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Mr. Rosen's memorandom earlier today discussed the Commission's request that we interview Secret Service Agent Abraham Bolden, who has rade several allegation against the Secret Service and their operations in Dallas prior to the assassimation. At 1:45 p.m., 5/22/64, Liaison talked with Secret Service Laspector Burrill Peterson in the office of Chief Rowley and told him of the request, and the fact that we would be conducting the interview, following clearance with Bolden's autorney, and that the Commission would determine whether it should call Bolden to appear before it. Peterson was told that the Director wanted Chief Rowley to have this information promptly, and Peterson said he would inform him the minute he returned to his office from lunch.

Peterson said there were 2 matters in connection with Solden that we should know of. He referred to an article appearing in the "Chicago Tribune" on 5/22/64 in which Bolden is quoted as stating that Chief Rowley had telephoned him from Washington. The article states Bolden refused to discuss the call, but clearly implies that Rowley was asking him to refrain from making any other statements. Peterson said no call whatever had been made to Bolden by Rowley or any other Secret Service official.

The second item concerns an earlier newspaper article which contained Bolden's allegations of misconduct on the part of Secret Service personnel. Bolden is quoted as stating he had reported these matters previously to his superiors. Peterson says that the truth is that Bolden has never at any time made any such allegations previously either orally or in writing. He expressed appreciation on behalf of Mr. Rowley for our call.

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