

RUSH TO JUDGMENT

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Harold - This also  
from last release  
to Mark Allen -  
shows they had Victor  
files on critics.

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September 28, 1968

Honorable James Harvey  
House of Representatives  
Washington, D. C. 20515

1 - Mr. DeLoach  
1 - Mr. Rosen  
1 - Mr. Malley  
1 - Mr. Shroder  
1 - Mr. Raupach

My dear Congressman:

This is to acknowledge your letter dated September 20, 1968, enclosing a copy of a letter from [REDACTED] a resident of [REDACTED] Michigan. (b)(7)(c)

Mark Lane, mentioned by [REDACTED] is the author of the book entitled "Rush to Judgment," which is critical of The President's Commission on the Assassination of President Kennedy and its findings. (b)(7)(c)

By specific request from The President's Commission, this Bureau conducted considerable investigation regarding this matter. The results of our investigation were furnished to The President's Commission for its consideration. In addition, other Government agencies also contributed results of investigation as requested. Reports and exhibits prepared by this Bureau and furnished to The President's Commission are now in possession of the National Archives.

If a thorough study of the report by The President's Commission on the Assassination of President Kennedy is made by those who have heard comments from Mark Lane and authors of other books critical of The President's Commission, it might help to clarify their questions.

Sincerely yours,

KMR:pwl (8)

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**NOTE: Congressman Harvey is on the Special Correspondents' List.**  
The letter he enclosed from his constituent, [REDACTED] urged him to use his position to release alleged hidden facts relating to the assassination. This assumption by [REDACTED] was made after listening to Mark Lane who has been utilizing radio programs to publicize his book. Bureau files contain no information concerning [REDACTED]

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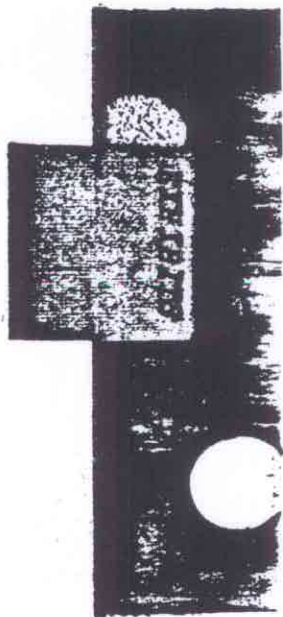
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The Attorney General

August 2, 1966

Director, FBI

PUBLIC DISCLOSURE OF  
WARREN COMMISSION RECORDS

1 - Mr. DeLoach  
1 - Mr. Rosen  
1 - Mr. Malley  
1 - Mr. Shroder  
1 - Mr. C. Cooke  
1 - Mr. Sullivan  
1 - Mr. Conrad

Reference is made to my letters dated June 16, 1966, captioned, "Letter of Inquiry from Mark Lane dated June 8, 1966," and June 27, July 14, 1966, captioned, "Public Disclosure of Warren Commission Records."

These communications expressed my wish to dispose of evidence and exhibits temporarily being held by this Bureau in connection with the assassination of President Kennedy.

Public Law 89-512 granted authority to the Attorney General to decide the items of evidence pertaining to the assassination which should be acquired and preserved by the United States Government. Inasmuch as that Public Law is to expire on November 2, 1966, I would appreciate being advised of what action is to be taken by the Bureau to relinquish possession of the hundreds of items in our custody.

1 - The Deputy Attorney General

1 - Mr. Fred H. Vliessen, Jr.  
Assistant Attorney General

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NOTE: See Memo, Sullivan from Branigan, 6/23/66, re "Lee Harvey Oswald; IS--Russia--Cuba;" REL:kas; and memo DeLoach from Rosen 6/15/66, re "Assassination of President John Fitzgerald Kennedy; 11/22/63; Dallas, Texas; Miscellaneous - Information Concerning," KMF:eam. The Director has expressed the desirability of the Bureau getting rid of the various exhibits in our possession.

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The Attorney General

July 13, 1966

Director, FBI

1 - Mr. DeLoach  
1 - Mr. Rosen  
1 - Mr. Malley  
1 - Mr. Shroder  
① - Mr. Rampach  
1 - Mr. Sullivan  
1 - Mr. Conrad

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These communications indicated my desire to relinquish evidence and exhibits temporarily being retained by this Bureau relating to the assassination of President Kennedy.

Since the passage of Public Law 89-318 on November 2, 1966, which gave the Attorney General authority to determine the means of evidence pertaining to the assassination of President Kennedy which should be acquired and preserved by the United States Government, no information has been received as to what action is to be taken. In view of the requirement that each of the hundreds of items will require individual consideration, I would appreciate a reply in this respect so that this Bureau can take such steps as are necessary to relinquish the numerous items in our possession either to a Governmental agency or private individual designated by you.

1 - The Deputy Attorney General

1 - Mr. Fred M. Vinson, Jr.  
Assistant Attorney General

KMR:em

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

Mr. Herbert E. Hoffman  
Chief, Legislative and Legal Section

DATE: June 21, 1966

FROM : Director, FBI

SUBJECT: EXPIRING STATUTES

Your memorandum of June 16, 1966, requested a listing of those statutes or provisions of interest to this Bureau which, by their terms, will terminate within the next several years unless extended by legislation.

Except for appropriation bills, only one statute in which this Bureau has a direct interest appears to be pertinent. Public Law 89-318, passed November 2, 1965, authorized the Attorney General to determine which items of evidence pertaining to the assassination of President Kennedy should be acquired and preserved by the United States. ~~Items acquired under this statute have been retained in the custody of the FBI.~~

The statute, by its terms, is due to expire one year, from ~~the date of enactment and as it appears to have served its intended purpose, the Bureau does not recommend that it be extended.~~



UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : Mr. Mohr

DATE 6/20/66

FROM : J. J. Casper

SUBJECT: EXPIRING STATUTES

The Department asked for our views concerning a request from the Bureau of the Budget to list statutes and provisions in statutes which, by their terms, will terminate within the next several years unless extended by legislation. The Department also asked for recommendations as to whether the expiring legislation should be extended.

Except for appropriation bills, only one statute in which the Bureau has a direct interest appears to be pertinent. Public Law 89-318, passed November 2, 1965, authorized the Attorney General to determine which items of evidence pertaining to the assassination of President Kennedy should be acquired and preserved by the United States. Under this statute, when the Attorney General made such a determination all rights, title, and interest in and to that item was to be vested in the United States upon publication of that fact in the Federal Register.

The statute, by its terms, declared that the authority granted was to expire one year from the date of enactment. Therefore, the provisions of this law will remain in effect until November 2, 1966, unless extended.

Renewal of this authority is not recommended as the statute appears to have served its intended purpose. In addition, certain items acquired by the United States in connection with the investigation of the assassination have been held in the custody of this Bureau and extension could possibly create more custodial burdens of a similar nature.

## Enclosure

1 - Mr. DeLoach  
1 - Mr. Wick  
1 - Mr. Casper  
1 - Mr. Callahan  
1 - Mr. Conrad  
1 - Mr. Felt  
1 - Mr. Gale  
1 - Mr. Rosen

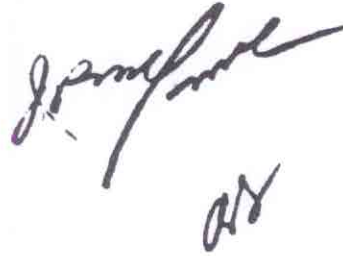
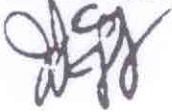
1 - Mr. Sullivan  
1 - Mr. Tavel  
1 - Mr. Trotter  
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Memo Casper to Mohr  
Re: Expired Salaries

RECOMMENDATION:

That the attached letter be sent to the Department advising that Public Law 89-318, due to expire November 2, 1966, is of interest to this Bureau but we do not recommend that it be extended.

  
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