

Clear that Hoover suspected a conspiracy in Oswald's murder. Hoover expects the CD-1 by Wednesday (11/27) This was before the Alvarado business hit the fan . . . and Keenan was dispatched to Mexico City. Attached see Hoover memo 10:25 A.M. Hoover noted that LBJ wanted as Hoover had suggested 11/24 (Day Oswald was murdered/no trial and testing of evidence) The report than made to the AG and the AG (Bobby) release from his office. (LBJ's hands are clean). See note attached in Chron—Master Copy re: Bobby's refusal to hand stamp official story.

11/25 Hoover memo 11:20 A.M. (62-109060-61) Recounts conversation w/ Jenkin. Hoover affirms that report (CD-1) will speak for itself. . . .These were Jenkins' words. . . .But Hoover said it would. Hoover said he was aiming for a deadline of Wednesday (11/27) for both reports: on Oswald and JFK murder and one on Ruby)****Batch B, # 7)

11/25/'63 Director to The AG (Katz) 62-109060-7 (Sect 1) No time of day But message says that enclosed "the results of our inquiry into the assassination of JFK w/ info relative to Lee Harvey Oswald. . . .(day after his murder the case was closed) . . . Effectively. . . (Copy of this found in LHO as sole suspect # 13).

11/25/'63 C.A. Evans to Belmont (62-109060-1399) Katz anxious that FBI investigative results be released to the public. Hoping it might be ready by the end of the week. Rush to close off all the speculation about Dallas being a conspiracy—domestic or foreign . (How much did Katz know by 11/25 about an Oswald imposter/and Oswald as CIA asset. . . .Clear that LBJ did not want the report issued from the White House(Macbeth syndrome). Batch A, # 1)

11/25/'63 Walter Jenkins record of conversations for the day: Note Abe Fortas spoke with Dean Acheson and said that a Commission would be a bad idea. (Batch B, No. # 5)

11/25/'63 DeLoach to Mohr (62-109060-unrec S. 6) FBI trying to get the Wash Post from writing an editorial stressing the need for a presidential commission. Post Wiggins refuses to accommodate. FBI furious. Dupe w/ Hal cover note (Batch B, #4; and Batch C, #4)

11/25/'63 Brennen to Sullivan (105-82555-199) FBI never checked on how Oswald left England on 10/10/'59 flight and got to Helsinki (esp. how did he know that Sov. Embassy was only one to clear visitor travel to USSR in 24 hrs. The only one on the planet. (I have a source for this some place. Possibly in DiEugenio's series of Bugsie. . . Batch B, # 10/ Need to see Simpich article on Oswald in Helsinki and how he entered the Soviet Union in a matter of days and Griggs on the up class hotels he stayed at in Helsinki. . . CIA/ONI operations/false defector programs. . .

11/25/'63 two FBI docs making the point that Oswald started work at the TSBD on Oct. 16 and never missed a day of work up to and including 1/22/'63 . . . Nov. 11 that was a national holiday.

11/25/'63 Hoover Memo 3:28 P.M. (62-109060-212) p. 2 Hoover has positive impression of Wade (he just learned from Jenkins that Wade was a FBI agent. Batch A, # 2. (Occasion for me to draw on evidence about Wade's record of being a {"hanging DA"}).

11/25 DeLoach to Mohr 11/25/'63 (62-109060-unclear S. 3) DeLoach makes clear he had objections (perhaps from Hoover or Mohr) of a proposed statement to the press coming from JD (Guthman) . . . Guthman returns call later that day and agrees with DeLoach. . . there will be no statement. . . ***Note see Doc. # 6 in CD-1A (p.# 3) folder for more insight into the FBI leaking strategy****

11/25/'63 DeLoach to Mohr (62-109060-362, S 5) He notes that on 11/24 word got out that Dallas police had pix of Oswald holding a rifle and a pistol. The newsman's inquiry was confirmed. The pix was found in Ruth Paine's garage. . . .(Note this search was conducted without a search warrant. Had there been a trial it would have been thrown out of court. . . (see Fredda Scoby RG 272 on this). Second point is the emerge in the media that the SS was charging that the FBI had interviewed Oswald recently and never told the FBI. This will prompt Hoover to get to Rowley to bug out . . .

11/25/'63 DeLoach to Mohr (62_109060-unrec. S.6) FBI trying to get the Wash Post from editorial on need for a Presidential Commission. Post's Wiggins refuses to accommodate. FBI furious. Dup/Hal cover note (batch B, no. # 4)

11/26/'63 Belmont to Sullivan (105-82555-243 S. 5) Key**** In the course of one day FBIHQ is confronted with the need to include "anything of relevance to the case" . . .to "settle the dust of Dallas." Which means to have answers to all those questions raised in the public and press. In short, CD 1 will not be released by the end of the week. . . See the fiction at bottom of p. 1 about the police turning over the evidence to the FBI. . . This was staged turning it over to a large degree except for the stuff in Paine's garage. . . See more on this key doc.***

11/26/'63 Baumgardner to Sullivan (62-109060-1696 S. 21) See Hoover's marginalia. He is not happy with the delay in "setting the dust of Dallas." The longer the FBI takes to get the report out the more bad press the FBI is getting or exposed to. . . (Doc. 7 in Batch A)***

11/26/'63 Evans to Belmont (62-109060-1490 S. 19). The Call from Hoover/Tolson to get the report out. See Tolson marginalia: "It seems we have the basic facts now." For more on this see CD-1A in Supplemental folder 2A***

@@@@ Odd inclusion Rosen to DeLoach 11/12/1966 where Rosen says that the basic investigation was substantially completed by 11/26/1963 @@@@ Make the most of it . . .Batch B, #15 (62-109060-NR). Be sure I ID Rosen as Ass. Director 11/26/'63 Hoover memo "wrap up investigation: seems we have the basic facts now." Citation listed as 62-109060-1490 (see Allen Tickler). Point: case set in concrete. . . .Did FBI intend to do any more investigation????***** There was hanging over the Oswald in Mexico business. . . Larry Keenan in Mexico. . .

11/26/'63 see box # 2 Folder 5 item #6 News story that DPD turned over evidence to FBI on 11/26 (this was staged for the press). Add to Master List***

11/26 DeLoach to Mohr 62-109060-1435 (sect. 1435) This doc makes clear that 11/26 is when the staged turn over of all the evidence from Dallas PD to FBI took place. . . with press coverage. . .

11/26/'63 NY Times story by Cabell Philips that LBJ ordered FBI to do a full investigation of all the facts, etc. . . This 11/26 date was LBJ's initial date he expected Hoover to have finished his "investigation" and have report ready to send to the White House. . . I need to find the doc. that denoted 11/26 as the date

11/27/'63 Courtney Evans to Belmont (62-109060-1669). Katz and the Wednesday timeline Hoover promised and will not be met. (Note: Hoover had sent Keenan to Mexico City to shut down Mann and the CIA talk about a Castro-Oswald connection.) This was a factor in holding back on CD-1. Hoover marginalia: Now he says we will give no "time table." At tale end of Hoover marginalia he notes that Mexico is a concern, etc. . . . ***** (note Katz comment of "resolving minutia" like whether LHO was a marksman or not. . . see Chron supplement #21.

What had changed? See above Batch B, # 7 when Hoover set Wednesday (11/27) when both reports would be ready for LBJ. Note Katz's response to critics who questioned Oswald's rifle skills. Katz calls this "minutia". See attached Hal's comment on this. . . . ***** (Batch B # 8). Note: Katz wants to control what the Texas Court of Inquiry might come up with because they might come up withy "some pertinent information not now known." In short p[lace in jeopardy the official story in the making. . . See Doc. 14 in SS 5.

11/27/'63 Belmont to Tolson 62-109060-1492 (Sect. 19) Notes FBI plans to have report on Oswald and Ruby by 11/29 (but investigation in both areas will continue . . . in the absence of being able to prove Oswald's motive and complete activities we must check and continue to investigate. . ." In short: verdict first and then investigate (Like the Queen in the Mad Hatter in Alice in Wonderland ***** Can I find this exact quote ***** I have filed this doc. w/ Chron Master Copy folder.

11/27/'63 Belmont to Tolson (105-82555-NR, Section 3) Now new date for CD 1 was moved to Friday (11/29) The cause for delay is hinted at: that there might be others involved—a conspiracy. Batch B, # 9). Original memo was 62-109060-1492 (S 19). Batch B, # 17 ***** See fuller development of this in item #22 in supplemental Chron. File. ***** This is well after the FBI leaking of conclusions of

CD-1 to the press following the Katz memo (Oswald did it alone; no conspiracy, etc) *****Key documents

11/27/'63 Handley to Rosen (62-109060-260-faded?/S. 3) Speed again to get CD 1 to the Pres. More needed on Oswald's finances. Malley responds to Handley that Dallas FBI has all the evidence back from the Dallas Police after the occasion for the press of the turning over of the evidence to the FBI(after the FBI returned it back to Dallas to keep up the fiction of chain of evidence.) Malley is put on notice to get the evidence back to FBI Hqers. . . .(Batch #B, #9A)

11/27/'63 Keenan was on a plane from Mexico City. **** That very day the FBI began leaking the conclusions of CD-1 (Oswald acting alone killed JFK. The agreed upon official account of Dallas). See Les Whitten in NY-Journal American on 11/27/'63 "Report to LBJ Calls Oswald the Assassin."

11/29/'63 Evans to Belmont (62-109090-2) LBJ decides to go w/ a Commission after resisting this from day one. Eastland determined to open his own investigation is a factor perhaps a determining one. . .

11/29/'63 President announces his Commission and the names of the commissioners and the task assigned to the Commission Batch B, #

11/29 /'63 SS Howlett referencing the Zapruder film notes that JFK struck w/ ist and third shots and Connally hit with the 2nd shot. (Commission No. 5) I should have this with FBI serial. . . Batch B, # 11). The movies Howlett refers to has to be the Zapruder film. Copy of doc. here is Commission No.5

11/29/'63 (62-109060-NR (section 1) re: Presidential statement about the case. Text of prepared statement has "Its report (FBI) . . . will quiet all rumors and speculation about the evidence." Report

11/29/'63 Gale to Tolson 105-82555-356 Hoover ordered a full investigation in the way the Bureau handled the Oswald matter. . . .Led to Gale in-house investigation. . . .

11/29/'63 LBJ summoned Warren to the WH and gave him the treatment to persuade him to Chair the Commission.