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SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (89-58)

FROM: DIRECTOR, FBI

ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY. NOVEMBER TWENTY-TWO, NINETEEN SIXTY-THREE, DALLAS, TEXAS, MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

RESPTEL ONE FOURTEEN LAST.

AUTHORITY IS GRANTED FOR SAN PRANCISCO TO INTERVIEW James Boyd Mackey at san quentin prison regarding mackey's ALLEGED ASSOCIATION WITH LEE HARVEY OSWALO. THIS INTERVIEW IS TO BE CONDUCTED BY TWO SPECIAL AGENTS AND IF AVAILABLE. THIS MATTER IS TO BE ASSIGNED TO AGENTS WHO HAVE HAD PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE IN CONNECTION WITH THE INVESTIGATION RELATING TO THE ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY. THOROUGHLY INTERVIEWED AS TO DATES AND PLACES OF HIS ALLEGED ASSOCIATION WITH OSWALD WITH SPECIFIC EMPHASIS BEING PLACED ON OBTAINING INFORMATION WHICH WOULD EITHER CORROBORATE OR DISCREDIT HIS STATEMENTS. IN VIEW OF MACKEY'S PSYCHIATRIC BACKGROUND, THE CRIME FOR WHICH HE IS INCARCERATED, AND THE FACT HE MAY BE TRYING TO ENHANCE HIS OWN POSITION IN SAN

1/2 Dallas (Air Mail)

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QUESTIN, DEALINGS WITH HIM SHOULD BE MOST CIRCUMSPECT.

RESULTS OF MACKEY'S INTERVIEW ARE TO BE INCORPORATED INTO

A LETTERHEAD MEMORANDUM SUITABLE FOR DISSEMINATION, COPY

OF WHICH SHOULD BE DISSEMINATED TO U. S. SECRET SERVICE AT

SAN FRANCISCO. YOUR LETTERHEAD MEMORANDUM SHOULD ALSO

REFERENCE YOUR LETTERHEAD MEMORANDUM DATED DECEMBER TWO,

NINETEEN SIXTY-SIX, WHICH HAS PREVIOUSLY BEEN DISSEMINATED

TO U. S. SECRET SERVICE AND THE DEPARTMENT. AIR MAIL COPY

SENT TO DALLAS.

NOTE: Mackey is currently serving an indeterminate sentence of 5 months to 10 years after the conviction of manslaughter in Los Angeles County, California during January, 1965. This conviction resulted from his association with a masochistica homosexual who he beat with a belt and later stabbed 189 times. While in prison he has become the chief suspect in another killing within the prison where the victim was stabbed at least. 72 times. San Francisco furnished a letterhead memorandum including letters-written by Mackey to a prison associate which were intercepted and never mailed. The letters were to be mailed to the "Los Angeles Examiner" newspaper. In substance they revealed Mackey's disjointed thinking regarding sexual perversion and his alleged association with Lee Harvey Oswald in Mexico and Mackey's complicity as . the second man in the assassination of President Kennedy. Mackey has been examined by 4 psychiatrists, all of whom have furnished varying opinions as to his sanity. He should be interviewed to clarify this matter.

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