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FROM : J. S. Peelman

SUBJECT: ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT
JOHN F. KENNEDY
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PURPOSE: To provide a resume of investigative and research results obtained pertinent to Internal Revenue Service (IRS) information furnished re captioned matter as known to the Bureau by close of business 2/2/77.

SYNOPSIS: Investigation and research has been conducted to resolve the following allegations:

- 1. That a November, 1963, letter was written by Lee Harvey Oswald to a Mr. Hunt.
- 2. That the original of such a letter was furnished to the FBI.
- 3. That a Jim Braden or Eugene Braden and Jack Ruby were in Nelson Bunker Hunt's office on 11/21/63, and signed a "sign out book" there.

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- 4. That Jim Braden, aka, was involved in a_kill_squad organized by Nelson Bunker Hunt.

Thus far, investigation and research have failed to 1977 corroborate the specifics of these allegations, but have developed information concerning possessors of copies of the alleged Oswald letter and peripheral information relating to the persons and time frames involved in the allegations.

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RECOMMENDATION: None. For information. Investigation continuing.

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DETAILS: By letter dated 12/30/76, IRS, Washington, transmitted to a 12/9/76, IRS, Dallas, memorandum of enclosing a copy of a letter dated 11/8/63, allegedly written by Lee Harvey Oswald to a Mr. Hunt stating "I would by like information concerning my position. I am asking only for information and suggesting that we discuss the matter fully before any steps are taken by me or anyone else." Stated that he had been informed that the original of this letter was in the FBI's possession.

In his 12/9/76, memorandum contended that he received a copy of this letter on 12/9/76, and that during a 1971 IRS inquiry he received information that Nelson Bunker Hunt had organized a kill squad and that Jack Rüby and a Eugene Braden had been in Hunt's office and signed-a "sign out book" there on 11/21/63.

By memorandum dated 1/6/77, Special Assistant to the Attorney General, Jack W. Fuller, furnished the IRS information to the Bureau.

Upon receipt of this information in the Congressional Inquiry Unit (CIU), General Investigative Division (GID), an immediate search of files was instituted. This search determined that a Jim Braden, aka Eugene Braden, was present in Dallas on 11/22/63, in the vicinity of the Texas School Book Depository Building, was interviewed by the Dallas Sheriff's Office on 11/22/63, and by Bureau Agents at Los Angeles, California, on 1/28/64. Information was also located that while in Dallas (11/63) Braden contacted United States Parole Officer Roger Carroll and indicated that he might or would contact H. L. Hunt. In addition, Braden was found to have a three page, identification record under FBI Number 799 431, was convicted of Interstate Transportation of Stolen Property and

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Mail Fraud violations in 1952, was involved with criminal elements and was known to them as a con man. The search failed to corroborate the specific information received from IRS and no original or copy of the purported Oswald letter was located in Dallas or Bufiles.

On 1/11/77, information from IRS was furnished to our Dallas office in order that a thorough search of its files could be conducted. The Dallas search located information re Eugene Braden but no information that corroborated the IRS information.

Bureau letter and memorandum 1/14/77, advised the Assistant Attorney General (AAG), Office of Legislative Affairs (OLA) of the file searches and that investigation was being conducted in an effort to resolve the Bes allegations. Between 1/12-14/77, contact was effected with the former Dallas case Agent in the John F. Kennedy (JFK) assassination, Robert P. Gemberling and former FBI document examiner, James Cadigan. Neither one recalled any information pertaining to a letter allegedly written by Oswald to a member of the Hunt family. Both insisted that the significance of such a letter, had it been brought to their attention, would have been immediately recognized and not forgotten.

An FOIA request made by Braden during 1976 disclosed an address of 3224 Peach Tree Road, Northeast, Atlanta, Georgia, which Atlanta Division has determined to be a mail drop or convenience address and the exact whereabouts of Braden at this time is unknown.

On 1/19/77, Dallas interviewed who would not furnish specific information and alleged that disclosure might be prohibited by the Tax Reform Act of 1976 (Section 6103 (I)).

On 1/21/77, Senator Gary Hart, Senate Select Committee on Intelligence (SSC) initiated Committee Request Number 6250 asking for prompt access to FBI material on Nelson Bunker Hunt and Jim Braden. Committee staff members were granted access to material immediately available on 1/21/77, and were advised on 1/26/77, that additional material was available and had been prepared for access. This was confirmed by letter.

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Prior to and following receipt of the results of the interview on 1/19/77, the Office of Congressional Affairs (OCA), Legal Counsel Division, successfully 57C initiated efforts (1) through the Deputy Assistant Attorney General (DAAG) Callaghan, OLA, to convince SSC that there was no need for independent inquiry by SSC into this matter as the FBI was already conducting active, expeditious investigation and would furnish results to the Committee in a timely fashion and (2) through DAAG Keuch, Criminal Division, to resolve any disclosure problems raised by IRS under the Tax Reform Act of 1976.

At 5:00 p.m. on 1/26/77, DAAG Callaghan advised OCA that IRS would instruct to supply all pertinent, non tax information in this matter-to the FBI and that IRS would gather pertinent recorded information from its files to be available to the FBI.

In response to Bureau instructions, Dallas SAs and interviewed on 1/27/77, after received written confirmation of IRS Headquarters instructions. It is stated he received a copy of the alleged Oswald letter from a stated he received a copy of the advise he received it from Earl Golz, "Dallas Morning News" reporter, who got it from a FNU Hernandez, Midlothian, Texas, who claimed to have sent a copy of the Oswald letter to the FBI in late 1974 and who claimed to have received the letter from a person in Mexico.

stated the sources of his information during the 197/ inquiry were another source which he declined to identify since that source may still be close to the Hunt family. Following termination of the interview recontacted the Dallas office and stated had furnished copies of the Oswald letter, a transmittal letter in Spanish and the envelope. that the adressee's name appeared on the letter and envelope furnished these documents but had been blocked out. to FBI, Dallas, which submitted them to the FBI Laboratory for examination. The Spanish language transmittal letter is dated 8/18/75, and bears the initials "P.S." (apparent sender) and the address: "Insurgentes, Sur No. 30, Mexico, D. F., (It is to be noted that the sender ("P.S.") indicates that he, not a "Hernandez" sent "a letter from Lee Oswald" to the FBI "at the end of last year" (1974)).

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speculated that received these documents from Golz. Additionally, stated he had received his 1971 records in this matter from the Federal Records Center and was reviewing same, but would require specific authority from IRS Headquarters for release of any non tax information.

A search of Bufiles disclosed information 🙉

on 10/6/75, alleging that and former may have furnished documents to Golz during 1972 which came into possession while in (Bufile 62-109060-7376). Following receipt of this allegation was interviewed by a Bureau. Agent on 10/30/75, and furnished details concerning an 11/4/63, memorandum he had written concerning possible violence during the 11/22/63, JFK visit to Dallas. stated his intention in writing the memorandum was. to preclude Hunt family involvement in anti-Kennedy activities Bufiles show that both and were carried as victims in Bufile 139-3573 with Nelson Bunker Hunt and W. Herbert Hunt, et al, as subjects in an investigation initiated in 1970. On 1/28/77, Dallas was telephonically instructed to interview concerning his possession of documents which he may have furnished to Golz.

In Bufile 62-109060-7376, dated 10/6/75, the informant also advised that Golz was of the opinion, but never proved, that H. L. Hunt financed assassins including one Eugene Brady or Bradley who is alleged to have visited Hunt a few days before the JFK assassination.

Information pertaining to the 11/21/63, presence of Jack Ruby in the Mercantile Bank Building in Dallas, which also houses the office of Hunt Enterprises, has been located in Bureau files and was furnished to the Warren Commission where it appears as Warren Commission Exhibit Number 2, Volume XX, Page 41. It was ascertained that Ruby transported Connie Trammel, an acquaintance, to the Mercantile Bank Building where she had an appointment to see Lamar Hunt about a job. On interview, Ruby stated he had business with his attorney on that date in the same building.

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By communication dated 2/2/77, the FBI Laboratory advised Dallas Division that the blocked out portions of the aforementioned transmittal letter to Midlothian, Texas, read "Penn Jones, Jr. Editor Midlothian Mirror."

Bufiles disclose that Fenn Jones was the subject of Bufile 100-395874 wherein rumors accused him of and he was also a victim in Dallas file 157-187 captioned "Unsub; Incendiary Device Thrown Into 'Midlothian Mirror,' " Midlothian, Texas, 4/30/62. In the book "The Scavengers and Critics of the Warren Report" by Richard Warren lewis, Penn Jones is described as reportedly convinced that the JFK assassination involved 18 persons who are now dead and two riflemen firing simultaneously at JFK. Jones has also authorled "Forgive my Grief" and lectured "on-his assassination theories.

Dallas will submit results of interviews of Golz and Jones.



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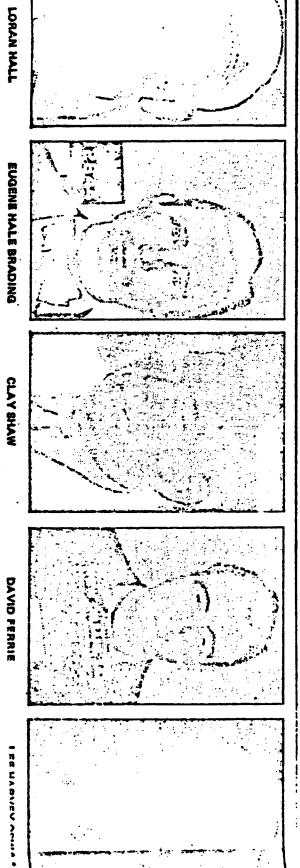
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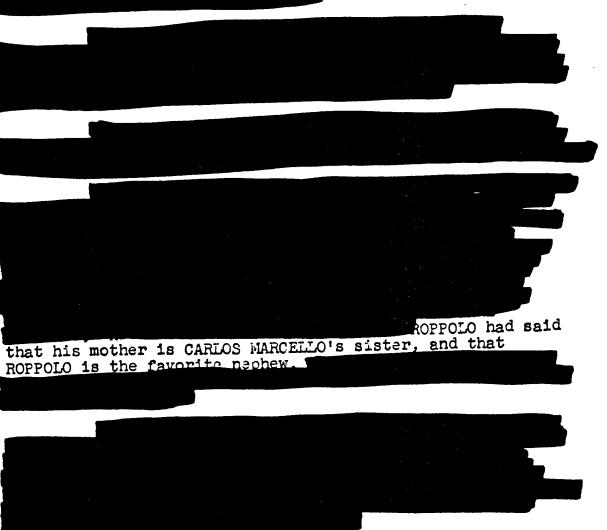
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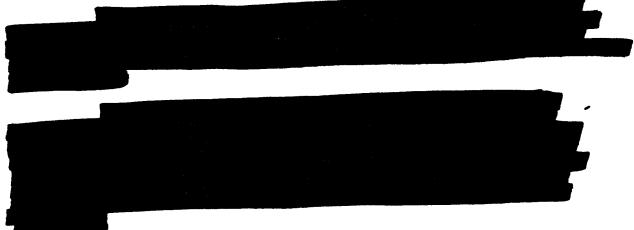




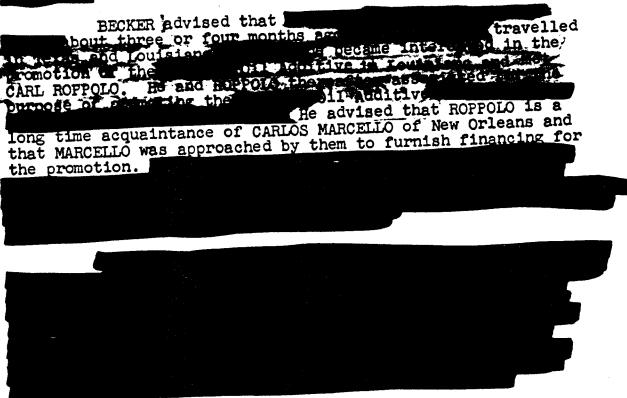
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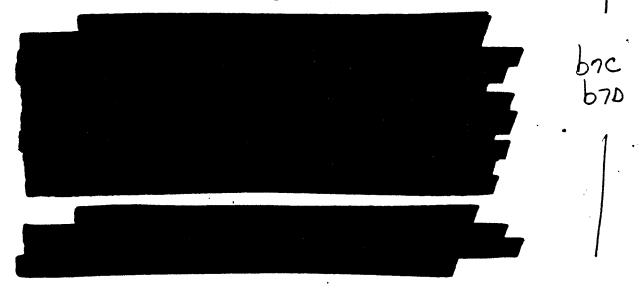
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"Sworn to and subscribed before me on July 6, 1973 & Waco, Texas.

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TO

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SAC, SAN ANTONIO (46-New) (RUC)

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UNSUBS; Officers of the Collins Radio Corporation, Dallas, Texas

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Enclosed for Dallas are nine (9) copies of an FD-302 reflecting interview of

Enclosed for Oklahoma City are four (4) copies of above described FD-302.

For the information of Dallas and Oklahoma City,

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roluntarily appeared at the Waco, Texas FBI Office and lodged a complaint concerning a federal contract had between the Collins Radio Corporation in Dallas, Texas and the United States Air Force. To the best of recollection the contract was initially signed in 1966 and involved the design, manufacturing and installation of a communication network for the United States Air Force to be used in eight Air Force installations. The Tinker Air Force Base was to be used as the supply base to handle the spare parts for the installation and maintenance of the system. The enclosed FD-302 is self explanatory regarding the complaint.

This information is being furnished both to Dallas and Oklahoma City Divisions for whatever action is deemed appropriate.

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Officers of the Collins Radio Corporation

Dallas, Texas

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Re San Antonio letter to Dallas 7/10/73.

A perusal of referenced letter and enclosure discloses complainant alleges that subject company withheld pertinent information at a provisioning conference with the Air Force, at which time the Air Force ordered spare parts necessary to maintain an Air Force base communication network system. Reportedly, subject company knew at the time of the conference that parts changes and modifications were necessary from the original parts list but did not make this fact known, which resulted in the Air Force ordering obsolete parts from the original parts list. It is necessary to know when and where the pertinent conference was held in order to establish venue and to determine if the State of Limitations has tolled. It would appear the Statute of Limitations may have run

On July 16, 1973, the above situtation was discussed with Supervisor San Antonio Office, at which time requested the desired information be dictated to his secretary and that he, would reopen this matter in the San Antonio Office requiring the additional necessary investigation. The memorandum was dictated and requested investigation is being conducted at Waco.

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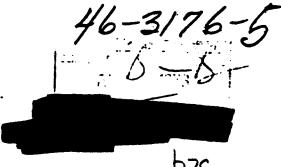
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Referenced communication together with the FD 302 setting forth the signed sworn statement by on 7/6/73, at Waco, Texas, has been carefully reviewed. This material indicates that fany violation existed primary venue would be in Dallas; however, the statement further indicates if a violation did exist, the statute of Limitations may have already run.

In view of the foregoing, this matter is not being discussed with the U.S. Attorney, WDO, Oklahoma City, and no further action is being taken by Oklahoma City .

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UMSUBS; OFFICERS OF THE COLLINS RADIO CORPORATION DALLAS, TEXAS FAG

Enclosed are four copies of LHM re captioned matter. One copy has been furnished for the USA, Fort Worth, Northern District of Texas.

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200 Morcantile Continental Building Dallas, Texas 75201 August 23, 1973

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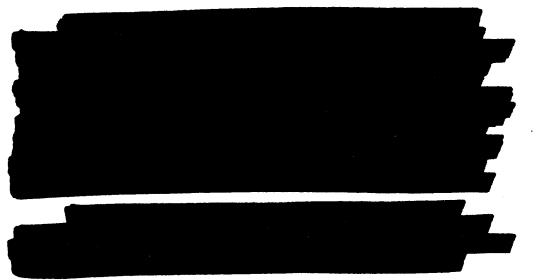
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