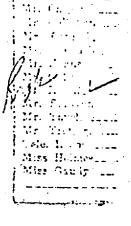
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ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY, NOV. TWENTYTWO LAST, DALLAS, TEX.

BEN TRAEGEL, DEA TRAEGEL/S EAR, AIRLINE HIGHWAY, NEW ORLEANS, LA. DASH SUSPECT.

APPEARED PHILA. OFFICE TODAY, REQUESTED IDENTITY PROTECTED, AND STATE 'IVED IN NEW ORLEANS AND EMPLOYED THERE AS UP UNTIL AUG. SIXTYTHREE. DURING NEW ORLEANS RESIDENCE, WAS IN CONTACT WITH SAS JENSEN, EROGAN, AND PROSPERITY RE AREA GAMBLING ACTIVITIES. STATED HE IS EX-MARINE, SUFFERED NERVOUS BREAKDOWN DURING WORL TWO, AND RECEIVES GOV-T DISABILITY. APPEARED GENERALLY RATIONAL DURING CONVERSATION.

FOLLOWING NEVER PREVIOUSLY REPORTED TO NEW ORLEANS AGENTS BUT HE BELIEVES PERTINENT NOW.

• IN MARCH SIXTYTHREE WHILE EMPLOYED PART TIME BEN TRAEGEL/S SAR, AIRLINE HIGHWAY, NEW ORLEANS, TRAEGEL, NORMAN LA BLANC, CLOSE FRIEND OF TRAEGEL AND HIS HORSE TRAINER, AND ONE PROFESSOR, TRUE NAME END PAGE ONE REC 27 62-109060-56

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UNKNOWN, WERE LOOKING AT AN ADVERTISEMENT WHICH APPEARED IN A DETECTIVE MAGAZINE RE A FOREIGN MADE RIFLE WHICH SOLD FOR TWELVE DOLLARS AND NINETY EIGHT CENTS AND TRAEGEL STATED TO THOSE PRESENT, INCLUDING "THIS WOULD BE A NICE RIFLE TO BUY SYMMY TO GET THE PRESIDENT. THERE IS A PRICE ON THE PRESIDENT/S HEAD, AND OTHER MEMBERS OF KENNEDY FAMILY. SOMEBODY WILL KILL KENNEDY WHEN HE COMES DOWN SOUTH." DESCRIBES TRAEGEL AS EXTREMELY ANTI-KENNEDY AND ANTI-NEGRO, VERY OUTSPOKEN AND HAS MADE MANY SLANDEROUS REMARKS RE PRES. AND MRS. KENNEDY.

HE FURTHER STATED VINCENT MARCELLA, NEW ORLEANS RACKETEER, IS CLOSE FRIEND OF TRAEGEL AND FINANCIAL EACKER OF TRAEGEL/S BUSINESS. MARCELLA KNOWN BY HIM TO TRAVEL TO DALLAS ON MANY OCCASIONS AND IS BELIEVED TO OWN NIGHT CLUE THERE. ORLEANS MIDDLE NEXT WEEK TO SPEND WINTER THERE AND WILL CONTACT NEW ORLEANS OFFICE.

NEW OPLEANS ADVISE BUREAU AND DALLAS OF PERTINENT INFO RE TRAEGEL AND TRAEGEL/S ASSOCIATES MENTIONED.

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