

SAC, Dallas (89-43-3697)

10/6/64

Director, FBI

MR. ROY S. TRULY, SUPERINTENDENT
TEXAS SCHOOL BOOK DEPOSITORY
411 ELM STREET, DALLAS, TEXAS

1 - Mr. Sullivan (R. E. Lusk)
1 - Mr. DeLoach (C. C. Morrel)
1 - Mr. Callahan (L. J. Gauthier)
1 - Mr. Belmont
1 - Mr. Rosen
1 - Mr. Malley
1 - Mr. Shroder
1 - Mr. Rogge

Rourlet 9/30/64, recommending a letter of appreciation be sent to Mr. Truly.

The assistance rendered by Truly does not appear to be unique or unusual considering Truly's position and the circumstances surrounding the assassination investigation. You are also reminded Truly, at times, has indicated reluctance to comply with some of our requests made on behalf of the President's Commission.

In view of the above, no further action is being taken on your request.

① - 62-109060 (Assassination of President Kennedy)

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Note:

Truly is warehouse superintendent at the Texas School Book Depository from where Oswald fired the shots that killed President Kennedy. Although Truly has cooperated with us in many instances he has at times balked or indicated reluctance to comply with some of our requests made on behalf of the President's Commission. Truly has also made several statements to the press concerning investigation in progress at the Texas School Book Depository. It is not felt the assistance rendered by him should be considered any more than that expected from any American citizen in a comparable position under similar circumstances. Further, it is possible Truly might endeavor to capitalize on any such letter from the Director by seeking publicity to exaggerate the part he played in this investigation. In view of the above, it is not recommended a letter of appreciation be sent to Truly.

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Date: 10/1/64

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Via

AIRTEL

(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (62-109060)

FROM: SAC, CLEVELAND (62-1848)

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

Handwritten: LHM
HAYES

Enclosed for the Bureau are 4 copies of a LHM recording information regarding captioned matter furnished telephonically on 9/30/64 by [redacted] who requested that his name not be disclosed as a source of this information due to the fact [redacted]. Information copies of the LHM are enclosed for Dallas and Buffalo in view of the nature of the information furnished.

Leads are not being set out in this matter in view of the conclusions drawn by the Warren Commission. This information is not being disseminated to Secret Service at the local level, nor is any investigation being conducted by this division.

NOTE: DO NOT DISSEMINATE ENCLOSED LHM IN PRESENT FORM

- 3 - Bureau (Enc.)
- 1 - Buffalo (Info) (Enc. 1)
- 1 - Dallas (Info) (Enc. 1)
- 1 - Cleveland

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FOR [redacted]

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Approved: _____

Special Agent in Charge

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Per _____

100 copies retained in [redacted]

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to

File #

Cleveland, Ohio
October 1, 1964

GERALD "JERRY" TAYLOR

An individual who wished his identity protected and who is closely associated with Robert Quinlan, 24 Thomas Street, Tiffin, Ohio, Ohio, telephonically advised on September 30, 1964, that the recent publicity relating to the Warren Commission Report on the assassination of the late President Kennedy has revived something that has been disturbing him since the time of the assassination. He related the following information:

Quinlan received a call from one Gerald "Jerry" Taylor, a schoolmate of Quinlan's wife, who asked them if they could come to Northeastern Pennsylvania to pick him up and drive him back to Rochester, New York. At that time, the Quinlans were living in Rochester, New York. Quinlan's wife, a long-time friend of Taylor, persuaded Quinlan to drive to the intersection of Interstate 90 and Route 20, about two miles west of the New York State line, to pick Taylor up and drive him back to Rochester. During the trip, Taylor related he had just come from Dallas, Texas, where he had been living for the past several years. During this or subsequent conversations, Taylor remarked he "hated" President Kennedy and on at least one occasion contradicted himself about being in Dallas. Following their return to Rochester, during the early morning hours, Taylor stayed for several hours at Quinlan's home, then was driven by Quinlan's wife to the residence of Loren and Carol Conley, who live on Fulton Avenue, in Rochester, New York.

The thing that disturbed informant about this entire matter is that Taylor's profile is almost identical to Lee Harvey Oswald's, although the full face view does not bear a close resemblance. Although he was cognizant of

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RE: GERALD "JERRY" TAYLOR

this resemblance and the fact that Taylor came to Rochester, New York, from Dallas, Texas, shortly after the assassination, and later returned to Dallas, after the trial of Jack Ruby was in progress, he thought that authorities might consider he was unduly alarmed if he reported this information.

The recent publicity given to the Warren Report with attendant photos of Oswald has reminded him of the extremely close resemblance of Taylor's profile to that of Oswald's, and the other disturbing fact is that Taylor returned to Rochester just after the assassination and made the comment he "hated" President Kennedy, and that he returned to Dallas after the Ruby trial was underway.

He stated that she should know Taylor very well and would have additional information regarding him. Informant does not know her present address but this could be determined from Mrs. Sandra (Duane) Wickner, 76 York Street, Rochester, New York.

Following is a description of Taylor furnished by the informant:

Name	Gerald "Jerry" Taylor
Race	White
Sex	Male
Age	29 (appears to be 32-33)
Height	5'8"
Weight	140 pounds
Hair	Dark brown, receding

This document contains neither recommendations nor conclusions of the FBI. It is the property of the FBI and is loaned to your agency; it and its contents are not to be distributed outside your agency.

10-7-64

Airtel

1 - Mr. Rogge

To: SAC Cleveland (62-1848)

From: Director, FBI (62-109060)

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ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT
JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY
11-22-63, DALLAS, TEXAS
MISC. - INFO CONCERNING

ReCVairtel and enclosed letterhead memorandum dated 10-1-64, relating to Gerald "Jerry" Taylor.

The letterhead memorandum submitted by you is not acceptable for dissemination. So that this matter can be intelligently evaluated, you are instructed to reinterview Quinlan for full details concerning the alleged statements made by Taylor. In addition, you should specifically determine the date when Taylor allegedly visited Rochester, New York, and the date when he allegedly returned to Dallas. Of particular significance would be whether Quinlan was in Dallas on 11-22-63 when the President was assassinated.

In addition to the above, the following corrections to your letterhead memorandum should be made:

1. Page 1, Paragraph 1, Line 3, Word 5, should be deleted. Line 5, Words 3, 4 and 5, should be put in quotation marks. Paragraph 2, Line 2, next to last word should be changed to "him." Beginning of Line 9, should read "to pick Taylor up and drive him back..."

2. Page 2, Line 9, Words 4 and 5, should be in quotation marks. Line 10, delete first word. Line 11, place a period after Word 5, delete Word 6 and start a new sentence with Word 7.

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- Tolson _____
- Belmont _____
- Mohr _____
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- Gandy _____

1 - Buffalo
1 - Dallas (89-43)

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SEE NOTE PAGE TWO

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Airtel to SAC, Cleveland
RE: ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT

After determining the full facts, you should determine whether additional investigation is necessary and if so, appropriate leads should be set out. For example, it may be necessary to interview [redacted] and Taylor. You are also reminded that [redacted]

[redacted] It is also pointed out the FBI has the responsibility of thoroughly investigating allegations concerning the assassination and that while [redacted] has requested his identity be protected, it may not be possible to honor his request and conduct a thorough investigation at the same time. Cleveland should advise [redacted] that we will endeavor to honor his request insofar as it is investigatively practicable.

When your letterhead memorandum is in an acceptable form, copies should be disseminated to the U. S. Secret Service locally and copies of same furnished to Buffalo, Dallas and the Bureau so that dissemination can be made to Secret Service Headquarters in Washington, D. C.

NOTE: [redacted] (who requested his identity be protected) advised on 9-30-64, that [redacted] Gerald "Jerry" Taylor, indicated he had returned from Dallas where he had been living and is reported to have stated he "hated" President Kennedy. [redacted] [redacted] also stated Taylor's profile resembles Oswald and he did not report this before because "authorities might consider he was unduly alarmed." Before any further action can be taken, it is necessary that additional information be obtained by Cleveland, at which time a determination will be made as to whether further investigation is necessary. In view of Taylor's alleged statement indicating he "hated" the President, copies of Cleveland's revised letterhead memorandum will be furnished to the U. S. Secret Service.

10-5-64

airtel airmail

JIT

To: SAC, Dallas (100-10461)

From: Director, FBI (105-82553)

Re: LEE HARVEY OSWALD, AKA;
IS -R- CUBA.

Reference Bmirtel to Houston 8-21-64 and Dallas airtel
10-2-64.

Remaining latent palm print on carton in this case not
identical palm prints of SA Edmond C. Hardin.

1- Houston (105-1291)

1- Mr. Rosen (Attention: Mr. James R. Malley)

① 62-109060 (Assassination) *of Pres. John F. Kennedy*

1- 62-109090 (President's Commission)

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Date: 10/5/64

- Mr. Tolson _____
- Mr. Belmont _____
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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL REGISTERED SPECIAL DELIVERY (Priority)

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (62-109060)
 FROM: SAC, SAN ANTONIO (89-67) (P)
 RE: ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY, 11/22/63, DALLAS, TEXAS

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ReButel to San Antonio 9/30/64 and San Antonio tel to Bureau 10/5/64.

Texas DC

WAGGONER V. CARR

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are 2 copies of the Texas Attorney General's report concerning the assassination of President KENNEDY.

Enclosed for Dallas is 1 copy of that report.

Texas Supplemental Report on the Assassination of President John F. Kennedy and the Serious Wounding of Governor John B. Connally

ENCLOSURE
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 2-Dallas (Enc. 1) (89-43) (AMSD RM)
 2-San Antonio

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ENCLOSURE ATTACHED

C. C. Wick

memo Belmont to Tolson 10/9/64 re report of Texas atty Gen. Waggoner Carr to Gov. JB Connally regarding event in Dallas on 11/22/63 and subsequent thereto.

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OCT 12 1964

Special Agent in Charge

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TO : Mr. Belmont *W*

DATE: October 6, 1964

FROM : A. Rosen *AR*

- 1 - W. C. Sullivan (R. E. Lenihan)
- 1 - Mr. C. D. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. Rosen
- 1 - Mr. Malley
- 1 - Mr. Shroder
- 1 - Mr. Rogge

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

PURPOSE

To recommend the attached All SACs and All Legats airtel be approved and disseminated to the field.

DETAILS

Although the President's Commission Report on the assassination of President Kennedy has been published, it is anticipated complaints and allegations will continue to be received. We intend to investigate each and every such complaint and allegation thoroughly.

The Commission was requested by letter to advise us to whom our investigative results should be disseminated after the Commission terminates. However as of this date no reply has been received.

It is felt the field should be put on notice that this matter will continue to be closely followed by the Bureau and they should be advised as to the administrative handling of investigation conducted.

RECOMMENDATION

That the attached communication be approved and disseminated to All SACs and All Legats.

- Enclosure
- 1 - Foreign Liaison
 - 1 - 62-109090 (President's Commission)
 - 1 - 105-82555 (Lee Harvey Oswald)

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Handwritten signatures and initials: J. Edgar Hoover, R. E. Lenihan, etc.

Handwritten initials: b. H. R., S. J. G.

10-6-64

- 1 - W. C. Sullivan (R. E. Leniha)
- 1 - C. D. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. Rosen
- 1 - Mr. Malley
- 1 - Mr. Shroder
- 1 - Mr. Rogge

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62-109060-3837

To: All SACs,
All Legats

From: Director, FBI (62-109060)

**ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT
JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY
11-22-63, DALLAS, TEXAS
MISC. - INFO CONCERNING**

Although the President's Commission's report on the assassination of President Kennedy has been published, it is anticipated complaints and allegations will continue to be received concerning the assassination. These complaints, allegations and the like must continue to be appropriately investigated and the results reported.

Miscellaneous-type complaints and allegations will be reported under the above caption by Dallas, the office of origin (Dallas file 89-43), while information specifically relating to Lee Harvey Oswald will be reported under the caption "Lee Harvey Oswald, aka., IS - R - Cuba," Bureau file 105-82555, Dallas file 100-10461.

Investigative results should be prepared in accordance with existing Bureau reporting procedures with the exception that 25 copies of inserts and FD-302s, where necessary, should be furnished to Dallas for incorporation in subsequent reports under the applicable captions.

It cannot be emphasized too strongly that thoroughness of investigation is absolutely essential. It will be the responsibility of the office first receiving the complaints or allegations or to whom the Bureau first refers a matter for investigation, to conduct a thorough inquiry and promptly initiate logical investigation where necessary. Meticulous care must be taken in preparing investigative results to preclude the necessity of Dallas' making corrections and/or revisions.

- 1 - Foreign Liaison
- 1 - 62-109090 (President's Commission)
- 1 - 105-82555 (Lee Harvey Oswald)

RDR:las (142)

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Airtel to All SACs,
All Legats
RE: ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT

Those matters received, which would appear to require prompt dissemination, should be submitted to the Bureau and Dallas in a letterhead memorandum without property stamp. In those instances where investigative results are furnished by letterhead memorandum, inserts need not be submitted to Dallas. Any question which should arise with regard to the appropriateness of disseminating information, should be resolved in favor of submitting a letterhead memorandum at which time a decision as to dissemination will be made or further instructions issued.

NOTE:

This is being sent in order to reiterate prior instructions and to remind our offices and personnel that this matter will continue to be closely followed by the Bureau. The Commission has been requested to advise us to which authority our investigative results should be furnished when the Commission finally terminates all its activities. As of this date we have not been advised; however, all results will be incorporated in report form and disseminated to the Commission or its duly designated authority.

See memorandum Rosen to Belmont, "Assassination of President Kennedy," 10/6/64, RDR:las.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

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TO DIRECTOR 62-109060

FROM LOS ANGELES 89-75 2P

- Mr. Tolson ✓
- Mr. Belmont ✓
- Mr. Mohr ✓
- Mr. DeLoach ✓
- Mr. Casper ✓
- Mr. Callahan ✓
- Mr. Conrad ✓
- Mr. Evans ✓
- Mr. G. ✓
- Mr. L. ✓
- Mr. Sullivan ✓
- Mr. Tavel ✓
- Mr. Trotter ✓
- Tele. Room ✓
- Miss Holmes ✓
- Miss Gandy ✓

ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY,

NOVEMBER TWENTY TWO SIXTY THREE, DALLAS, TEXAS, MISC.

INFORMATION CONCERNING. ^{Office of Dir.} DALLAS.

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RE BUREAU RADIOGRAM TO LOS ANGELES OCTOBER FIVE LAST.

GEORGE CECIL THOMSON ASCERTAINED TO HAVE PROPERTY

IN PALM SPRINGS, LOCATED AND INTERVIEWED TODAY AT HIS OFFICE AT GLENDALE, CALIF. STATES HE HAS REVIEWED HIGHLIGHTS OF WARREN REPORT AND FEELS DISCREPANCY EXISTS BETWEEN MR. CONNALLY-S ACCOUNT AND COMMISSION CONCLUSIONS

AS TO THE ACTUAL BULLET SEQUENCE AND DIRECTION ON OCCASION OF ASSASSINATION. HE HAS SET OUT ANALYSIS AND FINDINGS

IN SEVEN PAGE DOCUMENT TITLED "THE QUEST FOR TRUTH" UNQUOTE, COPIES OF WHICH HE HAS FURNISHED THE DIRECTOR,

FBI; RICHARD NIXON, BARRY GOLDWATER AND VARIOUS NEWS MEDIA, INCLUDING THE "CHRISTIAN SCIENCE MONITOR" UNQUOTE.

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STATES HE CALLED MR. HOOVER LAST FRIDAY, SPOKE TO A SPECIAL AGENT REPRESENTING DIRECTOR AND FURNISHED HIS VIEWS SUBSTANTIALLY IN THE MATTER. HE FEELS ADDITIONAL INVESTIGATION IN ORDER TO IDENTIFY TRUE MURDERER OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY.

THOMSON IDENTIFIED HIMSELF AS CIVIL ENGINEER, GRADUATE OF UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA IN THIRTY SEVEN; BORN DARLINGTON, ENGLAND, DECEMBER FIVE, THIRTEEN, NATURALIZED CITIZEN BY DERIVATION, CAME TO U. S. WITH MOTHER IN TWENTY FIVE, CONGRESSMAN JOHN D. FREDERICKS OF CALIFORNIA SPONSORED ENTRY IN TWENTY FIVE. HE IS CAUCASIAN, ONE HUNDRED SIXTY FIVE POUNDS, FIVE FEET TEN AND ONE HALF INCHES, BROWN HAIR, HAR SPARCE, GRAYING. HIS GENERAL DEMEANOR DURING COURSE OF INTERVIEW GAVE INTERVIEWING AGENT REASON TO QUESTION HIS MENTAL HEALTH, THOUGH NO EVIDENCE OF THIS NATURE DEVELOPED TO DATE. INVESTIGATION CONTINUING AT LOS ANGELES AND APPROPRIATE LHM AND INSERTS WILL BE FURNISHED BUREAU AND DALLAS RESPECTIVELY.

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10/8/64
GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION

On 10/3/64, George C. Thompson sent telegram to the Bureau stating "have definite proof Oswald innocent please advise proper course of action." Based on information furnished, Thompson was not identified in Bureau files. Los Angeles was instructed to conduct investigation. There appears to be some question regarding Thompson's mental health. Investigation continuing.

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JGM

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10-12-64

Airtel

To: SAC, Dallas (100-10461)

From: Director, FBI (105-82555)

LEE HARVEY OSWALD, AKA;
IS - R - CUBA

Reurairtel 10-9-64, submitting the palm prints of the following listed employees for comparison with the remaining latent palm print from the cardboard cartons recovered in this case:

- SA Joe B. Abernathy
- SA John V. Almon
- SA Robert J. Anderson
- SA James W. Anderton
- SA James W. Bookhout
- ASAC Kyle G. Clark
- SA Jack A. French
- SA Will Hayden Griffin
- SA Robert C. Lish
- SA Joseph M. Myers
- SA Alfred D. Necloy
- SA Bardwell D. Odum
- EA Curtis L. Perryman
- SA Richard T. Rabideau
- Marian F. Roberts
- SAC J. Gordon Shanklin
- SA James W. Swinford
- SA Gaston C. Thompson
- SA Carl E. Underhill
- SA Paul E. Wulff

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The latent palm print is not identical with these submitted palm prints.

The submitted prints are being retained.

- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. Conrad
- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Rosen (Attention: Mr. James R. Malley)
- 1 - Mr. Sullivan (Attention: Mr. R. E. Lenihan)
- ① - 62-109060 (Assassination) of Pres. J. F. Kennedy
- 1 - 62-109090 (President's Commission)

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MR. TROTTER

10-12-64

S. P. Latona

LEE HARVEY OSWALD, AKA;
IS - R - CUBA

The palm prints of the following listed Bureau employees were submitted by the Dallas Division for comparison with the remaining latent palm print from the cardboard cartons recovered in this case:

- SA Joe B. Abernathy
- SA John V. Almon
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- SA Gaston C. Thompson
- SA Carl E. Underhill
- SA Paul E. Wulff

The latent palm print is not identical with those submitted palm prints.

The submitted prints are being retained, Dallas and Investigative Division being advised.

ACTION:

For information,

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105-32555

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1 - Mr. Belmont

1 - Mr. Conrad

1 - Mr. DeLoach

1 - Mr. Rosen (Attention: Mr. James R. Malloy)

1 - Mr. Sullivan (Attention: Mr. R. E. Louihan)

1 - 62-109360 (Assassination) of Pres. J. F. Kennedy
1 - 62-109090 (President's Commission)

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Airtel

To: SAC, Dallas (100-10131)

From: Director, FBI (105-82535)

LEE HARVEY OSWALD, AKA;
IS - R - CUBA

Reurairtel 10-12-64, submitting the palm prints of the following listed employees for comparison with the remaining latent palm print from the cardboard cartons recovered in this case:

- Edna E. Anderson
- Patricia S. Bently
- Jewell E. Gilstrap
- Joe C. Hays, Jr.
- EA Wallace R. Heitman
- SA Emory E. Horton
- SA Edwin D. Kuykendall
- Melon V. May
- Evelyn Middleton
- EA Milton L. Newsom

The latent palm print is not identical with these submitted palm prints.

The submitted prints are being retained.

- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. Conrad
- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Rosen (Attention: Mr. James R. Malley)
- 1 - Mr. Sullivan (Attention: Mr. R. E. Lonihan)
- 1 - 62-109000 (Assassination) *of Pres. J.F. Kennedy*
- 1 - 62-100090 (President's Commission)

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UNITED STATES

DEPARTMENT

Memorandum

- 1 - Mr. Con. *8* enclosure
- 1 - Mr. Jevons enclosure
- 1 - Mr. Frazier - Enclosure
- 2 - Mr. Griffith - Enclosure
- 1 - Office, Room 7133 - Enc.

DATE: 10-14-64

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TO : Mr. Conrad *J*

FROM : R. H. Jevons *J*

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

Reference memorandum dated February 26, 1964, from W. D. Griffith concerning a continuing project wherein the Bureau had undertaken to furnish the Commission with photographs of all Commission exhibits.

On October 14, 1964, Miss Mary A. Rowcotsky delivered to Special Agent Robert A. Frazier Commission Exhibit Number 1979 and Commission Exhibit Number 2188d. She requested two photographs of each of these Exhibits be furnished the Commission.

This work will be handled by an Agent Examiner of the Laboratory's Document Section.

A complete description of the items appears on the attached sheet.

ACTION: Exhibits will be photographed and furnished the Commission as requested along with the Commission Exhibits.

Enclosure

62-109060

- 1 - Mr. Belmont - Enclosure
- 1 - Mr. Rosen - Enclosure
- 1 - Mr. Sullivan - Enclosure
- 1 - Mr. Malley - Enclosure
- 1 - Mr. Callahan (Attention - Mr. C. Q. Smith) - Enclosure

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COMMISSION'S EXHIBIT NO.

DESCRIPTION

1979

Dallas Transit Co.
map of Dallas

2188d

Blueprint of blocks
one through thirteen,
Dallas, Texas

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ENCLOSURE

62-109060-3839

FBI

Date: 10/9/64

Transmit the following in _____

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AIRTEL

AIR MAIL - REGISTERED

Via _____

(Priority or Method of Mailing)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (62-109060)

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (89-75)

RE: ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT
JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY,
11/22/63, Dallas,
Texas

MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING
Re Los Angeles teletype to Bureau, 10/7/64.
Enclosed for the Bureau are 10 copies of a

letterhead memorandum reflecting the results of the interview
with GEORGE CECIL THOMSON. Enclosed for Dallas are 25 copies
of an FD-302 reflecting the results of the interview with
THOMSON, 25 copies of a one-page investigative insert, and
one copy of the above-mentioned letterhead memo.

[Redacted] (Conceal), [Redacted]
California Water and Telephone Company, Palm Springs, Cali-
fornia, advised SAA J. CLAYTON TAYLOR on 10/6/64 that GEORGE
C. THOMSON, 769 Crescent Drive, Palm Springs, has unpublished
telephone number Fairview 45171 and has the mailing address
1528 Canada Boulevard, Suite 208, Glendale, California.

THOMSON stated he feels the case warrants additional
investigation, particularly with regard to the following
matters, and he specifically requested that they not be
disseminated outside the FBI. He suggested that these matters
be furnished the Bureau in code for security purposes.

- (1) OSWALD's trip through Mexico prior to the
assassination of President KENNEDY and his
detour through the town of Alice, in Mexico.

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- (2) Mrs. PAINE, the lady who befriended Mrs. OSWALD and allowed Mrs. OSWALD to stay in her home.
- (3) The FBI interview with Mrs. PAINE and whether the interviewing agent had anything to do about her suggestion that OSWALD be given a job in the Book Depository.
- (4) Mr. TRULY's hiring of OSWALD at the Book Depository.
- (5) At who's suggestion did PRISCILLA JOHNSON go to Moscow and interview LEE HARVEY OSWALD?
- (6) Obtaining and clinically analyzing all events transpiring in the Russian Embassy during the pertinent period.
- (7) Identifying all Washington ties between any associates of RUBY.
- (8) Events linking ROBERT G. BAKER to suspects in the assassination.
- (9) The possibility of anyone in Government employment susceptible to any form of blackmail.
- (10) Identifying and searching out the person who shot President KENNEDY and the development of leads on the associations of this individual.
- (11) Determining the present whereabouts of the RUBY associate reportedly hitchhiking as referred to in the WARREN Report.
- (12) A determination of details on the selection of the Warren Committee.

THOMSON, during the course of the interview, appeared wild-eyed, mentioning several times that he felt the results of his analysis of the assassination were momentous and he gave

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the impression of being completely convinced his conclusions were correct and the conclusions as reflected in the WARREN Report concerning the actual bullet sequence and direction were in error. He seemed extremely nervous and very concerned about the necessity for additional investigation being conducted in the matter.

He reported that he attempted to contact Mr. HOOVER, of the FBI, 10/2/64, in Washington, telephonically last Friday at 1:00 PM, without success. He stated that he was able to talk with SA O'BRIEN regarding his findings and that SA O'BRIEN recorded his information on a tape recorder. He has discussed the matter with various acquaintances, none of whom appears to be particularly impressed or concerned with his beliefs.

No record identifiable with GEORGE CECIL THOMSON was located in the Los Angeles indices.

*No further action warranted
This matter will be reported
by Dallas & disseminated to
the President's Commission as
it is duly designated, without*



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Los Angeles, California
October 9, 1964

ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT
JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY,
NOVEMBER 22, 1963, DALLAS,
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A telegram, dated October 3, 1964, was received by the Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation, from George Cecil Thomson, Palm Springs, California, which stated that he had definite proof of the innocence of Lee Harvey Oswald, and he requested advice as to his proper course of action. As a consequence, Thomson was interviewed by a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation at his office, located at 1528 Canada Boulevard, Glendale, California, on October 7, 1964, and he furnished the following information:

He read with a great deal of interest the highlights of the Warren Report, set out recently in "Newsweek" magazine. He believes a discrepancy exists between Mr. Connally's account and the conclusions reached with regard to the actual bullet sequence and the direction of fire. He conducted a study of the matter and has set out his facts, findings and conclusions in an eight-page document titled, "The Quest for Truth," copies of which have been furnished to the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Richard Nixon, Senator Barry Goldwater, and various news media, including the "Christian Science Monitor." He feels additional investigation in the matter is warranted to attempt to identify the true assassin of President Kennedy.

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He does not appear that the purported shooting site of Oswald in the Book Depository Building was sufficiently large to accommodate Oswald, since a review of the newspaper photographs of the site disclosed a space of approximately one and one-half feet between the window from which the shots were

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NOVEMBER 22, 1963,
DALLAS, TEXAS

According to Thomson,

reportedly fired and the boxes stacked just inside the window. Also significant is the fact that Oswald is reported to have fired a rifle with a turned-down bolt, and in photographs appearing in various news media, including the photograph appearing in "Four Dark Days in History," the gun shown, which was reportedly used by Oswald, did not have the bolt turned down. This leads him to speculate that Oswald could have been "framed."

A "United Press International" dispatch, undated at New York, titled, "Oswald Bitter, Lonely in Moscow, Visitor Says," sets out information to the effect that four years ago Oswald was interviewed in Moscow by a woman reporter, Priscilla Johnson. According to the article, Johnson was at that time employed as a researcher in Senator Kennedy's office. Oswald sent a letter to Mr. Connally, dated January 30, 1961, protesting his discharge from the Service. He regards these matters as extremely dangerous, worthy of close evaluation, and feels that extreme care should be taken in analyzing and drawing conclusions from these matters.

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Thomson, called

Thomson

1. He was born December 5, 1913, in Darlington, England, came to the United States with his mother in 1925, and is a naturalized American citizen by derivation. His entry into the United States was sponsored by Congressman John D. Fredericks of California, in 1925. He is a male caucasian, 5'10½" tall, weighs 165 pounds, has brown eyes, and greying hair, sparse on the top of his head. He is married to Donna T. Thomson, has three daughters, ages 22, 18 and 15, and resides at 917 Briarwood Lane, Glendale, California.

Thomson continued

1. He was graduated in 1937 from the University of California, with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Civil Engineering, and following his graduation he worked for the Western Geophysical Company in Los Angeles for several years. He subsequently worked for the Southern California Gas Company, resigning about 1956 to set up his own practice in his own office on Canada Boulevard in Glendale, California.

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NOVEMBER 22, 1963,
DALLAS, TEXAS

Records at the Glendale Merchants Association and the Glendale Police Department, Glendale, California, were checked on October 8, 1964. No record identifiable with George Cecil Thomson was located.

Files at the Los Angeles Police Department and at the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Office, Los Angeles, California, were checked on October 8, 1964, and no record for George Cecil Thomson was located.

Records at the Palm Springs Police Department, Palm Springs, California, were checked on October 6, 1964, and no record identifiable with George Cecil Thomson was located.

Records at the Retail Merchants Credit Association of Los Angeles, checked on October 8, 1964, show that George Cecil Thomson, Glendale, California, was employed by the Southern California Gas Company as of November, 1951.

A copy of the document, "The Quest for Truth," was made available by Mr. Thomson and reads as follows:

~~THE QUEST FOR TRUTH~~
A Quizzical Look At The Warren Report

By
George G. Thomson

October 1961

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The following recent quotations are reproduced here here to emphasize the title of this article.

"The most important witness to appear before the Warren Commission in the ten months we sat, was a neat Bible reading steam fitter from Dallas. His name was Mr. H.L. Brennan."
Congressman Gerald R. Ford

"There was nothing up to the time of the assassination that gave any indication that this man was a dangerous character...."
J. Edgar Hoover

"Perhaps the most rumor-ridden subject of all was the direction from which the shots were fired.

Warren Report

"Because of the difficulty of proving negatives to a certainty, the possibility of others being involved with either Oswald or Ruby cannot be established categorically"
Warren Report

"In all criminal prosecutions, the accused shall enjoy the right to a speedy and public trial, by an impartial jury of the State and district wherein the crime shall have been committed, which district shall have been previously ascertained by law, and to be informed to the nature and cause of the accusation; to be confronted with the witnesses against him; to have compulsory process for obtaining witnesses in his favor, and to have the Assistance of Counsel for his defence."
Constitution United States, Articles in Addition (Article VI)

PREFACE

The following study has been undertaken since the details of the Warren Report were revealed last week and the entire line of thinking herein has been projected from the facts revealed in the report.

The discrepancy between Mr. Connally's account and the Commission's conclusions as to the actual bullet sequence and direction presented a fascinating challenge. This study is an answer to this challenge.

The solution and resolution of the problem seemed to lie somewhere in the application of the law of physics with respect to the behavior of bodies in motion and their relative position in space at definite periods of time, particularly at times of impact.

The conclusions reached by this study could be subjected to glaring light of further scrutiny by the use of three dimensional space models and computer studies. This, however is necessarily beyond the present range of the scope of this study.

The author asks the indulgence of his readers to carefully study all pictures and references carefully during perusal of this report, since a careless interpretation could impair the usefulness. This study is offered only as a possible help to the excellent presentation of facts assembled so laboriously by the United States government.

The reader is asked to refer to the recent periodicals listed below in order to fully understand the significance of this article, since small reproductions would not be useful.

- (1) Life Oct 2 1964
- (2) Time Oct 2 1964
- (3) Newsweek Oct 5 1964
- (4) Four Dark Days In History 1964

Pictures referred to as 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, in this report are sequence films shown in Life Magazine Oct 2 1964 edition.

FIRST BULLET

Let us first study • Picture #1, which is taken just after the impact of the first bullet.

Now, let's go to Picture #2, which shows Kennedy in a more erect position showing that the energy imparted from the bullet caused his head to move backward.

Now, refer to Picture (page 37 Newsweek) showing findings (Warren report findings) as to path of the first bullet which is indicated by the lower dot on the base of the neck.

Again refer to Picture #1, for the attitude of the head at the time of impact. It is concluded that in order for the wound at the throat and the wound at the back of the neck to be correlated the path of the bullet would have to be horizontal to " rip his windpipe " as per autopsy report. (see Newsweek page 37, but disregard superimposed dotted line in the review)

Kennedy's first reaction was to grab his throat, not the back of his neck (see Picture #2) and also Mrs. Connally's testimony stated there was no blood at the throat (page 35 of Newsweek) These facts would indicate that the bullet forced the blood in the direction of the bullet. (i.e. to the rear)

It is therefore concluded that the first bullet was travelling horizontally about five feet in height and that it went in ~~front~~ front to rear causing his head to go back, and resulted in his clutching his throat with no blood showing.

It is next desirable to determine what direction the bullet was going in order to determine the origin of the bullet.

From a study of the maps shown in Newsweek (pages 38 and 39) and from the direction of the bullet passing through Kennedy's neck, and the location of the presidential car shown on page 1, the bullet traveled from Southwest to Northeast which would be back toward the intersection of Houston Street and Elm Street.

SECOND BULLET

References for this study are as follows:

- (1) Quote from Newsweek's record of Warren Report page 37.
"The smaller hole in the rear of the President's skull was a point of entry and the larger opening on the right side of the head was wound of exit. (Conclusions of Warren Report)
- (2) Picture, page 37, Newsweek showing small white dot at the base of skull one quarter inch above dotted line. This is reconstructed as point of entry by Warren report.
- (3) Picture #5, of Life showing position of the head at the time of impact of the second bullet.

It is observed in Picture # 5 that if an imaginary line were drawn through point of entry and point of exit it would be horizontal, since Kennedy is slumped forward at the time of impact and the bullet would have to come from the left lower part of the picture to the right lower part in order to exit from the right front of his head (as shown in Picture #6)

Since Kennedy was falling to his left the force of the bullet would be counteracted by the weight of his body and therefore would not have a forward propelling effect on his head.

The blood is clearly visible in Picture #6, exiting from the front part of his head.

If the bullet had come directly from the Texas Book Depository Building, Kennedy's head would have been propelled forward. Pictures # 5 & 6, show his head moved backwards as he fell to the left.

As in the case of the first bullet, the blood was ejected in the same direction as the path of the bullet, and in no case did his head go forward, which would logically result if hit with a massive Blow directly from the rear in line with the Depository, as shown in the large picture page 40, Life.

Since the car had progressed approximately one hundred feet further West on Elm Street the anticipated direction of the second bullet would be now in a Westerly direction assuming the origin of both bullets to be the same.

A study of Picture #6, graphically verifies this observation.

SUMMARY OF CONCLUSIONS

By approximate triangulation we conclude that, both bullets resulting in injury to the President, originated at the Southwest corner of Houston and Elm Streets. Approximately in the vicinity of the monument shown South and West of the intersection. (see Picture page 35 Newsweek)

The first bullet was fired Northeasterly back toward the intersection just cleared. The bullet travelled about five feet above the ground horizontal, with the ground surface .

The bullet struck the President in the throat and passed through the rear of his neck.

The second bullet was fired Westerly from the same location at the Southwest corner of Houston and Elm, travelling horizontally about five feet above the ground, passing through the back of the President's head and out the right front section of his head. (see picture page 35 Newsweek, for reference)

It is doubtful whether either bullet was recovered.

The origin of the shots would seem to be approximately near curbside due to rapid reorientation of the direction of fire.

An estimate of one hundred feet between bullets as based upon a speed of approximately thirteen M.P.H. and a five second interval between shots as per Warren Report. which would make the maximum range of each shot in the order of about fifty feet assuming shots were fired equidistant from each target.

No effort will be made in this study to investigate possible other shots; However the observations of the Warren Report should be logically reviewed as follows.

Testimony of Mr. Brennan stated he saw Oswald " standing up and resting against the left window sill" during the firing. Reference page 46 Newsweek.

From a study of first news photos taken from (page 5) Four Dark Days In History, two photographs show the window open only one quarter at bottom.

Also reenactment (page 36 Newsweek) shows the window in the same position with photographer kneeling. This position would make it extremely difficult if not impossible for a man to shoot out of the window in a standing position as Brennan stated.

Mr. Brennan said he could identify the man even though Brennan wore glasses, was 45 years old, was one hundred and twenty feet away and the window was only partially open at the bottom, which according to reenactment picture would put him at least two feet behind the glass behind the door jamb, with only his lower torso and legs visible through the open portion of the window.

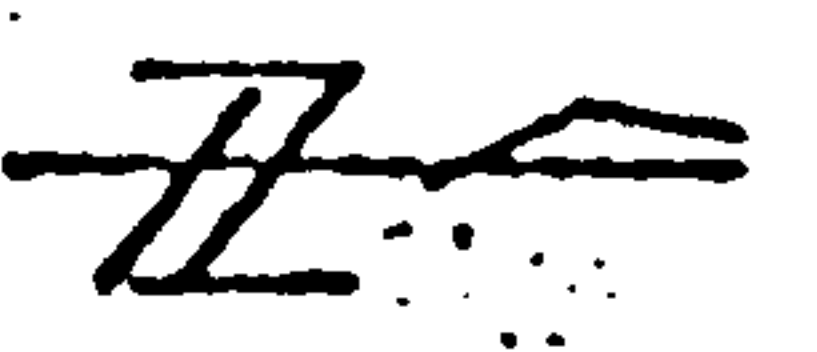
A conflicting witness Mr. Amos Lee Evans, said the window was under the building ledge, which would be the seventh floor window.

Photographs by two separate photographers failed to show any identifiable person at the sixth floor window, even though presumably persons were identified at the fifth floor window.

It is interesting to note that page 41 of Life Magazine shows the window in question a full half open, whereas pictures taken at the time of the shooting showed one quarter open in all cases.

This foregoing analysis brings up a host of new questions; however in the interest of avoiding further speculation these will be avoided at this time; however it is felt that the question of Oswald's guilt would probably have been best left in the hands of a jury.

Houston + Elm



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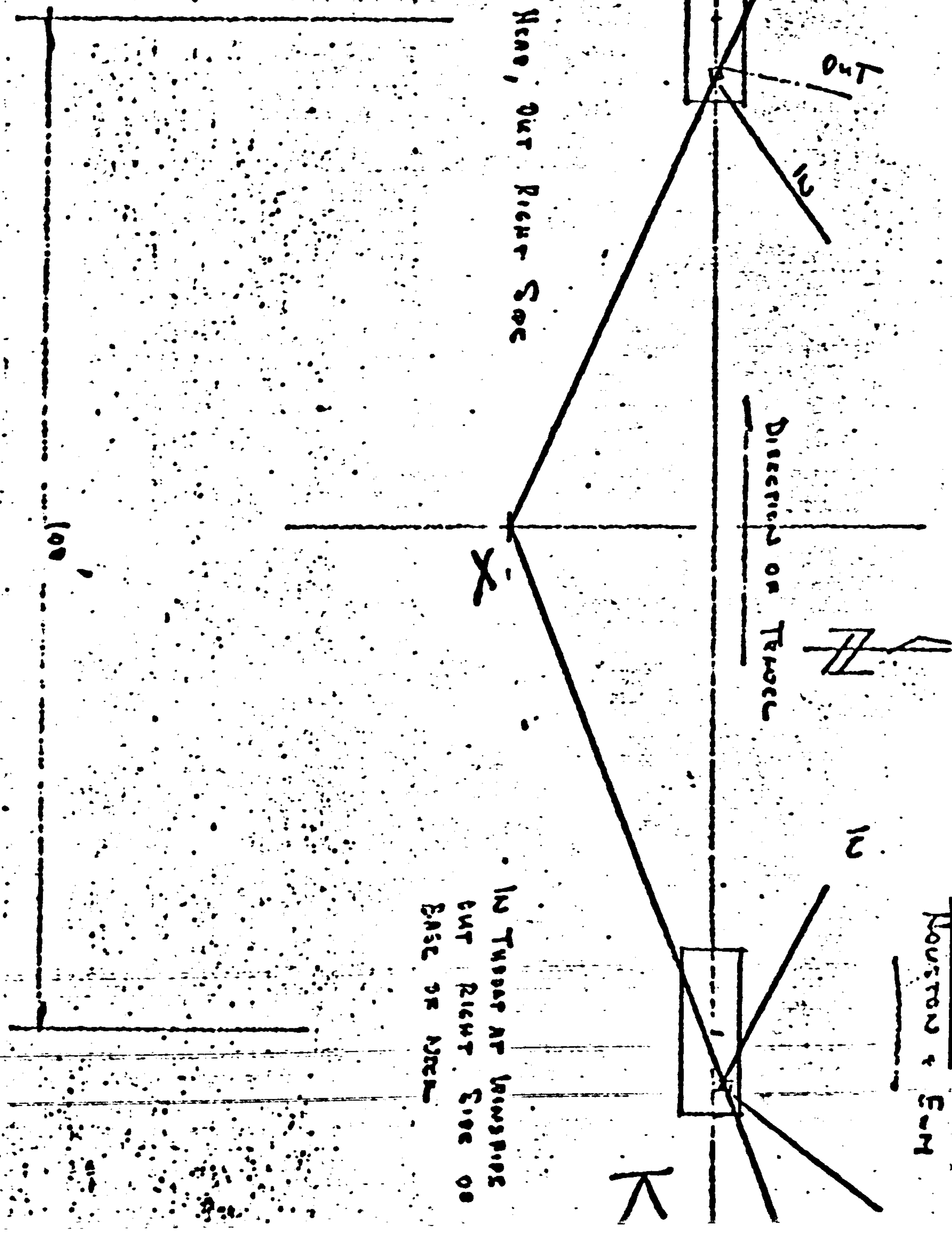
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Point X
Origin of Shots

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Date: 10/14/64

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ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT
 JOHN F. KENNEDY, DALLAS,
 TEXAS, 11/22/63
 MISCELLANEOUS -
 INFORMATION CONCERNING

RE: MARGARET HAMILL

Enclosed are copies of LHM containing information received from U.S. Department of State (USDS) by SA KENNETH J. HASER, WFO.

WFO files reflect JOHN PATRICK and MARGARET HAMILL were subjects of [redacted] investigation during 1961, in which New York was origin. Bureau file number for this case reflected as [87-58882] New York file [47-8676] and Los Angeles [87-13835].

Information obtained during that investigation indicated HAMILLS involved in [redacted]

At that time, HAMILLS claimed to have commitments for donations from the Ford Foundation, the Rockefeller Foundation, and the Joseph P. Kennedy, Jr. Foundation, provided enough local money could be raised.

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The [redacted] case file also reflects MARGARET HAMILL, using names of MARGARET LOGAN O'HAMILL and PEGGY O'HAMILL, sent and received correspondence from Attorney General ROBERT F. KENNEDY. She also corresponded with the USDS, [redacted]

Prosecution was declined in this case by AUSAs in Washington and New York.

One copy LHM being furnished Los Angeles in view of HAMILL'S previously having lived in that area, and since RAYE ROSENSWEIG reportedly maintains residence in Los Angeles.

REQUEST OF BUREAU

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Search Bureau indices in effort to locate record of any call HAMILL claims to have made to FBI to report assassination of President KENNEDY, prior to his being killed in Dallas on 11/22/63.

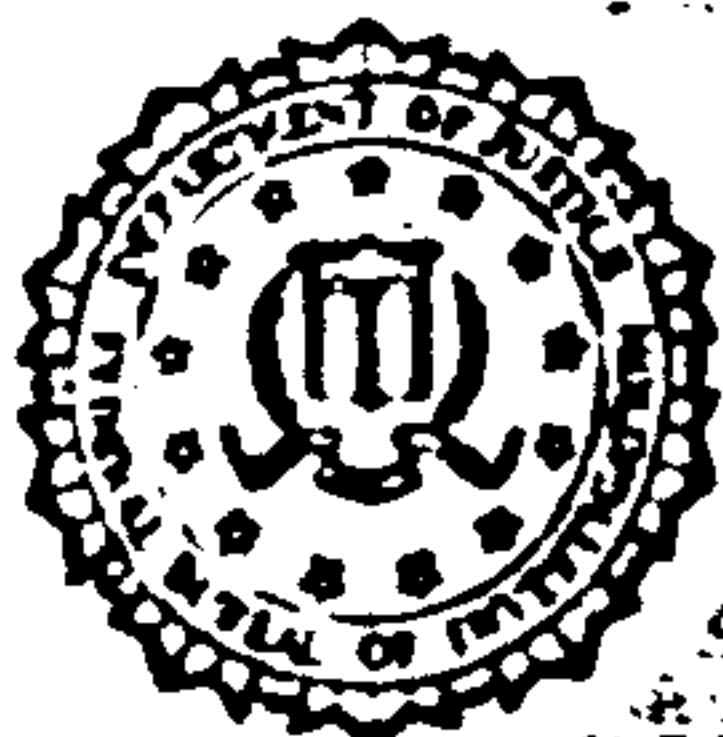
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NEW YORK

AT NEW YORK CITY. Will search indices in effort to locate record of call by HAMILL reporting that President KENNEDY was to be shot in Dallas. Also determine if HAMILL reported shot being fired at her while en route between Washington, D. C., and New York via train.

It is noted WFO files contain no record of any such calls ever being received from HAMILL.

In view of HAMILL'S background of being involved in [redacted] WFO anticipates conducting no further inquiry regarding her allegation that she advised the FBI that President KENNEDY would be shot in Dallas.



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

In Reply, Please Refer to
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October 14, 1964

~~MARGARET HAMILL,~~
ALSO KNOWN AS,
MRS. JOHN PATRICK HAMILL,
LYDIA LEWIS HAMILL,
MARGARET FOSTINI, *niece*
LYDIA FOSTINI,
MARGARET GHOLSTON,
MARGHERITA GIROSI,
MRS. CESARE GIROSI,
JOSEPHINE PATRICIA KENNEDY,
LYDIA LEWIS,
MARGHERITA MILLO,
MRS. GIOVANNI NILLO,
MARGARET GIROSI LOGAN,
MARGARET O'HAMILL,
"PEGGY"

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MARGARET HAMILL

Mr. John J. O'Dowd, Advisory Branch, Legal Division, Passport Office, Department of State, Washington, D. C., advised a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) on October 13, 1964, the Department of State, Washington, D. C., had received information that date to the effect Margaret Hamill has claimed to have known President John F. Kennedy was to be killed in Dallas, Texas, and that she had made repeated calls to the FBI to no avail.

Mr. O'Dowd informed Margaret Hamill has been of interest to the Passport Office since she claims to be Josephine Patricia Kennedy, the illegitimate daughter of the late Joseph P. Kennedy, Jr., brother of President Kennedy. He said Hamill has sought for some time to get a passport in the Kennedy name, and finally was successful at the American Consulate at Dublin, Ireland, in having her passport amended to read in that name. *deceased Miss* *29-2-1927*

Mr. O'Dowd informed Margaret and John Hamill, as well as Raye I. Rosensweig and Teresa Volpe, have recently been interviewed by Italian authorities, Rome, Italy, at which time Margaret Hamill's allegation of prior knowledge of President Kennedy's assassination, and purported contact with the FBI, was obtained. Mr. O'Dowd states further that information pertaining to Margaret Hamill's alleged relationship to President Kennedy was also obtained. *IN N.Y.* *B 10-23-1962 in Lithuania*

Mr. O'Dowd furnished copies of statements obtained from various persons who witnessed remarks made by Margaret Hamill. He also furnished a copy of a letter from Rome Police Headquarters to the American Embassy in Rome, dated October 3, 1964, which letter details the results of interviews conducted by Rome Police. In addition, a memorandum prepared by Everett L. Damron, Chief of Citizenship Section, American Embassy, Rome, dated September 24, 1964, was furnished by Mr. O'Dowd. This memorandum sets forth additional information regarding this matter. *B 1?*

The statements, memorandum, and letter are as follows:

MARGARET HAMILL

B approx 1736
"Rome, Italy
September 26, 1964 US

"My name is Myleen Merrill, age 28. I live at Via Michele Mercati 33. I can always be located through Captain H. S. Cofield, USM, USSSO American Embassy. I am an American and have lived in Italy for a year and a half. I am a professional singer.

"On the morning of September 1, 1964, I went to the lobby of the Hotel Quirinale in Rome to keep an appointment, pre-arranged earlier by telephone, with Miss Josephine Kennedy and the Contessa Volpe. The meeting had been established to discuss my possible engagement with The National Opera Company, which they claimed to be forming in Washington, D. C. I obtained this information from an article in the ROME DAILY AMERICAN a few days before.

"I was told by Miss Kennedy that she was the daughter of the deceased Joseph Kennedy, elder brother of the late President (to whom she referred as 'Uncle Jack'). She said she 'might as well tell the whole truth' of her story because within three months a book was being published 'exposing everything anyway'. She mentioned having had great difficulty over her passport, but said that her identity had finally been established and that 'Uncle Jack' had fully accepted her as his niece. They had been 'close'-- so 'close', in fact, that she had accompanied the party when he made his last European visit. She spoke glowingly of her own eye-view of his reception at Naples and in Dublin.

"She spoke for several minutes about John Kennedy's assassination and the investigations following and said that she personally had received 'over twenty telephone calls' the night before in Washington, D. C., threatening that John F. Kennedy was to be killed the following morning in Dallas. She said she had made repeated calls to the F.B.I. to no avail, and she said whoever had called her would 'have to have known how close' she was to her 'Uncle Jack'.

"According to Miss Kennedy, the late President had left her a sum of money which would be one of the many sources for financing the proposed new opera company.

MARGARET HAMILL

"She admitted to being 'the least known member of the Kennedy family', and said that two years ago John Kennedy had refused her permission for a projected plan to study singing in Europe because he did not want any publicity.

"She spoke of Mrs. Jacqueline Kennedy's hatred for her because of her close relationship with 'Uncle Jack'. She said she wanted the 'world to know' that Mrs. Kennedy is not the woman of culture and refinement the Kennedy family would have the public to believe, but only an image invented by clever and expensive press agents. (Her example: 'Jackie thought the "Mona Lisa" was a French painting!') And, said Miss Kennedy: 'Jackie made Jack's life a hell on earth', and she (Miss K.) wanted 'everyone to know the truth about it'.

"I have written the foregoing statement consisting of one and two-thirds pages and it is true and accurate to the best of my memory.

"/s/ Myleen Merrill"

"Italy)
Province of Rome)
City of Rome)
Embassy of the United States of America)

ss:

"Before me, Teresa Offie, Consul of the United States of America, in and for the District of Rome, Italy, duly commissioned and qualified, personally appeared Everett L. Damron, a Consul of the United States of America, who, being duly sworn, deposes and says as follows:

"My name is: Everett L. Damron
I was born at: Catlettsburg, Kentucky
on: May 6, 1917
I am residing at: 1231 Via Flaminia, Rome, Italy
My legal residence in the United States is: 5224 Hammond Drive, Toledo, Ohio.

"On Monday, September 21, 1964, Mrs. Margaret Hamill, bearer of Passport No. E-259390 issued at New York on May 13, 1964, stated in my presence, and in the presence of her husband,

MARGARET HAMILL

John Hamill Italy B3-4-16
"11/10"

John Patrick Hamill; Concetta Theresa Volpe, American citizen; Raye Rosensweig, American citizen; two Foreign Service Officers of the United States; and two officials of the Italian Police that she is the illegitimate daughter of Joseph Kennedy, Jr. and that she is the niece of the late President John F. Kennedy.

aka CARLTON J POWERS
aka: GIOVANNI MILLO
"/s/ Everett L. Damron

"Subscribed and sworn to before me this 24th day of September 1964

"/s/ Teresa Offie"

"Italy
Province of Rome
City of Rome
Embassy of the United States of America)
ss:

"Before me Everett L. Damron Consul of the United States of America, in and for the District of Rome, Italy, duly commissioned and qualified, personally appeared Nina Matchkaloff who, being duly sworn, deposes and says as follows:

"My name is: Nina Matchkaloff
I was born at: Washington, D. C.
on: Nov. 6, 1907
I am residing at: Viale Angelico 205, Int. 18, Rome, Italy
My legal residence in the United States is: ----

"On September 23, 1964, Mrs. Margaret Hamill stated to me before several Italian nationals that she is the illegitimate daughter of the late Joseph Kennedy, Jr.

"/s/ Nina Matchkaloff

"Subscribed and sworn to before me this 29th day of September 1964.

"/s/ Everett L. Damron
American Consul"

MARGARET HAMILL

"Republic of Italy
Province of Rome
City of Rome
Embassy of the United States of America)

SS:

"Before me, Everett L. Damron, Consul of the United States of America in and for the District of Rome, Italy, duly commissioned and qualified, personally appeared Teresa Offie, who being duly sworn, deposes and says as follows:

"That on September 21, 1964, when I was present at an interview at which the following were present: Mrs. Margaret Hamill, John Patrick Hamill, Concetta Theresa Volpe, Mrs. Raye Rosensweig, and two officials of the Italian police headquarters in Rome, Mrs. Hamill stated that she was the illegitimate child of Joseph Kennedy, Jr., and the niece of Jack Kennedy; that she has written letters to her grandfather, Joseph Kennedy, Sr., who is ill, and that she has received 'thank you' notes and candy from him, but nothing else. That she wrote a letter to Mrs. Rose Kennedy while the latter was in Switzerland which was returned because Mrs. Kennedy wanted nothing to do with her; that the late Jack Kennedy assisted her in finding employment and that she sent a telegram to Donna Laura Segni, wife of the President of the Republic of Italy, Antonio Segni, because knowing that the Kennedy has had a lot of trouble recently, what with the assassination of the President, the illness of her grandfather and the recent aircrash involving Ted, she felt the Kennedy family could not worry about sending condolences to President Segni; that she received a reply from Mrs. Signi. That Bobby Kennedy had no time for her; that as a child she remembers being held by the hands of her father, Joseph Kennedy and her mother in Barcelona, Spain; that she had a sworn statement of her deceased mother which showed that she was the daughter of Joseph Kennedy, Jr.; that she gave the document to persons who were assisting her in establishing her identity as the daughter of Joseph Kennedy, Jr., and has not seen the document since, and that she was born in Massachusetts.

"/s/ Teresa Offie *Texii*

"Subscribed and sworn to before me this 1st day of October, 1964.

"/s/ Everett L. Damron
American Consul"

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"To: Files "September 24, 1964
"From: Everett L. Damron, Chief Citizenship Section
"Subject: John HAMILL and wife, Margaret HAMILL (aka Josephine Patricia KENNEDY)

"On Sunday night, September 20, 1964, I received a call from Concetta Theresa VOLPE (Passport No. E256374 issued NY May 8, 1964) who stated that she and 'the niece of the late President' had been apprehended by the Italian Police that day. Miss Volpe (I found out later she had said to the police she was Contessa Volpe) said they had been taken to the Questura, they kept her waiting for about 3 hours without being told why they were detaining her and had told her she could go but withheld her passport. They had continued to hold Miss Kennedy, she said. She further said she and Miss Kennedy were to appear before the authorities at 9:00 next morning and she asked that something be done before then. She said they had no idea why this action was being taken against them.

"I called Mr. Hackett, Welfare Officer, and he said he would call Miss Volpe at the Albergo Quirinale after making some phone calls for background information.

"The Police called Mr. Whittinghill Monday morning and said 2 persons had made a denuncia against Miss Kennedy. The Police wanted to know who she was. Her passport had been issued in the name of Margaret HAMILL but it had been amended at Dublin to show her known as Josephine Patricia KENNEDY. (Her husband, John HAMILL, had had his passport amended at the same time at Dublin to show him also known as Carlton J. Powers).

"The Police (Dr. Notari, and another officer whose name I did not get) accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Hamill, Miss Volpe, and Mrs. Raye Rosensweig (Passport No. E259388, issued NY May 13, 1964) and the Hamill's 3 children to my office around 1:00 p.m. Mr. Whittinghill and Miss Offie were present. In summary, they told the following story (all talked freely, and often, at times interrupting each other or talking simultaneously while other members were talking):

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"At one time Mr. Hamill used the professional name Giovanni MILLO. He had a passport issued in that name. Mrs. Hamill also had a passport issued in that name, as well as their 3 children.

"Mrs. Hamill said she was the illegitimate daughter of Joseph Kennedy, Jr. who was killed during the war, and a woman from New England who was the daughter of Scandinavians. Her natural parents lived with her in Barcelona, Spain about 1936 or 1937 and she remembers taking walks with her parents when she was only a year or so old. Her mother died when she was very young.

"Mrs. Rosensweig took her in her care and she became her foster daughter. Mrs. Rosensweig had had a daughter born in 1924 who disappeared about 1940 (her whereabouts even to this day are unknown, both Mrs. Hamill and Mrs. Rosensweig said). Mrs. Rosensweig documented Mrs. Hamill with her own daughter's birth certificate, and that is the reason that Mrs. Hamill's passport shows she was born in Virginia in 1924, whereas she was actually born in Massachusetts about 1935. It so happens she appears to be much older than her actual age, according to Mrs. Hamill, but that is a thing of nature. (She does, in fact, appear to be much older.)

"Mrs. Hamill said she had never intended or expected that use of her real name, Kennedy, would 'open up any doors' to her and she did not in any way wish to bring discredit to that name or the well-known family of the late President. She had actually promised that family she would not publicize who she was. Still, she had decided she wanted to be known for who she really is, and it is only fair to her children. Nevertheless, she had kept it a secret through the years but it leaked to the press in some way and she couldn't keep it a secret any longer.

"Throughout the conference, Mrs. Hamill referred to many members of the Kennedy family by first name. She said 'Bobby' had no time for her but 'Ted, Jack, and Grandpa' knew who she was. She said 'when Grandpa gets better I am going to appeal to him.' Her grandmother, she said, had absolutely refused to see her. Out of context she said

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'Barry ^{US}Goldwater' knew her story and had been awfully nice to her.

"She said she had been warned by telephone, some weeks before President Kennedy's assassination, that he was going to be shot. She informed the FBI, she said. She said also she had been threatened on the phone by the same voice, and shortly thereafter while traveling on a train between New York and Washington someone shot at her, just missing her head, while the train was in motion. Again she informed the FBI. Then her husband was threatened by the same voice, and when he was in the hospital seriously ill from a heart operation, someone gained entry to his room and tied a rubber tube around his neck, he managed to remove the tube from his neck just in time.

"She and her husband organized the Cherry Blossom Opera Company (see our welfare file on this) and brought a number of young American women to Italy in 1959 to train them and put on operatic performances under that organization. The venture failed (I've been told that Dr. Stillone and Mr. Maurice Rosenblatt, both American citizens resident in Rome, were among the persons who helped finance it and lost their investments). One of the singers who had signed a contract with them, Mrs. Nina Matchkaloff, and their former maid who is an Italian national, denounced them to the Police because of their debts to these two persons. For that reason Miss Volpe and Mrs. Hamill were apprehended.

"Mrs. Hamill was told by the Police in my office that she would not be detained at the Questura any longer but it would be necessary to hold all of their passports for a few days. The Police made this statement after Mr. and Mrs. Hamill had asked whether they would be released if they paid their debts to the two people who had lodged complaint against them. During the conversation they said they owed their hotel a considerable amount but they were going to pay it. Mrs. Rosensweig said she was financing the group's stay in Italy and that the hotel bill is her responsibility.

"Mrs. Matchkaloff came to see me that afternoon. She explained that the opera venture in 1959 had ruined her financially, Hamill had not fulfilled the contract, and he had practically ruined her voice with his particular type of

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training. She did not want to bring action against them out of vengeance but she felt they should not continue to swindle innocent persons, and bring discredit abroad to the United States. She was appearing at 6:00 at the Questura, at the Questura's request.

"Next day Mrs. Matchkaloff informed me that the Hamills had promised to pay both her and their former maid within 3 months and she dropped charges against them. She said she doubted she would be paid (she had advanced her own money to Mr. Hamill for expenses which, by contract, he was to pay) but perhaps it would stop their fraudulent operations. She said Mrs. Hamill, at the meeting at the Questura, had asked to see her immediately after the meeting, and at that time informed her she wanted to reveal a long held secret, that she was the illegitimate daughter of Joseph Kennedy, Jr. Mrs. Matchkaloff said to me she doubted Mrs. Hamill's claim, for she had said she was the daughter of Italian parents, and sometime later claimed she was the daughter of a general.

"During the course of the conference, Mrs. Hamill stated that she, knowing that the Kennedy family were very much occupied with the recent unfortunate mishaps which had occurred a few years ago in the family, sent Mrs. Segni a telegram of sympathy during President Segni's serious illness. She said she signed the telegram Josephine Patricia Kennedy and received a reply from Mrs. Segni.

"At one point in the conversation, Mrs. Hamill stated she had lost sympathy with the Kennedy family in the United States after traveling to Ireland and seeing the impoverished circumstances of the Kennedy family there. She referred to several of the latter as 'cousin Mary' 'aunt Jane', etc., and she exhibited a number of color photographs of herself embracing a number of the Irish Kennedys."

"ROME POLICE HEADQUARTERS
Aliens Office

"Rome,
October 3, 1964

"To the Embassy of the
United States of America,
Consular Office
Rome

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"Subject: U.S. Nationals Margareth HAMILL, John HAMILL,
Raye I. ROSENSWEIG and Concetta Teresa VOLPE

"With reference to your kind letter dated September 28, concerning the persons named above, we wish to advise you that, acting on a report from the Magnanapoli Police Station, this Office has investigated the following U.S. nationals who, having lived some time at the Quirinale Hotel, had contracted debts in Rome and caused complaints by their creditors.

"The said U.S. nationals have been identified as:

- "-Margaret HAMILL, born in Virginia on 10.31.1924, holder of U.S. Passport No. Z 324287, issued in Rome on September 29, 1964 ;
- "-John HAMILL, born in Pennsylvania on 3.4.1916, holder of Passport No. Z 32486, issued in Rome on September 29, 1964 ;
- "-Raye I. ROSENSWEIG, born in Lithuania on 10.23.1900, holder of U.S. Passport No. E 259388, issued in Washington on 5.13.1964 ;
- "-Concetta Teresa VOLPE, born in New York on 9.2.1927, holder of U.S. Passport No. E 256374, issued in Washington on 5.8.1964;

"With the said persons are also staying at the Quirinale Hotel also the minors Richard Alexander HAMILL, born in Italy on 9.13.1955, holder of U.S. Passport No. E 259391, issued in Washington on 5.13.1964 ; April E. and Grace P., whose names appear on their brother's passport, all three being the children of the Hamills.

"In the course of the initial investigations, however, it was found that Mrs. Hamill was known, and used to introduce herself, with the name of 'Josephine KENNEDY', as she alleged that she is the natural daughter of the elder brother (who died in the war) of the late President of the United States of America. To support ther claim, she produced a photostat of Page 5 of a passport whereon the U.S. Embassy in Dublin had written 'The bearer is also known as Josephine Patricia Kennedy'.

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"This circumstance, as you are aware, has resulted in (our) verbal request for your Embassy's kind interest.

"When subsequently checking Mrs. Hamill's passport, we did find on page 5 the said inscription, which had been affixed on an unspecified date.

"It was also found that on page 5 of Mr. Hamill's passport the said U.S. Embassy (in Dublin) had affixed, on an unspecified date, the inscription 'the bearer is also known as Carlton J. POWERS'.

"Upon their being questioned as to the reasons for their stay in Italy and for the inscriptions, the Hamills stated that they have come to this Country for artistic reasons, as Mr. Hamill wishes to perform in operatic productions and Mrs. Hamill to study singing.

"Mrs. Hamill claimed that, to this end, she has already had several auditions with the managers of the San Carlo Theater in Naples, of Rome's Opera and of Milan's La Scala.

"Mrs. Rosensweig claimed she is Mrs. Hamill's adoptive mother ; Miss Volpe identified herself as the 'manager'.

"As regards the inscriptions (on the passports), the Hamills have made the following statements :

"a) Mrs. Hamill (stated) that :

"-her true name is Josephine Patricia KENNEDY, daughter of the late Joseph and of the late Ann Jean O'Neil, born at Hull, Mass. on July 25, 1935 ; resident at 3867 Sunny Dunes Road, Palm Springs, Cal. ; her birth and names do not appear to be registered with the competent offices at Hull ;

"-her parents were not married ; she did not know her mother ' she is the daughter of Joseph Patrick Kennedy, Naval Air officer, who died in England in 1944 during World War II, brother of the late President of the U.S. and son of the former U.S. Ambassador to the United Kingdom ;

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"-since the age of seven she lived in the home of her 'paternal grandfather', where her father often visited her ;

"-in 1942 she had been placed in the custody of Mrs. Raye LEWIS-ROSENSWEIG, residing in Los Angeles ;

"-on 5.5. 1947 she married a John FOSTINI, assuming on that occasion the name of Lydia LEWIS, born in Norfolk, Va. on 10.31.1924, lost (sic) daughter of Mrs. Rosensweig ;

"-she took that name on the advice of Mrs. Rosensweig and of her 'paternal grandfather' who, she alleges, did not wish her true identity to be revealed, because during the previous year her paternal uncle, the late President of the U.S., had been elected Representative of Massachussets to the U.S. Congress ;

"-in 1948 she moved with her husband (Fostini) to New York, where she stayed till December of that year ;

"-after two short trips to Europe (in 1949 and 1951), in 1952 she returned to the U.S.A., settled in New York and casually met her paternal uncle, the late President Kennedy, whom she saw four or five times, without, however, knowing that he was her father's brother ;

"-at an unspecified time a friend of hers, Joan Walker, in looking at a picture of her father hanging in her bedroom, pointed out to her his marked resemblance to John Fitzgerald Kennedy, but she had no more opportunities to meet with her paternal uncle, nor could she get in touch with him ;

"-it was then her intention to ask Mr. Kennedy for documents and pictures concerning her origin, which he had in his possession through having received them from an associate of his, to whom she had previously delivered them ;

"-she did not insist, however, in her request for an interview with Mr. Kennedy because, a few nights

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later, on returning home, she was accosted by two men who, having taken her father's pictures away from her, slapped her and ordered her to quit claiming her name to be Josephine Patricia Kennedy ;

"-in 1952 she met a Cesare GIROSI and, on his advice, to evade a possible search by the Kennedy family, she began using the stage name of 'Margherita GiroSI', under which she frequented artist's circles ;

"-on 3.15.1954, having obtained a divorce from her first husband (Fostini), she married in Arlington, Va., Mr. John Patrick Hamill ;

"-Their marriage, however, was registered at the office of the Justice of the Peace under their respective stage names of Margherita GiroSI and Giovanni MILLO ;

"-In 1954, bearing U.S. passports, made out respectively to Lydia Hamill Lewis and John Patrick Hamill, she and her husband visited Italy where, her first son, Richard Alexander, was born in Rome in 1955 ;

"-In November 1955 she returned to the U.S., taking residence in New York where, on 4.14.1958 and 7.6.1959, her two other children were born, April Elisabeth and Grace Patricia ;

"-Subsequently, when renewing the passports, she succeeded in having the new documents made out respectively to Margherita MILLO, nee' GiroSI, born at Norfolk on 10.31.1924, Giovanni Millo and Richard Alexander, April Elisabeth and Grace Patricia Millo (single passport) ;

"-Finally, on 5.13.1964 she and her husband obtained in New York new passports made out to Margareth HAMILL, born in Virginia on 10.31.1924, John Hamill, born in Pennsylvania on 3.4.1916, and Richard Alexander, April Elisabeth and Grace Patricia Hamill (single passport), bearing respectively Nos. E 259390, E 259389 and E 259391 ;

"-On the next day, she, her husband and her children departed for London, and from then traveled to Dublin ;

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"-On the 22nd of the same month the U.S. Embassy in Dublin, on the request of Mrs. Hamill herself, and on evidence given by Mrs. Raye Rosensweig and Miss Conottina Teresa Volpe, affixed on the passport the inscription referred to above ;

"-The affixing of the said inscription, instead, had been refused in Washington, in New York, in California and by the U.S. Embassy in London, but she had insisted on getting it because in 1961, on the occasion of a meeting with the late President Kennedy, he had stated that, if her name was really Josephine Patricia Kennedy, she could have freely used that name ;

"-so far she has not succeeded in having affixed on her passport the birth date of July 25, 1935, since, as indicated above, her birth was not registered in the Hull Population Register, and she possesses no evidence in that respect ;

"-she intends to establish proceedings for the recognition of the alleged paternity before the competent U.S. authorities, and to this end she has already retained the Melvin (sic) M. Belli, Ashe and Gerry legal firm of San Francisco, 722 Montgomery Street and Los Angeles, 6505 Wilshire Boulevard, Suite 316. (a.b.)

"b) Mr. Hamill (states) that :

"-his real name is John HAMILL, son of the later Patrick and Mary Burnesfather Postgate Millo, born at Johnstown, Pa. on 3.4.1916, resident at 3867 Sunny Dunes Road, Palm Spring, Cal. ;

"-he caused the inscription (Carlton J. Powers) to be affixed on page 5 of his passport because, under the U.S. law, this is perfectly legal ;

"-he met his wife (he referred to her as Margherita Girosi) in November 1953 ;

"-she told him that her real name was Josephine Kennedy ; she indicated that the Kennedy family of which she was a member was that of Joseph Kennedy Sr. 'a person of