

OSWALD

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Transmit the following in _____
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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (105-38431)
SUBJECT: LEE HARVEY OSWALD
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ReNYtel, 12/5/63.

On 12/5/63, JOHN J. ABT, 320 Broadway, NYC, identifying himself as attorney for the Gus Hall-Benjamin B. Davis Defense Committee, made available to SA JOSEPH B. WATERS an undated letter from subject on a 3" by 3" piece of paper which enclosed examples of his photographic work. In his letter OSWALD explained that he would be "honored" to do such work without charge and suggested that material might be sent to him in any size for reproduction in the form of positive or negative prints. His letter enclosed two photographic copies of a poster entitled "The Gus Hall - Benjamin J. Davis Defense Committee - END Mc CARRANISM". He also enclosed the negative prints used to create this poster.

A letter of acknowledgement dated 12/13/62, was sent to OSWALD over the signature, Hall-Davis Defense Committee, James J. Tormey, Executive Secretary, and a copy of this letter was also made available by ABT.

A request was made by ABT that the material be returned to him when it had served its purpose and he was informed that his request would be made a matter of record. He also stated that any question in connection with this material might be referred to him.

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The text of OSWALD's letter is set out below as well as the reply of the Hall-Davis Defense Committee.

It is noted that OSWALD apparently directed his letter to "third fl. 23 West 26th Street, New York, NY, with this being referred to the Hall-Davis Committee because of the text. It is noted that the third floor at the above address is utilized as the National Office of the CP, USA.

Enclosed for the Bureau with copies to Dallas is the material described above consisting of the undated letter written by OSWALD, ~~the reply~~ the photographic posters and the photographic negatives apparently used in the reproduction. The text of the OSWALD letter follows:

"Third Fl.
23 West 26th Street
New York, NY

"L. H. Oswald
Box 2915
Dallas, Texas

Dear Sirs:

"Enclosed a small example of my modest skill, If you may happen to need any head-line-photo-work on a small scale, I will be honored to do it, for you of course, there will be no charge.

"Sincerely

"Lee H. Oswald

"(over)

"Instructions;

"Just send me any size, small reproduction of what you want done. For instance, the below size reproduction was also used on the prints enclosed.

"I can make black on white (positive print), or white on black (negative print) any size you desire."

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The example used by OSWALD is a cut out of the name GUS HALL in small print and taped to the letter. The acknowledgement reads as follows:

"December 13, 1962

"Mr. Lee H. Oswald
Box 2915
Dallas, Texas

"Dear Friend:

We are in receipt of the samples of photographic work you sent us.

We deeply appreciate your offer to do this type of work for us as your contribution to our activity. We are putting this material on file so that we can make reference to it in the event that any such need arises.

"Thanks again.

"Sincerely,

"HALL-DAVIS DEFENSE COMMITTEE

"James J. Torney,
Executive Secretary"

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HALL-DAVIS DEFENSE COMMITTEE

James J. Torney,
Executive Secretary

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W. C. SWAN
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WALTON, N.M.

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23 W 89
New York
N.Y.

Dear Sirs,

Enclosed a small
sample of my metal
shell, if you may
prefer to send my
lead-line photo-weld
on a small scale, I
will be honored to do
it, for you of course,
there will be no charge.
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Instructions;
Just send me any
size, small reproduction
of what you wanted
for witness. It shows
size reproduction was
also used on job
print labels. ↓

GUS NAME

I can make that on
white (positive print) or
white on black (negative
print) any size you desire.

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