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To: SAC, Dallas (89-43)
From: Director, FBI (62-109060) ^{REC-31} - 3857

ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT
JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY
11-22-63, DALLAS, TEXAS
MISC. - INFO CONCERNING

ReCVairtel and enclosed letterhead memorandum dated 10-19-64, and Dallas airtel 10-20-64, concerning Michael Opalinski. Your attention is also directed to All SAC airtel 10-6-64, in the above caption.

Copies of Cleveland's letterhead memorandum will be disseminated to U. S. Secret Service Headquarters. In view of Opalinski's allegation that [redacted] had stated he, [redacted] "had killed President Kennedy," Cleveland should insure that [redacted] is located and appropriately interviewed. The results of investigation should be incorporated in appropriate inserts and furnished to Dallas for subsequent reporting in line with the instructions set out in All SAC airtel 10-6-64. Cleveland should also be alert for the development of information on Opalinski [redacted] it should be incorporated in your investigative results. Insure local Cleveland authorities alerted to allegations made by Opalinski particularly concerning [redacted] reported threat to kill him.

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COMM-FBI

The action of Dallas in destroying the inserts furnished by Cleveland was premature. In the future, should you desire to take similar action, good judgment would dictate that an appropriate communication be submitted to the Bureau on a UACB basis permitting sufficient time for the Bureau to evaluate your action. Dallas will be responsible for obtaining sufficient copies of destroyed inserts.

- Tolson _____
- Belmont _____
- Mohr _____
- DeLoach _____
- Casper _____
- Callahan _____
- Conrad _____
- Evans _____
- Gale _____
- Rosen _____
- Sullivan _____
- Tavel _____
- Trotter _____
- Tele. Room _____
- Holmes _____
- Gandy _____

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NOTE:

Opalinski, [redacted] furnished Cleveland information that [redacted] claimed to have killed Kennedy and also threatened Opalinski. Dissemination of Cleveland letterhead memorandum sent to Secret Service locally and in Washington, D. C. It is felt that our responsibilities in the assassination require additional investigation and that this information be subsequently reported and appropriately disseminated. Dallas was impulsive in destroying Cleveland inserts and the above caution being sent to avoid any further misunderstanding.