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

RE SAN DIEGO LET TO BUREAU NINE FOURTEEN SIXTY THREE CAPTIONED

QUOTE HOWARD DANNER, THREAT AGAINST THE PRESIDENT UNQUOTE, ADVISING

DANNER REPORTEDLY CLAIMED TO POSSESS THE WEAPON THAT WOULD KILL

PRESIDENT KENNEDY. COMPLAINANT [REDACTED] STATED REMARK MADE IN

ANGER BECAUSE A NEGRO FAMILY HAD RECENTLY MOVEN INTO DANNER-S

NEIGHBORHOOD RESULTING IN THE DEPRECIATION OF DANNER-S PROPERTY

IN THE AMOUNT OF FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS FOR WHICH HE BLAMED THE

PRESIDENT.

AT ELEVEN FOURTEEN P. M. NOVEMBER TWENTY FOUR LAST [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] POWAY, CALIFORNIA,

TELEPHONICALLY FURNISHED THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION.

APPROXIMATELY THREE WEEKS AGC IN A DISCUSSION WITH FELLOW EMPLOYEES

AT GENERAL DYNAMICS ASTRONAUTICS, DANNER MENTIONED THE NAME QUOTE

OSWALD UNQUOTE. [REDACTED] ADDED THAT FOLLOWING THE REPORT OF THE

ASSASSINATION OF THE PRESIDENT DANNER APPEARED TO BE QUOTE

UNUSUALLY JOYFUL UNQUOTE.

UPON INTERVIEW NOVEMBER TWENTY FIVE INSTANT [REDACTED] SAID HE

WAS NOT INVOLVED IN ABOVE DISCUSSION BUT MERELY OVERHEARD THE REMARK.

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DISCUSSION WAS POLITICAL IN NATURE AND DANNER WAS CRITICAL OF THE PRESIDENT-S FISCAL POLICY. [REDACTED] OVERHEARD DANNER SAY SOMETHING TO THE EFFECT THAT QUOTE OSWALD KNOWS UNQUOTE. [REDACTED] INTERRUPTED THE DISCUSSION AND ASKED DANNER IF HE WAS REFERRING TO OSWALD MOSLEY DESCRIBED BY [REDACTED] AS A CONTROVERSIAL FIGURE IN ENGLAND. DANNER REPLIED THAT HE WAS NOT AND THAT OSWALD WAS THE SURNAME.

[REDACTED] UNABLE TO FURNISH ANY ADDITIONAL DETAILS CONCERNING DISCUSSION, OR IDENTITY OF PARTICIPANTS HOWEVER STATED THEY WERE IN SAME DEPARTMENT AS DANNER.

DANNER ADVISED ON INTERVIEW ON NOVEMBER TWENTY FIVE THAT HIS FULL NAME IS JOSEPH HOWARD DANNER BORN JANUARY THIRTEEN NINETEEN THIRTY ONE AT SAN DIEGO. HE RESIDES TWO FOUR ZERO ONE BALBOA VISTA DRIVE, SAN DIEGO. DANNER ADMITTED MAKING REMARK CONCERNING POSSESSION OF WEAPON THAT WOULD KILL PRESIDENT KENNEDY. REMARK MADE IN SEPTEMBER NINETEEN SIXTY THREE. HE STATED REMARK MADE IN ANGER OVER INFILTRATION OF HIS NEIGHBORHOOD BY A NEGRO FAMILY. HE STATED WEAPON REFERRED TO IS AN M DASH ONE RIFLE HE OBTAINED FROM HIS FATHER-S HOUSE UPON THE DEATH OF HIS FATHER IN NINETEEN FIFTY SIX. ALTHOUGH ADMITTING THE STATEMENT DANNER DENIED ANY INTENTION OF CARRYING OUT THREAT. DANNER ADMITTED BEING A MEMBER OF THE JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY, STATED HE DID NOT LIKE KENNEDY, DID NOT AGREE WITH KENNEDY-S POLICIES AND WAS VERY OUTSPOKEN IN HIS CRITICISMS OF HIM. DANNER SAID THAT FELLOW EMPLOYEES BEING AWARE OF HIS POLITICAL ANTAGONISM TOWARD PRESIDENT KENNEDY AND HIS POLICIES OFTEN GOADED HIM INTO POLITICAL ARGUMENTS. DANNER SAID HE DOES NOT CONDONE ANY VIOLENCE BUT BELIEVES ONLY IN LEGAL POLITICAL ACTION TO BRING ABOUT CHANGE. DANNER STATED HE WAS INTERVIEWED

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IN SEPTEMBER SIXTY THREE BY A REPRESENTATIVE OF SECRET SERVICE.

DANNER DENIED EVER BEING IN DALLAS TEXAS AND ALSO DENIED ANY KNOWLEDGE OF OR CONNECTION WITH LEE HARVEY OSWALD OR JACK LEE RUBY. HE ALSO DENIED HAVING ANY INFORMATION CONCERNING THE ASSASSINATION OTHER THAN WHAT HE HAS OBTAINED THROUGH NEW MEDIA. HE EMPHATICALLY DENIED ENGAGING IN ANY DISCUSSION WHEREIN HE OR ANY OTHER PARTICIPANT MENTIONED THE NAME OSWALD.

[REDACTED] ESTABLISHED THAT DANNER DEFINITELY AT WORK AT TIME OF ASSASSINATION.

DANNER DESCRIBED AS WMA, FIVE FEET NINE INCHES, ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY FIVE POUNDS, BROWN HAIR, BLUE EYES, WIFE DOLLY DOLORES, FOUR MINOR CHILDREN.

ADMINISTRATIVE. [REDACTED] UNABLE TO IDENTIFY BY NAME PERSONS INVOLVED IN DISCUSSION IN WHICH DANNER ALLEGEDLY MENTIONED THE NAME OSWALD. HE WILL ATTEMPT TO IDENTIFY THEM BY THEIR LOCATION IN THE DEPARTMENT WHEN THEY RETURN TO WORK.

THESE PERSONS WILL BE INTERVIEWED ON NOVEMBER TWENTY SIX.

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