

Memorandum

TO: MR. CALLAHAN

DATE: 10/21/75

FROM: J. B. ADAMS *JBA*

SUBJECT: ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY

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On 10/21/75 former SAC Gordon Shanklin telephoned me and advised he is receiving a considerable number of inquiries from the news media in response to my testimony today before the Subcommittee on Civil and Constitutional Rights. In that connection, I read to him that portion of my testimony which pertained to him.

Mr. Shanklin offered new observations concerning former Assistant Director William C. Sullivan's statement that Shanklin had advised him of a problem involving Hosty and a threatening message from Oswald. Mr. Shanklin stated that after thinking about this whole matter, he definitely feels what Mr. Sullivan was referring to was not the alleged note left by Oswald at the Dallas Office. After deliberating, Mr. Shanklin stated he feels very strongly that what Sullivan was referring to was the problem involving SA James P. Hosty and Lt. Jack Revill of the Dallas Police Department. That problem arose out of a statement by Revill to the effect that he, Revill, had met Hosty in the Dallas Police station on 11/22/63 after the apprehension of Oswald. Lt. Revill alleged that Hosty stated to him at that time that the FBI was aware of Oswald's presence in Dallas and knew that Oswald could be a threat to the President. In testimony before the Warren Commission, SA Hosty denied making such a statement to Lt. Revill. However, at the time, Chief of Police J. E. Curry appeared on national television and indicated, in effect, that the FBI knew Oswald was in Dallas, had interviewed him, but had not advised the Dallas Police Department of his presence. SAC Shanklin contacted Chief Curry on 11/23/63 and pointed out to the Chief that the FBI was under no obligation to furnish information on all security subjects in the Dallas area to the Dallas Police Department as well as the fact that the FBI had not interviewed Oswald. Chief Curry subsequently appeared on television and retracted his prior statement.

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None / Information only

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- 1 - Mr. Bassett
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