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Note: Hand print names legibly; handwriting satisfactory for remainder.

Subject's name and aliases <b>UNSUB, Aka ALFRED; ALLEGED PLOT TO ASSASSINATE SENATOR ROBERT F. KENNEDY</b>			Address of subject <i>see above 544*</i> St. Petersburg, Fla. 894-1111 (Bus.)			Character of case  INFO CONCERNING
Complainant <b>JIM WALKER</b>			Complaint received Date <u>4/16/68</u> Time <u>9:23 P</u>			
Subject's Description	Race W	Sex <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female	Height 5'11	Hair blond	Build husky	Birth date and Birthplace
	Age 35-45		Weight 200-225	Eyes	Complexion	
	Scars, marks or other data					

Facts of complaint

Information furnished that while in the lounge of the Princess Martha Hotel, St. Petersburg this night an individual, identified only as ALFRED, "struck up" conversation with complainant and during the conversation related the following:

Alfred alleged that he had been approached by individuals he would not, or could not identify by name, who attempted to proposition Alfred to assassinate Senator Robert F. Kennedy. No pertinent details furnished re this matter and complainant advised that Alfred rambled during conversation and that while he was drinking, he did not consider Alfred to be drunk when making allegation re assassination plot.

Alfred alleged that he is retired from a branch of the military by reason of disability; however, complainant advised that he gave a conflicting account of his military service.

William E. Goodrich, bartender, Princess Martha Hotel, St. Petersburg, advised that Alfred has been in his bar three or four times during the past few weeks and he has evaluated Alfred as being a "nut". Advised that Alfred has been loud and very talkative at the bar, but has not caused any incident wherein he should be extricated from the premises. Advised that he has cashed a number of travelers checks for Alfred but does not know where he is residing and stated that he appears to be a transient. Further stated that Alfred is a "well dressed" person and did not give the appearance of being a "bum".

Supervisor Belanger advised and SA Granger designated to contact complainant for more details re matter. SA Granger contacted and info furnished re complaint.

Action Recommended  Al L. Smith, Clerk <i>00:8</i>	<div style="border: 2px solid black; padding: 5px;"> <p>62-949-1</p> <p>SEARCHED <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> INDEXED <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SERIALIZED <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FILED <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>APR 16 1968 FBI - TAMPA</p> <p><i>Granger</i></p> </div>
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TO DIRECTOR

FROM TAMPA

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THE BUREAU IS REQUESTED TO ADVISE THE OFFICE OF SENATOR KENNEDY CONCERNING THIS INFORMATION AND TAMPA WILL, THROUGH DEPOSIT RECORDS OF PRINCESS MARTHA HOTEL BAR, ATTEMPT TO FULLY IDENTIFY ALFRED AND LHM WILL BE SUBMITTED.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, TAMPA (62-NEW) (P)

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INFORMATION CONCERNING.

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BARTENDER, EDGEWATER LOUNGE, ST. PETERSBURG,

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*Connelly adv. 2/7*

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FBI WASH DC

**Tampa, Florida**  
**April 18, 1968**

Director  
 United States Secret Service  
 Department of the Treasury  
 Washington, D. C. 20220

**RE: ALTON OTTER LEWIS CRENWELGE**

Dear Sir:

The information furnished herewith concerns an individual who is believed to be covered by the agreement between the FBI and Secret Service concerning Presidential protection, and to fall within the category or categories checked.

1. ☒ Has attempted or threatened bodily harm to any government official or employee, including foreign government officials residing in or planning an imminent visit to the U. S., because of his official status.
2. ☐ Has attempted or threatened to redress a grievance against any public official by other than legal means.
3. ☐ Because of background is potentially dangerous; or has been identified as member or participant in communist movement; or has been under active investigation as member of other group or organization inimical to U. S.
4. ☐ U. S. citizens or residents who defect from the U. S. to countries in the Soviet or Chinese Communist blocs and return.
5. ☐ Subversives, ultrarightists, racists and fascists who meet one or more of the following criteria:
  - (a) ☐ Evidence of emotional instability (including unstable residence and employment record) or irrational or suicidal behavior;
  - (b) ☐ Expressions of strong or violent anti-U. S. sentiment;
  - (c) ☐ Prior acts (including arrests or convictions) or conduct or statements indicating a propensity for violence and antipathy toward good order and government.
6. ☐ Individuals involved in illegal bombing or illegal bomb-making.

Photograph ☐ has been furnished ☐ enclosed ☐ is not available  
☐ may be available through \_\_\_\_\_

Very truly yours,

2 - Bureau  
 1 - Special Agent in Charge  
 U. S. Secret Service, San  
 Antonio, Texas (Enc. 1)

John Edgar Hoover  
 Director

1 - Special Agent in Charge (Enclosure(s) 1  
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Enclosure(s)

(Upon removal of classified enclosures, if any, this transmittal form becomes UNCLASSIFIED.)  
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Tampa, Florida  
April 18, 1968

ALTON OTTER LEWIS CREWELGE

JAMES WALKER, on April 16, 1968, informed that he is a writer for the St. Petersburg Times, a daily newspaper published at St. Petersburg, Florida. He said that during the evening of April 16, 1968, he engaged in a conversation with an individual known to him as ALFRED. He did not know his last name. The conversation, according to Mr. WALKER, occurred in the lounge of the Princess Martha Hotel in St. Petersburg at about 8 P.M. ALFRED told WALKER that he had been approached at an unspecified time by the "head of the white Ku Klux Klan in Texas," who asked him, ALFRED, to assassinate Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY. The method, time and place were not discussed, but ALFRED, according to Mr. WALKER, rejected the proposal. ALFRED admitted to Mr. WALKER having been previously committed to a mental institution. Further, ALFRED said that he is now undergoing psychiatric treatment. He remarked to Mr. WALKER that he is retired on a disability pension from some branch of the military service.

Continuing, Mr. WALKER said that ALFRED remarked that President LYNDON B. JOHNSON has been responsible for the murder of numerous unidentified people and that he, ALFRED, had written a book revealing this information. ALFRED commented that President JOHNSON had attempted to have him "locked up" for disclosing this information. WALKER said that ALFRED did not disclose his current address, but did remark that he was from the same county in Texas that President JOHNSON is from. Mr. WALKER described ALFRED as a white male, between 35 and 45 years of age, 5'11", 200-220 pounds, husky, with a blonde crewcut. Mr. WALKER expressed the opinion that ALFRED was sober but irrational in his conversation.

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**ALTON OTTER LEWIS CRENWELGE**

On April 16, 1968, Mr. WILLIAM GOODRICH, bartender, Princess Martha Hotel Lounge, said that ALFRED had been in his bar about four times within the past three weeks and had cashed several \$20 Traveler's Checks. Mr. GOODRICH, who said that he did not hear ALFRED's remarks about Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY, said that ALFRED has been irrational in his conversations. He was of the opinion that ALFRED's last name was BAUNGARDNER, BURMEISTER or BALCOM.

On the evening of April 16, 1968, a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation in St. Petersburg, Florida informed Mr. ARNOLD PEPPERS, Secret Service, Tampa, of the above information, and Mr. PEPPERS said that, from the information furnished, the individual described as ALFRED was unknown to him.

On April 17, 1968, Mr. WILLIAM GOODRICH remarked that he had learned that the person he referred to on April 16, 1968 as ALFRED, when he left the Princess Martha Lounge on April 16, 1968, proceeded to the Edgewater Lounge in St. Petersburg, Florida.

On April 17, 1968, Mr. JOE SOROKOWSKY, bartender, Edgewater Lounge, St. Petersburg, Florida, said that he observed an individual in his bar late on the evening of April 16, 1968, and that after conferring with his friend, WILLIAM GOODRICH, concluded that it was the same individual who had visited the Princess Martha Hotel Lounge earlier in the evening.

Mr. SOROKOWSKY said that this individual cashed a \$10 American Express Traveler's Check on April 16, 1968 and that the signature appearing thereon was ALTON O. L. CRENWELGE. No other information, according to SOROKOWSKY, appeared on the check concerning CRENWELGE, and there was no indication where the check may have been issued. He said that a number appearing on the upper right side of the check was AB 71-124-855. He said that another number appearing on the bottom of the check was 8000-0005-12--07112-8553. Mr. SOROKOWSKY said that he did not request any identifying documents from CRENWELGE when the latter cashed the check. He said that CRENWELGE departed the Edgewater Lounge in an Independent Cab at about 11:30 P.M., April 16, 1968. He said that he possessed no further information concerning



ALTON OTTER LEWIS CRENWELGE

CRENWELGE, but concluded by saying that during the time he was in the Edgewater Lounge on April 16, 1968, the other customers there noticeably avoided him, CRENWELGE.

On April 17, 1968, Mr. ROBERT CONNELLY, Secret Service, Tampa, Florida, was made aware of the above information, and he said that he had obtained information indicating the possibility that the individual mentioned above is ALTON OTTER LEWIS CRENWELGE, a white male, who was born January 22, 1933 at Fredericksburg, Texas. He said that CRENWELGE has blonde hair, blue eyes, and is 5'11", weighing 220 pounds.

Further, Mr. CONNELLY remarked that CRENWELGE has been adjudged mentally incompetent by the Veterans Administration because of his, CRENWELGE's, schizophrenic personality.

Mr. CONNELLY commented that CRENWELGE has been of interest to the Secret Service since 1964 in connection with this individual's having allegedly made threats to the President of the United States. He said that the Secret Service last spoke to CRENWELGE on March 18, 1968, when the latter was living at the Neuchas Hotel, 513 North St. Mary Street, San Antonio, Texas.

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AIRMAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI  
FROM: SAC, TAMPA (62-949) (C)

ALTON OTTER LEWIS CRENWELGE  
ALLEGED PLOT TO ASSASSINATE  
SENATOR ROBERT F. KENNEDY -  
INFORMATION CONCERNING

ReTPtels to Bureau, 4/16 and 17, 1968.

Enclosed for the Bureau are the original and 3  
copies of an LHM concerning the subject, and also enclosed  
are two copies of FD 376.

For the San Antonio Division, there are enclosed  
two copies of the LHM and one copy of FD 376.

In view of the subject's prior residence in San  
Antonio, Tex., and his birth at Fredericksburg, Tex., San  
Antonio should disseminate one copy of this LHM locally to  
Secret Service.

Tampa is disseminating one copy of enclosed LHM  
to Secret Service, Tampa.

It should be noted that Secret Service, Tampa,  
has been furnished with all the information contained in the  
enclosed LHM. In view of the fact that the information  
has been made available to Secret Service, and in view of  
the subject's mental condition, Tampa is taking no further  
action in this matter.

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To: SAC, Tampa

From: Director, FBI

ALTON OTTER LEWIS CRENWELGE;  
ALLEGED PLOT TO ASSASSINATE  
SENATOR ROBERT F. KENNEDY.

Reurtel 4/17/68.

If not already handled, insure that local authorities  
where subject resides are aware of facts in this matter.

In future cases of this nature insure that lead is  
set forth for WFO to supply information to Metropolitan Police  
Department.

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Subject

ALTON O. L. CRENWELGE

Aliases

Address

Birth Date

Birthplace

Race

Sex

☐ Male

☐ Female

☐ Exact Spelling

☐ All References

☐ Main Subversive Case Files Only

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ALTON OTTER LEWIS CRENWELGE  
ALLEGED PLOT TO ASSASSINATE  
SENATOR ROBERT F. KENNEDY -  
INFORMATION CONCERNING

ReTPairtel to the Bureau dated 4/17/68.

Captain ROBERT KRAHLING, U. S. Capitol Police,  
and Inspector THOMAS I. HERLIHY, Intelligence Division,  
Metropolitan Police Department, were advised of the facts  
in reairtel on 4/17/68.

No further investigation is being conducted by WFO.

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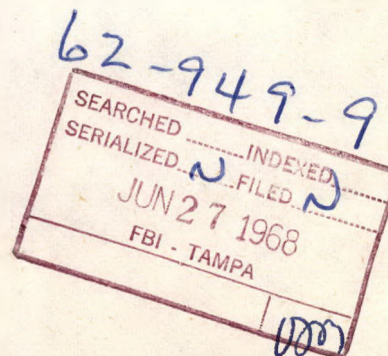
DATE: *6/25/68*

FROM : SA *Walter B. Gungor*

SUBJECT: *ALTON OTTER Lewis Crenshaw*  
*Alleged Plot to Assassinate Sen.*  
*RFK - info concerning*

*Since activities in St Petersburg have been traced  
of the info concerning the subject and Crenshaw  
has been submitted.*

*This case should be closed.*







UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Washington, D. C. 20535

**CONFIDENTIAL**

December 1, 1970

In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

**ALTON OTTER LEWIS CREMELGE**  
**INTERNAL SECURITY - R**

On Thanksgiving Day, November 26, 1970, a representative of the Federal Bureau of Investigation observed an unknown white male enter the Soviet Embassy, 1125 16th Street, N.W., Washington, D. C. (WDC) at 9:07 a.m. and depart at 9:14 a.m.

Other representatives of the Federal Bureau of Investigation observed him proceed to the Greyhound Bus Terminal, New York Avenue, and 12th Street, N.W., where he placed his airline flight bag inside a locker.

While at the terminal he was questioned, by use of a suitable pretext, by Officer H. L. Daniels, Wackentut Security Guard on duty at the terminal.

He identified himself as Alton Cremelge and stated he was born January 22, 1933 at Fredericksburg, Texas and he had arrived in Washington from Waco, Texas in order to visit the Australian Embassy to secure employment.

He was described, from observation, as follows:

Race:	White
Sex:	Male
Age:	Mid forties
Height:	Five feet eleven inches
Weight:	175-180
Hair:	Light brown, crew cut
Complexion:	Ruddy
Attire:	Gray top coat, dark blue or black slacks, tie, cordovan shoes, white socks.

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ALTON OTTER LEWIS CRENWELGE

On April 16, 1968, James Walker, a writer for the St. Petersburg Times, a daily newspaper in Florida, reported details of a conversation he had with an individual in a St. Petersburg bar who was later determined to be Alton Otter Lewis Crenwelge.

Crenwelge told Walker that he had earlier been approached by the "Head of the White KKK in Texas" who had asked him to assassinate the late Senator Robert F. Kennedy, however, he rejected the proposal. Crenwelge advised Walker that former President Johnson was responsible for the murder of numerous people and the President had him "locked up" because he revealed this in a book he had written. Crenwelge admitted having been committed to a mental institution and of undergoing psychiatric treatment at that time.

Walker characterized Crenwelge as sober but irrational.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI  
FROM: SAC, WFO (105-NEW  
~~62-9744~~) (RUC)

ALTON OTTLER LEWIS CRENWELGE  
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Enclosed for the Bureau are five copies of an LHM and two copies of form FD 376.

Enclosed for Tampa is one copy of LHM for info as that office had prior interest in subject.

Enclosed for El Paso are three copies of the LHM, two copies of form FD 376 and one copy each of two Tampa teletypes both dated 4/17/68.

WFO furnishing one copy of LHM to U.S. Secret Service, WFO this date. El Paso furnish one copy to U.S. Secret Service at El Paso.

LHM and FD 376 classified "Confidential" because Bureau's investigative interest in a foreign diplomatic establishment indicated in LHM.

WFO will furnish El Paso copies of photos of subject, taken when he departed the Embassy, when processed.

- 2- Bureau (Enc. 7)
  - 1- Tampa (Info) (Enc. 1) (RM)
  - 2- El Paso (Enc. 7) (RM) (AM)
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Extra copies of airtel and LHM furnished to El Paso in event subject is known to them or is determined to be residing in their territory.

Identity of SA making observations at the Soviet Embassy maintained in WFO file 100-16597 Sub B. Identities of SAs conducting surveillance maintained in WFO file ~~62-9744~~-1A.  
*105-NEW*

As it appears that Unsub intended to depart WDC on 11/26/70 or shortly thereafter, WFO contemplates no further investigation in this matter.

12/9/70

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REGISTERED AIR MAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, EL PASO (105-0) (RUC)

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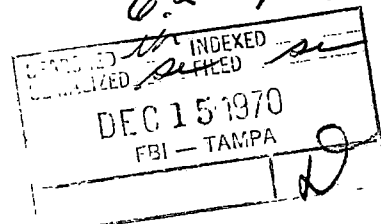
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Re WFO airtel to Director 12/1/70 with enclosures consisting of 5 copies of a letterhead memorandum and two copies of Form FD-376.

Inasmuch as Fredericksburg and Waco, Texas, are located in San Antonio Division, all the referenced material, together with two photographs received from WFO by routing slip, are being sent to San Antonio for appropriate attention.

- 2 - Bureau
- 2 - San Antonio (Encls. 11) (REG. AM)
- ① - Tampa (Info.) (REG. AM)
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- 1 - El Paso

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SAC, SAN ANTONIO (55-27) (RUC)

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In view of previous information in San Antonio file and unless advised to the contrary by the Bureau and Tampa, no action is being taken by San Antonio other than furnishing copies of Washington Field Office's LHM to Secret Service, Austin, Texas, and Secret Service, San Antonio, Texas.

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