MEMORANDUM

October 29, 1997

To: Laura Denk

From: Carrie Fletcher

Subject: Potential Additional Request on Harry Dean.

Harry Dean, whose real name is believed to be Gordon Hunt and who also went by the alias George R. Baker (information located on 62-109068-2), claimed to be an FBI informant and to have information on President Kennedy's assassination. The FBI stated that Harry Dean provided information on Fair Play for Cuba activities but that he was never an FBI informant or undercover agent. Dean first claimed to have information on Kennedy's assassination in June 1965 in an article for the La Puenta California newspaper Valley Journal written by staff writer Bill Caps. Despite repeated requests by the FBI to cease false claims, Dean continued to tell the story of his informant status for the FBI. At one point he contacted a Press agent, William Gardner, and contemplated writing a book. Dean provided information for the W.R. Morris Enterprises book The Man Behind the Gun which implicated former congressman John Rousselot, General Walker, Loran Eugene Hall, and Eladio del Valle.

Although there is no evidence of an informant file for Dean, there are several other potential sources for information. ARRB might request a search for his identification record number 4567880 or for what he claimed was his FBI code name "Junior". A review of files 62-109060-4296, 105-82555 and 100-38257 may reveal additional information. Document 62-109068-10372 was also filed in 62-109060-4296 and 105-82555. Several documents were also filed in 62-109217 and Fair Play for Cuba Chicago 100-38257.