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Necember 18, 1963

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Mr. Hoover read your letter of December 13th, with enclosures, also signed by $\square$ \&

He asked me to point out that since we have no connection whatsoever with any fund for Mrs. Oswald, he will bo unable to be of service to you. Your two five-dollar bills are being returned with this letter.

Sincerely yours,

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Helen W'. G.indy Eecretary

Enclosures (2)

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## TRUE COPY

F. B.I. -

Sirs -


December 15, 1963


Fobecause I remember reading you had hidden Mrs. Lee Harvey Oswald, for her protection, I am writing to ask if you will see she gets this small check so that she may have a bit of Christmas for her babies - That whole trajedy was so terrible, but already Mrs. Tippitt seems well prouder for (illegible) our Presidents widow, but I feel so sorry for a stranger, who hardly speaks our language as the paper says, and will need to earn her way with 2 little children. I would like her to have a little something for Christmas for she seems an innocent victim.

Thanking you for your help

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Mr. Hoover read your letter of December 15th, with enclosure.

He asked ne to point out that since we did not furnish protection for Mrs. Oswald and have no connection whatsoever with any fund for her, he will be unable to be of service to you. In view of this, I am returning your check with this letter.

Sincerely yours,

Helen W. Gancly Secretary


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WASHINGTON-The father of Mrs. Lee Harvey Oswald is a colonel in the Soviet military in. telligence service, on duty in the Minsk reginn.

Oswald lived for some time in that area during his thrce years in Russia.
The disclosure regarding Mrs. Oswald's father is among the most startling in the unpublished 127-page FBI report titled "Investigation of the Assassination of Presidenl Kennedy."
Beyond reporling. what hat been gleaned from Mrs. Oswald regardine her father's occupation, the FBI does nol delve further into the matter. There is no indication in the FBI study of any ennnection hetween this information and the murder com. mitted hy Oswaik.
Another significant disclosure in the FBI report is the estimate of \$3, frion as the killer's ineome in his last 14 monllas. This figure was hased on his widow's ac. counting.

Mrs. Oswald will be personally questioned by the sprecial comnisestm headed by Chicf dustica Viarl Warren. This interrogation will be private.
No consideration has yet heen given In holding public hearinges.

The commission will hold some public sessions, but not until after the trial of Jack Ruby, slayer of Oswald. The commission already has decided on that. It has given no thought as yet to witnesses to be heard at the open sittings.
Similarly the FBI report. now in the havis of the commission. will eventually be published. Rut this may not be unlit the commissinn makes its own report.
The FBI study consists of six "broks": twn containiug a large. is clumalowical recial nit event leading ut 10 and following the assassination. and four mostly $h$ eqhibils.
7. Lec Rankin, general counse of the commission. is compiling maclist of questions on the basis pof the FBI report. These questions apply to both Oswald and Ruhy, and deal with a number of "unanswered gaps." Foremost among them is giswald's myslerious trip to Mexicn last fall 'September 26 10 Dctober. 3).
The Central Intelligence Ageney has reported he was accompanied by two domen and a man, the latter subsequently flying to Cuba. The CIA also ascertained that while in Mexico City, Oswald applied to the Cuhan consulgeneral for a transit visa to Mos. cow. He was toid he would first have to get a visa from the Soviet. but so far as is known he did not scek that.

- At the special commission's request. The FHI has resumed its probing of. both Oswald and Ruiby. These investigations are wrocceding simultaneously.
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Above-captioned individual. telephonically contacted night supervisor John E. McHale, Jr., of the Special Investigative Division at $: 40$ P.M., l-20-64, to state that she was highly agitated about the amount of money which had been donated to the wife of Lee Oswald.
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$b \supset C$ had no specific complaint to make, other than to complain over and over again that Mrs. Oswald should be shipped back to Russia and the money donated to her either put in a trust fund for the children or donated to a "legitimate charity."

Bureau files reveal no information identifiable with

ACTION: None. For information.

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FROM : T. J. McAndrews $\int_{0}^{!}!$ subject



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January 22, 1964

Mr. John W. O'Bierne
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Department of Justice, Room 4706
Washington, D. C.
Dear Mr. O'Bierne:
It certainly was a pleasure talking to you last Friday morning regarding our proposed plan for helping/Marina Oswald and her two children. Such a program not only would help. these three innocent victims, but as you agreed should be helpful in restoring the prestic. lost by the assassination of Oswald.

I feel that our National prestige has suffered a severe blow. We are encouraging the underdeveloped and newly formed nations to accept and apply democratic forms of government, and by one vicious and notorious act we tell the world we no longer respect the laws of our land. Instead, we tell them that we believe in individual action when it best suits our needs. Obviously, this is not the true condition as exists in our Country, but it certainly is the condition that we so effectively advertised to all the world. Our apparent lack of respect for law is extremely serious. The foundation on which democracy is built is the respect of citizens for the laws of the land.

I believe that by our accepting Marina Oswald and her two children as respectible individuals and helping them to become good and useful American citizens we would be doing much to enhance our prestige throughout the world.

Attached is a copy of my letter to Mrs. Kennedy's Secretary, Miss Pamela Turnure, 浸 which explains the problem with which I am faced. In order to promote this program it is essential that I have a statement from some national figure or from some government agency merely stating that Mrs. Oswald and her two children are deserving of help. Could you find some way to give me the letter that I need without doing anything contrary to your Agency's policy? If not, could you obtain for me a letter from some other agency that would serve my purpose? I hate to have to make this request of you but I am sure you can appreciate my problem. I certainly do not want this program to die $\bar{i} \mathrm{is}^{\text {it must not! }}$
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None of uspelieves in guilt by association. If we fail to receive a statement, knowing that she is deserving of our assistance, isn't our silence condemning her because of her association? Surely this is not the way we Americans think and act!

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-hoto copy of an editorial from the Wall Street Journal of !ch I consider to le a masterpiece. Thank youragain and I to assist me.

January 22, 1964

Mise Pamela Turnure<br>Executive Office Building<br>Room 12<br>Washington, D.C.

Dear Mige Turnure:
I want to thank you for the tine you gave me last Thuraday and for your interest in our proposed program for helping Marinn Oswald and her two young daughter. . The following day while enroute to Honolulu I again stopped in Dellas and had a leagthy discuseion. with her Attorney, and her Businese Manager, and I now am convinced even more that the is an innocent victim of the magedies and is deserving of help.

On rotuming to Honolulu I reported to my Rotary Club friends detalla of my various viatis on the trip. They were much interested but feel that before Rotary can eponsor buch e project it is easential that some national figure or povemment agency state that the Oswald family is deserving of help. I have discusced this matter in detall with Mr. Grodon Shanklin of the F.B.I. In Mellas aind Mr.J. W. O'Bieme in Washingtont. Both apoke well of tise way Mre. Oswald has been conducting herself and in the manner she has cooperated with the F.B.I. Both fentienien pointocl cut that the funetion of the FiB.I. Ie to collect information and not to give opinions. In view of my desperate need -for help I ain writing to Mr. O"Biorne today osking him if ha could give me nome lettat that would not be contrary to the policies of the E.B.I. . ox else ask some other ageney to send me a letter that would be helpful to us.

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Moved by an medley of uncertain impulses, wo ant down one evenink last work and zent a amall sum to a minloter in Plainfield, N.J. At that moment wo felt gratoful for the iron privacy of the mailbox; we weren't sure what our friends and neighbors would think upon aeeing, in our own handwriting, an envelope destined for the minister's Mrs. Lee Oswald Fund.

Now we've had more time to sort out our own feelings, and learn that wo wero not alone. What emerges is a conviction that this minister's gesture, and the rosponse to it and others like it, is $n$ glimpse of Anerica's best side in netion.

Much nonsense has lately been exprecised by some alout the nation's dark side, the collective sins that supposoxily culminntod in Lee Oswnld's infamous nct. There are some, poriaps, who would vent their outrage in vengenuce ngninst even an innocent wife and children men do not easily overcome the primitivo force that drives them sernetimes to punith-at the lenst, to ahun-all thoso near an nutrngeons mininfactor.

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one among them, rose above the temptation to take their vengeance on Edwin Booth, distinguished brother of a despised nssassin. In our own time the nation rejected the ugly and vindictive proposals to exact a Carthaginian victory out of World War II to the injury of innocent men. Instend, America went to the aid of its fallen enemies.

This, oven in a moment of great emotion, is still the way of the American people. No one holds this yiuth: waman or thn children she bore responsible for the evil in a murderous man. Born in an oppressed land, she married him in hope and came to our country with a dream. For her, the hopo had faded long before a fatal Fri. day afternoon shattered so many drenms forever. And when she ton walked to a graveynrd-alone, destituto, not even speaking the langunge of the country that was once her shining hope-kood men could not but share a little of their grief with a mother and children denied even the solnce of pride.

We don't know how much nil this will he understond by those who rush no quickly to denounce America. But it mottrars to us that so many people show a doeper feeling for the nation's heart.

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Honolulu, Hawaii 96021


Your letter of January 22, 1964, to Special Agent John W. O'Eelrne regarding your proposed plan to help Mrs. Lee Harvey Oswald and her two children was referred to Mr. Hoover's office as he was leaving the city.

Mr. Hoover asked me to inforin you that the FBI as an Investigative agency of the United States Government is unable to furnish any endorsement or to make any comment regarding the project you have in mind.

I am sure you will understand Mr. Hoover's position in this regard.

Sincerely yours,

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NOTE: See M. A. Tones to DeLoach memo dated 198-64 and captioned Honolulu, Hawaii 96821."

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On January 17, 1964, the captioned individual visited Bureau Headquarters and spoke to SA John W. O'Beirne of the Crime Research Section,

646 indicated that he is a member of the Rotary Club in Honolulu and has approached the headquarters of Rotary concerning its view as to whether or not it would support a fund drive for the benefit of Mrs. Lee Harvey Oswald. He said that immediately after President Kennedy's assassination, he felt most sympathetic to
Mrs. Oswald because of the actions of her husband and noted that she was not in any way sympathetic and, as a matter of fact, felt remorse over the death of the President at the hands of her husband. He advised he was moved to send a check for $\$ 1,000$ to her through can attorney in Philadelphia who he learned was coordinating contributions for Mrs. Oswald $n$ It was observation that some of the prestige lost by the United States through
Oswald's murder could be recouped if a fund drive for Mrs. Oswald was publicized widely. thereby demonstrating the goodness of the American people in the face of a great personal loss which they suffered through the President's assassination.

Mrs $\quad b 7^{c}$ wanted to know what the FBI's feelings were regarding Mrs. Oswald and he felt a need. for some kind of a statement from some public figure in order to enlist the support of the Rotary and his friends in f developing a fund for Mrs. Oswald. FBI's role to endorse any person or timing and, in addition, the entire matter of the ' President's assassination was presently being considered by the commission appointed by the President.

O'Beirne is now in receipt of a letter dated January 22, 1964, recalling his visit to Bureau Headquarters and asking that O'Beirne furnish him with a statement from some National figure or some Government agency merely stating that Mrs. Oswald and her children are deserving of help. Enclosed with this letter is a copy of one he sent to Miss Pamela Turnure, Mrs. Kennedy's personal secretary, in which he advises her he has requested $\mathrm{O}^{\prime}$ Beirne to furnish him with some kind of a letter that would not be contray to the policies of the Bureau regarding Mrs. Oswald. He also furnished a copy of Enclose (ire 1 h
1 - Mr. DeLoach - Enclosure
1 - Mr. Rosen - Enclosure
1- Miss Gandy - Enclosure JWO'B:blh (6)


M. A. Jones to DeLoach Memo

Re: WILLIAM R. MORSE
an editorial from the December 6, 1963, issue of the 'Wall Street Journal" which expresses. sympathy for Mrs. Oswald.

Bufiles contain no information identifiable with Morse.
RECOMMENDATION:
That the attached in-absence letter declining to endorse this project be approved and forwarded to $A>C$


