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By Courier Service

Honorable J. Lee Rankin
 General Counsel
 The President's Commission
 200 Maryland Avenue, Northeast
 Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Rankin:

At the request of representatives of the Commission, the Laboratory has reviewed the cameras recovered that are reported to be Lee Harvey Oswald's, as well as an Ansco flash attachment and an empty leather case. Representatives of the Commission asked whether or not the empty leather case could be used on either of the cameras and whether or not the Ansco flash attachment could fit either camera.

These items were reviewed and the empty leather case was found to be a case for a small pair of binoculars and could not have been used for either of Oswald's cameras. It is noted that both of the cameras are presently in cases. The flash attachment was found to contain a camera connection that is different from that used on Oswald's cameras and, therefore, it could not be used without some intermediate adapter. A Linnox camera, which has just been received from Dallas and is reported to be the property of Mrs. Ruth Paine's husband, was also checked and found to have no flash connector for use with a flash adapter.

The above information was telephonically conveyed to Mr. Howard P. Willens.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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