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# Memorandum

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DATE: December 30, 1963  
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FROM : *How* Howard P. Willens

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SUBJECT: Outline of Commission's Work

*Note: We  
members received  
a copy of CD-1  
on 12/5 or 12/9*

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Attached are several copies of a tentative outline of the work of this Commission. The outline divides the subject matter into the following five major categories:

- I. Assassination of President Kennedy on November 22, 1963 in Dallas
- II. Lee Harvey Oswald as the Assassin of President Kennedy
- III. Lee Harvey Oswald: Background and Possible Motive
- IV. Murder of Lee Harvey Oswald by Jack L. Ruby
- V. Security Measures to Protect the President

I recommend that this outline or some version of it be adopted tentatively by you as an aid in organizing the work of the Commission staff. It is clearly only tentative. You may wish to submit such an outline to the Commission as part of any progress report in order to solicit their views. The most thoughtful revisions and additions to the outline, of course, will come from members of the staff after they have reviewed all the investigative materials. In fact, a revised outline for each area of work might be something we should request from each team of lawyers.

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