

# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE <b>ALBUQUERQUE</b>	OFFICE OF ORIGIN <b>DALLAS</b>	DATE <b>12/2/63</b>	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD <b>11/22/63 12/2/63</b>
TITLE OF CASE  <b>ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY</b>		REPORT MADE BY <b>SA STUART J. CAMERON</b>	TYPED BY <b>gcp</b>
		CHARACTER OF CASE  <b>ASSAULTING A FEDERAL OFFICER</b>	

### REFERENCES

Bureau teletypes to all SACs dated 11/22/63 (2);  
 11/23/63; 11/25/63 (2); 11/26/63; 11/29/63; 11/30/63;  
 12/1/63 (Last two teletypes captioned LEE HARVEY  
 OSWALD, IS - R);  
 Report of SA STUART J. CAMERON dated 12/1/63 at  
 Albuquerque entitled LEE HARVEY OSWALD, aka, IS - R;  
 Report of SA RAYMOND J. FOX dated 12/1/63 at Denver  
 entitled LEE HARVEY OSWALD, aka, IS - R.

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### ADMINISTRATIVE DATA

All investigation in this matter conducted by the  
 Albuquerque Division has been included in this report with the  
 exception of information directly concerning LEE HARVEY OSWALD,  
 which was included in report of SA STUART J. CAMERON dated 12/1/63  
 at Albuquerque, bearing the OSWALD caption.

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 1 cc Union Comm 12/1/63; PWT*

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INFORMANTS

The following criminal informants were immediately contacted on the dates indicated and they advised they had no information concerning the assassination of President KENNEDY except what they had received from regular news media:

[redacted] contacted 11/22/63, by SA FRANK W. HAINES  
 [redacted] contacted 11/22/63, by SA FRANK W. HAINES  
 PCI [redacted] contacted 11/23/63, by SA FRANK W. HAINES  
 PCI [redacted] contacted 11/23/63, by SA FRANK W. HAINES

In response to instructions set forth in Bureau teletype to all SACs dated 11/25/63 under caption, JACK LEON RUBY, aka; LEE HARVEY OSWALD, aka - VICTIM - DECEASED; CIVIL RIGHTS; the following criminal informants affiliated with or familiar with gambling matters, Albuquerque Division, were contacted on 11/25/63 with negative results:

[redacted] Albuquerque, New Mexico, by SA J. JEROME MAXWELL  
 [redacted] Albuquerque, New Mexico, by SA J. JEROME MAXWELL  
 PCI [redacted] Albuquerque, New Mexico, by SA  
 [redacted] J. JEROME MAXWELL  
 [redacted] Albuquerque, New Mexico, by SA CARY CARLTON  
 [redacted] Albuquerque, New Mexico, by SA STUART J. CAMERON  
 [redacted] Albuquerque, New Mexico, by SA STUART J. CAMERON  
 PCI [redacted] Roswell, New Mexico, by SA WILLIAM  
 [redacted] L. EDDY  
 PCI [redacted] Roswell, New Mexico, by SA WILLIAM  
 [redacted] L. EDDY  
 [redacted] Grants, New Mexico, by SA CALVIN D. KNOTT  
 PCI [redacted] Clovis, New Mexico, by SA FRANK W. HAINES  
 PCI [redacted] Clovis, New Mexico, by SA FRANK W. HAINES

On November 25, 1963 [redacted] advised SA W. J. WILKINSON, JR., Farmington, New Mexico, that she once met JACK RUBY in an unknown hotel in Dallas, Texas, many years ago. The informant was unable to recall the hotel or other people during this contact. Informant has never met victim.

On 11/25/63, [redacted] advised SA STUART J. CAMERON at Albuquerque, New Mexico, that approximately eleven months ago he met JACK RUBY at the Carousel Club in Dallas, Texas. Informant met RUBY through JACK HARDEE, JR., and when the informant mentioned that he was from Albuquerque, RUBY advised that LOU LEBBY at Albuquerque was a good friend. The informant learned through HARDEE that RUBY came to Dallas, Texas, from Chicago and that a "Jewish boy" had the particular section of town where the Carousel is now located "all sewed up." Informant states RUBY had a difficult time breaking into the area, but that he is now quite well off along with the "Jewish boy," who also has a joint located one block from the Carousel in an upstairs location.

HARDEE mentioned to [redacted] that RUBY had a "good in" with the Dallas Police Department. The informant states this would be borne out from his observation by the fact that RUBY had a B-girl operation where drinks were pushed heavily and they had no interference from the Police Department. The informant knew of no specific connections with the Police Department and only personally engaged RUBY in conversation for five to ten minutes. Informant stated he is not aware of any Chicago underworld connections of RUBY or any subversive or extremist connections. He did not know of any relationship between the subject and the Fair Play for Cuba Committee or any association between OSWALD and RUBY.

It is noted that JACK HARDEE, JR., aka is presently a fugitive and the subject of a UFAP - FORGERY investigation of which the Savannah Division is Office of Origin (Bufile: 88-21156).

On 11/25/63, [redacted], Albuquerque, New Mexico, who requested his name be maintained in complete confidence, admitted formerly being a bookmaker in Chicago over fifteen years ago. He advised Special Agent STUART J. CAMERON he is acquainted with JACK RUBY, known to him as SPARKY RUBENSTEIN, who lived in the same general area in Chicago. He did not become too well acquainted with SPARKY until they grew up and [redacted] knew RUBY's father as the "neighborhood drunk."

[redacted] described SPARKY as somewhat emotionally unstable. [redacted] stated SPARKY made his living primarily from "scalping" tickets to sports events in the Chicago area and at one time traveled throughout the country selling punch boards which [redacted] stated was prior to the Senator KEFAUVER investigations. [redacted] described the subject as [redacted] extremely stubborn person and a publicity hound; therefore, [redacted] did not think it unusual when newspapers reported that RUBY was more upset over the death of the President than the death of his own father. He stated that he was surprised when SPARKY killed OSWALD, advising that he would think it more proper that RUBY would shoot him in the leg with a .22 in order to get publicity.

[redacted] did not see SPARKY for more than twenty years until [redacted] visited Dallas, Texas, about one and a half years ago. He looked up SPARKY, whose Carousel Club is across the street from the Adolphus Hotel, and they talked briefly of old times.

[redacted] knew of no specific connections SPARKY may have had with the Dallas Police Department, but stated that many policemen knew him and he was well liked. [redacted] was not aware of any underworld connections which RUBY may have had and knew of no particular reason for RUBY's leaving Chicago. [redacted] states SPARKY, to his knowledge, had no extremist or subversive views whatsoever and had no contact with organized criminal or hoodlum element. [redacted] further advised that he was not personally acquainted with OSWALD and knew of no connection of OSWALD and RUBY, or any connection which RUBY may have had with the Fair Play for Cuba Committee.

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Concerning RAY PUGH, 1571 Bridge St. SW, Albuquerque, New Mexico, as mentioned in the details of this report, a review of the indices of the Albuquerque Division shows that ROBERT RAY PUGH, aka Ray Pugh, same address, was the victim in a case entitled "JOE MARTINO, aka Joe Sanchez; LUCILLE PUGH; FELIX L. PUGH- VICTIM; ROBERT RAY PUGH - VICTIM, EXTORTION."

The report of SA ROY I. MISCHKE dated December 18, 1950, at Albuquerque shows that the victims received a non-specific note left by subject MARTINO on their property at 1571 Bridge St. on July 20, 1950, which the victim interpreted along with an oral statement of MARTINO to be a demand for \$10,000 made under the threat of informing on violations of income tax laws. Investigation revealed that subject MARTINO actually made a report to the Bureau of Internal Revenue at Albuquerque on July 20, 1950, and that the Bureau of Internal Revenue attempted to collect about \$16,000 from the victims. United States Attorney at Albuquerque declined prosecution of subjects on the extortion matter under Section 873, Title 18, U. S. Code on December 12, 1950, in that there was no direct demand made to the victims under threat or force in violation of Federal law and no evidence of intention on the part of either subjects to withhold information for payment of money.

The Albuquerque indices also reflect that ROBERT RAY PUGH was the original complainant in the case entitled "RICHARD C. BRUCE, IMPERSONATION" in which PUGH claimed that his parents, Mr. and Mrs. FELIX L. PUGH, 1571 Bridge Street, Albuquerque, had been visited by BRUCE who informed them with shouts and gestures that he was the FBI and that their fine would be \$19,700 in taxes. This allegedly occurred on August 3, 1950, but was not reported to the FBI until August 24, 1951. Investigation reflected that RICHARD C. BRUCE was actually employed as a Deputy Collector, U. S. Bureau of Internal Revenue, Albuquerque, New Mexico. It is noted that BRUCE had appeared at the FBI Office, Albuquerque, New Mexico on November 14, 1950, and advised that the PUGHS had actually accused him of such misrepresentation but that the accusation was false and he had carefully explained his true position and displayed proper credentials. BRUCE stated that he feels sure that FELIX PUGH and ROBERT RAY PUGH were merely using this allegation in an attempt to discredit the Bureau of Internal Revenue.

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The matter concerning BRUCE was discussed with United States Attorney, Albuquerque, December 28, 1951, who declined prosecution of BRUCE inasmuch as investigation did not reveal any substantiation of the original allegation made by the individuals under investigation for violation of income tax statutes and therefore there was no justification for prosecution of BRUCE.

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MISCELLANEOUS - THREATS AGAINST PRESIDENT  
KENNEDY, M. C. ROBERTS - SUSPECT

On November 23, 1963, [REDACTED] N.M., who requested her identity be concealed, advised SA FRANK W. HAINES that M. C. ROBERTS resides in one of her apartments. She advised that she was watching a television program on November 22, 1963, when the announcement came across the television that PRESIDENT KENNEDY had been assassinated. She stated she believed she was watching the program "As the World Turns." [REDACTED] advised that shortly after the announcement of the President's assassination, M. C. ROBERTS came to the Zia Lodge. She stated that this was merely a few minutes after the announcement. [REDACTED] advised that ROBERTS stated that he was "thrilled" over the President's death and that he "hated his guts." She also recalls him saying that he was never so glad to see anyone dead in his whole life. [REDACTED] advised that ROBERTS was a lunatic when it comes to politics and described him as "nutty as a fruit cake." [REDACTED] advised that ROBERTS never mentioned anything as to who could have assassinated the President, nor made any other comments which would indicate he knew anything concerning the President's assassination. [REDACTED] advised that her husband, [REDACTED] was present when ROBERTS made these statements. [REDACTED] advised that she will be glad when ROBERTS moves out of her apartment. She stated he was building a penthouse behind the Cashway Grocery Store, and that he was very wealthy. She stated that he was connected with the Juanita Hancock Real Estate Agency, and noted that ROBERTS takes a nap every afternoon after lunch. [REDACTED] also advised that the apartments in the back where ROBERTS resides have been branded with various type brands. She stated that on his door was a rocking chair. [REDACTED]

On December 12, 1962, [REDACTED] advised that a meeting of the Freeman, also known as The Council of Statehood was held on December 11, 1962, in Boynton Beach, Florida.

Approximately 30 people were present. He stated that the general purpose of this organization was to eliminate, by force if necessary, all Jewish people who hold high positions in business and government, as well as to eliminate all Jews who are communists. At a later date, this source furnished a mailing list of this organization which he had obtained on January 24, 1963, from RAY MC CABE, West Palm Beach, Florida. The name Mr. M. C. ROBERT, Box 445, Clovis, New Mexico, appeared on this list.

The above information was taken from the report of SA ROBERT W. WISEMAN dated February 8, 1963, at Miami, Florida, captioned, "Council of Statehood, aka., Freemen, RACIAL MATTERS."

Additional information concerning M. C. ROBERTS is set out in the details of this report.

MISCELLANEOUS - THREATS AGAINST PRESIDENT  
KENNEDY, ROBERT E. WILLETT - SUSPECT

The ROBERT E. WILLETT mentioned in the details of this report may be identical with ROBERT ERIC WILLETT who was the subject of file captioned, "ROBERT ERIC WILLETT, JAMES WILSON, aka. - FUGITIVE, ITSP; OO: Springfield, Bufile 87-58861." The final outcome of the investigation in that case is not known to the Albuquerque Office. The results of the investigation in Albuquerque concerning WILLETT was furnished to the Dallas Office by teletype dated November 23, 1963. The setting out of any leads concerning WILLETT was left to the discretion of the Dallas Office as that office was in possession of complete information to determine whether such leads were necessary.

MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING  
JACK L. RUBY

In addition to the information set out in the details of this report, Mrs. PHYLLIS SNOW, 227 Artist Road, Santa Fe, N.M., advised SA WIRT R. JONES that although she had never been in Dallas, Texas, she knows that a secretary who was employed in the Dallas Office of the FBI has been engaged in stealing information from the files of that office. This secretary



recently discontinued her employment. She stated that she was not able to describe this female employee, except to say that she is female. She stated that it had been revealed to her by the "supernatural power" that this secretary intentionally omitted some information from a letter dictated to the Secret Service Office in Dallas recently. Mrs. SNOW stated that she was instructed by this same "supernatural power" to send a telegram to the FBI Office in Dallas covering the information that she furnished SA JONES. She called the message to the Western Union Office in Albuquerque from a pay telephone in Albuquerque, but she hung up before paying for the message.

It will be noted that Mrs. SNOW stated that she had absolutely no information concerning this matter, except that which she had received from a "supernatural power" in the nature of a vision.

On December 2, 1963, [REDACTED] Western Union Telegraph Company, Albuquerque, New Mexico, advised SA J. JEROME MAXWELL confidentially that a telegram similar to that described by Mrs. SNOW had been called into the Western Union office in Albuquerque at about 7:26 PM, on November 25, 1963. [REDACTED] stated that the regulations of his company prevented his furnishing a copy of this telegram except on a court order or upon receipt of a letter from the sender. He stated that the telegram was not actually sent as it had not been paid for. A check by his office reflected that the telegram had been called in from pay telephone #344-0068, which is located near Griegos and Fourth Streets, NW, Albuquerque, New Mexico, by a woman giving her name as CARROLL REESE. [REDACTED] stated that this telegram was to go to the Dallas Police Department and not to the FBI in Dallas. He stated that the substance of the telegram which was not actually sent was to the effect that a check should be made of the associates and companions of JACK RUBENSTEIN prior to his moving to Dallas, as he was a member of subversive organizations in Chicago, Illinois and Gary, Indiana. He was described as a cog of a plot of international magnitude. The telegram concluded by stating that the local office of the FBI should re-examine all personnel carefully, particularly the

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secretarial and janitorial staff, including those who have been hired and who have left within a year. The telegram ended by stating, "A traitor is among these." [redacted] stated that he considered the person who had called in this telegram to be a crackpot, therefore, he had taken no action except to file the copy of the proposed telegram.

LEADS

THE DALLAS DIVISION

AT DALLAS, TEXAS:

Will advise the Albuquerque Division whether it is desired that ROBERT E. WILLETT be located and interviewed at Albuquerque, and if so, nature of interview desired.

THE SAVANNAH DIVISION

AT SAVANNAH, GEORGIA:

Will, upon the apprehension of JACK HARDEE, Jr., UFAP - Forgery (Savannah file 88-3486), interview him concerning his knowledge of JACK LEON RUBY in accordance with instructions set forth in Bureau teletype to All Offices dated 11/25/63, at 11:22 a.m.

THE ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION

AT ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO:

Will conduct expeditious and immediate investigation and immediately report any information coming to the attention of the Albuquerque Division relating to subject matter.

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## Copy to:

Report of: SA STUART J. CAMERON  
Date: 12/2/63

Office: ALBUQUERQUE

File Number: AQ 89-27

Title: ASSASSINATION OF JOHN F. KENNEDY

Character: ASSAULTING FEDERAL OFFICER

**Synopsis:** RAY PUGH, Albuquerque, allegedly made statement two months ago when President went to Texas he would be killed. PUGH interviewed and denied making this statement. N.M. Lic. 2-80392 registered to ROBERT E. WILLEIT, who left Albuquerque 11/62. M.C. ROBERTS, Clovis, N.M., advised that he strongly against President KENNEDY and thought death good thing, but thought it a shame he was killed. WILLIAM H. BERRY advised service station attendant, Grants, N.M., had stated two \$5,000 bets were made that KENNEDY would not complete trip to Dallas. FELIX WORST, Grants, N.M., identified as individual referred to by BERRY. WORST states no individuals had been in his station claiming they won \$5,000 bets on death of President, but that unknown individual came into station and stated had recently won \$2,000 on bet on the "KENNEDY Deal." WORST described by Chief of Police, Grants, as "alarmist nut" who constantly exaggerates and is completely unreliable. BILLY BRYANT, Station KOB-TV, Albuquerque, allegedly received telephone call from LAWRENCE REMING (PH), Dallas, Tex., stating someone will try to shoot OSWALD. BRYANT interviewed and advised telephone call received from REMING re contributions for J.D. TIPPETT family, but denied statement made re shooting of OSWALD. ROBERT DOUGLAS and JAMES BRASHER allegedly made comments that leading Texas politicians had reported "four men were planning to kill the President this fall." DOUGLAS and BRASHER interviewed and denied these statements.

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This is a joint report of SAs STUART J. CAMERON and J. JEROME MAXWELL.

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Mrs. ADOLPH ZAMORA, 2029 Nancy SW, telephonically advised, shortly after hearing radio reports of the shooting of President KENNEDY, that about one month ago she entered the office of DAMON R. STRANGE, agent for the Farmers Insurance Company at 1529 Bridge Boulevard SW, Albuquerque, and heard him talking over the telephone. After his telephone conversation terminated, he told her that the man he was talking to, name not mentioned, said something about someone killing President KENNEDY.

She said she thought in view of the shooting of the President, she should report this to the FBI, and that she had no further information concerning the matter.

On 11/22/63 at Albuquerque, New Mexico File # AQ 89-27  
by SA CARY CARLTON/flw/pd Date dictated 11/30/63

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DAMON R. STRANGE, Agent for the Farmers Insurance Company, 1529 Bridge Boulevard SW, telephonically advised that about one month ago he had a telephone conversation with a man named RAY PUGH who carries insurance with him. He said that PUGH had voiced his objection to the Federal Income Tax and other government procedures, and had frequently criticized President KENNEDY. He mentioned that about two months ago, after making a trip to Southern New Mexico and possibly Texas, PUGH said that when the President went to Texas, he would be killed. PUGH indicated he had heard this on the trip he had just completed.

STRANGE advised that PUGH operates the Valley Automobile Sales at about 1545 Bridge Street SW. He described PUGH as follows:

Race	White
Sex	Male
Nationality	American
Age	53-54
Height	5'10"
Weight	250-275 pounds
Build	Heavy, large stomach

The Albuquerque Telephone Directory indicated that PUGH resides at 1571 Bridge Boulevard SW in Albuquerque.

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by SA CARY CARLTON/flw/pd Date dictated 11/30/63

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Mr. RAY PUGH, 1571 Bridge Street SW, stated that he has lived here for many years and has been in the automobile business. He has been inactive for approximately the past eight months due to pneumonia, and is in the process of trying to reopen his business at the present time. He stated he went to Texas in January, 1963, and later took a short trip to Odessa, Texas, approximately three months ago.

He said that at no time during these trips to Texas, nor at any other time has he heard that when the President went to Texas he would be killed. He stated that if such a statement was attributed to him, it was definitely a mistake. He advised that at no time during these trips did he engage anyone in conversation along these lines and he cannot recall any statement which he may have made in the recent past which anyone could mistake as a warning for a possible attempt to assassinate the President.

Mr. PUGH offered to be of assistance in any way he could and again reiterated the fact he has never heard anything in advance concerning the assassination of President KENNEDY.

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MISCELLANEOUS - THREATS AGAINST  
PRESIDENT KENNEDY,  
ROBERT E. WILLETT - SUSPECT

The following investigation was conducted based on information that LOIS SITZ, manager, Half Circle J Motel, Ft. Worth, Texas, had advised that on November 20, 1963, a man who had registered at that motel and whom she described as being drunk and having a pistol, had inquired for directions to the parade route on the morning of November 21, 1963. This person was driving a 1955 two-tone red and white Chevrolet or Oldsmobile bearing New Mexico license 2-80392. Mrs. SITZ stated that she felt this man was identical with the picture of HARVEY LEE OSWALD which had appeared in the November 23, 1963 edition of the Ft. Worth paper.

The following investigation was conducted by SA  
J. JEROME MAXWELL:

AT ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO

On November 23, 1963, Officer LEONARD JOHNSON, Records Section, Albuquerque Police Department, advised that their records reflect that New Mexico license 2-80392 is registered to R. E. WILLETT, 324 Hazeldine Drive, SW, Albuquerque, New Mexico, for a 1955 Chevrolet.

The 1962 Albuquerque City Directory reflects that GEORGE L. MC KENZIE resides at 324 Hazeldine Drive, SW, Albuquerque, New Mexico.

On November 23, 1963, Mr. and Mrs. GEORGE L. MC KENZIE, 324 Hazeldine Drive, SW, advised that R. E. WILLETT had rented a room at their residence for five or six months and that he had worked as a salesman for Leed's Shoe Store in Albuquerque. He had made two long distance telephone calls on October 18, and 31, 1962, to his father at the home of one of his father's friends in Baltimore, Maryland. Mr. MC KENZIE located the telephone bill in question and stated that this call was made to Baltimore, Maryland, telephone #CE3-9514. WILLETT had moved out

of his room without notice and without paying his rent on the night of the second telephone call, October 31, 1962. He still owes the MC KENZIES for three weeks rent and for the two long distance telephone calls. Since his disappearance, inquiries concerning WILLETT's bad debts have been received by the MC KENZIES. At the time WILLETT left, he was driving a 1955 Chevrolet with "LUCKY" painted in about four inch letters on the left side of the car. The MC KENZIES did not recall the color of this car definitely, but thought that it was possibly brown.

Mr. and Mrs. MC KENZIE described WILLETT as follows:

Name	ROBERT WILLETT
Race	White
Sex	Male
Nationality	American
Age	Early 20's
Height	5'8" - 10"
Weight	155 lbs.
Build	Slender
Hair	Dark brown
Complexion	Fair

The files of the Albuquerque Credit Bureau were checked on November 23, 1963, and these files reflect that R. E. WILLETT, 324 Hazeldine Drive, SW, Albuquerque, New Mexico, and who was employed by Leed's Shoe Store in Albuquerque had been known to their files since November 1962, when the Albuquerque Credit Bureau received an inquiry concerning WILLETT from the Credit Bureau in Baltimore, Maryland. WILLETT's Baltimore address was shown as 1410 Holland Street, Baltimore, Maryland. The credit bureau records reflect that WILLETT had formerly served in the United States Marine Corps and that two of his accounts had been received for collection.

On February 27, 1961, ROBERT ERIC WILLETT, 716 Summit, East St. Louis, Illinois, was interviewed by SA BANARD E. HAFEN at East St. Louis, Illinois. WILLETT advised that he had not been in trouble previously, but stated that he had been forced to cash two no account checks in the East St. Louis area by one



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JAMES WILSON. He advised that he wanted to furnish all information available concerning this matter. The following description was obtained at the time of this interview by interview and observation:

Name	ROBERT ERIC WILLETT
Sex	Male
Race	White
Born	November 30, 1936, at Baltimore, Maryland
Height	5'11"
Weight	163 pounds
Hair	Brown
Eyes	Hazel
Education	10th grade
Military Service	U.S. Marine Corps, 1958-1960 Undesirable discharge
Parents	ROBERT C. WILLETT 1853 Ramsey, Baltimore; EVELYN SHILOW, 1144 Washington, Baltimore

On November 30, 1963, Mr. GEORGE H. MC KENZIE contacted SA J. JEROME MAXWELL telephonically and advised that ROBERT E. WILLETT had contacted his wife by telephone on the night of November 29, 1963, and wanted to rent a room in their home. WILLETT was told that the MC KENZIES would not rent him a room as he had left owing three months rent and for two long distance telephone calls when he previously rented a room from them.

WILLETT stated that he had just arrived in Albuquerque and he planned to attempt to obtain employment as a shoe salesman at Fedway's Department Store in Albuquerque.

MISCELLANEOUS - THREATS AGAINST PRESIDENT  
KENNEDY, M. C. ROBERTS - SUSPECT

On November 26, 1963, Mr. M. C. ROBERTS, Zia Lodge, Clovis, New Mexico, was interviewed by SA FRANK W. HAINES in the presence of Chief of Police LLOYD NIECE, Clovis, New Mexico, Police Department. ROBERTS advised that he was a conservative, and proud of it, and travels extensively around the country to conservative meetings. ROBERTS advised that the people with whom he associates did not agree with KENNEDY's policies, but did not want to kill him. He stated that they wanted to vote him out of office, but not to assassinate him. ROBERTS advised that he had never heard anyone mention that they would want to kill the President. He stated that the people he associates with are high type people.

ROBERTS stated that he had no information concerning the assassination of President KENNEDY.

ROBERTS stated that it was a shame that the United States could not have a president without him being killed. He stated he was trying to see some good coming out of the assassination and believed it was a good thing because it "busted up the KENNEDY Dynasty." He also stated he thought it was a good thing because there would not be a KENNEDY as president for the next 100 years. He advised that under KENNEDY, the Communists were put on pedestals.

ROBERTS advised that he had known President LYNDON JOHNSON all his life and believes that he will be a better president than KENNEDY even though he "is the biggest crook in Texas."

ROBERTS again advised that he had no information concerning the assassination of President KENNEDY.

It should be noted that in ROBERTS' room was a sign which reads "Sink KENNEDY in GOLDWATER."

On August 16, 1963, Chief of Police LLOYD NIECE, Clovis, New Mexico Police Department, advised SA FRANK W. HAINES, that Mr. M. C. ROBERTS, Roberts Seed Company, Clovis, New Mexico, had come to his office and told him that when the Negroes march on Washington, D.C., on August 28, 1963, that this was a signal for the Negroes to rise up and to blow up the television stations and the power and light companies as well as to murder as many white people as possible. Chief of Police NIECE advised that ROBERTS said he heard this at a meeting in Amarillo, Texas, and that if he wanted to check his story to check with J. K. PHILLIPS, editor of the Borger, Texas newspaper, or retired General WILLIAM L. LEE, Paramount Boulevard, Amarillo, Texas. NIECE stated that ROBERTS advised that he had just returned from a trip all over the country on a BARRY GOLDWATER campaign and that everywhere he went this was the talk. NIECE stated that ROBERTS also added that there was a possibility that the Russians had troops in ships off the coast of the United States and that when this took place, the Russians would hit the United States shores. NIECE advised that ROBERTS is a wealthy businessman in Clovis, New Mexico, and is somewhat "radical" in his thinking.

Sheriff NELSON WORLEY, Curry County Sheriff's Office, Clovis, New Mexico, was present when Chief of Police NIECE furnished the above information and characterized Mr. ROBERTS as a "screwball."

On August 16, 1963, Mr. J. HARVEY WILSON, District Manager, Southern Union Gas Company, Clovis, New Mexico, advised SA FRANK W. HAINES that Mr. M. C. ROBERTS of Clovis had come to his office while he was out on August 16, 1963, and had dictated a note to WILSON's secretary, which reads as follows:

"Mr. M. C. Roberts came in to see you and said give you this message: He has been in a conference in Amarillo with General WILLIAM L. LEE, and Mr. J. K. PHILLIPS (who is editor of the Borger News Herald) and on the 28th of August, the negroes march on Washington, which is the signal for a negro uprising all over the nation. Negroes have instructions to first blow up all utilities, and under cover of darkness murder as many whites as possible. This may not happen in Clovis, but keep

in mind that less than 1% of the Russian population took over the government of Russia and we have here in Clovis 10% colored population that are armed and dangerous."

Mr. WILSON stated that he had heard that M. C. ROBERTS had been kicked out of the John Birch Society and that he felt that ROBERTS "must be going off his rocker," and that he is a "little warped." WILSON continued that ROBERTS has always tried to tell the Southern Union Gas Company how to advertise and that ROBERTS believes that the United States Government is going Communistic.

Mr. WILSON also advised that although he did not put much stock in what Mr. ROBERTS said, he had advised his superiors of the information furnished to his office by ROBERTS on August 16, 1963.

On August 16, 1963, Mr. M. C. ROBERTS, 713-18th Street, Clovis, New Mexico, was telephonically contacted by SA FRANK W. HAINES for the purpose of making an appointment to interview him. ROBERTS advised that he was too busy at that time to be interviewed, but he did furnish the following information by telephone:

ROBERTS stated that he believed that the August 28, 1963, march by the Negroes on Washington, D.C., was a signal for a Negro uprising all over the nation. He stated he felt the Negroes have instructions to blow up all of the utilities and under cover of darkness murder as many white people as they could. When questioned as to why he believed this, ROBERTS advised that he heard this in a lecture given by J.K. Phillips, editor of the "Berger News Herald," at a meeting held at the Conservative Club Number 1, in the Colonial Cafeteria, Amarillo, Texas, on August 14, 1963. ROBERTS also advised that retired General WILLIAM L. LEE, Paramount Boulevard, Amarillo, Texas, had been in telephonic contact with him and General LEE had mailed him a carbon copy of the "Defenders of the American Constitution, Inc., Alert No. 5: August 9, 1963," which was signed P. A. del VALLE, President Lt. Gen. U.S. Marines (Retired), Defenders of the American Constitution. ROBERTS advised that General LEE suggested that this be mimeographed and sent to friends of ROBERTS. ROBERTS stated that he had his secretary mimeograph a hundred or so copies

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of this Alert Number 5, which he is planning to mail to his friends so that he could warn his friends about this uprising. ROBERTS further advised that he had just returned from a six week tour all over the country, which had taken him from San Francisco, to New York, Phoenix, Chicago, and all over the country. He stated that this talk is everywhere. ROBERTS stated that he talked to the GOLDWATER supporters in New York, who are also saying the same thing. ROBERTS stated that he feels the people should be alerted as well as the Sheriff's Offices, Police Departments, National Guard, Mounted Patrol, and everyone else so that the utilities and the people can be protected. He stated that if the "Niggers" find out we are ready for them, they will not do anything. He stated that they will merely put their tails between their legs and run. ROBERTS stated that he believes that everyone should arm themselves so that they would be ready for the Negro uprising.

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Mr. WILLIAM H. BERRY was interviewed at the Albuquerque Division. He stated his permanent address is 117 South Simms, Columbia, South Carolina. He stated he is en route to Charlotte, North Carolina, where he will continue his employment with the Periodical Publishers Service Bureau located in the Wilder Building there. He said he is en route east from Salt Lake City, Utah, where he was employed by the same firm. He furnished the following information

He is driving a gray 1963 Studebaker Lark Sedan, bearing Florida license, and at 7:30 AM or 7:45 AM, November 25, 1963, after spending last night in Gallup, New Mexico, he was proceeding east on Highway 66. He stopped at a Texaco Station located on the south side of Highway 66 in the Grants, New Mexico area. He parked his car on the street and merely went to the service station in order to use the rest room. There he joined a Spanish male employee at the Texaco Station in general conversation. During this conversation, the person he presumed to be manager walked in during the time the assassination of President KENNEDY was mentioned.

The manager mentioned that it was nothing but a gangster killing and that JACK RUBY is a known prominent gangster. The manager mentioned two \$5,000 bets which were made that KENNEDY would not complete his trip on that particular procession or parade. Mr. BERRY assumed that these bets were made elsewhere than the Grants, New Mexico area and could furnish no further details on the comments made by the manager. The manager did mention, however, that a gangster killing was behind the assassination.

Continuing the conversation, the manager stated there was a man in the station yesterday, November 24, 1963, who showed the manager \$8,000 which he had won on an identical kind of bet, that is, that President KENNEDY would not complete the parade in which he was riding and in which he was killed. The unknown man allegedly mentioned to the manager that the \$8,000 was tax free. Mr. BERRY described the manager as white male,

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40 years, 6' tall, 140 pounds, slender build, reddish brown hair.

The Spanish boy was described as young, 175 pounds,  
5'7" tall, rather husky build.

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FELIX VORST, owner and operator of Texaco Service Station located 301 West Santa Fe Avenue, Grants, New Mexico, was interviewed and it was determined that he is the person who talked to Mr. WILLIAM H. BERRY earlier that day. He acknowledged telling BERRY that a gangster killing was behind the President's assassination, and that a man was in his station November 24, 1963, claiming to have won an \$8,000 bet.

At the outset of the interview, VORST appeared very nervous and stated numerous tourists from back East had recently stopped at his station stating that President KENNEDY's death was the work of gangsters and that bets could be made back East lately to the effect that President KENNEDY would not last out his four-year term of office. When interviewed further, VORST stated that only one such person had made the above statement, that being last Saturday, November 23, 1963. This particular individual did not state that he had made such a bet or that he had won any money on this type of bet.

VORST also stated that to his knowledge no individuals have been into his station claiming they have won \$5,000 bets on the fact that President KENNEDY would not complete his trip through Dallas, Texas.

Nevertheless, VORST stated that on November 24, 1963, an individual described as a white male, American, over 6' tall, heavy build, approximately 60 years of age, driving a 1959 black four-door Chevrolet, bearing Texas license unknown, came into his station and filled up with gasoline paying cash. This unknown individual stated that JACK RUBY was an ex-jewel thief from Chicago, Illinois. This unknown individual also stated he had recently won \$8,000 on a bet regarding the "KENNEDY deal." When further interviewed, VORST stated this unknown individual did not further specify or explain what he meant by the "KENNEDY deal." This individual left the station and headed in an easterly direction with a female, believed to be his wife.

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VORST stated that his helper, ANDRES MARTINEZ was in the station and heard this unknown individual make the above statement.

VORST stated he had not heard any other individuals make any type of statement concerning the assassination of President KENNEDY in regard to gambling bets being made on the fact that the President would be assassinated.

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ANDRES MARTINEZ was interviewed at his place of employment, Vorst's Texaco Station, 301 West Santa Fe Avenue, Grants, New Mexico. He stated that he remembers a heavy set individual over six feet tall, approximately 60 years of age, driving a 1959 black four door Chevrolet from Texas, stopping at the gasoline station yesterday, November 24, 1963, and engaging in a conversation with his employer, FELIX VORST. When this man paid for the gasoline which was put in his car, he came inside the gasoline station and briefly engaged in a conversation with VORST. Nevertheless, he knows nothing about their conversation, inasmuch as he was working at the grease rack during the short time this individual was inside the gasoline station talking to VORST.

He stated he did not hear this individual mention anything about winning a large sum of money on a bet that President KENNEDY would be assassinated, and in fact does not recall anything concerning the conversation he had with VORST.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
SA CALVIN D. KNOTT.

On November 25, 1963, Chief of Police LUPE SANCHEZ, Grants, New Mexico, advised that he was acquainted with FELIX VORST, owner and proprietor of a Texaco Station located at 301 West Santa Fe Avenue, Grants, New Mexico. SANCHEZ described VORST as "an alarmist nut," one who constantly exaggerates, a fabricator, and completely unreliable. He advised VORST has been a suspect in several petty thefts from cars left over night at his station.

SANCHEZ stated he would put no credence whatsoever in anything VORST had to report.

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On November 24, 1963, Mr. HARRY NORVELL, Radio Station KOB-TV, Albuquerque, New Mexico, advised Security Patrol Clerk ROLLAND G. LLOYD that BILLY BRYANT, a part-time employee at that station, received a call from a person furnishing the phonetic name of LAWRENCE RENIENY from Dallas, Texas. NORVELL stated that RENIENY wanted to advise Station KOB-TV to announce that money sent to the TIPPETT family be sent in care of the Dallas Police Department. According to Mr. NORVELL, RENIENY then asked if there were any riots in Albuquerque. BRYANT reportedly replied, "Of course not." Whereupon BRYANT asked how things were in Dallas. RENIENY said that it was like a powder keg ready to blow up at any time and that some "bastard will try to shoot OSWALD." BRYANT reportedly asked if RENIENY were with the Police Department in Dallas and RENIENY said that he was not.

On November 26, 1963, Mr. BILLY BRYANT, 272 Valley High Road SW, Albuquerque, New Mexico, advised SA STUART J. CAMERON he is employed in a traveling capacity by the Mountain States Telephone and Telegraph Company and works on a part-time basis as a technician by Station KOB-TV in Albuquerque. He then furnished the following information:

At approximately 9:30 a.m., November 23, 1963, he was taking telephone calls at the TV station when he received a call from a person identifying himself as LAWRENCE REMING (phonetic) who said he was calling from Dallas, Texas. REMING stated "they" were getting an awful lot of calls concerning contributions for the TIPPETT family. He asked BRYANT if that station could not make an announcement to the effect that any contributions to the TIPPETT family should be made to J. D. TIPPETT, c/o Dallas Police Department, Dallas, Texas.

BRYANT and REMING then discussed events concerning the assassination generally and REMING asked if they were having any trouble in Albuquerque. BRYANT told him they were not, to which REMING replied that there was a great deal of tension mounting in Dallas and that things were very "touchy." BRYANT stated neither he nor REMING mentioned OSWALD and stated that REMING definitely did not mention the fact that someone was going to try to shoot OSWALD as Mr. NORVELL had previously advised. BRYANT then asked REMING if he were with the Dallas Police Department, to which REMING replied negatively.

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On November 25, 1963, Mr. MICHAEL SHAFER, aka Mike Shean, 2874 Orchard Avenue, Grand Junction, Colorado, announcer for Radio Station KWSL, Grand Junction, Colorado, advised he formerly worked for Radio Station KFUN, Las Vegas, New Mexico. He said that on several occasions during July and August, 1963, he heard comments at Las Vegas Radio Station through ROBERT DOUGLAS and JAMES BRASHER, fellow employees, that some leading Texas politicians, identity unknown, had reported "Four men were planning to kill the President this fall."

He said that DOUGLAS is an announcer and still works for KFUN, Las Vegas, New Mexico, and JAMES BRASHER is now working for the Public Service Company, Albuquerque, New Mexico.

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On November 6, 1963, Mr. ROBERT DOUGLAS, Route 1, Box 322, Las Vegas, New Mexico, advised he is an announcer and salesman for Radio Station KFUN there. DOUGLAS stated that he and JAMES BRASHER previously discussed politics at length, while BRASHER was employed by that station. He stated that he cannot recall that BRASHER made any remarks indicating there was a conspiracy to kill the President, and added he is certain he made no similar comment during these discussions. He advised he could not recall any such statement by any other individual and said he would have reported this fact immediately to the proper authorities. He stated he could not recall any conversation he has ever had which would shed any light on the statement attributed to him, which was allegedly learned from Texas politicians, and he also added he knows very little concerning Texas politics and Texas politicians.

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On November 13, 1963, JAMES O. BRASHER, 14 57th NW, Albuquerque, New Mexico, who is employed by the Public Service Company, advised that he was formerly employed by Radio Station KFUN at Las Vegas, New Mexico, until August 4, 1963, during which time he worked with ROBERT DOUGLAS there. He was interviewed concerning comments that some leading Texas politicians, identity not known, had reported "four men were planning to kill the President this fall." BRASHER stated he and DOUGLAS engaged in "bar room politics," discussing politics at length pointing out that both were Republicans; however, they differed on Republican viewpoints. He stated these discussions took place in their homes, at work, and over an occasional beer. However, he emphatically denied receiving any information or making any statement which would indicate that four men were planning to kill the President this fall. He said he knows absolutely nothing concerning Texas politics and Texas politicians, and would definitely recall such a statement had he or DOUGLAS made same. He also advised he would have reported this fact immediately and feels sure that DOUGLAS would have done so.

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MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING  
JACK L. RUBY

On November 26, 1963, Mrs. PHYLLIS SNOW, also known as Mrs. ROBERT H. SNOW, 227 Artist Road, Santa Fe, New Mexico, was interviewed at the residence of Mrs. D. L. LEISHER, Timberwick Road, SE, Santa Fe, New Mexico, by SA WIRT R. JONES at Mrs. SNOW's request. Mrs. LEISHER was present during the interview.

Mrs. SNOW stated that she is the wife of Dr. ROBERT H. SNOW of Santa Fe, and Mrs. LEISHER described herself as being the wife of a retired Army engineer. Mrs. SNOW related that since childhood, she had been endowed with what she referred to as "sight," a quality better known as clairvoyance and cited numerous examples of her predictions which had later come to pass. She stated that a detailed study of this ability is being made in this country as well as in Russia.

Mrs. SNOW continued that shortly after President KENNEDY was assassinated, she was informed by this "supernatural power" from which she had received previous information that LEE HARVEY OSWALD would be killed. She stated that she did not report this matter at the time as she felt that no one would pay the matter any heed.

Mrs. SNOW stated that she had also been informed by this "supernatural power" that JACK L. RUBY, also known as JACK L. RUBENSTEIN is a part of a plot and that he was sent to kill OSWALD since OSWALD did not succeed in committing suicide as planned. She stated that RUBY has been engaged in subversive activity under another name in Chicago, Illinois and Gary, Indiana, in the past. She predicted that Mrs. OSWALD will be killed soon and her death will be made to appear accidental.

Mrs. SNOW stated that she definitely had no information of any kind concerning the assassination of the President or concerning OSWALD or RUBENSTEIN, except that which she had received in the nature of a vision from a "supernatural power."



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Mrs. D. L. LEISHER advised SA JONES that she has a similar ability as that of Mrs. SNOW, however, she did not have any information regarding the assassination.

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Mrs. YVETTE SEARCY, 7340 Guadalupe Trail NW, advised she is presently employed in the Accounting Department, Fedway Stores, downtown branch, in Albuquerque. She said that she worked at the Centex Corporation in Dallas, Texas from April, 1962, through December, 1962. She said that a person whose full name she did not know but whose last name is SWANSON, also worked for Centex Corporation and traveled on construction work in a very good position under the supervision of Mr. LEE HIGGINS. SWANSON asked her at sometime during this period to translate some documents from French into English. One of the items was a proclamation which was a year or two old, author not recalled, but the tenor of which was that the French were jailing people in France in the same manner the Nazis did in Germany.

SWANSON also showed her a news article in English, details of which she could not recall, but to effect that President KENNEDY was actually a Communist. She remarked to SWANSON that this article was accusing the president of being a Communist, to which SWANSON replied, "that's what he is."

SEARCY knew of no organization to which SWANSON belonged but he had her make 25 copies of the material she translated, and these were made at Centex Corp. on their Zerex duplicating machine.

SWANSON said he was obtaining the material from a woman whose first name was possibly LUCILLE, and this woman was in Indiana or some other state.

SEARCY described SWANSON as follows:

Race:	White
Sex:	Male
Nationality:	American
Age:	45
Height:	5'8"
Weight:	175 pounds
Hair:	Brown, wavy
Eyes:	Believed blue
Complexion:	Ruddy

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