

NY TIMES JUNE 27, 76  
**C.I.A. and F.B.I.  
Accused in the  
J.F.K. Inquiries**

The Senate Select Committee on Intelligence Activities has accused both the Central Intelligence Agency and the Federal Bureau of Investigation of failing to fulfill their obligations in its investigation of the assassination of President John F. Kennedy in 1963. In non-legal terms, the agencies were faulted for having held back pertinent information, either to protect their sources or for reasons unknown.

The committee accused the C.I.A. leadership of "mismanagement" in the "serious" "omissions" between the "Demi Moore" report and Cuban Prime Minister Fidel Castro and the murder of President John F. Kennedy. Also, the committee accused the C.I.A. intelligence staff in 1963 and a director of the Warren Commission of "not" the committee about the plot against Dr. Castro. Other C.I.A. officials failed to disclose the agency's sponsorship of Cuban agents, such as Dr. Castro, in 1965, or to question the same about the Kennedy assassination.

The committee accused the F.B.I. of failure to follow leads on the possible involvement in the assassination of persons other than Lee Harvey Oswald, apparently out of obvious "official" fear of injuring the Bureau's image of efficiency. Neither the C.I.A. nor the F.B.I. investigated a Cuban-American who left Texas for Cuba via Mexico the day after the murder and was described by an informant as "involved in the assassination."

Nor, the committee report, did the C.I.A. follow up a lead concerning

an unidentified passenger who flew to Cuba from Mexico City on a Cuban airliner nine days after the assassination. The C.I.A. had information at the time that the flight was delayed to wait for the passenger, who did not pass through Mexican customs. The passenger rode in the plane's cockpit.

The Senate report says the committee has raised the issue of CIA concealment of this information from Commission. Richard Helms, then deputy director, told the committee last year that he did not mention the plot because the "precise question" was not asked.

The agency's chiefs apparently did tell someone. Howard K. Smith, an ABC news commentator reported last week that President Lyndon B. Johnson, during his term in office, had told him that "there was a flying saucer" Castro had shot down in Cuba. The White House said the report was "untrue" and "misleading."

The committee report also called for a "thorough" investigation of the Kennedy assassination. It said the "present" "government" investigation "has" "not" "been" "thorough" "enough" "to" "bring" "any" "of" "the" "many" "new" "leads" "to" "light" "and" "has" "not" "been" "confronted" "with" "the" "fact" "that" "many" "of" "the" "possible" "suspects" "in" "the" "assassination" "have" "been" "killed" "or" "are" "now" "in" "prison."