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Federal Bureau of Investigation

Washington, D.C. 20535

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Arlington, Virginia 22209

FOIPA No. 246,698

Dear Mr. Fensterwald:

This is in reference of your visit to our Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Reading Room on March 2, 1984, at which time you selected documents from J. Edgar Hoover's official and confidential file.

Please find enclosed these 17 pages of material processed pursuant to the provisions of the FOIA and an explanation of the FOIA exemptions.

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Sincerely yours,

James K. Hall, Chief
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SUBSECTIONS OF TITLE 5, UNITED STATES CODE, SECTION 552

- (b) (1) information which is currently and properly classified pursuant to Executive Order 12065 in the interest of the national defense or foreign policy, for example, information involving intelligence sources or methods
- (b) (2) materials related solely to the internal rules and practices of the FBI
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- (b) (6) materials contained in sensitive records such as personnel or medical files, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy
- (b) (7) investigatory records compiled for law enforcement purposes, the disclosure of which would: (A) interfere with law enforcement proceedings, including pending investigations; (B) deprive a person of the right to a fair trial or an impartial adjudication, or give one party of a controversy an undue advantage by exclusive access to such information; (C) constitute an unwarranted invasion of the personal privacy of another person; (D) reveal the identity of a confidential source or reveal confidential information furnished only by the confidential source; (E) disclose investigative techniques and procedures, thereby impairing their future effectiveness; and (F) endanger the life or physical safety of law enforcement personnel
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MR. DELOACH

5/23/66

J. H. Gale

cc Mr. DeLoach

Mr. Gale

Mr. Rosen

Mr. Wick

Mr. Stanley

Mr. McAndrews

FRED B. BLACK, Jr.
ANTIRACKETEERING

I contacted Senator Edward Long of Missouri, at 2:30 p.m., today, at which time I confidentially briefed him concerning the motion which the Department contemplates filing in this case regarding the fact that the FBI had microphone coverage on Black between February and April, 1963.



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The Senator was informed that after the microphone was on for a short period of time it was determined that Black was not involved in anything in which we had an interest, and the microphone was immediately taken off.

Senator Long was further informed that, contrary to the impression which the Department is trying to give in the motion concerning the microphone coverage, the Department had complete knowledge of this microphone in August, 1964, and had ample opportunity to bring this to the attention of the Court of Appeals of the Supreme Court since that time.

Senator Long advised that he felt this was a most unfortunate development in that columnists like Drew Pearson, Fred Graham of the New York Times, and Dave Kraslow of the Los Angeles Times, together with liberals on his committee, and the anti-FBI groups, would again raise a hue and cry for the Long

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Mr. DeLoach

Committee to hold hearings on the FBI.. He advised he has been able to get around this by claiming that the FBI only used these devices in organized crime and security cases. He stated he recognized this case on Black potentially involved organized crime, but it would be difficult to get this over to the public.

The Senator stated that as far as he knew this was the first time the government had admitted that the FBI had engaged in microphone surveillances. I informed the Senator that the government had previously admitted, in the [redacted] case in Kansas City, and in the [redacted] case in Denver, that we had microphone surveillances. I advised that the latter was the one which reflected coverage on the Desert Inn and triggered a demand for his committee to hold hearings in Las Vegas. I advised him that he very adroitly handled this situation and I felt there would be a possible hue and cry for several days regarding the current situation and then it would die down the same as it had before. b7c

He stated this was probably right and he again reiterated that he had no desire to hurt the FBI or hold hearings on the FBI and he would figure out something with respect to handling his critics. He stated he was very appreciative of the fact that he was briefed on this matter prior to the motion being filed because otherwise some reporters could have really caught him off guard.

ACTION:

This matter will be closely followed and you will be kept advised of pertinent developments.

MEMO: GALE TO DeLOACH
RE: FRED B. BLACK, JR.

footnote be eliminated from the new document filed with the Supreme Court. He was specifically advised of the Director's views in this regard and informed that the Bureau would very definitely make it known publicly that Former Attorney General Robert Kennedy had given general authorization for the use of microphones if this became necessary because of any public misconception caused by this footnote. Katzenbach was adamant that this footnote remain in the document and stated he would not have included it in the proposed memorandum if he had not desired it to be there. I continued to protest and he became quite irritated at that time. He stated that he was willing to change the language and suggested that instead of arguing about whether or not this footnote should be placed in the document, that we should immediately draft language which would avoid the objectionable features.

At this point I suggested to the Attorney General that he include the fact that there was general Departmental authorization for the use of these devices. This statement would indicate to anyone reading it that the Bureau was acting with Departmental authority and not acting on its own initiative with respect to these devices. The Attorney General agreed to placing this statement in the document and modified it to this extent "there was general Departmental authorization of longstanding for the use of these devices." A Thermofax copy of the proposed draft is attached indicating where the proposed change would be (page 4, footnote 4).

The Attorney General then went on to state that he felt inclusion of the footnote was necessary to forestall questions by the press or the court and he added that he knew the President would desire some such statement incorporated in this document. He did not elaborate on this point. He was advised that this undoubtedly could be handled with the press by saying the Department could not comment because the instant matter involved a pending case.

The Attorney General then agreed that the proposed memorandum could not be filed until May 24, 1966.

Pursuant to the Director's instructions, the Attorney General was advised that the Director still felt that the footnote was superfluous but that we would have to defer to the Department. I advised him that the Director hoped that this would not backfire wherein we would have to use the

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name of former Attorney General Robert Kennedy as having given authority for the use of microphones. The Attorney General indicated that Former Attorney General Kennedy stated he did not give such over-all authority but he realized that the Bureau had certain documents which would raise a question concerning this contention. I informed him that we certainly did and once again reviewed with him the document which Kennedy signed for the New York Telephone Company, authorizing microphones, together with several memoranda of former Assistant Director Courtney A. Evans, indicating that the Attorney General was completely cognizant and had authorized the use of microphones in the field of organized crime. He was again advised that Kennedy had listened to a number of tapes of microphone coverage played to him in Chicago and New York. The Attorney General made no further observations concerning this point.

The Attorney General then stated that he felt the press would definitely want to know if these practices still exist and ask questions along the lines of the information in the footnote. He was much more conciliatory than when I was in his office and stated that if the Bureau desired, he would eliminate instant footnote and have it answered by Departmental spokesmen when the press inquired. As the Director very quickly recognized, the Department would undoubtedly like to use this tactic so that Rosenthal could conveniently omit that sentence about our having general Departmental authorization for the use of these devices in answering press inquiries.

Pursuant to the Director's instructions, the Attorney General was subsequently advised that we felt the statement should stand as it is on the record rather than by making reference to it orally to the press. At this time the Attorney General made the observation, "The Solicitor General is not going to like this very well."

It appears that the Attorney General now feels that the Department has boxed itself in to some extent by agreeing to the statement that we had general Departmental authority to use these devices.

ACTION:

This matter will be closely followed and you will be advised of all pertinent developments.

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MEMO: GALE TO DeLOACH
RE: FRED B. BLACK, JR.

ADDENDUM: At 6:55 p.m. Assistant Attorney General Rogovin telephonically contacted me and advised that the Department was going to substitute the following footnote for footnote number 4 in the petition for the Supreme Court in instant case. "Present Departmental policy which has been in effect since 1965 confines the use of listening devices such as those herein involved and also the interception of wire communications to the collection of intelligence affecting the national security. It also requires in each instance a specific authorization by the Attorney General. This policy superseded the broader authorization which had been in effect for a number of years."

I immediately objected to the revised footnote and stated that it materially differed from that which the Attorney General had previously agreed to in that it did not contain the fact that the Department had generally authorized the use of microphones. Rogovin then agreed to change the last sentence in the above quoted footnote to read "This policy superseded the broader Departmental authorization which had been in effect for a number of years." It is not felt that this materially differs from the key sentence in the previous footnote which we insisted on, i. e., that there was general Departmental authorization of long standing for the use of these devices. This was an apparent attempt by the Department to throw us a real curve by attempting to slip through a revised footnote which would minimize or cause doubt as to the broad Departmental authorization of the use of electronic devices and create the impression that the Bureau was operating in this sphere without Departmental authorization. By inserting the word Departmental, it is felt that the impression that the Bureau was operating on its own initiative is not created.

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Gale has handled this masterfully.
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TO : Mr. Mohr

DATE: March 30, 1964

FROM : C. D. DeLoach

John F. Kennedy

SUBJECT: WILLIAM MANCHESTER
AUTHOR OF BOOK REGARDING
ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY

Ed Guthman called at 4:00 p. m., 3-30-64. Jackie Kennedy has invited the captioned individual, a professor at Wesleyan University, to do a book regarding the pertinent six days concerning the President's assassination. The book will start on the night of the Judicial Reception 11-20-63 at the White House and will conclude with the burial of the President. Guthman explained that Mrs. Kennedy desired Manchester to write the book because he did an excellent job in 1962 on "The Profile of President Kennedy." Guthman also explained that Mrs. Kennedy believed that so many people were coming out with books that were so inaccurate that she thought it would be a good idea for Manchester to tell her story of the assassination events. The book will reportedly be published in 1968.

Guthman stated that Manchester and Mrs. Kennedy were most anxious that the Director meet Manchester and briefly tell him of the information the Director received from Dallas concerning the fact that the President had been shot and about the Director's immediate notification of the Attorney General. The Director was, of course, the first one to call the Attorney General and tell him that his brother had been killed.

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Guthman stated that Manchester would not ask any questions concerning the FBI's investigation of the assassination inasmuch as this, of course, was a matter with the Warren Commission. He also advised that Manchester would be available at any time subject to the Director's convenience.

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CRIME RESEARCH

Called with Guthman 4/6/64

While this is somewhat of an imposition, it is suggested that the Director may desire to have me bring Manchester into his office at some convenient date in the future for a brief meeting. I will abide by the Director's instructions in this matter. In the meantime, we are preparing a summary memorandum on Manchester and will have it up no later than tomorrow, 3-31-64.

- 1 - Miss Holmes
- 1 - Mr. Jones

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I should think DeLoach could handle Manchester

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TO : Mr. Mohr

DATE: 4-24-64

FROM : C. D. DeLoach

John F. Kennedy
St. John
Rosen
DeLoach

SUBJECT: WILLIAM MANCHESTER
AUTHOR OF BOOK REGARDING
ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY

My memorandum of 3-31-64 indicated that Mrs. Jacqueline Kennedy had invited captioned individual to do a book concerning the six days surrounding the assassination of the President. This book will be published in 1968 or 1969. Referenced memorandum reported that Ed Guthman of the Department was most anxious for the Director to meet with Mr. Manchester concerning the book. Guthman promised that no questions would be asked concerning the FBI investigation of the assassination.

The Director indicated that he would not meet with Manchester in view of the false allegations mentioned by Deputy Attorney General Katzenbach to the Warren Commission indicating that information had been "leaked" by the FBI concerning our investigation of the assassination. The Director indicated that Manchester should see me.

Guthman's office called again on 4-21-64 and asked that I see Manchester at 3:30 p. m. on 4-22-64. Upon seeing Manchester, he advised me that he was primarily interested in the activities of the Director immediately following the assassination of the President. I told Manchester that the Director of course was the first one to advise the Attorney General that his brother, the President, had been shot and that the Director later advised that his brother was dead. Manchester told me that he knew this to be a fact and that he had visited the Attorney General's home and the swimming pool where the Attorney General had been standing at the time the Director had called him. He pointed out however that he desired to obtain this information from the Director rather than from an assistant.

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Manchester told me that he was having some difficulty in obtaining the information that he wanted. He mentioned that most people felt that nothing could be given to him until after the report of the Warren Commission had been issued. I told Manchester I thought that for the most part this would certainly be true for the FBI inasmuch as we were the agency appointed by the President to be chiefly responsible for the investigation of both the assassination and the murder of Oswald. Manchester told me that his question actually would not involve the FBI investigation of this case. He stated that even if this were true he still felt that answers should be given to his questions inasmuch as his book would not be published for 4 or 5 years following the issuance of the Commission report.

- 1 - Mr. Tolson
- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. Evans
- 1 - Mr. Rosen

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RE: William Manchester
Author of Book Regarding
Assassination of President Kennedy

I told Manchester that I felt certain he could understand our position in being reluctant to give him specific facts concerning our investigation, particularly inasmuch as a Departmental official had seen fit to allege to the Warren Commission that the FBI was "leaking" information. I told Manchester that this allegation had of course been false. However, the fact still remained that the FBI did not want to be placed in the position of releasing information prior to the issuance of the Commission report.

Manchester stated that although he could understand our viewpoint he would still like to talk to the Director concerning the Director's specific activities immediately following the assassination. I asked Manchester what he had in mind. He stated it would be far better if we furnish him a great deal of information and then let him later pose specific questions in order to round out the information. I told him this seemed to be the cart pulling the horse inasmuch as we would first want to know what he had in mind and before we went to a great deal of work. I told him regardless of what he desired he would still have to realize that no information concerning our investigation could be released until after the issuance of the Commission report.

Manchester asked if the allegation were true that the FBI had known that Oswald was in Dallas, Texas, and at the Texas Book Depository at the time of the assassination of the President. I answered in the affirmative, however, explained at great length the fact that Oswald was not a violent-type person and there had been no reason to notify Secret Service of his presence. I also explained to Manchester the cooperation which had existed for many years between the FBI and Secret Service and of the fact that we constantly informed Secret Service of threats made against the President.

Manchester told me that he was having considerable difficulty in getting any information from Secret Service. He stated that this organization has been criticized so severely and its personnel are so heartbroken over the tragedy that they are reluctant to talk about the assassination.

In leaving, Manchester told me that he would be in town for approximately three months living in a rented apartment. He stated that sometime during this three months he would appreciate having a visit with the Director. I told him that the Director's schedule was quite filled, however, we would be in touch with him if the Director had an opportunity to see him. I also told him that rather than wait for an appointment he might desire to write out his questions and give them to me. I reminded him, however, that it was doubtful that we could be of any assistance to him until after issuance of the Commission report.

The meeting with Manchester was on a cordial and pleasant basis however he fully understands our position. Bufiles reflect that our relations with him in the past have been most cordial. He does appear, however, to be somewhat of a dreamy non-specific type of individual.

ACTION: None at this time.

*I do not intend to give
him a copy of the report
- Dallas and [unclear] file*

THE ATTORNEY GENERAL
WASHINGTON

June 23, 1964

- Mr. Tolson ✓
- Mr. Belmont
- Mr. Mohr
- Mr. Casper
- Mr. Callahan
- Mr. Conrad
- Mr. DeLoach ✓
- Mr. Evans
- Mr. Gale
- Mr. Rosen
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- Miss Holmes
- Miss Gandy

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Jacqueline

Dear Edgar: Kennedy

I was glad to know that you were able to meet with William Manchester. As long as there will be much written about last November, it is important that there be an accurate, authoritative account, and I know that you have given Mr. Manchester valuable assistance in this endeavor.

With kind regards,

Sincerely,

Rfk
Robert F. Kennedy

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Director
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Honorable Robert F. Kennedy
The Attorney General
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Jacqueline Kennedy

Dear Bob:

With reference to your letter dated June 1, 1964, I thought you would like to know that I met with Mr. William Manchester this morning for approximately one hour and fifteen minutes. Our discussion was quite detailed in every respect. At the same time, however, it was somewhat out of view of the necessary review of the late President's death.

I found Mr. Manchester to be quite thorough; however, very pleasant and friendly.

Sincerely,

Edgar

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- 1 - Miss Gandy (sent with memo)
- 1 - Miss Holmes (sent with memo)
- 1 - Mr. Belmont (sent with memo)
- 1 - Mr. Sullivan (sent with memo)
- 1 - Mr. Jones (sent with memo)
- 1 - Mr. Morrell (sent with memo)

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NOTE: See DeLoach to Mohr memo dated 6-4-64 captioned "William Manchester, Author of Kennedy Book to be Published in 1969, Appointment with the Director, 10:10 a.m., 6-4-64," CDD:saj.

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THE ATTORNEY GENERAL
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With kind regards,

Sincerely,

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Memorandum

TO : Mr. DeLoach

DATE: 6-2-64

FROM : M. A. Jones

SUBJECT: WILLIAM MANCHESTER
AUTHOR OF BOOK REGARDING
ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY
REQUEST TO SEE DIRECTOR

Jacqueline Kennedy

This memorandum is being prepared to summarize contacts of Mr. Manchester with the Bureau in connection with a letter from Attorney General Kennedy to the Director asking Mr. Hoover to see Manchester regarding Manchester's book about the President's assassination.

On 3-30-64, Ed Guthman advised Mr. DeLoach that the President's widow had invited captioned individual to do a book regarding the President's assassination. It will be confined to a 6-day period--starting with the night of the judicial reception at the White House, 11-20-63, and will conclude with the burial of the President. Mrs. Kennedy selected Manchester to write the book because of his 1962 book, "The Profile of President Kennedy." The book is to be published in 1968.

Guthman claimed Mrs. Kennedy was anxious for the Director to meet Manchester to personally relate the information Mr. Hoover received from Dallas regarding the shooting of the President and the Director's immediate notification of the Attorney General. Guthman stated Manchester would not ask any questions about the FBI's investigation of the assassination, realizing that this was matter for the Warren Commission. The Director declined to meet Manchester pointing out that the Department, particularly Deputy Attorney General Katzenbach, had blamed the FBI for "leaks" even though we have remained meticulously silent. Mr. Tolson suggested that Mr. DeLoach handle the contact with Manchester. Mr. Guthman was advised by Mr. DeLoach of the Director's unavailability on 4-6-64.

After arrangements were made by Mr. Guthman's office, you (Mr. DeLoach) met Manchester on 4-22-64. Manchester was interested in the activities of the Director immediately following the assassination of the President. Mr. DeLoach informed Manchester accordingly; however, Manchester stated he desired to obtain this information from the Director rather than from an assistant. Manchester indicated he was having some difficulty in obtaining the information he wanted as most agencies declined to give him any data until after the report of the Warren Commission had been issued. He was informed that this would certainly be all true of the FBI. He indicated he did not seek answers to questions about the FBI investigation of the case and reiterated his stand that he would like to talk to the Director personally concerning the Director's

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RE: William Manchester

specific activities immediately following the assassination. When asked what he had in mind, he stated it would be better if we furnished him a great deal of information and then let him later ask specific questions to round out the information. Mr. DeLoach told him that we would first want to know what he had in mind before we went to a great deal of work.

Manchester asked if the allegation were true that the FBI had known that Oswald was in Dallas, Texas, and at the Texas Book Depository at the time of the assassination. He was answered in the affirmative but he was also informed of the lack of information making it necessary to inform the Secret Service of Oswald's presence. Manchester concluded this meeting on a cordial basis and again indicated his desire to visit with the Director some time in the future. In connection with the memo submitted regarding this contact with Mr. Manchester, the Director stated he did not intend to see Manchester and no cooperation was to be extended to him.

On 5-19-64 Manchester contacted the Bureau and stated that in connection with his book on the President's death, it would be necessary for him to review documents in the possession of the Warren Commission and, therefore, he would need a "clearance." He understood the FBI would "initiate his clearance." He was informed that the Bureau does not grant clearances of the nature described by him and after an explanation of the function of the Bureau in this regard he stated he apparently misunderstood the problem and would be in touch with the Warren Commission.

BIOGRAPHICAL:

Manchester was born on 4-1-22 in Attleboro, Massachusetts. He was married in 1948 and in 1962 had two children. He received an A. B. degree from the University of Massachusetts in 1946 and an A. M. degree from the University of Missouri in 1947. He served in the U. S. Marine Corps from 1942 to 1945. He was a reporter for "The Daily Oklahoman," 1945-46; "The Baltimore Sun," 1947-54; 1955--64, Managing Editor of the Wesleyan University Press. He has had several books published and has been a contributor to numerous national magazines including "Harper's," "The Reporter," "The Saturday Review," "Holiday," "The Nation," "Esquire" and "The Saturday Evening Post."

We have had considerable cordial correspondence with Manchester since 1955 at which time he was furnished an article by the Director which appeared in three of his nationally distributed high school papers.

RECOMMENDATION:

For the Director's information.

*Will see him
at 10.15 a.m.
4.11*

*Confidential
Manchester
6/2/64*

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- Mr. Tolson _____
- Mr. Belmont _____
- Mr. Mohr _____
- Mr. Casper _____
- Mr. Callahan _____
- Mr. Conrad _____
- Mr. DeLoach _____
- Mr. Evans _____
- Mr. Gale _____
- Mr. Rosen _____
- Mr. Sullivan _____
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- Mr. Trotter _____
- Tele. Room _____
- Miss Holmes _____

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Dear Edgar:

As you know, Mrs. Kennedy has asked William Manchester to write an authoritative account of the events of last November.

John F. Kennedy

All the members of our family and top officials throughout the Government are cooperating with Mr. Manchester, and I would appreciate it very much if you would see him at your earliest convenience.

With kind regards,

Sincerely,

John F. Kennedy
Robert F. Kennedy

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Honorable J. Edgar Hoover
Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

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