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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (62-¹⁰⁹⁰⁶~~10969~~)
FROM: SAC, HOUSTON (62-2115)
SUBJECT: LEE HARVEY OSWALD, Aka. (DECEASED)
ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN F.
KENNEDY, DALLAS, TEXAS, 11/22/63
AFO

MISCELLANEOUS - JOHN E. KING

RE: WFO airtel to the Bureau, dated 12/2/63.

Enclosed for Philadelphia is one copy of airtel of reference.

AT PORT ARTHUR, TEXAS

On 12/9/63, ELSIE BERNARD, 523 Galveston Avenue, and PETE BLANCHARD, 440 5th Street, WALTER M. BUHEL, 440 6th Street, advised that they were former acquaintances of JOHN ERNEST KING who left Port Arthur, Texas, after retiring as a merchant seaman in March, 1963, and they believe he is presently residing at 218 Market Street, Marcus Hook, Pennsylvania.

They advised that they know nothing unfavorable concerning KING and that they believe him to be a person of good moral character, a loyal citizen and one who associates with people of good reputation.

On 12/9/63, BEN JOHNSON, Secretary, National Maritime Union, 330 6th Street, advised that J. E. KING, Z #57574-D, born 3/1/98, retired as a merchant seaman in March, 1963, and all records concerning him are located at the National Maritime Union Pension Welfare, 346 West 17th Street, New York, New York.

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Investigation revealed that the address of 440 6th Street in Port Arthur, Texas is the address of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Club, and that KING used this address as his Port Arthur mailing address.

The following investigation was conducted by SA FRANK M. IVEY on 12-9-63:

AT GALENA PARK, TEXAS

Mrs. FLORENCE WILLIAMS, Dispatcher, Galena Park Police Department, advised she had no record identifiable with JOHN ERNEST KING.

AT PASADENA, TEXAS

[REDACTED], Credit Bureau of Pasadena (handles credit investigation for Galena, Park, Texas) advised she had no record on file identifiable with JOHN ERNEST KING.

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AT MARCUS HOOK, PENNSYLVANIA:

Will locate and interview JOHN ERNEST KING regarding instant matter.