UNITED STATES (emorandum Cellah Felt Mr. DeLoach November 8, 1967 DATE: - Mr. DeLoach - Mr. Rosen - Mr. Malley - Mr. Shroder ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT SUBJECT: - Mr. Raupach JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY - Mr. Sullivan NOVEMBER 22, 1963 - Mr. Bishop DALLAS, TEXAS MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING PURPOSE: To acknowledge a letter from Mr. Terry, Christie Junior College, Dalton, Georgia. BACKGROUND: The Department, by letter dated October 31, 1967, referred to the Bureau a letter from Mr. Terry Christie, Instructor in History and Political Science, Dalton Junior College, Dalton, Georgia, which was dated October 18, 1967, and addressed to the Attorney General. The Department indicated the information contained in Mr. Christie's letter was not specific enough to determine whether the individual Mr. Christie refers to in his communication is mentioned in the Warren Commission Report and, therefore, requested the Bureau to formulate and send Mr. Christie an appropriate reply. According to Christie's letter he alleges that an unnamed associate currently with Southern Methodist University (SMU), Dallas, Texas, was alleged to have stayed with friends in Dallas, Texas, who were neighbors of Jack Ruby. He alleged that on the night preceding the assassination, 11/21/63, Lee Harvey Oswald came to their door asking for Ruby's residence. Mr. Christie claims this professor is a "most reliable person" and he therefore feels this has been investigated, but if not thinks it would be worthwhile. According to Christie, this story was related to District Attorney Jim Carrison in New Orleans. In this respect, we are well aware that Garrison is conducting his own conspiracy investigation and has been attempting to establish an association between Oswald and Ruby. Our own investigation REC-23 62-109060-59 Enclosures and

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there was no association between Oswald and Ruby.

Dallas has advised that without the name of the SMU Professor, no indices search to identify the former neighbor of Jack Ruby is possible. We do know however, Ruby resided in Apartment 207, 223 South Ewing, Dallas, Texas, as of 11/22/63. All residents of this apartment were interviewed, none of whom related any facts such as those attributed to the SMU Professor. In addition, Agents in Dallas familiar with the details of the Oswald and Ruby investigation do not recall any allegations of this nature.

Our investigation of Lee Harvey Oswald established without question that he spent the night preceding the assassination, 11/21/63, at the residence of Ruth Hyde Payne, 2515 West 5th St., Irving, Texas, with his wife Marina and Mrs. Payne. Mrs. Payne's testimony before the commission, which appears in Volume III of the hearings before the President's Commission. page 55, reveals Oswald arrived at the Payne's residence at 5:30 p. m. on 11/21/63, and he retired for the night at approximately 9:00 p. m.

While this allegation has been given to James Garrison in New Orleans, this matter should be nailed down.

ACTION:

Attached for approval is an airtel to Atlanta instructing Atlanta to acknowledge Mr. Christie's letter and interview him thoroughly regarding this matter and obtaining the identity of the SMU Professor so that he can be interviewed.

Attached for approval is a letter to Mr. Fred M. Vinson, Jr., Assistant Attorney General, advising him that additional interviews are going to be conducted concerning this matter, and he will be advised of the results.