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To: SAC, Minneapolis (62-3114)

From: Director, FBI (62-109060)

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ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT  
JOHN F. KENNEDY  
DALLAS, TEXAS  
11-22-63

EX-109

ReMPairtels to the Bureau dated 1-8-64 and 1-9-64 relating to investigation of one Edwin Sherman.

Minneapolis is instructed to furnish full details relating to investigation of this matter in a form suitable for dissemination. Copies should be furnished to Bureau and Dallas and a copy should be submitted for the information of Secret Service locally.

Based on information available, no information identifiable with Edwin Sherman could be located in Bufiles.

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NOTE:

On 12-31-63 an anonymous telegram from Minneapolis, Minnesota was received at the Bureau alleging "a highly unusual slant" with regard to the assassination of President Kennedy could be obtained by reviewing a Western Union telegram sent to the editor of Life Magazine on 12-22-63 by the anonymous sender. It appeared this communication was authored by a religious fanatic or a mentally disturbed person; however, in view of the allegation reasonable efforts were made to check this information out.

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- Tolson \_\_\_\_\_
- Belmont \_\_\_\_\_
- Mohr \_\_\_\_\_
- Casper \_\_\_\_\_
- Callahan \_\_\_\_\_
- Conrad \_\_\_\_\_
- DeLoach \_\_\_\_\_
- Evans \_\_\_\_\_
- Malone \_\_\_\_\_
- Rosen \_\_\_\_\_
- Sullivan \_\_\_\_\_
- Tavel \_\_\_\_\_
- Trotter \_\_\_\_\_
- Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_
- Holmes \_\_\_\_\_
- Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

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Handwritten initials and signatures, including "JFK" and "RJ".

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Minneapolis through its sources has tentatively identified the sender of the 12-12-63 communication as Edwin Sherman, an itinerant who has been described as a self-styled writer, intellectual, eccentric and nonconformist and a "crackpot." The 12-12-63 communication to the editor of Life contained a hodgepodge of unrelated and confusing ramblings and nothing of interest to the investigation was found. It is pointed out that Sherman is reported to have a great interest in the "Pythagoras Numbers Formula and astrology." In the communication Sherman alleges he could have predicted President Kennedy's assassination.

While it does not appear Sherman is a threat as such to the President, it is very likely he will communicate with the Secret Service in the future if he has not done so already. Since our investigative results are readily available, dissemination of this information to Secret Service could conceivably save them considerable investigative time and effort and would serve as a cooperative function with this agency. Therefore, above instructions have been issued. When the LHM is received, it will be disseminated to Secret Service.