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FROM

SAC, SAN ANTONIO /89-67/

OASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY, NOVEMBER TWENTYTWO LAST, DALLAS, TEXAS/ RE JOHN WALTER JOHNSON, BORN SEPTEMBER TWENTYFIVE NINETEEN TWENTYFOUR, SAYRE, OKLAHOHA.

RE SAN ANTONIO TELETYPE TO BUREAU, DALLAS AND HOUSTON DATED NOVEMBER TWENTYNINE LAST. 19/55 MEMBER

JOHN WALTER JOHNSON, ONE EIGHT ONE THREE PIEDMONT, AUSTIN, TEXAS, ON NOVEMBER THIRTY LAST ADVISED SA H. T. BURK HE WAS EMPLOYED BY OTARION LISTENER HEARING AIDS, EIGHT ZERO ONE FRANKLIN, WACO, TEXAS, FOR APPROXIMATELY THREE MONTHS PRIOR TO NOVEMBER THENTYFIVE LAST WHEN HE RESIGNED.

ON NOVEMBER TWENTYONE LAST HE WENT TO FORT WORTH, TEXAS, TO LOOK FOR ANOTHER JOB. ON NOVEMBER TUENTY TWO LAST HE CONTACTED H. R. HIGGINS. OWNER, HIGGINS BELTONE AGENCY, FORT WORTH, TEXAS, AND SECURED JOB AS HEARING AID CONSULTANT AND THEN RETURNED TO WACO, TEXAS, AND RESIGNED PRIOR, JOB. 1/1

JOHNSON ADMITS HE WAS APPOSED TO PRESIDENT JOHN I KENNEDY-S VIEWS AS PRESIDENT AND MAY HAVE IN MOMENT OF EXCITEMENT MADE STATEMENT HE WAS GLAD KENNEDY HAD BEEN KILLED

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AND THAT KENNEDY HAD TAKEN EVERY OPPORTUNITY TO MOU DOWN OR CRUSH THE PEOPLE OF MISSISSIPPI. JOHNSON CLAIMS THAT HE GREW UP IN THE STATE OF MISSSISSIPPI. HE DENIED ANY INTENTION OF DESCREDITING THE NAME OF THE PRESIDENT OR ANY DESIRE TO DO HIM BODILY HARM PERSONALLY. JOHNSON IS NOT ACQUAINTED WITH LEE HARVEY OSVALD OR JACK RUBY AND HAD NEVER HEARD OF THEM PRIOR TO NOVEMBER TWENTY TWO LAST. HE DENIES ANY KNOWLEDGE OF PLANS TO ASSASSINATE PRESIDENT KENNEDY AND CLAIMS HE HAD NO KNOULEDGE KENNEDY WAS TO BE IN FORT WORTH, TEXAS, UNTIL HE, JOHNSON, ARRIVED THERE NOVEMBER TWENTYONE LAST. JOHNSON DENIES EVER DEING IN DALLAS, TEXAS, IN HIS LIFE. HE ADMITTED HE MAY HAVE MADE REMARKS THAT HE DID NOT BELIEVE OSWALD COULD HAVE FIRED THREE RIFLE SHOTS RAPIDLY ENOUGH AND ACCURATE ENOUGH TO ASSASSINATE PRESIDENT KENNEDY AND WOUND GOVERNOR CONNALLY BUT HE DENIED HAVING ANY FACTUAL INFORMATION THAT OSWALD DID OR DID NOT COMMIT THE ACT. JOHNSON ADMITS MEMBERSHIP IN THE JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY AT SILSBEE, TEXAS, CHAPTER THREE TWO END PAGE TWO

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ZERO FROM ABOUT ONE NINE SIX ZERO TO JULY NINETEEN SIXTYTHREE.

HE OPERATED T. V. REPAIR SHOP THERE UNTIL HE WENT BROKE IN

JULY MINETEEN SIXTYTHREE. HE DENIED THAT THE JOHN BIRCH

SOCIETY AT ANY TIME EVER ADVOCATED OR ENCOURAGED THE ASSASSINATION

OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY.

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CC-MR. SULLIVAN