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# WESTERN UNION TELEGRAM

SYMBOLS

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SHERIFF WILLIAM MORRIS

SHELBY COUNTY JAIL MFS

AS FAR AS I AM CONCERNED BASED UPON FURTHER EVIDENCE I HAVE GATHERED JAMES EARL RAY IS NOT GUILTY THEREFORE I WOULD ADVISE THAT HE BE PUT IN A CELL ALONE FOR IT IS MY INTENTION TO SEE TO IT THAT HE IS SAFE AND THAT NOTHING CAN POSSIBLY ENDANGER HIS LIFE BEFORE AND DURING THE TRIAL. I ADVISE THAT HE BE PUT IN A SOLITARY CELL LEST THERE BE SOME FREAKISH ACCIDENT OR SOME UNEXPECTED ARGUMENT WHICH MIGHT DEVELOP WITHOUT YOUR KNOWLEDGE THAT MAY CAUSE HIM INJURY OR DEATH

REVEREND JAMES L BEVEL DIRECTOR OF NON VOLIENT EDUCATION  
SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE  
(755).

525-7531  
mm 857P  
*Sgt. [unclear]*  
*Del Tonight*

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# WESTERN UNION TELEGRAM

*On any Occasion  
it's wise  
to wire*

# WESTERN UNION TELEGRAM

A handwritten scribble or signature, possibly initials, consisting of several overlapping loops and lines.

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TELEGRAM

Chief Nixon

SHERIFF'S OFFICE

JAN 24 10 47 PM '69

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