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Mr. Mark Lane Citizens' Committee of Inquiry Room 422, 156 Fifth Avenue New York, New York 10010

Dear Mr. Lane:

I am writing this letter pursuant to a telephone conversation yesterday between Mr. Willens of my staff and Miss Deirdre Griswald, Executive Director of the Citizens' Committee of Inquiry.

As you undoubtedly know, this Commission is in the final stages of its investigation and is anxious to make public its report as soon as possible. Prior to ending our investigation, however, the Commission desires to obtain further testimony from you regarding certain matters which have been the subject of correspondence between us since your appearance on March 4, 1964.

The Commission would like you to appear any time at your convenience prior to Wednesday, July 1, 1964. I understand from Miss Griswald that you are currently in Europe and not expected to return until sometime in the middle of July. The Commission regrets the necessity of asking you to interrupt your travels in Europe, but I am sure you share with the Commission its desire to complete this important assignment in the very near future. In view of our request, of course, we are prepared to compensate you for the additional expenses which you are required to incur.

When you appear before the Commission in Washington, D. C. we would like you to bring with you all your records, papers, notes and other documents pertaining to the assassination of President John F. Kennedy, the killing of Dallas Police Officer J. D. Tippit, and the killing of Lee Harvey Oswald, including, but not limited to, those records, papers, notes and other documents pertaining to (1) conversations between you and Miss Helen Markham and (2) an alleged meeting at the Carousel Club concerning which you testified before this Commission on March 4, 1964.

I would appreciate an early response to this letter.

Sincerely,

J. Lee Rankin General Counsel

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