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FROM SAC, NEW YORK /89-75/

SUBJECT UNSUBS., ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY AFO

INFORMATION RECEIVED FROM FOLSOM, OPERATOR OF FOLSOM FIREARMS AND CRESCENT FIREARMS, CONCERNING BULLETS WHICH MAY BE FIRED FROM SUBJECT MATTER RIFLE FURNISHED FOR INFORMATION OF LAB IN CONNECTION WITH POSSIBLE PARAFIN TESTS ON PERSON OF OSWALD.

FOLSOM RELATES TWO DISTINCT BULLETS CAN BE FIRED FROM SUBJECT MATTER RIFLE. HE ADVISED BOTH ARE MANUFACTURED IN PART OR ENTIRELY IN EUROPE HE ADVISED ONE IS MANUFACTURED IN ITALY, AND THE OTHER MANUFACTURED IN FINLAND. HE ADVISED ONE OF THESE BULLETS HAS A STEEL GREEN CASING AND THE OTHER HAS A BRASS CASING, BUT CANNOT DECLARE WHICH CASING ORIGINATES IN WHICH COUNTRY. THEY ADVISED THESE TWO BULLETS ARE ALSO DISTINCTLY UNALIKE IN THAT ONE HAS A QUOTE HUNTERS UNQUOTE OR QUOTE SOFT UNQUOTE POINT. THIS BULLET HAS A LEAD TIP WHICH SPREADS UPON STRIKING OBJECT.

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ACCORDING TO FOLSOM THE OTHER BULLET IS A COMPLETELY BRASS BULLET WHICH GENERALLY MAKES CLEAR ENTRY AND EXIT HOLES. FOLSOM ADVISED ONE OF THESE TWO BULLETS THAT CAN BE FIRED FROM SUBJECT MATTER RIFLE ARRIVE IN THE UNITED STATES AS AN EMPTY CASING AND IS PACKED WITH FIRING LOAD BY NUMEROUS SMALL FIREARMS HANDLERS AND ALSO THIS CASING IS PACKED BY TWO LARGE CONCERNS WHICH ARE INTERARMCO OF ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA AND PREMIER FIREARMS COMPANY, OF TWO TWO FIVE WEST ELEVENTH, LOS ANGELES, CALIF. ACCORDING TO FOLSOM THE BRASS HEADED BULLET IS KNOWN AS A MILITARY BULLET AND ARRIVES IN THE UNITED STATES AS A FULLY LOADED, READY TO FIRE CASING. HE STATED THAT THIS MILITARY BULLET IS MANUFACTURED IN ITALY.

IT IS REITERATED THAT FOLSOM CANNOT MAKE POSITIVE STATEMENT AS TO WHETHER THE BRASS CASING OR THE STEEL CASING CONTAINS EITHER THE SOFT HUNTERS BULLET OR THE HARD BRASS BULLET, AND SLASH OR WHICH OF THESE IS THE PRELOADED CASING OR THE SUBSEQUENTLY LOADED IN THE US. HE ADVISED FURTHER THAT THE BRASS BULLET KNOWN AS THE MILITARY BULLET IS LOADED WITH AN EXTREMELY UNUSUAL LOAD, THE CHEMICAL CONTENTS OF WHICH WOULD RESULT IN A MOST UNUSUAL POWDER BURN SITUATION.

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HE POINTED OUT THIS IS A FAST ACTING POWDER, THE POWDER BURNS OF WHICH  
MAY BE DISSIMILAR TO <sup>W</sup>UNITED STATES LOADED CASINGS.

IT IS ANTICIPATED THAT IF THE BUREAU LABORATORY DESIRES SPECIFIC  
CONTACTS AT INTERARMCO AND PREMIER FIREARMS CONCERNING LOADING OF IM-  
PORTED EMPTY CASINGS, THAT BUREAU LABORATORY WILL DIRECT SUCH LEADS.

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PAGE TWO LINE EIGHT LAST WORD SHOULD BE MILITARY.

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