UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. DeLoach

FROM : A. Rosen

DATE: November 22, 1966

1 - Mr. DeLoach
1 - Mr. Rosen
1 - Mr. Malley
1 - Mr. Shroder
1 - Mr. Raupach
1 - Mr. Wick
1 - Mr. Sullivan

SUBJECT: ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY
NOVEMBER 22, 1963
DALLAS, TEXAS

Articles appearing in the "New York Post" and "Chicago Daily News," both dated 11-16-66, set forth statements of Arlen Specter, former assistant counsel on the Warren Commission. Specter, while defending the Warren Commission, stated " . . . that FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover appeared before the commission and supported its conclusions. In fact, Hoover said the commission had been so thorough that it was unreasonably thorough." A review of the Director's testimony before the Warren Commission shows no such statements were made.

The Director's testimony which appears in Volume V, "Hearings Before the President's Commission on the Assassination of President Kennedy," beginning on Page 97, reveals the Director testified before the Commission on May 14, 1964. This testimony, as well as the original transcript of the Director's testimony as received from the Commission, has been reviewed and no statements as attributed by Specter to the Director are located therein.

As noted by the Director on the "Chicago Daily News" article (attached), the Warren Commission had reached no conclusions when he appeared before the Commission and testified.

ACTION:

This is submitted for information.

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