

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : Mr. Belmont *MB*

FROM : A. Rosen *AR*

SUBJECT: ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT  
JOHN F. KENNEDY 11/22/63  
DALLAS, TEXAS  
 Bufile 62-109060 (1 - 62-109090)

DATE: 1/17/64

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J. Lee Rankin, General Counsel, Presidential Commission, requested that the alleged statement of Reverend William H. Dickerson, Jr., that he overheard a young couple state two days prior to President Kennedy's assassination that "they hated the President of the United States and that they did not care one bit if someone did take a potshot at him"; be resolved.

DETAILS:

By letter dated January 15, 1964, J. Lee Rankin, General Counsel, Presidential Commission, requested that we interview Rev. William H. Dickerson, Jr., apparently of Dallas, Texas. Enclosed with Mr. Rankin's letter was a letter from one Marshall W. Malone dated December 10, 1963, directed to the President's Commission, wherein he brought to the attention of the Commission the alleged statement of the Rev. Dickerson concerning a young unidentified couple who stated they hated the President of the United States and that they would not care one bit if somebody did take a potshot at him. This allegedly occurred two days prior to the President's visit to Dallas.

Mr. Rankin requested that this Bureau locate and interview Rev. Dickerson, ascertain the identity of the unidentified young couple, and thereafter conduct an appropriate investigation into their alleged statements.

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Bureau files fail to indicate any information identifiable with Marshall W. Malone or the Rev. William H. Dickerson, Jr. *62-109060-2264*

ACTION:

(1) The field has been furnished full particulars on Rankin's request and instructed to immediately handle and furnish the Bureau the results of their inquiries without delay.

(2) The Bureau will follow this matter closely and insure that the results of our inquiries are promptly furnished to Mr. Rankin.

RDR:mpd (10) *1-15-64* 1 - Mr. DeLoach *W* 1 - Mr. Sullivan *JK*

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