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

The Sheriff's Office, Linn County, Linneus, Missouri, on November 13, 1967, advised that it had arrested Raymond Walters, FBI #971 620 E, on November 1, 1967. Walters was a parole violator for bad checks as of April 11, 1963, when he was paroled with the provision he make restitution. He failed and fled the area and his parole was revoked July 11, 1963. On his arrest it was determined that he was absent without official leave from the Army, Army Serial Number 56 70 35 30. He was sentenced to ninety days in the County Jail in default of payment of \$500.00 and \$18.50 fine. The magistrate judge made provision that Walters might use the telephone in order to contact sources to raise this amount. Military authorities were advised of Walters' location and a hold was placed against him.

On July 11 and July 2, 1967, Walters made numerous long-distance collect telephone calls, and on November 3, 1967, a Mr. Jim Adcock, Assistant District Attorney in the Office of Mr. Garrison, New Orleans, Louisiana, called Walters between 2:30 and 3:00 p.m.

At 1:45 p.m., on November 13, 1967, Jim Adcock identifying himself as Assistant to Mr. Garrison, called again and had a protracted telephone conversation with Walters. He first asked Walters if he could talk freely and when Walters answered he could not, he asked if he could talk and Walters said that he could. Adcock mentioned a photograph which his office was desirous of obtaining before February 14, 1968, when he stated, "That's the day the lid will blow off." Walters stated this photograph was in possession of a friend of his,

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a minister, in Dallas, Texas, but he would not identify him further. He stated that in July or August of 1963 he was in Dallas with this minister for about a month and saw this photograph. Walters told Adcock that Ruby and Oswald were in Cuba together two months prior to the assassination of President Kennedy. Adcock then asked, "How in hell did they get in Cuba?". Walters replied, "I don't know, if I could talk with you, I could tell you more." Adcock asked what they were doing in Cuba, and Walters replied, "Oil deal". Adcock said, "The other day you said they were south of the border, did you mean Mexico?". Walters said, "No". Adcock said, "Where do you mean?". Walters said "South of Florida." Adcock asked, "Do you mean Cuba?", and Walters replied, "Yes."

Walters then said, "Supposedly while they were down there, Oswald and Ruby were seen holding a rifle."

Walters mentioned that he was a friend of Jack Ruby and was with Ruby about a month prior to the assassination of Kennedy in Dallas and stated he has not been in Dallas since that time. Walters mentioned that he, Ruby and others met at a lounge or eating place north of Dallas on occasions with Oswald.

Adcock asked if he would name the place and Walters said, "North of Dallas, that's all I'll say over the phone." Walters said there was a meeting place thirty miles north of Columbus (it is to be noted that in 1964, Walters was employed at Lazarus Store, Columbus, and lived in nearby Greenfield, Ohio). Walters mentioned something about Adcock coming to Linneus, Missouri, and paying his fine. Adcock stated under no circumstances could a member of his office come there. He stated this would be unethical and "impractical" as they are already "hot on our tails". He added, "We cannot afford this news to get out." He then stated, "We will pay your travel expenses and pay you handsomely to get you down here but we cannot come there." Apparently, Adcock did not realize Walters was being held on a ninety-day sentence as when he learned it, he said, "Hell Boy, we gotta have you down here before February 14, 1968, and before the Army gets you because as soon as your time is done, you'll be turned over to the military."

Adcock asked Walters if "there is anyway to slip a letter, in code, out of the jail in order to furnish me the names and places." He indicated the letter should be addressed to Jim Adcock, 27 Lane Avenue, city not listed. Walters said he would try to do this. Adcock, according to the source, when the conversation began, asked if any of the boys had come through with the money and seemed surprised to learn that they had not. Walters suggested that Adcock's office have a subpoena issued for him to appear in New Orleans in order to get him out of jail. Adcock said, "This is out of the question. You have to specify the purpose in the subpoena. It is public and everyone in the country would get hold of the information and besides, the subpoena would not be valid in Missouri." Adcock said, "Someone might get to you in jail. Walter said, "This is possible, but I'm not afraid." Adcock then said, "If I come there, can we talk in private." Walter said, "I think so."

The source of this information advised that Walters, white, male, age 25, born Brookfield, Missouri, May 17, 1942, 5'8½" tall, 165 pounds, blue eyes, black hair, has been described by his father as a two-faced, conniving, unreliable person.

The source further stated he is not sure whether Walters may possess information of benefit to Mr. Garrison's office or whether he saw an opportunity to obtain money for his release from jail by indicating that he has information as to the association of Ruby, Oswald and others in the Kennedy assassination.