

April 16, 1964

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

This letter is being sent to you, at my insistence, through the facilities of my counsel, Mr. Gus Rallis, in order to insure that it is brought to your personal attention.

I wish it to be understood that Mr. Rallis was appointed by the U. S. District Court, El Paso, Texas, to represent me at my forthcoming trial on a charge of violating Section 2113 (a), Title 18, U.S.C., and is not cognizant of any details pertaining to the matter discussed herein, although such matter is most relevant to my defense against the aforesaid charge.

My purpose in writing this letter is to advise you that since it is apparent the Federal Bureau of Investigation is determined to have me convicted of this deceptive charge by withholding pertinent information from the U. S. Attorney, you, as director of the F.B.I., will not be able to relinquish at least partial responsibility for the death of President Kennedy.

My responsibility concerning the then prospective action of Lee H. Oswald (Albert Hidel) terminated with the dispatch of the registered letter from Joseph Kramer to the F.B.I. in September 1963.

Since the information disclosed in that letter was judged to be mendacious by the F.B.I., as is quite evident, then with whom the responsibility lies for what subsequently happened in Dallas is rather obvious.

Certainly, F.B.I. files in Washington, D.C. (or Miami, Florida, Mexico City, etc.) reflect who "Joseph Kramer" is. And, such information received from a known Communist who allegedly had been effective enough to penetrate several U.S. military intelligence

agencies, should not have been ignored. In this respect, the efficacy of the F.B.I. is the responsibility of its director, regardless of the actions or judgement of his subordinates.

In any event, I shall not acquiesce to sit idle and maintain silence while the F.B.I. railroads me into prison on a phony charge, simply because it cannot have me convicted of other matters.

Very truly,

Richard C. Nagell
El Paso County Jail
El Paso, Texas