

BOOK REVIEW

The Assassination of Malcolm X

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A year after the assassination of Malcolm X on February 21, 1965, three blacks were tried and convicted of the crime. A reporter who covered the trial and two writers specializing in the black movement and Malcolm X literature collaborate to raise the question of police/government involvement in the assassination and to call for a new investigation. They provide background on the black leader and analyze the trial, pointing to alleged discrepancies and unanswered questions that indicate wider culpability. As part of their proof, an FBI counterintelligence directive on the subject of black militant groups is appended.