

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : W. C. Sullivan

DATE: 4-28-64

FROM : W. A. Branigan

SUBJECT: LEE HARVEY OSWALD
INTERNAL SECURITY - RUSSIA - CUBA

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Re memorandum Branigan to Sullivan dated 4-10-64 (attached) which dealt with a highly critical, full page ad which appeared in the "Dallas Morning News" on the morning of November 22, 1963, entitled "Welcome, Mr. Kennedy to Dallas," which was signed by the "American Fact Finding Committee, Bernard Weissman, Chairman, Post Office Box 1792, Dallas 21, Texas." We learned the money for this ad was solicited by Joseph P. Grinnan, Dallas independent oil man. At the request of the President's Commission, we interviewed Mr. Grinnan April 20, 1964, to determine the names of the contributors to this ad. Mr. Grinnan informed the Dallas Office he could think of approximately four individuals who contributed approximately \$1500, "give or take a \$100, which was used to pay for the ad in the Dallas newspaper. Mr. Grinnan stated he desired to contact each of these individuals prior to making these names available.

On April 23, 1964, Mr. Grinnan informed the Dallas Office he wanted to consult with his lawyer, Dr. Robert Morris, who is currently in the race for the Republican nomination for the U. S. Senate. He indicated Dr. Morris would probably be available April 24, 1964, after which time Grinnan would recontact the Dallas Office.

On April 24, 1964, Mr. Grinnan contacted the Dallas Office and stated the contributors to the fund which was used in payment of the "Dallas Morning News" advertisements were as follows:

H. K. Bright, an independent oil operator with offices in the Mercantile Commerce Building, Dallas, Texas

Edgar Crissey, an insurance man with offices in the Fidelity Union Life Building, Dallas, Texas, who resides at 3320 Villanova Street, Dallas, Texas

Nelson Bunker Hunt, an independent oil man with offices in the Mercantile Securities Building, Dallas, Texas, who is the son of H. L. Hunt, a well-known Dallas oil man.

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Mr. Grinnan stated that all of the afore-mentioned persons reside in Dallas, Texas. He added he did not know the amounts each of the contributors gave to the fund but felt that they had solicited funds from others for the purpose of paying for the ad. He also stated he at first thought he (Grinnan) had been a contributor to the fund, but had determined, upon checking, that he had not contributed anything towards the fund used for the payment of the ad in question.

ACTION:

(1) Attached is a letter to the President's Commission furnishing results of our contact with Grinnan in this matter.

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(2) Attached are letters to the Attorney General and Honorable Walter W. Jenkins, Special Assistant to the President, also furnishing results of our inquiries in this matter in view of the nation-wide interest in the article in question.

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