UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

O SAC, DALLAS (89-43) DATE: 11/26/63

ROM SA JOSEPH G. PEGGS

UBJECT: ASSASSINATION OF
PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY

At about 3:30 p.m., 11/25/63, Agents ALFRED D. NEELEY, J. CALVIN RICE and JOSEPH G. PEGGS contacted Mr. MIKE SHAPIRO, Manager, WFAA-TV, Dallas, at which time he furnished the following information:

Mr. SHAPIRO showed Agents an enlarged photograph taken by an Associated Press (AP) photographer on 11/22/63, showing the President in his car immediately after he was shot. This photo also showed an individual standing in the entrance of the Texas School Book Depository Building who was wearing similar clothing and had some general physical characteristics similar to those of OSWALD. This photo is described as (DN 5, 11/22/63, Dallas, Texas).

Immediately after this photo was taken it was forwarded by wire to AP, New York City, N.Y., and subsequently transmitted to other AP offices throughout the country. An individual in the AP office, Pittsburgh, Pa., noted the similarity between the individual in the doorway and OSWALD.

Mr. SHAPIRO advised that AP, New York, as well as the ABC-TV net work were standing by waiting to release this photo of drawing attention to the similarity between the individual in the doorway and OSWALD. Before doing this, they wanted some statement from the FBI as to whether or not these two individuals are identical.

The above was telephonically furnished to Inspector JAMES MALLEY and he instructed that SHAPIRO be told that the FBI could make no comment at the present time. After being told this, SHAPIRO indicated that in the absence of any statement from the FBI, ABC would make no release in connection with this photo.

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SHAPIRO furnished SA PEGGS a copy of the above photo which was returned to WFAA-TV at 6:30 p.m., 11/25/63.

At 4:30 p.m., 11/25/63, Mr. BELMONT, from the Bureau, advised Inspector MALLEY that the AP in New York had photograph that bore number on the bottom FK 61345 BTF with note "editor, this is a blow-up of DN 2 making images larger DN 5, Dallas, Texas, -- 11/22". The AP had indicated to Mr. BELMONT that an Agent had picked up this photo and it was noted that in this photo appeared a man apparently standing in the doorway of the Texas School Book Depository Building and that this man appeared to be OSWALD.

With the permission of Mr. BELMONT, the photo obtained from Mr. MIKE SHAPIRO, WFAA-TV in Dallas, was exhibited to Mr. ROY TRULY, warehouse manager, Texas Scho Book Depository Building, by SA MAT A. PINKSTON. After Mr. TRULY observed the photo he stated "That picture resembles OSWALD, but it's not OSWALD. It's BILLY LOVELADY."

On 11/25/63, Mr. LOVELADY, 7722 Hume, observed the photo and immediately picked out the photo as being his photo and produced a copy of this photo he had taken from newspaper, stating he had observed himself previously in the newspaper photo and was saving it. He stated there was no question whatsoever but that was a photo of himself.