

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, DALLAS
ATTENTION: INSPECTOR MALLEY

FROM : SA ROBERT P. GEMBERLING

SUBJECT: LEE HARVEY OSWALD, AKA;
ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT
JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY,
11-22-63, DALLAS, TEXAS
AFO

DATE: 12-7-63

Rememo Supervisor JOSEPH J. LOEFFLER 12-6-63.

Investigation at Chicago has established that the 6.5 millimeter Mannlicher-Carcano rifle, Serial No. C-2766, was purchased from Klein's Sporting Goods, Incorporated, 4540 West Madison St., Chicago, Illinois, and that it was shipped to OSWALD's Post Office Box in Dallas, Texas by parcel post, "not broken down with the bolt and scope intact." It has been further reported by the Chicago Office that "The scope would have been wrapped in corrugated paper and then brown wrapping paper or newspaper would be used in wrapping to prevent shifting within the carton."

Investigation at Chicago does not specifically indicate that inquiry was made at Klein's Sporting Goods to determine if OSWALD under any of his known aliases ordered any ammunition for this rifle.

Investigation by the Los Angeles Office has established that the Smith and Wesson .38 caliber revolver, Serial No. V 510210, used by OSWALD in killing Dallas Police Officer J. D. TIPPIT, was purchased from the George Rose and Company, Inc., 1225 South Grand Ave., Los Angeles, California. Inquiry at this company in connection with the purchase of this revolver indicated that written in ink on the order form for the revolver, was an order for one box of ammunition and one holster, but that a line was drawn through these items cancelling that portion of the order.

LEADS (To Be Set Out Via Telephone Calls to Chicago and Los Angeles)

CHICAGO

Recontact WILLIAM J. WALDMAN, Vice President, ~~Rose's~~ Sporting Goods, Incorporated, to determine if subject OSWALD

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under his name or known aliases, has ordered any ammunition from that firm for either the above described rifle or revolver since 3-1-63.

Will also resolve whether the scope was actually attached to the rifle when shipped. If not, determine if the screw holes were drilled and threaded on the rifle, and thus ready for mounting of the scope upon receipt by OSWALD.

Communications from Chicago other than FD 302's indicate that the mounting was done prior to shipment.

LOS ANGELES

Will contact H. W. MICHAELS, Office Manager, George Rose and Company, Incorporated, 1225 South Grand Avenue, and determine if subject under his name or known aliases has ordered any ammunition from that company for either the rifle or revolver described above since 3-1-63.

*Supervisor
Wm. C. Patton
Admin
12-9-63
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