

MEMORANDUM

November 14, 1997

To: Cartha DeLoach Interview File (4.0.5)
FBI File (4.16.2.1)

From: Ronald G. Haron

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FBI Team

Subject: Cartha DeLoach

On November 12, Cartha DeLoach returned my telephone call regarding a possible interview of him. To the extent we decide to interview him next year, he stated he had no desire to come to Washington, D.C. I told him that we would like to review, if possible, his notes (which he referenced in his book *Hoover's FBI*) before deciding to interview him.

Mr. DeLoach again stated that he believes the originals of his notes are with Jim Bishop's widow, Kelley Bishop. He said that he turned his notes over to Mr. Bishop sometime between 1972 and 1976 and that he did not retain a copy.¹ He did not remember the volume of notes, but stated that they were contemporaneous and not written for the purpose of any book. He volunteered that "I know of nothing I ever wrote which would change the conclusion of the case [on the assassination]."

¹ Yet, DeLoach's 1995 book, *Hoover's FBI*, references his notes as a source of information for the book.

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Mr. De Loach thought Mrs. Bishop might be in Florida, possibly Fort Lauderdale or Miami. The introduction to Bishop's book, *The Day Kennedy Was Shot*, was written from Hallandale, Florida. I am asking Sydney if he can reasonably locate Mrs. Bishop (or her daughters, Kathleen and Karen).²

² It is possible that DeLoach's notes might be at the LBJ Library as part of some Bishop materials that are there. In the July 25, 1997 initial Statement of Compliance submitted by the National Archives and Records Administration ("NARA"), the LBJ Library reported that they have "Jim Bishop Book Material." See Attachment G of NARA's Initial Compliance Statement. (The epilogue for Bishop's book states that he had assembled 18 looseleaf notebooks for a chronology regarding the day of the JFK assassination.).

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