

*Assessment of Product*  
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**Date:** July 1, 1966  
**To:** Director, United States Secret Service  
**From:** John Edgar Hoover, Director  
**Subject:** CORRESPONDENCE FROM  
DR. JOHN NICHOLS  
KANSAS CITY, KANSAS

There is enclosed a copy of a letter from captioned individual dated June 27th together with a copy of a letter from him to the Registrar of Vital Statistics, Dallas, Texas, dated June 21, 1966.

Dr. Nichols has been notified of this referral to your Agency and of the fact that the FBI did not issue any instructions prohibiting the release of the death certificate of President Kennedy.

For your information, inquiry on July 1, 1966, by our Dallas Office determined that in August, 1965, Secret Service representatives had noted copies of the death certificate of President Kennedy were being requested in great volume and some were subsequently sold on a commercial basis. By mutual agreement with the state and local authorities, the file containing the certificate was flagged with a notation that requests be screened so that copies would be furnished only to the family or an authorized representative of the family.

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- Tolson \_\_\_\_\_
- DeLoach \_\_\_\_\_
- Mohr \_\_\_\_\_
- Wick \_\_\_\_\_
- Casper \_\_\_\_\_
- Callahan \_\_\_\_\_
- Conrad \_\_\_\_\_
- Felt \_\_\_\_\_
- Gale \_\_\_\_\_
- Rosen \_\_\_\_\_
- Sullivan \_\_\_\_\_
- Tavel \_\_\_\_\_
- Trotter \_\_\_\_\_
- Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_
- Holmes \_\_\_\_\_
- Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

NOTE: Acknowledgment to Dr. Nichols made separately.  
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