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Memorandum to Mr. Monahan
Re: Assassination of President John F. Kennedy

Research to date has disclosed the following:

(1) Dallas Division has located an 11/24/63, memorandum prepared by SA James P. Hosty setting forth some of the information appearing in the address book as it was made available to him on 11/22/63, by the Dallas Police Department. This memorandum did not set forth the Hosty data appearing in the address book.

(2) Dallas Division has also located additional memoranda prepared by Hosty dated 12/3/63, and 12/20/63, which did set forth the fact that the Hosty data appeared in the Lee Harvey Oswald address book.

(3) By airtel of 12/11/63, the Bureau furnished Dallas Division with photographs of the Oswald address book which Dallas Division had obtained from the Dallas Police Department on 11/27/63, and submitted to the Bureau. These photos depicted the Hosty data appearing in the address book (Bufile 105-82555-403).

(4) By airtel of 12/19/63, Dallas Division furnished pages comparable to pages 672 through 701 of the 12/23/63, report with the suggestion that these be provided to CIA for review. The pages of this submission coincide with pages 672 and 696 of the 12/23/63, report version. The Dallas dictator's initials are "WCD." (105-82555-1247)

(5) FBIHQ searches have located a tickler folder, last known to have been in the custody of the Intelligence Division, which includes a booklet containing pages comparable to those appearing as pages 672 through 701 in the 12/23/63, report, however, page 25, numbered according to what purports to be original numbering of the Kessler memorandum and bearing the Dallas Lee Harvey Oswald file number, 1000-10461, and the dictator's initials "JTK," does reflect the SA Hosty data as it appeared in the address book.

(6) The tickler folder also contained an unidentified document which has now been located in Bufiles and identified as

a) [REDACTED] (5105-82555-2864)
and forwarded to Dallas Division by Bureau airtel of 2/7/64, which

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bore the Bureau dictator's initials "REL." Bureau letter to CIA of 12/31/64, furnished data derived from the address book and requested CIA to provide any information it might develop (105-82555-1204). This explained that the data furnished to CIA was supplied by the 12/19/63, Dallas airtel and this communication bore the Bureau dictator's initials "ETT."

(7) Dallas Division has located a 1/25/64, memorandum in file prepared by SAC Shanklin referencing a Butelcal with Section Chief William C. Brannigan wherein Brannigan inquired why Hosty's name had not been included in the 12/23/63, report. The Bureau interest was generated by an article appearing in "The Nation" alleging Oswald had the Hosty data in his possession.

(8) A 1/27/64, J. Edgar Hoover letter to the Warren Commission advised of the appearance of the Hosty data in Oswald's address book (105-82555-1517). Bureau dictator's initials on this communication are "REL." This letter was based, in part, on Dallas teletype to the Bureau dated 1/25/64, which referred to W. C. Brannigan's telephone call of 1/25/64, and stated Hosty's name had been omitted since only information of lead value had been set forth (105-82555-1666).

(9) Dallas Division ultimately furnished, by report of 2/11/64, the Hosty data, as well as other data, derived from the address book, but which had been omitted from the 12/23/63 report for the stated reason that it was not of lead value.

(10) The 12/23/63, (105-82555-1212) and the 2/11/63, (105-82555-2027) Dallas reports were disseminated to the Warren Commission on 1/13/64, and 2/19/64, respectively.

(11) By airtel dated 2/7/64, Dallas Division also furnished amended pages to the 12/23/63, report which included pages 672 through 701 (105-82555-2093). Copies were also furnished to New Orleans Division which received an information copy of the 12/23/63, report.

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(12) Bureau airtel dated 2/14/64, advised Dallas and New Orleans that the amended pages were not to be inserted in the 12/23/63, report since the changes were not substantive and dealt primarily with page numbering of the original address book. The amended pages did not include the Hosty data (105-82555-2021). SAC Francis M. Mullen, Jr., New Orleans Division, reviewed the New Orleans Lee Harvey Oswald file on 11/15/77, and advised that pages 672 through 701 conformed to Bufiles.

(13) Former SA Gemberling and SA Kessler furnished affidavits dated 2/25/64, Bufile 105-82555-2243 and 105-82555-2244 respectively, which essentially explained the conversion of Kessler's office memorandum to a report insert and stated that the Hosty data was omitted from both the memorandum and report since it was not of lead value. These affidavits were furnished to the Warren Commission by Bureau letter dated 2/27/64, (105-82555-2240).

(14) SA Udo H. Specht, Dallas Division, has conducted exhaustive searches to locate the original Kessler memorandum without success.

(15) Comparison of all four versions of pages 672 through 701 reflect the following:

(A) The 12/19/63, version appears identical to the 12/23/63, report version except for a minor pen change to a street number.

(B) Only the tickler version contains the Hosty data.

(C) The tickler, report and amended page versions differ in many respects. For example, 25 pages of the tickler copy do not coincide with the 30 pages of the report version to include page 696 which pertains to the Hosty data.

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