

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

Mr. Belmont

DATE: 6/5/64

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SUBJECT: PRESIDENT'S COMMISSION
ASSASSINATION OF THE PRESIDENT

John F. Kennedy

Today while discussing other matters with Mr. J. Lee Rankin of the President's Commission, Mr. Rankin advised that the Chief Justice has indicated he would like to go to Dallas Sunday, June 7, 1964, and make a personal inspection of the various sites in Dallas relating to the assassination of President Kennedy. Mr. Rankin indicated he would accompany the Chief Justice and that Congressman Ford would possibly be in the Dallas area making a speech over the week end and might join the Chief Justice in Dallas. Mr. Rankin did not know at the time he talked to Malley whether Congressman Boggs would or would not make this trip. He stated that Secret Service was making the necessary arrangements for this trip and that it was planned that the group would leave on a military plane, probably at 6:00 a.m. Sunday morning and make the inspection as rapidly as possible and return to Washington the same day. Mr. Rankin asked Malley whether or not he would like to make this trip.

Mr. Rankin was advised that if the Commission desired Malley to accompany the group that he was ready and available to go at any time. Mr. Rankin stated that it was up to Malley whether he wanted to go. Malley repeated that he was most desirous of cooperating with the Commission fully and it was not a question of whether he desired to go but whether the Commission wanted him to go. At this time Mr. Rankin stated that he saw no real necessity for Malley making this trip inasmuch as it was to be merely an inspection so that the Chief Justice could familiarize himself with the surroundings in Dallas.

Mr. Rankin was again advised that Malley was completely agreeable to making the trip if the Commission desired it and he would be available on short notice if it was desired that he go to Dallas. Mr. Rankin was advised that if any situation of any kind came up where the assistance of the FBI in Dallas was desired, he should feel free to get in touch with the SAC, Mr. Shanklin. Mr. Rankin stated he appreciated this but could not foresee at this time any reason to call for assistance from our Dallas Office.

ACTION: In view of Mr. Rankin's comment that he saw no reason for Malley to make this trip, Malley will not go to Dallas on Sunday unless a request is received.

Dallas has been advised of the proposed trip and the possibility that the Commission staff may contact them on Sunday.

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