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The following investigation was conducted by SAs WILLIAM G. BROOKHART and GEORGE T. BINNEY at Dallas, Texas.

The following individuals were contacted on the dates indicated and shown 2 photographs, front and back view of a leather strap used as a rifle sling on the rifle used in the assassination of President JOHN F. KENNEDY. They were not told what this object was used for but merely asked whether they were able to identify it through their professional experience. The following individuals believed that this object was a guitar strap although they were unable to locate any guitar straps like it in their stock and could not suggest anyone who might be able to identify this object:

HOWARD BEASLEY, JR.
Vice President
Whittle Music Company
1108 Elm Street
December 14, 1963

FRED MC CORD
President
Mc Cord Music Company
1206 Elm Street
December 14, 1963

D. J. CLINE
Cline Music Company
1107 Elm Street
December 14, 1963

Mr. and Mrs. WESLEY JOHNSON
Brook-Meys Music Company
718 West Jefferson
December 14, 1963

ROBERT ARBOGAST
Owner
Watkins Music Company
838 West Jefferson
December 16, 1963

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GEORGE ADKINS
Adkins Jewelers (pawn shop)
122 West Jefferson
December 16, 1963

CYRUS BOYD
Boyd Guitar School
314 South Beckley
December 16, 1963

The following individuals when viewing the photographs described above, advised that this strap could be possibly used as a professional type gadget bag in such a manner that the long strap would fit under the gadget bag and the large piece of leather would be used as a shoulder strap. These individuals said that they had no idea of the origin of this strap:

Mr. KURT ZEISEL
Manager
Lone Star Camera Exchange
334 West Jefferson
December 13, 1963

Mr. SAMUEL HAYES
Receiving Clerk
Hornstein, Incorporated
2820 Commerce
December 16, 1963

Mr. EUGENE EDESE
Shipping Clerk
Hornstein, Incorporated
2820 Commerce
December 16, 1963

Mr. RICHARD WALLACE
Branch Office Manager
Inter-Continental Marketing Corporation
1131 Dragon
December 16, 1963