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MEMORANDUM

April 16, 1964

TO: Mr. J. Lee Rankin
FROM: Arlen Sposter
SUBJECT: Remaining Work in Area I

1. Obtain accounts of the assassination from the eyewitness celebrities
 - a. President and Mrs. Johnson - I recommend that they testify before the Commission.
 - b. Mrs. Kennedy - I recommend that she testify before the Commission, especially since she will give a detailed account to Mr. Manchester, whom she has commissioned to write a history of the assassination.
 - c. Governor and Mrs. Connally - to testify before the Commission on April 21, 1964.
 - d. Senator Yarborough - He has been interviewed; I suggest that he be called before the Commission.
 - e. Clifford Carter - He has been interviewed and a statement has been prepared for him to sign based on that interview; I recommend that he not be called before the Commission
 - f. David Powers - He has been interviewed and a statement has been prepared for him to sign based on that interview; I recommend that he not be called before the Commission.
 - g. Kenneth O'Donnell - Arrangements have not yet been completed for his interview.
2. Obtain further medical evidence
 - a. Photographs and x-rays of the autopsy should be examined to make certain of the accuracy of the artist's drawings of President Kennedy's wounds.
 - b. Dr. Charles Gregory - Scheduled to testify before the Commission on April 21, 1964.
 - c. Dr. Robert Shaw - Scheduled to testify before the Commission on April 21, 1964.

2. C. J. Price, Administrator of Parkland Hospital, has undeveloped photographs of Lee Harvey Oswald which should be subpoenaed.
3. Depending on the testimony of Governor Connally and Drs. Gregory and Shaw, we may wish to call expert medical witnesses to testify about reaction time of an individual who has been struck by a bullet if the evidence indicates that President Kennedy and Governor Connally were struck by same bullet.
4. Obtain the videotape and audio transcript of the interview of Dr. Malcolm Perry immediately following the assassination.
5. It may be advisable to take depositions from medical personnel at Parkland (Dr. Seidie, Dr. Crenshaw and David Sanders) who were unavailable when prior depositions were taken. These individuals were on the periphery of the events, but it may be worthwhile to hear from them for purposes of completeness.
6. Plot the position of the President's automobile at the times of the three shots to calculate, as precisely as possible, distances and angles.
7. Present testimony on the clothing of President Kennedy and Governor Connally, and perhaps on the President's automobile.
8. Review and correct transcripts of my witnesses before the Commission.
9. Review, correct and summarize transcripts of the depositions which I have taken.