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ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY NOVEMBER 22, 1963 DALLAS, TEXAS

On May 5, 1967, our New Orleans Office advised that a deputy sheriff, Parish of Orleans, Louisiana, appeared at the New Orleans Office that date and requested to speak with Special Agents Regis L. Kennedy and Warren C. De Brueys of this Bureau. The receptionist of our New Orleans Office C advised the deputy sheriff that Special Agent De Brueys was no longer assigned to the New Orleans Office (Special Agent De Brueys is now assigned to FBI Headquarters, Washington, D. C.), but that she would get in touch with Special Agent UNZEKER Kennedy who was in the office. Coupt

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attempt to const them coloring CRIMINAL Distant sheriff, the latter handed him two subpoenas, identical in all respects, except one was addressed to him at the FBI office and the other was addressed to him at his residence. Special Agent Kennedy noted that the deputy sheriff also had, subpoenas for Special Agent De Brueys, but after being advised Special Agent De Brueys was no longer assigned to the New Orleans Office, the deputy sheriff made no further reference to Special Agent De Brueys.

The subpoena directed to Special Agent Kennedy is lated May 5, 1967, and states as follows: "You are hereby summoned to appear before Grand Jury in the Criminal District Court, Section 'H,' for the Parish of Orleans, on the tenth day of May, in the year of our Lord 1967, at eleven o'clock

a. m., to testify the truth according to your knowledge, in such matters as may be required of you. On arriving at the may 12 157 courtroom, you will report to the sheriff with this summons, and you are not to fail herein, under a penalty of a fine of \$250**,**"

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## The Attorney General

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For your information, Special Agents Kennedy and De Brueys have both conducted extensive investigation in New Orleans in captioned matter. The names of both of these Special Agents appear in the Warren Commission Report.

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For your added information, United States Attorney Louis C. Lacour, New Orleans, Louisiana, was contacted by our New Orleans Office and was advised of the subpoena which was issued to Special Agent Kennedy and of the attempted service of a subpoena on Special Agent De Brueys. Mr. Lacour advised that he would not grant any authority for these Agents to appear and testify, and that he intended to immediately discuss this matter with the Department of Justice by telephone so that appropriate steps could be taken.

United States Attorney Lacour further advised that any attempt to serve a subpoena on a Special Agent of this Bureau who was not in the State of Louisiana need not be honored, as in the case of Special Agent De Brueys, and that in the event it became necessary for Special Agent Kennedy to appear before the Criminal District Court for the Parish of Orleans as requested, Special Agent Kennedy would be represented by United States Attorney Lacour or a duly designated attorney of the Department of Justice. United States Attornoy Lacour further advised that after his discussion with the Department of Justice, he would be in contact with our New Orleans Office. 

We have been advised by Mr .- Nathaniel E. Kossack, Criminal Division of the Department of Justice, that the United States Attorney in Now Orleans will attempt to gunsh the subpoenas on May 8, 1967. If the United States Attorney is not successful, we assume that he will appear in court on May 10, 1967, with Special Agent Kennedy. In such case, we also assume that the United States Attorney will inform the court or other appropriate authority of the provisions of Departmental Order 324-64, which was signed by the Attorney General October 8, 1964, and which was published in the Federal Register October 10, 1964. This Departmental Order deals with the confidential character of Department of Justice records and information.

Any additional information that comes to our attention in this matter will be immediately furnished to yo

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## NOTE:

The information set forth herein was furnished by New Orleans teletype dated 6:55 pm, 5-5-67. In accordance with the instructions set out in the Manual of Rules and Regulations, Section Eight, Part II, page ten, we are directing this letter to the Attorney General to advise him of receipt of the subpoena by Special Agent Kennedy. While the subpoena does not specify the specific nature of the court's interest in Special Agents Kennedy and De Brueys, it is noted that both have conducted extensive investigation of Lee Harvey Oswald and of the assassination in the New Orleans area and have prepared numerous FD-302 interview forms which set out the results of their investigation. It is noted that Special Agent Kennedy interviewed Dean Andrews on several occasions and also took part in our extensive investigation to locate "Clay Bertrand" whom, Andrews claimed contacted him telephonically immediately : after the assassination and requested Andrews to represent Lee Harvey Oswald. Our Agents, of course, will not testify to their investigation should the Department fail in its attempt to get the subpoenas quashed. The contact of Nathaniel E. Kossack of the Department, as mentioned herein, was with Section Chief Rex Schroder of the General Investigative Division.

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