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23 APR 1968

## MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Garrison Investigation of Kennedy Assassination:  
Marshall Wilson HOUTS

1. HOUTS is the author of the article "President Kennedy's Autopsy Was Bungled", which appeared in the 4 March 1968 issue of Medical Economics. The article is condensed from the book Where Death Delights: The Story of Dr. Milton Helpern and Forensic Medicine. Dr. Helpern, the Medical Examiner of the City of New York, is the actual source of the information. (There is no identifiable record of Dr. Helpern in RID.) HOUTS is the writer.

2. HOUTS is also the source of the following biographic information about himself:

28 June 1919, born in Chattanooga, Tennessee.

1935-1937, attended Brevard Junior College, Brevard, N.C.

1937-1941, attended University of Minnesota (received B.S. and L.L.B.).

May 1941 -- September 1941, PFC, USMC Reserve. (He was attending an OCS, was discharged at his own request to become an aviation cadet, and then was not appointed because of defective color perception.)

October 1941 -- December 1943, Special Agent, FBI (February 1943 to August 1943 in Rio de Janeiro under newspaperman cover. October 1943 -- November 1943 in Havana as an Assistant Legal Attache).

December 1943 -- February 1944, Unemployed.

February 1944 -- March 1944, Operations Agent, Eastern Air Lines.

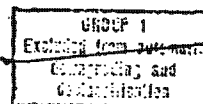
April 1944 -- March 1946, in U.S. Army (served with OSS).

May 1946 -- October 1946, Special Agent, War Assets Administration.

November 1946 -- July 1951, member of firm of Palmer and Houts, Piperstone, Minnesota.

July 1951 -- June 1952, self-employed in Tulsa, Oklahoma, as a salesman and investigator.

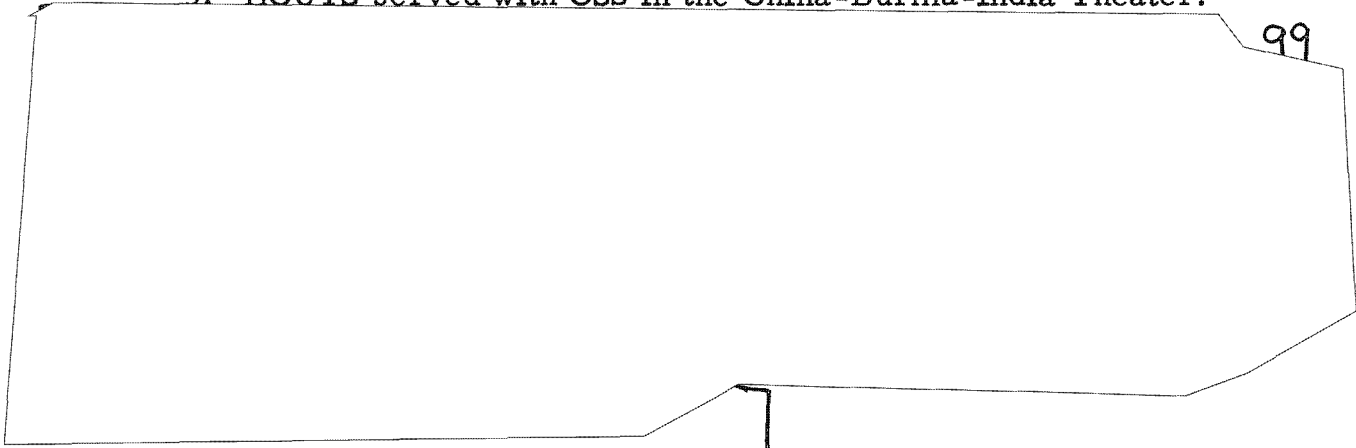
3. HOUTS unsuccessfully applied for employment with this Agency in 1952.

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4. According to the description of the author in Medical Economics, HOUTS is the writer of nine other books on legal matters, including an eight-volume work on trauma.

5. HOUTS served with OSS in the China-Burma-India Theater.



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