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- 1 - W. C. Sullivan (R. E. Lenihan)
 - 1 - I. W. Co (R. A. Frazier)
 - 1 - Mr. Bole
 - 1 - Mr. Rosen
 - 1 - Mr. Malley
 - 1 - Mr. Shroder
 - 1 - Mr. Raupach

June 22, 1964

BY COURIER SERVICE

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

Dear Mr. Rankin:

Reference is made to your letter dated June 8, 1964, regarding declassification of certain information contained in the "Secret" memorandum dated March 17, 1964, which I furnished to you by letter dated March 26, 1964. A confidential source abroad has advised that all information in this "Secret" memorandum has now been declassified.

Enclosed are two copies of a memorandum captioned "Lee Harvey Oswald" dated June 16, 1964, which furnishes the authority for the declassification.

Sincerely yours,

- 1 - Foreign Liaison
- 105-82555 *see serial 2781*
- ① - 62-109060 (Assassination)
- 1 - 62-109090 (President's Commission)
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- Enclosures (2)

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NOTE: This matter pertains to the C14 rifle which was traced to the manufacturer in Italy and the information pertaining to this rifle was furnished to us by the Italian Armed Forces Intelligence Service (SIFAR) who classified the information as "Secret." By letter dated 6-8-64, the President's Commission indicated that paragraphs two through four of the secret memorandum dated March 17, 1964, captioned "Lee Harvey Oswald" providing important links in the chain of evidence linking Lee Harvey Oswald to the assassination weapon. The Commission desired that specific information

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concerning the rifle be declassified if possible. Legat Rome contacted [SIFAR] who furnished authority for the declassification of the entire memorandum. Appropriate notations are being made in the main files referring to Legat's letter of June 16, 1964, with appropriate enclosures that the memorandum is no longer classified.