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 From: Director, FBI (62-109060)

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ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT
JOHN F. KENNEDY, 11/22/63
DALLAS, TEXAS

Re San Diego airtel to Bureau dated 3/22/77.

San Diego will reinterview Richard Sidney Watson, Municipal Jail, Ensenada, B.C., Mexico, for specific information concerning existence of alleged hotel receipt involving Lee Harvey Oswald and Jack Ruby. Also determine specifics of alleged film showing Oswald and Fidel Castro. Maintain contact with Lori Becklund, Reporter, San Diego Union, California, in efforts to obtain copy of pertinent portions of tape concerning Oswald and Ruby. San Diego will note review of Directory of U. S. Post Offices contain no reference to a Port Arkansas, Arkansas.

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Airtel to SAC, San Diego
Re: ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY

NOTE: Richard Sidney Watson was interviewed by Bureau Agents on 2/17/77 in Municipal Jail, Ensenada, B.C., Mexico, in connection with DESARMS investigation. During interview, Watson advised he had been previously interviewed by a reporter, Lori Becklund, San Diego Union, California, who recorded interview on two and one half hour tape. As follow-up, Bureau Agents interviewed Becklund to determine if any additional information could be obtained in DESARMS matter. Becklund would not produce tape or transcript of tape but provided a Xerox summary of tape information she furnished her editor which contained two items pertaining to Lee Harvey Oswald and Jack Ruby. First item indicated leaders of 23rd of September group, a Mexican terrorist group in Mexico, were blackmailing Castro with some film they have of Castro and Lee Harvey Oswald in exchange for guns and Castro's assistance in revolution in Mexico. Summary also indicates that a hotel receipt shows Oswald and Jack Ruby checked into an unnamed hotel together in Port Arkansas, Arkansas, on unknown date. Receipt was reportedly never turned into Warren Commission. No further information concerning Oswald and Ruby was contained in summary of tape. During interview of Watson, Watson failed to make any mention of Oswald or Ruby. As this information came to Bureau's attention subsequent to initial interview of Watson, SD is directed to reinterview Watson and obtain specific information to above Oswald and Ruby references. SD is also to recontact Becklund in an effort to obtain pertinent portion or transcript of tape recording concerning Oswald and Ruby. *PC*