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TO : Mr. Conrad *JWC*

DATE: 6/2/64

FROM : R. H. Jevons *RHJ*

SUBJECT: ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT  
JOHN F. KENNEDY, 11/22/63  
DALLAS, TEXAS

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On 5/12/64, Mr. J. Lee Rankin, General Counsel of the President's Commission, requested by letter that the cartridge cases C6, C7 and C38 recovered from the Texas School Book Depository be examined for loading, chambering, extraction and/or ejection marks. On 5/15/64, Mr. Melvin Eisenberg, staff member, orally requested that the aforementioned cartridge cases as well as the C8 cartridge found in the assassination weapon (C14) be examined to determine if they had been loaded into and extracted from the C14 rifle more than once. Mr. Eisenberg advised that this type of examination was actually meant in Rankin's letter of 5/12/64. As a result of the examinations conducted on these items in the Laboratory the following results were obtained and are set forth below:

Marks were found on the C6 cartridge case indicating that it has been loaded into and extracted from a weapon at least three times. One set of marks was identified as having been made by the magazine follower of the C14 rifle. It is pointed out that the extractor and ejector marks on C6 as well as on C7, C8 and C38 did not possess sufficient characteristics for identifying the weapon which produced them. There are also three sets of marks on the base of this cartridge case which were not found on C7, C8, C38 or any of the numerous tests obtained from the C14 rifle. It was not possible to determine what produced these marks.

Marks were found on the C7 cartridge case indicating that it has been loaded into and extracted from a weapon at least twice. One set of marks was identified as having been produced by the chamber of the C14 rifle and one set of marks was identified as having been produced by contact with the bolt of C14; however, it was not possible to determine whether the two sets of marks which were identified were produced by one or two loading operations in the C14 rifle.

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1 - Mr. Belmont - Encl.  
1 - Mr. Rosen - Encl.  
1 - Mr. Sullivan - Encl.  
1 - Mr. Malley - Encl.  
1 - Mr. Rogge - Encl.

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