

12/14/66

Airtel

1 - Mr. Raupach

To: SAC, New York (89-75) REC-25
From: Director, FBI (62-109060) EX-104

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ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT
JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY
DALLAS, TEXAS, 11/22/63
MISCELLANEOUS -
INFORMATION CONCERNING
OO: DALLAS

Re: Airtel 12/12/66.

Referenced airtel sets forth information concerning one [redacted] who had been in telephonic contact with Chief of Police Charles Batchelor, Dallas Police Department on 12/5/66. Based on information furnished [redacted] was not identified in Bureau files.

New York is instructed to interview [redacted] thoroughly regarding the information he telephonically furnished to Chief Batchelor. A signed statement should be obtained from him setting forth this information. New York should establish all circumstances as to why [redacted] was in Dallas on 11/22/63, and if necessary, set forth leads to the Dallas Division to verify his statements.

The results of inquiry conducted by the New York Office are to be incorporated into a letterhead memorandum suitable for dissemination by the Bureau. If there is any information in the files of the New York Office which would reflect on possible mental instability regarding [redacted] this information should also be included in the letterhead memorandum. New York is to bear in mind that information regarding a shot originating from the grassy knoll and the puff of smoke from the same area has been expounded upon by Mark Lane in his book, "Rush to Judgment."

New York is to expedite this matter.

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1 - Dallas (89-43)
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NOTE:

Dallas, in referenced airtel advised of the receipt of a letter from Chief Batchelor of the Dallas Police Department who advised he had received a long distance telephone call from [REDACTED] on 12/5/66. [REDACTED] alleged he was in the area of the assassination and heard a shot from his right which was in the area of the grassy knoll adjacent to the triple underpass and that he also saw a puff of smoke in this same area. He alleged he was stopped by a police officer and further said he had talked to no one regarding this information until the release of recent publicity. This theory has been expounded by Mark Lane in his book in attempting to establish that a conspiracy was involved in the assassination of President Kennedy. This matter should be checked out and results of which will be disseminated to the U. S. Secret Service and the Department upon receipt.