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ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT John Fitzgerald Kennedy November 22, 1963, Dallas, Texas

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December 23, 1968

Reference is made to your memorandum dated December 17, 1968, in captioned matter, your reference "FMV:CWB:km; 129-11."

We have ascertained that in November, 1963, our New Orleans Office had three Security Patrol Clerks, namely, William 8. Walter, Thomas Cecil McCurley and Thomas J. Bevans. Mr. Bevans is now a Special Agent assigned to our Los Angeles Office. Mr. McCurley resigned January 14, 1966, and as of November 27, 1967, reportedly was residing at 705 Lindsey Drive, Jackson, Mississippi. A check of our payroll records disclosed that William 8. Walter did not work November 16, 1963, but did work the 12:15 a.m. to 8:15 a.m. Security Patrol shift on November 17, 1963. Mr. Bevans worked the 4:15 p.m., November 16, 1963, to 12:15 a.m., November 17, 1963, shift and also the 8:15 a.m. to 4:15 p.m. shift on November 17, 1963, that is, Mr. Bevans preceded and succeeded Mr. Walter during the latter's Security Patrol shift on November 17, 1963.

Mr. McCurley worked the 12:15 a.m. to 8:15 a.m. shift on November 16, 1963, and the 4:15 p.m., November 17, 1963, to 12:15 a.m., November 18, 1963, shift. Mr. Walter relieved Mr. McCurley at 12:15 a.m., November 18, 1963, and worked the eight-hour shift from 12:15 a.m. to 8:15 a.m., November 18, 1963.

We are making arrangements to interview both Mr. Bevans and Mr. McCurley in this matter. You will be promptly informed of the results of our inquiries upon receipt.

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## NOTE:

William S. Walter is the Security Patrol Clerk in the New Orleans Office who has falsely alleged there was a Bureau teletype to New Orleans 11/17/63 reporting a threat to President Kennedy in Texas. Exhaustive investigation and check of files at Bureau Headquarters, New Orleans and Dallas showed there was no such communication. Walter has been interviewed several times by Bureau Agents and has told conflicting stories. Department requested we identify the Security Patrol Clerks in New Orleans who had the duty shift before and after Walter 11/17/63. By separate communication we have instructed that Los Angeles and Jackson Offices interview Special Agent Beyans and Mr. McCurley, respectively.