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TO : SAC, HOUSTON

FROM : SAC, DALLAS (89A-DL-60165)

SUBJECT : ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY;  
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Enclosed for Houston and the Bureau are two copies of the letter dated March 8, 1992 from inmate THOMAS WHITE III to Assistant United States Attorney (AUSA) LARRY E. JARRETT; and two copies of a letter dated March 12, 1992 between the same two individuals. Also enclosed are two copies of January 21, 1992 airtel from WMFO to Bureau

On March 11, 1992, AUSA LARRY E. JARRETT, UNITED STATES ATTORNEY'S OFFICE, Northern District of Texas, Dallas, Texas, provided the original of the March 8, 1992 letter described above to FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION (FBI), Dallas, Texas. A pertinent portion of that letter describes an incident which WHITE claims occurred in Tampa, Florida, in 1963. WHITE describes overhearing a meeting which occurred between SANTO TRAFFICANTE, FRANK IPPILITO, aka "COWBOY, and an attorney by the name of FRANK REGANO at an establishment identified as the S. M. S. ITALIAN CLUB, located on 19th Street and 8th Avenue, Tampa, Florida. It is alleged that the conversation involved the assassination of President JOHN F. KENNEDY.

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In the March 12, 1992 letter, WHITE expresses his concerns possible inmate retribution.

The January 21, 1992 airtel from Washington Field Office to the Director has been provided as background information.

Houston should be advised that prior to working as the AUSA, JARRETT worked as an Assistant District Attorney for Dallas County. JARRETT's first contact with WHITE occurred when WHITE sent in an unsolicited letter to JARRETT regarding the involvement of an individual in a rape case which JARRETT was handling. As a result of testimony WHITE provided, a conviction for aggravated rape was obtained by JARRETT in state court against an individual by the name of MARIO GARCIA. AUSA JARRETT advised that he never promised WHITE anything for his testimony in the GARCIA case.

**LEADS****HOUSTON DIVISION****AT ALICE UNIT NUMBER ONE, HUNTSVILLE, TEXAS:**

Houston is requested to interview THOMAS WHITE III regarding his knowledge of the 1963 meeting between TRAFFICANTE, REGANO, and IPPILITO. In particular, Houston should attempt to obtain any identifying information regarding the location of the meeting, the participants, and the topics of discussion.

Additionally, Houston should attempt to illicit specific information regarding a Tampa police officer identified only as FNU MASSEY, a black male, who worked in the "Central Avenue" community of Tampa, Florida in 1963.

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Regarding the January 21, 1992, airtel from WMFO to Dallas, Houston should abide by all of the warnings set forth on the document regarding symbol source NY[856]OA.[CS]

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (ATTN: VIOLENT CRIMES SECTION, CID)

FROM : SAC, Washington Field Office (DL 89A-43) (RUC)

SUBJECT : ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY,  
DALLAS, TEXAS,  
11/22/63  
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Re WMFO telcalls to Violent Crimes Unit, FBIHQ, 1/17/92 and FBI, Dallas, 1/21/92.

Enclosed for FBIHQ, Dallas and New York are two copies each of a self-explanatory insert documenting information from a high level New York source concerning captioned matter.

For information of FBIHQ and Dallas, New York FCI source providing the attached information is a former WMFO (Top Echelon) source. This source has provided reliable and very sensitive high level information (in both criminal and FCI matters) for many years.

For clarification, attached information is being provided by WMFO as WMFO SA WILLIAM M. MACKEY (is the original source case agent who now is a designated an alternate source contact agent) SA MACKEY is responsible for disseminating any criminal information developed by source regarding criminal activities outside the New York Metropolitan area.

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New York is being provided information copies for inclusion in source file only.

The attached is provided for whatever action deemed appropriate. Leads are being left to the discretion of Dallas.

Since no leads are outstanding, WMFO is placing this matter in RUC status.

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Source providing the attached information is NY (7856-OA) (S)

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The following information was telephonically provided by NY (7856-OA) to Special Agent WILLIAM M. MACKEY, Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), Washington Metropolitan Field Office, on 1/16-17/92: [CS]

Source learned Tampa, Florida, attorney FRANK RAGANO (phonetic) would be appearing on the ABC News show "PRIME TIME LIVE" on 1/16/92 claiming to have information that former TEAMSTERS President JIMMY HOFFA instructed La Cosa Nostra (LCN) bosses to kill President JOHN F. KENNEDY in 1963. Based upon source's past relationship with both HOFFA and RAGANO, source categorized RAGANO's claims as "lies".

Source advised source's relationship with HOFFA began in the late 1950s while HOFFA was a Vice President of the TEAMSTERS. Source's relationship with HOFFA lasted until HOFFA's disappearance. Source described the relationship between source and HOFFA as "close" (noting that source was one of HOFFA's few associates who could meet with or call HOFFA at any time without an appointment. Source stated HOFFA offered source a position as one of HOFFA'S trusted assistants which source respectfully declined.) [CS]

In regard to RAGANO, (source recalled attending only three or four meetings with HOFFA and others in the early 1960s which were also attended by RAGANO.) Although source has not had contact with RAGANO for many years, source recalled RAGANO (like most people attempting to contact HOFFA) was required to make an appointment to see HOFFA in the early 1960s. Source was not aware if RAGANO'S status with HOFFA changed in later years. [CS]

Source identified attorneys close to HOFFA as EDDIE SHAFITZ (phonetic), a partner of the late EDWARD BENNETT WILLIAMS in Washington, D.C. and an attorney (name not recalled) who was a close associate of the BUFFALINO LCN family. Source did not consider RAGANO an attorney "close" to HOFFA.

Source advised HOFFA was very close to LCN boss SANTOS TRAFFICANTE and other LCN members. Source said HOFFA was capable of ordering a contract "hit". Source advised HOFFA was always "doing favors" for high level LCN members and, if HOFFA requested a contract "hit", the "hit" probably would have been done by the LCN for free.

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Source identified JOSEPH CONNO (phonetic) as a current TEAMSTERS official in New York City. Source described CONNO as one of HOFFA's close assistants in the 1960s who may have knowledge of HOFFA's activities prior to the assassination of PRESIDENT KENNEDY.

Based upon source's relationships with past LCN bosses, source commented that if RAGANO's claims about an LCN contract against PRESIDENT KENNEDY were true, RAGANO would have been killed by the LCN years ago. Based on RAGANO's claims that HOFFA, through RAGANO, requested TRAFFICANTE to arrange for the murder of PRESIDENT KENNEDY, RAGANO should have been killed shortly after PRESIDENT KENNEDY'S assassination. This would have been done to prevent RAGANO from identifying either HOFFA or TRAFFICANTE as orchestrating the "hit".

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