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SECTION 160

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ARTICLE *File C-2-766*

FILE *105-82555-2781*
PR in memo from SIFAR
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ARTICLE *Mem. C-2-766*

FILE *62-109060-1230*
PR in Tel From SIFAR in
N.Y., D.C., C.G. 11/23/63

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PR in Rebutel from
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PR in Tel. From SAC D.C.

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Date: 4/22/64

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Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL
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TO DIRECTOR FBI (62-109060)
FROM SAC DALLAS (100-10461)
SUBJECT ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT
JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY,
11/22/63, DALLAS, TEXAS;
MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION CONCERNING

Re Bureau airtel to Dallas 4/9/64.

Enclosed are ten copies of a letterhead memorandum furnishing information originally requested in Bureau airtel to Dallas 2/24/64 which enclosed President's Commission letter dated 2/21/64.

For information of Bureau, descriptive data regarding Exhibit D 161 in re Bureau airtel has been changed to read "Invoice No. 8934, Century Arms, Inc." This change is based on the exhibit itself and information recorded page 13, report SA DENNIS W. SHANAHAN, Chicago, dated 3/20/64, captioned LEE HARVEY OSWALD, aka, IS - R - CUBA.

In addition, the date appearing in Exhibit D 165 has been changed to "2/7/63."

The date each exhibit was obtained, if known, is included in the letterhead memorandum.

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It is to be noted the documents referred to in the enclosed letterhead memorandum revealed two separate and distinct rifles are involved. The 6.5 M/M Mannlicher Carcano Italian rifle, Serial No. C2766 (C10), was imported from Italy and stored along with other rifles in a bonded warehouse of Harborside Terminal Company, Incorporated, Jersey City, New Jersey, on 10/26/60 and no part of the shipment removed until 8/29/62. The 6.5 Italian carbine rifle, Serial No. 2766, shipped from Century Arms, Inc., St. Albans, Vermont, to Aldens of Chicago, on 7/5/62, was exported from Canada 7/1/62 and received by Aldens 7/12/62.

In view of this information, no further investigation is being conducted or requested UACB.

Bureau is in possession of all photographs to be furnished the President's Commission in connection with the enclosed letterhead memorandum other than it is noted photographs of exhibits D 17, D 18, D 19, D 77, and J 1 were previously furnished the President's Commission.



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Dallas, Texas
April 22, 1964

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The following is submitted pursuant to a request of the President's Commission to obtain the originals or photographic copies of all documents relating to K 1 (C 10) as well as a 6.5 Italian carbine rifle bearing Serial Number 2766 which was included in a shipment of 6.5 Italian carbine rifles made on July 5, 1962, from Century Arms, Incorporated, of St. Albans, Vermont, to Aldens of Chicago, Illinois:

RE: 6.5 M/M Mannlicher-Carcano
Italian Military Rifle,
Model 91/38, Serial Number C2766
(Exhibit C. 10, also identified as K 1)

Mr. Louis Feldsott, President, Crescent Firearms, Incorporated, 2 West 37th Street, New York, New York, advised his company was organized to handle importation of foreign surplus rifles, especially those of an Italian origin, and the purchases of these rifles were made by him personally in Italy from the Italian Ministry of Defense.

The guns purchased were packed by a Crescent company agent in Italy in the presence of Italian authorities and at that time the serial number for each rifle was checked. The rifles were packed in cartons of ten each and a Crescent company shipping slip bearing the serial number for each rifle was attached to the outside of each rifle carton. Other copies of the shipping slip bearing the rifle serial numbers were forwarded to the Crescent company in New York City. Adam Consolidated Industries, 400 5th Avenue, New York, New York, was the importer of the rifles and stored them in the bonded warehouse upon their arrival in the United States. The rifles were subsequently cleared by Freedman and Slater Company, New York, New York, who are customs brokers.

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Since the rifles were used and in need of repair, they were subsequently trucked by Mr. Fred Rupp under Crescent company instructions to Perkasio, Pennsylvania, where Rupp serviced the rifles and shipped them to purchasers as directed by the Crescent company.

Office Copy of Ten Shipping
Slips Reflecting Carton Numbers
(Exhibit D 173)

Office Copy, Crescent Firearms, Incorporated, shipping slip No. 3620 pertaining to carton No. 3376, lists a rifle having Serial Number C2766 as the third gun in the carton. This list was prepared at the time the rifles were packed in Italy.

Bill of Lading Number 18 for
Motor Ship Elettra Fassio
(Exhibit D 174)

This Bill of Lading, dated September 29, 1960, pertains to a shipment of 520 cartons of obsolete rifles to Adam Consolidated Industries, Incorporated, 404 (5th) Avenue, New York 18, New York, by S.N.T. Fratelli Gondrand. The rifles are further described as "No. 1700 Mod. 38 Cal. 6.5" and "No. 3500 Mod. 91 Cal. 6.5." The port of loading is indicated as Genoa and the port of discharge is New York. This Bill of Lading contains cartons "3305/3436" among the cartons listed.

Copy of Inventory List Reflecting
Carton Numbers Attached to Above
Bill of Lading Number 18
(Exhibit D 175)

This inventory list indicates carton No. 3376 contains ten serial numbers including "C2766."

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Copy of Notice Dated October 10,
1960, with Estimated Date of
Arrival of Shipment from Genoa
to Adam Consolidated Industries,
Incorporated
(Exhibit D 177)

This notice is on the letterhead of Norton, Lilly and Company, Incorporated, 26 Beaver Street, New York 4, New York, and advised a shipment of 520 cartons of obsolete rifles shipped on Bill of Lading Genoa No. 18 via Elettra Fassio was due about "10-15."

Copy of Warehouse Entry Form
from Freedman and Slater,
Incorporated, No. 52737, dated
October 24, 1960
(Exhibit D 176)

This exhibit on Customs Form 7502 Treasury Department pertains to a shipment of 520 cartons of rifles exported from Italy September 29, 1960, at Genoa on Bill of Lading No. 18 via Elettra Fassio. The importer of record is Adam Consolidated Industries, Incorporated, 404 5th Avenue, New York City, and the warehouse is "Harborside Terminal Warehouse." Included are cartons numbered "3305/3436" with the date imported given as "10-17-60."

Copy of a Bill of Lading
Dated October 25, 1960, from
Adam Consolidated Industries,
Incorporated
(Exhibit D 178)

This memorandum pertains to 520 cartons of rifles consigned to Harborside Terminal Company, Incorporated, 34 Exchange Place, Jersey City, New Jersey, via Waterfront Transfer Company, Custom House License No. 290, "in bond cargo." The cartons listed include "3305/3436" and the memorandum makes reference to Bill of Lading No. 18 Genoa dated September 29, 1960.

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Exhibits D 175 through D 178 were made available by Louis Feidsott, President, Crescent Firearms, Incorporated, 2 West 37th Street, New York City, on March 13, 1964.

Warehouse Receipt Dated November 9,
1960, of Harborside Terminal Company
(Exhibit D 189)

The billing copy of this receipt referring to Lot No. 91594 pertains to 520 cartons of rifles "38 E 91 I 6.5 Calibre" with charges for storage to Adams Consolidated from October 26, 1960. Also shown on this instrument is five deliveries to "Rupp" with dates and delivery order numbers. The warehouse receipt indicates a balance of 86 cartons remained as of May, 1963.

Five Delivery Orders Numbered
89138, 14473, 03408, A01640, and
A00642
(Exhibit D 190)

The above delivery orders of Harborside Terminal Company, Incorporated, Jersey City, New Jersey, show Fred Rupp signed for deliveries against the account of Adams Consolidated, 404 5th Avenue, New York, New York, on August 29, 1962; October 4, 1962; October 16, 1962; October 24, 1962; and October 31, 1962. Only Delivery Order No. 89138 listed specific cartons of rifles obtained by Rupp.

Exhibits D 189 and D 190 were furnished by Frederick Peterson, President, Harborside Terminal Company, Incorporated, Exchange Place, Jersey City, New Jersey, on March 9, 1964.

Copy of Sales Invoice No. 03408
from Adams Consolidated, 404 5th
Avenue, Dated October 16, 1962
(Exhibit D 179)

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This invoice appears to be identical to Delivery Order No. 03403 listed under Exhibit E 100 other than it does not bear the notation "70 10-16-62 J. M. ~~Zrasnolutsky~~" and the initial "L" in the upper right corner. This instrument reflects the sale of 70 cartons of rifles "38 E 91 I 6.5 Calibre" to Fred Rupp "Via: Rupp." The signature "Fred Rupp" appears at the bottom as the person receiving the merchandise. ✓

Exhibit D 179 was furnished by Louis Feldsott, President, Crescent Firearms, Incorporated, New York City, on March 13, 1964. ✓

Klein's Purchase Order for
One Hundred Rifles Effective
January 15, 1962
(Exhibit D 163)

Handwritten notes:
Handwritten signature/initials
make reference to...

On April 15, 1964, William J. Waldman, Vice President, Klein's Sporting Goods, Incorporated, 4540 West Madison Street, Chicago, Illinois, furnished the following information regarding the above Purchase Order which was directed to Crescent Firearms, 2 West 37th Street, New York, New York: This Purchase Order is the bottom page of a multi-page document containing data from various purchases, and in this case, all relating to Italian Mannlicher Carcano rifles. The center of the page contains a series of vertical columns each bearing the designation "A/R." Mr. WALDMAN noted that on an unused Purchase Order blank, in addition to a bottom page similar to this exhibit, there would be other pages with their leading edges extending to the vertical lines of each of the "A/R" columns. Each subsequent page in the Purchase Order blank would be narrower in width than the succeeding page and as a result would make reference only to one specific vertical column and the data contained thereon. ✓

Mr. Waldman advised the "Effective 1/15/62" appearing on the above exhibit is correct and the date is utilized for administrative purposes only by his firm and indicates when the Purchase Order was first initiated. This date does not indicate in any way the date the order was placed, shipped, billed, or invoiced. ✓

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✓ This particular Purchase Order is only concerned with the column headed by Order No. 1243 dated January 24, 1963, and the vertical line drawn through the column makes reference only to a shipment of 100 of the described rifles which he commented is the shipment containing rifle bearing Serial Number C2766. The figures "200 and 400" in adjoining columns have no reference to the shipment of 100 rifles which contained the rifle having Serial Number C2766. ✓ Mr. Waldman advised this Purchase Order as shown makes reference only to an order and subsequent shipment of 100 Italian Mannlicher-Carcano rifles, Klein's Catalog No. C20-7749. The bottom of the ✓ Purchase Order indicates the shipment of 100 rifles consisting of ten packages was received February 21, 1963, via Lifschultz Freight under Bill of Lading No. 3041342 which weighed 750 pounds. He also ? noted this form under the column "Accounting Department" and "Extension" bears Klein's Extension No. 85000 which indicates the receipt of the one hundred rifles was recorded for accounting purposes on February 22, 1963.

Exhibit D 153 was furnished by Mr. Waldman on March 12, 1964.

✓ Original Sale Order, Crescent Firearms,
Incorporated, No. 3178, Dated
February 7, 1963
(Exhibit D 172)

This instrument shows a sale to Klein's Sporting Goods, Incorporated, 4540 West Madison Street, Chicago, Illinois, on Customer's No. 1243 consisting of "100 ea. T-38 6.5 It. Rifles" at \$8.50 each. This sales order shows ten cases were shipped December 12, 1963, via Lifschultz and that one of the cases bore number "3376."

Exhibit D 172 was furnished by Louis Feldsott, President, Crescent Firearms, Incorporated, New York City, on March 13, 1964.

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Page from Record Book of
Mr. Fred W. Rupp, Perkasio, Pa.
Shipment on February 12, 1963
(Exhibit D 151)

Fred W. Rupp, Rural Free Delivery Two, Mink Road, Perkasio, Pennsylvania, advised he has a subcontract with Crescent Firearms, Incorporated, New York City, to clean various types of Italian-made rifles and he periodically obtained these guns from Harborside Warehouse Terminal, Jersey City, New Jersey. He said his records do not show the serial number of any individual gun handled by him. The only record he has is the carton number record of the cartons he ships from his place of business to various customers designated to him by Crescent Firearms, Incorporated, New York City. His shipping book reveals that on February 12, 1963, on Crescent Firearms, Incorporated, Order No. 3178, he turned over carton No. 3376 to North Penn Transfer Company, Lansdale, Pennsylvania, for shipment, however, his records do not reflect to whom the shipment was made because the Bill of Lading furnished to him by North Penn Transfer Company is sent to Crescent Firearms, Incorporated, New York City.

Exhibit D 151 was furnished by Mr. Fred W. Rupp, Perkasio, Pennsylvania.

Bill of Lading No. 3178,
Crescent Firearms, Incorporated
(Exhibit D 171)

The memorandum copy signed by I. Moore as agent shows ten cartons or cases of guns or rifles weighing 750 pounds were consigned collect to Klein's Sporting Goods, 4540 West Madison Street, Chicago, Illinois. The name of the carrier is shown as "NPT" of Lansdale, Pennsylvania, and the route is indicated as Lifschultz Freight.

This exhibit was furnished by Louis Feldsott, President, Crescent Firearms, Incorporated, New York City, March 13, 1964.

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Photostat of Undated Bill
of Lading No. 3178
(Exhibit D 152)

This exhibit is the shipping order copy containing the same information as Exhibit D 171 with the exception that it indicates the shipment concerned was received at Ottsville, Pennsylvania, and has the stamped number 394857 in the upper middle of the page.

This exhibit was furnished by Arthur N. Anders, President and General Manager, North Penn Transfer, Incorporated, Route ~~202~~ and ~~63~~, Lansdale, Pennsylvania.

North Penn Transfer, Incorporated,
Delivery Receipt for Shipping Order
No. 3178
(Exhibit D 153)

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✓ The above instrument bearing North Penn Transfer, Incorporated, Pro. No. A394857, pertaining to ten cartons or cases of guns or rifles, weighing 750 pounds, shows the shipper as Crescent Firearms, Incorporated, Ottsville, Pennsylvania, Shippers No. 3178, and the ✓ consignee as Kelins Sporting Goods, 454 West Madison Street, Chicago, Illinois, with the connecting carrier indicated as "LIFS FF." A receiving stamp indicates this shipment was received by Lifschultz Fast Freight, February 13, 1963.

✓ This exhibit was obtained from Arthur N. Anders, President and General Manager, North Penn Transfer, Incorporated, Route ~~202~~ and ~~63~~, Lansdale, Pennsylvania.

✓ Consignee's Memo Pro No.
A394857 Dated February 13, 1963
(Exhibit D 168)

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D. J. Lifschultz

This instrument was issued by North Penn Transfer, Incorporated, Lansdale, Pennsylvania, and indicates receipt by Lifschultz Fast Freight, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, February 13, 1963. This item also bears the stamped number "41342."

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Delivery Receipt No. 3-041342
Dated February 13, 1963
(Exhibit D 169)

This instrument was issued by Lifschultz Fast Freight, 28 North Franklin Street, Chicago, Illinois, for a shipment of ten cartons or cases of guns or rifles weighing 750 pounds. The shipper is Crescent Firearms, Pottsville, Pennsylvania, and the consignee is Klein's Sporting Goods, 4540 West Madison Street, no city shown. This receipt bears the perforated number 48969 and was received at Klein's Sporting Goods, Incorporated, on February 21, 1963.

Cashier's Copy, Chicago
Run Sheet, No. 48969, Dated
February 21, 1963
(Exhibit D 170)

The above run sheet of Lifschultz Fast Freight, driver Jones, No. 293, trailer No. 43, shows a delivery was made to Klein's Sporting Goods consisting of ten pieces weighing 750 pounds on Bill No. 041342.

Exhibits D 168 through D 170 were furnished by Merrill Brown, Lifschultz Fast Freight, Chicago, Illinois, November 25, 1963.

Invoice No. 3178,
Crescent Firearms, Incorporated,
Dated February 7, 1963
(Exhibit D 165)

This invoice shows 100 "T38 6.5 It. rifles" were sold to Klein's Sporting Goods, Incorporated, Chicago, Illinois, on the basis of Order No. 1243 via North Penn Transfer - Lifschultz. The invoice bears the stamped date of "Feb 20 1963" and a vouchering stamp indicating the invoice was paid March 4, 1963.

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Five Pages of "Customers
Invoice" of Crescent
Firearms, Incorporated
(Exhibit D 164)

The above accompanied the shipment of rifles to Klein's Sporting Goods, Chicago, Illinois, on invoice No. 3178. There is one "Customers Invoice" for each carton shipped and on it is listed the serial number of each of the ten rifles contained in the carton. "Customers Invoice" No. 3620 which pertains to carton No. 3376 reveals rifle No. C2766 is listed as No. 3.

Exhibits D 164 and D 165 were furnished by William J. Waldman, Vice President, Klein's Sporting Goods, Incorporated, Chicago, Illinois, on March 12, 1964.

Photostat Copy of List
Prepared by Mitchell Scibor,
Klein's Sporting Goods
(Exhibit D 167)

This list is described as a copy of a record made by Scibor upon opening the gun cases on February 22, 1963. The notation "RR 1243" indicates the receiving report number which detailed the method of travel of the guns. The date "2-22-63" indicates when the gun cartons were opened. The bold-face numbers are control numbers assigned to each rifle with the serial number of each listed thereafter as it is taken from the carton and checked for accuracy. Control No. "836" shows a weapon having Serial Number C2766

Exhibit D 167 was furnished by Mitchell Scibor, Klein's Sporting Goods, Chicago, Illinois, on November 23, 1963.

One Check and Attached
Klein's Voucher No. 28966
(Exhibit D 166)

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Check No. 28966 of Klein's Sporting Goods, Incorporated, 4540 West Madison Street, Chicago, Illinois, dated March 1, 1963, in the amount of \$850 is payable to Crescent Firearms, Incorporated, 2 West 37th Street, New York, New York, and it is drawn on the First National Bank of Chicago, Illinois. The voucher bearing No. 28966 bears the date "2-7" and refers to payment of invoice No. 3178 in the amount of \$850.

Exhibit D 166 was furnished by William J. Waldman, Vice President, Klein's Sporting Goods, Incorporated, Chicago, Illinois, on March 12, 1964.

Photograph of Roll of Microfilm
from Klein's Sporting Goods, Incorporated,
Chicago, Illinois, Which Contains Photo-
graph of Envelope, Order Form, and Order Blank
for Italian Carbine, Serial Number C2766
(Exhibit D 77)

This roll of microfilm is further described as Filmfill No. 83, 269688-270596, General Files, and contains photographs of various business documents.

Exhibit D 77 was made available by William J. Waldman, Vice President, Klein's Sporting Goods, Incorporated, Chicago, Illinois, on November 23, 1963.

Photographs Made from Microfilm
(Exhibit D 77) of Envelope, Order
Form, and Order Blank from Klein's
Pertaining to Italian Rifle, Serial
Number C2766 (Exhibit J 1)

The envelope postmarked Dallas, Texas, March 12, 1963, is addressed to Klein's and bears the return address of A. Hidell, Post Office Box 2915, Dallas, Texas. The order form which accompanied the envelope is a small advertisement of Klein's. This item is an order

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for item No. "C20-T750" and indicates the sum of \$19.95 is the purchase price. This order form was signed A. Hidell with the address of Post Office Box 2915, Dallas, Texas. Klein's Sporting Goods "Order Blank" bearing the machine date of March 13, 1963, on transaction No. 270502 reflects the purchase of one Italian carbine 6.5 W/4X Scope, Control Number VC 836, Serial Number C2766, at a cost of \$19.95. The item number is shown as C20-T750 which was shipped "PP" on March 20, 1963, to the purchaser who was listed as A. Hidell, Post Office Box 2915, Dallas, Texas. The total amount enclosed is shown as "21.45" "MO" which included \$1.50 for postage or handling charge.

According to William J. Waldman, Vice President, Klein's Sporting Goods, Incorporated, the money order received in payment of the above rifle was deposited at the First National Bank of Chicago on March 15, 1963, in company account No. 50-91144.

Exhibit J 1 was made available by Mr. Waldman on November 23, 1963.

United States Postal Money
Order Payable to Klein's
(Exhibit D 19)

Money Order No. 2202130462, in the amount of \$21.45, issued at Dallas, Texas, March 12, 1963, is payable to Klein's Sporting Goods and the purchaser is shown as A. Hidell, Post Office Box 2915, Dallas, Texas. This money order is endorsed in favor of The First National Bank of Chicago, Illinois, by Klein's Sporting Goods, Incorporated, Account No. 50-91144.

Exhibit D 19 was made available by Special Agent John H. Grimes, United States Secret Service, Washington, D. C., November 24, 1963.

Application for Post Office
Boxes Signed by Oswald
(Exhibit D 17)

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The application dated October 9, 1962, signed Lee H. Oswald, directed to Postmaster W. B. Hudson, reveals box No. 2915 was opened October 9, 1962, and was closed on May 14, 1963. This item is also identified as Q 34.

Change of Address
Order by Oswald
(Exhibit D 18)

POD Form 3575 addressed to Postmaster, Dallas, Texas, signed Lee H. Oswald with the effective date of May 12, 1963, changed the address of Oswald from Post Office Box 2915, Dallas, Texas, to 4907 Magazine Street, New Orleans, Louisiana. This form bears the date stamp of "5-14-63." This exhibit is also further identified as K 18.

RE: 6.5 Italian Carbine Rifle,
Serial Number 2766, Shipped From
Century Arms, Incorporated, St. Albans,
Vermont, to Aldens of Chicago, July 5, 1962

Empire Wholesale Sporting
Goods, Limited, Invoice No. 1078
(Exhibit 156)

The invoice of Empire Wholesale Sporting Goods, Limited, 360 Craig Street, West, Montreal, Quebec, dated June 29, 1962, reflects the sale of 700 used Italian rifles made in Italy to Century Arms, Incorporated, 54 Lake Street, St. Albans, Vermont. Also included in this invoice were 600 rifles of a different make.

Exhibit D 156 was furnished by James Ouimet, owner, Century Arms, Incorporated, St. Albans, Vermont, March 11, 1964.

Original List of Serial Numbers
of 700 Carcano Italian Carbines
Received by Century Arms, Incorporated,
from Empire Wholesale Sporting Goods,
Montreal, Quebec, Canada. Serial
Number 2766 Appears on Last Page of
Numbers (Exhibit D 103)

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The above list accompanied Empire Wholesale Sporting Goods, Limited, invoice No. 1078. The top of the first page bears notations "Carcano" "Case #'s," and "Italian Carbines." It is noted on pages one through six there are 25 serial numbers listed to each case. On page seven there are listed 50 serial numbers to each case. In addition, the top of the last page bears a notation "Italian Carbine 46".

Exhibit D 103 was obtained from James Ouimet, owner, Century Arms, Incorporated, St. Albans, Vermont, November 23, 1963.

Photostat (Copy of Canadian
National Railways Straight
Bill of Lading Dated June 29, 1962
(Exhibit D 180)

This document pertains to a shipment from Empire Wholesale Sporting Goods, Limited, Montreal Quebec, consigned to Century Arms, Incorporated, 54 Lake Street, St. Albans, Vermont. The shipment is described as 41 cases of used guns (1300) and "No further use except for ornamental purposes CLASSIFICATION No.: 73080."

Exhibit D 180 was furnished by William Sucher, owner, International Firearms Company, Limited, 1011 Bleury Street, Montreal, Canada.

In connection with efforts to obtain documentary exhibits from Empire Wholesale Sporting Goods, Limited, Montreal, Canada, it was learned the concern is not active. It is operated by a Mr. Itkovitch, a brother-in-law of William Sucher, owner of International Firearms Company, Limited, Montreal, and is reported as probably fully owned by the latter company.

William Sucher on March 12, 1964, advised he has bought hundreds of thousands of rifles overseas as Italian Government surplus and he does not maintain the serial numbers of these rifles. Many were collected from battlefields and places of improper storage and they were in very poor condition. They were usually bought by the

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pound rather than units. Upon arrival in Canada, defective parts were removed and salable rifles were sometimes composed of parts of three or more weapons. Sucher advised the Mannlicher-Carcano rifle was manufactured in Italy from 1891 until 1941 however in the 1930's Mussolini ordered all arms factories to manufacture the Mannlicher-Carcano rifle. Since many concerns were manufacturing the same weapon, the same serial number appears on weapons manufactured by more than one concern. Some bear a letter prefix and some do not. Sucher stated at times he has prepared a listing of serial numbers of rifles in a given shipment for customs purposes and that listing was thereafter transmitted with the shipment. International Firearms Company, Limited, did not maintain a copy of the serial numbers of the rifles and no such listing is required by law.

Sucher located a record of documents listed as Exhibit D 156 which invoice was paid by Century Arms, Incorporated, on August 6, 1962, and Exhibit D 180. He advised there are no additional records of this shipment in the possession of his company and he is sure the serial numbers of the individual weapons involved were not recorded at the point of shipment as he is certain his purchase was on a per pound basis.

Photostatic Copy of Consumption
Entry No. 77. Bureau of Customs
(Exhibit D 158)

The above Treasury Department form dated July 6, 1962, shows the port of entry as St. Albans, Vermont, and the "Term Recd. No." as "3." The importer of record is indicated as A. N. Deringer, Incorporated, St. Albans, Vermont, for account of Century Arms, Incorporated, St. Albans. The country of importation is Canada with the importing vessel or carrier shown as Central Vermont Railway, Incorporated. The date of "exportation" and "importation" is given as July 1, 1962. The shipment pertains to 700 used Italian rifles and 600 used English rifles.

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Photostatic Copy of Examination
and Appraisal of Entry No. 77
(Exhibit D 159)

The above document dated July 6, 1962, which is to be attached to the invoice, reflects the merchandise was examined and released under immediate delivery permit No. 3 on July 3, 1962.

Exhibits D 158 and D 159 were furnished by Mark K. Gardner, United States Customs Agent in Charge, St. Albans, Vermont, March 11, 1964.

Century Arms, Incorporated,
Order No. 8934, Dated June 29,
1962, Reflecting Sale of 700 6.5
Caliber Italian Carbines to
Aldens, 5000 West Roosevelt Road,
Chicago, Illinois
(Exhibit D 102)

The above order refers to Aldens Order No. 82803 and bears a handwritten notation that it was shipped July 5, 1962.

Exhibit D 102 was furnished by James Ouimet, owner, Century Arms, Incorporated, St. Albans, Vermont, November 23, 1963.

Memorandum for Bill of
Lading from H. P. Welch Company,
Dated June 29, 1962
(Exhibit D 157)

found by P.
The above memorandum of H. P. Welch Company/home office, 400 Somerville Avenue, Somerville, Massachusetts, relates to a shipment from Century Arms, Incorporated, St. Albans, Vermont, to Aldens, 5000 West Roosevelt Road, Department G 33, Chicago, Illinois, consisting of 25 cases containing 700 rifles. It also refers to Order No. 82803, Catalog No. 33-3541M.

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Exhibit D 157 was furnished by James Quimet, Century Arms, Incorporated, St. Albans, Vermont, March 11, 1964.

Photostatic Copy of E. P. Welch Company
Shipping Order Dated June 29, 1962
(Exhibit D 181)

This Shipping Order pertains to a shipment of 25 cases containing 700 rifles from Century Arms, Incorporated, St. Albans, Vermont, consigned to Aldens, Chicago, Illinois. It bears the stamped impression "E. Ward Truck No. 499 Jul 5 1962." Elmer Ward is the company driver who picked up this shipment at St. Albans on July 5, 1962, and took it to the company terminal at Burlington, Vermont. This order also bears the stamped number "3686."

Exhibit D 181 was made available by Albert C. Penney, Office Manager, H. P. Welch Company, 400 Somerville Avenue, Somerville, Massachusetts, March 17, 1964.

Duplicate of H. P. Welch
Company Waybill No. B-3686
Dated July 6, 1962
(Exhibit D 160)

This waybill indicates a collect shipment from Century Arms, Incorporated, St. Albans, Vermont, to Aldens of Chicago, Illinois, consisting of 25 cases containing 700 rifles and refers to Order No. 82803.

Exhibit D 160 was furnished by Abe Shindel, Manager, H. P. Welch Company, Burlington, Vermont, March 11, 1964.

Yellow Duplicate Copy of
H. P. Welch Company Waybill
No. B-3686
(Exhibit D 182)

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This copy bearing No. "7" in upper right corner dated July 6, 1962, pertains to a shipment from Century Arms, Incorporated, St. Albans, Vermont, to Aldens, Chicago, Illinois, consisting of 25 cases containing 700 rifles under Order No. 82803.

The stamped notation "T-MCLEAN 7526" indicates the shipment was loaded on a McLean trailer and transported to Somerville, Massachusetts, the same date by a Welch Company driver where it laid over until Monday, July 9, 1962. On July 9, 1962, the shipment was unloaded from truck No. 7526 at the Somerville terminal of the Welch Company and reloaded on company truck No. 344739 operated by driver J. Dillon as noted by a stamped impression in the upper left corner of the waybill. The shipment was then transferred by Dillon on July 9, 1962, to Eastern Express Company terminal at 260 Western Avenue, Allston, Massachusetts, where it was again unloaded as the Eastern Express Company was to transport the shipment to the consignee at Chicago, Illinois. The signature "Conway" in the lower left corner indicates receipt of the shipment by Eastern Express Company.

Exhibit D 182 was obtained from Albert C. Penney, Office Manager, H. P. Welch Company, 400 Somerville Avenue, Somerville, Massachusetts, on March 17, 1964, who also furnished explanations for the entries.

Photostat of Customer's Copy
of H. P. Welch Company Waybill
No. B-3686
(Exhibit D 183)

This copy of the waybill dated July 6, 1962, bears a penciled notation "191947."

James Mcney, Office Manager, Boston Terminal, Eastern Air Express Company, 260 Western Avenue, Allston, Massachusetts, on March 17, 1964, advised the number "191947" is the waybill number assigned by his company to this shipment. His company's manifest has been destroyed and he has no records to show the date of receipt by

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his company or the date shipped to the consignee in Chicago. The shipment was signed for by Charles Conway, Dock Supervisor, when received by his company.

Exhibit D 183 was furnished by Mr. James Mooney on March 17, 1964.

Delivery Receipt from
Eastern Express, Incorporated
(Exhibit D 201)

This receipt, dated July 9, 1962, bearing Pro. No. 191947, pertains to a shipment from Century Arms, Incorporated, St. Albans, Vermont, to Aldens, 5000 West Roosevelt Road, Department G 33, Chicago, Illinois, consisting of 25 cases containing 700 rifles on Order No. 82803. It also refers to "Welch B 3686 7/6." The receipt also bears a receiving stamp of Aldens, Incorporated, dated July 12, 1962.

Exhibit D 201 was furnished by James Damron, Assistant Terminal Manager, Eastern Express, Incorporated, 7526 State Road, Bedford Park, Illinois.

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Invoice No. 8934,
Century Arms, Incorporated
(Exhibit D 161)

This invoice dated June 29, 1962, pertains to a shipment made to Aldens, 5000 West Roosevelt Road, Department G 33, Chicago, Illinois, their Order No. 82803, consisting of 700 6.5 Italian carbines. The invoice bears a block stamp showing the date received as July 9, 1962. Additional stamps indicate the invoice was received in the "Invoice Unit" and the "Accounting Dept." on July 13, 1962. The invoice also bears the handwritten numerals in the upper right corner of "145352."

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Aldens Checking Slip
No. 293779
(Exhibit D 162)

This document dated July 12, 1962, refers to a shipment having waybill No. 191947 received from Century Arms, Incorporated, via Eastern Express consisting of 25 packages. The catalog number is given as 33 B 3541 and the total received is "700." The bottom of the slip near items "received by" and "checked by" bears the date of July 12, 1962.

Exhibits D 161 and D 162 were furnished by Albert Lesko, Manager, Accounting Department, Aldens, Chicago, Illinois, March 5, 1964, who advised these two items are the only records still available at his company and the serial numbers of the rifles received are not available.

- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. Rosen
- 1 - Mr. Malley
- 1 - Mr. Shroder
- 1 - Mr. Rogge

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April 30, 1964

BY COURIER SERVICE

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 FBI READING ROOM

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

Dear Mr. Rankin:

Reference is made to your letter dated February 21, 1964, and my letter dated March 27, 1964, relating to the 6.5 millimeter Mannlicher-Carcano Italian military rifle, serial number C2766, and to your request for this Bureau to obtain the originals or photographic copies of all documents relating to this rifle as well as an Italian carbine rifle, serial number 2766.

Enclosed for your assistance are two copies of a twenty-page self-explanatory communication from our Dallas, Texas, Office dated April 22, 1964. This communication describes in a systematic manner the documents obtained by this Bureau in accordance with your request. The documents relating to the rifle bearing the serial number C2766 are described first followed by data on the rifle bearing serial number 2766.

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In addition, there are enclosed two photographic copies each of thirty-six documents relating to the above rifles arranged in the same sequence as described in the enclosed Dallas communication.

For your information, copies of exhibits D 17, D 18, D 19, D 77 and J 1 have been previously furnished to you and were consequently not duplicated for this particular request. The originals or copies of the

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| Casper | | | 1 - Mr. R.E. Leni |
| Callahan | 105-82555 | | 1 - Mr. J.C. Cadi |
| Conrad | 1 | 62-109060 (Assassination of Pres. Kennedy) | 1 - Mr. A. Fraz |
| DeLoach | 1 | 62-109090 (President's Commission) | |
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Honorable J. Lee Rankin

enclosed documents obtained by this Bureau are being retained in our Laboratory under the indicated exhibit identification numbers.

This concludes inquiries by this Bureau pursuant to the requests set forth in your letter dated February 21, 1964.

Sincerely yours,
J. Edgar Hoover

Enclosures (74)

NOTE:

Commission by relet in addition to the above request desired considerable technical data relating to the assassination rifle, C2766. This information was furnished the Commission by Bureau letter 3/27/64 at which time the Commission was apprised of the fact that the additional document request made by them was involved in nature requiring seven Bureau offices to conduct investigation including investigation in Canada. Sufficient information has been developed to show the carbine bearing serial number 2766 is dissimilar to the assassination rifle.

PRESIDENT'S COMMISSION
ON THE
ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY

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Washington, D.C. 20002
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J. LEE RANKIN,
General Counsel

MAY 20 1964

Handwritten notes and signatures:
J. Lee Rankin
J. Edgar Hoover
MAY 20 1964

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

Dear Mr. Hoover:

As a result of my letter of March 26, 1964 with respect to background materials on the Fair Play for Cuba Committee and certain other subversive groups, it was agreed that your Agency would await further instructions from this Commission.

The Commission would now appreciate your providing the following information on the Fair Play for Cuba Committee, "JURE", "DRE", Alpha 66, and 30th of November Movements:

1. Copies of all reports supplied from your Dallas and Fort Worth offices during the year 1963 with respect to persons believed active in those groups.
2. Summaries of activities throughout Texas of such groups with particular reference to names and places during the period January 1, 1961 to January 1, 1964.
3. A general summary of activities of such groups outside of Texas during the year 1963 with particular reference to activities in Chicago, Michigan, Las Vegas, Los Angeles, Miami, New Orleans, New York, Puerto Rico and San Francisco.

The Commission would also appreciate your providing copies of all reports from your Dallas and Fort Worth offices for the year 1963 which pertain to persons believed active in the Communist Party or Socialist Workers Party.

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MAY 21 1964
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Finally, the Commission would like you to provide copies of all reports of investigations in Texas during 1963 arising out of activities of the John Birch Society or Minute Men or relating to members of those organizations engaged in subversive activities.

Sincerely,

J. Lee Rankin
J. Lee Rankin
General Counsel

5-22-64

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- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Rosen
- 1 - Mr. Sullivan
- 1 - Mr. Malley
- 1 - Mr. Baumgardner
- 1 - Mr. Bland
- 1 - Mr. Branigan
- 1 - Mr. Wannall
- 1 - Mr. Lenihan

To: SACs, Dallas (100-10461) (Enc.)
 El Paso (105-1264) (Enc.)
 Houston (105-1291) (Enc.)
 San Antonio (105-2909) (Enc.)

From: Director, FBI (105-82555) - 3839

Subject: LEE HARVEY OSWALD
 INTERNAL SECURITY - R - CUBA
 BUDED: 6-1-64

Enclosed for each office is a copy of a letter from the President's Commission which is self-explanatory. The full names of the 3 organizations abbreviated in the second paragraph of the Commission's letter are as follows:

- "JURE" - Junta Revolucionaria Cubana;
- "DRE" - Directorio Revolucionaria Estudiantil;
- Alpha 66 - Second National Front of Escambray (Operation Alpha 66).

In connection with the instant Commission's request, the Dallas Office should respond to items 1 and 2 and to the request in the last paragraph of page 1 and the paragraph on page 2 as outlined in the enclosure. The El Paso, Houston and San Antonio Offices should respond to item 2 and to the request in the paragraph on page 2 of the enclosure as such requests pertain to the territory covered by each office.

Item number 3 in the enclosure is being handled at SOG.

In responding to item 2 in the enclosure, each office should prepare a letterhead memorandum suitable for dissemination to the President's Commission setting forth data in each office's files responsive to this request.

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- Rosen
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Airtel to Dallas, El Paso, Houston, San Antonio
Rc: Lee Harvey Oswald
105-82555

In responding to the Commission's requests for copies of reports pertaining to the organizations or individuals concerned, each office should check its indices and files and furnish the Bureau a complete listing of all communications that have been forwarded to the Bureau for the period involved in order that such communications can be located in Bureau files. In addition, each office should forward to the Bureau copies of all communications in its files that are responsive to the instant request of the Commission but which are not currently in the Bureau's possession. These will include inter-office communications, memoranda to the SAC of each office, and correspondence from other agencies and the public.

This matter must be given the immediate attention of each office and data responsive to the Commission's request should reach the Bureau no later than 6-1-64 and earlier if possible.

NOTE:

The Commission by letter 5-20-64 has requested it be furnished reports and summaries of data in possession of the 4 Texas offices. These requests largely pertain to Fair Play for Cuba Committee as well as anti-Castro organizations. Commission is also interested in obtaining data re members active in the Communist Party & Socialist Workers Party in Dallas and Fort Worth along with information regarding individuals active in the John Birch Society or Minutemen in the State of Texas. Inasmuch as some of the data requested may not have been furnished to the Bureau, desirable each of the offices concerned furnish Bureau a complete accounting of all data in files of each responsive to these requests.

FBI

Date: 5/22/64

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plain text or code)

Via AIR MAIL
(Priority or Method of Mailing)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (62-109030)
FROM: SAC, DALLAS (100-10461) (P)
RE: ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT
JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY,
NOVEMBER 22, 1963, DALLAS, TEXAS
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

Re Bureau airtel to Dallas, 5/15/64, enclosing two copies of a letter from the President's Commission dated May 13, 1964, requesting certain investigation regarding the photograph of the house of Major General EDWIN A. WALKER, which has been marked as Commission Exhibit 5 and as FBI Inventory Number 305; and, Dallas airtel to Bureau, 5/20/64, enclosing an affidavit of SA IVAN D. LEE reflecting procedures used by him in the taking of certain photographs of the rear of Major General EDWIN A. WALKER's residence, together with photographs taken by him on February 1, 1964.

Enclosed are 10 copies of a letterhead memorandum containing the requested investigation.

The investigation set forth in the enclosed letterhead memorandum was conducted by SA IVAN D. LEE, with the exception of the physical observation of the rear of Major General EDWIN A. WALKER's residence on May 13, 1964, which was made by SA's LEE and ROBERT M. BARRETT, and the interview with Mr. BEN B. PASSMORE, which was conducted by SA EMORY E. HORTON.

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58 JUN 22 1964 Agent in Charge

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO DIRECTOR, FBI (62-1077)

DATE: 5/19/64

ATTENTION: FBI ANNEX

FROM SAC, WFO

SUBJECT: TRANSLATION MATTERS

ReBulet dated 5/14/64, requesting expeditious translation of Hungarian language article appearing in the "Magyar Elet," dated 5/2/64.

Translation and portion of aforementioned newspaper herewith being transmitted to Bureau, attention FBI Annex.

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- 1 - WFO

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Dear Mr. Hoover:

An Hungarian woman I work with receives the paper I have enclosed. She has made me aware of life in a Communist country above & beyond theory.

I have circled an article "Dallasi Tudositas." I neither speak nor read Hungarian. She translated this article to me as such: There were 2 witnesses to the police officers fatal shooting after Kennedy's assassination. The one witness described the killer of the officer as a short, hefty man with bushy hair (which does not fit Oswald) Also the 2nd witness, Reynolds was killed the first part of this year. Reynolds named a man as the killer who was furnished an alibi by a dancer who worked for Ruby.

My natural questions: Is this an accurate translation into English? If so, is it true? If it is true why does an Hungarian paper publish this when the American papers do not?

If it is true, I have the conviction the FBI knows of it & has investigated its implications. What I would object to is the fact that comparing Congressional Records, Nuclear Test Ban Treaty etc etc to my newspaper (which is the most informative locally) I often find pertinent facts misconstrued or ignored. I am sure if every American read the preamble to the treaty they would be upset by the stated intent.

I do not repeat things I consider inaccurate or gossip or illogical and also if I feel the fact could undermine the faith in our form of government. I did want to point out that I truly feel the facts involving Oswald, Ruby etc should be made public. I presume after Ruby is tried & after Warren's commission has finished their investigation the records will be public. I have heard & read that these facts are being withheld only to "keep the peace" & not upset the public by its Communist implications. I do not think this could be true because of the general opinion that it was a plot or conspiracy.

Also, we Americans have so much faith in the ability of the FBI, that we still can not understand why a commission was set up as it would surely duplicate your work.

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I also read Mrs. Oswald is the daughter of a Colonel in the Soviet Intelligence Agency. Knowing that in a Communist country no one goes anywhere unless for a purpose or as a member of the party, this coupled with the relative association present some implications of premeditation.

Regardless, the rumors are out the true facts ascertained should be made public - if not involving "security" problems. The truth is much better than speculation.

Thank you.

Elaine Wagner
508 Patterson Ave
Glendale

Letter postmarked May 8, 1964
Glendale, California

D. W. Hoover:

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Thank you.

Clair Wagner
304 Patterson Ave
Opendale

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May 21, 1964

**Miss Elaine Wagner
508 Patterson Avenue
Glendale, California**

Dear Miss Wagner:

Your letter of May 8th and enclosure have been received.

The motives prompting your forwarding this newspaper and your observations are very much appreciated, and you may be assured this Bureau is making every effort to continue to discharge its responsibilities with the highest degree of thoroughness and dispatch.

For your information, our report concerning the assassination of President Kennedy and related matters has been forwarded to the Presidential Commission. The Commission has been charged with the responsibility of making a finding in this case. Further dissemination of this material, therefore, will rest with the Commission.

Sincerely yours,

**J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover
Director**

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MAY 20 1964
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NOTE: The newspaper "Magyar Elet (Hungarian Life)" is not identifiable in Bufiles. Correspondent forwarded an issue dated 5/2/64. It is published at 501-A Bloor Street, West, in Toronto, Ontario, Canada, and its Editor is Marton Kiss/Kerecsendi. The clipping in question states that witnesses to the murder of President Kennedy do not fit the description of Oswald, according to a committee of private individuals organized for investigation of the affair.

One prior letter has been received from correspondent 4-11-64 in which she was most commendatory regarding the Director and his book "Masters of Deceit." Bulet 4/20/64 thanked her and sent general publications on the subject of communism. (94-5-54310) No other references.

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FBI

Date: 5/21/64

Transmit the following in _____
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Via AIRTEL REGISTERED MAIL
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (105-82555)
FROM: SAC, MIAMI (105-8342) (P)
SUBJECT: LEE HARVEY OSWALD
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ReBuairtel to Miami, 5/15/64, requesting status of efforts by Dr. LUIS CONTE AGUERTO to contact JOSE FRA ALONSO in Cuba regarding allegation that Mexican named "DUGLAS" was involved in assassination.

On 5/20/64, Dr. LUIS CONTE AGUERO advised that no information has been received from FRA as result of broadcasts made by CONTE in his nightly radio program to Cuba.

[REDACTED] has advised that he personally heard the messages on CONTE's program to X del FRAC requesting additional information. Source heard broadcasts during period of 4/22 - 26/64.

Dr. CONTE still expects to receive letter from FRA. He explained that, according to HUMBERTO HERNANDEZ, personal friend of FRA at Miami Beach, PEDRO PEREZ, the letter writer for FRA, was recruited by Cuban Government to cut sugar cane and will return to Havana in near future. Dr. CONTE states PEREZ is the source of information regarding the Mexican named "DUGLAS" and that PEREZ is a member of the group headed by FRA. Dr. CONTE believes PEREZ obtained his information by contacts at the University of Havana or with individuals employed at the university.

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Dr. CONTE said he broadcast request to X del FRAC at least five times requesting follow-up information.

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Special Agent in Charge

Sent _____ M Per _____

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Miami will keep in touch with Dr. CONTE but there is no assurance any further contact will be received from X del FRAC. Miami will by 6/1/64, in absence of any other development, interview HUMBERTO HERNANDEZ, 1555 Pennsylvania Ave., Miami Beach, for information to evaluate the "DUGLAS" story.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Director, FBI (105-82555)

DATE: 5/18/64

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

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SUBJECT: LEE HARVEY OSWALD, aka
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Exempt from GDS, Category II
Date of Declassification Indefinite 1/13/77
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Enclosed herewith to the Bureau are twelve (12) copies of a letterhead memorandum, dated and captioned as above. U

REFERENCES

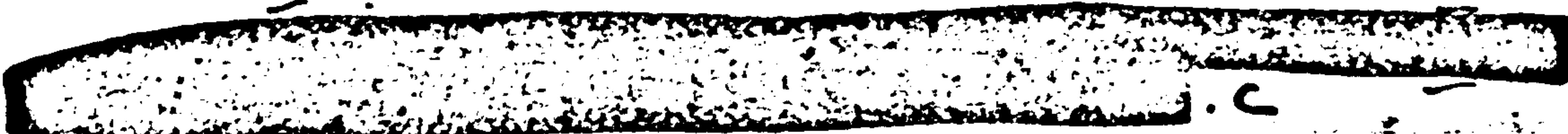
Bureau cable dated 4/30/64, No. 68; letter to the Director from the President's Commission General Counsel, J. LEE RANKIN, dated 4/24/64. U

ADMINISTRATIVE

On the basis of a specific request from the President's Commission, as recorded in referenced letter investigation was conducted in Mexico City in an effort to determine whether or not any verification could be obtained with respect to the allegation that LEE HARVEY OSWALD had visited "some museums" in Mexico City. U

SOURCES

The confidential source abroad, referred to in the enclosure, is the Legal Attache, Mexico City file 105-3702, which furnished the basis for inquiry. U



The confidential source abroad who conducted inquiry at the National Museum of Natural History is



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The enclosed letterhead memorandum is classified "CONFIDENTIAL" in order to protect Bureau [redacted] and investigative activity by Bureau personnel in connection with this case.

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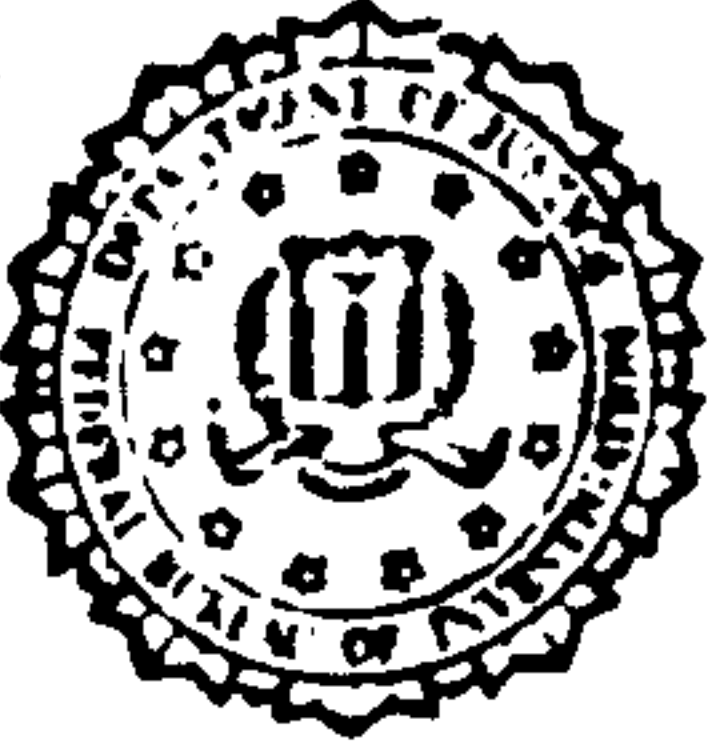
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Will continue to pursue and report all investigative leads relating to this case. U

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

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May 18, 1964

LEE HARVEY OSWALD

BASIS FOR INQUIRY

The inquiries recorded hereinunder were conducted on the basis of information received from a confidential source abroad to the effect that LEE HARVEY OSWALD was alleged to have visited "some museums" during the time he was in Mexico City from September 27 to October 2, 1963.

INQUIRIES AT PRINCIPAL AND MOST ACCESSIBLE MUSEUMS

The information which follows was provided by a confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past and who explained that, while he had made a thorough survey of personnel at the various museums mentioned, all located in Mexico City, he had not always been able to obtain the names and in some instances the complete names of individuals interviewed, because of their sensitivity to questions concerning their identities and insistence upon receiving an explanation as to the manner in which their names would be utilized prior to furnishing same. He explained that he had desisted from inquiring further concerning their full names when he encountered resistance in connection therewith.

MUSEUM OF NATIONAL HISTORY
(MUSEO NACIONAL DE HISTORIA)

Photographs of OSWALD were displayed to the following persons at the Museum of National History located near the Chapultepec Castle, Chapultepec Park, without locating anyone who could recall his having visited the museum at any time:

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AGUSTIN ZARATE, ticket salesman and
collector mornings
RAYMUNDO ESPINOSA, ticket salesman
and collector afternoons
LUIS BANDA, guide
SALVADOR BRAVO, guide
JOSE BRITO, guide
LUIS ESTRADA, caretaker
JESUS BLANCAS, caretaker
LUIS ARELLANO, caretaker
JUAN MARTINEZ, caretaker
NICOLAS JIMENEZ, caretaker
RAMON AVILA, caretaker
ALBINO TEPUJE, caretaker
JOAQUIN M. OCAMPO, caretaker
ANTONIO MUNGUIA, caretaker
ARTURO LANGLE, Assistant Director
BERTOLDO TORRES ALDANA, caretaker of
parking area
BARTOLOME CASTILLO, elevator operator
Eight other individuals who have business
concessions in the area of the museum
and whose complete names were not obtained.

NATIONAL MUSEUM OF ANTHROPOLOGY AND HISTORY
(MUSEO NACIONAL DE ANTROPOLOGIA Y HISTORIA)

The foregoing museum is located in the heart of Mexico City near the Government Square (Zocalo) at Calle de la Moneda No. 13. Photographs of LEE HARVEY OSWALD were shown to the following personnel thereof without locating anyone who could recall his having been a visitor at that establishment:

Mr. FLORES, guide
Mr. AVILA, guide
Mr. GUZMAN, ticket seller
Mr. HAYDES, ticket seller
Mr. POMPA, librarian
JUAN BALTAZAR, caretaker and security
Mr. VARELA, caretaker
AGUSTIN MIJARES, caretaker
FRANCISCO CARDENAS, caretaker

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MARCIAL ROJAS HERNANDEZ, caretaker
Miss SOFIA GOMEZ, director of Office of
Public Relations, sale of post cards,
booklets, official publications, etc.

Most of the persons interviewed were able to recognize the photographs of OSWALD from having seen them in the newspapers, but they were unable to remember his having visited the museum.

BENITO JUAREZ MUSEUM
(MUSEO RECINTO DE JUAREZ)

This museum is at the National Palace (Government Offices). It was determined that there are few employees, as no charge is made for admission. A review of the museum registration book failed to develop any information identifiable with OSWALD. The following employees were shown photographs of OSWALD and stated that they did not remember his having visited the museum:

Mr. BETANCOURT, caretaker of the
registration book
Mr. MUNOZ, librarian
Miss AURITA, assistant librarian
Mr. MANZANILLA, caretaker
ANDRES ROMO, caretaker
ENRIQUE ROMO, caretaker

THE INTERAMERICAN INDIGENOUS INSTITUTE
(INSTITUTO INDIGENISTA INTERAMERICANO)

The foregoing establishment is at Calle Ninos Heroes 139. Photographs of OSWALD were displayed to the following persons connected therewith without locating anyone who could recall him as a visitor to the Institute:

Mr. SODI, office employee
Mr. CANTU, office employee
Mrs. HOLEY, office employee
Mrs. DERBES, office employee
Mrs. AGUILAR, office employee

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Miss OBREGON, librarian
JULIAN RUIZ, caretaker
FELIPE RUIZ, policeman at entrance
ROGELIO CALERO, car watchman
BALDOMERO CASTRO, car watchman
MARCELINO NOGUEDA, car watchman
LINO HERNANDEZ, car watchman
Six or seven other persons who operate
concessions or commercial establishments
in the vicinity of the entrance to the
museum.

THE ETHNOGRAPHIC MUSEUM
(MUSEO ETNOGRAFICO - Ruins of an
Aztec Temple)

This museum is located at the corner of Guatemala
and Seminario Streets.

It was determined that only two employees are present
on a regular basis, IGNACIO SENDRERO, ticket vendor on duty at
the entrance, and EDULIO JUAREZ, caretaker, both of whom viewed
photographs of OSWALD without being able to remember him as
anyone who had visited the establishment.

THE WAX MUSEUM
(MUSEO DE CERA)

The foregoing is located at Calle Argentina (no
number) and there are only two employees on duty who function
as ticket vendors and caretakers. GUSTAVO HERNANDEZ and
CONSUELO HERNANDEZ, after viewing photographs of OSWALD, advised
they could not recall him as having been a visitor at the Wax
Museum.

NATIONAL MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY
(MUSEO NACIONAL DE LA HISTORIA NATURAL)

The following information was obtained by a
confidential source abroad:

The Museum of Natural History is located at Calle
Dr. Enrique Gonzalez Martinez No. 10 and on April 16, 1964,

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ALFONSO MANCILLA GOMEZ advised that he is the caretaker at that museum, a position which he has occupied for the past twenty-five years. He related that few American tourists visit the museum and that he follows the practice of spending some time assisting and explaining the interesting exhibits of the institution to those tourists who do appear there. He stated that he believed he would remember most American visitors, and upon viewing a photograph of OSWALD, advised that he could not recall him as a visitor at the museum and did not believe he had ever seen him at the Museum of Natural History.

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