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RE IDENTIFICATION OF ASSASSINATION WEAPON

JAMES GRANT, 112 Keeney Avenue, Kearny, New Jersey, advised SA GORDON S. KIRKBY, JR., on November 23, 1963, that he is a gunsmith and, therefore, familiar with the weapon he observed on television as the murder weapon in the assassination of President KENNEDY. He stated that the weapon described as an Argentine Mauser is a Carcano Italian Mannlicher. He added that the weapon was made in both 7.35 mm (29 caliber) and 6.5 mm (26.4 caliber).

Mr. GRANT added that the weapon of the type in question is imported through two establishments, the Golden State Arms, Los Angeles, California, and Hunters Lodge, Alexandria, Virginia. He commented that those establishments distribute this type weapon to numerous retail stores.

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