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[REDACTED]
Coventry, Rhode Island

On December 26, 1963, Trooper Harvey Simmons, Wickford Barracks, Rhode Island State Police, advised that at 6:45 a.m., December 25, 1963, Trooper William Strain received a phone call from a man who identified himself as [REDACTED], Coventry, Rhode Island. Trooper Simmons advised that a record of the call reflected that the caller sounded intoxicated and spoke incoherently and about all that was gained from the conversation was something about "Assassination" and the caller's attempting to contact FBI Agent Johnny Cool. The records reflect that Trooper Simmons contacted Coventry, Rhode Island Police Department and requested that that Department determine what the caller was trying to relate.

On December 26, 1963, Chief Gareld Shippee, Coventry, Rhode Island Police Department, advised that he had received a call from Wickford Barracks, Rhode Island State Police, relative to [REDACTED] and his call to Rhode Island State Police at 6:45 a.m., December 25, 1963.

Chief Shippee advised that the subject is a "nut" and was picked up [REDACTED] Coventry, about 6:30 a.m., December 25, 1963, and at that time [REDACTED] advised that he knew all about the Assassination of President Kennedy, but that the presence of "death rays" prevented him from telling me of the details that he knew. He said that [REDACTED] had made no threats against anyone's life and was attempting to contact FBI Agent Tony Galenie, Badge No. 785.

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Chief Shippee stated that he had known [redacted] for many years and had always considered him to be a slow, stupid, below-average person and that his only education was in elementary schools where he did poorly.

He stated that he had always considered [redacted] and his family extremely law-abiding people and [redacted] a quiet, harmless individual. He stated that subject had been working in New Hampshire, but recently lost his job and has returned home.

Chief Shippee advised that since seeing subject recently, he believed that [redacted] mental condition may be worsening, although still harmless; and he so advised [redacted] family. His family advised that they will seek medical assistance for subject.

Chief Shippee provided the following description of [redacted]

Sex	Male
Race	White
Age	About 35 years.
Nationality	American
Height	Approximately 5'7"
Weight	180-190 lbs.
Build	Stocky
Hair	Dark Brown

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