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Volume _____
FROM: SAC, DALLAS

12/17/64

SUBJECT: REVIEW OF REPORT OF
PRESIDENT'S COMMISSION ON
THE ASSASSINATION OF
PRESIDENT KENNEDY

DEADLINE: 1/22/65

Bureau airtel, 12/14/64, instructed systematic review by Dallas Office of 26 volumes of hearings of Commission to detect any potentially serious problems which might possibly result in future embarrassment from unfounded allegations, criticisms and the like. We are to bring same to attention of Bureau with recommendations as to any actions which should be taken.

The first 15 volumes consist of depositions of persons who testified before the Commission, with cross references to exhibits referred to in their depositions. The exhibits are included in volumes 16-26, inclusive. Many of the persons who testified had been previously interviewed by FBI. Frequently it is noted the FD-302 reflecting FBI interview was exhibited to deponent, and he was asked whether the FD-302 represents an accurate report of interview. Exhibits include reproductions of numerous FD-302s, letterhead memoranda, other Bureau documents, and in some cases complete FBI reports.

You have been designated to assist in review. The volume assigned to you is indicated below your name. The master copy of assignments will be retained in the file for future reference. You will be fully and completely responsible for review of the volume assigned to you.

SAs GEMBERLING and CLEMENTS are joint coordinators for this review project and they will review the original Commission report for the same purposes. Agents to whom various volumes are assigned for review will have any necessary discussions relative thereto with SA GEMBERLING if the matter is primarily concerned with OSWALD and the assassination proper, and with SA CLEMENTS if subject matter is primarily concerned with RUBY or conspiracy between OSWALD and RUBY.

1 Agent listed (with attachment)
① Dallas 62-3588

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Each Agent having assignment will, upon completion, submit a memorandum to SAC advising at the outset of the completion of review of the specified volume by number. This memorandum should list in numerical order by volume number, page number, and exhibit number, etc., those items which the Agent considers of possible interest for purposes of this review. As attachments to the memorandum, the Agent will prepare individual memoranda, captioned with the volume number, page number, exhibit number, as to each item which he has questioned and has listed in his composite memorandum. If there are several items, all of which refer to the same deposition, exhibit, etc., they should, of course, be lumped in the same memorandum. These individual memoranda should include the Agent's recommendations as to any action.

Attached is a list of guidelines concerning items which it appears would be of definite interest. These are not intended to be all inclusive, however. The individual Agent must be accountable for any other categories of interest which he may encounter in the volume he reviews. The individual Agent may find it necessary or desirable to check cross references and/or refer back to our investigative reports, etc., in resolving particular questions; for example, identities of FBI personnel who interviewed a person, or complained about, etc.

ATTACHMENT

1. Allegations of deponent that FD-302 did not accurately report interview with him.
2. Allegations of intimidation, harassment, too lengthy interviews, rudeness, improper questions, etc.
3. Public exposure of informants, confidential sources, etc.
4. Publication of records normally considered confidential, such as doctor's records, hospital records, reports of psychiatric examinations, etc.
5. Exposure of person interviewed or persons named by person interviewed as present or past members of Communist Party or some other questionable organization.
6. Exposure of person interviewed or others named by him as homosexuals, possessors of criminal records, of questionable sanity, etc.
7. Allegations of controversy between FBI and other agencies; for example, Dallas Police Department, Secret Service.
8. Criticisms of FBI by other agencies.
9. Anything which might subject the FBI to civil suit.
10. Any obvious errors, deficiencies in investigation or reporting, etc., which could be seized upon by others, such as writers, as basis for criticism or ridicule.

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Re Memo to designated Agents dated 12/17/64.

The following Agent assignments were made for review of the 26 volumes of the results of hearings of the President's Commission as outlined in referenced memorandum:

<u>VOLUME NO.</u>	<u>AGENT</u>	<u>VOLUME NO.</u>	<u>AGENT</u>
1	WALLACE R. HEITMAN	14	GASTON C. THOMPSON
2	BARDWELL D. ODUM	15	CHARLES T. BROWN, JR.
3	ROBERT M. BARRETT	16	JOE B. ABERNATHY
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10	ALFRED D. NEELEY	23	ROBERT C. LISH
11	EMORY E. HORTON	24	NAT A. PINKSTON
12	PAUL E. WULFF	25	J. LOYLE WILLIAMS
13	MILTON L. NEWSOM	26	RAYMOND P. YELCHAK

ANY TIME AN AGENT TAKES A VOLUME FOR RESEARCH OTHER THAN THE VOLUME ASSIGNED TO HIM, HE SHOULD NOTE ON THE SHEET MAINTAINED AT THE BOOKCASE IN THE AGENTS' ROOM THE NUMBER OF THE VOLUME HE HAS, IN ORDER THAT ANY AGENT DESIRING TO LOCATE A PARTICULAR VOLUME WILL KNOW WHERE TO LOCATE SAME.

LIKEWISE, UPON THE RETURN OF SUCH VOLUME, THE AGENT SHOULD CROSS OFF HIS NAME SO THAT IF THE RECORD OF CHARGEOUTS DOES NOT REFLECT A VOLUME CHARGED OUT TO ANYONE, SAME SHOULD BE IN THE BOOKCASE.