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General Correspondence No. 126

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Dear Mr. Kleindienst:

For several years, I have been trying without success, to learn the identity of various suspicious individuals mentioned in the Warren Commission Report. In examining the twenty-six volumes of hearings and exhibits, I have been unable to locate any detailed information such as investigative reports or witnesses statements, which might identify those who at the time of the Assassination were contemporaneously considered suspect. I shall hereinafter refer to these people as suspects, as there is no available evidence to indicate they were investigated and thus cleared.

My line of inquiry has basically concerned the suspects reported in Commission Exhibits 705 and 1974 which are radio log transcripts of the Dallas Police Department, the Texas Department of Public Safety and the Dallas County Sheriff's Office. In an effort to determine if identifying reports on these suspects existed, I contacted by mail, the Dallas Police Department, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Department of Justice and the National Archives. Except for the National Archives, the others responded with broad generalities, referals, evasions and in the last instance by refusing to respond at all.

In his letter of April 13, 1970 to my congressman, Mr. Will Wilson stated that the facts about which I had posed questions were innocuous. There is however, no proof that they are innocuous, because neither the Department or the Warren Commission Report showedany proof that these suspects were ever investigated and therefore could not have been officially cleared of any involvement in the Assassination of the President. Mr. Wilson also stated in his letter, that I had been assured the evidence amply supports the basic conclusions

of the Commission. I am not satisfied that <u>All</u> of the evidence does support the basic conclusion. Neither do I believe that ample support in such a case is a good substitute for unequivecal proof, if within the capacity of man to establish.

Since the begining of my inquiry, the basic question has been simple and to the point. Were these suspects investigated and if so, who are they and where are the investigative reports concerning them? We know, than in most instances police were sent to investigate. In some instances the police knew the numbers of the license plates of the vehicles driven by the suspects and in several instances, some of these suspects were at times actually in the hands of the police. Therefore, I think it reasonable to assume they were investigated and that their identities are known as well as reports having been written about them.

I would like to know if the Department of Justice or the Federal Bureau of Investigation does have or has had any reports on these suspects. I would appreciate a yes or no answer.

I do not at this time have copies of the previous correspondence on this matter however, one set was sent to Mr. Mithcell on January 10, 1970 by certified mail and another is in the hand of congressman James J. Howard, House of Representatives. I am sure congressman Howard still has his set and would be glad to make it available for your examination.

I am also aware that 5 USC provides me with a legal alternative, if the Department of Justice continues its evasiveness. I am prepared to move in that direction should it become necessary.

Very truly yours,

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General Correspondence No. 122

May 23, 1970

Mr. Will Wilson Assistant Attorney General Criminal Division Department of Justice Washington, D. C. 20530

Dear Mr. Wilson:

It is with a heavy heart, that I read your communication of 13 April, to Congressman Howard and make no mistake about that.

Seriously, it is difficult to know whether or not the facts refered to in my letters are innocuous, because there is no available evidence to indicate these matters were ever investigated (radio log items enclosed). Since my first inquiries several years ago, both the Dallas Police Department and the Department of Justice have refused to address themselves to the specific items mentioned in my customary correspondence. If my letters were numerous, it was probably due to the fact that they have always been answered in generalities.

The assurance that the Commission was thorough and that the evidence amply supports its conclusions, is I think, comparable to a defendant proclaiming his innocence before the court. The case still has to be proven.

I have presented specific instances from CE-705 and CE-1974 where suspect persons and vehicles were reported and because I could not find any investigative reports in the twenty-six volumes of the Commissions report, which relate to them, I brought my case to the Justice Department. You say this information is included in the Commissions report. I would challange you to produce it, or evidence that such documents are in the National Archives. Neither myself, other researchers, or the employees of the National Archives have been able to locate it.

My question is a simple one. Were they or were they not investigated? If they were, such reports should be in the Archives, but one has yet to find them. I would assume that if police officers were dispatched to the scene where these suspects were reported, they would conduct at least

a cursory investigation. Are these facts really innocuous and if so, why are the reports concerning them being suppressed?

With kindest regards to your corcular file, I am

Sincerely yours,

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