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ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY 🚎 . NOVELBER 22, 1963 DALLAS, TEXAS.

This is to confirm the telephonic conversations between Mr. Joseph J. Cella and Special Agent Kenneth H. Raupach on November 15, 1965, and November 17, 1965.

On November 15, 1965, Mr. Cella advised that Assistant United States Attorney B. H. Timmins, Jr., Dallas; Texas, required a chronology reflecting the location of the assassination rifle and the revolver used in the killing of Dallas Police Officer J. D. Tippit.

Mr. Cella was advised this Bureau would take immediate steps to obtain the information Mr. Timmins desired which information was located both at the Headquarters of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Washington, D. C., and in our Dallas Office.

On November 17, 1965, Kr. Cella was advised that the information relating to this matter available at the Federal Bureau of Investigation Headquarters had been furnished to our Dallas Office. In turn, our Dallas Office was incorporating all of the information Mr. Timmins desired into an appropriate communication which would be furnished: to Assistant United States Attorney Timmins. Kr. Cella was advised he would be furnished a copy of the communication furnished to Assistant United States Attorney Timmins upon receipt at the Federal Bureau of Investigation Headquarters. This communication has been received and a copy is enclosed for your information.

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NOTE:

This matter concerns the forfeiture proceedings instituted by the Government in Dallas to permanently acquire the assassination rifle and the revolver used by Lee Harvey Oswald to kill Police Officer Tippit. In connection with this matter, the Government has actually filed a Libel of Information against the rifle and pistol alleging false entries were made in the records required by regulations to be maintained by licensed dealers in firearms. Theoretically, such a record would not be accurate as the dealer who sold the aforementioned firearms have these weapons recorded in the name of A. J. Hidell. On the basis of these facts, this matter is king handled through the Alcohol and Tobacco Tax Unit of the Department of Treasury in Dallas to prevent John J. King of Denver from acquiring these weapons as sole owner. The Dallas communication was expeditiously needed by the AUSA Dallas, in connection with hearings in U. S. District Court, Dallas, on 11/24/65. This communication confirms the contact with the Department and reveals the results of our efforts to assist in this matter.