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December 26, 1963

Miss Lillian E. Donoghue
112 North Main Street
Northboro, Massachusetts

Dear Miss Donoghue:

Your letter of December 17th has been received.

Unfortunately your comments indicate unfamiliarity with our jurisdiction. I 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 FBI. Secret Service agents were with the President at the time he was assassinated.

Obviously, as a Federal Investigative agency, it is our obligation to disseminate information coming to our attention which indicates potential danger to the President or his family. In this regard I can assure you the FBI promptly advises the Secret Service of any data within our possession pertinent to this responsibility; however, the information we had regarding Oswald gave absolutely no clue indicating he was a potential assassin.

I am enclosing an editorial which I hope you will find of interest.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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Enclosure

NOTE: Correspondent is not identifiable in Bufiles. The enclosure was an editorial entitled "The Secret Service and the FBI," Evening Star, 12-19-63.

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