



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Baltimore, Maryland

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No. BA 89-30

June 7, 1977

RE: ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT
JOHN F. KENNEDY, NOVEMBER 22, 1963
ASSAULT ON A FEDERAL OFFICER

On June 3, 1977, Mr. HOWARD DONOHUE contacted an Agent of the Baltimore Division of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) in person and furnished the following information:

Mr. DONOHUE advised that as a result of the publicity regarding his theory of the KENNEDY assassination published in the Baltimore Sunday Sun Papers editions in past weeks, it is his understanding that attorneys for the Baltimore Sun Papers are in the process of initiating a law suit under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act and directed to the FBI and the Justice Department. Baltimore Sun Papers are asking specifically for the release of the following documents and exhibits which were either in the possession of the FBI at one time, or are now believed to be in the possession of the FBI.

1. Any and all reports, notes, or other written transcripts pertaining to the FBI Laboratory report allegedly prepared by FBI Laboratory expert GALLAGHER regarding Special Agent (SA) GALLAGHER's spectrographic neutron-activation analysis findings obtained as a result of the autopsy of former President JOHN F. KENNEDY.

2. Warren Commission exhibit #843 which is believed by Mr. DONOHUE to be a minute bullet fragment recovered from former President KENNEDY's brain during the autopsy. DONOHUE advised that it is his belief this exhibit was at one time in the possession of SA FRANCIS X. O'NEIL but may now be located in the National Archives.

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3. Any tapes, reports, or other transcripts pertaining to the FBI's participation in the initial interrogation of LEE HARVEY OSWALD which allegedly took place at the time of OSWALD's apprehension. According to Mr. DONOHUE, it is his belief that at least two Special Agents of the FBI were present during OSWALD's initial interrogation.

Mr. DONOHUE further advised that Mr. HAROLD A. WILLIAMS, Editor, Sunday Sun, Baltimore Sun Papers has directed a letter to Mr. ROBERT K. TENEBaum, Deputy Chief Council, Select Committee on Assassinations, Room 3342, House Office Building, Annex 2, Second and D Streets, South West, Washington, D.C. which provided Mr. TENEBaum with copies of Mr. DONOHUE's recently published assassination theory and which also advised Mr. TENEBaum of the Baltimore Sun Papers anticipated legal action in this matter.

According to Mr. DONOHUE, Mr. TENEBaum responded to Mr. WILLIAMS' letter in a letter dated May 11, 1977 to the effect that the Select Committee on Assassinations is most interested in Mr. DONOHUE's theory and that Mr. DONOHUE may expect a subpoena sometime in the near future so that this matter may be gone into in greater detail by the committee.

Mr. DONOHUE advised that he has no idea exactly when the aforementioned suit will be initiated by the Sun Papers but expects this action to occur sometime within the next week or ten days.