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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, NEW ORLEANS (94-448)

SUBJECT: CHANGED

ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY

RESEARCH (CORRESPONDENCE AND TOURS)
BUDED 12-9-63

[Re Bureau airtel to New Orleans, 11/29/63.]

On 11/29/63, [redacted] Equitable Equipment Company, 410 Camp Street, New Orleans, Louisiana, telephonically informed SAC HARRY G. MAYNOR that he had received in the mail copies of letters directed to the FBI in Washington, Senator RUSSELL B. LONG of La., and SA RICHARD E. BOBEY, Office of Compliance and Security, Federal Aviation Agency, Washington, D. C. He stated these had been sent to him in an envelope bearing the return address [redacted] New Orleans, La., and the letters indicated that they were written by [redacted]

On 11/29/63, [redacted] furnished Xerox copies of the three letters referred to above.

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[REDACTED] identified the person referred to as "VIRGINIA" in the letters referred to above as being Mrs. VIRGINIA FUZZETTE, a widow who resides at 8264 Maple Street, Apartment 3, New Orleans. He stated that she was a telephone operator at his company, and that while "she appears also to be nuts", she needed the work to support her child and there had been no indication that her job was in jeopardy. He stated that she was somewhat uneducated and would not know "left from right politically." [REDACTED] knew of no instance in which Mrs. FUZZETTE had claimed to be an FBI anti-communist agent or working for the FBI in any way. He added that he frankly did not believe her capable of being of any value to the FBI along these lines.]

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[The indices of the New Orleans revealed that Mrs. VIRGINIA FUZZETTE is not a source or potential informant of the New Orleans Division]

The following information concerning Mrs. FUZZETTE was found in the New Orleans file captioned, "ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY, NOVEMBER 22, 1963, DALLAS, TEXAS", New Orleans File 89-89. (Bureau File 62-109060)

An individual giving her name as Mrs. VIRGINIA FUZZETTE, 8204 Maple Street, Apartment 3, New Orleans, La., telephonically furnished the following information to SA TROY H. GIST at 9:15 AM, 11/25/63:

She stated that on Wednesday, 11/20/63, at about 11:50 AM, while she was on her way to church, she saw a man whom she now thinks may have been LEE OSWALD. This man was walking on Camp Street toward the Trade Mart in the direction of Poydras Street. He was alone, and she described him as about 24 years of age, small build, 5'8", sandy-colored, curly hair, and appeared feminine "like many of those you see in the French Quarter, New Orleans." She added he had a tanned complexion, dark eyebrows, was unusual looking, and was dressed in a green plaid shirt, short sleeves, brown trousers, brown shoes, and was not carrying anything, for his hands were in his pockets.

Mrs. FUZZETTE stated she was furnishing this information because she heard on television that OSWALD had been in New Orleans and used to be seen near the Trade Mart. She thought the above incident of possible assistance. She added that she was employed by Captain NEVILLE LEVY.

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410 Camp Street, but would prefer not to be contacted at her place of employment if any contact was necessary for any reason.

At 6:11 PM the same date, 11/25/63, Mrs. FUZZETTE again telephoned the New Orleans Office and advised SA TROY H. GIST at this time that she had just seen a photograph of OSWALD in the newspaper and one on television and that the man she saw on Camp Street on 11/20/63 was not OSWALD.

On 11/30/63, Mrs. FUZZETTE was interviewed concerning the allegation that she made statements indicating she was an informant for the FBI, and she furnished the following signed statement:

New Orleans, La.
November 30, 1963.

"I, Mrs. Virginia Barbier Fuzzette, make the following statements to Regis L. Kennedy and Lester G. Davis, who have identified themselves as Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. These statements are given freely and voluntarily and without threats or promises. I have been advised I do not have to make any statement and that these may be used against me in a court of law. I have also been advised I have the right to consult an attorney.

"I am employed as a switchboard operator at Equitable Equipment Company, New Orleans, La. I have been employed by this company for about 4 years.

"I am not now, nor have I ever been employed by The Federal Bureau of Investigation in any capacity. I have never considered myself an employee of the F.B.I., although I have on occasion volunteered information to the

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F.B.I., which I thought might be of interest to that Agency. I recall that during World War II I notified the F.B.I. that a girl named Marjorie Rose Gutekunst, who was a student at Eleanor McMain High School in New Orleans was wearing a ring with a swastika on it.

"On another occasion, about 1948, I wrote a letter to the F.B.I. advising that Christina Pobrica, who lives in Buras, La., and who sometimes stayed in New Orleans, had married a Russian. I can't recall his name.

"On a recent occasion, I telephoned the F.B.I. and advised that I thought I had seen Lee Oswald, who was suspected of killing President Kennedy, a few days earlier on Camp Street in New Orleans. I later saw the same man again and realized it could not have been Oswald, as he had, himself, been killed. I notified the F.B.I. of this.

"I am sure I have never said or indicated in any way that I was in the employ of the F.B.I. I may have mentioned to someone that I had reported the girl who had a swastika ring. I don't believe I have ever mentioned to someone else that I had reported other things to the F.B.I.

"I have read the above statements on this and one other page and they are true and correct.

"/s/ Mrs. Virginia Fuzzette"

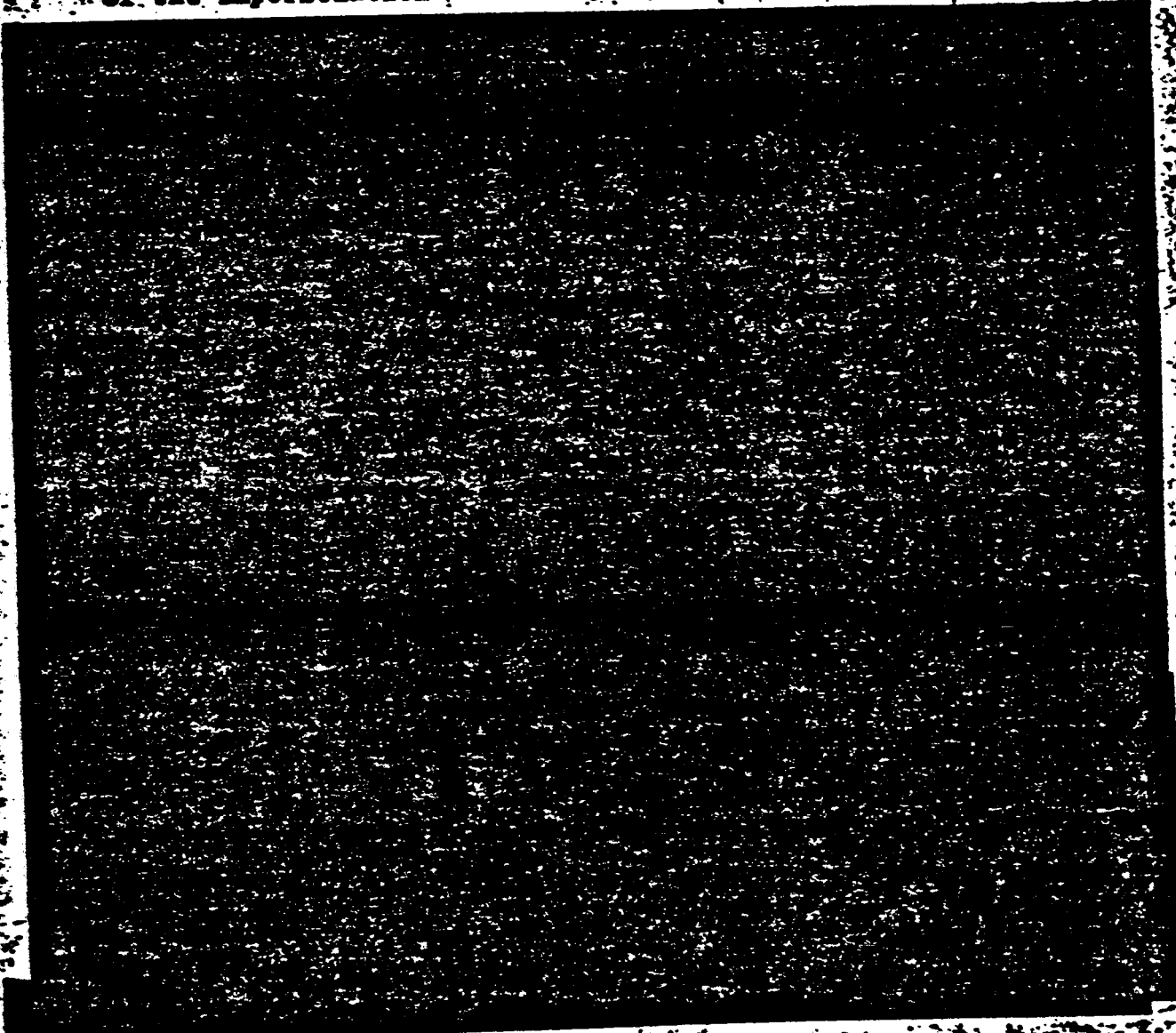
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Lester G. Davis, Special Agent, F.B.I., New Orleans,
11/30/63.

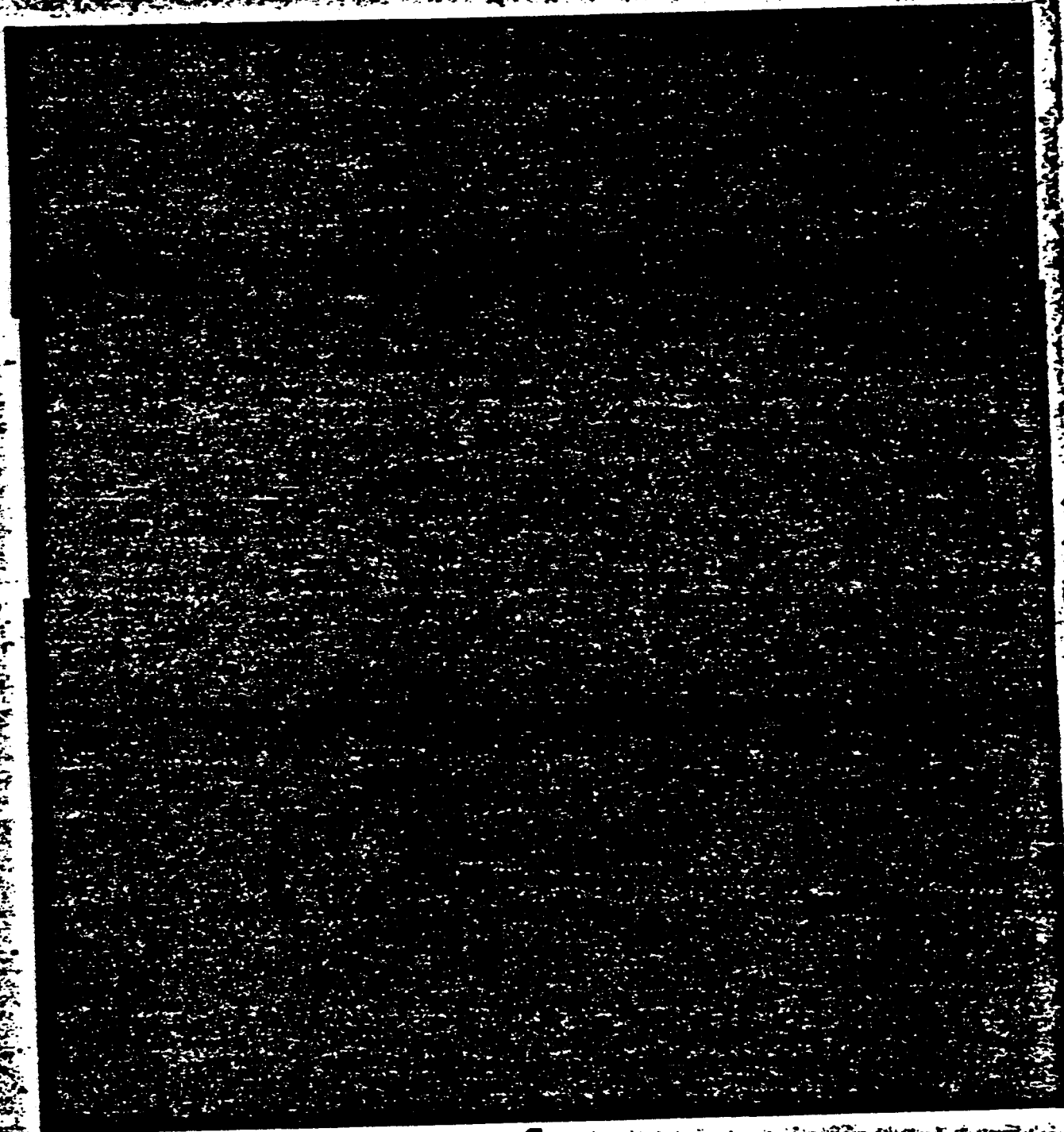
Regis L. Kennedy, Special Agent, F.B.I., New Orleans,
11/30/63.

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Mrs. FUZZETTE was instructed to avoid making any statement to anyone that would lead them to believe that she was either employed by the FBI or was a "special informant" for the FBI. She was apprised of the provisions of the Impersonation Statute.



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