

September 16, 1975
Washington, D. C.

I, Nicholas P. Callahan, being duly sworn, hereby make the following free and voluntary statement to Assistant Director Harold N. Bassett and Inspector J. Allison Conley, both of whom are known to me as employees of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

I have read an article appearing on page nineteen of the September 15, 1975, issue of "Time" Magazine entitled, "The Oswald Cover-up." The article alleges that Lee Harvey Oswald visited the Dallas Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation prior to the assassination of President John F. Kennedy, at which time he left a note, purportedly threatening in nature. The article continues that just after the assassination anguished Federal Bureau of Investigation men in Dallas asked their superiors in Washington for guidance about the note. The article then states that John P. Mohr, then the Bureau's Administrative Chief, told the Dallas Agents to destroy it.


The article also indicates that James B. Adams, Eugene W. Walsh and myself, all former aides to Mr. Mohr in the Administrative Division of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, deny this allegation. This statement in the article as it pertains to the writer is erroneous as the author of the article nor any other person at no time queried the writer concerning this allegation prior to its publication. In fact, the writer was unaware of the article until it was called to his attention in Geneva, Switzerland, about midpoint of the week of 9/8/75.

At the time of the assassination of President Kennedy, Mr. J. P. Mohr was Assistant to the Director-Administrative and I held the position of Assistant Director

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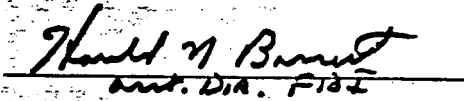
of the Administrative Division from December 30, 1959, until July 26, 1973, at which time I assumed my current position of Associate Director. I wish to state that prior to July, 1975, I had absolutely no knowledge of an alleged visit by Lee Harvey Oswald to the Dallas Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, his leaving of a note or any information whatsoever concerning any destruction of such a note or any discussions or decisions made in connection with Oswald's alleged activities.

I have read and initialled this affidavit consisting of this page and one other page and it is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

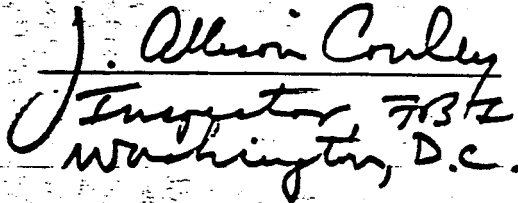


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Sworn to and subscribed before me this 16th day of September, 1975.



Harold W. Barrett
Asst. Dir. FBI



J. Allison Cowley
Inspector, FBI
Washington, D.C.