



FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C.

To: **FBI, Dallas (89-43)**

Date: **November 26, 1963**

**ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT
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J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover, Director

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D-436515 ET

Requested by: **Dallas**
Reference: **Letter 11/24/63**
Examination requested: **Photographic**
Remarks:

Based on the comparison of Qc31 with other photographs of the murder rifle, it has been determined that the rifle shown in Qc31 is similar in all respects and possibly depicts the same rifle. There is a rather long, cut mark on the stock of the murder weapon just above the trigger guard; and by the use of highlighting, a mark was located on the rifle in the photograph, Qc31, which supports the possibility that they are one and the same.

Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

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Qc31 Photograph of **LEE HARVEY OSWALD** holding in his left hand a bolt action rifle, in his right hand a newspaper reading in part "The Worker" and with a pistol in a holster on his right hip

Result of examination:

Because the photograph, Qc31, of OSWALD shows very little detail, a comparison between the rifle in the picture Qc31 and the other photographs available in the Laboratory of the rifle does not permit a definite determination that the gun held by OSWALD in Qc31 is the murder weapon.

Qc31 is retained.**JCC:GFM (5)**