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1:50 P.M. URGENT 11/27/67 SAC

TO: DIRECTOR (105-82555)

FROM: NEW HAVEN (100-18158)

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

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RE BUREAU TELEPHONE CALL THIS DATE.

ON NOVEMBER TWENTY SEVEN, NINETEEN SIXTY THREE, JOSIAH THOMPSON, YALE UNIVERSITY GRADUATE STUDENT, NEW HAVEN, CONN., ^{NEW HAVEN OFFICE} APPEARED AT WFO. HE ADVISED THAT, BASED ON HIS READING THE MANY ARTICLES CONCERNING ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY, HE THOUGHT THE PRESIDENT HAD BEEN SHOT BY TWO DIFFERENT INDIVIDUALS, HE ADVISED A REVIEW OF PHOTOGRAPHS IN THE CURRENT ISSUE OF LIFE MAGAZINE WHICH ARE REPORTEDLY MADE UP OF FILM CLIPS FROM AN AMATEUR MOVIE FILM INDICATED THE PRESIDENT WAS STRUCK FIRST IN THE THROAT BY A SHOT FIRED FROM SOMEWHERE AHEAD OF THE MOTORCADE AND NOT FROM THE WAREHOUSE WINDOW. HE DID NOT HAVE A COPY OF THE ABOVE LIFE MAGAZINE WITH HIM.

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THOMPSON ADVISED HE HAS NO PERSONAL KNOWLEDGE OF THE ABOVE CONCLUSIONS AND NO KNOWN FACTS TO SUBSTANTIATE SAME NOR DID HE KNOW THE RESULTS OF THE BALLISTIC TESTS. HE WAS MERELY MAKING THE ABOVE ASSUMPTION BASED ON AN ARTICLE WHICH APPEARED IN THE NOVEMBER TWENTY SEVEN, SIXTY THREE NEW YORK TIMES AND THE CURRENT ISSUE OF LIFE MAGAZINE. THE INTERVIEW WAS THEN CONCLUDED.

ON ~~THE~~ AFTERNOON OF NOVEMBER TWENTY SEVEN, SIXTY THREE, THOMPSON REAPPEARED AT THE ^{NEW HAVEN OFFICE} ~~NHO~~ WITH A COPY OF THE CURRENT LIFE MAGAZINE, WHICH CONTAINED THE FILM CLIPS OF THE MOTION PICTURE FILM DESCRIBED ABOVE. HE EXHIBITED THE PICTURES OF THE FILM CLIPS TO THE INTERVIEWING AGENT, AND ADVISED THAT FROM VIEWING THE PHOTOGRAPHS HE FELT BECAUSE OF OBSTACLES WITHIN THE RANGE OF THE VISION FROM THE WAREHOUSE WINDOW IT WOULD HAVE BEEN IMPOSSIBLE FOR THE SHOT WHICH STRUCK THE PRESIDENT IN THE THROAT TO HAVE BEEN FIRED FROM THAT POINT, AND CONSEQUENTLY HE BELIEVED THAT THAT SHOT HAD BEEN FIRED FROM ANOTHER LOCATION.

THOMPSON APPEARED TO BE SEEKING CONFIRMATION OF HIS VIEWS FROM SOMEONE ELSE. IT WAS POINTED OUT TO HIM THAT THE INVESTIGATORS ON THE SCENE WERE IN THE BEST POSITION TO DEDUCT THE TRUE FACTS

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AS TO WHAT ACTUALLY TRANSPIRED. HE STATED ONLY REASON FOR RETURNING FOR A SECOND INTERVIEW WAS TO DISPLAY THE PHOTOGRAPHS WHICH APPEARED IN THE MAGAZINE.

THOMPSON WAS ASKED FOR A SECOND TIME WHETHER OR NOT HE HAD ANY KNOWLEDGE OR INFORMATION CONCERNING THE ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY AND HE REPLIED THAT HE HAD NOT, BUT HE HAD FORMED HIS CONCLUSIONS SOLELY FROM A REVIEW OF NEWSPAPER ACCOUNTS AND THE ABOVE-MENTIONED PHOTOGRAPHS.

INASMUCH AS THOMPSON HAD NO PERSONAL KNOWLEDGE CONCERNING THE FACTS OF THE ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY AND ABOVE STATEMENTS BY HIM WERE MERELY ASSUMPTION BASED ON REVIEWS OF VARIOUS NEWSPAPER AND MAGAZINE ARTICLES, A MEMORANDUM WAS WRITTEN FOR THE FILE BY INTERVIEWING AGENTS AND NO DISSEMINATION OF INFORMATION WAS MADE.

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