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24 November 1963

From: Commanding Officer, U. S. Naval Medical School
 To: Commanding Officer, National Naval Medical Center
 Subj: Naval Medical School Autopsy Report A63-272; transmittal of

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(2) Autopsy notes and holograph original of subject report

1. I have the sad duty to transmit to you, by hand, the report of the post mortem examination of John F. Kennedy, late President of the United States.
2. The examination was conducted in the post mortem spaces of the U. S. Naval Medical School from 2000 to 2400 on 22 November 1963.
3. The prosector was CDR James J. HUMES, MC, USN, assisted by CDR "J" Thornton BOSWELL, MC, USN, both of this command, and LCOL Pierre A. FINCK, MC, USA. LCOL FINCK is attached to the Armed Forces Institute of Pathology.
4. This command waives the originator's obligation to militarily classify these documents, and specifically authorizes such classification by appropriate higher authority if considered necessary or desirable.
5. All working papers have remained in the continuous personal possession of CDR J. J. HUMES and a certificate to this effect is attached. Certain early draft notes have been destroyed by CDR HUMES by burning, and a certificate to this effect is enclosed.
6. The first draft of this report was sighted in part by CAPT R. O. CANADA, MC, USN on 23 November. The entire report has been sighted by RADM C. B. GALLOWAY, MC, USN, CAPT J. H. STOVER, Jr., MC, USN, the authors, and Mrs. E. Closson, Typist, on 24 November 1963.
7. It is earnestly requested that if the enclosed report becomes part of the public record, or is made otherwise available by appropriate authority that facsimile copies be made available to the prosector and his assistants for their personal professional files. It is further requested that in this event, a similar facsimile copy be made available to the Commanding Officer, U. S. Naval Medical School for the official command files.

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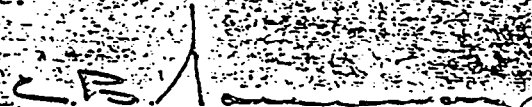
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