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Simmons and Firing of Rifle

1. Jevons to Conrad 3/30/'64 re: ibid ✓

Buchanan Again

2. Branigan to Sullivan 3/25/'64 re: evaluation of B's story in the Paris "L'Express" and what B alleges about Oswald as FBI informant.

Hoover Mad on w/ Commission

3. Jevons to Conrad 3/12/'64 re: refers to the WC independent testing of the rifle by R. Simmons. Under Action: in reference to WC request from FBI for additional bullets from Tippitt's body that Bureau not act as a "transmission belt" in handing over evidence, etc. Suggest a proposed letter setting forth these views.

Hoover note: I concur. It is getting be become mo^e and more intolerable to deal with this Warren Commission."

4. Jevons to Conrad 3/26/'64 re: Tippitt bullets again. They were furnished to WC. ✓

Referencing Hoover's Mad on w/ WC

5. Rosen to Belmont 3/24/'64 re: FBI makes point w/ Commission. This is case where Willens of WC was interviewing workers at TSCDB that FBI had already interviewed a week or so before. FBI calls this "duplication of effort." A comllaint was lodged w/ Rankin. Rankin would speak to Willens to find out what was going on. This is evidence of growing FBI testiness. ✓

6. Dallas to Director 3/20/'64 re: above. WC interviewing TSBD employees. Willens and Belin denied there was duplication of effort. Hoover note: Suggest we take this up with Rankin. Hoover mad about waste of manpower and money, etc. Then adds: "In future don't deal with Willens, he is a mere underlining." They will go directly to Rankin. (Willens on FBI shit list.) ✓

Mark Lane Surveillance ✓

7. Hoover to Rankin March 27, 1964. Keeping Rankin posted about Lane's speaking engagements.

Simmons and Rifle Again

8. Hoover to Rankin 4/23/'64 re: ibid.

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Another request from WC re: Windshield ✓

9. Hoover to Rankin 3/23/'64 re: above

Hoover "explains" the evidence on JFK coat/shirt to Rankin ✓

10. Hoover to Rankin 3/22/'64 re: Hoover says that holes in JFK's coat were entrance wounds. Makes same claims for shirt collar and tie. (Do I want to tie this in with the real evidence?) Make point that Finck was not permitted to examine JFK's clothes at autopsy. (2 docs.)

Willens and Dallas interviews again

11. Director to SAC, Dallas, 3/18/'64 re: Hoover note: All requests from Willens (WC) "I want any requests made of our Dallas office to be first cleared here." Was this after Hoover had spoken to Rankin about this so-called "duplication of effort"? ✓

FBI not a "transmission belt"

12. Rosen to Belmont March 17, 1964 re: Hoover's sets policy. All materials to be transmitted by the WC to independent examiners. ✓

Norman Redlich -- FBI Security Check

13. Norman Redlich 12/31/'63 This is a 10-page report from NY FO ✓

14. Jones to DeLoach 2/25/'64 re: More on Redlich. This action/recommendation is to take what they have on Redlich to Chairman Willis of the HCUA.

More on Buchanan -- backgrounder ✓

15. Confidential March 17, 1964 re: B's a CP member. This sent to Rankin to defuse concerns about B's "L'Express" story.

More on Lane's Speaking engagements

16. Moore to Sullivan 3/10/'64 re: Notes that Lane to appear at Amherst College and that J.J. McCloy is on board at Amherst. Notes too that sur. of Lane was at specific request of the WC. (Several docs.)

Bugging of Marina Oswald's phone

17. Hoover to Rankin 3/11/'64 re: indicates that FBI might have bugged Marina's phone conversations.