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ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT
JOHN F. KENNEDY
NOVEMBER 22, 1963
DALLAS, TEXAS

Mr. Robert Hickey, attorney, Washington, D. C., and formerly an attorney in the Criminal Division, on March 24, 1964, said he had been contacted by a friend, Mr. Robert Cleary, Assistant to the Vice President in Charge of the Insurance Department, Weaver Brothers, Inc., Washington, D. C., concerning an old Army friend of Cleary's named Glenn T. Carthron, Jr., according to Mr. Hickey, Cleary related a story in which Carthron alleged James Riddle Hoffa was responsible for the assassination of President Kennedy.

On March 25, 1964, Mr. Robert Cleary was interviewed by Special Agents of this Bureau at which time he stated he had become acquainted with Mr. Glenn T. Carthron, Jr., and Mr. Edwin W. Hanger while serving in the Armed Forces. Mr. Cleary explained on March 19, 1964, he had received a call from Mr. Hanger advising that Glenn T. Carthron, Jr. wanted to see him. At a subsequent luncheon Carthron alleged James Riddle Hoffa "triggered" the assassination of President John F. Kennedy by taking \$1,500,000 from the Teamsters Pension Fund and paying it to Jack Ruby to "take care" of the assassination. According to Carthron, Ruby then hired Lee Harvey Oswald to carry out the assassination. Carthron wanted Cleary to make arrangements for him to meet you so that Carthron could obtain permission to charge Hoffa with the murder of President Kennedy. Mr. Cleary said Carthron indicated if he did not obtain such permission he was going to order a submachine gun and "shoot Hoffa's head off." In addition, Carthron was reported to have said when he left the hotel in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, there was a bomb in his car and he took a bus to Washington, D. C.

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- Belmont _____ 1 - 105-82555 (Lee Harvey Oswald)
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NOTE: See memorandum A. Rosen to Mr. Belmont, KMR:vhm, dated 4-1-64 captioned, "Assassination of President John F. Kennedy, 11/22/63, Dallas, Texas."

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Our Agents also interviewed Mr. Edwin W. Hanger, Assistant Chief Clerk, American Security and Trust Company, and Mr. William C. Lord, Assistant Credit Manager, American Security and Trust Company, Washington, D. C., both of whom were former associates of Carthron. These gentlemen furnished substantially the same story. They commented Carthron had related that while in a hotel room in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, a light came through the transom of his hotel room and a "voice" spoke to him saying, "Hoffa triggered the assassination" and the "voice" said, "I am God." Carthron was described as highly excitable and nervous and Mr. Hanger advised it was his personal opinion Carthron had a mental problem..

Mr. Cleary also stated, based on his previous association with Carthron it was his opinion Carthron tended to be a "violent person." Mr. Cleary also stated Carthron was possibly in the same category as a person like Jack Ruby who would take the law into his own hands to revenge the President's assassination, contending that Hoffa bears the responsibility for it.

On March 20, 1964, Mr. Robert Cleary telephonically advised that he had received a telephone call from Glenn T. Carthron, Jr. on the same day. Mr. Cleary stated Carthron said he was calling from a downtown Washington, D. C. department store and that he had just arrived from Salisbury, Maryland. In addition, Carthron made the statement he had been arrested over the week end by the Wicomico, Maryland, Police Department and was given a psychiatric examination. In addition, according to Carthron, the police found a gun in the glove compartment of his automobile but he claimed the Constitution gave him the right to bear arms.

Mr. Cleary said Carthron related that he was fired from his job at Salisbury, Maryland, but had bought a building at 633 West Main Street, Salisbury, Maryland, from which he would compete with his former employer. Carthron wanted to refinance his Savannah, Georgia, home to obtain working capital and wanted Mr. Cleary to recommend a lawyer who would represent him in the event he was arrested. Carthron also inquired of Mr. Cleary whether Mr. Cleary had made any progress in obtaining an appointment with someone in the Justice Department for him.

Mr. Cleary advised that Carthron wanted an appointment with him but he told Carthron that he had other plans. Carthron

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did not indicate where he would stay in Washington, D. C., or where he would go after he concluded his conversation with Mr. Cleary.

This is being furnished to you in the event Carthren attempts to contact you. In addition, this information is being furnished to the President's Commission. Agents of this Bureau are continuing active investigation to locate and interview Carthren and the results of this interview will be furnished when received.

- 1 - The Deputy Attorney General
- 1 - Mr. Herbert J. Miller, Jr.
Assistant Attorney General