Memorandum

: Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

DATE:

May 2 2. 1967

FROM: Fred M. Vinson, Jr.

Assistant Attorney General

Criminal Division

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SUBJECT: Assassination of President

John Fitzgerald Kennedy

Dallas, Texas, November 22, 1963

Reference is made to the Bureau memorandum of May 15, 1967 indicating the request of Patrolman Raymond Comstock, New Orleans Police Department, for the return of certain documents, has been brought to the attention of the United States Attorney, Eastern District of Louisiana. The United States Attorney has requested the assistance of the Criminal Division in resolving this matter.

In an effort to reach the appropriate decision regarding the first page of the bank book in question, the Criminal Division would appreciate being advised whether the Bureau has any information concerning the sources of the funds shown to have been deposited and the purposes for which the funds withdrawn were paid.

In addition, we would appreciate being advised whether the Bureau conducted any investigation in the matter captioned above; in the Carlos Marcello matter, or any other investigation which was based upon any of the documents (including the first page of the bank book) furnished by Patrolman Comstock.

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ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY, DALLAS, TEXAS, NOVEMBER TWENTY TWO, ONE NINE SIX THREE, MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION CONCERNING.

RE BUREAU AIRTEL MAY FIFTEEN, LAST. THE UNITED STATES ATTORNEY, MASTERN DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA HAS REQUESTED ASSISTANCE OF DEPARTMENT IN RESOLVING THIS MATTER.

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BANK OF NEW ORLEANS, DEPARTMENT HAS REQUESTED TO BE ADVISED WHETHER ANY INFORMATION IS AVAILABLE CONCERNING SOURCES OF FUNDS DÉPOSITED OR PURPOSES FOR WHICH FUNDS WERE WITHDRAWN. DEPARTMENT ALSO REQUESTED TO BE ADVISED WHETHER ANY THYESTIGATION WAS CONDUCTED IN THE ASSASSINATION INVESTIGATION, THE CARLOS MARCELLO MATTER OR ANY OTHER INVESTIGATION WHICH WAS BASED UPON MATERIAL FURNISHED BY PATROLMAN COMSTOCK INCLUDING

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RE: ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT

NOTE: Patrolman Comstock, New Orleans Police Department, assisting an investigator of District Attorney Garrison's office has asked the New Orleans Office for copies of material he previously furnished the FBI in 1964. This believed to be in connection with Garrison's investigation of the assassination. On 2/13/64, Comstock furnished the New Orleans Office obpies of material he obtained from living quarters of David W. Ferrie, an alleged associate of Lee Harvey Oswald. This consisted of four letters and the first page of Ferrie's bank book with the Whitney National Bank of New Orleans, Ferric, deceased, is a principal in Garrison's assassination investigation. This material indicated Ferrie was in Guatemala making inquiries on behalf of attorney defending Carlos Marcello, a leading New Orleans racketeer.

New Orleans was instructed to refer this request to the United States Attorney and he has now requested assistance of the Department. The Department has requested to be advised if this material was the basis for any investigation conducted by the FBI. They also desire any information concerning the funds indicated to have been deposited or withdrawn from this bank account. New Orleans is being requested to review files and advise the Bureau immediately.

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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
COMMUNICATION SECTION

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UNITED STATES GQ PRIMENT

Memorandum

TO

Mr. DeLuaci

DATE: 5/22/67

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SUBJECT: ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN FITZGERALD KENNELY

DALLAS, TEXAS

NOVEMBER 22, 1963

MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION CONCERNING

Reference is made to memorandum May 11, 1967, which described a request received by the New Orleans Office from a New Orleans police officer for copies of material; he furnished in 1964. This material concerned David W. Ferrie, deceased, an alleged associate of Lee Harvey Oswald. This material, found by the police officer in Ferrie's living quarters, indicated that Ferrie was in Guatemala in October and November of 1963, and was working for attorneys defending Carlos Viarcello, a leading New Orleans racketeer. This request was presumed to be in connection with New Orleans District Attorney Garrison's investigation of the assassination.

It was recommended and approved that New Orleans be instructed to refer this request to the United States Attorney's Office. The Attorney General was also advised.

New Orleans has informed the United States Attorney of this request. He stated he desired to review the material and consult the Department before furnishing an opinion. New Orleans is following this closely.

ACTION:

Attached for approval is a letter to the Attorney Edneral advising him of the current status of this natter.

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