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Re WEO let and LHM 3/13/67 captioned "ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY, 11/22/63, DALLAS, TEXAS; MISC.-INFO. CONCERNING" (bufile 62-109060).

Enclosed for the Bureau are four copies of an LHM dated and captioned as above. Two copies of the LHM are enclosed for the Knoxville Office.

For the info of the Knoxville Office, re LHM contained info originating from the Teamsters Union, WDC, relating to EDWARD G. PARTIN and the possibility that he would be subpoenaed by a grand jury in New Orleans, La., in connection with his involvement in the investigation of the assassination of President KENNEDY.

SA HAROLD RUBENSTEIN received the info from IRVING DAVIDSON while contacting him on another matter.

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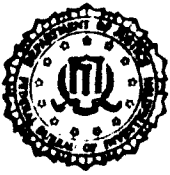
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On March 31, 1967, Mr. I. Irving Davidson, 1612 K Street, N.W., Washington, D.C., a public relations agent, advised that he has learned through his associations at Teamsters Union Headquarters in Washington, D. C., that a number of Teamsters attorneys have been in frequent contact with Edward C. Partin. Partin, a witness in the Chattanooga, Tennessee, trial of subject, Hoffa, is alleged to be "cracking" under the threat of the pressure applied by the states of Alabama and Louisiana to prosecute him for crimes committed in those states.

In the hopes that Hoffa can aid him in connection with pending prosecution in Alabama and Louisiana, it is alleged that Partin may attempt to assert that his testimony against Hoffa was fabrication supplied him by Walter Sheridan, former aide to Senator Robert Kennedy. Davidson did not know how Partin was depending on any help from Hoffa, but noted that on two occasions prior to his incarceration, Hoffa received phone calls from Partin, both of which were recorded by means of "tape." The Teamsters are currently in possession of these tapes. During these telephone conversations, Partin is alleged to have pleaded for Hoffa's assistance to keep him (Partin) from facing a long prison sentence. Hoffa is alleged to have advised Partin to "simply tell the truth."

Davidson stated that a magazine believed to be "Life" has set aside in trust sixty-five or seventy-five thousand dollars for Partin's children in accordance with terms of an agreement relating to a story printed by the magazine about Partin's exploits. During one of the phone calls Partin

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mentioned this trust, indicating that the money would be lost if he states that his testimony was false. Hoffa, interpreting this as a request for money to substitute this loss, advised Partin that he could do nothing about the money. Davidson stated that Hoffa made this statement to Partin to preclude any additional accusations of bribery on Hoffa's part.

Davidson was unable to furnish any additional information concerning the above and was unable to further clarify or explain any of the above.

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