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RemyAirtel to Bureau with copies for San Francisco dated 11/19/63, indicating that subject LAWSON and his wife were driving to San Francisco, California where he was to fill a speaking engagement. (C)(u)

On 12/6/63, Former LA 3402-S (who has furnished reliable information in the past and who desires her identity continue to be maintained in confidence) advised that Mr. LAWSON had returned from the San Francisco area, as had his wife. He told informant that he had been originally scheduled to present a speech in that area on Friday, November 22, 1963; however, due to the assassination of the President, the speaking engagement was postponed until Sunday, November 24, 1963. He said that he changed the subject of his talk to "A Tribute to KENNEDY." (C)(u)

LAWSON further stated that he is sure the truth has not been told concerning the assassination of the President, that he feels it is part of an "ultra-right-wing plot." (C)(u)

On 12/4/63 LA 3932-S orally advised SA HARVEY G. BERKEY that since LAWSON returned from the Soviet Union he has not returned to a position of leadership in the Southern California District Communist Party (SCDCP); and that he currently is not a club or section officer, but rather is merely attached to the Professional Cultural Section of the SCDCP. LAWSON is, therefore, no longer being designated as a Key Figure. Detcom tabbing will be continued. (C)(u)

The next report concerning LAWSON is scheduled to reach the Bureau on May 6, 1964.

A copy of this communication is being furnished the San Francisco Division as it notes the fact LAWSON has returned to Los Angeles from his speaking engagement in the San Francisco area.

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