

Memorandum to Mr. McDermott  
Re: Analysis of Alleged All SAC Teletype  
Message Dated November 17, 1963,  
Re: John F. Kennedy  
Assassination Matter

The possibility exists that if the original copy of the alleged message were reviewed it would be found that the errors in format were attributable to the dictation. Further, although the above reflects normal practices which were strictly adhered to at that time, it is not inconceivable that a series of coincidences could have resulted in a message similar to that presented.

ACTION:

For information.

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PLM

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Two long, parallel diagonal lines pointing downwards.

ADDENDUM OF FILES AND COMMUNICATIONS DIVISION ACF:jw 9/26/75

To clarify the variation between the standard heading as set forth on Page 2 and copies of ALL SAC teletypes in Bufiles, it should be noted that the initials "FBI" were not transmitted on the teletype machine following the word "Director" even though "FBI" invariably appeared on the 0-9 green and on the blocked yellow when prepared by the stenographer at FBIHQ. The deletion of the initials FBI from the transmission copy was placed into effect sometime between 1961 and March, 1963, as an economy measure by eliminating unnecessary information in the heading of teletype messages.

The caption as set forth in the alleged teletype and as set forth in the representation of how a teletype message should have appeared in 1963 would have depended entirely upon the dictator. For example, the dictator of such a communication could have used "President Kennedy" as opposed to "President John F. Kennedy" in recognition of President Kennedy's eminence. There was not then, nor is there now, a prescribed format for the captions of teletype messages, this being the prerogative of the dictator.

*M. J. O.*

*JBI*

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

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TO : Mr. Gallagher *alg*

FROM : J. S. Peelman *js*

SUBJECT: *OP* JOHN F. KENNEDY  
ASSASSINATION MATTER

DATE: 9/26/75

- 1 - Mr. Gallagher
- 1 - Mr. J.E. O'Connell
- 1 - Mr. Peelman
- 1 - Mr. Gehring
- 1 - Mr. Adams
- 1 - Mr. Jenkins
- 1 - Mr. Callahan
- 1 - Mr. Bassett
- 1 - Mr. McDermott

This concerns the purported teletype dated 11-17-63 originating from the Bureau to All SACs concerning an alleged threat to assassinate President Kennedy in Dallas, Texas, on 11/22 - 23/63 by a "militant revolutionary group."

An analysis of the teletype communication indicates it did not originate from the Bureau.

The distinctive wording of the teletype did not follow the normal format of issuing instructions of type by the Bureau during that particular period of time. All offices would have been instructed to contact all Racial, Security, and Criminal informants and logical sources (not limited to "Racial" and hate group informants, Security informant was not mentioned). The reliability of the sources and the name of group would normally be included. (Not general classification, "militant revolutionary group.") No instructions given regarding advice to State and local authorities and Secret Service. Files do not indicate the normal cover memorandum for such a communication.

ACTION: For information.

MPG/pwl (10)

*EX 10/11/75* RECA3  
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SEP 28 1975  
*[Handwritten signature]*

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1219 PM URGENT SEPTEMBER 28, 1975 CXV

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SALT LAKE CITY (89-44)

ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY, 11/22/63, DALLAS, TEXAS.

RE TELETYPE TO ALL SACS FROM DIRECTOR, 9/27/75.

SEARCH OF INDICES SALT LAKE CITY AND REVIEW OF FILES IN LOGICAL CLASSIFICATIONS, AS WELL AS ZERO FILES, FAILED TO LOCATE ANY REFERENCE TO TELETYPE OR OTHER COMMUNICATIONS AS OUTLINED IN REFERENCE TELETYPE.

END.

MAH FBIHQ ACK FOR ONE

WA CLR

*[Handwritten signature]*

EX-108 62-109060-7414X  
 REC-162-109060-7300

5 SEP 30 1975

*[Handwritten initials]*

5 OCT 14 1975 *[Handwritten initials]*



**IMPORTANT Please Read**

The attached mail has been charged to your office for appropriate action. If it is necessary to forward elsewhere, advise the Office of Congressional Affairs, extension 4510. IMPERATIVE: Copies of any memoranda, letters, or drafts for the signature of Justice Department officials must be furnished to the office of Congressional Affairs. Also, a copy of any letters to the concerned Congressman, Senator, or constituent concerning this matter should be furnished to the Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, along with the original yellow referral slip.

November 12, 1975

EX 103

REC-43

62-109060-7415

Honorable Robert P. Griffin  
United States Senate  
Washington, D. C. 20510

Dear Senator Griffin:

Your communication of October 31st to the Department of Justice, enclosing a copy of a letter from Messrs. Steve Willnow and Robert Carlson, Allendale, Michigan, was forwarded to the FBI for acknowledgment and was received here on November 10th.

With respect to your constituents' request, this Bureau has received numerous letters urging that the investigation into the assassination of President Kennedy be reopened. I have responded by saying that in every instance new leads are investigated, but to date, no evidence has been received that would indicate this investigation should be reopened.

Your enclosure is being returned in accordance with your request.

Sincerely yours,

*Q. M. Kelley*

Clarence M. Kelley  
Director

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Enclosure

- 1 - Office of Legislative Affairs - Enclosures (3)
- 1 - Room 1139, Department of Justice
- 1 - Detroit - Enclosures (2)
- 1 - Office of Congressional Affairs - Enclosures (2)

NOTE: Willnow and Carlson are not identifiable in Bufiles.

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MAIL ROOM  TELETYPE UNIT

*m/g* *6/1/75* *[Signature]*



United States Senate

Washington, D. C., October 31, 1975

Respectfully referred to

RECEIVED  
OCT 31 1975  
Congressional Liaison  
Dept. of Justice  
Attn: Larry Miesse

I would appreciate a review of the matter described in the attached letter. Please send me an appropriate report and return the correspondence.

Thank you,  
O.L.A.

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OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS

FED. BU. OF INV.

*Robert P. Griffin*  
ROBERT P. GRIFFIN  
U.S.S.

Form No. 3

ACK 11/12/75  
in 4/12/75

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ENCLOSURE

EX 103

REC-43

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*John F. Kennedy*

*10/31*

Senator Robert Griffen  
853 Senate Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20510

Steve Willnow  
140 Kistler House  
Grand Valley State College  
Allendale, Michigan 49401

Senator Griffen,

Recently we saw a few television shows showing considerable evidence that John F. Kennedy's assassination was a conspiracy. After reading more on the subject we decided that we would circulate petitions to see how many people would be in favor of a re-opening of the investigation concerning the assassination. In a short period of time we have collected 200 signatures. May I also add that approximately 90% of the people asked were willing to sign the petition. These programs have left a feeling of doubt, speculation and even mistrust in us and many others. We wish the investigation be re-opened

We would appreciate any other information you have concerning this matter. Other copies of these petitions are being sent to other senators and knowledgeable people. Thank-you.

Sincerely,

Steve Willnow  
Robert Carlson

Enclosure  
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*Allendale, Mich.*

ORIGINAL ENCLOSURE SENT BACK  
TO SENATOR GRIFFIN

62-10966-100



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<b>FROM</b>  SEN. ROBERT GRIFFIN	<b>DATE OF DOCUMENT</b>  10/31/75	<b>SUSPENSE DATE</b>  11/18/75
<b>TO</b>  Congressional Liaison	<b>DATE RECEIVED</b>  11/3175	<b>CONTROL NO.</b>  13,189
<b>DESCRIPTION</b>  Let. of Steve Willnow	<b>REFERRED TO</b>	<b>DATE</b>
	Criminal <i>FBI</i>	11/4/75 <i>11-5</i>
<b>REMARKS</b>  PLEASE RETURN COPY OF REPLY AND THIS FORM TO OLA-Room 1139	PREPARE REPLY FOR SIGNATURE OF  <b>Criminal Division.</b>	

MAIL CONTROL

REPLACES AD-820 WHICH MAY BE USED DJ-295  
7-5-73

FBI

Date: 10/31/75

Transmit the following in \_\_\_\_\_  
(Type in plaintext or code)

Via AIRTEL \_\_\_\_\_  
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (62-109060)  
FROM: SAC, DALLAS (89-43) (P)  
SUBJECT: ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT  
JOHN F. KENNEDY  
11/22/63  
DALLAS, TEXAS  
AFO

REC-3

Re Tampa airtel and LHM dated 10/29/75, and Bureau routing slip to Dallas dated 10/22/75.

Dallas requests investigation be conducted at Fitzsimmons General Hospital, Denver, Colorado, in an attempt to locate hospital records on GLAY BERTRAND, aka BERT (LNU), who was reportedly treated at the psychiatric ward of that hospital during 1967 - 1968. Additionally, Clearwater, Florida, should be reinterviewed for the names and present location of any other persons who knew or met BERTRAND in Denver during 1967 - 1968 in an attempt to verify the information she furnished in referenced LHM.

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② - Bureau  
2 - Dallas  
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Special Agent in Charge

Sent \_\_\_\_\_ M Per \_\_\_\_\_

FBI

Date: 11/7/75

Transmit the following in \_\_\_\_\_  
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Via AIRTEL \_\_\_\_\_  
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (62-109060)

FROM: SAC, NEW ORLEANS (89-69) (RUC)

ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT  
JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY,  
11/22/63,  
DALLAS, TEXAS

(OO: DALLAS)

REC-3

Re Tampa airtel to the Bureau, 10/9/75.

New Orleans Division has reviewed information furnished by [redacted] on 10/6/75 and does not believe additional investigation warranted as a result of her statement.

FIA

New Orleans has previously furnished the Bureau information regarding the name CLAY BERTRAND which originally came to light when Jefferson Parish, La., Attorney DEAN ANDREWS indicated that he had received a telephone call, subsequent to the assassination of President KENNEDY, while a patient in a New Orleans hospital from an individual who identified himself as BERTRAND and who requested that ANDREWS defend LEE HARVEY OSWALD. It was previously noted that ANDREWS was heavily sedated at the time of this reported telephone call.

- ② - Bureau
  - 1 - Dallas (89-43) (Info)
  - 1 - Tampa (62-455) (Info)
  - 1 - New Orleans
- JEC:npc  
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Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
Special Agent in Charge

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Following ANDREWS' revelation of this reported telephone call, former New Orleans District Attorney JIM GARRISON, while conducting his investigation into the assassination of President KENNEDY, unsuccessfully tried to prove that CLAY SHAW (deceased) was identical to BERTRAND.

New Orleans feels that should additional investigation be considered appropriate at this time as a result of [REDACTED] statement, this investigation should commence with interviews at Lowry Air Force Base or Fitzsimmons Hospital.

FBI

Date: 11/19/75

Transmit the following in \_\_\_\_\_  
(Type in plaintext or code)

Via AIRTEL \_\_\_\_\_  
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI  
Att n: Supervisor [redacted], Room 5048 JEH

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK

RE: KENNEDY ASSASSINATION  
TAPING OF "THE TOMORROW SHOW"  
11/18/75  
NEW YORK OFFICE

*ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHNF. KENNEDY*

This will confirm telephone call early AM 11/18/75 from Bureau Supervisor [redacted] requesting NYO tape "The Tomorrow Show" which would be seen on NBC television at 1:00 am, 11/18/75. According to Supervisor McGorray, he desired the program be taped in its entirety inasmuch as FBI's role in the Kennedy assassination was to be the topic of discussion between TOM SNYDER, Host and guests Senator Richard Schweiker, author Bob Anson, and others.

In accordance with FBIHQ request, enclosed is tape concerning captioned program.

② Bureau (Enc 1) ENCLOSURE  
1-New York

REC-38

62-107060-7418

"ENCLOSURE IN BULKY ROOM"  
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*Net Net - 5048 JEH*

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RESEARCH SECTION

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM : SAC, *TED* L. GUNDERSON *REC-4*

DATE: 9/26/75

SUBJECT: INQUIRY CONCERNING AUTHENTICITY OF ALLEGED TELETYPE DIRECTED TO ALL SAC'S, 11/17/63, CAPTIONED "THREAT TO ASSASSINATE PRESIDENT *Johar* KENNEDY, IN DALLAS, TEXAS, 11/22/63, MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION CONCERNING"

On 9/16/75, [REDACTED] Dallas, Texas, advised he wishes to be as cooperative as possible with the FBI, however, because of his position, he requests the following information be maintained in the strictest of confidence. Under no circumstances will he testify as he has furnished this data to the FBI for verification of the information only.

I, TED L. GUNDERSON, granted [REDACTED] an express promise of confidentiality per his request as to the information he furnished me and as to his identity.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

SECRET

Airtel

11/24/75

To: SAC, Denver

1 - Mr. Nettles

From: Director, FBI

ASSASSINATION OF  
PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY  
11/22/63  
DALLAS, TEXAS

Re Tampa airtel, 10/9/75, Dallas airtel, 10/31/75,  
and New Orleans airtel, 11/7/75, no copies sent to Denver.

Enclosed for Denver for background information are  
two copies of a Tampa LHM dated 10/9/75.

FBIHQ files contain no information identifiable  
with [REDACTED]

The name Clay Bertrand originally came to light  
when Jefferson Parish, Louisiana, Attorney Dean Andrews  
indicated he had received a telephone call, after the assas-  
sination, from an individual who identified himself as  
Bertrand. The caller requested that Andrews defend Lee Harvey  
Oswald. Thereafter, former New Orleans District Attorney  
Jim Garrison, while conducting his investigation of the  
assassination, unsuccessfully tried to prove that Clay Shaw  
(deceased), was identical with Bertrand.

Denver at Fitzsimmons General Hospital, Denver,  
Colorado, attempt to identify and develop any available in-  
formation regarding Clay Bertrand, aka Bert (LNU), who was  
reportedly treated at the psychiatric ward of that hospital  
during 1967-1968.

- Enclosures - 2
- 1 - Dallas (For information)
- 1 - New Orleans (For information)

2 - Tampa  
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See Note Page 2.

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Airtel to Denver

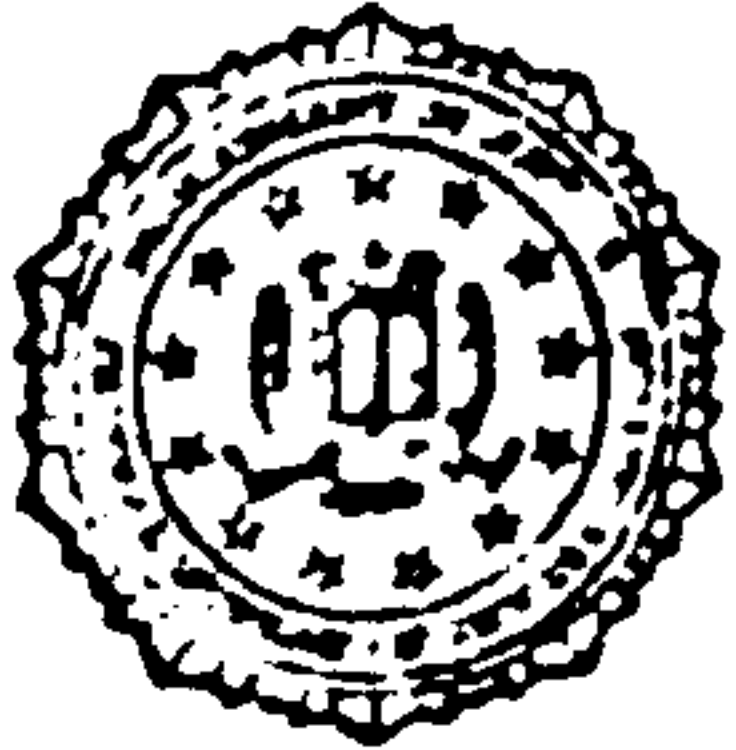
Re: ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY

Tampa at Clearwater, Florida, determine from [REDACTED] the names and present locations of any other persons who knew or met Bertrand in Denver, Colorado, in 1967-1968, and set out appropriate leads in an attempt to verify the information she furnished in Tampa LHM of 10/9/75.

Both offices submit LHMs.

NOTE: [REDACTED] advised that in 1967-1968, in Denver, Colorado, she knew a Bert (LNU), who claimed his true name was Clay Bertrand and the Bertrand who was being sought in New Orleans was not the right one. He allegedly was attached to the Air Police at Lowry Air Force Base and indicated he had connections with the CIA. At one time he indicated he had a problem regarding the assassination of President Kennedy. In May or June of 1968, she took him to the Fitzsimmons General Hospital and turned him over to a doctor in the psychiatric ward who was a colonel. The next day, the hospital denied any knowledge of him (Bert). Even though Bert appears to be a psychiatric case, these leads are being set out in an effort to develop a clearer picture of this matter. Office of origin, Dallas, recommended the above leads.





UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

Tampa, Florida  
October 9, 1975

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

On October 6, 1975, [REDACTED] nee [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED], Clearwater,  
Florida, telephone number [REDACTED] telephonically contacted  
the Clearwater, Florida, Resident Agency of the Federal  
Bureau of Investigation (FBI). [REDACTED] requested that an  
Agent contact her at her residence as she had information  
concerning the assassination of President John Fitzgerald  
Kennedy.

This document contains neither recommendations nor  
conclusions of the FBI. It is the property of the FBI and is  
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ENCLOSURE

## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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Date 10/9/75

[redacted] nee [redacted], [redacted], was contacted at her residence, in response to her request and advised of the identity of the interviewing Agent. She, thereafter, furnished the following information:

In July, 1967, [redacted] was living in Denver, Colorado, and at that time met an Air Force Sergeant, whom she only knew as BURT, and dated him for approximately two weeks. This individual was supposedly working on a top secret project, never wore a uniform and worked in civilian clothes. Supposedly, he was attached to the Air Police at Lowry Air Force Base and indicated that he had either connections or employment with the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA).

[redacted] advised she dated this individual for approximately two weeks and one morning he called her on the telephone and asked her if she would drive his car to the Texas/Louisiana border, where his brother, ROBERT, who was a manager at a Holiday Inn in New Orleans, would pick up the car. She stated she agreed to do this, and this individual picked her up to take her to work that morning and told her that at 2:00 a.m. the following morning he would drop off his car for her. She questioned him as to what was the problem, and he would only state that he had some problems and that if she did not know anything about it she could not get into trouble. [redacted] stated that this individual then continued

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On 10/6/75 at Clearwater, Florida File # Tampa 62-455  
by SA [redacted] smf Date dictated 10/8/75

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to tell her that his true name was CLAY BERTRAND and that the individual by the name of CLAY BERTRAND that the FBI was looking for in New Orleans was not the right CLAY BERTRAND. He stated that this involved the Kennedy assassination and he would furnish no other information concerning it. [REDACTED] advised that BERTRAND did not show up the following morning at 2:00 a.m. to deliver his car to her and he disappeared for approximately one year.

In approximately May or June of 1968, he came to her residence and was acting like a crazy man, stating that he had been operated on by the military and they had put a plate in his head which was buzzing and causing him headaches and other problems. [REDACTED] stated that she was able to get him out of her apartment under the pretext of taking him to a bar close to Lowry Air Force Base, and when she got in that area, she took him directly to Fitzsimmons Hospital. She was met at the hospital by a Colonel, who was also a medical doctor in the psychiatric ward, and this individual thanked her for bringing Bertrand back, in that he had escaped after his operation and was in need of treatment. [REDACTED] did not recall the Colonel's name.

[REDACTED] stated that the following day she telephonically contacted Fitzsimmons Hospital to check on the condition of BERTRAND, and they denied any knowledge of his being in the hospital or of ever being there. She stated she then attempted to locate the Colonel she had turned BERTRAND over to, and the hospital denied ever having this individual employed at the hospital.

[REDACTED] advised that BERTRAND had warned her never to say anything about their association or his true identity and she has been keeping this information to herself since that time, and it has continued to bother her until she decided that it was time to tell someone. [REDACTED] stated she has never seen or heard from BERTRAND since that time and has no idea of his current location.

[REDACTED] described BERTRAND as follows:

Race:	White
Sex:	Male
Height:	5'11" - 6'



Weight: 190 pounds  
 Age: Approximately 32 in 1967  
 Hair: Blondish brown and curly  
 Eyes: Blue  
 Residence: Believed to be originally from Lake Charles, La.  
 Relatives: Supposedly had eight brothers and sisters.  
 Automobile: In 1967, believed to be a blue or green two door Chevrolet, approximately two years old at that time.

[redacted] furnished the following background and descriptive information concerning herself:

Name: [redacted], nee [redacted]  
 Race: White  
 Sex: Female  
 Date of birth: November 23, 1935  
 Place of birth: St. Louis, Mo.  
 Height: 5'7"  
 Weight: 134 pounds  
 Hair: Black  
 Eyes: Brown  
 Social Security No.: [redacted]  
 Military Service: U.S. Air Force, August 8, 1954 - February 18, 1955  
 Serial Number: [redacted]  
 Rank: Airman 3rd Class  
 Residence: [redacted]  
 Clearwater, Florida  
 Telephone number: 441-3418  
 Employment: Unemployed, previously employed [redacted] Main Office, Miami, Florida

TP 62-455

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Mother:

[REDACTED]

Previous residences:

River Park, Port St. Luce, Fla.  
104th Street and Heron  
Denver, Colorado

1400 block, Jamaica St.  
Denver, Colorado

[REDACTED] Manthia  
Denver, Colorado

Divorced from:

[REDACTED]

Someone always knowing  
her whereabouts:

[REDACTED]

Mount Bello,  
Denver, Colorado  
telephone [REDACTED]

Transmit attached by Facsimile - PLAINTEXT FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

Priority Nitel

NOV 21 1975

To: SAC, Los Angeles  
From: Director, FBI 62-150  
Subject: ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY DALLAS, TEXAS 11/22/63

TELETYPE

Date: 11/21/75

Time: Transmitted - 7:10

Initials -

- Fingerprint Photo
- Fingerprint Record
- Map
- Newspaper clipping
- Photograph

Artists Conception

Other 11/12/75 telegram to President Ford.

Special handling instructions: Los Angeles interview [redacted] [redacted] Huntington Beach, California. Submit LHM. FBIHQ files contain no information identifiable with Orton.

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ /M  
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FBI

The White House  
Washington

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TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES

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1 - Mr. [REDACTED]

FROM: DIRECTOR, FBI

ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY, 11/22/63, DALLAS, TEXAS

[REDACTED] (PHONETIC), [REDACTED], SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, CALLED FBIHQ ON NOVEMBER 24, 1975, AND SPOKE WITH HEAVY SPANISH ACCENT. SHE REPORTEDLY IS FROM MEXICO AND HAS BEEN BEATEN UP BY "WELFARE PEOPLE." SHE HAD NO COMPLAINT UNDER FBI JURISDICTION; HOWEVER, MADE STATEMENT "I KNOW WHO KILLED KENNEDY."

SHE FURNISHED TELEPHONE NUMBER [REDACTED] AND REQUESTED TO BE CONTACTED BY AN FBI AGENT.

FBIHQ FILES NEGATIVE RE [REDACTED]

LOS ANGELES INTERVIEW [REDACTED]

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NOTE: Call received by Division 6 Night Supervisor [REDACTED] 7422

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TO : Mr. Gallagher *JTC*

DATE: 11/19/75

FROM : B. H. Cooke *BH*

- 1 - Mr. Callahan
- 1 - Mr. Adams
- 1 - Mr. Jenkins
- 1 - Mr. Gallagher
- 1 - Mr. O'Connell
- 1 - Mr. Cooke
- 1 - Mr. Nettles
- 1 - Mr. Bassett
- 1 - Mr. Moore
- 1 - Mr. Wannall

SUBJECT: ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT  
 JOHN F. KENNEDY,  
 11/22/63;  
 DALLAS, TEXAS

On 11/11/75, an article by staff writer Norman Kempster appeared in the "Washington Star" newspaper concerning the House of Representatives' Judiciary Subcommittee inquiry into the investigation of the assassination of President Kennedy. (Copy of article is attached).

In discussing the letter Lee Harvey Oswald left at the Dallas Office for Special Agent James P. Hosty, Jr., the reporter states "The FBI withheld information about the letter from the Warren Commission. The bureau confirmed reports about the letter only after they appeared in newspapers earlier this year."

The Director asked about this paragraph "What does the reporter refer to here?"

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The reporter apparently assumes that information about the letter was handled by the Bureau according to established procedures, and a decision was made to officially withhold it from the Warren Commission. The internal inquiry into the existence of the letter has not established that this was the case. No evidence has been developed which would indicate an "institutional cover-up."

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Regarding the statement about the Bureau confirming reports about the letter only after they appeared in newspapers, the truth of the matter is that the newspaper reports and the Bureau's confirmation occurred at the same time. The initial newspaper article about the letter, which appeared in the "Dallas Times Herald," also contained the Director's statement regarding the internal inquiry into its existence. FBIHQ had no knowledge of the letter until informed of the allegations regarding it by the representative of the "Dallas Times Herald" in July, 1975. No previous articles had been written about it.

ACTION: For information.

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Warren Data Inquiry

# Panel to Quiz FBI on Oswald

By Norman Kempster

Washington Star Staff Writer

A House subcommittee investigating charges that the FBI withheld evidence from the Warren Commission plans to question agents from the bureau's Dallas office who had dealings with Lee Harvey Oswald prior to the assassination of President John F. Kennedy.

Witnesses to be called by the Judiciary subcommittee to hearings later this month include James P. Hosty Jr., the FBI agent whose name appeared in Oswald's address book, and Gordon Shanklin, the special agent in charge of the Dallas office.

"We think everything should be laid out on the public record before everybody dies," Chairman Don Edwards, D-Calif., said in a telephone interview.

HOSTY HAS declined to discuss the matter in public in recent years even though his name figures in many of the perplexing questions that have been raised since the Warren Commission concluded that Oswald was the lone assassin.

Edwards said the Justice Department has agreed to permit Hosty, now assigned to the Kansas City office, to testify under oath. The chairman said he had been assured that Shanklin, who has since retired, also will appear.

At a session last month that raised far more questions than it answered, the committee was told by James B. Adams, deputy associate FBI director, that Hosty and Shanklin told directly contradictory stories to the bureau's internal investigation into the destruction of a letter Oswald delivered at the Dallas office a few days before the Nov. 22, 1963, assassination.

The FBI withheld information about the letter from the Warren Commission. The bureau confirmed reports about the letter only after they appeared in newspapers earlier this year.

ADAMS SAID Hosty said he destroyed the letter on Shanklin's instructions just two hours after Oswald was pronounced dead Nov. 24. But Adams said Shanklin said he knew nothing of either the receipt or the destruction of the letter.

Edwards said the committee decided that the only way to resolve the conflict was to question under oath Hosty, Shanklin, an office receptionist who saw the letter and others.

Receptionist Mancy M. Fenner said the letter contained a threat to blow up the FBI office and the Dallas police department if Hosty did not stop harassing Oswald's Russian-born wife, Marina. Hosty said the letter urged him to leave Marina alone but contained no threat.

In addition to the Oswald letter, Edwards said the committee plans to ask for additional information about the FBI's handling of Oswald's address book which contained Hosty's name, address and auto license number.

When the FBI originally sent the Warren Commission a memo on the contents of Oswald's address book, the reference to Hosty's name was omitted.

When the commission staff asked about the omission, the late FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover said the original memo had contained only information that might provide leads. Since Hosty was well-known to the bureau, Hoover said, his name did not provide a lead to FBI investigators.

HOWEVER, the original memo did contain large amounts of extraneous information which was of doubtful lead value.

Edwards said of Hoover's explanation, "It isn't a satisfactory answer, of course."

Warren Commission critics who believe Oswald may have been an FBI informant frequently cite the fact that he had Hosty's name in the address book.

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- Washington Star-News A-3
- Daily News (New York) \_\_\_\_\_
- The New York Times \_\_\_\_\_
- The Wall Street Journal \_\_\_\_\_
- The National Observer \_\_\_\_\_
- The Los Angeles Times \_\_\_\_\_

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A private researcher, Paul L. Hoch of Berkeley, Calif. offers circumstantial evidence in an unpublished manuscript that a page of the FBI memo was retyped to remove Hosty's name.

Hoover and FBI agents John T. Kesler and Robert P. Gemberling all swore in affidavits to the Warren Commission that the reference to Hosty was not removed in an effort to mislead the commission.

Kesler prepared the original memo which was later included in a longer memo by Gemberling. Gemberling said the first page of the Kesler memo was retyped to put it on plain paper instead of a memo letterhead to facilitate including it in his memo.

ACCORDING to Hoch, each page of Kesler's 30-page memo is numbered at the bottom except for the first, which Gemberling said was retyped, and page 25, where the Hosty reference would have appeared if the address book had been copied completely. Those two pages were numbered at the top of the page.

In addition, Hoch said, the margin at the bottom of page 25 is larger than the margin at the bottom of other pages in the memo.

Hoover's letter to commission general counsel J. Lee Rankin's questions about the Hosty reference was tart in tone. He insisted that the FBI had always "reported all available and relevant facts" to the commission. He said, "I trust that this letter and the enclosures thereto will satisfy the requirements of the commission."

Recently declassified minutes of the commission's executive sessions indicate that there was some reluctance to argue with the irascible FBI head. Apparently, the question of why Hosty's name was omitted from the original memo was not raised again. Probably the commission felt there was no need to pursue the issue further since the evidence was then in hand.

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TO DIRECTOR (62-109060)  
FROM LOS ANGELES (89-75) (P)

ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY, 11/22/63,  
DALLAS, TEXAS.

*Handwritten initials and scribbles*

PERUTEL TO LOS ANGELES, NOVEMBER 24, 1975.

[REDACTED] INTERVIEWED THIS DATE AT 329 NORTH  
BENWILEY, SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA. SHE IS A FEMALE MEXICAN  
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SANTA MARIA PD RECORDS DISCLOSED A RECORD ON FILE FOR

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AN EMPLOYEE AT THE SANTA MARIA PD ADVISED SHE IS WELL KNOWN TO THE PD AND IS CONSIDERED [MENTALLY UNSTABLE]

LOS ANGELES IS CONDUCTING NO FURTHER INVESTIGATION

RE COMMENT MADE BY [REDACTED]

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HOLD PLS

MA

November 21, 1975

Honorable Nicholas DeB. Katzenbach  
IBM Corporation  
Armonk, New York 10504

Dear Mr. Katzenbach:

I have been informed that you recently called Deputy Attorney General Harold Tyler to express your concern about an article written by John Crewdson in the New York Times concerning taps and/or bugs on Marina Oswald. I understand that you said this article may be unfair to us and certainly it may also have been unfair to you. The fact that you took the time and trouble to inform Judge Tyler is most appreciated, and I am hopeful that this matter will be straightened out in order that we might prevent even further misunderstandings.

Sincerely,

1st / Clarence Kelley

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TO : Director, FBI

DATE: October 31, 1975

FROM : Harold R. Tyler, Jr. *HRT*  
Deputy Attorney General

SUBJECT: New York Times Article, *copy attached*  
October 30, 1975, (page 34) *adm*

Assassination of President John F. Kennedy *for letter to Mr. K.*

On the morning of October 30th, I received a telephone call from Nicholas Katzenbach. Mr. Katzenbach was concerned about the article by John Crewdson in the Times concerning taps and/or bugs of the home or apartment of Marina Oswald. Specifically, according to the Crewdson article, the FBI is said to have made a statement that it had conducted "an electronic surveillance" of Mrs. Oswald's residence for a period in February and March, 1964 "based upon written approval of the Attorney General of the United States."

According to Katzenbach, this article may be erroneous and unfair, both to the FBI and former Attorney General Robert Kennedy. Further, according to Katzenbach, he recalls that the tap was placed on Mrs. Oswald's residence pursuant to a request from Chief Justice Earl Warren. Katzenbach is of the opinion that Mr. Kennedy did not attach the letter which he received from the Chief Justice in order to protect the privacy or reputation of the latter. *MA*

Finally, according to Mr. Katzenbach, it is his recollection that no bug or other form of electronic surveillance of Mrs. Oswald was ever authorized. Indeed, he is inclined to the belief that the FBI did nothing but the phone tap as heretofore described.

cc: The Attorney General

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# Tap on Marina Oswald's Room Reported by Ex-F.B.I. Official

## He Says Warren Commission Was Not Told of Action After Kennedy Death

By JOHN M. CREWDSON  
Special to The New York Times

WASHINGTON, Oct. 29—The Federal Bureau of Investigation tapped the telephones and bugged the living quarters used by Marina Oswald after the assassination of President Kennedy, it failed to report either the fact of the surveillance or its product to investigators for the Warren Commission, according to a former F.B.I. official.

The official, who was closely involved with the investigation conducted by the bureau in the wake of the assassination, said that the electronic surveillance was instituted on the Russian-born Mrs. Oswald shortly after her husband, Lee Harvey Oswald, was identified as the principal suspect in Mr. Kennedy's murder.

The surveillance, the former official said, continued for "some months" after the death of Mr. Kennedy on Nov. 22, 1963, and the killing of Oswald himself two days later by Jack Ruby, a Dallas nightclub operator.

But the former official said that, to the best of his recollection the surveillance never produced any information that apparently bore directly on Oswald's motives or that supported the suspicions held by some F.B.I. officials that he had been involved in a conspiracy against the President's life. It was those suspicions, the former official said that prompted the bureau to initiate its electronic "coverage" of Mrs. Oswald.

The F.B.I. said in a statement this afternoon that it had "conducted an electronic surveillance of Marina Oswald's residence from Feb. 29, 1964, to March 12, 1964, based upon written approval of the Attorney General of the United States."

The Government contended then that in "national security" cases court permission was not required. The late Robert F. Kennedy was Attorney General at that time.

The bureau did not deal with its reported failure to inform the Warren Commission of the eavesdropping effort, and a spokesman said he would be unable to go beyond the statement.

### Not in Testimony

None of the volumes of testimony or evidence published by the Warren Commission contain any hint that commission lawyers were told by the F.B.I. of its surveillance of Mrs. Oswald, which the former official said took place in and around the Dallas area where she and her husband lived.

The former official's assertion was supported by key commission counsel and investigators, who said in telephone interviews that they could not remember having been told that Mrs. Oswald's conversations had been monitored.

David W. Belin, a lawyer from Des Moines, Iowa, who served as an assistant counsel to the commission, said that if the former official's account was accurate, "it strikes me as horrible" that the commission was left uninformed.

His sentiments were shared by Albert E. Jenner Jr., also a former assistant commission counsel and now a Chicago lawyer, who said that whether the surveillance of Mrs. Oswald had come out "positive or negative," the panel should have been allowed to weigh whatever information was gleaned.

The commission, named for Earl Warren, the late Chief Justice who acted as its chairman, was set up by President Johnson within a week of Mr. Kennedy's death with instructions to determine the circumstances that surrounded the assassination.

The commission's report was initially heralded and subsequently defended by most of those who prepared it as a definitive assessment of all of the evidence then in the hands of Federal agencies and others that related in any conceivable way to Mr. Kennedy's death.

The former F.B.I. official's account of the withholding of the wiretap and bugging data on Mrs. Oswald, however, is but the most recent indication that the evidence made available to the commission was less than complete.

Last week, for example, the F.B.I. acknowledged that one of its agents had destroyed, within hours of Oswald's death, an allegedly threatening letter he had received from Oswald less than a month before Mr. Kennedy was shot.

Joseph A. Ball, a third lawyer who served as an assistant counsel to the Warren Commission, said today in a telephone interview from his Long Beach, Calif., office that he, too, was certain he never had been told about the electronic surveillance of Mrs. Oswald.

If he had been, Mr. Ball said, he "would never have permitted" the F.B.I. to use such techniques in its investigation on behalf of the commission.

Mr. Ball added, however, that he did recall having been told that the bureau had bugged the hotel room that Mrs. Oswald occupied on her visit to Washington to testify before the commission.

That bugging was also confirmed by the former official, who said that it had produced nothing apparently related to the investigation at hand.

The bureau denied in its statement this afternoon that it had conducted electronic eavesdropping on Mrs. Oswald at her Washington hotel.

The disclosure that the surveillance of Mrs. Oswald continued at least through February, 1964, the month in which she testified before the commission, raised questions about the locations where the F.B.I. placed bugging devices and tapped the telephones referred to by the former official.

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TO DIRECTOR (67-149063)

FROM LOS ANGELES (79-75) (P)

ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY, 11/22/63,  
DALLAS, TEXAS.

**FBI SAA, LOS ANGELES ADVISED:**

REFUGEE TO LOS ANGELES, NOVEMBER 24, 1975.

NOVEMBER 25, 1975

INTERVIEWED AT

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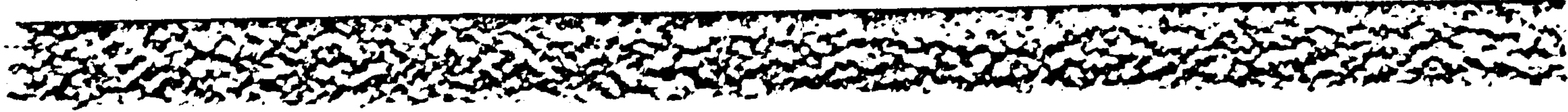
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Mr. Tolson	
Mr. DeLoach	
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Mr. Bishop	
Mr. Casper	
Mr. Callahan	
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[REDACTED] SINCE 1946 SHE HAS HAD 25 ARRESTS FOR DISTURBING THE PEACE, PUBLIC DRUNKENNESS AND PROSTITUTION. HER LAST ARREST WAS ON MAY 24, 1975, BY THE [REDACTED] COUNTY SO FOR THE BURNING OF A BARN.

AN EMPLOYEE AT THE SANTA MARIA PD ADVISED SHE IS WELL KNOWN TO THE PD AND IS CONSIDERED MENTALLY UNSTABLE.

~~NO OFFICE~~ <sup>AFBI</sup> IS CONDUCTING NO FURTHER INVESTIGATION

RE COMMENT MADE BY [REDACTED]

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Enclosed for the Bureau is one copy each of two newspaper clippings described as follows:

Fort Worth Star-Telegram, Fort Worth, Texas, 6/22/75, captioned, "Oswald Grave Draws Curious";

The Dallas Times Herald, Dallas, Texas, 6/27/75, captioned "Officer Wins Oswald's Suit".

The above clippings are for the information of the Bureau.

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Visitors increase with time

Oswald grave draws

CURIOUS

By LES THOMAS

Plot 259 at Rose Hill Burial Park always has been a magnet for the curious. But these days more people than usual are traveling the winding cemetery road to stare at the flat granite tombstone.

"I guess it's the conspiracy theories," says cemetery office worker Mrs. Shirley Mullen. "We've had a lot more visitors.

"Sometimes it's three or four a day."

Groundskeepers have grown so accustomed to giving directions, when a car stops they almost start pointing before the question is asked.

Some people go a long way to get there.

"One man called from Connecticut earlier this year," says Rose Hill office manager Mrs. Floy Stetson, "and asked if this was the cemetery where Lee Harvey Oswald was buried.

"He flew out here just to see and had a taxi bring him right to the gate."

Curiosity is what lures most of the visitors.

"I just wanted to show my father," a Fort Worth man viewing Oswald's grave told a reporter "He's from out of town."

THE PUBLIC HASN'T forgotten Kennedy's accused assassin, but time apparently has tempered some of its hatred for him.

"I was showing some people some grave spaces the other day," says cemetery manager Larry Mullen, "and I told them it was near Oswald's grave.

"They just said, 'Oh.' It didn't bother them."

Mullen said a former cemetery employe recently bought two grave sites adjacent to the four-space plot where Oswald is buried.

"He said he wanted to be nearby so when people came to see Oswald, they'd be seeing him too."

Despite the sale, Mullen said he has had no takers.

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

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3A Star-Telegram  
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~~for~~ four remaining \$200 grave spaces that adjoin the Oswald grave.

After 11 years though it seems that most of the public outcry over Oswald's burial at the Fort Worth cemetery has ebbed. Retired Col. Eugene Seltzer, a trustee and half owner of the cemetery who died last week, was a prime target of the original fury.

"He had to move out of his house and into a hotel for two days because of the phone calls. People called from all over the country threatening him," recalls Mrs. Stateson.

Oswald's mother bought the four-space plot two years before Oswald was killed by Jack Ruby.

"Mr. Seltzer just took the position that he had the right to be buried here," said Mrs. Stateson.

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**THE NEW WAVE OF** speculation and theories about the assassination probably has had much to do with the increase in visitors to Oswald's grave. All three office workers at the cemetery believe there is credibility to the theories.

"I have never agreed with the Warren Commission since the day Ruby shot Oswald," said Mrs. Stateson.

"Oswald knew too much. That's what I think. The people should know more about it than they do."

Mullen and his wife also doubt that all the facts are known. "I have doubts about whether he (Oswald) was the only one involved," Mullen said.

There is probably a lot of psychological raw material for the popularity of the new speculation.

To most Americans, the Kennedy assassination was a frightening, unfathomable act. How, they wondered, could one man send the world topsy turvy?

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But if the new visitors to the East Fort Worth graveyard are looking for new enlightening clues and reasons, they are likely to be disappointed.

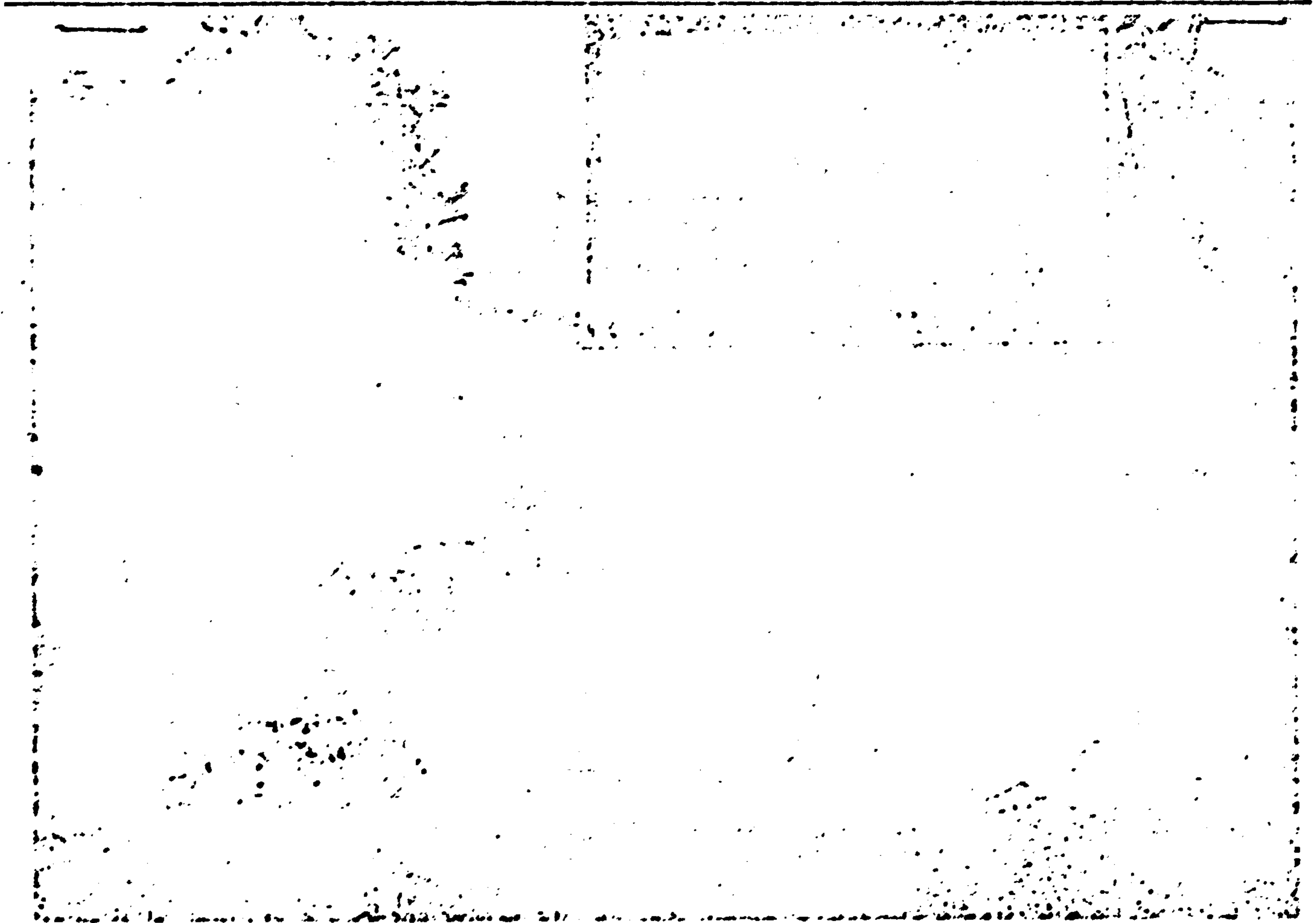
Oswald gave little information in life. He yields

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even less in death. His brown granite tombstone, stingy with its details, seems symbolic of the enigma. No dates. Not even a first name.

Just "Oswald."

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—Star-Telegram Photo

**BURIAL SITE**—Plot 259 at Rose Hill Burial Park on the East Side, still is an attraction to the cu-

rious. It contains the grave, arrow, of Lee Harvey Oswald, marked by a simple, flat headstone, inset.

# Officer wins Oswald suit

By PUTH EYRE  
Staff Writer

A movie depicting a criminal conspiracy to murder Lee Harvey Oswald—"Executive Action"—has resulted in the awarding of a \$750,000 default libel judgment to a Dallas police officer.

But the co-author of the movie's screenplay, Mark Lane, asked a Dallas federal judge Thursday to set aside the judgment entered against him.

The libel suit was filed by officer Roy Vaughn, who claims the movie depicts him as a policeman who knowingly allowed Jack Ruby into the police station to shoot Oswald.

Vaughn charged the movie impeached his honesty, integrity and reputation as a police officer.

Certain scenes depict Vaughn as a participant in the criminal conspiracy, Vaughn's suit alleged. And he was identified by name in informational pamphlets handed out to moviegoers, he charged.

Lane filed a \$25,000 counter-claim against the police officer alleging the suit constituted a "false and groundless" claim which caused him embarrassment.

Vaughn filed the \$1 million libel suit against Lane and National General Pictures Corp. in Dallas federal court last year.

Vaughn dropped the suit against the film company. But he requested a \$750,000 default judgment against Lane when the writer failed to appear for trial in May.

U.S. Dist. Judge Robert W. Porter granted the default judgment June 16.

Lane contends he understood that Vaughn's settlement of claims with other defendants would result in dismissal of the action against him.

The co-author, who is also an attorney, claims he has a meritorious defense and that the judgment should be set aside or he should be granted a new trial.

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

"The Dallas Times Herald"  
Dallas, Texas

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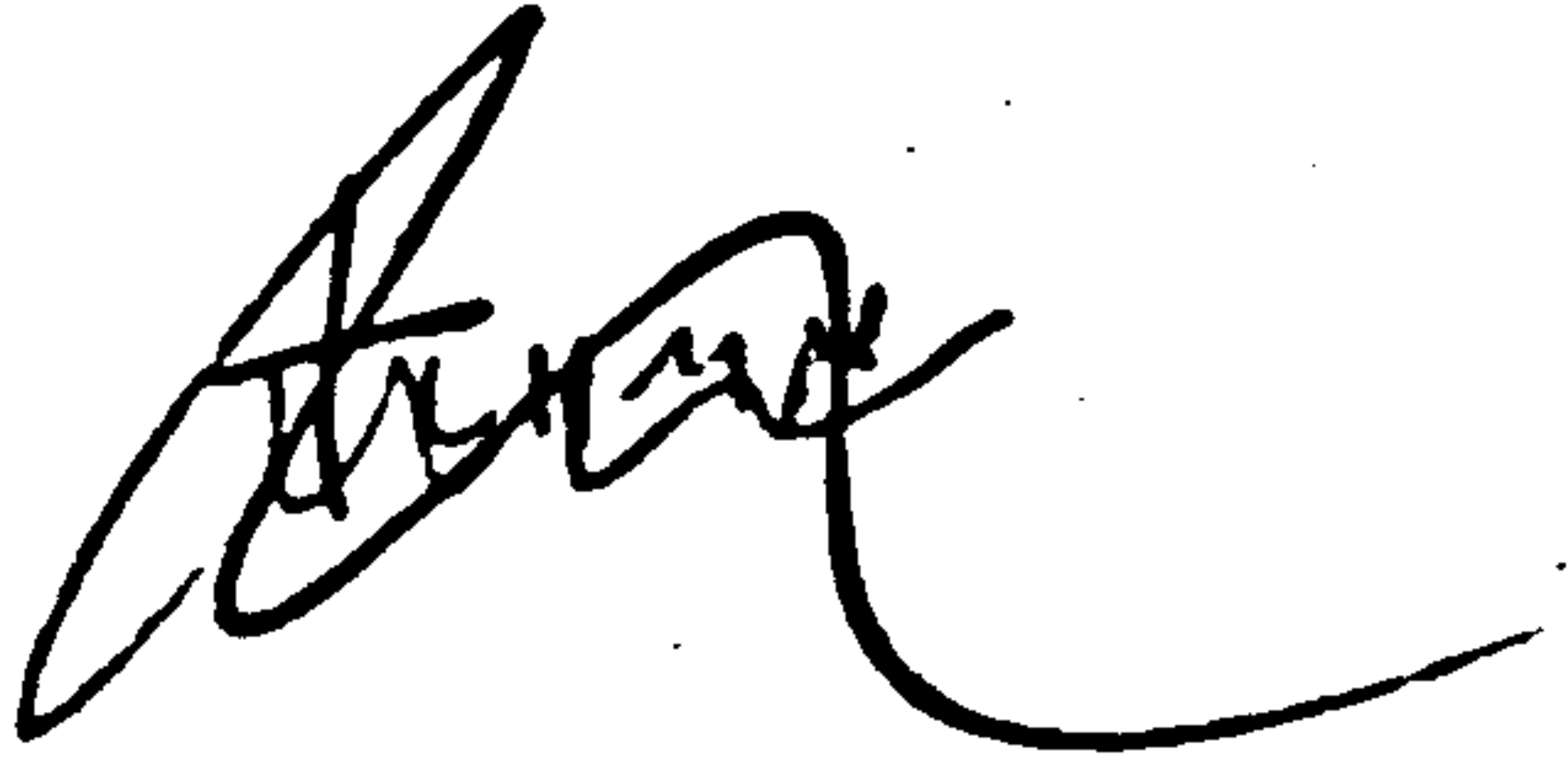
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Re Bureau teletype 11/21/75.

Forwarded to the Bureau are six (6) copies of a Letterhead Memorandum (LHM) concerning interview of [redacted], age 13, Huntington Beach, California, on 11/24/75.

Investigation in enclosed LHM was conducted by SA [redacted]

No further investigation being conducted due to age of [redacted]

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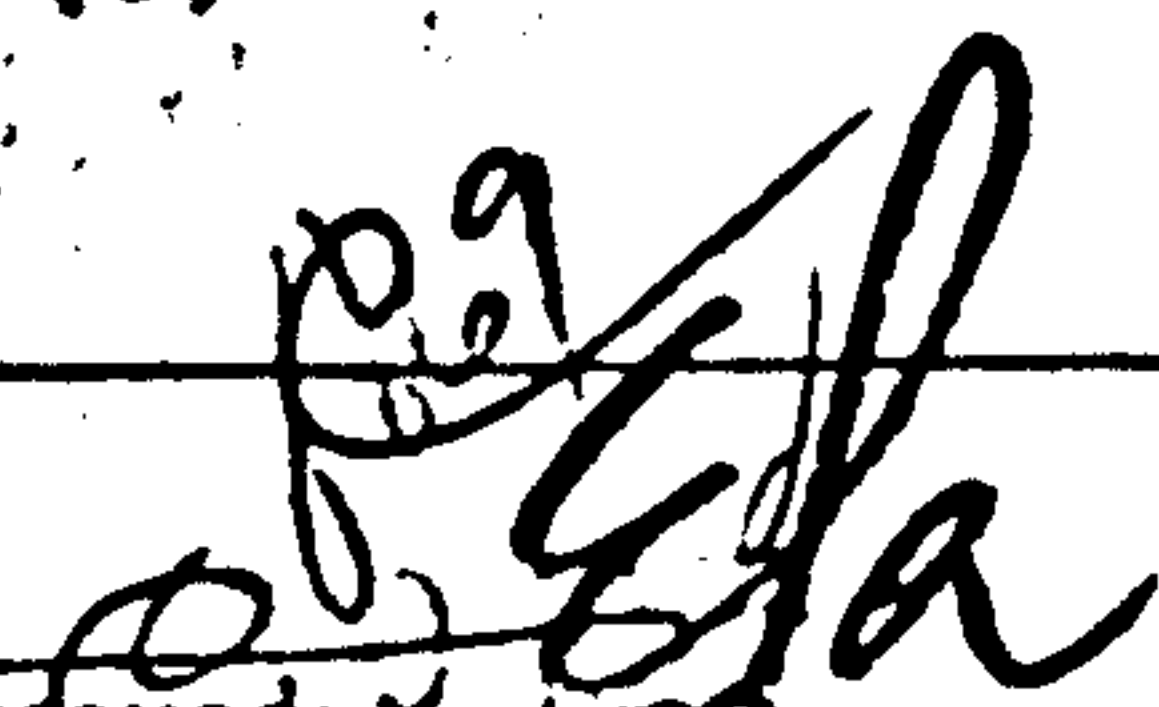
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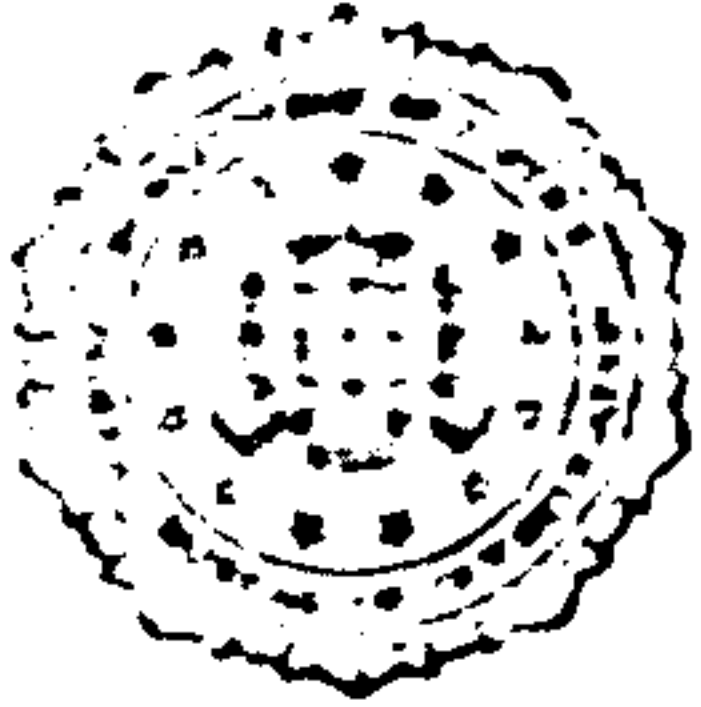
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November 25, 1975

In Reply, Please Refer to  
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ASSASSINATION OF  
PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY  
DALLAS, TEXAS  
November 22, 1963

Re: [REDACTED]

Huntington Beach, California

[REDACTED], born May 20, 1962, Albany, New York, was interviewed in the presence of his mother, [REDACTED], at their residence in Huntington Beach, California, on November 24, 1975. Mrs. [REDACTED] stated that her son, [REDACTED] is a mentally gifted child and spends the majority of his time researching news items that appear in local newspapers. In connection with the assassination of President John F. Kennedy, [REDACTED] went to local libraries, newspapers and other places where he could locate information concerning the assassination and then compiled many pages of notes. These notes he has forwarded to the White House over the past four or five months with explanations concerning his idea of who assassinated President Kennedy. 4/152

[REDACTED] stated that he meant no harm by sending the telegram to President Ford on November 12, 1975, but only directed it because he was mad when he did not receive any answers to his notes that he forwarded to the White House. [REDACTED] stated that in reality, he had no additional information concerning the assassination other than that information he located in public records.

Mrs. [REDACTED] stated that in addition to sending these notes to President Ford, her son has also contacted numerous public officials and has attempted to discuss with them his future, such as being a general in the Marine Corps, being an astronaut and eventually becoming president of the United States. Mrs. [REDACTED] stated that she believes

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November 22, 1963

this is nothing more than fancy on the part of her son  
and she will do everything possible to keep him from  
sending any further telegrams or letters to President  
Ford.