

Memorandum

- 1 - Mr. Adams
- 1 - Mr. [unclear]
- 1 - Mr. Gallagher
- 1 - Mr. Mack

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TO : MR. CALLAHAN

FROM : MR. J. B. ADAMS

SUBJECT: ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY

DATE: 10/16/75

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On 10/15/75, Christine Niedermeier, telephone 225-2076, advised she is the Legislative Assistant for Congressman Christopher J. Dodd (Conn.), who is a member of Congressman Edwards' Subcommittee on Civil Rights and Constitutional Rights. She stated according to information available to her Deputy Associate Director James B. Adams is scheduled to testify before that committee on 10/21/75 regarding the assassination of President Kennedy. In that connection, she stated she had two questions which she would like answered for Congressman Dodd in preparation for the above testimony. The questions are (1) is the "Do Not File" procedure (which has recently received some publicity in connection with hearings held by other congressional committees), contained in the FBI training manual and, if so, was the "Do Not File" procedure involved or implemented in the destruction of the Oswald note delivered to the Dallas FBI Office? (2) Did William S. Walter, the clerk of the New Orleans Office, receive a lie detector test and, if so, did he fail the test? Was the lie detector test a psychology stress evaluation test?

She indicated that she may have additional questions to pose prior to the hearings and would be in contact with FBIHQ regarding these questions. She stated she would like a response as far as the above two questions are concerned.

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In answer to these questions, the so-called "Do Not File" procedures are not contained in FBI training or other manuals. With respect to the second part of that question, while the "Do Not File" procedures were not involved in the destruction of the Oswald note, it is felt we should not respond to this part of the question pending resolution of the overall matter by the Department of Justice.

Regarding William S. Walter, the FBI did not give him a polygraph test, however, according to the "Dallas Times Herald," 10/1/75, it was reported that Walter underwent a polygraph examination by one William B. Burnham apparently at the behest of the "Dallas Times Herald" and this article indicated that Walter's polygraph charts contain

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criteria indicative of deception but the examiner took the position that the polygraph examination was inconclusive.

ACTION:

Ms. Niedermeier be advised that the "Do Not File" procedures are not set forth in FBI training or other manuals and comments regarding the destruction of the note are being held in abeyance pending Departmental determination of that matter. Ms. Niedermeier should also be advised that the FBI did not afford Walter a polygraph examination, however, according to the "Dallas Times Herald" he was given a polygraph examination, the results of which were inconclusive.

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*Ms. Niedermeier advised
per above at 6:15 PM 10/20/75
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