- Mohr - Mr. Belmont 44-1-123 1011-14 454 664 864 460 97 1 - De Loach - Mr. Rosen UNITED STATES GC(- RNMENT - Mr. Halley 1 1 - Mr. Rogge Memorandum 1 - Mr. McGowan 1 - Mr. Hines A. H. Belmont DATE: February 26, 1964 // 1.) A. Rosen уюм THE PRESIDENT'S COLLISSION AQUACCILATION OF THE PRESIDENT . John F. SU SJECTE pSK. in While at the offices of the President's Commission on other matters, J. Lee Rankin requested Malley to stop by his office. Mr. Rankin advised that he desired to make it known that the Bureau had been of tremen-dous help to the President's Commission, that an extremely large volume of work had been produced by the Bureau and that the Bureau had been most comparison in handling all requests which had been made by the President's Comparison

Commented that recently there had been quite an increase in the He commented that recently there had been quite an increase in the Atomics of requests and there was a possibility that there would be many more collitional requests. Mr. Rankin stated this was not intended as a criticism of the Dureau's work but instead was the following through of the Commiscion's desire to complete the Commission's record and leave no unanswered in t questions.

In this regard, Mr. Rankin went on to say that the Bureau, in conducting its investigation, had an extremely difficult and enormous that to perform and that he as well as other members of the Commission staff and is annaed at the amount of detailed information which had been developed by the Lureau in its investigation. He commented that the Commission in performing its tacks was of necessity making a most minute study of the Darcau's work as well as that of other Government agencies with the idea of picking the investigation to pieces to the extreme degree so that wherever it was possible to clarify any item, this could be handled while the Commission was in existence.

Mr. Rankin advised that in collision with the letter which had just recently been transmitted to the Eureau requesting an explanation concerning information relative to Special Agent James P. Hosty's name being omitted from a report prepared in the Dallas Office (report of Special Agent Robert P. Genherling dated 12/23/63), he wanted the Bureau to know the following:

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Memorandum A. Rosen to A. H. Belmont Re: TLE PRESEDENT'S COMMISSION

The Commission had noted in reviewing the notebook in question the Agent Hosty's name appeared in the book along with the office telephon manner and a license number. It had been noted that this information did not appear in the Dallas investigative report and members of the Commission whethed why this item die not appear. Mr. Rankin stated that prior to any constion being raised concerning this item, the Bureau in one of its letter to the Commission (dated 1/27/64) set forth full information for the Commission's information explaining the appearance of Agent Hosty's name the Oswald notebook. As a result of this information being furnished by the Directu, the members of the Commission were fully aware that there had been no effort on the part of the Bureau not to make this information i childble. Mr. Rankin stated that after some discussion concerning this item, the members of the Commission directed Mr. Rankin to request the Elization for an explanation so that the record of the Commission would show the exact circumstances by which this item was omitted from the Dallas report of 12/23/63 by Special Agent Gemberling.

ACTION:

Attached is a letter to J. Lee Rankin setting forth the reasons why dent Hosty's name was omitted from the Dallas report of 12/23/63. We can unclosing for the Commission affidavits from Special Agent Robert P. Comparing and John T. Kesler wherein they set forth their explanations in handling the Hosty entry in Oswald's address book. Both affidavits are excellent and should satisfy the Commission that our handling of the Hosty entry was sound.

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