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To the Director of the
Federal Bureau of Investigation
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Dear Sir:

The purpose of this letter is to indicate to you some facts which may be important in clearing up the assassination of President KENNEDY.

First of all, I must tell you that I am not a police investigator and that I am only a judiciary functionary with 27 years experience, and also that I do not have sufficient proof to be able to make any charges, but I believe that it is my duty as a Cuban, aware of what we owe to President KENNEDY and to the government and the people of the United States, I believe that it is my duty, I repeat, to present some facts and deductions which, when duly investigated by the F.B.I., might be able to shed some light on a crime which, in my opinion, in addition to being unjustified, was considered by its authors to be the spark capable of causing the explosion of this great nation.

FACTS: On the 22nd of this month, as President KENNEDY was receiving the clamorous and affectionate applause of about 250,000 persons in Dallas, Texas, he was killed by two shots fired in his forehead and his neck. The shots were fired from the 6th floor of a building by LEE H. OSWALD, apparently alone, from an Italian-make non-automatic Mauser. Immediately afterwards, OSWALD left the rifle in the room from which he had fired it, went to the street, took a bus and later a taxi, and headed for the room which he had rented in the home of Mrs. JOINSON. There, he picked up a jacket and a pistol, went out on the street again, where, as Officer TIPPY tried to question him, he fired three shots at the latter's head, chest and stomach, shots from which he died. Thereupon, OSWALD entered a movie, where his nervousness aroused the suspicion of an employee, who notified the police. When the police arrived, OSWALD grabbed the pistol and aimed it at the head of the officer who tried to arrest him, but was unable to fire because the pistol stuck and

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he was arrested. He confessed that he was a Communist, a follower of CASTRO, a leader of the Fair Play for Cuba Committee, but he denied having killed the President. Two days later, as he was being transferred to the County Jail, JACK RUBY killed him in the cellar of the City Jail, where he happened to be. RUBY had a room close to that of OSWALD and was connected with Communist elements of Dallas.

OSWALD purchased the Mauser by mail, using a false name, and had a sight put on it. Two weeks ago, he had applied for a job in the building from which he committed the crime. And the schedule of the President through Texas had been established about 30 days earlier. It seems that OSWALD was in Mexico at the end of September, and he had some connections with the Cuban Embassy, and some rather close connections at least with SILVIA DURAN, employee of the Cuban Consulate in Mexico. And ever since his arrival from Russia he does not seem to have done any work, yet, in addition to having rented the aforementioned room, he also rented a house in Dallas, in which he lived with his family--a wife and two children.

I. Analysis of LEE H. OSWALD's conduct before, during and after the assassination.

The first question is: Did he act alone or was he part of a plot in which others were involved? The correct answer will be given by that magnificent group of investigators on whom this nation relies for its internal security: the F.B.I. But we can state beforehand that we do not believe that he acted alone, for the following reasons:

a) Generally, a person who decides to commit an act of this sort is not resigned to remaining unknown and anonymous. Whenever a psychopathic personality is involved, he aspires to have his act made known. The assassin builds himself up in his mind as a martyr for a cause which he considers noble and lofty, for which he is sacrificing his life, so he wants the whole world to know of his martyrdom and this causes him to proclaim to the whole world that he did it.

Because, on the one hand, a psychopath of this sort fears that his attempt might fail, and because, on the other hand, he is not interested in escaping, he carries out his attack at close range in order to make sure that the desired result is obtained.

OSWALD prepared the assassination calmly and coolly.

He ordered the rifle by mail under an assumed name.

He obtained a job in the building which turned out to be excellent for carrying out the act.

He practised, because otherwise, it is hard to imagine that he would have had the precision for firing in such a short space of time: 5 seconds from the first shot to the last. That is assuming that he acted alone, which is still to be proved.

The ballistics test will determine whether all the shots were fired by the same rifle: the one that was seized.

If OSWALD was the only one who fired, he needed training prior to the attack, which would enable him to fire with the speed he did, which does not seem possible or probable with a Mauser such as the one used.

After committing the deed, he headed for Mrs. JOHNSON's guest house. As he got on the bus, he joked about the assassination. Then he got off the bus and took a taxi to go to his room. There, he picked up his jacket and pistol and left again. He was nervous, and when he met up with TIPPY, he killed him and entered a movie, where he behaved so nervously that he aroused the suspicions of the employee. And when he was arrested by the police, he exclaimed: "The time has come!"

He appears to be two different men: the one who planned and carried out the attack, calm and master of himself, and the one who got off the bus and arrived at the house nervous and unable to control himself. Was it because those who were to take care of his escape abandoned him and this caused him to lose his calm?

Is it possible to think that a man who had prepared the assassination so carefully did not think about his escape?

Also, why didn't he remain in the guest house?

Why didn't he leave the city if he was afraid of being identified?

Why did he get off the bus and take a taxi? Was it because he was looking for those who were to protect him and they had failed him, under which circumstances he lost his head? When he was arrested, he admitted having killed the officer, and yet he denied having participated in the assassination of the

President, notwithstanding the obvious proofs which existed in that respect. He purchased the rifle under an assumed name by mail; the handwriting in the letter proves his identity; the prints of the palms of his hand were on it; he was photographed with the rifle; the rifle was recognized by his wife; there was a statement from the one who put the sight on it for him; and then there was positive proof from the paraffin test.

This stubborn denial is not characteristic of a psychopathic and fanatical assassin who would have boasted about the act he committed and the greatest tortures could not have dragged from him the number of accomplices, which he did not have. Especially, it is not possible to conceive his denying that he acted alone when the killing of the police officer meant the death penalty for him.

Why deny it then? The only reason seems to be that of avoiding questions about his accomplices, which would have continued had he confessed his participation and which would surely have caused him to inform and to reveal his accomplices.

There is another detail, which I was not able to notice, but which was called to my attention by two Cubans, one of them a well-known criminal lawyer, which is that when RUBY approached him and the latter saw him, it was noticed that he recognized him from the look he gave him. One of these Cubans said that he looked happy, and the other, that he looked frightened. A projection of the film would enable one to see whether this is so or not.

In connection with his person, it should be stressed that he was a Communist and that he was in Russia for three years. When he returned, he joined the Fair Play for Cuba Committee, a Castro-Communist front organization. He tried to join the Revolutionary Student Directory as an instructor.

He was not known to have any job, and yet he supported his family, and in addition to a house, he had a room in the house of Mrs. JOHNSON. Who paid his expenses?

And he looked for a job in the building which he used for the attack only two weeks earlier and when the schedule of the President's tour through Texas was already known.

2. Intervention of JACK RUBY.

Concerning this man, I know only that he was 52 years old, that he owns two night clubs, one of which is a burlesque, that he has always lived a little outside the law, that he had a room close to that of OSWALD and that he was closely connected with the Communists of Dallas.

RUBY claims that he committed the act because his mind was confused by his grief after seeing the President killed before his eyes.

We do not believe it possible that RUBY acted under the emotional state which he claims: first of all, because it is not characteristic for a man of his age to act under an emotional state which deprives him of self-control; secondly, this is even less likely for a person who, because of his business, was used to dealing with criminals and base persons with low morals, which would oblige him to keep himself under control, so this makes it unlikely that he would have lost his head when he saw the assassin of the President; thirdly, RUBY saw OSWALD in the central police station the very day of the assassination. That was the time when he probably could have lost his self-control and done something, but quite to the contrary, he was so calm that he distributed cards advertising his night club and even gave one to the Dallas government prosecutor. And fourthly, when he was seen on television, he did not look excited or disturbed, but rather, he appeared very calm and walked forward step by step, without attracting anyone's attention, and pulled out his weapon only when he was in front of OSWALD, so that it would be impossible to prevent him from doing what he was about to do. There is no emotional instability whatsoever in the way he acted.

In addition, he denies knowing OSWALD at all, and yet, the latter was not only his neighbor but was also very much connected with the Communists.

The deduction is that RUBY has been used in the general plot to silence the assassin of the President, so that all who participated in the deed may not be known and so that the political nature of the assassination may not be revealed.

8. Responsibility of Castro-Communism.

On the basis of deductions and considerations, and not on the basis of direct proofs, we believe that Castro-Communism is responsible for the assassination of President KENNEDY, and for this belief we base ourselves on the following:

a) The author, LEE H. OSWALD, is a Communist sympathizer of CASTRO; that is to say, within the ideological line which today appears to separate the Communist world, he belongs to the hard line, or the Chinese way of thinking, which is attacking in India, in Vietnam and in all of Asia, and to the Castro way of thinking, which is attacking in Venezuela, Colombia and in practically all of America.

OSWALD is a member of the Fair Play for Cuba Committee, a Communist front organization dedicated to the defense of Castro-Communism.

Besides, it appears certain, and the F.B.I. will find out whether this was really so, that OSWALD was in Mexico and that he was in touch with the Cuban Embassy, and especially with SILVIA DURAN, employee of the Cuban Consulate, with whom, according to the opinion of the Mexican police, he had intimate relations. This happened at the end of September of this year.

It has been stated by CASTRO that he was denied the visa which he requested in order to go to Cuba. Now the question is why should CASTRO have denied a visa for Cuba to one who had spent three years in Russia, who had married a Russian woman and who, upon returning to the United States, joined the Fair Play for Cuba Committee, distributed pro-CASTRO propaganda in New Orleans, and showed that he was a loyal and sincere follower of Castro-Communism?

The refusal to grant the visa could have only two explanations: They did not want OSWALD to go to Cuba to discuss the case and to compromise CASTRO, by thus acting independently of those who dealt with him in Mexico or the United States, or else, he wanted to prepare his escape through Cuba and CASTRO would not agree to that, for the fact that the person who might be accused of assassinating President KENNEDY took refuge in Cuba, would be very compromising.

b) Some days earlier, during the first week of September, at a reception held in the Brazilian Embassy in Cuba, FIDEL CASTRO uttered the following threats, which were certainly

not very diplomatic, but which can be explained, from what has been said, by the fact that he was very drunk: "The governors in the United States should take care, for if they are helping terrorist plans in order to kill those who are governing in Cuba, they, themselves, are probably not safe."

And some months earlier, on May 2 of this same year, the newspaper "Revolucion" published an article, signed by SOFOCLES, entitled "Radiograph of President KENNEDY", in which it was predicted that the President was to die soon for the good of humanity. A prediction which could not possibly have been made without knowing of the existence of some plan on his life, since he was a young man, 46 years of age, in excellent health, who was bothered only by the wound obtained in the war.

c) The technique used is exactly like that of the so-called "bogotazo", which took place in the Colombian capital on April 9, 1948. On that day, JORGE ELIECER GAITAN, leader of the Liberal Party, was assassinated in Bogota, and this caused a riot of such proportions that it cost more than a thousand lives and was about to overthrow the President of the Republic. Let us refer, though briefly, to the riot in Bogota. Among the foreign Communist leaders involved in the conspiracy ALBERTO NINO, Chief of the Security Division of Colombia, indicated BLAS ROCA and FIDEL CASTRO.

According to the testimony of WILLIAM PAWLEY, delegate from the United States to the Inter-American Conference, CASTRO participated in the death of GAITAN. And the day that these events took place, General MARSHALL heard the following over the radio: "This is the Cuban, FIDEL CASTRO, speaking. This is a Communist revolution. The President is dead; all the military posts are already in our hands; the Navy has capitulated and the revolution has triumphed."

And it is to be observed that PAWLEY, himself, said: "The Communist who killed GAITAN expected to be protected, as he withdrew, by men well-armed with machine guns."

A few minutes after the assassination of GAITAN, thousands of leaflets were distributed throughout Bogota, with no less than 6 different types of lettering and perfectly dry ink, which said: "The murderous government of OSPINA PEREZ, which ordered one of its bewitching little butcher boys to kill the great leader of Colombian democracy, JORGE ELIECER GAITAN, is now trying to make the people swallow the most hateful and vile slander and is accusing the Communists of this monstrous attack."

ROA, the presumed killer, was done away with, so that he could not talk and inform on his accomplices.

In short, a liberal leader is assassinated in order to blame the crime on the conservative government. A favorable moment was chosen, when the Colombian Army was at its lowest level because of replacements and also when of the 2,000 men who should have been in Bogota, 1,400 were far away on military maneuvers. And finally, ROA, the presumed killer is put out of the way so that they could be sure that he could not talk and inform on his accomplices.

In the assassination of KENNEDY, a liberal leader, who because of his policy in defense of civil rights is the target for the criticism and the political passion of the rightists, is killed, so that the extremists in the Republican Party can be blamed for the repugnant crime.

The place chosen is Texas, a Southern state, where there are not many Communists and where feelings run high because of political reasons, and the city, Dallas, where Ambassador STEVENSON was attacked some days earlier.

Thus, there is an attempt to attribute the assassination to his political opponents and to have the Republican Party held responsible for this very serious act.

OSWALD was abandoned without being provided the means to escape, and he was later killed so that he could not talk. OSWALD, like ROA who sought in the crowd the ones who were to protect him, sought in vain in the streets of Dallas those who were to hide him, but they never appeared until RUBY approached him in the cellar of the City Jail in order to kill him.

CASTRO is involved in this case exactly as he was in Bogota, and in the same way, without anyone's accusing him, he hastened to blame the rightists for the crime on the 23rd, and he repeated the charge on the 27th.

d) Reason for the assassination: President KENNEDY was assassinated because he was a staunch defender of Democracy and Liberty. He was an idealist, whose ideas could be disputed but which had to be respected for their spiritual content. He was the antithesis of CASTRO from the point of view of education, manners and virtue. In addition to considering him his direct opposite, CASTRO realized that he had in him his most fearful enemy. In addition to the constant references by the President

to the Cuban question, his promise that Cuba would not be abandoned, and his generosity to the Cuban exiles, the scornful silence with which he received CASTRO's insults, his clean executorship and his talent angered CASTRO. That is surely why he planned to get rid of the President, to kill him, and thus to free himself of the person he most feared, but also, if he succeeded in having the death attributed to the Republican Party, he thought he would thereby create a great division among the people of the United States which would make it impossible for the United States to act in Cuba and in Latin America, so that he could take over the government in Venezuela, which is the immediate objective of Castro-Communism in this country.

The words of President KENNEDY on freedom, social justice and human dignity aroused in the citizens of America and of the whole world the feeling of responsibility in this fight, for in order for Democracy and Liberty to last in the world, it is essential for each one of us to be aware of his duty, the duty of every human being which cannot be transferred or avoided, to fight constantly and every day to preserve in our world the ideas of good manners, social justice and Christian morality, with which we have grown up and developed into worthy and happy human beings.

Therefore, immediately after the event occurred, even though no one had accused him, he hastened to proclaim his innocence and to make his first charge against the Republican Party on the 23rd, a charge which he repeated on the 27th, declaring that the authors of the assassination had plans against peace, Cuba, the Soviet Union, mankind in general, and the progressive and liberal sectors of the United States. A little later in the same speech, he said: "In the eyes of the world, it is obvious that the reactionaries in the United States want to make us victims of their criminal designs, even at the cost of assassinating the President of their country."

Of course, the maneuver did not have, nor could it have the effect desired, thanks to the spirit of solidarity and patriotism of the people of this nation, who, in spite of their political differences, are Americans first and foremost, and who rally around the men in their government whenever there is some crisis or some difficulty.

The responsibility of Castro-Communism is evident to us. CASTRO, who characterizes his government, is a curious combination of Communist, gangster and paranoic. Thus no person or thing can stand in his way when he decides to get something. There are no

laws or principles for his actions. From beginning to end, his conduct is governed by the immoral precept that the end justifies the means.

Thus we see that when he was a student, he participated in the assassination of university students FERNANDEZ CAROL and MANUEL CASTRO. In addition to the many shootings which he ordered in the Sierra, he ordered the killing of VENEREO, whom he feared, because he was a gangster like himself.

We all know what is going on in the government of Cuba, but this is not confined to the territorial limits of our country. He violates international law, whenever he finds it convenient to do so, as occurred in the case of the Cubans who had fled from the Island and had taken refuge on Cayo Anguila; after landing his soldiers, he had these fugitives kidnapped, without paying the least attention to the fact that they were on English territory. In the same way, he recently stopped and searched, in international waters, a ship flying the Honduran flag, and a few weeks ago, his planes fired upon another merchant ship, flying the Liberian flag, as it sailed in international waters.

In order to paralyze the elections in Venezuela, after the assassination of President KENNEDY, he sent gift packages containing bombs to three presidential candidates, an attempt on their lives which just happened to be thwarted by mere chance. He behaves in this fashion, even when the victims are men he does not even know, or merely relatives or servants without any connection with politics.

His goal is to produce subversion throughout America and to bring all the nations of this continent under the control of Castro-Communism, beginning with Venezuela, whose oil deposits are essential to him, and continuing then with Colombia and Brazil, which would give him the Panama Canal and the land he needs.

Two years ago, he declared that the Andes would be the Sierra Maestra of South America. And a few months ago, he predicted that during this year of 1963, Venezuela and Guatemala would fall into his hands. And the constant and savage attack to which he has subjected Venezuela reveals that his words were not just idle boasts but real threats.

Right now, the Venezuelan Castrists (it is well-known that in addition to supplying arms and training men, the plans for the subversion of Venezuela are being made in Cuba) have issued the savage order to fire at and kill any person, man, woman or child, who leaves his house and is found in the streets of Venezuelan cities.

And Castro-Communism uses terror not only as a method for taking over the power but as a method of government, which is due to the course taken by LENIN in his revolution. Thus, Communist rulers, from STALIN to CASTRO, are obliged to preserve the system of internal warfare, and its essential characteristics, against the people itself, in order to prevent it from rebelling against the oppression, and of external warfare against the non-Communist nations, in order to try to obtain their submission by force, in view of their example, their progress and their civilization, which is fatal to the Communist world of slavery and poverty, which can be appreciated with no need for philosophic dissertations by merely observing East and West Germany and Cuba, before and after the advent of Castro-Communism in power, for it was converted from one of the most prosperous and advanced nations in the world into a nation which has no clothing, no shoes, a nation which does not care for its sick for lack of medicines, a nation which barely eats because it has no food.

So long as Castro-Communism remains in power in Cuba, no American nation will enjoy peace and no American governor can feel calm, for among other things, he will have to travel with a heavy guard as if he were a tyrant and not as the democratic presidents of this continent have gone about, like simple citizens of their respective countries, counting on the affection and the respect of their fellow-citizens.

If President KENNEDY who gave all the American people absolute liberty and real democracy could not escape the bullets of the assassin and sanguinary Castro-Communism, in spite of the power of this great nation, what can the Latin American presidents expect?

I write to you, not as a Cuban who has seen his whole life destroyed, as he has had to abandon his home, his family and his country after being forced to give up his position as judiciary functionary of 27 years standing when he had reached the pinnacle of Cuban judicial power, and who has likewise had to resign from his position as Professor of Law at the University of Havana and the position of President of the Sugar Arbitration Commission. I write to you, not as a Cuban who has felt in his own flesh the most sanguinary and oppressive tyranny that can be imagined. I write to you, not as a Cuban who is trying to stir up this nation in order thus to obtain the liberation of our country. No! I write to you as a confirmed democrat, as a Christian and as a human being, as a person and not as a beast into which Communism changes men. I write to you, asking you to

check on what I have suggested, since the presence of Castro-Communism in Cuba, I repeat, is a danger so great that so long as it enslaves Cuba there will be no economic security on the continent, for economic security depends on political stability, nor can any of the chiefs of state on this continent or throughout the world feel tranquil and secure, unless they live the way the tyrant does, the tyrant who has filled our country with blood and misery and hopes to do the same with all of America.

Either Cuba will be the tomb of Communism or Liberty and Democracy will disappear forever from the face of this planet.

Respectfully yours,
(Signed) J. GARCERAN

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