

Memorandum

TO : Mr. Conrad

FROM : R. H. Jevons

SUBJECT: LEE HARVEY OSWALD
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In accordance with the verbal request of Mr. Melvin Eisenberg of the President's Commission and with prior approval, SA John F. Gallagher of the Laboratory talked with Mr. Eisenberg on 3/16/64, concerning the neutron activation analyses of the paraffin casts from Lee Harvey Oswald for the purpose of determining if they bore powder residues characteristic of the rifle cartridges.

As you were previously advised, it was not possible to distinguish the powder residues of the rifle cartridges from the powder residues of the revolver cartridges. In view of the fact that the paraffin casts were not made until after the reported firing and handling of the fired revolver, no significance could be attached to the residues found on the casts other than the conclusion that barium and antimony in these residues were present in amounts greater than would be expected to be found on the hands of an individual who has not recently fired a weapon.

Mr. Eisenberg asked that he be furnished the answers to the following questions: (1) What are the items in common usage which contain barium? (2) What are the items in common usage which contain antimony? (3) What are the items in common usage which contain both antimony and barium? (4) Would neutron activation analyses show if a bullet passed through the hole in the front of President Kennedy's shirt near the collar button area and also if a bullet passed through the material of his tie?

These questions have been answered and are present in letter form for transmittal to the President's Commission.

RECOMMENDATION:
It is recommended that the attached letter be forwarded to the President's Commission.

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Enclosure sent 3-18-64
1 - Mr. Belmont - Encl.
1 - Mr. Rosen - Encl.
1 - Mr. Sullivan - Encl.
1 - Mr. Malley - Encl.
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[Handwritten signatures and initials: "C. J. G.", "5/10/64", "Sullivan", "Trotter"]

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