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From: SAC, Jackson (62-14) (RUC)

ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY,
NOVEMBER 22, 1963, DALLAS, TEXAS
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING
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ReButel to Jackson 9/3/64, and Jackson teletype to the Bureau 9/4/64.

The referenced Bureau teletype to Jackson advised as follows:

REVILO ~~P~~ OLIVER, Professor at the University of Illinois, recently made a speech in Santa Ana, California, wherein he made numerous allegations concerning the assassination of President JOHN F. KENNEDY. One of the allegations was to the effect that the Secretary of Defense ordered the U. S. Army to begin rehearsing for the funeral more than a week before the funeral.

OLIVER was interviewed re such statement by Denver Office September 2, 1964, and stated his source for such statement was a news article which appeared in the "Clarion Ledger," a newspaper in Jackson, Mississippi, February 21, 1964. According to OLIVER; this article pertained to statements made by Captain RICHARD CLOY, U. S. Army. OLIVER added that Captain CLOY was in charge of protocol for state funerals.

Jackson referenced teletype to the Director 9/4/64 advised as follows:

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- 2 - Dallas (Enclosures)
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The Friday, February 21, 1964, issue of the "Clarion Ledger," Jackson, Mississippi, daily newspaper, page 3, sets out article entitled "A Lot to Remember," by KENNETH TOLLIVER. Same is interview with Captain RICHARD C. CLOY, described as until recently, in command of the Headquarters Company of the First Battalion, Third Army Infantry Division, and who was a member of the military staff which revised the manual regarding honors due to a deceased chief of state. He was in charge of the caisson section which carried the President's coffin, the saluting battery which fired the twenty-one gun final salute, and the fife and drum corps which marched with the cortege. He is quoted as saying, "We were preparing the actual funeral arrangements less than an hour after the President was shot."

~~"We were in a state of readiness and had just finished a funeral rehearsal because there was grave concern for President HOOVER's health. But we never expected that our practice was preparing us for President KENNEDY."~~

The article stated that Captain CLOY, who had been visiting at McComb, Mississippi, was en route to his new assignment with the general staff of the Third Infantry Division in Germany.

Enclosed for the Bureau and Dallas are 3 xerox copies of the newspaper article referred to above.

Also enclosed for the Bureau are the original and 7 copies of letterhead memorandum including the information referred to above. Two copies of this letterhead memorandum are enclosed for Dallas.

There are enclosed for Dallas 8 copies of FD-302 reflecting obtaining of newspaper article on 9/3/64 from the "Clarion Ledger" newspaper, 311 East Pearl Street, Jackson, Mississippi.

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The attention of the Bureau is directed to the fact that since CLOY has been reported on assignment with the U. S. Army in Germany, no lead has been set out to interview him regarding any statements made by him as set forth in the newspaper article. This case is RUC at Jackson.

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