

OSWALD

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SECTION 14b

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Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 4/17/64

FROM : SAC, LOS ANGELES (105-16338) (P)

SUBJECT: PROPOSED PICTURE ON THE LIFE OF MARIE OSWALD IS-R

OO: Los Angeles

BUCK HARRIS, Publicity Director, Screen Actors Guild (SAG), Hollywood, on 2/27/64 disclosed that Cinema International Productions, aka Tex-Italia Productions, with offices in Rome, is rumored to be planning a film on the life of Mrs. OSWALD, widow of LEE HARVEY OSWALD.

HARRIS said the report first came to him the day before from LARRY GLEN, Los Angeles correspondent for the New York Times Newspaper. The reporter said he had just picked up the tip from an undisclosed news source and wanted confirmation from HARRIS. According to the reporter, the production company is headed by two men named CHARLES LASATER and GEORGE DOUGLAS who in February had office space at the Samuel Goldwyn Studios.

HARRIS has since learned that the men were asked to leave the Goldwyn lot, for unknown reasons, without producing a picture. HARRIS has not been able to identify this company or the men heading it with any previous credits in the motion picture industry.

Los Angeles will discreetly follow this situation through HARRIS who plans to determine if LASATER and DOUGLAS are legitimate producers.

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To: SAC, Los Angeles
From: Director, FBI (105-82555) - 3488
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LEE HARVEY OSWALD
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ReLAlet 4-17-64 captioned, "Proposed Picture on the Life of Marie Oswald" (LA file 105-16338), copy of which is enclosed for Dallas.

Los Angeles should immediately incorporate the information from Harris in a report suitable for dissemination to the President's Commission under the Oswald caption.

Bufiles contain no information identifiable with Charles Lasater and George Douglas.

1 - Dallas (100-10461) Enc.

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NOTE:

Relet disclosed that Buck Harris, Publicity Director, Screen Actors Guild, had advised that Cinema International Productions, with offices in Rome, is rumored to be planning a film on the life of subject's widow; that Charles Lasater and George Douglas, who reportedly head the production company, previously had office space at the Samuel Goldwyn Studios but had been asked to leave without producing a picture. Harris indicated he would attempt to determine if Lasater and Douglas are legitimate producers and will advise the Los Angeles Office. In view of the Commission's interest in Marina Oswald, this information should be incorporated in report form.

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April 30, 1964

BY COURIER SERVICE

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

Lee Harvey Oswald

Dear Mr. Rankin:

Reference is made to your letter of April 7, 1964, requesting this Bureau to conduct further investigation for the purpose of locating a safe-deposit box which Lee Harvey Oswald may have rented in his name, in the name of a member of his immediate family or in any assumed name in Irving, Fort Worth, Dallas, Houston or Laredo, Texas.

Enclosed are two copies of each of the following memoranda which contain results of our investigation in this matter:

- (1) Memorandum dated April 17, 1964, at San Antonio, Texas *3538*
- (2) Memorandum dated April 17, 1964, at Houston, Texas *3539*
- (3) Memorandum dated April 21, 1964, at Dallas, Texas *3540*

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Your attention is directed to page 12 of the memorandum dated April 21, 1964, at Dallas, Texas, which reflects that a \$25,000 charge was made on January 7, 1964, against the account at the First National Bank of *105-8255C*

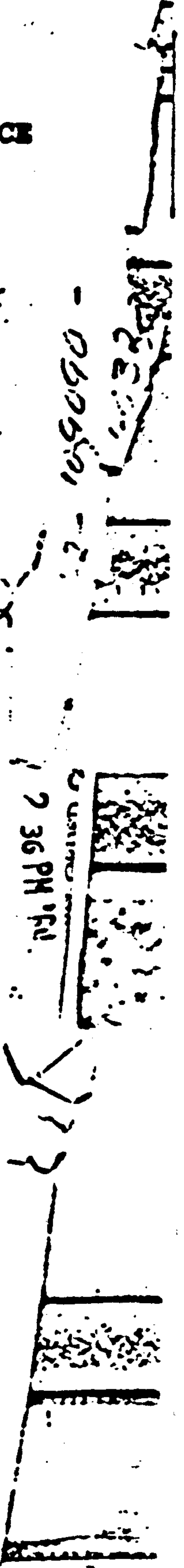
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Honorable J. Lee Rankin

Grand Prairie, Grand Prairie, Texas, entitled "The Oswald Trust Fund." This account was opened on December 5, 1963, by James H. Martin and Marina N. Oswald.

For your information, we are conducting additional investigation concerning this \$25,000 charge against the account in question. We are attempting to determine whether this sum of money was deposited by Marina Oswald and/or James H. Martin in another account or in another bank. Results of such investigation will be furnished to the Commission upon receipt.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

Enclosures (6)

NOTE: At the request of the President's Commission we have made an exhaustive survey of banks in each of the cities mentioned herein in an attempt to locate a safe-deposit box Oswald may have rented. Our investigation failed to disclose that Oswald rented such a deposit box; however, his mother rented a safe-deposit box in Fort Worth, Texas, 12-26-63, and such data is reported in the 4-21-64 Dallas memorandum which is being furnished to the Commission herewith. There was a large withdrawal of \$25,000 from one account opened by Marina Oswald and Martin which is currently unexplained. Dallas, has been instructed to run this lead out and furnish results in order that such data can be disseminated to the President's Commission. The enclosures herewith have been read by Mr. Belmon and Mr. Malley.

FEDERAL COMMISSION
ON THE
ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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JOHN J. MOHR
ALLAN W. MULLER

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Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation
Department of Justice
Washington, D. C. 20535

Dear Mr. Hoover:

While Messrs. William T. Coleman, Jr., Howard P. Willens and W. David Slavson of the Commission staff were in Mexico recently they discussed with your representatives additional investigation in Mexico which would be of assistance to the Commission. This letter is in confirmation of those discussions.

We requested further investigation along the following lines:

1. Contact is to be maintained with the Mexican authorities to ascertain whether Albert Alexander Osborne, also known as John Howard Bowen, will be available on reasonably short notice should the Commission decide to request his voluntary or involuntary appearance for the taking of testimony. We would like to be advised whether Mr. Osborne has been placed on a "two-week reporting schedule" by the responsible Mexican authorities.
2. If possible, the actual time of arrival of the Flecha Roja bus in Mexico City on September 27 upon which Lee Harvey Oswald was riding, rather than its scheduled time of arrival, should be ascertained.
3. The Commission would like an itemized estimate of Lee Harvey Oswald's probable expenses in traveling to Mexico City from New Orleans, Louisiana, in staying in Mexico City, and in traveling back from Mexico City to Dallas, Texas. This estimate would include at least the following items:

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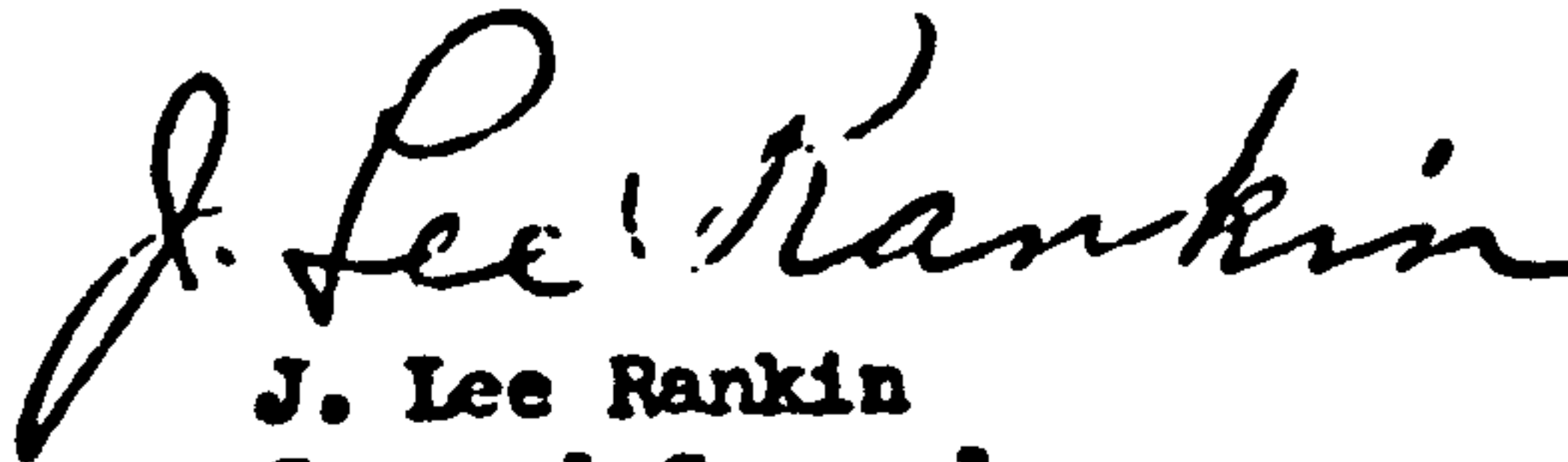
- a. Bus fare, both southbound and northbound, in Mexico and in the United States.
 - b. The additional fee paid to the travel agency, if any, for the northbound bus travel.
 - c. The cost of Oswald's room at the Hotel del Comercio.
 - d. The approximate cost of food, including food he ate while traveling by bus in Mexico.
 - e. The cost of a ticket to the bull fight for the section in which Oswald probably sat.
 - f. The cost, if any, of any visits to museums.
 - g. Various transportation costs by bus and/or taxicab incurred on the trips he probably made in Mexico City. (Our information is that he probably went from his hotel to the neighborhood of the Cuban and Soviet Embassies on two days, Friday and Saturday, September 27 and 28. In addition, he may have gone to the bull fight on Sunday, and we know that he was engaged in making travel arrangements at various bus stations and a travel agency on Monday, September 30.)
 - h. The cost of a local telephone call.
 - i. The cost of purchasing six picture postcards of the kind found in his possession after the assassination.
4. The Commission would like a large, clear map of Mexico City with the places visited by Oswald clearly identified thereon. In addition, if it is still convenient to do so, the Commission would like the location of the Hotel Cuba indicated on this map.
5. We would like a copy of the "dossier" on Lee Harvey Oswald furnished by the Bureau to Ambassador Thomas Mann shortly after the assassination.

6. Certain telephone numbers and addresses pertaining to Mexico City which were listed on the 47th page of Lee Harvey Oswald's address book were shown to a representative of the Bureau in Mexico City by representatives of the Commission. The Bureau representatives were requested to check whether the telephone numbers and addresses are in fact those of the Cuban and Soviet Consulates and/or Embassies and, if they are not, ascertain whose telephone numbers or addresses they are.

7. After discussing the matter with the Commission representatives while they were in Mexico City, the agents of the Bureau determined that there were two or three museums in Mexico City which Lee Harvey Oswald may have visited. They are to inquire at these places and attempt to obtain evidence of his visits there and all available information about any such visits.

On behalf of the Commission I would like to thank you for the cooperation extended to Messrs. Coleman, Slawson, and Willens during their visit to Mexico City. Based on the reports of these representatives, I am confident that this phase of the Commission's work will be satisfactorily completed in the near future.

Sincerely,



J. Lee Rankin
General Counsel

4/30/64

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TO LEGAT MEXICO CITY (105-3702)

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FROM DIRECTOR FBI (105-82555) — 3490

LEE HARVEY OSWALD, IS - R - CUBA.

BY APRIL TWENTY-FOUR LAST LETTER IN CONFIRMATION OF DISCUSSIONS BETWEEN MEMBERS OF PRESIDENT'S COMMISSION STAFF AND REPRESENTATIVES OF YOUR OFFICE, THE COMMISSION REQUESTED FOLLOWING INVESTIGATION: PAREN ONE END PAREN CONTACT BE MAINTAINED WITH MEXICAN AUTHORITIES TO ASCERTAIN IF ALBERT OSBORNE WILL BE AVAILABLE ON REASONABLY SHORT NOTICE SHOULD COMMISSION DECIDE TO REQUEST HIS APPEARANCE FOR TESTIMONY. IN THIS REGARD ADVISE WHETHER OSBORNE HAS BEEN PLACED ON A QUOTE TWO-WEEK REPORTING SCHEDULE UNQUOTE BY THE RESPONSIBLE MEXICAN AUTHORITIES. PAREN TWO END PAREN THE ACTUAL DATE OF ARRIVAL OF FLECHA ROJA BUS IN MEXICO CITY ON SEPTEMBER TWENTY-SEVEN LAST, RATHER THAN ITS SCHEDULED TIME OF ARRIVAL. PAREN THREE END PAREN ITEMIZED ESTIMATE OF OSWALD'S PROBABLE EXPENSES IN TRAVELING TO MEXICO CITY FROM NEW ORLEANS, IN STAYING IN MEXICO CITY AND IN TRAVELING TO DALLAS. THE SPECIFIC ITEMS SOUGHT HAVE BEEN COVERED IN YOUR APRIL TWENTY-TWO LAST LETTERHEAD, EXCEPT BUS FARE FROM NEW ORLEANS TO LAREDO. LATTER ITEM WILL BE HANDLED BY BUREAU.

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CABLEGRAM TO MEXICO CITY
RE: LEE HARVEY OSWALD
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PAREN FOUR END PAREN LARGE CLEAR MAP OF MEXICO CITY WITH PLACES VISITED BY OSWALD IDENTIFIED. ALSO INDICATE ON MAP LOCATION OF HOTEL CUBA. PAREN FIVE END PAREN COPY OF THE QUOTE DOSSIER UNQUOTE ON OSWALD FURNISHED TO AMBASSADOR THOMAS MANN/SHORTLY BY BUREAU AFTER ASSASSINATION. PAREN SIX END PAREN CHECK OF THE TELEPHONE NUMBERS AND ADDRESSES ON PAGE FORTY-SEVEN OF OSWALD'S ADDRESS BOOK WHICH WERE DISPLAYED TO BUREAU AGENT, MEXICO CITY, BY COMMISSION REPRESENTATIVE, TO ASCERTAIN IF NUMBERS ARE, IN FACT, THOSE OF CUBAN AND SOVIET CONSULATES AND/OR EMBASSIES AND, IF NOT, INQUIRE TO ASCERTAIN WHOSE NUMBERS AND ADDRESSES THEY ARE. PAREN SEVEN END PAREN CHECK AT MUSEUMS IN MEXICO WHERE OSWALD MAY HAVE VISITED TO OBTAIN ANY AVAILABLE EVIDENCE OF SUCH VISITS AND ALL INFORMATION RELATIVE THERETO. REQUESTS IN COMMISSION'S APRIL TWENTY-FOUR LAST LETTER ARE, IN PART, AT VARIANCE WITH ORAL REQUESTS YOU DESCRIBED IN YOUR CABLE NUMBER FIVE FOUR FOUR. COMPLY WITH ABOVE REQUESTS AND REQUESTS IN YOUR CABLE FIVE FOUR FOUR, EXCEPT THE INQUIRY CONCERNING ANALYSIS OF WORKING HOURS OF CUBAN AND SOVIET CONSULATES AND OPERATING PROCEDURES IN OBTAINING CUBAN TRANSIT VISAS, IN WHICH REGARD COMMISSION HAS BEEN REFERRED TO CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY. ADVISE SPECIFICALLY AS TO EXACTLY WHAT MATERIAL WAS GIVEN TO AMBASSADOR MANN AND FURNISH

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RE: LEE HARVEY OSWALD
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COPY THEREOF. ALSO ADVISE AS TO EFFORTS TO LOCATE ALBERT
OSBORNE AND WHETHER OR NOT HE HAS BEEN PLACED ON QUOTE TWO-
WEEK REPORTING SCHEDULE UNQUOTE BY MEXICANS. DALLAS BEING
ADVISED BY MAIL.

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MR. TROTT
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1 - Mr. Stokes
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TO LEGAL ATTACHE MEXICO (105-3702)
FROM DIRECTOR FBI (105-82555)

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LEE HARVEY OSWALD, IS - R - CURA. REUR LETTERHEAD APRIL
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AT BUREAU TO FURTHER PROTECT SOURCES AND COPY OF WHICH HAS BEEN
FURNISHED TO YOU.

DESPITE THE OBJECTIONS VOICED IN YOUR APRIL NINE AIRTEL
TO INTERVIEW OF SMALL BY MEXICAN OR AMERICAN OFFICIALS, IT IS
POSSIBLE THAT COMMISSION MAY DESIRE SMALL BE INTERVIEWED.
CAREFULLY CONSIDER THIS AND SUBMIT YOUR OPINION AS TO BEST
MANNER IN WHICH SUCH INTERVIEW COULD BE HANDLED CONSISTENT WITH
PROTECTING YOUR SOURCES. IN VIEW OF COMMENTS OF YOUR SOURCES
AS SET FORTH IN RE LETTERHEAD, IT IS DESIRED THAT YOU REVIEW YOUR
FILE ON SMALL AND CHECK RECORDS MEXICAN IMMIGRATION SERVICE
TO DETERMINE SMALL'S ALIEN STATUS IN MEXICO AND TO DEVELOP
SPECIFIC INFORMATION AS TO DATE HE DEPARTED NEW YORK IN
SEPTEMBER, SIXTY THREE, AND DATE HE RETURNED TO MEXICO CITY.

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Date: 4/17/64

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (105-82555)
FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (105-38431)
SUBJECT: LEE HARVEY OSWALD
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Re WFO airtel to Bureau with enclosed LHM,
dated 4/6/64.

For the information of Legat, BARRY GRAY,
Radio Commentator, Station WMCA, NYC, made a comment
during his radio program on 2/6/64, to the effect that
a source, described as a responsible newsman, had
informed GRAY that he the source, was working on a
story about LEE HARVEY OSWALD, having been trained in
Russia by a Soviet group which was anti-KHRUSHCHEV
and pro-Chinese.

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On 4/17/64, BARRY GRAY advised SAS of the NYO
that he recalls making the above mentioned comment
and stated that his source was SERGE FLEIGERS, European
Correspondent for Hearst Publications, "NY Journal
American" newspaper. He stated that on 1/16/64,
while in conversation with FLEIGERS and one LESTER
FELDSHON, described as a NYC realtor and acquaintance

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of FLEIGERS, FLEIGER stated that there was a pro-Chinese anti-KHRUSHCHEV group in the Soviet Union that were not in accord with KHRUSHCHEV's "coexistence" policy and had trained OSWALD for the assassination of the President in an effort to bring KHRUSHCHEV into line. He stated that he did not ask FLEIGERS where he had obtained this information nor did FLEIGERS state his source, however, GRAY added that FLEIGERS appeared categorical as to the reliability of this statement.

GRAY stated he asked FLEIGERS what he was going to do with this information and FLEIGERS replied that he had prepared a story concerning this information but that the Hearst publications would not let it be published.

GRAY voluntarily remarked that he personally gives more credence to the idea of a "plot" behind the assassination as related by FLEIGERS, than to the idea that OSWALD committed the act himself. He added, however, that he has no basis in fact, whatsoever, for his belief but that it is merely his personal opinion.

GRAY appeared very cooperative during the interview.

On 4/17/64, in an effort to locate the present address of correspondent SERGE FLEIGERS, SA FRANCIS J. O'BRIEN telephonically contacted [REDACTED] "NY Journal American" newspaper, NYC, who has been in contact with the NYO in the past. BRIGHAM advised that FLEIGERS' present address is in care of Press Wireless, 8 Rue Edward VII, Paris 9, France. [REDACTED] added that it is the opinion of responsible individuals at the "New York Journal American" that FLEIGERS is "one of the biggest fakers in the business and anything he says has to be taken with a large grain of salt".

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NYO will not contact LESTER FELDSHON, NYC Realtor, who was present with FELDSHON made his comment re subject, inasmuch as FELDSHON does not appear to be in a position to furnish any information concerning subject or his activities.

The above information will be submitted to the Bureau in LHM form suitable for dissemination.

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LEGAT, PARIS

AT PARIS, FRANCE. Will, UACB locate and interview SERGE FELDSOHN care of Press Wireless, 8 Rue Edward VII, concerning his statement that subject was trained in Russia by anti-KHRUSHCHEV pro-Chinese group.

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TO : Mr. Belmont

DATE: 4/17/64

FROM : A. Rossi *[Signature]*

SUBJECT: LEE HARVEY OSWALD
INTERNAL SECURITY - RUSSIA - CUBA

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By memorandum dated 4/15/64 it was recommended that Mr. J. Lee Rankin of the President's Commission be contacted to discuss with him the contents of a classified report which, if utilized by the President's Commission in questioning certain Communist Party officials in New York, might uncover valuable informants of the Bureau.

Malley today telephonically discussed this matter with Mr. Rankin who is in New York. Mr. Rankin was advised the Bureau would defer to the judgment of the Commission as to whether they desired to utilize this material in questioning the Communist Party functionaries. Mr. Rankin was most appreciative and stated he fully realized the report was marked "Confidential" and would attempt to handle the matter in such a way that it would not interfere in any way with Bureau operations.

Submitted for information.

- 1 - Mr. Sullivan
- 1 - Mr. Branigan

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TO : Mr. W. C. Sullivan
FROM : Mr. W. A. Branigan

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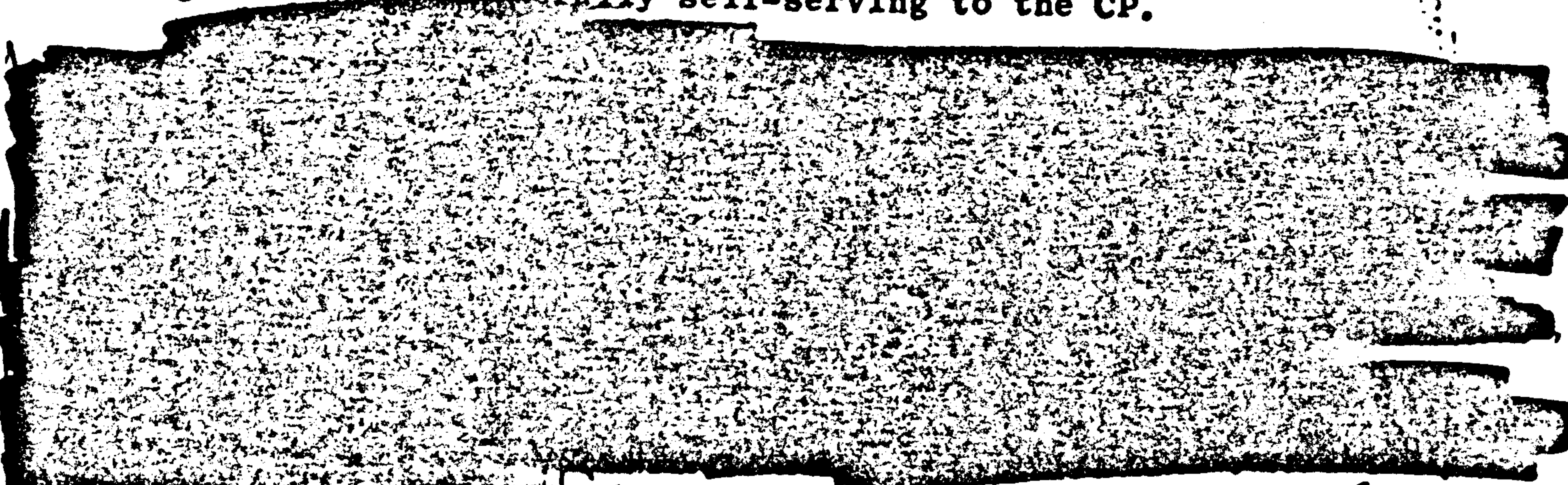
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INTERNAL SECURITY - RUSSIA

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On 4-15-64 Inspector Malley received a call from Lee Rankin in New York City. It will be noted that on 4-17-64 the Commission contemplates interrogating functionaries of the Communist Party (CP) in New York concerning their knowledge of Oswald.

Mr. Rankin made reference to the report of Special Agent Thomas P. Estep dated 12-18-63 at Cincinnati, Ohio. Mr. Rankin noted that the report referred to a meeting which occurred at Wheeling, West Virginia, on 12-8-63. Mr. Rankin noted that the report was marked "Confidential" and he wanted to know if, in talking to CP people, it would be satisfactory for him to ask questions concerning the details of the meeting without interfering with any of our operations.

The report in question contains information furnished by Confidential Informant [redacted] who advised that Arnold Johnson of New York City, public relations man for the CP, gave a talk dealing with the assassination of President Kennedy. The information, while helpful, does not add anything of particular significance to the Oswald investigation and is generally self-serving to the CP.



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Memorandum to Mr. Sullivan
Re: Lee Harvey Oswald

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It would be highly undesirable for the Commission to question CP functionaries concerning the particular meeting. Questioning would not add to the investigation of the President's assassination and could only lead to uncovering valuable informants who are enabling us to stay abreast of CP activities in their particular locality.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is, therefore, recommended that Inspector Malley tactfully advise Mr. Rankin that any reference to this particular meeting or the contents of our classified report would tend to uncover valuable informants of the Bureau.

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Memorandum

TO : MR. SULLIVAN

FROM : MR. BRANIGAN

SUBJECT: LEE HARVEY OSWALD
INTERNAL SECURITY - RUSSIA - CUBA

- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. Rosen
- 1 - Mr. Conrad
- DATE: 4-14-64
- 1 - Mr. Sullivan
- 1 - Mr. Malley
- 1 - Mr. Jevons
- 1 - Mr. Frazier
- 1 - Mr. Lenihan
- 1 - Mr. Branigan

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W. J. Liebeler

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Mr. Wesley J. Liebeler called Inspector Malley 4-13-64 and inquired concerning the location of the original documents and material turned over to the Bureau by representatives of the Communist Party (CP), the Socialist Workers Party (SWP) and the Fair Play for Cuba Committee (FPCC).

On 4-14-64 I called Mr. Liebeler and referred him to the Bureau's letter to Mr. Rankin of 1-30-64. I pointed out that the original material furnished to the Bureau by Mr. Vincent T. Lee, National Director of the FPCC, was in the Bureau's possession. Mr. Liebeler requested that the Bureau furnish the President's Commission to his attention, the original of this material, stating that he expected to subpoena Lee and would want Lee to initial the material sent by Oswald to the FPCC as a permanent exhibit of the Commission's inquiry.

With respect to the material in possession of the SWP, I advised Mr. Liebeler that as described in our letter of 1-30-64, representatives of this Party refused to deliver any material to the FBI and indicated that it would be made available to the President's Commission upon forwarding a letter to the proper SWP representative.

As to material furnished by the CP, Mr. Liebeler was advised that the original of this material had been furnished to the Commission by Bureau letter 2-6-64 and this had been acknowledged by the Commission's letter to the Bureau of 2-11-64. Mr. Liebeler stated he would look in his files for this material.

In addition, Mr. Liebeler made reference to the report of SA Richard Kessler at Charlotte, North Carolina, 12-18-63, in the Oswald investigation. Therein was set forth a description of certain material which had been turned over by the SWP to the Duke University. Mr. Liebeler noted that the original of this material is.

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. SULLIVAN
RE: LEE HARVEY OSWALD

still in the possession of Duke University and it was indicated in the report that the Bureau had Photostats of this material. The report itself merely contains a typed copy of the material. Liebeler requested that the Bureau furnish him with the Photostats that we are supposed to presently have.

Liebeler also made reference to the report of SA John James O'Flaherty 12-17-63, New York City. According to Liebeler the Bureau was furnished the original of the New York Department of Welfare file on Oswald. Liebeler requested that he be furnished the original documents.

Liebeler also made reference to the report of SA Robert P. Gemberling 1-7-64, pages 386 to 389 in which we inventory the original effects of Lee Harvey Oswald, particularly pertaining to the correspondence sent to him by the CP, FPCC and SWP. Mr. Liebeler requested that the Commission be furnished the originals of such documents inventoried in the report of SA Gemberling. It was suggested to Mr. Liebeler that since he was requesting original documents of the Bureau that he should make his request in a written communication and this he agreed to do. However, he stated that he would like the material before 4-15-64.

ACTION:

This is an extremely short deadline to assemble the material in question but we will do the best that we can and an appropriate communication will be prepared for the Commission forwarding the requested material.

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is not giving
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Take our time. They
are unreasonable &
presumptious.

- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. Rosen
- 1 - Mr. Sullivan
- 1 - Mr. Lenihan, 645 RB
- 1 - Mr. Rogge, 5730
- 1 - Mr. Conrad
- 1 - Mr. Griffith
- 1 - Mr. Cadigan

April 29, 1964

By Courier Service

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

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Lee Harvey Oswald

Dear Mr. Rankin:

On April 20, 1964, Mr. Melvin Eisenberg, of your staff, delivered to a representative of the FBI Laboratory a Marine Corps Certificate of Service in the name Alek James Hidell, which has been designated as FBI Exhibit D-206, and a photograph of a Selective Service System Notice of Classification in the name Alek James Hidell, which has been designated as FBI Exhibit D-207. Mr. Eisenberg requested that these two exhibits be examined to determine if they were forgeries.

On April 28, 1964, Mr. Eisenberg delivered to the FBI Laboratory a group of negatives, designated as FBI Exhibit D-44, and Oswald's wallet and contents, designated as Item B-1, for use in connection with the examination of Exhibits D-206 and D-207.

Based upon an examination of the photographs, D-206 and D-207, it was concluded that both of these exhibits are fraudulent and counterfeit reproductions made from photographic negatives contained in Exhibit D-44 which, in turn, were made from genuine cards issued to Lee Harvey Oswald and contained in his wallet, Item B-1.

Also, on April 28, 1964, Mr. Eisenberg delivered to the Laboratory a photograph of a "Fair Play for Cuba Committee" membership card dated June 15, 1963, bearing the signature "A. J. Hidell." This photograph was compared with the original card contained in Oswald's wallet, Item B-1. The original card

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(See note page 2)

Honorable J. Lee Rankin

in Oswald's wallet had been treated for latent fingerprints and due to this treatment the signature "A. J. Hidell" is no longer visible. The examination of the photograph submitted reveals that this is a photograph of the original in the wallet before treatment for latent fingerprints.

Exhibits D-206, D-207, B-1, D-44 and the photograph of the "Fair Play for Cuba Committee" membership card will be delivered to Mr. Eisenberg on April 30, 1964, by Special Agent James C. Cadigan.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

Note: It should be noted that SA James C. Cadigan is scheduled to testify before the Commission Thursday, 4/30/64 and his testimony will include the above reported examination findings.

~~WDG~~ mb

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. Belmont

DATE: April 29, 1964

FROM : A. Rosen

SUBJECT: LEE HARVEY OSWALD
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With reference to the three Agents who will appear before the President's Commission to give testimony relative to the captioned case, Mr. Howard Willens called Malley and advised that he would like to have a rather detailed discussion relative to the testimony to be obtained from the three Agents on May 4 + 5, 1964.

When questioned as to the nature of the conference that was desired, Willens stated that he and Samuel Alan Stern would probably be handling the questioning and that he realized there were some areas which could possibly be "a little ticklish" where the Bureau is concerned. When asked to explain this, he said he was referring to over-all Bureau policies where he did not feel that the Agents that were being called in for testimony would be in a position to answer and, for this reason, he desired a conference to explore these matters so that the Agents would not be placed in a position of being asked questions they were not able to answer. He further stated that he desired to discuss this matter so that if it were necessary to have some representative of the Bureau to officially answer such questions consideration could be given as to the proper person from the Bureau to testify before the Commission.

Inasmuch as it is believed the line of questioning will deal with policies of the Domestic Intelligence Division, it appears desirable that a representative from the Domestic Intelligence Division accompany Malley to the conference to be held sometime during the day of April 30, 1964.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Assistant Director Sullivan accompany Malley on the above-mentioned conference, the time of which will be decided in the early a. m. of April 30, 1964.

- 1 - Mr. Sullivan
- 1 - Mr. Branigan

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10-50 AM URGENT 4-29-64 LJT

TO DIRECTOR

FROM HOUSTON (105-1291) TWO PAGES

LEE HARVEY OSWALD, IS-R-CUBA.

RE BUREAU TELETYPE DATED FOUR TWENTY EIGHT LAST.

RETIRED SA JOHN W. FAIN CONTACTED ON FOUR TWENTY NINE INSTANT AND EXPRESSED WILLINGNESS TO APPEAR BEFORE PRESIDENT'S COMMISSION ON MAY FOUR - MAY FIVE NEXT. FAIN WILL REPORT TO INSPECTOR MALLEY BY EIGHT AM MAY FOUR NEXT AS REQUESTED.

FAIN HAS RESERVATIONS TO DEPART HOUSTON ELEVEN FIFTEEN AM MAY THREE NEXT VIA BRANIFF FLIGHT FIVE EIGHT, CONNECTING AT DALLAS WITH BRANIFF FLIGHT ONE ONE ZERO. HE WILL ACCOMPANY SA JAMES P. HOSTY, JR, FROM DALLAS TO WASHINGTON DEPARTING DALLAS TWO THIRTY PM MAY THREE ON BRANIFF FLIGHT ONE ONE ZERO, ARRIVING WASHINGTON NATIONAL AIRPORT EIGHT PM SAME DATE.

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Date: 4/23/64 REC 30

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TO DIRECTOR FBI (105-82555)
ATTENTION: FBI LABORATORY

FROM SAC DALLAS (100-10461)

SUBJECT LEE HARVEY OSWALD, aka
IS - R - CUBA

Handwritten signatures and initials: J. J. Conrad, L. J. [unclear], W. [unclear]

Vertical handwritten note: No Lab report

Enclosed herewith for the FBI Laboratory is one "Time" magazine, Volume 81, No. 25, dated 6/21/63, with the printed label addressed to LEE H. OSWALD, Box 2915, Dallas 21, Texas. No examination of this magazine is requested of the FBI Laboratory. It is being submitted in the event the Bureau desires to make it available to the President's Commission.

On 4/20/64, Miss FRANCES BLANTON, 6619 Ascot Lane, Dallas, Texas, who is employed as a bookkeeper at the North Haven Gardens, 7700 Northaven Road, Dallas, Texas, telephonically advised she had been sorting out some old magazines at her residence and came upon "Time" magazine issue of 6/21/63 which bore the address label LEE H. OSWALD, Box 2915, Dallas 21, Texas.

Miss BLANTON stated she had received this "Time" magazine sometime in approximately the latter part of June, 1963, from GONZALO ANCIRA with whom she was working at the time at the Wade Corporation, Hartford Building, Dallas, Texas. She said ANCIRA has made frequent travels to Mexico and on the date of the assassination of President KENNEDY she asked ANCIRA if he was going to watch the Presidential motorcade to which ANCIRA replied "He's not my President" or words to that effect. Miss BLANTON also stated that for approximately two weeks immediately after the assassination ANCIRA disappeared from Dallas for reasons unknown to her.

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Special Agent in Charge

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On 4/22/64, VERNON A. LABENSKI, Assistant Superintendent, Main Office, U. S Post Office, delivery, distribution, and window service, Dallas, Texas, advised that Post Office Box 2915 was rented by LEE H. OSWALD from 10/9/62 to 5/14/63. He stated on 5/20/63 GONZALO ANCIRA rented Post Office Box 2915 and presently holds this box.

On 4/22/64, Miss FRANCES BLANTON furnished the 6/21/63 issue of "Time" magazine mentioned above which bears a label with the following printing:

"DEC 63 OWA 9991SL97T78 03 21
LEE H. OSWALD
BOX 2915
DALLAS 21, TEX"

Regarding this magazine, Miss BLANTON stated that in the latter part of June, 1963, she was in GONZALO ANCIRA's office in the Hartford Building, Dallas, Texas, and among the mail on his desk was this issue of "Time" magazine. She said she checked the magazine cover and noticed it contained an article concerning MEDGAR EVERS which she was interested in reading. She said she asked ANCIRA if she could take the magazine home with her and he said that it did not belong to him. He requested that she give the magazine to him and when she did, he, with ink, scratched through the name and address appearing on the label on the magazine. She said he then handed the magazine back to her and she took the magazine home to read. On the following day, Miss BLANTON stated ANCIRA asked for the magazine and she informed him she had left it at home and he told her it would be all right for her to keep it.

Miss BLANTON said on Sunday, 4/19/64, she was sorting through some old magazines and noticed that the above magazine was addressed to LEE H. OSWALD. She said it was at this time she decided to furnish this information to the FBI.

On 4/22/64, ~~GONZALO~~ ANCIRA, Room 1305, Hartford Building, Dallas, Texas, advised he is self-employed as a consulting engineer

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- 2 - Sabinos Hidalgo,
Nuevo Leon, Mexico

with offices adjacent to the Wade Corporation, and resides at 1803 Cooper Drive, Irving, Texas. ANCIRA said he was born 12/15/29 at Sabinas Hidalgo, Nuevo Leon, Mexico, and stated he is a citizen of Mexico. He said he attended Southern Methodist University and that his wife and three children are American citizens.

ANCIRA said he obtained Post Office Box 2915 at the Main Post Office, Dallas, Texas, on 5/20/63. He said up until the assassination of President KENNEDY there was placed in his box mail addressed to LEE H. OSWALD. He said most of this mail consisted of what appeared to be foreign periodicals originating from Russia. ANCIRA said he would mark through the address and note on this mail that it was not for this box and would then return it to the mail drop in the Post Office.

Regarding the above issue of "Time" magazine, ANCIRA said he cannot specifically recall the incident. He stated however that it appeared that he did scratch through the name and address appearing on the label because this is the way he usually marked the mail addressed to OSWALD which was placed in his box.

ANCIRA said he could not recall the names of any of the foreign publications or periodicals addressed to OSWALD which had been placed in his box. He advised he could not recall the names of any domestic publications or periodicals addressed to OSWALD which were placed in his box.

Regarding the statement allegedly attributed to him to the effect that he said when asked if he were intending to view the Presidential motorcade, "He's not my President," ANCIRA stated that inasmuch as he is a Mexican citizen he was simply referring to that fact without intending to disparage the President of the United States in any way whatsoever. ANCIRA said he did not view the motorcade and when he first heard of the assassination of President KENNEDY he was in front of the Southland Building and a passing motorist informed him that the President had been shot. ANCIRA returned immediately to his offices and subsequently learned over the radio of the death of President KENNEDY and he left the

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office at approximately 2:30 p.m. and while en route to his residence in Irving, Texas, he heard over the radio that one LEE HARVEY OSWALD was considered a suspect in the assassination. Recalling the previous boxholder of Box 2915 through which he had been receiving mail, he immediately returned to the Hartford Building intending to notify the appropriate authorities of this fact and located a uniformed police officer near the building and advised this officer of this fact. He accompanied the officer to the Main Post Office and after verifying the previous boxholder to be LEE H. OSWALD, the officer telephoned his headquarters.

ANCIRA advised further that he is the owner of an 18,000 acre cattle ranch in the state of Nuevo Leon, Mexico, and is required to make frequent business trips to that property and as a result intended to visit the ranch the weekend of 11/23-24/63. Following the assassination of the President, however, he learned the United States-Mexican border was closed on Saturday, 11/23/63. He, therefore, delayed his departure until Sunday, 11/24/63, at which time he departed for Mexico with his wife and three children. While en route to Laredo, Texas, he learned via radio broadcast of the killing of LEE HARVEY OSWALD, Sunday, 11/24/63. He advised that per his usual schedule he remained in Mexico for four to five days before returning to his home in Irving, Texas.

ANCIRA stated he was not acquainted with LEE HARVEY OSWALD or JACK RUBY and to his knowledge had no contact with either.

Complete results of above interviews will be incorporated into next Dallas report.

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Date: 4/28/64

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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (105-82555)
ATTN: CRIMINAL SECTION
FROM: SAC, NEW ORLEANS (100-16601) (P)

J.R. McLaughlin

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LEE HARVEY OSWALD
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Re BuAirtel, 4/22/64, captioned as above.

Personnel at laundry and dry cleaning establishments in area of OSWALD's former residence, 4907 Magazine St., New Orleans, have been contacted and exhibited photographs of laundry mark and dry cleaning tag on jacket identified as being owned by OSWALD and designated by the ~~laundry~~ as K-42.

Persons contacted advised that laundry mark and dry cleaning tag not made by their establishments and could offer no suggestion as to which laundry or dry cleaning establishment in the New Orleans area would use such a marking system.

Mrs. MAMIE CLARK, Clerk, Rex Cleaners, 4846 Magazine, advised that although she could not identify the laundry or dry cleaning marks, she recalled a woman later identified as Mrs. LEE OSWALD from photographs appearing in the press and on television, used to bring shirts to the Rex Cleaners occasionally for laundering.

- ③ - Bureau (RM)
- 1 - Dallas (100-10461) (RM)
- 2 - New Orleans

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She recalled Mrs. OSWALD was unable to speak English and when she brought the shirts to the cleaners, Mrs. OSWALD would have her address written on a small piece of paper which she would give to CLARK, along with the shirts. CLARK recalled Mrs. OSWALD was always accompanied by a small child and that LEE HARVEY OSWALD, to her knowledge, never personally came to the Rex Cleaners, although she did recall seeing him walking along Magazine St. on several occasions accompanied by a small child.

The New Orleans Police Department does not maintain a central file on laundry or dry cleaning marks.

Contact has been had with a dealer in laundry supplies and also a dealer in laundry machines in the New Orleans area; however, no information was obtained regarding the laundry mark or dry cleaning tag.

For the information of the Bureau, there are in excess of 350 laundry and dry cleaning establishments in the New Orleans area and to date, 70 of these establishments have been contacted. Additional personnel are being assigned to this project so that the remaining establishments can be contacted as soon as possible, and it is anticipated that this project will be completed by May 6, 1964.

AIRTEL

To: Director, FBI (105-82555)

Date: 4/28/64

From: Legat, Mexico (105-3702) (P)

Subject: LEE HARVEY OSWALD
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Re Mexico City letter to the Bureau and letter-head memorandum dated 4/7/64.

For the information of the Houston office, OSWALD is believed to have traveled under the name H. O. LEE from Mexico City to Laredo, Texas, via buses of the Transportes del Norte bus company. He left Mexico City at 8:30 a.m. on October 2, 1963, on board bus No. 332, which required a change at Monterrey to Transportes del Norte bus No. 373. He arrived at Laredo, Texas, at approximately 2:00 a.m. on the morning of October 3, 1963. He was assigned seat No. 12, a window seat located four rows from the front on the driver's side. It is believed he departed Laredo at 3:00 a.m. on October 3, 1963, on a Greyhound bus en route to Dallas, Texas, via San Antonio.

One of the passengers who boarded bus No. 332 at Mexico City and continued the trip to Laredo, also boarding the Greyhound bus which departed Laredo at 3:00 a.m. on October 3, 1963, for the trip north, has identified profile photographs of OSWALD as being of an American youth, whom he recalled for the first time as having boarded bus No. 373 in Monterrey. He also recalled the American youth boarding the bus at Nuevo Laredo, Tamaulipas, Mexico, after the stop there and prior to its crossing the International Bridge into Laredo.

This passenger, ANASTASIO RUIZ MEZA, who is a resident of Mexico City and who was seated in seat No. 15

- 9 - Bureau
- (1 - Liaison Section)
- (2 - Dallas, 100-10461)
- (2 - Houston, 105-1291)
- (1 - San Antonio, 105-2909) (Info.)
- 1 - Mexico City

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On bus No. 332, upon interview on April 5, 1964, furnished some detail regarding other passengers he recalled being on the bus. He remembered that seated directly in front of him (seat No. 11) was an individual he believed to be a Mexican, who was traveling to Houston, Texas, and left the bus at San Antonio, Texas; however, he could furnish no information as to whether this person is a resident of Mexico or the United States. (The Transportes del Norte manifest for bus No. 332, which departed Mexico City on October 2, 1963, lists space for one AUGUSTO AGUILAR in seat No. 11, which is the seat located directly in front of seat No. 15. AGUILAR's destination is listed as Houston.)

Upon reinterview on April 27, 1964, RUIZ MEZA advised he recalled that the person who had been seated in front of him and who may be identical with AUGUSTO AGUILAR was going to a Protestant religious convention which was being held in Houston. He stated that on occasion during the trip this individual was reading a Bible. RUIZ MEZA described the person as being about 44 years of age, with black hair, balding at the crown, five feet six inches in height, weighing about 185 pounds, of stocky build and dark complexion. Upon further reflection, RUIZ MEZA stated that he believed this person resided in Mexico City but added that he was not certain.

Efforts to identify AUGUSTO AGUILAR and several other passengers on bus No. 332 have been unsuccessful to date. Efforts are continuing to identify other bus passengers who may be in a position to furnish information regarding OSWALD and to further confirm OSWALD's mode of travel upon departure from Mexico in October, 1963.

LEADS

HOUSTON OFFICE

At Houston, Texas

Through appropriate Mexican-American sources, will attempt to ascertain whether or not there may have been a

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Protestant religious convention in Houston during early October, 1963, and if so determined, will make efforts to learn whether AUGUSTO AGUILAR was in attendance and thereafter obtain information which would aid in locating him for interview regarding this matter.

MEXICO CITY OFFICE

At Mexico, D. F., Mexico

Will continue efforts to identify other still-
unidentified passengers on the afore-mentioned bus trip from
Mexico City to Laredo.

COPIES

Two copies of this communication have been designated
for the Dallas Office, which is the domestic office of origin
in this matter.

One copy is being furnished for the information of
the San Antonio Office, which has conducted extensive inves-
tigation regarding the travel phase of this investigation.

THIS SERIAL HAS BEEN REFERRED TO
ANOTHER AGENCY AND IS IN A PENDING STATUS:

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 TO DIRECTOR
 FROM LEGAT MEXICO CITY NO. 589

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BUFILE 105-82555. LEE HARVEY OSWALD IS - R - CUBA.
 FOLLOWING IS DAILY SUMMARY. RE INFORMANT COVERAGE BY LEGAT
 OFFICE SUBSEQUENT TO ASSASSINATION. AIRTEL REPORTING RECENT
 CONTACTS WITH KEY SECURITY AND INVESTIGATIVE INFORMANTS
 SUBMITTED TODAY'S POUCH.

RE MEXICAN IMMIGRATION RECORDS OF PERSONS ENTERING AND
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 OF IMMIGRATION TRAVEL CONTROL HAS LOCATED ADDITIONAL FM-11
 FORMS AND COMPILATION TO DATE REFLECTS 27 DEPARTURES ON
 OCTOBER 3 AND 46 ENTRIES ON SEPTEMBER 26 IN ADDITION TO
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ADDITIONAL SUMMARY TOMORROW.

CLARK D. ANDERSON

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1 - Mr. Belmont; 1 - Mr. Rosen; 1 - Mr. Sullivan; 1 - Mr. Malley;
1 - Mr. Branigan; 1 - Liaison; 1 - Mr. Papich; 1 - Mr. Lenihan;
1 - Mr. Goble

(S) 105-82555

Date: April 30, 1964

To: Director
Central Intelligence Agency

BY LIAISON

Attention: Deputy Director, Plans

From: John Edgar Hoover, Director

Subject: LEE HARVEY OSWALD
INTERNAL SECURITY - RUSSIA - CUBA

*100 J. Creditor
5/1/64
P.D.*

There are enclosed two copies of a memorandum captioned [REDACTED] dated April 17, 1964, for your information.

This memorandum has been furnished to the President's Commission on the Assassination of President Kennedy at which time it was pointed out to the Commission that it might wish to contact the Central Intelligence Agency for further information about Mr. and Mrs. [REDACTED]

Enclosures (2)

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NOTE: CIA has information in its files re Mr. and Mrs. [REDACTED] which it may disseminate to the Commission.

Mr. Tolson
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (105-82555)

YH FROM: SAC, EL PASO (105-1264) (P) ~~REC-20~~

RE: LEE HARVEY OSWALD
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OO: DALLAS

Re report of SA DAVID J. REID at El Paso dated 1/15/64 and report of SA GERALD J. FLYNN at Phoenix dated 4/2/64.

Records of Mexican Immigration Service, Juarez, Chihuahua, Mexico, checked and no information located regarding the issuance of a temporary visa by the Mexican Government to ROBERT J. KAYE.

Noted U. S. Secret Service, El Paso, advised that KAYE turned in his temporary visa issued by the Mexican Government under the name ROBERT J. KAYE, Juarez, Mexico, to the El Paso office of U. S. Secret Service on 11/24/63. This temporary visa was dated October 28, 1963, and contained the number 662282. This temporary visa was forwarded by the U. S. Secret Service to its headquarters in Washington,

- 3- Bureau (Reg. Mail)
- 2- Dallas (100-10461) (Reg. Mail)
- 2- WFO (105-37111) (Reg. Mail)
- 1- El Paso

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Approved: _____

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Special Agent in Charge

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D. C. and is contained in its file regarding KAYE,
U. S. Secret Service file #CO-2-34030.

LEADS

WASHINGTON FIELD:

AT WASHINGTON, D. C.:

Will obtain from the U. S. Secret Service file on ROBERT J. KAYE, U. S. Secret Service file #CO-2-34030, a copy of the above-mentioned temporary visa issued by the Mexican Government to KAYE and forward same to the El Paso office in order that additional investigation may be conducted regarding the issuance of this temporary visa to KAYE by the Mexican Government.

The Washington Field office is requested to expeditiously cover the above-mentioned lead in order that the investigation regarding KAYE's activities in Mexico may be brought to an early conclusion.

HOXIE.

Direct

Date 4/20/64

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Delinquent | <input type="checkbox"/> Search and return |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Discontinue | <input type="checkbox"/> See me |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Expedite | <input type="checkbox"/> Send Serials..... |
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Re Mexico City letter and LHM dated 4/23/64.

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Attached hereto are 16 copies of amended pages 8, ENCLOSURE

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Office.....Mexico City

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19, and 20 of LHM of reference and 10 copies of accompanying cover letter page 2. Amended pages are being submitted to make corrections and rectify an inadvertent omission with respect to the sources utilized.

Bureau is requested to insert the amended pages and/or forward copies thereof to offices for which copies of reference communications were designated.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT CONFIDENTIAL

MEMORANDUM

To: Director, FBI (105-82555)

Date: 4/23/64

From: Legat, Mexico (105-3702) (P)

Subject: LEE HARVEY OSWALD, aka
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ENCLOSURES

Enclosed herewith to the Bureau are sixteen (16) copies of a letterhead memorandum, dated and captioned as above.

REFERENCES

Bureau cables dated 4/20/64 and 4/15/64, and Mexico City cable dated 4/21/64.

ADMINISTRATIVE

The enclosed letterhead memorandum records the results of investigation by this office concerning all phases of OSWALD's residence at the Hotel del Comercio in Mexico City. On the basis of information in the enclosure, leads are being set out or investigation already has been undertaken to locate and interview other guests at the Hotel del Comercio during the same period as OSWALD's residence.

SOURCES

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 1 cc "El Paso"
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The first confidential source abroad, mentioned in the enclosure, is [SA ROLF L. LARSON]

The second confidential source abroad is [Legat] [CLARK D. ANDERSON]

The third confidential source abroad is [SA ROLAND E. TRENT]

The fourth confidential source abroad is [SA JOSEPH S. LEO]

CLASSIFICATION

The enclosed letterhead memorandum has been classified "CONFIDENTIAL" in order to protect the Bureau's foreign operations and investigative activity by Bureau personnel in connection with this case.

COPIES

Two copies of this letter and of the enclosed letterhead memorandum have been designated for the domestic office of origin, Dallas, and two copies thereof for the San Antonio Office in view of the possibility that leads may arise from information therein for investigation at Nuevo Laredo, Tamaulipas.

One copy of the enclosed letterhead memorandum has been disseminated to CIA, Mexico City.

LEADS

EL PASO OFFICE

At Ciudad Juarez and Ciudad Camargo,
Chihuahua, Mexico

Will endeavor to locate GABRIEL CONTRERAS, who was a guest at the Hotel del Comercio during the entire period

of OSWALD's residence and is reported to be engaged in the cotton seed oil business at Ciudad Juarez and to reside at Ciudad Camargo. If CONTRERAS is identified and located, he should be shown photographs of OSWALD and interviewed as to any recollection he may have of OSWALD at the Hotel del Comercio in Mexico City during the latter part of September and the early part of October, 1963.

MEXICO CITY OFFICE

At Mexico, D. F., Mexico

Will continue efforts to locate and interview ANTONIO OLIVA and his wife or paramour, with respect to their knowledge of OSWALD.

Will maintain contact with personnel at the Hotel del Comercio in an effort to further identify, locate and interview other guests at the Hotel del Comercio during the pertinent period.

At Chihuahua, Chihuahua, Mexico

Will endeavor to locate and interview FERNANDO VALENZUELA and RODOLFO RODRIGUEZ, who are reported to be employed by automobile agencies in that city as drivers of new automobiles from Mexico City to Chihuahua.

At Merida, Yucatan, Mexico

Will endeavor to locate and interview PEDRO QUIJANO and ANGELICA PEREYRA DE QUIJANO.

At Aguascalientes, Aguascalientes, Mexico

Will endeavor to locate and interview JOSE GAMES, who is believed to be a bus driver and may be employed by the "Estrella Blanca" bus line.

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At San Luis Potosi, San Luis Potosi, Mexico

At Calle Alvaro Obregon 500, room No. 20, will interview Captain CARLOS DOMINGUEZ, who was at the Hotel del Comercio on October 1, 1963, concerning his knowledge of OSWALD.

Will also endeavor to locate and interview FIDENCIO GARCIA, who was at the Hotel del Comercio on September 28, 1963.

At Torreon, Coahuila, Mexico

Will endeavor to locate and interview RAFAEL ROCHA, who was at the Hotel del Comercio on September 27, 1963, and is reported to be a professional driver who transports new automobiles from Mexico City to Torreon for an unidentified automobile agency.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
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WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

April 23, 1964

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LEE HARVEY OSWALD

HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS OF LEE
HARVEY OSWALD IN MEXICO CITY

On November 26, 1963, a confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that, following a check of the registration records of numerous middle and lower class hotels in the downtown area of Mexico City (also known as Mexico, D. F., the "D. F." referring to "Distrito Federal" - Federal District), he had ascertained that on September 27, 1963, LEE HARVEY OSWALD had registered at the Hotel del Comercio, located at Calle (Street) Bernardino de Sahagun No. 19 and approximately eight blocks from the commercial heart of the Mexican capital. The records disclosed that OSWALD was registered as the occupant of room No. 18 until October 1, 1963, and was deleted from the hotel guest list on October 2, 1963.

According to source, there were only three employees at the hotel, and some of them were able to recognize OSWALD's photograph as having been a guest at that establishment but could recall virtually no information concerning the circumstances relating thereto.

OSWALD'S REGISTRATION AT HOTEL

Photocopies of the registration records of the Hotel del Comercio, Calle Bernardino de Sahagun No. 19, Mexico, D. F., as made available by Lic. RAFAEL HERNANDEZ OCHA, Assistant Chief of the Mexican Department of Immigration, reflect that on September 27, 1963, OSWALD registered at that hotel as "LEE HARVEY OSWALD, USA, Texas, PHOTO, US citizen" and was assigned room No. 18.

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The owner and manager of the hotel, GUILLERMO GARCIA-LUNA, explained on March 3, 1964, that upon arrival a guest is required to register in his own handwriting; however, as long as he remains at the hotel thereafter, the name is transferred to the registration list for subsequent days by the manager or his assistant.

EXAMINATION OF HANDWRITING ON
HOTEL REGISTER BY FBI LABORATORY

On December 11, 1963, a photocopy of the above-described page of the Hotel del Comercio registration book was submitted to the FBI Laboratory for examination of the "LEE, HARVEY OSWALD" signature appearing thereon.

In a laboratory report dated December 18, 1963, the FBI Laboratory stated that examination of "Qc333, photocopy of page of registry book of Hotel del Comercio, Calle Sahagun 19, Mexico City, with signatures of guests registering on September 27, 1963, Line 18, bearing signature 'Lee Harvey Oswald'" had been made with the following result:

"It was concluded that the LEE HARVEY OSWALD signature on Line 18 of Qc333 was written by LEE HARVEY OSWALD, whose known writing appears on K4 and K5 in this case."

The information recorded hereinafter was furnished by a confidential source abroad:

IDENTITIES OF PERSONS AT HOTEL
DURING SAME PERIOD AS OSWALD

A review of copies of the pages of the Hotel del Comercio registration book for individuals who registered or remained at the hotel from September 26, 1963, through the night of October 1-2, 1963, revealed the following with respect to their names, city and state of origin, room or rooms occupied, and date or dates of occupancy.

Because of the fact that some of the names were abbreviated and others not decipherable, Hotel del Comercio owner, GUILLERMO GARCIA LUNA, assisted in clarifying those names.

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<u>Name and Residence</u>	<u>Room No.</u>	<u>Dates of Occupancy</u>
ISABEL SALAZAR y comp. Durango, Durango	1	September 26 and 27, 1963
J. ASENCION HERRERA Durango, Durango	2	September 26 and 27, 1963
POLO DUENAS Aguascalientes, Ags.	3	September 26 and 27, 1963
ANTONIO OLIVA y Sra. Mexico, D. F., Mex. (Musician)	4	September 26, 27, 28, 29 and 30, and October 1, 1963
POLO DUENAS Aguascalientes, Ags.	5	September 26, 1963
FERNANDO VALENZUELA Chihuahua, Chihuahua	6	September 26 through October 1, 1963
ANGELICA PEREYRA Torreon, Coahuila (Housewife)	7	September 26 through October 1, 1963
ERNESTO LIMA JUAREZ Reynosa, Tamaulipas	8	September 26, 1963
MARTIN GUERRERO San Louis Potosi, S.L.P.	9	September 26 through October 1, 1963 ..
JOSE LUIS MACIAS Chihuahua, Chihuahua	10	September 26 through October 1, 1963
PEDRO QUIJANO Torreon, Coahuila	11	September 26 through October 1, 1963
MANUEL SANTOS Saltillo, Coahuila (Farmer)	12	September 26, 27, 28 and 30, and October 1, 1963
URBANO TORRES Guanajuato, Guanajuato	13, 22	September 26 and October 1, 1963

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<u>Name and Residence</u>	<u>Room No.</u>	<u>Dates of Occupancy</u>
GABRIEL CONTRERAS Ciudad Juarez, Chihuahua	14	September 26 through October 1, 1963
JULIO LINAN San Louis Potosi, S.L.P.	15	September 26 through October 1, 1963
POLO DUENAS Aguascalientes, Ags.	16	September 26, 1963
RODOLFO RODRIGUEZ Chihuahua, Chihuahua	17, 16, and 17	September 26 through October 1, 1963
POLO DUENAS Aguascalientes, Ags.	18	September 26, 1963
PEREZ PLIEGO San Luis Potosi, S.L.P.	19	September 26, 27 and 28, 1963
SANTOS PEDROZA Leon, Guanajuato	20	September 26 through October 1, 1963
MARIO RESENDIZ Saltillo, Coahuila (Businessman)	21	September 26 through October 1, 1963
POLO DUENAS Aguascalientes, Ags.	22	September 26, 1963
ENRIQUE GARZAT Monterrey, Nuevo Leon	23	September 26, 1963
OSCAR LOZA	25	September 26, 1963
POLO DUENAS	26	September 26, 1963
ARTURO CHAVEZ Ciudad del Maiz, S.L.P.	27	September 26, 1963
POLO DUENAS	28	September 26, 1963

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<u>Name and Residence</u>	<u>Room No.</u>	<u>Dates of Occupancy</u>
MANUEL SERRALDE Monterrey, Nuevo Leon	29	September 26 through October 1, 1963
LEOPOLDO DIAZ Guadalupe, Guanajuato	30	September 26, 1963
MARTIN SUMAYA Nuevo Laredo, Tamaulipas	5	September 27, 1963
FRANCISCO MORALES Reynosa, Tamaulipas	8	September 27 through October 1, 1963
RAFAEL ROCHA Torreon, Coahuila	13	September 27, 1963
LEE, HARVEY OSWALD (Photo.)	18	September 27 through October 1, 1963
ROBERTO LOPEZ Mexico, D. F., Mexico	22	September 27, 1963
JUAN FCO. ROCHA Durango, Durango	24	September 27, 1963
OSCAR SANCHEZ DE LA ROSA Monterrey, Nuevo Leon	25	September 27 through 30, 1963
ALFREDO GARCIA Guadalajara, Jalisco	26	September 27 through 29, 1963
JOSE GAMES Aguascalientes, Ags. (Chauffeur)	28, 30 and 24	September 27 and 30 and October 1, 1963
ALICIA PLAZA Aguascalientes, Ags. (Housewife)	1, 23	September 28, 29 and 30, 1963
JORGE ROQUE Puebla, Puebla	2	September 28, 1963

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<u>Name and Residence</u>	<u>Room No.</u>	<u>Dates of Occupancy</u>
Sr. VILLA Puebla, Puebla	3	September 28, 1963
Sr. RAMOS y Sra. Queretaro, Queretaro	5	September 28, 1963
FIDENCIO GARCIA San Luis Potosi, S.L.P.	13	September 28, 1963
CARLOS MARQUES Veracruz, Veracruz	16	September 28, 1963
Sr. PEREZ y fam. Chihuahua, Chihuahua (Businessman)	22, 19	September 28 and October 1, 1963
Sr. RAMIREZ Torreon, Coahuila	23	September 28, 1963
SILVINO MARTINEZ Queretaro, Queretaro	24	September 28, 1963
MARIO ALATORRE Puebla, Puebla (Businessman)	28, 3	September 28 and 29, 1963
LEONARDO BEZERRA Guanajuato, Guanajuato (Businessman)	2	September 29 and 30 and October 1, 1963
RAUL RAMIREZ Veracruz, Veracruz	12	September 29, 1963
RAUL RAMIREZ Veracruz, Veracruz	13	September 29 and 30 and October 1, 1963
FERNANDO MARTINEZ Guadalajara, Jalisco	16	September 29, 1963
ALFONSO BELTRAN Chihuahua, Chihuahua	19	September 29, 1963

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<u>Name and Residence</u>	<u>Room No.</u>	<u>Dates of Occupancy</u>
TOMAS GALVAN Queretaro, Queretaro	24	September 29, 1963
JESUS GOMEZ y fam.	1	September 30, 1963
JUAN PEDRAZA (JULIAN PEDRAZA) San Luis Potosi, S.L.P.	3	September 30 through October 1, 1963
JESUS GOMEZ	5	September 30, 1963
MANUEL SANTOS Saltillo, Coahuila	12	September 30 through October 1, 1963
SALVADOR HERNANDEZ Puebla, Puebla	16	September 30, 1963
Cap. ESQUIVEL Veracruz, Veracruz (Military)	19	September 30, 1963
GUILLERMO FLORES Queretaro, Queretaro	22	September 30, 1963
TEOFIL. (TEOFILO) VELAZQUEZ Irapuato, Guanajuato	24	September 30, 1963
ARMANDO RODRIGUEZ San Luis, Guanajuato (San Luis de la Paz)	26	September 30, 1963
GREGORIO PEREZ Puebla, Puebla	28	September 30 through October 1, 1963
RAMIREZ Monterrey, Nuevo Leon	1	October 1, 1963
Cap. DOMINGUEZ Guadalajara, Jalisco	5	October 1, 1963
ROSAS RAMIREZ Celaya, Guanajuato	16	October 1, 1963

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<u>Name and Residence</u>	<u>Room No.</u>	<u>Dates of Occupancy</u>
Sr. MONTROYA Puebla, Puebla	23	October 1, 1963
FRANCISCO GUTIERREZ Puebla, Puebla (Chauffeur)	25	October 1, 1963
FELIPE ESCOBEDO	26	October 1, 1963
ALFONSO GARCIA Monterrey, Nuevo Leon	27	October 1, 1963

INTERVIEW OF MANAGER AND
OTHER PERSONNEL AT HOTEL

GUILLERMO GARCIA LUNA advised on March 3, 1964, that he is the owner and manager of the Hotel del Comercio, which is located approximately five blocks north of the main east-west thoroughfare of Mexico, Paseo de la Reforma, and two blocks east of the principal north-south artery, Avenida Insurgentes. He explained that his hotel caters to commercial travelers, most of whom are Mexican citizens; that it has a total of thirty rooms, most of which are equipped with a private bath; that for a single room the minimum rate, without bath, is 13.00 pesos (\$1.04 U.S.) and the maximum, with bath, is 20.00 pesos (\$1.60 U.S.). He added that the hotel is in the heart of the area of many of the bus terminals in Mexico City and also is only a few blocks from the passenger railroad station.

GARCIA LUNA furnished the following observations concerning the stay of LEE HARVEY OSWALD at the Hotel del Comercio. He received OSWALD and caused him to sign the hotel registration book, which is utilized in place of registration cards. He believed OSWALD's arrival had occurred between 10:00 and 11:00 a.m. The guest makes the initial entry in the registration book with data which includes his name, place of origin, occupation, and nationality; thereafter, so long as the guest remains at the hotel, his name and identifying data are transferred to the registration book page for the current date, after he has made payment in

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advance for his room for the ensuing night. Inasmuch as payment is made in advance, no effort is made to obtain an exact home address from the registrant.

The hotel has four floors, and OSWALD was assigned room No. 18 (with bath) on the third floor at a daily rate of 16.00 pesos (\$1.28 U.S.) The rooms on the latter floor are numbered from 18 through 23. The hotel registration book reflects that OSWALD paid for his room on October 1, 1963, which, according to GARCIA LUNA, indicates he was entitled to and probably slept at the hotel the night of October 1-2, 1963, and departed therefrom during the day of October 2, 1963. GARCIA LUNA stated he could not recall the circumstances of OSWALD's departure nor the hour thereof, but merely was judging normal procedure on the basis of information in his record.

GARCIA LUNA advised that he speaks a few words of English and received the impression that OSWALD neither spoke nor understood any Spanish. He had not observed OSWALD in the hotel during the day nor had he ever seen him accompanied by any individual or individuals. He recalled that OSWALD had been carrying a medium-size, brown handbag, which he believed had a zipper and was either of Naugahyde or canvas material. He did not remember that OSWALD had ever worn a coat and believed he usually appeared in a short-sleeved shirt of a knit variety.

Inquiry was made of GARCIA LUNA as to other personnel at the hotel who might recall OSWALD on the basis of having any reason to notice or contact him, and he stated that those persons would be his assistant, SEBASTIAN PEREZ, and the maid who cleans the rooms on the upper two floors, MATILDE GARNICA.

GARCIA LUNA stated that he was acquainted with a few of the guests who were at the hotel during the same period as OSWALD but did not have home addresses for any of them. He mentioned that several of the guests of that period are commercial travelers and return to the hotel from time to time. He agreed to advise the confidential source in the event any of those guests should return to the hotel.

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MATILDE GARNICA, maid at the Hotel del Comercio, advised on March 3, 1964, that she recognized the photographs of OSWALD as being of the young American who had occupied room No. 18 for almost a week during the latter part of last year. She explained that she handles the daily housekeeping duties for the third and fourth floors of the hotel, comprising rooms numbered 18 through 30, and ordinarily arrives at work between 9:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m., leaving at 9:00 p.m., upon completion of her working day.

Mrs. GARNICA related that she clearly recalls OSWALD, as few Americans stay at the hotel, and was somewhat intrigued by his presence there. He had very few personal effects, which he carried in what she described as a "small, brown, zippered handbag," which was either of canvas or imitation leather material. She did not believe she had seen OSWALD in the hotel on more than two occasions, the day of his arrival and the following Saturday as he still was in his room when she checked to determine which rooms were available for cleaning. She remembered that when she saw him in the room on the Saturday morning in question he said "good morning" to her in English, and a short time later left the hotel.

She never saw him with any other person and had no conversation with him, having received the impression that he neither spoke nor understood Spanish.

SEBASTIAN PEREZ HERNANDEZ, desk clerk and assistant to the owner of the Hotel del Comercio, advised on March 10, 1964, that he had not conversed with OSWALD but remembered him clearly inasmuch as very few Americans have stayed at the hotel. To the best of his recollection, OSWALD left the hotel each morning and did not return until evening, possibly after PEREZ HERNANDEZ had completed his working day and left the hotel. He stated OSWALD was alone whenever he noticed him at the hotel and usually wore a knit, short-sleeved sport shirt and no coat or jacket.

PEREZ HERNANDEZ advised that since OSWALD paid his rent in advance for the night of October 1, 1963, there would have been little reason for contact with him on the presumed date of his departure, October 2, 1963, and he was unable to