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IN REPLY REFER TO:

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Mr. Harold Weisberg Route 7 Frederick, Maryland 21701

Dear Mr. Weisberg:

This is in reply to your letters of October 26 and 27, 1967, concerning records of the Warren Commission.

The three memoranda to which you refer are consistent with the conclusions of the Commission and are properly withheld from research.

The only communication dated July 22, 1964, from Norman Redlich to Wesley J. Liebeler in the records of the Commission is the letter of that date to Mr. Liebeler in Dallas, a copy of which has been supplied to you. There are no memoranda from Mr. Redlich to Mr. Liebeler with that date. The letter of that date makes suggestions for the questioning of Deputy Sheriff Walthers and Buell Wesley Frazier in Dallas. As you will note, there is a reference to Walthers and Cuban sympathizers in the letter, but none to General Walker and Cubans.

A travel voucher in the records of the Commission indicates that Mr. Liebeler left Washington on July 20, 1964; that he was in Dallas from July 21 to July 24; and that he returned to Washington on July 28, 1964, after further travel. If Mr. Redlich had any information to convey to Mr. Liebeler on July 22, 1964, concerning "General Walker and Cubans" or other subjects, it seems logical that he would have included it in his letter of that date to Mr. Liebeler. Any information concerning "General Walker and Cubans" would presumably have had a connection with Mr. Liebeler's work for the Commission in Dallas, including the questioning of General Walker. If Mr. Redlich had prepared separate memoranda, the natural procedure would have been to enclose copies of them with his letter to Mr. Liebeler, in order to transmit the information to him as soon as possible. As you will note, there is no mention of enclosures in the letter.

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It appears that your notes concerning this matter are in error, as they apparently were on a previous occasion. In your letter of August 29 you requested a copy of a page in Commission Document 87 (Control No. 146), stating that this page or the next few pages, included "a statement by J. Lee Rankin saying there were two 38's in Tippit." The note on that page instead was apparently written by James J. Rowley and concerns the two 38 caliber shells found in Lee Harvey Oswald's pistol.

In order to avoid any question about the copies of documents you request and receive in the future, you are requested to use the following procedure:

- Make a carbon copy of the list of documents of which you are requesting copies, showing the type of document, the date, author, addressee (if any), and main subject of the document. Materials will be supplied to you for this purpose.
- 2. Call the staff member with whom you deal when you have finished your examination of the files. He will check the documents you have selected for copying against your list, retain the carbon copy of your list, and have copies of all the documents you have selected prepared for you.

If you will let us know the date of the letter or memorandum by Wesley J. Liebeler and Burt Griffin of which you request a copy in your letter of October 27, we will make a search for it. Enclosed is a copy of page 23 of Commission Document 126.

Sincerely yours,

Robert H. Bahmer Archivist of the United States

Enclosure