

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC

DATE: 11-23-63

FROM : SA CHARLES M. UNGERMANN

SUBJECT: ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY

On November 23, 1963, Mr. J.J. COCHRAN, FBI Lab, firearms expert, Washington, D.C., telephonically advised the Springfield Division at 9:10 a.m., of his need for a box of ammunition manufactured by Western at East Alton, Illinois. COCHRAN described the ammunition which he was desirous to obtain as follows:

Base of the cartridge around the primer bore the head stamp WCC6<sup>9</sup> M/M, full metal case, with no bullet being exposed on the nose or point of the projectile. The weight is approximately 156 grains. This ammunition was to be loaded in a 6.5 mm Marlicker (ph) - Caracao, an old style Italian rifle. COCHRAN advised to have this box of ammunition if it could be obtained here in our division or contact Western officials to find out where it could be obtained and have it flown to Washington, D.C. and advise them of the expected arrival, flight number and airport of destination. COCHRAN advised to telephonically contact him when the ammunition was placed on the plane so they could have an agent meet the plane when it arrived.

On November 23, 1963, at 9:15 a.m., SA ROBERT C. HAINES of the Alton Resident Agency was advised of the request of COCHRAN. HAINES was immediately taking steps to make contact with Western and determine if it could be obtained and would forward same as instructed. HAINES stated he would telephonically advise Springfield Headquarters upon receipt.

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