

Date 12/6/631

Mr. M. W. STEVENSON, Deputy Chief, Criminal Investigative Division, Dallas Police Department, advised that a review of their records failed to reflect that they had ever had LEE HARVEY OSWALD as a suspect in any case in the Dallas Police Department and that OSWALD was unknown to them prior to November 22, 1963, at the time he was arrested in connection with the assassination of President JOHN F. KENNEDY.

*Dallas, Texas*

on 12/6/63 at Dallas, Texas File # DL 89-43

by Special Agent VINCENT E. DRAIN/mfr Date dictated 12/6/63

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JDW:mvs

On November 29, 1963 and December 2, 1963, files of Dallas banks listed hereinafter contained no record of business transactions with LEE HARVEY OSWALD, LEE H. OSWALD, L. H. OSWALD, A. J. HIDELL, ALEK J. HIDELL, ALEK JAMES HIDELL, O. H. LEE, MARINA OSWALD:

<u>Name of Bank</u>	<u>Bank Employee Furnishing Info</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Contacting Agent</u>
Republic National Bank	W. K. THURMAN Assistant Auditor	12-2-63	GASTON C. THOMPSON
Wynnewood State Bank	MAURICE A. THARP Vice President	12-2-63	"
Northwest National Bank of Dallas	ROY MITCHELL President	12-2-63 39 26	"
Grove State Bank	JOE LOWE Vice President	12-2-63	"
Buckner State Bank	EDWARD L. VINT President	12-2-63	"
Park Cities Bank and Trust Company	C. M. CHAPMAN President	11-29-63	ROBERT C. LISH
Preston State Bank	HARRY YEAGER Vice President and Cashier	11-29-63	"
Hillcrest State Bank of University Park	D. R. PORTER Executive Vice President	11-29-63	"
Mercantile National Bank at Dallas	CHARLES NOWLIN Vice President	11-29-63	J. DOYLE WILLIAMS
Industrial Bank and Trust Company	BILLY WALLACE Cashier	11-29-63	"

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National Bank of Commerce	LELAND E. STENTON Auditor	11-29-63	J. DOYLE WILLIAMS
First National Bank in Dallas	ROY B. LAMBERT Auditor	11-29-63	ALFRED C. ELLINGTON
Bank of Services and Trust	J. B. LINDQUIST Cashier	11-29-63	"
First Citizens Bank	JAMES WEST Cashier	11-29-63	"
Fair Park National Bank	PAUL JESTER, Jr. Cashier	11-29-63	"
Empire State Bank	GASTON WOOD Vice President	12-2-63	RAYMOND C. ECKENRODE
Texas Bank and Trust Company	BILL LYDAY Vice President	12-2-63	"
Lakewood State Bank	ALEX BURR Vice President and Cashier	12-2-63	"
American Bank and Trust Company	CARL COREY Head Teller	11-29-63	EMORY E. HORTON
Exchange Bank and Trust Company	BOBBY WILLIAMS Cashier	11-29-63	"
Greenville Avenue State Bank	JACK MAYS Vice President	11-29-63	"
Merchants State Bank	V. P. SCHUMACHER President	11-29-63	"
South Oak Cliff State Bank	CLIFFORD THYFAULT Vice President	11-29-63	"

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AJR:gmr/jj

Personnel at the Military Personnel Records Center, St. Louis, Missouri, advised IC LEONARD LEWIS on November 24, 1963, that they were unable to locate a Marine Corps record on file there for any person named HIDEEL.

DL 100-10461/man

- IV. TRACING OF WEAPONS CONNECTED WITH  
LEE HARVEY OSWALD
- A. ASSASSINATION WEAPON
  - B. WEAPON USED IN KILLING OF  
OFFICER J D TIPPIT
  - C. ALLEGED TARGET PRACTICE BY  
LEE HARVEY OSWALD ETC.

DL 100-10461/cv

**A. ASSASSINATION WEAPON**

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Date 11/26/63

Mr. FRED W. RUPP, RFD 2, Mink Road, Perkasie, Pa., advised that he has a subcontract with <sup>Crescent</sup> Crescent Firearms, Inc., 2 West 37th Street, New York City 18, N.Y., to clean various types of Italian made rifles.

He advised that periodically he picks up a load of these guns from Harborside Warehouse Terminal, Jersey City, N.J., and brings them to his shop where he cleans and test fires them.

He advised these guns are packed in sealed cardboard cartons containing ten rifles in each carton, which are individually packed in smaller cardboard cartons. Each carton of ten rifles has a carton number and a packing slip on the inside and outside of the carton which lists the serial number of each rifle contained therein.

He advised he keeps no record of the number of the carton or the serial numbers of the rifles when he picks them up from Harborside Warehouse Terminal. He advised, however, he feels sure that Harborside Warehouse Terminal must keep a record at least of the number of the carton when they release these cartons to him. He stated these cartons are brought to his shop at RFD 2, Mink Road, Perkasie, Pa. He then unpacks the cartons, cleans each gun, and then repacks them into the same carton, unless this particular carton is mutilated and torn, in which case he repacks them in a new carton. He advised that when he repacks them in a new carton, these cartons are numbered the same as the carton was numbered when he received it from Harborside. He further advised that in the event one of the guns does not properly function, he will replace it with another gun and the packing slip will reveal that the serial number of the gun replaced has been replaced with another gun and this serial number is listed on the packing slip.

He advised that one packing slip is then placed inside the carton and one is pasted on the outside of the carton. He advised that the remaining packing slips are sent by mail

On 11/25/63 at Perkasie, Pa. File # Philadelphia  
by SA NOAH R. BASS & SA JAMES J. FINLEY/mab/ELS Date dictated 11/25/63

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~~Crescent~~  
to ~~Crescent~~ Firearms, Inc., New York City.

He said his records in no way show the serial number of any individual gun handled by him. He stated the only record he has is the carton number record of the cartons he ships from his place to various customers which are designated to him by ~~Crescent~~ Firearms, Inc., in New York City.

He stated that his shipping book reflects that on February 12, 1963, on ~~Crescent~~ Firearms, Inc., order number 3178, he turned over carton number 3376 to North Penn Transfer Company, Lansdale, Pa., for shipment. He advised that his records do not reflect to whom this particular carton of guns was shipped because the bill of lading furnished to him by North Penn Transfer Company is sent to ~~Crescent~~ Firearms, Inc., New York City.

He stated that this bill of lading probably would not designate this carton of guns by number; however, the possibility existed that North Penn Transfer Company may add this carton number on the bill of lading after they had accepted shipment.

He further advised that he is a federally licensed gun dealer and produced a license which revealed the federal license number as being 23-3072, dated August 30, 1963, and signed by KENNETH O. HOOK, U. S. Treasury Department, Philadelphia District.

Mr. RUFF advised that the only record he could produce was his shipping book which would reflect that on February 12, 1963, on ~~Crescent~~ Firearms, Inc., order number 3178, he turned over carton number 3376 to North Penn Transfer Company for transportation to the customer.

Mr. RUFF further advised that the particular rifle in question is known internationally as a "38-E"; however, ~~Crescent~~ Firearms, Inc., designates this gun as "T-38"; therefore, his records would indicate that this particular rifle was a "T-38" rather than a "38-E."

Mr. RUFF advised that he would be the proper person to be subpoenaed to testify to the above facts at a court trial in this matter.



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Mr. ARTHUR N. ~~ANDERS~~, president and general manager, North Penn Transfer, Inc., Route 202 and 63, Lansdale, Pa., advised records of his company reflect an undated bill of lading, number 3178, indicates a shipment consisting of 10 cartons of guns or rifles where shipped from Crescent Firearms, Inc., Ottsville, Pa., (near Perkasio, Pa.) consigned to Klein's Sporting Goods, 5440 W. Madison Street, Chicago, Ill.

This shipment was routed via North Penn Transfer Company in care of Lifschultz Fast Freight, 1815 North Front Street, Philadelphia, Pa. The shipment was received from ~~Crescent~~ <sup>Crescent</sup> Firearms, Inc., Ottsville, by IRVIN MOORE, a driver for North Penn Transfer Company, on February 12, 1963; and subsequently on the same date the shipment was transferred at the Lansdale Terminal of North Penn Transfer Company to a truck operated by HENRY TYSON, North Penn Transfer Company, who delivered the shipment to Lifschultz Fast Freight, Philadelphia, on February 13, 1963.

Mr. ANDERS advised that his company maintained no record of the carton numbers in this shipment, nor did he have a record of the numbers of the individual guns or rifles in this shipment.

Mr. ANDERS would be the proper person to subpoena to testify to the above facts.

On 11/25/63 at Lansdale, Pa. 182 File # Philadelphia  
 by SA R. W. CHRISTENSEN / mab Date dictated 11/25/63

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Mr. JOHN GARIS, Terminal Manager, Lifschultz Fast Freight Company, 1815 North Front Street, Philadelphia, Pa., advised that a shipment of ten cases of firearms was received on February 13, 1963, from the North Penn Transfer Company, Lansdale, Pa., consigned to Klein's in Chicago. It was sent on Flag 4, Pro No. 725, and was to arrive in Chicago on February 15, 1963.

He advised his records do not show the numbers of the various cartons. This information would be on the bill of lading held by their Chicago Office, which is Lifschultz Fast Freight, 28 North Franklin Street, Chicago. That information can be determined in Chicago.

Mr. GARIS stated his records did not reflect any other information.

Mr. GARIS is the proper person to whom a subpoena should be directed to testify to the above facts in a court of law.

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On 11/25/63 at Philadelphia, Pa. File # Philadelphia

by SA BRUCE G. ERICKSON/mab:mjf Date dictated 11/25/63

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Mr. ~~MERRILL~~ BROWN, Lifschultz Fast Freight, 28 North LaSalle Street, Chicago, Illinois, furnished the following items from his records:

1) Consignee's Memo, Pro No. A 394857, of North Penn Transfer, Inc., Lansdale, Pennsylvania, dated February 12, 1963, reflecting shipment of "10 CR or Case Guns or Rifles" from Crescent Firearms, Inc., Pottsville, Pennsylvania, Shipper's No. 3178, consigned to "Kleins Sporting Gds," 4540 West Madison Street, Chicago, Illinois.

2) Lifschultz Fast Freight Delivery Receipt No. S-041342 dated February 15, 1963, reflecting receipt of above referenced shipment by Kleins Sporting Goods on February 21, 1963.

3) Lifschultz Fast Freight Chicago Run Sheet, Run No. 48969, reflecting delivery of above referenced shipment to Kleins by Lifschultz Driver JONES, Employee No. 293.

On 11/25/63 at Chicago, Illinois File # Chicago 62-6115

by SAs ROBERT T. PIPER and ROBERT C. CRATTY/MDV 34 Date dictated 11/26/63

Date November 26, 19631

WILLIAM J. WALDMAN, Vice President, Klein's Sporting Goods, Inc., 4540 West Madison Street, Chicago, Illinois, advised that the Italian carbine 6.5 with W4X scope, per his records, was shipped to Dallas, Texas on March 20, 1963 by parcel post not broken down with the bolt and scope intact. The scope would have been wrapped in corrugated paper and then brown wrapping paper or newspaper would be used in wrapping to prevent shifting within the carton. It would have been shipped in a cardboard carton approximately 5' long marked "Fragile Handle With Care No. 48" made by Rudd Container Corporation, Chicago. He furnished and initialed 6 samples of brown wrapping paper, 5 samples of paper gunned tapes, 1 sample of corrugated paper and 1 sample cardboard carton.

On 11/23/63 at Chicago, Illinois File # CG 62-6115  
by SAs H. SIDNEY NEEL, Jr.  
and CLAY M. BRADY/FMS Date dictated 11/26/63

Date November 26, 19631

WILLIAM J. WALDMAN, Vice President, Klein's Sporting Goods, Inc., 4540 West Madison Street, Chicago, Illinois, advised that a search of his records reflect that the Italian carbine in question, serial number C2766, was shipped from Crescent Firearms, Incorporated, 2 West 37th Street, New York 18, New York, their invoice number 3178 dated February 7, 1963 to Klein's. The shipment was handled by North Penn Transfer - Lifschultz, probably a New York concern. The date received by Klein's is not certain at this time; however, Klein's opened the carton on February 22, 1963. He advised that North Penn would have the starting waybill.

On 11/23/63 at Chicago, Illinois File # CG 62-6115  
by SA H. SIDNEY NEEL, Jr./rms 786 Date dictated 11/26/63

Date 11/26/63

**WILLIAM J. WALDMAN**, Vice President, Klein's Sporting Goods, Inc., 4540 West Madison Street, Chicago, Illinois, made available for review records of his firm regarding the purchase, sale, and inventory control of merchandise handled by that concern.

Microfilm consisting of photographs of various business documents were reviewed including a reel of microfilm identified as:

"Filmfill number 83  
269688-270596  
General Files"

Among other business documents contained on this microfilm was a photograph of one Klein's Sporting Goods "ORDER BLANK" bearing a stamped date of March 13, 1963, on transaction number 270502 showing the purchase of one Italian carbine, 6.5, W/4X scope, Klein's control number VC 836, serial number C 2766 which was shipped to the purchaser on March 20, 1963.

This "ORDER BLANK" identified the purchaser as one A. HIDEELL, P.O. Box 2915, Dallas, Texas.

This reel also contained a photograph of one envelope postmarked Dallas, Texas, dated March 12 (year indistinguishable). The envelope is addressed to "Klein's-Dept. 358, Washington Street, Chicago 6, Illinois". The upper left hand corner contains a return address of "A. Hidell, P.O. Box 2915, Dallas, Texas." Covering the lower left hand portion of the envelope is a small advertisement of Klein's Sporting Goods apparently clipped from a publication. This advertisement contains the following information inserted in the spaces provided thereon:

**Bulk Item Nos.: C20-J 750"**

**"Enclosed is: \$19.95 (portion indistinguishable)"**

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by SAs ROBERT J. DOLAN, JOHN W. TORDT, and JAMES L. MAHAN /jmn/dcc Date dictated 11/26/63

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"Name: A. Hidell"

"Address: P.O. Box 2915, Dallas, Texas"

Upon location of these records, described reel of microfilm was placed by Mr. WALDMAN in a sealed envelope in a safe in his control. He advised that same would be maintained in his control only as long as desired.

Mr. WALDMAN advised that he is the proper individual of Klein's Sporting Goods, Inc., to be subpoenaed in the event this reel of microfilm is necessary as evidence.

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WILLIAM J. WALDMAN, Vice-President, Klein's Sporting Goods, Inc., 4540 West Madison Street, Chicago, Illinois, made available from a safe in his control one reel of microfilm contained in a cardboard box bearing the following identifying information:

"Filmfill number 83  
269688-270596  
General Files"

This microfilm contains photographs of numerous business documents including one Klein's Sporting Goods "ORDER BLANK" bearing a stamped date of March 13, 1963, on transaction number 270502 showing the purchase of one Italian carbine, 6.5 with a four power scope, control number VC 836, and serial number C 2766 which was shipped to the purchaser on March 20, 1963.

The purchaser on the "ORDER BLANK" was identified as "A. HIDKLL, P.O. Box 2915, Dallas, Texas".

This reel also contains a photograph of one envelope postmarked Dallas, Texas, dated March 12, (year indistinguishable), bearing the address "Klein's- Dept. 358, Washington Street, Chicago 6, Illinois." A return address of "A. Hidell, P.O. Box 2915, Dallas, Texas," is shown in the upper left hand corner of the envelope.

Mr. WALDMAN was furnished a receipt for the above identified microfilm, which receipt was dated November 23, 1963, at Chicago, Illinois. The described cardboard container containing the microfilm reel was sealed in the presence of Mr. WALDMAN, dated, and initialed. Mr. WALDMAN also at this time affixed his initials thereon.

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by SA ROBERT J. DOLAN /jmn/dcc Date dictated 11/26/63



Date November 26, 1963

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MITCHELL SCIBOR, Office Manager, Klein's, 4540 West Madison, provided what he described as a copy of a record which he had made upon opening gun cases on February 22, 1963, and at the same time gave an explanation as to certain notations found on this record. In the upper lefthand corner on each page of this record is a notation "RR #1243" indicating "Receiving Report" number which details the method of travel and so forth of the guns. The date immediately below this number is the date of the opening of the gun cases. The bold face numbers found upon this record are company control numbers which are assigned as the guns are taken from the case. SCIBOR stated that the serial number for each gun is visually checked and noted on the record following the appropriate company control number. A tag is also made for each weapon showing both the serial number and the company control number.

SCIBOR advised that the notations in the upper righthand corner are for his own use in filing his copy of this record. He stated that the original of this report is directed to the company recording and booking department, where it is entered into a master booking system and the original of this record is then destroyed. The copy retained by SCIBOR is used by him as an aid in handling the merchandise.

The record furnished by SCIBOR contains company control numbers 770 through 869, and company control number 836 shows a weapon serial number C2766.

The record also contains a notation on page 1, which reads as follows:

"Crescent Firearms  
 Italian Carcano T 38  
 6.5 it. Cal Rifle"

On 11/23/63 at Chicago, Illinois 190 File # CG 62-6115

by SA GERALD H. KEDDINGTON:ljf Date dictated 11/26/63

Date 11/26/68

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WILLIAM WALDMAN, Klein's Sporting Goods, Inc.,  
4540 West Madison Street, Chicago, Illinois, furnished  
the following information:

The records of that company reflect that a rifle  
purchased by A. HICKEL, ~~Post~~ Office Box 2915, Dallas, Texas,  
was paid for with a money order received by the company on  
March 13, 1963.

The records of the company reflected that this  
money order in the amount of \$21.45 was deposited at the  
First National Bank of Chicago on March 15, 1963. The total  
amount of the deposit was \$13,827.98 which included two  
items of \$21.45, one of which was a Postal Money Order (PMO)  
and the other an American Express Company Money Order. The  
number of the company account at the First National Bank of  
Chicago is 50-91144.

On 11/23/68 Chicago, Illinois 191 File # CG 62-8115  
by SAs GALE T. JOHNSON, JAMES E. HANLON  
and PHILIP R. WANKERUS:kah Date dictated 11/26/68

Date 11/28/63

**ROBERT K. WILMOUTH, Vice-President, Operations Department, The First National Bank of Chicago, Clark and Monroe Streets, furnished the following information:**

The bank does not microfilm either Postal Money Orders or American Express Company Money Orders. Postal Money Orders are sent to the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago, which in turn sends them to a central processing center located in Kansas City, Missouri.

American Express Company Money Orders are returned directly to American Express Company in New York City.

A deposit made with the bank on March 15, 1963, by Klein's Sporting Goods, Inc., 4540 West Madison Street, Chicago, Illinois, in the amount of \$13,827.98, included two items in the amount of \$21.45, and was processed by the bank on March 16, 1963. One of the \$21.45 items was an American Express Company Money Order which was mailed to the Classification Division, Special Unit, American Express Company, 770 Broadway, New York City, on March 18, 1963. The \$21.45 item appeared on a tape between an item of \$15.03 and an item of \$14.36 and was included in a package total of \$1,536.11 which in turn was included in a group total of \$6,178.

The other item of \$21.45 was a Postal Money Order which was sent to the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago on March 16, 1963, which was a Saturday and, therefore, would have been received at the Federal Reserve Bank on March 18, 1963.

WILMOUTH is of the opinion that the Federal Reserve Bank will be able to identify by number this Postal Money Order.

On 11/23/63, Chicago, Illinois File # CG 62-6115  
 by SAs GALE T. JOHNSON, JAMES E. HANLON  
and PHILIP R. WANERUS:kah Date dictated 11/26/63