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(ZNS) THE F.B.I. IS REPORTEDLY LOOKING INTO THE AUTHENTICITY OF A LETTER

POSSIBLY WRITTEN BY LEE HARVEY OSWALD TO TEXAS BILLIONAIRE H.L. HUNT JUST TWO
WEEKS BEFORE PRESIDENT KENNEDY'S ASSASSINATION IN DALLAS.

A PHOTO-COPY OF THE HANDWRITTEN LETTER SURFACED IN TEXAS RECENTLY WHEN IT WAS OBTAINED BY LONG-TIME WARREN COMMISSION CRITIC PENN JONES FROM AN UNIDENTIFIED SOURCE IN MEXICO CITY.

THE DALLAS MORNING NEWS REPORTS THAT F.B.I. AGENTS -- APPARENTLY STRUCK BY THE SIMILARITY OF THE HANDWRITING IN THE LETTER TO THAT OF OSWALD'S -- HAVE BEEN INTERVIEWING PERSONS WHO WERE CLOSE TO H.L. HUNT. THE BILLIONAIRE DIED TWO YEARS AGO.

THE BRIEF LETTER IS DATED NOVEMBER 8TH, 1963 -- EXACTLY TWO WEEKS BEFORE THE ASSASSINATION -- AND IS ADDRESSED TO A "MR. HUNT."

IT READS IN ITS ENTIRETY: (QUOTE) "DEAR MR. HUNT: I WOULD LIKE INFORMATION
CONCERNING MY POSITION. I AM ASKING ONLY FOR INFORMATION. I AM SUGGESTING THAT WE
DISCUSS THE MATTER FULLY, BEFORE ANY STEPS ARE TAKEN BY ME OR ANYONE ELSE. THANK
YOU, LEE HARVEY OSWALD."

REPORTER EARL GOLZ OF THE MORNING NEWS SAYS THAT THE F.B.I. OFFICE IN DALLAS BELIEVES THE LETTER, BECAUSE OF THE SIMILARITY TO OSWALD'S HANDWRITING, WARRANTS SERIOUS ATTENTION. AS A RESULT, THE BUREAU HAS BEEN INTERVIEWING FORMER H.L. HUNT AIDES AND OTHERS IN ATTEMPTS TO SEE IF ANYONE CAN RECALL IF HUNT OR ONE OF HIS SONS MAY HAVE RECEIVED THE ORIGINAL. H.L. HUNT WAS AN ARCH-CONSERVATIVE OIL BILLIONAIRE WHO HAD BEEN A BITTER AND OUTSPOKEN CRITIC OF J.F.K.'S POLICIES.

GOLZ ADDS THAT ANOTHER "HUNT" LEAD THAT IS BEING LOOKED INTO IS THE POSSIBILITY

THAT THE LETTER WAS ADDRESSED TO E.HOWARD HUNT, THE WATERGATE BURGLAR WHO WAS WORKING

FOR THE C.I.A. IN THE DIRTY TRICKS DIVISION AT THE TIME OF THE KENNEDY ASSASSINATION.

GOLZ, A LONG-TIME INVESTIGATOR INTO THE KENNEDY MURDER, SAYS HE BELIEVES THERE IS

A GOOD POSSIBILITY THAT THE LETTER WAS, IN FACT, WRITTEN BY OSWALD --ZODIAC (FEB/8/77)