

EDWIN A. WALKER
FILE

#3

Commission Exhibit No. 2001

COMMISSION EXHIBIT No. 2001

January 3, 1964

The Honorable Waggoner Carr
Attorney General, State of Texas
Austin, Texas

Sir:

Attached is our complete file on the General Edwin A. Walker Case. I think the reports are self-explanatory.

I assure you this case will remain active in our files and you will be informed of any further developments in the case.

Sincerely yours,

J. E. Curry
J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

cc
Att.

COMMISSION EXHIBIT No. 2001—Continued

January 3, 1964

Mr. J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

Subject: General Edwin A. Walker
Burglary by Firearms
Offense # F 48156

Sir:

On April 11, 1963, I was instructed by Captain O. A. Jones to make an investigation on the above offense.

This officer contacted General Walker at his home at 4011 Turtle Creek Blvd on April 12, 1963. In the course of this investigation I have personally interviewed General Walker at his home at least five times. I have had numerous telephone conversations with General Walker regarding this investigation. The last time I had telephone contact with General Walker was on the evening of December 20, 1963, at which time he had received a long distance call threatening his life.

At the present time this offense is still being investigated. I have received no instructions to close this case. This case will remain active until it can be shown who was responsible for this offense.

Respectfully,

E. L. Cunningham
E. L. Cunningham
Lt. of Police
Forgery Bureau

LT:ELC:ms

December 31, 1963

Mr. J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

Subject: General Edwin A. Walker
Burglary by Firearms
Offense # F 48156

Sir:

Pursuant to your instructions of December 24, 1963, a complete file of the investigation of Offense # F 48156 has been compiled. You will find 5 copies of this report attached.

It should be noted Exhibit H is included only in the #1 file as this is a tape of a conversation explained in attachment #9.

Respectfully,

O. A. Jones
O. A. Jones
Captain of Police
Forgery Bureau

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Chief of Police

Subject: General Edwin A. Walker
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Sir:

General Walker was seated at his desk at approximately 9:00 p.m. on April 10, 1963, when a bullet was fired through the window of the room and continued on through the wall to the left of General Walker.

The bullet was recovered and released to Detective G. B. Brown of the Crime Scene Search Section of the Dallas Police Department.

Kirk Coleman W/M/14, 4338 Newton heard the shot from his room and was listed as a witness. (See attachment 1)

Detectives D. E. McElroy and I. F. VanCleave made a follow-up investigation a few minutes after the original report was received. They also interviewed a business associate of General Walker by the name of Robert Surrey W/M/35, 3506 Lindenwood, LA6-7741. (See attachment 2)

Detectives C. H. Bellinger and F. M. Rose continued the investigation on April 11, 1963, and came to the conclusion that the unknown assailant fired the shot from the alley directly north of the rear of General Walker's house. Mr. Surrey was re-interviewed. (See attachment 3)

Detective W. C. Chambers contacted Kirk Coleman, W/M/14, 4338 Newton on April 11, 1963, and obtained information regarding the suspects being in one of several cars that were on the church parking lot that is adjacent to General Walker's house. No definite information was obtained. (See attachment 4)

Detective J. B. Toney contacted Mrs. Knecht, 5332 DeLoache, BU3-3389 on April 12, 1963. Mrs. Knecht who was employed by General Walker listed a "Bill Duff" as a possible suspect. She

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stated that Duff was a voluntary worker for General Walker. Mr. Duff had been engaged to a Miss Whitley who was employed at 4228 Oak Lawn Avenue. Miss Whitley found that Mr. Duff had been borrowing money from Mrs. Whitley's mother. After this was known Mrs. Whitley checked with the British Embassy in Houston regarding Mr. Duff being an emigrant from Great Britain. Mrs. Whitley could obtain no confirmation and the engagement was broken. (See attachment 5)

Lieutenant W. L. Cunningham and Detective J. B. Toney contacted Mr. Robert Surrey, 3506 Lindenwood, LA6-7741 on April 12, 1963. Mr. Surrey was re-interviewed. Mr. Surrey gave additional information regarding "Bill Duff". (See attachment #6)

Lieutenant W. L. Cunningham contacted Mrs. Whitley at 4228 Oak Lawn who gave additional information on William MacEwan Duff, W/M/32, 4919 San Jacinto, Apartment 214, TA4-6134. Mr. Duff is an emigrant from Scotland who came to America on November 4, 1957. He joined the Air Force in December, 1957 and was discharged in December, 1960. He came to Dallas from Los Angeles, California in October, 1962 and married Frances Barnard, 5201 Willis, TA7-2583. The marriage was annulled after three weeks. Mr. Duff had not held a regular job since arriving in Dallas.

Mr. Duff was arrested, questioned, photographed and fingerprinted and then released pending further investigation. (See attachments 7, 8 and 8-A.)

In June, 1963, two private investigators, Mr. Bill Keester, HU5-2745, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma and Mr. Cliff Roberts, HU5-1587 contacted Lieutenant W. L. Cunningham saying they were employed by General Walker's attorneys, Looney, Watts and Looney of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. They were investigating a "Bill Duff". They had contacted Mr. Duff and brought up the subject of killing General Walker. Apparently both Mr. Duff and the investigators considered the others serious as the investigators contacted this Department and Mr. Duff reported their actions to Special Agent Hostie of the local F.B.I. Office. The investigators furnished a tape of part of their conversation with Mr. Duff. (See attachment 9 and separate exhibit H.)

William MacEwan Duff was given a polygraph examination by Detective R. D. Lewis on June 12, 1963 and the operator does not believe that Mr. Duff had any knowledge of the identity of assailant who fired at General Walker. (See attachment 10 and 11.)

SUPPLEMENTARY OFFENSE REPORT

CITY OF DALLAS

LAST NAME OF COMPLAINANT (FIRM NAME)—FIRST NAME	INITIAL	OFFENSE AS REPORTED AND DATE	THIS DATE	OFFENSE SERIAL NO.
Walker, Edward A.		Assault to Murder	4/11/63	F-48156

ADDITIONAL DETAILS, PROGRESS OF INVESTIGATION, ETC. 4/10/63

This officer contacted Kirk Coleman W/M/14 of 4338 Newton. He stated that he was in the back room and heard a noise. He thought it was a blowout. The boy who was with him, Ronald Andries W/M/19 also of 4338 Newton said it was a gun shot. Kirk stated that he then ran out back and climbed the back fence and saw a man getting into a 1949 or 1950 Ford, Lt. Green or Lt. blue and take off. This was on the parking lot of the Church next to General Walker's home. Also on further down the parking lot was another car, unknown make or model and a man was in it. He had the dome light on and Kirk could see him bend over the front seat as if he was putting something in the back floorboard. The only description Kirk could give on this car was the fact that it was black with a white stripe. The other boy, Ronald, did not climb the fence so he did not see this. The only description the boy could give on the person who got into the Ford was that he was middle size and had long black hair. There were several other cars on the parking lot because some function was in progress at the Church. The Church has lights for the parking lot but Kirk stated that the lights were not on. -- The person that was in the Ford took off in a hurry but the person in the other car did not seem to be in a hurry.

This boy made me promise him that this would not get out in the newspapers. His name is already in the newspaper and he is scared to death that the assassin will attempt to do away with him. He also stated that the part in the newspaper article about him saying that several people were in the Ford was wrong. This officer had a squad to come out to assure the boy and his family that they would check the house for them. We observed a plain car with an uniform officer as he kept circling the parking lot and General Walker's home with his lights out. This made Kirk feel a little better. This offense remains pending.

IF OFFENSE UNFOUNDED, GIVE REASON

LIST ADDITIONAL LOSS AND RECOVERED PROPERTY BELOW (Make Entry in Column (4) for Additional Loss Only)

(1) CITY	(2) UNIT	(3) DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY (USE STANDARD TERMS)	SERIAL NO.	(4) ESTIMATED VALUE	(5) DATE—RECOVERED	(6) VALUE
RECOVERED BY	RECOVERED AT	TOTAL VALUE				
INVESTIGATING OFFICERS	I. D. NO.	STOLEN	LOST	RECOVERED		
W.E. Chambers	1087	F				
PERSONS ARRESTED—NAME, ADDRESS		Arrested At		ARRESTING OFFICERS I. D. NO. DIV. CHARGE		
I RECOMMEND THIS OFFENSE BE DECLARED		DATE		INVESTIGATING OFFICERS		
Unfounded <input type="checkbox"/> Pending <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cleared by Arrest <input type="checkbox"/>		4/11/63		W.E. C. 1087		
REPORTING OFFICERS (I. D. NO.)		DATE		COMMANDING OFFICER		
D.P. Tucker 1189 B.G. Norvell 1826		Approved:				
RECORDS BUREAU						

SUPPLEMENTARY OFFENSE REPORT

CITY OF DALLAS

LAST NAME OF COMPLAINANT (FIRM NAME)—FIRST NAME	INITIAL	OFFENSE AS REPORTED AND DATE	THIS DATE	OFFENSE SERIAL NO.
WALKER, Edward A.		Assault to Murder	4-12-63	F 48156

ADDITIONAL DETAILS, PROGRESS OF INVESTIGATION, ETC.

4-10-63

Investigating Officers interviewed Mrs Knecht, home address 5332 De Loache, EM 3 3389, this date. Mrs Knecht stated that the SUBJECT Will Duff first came to the General's home, he was driving a tan and brown Ford and had all his belongings in this car. After about a month people began to offer Duff jobs and he refused them and continued to stay at the General's house. Mrs Knecht gave Investigating Officers information that Duff had become engaged to Miss Whitley, employed at 4228 Oak Lawn Avenue. Mrs Knecht stated that Miss Whitley stated to her that their engagement had been broken when she found out that Duff had been borrowing money from her mother. Mrs Knecht further stated that Miss Whitley had contacted the British Embassy in Houston and they had no knowledge of any such person on their records. Duff gave his full name to Miss Whitley as William Mac Guin or Guine Mc Duff. Mrs Knecht stated that Dr. Ruth Jackson, who lives next door to The General has a dog that barks at everybody and everything. The night that this offense occurred Dr. Jackson's dog did not bark at Suspects. Investigating Officers received further information from Mrs Knecht that Dr. Jackson's dog was very sick yesterday and is also sick today. Reason for this illness is unknown at this time.

Investigating Officers will interview Dr. Jackson and Miss Whitley 4-13-63.

IF OFFENSE UNFOUNDED, GIVE REASON

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INVESTIGATING OFFICERS	I. D. NO.	STOLEN	LOST	RECOVERED		
J. B. Toney	778	F				
PERSONS ARRESTED—NAME, ADDRESS		Arrested At		ARRESTING OFFICERS I. D. NO. DIV. CHARGE		
I RECOMMEND THIS OFFENSE BE DECLARED		DATE		INVESTIGATING OFFICERS		
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REPORTING OFFICERS (I. D. NO.)		DATE		COMMANDING OFFICER		
D. P. Tucker 1189 B.G. Norvell 1826		Approved:				
RECORDS BUREAU						

SUPPLEMENTARY OFFENSE REPORT

CITY OF DALLAS

LAST NAME OF COMPLAINANT (FIRMNAME) - FIRST NAME INITIAL WALKER, EDWIN E.	OFFENSE AS REPORTED AND DATE Assault to murder 4-10-63	THIS DATE 4-18-63	OFFENSE SERIAL NO. F 48156
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ADDITIONAL DETAILS, PROGRESS OF INVESTIGATION, ETC.

Investigating officers arrested William MacEwan Duff, white male, 32, 4919 San Jacinto, Apt 214, TA# 6134, on April 18, 1963. This man worked for General Walker from December, 1962, until March 10, 1963. He lived in the house with General Walker. He was not paid a salary, just room and board. He was asked to leave because he was not dependable and told so many lies. Duff is an immigrant from Scotland, he came to America on November 4, 1957. Joined the Air Force in December, 1957, and was discharged December, 1960. Duff came to Dallas from Los Angeles, in October, 1962, and married Frances Barnard, who now lives at 5201 Willis, TA7 2583. He talked Frances into giving him \$800.00 with which he bought a car. Three weeks after marriage they got an annulment. Duff has not been employed since coming to Dallas, making his living by sponging and mooching money from friends. Duff was placed in jail and printed and mugged and released.

5-4-63

Mrs Maxine Byrd McFady, 409 No. West 11th St., Okla. City, Okla. P.O. Box 708, Came by office. She stated she would like to donate \$100 toward a reward for capture of person who shot at Gen. Walker. Stated she thought the motive was jealousy.

I talked to her for sometime, she had no real reason for thinking this - just a hunch. She stated that she is a friend of Gen. Walker in Okla. City and from Gen. Walker and that she knew that many women flocked around the Gen. and that he did not seem to notice them. Therefore she thinks one of them took a shot at him.

REPORTING OFFICERS (I. D. NO.) E L Cunningham	(I. D. NO.) 464	INVESTIGATING OFFICERS (I. D. NO.) 8	(I. D. NO.)
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POLICE DEPARTMENT
CITY OF DALLAS
CPS-76-154

ARREST REPORT

INVESTIGATOR PRISONER

FIRST NAME William	MIDDLE NAME MacEwan	LAST NAME Duff	AGE 32	DATE OF BIRTH 11-4-30	TIME 11:4	ST. TRUNK POINT 4-18-63
WHITE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> COLORED <input type="checkbox"/> MALE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FEMALE <input type="checkbox"/>	ADDRESS WHERE ARREST MADE 4919 San Jacinto apt 214		BUSINESS WHERE ARREST MADE HAS DECEASED <input type="checkbox"/> LICENSE <input type="checkbox"/> LIC NO <input type="checkbox"/>			
COMPLAINANT (NAME-AGE-SEX-ADDRESS-PHONE NO.)			BUSINESS ADDRESS-PHONE NO.			
WITNESS			BUSINESS ADDRESS-PHONE NO.			
WITNESS			BUSINESS ADDRESS-PHONE NO.			
PROPERTY PLACED IN POUND (MAKE, MODEL, LICENSE NO. OF AUTO)			PROPERTY PLACED IN PROPERTY ROOM			

NAME OF OTHERS ARRESTED AT SAME TIME IN CONNECTION WITH THE SAME OR SIMILAR OFFENSE
NAME OF ANY OTHER INFORMATION CONCERNING OTHER SUSPECTS NOT APPREHENDED

OTHER DETAILS OF THE ARREST

This subject is an immigrant from Scotland. He has lived in Dallas since Oct. 1962. Has not worked since coming to this city. Has been running a so called "friend" obtaining money under false pretenses. Please pay.

CHECK ALL ITEMS WHICH APPLY CHINA <input type="checkbox"/> UNKIND <input type="checkbox"/> CURSED <input type="checkbox"/> REGISTERED <input type="checkbox"/> FOUGHT <input type="checkbox"/>	INJURED BEFORE ARREST <input type="checkbox"/>	INJURED DURING OR AFTER ARREST <input type="checkbox"/>	OFFICER INJURED <input type="checkbox"/>	SPECIAL REPORT <input type="checkbox"/>
ARRESTING OFFICER J. L. Tong	I. D. NO. 775	ARRESTING OFFICER K. L. Cunningham	I. D. NO. 464	
OTHER OFFICER	I. D. NO.	OTHER OFFICER	I. D. NO.	
INVESTIGATION ASSIGNED TO	CHARGE FILED	FILED BY	DATE	DATE-TIME TO GO, JAIL
RELEASED BY	DATE-TIME	M.C. BOND BY	DATE-TIME	COURT
DISTRIBUTION (REMOVE CAMBON-CHECK ORIGINAL FOR RECORDS BU - CHECK COPY FOR EACH BUREAU CONCERNED): BUREAU <input type="checkbox"/> OFFICE <input type="checkbox"/> POLICE <input type="checkbox"/> AUTO <input type="checkbox"/> BUREAU <input type="checkbox"/> FORGERY <input type="checkbox"/> JUVENILE <input type="checkbox"/> TRAFFIC <input type="checkbox"/>				

December 31, 1963

(1) LAST NAME OF COMPLAINANT (FIRM NAME—FIRST NAME INITIAL) Walker, Edwin E.	(2) OFFENSE AS REPORTED AND DATE Assault to Murder	(3) THIS DATE 6-6-63	(4) OFFENSE SERIAL NO. F-48156
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(5) ADDITIONAL DETAILS, PROGRESS OF INVESTIGATION, ETC.

Mr. Bill Keester, MU5-2745, Oklahoma City, Okla. and Mr. Cliff Roberts, MU5-1587, Okla. City, contacted this officer and stated that they were employed by General Watts of Okla. City, Looney, Watts and Looney Law Firm, as special investigators. Gen. Watts sent them to Dallas to investigate a Mr Bill Duff. Roberts came to Dallas the later part of May and rented an Apt. in the same building that Duff was living in. He made contact with Duff and they became rather close and did quite a bit of drinking together. After making casual conversation with Duff about Gen. Walker and Duff did not seem to be interested in him, Roberts made the statement that someone should kill Walker. Duff stated that he would kill him if the price was right. Roberts told Duff that he knew a party who would pay to have the job done. At this time Roberts called Keester who came to Dallas and met Duff. Keester told Duff that he had the money to pay for killing Walker. Duff, Roberts and Keester planned how the job was to be done. Roberts made a tape recording of the plans. (This officer has the tape). Killing was set up for the night of June 10, 1963. On this date, June 6, 1963, Bill Duff called FBI Agent Hostie and told him of the arrangement with the two men to kill Gen. Walker. This officer interviewed Duff again and ran him on Lie Detector. It is the opinion of investigating officer that Duff never had any intention of shooting Walker, however I think he would have taken any money offered in advance. Duff stated that he was just trying to get any information that these people may have as to who tried to kill Gen. Walker.

(6) IF OFFENSE UNFOUNDED, GIVE REASON

that he was just trying to get any information that these people may have as to who

(7) LIST ADDITIONAL LOSS AND RECOVERED PROPERTY BELOW (Make Entry in Column (4) for Additional Loss Only)

(8) CITY (9) UNIT (10) DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY (USE STANDARD TERMS) SERIAL NO. (11) ESTIMATED VALUE (12) DATE - RECOVERED - (13) VALUE

(1) OFF.	(2) DATE	(3) DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY (SEE INSTRUCTIONS) (ENTER DURING YEAR)	(4) ESTIMATED VALUE	(5) DATE	(6) NAME	(7) ADDRESS
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(16) PERSONS ARRESTED—NAME, ADDRESS	(18) ARRESTING OFFICERS I. D. NO.	(19) TIME	(20) CHARGE

(21) RECOMMEND THIS OFFENSE BE DECLARED

(23) Unfounded ☐ (24) Pending ☐ (25) Cleared by Arrest ☐

(26) REPORTING OFFICERS (I. D. NO.)

Lt. E.L. Cunningham

(27) DATE

464

APPROVED:

(28) INVESTIGATING OFFICERS

(29) COMMANDING OFFICER

RECORDS BUREAU

Mr. O. A. Jones
Captain of Police
Forgery BureauSubject: William McEwan Duff
Polygraph Examination

Sir:

A polygraph examination was given to William McEwan Duff upon the request of Lieutenant Cunningham to determine if he had any guilty knowledge about the shooting at General Edwin Walker. This test was conducted at 8:00 P.M. on June 12, 1963. Below is a list of pertinent questions asked.

1. Do you have a grudge with General Walker? Answer: No
2. Did you shoot at General Walker? Answer: No
3. Do you remember who you were with the night General Walker was shot at? Answer: No
4. Have you given information to anyone about the activity of General Walker or the layout of the house except the two men from Oklahoma? Answer: No
5. Have you owned or had in your possession a high powered rifle since you have been in Dallas? Answer: No
6. Do you know who shot at General Walker? Answer: No

Lieutenant Cunningham set this appointment up and was the investigating officer. This officer had left a set of questions for Lieutenant Potts to bring with Mr. Duff to be examined. Lieutenant Potts was not familiar with this case. Lieutenant Potts was advised there was a definite language barrier between Mr. Duff and the examiner because Mr. Duff was an immigrant.

Taking everything in consideration, it was the opinion of this examiner, that Mr. Duff was truthful on all the above questions except question number three. Due to a lapse of time between the offense and examination, this person seemed puzzled over this question which could have caused the indication of deception. Due to the fact this person answered the other questions with the truth, it is believed Mr. Duff was confused rather than lying.

Respectfully submitted,

R. D. Lewis
R. D. Lewis
Detective of Police
Identification Bureau

RDL/mel

Mr. M. W. Stevenson
Deputy Chief of Police Commanding
Criminal Investigation Division

Subject: Throat on Life of General Edwin A. Walker

Sir:

At 8:55 PM this date Mr. Carroll Collier, Aide to General Walker, called Sergeant Passons and told him that the General was receiving a telephone call threatening his life. Sergeant Passons called Mrs. Allen, Chief Operator and asked her to trace call going to LAL-4115. Mrs. Allen checked and stated that it was a long distance call and that she could go no further than that.

I checked with Mr. Collier who stated that he had checked on call and that it came from Nempound, Louisiana. He contacted Unit 2 at Lafayette, Louisiana, Phone No. 2327011. She told him that call was made on credit card and that she would give further information only to police.

Party calling told the General that his name was Carpenter then later said that was not his name. Party told Walker that he was going to kill him, and called him vile names.

Information was given to Mr. Carl Underhill of FBI Office. Mr. Underhill alerted his offices in Lafayette and New Orleans. He asked that we leave the Lafayette Police Department out of it at present time.

Captain Frazier of Radio Patrol was notified.

Respectfully,

E. L. Cunningham
Lieutenant of Police
Forgery Bureau

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(7) LIST ADDITIONAL LOSSES AND RECOVERED PROPERTY BELOW (Make Entry in Column (4) for Additional Loss Only)										
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(16) INVESTIGATING OFFICERS			(17) I. D. NO.	(18) BUREAU						
Lt. E.L. Cunningham			464	STOLEN						
				RECOVERED						
(19) PERSONS ARRESTED - NAME, ADDRESS				(20) DATE	(21) ARRESTING OFFICERS I. D. NO.	(22) BUREAU	(23) CHARGE			
I RECOMMEND THIS OFFENSE BE DECLARED				(24) DATE		(25) INVESTIGATING OFFICERS				
(26) UNFOUNDED <input type="checkbox"/> (27) PENDING <input type="checkbox"/> (28) CLEARED BY ARREST <input type="checkbox"/>										
(29) REPORTING OFFICERS		(30) I. D. NO.		(31) DATE		(32) COMMANDING OFFICER		(33) I. D. NO.		

RECORDS BUREAU

FD-302 (Rev. 9-7-6)

REPORT
of theFEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C.

December 30, 1963

To: Mr. Jesse E. Curry
Chief of Police
Dallas, Texas

December 9, 1963

Airmail

Mr. J. E. Curry
Chief of PoliceSubject: Threat on life of
General Edwin A. Walker

Sir:

On this day Mr. Bob Barrett of the Federal Bureau of Investigation's Office called and stated that their agent's investigation revealed that the person who called General Walker on December 20, 1963, was a Gerald Crawford Vincent - White/Hele of Natchez, Louisiana. His person and his brother were intimidated when this call was made.

The Federal District Attorney at New Orleans refused to take a complaint on this person.

Respectfully submitted,

S. L. Cunningham
S. L. Cunningham
Lieutenant, Forgery Bureau

ELC:mw

This examination has been made with the understanding that the evidence is connected with an official investigation of a criminal matter and that the Laboratory report will be used for official purposes only, related to the investigation or a subsequent criminal prosecution. Authorization cannot be granted for the use of the Laboratory report in connection with a civil proceeding.

UNKNOWN SUBJECT;
Re: SHOOTING INTO HOME OF
EDWIN A. WALKER, APRIL 10, 1963

YOUR NO.
FBI FILE NO.
LAB. NO.

62-109060
PC-78378 BX HB

John Edgar Hoover, Director

Examination requested by: FBI, Dallas

Reference: Letter 12/2/63

Examination requested: Firearms - Spectrographic

Specimens:

Q188 Bullet from Edwin A. Walker's residence

Results of examination

The remaining physical characteristics of the bullet, Q188, are the same as those of the bullet and bullet fragments recovered in connection with the assassination of President John F. Kennedy and the same as those of 6.5 millimeter Mannlicher-Carcano bullets manufactured by the Western Cartridge Company. The mutilation of Q188 prevents stating that it is of Western manufacture to the exclusion of all other sources.

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REFER TO FILE CC-2-24,030



Office Dallas
 ADDRESS: P. O. BOX 2089

TREASURY DEPARTMENT
 UNITED STATES SECRET SERVICE

FIELD FORCE

Dallas, Texas, 75221
 December 26, 1963

Mr. Jesse Curry,
 Chief of Police,
 Dallas, Texas.

Re: Attempted assassination of
 General Edwin A. Walker, Dallas, Texas.

Dear Chief Curry:

The following information was developed by this Service relative to the attempted assassination of Retired General Edwin A. Walker, in Dallas, Texas, on April 19, 1963.

On December 2, 1963, there was received from the Irving Police Department, Irving, Texas, some belongings of Mrs. Marina Oswald which had been brought to the Police Station by Mrs. Ruth Paine with whom Mrs. Marina Oswald had been living. When these articles were examined in the Secret Service Office there was found in a book a note written in very poor Russian which was in the handwriting of Lee Harvey Oswald and which apparently was instructions to his wife that she should do in the event that he should be alive and taken as a prisoner.

On December 3, 1963 Mrs. Marina Oswald was questioned about this note by one of our special agents who speaks Russian and she stated that this note had nothing to do with the assassination of President Kennedy and that the note was written by her husband prior to his attempted assassination of former General Walker, whom she classified as the head of the Fascist Organization in the United States and who lived in Dallas, Texas, when they, the Oswalds, lived on Neely Street in Dallas; that the note, together with a Post Office key was left on a dresser of their bedroom and after reading the note she was afraid that her husband was planning on doing something dreadful due to his hate for the Fascist Organizations and their beliefs. She also stated that when her husband returned home late that night he was very nervous and finally told her that he shot Walker with his rifle and that it was bent for everybody that he got rid of him.

Mrs. Oswald further stated that when it was learned the next day from radios and newspapers that the rifle shot fired by an unknown person had missed Walker that she decided to keep the note as a threat against her husband so that he would not mistreat her again (it was determined that when the Oswalds lived on Neely Street that people living downstairs beneath the Oswalds had complained to the landlord about Oswald beating his wife) which he had promised not to do. She further commented that she did not report this matter to the Police as she loved her husband and particularly that she did not report it to the Police on account of their child. She stated,

Specimen Q188 was fired from a barrel rifled with four lands and grooves, right twist. Mannlicher-Carcano rifles of the type used in the assassination of President Kennedy (described as specimen K1 in Laboratory report PC-78243 BX) are among those which produce general rifling impressions such as were found on specimen Q188.

Because of the extreme mutilation and distortion of Q188 and because the individual microscopic marks left on bullets by the barrel of the K1 rifle could have changed subsequent to the time Q188 was fired, it was not possible to determine whether or not Q188 was fired from K1.

There are no specimens presently being maintained in the National Unidentified Ammunition File which could have been fired from the K1 rifle or which logically should be compared with Q188. Further, no bullets or rifles which logically should be compared with specimen Q188 have come to the attention of the FBI Laboratory since March, 1963.

The copper jacket and the lead core of the Q188 bullet were determined to be slightly different in compositions from the copper jackets and lead cores of the Q1 and Q2 bullets.

Although the differences in composition between the Q188 and the Q1 and Q2 bullets were small and do not indicate that these bullets represent two different types of bullets, it was not possible to determine if these bullets came from the same box. It is to be noted that there is no assurance in the fabrication of ammunition that all the ammunition ending up in one box possesses bullets from the same batch of metal, that is, with the same composition.

The bullet, Q188, is being temporarily retained in the Laboratory for comparison with any additional bullets which may be received.

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however, that had the shot hit General Walker, that she would have reported the matter to the Police. She was apprehensive about this matter being reported to the Police because she had a fear of being taken in custody by the Police because the information contained in this letter regarding the General Walker incident and the rifle would show that she had not told the Police all she knew when she was shown and questioned about the rifle that was used to assassinate President Kennedy.

On Dec. 10, 1963, our Special Agent had an opportunity to question Mrs. Marina Oswald more in detail regarding the General Walker incident and she stated that Lee Harvey Oswald told her that once before taking the shot at General Walker on April 10, 1963, he had gone to the Walker residence for the same purpose but he had changed his mind as the place had not looked just right for him and that 3 days prior to April 10, 1963, he took his rifle out of the house and buried it in a field near Walker's house. Mrs. Oswald further stated that upon her husband's return to the house after he had tried to kill General Walker and telling her about it that 3 days later she saw him taking his military green raincoat for the purpose of wrapping the rifle and bringing it home. However, she stated that when he returned home she did not see the rifle but several days later she saw the rifle on a shelf in the apartment where he always kept it. She also stated that the evening her husband shot at Walker he told her that the church which is located near the Walker house had some gathering; that there was plenty of noise and that after the shooting of Walker he buried the rifle in the same place.

Mrs. Marina Oswald further stated that Lee Harvey Oswald told her after reading in newspapers that some young man saw an automobile containing three men pulling away from the scene of the shooting, that the Americans always think they should have a car to get away from the scene of the crime but that he had rather use his feet to do so rather than a car, and he stated that he had taken a bus to go to the Walker residence and that he took a different bus to return home after the shooting.

Mrs. Marina Oswald was questioned as to how she was able to explain to her mother-in-law, Mrs. Marguerite Oswald, concerning the attempted assassination of General Walker by her husband, and she replied that she did to the best of her knowledge of the English language, and that no one else knew about the shooting at General Walker by her husband excepting her and her mother-in-law.

Very truly yours,

Forrest V. Sorrels
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Special Agent in Charge.

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INVESTIGATION OF THE OPERATIONAL
SECURITY INVOLVING THE TRANSFER OF
LEE HARVEY OSWALD
NOVEMBER 24, 1963

COMMISSION EXHIBIT No. 2002

December 19, 1963

Mr. J. E. Curry
Chief of Police

Sir:

Pursuant to your instructions of November 29, 1963, the unit assigned has completed an investigation of the Operational Security involving the transfer of Lee Harvey Oswald on November 24, 1963.

A summary of the investigation, along with an indexed complete investigative report, plus exhibits is forwarded under separate cover.

Respectfully submitted,

O. A. Jones
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Captain of Police

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