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June 9, 1964

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

Dear Mr. Rankin:

Reference is made to your letter of May 20, 1964, requesting this Bureau to conduct additional investigation regarding Marina Oswald's statement that shortly after April 10, 1963, Lee Harvey Oswald expressed an interest in attacking Mr. Richard Nixon.

Our letter of June 4, 1964, and the enclosures thereto, reported that Mr. Lyndon B. Johnson, then Vice President of the United States, visited Dallas, Texas, on April 23, 1963, for the purpose of delivering the major address at the second Annual National Aeronautics and Space Administration Manned Space Flight Conference. We indicated that we were recontacting Marina Oswald to ascertain if she was possibly confused when she indicated on February 24, 1964, that approximately two weeks after the General Walker incident of April 10, 1963, Lee Harvey Oswald contemplated attacking Mr. Nixon. We also indicated we would question Marina Oswald in detail to determine if there is any possibility Oswald meant to attack Mr. Johnson rather than Mr. Nixon.

Enclosed are two copies of a memorandum dated June 9, 1964, at Dallas, Texas, which sets out results of our contact with Marina Oswald in this matter.

This concludes our investigation in this particular inquiry.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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Honorable J. Lee Rankin

NOTE:

Marina Oswald informed us Lee Harvey Oswald admitted to her an attempted assassination of General Walker on the evening of April 10, 1963. Marina also told us on 2/24/64 that approximately two weeks after the Walker incident Oswald indicated he was going to attack Nixon, but she locked him in the bathroom to prevent him following through with such an attempt. Our investigation disclosed Nixon was not in Dallas during the period mentioned by Marina, but Mr. Johnson was in Dallas during the pertinent period. We recontacted Marina to determine if she was confused between Nixon and Johnson and she stated she is positive Oswald said "Nixon." Marina also told us she was very familiar with the name "Nixon" because of Nixon's visit to Russia when he was Vice President of the U. S. She added she had not gained any familiarity with the name of Mr. Johnson until after the assassination of President Kennedy.

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TO : Mr. Tolson

DATE: May 9, 1964

FROM : A. H. Belmont

SUBJECT:

Attached is a copy of the transcript of my testimony before the President's Commission on the Assassination of President Kennedy. I have marked in red pencil the changes, primarily typos and misspellings, which we will call to the attention of Mr. Stern in accordance with his request.

On Page 6163 and 6164 the Commission suggested we change our Manual of Instructions to replace the word "and" to "or" in two places. The change is being made and will be sent out to the field early next week.

On Page 6193 Mr. Dulles mentioned the book "Who Killed Kennedy" by Thomas G. Buchanan. He said the Commission would make a copy available to us and he would like our comments. The Commission has not yet given the book to us and we will follow up on this on Monday, May 11.

Starting on Page 6202 Chairman Warren referred to an article in the "National Enquirer" by John Henshaw. This article was sent to us by the Commission for comment. We interviewed Chief Curry, of the Dallas Police Department and he branded portions of the story as false and we have sent a letter to the Commission to that effect. We are analyzing the remainder of the article and will furnish our comments to the Commission.

Starting on Page 6143 there is a discussion of the Bureau file on Oswald up to the date of the assassination. The Commission decided that the Commission staff members would determine how many of the documents in this file the Commission already has and then would decide which, if any, of the remaining serials are necessary for the Commission. Mr. Stern of the Commission staff has advised he is working on this and will consult with us Monday, May 11.

For information.

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TO : Mr. Belmont

DATE: May 14, 1964

FROM : A. Rosen

SUBJECT: BOOK ENTITLED "WHO KILLED KENNEDY"

Memorandum dated May 9, 1964, from Mr. Belmont to Mr. Tolson referred to the book "Who Killed Kennedy" by Thomas G. Buchanan. The Commission indicated a copy of the book would be made available to the Bureau for the Bureau's comments.

Today, while at the President's Commission, Mr. Samuel Stern advised Malley that the only copy the Commission had of this book had been taken by the Commission Chairman, Chief Justice Earl Warren, and no other copies were available.

Malley was advised by Director of CIA John McCone and Dick Helms of CIA that CIA was attempting to get a number of copies of this book and would try and have them in the mail from Europe tonight. Mr. Helms stated upon receipt a copy of the book would be immediately made available to the Bureau.

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 Oswald*

Dear Mr. Rankin:

Reference is made to the request of the Commission for this Bureau to review the book, "Who Killed Kennedy?" by Thomas G. Buchanan.

Attached are two copies of a memorandum dated June 3, 1964, at Washington, D. C., containing certain claims made by Buchanan on the assassination of President Kennedy that are not substantiated by the results of our inquiry. For your information, Buchanan presents no factual material which would contradict the results of our inquiry in the assassination matter or which would substantiate Buchanan's speculation that a conspiracy was involved in the assassination of President Kennedy.

Also, enclosed is a copy of the French version of Buchanan's book entitled "The Assassins of Kennedy." Copies of the English and French versions indicate that they contain the same allegations although the wordage varies in length. It is noted that the French version contains several photographs attributed to the French newspaper "L'Express," which carried the Buchanan articles previously furnished to you.

Background information concerning Buchanan from the files of this Bureau was furnished you by my letter dated March 17, 1964.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

NOTE: See cover memorandum W. A. Branigan to W. C. Sullivan, 5/28/64, captioned "Who Killed Kennedy?" Book by Thomas G. Buchanan, prepared

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**"WHO KILLED KENNEDY?"**  
By Thomas G. Buchanan

**CLAIMS AND RESULTS OF INVESTIGATION**

**1. CLAIM:** The railway overpass toward which the President's motorcade was heading when the assassination shots were fired was left unguarded on November 22, 1963, "contrary to the most elementary security provisions." Page 81.

**INVESTIGATION:** Our inquiry shows that the railway overpass was guarded by a patrolman of the Dallas Police Department on November 22, 1963, at the time the President's motorcade approached that point. In addition, there were several individuals who were on the overpass at the time the President was killed. None of the above individuals has furnished any evidence that an assassin fired at the President from the overpass.

**2. CLAIM:** The doctors who attended President Kennedy at Parkland Memorial Hospital, Dallas, reportedly told reporters that the first shot struck the President in the throat from the front and that the second shot struck the right side of his head, apparently coming from behind the President's car. According to Buchanan, several weeks after the assassination doctors at Parkland Memorial Hospital, following a visit by Secret Service Agents showing them a document described as the autopsy report at Bethesda Naval Hospital, retracted their original statement concerning the nature of the throat wound. These doctors also stated that a new wound discovered at the autopsy had not been noticed in Dallas inasmuch as President Kennedy was lying on his back during efforts made to sustain his life and a back wound consequently would have been hidden from them. Pages 82-86.

**INVESTIGATION:** Doctors at Parkland Memorial Hospital did not retract previous statements made by them but did state that their efforts had been directed at keeping the President alive and not at performing an autopsy. The autopsy report prepared at

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the Bethesda Naval Hospital concludes that the throat wound was an exit-type wound and that all the bullets striking President Kennedy were fired from a point behind him.

3. **CLAIM:** Oswald was one of the worst shots in the Marines or for that matter in any other military service. Page 81.

**INVESTIGATION:** Buchanan himself has stated that Oswald was in the "sharpshooter" class in his shooting in the Marine Corps. In addition, Buchanan has admitted that the "sharpshooter" class is an intermediate class between "expert" on the top and "marksman" on the bottom.

4. **CLAIM:** The FBI denied reports that Oswald had been seen repeatedly driving a car into a Dallas rifle range for target practice. Page 91.

**INVESTIGATION:** The FBI has made no such public denial. However, our investigation has shown that Oswald was lacking in ability to drive a car.

5. **CLAIM:** The FBI in an off-the-record briefing denied that palmprints were found on the rifle associated with the assassination of President Kennedy. Page 93.

**INVESTIGATION:** The FBI made no such denial. As a matter of fact, the FBI Identification Division identified a latent impression taken by the Dallas Police Department from the barrel of the rifle as the right palmprint of Oswald. It is noted that Mark Lane, in the "National Guardian" of December 19, 1963, alleged that the FBI in off-the-record briefings had announced that "no palm prints were found on the rifle."

6. **CLAIM:** The paraffin test made of Oswald's hands and right cheek following his arrest by the Dallas Police Department showed a residue of gunpowder on his hands but none on his cheek. Therefore, according to Buchanan, the test proves that Oswald could not have fired a rifle inasmuch as the rifle would have deposited residue of gunpowder on his right cheek. Pages 93-96.

**INVESTIGATION:** The paraffin test has been found by the FBI Laboratory to be extremely unreliable and inconclusive as to whether or not a person has fired a weapon.

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7. CLAIM: A photographer filmed the sixth-floor window of the Texas School Book Depository building at 12:30 the day of the assassination. This photograph shows two silhouettes in the stockroom and a clock on top of the building indicating the time as 12:30. Pages 96-97.

INVESTIGATION: Such a photograph is not known to the FBI. However, the FBI has a copy of a photographic print made from a movie film reportedly taken at the assassination scene. In the print an object appears in the window from which the assassination shots were fired. This photograph has been examined by the FBI Laboratory and the U.S. Navy Photographic Interpretation Center, Suitland, Maryland, and the conclusion was reached that the image seen in the window does not depict the form of a person or persons and is probably a stack of boxes later determined to have been in the room. No clock on top of the building appears in this photograph.

8. CLAIM: No employee who had access to the lunchroom at the Texas School Book Depository would have eaten his lunch on the sixth floor - "especially not Oswald, since it risked additional incrimination." However, an "outsider," hiding for a period of time prior to the assassination in the room on the sixth floor, would have required food. Pages 96-98.

INVESTIGATION: An employee of the Texas School Book Depository has advised that he ate lunch near the third double window on the southeast corner of the building on the sixth floor, sometime between 11:30 a.m. and 12 noon on November 22, 1963. The employee has stated that he left the remnants of his lunch, including bones of fried chicken, near the window after he had finished eating. He has also stated that he left the sixth floor a few minutes after noon to join two fellow employees who were eating their lunch on the fifth floor of the building. He has stated that he did not see Oswald or anyone else at the windows on the south side of the building during the time he was on the sixth floor for lunch.

9. CLAIM: Oswald would have had to have been "the fastest runner since the great Olympic title holder, Jesse Owens," to have fired the assassination shots, hidden the rifle on the sixth floor, descended to the second floor lunchroom, and obtained a soft drink from a dispensing machine before the building superintendent, Roy S. Truly, and a Dallas policeman confronted Oswald at the second floor lunchroom. Pages 98-100.

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**INVESTIGATION:** A survey was conducted by FBI Agents to determine the time taken by various routes and speeds to follow Oswald's actions immediately after the assassination shots. It is noted that the survey was conducted at a fast walk except in areas where an individual would have walked at a normal pace so as not to arouse suspicion. The survey showed that, walking from the window on the sixth floor via stairways, it would have taken Oswald about one minute and forty-five seconds to reach the front door of the Texas School Book Depository. The longest period of time to make the same journey, allowing 30 seconds in the lunchroom and involving the use of a passenger elevator for part of the descent to the second floor, was found to be three minutes and forty-nine seconds. It is noted that Truly has advised that he and the police officer arrived at the lunchroom on the second floor of the building in about two or three minutes after the assassination took place.

**10. CLAIM:** The assassin who fired at President Kennedy from the railway overpass fled the scene and left the murder weapon on that bridge behind him. Page 107.

**INVESTIGATION:** Our investigation has failed to develop any indication that a second rifle used in the assassination was found near the railway overpass and that a second assassin was involved in the killing of President Kennedy.

**11. CLAIM:** The name of the rifle used in the assassination appeared on the rifle. Page 108.

**INVESTIGATION:** Examination of the rifle used in the assassination does not reveal the name of the manufacturer of the weapon. However, it is noted that there is an inscription thereon that the rifle was made in Italy.

**12. CLAIM:** The Post Office Box in Dallas to which Oswald had the rifle mailed was kept under both his name and that of "A. Hidell." Page 111.

**INVESTIGATION:** Our investigation has revealed that Oswald did not indicate on his application that others, including an "A. Hidell," would receive mail through the box in question, which was Post Office Box 2915 in Dallas. This box was obtained by Oswald on October 9, 1962, and relinquished by him on May 14, 1963.

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**13. CLAIM:** A detailed and "remarkably correct description" of Oswald was sent out over the police radio in Dallas at 12:36 p.m., November 22, 1963. Pages 114-116.

**INVESTIGATION:** The radio logs of the Dallas Police Department and the Dallas County Sheriff's Office show that no description of Oswald or any suspect in the assassination was broadcast at 12:36 p.m., November 22, 1963. Beginning at 12:43 p.m. and 12:49 p.m., respectively, and continuing until Oswald was taken into custody, the Dallas Police Department and the Dallas County Sheriff's Office broadcast descriptions of an unnamed suspect described as a slender white male, 30 years old, five feet ten inches tall, 155 or 165 pounds, who was possibly carrying a rifle. This suspect was reportedly seen running from the Texas School Book Depository after the assassination. A description of Oswald taken from background information and the autopsy report on him indicates he was 24 years old, five feet nine inches tall, weighed an estimated 150 pounds and had brown hair and blue-gray eyes. Although the descriptions broadcast approximated Oswald's height and weight, those descriptions were not accurate as to his age and lacked specific details regarding the colors of his hair and eyes. No broadcasts were made before Oswald's arrest that named Oswald as a suspect or gave a description of him. It is also noted that inquiry has shown that Oswald did not become a suspect until he was reported missing from the book building at approximately 12:50 p.m.

**14. CLAIM:** Police knew Oswald's boardinghouse address, 1026 North Beckley Street. The sources of his address were the records of the Texas School Book Depository, the "Red Squad" of the Dallas Police Department, and the FBI, which had been given that address by Mrs. Ruth Paine, with whom Oswald's wife was living at the time. Page 119.

**INVESTIGATION:** The records of the Texas School Book Depository did not show his address as 1026 North Beckley Street, but did contain Mrs. Paine's residence in Irving, Texas, as his address. The Dallas Police Department has denied that it had any record of Oswald prior to the time of the assassination. Also, Mrs. Paine had not advised the FBI of Oswald's boardinghouse address prior to the assassination.

**15. CLAIM:** Dallas Police Officer J. D. Tippit was not in favor with his superiors in the Dallas Police Department and had gone ten years without a promotion. Page 120.

**INVESTIGATION:** A copy of the Dallas Police Department file on Police Officer J. D. Tippit furnished by that Department has been reviewed by this Bureau. While the file shows that

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disciplinary action was taken against Tippit on several occasions, it contains no information that he was "out of favor." The file, however, shows that Tippit had received several commendations for his performance of duty both from civilian sources and from the Dallas Police Department. Superiors and associates have advised that he was an average officer who was well liked and was not overly ambitious. Several associates have stated that Tippit had taken promotional examinations but they had no information as to the results. A review of the file fails to disclose any reference to promotional examinations offered or taken by Tippit. While he was not promoted to a grade higher than patrolman, Tippit did receive so-called "service" raises in salary on a periodic basis.

**16. CLAIM:** Police Officer Tippit, Jack Ruby and Oswald all lived within a few blocks of each other. Page 121.

**INVESTIGATION:** A survey by the Dallas Office of this Bureau has indicated that by the most direct routes available, Tippit's residence was seven miles from Ruby's residence and from Oswald's boardinghouse and that the distance between Ruby's residence and Oswald's boardinghouse was one and three-tenths miles.

**17. CLAIM:** Jack Ruby and Dallas Police Officer Tippit were described by Ruby's sister, Mrs. Eva Grant, to reporters as "like two brothers." Page 121.

**INVESTIGATION:** Mrs. Grant has stated that at no time before or after the assassination has she made such a statement to any reporter or group of reporters. She has also advised that she would not make such a statement under any circumstances, since it would be completely untrue and without foundation.

**18. CLAIM:** There are standing orders for police in Dallas as in other cities that radio cars of the type Tippit was driving must have two policemen in them. Page 121.

**INVESTIGATION:** It is true that Tippit was alone in his police car; however, it has been determined from officials of the Dallas Police Department that their policy requires about 80 percent of the patrolmen working the day shift, 7 a.m. to 3 p.m., as Tippit was on the day of the assassination, to work alone and that Tippit was one of the patrolmen assigned to work alone on that day.

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19. **CLAIM:** Tippit was violating another order not to drive out of the sector of the city to which he had been assigned. Tippit was meant to be in downtown Dallas at the time he intercepted Oswald, shortly after Oswald had left his boardinghouse at 1026 North Beckley Street. Page 122.

**INVESTIGATION:** A review of Tippit's file in the Dallas Police Department and the radio log of that Department does not show that Tippit should have been in downtown Dallas at the time he confronted Oswald. The radio log shows that at 12:54 p.m. he advised the police radio dispatcher he was in the Oak Cliff area and that he was told to remain available for any emergency coming in. The Dallas Police file on Tippit shows that Tippit was moved from his regular area to cover an area closer to the assassination scene.

20. **CLAIM:** There are witnesses - "anonymous, it seems" - who saw Oswald run into a vacant lot, eject the spent shells from his revolver after shooting, and reload that revolver. Page 126.

**INVESTIGATION:** Our inquiry has developed witnesses and these witnesses, not anonymous as claimed by Buchanan, have advised that they saw Oswald apparently trying to unload his revolver near the location where Tippit was shot.

21. **CLAIM:** Oswald was arrested in the Texas Theater at 1:36 p.m. on November 22, 1963. Page 126.

**INVESTIGATION:** The radio log of the Dallas Police Department shows that Oswald was reported in the Texas Theater at 1:45 p.m., by a squad car. The same radio log shows that shortly after 1:51 p.m., the radio dispatcher received a report of the arrest of Oswald. The radio log of the Dallas County Sheriff's Office shows that at 1:53 p.m., the report was given that Oswald had been taken into custody.

22. **CLAIM:** The Dallas Police officers who arrested Oswald "beat him up" after they had disarmed him. Page 126.

**INVESTIGATION:** A Special Agent of this Bureau on the scene at the time of the arrest of Oswald has advised that Oswald was not mistreated and that no force was used to subdue him other than that necessary to overcome his armed resistance.

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23. **CLAIM:** Oswald was first questioned "exclusively about the Tippit murder." Police, as long as they were able to maintain the prisoner in isolation, permitted him to think that he was just a suspect in that murder. Page 127.

**INVESTIGATION:** Special Agents of this Bureau were present during the early hours of questioning of Oswald at Dallas Police Headquarters, at which time Oswald vigorously denied having shot President Kennedy and Tippit.

24. **CLAIM:** Oswald insisted on his right to see a lawyer, making this demand before reporters, yet for two days of "persistent questioning" this right was "relentlessly denied him." Page 127.

**INVESTIGATION:** Oswald was advised following his arrest of his right to counsel by both a Dallas police officer and by FBI Agents present during the early interrogation of Oswald. Oswald, when arraigned at about 7 p.m., November 22, 1963, was advised by Justice of the Peace David Johnston of his right to an attorney's services. Late that night representatives of the Dallas Civil Liberties Union went to the Dallas Police Department and later departed satisfied that Oswald had been advised of this right. There is no indication Oswald made any attempt to contact an attorney on November 22, 1963. Again on November 23, 1963, Oswald was advised by a Dallas police official of his right to have an attorney. At that time Oswald indicated he wished to call attorney John J. Abt of New York City. He was taken from his cell on three separate occasions on that date to place collect calls via public telephones in the Dallas Police Headquarters, but on each occasion he was unable to make contact with Abt in New York City. Abt is an attorney who has represented the Communist Party, USA, in its litigation on several occasions with the Government of the U. S.

25. **CLAIM:** The Texas School Book Depository is owned and operated by the city government of Dallas and, therefore, Oswald was a municipal employee. Pages 131, 143, 151 and 155.

**INVESTIGATION:** The Texas School Book Depository is not a government agency of any municipality, county, state or Federal jurisdiction. It is a private concern which receives and distributes books to its various customers, including educational institutions. Therefore, Oswald, in his employment at the Texas School Book Depository, was not a municipal employee.

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26. CLAIM: Among the papers found on Oswald by the Dallas Police Department was the name of Joseph Hosty of the Dallas Office of the FBI. In addition, information on papers found on Oswald recorded Hosty's home telephone number, office telephone number and car license number. This information appeared in the "Houston Post" and the source was reported to be Assistant District Attorney William Alexander. Page 149.

INVESTIGATION: The Hosty referred to by Buchanan is undoubtedly Special Agent James P. Hosty, Jr., of our Dallas Office. Oswald's address directory, which was found by the Dallas Police Department in Oswald's boardinghouse room, did not contain Special Agent Hosty's home telephone number. The directory did contain, however, his correct name, the telephone number and street address of the Dallas FBI Office, and the entry "MU 8605" or "MV 8605." Special Agent Hosty gave his name and the Dallas Office telephone number and street address to Mrs. Ruth Paine in contacting her on November 1, 1963, regarding Oswald's residence. Mrs. Paine has stated that she gave that data to Oswald. Marina Oswald has stated that she recorded Special Agent Hosty's license number on an occasion when he was at the Paine residence and gave it to Oswald. The 1962 license number of the automobile assigned to Special Agent Hosty on November 1, 1963, was MU 8605.

27. CLAIM: The "Philadelphia Inquirer" of December 8, 1963, contained an article stating that Hosty had seen Oswald shortly after he had left New Orleans in September, 1963. Page 149.

INVESTIGATION: Special Agent Hosty has furnished an affidavit stating that at no time prior to the assassination of President Kennedy had he ever seen or talked to Oswald. In addition, Hosty stated that he had never made any attempt to develop him as an informant or source of information.

28. CLAIM: Oswald was a double agent. Page 149.

INVESTIGATION: The Director of the FBI, John Edgar Hoover, has furnished the Commission with an affidavit categorically denying that Oswald was ever an informant of the FBI, was ever assigned a symbol number in that capacity, and was ever paid any amount of money by the FBI in any regard. It is noted that the Central Intelligence Agency has denied that Oswald was ever associated with it in any capacity.

29. CLAIM: The Walter-McCarran Act specifically calls for anyone who has attempted to renounce his U.S. citizenship to file an affidavit stating why he believes he should receive a U.S. passport. Page 151.

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INVESTIGATION: The Internal Security Act of 1950 (Walter-McCarran Act) contains no reference to an affidavit required by a U.S. citizen who has attempted to expatriate himself.

30. CLAIM: It appears that the FBI knew Oswald possessed the alleged assassination rifle prior to the assassination of President Kennedy because it would seem unlikely that within one day the FBI could trace the rifle as coming from a mail order house in Chicago. Page 153.

INVESTIGATION: The FBI had no knowledge that Oswald possessed the assassination rifle prior to the assassination of President Kennedy. The tracing of the rifle purchased by Oswald under an assumed name from the mail order house in Chicago was completed by the FBI on November 23, 1963, regardless of Buchanan's claim.

31. CLAIM: Oswald's rifle was not taken away from him even though on April 10, 1963, there was good reason to suspect he had already used it to attempt to kill General Edwin A. Walker. Page 153.

INVESTIGATION: The FBI did not investigate the attempted assassination of General Walker on April 10, 1963, and had no reason to regard Oswald as a suspect in that attempted murder until December 3, 1963, when Marina Oswald furnished information that Oswald had, on the night in question, attempted to kill General Walker. The Dallas Police Department has also indicated that it had no record of Oswald prior to the assassination and had never developed or considered Oswald as a suspect in the attempted shooting of General Walker.

32. CLAIM: It can be inferred from the fact that General Walker's name and telephone number were in Oswald's notebook that Oswald and General Walker were known to each other. Page 154.

INVESTIGATION: Our investigation has developed no indication that Oswald and General Walker were known to each other. General Walker has been publicly quoted as saying he did not know anything about Oswald until Oswald was arrested for the assassination of the President.

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ReRep SA ROBERT P. GEMBERLING, 5/28/64, at Dallas.

The Bureau, New Orleans and San Antonio are requested to make the following correction in their copies of rerep:

Page 54, paragraph 2, line 3, "motorcade" should be motorcade.

Dallas copies corrected.

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Special Agent in Charge

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PRESIDENT'S COMMISSION  
ON THE  
ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY

200 Maryland Ave. N.E.  
Washington, D.C. 20002  
Telephone 543-1400

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

Dear Mr. Hoover:

Reference is made to your letter of May 26, 1964, enclosing three photographs of Commission Exhibits 840 through 862. Also enclosed in this letter were the original exhibits numbered 844 through 862. These originals should have been retained by the Bureau and are therefore returned to you herewith.

Sincerely,

*J. Lee Rankin*  
J. Lee Rankin  
General Counsel

Enclosures

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- 843 Photograph of permanent tract produced in gelatin tissue model by 6.5 mm Mannlicher-Carcano ball fired at 90-yard range.
- 845 Photograph of permanent tract produced in gelatin tissue model by 7.62 mm ball, M20, fired from M14 rifle fired at 100 m range.
- 846 Photograph of permanent tract produced in gelatin tissue model by cal. .257 Roberts soft point hunting bullet fired at 100 m range.
- 847 Photograph of setup for measuring exit velocities from animal tissues.
- 848 Photograph of setup for measuring exit velocities from clothing-covered gelatin tissue model.
- 849 Photograph of typical permanent cavity produced in gelatin by bullet at 60-yard range.
- 850 Photograph of holes in goatskin produced by bullets before passing through 13.5 to 14.5 cm of animal tissue (left) and upon leaving the tissue (right).
- 851 X-ray of comminuted fracture of 8th left rib of goat.
- 852 Photograph of comminuted fracture of goat rib at 75-yard range.
- 853 Bullet which was fired through goat.
- 854 X-ray of comminuted fracture of human radius.
- 855 Photograph of comminuted fracture of human radius at 70-yard range.
- 856 Bullet that caused damage shown in Commission Exhibits Nos. 851 and 855.
- 857 Two bullet fragments recovered from cotton waste outside gelatin covered skull used to catch the fragments.
- 858 Photograph of fragments of 6.5 mm Mannlicher-Carcano ball which struck gelatin filled skull depicted in Commission Exhibit No. 860 at 90-yard range.
- 859 Photograph of fragments of 6.5 mm Mannlicher-Carcano ball recovered from gelatin filled skull depicted in Commission Exhibit No. 860 at 90-yard range.
- 860 Photograph of gelatin coated and filled human skull viewed from rear - unclipped goatskin used to simulate scalp.
- 861 Photograph of skull - gelatin removed from outside - entire right side of cranium blown away.
- 862 Photograph of front view of skull - bullet exited near supraorbital ridge at 90-yard range.

ENCLOSURE



1 - Mr. Belmont  
1 - Mr. Rosen  
1 - Mr. Lenihan  
1 - Mr. Rogge

1 - Mr. Conrad  
1 - Mr. Griffith  
1 - Mr. Japsen  
1 - Mr. Frazier

June 4, 1964

By Courier Service

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

*Lee Rankin*

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Dear Mr. Rankin:

Reference is made to your letter of June 1, 1964, enclosing the original Commission Exhibits numbered 844 through 862.

In keeping with an understanding between you and Inspector S. W. Malley of this Bureau, Commission Exhibits numbered 844 through 862 are being retained herewith.

Sincerely yours,

Enclosures (19)

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NOTE: Commission Exhibits numbered 844 through 862 are being returned pursuant to a discussion with Inspector Malley and in accordance with a conversation between Mr. Belmont and Mr. Conrad.

It was previously agreed that the Bureau would retain only those Commission Exhibits originally obtained by the Bureau.

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# Memorandum

TO : Mr. Belmont

DATE: June 4, 1964

FROM : A. Rosen

- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. Rosen
- 1 - Mr. Malley
- 1 - Mr. Shroder
- 1 - Mr. Rogge
- 1 - Mr. C. D. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. W. C. Sullivan

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SUBJECT: ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT  
JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY  
NOVEMBER 22, 1963 DALLAS, TEXAS  
MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION CONCERNING

PURPOSE

To advise you our Phoenix Office obtained a copy of a letter written by Thomas Lloyd Thomson presently incarcerated in Phoenix, to the editor of "Life" magazine. This letter in part agrees with recent scurrilous editorial in "Life" criticizing the Director and accuses the FBI and Secret Service of being responsible for President Kennedy's death. Thomson also restates an allegation concerning the assassination which has been previously found to be false.

DETAILS

Phoenix by airtel 6-1-64, transmitted a copy of a letter dated 5-27-64, to the editor of "Life" magazine written by Thomas Lloyd Thomson an inmate of the Maricopa County Sheriff's Office, Phoenix, Arizona, which was furnished by an employee of the sheriff's office.

Thomson's letter states he agrees with the scurrilous editorial recently printed in "Life" and feels the FBI and Secret Service are responsible for President Kennedy's death. He alleges while employed in Fort Worth, Texas, he was told of an ex-Marine who had spent a couple of years in Russia and that he advised the FBI of this information. Thomson claims his complaint was treated lightly although he was later interviewed by the Secret Service based on his complaint to the FBI. He also criticized the Secret Service Agent who interviewed him.

Thomson blames the FBI for not surveilling Oswald and he "personally" informed the FBI of Oswald's existence. This is a misrepresentation of the true facts as he never mentioned Oswald's name to us until 3-25-64, as explained later in this memorandum. He concludes by telling the editor of "Life" he thinks "J. Edgar Hoover should be forced to retire...."

Phoenix by teletype 11-23-63, advised Thomson on 11-22-63 he overheard, about six months previously, James Thomas and Floyd Thomson (phonetic) state they would like to kill President Kennedy. No mention of Oswald was made at this time. This information was furnished to Secret Service on 11-23-63, (62-109030-869).

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Memorandum to Mr. Belmont  
RE: ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY

Investigation of Thomson's previous allegation appears in the 1200 page Dallas report of SA Robert P. Gemberling which is being reviewed before dissemination to the President's Commission and Secret Service.

This investigation discloses Thomson was interviewed by our Phoenix Office on 3-25-64, at the Maricopa County Jail where he had been incarcerated since his local arrest on 11-22-63 for; drunk and disorderly; hit and run; driving while intoxicated; failure to yield; malicious mischief; suspended license and assault with a deadly weapon. Thomson stated he was sorry he had used Rasmussen's name on 11-22-63, as Rasmussen never indicated he would like to kill President Kennedy. For the first time he advised us Thomson may have indicated knowledge of Oswald, however, he was not sure in view of the passage of time and might actually have heard Oswald's name on radio or television. He stated he did not furnish this information initially because he was intoxicated and the only reason he was reporting it now was that he had written to a Phoenix newspaper reporter that his friend knew Oswald and wanted to be able to tell the reporter he gave this information to the FBI.

Thomson's arrest record indicates after an automobile accident he threatened the other driver with a revolver and later fired two shots into the library of the John Birch Society. After arrest he was reported to be very despondent, wild and stated he would kill every John Birch member and every "foddanned Phoenix cop." He is suspected of being mentally unstable.

#### OBSERVATIONS

Thomson appears to be a mental case. His only purpose in writing to "Life" at this time appears to be another of his efforts to seek publicity, and obscure his current difficulties relying on the fact this "rag" has a warped editorial policy and prints biased, unfounded information.

#### ACTION

This current information on Thomson will be appropriately reported by Dallas and disseminated to the President's Commission and Secret Service.

SAC, Washington Field

June 9, 1964

Director, FBI (105-82555)

LEE HARVEY OSWALD, aka  
IS - R - CUBA

REGISTERED MAIL

Enclosed is certain foreign language material:

Ten communications in Russian exchanged between Marina Oswald and Ruth Paine, which were furnished to the Bureau by letter from the President's Commission to the Director dated June 4, 1964, copy of which is attached.

This material should be processed as indicated below:

**Full translation.**

Following disposition should be made of enclosure and translation:

**Both to the Bureau, attention FBI Annex. Bureau deadline in this matter is set for 6/17/64.**

If the results of your review are not furnished the Seat of Government, in accordance with instructions set forth above, then the office initiating the request, to which translation is made available by you, has the responsibility of appropriately notifying the Bureau of any pertinent information contained therein.

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1 - Mr. Rogle

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1 - Mr. Griffith  
1 - Mr. Frazier  
1 - Mr. Kittel

June 9, 1964

By Courier Service

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

Dear Mr. Rankin:

Reference is made to a telephonic request on May 27, 1964, by Mr. Melvin Eisenberg, of your staff, asking that certain Commission Exhibits be obtained and photographed in any instance where photographs were not previously prepared and provided to the Commission.

Enclosed herewith are three photocopies each of Commission Exhibits numbered 334 through 336, 338 through 343, 822, 822-A, 823 through 827, 829 through 839, 853 through 856, 858 through 870 and 674 through 676, which exhibits were obtained from the Commission by a representative of this Bureau. Commission Exhibits numbered 334 through 336, 338 through 343, 827, 837 through 839, 854 and 858 through 870 are also enclosed. The other Commission Exhibits received will be retained.

Sincerely yours,

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J. Edgar Hoover

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1 - Dallas (100-10461) - Enclosures (118)

NOTE FOR DALLAS: Photocopies of the above-mentioned Commission Exhibits, along with a listing thereof, are enclosed herewith.

NOTE: The telephonic request was received by SA Marion F. Williams of the Laboratory on 5/27/64, and the exhibits were received by SA Robert E. Neill on that same date. Exhibits not in Bureau custody are being returned to the Commission.

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ITEM NO.	COMMISSION'S EXHIBIT NO.	DESCRIPTION
#334		Front cover photo of "Life" magazine issue dated 2/21/64
#335		Photograph of Oswald holding rifle
#336		Photograph of Oswald holding rifle
#338		Newspaper clipping from "New York Journal American" dated 2/18/64
#339		Photograph of man holding rifle, not otherwise identified
#340		Clipping from "New Orleans Times - Picayune" dated 11/24/63
#341		Reproduction of clipping from "New York Times" dated 12/8/63
#342		Clipping from "New York Journal American" dated 2/23/64 (Article by Bob Considine)
#343		Reproduction of clipping from "Dallas Morning News" dated 11/28/63
822		Copy of report of SA John W. Fain dated 5/12/60, Dallas
822-A		Copy of report by SA John W. Fain dated 7/2/61, at Dallas titled "Lee Harvey Oswald; IS - R"
823		Copy of report by SA John W. Fain dated 7/10/62, at Dallas titled "Lee Harvey Oswald; IS - R"
824		Copy of report by SA John W. Fain dated 8/30/62, at Dallas titled "Lee Harvey Oswald; IS - R"
825		Copy of letter to J. Lee Rankin fr a Director, FBI dated 2/12/64, and enclosures (ten)
826		Copy of report of SA Hilton R. Kaack dated 10/31/63, at New Orleans titled "Lee Harvey Oswald; IS - R - CUBA"
827		Reproduction of piece of paper bearing writing in Russian script
829		Copy of report of SA James P. Hosty, Jr., dated 9/10/63, titled "Lee Harvey Oswald; IS - R"
830		Page 10 and 11 of FBI report (DL 105-1716, JPH:man) which sets forth connections between Ruth Paine and the Oswalds.

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ITEM NO.	COMMISSION'S EXHIBIT NO.	DESCRIPTION
	831 ✓	Copy of letter dated 4/27/64, from Director, FBI to J. Lee Rankin, concerning alleged statement of S/ James P. Hosty, Jr.
	832 ✓	FD-302 dated 11/22/63, concerning interview of Oswald by Will Fritz, Dallas Police Department
	833 ✓	Copy of letter dated 4/3/64, to J. Lee Rankin from Director, FBI, concerning FBI's prior knowledge of Oswald
	834 ✓	Copy of letter dated 5/4/64, to J. Lee Rankin from Director, FBI, concerning discussion between staff member and Mr. A. H. Edmont on 5/4/64
	835 ✓	Copy of letter dated 2/6/64, to J. Lee Rankin from Director, FBI which denies Oswald as FBI informant
	836 ✓	Copy of letter dated 3/31/64, to J. Lee Rankin from Director, FBI concerning FBI liaison with Secret Service
	837 ✓	Clipping from "National Enquirer" 5/17/64, issue, regarding association of Ruby and Oswald
	838 ✓	Copy of letter dated 11/22/63, to Captain W. P. Cannaway, Dallas Police Department from Lieutenant Jack Revill, Dallas Police Department
	839 X	Diagram of building housing jail office, Dallas, Texas
	863 ✓	Copy of letter dated 5/8/64, to J. Lee Rankin from Director, FBI regarding article from "National Enquirer" dated 5/17/64
	864	Carbon copy of letter from J. Lee Rankin to Director, FBI requesting assurance that Bureau has disseminated all information available
	865	Copy of letter dated 4/30/64, to J. Lee Rankin from Director, FBI regarding dissemination of all available information to Commission

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ITEM NO.	COMMISSION'S EXHIBIT NO.	DESCRIPTION
	866 ✓	Memorandum dated 12/2/63, from FBI regarding protection of the President
	*368 ✓	Copy of letter dated 4/22/64, to Mr. Richard Helms (CIA) from J. Lee Rankin requesting assurance that all available information has been furnished Commission
	*369 ✓	Memorandum to J. Lee Rankin from CIA assuring complete dissemination to Commission of all information, 5/4/64
	*370 ✓	Affidavit of John A. McCone (Director, CIA) regarding CIA's relationship with Oswald
	674 ✓	Comparison photomicrograph of fibers from Oswald's shirt and rifle
	675 ✓	Comparison photomicrograph of fibers from Oswald's shirt and rifle
	676 ✓	Comparison photomicrograph of fibers from Oswald's shirt and rifle
DI	677 ✓	Paper sample from first floor, Texas Schoolbook Depository Building
	678 ✓	Comparison photomicrograph of two pieces of paper



6-9-64

- 1 - C. D. DeLoach
- 1 - W. C. Sullivan  
(R. E. Lenihan)
- 1 - Mr. Rogge

Airtel

To: SAC, Dallas (100-10461)

From: Director, FBI (105-82555)

LEE HARVEY OSWALD, AKA  
IS - R - CUBA

ATTENTION: CRIMINAL SECTION

ReBuairtel 5-20-64, and your airtel 6-4-64, enclosing a letterhead memorandum of the same date relating to certain investigation requested by the President's Commission concerning Dallas Police Department vehicle number 207.

Before dissemination can be made of your letterhead memorandum the following clarification is necessary:

On page 5, paragraph 2, it is indicated Lt. W. R. Fulghum was given a "Special Assignment School." It is not known if this refers to the Texas School Book Depository Building or some other educational institution. Advise and if amended page necessary, submit same.

On page 9, it is indicated Sergeant H. F. Davis was assigned to districts 80 and 90. However, no car assignment is shown. Based on other information in your letterhead memorandum, it would appear he was in car 179 as shown on page 11. Advise and if amended page necessary submit same.

On page 10, it is indicated W. D. Mentzel was assigned to district 91 and car 84. However, on page 2 it is indicated Mentzel was assigned to districts 91 and 92. This is inconsistent and should be changed. If necessary, amended pages should be submitted.

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Airtel to SAC, Dallas  
RE: LEE HARVEY OSWALD, AKA

On page 11, paragraph 1, it would appear that Sergeant Hugh F. Davis was participating in a general assignment. However, on page 3, line 4, it is indicated Davis was in charge of the "90" series. Inasmuch as your write up of Sergeant W. G. Jennings on page 11 discloses his supervisory capacity, this matter should be appropriately clarified with regard to Davis. If Davis was, in fact, acting in a supervisory capacity similar comment should be incorporated in his interview as set out on page 11.

In the interview of Patrolman Jimmy M. Valentine on pages 11 and 12 as well as in the interview of Officer David L. Pate shown on page 14, it is not shown they were questioned concerning whether they know any of the residents at 1026 North Beckley. It would appear this particular question has significance to the Commission's request and, therefore, if not already done, should be asked of these officers and appropriate pages submitted, amending LHM.

Some other minor corrections are being made to your letterhead memorandum before dissemination. You will be advised of these changes separately.

The above necessary action should be promptly taken and amended pages promptly furnished to the Bureau so this matter can be disseminated to the Commission.

NOTE:

Commission by letter 5-19-64 advised Roberts, the housekeeper at 1026 North Beckley, Dallas, Texas, where Oswald resided at the time of the assassination, had reported that at about 1:00 p.m., on 11-22-63, Dallas Police car Number 207 drove slowly by the front of her premises and honked the horn several times. The Dallas Police Department indicated that car 207 was not in the vicinity at this time. The Commission requests appropriate investigation to determine if any Dallas police cars were in the vicinity of the premises between the hours of 12:00 noon and 2:00 p.m., on 11-22-63.

When this matter is completed, the Commission will be immediately notified.



FBI

Date: 6/9/64

Transmit the following in \_\_\_\_\_  
(Type in plain text or code)

Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL  
(Priority or Method of Mailing)

TO DIRECTOR FBI (105-82555)  
FROM SAC DALLAS (100-10461)  
SUBJECT LEE HARVEY OSWALD, aka  
IS - R - CUBA

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Re telephone call from Section Chief W. A. BRANIGAN to Dallas, 6/8/64, concerning MARINA OSWALD's recollections of the "Nixon incident."

It is suggested the following paragraphs be added to the letterhead memorandum submitted by Dallas in this connection under date of 6/6/64:

QUOTE:

Marina Oswald, 629 Belt Line Road, Richardson, Texas, advised on June 8, 1964, to the best of her recollection the words used by Oswald on this occasion were "Nixon is coming and I'm going to take a look." She is positive Oswald said "Nixon." She said she was very familiar with the word "Nixon" and was not familiar at all with the word "Johnson." She pointed out Richard Nixon was well known in Russia and had been even prior to 1960. She said she can recall being familiar with the name Richard Nixon as far back as the famous "kitchen debate" between Nixon and Khrushchev. She said also she can recall seeing news pictures of Nixon with President Eisenhower. She said she can recall seeing Nixon's picture in newsreels in movie theatres in Leningrad and Minsk, Russia. She was well aware of the importance of Richard Nixon prior to the time she met Lee Harvey Oswald.

She pointed out she had not gained any familiarity with the name of President Johnson until after the assassination of President Kennedy.

END QUOTE.

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**SOVIET SECTION**

Approved: 79 JUN 11 1964  
Special Agent in Charge.

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DL 100-10461

This interview was conducted by SAs RICHARD L. WIEHL  
and WALLACE R. HEITMAN.

No supplemental letterhead memorandum will be submitted  
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- 1 - Belmont
- 1 - Rosen
- 1 - Sullivan
- 1 - Malley

June 9, 1964

BY COURIER SERVICE

- 1 - Branigan
- 1 - Lenihan

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 the request of Mr. Wesley J. Liebeler of your staff on May 28, 1964, that he be furnished a copy of the exact photograph which was displayed to Mrs. Marguerite Oswald on November 23, 1963, by Special Agent Bardwell D. Odum.

Enclosed are two copies of the exact photograph, same size and same cutaway, of the unidentified individual which was displayed to Mrs. Marguerite Oswald by Special Agent Odum on November 23, 1963. The original of this photograph, maintained in the files of this Bureau, contains on the backside the initials of Special Agent Bardwell D. Odum and is the only photograph that was exhibited to Mrs. Marguerite Oswald by Special Agent Odum.

Also enclosed for the Commission are two copies of an enlargement of the aforementioned photograph.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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Honorable J. Lee Rankin

NOTE:

On the evening of 11/23/63 SA Odum exhibited a photograph of an unidentified individual which was obtained by CIA in Mexico City. The purpose of such display was to determine if unknown subject possibly known to Mrs. Oswald. Mrs. Oswald could not identify the individual depicted in the photograph, but subsequently claimed this was a photo of Jack Ruby. Commission desires an exact copy of the photograph involved. Reproduction was made by FBI Laboratory from the original photograph of exact size with exact cutaway as photograph displayed by SA Odum. ✓



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- 1 - Goble

Date: June 10, 1964

To: Director  
Central Intelligence Agency

Attention: Deputy Director, Plans

From: John Edgar Hoover, Director

Subject: LEE HARVEY OSWALD  
INTERNAL SECURITY - RUSSIA - CUBA

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Enclosed are two copies of the report of Special Agent Henry A. Welke dated June 4, 1964, at Norfolk, Virginia, concerning Lee Harvey Oswald.

You will note that the report contains the results of interviews which indicate that Oswald was reported to have been in Tangier, Morocco. Several persons are mentioned in the report as having said Oswald was there.

It is believed this allegation that Oswald was in Tangier, Morocco, should be investigated and you are requested to conduct the necessary inquiries, if possible, to resolve the allegation. Inasmuch as it appears that the President's Commission contemplates the issuance of its report in the near future, it is believed this matter should be handled expeditiously.

Copies of the aforementioned report are being furnished to the President's Commission and it is being advised that this phase of the investigation has been referred to you. This Bureau would appreciate being advised of the results of your investigation.

BY COURIER SVC.  
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**Director  
Central Intelligence Agency**

**NOTE:**

Reverend and Mrs. Carl Ray Jackson have just returned from Tangier where they worked as missionaries of a radiologist mission. They and their 15-year-old daughter have advised that several people in Tangier mentioned that Lee Harvey Oswald had been there. They furnished the names and addresses of several people in Tangier who gave them this information. The 15-year-old daughter advised that upon seeing a photograph of Oswald in an American newspaper, several days after the assassination, she recognized Oswald as a person she had met in Tangier and told her parents of this. However, she was unable to recall the details of her seeing Oswald. This is the first allegation we have received that Oswald was seen in Tangier, Morocco. It is believed CIA should check out this allegation. The people named by Reverend and Mrs. Jackson as having indicated Oswald had been in Tangier all live there.



# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE <b>BOSTON, MASS.</b>	OFFICE OF ORIGIN <b>DALLAS</b>	DATE <b>6/5/64</b>	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD <b>6/2-3/64</b>
TITLE OF CASE <b>LEE HARVEY OSWALD, aka</b>		REPORT MADE BY <b>SA DARREL B. CURRIE</b>	TYPED BY <b>ras</b>
		CHARACTER OF CASE <b>IS - R - CUBA</b>	

REFERENCE:

St. Louis airtel to Director, cc Boston, dated 6/1/64.

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Report of: SA DARREL B. CURRIE  
Date: 6/5/64

Office: BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS

Field Office File #: 105-10911

Bureau File #: 105-82555

Title: LEE HARVEY OSWALD

Character: INTERNAL SECURITY - R - CUBA

Synopsis:

RICHARD ALLEN CYR, Needham, Mass., was Marine Corps associate of LEE HARVEY OSWALD at Atsugi, Japan during 1957-1958. CYR recalled minor incident in Marine Corps barracks at Atsugi, Japan when OSWALD accidentally shot himself in the arm and was hospitalized. He was not friendly with OSWALD and knew nothing of his character, associates or habits.

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DETAILS:



1.

RICHARD ALLEN CYR, born October 25, 1933, 10 Riverside Street, Needham, Massachusetts, employed as a patrolman by the Needham, Massachusetts Police Department, furnished the following information:

He enlisted in the U.S. Marines November 28, 1955 and was honorably discharged from active duty November 27, 1958. He was then placed in an inactive reserve status, finally receiving an Honorable Discharge November 27, 1961. He was assigned Serial #1580856.

He was assigned at the Atsugi Naval Air Base, Atsugi, Japan from approximately November 7, 1956 to about February, 1958 when he was returned to the United States.

In about November, 1957, he first learned that LEE HARVEY OSWALD had been assigned to his squadron at Atsugi. This was a Marine Air Control Squadron known as Macs 1, consisting of about 117 men.

CYR's duties were radar and radio operator and OSWALD was assigned to maintenance of electronic equipment as near as he could recall. They were not on the same crew and had no contact on the job.

CYR does not recall how he first came to know OSWALD was in the Squadron and knew him only as another Marine. OSWALD moved into the same barracks as CYR, when he arrived at Atsugi and occupied quarters in a cubicle located about 30-40 feet from CYR on the first floor of the barracks. There were about 25 or 30 Marines located in the area of the barracks between CYR and OSWALD and CYR had no direct association with OSWALD.

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On 6/3/64 at Needham, Massachusetts File # BS 105-10911  
by SA DARREL B. CURRIE/ras Date dictated 6/5/64

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CYR recalled an incident which occurred about two months after OSWALD's arrival when, one evening after dark, CYR heard a noise in the barracks, which sounded like a "rifle going off". CYR and other Marines in the barracks walked in the direction of the noise and found that it had come from OSWALD's area. When he, CYR, arrived, several other Marines, unknown to CYR, were already there and OSWALD was sitting on his locker. CYR recalled that OSWALD said something like, "It seems as though I have shot myself." CYR recalled seeing a small amount of blood on the floor near OSWALD and a little blood on one of OSWALD's arms. The injury did not appear serious to CYR and someone had already called a hospital corpsman and OSWALD was taken to sick bay.

CYR did not recall seeing any gun at the time of the incident, but said he understood that someone who had gone to the scene had supposedly picked up a gun from OSWALD's area. This was said to be a .22 caliber, nickel-plated Derringer revolver. There was some talk around the barracks that OSWALD had been loading this gun when it had fallen to the floor and accidentally discharged. CYR stated he did not know whether this gun belonged to OSWALD or how it came into his possession.

CYR stated that this incident was of such a minor nature that nobody thought much about it and that he does not recall any further conversation concerning it.

CYR stated that following this incident, OSWALD never returned to the barracks, but that he did see OSWALD again aboard the LST "CAYUGA COUNTY" when the squadron was on maneuvers en route to the island of Ie Shima, probably about two months after the shooting incident. CYR had no association with OSWALD on the ship and in February, 1958, he, CYR, was transferred back to the United States and never saw OSWALD again.



3.

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CYR stated he cannot recall ever having had any conversation with OSWALD and, therefore, knew nothing of his character, his associates or his habits. He did not know any of OSWALD's friends or what he did during off duty hours. He considered that OSWALD was rather quiet around the barracks and possibly had no close friends. He said that except for the shooting incident in the barracks, OSWALD was never the subject of any conversation among other Marines, to his knowledge.

CYR stated that following the assassination of President KENNEDY, he saw pictures of OSWALD in the newspapers and on television and read of OSWALD's service in the United States Marines. He recognized the pictures of OSWALD as the same individual he had known at Atsugi Naval Air Base.

CYR had no other information concerning OSWALD or the assassination of President KENNEDY.



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To: FBI, Dallas (100-10461)

Date: June 5, 1964

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*J. Edgar Hoover*  
John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No.  
Lab. No. 105-32555  
PC-80761 BX

Examination requested by:

FBI, Dallas

Reference:

Airtel 5/14/64

Examination requested:

Firearms - Miscellaneous

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PREVIOUS RECORD OF Rifle in 105-82555-3941

The rifle listed as C320 in the enclosed report has been photographed in the assembled condition and in the disassembled condition. Two sets of photographs, each set consisting of two photographs, are enclosed. One set is for the completion of your file. The second set should accompany the copy of the investigative report prepared by your office which is signed by the SAC and forwarded to the Bureau. This set will become the Bureau's file set.

It will not be necessary for the Dallas Office to prepare the usual two copies of the investigative report for the President's Commission since the information in the enclosed report was furnished to the Commission by letter dated 5/27/64, along with two sets of the photographs.

In any correspondence with the Commission, the "C" number of the rifle should be used rather than the "Q" number.

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WASHINGTON, D. C.

To: FBI, Dallas

Date: June 5, 1964  
FBI File No. 105-82555  
Lab. No. PC-80761 BX

Re: LEE HARVEY OSWALD, AKA.,  
IS - R - CUBA

Specimens received 5/18/64

Q579 C320 U. S. Rifle, caliber .30-06, Model 1903 (Rock Island Arsenal), Serial No. 66091, obtained from Robert Adrian Taylor

Results of examination:

The correct description of the rifle obtained from Robert Adrian Taylor is as listed above. This rifle has been designated as C320 for record purposes. Examination of C320 showed that the upper and lower bands have been removed, the front portion of the stock has been cut off, the wooden hand-guard originally covering the top of the barrel has been removed, the rear sight has been removed and replaced with telescopic sight mount blocks and the bolt handle has been ground down and bent so that it would not strike the telescopic sight tube when the bolt is operated. All other parts appear to be original, unaltered parts. The rifle has the standard length of 43 1/4". The barrel has not been shortened. The length of the longest portion (barrel and receiver) is 31 7/8". The stock portion is 28 3/4" long which is less than the standard length of 40 1/8" for a "non-sporterized" stock.

C320 is being returned to Dallas under separate cover by Railway Express.

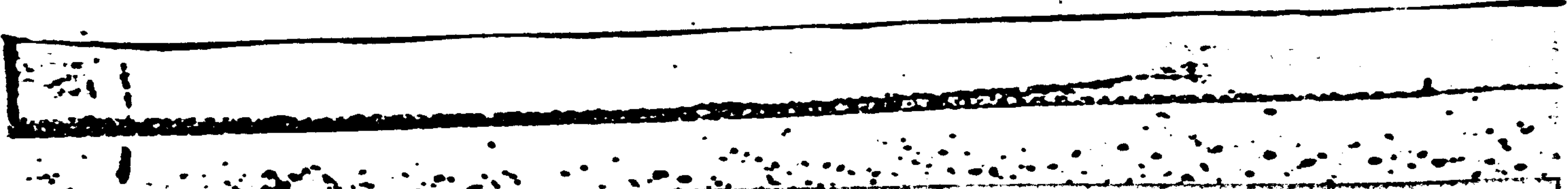
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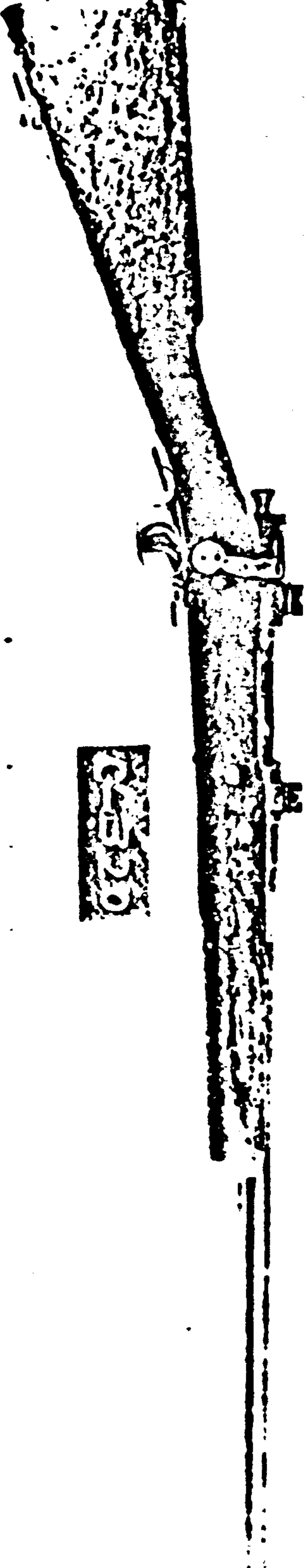
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TO: LEGAL ATTACHE, MEXICO CITY (105-3702)

FROM: DIRECTOR, FBI (105-82555)

LEE HARVEY OSWALD  
IS - R - CUBA

This deals with interview of bus driver, Alvaro Ibarra, of the Del Norte Lines per 5-20-64 FD 302 of two pages, two copies of which are enclosed herewith.

If the unchallenged remarks of Ibarra re date stamps on back of tickets are correct, they would tend to establish that the travel of H. O. Lee on Bus 373 10-3-63 to Laredo was incorrect. This the Bureau does not believe to be so.

Ascertain from Del Norte Lines whether or not the remarks of Ibarra are correct. Note that ticket of H. O. Lee was stamped September 30, 1963, and bore name on stamp of "J. Gascon." Your letterhead of 4-7-64 on page 11 shows that Juan Gascon is ticket agent of Del Norte Lines.

Spell out significance of date stamp on back of tickets issued by Del Norte Lines. Is stamp indicative of date issued or purchased or as stated by Ibarra, date of the travel?

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**Airtel to Mexico City**  
**RE: LEE HARVEY OSWALD**

**NOTE:**

There is a problem re the ticket that was issued to H. O. Lee (Oswald) for travel from Mexico City to Laredo 10/2-3/63 via the Mexican Del Norte Line Bus. The trip envelope shows that 13 passengers were aboard bus in question; however, there were 20 tickets within the envelope. The bus driver says that if the date stamps on backs of tickets differ from the date stamps on face of the envelope, the company headquarters erred in intermingling extra tickets which wound up within the envelope. He maintains that if the date stamps on the backs of the tickets coincide with the date stamps on the face of the envelope, the error was his.

In all probability, the date stamps on the tickets indicate the date the ticket was purchased or issued rather than the date of the travel. It is necessary that we establish this for if the driver is right, his statement would tend to show that H. O. Lee was not a passenger on the bus in question.





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3914 Swiss Avenue (10-unit apartment building)  
3518 Gillespie (4-unit apartment building)  
501-11 North Ewing ("Twin Oaks" - 32-unit  
apartments)  
708 North Zangs Boulevard (4-unit apartment  
building)  
1214 Hutchins Road (one-family dwelling)  
1206 Hutchins Road (one-family dwelling)  
4513 West University (duplex)

FD-302 being prepared reflecting result of interview  
with Mrs. CHEEK. No FD-302 or report being prepared to list  
renters, boarders, workers, etc., as reflected in above records,  
UACB.

*Appropriate check records that will  
control and be used to identify...*

If Bureau desires listing and/or investigation  
concerning individual tenants, it is requested two copies of  
each photograph be furnished Dallas.

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REPORTING OFFICE <b>CHICAGO</b>	OFFICE OF ORIGIN <b>DALLAS</b>	DATE <b>6/2/64</b>	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD <b>6/1/64</b>
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**REFERENCES:** Bureau airtel to Chicago dated 5/27/64.  
Report of SA DENNIS W. SHANAHAN dated 5/22/64, at Chicago.

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Report of: SA DENNIS W. SHANAHAN  
Date: 6/2/64

Office: Chicago

Field Office File #: 62-6115

Bureau File #: 105-82555

Title: LEE HARVEY OSWALD

Character: INTERNAL SECURITY -R-CUBA

Synopsis:

ROBERT ALLEN FELDE, date of birth 6/1/38, enlisted in United States Marine Corps at Chicago on 7/17/56 at age 18. Took "Boot" training at San Diego from July to October, 1956; at Camp Pendleton, California from October, 1956, to discharge in July, 1958. Did not know OSWALD and has never been interviewed by any press representative regarding OSWALD. Did not know an ALLEN FELDE in Marine Corps but has younger brother named ALLEN FELDE, age 17 at present, who enlisted in Marine Corps one month ago and is now at Camp Pendleton.

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DETAILS: AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

ROBERT ALLEN FELDE, 4448 North Mobile Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, advised that he was born in Chicago, Illinois, on June 1, 1938. He said he enlisted in the United States Marine Corps, at Chicago, Illinois, on July 17, 1956, at which time he was 18 years old.

FELDE said he received his "Boot" training at the Marine Corps station at San Diego, California, from July to October, 1956. He was then transferred to Camp Pendleton, California, where he served until his discharge in July, 1958.

FELDE reiterated that he did not know LEE HARVEY OSWALD as a fellow Marine nor did he know any other Marine whose name was ALLEN FELDE and who served with him in the Corps. He added that his younger brother, ALLEN FELDE, age 17, enlisted in the Marine Corps last month and is now stationed at Camp Pendleton, California.

FELDE advised that he has never been interviewed by anyone from "Life" Magazine or by any press representative concerning OSWALD or his Marine Corps Service.

On 6/1/64 at Chicago, Illinois File # CG 62-6115  
by SA DENNIS W. SHANAHAN/mjs Date dictated 6/1/64

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