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10 JOHN MICAUANS. SEE II MALUN ON'S POSUNG UNS WHELE AN UNECYDEIGIANUU GOES.MEWSNELL LUHLU TO SAVE THE SINGLE BULLET THEORY? This is the first of a series of messages to Martin Shackelford who hasbeen most vocal in disparaging the notion of film editing. Thesemessages concern what I think is the greatest obstacle to believing in theauthenticity of the Z film: the number of credible witnesses who describeevents that do not occur on the film. Martin often claims the witnesses arewrong, or our interpretations of their words are wrong. But here, Martinclaims an event, alleged by me to be missing, is actually not missing. Martin, you contradict both Connallyi¾€s, the witnesses, and the FBI filmanalyst. Your opinion seems to be that ANY left turn found on the Z film-- even if it is clearly NOT the one described -- disproves the claim thata particular left turn is now missing from the Z film. You are entitledto your opinion that all these witnesses are wrong -including the FBIfilm analyst who could study his apparently less-edited version of the filmat his leisure -- but it is misleading to not state up front that yourdescriptions (below) give a radically different impression from what thewitnesses actually said. Possibly you thought that was understood, buteven so, you should make it very easy to see the dividing line between whatthey said -- and your very different interpretation which reads like itmight be a paraphrase. [Notes and references are at the end.]Connallyï¾€s own words: i¾€We heard a shot. I turned to my left -- I wassitting in the jumpseat -- I turned to my left to look in the back seat. The President had slumped. He had said nothing. Almost simultaneously, asI turned I was hit. ™FBI film analyst Shaneyfeltï¾€s own words: ï¾€...as he comes out of the signboard he is facing slightly to the right, comes around straight on andthen he turns to his left straight on...ï¾€Below, I respond to some comments posted earlier by Martin (MS):MS: I have no doubt that Connally was turning back to his left when hewas hit; the film shows exactly that happening...MLC: Your words are very different from Connallyi¾€s. Connally said heï¾€turned to my left to look in the back seat.ï¾€ You wrote ï¾€turning BACK tohis left.ï¾€Turning BACK to his left -- from a position in which Connally was turnedaround to his right, his posture as he goes behind the Stemmons sign --would merely bring him back to the front, the way he appears in Z-222 andseveral frames thereafter.By adding just one word -- and subtracting a few others -- youï¾€ve changedthe entire meaning of Connallyi¾€s statement. Looking i¾€into the back seati¾€-- or even TRYING to look into the back seat -- would necessarily put himin quite a different position than the one heï¾€s in at Z-222 and thereafter. Nowhere do we see Connally looking over his left shoulder into the backseat where Kennedy was ï¾€slumped.ï¾€MS: Early in the film, Connally turns slightly to the right, then facesthe front straight on, then turns to the left straight on (early Z-160s).MLC: The FBIï¾€s film analyst said ï¾€as he COMES OUT OF THE SIGNBOARD, heis facing slightly

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