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Mr. Carl A. Paulson 430 57th Place, Northeast Fridley, Minnesota

Dear Mr. Paulson:

Your telegram of November 25th has been received.

Although I appreciate the confidence you expressed in me, I am disturbed over your implied criticism of my associates. It is certainly understandable that you should be highly concerned over the assassination of the President and subsequent events, but I want to make it perfectly clear that there is absolutely no truth whatsoever to unfounded and thoughtless allegations 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.

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