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TO : Mr. Conrad *Jev*

DATE: 11/27/64

FROM : R. H. Jevons

SUBJECT: ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT
JOHN F. KENNEDY; 11/22/63;
DALLAS, TEXAS

The Los Angeles Office forwarded to the Bureau by airtel dated 11/23/64, a 30-page memorandum entitled "A SMALL MATTER OF ARITHMETIC" furnished to Los Angeles by George C. Thomson, a civil engineer, Glendale, California (Los Angeles' airtel with Thomson's memorandum is attached.).

The memorandum questions certain conclusions reached by the Warren Commission and attempts to show the lack of logic on the part of the Commission in reaching these conclusions.

Review of this memorandum shows many of Thomson's questions pertain to matters thoroughly covered by the Bureau in its investigations and Laboratory analysis and are obviously based on erroneous conjecture or incomplete information on his part. For example, on his memorandum page entitled "INVESTIGATION OF 6.5 MM AMMUNITION," he quotes the Warren report, page 555, which describes in detail the characteristics of the cartridge found in the assassination weapon and the fact that it (the ammunition) was readily available from mail order houses and a few gun shops.

Thomson states in his remarks essentially that he has been unable to purchase ammunition meeting the characteristics set forth in the report and until this matter is cleared up, there is considerable doubt as to the origin of the ammunition. This inference that the ammunition is not available is completely without foundation since, and as pointed out in the report, some 2,000,000 rounds of the ammunition had been placed on sale in the U.S. In fact, shortly after the assassination and at the request of the Bureau, the Dallas Office purchased some of this ammunition in the Dallas area from a public source.

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Obviously, Mr. Thomson has not done sufficient research in this matter to support his contention.

It is to be noted also that Los Angeles' airtel states that "There appears to be reason to question THOMSON's mental health in view of his general demeanor in captioned matter."

In view of the obvious lack of information on the part of Thomson of the details in this matter and the question as to his mental health, the views set forth in Thomson's memorandum do not constitute a valid argument in this matter and insofar as the technical aspects are concerned, no further consideration need be given by the Bureau.

ACTION:

For information in the event Thomson further contacts the Bureau.

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