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MEMORANDUM FOR

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ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY

I also advised the Attorney General that with regard to Oswald that we have 500,000 nuts, Communists and hate-mongers in our files and unless there is some indication of violence or mental instability we don't advise of the names; that in New York City we have 25,000 who are on index who are hate-mongers and that unless we have been given some indication of their being unstable we don't furnish the names to the Secret Service; that we have to use some discretion; that if we gave names the first thing the Secret Service would do is to have them arrested and that one could imagine what would happen if these were arrested and turned loose as having their names given by the FBI; that we would have the reputation for being a secret police. I stated that any positive information we have is given to the Secret Service.

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