

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Dallas, Texas

July 7, 1977

In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT  
JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY,  
November 22, 1963,  
Dallas, Texas

On June 17, 1977, [REDACTED], Everman,  
Texas, furnished the following information:

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Date of transcription 6-24-77

[redacted], Everman, Texas, telephone 293-4077, was advised of the identity of the interviewing Agent and that this Agent desired to speak to him about the information regarding President JOHN F. KENNEDY's assassination that he wished to volunteer to the FBI. [redacted] provided the following information:

[redacted] advised in December, 1963, he was decorating the CARROUSEL CLUB, Fort Worth, Texas, for Christmas. He advised an individual by the name of [redacted] (also used the name of [redacted]) said he was the public relations man for [redacted]

[redacted] stated [redacted] advised him that [redacted] had a son that was considered an idiot, but had an uncanny ability to find oil. [redacted] son went to Alaska in either 1938 or 1939 and discovered a large deposit of oil. All attempts to obtain pipes to get the oil out of Alaska were unsuccessful so [redacted] son made a deal with [redacted]. [redacted] was to furnish the pipe and [redacted] would furnish him oil. This was shortly after the war was started. [redacted] stated that the United States Government filed Acts of Treason against [redacted] son. [redacted] went to President FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT and supposedly pled with him to have the case dismissed. [redacted] advised [redacted] actually made a money deal with President ROOSEVELT to enhance President ROOSEVELT's political aspirations. The case against [redacted] son was shortly thereafter dropped.

[redacted] stated after the election of JOHN F. KENNEDY, ROBERT KENNEDY, the Attorney General, came across old records regarding the [redacted] matter and decided to investigate. [redacted] was spreading a lot of money around at that time and the KENNEDYS were shortly thereafter assassinated. [redacted] stated [redacted] did not say why the money was spread around, but he (redacted) surmised it was to pay for the assassination of President KENNEDY. He stated [redacted] then looked like he had said something he should not have said and stopped speaking.

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Interviewed on \_\_\_\_\_

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[redacted] stated he saw [redacted] the next day and [redacted] advised him that he had been drinking too much and had made most of the story about [redacted] up, and that he [redacted] should forget about it.

[redacted] stated he thought the FBI was aware of the aforementioned information and that is the reason he waited 13 years to say anything.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

FBI Copy

TO : Assistant Attorney General  
Criminal Division

DATE: July 1, 1977

FROM : Director, FBI

SUBJECT: ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT  
JOHN F. KENNEDY; 11/22/63  
DALLAS, TEXAS

Reference is made to \_\_\_\_\_ memorandum dated \_\_\_\_\_  
(your file \_\_\_\_\_).

There is enclosed one copy of the ~~report of Special Agent - an LHM~~ \_\_\_\_\_  
dated 6/23/77 at Atlanta, Georgia.

A.  This covers the preliminary investigation and no further action concerning a full investigation will be taken by this Bureau unless the Department so directs.

B.  The investigation is continuing and you will be furnished copies of reports as they are received.

C.  The investigation requested by you has now been completed. Unless advised to the contrary no further inquiries will be made by this Bureau.

D.  Pursuant to instructions issued by the Department, no investigation will be conducted in this matter unless specifically directed by the Department.

E.  Please advise whether you desire any further investigation.

F.  This is submitted for your information and you will be advised of further developments.

G.  This is submitted for your information and no further investigation will be conducted unless specifically requested by the Department.

H.  This covers the receipt of a complaint and no further action will be taken by this Bureau unless the Department so directs.

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SEE NOTE PAGE TWO . . .

Assistant Attorney General  
Criminal Division

NOTE: A [REDACTED] was interviewed by a representative of the FBI at Wilmington, North Carolina, on March 23, 1971. During interview, he admitted that he was Exalted Cyclops of the Wilmington, North Carolina, Klavern of United Klans of America, Inc., Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (UKA). He also stated that he sent flowers to the funeral of Lee Harvey Osvald and was of the understanding that there were 33 sprays or wreaths at the funeral of Lee Harvey Osvald.

The following descriptive data was obtained:

Name: [REDACTED]  
Alias: [REDACTED]  
Residence: [REDACTED]  
Wilmington Beach, North Carolina  
Telephone: [REDACTED]  
Height: 6'3  
Weight: 215 pounds  
Hair: Blond, graying and bald on top  
Complexion: Light  
Scars and Marks: Birthmark scar on right temple  
Occupation: [REDACTED]  
Wilmington Beach, North Carolina  
Telephone: [REDACTED]  
Marital Status: Married

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# Memorandum

TO : Mr. Fehl  
FROM : J. S. Peelman  
SUBJECT: ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY; 11/22/63 DALLAS, TEXAS

DATE: 7/13/77

- 1 - Mr. Held  
1 - Mr. Adams  
1 - Mr. Fehl  
1 - Mr. Peelman  
1 - Mr. Lown  
1 - Mr. [REDACTED]  
1 - FOI-PA (Attn: Mr. Preston)

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Director's Sec'y \_\_\_\_\_

PURPOSE: To respond to the Director's inquiry on attached article by providing background information retrieved thus far concerning said article captioned "Castro Lied to Barbara Walters" appearing in the 7/7/77, edition of the "Midnight/Globe."

SYNOPSIS: Attached article based on interview of Frank Sturgis, aka Frank Fiorini, anti-Castroite, and alleges Fiorini in possession of "Secret" FBI document bearing Number MM105-8342, dated March 24, 1964." Search of Bufiles located Miami Division report on 4/4/64, containing FD-302 re Cuban exile John V. Martino, dictated on 3/24/64, in Miami, Oswald file 105-8342. April 4, 1964, report downgraded from "Secret" to "Confidential" - paragraph by paragraph. Martino 302 is not classified and downgrading markings indicate report was processed in preparation for FOI-PA release. Sturgis has made FOI-PA request but unable to determine at this time if he or anyone else has received the Martino 302. Martino 302 may be document referred to in article as it contains some of information contained in article. The 4/4/64, Miami report was disseminated to Warren Commission and CIA in 1964. The article alleges that the document contains nine names and 14 names appear in the Martino 302. The article quotes purported excerpts from document which agree with items of information appearing in Martino 302 but which are not comparable, word for word. Information re Oswald's alleged infiltration of anti-Castro organizations in Miami have previously been labeled as false by Sturgis when interviewed by a Bureau Agent. Article and Martino 302 refer to a flight Oswald is alleged to have had in Miami and Bureau Agents previously located and interviewed alleged participant. Article and Martino 302 refer to Oswald's alleged trip to Cuba which is not verifiable through Warren Report and Bufiles to date. Past Miami Division investigation/inquiry through JWS disclosed Martino may subscribe information to non-existent sources. Miami Division considers Martino unreliable. Criminal Division of Department may be queried for determination as to whether or not Sturgis should be interviewed after further records searches to ascertain if he has received a copy of the Martino 302.

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Memorandum to Mr. Felt

RECOMMENDATION: For information.

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DETAILS: The attached "Midnight/Globe" article is by Malcolm Abrams who states it is based on an interview of Frank Sturgis whom he describes as "once America's top spy in Cuba and more recently a Watergate burglar" and claims Sturgis is in possession of a "Secret" document bearing "Number MU105-8342, dated March 24, 1964."

A search of Bufiles discloses that Miami Division reported investigation in the Lee Harvey Oswald file under MU105-8342. A search of Bufile 105-82555, the Lee Harvey Oswald file, disclosed a 4/4/64 Miami report originally classified "Secret," but downgraded on 12/14/76, to "Confidential" on a paragraph by paragraph basis.

In this report appears a five-page 302 reflecting interview of Cuban exile John V. Martino by SA James J. O'Connor on 3/21, 23, 24/64, at Miami Beach, Florida, in Miami file 105-8342 and reflects the date dictated and transcribed as 3/24/64, which is the date set forth in the article. This 302 is not classified.

The 4/4/64 report was disseminated to the Warren Commission on 4/26/64, and to CIA on 5/1/64. As previously noted, it was downgraded from "Secret" on 12/14/76, and inquiry through the FOI-PA Branch, Records Management Division, discloses that the downgrading markings on the cover page of the 4/4/64 report indicate that it was reviewed by the Document Classification Review Unit since it was the subject of an FOI-PA request. At the present time it is not known whether, in fact, the document was released or to whom. It is noted, however, that assassination theorist, Mark Lane, has, as of 2/28/75, requested a substantial release of Lee Harvey Oswald and John F. Kennedy assassination documents. It was also ascertained that Frank Sturgis requested documents pertaining to himself on 3/23/76. Frank Sturgis is also identified as Frank Fiorini in Bufiles.

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The article further describes the document in question as containing nine names "all reliable FBI and CIA contacts on Cuban intelligence."

A review of the Martino 302 reflects the following names or persons referred to in order of mention:

- (1) John V. Martino - Cuban exile and coauthor of "I Was Castro's Prisoner."
- (2) Nathaniel Weyl - coauthor of "I Was Castro's Prisoner."
- (3) President John F. Kennedy.
- (4) Lee Harvey Oswald.
- (5) Unnamed source
- (6) Felipe Vidal Santiago - anti-Castro Cuban exile.
- (7) Frank Fiorini (aka Frank Sturgis) - anti-Castro.
- (8) Fidel Castro.
- (9) Jim Buchanan, reporter, "Pompano Beach Sun-Sentinel."
- (10) Jack Ruby.
- (11) FNU Praskin - Cuban with alleged connections to Ruby.
- (13) Lazaro Cardenas - former President of Mexico.
- (14) Jerry Buchanan - brother of Jim Buchanan and reported recruiter for Fiorini's anti-Castro organization.

Of the 14 persons listed above it is not possible to accurately determine which may meet the criteria for "nine names" or "contacts" as set forth in the article.

The article also provides what purports to be an excerpt from the document in question as follows:

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"Mr. \_\_\_\_\_ believe that Oswald had travelled from Mexico to Oriente Province, Cuban, prior to November, 1963, then returning to the United States.

"Reportedly Oswald used an airstrip located on the estate of former Mexican President Lazaro Cardenas in the Yucatan Peninsula of Mexico.

"The trip by Oswald to Oriente Province was reportedly for the purpose of making contact with Paul Castro, the brother of Fidel Castro.

This information came from Cubans in the Miami area."

The Martino 302 reflects the following in this regard:

"He (Martino) stated the same source, who he previously refused to identify, had informed him of the travel by Oswald to Cuba. He said this travel was made as of the end of September, 1963, by flying from an airstrip on a farm of former Mexican President Lazaro Cardenas in Yucatan, Mexico, to Cuba. He stated he did not question his source as to how he was sure of this travel by Oswald, but believed the source had probably obtained it from a girl friend of Oswald in Mexico."

The article states that Sturgis was interviewed by the FBI after the John F. Kennedy assassination and was asked if Lee Harvey Oswald had been active in the Miami area, to which he responded that he had heard that "Oswald was in Miami attempting to infiltrate anti-Castro organizations as a spy for Castro."

Bufiles reflect Sturgis was interviewed by SA O'Connor on 1/14/64, at Miami in Miami file 105-3342 concerning an article written by Jim Buchanan for the "Sun-Sencinel." Referring to Buchanan, Sturgis said:

"That from time to time he furnishes information concerning the Cuban situation to Buchanan, and Buchanan sometimes changes the information in order to effect anti-Castro propaganda."

In the same 302 Sturgis further advised:

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"With specific reference to the statement appearing in the "Sun-Sentinel" of December 4, 1963, to the effect that Lee-Harvey Oswald attempted to infiltrate several organizations in Miami, including the Anti-Communist International Brigade, Fiorini stated this was false. He said that it also followed that the statement in the "Sun-Sentinel," quoting Fiorini as saying the AIB turned down Oswald's application because they could not find out anything about his background, was also false."

The article, apparently quoting Sturgis, states, "at one particular time this associate of mine got in a fight with Oswald in Miami."

The Martino 302 states . . . (Jim) Buchanan, during a telephone call, told him that Buchanan's brother, Jerry Buchanan, had a fistfight with Lee Harvey Oswald at Miami, Florida, about a year prior to the assassination.'

Jerry Buchanan was interviewed by Bureau Agents at Fairhope, Alabama, on 3/26/64, at which time he stated as follows:

"After the assassination of President Kennedy in November, 1963, and the attending publicity given to Lee Harvey Oswald, Buchanan recognized Oswald from his photograph as having been one of the members of the Fair Play for Cuba Committee engaged in the fight in the Bay Front Park in October, 1962. He also recalled that Oswald had been in Miami, Florida, again in March, 1963, distributing pro-Castro literature . . .

. . . Buchanan could furnish no specific information concerning associates of Oswald or his activity in Miami other than saying that Oswald had distributed pro-Castro literature which was the cause of the fight referred to above." The results of the Jerry Buchanan interview were furnished to the Warren Commission on 4/20/64.

Other information contained in the article concerning Oswald's alleged trip to Cuba and contact with Paul Castro is not verifiable in the Warren Commission Report and Bufiles to date.

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Memorandum to Mr. [redacted]

It is further noted that Bufiles reflect in J. E. O'Connell memo to Mr. Gebhardt, 2/19/75, captioned "Commission on CIA Activities Within the United States Request from David W. Belin, Executive Director of the Commission," which deals in part with an allegation that Oswald was present in Miami as alleged by Frank Sturgis, the following conclusion was set forth, "other investigation was negative regarding any activity or presence of Oswald in Miami."

It is also to be noted that Bufiles reflect that repeated efforts were made by the Miami office to encourage Martino to reveal his source of information referred to in the Martino 302 dictated on March 24, 1964. Eventually on 5/11/64, Martino identified his source as Oscar Ortiz an anti-Castroite.

Miami Division conducted inquiry through INS, Miami, and ascertained that agency possessed no record concerning Ortiz. Furthermore, INS advised that its past dealings with Martino indicated that Martino had no substantiation for other allegations made to INS, but attributed his information to a non existent source (Bufile 105-82555-3995).

In Miami airtel to Director, 6/1/64, captioned "Lee Harvey Oswald, IS-R-Cuba," Miami states "Miami considers Martino to be unreliable. It is further believed that Martino would probably welcome a subpoena before the President's Commission, as it would add to his stature and furnish him additional notoriety on which to capitalize in his lecture engagements, which he gives on Communism in Cuba. It is felt, however, that he would be equally evasive with the President's Commission as he was with the Miami Office, and there is no evidence to indicate he could furnish the Commission with anything but untraceable hearsay and speculation."

Will determine through National Archives and/or FOI-PA Section whether Frank Sturgis received a copy of the Martino FD-302. Based upon these findings, consideration will be given to requesting Departmental authority to interview Frank Sturgis regarding his possession of said document.

In the hundreds of thousands of written about the assassination, there is not a line connecting Oswald, the alleged assassin, with Fidel Castro, the man we now know had the most to gain from Kennedy's death.

There is not even a line placing Lee Harvey Oswald in Cuba.

The evidence is also in direct contradiction to Fidel Castro's statements on the recent Barbara Walters interview, in which he denied any involvement in the JFK assassination.

Yet the FBI has known all along of evidence linking Oswald and Castro. FBI agents were told about the secret trip, the rendezvous and the plot only weeks after the murder of President Kennedy.

There is an FBI document to prove it — Number MM105-8342, dated March 24, 1964.

A copy of this document is in the hands of Frank Sturgis, once America's top spy in Cuba and more recently a Watergate burglar.

In an exclusive interview with MIDNIGHT/GLOBE, Sturgis read at length from the document — but he would not allow it to be photographed.

"Not on my life!" he protested.

At all cost, he said, the names of the contacts who gave the information to the FBI must be protected. There are nine names on the document — all reliable FBI and CIA contacts on Cuban intelligence.

Their lives could be in danger if their identities are made public.

Sturgis says Oswald made a secret trip to Cuba while visiting Mexico in late September of 1963. That Oswald went to Mexico has been definitely established. On September 27, he visited the Cuban and Russian embassies in Mexico City.

This was on his first day south-of-the-border. He spent five days there altogether, but no accounting of how Oswald spent those last four days has ever been given.

"Oswald contacted the Soviet Embassy in Mexico City and the report from the Russians is that they didn't want anything to do with him. Which is a natural report, under the circumstances," says Sturgis.

"Then Oswald showed up at the Cuban Embassy and the Cubans said, 'We don't want to have anything to do with him.'

"Yet he spent four more days in Mexico. My conclusions are that he used this time to make contact with Cuban Intelligence for his getaway after the assassination."

Sturgis has three good reasons for arriving

at this conclusion. He knows Castro. He knows how the Soviet KGB works and how the Cuban intelligence agency, DGI, works. And he knows the contents of that secret FBI report. Oswald, Sturgis believes, was trained in espionage by the KGB during the three years he spent in Russia.

"It was so easy for Oswald to get into Russia and at that time, in 1959, at the height of the Cold War, it was damn difficult for anyone to get into Russia, or out, unless he had connections high up.

"Oswald was sent to Minsk by the Russians after he defected from the United States.

"Minsk happens to be an intelligence center. It's where the Russians had set up a school for the training of Cuban intelligence officers.

"During Oswald's time in Minsk, thousands of Cubans were trained in intelligence work.

"I have no proof, but I believe that Oswald made contact with Cuban agents there and eventually agreed to work with them."

Frank Sturgis, right from the moment of Kennedy's assassination, has had further reason to believe that Fidel Castro was involved.

While serving as Castro's chief of security for the Cuban Air Force after the revolution, Sturgis, working with U.S. intelligence, was involved in plots to assassinate the Cuban dictator.

The American people didn't learn of these attempted assassinations until they were revealed in the Senate committee hearings on intelligence less than two years ago. But

Sturgis, the FBI and CIA knew all along that Fidel Castro had a motive to kill Kennedy.

As Sturgis rather bluntly told MIDNIGHT/GLOBE, "Fidel is capable of murder and he has participated in the assassinations of other foreign leaders in Latin America.

"And let's face it, if you're trying to kill me and I know you are trying to kill me and you've made attempts and failed... I'd be a fool not to try and rub you out before you rub me out."

On the recent Barbara Walters TV interview with Castro, the Cuban dictator said he knew of more than 20 separate CIA-inspired attempts on his life. The CIA has admitted to six.

There is no doubt that Castro knew

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Kennedy was out to get him.

The third reason that Sturgis believes "friend Fidel" was involved in the Kennedy assassination is the most convincing of all. He has a copy of the FBI report which links Lee Harvey Oswald with the late Raul Castro, brother and former right-hand man to the Cuban leader. He died several years ago.

The following is excerpted from that document, omitting only the name of the FBI informant.

"Mr. \_\_\_\_\_ believe that Oswald had travelled from Mexico to Oriente Province, Cuba, prior to November, 1963, then returning to the United States.

"Reportedly Oswald used an airstrip located on the estate of former Mexican President Lazaro Cardenas in the Yucatan Peninsula of Mexico.

"The trip by Oswald to Oriente Province was reportedly for the purpose of making contact with Raul Castro, the brother of Fidel Castro.

This information came from Cubans in the Miami area."

According to Sturgis, the FBI was told of Oswald's secret flight to Cuba by a former high-ranking Cuban official who escaped Castro's regime. His story was then confirmed by eight other Cubans in the Miami area, who had supplied the FBI and CIA with intelligence in the past.

"They were all regular contributors of information to the various intelligence agencies," Sturgis said. "They were considered to be reliable sources by the FBI and CIA."

Sturgis personally knows all of the nine informants. "I would say out of all these people, only one I would not consider 100 percent reliable.

"They all had the same information," he continued. "They were in a lock together. But at the beginning, they received the information independently.

"They were all people who had held high positions in Cuba, who had maintained contact with other Cubans inside of Cuba

and they were receiving information either by mail or by secret code."

At the time of President Kennedy's assassination in November of 1963, Sturgis himself was involved in what has come to be known as "The Secret War Against Cuba."

He had personally piloted 160 air operations over Cuba and taken part in another 60 raids by boat. He had dropped anti-Castro pamphlets, sabotaged military installations, dropped agents and supplies onto the island.

Because of these actions he was re-interrogated by FBI after the Kennedy assassination. Two agents spent three and a half hours grilling Sturgis at his Miami home.

Particularly, the agents wanted to know if Lee Harvey Oswald had been in the Miami area prior to the assassination. There has never been any printed evidence to this effect.

Yet Sturgis told the FBI that Oswald had been seen and had been active in the Miami area. Sturgis' testimony is in the FBI record.

"They asked me — because it seems they had information to this effect — if I knew something about Lee Harvey Oswald being in the Miami area and I answered to the best of my knowledge.

"I told the FBI that a friend of mine, whose name I gave them, had told me Oswald was in Miami attempting to infiltrate anti-Castro organizations as a spy for Castro.

"At one particular time, this associate of mine got in a fight with Oswald in Miami. The incident occurred when Oswald was observed distributing pro-Castro literature. (This is not to be confused with another scuffle in which Oswald was involved in New Orleans.)

"At another time he reported to me that Oswald had tried to join an organization that I headed called the International Anti-Communist Brigade, which helped to supply resistance fighters in Cuba.

"I told the FBI that I had tried to search my memory but that I could not remember Oswald."

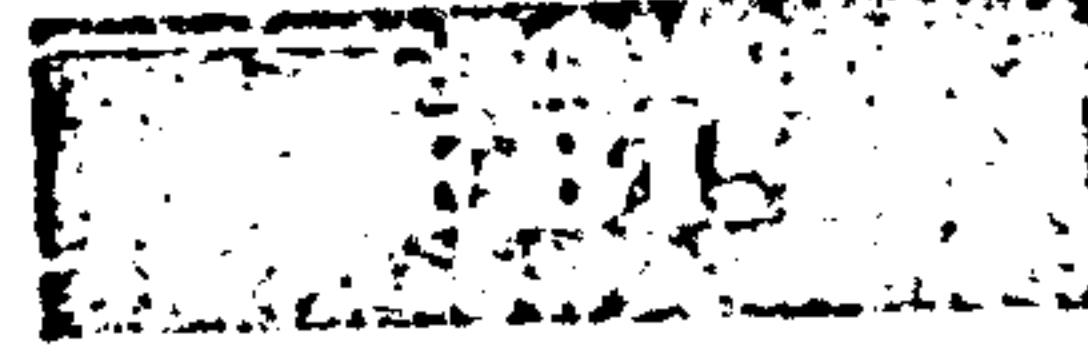
On that same FBI document MM105-8342, it states that Oswald tried to join two other anti-Castro organizations and failed.

The FBI by early 1964 had hard evidence that Lee Harvey Oswald had been in Miami, had been in Cuba, had met with Raul Castro. Yet none of this information was included in the Warren Report.

Either the FBI didn't tell the Commission... or the Commission decided not to tell the American people.

"It's a shame," says Sturgis. If the investigation had been handled with the thoroughness of the Watergate investigation, the world would have known the truth long ago. This type of investigation into the Kennedy assassination would have uncovered a sinister plot against our President."

## Participated in the assassination of other foreign leaders



By 1964 knew  
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (62-109060)  
FROM: SAC, NEW ORLEANS (89-69)(C)

ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT  
JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY,  
11/22/63,  
Dallas, Texas

Re Bureau airtel to New Orleans, 5/1/75.

The following is being submitted to the Bureau  
for background in case [REDACTED] recontacts the  
Bureau.

On 5/8/75 Mrs. [REDACTED] who formerly worked  
for [REDACTED] for about 2½ years when he operated the  
Yellow Cab Company in Alexandria, Louisiana, advised that  
[REDACTED] was "weird" and that he did not care about his  
business, drank quite a bit and frequently did not make  
much sense. He always carried a gun and was afraid of  
his shadow. Mrs. [REDACTED] showed a Bureau Agent where [REDACTED]  
lived and it is an old run-down home grown over with weeds and  
trees on the outskirts of Alexandria, Louisiana.

[REDACTED] came to the Alexandria, Louisiana, Resident  
Agency on May 12, 1975, and Bureau instructions contained in  
referenced airtel were carried out.

On May 13, 1975, Deputy [REDACTED] of the Rapides  
Parish Sheriff's Office called to ask directions [REDACTED]  
home since apparently [REDACTED] had indicated to authorities  
at the St. Charles Parish Sheriff's Office that he had infor-  
mation concerning the recent [REDACTED] 7/193

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Executive Agent in Charge

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[REDACTED]  
When [REDACTED] came to the Alexandria RA he had been drinking but he also appeared to be emotionally unstable. [REDACTED] is described as follows:

Name [REDACTED]  
Sex Male  
Race White  
Date of Birth October 10, 1924  
Place of Birth Rapides Parish, Louisiana  
Height 6'1"  
Weight 190 pounds  
Eyes Brown  
Social Security...  
Account Number... [REDACTED]  
Residence [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] Alexandria, Louisiana,  
near the [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] on Highway [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] of Alexandria  
Louisiana Driver's  
License with  
Photograph Number [REDACTED] issued by Office [REDACTED]  
Military Service U. S. Army, March, 1943  
Army Serial Number [REDACTED]

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

MEMORANDUM

To: SAC, New Orleans  
REC'D 5-10-75

5/1/75

From: Director, FBI (62-100060) - 7174

1-Mr. Nettles  
1-Mr. [REDACTED]  
1-Mr. [REDACTED]

ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN  
FITZGERALD KENNEDY, NOVEMBER 22,  
1963, DALLAS, TEXAS

Enclosed are two copies each of letters dated 4/5/75,  
and 4/21/75, received at FBIHQ from [REDACTED], [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED], Alexandria, Louisiana. Also enclosed is a packet con-  
taining miscellaneous material which was enclosed with the two  
letters.

These letters have been reviewed at FBIHQ and found  
to contain no new information of pertinence to the Kennedy  
assassination.

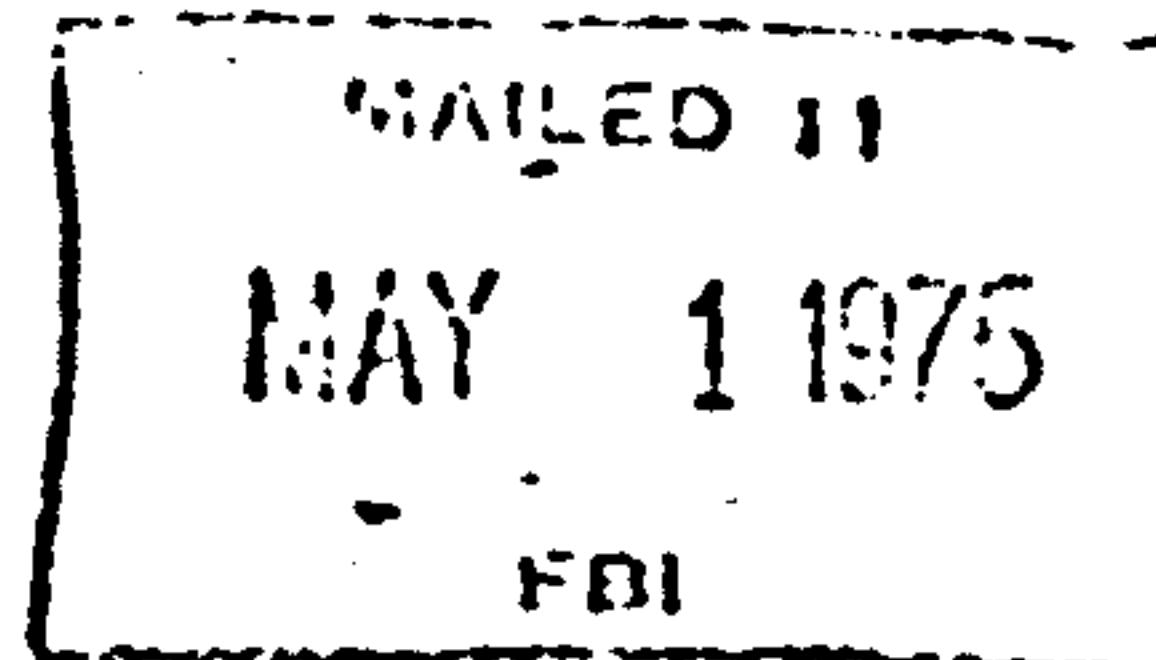
Only identifiable reference to writer in Bureau files  
is a laboratory matter wherein he was mentioned as a remote  
suspect in the death of bail bondsman J. A. Morgan, which was  
apparently a suicide.

Bureau files contain several references to a [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED], who is possibly identical with the [REDACTED]  
mentioned by the writer. These references show a periphery  
association of [REDACTED] with the American Nazi Party. Bureau  
files show this information to have originated from the  
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Airtel to Mr. [REDACTED] Orleans  
Re: [REDACTED] DR. PESI AND JOHN FITZ O'DOOL

In that it appears the writer is inclined to continually contact the FBI regarding this matter unless dissuaded, the New Orleans Division should personally contact the writer and advise him that the FBI conducted a prompt, intensive, objective, and thorough investigation of the Kennedy assassination, the results of which were fully and accurately reported to the Warren Commission. After a review of all available evidence, that Commission reached a conclusion that Lee Harvey Oswald acted alone in committing this crime.

Appreciation should be expressed to the writer for the concern shown by him in furnishing his information to the FBI. However, it should be explained to him that while the FBI stands ready to reopen any investigation where there are reasonable grounds to do so, there have been no such grounds in this case.

Regarding his question about the door being left open while he was at the New Orleans Office, he should be advised that this is done out of concern for the safety of our employees.

In response to his question as to whether [REDACTED] has been cleared by the FBI, he may be advised that [REDACTED] is not the subject of an FBI investigation.

The enclosed packet of material should be returned to Mr. [REDACTED]

Airtel to SAC, Orleans  
RE: ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY

NOTE: Writer sent a 9-page letter dated 4/5/75, and a 2-page continuation letter dated 4/21/75, setting forth much information about politics in Louisiana and possible connection of the CIA and American Nazi Party through a friend of his, [REDACTED] with Lee Harvey Oswald, prior to the assassination of President Kennedy. He also alleges to have seen Oswald hitchhiking from Alexandria, Louisiana, to Dallas, Texas, in September, 1963. He asks to be advised if [REDACTED] has been cleared by the FBI. He mentions going to the FBI Office in New Orleans on 3/17/75. He continually mentions seeking out a bar when the going gets tough. Bufiles negative regarding the writer except a Laboratory matter wherein writer in 1966 was a remote suspect in a death which was apparently a suicide.

[REDACTED] is mentioned several times in Bufiles as having a periphery association with the American Nazi Party. Telephonic contact with the New Orleans Office reveals writer did visit there in March, 1975, and related basically the same information as contained in his letters. At that time he admitted to being an alcoholic. This communication instructs New Orleans to personally contact the writer, acknowledge receipt of his letters, express appreciation for his concern in writing, advise him there are no reasonable grounds on which to base reopening the investigation, and basically attempt to dissuade him from writing further letters.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO: *J. M. DeBruler*

DATE: 7/18/77

FROM: *T. M. Johnson*

SUBJECT: ALLEGATIONS MADE BY  
ROY D. VAN GOSSEN

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PURPOSE:

To advise no action being taken on allegations in attached letter.

DETAILS:

Attached long, rambling letter was received from [REDACTED] and contains no specific allegations of wrongdoing by Special Agents of the FBI. He has previously written letters and the New Orleans Office was instructed to advise him the John F. Kennedy murder was fully investigated, and the information furnished by him did not merit additional consideration because it was nonspecific.

The attached letter is in the same vein and no investigation is being ordered by the Office of Professional Responsibility against the Agents mentioned in the letter.

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RECOMMENDATION:

For information.

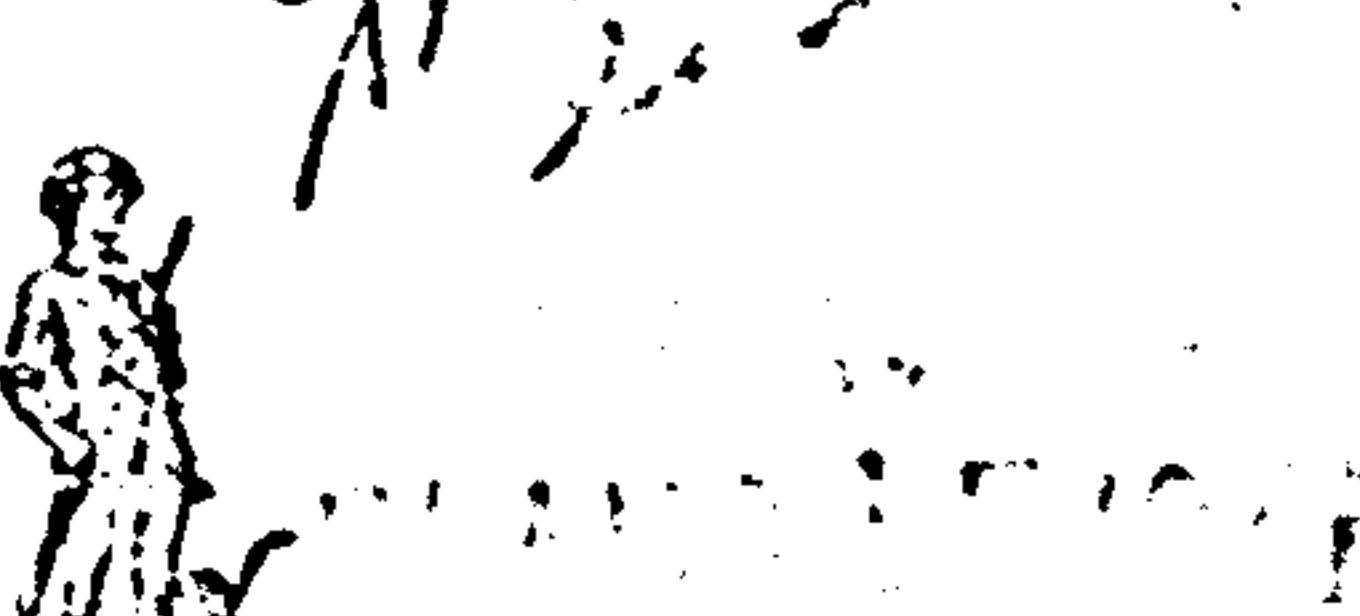
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DATE: July 19, 1977

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TO : Mr. Fehl

FROM : J. S. Feelman

SUBJECT: ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT  
JOHN F. KENNEDY  
NOVEMBER 22, 1963  
DALLAS, TEXAS

- 1 - Mr. Held
- 1 - Mr. Adams
- 1 - Mr. Fehl
- 1 - Mr. Feelman
- 1 - Mr. Baum
- 1 - Mr. [REDACTED]
- 1 - FOI-PA (Attn:  
Mr. Bresson)
- 1 - Mr. Mintz (Attn: Mr. Daly)

Reference is made to J. S. Feelman to Mr. Fehl memorandum dated 7/13/77, captioned as above.

PURPOSE: To furnish results of additional records searches and recommend forwarding of attached memorandum to the Attorney General.

SYNOPSIS: Referenced memo set forth details of FBIHQ file searches in response to Director's inquiry following 7/7/77, appearance of "Midnight/Globe" article alleging Frank Sturgis in possession of "Secret" FBI document. Searches disclosed document mentioned in article may be an FD-302 which is not classified and which was contained in a 4/4/64, report by Miami Division in Lee Harvey Oswald case. Additional record searches through FOI-PA Branch and National Archives and Records Service (NARS) indicate Sturgis has not received article through FBI, FOI-PA request, or NARS, but that report with 302 has been available at NARS since 12/27/76, and was furnished by NARS to assassination researcher Harold Weissberg and the private "Committee to Investigate Assassinations," approximately one month ago. Since article appears to be based on 302 available through NARS, it is recommended that attached memorandum be forwarded to Attorney General advising him that the FBI does not intend to interview Sturgis unless specifically requested by the Department.

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Memorandum to Mr. Fehl

RECOMMENDATION: That attached memorandum be forwarded to the ~~Attorney General~~, c/c: DDCI, FBI.

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DETAILS: J. S. Peelman to Mr. Fehl memorandum of 7/13/77, captioned "Assassination of President John F. Kennedy: 11/22/63, Dallas, Texas" provided results of FBIHQ file searches responding to Director's inquiry re 7/7/77, "Midnight/Globe" article which stated it was based on an interview of Frank Sturgis and claimed that Sturgis was in possession of a "Secret" document bearing Number MI105-8342, dated March 24, 1964.

A search of Bufiles disclosed that Miami Division reported investigation in the Lee Harvey Oswald file under MI105-8342. A search of Bufile 105-8355, the Lee Harvey Oswald file, disclosed a 4/4/64, Miami report originally classified "Secret" but downgraded on 12/14/76, to "Confidential" on a paragraph by paragraph basis.

This report contained a five-page 302 reflecting interview of Cuban exile John V. Martino by SA James J. O'Connor on 3/21, 23, 24/64, at Miami Beach, Florida, in Miami file 105-8342 and reflected the date dictated and transcribed as 3/24/64, which is the date set forth in the article. This 302 is not classified.

The 4/4/64, report was disseminated to the Warren Commission on 4/20/64, and to CIA on 5/4/64. As previously noted, it was downgraded from "Secret" on 12/14/76, and inquiry through the FOI-PA Branch, Records Management Division, disclosed that the downgrading markings on the cover page of the 4/4/64, report indicate that it was reviewed by the Document Classification Review Unit since it was the subject of an FOI-PA request.

It was determined that the article contained sufficient information to indicate it may refer to the Martino 302 as the alleged "Secret" document.

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Memorandum to Mr. John

On 7/14/77, Mr. Marion Johnson, NARS, Washington, D. C., advised that a search of his records disclosed that the 4/4/64, Miami report of SA James J. O'Connor, captioned "Lee Harvey Oswald; IS-R-Cuba," Miami file 105-6342, containing the FD-302 re John V. Martino, dated 3/24/64, is part of Warren Commission document Number 312.

Mr. Johnson further advised that his records reflect that he received a copy of the downgraded, 4/4/64, report from the FBI by letter, dated 12/27/76, and that it and the Martino FD-302 have been available to the general public with certain excisions or deletions since that time.

In addition, he recalls that copies of the 4/4/64, report were requested approximately one month ago by well known assassination theorist Harold Weisberg and the private "Committee to Investigate Assassinations." Mr. Johnson could not locate any record reflecting that Frank Sturgis had made a specific request for the 4/4/64, report or the 3/24/64, 302.

Additional searches by the FOI-PA Branch disclose that while Sturgis has a pending FOI-PA request, he has received no documents to date, but the Martino 302 is among the documents being processed for release to Sturgis at a later time.

Since much of the information appearing in the article has been found to be contained in the Martino FD-302 and since this 302 has been available to the general public through NARS since 12/76, it is being recommended that the attached memorandum be sent to the Attorney General advising him of the results of our records searches and that the FBI does not intend to interview Sturgis unless specifically requested to do so by the Department.

## FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

Assistant Attorney General  
Criminal Division

Director, FBI

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ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT  
JOHN F. KENNEDY  
NOVEMBER 22, 1963  
DALLAS, TEXAS

- 1 - Mr. Held
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- 1 - Mr. Fehl
- 1 - July 20, 1977
- 1 - Mr. Peelman
- 1 - Mr. Lawn
- 1 - Mr. [REDACTED]
- 1 - FOI-PA (Attn: Mr. Bresson)
- 1 - Mr. Hintz (Attn: Mr. Daly)

Enclosed for your information is a copy of an article, entitled Castro Lied to Barbara Walters, which appeared in the July 7, 1977, edition of "Midnight/Globe."

The writer, Malcolm Abrams, states the article is based on the interview of Frank Sturgis whom he describes as once America's top spy in Cuba and more recently a Watergate burglar, and claims Sturgis is in possession of a Secret FBI document bearing Number WU105-8342, dated March 24, 1964.

A search of FBI records discloses that in 1964, the Miami Division of the FBI reported investigation under the Lee Harvey Oswald caption in its file number 105-8342. Further search disclosed a Miami report dated April 4, 1964, in Miami file 105-8342 which contained a results of interview form, FD 302, reflecting interview of a Cuban exile, John V. Martino, at Miami Beach, Florida, in Miami file (W) 105-8342 bearing the date, March 24, 1964. This FD 302 refers to Sturgis by his alias, Frank Siccini.

The April 4th report was originally classified "Secret" and was disseminated to the Warren Commission and CIA in 1964. The report was downgraded from "Secret" to "Confidential," on a paragraph by paragraph basis, in December, 1976, and the Martino FD-302 became unclassified. A downgraded copy of the report containing the FD-302, with necessary excisions or deletions, was furnished to National Archives and Records Services (NARS) in December, 1976, and has been available to the public through NARS since that time. 7795

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Criminal Division

The document referred to in the article appears to be the Martino FD-302 since points of information appearing in the article do appear in the FD-302. The article alleges nine names appear in the document and 14 names appear in the FD-302, but only nine of these do not readily lend themselves to the definition of a "contact" as suggested in the article. The article quotes purported excerpts from the document which agree, in part, with information contained in the FD-302, but which are not comparable on a word for word basis. In the article, Sturgis is alleged to have told the FBI, in a past interview, that Lee Harvey Oswald was in Miami, Florida, prior to the assassination of President Kennedy and did attempt to infiltrate anti-Castro organizations. While the alleged infiltration is not mentioned in the Martino FD-302, Sturgis was interviewed by a Bureau Agent on January 14, 1964, concerning that specific point and he labeled such information as false. The article and FD-302 mentioned a fight Oswald is alleged to have had in Miami, Florida, and Bureau Agents interviewed the alleged combatant on March 26, 1964. While this person denied being personally involved with Oswald, he claimed Oswald had been in a fight, but could provide no details. His recognition of Oswald was based on publicity following the John F. Kennedy assassination. The article and FD-302 refer to a trip Oswald is alleged to have made from Mexico to Cuba during September, 1963. The FD-302 points out that this information supposedly originated with a "girlfriend" of Oswald's who resided in Mexico.

Efforts to substantiate allegations that Oswald visited Cuba and contacted Raul Castro prior to the John F. Kennedy assassination have been unsuccessful upon review of the Warren Commission Report and FBI files.

During interview by the FBI in March, 1964, Martino described information he was furnishing to an unnamed source. In May, 1964, Martino advised the FBI of the identity of his previously unnamed source, but FBI efforts to locate the person or establish his existence were unsuccessful. In addition, it was learned that another Government agency had experienced the same difficulty with regard to a source claimed by Martino.

FBI records disclose that Sturgis has a pending March 23, 1976, FOIA request, but no documents have been released to him thus far, however, the FD-302 is among items to be released.

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Assistant Attorney General  
Criminal Division

On July 14, 1977, a representative of NARS advised that copies of the April 4, 1964, report containing the Martino FD-302 were requested approximately one month ago by a well-known assassination theorist, Harold Weisberg, and the private "Committee to Investigate Assassinations." NARS could not locate any records reflecting that Frank Sturgis had made a specific request for the April 4, 1964, report or the March 24, 1964, FD-302.

In view of the above, the FBI does not intend to interview Frank Sturgis unless specifically requested to do so by the Department.

Enclosure

NOTE: See memoranda of J. S. Peelman to Mr. Fehl, dated 7/13/77, and 7/19/77, and captioned "Assassination of President John F. Kennedy; November 22, 1963, Dallas, Texas."

Reveals

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## Hard Evidence Links Oswald

GLOBE EXCLUSIVE BY MIDNIGHT/ABRAMS

A Watergate-type of investigation into the JFK killing would have uncovered a sinister plot against our President.

By MALCOLM ABRAMS  
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Lee HARVEY OSWALD was in Cuba less than two months before the assassination of President John F. Kennedy.

There is evidence that he met with Fidel Castro's brother Raul and finalized plans for Kennedy's assassination and for his own escape after the murder.



FRANK STURGIS produced a secret FBI document containing evidence that Lee Harvey Oswald was working with the Cubans in the plot to assassinate Kennedy.

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written about the assassination, there is not a line connecting Oswald, the alleged assassin, with Fidel Castro, the man we now know had the most to gain from Kennedy's death.

There is not even a line placing Lee Harvey Oswald in Cuba.

The evidence is also in direct contradiction to Fidel Castro's statements on the recent Barbara Walters interview, in which he denied any involvement in the JFK assassination.

Yet the FBI has known all along of evidence linking Oswald and Castro. FBI agents were told about the secret trip, the rendezvous and the plot only weeks after the murder of President Kennedy.

There is an FBI document to prove it — Number MM105-8342, dated March 24, 1964.

A copy of this document is in the hands of Frank Sturgis, once America's top spy in Cuba and more recently a Watergate burglar.

In an exclusive interview with MIDNIGHT/GLOBE, Sturgis read at length from the document — but he would not allow it to be photographed.

"Not on my life!" he protested.

At all-cost, he said, the names of the contacts who gave the information to the FBI must be protected. There are nine names on the document — all reliable FBI and CIA contacts on Cuban intelligence.

Their lives could be in danger if their identities are made public.

Sturgis says Oswald made a secret trip to Cuba while visiting Mexico in late September of 1963. That Oswald went to Mexico has been definitely established. On September 27, he visited the Cuban and Russian embassies in Mexico City.

This was on his first day south-of-the-border. He spent five days there altogether, but no accounting of how Oswald spent those last four days has ever been given.

"Oswald contacted the Soviet Embassy in Mexico City and the report from the Russians is that they didn't want anything to do with him. Which is a natural report, under the circumstances," says Sturgis.

"Then Oswald showed up at the Cuban Embassy and the Cubans said, 'We don't want to have anything to do with him.'

"Yet he spent four more days in Mexico. My conclusions are that he used this time to make contact with Cuban Intelligence for his getaway after the assassination."

Sturgis has three good reasons for arriving:

And he knows the context of that secret FBI report. Oswald, Sturgis believes, was trained in espionage by the KGB during the three years he spent in Russia.

"It was so easy for Oswald to get into Russia and at that time, in 1959, at the height of the Cold War, it was damn difficult for anyone to get into Russia, or out, unless he had connections high up."

"Oswald was sent to Minsk by the Russians after he defected from the United States.

"Minsk happens to be an intelligence center. It's where the Russians had set up a school for the training of Cuban intelligence officers.

"During Oswald's time in Minsk, thousands of Cubans were trained in intelligence work.

"I have no proof, but I believe that Oswald made contact with Cuban agents there and eventually agreed to work with them."

Frank Sturgis, right from the moment of Kennedy's assassination, has had further reason to believe that Fidel Castro was involved.

While serving as Castro's chief of security for the Cuban Air Force after the revolution, Sturgis, working with U.S. intelligence, was involved in plots to assassinate the Cuban dictator.

The American people didn't learn of these attempted assassinations until they were revealed in the Senate committee hearings on intelligence less than two years ago. But

Sturgis, the FBI and CIA knew all along that Fidel Castro had a motive to kill Kennedy.

As Sturgis rather bluntly told MIDNIGHT/GLOBE, "Fidel is capable of murder and he has participated in the assassinations of other foreign leaders in Latin America.

"And let's face it, if you're trying to kill me and I know you are trying to kill me and you've made attempts and failed... I'd be a fool not to try and rub you out before you rub me out."

On the recent Barbara Walters TV interview with Castro, the Cuban dictator said he knew of more than 20 separate CIA-inspired attempts on his life. The CIA has admitted to six.

There is no doubt that Castro knew

## Sent to Minsk: by the Russians after defecting from the US

## Involved in the secret war against Cuba

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The third reason that Sturgis believes "Big Jim" was involved in the Kennedy assassination is the most convincing. It has a copy of the FBI report which links Lee Harvey Oswald with the late Raoul Castro, brother and former right-hand man to the Cuban leader. He died several years ago.

The following is excerpted from that document, omitting only the name of the FBI informant.

"Mr. \_\_\_\_\_ believe that Oswald had travelled from Mexico to Oriente Province, Cuba, prior to November, 1953, then returning to the United States.

"Reportedly Oswald used an airstrip located on the estate of former Mexican President Lazaro Cardenas in the Yucatan Peninsula of Mexico.

"The trip by Oswald to Oriente Province was reportedly for the purpose of making contact with Raoul Castro, the brother of Fidel Castro.

"This information came from Cubans in the Miami area."

According to Sturgis, the FBI was told of Oswald's secret flight to Cuba by a former high-ranking Cuban official who escaped Castro's regime. His story was then confirmed by eight other Cubans in the Miami area, who had supplied the FBI and CIA with intelligence in the past.

"They were all regular contributors of information to the various intelligence agencies," Sturgis said. "They were considered to be reliable sources by the FBI and CIA."

Sturgis personally knows all of the nine informants. "I would say out of all these people, only one I would not consider 100 percent reliable.

"They all had the same information," he continued. "They were in a lock together. But at the beginning, they received the information independently.

"They were all people who had held high positions in Cuba, who had maintained contact with other Cubans inside of Cuba

and they were receiving information either by mail or by secret code."

At the time of President Kennedy's assassination in November of 1963, Sturgis himself was involved in what has come to be known as "The Secret War Against Cuba."

He had personally piloted 160 air operations over Cuba and taken part in another 60 raids by boat. He had dropped anti-Castro pamphlets, sabotaged military installations, dropped agents and supplies onto the island.

### Participated in the assassination of other foreign leaders

By 1964 knew  
Oswald had  
been in Miami,  
Cuba and had  
met with  
Castro's brother

Particularly, the agents wanted to know if Lee Harvey Oswald had been in the Miami area prior to the assassination. There has never been any printed evidence to this effect.

Yet Sturgis told the FBI that Oswald had

been seen and had been active in the Miami area. Sturgis' testimony is in the FBI record.

"They asked me — because it seems they had information to this effect — if I knew something about Lee Harvey Oswald being in the Miami area and I answered to the best of my knowledge.

"I told the FBI that a friend of mine, whose name I gave them, had told me Oswald was in Miami attempting to infiltrate anti-Castro organizations as a spy for Castro.

"At one particular time, this associate of mine got in a fight with Oswald in Miami. The incident occurred when Oswald was observed distributing pro-Castro literature. (This is not to be confused with another scuffle in which Oswald was involved in New Orleans.)

"At another time he reported to me that Oswald had tried to join an organization that I headed called the International Anti-Communist Brigade, which helped to supply resistance fighters in Cuba.

"I told the FBI that I had tried to search my memory but that I could not remember Oswald."

On that same FBI document MM105-S342, it states that Oswald tried to join two other anti-Castro organizations and failed.

The FBI by early 1964 had hard evidence that Lee Harvey Oswald had been in Miami, had been in Cuba, had met with Raoul Castro. Yet none of this information was included in the Warren Report.

Either the FBI didn't tell the Commission... or the Commission decided not to tell the American people.

"It's a shame," says Sturgis. If the investigation had been handled with the thoroughness of the Watergate investigation, the world would have known the truth long ago. This type of investigation into the Kennedy assassination would have uncovered a sinister plot against our President." 3