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

Dear Mr. Rankin:

Reference is made to our letter of February 20, 1964, setting forth results of our interview with Mr. Robert L. Oswald, brother of Lee Harvey Oswald, on February 18-19, 1964. Your particular attention is directed to page five of our letter reporting information from Robert Oswald to the effect that Lee Harvey Oswald had intended to shoot Mr. Richard Nixon.

For your information, we reinterviewed Mr. Robert Oswald, regarding the Richard Nixon incident, February 24, 1964. Robert Oswald stated the information that Lee Harvey Oswald planned to shoot Mr. Nixon was first relayed to him by James Herbert Martin approximately 2:00 P.M., Sunday, January 12, 1964. He added that he has determined now that his entry in his diary showing the date he received such information from Martin as January 13, 1964, is incorrect.

According to Robert Oswald, ~~Martin told him that Marina had told Martin that Lee Harvey Oswald was to shoot Nixon one day and when Lee Harvey Oswald went to the bathroom, she locked the door and kept him there all day. Martin furnished no additional details regarding such incident to Robert Oswald and the date of the incident was not mentioned.~~

On the same day, January 12, 1964, approximately 3:00 P.M., Marina Oswald told Robert Oswald, while they were en route to the cemetery to visit the grave of Lee Harvey Oswald, that Lee was on his way to kill Nixon one day and that he went in the bathroom, at which time Marina locked the door and kept him there all day. Robert Oswald stated he told

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Marina that James Martin had already told him about the incident and he asked Marina if Leo was very mad. Marina replied that at first Leo was mad but when she let him out of the bathroom, he had calmed down. Robert indicated he asked if Leo had beaten Marina and Marina replied, "No, he didn't spank me." Robert Oswald further advised that he does not know where Marina and Leo were living, does not know how she prevented Lee Harvey Oswald from breaking out of the bathroom and does not know what date this incident occurred. He indicated that at the time he learned this information, he recalled having read in the papers about Nixon being in Dallas and believes he read such article sometime during the fall of 1963.

In conclusion, Robert Oswald stated he had not furnished this information to the FBI or any other Governmental agency until February 19, 1964, when he furnished the information to Special Agents of our Dallas office.

The above is furnished for the information of the Commission. Results of our interview with Marina Oswald concerning the Richard Nixon incident were furnished to the Commission in our letter of February 26, 1964.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

NOTE: Xerox copy of instant letter to Rankin is being furnished to the United States Secret Service by Liaison 2-27-64.