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No active investigation being conducted by the Bureau concerning Buchanen. While the Bureau does not possess confirmatory information regarding Buchanan's alleged visits to Dallas and other United States cities to prepare his articles, it is known that he was in the United States and did make some inquiries. This information may be furnished to Alain Montarras, your principal contact in the Direction de la Surveillance du Ferritoire/C

Enclosed for your information and per your request in relet 3/20/64 is a copy of a translation of Buchanan's article in the 3/19/64 issue of the French newspaper "L'Express," as well as copies of an article refuting Bichanan and Buchanan's reply which appeared in the Hamburg, Germany, newspaper "Die Welt," on 3/17 and 3/19/64, respectively, and translations thereof (A)

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Paris letter 3/19/64 requesting information as to whether Buchanan had actually visited the U. S. and, particularly Dallas, to gather information for his series of articles on the President's assassination which have been appearing in the French newspaper, "L'Express." Buchanan admitted Communist Party member ship in 1948, 1952, and 1953 and is carried on the Reserve Index

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His articles in "L'Express" have been received from Legat. Paris, translated and copies thereof forwarded to the President's Commission. No active investigation being conducted on Buchanan, but information re his presence in the U. S. being furnished Legat for reference to the DSTIC which wants to know if Buchanan's articles were or were not written in Paris. If information shows articles prepared in Paris without visit to U. S. to get facts, Legat says DST may be able to take some discreet action to discredit or neutralize Buchanan.] Answers to Legat letters held up Copending receipt of translations of Buchanan's articles received in Paris 3-20-64 letter and of articles in "Die Welt" 3-17-64 and 3-19-64 which could be furnished to Legat, Paris, in one letter. Legat, Paris, also (furnishing DST appropriate background information re Buchanan, Baltimore, Dallas, Miami and WFO also being furnished copies of translations of Buchanan's articles and "Die Welt" items 3/17 and 3/19/64 for information by separate communication. Above offices being requested to make no inquiry, but to furnish any available information re Buchanan's visit for transmittal to Legat, Paris

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