

MEMORANDUM

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Secret Service

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TO: Messrs. Adams, Spector, Stern

FROM: Norman Redlich

During the course of his public testimony, (page 32), Mark Lane stated that a Mrs. Hill, who was apparently very close to the President's car at the time of the final shot, was questioned by Mr. Lane and she said that she heard 4 to 6 shots fired. She told Lane that when she was questioned by the U.S. Secret Service she insisted that she heard from 4 to 6 shots. According to Lane, Mrs. Hill claims that one agent of the Secret Service said to her "There were 3 wounds and 3 shells so we are only saying 3 shots."

I think that the Adams-Spector team should inquire of the Secret Service as to the exact nature of the interview with Mrs. Hill and if any credence at all is to be placed on the testimony of eye-witnesses concerning the number of shots then the testimony of Mrs. Hill and others like her should be considered. For reasons stated in Mr. Eisenberg's memorandum of March 7, 1964, I believe that expert testimony should be called to deal with the whole question as to whether the recollection of witnesses in this respect has any validity.

I am addressing this to Mr. Stern as well since Mrs. Hill's allegation, as transmitted to us by Mr. Lane, casts a reflection on the questioning techniques of the Secret Service.