

May 20, 1964

To: Mr. Lee Rankin, Counsel
From: Gerald R. Ford, Commission Member

Subject: Materials and information not yet made available
to commission members.

Dear Lee:

There are a number of areas of inquiry for which material and adequate information has not yet been made available to individual commission members.

In most cases I am satisfied that the staff has assembled the information but as yet we have not had an opportunity to evaluate it. I think it would be a mistake if any preliminary drafting of a report were to be undertaken until all members have had a chance to review the information.

Among these items are:

- 1) CIA and other detailed reports re Oswald's Mexican visit.
- 2) Any further information beyond documents previously submitted covering Oswald's Russia sojourn.
- 3) Further information that may be available re the fairplay for Cuba activities of Oswald and the possibility of any connection with Castro forces.
- 4) records of the Dallas police and state authorities covering their investigations made prior to the existence of the commission.
- 5) transcript --if it exists -- of interrogations of Oswald from the time of his apprehension until demise.
- 6) results of post mortem performed on Oswald as may relate to factors affecting his stability, sanity etc.
- 7) details run down by FBI on alleged threats by Oswald to shoot Nixon (a follow up interview with Marina regarding this was promised by FBI, not as yet received.)

8) *Handwritten note:* *Also see...*

Sincerely,

Gerald R. Ford

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