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ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY, DALLAS, TEXAS, NOVEMBER 22, 1963

On November 29, 1963, Bernard Alfred Tregle, 6115 Airline Highway, New Orleans, Louisiana, was interviewed at his place of business, a horse book, located at his residence, and he furnished the following information:

He said that a Norman Le Blanc is a professional horse trainer who had worked for Tregle during the early part of 1963 when Tregle had race horses. He said that Le Blanc was presently a horse trainer for a Emil Marchend. He said that Le Blanc spends all of his spare time at Tregle's horse book or the Lounnor Restaurant, 6115 Airline Highway, which is located in front of the horse book. Tregle stated that he recalls November 22, 1963, and all during that day he was around his place of business, and it is his recollection that Norman Joseph Le Blanc was either at the horse barns at Jefferson Downs Race Track or at 6115 Airline Highway that day. Tregle said he has never known anyone frequenting Tregle's Bar (now called the Lounnor Restaurant) called the "Professor."

According to Tregle he believes in segregation and as a result has never agreed with President John F. Kennedy's Civil Rights Program, and in connection with this, he feels that it is his prerogative to do so and express himself accordingly. He stated, however, that he can never recall at any time making any comments which could be construed as a threat on his part to kill the President of the United States or anyone else. He could not recall any incident in which

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he was looking at a rifle advertisement and then commenting that this rifle could be used to harm anyone, and further, he could not recall ever saying that the President of the United States would be shot if he made a visit to the Southern area of the country.

Tregle stated that although he did not like President Kennedy as a President, he has never been associated with any organization of a political nature that had a specific purpose of "fighting" the current administration's Civil Rights Program. He stated he would never stoop to violence of any kind against anyone, and he has never been associated with anyone to his knowledge who advocates violence to promote their aims and purposes. He said he considers himself a patriotic American and he is appalled at anyone who would kill an official of the United States Government, particularly the President of the country.