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Honorable J. Lee Rankin General Counsel The President's Commission 200 Maryland Avenue, Northeast Kashington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Rankin:

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Reference is made to a telephone conversation between Mr. Howard P. Nillens of your staff and Mr. J. R. Malley of this Bureau on June 8, 1964, concerning Mr. Philip H. Partridge of Akron, Ohio.

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Enclosed for your assistance are two copies each of two communications, one from our Cincinnati Office dated June 9, 1964, and one from our Cleveland Office dated June 10, 1964, incorporating the results of our investigation of this matter.

For your additional information, by letter dated June 11, 1964, Mr. Herbert J. Miller, Jr., Assistant Attorney General, 13 JUN 16 19 Criminal Division, U. S. Department of Justice, furnished this Eureau a telegram bearing the name of Philip H. Partridge dated June 3, 1964, which was received at the White House. This telegram was referred to the U. S. Department of Ungridge by Mr. Ralph A. Dungan, Special Assistant to President Lyndon B. Johnson.

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Honorable J. Lee Rankin

The telegram reads as follows:

"AKRON OHIO 8 1048 AEDT "THE PRESIDENT

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"I HAVE EVIDENCE IN THE ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY LONG DISTANCE PHONE CALL INTERFERED WITH NEED PROTECTION AT ONCE I AM AT WESTERN UNION TELEGRAPH OFFICE 191 SOUTH MAIN STREET AKRON OHIO"

This concludes our inquiriés into this particular mattor.

Sincerely yours,

Enclosures (4)

NOTE: See Malley to Rosen memo 6-8-64, captioned "Assassination of the President," JRM:mpd. Willens of the Commission advised that Partridge stated he was at the Western Union Office, 191 South Main Street, Akron, Ohio, and indicated he desired to be protected as he had information concerning the assassination. Willens requested we check this matter out. The Cleveland Office was immediately instructed to locate and interview Partridge and furnish results to the Bureau. The enclosed LHM from Cincinnati and Cleveland indicates that Partridge is somewhat of an eccentric and quite possibly a fringe mental case. When interviewed, he refused to furnish any information to the FBI and said he would only furnish this information to the President's Commission and continually referred to "them" and "they" as being involved in "espionage" and placing his life in danger, etc. Since Partridge indicated his life was in danger, appropriate local authorities were alerted.