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Section 7 The Government Cover-ups

The Warren Commission, September 1964

The United States House of Representatives Select
Committee on Assassinations (HSCA), 1979

*“The thing I am most concerned about is having something issued so
we can convince the public that Oswald is the real assassin.”*

J. Edgar Hoover

The First Government Cover-up The Warren Commission, September 1964

“The public must be satisfied that Oswald was the assassin; that he did not have confederates who are still at large.”
Deputy Attorney General Nicholas Katzenbach, November 25, 1963

***Question:** What is the best way to cover-up a governmental assassination of a sitting president?*

***Answer:** Convene a governmental commission to misled the American people that the government had nothing to do with the murder and point to a single individual as the “lone assassin.” The second part of the cover-up includes classifying government documents in order to forestall any real investigation into who actually murdered Kennedy as long as you can. So far that cover has lasted over half a century of hiding these documents from the American people.
Finally, have willing members of the press lie for you to the American people.*



Dan Rather, the same individual who lied to the American people about the gunshot to President Kennedy then went on national TV to completely miss-represent the investigation cover-up known as the Warren Commission.

The Warren published report transposed the published Zapruder movie frames 312 and 313 to wrongly show the president’s head going forward due to the head shot rather than how it actually moved violently to the rear and to the left. This was not an error, only an attempt to cover-up the truth rather than report the truth. They did not call any of the doctors or nurses who worked on Kennedy in Dallas, and used false data to frame Lee Harvey Oswald for the murder.

Lee Rankin, working for **the Commission had evidence that Oswald had worked for or with Hoover’s FBI**. He remarked during a classified session of the Commission, “If that was true and it ever came out and could be established, you would have people think that there was a conspiracy to accomplish this assassination that nothing the Commission did or anybody could dissipate.” “Now it is something that will be very difficult to prove out. I am confident that the FBI will never admit it, and I presume their records will never show it.”

Disgraced former CIA director and Commission member Allen Dulles did not like this statement by Rankin put into the record. “I think this record should be destroyed.”

The unpublished portion of those Commission records was initially sealed for 75 years (to 2039) under a general National Archives policy that applied to all federal investigations by the executive branch of government, a period “intended to serve as protection for innocent persons who could otherwise be damaged because of their relationship with participants in the case.”

United States Senator and U.S. Senate Select Committee on Intelligence member Richard Schweiker told author Anthony Summers in 1978 that he “believed that the Warren Commission was set up at the time to feed pabulum to the American public for reasons not yet known, and that one of the biggest cover-ups in the history of our country occurred at that time.”

“The Warren Commission’s legacy of deceit had left a stain on American history...”
Gaeton Fonzi

The Second Government Cover-up
The United States House of Representatives Select
Committee on Assassinations (HSCA), 1979

“President John F. Kennedy was probably assassinated as the result of a conspiracy.”
The United States House of Representatives Select Committee on Assassinations

On the Kennedy assassination, the HSCA concluded in its 1979 report that:

1. Lee Harvey Oswald fired three shots at Kennedy. The second and third shots Oswald fired struck the President. The third shot he fired killed the President.

2. Scientific acoustical evidence establishes a high probability that at least two gunmen fired at the President. Other scientific evidence does not preclude the possibility of two gunmen firing at the President. Scientific evidence negates some specific conspiracy allegations.

3. The committee believes, on the basis of the evidence available to it, that Kennedy was probably assassinated as a result of a conspiracy. The committee was unable to identify the other gunmen or the extent of the conspiracy. The committee believes, on the basis of the evidence available to it, that the Soviet Government was not involved in the assassination of Kennedy. The committee believes, on the basis of the evidence available to it, that the Cuban Government was not involved in the assassination of Kennedy. The committee believes, on the basis of the evidence available to it, that anti-Castro Cuban groups, as groups, were not involved in the assassination of Kennedy but that the available evidence does not preclude the possibility that individual members may have been involved. The committee believes, on the basis of the evidence available to it, that the national syndicate of organized crime, as a group, was not involved in the assassination of Kennedy, but that the available evidence does not preclude the possibility that individual members may have been involved. The Secret Service, Federal Bureau of Investigation, and Central Intelligence Agency were not involved in the assassination of Kennedy.

4. Agencies and departments of the U.S. Government performed with varying degrees of competency in the fulfillment of their duties. President Kennedy did not receive adequate protection. A thorough and reliable investigation into the responsibility of Lee Harvey Oswald for the assassination was conducted. The investigation into the possibility of conspiracy in the assassination was inadequate. The conclusions of the investigations were arrived at in good faith, but presented in a fashion that was too definitive. The Committee further concluded that it was probable that: four shots were fired the fourth shot came from a second assassin located on the Grassy Knoll, but missed.

In a 2003 interview, G. Robert Blakey Chief Counsel and Staff Director issued a statement on the Central Intelligence Agency. “I no longer believe that we were able to conduct an appropriate investigation of the [Central Intelligence] Agency and its relationship to Oswald.... We now know that the Agency withheld from the Warren Commission the CIA/ Mafia plots to kill Castro. Had the commission known of the plots, it would have followed a different path in its investigation. The Agency unilaterally deprived the commission of a chance to obtain the full truth, which will now never be known. Significantly, the Warren Commission’s conclusion that the agencies of the government co-operated with it is, in retrospect, not the truth. We also now know that the Agency set up a process that could only have been designed to frustrate the ability of the committee in 1976–79 to obtain any information that might adversely affect the Agency. Many have told me that the culture of the Agency is one of prevarication and dissimulation and that you cannot trust it or its people, period. End of story. I am now in that camp.”

According to a 2015 Politico report, newly declassified documents show that CIA director, John A. McCone, hid evidence from the Warren commission. According to a once-secret report written in 2013 by the CIA's top in-house historian, David Robarge, the CIA admits McCone and other senior CIA officials withheld 'incendiary' information from the Warren Commission thereby perverting the course of justice.

Section 8

The Post Kennedy Assassination Murder Files

"You may never get the truth in your lifetime, and I mean that seriously."
Supreme Court Chief Justice Earl Warren – Warren Commission, March 1964

Post Kennedy Murders

[Warning: This work constitutes an historic review of a brutal murder! Readers are advised that certain portions of this work may be disturbing to some individuals. If an individual is easily disturbed by this report they are advised to limit their viewing experience.]

Question: If Oswald was a lone assassin, and this was a simple murder, and there was no conspiracy why have so many people been murdered to keep that false story in place? And why are the 'public' records of this murder still classified Top Secret if this was just a simple murder?

Answer: The murder of Kennedy was an inside US government coup d'état.

Question: Which is the only organization on Earth that could keep this murder from continually being exposed to the American people and held secret for over half a century?

Answer: The security agencies of the United States government!

During a twenty year period after the murder of President Kennedy some 100 individuals with knowledge of some area of the murder or its aftermath died under mysterious circumstances. At least 30 of them were murdered by gunfire. The odds of this being simply a random set of occurrences are astronomically high, said to be on the level of at least a trillion to one!

Jim Marrs presented a list of 103 people he believed died “convenient deaths” under suspicious circumstances. He noted that the deaths were grouped around investigations conducted by the Warren Commission, New Orleans D.A. Jim Garrison, the Senate Intelligence Committee, and the House Select Committee on Assassinations. Marrs pointed out that “these deaths certainly would have been convenient for anyone not wishing the truth of the JFK assassination to become public.”

In 2013, Richard Belzer published *Hit List: An In-Depth Investigation into the Mysterious Deaths of Witnesses to the JFK Assassination* that examines the deaths of 50 people linked to the assassination and claims they were murdered as part of a cover-up.



POST ASSASSINATION MURDERS

Officer J. D. Tippit – November 22, 1963 – Murdered at 1:06 p.m. by a man who did not match the description or broadcast description of Lee Harvey Oswald. Tippit knew his killer who calmly walked away after the murder. Professional hit. Could not have been Oswald, who was seen near his rooms at a bus stop at 1:04 p.m. Tippit, who was not in his assigned patrol area at the time, had been seen having breakfast several times before the murder with Oswald and Ruby. The cover-up had already begun which means it had to be in place before Kennedy was murdered.

Lee Harvey Oswald – November 24, 1963 – Murdered by Jack Ruby who was connected to the mob and U.S. Intelligence services. Police guards taken away from stairway entrance just before the murder of Oswald. Framed for the Kennedy assassination. Murder of the most important witness to Kennedy murder proves a cover-up. Oswald denied killing anyone and was never brought to trial thus ending any public release of his expected testimony. *“I didn’t shoot anybody. They’ve taken me in because of the fact that I lived in the Soviet Union. I’m just a patsy!”* Later, at an arranged press meeting, a reporter asked, “Did you kill the President?” *“No, I have not been charged with that. In fact, nobody has said that to me yet. The first thing I heard about it was when the newspaper reporters in the hall asked me that question.”* That is the only ‘testimony’ we have from Oswald. Oswald was never convicted of any murder; therefore he is legally innocent of the Kennedy murder.



Jack Zangetty – c. November 25/6, 1963 – Murdered days after stating on November 23, 1963 that a man named Ruby would kill Oswald the next day. Casino owner and member of the mob; he stated that *“three other men murdered Kennedy, not Oswald.”* He also predicted that Ruby would kill Oswald before the murder occurred.

Grant Stockdale – December 2, 1963 – Murdered. Pushed from his 13th floor office window of the DuPont building in Miami, Florida. United States Ambassador to Ireland from 1961 to 1962. Close long time friend of Kennedy who had flown to Washington D.C. on November 26, 1963 to meet with Robert and Edward Kennedy. After the meeting he informed his attorney that people

connected to the assassination were out to kill him. This means that the Kennedy family knew that Oswald was not the killer and possibly who was responsible for the murder.

Eddy Benavides – February 1964 – Murdered. Shot in the back of the head. Mistaken for his brother Domingo Benavides who witnessed the real killer of J. D. Tippit. Domingo told Dallas police the man he saw murder Tippit was not Lee Harvey Oswald. After the murder of Eddy, Domingo changed the truth and said that Oswald did the killing of Tippit to save his life.

Hank Killam – March 17, 1964 – Murdered. Throat cut through jugular vein and carotid artery. Body was then pushed through a department store window at 4:30 a.m. to stage the suicide. Ruled a suicide. His wife had worked as a dancer in Ruby's club and worked with John Carter who lived in the same rooming house as Oswald. Killam was extensively questioned after the Kennedy murder. Reportedly had pre-murder knowledge of the Kennedy murder. *"That thing in Dallas. I'm a dead man. They're going to get me – but I've run as far as I'm going to run."*

Bill Hunter – April 23, 1964 – Murdered. Reporter 'accidently' shot in the heart by police officer as he sat at his desk. Was one of three men who entered and investigated Ruby's apartment the night Ruby killed Oswald.

Gary Underhill – May 8, 1964 – Murdered. CIA agent/associate shot behind the left ear. Fled Washington, D.C. only hours after the Kennedy murder. Told friends, *"They killed the president. I know who they are. That's the problem. They know I know. Oswald is a patsy. They set him up. Kennedy's murder wasn't as cut and dried as it might appear."*

Jim Koethe – September 21, 1964 – Murdered. Reporter killed by karate chop to the neck. Apartment ransacked with notes on Kennedy murder removed and never located. Was one of three men who entered and investigated Ruby's apartment the night Ruby killed Oswald.

Gilberto Rodriguez Hernandez – September 1964 – Murdered. Had inside information on the team that killed Kennedy. Shot by U.S. Intelligence assassin John O'Hare.

Mary Pinchot Meyer – October 12, 1964 – Murdered. Shot in head and heart. Wife of high level CIA officer who had a long term affair with Kennedy. Had stated that the investigation of Kennedy's murder was a whitewash. She had knowledge of the CIA clean-up operation. After her murder her detailed diary went missing, taken by James Angleton. Her husband CIA officer Cord Meyer was a good friend of CIA Agent James Angleton. Six months after her murder CIA Agent and mafia liaison Joe Shimon told her daughter, "She was eliminated because she knew too much."

Manuel Rodriguez Quesada – October 1964 – Murdered by U.S. Intelligence CIA assassin John O'Hare. Had inside information on the team that killed Kennedy. Shot.

Tom Howard – March 27, 1965 – Murdered. Jack Ruby's attorney died of 'apparent' heart attack at age 48. Was one of three men who entered and investigated Ruby's apartment the evening of the day Ruby killed Oswald. Tom Howard interviewed Ruby and took notes on the conspiracy to kill Kennedy.

Maurice Gatlin – May 28, 1965 – Murdered. Gatlin was a key witness to Kennedy conspiracy which included Guy Banister in New Orleans. Was an associated of Banister (his 'bagman'), CIA

agent E. Howard Hunt and mobster Carlos Marcello. Murdered before District Attorney Jim Garrison could use him in trial of Banister.

Melba Christine Marcades – September 4, 1965 – Murdered. Shot in the back of the head and made to look like a traffic accident. Autopsy missing. Body found on property of the Chief of security for Texas oilman H. L. Hunt. Reported to police in Louisiana on November 20, 1963 that a plot was made to kill Kennedy in Dallas in two days. Had worked as a stripper for Ruby in a Dallas night club.

Dorothy Kilgallen – November 8, 1965 – Murdered. Kilgallen informed the public that she was skeptical of the conclusions of the Warren Commission's report into the assassination of President Kennedy and continued to write newspaper articles on the assassination. Informed friends that she was about to "*bust this case wide open.*" Told them that she was "*close to proving who really killed Kennedy.*" Only reporter to have a private interview with Jack Ruby in his cell in Dallas. Clearly staged suicide with pills and alcohol. Book notes and interview files on Kennedy murder missing.

Vincent Bugliosi described the death of journalist Dorothy Kilgallen – who said she was granted a private interview with Jack Ruby – as "perhaps the most prominent mysterious death" cited by assassination researchers.

Florence Pritchett – November 9, 1965 – Murdered by induced cerebral hemorrhage the day after the murder of her friend Dorothy Kilgallen. She was given a back-up copy of Kilgallen's notes on Kennedy murder only days earlier. Back-up notes of Kennedy murder were taken. Pritchett had a long-term ongoing affair with President Kennedy well before and after he became President.

Lee Bowers, Jr. – August 9, 1966 – Murdered. Ran off the road and killed. Bowers reported seeing several men behind the fence at the Grassy Knoll just before and during the assassination from a position above and behind the Grassy Knoll looking out the window of the two story railway control building. "*These two men were standing back from the street somewhat at the top of the incline and were very near two trees which were in the area. And one of them, from time to time as he walked back and forth, disappeared behind a wooden fence which is also slightly to the west of that. These two men to the best of my knowledge were standing there at the time of the shooting.*" As the motorcade passed "*there was a flash of light or smoke*" in the vicinity of where the two men were standing.

Marilyn Welle – August 30, 1966 – Murdered. Shot to death by her husband. Regular dancer at Ruby's night club. Witnessed Oswald's presence at the club on several occasions clearly indicating that Ruby and Oswald knew each other.

Lt. Comm. William Bruce Pitzer – October 29, 1966 – Murdered. Single gunshot to the head just before he was scheduled to retire. Had a primary role in documenting Kennedy autopsy and knew that it had been altered to show a single gunman conclusion. Kennedy wounds had been altered prior to autopsy. Massive rear exit wound proved fatal shot came from the front. Stated that he would reveal the truth when he retired from the Navy.

PRE-GARRISON INVESTIGATION MURDERS

Jack Ruby – January 3, 1967 – Murdered. Pulmonary embolism. Injected with cancer cells while in custody. Cover-up of Kennedy murder by Chief Justice Earl Warren who refused to bring Ruby,

one of the most critical witnesses to the conspiracy to murder Kennedy, to Washington, D.C. to testify on the Kennedy murder! *“My life is in danger here.” “I want to tell the truth, and I can’t tell it here.”* Conviction of Oswald murder dismissed in 1966 and given a new trial; murdered soon after, before he could testify before Congress or the Garrison investigation.

David Ferrie – February 22, 1967 – Murdered. Reportedly by ‘brain aneurysm’. Associate of Oswald and trained with him. Associate of FBI agent Guy Banister. CIA Director Richard Helms stated that Ferrie was a pilot who was employed by the CIA. He was a homosexual and a pedophile, who was fired from Eastern Airlines for this type of activity. Sought as key witnesses in Jim Garrison’s investigation on Kennedy assassination. Told Garrison aide Lou Ivan, *“You know what this news story does to me, don’t you? I’m a dead man. From here on, believe me, I’m a dead man.”* One week later he was dead. Jim Garrison said, *“I suppose it could just be a weird coincidence that the night Ferrie penned two suicide notes, he died of natural causes.”*

Eladio del Valle – February 22, 1967 – Murdered by CIA assassin John O’Hare. Gunshot to the heart. Murdered on the same day as **David Ferrie** died when he and Ferrie were being sought as key witnesses in Jim Garrison’s investigation on Kennedy assassination. Associated with **Gilberto Rodriguez Hernandez and Manuel Rodriguez Quesada**.

POST ASSASSINATION MURDERS CONTINUE

Robert F. Kennedy – June 6, 1968 – Murdered. Informed associates that if elected he would *“reopen the investigation into Jack’s murder!”* Murdered only days after making that statement when his election appeared to be possible. Murdered by unidentified assassin by single shot to the back of the head and two into his back fired from behind. Sirhan Bishara Sirhan, part of the murder team who fired several shots at Robert Kennedy from the front; framed for the murder. *“It’s all vague now. I’m sure you all have it in your records. I can’t deny it or confirm it. I just wish this whole thing had never taken place.”* It was CIA supervising agent David Morales who had *“bragged about rouge agents killing the Kennedy’s [Jack and Bobby].”*



Robert F. Kennedy

Rolando Masferrer – October 5, 1975 – Murdered. Dynamite bomb in car. Connected to CIA and the mafia. Had worked with ‘plumbers’ Hunt, Sturgis and Barker. Named as one of the men who participated in Kennedy murder – pre-assassination planning.

PRE-HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS MURDERS

George de Mohrenschildt – March 28, 1977 – Murdered. Killed by shotgun blast the day before he was scheduled to testify before the House Select Committee on Assassinations around three hours before being interviewed by a committee investigator. Friend of Oswald and the key contact man between Lee Harvey Oswald and the CIA. He had French intelligence connections dating back to World War 2. He was directly connected to Texas oil millionaires rumored to have paid for the murder of Kennedy. Good friend of George H. W. Bush. Oil business was used as cover for CIA activities.



George de Mohrenschildt/ Death scene image from Dade County Police Department

Chuck Nicoletti – March 29, 1977 – Murdered. Killed by three gunshots to the back of the head while waiting in his Oldsmobile in the parking lot of the Golden Horns Restaurant in suburban Northlake, Illinois. Mafia hit man proven to have been in Dallas, Texas on November 22, 1963. His ‘work book’ for that date reads “*Dallas-JFK.*” Named by several insiders as “the shooter”. Set to testify before the House Select Committee on Assassinations, but murdered before he could testify.

Louis Nichols – June 1977 – ‘Heart attack.’ Assistant Director of FBI, close to Kennedy assassination evidence. Set to testify before the House Select Committee on Assassinations, but died before he could testify. One of six FBI men killed before they could testify.

Alan Belmont – August 1977 – ‘Long illness.’ FBI Liaison to the Warren Commission with direct knowledge of the Kennedy assassination. Set to testify before the House Select Committee on Assassinations, but died before he could testify. One of six FBI men killed before they could testify.

James Cadigan – August 1977 – ‘Accidental fall in home.’ FBI document expert who had examined key evidence related to the Kennedy murder. Set to testify before the House Select

Committee on Assassinations, but died before he could testify. One of six FBI men killed before they could testify.

Donald Kaylor – October 1977 – ‘Heart attack.’ FBI fingerprint expert who closely examined evidence related to the Kennedy murder. Set to testify before the House Select Committee on Assassinations, but died before he could testify. One of six FBI men killed before they could testify.

J. M. English – October 1977 – ‘Heart attack.’ FBI head of the Forensics Laboratory. Expert who closely examined evidence related to the Kennedy murder. Set to testify before the House Select Committee on Assassinations, but died before he could testify. One of six FBI men killed before they could testify.

William Sullivan – November 9, 1977 – Murdered. Shot in ‘hunting accident.’ FBI Director of Domestic Intelligence. Predicted that if he testified at the House Select Committee on Assassinations he would be killed before he could appear and it would be made to look like an accident. Set to testify before the House Select Committee on Assassinations, but killed before he could testify. Shooter said he mistook Sullivan for a deer! One of six FBI men killed before they could testify.

John Paisley – September 24, 1978 – Murdered. Shot in the back of the head. Top-level CIA officer and double agent for the Soviet KGB who informed friends that he had *“knowledge of the true nature of the Kennedy assassination.”*

INTIMIDATION/THREATS

Domingo Benavides – February 1964 – Intimidation. Witnessed the real killer of J. D. Tippit who was not Oswald. Domingo told Dallas police the man he saw was not Lee Harvey Oswald. Brother Eddy Benavides mistaken for Domingo and was murdered. After the murder of Eddy, Domingo changed the truth to save his life to a lie and stated that Oswald did it.

Earlene Roberts – January 9, 1966 – Heart attack, died. Reported to police that she saw Oswald enter his rooms just after 1 p.m. She was Oswald’s landlady at rooming house in Dallas. Oswald was in his room when a police car came by and honked its horn. Oswald left the rooming house soon after. Proved that Oswald could not have been near Tippit when he was murdered. Roberts was subjected to intense police harassment to force her to change her testimony.

Al Bogard – February 15, 1966 – Suicide. Reported on the record that an Oswald impersonator took a test drive at his car dealership to place Oswald where he was not and would not back down from his statement. Harassed by FBI to change his story. Later accurately reported that *“people were out to get me.”*

[END PART 25]

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