

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

1 - W. A. Branigan  
1 - R. E. Lenihan

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TO : D. J. Brennan, Jr. *[Signature]*

DATE: 3/3/67

FROM : B. F. Rose *[Signature]*

1 - Liaison  
1 - B. F. Rose

SUBJECT: ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT  
JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY  
11/22/63, DALLAS, TEXAS

RE: JAMES RONALD LEWALLEN  
DOB: 11/21/27  
CLEVELAND, OHIO

On 3/3/67, Edwin H. Stevens, Chief, Personnel Security Branch, National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) Headquarters, Room 502, Reporters Building, 300 7th Street, S. W., Washington, D. C., (Code 13, Extension 36357) telephonically contacted Liaison Agent Bowen F. Rose to request a name check of Bureau files regarding James Lewallen.

When questioned regarding NASA's interest in Lewallen, Mr. Stevens advised Lewallen is employed by an NASA contractor as a Quality Control Inspector on the Saturn Booster rocket; has a confidential clearance; and his residence is listed as Apartment D-4406, Paris Avenue, New Orleans, Louisiana. Mr. Stevens also stated he understands Lewallen has been subpoenaed to appear in connection with the investigation being conducted by New Orleans District Attorney Garrison.

Mr. Stevens stated that an evaluation is being made of Lewallen's security clearance and NASA's interest is to determine if Bureau files contain any derogatory information regarding Lewallen that would make his continued employment with NASA inadvisable.

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This matter has been coordinated with Supervisor Lenihan of the Soviet Section, who advised Lewallen is the subject of a pending file review to develop information for referral to the Department.

**ACTION:**

This matter should be referred to the Soviet Section, Domestic Intelligence Division, for appropriate reply to NASA Headquarters.

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