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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (62-10901)
FROM: SAC, CHICAGO (62-6115) (C)

SUBJECT: ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY 11/22/63
DALLAS, TEXAS

DATE: 5/3/67


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CG 62-6115

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Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (62-109060)
FROM: SAC, CHICAGO (62-6113) (C)

SUBJECT: ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY
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The Indianapolis Office conducted an inquiry in Indiana in September, 1950. Detective Captain CHAMPS, Whiting, Indiana, Police Department, advised the FBI, whose real name he believed to be GORDON KUNT and who was later found to be CHAMPS, that he was a self-employed plasterer. The Whiting Police Department had a warrant for his arrest on bank embezzlement. CHAMPS said BENA was a self-employed plasterer and CHAMPS has used the name CHAMPS, Indiana, had shipped town and county reports. CHAMPS said BENA was a self-employed plasterer. The Whiting Police Department ordered an identification check from Detroit, Michigan, Police Department under FBI order 195. This record revealed that BENA had been committed as a mental patient in Canada in 1948 and was sentenced at Chront, 1957, for driving and exposing to "one year indefinite."
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MEMORANDUM

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (62-109217)
FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (105-12933) (C)
SUBJECT: HARRY DEAN IS - CUBA (OO: LOS ANGELES)

Re: Bulet to Los Angeles, 2/19/64.

Enclosed are nine copies of a letterhead memorandum, dated as above, at Los Angeles, setting forth requested information concerning the subject.

The enclosure is being classified "Confidential" for the protection of the sources utilized to cite the Chicago Chapter of the Fair Play for Cuba Committee (FPCC) and EDGAR SWABECK.

The concealed sources utilized in the citations of the FPCC and EDGAR SWABECK, applicable for the period of DEAN's activities in Chicago, mostly were derived from the reports of SA JOHN N. MORGAN, dated 7/26/61, at Chicago, and SA LEE R. INMAN, dated 7/26/62, at Los Angeles, regarding "EDGAR SWABECK, SM - SWF" (File 100-381850, LA 100-60840) orig (CSLA 3184-S, WF 1282-S and CG 2625-S) in connection with the FPCC and (CG 5933-S, CG 2625-S and LA 4015-S) in connection with SWABECK.

In accordance with Bureau instructions, a letterhead memorandum concerning FRANK VEGA will be prepared separately in the case captioned, "FRANK VEGA, IS - CUBA," following reinterview with DEAN for any additional information he may be able to furnish regarding VEGA and his contact with him in Cuba.

This case is being placed in a closed status.

2- Bureau (Enc. 9) (FM) (AM)
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(1- 105- 16378 - FRANK VEGA)

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