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Mr. Sam F. Gomberg 677.West End Avenue New York 25, New York

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Dear Mr. Gomberg:

At times of stress, individuals are quick to find fault. More often than not they speak without any knowledge of the facts. Unfortunately your telegram of November 23, 1963, indicates unfamiliarity with our urisdiction. ñe

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At this time in the Nation's bereavement, I am disturbed by your unfounded accusation of negligence and feel it necessary to inform you that the protection of the President and his immediate family is the responsibility of the Secret Service of the United States Treasury Department and not the FBL Secret Service Agents were with the President at the time he was assassinated, and they, as any reasonable person would realize, are particularly grieved over this tragedy and need support rather than criticism during this trying time.

	•	Sincerely yours,
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