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- 1. Attached is a scaled letter from Sir Charles Nory. Director General of the Australian Security Intelligence Organization (who provided a copy of the letter to the Chief of Station, Helbourne), and a suggested reply for your signature.
- Sir Charles' letter to you recommends against declassification of the Warren Commission Socument CD-971, which refers to our investigation of anonymous telephone calls to the Canberra Babassy before and after the assessination of President Lornedy.
- I consider the points made by Bir Charles in his letter to be valid and accordingly recommend against the declaration of CD-371 in the foreseable future. Ci Staff concurs with this recommendation.

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Sir Charles C. F. Spry Director General Australian Security Intelligence Organisation G. P. O. Box 5105BB Melbourne

Dear Charles.

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Thank you for your letter of 15 October recommending against the declarationation of Warren Commission document CD-071. I might mention that our inquiry to you in August (1968) was in anticipation of further pressure for the release of Warren Commission papers, a pressure which has not materialized. Accordingly, there is not, at the present time, any intention to release CD-971.

Should the question be raised at some future time, the points made by you in your letter provide every reason to keep the document out of the public domain.

With kindest regards,

Sincerely.

/s/ Richard HeIms

Richard Helms Director

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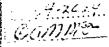
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In a sealed letter from CIA director Richard Helms to Sir Charles Spry, Director of the Australian Security Intelligence Organiazation (ASIO), Helms approved Sir Charles' Oct. 15, 1968 request against declassification of Warren Commission release CD-971 dated Nov. 26, 1968 which this document represents. The Australians assessed the caller as a "crank." Helms was uncertain of his credibility.]

MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. J. Lee Rankin

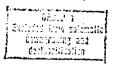
SUBJECT:

Anonymous Telephone Calls to United States Embassy in Canberra, Australia, Relative to Flanned Assassination of President Kennedy

- 1. I refer again to paragraph two of your memorandum, dated 12 February 1964, relative to disseminations to the Secret Service made by CIA.
- 2. On 24 November 1963, GIA received from the Department of the Navy a copy of a cable from the Naval Attache in Ganberra. Australia (IN 67327, Top Secret, later downgraded to Scoret), reporting a telephone conversation the previous day with an anonymous individual who had described himself as a Polish chauffeur for the Soviet Embassy in that city. This individual, while discussing several reafters of intelligence interest, touched on the possibility that the Soviet Government had financed the assassination of President Kennedy. Reference was made in this cable to the receipt of a similar anonymous telephone call on 15 October 1962.
- 3. Upon receipt of this cable from Navy CIA took the following action:
 - a. Cabled to Canberra asking full details of the telephone conversation of 23 November and the call made on 15 October 1962. It should be noted that CIA had not previously known of the 1962 telephone call.

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Attachment

CUT Teletype No. 85691, dated 29 November 1963, filed at 1117 hours, to the Whife House, Department of State and Federal Bureau of Investigation, with a copy to the Secret Service

- 1. Your attention is called to a ceries of anonymous telephons calls made to the office of the U.S. Naval Attache in Canberra, Australia, by a man claiming to have had knowledge about a Soviet plot to assassinate the late President Kennedy. Cur first record of this matter is a Naval Attache cable from Canberra sent on 24 November 1963.
- 2. It appears that the caller, who professes to be the Polish chausseur of a Soviet Embassy car in Canberra, first phoned in over a year ago, on 15 October 1962 repeat 1962. At that time he told a story about five Soviet submarines carrying 400 to 500 Soviet soldiers on their way to Cuba. One purpose of this troop movement, he said, was to support the Covernor of Missiesippi. He added that there was a plot to pay one hundred thousand dollars to kill President Kennedy. Behind the plot, he said, were the "Iron Curtain Countries." and "Communist men in England, Hong Kong and probably some other countries."
- 3. On 23 November 1963 repeat 1963, the day after the assausination of Prosident Kennedy and over a year after the first telephone call, a man believed to be the same person phoned the Embassy again and spoke to the assistant Naval Attache. The caller referred to his call a year back and stated he had said that the USSR had put up 100,000 dollars for the assassination of President Kennedy.
- 4. Giving what he claimed were further details about the assassination, the caller said that about two weeks before (which would have been in early November 1963) he was present when an Australian man, 35 to 40 years old, and tall, was dispatched by the Soviets to the United States carrying a case about 35 to 40 centimeters long, 50 centimeters high, and 8.5 centimeters wide. The name Vasyl Two was used in some connection with this man. He was put on a plane in Sydney and while the caller drove the two Soviet escents back to Canberra, their shortwave radio in the Carwas going constantly. A chortwave radio was going in the Embassy

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- in sinking a U.S. Navy nuclear submarine and on Soviet subversion in Indonesia. He would not identify himself, and when he described the car he drives (as a navy blue 1952 Buick, license plate New South Wales CCC 0122) he added they often change plates, have fifty sets in reserve, and can change them in five seconds.
- 6. The caller added some vague information about a woman employee of the American Embassy he things works for the Soviets. The conversation concluded with the caller promising to write a letter to the Naval Attache at the American Embassy.
- 7. The caller spoke good English and his account and voice did not change throughout the conversation, so it was assumed that he was not disguising his voice.
- S. Australian authorities working on this case consider the caller to be a crank. They state that Soviet offices in Australia do not use anything but Soviet chauffeurs; they have no record of their using a Polish chauffeur. They are continuing their investigation.

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