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MEMORANDUM FOR: The Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT: Plans of British and French Publishing Firms to Publish the Thomas Buchanan Articles on Assassination of President Kennedy

1. A competent American observer learned, in Paris on 10 April 1964, that Secker and Warburg Ltd., in London, will publish as a book the Thomas Gittings Buchanan articles which have appeared in Paris in l'Express. The publishing firm is also approaching various publishers in the United States and the firm is rushing its edition, hoping to have it on sale by 15 May 1964.

2. Buchanan's thesis is that the assassination of President Kennedy was the product of a rightist plot in the United States. He alleges in his articles that the slain Dallas policeman Tippett was part of the plot against President Kennedy.

3. A well-informed American, who maintains excellent contacts in French publishing circles, reported that Anne Rives (in charge of foreign rights for the Rene Julliard publishing firm) stated that the Buchanan book would be published in France by the end of April 1964. Julliard is hoping to publish the book at the same time as Les Roses Rouges de Dallas by Nerin Gun, who is correspondent in the United States of the Italian magazine Epoca. Nerin Gun claims to have been in the car following President Kennedy's car.

4. Anne Rives described the book Les Roses Rouges de Dallas as devastating and, for this reason, it could not be published in the United States. According to Rives, the British publisher for the book will be Frederick Muller of 110 Fleet Street, London. Rives indicated that Gun was handling all foreign publication rights to his book.

5. According to Anne Rives, the German publisher for the Buchanan book will be Rowohlt of Hamburg. She states that two American publishers have made offers for the book: Houghton-Mifflin is said to want to buy but not publish right away as the
firm is now doing two "official" books on President Kennedy with United States Government backing. The other American firm, Knopf, wants to publish the book right away and will probably get rights through Curtis Brown of 575 Madison Avenue, New York City, the literary agency involved.

6. The Agency is aware that Thomas Gittings Buchanan, born in Baltimore, Maryland, 16 March 1919, was discharged as a reporter for The Washington Star in 1948, at which time he admitted he was a member of the Communist Party of the United States. Julliard published his book "Unicorn" in France in 1959 and a year later the Sloane firm published the Buchanan book in the United States.

7. Concerning Nurin Gun, it has been reported that he was born in Rome on 22 February 1924 of Turkish parents. He has been a freelance journalist since 1946 and has placed articles in American and Western European publications. In 1956 he resided in Toronto, Canada and the Turkish Consulate in that city refused to grant him a passport to return to Turkey because he was considered by them to be a Communist.

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Mr. Samuel A. Stern
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Assassination of President Kennedy
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Dear Mr. Stern:

Pursuant to our telephone call yesterday, I am attaching at Mr. Karamessines' request a copy of a very recent dissemination by CIA on a matter of direct interest to you, and perhaps others in the Commission.

I would interpret the attachment to come within the sensitivity precautions that we have given in other, formal, transmissions to the Commission.

If you have any questions or comments on this piece, don't hesitate to call me.

Raymond G. Rocca

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