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ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT  
JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY,  
NOVEMBER 22, 1963,  
DALLAS, TEXAS

This memorandum reflects the result of an interview  
with [REDACTED], Coweta, Oklahoma, on  
May 9, 1977.

The records of the Dallas, Texas, Office of the  
Federal Bureau of Investigation do not reflect any identifiable  
information concerning Fred Coleman, Fred Burns, or (First Name  
Unknown) Gonzales.

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[REDACTED] Coweta, Oklahoma, telephone [REDACTED] voluntarily contacted SA [REDACTED] at Kip's Big Boy Restaurant located at 37th Street and Memorial, Tulsa, Oklahoma, and provided the following information:

[REDACTED] advised that he lived in El Paso, Texas, from 1956 until 1967 and had a partnership in a Cadillac-Chevrolet Agency in El Paso with an individual named [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] also advised that he had 51-percent stock in the Crystal Ray Airport located in El Paso, Texas, during this period of time that he lived there. Other jobs held by [REDACTED] were flight instructor for Southwest Aviation Rangers, pilot, and employee of telephone company.

[REDACTED] also owned the [REDACTED] Enco Service Center in El Paso for a period of time.

[REDACTED] advised that [REDACTED] introduced him to (first name unknown) GONZALES, a Mexican male, 5'11"-6', medium build, who wore a pencil-thin mustache, weight approximately 175 pounds, and wore very expensive clothing on occasion and at other times casual clothing such as a sports coat. He stated that GONZALES made arrangements for him [REDACTED] to fly individuals across the border from El Paso close to Juarez, Mexico, where these individuals would meet with other persons and then he would fly them back to El Paso. All of this was done without filing a flight plan and [REDACTED] was paid off with cash, which was approximately \$250 to \$350 per trip. [REDACTED] made many such trips and one of these trips ended up in his plane being crashed in Mexico, somewhere close to Big Bend National Park. On this occasion, he and his two passengers managed to make their way into Texas where they were arrested by United States Border Patrol and he advised this incident was written up in the newspaper with the names of the other two individuals and he still had a clipping and could produce this clipping if necessary from the newspaper. He was not prosecuted for this incident inasmuch as he was merely transporting these persons and apparently the government felt it was too costly

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by SA MARK C. YOUNG:ca Date dictated 5/13/77

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to prosecute him for this minor offense. [REDACTED] advised that he made one of his trips from El Paso to near Juarez, Mexico, on the same night that FBI Agents captured an airline hijacker at El Paso airport.

[REDACTED] advised that he purchased a B51 airplane for GONZALES sometime in 1962 and flew this airplane off the coast of Florida on a small island for GONZALES. He was supposed to have taken plane to Yucatan, Mexico, however, he refused to do this and was told to go to the alternate site in Florida. He advised that GONZALES stated this plane was to be used for the efforts to overthrow FIDEL CASTRO in Cuba and that he was offered a job as a pilot by GONZALES and refused.

[REDACTED] advised that approximately one month before JOHN F. KENNEDY was assassinated, he flew an individual on two occasions from El Paso to Mexico to meet with individuals there. This individual that he flew from El Paso was named JACK (last name unknown). [REDACTED] advised that he did not know at the time but after the assassination of JOHN F. KENNEDY when pictures were displayed in various newspapers he realized that this person that he flew to Juarez, Mexico, was JACK RUBY. He stated that on this second occasion that he flew RUBY to Mexico to meet with an individual he met with a person who looked very much like the photographs of LEE HARVEY OSWALD. [REDACTED] stated this is the only times that he has met either of these individuals and although he made several flights of this nature after the assassination of KENNEDY, he never saw these individuals again. He stated that approximately one month after this assassination, two FBI Agents located him in El Paso and asked him if he was involved in smuggling activities between the United States and Mexico via airplane at which point he lied to the FBI Agents and told them that he had not been involved in any flights where no flight plan was filed. He advised he did this inasmuch as he felt that he would be prosecuted for illegal activities.

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[redacted] stated that the reason he was coming to the FBI with this information at the present time is that he felt the statute of limitations on any of his illegal activities had passed and he would not embarrass himself or his family by coming forth with information now. He stated that he would speak only to SA [redacted] regarding this matter or another FBI Agent accompanied by SA [redacted]. He advised that he did not know if this information would be of value to the government but he had been holding it for numerous years and wished to advise someone in a position to use the information.

COLEMAN is described through observation and interview as follows:

Name	[redacted]
Sex	Male
Race	White
Date of birth	[redacted]
Place of birth	Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
Height	5'10½"
Weight	160
Hair	Gray
Eyes	Blue
Social Security No.	[redacted]
Residence	[redacted] Coweta, Oklahoma

[redacted] was advised that furnishing his Social Security Number was voluntary and would be used to identify him in the event of any future criminal activity.

[redacted] reiterated that he had saved scrapbooks with certain newspaper clippings that would enable him to furnish more exact dates regarding any activities that he had around the KENNEDY assassination and could aid in identifying individuals with whom he was in contact during the period of time that he flew these illegal flights between the United States and Mexico.