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Oswald  
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June 1, 1964

BY COURIER SERVICE

- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. Rosen
- 1 - Mr. Malley
- 1 - Mr. Shroder
- 1 - Mr. Rogge

Honorable J. Lee Rankin  
 General Counsel  
 The President's Commission  
 200 Maryland Avenue, Northeast  
 Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Rankin:

Reference is made to your letter dated February 24, 1964, and my letter dated March 9, 1964, relating to information furnished by Mr. Jones Harris of New York, involving Mr. Billy Nolan Lovelady's identification in a photograph taken by an Associated Press photographer.

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Enclosed are two copies of an article which appeared in the Magazine Section of the May 24, 1964, issue of the "New York Herald Tribune." This article written by Mr. Dom Bonafede relates to the photograph involving Mr. Lovelady.

It would appear from the above article that Mr. J. W. Altgens, Associated Press photographer, is the individual who took the picture in question and efforts are being made to locate and interview him. When the results of this interview are available, you will be appropriately advised.

Altgens  
 employed  
 by AP  
 in  
 Dallas

The enclosed article is furnished in view of your prior interest in Mr. Harris.

Sincerely yours,

1 - Dallas (89-43) Enclosure

- 62-109060
  - 1 - 62-109090 (Pres. Commission)
  - 1 - 105-82555 (Lee Harvey Oswald)
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ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT  
JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY  
11-22-63, DALLAS, TEXAS  
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ReButel 5-27-64, concerning J. W. Altgens various communications on Billy Nolan Lovelady and William F. Beckman.

Enclosed for your information is a copy of the above referenced article in the "New York Herald Tribune."

For your information the President's Commission by letter 2-24-64, advised that Harris appeared at the Commission and furnished several blown up copies of the Associated Press photograph wherein it appeared that an individual in the doorway of the Texas School Book Depository Building resembled Oswald. Your office conducted investigation in this matter which established the individual to be Lovelady. The Commission was furnished the results of your inquiry by Bureau letter 3-9-64.

NOTE:

Dallas, by airtel 4-7-64, and other communications, advised Lovelady had complained of being pestered by one W. L. Beckman who insisted on taking a photograph of him. Lovelady was informed this was civil matter and if he continued to be annoyed to call police. We did limited, discreet background on Beckman but failed to establish any connection between him and the assassination investigation. "Tribune" article is based on information supplied by Harris and states that Altgens took photograph in question and that Harris hired Beckman to photograph Lovelady. The article reports although Harris had been requested to not publicize this incident he, Harris, felt the Commission had slighted him in not furnishing him the details in its possession about this situation so he assisted in the preparation of the "Tribune" article.

We have endeavored to interview every individual known to have any information concerning the assassination, however, Altgens' identity has never been revealed and it is pointed out he never voluntarily came forward to furnish any information. Dallas is currently under instruction to interview Altgens based on an article in a Chicago paper that although Altgens was on the scene and has minute information concerning the assassination he was never interviewed and when results are obtained it will be furnished to the Commission.

*This is a  
FBI  
file*

The enclosed article is being furnished inasmuch as the Commission has indicated prior interest in Mr. Harris.