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PARKLAND HOSPITAL
DALLAS, TEXAS
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Mrs RUTH BRAY (Mrs E. A.)

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PORTLAND HOSPITAL
DALLAS, TEXAS



STATEMENT BY EDWARD F. BRAY AS GIVING TO THE DALLAS NEWS.

THE ASSASSINATION OF THE PRESIDENT OF THESE UNITED STATES

STUDY THE ENCLOSED COPY OF MY LETTER TO THE FORMER SECRETARY OF NAVY, GOV. JOHN CONNALLY OF TEXAS. COULD I HAVE BEEN MORE EXPLICIT? AFTER HIGH NAVAL AND NAVAL INTELLIGENCE HAD BEEN MADE AWARE OF THE POSSIBILITY THAT THESE TRAGEDIES MIGHT HAPPEN, WHAT STEPS SHOULD THEY HAVE TAKEN? I ASK YOU, IF YOU WOULD RIDE IN AN OPEN CAR, PLEASE DO NOT ALLOW ANY OF THE ASSASSIN.....A DISGRUNTLED EX-SERVICEMAN TO GET CLOSE TO YOU. THE WEAPON.....A HIGH POWERED RIFLE THE METHOD.....A SNIPERS BULLET AS YOU RIDE IN AN OPEN CAR before THE LOCATION.....A PARADE IN DALLAS, TEXAS at the same day.

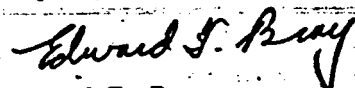
From remarks made to me by Naval Intelligence and the FBI, both prior to and after the Dallas tragedy, I feel sure that the letter was received in Gov. Connally's office during the week ending AUGUST 17, 1963.

As Field Engineer in charge of the Navy MK16 Sea Acceptance tests I was cleared by NAVY, FBI and the BENDIX CORPORATION for top LEVEL SECRET CLEARANCE. Prior to writing the letter to Gov. Connally I well knew that Government Officials would be notified of the receipt of this letter and that it would be kept on file.

After the Submarine Thresher tragedy I was contacted numerous times by members of various "ism" groups. Government Officials are aware of these contacts and I have co-operated with Government Officials by telling them of these contacts.

I am not now, and at no time in my life have I ever been a member of any "ism" group or any form of "Hate" group.

The Dallas News may use this statement in any way to further the cause of justice.



Edward F. Bray

The American people have been BETRAYED. In one of the many letters written by Admiral Hines, USN, he states, "the correspondence in this case has been voluminous." I have many, many letters written by NAVY OFFICIALS and OTHERS, still this fact remains:

I HAVE AUTHENTIC NAVY/BENDIX DOCUMENTS AND OTHER PROOF THAT THE BENDIX CORPORATION OBTAINED BY FRAUDULENT METHODS MANY MILLIONS OF DOLLARS OF THE AMERICAN TAXPAYERS MONEY. ADMIRAL HINES, USN, DEPUTY CHIEF, NAVAL WEAPONS BUREAU AND OTHER NAVAL OFFICIALS HAVE BEEN MADE AWARE OF THIS FRAUD. I QUOTE FROM A LETTER TO THE SECRETARY, (CERTIFIED MAIL # II4906 " Request that the Sec. name an Engineer of his choice, Admiral Hines to name an NAVAL eng. and its ok by me if Bendix entire Eng. staff is present, I will prove to all present that the entire data reduction charts are false....prepared by BENDIX ENGS. for one purpose only TO DEFRAUD THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT."

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3220 S. 23rd.
Portland, Oregon
August 12, 1963

(Written 3 Months prior to Dallas Tragedy)

Hon. John Connally
Gov. State of Texas
Austin, Texas

Dear Governor:

A plot is under way to assassinate you. As a former Secretary of Navy you are aware of the Submarine Thresher disaster and how the Bendix Corp. used FRAUDULENT PRESSURE/DEPTH curves on equipment designed and built by Bendix for submarines of the Thresher class.

An organization known as ,THE JUSTICE FOR THE CREW OF THE THRESHER is being formed. Former servicemen, with a grudge against the military are being recruited. There are 2 groups of this organization, one in Dallas, Texas and the other in Columbus, Ohio.

SIR, I BEG OF YOU, if you do visit Dallas and ride in an open car, PLEASE do not allow any of your loved ones to ride in an open car with you. If a snipers bullet, meant for you was fired from a high power rifle by one of these disgruntled former servicemen, struck one of your loved ones, instead of you. Stop and ask yourself this question, WOULD I BE ABLE TO CARRY THIS TRAGEDY WITH ME THE BALANCE OF MY LIFE?

Respectfully yours,

Edward F. Bray

Edward F. Bray EE

Field Eng. in Chg. Navy MK46 Sea Acceptance Tests.
Naval Torpedo Test Station. Keyport, Wash.

Copy to

Hon. John Tower. U. S. Senator

A copy of this letter was witnessed by (V.W.) before a Notary Public on Aug. 12, 1963.

On March 2, -1963 I wrote Secretary of Navy Fred Korth a letter(Certified Mail return receipt # 684078). In this letter I informed the Sec, that the Bendix Corp. was using Fraudulent methods on the Navy MK46 project. I enclosed NAVY/ BENDIX blue prints (XSA7083153) and other documents. I ask the Secretary of Navy to investigate before it became necessary for him to send telegrams to the next of kin, "WE REGRET TO INFORM YOU THAT YOUR SON IS MISSING ON THE US SUB..... On April 10, 1963, W. T. HINES. REAR ADMIRAL, USN. DEPUTY CHIEF, BUREAU OF NAVAL WEAPONS WAS WRITING A LETTER IN ANSWER TO MINE TO THE SEC. THIS LETTER WAS BEING WRITTEN AT THE VERY TIME THAT THE SUBMARINE THRESHER WAS MAKING HER LAST DIVE WITH 129 YOUNG AMERICANS ABOARD.

THE PRESIDENT OF THE U. S. AND 129 OTHER YOUNG AMERICANS HAVE MET VIOLENT DEATHS. HIGH NAVAL OFFICALS, NAVAL INTELLIGENCE AND OTHER OFFICALS WERE WARNED THAT THESE TRAGEDIES MIGHT HAPPEN. Out of funds appropriated by congress each year, the yearly take of the BENDIX CORP. IS AROUND \$500 Millions. I have AUTHENTI NAVY/ BENDIX DOCUMENTS THAT PROVE THAT THE BENDIX CORP. OBTAINED MANY MILLIONS OF DOLLARS ON THE NAVY MK46 PROJECT BY FRAUDULENT METHODS.

EFB

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260 N. E. 12th
Portland, Oregon
Feb. 12, 1964

Harry McCormick
The Dallas News
Dallas, Texas

Dear Mr. McCormick:

Thank you very much for your letter....Enclosed is a signed statement regarding the letter written by Edward F. Bray to John Connally. That letter was dropped in an out of way mail box shortly after 6pm on August 12, 1963. It would have been picked up at 1:30pm on Aug. 13. It was sent regular mail, no return address on the envelope. It should have reached Austin by the 16th.

If you will check the photostat for the month of August which we sent you under the 23rd you will see this note "Herder & P. Inspt.". Mr. Louis B. Herder, Naval Intelligence Officer (Office 511 N.W. Broadway) and a U.S. Postal Inspector came to our house. Mr. Bray spread various photostats on the table and again Mr. Herder refused to discuss them with Mr. Bray.

Mr. Herder talked to Mr. Bray about various groups of "ism" people who had contacted Mr. Bray. An organization in Texas and Ohio was discussed. Mr. Bray told the Postal Inspector "Here are copies of various letters written by me, also replies from high Navy and Govt. Officials." I heard my husband tell the Postal Inspector "I have never sent anything through the mails without my signature and address on it. I have documentary proof to back up anything I sent through the mails." The Postal Inspector looked over various documents and photostats and then the 2 men left our house.

On Aug. 27 you will see this note "Herder Called". Mr. Herder and Mr. Bray discussed at great length the afore mentioned organizations. Under Aug. 28 is the note "no. left Ann Sullivan". Ann Sullivan is an AP reporter here in Portland. Mr. Bray had informed her office that he had some information that he felt should be made public. Mr. Herder knew all about Ann Sullivan. He told Mr. Bray "THE MEN OF THE THRESHER ARE DEAD. Photostats of some of the letters written by NAVAL OFFICIALS and YOU have fallen into the hands of the next of kin. It is causing them untold grief." He asked Mr. Bray if he had taken part in any of these "ism" groups and Mr. Bray told him "NO". Then Mr. Herder asked him to refrain from any participation in any organization that might be trying to cause the Navy trouble. Mr. Bray voluntarily agreed to not furnish anyone with photostats, but would wait a reasonable length of time to allow Navy to make a full investigation.

Nov. 24 (Sunday). Mr. Herder came to our house. He and Mr. Bray had a lengthy discussion. Nov. 26, Mr. Sherk of the local office of the FBI called. He stated, "When officials in Texas who are investigating the case come across your letter to Gov. Connally they will contact us at once. We don't want to look like fools up here, Bray did you write the letter?" Mr. Bray answered "YES". In answer to your question "was it received by the governor? I have no way of knowing if the letter was received or not, however, isn't it reasonable to assume that the letter was received by the governor?"

Sincerely yours,

(signed) Ruth Bray. (Mrs. E. F.)

We use a large "Date Calendar" to make notes on of tele calls, milk deliveries, appointments, callers, etc. The photostat referred to in the above letter was made from the MONTH OF AUGUST, 1963 of this calendar.