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COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

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FBI WASH DC

FBI SANANTON

3:19PM CST 8/1/66 URGENT CEB

TO DIRECTOR ATTN: ASSISTANT TO THE DIRECTOR DE LOACH.
FROM SAN ANTONIO

CHARLES JOSEPH WHITMAN, INFORMATION CONCERNING.

RE MY TELEPHONE CALL TO MR. DONAHOE TODAY.

LI. BERT GERDING, AUSTIN, TEXAS POLICE DEPARTMENT, ADVISED TODAY THAT AN INDIVIDUAL TENTATIVELY IDENTIFIED AS SUBJECT, WHO WAS BORN JUNE TWO, NINETEEN FORTY ONE, HAD EVIDENTLY GONE BERSERK, MOUNTED THE CAMPUS TOWER AT THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT AUSTIN AND INDISCRIMINATELY SHOT A NUMBER OF TIMES WITH FIREARMS AT PASSERS BY, KILLING AT LEAST EIGHT INDIVIDUALS, INCLUDING A POLICEMAN, AND INJURING TWENTY-EIGHT OTHERS.

GERDING ADVISED SUBJECT WAS KILLED, APPARENTLY BY POLICE, WHO WERE UNDERTAKING TO TAKE HIM INTO CUSTODY.

END PAGE ONE

MR. DELOACH FOR THE DIRECTOR

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See memo to Mr. DeLoach 8-2-66 JFC

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SUBJECT, ACCORDING TO GERDING, HAD FIVE FIREARMS, A THIRTY FIVE REMINGTON PUMP RIFLE, A SIX MM. REMINGTON MAGNUM, A TWELVE GAUGE SHOTGUN, A THREE FIVE SEVEN MAGNUM AND A THIRTY CALIBER CARBINE.

SUBJECT LISTED IN THE NINETEEN SIXTY FIVE DASH SIXTY SIX UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS STUDENT DIRECTORY AS A STUDENT RESIDING ONE NAUGHT NAUGHT ONE A, SHELLEY, AUSTIN, TEXAS. NO RECORD AUSTIN PD RE ANY KNOWN MENTAL TENDENCY.

COMPLETE FACTS RELATING TO OVER-ALL INCIDENT NOT YET AVAILABLE.

SAN ANTONIO INDICES ON WHITMAN NEGATIVE.

ABOVE BEING FURNISHED SOLELY FOR BUREAU'S INFORMATION. NO ACTION BEING TAKEN BY SAN ANTONIO.

END AND ACK PLS.

~~CORR PAGE TWO LINE 7 WORD 3 IS "ONE". LINE 8 WORD 6 IS "PD".~~

WA...JH-X JXM

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CC: MR. WICK

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

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TO : Mr. Wick

DATE: August 1, 1966

FROM : M. A. Jones

SUBJECT: CHARLES JOSEPH WHITMAN
ALLEGED SNIPER AT UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS

Captioned individual allegedly was shooting at passers-by from a tower located on the University of Texas campus this afternoon. According to information we have received, Whitman was born on 6-2-41.

A check of Bufiles reflected no information identifiable with Whitman. Likewise, there is no arrest data concerning this individual in the files of the Identification Division. We have two civil prints on a Charles Joseph Whitman, born on 6-24-41 at Lake Worth, Florida: Office of Naval Intelligence (security clearance) dated 1-11-60; and Civil Service Commission (NASA) dated 7-27-65 at Houston, Texas. At the time the latter prints were taken, Whitman was residing at Apartment A, 1001 Shelley Avenue, Austin, Texas. These prints were re-searched through criminal files with negative results.

RECOMMENDATION:

For information.

EX 110

REC-13

1 - Mr. DeLoach
1 - Mr. Wick

CJH:rks (5)

16 AUG 2 1966

CRIME RESEARCH

51 AUG 10 1966

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : MR. DE LOACH *DL*

1 - Mr. DeLoach

1 - Mr. Wick

FROM : S. B. DONAHOE *SBD*

DATE: August 1, 1966

1 - Mr. Rosen

1 - Mr. Sullivan

SUBJECT:

CHARLES JOSEPH WHITMAN - *DEI 11733*
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SAC James Cole of the San Antonio Office called at 4:25 p. m. today relative to the sniper shooting at Austin, Texas. The press has been carrying reports this afternoon regarding a sniper who has been firing from the University of Texas tower and has killed a number of people.

SAC Cole advised that current reports from the Austin Police Department indicated 8 persons had been killed, including one policeman, and approximately 28 persons have been injured by shots from the sniper.

A press report at 3:30 p. m. today indicated the sniper had waved a white flag and had surrendered to the police. SAC Cole advised that according to the Austin Police Department the sniper has been identified as Charles Joseph Whitman, born June 2, 1941, and residing at 1001-A Shelley Street, Austin, Texas. He was listed as a student last year at Texas University. According to the police, Whitman was shot at the time of the apprehension although at this time it is not known who shot him.

SAC Cole will send in a teletype with further developments.

San Antonio files contain no data regarding Whitman. Bureau files are being checked by the Crime Records Division.

SBD:amr
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EX 110

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CRIME RECORDS DIVISION

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FBI WASH DC

FBI SANANTON

2:27 PM CST 8/3/66 URGENT DAW

TO: DIRECTOR

FROM: SAN ANTONIO (62-3239)

CHARLES JOSEPH WHITMAN. INFORMATION CONCERNING.

ATTENTION: ASSISTANT TO THE DIRECTOR DE LOACH.

RE SAN ANTONIO TELS AUGUST ONE, AND TWO, LAST.

TODAY DEPUTY CHIEF R. B. LAWS, AUSTIN, TEXAS, PD.

FURNISHED LIST OF ITEMS BELONGING TO SUBJECT, WHICH LIST
IS SET OUT BELOW:

ONE FIFTEEN ROUND CLIP, . THIRTY CALIBER CARBINE
LOADED WITH HOLLOW POINTS

ONE THIRTY ROUND CLIP, .THIRTY CALIBER CARBINE LOADED
WITH HOLLOW POINTS

ONE THIRTY ROUND CLIP, .THIRTY CALIBER CARBINE LOADED WITH
LEAD NOSE BULLETS

TWO CLIPS, NINE MM LUGER LOADED, ONE CLIP HAS "X" AUG 5 1966
ON BULLET

ONE CLIP .TWENTYFIVE CALIBER LOADED

ONE PAIR LIGHT BROWN LEATHER GLOVES

ONE CARTRIDGE BELT WITH TWENTYTWO ROUNDS OF SIX MM

AMMUNITION
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END PAGE ONE

MR. DELOACH FOR THE DIRECTOR

Mr. Tolson ✓
Mr. DeLoach ✓
Mr. Mohr ✓
Mr. Wick ✓
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Miss Gandy ✓

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ONE SHOULDER HO^LSTER FOR THREE FIVE SEVEN MAGNUM
WITH AMMUNITION HOLDER WITH ELEVEN ROUNDS AMMUNITION
ONE KIRBY SEVEN BY THIRTY FIVE FIELD GLASSES
ONE KNAPSACK AND WEBB BELT AND CANTEEN HOLDER WITH
U. S. COMPASS AND B- D SNAKEBITE KIT IN CANVAS CASE ON BELT
ITEMS IN THE KNAPSACK:
FOUR THIRTY ROUND CLIPS FOR THIRTY CALIBER CARBINE
ONE SMALL PACKAGE OF TOILET TISSUE
ONE MIRACH CAN OPENER
ONE SOAP DISH WITH PILLS AND OTHER ITEMS
ONE "QUEEN NUMBER NINETEEN" POCKET KNIFE
ONE PAIR SUNGLASSES
ONE CAN FOOT POWDER
ONE GILLETTE RAZOR
EIGHTEEN ROUNDS TWELVE GAUGE WINCHESTER BUCKSHOT SHELLS
FOUR THIRTYFIVE REMINGTON CARTRIDGES
FOURTYFOUR ROUNDS SIX MM CARTRIDGES
SIX ROUNDS .THREE FIVE SEVEN MAGNUM CARTRIDGES
SEVEN ROUNDS~~4~~. THIRTY CALIBER CARBINE CARTRIDGES

END PAGE TWO

PAGE THREE

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FIVE EMPTY SIX MM CASES

OTHER ITEMS ON LIST:

CHANNELMASTER FOURTEEN TRANSISTOR AM- FM RADIO (PORTABLES),
BROWN CASE

ROBINSON REMINDER (NOTEBOOK, NO WRITING)

WHITE PLASTIC THREE AND ONE- HALF GALLON WATER JUG (FULL OF
WATER)

RED THREE AND ONE- HALF GALLON PLASTIC GAS JUG, FULL OF
GASOLINE

SALES SLIP FROM DAVIS HARDWARE FOR AUGUST ONE, SIXTYSIX
FOUR C CELL FLASHLIGHT BATTERIES

SEVERAL LENGTHS OF COTTON AND NYLON ROPES (DIFFERENT
LENGTHS)

ONE PLASTIC COMPASS (WONDA- SCOPE)

ONE PAPERMATE BALLPOINT (BLACK)

ONE GUN TECTOR BRAND GREEN RIFLE SCABBARD
HATCHET

NESCO MACHETE WITH GREEN SCABBARD

HERCULES HAMMER

END PAGE THREE

PAGE FOUR

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GREEN AMMUNITION BOX WITH GUN CLEANING EQUIPMENT

ALARM CLOCK, GENE BRAND

CIGARETTE LIGHTER

CANTEEN WITH WATER

RIFLE SCABBARD, GREEN (SEARS)

HUNTING KNIFE (CAMALLUS) WITH BROWN SCABBARD AND

SHARPENING STONE

LARGE KNIFE (RANDALL) WITH BONE HANDLE, NAME OF CHARLES

J. WHITMAN ON BLADE WITH BROWN SCABBARD WITH SHARPENING STONE

LARGE POCKET KNIFE (WOODEN HANDLE), LOCK BLADE

PIPE WRENCH, TEN INCH

PAIR EYEGLASSES, BROWN FRAME AND BROWN CASE

BOX OF KITCHEN MATCHES

TWELVE ASSORTED CANS OF FOOD AND TWO CANS SEGO AND JAR

OF HONEY

ONE CAN CHARCOAL STARTER

WHITE AND GREEN SIX VOLT FLASHLIGHT

ONE SET EAR PLUGS

END PAGE FOUR

PAGE FIVE

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TWO ROLLS TAPE (WHITE ADHESIVE)

APPROXIMATELY ONE FOOT LONG SOLID STEEL BAR

ARMY GREEN RUBBER DUFFLE BAG

GREEN EXTENSION CORD

LENGTH OF CLOTHES LINE WIRE AND YELLOW ELECTRIC WIRE

BREAD - SWEET ROLLS

GARY GLOVES

DEER BAG

FULL BOX SIX MM REMINGTON CARTRIDGES

THREE FULL BOXES THIRTYFIVE REMINGTON CARTRIDGES

TWO FULL BOXES THREE FIVE SEVEN MAGNUM CARTIRDGES

ONE BOX THREE FIVE SEVEN MAGNUM CARTRIDGES WITH SEVEN

CARTRIDGES

TWO FULL BOXES .THIRTY CALIBER CARTRIDGES

ONE BOX WESTERN .TWENTYFIVE CALIBER AUTOMATIC

CARTRIDGES

ONE FULL BOX REMINGTON NINE MM LUGER CARTRIDGES

ONE BOX WITH TWO WESTERN THIRTYFIVE CALIBER CARTRIDGES

CHIEF LAWS ADVISED THAT THE ABOVE LISTED ITEMS WERE
FOUND IN THE MARINE TYPE FOOTLOCKER AND SCATTERED AROUND
END PAGE FIVE

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OBSERVATION DECK OF UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS TOWER AFTER SUBJECT WAS KILLED.

DESCRIPTIONS OF GUNS HAVE PREVIOUSLY BEEN FURNISHED TO BUREAU AND ARE NOT BEING REPEATED HERE.

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION BUREAU, INFORMATION WAS RECEIVED BY SAN ANTONIO OFFICE TODAY THAT APPROXIMATELY TWO WEEKS PREVIOUS, SUBJECT CONTACTED [REDACTED] [REDACTED] IN DEVINE, TEXAS, AND EITHER RETURNED TO [REDACTED] A GUN WHICH WHITMAN HAD BORROWED OR BORROWED A GUN FROM [REDACTED]

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THIS INFORMATION ORALLY FURNISHED TO DPS AND AUSTIN PD AND IS BEING CONFIRMED IN WRITING.

[REDACTED] NOT IDENTIFIED IN SAN ANTONIO FILES.

BUREAU WILL BE KEPT PROMPTLY ADVISED OF FURTHER PERTINENT DEVELOPMENTS..

CORRECTIONS: PAGE TWO LINE ONE WORD THREE SHOULD BE "HOLSTER"
LINE NINETEEN WORD TWO SHOULD BE "ROUNDS"

PAGE THREE LINE THREE WORD SEVEN SHOULD BE "(PORTABLE)"
LINE FIVE WORD FIVE SHOULD BE "(WRITING)"

PAGE FOUR LINE TEN WORD FOUR SHOULD BE "(WOODEN)"

PAGE FIVE LINE SEVEN WORD ONE SHOULD BE "GRAY"

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UPI-144

(SNIPER)

AUSTIN, TEX.--A SNIPER CLIMBED TO THE TOP OF A 27-STORY BUILDING AT THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AND SPRAYED THE CAMPUS WITH RIFLE FIRE

TODAY KILLING SEVEN PERSONS AND INJURING 28. POLICE FINALLY SHOT HIM DEAD.

THE YOUNG, BLOND SNIPER WAS CARRIED OUT OF THE BUILDING SHORTLY BEFORE 2 P.M. AFTER BEING SHOT IN THE NECK BY AUSTIN POLICEMAN ROMERO MARTINEZ.

AUSTIN POLICE IDENTIFIED HIM AS CHARLES J. WHITMAN, 28.

THE DEAD INCLUDED AN AUSTIN POLICEMAN AND A UNIVERSITY PROFESSOR. THE WOUNDED INCLUDED AT LEAST ONE OF THE NEWSMEN WHO COVERED THE STORY FROM THE SCENE AS THE YOUNG, BLOND SNIPER TRADED SHOTS WITH POLICE, POPPING UP FROM TIME TO TIME AT THE TOP OF THE TOWER.

THE DEAD WERE IDENTIFIED AS:

PAUL SONNTAG; BILLY SPEED, AN AUSTIN POLICEMAN; ROBERT BOYER, A TEXAS UNIVERSITY PROFESSOR; ROY SCHMIDT, CLAUDIA RUTT, THOMAS ECKMAN, AND MARK GARCUR.

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WASHINGTON CAPITAL NEWS SERVICE

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URGENT

TO SAC SAN ANTONIO (62-3239)

FROM DIRECTOR FBI

CHARLES JOSEPH ^①WHITMAN, INFORMATION CONCERNING.

RE WFO TEL TODAY. BEING FORWARDED AMSD IS COPY
OF COMPLETE MEDICAL FILE ON WHITMAN MADE AVAILABLE TO WFO
BY BUREAU OF MEDICINE AND SURGERY, DEPARTMENT OF THE
NAVY. INQUIRY BEING MADE AUGUST FIVE TO DETERMINE IF
THIS FILE MAY BE RELEASED BY YOUR OFFICE TO TEXAS STATE
AUTHORITIES. INSURE COPY NOT RELEASED UNTIL PERMISSION
IS OBTAINED TO RELEASE IT.

IN ADDITION, FURNISH BUREAU LIST OF ITEMS FURNISHED
TO TEXAS STATE AUTHORITIES AS MATTER OF COOPERATION.
ALSO ADVISE WHETHER ALL INFORMATION FURNISHED VERBALLY
THUS FAR HAS BEEN CONFIRMED IN WRITING.

749 *[Signature]*
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FBI SANANTON

FBI WASH DC

749PM URGENT 8:4:66 LLD

TO SAN ANTONIO /62-3239/

FROM DIRECTOR 1 P

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CAPTION SHD READ JOSEPH ETC

END GAA

FBI SANANTON

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : The Director

DATE: 8-3-66

FROM : N. P. Callahan

SUBJECT: The Congressional Record

Pages 17623-17629. Congressman Edwards, (D) California, commented on the sniper attack at the University of Texas by Charles J. Whitman. He stated "I want to strongly emphasize, however, that I am disturbed not just with the breakdown of a civil mind which ends in this attack or in the murder of eight young nurses in Chicago, but an increase all over the Nation in violence and brutality. * * * I suggest today that the President immediately appoint a commission to study and report on this problem. A commission, not of police or government experts who deal in the specifics and the statistics of crime, or in the techniques of law enforcement; but of social scientists, psychologists, * * *."

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In the original of a memorandum captioned and dated as above, the Congressional Record for _____ was reviewed and pertinent items were marked for the Director's attention. This form has been prepared in order that portions of a copy of the original memorandum may be clipped, mounted, and placed in appropriate Bureau case on subject matter files.

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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20537

TO:

Date 8-4-66

REC-6

63-11732-2X1

32-1752-3909

Your inquiry 8-2-66

Police Department
700 East 7th Street
Austin, Texas 78700

Re: Offense # M 968150
Charles Joseph Whitman

- ☒ Attached furnished in reply to your inquiry.
☐ Attached furnished in compliance with request from
☐ Only record available attached.
☐ This matter is receiving attention and you will be advised at an early date.
☐ Supplementing FBI Laboratory report dated
☐ Records FBI #
are furnished since there is a possibility that one may pertain to the subject in whom you are interested.
☐ Fingerprint files fail to disclose
☐ Confirming FBI wire of
☐ A wanted notice has not been placed as subject appears to be in custody.
☐ When you no longer desire your notice maintained, please advise.
☐ If you determine subject to be in custody, please advise so that your notice may be canceled.
☐ Subject of your inquiry searched in name indices only. Enclosed record(s) possibly identical. If identical, resubmit request and wanted (or flash) notice will be placed.
☐ If it is determined that the subject of this record is not the individual in whom you are interested, please advise.
☐ Your communication is returned.

The attached fingerprints submitted by your department have been searched through the files of the Identification Division and no records were located. The four names submitted with your letter were searched and no record was located for Kathleen F. Whitman or Paul Bolton Sonntag. Billy Speed may be identical with Billy Paul Speed, fingerprinted by the U. S. Army on 9-25-61, service number RA 18633772. No other record our files. Roy Dell Schmidt probably identical with individual of same name, fingerprinted by your department as an applicant on 7-6-54. No further record our files. Identification Records of Charles Joseph *

- ☐ Enc.
☐ Copy to:

* Whitman and Harry Walchuk are enclosed.

Use as Yellow File Copy. Original mailed from Ident Div. 8-4-66. hs

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John Edgar Hoover
Director

CITY COUNCIL

CITY OF AUSTIN

POLICE DEPARTMENT
700 E. 7TH ST.
TELEPHONE GR 6-3541

FOUNDED BY CONGRESS, REPUBLIC OF TEXAS, 1839

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MAYOR PRO TEM

MRS. EMMA LONG

LOUIS SHANKS

BEN WHITE

August 2, 1966

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C. 20537

IDENTIFICATION MATTERS

Re: Offense # M 968150
Charles Joseph WHITMAN

Dear Sir:

Enclosed are fingerprint cards of victims killed by the
above named subject.

Would appreciate a search of your files, and any informa-
tion forwarded to this Department, at the earliest possible
date. Please return the fingerprint cards to this De-
partment.

Thanking you in advance, I remain,

Yours very truly

R. A. Miles, Chief of Police

By

K. R. Herbert
Major K. R. Herbert
Criminal Investigation Division
Austin Police Department

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KRH: bh

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The following persons victims of University of Texas Sniper---

Chas. Joseph Whitman

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All Deceased 8-1-66

~~Billy~~ ~~SPEED~~ CA-21373 DOB 2-22-43 (Austin Policeman) White male

FPC 13/ O 9 R OOO 15
L 18 U OOI 14

~~Kathleen F~~ ~~WHITMAN~~ CA-21341 DOB 7-12-43

White female

FPC 22/ M 1 U OOO 15
L 1 U OOI 13

~~Paul Bolton~~ ~~SONNTAG~~ CA-20496 DOB 5-2-48

White male

FPC 20/ L 9 U IIM 10
M 1 U IOI 8

~~Roy Dell~~ ~~SCHMIDT~~, Alias CA-9998 DOB 9-18-36

~~Roy Dell~~ ~~SMITH~~

White male

FPC 23/ L 9 U OOO --
L 6 U OOI 18

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R-88 (3-10-55)

DEATH NOTICE

Mr. J. E. Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Date 8-1-66

Attention: IDENTIFICATION DIVISION

Dear Sir:

The following is the record of a death of an individual whose fingerprints are on file in the Identification Division of the FBI:

Name (Last, first, middle) over		Date of Death 8-1-66
Aliases over		Cause of Death Murder ----- Murder -----
Sex <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female	FBI Number Other Number	
Agency Austin PD, Austin, Texas		
Fingerprint Classification		
Contributor		
Name Chas. Ward-570 Ident. Tech.		Address Austin PD, Austin, Texas

The Name, Number, Agency should be exactly the same as they appear on the fingerprint card in the file of the FBI. In all instances when the FBI# is known it should be indicated. When the FBI# is indicated it is not necessary to indicate the fingerprint classification.

This form can be used by a Law Enforcement Agency when it receives accurate and positive information concerning the death of an individual whose fingerprints are in the file of the FBI. As a general rule in those cases where a Law Enforcement Agency is investigating a death the ten inked impressions should be taken on a regular fingerprint card.

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1 - Mr. Gale

AUGUST 2, 1966

PLAIN TEXT

TELETYPE

URGENT

TO SAC, SAN ANTONIO (62-3239)

FROM DIRECTOR, FBI

FA CHARLES JOSEPH ^DWHITMAN, INFORMATION CONCERNING.

RESATEL AUGUST ONE, SIXTYSIX. ^{su!} TEYPC

NO IDENTIFIABLE RECORD NATIONAL STOLEN PROPERTY FILE
FOR WEAPONS LISTED RETEL.

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319 PM EST URGENT 8-6-66 TDB
TO DIRECTOR AND SAN ANTONIO
FROM MIAMI 62-5533 2P

CHARLES JOSEPH WHITMAN. INFORMATION CONCERNING.

ON AUGUST SIX INSTANT, DETECTIVE HARRY WEAVER, LAKE WORTH, FLA. PD, ADVISED SUBJECT'S FATHER REPORTED TO HIM RECEIPT ELEVEN FIFTEEN A. M. THAT DATE OF TELEPHONE CALL IN WHICH HE WAS TOLD "WATCH YOUR EVERY MOVE. YOU'RE NEXT." NO OPERATOR INVOLVED IN CALL AND NO INDICATION ORIGIN OF CALL, ALTHOUGH SUBJECT'S FATHER REPORTED NOISE IN BACKGROUND INDICATED TO HIM POSSIBLY LONG DISTANCE CALL. WEAVER STATED SUBJECT'S FATHER ALSO MENTIONED RECEIPT OF A THREATENING LETTER HE HAD ALREADY TURNED OVER TO THE LAKE WORTH PD, BUT WEAVER WAS UNABLE TO VERIFY THAT PD WAS IN RECEIPT OF SUCH A LETTER AND UNABLE AT TIME TO RECONTACT SUBJECT'S FATHER. HE STATED SUBJECT'S FATHER MENTIONED THAT THE PHONE CALLS AND SYMPATHY LETTERS WERE "NASTY" BUT NOT REALLY THREATENING. WEAVER IS CONTACTING TELEPHONE COMPANY RE COVERAGE PHONE CALLS AND WILL ADVISE IF EXISTENCE THREATENING LETTER IS

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VERIFIED. HE SAID SUBJECT'S FATHER DEPARTING AUGUST SEVEN SIXTYSIX FOR AUSTIN, TEX. UNDER NAME A. SMITH AND LOCAL AUTHORITIES INTEND TO AFFORD SOME COVERAGE OF SUBJECT'S FATHER UNTIL HE DEPARTS.

MIAMI CONTEMPLATES NO ACTION ON BASIS OF ABOVE INFO BUT IF EVIDENCE OF EXTORTION VIOLATION DEVELOPED APPROPRIATE ACTION WILL BE TAKEN.

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SA... ~~FIRZ FIRST WORD OF EVERY LINE MISSED UP~~

~~TH IS IS WASH WE RECIVED OK~~

~~TO SA I WILL CALL YOU BACK ON SEPARTE CONNECTIONN. I THINK~~

~~THERE IS SOMETHING WRONG WITH YOUR MACHINE WE HAD TROUBLE RECXX~~

~~REACHING YOU BEFORE~~

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CC: MR. GALE

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1144 AM EST URGENT 8-9-66 GPS
TO DIRECTOR AND SAN ANTONIO 62-3239
FROM MIAMI 62-5533

CHARLES JOSEPH WHITMAN. INFORMATION CONCERNING.

RE SAN ANTONIO TEL AUGUST FIVE AND MIAMI TEL AUGUST SIX.

RE THREATENING LETTER OF SUBJECT'S FATHER MENTIONED RE MIAMI TEL.
LETTER LOCATED LAKE WORTH P.D. AUGUST EIGHT. AUSA, MIAMI, STATES
LETTER LACKS SUFFICIENT THREAT TO CONSTITUTE EXTORTION AND MATTER
REFERRED POSTAL INSPECTOR, WEST PALM BEACH, FLA.

RE INQUIRY REQUESTED REFERENCED SAN ANTONIO TEL.
COPIES SUBJECT'S BIRTH RECORD AND RECORDS GRADE AND HIGH SCHOOL
OBTAINED AND WILL BE FORWARDED SEPARATE COVER. [REDACTED] ON
VACATION IN HAWAII UNTIL AUGUST EIGHTEEN. UAC, HE WILL BE CONTACTED
AS SOON AS POSSIBLE ON RETURN TO FLA. RECORDS SACRED HEART GRADE SCHOOL,
NEWMAN HIGH SCHOOL
AS LOCATED THERE OR AT CARDINAL [REDACTED] SCHOOL (FORMERLY SAINT ANN'S)
REFLECT NEARLY SOLID A'S AND B'S IN ALL MATTERS INCLUDING CITIZENSHIP.

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DEPARTMENT AND RELIGION, CAL PRIMARY INTELLIGENCE TESTS DEC., FORTYSEVEN, SHOWED I.Q. ONE THREE EIGHT POINT NINE. CAL INTERMEDIATE SEPT., FIFTYTHREE, SHOWED I.Q. ONE TWENTY. CAL ACHIEVEMENT TEST REFLECTED SUBJECT TO BE IN UPPER PERCENTILE. HEALTH RECORD SHOWED EXPERIENCE OF CHICKEN POX, WHOPPING COUGH, AND MEASLES, DATES NOT SHOWN, IMMUNIZATION FOR SMALL POX AND TETANUS AND MEDICAL CORRECTION OF THROAT AND TEETH NOT FURTHER DEFINED, RECORDS CARDINAL NEWMAN HIGH SCHOOL SHOW ABOVE AVERAGE GRADES FIRST TWO YEARS AND AVERAGE GRADES LAST TWO YEARS WITH D'S IN MATH AND ENGLISH. PERSONAL QUALITIES ALL DEFINED AS NORMAL. CAL TEST IN NINETEEN FIFTYSIX SHOWED I.Q. ONE SIXTEEN AND OTIS SHORT FORM FIFTYNINE SHOWED I.Q. ONE TWENTYSEVEN. PERSONALITY RECORD DESCRIBES SUBJECT AS WELL BALANCED, SOCIALLY CONCERNED^{ED} CONSCIENTIOUS, AND SELF RELIANT. GRADE SCHOOL TEACHER AND HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL DESCRIBED SUBJECT AS BETTER BEHAVED AND BETTER STUDENT THAN MOST AND RECALL NO INSTABILITY OR PECULIAR BEHAVIOR PATTERN. BOYHOOD ASSOCIATES RECALLED NOTHING INDICATING CRUELTY, LACK OF STABILITY, OR DIFFERENT BEHAVIOR PATTERN ON PART OF SUBJECT. NEIGHBORS RECALLED SUBJECT^{ECT} AS NORMAL BOY WHO SHOWED NO LACK OF STABILITY, CRUELTY, OR ODD BEHAVIOR

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PATTERNS. ONE NEIGHBOR [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] SAID FAMILY ALWAYS HAD DOG AND OTHER PETS AND SUBJECT'S FONDNESS FOR FAMILY DOG LED FAMILY TO CALL IT SUBJECT'S DOG. THIS DOG WAS TAKEN TO TEXAS BY SUBJECT AND HIS MOTHER WHEN SUBJECT'S PARENTS SEPARATED. THIS NEIGHBOR COMMENTED ON NEWS ITEM THAT SUBJECT'S MOTHER'S FINGERS WERE CRUSHED AND HER ENGAGEMENT RING MUTILATED SHE SAID SUBJECT'S FATHER TRIED TO TAKE RING FROM HIS WIFE BEFORE SHE LEFT HIM AND WAS UNABLE TO GET IT OFF HER FINGER. THE NEIGHBOR VOICED OPINION SUBJECT KNEW ABOUT THAT AND DESTRUCTION OF THE RING AT THE TIME HE KILLED HIS MOTHER MAY HAVE HAD SOME MEANING TO SUBJECT.

REPORT FOLLOWS.

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WA RCS ~~OMMIN-NEED-CORR-OK-PAGE-ONE-LINE-IT-LXX-AFTER-CARDINAL~~

~~I-WILL-GIB-XXF-XX-GIB~~

~~I-WILL-GIVE-YOU-THE-LINE~~

~~AS-LOCATED-THERE-OR-AT-CARDINAL-NEWMAN-HIGH-SCHOOL-(FORMERLY-SAINT-ANN'S)-OK-PL-OK-WASH-RCS~~

FBI WASH DC

SA IJP

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~~GLREOPY~~

CC: MR. GALE

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Date: 8/9/66

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTEL _____
(Priority)TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, MIAMI (9-)UNKNOWN SUBJECT;
CHARLES ADOLPHUS WHITMAN - VICTIM
EXTORTION
(OO: Miami)

Re Miami teletype to Bureau dated 8/6/66 in case captioned "CHARLES JOSEPH WHITMAN, INFORMATION CONCERNING," in which it was stated that subject's father, CHARLES A. WHITMAN, Lake Worth, Fla., had reported to the Lake Worth, Fla. PD receipt of a threatening letter. Victim

On 8/8/66, Detective GEORGE MEYERS, Lake Worth, Fla. PD, advised the above-mentioned letter had been turned over to him by Mr. WHITMAN and he had conducted no investigation. A review of the letter revealed it was derogatory of Mr. WHITMAN's treatment of his family and his manner of doing business and ended, "Hope you get yours. Beware." It was signed, "The neighbors," and postmarked in Lantana, Fla., which is adjacent to Lake Worth.

On 8/8/66, AUSA MICHAEL J. OSMAN, Miami, Fla., advised the above letter lacked sufficient threat to come under the Extortion Statute and he recommended the case be referred to the postal inspectors.

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Postal Inspector, West Palm Beach, Fla.,
advised 8/8/66.

Miami will close case with letter to U. S.
Attorney.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE MIAMI	OFFICE OF ORIGIN SAN ANTONIO	DATE 8/10/66	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 8/2 - 5/66
TITLE OF CASE CHARLES JOSEPH WHITMAN		REPORT MADE BY JOHN R. BARRON	TYPED BY mes
		CHARACTER OF CASE INFORMATION CONCERNING	

=REFERENCES=

San Antonio teletypes to the Bureau 8/2 and 3/66.
Miami teletypes to the Bureau, 8/2 and 3/66.
WFO teletypes to the Bureau, 8/3/66.

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MM T-1, utilized in the details of this report, is the files of the Selective Service Board Number 43, West Palm Beach, Florida, as made available for review by Mrs. MARTHA CLAYTON, Clerk.

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Case has been: Pending over one year ☐ Yes ☐ No; Pending prosecution over six months ☐ Yes ☐ No

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to:

Report of: JOHN R. BARRON
Date: 8/10/66

Office: Miami, Florida

Field Office File No.: 62-5533

Bureau File No.:

Title: CHARLES JOSEPH WHITMAN

Character: INFORMATION CONCERNING

Synopsis:

Subject was born 6/24/41, at Lake Worth, Fla., son of CHARLES A. and MARGARET HODGES WHITMAN. He has brothers, PATRICK, age 22, married and living in Lake Worth, where he works for his father and brother, JOHN, age 17, who moved out of his father's home, several months ago and later paid a court fine rather than have it suspended on condition he return to his father's home. PATRICK was living in Lake Worth and JOHN was visiting in New Jersey at time of instant incident. Subject's mother is Catholic and father showed no interest in religion. Subject attended Catholic Grade and High Schools in Lake Worth area, and possibly attended Georgia Tech, Atlanta, Ga., for short time before entering U.S. Marine Corps., in 1959. While attending the University of Texas, Austin, he married a girl from Needville, Texas. He has not been in Fla. to reside since 1959. Only known employment in Fla., was as a paper carrier, while in High School and some work with father who is plumbing contractor. Acquaintances and relatives of subject and family spoke highly of subject and observed no signs of instability or anything which might have caused suspicion he would do any wrongful act. Some persons advised subject's father, who came from broken home, was overly proud of his success in life and very prone to brag about success and about what he had given his family. They stated he was also very strict with his family and physically punished his wife and children. Subject's mother left his father in 3/66, following argument with husband which caused report of disturbance at their residence through local police and subject came to Fla., and got his mother, returning to Austin, Texas, with her. Brothers of subject's mother, voiced

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opinion that subject's father was "a brute"; he was the cause of instant killings and subject did what he did to punish his father. They felt blame of subject's father should be made generally known and stated on Saturday, before shooting, subject's father cut off financial aid to subject and his mother. Subject's father identified guns used by subject, except for shotgun as it was subject's. He voiced intent to go to Austin, Texas, to confer with authorities. Nothing other than traffic citations located for subject. Juvenile arrest record located in file of Lake Worth PD, for subject's younger brother, JOHN MICHAEL. Credit records favorable re WHITMAN family.

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DETAILS

The following investigation was conducted jointly by SAs JOHN R. BARRON and RICHARD B. KELLOGG at Lake Worth, and West Palm Beach, Florida:

PREDICATION

CHARLES JOSEPH WHITMAN has been identified as the sniper who killed at least thirteen persons and wounded at least thirty-two others from the Observation Deck, University of Texas Tower Building, Austin, Texas, on August 1, 1966. WHITMAN was subsequently killed by Austin Police Department officers.

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BIRTH

The records of the Bureau of Vital Statistics, Palm Beach County, West Palm Beach, Florida, revealed on August 2, 1966, that CHARLES JOSEPH WHITMAN was born in Lake Worth, Florida, June 24, 1941, to CHARLES ADOLPHUS WHITMAN and MARGARET ELIZABETH HODGES WHITMAN.

EDUCATION

On August 2, 1966, Sister [redacted] Cardinal Newman High School, West Palm Beach, and [redacted] of St. Ann's High School, also West Palm Beach, Florida, advised as follows:

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Sister [redacted] stated that [redacted] of St. Ann's High School, she vividly recalled CHARLES JOSEPH WHITMAN as one of her former students. She added that St. Ann's High School ceased to function as a High School in June, 1961.

Sister [redacted] stated that her records reveal that CHARLES JOSEPH WHITMAN attended primary parochial grades at the Church of the Sacred Heart, Lake Worth, Florida. He entered St. Ann's High School, West Palm Beach, on September 1, 1955, and was graduated on May 31, 1959. She added that his birth is reflected as June 24, 1941, at Lake Worth, Florida, and his address during the time he attended St. Ann's High School is reflected as 820 S. "L" Street, Lake Worth, Florida.

Sister [redacted] stated that she recalled WHITMAN as being an excellent student who ranked number seven in a Senior Graduating Class of 72 students. She advised that he participated in many of the school's activities, was popular among the student body and to her knowledge never a disciplinary problem. She advised that his attendance record was normal except for his Junior year, (1957-1958), when he was hospitalized for a ruptured appendix. Sister vaguely recalled that this occurred in February of 1957. She added that she recalled that after the operation, WHITMAN had a relapse and was again confined to the hospital. She advised that WHITMAN aborted his convalescent period and was absent a total of 26 days. She continued that his student medical record reflects normal childhood diseases and there is no history of headaches or head injuries.

Sister [redacted] advised that transcripts of WHITMAN's grades while at St. Ann's High School, were sent to the following on the dates indicated:

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August 7, 1959, to the Commandant, Recruit Training,
Paris Island, South Carolina.

October 24, 1960, to the U.S. Navy. Fleet Office.
New York City, New York, in care of

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July 6, 1961, to R. T. R.-M. C. R. D., 3rd Recruit
Training Battalion, Paris Island, South Carolina.

July 6 and July 22, 1961, to the Registrar, University
of Texas, Austin, Texas.

April 17, 1963, to the Commanding Officer, "H" Company,
Second Battalion, Second Marines, Camp Le Jeune, North Carolina.

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[redacted] Miami Herald, Lake Worth, Florida, advised on August 3, 1966, subject carried papers for him for about two years when subject was 16 or 17 years of age, and added both of subject's brothers, PAT and JOHN WHITMAN, have carried for him in the past. He said he did not know subject's parents at all well. He said subject as well as his brothers were all good workers; dependable and no problem to him. He said subject always appeared to him to be a well-adjusted, stable young man although he may have had a tendency to take criticism a bit too personally. By this, he explained he often left notes for the carriers about customers missed or customer complaints, and he might add to the note a remark that that customer had been missed too much. He recalled once subject's asking him why he made the notes "sound so mean." [redacted] said he did not know why subject considered the notes in that manner since they were no more than what he described above. [redacted] said from what he knew of subject, his recent actions took him completely by surprise.

[redacted] said he had no personal knowledge of subject's family life and no knowledge that subject was ever at odds with his parents. He said he did recall that subject's brother PAT ran away from home once but came back after a very short time when he wrecked his car. He also knows that subject's brother JOHN moved out of the family house several months ago, for reasons unknown to [redacted]. He said he did not know if the cause for either act had anything to do with or in any way affected subject.

INTERVIEWS WITH ACQUAINTANCES

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[redacted] Police Department, upon being interviewed on August 2, 1966, related the following:

[redacted] advised that he has known the WHITMAN family for approximately twelve years. He advised that the WHITMAN family resides in a neighborhood of homes valued in the \$12,000 to \$15,000 price range. He stated that Mr. WHITMAN is a well known Lake Worth businessman who operates his own plumbing company. He continued that both Mr. and Mrs. WHITMAN are well known in the community as being active in civic and church affairs. Mr. WHITMAN, at one time ran for public office as a City Commissioner in the City of Lake Worth. He stated that he recalled that Mrs. WHITMAN held an officer's position in the "Mother's, Teachers Club", at the Church of the Sacred Heart.

[redacted] advised that he has had no contact and has not seen the subject in approximately five years. However, he related that when the subject was a young boy growing up in the community, he had frequent contact with the subject in scouting activities at the Church of the Sacred Heart. He explained that at one time, [redacted] Troop 119, of the Church of the Sacred Heart and that Mr. WHITMAN was the Scoutmaster. He continued that when the subject was approximately 13 years of age, he was successful in obtaining the rank of Eagle Scout. He added that he recalled that the subject was also a candidate for the highest award in scouting in the Catholic Church, but he could not recall whether the subject actually received this award or not. He advised that he would describe the subject as "The Typical All-American Boy."

[redacted] stated that he has had numerous conversations with Mr. WHITMAN, specifically concerning the juvenile activities of JOHN MICHAEL WHITMAN. He explained that JOHN MICHAEL WHITMAN has a juvenile arrest record and that the conversations with the father were centered

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on a solution to this problem. He advised that of the three WHITMAN boys, JOHN MICHAEL WHITMAN was the only one that had had any contact with the police department. He opined that apparently JOHN MICHAEL has rebelled against parental restrictions placed upon him and refused to live in the same house with his father. He further stated that PATRICK WHITMAN, on the other hand, is an exceptionally fine boy who at one time studied for the Priesthood in the Catholic Religion.

He advised that apparently there was an absence of marital bliss in the WHITMAN home. He advised that he recalled that a few months ago, officers of his department went to the WHITMAN home to answer a disturbance. He stated that shortly after this disturbance, the subject's mother, MARGARET WHITMAN and apparently JOHN MICHAEL left Mr. WHITMAN and joined the subject in Austin, Texas. He stated that he recalled that the subject's mother and JOHN MICHAEL returned to the Lake Worth area, remaining in the area only a short time when the mother again joined the subject in Austin, Texas. On the return of the subject's mother, and JOHN MICHAEL, both refused to live in the home with Mr. WHITMAN. He stated that JOHN MICHAEL continues to refuse to live with his father and is believed to have a room somewhere in the city.

[redacted] described the subject's mother as one of the most gracious ladies that he has had the pleasure of knowing and as one whose only interest in life was her family. He advised that in a recalled conversation with the subject's mother, she mentioned that the subject during the Cuban crisis was stationed at the Guantanamo Bay Naval Base, in Cuba.

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On August 3, 1966, [redacted]

[redacted] Police Department, advised there had been some speculation at the Police Department about the possible actions of subject's youngest brother, JOHN WHITMAN in view of recent events. He said JOHN once, in order to get back at his father for something, threw a rock through a large plate glass window. More recently, perhaps five or six months ago, JOHN moved from his father's home and lived elsewhere in Lake Worth with friends. After leaving his father's home, JOHN was fined in Lake Worth Municipal Court for possession of an alcoholic beverage. The judge offered to suspend the fine if JOHN would return to his father's home and JOHN chose to pay the fine rather than abide by the condition. [redacted] said JOHN has also come to the attention of that department as a window peeper and also came to his personal attention when a local doctor advised he had ordered JOHN off of his premises and to stay away from his daughter and JOHN was a bit nasty about it. [redacted] said he believes JOHN is a little "wilder" than the average teen-age boy and although there was no actual reason for it, there was speculation as to whether or not he might blame instant matter on his father and, if so, what he might do. [redacted] said this matter was further complicated by a lack of knowledge as to the whereabouts of JOHN WHITMAN.

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Subsequently on that date, information obtained from subject's father to the effect that JOHN WHITMAN had been visiting in Asbury Park, New Jersey, but had been contacted and was on his way home. was passed on to [redacted] On August 4, 1966, [redacted] advised he had been able to verify that JOHN had been in New Jersey and that he had returned to Lake Worth on the previous night. He said the speculation on the part of that Department was still founded on nothing more than the above information but still, in light of that, and in light of known dislike for Mr. WHITMAN by other relatives in the area, some special precautions were planned. He said they planned to institute heavy police escort around the WHITMAN residence; the church, and the cemetery on the date of subject's and his mother's funeral, which would be expected anyway in view of the national publicity attending the matter, and they are alert for any actual evidence to verify their fears. He said there is a lack of such evidence but they are nevertheless alert to the possibility.

In a recontact with [redacted] on August 5, 1966, he stated that the funeral services conducted at the Church of the Sacred Heart, Lake Worth, Florida, on the morning of August 5, 1966, for the subject and his mother, were conducted without incident. He advised that his department had taken precautions to guard against an incident in anticipation of a large crowd of on-lookers; however, the crowd of on-lookers was small and no problems were encountered. He stated that the funeral services were extensively photographed by press photographers and television networks.

[redacted] advised on August 2, 1966, that his wife is related to subject and his parents and he has known them through his wife, since the early 1950s, at which time subject was about ten years old. He said he is acquainted with subject's father and brothers but hardly knew subject's mother. [redacted] said subject attended Catholic Grade and High Schools in the area and he believed he started in college after graduating from High School but that was for only a short period of time and he entered the Marine Corps. He said he has not seen subject since he entered the Marines as he has been in Texas since leaving the service.

[redacted] recalled subject had a large paper route when he was in High School and worked some in his father's plumbing business but he did not know him to be otherwise employed. He said he had the impression subject was going to college in Texas on some sort of an Officer's Training Program or Government Grant, but he could not be specific about that. While in High School, subject played piano in a teen-age dance band [redacted] and he said he found subject to be a serious, talented, and an apparently well-behaved, well-adjusted boy. He said he saw nothing strange or different about subject and saw no signs of instability and recalled nothing which might have given rise to the suspicion that subject might do what he did.

[redacted] said the only "odd" member of the family, in so far as he was concerned, was subject's father, whom [redacted] admitted he dislikes intensely. He said subject did

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not play long in the teen-age dance band because of some sort of a disagreement with his father about his doing so, but at the same time subject's father was so insistent that subject played the piano and played it well that he kept a whip on the piano to insure that subject practiced. [redacted] said it was his understanding, from conversation he had heard among his wife's family, that subject's father was not the least bit shy about the use of physical force in dealing with his immediate family although he was good to his family in a material way. He said he knows Mr. WHITMAN to be a "monumental egotist" who dominated everyone he could dominate and who spices every conversation with brags about his successes and what he has been able to do for other persons. He said Mr. WHITMAN has been moderately successful but nothing like he would have one believe. He said Mr. Whitman is domineering, inconsiderate, egotistical and overly strict with his family but he thought these are personality traits and did not suggest to him any insanity in the family. He said he can easily see why subject would dislike his father and he believed, in fact, he did dislike him, and he surmised that situation might bear on subject's apparent "breakdown", but he could not see how it could cause subject to turn on persons he apparently loved.

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On August 2, 1966, [redacted]

[redacted] advised [redacted]

[redacted] requested that her identity as a person furnishing information in this matter not be made known to the family or made public [redacted]

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[redacted] has known subject and his father [redacted] and subject's mother [redacted]

[redacted] She said subject was born and raised in Lake Worth, Florida, which is adjacent to West Palm Beach, and has two younger brothers; PATRICK WHITMAN, who is married and resides in Lake Worth where he works with his father, and the youngest brother, JOHN MICHAEL WHITMAN, who is either a Senior in High School or just graduated from High School. She said JOHN MICHAEL WHITMAN had been living at home with his parents but she believed he went with his mother to Austin, Texas, several months ago when she moved there. [redacted] advised, however, that it was her understanding JOHN was not in Austin, Texas, when instant incident occurred but rather was in New Jersey or some place near New Jersey visiting at the time. She said she did not know if he now makes his residence in

Florida or Texas.

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[redacted] said subject's mother was a "good Catholic" and raised her children in the church, but subject's father never showed any real interest in religion. She said subject went to Sacred Heart Grade School in Lake Worth and St. Ann's High School in West Palm Beach. She said subject had a rather large paper route while he was in High School and helped his father some in his father's business but aside from that she did not know him to have been employed in the area. She said following his graduation from High School she seemed to recall that subject enrolled in and possibly attended Georgia Tech., Atlanta, Georgia, for a short time before entering the United States Marine Corps. He was in the Marine Corps for about four years and following that entered school in Texas so she has seen him only briefly since his graduation from High School. She said subject married a girl from Texas whom she has never met. She did not know why subject chose Texas to go to college. [redacted] said she believed that for awhile, at least, the Marine Corps, or some U.S. Government agency was assisting subject in his education in Texas, but she believed that assistance was later dropped, and subject's father gave him some financial aid.

[redacted] described subject as a likeable, intelligent, apparently well-adjusted boy and she recalled nothing which, even now, might have suggested instability on his part or give any insight into why he did what he did. She said she had read in the newspaper that subject had recently visited a psychiatrist in Texas and that is the first she knew he had done so or would have had reason to do so. She said subject's recent actions came as a surprise to all of his various relatives in the Lake Worth area and none of them, to her knowledge, could offer any explanation for what he did.

[redacted] said subject did not come from an ideal family atmosphere and might well have had reason to dislike his father, but she did not see how that could relate to his killing his mother or wife or anyone else. She said subject's father came from a broken home and was raised as an orphan in Florida and around Savannah, Georgia. She believed subject's father

met and married his wife in Georgia, but immediately thereafter came to Florida where he had a plumbing business for a short time in Belle Glade, Florida, before settling where he lived as a youth, in the Lake Worth area, where he has been for about 25 years. Mr. WHITMAN built a rather successful plumbing business in that area and he has been for years overly proud of and quick to point out that having gotten the start in life that he got, he has been a successful man. She said Mr. WHITMAN is not a drinking man nor is he known to have any bad personal habits but he is very egotistical and overbearing and is not considered by his associates to be as successful or important as he believes himself to be. She said probably because of his attitude of self-importance, Mr. WHITMAN also tends to be a domineering person with those persons he believes should be subordinate to him.

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[redacted] said Mr. WHITMAN has displayed the attitude that he wants his children to have the things he did not have and at the same time he has tried to force them to be the success in life he thinks he has been. She said Mr. WHITMAN is both "overly permissive" and "overly strict"; good on the one hand and "downright mean" on the other. She said he was a good provider, although he spoiled it by continual boasting about what he had done for the family or about what he had given or purchased for this person or that. At the same time if he wanted one of his sons to do something or to excel in something or refrain from doing anything which did not agree with the wishes of the boy, he would go to great lengths, including physical pressure, to see that it was done in accordance with his, Mr. WHITMAN's wishes. [redacted] said Mr. WHITMAN was very definitely a strict disciplinarian and not adverse to physically disciplining his children.

She said this relationship with his children also applied to his relationship with his wife and [redacted] that there was open hostility between the parents in the home. [redacted] said she assumed had it not been for the children and for her religion, Mrs. WHITMAN would probably have left her husband long before she did. She said four or five months ago, Mr. and Mrs. WHITMAN apparently had a very

disagreeable difference of opinion, concerning which Mrs. WHITMAN contacted her son in Texas, the subject. She said it was her understanding subject suggested to his mother that she leave Mr. WHITMAN and come to Texas, which she agreed to do, and subject came to Florida and got his mother, at which time there was another large family disagreement.

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[] said subject's younger brother, JOHN MICHAEL WHITMAN, left his father's house about that same time but it was not clear to [] if that occurred prior to Mrs. WHITMAN's leaving or at the same time.

[] said Mrs. WHITMAN had started some legal action to obtain separate maintenance payments from her husband which her husband was fighting because he thought she was asking for far too much. She said she knew Mrs. WHITMAN had been back in Florida on more than one occasion since moving to Texas and she assumed it had to do with these negotiations.

[] said she can see, from the above facts, why subject might have disliked his father to almost any degree but she could not see why that would prompt him to injure anyone else. She said his possession of and proficiency with guns would come to him naturally because his father always displayed a number of guns in racks in his home and Mr. WHITMAN and all of his boys enjoyed and did a lot of hunting and collecting of guns.

In reference to the statement of [] that Mrs. WHITMAN had started some legal action against her husband, the following pertinent information was developed:

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The records of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, Palm Beach County, West Palm Beach, Florida, reviewed on August 2, 1966, failed to reflect the filing as of that date of any action in law or in equity as between subject's parents.

On August 3, 1966, ANDREW F. O'CONNELL, attorney, Harvey Building, West Palm Beach, Florida, advised that he had been working with Mrs. WHITMAN, with and through [redacted] [redacted] West Palm Beach, in an effort to arrive at a property settlement between Mr. and Mrs. WHITMAN which efforts had not been successful or completed at the time of the death of Mrs. WHITMAN. O'CONNELL said he has met Mr. WHITMAN but is not closely associated with him. He has heard Mr. WHITMAN admit, and almost brag, that he had been beating his wife for 20 years and he understood Mr. WHITMAN also was that strict with his sons. He said he was not acquainted with subject, so he knew of nothing other than the above activities of subject's father which might account for the actions of subject.

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INTERVIEWS WITH [REDACTED]

On August 3, 1966, [REDACTED]

and [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] appeared at the Resident Agency, FBI, West Palm Beach, Florida, of their own volition. They said [REDACTED] and were then staying with [REDACTED] West Palm Beach, Florida.

They said they are tired of seeing newspaper and television publicity depicting subject's father as a grieving and blameless father because as far as they are concerned it was subject's father who killed all of the people in Austin, Texas, and subject was only the instrument who pulled the trigger. They voiced the opinion that it was the manner in which subject's father treated his family that was behind instant matter and the belief that subject did what he did in order to punish or get back at his father.

They said they watched subject grow up and described him as a fine boy with talent, intelligence and a good attitude. They said they saw nothing to indicate any lack of stability in subject or to indicate that he might do what he did and they felt certain that the thing that caused him to "break up" and do what he did was his father. They described Mr. WHITMAN as "a brute" and explained that by saying he beat his wife and children not only with his hands but with sticks or other instruments and he orally dealt with other persons in the same manner if he thought he could get away with it. They said if the tumor found in subject's head could have been caused by an old injury, the injury might well have been sustained at the hands of his father. They also pointed out that when subject's mother was pregnant with subject, she had to go to a hospital in Savannah, Georgia, after being hit with a stick of wood by her husband.

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] He said they have since learned that on the Saturday before instant shooting, subject's father had cut off or indicated

an intent to cut off all financial support of his wife and of subject and [redacted] voiced their opinion that that was the thing that finally "set CHARLIE off."

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Both said they firmly believed the above convictions and intended to see to it that everyone who has read or heard about subject's father in the past few days has an opportunity to know him for what he really is. [redacted] said since the Governor of Texas has voiced a desire to know what was behind instant matter, he intended to write the Governor and express his views on the matter.

Concerning subject's father, they stated he was raised for a part of his life in the Bethesda Orphanage in Savannah, Georgia, and it was in Savannah he met and married his wife. Very shortly after their marriage, they moved to Florida where Mr. WHITMAN started a plumbing business, at first for a short time in Belle Glade, Florida, and later in Lake Worth where he has been for about 25 years and where his children were born and raised.

C. A. Whitman

On August 3, 1966, subject's father, CHARLES A. WHITMAN, 820 South "L" Street, Lake Worth, Florida, was interviewed about his knowledge of the weapons utilized by subject. He advised that the .35 caliber rifle, the M-1 carbine and the 6.35 caliber pistol belonged to him and were loaned by him to his son for use in hunting. He said the 6mm rifle with the telescope sight was purchased by subject at Chuck's Gun Shop, Austin, Texas, about June, 1965, at the same time as he, Mr. WHITMAN had purchased a similar gun for hunting. He pointed out that he and his son hunted deer in Texas. He said the Luger and the .357 Magnum hand guns subject had were apparently obtained by subject while he was in the Marine Corps. He said he believed the Luger was picked up by subject at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, but he could not be specific about the other hand gun. He said he knew nothing about the shotgun subject had except that he had read in the newspaper that subject had purchased that in Austin on the day of the shooting.

Mr. WHITMAN advised that he would ultimately like to retrieve all of the guns subject had in his possession and he was told he should take that up with Texas authorities.

when he goes to Texas.

He said he intended to leave for Texas on Sunday, August 7, 1966, after the funerals for his son and his wife, to arrive there on August 8, 1966, in the morning. He said he intended to travel under an assumed name but would be in touch with the Austin Police Department on August 7, 1966, and would like to be met by representatives of that department on his arrival, without publicity. He said his trip to Texas would be for the purpose of talking with authorities there and to pickup the personal effects of his son and his wife.

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Subject's brother, PATRICK WHITMAN was present during this interview. Mr. WHITMAN advised that his son, JOHN, had been visiting in Asbury Park, New Jersey; with whom he did not say, but they had been in contact with him and he was en route home and expected that evening.

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During this interview, PATRICK WHITMAN was sitting in a chair with one foot cocked on the opposite knee and he was not wearing shoes. At one point he asked if he might ask a question and his father's reply, in a raised voice, was "Yes, if you will put your damn feet on the floor and quit playing with your toes." PATRICK stammered momentarily asking the question, explaining he had forgotten what it was he desired to ask, and then asked a question about the disposition of his mother's belongings.

When Mr. WHITMAN spoke of hunting deer on some leased land in Texas with subject, he included that he had paid for the lease of the land, which was arranged for by subject. With reference to the rifles he and subject had purchased at Chuck's Gun Shop in Austin, he pointed out that he had paid for both of them. He displayed with pride framed letters he had received from college authorities in Austin

reflecting on the high degree of academic achievement his son was enjoying there and included in his conversation about his son's education there that he was paying or assisting in the payment of the bills surrounding his education. When discussing the disposition of the guns possessed by subject it was pointed out to Mr. WHITMAN that they would ultimately probably become part of his son's estate. Apparently thinking out loud, Mr. WHITMAN observed that since subject's wife and mother had pre-deceased him, subject's estate would probably go to him, Mr. WHITMAN, unless there was a will, following which he voiced a question, apparently to himself, concerning whether or not his wife had recently changed her will.

MISCELLANEOUS

On August 2, 1966, MM T-1, advised that CHARLES J. WHITMAN, date of birth June 24, 1941, at Lake Worth, Florida, registered under the Selective Service Act, 1948, at Local Board 43, West Palm Beach, Florida, on June 29, 1959. At the time of his registration, WHITMAN indicated that he was residing at 820 South "L" Street, Lake Worth, Florida. He reflected his occupation as student, Georgia Tech, Atlanta, Georgia. He listed MARGARET E. WHITMAN as the person who would always know his whereabouts.

MM T-1 stated that WHITMAN was subsequently assigned Selective Service Number 8-43-41-389, and was classified 1C, on March 11, 1960. This classification was subsequently changed to 4A on January 21, 1965.

MM T-1 further reported that WHITMAN applied for enlistment in the U.S. Marine Corps at West Palm Beach, Florida, on June 27, 1959. He entered the U.S. Marine Corps at Jacksonville, Florida, on July 6, 1959, as CHARLES JOSEPH WHITMAN, and was assigned Marine Service Number 1871634, with the rank of Private.

MM T-1 continued that Form DD-214 (Armed Forces of the United States Report of Transfer and Discharge), reflects

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that WHITMAN was transferred to the Marine Corps Reserve, Marine Corps District, New Orleans, Louisiana, on December 4, 1964, effected at Camp Le Jeune, North Carolina. MM T-1 advised that this form reveals that WHITMAN was honorably discharged at the convenience of the Government as a Private First Class, (E-2), on July 18, 1965. His last duty assignment was indicated as Sub-Unit 1, Headquarters Company, Headquarters Battalion, Second Marine Division, Fleet Marine Force, Camp Le Jeune, North Carolina. This same form, according to MM T-1, identified his military specialty as "0211-Rifleman." His decorations and medals are identified as, 1) good conduct; 2) Marine Corps Expeditionary Medal; 3) Sharpshooter's Rifle Badge. In the space provided for education, it is indicated one and a half years college and schools attended were identified as the U.S. Naval Preparatory School, from June 5, 1961 to August 31, 1961. It is further indicated that WHITMAN attended the East Carolina College, location not indicated, from April 9, 1964 to June 4, 1964, where he pursued a course in "American History from 1865." Other schools and courses reflected for WHITMAN are identified as the Marine Corps Institute where he studied Construction Blueprint Reading and Marine NCO, Introduction to Personnel Administration.

MM T-1 advised that on March 18, 1965, WHITMAN returned to Local Board 43, Selective Service Form "Standby Reserve Questionnaire", which form reflected WHITMAN's address as 1001 Shelley Avenue, Austin, Texas. On this form, WHITMAN indicated that he was separated from active duty in the U.S. Marine Corps on December 4, 1964, and that Mr. and Mrs. C. A. WHITMAN, JR., P.O. Box 1488, Lake Worth, Florida;

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as the persons who would always know his whereabouts. He further reflected that he was employed part time as a bill collector by the Standard Finance Company, 612 Colorado Street, Austin, Texas. He indicated that he was a full time student at the University of Texas, Austin, Texas.

On this same form, WHITMAN set forth his Military Specialty as "Advanced Rifleman." He noted that he was pursuing a course in Architectural Engineering, preparing for a consulting engineering position. He reflected that he

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expected to graduate from the University of Texas in June of 1967.

On this same form, MM T-1 noted that WHITMAN answered, "No", to the question regarding his physical and mental condition that would disqualify him for military service.

MM T-1 noted further that Form DD-889 (Standby Reserve Control Card), reflects that WHITMAN was transferred to the Standby Reserve, U.S. Marine Corps, on January 25, 1965, and was removed from the Standby Reserve, U.S. Marine Corps, on July 18, 1965.

MM T-1, further stated that the subject's brother, PATRICK GRADY WHITMAN, date of birth April 19, 1945, at Lake Worth, Florida, is a registrant under the Selective Service Act, 1948, with Local Board #43, West Palm Beach, Florida.

MM T-1 noted that in the Selective Service file maintained for PATRICK GRADY WHITMAN, it is indicated that in March, 1966, he was residing with his brother, CHARLES JOSEPH WHITMAN, at 1001 Shelley Avenue, Austin, Texas. It is indicated that in April of 1966, the subject's brother reported his address as 1404 West 12th Street, Apartment C, Austin, Texas, and that his brother, CHARLES JOSEPH WHITMAN, in April, 1966, was residing at 906 Jewel Street, Austin.

MM T-1 stated that the subject's brother reflected that on August 14, 1965, he married [redacted] at Lake Worth, Florida. Under employment, MM T-1 noted that the subject's brother indicated that he was employed by the Big Three Welding and Gas Equipment Company, 4927 East 5th Street, Austin, as a truck driver and salesman. Under education, MM T-1 noted that PATRICK GRADY WHITMAN reflected that he had earned 20 hours in University credit, pursuing a course in Business at the University of Texas, Austin.

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CREDIT AND ARREST RECORDS

The records of the Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office, West Palm Beach, Florida, reviewed on August 2, 1966, failed to reveal any record of an arrest of subject, his parents or his brothers.

Records of the Lake Worth, Florida Police Department were made available for review by [redacted] [redacted] previously mentioned, on August 2, 1966, reflected the following traffic citations were issued to the subject:

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September 4, 1957, charged with improper parking.

December 24, 1957, charged with accident.

May 24, 1958, charged with accident.

August 10, 1958, charged with running stop sign.

November 17, 1959, charged with double parking.

The traffic citations relating to the subject, describe the subject in September, 1957, as being 16 years of age; height 5' 2"; 124 pounds; green eyes; hair blond; and home address indicated as 820 South "L" Street, Lake Worth, Florida.

This review failed to reflect a criminal arrest record for the subject or his parents. However, this review revealed that the subject's brother, JOHN MICHAEL WHITMAN, white male, born January 18, 1949; at Lake Worth, Florida, was arrested on July 9, 1966, on a charge of "Physical possession of Alcohol." The subject's brother was arrested on Complaint Number 70865, and was assigned Lake Worth Police Department Arrest Number 6603.

Records further reflected that the following complaints were received at the Lake Worth Police Department, relating to the WHITMAN family:

- 1) Complaint Number 68341, received on March 2, 1966, at 9:30 P.M., concerning a disturbance at 820 South "L" Street,

from a complainant who refused to identify themselves reflects the following:

"Caller stated that the people at the above address were going to kill each other."

Above officers, Officer ARBOUR and Officer HOGAN, report all quiet on their arrival and all quiet when they left.

2) Complaint Number 68342, was received at 11:20 P.M., on March 2, 1966, from CHARLES J. WHITMAN, 1001 Shelley Avenue, Apartment A, Austin, Texas, telephonically advised the Lake Worth Police Department as follows:

"Above complainant called in reference to Complaint Number 68341 (Complaint Number 1). Complainant advised that Mr. CHARLES A. WHITMAN, of 820 South "L" Street, had threatened to do bodily harm to his mother. He advises that he is en route to this city at this time to pickup his mother and requests that if any further disturbances occur at the above location, will notify Mr. PATRICK WHITMAN of 428 Tallulah Drive, Lantana, Florida."

3) Complaint Number 68382, reflects that on March 4, 1966, at 4:05 P.M., Mrs. MARGARET E. WHITMAN, 820 South "L" Street, telephonically advised the Lake Worth Police Department as follows:

"Complainant called Station and requested an officer to go to the above location to standby while she removed her personal effects. Above officers, (Lieutenant SARGENT and Officer ARBOUR) stood by for one hour and fifteen minutes, complainant and husband were arguing, giving each other all kinds of trouble for the entire time, all nonsense. Lieutenant SARGENT orders all persons on this shift not to go to this address while anyone removes personal effects."

Records of the Credit Bureau of the Palm Beaches, West Palm Beach, Florida, were caused to be reviewed on August 3, 1966, revealed the following information:

A credit file is maintained under the name CHARLES JOSEPH WHITMAN since February 6, 1962, based on information telephonically furnished by "Mother". The address for CHARLES JOSEPH WHITMAN at this time, was reflected as Room 707, Goodall Wooten Dormitory, University of Texas, Austin, Texas, WHITMAN is identified as a student pursuing a course under the Naval Scientific Program. His income is reflected as \$250 a month, and a savings account is listed at the First Federal Savings and Loan, Lake Worth, Florida. There was no credit rating reflected for CHARLES JOSEPH WHITMAN, since no credit inquiries were received concerning the subject.

A credit file is reflected as being maintained for C. A. WHITMAN, JR., and wife, MARGARET, residence 820 South "L" Street, Lake Worth, Florida, since August, 1963. This credit file reflects that Mr. WHITMAN is self-employed as a plumbing contractor since 1941. A Federal Tax Lien is noted as being filed on June 25, 1964, in the amount of \$1,588.93, which is indicated as having been satisfied on November 24, 1964. Mr. and Mrs. WHITMAN are indicated as having a favorable credit rating set forth as from "satisfactory to very good".

Credit file further reflect that a file has been maintained for C. A. WHITMAN, JR., and Sons, 820 South "L" Street, Lake Worth, Florida, since November 18, 1964. This credit file reflects that a suit was filed by E. J. BRODBECK and Sons, against C. A. WHITMAN, JR., and Sons, in the Small Claims Court, Palm Beach County, on July 11, 1966, for \$406.20. In this same file, the C. A. WHITMAN, JR., and Sons, are described as being engaged in the plumbing, heating, welding, septic tank installation, and other work. The main plant is located at 416 Northwest 6th Avenue, Boynton Beach, Florida, and that the office is located at the home of Mr. WHITMAN, 820 South "L" Street, Lake Worth. The business is described as having four cars, 21 trucks, and about 28 full time employees.

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In 1963, the net worth was estimated at \$289,463 and the gross annual sales is set forth as \$308,433. The credit rating is indicated as "prompt."

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TITLE OF CASE CHARLES JOSEPH WHITMAN		REPORT MADE BY JOHN R. BARRON	TYPED BY pab
		CHARACTER OF CASE INFORMATION CONCERNING	

REFERENCES:

San Antonio teletype to Bureau 8/5/66;
 Miami teletype to Bureau 8/6/66 and 8/9/66;
 Miami report of SA JOHN R. BARRON dated
 8/10/66.

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LEADS:MIAMIAT LAKE WORTH, FLORIDA

Will on or about August 18, 1966, attempt to
 contact [REDACTED]
 and interview unless advised to the contrary.

APPROVED <i>[Signature]</i>	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	DO NOT WRITE IN SPACES BELOW	
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AT WEST PALM BEACH, FLORIDA

Will contact [REDACTED] Cardinal Newman High School, and attempt to obtain copy of autobiography written by the subject when he entered St. Ann's High School.

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ADMINISTRATIVE:

The Bureau and San Antonio are advised that school records referred to in the details of this report were copied in detail and two copies each were furnished Bureau and San Antonio by separate cover.

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CHARLES JOSEPH WHITMAN

Character:

INFORMATION CONCERNING

Synopsis:

The subject's neighbors recall WHITMAN as a normal boy who showed no lack of stability, cruelty, or odd behavior patterns. Certified copy of subject's birth certificate obtained. Efforts to interview WHITMAN family doctor, Lake Worth, Fla., negative to date. Copies of subject's grade school, and high school records obtained. Grade school teacher as well as high school principal and boyhood chums, advise subject never displayed indications of lack of stability or tendency to be cruel and recall no unusual behavior pattern on subject's part.

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DETAILS:

The following investigation was conducted jointly by Special Agents JOHN R. BARRON and RICHARD B. KELLOGG at Lake Worth, Florida, and West Palm Beach, Florida:

NEIGHBORHOOD

[redacted] advised on August 8, 1966, she has lived in that neighborhood [redacted] and although she was not closely associated with the WHITMAN family, [redacted] she did know them and saw the boys grow up in the neighborhood. She said she was quite shocked to hear that subject had acted as he did in Texas and recalled nothing which would have indicated to her, even now, that he was capable of or likely to do such a thing. She said subject and his brothers all seemed to be good, normal boys and she recalled nothing about subject which might have indicated any lack of stability or any different behavior pattern on his part or show a tendency towards being cruel or mean in any way.

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On that same date, [redacted] advised she has lived in that area [redacted] and she knew him and his family as neighbors, although they were not close. She said probably none of the neighbors were very close to the WHITMANS since Mr. WHITMAN is a quite disagreeable man, but the boys all seemed to be good boys and they were, to her knowledge, well thought of and well liked in the area. She said subject has not been seen much in the area since he left to enter the armed forces, but from her recollection of him, she saw nothing different or unusual in his behavior and nothing to indicate he had a "mean streak" or was in any way other than a normal boy.

[redacted] advised on August 8, 1966, she has resided [redacted] watched the WHITMAN boys grow up, and considers them all "good, normal boys." She said there was nothing unusual about the

behavior or activities of subject while he was living at home that she could see, but added she has not seen too much of him since he left to enter the Marine Corps. She said she could recall nothing which indicated any lack of stability on his part or anything which indicated he derived any pleasure from being mean or cruel to any person or anything. She said there were never many boys around the neighborhood for the WHITMAN boys to play with and they played a lot among themselves or at the nearby school yard. She said they had the normal fights among themselves and the normal temper outbursts of growing boys, but nothing of an abnormal nature.

[redacted] said the WHITMAN's always had a dog and the boys had other pets like rabbits and the like and subject, as well as his brothers, apparently were always very fond of, and kind to his pets. She said, in fact, the current WHITMAN family dog, Lady, was so much subject's pet that it was generally referred to around the house as "Charlie's dog" and when subject came to Florida to get his mother and return with her to Texas, they took Lady with them. [redacted] said since subject did what he did in Austin, Texas, she has given the matter a great deal of thought and has been able to recall nothing which might have indicated he was capable of doing such a thing, or that he was at all likely to do such a thing.

[redacted] said she had read in the newspaper that subject's mother's hand had been crushed and her engagement ring mutilated and the assumption was her hand had been crushed in a door. She said it had come to her attention that just prior to subject's mother leaving her husband, her husband had tried to take off her finger her engagement ring but was unable to accomplish this because the ring would not come off.

[redacted] voiced the opinion that subject might well have known about that incident and although she had no real reason to believe so, she thought that perhaps subject might have destroyed the ring after killing his mother because it had some special meaning to him in view of father's actions. She pointed out that this was all assumption on her part and she had mentioned it only for what it was worth. She said that what she considered one of Mr. WHITMAN's faults was his constant reminders to his family and everyone else that everything his family had, he gave them, and she felt this trait might well have been just as disgusting to members of the family as it was to everyone else.

[redacted] said to the best of her recollection, subject's doctor, until the doctor's death six or eight years ago, was the Doctor BRANTLEY who brought subject into the world. She said after that she believed the family doctor was [redacted] Lake Worth. She said she did not recall that subject was ever sick, except possibly for some childhood diseases, but rather to the contrary, he always appeared to be a healthy and happy young man.

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On August 8, 1966, [redacted]

[redacted] who was previously interviewed in this matter, advised she was quite sure that Doctor GRADY BRANTLEY, Lake Worth, Florida, was subject's doctor from the time he was born until the doctor's death six or seven years ago.

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BIRTH

On August 8, 1966, [redacted] Bureau of Vital Statistics, Palm Beach County, West Palm Beach, Florida, made available a certified copy of subject's birth certificate. She advised that the Doctor GRADY H. BRANTLEY, listed as the attending physician at the birth, is no longer alive and previous efforts by her office on several occasions have failed to reflect the existence of any of his records. She said he apparently turned his practice over to no one and his wife destroyed any records he had.

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ATTEMPT TO LOCATE FAMILY DOCTOR

On August 8, 1966, [redacted] in the office of [redacted]

[redacted] and not expected back in Lake Worth until on or about August 18, 1966. She said she has been employed by the doctor for only a few months and was not acquainted with any member of the WHITMAN family. She said the doctor practices alone and she could identify no one other than [redacted] who might have any knowledge of his association with subject. She said she did not feel she could make any of the doctor's records available without his expressed permission and she did not expect to be in contact with the doctor until his return to Lake Worth.

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EDUCATION

On August 8, 1966, [redacted] Church of the Sacred Heart Grade School, Lake Worth, Florida, advised she has been there only a few years and is not acquainted with subject. She made available the only record of subject's attendance at that school, still maintained at the school, which record summarized his attendance and grades and the results of intelligence and achievement tests given him there. She said other records would have followed subject to St. Ann's High School, West Palm Beach, Florida, and would now be located at Cardinal Newman High School, which school replaced St. Ann's.

[redacted] at Sacred Heart during subject's last few years there, [redacted] is still associated with the school, but is at present a patient at Mercy Hospital, Miami, Florida, and indisposed. She said none of the other sisters or lay teachers at the school were there when subject attended and the only person she could identify who would have taught subject, and whose whereabouts are readily known was a lay teacher, [redacted]

On August 8, 1966, [redacted] above, advised she taught subject [redacted] at Sacred Heart and knew him around the school and church for many years. She said he was very active in the church as well as the school and was different only in that he was better behaved and a better student than most. She said she saw no indications of lack of stability or tendency to be cruel on the part of subject and recalled no unusual behavior pattern on his part and nothing she recalled about him tended to alter the disbelief she experienced on hearing he had done what he did in Texas.

[redacted] said the only person she could think of who is still around and might recall subject from that school is [redacted] who is still at the school.

On August 8, 1966, [redacted] Cardinal Newman High School, West Palm Beach, Florida, who was previously contacted concerning the subject made available for copy all the school records relating to the subject, including grade school records from the Church of the Sacred Heart Grade School, Lake Worth. Upon relinquishing control of the subject's school file, [redacted] removed

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a handwritten document by the subject, which she described as the subject's autobiography, required of all subjects upon entering high school. She stated that the only reason she was not relinquishing this autobiography of the subject's for copy by the FBI, was that Mr. WHITMAN had instructed that it was not to be given to anyone without his permission. [redacted] opined that she was certain that as soon as Mr. WHITMAN had read his son's autobiography he would permit its copying by the FBI. She advised that the subject's father is presently in Austin, Texas and was expected to return to the Lake Worth, Florida area on either Thursday or Friday. [redacted] continued that she has read the subject's autobiography and that the document merely contains a general outline of the subject's life. She stated that it describes where he was born, what his hobbies were, his activities in scouting, and trips that he had made. She added that there was no reflection upon his relationship to his father.

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[redacted] advised that since being previously contacted by the FBI, she has had the opportunity to reflect the identities of the subject's past associates. She advised that she could vividly recall that the subject was a close and constant companion of [redacted] and [redacted]. She continued that newspaper accounts of the WHITMAN funeral identify [redacted] and [redacted].
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She concluded by saying that she had nothing to add to her previous remarks concerning the subject. She advised that she was shocked as everyone else was shocked over the subject's actions in Austin, Texas. She stated that it was unbelievable. She continued that in her opinion the subject was better behaved and a better student than most, and that she said she could recall no instability or peculiar behavior patterns on his part.

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On August 8, 1966. [redacted]

[redacted] employed as [redacted]

[redacted] advised as follows:

[redacted] advised that he was well acquainted with the subject admitting that at one time he and the subject chummed around together. He further stated that he and the subject were members of Boy Scout Troop #119, Church of the Sacred Heart, Lake Worth, Florida. [redacted]

[redacted] described himself as being approximately two or three years older than the subject and could recall that the subject attended Scouting meetings before he was actually admitted for membership. He stated that the subject made his Eagle Scouting award at the age of 12 or 13, which was a surprise to everyone. He continued that both he and the subject attended St. Ann's High School in West Palm Beach, Florida, and that the subject was well known and liked by everyone. [redacted] described the subject as one of the finest friends he had ever had and that he could not recall any signs of instability or peculiar behavior on the part of the subject. He further stated he has had very little contact with the subject in the last eight or nine years and that while he was associating with the subject, there were no signs whatsoever to indicate the subject would do such a crime as occurred in Austin, Texas. He advised that the incident in Austin, Texas, was a complete shock to everyone who ever knew subject.

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together at St. Ann's High School, West Palm Beach. He advised that while he and the subject were in the 4th grade at the Church of the Sacred Heart Parochial School, he and the subject commenced study to become altar boys in the Catholic Church. He stated that he and the subject served Mass together all through the remaining years of their elementary education and all through high school. He stated that they were both active in scouting and became Eagle Scouts at the troop at the Church of the Sacred Heart on the same night.

[redacted] advised that the subject was normal in every respect. He described the subject as being no different than himself elaborating by advising that the subject would never do anything wrong. He continued that the subject's actions in Austin, Texas, had been a complete shock to him and to everyone who had known the subject. He advised that in as many years with his association with the subject, the subject never displayed any signs of instability or as having any peculiar behavior patterns. He described the subject as enjoying hunting and fishing and added that on many occasions he and the subject had hunted with B-B Guns along the Florida canal banks. He further described the subject as liking to ride motorcycles, practicing playing the piano, and spending time in the pool halls shooting games of pocket pool. He stated that recalled that the subject fond of animals, elaborating by stating that the WHITMAN family for years has had a dog in the house.

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[redacted] advised that the subject was well liked and respected while they were in high school and was considered an outstanding intelligent student. He advised that the subject did not participate in varsity high school sports. He added, however, in the subject's senior year, he was the trainer for the high school football team. He stated that he had seen the subject as recently as Christmas, of 1965, when the subject visited the Lake Worth area with his wife. He stated that he recalled that on this occasion, the subject stayed at the home of his parents.

[redacted] advised as close as he was to the subject, he never observed or noted any action, or unusual behavior pattern on the part of the subject that would trigger or provide an answer for his shocking and unexplainable behavior in Austin, Texas.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI Attention: ASSISTANT TO DIRECTOR
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FROM: SAC, WFO (62-9475)

CHARLES JOSEPH WHITMAN
INFORMATION CONCERNING
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Lieutenant Colonel JOSEPH S. SMITH, Executive Officer, Department of Civilian Marksmanship (DCM), United States Army, Washington, D. C., has requested assistance in learning serial number and facts regarding acquisition of 30 caliber M-1 carbine in possession of subject. He advised request being made as United States Army has received numerous inquiries from highly placed people as to the origin of the carbine and whether or not it is government property.

It is to be noted that Colonel SMITH and DCM has assisted the Bureau on numerous occasions in determining the origin and ownership of military weapons.

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AT AUSTIN, TEXAS Will ascertain serial number and facts regarding acquisition of 30 caliber M-1 carbine by WHITMAN.

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TO SAC SAN ANTONIO

FROM DIRECTOR

CHARLES JOSEPH WHITMAN, INFORMATION CONCERNING.

RE DALLAS AIRTEL TO BUREAU AUGUST THIRTYONE LAST AND
SAN ANTONIO TELETYPE SEPTEMBER TWO INSTANT.

EDWARD ANDERSON, DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION, BUREAU OF
DRUG ABUSE CONTROL, WASHINGTON, D. C., STATED THAT

REPORT CAN BE FURNISHED TO LOCAL AUTHORITIES BUT REQUESTS THAT
MATERIAL BE DELETED ON PAGE FIVE STARTING WITH CAPTION

"COOPERATION WITH LOCAL OFFICIALS" AND ALL INFORMATION

THEREAFTER PRIOR TO DISSEMINATION. INASMUCH AS REPORT

IS PRELIMINARY IN NATURE, ANDERSON'S WISHES SHOULD BE COMPLIED
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TO DIRECTOR /62-111732/ AND DALLAS /62-38861/

FROM SAN ANTONIO /62-3239/ /P/ 2P

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CHARLES JOSEPH WHITMAN. INFORMATION CONCERNING,

OO: SAN ANTONIO.

ATTENTION: ASSISTANT TO THE DIRECTOR DE LOACH.

REBUTEL TO DALLAS AND SAN ANTONIO FIVE THIRTYSIX PM, AUGUST THIRTYONE LAST, AND DALLAS AIRTEL TO BUREAU AUGUST THIRTYONE LAST, PERTAINING TO PRELIMINARY REPORT OF AGENT [REDACTED] BUREAU OF DRUG ABUSE CONTROL, DALLAS, TEXAS DATED AUGUST TEN LAST.

BUREAU WILL NOTE THAT RE DALLAS AIRTEL INDICATES THAT COPY OF [REDACTED] REPORT FURNISHED TO [REDACTED] TEXAS STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY, AUSTIN, TEXAS

THIS COPY OF [REDACTED] REPORT UNDOUBTEDLY WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE TO TEXAS DPS.

RE BUTEL INSTRUCTED SAN ANTONIO TO DELETE ON PAGE FIVE OF [REDACTED] REPORT CAPTION "COOPERATION WITH LOCAL OFFICIALS" AND ALL INFORMATION THEREAFTER, PRIOR TO DISSEMINATION TO
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MR. DELOACH FOR THE DIRECTOR

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TO AVOID APPEARANCE BUREAU POSSIBLY WITHHOLDING
INFORMATION FROM LOCAL AUTHORITIES, SAN ANTONIO
RECOMMENDS THAT DPS AND AUSTIN PD BE REFERRER TO
TEXAS STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY, AUSTIN, FOR COPY OF
[REDACTED] REPORT.

BUREAU ADVICE REQUESTED.

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CC: MR. GALE

The Attorney General

September 9, 1966

Director, FBI

1 - Mr. DeLoach
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1 - Mr. Cleveland

CHARLES JOSEPH WHITMAN
SNIPER - UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS
AUSTIN, TEXAS
AUGUST 1, 1966

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This information has been furnished to the Honorable Marvin Watson at the White House.

September 9, 1966

BY LIAISON

1 - Mr. DeLoach
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Sincerely yours,

The Attorney General

September 13, 1966

Director, FBI

HOMER GARRISON, JR.
DIRECTOR OF TEXAS DEPARTMENT
OF PUBLIC SAFETY
AUSTIN, TEXAS

Charles J. Whitman

Enclosed is a copy of a communication
I received from captioned individual which I thought
would be of interest to you.

Enclosure

1 - The Deputy Attorney General - Enclosure

1 - Mr. Wick - Enclosure
1 - Mr. DeLoach - Enclosure

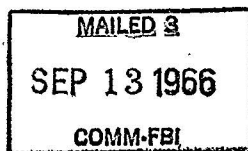
NOTE: We have had prior cordial correspondence with Colonel
Garrison and he is on the mailing list to receive the FBI Law
Enforcement Bulletin. He has lectured at the FBI National
Academy in the past.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. DeLoach

DATE: August 2, 1966

FROM : J. H. Gale

SUBJECT: CHARLES JOSEPH WHITMAN
SNIPER - UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS
AUSTIN, TEXAS
AUGUST 1, 1966
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The Director instructed at 9:30 p.m., August 1, 1966, that the San Antonio Office, through its Austin Resident Agency, extend every assistance to the local authorities in Austin in captioned matter. He said the President was very concerned in this matter. He instructed a memorandum outlining our offer of assistance and setting forth details of this matter be on his desk August 2, 1966, so that he can advise the President.

Information from SAC, San Antonio, and press indicate Paul Bolton Sonntag, grandson of Paul Bolton, News Director of KTBC Television Station at Austin (formerly owned by President Johnson) and personal friend of the Johnson's, was killed by the sniper and Scott Carpenter, son of Mrs. Elizabeth Carpenter, Press Secretary to Mrs. Johnson, narrowly missed being shot by the sniper.

BACKGROUND

Information furnished by the SAC, San Antonio and also carried in press, reveals that on August 1, 1966, Charles Joseph Whitman, a former U. S. Marine and student at the University of Texas, took a position on the Observation Deck of the University of Texas Tower. Prior to this, he reportedly had killed his wife and mother and had also killed

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Memorandum to Mr. DeLoach
Re: Charles Joseph Whitman

three others and wounded three before entering the Observation Deck. At 11:48 a.m., while on the Deck, he began sniping indiscriminately at persons in the area. He killed a total of 15 individuals and wounded 32 others. At 1:24 p.m. he was shot and killed by Sergeant Ramiro Martinez and Patrolman Houston McCoy of the Austin Police Department. No motive for Whitman's conduct has been determined. However, Whitman reportedly left a note signed at 3:00 a.m., August 1, 1966, stating he killed his wife and mother because he had been having severe headaches and undergoing psychiatric treatment.

ACTION BY SAN ANTONIO OFFICE

The SAC, San Antonio, states that R. A. Miles, Chief of Police, Austin, Texas, Police Department, was offered every Bureau assistance possible in this matter including the services of the Laboratory, Identification Division and coverage of out-of-state leads. No requests, however, have been received for Bureau assistance as of this time.

INFORMATION CONCERNING CHARLES JOSEPH WHITMAN

The following information was obtained from the University of Texas and credit records, Austin, Texas.

Whitman was born June 24, 1941, at Lake Worth, Palm Beach, Florida. He attended grade and high schools in Florida. He reportedly served in the U. S. Marine Corps from July, 1959, to December, 1964, and was honorably discharged with the rank of Private First Class. While in the military service, he was tried by a Summary Court Martial for loaning money for profit and gambling. Disposition of this charge is not known.

He is a former Eagle Scout and served as a Scoutmaster in 1965 for Troop 5, First Methodist Church, Austin, Texas, but had to give up this position because of the work load.

Whitman was currently attending the College of Engineering at the University of Texas. He was a student in good standing, regarded as a brilliant individual and reportedly kept a diary.

Memorandum to Mr. DeLoach
Re: Charles Joseph Whitman

At the time Whitman was killed, he was found to be in possession of a footlocker "crammed" with food, water and gasoline, and the following firearms:

- ✓ One Remington rifle, caliber 6 millimeter, with four power telescopic sight ✓
- ✓ One Remington rifle, caliber .35 ✓
- ✓ One U. S. Carbine, caliber .30. ✓
- ✓ One automatic shotgun, 12 gauge, with a sawed off barrel and stock ✓
- ✓ One Smith & Wesson Magnum revolver, caliber .357 ✓
- ✓ One Luger pistol, caliber 9 millimeter ✓
- ✓ One automatic pistol, caliber 6.35 millimeter ✓

The serial numbers of the aforementioned weapons were checked through the National Stolen Property File and no record was located concerning them.

Records of the Identification Division of the FBI contain two civil fingerprint cards concerning Whitman, both are applicant-type cards. These cards were searched through the criminal files and no arrest record was located. Bureau files contain no other information identifiable with him.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
ATTENTION; ASSISTANT TO THE DIRECTOR DE LOACH
FROM; SAN ANTONIO (62-3239)

CHARLES JOSEPH WHITMAN. INFORMATION CONCERNING
RE PRIOR TELETYPES AUGUST ONE AND TWO, SIXTYSIX.

THE FOLLOWING NOTE WAS FOUND AT SUBJECT'S APARTMENT
DATED "SUNDAY, JULY THIRTYONE, SIXTYSIX, SIX FORTYFIVE
P.M."

"I DON'T QUITE UNDERSTAND WHAT IT IS THAT COMPELS
ME TO TYPE THIS LETTER. PERHAPS IT IS TO LEAVE SOME
VAGUE REASON FOR THE ACTIONS I HAVE RECENTLY PERFORMED.
I DON'T REALLY UNDERSTAND MYSELF THESE DAYS. I AM
SUPPOSED TO BE AN AVERAGE, REASONABLE, AND INTELLIGENT
YOUNG MAN. HOWEVER, LATELY (I CAN'T RECALL WHEN IT STARTED)
I HAVE BEEN A VICTIM OF MANY UNUSUAL AND IRRATIONAL THOUGHTS.
THESE THOUGHTS CONSTANTLY RECUR, AND IT REQUIRES A TREMENDOUS
MENTAL EFFORT TO CONCENTRATE ON USEFUL AND PROGRESSIVE TASKS.
IN MARCH WHEN MY PARENTS MADE A PHYSICAL BREAK I NOTICED A
GREAT DEAL OF STRESS. I CONSULTED A DR. COCHRUM AT THE
UNIVERSITY HEALTH CENTER AND ASKED HIM TO RECOMMEND SOMEONE
THAT I COULD CONSULT WITH ABOUT SOME PSYCHIATRIC DISORDERS
I FELT I HAD. I TALKED WITH A DR. ONCE ABOUT TWO HOURS
AND TRIED TO CONVEY TO HIM MY FEARS THAT I FELT COME OVER-

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WHELMINGLY VIOLENT IMPULSES. AFTER ONE SESSION I NEVER SAW THE DOCTOR AGAIN, AND SINCE THEN I HAVE BEEN FIGHTING MY MENTAL TURMOIL ALONE AND SEEMINGLY TO NO AVAIL. AFTER MY DEATH I WISH THAT AN AUTOPSY WOULD BE PERFORMED ON ME TO SEE IF THERE IS ANY VISABLE PHYSICAL DISORDER. I HAVE HAD SOME TREMENDOUS HEADACHES IN THE PAST AND HAVE CONSUMED TWO LARGE BOTTLES OF EXCEDRIN IN THE PAST THREE MONTHS.

IT WAS AFTER MUCH THOUGHT THAT I DECIDED TO KILL MY WIFE KATHY TONIGHT AFTER I PICK HER UP FROM WORK AT THE TELEPHONE COMPANY. I LOVE HER DEARLY AND SHE HAS BEEN AS FINE A WIFE TO ME AS ANY MAN COULD EVER HOPE TO HAVE. I CANNOT RATIONALLY PINPOINT ANY SPECIFIC REASON FOR DOING THIS. I DON'T KNOW WHETHER IT IS SELFISHNESS OR IF I DON'T WANT HER TO HAVE TO ~~FACE~~ THE EMBARRASSMENT MY ACTIONS WOULD SURELY CAUSE HER. AT THIS TIME THE PROMINENT REASON IN MY MIND IS THAT I DO NOT CONSIDER THIS WORLD WORTH LIVING IN AND AM PREPARED TO DIE AND I DO NOT WANT TO LEAVE HER TO SUFFER ALONE IN IT. I INTEND TO KILL HER AS PAINLESSLY AS POSSIBLE.

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"SIMILAR REASONS PROVOKED ME TO TAKE MY MOTHER'S LIFE ALSO. I DON'T THINK THE POOR WOMAN HAS EVER ENJOYED LIFE AS SHE IS ENTITLED TO. SHE WAS A SIMPLE YOUNG WOMAN WHO MARRIED A VERY POSSESSIVE AND DOMINATING MAN. ALL MY LIFE AS A BOY UNTIL I RAN AWAY FROM HOME TO JOIN THE MARINE CORPS." "FRIENDS INTERUPPED."

NOTATION ON MARGIN "EIGHT DASH ONE DASH SIXTYSIX MON. THREE AM BOTH DEAD"

NOTE CONTINUES AS FOLLOWS: "I WAS A WITNESS TO HER BEING BEAT AT LEAST ONE A MONTH. THEN WHEN SHE TOOK ENOUGH MY FATHER WANTED TO FIGHT TO KEEP HER BELOW HER USUAL STANDARD OF LIVING.

I IMAGINE IT APPEARS THAT I BRUTALLY KILLED BOTH OF MY LOVED ONES. I WAS ONLY TRYING TO DO A QUICK THOROUGH JOB. IF MY LIFE INSURANCE POLICY IS VALID, PLEASE SEE THAT ALL THE WORTHLESS CHECKS I WROTE THIS WEEKEND ARE MADE GOOD. PLEASE PAY OFF ALL MY DEBTS. I AM TWENTYFIVE YEARS OLD AND HAVE NEVER BEEN FINANCIALLY INDEPENDENT. DONATE THE REST ANONYMOUSLY TO A MENTAL HEALTH FOUNDATION. MAYBE RESEARCH CAN PREVENT FURTHER TRAGEDIES OF THIS TYPE. CHARLES J. WHITMAN."

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"GIVE OUR DOG TO MY IN-LAWS. TELL THEM KATHY LOVED SCHOCIE VERY MUCH. R. W. LEISSNER, NEEDVILLE, TEXAS IF YOU CAN FIND IT IN YOURSELF TO GRANT MY LAST WISH CREMATE ME AFTER THE AUTOPSY."

THE ABOVE NOTE WAS FOUND IN SUBJECT'S APARTMENT AT NINE ZERO THREE JEWEL STREET. THE FOLLOWING NOTE WAS ALSO FOUND IN SUBJECT'S APARTMENT.

UP IN THE RIGHTHAND CORNER "MONDAY EIGHT DASH ONE DASH SIXTYSIX TWELVE THIRTY'AM" IN LEFTHAND CORNER "TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN, I HAVE JUST TAKEN MY MOTHER'S LIFE. I AM VERY UPSET OVER HAVING DONE IT. HOWEVER I FEEL THAT IF THERE IS A HEAVEN SHE IS DEFINITELY THERE NOW. AND IF THERE IS NO LIFE AFTER, I HAVE RELEAVED HER OF HER SUFFERING HERE ON EARTH. THE INTENSE HATRED I FEEL FOR MY FATHER IS BEYOND DESCRIPTION. MY MOTHER GAVE THAT MAN THE TWENTYFIVE BEST YEARS OF HER LIFE AND BECAUSE SHE FINALLY TOOK ENOUGH OF HIS BEATINGS, HUMILIATION AND DEGRADATION AND TRIBULATIONS THAT I AM SURE NO ONE BUT SHE AND HE WILL EVER KNOW DASH TO LEAVE HIM. HE HAS CHOSEN TO TREAT HER LIKE A SLUT THAT YOU WOULD BED

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"DOWN WITH, ACCEPT HER FAVORS AND THEN THROW A PITANCE IN RETURN.

"I AM TRULY SORRY THAT THIS IS THE ONLY WAY I COULD SEE TO RELIEVE HER SUFFERING, BUT I THINK IT WAS BEST.

"LET THERE BE NO DOUBT IN YOUR MIND I LOVED THAT WOMAN WITH ALL MY HEART.

"IF THERE EXISTS A GOD LET HIM UNDERSTAND MY ACTIONS AND JUDGE ME ACCORDINGLY. CHARLES J. WHITMAN."

THE FOLLOWING NOTE WAS FOUND ATTACHED TO THE DOOR OF SUBJECT'S MOTHER'S APARTMENT AT PENTHOUSE APARTMENTS:

"ROY, I DON'T HAVE TO BE TO WORK TODAY AND I WAS UP LATE LAST NIGHT. I WOULD LIKE TO GET SOME REST. PLEASE DO NOT DISTURB ME. THANK YOU MRS. WHITMAN."

ABOVE NOTES MADE AVAILABLE BY CHIEF OF POLICE R. A. MILES, AUSTIN, TEXAS PD, TODAY AND WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE TO THE PRESS TODAY.

BUREAU WILL BE KEPT ADVISED OF PERTINENT DEVELOPMENTS AS THEY OCCUR.

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~~"FACE" PAGE FOUR LINE FIVE WORD SEVEN SHOULD BE "SUBJECT'S"~~

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cc: MR. WICK

September 13, 1966

63-11732

Colonel Homer Garrison, Jr.
Director
Texas Department of Public Safety
Post Office Box 4087
Austin, Texas 78751

Dear Colonel Garrison:

I received your letter on September 12th regarding the assistance rendered by this Bureau in connection with the tragic occurrence at the University of Texas, and I want to thank you for your thoughtfulness in writing as well as for your kind sentiments.

It was certainly good of you to comment as you did, and I am glad we were of help. It is a pleasure to extend our cooperation in matters of mutual interest, and you may be assured Mr. Cole joins me in expressing appreciation for your favorable remarks.

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COMM-FBI

Sincerely yours,
J. Edgar Hoover

1 - San Antonio (Sent with letter to J. Myers Cole of same date)

NOTE: We have had prior cordial correspondence with Colonel Garrison and he is on the mailing list to receive the FBI Law Enforcement Bulletin. He has lectured at the FBI National Academy in the past.

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August 8, 1966

Honorable J. Edgar Hoover
Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

My dear Director:

On the night of July 31, 1966, and during the early morning hours of August 1, 1966, Charles Joseph Whitman took the lives of his mother and his wife. Later on the same day, from the Observation Deck of the University of Texas Tower, he took the lives of 14 people and wounded an additional 31 people. As a result of this tragic crime, the Department of Public Safety through its Intelligence Section was instructed to make a comprehensive and detailed investigation into the actions of Charles Joseph Whitman, resulting in numerous interviews having to be made throughout the United States.

This report could not have been completed with such accuracy, efficiency and dispatch without the excellent assistance of your associates throughout the United States. Our liaison here was with Special Agent in Charge J. Myers Cole. We wish to express our deep appreciation to him, those under his command and his associates throughout the country, who worked so wonderfully. Of course, this is not the first instance in which J. Myers Cole has worked so closely with us in matters of mutual concern. Please express our grateful appreciation to him and the others who assisted in this endeavor.

With very kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

Homer Garrison Jr.
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TO DIRECTOR, ATTN: ASSISTANT TO THE DIRECTOR DE LOACH.
FROM SAN ANTONIO (62-3239)

CHARLES JOSEPH WHITMAN, INFORMATION CONCERNING.

Reference teletype
RE SAN ANTONIO TEL TO DIRECTOR TODAY.

FROM INCOMPLETE DETAILS CURRENTLY AVAILABLE LT. MERLE WELLS,
HOMICIDE DIVISION, AUSTIN POLICE DEPARTMENT, ADVISES THAT
FOURTEEN INDIVIDUALS ARE DEAD AND THIRTYTHREE PERSONS INJURED
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✓ ONE REMINGTON MODEL SEVEN HUNDRED, SIX ^{millimeter} BOLT ACTION,
SERIAL NUMBER ONE FOUR NINE ZERO THREE SEVEN, WITH FOUR POWER LEUPOLD
SCOPE.

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ONE SEARS-ROEBUCK TWELVE GAUGE AUTOMATIC SHOTGUN, TWO AND
THREE FOURTHS INCH CHAMBER, SAWED-OFF BARREL AND SAWED-OFF STOCK;
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MR. DELOACH FOR THE DIRECTOR

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Mr. DeLoach
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THIRTYFIVE CALIBER REMINGTON MODEL ONE FOUR ONE, SLIDE TOP ACTION RIFLE, SERIAL NUMBER ONE EIGHT FIVE NINE.

ONE U. S. CARBINE, CALIBER THIRTY M-ONE, MADE BY UNIVERSAL HIALEAH, FLORIDA, SERIAL NUMBER SIX NINE SEVEN NINE NINE.

ONE REVOLVER, THREE FIFTYSEVEN SMITH-WESSON MAGNUM, FOUR AND ONE HALF INCH BARREL, NICKEL-PLATED, MODEL NINETEEN, SERIAL NUMBER K THREE NINE ONE FIVE EIGHT THREE.

ONE NINE ^{millimeter} LUGER, SERIAL NUMBER TWO ZERO ONE ZERO.

ONE AUTOMATIC PISTOL, SIX POINT THREE FIVE CALIBER, GALESI-BRESCIA, SERIAL NUMBER THREE SIX SIX EIGHT SIX NINE.

SUBJECT REPORTEDLY CURRENTLY ENROLLED IN THE COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING AT THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS, IN GOOD STANDING.

SUBJECT CONSIDERED BRILLIANT INDIVIDUAL AND WAS FORMERLY AN EAGLE SCOUT. SUBJECT REPORTEDLY SERVED AS SCOUTMASTER IN NINETEEN SIXTY-FIVE FOR TROOP FIVE, FIRST METHODIST CHURCH, AUSTIN, TEXAS, BUT HAD TO GIVE UP POSITION BECAUSE OF WORK LOAD. SUBJECT REPORTEDLY KEPT A DIARY.

GRAVES LANDRUM, VICE CHANCELLOR, UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS, ADVISED SUBJECTS APPLICATION FOR EMPLOYMENT REFLECTS THAT ON JUNE TWO, ONE NINE SIX SIX, HE WAS HIRED AS ^{laboratory} LAB RESEARCH ASSISTANT, HIGHWAY RESEARCH LABORATORY, AT THE UNIVERSITY. APPLICATION LISTS ADDRESS
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NINE ZERO SIX JEWELL, AUSTIN, TEXAS. DATE OF BIRTH JUNE TWO FOUR, ONE NINE FOUR ONE, LAKE WORTH, PALM BEACH, FLORIDA. HEIGHT SIX FOOT, WEIGHT ONE NINE EIGHT POUNDS. SERVED U. S. MARINE CORP, JULY SIX, ONE NINE FIVE NINE TO DECEMBER FOUR, ONE NINE SIX FOUR. RECEIVED HONORABLE DISCHARGE. RANK LISTED AS ~~PFC~~^{private first class} (E-THREE), RECEIVED SUMMARY COURT MARTIAL WHILE IN SERVICE FOR LOANING MONEY FOR PROFIT AND GAMBLING. ATTENDED SACRED HEART GRADE SCHOOL, LAKE WORTH, PALM BEACH, FLORIDA, AND ST ANNS HIGH SCHOOL, WEST PALM BEACH, FLORIDA. APPLICATION REFLECTS SUBJECT AT UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS NINETEEN SIXTYONE DASH SIXTY-THREE AND FROM ONE NINE SIX FIVE TO PRESENT. LANDRUM COULD NOT EXPLAIN DISCREPANCIES IN DATES OF MARINE CORP SERVICE WITH DATES OF ATTENDANCE AT UNIVERSITY. MARINE CORP SERIAL NUMBER ONE EIGHT SEVEN ONE SIX THREE FOUR.

CREDIT RECORDS, AUSTIN , TEXAS, REFLECT SUBJECTS FATHER AS C. A. WHITMAN, THREE TWO ZERO SOUTH L STREET, LAKE WORTH, FLORIDA. SUBJECTS WIFE SHOWN AS KATHLEEN WHITMAN, TEACHER, LANIER HIGH SCHOOL, AUSTIN, TEXAS, FOR SCHOOL YEAR BEGINNING SEPTEMBER ONE NINE SIX FIVE. SUBJECTS PREVIOUS EMPLOYMENT INCLUDES EMPLOYMENT IN JUNE ONE NINE SIX FIVE FOR ~~NASA~~^{National Aeronautics and Space Administration}, ONE NINE SIX ONE DASH SIX TWO, GOODALL WOOTEN DORMITORY, UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS, STANDARD FINANCE (NO DATE LISTED), APRIL ONE NINE SIX FIVE TO JUNE ONE NINE SIX FIVE, AUSTIN NATIONAL
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BANK. CREDIT RECORDS INDICATE APPARENTLY ATTENDED UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS ON A NAVAL SCHOLARSHIP FROM ONE NINE SIX ONE TO ONE NINE SIX FIVE AND APPARENTLY RECEIVED TWO HUNDRED FORTY DOLLARS PER MONTH FROM THE U. S. MARINES.

BUREAU REQUESTED TO SEARCH ABOVE DESCRIBED GUNS THROUGH NATIONAL STOLEN PROPERTY FILE FOR ANY RECORD OF THESE GUNS.

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cc: MR. WICK & Mr Rosen

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CHARLES JOSEPH WHITMAN. INFORMATION CONCERNING.

RE MIAMI TELETYPE THIS DATE.

PRELIMINARY CONTACT WITH [REDACTED] REGISTRAR'S
OFFICE, GA. INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, ATLANTA, GA., REVEALED NO
INFORMATION IDENTIFIABLE WITH SUBJECT.

ADDITIONAL INVESTIGATION TO BE CONDUCTED A.M. OF AUGUST THREE
NEXT.

ATLANTA WILL SUTEL RESULTS.

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MR. DELOACH FOR THE DIRECTOR

cc. Mr. Gale

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FBI MIAMI

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TO DIRECTOR /ATTN: ASSISTANT TO THE DIRECTOR DELOACH/ AND ATLANTA
AND CHARLOTTE AND SAN ANTONIO
FROM MIAMI /62- 4P

CHARLES JOSEPH WHITMAN. INFORMATION CONCERNING

teletype 1966
RE SAN ANTONIO TEL TO BUREAU AND MIAMI, AUGUST TWO, SIXTYSIX.
CHECK OF RECORDS AND INTERVIEWS WITH RELATIVES AND
ASSOCIATES SUBJECT AND FAMILY REVEAL FOLLOWING: SUBJECT
BORN JUNE TWENTYFOUR, FORTYONE, LAKE WORTH, ^{Florida}FLA. TO CHARLES
ADOLPHUS WHITMAN AND MARGARET ELIZABETH HODGES WHITMAN. HE
HAS TWO YOUNGER BROTHERS, PATRICK GRADY WHITMAN, AGE TWENTYTWO,
MARRIED, AND RESIDING LAKE WORTH, ^{Florida}FLA., AND JOHN MICHAEL WHITMAN,
AGE SEVENTEEN, WHO WENT TO AUSTIN, TEXAS, WITH HIS MOTHER
MARCH, SIXTYSIX. SUBJECT'S MOTHER IS CATHOLIC AND FATHER
SHOWED NO RELIGIOUS PREFERENCE. SUBJECT ATTENDED CHURCH OF
THE SACRED HEART GRADE SCHOOL, LAKE WORTH, ^{Florida}FLA., AND ST.
ANN'S HIGH SCHOOL, WEST PALM BEACH, GRADUATING MAY, FIFTYNINE.
WHEN REGISTERING FOR SELECTIVE SERVICE, JUNE, FIFTYNINE,
HE SHOWED OCCUPATION STUDENT, GEORGIA TECH, ATLANTA,
GEORGIA. ALSO INDICATED USMC SEPARATION PAPERS, ONE AND

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ONE HALF YEARS EDUCATION GEORGIA TECH, PLUS EDUCATION EAST
CAROLINA COLLEGE, APRIL, ¹⁹⁶⁴SIXTYFOUR TO JUNE, ¹⁹⁶⁴SIXTYFOUR, AND
U. S. NAVY PREPARATORY SCHOOL, JUNE, ¹⁹⁶¹SIXTYONE TO AUGUST,
¹⁹⁶¹SIXTYONE. NOTE SUBJECT IN ^{U.S. Marine Corps}USMC ¹⁹⁵⁹JULY SIX, FIFTYNINE UNTIL
TRANSFER TO RESERVE DEC. FOUR, ¹⁹⁶⁵SIXTYFOUR, AND HONORABLE
DISCHARGE JULY EIGHTEEN, ¹⁹⁶⁵SIXTYFIVE. ^{Marine Corps Serial Number}MCSN ONE EIGHT SEVEN
ONE SIX THREE FOUR. ONLY KNOWN EMPLOYMENTS IN ^{Florida}FLA. AS NEWSPAPER
CARRIER WHILE IN HIGH SCHOOL AND SOME WORK WITH FATHER. NO
ARREST RECORD LAKE WORTH, ^{Florida Police Department}FLA. P.-D. OR PALM BEACH COUNTY
SHERIFF'S OFFICE. ^{Police Department}SO. FIVE TRAFFIC CITATIONS NOTED, LAKE WORTH P.-D.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] LAKE WORTH, RECALLED SUBJECT EAGLE SCOUT AT AGE
THIRTEEN, AT WHICH TIME SUBJECT'S FATHER WAS SCOUTMASTER.
HE SAID SUBJECT'S MOTHER VERY ACTIVE IN CHURCH, AND FATHER
ACTIVE IN CIVIC AFFAIRS, AND ONCE RAN FOR LAKE WORTH CITY
COUNCIL. HE KNEW NOTHING OF SUBJECT'S BACKGROUND TO ACCOUNT
FOR HIS RECENT ACTIONS. LAKE WORTH POLICE RECORDS SHOW
COMPLAINTS OF DISTURBANCES, RESIDENCE OF SUBJECT'S PARENTS,
ON MARCH TWO AND FOUR LAST, AND RECORD OF CALL TO ^{Police Department}PD FROM
SUBJECT FROM TEXAS, MARCH TWO LAST, IN WHICH HE RELATED
HIS FATHER HAD THREATENED HIS MOTHER, AND HE WAS EN ROUTE

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FLA. TO GET HIS MOTHER. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WHO HAS KNOWN SUBJECT AND FATHER [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AND SUBJECT'S MOTHER [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] SAID SUBJECT NOT IN

Florida

FLA. MUCH IN RECENT YEARS, HAVING BEEN IN SERVICE AND LIVING IN TEXAS SINCE SEPARATION FROM SERVICE. SHE KNEW OF NOTHING WHICH WOULD ACCOUNT FOR SUBJECT'S RECENT ACTIONS. SHE SAID SUBJECT'S MOTHER QUITE RELIGIOUS AND RAISED HER SON IN CHURCH. ONE OF SUBJECT'S BROTHERS ONCE STUDIED FOR PRIESTHOOD. SUBJECT'S FATHER CAME FROM BROKEN FAMILY, BUILT A RATHER SUCCESSFUL PLUMBING BUSINESS, AND OVERLY PROUD OF HIS SUCCESS. [REDACTED] WHO REQUESTED HER IDENTITY NOT BE MADE PUBLIC, DESCRIBED SUBJECT'S FATHER AS BOTH OVERLY PERMISSIVE AND OVERLY STRICT WITH FAMILY AND VERY DOMINEERING. HE BOASTED OF THE MATERIAL THINGS HE HAS GIVEN HIS FAMILY, WHICH WAS TRUE, AND ALSO WAS VERY INSISTENT HIS CHILDREN DO THINGS OR EXCELL IN THINGS THEY COULD NOT OR DID NOT WANT TO DO. SHE STATED IT WAS WELL KNOWN IN FAMILY SUBJECT'S PARENTS QUARRELED REGULARLY. AFTER A QUARREL SEVERAL MONTHS AGO, SUBJECT'S

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MOTHER TOLD SUBJECT OF THE QUARREL AND IT WAS REPORTEDLY
SUBJECT'S IDEA HIS MOTHER LEAVE ^{Florida} FLA. AND COME TO TEXAS.

[REDACTED] SAID SUBJECT MIGHT WELL HAVE DISLIKED HIS FATHER,
BUT KNEW OF NO REASON FOR HIS DISLIKING OTHER MEMBERS OF
THE FAMILY OR HIS DOING WHAT HE DID.

For information of

INFO ATLANTA AND CHARLOTTE, SUBJECT IDENTIFIED AS
SNIPER WHO KILLED FIFTEEN PERSON, UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS,
AUGUST ONE LAST. BUREAU HAS ORDERED COMPLETE BACKGROUND
INVESTIGATION, WITH TELETYPE RESULTS TO BUREAU AND
SAN ANTONIO.

ATLANTA, CHECK SUBJECT'S ATTENDANCE, GEORGIA TECH.

CHARLOTTE, CONDUCT INQUIRY RE SUBJECT'S ATTENDANCE,
EAST CAROLINA UNIVERSITY.

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CC: MR. GALT

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5-05 PM ODST URGENT 8-2-66 MFW

TO: DIRECTOR (ATTENTION: ASSISTANT TO THE DIRECTOR DE LOACH)
WASHINGTON FIELD, AND SAN ANTONIO (62-3239)
FROM: SJ. LOUIS (62-4601) 2P

CHARLES JOSEPH WHITMAN; INFORMATION CONCERNING

RE SAN ANTONION TEL INSTANT.

PERSONNEL, MILITARY PERSONNEL RECORDS CENTER (MPRC),
ADVISED INSTANT U. S. MARINE CORPS RECORDS FOR CHARLES
JOSEPH WHITMAN, SN ONE EIGHT SEVEN ONE SIX THREE FOUR,
WERE FORWARDED TO HEADQUARTERS, COMMANDANT, MARINE CORPS,
WASHINGTON, D. C. ATTENTION BARNHARDT CODE DGH . ALSO
MEDICAL RECORDS FOR WHITMAN FORWARDED TO BUMED, WASHINGTON,
D. C. COPIES OF TRIALS FORWARDED TO HEADQUARTERS, MARINE
CORPS, CODE AG. RECORDS LEFT MPRC TWO THIRTY PM, CDST,
INSTANT FOR ST. LOUIS AIRPORT, AIRLINE UNKNOWN.

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FOR INFO WASHINGTON FIELD, SUBJECT HAS BEEN IDENTIFIED
AS SNIPER WHO KILLED AT LEAST THIRTEEN PERSONS AND WOUNDED
AT LEAST THIRTYTWO OTHERS FROM B OBSERVATION DECK, UNIVERSITY
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OF TEXAS TOWER BUILDING, AUSTIN, TEXAS, AUGUST ONE, LAST. SUBJECT SUBSEQUENTLY KILLED BY AUSTIN POLICE DEPARTMENT OFFICERS. EVERY BUREAU ASSISTANCE POSSIBLE, INCLUDING SERVICES OF IDENTIFICATION DIVISION, LABORATORY AND COVERAGE OF OUT OF STATE LEADS, HAS BEEN OFFERED TO LOCAL AUTHORITIES, AUSTIN, TEXAS. FROM INFORMATION PRESENTLY AVAILABLE, SUBJECT REPORTED BORN JULY TWENTYFOUR, FORTYONE, LAKE WORTH, PALM BEACH, FLA. HEIGHT SIX FEET, WEIGHT ONE HUNDRED NINETY EIGHT POUNDS. SERVED IN U.S. MARINE CORPS, SN ONE EIGHT SEVEN ONE SIX THREE FOUR.

TODAY MAJOR K. R. HERBERT, COMMANDING OFFICER, CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION, AUSTIN POLICE DEPARTMENT, REQUESTED COMPLETER BACKGROUND INFORMATION PERTAINING TO SUBJECT'S MARINE CORPS SERVICE.

IN VIEW OF PRESIDENTIAL INTEREST AND INTEREST OF GOVERNOR CONNALLY OF TEXAS, ST. LOUIS WAS REQUESTED TO IMMEDIATELY REVIEW SUBJECT'S MARINE CORPS SERVICE RECORDS AT MPRC, ST. LOUIS, AND SUTEL BY FOUR PM, CST, ALL PERTINENT INFORMATION.

WASHINGTON FIELD HANDLE ACCORDINGLY. RUC.

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Mr. Bishop	✓
Mr. Casper	✓
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FBI SANANTON

3:39 PM CST 8/2/66 URGENT DAW

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAN ANTONIO (62-3239)

CHARLES JOSEPH WHITMAN, INFORMATION CONCERNING
RE SAN ANTONIO TELS TO BUREAU TODAY.

FOLLOWING CONFIDENTIAL REPORT FURNISHED BY

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] (PROTECT IDENTITY) FROM RECORDS OF
STUDENT HEALTH CENTER, UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS, WHICH
INDICATES SUBJECT WAS REFERRED BY DR. JAN COCHRUM.
REPORT DATED MARCH TWENTY NINE, SIXTYSIX. ^{FIRST} _{REC-61}
PAGE OF REPORT SETS FORTH PERSONAL DATA CONCERNING
SUBJECT SUCH AS DATE OF BIRTH, FAMILY, OCCUPATION OF
FATHER, AND LIST OF ILLNESSES WHICH INCLUDE "APPENDECTOMY
NINETEEN FIFTYSEVEN, ADHESION OPERATION NINETEEN FIFTY
EIGHT, BLOOD CLOT REMOVED FROM LEFT TESTICLE NINETEEN
FIFTYEIGHT."

PAGE TWO OF REPORT SETS FORTH FOLLOWING:

THIS IS A NEW STUDENT REFERRED BY ONE OF THE
GENERAL PRACTITIONERS DOWNSTAIRS. THIS MASSIVE, MUSCULAR
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DELOACH FOR THE DIRECTOR

Letter to Whitman
at W.H. 8-3-66

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Mr. DeLoach
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YOUTH SEEMED TO BE OOZING WITH HOSTILITY AS HE INITIATED THE HOUR WITH THE STATEMENT THAT SOMETHING WAS HAPPENING TO HIM AND HE DIDN'T SEEM TO BE HIMSELF.

"PAST HISTORY REVEALED A YOUTH WHO WAS ONE OF TWO BROTHERS THAT GREW UP IN FLORIDA WHERE THE FATHER WAS A VERY SUCCESSFUL PLUMBING CONTRACTOR WITHOUT AN EDUCATION, BUT WHO HAD ACHIEVED CONSIDERABLE WEALTH. HE IDENTIFIED HIS FATHER AS BEING BRUTAL, DOMINEERING AND EXTREMELY DEMANDING OF THE OTHER THREE MEMBERS OF THE FAMILY. THE YOUTH MARRIED FOUR OR FIVE YEARS AGO AND SERVED A HITCH IN THE MARINES DURING HIS MARRIED LIFE. HE EXPRESSED HIMSELF AS BEING VERY FOND OF HIS WIFE BUT ADMITTED HIS TACTICS WERE SIMILAR TO HIS FATHERS AND THAT HE HAD ON TWO OCCASIONS ASSAULTED HIS WIFE PHYSICALLY. HE REFERRED TO SEVERAL COMMENDABLE ACHIEVEMENTS DURING HIS MARINE SERVICE BUT ALSO MADE REFERENCE TO A COURT MARTIAL FOR FIGHTING WHICH RESULTED ONLY TO HIS BEING REDUCED SEVERAL GRADES TO A PRIVATE. IN SPITE OF THIS HE RECEIVED A SCHOLARSHIP TO ATTEND THE UNIVERSITY FOR TWO YEARS AND REMAINED A MARINE AT THE SAME TIME.

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"HE SAID HIS WIFE HAD BECOME MORE COMFORTABLE WITH HIM AND HE SAYS SHE REALLY HAS LESS FEAR OF HIM NOW THAN IN THE PAST BECAUSE HE HAD MADE A MORE INTENSE EFFORT TO AVOID LOSING HIS TEMPER WITH HER.

"THE REAL PRECIPITATING FACTOR FOR THIS INITIAL VISIT AFTER BEING ON THE CAMPUS FOR SEVERAL YEARS SEEMED TO STEM FROM THE SEPARATION OF HIS PARENTS SOME THIRTY DAYS AGO. ALTHOUGH THERE HAS BEEN GROSS DISHARMONY THROUGH THE YEARS HIS MOTHER SUMMONED HIM TO FLORIDA TO BRING HER TO TEXAS AND SHE IS NOW LIVING IN AUSTIN BUT NOT WITH HER SON AND DAUGHTER IN LAW. THE YOUTH SAYS THAT HIS FATHER HAS AVERAGED CALLING EVERY FORTY EIGHT HOURS FOR SEVERAL WEEKS PETITIONING HIM TO PERSUADE HIS MOTHER TO RETURN TO HIM. HE ALLEGES TO HAVE NO INTENTION OF TRYING TO DO THAT AND RETAINS HIS HOSTILITY TOWARDS HIS FATHER.

" ALTHOUGH HE IDENTIFIES WITH HIS MOTHER IN THE MATTER ABOVE HIS REAL CONCERN IS WITH HIMSELF AT THE PRESENT TIME. HE READILY ADMITS HAVING OVERWHELMING PERIODS OF HOSTILITY WITH A VERY MINIMUM OF PROVOCATION.

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"REPEATED INQUIRIES ATTEMPTING TO ANALYZE HIS EXACT EXPERIENCES WERE NOT TOO SUCCESSFUL WITH EXCEPTION OF HIS VIVID REFERENCE TO 'THINKING ABOUT GOING UP ON THE TOWER WITH A DEER RIFLE AND START SHOOTING PEOPLE', HE RECOGNIZES OR RATHER FEELS THAT HE IS NOT ACHIEVING IN HIS WORK AT THE LEVEL OF WHICH HE IS CAPABLE AND THIS IS VERY DISCONCERTING TO HIM.

"THE YOUTH COULD TALK FOR LONG PERIODS OF TIME AND DEVELOP OVERT HOSTILITY WHILE TALKING AND THEN DURING THE SAME NARRATION MAY SHOW SIGNS OF WEEPING.

"OBSERVATIONS: THIS YOUTH TOLD NUMEROUS STORIES OF HIS CHILDHOOD AND OF INVOLVEMENT WITH HIS FATHER, THAT WERE NOT REPEATED, AND IT WAS FELT THAT THIS RELATIONSHIP, TOGETHER WITH THE GENETIC FEATURE, IS LARGELY RESPONSIBLE FOR HIS PRESENT PREDICAMENT. ALTHOUGH HIS FATHER IS ONLY SEMI-LITERATE, HE WAS A PERFECTIONIST IN OTHER RESPECTS AND EXTREMELY EXPANSIVE.

"THE YOUTH HAS LIVED FOR THE DAY WHEN HE COULD CONSIDER HIMSELF AS A PERSON CAPABLE OF EXCELLING HIS FATHER, IN HIGH SOCIETY IN GENERAL. HE LONG AGO ACKNOWLEDGED

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THAT HE HAD SURPASSED HIM IN EDUCATIONAL FIELDS BUT HE IS SEEKING THAT STATUS IN VERSELY (AS SPELLED) ALL FIELDS OF HUMAN ENDEAVOR. HE HAS SELF- CENTERED IN EGOCENTRIC AND AT THE SAME TIME HE WANTS TO IMPROVE HIMSELF. THE DEGENERATED STATE OF AFFAIRS WITH HIS PARENTS, PLUS HIS REPEATED RECENT FAILURES TO ACHIEVE, HAVE BECOME EXTREMELY FRUSTRATING TO HIM WHICH HE(AND HIS FATHER) WOULD EXPRESS HIS HOSTILITY THUS SOME THE EXPERIENCES NOTED ABOVE.

"NO MEDICATION WAS GIVEN TO THIS YOUTH AT THIS TIME AND HE WAS TOLD TO MAKE AN APPOINTMENT FOR THE SAME DAY NEXT WEEK AND SHOULD HE FEEL THAT HE NEEDS TO TALK TO THIS THERAPIST HE COULD CALL ME AT ANY TIME DURING THE INTERVAL.

SIGNED M. D. HEATLEY, M. D."

[REDACTED] INFORMED THAT THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS ADMINISTRATION, PLUS MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS, ARE HOLDING A MEETING AT ONE P.M., CST, TODAY, TO DETERMINE IF THE ABOVE INFORMATION IS TO BE RELEASED.

BUREAU WILL BE KEPT ADVISED OF PERTINENT DEVELOPMENTS AS THEY OCCUR.

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*This is being included
in letter to White
House.*

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FBI SANANTON

2:54 PM CST 8/2/66 URGENT DAW

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

ATTENTION: ASSISTANT TO THE DIRECTOR DE LOACH

FROM: SAN ANTONIO (62-3239) (62-3194)

CHARLES JOSEPH WHITMAN, INFORMATION CONCERNING
RE PRIOR SAN ANTONIO TELS TODAY.

FOR INFORMATION OF BUREAU, NAMES OF VICTIMS KILLED AND
WOUNDED PREVIOUSLY FURNISHED BUREAU, SEARCHED THROUGH
SAN ANTONIO INDICES WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS WITH POSSIBLE EXCEPTION

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[REDACTED] MAY POSSIBLY, REPEAT, MAY POSSIBLY BE IDENTICAL
WITH [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] THIS INFORMATION
CONTAINED ON PAGE TWO OF SAN ANTONIO LHM DATED DECEMBER TWENTY
TWO, SIXTYFIVE, FURNISHED TO BUREAU IN CASE ENTITLED QUOTE

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MR. DELOACH FOR THE DIRECTOR

Letter to SS
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to Mr. DeLoach
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FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OF BUREAU, A [REDACTED]
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TELEPHONICALLY CONTACTED THE SAN ANTONIO OFFICE AND ADVISED THAT FROM DESCRIPTIONS OF SUBJECT FURNISHED BY NEWS ACCOUNTS, SHE FELT THAT SUBJECT MAY BE IDENTICAL WITH AN INDIVIDUAL THAT SHE AND HER HUSBAND OBSERVED NEAR LBJ RANCH ON RANCH ROAD ONE ON SUNDAY, JULY THIRTYONE, LAST. ACCORDING TO [REDACTED] THIS INDIVIDUAL MADE THE FOLLOWING REMARKS. QUOTE LOOK YOUNDER, THERE SITS THE SECRET SERVICE MAN WITH A TELESCOPIC GUN ACROSS HIS KNEES. THAT'S WHERE OUR TAX MONEY GOES UNQUOTE.

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[REDACTED] STATED SHE IMMEDIATELY TURNED TO THE INDIVIDUAL AND REMARKED THAT SHE WAS GLAD THE SECRET SERVICE MAN WAS THERE AS HE WAS PROTECTING THE PRESIDENT. THE INDIVIDUAL MADE ANOTHER REMARK NOT RECALLED BY [REDACTED] HE THEREAFTER JOINED A COMPANION. [REDACTED] DESCRIBED THE FIRST INDIVIDUAL AS WHITE, MALE, APPROXIMATELY TWENTYSIX TO TWENTYSEVEN YEARS OF AGE, BLOND HAIR, AND WEARING A LIGHT COLORED SHIRT. SHE DESCRIBED THE INDIVIDUAL'S COMPANION AS A WHITE MALE, WEARING A HAT. NO FURTHER INFORMATION AVAILABLE.

ABOVE INFORMATION FURNISHED SECRET SERVICE, SAN ANTONIO.

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OF THE BUREAU, AUSTIN POLICE DEPT. ADVISED THAT BLACK AND WHITE FILM HAS BEEN DEVELOPED AND THESE FILMS CONTAIN PHOTOGRAPHS OF SUBJECT AND UNIDENTIFIED
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PERSONS. COLOR FILM IS BEING DEVELOPED AND BUREAU WILL BE ADVISED OF RESULTS.

FOR CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION OF THE BUREAU, MAJOR K. R. HERBERT, COMMANDING OFFICER, CID, AUSTIN, TEXAS, POLICE DEPARTMENT, PROTECT IDENTITY, JUST ADVISED THAT AUTOPSY OF SUBJECT REVEALED A BRAIN TUMOR. MAJOR HERBERT REQUESTED THAT THIS BE TREATED CONFIDENTIALYY.

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CC: MR. GALE

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Mr. Mohr	✓
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Mr. Casper	✓
Mr. Callahan	✓
Mr. Conrad	✓
Mr. Felt	✓
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FBI SANANTON

2:47

PM CST 8/2/66 URGENT DAW

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (ATTENTION: ASSISTANT TO THE
DIRECTOR DE LOACH) AND ST. LOUIS

FROM: SAN ANTONIO (62-3239)

CHARLES JOSEPH WHITMAN, INFORMATION CONCERNING
RE SAN ANTONIO TELS TO BUREAU TODAY.

FOR INFORMATION OF ST. LOUIS, SUBJECT HAS BEEN IDENTIFIED
AS SNIPER WHO KILLED AT LEAST THIRTEEN PERSONS AND WOUNDED
AT LEAST THIRTY TWO OTHERS FROM OBSERVATION DECK, UNIVERSITY
OF TEXAS TOWER, BUILDING, AUSTIN, TEXAS, AUGUST ONE LAST.

SUBJECT SUBSEQUENTLY KILLED BY AUSTIN POLICE DEPARTMENT
OFFICERS.

EVERY BUREAU ASSISTANCE POSSIBLE, INCLUDING SERVICES OF
IDENTIFICATION DIVISION, LABORATORY, AND COVERAGE OF OUT OF
STATE LEADS, HAS BEEN OFFERED TO LOCAL AUTHORITIES, AUSTIN,
TEXAS.

FOR INFORMATION PRESENTLY AVAILABLE, SUBJECT REPORTEDLY
BORN JULY TWENTYFOUR, FORTYONE, LAKE WORTH, PALM BEACH,
FLA. HEIGHT SIX FEET, WEIGHT ONE HUNDRED NINETY EIGHT POUNDS.

SERVED IN U. S. MARINE CORPS, SERIAL NUMBER ONE EIGHT SEVEN

ONE SIX THREE FOUR.

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TODAY MAJOR K. R. HERVERT^B, COMMANDING OFFICER, CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION, AUSTIN POLICE DEPARTMENT, REQUESTED COMPLETE BACKGROUND INFORMATION PERTAINING TO SUBJECT'S MARINE CORPS SERVICE.

IN VIEW OF PRESIDENTIAL INTEREST, AND INTEREST OF GOVERNOR CONNALLY OF TEXAS, ST. LOUIS IS REQUESTED TO IMMEDIATELY REVIEW SUBJECT'S MARINE CORPS SERVICE RECORDS AT MPRC, ST. LOUIS, AND SUTEL BY FOUR P.M., CST ALL PERTINENT INFORMATION.

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CC: MR. WICK

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10038AM CST URGENT 8/2/66 MRH

TO DIRECTOR, ATTN: ASSISTANT TO THE DIRECTOR DE LOACH AND MIAMI.

FROM SAN ANTONIO 62-3239

CHARLES JOSEPH WHITMAN, INFORMATION CONCERNING.

RE SAN ANTONIO TELS TO BUREAU AUGUST ONE LAST.

FOR INFO MIAMI, REFERENCED COMMUNICATIONS REFLECT EVERY BUREAU ASSISTANCE POSSIBLE, INCLUDING SERVICES OF IDENTIFICATION DIVISION, LABORATORY, AND COVERAGE OF OUT OF STATE LEADS, HAS BEEN OFFERED TO LOCAL AUTHORITIES, AUSTIN, TEXAS.

SUBJECT HAS BEEN IDENTIFIED AS SNIPER WHO KILLED AT LEAST THIRTEEN PERSONS AND WOUNDED AT LEAST THIRTYTWO OTHERS FROM OBSERVATION DECK OF UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS TOWER BUILDING, AUSTIN, TEXAS, AUGUST ONE LAST.

AVAILABLE INFORMATION THROUGH SCHOOL RECORDS AND CREDIT RECORDS IN AUSTIN, TEXAS, REFLECT SUBJECT REPORTEDLY BORN JUNE TWENTYFOUR, FORTYONE, AT LAKELAND, PALM BEACH FLORIDA. HEIGHT SIX FEET, WEIGHT ONE NINE EIGHT POUNDS, OCT 31 1966 SERVED IN U.S. MARINE CORPS, JULY SIX, FIFTYNINE, TO DEC. FOUR, SIXTYFOUR, MARINE SERIAL NUMBER ONE EIGHT SEVEN ONE SIXTHREE FOUR 1966 ATTENDED SACRED HEART GRADE

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MR. DELOACH FOR THE DIRECTOR

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SCHOOL, LAKE WORTH, PALM BEACH, FLA., AND ST. ANN'S
HIGH SCHOOL, WEST PALM BEACH, FLA. FATHER REPORTED
TO BE C. A. WHITMAN, THREE TWO ZERO SOUTH L. STREET, LAKE
WORTH, FLA.

TODAY COLONEL HOMER GARRISON, DIRECTOR, TEXAS DPS,
AUSTIN, TEXAS, INFORMED GOVERNOR JOHN CONNALLY OF TEXAS
RETURNING FROM SOUTH AMERICA AND HAS REQUESTED DPS CONDUCT
INVESTIGATION CONCERNING SUBJECT.

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IN VIEW OF PRESIDENTIAL INTEREST AND INTEREST OF
GOVERNOR CONNALLY, MIAMI REQUESTED OBTAIN COMPLETE BACK-
GROUND INFORMATION SUBJECT, AND SUTEL BEFORE FOUR PM CST.

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FBI SANANTON

137 AM URGENT 8/27/66 EGL/WHS

TO DIRECTOR

FROM SAN ANTONIO (62-3239)

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CHARLES JOSEPH WHITMAN, INFORMATION CONCERNING.

Attention:
ATTN: ASSISTANT TO THE DIRECTOR DE LOACH.

Reference
RE TELEPHONE CALL AUGUST ONE LAST FROM SUPERVISOR

AND PRIOR TELETYPES AUGUST ONE LAST.

SGT. GEORGE KIDD, CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS DIVISION,
Police Department
AUSTIN PD, ADVISED THAT AT ELEVEN FORTYEIGHT A. M. AUGUST ONE LAST
A SHOT WAS FIRED BY UNKNOWN INDIVIDUAL FROM OBSERVATION
DECK OF UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS TOWER IN MAIN BUILDING. BY AUSTIN
POLICE RADIO, ALL AVAILABLE POLICE SUMMONED. SNIPER CONTINUED
TO FIRE AT INDIVIDUALS ON UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS CAMPUS FROM
OBSERVATION DECK UNTIL ONE TWENTYFOUR P. M., AT WHICH TIME
HE WAS KILLED BY SGT. RAMIRO MARTINEZ AND PATROLMAN HOUSTON
MC COY, Austin PD, Police Department
WHO ENTERED TOWER AND SLIPPED UP BEHIND HIM.
SGT. MARTINEZ SHOT TWICE AT SNIPER WITH SERVICE REVOLVER AND
SNIPER TRIED TO SHOOT MARTINEZ WITH THIRTY CALIBER CARBINE. MARTINEZ
SHOT THREE MORE TIMES, TWO OF WHICH ENTERED SNIPER'S BODY
AND ONE HIT HIS CARBINE. AT ABOUT SAME TIME, PATROLMAN
MC COY SHOT SNIPER WITH TWELVE GAUGE SHOTGUN.

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SNIPER IDENTIFIED BY PERSONAL PAPERS IN HIS POSSESSION. SUBSEQUENT TO BEING REMOVED TO HOSPITAL, CHIEF OF POLICE A. R. HAMILTON, UNIVERSITY SECURITY POLICE, TOOK COUNSELORS OF UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS WHERE SUBJECT FORMERLY WORKED TO HOSPITAL FOR POSITIVE AND FURTHER IDENTIFICATION OF SUBJECT.

SGT. KIDD ADVISED THAT MORNING OF AUGUST ONE LAST ~~RECEIVED~~ ^{SUBJECT} APPARENTLY WENT UP ELEVATOR IN MAIN BUILDING TO TWENTYSIXTH FLOOR, AS FAR AS ELEVATOR GOES, WITH MARINE CORPS TYPE FOOTLOCKER WHICH HAD HIS NAME AND ^{Marine Serial Number} ~~CSN~~, AND IN WHMCH HE APPARENTLY BROUGHT ALL GUNS, TO WHICH REFERENCE PREVIOUSLY MADE, AMMUNITION, AND QUANTITY OF FOOD AND WATER. HE THEN WALKED TO TWENTYSEVENTH FLOOR BY STAIRWAY WHERE HE ALLEGEDLY WOUNDED THREE PERSONS AND KILLED THREE PERSONS, PRIOR TO ENTERING OBSERVATION DECK. ONE OF THREE KILLED WAS MRS. EDNA ELIZABETH TOWNSLEY, FIFTYONE YEAR OLD ELEVATOR OPERATOR, WHO, PRIOR TO BEING KILLED, SUPPOSEDLY NOTIFIED SECURITY POLICE SUBJECT WAS ON FLOOR AND ACTING STRANGELY. IDENTITIES OF OTHER VICTIMS WOUNDED OR KILLED IN THIS AREA CURRENTLY UNKNOWN.

Criminal Investigation Division
LT. GEORGE WILLIAMSON, ~~SA~~, AUSTIN ~~TX~~, FURNISHED
Police Department

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FOLLOWING NAMES OF THIRTEEN PERSONS KILLED BY SUBJECT,
EITHER IN THE TOWER OR ON THE MALL.

BILLY PAUL SPEED, AGE TWENTYTHREE, PATROLMAN, AUSTIN
^{Police Department} PD, ONE FOUR ZERO THREE PAYNE ^{Street} ST., KILLED ON MALL AT FOOT
OF TOWER.

MARK JEROME GABOUR, FOUR ZERO ONE THREE ELIZABETH ^{Street} ST.,
TEXARKANA, TEXAS, AGE FIFTEEN, A VISITOR IN AUSTIN.

PAUL BOLTON SONNTAG, TWO SEVEN ZERO THREE PECOS,
EIGHTEEN YEAR OLD GRANDSON OF PAUL BOLTON, NEWS COMMENTATOR
FOR KTBC-TV, AUSTIN. FOR BUREAU- S INFO, KTBC- TV FORMERLY
OWNED BY PRESIDENT JOHNSON.

THOMAS CARR, EIGHT ZERO THREE W. TWENTYEIGHTH ^{Street} ST.,
AUSTIN, PARENTS RESIDE THREE SIX ONE FOUR WASHBURN AVE.,
FORT WORTH, TEXAS.

MARGUERITE LAMPORT, TWO SIX ZERO SIX CASCADE ^{Drive} DR.,
AUSTIN.

CLAUDIA RUTT, THREE FOUR ONE FIVE CASCADERA, AUSTIN,
EIGHTEEN YEARS OLD.

THOMAS F. ECKMAN, TWO THREE FIVE ZERO MONROE, TOLEDO,
OHIO, AGE EIGHTEEN.

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ROBERT HAMILTON BOYER, AGE THIRTYTHREE, ONE ZERO ONE
THREE LINTON STREET, JONESTOWN, PENNSYLVANIA.

THOMAS ASHTON, AGE TWENTYTWO, ONE FIVE FOUR FOUR CROWN
STREET, REDLANDS, CALIFORNIA.

ROY DELL SCHMIDT, TWENTYNINE YEARS OLD, LARCHMONT STREET,
AUSTIN, TEXAS.

EDNA ELIZABETH TOWNSLEY, FOUR TWO ZERO THREE ALICE
AVENUE, AUSTIN, TEXAS.

HARRY WALCHECK, NO ADDRESS.

Not Searched
ONE STILLBIRTH, EIGHT MONTHS OLD, MOTHER [REDACTED]
WHO WAS INJURED BUT STILL ALIVE.

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IN ADDITION, MRS. KATHLEEN /LISSNER/ WHITMAN, WIFE
OF SUBJECT, AND MRS. ELIZABETH /CHARLES A./ WHITMAN, MOTHER
OF SUBJECT, FIVE ZERO FIVE PENTHOUSE APARTMENTS, AUSTIN,
REPORTEDLY KILLED BY SUBJECT THEIR HOMES EARLIER IN THE DAY.

FOLLOWING THIRTYTWO PEOPLE INJURED BY SUBJECT.

[REDACTED] AGE EIGHTEEN, [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] AGE TWENTYONE, [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] AGE FORTYONE, [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] AGE NINETEEN, SAME ADDRESS AS ABOVE.

[REDACTED] AGE TWENTYONE, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

KAREN GRIFFITH, AGE SEVENTEEN, EIGHT TWO ONE ZERO
BRIARWOOD, AUSTIN.

DAVID GUMBY, ONE ONE TWO TWO D, BRACKENRIDGE ^{Apartments} APTS., AUSTIN.

[REDACTED] AGE TWENTYONE, [REDACTED]

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HOMAR J. KELLEY, AGE SIXTYFOUR, RT. ^{Route} ONE BOX TWO TWO SIX,
AUSTIN.

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[REDACTED] AGE TWENTYONE, [REDACTED]
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ALL ABOVE HAVE BEEN TREATED AND RETAINED AT
BRACKENRIDGE HOSPITAL, AUSTIN.

[REDACTED] NO ADDRESS, [REDACTED], NO ADDRESS,

[REDACTED] AND

[REDACTED] TREATED AND RELEASED.

[REDACTED] AND

[REDACTED] A VISITOR FROM MONTERREY, MEXICO,

TREATED AT STUDENT HEALTH CENTER, UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS,
AND RELEASED.

[REDACTED] NO ADDRESS, AND [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] NO ADDRESS, TREATED AT SETON HOSPITAL.

FOR BUREAU- S ~~INFO~~ ^{information}, CHIEF OF POLICE R. A. MILES, AUSTIN
Police Department
PD, WAS OFFERED EVERY BUREAU ASSISTANCE POSSIBLE, INCLUDING
SERVICES OF IDENTIFICATION DIVISION, LABORATORY, AND COVERAGE OF
OUT STATE LEADS. AS OF THIS TIME, NO REQUESTS HAVE BEEN MADE
FOR BUREAU ASSISTANCE.

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AS OF THIS TIME, NO MOTIVE FOR SUBJECTS CONDUCT
DETERMINED.

Police Department
AUSTIN ~~IS~~ PURSUING ITS INVESTIGATION TO DETERMINE
OCCUPATION OF ALL INJURED AND DECEASED.

BUREAU WILL BE KEPT ADVISED OF ANY ADDITIONAL PERTINENT
DEVELOPMENTS.

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CC: MR. GALE

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Honorable Marvin Watson
 Special Assistant to the President
 The White House
 Washington, D. C.

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Dear Mr. Watson:

In connection with the wanton shooting at the University of Texas, Austin, Texas, on August 1, 1966, by Charles Joseph Whitman, I thought you would be interested in the following information.

Data available to the Austin, Texas, Resident Agency Office of the FBI indicates that on August 1, 1966, Charles Joseph Whitman, a former United States Marine and a student at the University of Texas, took a position on the observation deck of the University of Texas Tower. Prior to coming to the Tower he reportedly had killed his wife and mother. He also reportedly killed three others and wounded three more individuals before entering the observation deck of the Tower.

At 11:48 a.m., while on the observation deck, Whitman began sniping indiscriminately at persons in the area. He reportedly killed a total of 15 individuals and wounded 32 others. At 1:24 p.m. he was shot and killed by officers of the Austin, Texas, Police Department.

No motive for Whitman's conduct has been determined at this time; however, he reportedly left a note signed at 3:00 a.m., August 1, 1966, indicating he had killed his wife and mother because he had been having severe headaches and undergoing psychiatric treatment.

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Among those reportedly killed by Whitman was Paul Bolton Sonntag, grandson of Paul Bolton, news director of KTBC Television Station in Austin, Texas.

It was also reported that Scott Carpenter, son of Mrs. Elizabeth Carpenter, Press Secretary to Mrs. Johnson, narrowly missed being shot by Whitman.

At the time Whitman was killed by the officers, he was in possession of a footlocker "crammed" with food, water and gasoline. He also had in his possession three rifles, one of which was equipped with a telescopic sight. He also had an automatic shotgun with a sawed-off barrel and stock and three pistols of various calibers.

Whitman reportedly was born on June 24, 1941, at Lake Worth, Palm Beach, Florida, and attended grade and high schools in Florida. He reportedly served in the United States Marine Corps from July, 1959, to December, 1964, and was honorably discharged with the rank of private first class. While in the military service he was tried by Summary Court Martial for loaning money for profit and gambling. He is a former Eagle Scout and served as a Scoutmaster in Austin, Texas, in 1965, but reportedly had to give up this position because of the work load.

Whitman was currently attending the College of Engineering at the University of Texas. He was a student in good standing and regarded as a brilliant individual.

The central files of the FBI contain no information identifiable with Whitman. The records of the Identification Division contain two civil fingerprint cards concerning him. These cards were searched through the criminal files and no arrest record was located.

The Chief of Police at Austin, Texas, has been offered every FBI assistance possible in this matter, including the services of the Laboratory, Identification Division and handling of pertinent inquiries; however, as of this time no request has been received from the Police Department for FBI assistance.

Honorable Marvin Watson

Information has been received that Governor and Mrs. John Connally, who have been in South America, are returning to Texas today. Lieutenant Governor Smith has requested the Texas Department of Public Safety to conduct the necessary inquiry concerning this matter.

Sincerely yours,

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

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CHARLES JOSEPH WHITMAN. INFORMATION CONCERNING.

Reference teletypes
RE SAN ANTONIO TELS AUGUST ONE AND TWO LAST.

TODAY MAJOR K. R. HERBERT, COMMANDING OFFICER,
CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS DIVISION, AUSTIN, TEXAS, ^{police department} PD,
ADVISED THAT AT THIS TIME HE HAS NO INTENTION OF INTER-
VIEWING DOCTORS HEATLY AND COCHRUM, UNIVERSITY STUDENT
HEALTH CENTER, AUSTIN, IN VIEW OF FOLLOWING PRESS RELEASE
MADE BY UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AND BOARD OF REGENTS TODAY
REGARDING DOCTOR HEATLY'S PRIOR EXAMINATION OF SUBJECT
(SEE SAN ANTONIO TEL TODAY SUBMITTED THREE THIRTYNINE
PM).

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"HAVING LEARNED LATE YESTERDAY THAT MR. CHARLES
WHITMAN HAD VISITED THE UNIVERSITY HEALTH CENTER ON
MARCH TWENTYNINE, SIXTYSIX, AND AT THAT TIME HAD BEEN
REFERRED TO DOCTOR M. D. HEATLY, STAFF PSYCHIATRIST, FOR
PRIVATE CONSULTATION, THE UNIVERSITY ADMINISTRATION HAS
DIRECTED THE HEALTH CENTER TO MAKE AVAILABLE TO LAW
ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES AND THE PUBLIC, THE COMPLETE CONFIDENTIAL

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MR. DELOACH FOR THE DIRECTOR

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MEDICAL RECORDS OF THIS VISIT WITH DOCTOR HEATLY, HIS ONLY PSYCHIATRIC APPOINTMENT AT THE UNIVERSITY.

"MR. WHITMAN WAS TOLD TO MAKE AN APPOINTMENT FOR THE SAME DAY THE NEXT WEEK AND WAS INFORMED THAT IF HE FELT HE NEEDED TO TALK TO THE THERAPIST HE COULD CALL ON HIM AT ANY TIME DURING THE INTERVAL. HOWEVER HE NEVER RETURNED AND WAS NOT SEEN BY THIS THERAPIST OR BY ANY OTHER UNIVERSITY PHYSICIAN AFTER MARCH TWENTYNINE, SIXTYSIX.

"THE UNIVERSITY HEALTH CENTER IS A VOLUNTARY OPERATION PROVIDED BY THE UNIVERSITY FOR THE BENEFIT OF STUDENTS. PSYCHIATRIC AS WELL AS MEDICAL CARE IS AVAILABLE, BUT NO STUDENT IS REQUIRED TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF IT. EACH STUDENT HAS THE RIGHT AND PRIVILEGE TO SELECT A PHYSICIAN AND HOSPITAL OF HIS OWN CHOICE.

"UNLESS A STUDENT DEMONSTRATES A BEHAVIOR PATTERN WHICH WOULD REGULARLY JUSTIFY INVOLUNTARY COMMITMENT, THE UNIVERSITY HAS NO ALTERNATIVE EXCEPT TO SUGGEST THAT THE STUDENT TAKE ADVANTAGE OF ITS SERVICES, AND IT IS UP TO THE STUDENT TO DECIDE WHETHER HE WISHES TO DO SO. IN THIS
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CASE THE ATTENDING PHYSICIAN SAW NO INDICATION OF ANY LEGAL GROUNDS FOR COMMITMENT AND ALTHOUGH HE SUGGESTED FURTHER CONSULTATIONS THE STUDENT DID NOT TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THEM.

"DOCTOR HEATLY'S CONCLUSION ON MARCH TWENTYNINE, SIXTYSIX, THAT THERE WAS NO INDICATION AT THAT TIME THAT WHITMAN WAS A DANGER TO EITHER HIMSELF OR THE COMMUNITY WAS CONSISTENT WITH THE IMPRESSIONS OF HIS TEACHERS, HIS EMPLOYER, AND HIS ASSOCIATES, NONE OF WHOM OBSERVED ANYTHING DURING THE INTERVENING FOUR MONTHS WHICH REFLECTED UNUSUAL BEHAVIOR.

"WHITMAN COMPLETED NINETEEN HOURS OF ENGINEERING WORK IN MAY, SIXTYSIX, WITH A B AVERAGE, WHICH INDICATES HE WAS BETTER THAN AVERAGE STUDENT. SINCE THAT TIME, HE HAS BEEN CARRYING A NORMAL WORK LOAD IN THE COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING THIS SUMMER WITH SATISFACTORY RESULTS. AT THE SAME TIME HE PERFORMED HIS DUTIES AS LABORATORY ASSISTANT IN A WAY THAT WAS ENTIRELY SATISFACTORY TO HIS SUPERVISORS. THIS NORMAL SITUATION PREVAILED AT LEAST

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THROUGH FRIDAY, JULY TWENTYNINE, WHICH WAS THE LAST DAY HE ATTENDED CLASSES AND PERFORMED HIS REGULAR WORK ASSIGNMENTS.

"IN REPORTING TO THE UNIVERSITY, DOCTOR HEATLY EXPLAINED THAT IF A STUDENT CHOOSES TO VISIT THE HEALTH CENTER FOR PSYCHIATRIC CONSULTATION, THE ALTERNATIVES FOLLOWING SUCH CONSULTATION ARE: FIRST, TO DETERMINE THAT HE IS NOT A PSYCHIATRIC CASE; SECOND, TO SCHEDULE SERIAL VISITS FOR FURTHER OBSERVATIONS BUT THE VISITS MUST BE VOLUNTARY ON THE PART OF THE STUDENT; AND THIRD TO DETERMINE THAT THE PATIENT IS PSYCHOTIC AND/OR DANGEROUS TO HIMSELF OR OTHERS IN WHICH CASE IT IS NECESSARY TO SEPARATE HIM INVOLUNTARILY FROM SOCIETY. WHERE THIS LATTER SITUATION HAS BEEN INDICATED, THAT PROCEDURE HAS BEEN FOLLOWED. IN THIS CASE THERE WAS NO PSYCHIATRIC BASIS AT THE TIME OF THE INTERVIEW ON MARCH TWENTYNINE FOR PURSUING THIS LAST ALTERNATIVE.

"DURING THE FOUR MONTHS WHICH HAVE ELAPSED SINCE
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WHITMAN WAS LAST SEEN BY DOCTOR HEATLY NO UNIVERSITY PHYSICIAN HAS HAD ANY OPPORTUNITY TO OBSERVE OR EVALUATE HIS CONDITION." W. A. COWAN, ASSISTANT AGENT IN CHARGE, INTELLIGENCE SECTION, TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, ADVISED THAT NO DECISION HAS BEEN MADE BY DPS RELATIVE TO INTERVIEWS OF DOCTORS HEATLY AND COCHRAN.

Reference

RE SAN ANTONIO TEL TODAY SUBMITTED THREE THIRTYNINE PM, MR. GRAVES LANDRUM, ASSISTANT TO CHANCELLOR, UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS, AUSTIN, ADVISED ENTIRE REPORT DATED MARCH TWENTYNINE, SIXTYSIX, AS SET FORTH IN RETEL WAS MADE PUBLIC THIS PM AND NEED NO LONGER BE CONSIDERED CONFIDENTIAL NOR SOURCE PROTECTED.

CONCERNING AUTOPSY JUSTICE OF PEACE JERRY A. DELANNA, TRAVIS COUNTY, AUSTIN, ADVISED THAT HE TALKED TO DR. C. DE CHENAR, PATHOLOGIST, AUSTIN, WHO REPORTED "A SMALL TUMOR WAS LOCATED CLOSE TO THE BRAIN STEM. DOCTOR CHENAR SAID NO DIRECT EFFECT ON THE FRONTAL LOBE OF BRAIN WHICH CONTROLS LOGICAL THINKING OF THE INDIVIDUAL. HE SAID TUMOR CAUSED SOME PRESSURE ON THE SENSORY PASSAGES WHICH RESULTED PERHAPS IN HEADACHES, BUT ACTS NOT RESULT OF TUMOR."

JUDGE DELANNA SAID THAT MICROSCOPIC EXAMINATION
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OF THE BRAIN TISSUE AND TUMOR ARE YET TO BE CONDUCTED AND THAT THE SPECIMENS MAY BE SENT TO THE ARMED FORCES INSTITUTE OF PATHOLOGY, BELIEVED TO BE LOCATED BETHESDA, MARYLAND.

DATE OF RECEIPT OF WRITTEN REPORT UNKNOWN AT THIS TIME.

JUDGE DELANNA ADVISED THAT TEXAS ^{Department of Public Safety} ~~DPS~~ LABORATORY

REPORTED NO ALCOHOLIC CONTENT IN BLOOD.

MAJOR HERBERT ALSO FURNISHED FOLLOWING INFORMATION.

TODAY [REDACTED] CHUCK'S GUN SHOP, AUSTIN, ADVISED ON AUGUST ONE LAST APPROXIMATELY NINE THIRTY AM, YOUNG WHITE MALE CAME INTO STORE INQUIRING CONCERNING PURCHASING AMMUNITION. THIS INDIVIDUAL BOUGHT FOUR BOXES CARBINE CARTRIDGES SPORT LOAD. ALSO TWO BOXES SIX MILLI-METER AMMUNITION, ONE CAN HOPPE'S NUMBER NINE OIL, AND FOUR CARBINE CLIPS. AT TIME OF PURCHASE, INDIVIDUAL GAVE [REDACTED] [REDACTED] CHECK DRAWN ON AUSTIN NATIONAL BANK, AUSTIN, IN AMOUNT FORTYEIGHT DOLLARS SIXTYTHREE CENTS, SIGNED CHARLES J. WHITMAN. [REDACTED] REPORTED SUBJECT VERY CASUAL DID NOT SEEM TO BE UPSET, AND FURNISHED DRIVER'S LICENSE

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NUMBER.

TODAY [REDACTED] CHUCK'S GUN SHOP, ADVISED KNOWN
WHITMAN ABOUT ONE YEAR, AND APPROXIMATELY YEAR AGO WHITMAN
CAME INTO CHUCK'S GUN SHOP WITH FATHER AND ORDERED SIX
MILLIMETER REMINGTON RIFLE WITH FOUR-POWER SCOPE. WHITMAN'S
FATHER ALSO PLACED ORDER FOR TWO FOUR THREE CALIBER SAKO
BRAND RIFLE. WHITMAN'S FATHER SAID INTENDED TO GO HUNTING
WITH SON DURING DEER SEASON. [REDACTED] ORDERED GUNS AND
SEVERAL TIMES BEFORE GUNS RECEIVED, SUBJECT WHITMAN CAME
INTO STORE INQUIRING WHETHER GUNS DELIVERED. DURING PERIOD
WHILE WAITING FOR GUNS, SUBJECT PAID FOR THEM IN FOUR OR
FIVE INSTALLMENTS AND RELATED HIS FATHER SENDING MONEY TO
PAY FOR GUNS. [REDACTED] SAID AT ALL TIMES WHEN SUBJECT IN
STORE, HE APPEARED NORMAL AND DID NOT DETECT ANYTHING
UNUSUAL.

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TODAY [REDACTED] EMPLOYEE, SPORTING GOODS DEPARTMENT,
CHARLES P. DAVIS HARDWARE NUMBER TWO, AUSTIN, ADVISED
APPROXIMATELY NINE AM, AUGUST ONE LAST, WHITE MALE WHOM
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HE IDENTIFIED AS CHARLES WHITMAN, MADE FOLLOWING PURCHASES:

ONE THIRTY CALIBER CARBINE, SERIAL NUMBER SIX NINE
SEVEN NINE NINE.

TWO EXTRA CLIPS.

THREE BOXES SIX MILLIMETER CARTRIDGES.

TWO BOXES .THIRTY CALIBER CARBINE CARTRIDGES.

TWO BOXES THIRTYFIVE REMMINGTON CARTRIDGES.

ONE BOX NINE MILLIMETER LUGER CARTRIDGES.

AT TIME OF PURCHASE, WHITMAN TOLD [] WAS GOING TO
FLORIDA TO SHOOT WILD HOGS. WHITMAN PAID FOR ABOVE
PURCHASES IN CASH AND WAS DRESSED IN BLUE JEANS AND RED
PLAID SHIRT.

MR. COWAN ADVISED TWELVE GAUGE AUTOMATIC SHOTGUN
IN POSSESSION OF WHITMAN WAS PURCHASED NINE FORTY AM,
AUGUST ONE LAST FROM [] SPORTING DEPARTMENT,
SEARS, ROEBUCK COMPANY, AUSTIN, TEXAS. SAID HE WANTED
GUN FOR HUNTING TRIP IN FLORIDA.

Police Department

AUSTIN PD/ ATTEMPTING OBTAIN INFORMATION ON OTHER GUNS

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IN POSSESSION OF SUBJECT AND IF UNSUCCESSFUL WILL REQUEST BUREAU ASSISTANCE.

MAJOR HERBERT SAID FINGERPRINTS WERE FORWARDED TODAY TO FBI IDENTIFICATION DIVISION ON ALL DECEASED PERSONS. EXPEDITIOUS HANDLING WILL BE APPRECIATED.

SUBJECT'S BROTHERS PATRICK GRADY WHITMAN AND JOHN MICHAEL WHITMAN NOT IDENTIFIED IN SAN ANTONIO FILES.

Police Department
CHIEF R. A. MILES, AUSTIN PD, ADVISED THAT HE HAS BEEN INSTRUCTED BY AUSTIN CITY LEGAL DEPARTMENT NOT TO MAKE NOTES LEFT BY SUBJECT AVAILABLE TO PRESS DUE TO POSSIBLE SUIT AGAINST CITY, AND HE INTENDS TO COMPLY WITH THIS INSTRUCTION (SEE SAN ANTONIO TELETYPE AUGUST TWO, ONE NINE SIX SIX, TWELVE SEVENTEEN P. M.)

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION BUREAU, I WAS ADVISED TODAY THAT ONE [REDACTED] FIRST NAME UNKNOWN, [REDACTED] [REDACTED] FORT SAM HOUSTON, TEXAS, SAN ANTONIO, HAD FORMERLY BEEN CLASSMATE OF WHITMAN, REGARDS HIMSELF AS GOOD FRIEND OF WHITMAN, AND EXPECTS TO ATTEND WHITMAN'S FUNERAL IN FLORIDA. THIS INFORMATION FURNISHED TODAY TO
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TEXAS DPS AND WILL BE CONFIRMED IN WRITING.
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CONTENTS OF MIAMI TEL AUGUST TWO INSTANT, SIX FOURTEEN
Police Department
PM HAVE BEEN ORALLY FURNISHED TO AUSTIN PD AND TEXAS DPS
Department of Public Safety
AND WILL BE CONFIRMED IN WRITING.

BUREAU WILL BE KEPT PROMPTLY ADVISED OF FURTHER
PERTINENT DEVELOPMENTS.

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*cc. Mr. Galt
Mr. Trotter*

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(Priority)TO: DIRECTOR, FBI AND SAC, SAN ANTONIO (62-3239)
ATTENTION: ASSISTANT TO THE DIRECTOR DE LOACH

FROM: SAC, WFO (62-9475)

CHARLES JOSEPH WHITMAN; INFORMATION CONCERNING; OO: SAN
ANTONIO.

USMC RECORD REVIEWED THIS DATE, SERIAL NUMBER ONE EIGHT SEVEN
ONE SIX THREE FOUR SHOWS WHITMAN ENLISTED AS PRIVATE, JACKSONVILLE,
FLORIDA, JULY SIX FIFTYNINE AND RELEASED FROM ACTIVE DUTY AS
PRIVATE FIRST CLASS DECEMBER FOUR SIXTYFOUR AND TRANSFERRED TO
USMCR DECEMBER FIVE SIXTYFOUR. DISCHARGED FROM USMCR JULY
EIGHTEEN SIXTYFIVE. RELEASE FROM ACTIVE DUTY WAS FOR CONVENIENCE
OF GOVERNMENT AND UNDER HONORABLE CONDITIONS; HE WAS RECOMMENDED
FOR RE-ENLISTMENT.

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SUBJECT AWARDED A GOOD CONDUCT MEDAL, MC EXPEDITIONARY MEDAL, SHARP SHOOTERS RIFLE BADGE, MC SPECIALTY WAS RIFLEMAN.

DURING ACTIVE DUTY HE LOST A TOTAL OF THIRTEEN DAYS FROM NOVEMBER ONE SIXTYTHREE TO NOVEMBER FOURTEEN SIXTYTHREE AT WHICH TIME HE WAS RESTRICTED. A PERIOD IN EXCESS OF LEAVE STATUS WAS SHOWN TO BE SEPTEMBER NINETEEN SIXTYFOUR TO SEPTEMBER TWENTY SIXTYFOUR. SUBJECT GRANTED SECRET SECURITY CLEARANCE FEBRUARY TWENTY SIXTYONE ON BASIS OF SATISFACTORY NATIONAL AGENCY CHECK BY DIO TENTH NAVAL DISTRICT.

ON FEBRUARY TWO SIXTYONE SUBJECT MADE APPLICATION FOR NAVY ENLISTMENT SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM (NESP) AND WAS ACCEPTED. ON MARCH TWENTYTWO SIXTYTWO WAS PLACED ON ACADEMIC PROBATION FOR HAVING A GRADE BELOW C AND FOR FAILURE TO MAINTAIN MINIMUM OVERALL ACADEMIC AVERAGE.

NAVAL RESERVE OFFICER
TRAINING CORPS UNIT, UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS, WAS OF OPINION THAT
SUBJECT'S HOSPITALIZATION MIGHT HAVE EFFECTED HIS GRADES.

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☐ RECOMMENDED NO ACTION ON SUBJECT'S DISENROLLMENT.

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ON FEBRUARY SEVEN SIXTYTHREE IT WAS RECOMMENDED AND APPROVED THAT SUBJECT IS DISENROLLED FROM THE NESP. SUBJECT THEN REQUESTED EARLY RELEASE FROM MARINE CORPS IN ORDER TO PURSUE HIS EDUCATION. RECORD CONTAINS CONSIDERABLE CORRESPONDENCE CONCERNING THIS MATTER; REQUEST WAS DISAPPROVED ON MARCH SEVENTEEN SIXTYFOUR.

AS A RESULT OF CID INVESTIGATION NOVEMBER SIXTYTHREE SUBJECT COURT MARTIALLED ON FIFTEEN CHARGES AND SPECIFICATIONS, NAMELY, I.E., WRONGFULLY POSSESSING AMMUNITION, WRONGFULLY POSSESSING A SMALL CALIBER PISTOL, WRONGFULLY POSSESSING A SMALL CALIBER PISTOL ABOARD SHIP, TEN CHARGES OF LENDING MONEY FOR PROFIT, WRONGFULLY COMMUNICATE A THREAT, GAMBLING WITH ☐ HE WAS RESTRICTED FOR THIRTY DAYS TO PERFORM HARD LABOR WITHOUT CONFINEMENT FOR NINETY DAYS AND TO BE REDUCED TO THE RANK OF PRIVATE.

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FROM ST. LOUIS TO DATE; WILL BE REVIEWED UPON ARRIVAL.
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TO : Mr. Gale

DATE: 8-3-66

FROM : W. V. Cleveland *WVC*

SUBJECT: CHARLES JOSEPH WHITMAN
SNIPER - UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS
AUSTIN, TEXAS
AUGUST 1, 1966
INFORMATION CONCERNING

Reference is made to my memorandum dated 8/3/66 which furnished results of investigation at Lake Worth, Florida, and Austin, Texas. Attached to that memorandum was a letter to Marvin Watson setting forth pertinent information developed thus far concerning Whitman and which included copies of two notes which Whitman wrote immediately prior to his multiple murders.

San Antonio Office has advised that the fingerprints of all deceased persons were being forwarded to the FBI Identification Division. The Identification Division has been separately advised concerning this and appropriate stops have been placed to insure that processing of these fingerprints receives expeditious attention.

Information has been developed that the Office of Naval Intelligence (ONI) has a voluminous investigative file concerning Whitman. This file was located in Washington, D. C., early this afternoon and is being reviewed. A cursory check of this file reveals that an investigation of Whitman was conducted by ONI after complaints had been received from his associates in the Marine Corps who indicated he had been charging excessive interest rates for loans, i.e., a loan of \$30 had to be paid off in 30 days with an interest charge of \$15. Statements furnished by one associate indicated Whitman constantly carried a Beretta automatic with him and, on one occasion, threatened to kill one of the individuals who had protested the high interest rates.

In addition, this file contains letters from a number of congressmen and an assistant secretary of the Navy recommending that Whitman be given an early discharge in order that he might return to his college education. It is noted this file was originally at the Military Personnel Records Center, St. Louis, Missouri, until

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Memorandum to Mr. Gale
Re: CHARLES JOSEPH WHITMAN

yesterday and had been sent to Marine Corps Headquarters at the request of the Commandant. This file is being examined in detail and copies of pertinent statements are being prepared which will be transmitted to the White House along with additional facts as they develop.

RECOMMENDATION: For information.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
ATTENTION: ASSISTANT TO THE DIRECTOR DELOACH

FROM: SAC, CHARLOTTE (62-3177)

CHARLES JOSEPH WHITMAN
INFORMATION CONCERNINGReference is made to Miami teletype 8/2/66, and
Charlotte teletype, 8/3/66.The following investigation was conducted by
SAs [] and []

On August 3, 1966, [] Registrar's Office, East Carolina College, Greenville, North Carolina, advised that the subject had taken an extension course at that school during the spring of 1964. She stated that this course was taken by the subject through an extension program offered to the U. S. Marine Corps, Camp Lejeune. She further advised subject never had attended school on campus and would have completed his extension course through Camp Lejeune. The course was American History and the grade received was an "A" which is rated by the school as above average.

On August 3, 1966, [] Identification Division, Kinston Police Department, Kinston, N. C., advised she could locate no records in the PD files identifiable with the subject.

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CE 62-3177

The following investigation was conducted by
SA [] on 8/3/66:

AT CAMP LEJEUNE, N. C.

[]
CID, Camp Lejeune, N. C., advised that his files indicate that CHARLES JOSEPH WHITMAN, MSN 1871634, was the victim of an assault as recorded in complaint number 2720-128-241. A review of this complaint reveals that WHITMAN, WM, DOB 6/24/41, and [] were assaulted by four or five unknown subjects at Camp Lejeune, N. C., at 12:15 AM, 10/8/64. [] escaped injury; however, WHITMAN claimed to have been knocked to the ground and kicked in the head. The CID complaint made out by [] indicates that WHITMAN was treated for a headache and dizzy spells by the Medical Officer of the Day, Building 15, Camp Lejeune, N. C.

[]
Base Dispensary, Camp Lejeune, N. C., advised that his medical sick call log indicates that CHARLES JOSEPH WHITMAN was treated at 1:50 AM on 10/8/64, for head injuries. [] advised that an injury and treatment record indicates that CHARLES JOSEPH WHITMAN, MSN 1871634, was treated for injury in which the patient stated, "While walking, returning from liberty, I was attacked by several men sustaining injuries." The diagnosis revealed abrasions of the right knee. WHITMAN was seen by medical officer, abrasions cleaned with Phisohex, given a neurological examination (negative), and given aspirin for a headache. [] advised that the Medical Officer was [] Medical Corps, U. S. Navy Reserves.

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[redacted] Uncle Sam's Pawn
Shop, Court St., Jacksonville, N. C., advised that CHARLES
JOSEPH WHITMAN was formerly employed as night clerk at
Benard's Clothing Store from approximately August of 1963
until August of 1964.

The following investigation was conducted by
SA [redacted] at Camp Lejeune, N. C., on 8/3/66:

The following persons advised that they could
locate nothing in their files identifiable with the subject:

[redacted] Clerk
Credit Bureau
Jacksonville, N. C.

[redacted] Clerk
Jacksonville Police Department
Jacksonville, N. C.

[redacted] Investigator
Division CID
Camp Lejeune, N. C.

[redacted]
Patient Affairs Division
U. S. Naval Hospital
Camp Lejeune, N. C.

[redacted] Corrections Officer, the
Brig, Camp Lejeune, N. C., advised that he located a personnel

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data card on the subject and that a review of it revealed the following information:

Name	CHARLES JOSEPH WHITMAN
Rank	Corporal (E-14)
MSN	1871634
Military Address	H Co., 2nd Marines, 2nd Battalion, 2nd Marine Division, Camp Lejeune, N. C.
Race	White
Sex	Male
Age	25
Height	71½"
Weight	195 pounds
Eyes	Blue
Hair	Blond
Complexion	Medium
Religion	Catholic
Education	14 years
Marital Status	Married
GTC Score	138
Scars and Marks	Scar on right knee cap
MOS	0311 (Infantry rifleman)
Social Security No.	262 60 9109

[redacted] advised WHITMAN was confined to the Brig at Camp Lejeune, N. C., from 11/1/63, to 11/14/63. He advised he was never a sentenced prisoner and was being detained under Article 134, Uniform Code of Military Justice, which is a general catchall type area. [redacted] stated that the records concerning WHITMAN while confined at the Brig have since been destroyed.

[redacted]
2nd Marine Division, Camp Lejeune, N. C., advised according to his records CHARLES JOSEPH WHITMAN, MSN 1871634, was given a special courts-martial, non-bad conduct discharge on 12/30/63.

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He mentioned that the transcript of the courts-martial proceedings had been transferred during April, 1964, to the Navy Branch, Federal Military Personnel Records Center, 9700 Page Blvd., St. Louis, Mo. He mentioned that he does not recall this specific courts-martial and stated he does not believe there is anyone assigned to the Legal Division that was here during that time.

[redacted] Headquarters Battalion, 2nd Marine Division, Camp Lejeune, advised that he has been [redacted] that unit during the past eleven months. He mentioned that the only person within Headquarters Battalion who may recall the subject would be [redacted]

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[redacted]
Headquarters Bn., 2nd Marine Division, Camp Lejeune, N. C., advised he has been in his present unit since 7/28/64. He recalled the subject who was assigned as a quotas clerk in Headquarters Bn., 2nd Marine Div., Camp Lejeune, N. C. He described WHITMAN as a hard worker, extremely intelligent and became easily angered when things went wrong. He mentioned that WHITMAN was definitely not a Marine Corps-minded individual and he wanted out of the Marine Corps. He recalled that WHITMAN attended the University of Texas at Austin, Texas, under the Navy Enlisted Scientific Program (NESEP) for approximately two years. He described this program as being a program for enlisted men in the Navy or Marine Corps who are sent to civilian colleges to acquire an education. He mentioned that WHITMAN even though averaged about a "B" while attending the college, did not meet the minimum grade point average as required by the Marine Corps for this program. He recalled that WHITMAN had advised him that he had done some gambling while at the University of Texas and that is the reason his average was low.

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[redacted] stated that WHITMAN was court-martialed for loaning money at a high rate of interest. He recalled that WHITMAN did not go to Spain with the rest of the regiment and was left behind in Sub Unit 1, Headquarters Bn., 2nd Marine Div. from October through November, 1964. He mentioned that [redacted] who is now stationed at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, was WHITMAN's immediate supervisor while WHITMAN was in Headquarters Battalion.

He mentioned that [redacted] Battalion Supply, 2nd Marine Div., may have been acquainted with WHITMAN.

[redacted] stated that [redacted] of Headquarters Bn., at the time WHITMAN was discharged from the Marine Corps, gave WHITMAN a letter of recommendation because he considered him such a capable worker.

[redacted] 2nd Bn., 2nd Marines, 2nd Marine Div., Camp Lejeune, N. C., advised the only person who may have known WHITMAN is [redacted] H Company, 2nd Bn., 2nd Marines. He advised that [redacted] of a Sub Unit because the rest of the regiment is presently on a Mediterranean cruise.

[redacted] East Carolina College Center, Camp Lejeune, N. C., advised that according to his registration information, CHARLES JOSEPH WHITMAN, MSN 1871634, Headquarters Co., Headquarters Bn., 2nd Marine Div., Camp Lejeune, N. C., filed an application on 4/6/64, to attend an American History Since 1865 course which was being offered from April to June, 1964. He advised that WHITMAN attended the course with 29 other students and received an "A" for completion of the course. He mentioned

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that WHITMAN was given three credits and 15 quality points for completion of the course. He mentioned that [REDACTED] Greenville, N. C., instructed the course and stated he could be located through the East Carolina College Extension Office at Greenville, N. C. He advised that the names of the other 29 students which attended the American History course with WHITMAN are readily available at his, [REDACTED] office.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI AND SAC, CHARLOTTE, SAC, COLUMBIA,
SAC, MIAMI AND SAC, SAN ANTONIO (62-3239)
ATTENTION: ASSISTANT TO THE DIRECTOR DE LOACH

FROM: SAC, WFO (62-9475)

CHARLES JOSEPH WHITMAN; INFORMATION CONCERNING; OO: SAN
ANTONIO.

FOR INFO CHARLOTTE AND COLUMBIA SUBJECT HAS BEEN IDENTIFIED
AS SNIPER WHO KILLED AT LEAST THIRTEEN PERSONS AND WOUNDED AT
LEAST THIRTYTWO OTHERS FROM OBSERVATION DECK, UNIVERSITY OF
TEXAS TOWER BUILDING, AUSTIN, TEXAS, AUGUST ONE LAST.

SUBJECT SUBSEQUENTLY KILLED BY AUSTIN POLICE DEPARTMENT
OFFICERS. EVERY BUREAU ASSISTANCE POSSIBLE INCLUDING SERVICES
OF IDENTIFICATION DIVISION, LABORATORY AND COVERAGE OF OUT OF
STATE LEADS HAS BEEN OFFERED TO LOCAL AUTHORITIES IN AUSTIN,
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SUBJECT BORN JUNE TWENTYFOUR FORTYONE AT LAKE WORTH, PALM BEACH, FLORIDA; SERVED USMC, SERIAL NUMBER ONE EIGHT SEVEN ONE SIX THREE FOUR, WAS STATIONED CAMP LEJEUNE, NORTH CAROLINA, OCTOBER FIFTYNINE TO DECEMBER FIFTYNINE. RESIDED OFF BASE AT ONE ONE ONE C MORTON AVENUE, JACKSONVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA, MARCH SIXTYTHREE TO JULY SIXTYTHREE AND EMPLOYED JANUARY SIXTYFOUR TO OCTOBER SIXTYFOUR BERNARD'S CLOTHING, JACKSONVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA.

CHARLOTTE CHECK POLICE AND CREDIT RECORDS.

SERVED IN USMC, PARRIS ISLAND, SOUTH CAROLINA, JULY FIFTYNINE TO OCTOBER FIFTYNINE.

COLUMBIA CHECK CREDIT AND POLICE AGENCIES.

RESIDED EIGHT TWO ZERO SOUTH L STREET, LAKE WORTH, FLORIDA, JUNE FORTYSEVEN TO JULY FIFTYNINE.

MIAMI CHECK CREDIT AND POLICE AGENCIES.

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FOR INFORMATION SAN ANTONIO, HIS RECORDS SHOW BROTHERS
PATRICK G. WHITMAN, BORN APRIL NINETEEN FORTYFIVE AND JOHN M.
WHITMAN, BORN JANUARY EIGHTEEN FORTYNINE; BOTH AT LAKE WORTH,
FLORIDA.

SUBJECT ATTENDED SACRED HEART CATHOLIC SCHOOL AND SAINT
ANN'S HIGH SCHOOL, LAKE WORTH AND WEST PALM BEACH, FLORIDA,
RESPECTIVELY.

SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER TWO SIX TWO - SIX ZERO - NINE ONE
ZERO NINE. AIR MAIL COPIES TO CHARLOTTE, COLUMBIA, MIAMI AND
SAN ANTONIO.

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TO DIRECTOR

FROM SAN ANTONIO (62-3239) 6 PAGES

CHARLES JOSEPH WHITMAN. INFORMATION CONCERNING.

ATTENTION ASSISTANT TO THE DIRECTOR DE LOACH.

RE SAN ANTONIO TELETYPES AUGUST TWO, LAST, AND
AUGUST THREE, INSTANT.

TODAY ONE SET OF COLOR SLIDES WERE RECEIVED BY
AUSTIN, TEXAS POLICE DEPARTMENT WHICH HAD BEEN DEVELOPED
IN DALLAS, TEXAS, FROM ROLL OF COLOR FILM TAKEN FROM
CAMERA WHICH WAS FOUND IN SUBJECT'S APARTMENT, NINE
ZERO SIX JEWELL STREET, AUSTIN, TEXAS. ACCORDING TO
AUSTIN POLICE DEPARTMENT, COLOR SLIDES WERE PHOTOGRAPHS
OF SUBJECT, HIS WIFE, AND UNIDENTIFIED INDIVIDUALS TAKEN
NEAR ALAMO AND AT ALAMO, SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, AND AT
SUBJECT'S HOME AT AUSTIN, TEXAS. SLIDES WILL BE TURNED
OVER TO FAMILY. CHIEF R. A. MILES, AUSTIN, TEXAS POLICE
DEPARTMENT, MAKING AVAILABLE NEGATIVES WHICH WILL BE
FORWARDED TO BUREAU AND COPIES MAY BE MADE BY BUREAU.
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CHIEF MILES REQUESTED NEGATIVES BE RETURNED TO HIM.
NEGATIVES WILL NOT BE COLORED.

DEPUTY CHIEF OF POLICE R. B. LAWS, AUSTIN, TEXAS
POLICE DEPARTMENT, ADVISED THAT STUDDMAN PHOTO SERVICE,
AUSTIN, TEXAS, WHO FORWARDED ANOTHER ROLL OF COLOR
FILM FOUND AT SUBJECT'S RESIDENCE TO EASTMAN
KODAK, ROCHESTER, NEW YORK, FOR DEVELOPMENT, RECEIVED
TELEGRAM FROM EASTMAN KODAK THAT ROLL OF FILM CONSISTS
OF COLORED VACATION SCENES. FILM BEING SENT BY
EASTMAN KODAK AIRMAIL TO AUSTIN TODAY. REQUEST WILL BE
MADE FOR COPIES WHEN RECEIVED.

CHIEF MILES SAID COLORED SLIDES WILL NOT BE RELEASED TO
PRESS OR PUBLIC BECAUSE HE FEELS IT IS A PRIVATE FAMILY MATTER
AND RELEASE WOULD BE INVASION OF PRIVACY. SLIDES WILL BE
TURNED OVER TO FAMILY.

ACCORDING TO AUSTIN, TEXAS POLICE DEPARTMENT, THERE
WERE ONLY THREE GROUPS OF PHOTOS. ONE SET OF BLACK
AND WHITE FILM MENTIONED IN SAN ANTONIO TELETYPE TO BUREAU
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TWO FIFTYFOUR P.M., AUGUST TWO, LAST; A SET OF COLORED SLIDES MENTIONED ABOVE; AND A ROLL OF COLOR FILM CURRENTLY BEING RETURNED BY EASTMAN KODAK COMPANY TO AUSTIN, MENTIONED ABOVE.

FROM INFORMATION AVAILABLE, ACCORDING TO AUSTIN POLICE DEPARTMENT, NONE OF THE FILM CONTAIN DATA OF EVIDENTIARY VALUE.

CHIEF MILES STATED AT ELEVEN TWENTY A.M. TODAY GOVERNOR CONNALLY OF TEXAS CALLED CONFERENCE OF INDIVIDUALS, WHICH INCLUDED MR. W. W. HEATH, CHAIRMAN, BOARD OF REGENTS, UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS; COLONEL HOMER GARRISON, DIRECTOR, AND LT. COLONEL WILSON E. SPEIR, ASSISTANT DIRECTOR, TEXAS DPS; MAYOR LESTER PALMER, AUSTIN; MR. DORAN ESKEW, CITY ATTORNEY OF AUSTIN; AND MILES. PURPOSE OF CONFERENCE TO GIVE GOVERNOR CONNALLY BRIEFING OF CASE SINCE HE WAS OUT OF COUNTRY AT TIME IT OCCURRED AND ALSO TO DETERMINE IF THERE IS ANYTHING THAT HAS NOT BEEN RELEASED TO PRESS OR PUBLIC WHICH COULD BE RELEASED. GOVERNOR CONNALLY AGREED WITH THOSE PRESENT THAT

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WHAT HAS BEEN WITHHELD, SUCH AS NOTES LEFT BY SUBJECT AND COLOR SLIDES, SHOULD BE WITHHELD. GOVERNOR CONNALLY ALSO WANTED TO ESTABLISH TO PRESS THAT ALL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS ARE UNITED AND WORKING TOGETHER. GOVERNOR CONNALLY INDICATED AT CONFERENCE THAT HE CAME BACK FROM SOUTH AMERICAN TRIP BECAUSE THERE COULD BE CRITICISM OF HIM ~~if~~ HE HAD NOT RETURNED. A PRESS CONFERENCE FOLLOWED AND ONE REPORTER ~~R~~ ASKED GOVERNOR CONNALLY IF FBI CONDUCTING INVESTIGATION IN THIS CASE. CONNALLY ASKED CHIEF MILES TO ANSWER QUESTION AND CLARIFY FBI'S POSITION. CHIEF MILES SAID FBI NOT CONDUCTING INVESTIGATION, BUT HAS OFFERED FACILITIES OF FBI LAB AND IDENTIFICATION DIVISION AND IS COVERING OUT OF STATE LEADS REQUESTED BY HIS DEPARTMENT AS WELL AS DPS AND THAT FBI HAD BEEN MOST COOPERATIVE. FBI PERSONNEL NOT REQUESTED AND DID NOT ATTEND CONFERENCE.

WITH REFERENCE TO EXAMINATION OF SUBJECT'S BRAIN AND TUMOR, CHIEF MILES STATED SUBJECT'S BODY AND SUBJECT'S
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MOTHERS'S BODY WERE SENT TO LAKE WORTH, FLORIDA, BY PLANE TODAY AT TWELVE FORTY P.M., CST. SUBJECT'S BRAIN IS WITH SUBJECT'S BODY. TUMOR TO BE TAKEN BY DR. C. DE CHENAR, PATHOLOGIST, AUSTIN, TEXAS, TO M. D. ANDERSON CENTER, HOUSTON, TEXAS, FOR EXAMINATION. ARRANGEMENT CONCERNING EXAMINATION OF TUMOR BEING HANDLED BY CHAIRMAN OF BOARD OF REGENTS HEATH.

TODAY MAJOR K. R. HERBERT, COMMANDING OFFICER, CID, AUSTIN, TEXAS POLICE DEPARTMENT, ADVISED REPORTER AT AUSTIN, AMERICAN NEWSPAPER AND REPORTER AT KTBC RADIO THAT PHOTOS WERE NOT TURNED OVER TO FBI, BUT WERE SENT TO EASTMAN KODAK, ROCHESTER, NEW YORK, BY AUSTIN, TEXAS POLICE DEPARTMENT.

TODAY MR. TOM BLACKWELL, DISTRICT ATTORNEY, TRAVIS COUNTY, AUSTIN, TEXAS, ADVISED INSTANT CASE WILL BE PRESENTED BEFORE TRAVIS COUNTY GRAND JURY AT TWO P.M. TOMORROW FOR PURPOSE OF DETERMINING JUSTIFICATION OF
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WORD TEN SHOULD BE "SENT"~~

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SHOOTING WHITMAN BY POLICE OFFICERS. THIS IS REQUIRED UNDER TEXAS LAW AND IS NOTHING MORE THAN TO DETERMINE THAT EVERYTHING WAS DONE PROPERLY.

CONTENTS OF MIAMI TELETYPE TO BUREAU FIVE FIFTYTHREE P.M. TODAY, WFO TELETYPE TO BUREAU, ST. LOUIS, SAN ANTONIO, AND HOUSTON SIX FORTYONE P.M. TODAY, AND HOUSTON TELETYPE TO BUREAU, ST. LOUIS, SAN ANTONIO, AND WFO SIX THIRTYFOUR P.M. TODAY BEING FURNISHED ORALLY TO DPS AND AUSTIN POLICE DEPARTMENT, AUSTIN, TEXAS AND WILL BE CONFIRMED IN WRITING.

BUREAU WILL BE KEPT PROMPTLY ADVISED OF FURTHER PERTINENT DEVELOPMENTS.

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CC: MR. GALE & Mr Conrad

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TO BUREAU; ATTENTION--ASSISTANT TO THE DIRECTOR DELOACH
FROM CHARLOTTE (62-3177)

CHARLES JOSEPH WHITMAN, INFORMATION CONCERNING.

RE MIAMI TELETYPE AUGUST TWO, SIXTYSIX.

[REDACTED] REGISTRAR'S OFFICE, EAST CAROLINA

COLLEGE, GREENVILLE, N.C., ADVISED SUBJECT TOOK
EXTENSION COURSE DURING SPRING OF SIXTYFOUR. STATED COURSE
WAS TAKEN BY SUBJECT THROUGH EXTENSION PROGRAM OFFERED BY
USMC, CAMP LEJEUNE, N.C. SHE FURTHER ADVISED SUBJECT
HAD NEVER ATTENDED SCHOOL ON CAMPUS AND WOULD HAVE
COMPLETED EXTENSION COURSE THROUGH CAMP LEJEUNE. COURSE WAS
AMERICAN HISTORY AND GRADE RECEIVED WAS AN "A", WHICH WAS
RATED ABOVE AVERAGE. NO IDENTIFICATION RECORD RELATIVE TO
SUBJECT LOCATED, GREENVILLE OR KINSTON, N.C.

INVESTIGATION, CAMP LEJEUNE CONTINUING AND WILL BE IMMEDIATELY
SUBMITTED BY AIRTEL.

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6:32 PM CST URGENT 8-3-66 OET

TO: DIRECTOR, ST. LOUIS (62-4601), SAN ANTONIO (62-3239)
AND WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE (62-9475)

FROM: SAC, HOUSTON 1P

CHARLES JOSEPH WHITMAN, INFORMATION CONCERNING.

RE WASHINGTON FIELD TEL TO BUREAU TODAY.

POLICE, SHERIFF'S OFFICE, AND CREDIT BUREAU RECORDS,
HOUSTON, NEGATIVE ON WHITMAN.

PERSONNEL, NASA, HOUSTON, REPORT NASA TWO ZERO ONE FILE ON
WHITMAN AT FRC, ST. LOUIS. ONLY RECORD PRESENTLY AVAILABLE
AT NASA REFLECTS EMPLOYMENT THERE DURING SUMMER NINETEEN
SIXTYFIVE, EXACT DATES UNAVAILABLE. RUC.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, WFO (62-9475)

ATTENTION: ASSISTANT
TO THE DIRECTOR DE LOACH

CHARLES JOSEPH WHITMAN
INFORMATION CONCERNING

ReSLtel 8/2/66.

Enclosed for the Bureau, San Antonio, and Resident
Agency Austin, Texas, are the following:

Copy of ~~CID~~ investigation November,
1963, obtained from NIS Headquarters,
concerning subject.

Copy of Standard Form 86 obtained
from Bureau of Personnel Investiga-
tions. GGD.

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1 - Resident Agency Austin - Attention: GEORGE CARLSON
1 - WFO
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INSTRUCTIONS.—Prepare in triplicate, using a typewriter. Fill in all items. If the answer is "No" or "None," so state. If more space is needed for any item, continue under item 28.

1. FULL NAME (Initials and abridgements of full name are not acceptable. If no middle name, show "(NMN)"; if initials only, show "(no given or middle name)"	(LAST NAME) Whitman	(FIRST NAME) Charles	(MIDDLE NAME) Joseph	2. DATE OF BIRTH 6-24-41
OTHER NAMES USED: (Maiden name, names by former marriages, former names changed legally or otherwise, aliases, nicknames, etc. Specify which, and show dates used.) None				3. PLACE OF BIRTH Lake Worth, Fla.
				4. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MALE <input type="checkbox"/> FEMALE
				5. HEIGHT 5'11"
				WEIGHT 186
				COLOR EYES blue
				COLOR HAIR black
6. <input type="checkbox"/> SINGLE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MARRIED <input type="checkbox"/> WIDOW(ER) <input type="checkbox"/> DIVORCED	7. IF MARRIED, WIDOWED, OR DIVORCED, GIVE FULL NAME AND DATE AND PLACE OF BIRTH OF SPOUSE OR FORMER SPOUSE. INCLUDE WIFE'S MAIDEN NAME. GIVE DATE AND PLACE OF MARRIAGE OR DIVORCE. (Give same information regarding all previous marriages and divorces.) Kathleen Frances (Leissner) Whitman, D&POB: Valdosa (now Freeport), Texas D&POB: 8-17-62, Needville, Texas			

8. DATES AND PLACES OF RESIDENCE. (If actual places of residence differ from the mailing addresses, furnish and identify both. Begin with present and go back to January 1, 1937. Continue under item 28 on other side if necessary.)

FROM	TO	NUMBER AND STREET	CITY	STATE
12-64	Present	1001 Shelley Ave., Apt. A	Austin	Texas
7-59	12-64	U.S. Marine Corps		
*3-63	7-63	111 C Morton Ave.	Jacksonville N.C.	
*9-61	8-62	Goodall Wooten Dorm.	Austin	Texas
*8-62	3-63	806 Nelson Ave.	Austin	Texas
6-47	7-59	820 South "L" St.	Lake Worth	Fla.
2-43	6-47	??	Belle Glade	Fla.
1-42	2-43	Commerce Ave.	Pt. Wentworth	Ga.
8-41	1-42	??	Bradenton	Fla.
6-41	8-41	??	W. Palm Beach	Fla.

* Off-post residences while in active USMC

9.	<input type="checkbox"/> BY BIRTH <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> XX	<input type="checkbox"/> NATURALIZED	ALIEN REGISTRATION NO.	DATE, PLACE, AND COURT
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<input type="checkbox"/> ALIEN	REGISTRATION NO.	NATIVE COUNTRY	DATE AND PORT OF ENTRY	

10. EDUCATION. (All schools above elementary.)

NAME OF SCHOOL	ADDRESS	FROM (Year)	TO (Year)	DEGREES
St. Ann Hi. Sch.	W. Palm Beach, Fla.	9-55	5-59	
Univ. of Texas	Austin, Texas	9-61	2-63	
Univ. of Texas	"	2-65	Present	

11. THIS SPACE FOR FBI USE (See also item 29.)

12. SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER

262-60-9109

13. MILITARY SERVICE (Past or present)

SERIAL NO.
(If none, give grade or rating at separation)

Past

BRANCH OF SERVICE
(Army, Navy, Air Force, etc.)

FROM (Yr.)

TO (Yr.)

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U.S. Marine Corps

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14. HAVE YOU EVER BEEN DISCHARGED FROM THE ARMED FORCES UNDER OTHER THAN HONORABLE CONDITIONS? ☐ YES ☒ NO.
(If answer is "Yes," give details in item 28.)

15. EMPLOYMENT. (List ALL employment dates starting with your present employment. Give both month and year for all dates. Show ALL dates and addresses when unemployed. Give name under which employed if different from name now used.)

FROM	TO	NAME OF EMPLOYER (Firm or agency) AND SUPERVISOR (Full name, if known)	ADDRESS (Where employed)	TYPE OF WORK	REASON FOR LEAVING
4-65	Present	Austin Nat'l Bank Eddie Hendricks	Austin, Texas	Teller	
4-65	4-65	Central Freight Lines Mr. Pruett	Austin, Texas	Freight	unable to keep up studies.
1-65	4-65	Standard Finance Co. G.L. Langford	Austin, Texas	Collector	Co. was cutting expenses
12-64	1-65	Scarbrough's Dept. Store J. O Cullen	Austin, Texas	Salesman	seek other employment
*1-64	10-64	Bernard's Clothing Roosevelt Daugherty	Jacksonville, N.C.	Salesman	Marine Corps duties
7-59	12-64	U.S. Marine Corps			
5-59	7-59	Unemployed			
1-59	5-59	High School student			

* Part-time while in the USMC, while stationed at Camp Lejeune, N.C.

16. HAVE YOU EVER BEEN DISCHARGED (FIRED) FROM EMPLOYMENT FOR ANY REASON? ☐ YES ☒ NO.

17. HAVE YOU EVER RESIGNED (QUIT) AFTER BEING INFORMED THAT YOUR EMPLOYER INTENDED TO DISCHARGE (FIRE) YOU FOR ANY REASON? ☐ YES ☒ NO.
(If your answer to 16 or 17 above is "Yes" give details in item 28. Show the name and address of employer, approximate date, and reasons in each case. This information should agree with the statements made in item 15—EMPLOYMENT.)

18. HAVE YOU EVER BEEN ARRESTED, TAKEN INTO CUSTODY, HELD FOR INVESTIGATION OR QUESTIONING, OR CHARGED BY ANY LAW ENFORCEMENT AUTHORITY?
(You may omit: (1) Traffic violations for which you paid a fine of \$30 or less; and (2) anything that happened before your 16th birthday. All other incidents must be included, even though they were dismissed or you merely forfeited collateral.) ☒ YES ☐ NO.

IF YOUR ANSWER IS "YES," GIVE FULL DETAILS BELOW:

DATE	CHARGE	PLACE	LAW ENFORCEMENT AUTHORITY	ACTION TAKEN
11-28-61	"Unlawful possession of a deer"	Austin, Texas	Game Warden, Travis County	Fined \$100 plus court costs

19. HAVE YOU EVER HAD A NERVOUS BREAKDOWN OR HAVE YOU EVER HAD MEDICAL TREATMENT FOR A MENTAL CONDITION? ☐ YES ☒ NO.
(If your answer is "Yes," give details in item 28.)

20. FOREIGN COUNTRIES VISITED (SINCE 1930). (Exclusive of military service.)

COUNTRY

DATE LEFT U.S.A.

DATE RETURNED U.S.A.

PURPOSE

None

21. ARE YOU NOW, OR HAVE YOU EVER BEEN, A MEMBER OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY, U.S.A., OR ANY COMMUNIST OR FASCIST ORGANIZATION? ☐ YES ☒ NO.

22. ARE YOU NOW OR HAVE YOU EVER BEEN A MEMBER OF ANY FOREIGN OR DOMESTIC ORGANIZATION, ASSOCIATION, MOVEMENT, GROUP, OR COMBINATION OF PERSONS WHICH IS TOTALITARIAN, FASCIST, COMMUNIST, OR SUBVERSIVE, OR WHICH HAS ADOPTED, OR SHOWS, A POLICY OF ADVOCATING OR APPROVING THE COMMISSION OF ACTS OF FORCE OR VIOLENCE TO DENY OTHER PERSONS THEIR RIGHTS UNDER THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES, OR WHICH SEEKS TO ALTER THE FORM OF GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES BY UNCONSTITUTIONAL MEANS? ☐ YES ☒ NO.

23. IF YOUR ANSWER TO QUESTION 21 OR 22 ABOVE IS "YES," STATE THE NAMES OF ALL SUCH ORGANIZATIONS, ASSOCIATIONS, MOVEMENTS, GROUPS, OR COMBINATIONS OF PERSONS AND DATES OF MEMBERSHIP. IN ITEM 28 OR ON A SEPARATE SHEET TO BE ATTACHED TO AND MADE A PART OF THIS FORM, GIVE COMPLETE DETAILS OF YOUR ACTIVITIES THEREIN AND MAKE ANY EXPLANATION YOU DESIRE REGARDING YOUR MEMBERSHIP OR ACTIVITIES.

NAME

ADDRESS

FROM

TO

OFFICE HELD

24. MEMBERSHIP IN OTHER ORGANIZATIONS. (List all organizations in which you are now a member or have been a member, except those which show religious or political affiliations.) (If none, so state.)

NAME

ADDRESS

TYPE

FROM

TO

OFFICE HELD

American Assn. Architectural Engineers	Austin, Texas	Student	1-65	Present	
Boy Scouts of America	Austin, Texas Troop #5	Troop	1-65	Present	Scoutmaster

25. RELATIVES. (Parents, spouse, divorced spouse, children, brothers, and sisters, living or dead. Name of spouse should include maiden name and any other names by previous marriage. If person is dead, state "dead" after relationship and furnish information for other columns as of time of death.)

RELATION

NAME IN FULL

YEAR OF BIRTH

ADDRESS

COUNTRY OF BIRTH

PRESENT CITIZENSHIP

Wife	Kathleen Frances Whitman (Leissner)	1943	1001 Shelley Ave., Austin, Texas	US	US
				US	US
Father	Charles A. Whitman, Jr.	1919	P.O. Box 1488, Lake Worth, Fla.	US	US
Mother	Margaret E. Whitman	1922	"	US	US
Brother	Patrick G. Whitman	1945	"	US	US
Brother	John Michael Whitman	1943	"	US	US

26. REFERENCES. (Name three persons, not relatives or employers, who are well acquainted with you.)

NAME IN FULL

HOME ADDRESS

BUSINESS ADDRESS

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27. TO YOUR KNOWLEDGE, HAVE YOU EVER BEEN THE SUBJECT OF A FULL FIELD OR BACKGROUND PERSONAL INVESTIGATION BY ANY AGENCY OF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT? ☒ YES ☐ NO. (If your answer is "Yes," show in item 28, (1) the name of the investigating agency (2) the approximate date of investigation, and (3) the level of security clearance granted, if known.)

28. SPACE FOR CONTINUING ANSWERS TO OTHER QUESTIONS. (Show item numbers to which answers apply. Attach a separate sheet if there is not enough space here.)

Item 27. National Agency Check; 1960; Secret; USMC

29. REPORT OF INFORMATION DEVELOPED. (This space reserved for FBI use.)

DATE:

Before signing this form check back over it to make sure you have answered all questions fully and correctly.

CERTIFICATION

I CERTIFY that the statements made by me on this form are true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief, and are made in good faith.

False statement on this form
is punishable by law.

May 27, 1965

(DATE)

(SIGNATURE—Sign original and first carbon copy)

INFORMATION TO BE FURNISHED BY AGENCY

INSTRUCTIONS TO AGENCY: See Federal Personnel Manual Chapter 736 and FPM Supplement 296-31, Appendix A, for details on when this form is required and how it is used. If this is a request for investigation before appointment, insert "APPL" in the space for Date of Appointment and show information about the proposed appointment in the other spaces for appointment data. The original and the first carbon copy should be signed by the applicant or appointee. Submit the original and the unsigned carbon copy of the form, Standard Form 87 (Fingerprint Chart), and any investigative information about the person received on voucher forms or otherwise, to the United States Civil Service Commission, Bureau of Personnel Investigations, Washington 25, D.C. If this is a request for full field security investigation, submit these forms to the attention of the Division of Reimbursable Investigations; if this is a request for preappointment national agency checks, submit these forms to the attention of the Control Section.

RETAIN THE CARBON COPY OF STANDARD FORM 86 (SIGNED BY THE APPLICANT OR APPOINTEE) FOR YOUR FILES

DATE OF APPOINTMENT Applicant	TYPE OF APPOINTMENT <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EXCEPTED <input type="checkbox"/> COMPETITIVE. (Include indefinite and temporary types of competitive appointments.)	CIVIL SERVICE REGULATION NUMBER OR OTHER APPOINTMENT AUTHORITY Sch. A, Sec. 213.3102(a)	TITLE OF POSITION AND GRADE OR SALARY Engineering Aid, GS-3
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DEPARTMENT OR AGENCY NASA	DUTY STATION Manned Spacecraft Center Clear Lake, Texas	SEND RESULTS OF PREAPPOINTMENT CHECK TO: National Aeronautics & Space Administration Manned Spacecraft Center Houston, Texas 77058 Attn: Charles A. Buckel, Security Officer
THIS IS A SENSITIVE POSITION Charles A. Buckel Security Officer		

(SIGNATURE AND TITLE OF AUTHORIZED AGENCY OFFICIAL)

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Date: 8/3/66

Transmit the following in PLAINTEXT
(Type in plaintext or code)Via TELETYPE URGENT
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
SAC, ST. LOUIS (62-4601)
SAN ANTONIO (62-3239)
HOUSTON

ATTENTION: ASSISTANT
TO THE DIRECTOR
DE LOACH

FROM: SAC, WFO (62-9475)

CHARLES JOSEPH WHITMAN, INFORMATION CONCERNING.

RE ST. LOUIS TEL AUGUST TWO.

CSC DISCLOSES WHITMAN BORN JUNE TWENTYFOUR, FORTHONE,
LAKE WORTH, FLORIDA. INVESTIGATED FOR POSITION OF ENGINEERING
AIDE, NASA, HOUSTON, TEXAS. ST. LOUIS REVIEW FILE AT FRC.
HOUSTON CHECK CREDIT AND POLICE AGENCIES. ADVISE BUREAU
AND SAN ANTONIO.

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CC: MR. GALE

MR. DELOACH FOR THE DIRECTOR

Approved: [Signature]
Special Agent in Charge

Sent _____ M Per _____

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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

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Mr. DeLoach _____
Mr. Mohr _____
Mr. Wick _____
Mr. Casper _____
Mr. Callahan _____
Mr. Conrad _____
Mr. Felt _____
Mr. Gale _____
Mr. Rosen _____
Mr. Sullivan _____
Mr. Tavel _____
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FBI MIAMI

553 PM EST URGENT 8/3/66 PJR
TO DIRECTOR /ATTN: ASST. TO DIRECTOR DE LOACH/ AND
SAN ANTONIO /62-3239/
FROM MIAMI /62-5533/ -3P-

CHARLES JOSEPH WHITMAN, INFORMATION CONCERNING.

RE MIAMI TEL AUGUST TWO LAST AND SAN ANTONIO TEL
AUGUST THREE INSTANT.

SUBJECT'S FATHER IN INTERVIEW WITH BUREAU AGENT STATES POINT
THREE FIVE CALIBER RIFLE, M DASH ONE CARBINE AND SIX POINT THREE
FIVE CALIBER PISTOL BELONG TO HIM AND WERE GIVEN TO SUBJECT TO USE
IN HUNTING. THE SIX MILLIMETER RIFLE WITH SCOPE SIGHT PURCHASED BY
SUBJECT AT CHUCK'S GUN SHOP, AUSTIN, TEXAS, JUNE, SIXTYFIVE,
THE SAME DATE SUBJECT'S FATHER PURCHASED SIMILAR RIFLE
THERE FOR HUNTING. THE LUGER AND THE POINT THREE FIVE SEVEN
MAGNUM WERE GUNS SUBJECT PICKED UP WHILE IN USMC. LUGER
BELIEVED PURCHASED GUANTANAMO BAY. NO SPECIFIC INFORMATION
RE MAGNUM. SUBJECT'S FATHER KNEW NOTHING RE TWELVE GAUGE
SHOTGUN EXCEPT THAT NEWSPAPER STATED SUBJECT PURCHASED IT
IN AUSTIN DAY OF SHOOTING.

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MR. WHITMAN VOICED DESIRE TO ULTIMATELY RETRIEVE ALL GUNS FROM TEXAS AUTHORITIES. HE STATES INTENDS TO LEAVE FOR AUSTIN SUNDAY, AUGUST SEVEN NEXT, TO ARRIVE BY AIR MORNING AUGUST EIGHT. INTENDS TO CONTACT AUSTIN PD AUGUST SEVEN RE ARRIVAL AND WILL BE TRAVELING UNDER ASSUMED NAME. HE WOULD LIKE ARRANGE TO BE MET ON ARRIVAL BY AUSTIN PD AND IS MAKING TRIP TO TALK TO PD AND RETRIEVE BELONGINGS OF WIFE AND SON. AUSTIN PD CAPTAIN, NAME UNKNOWN, HAS BEEN IN TELEPHONIC CONTACT WITH HIM.

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] VOLUNTARILY

APPEARED AT FBI RA, WEST PALM BEACH, FLA., THIS DATE AND STATED THEY WATCHED SUBJECT GROW UP, DESCRIBED HIM AS FINE BOY AND RECALLED NOTHING TO INDICATE LACK OF STABILITY. THEY STATE SUBJECT'S FATHER CAUSE OF RECENT INCIDENT AND VOICED BELIEF . SUBJECT DID THIS TO GET EVEN WITH HIS FATHER. THEY DESCRIBE SUBJECT'S FATHER AS "A BRUTE" WHO BEAT HIS WIFE AND CHILDREN AND STATED ON SATURDAY BEFORE INSTANT SHOOTING, SUBJECT'S FATHER CUT OFF ALL FINANCIAL SUPPORT TO SUBJECT AND HIS MOTHER.

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[REDACTED] VOICED INTENT TO WRITE GOVERNOR OF TEXAS
IN ORDER TO EXPRESS HIS VIEWS TO THE GOVERNOR ABOUT SUBJECT'S
FATHER AS STATED ABOVE.

ACCORDING TO SUBJECT'S FATHER, JOHN MICHAEL WHITMAN,
AGE SEVENTEEN, BROTHER OF SUBJECT, HAS BEEN VISITING IN ASBURY
PARK, N. J. AND IS PRESENTLY ENROUTE TO LAKE WORTH, FLA., FOR
FUNERAL.

SAN ANTONIO ADVISE PD RE PURPOSE TRIP TO AUSTIN OF SUBJECT'S
FATHER.

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Mr. Wick	_____
Mr. Casper	_____
Mr. Callahan	_____
Mr. Conrad	_____
Mr. Felt	_____
Mr. Gale	_____
Mr. Rosen	_____
Mr. Sullivan	_____
Mr. Tavel	_____
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Tele. Room	_____
Miss Holmes	_____
Miss Gandy	_____

FBI WASH DC

517 PM EST DEFERRED 8/3/66 MRB

TO DIRECTOR

FROM ATLANTA 62-2313

CHARLES JOSEPH WHITMAN, INFORMATION CONCERNING.

RE BUTEL TO ATLANTA, AUGUST TWO LAST AND MIAMI TEL TO
BUREAU AUGUST TWO LAST.

[REDACTED] REGISTRAR'S OFFICE GEORGIA
INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, ATLANTA, GA., CHECKED HER CUMULATIVE ROLLS
WHICH INCLUDE ALL STUDENTS ENROLLED AT GEORGIA TECH AND ADVISED AFTER
EXTENSIVE SEARCH OF HER RECORDS THAT SHE COULD LOCATE NO INFORMATION
IDENTIFIABLE WITH THE SUBJECT, FROM NINETEEN FORTY SIX TO PRESENT.

[REDACTED]
AFTER SEARCHING HIS RECORDS ADVISED HE COULD LOCATE NO INFORMATION
IDENTIFIABLE WITH THE SUBJECT.

IDENTIFICATION AND CREDIT ATLANTA, NEGATIVE.

MIAMI AND SAN ANTONIO, AIRMAIL. RUC.

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Mr. Tolson	✓
Mr. DeLoach	✓
Mr. Mohr	✓
Mr. Bishop	✓
Mr. Casper	✓
Mr. Callahan	✓
Mr. Conrad	✓
Mr. Felt	✓
Mr. Gale	✓
Mr. Rosen	✓
Mr. Sullivan	✓
Mr. Tavel	✓
Mr. Trotter	✓
Tele. Room	✓
Miss Holmes	✓
Miss Gandy	✓

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1216PM CST URGENT 8/3/66 MRH

TO DIRECTOR AND MIAMI

FROM SAN ANTONIO 62-3239

CHARLES JOSEPH WHITMAN, INFORMATION CONCERNING.

ATTENTION : ASSISTANT TO THE DIRECTOR DE LOACH

RE MIAMI TEL AUGUST TWO LAST.

FOR INFO. OF MIAMI, AT TIME SUBJECT WAS SHOT BY POLICE
OFFICERS IN AUSTIN, TEXAS, THE FOLLOWING GUNS WERE IN HIS
POSSESSION.

ON REMINGTON MODEL SEVEN HUNDRED, SIX MM. BOLT ACTION,
SERIAL NUMBER ONE FOUR NINE ZERO THREE SEVEN, WITH FOUR POWER
LEUPOLD SCOPE.

ONE SEARS-ROEBUCK TWELVE GAUGE AUTOMATIC SHOTGUN, TWO AND
THREE FOURTHS INCH CHAMBER, SAWED OFF BARREL AND SAWED-OFF
STOCK; NO SERIAL NUMBER.

THIRTY FIVE CALIBER REMINGTON MODEL ONE FOUR ONE, SLIDE
TOP ACTION RIFLE, SERIAL NUMBER ONE EIGHT FIVE NINE.

ONE U.S. CARBINE, CALIBER THIRTY M-ONE, MADE BY UNIVERSAL
HIALEAH, FLA., SERIAL NUMBER SIX NINE SEVEN NINE NINE.

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ONE REVOLVER, THREE FIFTYSEVEN SMITH-WESSON MAGNUM,
FOUR AND ONE HALF INCH BARREL, NICKEL-PLATED , MODEL NINETEEN,
SERIAL NUMBER K THREE NINE ONE FIVE EIGHT THREE.

ONE NINE MM LUGER, SERIAL NUMBER TWO ZERO ONE ZERO.

ONE AUTOMATIC PISTOL, SIX POINT THREE FIVE CALIBER,
GALESI-BRESCIA, SERIAL NUMBER THREE SIX SIX EIGHT SIX NINE.

INFO. DEVELOPED BY AUSTIN, TEXAS, P.D. INDICATES
SUBJECT/S FATHER, CHARLES ADOLPHUS WHITMAN, MAY HAVE ORDERED
SOME OF GUNS FOR SUBJECT.

TODAY MAJOR K. H. HERBERT, COMMANDING OFFICER,
CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS DIVISION, AUSTIN, TEXAS, P.D.
REQUESTED SUBJECT/S FATHER BE INTERVIEWED AS TO HIS KNOWLEDGE
AS TO THE ORIGIN OF THESE GUNS. SUBJECTS/ FATHER REPORTELY
RESIDES AT THREE TWO ZERO SOUTH L. ST., LAKE WORTH, FLA.

AUSTIN AUTHORITIES ALSO DESIROUS OF KNOWING WHETHER SUBJECT/S
FATHER INTENDS TO COME TO AUSTIN, TEXAS.

MIAMI INTERVIEW SUBJECT/S FATHER, PER REQUEST OF MAJOR
HERBERT, AND SUTEL RESULTS IN VIEW OF PRESIDENTIAL INTEREST.
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CC: Mr. GALE

1 - Mr. DeLoach
 1 - Mr. Rosen
 1 - Mr. Sullivan
 1 - Mr. Trotter
 1 - Mr. Wick
 1 - Mr. Gale
 1 - Mr. Cleveland
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August 3, 1966

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Honorable Marvin Watson
 Special Assistant to the President
 The White House
 Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Watson:

Reference is made to my letter dated August 2, 1966, pertaining to the wanton shooting at the University of Texas, Austin, Texas, on August 1, 1966, by Charles Joseph Whitman.

The following additional information has been developed during inquiries conducted by the FBI in cooperation with local police authorities in Texas.

Investigation at Lake Worth, Florida, where Whitman was born and reared, disclosed his father is described as a boastful and domineering individual who insisted his children excel in all of their activities. His parents reportedly were quarrelsome and separated several months ago. Local police department records show complaints of disturbances at the home of Whitman's parents were received in March, 1966, and during the same month Whitman called the local police department from Texas, stating his father had threatened his mother and he was coming to Florida to get her. An individual formerly active in Boy Scout activities stated he knows of nothing in Whitman's background which would account for his shootings at the University of Texas. No arrest record other than several traffic citations was located at Lake Worth, Florida, for Whitman.

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Information received in Austin, Texas, indicates Whitman was afforded an examination on March 29, 1966, by M. D. Heatley, staff psychiatrist at the University of Texas after Whitman was referred to him by the University Health

NOTE: See memo Gale to DeLoach, 8/3/66, JFC:RWM:mlp.

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Delivered to Mildred Stegall
 on 8-3-66

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Center. The psychiatrist's report indicates Whitman was "oozing" with hostility and had assaulted his wife physically on two occasions. According to the report, Whitman's problems appeared to have been caused by the separation of his parents. It was further indicated that during the examination Whitman made a "vivid reference to 'thinking about going up on the Tower with a deer rifle and start shooting people.'" Whitman reportedly was not given any medication and was told to make an appointment for another interview the following week. It is noted current newspaper items indicate the psychiatrist has said he did not report Whitman's statement about shooting people from the Tower because he thought Whitman did not mean it. He also reportedly has stated Whitman made an appointment for a subsequent visit but failed to keep the appointment.

Two notes purportedly written by Whitman were found in his apartment in Austin, Texas. In the first note, which is dated July 31, 1966, he stated that recently he had been the victim of many unusual and irrational thoughts and had tried to convey to a doctor his fears concerning overwhelmingly violent impulses. He indicated he decided to kill his wife without any specific reason and to kill his mother apparently because she never "enjoyed life." He expressed a desire that after payment of his debts, the proceeds of his life insurance policy be donated anonymously to a mental health foundation, stating "maybe research can prevent further tragedies of this type."

In a second note dated August 1, 1966, Whitman stated he had just killed his mother to relieve her suffering, and he expressed intense hatred for his father.

A note purportedly written by his mother and found attached to the door of her apartment indicated she desired to get some rest and was not to be disturbed.

It is noted that R. A. Miles, Chief of Police, Austin, Texas, Police Department, advised he has been instructed by the Legal Department of the City of Austin not to make the notes left by Whitman available to the press because of the possibility of a suit against the city. Chief Miles stated he intends to comply with these instructions. Enclosed is one copy each of the two notes found in Whitman's apartment.

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Honorable Marvin Watson

Information has been received indicating that approximately one year ago Whitman and his father purchased a rifle with a telescopic sight in a gun shop in Austin, Texas, and on August 1, 1966, Whitman purchased a carbine and a shotgun in gun stores in Austin, Texas. At the time he was killed on August 1, 1966, Whitman had such weapons in his possession. Whitman had also purchased 14 boxes of ammunition for the various weapons which were found in his possession. The stated reasons for the purchase of the guns and ammunition were deer hunting and shooting wild hogs.

A report made by a pathologist at Austin, Texas, indicates Whitman had a small tumor located close to the "brain stem." It was stated this tumor had no direct effect on the frontal lobe of the brain which controls an individual's logical thinking, but might have caused headaches. It was further indicated that an additional examination of Whitman's brain tissue and tumor will be conducted.

As a matter of information, the central files of the FBI contain no information identifiable with the individuals shot by Whitman at the University of Texas with the following exceptions:

[REDACTED]
may be identical with an individual by the same name who was

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
may be identical with an individual by the same name

Sincerely yours,

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Enclosures (2)

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. DeLoach

DATE: August 3, 1966

FROM : J. H. Gale

SUBJECT: CHARLES JOSEPH WHITMAN
SNIPER - UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS
AUSTIN, TEXAS
AUGUST 1, 1966
INFORMATION CONCERNING

Folsom _____
DeLoach _____
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Gasper _____
Callahan _____
Conrad _____
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Holmes _____
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Reference is made to my memorandum dated August 2, 1966, (attached) concerning the captioned individual. The following additional information has been developed during inquiry conducted by the Bureau in cooperation with local authorities in Texas.

INVESTIGATION AT LAKE WORTH, FLORIDA

Investigation at Lake Worth, Florida, where Whitman was born and reared, disclosed he is one of three sons born to Charles Adolphus Whitman and Margaret Elizabeth Whitman, nee Hodges. His father is described as a boastful, domineering individual who insisted his children excel in their activities. His parents reportedly were quarrelsome and separated several months ago. Local police department records indicate complaints of disturbances at the home of Whitman's parents were received in March, 1966, and during the same month Whitman called the police department from Texas stating his father had threatened his mother and he was coming to Florida to get her. Whitman's [redacted] says he knows of nothing in Whitman's background to account for his shootings at the University of Texas. No arrest record other than several traffic citations were located at Lake Worth, Florida, for Whitman.

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- 1 - Mr. Wick
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Memorandum to Mr. DeLoach
Re: Charles Joseph Whitman

INVESTIGATION AT AUSTIN, TEXAS

Psychiatrist Examination March 29, 1966

Whitman was afforded an examination on March 29, 1966, by M. D. Heatley, staff psychiatrist, at the University of Texas, after referral by the University Health Center. The psychiatrist's report indicates Whitman was "oozing" with hostility, had assaulted his wife physically on two occasions and his problems stemmed from the separation of his parents. Report further indicates in part Whitman made a "vivid reference to 'thinking about going up on the Tower with a deer rifle and start shooting people.'" Whitman was not given any medication and was told to make an appointment for another interview the following week. Current press items indicate the psychiatrist has said he did not report the statement about shooting people from the Tower because he thought Whitman did not mean it. He also stated Whitman made an appointment for a subsequent visit but did not keep this appointment.

Notes Left By Whitman

Two notes purportedly written by Whitman were found in his apartment in Austin, Texas. In the first note, which is dated July 31, 1966, he stated that recently he had been the victim of many unusual and irrational thoughts and had tried to convey to a doctor his fears concerning overwhelming violent impulses. He indicated he decided to kill his wife without any specific reason and to kill his mother apparently because "the poor woman has never enjoyed life." He expressed a desire that after payment of his debts, the proceeds of his life insurance policy be donated anonymously to a mental health foundation, stating "maybe research can prevent further tragedies of this type."

In a second note dated August 1, 1966, Whitman stated he had just killed his mother to relieve her suffering and he expressed intense hatred for his father.

A note purportedly written by his mother and found attached to the door of her apartment indicated she desired to get some rest and was not to be disturbed.

Memorandum to Mr. DeLoach
Re: Charles Joseph Whitman

Purchase Of Guns And Ammunition

About one year ago, Whitman and his father purchased a six millimeter caliber Remington rifle with a four power telescopic sight in a gun shop in Austin, Texas. On August 1, 1966, Whitman purchased a 30 caliber Carbine and a 12 gauge shotgun in gun stores in Austin, Texas. It is noted that Whitman had similar weapons in his possession when he was killed. He also had purchased 14 boxes of ammunition for weapons in his possession. The stated reason for the purchase of the guns and ammunition was for deer hunting and shooting wild hogs.

Autopsy

Dr. C. DeChenar, pathologist, Austin, Texas, reportedly advised that his examination of Whitman disclosed a small tumor located close to the "brain stem." This tumor was said to have no direct effect on the frontal lobe of the brain which controls an individual's logical thinking but may have caused headaches. Additional examination of Whitman's brain tissue and the tumor are to be conducted.

Information Concerning Individuals Shot on University Campus

Bureau files contain no information identifiable with individuals shot by Whitman at the University of Texas with the following exceptions:

[REDACTED]
may be identical with an individual by the same name who was

[REDACTED]
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may be identical with an individual by the same name

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Memorandum to Mr. DeLoach
Re: Charles Joseph Whitman

The Washington Post, August 3, 1966, states, "The FBI was reported to have taken over a roll of color film in one of two cameras found in Whitman's apartment..." A check with our San Antonio Office indicates this is not true, and the development of this film is being handled by the police.

ACTION

Attached for approval is a letter to Honorable Marvin Watson at the White House containing additional pertinent information developed in this matter.

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FBI ST LOUIS

2:12 PM CDST URGENT 8-4-66

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (ATTENTION: ASSISTANT TO THE DIRECTOR
DE LOACH), AND SAN ANTONIO (62-3239)

FROM: ST. LOUIS (62-4656)

CHARLES JOSEPH WHITMAN; INFORMATION CONCERNING.

RE WASHINGTON FIELD AND HOUSTON TELS AUGUST THREE,
LAST.

FEDERAL RECORDS CENTER,
ST LOUIS

RECORDS, FRC, SLMO, REFLECT CHARLES JOSEPH WHITMAN,
BORN JUNE TWENTYFOUR, FORTYONE, LAKE WORTH, FLORIDA,
SSN TWO SIX TWO DASH SIX ZERO DASH NINE ONE ZERO NINE,
EMPLOYED JULY EIGHT, SIXTYFIVE TO SEPTEMBER SIXTEEN,
SIXTYFIVE, AS ENGINEERING AIDE, NASA, MANNED SPACECRAFT
CENTER, HOUSTON, TEXAS. TERMINATED DUE TO EXPIRATION OF
APPOINTMENT. HOME ADDRESS ONE ZERO ZERO ONE SHELLEY
AVENUE, APARTMENT A, AUSTIN TEXAS.

6 OCT 31 1966

WHITMAN IN U. S. MARINE CORPS JULY, FIFTYNINE, TO
DECEMBER, SIXTYFOUR, AND HAD FOLLOWING OFF- POST RESIDENCES:
SEPTEMBER, SIXTYONE, TO AUGUST, SIXTYTWO, GOODALL WOOTEN

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DORMITORY, AUSTIN, TEXAS. AUGUST, SIXTYTWO, TO MARCH, SIXTYTHREE, EIGHT ZERO SIX NELSON AVENUE, AUSTIN TEXAS. MARCH, SIXTYTHREE TO JULY, SIXTYTHREE, ONE ONE ONE C MORTON AVENUE, JACKSONVILLE, SOUTH CAROLINA.

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY: JANUARY, SIXTYFOUR, TO OCTOBER, SIXTYFOUR, PARTTIME, BERNARD'S CLOTHING STORE, JACKSONVILLE, SOUTH CAROLINA. DECEMBER, SIXTYFOUR, TO JANUARY, SIXTYFIVE, SCARBROUGH'S DEPARTMENT STORE, AUSTIN TEXAS. JANUARY, SIXTYFIVE, TO APRIL, SIXTYFIVE, STANDARD FINANCE COMPANY, AUSTIN, TEXAS. APRIL, SIXTYFIVE, CENTRAL FREIGHT LINES, AUSTIN, TEXAS. APRIL, SIXTYFIVE, TO MAY, SIXTYFIVE, AUSTIN NATIONAL BANK, AUSTIN TEXAS.

EDUCATION: GRADUATED ST. ANN'S HIGH SCHOOL, WEST PALM BEACH, FLORIDA, MAY, FIFTYNINE. ATTENDED UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS, AUSTIN, TEXAS, SEPTEMBER, SIXTYONE, TO FEBRUARY, SIXTYTHREE, AND JANUARY, SIXTYFIVE, TO MAY, SIXTYFIVE.

RELATIVES: WIFE KATHLEEN FRANCES WHITMAN, NEE LEISSNER. FATHER CHARLES A. WHITMAN, JR., P. O. BOX
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ONE FOUR EIGHT EIGHT, LAKE WORTH, FLORIDA. MOTHER MARGARET
E. WHITMAN, AND BROTHERS PATRICK G. WHITMAN AND JOHN
MICHAEL WHITMAN, SAM ADDRESS AS FATHER. [REDACTED]

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RECORDS REFLECT SUMMARY COURT- MARTIAL, U. S. MARINE
CORPS, CAMP LE JUENE, NORTH CAROLINA, NOVEMBER TWENTYSIX,
SIXTYTHREE, FOR VIOLATION ARTICLE NINE TWO, UCMJ, INVOLVING
POSSESSION OF TWO ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION AND POSSESSING A
SMALL CALIBER PISTOL ON THE BASE AND ON A U. S. NAVAL VESSEL,
AND VIOLATION OF ARTICLE ONE THREE FOUR, UCMJ, FOR WRONG-
FULLY CONVEYING THREATS AND GAMBLING WITH SUBORDINATES.
FOUND GUILTY AND REDUCED FROM THE RANK OF CORPORAL TO PRIVATE,
SENTENCED TO NINETY DAYS AT HARD LABOR WITHOUT CONFINEMENT
AND THIRTY DAYS RESTRICTION TO BARRACKS.

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ON NOVEMBER TWENTYEIGHT, SIXTYONE, AT TRAVIS COUNTY,
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AUSTIN, TEXAS, WHITMAN WAS FINED ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS AND
COSTS FOR UNLAWFULLY POSSESSING A DEER.

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CC: MR. GALE

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FBI SANANTON

12:38 P.M. CST 8/4/66 URGENT DAW

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAN ANTONIO (62-3239)7P

CHARLES JOSEPH WHITMAN, INFORMATION CONCERNING.

ATTENTION: ASSISTANT TO THE DIRECTOR DE LOACH.

RE SAN ANTONIO TELS AUGUST ONE, TWO AND THREE LAST.

THE FOLLOWING AUTOPSY PROTOCOL MADE AVAILABLE
BY JUDGE JERRY A. DELLANA, JUSTICE OF THE PEACE,
EX DASH OFFICIO CORONER, TRAVIS COUNTY, AUSTIN, TEXAS.

"NAME, WHITMAN, CHARLES JOSEPH, RACE WM,
TWENTYTHREE; CASE NO. MLS DASH SIX TWO DASH NINETEEN
SIXTYSIX. TIME OF AUTOPSY AUGUST TWO, SIXTYSIX, EIGHT
FIFTYFIVE A. M. AUTOPSY PERFORMED AT 600K FUNERAL
HOME.

"EXTERNAL EXAMINATION: PROPORTIONALLY DEVELOPED, OCT 31 1966
WELL NOURISHED BODY OF THE MUSCULAR TYPE. THE HAIR
IS LIGHT YELLOWISH BROWN, THE SKIN IS RATHER PALE, WITH
A TAN PIGMENTATION ON EXPOSED AREAS. THE PUPILS ARE
ROUND, MODERATELY WIDENED AND EQUAL. THE VISIBLE MUCUS
MEMBRANES, AFTER PREVIOUSLY COMPLETED EMBALMING,

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ARE PALE. DEEPLY IN THE NASAL AND PHARYNGEAL CAVITIES, A LAYER OF CLOTTED BLOOD IS VISIBLE. DENTITION IS WELL PRESERVED. RIGOR MORTIS, AFTER INJECTION, IS PRESENT; LIVIDITY IS ABSENT.

"INJURIES: HEAD; BETWEEN THE EYES, ACROSS THE NOSE, ARE THREE ENTRY HOLES OF PELLETS, TWO MORE AROUND THE LEFT EYE AND THREE IN THE LEFT TEMPORAL REGION.

"NECK AND CHEST: ON THE LEFT SIDE OF THE NECK, AROUND THE CERVICAL BONE, ARE FOUR PENETRATIONS: TWO ON THE RIGHT SIDE AT THE SAME LEVEL; ONE IN THE LEFT FOURTH INTERCOSTAL SPACE CLOSE TO THE STERNUM BONE (AT THE CENTER OF THE HEART); AND FOUR IN THE LEFT AXILLARY REGION. ONE, UNDER THE ARM, IS OF LARGER DIAMETER CLOSE TO ONE CM.

"LEFT SHOULDER AND ARM: AROUND THE SHOULDER, ABOUT A DOZEN OF GRAZING ARE PENETRATING INJURIES. THE LEFT ARM BONE (HUMERUS) IS SEVERELY DESTROYED BY SEVERAL LARGE CALIBER PENETRATIONS. THE ARM IS SHORTENED AND SWOLLEN, DEFORMED.

"INTERNAL EXAMINATION: THE BLOOD IS CLOTTED IN ALL BLOOD VESSELS AND CHAMBERS OF THE HEART, AFTER THE COMPLETE INJECTION.

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"THE SKULL IS UNUSUALLY THIN, TWO TO FOUR MM., OVER THE HEMISPHERES OF THE BRAIN, THERE IS NO CHANGE, HOWEVER, ON THE LEFT DEEP TEMPORAL REGION AND IN THE ANTERIOR AND MEDIAN THIRDS OF THE BASE OF THE SKULL THERE ARE NUMEROUS LINES OF FRACTURES. THE LOWER HALF OF THE TEMPORAL BONE IS SPLINTERED. THE FRONTAL, TEMPORAL AND SPHENOIDAL BONES OVER THE EYES SHOW A NETWORK OF FRACTURE LINES. UNDER THE OUTER COVERING MEMBRANE OF THE BRAIN IS AN EXTENSIVE BLEEDING ORIGINATING FROM RUPTURED VENOUS SINUSES AND ARTERIES. THE BRAIN IS SYMMETRICALLY DEVELOPED WITHOUT ANOMALIES. THE LEFT FRONTAL AND TEMPORAL LOBES ARE PARTIALLY DESTROYED BY PENETRATING BONE PIECES. SOME OF THOSE REACH THE POSTERIOR REGIONS.

"THE CEREBROSPINAL FLUID IS MIXED WITH BLOOD, THE VENTRICLES ARE SYMMETRICAL. IN THE MIDDLE PART OF THE BRAIN ABOVE THE RED NUCLEUS, IN THE WHITE MATTER BELOW THE GRAYING CENTER THALAMUS, IS A FAIRLY WELL OUTLINED TUMOR ABOUT THE TWO BY ONE POINT FIVE BY ONE CM IN DIMENSION, GRAYISH YELLOW, WITH PERIPHERAL AREAS OF RED AS BLOOD.

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"THE ORGANS OF THE NECK, BESIDES INJURY IN THE REGION, ARE UNCHANGED. THE LEVEL OF THE DIAPHRAM IS AT THE SIXTH RIB ON THE RIGHT AND ABOVE THE FOURTH RIB ON THE LEFT SIDE.

"CIRCULATORY ORGANS: THE COVERING MEMBRANES OF THE HEART ARE SMOOTH, THE CAVITY IS FILLED WITH BLOOD, ORIGINATING FROM A PEBETRATING (AS SPELLED) WOUND INTO THE RIGHT VENTRICLE, AROUND WHICH THE HEART MUSCLE IS HEMORRHAGIC. THE HEART IS COLEPSED¹⁴, ITS INNER MEMBRANES AND VALVES ARE SMOOTH, THE CORONARY ARTERIES, AORTA AND LARGE ARTERIES ARE UNCHANGED.

"RESPIRATORY ORGANS: THE LINING MEMBRANE OF THE RIGHT CHEST CAVITY IS SMOOTH, THERE IS NO FLUID. THE LUNG CONTAINS A DIMINISHED AMOUNT OF BLOOD; THE TRACHEO DASH BRONCHIAL CHANNELS ARE FILLED WITH FROTHY BLOOD, THE LEFT CHEST CAVITY CONTAINS SOME FIFTY M ONE OF BLOOD AND A CONSIDERABLE AMOUNT OF AIR ORIGINATING FROM THE LATERAL ASPECT OF THE LOBES WHICH ARE PENETRATED BY PROJECTILES. SEVERAL AREAS OF BOTH LOBES ARE HEMORRHAGIC, SO ARE ALL THE AIR CHANNELS.

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"ABDOMEN:

QUOTE. THE LINING MEMBRANE IS SMOOTH, THE CAVITY CONTAINS EMBALMING FLUID MIXED WITH BLOOD AND GASTROINTESTINAL CONTENTS, AFTER CAVITY EMBALMING. BESIDES PERFORATIONS BY THE EMBALMING INSTRUMENT, THE STOMACH AND INTESTINES SHOW NO CHANGE. THE SPLEEN IS OF AVERAGE SIZE, THE CAPSULE IS CORRUGATED, DUE TO SOME LOSS OF BLOOD. THE LIVER IS PROPORTIONATELY LARGE, ITS CAPSULE IS SMOOTH. ITS INNER MATTER IS PALE BROWNISH DASH YELLOW, WITH DECREASED AMOUNT OF BLOOD. THE GALL BLADDER IS UNCHANGED. THE PANCREAS AND SUPPARENAL GLANDS ARE UNCHANGED. THE KIDNEYS ARE RELATIVELY LARGE, THEIR SURFACE IS SMOOTH. BOTH CORTEX AND MEDULLA ARE WIDE, WITH SOME CONGESTION ALONG THE BORDERLINE OF THE TWO LAYERS. THE BLADDER AND REPRODUCTIVE ORGANS SHOW NO PATHOLOGICAL CHANGE.

QUOTE. HISTOLOGICAL FINDINGS:

QUOTE. THE TUMOR OF THE BRAIN IS COMPOSED OF ELEMENTS OF THE CONNECTIVE TISSUE OF THE BRAIN PARENS GLIA END PARENS, AND THE BLOOD VESSELS OF ENLARGED CALIBERS. SOME OF THESE BLOOD VESSELS HAVE THICK WALLS, OTHERS THIN ONES, WITH DEFECTIVE CONSTRUCTION OF THE LAYERS AND MICROSCOPICALLY SMALL BLEEDINGS INTO THE SURROUNDING INTERCELLULAR SPACES, HOWEVER, ONLY A DOZEN OR LESS RED BLOOD CELLS ENTERES THOSE SPACES AROUND. THE CELLS ARE RATHER SMALL, ROUND OR ELONGATED, WITH A SMALL AMOUNT OF CYTOPLASM AND MOSTLY WELL

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QUOTE STAINING NUCLEUS. THE CHROMATIN SUBSTANCE OF THE NUCLEUS IS WELL ORGANIZED, ROUND OR SOMEWHAT ELONGATED OR, IN SOME PLACES, VESICULAR. CELL DIVISIONS OCCUR ONLY VERY EXCEPTIONALLY, INDICATING A MINIMUMAL LEVEL OF ACTIVITY, JUST ON THE BORDERLINE TO MALIGNANT FORMATIONS. THERE ARE AREAS OF CELL DEATH PARENS NECROSIS END PARENS, SURROUNDED BY A FENCE LIKE ARRANGEMENT, PARENS PALISADE FORMATION END PARENS OF ELONGATED CELLS.

QUOTE. DIAGNOSIS:

QUOTE. FATAL INJURIES TO THE HEAD AND TO THE HEART. ADDITIONAL FINDING: A SMALL BRAIN TUMOR IN THE WHITE MATTER ABOVE THE BRAIN STEM, COMPOSED OF CONNECTIVE TISSUE ELEMENTS OF THE BRAIN MIXED WITH NUMEROUS ENLARGED BLOOD VESSELS: NO EVIDENCE OF MALIGNANTLY FAST GROWTH, BUT THAT OF PARTIAL TISSUE DEATH, NECROSIS. PARENS ASTROCYTOMA END PARENS. NO CORRELATION TO PSYCHOSIS OR PERMANENT PAINS. SIGNED C. DE CHENAR, M. D. PATHOLOGIST AND NEUROPATHOLOGIST. END QUOTE. THIS IS BEING RELEASED TO THE PRESS TODAY.

CONTENTS OF WFO TEL TO BUREAU, ET AL, TEN NAUGHT FOUR P.M., AUGUST THREE LAST AND WFO TEL TO BUREAU AND SAN ANTONIO TEN NAUGHT EIGHT P. M., AUGUST THREE LAST, FURNISHED ORALLY TO
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TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND AUSTIN P.D., AUSTIN,
TEXAS, AND WILL BE CONFIRMED IN WRITING.

THE BUREAU WILL BE KEPT PROMPTLY ADVISED OF FURTHER
PERTINENT DEVELOPMENTS.

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~~CORRECTIONS: PAGE TWO LINE NINE WORDS THREE AND FOUR~~
~~SHOULD BE "COLLAR BONE"~~

~~PAGE FOUR LINE NINE WORD FIVE SHOULD BE "COLLAPSED"~~

~~PAGE SIX LINE FOUR WORD FIVE SHOULD BE "MINIMAL"~~

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CC: MR. GALE

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. Gale

DATE: 8-4-66

FROM : W. V. Cleveland *WV*

SUBJECT: CHARLES JOSEPH WHITMAN
SNIPER - UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS
AUSTIN, TEXAS
AUGUST 1, 1966
INFORMATION CONCERNING

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Reference is made to my memorandum dated 8-3-66, which noted that the fingerprints of all of the deceased persons in this matter were being forwarded to the FBI Identification Division.

This morning, 8-4-66, eleven sets of fingerprints of the deceased persons in this matter were received from the Austin Police Department. These fingerprints include those of the subject and his mother.

In addition, four identification forms listing the fingerprint classification of the other victims, together with identifying information, were also submitted by the Austin Police Department. These forms include one for the subject's wife.

A search of these fingerprints is being expedited and you will be advised concerning any pertinent information developed.

RECOMMENDATION:

For information.

- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Rosen
- 1 - Mr. Sullivan
- 1 - Mr. Trotter
- 1 - Mr. Wick
- 1 - Mr. Gale
- 1 - Mr. Cleveland
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- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Rosen
- 1 - Mr. Sullivan
- 1 - Mr. Trotter
- 1 - Mr. Wick
- 1 - Mr. Gale
- 1 - Mr. Cleveland
- 1 - [REDACTED]
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August 4, 1966

BY LIAISON

Honorable Marvin Watson
Special Assistant to the President
The White House
Washington, D. C.

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Dear Mr. Watson:

Reference is made to my letters dated August 2 and 3, 1966, pertaining to the shooting at the University of Texas, Austin, Texas, on August 1, 1966, by Charles Joseph Whitman.

The following additional information has been developed during inquiries conducted by the FBI in cooperation with local police authorities in Texas.

The father of Charles Joseph Whitman was interviewed by Agents of this Bureau at the request of Texas State authorities and advised that two rifles and a pistol that were in possession of his son belonged to him and had been given to his son to use in hunting. The father intends to proceed to Austin, Texas, Sunday, August 7, 1966, to contact the Austin Police Department relative to retrieving these guns and the belongings of his wife and son.

[REDACTED] voluntarily appeared at the FBI Resident Agency at West Palm Beach, Florida, on August 3, 1966, to advise that they felt Charles Joseph Whitman was a fine boy and they recalled nothing to indicate a lack of stability. They alleged that Whitman's father was the cause of this shooting and voiced the belief that Whitman did this to "get even" with his father. They described the father as "a brute" who beat his wife and children, and they stated that on the Saturday before the shooting, the father cut off all financial support to Charles Joseph Whitman and his mother.

The United States Marine Corps service record reveals that Whitman enlisted at Jacksonville, Florida, July 6, 1959, and was released from active duty as a

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Return to Cleveland, Room 1246.

Delivered to Mildred Stegall on 8/4/66.

by Courier Service. Cld

Delivered to Mildred Stegall on 8-4-66.

R. L. [unclear]

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private first class December 4, 1964, and transferred to the United States Marine Corps Reserve December 5, 1964. He was discharged from the United States Marine Corps Reserve July 18, 1965, and was released from inactive duty for the convenience of the Government and under honorable conditions. He was recommended for re-enlistment. During his service he was awarded a Good Conduct Medal, a Marine Expeditionary Medal and a Sharpshooter Rifle Badge. His Marine Corps specialty was as a Rifleman.

On February 2, 1961, Whitman made application for the Navy Enlistment Scientific Program School and was accepted. He was placed on academic probation for failure to maintain a minimum over-all academic average on March 22, 1962. On February 7, 1963, it was recommended and approved that Whitman be disenrolled from this school. He then requested an early release from the Marine Corps in order to pursue his education. This request was disapproved on February 17, 1964.

In order to support Whitman's request for early release from active duty, his father, a member of the Palm Beach County, Florida, Democratic Executive Committee, solicited assistance from Alvin B. Zalla, Chairman of the Democratic Executive Committee, Palm Beach County, Florida. Whitman's file contains the following correspondence in connection with this matter:

Letter from Alvin B. Zalla to Senator Spessard Holland, dated December 13, 1963

Letter from Charles J. Whitman to the Under Secretary of the Navy, dated July 13, 1964

Letter from Representative Paul G. Rogers to the Under Secretary of the Navy, dated July 23, 1964

Memorandum from the Under Secretary of the Navy to Private Charles J. Whitman, dated August 1, 1964

Letter from the Under Secretary of the Navy to Representative Paul G. Rogers, dated August 6, 1964.

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All of the aforementioned letters, one copy each of which is enclosed, deal with obtaining Whitman's release from active duty in the Marine Corps. The Under Secretary of the Navy ruled that an early discharge solely for the purpose of Whitman's pursuing his college education would be unfair to other Marines in similar circumstances. Whitman was also advised by the Under Secretary of the Navy that his failure to fully utilize the opportunity given him to study under the Navy Enlistment Scientific Program and subsequent infractions of discipline were voluntary actions on his part and, therefore, his request for an early release from active duty was disapproved.

It is ironic to note that in one of Mr. Zalla's letters to Representative Rogers dated February 7, 1964, he thanks him and Senator Holland for forwarding to him correspondence from the Commandant of the Marine Corps. He comments regarding the extremely harsh and unbending position taken by the Commandant and then states: "I do not feel the matter is now limited to a consideration of Private Whitman as much as a matter of public policy and the good image of our military services. Certainly Private Whitman is going to abide by any final decision in a normal and rational manner. However, I can see by the position taken and the manner in which it was presented how a distorted personality recently reacted to result in this nation's recent national tragedy." It would appear that Mr. Zalla is referring to the assassination of the late President Kennedy by former Marine Lee Harvey Oswald. A copy of Mr. Zalla's letter to Representative Rogers is also enclosed.

Whitman was court-martialed in November, 1963. He pleaded guilty to 14 charges including wrongfully possessing ammunition, wrongfully possessing a small caliber pistol, 10 charges of lending money for profit, wrongfully communicating a threat and gambling. He was restricted for 30 days to perform hard labor and reduced to the rank of private. The 10 charges of lending money for profit included lending another member of the United States Marine Corps \$30 to be paid back within 15 days for which he charged \$15 interest. Other typical interest rates were \$8 to be paid back on a \$5 loan, \$22 to be paid back on a \$14 loan and \$32 to be paid back on a \$20 loan. Other members of the Marine Corps interviewed during the investi-

Honorable Marvin Watson

gation of his lending money for profit stated that when they did not pay him back in time he became violent and reportedly threatened to kill some of the individuals involved. He was alleged to carry a small pistol in his pocket which he used to intimidate those who owed him money. Fellow members of the Marine Corps stated that he gambled extensively and his sole interest appeared to be in money.

Information has been received that three groups of photographs were found in Whitman's room. One was a set of black and white film containing various photographs of Whitman and his dog. Another was a set of color slides containing photographs of Whitman, his wife and unidentified individuals taken near and at Alamo, Texas, at San Antonio, Texas, and at Whitman's home in Austin, Texas. The third was a roll of colored film consisting of vacation scenes. According to the Chief of Police at Austin, none of the pictures are of value from an evidentiary standpoint. Governor Connally of Texas has ruled that the color slides should not be released to the press because it was felt it was a private family matter and such release would be an invasion of privacy. Governor Connally has also ruled that the notes, copies of which were furnished to you as enclosures to my letter of August 3, 1936, should not be released to the press.

On August 3, 1936, Governor Connally called a conference to be briefed on this matter since he was out of the country at the time it occurred and to assure the press that all law enforcement officers are united and working together. At a press conference following the conference, the press was advised that the FBI had been most cooperative in covering out-of-state leads when requested to do so by Texas law enforcement agencies.

According to the District Attorney, Travis County, Austin, Texas, this case will be presented before the Travis County Grand Jury at 2:00 p.m. August 4, 1936, for the purpose of determining justification for the shooting of Whitman by police officers. This is required under Texas law.

Sincerely yours,

Enclosures (6)

Honorable Marvin Watson

NOTE: Whitman's Marine Corps medical records have not been reviewed inasmuch as they are presently en route to Washington, D. C. Copies of color slides and color film are being obtained by the San Antonio Office and will be forwarded to the Bureau 8/4/66. All out-of-state leads requested by Texas police authorities are being handled on an expeditious basis.

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Date: 8/4/66

Transmit the following in PLAINTEXT
(Type in plaintext or code)Via TELETYPE URGENT
(Priority)

Mr. Tolson	
Mr. DeLoach	✓
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
SAC, SAN ANTONIO (62-3239)ATTENTION: ASSISTANT TO
THE DIRECTOR DE LOACH

FROM: SAC, WFO (62-9475)

CHARLES JOSEPH WHITMAN, INFORMATION CONCERNING. OFFICE
OF ORIGIN, SAN ANTONIO.

RE TEL FROM WASHINGTON FIELD AUGUST THREE, SIXTYSIX.

MEDICAL FILE MADE AVAILABLE AT BUREAU OF MEDICINE
AND SURGERY, DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY, AUGUST FOUR, SIXTYSIX,
FOUND TO CONTAIN NO INFORMATION OF SIGNIFICANT NATURE. OF
POSSIBLE INTEREST IS TREATMENT ON OCTOBER SEVEN, SIXTYFOUR
AT DISPENSARY HEADQUARTERS BATTALION, SECOND MARINE DIVISION,
CAMP LEJEUNE, NORTH CAROLINA, ON COMPLAINT OF HEADACHE
AND DIZZINESS FOLLOWING INJURY TO HEAD AS RESULT OF A FIGHT.
ASPERIN PRESCRIBED. NO FURTHER PERTINENT INFORMATION NOTED.

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TO: DIRECTOR, AND ALBUQUERQUE

FROM: SAN ANTONIO (62-3239) 2P

CHARLES JOSEPH WHITMAN. INFORMATION CONCERNING.

ATTENTION: ASSISTANT TO THE DIRECTOR DE LOACH.

RE SAN ANTONIO TELS TO BUREAU AUGUST ONE, TWO, THREE,
AND FOUR.

FOR INFO ALBUQUERQUE, SUBJECT HAS BEEN IDENTIFIED
AS SNIPER WHO KILLED FIFTEEN PERSONS AND WOUNDED AT LEAST
THIRTYTWO OTHERS FROM OBSERVATION DECK, UNIVERSITY OF
TEXAS TOWER BUILDING, AUSTIN, TEXAS, AUGUST ONE LAST.
BUREAU HAS ORDERED COMPLETE COOPERATION WITH AUSTIN PD
IN INSTANT MATTER.

INVESTIGATION BY AUSTIN PD REVEALS ONE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] CONTACTED HIS WIFE, AUSTIN,
TEXAS, AND RELATED HOW CLOSE HE, [REDACTED] WAS WITH SUBJECT.

[REDACTED] RELATED HE STUDIED WITH SUBJECT AND AFTER GETTING
TIRED WOULD RIDE AROUND, DURING WHICH TIME SUBJECT TALKED
OF HIS INTENSE HATRED OF HIS FATHER. ON ONE OCCASION, OCT 31 1966
SUBJECT RELATED HOW HE WANTED TO KILL HIS FATHER WHILE ON

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HUNTING TRIP LAST WINTER WHEN SUBJECT'S FATHER JUMPED ON SUBJECT'S LITTLE BROTHER AND APPARENTLY SUBJECT'S FATHER POINTED RIFLE AT BROTHER AND AT THAT TIME SUBJECT POINTED RIFLE AT HIS FATHER, REQUIRING ALL HIS RESTRAINT FROM KILLING HIM AT THIS POINT. LATER DURING HUNTING TRIP, CHARLES TOOK SITE ON HIS FATHER WITH RIFLE AND AGAIN HAD INTENSE DESIRE TO KILL HIM, BUT DID NOT. SUBJECT SUPPOSEDLY RELATED TO [REDACTED] THAT HE WAS STERILE, WHICH BOTHERED HIM AS HE KNEW HIS WIFE WANTED CHILDREN BADLY. [REDACTED] INDICATED TO HIS WIFE THAT HE KNEW SOME OTHER "PRETTY BAD STUFF" ABOUT SUBJECT, BUT HE DID NOT WANT EVEN TO TELL HIS WIFE ABOUT IT.

MAJOR K. R. HERBERT, COMMANDING OFFICER, CID, AUSTIN PD, HAS REQUESTED INTERVIEW OF [REDACTED] FOR FULL DETAILS CONCERNING HIS KNOWLEDGE OF SUBJECT.

IN VIEW OF PRESIDENTIAL INTEREST AND INTEREST OF GOVERNOR CONNALLY OF TEXAS, ALBUQUERQUE REQUESTED IMMEDIATELY INTERVIEW [REDACTED]

SUTEL BUREAU AND SAN ANTONIO TODAY.

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