

June 26, 1970

DOCUMENTATION RELATING TO
DAVID WILLIAM FERRIE

Mr. Weisberg in his letter of June 19, 1970, argues in the last paragraph on page one and the first two paragraphs on page two with the reply you furnished him on June 12, 1970, dealing with his request for the Ferrie material.

Our observations and comments previously furnished to you regarding the Ferrie material remain unchanged; that is, the final decision as to the public disclosure of the material concerning Ferrie rests with the Department of Justice, but this Bureau has no objection to public disclosure of this material.

Mr. Weisberg argues that "all the records of the Warren Commission are not in the National Archives." This Bureau has no information that any of the Ferrie material which we furnished to the Warren Commission was not turned over by that Commission to the National Archives. It is noted that the last sentence of the Foreword to the published Report of the Commission reads: "The Commission is committing all of its reports and working papers to the National Archives, where they can be permanently preserved under the rules and regulations of the National Archives and applicable Federal law." So far as is known by this Bureau, this was done by the Commission before it went out of existence.

Mr. Weisberg's argument in the second full paragraph of his letter draws a distinction between "documents" and "information." He does not describe what he means by "information" and the distinction he draws does not appear to make sense. Mr. Weisberg's reference to Carlos Marcello is also not clear, although [redacted] advised this Bureau on November 27, 1963, that Ferrie had done some investigative work in the Marcello case. This was reported in Dallas report of Special Agent [redacted] dated December 2, 1963, which was furnished to the Warren Commission.

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