

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

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TO : Chief
ATTN: Inspector Kelley

FROM : SAIC Sorrels - Dallas

SUBJECT: Video Tape

DATE: May 18, 1964

Commission No. 962

Inquiry was made of WFAA-TV, Dallas, for the price of duplicating video tape. They advised the cost to be \$250 an hour for the tape and \$100 an hour for the machine and operator. The total cost for duplicating video tape would be \$350 an hour.

As instructed by Mr. Stearn of the President's Commission, I obtained an inventory from WFAA-TV of the contents of their video tape and a copy is included with this memorandum. WFAA made a charge of \$15 for duplicating this report. They will bill the President's Commission direct for the cost.

KRLD-TV was contacted about the price of reproducing their video tape. They advised that it would be approximately \$315 an hour for the tape. They said they normally charge \$160 an hour for duplicating the tape, but would not charge the President's Commission any duplicating charges, only the price of the tape.

KRLD-TV does not have a complete inventory of the contents of their video tape, however, they are in the process of making one and it will be completed and forwarded within a few days.

KRLD-TV stated that they have approximately 27 hours of video tape on hand and indicated that a good deal of it was of the activity in the hall at the Dallas Police Department.

WBAP-TV advised that they have video tape containing the following:

Oswald shooting; NBC News reenactment of Oswald's shooting; Doctors talking about Oswald at Parkland; Interview with Chief Stevenson and Chief Curry reference charges; etc. on Oswald; Tippitt funeral.

WBAP-TV advised that they will hold this tape for us until the President's Commission makes a determination if they want a copy of it. If the Commission does not want a copy of it, they plan to erase it and use it over again.

KTVT-TV advises that they do not have any video tape.

Attachment: WFAA-TV Inventory
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