Mr. J. Edgar Hoover's Charge

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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 perilling the nation's security.

THIS CHARGE against the Black 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

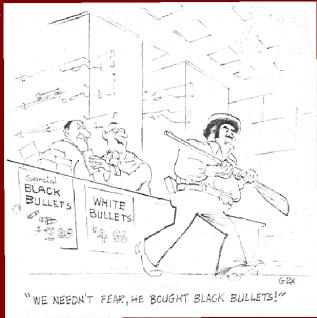
confusion, insecurity and disunity, not the Black leadership, because the Black leadership has no cry for anything but justice. But, Mr. Hoover wants to put fear into the American so-called Negroes and confuse them against accepting the Truth and their own salvation today.

The so-called American Negroes, the Lost and Found members of the Aboriginal Black Nation 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 America 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 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 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.



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