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LOREN EUGENE HALL was interviewed at his request. Also present at this interview was G. DWAINE BATT, Supervisor, breau of Narcotic Enforcement, Department of Justice, State of California.

HALL advised that in 1959 he was imprisoned in Cuba by FIDEL CASTRO for conspiring to overthrow the government. He had been in Cuba along with several other mercenaries training guerrilla troops to overthrow the government of JUAN BAUTISTA. He was released from the Cuban prison after signing a statement denouncing his American citizenship.

After his release from the prison, he returned to the United States and began a series of speaking engagements sponsored by the John Birch Society. The purpose of the speaking tour was to raise funds to finance a mercenary force of Cuban refugees to return to Cuba and assassinate CASTRO. HALL advised he was subsequently arrested for violation of the Neutrality Act and a large supply of arms, ammunition and medical supplies was seized from him on No Name Key, Florida.

HALL exhibited a copy of an interview of him by SA LEON F. BROWN, Los Angeles, regarding his involvement with individuals in Dallas, Texas, immediately prior to the assassination of President JOHN F. KENNEDY. HALL advised that the report of the interview prepared by SA BROWN was fictitious and was not an accurate statement of the remarks which he made to SA BROWN.

He advised that in addition to the falsification of the above document, someone had altered a YMCA registry in Dallas, Texas. HALL advised someone had added the name of a third associate of his to the registry. He advised that he and WILLIAM SEXMORE stayed at the YMCA, but when the document appeared before a Grand Jury in New Orleans, Louisiana, directed by JAMES GARRISON, a third name had been added to the registry.

HALL added he was making these facts known to the FBI at this time inasmuch as he feared his life was in danger. HALL advised that he is positive someone, either the FBI or the CIA, is surveilling him and has on one occasion forced him off the

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read in an attempt to murder him. HALL advised he feels this is being done because he possesses information regarding the assassination of President KENNEDY and the CIA's involvement in attempts to assassinate FIDEL CASTRO.

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HALL advised that recently a newspaper known as "The National Tattler" carried a special edition alleging that he was one of several men responsible for killing President KENNEDY. HALL furnished a copy of "The National Tattler" dated September 1975 entitled "Kennedy Murder Solved." It contains numerous references to him and his alleged involvement in a conspiracy to assassinate President KENNEDY.

HALL advised he anticipates being subpoenaed before a Congressional Committee directed by Senator FRANK CHURCH of Oregon in the very near future.

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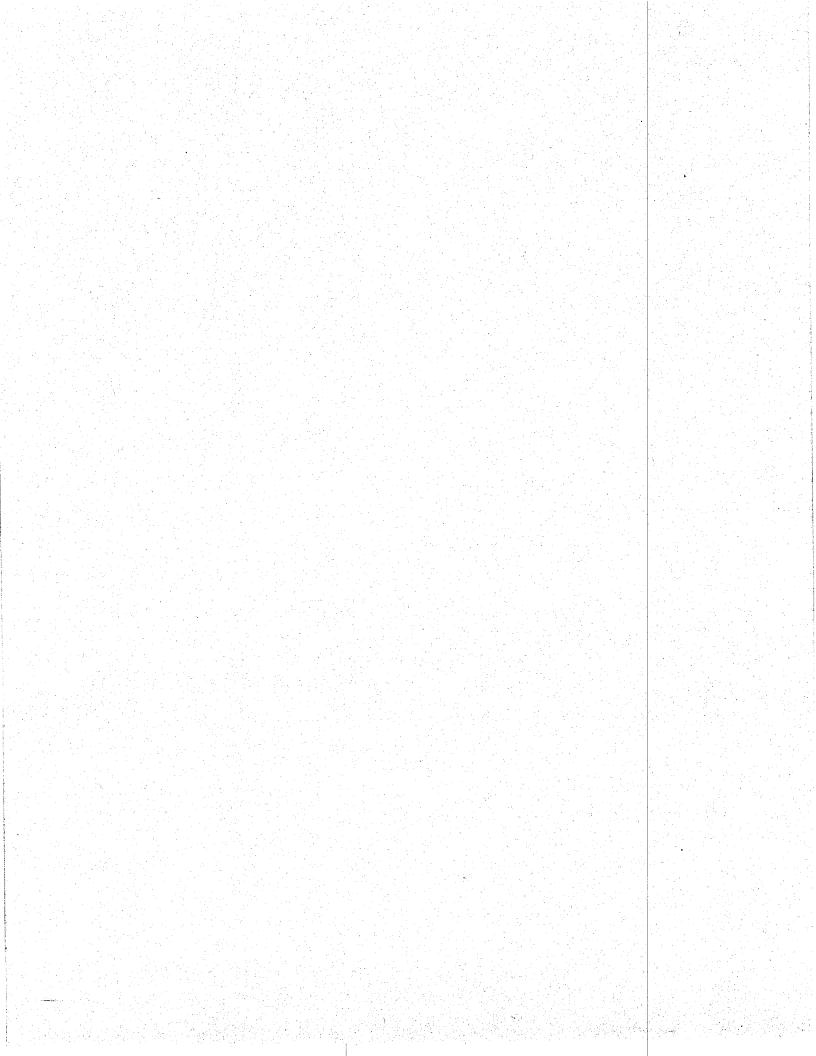
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ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY 11/22/63, DALLAS, TEXAS MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

Mrs. JEAN HILL, 9402 Bluff Creek, Dallas, Texas, telephone EV 1-2271, telephonically contacted the Dallas Office at 12:20 PM, 8/8/68. She advised an individual identifying himself as TOM BETHEL from District Attorney's "Office, New Orleans, Louisiana, telephoned her this morning requesting that he and his assistant, a man named OSTER (PH), be allowed to come to her residence on 8/8/68, at 4:00 PM to interview her concerning her knowledge of the assassination. < She said that she has talked with SAC SHANKLIN previously and he had requested her to advise this office in the event she and the second secon was contacted.]

For background info, Mrs. HILL said she was present at Dealey Plaza when President KENNEDY was assassinated and furnished information through interview indicating that she heard more than three shots fired and that she had observed a man on the "grassy knoll" above Dealey Plaza. She also said she had taken a Polaroid picture during the time of the assassination which may have been of importance to the investigation. She stated she feels certain this is what we the New Orleans District Attorney's Office wishes to talk " to her about. She does not want to testify in New Orleans and is upset over this matter.

Mrs. HILL stated it is a strange coincidence that these men contacted her today as just night before last two men attempted to break into her home, however, she saw them, they were both white males, and she called the police. She does not know if this had any connection with this matter, but she has considered the possibility.

Mrs. HILL desires to know if TOM BETHEL and his assistant are legal representatives of the District Attorney's Office in New Orleans prior to her appointment with them at 4:00 PM. She also requested certain legal advice as to her rights in this matter, primarily as to whether she would have to appear in New Orleans to testify. 89:43-3489:43-84

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ADDENDUM - ASAC MOORE - 8-9-68

Upon being advised of Mrs. HILL's call to the Dallas Office, I called the New Orleans Office and talked with Supervisor WALL, who advised that TOM BETHEL and JOE OZER are both representatives of District Attorney GARRISON at New Orleans, and from information available to him, GARRISON's investigators have been contacting a number of individuals concerning President KENNEDY's assassination.

At 3:30 p.m., this date, Mrs. HILL called and asked whether or not she had to submit to interview by BETHEL and OZER. I indicated to Mrs. HILL this was her prerogative and if she did not desire to be interviewed by them she did not have to, but this was a decision she would have to make. She stated that BETHEL on his earlier call to her had asked the question had she ever been intimidated by the FBI and her answer to him was that she had never been intimidated by the FBI.

Mrs. HILL concluded her conversation by stating that she was going to make some excuse and not be available forthe 4 o'clock appointment with these two individuals. She stated if she were contacted by them she would notify the Dallas Office as to the result of their inquiry.

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SAC J. GORDON SHANKLIN.

SUBJECT: ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY DALLAS, TEXAS 11/22/63 MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION CONCERNING

> LEE HARVEY OSWALD, aka **INTERNAL SECURITY - R**

On 12/27/67, Supv. WILLIAM BRANNIGAN called from the Bureau and referred to various articles appearing in Washington papers, New York Times, New Orleans, etc. concerning GARRISON's press release. He stated that generally the Director had asked questions regarding GARRISON saying that on 11/17/63, LEE HARVEY OSWALD had alerted the FBI that an assassination attempt would be made on President KENNEDY in 'Dallas on 11/22/63. He stated it was also indicated, particularly in the New York Times, that the FBI sent out a TWX (probably from headquarters) that on 11/22/63, an attempt would be made to assassinate President JOHN F.KENNEDY. Did Dallas send out any such teletype, or did Dallas receive any such teletype? He stated also that the Director had seen something saying that the same thing had happened on 9/17/63. I pointed out to Mr. BRANNIGAN that apparently this was a typographical error on the part of an AP release which we received here, as all the other releases were talking about Nov. 17, 1963, but he stated he wanted the same answers and same checks made as to that date.

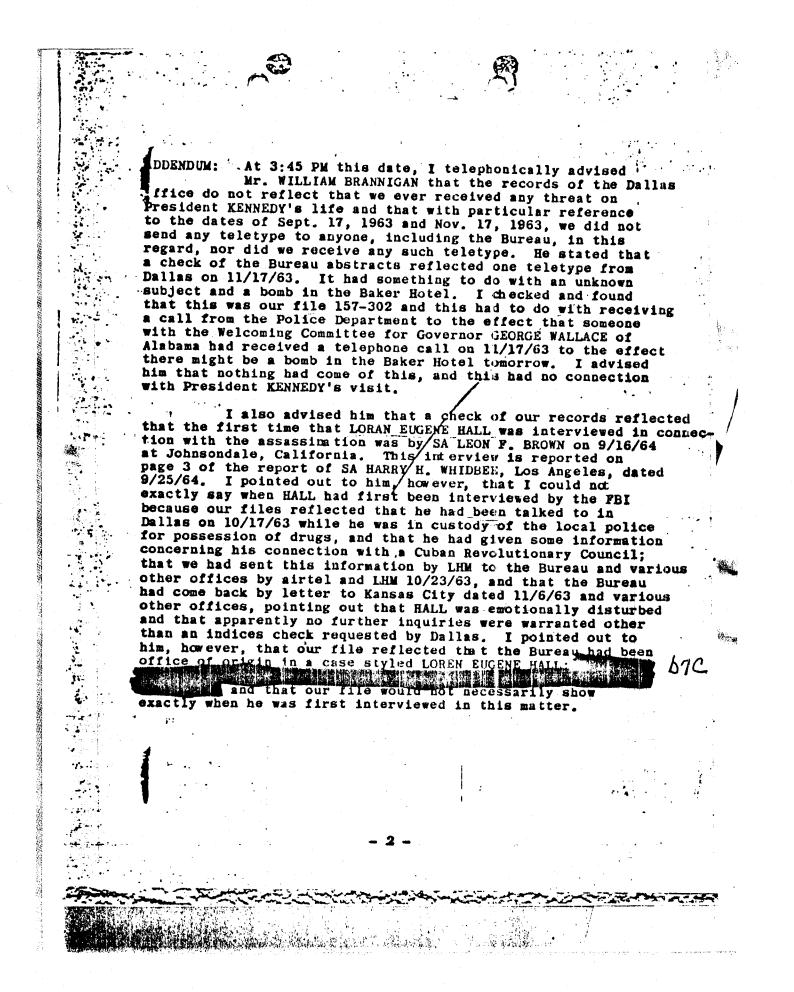
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In addition, he stated that the New York Times was carrying a story to the effect that GARRISON had stated that one LORAN/HALL of California had inside knowledge of the assassingtion plot on the day that it happened and that he had never been called before the Warren Commission. He stated, however, the New York Times also indicated that LORAN HALL was mentioned in the Warren report and that he had been interviewed by the FBI and told the FBI in September, 1963 that he was in Dallas, Texas soliciting aid for a group against CASTRO of Cuba. The Director wanted to know when did we first talk to HALL.

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ALL AGENTS SAC, DALLAS (89-43)

ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY DALLAS, TEXAS, 11/22/63 MISC. - INFO CONCERNING

Remymemo to All Employees dated 3/1/67, concerning the handling of information regarding investigation being conducted by District Attorney JAMES C. GARRISON in New Orleans.

3/8/67

The Bureau has advised that as a result of publicity concerning captioned matter, the volume of mail regarding the assassination has increased measurably. Much of the information/. received is speculative and rumor type, alleging other individuals are involved in the assassination.

The Bureau has instructed that all offices should continue to accept any information regarding the assassination; however, no investigation is to be conducted without Bureau approval irrespective of the nature of the data furnished.

Should pertinent information be received which by necessity requires immediate investigation or other action, the Bureau is to be notified either by telephone or teletype, depending upon the urgency of the situation.

Any question as to whether information received is pertinent should be resolved by contact with the SAC, ASAC or Supervisor GEMBERLING.

The Bureau has further instructed that any pertinent information relating to the assassination is to be incorporated into an LHM suitable for dissemination and furnished to the Bureau by airtel the same date it is received. Copies, of course, should be furnished to any interested offices.

All Agents are to fully comply with the instructions A second s outlined above. and the second second .

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(4) The Director specifically instructed, "Give nothing to USA LACOUN in New Orleans. Tell him that everything is being sent direct to the Attorney General's office. By way of explanation, for some unknown reason VINCENT, the head of the Criminal Division, who would have a normal interest in this matter, is making numerous requests of the Bureau. Also, BAREFOOT SANDERS, Assistant Attorney General in charge of the Civil Division, is making numerous requests; therefore, the Bureau has adopted the policy to give everything direct to the Attorney General.

(5) Give GARRISON nothing.

(6) Tell RIGHTMYER that he wants him and all personnel in New Orleans to keep their big mouths shut.

(7) New Orleans should, as best they can, be aware of what GARRISON is doing without revealing the FBI's interest.

(8) For example, New Orleans handled the autopsy report in an outstanding fashion. They were able to ascertain the date and call the Bureau without GARRISON being aware of that fact.

(9) I discussed the matter of accepting information which was volunteered to us. MALLEY said that we could accept information volunteered to us, but we must be most careful not to convey the idea that we are soliciting information from the person offering us the information.

(10) Instruct New Orleans to make a complete review of all investigation relating to OSWALD's activities in New Orleans. The Director said, "I don't want to be hit by anyone like HOSTY's. Find the loopholes so we can plug them." MALLEY mentioned that as best he could recall, the New Orleans investigation shows there were possibly two months that OSWALD was in New Orleans and that we did not ascertain what he was doing during those two months except insofar as data furnished by his wife, MARINA OSWALD.

MALLEY said he did not construe this instruction of the Director to mean that we should conduct any investigation, but merely to find and locate any loopholes so that the matters chuld be further considered.

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14UBTRE UNITED STATES GOVE ARTMED tir. Mohr emorandum Mr. Wick Mr. Com 2 7 195 June : The Director Mr. Falt τO Η٣, Federal Bureau of Investigation Gile . Rozen Mr. Bull Mr. Tave FROM : Fred M. Vinson, Jr. Mr. Troller. Assistant Attorney General Tele. Room Miss Hohaes Criminal Division Miss Gandy . • SUBJECT: Assassination of President John Fitzgerald 1.7.8 Kennedy, November 22, 1963, P. J. y 7.1 atla, la Ga Dallas, Texas Plifence. This is in reference to your memorandum of June 27, 1967 reporting the results of your interview of GenelDavis. 14. We are advised that the confidential source who advised that Davis and Bertrand were identical is Dean, Indrews. It is requested that Andrews be interviewed to determine the basis of his identification of Gene Davis as Clem or Clay Bertrand. Davis indicates that Phil Schultz, now deceased, may have used the name of either Clay or Cle Vertrand prior to his death. Please locate and interview Schultz's twin sistem, [Phyllis Nachman (phonetic) reportedly living in Monique, ജ Wisconsin concerning her brother and his identity as Clay or Clem Bertrand. MK KCline 11 wonder the 62.101060 REC 8 7-11 EX-115 18 JUN-80 1967 4'six COPY MADE FOR MR. TOLSON Section 134 . . . that is a new way in the second state of the second state of the 医子宫 医静脉的 化乙烯