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WILLEM OLTMANS REPORTS: "GENERAL DONALD A. DONALDSON CHARGES ALLEN DULLES  
MASTERMINDED JFK ASSASSINATION AND HOOVER/NIXON COMPLICITY"

Dutch journalist and noted JFK assassination specialist, Willem Oltmans, charges in the April issue of GALLERY Magazine that there is a new and important witness concerning JFK's assassination and further evidence available. Since the writing of his article, Oltmans has obtained additional information which leads him to conclude that this witness has been executed by the assassination conspirators. He further concludes that former CIA director Allen Dulles, fired by Kennedy in 1961 after the Bay of Pigs fiasco, gave the order for Kennedy's execution/assassination.

Oltmans has also expressed his concern over the disturbing pattern of lax responsiveness by the American media to the introduction of new and important Kennedy assassination witnesses and information. Oltmans, who was responsible for the wide coverage of the George De Mohrenschildt case in March of 1977, makes these charges amid a cataloging of the De Mohrenschildt story. He laments, however, that "It wasn't until De Mohrenschildt turned up dead that the press even began to consider that I might possibly be right about De Mohrenschildt's connection with the Kennedy assassination. And now, my new witness --- reliable sources tell me --- is most assuredly dead, and I wonder if his body will have to float down the river Thames before anyone in the press will pay attention."



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Oltmans' GALLERY article is introduced by Colonel L. Fletcher Prouty, formerly the chief liaison between the CIA and the Pentagon. Prouty's introduction does not endorse Oltmans' charges or the existence of the new witness. However, Prouty does make clear that, even if Oltmans' evidence is the result of a "cover story character," a device often used to discredit investigators hot on the trail, Oltmans' new witness is still an important revelation because it shows that "the cover-up still lives."

Oltmans' new witness is Dimiter Adamov Dimitrov, a Bulgarian national who, in 1943, founded the Bulgarian Democratic Liberation Movement to fight the Nazis. In late 1943 and early 1944, Dimitrov, now in the U.S. after fleeing the Communist takeover, was declared a U.S. citizen, made a titular general, and given a new name by President Franklin D. Roosevelt. From this moment on, Dimitrov was to be referred to as General Donald A. Donaldson. Donaldson was entrusted with a mission from Roosevelt to persuade Ivan Bagrianoff, Prime Minister of Bulgaria, to join the west instead of the Communists.

In 1947, General Donaldson also served in the Greek Civil War, fighting the Communists with Generals Skobie, Commander of the British Army, and James A. Van Fleet of the U.S. Army. This missing general (Donaldson) becomes important now, since he claims he was a special advisor to President Kennedy on Eastern European Communism. Donaldson claims that he was ordered by President Kennedy "to investigate the plot against my life." His story follows, because Kennedy was tipped

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off through the Soviet Embassy in Washington that a plot against his life had been ordered by Allen Dulles. Donaldson's investigation was thwarted by the cross fire in Dallas, and he went underground on the entire Kennedy assassination until 1975/1976.

The general surfaced again in 1975/1976 when he sent Senator Frank Church's committee two identical six-page letters in which he claimed knowledge of Kennedy's assassins and --- most importantly --- who gave the orders. To this date, neither Senator Church nor any member of the committee has revealed the existence or receipt of General Donaldson's letter. Donaldson finally revealed himself and his story to Oltmans on May 31, 1977 as a direct result of Oltmans' involvement with the De Mohrenschildt case. Oltmans quotes Donaldson as fingering the De Mohrenschildt connection: "You were right that De Mohrenschildt was the key contact between the conspirators in Washington, DC and the Dallas ambush team."

Oltmans' evidence and his witness have been discussed in public before. However, with the exception of his "Good Morning, America" (ABC Network) appearance, little media pickup has been given to this subject. Oltmans fears that, like his uncovering of the De Mohrenschildt case, no attention will be given to the Donaldson allegations until his body turns up or until this elusive witness decides to reappear --- a remote possibility.

Oltmans' article is accompanied by an insert story by Richard E. Sprague, photographic specialist and consultant to the

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Select Committee on Assassinations, U.S. House of Representatives. Sprague concludes there were four triggermen in Dallas. Their pictures are reproduced in his story. He concludes that the triggermen themselves are not really important. What is important are the names of the people who planned and commanded Kennedy's execution and who continue to mastermind its cover-up.

Oltmans further substantiates his theory of "copy w/ corpse" --- that is, the western press' reluctance to print *any* new material about figures such as De Mohrenschildt or Donaldson until their bodies appear --- by referring to a series of explosive articles by noted Japanese writer, Nobuhiko Ochiai, for SHUKAN BUNSHUN, a Japanese weekly magazine. In Oltmans' article, a 1600 word story by Ochiai is taken verbatim from the teleprinter of the Tokyo bureau of TASS, the Soviet news agency. This report appeared on September 22, 1977. Until its reproduction in GALLERY Magazine, "not one line" of Ochiai's story has been reproduced or reported on in any of the western media.

Ochiai has gathered his information on the Kennedy assassination from over ninety trips to the United States during a fourteen-year period. He also writes that:

\* The late FBI director J. Edgar Hoover and former CIA director Allen Dulles, with the knowledge and approval of former President Richard M. Nixon, planned and instigated the assassination of President John F. Kennedy. The final go-ahead for the assassination was given by Dulles who, as CIA director still commanded the fierce loyalty of the anti-Castro agents.

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\* Lee Harvey Oswald learned radar operations at the U.S. military base in Atsugi, Japan, and in 1959 the CIA sent him to Russia to purposely divulge information about U2 reconnaissance flights. This was followed by the downing of the U2 flown by pilot Francis Gary Powers in May 1960 and the break-up of the Eisenhower-Khrushchev summit conference scheduled to open in Paris 16 days later.

Oltmans' story contains a recollection of the warnings Kennedy had of his forthcoming assassination, and adds a report of a similar warning to President Carter. Oltmans' fear is that, without Donaldson's body, no one will take his story seriously.

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