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Attached memorandum from the Department requests certain information from the Bureau relative to a suit being brought against the Government by Dr. John Nichols (Kansas City) to release data pertaining to the assassination of former President John F. Kennedy. It is noted most of the material sought by Nichols pertains to the autopsy and does not affect FBI. However, Nichols does include a request for information concerning certain Laboratory examinations made by the FBI Laboratory.

Nichols is a loudmouth who has communicated with the FBI on several previous occasions, giving every indication he wants to "use" the FBI in connection with a personal project involving a book which he is preparing. By airtel dated 9/25/68 (attached), the Kansas City Office previously advised that Nichols in an address before a local Bar Association and Medical Society was critical of the FBI investigation and made derogatory comments concerning the FBI. This airtel advised that Nichols indicated he planned to file a suit against the FBI.

Necessary data requested by the Department is being expeditiously assembled and an appropriate recommendation and proposed reply will be submitted for approval.

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