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TO DIRECTOR (92-8168)

FROM MINNEAPOLIS (92-399) 3P

PHILLIP KITZER, SR.; DAVID RICHARD KROMAN; ET AL; ITSP;

AG; MAIL FRAUD - CONSPIRACY.

AT FOUR ZERO FIVE A.M. THIS DATE, HIGHWAY PATROL, NORTH DAKOTA, RECEIVED REPORT OF AN ACCIDENT AND INJURY NEAR STERLING, NORTH DAKOTA.

INVESTIGATION DISCLOSED THAT LONE OCCUPANT OF CAR WAS DAVID RICHARD KROMAN, DEFENDANT IN CASE ON TRIAL, WHO HAD APPARENTLY JAMMED HIS BRAKES ON HIGHWAY TEN WHILE DRIVING TOWARD BISMARCK, NORTH DAKOTA. KROMAN DITCHED HIS CAR, WHICH WAS NEW NINETEEN SIXTYSEVEN DODGE MONACO THAT HE HAD RENTED FROM AVIS RENT-A-CAR.

AMBULANCE DRIVERS WHO RESPONDED TO CAR NOTED KROMAN HAD A SHOTGUN IN FRONT SEAT OF CAR WITH HIM. HE REFUSED TO UNLOCK CAR DOORS BUT MADE STATEMENTS TO AMBULANCE DRIVERS "ARE YOU GOING TO KILL ME?" STATE HIGHWAY PATROL OFFICER H. ELTER, WHO

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THEN APPEARED, OPENED CAR DOOR AND REMOVED SHOTGUN WHICH HAD TWO SHELLS IN MAGAZINE. KROMAN REFUSED TO MAKE ANY STATEMENTS RE ACCIDENT TO OFFICER.

KROMAN WAS TAKEN TO BISMARCK HOSPITAL WHERE HE REFUSED TO COOPERATE WITH ATTENDING PHYSICIANS BUT KEPT STATING HE HAD NO STATEMENTS TO MAKE. KROMAN HAD SLIGHT BUMP ON HIS HEAD AS RESULT OF ACCIDENT ACCORDING TO ONE OF DOCTORS ATTENDING HIM.

KROMAN APPEARED TO PERK UP AND RESPOND^D TO QUESTIONING WHEN RICHARD OLSON, HIS FORMER ATTORNEY, ARRIVED^V AT HOSPITAL, BUT KEPT STATING HE HAD NOTHING TO SAY AND WANTED TO BE DISCHARGED FROM HOSPITAL.

PAUL PRESBREY, MINNEAPOLIS STAR AND TRIBUNE NEWSPAPER REPORTER WHO ACCOMPANIED RICHARD OLSON TO THE HOSPITAL, MADE A STATEMENT AT THE HOSPITAL THAT "KROMAN WAS THE GUY WHO KILLED THE GUY WHO KILLED KENNEDY." LOCAL TV STATIONS IN MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA CARRY STORY THAT KROMAN AND OLSON ARE GOING TO HAVE PRESS CONFERENCE LATER AND MAKE A RELEASE ABOUT THE KENNEDY ASSASSINATION.

FINLAY LEWIS, NEWS REPORTER, "MINNEAPOLIS STAR AND TRIBUNE NEWSPAPER," ADVISED THAT KROMAN HAD ANNOUNCED FRIDAY, MARCH

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TWENTYFOUR LAST, HE WAS GOING TO HOLD A CONFERENCE THAT NIGHT ON HIS, KROMAN'S INVESTIGATION OF THE KENNEDY ASSASSINATION.

MINNEAPOLIS HAS NO VERIFICATION OF ANY CONNECTION BETWEEN KROMAN AND KENNEDY ASSASSINATION.

United States Attorney
USA PATRICK J. FOLEY, MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA, IS
U. S. District Court
PETITIONING USDC, BISMARCK, NORTH DAKOTA, THIS MORNING IN EFFORT TO REVOKE KROMAN'S BOND AND HAVE HIM CONFINED DURING TRIAL BECAUSE OF HIS NUMEROUS ANTICS.

MINNEAPOLIS WILL FOLLOW THIS MATTER AND REPORT ANYTHING THAT DEVELOPS.

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6:22 PM URGENT 3-27-67 JW

TO DIRECTOR (92-8168)
FROM MINNEAPOLIS (92-399) 5P

PHILLIP KITZER, SR.; DAVID RICHARD KROMAN; ET AL; ITSP;
(FAG; MAIL FRAUD - CONSPIRACY)
RE MINNEAPOLIS TELETYPES TO BUREAU THIS DATE.

AT TWO P.M. TODAY IN USDC BEFORE USDC JUDGE EDWARD J. DEVITT, KROMAN REPEATED INFORMATION SUBSTANTIALLY COVERED IN PREVIOUS TELETYPES ABOUT HIS TRIP FROM MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA, TO BISMARCK, NORTH DAKOTA, WHEN HE DITCHED THE CAR TWENTY MILES EAST OF BISMARCK. KROMAN CLAIMS HE WAS FOLLOWED BY TWO CARS AND THAT AT THE POINT OF THE ACCIDENT, A GUN WAS POINTED OUT THE CAR AT HIM AND WHEN HE PULLED UP ABRUPTLY, HE DITCHED THE CAR BUT WAS NOT INJURED SERIOUSLY. KROMAN ADMITS HE WAS DISCHARGED FROM THE HOSPITAL CONTRARY TO THE DOCTOR'S RECOMMENDATION.

KROMAN STATED HE HAS BEEN INVESTIGATING THE KENNEDY ASSASSINATION SINCE DECEMBER, NINETEEN SIXTYTHREE, AND THAT HIS

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INQUIRY HAS LED HIM TO DALLAS, MIAMI, KEY WEST, LAS VEGAS, NEW ORLEANS AND KANSAS CITY. KROMAN STATES THE ASSASSINATION IS SOLVED BUT HE WILL NOT RELEASE ANY INFORMATION CONCERNING THE SOLUTION. HE STATES HE HAS BEEN ACTIVELY (FULL TIME) INVESTIGATING THE ASSASSINATION AFTER HE LOST HIS JOB WHEN THE AMERICAN ALLIED INSURANCE COMPANY COLLAPSED.

KROMAN AALSO ADMITS HE WAS INVOLVED IN A NUMBER OF OTHER INCIDENTS. HE WAS LOST AT SEA ON NOVEMBER SIXTEEN LAST NEAR MIAMI WHEN HIS BOAT RAN OUT OF GAS AND HE HAD A TERRIBLE TIME GETTING BACK TO SHORE.

ALSO IN NINETEEN SIXTYSIX, IN A MOTEL IN TENNESSEE, HE CLAIMS HE WAS ASSAULTED AND PAPERS WERE STOLEN FROM HIM. THIS ASSAULT TOOK PLACE THE DAY AFTER HE HAD INTERVIEWED A DALLAS, TEXAS, CAB DRIVER WHO ^ODRIVE OSWALD IN HIS ESCAPE. THE CAB DRIVER REPORTEDLY WAS KILLED IN DALLAS THE NEXT DAY AFTER KROMAN'S ASSAULT IN TENNESSEE. KROMAN WAS ^OREPORTEDLY TAKING HIS STATEMENT TO WASHINGTON AND THE STATEMENT WAS APPARENTLY TAKEN BY THE UNKNOWN PARTIES WHO ASSAULTED HIM.

FOR INFO OF BUREAU, MINNEAPOLIS REPORT DATED MARCH TWENTYONE, NINETEEN SIXTYSIX, AND CAPTIONED AS ABOVE, SETS
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FORTH A NEWSPAPER ACCOUNT IN THE "MINNEAPOLIS MORNING TRIBUNE", OF JANUARY FOURTEEN, NINETEEN SIXTYSIX, DATED AT LEBANON, TENNESSEE, STATING THAT DAVID R. KROMAN, EDINA LAWYER UNDER FEDERAL INDICTMENT IN AMERICAN ALLIED INSURANCE CASE, ALLEGED BEING ATTACKED IN HIS LEBANON MOTEL ROOM AND ROBBED OF IMPORTANT PAPERS. THIS ARTICLE FURTHER DISCLOSES THAT THE TENNESSEE STATE BUREAU OF CRIMINAL IDENTIFICATION WAS UNABLE TO SUBSTANTIATE KROMAN'S STORY.

THIS REPORT ALSO DISCLOSES ON JANUARY SEVENTEEN, NINETEEN SIXTYSIX, HENRY WROBLESKI (NA), CAPTAIN OF DETECTIVES, EDINA, MINNESOTA POLICE DEPARTMENT, ADVISED THAT RICHARD OLSON, A FRIEND OF HIS AND ATTORNEY FOR DAVID KROMAN, TOLD HIM, WROBLESKI, OF KROMAN'S EXPERIENCE IN LEBANON, TENNESSEE, AND INCIDENTS PRIOR TO AND SUBSEQUENT TO THE ASSAULT AND ROBBERY.

OLSON ADVISED WROBLESKI THAT KROMAN LEFT ON THIS TRIP IN THE MIDDLE OF JANUARY, NINETEEN SIXTYSIX IN HIS PERSONALLY OWNED AUTOMOBILE, LEAVING MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA, DURING THE WEEK OF JANUARY TEN, NINETEEN SIXTYSIX. FROM MINNEAPOLIS KROMAN WENT STRAIGHT TO DALLAS, TEXAS. TRIP SUPPOSEDLY TOOK KROMAN SIXTEEN HOURS AND ONLY OLSON AND MRS. KROMAN KNEW OF HIS PLANS

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TO GO TO DALLAS. AT DALLAS, KROMAN WAS TO CONFER WITH OIL
MILLIONAIRE ~~LAMOR~~ HUNT. WROBLESKI IS NOT CERTAIN OF THE
PURPOSE OF KROMAN'S CONTACT WITH HUNT BUT PRESUMABLY IT HAD TO
DO WITH AMERICAN ALLIED INSURANCE COMPANY CASE.

KROMAN WAS DRIVING FROM DALLAS TO WASHINGTON AT THE TIME
OF THE ALLEGED ATTACK IN LEBANON, TENNESSEE. KROMAN APPARENTLY
STOPPED OVERNIGHT AT LEBANON, TENNESSEE, A SUBURB OF MEMPHIS,
TENNESSEE, AND REPORTED TO THE POLICE THERE THAT HIS MOTEL ROOM
HAD BEEN BROKEN INTO AND IMPORTANT PAPERS TAKEN.

ACCORDING TO WROBLESKI, OLSON WOULD NOT DIVULGE NATURE
OF PAPERS BUT INDICATED THAT THEY WERE NOT ORIGINAL PAPERS
AND THAT THERE ARE ANY NUMBER OF COPIES OF THEM AVAILABLE IN
THE ALLIED CASE TO OLSON AND THE^T DEFENDANTS.

OLSON WENT TO LEBANON, TENNESSEE, AND BROUGHT KROMAN BACK
TO MINNEAPOLIS AND HAD HIM COMMITTED TO A HOSPITAL AND PLACED
UNDER DOCTOR'S CARE. THERE WAS NO REFERENCE IN THIS
CONVERSATION TO THE ASSASSINATION OF THE LATE PRESIDENT
KENNEDY.

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KROMAN REFUSES TO NAME NAMES OR DISCUSS HIS INVOLVEMENT WITH THE KENNEDY INVESTIGATION. HOWEVER, HE STATES THAT THE WARREN COMMISSION ARRIVED AT FACT BEFORE THEY HAD EXAMINED ISSUE AND THAT WHEN THE TRUTH IS OUT, IT IS GOING TO HURT SOME BIG NAME PEOPLE IN THE UNITED STATES.

AT FOUR FORTYFIVE P.M., THIS DATED, USDC JUDGE EDWARD J. DEVITT ORDERED DAVID R. KROMAN'S BOND REVOKED AND KROMAN WAS PLACED IN THE CUSTODY OF THE U.S. MARSHAL, TO BE TAKEN TO THE FEDERAL PENITENTIARY AT SPRINGFIELD, MISSOURI, FOR A PERIOD OF FORTYFIVE TO SIXTY DAYS FOR OBSERVATION AND PSYCHIATRIC EXAMINATION.

A MISTRIAL WAS DECLARED AS TO KROMAN IN VIEW OF HIS PRESS RELEASE TODAY ON THE KENNEDY ASSASSINATION. JUDGE STATED ^{HE} ~~HE~~ WOULD RULE ON WHETHER THE TRIAL COULD CONTINUE AS TO THE OTHER FOUR DEFENDANTS TOMORROW. MOTIONS OF DEFENSE ATTORNEYS FOR MISTRIAL IN VIEW OF KORMAN'S SERVERANCE WILL BE HELD TOMORROW.

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