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Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL  
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (62-109060)

FROM: SAC, NEW ORLEANS (89-69)

SUBJECT: ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT  
JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY  
DALLAS, TEXAS, 11/22/63  
MISCELLANEOUS - INFO CONCERNING  
(OO: DALLAS)

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are newspaper articles appearing in New Orleans newspapers concerning the assassination of President JOHN F. KENNEDY.

One copy each of these newspaper articles is enclosed herewith for Dallas and Miami.

- 3 - Bureau (Encs. 3)
  - 1 - Dallas (89-43) (Encs. 3)
  - 1 - Miami (Encs. 3)
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# Hall Willing to Come to N.O.

## Nothing to Hide, Says Probe Witness

Loran E. Hall, a California bartender subpoenaed by District Attorney Jim Garrison in the Kennedy assassination probe, said Tuesday he's willing to come to New Orleans.

He said that if Garrison gets a California court order to this effect, "I naturally will go to New Orleans. I have absolutely nothing to hide."

Subpenas went out for Hall and two other persons last week. At that time, Hall said he wouldn't come to New Orleans voluntarily.

### MAY SET DATE

It's also expected that a date will be set soon by California officials for an extradition hearing for Edgar Eugene Bradley.

Garrison has charged Bradley, of Los Angeles, with conspiracy to kill President John F. Kennedy.

Hall, interviewed at his Kernville, Calif., bar, said he disliked the late President but denied any knowledge of an assassination conspiracy.

He said that President Kennedy "should have been removed from office by ballot, not bullet."

Garrison claims a connection existed between Hall and Jack Ruby, slayer of President Kennedy's accused assassin, Lee Harvey Oswald.

But Hall says he first saw Ruby "when I, like the rest of America, saw him shoot Oswald on television."

Hall said he was arrested in Dallas in Sept., 1963 and earlier in Miami because of his part in proposed raids on Communist Cuba.

### CIA QUESTIONS

Hall, who said he was to take medical supplies and arms to the Cuban people, said he was questioned by the Central Intelligence Agency after his arrest.

Garrison, he said, is interested in him because he once told

FBI agents he was present at a meeting in the home of Mrs. Sylvia Odio.

This meeting, described in the Warren Report on the President's slaying, involved a "Leon" Oswald, Mrs. Odio told the commission.

However, Hall said Tuesday that he never attended any meeting like this. He said he told the FBI that because he was frightened.

Hall said he is "very hostile" to Chief Justice Earl Warren, Warren Commission chairman, because of his judicial decisions.

He described himself as a "militant conservative" and Oswald as a "communist."

Since issuance of the subpoena, Hall said he has received some harassing phone calls.

He said he's "concerned because of the unnatural deaths of so many people who have been involved in the assassination probe."

Hall admitted he knew Lawrence J. Howard Jr., also of Los Angeles, also subpoenaed with him by Garrison.

But he added that he has not seen Howard since before the assassination, which occurred Nov. 22, 1963.

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SECTION 1

TIMES PICAYUNE

NEWORLEANS, LA.

Date: 1-3-68

Edition:

Author:

Editor: GEORGE W. HEALY

Title: ASSASSINATION

PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY DALLAS, T.

11-22-63

Character:

AFO

Classification: 89-

Submitting Office: N.O., LA

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# Vows Beckham Will Return If Conditions Met

An attorney for Thomas Edward Beckham, 27, entertainer-evangelist sought by New Orleans Dist. Atty. Jim Garrison as a material witness in his probe of the assassination of President Kennedy, said yesterday in Council Bluffs, Iowa, his client would return to New Orleans if certain conditions are met.

John E. Rice, Bellevue, Neb., attorney, said Beckham would have to be guaranteed immunity from prosecution on a trip from Nebraska to New Orleans and back.

Beckham, a western music entertainer who says he is a bishop of the Universal Life Church, moved here from Omaha in an effort to avoid a subpoena issued Friday for his return to New Orleans to face a grand jury probe Feb. 12. Iowa is not a party to an interstate pact providing for the free exchange of material witnesses in major criminal cases.

In Omaha, Douglas County Atty. Donald Knowles said he will ask the district court to order Beckham to appear as a material witness. Knowles said he had received a written request to return Beckham to New Orleans.

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STATES-ITEM

NEW ORLEANS, LA

Date: 1-3-68

Edition: RED COMET

Author:

Editor: GEORGE W. HEALY

Title: ASSASSINATION OF

PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY, DALLAS, TX

11-22-63

Character: AFO

Classification: 89-

Submitting Office: N.O., LA

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
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COMMUNICATION SECTION

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TO DIRECTOR (62-109060), DALLAS (89-43), LOS ANGELES, AND  
OMAHA

FROM NEW ORLEANS (89-69) 7P

ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY,

DALLAS, TEXAS, NOV. TWENTYTWO, SIXTYTHREE, MISCELLANEOUS -  
INFO CONCERNING, OO: DALLAS.

NEW ORLEANS STATES-ITEM, RED FLASH EDITION, DEC. TWENTY  
 NINE INSTANT, REPORTED THAT <sup>DISTRICT ATTORNEY</sup> DA JIM GARRISON TODAY SUBPOENAED  
 THREE PERSONS AS MATERIAL WITNESSES IN HIS PROBE OF THE  
 ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY. THE  
 ARTICLE IDENTIFIED THE THREE WITNESSES AS LORAN A. HALL OF  
 KERNVILLE, CALIF., THOMAS BECKHAM OF OMAHA, NEB., AND  
 LAWRENCE J. HOWARD OF LOS ANGELES. SUBPOENAS WERE ISSUED  
 BY CRIMINAL DISTRICT JUDGE MATTHEW S. BRANIFF AND CALLED  
 FOR THE APPEARANCE OF THE WITNESSES BEFORE THE ORLEANS PARISH  
 GRAND JURY, FEB. ONE AND TWO, CO.

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ACCORDING TO THE ARTICLE THE SUBPOENA FOR HALL SAID

THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY HAS INFORMATION HALL CHECKED INTO THE

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MR. DELOACH FOR THE DIRECTOR

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DALLAS YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION IN OCT., SIXTYTHREE AND REMAINED IN DALLAS UNTIL THE TIME OF THE KENNEDY SLAYING. IT WAS FURTHER CONTENDED THAT HALL WAS IN DALLAS WITH JACK RUBY "AND OTHER INDIVIDUALS BELIEVED TO BE INVOLVED IN THE ASSASSINATION, THAT HE BROUGHT A WEAPON TO DALLAS SHORTLY BEFORE THE ASSASSINATION, THAT HE WAS ACTIVE IN THE 'FREE CUBA' MOVEMENT IN FLA., LA. AND TEXAS, THAT HE WAS PREVIOUSLY ENGAGED IN CIA SPONSORED GUERRILLA TRAINING IN FLA. FOR RAIDS ON CUBA, THAT HE WAS IN ASSOCIATION WITH LEE HARVEY OSWALD IN DALLAS." THE SUBPOENA CHARGES THAT BEFORE HALL'S ARRIVAL IN DALLAS HE WAS IN THE NEW ORLEANS AREA AND WAS IN CONTACT WITH DAVID WILLIAM FERRY AND OTHER INDIVIDUALS WHO FREQUENTED FIVE THREE ONE LAFAYETTE ST. WHICH THE DOCUMENT IDENTIFIED AS THE SAME OFFICE BUILDING DESCRIBED AS FIVE FOUR FOUR CAMP ST. THE ADDRESS USED ON LEAFLETS HANDED OUT BY LEE OSWALD IN NEW ORLEANS. THE SUBPOENA ALLEGES THAT BEFORE THE ASSASSINATION, HALL WAS PRESENT AT DISCUSSIONS CONCERNING IT. THE ARTICLE REPORTED THAT THE SUBPOENA STIPULATES THAT IF HALL OBEYS THE SUMMONS HE WILL HAVE IMMUNITY FROM PROSECUTION.

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THE ARTICLE REPORTED THAT THE SUBPOENA FOR BECKHAM STATES THE DA'S OFFICE HAS INFORMATION THAT HE WAS IN ASSOCIATION WITH FERRY AND OTHER INDIVIDUALS AT FIVE THREE ONE LAFAYETTE ST. AND THAT HE WAS FURTHER CONNECTED WITH FERRY IN THAT BOTH WERE ORDAINED PRIESTS IN THE "OLD ORTHODOX CATHOLIC" CHURCH OF NORTH AMERICA." THE SUBPOENA STATES BECKHAM OPERATED A "CUBAN MISSION" ON RAMPART ST. AND SAYS HE WAS "IN ACTIVE ASSOCIATION WITH CERTAIN CUBAN EXILES IN NEW ORLEANS IN WHOSE COMPANY LEE OSWALD WAS SEEN."

THE SUBPOENA ALLEGES THAT BECKHAM "HAD KNOWLEDGE OF CIA SPONSORED GUERRILLA TRAINING CONDUCTED NEAR NEW ORLEANS." IT ALSO ADDS HE HAD KNOWLEDGE OF INTELLIGENCE ACTIVITIES OCCURRING IN THE OFFICE OF W. GUY BANISTER.

THE SUBPOENA SAYS BECKHAM SUBSEQUENTLY WAS REPORTED TO BE IN DALLAS IN NOV., SIXTYTHREE, WITH ONE OF THE CUBAN EXILES AND THAT A NUMBER OF THOSE PERSONS WITH WHOM HE WAS IN CONTACT IN NEW ORLEANS AND DALLAS "ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE PLAYED A PART IN THE ASSASSINATION." THE SUBPOENA GRANTS

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BECKHAM IMMUNITY SIMILAR TO THAT GIVEN <sup>3193 Blanchard</sup> <sup>LOS ANGELES</sup> <sup>Cuba</sup> HALL IF HE OBEYS  
THE SUBPOENA. Lawrence J.

THE ARTICLE REPORTED THAT THE SUBPOENA FOR HOWARD  
STATES INFORMATION HAS BEEN GIVEN THE DA THAT HOWARD WAS  
IN ASSOCIATION WITH FERRY IN SIXTYTHREE DURING THE COURSE  
OF VISITS TO NEW ORLEANS. THE SUBPOENA <sup>aka GION 20</sup> SAYS THE DA HAS ~~ESCURIDO~~  
INFORMATION HOWARD WAS ENGAGED IN CIA SPONSORED GUERRILLA

TRAINING IN FLA. FOR RAIDS ON CUBA, THAT HE WAS ACTIVE IN  
THE "FREE CUBA" MOVEMENT IN FLA., LA., AND TEXAS, AND THAT  
HE ASSOCIATED WITH FERRY AND OTHERS AT FIVE THREE ONE LAFAYETTE.  
THE SUBPOENA SAYS HOWARD ARRIVED IN DALLAS AND CHECKED INTO  
THE YMCA IN OCT., SIXTYTHREE AND STAYED IN DALLAS UNTIL THE  
TIME OF THE KENNEDY ASSASSINATION. THE SUBPOENA CLAIMS  
THAT HOWARD WAS IN CONTACT WITH RUBY "AND OTHER INDIVIDUALS  
BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN INVOLVED IN THE ASSASSINATION." THE  
SUBPOENA GRANTS IMMUNITY TO HOWARD IN THE SAME MANNER AS  
THE OTHER WITNESSES.

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SAN DI PINO, TV STATION CHANNEL TWELVE, FURNISHED THE NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF THE SUBPOENAED WITNESSES AS THOMAS BECKHAM, FIVE THREE ONE FOUR NORTH FORTYEIGHTH ST., OMAHA, NEB., LAWRENCE J. HOWARD, THREE ONE NINE THREE BLANCHARD, LOS ANGELES, CALIF., AND LORAN E. HALL, KERNVILLE, CALIF. NEW ORLEANS STATES-ITEM FINAL EDITION, INSTANT DATE, REPORTED THAT GARRISON SAID HALL IS ALSO KNOWN AS LORENZO-FASCILLO AND SKIP HALL AND THAT HALL IN NINETEEN SIXTYTHREE WAS A MEMBER OF THE MINUTEMEN ORGANIZATION. GARRISON ALSO SAID THAT HOWARD IS ALSO KNOWN AS ALONZO ESCURIDO.

NO IDENTIFIABLE INFO CONTAINED IN FILES NEW ORLEANS OFFICE ON HOWARD AND HALL UNDER NAMES AND ALIASES.

THOMAS BECKHAM PROBABLY IDENTICAL WITH INDIVIDUAL BY THAT NAME MENTIONED IN NEW ORLEANS TEL TO BUREAU FEB. TWENTY, SIXTYSEVEN, WHICH REPORTED JACK S. MARTIN FURNISHED INFO THAT GARRISON HAD LOCATED A WITNESS NAMED THOMAS BECKHAM, AKA. MARK EVANS, WHO ACCORDING TO MARTIN WAS ASSOCIATED WITH OSWALD AND ASSISTED OSWALD IN PASSING OUT LEAFLETS.

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5314 N. 48th St  
Omaha, Neb.



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FILES NEW ORLEANS OFFICE SHOW THOMAS EDWARD BECKHAM WAS SUBJECT OF INTERSTATE TRANSPORTATION OF STOLEN PROPERTY INVESTIGATION IN JULY, FIFTYEIGHT, AND IS APPARENTLY IDENTICAL WITH INDIVIDUAL OF SAME NAME WHO IS LISTED AS BAD CHECK PASSER IN JULY EIGHT, SIXTY, NEW ORLEANS HOTEL BULLETIN.

FILES ALSO REFLECT THAT DAVID LEWIS ON OCT. ELEVEN, SIXTYTWO, REPORTED THAT THOMAS EDWARD BECKHAM WAS SEEKING FUNDS FOR A RELIGIOUS GROUP SEEKING TO HELP CUBANS.

FILES FURTHER SHOW BECKHAM'S MOTHER REPORTED ON OCT. NINETEEN SIXTYTWO THAT HE WAS CONFINED IN MENTAL WARD, THIRD FLOOR, CHARITY HOSPITAL, NEW ORLEANS, LA. AND MADE AVAILABLE A CARD WHICH REFLECTED BECKHAM WAS "PRIEST IN CHARGE OF HOLEY CHAPEL FOR PEACE, THREE FIVE TWO S. RAMPART ST."

FILES FURTHER SHOW THAT ON JULY SEVEN, SIXTY, JACK S. MARTIN ADVISED THAT THOMAS EDWARD BECKHAM, AGE SEVENTEEN, A SINGER WHOM MARTIN WAS ATTEMPTING TO PROMOTE, WAS IN CALIF. ALLEGEDLY PASSING FRAUDULENT CHECKS ON FATHER'S ACCOUNT.

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OMAHA AND LOS ANGELES WILL FURNISH ANY INFO CONCERNING  
WITNESSES RESIDING IN THEIR RESPECTIVE TERRITORIES TO BUREAU,  
DALLAS, AND NEW ORLEANS.

<sup>MEMO</sup>  
NO LHM BEING SUBMITTED.

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CC MR. SULLIVAN

## Domestic Intelligence Division

INFORMATIVE NOTE

Date 12/29/67

Attached teletype from New Orleans reports New Orleans District Attorney Garrison has issued subpoenas as witnesses to his probe to Loran A. Hall, Thomas Beckham and Lawrence J. Howard. Garrison alleges that three individuals were in contact with Lee Harvey Oswald or Jack Ruby or their associates, in Dallas or New Orleans. Our investigation of assassination disclosed no information any of these three individuals knew Oswald or Ruby. By letter dated 12/28/67, we furnished pertinent data in our files regarding Hall and Howard to White House and Attorney General. Our files are being reviewed regarding Beckham and results will also be furnished White House and Attorney General.

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Date: 1/5/68

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AIR MAIL

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (62-109060)  
 FROM: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (175-17)

ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN FITZGERALD  
 KENNEDY, DALLAS, TEXAS, NOVEMBER 22, 1963  
 MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION CONCERNING

OO: Dallas

Re San Francisco teletype to Bureau, 12/21/67.

Enclosed for the information of the Bureau, Dallas and New Orleans  
 Offices is one copy each of an article appearing in the current  
 issue of the "Berkeley Barb." The "Berkeley Barb" is a weekly  
 newspaper published by the Underground Press Syndicate (UPS) at  
 2886 Telegraph Ave., Berkeley, Calif. The editor and publisher  
 is MAX SCHERR and the managing editor is JAMES A. SCHREIBER.

The article was written by ~~HAK~~ VERB, who has previously been  
 identified as a member of the Oakland-Berkeley Branch of the  
 Socialist Workers Party.

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# MAFIA PLOT TO KILL

## GARRISON VERIFIED

By Hal Verb

The Mafia is under contract to kill Jim Garrison, the New Orleans DA investigating the Kennedy assassination. The names of the Mafia men involved are known to state and federal lawmen.

The plot against Garrison was disclosed December 23 in a taped interview between KCBS newsman Harry Morgan and Bill Boxley, an

investigator for Garrison. Boxley said the plan to murder Garrison was verified "through California state intelligence services."

The daily press didn't find the interview important enough to report.

Harry Morgan posed the question of motive for the Mafia interest in the death of Garrison. "Is it because, one, I'm asked, the fact that the Mafia was directly involved in the (Kennedy) assassination itself, or they are merely serving a hireling function for someone else?" he asked.

"Well," Boxley replied, "we are inclined to believe that this would be a purely a financial contract—merely a business matter...there's no motivation or emotion involved in this sort of scheme or plot."

Boxley said DA Jim Garrison is "a primary subject now not only for organized crime, but for people who are on, let's say, the dramatic fringe of politics."

On December 14 Harry Morgan got in touch with Garrison's office to pass on an unconfirmed tip about the Mafia gunning for the DA. A subsequent check showed that the names supplied by Morgan correspond with "pretty well-known Mafia structure."

Special police protection was then given to Garrison. Boxley noted that Garrison does not place complete faith in such protection.

"He (Garrison) points out...that the secret service, the FBI, the Central Intelligence Agency and all of our Armed Forces were unable to prevent the assassination of President Kennedy..." Boxley said.

(Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

This newspaper published by the Underground Press Syndicate (UPS)

BERKELEY BARB

Vol. No. 26,

Issue 124,

December 29 -

January 4.

2886 Telegraph Ave

Berkeley, Cal.

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Date: Dec. 29 - Jan. 4

Edition: above.

Author: HAL VERB

Editor: MAX SCHERR

Title: Mafia Plot to Kill Garrison Verified

Character: UNSUB; Jim Garrison-Vict.

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Submitting Office: SanFrancisco

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TO : Director, FBI (62-109060)  
FROM : SAC, New Orleans (89-69)  
SUBJECT: ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT  
JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY  
DALLAS, TEXAS, 11/22/63  
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION  
- CONCERNING  
(OO: Dallas)

Re New Orleans airtel 1/15/68, and enclosed analysis.

Enclosed for the Bureau are six copies and for Dallas three copies of seven pages which were inadvertently not included in the analysis submitted with referenced communication. The omission of these pages was noticed upon first reading of the analysis.

Bureau and Dallas are requested to renumber pages 23 through 28.

New Orleans copies are being changed in ink.

- 3 - Bureau (Enc. 42) ENCLOSURE
  - 2 - Dallas (Enc. 21)
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Via AIRTEL \_\_\_\_\_  
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TO: Director, FBI (62-109060)

FROM: SAC, Cleveland (62-1848)

ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT  
JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY,  
11/23/63, DALLAS TEXAS  
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

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Re Mobile tel to the Bureau, 3/2/66, captioned  
"UNSUBS, aka., (FNU) HENDERSON; (FNU) SAVANTE (PHONETIC);  
Alleged Plan to Bomb U.S. Capitol Building, Washington, D.C.,  
3/3/66; Bombing Matters-Threats," and Cleveland tel to the  
Bureau, 1/13/67, captioned [redacted] Threat  
Against the President."

Enclosed for the Bureau are eight copies of an LHM  
concerning captioned matter.

Two copies of LHM being furnished Secret Service,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Two copies of LHM being furnished to New Orleans  
for information inasmuch as [redacted] claimed that  
he would be interviewed by District Attorney JAMES GARRISON  
of New Orleans in the next several days concerning captioned  
matter.

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BY

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Special Agent in Charge

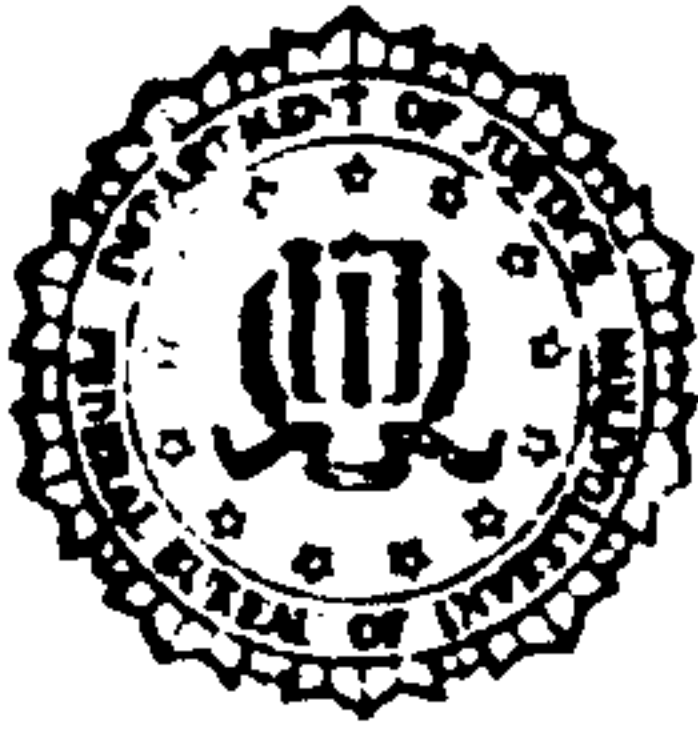
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Also enclosed for the information of New Orleans are Xerox copies of four teletype communications from the Cleveland Office dated 11/18/66, 11/19/66, 1/13/67 and 1/13/67, captioned [REDACTED] Threat Against the President. Also enclosed for the New Orleans Office is a copy of referenced Mobile teletype dated 3/2/66, and a Xerox copy of an airtel and LHM from the Cleveland Office dated 3/8/66 bearing the same caption.

No further action being taken by the Cleveland Office.





UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

January 5, 1968

Director  
United States Secret Service  
Department of the Treasury  
Washington, D. C. 20220

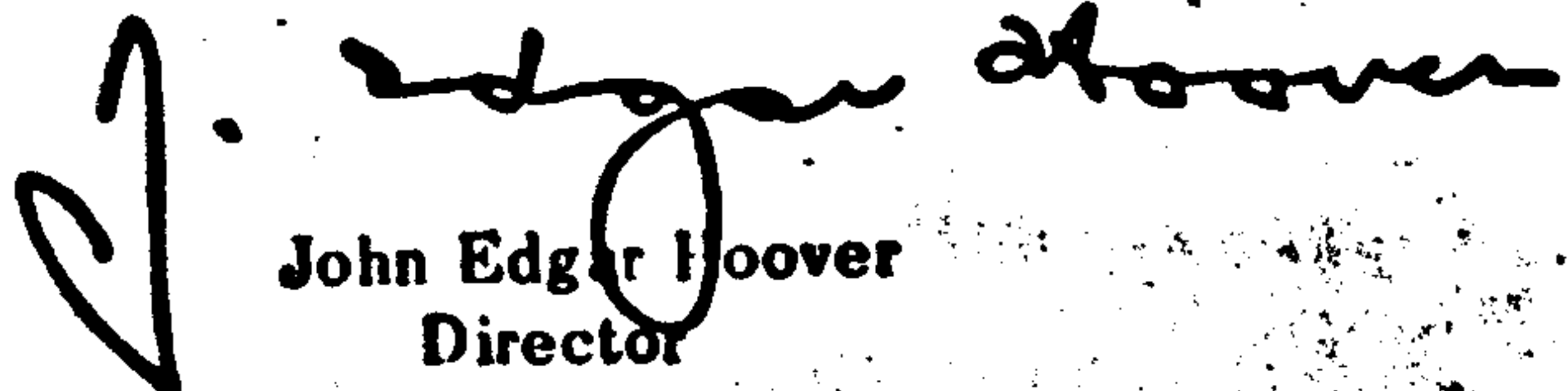
Dear Sir:

The information furnished herewith concerns an individual who is believed to be covered by the agreement between the FBI and Secret Service concerning Presidential protection, and to fall within the category or categories checked.

1.  Has attempted or threatened bodily harm to any government official or employee, including foreign government officials residing in or planning an imminent visit to the U. S., because of his official status.
2.  Has attempted or threatened to redress a grievance against any public official by other than legal means.
3.  Because of background is potentially dangerous; or has been identified as member or participant in communist movement; or has been under active investigation as member of other group or organization inimical to U. S.
4.  U. S. citizens or residents who defect from the U. S. to countries in the Soviet or Chinese Communist blocs and return.
5.  Subversives, ultrarightists, racists and fascists who meet one or more of the following criteria:
  - (a)  Evidence of emotional instability (including unstable residence and employment record) or irrational or suicidal behavior;
  - (b)  Expressions of strong or violent anti-U. S. sentiment;
  - (c)  Prior acts (including arrests or convictions) or conduct or statements indicating a propensity for violence and antipathy toward good order and government.
6.  Individuals involved in illegal bombing or illegal bomb-making.

Photograph  has been furnished  enclosed  is not available  
 may be available through \_\_\_\_\_

Very truly yours,

  
John Edgar Hoover  
Director

1 - Special Agent in Charge (Enclosure(s) -2  
U. S. Secret Service, Cleveland (By Hand)

Enclosure(s)

(Upon removal of classified enclosures, if any, this transmittal form becomes UNCLASSIFIED.)



Cleveland, Ohio

In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

January 5, 1968

ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT  
JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY,  
NOVEMBER 23, 1963,  
DALLAS, TEXAS

On January 5, 1968, [redacted] appeared at the Cleveland, Ohio, office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, at which time he stated he had recently returned from Chicago, Illinois, and is now working at General Electric, 1734 Ivanhoe Road, Cleveland, Ohio, and residing at 1396 Addison Road, Cleveland, Ohio.

[redacted] stated the reason for his visit to the Cleveland FBI office was to report that he now remembers the names of two males who were in a Chicago room in March, 1966, when he had a job of delivering packages from Chicago, Illinois, to Detroit, Michigan, and Cleveland, Ohio. [redacted] stated that the names of the two males were Clay Shaw and Adolph or Abel Strikeman (phonetic). He stated that he had reported this information to the FBI office in Selma, Alabama, in March, 1966, after he had ascertained that the packages which he had delivered were diagrams of a nuclear explosive.

[redacted] also stated that on January 1, 1968, January 3, 1968, and again on January 4, 1968; he had received telephone calls from the office of James Garrison, District Attorney, New Orleans, Louisiana, regarding information which he, [redacted] had furnished to Garrison's office regarding the assassination of President Kennedy. [redacted] said the caller on January 4, 1968, was Garrison himself, who informed [redacted] that a representative of his office by the name of Martinez (phonetic) will be in Cleveland in the next several days to interview [redacted]. [redacted] declined to discuss the information which he indicated he had furnished the District Attorney in New Orleans.

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ENCLOSURE

109060-5497

Re: ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT  
JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY,  
NOVEMBER 23, 1963,  
DALLAS, TEXAS

The files of the Cleveland Office reflect that [redacted] first came to the attention of this office in March, 1960, when he furnished information to a representative of the FBI in Selma, Alabama, indicating that he had overheard conversation relating to an alleged plan to bomb the United States Capitol Building in Washington, D. C., on March 3, 1966. Investigation at that time revealed that [redacted] was a "liar" and had a record at Cuyahoga County Juvenile Court, Cleveland, Ohio, since 1953 for incorrigibility and numerous thefts. [redacted] was committed to the Boys Industrial School, Lancaster, Ohio, in 1958 and examined by State Juvenile Diagnosis Clinic, Columbus, Ohio, which found [redacted] to be severely emotionally disturbed. In 1959 [redacted] was further described as "psychoneurotic offender with a severe, obsessive-compulsive with pre-psychotic personality pattern."

On November 18, 1966, information was received indicating [redacted] had a small explosive device which he planned to use to kill the President. Following that report, [redacted] was picked up by Secret Service in Cleveland, Ohio, and subsequently committed to the Cleveland Psychiatric Hospital. [redacted] escaped from the hospital on January 13, 1967, but surrendered on the same date to Secret Service in Cleveland and was returned to the psychiatric hospital.

The above information was furnished Fred Backstrom, Special Agent, Secret Service, Cleveland, Ohio, at 11:00 AM on January 5, 1968. Agent Backstrom stated that [redacted] had visited the Secret Service office the previous day with similar information. He said [redacted] was not wanted by Secret Service at this time. He further stated that Douglas, following his release from the Cleveland Psychiatric Hospital, went to the Chicago area and was committed to the Elgin, Illinois, State Hospital on October 21, 1967. He was released on November 2, 1967.

[redacted] is described as follows:

Race:

Negro

Sex:

Male

Birth Data:

May 11, 1943, at  
Cleveland, Ohio

Re: ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT  
JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY,  
NOVEMBER 23, 1963,  
DALLAS, TEXAS

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Height:	5' 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ "
Weight:	138 pounds
Tattoos:	Heart on back of left hand; and blotched cross on back of right hand

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