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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (62-109060)

FROM: SAC, BALTIMORE (89-30)

SUBJECT: ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT
JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY,
11/22/63, DALLAS, TEXAS
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

At 6:25 p.m. on November 2, 1966, Mr. DAVID LIFTON, Graduate Student, University of California, telephonically contacted SA JAMES W. SIBERT while on Annual Leave at Telephone Number 912-263-4793, Quitman, Georgia. LIFTON, who was calling from Los Angeles, California, had placed a call to the agent's residence at Hyattsville, Maryland, where the operator was given the number where he could be reached at Quitman, Georgia.

LIFTON stated he was a graduate student at the University of California, was doing a research paper, and had read an account of President KENNEDY'S autopsy paper by Agents SIBERT and FRANCIS X. O'NEILL, which appeared in a book entitled, "The Second Oswald". He stated he had also read accounts in another book entitled, "Inquest". LIFTON stated he wanted to ask some questions regarding this autopsy.

LIFTON was advised that none of his questions could be answered. He then asked where he should direct an inquiry, and stated his question related to the statement made in the Agents' account that "It was apparent that a tracheotomy had been performed, as well as surgery of the head area." LIFTON stated he desired to know which person among the medical personnel present had made this statement. SA SIBERT again informed LIFTON that no comment could be made concerning the autopsy; and if he desired to write a letter regarding such information, it should be addressed to the Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Washington, D. C. He advised that he intended to write such a letter as soon as possible.

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LIFTON advised that he was disappointed that the Agent could not answer his question, since he considered this question to be of paramount importance.

On November 4, 1966, Bureau Supervisor KENNETH RAUPACH was advised that LIFTON had made the above call to SA SIBERT and was directing a letter to the Bureau, concerning his inquiry.