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[#389-411 from Harold Weisberg; sent 2/8, rec'd 2/15/78]

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Gale to Tolson 2/9/63 on investigative deficiencies FBI in handling LHO case before 11/22/63Rankin to JEH 1/23/64 re Pedro Charles Legat Rome to JEH 2/17/64 speculations on LHO/FBI or LHO/CIA link, Warren promise of secrecy JEH to Rankin 1/17/64 re Pedro Charles fabrications Rosen to Belmont 2/26/64 on omission of Hosty entry in LHO's notebook Dallas to JEH 3/14/64 re newspaper article suggesting LHO shot fellow-Marine to death Press clip 2/6/64 "Mr. Warren on secrecy" DeLoach to Mohr 4/30/64 Walter Jenkins relays allegation LHO was FBI informant DeLoach to Mohr 2/12/64 Frandsen of UPI asks advice about inviting Warren Press clip 12/14/63 "Secret Service under study" JEH to Tolson 12/26/63 Hoover asks Malley establish closest most amicable relationship with Rankin Press clip 4/17/63 "Warren group probing beyond slaying" Press clip 10/24/63 "Assassination probee report months away" Evans to Belmont 12/17/63 Henry Peterson asked to serve WC 12/20/63 DeLoach to Mohr, re DeLoach meeting with Sen.R.Russell, on press leaks, has no respect for Warren Evans to Belmont 12/18/63 re Henry Peterson, just learned that Howard Willens appt'd to liaise with WC Press clip "Warren Group Probing Beyond Slaying Report" DeLoach to Mohr 12/11/63 on leak to Wash. Post of Rankin appointment Press clip 12/16/63 Rankin named counsel Rosen to Belmont 12/6/63 asks name check on J. Lee Rankin Press release on transmittal of first FBI report to LBJ, dated 12/7/63 Memo of 11/29/63 proposed LBJ statement on appointing the WC Press clip 12/21/66 mentions RFK Hoffa and Manchester Gale to DeLoach 4/17/67 almost wholly excised, mentions Ragano, Trafficante, Garrison, Ruby SAC WFO to JEH 3/31/67 information on Partin, in re Hoffa, mentions RFK, Davidson, Sheridan N Orls to JEH 3/24/67 unnamed man complains of pressure on him and friends by Garrison DeLoach to Tolson 3/20/67 on attempt to involve Walter Jenkins with Clay Shaw, by Garrison To Rosen 3/20/67 more interviewing of E P Morgan on plots against Castro JEH to White House 3/22/67 encloses information for WATson involving CIA, probably on Castro plots JEH to Attney-Gen 3/22/67 Rowley conversation with Warren on CIA plots vs Castro SAC WFO to JEH 3/21/67 on allegations of Edward P. Morgan (see 428) Braniganto Sullivan 2/21/67 on Manchester Look article, says LBJ had FBI memo on "unfriendly power" Rosen to DeLoach 2/15/67 Drew Pearson/Earl Walker/Ed Morgan, first surfacing of plot to kill Castro Press clip on Connally, insists was hit by second shot Rosen to DeLoach 11/22/66 article in Wash.Post re Life article on Connally, hit by second shot Rosen to DeLoach 3/15/67 on Davidson, Partin, Hoffa, Ruby SAC MFO to JEH undated on James Hoffa Description

Branigan to Sullivan 5/4/64 attempts to trace allegation to ex-FBI agent N Orls to W Jenkins

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I got in advance of the first general release. I intend to assign numbers to all items in that batch rated * or more. [Note: I have not yet included in my numbering system any of the first 700 pages of the LHO file, which

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* which had not been sent to HQ, since 105-82555-6C is a FTRR item from NY. No reply yet. and that NY found none in the FTRR file. I wrote back, pointing out that this may have meant they found no items The FBI's cover letter says that WFO found no references to LHO in the FPCC and FTRR (Funds....) files,

other than those to or from FBI HQ; also, HQ communications with "substantive, pertinent" notations. The request to the field offices (#466) asked for internal documents, and inter-office communications

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[Total: #52/-533: 14 pp; #534-543: 17 pp; #544-564: 42 pp; grand total, #527-564: 73 pp.]
[The AIB/DSL collection included 36 pp. I already had: #168, 194, 212, 275, 282, 292, and 298 on other defectors; #381, 290, 227, 242, 366, and 68 in the last section. See the original DSL list for details on these.]
[I've rated this batch quite conservatively. The whole paper sack matter warrants careful consideration. It certainly took the FBI long enough to explain it, and I'm suspicious of an explanation relying on Lt. Day.