

July 14, 1964

BY COURIER SERVICE

- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. Rosen
- 1 - Mr. Malley
- 1 - Mr. Shroder
- 1 - Mr. Raupach

RS

Honorable J. Lee 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 30, 1964, requesting interviews with Mr. James Standard and Mr. William R. Keester.

Enclosed are two copies of a memorandum dated July 7, 1964, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, captioned "Assassination of President John Fitzgerald Kennedy, November 22, 1963, Dallas, Texas, Miscellaneous - Information Concerning," which reveals these interviews.

In addition, the enclosed memorandum contains information concerning William McEwan Duff. Our Dallas and Oklahoma City Offices previously conducted investigation concerning Mr. Duff. Your attention is directed to my letter dated February 5, 1964, which enclosed two copies of the report of Special Agent J. A. Grimes dated January 28, 1964, at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, which contained the results of an interview with Duff.

This concludes our inquiry into this particular matter.

Sincerely yours,
 J. Edgar Hoover

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NOTE:

The Commission by letter 6-30-64, requested Mr. William R. Keester, an Oklahoma City private detective, and Mr. James Standard, an Oklahoma City reporter, be interviewed based on a telegram sent to the Commission by Mrs. Shirley Martin of Hominy, Oklahoma. Martin alleged Keester told Standard there were many things Keester had to say about the attempted assassination of General Edwin A. Walker. Keester was reported to have said he was afraid to tell Standard what these things were. Martin's allegations were completely negated as a result of interviews conducted. Martin has sent numerous communications to the Bureau, all of which have been sent to the President's Commission. In connection with Duff, prior to the time it was established Oswald was the individual who shot at General Edwin A. Walker, Duff was considered a prime suspect as developed by the Dallas Police Department and he was subsequently absolved by that department. In Duff's interview he stated he did not know Ruby or Oswald and had no connection with them. (105-82555, Serial 1570)