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URGENT 11/23/63 8-53 PM BPN

TO DIRECTOR AND SAC, DALLAS

FROM SAC BALTIMORE

ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY

RE BALTIMORE TELS TO BUREAU THIS DATE RE WILLIAM L. NORDEN.

MRS. THELMA CLINE RECONTACTED EARLY A. M. THIS DATE, ADVISED NORDEN HAD LEFT HOME PRIOR TO SIX A. M. AFTER HAVING ARRIVED AT HIS ROOM APPROXIMATELY THREE A. M. SHE ADVISED NORDEN HAD APPOINTMENT WITH ATTORNEY DAVID GRANT, HYATTSVILLE, MD. ELEVEN A. M. GRANT CONTACTED ADVISED NORDEN VERY QUIET WHEN NOT DRINKING, BUT MAKES MANY QUOTE STRANGE, END QUOTE PHONE CALLS AT ODD HOURS WHEN INTOXICATED. GRANT ADVISED HE WOULD BE WILLING TO HAVE NORDEN INTERVIEWED AT HIS OFFICE.

NORDEN INTERVIEWED BY BUREAU AGENTS, REQUESTED PRESENCE OF GRANT DURING INTERVIEW. HE ADVISED HE WAS IN BED AT CLINE RESIDENCE AT TWO A. M. TODAY AND DID NOT MAKE CALL TO MPD. NORDEN GAVE RAMBLING STATEMENT WHICH WAS CONTRADICTORY AS TO DATES, PLACES, NAMES AND DESCRIPTIONS. HE REFERRED TO A TRIP HE MADE TO FLORIDA FOR THREE WEEKS, QUOTE OVER LABOR DAY, END QUOTE, OR LAST APRIL. HE SAID QUOTE WHILE IN FLORIDA, HE MET A CUBAN WHOSE NAME HE RECALLED TO BE LEE HARRY OSWALD. HE ADVISED THE SUSPECT IN JAIL IN DALLAS

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WAS NOT THE PERSON WHO ASSASSINATED THE PRESIDENT AND THAT INVESTIGATIVE EFFORTS SHOULD BE DIRECTED TOWARD CASTRO. BOTH GRANT AND CLINE ADVISED NORDEN HAS BEEN AWAY FROM LOCAL AREA FOR PAST NINE MONTHS AND WAS EMOTIONALITY UNSTABLE ESPECIALLY WHEN DRINKING. CLINE PREVIOUSLY ADVISED NORDEN AT HOME UNTIL THREE A. M. THIS DATE.

IN VIEW OF APPARENT BASELESS REMARKS BY NORDEN NO FURTHER CONTACT WITH NORDEN CONTEMPLATED, UACB.

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