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TO: Mr. Conrad

DATE: April 24, 1964

FROM: R. H. Jevons

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

*W. D. Griffith*  
*Griffith*

Reference memorandum dated February 26, 1964, captioned as above from W. D. Griffith to Mr. Conrad. This memorandum advised of a continuing project wherein the Bureau has undertaken to furnish the Commission with photographs of all Commission exhibits.

On April 23, 1964, Miss Mary Norton, a Commission employee, called SA Robert A. Frazier and requested that a Bureau representative pick up exhibits as listed on the attached enclosure.

She further requested that the Commission be supplied with three photographs of each exhibit.

As a matter of record, SA Robert E. Neill on 4/24/64, received from Miss Norton the listed items which are now in the Bureau's custody for photographing.

The photography will be handled by an Agent Examiner of the Laboratory's Document Section.

It is noted that none of these items are original evidence items which have been previously furnished the Commission by the Bureau.

**ACTION:** These items will be photographed as requested and will be returned to the Commission along with the photographs.

### Enclosure

- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. Rosen
- 1 - Mr. Sullivan
- 1 - Mr. Malley
- 1 - Mr. Griffith

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Front and back body diagram, marked by Dr. Shaw to show entry and exit wounds on Governor Connally's chest, wrist and thigh.

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Left and right side body diagram, marked by Dr. Shaw, to show angle at which bullet passed through Governor Connally's body.

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Picture showing front view of coat worn by Governor Connally at time of shooting.

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Picture showing back view of coat worn by Governor Connally at time of shooting.

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Picture showing back view of shirt worn by Governor Connally at time of shooting.

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Picture showing front view of shirt worn by Governor Connally at time of shooting.

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Picture showing front view of pants worn by Governor Connally at time of shooting.

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Picture showing back view of pants worn by Governor Connally at time of shooting.

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Diagram of body in sitting position, marked by Dr. Shaw, to show position of Governor Connally at time of the shooting and inclination of bullet to cause all three wounds.

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Photograph of President and Mrs. Kennedy, Governor and Mrs. Connally, Special Agents Kellerman and Greer as positioned in car on day of assassination.

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Picture of President's car as it passed through downtown area of Dallas.

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Overhead shot of Dealey Plaza marked by Governor Connally indicating his estimate of the location of the President's car at the time of the shooting.

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Photograph of Governor Connally's tie.

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At the request of The President's Commission, Special Agent Lyndal L. Shaneyfelt testified before members of the Commission on the morning of April 23, 1964, regarding Laboratory examinations made in this case. He testified from approximately 9:15 A.M. until 10:30 A.M.

SA Shaneyfelt testified on the identification of a negative of one of the photographs of Oswald holding the rifle with a duo lens Imperial Reflex camera recovered during the investigation and reported to be the property of Oswald. He testified that the negative was exposed in Oswald's camera. It should be noted that Marina Oswald has previously testified that she took these two photographs with this camera. SA Shaneyfelt also testified that he had examined the photographs to determine whether or not they were "fake" or composite photographs and stated that he found no evidence that they were composites. It is reported that Oswald, before his death, stated that they were fake photographs and the face was his and had been put on a photograph of the body of some other individual.

Testimony was also given regarding the comparison of the rifle in the photograph of Oswald with the actual rifle and SA Shaneyfelt testified that he compared the rifle with the rifle in the photograph and found them to be the same in all visible characteristics. He found no differences, but found no specific individual characteristics on which to base a positive identification to the exclusion of all other rifles of the same general configuration as to contour of weapon and telescopic sight.

SA Shaneyfelt then testified regarding the reproduction of the photograph of Oswald holding the rifle that appeared on the cover of Life Magazine. He stated that in his opinion this photograph on the cover was the same as the photograph recovered from one of Oswald's residences. However, some retouching had been added to the photograph before making the half tone engraving for the printed picture. He further testified that this is a normal procedure in reproduction of photographs in publications.

RECOMMENDATION: None. For information only.

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- 1 - Mr. Belmont
  - 1 - Mr. Rosen (Malley)
  - 1 - Mr. Sullivan (Lonihan)
- (See Addendum Page 2)

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Memorandum to Mr. Conrad  
Re: Assassination of President Kennedy

ADDENDUM:-- Photographs of the exhibits used at the Commission  
are attached.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM : SAC, PHOENIX (62-new) (C)

SUBJECT: REYES M. BUSTAMANTE  
INFORMATION CONCERNING

DATE: 4/10/64

Mr. Tolson	_____
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Miss Holmes	_____
Miss Gandy	_____

*Assassination of President John F. Kennedy*

By letter dated 3/25/64 JOHN M. MC GOWAN, Administrative Assistant to the Honorable PAUL FANNIN, Governor of the State of Arizona, State House, Phoenix, Arizona, advised that he had received a letter dated 3/23/64 from REYES M. BUSTAMANTE, 224 S. Humphrey, Flagstaff, Arizona. The complete file of the letters in the file of the Governor was obtained on 4/3/64.

There are transmitted herewith two copies of the following items:

1. Letter from REYES M. BUSTAMANTE, 224 S. Humphrey, Flagstaff, Arizona, to Governor FANNIN dated 2/8/64. The envelope was addressed to Governor PAUL FANNIN at the Arizona State Capitol, Phoenix and had the return address of BUSTAMANTE. The postmark was not identifiable. The letter had Certified Mail No. 740598. Copies of the following items written by BUSTAMANTE were enclosed with this letter.
  - a. Letter to Senator BARRY M. GOLDWATER dated 10/19/63.
  - b. Letter to J. EDGAR HOOVER dated 5/12/63.
  - c. Letter to ROBERT S. MC NAMARA dated 10/7/63.
  - d. Letter to Federal Communications Commission dated 4/9/63.

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- e. Letter to ROBERT KENNEDY, U. S. Attorney dated 9/1/53.
  - f. Letter to JOHN F. KENNEDY, President, 5/17/63.
  - g. Letter to President LYNDON B. JOHNSON dated 11/25/63.
2. Letter from Governor PAUL FANNIN to BUSTAMANTE dated 2/11/64.
  3. Letter from BUSTAMANTE to Governor FANNIN dated 3/12/64. The envelope for this letter bore the same return address as his letter of 2/8/64 and was postmarked 3/12/64 at Flagstaff, Arizona. This envelope had Certified Mail No. 132553 with Return Receipt requested.
  4. Letter from Governor FANNIN to BUSTAMANTE, 3/16/64.
  5. Letter to Governor FANNIN from BUSTAMANTE dated 3/23/64. This letter was in an envelope bearing the same return address of BUSTAMANTE in Flagstaff and had Certified Mail No. 132409, Return Receipt requested. This letter enclosed the following:
    - a. Letter to "Mr. ROBERT OSWALD, Dallas, Texas" dated 2/22/64 from BUSTAMANTE.
  6. Letter to the FBI from JOHN M. MC GOWAN dated 3/25/64.

The indices of the Phoenix Office contain no identifiable reference to REYES II. BUSTAMANTE.

On 4/7/64 RALPH HOOKER, 533 N. Hassayampa Drive, Prescott, Arizona, furnished a letter dated 4/4/64 from BUSTAMANTE, same address in Flagstaff, to HOOKER. This letter likewise furnished copies of the enclosures to No. 1 above and also No. 5 and 5a above. This letter also was sent by Certified Mail. Two copies of HOOKER's letter are also being enclosed herewith.



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On 4/7/64 WILLIAM BERRY, Registrar, Veterans Administration Center, Fort Whipple, Arizona, furnished SA DANIEL C. PELTON an envelope containing copies of the enclosures to No. 1 and also a copy of a letter from BUSTAMANTE to Governor JOHN CONNELLY of Texas dated 11/22/63. A note dated 2/20/64 over BUSTAMANTE's name suggested that the copies of the letters be shown to the veterans and then write to their congressmen. Two copies of this note and the letter to Governor CONNELLY are also enclosed.

The above is being furnished to the Bureau for its information. No further action is being taken by the Phoenix Division.



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Airtel

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To: SAC, Atlanta (91-545)

From: Director, FBI

MRS. MYRTLE LYONS  
ATLANTA, GEORGIA  
RESEARCH (CORRESPONDENCE AND TOURS)  
BUDED 5-11-64

Enclosed are two copies of a self-explanatory communication received from captioned individual who was interviewed on 1-31-64. Also enclosed is a stamped, self-addressed envelope forwarded by Mrs. Lyons.

It is noted that she was very emotional and displayed evidence of instability during this interview. Special Agent Charles S. Harding should be instructed to return the photograph she claims was borrowed from her. However, if this is a figment of her imagination, Special Agent Harding should be accompanied by another Agent and her recent communication to me should be acknowledged. Thereafter, if necessary, she should be straightened out with firmness and tact concerning the photograph of her husband. During the contact with her, her stamped, self-addressed envelope should be returned. Submit the results of this action under the above caption to reach the Bureau no later than 5-11-64.  
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Follow-up made for 5-11-64

*Filed*  
*So. Atlanta Airtel 5-5-64*

NOTE: In January correspondent wrote to the Director and implied that her husband had some connection with the assassination of President Kennedy. Bureau airtel to Atlanta 1-23-64 instructed that she be interviewed for any information of interest to the Bureau. Atlanta airtel 2-1-64 noted her emotional instability. Subsequent investigation by the New Orleans Division failed to develop any justification for her suspicions.

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TRUE COPY

April 27, 1964

Dear Mr Hoover,

First I'd like to Thank you for having Mr Chuck Harding one of your agents in Atlanta Contacting me about the recent letter I wrote you. Conserving my Husband. He assured me my Husband could in no way be involved. And it was only my Imagination I accepted this. Then later approx 2 weeks he come back to see me and drove me to work. Perhaps I could-be wrong but I felt I had made him angry. As I'm a person that speaks very direct. He wanted to know why I hadn't called this office in Atlanta. I told him I had on several occasion talked with the Police and had even called and talked to a Detective on the Car & Thef Squad. I told him of other things And that on 28th Nov I was at the House where my Husband was staying And that he had a woman in the house with him I was doing as I thought a good deed as my husbands family was wanting to get in contact with him And my husband was outside hollowing Jack Call the Police. And I just made the statement you'll not Call the Police to me with as much as there is going on at this House. Then on the 5th of Dec there was a warrant signed on me there were some 5 witnesses I believe And the Outcome they had to tell the Judge they had'nt seen Anything they had signed there name to. But I'm not Conserved About Any of this for after a person has experenced so much of this as I have it just comes Natural And it does'nt bother you. But I do want you to know I was Sincere when I wrote to you. Also Mr Harding stated that when you start talking about the President And his assassination this was a serious thing. I Agreed with him but I did'nt understand what he was talking about. For I thought of him as a Great Man. B

But what I was so Conserved about was Ruby shooting Oswald. For with just a little Common sense this mans life Could have been saved. But I was'nt the least bit surprised when he was shot as I had made the remark when they took him in he'd never live to go to trial. But enough of this getting back to Mr Harding he ask me for a Picture of my husband And before I gave it to him I ask him Could I have it back. He promised me I could have it back. I wrote him a letter thanking him and appolized in the event I had made him Angry. Then I wrote him a letter asking him for my picture still no reply 3 or 4 wks ago I called him and he told me he'd been busy I'm well aware that if he is'nt he should be. I'm not an unresonable person but I've Carried that picture in my Wallet for the past 18 years. But he informed me I did'nt have to have the picture right now in a matter of speaking when he got ready its possible he'd send me my picture So I'll not waste my time talking to him Anymore. I'm enclosing a self address

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Envelope And would appreciate your being so kind again And if it was'nt  
for the fact I have the Greatest Respect for a Man like you doing as much  
for us and our Country as you have.

In the event I do ever see something if I don't have the price  
of a postage stamp to write to you Then the next time I'll not Call them -

Sincerely  
Mrs. Myrtle Lyons  
169 Hunter St. S. E.  
Apt 314  
Atlanta, Ga  
Phone 523-4135



April 27, 1964

Dear Mr. Hoover

I just'd like to thank  
you for having Mr.  
Chuck Harding one of your  
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I had on several occasions  
talked with the police  
and had even called  
and talked to a detective  
on the Civil Rights Squad  
I told him of other things  
and that on 28th Nov  
I was at the house  
where my husband  
was staying. And that  
he had a woman  
in the house with  
him. I was doing  
so I thought a good

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deal as my husband's  
 family was wanting to  
 get in contact with  
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 was outside following  
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 statement you'd not  
 call the Police to me  
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 is going on at this  
 house then on the  
 5th of Dec there was  
 a warrant signed on  
 me there were some  
 5 witnesses I believe  
 but the outcome they  
 had to tell the judge



They had not seen  
anything they like  
except their name to  
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then I wrote you a  
letter asking you for  
my pictures still no  
reply 3 or 4 wks ago  
I called you and  
he told me he'd been  
since I'm well aware  
that if he is not the  
should be I'm not  
an unreasonable person  
but I've carried that  
picture in my wallet



For the past 14 years  
But he informed me  
I didn't have to lose  
the picture right now  
in a matter of speaking  
when he got ready its  
possible he'd send  
me my picture so  
I'll not waste my time  
talking to him anymore  
I'm exchanging a self  
address envelope. And  
would appreciate your  
being so kind again  
And if it wasn't for  
the fact I have the  
greatest respect for  
a man like you



Doing us much good  
and put our country  
in the front I do love  
see something if I don't  
have the price of a  
postage stamp to write  
to you then the next  
time I'll not call  
them

Sincerely  
Mrs. Myrtle Lyons  
169 Hunter St. S.E.  
Apt. 314  
Atlanta, Ga  
Phone 523-4135



1 - Mr. Rosen (Mr. Malley)  
1 - Mr. Sullivan (Mr. Lenihan)  
1 - Mr. Conrad

By Courier Service

Date: April 24, 1964  
To: Chief, U. S. Secret Service  
From: John Edgar Hoover, Director  
Subject: Assassination of President Kennedy  
Request of The President's Commission

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At the request of The President's Commission on the Assassination of President Kennedy, Mr. Herbert G. Orth of Life Magazine provided the original of the 35mm motion picture film of the assassination for review by representatives of the Commission, Secret Service and FBI. As a result of this review, Mr. Orth volunteered to make thirty-five millimeter color slides of the pertinent portions of this film and make copies for the Commission, Secret Service and this Bureau.

Three sets of these slides containing 165 slides in each set have been received. One set is attached for your agency.

Enclosure

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- 1 - Mr. Belmont
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- 1 - Mr. Lenihan, Rm. 645 RB
- 1 - Mr. Rogge, Rm. 5730
- 1 - Mr. Conrad
- 1 - Mr. Griffith
- 1 - Mr. Cadigan

April 24, 1964  
By Courier Service

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

Assassination of  
President John F.  
Kennedy

Dear Mr. Rankin:

On April 20, 1964, Mr. Melvin Eisenberg of your staff delivered to a representative of the FBI Laboratory a sample of gummed paper tape and a sample of brown wrapping paper which were reportedly obtained from Mrs. Ruth Faine Marina Oswald's landlady, for comparison with the paper found on the sixth floor of the Texas School Book Depository Building (Commission Exhibit 142).

The sample of gummed paper tape and brown wrapping paper obtained from Mrs. Faine designated as Exhibit D-208 in this case. As a result of a comparison of the paper and tape in Exhibit D-208 with the paper and tape used to make the paper tag, Commission Exhibit 142, it was concluded that the paper and tape in Exhibit D-208 were different from the paper and tape in Commission Exhibit 142 and could not have come from the same original source.

Pursuant to the request of Mr. Eisenberg, Exhibit D-208 is being retained in the files of this Bureau.

On April 20, 1964, Mr. Eisenberg also furnished to a representative of this Bureau the photograph of a Marine Corps Certificate of Service in the name Alex James Licell which has been designated as Exhibit I-206 and the photograph of a Selective Service System Notice of Classification in the name of Alex James Licell which has been designated as Exhibit D-207.

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Honorable J. Lee Rankin

These two items were reportedly obtained from the United States Secret Service. The FBI Laboratory examination of D-206 and D-207 requested by Mr. Eisenberg is being held in abeyance pending the return of the negatives contained in Exhibit D-44 presently in the possession of The President's Commission, since the examination will involve comparison of the negatives in Exhibit D-44 with Exhibits D-206 and D-207.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover



- 1 - Mohr
- 1 - DeLoach
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- 1 - Malley
- 1 - Liaison

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BY COURIER-SERVICE

- 1 - Lenihan

Honorable J. Lee Rankin  
 General Counsel  
 The President's Commission  
 939 Maryland Avenue, N. E.  
 Washington, D. C.

*Assassination of  
 President John F.  
 Kennedy*

Dear Mr. Rankin:

Reference is made to your letter of April 7, 1964, requesting this Bureau to investigate the source of the fund used to pay for the advertisement which appeared in the "Dallas Morning News" of November 22, 1963.

Enclosed are two copies of a memorandum dated April 2, 1964, at Dallas, Texas, which sets forth results of our inquiries in this matter. You will note on page three of our memorandum that Mr. [redacted] identifies the contributors to the fund which was used in payment of the advertisement in question as: Mr. H. R. Eright, Mr. Edgar Crissey and Mr. Nelson Dunbar Hunt.

In the absence of a specific request from the Commission, we do not contemplate interviews with Mr. Eright, Mr. Crissey or Mr. Hunt in this matter.

This concludes our investigation in this particular inquiry.

Sincerely yours,  
 J. Edgar Hoover

J. Edgar Hoover

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NOTE: See memo Branigan to Sullivan re "Lee Harvey Oswald, IS-R-C" dated 4-28-64, REL:mhw.

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1 - Mr. Malley; 1 - Mr. Branigan; 1 - Mr. Frazier;  
1 - Mr. Lenihan

April 29, 1964

BY COURIER SERVICE

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

Dear Mr. Rankin:

On April 23, 1964, Mr. Wesley J. Liebeler of your staff requested that he be furnished the originals of the following items of evidence maintained by this Bureau in connection with our investigation of the assassination of President John F. Kennedy:

1. Letter to Mr. Lee H. Oswald from Farrell Dobbs, National Secretary, Socialist Workers Party, New York, New York, dated November 5, 1962.
2. Letter to Mr. Lee H. Oswald from Bob Chester dated December 9, 1962.
3. Letter to Lee H. Oswald from V. T. Lee, National Director, Fair Play for Cuba Committee, New York, New York, dated May 22, 1963.
4. Letter to Lee H. Oswald from V. T. Lee, National Director, Fair Play for Cuba Committee, New York, New York, dated May 29, 1963.

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Honorable J. Lee Rankin

The data requested by Mr. Liebeler is enclosed herewith. You will note that these items of evidence have been numbered 401, 402, 403 and 407, respectively.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

Enclosures (4)

NOTE: Mr. Liebeler, staff member of the President's Commission, has requested the enclosures which deal with letters written to Lee Oswald by officials of each of the organizations concerned. We have previously furnished Mr. Liebeler the originals of correspondence which were turned over by each of these organizations re correspondence they received from Lee Harvey Oswald.



- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. Rosen
- 1 - Mr. Malley
- 1 - Mr. Shroder
- 1 - Mr. Rogge

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April 29, 1964

BY COURIER SERVICE

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

Dear Mr. Rankin:

Reference is made to various communications, the most recent being my letter dated April 24, 1964, concerning Mrs. Shirley Martin also known as Mrs. Mark E. Martin of Hominy, Oklahoma.

Enclosed for your information are two copies of a self-explanatory communication from our Dallas Office dated April 24, 1964, relating to information furnished by Mrs. Jean Lollis Hill. This communication concerns a telephone call Mrs. Hill reportedly received from an unidentified woman in Oklahoma on April 22, 1964.

From the information contained in the enclosed communication and from prior experience with Mrs. Martin, it is possible she is the unidentified caller.

For your information, Mrs. Hill was interviewed by this Bureau on November 22, 1963, the results of which were submitted to you and appear on page 35 of the report of Special Agent Robert P. Gemberling at Dallas, Texas, dated November 30, 1963. Mrs. Hill was reinterviewed on March 13, 1964, and the results were furnished to you with my letter dated April 2, 1964.

This is being furnished in view of your prior interest in Mrs. Martin and no further action is being taken.

J. Edgar Hoover

Sincerely yours,

- Tolson \_\_\_\_\_
- Belmont \_\_\_\_\_
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1 - 62-109090 (President's Commission)

1 - SAC, Oklahoma City (89-41)

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SAC Oklahoma City and Dallas see note page two.

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- Mr. C. D. DeLoach
- Mr. W. C. Sullivan
- Mr. J. E. Herington
- Mr. R. E. Lenihan

SEE NOTE PAGE TWO.



NOTE TO SAC OKLAHOMA CITY AND DALLAS:

RE: ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT  
JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY  
11/22/63, DALLAS, TEXAS  
MISC. - INFORMATION CONCERNING

Re DL airtel 4/24/64 relating to a possible contact by Mrs. Mark E. Martin of Hominy, Oklahoma, with Mrs. Jean Lollis Hill of Dallas, Texas.

You should continue to furnish the Bureau with pertinent data relating to Mrs. Martin and be extremely circumspect in any dealings with her, being constantly alert to the possibility any conversation with her may be recorded.

NOTE:

This is the eighth letter to the Commission concerning Mrs. Martin.

We have had unsatisfactory dealings with her in the past and she recently recorded or took verbatim notes of a telephonic conversation with an Agent of our Dallas Office. In view of the possibility of embarrassment to the Bureau and to alert the field, SAC letter 64-23 dated 4/28/64 was immediately prepared for dissemination.

Martin has been described as a "bright nut" and since the assassination has been conducting her own investigation. The enclosed communication from Dallas relates to a telephonic complaint from Hill indicating she was contacted on 4/22/64 by an unidentified woman in Oklahoma who was very persistent in questioning Hill concerning the assassination. Hill states she was likewise persistent and refused to furnish any information. Hill stated the caller made some reference to either furnishing information to Mark Lane or that Lane was interested in information she was obtaining. As you are aware, Lane is the [redacted] and espouser of communist causes who formerly represented Lee Harvey Oswald's mother.

Hill was alongside the Presidential motorcade on 11/22/63 when President Kennedy was assassinated. When she was initially interviewed she reported hearing one shot and seeing the President fall forward. She later became somewhat controversial when Mark Lane publicly used a taped interview with her as evidence that more than three shots were fired. Hill on reinterview reported hearing four to six shots.



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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (62-109060)

FROM: SAC, DALLAS (89-43) (P)

SUBJECT: ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN FITZGERALD  
KENNEDY, 11/22/63, DALLAS, TEXAS  
MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION CONCERNING  
OO: DL

*R. E. Wick*  
*J. A. G. 200*

Re Dallas airtels to Bureau, 4/15 & 20/64, each enclosing a letterhead memorandum concerning information pertaining to Mrs. SHIRLEY MARTIN, aka Mrs. Mark E. Martin, Hominy, Oklahoma.

Enclosed herewith are ten copies of a letterhead memorandum containing information received by SA CHARLES T. BROWN, JR., on 4/22/64, from Mrs. JEAN LOLLIS HILL, who has previously been interviewed in this investigation.

It is believed the unknown woman contacting Mrs. HILL by telephone from Oklahoma was possibly Mrs. SHIRLEY MARTIN, aka Mrs. Mark E. Martin, referred to in the above referenced communications.

The enclosed letterhead memorandum is being furnished the Bureau in the event it desires to disseminate same to the President's Commission, with a notation to the Commission that such unknown woman is believed to possibly be Mrs. MARTIN.

One copy of this LHM is being furnished the Oklahoma City Office for its information, in view of the fact that Mrs. MARTIN resides in that division.

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- 1 - OKLAHOMA CITY (105-783) (ENC.-1) (INFO)
- 2 - DALLAS

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C. C. Wick (6) Special Agent in Charge

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

Dallas, Texas

April 24, 1964

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

On the evening of April 22, 1964, Mrs. JEAN LOLLIS HILL, 9402 Bluffcreek, Dallas, Texas, telephone BV 1-7419, telephonically advised a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation that on the afternoon of April 22, 1964, she was contacted telephonically by long distance by an unidentified woman in Oklahoma, who questioned her regarding her knowledge of the assassination of President KENNEDY at Dallas, Texas.

It should be noted that Mrs. HILL has previously been interviewed in connection with this investigation, inasmuch as she was in close proximity to the Texas School Book Depository Building at the time of the assassination.

Mrs. HILL stated she did not know who the woman was in Oklahoma and advised the unknown woman that she did not wish to discuss the matter. Mrs. HILL stated the unknown woman persisted in her questioning and made reference to the fact that she was either furnishing information to MARK LANE, an attorney in New York, or MARK LANE was interested in information she was obtaining.

Mrs. HILL advised she also believed the woman made some reference to the fact that the telephone conversation was being recorded. Mrs. HILL stated the woman was very persistent in asking questions about her (Mrs. HILL's) knowledge of the assassination, and Mrs. HILL stated she was very persistent in refusing to answer.

Mrs. HILL advised the unknown woman finally ended the conversation by making a statement to the effect that she was only trying to be friendly with Mrs. HILL, because Mrs. HILL might later need a friend.

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- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. Rosen
- 1 - Mr. Sullivan
- 1 - Mr. Malley
- 1 - Mr. Conrad

April 29, 1964

By Courier Service

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

Dear Mr. Rankin:

In accordance with the telephonic request of Mr. Melvin Eisenberg on April 28, 1964, evidence items numbered D92, D93, D191 and D167 were delivered to Mrs. Julia T. Bide on that date.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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NOTE: This request was made to Section Chief Roy H. Jevons on 4/28/64. These items are described as follows:

- D92 Original invoice #A5371 showing shipment of S & W .38 Spl. 2" Commando revolver by Seaport Traders, Inc. to A. J. Hidell
- D93 Shipping copy of invoice #A5371 reflecting shipment of revolver on 3/20/63
- D191 Photostat of a page from a looseleaf notebook belonging to H. W. Michaelis regarding .38 caliber revolver
- D167 Photostat of list prepared by Mitchell Scibor of Kleins Inc. regarding 6.5 mm Mannlicher-Carcano rifle

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DALLAS (89-43)

FROM DIRECTOR FBI (62-109060)

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

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TO PRESIDENT'S COMMISSION. ALL INDIVIDUALS INVOLVED SHOULD  
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For full details see A. Rosen to Mr. Belmont memorandum 4/30/64 captioned "Assassination of President Kennedy", JRM:mpd.

Briefly, this involves allegations that Carroll had developed information that a conspiracy of the John Birch Society was involved in the assassination. Because of Carroll's reported knowledge, he received subpoena to appear before inquiry court. From information available, it appears Carroll is a definite mental case. This situation is the subject of an inquiry from Mr. Rankin of the Commission. Rankin has been advised we are looking into this matter and when the results are submitted he will be appropriately notified.

\* Local court in Texas.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : Mr. Callahan

DATE: 4-15-64

FROM : L. J. Gauthier

SUBJECT: ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY  
EXAMINATION OF VISUAL AIDS BY  
PRESIDENT'S COMMISSION

- Tolson
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Reference memo Gauthier to Callahan 4-7-64.

Staff members of the President's Commission and specialists of the armed services, Drs. Humes, Heany, Fink, Light and Olivia (ph.) attended a conference on 4-14-64 for the purpose of reviewing motion pictures and slides of the assassination site. Representatives of the Secret Service and the FBI were present to assist in projecting the film and the use of the scale model.

Dr. Humes, U. S. Navy Commander, who performed the autopsy on the President, appeared to lead the discussion throughout the 4-hour session. All of his associates were generally in agreement with previous findings of the Commission as to where Shots 1, 2 and 3 approximately occurred.

The most revealing information brought out by the doctors is as follows:

1. That Shot 1 struck the President high in the right shoulder area, penetrating the torso near the base of the neck damaging the flesh of the throat but not tearing the throat wall. This bullet, according to the doctors, continued and entered Governor Connally's right shoulder, emerging below the right nipple. The velocity of the missile, according to the doctors apparently was snagged in the coat and shirt, eventually falling out on Connally's stretcher.
2. That Shot 2 struck the wrist of the Governor, continuing on into his thigh
3. That Shot 3 struck the right side of the President's head, carrying much bone and brain tissue away, leaving a large cavity. There is nothing controversial about where Shot 3 occurred inasmuch as the Zapruder movie indicates with much clarity where this happened.

Heretofore it was the opinion of the Commission that Shot 1 had only hit the President, that Shot 2 had entered the Governor's right shoulder area penetrating his torso through the chest area emerging and again entering the wrist and on into his leg.

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- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. Rosen (Attention, Mr. Malley)
- 1 - Mr. Sullivan

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**Memo, L. J. Gauthier to Mr. Callahan  
ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY  
EXAMINATION OF VISUAL AIDS BY PRESIDENT'S COMMISSION**

Staff attorneys of the Commission extensively questioned the doctors concerning their conclusions and their views were made a matter of record by Attorney Melvin Eisenberg.

Mr. Eisenberg advised that Governor Connally would be in Washington on Tuesday, April 21, 1964, to assist the Commission in describing as to where the three shots occurred and that he, Eisenberg, would request that Shaneyfelt and Gauthier be available to assist them in handling visual aids while the Governor's views are obtained.

Mr. Eisenberg also inquired whether Special Agent Shaneyfelt of the FBI Laboratory, Special Agent John Howlett of Secret Service and Gauthier would be able to arrange for a re-enactment of the shooting scene in Dallas using the data collected by the Commission, to make movies of the areas where each shot occurred using Zapruder's camera to have people simulate the positions of the occupants of the President's car in a car similar to the one used by the President which would be furnished by Secret Service, to take ground measurements between the Texas Schoolbook Depository from each point where shots occurred to determine the distances between gun muzzle and target, etc.

Mr. Eisenberg inquired as to whether I had any suggestions concerning his request. He was advised that of course the FBI would do whatever possible to assist in this matter; however, it was felt that inasmuch as he, Eisenberg, had a good working knowledge of what the Commission desired it would appear to me to be to the advantage of the Commission if he, Eisenberg, would be present in Dallas to insure the development of the desired technical data. He and his immediate superior, Attorney Norman Redlich, agreed to this suggestion. Without saying as much, it was felt that considerable publicity will definitely stem from this type of operation in Dallas and a representative of the Commission should be present to handle the inquiries of the press concerning the fact that this was a Commission field operation and not an operation of the FBI or Secret Service.

Mr. Eisenberg stated he would make his proposal for this field trip known to the members of the Commission recommending that the FBI and Secret Service assist the Commission's legal staff in gathering on-site data relating to the assassination of President John F. Kennedy.

**RECOMMENDATION: None - for information only.**

**SEE ADDENDUM PAGE THREE...**



Memo, L. J. Gauthier to Mr. Callahan  
ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY  
EXAMINATION OF VISUAL AIDS BY PRESIDENT'S COMMISSION

ADDENDUM: AHB:hw 4-15-64

It is questionable what the Commission expects to gain by an additional re-enactment of the scene of the assassination, bearing in mind that Secret Service has already gone through this exercise at least once, and Inspector Gauthier made actual models of the assassination area. It is inevitable that there will be considerable publicity attendant to the proposed re-enactment of the scene.

It is our opinion that it would be undesirable for the FBI to become involved as the speed of the car, protection measures, etc., were the basic responsibilities of Secret Service at the time. We would prefer not to become identified with the actual scene and happenings at the assassination in the minds of the public.

It is recommended that Inspector Malley advise Mr. Rankin that this proposal appears to be without merit; that the FBI has done its utmost to be of assistance by providing models of the area, technical data and technical advice in assisting the Commission to interpret events as they occurred. Mr. Malley should advise Rankin that we suggest that if such a re-enactment of the scene is considered desirable by the Commission, it should be carried out by Secret Service which has already gone through this exercise at least once.



UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : Mr. Belmont

DATE: 4/20/64

FROM : A. Rosen

SUBJECT: ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY  
EXAMINATION OF VISUAL AIDS BY  
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*W. E. Miller*

Memorandum from Gauthier to Callahan dated 4/15/64 discussed the possibility of the President's Commission having a re-enactment at the scene of the assassination and recommended that this matter be taken up with Mr. Rankin in order to advise him of the Bureau's views relative to any such re-enactment.

Malley discussed this matter with Mr. Rankin today, at which time Mr. Rankin was advised that the FBI had rendered every assistance possible by providing models of the area, technical data, and technical advice in assisting the Commission to interpret events which occurred in Dallas. He was told that in view of this, plus the fact that a complete re-enactment had been previously made by the Secret Service, there did not appear to be a great deal that could be done by having a re-enactment. He was also told that if a decision was made to have the re-enactment, the FBI would prefer not to be involved in any such plan.

Mr. Rankin advised he had not been fully briefed concerning this matter. He said there had been some minor discussions concerning it and he would not favor any re-enactment which would cause a tremendous amount of publicity. He stated there were some technical problems and the Commission's only desire was to try and establish the approximate places where the three shots hit the target so that the distances involved would not be out of line with the number of seconds in which it is believed the three shots were actually fired.

Mr. Rankin stated that there would be considerable study on this matter before any actual requests of any kind would be made and he doubted at this time that there would be any re-enactment in Dallas.

Submitted for information.

- 1 - Mr. Conrad
- 1 - Mr. Sullivan
- 1 - Mr. Gauthier

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

DATE April 24, 1964

TO: Mr. Mohr

FROM: C. D. DeLoach

SUBJECT: ASSASSINATION OF THE PRESIDENT

*John F. Kennedy*  
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*✓*

At 1:34 p.m. today, Mr. Walter Evans, News Director of Radio Station WFAA in Dallas, telephoned and asked to speak to the Director. He was advised of Mr. Hoover's absence and was offered the services of an assistant which he declined.

The Director agreed that Evans should be called back. At 2:55 p.m. Tom Perryman, Assistant News Director of WFAA, telephoned and asked for the Director and refused to speak with anyone else. He said he thought he would call the Attorney General.

ACTION TAKEN:

At the Director's instructions, we called WFAA in Dallas at 3:40 p.m. Tom Perryman took the call. He stated his station is owned by the same company owning "The Dallas Daily News" which this morning published a story quoting a Dallas police officer testifying before the President's Commission to the effect that Agent Hosty, shortly after the assassination had said, "We knew he was capable of assassinating the President but we didn't dream he would do it."

Mr. Perryman said that a rival newspaper, "The Dallas Times-Herald," an afternoon paper, now has come out with a story quoting Mr. Hoover as stating, with respect to the police officer's statement, "That is absolutely false. The Agent made no such statement and the FBI did not have such knowledge." Perryman said also that the Associated Press is so quoting Mr. Hoover. Mr. Perryman asked whether Mr. Hoover was quoted accurately. Wick, who talked with Mr. Perryman, told him that Mr. Hoover has been quoted accurately.

Mr. Perryman who had been recording Wick's conversation asked if we could utilize the recording of the conversation Wick had with Perryman on the tape. Wick told him he saw no need for this, that Mr. Hoover's statement as quoted by the Associated Press is accurate and if he, Perryman, desired, he could quote it.

- 1 - Mr. Tolson
- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. Evans
- 1 - Mr. Rosen
- 1 - Mr. Sullivan

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DeLoach to Mohr Memorandum, 4/24/64  
RE: Assassination of the President

spokesman at FBI Headquarters as saying, "Mr. Hoover today said the statement by the police officer) is absolutely false. The Agent made no such statement and the FBI did not have such knowledge."

Mr. Perryman said this situation is most embarrassing for WFAA which is owned by the same company publishing the News, in that WFAA is now in the position of having to quote from a rival newspaper. This it could not do. Therefore, this station preferred to quote directly from FBI Headquarters.

Wick told Mr. Perryman this would be perfectly all right, that he can so quote Mr. Hoover.

ACTION:

For information.

*Wick*

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*We will not make  
any further statement  
on the Dallas incident -  
my original statement  
is sufficient & needs no  
amplification.*

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : Mr. Belmont *W*

DATE: 4/22/64

FROM : A. Rosen

SUBJECT: THE PRESIDENT'S COMMISSION  
ASSASSINATION OF THE PRESIDENT

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Memorandum 4/17/64 Sullivan to Belmont set forth results of interview with Secret Service Chief Rowley on 4/17/64 relative to the statement made by Mr. Rowley to the effect that Secret Service had made the statement that Lee Harvey Oswald would have been under surveillance on November 22, 1963, if the Secret Service had been furnished information concerning Oswald.

Mr. J. Lee Rankin was advised today by Malley that the Bureau had received information from several sources indicating that Secret Service has made comments that Oswald would have been under surveillance if they had been advised of Oswald's background. He was told that this matter was discussed with Secret Service Chief Rowley and Rowley had stated there was no information indicating the possibility of physical violence on the part of Oswald and that he would not, therefore, have been placed under surveillance. Rowley also stated that had the Secret Service checked the building (Texas School Book Depository Building) they would have taken no action concerning Oswald inasmuch as he was employed in the building.

Mr. Rankin was told that we understood Special Agent in Charge Robert I. Bouck of the Protective Research Section, Secret Service, was scheduled to appear before the Commission on 4/23/64 for testimony. Mr. Rankin verified that Bouck would appear. It was suggested that in view of Mr. Rowley's statements it might be well for the Commission to officially inquire of Mr. Bouck the position Secret Service would have taken concerning this matter.

Mr. Rankin was most appreciative of being advised of the comments made by Secret Service Chief Rowley on this matter and stated that the Commission would handle the matter in full on an official basis.

**ACTION:** Liaison Supervisor Orrin H. Bartlett has been advised of this discussion with Mr. Rankin and he, in turn, is again discussing the matter with Mr. Rowley.

**ADDENDUM:** OHB:mpd At 9:25 a. m. today Liaison Agent Bartlett spoke with Secret Service Chief James J. Rowley and advised him of our conversation with

- 1 - Mr. Sullivan
- 1 - Mr. Branigan
- 1 - Mr. Bartlett

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Memorandum to Mr. Belmont from A. Rosen  
Re: President's Assassination

with Mr. Rankin earlier today. Mr. Rowley advised that he appreciated being brought up to date on the matter and that he will brief Mr. Bouck fully on the official position of the Secret Service prior to his testifying before the Commission tomorrow, 4/23/64.

Mr. Rowley reiterated his official position as: Secret Service would not have placed Oswald under surveillance even if they had the information that Oswald was in Dallas in view of no history of physical violence; that had Secret Service checked the Dallas School Book Depository they would have taken no action concerning Oswald in view of the fact that he was employed in the building.

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ATTN: FBI LABORATORY

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

SUBJECT: LEE HARVEY OSWALD aka, *Assassination of*  
IS-R-CUBA *President John F.*  
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ReBuairtel to Dallas, 4/6/64.

On 4/10/64, Mr. EDDIE BARKER, News Manager, KLRD-TV and Radio Stations, Dallas, Texas, advised he had obtained a copy of the 16 mm color film which is being offered for sale by the Dallas Cinema Associates Corporation of Dallas, Texas, and he would have a black and white 16 mm copy of this film made and furnish the same to the FBI.

BARKER related this corporation had obtained film strips from numerous Dallas citizens which were taken on 11/22/63, depicting President JOHN F. KENNEDY's visit to Dallas, Texas. BARKER advised the film also has scenes taken at the Dallas City Building, but does not contain any film taken inside the building of film depicting RUBY shooting LEE HARVEY OSWALD.

A review of this film by the Dallas Office of the FBI reveals that the film does not have scenes of the assassination of President KENNEDY or film showing the shooting of LEE HARVEY OSWALD.

Enclosed herewith for the FBI Laboratory is a 16 mm black and white copy of the film which was furnished to the Dallas Office of the FBI by EDDIE BARKER, of KLRD-TV & Radio. This film is being furnished to the Bureau for review and possible dissemination to the President's Commission. This film need not be returned.

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Special Agent In Charge

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SUBJECT LEE HARVEY OSWALD, aka  
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Enclosed for the Bureau is one cannister of 16 mm film which was received on 4/10/64 from BOB TURNER, WFAA-TV, Dallas, Texas.

The above film is that which WFAA-TV was able to identify from the film which TOM ALYEA had shot in the Texas School Book Depository on the afternoon of 11/22/63.

The film was reviewed at Dallas and nothing of significance was noted.

The film is furnished to the Bureau for their review and possible furnishing to the President's Commission.

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- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. Rosen (Mr. Malley)
- 1 - Mr. Rosen (Mr. Raupach)
- 1 - Mr. Sullivan (Mr. Lenihan)
- 1 - Mr. Conrad

April 21, 1964  
 By Courier Service

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Honorable J. Leo Rankin  
 General Counsel  
 President's Commission  
 20 Maryland Avenue, N. E.  
 Washington, D. C.

*Assassination of  
 President John F.  
 Kennedy*

REC'D-READING ROOM  
 FBI

Dear Mr. Rankin:

We have received from our Dallas Office two sixteen millimeter motion picture films relating to the events in Dallas on November 22, 1963.

One of the rolls of film was taken by Thomas P. Alyea, WMA-TV newscaster, and contained photographs taken outside the Texas School Depository Building immediately after the assassination, as well as photographs taken inside the building during the search for the assassin, the finding of the rifle in its original position and the casting of the rifle for fingerprints by the Dallas Police Department.

The other film is a composite of film strips obtained from numerous Dallas citizens that were taken on November 22, 1963, depicting the President's visit to Dallas and related events. This film is a black and white copy of a sixteen millimeter color film which is being offered for sale by the Dallas Cinema Associates Corporation of Dallas, Texas.

The films are available for viewing if you desire.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

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TO : The Director

DATE: 11/23/64

FROM : N. P. Callahan

SUBJECT: The Congressional Record

Mr. Alger, (D) Texas, spoke concerning attacks on Dallas. He pointed out that he was not defending Dallas as Dallas needs no defense. He stated "My purpose in asking for this time is to get the record straight—a record which has been mangled by one of the most concentrated smear campaigns ever launched against an American city." Mr. Alger went on to state "Following the death of President Kennedy at the hands of a Communist assassin, nationally syndicated columnists and commentators have had a field day in what amounts to an attempted lynching of an entire community. . . . Forgotten in the attacks on Dallas, following the assassination, was the fact that prior to the fatal shot by a Marxist, a self-avowed Communist, President Kennedy was receiving one of the most sincere and enthusiastic receptions of his career by all the people of Dallas." Mr. Alger included several news stories with his remarks.

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In the original of a memorandum captioned and dated as above, the Congressional Record for 11/23/64 was reviewed and pertinent items were marked for the Director's attention. This form has been prepared in order that portions of a copy of the original memorandum may be clipped, mounted, and placed in appropriate Bureau case or subject matter files.

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# Memorandum

DATE: 4-24-64

TO: Mr. Mohr

FROM: C. D. DeLoach

SUBJECT: WILLIAM MANCHESTER  
AUTHOR OF BOOK REGARDING  
ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY

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My memorandum of 3-31-64 indicated that Mrs. Jacqueline Kennedy had invited captioned individual to do a book concerning the six days surrounding the assassination of the President. This book will be published in 1968 or 1969. Referenced memorandum reported that Ed Guthman of the Department was most anxious for the Director to meet with Mr. Manchester concerning the book. Guthman promised that no questions would be asked concerning the FBI investigation of the assassination.

The Director indicated that he would not meet with Manchester in view of the false allegations mentioned by Deputy Attorney General Katzenbach to the Warren Commission indicating that information had been "leaked" by the FBI concerning our investigation of the assassination. The Director indicated that Manchester should see me

Guthman's office called again on 4-21-64 and asked that I see Manchester at 3:30 p. m. on 4-22-64. Upon seeing Manchester, he advised me that he was primarily interested in the activities of the Director immediately following the assassination of the President. I told Manchester that the Director of course was the first one to advise the Attorney General that his brother, the President, had been shot and that the Director later advised that his brother was dead. Manchester told me that he knew this to be a fact and that he had visited the Attorney General's home and the swimming pool where the Attorney General had been standing at the time the Director had called him. He pointed however that he desired to obtain this information from the Director rather than from an assistant.

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Manchester told me that he was having some difficulty in obtaining the information that he wanted. He mentioned that most people felt that nothing could be given to him until after the report of the Warren Commission had been issued. I told Manchester I thought that for the most part this would certainly be true for the FBI inasmuch as we were the agency appointed by the President to be chiefly responsible for the investigation of both the assassination and the murder of Oswald. Manchester told me that his questions actually would not involve the FBI investigation of this case. He stated that even if this were true he still felt that answers should be given to his questions inasmuch as his book would not be published for 4 or 5 years following the issuance of the Commission report

- 1 - Mr. Tolson
- 1 - Mr. Evans
- 1 - Mr. Sullivan
- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. Rosen
- 1 - Mr. M. A. Jones
- 1 - Mr. Malley

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COPY SENT TO MR. TOLSON



DeLoach to Mohr memo  
RE: William Manchester  
Author of Book Regarding  
Assassination of President Kennedy

I told Manchester that I felt certain he could understand our position in being reluctant to give him specific facts concerning our investigation, particularly inasmuch as a Departmental official had seen fit to allege to the Warren Commission that the FBI was "leaking" information. I told Manchester that this allegation had of course been false. However, the fact still remained that the FBI did not want to be placed in the position of releasing information prior to the issuance of the Commission report.

Manchester stated that although he could understand our viewpoint he would still like to talk to the Director concerning the Director's specific activities immediately following the assassination. I asked Manchester what he had in mind. He stated it would be far better if we furnish him a great deal of information and then let him later pose specific questions in order to round out the information. I told him this seemed to be the cart pulling the horse inasmuch as we would first want to know what he had in mind and before we went to a great deal of work. I told him regardless of what he desired he would still have to realize that no information concerning our investigation could be released until after the issuance of the Commission report.

Manchester asked if the allegation were true that the FBI had known that Oswald was in Dallas, Texas, and at the Texas Book Depository at the time of the assassination of the President. I answered in the affirmative, however, explained at great length the fact that Oswald was not a violent-type person and there had been no reason to notify Secret Service of his presence. I also explained to Manchester the cooperation which had existed for many years between the FBI and Secret Service and of the fact that we constantly informed Secret Service of threats made against the President.

Manchester told me that he was having considerable difficulty in getting information from Secret Service. He stated that this organization has been criticized so severely and its personnel are so heartbroken over the tragedy that they are reluctant to talk about the assassination.

In leaving, Manchester told me that he would be in town for approximately three months living in a rented apartment. He stated that sometime during this three months he would appreciate having a visit with the Director. I told him that the Director's schedule was quite filled, however, we would be in touch with him if the Director had an opportunity to see him. I also told him that rather than wait for an appointment he might desire to write out his questions and give them to me. I reminded him, however, that it was doubtful that we could be of any assistance to him until after issuance of the Commission report.

The meeting with Manchester was on a cordial and pleasant basis, however, he fully understands our position. Bufiles reflect that our relations with him in the past have been most cordial. He does appear, however, to be somewhat of a dreamy non-specific type of individual.

ACTION: None at this time.

*[Handwritten signature and notes]*



PRESIDENT'S COMMISSION  
ON THE  
ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY

20 Maryland Ave. NE  
Washington, D.C. 20002  
Telephone 343-1430

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Mr. J. Edgar Hoover  
Director, Federal Bureau  
of Investigation  
Department of Justice  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

This is in regard to your letter of April 15, 1964,  
in which you advised us that Mr. Orville O. Nix had inquired  
as to when he could expect the return of his camera.

The Commission intends to use Mr. Nix's camera  
in Dallas during the week of April 27. Your Dallas office  
should advise Mr. Nix that he may expect the return of his  
camera on or about May 1, 1964.

Sincerely,

*J. Lee Rankin*

J. Lee Rankin  
General Counsel

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To: SAC, Dallas (100-10491)

From: Director, FBI (100-92555)

LEE HARVEY OSWALD, AKA.  
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Re DL airtel 4/1/64 and Du airtel 4/15/64  
relating to the request of Mr. Orville O. Nix and  
Mrs. Marie Muchmore for the return of their cameras.

Enclosed for your information is a copy of  
a self-explanatory letter dated 4/24/64 from the  
President's Commission. You should insure that  
Mr. Nix is promptly advised as to when he may expect  
the return of his camera.

Enc.

*John E.*

- 1 - 62-109080 (Assassination of Pres. Kennedy)
- 1 - 62-109090 (President's Commission)

- 1 - Mr. W. C. Sullivan
- 1 - Mr. I. W. Conrad
- 1 - Mr. C. D. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. R. E. Lonihan
- 1 - Mr. L. L. Shaneyfelt

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NOTE: For full details concerning this matter see A. Rosen  
to Mr. Belmont memo dated 4/13/64 captioned as above,  
RDR:pah:jsk. Briefly, the Laboratory has been holding the  
Nix and Muchmore cameras at the request of the Commission.  
Although all required FBI examinations have been completed,  
Commission has not released cameras to their owners. Both  
individuals have made repeated requests to have cameras  
returned which resulted in our sending a letter to the Commission  
4/15/64. The enclosed is an acknowledgment of our letter  
indicating Nix camera will be returned on or about 5/1/64. Muchmo:  
has rented a similar camera and is billing the Commission.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

W. C. Sullivan *WCS*

W. A. Branigan

*YH*  
SUBJECT: LEE HARVEY OSWALD  
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DATE: 10-64

- Belmont
  - DeLoach
  - Rosen *WR*
  - Sullivan
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A highly critical, full page ad costing \$1463 appeared in the "Dallas Morning News" on the morning of 11-22-63 entitled "Welcome, Mr. Kennedy to Dallas" which was signed by the "American Fact Finding Committee, Bernard Weissman, Chairman, Post Office Box 1792, Dallas 21, Texas." This article brought great public indignation and was described as a vicious and cruel article which employed the type of verbiage which tends to incite fanatics.

The article was in the form of a public questionnaire to President Kennedy listing 12 questions principally concerning foreign policy matters.

Investigation revealed this article was prepared by Larrie Henry Schmidt, a Dallas, Texas, insurance salesman, and by Joseph P. Grinnan, a Dallas independent oil man, both of whom were members of the John Birch Society. The money for the ad, according to Schmidt, was solicited by Grinnan from approximately six prominent Dallas businessmen. We have interviewed Weissman concerning the article in great detail. We have not interviewed Joseph P. Grinnan who allegedly solicited the funds for the article from prominent Dallas businessmen.

By letter 4-7-64 Mr. J. Lee Rankin of the President's Commission requested this Bureau to investigate the source of the funds used to pay for this article. Mr. Rankin specifically requested that either Grinnan or Weissman be interviewed to learn the names of the contributors to the advertisement.

Inasmuch as Grinnan is the individual who allegedly made the solicitation for funds from prominent Dallas businessmen, it is felt we should go directly to him to obtain this information.

Bufiles show that Joseph P. Grinnan of Dallas, Texas, is an independent oil man and a member of the John Birch Society. Our files also show that at the time of the desegregation of the University of Mississippi Grinnan was reported to be a volunteer aide for former General Edwin A. Walker, a known organizer of the John Birch Society, and to be the driver of Walker's automobile.

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