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*copy of letter to President JOHN F. KENNEDY*

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(FBI)

DALLAS--J. GORDON SHANKLIN, IN CHARGE OF THE DALLAS FBI OFFICE, TODAY MADE PUBLIC A LETTER FROM POLICE CHIEF JESSE CURRY, DENYING THAT THE FBI EVER ASKED CURRY TO "COVER UP" THE FACT THAT THE FBI KNEW LEE HARVEY OSWALD WAS IN DALLAS BEFORE THE KENNEDY ASSASSINATION.

SHANKLIN WROTE CURRY OCT. 13:

"BASED UPON A LETTER WHICH YOU ARE QUOTED BY NEWS SERVICES AS WRITING TO THE PRESIDENT'S COMMISSION IN MAY, 1964, CERTAIN MEMBERS OF THE NEWS MEDIA ARE INDICATING THAT I AM SUPPOSED TO HAVE ASKED YOU TO COVER UP THE FACT THAT THE FBI KNEW LEE HARVEY OSWALD WAS IN DALLAS, TEX., PRIOR TO THE ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY. I WILL APPRECIATE YOUR CLARIFYING THIS MATTER.

"YOU WILL RECALL THAT ON THE OCCASION OF MY CALL TO YOU ON NOV. 23, 1963, I SPECIFICALLY ASKED THAT YOU RETRACT YOUR STATEMENTS THAT THE FBI HAD INTERVIEWED OSWALD IN DALLAS AND THAT THE FBI HAD OSWALD UNDER SURVEILLANCE IN DALLAS. I ASKED THIS RETRACTION BECAUSE THE FBI DID NOT HAVE OSWALD UNDER SURVEILLANCE, NOR DID WE INTERVIEW HIM IN DALLAS. AT NO TIME DID I ASK YOU TO 'COVER UP' FOR THE FBI OR OTHERWISE CHANGE YOUR STATEMENT."

CURRY'S REPLY, AS RELEASED BY SHANKLIN, SAID:

"NEITHER YOU NOR ANYONE CONNECTED WITH THE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION EVER ASKED ME TO 'COVER UP' THE FACT THAT THE FBI KNEW LEE HARVEY OSWALD WAS IN DALLAS, TEX., PRIOR TO THE ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY.

"THIS IS IN REPLY TO YOUR LETTER OF OCT. 13, 1964."

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