

OSWALD

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SECTION 192

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PRESIDENT'S COMMISSION
ON THE
ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY

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JUN 30 1964

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

Dear Mr. Hoover:

Your letter of February 12, 1964 indicates that on the preceding day you delivered to this Commission a copy of a photograph which was displayed to Mrs. Marguerite Oswald on November 23, 1963, by Special Agent Bardwell D. Odum of your Bureau. You also referred to that photograph in your letter of February 7, 1964 in which you quoted portions of an article appearing in NATION magazine of January 7, 1964 and advised us that the photograph exhibited to Mrs. Oswald by Agent Odum was not a photograph of Mr. Jack L. Ruby.

The photograph which you delivered to us on February 11, 1964 was marked Commission Exhibit 237 and shown to Mrs. Oswald for purposes of identification during the course of her testimony before this Commission. Mrs. Oswald denied that Exhibit 237 was the same photograph as the one displayed to her on November 23, 1963 by Special Agent Odum. She specifically stated that the photograph which had been shown to her on that date had been cropped in a different manner from Exhibit 237 in that the former had not been

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cropped to follow the outline of the head and shoulders of the individual portrayed in the photograph, as was the case with Exhibit 237.

Mr. Wesley J. Liebeler of our staff advises me that on May 28, 1964 he requested Mr. Malley of your Bureau to provide for the purposes of our record a complete explanation of all of the circumstances surrounding the receipt of the photograph in question by your Bureau and its display to Mrs. Oswald. In response to that conversation, on June 9, 1964 your Bureau forwarded to this Commission other copies of the photograph which had been displayed to Mrs. Oswald. While it appears that the individual portrayed in the photograph forwarded with your letter of June 9, 1964 is the same individual that was portrayed in the photograph which you forwarded to us on February 11, 1964 and which was marked Commission Exhibit 237, we note that the two photographs have in fact been cropped in a different manner. The upper portion of the former is cropped roughly in the shape of a triangle whereas the latter (Exhibit 237) was cropped to follow the outline of the head and shoulders of the man portrayed in that photograph. Your letter of June 9, 1963 indicates that the original of the photograph that was actually shown to Mrs. Oswald is maintained in the files of your Bureau and sets forth on its backside the initials of Special Agent Odum.

In view of the confusion which now exists in the record of our proceedings as a result of the fact that the photograph which you forwarded to us on February 11, 1964 was not in fact identical to the photograph actually displayed to Mrs. Oswald on November 23, 1963, we would appreciate receiving a copy of both sides of the photograph which was in fact shown to Mrs. Oswald so that our record may show the initials of Special Agent Odum thereon. We would also like to have a statement from Special Agent Odum identifying the photograph which he in fact displayed to Mrs. Oswald and indicating the circumstances under which he did so.

We understand that the photograph in question was originally delivered to you by the Central Intelligence Agency. We would appreciate receiving statements from the officials of your Bureau who handled this matter at the time indicating when and by whom and the complete details of the circumstances under which that photograph was delivered to you. We are interested in, among other things, the number of copies delivered to you, the circumstances under which the photograph actually displayed to Mrs. Oswald was cropped, why and by whom and the reasons why that photograph was in fact displayed to Mrs. Oswald.

We would also appreciate advice as to the identity of the individual portrayed in that photograph.

Your continued cooperation is appreciated.

Sincerely,

J. Lee Rankin

J. Lee Rankin
General Counsel

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BAC, El Paso (105-1264)

7/21/64

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Director, FBI (105-82535) - 4472

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LEE HARVEY OSWALD
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ReBuairtel to Legat, Mexico City, 7/9/64, copy of which was furnished to your office. There is enclosed for El Paso and Dallas a copy of Legat cablegram dated 7/17/64.

Handle inquiry at Visa Section, American Consulate, Juarez, Mexico, and at Immigration and Naturalization Service in effort to develop available data concerning Raul Rodriguez Wong.

Enclosure

1 - Dallas (100-10461) (Enclosure)

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NOTE:

We are attempting to locate Rodriguez Wong, a Mexican-Chinese, in connection with a wild allegation by one Robert Kaye who claims he was sent to Mexico in 10/63 by Oswald for purpose of picking up some papers of undetermined nature from an individual in Mexico City. Kaye claims to have stayed with Rodriguez Wong in Chihuahua during his Mexican trip.

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AIRGRAM CABLEGRAM RADIO TELETYPE

URGENT 7-17-64
 TO DIRECTOR
 FROM LEGAT MEXICO CITY NO. 750

BUFILE 105-82555
 LEE HARVEY OSWALD, AKA, IS-R-CUBA.
 REBUCAB JULY 14 LAST.

AFTER ACCEPTING APPOINTMENT FOR INTERVIEW BY AGENT JULY 13
 LAST, GABRIEL CONTRERAS JUVINA DEPARTED ON TRIP INTO ISOLATED
 AREA OF CHIHUAHUA PRIOR TO ARRIVAL OF AGENT IN CIUDAD CAMARGO,
 POSSIBLY TO AVOID INTERVIEW. AGENT WILL ATTEMPT TO LOCATE
 AND INTERVIEW CONTRERAS ON LATTER'S RETURN TO CIUDAD CAMARGO
 ON OR ABOUT JULY 20 NEXT.

EXTENSIVE INVESTIGATION TO LOCATE AND INTERVIEW RAUL
 RODRIGUEZ WONG NEGATIVE THUS FAR.

RECORDS HOTEL DEL COMERCIO, MEXICO CITY SHOW ERNESTO
 LIMA AND FRANCISCO MORALES RESIDED THERE ROOM EIGHT SEPTEMBER 15
 THROUGH OCTOBER 1 LAST. MANAGER AND OTHER EMPLOYEES FURNISHED
 FOLLOWING INFORMATION. INSIST JULIAN HUERTA ONLY CUBAN IN
 RESIDENCE THIS PERIOD AND HE DEPARTED BEFORE ARRIVAL OF
 SUBJECT. HUERTA ASSOCIATED WITH LIMA AND CONTRERAS AT HOTEL.
 NO NEGRO GUESTS EXCEPT ANTONIO OLIVA.

OLIVA NEGRO, MALE, ABOUT 29 YEARS, TALL, SLIM, CLAIMED
 TO BE MEXICAN FROM VERA CRUZ BUT "WIFE" SAID HE IS CUBAN.
 HE AND MEXICAN FEMALE COMPANION NAMED IRMA FROM OAXACA,
 MEXICO RESIDED TOGETHER DURING THIS PERIOD IN ROOM FOUR WHICH
 IS ON FIFTH FLOOR OR ROOFTOP. ALLEGEDLY OLIVA HAD MALE FRIEND
 OF HIS SAME DESCRIPTION WHO VISITED HIM AND POSSIBLY OTHER
 FRIENDS. OLIVA DEPARTED OWING RENT AND PRESENT WHEREABOUTS

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PAGE TWO FROM MEXICO CITY NO. 750

UNKNOWN. EFFORTS CONTINUING TO LOCATE OLIVA.

RECOMMEND EL PASO CHECK VISA SECTION, AMERICAN CONSULATE, CIUDAD JUAREZ AND IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION SERVICE RECORDS SINCE RODRIGUEZ WONG DID NOT OBTAIN VISA AT MEXICO CITY AND RECORDS SHOULD BE AVAILABLE LISTING HIS DATES OF ENTRIES INTO AND DEPARTURES FROM UNITED STATES AS WELL AS ADDRESSES IN MEXICO AND OTHER BACKGROUND INFORMATION. LHM FOLLOWS.

CLARK D. ANDERSON

RECEIVED: 5:23 PM RDR

cc. Stokes

SRD CC: MR. BRENNAN

DE: _____

FBI

Date: July 1, 1964

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

Via AIRTEL _____ (Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (105-82555)

FROM: SAC, SAN ANTONIO (105-2909)

RE: LEE HARVEY OSWALD
IS-R-CUBA

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 J. P. [unclear]
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ReBuairtel 6/11/64 which raised questions concerning pages 37-42 of the report of SA JOHN M. KEMMY at San Antonio, Texas, dated June 1, 1964.

In response to this, Bureau's attention is directed to my letter dated June 19, 1964, in which the Bureau was advised that [redacted] covered the leads in this matter; that he had since been transferred to the Pittsburgh office, and that his explanation was being requested for forwarding to me as the basis for my recommendation for administrative action.

Reference is also made to Pittsburgh airtel dated June 23, 1964, to the Bureau and San Antonio which enclosed a copy of [redacted] explanation.

Re Pittsburgh airtel indicates that [redacted] was unable to recall the number of cases assigned during the period April 7-28, 1964, and that he apparently felt his heavy case assignment may have contributed to the delay in covering the lead in this case.

Review of San Antonio office records revealed that [redacted] was carrying a substantial case load during April. His work has always been handled extremely well for an Agent with his experience, and he has always afforded prompt attention to all his assignments.

Bureau
San Antonio

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Special Agent in Charge

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It is recognized that leads in the OSWALD case, due to the nature of this investigation, should in every instance be handled with utmost dispatch and every effort has been made in San Antonio to afford investigation in this matter the prime attention of the Agent to whom the lead is assigned.

It would appear in this instance that the information available to [redacted] was in the nature of an idle prank and showed little promise. He should, nonetheless, have handled the lead immediately due to the importance of the investigation and for his delay in pursuing this lead I recommend that he be sent a letter of censure.

FBI

Date: 7/20/64

Transmit the following in _____
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Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL
(Priority or Method of Mailing)

8/24/64

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (105-82555)
FROM: SAC, DALLAS (100-10461) (P)
SUBJECT: LEE HARVEY OSWALD, aka
IS-R-CUBA
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Re Denver airtel to Director, 6/30/64, which disclosed one WALTER J. EUSTACE, Home for Aged Masons, Arlington, Texas, prior to the visit of President KENNEDY to Houston and Dallas, had taken a trip to Houston and while in the train depot or bus depot had seen two men talking together. After the death of President KENNEDY and the publishing of the pictures of OSWALD and RUBY, he became convinced that the two men he had seen talking were OSWALD and RUBY.

The following investigation was conducted by SA A. RAYMOND SWITZER, on 7/20/64:

Mrs. MARIE WILLIAMS, Receptionist, Home for Aged Masons, Arlington, Texas, advised that WALTER J. EUSTACE, a resident of that home, is presently visiting a friend at 4726 Arvilla Lane, Houston 21, Texas, and is not expected to return to Arlington, Texas, until the first week in August, 1964. Mrs. WILLIAMS said EUSTACE visited a lot during the summer months and returns to the home early each month to pick up his Social Security check. She said EUSTACE was born Nov. 9, 1880.

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Approved: _____ Sent _____ M Per _____
Special Agent in Charge

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Date:

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Via _____
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HOUSTON DIVISION

AT HOUSTON, TEXAS

Will interview WALTER J. EUSTACE, 4726 Arvilla Lane,
as set out in re Denver airtel.

Houston is requested to furnish Dallas with 25 copies
of an FD-302 setting forth the results of interview with EUSTACE.

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Special Agent in Charge

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

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- 1 - Belmont
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TO : W. C. Sullivan *WCS*

DATE: July 16, 1964

FROM : W. A. Branigan

- 1 - Malley
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SUBJECT: LEE HARVEY OSWALD, Also Known As
INTERNAL SECURITY - RUSSIA - CUBA

John

Orestes Pena, owner of the Habana Bar in New Orleans, advised the New Orleans Office 12/5/63 that Oswald and another individual, whom he thought to be either Mexican or Cuban, came into his bar during the Summer of 1963. Pena indicated he recalled the incident inasmuch as Oswald engaged the bartender in an argument over the price of a drink.

We have conducted considerable investigation in an effort to determine if Oswald ever associated with an individual of Mexican or Cuban origin. We reinterviewed Orestes Pena on 6/9/64 and he recanted his previous statements about knowing Oswald and claims he did not state Oswald was ever in his bar. When confronted with the conflicting nature of his statements to Bureau Agents, Pena became extremely uncooperative and stated he would not assent to further interviews by the FBI and would only honor a subpoena from the President's Commission. Our inquiries indicate that Orestes Pena made application for a United States passport in New Orleans on 6/24/63, the same day that Oswald made application for passport in New Orleans. Our investigation also indicates that Pena has traveled abroad and recently made a trip to Europe. We have also been informed that Pena may have visited Russia during such trip. We are conducting intensive investigation to determine if Pena engaged in activities inimical to the United States. By letter dated 7/1/64 we furnished the President's Commission results of our investigation of Pena, up to date at that time, and suggested the Commission may desire to subpoena Pena to clarify statements he made to Bureau Agents regarding his knowledge of Oswald.

On 7/16/64 Mr. Wesley J. Liebeler of the President's Commission contacted the Bureau and stated he was going to New Orleans Tuesday, 7/21/64, and would have a subpoena served on Pena and interview him regarding conflicting statements he made to the FBI. Liebeler also indicated he planned to examine Pena's passport and would furnish copies of it to FBI for our assistance in our investigation of Pena.

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Memorandum to Mr. Sullivan
Re: LEE HARVEY OSWALD, Also Known As
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Mr. Liebeler stated he would very much appreciate discussing with the New Orleans Office the status of its investigation regarding Pena, up to date when he arrives in New Orleans 7/21/64. He felt such discussion would materially assist him in his interview with Pena. Mr. Liebeler indicated, if this is satisfactory with the Bureau, he will contact the Special Agent in Charge of the New Orleans Office at 8:30 a.m. on 7/21/64 to discuss the up-to-date status of the Pena investigation.

OBSERVATIONS:

Pena, as mentioned above, has been uncooperative with the FBI and it appears he will talk only to the President's Commission when subpoenaed. We have furnished Commission results of our investigation regarding Pena up to date as of 7/1/64. New Orleans has conducted additional checks which have not yet been incorporated in a report forwarded to the Bureau for dissemination. There is no objection if the New Orleans Office orally discusses developments in its Pena investigation with Mr. Liebeler to assist him in his taking of a deposition from Orestes Pena.

ACTION:

Attached is a teletype to the New Orleans Office advising that Mr. Liebeler will contact the New Orleans Office at 8:30 a.m. on 7/21/64 to discuss up-to-date developments in the Pena investigation. We are instructing the New Orleans Office to cooperate with Mr. Liebeler in this discussion and are also informing New Orleans Office, that in the event Mr. Liebeler makes a request for specific investigation by the New Orleans Office, such request be forwarded to the Bureau for approval prior to the initiating of the desired inquiries. ^{IMMEDIATELY}

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1 - Belmont
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July 22, 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:

There are enclosed two copies of each of the following reports which set forth further results of our investigation concerning Lee Harvey Oswald:

- (1) Report of Special Agent J. Stanley Rots, dated July 7, 1964, at Baltimore, Maryland.
- (2) Report of Special Agent Edwin Dalrymple, dated July 14, 1964, at Houston Texas.
- (3) Report of Special Agent James J. O'Connor, dated July 16, 1964, at Miami, Florida.

We will continue to furnish you with communications in duplicate containing further results of our investigation.

Sincerely yours,

L. Edgar Hoover

BY COURIER SVC.
COMM-FBI

MR S

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Enclosures (6)

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NOTE:

These three reports, consisting of 17 pages, have been approved by the supervisors, Mr. Belmont and Mr. Malley. Each of the reports is unclassified.

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Walt G.C.

7/22/64

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To: SAC, New Orleans (105-1926)

From: Director, FBI

Lee Harvey Oswald

OREST PENA, aka
IS - CUBA

Dr

Rerep of SA Warren C. DeBruys dated 7/17/64 at New Orleans.

Your attention is directed to page one of rerep wherein you report Pena's picture contained in New Orleans newspaper of 12/2/60. On page five of rerep you indicate subject's picture contained in New Orleans newspaper of 12/22/60. Advise if subject's picture appeared in paper both dates or whether there is a typographical error in reporting date involved.

Your attention is also directed to page two of your report wherein you report in the synopsis that a source reported subject likes to tease people or shock them by saying that he is a "communist." Details of rerep do not contain a statement to the effect that subject stated he is a "communist." Submit amended page of the report to make the details of rerep conform with the synopsis.

Errors of form should be charged to responsible personnel.

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NOTE:

Pena owns a tavern in New Orleans and has been interviewed in connection with an allegation that Oswald visited his bar during the Summer of 1963 in the company of a Mexican. Pena has furnished conflicting data to the FBI and has been uncooperative in our attempts to resolve the discrepancies in his statements. New Orleans conducting separate investigation of Pena to determine if he is engaged in activities inimical to the U. S. Upon clarification of the data set out herein, the New Orleans report of 7/17/64 will be forwarded to the President's Commission.

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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL, REGISTERED
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (105-82555) ATTN: FBI LABORATORY
FROM: SAC, DALLAS (100-10461) (P)
RE: LEE HARVEY OSWALD, aka.
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Re San Francisco teletype to Director and Dallas, 7/9/64; and, Bureau teletype to Dallas and San Francisco, 7/6/64, both captioned "ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY, 11/22/63, DALLAS, TEXAS; MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING."

Rebutel reflects the President's Commission received a letter dated July 3, 1964, which letter was furnished by the Attorney General and which was written by Mrs. RITA MC CARTY, Oakland, California. The letter informs that Mrs. MC CARTY had recently returned from Dallas, Texas, where she had been residing with an individual, whose identity was not furnished but was alleged to be a photographer at the hospital where President KENNEDY was taken following the assassination. MC CARTY indicated this individual had two snapshots of two pieces of skull found on the street following the President's assassination.

Re San Francisco teletype informed that the individual who allegedly had these photographs was PAULETTE CAROTHERS.

Mrs. PAULETTE CAROTHERS, Processor, Methodist Hospital of Dallas, 301 West Colorado Boulevard, Dallas, advised on July 10, 1964, that she had seen two color

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Special Agent in Charge

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slides taken of a piece of bone allegedly from the skull of President KENNEDY which had been found near the site of the assassination. Mrs. CAROTHERS said she believes the color slides were taken by M. WAYNE BOLLETER, Chief Medical Photographer, Methodist Hospital of Dallas. Mrs. CAROTHERS said she related this information to only one person, a Mrs. EVA MC CARTY, Hayward, California, who was visiting her in early June 1964. Mrs. CAROTHERS said that Mrs. EVA MC CARTY's sister-in-law, Mrs. RITA MC CARTY, was also visiting her at the same time and may possibly have heard her relating the incident to Mrs. EVA MC CARTY.

On July 10, 1964, M. WAYNE BOLLETER, Chief Medical Photographer, Methodist Hospital of Dallas, advised that on November 25, 1963, Dr. JACK C. HARPER and Dr. A. B. CAIRNS, Chief Pathologist, Methodist Hospital of Dallas, came by the Medical Photography Department at the Methodist Hospital of Dallas and asked that pictures be taken of a bone specimen. BOLLETER said that during the course of taking pictures of this specimen, Dr. HARPER related that this bone was found near the site of where President KENNEDY was assassinated and possibly came from President KENNEDY's skull. BOLLETER said he made two 35 millimeter color photographs of this specimen, one photograph depicting the concave view and the other photograph depicting the convex view. He said he also made ten 35 millimeter black and white photographs. BOLLETER stated when the 35 millimeter color slides were processed, he gave them to Dr. HARPER. He retained the ten black and white 35 millimeter photographs in the Medical Photography Department at the Methodist Hospital of Dallas. He said no prints were made from this 35 millimeter black and white film.

BOLLETER advised that on the instructions of Dr. HARPER, he related this incident to no one other than possibly Mrs. PAULETTE CAROTHERS, a processor in the Medical Photography Department at Methodist Hospital of Dallas.

BOLLETER furnished the section of 35 millimeter black and white film containing ten photographs made of the bone

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specimen and stated he was instructed by THETFORD BOLTON BOONE, D.D., Administrator, Methodist Hospital of Dallas, that this film be returned to Dr. BOONE.

Dr. JACK C. HARPER, with offices located at 526 East Jefferson, Dallas, Texas, advised on July 10, 1964, that he had been interviewed previously by the FBI concerning a bone specimen which had been found by his nephew, BILLY A. HARPER, on November 23, 1963, near the site where President KENNEDY was assassinated. Dr. HARPER said he and Dr. A. B. CAIRNS, the Chief Pathologist, Methodist Hospital of Dallas, examined this bone specimen on November 25, 1963, and both agreed that it was a piece of human skull. Further, he stated in view of the proximity of the place where the piece of bone was located, it might possibly be a part of President KENNEDY's skull.

Dr. HARPER stated he took this bone specimen to the Medical Photography Department at the Methodist Hospital of Dallas and had two 35 millimeter color slides taken of the bone specimen by M. WAYNE BOLLETER, Chief Medical Photographer. Dr. HARPER stated one of the slides depicts a concave view of the bone specimen and the other slide depicts the convex view of the bone specimen.

Dr. HARPER said he did not have the color slides at his office, but would instruct his wife to make these two color slides available to the FBI.

On July 10, 1964, Mrs. JACK C. HARPER, 534 Monssen Drive, Dallas, Texas, furnished the above two 35 millimeter color slides and stated her husband had instructed that she request these slides be returned to him.

As instructed in reButel, enclosed herewith are the above-mentioned two 35 millimeter color slides and a strip of black and white 35 millimeter film containing 10 photographs taken of the bone specimen.

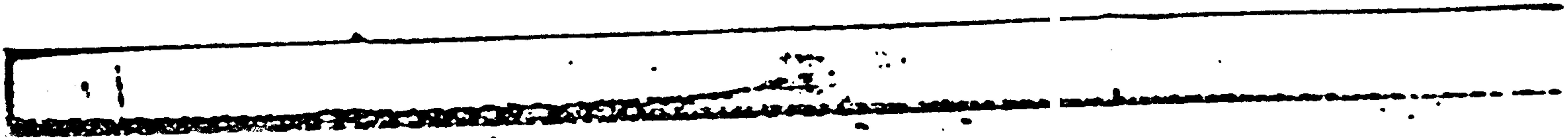
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As noted above, the Bureau is requested to return the two 35 millimeter color slides and the strip of 35 millimeter black and white film containing the ten photographs taken of the bone specimen so they may be returned to the contributors, as requested.

Letterhead memorandum will follow under OSWALD caption.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

JUL 23 1964

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TO DIRECTOR /105-82555/
FROM NEW ORLEANS /100-16601/

LEE HARVEY OSWALD, AKA, IS DASH R DASH CUBA. PAREN

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RESULTS OF INTERVIEW WITH JERRY HERALD, PHOTOGRAPHER,
PARIS DASH MATCH MAGAZINE, GONZALES, LOUISIANA, CONTAINED
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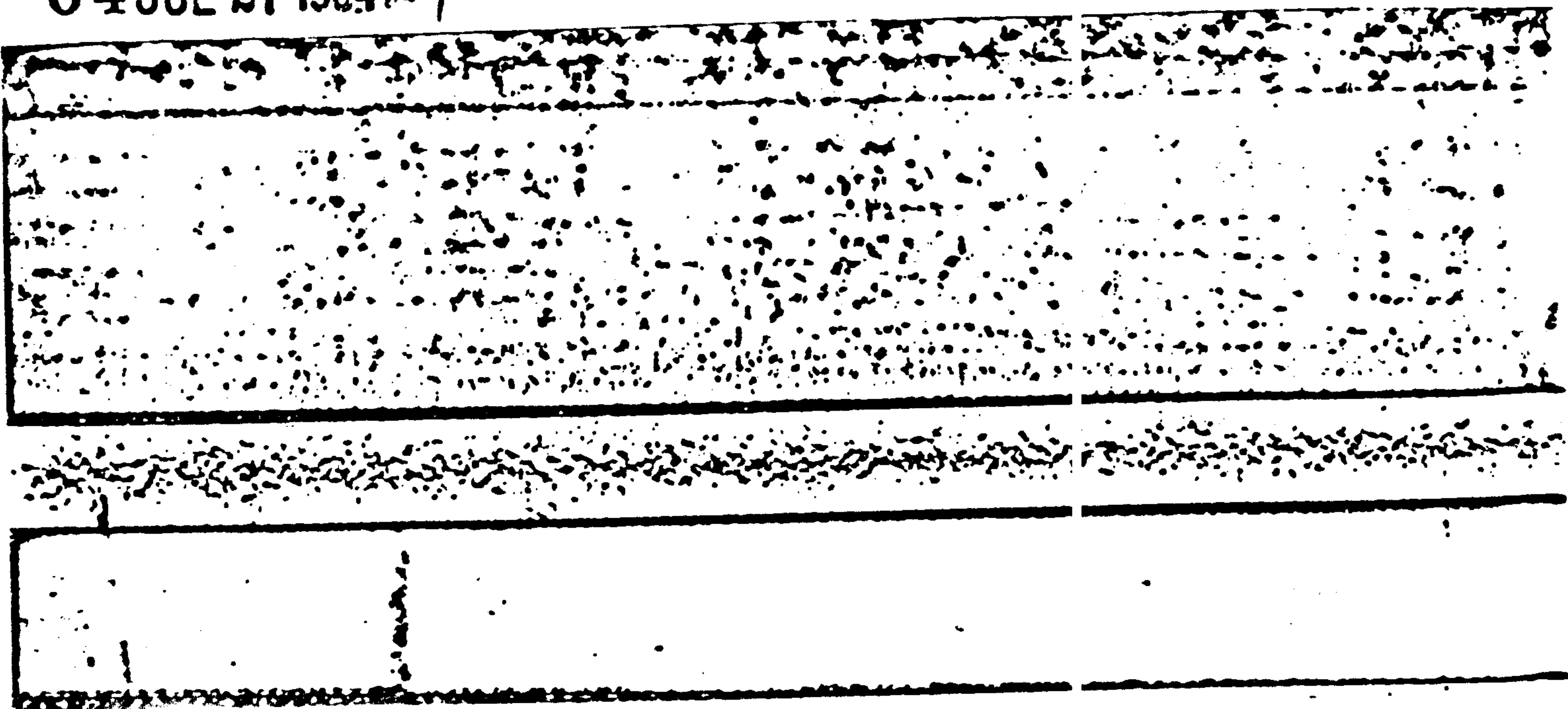
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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (105-82555)
FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (105-38431)
SUBJECT: LEE HARVEY OSWALD, aka
IS-R-CUBA (CRIMINAL SECTION)

ReBuairtel to Dallas with enclosures, dated 7/2/64,
and NY airtel to Bureau, with enclosures, dated 7/7/64.

Enclosed for the Bureau are 10 copies of LHM
reflecting interview with PAUL MATTHIAN, Reporter, Paris-Match
Magazine, NYC. Enclosed for information of Dallas is one copy
of same LHM.

Interview conducted by SA JOHN JAMES O'FLAHERTY.

MATTHIAN stated that the 12/28/63 issue of Paris-Match,
a French magazine, reflected some of the results of his inquiries
re the assassination including his contact, accompanied by
Miss JEAN CAMPBELL, with Mrs. HUNTER of Irving, Texas. He
added that he personally furnished several issues of
Paris-Match, containing his articles on the assassination, to
ELLEN MC CLOY, the daughter of Mr. MC CLOY of the President's
Commission, on occasions when he had dinner with Miss MC CLOY.

See memo dated 7/2/64 re LHM

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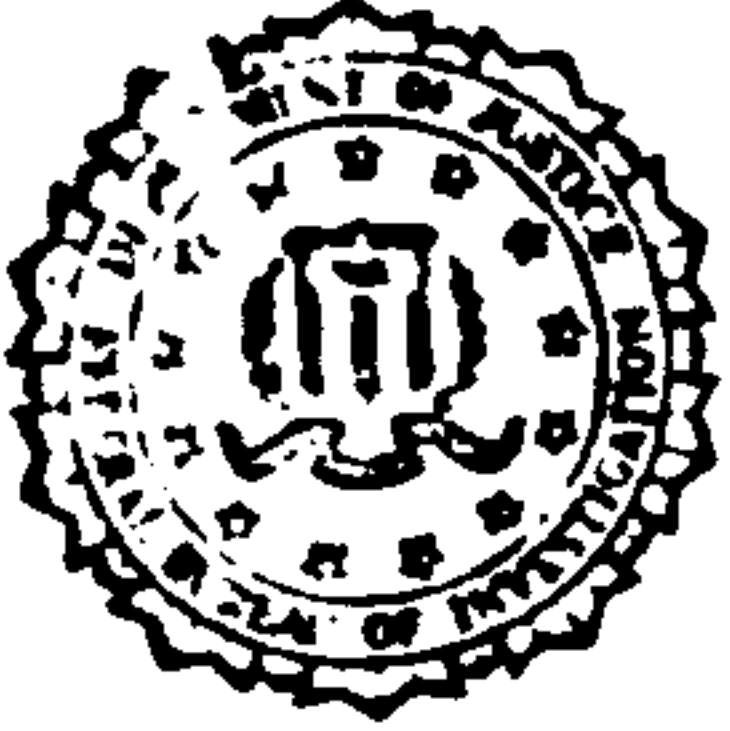
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

New York, New York
July 9, 1964

Lee Harvey Oswald

On July 6, 1964, Miss Jean Campbell, U.S. Political Correspondent, "London Evening Standard", was interviewed concerning the details of her contact with Mrs. Edith Whitworth and the alleged visit of the Oswald family to Mrs. Whitworth's store in Irving, Texas. During the interview with Miss Campbell, the results of which are set forth in New York memorandum dated July 7, 1964, she advised that in addition to her contact with Mrs. Whitworth, she interviewed Mrs. Gertrude Hunter who was present in the Whitworth store during the alleged Oswald visit. On this latter interview, she was accompanied by Paul Matthian, a reporter, for the Paris-Match Magazine.

In view of Mr. Matthian's presence during the interview between Miss Campbell and Mrs. Hunter, he was contacted by a Special Agent of the New York Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation on July 8, 1964, at his office 22 East 67th Street, New York City, and furnished the following information:

He stated that he accompanied Miss Jean Campbell on an interview with a Mrs. Hunter in Irving Texas, regarding Mrs. Hunter's comments concerning the visit of the Lee Harvey Oswald family to the store of Mrs. Edith Whitworth, an acquaintance of Mrs. Hunter.

Matthian recalled that Mrs. Hunter, in attempting to determine the date of the Oswald visit to the store, associated the date with a particular bus trip that her husband had taken, and she decided that the Oswald visit must have occurred on either Wednesday, November 6, 1963 or Thursday, November 7, 1963, a day or so subsequent to her husband's bus trip.

He advised that Mrs. Hunter stated that she devoted more attention to Marina Oswald than to Lee Harvey Oswald because Marina was carrying an infant, approximately two to three weeks

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old, in her arms. Mrs. Hunter voiced some nice remark about the baby and recalls that Marina did not reply to Mrs. Hunter's comment. Mrs. Hunter then stated, according to Matthian, that Oswald spoke to Marina in a foreign language, apparently apprising Marina of Mrs. Hunter's comments.

Matthian advised that he does not recall whether Mrs. Hunter mentioned exactly what it was that Oswald needed for his gun. He also stated that he does not recall whether Mrs. Hunter stated that Mrs. Whitworth referred Oswald to the "Irvington Sports Shop" or merely indicated in the direction of the Irvington Sports Shop.

Matthian stated that when Mrs. Hunter remarked that the Oswalds entered a 1957 or 1958 two tone blue and white Ford, he asked her why she remembered the type car used by the Oswalds. He stated that Mrs. Hunter's reply was that Oswald, operating the vehicle, made a "U" turn and was about to proceed in the wrong direction on a one way street. Matthian did not recall whether Mrs. Hunter stated that she informed Oswald of the illegal turn or he became aware of his error in some other way but he does believe that Mrs. Hunter stated that Oswald was then instructed to back the vehicle down the street toward the Irvington Sports Shop.

1 - Mr. Griffith
1 - Mr. Shaney

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To: SAC, Dallas (100-10461)

From: Director, FBI (105-82555)

LEE HARVEY OSWALD, aka
IS - R - CUBA

ReBuairtel 7/13/64 and urtel 7/15/64 regarding The President's Commission request for further investigation of the mark on the curb along the south curb of Main Street, as shown in the photograph submitted with airtel 6/16/64.

Your teletype 7/15 states that the mark was not found but a point along the curb was located. In order to fulfill the request of the Commission, the FBI Laboratory needs certain photographs and additional information and you are requested to do the following:

1. Obtain new prints of the photographs made by Dillard and Underwood, which photographs were described in previous correspondence, requesting that they furnish prints of the entire negative without any cropping.
2. Take a photograph of the curb, including the surrounding reference points, such as the overpass, lamp post and surrounding buildings. You should place a marker of some type at the point on the curb so that it will show in this photograph.
3. Take a photograph of the point located on the curb that will show close detail similar to the Dillard photograph but include slightly more area than the full negative prints of the Dillard and Underwood photographs. It is recommended that a tripod be used with ground-glass focusing for maximum sharpness and composition. It would also be desirable to duplicate the lighting of the Dillard photograph, if possible.

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Re: LEE HARVEY OSWALD
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4. Duplicate the Underwood photograph taken of the Texas School Book Depository (TSBD) building using 4 by 5 Speedgraphic camera for better detail.
5. Determine the point where a straight line between the mark on the curb and the purported position of the assassin's rifle in the sixth floor window of the TSBD building would have crossed the center of Elm Street.
6. Using the Speedgraphic camera with the lens approximately at the mark on the curb, take a photograph directly at the window of the TSBD building, also showing in the photograph a man standing in the street at the point established in #5 above.
7. Take a photograph using the Speedgraphic camera from Zapruder's position of a man standing at the point in the center of Elm Street established in #5 above.
8. Furnish sufficient information regarding the point established in #5 above so that it can be located on the plat map of the area by measurement of fixed reference points.

The above investigation and photographs should be handled as soon as possible and the resulting information and photographs furnished to the FBI Laboratory without delay so that the request of the Commission can be completed.

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1 - Mr. Raupach

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TO SAC, NEW ORLEANS

FROM DIRECTOR, FBI (105-82555)

LEE HARVEY OSWALD, AKA., IS - R - CUBA. (CRIMINAL SECTION)

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ADVISE BY RETURN TELETYPE WHEN RESULTS OF INTERVIEW WITH JERRY HERALD, PHOTOGRAPHER, PARIS - MATCH MAGAZINE, GONZALES, LOUISIANA, WILL BE RECEIVED. THIS LEAD IS THE ONLY ONE PENDING WHICH CONCERNS A PRESIDENTIAL COMMISSION REQUEST. IF THIS MATTER HAS BEEN HANDLED, ADVISE DATE OF YOUR COMMUNICATION WHICH TRANSMITTED LHM TO BUREAU.

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NOTE:

This matter related to the repair tag located at the Irving Sport Shop, Irving, Texas, bearing the name "Oswald." The Commission by letter dated June 30, 1964, requested additional investigation concerning this matter as it appeared Dial D. Ryder, employee Irving Sport Shop, fabricated the repair tag.

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July 23, 1964

BY COURIER SERVICE

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

Lee Oswald

Dear Mr. Rankin:

Reference is made to your letter dated May 20, 1964, and several discussions held between Mr. Howard Willens of your staff and Inspector James R. Malley of this Bureau.

This will confirm the discussions held between Mr. Willens and Inspector Malley in which it was agreed there is no necessity for making available to the Commission for permanent record the reports from our Dallas Office for the year 1963 which pertain to persons believed active in the Communist Party or the Socialist Workers Party. Regarding your request concerning the John Birch Society and "Minutemen," this is to advise this Bureau did not conduct any investigation of those organizations or its members in the State of Texas during 1963.

This completes the data requested by your referenced letter.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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- 1 - 62-104401, (John Birch Society)
- 1 - 62-107261 ("Minutemen")

NOTE:

The Commission by letter 5/20/64 requested it be furnished reports and summaries of data in possession of the Houston, Texas offices pertaining to the Fair Play for Cuba Committee (FPCC), as well as anti-Castro organizations; data

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Honorable J. Lee Rankin

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regarding members active in the Communist Party (CP) and the Socialist Workers Party (SWP) in Dallas and Fort Worth, along with information regarding the results of any investigation the Bureau conducted in Texas during 1963 concerning the John Birch Society (JBS) or "Minutemen" or their members. Data concerning the FPCC and anti-Castro organizations have been previously furnished the Commission by separate communication.

In discussions between Inspector Malley and Mr. Willens of the Commission, reports were made available to the Commission for review, and discussed with Willens by Inspector Malley, relative to CP or SWP members. We have now received these reports back from the Commission with the advice the Commission saw no necessity for them being made a part of the permanent records of the Commission. These reports are as follows:

1. SA W. Harlan Brown, Dallas, 1/22/63, re
[REDACTED] Bufile 100-357226.

2. SA W. Harlan Brown, Dallas, 1/23/64, re [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] 100-357226.

3. SA James P. Hosty, Jr., Dallas, 4/18/63, re
[REDACTED] Bufile 100-363271.

4. SA W. Harlan Brown, Dallas, 6/10/63, re
[REDACTED] Bufile 100-346332.

5. SA Edwin D. Kuykendall, Dallas, 8/29/63, re
[REDACTED] Bufile 100-370287.

6. SA Edwin D. Kuykendall, Dallas, 8/30/63, re
[REDACTED] Bufile 100-375149.

7. SA James P. Hosty, Jr., Dallas, 8/31/63, re
[REDACTED] Bufile 100-362864.

8. SA James P. Hosty, Jr., Dallas, 8/31/63, re
[REDACTED] Bufile 100-414706.

Honorable J. Lee Rankin

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9. SA W. Harlan Brown, Dallas, 10/22/63, re [REDACTED]
Bufile 100-232743.

10. SA W. Harlan Brown, Dallas, 1/15/64, re [REDACTED]
Bufile 100-346332.

11. SA W. Harlan Brown, Dallas, 4/14/64, re [REDACTED]
Bufile 100-232743.

12. SA Richard L. Wiehl, Dallas, 4/20/64, re [REDACTED]
Bufile 100-4281.

13. SA James P. Hosty, Jr., Dallas, 4/28/64, re [REDACTED]
Bufile 100-363211.

July 22, 1964

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100-43223-4495

Miss Margaret Ann Kerr
8766 Burton Way
Los Angeles, California 90048

Dear Miss Kerr:

Mr. Hoover received your letter of July 17th and asked me to thank you for your kind comment concerning his work.

He also wanted you to know that in accordance with President Johnson's instructions, the FBI conducted an investigation of the assassination of President Kennedy and related events. The results have been furnished the Presidential Commission, and it will be the responsibility of the Commission to determine what information should be made public. You should be assured that this Bureau explored every feasible ramification of this case with the highest degree of thoroughness and dispatch.

Sincerely yours,

Helen W. Gandy
Secretary

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Miss Margaret Ann Kerr

NOTE: Correspondent is on the "Do Not Contact" list. She furnished information from the American Library of Information, a private intelligence organization. This organization had been a regular contact used by the Bureau. In 1956 the United States Attorney desired her testimony in a case, and she stated she could testify only if her employer, W. A. Worton, Major General of the United States Marine Corps (retired), agreed. Worton stated that his organization could make data available to the FBI only if it were reimbursed for the time spent and that none of its employees or records could be made public. As a result of this situation, the Los Angeles Office was instructed to have no further contact with Miss Kerr, General Worton or this organization without prior Bureau approval.

Miss Margaret Ann Ken

8766 Burton Way, Los Angeles, California 90048

PERSONAL

July 17th, 1964.

HON. J. EDGAR HOOVER, DIRECTOR,
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION,
WASHINGTON, D. C.

My dear Mr. Hoover:

At the risk of redundancy, permit me to submit the following which I brought to the attention of the HCUAA at the time of the assassination of our late President Kennedy, and about which I have heard nothing further:

The first radio comment I heard quoted HARVEY LEE OSWALD as refusing to talk until he could speak to "ABT". I heard this broadcast only once. Oswald also parroted Castro, etc. when he declared "I am a Marxist!"

Undoubtedly your office has such of record concerning the key inner-circle Communist activities of JOHN J. ABT of New York; his early association with the Rosenberg case, etc., etc. I have wondered if perchance Mr. Abt might also have had contact directly or indirectly with JACK RUBY; further, if ABT might have been the link between OSWALD and RUBY, and even the terrorist apparatus (formerly the OGPU) which functions secretly and separately and whose personnel and operations are world-wide and unknown even to the CP leadership, who desperately fear its many ramifications.

In view of the recent releases of the WARREN COMMISSION FINDINGS, I trust these facets may be thoroughly explored.

With congratulations on your fine work
at all times,

Respectfully and very sincerely,

Margaret Ann Ken
(Formerly Secretary of Board and Genl. Mgr
Better America Federation and
The AMERICAN LIBRARY OF INFORMATION
until their dissolution - etc.
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1-Mr. Belmont
1-Mr. Conrad
1-Mr. Malley

Mr. Downing
Mr. Rolander

SAC, New York

July 17, 1964

Director, FBI (105-82555)

LEE HARVEY OSWALD
IS - R - CUBA

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Enclosed herewith is a copy of a self-explanatory letter to the Bureau from J. Lee Rankin of The President's Commission dated July 14, 1964. Also enclosed is a copy of a translation prepared in this matter by SA Anatole A. Boguslav as well as photographs of the original foreign language material.

Since only the parentheses reflected in paragraph ten represent a translator's note, and do not appear in the original, an amended translation has been furnished to the Commission specifically identifying this parenthetical expression as a translator's note. A copy of the Bureau's reply to the Commission is also attached for your information.

The enclosed photographs should be returned to the Bureau.

It is requested that you secure from SA Boguslav a memorandum of explanation, and submit the memorandum to the Bureau together with your recommendations in the matter.

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1-Personnel file of SA Anatole A. Boguslav

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(NOTE: See memo C. F. Downing to Mr. Conrad
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FROM: SAC, OKLAHOMA CITY (105-783) -P-
SUBJECT: LEE HARVEY OSWALD, aka.
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Re Dallas airtels to Bureau 6-29-64, and 7-7-64;
Dallas teletype to Bureau 7-7-64.

Enclosed for the Bureau are 10 copies of a
Letterhead Memorandum setting out interview of VERA STINNETT,
Duncan, Oklahoma.

Two copies of this LHM are furnished Dallas,
Office of Origin.

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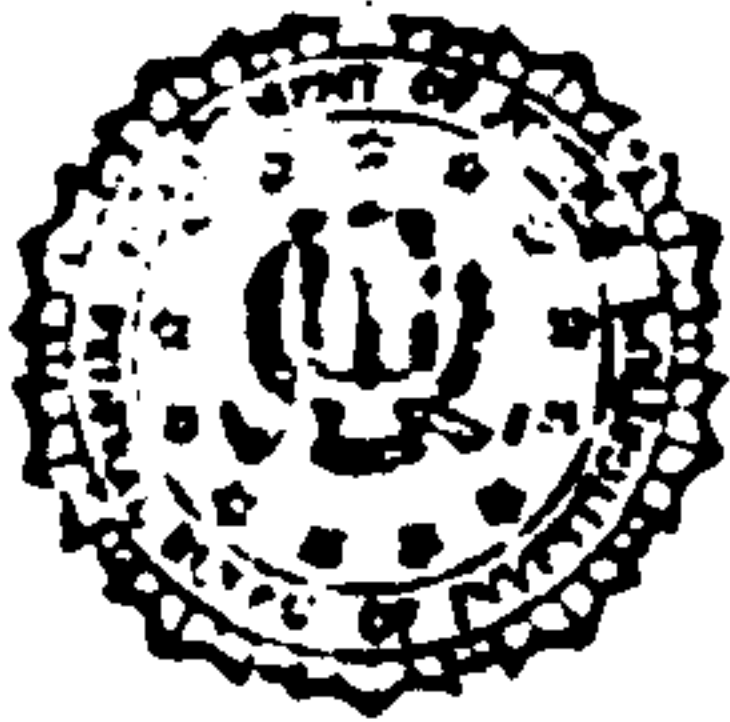
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
July 10, 1964

In Reply, Please Refer to
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LEE HARVEY OSWALD

On July 2, 1964, Dean Washington McAdams, 424 College Avenue, Fort Worth, Texas, was interviewed by the Dallas Division of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. McAdams, a blind individual, made the statement he has been corresponding with Vera Stinnett, 717½ Hackberry Avenue, Duncan, Oklahoma, also a blind person. He alleged she told him in one of her letters to him that she had corresponded with a Harry Candage, of Cambridge, Massachusetts, and Candage, in a letter dated in July, 1963, had told her President Kennedy was to be killed by Lee Harvey Oswald if the President came to Dallas, or would be killed by a Charles Williams if the President came to Fort Worth, Texas.

On July 10, 1964, Vera Stinnett, 117½ Hackberry Avenue, Duncan, Oklahoma, stated she has been blind since birth, and over the years has learned to read and write by Braille. For the past two or three years she has been in touch with the Little Correspondence Club, run by Lulu Browbent, in Elk City, Oklahoma. She said Lulu Browbent supplies members with names of blind people who wish to correspond with each other. This is how her, Vera Stinnett's, name became known to McAdams.

In March, 1963, Vera Stinnett received a Braille letter from McAdams, whom she had never met, nor had she ever corresponded before. This letter merely introduced McAdams to Miss Stinnett. She replied with a letter to McAdams within two or three weeks within receipt of his letter and this letter merely told him she was happy to receive his letter and would like to hear from him again.

In July, 1963, Miss Stinnett again received a letter from McAdams. In this letter McAdams accused her of being the head of a dope ring in Wichita Falls, Texas, and was going to turn Miss Stinnett in if she did not quit this dope ring. She said in this letter he named a group of people, whom she had never heard of as being active members in this dope ring. She further stated the letter

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was so confusing and so vicious that she decided she would not correspond with McAdams. She said she felt from the way the letter was written McAdams belonged in a mental institution.

Miss Stinnett stated she did not know a Harry Candage, of Cambridge, Massachusetts, nor has she corresponded with anyone by that name. She further advised that at no time, in any of her letters to anyone, has she mentioned the assassination of President Kennedy, nor has she mentioned the names of Lee Harvey Oswald or Charles Williams.

July 15, 1964

LEE HARVEY OSWALD

Attached are translations from Braille of two letters which were turned over to Special Agents of the FBI on June 26, 1964, by Captain Walter C. Farrin, Dallas Police Department, who in turn had received the letters from Dean Washington McAdams.

McAdams on July 2, 1964, advised Special Agents of our San Antonio Office that these letters had been received from Vera Stinnett, Duncan, Oklahoma.

Both letters are being retained by the FBI Laboratory.

717-1/2 Hackberry,
Duncan, Okla.
August 12, 1963.

Dear

I received your letter today, I had been wanting to hear from you but I can't say I was glad to get a letter like that, Dean I don't know what you are talking about I did not write you a letter telling you any such thing like you had in your letter, I told you if your children or anyone should tell me anything to try to turn me against you, that I would not believe them, and that is the truth Dean, but no one has said anything against you, to me, and I have not tried to find anything against you, Dean I believe what you have told me about your father and that is all I want to know is what you tell me, Dean please believe me, I do not know what happen(ed) but there must be someone here trying to make trouble for me, so try to understand and find out what happen(ed) before you hate me as I know you think you do now, Dean you don't know how I have wanted to hear from you, and wondered why you did not write? It was two weeks today since I had heard from you,

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I answered that letter and I thought you would write again, but when you did not write or call anymore I didn't know what to think, I wanted to call you but I didn't know how to call you I thought you might be sick, I couldn't believe that you would just quit writing to me withou(t) giving me a good reason, Dean you will not ever know just how much it hurt me when I heard your letter read. If you write me anymore letters like this one please write it in Braille so I can read it myself, but I hope you will not ever call me bth (possibly bad?) names anymore withou(t) you have a good reason, Dean I was so happy when you told me on the phone that you thought you would not go on that job this fall, I believe I was thinking more about you than you ever knew, I guess that is the reason it hurt me so much when I heard the awful things you said to me, but I know you do not care to hear for (sic) and (sic) things like that now, I doubt if you even read this, but I am writing with the hopes you will read it and will try to believe me, I know you do not have a very good opinion of me, but I hope you will try to find out more about who wrote to you before you blame me too much I do not know anymore about the person that did this than you do, but I do know it was not me, but if you would tell me more about it maybe I could find out more about it. Dean I have missed your letters I will close now and if you care to write to me I will be very happy to hear from you, all I can say is I hope you will believe me and will let me help you find out more about who did for (sic) and (sic) that to you, but if you do not believe me you will always believe a lie.
As ever

Vera Stinnett.

717½ Hackberry,
Duncan, Okla.
Aug. 21, 1963.

Dear Friend Dean.

I do not want to hurt you or make you mad, but Dean I think it would be best if you did not come out here, because the way they are doing you, you know they will not ever leave you alone, you said that yourself I have not ever been in trouble with a gang like that, and I do not wish to be, if they can do something like write that letter and me not even know it they can do anything else I think from the way you write you do not believe me about that letter, but

Dean I will always I did not write it, maybe someday you will believe me I hope so if you ever get away for (sic) for (sic) for (sic) from Fort Worth, and they leave you alone, then maybe we can talk about you coming out here but Dean I am just afraid of them and I can't help it, so please don't blame me too much, I believe you when you say you do not want to be in with them and I know you will not ever be like they are, I hope you can help catch them and put a stop to what they are doing, Dean please don't write me another letter like the other one you wrote me because I write to you like this, because I do not mean to hurt you, but I can't help feeling this way, and I hope it will not be long until things will not be this way, but for now I just think it would be better if you do not come out here. I would like to hear from you if you would care to write to me, I would like very much to have you for a friend, and Dean I hope you will feel like you can trust me, because you can where (sic) you believe it or not. Well Dean I will close for this time I hope this finds you feeling better, As ever your Friend.

Vera Stinnett.

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Date: 7/22/64

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Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (105-82555)
FROM: SAC, DALLAS (100-10461) (P)
SUBJECT: LEE HARVEY OSWALD, aka
IS-R-CUBA
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Re telephone call of SAC J. GORDON SHANKLIN to Inspector JAMES R. MALLEY, 7/22/64, concerning a request from President's Commission Representative LIEBELER, of this date, who is now in Dallas, Texas, for the photograph of the unidentified individual in Mexico which was exhibited to Mrs. MARGUERITE OSWALD by SA BARDWELL D. ODUM in a cut-down condition.

Upon authorization from Inspector MALLEY, a photograph of the cut-down photograph of the unidentified individual was personally delivered to Mr. LIEBELER at the Dallas U. S. Attorney's Office by SA BARDWELL D. ODUM. SA ODUM observed, at the time he delivered this photograph on 7/22/64, that Mr. LIEBELER was interviewing SYLVIA ODIO, a Cuban refugee, and wanted the above-described photograph to exhibit to her.

Information pertaining to SYLVIA ODIO and the information furnished by her is reflected in the report of SA ROBERT P. GEMBERLING, dated 12/23/63, at Dallas, Texas, in captioned case on pages 643 through 647. Additional investigation conducted based on the information from Miss ODIO is reflected in the report of SA JAMES J. O'CONNOR, dated 12/31/63, at Miami, Fla, on pages 18 through 26.

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Mr. LIEBELER stated he would immediately return the above-described photograph to the Dallas Office of the FBI.

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By letter dated July 7, 1964, the President's Commission advised that among those interviewed by the Dallas Police in connection with the assassination of President Kennedy was captioned individual, at that time an employee of the Texas School Book Depository. Commission reported that Molina's home was searched by Dallas Police Department on the morning of November 23, 1963, and he was interrogated 5 or 6 hours at the police station.

According to the Commission, while Molina was in the police station, Dallas police officials told the press he was being interrogated in connection with the assassination, that he had a subversive background, and that the Dallas Police had material on him in their subversive file. Molina was not formally arrested or charged.

The Commission also reported that according to a radio broadcast of Station KRLD on November 23, 1963, Molina may have been identified by the Justice Department as a possible subversive. The Commission also noted that Molina was required to sign a statement by the Dallas Police concerning Molina's affiliation with an organization called The American GI Forum.

The Commission requested that the FBI investigate the incident regarding Molina. The Commission is particularly interested in determining whether the Justice Department or any of its agencies had a file on Molina and gave the Dallas Police Department any information concerning any subversive activities by Molina. Commission also interested in the handling of the Molina interrogation by the Dallas Police Department and whether the adverse publicity afforded him in connection with such incident has caused him to have difficulty finding employment.

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Memorandum Mr. Braniff to Mr. Sullivan
Re: Joseph Rodriguez Molina
105-126101

Our files indicate Molina was active in the Dallas Chapter of the American GI Forum during the period 1955 to 1962. The Dallas chapter of this organization was active in promoting better Latin-American relations in Dallas and had for a primary aim the prevention of discrimination against Latin-Americans in Dallas. Dallas Office has received a number of informant reports concerning Molina during the years 1955 to the present, but there is no indication he is a Communist Party member or sympathetic to communism. We have also interviewed Molina in connection with the assassination of President Kennedy and Molina has stated that he worked in the Texas School Book Depository during the period Oswald was employed there but hardly knew him and cannot recall ever speaking to him. Results of our interviews with Molina concerning Lee Harvey Oswald have been furnished to the President's Commission.

Bufiles contain no indication that data in FBI files concerning Molina has been furnished to the Dallas Police Department.

By airtel May 14, 1964, the Dallas Office reported that according to a newspaper article in the "Dallas Times Herald" dated May 9, 1964, Molina is suing the radio station in Dallas which is city owned for \$100,000 for allegedly calling him a suspect in the assassination of President Kennedy. Molina, according to the article, indicated that the radio broadcast, damaged his reputation and exposed him to public hatred and financial loss.

ACTION:

We are instructing the Dallas Office to conduct appropriate investigation in connection with the instant request of the President's Commission. We are also reviewing our files concerning the American GI Forum of which Molina was a member in order to give the Commission a summary of data in our files concerning such organization. Upon receipt of the requested investigation, such data will be immediately forwarded to the President's Commission.

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JOSEPH RODRIGUEZ MOLINA
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Handwritten signatures: Rodriguez, J. Rodriguez

ReBuairtel to Dallas and WFO 7/10/64 with enclosed copy of letter dated 7/7/64 to Bureau from the President's Commission on the assassination of President KENNEDY.

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are six; for the Dallas Office three copies of a LHM dated and captioned as above setting forth negative results of inquiry conducted at Central Office, Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS), on 7/4/64 by SA CARL E. GRAHAM.

Referenced Buairtel pointed out that in the letter from the President's Commission on the assassination of President KENNEDY dated 7/7/64, enclosed for WFO, request was made to ascertain whether the Justice Department or any of its agencies have a file on MOLINA and whether any information from such file pertaining to MOLINA was

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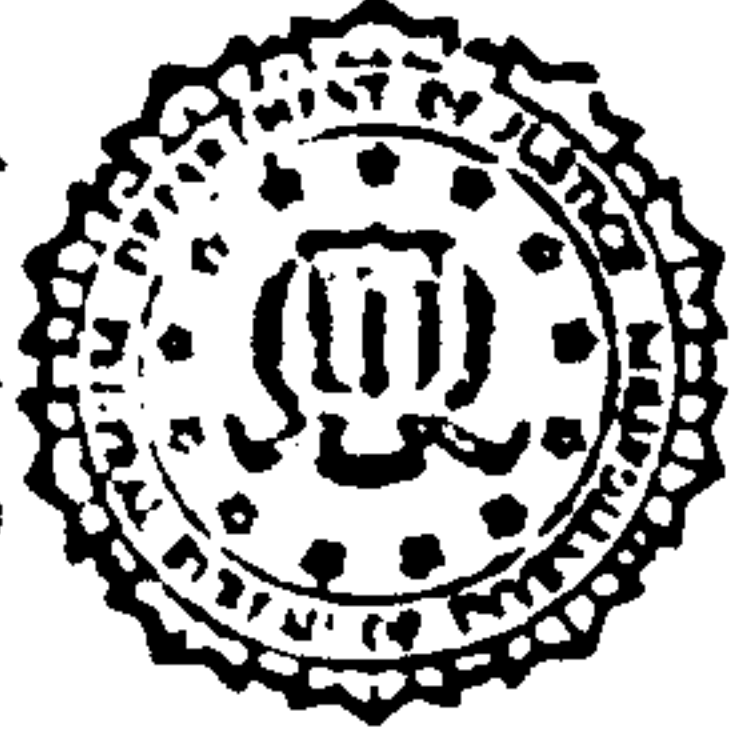
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furnished to the Dallas Police Department. WFO was requested to check records at Central Office, INS, to ascertain if INS had a file on MOLINA.

SIDNEY B. RAWITZ, Deputy Associate Commissioner for Security, Central Office, INS, advised SA GRAHAM on inquiry that INS formerly maintained a subversive index and an intelligence index. He stated all such indices were incorporated in the Central Office Master Index and if any information were available in INS Central Office files pertaining to MOLINA, such reference would be indicated in INS Master Index. As reported in enclosed LHM, a search of that index was negative.



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In Reply, Please Refer to
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July 17, 1964

JOSEPH RODRIGUEZ MOLINA

It is to be noted that on November 22, 1963, the date of the assassination of President John Fitzgerald Kennedy, Joseph Rodriguez Molina, born June 18, 1924, at Dallas, Texas, was employed by the Texas School Book Depository, Dallas, Texas.

On July 4, 1964, a representative of the Federal Bureau of Investigation made inquiry at the Central Office, Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS), Washington, D. C., through Mr. Sidney B. Rawitz, Deputy Associate Commissioner for Security, INS, for any information in the files of that agency concerning Molina.

On the same date, Mr. Rawitz advised that a search of records at the Central Office, INS, failed to disclose any information in the files of that agency identifiable with Joseph Rodriguez Molina, born June 18, 1924, Dallas, Texas.

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