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January 24, 2017

John Greenewald
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Dear Mr. Greenewald,

I am writing in response to your Freedom of Information Act request dated December 28, 2016 for records in the custody of the National Archives and Records Administration. You requested access for Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) case files 100-HQ-351938 and 140-HQ-7536 on Harold Weisberg. Your request was received in this office on January 04, 2017 and assigned FOIA case number RD 51942. Please see below for information regarding the two FBI files requested.

FBI Case File: 100-351938

You requested access to FBI case file 100-HQ-351938, identified by the FBI as potentially responsive to your request for records relating to Harold Weisberg. My initial assessment confirms that Harold Weisberg is in fact the subject of this file. The file has an estimated 250 pages and it was compiled as part of an internal security investigation conducted between July 1947 and November 1978.

This file requires screening for categories of information exempted from disclosure under the terms of the FOIA, prior to public release. In particular, there documents that may be redacted to protect the identities of confidential sources, including FBI informant codes and informant file numbers.

Requests for FBI case files that do not exceed 500 pages are assigned to our first-tier processing queue. Taking into consideration our existing backlog, the estimated time required to complete the processing of your request is approximately 18 months from the date of this letter.

To notify this office of a change in your contact information or to track the status of your request, please telephone 301-837-3190 or email specialaccess_foia@nara.gov. If you have specific questions regarding the subject of your request, please contact me directly by telephone at 301-837-3042 or by email at Christina.Jones@nara.gov. All communications concerning this request should reference your case tracking number RD 51942.

FBI Case File: 140-HQ-7536

I have completed a line-by-line review of FBI case file 140-HQ-7536 and released information to the greatest extent possible. The file has been redacted to protect the identities of confidential sources per 5 USC 552 (b)(7)(D). A summary of the results of this review is provided below:

- *FBI Case File: 140-HQ-7536; Subject: Harold Weisberg; Dates of Investigation: January 1955 to October 1973: 20 total pages; 19 pages released in full and 1 pages released in redacted form.*

This concludes the processing of your request for case file 140-HQ-7536. I have enclosed a courtesy copy of this file. If you have any additional questions concerning my review of this file, please contact me directly at the information that was provided to you above in this letter.

If you are not satisfied with our action on this request, you have the right to file an administrative appeal within ninety (90) calendar days from the date of this letter. Appeals must be in writing and may be delivered by regular U.S. mail or by e-mail. By filing an appeal, you preserve your rights under the Freedom of Information Act and present the deciding agency with an opportunity to review your request and reconsider its decision. If you submit your appeal by regular mail, it should be addressed to the Deputy Archivist of the United States (ND), National Archives and Records Administration, 8601 Adelphi Road, Room 4200, College Park, Maryland 20740-6001. Both the letter and envelope should be clearly marked "FOIA Appeal." If you submit your appeal by e-mail, please send it to foia@nara.gov, addressed to the Deputy Archivist, with the words "FOIA Appeal" in the subject line. Please be certain to explain why you believe this response does not meet the requirements of the Freedom of Information Act. All communications concerning this request should reference your FOIA case number 51942.

If you would like the opportunity to discuss our response and attempt to resolve your dispute without initiating the appeals process, you may contact our FOIA Public Liaison for assistance:

Accessioned Executive Branch Records – Washington, DC Area
FOIA Requester Service Center: 301-837-3190
FOIA Public Liaison: Martha Wagner Murphy
8601 Adelphi Road, Room 5500
College Park, MD 20740-6001
Telephone: 301-837-3270
E-mail: dc.foia.liason@nara.gov

If you are unable to resolve your dispute through our Public Liaison, the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) is the federal FOIA ombudsman. OGIS offers mediation services to help resolve disputes between FOIA requesters and federal agencies. You may contact OGIS at the following address:

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National Archives and Records Administration
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College Park, MD 20740-6001
ogis@nara.gov
202-741-5770
1-877-684-6448

Sincerely,



Christina V. Jones
Archivist
Special Access and FOIA Staff
<https://www.archives.gov/research/foia>

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SAC, Washington Field

January 14, 1955

Director, FBI

EX-110

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7536 -

HAROLD WEISSBERG

SECURITY OF GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES

Buded: 1-28-55

T-WFO 11
Rec'd
1-12-55
✓
delay due to
necessity of
checking
records
2/1/55

Refer WF 65-5428 and urlet 11/18/53, re "Harry Dexter White, Espionage-R." This letter reflects that a desk telephone directory containing approximately 450 names was obtained by the Washington Metropolitan Police Department in 1948 on a raid at the residence of Julius Kaplan, 516 Second Street, N. W., Washington, D. C. Kaplan was identified as a Communist Party member and head of the "Worker" (Daily Worker) commission in Washington, D. C.

On the above list appears the entry "Harold Weissberg, OSS, Ex 6100, Latin Am."

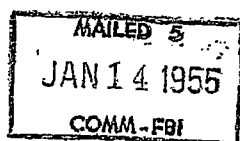
The WFO is requested to determine the identity of the Harold Weissberg appearing on the foregoing list and whether he is presently employed by the Government in a position coming within the purview of EO 10450. If he is so employed, Washington Field should review his personnel file, set out all necessary leads and conduct a PI to determine whether sufficient information exists to warrant an FFI.

In the event Washington Field determines that the files of indicate that this individual is no longer with that agency and his personnel file is in St. Louis, then St. Louis should be requested to review his file and furnish Washington Field with background in order that the CSC indices can be properly checked to determine possible present Government employment.

cc: (2) St. Louis (FRC)

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Tamm _____
 Sizoo _____
Winterrowd _____
Tele. Room _____
Holloman _____
Gandy _____



RE: HAROLD WEISSBERG
SECURITY OF GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES

C. H. Stanley
Employees Security Section

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JAN 17 1950

INDEXED 81

Mr. Boardman
Mr. Nichols
Mr. Belmont
Mr. Harbo
Mr. Mohr
Mr. Parsons
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Tamm
Mr. Sizoo
Mr. Winterrowd
Tele. Room
Mr. Holloman
Miss Gandy

AIRTEL

FBI WASH FIELD

DIRECTOR

NR-MR

2/8/55

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HAROLD WEISBERG, SGE. REBULET 1/14/55 ENTITLED HAROLD
WEISSBERG, SGE. FILES OF OSS AT CIA REFLECT ON HAROLD

WEISBERG, BORN 4/8/13, PH, PA, THAT HE WAS APPLI FOR POSITION
OF CONSULTANT IN 1944. APPLICATION REFLECTS WAS IN U.S. ARMY,
12/18/42 - 11/17/44 AND LAST ASSIGNMENT IN ARMY WAS AS
PRESENTATION EDITOR IN OSS. HE LISTED AS A REFERENCE N.R.
ROGERS, LATIN AMERICAN DIVISION, OSS. THIS INDIVIDUAL APPEARS
TO BE THE INDIVIDUAL REFERRED TO IN REBULET. NATHAN GREENBERG,
CSC, ADVISED THAT ON 6/23/47 WEISBERG WAS REMOVED AS RESEARCH
ANALYST, DIVISION OF RESEARCH FOR AMERICAN REPUBLICS, DEPT OF
STATE, AND A FILE IS AVAILABLE ON HIM IN THE INVESTIGATIONS
DIVISION, CSC. GREENBERG SAID HIS RECORDS DO NOT INDICATE
THAT WEISBERG IS PRESENTLY EMPLOYED BY THE GOVT. CIA RECORDS
REFLECTED ON 11/30/54 WEISBERG'S FILE WAS REVIEWED BY U.S. SECRET
SERVICE. NO FURTHER INQUIRY BY WFO. RUC.

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Form 73 prepared
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EX-112

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
Records Branch

NUMEROUS-REFERENCE

SEARCH SLIP

Subj: Weinberg, Harold D.Supervisor 485

Room _____

R# 485Date 6-24

Searcher

Initial 719

Prod. _____

(cont.)

FILE NUMBER

SERIAL

Mrs. Harold (ap)121-7681Weinberg, Harold (aka)SINP Weinberg, Harold (aka)I 100-73921-513

☐ Name Searching Unit - Room 6527
☐ Service Unit - Room 6524
☐ Forward to File Review
☐ Attention Yesterday 612510
☒ Return to _____ Supervisor Room Ext.

Type of References Requested:

- ☐ Regular Request (Analytical Search)
☒ All References (Subversive & Nonsubversive),
☐ Subversive References Only
☐ Nonsubversive References Only
☐ Main _____ References Only

Type of Search Requested:

- ☐ Restricted to Locality of _____
☐ Exact Name Only (On the Nose)
☐ Buildup ☐ Variations

JUN 28 1966

Subject Weinberg, Harold D.
 Birthdate & Place _____
 Address _____

Localities

R# 485 Date 6-24 Searcher Initials 719
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UTD 140-7336 Doc 3/10/55L 100-351938I 120-5518I 140-7536L 100-351938-3, Sum 8/5/47L 4, Sum 11/20/47L 5, Sum 12/39/47L 62-109060-4114, 4119L 4123NR I 100-206388-6227, 36, 1, 8NR 100-422720-2NR I 105-66361-27I 105-71974-126L 105-149381-2L 116-433194-9 I 1NR I 121-0-10ANR I 121-19570-41 ap 39NR I 140-0-33455

JUN 28 1966

see on sp. not listed

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July 1, 1966

Summary
HAROLD D. WEISBERG
Born: April 8, 1913
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Harold D. Weisberg

Your attention is directed to the attached report on Lillian Stone Weisberg, who appears to be the wife of the subject of your inquiry. *U*

This report also contains additional information regarding the subject of your inquiry. (121-7681) *U*

FOIA(b)(7) - (D)

(105-71974-126, pgs. 7 & 8)

In 1956, Warden O. Rose, Hyattstown, Maryland, advised a Special Agent of the FBI that Harold Weisberg, resident of Hyattstown, Maryland, held an annual celebration of the Russian Revolution. He said this celebration involved a picnic at Harold Weisberg's residence and was attended by twenty-five to thirty unknown people. Rose said he believed this affair was in commemoration of the Russian Revolution, inasmuch as it was held on the day when the communists celebrated all over the world. Rose said that he had no specific information that Harold Weisberg was a communist. *U*

EX-113 REC-10 7-15-66
Original and 1 - Secret Service
Request received - 6/24/66

NOTE: Classified "Confidential" inasmuch as info from 1956 file 105-71974-126, pg. 7&8 so classified.

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This document contains neither recommendations nor conclusions of the FBI. It is the property of the FBI, and is loaned to your agency; it and its contents are not to be distributed outside your agency. This reply is result of check of FBI investigative files. To check ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ must be submitted to FBI Identification Division. Fingerprints are necessary for positive check.

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Harold D. Weisberg

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Rose stated that Weisberg is the husband of Lillian Stone Weisberg, both of whom were in their forties. (116-433194-10) H

On November 19, 1958, Harold and Lillian Weisberg filed a complaint (Civil Action Number 11036) against the United States Government in United States District Court, Maryland District, Baltimore, Maryland, under the Tort Claims Act, for \$9,950 damages allegedly sustained by them in their poultry business as a result of disturbance caused by low-flying Government-owned helicopters. H

The complaint showed that they were joint owners of Coq d'or (Golden Rooster) Farm, 14-acre tract of land near Hyattstown, Maryland, on Route 109 between US 240 and Maryland Route 355, on which they lived and operated the Coq d'or Farm. The principal business and source of revenue of the Coq d'or Farm was the raising of pheasant-chickens, Rock Cornish game hens, waterfowl, and other poultry and the sale of poultry and their eggs. H

Our files also indicate that a book titled "Whitewash," relating to the assassination of President Kennedy, was written by one Harold Weisberg. (62-109060-4123) H

Enclosure

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Clair & Harold Weisberg

Coq d'Or Press ROUTE 3, FREDERICK, MD. 21701

Code 301/473-8186

9/15/70

Mr. Richard Kleindienst
Deputy Attorney General
The Department of Justice
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Kleindienst,

Because of your recent request to Mr. Fensterwald, I assure you that the subject of this letter is not in litigation and I would prefer that it not reach that stage. I wrote you because, under the law, you are the person I am required to address.

Ronnie Caire, then of New Orleans, was an associate of Sergio Arcacha Smith and others who figured in the investigation of the assassination of President Kennedy. Lee Harvey Oswald also applied to him for a job. Oswald had Caire's office address masked in his addressbook. Caire and Arcacha ran an anti-Castro, fund-raising organization that used an address Oswald also used. Arcacha was the New Orleans head of an organization established, directed and financed by the CIA.

Caire's office address was then the Cigali Building, at the corner of Camp and Canal Streets, New Orleans. His home address was 616 Dumaine Street. The address his organization ("The Crusade to Free Cuba"), Oswald and Arcacha all used is 544 Camp Street, which is identical with a side entrance used by the FBI to mask this address, 531 Lafayette Street.

Caire claims to have been interrogated for 100 hours. The National Archives says it has no single FBI report or even reference to him. I request copies of all relevant data. I presume it should not have been denied the Warren Commission and would prefer to believe it is misfiled somewhere.

Caire's home address is less than two short blocks from Dumaine and Decatur, where Oswald picketed the carrier Wasp in the early summer of 1963, a rather intriguing coincidence, in view of the foregoing. In the course of its investigation, which was not for law-enforcement purposes, the FBI obtained a copy of the leaflet Oswald then distributed, identified a fingerprint on it as not Oswald's, and, if it ever told the Warren Commission whose fingerprint it was, I have been able to find no record of it. I therefore ask if this fingerprint was that of anyone in any way connected with the assassination investigation. I would like to know whose it is, for there are also those who should have been connected with the investigation and appear not to have been.

Should you desire that I submit forms, of course, I will. However, I do hope these unessential formalities can be dispensed with unless and until there is disagreement between us.

140-7536-
ENCLOSURE

Sincerely,

ENCLOSURE

Harold Weisberg
Harold Weisberg

Memorandum

TO : Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Director, F.B.I.

DATE: Oct. 2, 1970

FROM : Richard G. Kleindienst
Deputy Attorney General *RGK*

SUBJECT: Freedom of Information Act

Attached hereto are copies of a request from Mr. Harold Weisberg for information concerning the assassination of President Kennedy.

Would you please have this request reviewed and send me your comments so that I can make an appropriate disposition.

Mr. Tolson	✓
Mr. Sullivan	✓
Mr. Mohr	✓
Mr. Bishop	✓
Mr. Bremer	✓
Mr. Callahan	✓
Mr. Casper	✓
Mr. Conrad	✓
Mr. Felt	✓
Mr. Gale	✓
Mr. Rosen	✓
Mr. Tavel	✓
Mr. Walters	✓
Mr. Soyars	✓
Tele. Room	✓
Miss Holmes	✓
Miss Gandy	✓

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The Deputy Attorney General

October 9, 1970

140-7536-
Director, FBI

1 - Mr. K. M. Raupach
1 - Mr. T. N. Goble

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT

Reference is made to your letter dated October 2, 1970, and to its attachments which pertain to a request from Mr. Harold Weisberg for information concerning the assassination of President Kennedy.

We have instructed our Dallas and New Orleans Offices to review their files for all information concerning Ronnie Caire and when the results are received and have been analyzed, you will be furnished our comments.

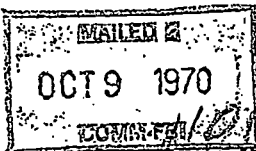
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NOTE:

The request received by the Department for information from FBI files is from Harold Weisberg. Weisberg is the man who has written several books critical of the Warren Commission, the FBI, Secret Service, police agencies and other branches of the Government relating to the Assassination investigation. His writings have contained inaccuracies, falsehoods, and deliberate slanting of facts to fit his purpose. He was one of ten employees fired by the State Department during 1947 because of suspicion of being a communist or having communistic sympathies. Later, he was allowed to resign without prejudice but he was not restored to his former position. Check of Dallas and New Orleans files is necessary to be certain we can give the Department complete information on Weisberg's questions. Weisberg's inquiry concerned Ronnie Caire and Bureau files contain only one reference to this individual, a reference which had no direct connection with the assassination.

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Date: 10/13/70

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTEL _____
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (105-82555)
 FROM: SAC, DALLAS (100-10461)(C)
 SUBJECT: LEE HARVEY OSWALD
 IS - R
 OO: DALLAS

Re Bureau airtel to Dallas and New Orleans
 dated 10/9/70.

A complete review of Dallas files in connection with captioned matter and the related assassination investigation reveals no information concerning RONNIE CAIRE or RAYMOND J. CAIRE not already known to the Bureau as indicated in the referenced airtel.

For the information of the Bureau, Cover Pages I - JJ of the report of SA ROBERT P. GEMBERLING dated 4/15/64, bearing above caption, contain the results of investigation in Russia by CIA concerning notations which appear in OSWALD's address book.

Pages 672 - 701 of the report of SA ROBERT P. GEMBERLING dated 12/23/63 bearing above caption, contain the names, addresses, and/or telephone numbers from the address book of LEE HARVEY OSWALD.

A complete review of a photograph of OSWALD's address book available at Dallas fails to reflect any information indicating RONNIE CAIRE's office address is in this address book. It would appear that WEISBERG's claim that CAIRE's office address is "masked" in this address book is a statement that only WEISBERG can clarify. In the event WEISBERG can

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 2 - New Orleans (100-16601)(Info)(RM)
 1 - Dallas
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Approved: NOV 6 1970
 Special Agent in Charge

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relate how such address is "masked" it is possible that some pertinent observation could then be made.

Two copies of this airtel are furnished the New Orleans office in view of Bureau request of that office and no further action is being taken by Dallas, UACB.

F B I

Date: 10/19/70

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL - REGISTERED
(Priority)

TO: Director, FBI (105-82555)

FROM: SAC, New Orleans (100-16601) (RUC)

LEE HARVEY OSWALD
IS - R

ReBuairtel to Dallas and New Orleans 10/9/70.

New Orleans files reveal the following information relating to ROBERT JAMES CAIRE who is probably identical to the RONNIE CAIRE mentioned in reBuairtel:

On 11/17/61, an individual who identified himself as RONNIE CAIRE, Ronnie Caire Advertising Agency, 704 Cigali Building, New Orleans, Louisiana, telephonically advised that he had been approached by SERGIO ARCACHA, a representative of the Cuban Revolutionary Front, Room 6, 544 Camp Street, New Orleans, La., to conduct an advertising campaign for the Cuban Revolutionary Front for the purpose of building public support and raising money. He informed that the purpose of contacting the FBI was to determine whether this group was legitimate and recognized by the U. S. Government.

He was informed that this office could not make any statement regarding the organization or the individual mentioned;

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1 - Dallas (Info) (100-10461) (RM)
1 - New Orleans
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Special Agent in Charge

Sent _____ M Per _____

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HAROLD O. WEISBERG
10/20/70
100-16601-125

NO 100-16601

however, it was suggested that he might want to contact the local office of the State Department, as well as the office of the U. S. Attorney in New Orleans, to determine whether he would be required to register.

There appeared in the New Orleans Times Picayune newspaper dated 12/2/61 an article which announced that a two-month "crusade to free Cuba" was begun in the New Orleans area. The aim was to raise money to educate New Orleanians of the danger that Communist-orientated Cuba presents to the United States. This article lists SERGIO ARCACHA as one of the organizers of this crusade and the article further lists one ROBERT J. CAIRE as public relations chairman for the crusade.

Bulet to New Orleans dated 11/2/62, captioned, "RONNY CAIRE ADVERTISING AGENCY, INC.; REGISTRATION ACT - CUBA," enclosed a photostat of an abstract prepared from a registration statement filed by the Ronny Caire Advertising Agency, Inc., with the Registration Section of the Department.

The enclosed photostat of the abstract reveals that the Ronny Caire Advertising Agency, Inc., is located at 704 Cigali Building, New Orleans 12, Louisiana. The officers are listed as ROBERT JAMES CAIRE, president and treasurer, and Mrs. ROBERT JAMES CAIRE, vice president and secretary. The abstract indicates that this firm is representing the New Orleans chapter of the Cuban Democratic Revolutionary Front, 544 Camp Street, New Orleans, Louisiana, to publicize and raise funds.

New Orleans files do not reveal that ROBERT JAMES CAIRE was ever contacted or interviewed in captioned matter.

New Orleans files reveal no additional information regarding RAYMOND J. CAIRE not already known to the Bureau.

In regard to the fingerprint on a leaflet OSWALD had distributed, which is mentioned in referenced communication, the following observations are being set forth:

NO 100-16601

In paragraph five of WEISBERG's letter to Deputy Attorney General KLEINDIENST dated 9/15/70, WEISBERG indicates that OSWALD picketed the carrier "Wasp" and indicated that during this picketing OSWALD distributed leaflets. The FBI obtained a copy of the leaflet and identified a fingerprint on it as not being OSWALD's.

Investigation relating to this incident was conducted and the results set forth in New Orleans LHM 7/22/64.

This investigation revealed that a member of the New Orleans Harbor Police had observed an unknown individual distributing leaflets about Cuba on the New Orleans river front near where the carrier "USS Wasp" was berthed during June 1963. This patrolman was requested by a naval officer aboard the ship to contact the unknown individual and request him to stop distributing the leaflets. The harbor patrolman obtained a couple of the leaflets from this individual and felt sure that this person was LEE HARVEY OSWALD and he based this identification on the fact that he had observed OSWALD on television and his photographs in the newspapers.

These two leaflets were submitted to the Latent Fingerprint Section of the Identification Division by New Orleans airtel 7/28/64. By airtel to New Orleans dated 7/31/64 the Bureau advised that one latent fingerprint had been developed on each of the leaflets submitted; however, the two latent fingerprints were not identical with the fingerprints of LEE HARVEY OSWALD.

This investigation
New Orleans Harbor Police
distributing leaflets at
USS Wasp
this person
felt sure that this person
was LEE HARVEY OSWALD
based this identification
on the fact that he had
observed OSWALD on
television and his
photographs in the
newspapers.

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of LEE HARVEY OSWALD.

The Deputy Attorney General

October 28, 1970

Director, FBI

1 - Mr. K. M. Raupach
1 - Mr. T. N. Goble

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT

Reference is made to our letter dated October 9, 1970, and to your letter dated October 2, 1970, which relate to a request from Mr. Harold Weisberg for information concerning the investigation of the assassination of President Kennedy.

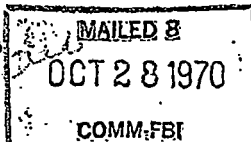
Mr. Weisberg's formal request (DJ-118) asks for "all information about and FBI reports of interviews with Ronnie Caire, questioned for Warren Commission. Further details in letter of 9/15/70." In the September 15, 1970, letter, after furnishing some information about Ronnie Caire, he makes a second request. He writes that the FBI discovered a fingerprint on a leaflet which, he asserts, Lee Harvey Oswald distributed. He asks for information as to whose fingerprint this was and indicates he is aware that the FBI determined that it was not the fingerprint of Oswald.

Concerning the first request, the files of this Bureau and the files of our Dallas and New Orleans Offices contain no information that Ronnie Caire was interviewed by the FBI concerning the assassination of President Kennedy or concerning Oswald. (Files were also reviewed for the variations of the name, that is, Ronny Caire and Robert James Caire.)

The files of our New Orleans Office reveal that on November 17, 1961, an individual, who identified himself as Ronnie Caire, Ronnie Caire Advertising Agency, 704 Cigali Building, New Orleans, Louisiana, telephonically contacted that office and advised that he had been approached by Sergio Arcacha, a representative of the Cuban Revolutionary Front, Room 6, 544 Camp Street, New Orleans, Louisiana, to conduct an advertising campaign for this organization for the purpose of building public support and raising money.

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The Deputy Attorney General

According to the caller, his purpose in contacting the FBI was to determine if this organization was legitimate and recognized by the United States Government. The caller was advised that the FBI could not comment regarding this organization or the individual mentioned.

Shortly after receipt of this inquiry, on December 2, 1961, a New Orleans newspaper, the "Times-Picayune," reported that a two-month "crusade to free Cuba" had begun in the New Orleans area. The objective of the "crusade" was to raise money to educate the people of New Orleans to the danger represented by a communist-oriented Cuba. Sergio Arcacha was listed as one of the organizers and a Robert J. Caire was listed as the Public Relations Chairman.

The files of this Bureau reveal further that the Ronny Caire Advertising Agency, Inc., was registered with the Registration Section of the Department of Justice in 1962. This agency was located at 704 Cigali Building, New Orleans 12, Louisiana. Officers were listed as Robert James Caire, President and Treasurer, and Mrs. Robert James Caire, Vice President and Secretary, according to the registration information. This agency represented the New Orleans Chapter of the Cuban Democratic Revolutionary Front, 544 Camp Street, New Orleans, Louisiana, for publicity and fund raising.

The only other reference to a Ronnie Caire located in the files of this Bureau appears on page ten of the enclosure to a memorandum prepared at New Orleans, Louisiana, on July 20, 1967, entitled "Assassination of President John Fitzgerald Kennedy, November 22, 1963, Dallas, Texas." This memorandum was disseminated to the Criminal Division, Civil Division and Internal Security Division of the Department of Justice on July 27, 1967. The enclosure in which the reference appears is a transcript received from one Carlos Bringuier of an interview between New Orleans District Attorney James Garrison and Carlos Quiroga. The reference to Ronnie Caire was made by Garrison who asked Quiroga when Sergio Arcacha worked for Ronnie Caire, to which, Quiroga replied that it was in 1962, after Arcacha went to Miami. No other mention is made of Ronnie Caire.

The Deputy Attorney General

In his letter of September 15, 1970, Mr. Weisberg stated that Oswald had Ronnie Caire's office address "masked" in his address book. The files of this Bureau contain no information relating to this statement.

With regard to Mr. Weisberg's request for information concerning Ronnie Caire, it is the recommendation of this Bureau that the request be denied because the information concerning Ronnie Caire is contained in investigatory files compiled for law enforcement purposes.

Regarding the second request made by Mr. Weisberg, which concerned the fingerprint on the leaflet, Weisberg appears to be referring to the incident reported by a member of the New Orleans Harbor Police, Mr. Girod Ray. This incident was investigated by this Bureau and the results were furnished to the Warren Commission. Your attention is directed to page 803 of Volume XXII of the "Hearings Before the President's Commission on the Assassination of President Kennedy." In June, 1963, Patrolman Ray was on duty on the New Orleans riverfront near where the aircraft carrier U.S.S. "Wasp" was berthed. A Naval officer aboard the ship requested Patrolman Ray to approach a man, who was in the vicinity of the aircraft carrier, distributing leaflets concerning Cuba. Patrolman Ray talked with the man and asked him to stop distribution of the leaflets. The patrolman obtained several of the leaflets from the man. Subsequently, Patrolman Ray believed the unknown man was Lee Harvey Oswald. He based his identification on observations of Oswald on television and of photographs of Oswald which appeared in the press.

The two leaflets which Patrolman Ray obtained from the man were examined by the FBI for latent fingerprints. One such fingerprint was developed on each leaflet. In view of the belief of Patrolman Ray that the man who distributed the leaflets was Lee Harvey Oswald, these two latent fingerprints were compared with the fingerprints of Oswald. It was determined that these two latent fingerprints were not identical with the fingerprints of Oswald. The two fingerprints were not compared with the fingerprints of any other individual.

The Deputy Attorney General

It is the recommendation of this Bureau that Mr. Weisberg's second request be denied since information concerning these fingerprints is contained in investigatory files compiled for law enforcement purposes. This request might also be denied on the grounds that it was not contained in the formal request (DJ-118) submitted by Mr. Weisberg.

NOTE:

The request received by the Department for information from FBI files is from Harold Weisberg. Weisberg is the man who has written several books-critical of the Warren Commission, the FBI, Secret Service, police agencies and other branches of the Government relating to the Assassination investigation. His writings have contained inaccuracies, falsehoods, and deliberate slanting of facts to fit his purpose. He was one of ten employees fired by the State Department during 1947 because of suspicion of being a communist or having communistic sympathies. Later, he was allowed to resign without prejudice but he was not restored to his former position. Dallas and New Orleans files have been reviewed on the questions raised by Weisberg and above is result. Bufiles were also reviewed. In view of Weisberg's character, he should not be given the information he requests, and there is legal ground for our position.

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JFK Files Stay Closed, Court Rules

Author Harold Weisberg has lost his bid before the U.S. Court of Appeals here to gain access to FBI files on the assassination of former President John F. Kennedy.

In an 8-1 decision announced yesterday, the court upheld a lower court ruling that the FBI analysis of bullet fragments and scrapings from the assassination scene did not qualify for release to the public under the federal Freedom of Information Act.

A dissenting opinion was filed by Chief U.S. Appeals Court Judge David Bazelon. He said that without some mechanism for the public to look at the FBI analysis, "the public will have to rely entirely upon the Justice Department's opinion that the results of the . . . tests are adequately shown in the report of the Warren Commission."

Weisberg, who has written four books on the assassination, has maintained that the Warren Commission report was a "white-wash" and did not tell the full story behind the president's death.

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