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**ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY
REQUEST OF THE COMMISSION**

On Sunday, May 25, 1964, with prior Bureau approval, a survey was conducted at the scene of the assassination, as requested by the Commission. Representatives of the Commission, including Chief Counsel J. Lee Rankin, and representatives of the Bureau and Secret Service participated in this survey. The purpose of the survey was to obtain additional information regarding the assassination, with particular reference to the location of the car on the assassination route at the time the bullets struck the President and Governor Connally. The amateur motion picture films of Mr. Lepruder, Mr. Mix and Mrs. Muchmore were used in re-establishing as accurately as possible the specific location of the car at varying points during the assassination.

Specific positions of the President's car on the amateur films were re-established and measurements of distances and angles to the sixth floor window of the book building were recorded, both photographically and as written notes. Based on the survey and other information available, representatives of the Commission concluded that it is possible the bullet that struck the President in the back of the neck and emerged from the front of the neck also penetrated Governor Connally's body and wrist and hit his left leg. Representatives of the Bureau participating in this Dallas survey concur in this conclusion. This conclusion is based on the re-establishment of the positions of the President and Governor in the automobile and the

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measurement of the angle of this series of wounds when the car was in an area along Elm Street, where it has been established that this shot most likely occurred. In addition, it was found that this shot would have been the first clear shot that logically could be made after the car emerged from behind a tree that partially blocks the view from the sixth floor window of the book building to the street. It is noted that both Mr. and Mrs. Connally reportedly have stated that the first shot struck the President, the second struck the Governor and the third struck the President. However, the possibility mentioned above that a single bullet could have wounded both the President and the Governor leads logically to the further possibility that only two bullets struck the car and occupants. Further studies are being made of the material obtained from the Dallas survey in an effort to resolve these questions. You will be advised of any further developments.

The photographs and other material obtained by representatives of the Bureau are being processed and will be available for presentation to the Commission.

ACTION: The photographic film shot in Dallas is being expeditiously processed and reviewed and will promptly be made available to the Commission. Copies will be retained by the Bureau.