

Mr. W. C. Sullivan

12/15/64

Mr. D. J. Brennan, Jr.

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**KENNEDY ASSASSINATION FILM**

Reference is made to my memorandum dated 12/2/64. By letter dated 12/4/64, we advised Mr. Rankin of the Warren Commission that we planned to make available a copy of a film to CIA on a loan basis. This is the film which had been furnished to us by Adrian Zapruder who subsequently sold the film to "Life" magazine. The Bureau has not made the copy of the film available to any other agencies without first obtaining approval from the Commission.

On 12/7/64, Mr. Rankin advised Mr. Malley of the Bureau to hold up the release of the film to CIA. He indicated that he was conferring with "Life" concerning this matter. [REDACTED] CIA, was informed by the Liaison Agent on 12/7/64, that the release of the film was being held in abeyance at the request of Mr. Rankin. The letter dated 12/4/64, which had been approved for dissemination to CIA with the film was not delivered. On 12/10/64, Mrs. Julia Eide, Secretary to Mr. Rankin, advised Mr. Malley that "Life" would be in contact with the Bureau and CIA concerning this matter. [REDACTED] of CIA was so advised by the Liaison Agent on 12/10/64.

On 12/14/64, [REDACTED] advised the Liaison Agent that a representative of "Life" Magazine in Washington, D. C., had contacted CIA in order to verify that the Agency was interested in utilizing the copy of the film in possession of the Bureau. CIA explained to this individual the purpose of the request; namely, that it was to be used for training purposes and that the showing would be restricted to CIA personnel. The "Life" representative indicated that he would pass this information to his superiors in New York City.

**ACTION:**

In view of the above, the film is not being transmitted to CIA. No release will be made unless the Bureau receives proper authorization.

The film is being returned to the Laboratory for retention.

- 1 - Mr. Belmont
  - 1 - Mr. DeLoach
  - 1 - Mr. Conrad
  - 1 - Mr. Rosen
  - 1 - Mr. Sullivan
  - 1 - Mr. Malley
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