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P.O. Box 665
Decatur, Ga. 30031
July 21, 1964

F.B.I.
Cincinnati, Ohio

Dear F.B.I.:

The man who killed President John Fitzgerald Kennedy will be in Cincinnati Ohio July 24, 1964. I will be happy to identify him for you.

I live in DeKalb County, Lithonia, Ga. about five (5) miles out in the Country.

Please send me my fare to Cincinnati, Ohio and please tell me how to reach you when I arrive in Cincinnati. Send my fare immediately.

I'm light brown skin, brown eyes, black hair, ht. 5'3 in., wt. 110 lbs.

I sent Detective B.F. Corley, DeKalb County Police Station, Decatur, Ga. a special delivery and no answer at all.

I warn you this man has a black man following him who could be dangerous, also a white woman, heavy built, she wears a white uniform, white slippers, sometimes beige slippers, her hair in a Chignon (a ball). She wears a white sweater when it's cool. She has another white woman with her. She (the woman who wears her hair in a Chignon) is extremely dangerous, she carries a pistol in her pocket book. She follows President Kennedy's assassin everywhere acts like a body guard.

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"She was with the assassin when he assassinated President Kennedy. I'll show all of them to you.

"Please send me my fare by telegram. I'll leave for Cincinnati the same day I receive it. I'm unemployed. I have no income.

"Please do not have this announced over radio TV or printed in newspapers until he is captured. He tried to kill me before he killed President Kennedy. My leg still bruised.

"Sincerely Yours in the Lord,

"Mrs. Clinton Hudson"

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The following investigation was conducted by
Special Agent JOSEPH PATRICK AYERS:

On July 30, 1964, Mrs. CLINTON HUDSON was interviewed at her residence in DeKalb County, Georgia, near Lithonia, Georgia. Mrs. HUDSON stated she sent a letter to the Cincinnati, Ohio, Post Office to be forwarded to the FBI Office, as she was unaware there was an FBI Office in Atlanta, Georgia. She stated the reason she sent the letter was that she believed a man she met at a tent revival meeting in Atlanta, Georgia, is the assassin of President KENNEDY. She based this on the fact that she was the only Negro person at the tent revival meeting and the man running the meeting told her she was not welcome there, and she recalls a fragment of the conversation where he said, "Somebody has to do it, and I will". On questioning, she stated there was no previous conversation concerning President KENNEDY, and it is her personal conclusion the man had the assassination of the President in mind. Mrs. HUDSON gave a somewhat rambling account of the incident at the tent revival meeting. She stated among other things that she was hypnotized and also had a "laying of the hands on her."

In further conversation, Mrs. HUDSON disclosed she was an inmate of Milledgeville State Hospital for the mentally ill, Milledgeville, Georgia, for a period of nine years. It was noted in the course of the conversation that she would make disjointed remarks, such as "That's a pretty car you're driving", right in the middle of the conversation.

On July 30, 1964, Detective B.F. CORLEY, DeKalb County Police Department, Decatur, Georgia, advised he had received several letters from Mrs. HUDSON and they were

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consistently irrational. Detective CORLEY stated the contents of these letters concerned allegations of the practice of voodooism by Mrs. HUDSON's husband, wherein he would turn her into a lizard, and in another instance into a snake.

Detective CORLEY stated that based on these letters, no response is made on receipt of the letters from Mrs. HUDSON.

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RE: FRANK THOMAS KNIGHT;
HERMAN T. RIPLEY;
ROBERT BOWMAN HERSHEY

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Date 7/7/64

Mr. JOHN CHRISTMAS, 1145 Seaford Drive, Dallas, Texas, telephone EXpress 1-5029, appeared in the Dallas Office and furnished the following information:

For the past few years CHRISTMAS has been employed in the real estate business and has handled as a sideline the sale of Electro Way garbage disposal units for one FRANK KNIGHT, 7016 Clemson, Dallas, Texas. CHRISTMAS stated that KNIGHT is a very outspoken individual with little education and, prior to the assassination of President JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY, made statements indicating that he did not like KENNEDY and if there was a group that wanted to kill the President he would be honored to be a part of it. CHRISTMAS stated he believes KNIGHT made the statement at one time that he would be glad to pull the trigger.

CHRISTMAS advised that HERMAN RIPLEY, a member of the Dallas Philatelic Society, 11122 Midway Road, Dallas, Texas, has also been known to make radical statements against former President KENNEDY.

In addition, CHRISTMAS stated he has information that ROBERT B. HERSHEY, an attorney with offices on Ervay Street in Dallas, Texas, made the statement prior to the assassination of President KENNEDY that, "Wouldn't it be easy to kill the President. All it would take would be a rifle." CHRISTMAS advised at a meeting of the Dallas Philatelic Society on a recent night HERSHEY was extremely critical of KENNEDY as an individual.

CHRISTMAS advised he is a member of the Dallas Philatelic Society and that KNIGHT, RIPLEY and HERSHEY are also members of this society.

CHRISTMAS further advised that a source who declined to be identified had furnished him information concerning these individuals, as follows:

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on 7/6/64 at Dallas, TexasFile # DL 89-43by Special Agent IC ROBERT G. RENFRO/dsDate dictated 7/6/64

On the night before the assassination of President KENNEDY, this source was at the home of Mr. ROBERT B. HERSHEY, 4729 Alta Vista Lane, Dallas, Texas, whose profession is attorney at law, and whose office is located at 211 North Ervay, Dallas. This source advised that after trading of postage stamps was completed between HERSHEY and himself, HERSHEY made conversation on how easy it would be for the President to be killed on his visit to Dallas or anywhere else. Before this conversation, the source stated he had never given a second thought to any reference HERSHEY made about the KENNEDY Administration, for he thought HERSHEY was just "popping off" about the way the government is being run, as various people do all the time.

The source also quoted HERSHEY as stating it would be a good thing for the country if he (the President) was killed and also made a statement that a rifle would be the most logical weapon to be used and the easiest.

The source identified Mr. HERSHEY as a member of the Dallas Philatelic Society which meets the first and third Fridays of each month at the Church of the Good Shepherd, 11122 Midway Road, Dallas, Texas. This society issued a cachet cover with the first day of issue of the KENNEDY commemorative postage stamp, dated May 29, 1964, and when HERSHEY was contacted concerning this cachet cover, a memorial to President KENNEDY, he made a statement to the effect that KENNEDY was not any good anyway and that he was sure not going to waste his money on the commemorative stamp or the cachet.

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The files of the Dallas Office reflect that on September 13, 1950, JOHN CLINTON CHRISTMAS, also known as JOHN CLINTON WILSON, made application for clerical position with the FBI. CHRISTMAS indicated prior military service in U. S. Marine Corps, having received an honorable discharge due to medical defect that would be intensified by further service.

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The files of the Dallas Office reflect that ROBERT B. HERSHEY, attorney at law, 211 North Ervay Building, Dallas, Texas, was a complainant in Dallas file captioned UNKNOWN SUBJECT; NEW LONDON, TEXAS, SHERIFF'S OFFICE; ALBERT BOYD - VICTIM; CIVIL RIGHTS.

Date 8/3/64

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FRANK THOMAS KNIGHT, 7016 Clemson Drive, telephone No. DI 8-0650, advised he is the owner of K and A Distributors (kitchen appliances) and operates this business from his home.

KNIGHT stated that on November 22, 1963, his business was located at 4810A Greenville Avenue, Dallas, Texas. KNIGHT stated he was in his office at this address at the time of the assassination of President KENNEDY. KNIGHT advised that he held different political views than President KENNEDY and did not vote for him. He stated, however, that he never desired that President KENNEDY be killed and certainly would not do anything to cause anyone's death. He said the assassination of President KENNEDY was stupid and a great tragedy.

KNIGHT advised he admired President KENNEDY and considered him a tremendous speaker, in the same category as former President FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT.

KNIGHT stated he had no information which would assist in the investigation of the assassination of President KENNEDY.

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on 7/29/64 at Dallas, TexasFile # DL 89-43by Special Agent A. RAYMOND SWITZER:vmDate dictated 7/31/64

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ROBERT BOWMAN HERSHEY, Attorney, Room 1001, 211 Ervay Street, telephone numbers RI 7-1141 and RI 7-2800, advised he resides at 4729 Alta Vista Lane and has home telephone number EM 1-7382.

HERSHEY stated on November 22, 1963, he did not view the Presidential motorcade. He stated the motorcade passed by on Main Street which is two blocks south of where his office building is located. He said as the motorcade passed on Main Street he was eating lunch in the Chefette Restaurant in the building where his office is located. He said shortly after he returned to his office he heard that President KENNEDY had been shot.

HERSHEY said he never made the statement "Wouldn't it be easy to kill the President. All it would take would be a rifle." He stated he thought the assassination of President KENNEDY was a great tragedy. He advised, however, that he did not vote for President KENNEDY and was not in favor of some of President KENNEDY's policies, but had much respect for him as a man.

HERSHEY stated he had no information which would assist in the investigation of the assassination of President KENNEDY.

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on 7/29/64 at Dallas, TexasFile # DL 89-43by Special Agent A. RAYMOND SWITZER:vmDate dictated 7/31/64

Date 8/7/641

Reverend JOHN DARDEN, Assistant Pastor, Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd, 11122 Midway Road, advised that HERMAN RIPLEY is not a member of that church. He stated the Dallas Philatelic Society meets in the church hall on the first and third Fridays of each month.

Reverend DARDEN advised he is not acquainted with HERMAN RIPLEY but stated the following, who are members of the Dallas Philatelic Society and also members of the Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd, might know how to locate HERMAN RIPLEY:

ROBERT CRANE, Purchasing Agent, Dresser Industries, Incorporated. He resides at 4306 Enfield Drive, Dallas, Texas.

BRITON POTTER, an Insurance Underwriter with business telephone No. ME 1-2230. POTTER resides at 3245 Dartmore Court, Dallas, Texas, telephone No. CH 7-7090.

on 8/4/64 at Dallas, Texas

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by Special Agent A. RAYMOND SWITZER:vm

Date dictated 8/7/64

Date August 25, 1964

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HERMAN T. RIPLEY, 5917 Ellsworth Avenue, Dallas, and an employee of the Regent Coin and Stamp Exchange, 1907 Skillman Avenue, Dallas, advised that he is a member of the Dallas Philatelic Society, 11122 Midway Road, Dallas, Texas.

RIPLEY advised that while he was not a political follower of the late President KENNEDY, he, nevertheless, respected him as the President of the United States. He stated that he feels that the assassination of the President was a terrible reflection upon the people of the United States and that the responsible party must have been a demented individual.

Mr. RIPLEY stated he knows no one whom he feels would have been such a fanatic or crazy enough to have killed, planned to kill, or wanted to kill the President of the United States, no matter who that President might be.

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on 8/24/64 at Dallas, Texas File # DL 89-43

by Special Agent RICHARD J. BURNETT /jtf Date dictated 8/25/64

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JEROME JOHNSON LANDVIK
ALLEGED INFORMATION PRIOR TO ASSASSINATION

Basis

At 3:10 p.m., August 5, 1964, former Assistant United States Attorney JOHN CONNELLY, Minneapolis, Minnesota, telephonically advised SAA MILTON L. SNYDER, that while in the U. S. Attorney's Office, doing some clean-up work on some of his cases, he received a telephone call from a man, who stated that he "had something to do with that thing last November." Inquiry by Mr. CONNELLY elicited information that the man's name was JEROME LANDVIK, that he resided at 3131 Finley Avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota, telephone Number 825-8148.

LANDVIK stated he was 28 years of age and that the "thing" to which he referred was the assassination of President KENNEDY in Dallas, Texas. LANDVIK told CONNELLY that while he had been in Minnesota at the time of the assassination, he felt that he had had some significant information prior to the assassination. In this respect he said he had been traveling between Chicago, Illinois, and Grand Forks, North Dakota, on a bus sometime before the assassination and became involved in a discussion with a man whose name he knows, but did not disclose, during which time this man had shown him a photograph of FIDEL CASTRO and remarked "we're going to do something about this."

Mr. CONNELLY said in his opinion LANDVIK at times appeared to be a mental case, but talked very rationally and appeared to be much disturbed by the information he had in his possession.

There is set out below a true copy of a letter to J. EDGAR HOOVER, Washington, D. C., from "JEROME J. LANDVIK, 3131 Findley Pl., Minneapolis, Minnesota."

"TRUE COPY

"Jerome J. Landvik
3131 Findley Pl.
Mpls, Minn. 55408

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J. Edgar Hoover
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

"I think that somehow, that I had something to do with the assassination of President Kennedy. I was here in Minneapolis at the time, but I still think that I had something to do with it. I also wrote a letter to Judge Oscar A. Knutson, it has a more comprehensive statement. Please believe me, I think know that this is the truth.

Jerome J. Landvik

Envelope (front)

Jerome J. Landvik
3131 Findley Pl.
Minneapolis, Minn. 55408

J. Edgar Hoover
Washington, D. C.

Envelope (back)

Aug. 5, 1964"

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Date 8/13/64

Mr. JEROME JOHNSON LANDVIK, 3131 Findley Place (not Finley Avenue), Minneapolis, Minnesota, advised he wanted to furnish some information he had obtained prior to the assassination of President KENNEDY as this information may have some significance in connection with the assassination.

He advised that he did not recall the date, but it was before FIDEL CASTRO had taken over the Government of Cuba, that he had been riding on a bus from Chicago, Illinois to Sioux Falls, South Dakota. On this bus ride, he became acquainted with one EFRAIN OSORIO, who claimed he was employed by a newspaper, name not furnished, in Cuba. He stated that OSORIO was very pro-CASTRO, and OSORIO requested LANDVIK to sell his friends on CASTRO and his Government. They did not discuss the Government of the United States.

He advised that he changed buses in Omaha, Nebraska, but OSORIO stayed on the bus, stating that he was going to California. He stated that prior to their separation at Omaha, OSORIO had given him a snapshot of FIDEL CASTRO and he had given OSORIO a snapshot of himself.

He stated he never saw OSORIO again. But about the time that FIDEL CASTRO had taken over the Government of Cuba, he received a letter from OSORIO. He did not recall where this letter was postmarked, but he believed it had been mailed from either New York or Washington D. C. OSORIO requested him in this letter again to sell CASTRO's Government to his, LANDVIK's friends. In addition, OSORIO stated in his letter that if LANDVIK would do this, he, OSORIO, would arrange to pay the expenses for LANDVIK to take a trip to Cuba on LANDVIK's birthday.

He stated that OSORIO enclosed a photograph of himself with this letter and in this photograph, OSORIO was holding a slingshot aiming it at the camera. He thought this photograph had some significance, since DAVID had used a slingshot against GOLIATH and this probably was intended to represent Cuba as DAVID against the United

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On 8/7/64 at Minneapolis, Minnesota File # Minneapolis 62-3114
by Special Agent H. CLIFFORD MILLER/vjv Date dictated 8/11/64

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States as GOLIATH.

He stated the above letter was addressed to him at his former address in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, which he no longer recalled. He advised he had furnished this address to OSORIO at the time they were riding the bus together.

He advised that he no longer has the above letter or the photographs of CASTRO and OSORIO, and he did not recall what he had done with them.

He advised that he had not furnished the above information to anyone and did not think any more about it until after the assassination of President KENNEDY. He stated that since the assassination, the above incidents in regard to OSORIO have been preying on his mind, and he thought that possibly if he had furnished this information prior to the assassination, it may have prevented the assassination as it possibly had some significance. He could not elaborate on this significance since he and OSORIO had not discussed the United States Government. President KENNEDY was a United States Senator at the time he met OSORIO, and at the time he received the letter from OSORIO.

He advised that he had not seen or heard from OSORIO since he received the above letter and had no idea as to his present whereabouts.

He described EFRAIN OSORIO as a Cuban; age, in his middle thirties; 5' 8"; 160 pounds; black hair; brown eyes; and olive complexion.

OSORIO made no statements concerning Russia or Communism and no derogatory statements concerning the United States.

Mr. LANDVIK advised that he occasionally has had lapses of memory when he did not know what he was doing. He advised that when he was 14 or 15 years of age, he had been confined in the University Hospital, Minneapolis, Minnesota, for treatment as a mental patient. He stated that he was in the United States Army from January 15, 1953, to November 20, 1953, and received a hospital-type discharge due to a

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mental condition. He stated he had "blacked out" in the Army, and when he regained consciousness, he was in an Army Hospital in a strait jacket.

He stated that after his release from the Army, he "blacked out" again and was confined in the Minnesota State Mental Hospital, Fergus Falls, Minnesota, and was later transferred to the Veterans Administration Hospital at St. Cloud, Minnesota. He stated that he did not recall the dates he was confined at the above institutions.

He stated that at the time of the assassination of President KENNEDY, he was residing at Minneapolis, Minnesota, and he could not furnish any additional information concerning the assassination.

Mr. LANDVIK is described as a white male; born November 3, 1935 at Oslo, Minnesota; 5'10"; 165 pounds; blue eyes; brown hair; ninth grade education; marital status - single; residence - 3131 Findley Place, Minneapolis, Minnesota; Father - LEONARD LANDVIK (Deceased); military service - United States Army from January 15, 1953 to November 20, 1953, hospital-type discharge; serial number not recalled; unemployed.

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Re: DOUGLAS LEAKE, ALSO REFERRED TO AS "RED-HEADED
COOK"

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Date 6/19/64

Mr. JAMES DANIEL, 322 East 9th Street; telephone Whitehall 1-4069, telephonically contacted the Dallas Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, at which time he advised that he was employed by Emtex Division of Missile Systems Corporation at Carrollton, Texas.

Mr. DANIEL stated he has only one arm. He advised that approximately four days before the assassination of President JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY, at about 9:00 P.M. he was in a coffee shop, the name of which he does not recall but which is located at the corner of 5th and Peckley Streets in Dallas, Texas, and is next door to a new drugstore, the name of which DANIEL does not recall.

DANIEL stated that his brother, W. A. DANIEL, who resides with him and who is employed by the Dallas Water Department, was also present at the coffee shop, as well as six to twelve other people, including two Dallas policemen. DANIEL stated he did not know any of the other individuals present.

DANIEL advised that several people in the coffee shop were discussing how well the President is guarded when he visits a city, and that an employee at the coffee shop, name unknown, remarked that if someone wanted to, he could stand on top of a building and shoot the President from a quarter-mile away, or words to this effect. Mr. DANIEL described this employee as being a large, white male, employed as a cook at the coffee shop who has red hair, works the night shift and who weighs close to 300 pounds. Mr. DANIEL stated the owner of this coffee shop is named SAM but his last name is unknown to DANIEL.

Mr. DANIEL was asked why he waited until June 15, 1964, to furnish the above information, at which time Mr. DANIEL stated he had just now thought of this and decided he should make such information known to the FBI. He stated he has not discussed this information with anyone else other

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by Special Agent ROBERT P. GEMBERLING/RS Date dictated 6/18/64

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than to remark to his brother shortly after the assassination that this red-headed cook seemed to know how the President could be shot.

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The following investigation was conducted at Dallas, Texas, by Special Agent A. RAYMOND SWITZER:

By observation on July 1, 1964, it was determined that Fifth and Beckley Streets is a residential neighborhood. There are no restaurants, coffee shops, or drugstores in this area.

It was also determined by observation that there is located on the corner of Beckley Street and Colorado Boulevard the Dobbs House Snack Bar. It is located next to an almost completed building in which is located a drugstore.

On July 2, 1964, SAM ROGERS, operator, Dobbs House Snack Bar, 1221 North Beckley (corner of Beckley Street and Colorado Boulevard), advised he has in his employ a large red-headed male cook weighing approximately 300 pounds. He stated this cook's name is DOUGLAS LEAKE and he works the 10:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m. shift. He said LEAKE was in his employ in November, 1963. ROGERS stated he does not know LEAKE's present residence.

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DOUGLAS LEAKE, Cook, Dobbs House Snack Bar, 1221 North Beckley Street, advised he presently resides at 831 Kidd Springs Drive, Dallas, Texas.

LEAKE said he was employed as a cook at Dobbs House Snack Bar at the time of the assassination of President KENNEDY. He stated he does recall that he had discussed with various people in Dobbs House Snack Bar several days before President KENNEDY's scheduled visit to Dallas, how well the President is guarded when he visits a city. LEAKE stated he does not recall making any remark to the effect that if someone wanted to he could stand on top of a building and shoot the President from a quarter of a mile away.

LEAKE said he had been previously interviewed by the Federal Bureau of Investigation and stated he had no additional information which would be of assistance in the investigation of the assassination of President KENNEDY.

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on 8/4/64 at Dallas, TexasFile # DL 89-43by Special Agent A. RAYMOND SWITZER:vmDate dictated 8/7/64

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DOUGLAS LEAKE was previously interviewed, as reported on page 491 of the report of Special Agent ROBERT P. GEMBERLING, dated December 10, 1963, at Dallas, Texas, captioned "LEE HARVEY OSWALD; INTERNAL SECURITY - RUSSIA - CUBA."

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RE: MRS. MARTHA MADDOX

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By letter dated July 2, 1964, Dr. JOSEPH C. ELIA, 315 South Sierra Street, Apartment #18, Reno, Nevada, forwarded a letter to J. EDGAR HOOVER, Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation, stating that, while driving through Utah early in the morning of July 1, 1964, (about 1:00 a.m.) and while listening to a broadcast of a nature where listeners call in and discuss things, he, Dr. ELIA, heard a listener from Grassrange, Montana, call in and state that, in the televised journey of the late President to Dallas, Texas, she had noticed somewhere on her viewing screen a sign reading, "Assassinate him." Dr. ELIA stated that this person, whom he believed to be MARTHA MATTOX or MADDOX, asked the radio announcer if he or anybody else had noted this too. She stated she had never seen anything like this in print or any mention of it elsewhere.

Dr. ELIA stated he was forwarding the foregoing above item, which he thought the Bureau would be interested in checking. Dr. ELIA stated the station he was listening to at the time of hearing the communication was Salt Lake City, Utah, radio station KSL.

On July 17, 1964, the Salt Lake City Office advised as follows:

On July 16, 1964, Mr. JOE KJAR, Station Manager, Radio Station KSL, Salt Lake City, Utah, advised SA WILLIAM J. GEIERMANN the program referred to in Dr. ELIA's letter is called "The Other Side of the Day," and it is basically a music program in which persons throughout the West call in to express their opinions on various subjects. Mr. KJAR said that on July 1, 1964, the program was being handled by Announcer NEIL LINTON, who replaced the regular announcer, who was on vacation.

On July 17, 1964, Mr. NEIL LINTON advised he recalls the telephone call referred to in Dr. ELIA's letter. He said the call was received from Mrs. MARTHA MADDOX, Grassrange, Montana. Mr. LINTON said no recording or transcript was made of this portion of the program; however, he recalls the woman mentioned that, while watching President KENNEDY's visit to Dallas on

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television, she saw what she thought was a placard reading something to the effect, "Assassinate him." Mr. LINTON said she merely called the station to discuss this matter and at the same time wondered if any of the other listeners had also seen it. Mr. LINTON could add nothing further to his recollection of the conversation.

The following investigation was conducted by SA
DANIEL B. FLEMING:

AT LEWLSTOWN, MONTANA

Inquiry was made at Fergus County Sheriff's Office of Sheriff GEORGE STEPHENS regarding the whereabouts of MARTHA MADDOX. He advised he believed that she was a resident ranching south of Grassrange, Montana, and is an elderly widow. Sheriff STEPHENS stated that he was not well acquainted with her but had never heard anything detrimental to her character or reputation.

AT GRASSRANGE, MONTANA

On August 1, 1964, Mrs. MATTIE MADDOX, also known as Mrs. George Maddox, and Martha Maddox, advised that she is a widow living alone on the ranch formerly operated by her and her husband, who died approximately nine years ago. She stated she has no children and her nearest relative is a nephew who lives a short distance in back of her on another road. She stated she has no relatives in this area other than her nephew. Although she has been tempted to sell the farm and leave, she does not know where to go if she were to sell the farm. She stated that, at the present time, it is being operated by two men on a share basis and she has nothing to do but sit and watch television or listen to radio.

Mrs. MADDOX stated that on the day the late President KENNEDY was traveling in Dallas, Texas, she had been watching

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the events from the very beginning and has a very clear and distinct recollection of the caravan passing or rounding a rather slow corner just prior to the time that KENNEDY was shot. She stated she has a very distinct recollection that she glimpsed a sign, which she said was apparently fastened on the side of a building on the inside of this slow curve and it had the word "assassinate" on it. She stated the sign, in her recollection, was about the size of a mirror that she had hanging on the wall, approximately 2' x 16", and she believed it had a frame around the edge of it. She stated she noted this sign and shortly afterwards the shooting took place, resulting in the death of President KENNEDY.

Mrs. MADDOX stated she was an avid follower of all of the events that followed thereafter, and on several occasions mentioned to her neighbors, when she met them, that she had seen this sign with the word "assassinate" on it and asked them if they, too, had seen the sign. She stated that none of them who were watching claimed to have seen the sign and she said it has been bothering her a great deal that she is the only person who saw this sign. She said she did not think she was imagining the sign, as it is so vivid in her mind in its location on the front of the building on the inside of the curve, approximately 3½' to 4' off the ground, and apparently fastened to the building. She was not certain as to the color of the sign but believed that it was white with black or dark letters.

Mrs. MADDOX stated that this matter has bothered her so much that, on one occasion when she was listening to a radio program out of Salt Lake City, Utah, she put in a long distance call to the man running the program and asked him if he had ever seen this sign or if it had ever been brought to his attention. Mrs. MADDOX stated that, although she is 80 years of age and a widow, she considers she is in good physical condition and did not think she was imagining any of the things she saw. Mrs. MADDOX stated she could provide no additional information as to the sign, but stated it is still vivid in her recollection as being on the building on the inside of the curve taken by the late President prior to the shooting.

THIS SERIAL HAS BEEN REFERRED TO
ANOTHER AGENCY AND IS IN A PENDING STATUS:

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REFERRAL

RE: JAMES M. O'BRIEN,
Also known as
J.F. Hugh O'Brien,
J. Mike O'Brien,
James Michael O'Brien,
John Mike O'Brien,
Mike O'Brien,
Patrick O'Brien,
Patrick C. O'hara,
Patrick C. O'Hara

*James O'Brien
Pat (X) Hara*

*Tenn. - Miss. - Ala. - Ga. - Fla. - S.C. - N.C. - Tenn.
N.Y. - N.J. - Pa. - W.V. - Va. - Ark. - Mo. - Ill. - Ind. - Ohio - Ky. - Tenn. - Miss. - Ala. - Ga. - Fla. - S.C. - N.C. - Tenn.*

The following information supplements that appearing on Pages 624 and 625 of the report of Special Agent ROBERT P. GEMBERLING, dated December 10, 1963, at Dallas, captioned "LEE HARVEY OSWALD, INTERNAL SECURITY - RUSSIA - CUBA".

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DWS/krp:bap

RE: JAMES M. O'BRIEN -
PLANNED ASSASSINATION OF
PRESIDENT IN DECEMBER

The following investigation at Elgin, Illinois, was conducted by SA HARRY A. WALKER on November 29, 1963:

Through a check of Elgin City maps and Elgin city directories at Elgin Police Department and through contact with ARNOLD ZUREK, Clerk, Elgin Post Office, it was determined that no Dive Street exists or has ever existed in Elgin.

A further check of Elgin city directories and telephone directories at the Elgin Police Department reveals no one by the name of JAMES M. O'BRIEN residing in the city of Elgin.

Mrs. AGNES STEVENS, Bureau of Identification, Elgin Police Department, advised that a JAMES M. O'BRIEN from about 1952 to 1955, was in the records of the Police Department as being involved in a collision, and also reporting the fight. JAMES M. O'BRIEN, according to the records, resided at 622 Lillie Street, Elgin, in 1952 through 1955; however, the last address she had for him was as of July 17, 1955, when he resided at 656 South Street, Elgin. She stated that CARL A. JEPSON, head of the Elgin City Water Works, is presently residing at this address.

CARL JEPSON, mentioned above, advised that JAMES M. O'BRIEN and his mother were tenants at his home, located at 656 South Street, Elgin, up to about five years ago. He stated JAMES M. O'BRIEN is a young man of thirty years, who attended Notre Dame University, South Bend, Indiana, then entered the priesthood.

Mrs. EVELYN RAHN, Elgin Credit Bureau, advised that no information exists in her files concerning a JAMES M. O'BRIEN.

The only street in Elgin set out in the city directories that is in any way similar to Dive Street is

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Division Street. Through observation, it was determined that 156 Division Street is the Douglas Hotel. Mr. CHRIS J. CHAMALES, Manager of the hotel, advised that no one by the name of JAMES M. O'BRIEN resided at the hotel the last ten months.

Chief HERBERT LANG (NA), Elgin Police Department, advised he has never heard of JAMES M. O'BRIEN residing in Elgin.

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Mrs. BLANCHE GILTNER, manager of Carolina Hotel, 143 Main Street, furnished the following additional information concerning one JAMES M. O'BRIEN, also known as J. MIKE O'BRIEN or JAMES MICHAEL O'BRIEN.

She related that about one month after O'BRIEN had been in the hotel on November 22, 1963, he came to the hotel alone again. On this occasion he indicated he wanted to stay in the hotel for one night but before registering said he wanted to cash a check. He went on to say that he had been stopped by a Highway Patrolman for "crossing a yellow line" and had paid a fine or bail of \$50, which took all his cash. Mrs. GILTNER commented that it did not occur to her until later that the amount of \$50 for the stated offense appears excessive. He had not made any statement as to where this had occurred and she does not know whether he meant it happened in South Carolina.

In any event she indicated considerable reluctance to cash a check but was finally persuaded and he started to write out the check which she noted was on a pink check form drawn on some bank in Lima, Ohio. He put down on the check as identification his automobile license which she could recall only as being a Tennessee license and for a Pontiac car. She did not actually see the car at all. She recalled that he had signed the check J. MIKE O'BRIEN.

At about this point Mrs. GILTNER commented that he had been in the hotel before and he replied that he had not. She insisted he had and produced his registration card for November 22, 1963 and showed it to him. At this he became angry and tore up the check and stuck it in his pocket and walked out. He had not actually registered at the hotel and she did not have any document as a result of his brief stay on this date which she recalled as having been probably late in December, 1963.

Mrs. GILTNER stated she is positive he is the same individual who had been in the hotel on November 22, 1963, and who had made a comment about the assassination of President KENNEDY; however, the matter of his previous comment was not discussed with him on the occasion of his second visit.

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 by SA JAMES M. UNDERHILL: jb Date dictated 4/16/64

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Mrs. GILTNER said she had never seen this individual before November 22, 1963, and had no additional information as to his business or any knowledge of any persons he may have contacted in Chester. She stated that during his stay on November 22, 1963, for one night, he had not made or received any calls through the hotel.

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RE: JAMES M. O'BRIEN, also known as
J. MIKE O'BRIEN, JAMES MICHAEL O'BRIEN

The following investigation was conducted by SA
JAMES M. UNDERHILL at Chester, South Carolina on April 15, 1964:

Lieutenant R. M. EUBANKS, South Carolina Highway Patrol, Chester, stated that his office does not maintain copies of arrest tickets by the Highway Patrol Officers within his District, which comprises seven counties surrounding Chester, and he was unable to furnish any information concerning a possible arrest of JAMES M. O'BRIEN or similar name.

Chief E. L. BOSTIC, Chester County Rural Police, stated he had no record that any of his officers had arrested or charged anyone named JAMES M. O'BRIEN or person with similar name. He commented that if an arrest had been made by a Highway Patrolman anywhere in the vicinity of Chester, the charged person would have been brought before Magistrate C. T. DeLANCY in Chester.

With the assistance of Chief BOSTIC, the records of Magistrate DeLANCY were checked for the period December 11, 1963, through April 1, 1964, and no record found for one JAMES M. O'BRIEN or similar name.

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The following investigation was conducted by SA JOHN L. HOLSHOUSER, Jr.:

On May 6, 1964, WILLIAM MORGAN, Manager, Kirwan Hotel, Lima, Ohio, advised that he was unable to locate any record in the name of JOHN MIKE O'BRIEN, JAMES M. O'BRIEN, J. MIKE O'BRIEN or JAMES MICHAEL O'BRIEN.

On May 5, 1964, Mrs. DOROTHY KRUGH, Town Councilman, Elgin, Ohio, advised that there is no street by the name of Dive Street in Elgin, Ohio.

Mrs. KRUGH further stated that the town of Elgin, Ohio, has approximately 80 residents, all of whom she is well acquainted with, and that she has never known of anyone by the name of O'BRIEN to have established a residence there.

On May 5, 1964, HARRY MORIN, Comptroller, Metropolitan Bank of Lima, Ohio, advised that his files reflect no checking account in the name of JAMES M. O'BRIEN, J. MIKE O'BRIEN, or JAMES MICHAEL O'BRIEN.

On June 3, 1964, LOUISE O'BRIEN, 119 West Robb Street, Lima, Ohio, advised that she is the widow of J. MICHAEL O'BRIEN, who died of natural causes on November 6, 1963.

Mrs. O'BRIEN stated that she could not recall ever having heard the name JOHN MIKE O'BRIEN and that no person by this name or other names used by O'BRIEN being related to her deceased husband.

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The following investigation was conducted at Nashville, Tennessee, by SA FRANCIS W. NORWOOD on May 15, 1964:

Mrs. JANICE RIDLEY, Motor Vehicle Division, Department of Finance, State of Tennessee, Nashville, Tennessee, advised from records that 1963 Tennessee license No. 19-2888 was originally registered to JOHN MIKE O'BRIEN, Douglas Hotel, Elgin, Illinois, for a 1955 DeSoto, four door, Vehicle Identification Number 55236519. This was registered on March 9, 1963, and the registrant indicated that title had been applied for.

Mrs. RIDLEY stated that this license was subsequently transferred by the owner to a 1957 Buick, four door, Vehicle Identification Number 4D6022896, on July 3, 1963. This was registered to JOHN MIKE O'BRIEN, Route 6, Box 18, Cleveland, Tennessee.

Mrs. RIDLEY stated that as of September 9, 1963, the registration was again transferred to a 1960 Plymouth, Vehicle Identification Number 3301121719. At this time he indicated that he was still at the Cleveland, Tennessee address.

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The following investigation was conducted on June 12, 1964, at Cincinnati, Ohio, by SA THOMAS P. SCOLLARD:

Mr. DENVER PECK, Manager, Super Motors, 707 Reading Road, Cincinnati, Ohio, advised records of this company show on April 15, 1964, an individual using the name PATRICK C. OHARA purchased a 1950 Plymouth. The 1950 Plymouth was a faded pea green four door sedan, SN 12525265, which had snow tires on the back wheels, green seat covers on the front seat, no seat covers on the back seat, and the body was showing many rust spots.

Mr. PECK advised OHARA agreed to purchase this automobile for \$83. He paid \$34 cash and wrote a check on a Indiana bank for \$49. PECK advised OHARA went to a nearby agency and secured 10 day temporary license tags, returned to the automobile agency, and the temporary tags were placed on the Plymouth.

Mr. PECK advised OHARA was not given the Certificate of Title for this Plymouth because the agency was afraid the check might not be paid, therefore, OHARA was advised that if he returned in about a week and the check was paid, then he would be furnished the Certificate of Title. Mr. PECK advised OHARA never returned to pick up the Certificate of Title and the only proof of ownership he had for the Plymouth was a carbon copy of the buyer's order.

Mr. PECK advised he has not seen OHARA since April 15, 1964, but did see OHARA on one previous occasion on April 14, 1964, when OHARA came to the location of this agency and looked around at the various cars for sale. On these two dates Mr. PECK advised he conversed with OHARA. OHARA did not indicate where he was employed but said he needed the car in connection with his employment. OHARA either walked to the agency or took a taxi cab because he

was not seen to have a car on either dates when at the Super Motors sales lot. During transactions for the purchase of the Plymouth, OHARA complained that he did not have much money and stated that when the \$49 check was paid by his bank he would have only \$1 left in this account. OHARA indicated to Mr. PECK that he had never been to Cincinnati before and that he did not know anything about the town. OHARA indicated he was staying at a hotel in the vicinity of 6th and Main Streets, Cincinnati, Ohio. When filling out the purchase order, OHARA gave the address of 621 Main Street, Cincinnati, Ohio. PECK observed OHARA had some difficulty driving the Plymouth automobile away from the lot and did not appear to be an experienced automobile driver. PECK stated OHARA seemed to be an intelligent and genial individual. Mr. PECK furnished the following description of OHARA:

Race:	White
Sex:	Male
Age:	65-70
Height:	5'7"
Weight:	185 pounds
Hair:	Snow white
Characteristics:	Neat, clean shaven, very clean appearance

Mr. PECK advised that in the event OHARA returns to this agency for any reason, he will immediately notify the Cincinnati FBI Office.

City directories show three small hotels in this immediate area. These are:

The New Dennison Hotel, 716 Main Street,
Cincinnati, Ohio;

The Ft. Washington Hotel, 621 Main Street,
Cincinnati, Ohio;

Petit Hotel, 139 East 6th Street, Cincinnati, Ohio.

On June 12, 1964, Mr. IRVING M. SCHLIFKIN advised he is the Manager of the New Dennison Hotel and the Ft. Washington Hotel. Mr. SCHLIFKIN advised he does not recognize the name PATRICK C. OHARA as anyone known to him to have stayed at either hotel. Likewise, Mr. SCHLIFKIN said he did not recognize the name JAMES N. O'BRIEN, J. MIKE O'BRIEN, JAMES MICHAEL O'BRIEN, or JOHN MIKE O'BRIEN. Mr. SCHLIFKIN advised he did not recognize the person 65 to 70 years old, snow white hair, as being anyone who has stayed at either hotel recently.

Mr. SCHLIFKIN advised that the records of the New Dennison Hotel and the Ft. Washington Hotel for the days April 14, 15, 16, and 17, 1964, show no one by the name of OHARA or O'BRIEN as a guest on these days.

Mr. RALPH BROWN, Petit Hotel, 139 East 6th Street, Cincinnati, Ohio, advised on June 12, 1964, that he did not recognize the name OHARA or O'BRIEN as anyone who has stayed at this hotel recently. Mr. BROWN advised he did not recall anyone with the description of a white male, age 65 to 70, snow white hair, as being a resident of this hotel recently.

Mr. BROWN advised the records of this hotel for the days April 14, 15, 16, and 17, 1964, show no one using the name O'BRIEN or OHARA was a guest at this hotel on these days.

On June 12, 1964, Mr. JOSEPH H. CAMPBELL, Supervisor of the Automobile License Department, Hamilton County Court House, Hamilton, Ohio, advised the records of this department show that no one using the name OHARA or O'BRIEN applied for 10 day temporary license through this office.

Mr. CAMPBELL advised that an individual purchasing an automobile and not obtaining the Certificate of Title would be unable to obtain permanent license for the automobile in the State of Ohio.

On June 12, 1964, MICHAEL WIENER, Manager, License Department, American Automobile Association, Central Parkway and Race Street, Cincinnati, advised the records of this agency show on April 15, 1964, an individual using the name PATRICK O'BRIEN applied for and was issued ten day temporary license tags # 226738. On the application OHARA indicated he was residing at 621 Main Street, Cincinnati, Ohio, and that this was also his business address. It is indicated on the application OHARA purchased a 1950 Plymouth four door sedan, SN 12525265, from Super Motor Sales, 707 Reading Road, Cincinnati, Ohio, and that the temporary tags would be used on this automobile. The tags were issued as of April 15, 1964, and show expiration date of April 25, 1964.

On June 12, 1964, JAMES ARCHER, Bureau of Motor Vehicles, Columbus, Ohio, advised SA DANIEL W. JOHNSON, he was unable to locate a 1964 license registration for PATRICK C. OHARA. ARCHER further advised he was unable to locate any record of an Ohio automobile title being issued for a 1950 Plymouth, SN 12525265.

On June 15, 1964, Mrs. JACKIE HARRIS, Bureau of Motor Vehicles, State of Ohio, Columbus, Ohio, advised IC JOHN F. BRANDEWIEDE that records of this Bureau do not contain any record of an automobile operator's license being issued for PATRICK C. OHARA.

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On June 8, 1964, JAY BAKER, Stolen Auto Section, Indiana State Police, advised his records failed to reflect any stolen report on the 1957 Plymouth four-door sedan, VIN 16216808 or license plate 49 Z 9831.

On June 8, 1964, JAY BAKER, supra, and on June 9, 1964, ANN MENDEL, Central Records, Indianapolis Police Department, advised both their records failed to reflect any information pertaining to O'HARA or O'BRIEN.

On June 8, 1964, [REDACTED] Merchants Credit Association, advised she could locate no information for the names O'BRIEN or O'HARA in her files.

Date June 12, 19641

Mrs. EDNA KETCHUM, owner, Hotel Meridian, 2049 North Meridian Street, Indianapolis, Indiana, advised that a PATRICK C. O'HARA registered at the hotel on March 29, 1964. He was driving a Plymouth with Tennessee license 19 Z 888. He listed former residence as Route 3, Box 2, Lima, Ohio.

He stayed at the hotel for approximately two and one-half weeks. She advised he was quiet and did not reveal what his occupation was, nor does she recall any background information volunteered by this individual. She described O'HARA as white, male, in his late 60s, about 5'10", thin build, gray hair and a very poor dresser.

She recalled that O'HARA, after he had departed, received a bank statement from the Indiana National Bank and that she did not have his forwarding address and returned this to the bank.

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by SA PATRICK J. FLETCHER :kam Date dictated 6/10/64

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A.R. TURNER, 112 West Ohio Street, Indianapolis, Indiana, advised that he buys old gold and coins. He stated that JAMES O'BRIEN advised him that he was a retired dentist and he travels constantly around the country buying old gold from dentists.

Mr. TURNER stated he had not seen O'BRIEN since last November or December. He recalled that mail came to his place of business for O'BRIEN but that he had returned this mail to the sender indicating O'BRIEN did not reside or conduct business at this address.

TURNER described O'BRIEN as being between 65 and 70 years of age, white, male, thin build, white hair, and having a height averaging between 5'10" and 6'. He stated he could not recall O'BRIEN ever having a car when he came to his place of business.

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JAYNE WHIPPLE, Vehicle Registration Section, Bureau of Motor Vehicles, State of Indiana, Indianapolis, Indiana, advised that 1964 Indiana license 49 Z 9831 was issued to PATRICK C. O'BARA, 2049 North Meridian, Indianapolis, for a 1957 Plymouth four-door sedan, VIN 16216808.

Miss WHIPPLE further advised that by checking the Vehicle Identification Number, it appears that this corresponds to a 1957 Plymouth Savoy four-door sedan registered under title number D295909. The car was originally owned by a JENNIEL MC GUIRE and/or ETHRIDGE MC GUIRE, 1626 North 13th Street, Lafayette, Indiana.

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HARRY HAMMOND, Benefits Auditor, Mutual of Omaha Insurance Company, 1119 South Sixth Street, Springfield, Illinois, advised as follows:

His office supervises claims developed in the Bloomington, Illinois area or on policies issued by agents assigned to the Bloomington, Illinois area.

He himself had conducted investigation on a claim regarding one JAMES O'BRIEN, which developed on policy number 30HO-492930-62M, on which the last premium was paid January 1, 1963 and which was assigned claim number 7-652494. This policy was issued at Bloomington, Illinois, and the application indicated the policy holder was born April 9, 1896 in Kansas. JOHN MELVIN DILLEY was the agent making the sale.

He had only a skeleton file as the main file has been sent to the Home Office at Omaha, Nebraska, under the supervision of either Mr. W.E. HEWITT, Assistant Zone Director, or Mr. L.A. BUKACEK, Zone Director for the Central Zone.

His recollection was that about in May, 1963, he attempted to locate O'BRIEN, who had filed a claim for benefits under the policy. He did not locate O'BRIEN.

In his investigation, he contacted JOHN DILLEY, who stated that this was a transient type of business in that O'BRIEN called the office and DILLEY subsequently contacted him and sold the contract. DILLEY advised there was no relationship or previous contact existing between him and the policy holder.

His investigation indicated O'BRIEN was a purchaser of used cars which were shipped to California for resale, but he never located any business contacts of O'BRIEN. He recalled that the contract probably specified O'BRIEN had a contact at the Douglas Hotel in Elgin, Illinois, and he one time telephonically contacted a desk clerk named CHRIS (last name unknown), who seemed

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to know a good deal about the habits of O'BRIEN. He believed that along in May of 1963, he left a message with CHRIS for O'BRIEN to contact him but because O'BRIEN never did contact him, he has no way of establishing whether the message was actually delivered.

In his investigation, he contacted the associate agents of the Mutual of Omaha at Bloomington, Illinois and all stated they had no information concerning O'BRIEN.

It was his recollection that O'BRIEN had filed a claim for medical attention furnished to him in a clinic in either Kentucky or Tennessee, no specific location was recalled. The basis of the claim was not recalled, but supposedly was the result of some automobile accident.

He also recalled that the policy holder had probably indicated a previous history of gastric ulcer and a heart condition.

About \$425.00 in medical benefits would probably be payable to O'BRIEN if he is located. If he supplied a fraudulent application to the insurance company, he would then be entitled to the refund of the premiums paid.

He terminated his investigation and closed the file for inattention by the insured in June of 1963 and forwarded the file to the Home Office Repository.

Since that action on his part, the Home Office has not indicated any contact with O'BRIEN through any of its agencies scattered over the United States.

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JOHN MELVIN DILLEY identified himself as a sales agent for the Mutual of Omaha Insurance Company, and furnished the following information.

Due to an involved investigation conducted by the insurance company in an attempt to locate O'BRIEN, he recalled a JAMES O'BRIEN as a transient customer who contacted the insurance company concerning insurance. Subsequently, he met O'BRIEN at a hotel in Bloomington and sold a contract.

He recalled O'BRIEN told him he was just traveling around and ought to have insurance because one never knew when they might be sick and need insurance coverage.

He said he had a vague recollection that O'BRIEN was in some sort of automobile business, but he could not be certain.

O'BRIEN was not known to any of the other agents in the Bloomington office. DILLEY was not aware of any other contacts of O'BRIEN in the Bloomington, Illinois area with the exception that he thought O'BRIEN mentioned contacting a Doctor LIVINGSTON because of a cold condition. Again, he said he could not be sure of this recollection.

He concluded his remarks by stating he saw O'BRIEN on only one occasion and that was at the time of the policy sale.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 6/24/641

Mrs. ELIZABETH FORTNER, Clerk in the office of Doctor ED LIVINGSTON, 311 Griesheim Building, Bloomington, Illinois, advised that a search of records dated from 1955 to the current date failed to identify any record of a client by the name of JAMES O'BRIEN.

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RE: JAMES M. O'BRIEN, aka
J. Mike O'Brien, James
Michael O'Brien, John
Mike O'Brien

AT CLEVELAND, TENNESSEE:

Mrs. LUCILLE TATE, Route 6, Westside Drive, telephone number 472-7525, advised SA FREDERICK G. COLLARD on June 12, 1964, that she met an individual who identified himself as JOHN MIKE O'BRIEN at Campbell's Clinic, Chattanooga, Tennessee, in October, 1962. Mrs. TATE had taken her brother, JAMES D. FEIZER, to the clinic for x-rays to be made and while at the clinic with her brother, had met O'BRIEN through the night nurse, HELEN ASHLEY. Mrs. TATE had run small errands for O'BRIEN, who was confined to the hospital, and had informed her he had been there for two or three weeks suffering with a heart condition.

Sometime between Thanksgiving and December 1, 1962, O'BRIEN came to the residence of Mrs. TATE in Cleveland, Tennessee, remained for a few hours, and later returned about Christmas, 1962, at which time he remained in her home for about two weeks.

During the year 1963, O'BRIEN visited Mrs. TATE at her home at the following times: February, 1963, remaining for about 10 days; last part of April, 1963, for a few days; June 16 or 17, 1963, remaining for two or three weeks; September 7 or 8, 1963, did not stay at her home. December 1, 1963, did not stay at her home.

Mrs. TATE advised she does not know the present location of O'BRIEN, and if she does develop any information as to his whereabouts she will immediately notify the FBI.

Mrs. TATE advised she knows very little concerning this man as he told her he did not have any relatives whatsoever. She stated that she received several letters from O'BRIEN during 1963; however, they were always on stationery of some hotel from cities throughout the eastern part of the United States. Some of the hotels were as follows: