

Memorandum

TO : THE DIRECTOR

DATE: September 10, 1975

FROM : H. N. BASSETT *HNB*

SUBJECT: CONGRESSMAN DALE MILFORD
VISIT WITH THE DIRECTOR

- Asst. Dir.:
- Adm. _____
- Comp. Syst. _____
- Ext. Affairs _____
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On the morning of September 10, 1975, Congressman Dale Milford personally visited with the Director. I also was in attendance during this meeting. Congressman Milford advised that the purpose of his visit was two-fold: (1) he was interested in any official information the Director could furnish him concerning the inquiry being made in Dallas regarding Oswald's visit to that office prior to the assassination and (2) any unofficial information which the Director might be able to furnish.

The Congressman mentioned that he represents the Dallas - Fort Worth area and there has been considerable publicity in the newspapers, particularly making reference to the Dallas "Times Herald." He mentioned that he has received pressure over the past looking toward the possibility of reopening the investigation of the Kennedy assassination and his response has always been if you can show me official evidence he would attempt to take positive action. However, to date he has ^{yet} to receive any positive evidence.

The Director then made reference to the press release which was previously issued concerning the matter. Congressman Milford was told that the inquiry is continuing and that the only objective is to find the truth. The Director mentioned that he wasn't sure at this point what would happen, that is, it is possible that the matter may go before a grand jury or it is possible that it may result in internal discipline. The Congressman seemed satisfied with this response and mentioned that he would so advise his constituents of the Director's comments and in particular of the fact that he had met with the Director and assure them of the Director's intent to seek the truth.

Congressman Milford mentioned that he was recently appointed to the U. S. House Select Committee on Intelligence Activities. He said that he feels that some members of this Committee are on a witch hunt as it applies to the intelligence community which included the FBI. He said that he was a former police officer and has always been an admirer of the FBI and that

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while he did not want it to be considered collusion on his part he wanted the Director to know that he was more than willing to assist in any way possible. He said that one drawback is the fact that he knows very little about our activities and strongly recommended that during the hearings to come we bring out the positive things which we have accomplished. The Director mentioned that perhaps legislation was necessary in some areas and the Congressman stated that if there was any way that he could assist in forming any legislation he would be happy to do so. The Director commented that, of course, any proposed legislation would have to go through the Department and asked the Congressman whether he would have any objection in advising the Department of his offer of assistance in this regard. The Congressman said that he had no objection whatsoever.

The foregoing is submitted for record purposes.

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