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

*Assassination of  
President John  
F. Kennedy*

Dear Mr. Rankin:

Reference is made to your letter of August 10, 1964, wherein you requested assistance in preparing visual aids for use in dealing with allegations that the motorcade route which took the President's car past the Depository at the intersection of Elm and Houston Streets was unnecessary and departed from normal practice.

Enclosed are four glossy prints each of the following visual aids which were prepared from information selected by the Commission from documented records:

1. Aerial view (500 feet altitude) of Freeway convergence west of Triple Underpass, Dallas, Texas
2. Freeway convergence at Triple Underpass, Dallas, Texas
3. Photographic views of highway markings in the vicinity of the assassination

Plan view of Freeway convergence west of Triple Underpass, Dallas, Texas

View from north tower of Union Terminal Company, Dallas, Texas

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- Holmes
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- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. Rosen (Mr. Malloy)
- 1 - Mr. Conrad (Mr. Shaneyfelt) (ENCLOSURES) (8)
- 1 - Mr. Sullivan
- 1 - Mr. DeLoach

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6. View from Triple Underpass, Dallas, Texas
7. View of Triple Underpass from location on Elm Street
8. No title (aerial photograph of Triple Underpass)

These visual aids were previously approved by Mr. Willens and comply with the Commission's request contained in referenced letter.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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NOTE: On 8-17-64, Gauthier gathered information in Dallas adequate for the preparation of the above-mentioned exhibits (memo Gauthier to Callahan 8-13-64). On 8-21-64, Willens approved the use of certain material, and on 8-28-64, he approved preliminary diagrams with instructions to go ahead and furnish the attached copies. All material selected by the Commission for use in preparing the above visual aids was basically subject matter already submitted to the Commission by the FBI, prepared in report form, volumes, visual aids, scale models, etc. Indications are that requests for visual aids will continue until all information needed for the preparation of the Commission's final report has been completed. Requests for visual aids are being made by report writers over the signature of Mr. Rankin for the purpose of developing graphic illustrations which will be used to clarify obscure technical points appearing in the final report.