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Dear Jim,

In today's mail I got from Bud what he probably intended as a kindness but really sickened me, a summary of some French local matter called "L'Homme qui avait tué Kennedy". And some crazier, unbecoming and not wanting to know local actually spent the time to translate this rubbish? By God man, you now with a Committee to investigate assassination but to tempt them! How anybody can lay claim to knowing where Kennedy was when he was killed can go for this kind of insanity and out any effort or credence in it I simply can't understand. But there apparently is nothing rational that can have any appeal there. The serious works Bud doesn't have to read. The sickness gives him what to him is strength. If somebody can't try and straighten him out it will get to where something will have to be done for him, for this kind of thing and the frustration it makes inevitable and the terrible waste entailed cannot but effect a man's mind. The notes he added to the set he sent me are not jokes. They are intended to be taken seriously.

I'd have written anyway to say that whatever you said you had sent third class has not yet come. It never pays

Clip enclosed in case you haven't heard of your new (newsy) judge down there.

Best regards,

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BRIEF
SUMMARY
(Translation by friend of Fensterwald)
L'Homme qui crut tuer Kennedy

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Authors' thesis:

- I. Oswald decided to kill Kennedy because he thought this would ensure his being accepted by Castro.
- II. The real killer was paid by a group of ultra-conservative Dallas multi-millionaires who used Oswald's ambition to cover their own involvement.

I.

p. 62-63 Oswald already disenchanted with life in Minsk and the factory is invited to Alexandre Zieger's. There he meets Alonso, a Cuban student who glorifies the Cuban revolution--so different from the stagnation reached in the Russian revolution.

p.70 Jan. 4, 1961, Oswald told by Aksonov that he can become a citizen--however he prefers to wait. Starts to write a study of life in the USSR--describes faults of factory system.

p.73 writes to U.S. Embassy asking to go home.

p.94 July 1962 in U.S. Embassy meets with FBI man and promises "total collaboration in all circumstances"

p.98 visit to MVD; Aksonov tells him to go back to States and live there quietly. One day, if he continues to believe in socialism they will call upon him.

p. 106 July 19, 1962 State Dept. gives orders for O. to receive return visa.

p. 109 Marina told by Aksonov that she is to be O's. "control".

p. 111 Starts to write "On Collectivism" while on board the Holland America Line on his way back to the States.

p. 123 Fort Worth; sent for by FBI agent Fain. This is just a routine inquiry because he had been to Russia. Oswald furious that he is being taken so casually.

p. 126 Aug. 27, 1962 Paul Gregory asks Marina to give him Russian lessons.

p. 128 The Gregories invite the Oswalds to dinner where they are introduced to the White Russian Colony.

p. 134- Fain and Brown of the FBI ask Oswald to try and discover if any Reds have
136 infiltrated the White Russian Colony. Fain asks him about Marina's uncle at the MVD and Col. Aksonov. Fain returns Oswald's file and marks it "to be filed"

p. 137 In the State Dept. passport office the red card with notations that Oswald's passport should not be renewed is removed--no one knows by whom.

- p. 137 George de Mohrenschildt; O. talks to him of his deception in the USSR, saying Cuba is the only place in the world where the "revolution" is young and authentic
- p. 142 end of September: Lee quits his job. George Bouhe finds him one in Dallas where he goes without Marina. Two weeks later, at his request, she joins him; numerous fights and separations.
- p. 147 O. is contacted by James Hosty, FBI special agent.
- p. 155 Feb. 17, 1963 Marina writes to Embassy of USSR saying she would like to return home and asks for financial aid.
- p. 158 Buys Mannlicher Carcano. It arrives on March 25, 1963.
- p. 161 Loses job at Jaggars-Chiles Stovall.
- p. 162 Attempts to shoot General Walker.
- p. 165 Easter Sunday--Mohrenschildts take stuffed rabbit for June, they see the gun.
- p. 167 Two days later, in a bar, a man gives him a pamphlet "Fair Play for Cuba" Man runs away, O. catches up with him and he shoves pamphlets into O's hands. That evening O. paints a sign "Hands Off Cuba--Long Live Castro" Next morning at 9:00 a.m. he is outside Green's Department Store. In ten minutes he has got rid of all the pamphlets. He drops sign and escapes into the store just as two policemen arrive. Writes to "Fair Play for Cuba" in New York and receives more pamphlets by mail.
- p. 169 Discovers Marina is his "contol" He is furious, humiliated.
- p. 171 O. sent for by FBI. He tells them he is going to New Orleans, offers to be useful. Agent offers him \$200 a month to infiltrate Cuban refugees.
- p. 173 April 24, O. leaves for New Orleans; Marina stays with Ruth.
- p. 184 Sympathizes with Castroists.
- p. 188 Has tracts printed.
- p. 189 Paragraph in Times Picayune "Military Police chases Castroite distributing propoganda at the docks".
- p. 193 Dave Ferrie and drug addicts talk of assassination of JFK (no names of others present).
- p. 197-206 De Brueys of FBI sends for O. and tells him to find out about Carlos Bringuier (anti-Castroite)
O. provokes disturbance by handing out pro-Castro pamphlets; tangles with Bringuier and is taken to police station. FBI (Quigley) turns up. O. fined \$10 and gets his name in the local papers--on the front page.
- p. 207 Goes to see Ferrie who refuses to fly him to Cuba.
- p. 213 Interviewed by William Kirk Stuckey for local radio station.
- p. 216 ~~date~~ ^{De bates} on radio with Carlos Bringuier and a Cuban anti-Castroite.

- p. 218 September 9, 1963 menacing speech by Castro against JFK
- p. 219 Meets Mexican (unidentified) in street he had seen at Dave Ferrie's. Mexican takes him to the Habana Bar and tells him he can easily get to Cuba via Mexico City by regular flight.
- p. 222 Requests and obtains a tourist card for Mexico.
- p. 231 September 27 arrives in Mexico City and goes straight to Soviet Embassy. Sees Valeriy Kostikov of KGB and Pavel Yatskov.
- p. 234-244 Goes to Cuban Consulate to ask for visa. Meets pro-Castro employee Sylvia Duran. Visa refused by Consul but Sylvia gives him her telephone number. He calls her and she offers to arrange a meeting the following day with friends of her who may be able to help him. Meets two men--not identified other than that they had a car with DPL tags. (Implication that they encourage O. to shoot JFK).
- p. 248 Returns to Soviet Embassy and asks if they would help Marina join him in Cuba.
- p. 251 Pavel and Kostikov have rigged conversation in front of U.S. bugging device disavowing O. as a Soviet agent.
- p. 252 O. dines with the Durans. Following day sets out for U.S. by bus.
- p. 259 Back in Dallas finally lands job with the Texas School Book Depository.
- p. 262-264 CIA evaluates reports of O.'s visits to Soviet and Cuban consulates. Not taken seriously; dossier is forwarded to FBI but photo of O. leaving Cuban Consulate has been substituted for that of a fat man.
- p. 265 Hosty (FBI Dallas) told to find O. discreetly.
- p. 273 Hosty plays bridge with Robert Surrey (Gen. Walker's aide) and tells about Oswald's threat to kill JFK.
- p. 276 Hosty calls on Ruth Paine to get information about O.
- p. 278 Conversation between Hosty and Oswald. Hosty plays bridge again with Surrey and reveals Oswald's name and address.

It is now that thesis number II appears:

- p. 279-286 Meeting at Highland Park between Chief of Police of Dallas and millionaires. Communist who assassinates JFK must "sign his crime" before escaping.
- p. 289 O. is picked up by someone (unnamed) on his way home from the Depository who offers to find him a plane for his escape. O. will not commit himself.
- p. 291 Next evening same man picks him up again; they will provide a plane and O. will be met by a police car at 1:00 p.m. on the corner of Patton and 10th Streets, five blocks from his room, and drive him to airport.
- p. 293 J. D. Tippet instructed verbally to wait for O. on Nov. 22 at the corner of Patton. Told to drive him to Red Bird Airport then return to his regular

patrol work. He would be well-paid for this.

- p.295 O. is recognized while waiting in a car for well-to-do, unidentified man who tries unsuccessfully to hire a small plane from John January, manager of Red Bird Airport.
- p. 302 Chief of Police Curry stops police surveillance one block before the Book Depot. Hosty tells Sorrels of Secret Service that the FBI has no suspects.
- p. 304 Ferrie leaves for Texas. Professional gunman readies his weapon--much more powerful than O's.
- p. 309 As Kennedy arrives within O's. sights, train passes and O. fires two shots. He looks down and sees the silhouette of a man behind a fence, to his right. The man shoulders his gun and fires. O. fires a third shot which hits the sidewalk.
- p. 315 J.D. Tippet waits for O. as instructed. Hears that JFK has been assassinated over police radio. State of emergency for the police but car 78 (Tippet's) is to remain in the vicinity of Oak Cliff.
- p. 316 12:54 Tippet gives his position to the central commissariat; told to remain "at large". 1:15 p.m. O. arrives. Tippet gets out of car to go towards O. having recognized him and O. panics and fires repeatedly.

Alleged laxity during O's. interrogation, Ruby's presence during O's. transfer are reported by the authors in a way that points to the complicity of the police department. If you wish I can give these in detail but I thought it was not necessary.

Will try to get done
BF