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TO DIRECTOR (62-109060)

FROM LEGAT MEXICO CITY NO. 149 & 150

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

REFERENCE BUREAU CABLE  
REBYPAD MARCH 30 LAST.

MEXICO TEXAS

FOLLOWING INFORMATION RECEIVED TODAY FROM THAYER WALDO, WHO VOLUNTARILY CAME TO EMBASSY, MEXICO CITY.

AT TIME OF ASSASSINATION HE WAS FEATURE EDITOR OF FORTH WORTH STAR TELEGRAM. HE WAS ACQUAINTED WITH JOHN SUTTON, WHITE MALE, ABOUT 37 YEARS, BORN WILKES BARRE, PA., RADIO ANNOUNCER BELIEVED WORKING FOR WFAA THE STATION OF THE DALLAS MORNING NEWS.

SUTTON IN 1956 WHEN HE WAS WORKING AT EL PASO HERALD POST AND SUTTON WAS INFORMATION OFFICER AT FORT BLISS, TEXAS. SUTTON WAS IN DALLAS TELEPHONE BOOK AND OWNED OWN HOME. ABOUT A WEEK

AFTER ASSASSINATION SUTTON ASKED HIM TO MEET AT DALLAS PRESS

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MR. DELOACH FOR THE DIRECTOR

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CLUB, WHERE EXPLAINED THAT HE KNEW A MAN WHO WITNESSED A MEETING  
 IN THE CAROUSEL CLUB IN DALLAS BETWEEN JACK ~~RUBY~~ <sup>TEXAS</sup>, OFFICER J.D.  
 TIPPIT AND BERNARD WEISSMAN BUT WHO WAS RELUCTANT TO COME FORWARD  
 WITH THIS INFORMATION BECAUSE HE WAS INVOLVED IN AN AFFAIR WITH  
 A STRIPPER THERE AND WOULD LOSE HIS FAMILY AND JOB IF THIS BECAME  
 KNOWN.

*Rappox 1924-29*

SEVERAL DAYS LATER, BELIEVED TO BE DECEMBER 7, AT 3 PM MET  
 WITH SUTTON IN DALLAS PRESS CLUB AND INTRODUCED TO PHIL BURNS,  
 WHITE/MALE <sup>TEXAS</sup> ~~PAUL~~ <sup>TRUE NAME IS</sup> ~~BRIDEWELL <sup>OREGON</sup>  
~~MAN~~, LATE THIRTIES, 5 FEET 8 INCHES, 145 POUNDS, CHESTNUT HAIR,  
 GLASSES, WELL DRESSED AND SPOKEN, EMPLOYED BY ADVERTISING AGENCY  
 ON ACCOUNT OF ONE OF SUTTON'S SPONSORS. AFTER MANY ASSURANCES  
 THAT IDENTITY WOULD BE PROTECTED RELATED MAINLY THROUGH LEADING  
 QUESTIONS BY SUTTON THAT ACQUAINTED WITH RUBY BECAUSE INTIMATE  
 WITH STRIPPER IN CAROUSEL CLUB. ALSO KNEW OFFICER TIPPIT BECAUSE  
 HAD SEEN HIM IN UNIFORM IN CLUB WHICH APPARENTLY WAS ON HIS BEAT.  
 WAS AT CLUB NIGHT OF NOVEMBER 14, 1963 ABOUT 11 PM. NOTED RUBY  
 AT NEARBY TABLE IN CONVERSATION WITH ~~UNKNOWN SUBJECT~~, LATER JOINED BY  
 OFFICER TIPPIT. PASSED TABLE AND RUBY GREETED HIM AND SAID~~

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*X Tippit deceased Dallas, Texas 11-22-63 Tex*

"YOU KNOW J.D. HERE" WHICH WAS FIRST TIME HAD HEARD TIPPIT'S NAME. RUBY INTRODUCED OTHER INDIVIDUAL AS MR. BERNARD WEISSMAN *WHITE/MALE* FROM THE EAST. WEISSMAN *WAX*, ABOUT 35 YEARS, BLACK HAIR, OVER SIX FEET. BURNS RETURNED TO HIS TABLE AND RUBY SENT HIM COMPLIMENTARY DRINK. BURNS LEFT CLUB ABOUT 1 AM WITH GIRL AND GROUP WAS STILL IN CONVERSATION AT TABLE. OVERHEARD NOTHING OF THEIR CONVERSATION.

WALDO DISCUSSED MATTER WITH EDITORS BUTLER AND HITCH AND AGREED NOT TO PUBLISH SINCE INFORMANT INSISTED ON REMAINING ANONYMOUS. *DC*

HOWEVER ABOUT WEEK LATER MET MARK LANE *TEXAS NY* AT PRESS CONFERENCE IN DALLAS AND CONFIDED THIS INFORMATION TO LANE.

LANE MOST ANXIOUS TO CONTACT INFORMANT AND WALDO AGREED TO CONSULT WITH SUTTON. SUTTON ADVISED BURNS UPSET AND REFUSED TO COOPERATE FURTHER. SUTTON ALSO ADVISED THAT DETERMINED BY CALLING ADVERTISING AGENCY THAT BURNS ACTUALLY PAUL BRIDEWELL.

WALDO THEN ENGAGED IN COVERING RUBY TRIAL AND HAD NOTHING FURTHER TO DO WITH MATTER BUT CONJECTURES THAT LANE WAS ABLE TO

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ESTABLISH CONTACT WITH BRIDEWELL THROUGH SUTTON. BRIDEWELL REPORTEDLY GAVE UP HIS AGENCY JOB IN 1964 AND RETURNED TO HIS HOME IN OREGON. SUTTON ALSO REPORTEDLY LEFT DALLAS. WALDO HAS HAD NO FURTHER CONTACT WITH THEM AND DOES NOT KNOW WHEREABOUTS.

ABOUT TWO MONTHS AGO WALDO RECEIVED CALL FROM LARRY SCHILLER AN INVESTIGATOR FROM LOS ANGELES WHO WANTED TO KNOW NAME OF INFORMANT. WALDO FURNISHED HIM WITH DOUBLE IDENTITY OF BURNS-BRIDEWELL, ONLY PERSON TO WHOM HE FURNISHED THIS INFORMATION. HAS SINCE RECEIVED SEVERAL CALLS FROM SCHILLER ATTEMPTING TO LOCATE SUTTON AND BRIDEWELL.

LETTERHEAD MEMORANDUM  
 FOLLOWING IN NEXT COURIER POUCH.

RECEIVED: 10:17 PM MSE

*cc - Mr. Sullivan*

BRD CC: MR. BRENNAN

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