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The Whole Truth

The full story of the assassination and its stunning sequel must be placed before the American people and the world in a responsible way by a responsible source of the United States Government.

This is a national matter, not one merely for the police of Dallas. We must be told, after a thorough investigation, all the evidence about Lee Harvey Oswald, the accused assassin. We must be told about his motives, about his past activities and travels, about his organizational affiliations, about what branches of government his life touched, about whatever knowledge the local police and the F.B.I. had of Oswald—before and after the shooting by and of the accused.

We must be told all the facts about Jack Ruby's killing of Oswald. President Johnson has rightly directed the F.B.I. to look into "every aspect" of this disgraceful shooting right in the Dallas jail. And we must be told how and why rifles and revolvers can be bought and concealed so easily in this country.

The killing of the accused assassin does not close the books on the case. In fact, it raises questions which must be answered if we are ever to fathom the depths of the President's terrible death and its aftermath. An objective Federal commission, if necessary, with members of Congress included, must be apprised of all and tell us all. Much as we would like to obliterate from memory the most disgraceful weekend in our history, a clear explanation must be forthcoming. Not in a spirit of vengeance, not to cover up, but for the sake of information and justice and to restore respect for law.