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SUBJECT: ASSASSINATION OF THE PRESIDENT

I talked to Inspector Malley at Dallas this morning and advised him that there is concern here in Washington in that the Washington Post has a story that a Presidential commission is to be appointed to go into the Oswald matter; that this is not true; that the truth is that (1) the FBI is making investigation into both the Oswald and the Ruby cases, and (2) District Attorney Wade is to have a special court of inquiry assembled, which is possible under Texas law; Wade will handle the presentation of evidence.

I told Mr. Malley that he should get in touch with Attorney Wade and make it clear that we are making our investigations and are perfectly willing to cooperate with him in every respect; that any evidence we have will be made available at the proper time in connection with such a court of inquiry and, if desired, our agents will testify.

Mr. Malley called me back at 12:25 p.m. to advise that he had talked to Wade. Wade said he understood the Mayor of Dallas was in Washington and had commented that there might be a special inquiry of some nature, but he had not been specific. Wade said a special court of inquiry can be called by any justice of the peace if he so desires. Wade said he is personally opposed to any such inquiry now, but that at some later time he feels something should be done to let the public know the true facts regarding Oswald and the assassination of the President.

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Wade said he intends to have a grand jury in Dallas receive the facts regarding the Ruby shooting of Oswald; that this will be done tomorrow and he expects to have an indictment for murder shortly after 9 a.m. tomorrow. He said he wants to proceed quickly on this to avoid any hearing prior to indictment.

Inspector Malley told Wade that in the event there is a special court of inquiry we would like to give full cooperation in every way; that the evidence we have will be made available at the appropriate time and, if desired, our agents will testify.

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