

1 - Office, 7133  
1 - Mr. Frazier

November 26, 1969

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EX-102

Mr. Howard Roffman  
8829 Blue Grass Road  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19115

Dear Mr. Roffman:

Reference is made to your letter dated November 14, 1969, concerning the shape, size and fiber characteristics of the slit in the button line near the collar of President Kennedy's shirt and the possible presence of residues on this shirt in the area of this slit.

Each of the above was considered in the FBI Laboratory's examinations of President Kennedy's shirt. These examinations, I assure you, were thorough and inclusive and the results are set out in the detail warranted by the nature and physical condition and composition of the shirt in the testimony of Special Agent Robert A. Frazier in Volume V, pages sixty through sixty-two, of the Hearings before the President's Commission on the Assassination of President Kennedy. In view of this, it is the opinion of this Bureau that further examinations would serve no useful purpose; and, therefore, I regret that I am unable to comply with your request.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover  
Director

NOTE: Addressee has previously corresponded with Bureau concerning assassination matters and has been furnished info (see his letter dated 8/8/68, in Bufile 62-109060, Serial 6550; and his letter dated 7/17/69, in Bufile 94-5, Serial 70809).

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*Handwritten signatures and initials:*  
J. Edgar Hoover (typed)  
John Edgar Hoover (typed)  
Director (typed)  
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226 - shirt

Frazier wrote this 11/26/69 letter to Howard Roffman, for Hoover's signature.

The requests pertained to the characteristics of the slits on the front of JFK's shirt.

Frazier referred Howard to Frazier's commission testimony, 5H60-2.

Based on this testimony, Frazier states, "further examination would serve no useful purpose."

This is contrary to his deposition testimony. He then testified that he had Stombaugh(?) make exactly the examination Howard requested. The results of this examination of the characteristics of the damage to the shirt are not included in any meaningful way in Frazier's testimony, and no such test results are known to have been provided to the Commission or were provided in C.A. 75-226.