

HISTORY 315

RE: NOTES WITH WC IN ACTION

- NO JFK LIBERAL ON THE WC; MOST ARE REPUBLICANS
- WARREN'S CHOICE FOR CHIEF COUNSEL (OLNEY) BLOCKED BY HOOVER. HOOVER'S MAN IS J. LEE RANKIN. THEIR EARLIER RELATIONSHIP.
- WC UNDERSTOOD THAT WORK COMPLETED BY NO LATER THAN JUNE SO IT DID NOT INTERFERE WITH THE 1964 PRESIDENTIAL CAMPAIGN.
- WARREN/RANKIN NEVER ASKED FOR THE POWER TO GRANT IMMUNITY OR TO CITE A WITNESS FOR PERJURY.
- SOME MAY RECALL THAT WARREN INITIALLY DID NOT EVEN WANT TO HAVE SUBPOENA POWER OR CALL ANY WITNESSES (Dec 5<sup>th</sup> EX. SESSION).
- WC REJECTED HAVING ITS OWN INDEPENDENT INVESTIGATIVE STAFF. NONE OF THE COMMISSIONERS OR THE ASSISTANT COUNSELORS WERE EXPERIENCED INVESTIGATORS.
- THE "TENDER SPOTS"
  - FBI ---RUBY; FAILURE TO NOTIFY THE SS OF OSWALD'S PRESENCE IN DALLAS;
  - CIA --- ITS PREASSASSINATION FILE ON OSWALD
  - SS---BREAKDOWN OF PROTECTION FOR JFK IN DALLAS

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MAKE CLEAR THE WC'S REASONS FOR THREE SHOTS AND TWO HITS.

CONTRAST WITH FBI'S SCENARIO. REFER TOI MANUAL PP. 169-170

1. WHAT WAS THE PURPOSE BEHIND THE FBI'S LEAKING OF THE CONCLUSIONS OF THE FBI REPORT (OR COMMISSION DOCUMENT 1) TO SELECTED PRESS?
2. KATZENBACH DESCRIBES THE FBI REPORT (CD-1) AS "SPECTACULAR." IS THAT THE ADJECTIVE YOU WOULD HAVE USED? EXPLAIN.

CONSIDER: COPY CD 1 DESCRIPTION OF THE SHOOTING/DISTRIBUTE TO CLASS.

CONSIDER USING THIS PERIOD TO DISCUSS THE BREAKDOWN OF PROTECTION FOR JFK IN DALLAS

### SESSION III THE WARREN COMMISSION AND ITS CASE

READINGS, WCR CHAPTERS 1,3 AND 4 (SEE NOTES IN OLD SYLLABUS) ALSO FIND THE QUESTION SHEET MENTIONED. SHOULD BE IN FOLDER IN GARAGE.

READ ALSO: BOT, CHAPTER 4

CLASS: SHOWING THE Z FILM/BRING IN M/C RIFL.  
CHECK ON DIAGRAMS IN OFFICE OF DEALEY PLAZA/ Ray Marcus stuff

#### QUESTIONS FOR CHAPTER FOUR

QUESTIONS: WHAT WAS THE COMMISSION'S RESPONSE TO THE FBI REPORT (CD-1)? WHAT WAS INSPIRED THIS REACTION?

QUESTION: CHAPTER FOUR DEALS, IN PART, WITH THE COMMISSION'S DISENCHANTMENT WITH THE FBI'S INVESTIGATIVE REPORT. WHAT WERE THE COMMISSION'S MAIN OBJECTIONS AND MISGIVINGS ABOUT CD-1?

QUESTION: BE VERY CLEAR ABOUT THE FBI'S VERSION OF THE SHOOTING SCENARIO. THE BUREAU INSISTED THAT THERE WERE THREE SHOTS AND THREE HITS. WHY DID CD-1 IGNORE THE TADUE BULLET. WHAT DO YOU MAKE OF THIS?