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Report of: SA JAMES P. HOSTY, JR. - Office: DALLAS
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 Field Office File No.: DL 105-1717 Bureau File No.:
 Title: MICHAEL RALPH PAINE

Character: INTERNAL SECURITY - RUSSIA

Synopsis:

Background data on MICHAEL RALPH PAINE reflects he was born 6/25/28 in New York, New York. Attended Swarthmore College and Harvard University. Served in U. S. Army in Korean War and has been employed at Bell Helicopter, Fort Worth, Texas, since 1959. MICHAEL PAINE married to RUTH HYDE PAINE and is the son of Mrs. ARTHUR YOUNG, of Paoli, Pennsylvania, and GEORGE LYMAN PAINE, JR., of Los Angeles, California. MICHAEL PAINE has stated that his parents were divorced when he was four years of age, and he has seen and spoken to his father on a limited basis since that time. PAINE volunteered that his father was always considered by him to be "somewhat radical" but does not know any organizations that his father belongs to at the present time. PAINE stated that he and his father basically differ on ways of solving the problems of the United States. PAINE stated that on one occasion he took LEE HARVEY OSWALD to a meeting of the American Civil Liberties Union in Dallas. PAINE stated in conversation with OSWALD, OSWALD discussed the fact that he was a Marxist and discussed his life in Russia.

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DETAILS:

I. BACKGROUND

A. Birth

Records of the Bell Helicopter Company, Fort Worth, Texas, as made available on December 3, 1963, by [REDACTED], to SA ROBLEY D. MADLAND reflect a birth certificate No. M225442 issued by the City of New York, New York, which certifies that MICHAEL RALPH PAINE, a male child, was born in the City of New York on June 25, 1928, according to birth record No. 21698 filed in the Manhattan Office of the New York Bureau of Records and Statistics on June 26, 1928. This certificate was issued on August 20, 1959.

B. Citizenship

MICHAEL RALPH PAINE is a citizen of the United States according to the birth record set forth above.

C. Education

Records of Bell Helicopter Company, Fort Worth, Texas, reflect MICHAEL RALPH PAINE attended Swarthmore College, Swarthmore, Pennsylvania, from 1950-51. He attended Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachusetts, from 1947 to 1949.

D. Marital Status

On November 22, 1963, MICHAEL RALPH PAINE advised SA RICHARD E. HARRISON he is married to RUTH HYDE PAINE.

E. Military Service

Records of Bell Helicopter Company, Fort Worth, Texas, reflect MICHAEL RALPH PAINE served in the U. S. Army from July 15, 1952, until April 28, 1954. He served with the 40th Division in Korea during this period and attained the rank of Corporal, Serial No. US 51 169 740.

F. Identification Record

On October 31, 1963, [REDACTED] Dallas County Sheriff's Office, and [REDACTED], Irving, Texas, Police Department, advised they had no record for MICHAEL R. PAINE. Records of Bell Helicopter Company, Fort Worth, Texas, reflect that on July 27, 1959, [REDACTED], Swarthmore, Pennsylvania, advised he had no record for MICHAEL RALPH PAINE.

G. Employment

Records of the Bell Helicopter Company, Fort Worth, Texas, reflect that MICHAEL RALPH PAINE has been employed by that company as an engineer since July 27, 1959. He has Social Security Number 522-38-6476. These records further reflect that PAINE listed employment with Griswold Manufacturing Company, Route 30, Wayne (state not given) as a machinist from March, 1956, to June, 1956. He listed employment with Bartol Research Foundation at Swarthmore, Pennsylvania, from May, 1951, until May, 1952. From July, 1952, to April, 1954, he served in the U. S. Army. He also stated from 1952 to 1959 he was self employed at Malvern, Pennsylvania, working on helicopter designing. Records of Bell Helicopter Company reflect that [REDACTED] of the Bartol Research Foundation confirmed his employment at that organization from May, 1951, to May, 1952. [REDACTED] recommended MICHAEL PAINE. [REDACTED] of the Bartol Foundation, furnished favorable information on MICHAEL PAINE. [REDACTED] of the Bartol Foundation, also commented favorably on MICHAEL PAINE.

H. Residence

Records of Bell Helicopter Company reflect that on July 27, 1959, MICHAEL PAINE listed his residence as 6642 Baker Boulevard, Fort Worth, Texas, and previous address Route 1, Malvern, Pennsylvania. On November 22, 1963, MICHAEL PAINE advised that he was separated from his wife and residing at 2377 Dalworth Street, Grand Prairie, Texas. On December 10, 1963, MICHAEL PAINE advised that he has had a reconciliation with his wife and is currently residing at 2515 West 5th Street, Irving, Texas.

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II. FAMILY BACKGROUND

[REDACTED] Bell Helicopter Company, Fort Worth, Texas, advised that MICHAEL R. PAINE is the step-son of ARTHUR YOUNG, who was one of the original founders of the Bell Helicopter Company.

ARTHUR YOUNG married MICHAEL PAINE's mother in 1946. According to [REDACTED] MICHAEL PAINE's father is named LYMAN PAINE, who was last known residing in California and employed as an architect. MICHAEL PAINE's parents were divorced in Boston, Massachusetts, exact date unknown. PAINE's mother then married an individual named THOMAS, who later died before she married ARTHUR YOUNG.

According to [REDACTED] PAINE's mother's family was quite prominent, and either MICHAEL PAINE's maternal grandfather or maternal uncle was a former Governor of the Philippines.

[REDACTED] advised that MICHAEL PAINE holds a confidential clearance, and he has always been a satisfactory employee at all times.

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On December 10, 1963, MICHAEL RALPH PAINE, 2515 West 5th Street, Irving, Texas, was interviewed concerning his family background. PAINE advised that his mother is Mrs. ARTHUR YOUNG of Paloi, Pennsylvania. His father is GEORGE LYMAN PAINE, Jr. of Los Angeles, California. He has a younger brother named CAMERON PAINE who resides in Baltimore, Maryland.

PAINE advised that in 1941, his mother married GILES THOMAS who died a couple of years later and in 1946, married ARTHUR YOUNG, her present husband.

PAINE stated that his mother and father were divorced when he was four years of age, and he has not resided with his father since that time. PAINE stated that he had no particular filial devotion towards his father, and he did not believe that his father had any particular paternal love for him.

PAINE stated that his father is presently employed as an architect for the Bank of America in Los Angeles, California. PAINE volunteered that his father was always considered by him to be "somewhat radical". PAINE stated he does not know any organizations that his father belongs to at the present time.

PAINE stated that his father, GEORGE LYMAN PAINE, Jr., has always looked toward "the revolution", and that he, MICHAEL PAINE, has never shared his father's views in this connection. He stated that in his opinion, his father's views have apparently moderated over the years and that he is not sure that his father is still anticipating "the revolution" in the United States.

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MICHAEL PAINE stated that he and his father basically differ on ways of solving the problems of the United States, and that he himself feels that "the revolution" is not the answer. He pointed out that on other viewpoints, they differ; for example, MICHAEL PAINE does not admire FIDEL CASTRO whereas GEORGE LYMAN PAINE, Jr. is not as critical of CASTRO as he, MICHAEL PAINE.

MICHAEL PAINE did not feel that he had been influenced by his father to any great degree since he has only seen him or spoken to him on a very limited basis since he was four years old.

MICHAEL PAINE advised that his mother was a member of the FORBES family of Massachusetts, and he always considered himself more a member of the FORBES family than of the PAINE family.

III. CONNECTIONS WITH LEE HARVEY OSWALD AND
MARINA NIKOLAEVNA OSWALD

On November 22, 1963, MICHAEL PAINE, of 2377 Dalworth, Grand Prairie, Texas, was interviewed at the Dallas Police Department by SA RICHARD E. HARRISON regarding his association with LEE HARVEY OSWALD and advised as follows:

In approximately the spring of 1963, he and his wife, RUTH HYDE PAINE, from whom he is presently separated, met LEE OSWALD and his wife, MARINA, at a party of a mutual friend ██████████ of Dallas, Texas. At that time, his wife, RUTH PAINE, had indicated a desire to meet a Russian person since she was interested in improving her Russian speaking ability. LEE OSWALD and his wife had supper at his residence on a few occasions, and on one occasion he, MICHAEL PAINE, took OSWALD to a meeting of the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) in Dallas, Texas.

PAINE described OSWALD as a mixed up type of person who always took the opposite side of free enterprise in any political discussion.

PAINE advised that in approximately July, 1963, RUTH PAINE took MARINA OSWALD and her children to New Orleans, Louisiana, but in view of numerous quarrels between LEE OSWALD and MARINA OSWALD, MARINA returned to Dallas approximately six weeks previous to November 22, 1963, and moved into the residence of RUTH PAINE in Irving, Texas. PAINE stated that during this time he was separated from his wife but would visit his wife and children in Irving, Texas, on week ends, at which time LEE OSWALD would also be visiting his wife and children. PAINE stated that during these visits, LEE OSWALD was disrespectful to his wife and insulted her frequently. PAINE stated that at the time MARINA OSWALD moved into the residence of RUTH PAINE, they also brought numerous possessions of LEE OSWALD which were placed in the garage attached to the residence of RUTH PAINE. MICHAEL PAINE advised

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that he recalled two duffel bags and a blanket among these possessions.

MICHAEL PAINE stated he had never seen a rifle or any other weapon in the possession of LEE OSWALD; however, he did recall LEE OSWALD stating that he had been a member of a gun or rifle club when he resided in the Soviet Union.

On November 24, 1963, MICHAEL PAINE was interviewed at the home of his estranged wife, Mrs. RUTH PAINE, 2515 West 5th Street, Irving, Texas, by SAs BARDWELL D. ODUM and JOSEPH G. PEGGS, at which time he stated that one time he went into the garage at 2515 West 5th Street, Irving, to obtain some of his property, at which time he moved an object wrapped in a blanket which was the property of LEE OSWALD. He recalled it was about 40" long, and he thought it contained metal tent poles or something similar thereto. MICHAEL PAINE estimated the weight of the object inside of this blanket as approximately seven pounds.

PAINE stated that on one occasion he took LEE OSWALD to a meeting of the ACLU which was held at Southern Methodist University (SMU), Dallas, Texas. This was in October, 1963, exact date not recalled. During this meeting, there was some discussion of alleged anti-Semitism in the John Birch Societies. LEE OSWALD then spoke up and gave what appeared to be logical and appropriate instances of anti-Semitism by the John Birch Society.

On the way home from the meeting, LEE OSWALD asked MICHAEL PAINE the identity of an elderly man who was involved in the discussion with OSWALD. PAINE did not know the name of the individual. Thereupon OSWALD stated the man must be a Communist.

PAINE stated that OSWALD told him that he attended a meeting held in Dallas, Texas, on a night in October, 1963, exact date not recalled. This meeting was held in the Dallas Civic Auditorium and was sponsored by what PAINE presumed to

be the John Birch Society. This was a meeting held the night before ADLAI STEVENSON, U. N. Ambassador, appeared in Dallas, Texas, and STEVENSON was later involved in an incident from persons opposed to him.

PAINÉ stated that in about April, 1963, LEE OSWALD went to New Orleans, Louisiana, to get a job since he had lost his job in Dallas at a photo engraving plant.

MICHAEL RALPH PAINÉ was interviewed on November 26, 1963, at 2515 West 5th Street, Irving, Texas, by SAs BARDWELL D. ODUM and JAMES P. HOSTY, JR., at which time he advised he first met LEE HARVEY OSWALD and his wife, MARINA OSWALD, on April 2, 1963, when he drove to their apartment at 214 Neeley Street in Dallas and picked them up to drive them back to his house in Irving, Texas, where he, PAINÉ, and his wife and the OSWALDs ate dinner together. PAINÉ stated he did not see LEE HARVEY OSWALD again until October 4, 1963, when OSWALD visited his wife and children at PAINÉ's residence in Irving, Texas. He saw OSWALD again on October 18, 1963, and saw him for the last times on November 8, 9, and 10, 1963.

PAINÉ stated he had several conversations with OSWALD during this time but was unable to converse with Mrs. OSWALD since he does not speak Russian and she does not speak English. PAINÉ stated he could not recall exactly on which dates OSWALD made certain statements, but he does recall the composite of different conversations with OSWALD. PAINÉ stated he asked OSWALD why he left the Soviet Union, but OSWALD could never give a satisfactory answer. OSWALD just stated he did not like his job, and he did not like to be told where to live. He stated that in Russia one could not own a rifle, one could only own a shotgun, and he objected to this restriction. OSWALD stated the only way a person in Russia could shoot a rifle was to join a rifle club, which was a paramilitary type club, and he did not like belonging to such a club.

OSWALD stated he became a Marxist in this country and that he learned Marxism from reading books. OSWALD

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stated he never met a Communist before he went to Russia but did not mention whether he met any Communists in America after returning from Russia.

OSWALD stated that no one where he worked wanted to discuss politics. PAINE asked OSWALD why he wanted to change the system in the United States, and OSWALD stated he did not believe in the exploitation of man by man. PAINE stated that OSWALD was always quoting from MARX and would never depart from this line.

PAINE stated he told OSWALD that he, PAINE, was against violence in any form, but OSWALD did not reply to this. PAINE also stated he was opposed to violent revolution, and again OSWALD did not answer.

PAINE stated that during the visits OSWALD had at his house they also discussed hunting, and OSWALD spent considerable time watching football on television as he was an avid football fan.

George Lyman Paine, Jr., born November 16, 1901, currently residing at 2331 Holgate Square, Los Angeles, California, in the past has been a national leader of the Johnson - Forest Group, an organization cited pursuant to Executive Order 10450. He is currently a member of the Los Angeles Local - Correspondence (LALC) (See Appendix). Frances Drake Paine, wife of George Lyman Paine, Jr., as of February, 1963, was chairman of the LALC.