

# Memorandum

TO : Mr. Belmont

DATE: 2/27/64

FROM : A. Rosen

SUBJECT: THE PRESIDENT'S COMMISSION  
ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY

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During a conversation Malley had with Inspector Tom Kelley of the Secret Service while at the President's Commission, Inspector Kelley mentioned that Mr. Rankin had discussed with him information Rankin had received from Attorney William A. McKenzie who now represents Marina Oswald. According to Kelley, McKenzie related to Rankin information he had received to the effect that there was considerable animosity existing between the office of the Secret Service and the office of the FBI in Dallas, Texas. Mr. Rankin inquired of Inspector Kelley whether he had any information concerning such a situation. Kelley states that he told Mr. Rankin that he personally had been in Dallas for several weeks in connection with the assassination of President Kennedy, that Malley of the FBI had also been there, and that during the period they were both in Dallas there was a completely free exchange of information on matters of interest and that they had been in touch with one another on the telephone on numerous occasions. Kelley claims he told Mr. Rankin there was certainly nothing that he observed while he was in Dallas to indicate any hard feelings of any kind between the two agencies and that he had no knowledge of any such situation existing. Kelley stated he told Mr. Rankin that there is always the possibility for some one individual to develop feelings one way or the other but this would certainly not be indicative of an official attitude of resentment of one agency against another. Inspector Kelley advised that he wanted Malley to have this information so that he would be aware of it in the event Mr. Rankin brought up this conversation.

Inspector Kelley was immediately advised that Malley knew of no animosity existing between the two agencies in Dallas and if there had been it would have been called to the attention of the headquarters of both organizations immediately.

Inasmuch as Mr. Rankin was unavailable on February 26, 1964, Malley discussed this incident with Mr. Howard Willens of the President's Commission without revealing the source of the information. Willens was advised that in view of remarks being made by Attorney William A. McKenzie

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this Bureau desired to immediately contact McKenzie and ascertain the basis for the comments made by him that animosity existed between the Secret Service and the FBI in Dallas.

Mr. Willens subsequently advised that he had discussed this matter with Mr. Rankin and Rankin indicated he had no objections whatsoever for the Bureau following through on this matter and ascertaining the basis for McKenzie's remarks.

ACTION:

The Dallas Office is being instructed by attached teletype to immediately interview Attorney William A. McKenzie concerning remarks he has made to the President's Commission indicating there is animosity existing between the FBI and Secret Service in Dallas. McKenzie will be requested to furnish the exact basis for his comments.

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