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February 21, 1967

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Honorable James J. Rowley Director, U. S. Secret Service Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Rowley:

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Enclosed is a copy of a letter dated February 14, 1967, which was directed to this Bureau by Dr. Carlos Bringuier, a New Orleans, Louisiana, businessman.

For your information, Dr. Bringuier is a Cuban refugee and is an outspoken opponent of Fidel Castro. He is the New Orleans delegate of the Cuban student directorate.

assassination of President Kennedy, we determined that Lee Harvey Oswald visited a store managed by Dr. Bringuier on August 5, 1963. Oswald indicated an interest in joining Dr. Bringuier and his associates in their struggle against Fidel Castro. On August 9, 1963, Dr. Bringuier observed Oswald pass out Fair Play for Cuba Committee leaflets in New Orleans. Dr. Bringuier and Oswald got into a dispute which resulted in their arrests for disturbing the peace. Oswald pleaded that to the charge against him and paid a \$10 fineC 26 62-104060 449

On August 21, 1963, a New Orleans radio Station arranged a debate between Oswald and Dr. Bringuier concerning Cuba. In the course of this debate, Oswald defended the Castro regime and discussed Marxism. Dr. Bringuier claimed that Oswald was a communist.

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Honorable James J. Rowley

This data is also being furnished to the Honorable Marvin Watson, Special Assistant to the President, and to the Acting Attorney General.

Sincerely yours,

Enclosure

NOTE:

See memorandum Branigan to Sullivan dated 2-20-67, captioned "Assassination of President John Fitzgerald Kennedy, November 22, 1963, Dallas, Texas," prepared by RKL:gow.