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ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT
JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY;
NOVEMBER 22, 1963;
DALLAS, TEXAS

On August 24, 1978, a letter was received at the Hartford, Connecticut FBI Resident Agency from one [REDACTED] an inmate at the Connecticut State Correctional Institution. In his letter, dated August 21, 1978, [REDACTED] claimed to have knowledge through a friend, who in turn, knew another individual, who was one of the few surviving conspirators. [REDACTED] also added a postscript to the letter requesting no publicity be given the letter.

On August 24, 1978, [REDACTED] was interviewed at Somers Prison and a signed statement was taken which appears in FD 302 form as an attachment to this letter. [REDACTED] could provide no additional details other than those provided in his statement.

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[REDACTED] was contacted at the Connecticut State Correctional Institution and told that the agents intended to interview him concerning a letter he sent to the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Hartford, Connecticut; a letter in which he stated he had some information concerning the JOHN F. KENNEDY assassination.

[REDACTED] furnished the following signed statement:

"8-14-78
Somers, Connecticut

I, [REDACTED] freely and voluntarily make this signed statement to Special Agents [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] who have identified themselves to me as Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. I have completed four years of high school and am presently serving a five to ten year sentence for armed robbery at Somers, Connecticut, the State's correctional facility.

While I was serving an eight year sentence in Atlanta Federal Penitentiary, approximately in 1973 during a conversation with another inmate by the name of [REDACTED] he told me the following story:

He told me that during his stay at Leavenworth Federal Institution he met and became friends with an individual who claimed to be part of the Kennedy assassination. The individual told him that he was one of eleven people who had been directly involved in the assassination and that he had deliberately committed a crime to keep from being killed, which had happened to the other ten people who were supposedly involved in the assassination.

I don't know what kind of crime he had been busted on, it could have been bank robbery.

Interviewed on 8-24-78 at Somers, Connecticut File # NH 175-

by SAs [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] Date dictated 8-25-78

PARENTS:

SISTER:

MARITAL STATUS:

ARRESTS:

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] advised that he has been incarcerated in various prisons for the past 12 years and has been "on the street" only for about six months. He has been in the following prisons: Danbury, Atlanta, McNeil Island and Connecticut Correctional Facility in Somers.

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[REDACTED] stated that he is getting tired of incarceration. As the Agents were departing the interview room, [REDACTED] stated that if the Agents run into any Federal parole board people, he would like to be remembered to them. He had also stated that, as a reason for not reporting this sooner, he had not thought much about it until he read that the assassination hearings were going to begin.