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Date: 4/20/64

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Via AIRTEL _____
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (105-82555)
FROM: SAC, CHICAGO (62-6115)
SUBJECT: LLE HARVLY OSWALD, aka
IS - R - CUBA

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Re Bureau airtel to Albany dated 4/15/64.

All security informants and potential security in-
formants including NOI, CP, SWP, Espionage and so forth of
the Chicago Division have been contacted and none possess any
information concerning subject or his activities.

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1 - Chicago

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Date: 4/20/64

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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL - REGISTERED MAIL
(Priority or Method of Mailing)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (105-82555)
FROM: SAC, JACKSONVILLE (105-824) (P)
SUBJECT: LEE HARVEY OSWALD
IS-R-CUBA
OO:DALLAS

ReBuairtel to all offices dated 4/15/64.

All security informants and potential security informants of the Jacksonville Division have been contacted with negative results concerning any knowledge they might possess regarding LEE HARVEY OSWALD and his activities.

3-Bureau (RM)
2-Dallas (100-10461) (RM)
2-Jacksonville
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COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

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Memorandum

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: 4-31-64

FROM : Legat, Paris (100-1793) (P.)

SUBJECT: THOMAS GITTINGS BUCHANAN, JR.
 SM - C
 Bufile 100-254341
 Paris 100-1793

ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT
 JOHN F. KENNEDY
 NOVEMBER 22, 1963
 DALLAS, TEXAS
 MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING
 Bufile 100-199069
 Paris 62-143

Re Paris letters 4-1-64 and 4-7-64.

Enclosed for the Bureau are pertinent pages of the 4-9-64 edition of "L'Express", containing another article in the series by THOMAS GITTINGS BUCHANAN, JR., concerning the assassination of President KENNEDY.

BUCHANAN sets forth in general terms background information concerning the death of ENRICO MATTEI, the Italian oil magnate, and in essence states that oil interests in the United States were behind the death of President KENNEDY as well as that of MATTEI. His reasoning in general is that a firming of American foreign policy following MATTEI's death would be of interest to powerful oil groups in Texas and would stimulate war industries in which oil interests had invested heavily. He reasons further that a continuing of American firmness under KENNEDY would have run the risk of nationalizing abroad oil concessions which a number of Texas oil magnates had acquired.

- 8 - Bureau (Enc. 2)
 - (1 - Liaison Section)
 - 1 - Baltimore, 100-12596
 - 1 - Dallas
 - 1 - Washington Field, 100-19104
- 2 - Paris (100-1793; 62-143)

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100-1793-72
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Paris 100-1783

BUCHANAN concludes his article by listing seven individuals or groups of individuals whom he accuses of having assisted "Mr. H." in carrying out the assassination plan. (Although he does not elaborate further, it is possible that BUCHANAN may have reference to H. L. HUNT.)

1. The policeman who issued an arrest order against OSWALD at a time when there was no reason to suspect him.
2. The murderer who fired at least one shot from the railroad bridge ahead of the motorcade.
3. The partisan who fired at least one shot from the book warehouse.
4. The individual who was instructed to slay OSWALD in cold blood.
5. LEE HARVEY OSWALD.
6. The accomplice who allowed OSWALD to leave the book depot despite police orders, as well as the policeman in civilian clothes who surveilled him for an hour and did not arrest him despite the arrest order which was then outstanding.
7. A number of municipal and federal investigators.

It is recommended that this current article, which appears to be the last in the series, be translated in order to complete the entire series, and it is recommended that a copy of the translation be furnished to this office.

There is also enclosed for the Bureau a copy of U.S.I.S. Bulletin #100 dated April 10, 1964, which contains an analysis and comments by the local office of U.S.I.S. concerning the BUCHANAN series. The Bureau will note that the article concludes with comments concerning the present policy of the local office of U.S.I.S. with regard to the BUCHANAN articles and mentions a possible future course of action in an effort to place the articles in their "proper perspective". Similar information was furnished to the Bureau in my cable 3-10-64 captioned "THOMAS GIFFINIS BUCHANAN, JR."

Paris 100-1793

"SM - C". The Bureau's attention is also invited to page 2 of the U.S.I.S. article, wherein mention is made that two unnamed U. S. publishers are reportedly competing for publication rights in the United States.

As mentioned in referenced Paris letter 4-7-64, we will continue to look for the appearance of BUCHANAN'S articles in book form and will promptly furnish two copies of the book to the Bureau as soon as it appears.

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Date: 4/16/64

Transmit the following in _____
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Via AIRTEL _____
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(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (105-82555)
FROM: SAC, DETROIT (100-31965) (P)

LEE HARVEY OSWALD
IS-R-CUBA
(OO: DALLAS)

Re: ARNOLD LOUIS KESSLER

On 4/14/64, SA JAMES R. MC GANCE contacted _____
_____ as follows concerning ARNOLD KESSLER: (Project)

His SSN is 20-94-42-286. A letter had been received from him with the following return address on 4/6/64:

Arnold Kessler,
Rua Rebiero de Lima 236,
Apartment 34, Bom-Retiro Sao Paulo,
Brasil

His letter contained information showing his knowledge that permission to be out of the U.S. would expire and he stated a desire to have his draft status classified based on the fact that he is presently studying Portuguese at an accredited language institute where he is also teaching English. He is living with relatives in Sao Paulo and because he cannot resume studies at Berkley until the fall he would like to remain in Brasil for several months so that the courses in Portuguese can be completed.

- 3 - Bureau
 - 2 - Dallas (100-10461)
 - 1 - Washington Field (105-37111) (Info)
 - 1 - San Francisco (39-58)
 - 1 - Detroit
- JRM/bkm
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*Cable to 105-82555 - 4/16/64
Copy to 105-82555, 100-31965, 105-37111, 39-58, 100-10461*

Handwritten initials and scribbles

Approved: _____ Sent _____ M Per _____
Special Agent in Charge
G. G. VICK

DE 100-31965

[redacted] advised that an air mail letter had been sent to him on 4/7/64, at the above Sao Paulo address and a copy of the letter was sent to his home address, 18206 Pinchurst, Detroit. He was advised in this letter that there was nothing in his file to support his claim that he is currently a student at an accredited university, therefore, his classification as 1A is being continued and he was ordered to report 5/22/64, as per attached order to report for physical examination. He was ordered to report to Ft. Wayne, 6301 W. Jefferson, Detroit, Mich., at 7:00 a.m. on 5/22/64. He was further advised that it would be his responsibility to have his school certify his attendance there. He was also advised that it would also be his responsibility to have his employer certify his employment and if information concerning these two matters was received, then the local board could determine whether or not any change concerning his order to report would be certified.

Detroit will maintain contact with the above [redacted] board and advise of any pertinent information.

CODE

4/21/64

CABLEGRAM

URGENT

- 1 - Branigan
- 1 - Lenihan
- 1 - Stokes
- 1 - Anderson

TO LEGAT MEXICO CITY (105-3702)

FROM DIRECTOR, FBI (105-82555)

LEE HARVEY OSWALD, IS - R - CUBA

REBUAIRTEL APRIL SIX LAST AND LEGAT, MEXICO, CABLEGRAM APRIL

SIXTEEN LAST. BY AIRTEL WITH ENCLOSED LETTERHEAD MEMORANDUM, BOTH

DATED APRIL FOURTEEN LAST, COPY SEPARATELY FURNISHED LEGAT, MEXICO,

SAN FRANCISCO ADVISED PHOTOGRAPHS OF ARNOLD LOUIS KESSLER POSITIVELY

IDENTIFIED AS BEING IDENTICAL WITH "ARNOLD" REFERRED TO BY [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] BY AIRTEL APRIL SIXTEEN LAST, COPY ALSO FURNISHED LEGAT,

MEXICO, INFORMATION RECEIVED FROM DETROIT INDICATING KESSLER SENT

LETTER TO LOCAL BOARD NINE FOUR, DETROIT, MICHIGAN, POSTMARKED IN

CARE OF RIMBALSKY, RUA RIBEIRO DE LIMA TWO THREE SIX, APARTMENT

THIRTY-FOUR BOM RITIRO, SAO PAULO, BRAZIL. KESSLER REQUESTED CHANGE

IN DRAFT STATUS AS HE IS PRESENTLY STUDYING PORTUGUESE AT ACCREDITED

LANGUAGE INSTITUTE, NOT FURTHER IDENTIFIED, WHERE HE IS ALSO TEACHING

ENGLISH. HE IS STAYING WITH RELATIVES AND WOULD LIKE TO REMAIN IN

- 1 - DALLAS
- 1 - DETROIT
- 1 - SAN FRANCISCO
- 1 - WFO
- 1 - RIO DE JANEIRO (ENCLOSURES 12)

LLA:MJH:PA

VIA CABLEGRAM
 APR 21 1964
 3:28 PM WS

Foreign Liaison Unit (route thru for review)

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MAIL ROOM TELETYPE UNIT

SEE NOTE PAGE TWO

CABLEGRAM TO MEXICO CITY
RE: LEE HARVEY OSWALD
105-82555

BRAZIL FOR SEVERAL MONTHS. LOCAL BOARD NINE FOUR ADVISED KESSLER THAT UPON RECEIPT OF PROPER CERTIFICATION CONSIDERATION WILL BE GIVEN HIS REQUEST.

IN VIEW OF ABOVE, LEGAT, MEXICO, EXPEDITE INVESTIGATION REQUESTED IN BUREAU AIRTEL APRIL SIX LAST RELATING TO STATEMENTS OF ALCARAZ ARAGON SO THAT APPROPRIATE INTERVIEW WITH KESSLER MAY BE ARRANGED BY LEGAT, RIO, TO BRING THIS MATTER TO LOGICAL CONCLUSION. COPY MAILED LEGAT, RIO, FOR INFORMATION AND FUTURE HANDLING WITH TWELVE OTHER COMMUNICATIONS CONTAINING PERTINENT BACKGROUND CONCERNING THIS MATTER. COPIES ALSO MAILED DALLAS, DETROIT, SAN FRANCISCO AND WFO.

NOTE:

[A confidential source in San Francisco advised that told him that] Investigation has determined "Arnold" is Arnold Kessler, a former student at University of California at Berkeley, from Detroit, Michigan. Kessler reportedly dropped out of University of California, traveled in Mexico, and is presently in Brazil. We previously received allegation from a student at University of California that a Mexican student, Alcaraz Aragon, met subject during subject's trip to Mexico. Aragon denied this but did admit meeting a Steve Kennan, who fits description of Kessler, who Aragon suspected may have known subject. Legat, Mexico, is exploring possibility allegation re "Arnold" may tie-in with Aragon's statements. Kessler should be interviewed as soon as this angle resolved.

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Cablegram to Mexico City
Re: LEE HARVEY OSWALD
105-82555

NOTE CONTINUED:

Enclosed for Legat, Rio, are Detroit airtel 4/16/64;
Legat, Mexico City, cablegram 4/15/64; WFO letter 4/10/64;
San Francisco teletype 4/3/64; Detroit teletype 4/3/64; Legat,
Mexico City letter and letterhead memorandum both dated 1/23/64;
San Francisco airtel 3/30/64; and San Francisco airtel and
letterhead memorandum both dated 3/20/64; and San Francisco
airtel and letterhead memorandum both dated 4/14/64.

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