

DIRECTOR, FBI (62-109060)

11/30/63

SAC, LOS ANGELES (89-75)

ATTENTION:
FBI LABORATORY

ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT
KENNEDY, 11/22/63
DALLAS, TEXAS
AFO

Re: Dallas teletype 11/29/63
Los Angeles teletype to Dallas and Bureau,
11/30/63.

Referenced Dallas teletype stated that Dallas was attempting to determine where LEE HARVEY OSWALD obtained the revolver found in his possession at the time of arrest and used to kill Officer J. D. TIPPITT, Dallas Police Department. The gun was described as a Smith and Wesson .38/200 British Service Revolver, Victory Model with Parkerized finish, bearing Serial Number V 510210, and Assembly No. 65248. The gun was altered as follows: Barrel cut off to two and one-half inches and original round sight replaced on shorter barrel, rechambered to .38 Special, the converter having stamped on the left side of frame, "Cal. .38 Special," and the swivel in the butt having been filled. The gun has original type grips.

E. W. MICHAELIS, Office Manager, George Rose and Company, Inc., 1225 South Grand Avenue, Los Angeles, advised SA W. JAMES WOOD on 11/30/63 that the above gun was one of five cases of similar guns purchased by George Rose and Company, Inc., from Empire Wholesale Sporting Goods, Ltd., 360 Craig Street West, Montreal, Canada. It was shipped by the latter company to Rose 12/18/62, received by the latter 1/3/63, and certain alterations made.

MICHAELIS furnished, among other documents, a mail order coupon clipped from a publication which he could not identify, ordering one ".38 St. W. 2" bbl." for \$29.95, noting \$10 was transmitted with the order, and signed by a name which appeared to be A. G. or A. J. HIDEKEL, P. O. Box 2915, Dallas, Texas. This was witnessed by a name which appears to be

2 - Bureau (Encl. 1) (REGISTERED)

2 - Dallas (89-43)

1 - Los Angeles

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D. E. DRITTAL. Also written in ink on the order was a request for a box of ammunition and a holster, but an inked line had been drawn through the names of these items, cancelling this portion of the order.

Transmitted herewith is the original of the above order form. It is requested that the FBI Laboratory compare this order form with the known handwriting specimens of LEE HARVEY OSWALD to determine if OSWALD completed this form. Dallas should be advised of the results of this examination. A photographic copy of this form is being furnished Dallas by Los Angeles.

MICHAELIS does not desire the return of the order form.

The above gun was shipped to A. J. HIDEEL, P. O. Box 2215, Dallas, Texas, by Sport Traders, Inc., 1221 S. Grand Avenue, Los Angeles, the name used by the Rose Company in filling mail orders, on March 20, 1963.