



1 - Mr. E. A. Mohr      1 - Mr. Branigan  
 1 - Mr. Conrad        1 - Mr. Downing  
 1 - Mr. Sullivan       1 - Mr. Rolander  
 1 - Mr. Malley

September 21, 1964

BY COURIER SERVICE

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

Dear Mr. Rankin:

Your letter dated September 16, 1964, enclosed a document in Russian which was included in material furnished to the Commission by the State Department.

The translation, which you requested, and the foreign language material are being forwarded herewith.

BY COURIER SVC.  
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Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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Enclosures (2)

ENCLOSURES ATTACHED

Olson \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mohr \_\_\_\_\_  
 Conrad \_\_\_\_\_  
 Callahan \_\_\_\_\_  
 DeLoach \_\_\_\_\_  
 Evans \_\_\_\_\_  
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 Rosen \_\_\_\_\_  
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 Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_  
 Holmes \_\_\_\_\_  
 Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

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TRANSLATION FROM RUSSIAN

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CERTIFICATE OF MARRIAGE No. 11 - PYa. No. 332281

Citizen OSWALD  
(surname)

LEE HARVEY  
(name and patronymic)

Year of birth 1939, 10/18

City of New Orleans  
(place of birth)

and citizen PRUSAKOVA  
(surname)

MARINA NIKOLAEVNA  
(name and patronymic)

Year of birth 1941, 7/17

City of Molotovsk, Arkhangelskaya Oblast  
(place of birth)

entered marriage April 30, 1961  
(to be written in figures)

One Thousand Nine Hundred and Sixty One,  
(and words)

regarding which an appropriate entry is made under No. 416 in the  
marriage register of the Civil Registrar's Bureau, month April  
date 30 year 1961.

TRANSLATED BY:  
MICHAEL G. LEONARD: mmg  
September 18, 1964

After the marriage, the following surnames were given to the:

husband OSWALD

wife OSWALD

certified to by signature and stamp

Place of registration City of Minsk, ZAGS (Civil Registrar's) Bureau

Leningrad District

location and name of the Civil Right's Bureau, ZAGS

Date issued April 30, 1961

Chief of the Civil Registrar's Bureau

(signature illegible)

On August 7, 1961, I, P. A. Nikiforenko, notary of the First Minsk State notary office, witness the correctness of this copy with its original. In comparing the copy with the original, no corrections, additions, crossed words and other peculiarities were noted.

State tax imposed 20 kopecks

Under registry No. 16-24362.

Sr. Notary /s/ Nikiforenko

\*Translator's Note

The visible printing on the seal in the left margin indicates:

Belorussian USSR  
Post Office of the BSSR

The printing on the bottom only partially visible. It indicates  
Main Section — Printing Order 3949  
Circulation 95,000

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

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TO : MR. TROTTER. *TT*

DATE: 9-23-64

FROM : S. F. Latona

SUBJECT: LEE HARVEY OSWALD, AKA;  
IS - R - CUBA

The palm prints of the following listed Bureau employees were submitted by the Little Rock Division for comparison with the remaining latent palm print from the cardboard cartons recovered in this case:

- SA Louis M. Kelley
- SA Henry J. Oliver
- SA Ralph E. Rawlings
- SA Paul L. Scott
- Gladys A. Manahan

The latent palm print is not identical with these palm prints.

The submitted palm prints are being retained.

Dallas, Little Rock, and Investigative Division being advised.

**ACTION:**

For information.

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- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. Conrad
- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Rosen (Attention: Mr. James R. Malley)
- 1 - Mr. Sullivan (Attention: Mr. R. E. Lenihan)
- 1 - 62-109060 (Assassination)
- 1 - 62-109090 (President's Commission)

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : MR. TROTTER *6/24*

FROM : S. F. Latona *[Signature]*

SUBJECT: LEE HARVEY OSWALD, AKA;  
IS - R - CUBA

DATE: 9-24-64

Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
 Belmont \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mohr \_\_\_\_\_  
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 Conrad \_\_\_\_\_  
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 Evans \_\_\_\_\_  
 Gale *[initials]*  
 Rosen *[initials]*  
 Sullivan \_\_\_\_\_  
 Tavel \_\_\_\_\_  
 Trotter \_\_\_\_\_  
 Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_  
 Holmes \_\_\_\_\_  
 Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

The palm prints of Inspector James Herbert Sawyer, Dallas Police Department, who could have possibly touched the four cartons in this case, were submitted by the Dallas Division with their airtel of 9-22-64, for comparison with the remaining latent palm print.

The latent palm print is not identical with those of Sawyer.

The submitted palm prints are being retained.

**ACTION:**

For information.

105-82555

- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. Conrad
- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Rosen (Attention: Mr. James R. Malley)
- 1 - Mr. Sullivan (Attention: Mr. R. E. Lenihan)
- 1 - 62-109060 (Assassination)
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Date: 9/17/64

Via AIRTEL

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AIR MAIL

(Priority)

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (105-82555)  
FROM: SAC, DETROIT (100-31965)  
LEE HARVEY OSWALD  
IS - R - CUBA

*J.R. [unclear]*  
*[unclear]*

Re Bureau airtel to Washington Field dated 9/14/64.  
Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are ten (10) copies and  
for Dallas one (1) copy of a LHM setting forth interview  
of SOL A. DANN concerning the leak of OSWALD's diary.

- 3 - Bureau (Enc. 10) (RM)
- 1 - Dallas (Enc. 1) (RM)
- 1 - Detroit
- LMC:sal
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*9/23/64 [unclear]*  
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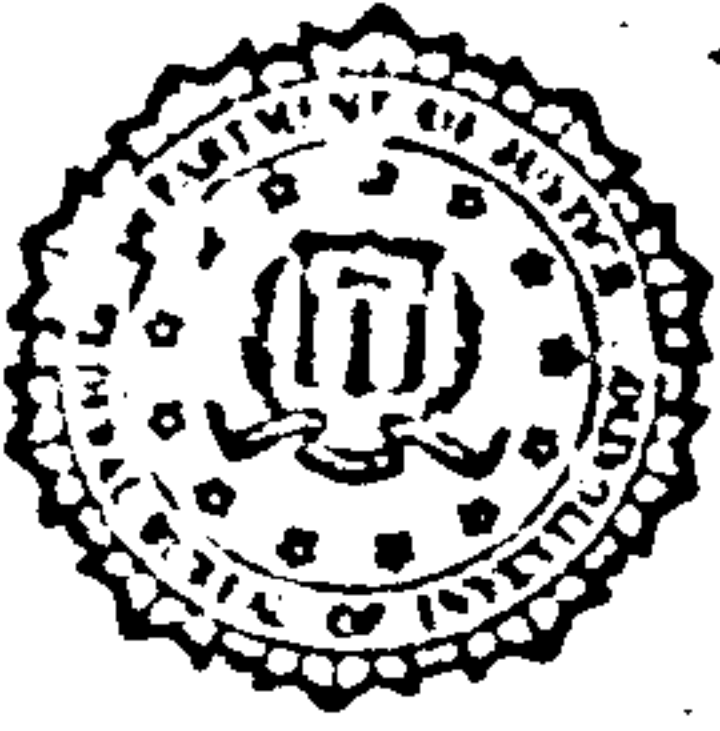
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Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
Special Agent in Charge

Sent \_\_\_\_\_

SEP 20 1964





UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, P:  
File No.

Detroit, Michigan  
September 17, 1964

Re: Lee Harvey Oswald

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Date 9/17/64

Mr. SOL A. DANN, Attorney, 1820 David Stott Building, Detroit, Michigan, was advised that he was being interviewed at the specific request of the President's Commission on the Assassination of President Kennedy.

Mr. DANN advised he had no information concerning the leak of the LEE HARVEY OSWALD diary and had no idea who may have furnished a copy of the diary to any news media.

On 9/17/64 at Detroit, Michigan File # Detroit 100-31965  
by SA LAWRENCE M. COOPER, Jr./sal Date dictated 9/17/64

FBI

Date: 9/20/64

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Via AIRTEL \_\_\_\_\_  
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, WFO

LEE HARVEY OSWALD, aka  
IS-R-CUBA  
(Attention: Criminal Section)  
(Bufile 105-82555)  
(WFO 105-37111) (P)

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JACK L. RUBY  
LEE HARVEY OSWALD - VICTIM  
CIVIL RIGHTS  
(Bufile 44-24016)  
(WFO 44-520) (P)

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ReBuairtel to WFO, 9/14/64, and WFOairtel to Bureau, 9/17/64.

Enclosed for Bureau are twelve copies, and for Dallas two copies, of LHM containing results of investigation and interviews by Special Agents of WFO during period of 9/16-20/64.

The Bureau will note the list of employees, consultants, and members of the Commission furnished WFO at the outset of this investigation contained thirty-one names of personnel. However, after investigation initiated, it was ascertained there were sixty-two persons engaged in various phases of the Commission work. WFO has interviewed

- 4 - Bureau (Enc.12)
- 2 - Dallas (Enc.2) (AM-RM)
- 2 - Washington Field

*let the Bureau  
9/20/64  
2 copies of LHM*

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Special Agent in Charge

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sixty-one persons, including several employees of Government Printing Office, who are temporarily assigned to the Commission and were found to have had some contact with material in question.

The enclosed material does not reflect results of interviews with all members and employees of the President's Commission on the Assassination of President Kennedy. No interview of Chief Justice EARL WARREN was conducted, pursuant to instructions contained in reBuairtel. WFO investigation identified some twenty-eight staff members and employees of the Commission, who were employed between 6/7/64 and 8/18/64, who were not currently in the Washington, D. C., area or no longer employed by the Commission. ReWFOairtel 9/17/64, set out leads to have these persons interviewed. In addition, SHARON KEGARISE, a former steno at the Commission, was determined to be away from Washington, D. C., for the weekend of 9/19-20/64. She is expected to return 9/21/64, at which time she will be interviewed and results thereof will be promptly submitted. It is noted WILLIAM T. COLEMAN, who resides in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and DAVID W. BELIN, who resides in Des Moines, Iowa, were located and interviewed in Washington, D. C., subsequent to dispatch of reWFOairtel 9/17/64. Both COLEMAN and BELIN are Legal Consultants to the Commission.

A review of the enclosed material will disclose investigation conducted to date has not located all copies of the transcript reflecting interview of JACK L. RUBY by Chief Justice WARREN, which transcript was published in the 8/18/64 edition of the "New York Journal-American" newspaper in an article authored by DOROTHY KILGALLEN. In this regard, it is noted the exact number of copies made of this transcript is in doubt; however, investigation determined five copies were reproduced by Ward and Paul, Washington, D. C., court reporters, and possibly thirteen other copies were reproduced by Commission employees.

The Ward and Paul copies of this transcript are distinguishable from the copies reproduced by the Commission in two ways. The Ward and Paul copies are bound in yellow cardboard covers and bear "Confidential" classification at the top and bottom of each page of the transcript. The Commission reproductions of this transcript located to date are neither bound nor bear any classification; however, it is not known if this is true for the transcripts not yet located.

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Details and importance of the classification appearing on the Ward and Paul copies set forth reWFOairtel dated 9/17/64. Based on information contained in enclosures hereto, and set forth in reWFOairtel, it appears likely a Ward and Paul reproduction was used by DOROTHY KILGALLEN in preparing her article. Based on this information, the FBI Laboratory is currently conducting examinations and comparisons of the five Ward and Paul copies in an effort to identify one of these copies as the source of KILGALLEN's information.

It is also noted WFO has received information to the effect the article published in the "New York Journal-American" does not contain that portion of the transcript appearing on page fifty-nine and the first five lines of page sixty. This information received from the Bureau. It is believed this deletion in the news article has significance; however, it is not apparent at this time.

It is realized the enclosed material does not reflect results of all investigation that could be conducted in this matter; however, it is believed results of FBI Laboratory examinations should be available prior to making further inquiry regarding the reproductions made by Commission employees. It is noted such inquiry will not be necessary if the Laboratory identifies one of the Ward and Paul copies as KILGALLEN's source. Also, results of recontacts with "New York Journal-American" and DOROTHY KILGALLEN, which were submitted for consideration of Bureau in reWFOairtel 9/17/64, would also be helpful prior to conducting further inquiry at the Commission.

In the event the FBI Laboratory is unable to isolate KILGALLEN's source as being one of the Ward and Paul reproductions, then WFO feels following inquiries should be made:

1. Obtain any and all classification stamps used by the Commission and submit same to Laboratory for examination and comparison with that appearing in newspaper reproduction of page 103 of this transcript.
2. Consider contacting Ward and Paul in effort to obtain stamps used by them for classifying documents reproduced for the Commission, and submit such stamps to the Laboratory for examination and comparison.

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3. Recontact logical members and employees of the Commission for the specific purpose of attempting to locate all reproductions of this transcript made by Commission employees with specific reference as to whether or not classification stamps were affixed to these reproductions; and the circumstances under which the Commission staff utilized classification stamps on any reproductions.
4. Conduct such inquiry as may be indicated as result of interviews recorded in enclosures hereto.

As stated above, WFO considers additional inquiries should await results of previously requested investigation; therefore, WFO anticipates conducting no further investigation until such information received, UACB.



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

WASHINGTON 25, D.C.

September 21, 1964

LEE HARVEY OSWALD

By letter dated September 10, 1964, the President's Commission on the Assassination of President Kennedy requested that investigation be conducted with regard to the unauthorized disclosures to news media of the Lee Harvey Oswald diary. The Commission requested interviews with members of the Commission and in addition, that interviews also be had with members of the Commission's staff.

Attention has been directed to news stories which related to the personal diary of Lee Harvey Oswald, his Discharge Certificate from the United States Marine Corps, a letter dated July 31, 1963, addressed to Oswald from the Communist Party, USA, and his International Certificate of Vaccination. In "The Dallas Morning News," Dallas, Texas, June 27, 1964, edition, a copyrighted article by reporter Hugh Aynesworth was printed concerning contents of Oswald's diary, together with a photograph of one of the pages of this diary. On June 28, 1964, the same newspaper carried a second article by Aynesworth concerning contents of the Oswald diary, a photograph of the letter addressed to Oswald from the Communist Party, USA, a photograph of his undesirable discharge from the United States Marine Corps dated September 13, 1960, and a photograph of Oswald's International Certificate of Vaccination.

In addition to these disclosures which appeared in the newspaper, "Life" magazine published a feature article concerning the contents of the Oswald diary and included photographs of that document.

Set forth hereinafter are the results of interviews conducted with members of the Commission and the Commission staff, who were located in the Washington, D.C., area during the period of September 16 through September 20, 1964:

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 9/19/64

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J. LEE RANKIN, General Counsel to the President's Commission on the Assassination of President Kennedy, 200 Maryland Avenue, N.E., was interviewed for any information he may have regarding the "leak" of information pertaining to the diary and other papers of LEE HARVEY OSWALD.

Mr. RANKIN stated he was not responsible for this or any other leak of information to any news media. He further said he has no information or knowledge as to the identity of the person or persons responsible for any such leaks.

Mr. RANKIN advised that on the basis of his review of various reports reflecting results of investigation conducted by the FBI, it is his opinion the source of the leak pertaining to the OSWALD diary and papers has been identified as being in Dallas, Texas.

On 9/18/64, at Washington, D. C. File # WFO 105-37111

by SAs CARL E. GRAHAM & HOMER E. HAUER CEG:mal Date dictated 9/18/64

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 9/17/64

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Senator JOHN SHERMAN COOPER of Kentucky, a member of the President's Commission on the Assassination of President KENNEDY, furnished the following information when he was interviewed at his office, Room 125, of the Old Senate Office Building:

With regard to the publication in the June 27 and 28, 1964, issues of "The Dallas Morning News," newspaper of information from the diary of LEE HARVEY OSWALD and photographs of other related documents, Senator COOPER said he did not make such information available to the paper or to any other person. Furthermore he stated he has no knowledge as to the means by which the newspaper came into possession of these items. He emphasized he has never disclosed any information relating to the findings of the President's Commission to any unauthorized person.

Senator COOPER was asked if he had any knowledge about the control of documents in the possession of the President's Commission. He said he is not familiar with the detailed handling of such materials, but as a Commission member he has received documents necessary to the deliberations of that body. Such items have been either handed to him personally at the Commission, or were delivered to his office by courier. He has studied these documents at his office and at home. They have been retained while in his office in a locked safe, and he is certain these documents in his custody have been secure. The only other person in his office who has had access to these documents is his secretary, Miss RUTH MIDTHUN, in whom he has complete confidence.

Senator COOPER said he is unable to furnish any information which would be of assistance in identifying the person or persons who made the unauthorized disclosure of the above documents, resulting in their publication in the press.

On 9/16/64 at Washington, D. C. File # WFO 105-37111

by SAs ALBERT H. SOLOMON, JR. and DONALD E. WALTER AHS:lkc Date dictated 9/16/64

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 9/16/64

Senator RICHARD B. RUSSELL of Georgia, a member of the President's Commission on the Assassination of President KENNEDY, furnished the following information when he was interviewed at his office, Room 205, of the Old Senate Office Building:

Concerning the publication in the June 27 and 28, 1964, issues of "The Dallas Morning News" newspaper of information from the diary of LEE HARVEY OSWALD and photographs of other related documents, Senator RUSSELL said he did not make such information available to the paper or to any other person. He stated he has no knowledge of the means by which the newspaper came into the possession of these items. He strongly asserted he has never disclosed any information relating to the findings of the President's Commission to any unauthorized person. He added that he has no information which would be of assistance in identifying the individual who made the unauthorized disclosure, resulting in the appearance of these items in the press.

On 9/16/64 at Washington, D.C. File # WFO 105-37111

by SAs ALBERT H. SOLOMON, JR. and DONALD E. WALTER AMS:kmm Date dictated 9/16/64

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Date 9/16/64

United States Congressman HALE BOGGS was interviewed in his office at the United States Capitol, Room H109 and furnished the following information:

Congressman BOGGS stated that he originally saw copies of the diary of LEE HARVEY OSWALD and other documents obtained by the Dallas Police Department between November 22 and 23, 1963, in Dallas, Texas, when they were passed to the Commission members at a Commission meeting. He believes that the copies he saw were photographs which were furnished to the Commission by the Federal Bureau of Investigation. He recalls specifically reading a copy of the OSWALD diary and also remembers seeing a story on the diary in an issue of "Life" magazine.

Congressman BOGGS stated that he is not acquainted with HUGH AYNESWORTH or CARL FREUND, reporters for the newspaper, "Dallas Morning News." He is sure that none of his staff are acquainted with these two reporters. He, himself, is not acquainted with anyone else affiliated with the "Dallas Morning News." He does have an administrative assistant in his capacity as Democratic Whip in the House of Representatives who very probably is acquainted with members of the Washington Bureau of the "Dallas Morning News." He is sure that this acquaintance is purely in line with his administrative assistant's duties in Congress. He pointed out that this administrative assistant has no access to Commission documents since they are all delivered to his office in the House Office Building rather than the United States Capitol and are maintained in a safe in that office.

He explained that Commission transcripts are delivered to him at his House office or his home by a Commission staff member in a sealed envelope. It is delivered to him by his own staff in the same condition. If he has time he reads the transcript and then maintains it in his safe. If he does not have time to read it he places it in his safe until he does have the time. No one on his staff or in his family has any access to these transcripts.

On 9/16/64 at Washington, D. C. File # WFO 105-37111

by SAs JAMES LEO ELDER and WILLIAM J. LANDER WJL:nln Date dictated 9/16/64

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Congressman BOGGS stated that he has never given any copy of any Commission transcript to any reporter for any newspaper.

He stated that in his own personal opinion he feels that the information that was leaked to the "Dallas Morning News" was leaked from someone in Dallas, Texas, and not in Washington, D. C. He knows of no one on the Commission staff or on the Commission itself who would leak such information.

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 9/16/64

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United States Congressman MALE BOGGS telephonically advised during the afternoon of September 16, 1964, that he wished to furnish the following information which has come to his attention regarding his handling of transcripts of the Commission:

Congressman BOGGS stated that in January or February, 1964, he did have a Commission transcript in his possession when he drove to the Friendship Airport, Baltimore, Maryland, in his automobile. He stated he left the transcript locked in his automobile in the Congressional parking area near the airport. He said when he returned to the airport two days later the transcript, which was not in connection with the matter discussed pertaining to the leak of information to newspaper reporters, was in the same position in the automobile and it did not appear to have been tampered with or removed from its original place in his car. He stated he wished this information to be a matter of record as it could come to light at some later date that he had left a Commission report in his automobile.

On 9/16/64 at Washington, D. C. File # WFO 105-37111

by SA JAMES LEO ELDER:nln Date dictated 9/16/64

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 9/17/64

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ALLEN W. DULLES, 2723 Q Street, N. W., Washington, D. C., a member of the President's Commission on the Assassination of President KENNEDY, advised as follows concerning the leak of information which appeared in "The Dallas Morning News" on June 27, and June 28, 1964, under the by-line of HUGH AYNESWORTH pertaining to the OSWALD diary and related papers:

Mr. DULLES does not know HUGH AYNESWORTH or any reporters or employees of "The Dallas Morning News". It is conceivable he may have met AYNESWORTH or other employees of this newspaper while he was in Dallas, Texas during May, 1964, with Commission members Senator JOHN SHERMAN COOPER and JOHN J. MC CLOY; however, their identities were not known to him then or now.

Mr. DULLES has seen the original OSWALD diary which he described as being in very poor handwriting to the point that it was almost illegible. He also saw a reproduction of the diary which appeared in an FBI report as well as another version which was "translated", that is, typed in a legible form. He saw the original diary during the early days of the Commission, probably during early December, 1963, at the Commission offices.

He has no information concerning the preparation or dissemination of the legible typed version of the diary. Mr. DULLES does not have a copy of the diary in any form nor did he retain the typed version beyond the usual period of a few days before returning same to the Commission staff. He said he did not furnish the diary, reproductions of the diary, or any information pertaining thereto to any news media or anyone else outside the Commission staff.

Mr. DULLES does not know who would have access to the diary within the Commission in addition to the Commission members but presumes it would be available to the staff as their work required.

On 9/16/64 at Washington, D. C. File # WFO 105-37111

by SAs JOHN G. GOEDEL and  
WILFRED R. SCHLARMAN JGG:lkc Date dictated 9/17/64

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 9/18/64

**JOHN J. MC CLOY**, member of the President's Commission on the Assassination of President Kennedy (the Commission) was interviewed at the Commission offices. He was questioned concerning the articles attributed to HUGH AYNESWORTH appearing in "The Dallas Morning News" on June 27 and June 28, 1964, concerning the diary and certain documents relating to LEE HARVEY OSWALD and the subsequent publication of the OSWALD diary in "Life" magazine.

Mr. MC CLOY advised he did not have the faintest idea who was responsible for furnishing copies of the documents which made either of the publications possible. He stated he had not furnished these documents to anyone and had never been requested to do so. He stated he felt certain that no member of the Commission was responsible.

Mr. MC CLOY advised that to the best of his recollection he does not know and has never met any of the following persons associated with "The Dallas Morning News": HUGH AYNESWORTH, PAULA AYNESWORTH, LARRY GROVES or JERRY RICHMOND. He was confident that none of these individuals had ever communicated with him in an effort to obtain copies of the OSWALD diary or the related documents.

Mr. MC CLOY stated that his only contact with "Life" magazine, which in any way had any relation to the KENNEDY assassination or matters growing out of the assassination, occurred in early 1964 when, on behalf of the Commission, he visited "Life" magazine and was permitted to view the original films made of the assassination by ABRAHAM ZAPRUDER. He stated that during this visit he selected certain frames from these films and photographs were subsequently furnished to the Commission by "Life."

On 9/18/64 at Washington, D. C. File # WFO 105-37111

by SAs MAURICE A. TAYLOR and KENNETH T. DELAVIGNE WAT:nln KTD:nln Date dictated 9/18/64

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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Date 9/13/64

Mrs. JULIA T. EIDE, Administrative Assistant to J. LEE RANKIN, General Counsel to President's Commission on the Assassination of President KENNEDY, 200 Maryland Avenue, N. E., was requested to furnish a list of persons who were working for the Commission between June 7, 1964, and August 18, 1964.

The following names were furnished:

LEGAL CONSULTANTS

<u>Name</u>		<u>Addresses</u>	<u>Phone Numbers</u>
ADAMS, FRANCIS W. H.	(Res.)	14 E. 90 Street, New York	Atwater 9-5244
	(Off.)	460 Park Avenue, New York	Plaza 1-0815
BALL, JOSEPH A.	(Res.)	4281 Country Club Drive, Long Beach, California	Garfield 4-7120
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BELIN, DAVID W.	(Res.)	7704 College Drive, Des Moines, Iowa	277-3383
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Mrs. BIRD states those names preceded by an asterisk are persons who are currently away from the Washington, D. C., area, or are no longer employed at the Commission.

It will be noted the names and occupational titles as obtained from Mrs. BIRD are set out as they were copied by her from her records of personnel. However, upon interview of these persons, it was determined some discrepancies had occurred in spellings of names as well as their titles as to duties with the Commission.



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Date 9/19/641*Beverly A. Heckman*

Mrs. BEVERLY A. HECKMAN, residence 4410 Hallet Street, Rockville, Maryland, employed as Secretary to Mr. J. LEE RANKIN, General Counsel to the President's Commission on the Assassination of President Kennedy, was interviewed at her office regarding the leaks of information to the press and other news media concerning the OSWALD diary and other papers.

Mrs. HECKMAN advised she was cognizant that such leaks had occurred, but she said she had no information whatsoever concerning how such leaks happened, nor the possible identity of any person or persons who might have been responsible.

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M. Josephine Farrar

JOSEPHINE M. FARRAR, 204 East Capitol Street, Washington, D. C., Chief of the Records Unit, President's Commission on the Assassination of President KENNEDY, advised as follows concerning the leak of information appearing in "The Dallas Morning News," on June 27 and 28, 1964, under the by-line of HUGH AYNESWORTH pertaining to the LEE HARVEY OSWALD diary and related papers:

Miss FARRAR recalled that shortly after reporting to the Commission on December 23, 1963, she received from Mrs. BEVERLY HECKMAN's office approximately 12 Xerox or otherwise reproduced copies of the OSWALD diary. These were placed in the file and sometime later, date unrecalled, eight copies were removed for the use, she presumes, of the Commission members. The approximately four remaining copies were subsequently given out to various staff members as the occasion required.

Her records never included the original OSWALD diary or papers.

She does not know HUGH AYNESWORTH or any other employee of "The Dallas Morning News" and has never made any copies of the OSWALD diary or related papers available to anyone outside the Commission or staff.

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DAVID W. BELIN, home address 7704 College Drive, Des Moines, Iowa, telephone 277-3383, who is a member of the law firm of Herrick, Langdon, Sandblom and Belin, was interviewed at the headquarters of the President's Commission on the Assassination of President Kennedy, 200 Maryland Avenue, N. E., Washington, D. C.

Mr. BELIN advised he has been working as a Legal Consultant with the Commission since approximately January 20, 1964. He said he had been working on a relatively full time basis until Memorial Day, 1964, at which time he returned to Des Moines, Iowa. He stated he had worked at the Commission on weekends until mid July, 1964, following his return to Des Moines, and since mid July the weekend of September 19-20, 1964, is his first occasion to be back at the Commission.

Mr. BELIN advised his primary area of interest in the Commission's inquiry is the period of time immediately prior to and after the assassination of President KENNEDY by LEE HARVEY OSWALD. Mr. BELIN explained his interest centers on LEE HARVEY OSWALD in this regard.

Mr. BELIN advised he believes he has read portions of the diary of LEE HARVEY OSWALD, however, he said he cannot recall reading this entire document. He said that if he has seen a copy of this diary, it was prior to February 1, 1964.

Mr. BELIN stated he recalls information pertaining to the diary of OSWALD being published by the news media. He said a Des Moines, Iowa, paper had carried a news release regarding this diary, but he said he does not remember the Des Moines paper printing a photograph of one of the pages of this document. He said he believes the Des Moines newspaper article was based on a story that originated in Dallas, Texas.

Regarding his contact with news media representatives in Dallas, Mr. BELIN said he had taken a deposition from one

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MICHAEL COUCH. Mr. BELIN identified MICHAEL COUCH as being the representative of a Dallas television station who had been in the motorcade with President KENNEDY at the time of the assassination and who had claimed to have seen a rifle barrel protruding from a window. Mr. BELIN informed he had possibly taken another deposition from another representative in this motorcade but could not be certain. He said he also had some contact with Dallas news media representatives at the time Commission members MC CLOY, COOPER, and LULLES went to Dallas to observe the site of this assassination. Mr. BELIN explained he had more or less conducted the Commission members on this tour and during the tour Dallas newspaper representatives had spoken with him. Mr. BELIN said any contact he had with news media representatives in Dallas on this occasion would have been limited to passing comments.

Mr. BELIN informed he has from time to time received requests for information regarding this inquiry from various news media personnel; however, he said all such requests had been answered with "no comment."

Mr. BELIN said he has never had any contact with HUGH AYNESWORTH or CARL FREUND, who are identified as Dallas, Texas, news reporters.

Mr. BELIN advised during the time he was in Dallas, Texas, with Commission members MC CLOY, COOPER, and LULLES, they had paid a courtesy call on the Dallas District Attorney's Office. He said he recalls JIM BOWIE and WILLIAM ALEXANDER were the persons who were contacted during this courtesy call since the Dallas District Attorney was not present. Mr. BELIN did not recall receiving any requests for material from either BOWIE or ALEXANDER.

Mr. BELIN advised he recalls discussing the leak of OSWALD's diary and miscellaneous papers with the United States Attorney from Dallas, H. BAREFOOT SANDERS. He said he remembers this discussion as being either during late June or early July, 1964, during a time Mr. SANDERS was in Washington, D. C. Mr. BELIN said SANDERS indicated at that time that WILLIAM ALEXANDER was believed to be the source of the leak pertaining to OSWALD's diary.

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Mr. BELIN said he is not responsible for the leak of any information to any news media representative and does not know who may be responsible for such action.

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**WILLIAM T. COLEMAN, Jr.**, home address 612 West Hottel Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, Telephone Number VI 8-2304, a member of the law firm of Dilworth, Paxson, Kalish, Kohn and Dilks, 123 South Broad Street, Philadelphia, was interviewed at the headquarters of the President's Commission on the Assassination of President **KENNEDY**, 200 Maryland Avenue, N.E.

Mr. **COLEMAN** stated he has been employed as a Legal Consultant with the President's Commission since approximately January 22, 1964. He said his duties as a Legal Consultant have been primarily restricted to reviewing information regarding activities of **LEE HARVEY OSWALD**. He said his primary interest in **OSWALD**'s activities has been pertaining to those times **OSWALD** was away from the United States. Mr. **COLEMAN** informed that in connection with his duties he has observed the **OSWALD** diary and believes he has reviewed all of the **OSWALD** papers and information pertaining thereto. He said he believes he first observed the **OSWALD** diary a few days after beginning his association with the Commission. **COLEMAN** advised he has had no contact with representatives of any news media in reference to his work with the Commission. He said he has not had the occasion to be in Dallas, Texas, for the purpose of conducting inquiry regarding **OSWALD** or **OSWALD**'s activities. Mr. **COLEMAN** said that in April or May, 1964, he had taken a trip in connection with the inquiry being conducted by the Commission and during this trip he had had an twenty-minute layover in Dallas while he was en route back to Washington, D. C.

Mr. **COLEMAN** said he does not know any reporters for any of the Dallas papers and he has had no contact with any Dallas paper representative. He said he, to the best of his knowledge, is not acquainted with anyone employed by "Life" magazine and has had no contact with "Life" magazine representatives.

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Mr. COLEMAN advised he has no knowledge or information as to how the leak of the OSWALD material could have occurred. He said he has speculated MARINA OSWALD was the possible source of this material; however, he said he had no specific information at all that would indicate such leaks had been occasioned by MARINA OSWALD. Mr. COLEMAN informed his speculation regarding MARINA OSWALD was based primarily on the fact that a copy of LEE HARVEY OSWALD's diary was possibly made available to her; however, he said he did not know if this were the case or not. TEXT

Mr. COLEMAN said he was not responsible for any of the material being leaked to news media representatives and does not know who was responsible for this.

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BURT W. GRIFFIN, residing Continental Hotel, Washington, D. C., permanent residence 18318 Lorond Boulevard, Shaker Heights, Cleveland, Ohio, telephone Skyline 1-0890, upon interview advised he occupies a position of an assistant counsel of the Commission and entered on duty January 13, 1964. GRIFFIN is permanently employed as an attorney with the firm Mc Donald, Hopkins, and Hardy, 1105 East Ohio Building, Cleveland, Ohio, phone 621-3480. He was formerly an Assistant United States Attorney at Cleveland.

GRIFFIN was questioned concerning news items in the June 27 and 28, 1964, issues of the "Dallas Morning News" under byline of HUGH AYNESWORTH pertaining to the diary of LEE HARVEY OSWALD and containing photographs of the page from OSWALD's diary and three documents of OSWALD mentioned hereafter.

GRIFFIN stated he had never seen the diary of OSWALD and that his knowledge concerning the diary was from having read a number of FBI reports and from conversations with J. LEE BANKIN of the Commission, and MARTHA JO STROUD, Assistant United States Attorney at Dallas. GRIFFIN recalled that on the basis of her knowledge and deductions, Mrs. STROUD had suggested to him that WILLIAM F. ALEXANDER, Assistant District Attorney at Dallas, Texas, was a logical suspect for the news leaks mentioned above; however, GRIFFIN recalled nothing specific from his conversations.

GRIFFIN advised he knew nothing about the films made of the personal property of LEE HARVEY OSWALD following his arrest, and he had not seen them. He also advised he had never seen any prints of a letter from the Communist Party, United States of America, to OSWALD, dated July 31, 1963, the Marine discharge of OSWALD, dated August 13, 1960, or an international certificate of vaccination in OSWALD's name under date of June 8, 1963.

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GRIFFIN stated he had made three trips to Dallas for the purpose of taking depositions for the Commission. As he recalled, these trips were from March 23 - 26, 1964, from one Wednesday to Friday in early April or May, 1964, and July 24 - 25, 1964.

GRIFFIN advised he did not know anyone connected with the "Dallas Morning News" and specifically was not acquainted with CARL FREUND, HUGH AYNESWORTH, or PAULA AYNESWORTH. He advised he had never furnished any information or documents from the files of the Commission to any journalist or for the use of any publication or to any other unauthorized person.

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 WESLEY J. <sup>Y</sup>LIEBELER of Newfane, Vermont, presently residing at the Gramercy Hotel in Washington, D. C., who is an attorney on the staff of the President's Commission on the Assassination of President KENNEDY advised as follows concerning leak of information appearing in "The Dallas Morning News", on June 27 and 28, 1964, under the by-line of HUGH AYNESWORTH pertaining to the LEE HARVEY OSWALD diary and related papers:

He does not know HUGH AYNESWORTH or any other reporter or employee associated with "The Dallas Morning News".

He has not furnished anybody outside the Commission with a copy of OSWALD's diary. He has no suspicions of any staff members of the Commission being the source of a leak of the diary to the press.

He cannot estimate the number of copies of the diary which have been reproduced by photographing and typing. It is his opinion that many copies have been made and he is not aware of the administrative procedure with which they have been handled.

<sup>Y</sup>He commented that WILLIAM MC KENZIE, the attorney for MARINA OSWALD, told him that he, MC KENZIE, had never seen a copy of the OSWALD diary and doubts that MARINA OSWALD had seen or known of the diary until it came out in the paper.

Mr. LIEBELER related that on May 28, 1964, he did send a copy of the political writings of OSWALD to Dr. G. THEODORE MITAU, Head of Political Science Department at McAlister College in St. Paul, Minnesota. This was done with the knowledge of Mr. J. LEE RANKIN. Dr. MITAU was Mr. LIEBELER'S professor when the latter attended that college. The material was sent with a view to obtaining Dr. MITAU's analysis of the quality of OSWALD's writings. Mr. LIEBELER was anxious to obtain Dr. MITAU's educated guess as to what OSWALD had on his mind.

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Dr. MITAU contacted Mr. LIEBELER and they discussed the matter and subsequently Dr. MITAU returned OSWALD's political writings to Mr. LIEBELER.

With the exception of the foregoing Mr. LIEBELER said he has not had occasion to send either the diary or any other OSWALD documents outside the Commission.

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Mr. ALBERT E. JENNER, Jr., Senior Staff Attorney, was interviewed in the offices of the President's Commission, 200 Maryland Avenue, N.E. He has been with the Commission since January, 1964. He is concerned with the entire background of LEE HARVEY OSWALD and his family with the exception of periods in foreign countries.

Early in the investigation, around March, 1964, he had occasion to read OSWALD's diary. He made a longhand summary of the diary which was destroyed probably in April, 1964, when his need for it was finished. He is not sure if what he read was the original or a copy. Since his initial reading, he has not used the diary.

Mr. JENNER has been to Dallas, Texas on two or three occasions on Commission business, namely interviewing the Russian Community there. He has never met any representatives of the press or given interviews to them. He felt this was the prerogative of the General Counsel.

Mr. JENNER specifically stated he is not acquainted with HUGH AYNESWORTH or anyone affiliated with the "Dallas Morning News." He also stated he has never furnished any Commission document or information to anyone not entitled to receive it. He knew nothing that would excite his suspicions that any member of the Commission staff may have been the source of the disclosure.

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Mr. ARTHUR MARMOR, Editor and Historian, was interviewed in the offices of the Presidential Commission, 200 Maryland Avenue, N.E., and related that his only contact with the diary of LEE HARVEY OSWALD has been in recent weeks when he had occasion to read a Xerox copy of the diary in the course of sight checking it. He has never seen any of the other exhibits that were acquired by the Dallas Police Department during the period from November 22-23, 1963. He is not acquainted with CARL FREUND or HUGH AYNESWORTH, reporters for the "Dallas Morning News" or anyone else affiliated with this newspaper. He stated that he never made any Commission information available to anyone not entitled to receive it.

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Mr. NORMAN REDLICH, 523 Constitution Avenue, N.E., Apartment Number Four, Washington, D. C., who has permanent residence at 29 Washington Square, New York 11, New York, advised he is Assistant Counsel with the President's Commission on the Assassination of President KENNEDY. He entered on duty with the Commission December 20, 1963. Mr. REDLICH said his duties involve acting as one of the Special Assistants to J. LEE RANKIN, General Counsel to the Commission. Mr. REDLICH said one of his jobs as Special Assistant is to be fully informed on all the phases of the Commission's work. He does not have a specific field of interest in the assassination inquiry.

With regard to the unauthorized publication of the LEE HARVEY OSWALD Diary by the "Dallas Morning News" on June 27 and 28, 1964, Mr. REDLICH advised he personally did not divulge the information relating to the diary to the reporter from the "Dallas Morning News" nor does he know who may have done so. He said he was in Dallas, Texas, on the week end before Memorial Day 1964, during the re-enactment of the assassination. This was his only trip to Dallas. He said he is not acquainted with HUGH AYNESWORTH or CARL FREUND, reporters for the "Dallas Morning News" nor does he know anyone else affiliated with that paper. Mr. REDLICH advised he has no opinion how the newspaper may have been able to obtain information relating to OSWALD's diary.

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Miss ALFREDDA SCOBAY, Attorney, and legal consultant on the staff of the President's Commission on the Assassination of President Kennedy, was interviewed at the office of the Commission on September 17, 1964. Miss SCOBAY advised she represents Senator RICHARD RUSSELL, member of the Commission, and reads material directed for his attention in order that Senator RUSSELL might be kept fully and currently informed of all proceedings. Miss SCOBAY maintains permanent residence at 1283 Cumbrind Road, N. E., Atlanta, Georgia. Miss SCOBAY's legal office address is at the Court of Appeals, State of Georgia, Atlanta, Georgia.

Miss SCOBAY stated she has no knowledge or information pertaining to the identity of any person or persons responsible for "leaking" any information to news media in regard to information obtained by the Commission. Miss SCOBAY indicated this includes the "leak" of information regarding the diary of LEE HARVEY OSWALD as well as other material.

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Mr. W. DAVID SLAWSON, 1838 Connecticut Avenue, N. W., Apartment 404, and 1129 Pearl Street, Apartment 4, Denver, Colorado, advised he is employed as Assistant Counsel with the President's Commission on the Assassination of President Kennedy. He entered on duty with the Commission on January 21, 1964.

With regard to the unauthorized publication of the LEE HARVEY OSWALD diary by "The Dallas Morning News" on June 27 and 28, 1964, Mr. SLAWSON advised he did not personally divulge the contents of the diary to the newspaper publishing it, nor does he know who did. He said he has never been in Dallas, Texas, and has made only one trip in connection with Commission work, that being to Mexico City, Mexico, in April, 1964. Mr. SLAWSON said he is unacquainted with HUGH AYNESWORTH or CARL FREUND, reporters for "The Dallas Morning News." He does not know anyone affiliated with that newspaper nor, so far as he knows, anyone in the city of Dallas, Texas.

Mr. SLAWSON said with regard to this matter relating to the OSWALD diary that he feels quite strongly this was a serious compromise of the security of the Commission's documents. He explained his job on the Commission has been to concentrate in foreign matters, specifically Cuba and Russia. He said he feels personally that some individuals in the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics (USSR) will probably be imprisoned in Russia as the result of disclosures appearing in the newspaper and "Life" magazine. He said "Life" magazine disguised the names of the Russians who alerted OSWALD to the hazards of living indefinitely in Russia, but he feels certain the Committee for State Security (KGB) in Russia will be able to identify the persons involved. He exhibited a copy of his memorandum to the General Counsel of the Commission dated September 6, 1964, stating that the disclosure of the contents of the diary had endangered the lives of some Russian individuals. The

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memo stated he recommended prior to the public disclosure of the diary contents that the diary be censored to remove the identity of Russians who had confided their true opinions of Russia to OSWALD. However, according to his memorandum, it was recommended the diary be made an exhibit of the Commission report in its entirety in view of the damage already done by unauthorized publication mentioned above. Mr. SLANSON stated he has no idea how the contents of OSWALD's diary and other miscellaneous items discovered in a search of OSWALD's residences may have come into the possession of the Dallas newspaper.

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**SAMUEL A. STERN**, 3110 Newark Street, N. W., Washington, D. C., a member of the staff of the President's Commission on the Assassination of President KENNEDY, advised as follows concerning the leak of information appearing in "The Dallas Morning News," on June 27 and 28, 1964, under the by-line of HUGH AYNESWORTH pertaining to the LEE HARVEY OSWALD diary and related papers:

He made only one trip to Dallas, Texas, during April or May, 1964, for approximately four days duration. This trip was for the purpose of taking depositions in connection with the area of his assignment which was concerned with the adequacy of Presidential protection. While he was in Dallas he had no contact with the press. He does not know HUGH AYNESWORTH of "The Dallas Morning News" or any other reporter or employee of this newspaper.

He never saw the original OSWALD diary. He did see what he believes was a Xerox reproduction of the original diary. He never had occasion to use the diary and considered it of no concern to him in his area of interest. He understands that copies were probably given to other staff members and that these copies were numbered and controlled.

He never furnished any information concerning the diary or related papers to anyone outside the Commission.

He recalled that shortly after reporting for duty with the Commission staff about January 14, 1964, that the entire staff had been impressed with the confidential nature of their endeavors by Mr. RANKIN. Subsequently, Chief Justice WARREN, at a special staff meeting reiterated the necessity for maintaining tight security.

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