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Subject: A Possible Lead on Assassination Records

Please see the article in the Thursday, May 14th, 1998 Washington Post (which starts on page 1 and continues on page A14). The lead is highlighted in yellow on page A14. The passage mentions that USSS Director Merletti (in his argument to Kenneth Starr) produced "rare photographs of John F. Kennedy's fateful 1963 motorcade through Dallas, where agents were not standing on running boards on the back of his exposed automobile." This lead was passed to me via telephone by a researcher, John Judge, about a week ago; he had been mistakenly informed that "Doug Horne was in charge of photographs," which is not true. (I am merely the unofficial staff lay expert on the Zapruder film--but not on all photographs.) Kim, it is common knowledge that in Dallas agents (with the exception of Clint Hill, on about 4 occasions during the parade) were not positioned on the rear steps of the limousine. What is not known is whether the "rare photographs" alluded to in the article are really RARE photographs not in the JFK Collection, or whether they are photographs common to previously published works on the assassination. I provide this information to you to deal with as you see fit, as I perceive this to be a Secret Service issue, and that province is your domain. We might want to ask the Secret Service to produce for us the photographs alluded to in the article, and ask them whether they have been placed in the public record previously. If so, then this may just be a case of journalistic hyperbole, but we will never know if we do not ask. END

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