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The following investigation was conducted  
by SA EDWIN H. DUFF, II:

On December 27, 1963, M. J. BENSON,  
Assistant Postmaster, Daytona Beach, Florida, and  
State President elect of the American Legion in Florida,  
advised that he is casually acquainted with EDISON VANCE  
SMITH and described SMITH as "extremely odd in behavior".

On December 27, 1963, WILLIAM W. JUDGE,  
724 North Oleander, Former State Attorney and now a  
practicing attorney, described EDISON VANCE SMITH as "a  
crackpot, and one who is always having trouble with his  
neighbors." He also stated that SMITH is "unable to get  
along with anyone and is very odd in his behavior".

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Re: JAMES PAUL SMITH

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At 9:35 AM, on May 31, 1964, Tarrant County Sheriff's Office Dispatcher J. W. TUCKER telephonically advised Security Patrol Clerk FOREST L. LUCY that his office had received a call from an individual identified as JAMES SMITH, 940 Jerri Lane, Bedford, Texas, telephone number BU 2-1269.

In this call, SMITH alleged his neighbors were blaming the assassination of President JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY on him, but that he (SMITH) had information that the "real assassin" is a "disc jockey" for Radio Station WBAP, Fort Worth, Texas. The only description furnished by SMITH of this "disc jockey" was that he was supposed to be six feet tall.



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At approximately 2:00 P.M. on June 1, 1964, Captain PAUL BARGER, Irving Police Department, Irving, Texas, telephonically advised SA ROBERT P. GEMBERLING that the Irving Police Department Dispatcher, TOMMY FREE, had just received a telephone call from an individual identifying himself as JAMES SMITH, 940 Jerri Lane, Bedford, Texas, telephone BU 2-1269, who had stated that the assassination shots came from a different building than the Texas School Book Depository and that he had seen a man with a small rifle in the building across the street from the Texas School Book Depository.

Captain BARGER stated that he had checked and determined that JAMES SMITH was considered to be a mentally disturbed person.

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Date 6/2/64

JAMES PAUL SMITH, aged 25, 940 Jerri Lane, Bedford, Texas, telephone number BU 2-1269, furnished the following information:

James SMITH was born in Dallas, Texas, on December 31, 1938. He went to school up until the ninth grade. He has suffered from motor epilepsy since 1956. He has taken medicine for this ailment and at the present time takes six tablets a day to prevent an epileptic seizure.

SMITH stays at home all the time and watches television and also tries to read the paper. He said he had trouble in reading some of the articles in the paper. He has watched pictures on television about the KENNEDY assassination, and the way he figures it out, there were about five or six shots fired. He does not have any concrete information or facts to back up his thoughts in working out just how KENNEDY was shot. He believes that OSWALD fired one shot from the Texas School Book Depository Building with his rifle and hit KENNEDY. Across the side street there is another brick building and JACK RUBY was in this building and fired another rifle and hit KENNEDY with this rifle. There was also a Secret Service man in the car with KENNEDY and CONNALLY and this Secret Service man shot KENNEDY in the side. The car was approaching an underpass and there was someone on top of this overpass that fired two shots into the automobile. He believes one or two of these shots are the ones that hit Governor CONNALLY.

SMITH believes that some cameraman with WBAP might have had something to do with it as he saw a man showing a film on WBAP which was all about the assassination. He did not have any facts to back up this information.

SMITH believes that more than one person was involved in the shooting and, toward the end of the interview, he made the statement that NIXON was behind the whole thing. He recalled that NIXON and KENNEDY had some debates and NIXON was

on 6/1/64 at Bedford, Texas

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by Special Agent ROBLEY D. MADLAND and EARLE HALEY/ds

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very mad at KENNEDY when he lost the election. He recalled that NIXON made the statement, "I am going to get even with KENNEDY." He thought that NIXON had been behind this to get even with KENNEDY for beating him in the election.

On two different occasions during the interview, SMITH became rather nervous and started crying. He only cried for a few seconds and stated that he does get upset easily. He appeared to be nervous and did not appear to be a well-educated individual. He wanted to furnish this information to Agents away from his parents. He said that if his mother or father knew that he was giving out any information, they would "get after him".



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DEC:ejb

Re: PORFIRIO PALLAN SORSE, also  
known as Paul Sorse  
Newport, Rhode Island

DC...  
On November 24, 1963, C. J. MAISANO, Administrative Assistant to Senator JOHN O. PASTORE, Democrat, Rhode Island, telephonically advised the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) that Senator PASTORE's office had received a telephone call from Miss CAROL CARGILL, then staying with WARREN CARGILL, 118 Gorham Avenue, Warwick, Rhode Island. Miss CARGILL, who wanted to talk to Senator PASTORE, advised she was formerly employed by CIA, was living and working in New York City and that she had important information regarding LEE HARVEY OSWALD. Mr. MAISANO advised CAROL CARGILL he was turning the information over to the FBI.

CAROL CARGILL, 118 Gorham Avenue, Warwick, Rhode Island, advised Special Agents JAMES F. MC MAHON and JOSEPH A. OXLEY of the FBI on November 24, 1963, that the only information she possessed was obtained from BEATRICE REIS, 590 Providence Street, West Warwick, Rhode Island.

AUDREY CARGILL, 118 Gorham Avenue, Warwick, Rhode Island, aunt of BEATRICE REIS, advised on November 24, 1963, that the only pertinent information she could furnish was that BEATRICE REIS told her in June, 1963, of a conversation between PAUL SORSE of Newport, Rhode Island, and MARGARET RESTOR of West Warwick, Rhode Island. AUDREY CARGILL was unable to determine from BEATRICE REIS just when the alleged conversation took place between PAUL SORSE and MARGARET RESTOR, or to whether it had been recent or had taken place in the summer of 1962.

Re: PAUL SORSE, also  
Paul Sorse  
Newport, Rhode Island

Date 11/25/63

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 BEATRICE REIS, 590 Providence Street, West Warwick, Rhode Island, advised on November 24, 1963, that some time during the summer of 1962 or 1963, she visited at the home of MARGARET RESTOR, also at 590 Providence Street, West Warwick, Rhode Island, a friend. During the course of the visit, one PAUL SORSE of Newport, Rhode Island, spoke of an intended visit of President KENNEDY to Fort Worth, Texas. SORSE asked REIS in the presence of only REIS and RESTOR of her feeling toward the President. Upon answering that she liked him, SORSE said it would make no difference as he would get it when he goes there. Also during the conversation RESTOR spoke the name OSWALD with no specifics. REIS advised that while she and RESTOR had been friends, trouble arose between them terminating their friendship and she indicated RESTOR had taken a hostile attitude toward her since the time of the trouble.

During the time of the interview BEATRICE REIS was hysterical and was crying. She was very much upset regarding the death of President KENNEDY and advised she had been viewing and listening to television and radio broadcasts of the events following the assassination of the President. REIS was uncertain and incoherent about the date the alleged conversation took place and the context of SORSE's conversation, particularly any connection of the word OSWALD with the name of the late accused slayer of the President, or any information regarding the background of instant OSWALD, or any additional names or pertinent information.

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On 11/24/63 at West Warwick, Rhode Island File # BS 89-43  
 by SA JAMES F. MC MAHON/  
SA JOSEPH A. OXLEY/ejb Date dictated 11/25/63



Re: PORFIRIO PALLAN SORSE, also  
known as Paul Sorse  
Newport, Rhode Island

Date 11/25/63

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PORFIRIO PALLAN SORSE, also known as Paul, born June 2, 1900 at Valladolid, Phillipine Islands, Certificate of Naturalization No. 8342168, dated August 28, 1961, at Providence, Rhode Island, with United States Navy service from July 6, 1918 to August 11, 1919, NSN 193-39-71, who resides at 57 Thames Street, Newport, Rhode Island, was interviewed on November 24, 1963. SORSE advised he is currently employed at Christie's Restaurant on Thames Street in Newport as a cook, and was formerly employed in that capacity at the Newport Motor Inn and by CORNELIUS C. MOORE, Attorney and Banker in Newport, and JELKE F. FRAZIER, Financier, also of Newport. SORSE is also a manufacturer of a product known as Copure, a coconut oil product for application to skin and hair, for which he holds a United States patent.

SORSE admitted knowing MARGARET RESTOR and visiting at her home at 590 Providence Street, West Warwick, on numerous occasions extending over the past few years. He denied making any statements to anyone regarding President KENNEDY's trip to any place including Texas. SORSE claimed no knowledge of any such trips. He expressed great admiration for President KENNEDY and said the only time he ever saw KENNEDY was in a crowd at St. Mary's Church, Newport, Rhode Island, in the summer of 1963. He stated he had no other contact, conversation or viewing of President KENNEDY.

SORSE disclaimed any knowledge of or connection with the assassination of LEE HARVEY OSWALD, or any other persons in Texas. He could furnish no information or any pertinent names or activities concerning instant assassination. He stated the only time he had been in Texas was in 1926, when employed as a mess boy on a ship entering the harbor at Galveston. SORSE advised he has been a resident of Newport since about 1937, and has a son, PAUL, presently serving with the United States Air Force in Europe.

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On 11/24/63 at Newport, Rhode Island File # BS 89-43  
by SA JAMES F. MC MAHON/  
SA JOSEPH A. OXLEY/ejb Date dictated 11/25/63

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Re: PORFIRIO PALLAN SORSE,  
also known as Paul Sorse  
Newport, Rhode Island

MARGARET RESTOR, 40 Second Point Road, Warwick, Rhode Island, advised she formerly lived at 590 Providence Street, West Warwick for 4½ years prior to moving to her present address in August, 1963. She advised she has known PAUL SORSE for about 21 years, [since the time he was the father of her child, PAUL SORSE, born out of wedlock] and that SORSE has visited at her home on a number of occasions. She said she has not seen him for about two weeks and said that he works as a cook.

RESTOR spoke highly of SORSE and stated she and her husband had vouched for him when he became a citizen of the United States in August, 1961. She advised that to her knowledge SORSE never expressed any ill feeling toward the United States Government or any of its officials. She stated that he served in the United States Navy and was honorably discharged. In addition, she advised that to her knowledge SORSE has no criminal background; that he does not mix too much with people, and she knew of no friends of SORSE who would have a criminal background.

RESTOR advised that during some of the visits by SORSE to her home, BEATRICE REIS was also present but at no time during any of the visits did SORSE make any statements about or against any governmental official, including the President, while BEATRICE REIS was present. RESTOR stated she does not know anyone with the first or last name of OSWALD, and at no time has she referred to that name in any conversation at her home in the presence of either REIS and/or SORSE. She advised she could furnish no information that would be helpful in resolving the reason for the facts surrounding the assassination of President KENNEDY.

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On 11/25/63 at Warwick, Rhode Island File # BS 89-43  
 by SA JAMES F. MC MAHON/ Date dictated 11/25/63  
SA JOSEPH A. OXLEY/aib

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Re: PORFIRIO PALLAN SORSE, also known  
as Paul Sorse  
Newport, Rhode Island

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents JAMES F. MC MAHON and JOSEPH A. OXLEY of the Federal Bureau of Investigation on November 25, 1963:

FRANCIS X. SULLIVAN, owner and operator of the Newport Motor Inn, 936 West Main Road, Middletown, Rhode Island, advised he has known PAUL SORSE for a number of years as a resident of Newport, Rhode Island. He said he knew him to be employed at Christie's Restaurant and also at his Motor Inn for the winter season of about November, 1962, through June, 1963, when he left and returned to employment at Christie's. He stated that some time previously he was employed as a cook by Newport Attorney CORNELIUS MOORE. He said that in all the time he had known SORSE he had never known him to be involved in any type of criminal action or to possess a violent nature in any respect. He thought SORSE to be "meek, mousey." He could furnish no other information regarding SORSE's associates or activities that would be of assistance to this investigation.

STEPHEN F. CHRISTIE, owner and operator of Christie's Restaurant, 351 Thames Street, Newport, Rhode Island, advised PAUL SORSE has been currently employed as a cook since December 24, 1960, except for a period of months when he was employed at the Newport Motor Inn, until his re-employment at Christie's in June, 1963. He stated he considered SORSE a quiet person who had not been involved in any type of trouble. He also said he had not heard him make any statements or take any action adverse to the best interests of the United States, or any of its officials. He said he could furnish no information about SORSE's friends or activities.

Captain PAUL SULLIVAN, in charge of the Detective Division, Newport, Rhode Island Police Department, advised he had known SORSE as a resident of Thames Street, Newport, and as a producer of a coconut oil preparation, but he could furnish no information about his friends, associates, or activities. He said to his knowledge SORSE had not been involved in any type of trouble and he further stated the records of the Newport Police Department contain no record for SORSE.

JOHN FLANAGAN, Rhode Island Bureau of Criminal Identification, Providence County Courthouse, Providence, Rhode Island, a central clearinghouse of criminal and arrest records for the State of Rhode Island, advised the files of that office reflect no record for SORSE.



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Map Furnished W. J. STOLP  
By Unknown Individual,  
Dallas, Texas, which Reportedly  
Has Route Marked Almost  
Identical to Route Taken by  
President KENNEDY Just Prior  
to Assassination

On February 20, 1964, Mr. W. J. STOLP, a sales representative for the Special Products Division, Eastman Kodak Company, Rochester, New York, advised SA ROBERT G. AULENBACHER that he and his wife arrived via air in Dallas, Texas, on official company business at approximately midnight, November 7, 1963. They remained there all of the remainder of that day and the following day, which was November 8, until approximately 4:30 or 5:00 p.m., at which time they left Dallas via automobile for a nearby city, where they made air connections and eventually returned to Rochester, New York. Mr. STOLP advised that upon his arrival at Dallas at about midnight, November 7, 1963, he rented an automobile from either the Avis or the Hertz Companies, and approximately 4:30 p.m. on November 8, 1963, he returned to the Dallas Airport for the purpose of meeting his wife to drive to the nearby city. While he was waiting for his wife, he went up to the counter of either the Avis or Hertz Company, which is located at the Dallas Airport and asked them how to get to a nearby city. The individual whose identity he does not know, then reached in a rack along side, took out the map and explained to him how to get from the airport to some express highways for the purpose of going to the nearby city. Mr. STOLP stated that it was only a day or so ago that he was going through his belongings and came across the map which was given to him at that particular time. Upon looking at this map, he noticed what, in his opinion, was a rather peculiar situation. It will be noted that in the middle of the map is a small "x" marked in ink. He stated that the spot in this "x" is in the approximate area of either the Statler Hotel or the Hertz Garage in downtown Dallas. The little red square immediately to the right of the "x" is, in his opinion, the City Hall. He then pointed out to the ink line running between the "x" and the

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little red square, proceeding outwardly for a short space and then turning left and proceeds then almost to highway 35E. He stated that these markings were on the map at the time he received it, however, he never realized until just recently that the ink line is, as far as he can recall, almost identical to the route taken by former President KENNEDY, just prior to his assassination.

Mr. STOLP advised that he does not attach any significance to this map, that he could never identify the clerk at either the Hertz or the Avis Companies at the Airport, from which he got the map, but desired to make this information and the map available to the FBI for any possible use or investigative purpose it may serve.

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An examination of the map of Dallas, furnished by W. J. STOLP, was made by SA PAUL E. WULF on May 18, 1964. It was noted the "x" appears on Commerce Street, one block west of the City Hall, which is located at the corner of Harwood and Commerce Streets. The ink line runs from the "x" to Harwood Street, then left or north on Harwood a distance of two blocks, then left or west on Elm Street to a point west of Houston Street where the access road to Stemmons Freeway is located.

It is noted the Presidential Motorcade proceeded west on Main Street in downtown Dallas. In addition, according to information appearing on page 5 of the report of SA ROBERT P. GEMBERLING, dated November 30, 1963, at Dallas, Texas, under the caption LEE HARVEY OSWALD; ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY, NOVEMBER 22, 1963, DALLAS, TEXAS; ASSAULTING A FEDERAL OFFICER, the route of the Motorcade was selected on November 19, 1963, and information regarding the route appeared in Dallas newspapers November 20, 1963.



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RTM:hss

RE: ROBERT TEAL

The following letter was directed to the Director of the FBI under date of December 9, 1963, from LOUIS B. MOODY, Route 3, Blountsville, Alabama:

LOUIS B. MOODY

"Dear Sir:

I would like to inform you that I know a man here who came back from Texas a few days before the president was assasinated and advocated that a groupe of people would kill the president while in Texas. Also that a groupe of people there in Alabama cheered the death of the president, I regret very much that I didn't learn this until the moment the news came that the president was Dead. These people let out and made many remarks about it, therefore, I am of the opinion some     the people here are connected with those in Texas in the assasination.

As the conditions exist I am not able to come to your office. If you would like to discuss this with me pleas let me know or hear from you at your earliest conviénance.

I seriously would like to help find all that are involved in his murder.

Sincerely yours

Louis B. Moody "

MOODY was located on December 16, 1963, and further advised as follows:

He advised that the man to whom he referred as having returned from Texas a few days before the President was assasinated was one ROBERT TEAL, Route 3, Blountsville, Alabama. He advised he believed that TEAL is a member of the Teamsters Union in the United Mine Workers Union and that he, MOODY, could not recall TEAL's exact words except that MOODY claims TEAL made some statement that he and his family were glad the President

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was killed. He advised that he did not know what group TEAL was referring to as having advocated the killing of the President and stated TEAL would have to furnish this information if he would.

During the interview with MOODY, he kept getting off the subject of the interview and kept wanting to talk about all of the trouble the United Mine Workers Union had given him and repeatedly stated he was certain TEAL was a member of the Union and that TEAL had kept him from working in the past and from mining coal in this area.

MOODY was unable to furnish the names of any of the persons in this area connected with anyone in Texas as regards the assassination of the President. He stated he felt that the United States Senators, U. S. Representatives, Alabama State Legislators, and other high officials were in "cahoots" with those in Texas that killed the President. He was unable to give any reason for this other than his own suspicions.

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ROBERT TEAL, Route 3, Blountsville, Alabama, was advised that he did not have to make any statement; that any statement he did make could be used in a court of law against him, and that he had the right to consult an attorney prior to making a statement.

After being advised of the identity of interviewing Agent, TEAL advised that he knew why the Agent was there and that it was concerning a statement he had made just prior to President KENNEDY going to Texas, just before he was assassinated. TEAL advised he had worked at construction work for several months in Texas, particularly around the Dallas-Fort Worth area. He stated, however, that he returned from Texas in April, 1963, and has not been back to Texas since that time.

He advised he was around a group of persons picking cotton in the Blountsville, Alabama, area in November, 1963, when the subject came up about President KENNEDY going to Texas. He said he made the statement in front of several persons to the effect that "KENNEDY had better watch out in Texas, as those people down there are fed up with him and don't like niggers anyway." He stated what he meant was that after having lived in Texas a short period of time he found that most of the people he was around or came in contact with did not want integration and did not like the President because of his Civil Rights stand. He stated that he, personally, has no first-hand knowledge of the assassination. He further stated that his family had been accused by LOUIS MOODY of cheering when the President had been killed.

TEAL advised he would like to get this straightened out and related that on the date of the assassination someone told him about the shooting of the President and he replied, "That was quite a joke", as he thought someone was just kidding with him. He stated he did not believe this and passed it off as a joke until later in the afternoon when he heard the news on the radio.

TEAL stated he regretted that there had been a misunderstanding in this matter.

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On 12/16/63 at Blountsville, Alabama File # BH 89-45  
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 by SA ROBERT T. MORAN - HSS Date dictated 12/17/63



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RTM:hss

Mrs. ROBERT ~~TEAL~~, Route 3, Blountsville, Alabama, who was present during the interview with her husband, confirmed the information as furnished by ROBERT TEAL to SA ROBERT T. MORAN. Both Mrs. TEAL and her husband stated they assumed that LOUIS MOODY was the person who reported Mr. TEAL. They stated there had been "hard feelings" between the MOODY and TEAL families.

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RE: THOMAS LLOYD THOMSON

The following information supplements that appearing on pages 1000-1010 of the report of SA ROBERT P. GEMBERLING, Dallas, dated May 15, 1964.



Date June 1, 1964

Sgt. VERNON HOLLOWAY, Jail Annex, Maricopa County Sheriff's Office, 3319 W. Durango, Phoenix, Arizona, advised that all mail being sent out of the jail by the prisoners incarcerated there is censored by him. On May 28, 1964 Sgt. HOLLOWAY noted the following letter being sent by THOMAS LLOYD THOMSON, who is presently serving a sentence imposed on a charge of assault with a deadly weapon. THOMAS L. THOMSON

"3319 West Durango  
Phoenix, Arizona 85009  
May 27, 1964

"Life Magazine  
Editor in Chief  
510 N. Michigan Ave.  
Chicago, Illinois 60611

Sir:

"Your recent editorial regarding the automatic reappointment of J. Edgar Hoover aroused me to express my reasons for not believing in his infallibility and that of his corps; and to question LIFE, as a representative of the press, as to why the FBI and, for that matter, the Secret Service, escaped the scrutiny and vilification of the press for completely 'dropping the ball' re the ugly demise of our beloved John F. Kennedy. In the final analysis, these agencies were mostly responsible for the ex-president's death because of leadership at the top that approaches senility and the resultant incompetence in some parts of their rank and file. I offer the following personal reasons for arriving at this conclusion, to wit:

"While employed as an Engineering Writer for the General Dynamics Corporation in Fort Worth, Texas, I was informed by a colleague that 'an ex-marine who spent a couple of years in Russia is right here in Texas and no one seems to know or care about it.' I never forgot the name of the 'ex-marine' because I associated it with a manufacturer by the same name for whom I had worked in New York years past. I informed my wife of

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On 5/28/64 at Phoenix, Arizona File # PX 89-42

by SA CALVIN W. EVANS/rfb Date dictated June 1, 1964



my finding and told her that I was suspicious of the information. Against my wife's insistence that I had too vivid an imagination, I called the FBI and informed them of my conversation with the aforementioned colleague. My call was treated lightly and I felt guilty endangering the character of my associate. (Oddly enough, this same associate maliciously placed a magazine cut-out of Fidel Castro's head in mosaic with a portrait of JFK at his white house desk; the latter also from LIFE) and which I kept on my desk.)

"On November 22, 1963 I called the FBI and submitted the name of my questionable co-worker as possibly knowing, or having something to do with, the assassin of Big John. Having imbibed excessively to drown my grief of the president's death, I irrationally responded to the incitations of television media that the extreme right wing were inextricably involved in the shooting and forthwith attempted to splinter the plate-glass windows of the American Opinion Library (John Birch Society) with a .357 six-shooter. These events occurred in Phoenix, Arizona.

"While serving 120 days in the Phoenix city jail for 'malicious mischief and driving while intoxicated', a Mr. Walters of the U. S. Secret Service visited me re my reports to the FBI. I reported my knowledge to this elderly gentleman and he informed me the the Secret Service 'had no knowledge whatsoever of Oswald's existence'. The agent didn't seem acute mentally and had drawn seven circles in a black note book that more resembled rackets than circles. (In explanation, I reported to the FBI and SS that I 'was going' to make a phone call to the FBI in the summer of '63, but that my wife had 'talked me out of it.' By virtue of the vegetation of incarceration, however, I recalled that I did, in fact, make the call.) Also, I requested an interview by the FBI in the early part of this year, which was granted, because I thought my civil rights were being denied in that I was being held without trial for an additional crime that was never committed. (I subsequently plead guilty to the latter on the erroneous advise of my court-appointed attorney, who was clandestinely cooperating with the district attorney to 'see that he gets six months.')



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"In the case of this citizen, I cannot exonerate the FBI for not keeping a close surveillance on Oswald, especially since I PERSONALLY informed them of his existence; or the heads of the FBI and Secret Service for such faulty lines of communication. Unless Mr. Walters was putting me on, one would think these agencies would coordinate their information in such crucial assignments as guarding our president.

"I am one-hundred percent behind you: I think J. Edgar Hoover should be forced to retire to make room for more vigorous leadership. Senility and organizational rigidity in these agencies has reared its head in a most ugly fashion. The press certainly denigrated everyone else for JFK's murder; why should the failure of these 'protective agencies' go without public scolding?

"Respectfully,

/s/ Thomas L. Thomson

Thomas Lloyd Thomson'

Sgt. HOLLOWAY stated that this letter would be mailed on the evening of May 28, 1964 and sent to "Life Magazine"

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DBC:cm;ds

RE: UNKNOWN MALE ON FLIGHT #20  
BRANIFF AIRLINES, FROM  
HOUSTON TO DALLAS, TEXAS,  
NOVEMBER 21, 1963

CORNELIUS ~~X~~LENNON, 108 Spruce Street, Watertown,  
Massachusetts, advised SA FREDERICK M. CONNORS of the  
Boston Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation on  
November 22, 1963, that he was on Flight #20, Braniff  
Airlines, from Houston, Texas, on November 21, 1963.  
A male individual who boarded the flight at Houston  
and departed at Dallas, Texas, occupying seat 15-C,  
indicated his displeasure with the President. He  
commented that he was not liked and that they were  
concerned about the President's welfare during his visit  
to Texas. He said it was obvious there was concern as  
the Vice President was coming to Texas on a separate  
flight.

The occupant of seat 15-C is described as a  
white male, fifty-five to sixty years of age, five feet  
ten inches in height, weighing one hundred sixty pounds,  
with grey hair. This individual did not make any specific  
threats, but simply indicated his dislike for the President.



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On November 23, 1963, Mr. LOYD ~~EDEN~~, Assistant Treasurer, Braniff Airways, Inc., Dallas, Texas, was telephonically contacted at his home by SA ROBERT C. LISH, at which time he advised that he is in charge of all ticket records for the company.

Mr. EDEN stated Flight 20 is jet from Houston to Dallas, and, due to the fact this flight is only in the air for a short 40-minute period between Houston and Dallas, time does not permit the hostesses to ascertain the names of the persons who may occupy each individual seat number.

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Re: UNKNOWN SUBJECT, ALSO KNOWN AS "L.C.";  
LETTER POSTMARKED DECEMBER 3, 1963, AT  
FORT WORTH, TEXAS, DIRECTED TO JACK  
RUBY, DALLAS COUNTY JAIL, DALLAS, TEXAS;  
PRESIDENT LYNDON B. JOHNSON - VICTIM;  
SHERIFF BILL DECKER - VICTIM



1Date 1/3/64

Sheriff J. E. (BILL) DECKER, Dallas County Sheriff's Office, made available a copy of the following letter which was received at the Dallas County Jail, Dallas, Texas, directed to JACK RUBY, Dallas County Jail, which letter was postmarked December 3, 1963, at Fort Worth, Texas:

"Jack

"Don't worry we will get you out even if we have to blow up the whole city. We will be there the 9th\_ be ready\_ don't be a fool like Lee. we have all the connections and as far as Prest. Johnson it will be done right this time\_ We are in Ft. Worth now, if any one reads this don't talk. You have done a good job so far. we will go to Mexico when this is over. Tell Howard stop talking so much\_ we don't need him. We got Decker all planned out\_ He is as good as dead. dont do any thing nasty. They might not have told you but they think Lee done all the shooting. They know a lot but not all. We are bringing it with us. Dont get scared like Lee\_ he did the job but not all of it. He didn't get Johnson. We will take care of Connally before we see you. Look for us. There will be 4 (circled).

"signed L.C."

Sheriff DECKER stated the original of the above letter had not been shown to JACK RUBY and Sheriff DECKER did not give any indication the original of the letter would be shown to RUBY, who is an inmate in the Dallas County Jail at the present time, charged with the murder of LEE HARVEY OSWALD, accused assassin of former President JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY.

Sheriff DECKER retained the original of the above communication and he advised he is cognizant of its content and, further, he had made the contents of this letter available to ~~appropriate state and local authorities.~~

on 12/20/63 at Dallas, Texas

File # DL 89-43

by Special Agent CHARLES T. BROWN, JR./wvm;ds

Date dictated 12/27/63

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The content of the letter was discussed with Assistant United States Attorney B. H. ~~TIMMINS~~, JR., Northern District of Texas, Dallas, Texas, December 20, 1963, and Mr. ~~TIMMINS~~, in consultation with United States Attorney H. ~~BAREFOOT~~ SANDERS, ~~TEX.~~ advised SA KENNETH C. HOWE from the language and tenor of the letter it appeared that the writer and/or person depositing the letter in the mail may have intended to convey a threat to injure or kill President LYNDON B. ~~JOHNSON~~, Governor JOHN ~~CONNALLY~~, ~~TEX.~~ and/or Sheriff BILL DECKER, Dallas County, Texas. Assistant United States Attorney ~~TIMMINS~~ advised further it was believed by him and United States Attorney SANDERS that an investigation should be conducted to attempt to determine the identity of the person or persons causing the letter to be delivered, and the intent of such person concerning the possible threats contained in the letter, in order that a positive determination could be made in this case.

EXPLAINED  
TEX  
D.C.



Date 1/13/64

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FORT WORTH, TEXAS  
 KAREN LYNN CARLIN, 3809 Meadowbrook, was advised DP 0137-20  
 that she did not have to make a statement, that any state-MENT/DOUG  
 ment she did make could be used against her in court, and  
 of her right to consult an attorney before making any state-MENT.  
 She advised she is also known as KAREN LYNN BENNETT,  
 KAREN KARLIN, LYNN CARLIN, Mrs. BRUCE RAY CARLIN, and "LITTLE  
 LYNN." CARLIN stated in the past she has been employed as an  
 exotic dancer or "stripper" and she has performed in the Carousel  
 Club, Dallas, Texas, formerly operated by JACK RUBY.

Mrs. BENNETT  
 CARLIN said she was called as a defense witness at  
 a bond hearing for JACK RUBY at the Dallas County Courthouse  
 on December 23, 1963. She stated at that time a Dallas County  
 Deputy Sheriff found an old pistol in her pocketbook. As the  
 result of the finding of this weapon, she received considerable  
 publicity in connection with the JACK RUBY trial. CARLIN stated  
 this was an old gun which was unloaded, which she had placed in  
 her purse on some unrecalled date, and she had forgotten the gun  
 was in her purse.

CARLIN denied she had anything whatsoever to do with  
 the writing of a letter which was directed to JACK RUBY at the  
 Dallas County Jail, Dallas, Texas, which was postmarked December  
 3, 1963, at Fort Worth, Texas. CARLIN stated she has never had  
 any enmity toward RUBY and under no circumstances would she  
 write such a letter to RUBY. CARLIN stated she has always en-  
 deavored to be law-abiding and under no circumstances would she  
 want to become involved with a violation of the law in any way.

CARLIN said she has known JACK RUBY for approximately  
 eighteen months and she worked for him at the Carousel Club,  
 where she performed under the name of "LITTLE LYNN" for a period  
 of two or three months prior to November, 1963. CARLIN said she  
 is expecting the birth of a baby within the next few months and,  
 for that reason, she has not been performing as an entertainer  
 and, further, her husband, BRUCE CARLIN, does not desire her to  
 perform as an exotic dancer.

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on 1/3/64 at Fort Worth, Texas File # DL 83-43

by Special Agent B CHARLES T. BROWN, JR., & Date dictated 1/3/64  
EARLE HALZY/wzm/sah

CARLIN said she knows there are several people living in Fort Worth at the present time, or who have lived in Fort Worth in the past, who regard her as an enemy and she felt any one of those persons could have written the type letter which was written to JACK RUBY postmarked December 3, 1963, at Fort Worth, Texas. CARLIN said her best suspect would be an individual by the name of JERRY-HARRIS BUNKER, whom she and her husband suspect as having made several telephone calls to the CARLIN residence within the past few weeks attempting to cause trouble between the CARLINS.

CARLIN said she and BRUCE CARLIN have received seven or eight of these calls and, in some instances, the caller has impersonated a woman's voice in talking with BRUCE CARLIN, at which time the person made many false claims against the reputation of KAREN in trying to cause friction between KAREN and her husband.

CARLIN said she is unable to account for the personal dislike many persons have for her, except she had "taken" the boyfriends of several other girls which has lead to considerable jealousy on the part of these girls.

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CARLIN continued another person who may have written such a letter would be one JOY DALE, who was recently married, and is four months pregnant. DALE is located somewhere in the State of Minnesota at the present time, possibly Minneapolis, Minnesota. CARLIN said she believed DALE was writing to JACK RUBY at one time, although she had no reason to believe there was any animosity between DALE and JACK RUBY.

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She stated another individual who may have written this letter would be one "FAT KIRKWOOD" who operates a tavern in Fort Worth known as the "Collar." CARLIN said KIRKWOOD has a shady reputation in Fort Worth and she would not put it past KIRKWOOD to write such a letter, although she did not know of any animosity between KIRKWOOD and RUBY.

CARLIN said any of the above persons, in addition to other girls whom she has met in her profession, has a strong



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dislike for CARLIN and any of these persons could have written such a letter to try to place suspicion or blame on CARLIN to "get even."

CARLIN said with regard to her "marriage" to BRUCE CARLIN they are not actually married and have been living together for several months as common-law man and wife. CARLIN said she was first married when she was fourteen years old, and she does not know the present whereabouts of her parents.

She furnished the following descriptive information concerning herself:

|                    |                                    |
|--------------------|------------------------------------|
| Born:              | 7/20/44, Chattanooga, Tennessee    |
| Race:              | White                              |
| Sex:               | Female                             |
| Height:            | 5'1"                               |
| Weight:            | 92 lbs.                            |
| Hair:              | Dark blonde                        |
| Eyes:              | Blue                               |
| Complexion:        | Fair                               |
| Teeth:             | Good                               |
| Previous husbands: | LARRY BENNETT, whereabouts unknown |
| Education:         | 7th grade <u>U.S.A.</u>            |

KAREN LYNN CARLIN voluntarily furnished handwriting specimens after she had been advised she did not have to furnish such specimens, that any specimens she did furnish could be used against her in a court of law, and further that she had the right to consult an attorney before furnishing such specimens. CARLIN stated she would gladly furnish such specimens, inasmuch as she knows she had nothing to do with the preparation of this letter, and she desired to cooperate with investigating officers in any way possible to clear up this matter.

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BRUCE CARLIN, 3809 Meadowbrook, was advised that he did not have to make a statement, that any statement he did make could be used against him in court, and of his right to consult an attorney before making any statement.

BRUCE CARLIN

FORT WORTH, TEXAS

He advised at the present time he is living as common-law man and wife with KAREN LYNN CARLIN. CARLIN stated he is unable to furnish any information which might assist in identifying the person or persons responsible for writing a letter to JACK RUBY at the Dallas County Jail, Dallas, Texas, which letter was postmarked December 3, 1963. CARLIN said in the last few weeks he and KAREN CARLIN have received seven or eight telephone calls, in which calls the person calling was making an effort to cause friction between himself and KAREN CARLIN. He continued apparently someone is jealous of his relationship with KAREN CARLIN and someone has a strong desire to cause trouble for them, or to cause friction between them. CARLIN said his best suspect in regard to the telephone calls is a co-worker of his by the name of JERRY HARRIS BUNKER, who formerly dated KAREN CARLIN. CARLIN said BUNKER was observed in close proximity to a telephone booth on one occasion shortly after KAREN CARLIN had received one of these telephone calls, and there was every indication BUNKER had made the call. CARLIN said he has heard some mutual friends state BUNKER is an "odd individual."

CARLIN said that, with the exception of JERRY BUNKER, he would not know anyone else who might have written a letter to JACK RUBY at the Dallas County Jail from Fort Worth, Texas, postmarked December 3, 1963.

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by Special Agent & CHARLES T. BROWN, JR., & EARLE Date dictated 1/9/64

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JERRY HARRIS ~~BUNKER~~ was advised that he did not have to make a statement, that any statement he did make could be used against him in a court of law, and that he had the right to consult an attorney. He stated he resides at 3108 Cockrell, Fort Worth, at the present time. He operates a drug service and works out of his home at 3108 Cockrell. BUNKER emphatically denied he had ever written a communication of any type to JACK RUBY at the Dallas County Jail, Dallas, Texas, and stated more specifically he did not write a letter to JACK RUBY at the Dallas County Jail, which was postmarked December 3, 1963, and contained threats against President LYNDON B. JOHNSON, Sheriff BILL DECKER, Dallas County, Texas, and Governor JOHN CONNALLY.

~~JERRY~~ BUNKER said he was at a loss to understand who would write a letter of this type, and he advised he is unable to furnish the identity of any person or persons who would write such a letter. BUNKER stated he is acquainted with KAREN LYNN CARLIN and her husband, BRUCE CARLIN, and his friendship with these persons has continued on a friendly basis for some period of time. BUNKER was advised he did not have to furnish handwriting specimens, that any handwriting specimens furnished by him could be used against him in a court of law, and further that he had the right to consult an attorney before furnishing any handwriting. He stated he had no objection to furnishing any specimens and he desired to clear up any suspicions whatsoever that he may have written a letter to JACK RUBY and, further, he would voluntarily furnish handwriting specimens for examination in connection with this letter.

BUNKER furnished the following background information concerning himself:

|              |                                    |
|--------------|------------------------------------|
| Race:        | White                              |
| Sex:         | Male                               |
| Nationality: | American                           |
| Birth date:  | October 2, 1935, Fort Worth, Texas |
| Height:      | 5'8"                               |

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| Weight:         | 170   |
| Hair:           | Dark, graying at temples  |
| Eyes:           | Blue  |
| Complexion:     | Fair  |
| Teeth:          | Good  |
| Scars & marks:  | None visible <i>U.S.A. SEP 11/1915 Bunk</i>   |
| Wife:           | BARBARA BUNKER  |
| Marital status: | Separated   |
| Parents:        | <i>MAYMO</i> FRANK W. and JUNE BUNKER,<br>Imperial Terrace Apartments,<br>Fort Worth, Texas |

F BUNKER



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By communication January 16, 1964, Dallas furnished to the FBI Laboratory, Washington, D. C., a copy of the letter directed to JACK RUBY, Dallas County Jail, postmarked December 3, 1963, at Fort Worth, Texas, along with handwriting specimens obtained from KAREN LYNN CARLIN and JERRY HARRIS BUNKER. The FBI Laboratory was also requested to compare the handwriting appearing in questioned letter with known handwriting of CURTIS LAVERNE CRAWFORD, who was identified as a former close associate in Dallas of JACK RUBY. TEX

By communication January 30, 1964, the FBI Laboratory advised Dallas as follows with regard to an examination of the questioned letter and handwriting specimens submitted:

- "Qc1 Photocopy of an envelope postmarked "FORT WORTH TEX. DEC 3 5 PM 1963" bearing hand printed and handwritten address 'MR Jack RUBY Dallas County Jail, Dallas Texas' and accompanying two-page handwritten letter beginning 'Don't worry we will get you out...' and ending on second page '... there will be 4. signed L.C.'
- "K1 Two sheets of paper bearing known handwriting of KAREN LYNN CARLIN
- "K2 Two sheets of paper bearing known handwriting of JERRY HARRIS BUNKER

"Result of examinations:

"Qc1 was not identified in the Anonymous Letter File. Appropriate photographs will be added to this file.

"It was concluded that Qc1 was not written by the writers of K1 and K2."

By communication dated January 30, 1964, the FBI Laboratory advised Dallas it was concluded that the questioned letter received by JACK RUBY was not written by CURTIS LAVERNE CRAWFORD.

Date 2/20/641DALLAS, TEXAS

Sheriff J. E. (BILL) DECKER, Dallas County Sheriff's Office, advised he did not desire JACK RUBY be interviewed regarding a letter directed to him at the Dallas County Jail, which letter was postmarked December 3, 1963. Sheriff DECKER explained that, because of intense newspaper coverage of the activities of JACK RUBY in connection with his impending trial at Dallas for the murder of LEE HARVEY OSWALD, accused assassin of former President JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY, he did not feel such interview should be conducted.

Sheriff DECKER said he felt the letter directed to JACK RUBY on December 3, 1963, from Fort Worth was sent as a "prank" and he did not feel it warranted the hazard of undue publicity which might result from an interview with RUBY. Sheriff DECKER stated that in the event newspapermen learned of the letter he felt the matter could be "blown out of proportion" and no advantage would be served to anyone.

Sheriff DECKER stated he did not desire RUBY be contacted and interviewed as to the possible identity of the person or persons who may have been responsible for writing this letter for reasons stated above. Sheriff DECKER further advised he has not shown the letter to RUBY for the reasons stated above, and he did not intend showing the letter to RUBY since he has considered the matter a "prank" from the outset and his belief has been borne out by the failure of person or persons to carry out the threat set forth in the letter that "...we will be there the 9th."

DECKER stated that, if at all possible, he did not desire any further action be taken in this matter for the reasons he stated above.

Sheriff DECKER pointed out numerous "prank" letters have been received by law enforcement agencies in Dallas following the assassination of President KENNEDY, and he felt this is just one more of the "prank" letters which have been received.

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 by Special Agent CHARLES T. BROWN, JR./wva/eah Date dictated 2/14/64



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On February 20, 1964, the facts in this case were discussed with Assistant United States Attorney B. H. TIMMINS, JR., Northern District of Texas, Dallas, Texas, by SA CHARLES T. BROWN, JR., at which time he advised it appeared no further investigation is warranted in this matter. However, he stated information obtained in the investigation would be presented by him to the Department of Justice, Washington, D. C., for final decision.

On April 16, 1964, Assistant United States Attorney B. H. TIMMINS, JR., advised SA BROWN he telephonically communicated with officials of the Department of Justice, Washington, D. C., at which time he discussed this case. Assistant United States Attorney TIMMINS stated, after discussing this case with officials of the Department of Justice in Washington, in his opinion no further investigation was warranted.

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Re: Unknown Youth in Late Model Black Convertible,  
on Central Expressway, Dallas, Texas, 1:25 PM,  
November 22, 1963



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RE: UNKNOWN YOUTH; Late Model Black  
Convertible, Central Expressway,  
Dallas, Texas, 1:25 PM, 11/22/63

AT DALLAS, TEXAS

The following letter was received by the Dallas Office  
on March 10, 1964:

"Federal Bureau of Investigation 3-9-64  
Dallas Texas

"Gentlemen:

"On November 22, 1963 my wife and I left the  
Presidents Luncheon immediately upon hearing of the  
assination attempt on my transistor radio. We  
proceeded to Richarson, Texas to get our children.  
We entered the Central Expressway at Northwest Hwy  
and at 125 PM a short distance north of NW Hwy on the  
expressway I noticed a late model black convertible  
proceeding at about 70 mph weaving in and out of  
traffic. The licence plate was Oklahoma 37-1963. The  
convertible top was loose and it rippled in the breeze  
badly. There was a young man in the car alone.

"Until the recent Times Herald article about a  
man fleeing from The Texas Book Depository I did not  
consider this observation worthy of reporting. I  
have not mentioned this matter to anyone; the event  
did not seem consequential as the automobile seemed  
only a little more hurried-typical of some teenager.

"/s/ James R. Ellis  
RI 92288 or DI 8-3374  
9622 Forestridge  
Dallas 38 Texas

The following investigation was conducted by Special  
Agent ALFRED D. NEELEY at Dallas:

On March 23, 1964, Mr. James R. Ellis, 9622 Forestridge,  
Telephone DI 8-3374, advised that he was unable to supply any  
additional information other than that set forth in his letter  
of March 9, 1964. He explained that he was certain that this  
was an Oklahoma License.

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He stated that he recalled the prefix 37 as the number worn by DOAK WALKER of Southern Methodist University (former all-American football player) and the other numerals 1963 he associated with the current year. He advised he was unable to identify the car, but stated it was a 1961-1963 black convertible and believed that it was of a General Motors make. TEY



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DHB:pw:eah

The following investigation was conducted by IC DWIGHT G. GARRETSON at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma:

MARGARET MC NERNEY, Records Clerk, Motor Vehicle Bureau, Oklahoma Tax Commission, advised on April 7, 1964, that Oklahoma automobile license tags do not begin with digit prefixes. She advised that the last year such tags were issued was 1962; however, commercial trucks and farm trucks are issued tags with digit prefixes.

She advised that 1962 Oklahoma license 37-1963 was registered to a 1953 Chevrolet two door, VIN B53K060123, owner - J. P. ~~HORROW~~, JR., P. O. Box 201, Disney, Oklahoma.

She advised that 1963 farm truck license number 371-963 was registered to a 1957 Chevrolet half-ton pickup, VIN 3A57K133330, owner - C. TRENT, Route 2, Atoka, Oklahoma. The farm plate for 1963 was of white background, with black numbers.

1Date 4/29/64

Mr. C. TRENT, Route 2, Atoka, Oklahoma, advised that he was a former owner of a 1957 Chevrolet half ton pickup truck bearing 1963 Oklahoma license 371-963. Mr. TRENT stated that he had sold this vehicle to ARTHUR HALE, a rancher, Route 4, Atoka, Oklahoma, in June, 1963. He stated he did not know the vehicle identification number inasmuch as the ownership papers were given to Mr. HALE at the time he purchased this truck.

Mr. TRENT stated that the 1963 Oklahoma license 371-963 was in fact on the vehicle when he sold it.

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On 4/27/64 at Atoka, Oklahoma File # OC 89-41  
by SA LEO W. USELDING:jj Date dictated 4/28/64

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1Date 4/29/64

ORVILLE HALE, Route 3, Atoka, Oklahoma, advised that he had purchased a 1957 Chevrolet half ton pickup truck, vehicle identification number 3A57K1336330 from Mr. C. TRENT of Atoka, Oklahoma, in the first part of June, 1963, which vehicle is still in the possession of Mr. HALE. Mr. HALE advised that the 1963 Oklahoma farm license 371-963 which was attached to this vehicle when he purchased it had not been stolen or lost but stated he had replaced this license number with the 1964 Oklahoma license which instant vehicle now bears.

Mr. HALE stated that he had removed the 1963 Oklahoma farm license 371-963 in February, 1964, at his home, which license tags he had destroyed.

Mr. HALE stated this vehicle has never been in Dallas, Texas, and has always been in his possession as it is the only vehicle that he owns. He stated he could furnish no information regarding this matter.

On 4/27/64 at Atoka, Oklahoma File # CC 89-41

by SA LEO W. USELDING:jj Date dictated 4/28/64

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RE: VANDALISM IN SCHOOLS  
IN HOUSTON AREA

The following investigation was conducted by  
• SA GRAHAM W. KITCHEL:

On November 27, 1963, Mr. GERALD JONES, Principal, Ralph Anderson Elementary School, 5727 Ludington, Houston, Texas, advised that, in light of the President's assassination, he thought the following information should be made available. He stated that three separate incidents, all of which are similar in nature, took place at the above school. He stated that between Friday evening, November 22, 1963, and Sunday morning, November 24, 1963, American flags in the school were torn down. He stated the flags were again torn down on Sunday afternoon, November 24, 1963, and on this occasion they were cut into ribbons. Again, between Monday evening and Tuesday morning, November 26, 1963, they were torn down and were stained with ink and duplicator liquids.

Mr. JONES said he could supply no additional information concerning the reasons or the persons involved in the commission of these acts.

The Houston Press for November 27, 1963, contained an article entitled "Vandals Desecrate Flag, Constitution." This article set out that vandals apparently deliberately desecrated every American flag and a framed copy of the United States Constitution in three separate break-ins at the Ralph Anderson Elementary School in the Westbury Addition of Houston, Texas.

GERALD JONES, Principal of the school, is reported as saying that this seems to be an act of anti-Americanism. The flag of the United States and the state flag of Texas were targets throughout the school in these acts of desecration.

JONES is further reported to have... stated that a framed copy of the Constitution of the United States was torn from the wall of the school's library and had been



battered against furniture, thrown on the floor, stomped upon, and ripped into threads.

JONES stated every one of the eight American flags hanging in the school's classrooms had been torn down, thrown to the floor, and some had been smeared with paint. In addition to the reviling of the flags, the school was turned into turmoil by the vandals, who wrote obscene words across the walls, and a great number of books were pulled from cases and thrown about the building in wild disorder. The initials "K.C.S." were scribbled on the floors, in lipstick. The clock in the principal's office was pried from the walls, and its parts strewn about the office. Desks were ransacked and ink poured on vast amounts of paper. Fire extinguishers were turned upside down and their chemicals emptied on the floors, walls and ceilings and on books.

JONES was reported to have stated that it is the desecration of the flags and the Constitution that hurts so deeply. It is apparent, he said, that we have to do a better job of instilling some of the basic American concepts in our young people than we have done in the past.

The article advised that Juvenile Division Captain C. P. ANDERSON is investigating this matter and stated that the initials "K.C.S." have also been painted outside of a Houston Police Substation in the general area of the Anderson Elementary School and on the exterior of the Johnson Junior High School in the same general area.

Officer T. J. HOLLINGSHEAD is reported to have stated that the initials "K.C.S." stand for "King Cutters," reportedly the mark of a gang of youths between the ages of 14 and 16.

The Houston Post for November 28, 1963, carried an article entitled "Less Than Fifteen Students Cheered, Landrum Says." This article stated that Dr. H. M. LANDRUM, Superintendent of the Spring Branch School District, had commented that the only cheers reported to his office came from "less than 15" of the 2,800 students at Memorial High School. He stated that approximately 22,000 students attend classes in that school district and all but a tiny

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minority shared the nation-wide reaction to the death of President KENNEDY. Dr. LANDRUM is reported stating that suddenly changing from prejudice to sorrow may be hard for an immature youngster, who has heard bitter political criticism of a man for three or four years. The cheering was probably just a spontaneous result of what the students had been hearing in their homes.

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LLB:DHA

DICK WATLEY  
3350 N.W. 18th Terrace  
Miami, Florida

On November 23, 1963, SID ~~MARKS~~, Gardena, California, advised that about 30 days ago or a little more he was in the private detective offices of DICK ~~HATHCOCK~~ at 6603 Hollywood Boulevard, Los Angeles, California. At this time an associate of HATHCOCK, ROY PAYNE, was there and prior to leaving asked MARKS and HATHCOCK if anyone had been in to get a rifle for \$50.00. PAYNE is white, male, 6'0" tall, 210 pounds, and shaved bald head.

After awhile an individual named "SKIP" came in and got a high powered rifle which looked identical to the one shown on television on November 23, 1963, as being used in the assassination of President KENNEDY. "SKIP" is MEX. male, Mexican, 6'0" tall, 40-45 years, slender, and a loud mouth.

Approx 1719-1924 CALL

On November 23, 1963, RICHARD HATHCOCK, Allied International Detectives, Suite 310, 6605 Hollywood Boulevard, Los Angeles, telephone number HO 4-5644, advised ROY ~~PAYNE~~ is his associate in the above enterprise. HATHCOCK advised as follows:

CALL

He, HATHCOCK, has known one DICK ~~WATLEY~~ for several years. WATLEY, to the best of HATHCOCK's information, currently resides at 3350 N.W. 18th Terrace in Miami, Florida. WATLEY is a male Caucasian.

Prior to HATHCOCK's present occupation, he was the proprietor of the Adventurers Corner, a shop at the corner of Sunset and La Brea, Los Angeles, which sold articles from all over the world and was an unofficial gathering place for adventurers in this area.



Shortly after the Bay of Pigs invasion in Cuba, WATLEY, whom HATHCOCK had not seen for some time, came into the Adventurers Corner and gave HATHCOCK a shoulder patch that had a skull and cross-bones on it plus the words, "Brigada Internationale." WATLEY told HATHCOCK that he had been in Guatemala instructing troops down there and that he had pulled out a week or two prior to the Bay of Pigs invasion and had not participated in the invasion.

HATHCOCK did not see WATLEY again until about seven or eight months ago when he came to HATHCOCK's office with two other men, all three of whom were wearing green fatigues and one of the men was wearing a "mohawk" hair cut. The men were interested in getting into the wild animal business and asked HATHCOCK where they could get some wild animals.

B. HATHCOCK - 1733-1734

FLA.  
CALL

Approximately one year ago, JERRY PATRICK, whose true name is JERRY HEMMING, a male Caucasian, approximately 30 to 31 years, 6'4" tall, 230 pounds, well built, curly brown hair, handsome, and LORENZO PASCILLIO, also known as LORENZO HALL and "SKIP" HALL, a male Caucasian, 35 to 42 years, 5'11" tall, 175 to 180 pounds, black hair, mustache, ruddy complexion from Wichita, Kansas, came into HATHCOCK's office which was then located at 6715 Hollywood Boulevard, stating that they were broke and that they knew DICK WATLEY and WATLEY had sent them to him. They had with them a set of golf clubs and a 30-06 Johnson Semi-automatic rifle with a Bushnell Variable Powered Scope. HATHCOCK loaned them \$100- \$50 on each item and it was his understanding they were to pick up the articles as soon as possible. HATHCOCK only saw JERRY PATRICK once after that and that was about one week later when he again came to the office.

Several months ago, since the men did not retrieve the articles, HATHCOCK sold the golf clubs. On September 18, 1963, LORENZO HALL came in with \$50 and retrieved the rifle. Shortly thereafter HATHCOCK received a telephone call from JERRY PATRICK who was then residing at 2450 N.W.

North River Drive, Miami, Florida, inquiring as to whether HATHCOCK still had the rifle. HATHCOCK told him that he had given the rifle to HALL for \$50 and this seemed to irritate PATRICK to some extent. Since then HATHCOCK has sent the receipt he received from HALL for the \$50 to PATRICK to convince him that he had returned the rifle.

On the day HALL retrieved the rifle, he sold him a Bolex Motion Picture Camera with telephoto lens which was then the property of HATHCOCK. HALL paid by two checks - one drawn on the Citizens Bank on the account of the Committee to Free Cuba in the amount of \$350 and another in the amount of \$150 on the account of a resident of La Habra. HATHCOCK gave HALL back \$100.

HATHCOCK advised both PATRICK and HALL are violently anti-communist and anti-Castro and they both told him they fought in the mountains with Castro in Cuba, however, fell out with him after the revolution. LORENZO told HATHCOCK he spent seven months in prison in Cuba, however, eventually got back to the United States. PATRICK stated that he fell out with Castro and eventually got back to the United States.

(HATHCOCK has Zerox copies of newspaper articles from Florida in his office concerning the anti-Castro troops training there and PATRICK's picture appears as one of the anti-Castro troops).

PATRICK, when in Los Angeles, had an address of 1209 South Atlantic, Alhambra, (Atlantic Radio & TV), telephone number AT 1-6421, and an address of in care of HOWARD K. DAVIS, 3350 N.W. 18th Terrace, Miami, Florida, telephone number NE 4-1373.

It is HATHCOCK's information that DAVIS was Castro's personal pilot and also a close friend of DICK WATLEY.



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LORENZO ~~HALL~~ now resides at 1191 College View Drive, Apartment 7, Monterey Park, California, telephone number 261-8911 and HATHCOCK does not know where he is now employed. He last saw HALL about two weeks ago when he came by HATHCOCK's office simply to talk.

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~~LORENZO HATHCOCK~~

~~SECRET~~

HATHCOCK reiterated that both men are anti-communist and very strongly anti-Castro.

No further investigation was conducted as it is obvious that the rifle mentioned above was not used in connection with the assassination of President KENNEDY.

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Re: Information from JOE BROWDER WILLIAMS  
Concerning Unknown Cab Driver, New  
Orleans, Louisiana, August, 1963