ALLEGATIONS BY DR. R. S. DE AYLLON, MEXICO CITY

## BASIS FOR INQUIRY

By letter dated August 31, 1964, Mr. HERDERT J. MILLER, JR., Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, United States Department of Justice, Washington, D. C., referred to the Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Washington, D. C., a letter which had been addressed to former Attorney General ROBERT F. KENNEDY. This letter is reproduced hereinafter and is a true copy:

"HOTEL DEL PRADO Mexico, D. F. 7-7-64

"Mr Robert Kennedy Eyannis Port, Mass. Dear sir.

Be kind enough to read the contents of this letter referring to your brother John, that hapen before the magnisidious in Dallas, Texas., Whose, where and when, in this country. These news were given to me by a native who saw and heard them talk about the plot. I investigated what I learned from the native thoroughly for three months I found out just what I thought. The investigation costed me time, money and my health. I am over eighty years of age, my studies in Mexico, United -States, and six years in Europe. I am not given conjectures or sealy ass stories. But the God's truth. I can't give you detail information by writting because I am afraid that these news may spred among some people indescrit I would rather chat with you personaly Otherwise if you wish, you may send somebody of your own intimate confidese. I could write these news to Mr Earl Warren or to the FBIs office, but I expect your opinion first Entirely devoted to your kind reply. Faithfully. your. /s/ Dr. R. S. deayllon." Barred 1881 - Car

The above letter was received in an envelope addressed:
"Mr. Robert Kennedy. Hyannis Port, Massachusets. U.S. of North A."
It bore the return address: "Dr. R. S. deAyllon. Ponciano
Arriaga 28. Mexico D.F."

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ENCLOSURE.

## INQUIRIES TO IDENTIFY DR. R. S. DE AVILON

On September 17, 1964, a confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that he had conducted discreet inquiries at Ponciano Arriaga Street No. 28, Mexico, D. F., Mexico, and had been unable to locate anyone named Dr. R. S. DE AYLLON or obtain any information concerning him. Source advised that the above address is for a health clinic operated by Dr. DONATO PEREZ GARCIA and his son, Dr. DONATO PEREZ GARCIA, JR., and an examination of the records of the establishment had failed to disclose that anyone by the name of R. S. DE AYLLON had been a patient therein during the previous twelve-month period.

Jource stated that he had consulted professional and telephone directories for the Federal District of Mexico without locating any record of an individual named Dr. R. J. DE AYLLON.

The inquiries which follow were conducted by a confidential source abroad:

On September 23, 1964, Dr. DONATO PEREZ GARCIA, JR. advised that he was not aware of anyone named Dr. DE AYLLON, but he considered it possible that the individual in question might be a Dr. RICARDO SALDANA, a former medical doctor of advanced age, who was no longer active in his profession and who was a friend of Dr. PEREZ GARCIA, SR. He stated Dr. SALDANA occasionally appears at the Ponciano Arriaga address to chat with his father but added that his father was away from Mexico City and he had no idea where Dr. SALDANA resided in Mexico City.

On September 30, 1934, Dr. DONATO PEREZ GARCIA, SR. related that he is well acquainted with Dr. RICARDO SALDANA and believed that he also used the name of AYLLON. He stated that Dr. SALDANA is from a respected family of Mexico City but is of advanced age and no longer is able to practice medicine or otherwise earn a living. He stated that he does not know the residence address of Dr. SALDANA but would be able to deliver a message to him at such time as he should appear at the clinic, which he was accustomed to doing at infrequent intervals.

## INTERVIEWS OF DR. RICARDO SALDANA DE AYLLON

Through the assistance of Dr. DONATO PEREZ GARCIA, SR., contact was established with Dr. RICARDO/SALDANA DE AYLLON on October 23, 1964; The latter refused to divulge his home address, explaining that he lived under rather humble circumstances and

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preferred to make contact with source independently or through Drs. DONATO PEREZ GARCIA for that and security reasons.

Dr. JALDANA pointed out that he is a retired medical doctor, eighty-four years of age, who formerly had a good practice, but that he has been unable to continue his practice because of his age. He admitted that he was in poor financial circumstances and added that he had fallen and broken his hip while "conducting investigation to locate the individual who had originally furnished information to him concerning the XENNEDY assassination" and had been forced to use crutches since that time.

Dr. SALDANA DE AYLLON apologized for his attitude but explained that he would reveal information in his possession only to Mr. ROBERT F. MENNEDY or to a personal representative of the KENNEDY family who was properly identified to him as such. Hedid relate that he had obtained detailed information concerning the assassination of President KENNEDY from a "Mexican national of Indian descent, who had been an itinerant agricultural farm worker in the United States, who spoke some English, and who claimed to have overheard a conversation, during which the assassination was discussed." He said that he had lost contact with this source and, prior to directing his letter to Mr. ROBERT KENNEDY, had spent considerable time and effort in attempting to locate the source. He claimed to have traveled to Acapulco, Guerrero, Mexico, for that purpose and dwelled somewhat on the fact that his fall and personal misfortune in breaking his hip had been a direct result of his activities in this regard.

Dr. SALDANA stated that he could not divulge the name or any other identifying data regarding the source of his alleged information concerning the assassination and mentioned that he had not given up hope of locating and recontacting that individual. He stated quite emphatically that he was convinced LEE HARVEY OSWALD had not been the assassin of President KENNEDY and hinted that his information was to the effect the assassination had been "politically motivated."

Dr. SALDANA contacted source periodically after the interview recorded above and continued to insist that he was making efforts to locate his unidentified source of information, but he would not divulge any details of the information in his possession unless contacted by Mr. ROBERT KENNEDY or his appropriately identified personal representative.

On February 2, 1935, Dr. SALDANA DE AYLLON was contacted at the PEREZ GARCIA clinic, Ponciano Arriaga Street No. 28,

Mexico, D. F., and he stated that he had not been successful in locating the individual who had furnished him information concerning the assassination. He reiterated strongly his refusal to divulge the information which he claimed to have to a representative of the United States Government, alleging that he felt that his personal safety would be endangered should he do so. He mentioned that he was completely without evidence to corroborate any of the data which he had, and he hoped that his attitude in the matter would be understood by officials of the United States Government.

The confidential source abroad, who contacted Dr. SALDANA DE AYLLON on several occasions, expressed the opinion that, while he appears to be intelligent and mentally alert, Dr. SALDANA constantly recited incidents in his personal life, dating back to the first world war. and made numerous references to the fact that while he no longer has any money, at one time he was well-connected and a person of "importance." While he gives every indication of being convinced that he has information which would be of interest to the KINNEDY family, it is extremely doubtful that he has any data which would shed any new light on this matter.