

June 19, 1975

Mr. Clarence M. Kelley
Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D.C. 20535

Dear Director Kelley:

Thank you very much for sending the FBI Lab report regarding spectrographic analysis of certain bullet fragments that were part of the investigation into the assassination of President John F. Kennedy.

At the time of the assassination, one James W. Powell, Special Agent, Region II, 112th Intl., Army Intelligence Corps snapped a 35mm Kodachrome transparency showing the facade of the Texas School Book Depository. This slide was not included as part of the evidence accumulated by the Warren Commission (see letter from the Archives), however, it was examined by the FBI Lab on January 8, of 1964 (see enclosed document) and assigned the FBI control number K53.

Since the photograph is of prime importance in determining the activities and individuals visible in the windows of the building where the alleged assassin was located, I wonder why it was not make part of the official record?

Does the FBI still have a copy of this crucial photograph?

Sincerely,


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Under date of January 8, 1964, the FBI Laboratory furnished the following information concerning a photographic examination requested by the Dallas Office on December 31, 1963:

The corner sixth floor window of the Texas School Book Depository shown in the submitted 35 mm Kodachrome transparency shows boxes stacked in a formation similar to that which has been recorded in other photographs made of this window. Nothing else of significance was determined from the examination of Specimen K53, the 35 mm Kodachrome transparency.

"The above mentioned 35mm Kodachrome transparency was made available by JAMES W. POWELL, Special Agent, Region II, 112th IMTC, Army Intelligence Corps, 912 Rio Grande Building, Dallas, Texas, on January 3, 1964."