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TO DIRECTOR AND SAC, DALLAS

FROM SAC, NEW ORLEANS /89-69/

*PP* ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY, NOV.

TWENTYTWO, NINETEEN SIXTYTHREE J DALLAS, TEXAS.

SHERIFF HENRY A REID, JR., CALCASIEU PARISH SO,

LAKE CHARLES, LA., ADVISED SA JAMES F. WRIGHT TODAY THAT

FORMER MEMBER OF [REDACTED] TOLD

HIM TODAY THAT LONNIE MORGAN, WM, APPROXIMATE AGE FORTY,

DRILLING FOREMAN, CONTINENTAL OIL COMPANY, LAKE CHARLES,

APPROXIMATELY THREE TO FOUR WEEKS AGO ASKED

QUOTE HOW ABOUT MAKING A CONTRIBUTION TO KILL THE SOB. UNQUOTE. MANCUS

INQUIRED AS TO THE PERSON MORGAN REFERRED TO AND MORGAN

REPLIED QUOTE KENNEDY. UNQUOTE. DURING THE CONVERSATION MORGAN DISPLAY

SMALL NOTE PAPER WITH NAMES THEREON WRAPPED AROUND SOME

CURRENCY. ADVISED REID THAT CERTAIN ELEMENTS IN OIL INDUSTRY

WERE VIOLENTLY OPPOSED TO PRESIDENT KENNEDY/S

OIL DEPLETION POLICIES.

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CHARLES, ADVISED SAS WRIGHT AND GEORGE M. CAMPBELL TODAY

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THE UNKNOWN INDIVIDUAL REMARKED TO WIDNER THAT QUOTE OSWALD WAS KILLED BECAUSE HE KNEW TOO MUCH AND BESIDES HE WAS ONLY A LITTLE MAN IN THE PLOT. UNQUOTE.

HE ALSO INDICATED THAT HE WAS HAPPY WITH THE PRESIDENT-S DEATH SINCE KENNEDY WAS GOING TO BRING THE POPE TO THIS COUNTRY.

IT WAS WIDNER-S OPINION THAT THIS INDIVIDUAL WAS ANTI-KENNEDY SINCE HE ALSO STATED THAT DURING THE PRESIDENT-S ELECTION OF NINETEEN SIXTY, KENNEDY SUPPORTERS IN CALIFORNIA GAVE FIVE DOLLARS AND WINE TO NUMEROUS QUOTE WINOS UNQUOTE AND TRANSPORTED THEM TO THE POLLS.

THE UNKNOWN INDIVIDUAL STATED HE WAS NOT A SALESMAN, BUT OWNED TWO SMALL BUSINESSES AND PART OF A THIRD BUSINESS, LOCATION OF SAME NOT STATED. HE STATED HE WAS BROUGHT UP IN KANSAS AND SPOKE WITH A MIDWESTERN ACCENT.

WIDNER HAS NO IDEA AS TO THIS MAN-S IDENTITY, NOR WHO IN AREA WOULD KNOW HIM. HOWEVER, HE STATED SHOULD THIS INDIVIDUAL RETURN TO BARBER SHOP, HE WOULD IMMEDIATELY NOTIFY THE BUREAU.

DALLAS SHOULD DETERMINE THROUGH SOURCES IF CITY COUNCILMEN WENT TO CHICAGO AND IDENTIFY SAME.

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THE STATEMENT IN DIFFERENT LIGHT AND THOUGHT THE CONVERSATION WITH MORGAN SHOULD BE REPORTED.

[REDACTED] IS OF OPINION EXECUTIVES OF OIL INDUSTRY AS A WHOLE HAVE BEEN STRONGLY OPPOSED TO THE OIL DEPLETION POLICIES OF THE ADMINISTRATION. HE HOLDS NO PERSONAL ANIMOSITY TOWARD MORGAN, WHO HE HAS KNOWN APPROXIMATELY SIX YEARS AND WHOM HE CONSIDERS A CLOSE BUSINESS ASSOCIATE. [REDACTED] ADVISED MORGAN HAS BEEN EMPLOYED AS DRILLING FOREMAN WITH THE CONTINENTAL OIL CO. FOR APPROXIMATELY EIGHT YEARS AND BELIEVES HE IS FROM THE MC ALLEN, TEXAS AREA. HE ADVISED TO HIS KNOWLEDGE MORGAN HAS NO CLOSE ASSOCIATES BUT WOULD CONSIDER HIS CLOSEST ASSOCIATES AS CLINTON /RED/ GRIFFITH, GRIFFITH RENTAL TOOL CO. / W. G. HILL, DISTRICT SUPERVISOR, CONTINENTAL OIL CO. AND JIM SUDDUTH, LOCAL TAX CONSULTANT.

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[REDACTED] KNOWS OF NO ASSOCIATES OR FRIENDS OF MORGAN IN DALLAS, TEXAS AREA.

LONNIE BEN MORGAN, TWO NINE ONE TWO GEN. MITCHELL ST., LAKE CHARLES, UPON INTERVIEW BY SAs WRIGHT AND CAMPBELL ADVISED THAT WHILE HE HAS OPPOSED THE LATE PRESIDENT KENNEDY AND THE ADMINISTRATION CONCERNING OIL DEPLETION AND RACIAL MATTERS, KENNEDY WAS NEVERTHELESS A DULY ELECTED PRESIDNET OF THE UNITED STATES AND HE WOULD NEVER SEROUSLY DESIRE OR

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WISH ANY HARM TO THE PRESIDENT OR BE INVOLVED IN ANY MANNER IN ANY PHYSICAL VIOLENCE DIRECTLY TOWARD THE PRESIDENT OF THE US. HE EMPHATICALLY DENIES HAVING MADE ANY STATEMENT CONCERNING CONTRIBUTIONS TO DETRID OR OR TO KILL THE PRESIDENT AND DENIES HAVING MADE ANY COLLECTIONS FOR ANY GROUP OR ORGANIZATION OR INDIVIDUAL FOR ANY PURPOSE. HE ADVISED THE POSSIBILITY EXISTS HE DID MAKE A COMPARABLE RASH STATEMENT WHILE IN A BAR BUT DOES NOT ACTUALLY RECALL HAVING DONE SO.

ON NOV. TWENTYTWO HE WAS WORKING ON A JOB IN LAKE CHARLES AND CAMERON, LA. AND DURING MORNING HOURS FILED DRILLING REPORTS AT THE COMPANY OFFICE AND AT APPROXIMATELY TEN AM DROVE TO CAMERON, LA. ACCOMPANIED BY DON SMITH, FELLOW EMPLOYEE. AT CAMERON HE TOOK HELICOPTOR FLIGHT TO CONTINENTAL OIL CO. RIG NUMBER ONE NINE TWO A. HE WAS AT THE CAMERON AND GULF AREA UNTIL LATE AFTERNOON OF NOV. TWENTYTWO. MORGAN STATES HE HAS NO FRIENDS, RELATIVES OR ASSOCIATES IN DALLAS AREA NOR HAS HE BEEN IN TOUCH WITH ANY PERSON IN THAT AREA IN RECENT PAST. TO BEST OF HIS MEMORY HE LAST VISITED THAT CITY IN FORTYNINE. HE AGAIN DENIED BEING INVOLVED IN A CONSPIRACY OR INVOLVEMENT IN CONNECTION WITH THE ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY.

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MORGAN IS DESCRIBED WMA, BORN DEC. TWENTYEIGHT, NINETEEN SIXTEEN, MILANO, TEXAS, SIX FEET ONE INCH, ONE NINETY LBS., GRAYING BLOND HAIR, HAZEL EYES, JAGGED THREE INCH SCAR RIGHT SIDE OF NECK NEAR CHIN, NO ARREST RECORD.

LAKE CHARLES CREDIT BUREAU RECORDS SHOW LONNIE B. MORGAN BORN DEC. TWENTYEIGHT, NINETEEN SIXTEEN, MILANO, TEXAS, FORMERLY RESIDED IN MC ALLEN, TEXAS, WHERE HE OPERATED SOUTH TEXAS FLOOR CO. AND EMPLOYED PERIODICALLY WITH VARIOUS DRILLING COMPANIES. MORGAN FIRST CHECKED BY LAKE CHARLES CREDIT BUREAU IN NINETEEN FIFTYSEVEN, AT WHICH TIME EMPLOYMENT LISTED AS DRILL FOREMAN, CONTINENTAL OIL CO., RESIDING THREE FIVE FOUR FIVE W. ROOSEVELT ST., LAKE CHARLES. RELATIVES LISTED AS GEORGE MORGAN, FATHER, DECEASED, BROTHER GEORGE MORGAN, JR., MC ALLEN, LENA MORGAN, WIFE AND DIVORCE FILED JULY TWENTYNINE, NINETEEN SIXTYTHREE, CREDIT RATING CONSIDERED SATISFACTORY. NO RECORD IDENTIFIABLE WITH MORGAN LOCATED AT LAKE CHARLES PD OR SO.

INVESTIGATION CONTINUING AT LAKE CHARLES. P.

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