

6-26-64

**Airtel**

To: SAC, Chicago (62-6115)  
From: Director, FBI (62-109060) - 3383

**ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT  
JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY  
11-22-63, DALLAS, TEXAS  
MISC. - INFO CONCERNING**

ReCGairtel and enclosed letterhead memorandum dated 6-24-64, concerning Gerald Shortall.

The Bureau has not received Dallas airtel 6-16-64, and your letterhead memorandum does not specifically indicate what Gerald Shortall is alleged to have stated. Therefore, your letterhead memorandum is of no use to the Bureau for dissemination.

It would appear this is the type of matter which should be incorporated in appropriate inserts for transmittal to Dallas for inclusion in a report in the above-captioned matter. However, the Bureau is not in possession of sufficient information to determine whether this matter requires immediate dissemination which would necessitate your submitting a letterhead memorandum.

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Chicago is instructed to reevaluate this matter and if necessary submit a revised letterhead memorandum incorporating the alleged statement made by Gerald Shortall and where this allegation originated or transmit appropriate inserts to Dallas for inclusion in a subsequent report under the above caption.

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NOTE: ReCGairtel made reference to a Dallas interoffice airtel which was not received by the Bureau. In the letterhead memorandum Chicago sets out an interview with Shortall's father indicating Gerald is mentally unbalanced and also incorporates a statement by Gerald that he did not make a statement that President Kennedy was a criminal nor did he express pleasure when he heard of the assassination. It is presumed these denials by Gerald refer to specific statements he made. However, to whom these statements were made or the background regarding them are unknown. It is felt this information is necessary for an intelligent evaluation of

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this matter before dissemination can be considered. Further, it is believed this is the type of information that can be transmitted to Dallas and incorporated in a miscellaneous type report in the above caption. However, Chicago is in the best position to evaluate this matter.