## DEPARTMENT OF LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY DIVISION OF STATE POLICE

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Date\_\_\_December 29, 1967

Mr. Sanford M. Jaffee, Executive Director

MEMORANDUM TO: Governor's Select Commission to Study Civil Disorder.

1100 Raymond Boulevard, Room 420

Newark, New Jersey

SUBJECT :

Supplementary Information Concerning the Newark

Riots of July, 1967.

1. Confirming our telephonic conversation, I am enclosing a report regarding the approximate amount of ammunition expended during the Newark Riots of July, 1967.

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Signature Title D. B. Kelly Colonel

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MEMORANDUM: TO:

Colonel David B. Kelly, Superintendent,

New Jersey State Police.

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- 1. State Police personnel were committed to the riot area in support of the Newark Police Department to restore order as provided by and within the framework allowed by the New Jersey Revised Statutes. In defense of life and property, as provided by law, State Police personnel did return sniper fire.
- 2. No accurate figure of the number and type of ammunition expended can be determined. The urgency of the situation, limited time, and insufficient manpower prevented keeping detailed records of how much ammunition was issued and expended.
  - a. The general sources for obtaining ammunition were:
    - (1) State Police supply.
    - (2) National Guard Supply.

Ammunition was issued as needed at the Roseville Armory base of supply. The initial issue frequently was assigned to a patrol and was distributed to the occupants of the vehicle by the patrol leader. When the patrol completed the tour of duty the ammunition supply was transferred to the new patrol. Later the ammunition supply was issued with individual weapons and returned with the weapons.

- b. In addition, the situation in the field often required the free interchange of ammunition between:
  - (1) State Police Personnel
  - (2) Newark Police Officer
  - (3) National Guardsmen

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3. Much of the information compiled in the statistical report of the Newark riot is based on the combined reports of the Police agencies involved. It should be noted that 258 sniper incidents are reported by the following agencies:

Troop "A"	80
Troop "B"	49
Troop "C"	23
Newark Police Dept.	71
Newark Fire Dept.	35
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- 4. The expenditure of ammunition by State Police Personnel was compiled by Troop Commanders after canvassing the members of their command. This was initiated by Division in an attempt to obtain the best estimate of ammunition expended for the benefit of the Governor's Committee on the Cause and Prevention of Riots and Civil Disturbances.
- 5. The approximation of ammunition expended:

TROOP	38 cal.	45 cal.	00 Buckshot	30 cal.	#9 Birdshot
TOTAL	350	1168	198	1187	2

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Operations Officer

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