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URGENT 11-23-63 12-45 PM POC

DIRECTOR, AND SACS DALLAS, EL PASO, MEMPHIS,  
MOBILE, AND NEW ORLEANS

FROM SAC, NEW YORK

UNSUBS.. ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY, NOVEMBER  
'TWENTY TWO SIXTY THREE, DALLAS, TEXAS.

BARRY GRAY, RADIO COMMENTATOR, STATION WMCA, FOUR ONE FIVE

MADISON AVE., NYC, TELEPHONICALLY NOTIFIED NYO, APPROXIMATELY

ONE THIRTY AM, HE HAD RECEIVED A TELEPHONE CALL FROM ONE

JAMES F. RIZZUTO WHO ALLEGED THAT HE HAD INFORMATION RE ONE

YVES LEANDEZ, A CLOSE ASSOCIATE OF LEE H. OSWALD. TEXAS USSR

GRAY WITH ASSISTANCE OF ROGER W. TURNER, DIRECTOR OF  
PUBLIC AFFAIRS, WMCA WERE ABLE TO SET UP MEET WITH RIZZUTO WHERE  
HE GAVE FOLLOWING INFORMATION TO BU AGENTS..

RIZZUTO STATED THAT HE, YVES LEANDEZ, LEE H. OSWALD AND  
POSSIBLY ONE EARL PERRY SERVED TOGETHER IN US MARINE CORPS

IN NINETEEN FIFTY SIX AT CAMP LE JEUNE, AND BARSTOV, CAL. UPON

DISCHARGE FROM MARINE CORPS, RIZZUTO STATED THAT HE RECEIVED CARDS

AND LETTERS FROM LEANDEZ POSTMARKED STOCKHOLM, MOSCOW AND

POSSIBLY LENNINGRAD, RUSSIA. RIZZUTO UNDERSTOOD THAT OSWALD,

LEANDEZ, AND POSSIBLY PERRY WERE TRAVELING TOGETHER THROUGHOUT

EUROPE. RIZZUTO STATED THAT HE HAD MET LEANDEZ IN FLORIDA

NINETEEN SIXTY ONE AND LATER SAME YEAR IN NYC. RIZZUTO

DESCRIBED LEANDEZ AS A CLOSE PERSONAL FRIEND OF OSWALD AND BOTH

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MR. BELMONT FOR THE DIRECTOR

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WERE PROFESSIONAL AGITATORS WHO ATTENDED MEETINGS OF THE AMERICAN JEWISH CONGRESS AND OTHER ORGANIZATIONS AND TRIED TO DISRUPT MEETINGS. RIZZUTO STATED HE THOUGHT BOTH OSWALD AND LEANDEZ BELONGED TO AN ORGANIZATION POSSIBLY CALLED QUOTE STATES RIGHTS PARTY ENQUOTE. U.S.

RIZZUTO ALSO STATED THAT BOTH LEANDEZ AND OSWALD WORKED AT ONE TIME FOR AN <sup>FIRST NAME UNKNOWN</sup> FNU REGAN FROM MEMPHIS, TENN. WHO APPEARED TO Baffix 1923-1928 FURNISH MONEY TO LEANDEZ TO ACT AS PROFESSIONAL AGITATOR. REGAN DESCRIBED AS SIX FEET FOUR INCHES, TWO FIVE ZERO LBS., HEAVY BUILD, GRUFF VOICE, AGE THIRTY FIVE TO FORTY YRS. RIZZUTO STATED LEANDEZ STAYED WITH REGAN FOR A SHORT PERIOD AT ROOSEVELT HOTEL IN EARLY NINETEEN SIXTY ONE.

RIZZUTO STATED LEANDEZ HAD BRAGGED THAT NAACP LEADER, AARON HENRY IN MISSISSIPPI WAS GOING TO BE ASSASSINATED. WHEN NEWSPAPERS CARRIED STORY OF SHOOTING OF MEDGAR EVERS IN MISSISSIPPI, LEANDEZ APPEARED DISTURBED, ACCORDING TO RIZZUTO, SINCE HIS PREDICTION OF HENRY/S DEATH HAD NOT COME TRUE. RIZZUTO ALSO RELATED THAT WITHIN LAST MONTH HE HAD HEARD LEANDEZ STATE THAT A WHITE, PRIEST IN SELMA, ALABAMA WHO RAN A SCHOOL FOR NEGROS WAS GOING TO BE LYNCHED. RIZZUTO STATED THAT ASSASSINATION OF PRIEST MAY BE SCHEDULED FOR LATTER PART OF DECEMBER, ACCORDING TO LEANDEZ.  
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RIZZUTO STATED THAT HE SAW LEANDEZ ON NOVEMBER ONE NINE LAST WHICH TIME LEANDEZ STATED THAT LEE OSWALD AND EARL PERRY QUOTE WERE TOGETHER AGAIN IN TEXAS ENQUOTE. RIZZUTO STATED PERRY IS FROM EL PASO, TEXAS AND ALLEGEDLY WORKS FOR AN ORGANIZATION WHICH DISTRIBUTES ANTI MEXICAN PROPOGANDAM

RIZZUTO STATED THAT HE HAD NEVER HEARD LEANDEZ MENTION PRESIDENT KENNEDY OR ANY OTHER POLITICAL FIGURES AS POSSIBLE ASSASSINATION VICTIMS. RIZZUTO DESCRIBED LEANDEZ AS WHITE, MALE, AGE TWENTY THREE - TWENTY FIVE YRS, FIVE FEET TEN INCHES, ONE SIX FIVE LBS., MUSCULAR BUILD, WEARS QUOTE HANDLE-BAR ENQUOTE MUSTACHE, AND ORIGINALLY FROM WIGGINS, MISS. RIZZUTO UNABLE TO FURNISH DESCRIPTION OF PERRY.

RIZZUTO STATED HE ALSO TALKED TO ONE LINDA HALPERN, AT STUDENT AT CITY COLLEGE, NYC WHO STATED SHE SAW LEANDEZ ON NOVEMBER TWO ZERO LAST AT WEST END CAFE, TWO NINE ONE ONE BROADWAY, NYC. RIZZUTO FURNISHED NUMEROUS ADDITIONAL HANGOUTS AND NAMES OF PERSONS WHO MIGHT KNOW WHEREABOUTS OF LEANDEZ.

NYO MAKING EVERY POSSIBLE EFFORT TO LOCATE LEANDEZ AND FURTHER DEVELOP INFORMATION FURNISHED BY RIZZUTO.

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NO SPECIFIC LEADS BEING SET OUT FOR EL PASO, MEMPHIS,  
BILE AND NEW ORLEANS OFFICES AT THIS TIME UNTIL FURTHER INFORMATION  
DEVELOPED THROUGH INTERROGATION OF LEANDEZ.

END AND ACK

12-59PM NY R 5 WA REM

CC-MR. ROSEN

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*Field being instructed*  
*to locate and interview*  
*all of these individuals*

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