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CLASSIFIED BY 5668 SLD/KSR MARK LANE
DECLASSIFY ON: 25X (JFK) summary

Mark Lane, born February 24, 1927, Bronx, New York, is an attorney who has maintained legal offices in New York City since 1952. He has a long history of affiliation with Communist Party front groups. In 1952 he was Administrative Secretary of the New York Chapter of the National Lawyers Guild which has been cited by the House Committee on Un-American Activities. He is a former member of the New York State Assembly, 1960-62.

During the period the Warren Commission was in existence, Lane continually took issue with the Commission concerning evidence developed surrounding the assassination of President Kennedy. He received considerable publicity in these matters and regarding his personal investigation of the assassination of President Kennedy. At one point, he was retained by Mrs. Marguerite Oswald, mother of Lee Harvey Oswald. On December 30, 1964, he married a Danish national and has been residing abroad since that time. He frequently returns to the United States and on August 15, 1966, he published a book "Rush to Judgment," which he describes as a critique of the Warren Commission's inquiry into the assassination of President Kennedy.

The Office of the District Attorney, Queens County New York, conducted an investigation of Mark Lane in 1962 for alleged sodomy, making available the statements of two girls, an obscene photograph of Mark Lane and hand printed instructions which Lane gave to one of the girls in order that they could perform upon his person perverted sexual acts of a sadistic and masochistic nature.

A confidential source, contact with whom has been insufficient to establish his reliability, has advised that the Soviet Committee for State Security (KGB) had established a "trusted relationship" with Mark Lane. He was identified

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by the KGB as a lawyer and author of a recent book critical of the Warren Commission. According to the source, this "relationship" was established by Boris Orekhov, a KGB officer who had two meetings with Lane. Thereafter, however, Lane went to Europe and after his return was not contacted. (S)(u)

With regard to the Boris Orekhov mentioned above, it is believed he is identical with Boris Mikhaylovich Orekhov, a Soviet national formerly employed by the United Nations Secretariat, New York City. Orekhov served in the United States from February 12, 1964, to June 17, 1965, and again from August 19, 1965, to April 2, 1966. (S)(u)

According to the above confidential source, information concerning Lane had previously been made available to the KGB in December, 1962. This data described him as an attorney, a member of the New York State Assembly, and sharply opposed to policies of the New York Democratic Party. He was also described as sharply opposed to racial discrimination, having organized a group of "freedom riders" which traveled to southern states where he was arrested. He was further described as an advocate of passive resistance although he is not inclined to submissiveness. (S)(u)

NOTE: See memorandum Branigan to Mr. W.C. Sullivan dated 11/7/67 captioned as above, prepared by CGS:llc:eco.

This is being prepared for delivery to the White House and Attorney General.

Classified "Top Secret" as it contains information received from a highly sensitive source, [NY 5812-S*], disclosure of which could result in grave damage to the defense interests of the U. S. (S)

CIA concurrence has been received for the dissemination of the information concerning Lane as set forth in this matter.

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Memorandum

- 1 - Mr. C.D. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. W.C. Sullivan

TO : Mr. W. C. Sullivan

DATE: November 7, 1967

FROM : W. A. Branigan *WAB*

- 1 - Mr. W.A. Branigan
- 1 - Mr. A.W. Neale
- 1 - Mr. C.G. Sullivan

SUBJECT: MARK LANE
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Attached is a memorandum concerning the subject which includes derogatory background data together with additional information received from Shamrock ^(S)our sensitive penetration of Soviet intelligence regarding his relationship with the Soviet Committee for State Security (KGB) for delivery to Mrs. Mildred Stegall at the White House, and the Attorney General.

BACKGROUND:

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Mark Lane, a 40-year-old attorney, has maintained legal offices in New York City since 1952. He has a long history of affiliation with Communist Party front groups, and in 1952 held a position of Administrative Secretary of the New York Chapter of the National Lawyers Guild which has been cited by the House Committee on Un-American Activities. He is a former member of the New York State Assembly, 1960-62.

On December 30, 1964, Lane married a Danish national and has been residing abroad since that time. He received considerable publicity regarding a personal investigation he was conducting concerning the assassination of President Kennedy which resulted in the publication of a book on August 15, 1966, entitled "Rush to Judgment." At one point during the Warren Commission inquiry, he was retained by Mrs. Marguerite Oswald, mother of Lee Harvey Oswald. In 1962 the Office of the District Attorney, Queens County, New York, conducted an investigation of him for alleged sodomy furnishing the Bureau with statements and photographs concerning perverted sexual acts of a sadistic and masochistic nature committed by Lane. *100-409763-211*

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Memorandum to Mr. W. C. Sullivan
RE: MARK LANE
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~~During~~ our contacts with ~~[Shamrock, he]~~^(S) furnished ~~(S)~~ information that the Soviet Committee for State Security established a "trusted relationship" with Mark Lane. His Soviet contact, who was identified, was formerly employed by the United Nations Secretariat, New York City. Details concerning this contact with Soviet intelligence are set out in attached memorandum which should be disseminated to the White House and the Attorney General. ~~(S)~~

RECOMMENDATION:

If you agree, attached for delivery to Mrs. Mildred Stegall of the White House and the Attorney General is a memorandum including pertinent derogatory data regarding Lane together with additional data received from ~~our~~ ~~[Shamrock]~~ source concerning his contacts with Soviet intelligence. ~~(S)~~

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