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RE: LEE HARVEY OSWALD

The following information was furnished by a confidential source abroad who had occasion to interview [redacted] in Mexico City in connection with other matters on February 27, 1964:

[redacted] identified himself as having been a member of a student group which visited Cuba in 1963 and explained that he had come to Mexico City to seek contact with the Cuban Embassy in the hope of arranging another trip to Cuba or obtaining assistance in making arrangements to travel to Communist China as an observer or teacher. He also mentioned that he had made some inquiries with respect to the visit to Mexico City of LEE HARVEY OSWALD in the hope that he could develop an angle which would enable him to write a saleable magazine article.

[redacted] furnished the following background data concerning his interest in OSWALD's activities in Mexico:

Within the recent past, the attorney for Mrs. MARGUERITE OSWALD, OSWALD's mother, had visited San Francisco on a lecture tour and [redacted] had attended the lecture and had spoken to the attorney, MARK LANE, at some length after the lecture.

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LANE had stated to [redacted] that "the FBI is so convinced that OSWALD was responsible for the assassination of President KENNEDY that it has ignored other witnesses and failed to follow up various leads." He claimed to have seen an affidavit in the possession of the Dallas Police Department reflecting that the paraffin tests made of OSWALD had disclosed powder burns on his hands but not on his cheek, suggesting from this that he might have fired a hand gun on the day of the assassination but not a rifle.

LANE claimed that he had located four women newspaper reporters who were between the underpass and the point from which the assassination shots allegedly were fired, and those women had expressed the belief that the shots they heard had seemed to originate from the opposite direction from the Texas School Book Depository where OSWALD reportedly was employed. According to LANE, the four reporters had claimed that upon hearing the shots from the direction of the underpass, they turned in time to see a puff of smoke and figures running along the bridge over the underpass.

LANE also stated that he had seen (or had in his possession) a second affidavit to the effect that five spent bullets had been located following the assassination rather than the three bullets which had been publicized in the U. S. press. He referred to those alleged projectiles as follows:

1. A bullet which appeared on the stretcher which was utilized in removing President KENNEDY from the official car
2. One bullet which lodged in the thigh of Governor CONNELLY.
3. One bullet which struck Governor CONNELLY in the chest
4. A bullet which was found imbedded in the presidential automobile
5. A bullet which was found on the grass adjacent to where the automobile had been at the time of the shooting.

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[redacted] ducted LANE further to the effect that the latter had information that two days prior to the assassination, a "huddle" had taken place at JACK RUBY's "CAROUSEL CLUB" with the participants being RUBY, TIPPETT (the Dallas policeman allegedly killed by OSWALD) and an individual whose name [redacted] was unable to recall but described as the "man who had published a full-page advertisement in a Dallas newspaper shortly prior to the assassination, charging President KENNEDY with being Communist."

[redacted] expressed reluctance to discuss the above-described meeting, stating that the information had been obtained by LANE from a very confidential source, the identity of whom he was not aware, and he referred to the information concerning the meeting as being "real dynamite." He commented that if the meeting had taken place, it suggested a conspiracy of the "RADICAL LEFT" or "RADICAL RIGHT" and added that perhaps TIPPETT had meant to shoot OSWALD; that possibly OSWALD killed TIPPETT, contrary to the "conspiracy" and it became necessary for JACK RUBY to eliminate OSWALD.

[redacted] denied that his trip to Mexico had been financed in any way by attorney LANE but said that he had advised the attorney of his intention of traveling to Mexico, to which LANE replied that he would be "interested in anything he might pick up."

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