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(500) KENNEDY - UNAMERICAN

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(ADVANCE) WASHINGTON, AUG. 9 (AP)-THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON UN-AMERICAN ACTIVITIES BLAMES THE ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY ON THE PROPAGANDA AND AGITATION CAMPAIGNS OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY.

AT THE SAME TIME, THE COMMITTEE, IN ITS ANNUAL REPORT RELEASED TODAY, SAID IT TAKES NO POSITION ON THE QUESTION OF "WHETHER THE ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY WAS AN INDIVIDUAL ACT OR THE WORK OF CONSPIRACY."

THE WIDELY ACCEPTED THEORY IN OFFICIAL WASHINGTON IS THAT LEE HARVEY OSWALD, ALTHOUGH A SELF-PROCLAIMED MARXIST, WAS A LONER WHO ACTED OUT OF HIS OWN ABERRATIONS WHEN HE FIRED THE BULLETS THAT KILLED KENNEDY IN DALLAS LAST NOV. 22.

A PRESIDENTIAL COMMISSION HEADED BY CHIEF JUSTICE EARL WARREN IS EXPECTED TO ANNOUNCE THAT CONCLUSION NEXT MONTH IN ITS REPORT ON THE ASSASSINATION.

THE HOUSE COMMITTEE CONSTANTLY EMPHASIZED OSWALD'S COMMUNIST BACKGROUND AS IT DISCUSSED THE MURDER AND DEMANDED THAT CONGRESS PASS A LAW MAKING THE ASSASSINATION OF A PRESIDENT OR VICE PRESIDENT A FEDERAL CRIME.

IN A PREFACE TO THE REPORT, REP. EDWIN E. WILLIS, D-LA., CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMITTEE, SAID "THE COMMUNISTS' CONSTANT - .34889

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IN A PREFACE TO THE REPORT, REP. EDWIN E. WILLIS, D-LA., CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMITTEE, SAID "THE COMMUNISTS' CONSTANT 'HATE AMERICA' BARRAGE RESULTS...IN CERTAIN OF OUR CITIZENS DEFYING OUR LAWS, STEALING OUR SECRETS, AND ENGAGING IN OTHER TRAITOROUS ACTIVITIES."

"BECAUSE OF 'HATE THE U.S.' PROPAGANDA AND AGITATION CAMPAIGNS," HE WENT ON, "ATTEMPTS HAVE BEEN MADE ON THE LIVES OF TWO RECENT PRESIDENTS OF THE UNITED STATES."

HE LISTED ONE AS THE ATTEMPT BY PUERTO RICAN NATIONALISTS TO KILL PRESIDENT TRUMAN IN 1950. HE SAID THESE NATIONALISTS HAD "FOR YEARS BEEN DEFENDED AND AIDED BY THE U.S. COMMUNIST PARTY."

WILLIS SAID KENNEDY WAS SLAIN BY A MAN "WHOSE LIFE AND CONDUCT --- BY HIS OWN ADMISSIONS AND ACTIONS --- WAS SHAPED LARGELY BY COMMUNIST PROPAGANDA."

THE CHAIRMAN SAID THAT PERHAPS THE KENNEDY ASSASSINATION "WOULD NOT HAVE HAPPENED IF, DURING PAST YEARS, THE AMERICAN PEOPLE, AS A WHOLE, HAD WORKED HARDER TO DISCLOSE THE LIES AND HALF-TRUTHS IN DOMESTIC COMMUNIST PROPAGANDA SO THAT OUR YOUTH WOULD NOT BE MISLED BY IT."

IN THE BODY OF THE REPORT, THE COMMITTEE CONCLUDED THAT THE COMMUNISTS APPROVE ASSASSINATION AND OTHER POLITICAL TERROR WHEN THE ACT IS EXPEDIENT AND USEFUL.

"WAS THE ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY AN EXPEDIENT, USEFUL ACT FROM THE COMMUNIST VIEWPOINT?" THE COMMITTEE ASKED. "WE CAN HARDLY EXPECT TO LEARN THE ANSWER TO THIS QUESTION FROM THE ONLY PERSONS IN POSITIONS TO REALLY KNOW THE TRUTH, THE LEADERS OF THE PRINCIPAL COMMUNIST CAMPS..."

"WHETHER THE ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY WAS AN INDIVIDUAL ACT OR THE WORK OF A CONSPIRACY (THE COMMITTEE TAKES NO POSITION ON THIS QUESTION), IT IS CLEAR THAT COMMUNIST ADHERENTS...CANNOT BE EXPECTED ALWAYS TO UNDERSTAND OR ACT UPON THE REFINEMENTS OF COMMUNIST DOGMA OR DIRECTIVES OR JUDGMENTS AS TO THE EXPEDIENCY OF A PARTICULAR ACT AT ANY GIVEN MOMENT."

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