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The Federal Bureau Of Investigation

2. Early Bureau Response To The President's Assassination

A. November 22-25, 1963

1. Early teletypes; instructions to field; Hoover, Sullivan, Belmont memos; 80 agents to Dallas
2. Jenkins memo of Nov 24: Hoover says Oswald alone did it, Bureau must "convince the public Oswald is the real assassin."
3. Hoover memo on Nov 26: "wrap up investigation; seem to me we have the basic facts now" 62-109060-1490
4. Hoover memo on Nov 29: "hope to have investigation wrapped up by next week"

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Multiple sources

B. Lee Harvey Oswald

1. Establishing chain of evidence, bullet to gun, etc.

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2. Hosty note destruction; handling by Bureau on Nov 24 and effect in subsequent days
3. Interviews of Oswald associates, Marina wiretap M. MARTINES, ETC.

C. Jack Ruby

1. Basic facts, early memos
2. Hoover suspicion of basement entry and assistance
3. extensive teletypes and reports on organized crime connections, also Hoover's own memos
4. contacts in 1959 as P.C.I - for use as informer on criminal element in Dallas

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2. Structure and Methods of the Bureau Investigation

A. Basic Organization and Jurisdiction

1. Legal basis of FBI involvement in probe, statutes,
2. Hoover and Belmont memos
3. Organization chart

B. General Investigative Division G.I.D.

1. Rosen testimony on "ancillary nature" of probe; lack of meetings; assignment to bank robbery desk
2. Supervisors Senate testimony on physical evidence chain
3. Sullivan on lack of communication with Domestic Intelligence - the Division running the probe of LEO
LACK OF COORDINATION BETWEEN DIV 5-6.
4. Rosen characterization of FBI "standing with pockets open waiting for evidence to drop in"
5. Supervisors testimony on LEO not being included in G.I.D. probe other than in relation to physical evidence
6. Rosen didn't know of "Cals Report" which found deficiencies in Bureau coverage of Oswald
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C. Domestic Intelligence Division D.I.D. DIV. 5

1. LEO background established, prior coverage
2. Sullivan testimony on chaotic process, lack of input
3. Soviet experts handled Oswald investigation
4. Secret disciplining of DID officials who handled pre-assassination investigation of Oswald
5. Incident of Sullivan's people copying CID files
6. Hosty note destruction: Sullivan lack of knowledge
7. Assignment of Ruby probe to Civil Rights Division - outside of DID jurisdiction, thus not a part of general Oswald investigation.

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D. Investigation of Potential Cuban Aspects

1. Cancellation of orders to contact Cuban sources on Nov 23

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2. Relation of [REDACTED] from memo provided to Commission (S-1)(S)

3. Cuban experts and supervisors excluded from investigation (S-2)(S) b1

4. Church Committee findings on narrow Cuban focus

5. [REDACTED] (S-1)(S)

E. Investigation of Potential Organized Crime Aspects

1. Hoover memos and teletypes on Ruby connections

2. Ruby phone records

3. Justice Dept. interest in probing O.C. aspects

4. Chicago interviews with Ruby associates

5. Evans and Staffeld (and Denahy and Stanley) statements on not being consulted

6. Use of Ruby as informant on Dallas criminal element

7. LCH sources available at time

3. Bureau Relationship With Warren Commission

A. Formation of Warren Commission

1. Hoover opposition: memo and Jenkins memo

2. Katzenbach testimony and Sullivan statement

3. Early memos - adversary relationship

4. Hoover blocking Warren's choice for general counsel

5. Preparation of dossiers on staff and members.

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B. Assistance To Warren Commission

1. Basic scope of official relationship
2. Early friction over informant allegation (LHO)
3. Withholding of Hosty name from Oswald notebook
4. Hoover instructions to agents not to volunteer info. to WC
5. Destruction of Hosty note: implications
6. Withholding of secret "Cale Report" on Bureau mistakes in earlier Oswald probe; disciplining of officials
7. Hoover instructions ordering that no Bureau official attend earliest WC session, despite Katzenbach request
8. Delay in sending information to Commission regarding Bureau's past mine contacts with Ruby
9. Apparent withholding of "oswald imposter" memos of 1960-1961

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11. Handling of Ruby polygraph

C. Related Bureau Actions and Activities

1. Preparation of dossiers on WC staff after the Report was sent SEPT. 24, 64
2. Hoover's leaking of early FBI report (Sullivan statement)
3. Hoover views on Communism and Oswald (Kronheim letter)
4. Sullivan relationship with Angleton: pre-arranging of answers to Commission questions.
5. Secret plan to distribute Oswald-Marxist posters in Bureau plan to discredit Communist Party; prejudicial aspects
6. Hoover reaction to Warren Report
7. Subsequent preparation of sex dossiers on critics of probe
8. Questions regarding FBI's continual pledge that "case will remain open for all time;" actual designation of it as "closed" in internal Bureau files.

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Dear Susan:

I have delayed a bit answering your letter for I thought my schedule might be such that I would attend a meeting in Green Bay and could arrange to drop by your Kaukauna High School and speak on the assassination. But, alas it is not going to happen. The meeting is scheduled for Madison now.

I do not see how I can work my way over to your school this semester, as much as I would like to. This is especially difficult for me to say in light of my fond recollection of you in the JFK course. I can envision where you sat on the east section of the the Collins Classroom lecture hall, mid way up.

If I possibly can arrange my travel I shall work out a way to visit your classes.

Unfortunately the gods seem to be against me this year with commitments, classes to teach, and the time consuming problems of academic issues.

Please do not give up on me.

Regards

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