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TO DIRECTOR AND SAC DALLAS /89-43/  
FROM SAC, DENVER /89-41/ 5P

ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY, DALLAS,  
NOVEMBER TWENTY TWO LAST. AFO.

RE DALLAS TELETYPE TO DIRECTOR AND DENVER NOVEMBER TWENTY  
SEVEN LAST.

MR & MRS JOHN H. HILL AND WIFE JO BETH HILL ON SEPARATE AND  
SIMULTANEOUS INTERVIEWS AT VERMEJO PARK RANCH, NEW MEXICO,  
NOVEMBER TWENTY SEVEN INSTANT, EACH INDEPENDENTLY DENIED EACH  
SPECIFIC REMARK ATTRIBUTED TO HILL IN REFERENCED TELETYPE.  
MR. HILL STATED HIS ONLY CONNECTION WITH MR. KENNEDY WAS  
THROUGH HIS PARTNER JOSEPH P. DRISCOLL AND ALL HE KNOWS  
ABOUT THE PRESIDENT HE KNEW FROM DRISCOLL, WHO IS A FORMER  
COLLEGE ROOMMATE OF KENNEDY. HE STATED THAT HE, HILL,  
SUPPORTED KENNEDY FINANCIALLY IN HIS ELECTION HAVING CON-  
TRIBUTED BETWEEN [REDACTED] DOLLARS THROUGH DRISCOLL.

HILL STATED THAT AFTER THE CIVIL RIGHTS AND INTEGRATION  
PLATFORM OF THE KENNEDY ADMINISTRATION HE CHANGED HIS

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SUPPORT OF KENNEDY AND DISAGREED WITH THE KENNEDY PROGRAM FROM THEN ON. HILL STATED THAT HE HAS MADE [REDACTED] DOLLARS WHILE MR. KENNEDY WAS PRESIDENT AND HAD NO PERSONAL ANIMOSITY TOWARD THE PRESIDENT AND NO REASON FROM ANY BUSINESS DIFFERENCES. HE SAID HE BECAME INTERESTED IN AN OIL DEAL WHEREBY HE WAS ATTEMPTING TO PURCHASE THE PAN AMERICAN OIL RIGHTS IN TEXAS AND WOULD THEN SELL GAS TO THE CITY OF EL PASO, BUT THIS BUSINESS ARRANGEMENT BECAME COMPLICATED WHEN THE FPC MADE NUMEROUS DEMANDS AND HE VOLUNTARILY WITHDREW UPON THE ADVICE OF HIS ATTORNEY.

MR. HILL DENIED THAT HE HAD EVER HEARD MR. KENNEDY SAY QUOTE OIL WAS ONE DOLLAR PER BARRELL TWO HIGH UNQUOTE AND THEREFORE HE COULD NEVER HAD MADE THIS STATEMENT TO ANYONE. HILL STATED HIS ONLY CRITICISM OF THE KENNEDY ADMINISTRATION WAS IT QUOTE APPEARED TO BE GOING SOCIALIST UNQUOTE BUT HE NEVER STATED THAT MR. KENNEDY WAS BRINGING COMMUNISTS AND SOCIALISTS INTO THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT. MR. HILL ADVISED HE NEVER

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MADE THE STATEMENT QUOTE YOU-D BETTER DO SOMETHING TO  
GET THIS STOPPED BECAUSE I KNOW SEVERAL OILMEN WHO HAVE WHAT  
IT TAKES TO HAVE THE PRESIDENT ASSASSINATED UNQUOTE. HILL  
EMPHATICALLY DENIED HAVING PUT PRESSURE ON FRIENDS OR  
ACQUAINTANCES TO CONTACT MR. KENNEDY FOR THE PURPOSE OF  
CHANGING ANY OF THE ADMINISTRATION POLICIES.

MRS. JO BETH HILL CATEGORICALLY DENIES ANY STATEMENTS  
CONCERNING PRESIDENT ATTRIBUTED TO HUSBAND, DENIES THAT SHE  
OR HER HUSBAND KNOW JACK RUBY. STATES NEITHER SHE NOR  
HUSBAND POLITICALLY MINDED, STATES HUSBAND NEVER MADE ANY  
VIOLENT STATEMENTS ABOUT KENNEDY OR KENNEDY ADMINISTRATION.  
STATES ONLY DISENCHANTMENT WITH KENNEDY ADMINISTRATION  
REGARDS INTEGRATION PROBLEM AND SHE PERSONALLY FEELS ADMINIS-  
TRATION MOVING TOO FAST IN CONNECTION WITH INTEGRATION. STATES  
NEITHER SHE NOR HUSBAND HURT BY KENNEDY ADMINISTRATION AND  
HAVE PROSPERED UNDER IT. MRS. HILL GAVE COMPLETE SUMMARY  
OF HER ACTIVITIES DURING DAY OF ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT  
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KENNEDY INDICATING SHE WAS AT NEIMAN MARCUS, DALLAS, AT JEWELRY DEPARTMENT RELATIVE TO DIAMOND CLASP MADE FOR HER BY THE STORE. AFTER THIS SHE AND HUSBAND AT CULLOM AND BOREN SPORTING GOODS STORE WHERE MR. HILL PURCHASED A HUNTING RIFLE AND VARIOUS ARTICLES OF CLOTHING FOR TRIP TO COLORADO. AFTERWARDS THEY LUNCHEDED AT IMPERIAL CLUB, BAKER HOTEL, DALLAS, AND SHE RETURNED TO NEIMAN MARCUS TO PICK UP JEWELRY. SHE LEFT THE STORE AFTER ONE O CLOCK AT WHICH TIME SHE HEARD ABOUT ASSASSINATION. SHE DENIES HUSBAND FREQUENTS NIGHT CLUBS AND STATES THEIR MEMBERSHIP AND CLUBS CONFINED TO CIPANGO CLUB, IMPERIAL CLUB, AND DALLAS HUNTING AND FISHING CLUB.

HILL DENIES KNOWLEDGE OF ANY OILMEN OR OTHER PERSONS WHO MIGHT HAVE CONTEMPLATED ANY VIOLENCE TOWARD MR. KENNEDY, DENIES ACQUAINTANCESHIP WITH JACK RUBY OR LEE OSWALD, AND DENIES ANY KNOWLEDGE OF THEIR ACTIVITIES.

FOLLOWING INTERVIEWS OF JOHN HENRY AND JO BETH HILL OSCAR S. WYATT, CHAIRMAN OF BOARD OF COASTAL STATES GAS PRODUCING COMPANY, HOUSTON AND CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS, WHO

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DESCRIBED HIMSELF AS AN INTIMATE PERSONAL FRIEND OF PRESIDENT LYNDON B. JOHNSON AND ADMIRER AND ACQUAINTANCE OF DECEASED PRESIDENT KENNEDY, VOLUNTEERED TO SA-S AS AN ACQUAINTANCE OF HILL THAT HE DESIRED TO POINT OUT THAT BOTH HAD PROMOTED THE KENNEDY CAMPAIGN WHEN KENNEDY PRE CONVENTION INTEREST WAS INITIALLY LACKING AND HAVE SINCE ADMIRERED KENNEDY AS A MAN AND HAVE SUPPORTED HIS ADMINISTRATION ALTHROUGH RECENTLY HAVING DIFFERED WITH SOME OF HIS PROCEDURAL POLICIES. WYATT EMPHASIZED THAT HE CURRENTLY HAS OIL INTERESTS IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE KENNEDY FAMILY AND THAT HE AND HILL WOULD HAVE TAKEN THE INITIATIVE THROUGH THEIR PERSONAL CONTACTS WITH CURRENT PRESIDENT JOHNSON AND OTHER MEMBERS OF THE KENNEDY ADMINISTRATION OF IMMEDIATELY PUTTING THEM ON NOTICE OF ANY REMARKS DETRIMENTAL TO THE SAFETY AND WELL BEING OF FORMER PRESIDENT KENNEDY AND PRESENT PRESIDENT JOHNSON. WYATT ALSO DESCRIBED HIMSELF AS A MEMBER OF THE QUOTE KENNEDY CLUB UNQUOTE AS DID HILL.

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