

- 1 - Mr. D. J. Dalbey
- 1 - Mr. H. A. Schutz
- 1 - Mr. L. Whitson

Assistant Attorney General
Office of Legal Council

July 29, 1971

Director, FBI

185-82555 - UNREC.

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT -
APPEAL OF PAUL L. MCCOY

OP3

Reference is made to the letter of Thomas W. Harper, Acting Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legal Council, dated July 19, 1971.

Referenced letter contained an inquiry as to whether any material had been deleted from pages 400 and 426 of the Warren Commission Document 75 which have been published as pages 400 and 426 of Commission Exhibit 1141. No material was deleted from these pages prior to their publication by the Commission.

Enclosed are two copies each of the aforementioned pages as they appear in our files. The markings (asterisks, underlinings and marginal notations) which appear on the copies herewith are administrative markings which were added to these pages at FBI headquarters subsequent to the preparation of the originals.

It may be noted that pages 400 and 426 of Commission Document 75 were not recommended for release in our October 1, 1970, memorandum entitled "Five-Year Review of Warren Commission Files," which was enclosed with our letter bearing the same title and date, because those pages contain the identity of sources of information the disclosure of which could limit the use of them or similar sources in the future to the detriment of the administration and enforcement of laws of the United States. Accordingly, it was felt that these pages should not be released in accordance with the guidelines 2 (A) and 3 (D) approved by the Honorable McGeorge Bundy, then Special Assistant to the President, on April 19, 1965.

However, inasmuch as these pages have in fact been released by the Commission, this position regarding the aforementioned pages is no longer pertinent.

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Office of Legal Counsel

Item 1, B, in the referenced letter requested a copy of page 2 of Commission Document 653. A copy of page 2 of Commission Document 653, the report of SA Dennis W. Shannon regarding Leo Harvey Oswald, dated March 13, 1964, at Chicago, Illinois, is enclosed.

Release of this page has not been recommended in the past and is not now recommended because guideline 3 (2), mentioned above, specifically relates to pages such as this. This page contains information from confidential records of the Chicago Office, Chicago, Illinois, which is to be produced only upon issuance of subpoena duces tecum.

Item 2 in the referenced letter states that Mr. Hech in his appeal specifically asks about a record of a possible contact initiated by Carlos Quiroga with the FBI on August 13, 1963, concerning a banishment of Communist Party members by Oswald on that day. Inquiry was made as to whether such a record exists. Files of our headquarters contain no indication that any such record exists or that any such contact took place. However, in order to pursue this point further, we have requested our New Orleans Office to advise whether it has any records of any such contact. The results of that inquiry will be furnished to you when received.

Item 3 in the referenced letter notes that our letter of January 4, 1971, to the Deputy Attorney General stated that the FBI has no record of any interview with Edward S. Butler other than that appearing on page 13 of Commission Document 201. A further search has been made of our records for a document containing the results of any other interview with Edward Seanell Butler relating to Oswald, the assassination, or related matters. That review confirms our previous statement that there are no other reports of such interviews of Mr. Butler. There is no information to support Mr. Hech's speculation that the December 13, 1963, interview of Mr. Butler was a "supplemental interview." As indicated in our January 4, 1971, letter, details concerning Mr. Butler's contact with Oswald on August 22, 1963, at station 1700 in New Orleans, Louisiana, are available in Commission Document 647, pages 520-522, and in the supplemental volumes of the Commission hearings. It is noted that in Commission Document 201,

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Office of Legal Counsel

which Mr. Hoch has, Mr. Dutler is reported as saying that the August 21, 1963, contact with Oswald was the only one he had.

It remains our view, as previously stated, that the final decision as to public disclosure of material such as that discussed herein rests with the Department of Justice. Our views with regard to possible handling of requests from Mr. Hoch were set out in our letters to the Deputy Attorney General dated July 1, 1970, and January 4, 1971. Except for the fact that the release of pages 400 and 426 of Commission Document 75 is no longer at issue, these views still pertain.

Enclosures - 5

NOTE:

Paul L. Hoch, Berkeley, California, "graduate student" has been making inquiries about the assassination of President Kennedy over the past five years. On 9/19/69 he wrote to the Attorney General alleging "some sort of relationship" between Lee Harvey Oswald and the FBI. The Director has noted "I dislike the humoring of a character like Hoch who is obviously a 'smear' artist." Under the Freedom of Information Act, Hoch has requested, among many others, the documents mentioned above. Referenced letter states that Hoch is appealing the Deputy Attorney General's 5/7/71 denial of Hoch's 12/9/70 request for various documents. Referenced letter requested certain additional information and copies of documents in order to dispose of Mr. Hoch's appeal. Regardless of the fact that Seat of Government files contain no information to substantiate supposition that there may have been an interview of Carlos Quiroga on 8/16/63, in view of Hoch's persistence it is deemed advisable to ask New Orleans to check its files on this point so we may mail it down securely. Inquiry being made of New Orleans by separate airtel. Department also asked for any comments we might wish to make on the disposition of this appeal. This letter refers Department to our previous position that ultimate decision as to public disclosure rests with the Department of Justice and refers to prior letters in which we comment on Hoch's inquiries regarding Quiroga and Dutler. Copies of the

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Office of Legal Counsel

NOTE CONTAINED:

three documents enclosed are from Bureau file 105-32555-454,
pages 400 and 426 and 105-32555-2557, page 2.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, DALLAS

SUBJECT: FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT -
APPEAL OF PAUL L. HOCH
Bufile 62-81830

ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT
JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY,
11/22/63
DALLAS, TEXAS
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING
Dallas file 89-43 (P*)
Bufile 62-109050
New Orleans file 89-89

LEE HARVEY OSWALD, aka (Deceased)
IS - R - CUBA
Dallas file 100-10461 (C)
Bufile 105-82555
New Orleans file 100-16601

Re Bureau airtel to New Orleans and Dallas
7/28/71 bearing first of the above three captions.

New Orleans teletype to Bureau and Dallas
11/28/63 bearing second caption set forth above, set
forth the results of interview with CARLOS QUIROGA which
information he furnished on a strictly confidential basis
inasmuch as his father was imprisoned in Cuba and his
mother was still living there.

- ① - Bureau
- 2 - New Orleans (1 - 89-89) (Info)
(1 - 100-16601)
- 2 - Dallas (1 - 89-43)
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By New Orleans airtel to Dallas dated 11/30/63 bearing second caption above, the New Orleans Office forwarded 25 copies of numerous inserts and FD-302s, one of which was an insert containing the interview with CARLOS QUIROGA set forth in the above referenced New Orleans teletype. This insert was included in the report of SA WARREN C. DE BRUEYS dated 12/2/63 at Dallas under the third captioned case.

The basis for Dallas documenting QUIROGA as a source who had furnished reliable information in the past was apparently the fact that New Orleans in its airtel had not indicated QUIROGA was known to be anything other than reliable and the fact that SA WARREN C. DE BRUEYS, the author of the report was then assigned to the New Orleans Division and on special assignment at Dallas.

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January 7, 1972

Assistant Attorney General
Office of Legal Counsel

Director, FBI

- 1 - D. J. Dalbey
- 1 - H. A. Schutz
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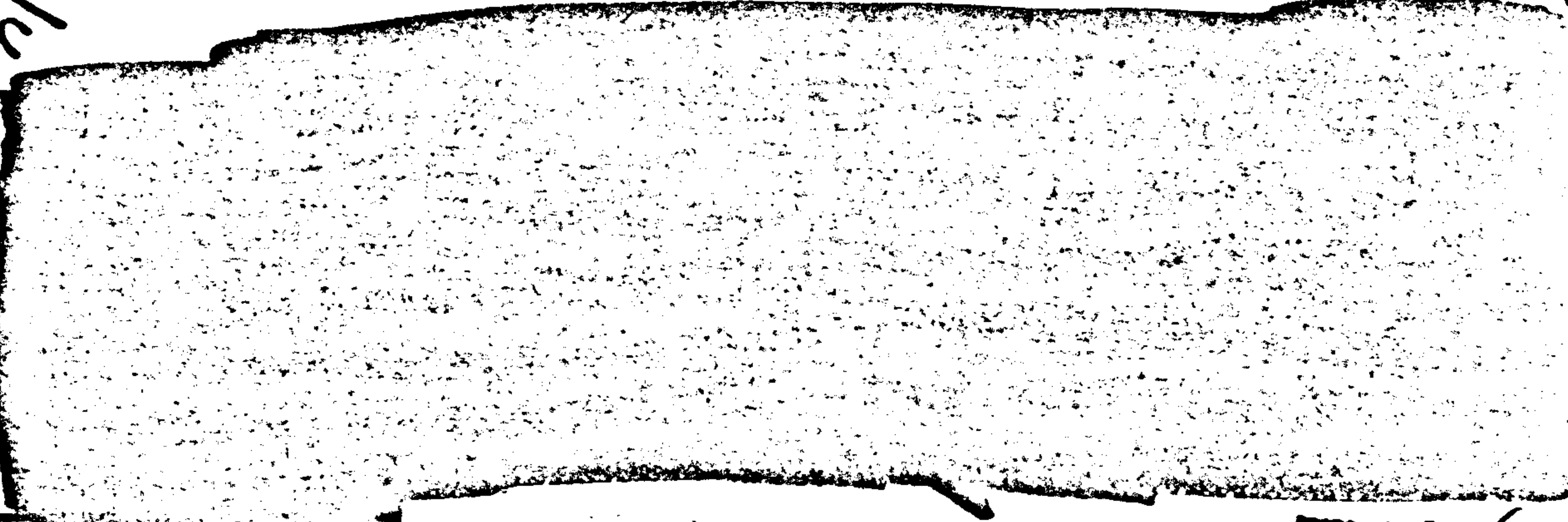
FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT -
APPEAL OF PAUL L. HOCH

Reference is made to the letter from this Bureau dated December 27, 1971, and to the letter of Mr. Ralph E. Erickson, Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legal Counsel, dated December 14, 1971 regarding a request by Paul L. Hoch for access to documents allegedly relating to the assassination of President John F. Kennedy. *u*

Mr. Erickson requested copies of the items designated Qc 37 and Qc 33 listed in Warren Commission Document 7 at page 323. A copy of each of these items is attached. *u*

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You will note that these items relate to an investigative period in June, 1963, prior to Oswald's departure from New Orleans and several months before the assassination of President John F. Kennedy. *u*

- Mr. Tolson
- Mr. Felt
- Mr. Rosen
- Mr. Mohr
- Mr. Bishop
- Mr. Miller, E.S.
- Mr. Callahan
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- Mr. Conrad
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Office of Legal Counsel

Arnold Johnson Exhibit 1, which appears on pages 7 and 253 of Volume XX, is the same letter referred to in Qc 38. However, the Johnson exhibit contains notations in handwriting other than that of Oswald which do not appear in Qc 33.

Enclosures (2)

NOTE:

Mr. John F. Simmons, National Archives, advised the Bureau on 5/27/71 that he had no record of the photographs Qc 37 and Qc 38. Hoch has previously demanded these items and is now appealing a refusal of the Attorney General to release them to him. 4

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Memorandum

TO : Honorable J. Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

DATE: *Feb 17 1972*

FROM : Richard G. Kleindienst
Acting Attorney General *RGK*

SUBJECT: Request for Access to FBI Records - Congressman Richard
H. Ichord (D-Mo.)

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The attached request for access to FBI records is self-explanatory.

Would you please give me your comments regarding the Congressman's request.

Thank you.

Lee Harvey Oswald

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March 21, 1972

Honorable Richard G. Kleindienst
Acting Attorney General
Department of Justice
Washington, D. C. 20530

Dear Mr. Kleindienst:

Enclosed are copies of a letter dated March 16, 1972, that we have received from the Chairman of the Committee on Internal Security of the House of Representatives and of our reply. Mr. Mark G. Eckhoff or Mr. Marion M. Johnson (code 13, ext. 23171) can furnish any additional information that may be needed.

Sincerely,

JAMES B. RHOADS
Archivist of the United States

Enclosure

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GENERAL CRIME SEC.

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March 22, 1972

Honorable Richard H. Ichord
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C. 20515

Dear Mr. Ichord:

This is in reply to your letter of March 16, 1972, requesting copies of certain documents among the records of the President's Commission on the Assassination of President Kennedy.

Enclosed are copies of Commission Documents 78 and 872, which have been made available for research by the Department of Justice. The remaining documents listed in your letter are withheld from research at the request of the agencies that originated them, and the majority of them bear security classifications.

We have, therefore, referred copies of your letter to the Department of State, the Department of Justice, and the Central Intelligence Agency. We shall inform you as soon as we hear from those agencies.

Sincerely,

James E. O'Neill

JAMES E. O'NEILL
Acting Archivist
of the United States

Enclosures

cc: Honorable Richard G. Kleindienst,
Department of Justice

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 HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
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March 16, 1972

Mr. James B. Rhoades
 Archivist of the United States
 National Archives
 Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Rhoades:

If at all possible, as Chairman of the House Committee on Internal Security, I would like to obtain one copy each of the documents listed below:

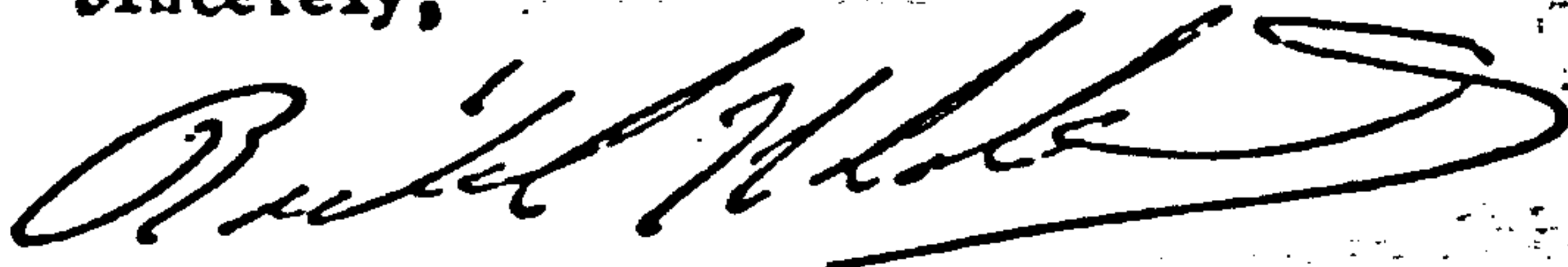
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384	CIA	Oswald in Mexico	Mexico
442	State Dept.	Telegrams from U.S. Embassy	Mexico
451	FBI	Interview with Yuri Nosenko	?
CD 872	FBI	Oswald - Mexico	Mexico
880	FBI	Safety Deposit Boxes	Texas
910	FBI	Oswald in Mexico	Mexico
1012	CIA	De Mohrenschildt	?
1287	CIA	Oswald in Mexico	?
1545	CIA	Oswald in Mexico	?

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Mr. James B. Rhoades
March 16, 1972
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I realize that some of these documents are still classified and I would hope that you would have them hand delivered in a sealed envelope to my office to my personal attention.

Sincerely,



Richard H. Ichord
Chairman

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- 1 - Mr. A. Rosen
- 1 - Mr. E. S. Miller
- 1 - Mr. W. A. Branigan

The Acting Attorney General

April 5, 1972

- 1 - Mr. L. Whitson

EX-106 Director, FBI

REQUEST FOR ACCESS TO FBI RECORDS - CONGRESSMAN RICHARD H. ICHORD (DEMOCRAT - MISSOURI)

Reference is made to your communication of March 30, 1972, regarding a request made by Congressman Richard H. Ichord, Chairman of the House Committee on Internal Security, for copies of certain documents furnished by the Federal Bureau of Investigation to the President's Commission on the Assassination of President John F. Kennedy.

Research is being conducted regarding the specific documents requested and other documents to which they make reference. As soon as all pertinent items have been reviewed, this Bureau will be able to reply in detail to your communication.

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NOTE:

On March 16, 1972, Congressman Ichord requested 11 Warren Commission documents from National Archives. Five of these originated with the FBI, one with State and five with CIA. Two of the Bureau documents had been made available by the Department for research and copies were furnished to Congressman Ichord by Archives. On March 21 the Archivist of the U.S. referred the request for the other three FBI documents to The Acting Attorney General. The three documents which have been withheld from public scrutiny under departmental guidelines make reference to other documents and research is being conducted to determine how much of a "Pandora's box" will be opened by release of these particular documents.

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1 - Mr. Branigan
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
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TO LEGAT, MEXICO

FROM DIRECTOR, FBI (105-82555)

LEE HARVEY OSWALD, IS - R - CUBA.

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REURCABS THREE EIGHT NINE, THREE NINE ZERO, AND THREE NINE TWO, DATED FEBRUARY NINETEEN AND TWENTY, NINETEEN SIXTY FOUR RE INVESTIGATION OF ALLEGATIONS OF PEDRO GUTIERREZ VALENCIA. BERNARD FENSTERWALD, WASHINGTON, D.C., ATTORNEY HAS REQUESTED COPIES OF PHOTOS OF UNIDENTIFIED WHITE MALE WHICH WERE SHOWN GUTIERREZ. REQUEST MADE UNDER FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT.

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APPEARING IN PHOTOS HAD NOT BEEN IDENTIFIED AT TIME OF WARREN COMMISSION HEARINGS.

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NOTE:

See memorandum W. A. Branigan to Mr. E. S. Miller, dated 4/28/72, captioned as above, prepared by LW:bkr.

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Memorandum

- 1 - Mr. A. [redacted]
- 1 - Mr. D. [redacted] Dalbey
- 1 - Mr. C. W. Bates

DATE: 4/28/72

- 1 - Mr. E. S. Miller
- 1 - Mr. W. A. Branigan
- 1 - Mr. L. Whitson

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TO : Mr. E. S. Miller

FROM : W. A. Branigan

SUBJECT: LEE HARVEY OSWALD
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On April 20, 1972, Acting Attorney General forwarded to Bureau for preparation of reply, a request by Bernard Fensterwald, Washington, D.C., attorney, under Freedom of Information Act, for three photos of an unidentified white male mentioned in Warren Commission Document 566, which has been made public.

Three photos with backgrounds cropped out had been displayed to one Pedro Gutierrez Valencia in Mexico. Gutierrez had alleged he had seen Lee Harvey Oswald and a Cuban leaving Cuban Embassy in Mexico, on October 1, 1963. Gutierrez could not identify man in photos.



[redacted] the man in dark shirt with background cropped out was shown during investigation to Oswald's mother, Marguerite, who mistakenly thought photo was of Jack Ruby, who had killed her son. Photo shown to her is Commission Exhibit 237 and is available to public. One of photos shown Gutierrez may be identical with Exhibit.

Fensterwald, no friend of Bureau, is head of "Committee to Investigate Assassinations," a group apparently believing that murders of the Kennedy brothers and Martin Luther King, Jr. were conspiracies. While we owe Fensterwald nothing, he has made his request under Freedom of Information Act, and we must make certain we do not give him any legal advantage and still comply with law.

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Memorandum to Mr. E. S. Miller
Re: Lee Harvey Oswald
105-82555

Fensterwald, formerly Chief Counsel of the Senate Subcommittee on Administrative Practice and Procedures, became head of the Committee to Investigate Assassinations in 1969. This is a private group consisting of Jim Garrison, New Orleans District Attorney, former Special Agent William Turner and persons of that ilk. In July, 1971, a civil action by the Committee to Investigate Assassinations seeking disclosure of the FBI file on the assassination of Robert F. Kennedy was dismissed in U. S. District Court for the District of Columbia. In August, 1971, Dallas office of FBI was instructed that under no circumstances should Agents discuss any Bureau work with members of the Committee to Investigate Assassinations.

ACTION:

1. Attached is cable to Legat, Mexico, requesting copies of photos shown to Gutierrez for comparison with Warren Commission Exhibit, [REDACTED]

2. Attached is letter to Acting Attorney General advising him of referral to Legat, Mexico, and possibility that one of the photographs may be a Commission Exhibit.

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Memorandum

TO : Honorable J. Edgar Hoover
Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

DATE: April 20, 1972

FROM : Richard G. Kleindienst
Acting Attorney General

112-905-112
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SUBJECT: Freedom of Information Request - Bernard Fensterwald

- Mr. Tolson
- Mr. Felt
- Mr. Mohr
- Mr. Bishop
- Mr. Miller
- Mr. Callahan
- Mr. Casper
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The attached request for access to Department records is self-explanatory.

Would you please have the request reviewed and a response prepared for my signature.

Thank you.

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Le. Larry Oswald

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BERNARD FENSTERWALD, JR.
WILLIAM G. OHLHAUSEN
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NEW YORK ASSOCIATES
EASS & ULLMAN
342 MADISON AVENUE
NEW YORK, N. Y. 10017

March 22, 1972

Hon. Richard Kleindienst
Acting Attorney General
Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Kleindienst:

Warren Commission Document No. 566, an FBI Report, dated Feb. 24, 1964, was declassified and made available to the public on Jan. 24, 1971. Pages 3 and 4 thereof make reference to three photographs of an unidentified individual, described as a "possible ... suspect," which were shown to a Mexican national in the course of the FBI's investigation of Lee Harvey Oswald in Mexico.

As an American citizen desiring to resolve certain unanswered questions about the assassination of President Kennedy, I should like to obtain copies of these three referenced photographs, which were shown to a Mexican citizen, for my own examination and use. I shall be happy to pay the costs of reproduction.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. §552, I enclose a completed copy of Form D.J. 118 and the fee of \$3.00 per departmental regulation 28 C.F.R. 16.

Respectfully yours,

Bernard Fensterwald, Jr.
Bernard Fensterwald, Jr.

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MAR 24 1972 CMA

DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL

REQUEST FOR ACCESS TO OFFICIAL RECORD
UNDER 5 U.S.C. 552(a) and 28 CFR PART 16

See instructions for payment and delivery of this form at bottom of page

NAME OF REQUESTER Bernard Fensterwald, Jr.	ADDRESS (street, city, state and zip code) 905 16th St., N.W., Washington, D.C. 20006
DATE Mar. 22, 1972	

DO YOU WISH TO RECEIVE COPIES? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO IF YES, SO INDICATE (no more than 10 copies of any document will be furnished)	NUMBER OF COPIES REQUESTED 3 copies Of 3 diff. photos	OFFICE AND CITY WHERE RECORD IS LOCATED (if known) Washington, D.C.
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DESCRIPTION OF RECORD REQUESTED (include any information which may be helpful in locating records)

Three photographs of an "unidentified individual" referred to on pages 3 and 4 of an FBI Report of February 24, 1964, which was Warren Commission Document 566, which was declassified on January 24, 1971. (See Copy attached.)

LITIGATION: DOES THIS REQUEST RELATE TO A MATTER IN PENDING OR PROSPECTIVE LITIGATION? YES NO

FILL IN IF PENDING LITIGATION	COURT (check one) <input type="checkbox"/> FEDERAL <input type="checkbox"/> STATE	DISTRICT	NAME OF CASE	DOCKET NUMBER
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Bernard Fensterwald, Jr.
SIGNATURE

FOR USE BY DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE ONLY | A MINIMUM FEE OF \$3.00 MUST ACCOMPANY THIS REQUEST. OTHER CHARGES ARE AS FOLLOWS. (do not write in this box)

FENSTERWALD AND OHLHAUSEN, ATTORNEYS Req. for copies of photographs (Warren Commission Doc. 566) **1401**

DATE **March 22, 1972** **153**
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Treasurer of the United States **\$3.00**

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Payment under this section shall be made in cash, or by United States money order or by check payable to the Treasurer of the United States. Postage stamps will not be accepted.

This form may be delivered to any of the offices listed in 28 C. F. R. 16.2 or mailed to:
Office of the Deputy Attorney General, Department of Justice, Washington, D. C. 20530

MAY 10, 1972



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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February 24, 1964

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

JOE HARVEY OSWALD

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A confidential source abroad has advised as follows:

On February 17, 1964, a second confidential source
abroad, who has furnished reliable information in the past,
advised that the records of the Identification Division of
the Metropolitan Police of the Federal District, Mexico,
D. F., revealed that one PEDRO GUTIERREZ VALENCIA had a
driver's license issued to him in 1938 and again in 1942.

According to this source, the records of this police
agency further revealed that an individual by this same name
was fingerprinted in 1957 in connection with a request to
carry a firearm.

On February 20, 1964, this second confidential source
abroad advised that he had had the thumb print of PEDRO
GUTIERREZ VALENCIA, which had been affixed to this individual's
letter dated December 2, 1963, directed to President LYNDON
JOHNSON, searched against the fingerprint files of the Identifi-
cation Division of the Metropolitan Police of the Federal
District, Mexico, D. F. This source stated that a fingerprint
expert of that police agency had identified the thumb print of
GUTIERREZ as being a print of the right thumb of this indivi-
dual, whose fingerprints are on file at the afore-mentioned
police Identification Division.

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This second confidential source abroad further advised on February 20, 1954, that the fingerprint records of the Metropolitan Police of the Federal District disclosed that fingerprints of GUTIERREZ VALENCIA were taken on June 1, 1938, in connection with the issuance of a driver's license; were taken on February 27, 1942, in connection with the renewal of a driver's license; were taken again on August 16, 1951, in connection with the issuance of a police good conduct certificate in connection with the issuance of a chauffeur's license to GUTIERREZ, and fingerprints of this individual were taken on October 25, 1957, in connection with a police good conduct certificate issued to GUTIERREZ in connection with a permit allowing him to carry and possess a sporting firearm.

The above source stated that the right thumb print of GUTIERREZ VALENCIA which had appeared on his letter to President JOHNSON, as indicated above, was positively identified by a fingerprint expert of the afore-mentioned Mexico City police agency with the various fingerprint cards on file with that agency, as described above.

This second source also stated that the police files at Mexico City do not contain any information of a derogatory nature concerning GUTIERREZ.

On February 20, 1954, a third confidential source abroad, who has furnished reliable information in the past, reported that the following investigation was conducted at Mexico, D. F., concerning the credit investigator, PEDRO GUTIERREZ VALENCIA, a resident of Calle Florida #9, Colonia Napoles, Mexico, D. F.:

It was noted by the source that the building at the above address is a four-story apartment building, the ground floor of which is occupied by various small commercial establishments and a restaurant known as the "Valencia." The caretaker of the building, Mrs. GUADALUPE ALVAREZ, and Mrs. MERCEDES OROCIO, who resides with ALVAREZ, advised the source that PEDRO GUTIERREZ resides in Apartment #12 at that address with his wife and that GUTIERREZ has no sons or daughters.

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... with him. These individuals described GUTIERREZ and his wife as honorable individuals of good conduct and reputation.

Mrs. ALVAREZ and Mrs. GROSIO stated they have known GUTIERREZ and his wife as neighbors in the building for a period of 12 years.

These two neighbors further stated, according to the above source, that GUTIERREZ is a man who is truthful in what he says and worthy of trust. They described him as a person of moderate financial means who is employed as an investigator for a Mexico City commercial establishment, and these neighbors said that GUTIERREZ always pays his rent very promptly.

These neighbors further informed this third confidential source that GUTIERREZ has never been known to have had any problems with law enforcement authorities in the community. They also stated that he has never caused any scandal in the neighborhood and that they have never known him to have had any problems with law enforcement authorities in the community.

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This third source also reported that he had learned from a person in the "Valencia" apartment building at Calle Florida #9, that PEDRO GUTIERREZ is generally regarded in the neighborhood as a person of good reputation and wholesome habits.

On July 20, 1954, PEDRO GUTIERREZ VALLENCIA, a Mexico City department store credit investigator who resides at Calle Florida #9, Colonia Napoles, Mexico, D. F., advised as follows:

He examined three photographs of an unidentified possible white male American suspect, which depicted this

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individual in the following poses:

1. Attired in a white shirt and tan trousers, holding what appears to be a courier-type pouch under his left arm and examining a wallet-type folder which it appears may contain one or two documents resembling passports.
2. Attired in the same dress described above and holding the wallet-type folder in his left hand and inserting this folder into the courier-type pouch held in his right hand.
3. Attired in a dark shirt with white collar buttons and apparently walking along with the thumb of his left hand hooked into the top of his left-hand trouser pocket.

GUTIERREZ stated on February 20, 1964, that he has, however, to his knowledge, seen the individual depicted in these three photographs and that this individual is definitely not identical with either the American or the Cuban he claims to have seen on October 1, 1963, exiting the premises of the Cuban Embassy at Mexico, D. F. GUTIERREZ has previously stated that he believes the American observed by him with the Cuban on October 1, 1963, as mentioned above, was LEE HARVEY OSWALD and he based his identification on newspaper photographs of OSWALD observed by him in Mexico City newspapers also in the months after the occurrence described above.

GUTIERREZ, on February 20, 1964, also examined 20 photographs of possible white male Americans who had been in Mexico City during September and October 1963, any one of which could have been the American seen by him at the Cuban Embassy. He studied these photographs carefully and stated that, in his opinion, none of these photographs is identical with the American previously identified by him as OSWALD who he claims was observed by him on October 1, 1963, at the Cuban Embassy.

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Embassy in Mexico, D. F.

GUTIERREZ was again shown a photograph of LEE HARVEY OSWALD which had appeared in "Life" magazine and which depicts OSWALD passing out pro-Cuban literature on a street in New Orleans, Louisiana. It is to be noted that this is a profile photograph of OSWALD showing his right arm extended and depicts his torso from the waist up.

GUTIERREZ, on February 20, 1964, stated that the "Life" magazine photograph of OSWALD does not appear familiar to him and that he cannot say that this photograph in any way resembles the American seen by him in the company of a Cuban exiting the premises of the Cuban Embassy in Mexico, D. F., on October 1, 1963. GUTIERREZ was told that this photograph is a photograph of LEE HARVEY OSWALD and he thereupon stated that during his brief encounter with the American and the Cuban on October 1, 1963, he at no time observed the profile view of either the American or the Cuban. He explained that when the Cuban bumped into him in the patio of the Cuban Embassy (the details of which he has previously reported), he had only a brief opportunity to observe these persons from a front view and thereafter he walked behind these individuals and could only observe their backs.

GUTIERREZ agreed that a mistaken identification from newspaper photographs of OSWALD which he saw almost two months later would be very possible. He pointed out, however, that he does not believe he is mistaken in his identification of OSWALD because the image of the American he observed during the occurrence at the Cuban Embassy in Mexico City on October 1, 1963, became firmly fixed in his mind because of the importance he attached to his observance that the Cuban and the American were arguing heatedly and that the Cuban passed some United States currency to the American after these individuals had exited the Cuban Embassy premises and were walking along the sidewalk toward the Cuban's vehicle.

GUTIERREZ stated he is certain that the Cuban's vehicle, described by him as a beige colored late model Dina Renault, was the property of the Cuban because he saw the

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- 1 - A. Rosen
- 1 - C. J. Dalbey
- 1 - Mr. C. W. Bates
- 1 - Mr. E. S. Miller
- 1 - Mr. W. A. Branigan

May 1, 1972

The Acting Attorney General

Director, FBI

- 1 - Mr. L. Whitson

**FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST -
BERNARD FENSTERWALD**

Your communication of April 20, 1972, asked for preparation of a reply to a request by Bernard Fensterwald for copies of certain photographs mentioned in Warren Commission Document 566.

The photographs mentioned were displayed to one Pedro Gutierrez Valencia in Mexico. The photographs were not identified by Pedro Gutierrez Valencia, and were not introduced into the Commission record in connection with the allegation by Gutierrez that he had seen Lee Harvey Oswald and a Cuban leaving the Cuban Embassy in Mexico on October 1, 1963.

We have asked our Legal Attache in Mexico to forward to Bureau headquarters the photographs shown to Gutierrez and attempt to determine if they can be made public.

There is a possibility that one of the photographs shown to Gutierrez is Commission Exhibit 237 and is available to the public.

You will be informed of developments.

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See memorandum W. A. Branigan to Mr. E. S. Miller, dated 4/28/72, captioned "Lee Harvey Oswald, IS - R - CUBA," prepared by LW:bkr.

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Memorandum

TO : Mr. Bishop

DATE: 4-28-72

FROM : M. A. Jones

SUBJECT: LEE HARVEY OSWALD
INTERNAL SECURITY - RUSSIA - CUBA
REQUEST FOR ACCESS TO FBI RECORDS -
CONGRESSMAN RICHARD H. ICHORD (D-MO.)

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Reference memorandum of 4-10-72 from Mr. Branigan to Mr. Miller wherein it was recommended and approved that contact be made with Congressman Richard Ichord (D-Mo.) or appropriate members of his staff to determine his need for three specific documents relating to Bureau sources and operations which the Congressman had requested from Archives along with a number of other documents from the President's Commission on the Assassination of President John F. Kennedy.

This matter was first discussed by Inspector Bowers with Donald Sanders, Chief Counsel of the House Committee on Internal Security which Congressman Ichord is Chairman, on 4-12-72. Sanders, a former Special Agent with whom we enjoy an excellent relationship, advised he was aware of Congressman Ichord's request for certain Warren Commission documents from the Archives, although he had not handled this matter. He stated the request had been handled by William Hecht, a new Assistant in the Congressman's office. Sanders said he understands the request was made for an individual whose name he believed to be Fensterwald. Sanders was asked if this might be Benard Fensterwald, former Chief Counsel of the Senate Subcommittee on Administrative Practices and Procedures when it was chaired by Senator Edward Long (D-Mo.) and who is now head of an organization he founded known as the National Committee to Investigate Assassinations. Sanders stated he was not sure but added this would appear to be a reasonable assumption. Sanders was briefly advised of Fensterwald's [redacted] background and the fact that his National Committee to Investigate Assassinations includes other [redacted] individuals such as Jim Garrison, New Orleans District Attorney; William Turner, former FBI Agent; and Fred J. Cook, [redacted] writer and severe critic of the FBI. Sanders expressed concern that Congressman Ichord might have inadvertently become involved with such a crowd.

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- 1 - Mr. Mohr
- 1 - Mr. Rosen
- 1 - Mr. Bishop
- 1 - Mr. Miller

- 1 - Mr. Branigan
- 1 - Mr. M. A. Jones
- 1 - Mr. Bowers

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M. A. Jones to Bishop Memo
RE: LEE HARVEY OSWALD

On 4-13-72 Bowers called at the office of Congressman Ichord to speak with his Assistant, William Hecht, concerning this matter. Moments after Bowers arrived in the office Benard Fensterwald entered and conversation with the receptionist indicated he had an appointment with Hecht and also hoped to see the Congressman. Fensterwald did not recognize Bowers although they had several contacts while Fensterwald was employed by the Senate Subcommittee.

The matter of the Congressman's request for the Warren Commission documents was discussed with Hecht on 4-13-72 and he implied the Congressman wanted these documents in connection with his position as Chairman of the House Committee on Internal Security. He asked if it might be possible for him to review the classified documents and furnish the Congressman a summary to relieve the Congressman of the time-consuming task of having to personally review lengthy documents. Hecht was advised that under the circumstances it was felt the matter should be discussed personally with Congressman Ichord. Hecht stated that while the Congressman was then in the office he had a full schedule for the afternoon and indicated he would set an appointment for Bowers to discuss this matter with the Congressman in the near future.

Since that time, Hecht has been contacted on several occasions concerning the need for an appointment to resolve this matter with the Congressman, and Hecht has indicated he has been unable to arrange for an appointment. On 4-26-72 Sanders advised he had discussed this matter briefly with Congressman Ichord and told him of Bowers' desire to see him as soon as possible to get the matter resolved. Sanders stated the Congressman remarked that he also has pending a request from CIA for an appointment on the same matter and indicated he would discuss the matter with Hecht to arrange appointments in the near future. No further word has been heard from Hecht regarding an appointment.

Our relations with Congressman Ichord are excellent. It seems apparent he has been brought into this matter by his Assistant, Hecht, and that the documents really are wanted for Fensterwald who has publicly stated that the purpose of his National Committee to Investigate Assassinations is "to embarrass or force the Government to make investigations they have been putting off since November 22, 1963." Undoubtedly, Congressman Ichord is not aware of Fensterwald's background or of the identities of others affiliated with him in the National Committee to Investigate Assassinations. He will be briefed in confidence concerning these individuals when an appointment is arranged with him regarding this matter.

RECOMMENDATION:

For information.

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1 - Mr. L. Whitson

FROM ACTING DIRECTOR, FBI (105-82555)

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VALENCIA BE FORWARDED BUREAU AND INSTRUCTING

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE TO OBTAIN COPIES OF PHOTOS.

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LEE HARVEY OSWALD, INTERNAL SECURITY - R - CUBA.

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FORWARD CROPPED PHOTOS DISPLAYED TO PEDRO GUTIERREZ VALENCIA.

THESE ARE FOR TRANSMITTAL TO DEPARTMENT, WHICH WILL MAKE FINAL DETERMINATION REGARDING REPLY TO COMPLAINT FILED BY BERNARD FENSTERWALD UNDER FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT.

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NOTE:

Three of these photos, with background cropped out, were displayed to Gutierrez Valencia in Mexico during investigation of his allegation that he had seen Oswald on the premises of the Cuban Embassy in Mexico. Gutierrez Valencia stated the photos were not of the man he saw. The man in the photos had not been identified at the time of the Warren Commission report, and appears to have no pertinence, whatsoever, to the investigation. The photos shown Gutierrez Valencia were never made a part of the commission record.

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TO : Mr. Bishop *MB*

DATE: May 8, 1972

FROM : M. A. Jones *MAJ*

SUBJECT: LEE HARVEY OSWALD
 INTERNAL SECURITY - RUSSIA - CUBA
 Request For Access To FBI Records -
 Congressman Richard H. Ichord
 (Democrat - Missouri)

See...

Reference memorandum of 4-10-72 from Mr. Branigan to Mr. Miller and my memorandum to you of 4-28-72 concerning efforts to contact Congressman Richard H. Ichord (D-Missouri) with respect to three FBI documents which the Congressman had requested from Archives relating to the assassination of former President John F. Kennedy.

By appointment, Inspector Bowers called on Congressman Ichord on 5-8-72. The Congressman stated he is concerned with allegedly unrevealed involvement on the part of the KGB with Oswald prior to the assassination of President Kennedy and that was the reason for his having requested the various documents from Archives. The Congressman was asked if he was seeking this information on his own volition or if, in fact, he had requested it for Bernard Fensterwald, head of the National Committee to Investigate Assassinations, it being pointed out to the Congressman that Fensterwald had been seen in his office by Bowers during an earlier visit there to discuss this matter.

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The Congressman said that he had requested the information for Fensterwald and stated he knows little of Fensterwald but he had been led to believe that the information was desired in connection with legitimate research for a book being prepared by Fensterwald or some people working with him. At this point the Congressman was briefed for his confidential information on Fensterwald's background, and he was furnished the identities of those associated with Fensterwald on the National Committee to Investigate Assassinations; namely, Fred J. Cook, [redacted] writer; William Turner, former FBI Agent; and Jim Garrison, New Orleans District Attorney. The Congressman was told that Fensterwald has stated that one of the primary purposes for organizing the Committee to Investigate Assassinations was to embarrass the Government.

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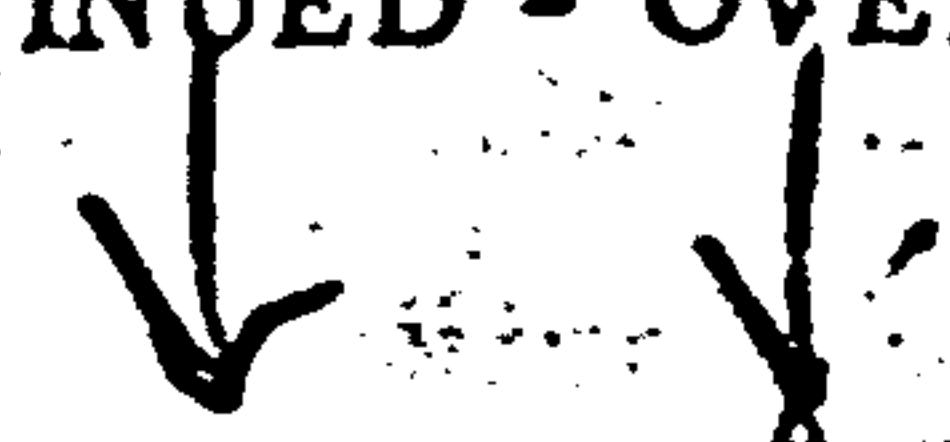
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Memorandum to Mr. [redacted] op

Re: Lee Harvey Oswald

Internal Security - Russia - Cuba

Request For Access To FBI Records

Congressman Richard H. Ichord

(Democrat - Missouri)

The Congressman remarked that he had no knowledge that Fensterwald was involved with such characters and was not aware of Fensterwald's background. He stated he certainly does not want to become embroiled with such individuals but that unfortunately the situation has progressed to the point whereby Fensterwald will probably allege that "my mouth has been sealed" by Government officials who want to hide the truth about the Kennedy assassination. He stated he feels the best course of action for him to take at this time is simply advise Fensterwald that he has seen the documents in question, both those originating with the FBI and the CIA, and that they contain no information pertinent to Fensterwald's inquiry.

During conversation with Congressman Ichord it was apparent that he is aware of the general nature of the three FBI documents in question. He stated, in fact, that he understands these documents concern an interview with [redacted] investigation to locate a safety deposit box allegedly rented by Oswald; and certain investigations in Mexico. The Congressman was advised that two of the documents in question contain no particularly substantive information and relate primarily to Bureau sources and operations and that the third document deals with the interview of [redacted] and could not be released by us without first clearing it with other sources.

The Congressman expressed his appreciation for our advice in this matter and particularly for the information concerning Fensterwald. He stated he is scheduled to talk with CIA representatives later this week concerning their documents, and he in all probability will treat them the same as FBI documents and merely tell Fensterwald that he has seen the documents in question and they contain no information pertinent to his inquiry.

RECOMMENDATION:

That this be referred to the Domestic Intelligence Division.

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May 22, 1972

The Acting Attorney General

Acting Director, FBI

- 1 - T. E. Bishop (D. W. Bowers)
- 1 - E. S. Miller
- 1 - W. A. Branigan
- 1 - L. Whitson

LEE HARVEY OSWALD
 INTERNAL SECURITY - RUSSIA - CUBA
 REQUEST FOR ACCESS TO FBI RECORDS -
 CONGRESSMAN RICHARD H. ICHORD
 (CONFIDENTIAL - MIA)

Under date of March 30, 1972, you forwarded for comment a request by Congressman Ichord to the Archivist of the United States for certain documents filed with the National Archives by the President's Commission on the Assassination of President Kennedy. These documents included certain items originating with the Federal Bureau of Investigation which, under Department of Justice guidelines, have not been released for public examination.

You requested our comments.

The communication from this Bureau dated April 5, 1972, informed you that we were conducting research regarding these documents.

On May 8, 1972, a representative of this Bureau discussed Congressman Ichord's request with the Congressman. It was determined that the request was actually on behalf of Bernard Fensterwald, Esquire, head of a private group called the "Committee to Investigate Assassinations." The Congressman stated that he intended to tell Fensterwald that he has seen the documents in question, both those originating with the Central Intelligence Agency and with the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and they contain no information pertinent to Fensterwald's inquiry. Accordingly, no further action need be taken in this regard.

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The documents requested were: Commission Document (CD) 451, transmitting results of an interview with [redacted] CD 880, listing FBI contacts in banking institutions; CD 910, outlining for Commission inquiries made by FBI Agents in Mexico and classified "Confidential" to protect our operations in Mexico.

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The Acting Attorney General

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The "Committee to Investigate Assassinations" through civil action in the U. S. District Court for the District of Columbia sought access to information in the FBI file on the assassination of Senator Robert F. Kennedy. This action was dismissed in July, 1971.

May 7, 1964

BY COURIER SERVICE

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

Dear Mr. Rankin:

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

Our letter of April 30, 1964, transmitted to the Commission results of our investigation in this particular inquiry. We also indicated that we were conducting further investigation concerning a \$25,000 charge which was made on January 7, 1964, against the account at the First National Bank of Grand Prairie, Grand Prairie, Texas, entitled "The Oswald Trust Fund." This account was opened on December 5, 1963, by James H. Martin and Marina N. Oswald.

Enclosed are two copies of a memorandum dated May 4, 1964, at Dallas, Texas, which sets out results of our additional inquiries regarding the aforementioned \$25,000 charge against the account entitled "The Oswald Trust Fund."

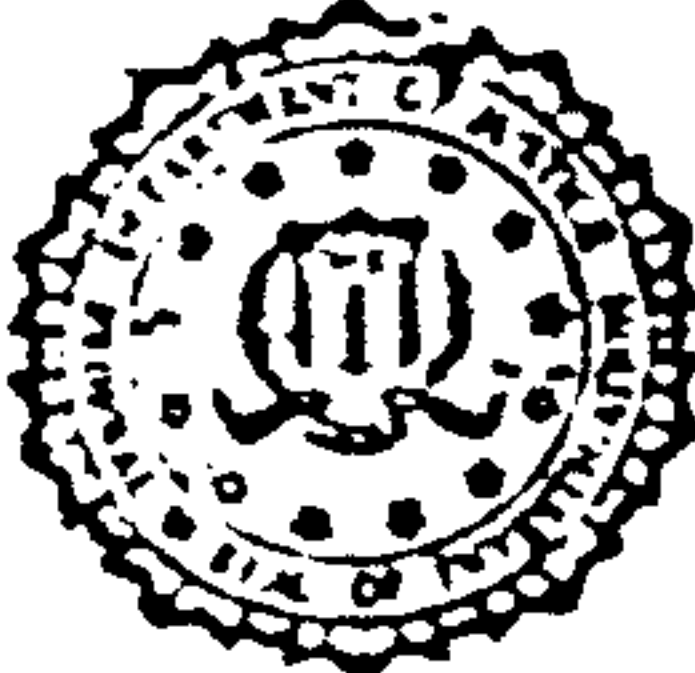
This concludes our investigation in this particular matter.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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ENCLOSURE



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
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Dallas, Texas

May 4, 1964

LEE HARVEY OSWALD

The following investigation was conducted concerning a \$25,000.00 charge, on January 7, 1964, against Account No. 15 081, captioned "The OSWALD Trust Fund," at the First National Bank in Grand Prairie, Grand Prairie, Texas:

On May 1, 1964, the records of the First National Bank in Grand Prairie, Grand Prairie, Texas, revealed that on January 7, 1964, a charge of \$25,000.00 was made to the account styled, "The OSWALD Trust Fund," opened December 8, 1963, by JAMES H. MARTIN and MARINA N. OSWALD, Account No. 15 081.

This \$25,000.00 was used to purchase Cashier's Check No. 47773, in the amount of \$25,000.00 on January 7, 1964, at the First National Bank in Grand Prairie, Payee "The OSWALD Trust," signed by N. D. BLACK, JR., Cashier.

Cashier's Check No. 47773 was marked "Void" and was replaced by Cashier's Check No. 47806, dated January 14, 1964, amount \$25,000.00, Payee First National Bank of Fort Worth, signed N. D. BLACK, JR., Cashier, on the First National Bank in Grand Prairie.

Cashier's Check No. 47806 was endorsed, "Credit To The Account of The Within Named Payee In Accordance With Payee's Instructions. Absence of Endorsement Guaranteed. First National Bank of Fort Worth, Texas, Trust No. 42-1295."

It is noted in the upper left-hand corner of the face of Cashier's Check No. 47806 are the words, "The OSWALD Trust," which have been scratched through.

Re: LEE HARVEY OSWALD

On May 1, 1964, the records of the First National Bank of Fort Worth, Fort Worth, Texas, revealed that on January 20, 1964, Trust Account No. 42-1295 was opened at the First National Bank of Fort Worth, in the name of JAMES H. MARTIN and JOHN M. THORNE, as Co-Trustees for MARINA OSWALD and children.

The Trust Account was opened with an initial deposit of \$25,000.00 with the deposit being Cashier's Check No. 47806, in the amount of \$25,000.00, dated January 14, 1964, Payee First National Bank of Fort Worth, and drawn on the First National Bank in Grand Prairie, Grand Prairie, Texas.

According to the records, there was one additional deposit of \$1,940.00, on March 25, 1964, being a Cashier's Check, but the records do not reveal any additional information regarding this Cashier's Check. However, the records reveal the deposit of \$1,940.00 was forwarded by WILLIAM F. GOODLING, Principal, West York Area, Joint School System, 1800 Bannister Street, York, Pennsylvania.

The trust is handled by First National Bank's Trust Committee and all but approximately \$100.00 of the \$25,000.00 has been invested in various stocks and bonds at the discretion of the Bank's Trust Committee.

The cash balance in the trust is approximately \$2,040.00.

The records contain a complete list of all the stocks and bonds in which the funds have been invested, and there have been no other withdrawals from this trust fund.

This information can be made available only upon the issuance of a subpoena duces tecum.

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May 8, 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.

Dear Mr. Rankin:

Pursuant to the request of Messrs. W. Dava
Slawson and Howard P. Willens of your staff, there are
enclosed two copies of a self-explanatory memorandum
dated April 23, 1964.

Upon detachment of the classified enclosure
this letter may be regarded as unclassified.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

Enclosures (2)

CONFIDENTIAL

April 30, 1964

BY COURIER SERVICE

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

Dear Mr. Rankin:

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

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

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

Your attention is directed to page 12 of the memorandum dated April 21, 1964, at Dallas, Texas, which reflects that a \$35,000 charge was made on January 7, 1964, against the account at the First National Bank of,

ENCLOSURE

105-8155-5675

Honorable J. Lee Rankin

Grand Prairie, Grand Prairie, Texas, entitled "The Oswald Trust Fund." This account was opened on December 6, 1963, by James H. Martin and Martin H. Oswald.

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

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

Enclosures (6)



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

San Antonio, Texas

April 17, 1964

LEE HARVEY OSWALD

In an effort to ascertain whether LEE HARVEY OSWALD had obtained a safe deposit-box in either of the two banks in Laredo, Texas, the following persons were interviewed:

On April 14, 1964, Miss SYLVIA ADALPE, employee of the Union National Bank in Laredo, advised she was in charge of the safe-deposit section during September and October, 1963. She was shown a photograph of LEE HARVEY OSWALD and she informed that to her knowledge she had never seen this individual.

On April 14, 1964, Mrs. INA TORRES, Secretary to the President of the Union National Bank, checked the records of renters of safe-deposit boxes of that bank and advised she was unable to locate any record of LEE HARVEY OSWALD having obtained a safe-deposit box under the name of OSWALD or O. H. LEE or any other similar name.

On April 14, 1964, Mrs. CLARICE M. WELA, in charge of the safe-deposit boxes of the Laredo National Bank, checked the records of that bank and advised she could not locate anyone with the name of LEE HARVEY OSWALD or O. H. LEE or any similar name having obtained a safe-deposit box at that bank. She was shown a photograph of LEE HARVEY OSWALD and informed that to her knowledge she had never seen him.

~~ENCLOSURE~~

LEE HARVEY OSWALD

On April 14, 1964, a photograph of LEE HARVEY OSWALD was displayed to Mrs. MARGARET D. MC CARTY, PBX Operator who on occasion would rent safe-deposit boxes at the Laredo National Bank. She advised she had never seen OSWALD to her knowledge.

On April 14, 1964, a photograph of LEE HARVEY OSWALD was shown to Mrs. ROSALIE GOODMAN at the check order desk who on occasion has rented safe-deposit boxes at the Laredo National Bank. She stated that to the best of her knowledge she has never seen LEE HARVEY OSWALD.



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Houston, Texas

April 17, 1964

LEE HARVEY OSWALD
INTERNAL SECURITY - R - CUBA

The following investigation was conducted at Houston, Texas, for the purpose of determining whether Lee Harvey Oswald or a member of his immediate family may have rented a safe-deposit box in a Houston bank subsequent to Oswald's return from Russia in June, 1962.

In making inquiries at the banks listed below, checks of appropriate records were made concerning any persons having the surname of Oswald and any persons using the name A. Hidell, Alek James Hidell, or C. H. Lee. In each case, the person having access to appropriate bank records made checks of such records against the above names. In addition, a photograph of Oswald was displayed to bank employees who control access to the safe-deposit area and who observe persons entering and leaving the area. The identities of the banks contacted at Houston, Texas, were obtained from the 1964 edition of the "Texas Banking Red Book" published by the Banker Digest, Empire Bank Building, Dallas, Texas.

The banking institutions at Houston, Texas, at which investigation was conducted are set forth below, along with the identities of the bank employees who were interviewed and the dates on which such interviews were conducted. As a result of these interviews the respective employees of each bank reported that no record could be located indicating that Oswald or any member of his immediately family using his own name or any of the names set out above in this memorandum had ever rented a safe-deposit box in Houston. These bank employees also reported after viewing a photograph of Oswald that they could not recall having seen him in the banks where they are employed.

This document contains neither recommendations nor conclusions of the FBI. It is the property of the FBI and is loaned to your agency; it and its contents are not to be distributed outside your agency.

RE: LEE HARVEY OSWALD

Gulf Coast National Bank (4/14/64)
11310 Chimney Rock
L. A. Gentry, Jr. - Cashier
Martha Smith - Safe-Deposit Box Custodian

Chemical Bank & Trust (4/14/64)
3805 Kirby Drive
G. L. Schroder - Cashier

Houston Bank & Trust Co. (4/14/64)
1801 Main Street
W. W. Hall - Cashier
Mrs. M. W. Wright
E. W. Wilmore
Margaret Barcelona
Hertha Weyrich - all safe-deposit section

Belfort State Bank (4/14/64)
6035 Belfort Boulevard
Mrs. Dorothy Gallerand - Secretary to the
President, in charge of safe-deposit boxes

Medical Center National Bank (4/14/64)
6631 South Main Street
Miss Hazel Garrett - Secretary
Mr. Bob Sandlin - Safe-Deposit Teller

Fannin State Bank (4/13/64)
Mrs. Hallie Patton - Vault Clerk

Commercial State Bank (4/15/64)
9420 Jensen
Mr. Carroll C. Simmons - Cashier
Mrs. Jane Warnell - Safe-Deposit Department
Mrs. Juniata Elliot - Safe-Deposit Department

Northeast National Bank (4/15/64)
8305 East Houston Road
Vallo A. McLish. - Cashier
Mrs. C. Leo Chivers - Safe-Deposit Clerk

Longpoint National Bank (4/14/64)
1703 Long Point Road
Albert Bacarisse - Vice President
and Cashier

RE: LEE HARVEY OSWALD

Longpoint National Bank (continued)
June Johnson
Dorothy Hyde
Sandra Bright - all Safe-Deposit Department

Heights State Bank (4/15/64)
Miss Helen Rau - Safe-Deposit Custodian
Richard H. Dimon - Cashier

Chimney Rock National Bank (4/15/64)
Mrs. Selma Dawson - Safe Deposit Custodian
Browne B. Rice - Vice President

River Oaks Bank & Trust Co. (4/14/64)
Mrs. Janie W. Pace - Assistant Cashier
and in charge of Safe-Deposit Boxes
Max J. Frels - Assistant Vice President

Southside State Bank (4/14/64)
Stella Link Road at South Braceswood
Mrs. Peggy Waldrop - New Accounts
Thomas C. Willis - Assistant Cashier

Sharpstown State Bank (4/14/64)
400 Sharpstown Center
Mrs. Ruby Simpson
Mrs. Samille Jorbert Grove
Mr. Nelson Long - Vice President

Post Oak Bank (4/14/64)
2120 South Post Oak
Miss Evelyn Mico
William T. Keenan - Vice President

Gulfgate State Bank (4/15/64)
204 Gulfgate Mall
Mrs. J. R. Erwin - Safe-Deposit Department
Frank Green - Department Supervisor
Jane Ransome

South Park National Bank (4/15/64)
7425 South Park Boulevard
James S. Garbs - Vice President
Barbara Cecil - Safe-Deposit Department

RE: LEE HARVEY OSWALD

MacGregor Park National Bank
5730 Calhoun
William Schmidt - Operations Officer
Mrs. Inez Salter - Records Department

Central National Bank (4/14/64)
2100 Travis
Mrs. Jean McCurdy - Custodian, Safe-Deposit Boxes
Mrs. Sharon Sue Roesch - Safe-Deposit Boxes
Mrs. Mamie Terrell - Safe-Deposit Boxes

North Side State Bank (4/14/64)
2010 North Main Street
Mrs. Vivian Furlow - Custodian, Safe-Deposit
Boxes

Port City State Bank (4/14/64)
3602 Jensen Drive
Mrs. Katherine Kasavage
Mrs. Charlene Keboceaus - Custodians,
Safe-Deposit Boxes

Reagan State Bank (4/14/64)
545 West 19th Street
Gay Nantze - Cashier
Clara Snell - Safe-Deposit Clerk

University State Bank (4/15/64)
5117 Kelvin
Hugh L. Whiteside - Vice President

Industrial State Bank (4/15/64)
6730 Capitol
Henry A. Dube - Vice President
Fannie V. Richardson - Safe-Deposit Custodian
Pauline McLain, Relief Safe-Deposit Custodian

Harrisburg National Bank (4/15/64)
507 Broadway
W. N. Sick - Vice President
Velma Washman - Safe-Deposit Custodian
Mary Draemer - Relief Safe-Deposit Custodian

RE: LEE HARVEY OSWALD

Lockwood National Bank (4/15/64)
5405 Clinton Drive
C. C. Wideman - Assistant Vice President
Ladian Crenshaw - Safe-Deposit Custodian

Fairbanks State Bank of Houston (4/15/64)
13636 Hempstead Highway
Mrs. Annette Mock - New Accounts and
Safe-Deposit Boxes
Mrs. June Lindley - Secretary

American Bank & Trust Co. (4/13/64)
1500 Waugh Drive
F. A. Noret - Assistant Cashier

Bank of Texas (4/14/64)
800 Travis
Guyla Melton - Vault Custodian

International Bank (4/14/64)
1300 Texas
John W. Hazard - President
Jean Sheffield - Vault Custodian

Texas National Bank of Commerce (4/14/64)
Mr. C. A. Barrett - Vice President - Cashier
Mrs. Vera Hayes
Mrs. Willie Wilbanks - Safe-Deposit Box
Custodians

Riverside National Bank (4/14/64)
2602 Blodgett
Mr. Lenthon B. Clark - Cashier
Mrs. Dorothy Owens - Safe-Deposit Box
Custodian

East End State Bank (4/14/64)
Mr. John A. DeVoke, Jr. - Cashier
Mrs. G. C. Emery - Safe-Deposit Box
Custodian

Bank of the Southwest (4/14/64)
Curtis W. Regner - Assistant Vice President,
Safe-Deposit Department

RE: LEE HARVEY OSWALD

Bank of the Southwest (continued)
Jewel DeWolf - Clerk, Safe-Deposit Department
Joyce Kelly - Clerk, Safe-Deposit Department

Highland Village State Bank (4/15/64)
4030 Westheimer
Mrs. Isabelle Browne - Clerk, Safe-Deposit
Department

Homestead State Bank (4/16/64)
10022 Homestead Road
Joe T. Verdina - Assistant Cashier

Oak Forest State Bank (4/15/64)
1120 West 43rd Street
Doyle Strickland - Vice President
Mrs. Waldene Howard - in charge of
safe-deposit boxes

The Republic National Bank of Houston (4/15/64)
5200 North Shepherd
Robert A. Gray - Assistant Cashier
Wanda Rasco - in charge of new accounts
Ada Rose - in charge of safe-deposit boxes

Pinemont State Bank (4/15/64)
12160 Hempstead Highway
Mrs. C. E. Mitchell - Auditor and
in charge of safe-deposit boxes

Citizens State Bank (4/14/64)
400 Main Street
Mr. O. F. Horn - Vice President
Lucy Albertson - Secretary
Mrs. Earl Goostree - Secretary
Mr. G. K. Miller
Mrs. Ira Purefoy - Relief Safe Deposit
Mrs. Florence Newton - Safe-Deposit Custodian

Houston National Bank (4/14/64)
202 Main Street
Mrs. Billie Scher - Information Desk Clerk
Mr. R. H. McElrath - Auditor
Mrs. Greta Ellis - Relief Vault Clerk

RE: LEE HARVEY OSWALD

Fidelity Bank and Trust Company (4/14/64)
1602 Milam Street
Mr. Marcus Thomas - President
Mrs. Ernestine Cain - Custodian of
Safe-Deposit Vault

Meyerland State Bank (4/15/64)
Mrs. Hilda Krepec - Assistant Cashier

South Main State Bank (4/16/64)
Mr. S. R. Morton - Cashier

First City National Bank (4/16/64)
Mr. Roy Baldwin - Assistant Cashier

Continental Bank & Trust Co. (4/14/64)
Fannin and Rusk Streets
Miss Sudie Ritter - Teller in Charge
of Safe Deposits

Southern National Bank (4/14/64)
Main at McKinney Streets
Marvin Peterson - Cashier

Tennessee Bank & Trust Co. (4/14/64)
Don French - Assistant Cashier

Northshore National Bank (4/17/64)
13301 Northshore Drive
Miss Nancy Singleton - Custodian,
Safe-Deposit Boxes

Spring Branch Bank (4/14/64)
8800 Brogdon at Katy Road
Mrs. Marjorie Andrew - Clerk and Custodian,
Safe-Deposit Boxes

First State Bank of Greens Bayou (4/14/64)
1420 Federal Road
Wayford Hollis - Cashier and Custodian,
Safe-Deposit Boxes
Mrs. Joan Bradshaw - Receptionist and
person who rents safe-deposit boxes