

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Office of the Attorney General

PROVIDING FOR THE ACQUISITION AND PRESERVATION BY THE UNITED STATES OF ITEMS OF EVIDENCE PERTAINING TO THE ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY

Under the authority vested in me by the Act of November 2, 1965 (Public Law 89-318; 79 Stat. 1185), I have determined that the national interest requires the entire body of evidence considered by the President's Commission on the Assassination of President Kennedy and now in the possession of the United States to be preserved intact.

Accordingly, pursuant to section 2(a) of the Act, I hereby determine that all of the items of evidence not owned by the United States which were considered by the Commission, and were not returned by the Commission to the person who furnished them, should be acquired by the United States and be preserved together with all of the items of evidence already owned by the United States.

The items acquired hereunder are more particularly described in the appendix annexed to and made a part of this notice. This notice and appendix shall be published in the FEDERAL REGISTER, and title to the items acquired pursuant to the foregoing determinations shall thereupon vest in the United States pursuant to section 2(b) of the Act.

Dated: October 31, 1966.

RAMSEY CLARK, Acting Attorney General.

APPENDIX

1. The following weapons:

(a) One 6.5 mm. Mannlicher-Carcano rifle, with telescopic sight, Serial No. C2766, including sling and cartridge clip. (Commission Exhibit No. 189.)

(b) One .38 Special Smith and Wesson revolver Serial No. V510210, Assembly No. 65248, with appurtenances. (Commission Exhibit No. 143.)

2. (a) All other items of evidence which were assigned exhibit numbers by the Commission or its staff (such items being listed, described, and reproduced in Volumes XVI through XXVI of the Hearings before the President's Commission on the Assassination of President Kennedy, United States Government Printing Office, 1964, hereinafter referred to as the "Commission's Hearings"), other than those items which were returned by the Commission to the person who had furnished them.

(b) For the purposes of the preceding paragraph, the term "exhibit numbers" shall be deemed to include (1) Commission exhibit numbers 1 through 8154, including all such numbers with suffixes, listed in Volumes XVI through XVIII and Volumes XXII through XXVI of the Commission's Hearings, and (2) all exhibit numbers listed in Volumes XIX through XXI of the Commission's Hearings under the names of specific individuals beginning with the name "J. U. Allen" and ending with the name "Ralph W. Yarborough."

3. Other items of evidence collected for the Commission by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, as hereinafter described, designated by the exhibit numbers originally assigned to such items by the Bureau. Items originally assigned FBI exhibit numbers which were subsequently given Commission exhibit numbers are generally omitted from the list below since they are included in the items covered by paragraph 2 of this Appendix. Unless marked with an asterisk, items listed below were collected under circumstances indicating they were in the possession of or attributable to Lee Harvey Oswald or his wife, Marina.

Table with columns: FBI exhibit No., Description. Lists items 1-121 including photos, Christmas cards, books, maps, and documents.

Table with columns: FBI exhibit No., Description. Lists items 122-198 including handwriting, tax statements, receipts, and various documents.

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