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MEMORANDUM

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (62-107261)

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FROM: SAC, DALLAS (105-1280) (P)

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Re Dallas letter to Bureau, 2/14/64; Bureau airtel to Denver, et al, 2/24/64; Kansas City airtel to Bureau, 3/3/64; Oklahoma City letter to Dallas, 3/11/64.

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