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FBI
Washington, D.C. 20535

5/19/61

Dear Mr. Hall,

Your letter of the 12th and the processing of the enclosures remind me of the saying that consistency is the hobgoblin of small minds. I am not attributing small-mindedness to the FBI.

Your letter concludes with the statement that the "processing of this material was coordinated with the " appeals office. I find it difficult to understand what you mean by "coordinated with" the appeals office when you make extensive claim to (b)(2) and Mr. Shea, who heads that office, testified that the claim to (b)(2) is inappropriate in such cases. You claim what he testified under oath you should not claim and this is "coordinated?"

You bracket the (b)(2) claim with claim to (7)(D). Neither is appropriate and neither is in accord with the language of the Act.

You withhold under these claims the identification of the file and the phoney informant identification used as a subterfuge, to mask the fact of the surveillances on Marina Oswald. To the extent that you withhold even the serial numbers. These do not meet the "solely" requirement of (b)(2), even if it were true, as it is not, that either the subterfuge or the other identifications related solely to the internal rules and practises of the FBI. The use of (7)(D), according to the statute, is limited to "an individual" or "a person." It also requires confidentiality, which has not existed for some years. In fact, under the (7)(C) claim you now withhold what you disclosed years ago and is freely available in the FBI's own reading room.

The 141 pages are bound into six volumes. The worksheets for each are blank for the entry "File No." No section identification is provided and where the words "Transcript" and "Logs" are used after Marina Oswald's name, the kind of surveillance is omitted. This is to say withheld.

The worksheets themselves are largely illegible, no mean accomplishment when they are, ostensibly, a first-generation copy of an original record generated in your section. In many cases the ~~cross~~^{CROSS} reference to where previously processed is illegible. This is true also of the claims to exemption.

The (b)(1) claim is inappropriate. At one point you make it for five consecutive records identified only as "FORM." None of the surveillances involved national security in any way.

For your information, it appears that Director Hoover talked the Warren Commission into believing that Marina Oswald might slip over the Mexican border. (With the assistance of those other non-conspirators, no doubt.) Mr. Hoover volunteered that the FBI could tap her phone, suggesting this to the Commission. Mr. Hoover then told the Attorney General that the Chief Justice asked for the phone tapping and got an OK for it. He didn't ask for and he wasn't given permission for the bugging. He just had it done. The other form of surveillance was physical. The foregoing is disclosed in records already provided to me in this instant litigation.

Two of the withholdings of what the FBI has already disclosed are in the Marina Oswald - Transcripts volume the first record of which is dated 3/3/64. (In itself raising questions of any (b)(1) claim from the date alone.) On the second page of what may be Serial 3 the entire third paragraph is withheld under claim to (7)(C). The teletype reporting this information has been released. This also is true of the two withholdings in page 2 of what may be Serial 10. The first follows, "Marina spoke of fashions for men in the U.S.S.R." and the second follows "... that the FBI knows everything."

Where these records had been classified, the declassifications are as early as last December 8. This raises questions of why those records were not sent to me for three months when the FBI represents that it is proceeding as expeditiously as possible. Only 141 pages are involved.

On the FD 297s the identification of the logs is withheld under (b)(2) and (7)(D). This does not meet the "solely" requirement and does not involve a live informant and

thus is inappropriate.

On the Notification of Classification form provided for the microphone surveillance (none was provided for the bugging) even the classification is withheld as (b)(2) and (7)(D).

These withholdings are not justified and not necessary for any legitimate purpose. They are not consistent with the representations made to me through my counsel and to the Court by the FBI, through its counsel. They represent practices that assured this litigation to begin with and promise to prolong it unnecessarily. I would hope that the FBI, having forced this matter to litigation when there was no need for litigation, would not now want to prolong it and create other and also unnecessary costs and delays.

Mr. Shea has asked that I address you rather than him so I do this, with a carbon copy to him.

I would appreciate knowing when I may expect legible worksheets and the correction of these processing errors. I would also like to know that these practices will be eliminated in the records not yet provided to me.

Sincerely,

(b) (2) materials related solely to the internal rules and practices of the FBI;

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(b) (7) materials that, if disclosed, for law enforcement purposes, the disclosure of

(C) constitute an unwarranted invasion of the personal privacy of another person;

(D) reveal the identity of an individual who has furnished information to the FBI under confidential circumstances or reveal information furnished only to some person and not apparently known to the public or otherwise accessible to the FBI by ordinary means.

SAC J. GORDON SHANKLIN (105-632)

3/6/64

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GEORGE DE MOHRENSCHILDT, aka. Jg
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JEANNE DE MOHRENSCHILDT, aka. Jg
IS - R
(105-1766)

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INFORMATION BELOW FROM [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] IS
NOT TO BE INCLUDED IN ANY REPORT THAT CONTAINS OTHER
INFORMATION. PERTINENT INFORMATION FROM THESE SOURCES IS
TO BE REPORTED SEPARATELY. u

On March 3, 1964, [REDACTED] advised that MARINA OSWALD told him GEORGE BOUHE mentioned investigation concerning the DE MOHRENSCHILDTs. BOUHE, according to MARINA, said there is more interest in JEANNE DE MOHRENSCHILDT than in GEORGE DE MOHRENSCHILDT. Informant said MARINA discussed this with Mrs. KATHERINE FORD and both mentioned that the DE MOHRENSCHILDTs were in Haiti. Informant states KATHERINE FORD is of the opinion that GEORGE DE MOHRENSCHILDT was a good person before he started seeing JEANNE and indicated JEANNE caused GEORGE to stop attending church. R

[REDACTED] on March 3, 1964, stated he learned that GEORGE BOUHE visited MARINA OSWALD at 629 Beltline Road, Richardson, Texas, and at the time of his visit ANNA RAY and ANNEA's son, PAUL, were present. Informant said BOUHE described GEORGE DE MOHRENSCHILDT as a pleasant person and stated DE MOHRENSCHILDT gave BOUHE his card on one occasion, saying that should BOUHE ever need the FBI in Washington, call him, DE MOHRENSCHILDT. Informant said he was not clear as to what BOUHE meant regarding this information. R

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reputation of his family and doubts that he would talk about it. Mrs. FORD said that it will be THORNE rather than MARTIN who may speak concerning this thing. Mrs. FORD thought it would be best to bring the case into court and said she will be right over. (R)

5:40 P.M.: (Russian/AAB) MARINA to ANNA. MARINA said ANNA forgot her coat in her house. ANNA will call for same tomorrow morning and stay awhile. ANNA mentioned that VALENTIN comes home at noon from school. (R)

6:08 P.M. (English) DECLAN FORD to Mrs. FORD. Stated MC KENZIE invited him to the house for a drink so he will be home a bit late. Suggested she not hold up the dinner. Mrs. FORD mentioned MARINA preferred to be home tonight but said that she brought over to MARINA some letters requesting autographs and other letters containing cash but no checks. (R)

70 7:26 P.M. (RUSSIAN/AAB) MARINA to Mrs. FORD. MARINA said that she is lonely. She thought of calling RUTH but decided to "Let her go to the devil". MARINA may call BOUHE just for the sake of talking. Mrs. FORD gave BOUHE's telephone number as ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~. MARINA thinks that perhaps BOUHE will visit her awhile. She asked Mrs. FORD not to resent this and not to think that she (MARINA) will be asking BOUHE for advice, but that she is lonely and knows that Mrs. FORD is busy. MARINA then said that perhaps she will not call BOUHE at all and added she did not attach any importance to his advice. Mrs. FORD said that she probably will be over later and suggested that MARINA call GEORGE (BOUHE) and that she will be over later. (R)

7:58 P.M. (Russian/AAB) MARINA to GEORGE BOUHE. MARINA said she moved and is calling from her home. She invited GEORGE out for a cup of tea now. GEORGE BOUHE replied this is a bit too late and besides, this is no time for men to come to see MARINA. MARINA mentioned Mrs. FORD may be over. (R)

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8:00 AM	EMP		On Duty
1049	ARZ		makes outgoing call - line busy.
1114	ARZ		makes outgoing call and converses with female in foreign language.
1119	ARZ		Above call terminated.
1132	ARZ		makes outgoing call and converses with female in foreign language.
1133	ARZ		Above call terminated.
1208 P	ARZ		male caller, ^{incoming} who said "Hotties (ph)" and repeated it; received a "no response and hung up."
1231 P	ARZ		Attempted to place phone call and got "busy" sign.
400 P	ARZ		off duty

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