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AF-1 files

Writing Notes/Ideas for "Oswald as Sole Suspect"

Possible title for chapter: The Public Lynching of Lee Harvey Oswald.

I need to review all my Early Evidence files for this chapter. Key: Hoover to LBJ on 11/23 Hoover admits "evidence against Oswald not very, very strong." FBI and Dallas cops would work to reverse that situation . . .

( I will have a Chapter on Lt. Day and roll he played after Oswald's murder to correct this situation).

Include Day and Oswald's prints on K1. . .This includes Latona's failure to lift prints off K1 on 11/23. . .K1 returned to Dallas and Day's "care." Day and his handling of the Walker bullet. (Note: I will need to check Q188 at NARA); Day and the curtain rods found at the TSBD shed. . . .Day announces they were not Oswald's. . .It will be in this Day chapter (TENTATIVE TITLE: " Lt. Day the FBI's Man in Dallas." Get into the case against Oswald that was no case at all. Hoover to LBJ on 11/23 that "Case against LHO not 'very,very strong."

I will need to review my AF-1 Files. . .

Folder A AF-1 Chronology: Day of Assassination/RELATED MATTERS

11/22/'63

1. 12:45 P.M. CST SAM 86972 the plane carrying Rusk and other Cabinet members on the way to Tokyo from Honolulu learned at this time over UPI wire service. . .confirmed by White House Situation Room. . . [Source: Max Holland UPI story ---"three shots were fired". . . . (this is key)\*\*\*\*  
"The Kennedy Assassination Tapes: The White House conversations of Lyndon B. Johnson regarding the assassination, the Warren Commission, and the aftermath, p. 9 (New York, Alfred Knopf, 2004).

. 17 of Kelly piece it is noted that LBJ did not know JFK had ordered the taping of all "Angel" or AF-1 radio conversations. . .

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Follow up note from Wm Kelly (item 2) P. 17 That both Theodore H. White and Salinger both had access to the transcript of the recordings of AF-1 while the plane was on its course from Love Field to Andrews AF Base. Both Teddy White and Salinger had access to the transcript of these recordings when they wrote their accounts of first learning of JFK's assassination. [This will be used in a footnote citing the Kelly piece (<http://jfkcountercoup.blogspot.com>). But I will quote from both Salinger and White. Note Kelly writes that both White and Salinger quote parts of the transcript in their books that aren't on the exiting tape we have today. Kelly notes that Salinger's copy of the transcript is no longer among his papers at JFK's Library in Boston. (p. 17 of above cited source). Check on Salinger's account in my Prologue to Keenan's story. Also cite Teddy White's account. . .(be accurate. White was not on AF-1 he was allowed to read transcript of the original AF-1 tapes. Do they both note that news of shooting took place at 12: 45 CST. . . .Note: Holland notes that UPI account had three shots fired. . .

.3. Fetzer piece "What Happened to JFK's Body" 42 pages. Review for anything that throws light on the Bethesda/Walter Reed "battle" of autopsy location/anything that draws Burkley into the issue. . .

4. My exchange w/ Larry Hancock . . .might be useful. Might want to look at his "Someone Would Have Talked" for some insights . .See attached Larry Hancock note

5. I need to assign material under "5" re: LBJ's reliance on Rowley and Hoover. I need to focus all relevant material under 5. Find folder "FBI War on SS. . . ." I need some of this material illustrating how the FBI moved in and took over the investigation on 11/22. . .Rowley rewarded see Rowley Bio. Burley promoted to Vice Admiral ... .& became LBJ's White House physician. Challenge the cover story

re: Hoover phone call from Manchester. . .Hoover already in charge when he had Baltimore FO send Sibert & O'Neill to Bethesda Naval Hospital before AF-1 landed

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at Andrews. This call to Baltimore FO came at 5:30 P.M. EST; make note of Gillon's book that LBJ spent most of the 2 hrs 17 minute trip back to Andrews in AF-1 stateroom. . . .in conversation w/ Hoover. . .possibly Rowley. See Gillon, P. 156. .

Dallas PD had Oswald suspect of JFK's murder at 1:40 CST (2:40 EST while LBJ was still on AF-1). . .

6. Flow sheet for FBI/SS relations. . .see several docs.

7. Hoover to Bobby 11/22/'63 62-1090960-59 Call to Bobby at 4:01 p.m. re; Oswald was in custody and suspected of killing JFK. . .Hoover pushes Oswald as a leftist. . . ."went to Cuba on several occasions . . ."

8. Doug Horne piece on the Clifton version of AF-1 tapes. \*\*\* Want to make careful review of this article. . . .\*\*\*\* See esp. tug of war over the location of the autopsy . . .

9. Review carefully doc. # 9 . . . \*\*\*\*\*

NOTE TO MYSELF----I NEED TO CITE FROM DOUG HORN'S VOLUMES. . . .TO GIVE CREDENCE TO RESEARCH . . . .

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FILE D BIG QUESTIONS/HANCOCK/MCKNIGHT

r. L. Ecker "The Tokyo Flight". . . .Read carefully for material.. . . point to keep I mind is that the scheduling of the flight of the Cabinet members on 11/22 was made by the White House presumably. . . P. 6 ff failure to notify McNamara. Review both essays. . .2009and 2012. . .

2. Partial Chron. Sheet. . .



3. Cliff Carter affidavit Vol. 7, pp. 474-475. . . .Notes security concern by SS that Dallas might be a wide spread plot to decapitate the political leadership of the US as precursor to a full-scale nuclear attack. . . .SS urged LBJ to get to AF-1 and get off the ground . . . go to WDC. . .

4. Questions from Hancock. . . .This is loaded w/ possibilities. . . esp. the apparent lack of a full-scale response to Dallas as stage one in a Soviet planned nuclear attack on the US.. .See Larry's language. . .(credit him if used). . {note: Horne's little mystery of Westmoreland at Bethesda Hosp autopsy. . .when he should have been overseeing a US strategic response to an possible Soviet nuclear attack).. .Role or lack thereof by McNamara (see Ecker piece). . .

5. Doc. from White House Central Files WHCF, Box #1, folder FE 3-1. . .Notes pp. 1 & 2 SS concern that LBJ get out of Dallas and into the air to WDC. . . .was Dallas first act in a Soviet planned massive nuclear attack . . .(had to be a concern). . .LBJ dithered. . . 1:20 Kilduff wants to announce JFK's death . . .LBJ does not leave Parkland Hosp until 1:28 P.M. LBJ arrives at Love Field shortly before 2:00 p.m. CST. LBJ announced he would not leave until Jackie and the coffin w/ JFK arrived to be taken to WDC . .despite the remonstrances from the SS who had already lost one president and were alarmed that they might lose another. . . (Caro's work that LBJ was something of a coward. . .)LBJ calls Bobby about oath taking. . . P. 3 Notes that O'Brien told LBJ that Jackie wanted to be present at the swearing in . . .(This was a lie manufactured after the fact). . .Rest of this memo is all LBJ and Star Spangle Banner BS of the new man in the White House taking over . .

6. DeLoach to Mohr 6/4/'64 62-111371-obsured on this doc. Hoover's account of conversation w/ Manchester. . .

7. Wash Post 1/24/'67 account of Manchester's treatment of LBJ in "The Death of a President". . . .that was not flattering to LBJ. . . .Depicts him as in a state of funk and indecision after the shooting. . .afraid that his own life could be in jeopardy. .

8. McNamara's account of 11/22 from "In Retrospect". . . .use in conjunction w. item #4 Questions from Hancock . .