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Honorable J. Lee Rankin
 General Counsel
 The President's Commission
 130 Maryland Avenue, N.W.
 Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Rankin:

Reference is made to my letter dated December 13, 1963, enclosing a summary of the results of the investigations of several houses and false reports which had arisen in connection with the Oswald case. The following information supplements the data previously furnished to you in this regard.

The FBI has been furnished four letters written from Cuba indicating or alleging that the assassination of President Kennedy was undertaken by Oswald under the direction of a Cuban agent, one Pedro Charles, who reportedly gave Oswald \$7,000 for this mission. Specifically, these letters are as follows:

(1) A letter dated November 10, 1963, but postmarked November 23, 1963, at Havana, Cuba (six days after the assassination), signed by Pedro Charles and addressed to Oswald, c/o "Mail Office," Dallas, Texas. This letter was intercepted by the Secret Service and was referred to the FBI.

(2) A letter addressed to the Attorney General postmarked November 23, 1963, at Havana and signed by Rafael del Rosario Molina. This letter was referred to the FBI by the Department of Justice.

(3) A letter postmarked December 3, 1963, at Havana, addressed to the Voice of America and signed by Manuel Galban Lopez. This communication was referred to us by the United States Information Agency.

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(4) A letter postmarked Dec 31, 1960, at Havana signed by Higinio Calvo Lopez and addressed to the Director of the FBI, was published in the Diario de la Noche, a Spanish-language newspaper published in New York City. The letter was received to the FBI by an official of the newspaper.

One copy each of the above described letters is enclosed herewith.

As noted above, the first letter received was purportedly written by Fidelio Charles, was dated 11 days prior to the President's assassination, and was deemed to give the impression Charles was furnishing instructions to Oswald relative to the assassination. The other three letters purport to be from individuals who have knowledge that Charles conspired with Oswald to kill the President. However, examinations by the FBI Laboratory have shown that all of these communications were actually prepared on the same typewriter and that several of the envelopes used came from the same source. It is, therefore, clear that this represents some type of hoax, possibly on the part of some anti-Castro group seeking to discredit the Cuban Government.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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