in this matter, were advised to discontinue investigation by teletype dated July 6, 1944.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

FILE NO. 100-5820

REPORT MADE AT PITTSBURGH, PA.	DATE WHEN MADE 7-8-44	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 6-12,13,21-44	REPORT MADE BY [REDACTED] b7c
TITLE [REDACTED] b7c		CHARACTER OF CASE INTERNAL SECURITY - J SELECTIVE SERVICE SEDITION	

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

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Report of Special Agent [REDACTED] Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, January 29, 1944.

DETAILS:

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[REDACTED] of Terrace [REDACTED] visited the apartment occupied by [REDACTED] BRY and advised that the apartment is occupied

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by [REDACTED] BEY and his wife, [REDACTED] BEY, [REDACTED] EL, a member of the organization, and the five children of [REDACTED] EL. These children are as follows: a son [REDACTED] EL, age [REDACTED] years; a daughter, [REDACTED] EL, age [REDACTED] years; a daughter [REDACTED] EL, age [REDACTED] years; a son - [REDACTED] EL, age [REDACTED] years; - a daughter - [REDACTED] EL, age [REDACTED] months. It is [REDACTED] noted that [REDACTED] EL is unmarried; the father of [REDACTED] is [REDACTED] the father of [REDACTED] is [REDACTED] the father of [REDACTED] is [REDACTED] the father of [REDACTED] is [REDACTED]

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The writer accompanied [REDACTED] on his visit to the apartment and at the time of this visit all of the above children were noted to be dressed in flowered garments and red turbans on their heads. The living room of the apartment occupied by [REDACTED] BEY is used as a meeting place of this organization. It was noted that on the wall of the living room were three pictures of NOBLE DREW ALI [REDACTED] in his Moorish dress and a charter for the subject organization signed by NOBLE DREW ALI [REDACTED]. This room also contained a red [REDACTED] flag, on a standard and the room was painted a light powder blue with a blue light globe as the only light for the room. It is to be noted that the living room is very small and could seat at the most approximately ten persons.

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[REDACTED] Local Board 3, Pittsburgh, advised that [REDACTED] was registered at the Board and that his address was [REDACTED] Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. He is presently employed [REDACTED] Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. He listed the person who would always know his address as [REDACTED]

The following is a description of this individual as obtained from the local board:

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Age	[REDACTED]
Height	5' 3"
Weight	205 lbs.
Eyes	Brown
Hair	Black
Complexion	Dark brown
Race	Negro
Social Security #	[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Local Board #5, Pittsburgh, advised their records reflected that [REDACTED] BEY registered at that board and gave his address as [REDACTED] Pittsburgh. The file reflected that he was born [REDACTED] but there is no indication in his file that he claimed to be a Moslem.

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THE PITTSBURGH FIELD DIVISION

AT PITTSBURGH, PENNSYLVANIA

b2 Will maintain contact with [REDACTED] and make spot surveillance at 311 Burrows Avenue to determine the activities of subject organization.

b7c Will interview [REDACTED] a representative of Allegheny County Board of Assistance, 207 Halkett Street, who frequently calls on [REDACTED] BEY in connection with relief matters.

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Chicago, Illinois

FILE No. 100-4094

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REPORT MADE AT INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA	DATE WHEN MADE 7/15/44	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 6/10/44; 7/7, 8/1/44	REPORT MADE BY [REDACTED] SIE
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TITLE HINDU SCIENCE TEMPLE OF AMERICA, INC. COLONEL G. NIRMAL BEY, with aliases, Supreme Grand Adviser and Moderator; et al	CHARACTER OF CASE INTERNAL SECURITY - J SEDITION; OVERTHROW AND DESTRUCTION OF GOVERNMENT
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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

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SS classifications and background information set out regarding a number of alleged members of instant organization.

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Report of Special Agent [REDACTED] dated June 10, 1944, at Indianapolis, Indiana.

DETAILS:

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[REDACTED] Selective Service Board [REDACTED] Gary, Indiana,
advised the reporting agent that she recalled the DORIS SCIENCE TEMPLE OF
AMERICA holding a national convention several years ago in Gary. She further
advised that in her opinion the barber shop at 2130 Broadway was the headquarters

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for the local unit. [redacted] produced records from the files advising the agent that she believed these individuals were members of the local unit of the MOORISH SCIENCE TEMPLE. She recalled that at the time of registration these individuals insisted that they be registered as BEY or ML claiming that their last names were spelled in this manner.

[redacted] Social Security [redacted]
He was born [redacted] He had two years of high school. Employment was listed as a porter at the [redacted] next dresser from 1914-1924. The person listed as always knowing his address is [redacted] Chicago, Illinois. The following description was given:

Height: 5'6"
Weight: 145#
Eyes: Brown
Hair: Black
Complexion: Olive
Nationality: Moorish

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[redacted] Indiana, Social Security [redacted] Person always knowing his address was listed as [redacted] Indiana. He lists employment with the [redacted] since 1928 as a chipper and scarfer helper. Description was given as follows:

Date of birth: [redacted]
Place of birth: [redacted]
Height: 5'9"
Weight: 220#
Hair: Grey
Eyes: Brown
Complexion: Dark brown
Race: Moorish
Marital status: Married, two children
Education: 8th grade

[redacted] BEY [redacted] Indiana. Person always knowing his address [redacted] Indiana. Employment was listed as a grinder from 1914-1929, and as a pipe fitter 1930-1933, and present employment [redacted] Indiana. Description listed is as follows:

Date of birth: [redacted]
Place of birth: [redacted]
Height: 5'8"
Weight: 180#
Hair: Grey

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Eyes: Brown
Complexion: Dark brown
Race: Negro (Moorish)
Distinguishing characteristics: High cheek bones
Marital status: Married, three children
Education: Fifth grade
Social Security: [REDACTED]

JAMES S. [REDACTED] [REDACTED] Indiana. Person
knowing address [REDACTED] [REDACTED] Indiana. Description
given as follows:

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Date of birth: February 17, 1881
Place of birth: Helena, Arkansas
Height: 5'8"
Weight: 130#
Hair: Black
Eyes: Brown
Race: Moorish
Place of employment: Gary Armor Plate Company

[REDACTED] [REDACTED] Indiana. Person knowing
his address. C. W. [REDACTED] [REDACTED] Chicago, Illinois. He lists
his employer as minister. Registrant listed his own employment as "minister"
since 1925. Questionnaire also reflects that he is self-employed in farming
and business was agricultural and that he was a supervisor and farm instructor
since 1933. Place of work 1104 Sedgewick, Chicago, Illinois. Description given
as follows:

Date of birth: [REDACTED]
Place of birth: [REDACTED]
Height: 5'11"
Weight: 190#
Eyes: Brown
Hair: Gray
Complexion: Dark brown
Race: Moorish
Social Security: [REDACTED]
Education: [REDACTED] grade

[REDACTED] [REDACTED] Indiana. Person
knowing his address [REDACTED] [REDACTED] Indiana.
Formerly employed at the [REDACTED] and from 1928-1931 in a
power foundry. Present employment listed as [REDACTED]
Indiana. Description was given as follows:

Date of birth: [REDACTED]

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Place of birth: [REDACTED]
Height: 5'8"
Weight: 145#
Eyes: Brown
Hair: Black
Complexion: Olive
Scars or marks: pox marks on face
Marital status: Single
Social Security [REDACTED]
Education: 12th grade

[REDACTED] SEY, [REDACTED] Indiana. Selective Service classification 1-AH. Person knowing his address [REDACTED] Employment listed in the [REDACTED] for the past 18 years. Presently a tractor operator, Department #3 in the sheet and tin mill. Description as follows:

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Date of Birth: [REDACTED]
Place of birth: [REDACTED]
Height: 5'11"
Weight: 190#
Hair: Black
Eyes: Brown
Complexion: Black
Race: Moorish
Marital status: Married to [REDACTED] SEY
Social Security [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] SEY, formerly of [REDACTED] Indiana, presently residing at [REDACTED] apartment, Chicago, Illinois. Classified 4-F. The following employment was listed:

Employment:

[REDACTED]
Chicago, Illinois
Machine operator, terminated
2/16/43:

[REDACTED]
Chicago, Illinois:

[REDACTED]
116th and Burley Streets,
terminated October 20, 1943

[REDACTED]
Chicago, Illinois, left March 8, 1944

It was noted that the file contained a copy of a letter to [REDACTED] Industrial Relations Manager of the [REDACTED] Chicago, Illinois, listing the registration. This letter was written by [REDACTED] District Commander for [REDACTED]

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[redacted] of the personal security branch. This letter substantially stated that it was determined after adequate investigation that the security of the war effort would be endangered if the registrant is permitted (a) to work on any war department or Navy Department contracts, (b) to have access to work under such contract or contracts or to any work relating to such work. Therefore, it was requested that he be suspended from such work during the present wars in which the United States is engaged.

The following description was given:

Date of birth: [redacted]
Place of birth: [redacted]
Height: 10"
Weight: 155#
Hair: Black
Eyes: Brown
Complexion: Dark brown
Race: Moorish American
Marital status: Married, two children [redacted]
Wife, [redacted] age 22 [redacted]
Children: [redacted] born [redacted]
[redacted] born [redacted]

Education: 7th grade
Social Security: [redacted]

[redacted] EL [redacted] Indiana. Classified 2-EE, May 25, 1944. Person knowing his address Col. C. KIRKMAN BEY, 1104 Sedgewick, Chicago, Illinois. Presently employed as a night watchman at the [redacted] length of employment 26 years. The questionnaire reflected that registrant stated "I am a minister of religion, Islam of the Moorish Science Temple since June 20, 1941." Claims to have been ordained on this date by Col. C. KIRKMAN BEY at Chicago, Illinois. It is to be noted that [redacted] produced two registration cards by this individual, one made in Chicago, Illinois and one in Gary, Indiana. In explanation [redacted] stated that registrant refused to file the Gary registration card because the registrant refused to put Moorish as registrant's race. Accordingly he went to Chicago and registered. This card was later sent to Gary. The cards are similar except that in the one case [redacted] BEY [redacted] Indiana, was listed as the person always knowing his address. The following description was given:

Date of birth: [redacted]
Place of birth: [redacted]
Height: 5'9"
Weight: 156#
Hair: Black
Eyes: Brown

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Complexion: light brown
Nationality: Moorish American
Marital status: Wife, age 45
Children: age 20
age 18
Education: 8th grade
Social Security: [redacted]

[redacted] classified 2-31 on May 25, 1944.
Person knowing his address [redacted] Indiana.
Employment listed [redacted] since 1934 as a shear
helper in the 160th plant mill. Description given as follows:

Date of birth: [redacted]
Place of birth: [redacted]
Height: 5'9 1/2"
Weight: 235#
Eyes: brown
Hair: Black
Complexion: Dark
Race: Islam, Moorish
Marital status: Married, wife [redacted]
son, [redacted] age 20
one other child
Education: 8th grade

Social Security #: [redacted]

The following remark appeared on the registration card:

"Looks like a negro but wishes to be called Moorish".

[redacted] Indiana. Classified 1-AE.
Person knowing his address [redacted] Indiana.
Employment listed as the [redacted] for the past 23
years in the rolling mill as assistant roller. Description given as follows:

Date of birth: [redacted]
Place of birth: [redacted]
Height: 6'3"
Weight: 182#
Eyes: Brown
Hair: Black
Complexion: Light brown
Scars or marks: Scar on right leg
Note on registration card: Desires to be called
Moorish American
Education: 7th grade
Social Security: [redacted]
Marital status: Married, wife [redacted]

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UNDEVELOPED LEADS

THE INDIANAPOLIS FIELD DIVISION

AT INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA

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* Will through informants obtain and report activities of Temple No. [redacted] of Subject organization in an attempt to disclose possible violations of the Sedition Laws and Selective Service regulations.

AT GARY, INDIANA

Will attempt to secure additional information regarding the activities of subject organization and its members.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **CHICAGO**

FILE NO. **100-56**

REPORT MADE AT CINCINNATI, OHIO	DATE WHEN MADE 7-25-44	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 6-20, 24, 26, 27; 7-5, 12, 23/44	REPORT MADE BY [REDACTED]
TITLE MOORISH SCIENCE TEMPLE OF AMERICA, INC.; CONINGMAN REY, w.as., Supreme Grand Advisor and Moderator, ETAL.			CHARACTER OF CASE INTERNAL SECURITY (J) SELECTIVE SERVICE SEDITION

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Investigation reflects that Temple No. [REDACTED] at Columbus, Ohio, and Temple No. [REDACTED] at Cincinnati, Ohio, inactive at present time and leaders unknown. No additional information developed relative to Temple No. [REDACTED] at Steubenville, Ohio.

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

REFERENCE: **b7c** Report of Special Agent [REDACTED] dated May 18, 1944.

DETAILS: AT COLUMBUS, OHIO

b7c The following investigation was conducted by Spec Agent [REDACTED]

The following individuals were interviewed in an attempt to ascertain the activities of [REDACTED] at Temple No. [REDACTED] Columbus, Ohio, with negative results:

- [REDACTED] Local Draft Board No. 16;
- [REDACTED] Local Draft Board No. 7;
- [REDACTED] Local Draft Board No. 3;

AND FIELD OFFICES ADVISED BY ROUTING SLIP(S) OF DATE **1-27-53**
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The above named individuals advised that they did not know [REDACTED] and to their knowledge there is no activity on the part of this organization in Columbus, Ohio, since 1939, at which time they maintained a meeting place in the vicinity of Jefferson Avenue and Mount Vernon Avenue. There are no members of this organization in Columbus, Ohio at the present time.

AT CINCINNATI, OHIO

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent [REDACTED]

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A review of the indices of the Cincinnati Field Division was negative regarding the present activities of Temple No. [REDACTED] of instant organization and its leader, [REDACTED]

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The indices revealed that this organization had been active several years ago under the leadership of [REDACTED] or [REDACTED] who formerly resided in the [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] was interviewed regarding instant organization and advised that although he remembered that there had been a chapter of this organization in Cincinnati, Ohio, four or five years ago, he had heard nothing about it being active for several years.

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[REDACTED] and [REDACTED] were interviewed regarding this organization or its leader, [REDACTED] with negative results.

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[REDACTED] of a Cincinnati negro publication, "The Union", 238 East 4th Street, was interviewed and advised that instant organization had been active in Cincinnati, Ohio many years ago, but had been dissolved and that he had heard of no efforts ever being made to reorganize it, and that it is presently inactive.

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The following individuals were also contacted, with negative results, concerning Temple No. [REDACTED] of instant organization, or its leader, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] of the Cincinnati negro publication, "The Call Post,

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[redacted] of the negro publication "The Independent",
653 West Court St.;

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[redacted] of the National Association for the Advancement
of Colored People, 308 West 5th St.;

[redacted];
[redacted]

It is to be noted that all of the above individuals
are familiar with negro organizations in Cincinnati, Ohio, and would have
heard of the Moorish Science Temple of America, Inc. if it were presently
active in Cincinnati, Ohio.

AT STEUBENVILLE, OHIO

The following investigation was conducted by the writer:

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Inasmuch as reference report fails to reflect any
subversive tendencies of the known members of Temple No. [redacted] this case
is being considered referred upon completion to the office of origin.

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Form No. 1
THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

FILE No. 100-4094

REPORT MADE AT Indianapolis, Indiana	DATE WHEN MADE 8/2/44	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 7/13; 14, 15, 17, 18, 19, 21/44	REPORT MADE BY [REDACTED]
TITLE MOORISH SCIENCE TEMPLE OF AMERICA, INC. COLONEL C. KIRKMAN BEY, with aliases, Supreme Grand Adviser and Moderator; et al		CHARACTER OF CASE INTERNAL SECURITY - J SEDITION; OVERTHROW AND DESTRUCTION OF GOVERNMENT	

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

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 BY _____

Reference: Bureau file 62-25889;
 Report of Special Agent [REDACTED] dated 7/15/44 at
 Indianapolis, Indiana.

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Details: At Gary, Indiana

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Relative to the membership pin mentioned by [REDACTED] the following is noted. It is about one-half inch in diameter with a blue background. On this background is a gold crescent and star. Above the crescent are the red initials "M.A." Below the crescent in red letters is printed the word "Allah". This pin is being retained in the files of the Gary Police Department.

In a subsequent interview [REDACTED] substantially repeated to the reporting agent the information she had previously given in statements previously set forth. She further stated that it is her understanding that the local Gary Temple [REDACTED] does not meet any more in Gary but meets on Thursday nights in Chicago, Illinois. She recalled on one occasion that her husband related that [REDACTED] BEY had told him that when the Japs came over to the United States all the negro members of the Moorish Science Temple of America would run "to the Fort", hoist the flag and the Japs would not molest them. Also when they, the Japs march through Gary all the Moorish members had to do would be to salute and say Heil Hitler and they would not be harmed. Furthermore [REDACTED] BEY is alleged to have a map of the United States which indicates all the United States Arsenals locations of guns, filling stations, various highways, etc., to assist the Japs when they invade the United States. On this day fifty thousand members would rise up to assist the Japanese. During the course of a conversation after a neighbor had passed her home [REDACTED] remarked that this individual's name was [REDACTED] retired, who resided a block or so away. She further stated that an old brown-skinned negro named [REDACTED] resided with [REDACTED] BEY at [REDACTED] and was more or less a contact man for the organization.

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[redacted] of Selective Service Local Board Gary, Indiana, produced records which reflected the following information about [redacted]. He has been a [redacted] in Gary since 1921. He listed one year high school and three years night school training. The application reflects that his race is Moorish.

The following description was given:

Date of birth	[redacted]
Birthplace	[redacted]
Height	5'10 1/2"
Weight	175
Hair	Brown
Eyes	Black
Complexion	Dark Brown
Marital Status	wife, [redacted] Separated
Occupation	[redacted]
Education	Highschool
Scars	Scar on right wrist

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[redacted] the Agent that during the week of July 17, 1944, [redacted] registered with the Selective Service Board. He listed his age as [redacted] and his address as [redacted] Indiana. During the conversation with the Clerk of the Board mention was made of the Moorish Science Temple. [redacted] declared that he had to be a member because his father was definitely inclined toward the organization and a very faithful member of the Moorish Science Temple. He intimated that when he left home he would immediately drop his membership in the organization.

The following description is given:

Height	5'9 3/4"
Weight	160

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Eyes	Brown
Hair	Black
Complexion	Dark Brown
Race	Moorish
Education	High school Student
Scars	Growth on right side of face

The records of Selective Service Board [redacted] also reflected a [redacted] a tailor, who operates his own business.

The following description was given:

Birthplace	[redacted]
Height	5'6"
Weight	149
Eyes	Brown
Hair	Gray
Complexion	Dark Brown
Marital Status	Married
Wife	[redacted]
Physical Characteristics	Wears glasses
Occupation	Tailor

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There was no record in the Selective Service files of Board [redacted] or the City Directory of an individual named [redacted].

A review of the City Directory of Gary reflected a [redacted] and his wife, [redacted]. He was classified as a laborer. Also the name of [redacted] (widow) [redacted] Gary, Indiana.

At East Chicago, Indiana

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[Large redacted block]

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UNDEVELOPED LEADS

THE INDIANAPOLIS FIELD DIVISION

At Indianapolis, Indiana

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* Will through informants obtain and report activities of Temple of Subject organization in an attempt to disclose possible violations of the Sedition Laws and Selective Service regulations.

At Gary, Indiana

Will contact informants for additional information relative to instant organization.

At East Chicago

Will attempt to secure information relative to the activities and members of the local Temple.

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File No. 100-2447 mo

Report made SAVA, H. GEORGE	Date made 8-21-44	Period made 3-29; 7-3, 11, 12-11	Report made by [REDACTED] b7c
Title MOORISH SCHOOL TEACHERS OF AMERICA, INC., ETAL		Character INTERNAL SECURITY - J S. DISTRICT	

Synopsis:

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Moorish Lunch Room, operated by sect at Augusta, Ga. closed. Little activity noted at place of meeting. [REDACTED] member of Augusta, Ga. group has gone to Philadelphia.

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REFERENCE: b7c Report of Special Agent [REDACTED] dated April 27, 1944 at Savannah, Georgia

DETAILS: AT AUGUSTA, GEORGIA:

b7c By observation it was ascertained that the Moorish Lunch Room operated by [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] at the Old Savannah Road and the Holly Pond Road, has been discontinued and closed.

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For the assistance of the Philadelphia Office, [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] L, is a member of the Moorish Science Temple group at
Augusta, Georgia, is approximately thirty years old and has been reared
in Augusta, Georgia, but is not registered with any one of the
three local boards for the city and county.

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b7c THE PHILADELPHIA FIELD DIVISION, at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, will make arrangements, consistent with the local conditions, to have [REDACTED] questioned concerning his registration for selective service and his status, if registered.
(It may be desirable to have local police obtain this information during the course of questioning as to some possible minor ordinance violation.)

THE SAVANNAH FIELD DIVISION, at Augusta, Georgia, will continue to obtain closer coverage of the meetings of the instant organization through informants.

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TITLE MOORISH SCIENCE TEMPLE OF AMERICA, INC. COLONEL C. KIRKMAN BEY, with aliases, Supreme Grand Adviser and Moderator; etal			CHARACTER OF CASE INTERNAL SECURITY - J; SEDITION; OVERTHROW AND DESTRUCTION OF GOVERNMENT

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

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... classifications and background information set out regarding a number of alleged members of instant organization.

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[REDACTED] of Selective Service Board No. 2, Indianapolis, Indiana, produced records which reflected the following information about [REDACTED] BEY, residing at [REDACTED]. The Selective Service record indicates this individual as being Oriental or Moorish-American; he objected to being termed as a Negro. When he registered, he listed his employment as [REDACTED]. In December, 1943, he was employed with the [REDACTED] Indianapolis, Indiana. The following description was given:

NAME: [REDACTED] BEY
Date of birth: [REDACTED]
Place of birth: [REDACTED]
Height: 5'8"
Weight: 140
Hair: Brown
Eyes: Black
Race: Negro
Marital status: Single
Scars or marks: None

On June 21, 1944 [REDACTED] BEY was placed in 2-A classification to be so carried for the next six months.

[REDACTED] of Selective Service Local Board #5, Indianapolis, Indiana, produced records which reflected the following information about [REDACTED] EL of [REDACTED] Indianapolis. At the time of his registration, [REDACTED] EL was employed with [REDACTED] Indianapolis, and possessed social security number [REDACTED]. On November 24, 1942, he was placed in class 4-F; his order number is [REDACTED]. The file reflects that this individual gave his nationality as Moorish-American. On February 25, 1944, the board received a request for occupational deferment for this individual who was then employed with the [REDACTED] of this city. The file further reflects that [REDACTED] EL also goes under the name of [REDACTED] EL. The following is a description as obtained from these records:

NAME: [REDACTED] EL, also known as [REDACTED] EL
Date of birth: [REDACTED]
Place of birth: [REDACTED]
Nationality: American Negro
Height: 5'3"
Weight: 153
Hair: Black
Eyes: Brown

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made available the records also on [redacted] EL of [redacted] who claimed in his file to be Asiatic and not Negro. He is the possessor of order number [redacted] and at the time of registration was employed with the [redacted] Indiana. He was placed in class 4-F due to epilepsy and it is not believed he will ever be called for military service. The following description was secured from these records:

NAME: [redacted] EL
Date of birth: [redacted]
Place of birth: [redacted]
Race: Negro
Height: 5'5"
Weight: 160
Hair: Black
Eyes: Brown
Scars or marks: None
Social security No.: [redacted]

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made available the file on [redacted] EL of [redacted] Indianapolis. This file revealed that, at the time of his registration, he gave the name of Colonel KIRKMAN LEEY of 930 Hudson Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, as the person who would always know his address. No occupation was listed for this individual. The following physical description was obtained from the records:

NAME: [redacted] EL
Date of birth: [redacted]
Place of birth: [redacted]
Height: 5'10"
Weight: 178
Eyes: Brown
Hair: Black
Complexion: Olive
Race: Negro

It is to be noted that this individual was stated in his file to be a Moor and not as a Negro.

The files of Selective Service Board #5, Indianapolis, Indiana, made available by [redacted] also reflect an individual by the name of [redacted] EL of [redacted]. This person also stated at the time of registration that he was a Moorish-American and not a Negro. The file reveals that he is employed with the [redacted] at [redacted] Indianapolis, holds order number [redacted] and is classified 4-A. The following physical description was secured from these records:

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NAME: [REDACTED] EL
Date of birth: [REDACTED]
Place of birth: [REDACTED]
Complexion: Dark
Hair: Dark
Eyes: Brown
Social Security No.: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] of Selective Service Board #7, Marion County, Indianapolis, Indiana, made available the records of this board on BEY formerly of [REDACTED] but who now resides at [REDACTED]

According to these records, the individual, on his Selective Service questionnaire, stated that he was a minister in the Moorish Science Temple organization and had been ordained on September 19, 1933 by Colonel KIRKMAN BEY of Chicago. On [REDACTED] 1944, he was classified 2-B by his board, but no preference was given to his request for classification as a minister. The file reveals him to be employed as a farmer and formerly was with the [REDACTED] Indiana. The following description was obtained from these records:

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NAME: [REDACTED] BEY
Date of birth: [REDACTED]
Place of birth: [REDACTED]
Race: American Negro
Weight: 160
Height: 5'8"
Hair: Black
Eyes: Brown
Social security No.: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] of Selective Service Board #7, Indianapolis, Indiana, made available the records on BEY, a resident of [REDACTED] of this city. At the time of his registration, he was employed with the [REDACTED] and was given order number [REDACTED]. His classification at the present time is 4-F. It is to be noted that at the time of registration, this individual objected to the clerk's listing him as a Negro, stating that he was a Moorish-American. The following description was obtained from these records:

NAME: [REDACTED] BEY
Place of birth: [REDACTED]
Date of birth: [REDACTED]
Race: American Negro
Complexion: Dark
Hair: Black
Eyes: Brown

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The records of Selective Service Board #7 also reveal a file on [REDACTED] BEY of [REDACTED] possessor of order number [REDACTED]. At the time of registration, he listed his employment as with [REDACTED] of the [REDACTED]. At that time, he stated that he was a minister in the M.S.T. and that he supervised temples in Gary, South Bend, Anderson, Hope, East Chicago, and Indianapolis, Indiana. He was confirmed in the ministry in April, 1928. The following description was obtained from these records:

NAME: [REDACTED] BEY
Date of birth: [REDACTED]
Place of birth: [REDACTED]
Race: American Negro
Complexion: Dark
Social security No.: [REDACTED]
Marital status: Married

b7c [REDACTED] also produced the file on [REDACTED] BEY of [REDACTED] possessor of order number [REDACTED]. He listed himself at the time of registration as Moorish and objected to being termed as a Negro. At the time of registration he was employed with the [REDACTED] but the board was advised on June 28, 1944 that he was employed in Chicago, Illinois and was residing at [REDACTED] that he was under the jurisdiction of Board [REDACTED] of Chicago. The following description was obtained from the records of the Local Board:

NAME: [REDACTED] BEY
Place of birth: [REDACTED]
Date of birth: [REDACTED]
Race: American Negro
Height: 5'9 1/2"
Weight: 178
Eyes: Brown
Hair: Black
Complexion: Dark black

[REDACTED] of Local Board #7, Indianapolis, Indiana, also produced records on [REDACTED] BEY of [REDACTED] of this city. This individual has order number [REDACTED]. The file further reflects that he enlisted in the [REDACTED] on November 23, 1942. According to the file, this individual was born on [REDACTED].

[REDACTED] of Selective Service Board #6, [REDACTED] Indianapolis, Indiana, advised having records on the following three individuals:

[REDACTED] BEY, [REDACTED] Indiana, possesses order number [REDACTED] and holds classification 4-A. It is to be noted

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that no occupation is shown for this individual. He listed himself as a Moor rather than a Negro.

The following description of [REDACTED] BEY was obtained from the records of the Local Board:

NAME: [REDACTED] BEY
Place of birth: [REDACTED]
Date of birth: [REDACTED]
Height: 5'9-3/4"
Weight: 165
Eyes: Brown
Hair: Black
Complexion: Light brown

[REDACTED] BEY resides at [REDACTED] and is unemployed. The following is a description of this individual:

NAME: [REDACTED] BEY
Date of birth: [REDACTED]
Place of birth: [REDACTED]
Eyes: Brown
Hair: Gray
Complexion: Dark brown
Height: 5'8"
Weight: 140
Social security No.: [REDACTED]

JOHN FLOYD BEY, 537 Indiana Avenue, Indianapolis, listed himself as self-employed, and also claimed to be a Moorish-American. He possesses the following physical description:

NAME: JOHN FLOYD BEY
Date of birth: May 27, 1877
Place of birth: Charlotte, North Carolina
Height: 5'9"
Weight: 175
Eyes: Brown
Hair: Gray
Complexion: Light brown

[REDACTED] Selective Service Board No. 12, Marion County, Indianapolis, Indiana, produced their records which revealed that [REDACTED] BEY was registered at that board. His address was formerly [REDACTED] but the files reflected that on [REDACTED] 1943, he was placed in 4-F for neurological reasons and at that time was living at [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] Pennsylvania. The file further reflects that he was under the jurisdiction of Local Board #2, 107 South Second Street of [REDACTED]

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