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To: SAC, El Paso

1 - Mr. Peelman
1 - Mr. Giaquinto

From: Director, FBI (62-109090)

ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY 11/22/63

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Enclosed are two copies of a letter and envelope received from the complainant Bill Lord. Also enclosed are two copies of an FD-302 reflecting an interview with a Billy Joe Lord on 11/30/63, and two copies of an affidavit of a Billy Joe Lord as it appears in the Warren Commission Report.

El Paso Division is requested to contact the complainant, acknowledge his letter and obtain full details regarding any additional information he wishes to provide regarding the allegations set forth in his letter of 2/2/77. Bureau indices reveal that a Billy Joe Lord was in fact a cabin mate of Lee Harvey Oswald during a two-week ocean voyage from New Orleans to Europe which took place in 1959.

During the course of your interview with the complainant, insure that he is advised that any fears he may have for his personal safety should be referred to the local authorities.

If a review of El Paso indices should preclude interviewing the complainant, set forth your recommendations for not interviewing him in an appropriate communication, however, if the complainant is interviewed, suLHM the results within 21 days.

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Re: Assassination of President John Fitzgerald Kennedy

NOTE: Complainant, in his letter of 2/2/77, indicates that he was a cabinet mate of Lee Harvey Oswald on an ocean voyage to Europe in 1959. The complainant was interviewed by our Minneapolis Division in November, 1963, regarding said voyage and the complainant additionally filed an affidavit with the Warren Commission. At no time did the complainant mention any of the allegations specifically points one through nine as set forth in his letter of 2/2/77. This instructs El Paso to interview the complainant regarding any additional information he may have and to suLHM the results.