

CARL EIERLE

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October, 16. 1975

Sehr geehrte Herren!

Da ich nicht gut englisch schreiben kann, darum schreibe ich Ihnen in German. Es ist auch besser aus Sicherheits-Gründen?

Ich weiß nicht, wer mein Brief zu Händen bekommt, da ich keine genaue Adresse habe an wen ich diese Mitteilung mache.

Ihre Aufklärung der Robert Kennedy Tragödie will ich Ihnen folgendes Beweis-material zu wissen lassen; Was der Grund ist und die Situation dass Robert ermordet wurde. Ich vertrat die Auffassung dass in Ihrem Büro die Ermittlungen in der Strafverfolgung vorliegen und ausgeführt werden. Im Jahre 1968 habe ich eine lange Unterhaltung mit angehört, in einem Local in Manhattan New York. Wo sich einige Herren unterhalten und sich darüber amüsiert haben. Ich war mir selbst nicht bewußt, ob ich nicht diese Informationen der Strafverfolgungs-Behörde zu übergeben, (FBI). Ich habe mich mit einem Mann unterhalten in hohem Rang im U.S. Government. Dieser Herr empfahl mir keinen Gebrauch zu machen, da ich kein amerikanischer Staatsbürger bin, er ist möglich dass der Verdacht auftaucht.

oder dass ich in eine unahnungsvolle
Schwierigkeit mit dem Immigration
Büro komme, dass die den Verdacht
erschöpfen, ich irgend welche Bezie-
hung in der Unterwelt (Mafia) habe.
Ich habe nie in meinem Leben Gewinn-
bringende Geschäfte Geschäftsreisend gemacht
unterhalten. Ich war oder wurde gezwungen,
Präparation anzufertigen von der, die
(Mafia) Rausch gift aus Thailand und
Bogato in die U S A einfuhrten. All
diese Vertellungen habe ich später
kennen gelernt, nach dem ich alles
angefertigt habe. Nun um zur Sache
zu kommen? warum "Robert" ermordet
wurde ist I. der Grund:

In der J. F. Kennedy Administration
war Robert Attorney General. Robert
hat die Steuerverwaltung vertreten dass
er in der Lage ist dem Original
Crime Büro was die "Mafia" betrifft,
ein Ende zu machen. Es ist in
der Öffentlichkeit durch geblieben
dass Robert mit Hilfe seines Bruders
John in hohem Command als Präsident
in der Lage ist die Mafia Movement
ein Ende zu machen.

Die Mafia hat den Durchbruch erreicht
I. den President zu töten und also
II. Robert zu töten.

Die zwei geführten die Geschäfte in der ganzen "Mafia" Bewegung all over the Country. Es wurde ein Plan ausgearbeitet von den Top Bosses wie alles gemacht wird.

Ich hörte wie die ^{die} Unterhaltung hatten: wir finden immer den richtigen "hit man" wo fillet aus dem Contract. ein unbekannter man offerte Sirhan 20 Grand, ein anderer unbekannter man war 20 Grand angeboten to "hit" Sirhan, gleich sofort, Sirhan zu erschießen. Alles ist nicht so gegangen wie geplant. Darum ist heute noch die Frage unbeantwortet, es muß eine zweite Pistole involvt gewesen sein. Das ist richtig: eine Pistole von Sirhan, no Robert "hit" und die zweite von einem unbekannten "hit man" wo den Auftrag hatte, Sirhan to "hit". Alles ist so schnell gegangen dass niemand es gesehen hat wer und von welcher position der unbekannte hitman geschossen hat. Der unbekannte hitman war ein perfecter hitman in der Underwelt, der gewußte wie und von wo er unbemerkt schießen kann, zur selben Zeit wenn Sirhan

Pullt den Drucker. In ähnlichem
Motiv wurde die assassination von
J. F. Kennedy durch geführt. Ich habe
einen Bericht und Motiv gertern der
F.B.I. in Washington zu wissen lassen.
Was ich aus der Unterhaltung mit-
an gehört habe. Die namen und Location
von diesen Herren teile ich Ihnen mit
wenn Sie still daran interessiert sind
in einer weiteren Ermittlung. Ich kann
Ihnen ebenfalls ein Briege bringen
wo ich 1968 erzählte Sie werden sehen
dass Robert wird ermordet wenn er
für den Presidents Sitz geht. Diese
Personen konnte es nicht lassen dass
ich solche Auffassung äußere.
Mehr Details gebe ich Ihnen wenn
Sie daran interessiert sind. Bitte
wischen Sie mir kein "Schwierigkeiten"
weil ich diese Informationen solange
verbergen halte.
Mit Nachsicht grüßt Sie.

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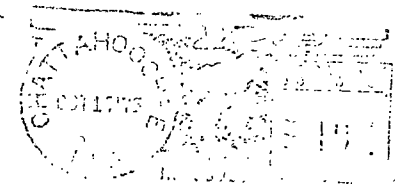
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Carl Eierle

FLORIDA STATE HOSPITAL

CHATTAHOOCHEE, FLORIDA 32324

6 West



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FBI Bureau

11000 Wilshire

Los Angeles, California 90024

Post Office please check for exact address

Mr. T.

10/23/75

AIRTEL

AIR MAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (ATTN: LABORATORY, TRANSLATION UNIT)

FROM: ACTING ADIC, LOS ANGELES (62-0)(P)

SUBJECT: CARL EIERLE
FLORIDA STATE HOSPITAL
6 West
Chattahoochee, Florida
MISCELLANEOUS -
INFORMATION CONCERNING

Enclosed for the Bureau and the Jacksonville Division is a four page letter written in the German language.

It is requested the letter be translated into the English language by the Bureau and its contents evaluated for whatever action the Bureau deems appropriate.

It is requested Jacksonville check its indices concerning CARL EIERLE for any information which might be of assistance to the Bureau in determining a course of action, it being noted EIERLE's return address is a Florida State Hospital.

No information identifiable with CARL EIERLE was located in the files of the Los Angeles Division. The letter has not yet been acknowledged by the Los Angeles Division and any acknowledgement by Los Angeles will be held in abeyance pending receipt of instructions from the Bureau.

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It is requested one copy each of the English translation be sent to the Los Angeles and Jacksonville Divisions.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : ADIC, Los Angeles - 2

DATE: November 10, 1975

FROM : Director, FBI

SUBJECT: CARL EIERLE
FLORIDA STATE HOSPITAL
6 West
Chattahoochee, Florida
MISCELLANEOUS -
INFORMATION CONCERNING

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Attached is the translation which you requested by airtel dated 10/23/75.

The contents thereof, where pertinent, must be reported under appropriate captions and afforded whatever investigative attention is necessary.

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TRANSLATION FROM GERMAN

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Florida State Hospital
Chattahoochee, Florida 32324

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October 16, 1975

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I am under the impression that your office dealt with and conducted the investigations for the prosecution. In 1968, I heard a long conversation in a bar in Manhattan, New York, in which a few men were talking about and amusing themselves with this matter. I didn't know if I should give this information to the prosecutors (FBI). I talked to a man in a high position in the U.S. Government. This man recommended that I not do anything with it because I am not an American citizen and it is possible that the suspicion would arise that I have some connection to the underworld (Mafia), or that I would get into unpleasant trouble with the Immigration Service that would create such a suspicion. Never in my life have I conducted profitable transactions against the law. I was or had been forced to make preparations for bringing (Mafia) narcotics into the U.S.A. from Thailand and Bogotá. I later became acquainted with all of the facts after I had arranged everything.

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The assassination of J. F. Kennedy was carried out for similiar motives. Yesterday I sent a report and a list of motives to the FBI in Washington. This involved what I gathered from the conversation. I will tell you the names and whereabouts of these gentlemen if you are still interested in a further investigation. I can also produce a witness to whom I said in 1968 that Robert would be murdered because he was running for the Presidency. This person couldn't believe that I would say such things.

I will give you more details if you are interested. Please don't cause me any "difficulties" because I have concealed this information so long.

Until I hear from you, you have my best regards.

Respectfully,

(signed) Carl Eierle

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : ADIC LOS ANGELES (56-156)

DATE: 12/4/75

FROM : SA ALFRED C. GREINER

SUBJECT: KENSALT
CIVIL RIGHTS

Rerep SA AMEDEE O. RICHARDS, JR. dated 6/9/68 at Los Angeles,
pages 44 thru 107.

This is to advise that the writer received a phone call at 11:25 a.m. this date from a female caller advising that her name was "BROOKS" with CBS News in New York City. She advised that she was in possession of a FBI Report in connection with the ROBERT KENNEDY shooting in Los Angeles, California at the Ambassador Hotel. She requested some information about captions to photographs appearing in the report. I advised her that I could make "no comment". She continued that it would be off the record. I still informed her that I could not make any comment. I informed her that I could not answer any questions as I did not have the report she was referring to at hand. She asked who at Washington could answer the questions she had, and I said I did not know who would know, again stating that I did not know exactly what she was referring to. She said the photo's were taken by a photographer named FERNANDES and that my name also appeared in the particular section of the report. I said that I was sorry but that I could not make any comments. She thanked me and then hung up.

The above is being furnished for information purposes.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (62-587)

FROM : *WJ* ADIC, LOS ANGELES (56-156) (P)

SUBJECT: KENSALT

DATE: 1/16/76

Enclosed for the Bureau is the original and four (4) copies of a letterhead memorandum (LHM) captioned "LEONARD PETER RANGLE."

For the information of the Bureau on 9/5/75, Warden E. T. POGUE, Nevada State Prison, Carson City, Nevada, advised that RANGLE had requested an interview with the FBI concerning information related to the assassination of ROBERT KENNEDY in Los Angeles, California. Assistant Warden NORMAN SNEELGROVE, Nevada State Prison, advised that RANGLE is somewhat unstable and information furnished by him should be considered in its proper prospective.

The Las Vegas Office interviewed RANGLE at the Nevada State Prison and furnished an FD 302, the contents of which are set forth in the LHM.

The indices of the Los Angeles Office were negative concerning LEONARD PETER RANGLE. In view of the information received from RANGLE, no further investigation is being conducted by this office.

As all previous information obtained in this case has been disseminated to the Los Angeles District Attorney's Office and to the Los Angeles Police Department, copies of this LHM will be furnished to these departments.

Unless advised to the contrary by the Bureau, no further action is being taken by this office.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

11000 Wilshire Boulevard
Los Angeles, California 90024
January 16, 1976

LEONARD PETER RANGLE

Warden E. T. Pogue of the Nevada State Prison, Carson City, Nevada, advised the Las Vegas Office of the FBI that Leonard Peter Rangle had requested an interview with the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) concerning information related to the assassination of Robert Kennedy in Los Angeles, California.

Leonard Peter Rangle was interviewed at the Nevada State Prison, Maximum Security, at his request concerning a conversation he had with Sharif Sirhan in approximately June or July of 1974. He identified Sharif as the brother of Sirhan Sirhan. This conversation, according to Rangle, took place in the Los Angeles, California, County Jail where Sirhan was being held on charges of mailing a threatening letter and Rangle was awaiting transportation to State Prison after a first degree murder conviction. Rangle was subsequently transferred to the Nevada State Prison for protection after turning State's Evidence.

This document contains neither recommendations nor conclusions of the FBI. It is the property of the FBI and is loaned to your agency; it and its contents are not to be distributed outside your agency.

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LEONARD. PETER RANGLE

Rangle advised that after becoming friends with Sirhan they discussed politics and briefly the assassination of Robert Kennedy in Los Angeles. During this conversation, Sirhan mentioned that "she got away;" however, did not further discuss this aspect. Sirhan also advised that "the gun that he used got switched; Sirhan was innocent. Sirhan will get cut loose sooner or later."

Rangle stated that no further statements were made concerning this assassination. Rangle recently decided to make this information available to the FBI due to the current interest in reopening the Kennedy assassination.

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Date: 1/19/76

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (62-587)
FROM: ADIC, LOS ANGELES (56-156) (P)
SUBJECT: KENSALT
(OO: Los Angeles)

Re Dallas airtel to Jacksonville, dated 11/4/75; Los Angeles airtel to the Bureau (ATTN: LABORATORY TRANSLATION UNIT), dated 10/23/75, captioned "CARL EIERLE, Florida State Hospital, 6 West Chattahoochee, Florida; MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING;" Bureau letter to Los Angeles, dated 11/10/75, captioned "KENSALT."

Referenced Dallas airtel enclosed for Los Angeles and Jacksonville a copy of a letter from CARLO EARLE, residence Post Office Box 102, Sneads, Florida 32434.

In this letter, EARLE advised that he had pertinent information regarding the assassination of ROBERT KENNEDY.

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The Dallas Office indices contained no identifiable information regarding EARLE.

In this referenced communication, Jacksonville was requested to interview CARLO EARLE regarding information set out in the enclosed letter and furnish pertinent information to the Bureau, and Los Angeles.

The Los Angeles Office received a letter postmarked 10/17/75, from CARL EIERLE, Florida State Hospital, Chattahoochee, Florida 32324, 6 West. This letter was written in German and Los Angeles forwarded this letter to the Laboratory Translation Unit for translation. A copy of this letter was also sent to the Jacksonville Office and Jacksonville was requested to check indices concerning CARL EIERLE for any information which might be of assistance to the Bureau, in determining a course of action, as it should be noted that EIERLE's return address is a Florida State Hospital.

No information identifiable with CARL EIERLE was located in the files of the Los Angeles Division. It was requested that a copy of the English translation be sent to the Jacksonville Office.

Referenced Bureau letter to Los Angeles advised that letter, dated 10/16/75, from this same correspondent was received by the Bureau on 10/20/75. Its contents, according to the referenced Bureau letter, was similar to the communication which was translated above.

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It is requested that the Bureau advise as to what action was taken concerning the letter received on 10/20/75, from the same correspondent who forwarded the letter to the Los Angeles Office.

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The Jacksonville Office is requested to check through indices or conduct other logical investigation to determine if CARLO EARLE, who wrote the letter forwarded by Dallas, might be identical to CARL EIERLE, who forwarded the letters to both the Los Angeles Office of the FBI and to the Bureau.

Also, in connection with the captioned KENSALT matter, the Bureau is requested to advise, depending upon the outcome of the Jacksonville investigation, whether or not a letterhead memorandum (LHM) would be required in this matter.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

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FROM : *EC/mtk* ADIC, LOS ANGELES (56-156) (P)
SUBJECT: KENSALT
(OO: Los Angeles)

DATE: 1/26/76

Re Mobile airtel to the Bureau and Los Angeles, dated 9/29/75.

Referenced airtel enclosed for the Bureau an FD 302 of ERNEST H. HORNSBY, Attorney At Law, Dothan, Alabama, a letter written to Mr. HORNSBY by DAVID SLOAN and a letter directed to DAVID SLOAN from TED CHARACH.

These enclosures outline a story of an alleged second gun in the ROBERT F. KENNEDY Assassin.

In view of the testimony of a panel of experts relating to the second gun theory in this matter, no investigation is warranted concerning this phase of the KENSALT Investigation.

Also, as HORNSBY has requested that he not be identified to SLOAN as having furnished this information and that SLOAN not be shown these letters, it is suggested that this information not be disseminated to local authorities as it would be difficult to protect HORNSBY's identity. Also, as this case has not been reopened in the State of California for investigation, it is not likely that any follow-up investigation will be done by local authorities.

As the Bureau has already information in this matter, no letterhead memorandum will be prepared by Los Angeles, UACB and no further investigation will be conducted on this phase of the investigation.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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In Reply, Please Refer to
File No. JK 89-10

Jacksonville, Florida
November 26, 1975

ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT
JOHN F. KENNEDY
NOVEMBER 22, 1963
DALLAS, TEXAS

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October 16, 1975

Dear sirs,

I am writing to you in German because I cannot write English very well. It is also better for security reasons, isn't it? I don't know who will get hold of my letter because I don't have an exact address to which I can make this report. I want to inform you of the following evidence for the purpose of clearing up the Robert Kennedy tragedy - that is, the reason why and the circumstances under which Robert was murdered.

I am under the impression that your office dealt with and conducted the investigations for the prosecution. In 1968, I heard a long conversation in a bar in Manhattan, New York, in which a few men were talking about and amusing themselves with this matter. I didn't know if I should give this information to the prosecutors (FBI). I talked to a man in a high position in the U.S. Government. This man recommended that I not do anything with it because I am not an American citizen and it is possible that the suspicion would arise that I have some connection to the underworld (Mafia), or that I would get into unpleasant trouble with the Immigration Service that would create such a suspicion. Never in my life have I conducted profitable transactions against the law. I was or had been forced to make preparations for bringing (Mafia) narcotics into the U.S.A. from Thailand and Bogota. I later became acquainted with all of the facts after I had arranged everything.

Now, to come to the point. Why was Robert murdered? This is the primary reason:

In the J. F. Kennedy Administration, Robert was Attorney General. Robert was of the opinion that he was in a position to put an end to the Mafia and that the Organized Crime Section could be used for this purpose. It was public knowledge that Robert, with the help of his brother John serving in the "high command" as President, was in a position to put an end to the Mafia movement.

The Mafia decided to (1) kill the President and (2) to kill Robert also. The two of them were threatening the operations of the entire Mafia movement all over the country. A plan was formulated by the top bosses, as everything is done. I heard how these men were talking: "We" always find the right "hit man" to fulfill a contract. An unidentified man offered Sirhan 20 grand, and another unidentified man was offered 20 grand to "hit" Sirhan right away - that is to shoot Sirhan. Everything didn't go as planned. This is the reason why there is still today an unanswered question: Was there a second gun? Yes, there was. The first gun was that of Sirhan, who "hit" Robert, and the second gun was that of an unidentified "hit man" who had a contract to "hit" Sirhan. Everything happened so fast that no one saw who the unidentified "hit man" was and from what position he shot. The unidentified "hit man" was a perfect underworld "hit man" who knew exactly how and from where he could inconspicuously shoot at the same time that Sirhan was pulling the trigger.

The assassination of J. F. Kennedy was carried out for similar motives. Yesterday I sent a report and a list of motives to the FBI in Washington. This involved what I gathered from the conversation. I will tell you the names and whereabouts of these gentlemen if you are still interested in a further investigation. I can also produce a witness to whom I said in 1968 that Robert would be murdered because he was running for the Presidency. This person couldn't believe that I would say such things.

I will give you more details if you are interested. Please don't cause me any "difficulties" because I have concealed this information so long.

Until I hear from you, you have my best regards.

Respectfully,

(signed) Carl Eierle

TRANSLATOR'S NOTE:

A letter dated October 16, 1975, from this same correspondent was received by the Bureau on October 20, 1975. Its content was similar to that of the communication which is translated above.

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TRANSLATION FROM GERMAN AND TRANSCRIPTION FROM
PHONETIC ENGLISH

Envelope, postmarked Chattahoochee, Fla., 10/17/75,
is addressed to the FBI Bureau (sic), Washington, D.C.

The return address reads:

Carl Elerle
6 West
Florida State Hospital
Chattahoochee, Florida 32324

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October 16, 1975

Gentlemen:

The time has come for me to tell you what I've
been keeping to myself for a long time.

I'm writing in the German language because my English
isn't that good and, secondly, because there are always nosy
people around, looking over my shoulder to see what I'm doing.
Everybody here knows that I've something to do with the
underworld. I've often been warned to keep my mouth shut,
otherwise I would be killed. Well, in 1970 an attempt was made
when I was shot twice in my stomach and my life was saved in
a hospital. My wife was murdered in 1973, but this was of her
own making -- "involvement in a narcotics ring."

From 1965 to 1969 I lived in New York, working as
a self-employed builder and interior decorator and making
kitchen cabinets. I can't tell you now how I became involved
with the underworld (Mafia). Before I do, we'll have to come
to a clear understanding on some conditions I have.

TRANSLATED BY:
IHOR MYCHALUS: sdd
October 22, 1975

CONFIDENTIAL

And now I want to tell you the plain truth about the murders of President J.F. Kennedy and his brother Robert. When I was making new kitchen cabinets for Jaffy, I said to Mrs. Jaffy: "You'll see, Robert will get murdered before he reaches the office of the President." It was inconceivable to her that I would make such a statement. A few weeks later, I was in the "Umberto Claim House" Restaurant located in Manhattan in New York City. Sitting next to my table were some men talking about how everything turned out well with the murders of Robert and John. They talked about how "we" always find the right man for a "hit," meaning a contract for the killing of a person. It's a very interesting case to see and understand everything clearly. They used many Italian words, making it hard for me to understand everything. One of the men with gray hair, not very tall, slender, speaking in a soft voice, said that Oswald had been offered 50 grand to kill J.F. Kennedy and that Jack Ruby was offered 20 grand to kill Oswald right after he had shot John Kennedy. Ruby was at the wrong place to rub out Oswald and consequently was nabbed by the police. Ruby had good connections with the Mafia, as I was able to gather from this conversation. Russia and Nosenko had nothing to do with the assassination of Kennedy.

The assassination of Robert Kennedy was carried out in the same manner. A stranger offered Sirhan 20 grand to assassinate Robert. Another man had been given a contract to kill Sirhan immediately after Robert was assassinated. Investigations showed that many more bullets had been fired than those found on Robert's body. As I recall, five shots had been fired. As a result, a question was raised about the possibility of a second gun. It's "true" that a second gun was to have been used, not to kill Robert but to rub out Sirhan. The "hit" man was paid 20 grand for this job. Sirhan knows well that he had better keep his mouth shut; otherwise he will get killed like all the others.

Before the assassination of Robert Kennedy, I met and talked for hours with the soft-spoken man about all kinds of things, politics and the "Cosa Nostra," which means "our family" in Italian. It's interesting what goes on there.

I'm very sorry that I'm only now able to tell you all these things. There are many reasons for this. I had nothing to do with the assassination of the two Kennedy brothers. At the time John Kennedy was murdered I was in Africa. And when Robert Kennedy was killed, I was, as far as I recall, working for Jaffy (I heard the news of his assassination on the radio).

I neither hope nor expect that I'll be "framed" in any way for the assassinations or for withholding this information for such a long time. I always believed that the police would be able to uncover all this by themselves. Today it sounds unbelievable to me how the Mafia can be so clever and crafty in carrying out assassinations.

The James Hoffa case is interesting, don't you think? Why don't you bring in and put behind bars Tony Giacalone, Leonard Schultz and Antony Provenzano? They are the people who knew full well that Hoffa would be killed. Charge them with conspiracy to murder Hoffa. Maybe Sam Barry took him. They know quite well how everything was planned. Because of this threesome it was possible to talk Hoffa into coming to a meeting that never was. Everything was a well-planned trick to get him.

When I'm free next year, I'll take this case and try to solve it, for it has remained a big mystery to date. I've some very good connections in the underworld.

Please don't try to make use of the things I've just told you. Otherwise I'll be forced to stop talking.

I've good contacts all over the United States. I speak English quite well, but I can't write well. Maybe it's better for my own protection to write everything in German. At any rate, I kindly ask you not to tell anybody who told you or how you found out about these circumstances. I want to help you to clear up the case. If you need a sworn statement, please let me know/I'll be happy to oblige you.

and

Very truly yours,

Carl Kierle

And now I would like to tell you why I'm being held here in the Florida State Hospital. I have been accused of having murdered my wife. The police are still trying to "frame" me for the murder. My case is one of the most interesting cases you have ever heard of. The autopsy showed that no violence had been done to her. No one knows the exact cause of her death. The body was found three days later in one of the septic tanks on the property my wife and I lived on. It belonged to my wife.

Willie James, a Negro, about 50, is responsible for her death. He is the "hit" man. I know that he has killed about 14 people. He had killed his first man in 1960, for which he was convicted and sent to Raiford Prison. He was paroled in 1968.

He was working for me, for my company in 1971 and at that time I found out all about his involvements. He saved my life when a second contract was put out to kill me. His partner had the contract and he asked Willie to help him. After Willie had found out that he wanted to kill his boss (me), he didn't like the idea. He set it up so that his partner got killed, and not I. W. James did it without letting me know it. After everything was over, he told me what was going on. At that time he also told me that he had had enough time to get rid of his (partner's) car so that the police wouldn't find out about the 8 or 9 murders he had committed together with his partner. In 1971 alone he killed Walter Defreze and the two Homstead girls (the two girls were also connected to a narcotics ring). My wife was at the scene of the incident, a fact I learned in October or November 1972. He, James, is also responsible for the death of his partner. I know he killed several more people during 1971, but I never found out who they were and when they had been killed. He did it with another guy who was also a "hit" man for the Meyer Lansky family and for a big narcotics ring. Several guys from this narcotics ring have been arrested and one of them has also been charged with murder. I found this out on the 20th of September when I was visited by two investigators from Fort Lauderdale, and after I informed them who killed Walter Defreze. They kept asking me if I had something to do with the murder. The Miami police are also trying to frame me for the murder of the two Homstead girls. They told me I knew too much; I had something to do with it. I know that the girls were killed with my gun. James stole the gun from me. I reported to the police that my gun had been stolen. Anyway I reported it after the girls had already been killed. I never knew exactly when he took it. After I had seen my gun in his car, he told me that he took it on the last day before I sent him home. That was the day or a week before he killed the girls. He only told me to watch out because the gun was hot. The police never found this out from him. They only know it because I told them. They never charged me. They had me in Miami a year ago for questioning. They tried to blame me for the murder. When they arrived at a dead end they wouldn't take my word for it. They frame whoever is the best possibility. That's the psychology (sic) of the Dade County Police Department.

There is also one detective who is involved in a narcotics ring and prostitution. He hates me like nothing else. He threatened my life. If I make a wrong move, he will kill me wherever I am, or he will put me behind bars for the rest of my life. I can't do anything about the Police Department. I don't know what to do.

me,
If you want to get in touch with me, you better hurry. Next week I'll be going before a staff board, and I will pass. My team is now convinced that there is nothing wrong with me. Everything is proving now that I am right.

With kindest regards, I am,

Sincerely,

Carl Eierle

Please get in touch with me before I leave this place. I don't know what will happen to me in the coming future. As long as I'm alive you can talk to me. You know that a dead body can never tell a story. Now I am ready to talk. I have a strange feeling that something will happen to me. I always had feelings like this in the past. I have been through a lot of hell.

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JOHN F. KENNEDY
NOVEMBER 22, 1963
DALLAS, TEXAS

The following letter was received by the
Dallas Office of the FBI from Carlo Earle, Post Office
Box 102, Sneads, Florida, and reads as follows:

P.O. Box 2
Sneads, Florida 32434

Oct. 18. 1975

Dear Sir!

I like to turn you over Important
Information, about the assassination
of the Kennedys. I was sam I day 1968
with Carlo Gambino at 2230 Ocean
Parkway Brooklyn together he is about
70 years old. He told me that Robert
get "hit" killed before he runs for
President it will happen when he campaign
and so far? Later on, after he was
death I overheard a conversation between
Carlo Gambino, Joe Barmano sen, Joe
Colombo sen. and a guy from Texas
and Illinois the are describe war talking
how well we "sat" everything up and
it worked out and so far! I read several
days ago that still a Investigation is
going about he can be involt?
The Soviet have nothing to do in the
Kennedy murder. It was a inside job
from the Mafia. Way and so far I
tell you in Person when you still inter-
ested what is all about. You have to
let me know at a buff address when you
like to see me. I let you know me

you came got a hotel of me.

Or, when you need a woman's help

I said it to you, naturally, what

even in commitment for you.

when you write me. Big, send me

a document ruled out from the Court

that I don't get charged for killing

big counsel's evidence in both murders

Case. I had a lot of serious way?

I. The safety of my life.

II. The belief my wife several years ago

Since the report me I am ready

to talk and tell you exactly

how it was read up, and so far.

I have nothing to do in the murder.

I will tell you a little more about

other involvement. At the time was

in Africa. When the killer Robert

I was working at New York. I am

a Building Contractor.

Please find everything I need

that never anything looks like

the name.

with kind regards, I am,

Sincerely,

Carlo Cast

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On November 13, 1975, Carl Eierle, also known as Carlo Earle, patient, Florida State Hospital, Chattahoochee, Florida, was contacted at the hospital and Earle acknowledged having written several letters to the FBI in various cities concerning information regarding the "Assassination of John and Robert Kennedy."

It was noted Eierle has an accent and limited proficiency in the English language.

Eierle advised he was born February 22, 1936 in Germany and immigrated to the United States in 1965. Eierle advised he remains a German citizen. Eierle advised he is a skilled cabinet maker, has been married four times, the last marriage to Rosemarie, Nee, Gramling (age 32), who died May 6, 1973 in Dade County, Florida, "Killed by the Mafia". Eierle said she was "Used by the Mafia - she was a whore". It was observed Eierle is a white male, and he stated he is 6' tall and weighs 220 pounds. Eierle advised he has been taken off his tranquilizer medication for about a month.

Eierle advised he became associated with the "Mafia or LCN" after coming to the United States but did not become a member.

Eierle advised that "In the Summer of 1968, Carlo Gambino, 2230 Ocean Parkway, Brooklyn, New York told me any Kennedy who runs for president will get killed". Eierle advised he was doing cabinet work for Gambino at the time but was at a loss as to explaining why Gambino would tell him that.

Eierle stated that on an unrecalled date, Carlo Gambino, Joe Banano, Joe Colombo and several others were seated in the Umberto Clam House, an Italian restaurant in New York City, discussing the killing of the Kennedys.

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Eierle stated he was seated nearby with some friends, however, he did not hear everything that was said.

Eierle digressed to the subject concerning the death of his wife, stating that it could not be ascertained how his wife died and consequently did not understand how he could be accused of murdering her. Eierle exhibited a letter from his attorney, Martin S. Saxon, 542 Northwest 12th Avenue, Miami, Florida, in which Saxon stated he was unable to form a defense for Eierle as he had received approximately eleven different versions from Eierle concerning the circumstances of his (Eierle's) wife's death. Saxon pointed out in the letter that Eierle lived next door to a police officer who observed Eierle working around the septic tank in Eierle's yard about the time of the disappearance of Eierle's wife whose body was located a few days later in the septic tank in a badly decomposed state; consequently, the cause of death could not be determined.

Eierle was unable to furnish any more information than that set out in the letter he has written and believes he is being "framed by the Dade County Police Department for following instructions from the 'Mafia'".

Eierle furnished a signed statement authorizing release of information from his record at Florida State Hospital, Chattahoochee, Florida.

On November 13, 1975, Willard L. Hatcher, Clinical Social Worker, Florida State Hospital, Chattahoochee, Florida, advised Carl Eierle was committed by the Circuit Court, Dade County, Florida, November 15, 1973 as incompetent to stand trial on a charge of murder in the first degree. Hatcher stated Eierle was admitted

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to Florida State Hospital on December 18, 1973. Hatcher advised Eierle had previous commitments to South Florida State Hospital, Hollywood, Florida, from September 14, 1972 to January 26, 1973; October 31, 1973 to November 14, 1973; and November 16, 1973 to December 17, 1973.

Hatcher advised that in October, 1975, Eierle appeared before the General Evaluation Staff at Florida State Hospital which consists of three psychiatrists, two psychologists, and two social workers who were unanimous in agreement that Eierle be continued in hospitalization and not released. Hatcher advised that the record diagnosis Eierle as being schizophrenic - chronic paranoid type.

Hatcher advised that Eierle is obsessed with thoughts of his connections with the "Mafia" who will sometime in the future help Eierle to escape from the hospital.

11/26/75

AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (62-109060)
FROM: SAC, JACKSONVILLE (89-10) (C)
SUBJECT: ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT
JOHN F. KENNEDY
11/22/63
DALLAS, TEXAS

(OO: DL)

Re LA airtel to Bureau, 10/23/75, captioned
"CARL EIERLE, FLORIDA STATE HOSPITAL, 6 WEST, CHATTAHOOCHEE,
FLORIDA;" Bureau nitel (facsimile) to JK, 10/29/75,
captioned, "ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY,
11/22/63, DALLAS, TEXAS;" Bureau letter to LA, 11/10/75,
captioned, "CARL EIERLE, FLORIDA STATE HOSPITAL, 6 WEST,
CHATTAHOOCHEE, FLORIDA;" DL airtel to JK and LA,
11/4/75, captioned, "KENSALT, OO: LA".

Enclosed for the Bureau are the original and
five copies of an LHM containing results of interview
with CARL (NMN) EIERLE, aka Carlo Earle, patient at
Florida State Hospital, Chattahoochee, Florida.

Enclosed for Los Angeles are two copies of LHM
regarding interview with EIERLE.

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Jacksonville indices negative on CARL (NMN)
EIERLE.

No copy of enclosed LHM being furnished USA,
NDF, Tallahassee, Florida, inasmuch as EIERLE has not
furnished any information of value.

No further investigation being conducted regarding
this matter by Jacksonville Division.

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AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (62-587)
FROM: SAC, JACKSONVILLE (44-793) (RUC)
SUBJ: KENSALT
(OO: LOS ANGELES)

Re Los Angeles airtel to the Bureau, dated 1/19/76, captioned as above and Jacksonville airtel to the Bureau, dated 11/26/75, captioned "ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY, 11/22/63, DALLAS, TEXAS," Bufile 62-109060.

For the information of receiving offices, the referenced Jacksonville airtel forwarded to the Bureau, Dallas, and Los Angeles an LHM captioned "ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY, 11/22/63, DALLAS, TEXAS," dated 11/26/75. This LHM contained the English translation of letters written to Los Angeles and the Bureau by CARL EIERLE and a letter to Dallas from CARLO EARL and the results of the interview conducted by Jacksonville Agents of CARL EIERLE, aka Carlo Earl.

Since EARL is a patient in a mental hospital at Chattahoochee, Florida, and an LHM has been submitted by Jacksonville concerning this matter, it is recommended that no further investigation be conducted by other offices regarding this matter.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (02-) AND ADIC,

LOS ANGELES (02-)

FROM: ADIC, NEW YORK (02-15164)

KENSALT; (OO:LOS ANGELES)

RE BUREAU FACSIMILE TELETYPE TO NEW YORK, FEBRUARY
11, (1976.

ON FEBRUARY 20, 1976, DR. MICHAEL KRASSNER, PSYCHIATRIST,
N. E. NASSAU PSYCHIATRIC HOSPITAL, KINGS PARK, NEW YORK,
VERIFIED ROBERT ALLEN COUCH AS PATIENT AT ABOVE INSTITUTION
DECEMBER 11, (1975 THROUGH FEBRUARY 11, (1976. DR. KRASSNER
ADVISED UNABLE TO FURNISH INFORMATION RE COUCH WITHOUT
MEDICAL RELEASE.

EFFORTS TO LOCATE AND INTERVIEW COUCH REFLECT MOST
CURRENT ADDRESS 108 SHIELDS AVENUE, WILKISTON PARK, NEW
YORK, C/O STANLEY AUGUSEWICZ. EFFORTS TO LOCATE COUCH
AND/OR AUGUSEWICZ NEGATIVE TO DATE.

NEW YORK AT GARDEN CITY RESIDENT AGENCY. WILL
CONTINUE EFFORTS TO LOCATE AND INTERVIEW ROBERT ALLEN COUCH.
END.

HOLD FOR ONE TEL

GLD FBI LOS ANGELES FOR TWO

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Date: 3/5/76

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Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (62-587)

FROM: ADIC, LOS ANGELES (56-156)

SUBJECT: KENSALT
OO: Los Angeles

Re New York teletype to Bureau and Los Angeles
3/1/76.

Referenced teletype refers to Bureau facsimile
teletype to New York dated 2/11/76.

New York is requested to send Los Angeles copy
of facsimile teletype from Bureau, as Los Angeles has no
background information concerning ROBERT ALLEN COUCH.

- 2 - Bureau
- 1 - New York (62-15164)
- ① - Los Angeles

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Special Agent in Charge

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : ADIC LOS ANGELES (56-156) DATE: 3-18-76

FROM : ADIC NEW YORK (62-15164) (P)

SUBJECT: KEN SALT
(OO: LA)

REF: LA AIRTEL TO BUREAU, 3/5/76.

Attached herewith for LOS ANGELES
ARE COPY OF LETTER FROM ROBERT ALLEN
COUNCH WHICH WERE FORWARDED TO THE
NYO VIA BUREAU FACSIMILE TELETYPE
DATED 3/11/76.

FACSIMILE

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DEAR SENATOR KENNEDY:

My NAME IS Robert ^{DOUGLASS}
I AM CONFINED TO THE NORTHEAST MASSACHUSETTS
PSYCHIATRIC HOSPITAL IN KINGS PARK L.I.
NEW YORK (VOLUNTARILY)

THE REASON I AM HERE IS THAT
IN APRIL OF 1967, I WAS TAKEN TO
SAN FRANCISCO CALIF. BY A MR. TOM
O'MALLEY (WHO WAS ONE OF THE STARS
OF "THE CANDID CAMERA") AND THROUGH
HIM WAS OFFERED A LARGE AMOUNT OF
MONEY TO GO OUT TO JAIL WITH A
SMALL CALIBER PISTOL AT THE AMBASSADOR
HOTEL IN LOS ANGELES. MR. O'MALLEY POINTED
ME OUT TO A GROUP OF BUSINESS MEN
AND THE OFFER WAS MADE BY ONE OF
THEM IN A SMALL DINING HOTEL ROOM
OFF OF UNION SQUARE IN SAN FRANCISCO.
PREVIOUS TO THIS (I HAD BEEN ON
SEVERAL) I WAS HIT IN THE HEAD AND
OPERATED ON IN NEW ORLEANS BY A
BAR BARO BY ONE LYONS ONE OF