

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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TO : Mr. Callahan

DATE: 1-14-64

FROM : L. J. Gauthier

SUBJECT: ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY  
AND THE KILLING OF LEE HARVEY OSWALD  
VISUAL AIDS

The Director on 1-11-64 spent one hour going over the visual aids prepared in connection with captioned matter. He sought the answers to many questions concerning the movement of the motorcade, the shooting scenes, location of eyewitnesses, position of assassin and assailant, etc. The Director firmly believes that the FBI should turn over full custody of these visual aids to the Commission as soon as possible in order that inquiries concerning these exhibits can be referred directly to Chairman Warren, particularly requests from news media to publicize the "new development" and the possible interest of the State of Texas and/or the defense in the scale model of the "Oswald shooting site" as a demonstrative courtroom aid.

In accordance with the Director's instructions, the following action was taken on 1-13-64:

1. Messrs. James R. Malley and Leo J. Gauthier visited Mr. Rankin at his office, 200 Maryland Avenue, N.E., Washington, D. C. Although the exhibits would fit in the Commission's conference room, Mr. Rankin felt the room would be too crowded for conference use and asked that Mr. Wade Holland, Superintendent of the building, be contacted concerning the possible use of the "Assembly Room." This room is large enough to accommodate all of the exhibits and can be made available by Mr. Holland for the Commission's use. Mr. Rankin stated he would discuss this matter further with Chief Justice Warren and that he would be in touch with the Bureau concerning the disposition of the exhibits.

2. Mr. Rankin viewed a copy of the attached brochure. He was advised that the Director would provide sufficient copies for distribution to Commission members and its legal staff. He appreciated this offer and requested 28 copies which will be made available by 1-22-64.

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ENCL BEHIND FILE

Enclosure  
1 - Mr. Mohr  
1 - Mr. Belmont

1 - Mr. Rosen (Mr. Malley) FJC  
1 - Mr. DeLoach  
1 - Mr. Casper

1 - Mr. Evans  
1 - Mr. Conrad  
1 - Mr. Sullivan

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3. Mr. Rankin was advised that should the Commission need advisory help with regard to the use of these exhibits that the Director has instructed Gauthier to make this service available on a "need basis."

4. Pursuant to the Director's request one copy of the technical brochure is attached for his personal file. Seven (7) additional copies can be made available immediately for the Director's use.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. That this memo be referred to the Director.

*J. James [unclear]*  
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2. That one copy of the attached brochure be made available to Mr. Rankin at this time and an additional 27 copies by 1-22-64.

*[Handwritten initials and signatures]*