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Kennedy, the shooting of Dallas Police Officer Tippit, or the murder of Lee Harvey Oswald, and that he had never known Oswald, Tippit, or Jack Ruby. He said at the time of the assassination he was living in Norfolk, Virginia, and did not return to Dallas until May 7, 1964. Therefore, he said, he had no confidential information to impart to anyone questioning him. He said, however, that he had requested his questioner to keep the fact he had been interviewed about his mother and his family confidential.

On July 24, 1964, Lieutenant H. R. Hancock, Burglary Detail, Dallas Police Department, made available records of his office which revealed that on June 30, 1964, at 6:05 a.m., James Alfred Markham had been arrested at his home, 328½ East Ninth Street, Dallas, Texas, on a charge of burglary by Officers Carl J. Raley and T. C. Smith. The arrest report stated that the officers had received information that Markham was a suspect in the burglary the night before of a concession stand at the Marsalis Zoo in Dallas; that they knocked at the door of his residence and his mother answered the door and invited the officers in. The officers told Mrs. Markham that her son was suspected of burglary. She told them her son came home late the night before and brought with him several cartons of cigarettes. She then awakened James, and after he put on his trousers he headed for the bathroom. Officer Raley started to follow him and Mrs. Markham requested the officer to wait outside. She also requested the officers not to handcuff James in her presence.

James Markham then went into the bathroom, located on the second floor of the residence at 328½ East Ninth Street, and closed the door. A few moments later the officers heard a noise and rushed into the bathroom. The window was raised, the screen loose, and James was gone. They observed him lying on the concrete driveway about 20 feet below.

The officers then took him to Parkland Memorial Hospital in Dallas where he was treated. While at the house, Mrs. Markham showed officers two large brown paper sacks containing several cartons of cigarettes. She said her son also had other stolen property and gave officers two walkie-talkie radios, an electric shaver, and two pillows, which she said were stolen.

He is presently in the Dallas County Jail awaiting trial. There is also a warrant outstanding for him for parole violation dated April 8, 1964.

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. J. Lee Rankin, General Counsel
President's Commission on the
Assassination of President Kennedy

SUBJECT: Inturist Hotels in Moscow

Among the hotels in Moscow used by Inturist for quartering foreign visitors are the Hotels Berlin, Bucharest, Grand, Kiev, Leningrad, Metropole, Moskva, National, Ostankino, Peking, Rossiya, Sovetskaya, Tsentral'naya, Turist, and Ukraina. The KGB is known to maintain an extensive surveillance of visitors to these hotels.

(Signed) Richard Helms

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