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BY COURIER SERVICE

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Honorable J. Lee Rankin
General Counsel
The President's Commission
200 Maryland Avenue, Northeast
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Rankin:

Reference is made to your letter dated March 20, 1964, concerning allegations in the press that one or more shots fired at the Presidential limousine came from the vicinity of the triple overpass toward which the limousine was headed.

This Bureau has conducted numerous interviews with persons known to have been in the vicinity of the triple overpass at the time of President Kennedy's assassination. Many of these interviews have been previously incorporated in investigative reports furnished to you.

The following is a listing of interviews previously conducted and furnished to you of individuals on or near the triple overpass on November 22, 1963, with specific reference to reports wherein this information is recorded.

Report of Special Agent Robert P. Gemberling dated November 30, 1963, at Dallas, Texas, captioned, "Lee Harvey Oswald; Assassination of President John Fitzgerald Kennedy, 11/22/63, Dallas, Texas, Assaulting Federal Officer."

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| Lee E. Bowers, Jr. | 43 |
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| S. M. Holland | 49 and 50 |
| Oscar McVey | 52 |
| Frances Gayle Newman | 53 |
| William Eugene Newman | 54 and 55 |
| Jean (Mrs. Purser Edward) Newman | 56 and 57 |
| Jesse C. Price | 65 |

Report of Special Agent Robert P. Gemberling dated December 10, 1963, at Dallas, Texas, captioned, "Lee Harvey Oswald, aka., Internal Security - R - Cuba."

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| Mrs. Charles Hoster | 30 |

Report of Special Agent Robert P. Gemberling dated December 23, 1963, at Dallas, Texas, captioned, "Lee Harvey Oswald, Internal Security - Russia - Cuba."

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| Royce Glenn Skelton | 26 |
| Austen Lawrence Miller | 27 and 28 |
| Frank E. Reilly | 29 |
| Jim Tague | 31 |
| John F. Dolan | 32 and 33 |
| John Arthur Chism | 38 |
| Patrolman Joseph M. Smith | 39 |
| Patrolman E. V. Brown | 39 and 40 |
| Patrolman Joe Murphy | 41 |

As of March 17, 1964, our Dallas Office interviewed nine additional individuals who were in this vicinity and on March 24, 1964, and March 25, 1964, the last three interviews of persons known to be in this area on November 22, 1963, were conducted. The results of those interviews are being incorporated in an investigative report by our Dallas Office which will be furnished to you at an early date.

Honorable J. Lee Rankin

All of the persons interviewed in connection with this matter were specifically asked if they had observed any suspicious actions and for the identification of other individuals who may have observed pertinent activity in this area.

In view of the above no further action is being taken in this matter.

Sincerely yours,

NOTE: Commission by letter 3/20/64 made reference to numerous allegations appearing in the press that President Kennedy was shot from the triple overpass. This speculation was probably prompted by statements issued by several doctors affording President Kennedy emergency treatment at Parkland Memorial Hospital in Dallas, to the effect the President had a hole in the front of his throat. This statement was pounced upon by some journalists as inferring this was a bullet entry hole, which is not the case.

The Commission requested we interview all persons in the vicinity of triple overpass insuring that certain specific questions were asked. Since we have interviewed all persons known to have been in this vicinity and each has been exhaustively questioned, no further action appears warranted. Dallas has advised the additional interviews conducted as indicated in the above letter will be set out in the next report submitted which report will subsequently be sent to the President's Commission.