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CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION
ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY

Attached from New York contains the results of a reinter-
view requested by Edward J. Epstein, Investigative Writer,
"Readers Digest Magazine", who is writing a book concerning
Lee Harvey Oswald. Epstein furnished additional info concern-
ing George De Morenschildt, who committed suicide on 3/29/77,
and De Morenschildt's association with Dutch journalist,
Willem Oltmans, who claimed De Morenschildt had personal
knowledge concerning the assassination of President Kennedy by
Oswald. Epstein stated that based on his interviews with
De Morenschildt prior to his suicide, Oltmans' claim is
absolutely false. Epstein advised that De Morenschildt did go
to Belgium during the early part of March to meet Oltmans
so that De Morenschildt could meet with a "mystic" and by
doing so they could write a book about the assassination. Due
to set-backs and crises in De Morenschildt's personal and
professional life, he had agreed to Oltmans' request and he
was paid \$5,000. Epstein said he obtained fragmentary
references to the Belgium trip and DeMorenschildt indicated
Oltmans and his associates whom he met were "nuts" and "homo-
sexuals". Epstein ascertained from De Morenschildt that
Oltmans was looking for revelations and wanted to put words in
De Morenschildt's mouth. In addition, they gave him no peace
and hassled and badgered him resulting in De Morenschildt's
running away from Oltmans. Thereafter, De Morenschildt
stayed with a friend in Belgium, which residence was
verified by a "Readers Digest" representative.

Concerning De Morenschildt's relationship with a Polish
diplomat in Haiti during 1963-65, Epstein advised that when
he questioned De Morenschildt about this individual he at
first did not recall him, but then recalled he had met this
diplomat in 1961 in Central America and renewed the
acquaintance in 1963 in Haiti. De Morenschildt considered
this diplomat highly intelligent and well informed and they
usually talked of world affairs.

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