



WILHELM OLTMANS
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Dutch Journalist

He Says Ford Knows Who Had JFK Killed

Washington

A Dutch journalist said yesterday that former President Ford was told who ordered the killing of President Kennedy.

In a news conference, the journalist, Willem Oltmans, said, "I have proof President Ford received the complete information as to who killed President Kennedy, and who ordered it (the assassination)."

Ford was a member of the Warren Commission which investigated the assassination and concluded Oswald acted alone in killing Kennedy.

Oltmans said a man whose identity he would not reveal said Ford was briefed on the so-called complete story, on which Oltmans repeatedly refused to elaborate.

(In Vail, Colo., Ford aide Bob Barrett said the former president would have no comment, adding for himself: "This is ridiculous.")

(Barrett said that as far as Ford is concerned nothing new has surfaced in the assassination probe.)

Oltmans said he would make the man's identity (his informant) known only to President Carter and then only after presidential guarantees for the man's safety.

Oltmans said information received by Ford also was contained in a report compiled by a U.S. intelligence agency—he would not name the agency—and was given to Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis and former Kennedy aide Theodore Sorensen.

Oltmans said his witness has known or spoken with every president since Franklin Roosevelt, with the exception of Carter. Oltmans said the man is far from Washington, and that he does not know if his source talked to authorities during the investigation of the assassination.

He refused to reveal the name of his source. He said that the last time he named a witness, "The result of mentioning this witness is he was dead."

Oltmans was referring to George de Morenschildt, a college professor found dead in Palm Beach, Fla., of an apparently self-inflicted gunshot wound last March, just hours after a staff member of the House committee investigating the assassination tried to interview him. De Morenschildt had been identified the day before in secret testimony by Oltmans as a potential witness in the case.

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