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MR. WALLY WESTON;  
INFORMATION CONCERNING

- 1 - Mr. Held
- 1 - Mr. Adams
- 1 - Mr. Gallagher
- 1 - Mr. O'Connell
- 1 - Mr. Cooke
- 1 - Mr. Burton
- 1 - Mr. Leavitt

This is in response to your communication of August 27, 1976, (RLT:WSL:GS:sd), in which you asked whether information from our files supported a conclusion that [redacted] or Mr. Wally Weston are endangered by reason of their recent interviews by members of Senator Richard S. Schweiker's staff.

Our files contain no references identifiable

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Mr. Wally Weston was interviewed by the Federal Bureau of Investigation at Dallas, Texas, on November 24, 1963, regarding any knowledge he might have of the assassination of President John F. Kennedy or the murder of Lee Harvey Oswald by Jack Ruby. At that time Weston advised he had known Ruby intimately for three or four years and worked for Ruby at the Carousel Club in Dallas as Master of Ceremonies for 14 months immediately preceding the assassination of President Kennedy. Weston advised he had never known Ruby to have any particular interest in politics and had never heard Ruby express any un-American sentiments and had no reason to believe Ruby was not a loyal American in every respect. Weston said it was his personal opinion that Ruby murdered Oswald for one or two possible reasons; his strong desire for national publicity or his anger at the murder of a member of the Dallas Police Department.

Weston said he did not believe Oswald's murder was connected in any way with Ruby's political belief or because of Ruby's sympathy for any foreign government. Weston also stated that he doubted a statement by Bill DeMar, another entertainer at the Carousel Club, that he, DeMar, had seen Oswald at the club. Weston attributed this claim to DeMar's desire for publicity.

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Recent news stories have quoted Frank Sturgis, convicted Watergate burglar, as saying Jack Ruby met with Fidel Castro in Havana during the Summer of 1963 and discussed the possibility of assassinating President Kennedy. Wally Weston was quoted in these news stories as saying he could corroborate Sturgis' story and could also establish that Ruby and Lee Harvey Oswald knew each other before the assassination. Weston stated Kathy Kay, a former stripper at the Carousel Club could corroborate the fact that Ruby knew Oswald before the assassination. We are currently in the process of reinterviewing Sturgis, Weston and Kathy Kay for the specifics of any information in their possession to indicate that Ruby traveled to Cuba in 1962 or 1963 or that Oswald and Ruby were acquainted prior to the assassination of President Kennedy. Our files contain no other references to Wally Weston.

I hope this information will be of assistance to you in determining if [redacted] or Mr. Weston are endangered as a result of their interviews by Senator Schweiker's staff members. b7c

NOTE: Assistant Attorney General, Richard L. Thornburgh in attached communication enclosed copies of letter from Senator Schweiker to the Assistant Attorney General and the letter from Assistant Attorney General Michael M. Uhlmann to Senator Schweiker. These letters are also attached. Assistant Attorney General Thornburgh requested information from our files regarding [redacted] and Mr. Wally Weston to aid him in determining if they need protection as a result of being interviewed by Senator Schweiker's committee staff members. This advises Assistant Attorney General Thornburgh of the results of the file review. b7c

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