

DFO 89-43, Serial 9165

Exemptions claimed, withholdings, Weisberg Privacy Act request

On this record the name of the agent who received a call from Division 6 (Inspector Rex Shroder) is withheld under a claim to (7)(C). I believe it is entirely unjustified.

This record contains no file designation on the typed copy, which is exceptional. I believe the reason is perhaps to not reveal where records relating to me are filed in Dallas.

The first paragraph is correct in stating that a friend of mine had found a spent and practically intact bullet in a planter in Dealey Plaza and that, although I believed it was a "plant," I felt I should call it to the FBI's attention.

What this record reflects is the withholding of a large number of other records that should have been provided under my Privacy Act requests, requests in the plural because separate requests were addressed to the Dallas and Baltimore Field Offices and to the Bureau as well as to the Department.

Dallas did not provide this or any related records in response to my Privacy Act request and the same is true of Baltimore.

In the case of Baltimore, to this day no records have been provided from the Frederick residency and in this case I personally handed the spent bullet to the Special Agent in charge of the local residency, Ronald Lichtinger.

He returned it to me, also by hand, actually coming out to my home to give it to me, and read to me from a statement that he had written out in longhand on a ruled yellow legal-size pad.

While this reflects a considerable effort on the FBI not to generate records about me or relating to me that I would have, it also reflects the existence of records not provided and required to be provided under my P.A. request.

These records should include how the information reached Inspector Shroder from Agent Lichtinger and how Agent Lichtinger received the bullet and whatever he had been told to read to me from the yellow pad.

Inventory Worksheet
FD-503 (2-18-77)

File No: 29-43 SA110279

Re: _____

Date: _____ (month/year)

Serial	Date	Description (Type of communication, to, from)	No. of Pages		Exemptions used or, to whom referred (Identify statute if (b)(3) cited)
			Actual	Released	
9164	12/3/70	AIR LETTER TO SC	1	0	referred, returned
9165	12/4/70	AIR MAIL TO SAC, PL	2	2	b7c
9166	12/9/70	AD LETTER TO PL	1	0	referred, returned
9167	12/2/70	AIR MAIL TO SAC	1	0	"
9168	12/10/70	DE RICHEL - 2 3 2	1	0	"
9169	12/11/70	WFO LETTER TO PL	1	0	"
9170	12/11/70	DE RICHEL TO PL	1	0	"
9171	12/15/70	PL LHM	4	3	"
9172	12/16/70	PL LHM TO PL	1	0	"
9173	12/17/70	AIR MAIL TO SAC, PL	3	3	b7c
9174	12/18/70	FD-302 MEMO FOR NEWTON	3	0	referred, returned
9175	12/18/70	SC LETTER TO PL	1	0	"

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, DALLAS (89-43)

DATE: 12/9/70

FROM :

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SUBJECT: ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY, DALLAS, TEXAS, NOVEMBER 22, 1963
MISC. - INFORMATION CONCERNING

OO: DALLAS

At 5:20 P.M., 12/8/70, Inspector REX SHRODER, Division 6, SOG, called stating the Bureau was in receipt of a letter from HAROLD WISBERG, author of the book "White Wash", (a critical account of the investigation into the assassination of President JOHN F. KENNEDY), and in the letter WISBERG alleged a "friend" of his recently found a spent, practically intact, bullet in a planter on Houston Street near the KENNEDY Memorial in Dallas. WISBERG indicated in his letter he suspected this reported discovery was a plant, but wanted to call this to the attention of the Bureau and offered to make the bullet available for examination by the FBI Laboratory if such was desired.

MR. SHRODER stated he desired you or SA ROBERT P. GEMBERLING to call him or the Division Night Supervisor, back 12/8/70, and advise whether such a reported discovery had come to the attention of the Dallas Office or the Dallas PD. He stated, however, no direct inquiry concerning this should be made of the Dallas PD. When advised that you were tied up on an on scene investigative matter, MR. SHRODER stated SA GEMBERLING should be queried concerning this. He said a return phone call regarding his inquiry would be sufficient and no written reply would be necessary unless we had knowledge of WISBERG alleged discovery.

I contacted SA GEMBERLING at the Lubbock EA, apprised him of the above, and he stated no such information has been reported to this office, nor do we have any knowledge any such information has come to the attention of the Dallas PD. SA GEMBERLING said he was confident that had the Dallas PD received such a report they would have brought it to our attention.

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At approximately 6:00 P.M., 12/8/70, I furnished the above comments of SA GEMBEFLING to SA WILLIAM F. HOOD, Night Supervisor, Division 6, in the absence of MR. SHRODER. SA HOOD stated unless advised to the contrary no written confirmation would be necessary.

For your information.