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JFK Film Authors Accuse Producer

Mark Lane and Donald Freed, authors of the non-fiction novel EXECUTIVE ACTION and the film of the same name based on their decade of research, said today that the film's Producer and Distributors were not speaking for them when they stated the film is "nothing more than entertainment" and "no re-opening of the investigation is being sought."

Lane and Freed stated, "We wrote this novel and screenplay in order to give a message of hope to the American public that the decade of lies and conspiracy is coming to an end. We are seeking the opening of an independent investigation into the assassination of President Kennedy. Our strategy includes publicity, teach-ins, and the establishment of continuing investigation committees on campuses nationwide."

Petitions will also be circulated and sent to all members of Congress to provoke official response. In addition, a fact sheet repudiating the Warren Commission's findings will be sent to Washington legislators. Freed announced that the first step in the national campaign will be the signing of a contract with the Los Angeles public relations firm, Hines-Olson and Associates.

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The authors revealed that new evidence has been discovered which would warrant re-opening of the investigation and all the data will be revealed early in 1974.

The plan to demand an independent inquiry will first be exposed to public attention at a convention to be held at Georgetown University, Washington, D.C. on November 23 and 24. The chief organizers of the conference are author Norman Mailer and prominent, controversial Washington attorney, Bernard Fensterwald, Jr., counsel to Watergate burglar James W. McCord and director of the Committee to Investigate Assassinations. The convention marks the tenth anniversary of JFK's death in Dallas.

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