LEAKING OF CD-1

BACKGROUND:

KATZENBACH MEMO 11/24 WRITTEN ON SUNDAY AFTER OSWALD WAS HIMSELF ASSASSINATED. AND WRITTEN AFTER LBJ, HOOVER, AND KATZENBACH HAD HURRIED TELEPHONE COONVERSATIONS.

KATZENBACK MEMO'S AS "NATIONAL POLICY": THAT OSWALD ACTED, AND HE ACTED ALONE. THERE WAS NO FOREIGN OR DOMESTIC CONSPIRACY, AND THAT IF HE HAD LIVED TO STAND TRIAL HE WOULD HAVE BEEN FOUND QUILTY.

KATZENBACH HAD SET UP A 'TRUTH SQUD" IN THE JUSTICE DEPARTMENT TO COMBAT RUMORS AND SPECULATION IN THE FOREIGN PRESS AND SOME AMERICAN PAPERS THAT JFK WAS THE VICTIM OF A CONSPIRACY (DOMESTIC AND.OR FOREIGN).

(CHECK ON THE PHONE LOGS FOR 11/24 TO DOCUMENT THE CALLS)

WITH OSWALD DEAD THERE WOULD BE NO TRIAL AND NO TESTING OF THE EVIDENCE AGAINST THE ALLEGED ASSASSIN OF THE PRESIDENT.

LBJ WANTED THE REPORTS ON OSWALD AND RUBY FINISHED ON WEDNESDAY 11/26 TWO DAYS AFTER THE NATION BURIED JFK...

FBI ASSISTANT DIRECTOR ALEX ROSEN (INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION) NOTES THAT THE BASIC FACTS OF THE CASE AGAINST OSWALD WERE ESTABLISHED BY 11/25 OR 11/26. ACTUALLY, ROSEN'S PRIVATE IN-HOUSE CHARACTERIZATION OF THE FBI'S INVESTIGATIVE PROWESS WAS "STANDING WITH POCKETS OPEN WAITING FOR EVIDENCE TO DROP IN."

ONE WAY TO CONDITION THE PUBLIC TO WHAT HAD BEEN AGREED UPON A T THE HIGHEST LEVELS OF GOVERNMENT AS THE OFFICIAL ACCOUNT OF DALLAS WAS VIA THE GREY ARTS OF LEAKING TO THE MEDIA.

IN 1963 THE LEAKING WAS CARRIED OUT BY THE CRIME RECORDS DIVISION UNDER ASSISTANT DIRECTOR C ARTHA DELOACH.

THE FBI HAD DEVELOPED "FRIENDLY" RELATIONS WITH REPORTERS AND PUBLISHERS AMONG THE MAJOR AMERICAN NEWSPAPERS, ETC

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THE HOOVER BUREAU HAD PERFECTED THIS TO AN ART FORM...

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THE FIRST LEAK I AM AWARE WAS A SHORT PIECE IN THE SEATTLE POST-INTELLIGENCER ON 11/27/1963. BY-LINE BY LES WHITTEN (

LATER HE PARTNERED WITH JACK ANDERSON'S NATIONAL SYNDICATED "WASHINGTON MERRY-GO-ROUND" AFTER THE DEATH OF DREW PEARSON).

IT WAS A VERY SHORT PIECE THAT LAID OUT THE KERNAL OF THE OFFICIAL STORY AS LAID OUT IN THE KATZENBACH MEMO:

*THAT OSWALD WAS THE KILLER BEYOND ANY QUESTION OF DOUBT;

THAT HE ACTED ALONE; NO CONSPIRACY FOREIGN OR DOMESTIC;

THAT HIS VIOLENT NATURE STEMMED FROM READING COMMUNIST LITERATURE. CONSISTENT WITH HOOVER'S EARLY EFFORTS TO GAIN TRACTION IN HIS LONG STANDING COINTELPRO CAMPAIGN AGAINST THE AMERICAN COMMUNIST PARTY. HERE WAS MOTIVE..

MAKE POINT ABOUT THE COMMISSION AND ITS SORRY, FOOTLING EFFORTS TO EXPLAIN OR DOCUMENT ANY MOTIVE OR REASONS WHY OSWALD SHOT PRESIDENT KENNEDY.

AFTER THE WHITTEN PIECE CAME THE DELUGE.: THE LEAKING WAS SYSTEMATIC AND COMPREHENSIVE: NEWS STORIES, WIRE SERVICE (AP & UP) . AND RADIO.

THE FBI REPORT (COMMISSION DOCUMENT ONE, A 900 PAGE REPORT), WAS RELEASED TO THE JUSTICE, DEPARTMENT, WHITE HOUSE, AND OTHER DESIGNATED GOVERNMENT AGENCIES ON DECEMBER 5^{TH} .

THE WARREN COMMISSION MEMBERS DID NOT GET THEIR COPIES UNTIL DECEMBER 9TH. INSTEAD OF WAITING UNTIL DECEMBER 5TH OR LATER TO START LEAKING HOOVER WAS CONSPICUOUSLY OUT FRONT WITH THE LEAKING TO CONVEY A CLEAR MESSAGE TO THE WARREN COMMISSION: IN THE CRUDEST TERMS THE COMMISSION WAS PUT ON NOTICE THAT THE BUREAU HAD SOLVED THE CASE AND ALL THAT WAS EXPECTED FROM THIS AUGUST BODY WAS A REPORT THAT RATIFIED THE BUREAU'S FINDINGS.