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ATTENTION INTELLIGENCE DIVISION

ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY, NOV. 22, 1963,

DALLAS, TEXAS. MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION CONCERNING. OO DALLAS.

RE KANSAS CITY TEL TO BUREAU SEPTEMBER 30, 1976.

ON OCTOBER 14, 1976, SA JAMES P. HOSTY, JR. ADVISED THAT

HE WAS TELEPHONICALLY CONTACTED BY RONALD KESSLER OF THE

WASHINGTON POST NEWSPAPER AT HIS RESIDENCE ON OCTOBER 13, 1976,

AT APPROXIMATELY NINE THIRTY PM CDST.

b7c/FBI
DECLASSIFIED BY *SP-6 [redacted]*
ON *1/25/89 #6454*
per CIA letter 9/23/88.

KESSLER STATED HE HAS RETURNED FROM MEXICO CITY,

WHERE HE CLAIMED TO HAVE INTERVIEWED PAST AND PRESENT CIA

EMPLOYEES. HE STATED FROM DOCUMENTS HE HAS RECEIVED, PLUS

INTERVIEWS OF CIA PERSONNEL, IT IS OBVIOUS THAT THE CIA ONLY

FURNISHED VERY LIMITED INFORMATION TO THE FBI ON THE VISIT OF

LEE HARVEY OSWALD TO MEXICO CITY SEPTEMBER 26, 1963, THROUGH OCTOBER

APPROPRIATE AGENCIES
AND FIELD OFFICES
ADVISED BY ROUTING
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3, 1963, PRIOR TO THE ASSASSINATION. KESSLER STATED HE IS NOW AWARE THAT THE CIA POSSESSED CONSIDERABLE INFORMATION ON THIS VISIT THAT WAS NOT FURNISHED TO THE FBI PRIOR TO THE ASSASSINATION. KESSLER WANTED COMMENTS FROM SA HOSTY RE THE POSSIBILITY THAT THIS WITHHOLDING OF INFORMATION BY THE CIA FROM THE FBI COULD HAVE BEEN DUE TO AN ALLEGED FEUD THAT FORMER FBI DIRECTOR HOOVER WAS HAVING AT THAT TIME WITH THE CIA. SA HOSTY DID NOT COMMENT ON THIS POSSIBILITY. KESSLER STATED THAT CIA EMPLOYEES DENIED THIS ALLEGATION OF A FEUD WITH THE FBI, STATING THE RELATIONS BETWEEN THE FBI AND CIA IN MEXICO CITY WERE EXCELLENT AT THE TIME.

FOR INFO BUREAU SA HOSTY WILL TESTIFY IF ASKED THAT IT WAS HIS UNDERSTANDING THAT RELATIONS WERE EXCELLENT BETWEEN THE FBI AND CIA IN MEXICO CITY, THIS INFORMATION BEING BASED UPON STATEMENTS MADE BY FORMER MEXICO CITY LEGAT CLARK ANDERSON BEFORE AN IN-SERVICE CLASS IN SEPTEMBER, 1963, TO THE EFFECT THAT RELATION WERE EXCELLENT.

ON OCTOBER 1, 1976, FOLLOWING KESSLER'S FIRST CONTACT WITH SA HOSTY, JOHN M. BRAY, WASHINGTON, D.C. ATTORNEY

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APPOINTED BY THE JUSTICE DEPT. TO REPRESENT SA HOSTY IN THIS MATTER, INSTRUCTED SA HOSTY TO HAVE KESSLER CONTACT HIM, BRAY, IN WASHINGTON, D.C. IF HE MADE ANY FURTHER REQUESTS OF SA HOSTY.

FOR FURTHER INFO BUREAU ATTORNEY BRAY FAVORS FURNISHING NO INFORMATION TO PRESS AT THIS TIME. BRAY FEELS THAT IT IS CERTAIN THAT SA HOSTY WILL BE CALLED BY THE NEWLY-FORMED U. S. HOUSE COMMITTEE TO TESTIFY AND WILL PROBABLY BE RECALLED BY THE SENATE INTELLIGENCE COMMITTEE TO TESTIFY. BRAY FEELS THAT THE LESS INFORMATION FURNISHED TO THE PRESS AT THIS TIME THE BETTER IT WOULD BE. ACCORDING TO BRAY'S INSTRUCTIONS KESSLER WAS REFERRED TO ATTORNEY BRAY FOR ANY FURTHER COMMENTS.

KANSAS CITY WILL KEEP THE BUREAU ADVISED.

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