1 - Mr. Belmont; 1 - Mr. Sullivan, 1 - Mr. Stokes; 1 - Mr. Anderson; 1 - Mr. Belmont; 1 - Mr. Sullivan; 1 - Mr. Baumgardner; 1 - Mail Koom

> February 6, 1964 BY COURIER SERVICE

Honorable J. Lee Rankin General Counsel The President's Commission 200 Maryland Avenue, Northeast Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Rankin:

Reference is made to my letter dated January 30. 1964, wherein you were advised concerning certain correspondence with Lee Harvey Oswald which was turned over to this Bureau by Fir. Arnold Johnson, Legislative Director of the Communist Party, USA.

There are enclosed the originals and one photographic copy of each of the eighteen items turned over to this Bureau by Mr. Johnson through his attorney, John J. Abt, and described in the reports of Special Agent John James O'Flaherty dated December 6 and 9, 1963, at New York. New York.

For your information, Mr. Johnson and Mr. Abt have requested that the original documents be returned to them when they have served their purpose and that any questions arising therefrom be referred to them.

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Sincerely yours, 105 825 22 FEB 17. 1964

Above documents are items of correspondence between Oswald and the CP# "The Worker," and the Gus Hall-Benjamin J. Davis Defense Committee. Has previously been included

in reports as indicated above.

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J. J. Rodale, Editor
Ruth Adams, Assistant Editor

46 S. West Street, Allentown, Pennsylvania

Please direct reply to: R.D. #2 Allentown, Fenne.

Jan. 24, 1964

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

JIR:vk

I am wondering if you could send the enclosed letter to Mrs. Lee Harvey Oswald. You may read it. I don't know her address.

I think it is very important that we get down to this question of diet in connection with crime.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,

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Please direct roply to: k.D. #0 Allentown, Penna. Jan. 24, 1964

Mrs. Lee Harvey Oswald

Dear Mrs. Oswald:

I am wondering if you could tell me exactly what was the diet of your husband. Was he prone to eat a lot of sweets, desserts and sandwiches?

I am making a study of the fact that many people are not responsible for what they do and that due to their economic status their diet is so bad that it effects their character. We are creatures of circumstances to that effect. In other words, Lee Harvey Oswald might have been the way he was because of the system of manufacturing foods and refining them and taking out vital things and the fact that he did not have enough money to buy enough of good healthy food. This might be published in our magazine called "PREVENTION".

Sincerely yours,

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Mr. J. I. Rodale

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Allentown, Pennsylvania

Dear Mr. Rodale:

Mr. Hoover received your letter of January 24th, with enclosure, and asked me to explain that it is contrary to his policy to forward mail. Therefore, he instructed me to return your letter addressed to Mrs. Oswald.

Sincerely yours,

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Helen W. Gandy Secretary

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TO Mr. Conrad DATE 1/30/64

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SUBJECT: LEE HARVEY OSWALD

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The memorandum dated 1/29/64, to you from Mr. White regarding this matter advised of the arrangements for representatives of the President's Commission and the Department to view the evidence presently in the Laboratory and to select certain items pertinent to the pending interview of Mrs. Oswald by the Commission.

Yesterday afternoon, 1/29/64, Messrs. Norman Redlich and Melving Eisenberg of the Commission, along with Mr. Charles Shaffer of the Department, began screening the numerous items and designating those believed to be pertinent to the interview. This screening which was carried out in the presence of representatives of the Domestic Intelligence Division and the Laboratory was continued today by Messrs. Eisenberg and Shaffer and was completed this afternoon.

Those items selected by the Commission representatives are indicated on the attached list with a plus sign before the item number. This designation was placed there by Mr. Eisenberg. (For your information, the "0" designation before the item means they do not want the one so designated at this time. The "B" designation stands for "Book" which they may want at a later time.) The Domestic Intelligence Division has been furnished a copy of this list with the designations.

Mr. Eisenberg stated he would prefer that these items be delivered to the Commission a few at a time as the need arises. He will advise which ones are desired the day before they are needed.

They also selected at this time, certain foreign language items for which they desired the translation. These are being furnished to them under appropriate cover letter.

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They also requested the results of handwriting examinations made on certain of the items and this information is likewise being furnished by letter.

Arrangements are also being made to furnish the Commission photographs of all items of evidence currently being held in the Laboratory.

The representatives expressed their appreciation for the excellent and prompt cooperation extended to them.

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LEE HARVEY OSWALD INTERNAL SECURITY - RUSSIA

THE PRESIDENT'S COMMISSION ASSASSINATION OF THE PRESIDENT

With reference to the Director's comments concerning the telephone numbers which were written on a slip of paper found in Oswald's trousers, there is set forth information which explains the manner in which this slip of paper came into Oswald's possession.

The Dallas Office has advised that Oswald, when arrested by the Dallas Police Department on November 22, 1963, was brought to police headquarters and was thoroughly searched, including all of his pockets, and everye thing, including all papers, was removed from his clothing. The only article of clothing worn by Oswald which was removed from his person following his arrest was the sport shirt that he was wearing. Subsequent to his arrest another shirt, as well as a sweater, had been brought to the police department for Oswald to make use of. He continued to wear the pants which he had on when arrested and he was wearing the same pants at the time he was shot by Jack Ruby. The Dallas Police Department retained possession of all articles of clothing worn by Oswald at the time he was shot by Ruby as evidence and, consequently, the Dallas Office did not examine this clothing following the killing of Oswald.

Concerning the telephone numbers, the Dallas Office advised that on Friday evening, November 22, 1963, Oswald requested permission to call Attorney John Abt in New York City but did not have his telephone number. Captain J. W. Fritz, Homicide and Robbery Bureau, Dallas Police Department, told Oswald he could call collect and that he would have to give the operator the name of the person he wanted without the number and it being an attorney in New York, the operator would locate Abt and furnish the telephone number to him.

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Captain Fritz also told Oswald that the operator would want to know the number he was calling from. In this connection the telephone number RI 8-9711 appears on the dial of the telephone in the jail and this was one of the four numbers on the piece of paper found in Oswald's pants pocket.

Captain Fritz advised that when Oswald was permitted to use the telephone, one of the jail officers, Jim Poppelwell, took Oswald from his cell to the phone and Oswald tried to call his attorney collect. He obtained the telephone number from the operator and Oswald then commented he could not recall the number and asked Poppelwell to get him paper and pencil in order to write the number down. Fritz stated that the calling of an attorney and the furnishing the prisoner with pencil and paper to write were all within the regulations of the city jail.

Officer Poppelwell advised that he tore off a small piece of paper from the corner of what is called a Telephone Contact Slip and that after receiving permission from his superior officer, he furnished the piece of paper and pencil to Oswald so that Oswald could write down the telephone number. advised that Oswald again attempted to call Abt and was unable to get the call through. He states he later took Oswald to the phone again and Oswald made two or three attempts to call. He states he did not know if the calls were completed or the identity of the person Oswald was trying to call. The police department kept no records of the numbers Oswald tried to call. Captain Fritz advised that the following morning, November 23, he talked with Oswald and inquired if Oswald had made his call. Oswald told Captain Fritz he had been allowed to make the call but had been unable to contact Attorney Abt. With reference to the piece of paper furnished by Officer Poppelwell to Oswald, it is noted this paper was two and one-fourth inches long by one and a quarter inches wide and that two telephone numbers were written down on each side. An effort has been made by the Laboratory to determine if these numbers were written in Oswald's handwriting. Because of the limited amount of questioned writing it was not possible to make a determination as to the identity of the writing.

With reference to the three New York telephone numbers, it is to be noted that CO 7-3110 is the number for the law firm of David Freedman and Abraham Unger, 320 Broadway, New York City. John J. Abt, the attorney, is listed in the New York telephone directory at this address and the same telephone number, namely, CO 7-3110, is listed as the number for his law office.

Memo to Belmont from Sen Re: Lee Harvey Oswald

AC 2-4611 is the number listed to John Abt at his home address, 444 Central Park West, New York City.

OR 9-9450 is the telephone number for "The Worker" and is not readily explainable for being written down on this piece of paper; however, based on the fact that Oswald was trying to reach Attorney Abt through the telephone operator, it would appear the operator, either at the request of Oswald or based on the fact that he is known as representing individuals associated with the Communist Party, may have tried to reach Abt at the telephone number of "The Worker."

ACTION:

There is attached a letter to Mr. Rankin setting forth the additional information concerning the telephone numbers located in the trousers worn by Oswald at the time he was killed by Jack Ruby.

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On February 2, 1964, Mr. Howard Willens of the President's Commission telephonically requested that translations be made of the following items which had been reviewed by members of the Commission staff at the FBI Laboratory:

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In addition to the items listed above for translation, Mr. Willens requested that Item No. 364, which had been previously translated, be delivered to the Commission so that it would be available when Marina Oswald was questioned. The request of Mr. Willens was furnished to Mr. Zimmers, Duty Supervisor in the Laboratory, who stated that arrangements would be made for these translations to be handled.

Item No. 364 was obtained from the Laboratory and delivered to Mr. Norman Redlich on Sunday evening, February 2, 1964.

The foregoing is submitted for information. The Laboratory is

handling.

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To:

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Director, PBI (105-82555)

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ReBucab 12-10-63 and your cab 12-13-63 concerning interview of Dr. and Mrs. John McFarland. Enclosed are four photographs of a male believed identical with the elderly male who sat next to Oswald on bus trip from Nuevo Laredo to Mexico City 9/26-27/63 who was described by the McFarlands. True identity of this individual believed to be Albert Osborne born 11-12-1888 or 1898 at Grimsley Lincolnshire, England. Osborne claims Canadian citizenship and holds Canadian Passport Number 5-605377, issued to him by Canadian Consulate, New Orleans, 10-10-63, described as five feet ten inches, 200 pounds, brown, graying hair. He claims to have been Baptist minister operating a mission at Texmelucan, Mexico, for many years. It is known that Osborne also uses identity of one John Howard Bowen, under which identity he was traveling on the bus to Mexico City 9/26-27/63. In applying for Canadian passport he said he had resided in Canada since 1917. He is believed to have traveled to Spain and possibly Europe in late 1963 and as of January, 1964, has left numerous general delivery post office addresses at various points in U.S. His present whereabouts is unknown. Bureau is endeavoring to locate and interview him. On 1-7-63, prior to possession of knowledge regarding use of dual identity. Osborne was interviewed by Legat, Mexico City, at which time he furnished false information concerning whereabouts of Bowen.

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The Australian girls referred to by McFarlands have identified Oswald and spoke of elderly male believed to be Englishman who sat next to Oswald during bus trip. During trip this individual, believed to be Osborne-Bowen, made comment to effect that Oswald appeared to have been to Mexico before.

Reinterview McFarlands displaying photographs of Osborne-Bowen in effort to identify. Ascertain if they have further information concerning revelations of Osborne-Bowen during trip, with particular reference to his comment concerning Oswald's previous trips to Mexico. During trip Oswald told girls he had previously stayed at Hotel Cuba, Mexico City, as it was inexpensive, but did not intend to stay there during current trip. Do McFarlands recall this?

Among the effects of Osborne at Mexican residence on 1-21-63 was unopened letter from Walter Osborne, Old Folks Home, Grimsby (possibly Grimsley) Lincolnshire, England, possibly a close relative. Arrange for interview of Walter Osborne and for check of birth records regarding Albert Osborne. Check Immigration to ascertain if Osborne or Bowen entered England in late 1963. Expedite. Should Osborne-Bowen be in England, hold interview in abeyance pending additional Bureau instructions. Sucab.

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FROM DIRECTOR FDI (105-82555

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NOTE FOR SAC. NEW ORLEANS:

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FROM DIRECTOR FBI (105-82555)

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BUREAU ENDEAVORING TO LOCATE ALBERT OSBORNE, HOLDER OF CANADIAN PASSPORT NUMBER FIVE DASH SIX ZERO FIVE THREE SEVEN SEVEN ISSUED AT NEW ORLEANS OCTOBER TEN LAST. OSBORNE, WHO ALSO USES NAME JOHN HOWARD BOWEN, BORN NOVEMBER TWELVE ONE NINE EIGHT EIGHT OR NINE EIGHT, GRIMSLEY, ENGLAND, IS FIVE FEET TEN INCHES, TWO ZERO ZERO POUNDS, BROWN-GRAY HAIR. HE CLAIMS TO BE BAPTIST MINISTER WHO HAS LIVED AT MISSION IN MEXICO FOR MANY YEARS. HE WAS PASSENGER SITTING NEXT TO OSWALD ON BUS TRIP FROM NUEVO LAREDO TO MEXICO CITY SEPTEMBER TWENTY-SIX - TWENTY-SEVEN LAST. OSBORNE BELIEVED TO HAVE VISITED SPAIN SOME TIME BETWEEN ISSUANCE OF PASSPORT AND JANUARY SEVEN LAST. HE HAS FURNISHED MUCH FALSE INFORMATION CONCERNING HIS BACKGROUND AND ACTIVITIES.

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FORMER SPECIAL AGENT JOHN W. FAIN, HOUSTON, TEXAS, FURNISHED SWORN AFFIDAVIT JANUARY TWENTYNINE, INSTANT RECALLING HE HAD INTERVIEWED OSWALD ON TWO OCCASIONS IN JUNE AND AUGUST, NINETEEN SIXTYTWO AT FT. WORTH, TEXAS. FAIN CERTIFIED NO PAYMENTS MADE OR OFFERED TO OSWALD, NO EFFORT MADE TO RECRUIT HIM IN ANY CAPACITY FOR FBI OR OTHER GOVERNMENT AGENCY, AND NO SUGGESTION EITHER EXPRESSED OR IMPLIED WAS EVER MADE THAT OSWALD ACT AS INFORMANT OR EMPLOYEE FOR U. S. GOVERNMENT. FAIN CERTIFIED OSWALD EXHIBITED ARROGANT AND HOSTILE ATTITUDE DURING INTERVIEW.

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UNITED STATES GOVERN 1emorandum DATE: 1-29-64 MR. CONRA : B. J. WHITE SUBJECT: LEE HARVEY OSWALD INTERNAL SECURITY - RUSSIA At 10:15 AM, 1-29-64, Mr. Howard P. Willens, Criminal Division, of the Department called in regard to the possibility of two members of the President's Commission and a representative from the Department looking at the evidence presently being held in the Laboratory in this case. He stated that the reason for this request was that they would like to pick out a few items of the evidence which might be pertinent to an interview of Mrs. Oswald which the Commission intends to hold on February 3, 1964. He stated that he did not desire to take the material immediately to the Commission but would probably like to have some of the items prior to the interview. I told him that we would be glad to show the evidence at any time to members of the Commission and he indicated that 3:00 PM, this date. would be satisfactory. Mr. Willens advised that a Mr. Charles N. Shaffer of the Criminal Division of the Department will be with the two members of the Commission, Professor Norman Redlich and Mr. Melvin A. Eisenberg, It was suggested that they come to the office of Assistant Director Conrad. ACTION: None.....you will be kept advised of further developments. 1 - Mr. Belmont 1 - Mr. Rosen 1 - Mr. Sullivan 1 - Mr. Malley (8) **REC- 43** 22 FEB 17 21364

DIRECTOR, FBI (105-82555)

January 30, 1964 DATE:

SAC, DETROIT (100-31965)

LEE HARVEY OSWALD, Aka.

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Enclosed herewith for the Bureau is a copy of a letter addressed to the Editor, "Mining Journal," Ishpeming, Michigan, from R. A. BENNETT, Pico Rivera, California.

Autostats of the letter are enclosed for the information of the Los Angeles and Dallas Offices.

This letter was furnished to the Detroit Office by mail on January 24, 1964, by Mr. KEN LOWE, Editor of the Ishpeming "Mining Journal."

This letter is being furnished for the information of the Bureau and interested offices and no further action is being taken by Detroit.

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EDITOR
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THINKING ALOUD!

Americans have been asked to wait in good faith for the facts surrounding the tragic death of our late President Kennedy. I, for one, refuse to believe a thorough and penetrating investigation of this crime committed by a COMMUNIST can be expected from the EARL WARREN COMMISSION. After all, the Communists themselves have proclaimed some of the Warren Court decisions as great victories for the "comrades" of this nation.

Our Chief Justice Warren was among the first to be on nationwide TV immediately after the assassination of Mr. Kennedy. Warren maligned the "right wing" by accusing them for being instrumental in the Dallas death-facts available as soon as the Communist killer was captured haven't caused Warren to retract his irresponsible statements and I feel he has disgraced his profession.

Perhaps this investigation could bring out the facts by starting with our Atty. General Robert Kennedy- why did he imagine danger from the right when the Communists have openly stated their avowed plan to take over this country. Lee Oswald toured Russia with his wife who, incidentally, is the daughter of a Russian Intelligence Colonel! Demand the facts from the Warren Commission soon or they'll be forgotten!

R. A. Bennett Pico Rivera, Calif Airtel

1 - Belmont
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To:

SAC, Los Angeles

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Director, FBI (105-82555) _____

LEE HARVEY OSWALD, aka 18 - R - CUBA

ReDElet 1-30-64 enclosing for the Bureau and the other interested offices a letter addressed to the Editor, "Mining Journal," Ishpeming, Michigan, from R. A. Bennett, Pico Rivera, California.

A check of Bufiles discloses no information identifiable with R. A. Bennett. The Los Angeles Office should immediately identify R. A. Bennett and thereafter interview him to ascertain all information he might possess bearing upon the assassination of President John F. Kennedy or information in his possession regarding subject and his wife, Marina Oswald.

Handle immediately and submit results of investigation in a report suitable for dissemination in captioned matter.

1 - Dallas (100-10461) 1 - Detroit (100-31965)

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NOTE:

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Detroit Office received a letter written by Bennett from Mr. Ken Lowe, Editor of the "Mining Journal." In this letter Bennett is critical of the Earl Warren Commission and Chief Justice Warren. He also alleges that Lee Oswald toured Russia with his wife who "incidentally, is the daughter of a Russian intelligence colonel," We are having Bernett identified and interviewed to obtain firsthand any information he might possess in this matter.

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made one or two trips to Arizona or New Mexico where RITZ allegedly had relatives. RITZ allegedly inherited some money when his grandfather died in the west. RITZ, NANCY and one WILLIAM MARLOWE (reportedly a long-time friend of RITZ) started back to the west, after the inheritance, and allegedly were held up in St. Louis, Missouri, and lost all their belongings.

On April 17, 1963, NANCY called her home from Anton, Texas, and gave most of the above information. On April 18, 1963, she again called from Las Crues, New Mexico, and reported that she was stranded with WILLIAM MARLOWE and that RITZ had disappeared. On April 21, 1963, Mr. ERNEST MC CLAIN called the Las Cruces Police Department and it was reported to nim that NANCY and EDWARD RITZ had been together in Las Cruces, had been given food and lodging and the police had endeavored to get RITZ a job as a short order cook.

On April 25, 1963, Mrs. LOLA MC DONALD, great aunt to NANCY, Rural Route (Plantersville) Tupelo, Mississippi, telephoned the McClain residence and reported that NANCY and WILLIAM MARLOWE were at her home. It was learned that MARLOWE had left after staying one night. After two or three unsuccessful attempts, Mr. ERNEST MC CLAIN reached his daughter, by telephone, in Tupelo, and she confessed she was not married to MARLOWE. NANCY promised to return to Grand Rapids, Michigan. MC CLAIN sent her a non-cashable bus ticket for her teturn to Grand Rapids, Michigan. It was subsequently learned that NANCY telephoned a brother of MARLOWE in the Cleveland area and told him that she was returning to Grand Rapids, by bus, via Chicago. WILLIAM MARLOWE, meantime, had been arrested in Memphis, Tennessee, and he telephoned the same brother and learned of the plans of NANCY. Somehow MARLOWE managed to meet NANCY in Chicago and NANCY never got to Grand Rapids. It was learned that NANCY made the following telephone calls while at the home of Mrs. LOLA MC DONALD in Tupelo, Mississippi:

- 1. SU. 1-1085 at Cleveland, Ohio
- 2. 322-2783 Elyria, Ohio
- 3. 323-1212 Elyria, Ohio

After April 28, 1963, NANCY and WILLIAM MARLOWE went to Cleveland, Ohio. On June 17, 1963, NANCY telephoned her parents from somewhere near Grand Rapids and informed that she was bringing her new husband to Grand Rapids. They arrived on the same date. NANCY explained that MARLOWE was an old acquaintance of her first husband, EDWARD MICHAEL RITZ; that MARLOWE had loaned RITZ considerable money; that RITZ had not repaid MARLOWE; that all of them started from the west after RITZ learned about his inheritance; that all were involved in an auto accident in St. Louis, Missouri; that RITZ disappeared later; that she divorced RITZ; that she later married MARLOWE. The date and place of the divorce and the marriage to MARLOWE are unknown.

Later, the Welfare Office in Elyria, Ohio, advised that they had no information that would indicate that RITZ and NANCY had been divorced nor any information indicating a legal marriage of NANCY to MARLOWE.

On October 28, 1963, NANCY furnished the address of 867
Dennison, Apartment 4, Columbus, Ohio, by letter to her parents.
On November 9, 1963, she furnished the address of 1031
Dennison, Columbus, Ohio. On December 20, 1963, and January 9, 1964, she furnished the address of 9222 North High Street,
Apartment 12 (rear), Columbus 11, Ohio. She advised that
WILLIAM MARLOWE was employed by the A. W. Auld Company, in the painting department and that she was employed at the Doctor's Hospital, Columbus, Ohio, in the maternity ward.

The above is all the information known to Mr. and Mrs. MC CLAIN, and they have no information whatsoever that anyone mentioned above has contacts in Dallas or knows either LEE HARVEY OSWALD or JACK RUBY.

For the information of Cincinnati, one copy of the referenced letter plus a copy of the Cleveland airtel to the Bureau dated January 2, 1964, are enclosed for background information. Also enclosed are photos of NANCY JANE RITZ and WILLIAM MARLOWE.

THE CINCINNATI DIVISION, at Columbus, Ohio, will Interview NANCY JANE MARLOWE, nee MC CIAIN, aka.

Mrs. WILLIAM MARLOWE, 9222 N. High Street, Apartment 12 (rear) or at the Doctor's Hospital, in accordance with the information set out on page 1 of Cleveland letter to the Director dated January 21, 1963.

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J. LEE RANKIN, General Counsel

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Mr.'J. Edgar Hoover Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation Department of Justice Washington, D. C. 20530

Dear Mr. Hoover:

This will acknowledge receipt of two copies of the report of Special Agent Robert P. Gemberling dated

January 22, 1964, at Dallas, Texas.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

J. Lee Rankin General Counsel

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FROM SAN ANTONIO /105-2909

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PAREN TRUE NAME PAREN AKA JOHN HOWARD BOWEN, PRESENTLY

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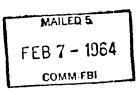
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Reurtel 2-3-64. Recontact Reverend Walter Hluchan to develop specifics concerning his knowledge of Osborne's work as a clergyman and as to Osborne's travels from 9-1-63 to date. Ascertain if Reverend Hluchan can shed any light on Osborne's educational background, particularly in reference to his training for the ministry. Retel states that Osborne, according to Hluchan, has in the past used the identity of name John Howard Bowen, as 20 years ago he had tourist hermit (presumed to mean permit) in name of Bowen. This does not explain why Osborne has continually used Bowen identity. Ascertain from Hluchan his understanding of why Osborne had tourist permit in name of Bowen and why he has used this identity. Expedite.

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TO SAC. DALLAS

FROM DIRECTOR, FBI

LEE HARVEY OSWALD, INTERNAL SECURITY DASH RUSSIA DASH CUBA. AS RESULT OF HIS APPEARANCE BEFORE MEMBERS OF WARREN COMMISSION IN THIS CASE THERE APPEARS TO BE SOME CONFUSION IN THE MED OF DALLAS DISTRICT ATTORNEY HINRY WADE AS TO MANNER IN WHICH HE HANDLED AND PAID INFORMANTS WHILE ON SIS ASSIGNMENT IN QUITO, ECUADOR. SEPARATE COVER BUREAU IS FORWARDING TO YOU TODAY A COMPLETE SET OF THE VOUCHERS AND RECEIPTS SUBMITTED BY WADE DURING SUCH ASSIGNMENT. YOU ARE INSTRUCTED TO PERSONALLY INTERVIEW WADE AT ONCE, SHOWING THESE DOCUMENTS AND STRAIGHTHNING HIM OUT FULLY AND COMPLETELY IF HE HAS ANY REMAINING DOUBT THAT ALL FUNDS EXPENDED BY HIM WERE ENTIRELY AND ACCURATILY ACCOUNTED FOR. YOU SHOULD BE SURE THAT WADE RECOGNIZES THAT HE SECURED RECEIPTS FOR THE PAYMENTS MADE TO HIS INFORMANTS AND THAT THESE PAYMENTS WERE REPORTED TO BUREAU IN DETAIL. IT SHOULD BE DEFINITELY UNDERSTOOD BY WADE THAT HE DID NOT HANDLE ADVISE BUREAU INFORMATTS WITHOUT THE FULL KNOWLEDGE OF THE BUREAU.

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FROM: DIRECTOR, FDI (105-82555)

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Recontact Mrs. Loving in effort to ascertain the postmark on the letter she received during last week of January, 1964, from Osborne, which bore return address Texmelucan, Mexico.

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NOTE: Mrs. Loving is correspondent of Osborne-Bowen who we want to locate for interview.

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Recontact Mrs. Dykes to determine who sent Bowen's name to her two years ago.

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TO DIRECTOR 105-82555

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JAN THIRTY, MRS. RUTH PAINE ADVISED HER HUSBAND OWNS A MINOX CAMERA WHICH BECAME RUSTY AND UNWORKABLE DUE TO BEING DROPPED IN SALT WATER. STATED OTHER PARAPHERNALIA PERTAINING TO THIS MINOX CAMERA WAS RETAINED BY HER HUSBAND. SHE STATED THERE WERE SOME CANS OF MINOX FILM BELONGING TO HER HUSBAND WHICH SHE PRESUMES WERE TAKEN IN THE SEARCH. SHE STATES HER HUSBAND HAD SOME BRAND OF LIGHT METER WHICH MAY HAVE BEEN TAKEN IN SEARCH.

ON INSTANT DATE, MICHAEL PAINE MADE AVAILABLE THE ABOVE MENTIONED MINOX CAMERA, SN TWO SEVEN TWO FIVE NINE, WHICH HE STATES HAS NOT BEEN USED FOR ABOUT FIVE YEARS. HE CONSIDERS IT UNWORKABLE BECAUSE OF SHUTTER DAMAGE. STATES THERE MAY EXPEDITE EXPOSED AND/OR UNEXPOSED FILM FOR THIS CAMERA IN THE MATERIAL SEIZED IN SEARCH OF HIS RESIDENCE. STATES ANY EXPOSED FILM WOULD HAVE BEEN TAKEN NO MORE RECENTLY THAN FIVE YEARS AGO.

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MR. PAINE STATED HE HAD A LIGHT METER WHICH MAY HAVE BEEN A MINOX LIGHT METER, WHICH HE PRESUMES WAS TAKEN IN THE SEARCH.

DALLAS PD AWARE THAT NO MINOX CAMERA OBTAINED IN SEARCH.

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BUREAU WITH OTHER EVIDENCE AFTER BEING PHOTOGRAPHED AT DALLS.

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To: SAC, New York (105-38431)

From: Director, FBI (105-82555) —1784

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Re your airtel 1-28-64, same caption.

You should immediately contact Frank Capell, editor of "The Herald of Freedom", regarding certain points appearing in the 1-17-64 issue of his publication.

- (1) The Bureau desires to learn the exact sources of Capell's information and to obtain copies of same, if available, for information appearing in the first paragraph under the heading "The Assassination" on the second page, first column of the pamphlet.
- (2) The Bureau questions the date of 11-29-63 given for the Munich, Germany newspaper, "Deutsche National Zeitung," which appears on the second page, column two, paragraph three. The specific source and any available copy thereof for information from that newspaper should be obtained. As the New York Office may be aware, information re Oswald's reported attempt on General Walker's life in Dallas in April, 1963, was not developed by this Bureau until several days after 11-29-63.
- (3) You should determine the source and obtain available copies thereof for the Bureau on the point that Mrs. Ruth Paine "called John Abt, the communist lawyer, for Oswald." This statement appears in paragraph three on the third page, first column of Capell's publication.

Submit results of contact with Capell as soon as possible.

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NOTE:

Capell discontinued in January, 1961, as a criminal informant as a result of his public participation in anticommunist activities in New York City. He described "The Herald of Freedom" as a publication devoted to combating Communism. Socialism and un-American activities, published weekly. 94-59029). In 1943, Capell was arrested by this Bureau for accepting a \$1000 bribe in violation of an order of the War Production Board and he received a sentence of a year and a day, but this sentence was suspended and he was put on probation for two years. (58-827). The 1-17-64 issue furnished to New York Office by Capell is devoted to the assassination of President Kennedy. Capell advised New York that the article was written from public source material. Bureau desires documentation in order to check out several points in Capell's article.

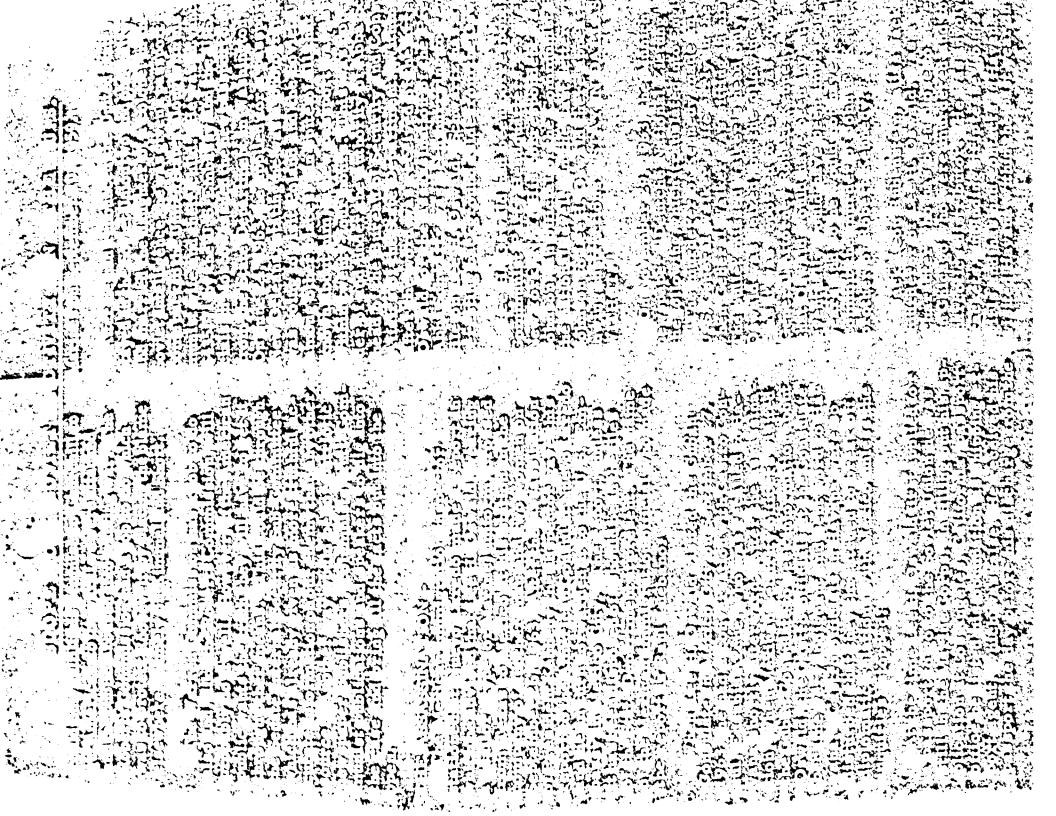
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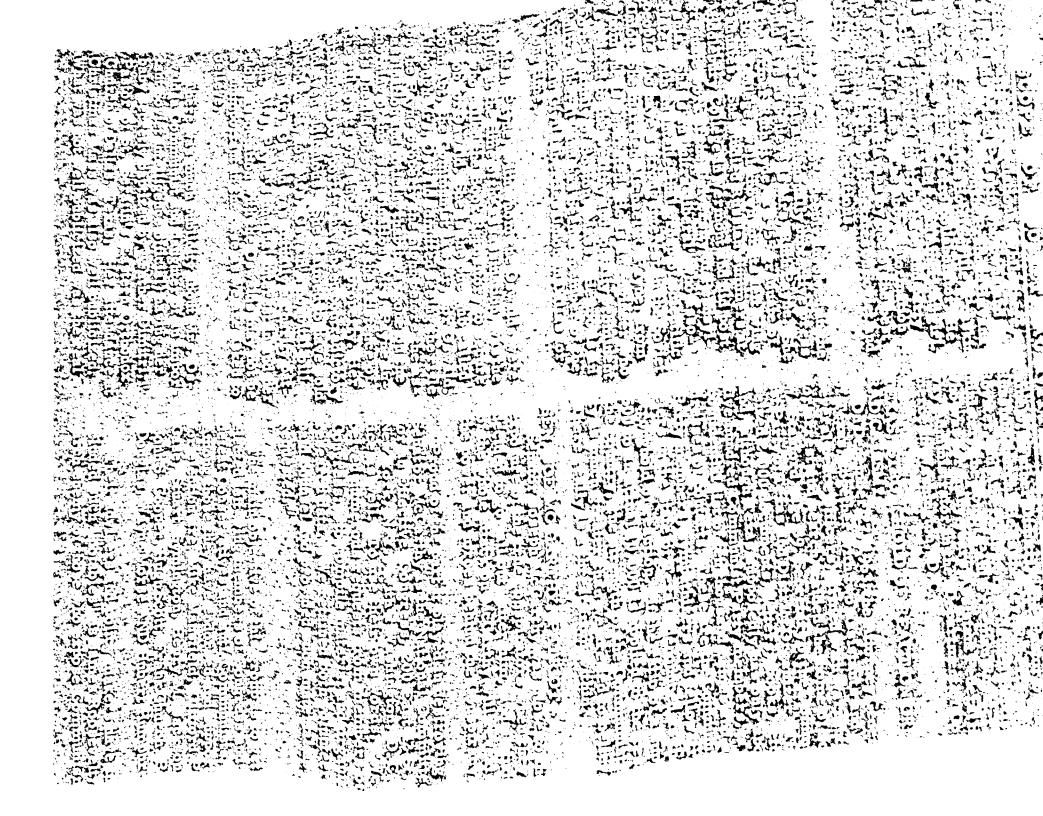
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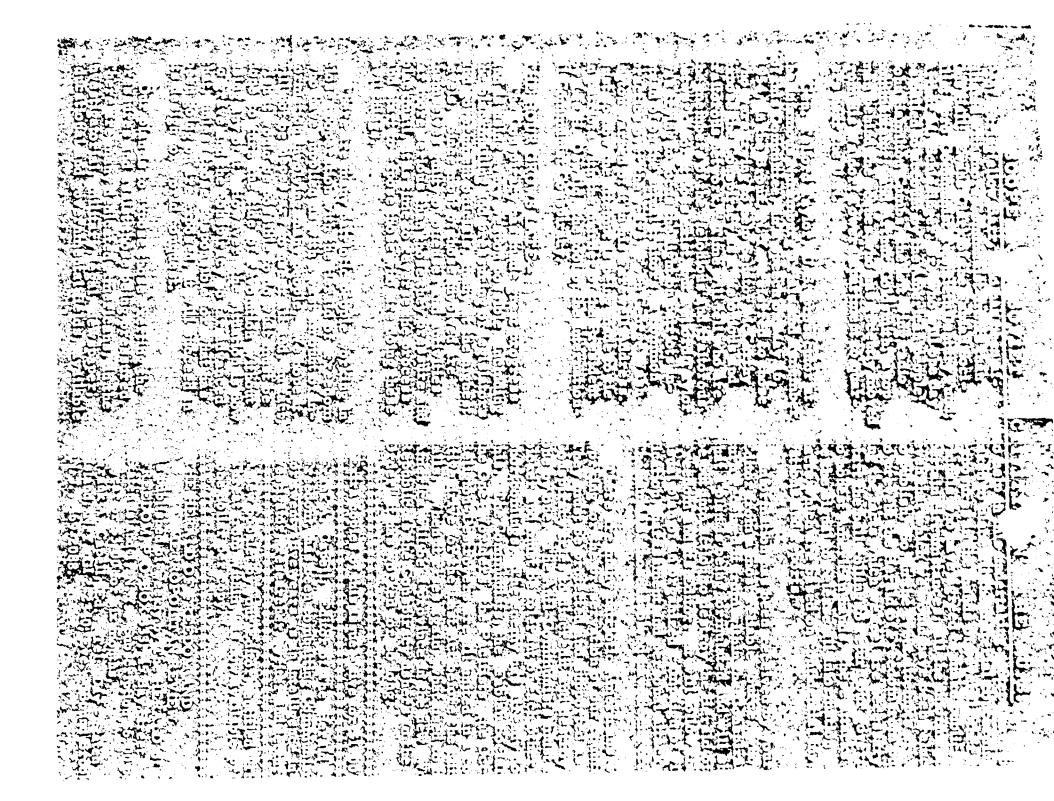
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NYO not certain if Bureau aware of data re OSWALD contained in this issue of "The Herald of Freedom" and enclosed photostats being forwarded for information of Bureau.

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February 7, 1964

Mr. Frederick C. Boots 86 North Wayne Avenue Columbus 4, Ohio

Dear Mr. Boots:

Your letter of January 31st has been received, and I want to thank you for your thoughtfulness in writing.

In response to your inquiry, I can assure you that Lee Harvey Oswald never served this Bureau in any capacity.

Sincerely yours,

4. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover Director

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> NOTE: Bureau files contain nothing derogatory concerning correspondent and we have had prior limited cordial correspondence with him, last outgoing 7-26-62 in response to his request for information concerning CORE. Correspondent is referring to the article by Harold Feldman which appears in the 1/27/64 issue of "The Nation." The article attempts to link Oswald with the FBI as an informant.

86 - th Wayne Avenue Co. 18 4, Ohio

J. Edgar Hoover Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation

Dear Sir:

I read recently in <u>The Nation</u> magazine that it is thought amoung certain groups that Oswald was an undercover agent for the Federal Eureau of Investigation.

I am wondering if your office has taken the time to debunk this lastest hallucination.

I await your reply.

Thank you.

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Memorandum

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W. C. Sullivan

DATE 2-4-64

SUBJECT: LEE HARVEY OSWALD
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FROM

By letter 1-31-64 J. Lee Rankin, General Counsel, President's Commission On the Assassination of President Kennedy, furnished a copy of a letter addressed to the Attorney General which was sent to Congressman Hale Boggs, a member of the President's Commission. This letter was written by Mrs. Lou Wylie Hayes, a 70-year-old retired newspaper woman residing in New Orleans, Louisiana. Congressman Boggs has described Mrs. Hayes as a thoroughly responsible person and stated information contained in her letter should be thoroughly checked out.

Mrs. Hayes alleges that a person whom she now believes to have been Lee Harvey Oswald sat next to her on a bus in New Orleans during September, 1963 (exact date not recalled), at which time Oswald told everyone on the bus he had just returned from a State Department assignment in Cuba on a U. S. Army plane and had been met at the airport in New Orleans by the FBI. The FBI had then taken him to a bus stop rather than to his home for security reasons. Oswald praised Castro and stated he, Oswald, now had the "say so" as to the return of prisoners to the U. S. from Cuba.

Mrs. Hayes claims she contacted the local FBI and Walter Cowan, city editor of a local newspaper, concerning this matter. Mrs. Hayes also states she has previously assisted the FBI in its investigations of two other individuals.

Bufiles disclose Mrs. Lou Wylie Van Sicklen, who appears to be identical with Mrs. Lou Wylie Hayes, directed a letter to this Bureau 7-28-42 wherein she related several unrelated incidents concerning individuals who reportedly made pro-Japanese statements.

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Memo Branigan to Sullivan
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She indicated she was a former newspaper woman having worked in New York for some 12 years and only recently returned to the south. She stated she would do anything in her power to be of assistance.

Bufiles contain no information identifiable with Walter Cowan mentioned above.

RECOMMENDATION:

If you approve, the attached airtel will be sent to New Orleans instructing that this matter be immediately and definitely resolved and the Bureau appropriately advised.

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