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Mr. Roosevely Thomas 851 Ella Kansas City, Kansas

Dear Mr. Thomas:

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Your telegram of November 24th has been

HOW 2F IT ON AH "63 It is certainly understandable that you should be highly disturbed by the report that the FBI had the alleged killer under surveillance prior to the brutal assassination of President lown F. Kennedy. I share your great concern and want to make it perfectly clear that there is absolutely no truth whatsoever to this unfounded and thoughtless allegation of negligence on the part of this Bureau.

As you may know, the protection of the President and his immediate family is the responsibility of the Secret Service. Nevertheless the full facilities of the Federal Bureau of Investigation 'were immediately deployed to assist that agency, and the President has instructed the FBI to conduct a full investigation into the assassination of President Kennedy and the murder of Lee Harvey Oswald. I can assure you that this Bureau will discharge its responsibilities in this regard with the same thoroughness and dispatch that have characterized our investigations in the past.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover Director

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S. Edgar Hoover

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