

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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TO : Mr. Conrad *JC*

DATE: April 22, 1964

FROM : W. D. Griffith *W.D.G.*

SUBJECT: ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY
REQUEST OF THE PRESIDENT'S COMMISSION

At the request of the President's Commission, Inspector J. R. Malley of the General Investigative Division, Inspector L. J. Gauthier of the Administrative Division and Special Agent Lyndal L. Shaneyfelt of the Laboratory on 4/21/64 were at the Commission for a review of the Zapruder film of the assassination. Purpose of this review was to determine from Governor and Mrs. John Connally, who were present, whether or not it could be established at what point in the film the Governor was shot. The following individuals were also present:

Dr. Gregory and Dr. Shaw who examined Governor Connally at Parkland Hospital in Dallas

Dr. F. V. Light, Jr., and Dr. A. G. Olivier from the Wound Assessment and Wound Ballistics Department of Edgewood Arsenal

Dr. Joseph Dolce, consultant to the Biophysics Division, of Edgewood Arsenal

It is noted that representatives of the Secret Service who have attended past reviews were not present.

The principal fact brought out by the Governor and Mrs. Connally was their selection of a portion of the film where "he has been hit"; however, they could not pin point the exact frame of the motion picture film where the bullet struck. The portion of the sequence they selected is only one-fourth to one-half second after the approximate point where the President

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- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. Rosen (Mr. Malley Room 5710)
- 1 - Mr. Sullivan (Mr. Lenihan Room 645 RB)
- 1 - Mr. Mohr (Mr. Gauthier Room 331 OPO)

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Memo to Mr. Conrad
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was believed to have been shot at the base of the neck. Allowing for variations in reaction times, this lends support to the theory that one bullet passed through the President's neck, the Governor's chest, hit in the Governor's leg and lodged in his clothing.

Both the Governor and Mrs. Connally stated that they heard the first shot and the second shot was the one that hit the Governor, however, neither of them saw the President between the first and third shots or can state that the President was actually hit by the first shot.

RECOMMENDATION: None. For information only.

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1 - Mr. Belmont
1 - Mr. Rosen
1 - Mr. Sullivan
1 - Mr. Malley, Room 5710

1 - Mr. Conrad
1 - Mr. Griffith
1 - Mr. Shaneyfelt

April 24, 1964

By Courier Service

Honorable J. Lee Rankin
General Counsel
The President's Commission
200 Maryland Avenue, Northeast
Washington, D. C.

*Accumulation of
President's Papers
- Kennedy*

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Dear Mr. Rankin:

At the request of the Commission, evidence item numbers D33, B3, D145 and D145A, were delivered to Mr. Melvin Eisenberg on April 22, 1964.

Sincerely yours,
J. Edgar Hoover

NOTE: This request was made to SA Lyndal Shaneyfelt on April 21, 1964, during a conference preparatory to testimony. The items delivered are described as follows:

- D33 Two photographs showing Oswald holding the rifle
- B3 Negative of one of the photographs in item D33
- D145 Oswald's twin lens Duo Reflex camera
- D145A A negative exposed in the D145 camera by SA Shaneyfelt

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Memorandum

TO : Mr. Belmont

DATE: April 14, 1964

FROM : A. Rosen

SUBJECT: LEE HARVEY OSWALD
INTERNAL SECURITY - RUSSIA - CUBA

Memorandum Rosen to Belmont dated April 4, 1964, set forth information concerning the contact with Mr. Rankin, stating that Mr. Rankin would personally see to it that no exhibits were made available to the Bureau for safekeeping unless there was a very special reason.

The Director stated that the agency preparing the exhibits should act as custodian.

Malley again discussed this matter with Mr. Rankin on April 13, 1964, the first occasion he was available for interview. Rankin advised that henceforth the Bureau would not be requested to maintain any exhibits unless the exhibits were items that had previously been in the possession of the Bureau.

ACTION:

The matter of the Commission requesting the Bureau to maintain custody of exhibits will be very closely followed and you will be advised of any request that is received which is not in accordance with the foregoing.

1 - Mr. Conrad

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (62-109060)

DATE: 4/10/64

FROM : *JR* LEGAT, MEXICO CITY (89-6) (RUC) 

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

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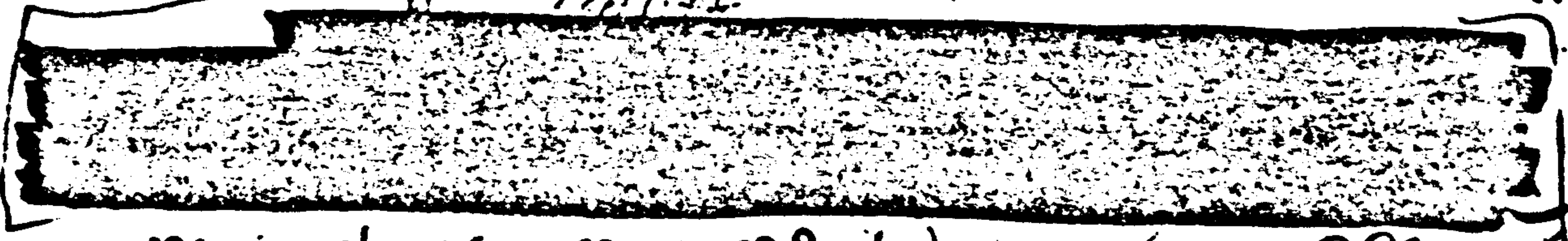
Enclosed are 37 copies of a letterhead memorandum dated and captioned as above, of which 25 copies are for the Dallas Office, one copy for the Detroit Office, and one copy for the New York Office.

REFERENCES:

Mexico City letter dated 3/11/64, entitled "REVA FRANK BERNSTEIN, SM - C" (Bufile 100-343413, DE file 100-1817, MC file 100-2363) and "JOSEPH BERNSTEIN, SM - C" (Bufile 100-58623, DE file 100-1817, MC file 100-2367); Dallas airtel to Bureau dated 3/19/64, with triple caption of instant case; "LEE HARVEY OSWALD, aka, IS - R - CUBA" (Bufile 105-82555, DL file 100-10461); and "JACK L. RUBY, aka; LEE HARVEY OSWALD, aka (deceased) - VICTIM, CIVIL RIGHTS" (Bufile 44-24016, DL file 44-1539); concerning reporting procedures to be followed; Bureau cable #20, dated 4/1/64; and Mexico City cable #523, dated 4/3/64.

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That cable requested that [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] be pinned down regarding specifics. These informants were recontacted on 4/2/64 and furnished the additional details set forth in the enclosure. These informants have explained that, inasmuch as REVA FRANK BERNSTEIN [Bufile 100-343413, MC file 100-2363] and JOSEPH BERNSTEIN [Bufile 100-68623, MC file 100-2367] are not presently in the [Mexico] Area, further details are unavailable. Also, as is pointed out in the enclosure about [REVA FRANK BERNSTEIN], the informants advised that the BERNSTEINS, as well as ELIZABETH CATLETT MORA [Bufile 100-395934, MC file 100-939], are not individuals who will answer direct questions and, when questioned directly, they are known to terminate the discussion.

With regard to documentation in the enclosure on GEORGE WILLIAM CROCKETT, JR. [Bufile 100-367743, MC file 100-1820], it is noted that the Mexico City file is incomplete on this and that the Bureau has access to proper documentation.

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SOURCES:

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The second source is [REDACTED]

The third source is [REDACTED] (Address of ELF)

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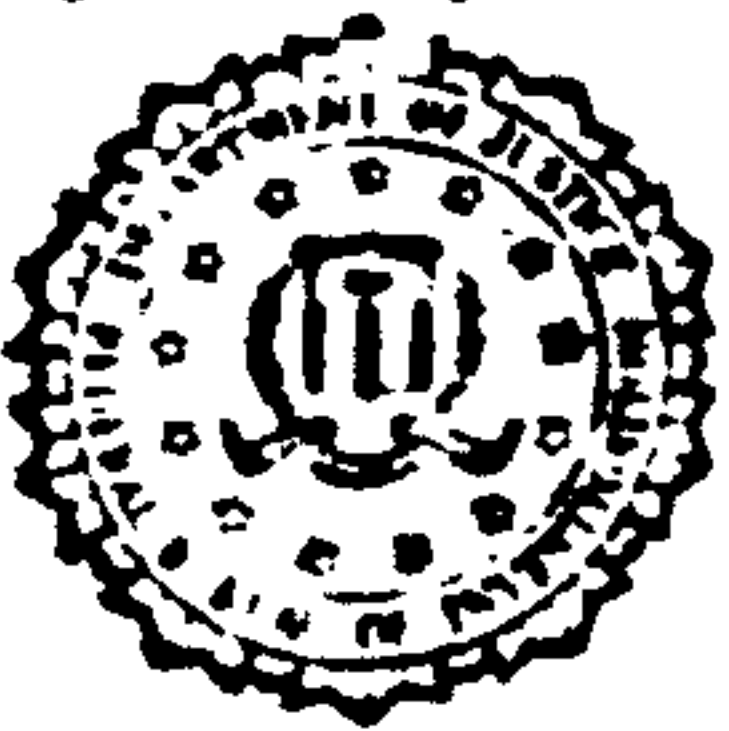
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Twenty-five copies of the enclosed letterhead memorandum are being designated for Dallas, the domestic office of origin, according to instructions set forth in referenced Dallas airtel. U

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Inasmuch as the Detroit and New York Offices are being furnished additional instructions by the Bureau, one copy of the enclosed letterhead memorandum is being furnished for the information of each of these offices. U

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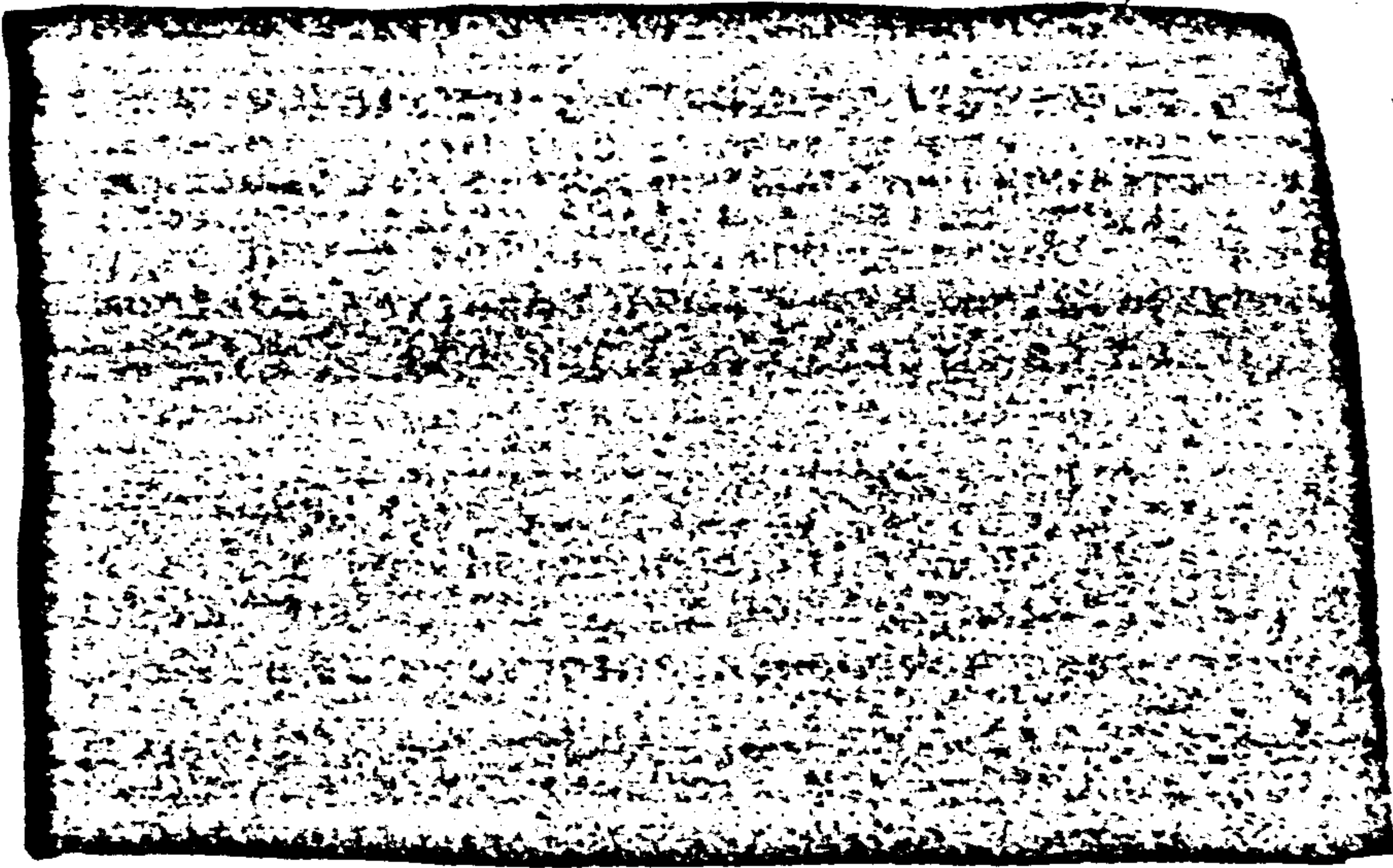
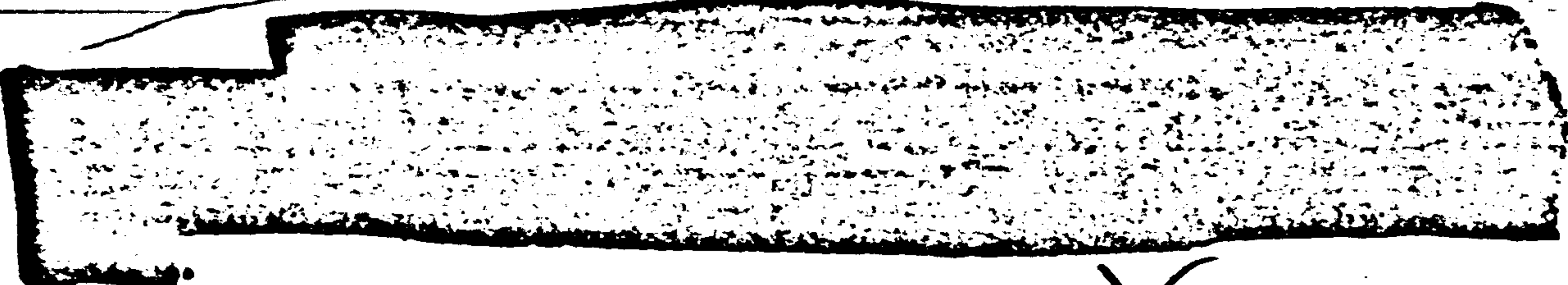
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April 10, 1964



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

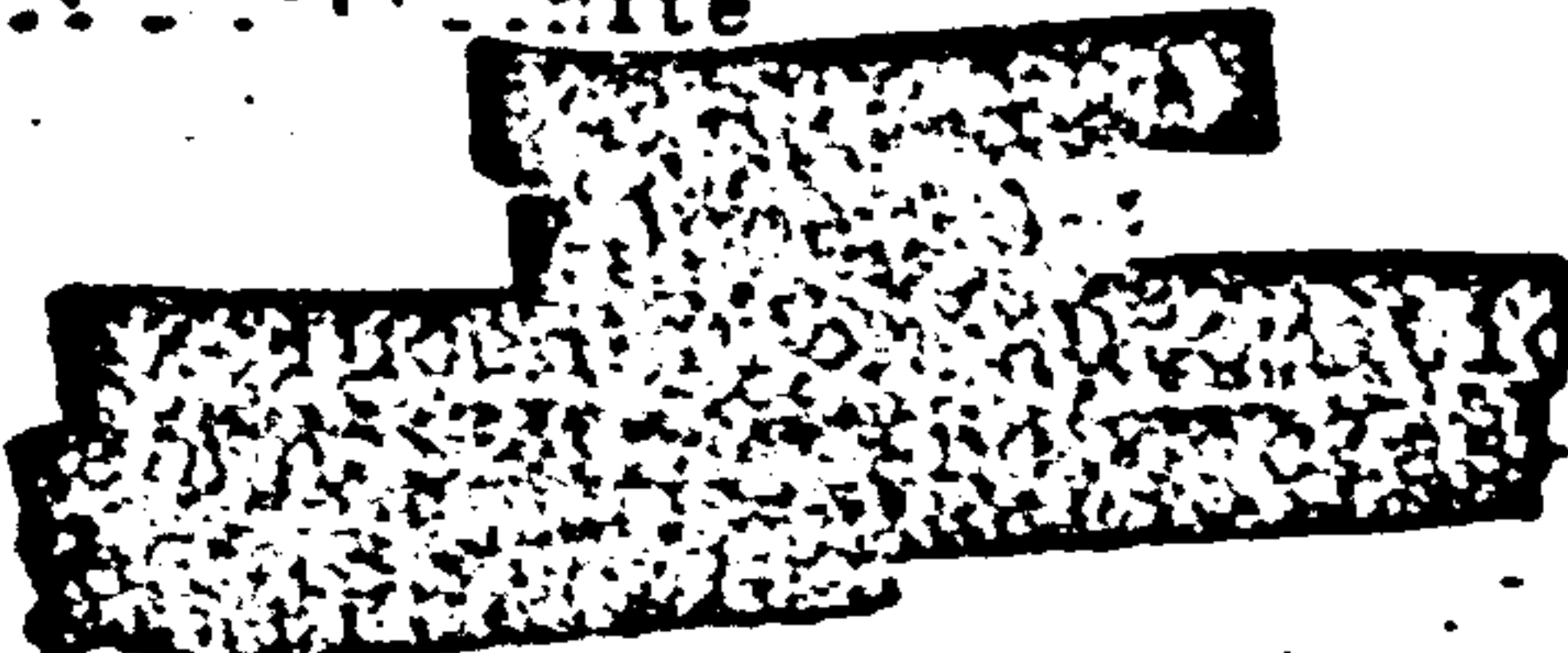


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The April 6, 1960, edition of "The New York Times" newspaper contained a full-page advertisement captioned, "What is Really Happening in Cuba," placed by the FPCC. This advertisement announced the formation of the FPCC in New York, New York, and declared the FPCC intended to promulgate "the truth about revolutionary" Cuba to neutralize the distorted American press.

"The New York Times" edition of January 11, 1961, reported that at a hearing conducted before the United States Internal Security Subcommittee on January 10, 1961, Dr. CHARLES A. SANTOS-BUCH identified himself and ROBERT TABER as organizers of the FPCC. He also testified that he and TABER obtained funds from the Cuban Government which were applied toward the cost of the afore-mentioned advertisement.

On May 16, 1963, a second source advised that during the first two years of the FPCC's existence there was a struggle between the Communist Party (CP) and the Socialist Workers Party (SWP) elements to exert their power within the FPCC and thereby influence FPCC policy. However, during the past year this source observed there has been a successful effort by FPCC leadership to minimize the role of these and other organizations in the FPCC so that today their influence is negligible.

On May 30, 1963, a third source advised that the national headquarters of the FPCC is located in Room 329 at 799 Broadway,

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New York, New York. According to this source, the position of the National Office Director was created in the fall of 1962 and was filled by VINCENT "TED" LEE, who now formulates FPCC policy. This source observed that LEE has followed a course of entertaining and accepting the cooperation of many other organizations, including the CP and the SWP, when he had felt it would be to his personal benefit as well as the FPCC's. LEE has indicated to this source that he has no intention of permitting FPCC policy to be determined by any other organization. LEE feels that the FPCC should advocate resumption of diplomatic relations between Cuba and the United States and support the right of Cubans to manage their revolution without interference from other nations but not support the Cuban revolution per se.

The CP and the SWP have been designated pursuant to Executive Order No. 10450.

The first source furnished the following additional information:

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Source has advised that since 1958, GEORGE
WILLIAM CROCKETT, JR., a Negro attorney

[REDACTED]

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from Detroit, Michigan, has been known to travel to Mexico, D. F., Mexico. While in Mexico, he has claimed to have defended members of the CPUSA on trial in the United States and claimed to have been cited for contempt of court during one trial and as a result served a prison sentence. While in Mexico, GEORGE WILLIAM CROCKETT, JR., has been known to contact various associates of the ACGM, including ELIZABETH CATLETT MORA.

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She mentioned that "all the people of the Fair Play for Cuba Committee" had lawyers standing by to counsel them if they were called in for interrogation by any United States agencies.

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CHARLES SMALL, true name CHARLES NELSON

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CHARLES NELSON

SMOLIKOFF, who was born in Brooklyn, New York, on March 16, 1911, is a United States citizen who resides in Mexico, D. F. He resided in Miami, Florida, from 1939 to October, 1954, when he moved to Mexico. Source advised that SMALL was reported to be a prominent member of the CPUSA in the Miami, Florida, area before his arrival in Mexico in 1954. CHARLES SMALL has been identified by source as being one of the most prominent associates of the ACGM.

Source had no background information concerning EVE NIDERMAN, but has advised that LINI DE VRIES, a naturalized Mexican citizen of American origin who operates a boarding house in Cuernavaca, State of Morelos, Mexico, is an associate of the ACGM.

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Date: 4/23/64

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

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

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

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Re Bureau 0-1 form 4/20/64 requesting information as to status of investigation as concerns interview with PEARL AUTRY, ET AL.

AUTRY PEARL (not PEARL AUTRY) was interviewed at Baton Rouge, La., 3/19/64 and copies of FD-302's for inclusion in report submitted to Dallas. For information of the Bureau PEARL could only recall that the individual referred to by GEORGE COLTON while under the influence of several beers stated he was a brother of LEE HARVEY OSWALD. PEARL later heard the man say something to the effect that "he could have done the job himself" and assumed the man was referring to the assassination of President KENNEDY. PEARL did not recall any mention of Cuba or CASTRO and recalled no other statements which could be related to the assassination of President KENNEDY.

Investigation developed that the piano player referred to by COLTON, EUGENE E. NELSON, is now at New Iberia, La. where he was interviewed on 4/3/64. He was unable to add anything of value and copies of this FD-302 were forwarded to Dallas for inclusion in report.

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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (105-82555)

FROM: SAC, DALLAS (100-10461) (P)

RE: LEE HARVEY OSWALD, aka. *Assassination of President John F. Kennedy*
IS - R - CUBA

Re Bureau airtel to Dallas, 4/13/64, requesting contact be made with JOSEPH P. GRINNAN to determine the source of the funds used to pay for the advertisement which appeared in "The Dallas Morning News" on November 22, 1963; and, Dallas airtel to Bureau, 4/22/64.

Enclosed herewith are 10 copies of a letterhead memorandum reflecting information obtained from JOSEPH P. GRINNAN identifying individuals he states contributed funds for the payment of the full-page advertisement appearing in "The Dallas Morning News" on November 22, 1963, signed by the American Fact-Finding Committee, BERNARD WEISSMAN, Chairman.

The interview with Mr. GRINNAN on April 20, 1964, was conducted by SA's EDWIN D. KUYKENDALL and W. HARLAN BROWN. All other interviews reflected in the letterhead memorandum were conducted by SA W. HARLAN BROWN.

No interviews with the individuals identified by Mr. GRINNAN are being conducted, JAC.

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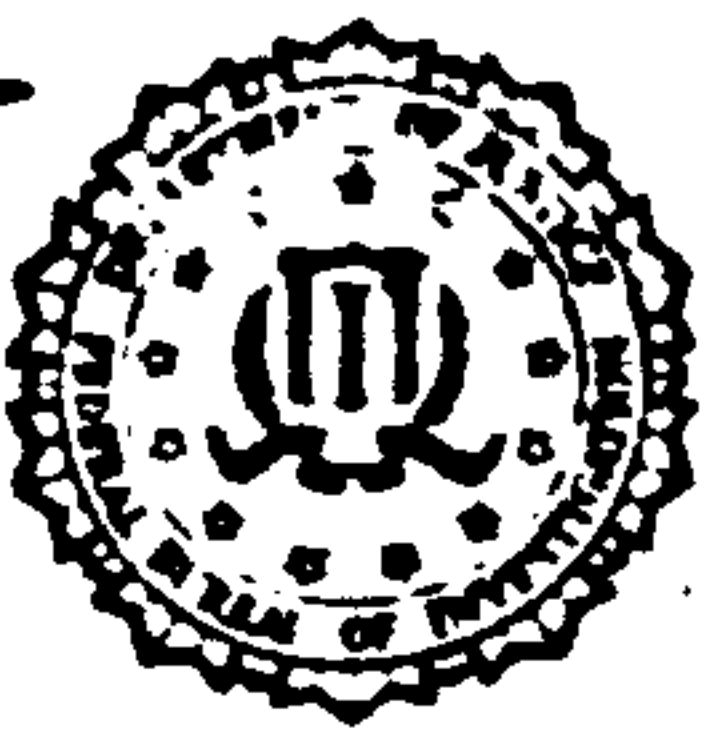
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Dallas, Texas
April 24, 1964

LEE HARVEY OSWALD

The President's Commission, by letter dated April 7, 1964, requested investigation be conducted to determine the source of the funds used to pay for an advertisement appearing in "The Dallas Morning News" on November 22, 1963. Certain information concerning this advertisement appears on pages 684 to 721 of the report of Special Agent ROBERT P. GEMBERLING dated December 10, 1963, at Dallas, Texas.

On April 20, 1964, Mr. JOSEPH P. GRINNAN, 811 Wilson Building, who resides at 4640 Southern, Dallas, Texas, and is employed as an independent oil operator, advised he had solicited funds which had been used to pay for the advertisement which appeared in "The Dallas Morning News", on November 22, 1963. This full-page advertisement was signed by the American Fact-Finding Committee, BERNARD WEISSMAN, Chairman. GRINNAN said he could think of four individuals who contributed somewhere around \$1,500.00, "give or take a hundred", which was used to pay for the advertisement in "The Dallas Morning News".

He said that he had become acquainted with LARRIE SCHMIDT, a friend of BERNARD WEISSMAN, at a meeting of an organization called the "Young Americans for Freedom". He said LARRIE SCHMIDT and BERNARD WEISSMAN were soldier friends, having served in the Army together, and through LARRIE SCHMIDT he became acquainted with BERNARD WEISSMAN. LARRIE SCHMIDT wanted to protest the visit of President KENNEDY to Dallas on November 22, 1963, in a dignified way; therefore, they got together and LARRIE SCHMIDT wrote the advertisement with some suggestions by GRINNAN. GRINNAN stated he did not write out anything when the advertisement was being written. He said the four contributors for the advertisement read the advertisement before publication.

GRINNAN stated that the American Fact-Finding Committee was a paper name only and that no organization

Re: LEE HARVEY OSWALD

sponsored this advertisement, other than the American Fact-Finding Committee, which name they made up. He said that if anyone composed the American Fact-Finding Committee it was himself, LARRIE SCHMIDT, and a fellow named BILL from Baltimore, Maryland, who was a friend of LARRIE SCHMIDT and BERNARD WEISSMAN. He said he was pretty sure that BERNARD WEISSMAN took the advertisement to "The Dallas Morning News" and made arrangements for its publication. He said they intended no personal harm to come to the President.

Regarding the source of the funds to pay for the advertisement, he said he was reluctant to give the names of the contributors, because he did not want to hurt anyone. He said he desired to contact these contributors, who in turn may have solicited funds from other sources, prior to making these names available.

He was told that the President's Commission on the Assassination of President KENNEDY had specifically requested he be interviewed to determine the source of the funds used to pay for "The Dallas Morning News" advertisement. He stated he would contact the contributors to determine if they had any objection to the release of their names, and would call the interviewing Agents on April 21, 1964.

On April 22, 1964, JOSEPH P. GRINNAN advised by telephone that he had not contacted all the contributors to "The Dallas Morning News" advertisement on November 22, 1963, consisting of a full page signed by American Fact-Finding Committee, BERNARD WEISSMAN, Chairman, but would do so and would advise of the outcome of his contacts on April 23, 1964.

On April 23, 1964, at 3:15 P.M., Mr. JOSEPH P. GRINNAN advised by telephone that he did not desire to be interviewed on April 23, 1964, because he wanted to consult with his lawyer, Doctor ROBERT MORRIS, who is currently in the race for the Republican nomination for the United States Senate. He said Doctor MORRIS was believed to be in Amarillo, Texas, and would be in Dallas on April 24, 1964. He said that after consulting with Doctor MORRIS he would contact the Dallas Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Re: LEE HARVEY OSWALD

On April 24, 1964, at 1:11 P.M., Mr. JOSEPH P. GRINNAN was contacted by telephone and advised that he was still waiting to hear from Doctor ROBERT MORRIS regarding information concerning the source of funds for "The Dallas Morning News" advertisement on which he had previously been contacted. Mr. GRINNAN advised he would call the Dallas Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation on April 24, 1964, after he had made contact with his attorney, Doctor MORRIS.

On April 24, 1964, at 3:35 P.M., Mr. JOSEPH P. GRINNAN telephoned the Dallas Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation and stated he wanted to give the information concerning the funds for "The Dallas Morning News" advertisement which had previously been requested of him. Mr. GRINNAN stated he preferred to give the information on the telephone at that time.

Mr. GRINNAN stated that the reason the full-page advertisement was placed in "The Dallas Morning News" on November 22, 1963, signed by the American Fact-Finding Committee, BERNARD WEISSMAN, Chairman, was because he and the other individuals responsible for this advertisement considered it a dignified way of protesting the policies of President JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY, with due respect to the office of the President. Mr. GRINNAN stated the contributors to the fund which was used in payment of "The Dallas Morning News" advertisement were as follows:

H. R. BRIGHT, an independent oil operator with offices in the Mercantile Commerce Building, Dallas, Texas

EDGAR CRISSEY, an insurance man with offices in the Fidelity Union Life Building, Dallas, Texas, who resides at 3320 Villanova Street, Dallas, Texas

NELSON BUNKER HUNT, an independent oil man with offices in the Mercantile Securities Building, Dallas, Texas, who is the son of H. L. HUNT, a well-known Dallas oil man.

Re: LEE HARVEY OSWALD

All of the aforementioned persons reside in Dallas, Texas, and Mr. GRINNAN advised that Doctor ROBERT MORRIS, his attorney, was at that time present while Mr. GRINNAN was furnishing the above information.

Mr. GRINNAN stated he did not know the amounts each of the contributors gave to the fund, but felt that they had solicited funds from others for the purpose of paying for the advertisement. He stated that at first, he thought he (GRINNAN) had been a contributor to the fund, but had determined, upon checking, that he had not contributed anything toward the fund used for the payment of the advertisement in the newspaper.

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Date: 4/15/64

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (62-109060)

FROM: SAC, DALLAS (100-10461) (P)

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

Enclosed herewith are ten copies of a letterhead memorandum reflecting a contact by Mrs. SHIRLEY MARTIN, aka. Mrs. MARK E. MARTIN, of Hominy, Oklahoma, via telephone with SA BARDWELL D. ODUM of the Dallas FBI Office on April 11, 1964.

The Bureau has previously furnished the President's Commission background information concerning Mrs. MARTIN.

One copy of this letterhead memorandum is being furnished the Oklahoma City Office in view of the fact Mrs. MARTIN resides at Hominy, Oklahoma, and the information contained in the enclosed letterhead memorandum is being furnished the Bureau for possible dissemination to the President's Commission.

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- 1 - Oklahoma City (105-783) (Enc. 1) (Info.)
- 2 - Dallas

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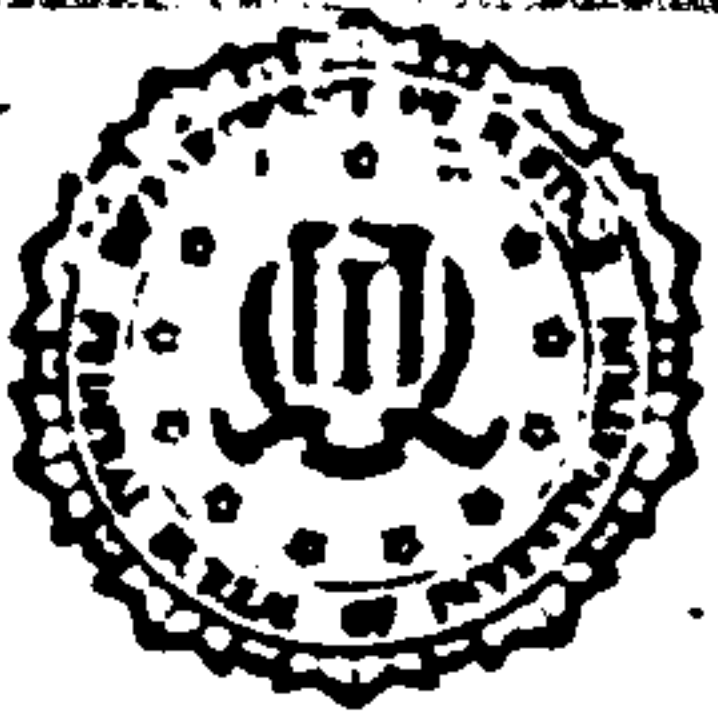
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In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Dallas, Texas
April 15, 1964

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

The following supplements information previously submitted relating to Mrs. SHIRLEY MARTIN, also known as Mrs. MARK E. MARTIN of Hominy, Oklahoma.

On April 11, 1964, a woman identifying herself as Mrs. MARK MARTIN of Tulsa, Oklahoma, telephonically contacted the Dallas Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation and stated she was working on a garden club program in connection with which each of the women in the club was to contribute something to the program by finding out what she could about the assassination of President KENNEDY.

Mrs. MARTIN stated that she wanted to ask a question. She was advised that the Federal Bureau of Investigation could furnish her no information. She then stated that the information she sought had appeared in the newspaper. She was told that in this event she should then consult the newspaper. Mrs. MARTIN then stated she did not know in which newspaper in the United States the information she sought had appeared. She was told that she could consult the newspaper morgue files.

Mrs. MARTIN then stated she wanted to know if "the gun" had a serial number on it. She was again advised that the Federal Bureau of Investigation could furnish her no information. She inquired if it were against the law for her to ask

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Re: ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT
JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY,
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for the serial number on the gun. She was asked by a representative of the Federal Bureau of Investigation if she had not been to Dallas, Texas, to conduct her own investigation and she replied that she had been in Dallas and demanded to know if it were against the law for her to conduct her own investigation. Mrs. MARTIN was again advised that the Federal Bureau of Investigation had no comment to make in this regard.

On April 13, 1964, the following copy of a memorandum was received by the Federal Bureau of Investigation at Dallas, Texas, in an envelope postmarked April 11, 1964, at Hominy, Oklahoma, and bearing the return address of Box 566, Hominy, Oklahoma:

"Telephone Conversation with a Member of the
Dallas FBI

"April 11," 1964

"FBI.

Hello. Who is this?

Bard Odum.

B-a-r-d O-d-u-m?

Yes.

This is Mrs. Mark Martin, Tulsa, Oklahoma. I'm doing research on the assassination for a group of ladies and myself and wondered if you could help me?

We have no comment to make, Mrs. Martin.

But you haven't let me say anything.

We have no comment to make.

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"At least tell me something that was released to the press. I haven't the old newspapers on hand to look back on.

We have no comment to make.

But should the FBI deliberately conceal harmless facts from a concerned citizen when that citizen is asking questions of historical interest?

Contact your newspaper and ask them.

I don't know what newspaper to contact. I wanted to know if the rifle had a serial number on it when found?

We have no comment to make. You are not from Tulsa, anyway, Mrs. Martin.

Oh, but I am from the Tulsa area.

Weren't you here in Dallas?

I am often in Dallas.

Weren't you here conducting your own investigation?

I was conducting no official investigation. Is there a law, Mr. Odum, in regard to a concerned citizen investigating historical happenings?

We have no comment to make.

Mr. Odum, is there a law in this country against a concerned citizen investigating historical happenings?

We have no comment to make.

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"Thank you, Mr. Odum.

**Mrs. Mark E. Martin and Children
Hominy, Oklahoma**

**cc: 100 Congress, Warren Commission, Europe, Anzac
Countries, Asia."**

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Shirley Martin of Hominy, Oklahoma, has been characterized as a "bright nut" and is well-known to the Bureau due to the fact she has written numerous offensive and insulting communications to the Bureau. She has been engaged in her own investigation of the assassination. We have furnished the Commission background on Martin including our prior unsatisfactory dealings with her. Martin contacted our Dallas Office telephonically on 4/11/64 from Oklahoma and tried by pretext to "pump" information out of SA Bardwell D. Odum who wouldn't be deceived. She apparently recorded or took notes of the conversation and furnished same to the Dallas Office in a communication which indicated copies sent to Congress, The Commission, etc. This will be furnished to the President's Commission.

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