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LEE HARVEY OSWALD

A confidential source abroad advised that on March 26, 1964, HERBERT ROBERT VOORHEES, who was issued Mexican Tourist Card FM-5 #4325846 by the Mexican Immigration Service at Nuevo Laredo, State of Tamaulipas, on June 5, 1963, and entered Mexico at the same place on the same date by train, made the following statement at his present residence, 19 Calle Masones, Apartment 10, San Miguel de Allende, State of Guanajuato, Mexico:

He advised that his true name is HERBERT FRANCIS VOORHEES, but that in some manner or other his name was listed incorrectly as HERBERT ROBERT VOORHEES on his birth certificate. He uses his true name as a commercial cartoonist.

He has lived a greater part of his life, until six years ago in Chicago, Illinois. He lived last in Chicago for twelve years at the Lake Lane Apartment, 6214 Winthrop Street, Chicago, Illinois. He is a widower and for the last six years he has traveled primarily by train to Mexico, where he has located in San Miguel de Allende several friendly Americans and artists.

He explained that he obtains a Mexican Tourist Visa which is good for 180 days stay in Mexico and this causes him to return to the United States about every six months to have his re-entry into Mexico re-established for 180-day periods as

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He explained, the train from Nuevo Laredo, State of Tamaulipas, Mexico, does not go to San Miguel de Allende and in his travels he has gotten off of the train at San Luis Potosi, State of San Luis Potosi, Mexico, and traveled to San Miguel de Allende by bus.

He advised that the last time he departed from Mexico was by "Greyhound bus" in the early part of October 1963. He recalled that he had entered Mexico by train some months previous to October 6, 1963, because by this date he had to leave Mexico to renew his tourist visa.

He could not recall the exact date he entered Mexico at Nuevo Laredo by train from San Antonio, Texas, where he had proceeded to previously from Kansas City, Kansas, via the "Katy Railroad Line," but he was certain that it was several months previous to October 6, 1963, when his Mexican Tourist Visa would have expired.

He recalled that on or about October 2, 1963, he left San Miguel de Allende at 7:30 AM by a "second class yellow bus" to San Luis Povosi, where he arrived just before noon the same day.

He recalled purchasing a "through ticket" to San Antonio, Texas, via the "Greyhound bus," which he clarified as being the Transportes del Norte bus line at San Luis Potosi.

He remembered that after the purchase of his ticket he had lunch and left San Luis Potosi on the Transportes del Norte bus at about 2:40 PM on October 2, 1963.

He could not recall his ticket number; could not recall if his name was registered on a passenger list, and he did not know if the bus he boarded had proceeded from Mexico, D. F., to San Luis Potosi. He saw the bus drive into the bus station at San Luis Potosi, but he did not recall if passengers were in it.

He remembered that he and other passengers boarded the bus at the Transportes del Norte bus station in San Luis



Potosi and he assumed that the bus was made up at this city because "it smelled clean" when he boarded it, but he was not certain of this.

He did not recall seeing any other American passengers aboard and he could not recall the number of passengers on the bus. He stated that he did not count the passengers and that there were at least four and certainly several more.

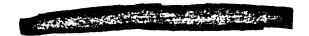
He stated that on this trip he went straight to Nuevo Laredo, Mexico, and to Laredo, Texas, arriving there at about 2:00 AM on October 3, 1963. He alone left the bus at Laredo, Texas, and stayed at the Southland Hotel in Laredo to rest and subsequently on the same day took a Greyhound bus, using the same ticket, to San Antonio, Texas.

He responded that the bus did stop at about 1:00 AM on October 3, 1963, at the "Mexican Immigration check station twelve miles from the Mexican-American border" and that the lights in the bus were turned on and the Mexican Immigration Official came aboard to check each passenger's documents.

He recalled clearly that the Mexican Immigration Official took off of the bus a young American man described only as about 20 years of age, 5' 9" tall, not heavy, medium build, bare headed, wore no coat, and carried one small bag and no suitcase.

He could not recall details about the American's description and repeatedly stated that the American was cleanshaven, cleanly dressed, wearing a shirt, slacks and shoes, and that he was "not a peatnik." With regard to the young American's dress, he recalled that he had considered that the American was lightly dressed because he was not wearing a coat during the cool night

He recalled having sat on the right side of the bus, because he always rides a bus sitting on the right side looking forward. He remembered that he did not sit toward the front or the back and sat somewhere in the middle of the bus.



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During the trip he talked with a Mexican-American who spoke English and Spanish well and sat across the gisle from him. The Mexican-American, whom he remembered only as middle-aged and thin faced, advised VOORHEES that he was going to the United States, but he could not recall this destination nor the name of the Mexican-American.

He remembered that the Mexican-American was traveling with his wife on the bus and that he was apparently returning to "his business" in the United States. The Mexican-American was a chain smoker and he appeared to be very nervous, for he smoked one cigarette after another.

During the trip he discussed with the Mexican-American the fact that he was a commercial artist. He did not know if the Mexican-American is a Mexican citizen.

He remembered that when the American was taken off the bus that he was taken from the back of the bus to the front and that the Mexican-American remarked to VOORHEES that the American was having trouble "over his papers."

He recalled that when the American returned to the bus and walked to the back, he mumbled in good English in a grumbling manner something like, "My papers were in order before and I don't know why they bother me now, they took my pass before."

He recalled that when the American was taken off the bus this was the first time that he saw and noticed him. He was certain that the American could not speak Spanish and VOORHEES presumed that the American was taken off the bus to the "check station office" where someone must have spoke to him in English.

He remembered seeing the American again at the United States Customs checking station in Nuevo Laredo, Mexico, at about 1:30 AM on October 3, 1963, when a Mexican woman's luggage was being examined and the young American was standing by. He recalled that the American, who was trying to dispose of a banana by eating it, was told by a United States Customs



Officer then that it was all right that he could bring the banana into the United States.

He did not speak to or was near the young American at any time.

He recalled leaving the bus alone at Laredo, Texas, at about 2:00 AM on October 3, 1963, and he considered that the American, as well as the other passengers, stayed on the bus to proceed on to San Antonio, Texas, or other points.

He remembered having arrived at Monterrey, Nuevo Leon, Mexico, at about 11:00 PM on October 2, 1963, and that he and the other passengers had to change to a smaller bus to proceed to Nuevo Laredo. He did not remember seeing the young American when this bus change was made and he does not know if this American got on the bus at Monterrey or at some other point.

He considered that other passengers aside from those who traveled from San Luis Potosi boarded the bus at Monterrey, but he was not certain of this.

He stated that he took the bus on this occasion to make for proper train connections in Kansas City, Kansas, and he took a train from San Antonio, Texas, to Kansas City and then proceeded on to visit his daughter, Mrs. NANCY M. TOUHY, 886 West Army Trail Road, Addison, Illinois, 60101, U.S.A.

He always visits his daughter upon his return to the United States and stated that, if necessary, he can be located always through her.

He recalled that the young American did not have a suitcase and had either a small zipper bag or a small duffel bag. He was not certain about the latter.

He did not know whether the young American got off of the bus at Laredo Texas, and felt certain that he had stayed on the bus.



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When shown a photograph of OSWALD among other photographs, he immediately recognized the photograph and exclaimed that this was a photograph of OSWALD.

When asked how he knew this to be so, he stated that he has been a commercial artist all his life; that he is a member of the Academy of Fine Arts in Chicago, Illinois, and that he can recognize a face.

He did not state definitely that the young American on the bus was identical with OSWALD because he was not positive, but he remarked repeatedly that he was "the same general type."

When shown a standup photograph of OSWALD, he immediately exclaimed that the young American was "about the same size, the same type, and it seems to be," but he did not state positively that the young American was OSWALD.

He advised he wished he had been more observant about the young American on the bus.

He could not identify photographs of JOHN BOWEN, also known as ALBERT OSBORNE.

He stated that when he returned to Mexico following his departure by bus on October 2-3, 1963, he traveled by train to San Luis Potosi on or about November 30, 1963, and from San Luis Potosi traveled to San Miguel de Allende by bus.

He could not identify the photographs of JUAN MATEO DE CUBA and ADA FRANCISCA BISLIP DE CUBA.

He stated that the Mexican-American he talked to aboard the bus has a thinner face than that of JUAN MATEO DE CUBA and he repeated that the Mexican-American was a very nervous person.

He recalled that when the young American was taken off the bus, most passengers on the bus were sleeping.



He recalled that at the beginning of the trip at San Luis Potosi, there was some sort of discussion between a Mexican woman and the driver of the bus with regard to a seat number. He could not describe the Mexican woman nor the bus driver.

He was certain that no one he knows from San Miguel de Allende was aboard this bus.

He advised that he can be reached by telephone during the day only through RODOLFO PEREZ R, owner of the Auto Mercado Super Market, telephone number 33, located next door to 19 Calle Masones, San Miguel de Allende, Mexico, and he utilizes Post Office Box #200, San Miguel de Allende for receipt of mail.

He did not know the name of "the Mexican Immigration Inspector" who boarded the bus and took the young American temporarily off the bus, now the identity of the United States Customs Officer who spoke to the young American at Nuevo Laredo.

VOORHEES advised that he would continue to search his mind for any other possible details with regard to the above and if he was able to recall anything, he would contact the confidential source abroad.

The names of the following passengers on the passenger list of bus #340, October 2, 1963, of the Transportes Frontera, S.A. de C.V. bus line, as follows, were exhibited to VOORHEES and he was unable to recognize any of these names as persons he might know:

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JUANA
ANGEL GALLEGOS
SRA. MORALES



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ANGEL PEREZ
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SRA. AGUILAR
SRA. FRANCO
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The FM-5 #4325846 Mexican Tourist Card issued VOORHEES has typed toward the top the word "tren," meaning train, and this must have been typed on this form when VOORHEES entered Mexico by train, as he states he did.

It is apparent from VOORHEES! information above that he departed from Mexico via a Transportes del Norte bus and that the form FM-ll which shows VOORHEES' departure from Mexico by train is in error and that Mexican Immigration Service employee ALBERTO ARZ MENDI CHAPA, who handled VOORHEES' departure, was apparently at Kilometer 26 Check Station during his tour of duty from 12:00 midnight to 8:00 AM on October 3, 1963, and not at a railroad station.

An examination of Mexican Guia de Transportes
Aereos y Autotransportes de Mexico (Guide for Air Travel and
Automobile Transportation in Mexico), March 1964 issue, which
is an official publication in Spanish of airline and automobile
bus schedule in Mexico, reflects on page 19 that Transportes
del Norte, which connects with Greyhound Lines, Union Bus
Lines, Missouri Pacific Lines and Winter Garden Bus Lines,
between Canada and the United States and Mexico, has bus
stations located at Insurgentes #137 Sur, Mexico, D. F., and
Juan Mendez 1355, Monterrey, Nuevo Leon, Mexico. This guide
further reflects that in bus line schedule #18 for "Mexico Guadalajara - San Luis Potosi - Monterrey - Torreon, via
Central," on the daily departure of Transportes del Norte buses
leaving Mexico, D. F., VOORHEES must have traveled aboard the
bus which has the following listed schedule for departure on
page 19 of the above guide:



Leave Mexico, D. F., 8:30 AM; Arrive San Juan del Rio, Mexico, 10:45 AM; Leave San Juan del Rio, 10:45 AM;

Arrive Queretaro, Mexico, 11:25 AM; Leave Queretaro, Mexico, 11:25 AM;

Arrive San Luis Potosi, Mexico, 2:00 PM; Leave San Luis Potosi, Mexico, 2:20 PM;

Arrive Matchuala, Mexico, 4:45 PM; Leave Matchuala, Mexico, 4:45 PM;

Arrive Saltillo, Mexico, 7:55 PM; Leave Saltillo, Mexico, 8:00 PM;

Arrive Monterrey, Mexico, 10:30 PM; Leave Monterrey, Mexico, 11:00 PM;

Arrive Nuevo Laredo, Mexico, 1:30 AM.

The confidential source abroad advised that on March 30, 1964, VOORHEES furnished the following additional data by telephone from San Miguel de Allende:

He could not recognize the following names of non-Mexican tourists who departed from Mexico at Nuevo Laredo on October 3, 1963, as being identical with the Mexican-American and his wife who were aboard the bus with him:

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MANUEL CAPIZ
GUADALUPE CAPIZ
LAWRENCE LOPEZ
MARIA LUISA CRUZ DE LOPEZ
SALVADOR SEGOBIANO
MARIA SEGOBIANO
ROBERTO BALDAZO
DOLORES BALDAZO ROMERO
ROBERTO L. TARIN
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He stated that he would be unable to recall the Mexican-American's name and wondered now if he actually heard the name.

He could not recall if the Mexican-American is or is not a Mexican citizen, but stated that he could definitely recognize him again.

He described him as being in his late 50's, tall and slim, who was very well dressed, and his wife was very well dressed. One definite characteristic of the Mexican-American is that he was very nervous and smoked one cigarette after another.

He could not recall any further details and was apologetic for not being able to do so. He stated that if the incident regarding the foung American had happened during the day, he would have been more observant.



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March 31, 1964

LEE HARVEY OSWALD

BASIS FOR INQUIRY

The information set out below was made available by a confidential source abroad.

Licenciado (Attorney) RAFAEL HERNANDEZ OCHOA, Assistant Director of the Department of Immigration, Mexican Ministry of "Gobernacion" (Interior or Government), Mexico, D. F., Mexico, (D. F. refers to "Distrito Federal" - Federal District or the Mexican Federal Capital), made available for examination the original tourist cards surrendered by "aliens" Odeparting Mexico at Nuevo Laredo, State of Tamaulipas, as tourists on October 3, 1963

Among the tourist cards was one in the name of HERBERT ROBERT VOORHEES numbered FM-5 No. 4325846 and valid for 180 days' stay in Mexico. This tourist card was issued by the Mexican Immigration Service at Nuevo Laredo on June 5, 1963, and registered the following data: 1

x1340VOORHEES entered Mexico at Nuevo Laredo on June 5, 1963, by train with final destination designated as Mexico, D. F. He was described on the tourist card as a male, American citizen; 73 years of age; a widower; retired; born in Beloit, Wisconsin; residence, Overland Park, Kansas. He presented a birth certificate as proof of citizenship. This tourist card carries the typewritten Spanish word "tren" (meaning train), and the Mexican Immigration form FM-11 which constitutes a recapitulation of departures of tourists at Nuevo Laredo on October 3, 1963, records that VOORHEES departed from Mexico by railroad with the final destination of "Overland, P. K." The departure of VOORHEES from Mexico was Neclass fed 7/2/7 handled by Mexican Immigration Service employee ALBERTO

ARZAMENDI CHAPA.

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Since VOORHEES departed from Mexico during ALBERTO ARZAMENDI CHAPA's tour of duty between 12:00 midnight and 8:00 AM, October 3, 1963, he was located to determine whether or not he had observed LEE HARVEY OSWALD during his travel.

According to Mexican Immigration records, OSWALD had surrendered his tourist card at Nuevo Laredo to ARZAMENDI CHAPA between 12:00 midnight and 8:00 AM on the same date.

INTERVIEW OF HERBERT ROBERT VOORHEES

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A confidential source abroad stated that on March 26, 1964, HERBERT ROBERT VOORHEES was residing at Calle Masones No. 19, Apartment 10, San Miguel de Allende, State of Guanajuato, Mexico, and, upon being located next door to his residence, VOORHEES advised as follows:

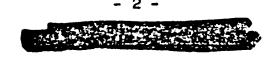
His true name is HERBERT FRANCIS VOORHEES, but for unknown reasons his name was listed incorrectly as HERBERT ROBERT VOORHEES on his birth certificate. He uses his true name as a commercial cartoonist.

Until six years ago, he had lived the greater part of his life in Chicago, Illinois, where for twelve years he had resided at the Lake Lane Apartments, 6214 Winthrop Street. He is a widower and for the last six years has traveled, primarily by train, to Mexico, where he has met several friendly Americans and artists in San Miguel de Allende.

He obtains a Mexican tourist card, valid for 180 days' stay in Mexico, which causes him to return to the United States every six months to have his status in Mexico as a tourist re-established for another 180-day period.

He explained that the train from Nuevo Laredo, State of Tamaulipas, Mexico, does not pass through San Miguel de Allende, and he leaves the train at San Luis Potosi, State of San Luis Potosi, Mexico, and travels to San Miguel de Allende by bus.

Initially, he stated he was 74 years of age, hard of hearing, and would have to stop to refresh his recollection





before he could be positive about anything which took place in the past, since he has difficulty remembering the exact details of his travels. He was positive that his last departure from Mexico was by bus and not by train.

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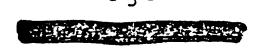
He affirmed initially that he last departed Mexico by "Greyhound bus" in the early part of October, 1963. He explained that it was a "Greyhound bus" in his mind because the bus on which he traveled in Mexico had "Greyhound dogs" painted on the sides, the ticket he purchased was a "Greyhound bus ticket," and his journey in the United States was continued on the Greyhound Bus Lines, but in Mexico the name of the bus company he used was Transportes del Norte. He entered Mexico by train some months prior to October 6, 1963, since by this date he had to leave Mexico to renew his tourist card.

At first he could not recall any information concerning the trip he repeatedly referred to as the one taken by him on the "Greyhound bus." He could not recall the exact date he entered Mexico at Nuevo Laredo by train from San Antonio, Texas, to which he proceeded from Kansas City, Kansas, via the "Katy Railroad Line," but he was certain that it was several months prior to October 6, 1963, when his Mexican tourist card would have expired.

By writing down the dates of trips made during 1963, he was able to recall that on or about October 2, 1963, he left San Miguel de Allende at 7:30 AM by "a second-class, yellow bus" for San Luis Potosi, where he arrived just before noon the same day.

At the Transportes del Norte bus station at San Luis Potosi he purchased a ticket straight through to San Antonio, Texas, because Transportes del Norte is affiliated with the Greyhound Bus Lines in the United States. He purchased a Greyhound bus ticket to San Antonio, Texas, which included transportation aboard a Transportes del Norte bus in Mexico. His travel to Nuevo Laredo was aboard a Transportes del Norte bus and from Laredo to San Antonio aboard a Greyhound bus.

After purchasing his ticket, he ate lunch and left San Luis Potosi on a Transportes del Norte bus at about 2:40 PM on October 2, 1963.



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He did not know his ticket number, could not recall if his name was registered on a passenger list, and did not know whether or not the bus he boarded had proceeded from Mexico, D. F., to San Luis Potosi. He saw the bus arrive at the bus station at San Luis Potosi but did not remember whether or not passengers were aboard.

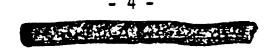
He and other passengers boarded the bus at the Transportes del Norte bus station in San Luis Potosi. He assumed the bus he boarded was made up at this city because "it smelled clean." He stated he did not count them, but there were at least four passengers on the bus and probably several more. He did not notice any other Americans aboard the bus.

The bus arrived at Laredo, Texas, at approximately 2:00 AM, October 3, 1963. While aboard the bus at Nuevo Laredo, State of Tamaulipas, Mexico, he had inquired if it would be possible with his type of bus ticket to leave the bus at Laredo, Texas, and later proceed to San Antonio, Texas. He was told that he could take a Greyhound bus at any time later with the "Greyhound bus ticket" which he had purchased. He was emphatic that after he went through U. S. Customs and U. S. Immigration at Laredo, Texas, he reboarded the bus and, at his request, was allowed to disembark from the bus alone on one of the streets in Laredo in order that he could proceed to the Southland Hotel. He could not recall exactly where U. S. Customs and U. S. Immigration are located in Laredo. After resting at the Southland Hotel, he went to the Greyhound bus depot in Laredo that same day and boarded a Greyhound bus, using his through ticket to San Antonio, Texas.

He was very certain that the bus stopped in Mexico at about 1:00 AM on October 3, 1963, at the "Mexican Immigration check station about twelve miles from the Mexican-American border," the lights in the bus were turned on, and a Mexican Immigration official boarded the bus to check each passenger's identification and travel documents.

VOORHEES First Notices American

At this point the Mexican Immigration official ushered a young American man off the bus. This was the first



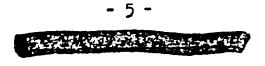
time VOORHEES realized an American was on the bus. He described the American as about 20 years of age, five feet nine inches tall, not heavy, of medium build, clean-shaven, bareheaded, coatless, and cleanly attired in shirt, slacks, and shoes. VOORHEES recalled that he had considered the American lightly clad, since he did not wear a coat during the cool night. VOORHEES repeatedly stated "he was not a beatnik." The American was carrying one small bag, either a zipper bag or a small duffel bag. VOORHEES was unable to describe the exact type of bag but was certain the American did not have a suitcase.

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VOORHEES was certain he sat on the right side of the bus because he habitually sits on the right side, looking forward. He remembered that he did not sit toward the front or back but somewhere in the middle of the bus.

During the trip VOORHEES talked with a "Mexican-American" man who sat across the aisle from him. The Mexican-American, whom he remembered as a middle-aged, thin-faced man who spoke both English and Spanish well, said he was going to the United States, but VOORHEES could recall neither his destination nor his name. The Mexican-American was traveling on the bus with his wife and VOORHEES believed he was returning to "his business" in the United States. He gave the impression of being very nervous, smoking one cigarette after another. VOORHEES did not know whether the Mexican-American is a Mexican or a United States citizen. During the trip VOORHEES discussed with the Mexican-American the fact that he, VOORHEES, is a commercial artist.

When the American was taken off the bus, he was taken from the back of the bus to the front, and the Mexican-American remarked to VOORHEES that the American was having trouble over his papers. VOORHEES remembered clearly that when the young American was taken off the bus most of the passengers on the bus were sleeping, and he also recalled that at the beginning of the trip at San Luis Potosi there was some sort of discussion between a Mexican woman and the driver of the bus with regard to a seat number. He could describe neither the Mexican woman nor the bus driver. He was certain that he was not acquainted with anyone aboard the bus.



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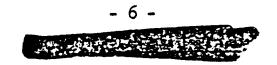
He recalled that, when the American returned to the bus and walked to the back of it, he mumbled in good English, in a grumbling manner, something like, "My papers were in order before and I don't know why they bother me now - they took my pass before." This was the first time VOORHEES had noticed the American, and he could not state when the latter first boarded the bus. He had the impression the American could not speak Spanish and presumed the American was taken off the bus to the "check station office" where someone must have spoken to him in English.

He clearly recalled seeing the American at the U. S. Customs checking station in Laredo, Texas, at about 1:30 AM, October 3, 1963, when a Mexican woman's luggage was being examined and the young American was standing by. The American was trying to dispose of a banana by eating it hurriedly, "gulping it down," and he was told by a Customs officer that he could carry the banana into the United States and did not have to gulp it down so fast.

When asked if he had talked with or been near the American, VOORHEES stated he was not near the young American at any time during the bus trip or while checking through U. S. Customs at Laredo.

VOORHEES did not recall seeing the American again after he saw him at the U. S. Customs checking station in Laredo and could only presume that the American returned to the bus when all passengers left the checking station and reboarded the bus. VOORHEES left the bus at Laredo by himself when the bus driver let him off on an unknown street with an unscheduled stop at about 2:00 AM, October 3, 1963. He believed that all other passengers remained on the bus until it reached its scheduled destination, which he presumed to be the Greyhound bus depot in Laredo.

After refreshing his recollection about the bus trip from San Luis Potosi to Nuevo Laredo, he was certain the bus arrived at Monterrey, State of Nuevo Leon, Mexico, at about 11:00 PM on October 2, 1963, and all passengers had to change to a smaller bus of the same bus line, Transportes del Norte, to proceed to Nuevo Laredo. He did not see the American





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during this change of buses and did not recall seeing him prior to the "check station stop at the 26 kilometer point before arrival at Nuevo Laredo." He believed that some passengers other than those who traveled from San Luis Potosi had boarded the bus at Monterrey, but was not certain of this.

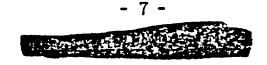
when shown a photograph of OSWALD among other photographs, he immediately recognized the photograph and exclaimed that this was a photograph of OSWALD. When asked how he knew this to be so, he stated he has been a commercial artist all his life, is a member of the Academy of Fine Arts in Chicago, Illinois, and can recognize a face.

He repeated that he was unable to conclude definitely that the young American aboard the bus was OSWALD, stating he could not be positive, but he affirmed strongly that the American was "the same general type" as OSWALD. VOORHEES then said, "How do you like that, if that was OSWALD on that bus and I didn't know it."

When shown a full-length, front-view photograph of OSWALD, he immediately exclaimed that the young American was "about the same size, the same type, and it seems to be him," but VOORHEES would not state positively that the young American was OSWALD, pointing out that he could not make a definite identification of someone he saw only momentarily several months earlier. He was emphatic that there was every similarity between the photographs shown to him and his recollection of the young American aboard the bus but he would not be more definite in connection therewith. He expressed the wish that he had been more observant of the young American on the bus.

He attempted to recall other details about the trip to assist in determining whether or not the young American was identical with OSWALD, but he was unable to do so. He stated that, if he were able to recall any other possible details with regard to the above, he would contact the source.

He could not recall any further details of his trip and the young American and was apologetic for not being able to do so. He stated that, if the incident regarding the



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young American at the "Mexican Immigration check station" had happened during the day, he would have sketched the young American's face, as he generally does when there is an incident, and, had he done so, others could have decided whether or not the young American was identical with OSWALD.

Addresses For VOORHEES

VOORHEES explained that on this occasion he took the bus to make desirable train connections to Kansas City, Kansas, traveling by train from San Antonio, Texas, to Kansas City and from there to the home of his daughter, Mrs. NANCY M. TOUHY, 886 West Army Trail Road, Addison, Illinois, 60101. Upon his return to the United States, he visits his daughter and can be located through her at any time.

He advised that when he is at San Miguel de Allende he can be reached by telephone during the day through RODOLFO PEREZ R., owner of the Auto Mercado Super Market, telephone number 33, which is located next door to Calle Masones No. 19, San Miguel de Allende, State of Guanajuato, Mexico, and he utilizes Post Office Box No. 200, San Miguel de Allende, for receipt of mail.

Efforts to Identity Other Passengers

VOORHEES could not identify photographs of JOHN BOWEN, also known as ALBERT OSBORNE. (JOHN BOWEN was a passenger aboard a bus operated by "Servicios Unidos Autobuses Blancos, Flecha Roja, S. A. de C. V." (The Unified Services of White Autobuses Red Arrow, Incorporated) on which OSWALD traveled from Laredo, Texas, to Mexico, D. F., on September 26-27, 1963.)

VOORHEES also was unable to identify the photographs of JUAN MATEO DE CUBA and ADA FRANCISCA BISLIP DE LE CUBA. (JUAN MATEO DE CUBA and his wife, ADA FRANCISCA BISLIP DE DE CUBA, were among the "aliens" who surrendered their tourist cards to Mexican Immigration upon their departure from Mexico at Nuevo Laredo on October 3, 1963, between 12:00 midnight and 8:00 AM.)





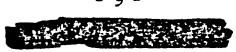
According to VOORHEES, the Mexican-American he talked with aboard the bus en route to Nuevo Laredo had a thinner face than that of JUAN MATEO DE CUBA.

The names of the following individuals on the passenger list of Bus No. 340 of the "Transportes Frontera, S. A. de C. V.," bus line for October 2, 1963, were exhibited to VOORHEES and he was unable to recognize any of these names as persons he might know:

FCO. SAUCEDO OSWLD (OSWALD) Sra. LANDEROS ANDRIAN HERNANDEZ JUANA ANGEL GALLEGOS Sra. MORALES NICOLAS GONZALEZ RAFAEL FLORES GAUTIER ? (GANSTINE) ANGEL PEREZ ANTONIO CAZAREZ Sra. AGUILAR Sra. FRANCO CONSTANTINO GARCIA ELIASAR GONZALEZ CONSTANTINO GARCIA YNIGNES (INIQUEZ)

As noted above, the FM-5 No. 4325846 Mexican tourist card issued to VOORHEES has the word "tren" (train) typed toward the top, which must have been typed on this form when VOORHEES entered Mexico by train with this card, as he states he did.

The foregoing information from VOORHEES fully clarifies that he departed from Mexico on October 3, 1963, via a Transportes del Norte bus, and the FM-11 data to the effect that his exit from Mexico was by train is in error. This is further verified by the fact that Mexican Immigration employee ALBERTO ARZAMENDI CHAPA, who handled VOORHEES' departure, was at the Kilometer 26 highway checking station





during his tour of duty from 12:00 midnight to 8:00 AM on October 3, 1963, and not at a railroad station.

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An examination of the March, 1964, issue of the Mexican "Guia de Transportes Aereo y Autotransportes de Mexico" (Guide for Air Travel and Automobile Transportation in Mexico), which is described as the "official publication in Spanish of airline and automobile bus schedules in Mexico, " reflects on page nineteen that Transportes del Norte, which connects with Greyhound Lines, Union Bus Lines, Missouri Pacific Lines, and Winter Garden Bus Lines, between Canada and the United States and Mexico, has bus terminals located at Insurgentes No. 137 Sur, Mexico, D. F., and Juan Mendez No. 1355, Monterrey, Nuevo Leon, Mexico. This guide further reflects bus schedule No. 18 for "Mexico-Guadalajara-San Luis Potosi-Monterrey-Torreon, via Central (highway), with daily departures of Transportes del Norte buscs from Mexico, D. F. From a review thereof, it appears that VOORHEES must have traveled aboard the bus which follows the schedule recorded on page nineteen of the above guide and is copied hereinunder:

Leave Mexico, D. F., 8:30 AM

Arrive San Juan del Rio, Mexico, 10:45 AM Leave San Juan del Rio, Mexico, 10:45 AM

Arrive Queretaro, Mexico, 11:25 AM Leave Queretaro, Mexico, 11:25 AM

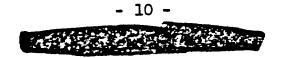
Arrive San Luis Potosi, Mexico, 2:00 PM Leave San Luis Potosi, Mexico, 2:20 PM

Arrive Matehuala, Mexico, 4:45 PM Leave Matehuala, Mexico, 4:45 PM

Arrive Saltillo, Mexico, 7:55 PM Leave Saltillo, Mexico, 8:00 PM

Arrive Monterrey, Mexico, 9:30 Fill Leave Monterrey, Mexico, 10:00 PM

Arrive Nuevo Laredo, Mexico, 1:30 AM





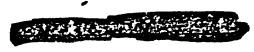
The foregoing passenger list of Bus No. 340 of the "Transportes Frontera, S. A. de C. V.," bus line for October 2, 1963, was exhibited to VOORHEES for the purpose of establishing that he was correct in his statement that he traveled via Transportes del Norte bus line and that he was not confused with travel on a Transportes Frontera bus line. JUAN MATEO DE CUBA and ADA FRANCISCA BISLIP DE DE CUBA had been interviewed previously and recalled a "young American" who traveled with them on the bus and who had experienced some trouble making himself intelligible to a Mexican border official. They had stated that they believed their travel was by a Transportes Frontera bus, although subsequent inquiry established that they had traveled on the same Transportes del Norte bus as VOORHEES.

The confidential source abroad advised that on March 30, 1964, VOORHEES furnished the following additional data by telephone from San Miguel de Allende:

He was unable to recognize the following names of tourists who departed from Mexico at Nuevo Laredo on October 3, 1963, as being identical with the Mexican-American and wife who were aboard the bus with him:

AGAPITO DEL RIO
MANUEL CAPIZ
GUADALUPE CAPIZ
LAWRENCE LOPEZ
MARIA LUISA CRUZ DE LOPEZ
SALVADOR SEGOBIANO
MARIA SEGOBIANO
ROBERTO BALDAZO
DOLORES BALDAZO ROMERO
ROBERT L. TARIN
ELISABETH TARIN

He stated he had tried to recall the Mexican-American's name and had been unable to do so. He described him as being in his late fifties, tall, slender, and very well-dressed and his wife as also being very well-dressed.



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DIRECTOR, FBI (105-82555)

DATE:

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SUBJECT:

LEE HARVEY OSWALD, aka IS - R - CUBA

ENCLOSURES

Enclosed herewith to the Bureau are 12 copies of a letterhead memorandum dated and captioned as above.

REFERENCES:

Mexico City airtel and letterhead memorandum dated 2/27/64; Bureau cables #6 and #8 dated 3/24/64; Mexico City cable #499 dated 3/25/64; Bureau cable #13 dated 3/27/64; Mexico City cable #504 dated 3/27/64.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

Bureau cable #6 dated 3/24/64 set forth information concerning J. M. DE CUBA and his wife, who believed that they traveled to Nuevo Laredo, Mexico, via Transportes Frontera bus line.

Inasmuch as J. M. DE CUBA and his wife recall that a young American who rode on the bus with them had trouble making himself intelligible to a Mexican border official, it is possible that this incident is the same as that furnished by HERBERT FRANCIS VOORHEES (TN) in the enclosure and it is possible that the DE CUBAS were traveling on a Transportes del Norte bus line with VOORHEES. REC- 31 3705-82555

Bureau cable #13 dated 3/27/64 has instructed that Mexico City Office check manifests of Transportes del Norte lines for buses leaving Mexico City on 10/2/63 and this is

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being carried out, together with the specific lead set out herein to make a similar check at Monterrey, Nuevo Leon, Mexico, since there is the possibility that OSWALD could have boarded a bus at Monterrey, as well as any other stop-off points between Mexico City and Monterrey.

Mexico City letterhead memorandum dated 2/27/64, page 12, set forth the information obtained from FM-5 #4325846, Mexican tourist visa regarding the departure of HERBERT ROBERT VOORHEES.

VOORHEES was located in San Miguel de Allende, State of Guanajuato, Mexico, through WILLIAM STIRLING DICKINSON, Director of Instituto Allende - School of Arts, Crafts, Writing and Spanish, residence Los Pocitos, San Miguel de Allende, State of Guanajuato, Mexico, telephone number 149. DICKINSON does not know the reason for the contact with VOORHEES, who advised that he would keep this contact confidential.

It is noted that VOORHEES, when interviewed, appeared to be very hard of hearing and apparently, because of his age, he found it difficult to remember exact details. Many times he had to stop and attempt to refresh his recollection before he answered a question.

enclosure is probably identical with the one mentioned by J. M. DE CUBA and his wife, it should be noted that only two persons departed during the tour of duty of ALBERTO ARZAMENDI CHAPA who possibly could fit the description of the young man. These two persons are OSWALD himself and the French student, PHILIPPE PITER E. VAN DER VORM, mentioned on page 15 of referenced Mexico City letterhead memorandum dated 2/27/64.

It is suggested in the above consideration that the Bureau may desire to instruct the Legat, Paris, to endeavor to locate VAN DER VORM immediately through his French passport to identify him as the described young American in the enclosure or to eliminate him as the person described by VOORHEES and the DE CUBAS.

Consideration has been given to the possibility

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that AGAPITO DEL RIO, mentioned on the bottom of page 9 and the top of page 10 in referenced Mexico City letterhead memorandum dated 2/27/64, is identical with the Mexican-American described by VOORHEES in the enclosure because DEL RIO's departure was handled by ALBERTO ARZAMENDI CHAPA. There is no listing of DEL RIO having a wife traveling with him as a non-Mexican tourist and it could be possible that, if DEL RIO had a wife traveling with him, she might be a Mexican National and as such would not be listed as a non-Mexican carrying a tourist visa.

It is suggested in this consideration that the San Antonio Office may, if it has not done so already, locate DEL RIO immediately to establish if he is the Mexican-American aboard the Transportes del Norte bus who talked with VOORHEES and saw the young American described in the enclosure.

SOURCE:

The confidential source abroad referred to in the enclosure is SA FREDERICK E. RODERICK, who interviewed HERPERT ROBERT VOORHEES, aka Herbert Francis Voorhees (TN), on 3/26/64 at the Infierno (Hell) Apartments, 19 Calle Masones (Street), Apartment 10, San Miguel de Allende, State of Guanajuato, Mexico.

CLASSIFICATION:

The enclosed letterhead memorandum has been classified "CONFIDENTIAL" in order to protect the Bureau's operations in a foreign country.

COPIES:

Two copies of the enclosed letterhead memorandum are being submitted for the Dallas Office as the domestic office of origin.

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LEADS:

MEXICO CITY

At Monterrey, Nuevo Leon, Mexico:

Will contact Transportes del Norte bus line at Juan Mendez 1355 (telephone numbers 3-42-80 and 3-42-81) to obtain any record of a passenger manifest for the bus which arrived at Monterrey at approximately 10:30 FM and departed at 11:00 PM on 10/2/63 en route from Mexico, D. F., to Nuevo Laredo, to determine if OSWALD's name is on this manifest and to identify the American described in the enclosure.

At Mexico, D. F., Mexico:

- at Insurgentes #137 Sur (telephones 35-50-84 and 46-00-32) to obtain any record of the passenger manifest for the bus which left Mexico, D. F., at 8:30 AM on 10/2/63 en route to Nuevo Laredo via San Luis Potosi and Monterrey to determine if OSWALD's name is on this manifest and to identify the American described in the enclosure.
- (2) Will continue to vigorously and immediately handle all investigation growing out of leads in this case and to report the results promptly.

3/31/64 DATE:

REFERENCES

Bucab dated 3/24/64; Mexico City letter and letterhead memorandum dated 3/12/64.

ENCLOSURES

In accordance with Bureau instructions in Bucab of reference, there are enclosed herewith the following items for examination by the Laboratory:

A form of "Transportes Frontera" bus line which is used as a passenger manifest, reservations and ticket sales record, on which the date "2 Oct 1963" has been stamped with the date stamp used by the ticket salesman of that /ompany at the Mexico City terminal, FRANCISCO ALVARADO.

- One block of forms for "Transportes Frontera" bus line which allegedly were used in connection with the operations of that company during most with of the month of October, 1963.
- Q332, the original or questioned manifest dated with October 2, 1963, is being submitted herewith for purposes of comparison.

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BACKGROUND DATA

Item #2 described above was located by "Transportes Frontera" ticket salesman and dispatcher, FRANCISCO ALVARADO, on a lower shelf in the Mexico City baggage terminal of that company. He stated that he believed that the questioned manifest, Q332, was located by the manager of the terminal, GILBERTO LOZANO GUIZAR, and torn from the block of forms for delivery to the Mexican authorities who retrieved it // at the bus terminal.

ALVARADO explained that a date stamp is not always placed on the manifest, but he sometimes stamps the manifest in order to check the date before using the date stamp to date various sections of a ticket which is being sold. He stated that he usually makes a notation on the bottom center of the form to indicate the hour of departure, such as "13" for one o'clock and "21" for nine o'clock, and to the right thereof writes the date for which the reservations list and ticket sales record is being prepared.

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It is requested that the Laboratory compare the series of date stamps on item #1 above with the date stamp which appears on Q332, to determine whether or not it was made with the same date stamp.

It is requested that the Laboratory compare handwriting, format and appearance of the block of manifests described under item #2 with Q332 to determine, if possible, whether or not the latter can be determined to be an authentic document. 4-3 (Rev. 4-17-63)

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LEE HARVEY OSWALD, IS - R - CUBA.

FOLLOWING IS DAILY SUMMARY.

RE TRANSPORTES FRONTERA BUS LINE. MANAGER MEXICO CITY TERMINAL FOREGOING COMPANY, GILBERTO LOZANO, ADVISED MANIFEST FOR OCTOBER 2 LAST LOCATED BY HIM FOR

WHO COMPLETED HEADINGS UNDER DIRECTIONS OF LOZANO AND TICKET SALESMAN FRANCISCO ALVARADO. BOTH ATTEST TO AUTHENTICITY OF MANIFEST. EFFORTS BEING MADE TO LOCATE AND INTERVIEW BOSCH.

RE PASSENGERS DEPARTING NUEVO LAREDO OCTOBER 3 LAST.

RECORDS- OF AUTO VIAJES TOURIST AGENCY REFLECT PASSENGER WHO HELD TICKET FOR TRANSPORTES DEL NORTE BUS OF OCTOBER 2 ON WHICH DE CUBAS AND HERBERT ROBERT VOORHEES WERE PASSENGERS WAS ANATACIO RUIZ MEZA, WHO PURCHASED TICKET TO CHICAGO. INQUIRIES CONTINUING.

RE JOHN HOWARD BOWEN, AKA ALBERT OSBORNE. AMERICAN EXPRESS COMPANY SOURCE ADVISED BOWEN CASHED CHECK THAT COMPANY TODAY, AND MEXICAN IMMIGRATION AUTHORITIES ADVISED OF HIS PRESENCE IN MEXICO IN VIEW OF HIS QUESTIONABLE DOCUMENTATION FOR RESIDENCE. LEGAT WILL DETERMINE ACTION BY MEXICAN IMMIGRATION THIS MATTER.

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TO LEGAT MEXICO CITY (105-3702)

FROM DIRECTOR FRI (105-82555)

LEE HARVEY OSWALD, IS - R - CUBA.

REUECAB NUMBER FIVE ZERO EIGHT. PRESS INQUIRY TO IDENTIFY
THE TWO TICKETS ON WHICH THE TWO UNIDENTIFIED PASSENGERS TRAVELED
TO NUEVO LAREDO ON OCTOBER TWO DASH THREE LAST VIA DEL MORTE LINE
BUS. ALSO ASCERTAIN HOW THESE TICKETS WERE ACQUIRED. BUREAU IS
PARTICULARLY INTERESTED IN DETERMINING IF TICKETS IN QUESTION
MAY HAVE BEEN THE TWO UNACCOUNTED DASH FOR TICKETS OF TRANSPORTES
FRONTERA LINE REFERRED TO IN BUREAU CABLE MARCH TWENTY SEVEN LAST.
ENDEAVOR TO IDENTIFY TRAVEL AGENCY INVOLVED IN ACQUISITION OF THE
TICKET OR TICKETS USED BY UNIDENTIFIED PASSENGERS ON DEL MORTE
LINE TRIP TO NUEVO LAREDO OCTOBER TWO DASH THREE LAST.

REFER TO YOUR CABLE NUMBER FOUR SIX SIX. ASCERTAIN IF JUANA LANDEROS GARCIA MAY HAVE TRAVELED TO NUEVO LAREDO VIA FRONTERA LINE BUS ON NOVEMBER ONE LAST.

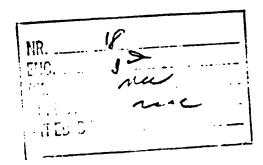
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CABLE TO LEGAT, MEXICO (105-3702)
RE: LEE HARVLY OSWALD
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NOTE: It now appears likely that Oswald left Mexico City morning of 10-2-63 by Del Norte Line bus after acquiring ticket thru a travel agency for travel on Frontera Line bus. One witness aboard Del Norte bus recalls young American who resembled Oswald having difficulty with Mexican Immigration Inspector at immigration check point on early morning 10-3-63. Necessary to press inquiry re travel agency and to identify the tickets used by unknown passengers on Del Norte bus for, if we can show these tickets are the two consecutively numbered tickets which are missing from span of 11 tickets used by 9 passengers on the Frontera bus trip, this will tend to establish that Oswald and one Angel Perez, whose names were manifested on the Frontera Line, but for whom no tickets were recorded, were actually the people who traveled on the Del Norte bus.



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Memorandum

TO : Director, F I (105-82555)

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DATE: 4/1/64

FROM Legat, Mexico City (105-3702) (P)

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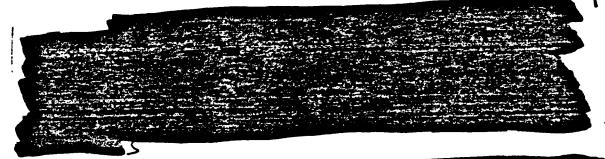
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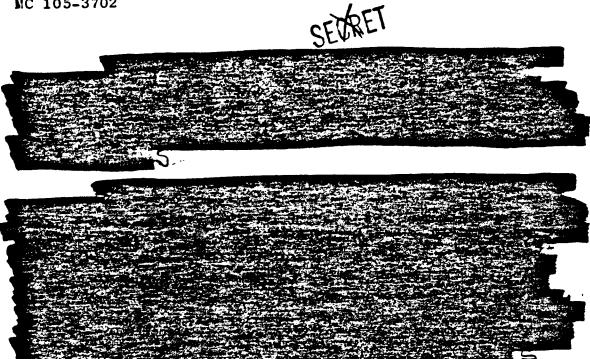
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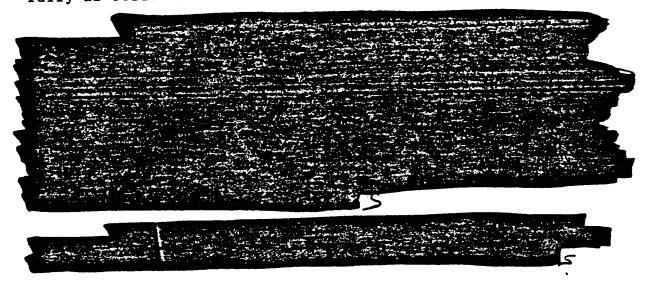
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FROM LEGAT MEXICO CITY

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BUFILE 105-82555. | LEE HARVEY OSWALD, IIS IS DAILY SUMMARY.

REBUCAB NUMBER 18 AND ALLEGATIONS OSWALD'S TIME OF DEPARTURE FROM MEXICO. TRANSPORTES DEL NORTE BUS LINE PASSENGER LIST FOR 8:30 AM TRIP OF OCTOBER 2 LAST, WHICH INCLUDES NAME OF J. M. DE CUBA AND VAN DER VORM, AND ON WHICH HERBERT ROBERT VOORHEES CLAIMED TO HAVE TRAVELED FROM SAN LUIS POTOSI TO LAREDO, REFLECTS SALE OF SEAT NUMBER 12 TO "CHIHUAHUENSES" FOR TRAVEL TO LAREDO. NO RECORD LOCATED AT CHIHUAHUENSES BUS LINE, BUT TRAVEL AGENCY AFFILIATED THEREWITH CALLED AGENCIA VIAJES TRANSPORTES CHIHUA-HUENSES LOCATED RECORD OF RESERVATION FOR SEAT 12 AND SALE OF TICKET EXCHANGE ORDER THEREFOR TO "H. O. LEE." ALSO LOCATED WAS COPY OF GREYHOUND INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGE ORDER NUMBER 43599 IS-SUED TO H. O. LEE ON OCTOBER 1 FOR TRANSPORTATION BY GREYHOUND FROM LAREDO TO DALLAS. ABOVE TRANSACTION AT TRAVEL AGENCY HANDLED BY ROLANDO BARRIOS WHO NO LONGER IS EMPLOYEE AND HAS NOT BEEN LOCATED FOR INTERVIEW. NOTED THAT SUBJECT'S TOURIST CARD BEARS NAME AS LEE, HARVEY OSWALD, AND SPANISH SPEAKING PERSON WOULD WRITE NAME, AS H. O. LEE. TICKET SALESMAN AT TRANSPORTES DEL NORTE, LANGET CURIEL | DOES NOT RECALL SUBJECT BUT AFFIRMS PASSENGER LIST CONFIRMS TICKET WAS UTILIZED, TO LOCATE AND INTERVIEW BARRIOS, LOCATE

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FROM LEGAT MEXICO CITY

NO. 515

DRIVERS AT MAIN OFFICE IN MONTERREY AND IDENTIFY OTHER PASSENGERS ON BUS. LHM IN PREPARATION.

SOURCE AT TRAVEL AGENCY ADVISES ORIGINAL OF ABOVE-MENTIONED GREYHOUND EXCHANGE ORDER SHOULD BE AVAILABLE AT WESTERN GREYHOUND LINES, 371 MARKET STREET, SAN FRANCISCO, AND THAT THOSE RECORDS MAY CONFIRM ACTUAL TRAVEL BY H. O. LEE FROM LAREDO TO DALLAS. SUGGEST BUREAU INSTRUCT SAN FRANCISCO TO INVESTIGATE THIS POS-SIBILITY.

IN VIEW OF ABOVE DEVELOP-RE ALLEGATION TRANSPORTES FRONTERA. MENTS IN CONNECTION WITH TRANSPORTES DEL NORTE BUS, UACB, LEADS RELATED WITH FRONTERA BUS LINE WILL BE HELD IN ABEYANCE. INFORMATION OF BUREAU CONSTANTINO AND ALICIA AMPARO GARCIA ADVISED TODAY THAT THEY TRAVELED TO LAREDO ON FRONTERA BUS OF OCTOBER 2 LAST AND ENTERED UNITED STATES OCTOBER 3. THEY DID NOT RECALL AMERICAN ON THAT TRIP BUT BELIEVE AMERICAN HAD TRAVELED ON TRIP THEY INITIATED ON SAME BUS LINE ON OCTOBER 23 LAST.

RE CHECK OF FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS. LHM RELATING TO FORE-GOING SUBMITTED UNDER DATE OF MARCH 9 LAST. ADDITIONAL SUMMARY TOMORROW

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To:

Director, FBI (105-82555)

Date: 4/2/64

From: Legat, Mexico (105-3702) (P)

Subject: LEE HARVEY OSWALD, aka
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ENCLOSURES

Enclosed herewith are two copies each of the following documents

- Reservations and passenger list for Transportes del Norte" bus No. 332, from Mexico City to Laredo, which departed Mexico City at 8:30 a.m., 10/2/63.
- 2. Ticket Purchase Order of the Transportes
 Chihuahuenses Travel Agency, Mexico City,
 issued to Mr. H. O. LEE for "one seat from
 Mexico to Laredo, Tex." for October 2, 1963.
- Greyhound International Exchange Order issued by Transportes Chihuahuenses Travel Agency,
 Mexico City, on October 1, 1963, to H. O. LEE,
 for travel from Laredo, Texas, to Dallas, Texas.
- International Sales Report for period from October 1, 1963, to October 31, 1963, by the above-mentioned travel agency in Mexico City to Western Greyhound Lines, San Francisco, California, reflecting the sale of transportation from Laredo, Texas, to Dallas, Texas, to
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"Mr. H. O. LEE" with Exchange Order No. 43599.

REFERENCE

Mexico City cable No. 515, dated 4/1/64.

BACKGROUND DATA

On 3/30/64, Mr. RICARDO BELTRAN MEDINA, Manager of the Mexico City terminal of the "Transportes del Norte" bus line, Avenida Insurgentes Sur 137, advised that after a lengthy search of documents and files of that office, he had located the passenger manifest for the 8:30 a.m., 10/2/63, trip of that bus line between Mexico City and Laredo, Texas.

Examination of that list failed to disclose the name of LEE HARVEY OSWALD or his known aliases; however, it was observed that seats Nos. 12 and 15 were designated as having been reserved for "Chihuahuenses" and "A. Viajes" respectively. Mr. MEDINA stated the foregoing were seats reserved either for other bus lines or travel agencies.

A check of the Mexico City travel agency Auto Viajes, Calle Lafragua No. 4, failed to develop any information concerning the subject.

On 4/1/64, the superintendent of the Mexico City terminal of the bus line Transportes Chihuahuenses, Inc., Mr. MACLOVIO PORTILLO G., advised that he had no record of the sale of space on a Transportes del Norte bus line for 10/2/63, but suggested that a travel agency which is affiliated with his bus line and is known as Agencia de Viajes Transportes Chihuahuenses, Inc. might possibly have that information.

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On 4/1/64, Miss TERESA SCHAEFFER B., the General Manager of the foregoing travel agency, which is located at Paseo de la Reforma 52, Room 5, advised that her office would not be able to locate a record of the sale of a ticket on the basis of the meager information appearing on the Transportes del Norte passenger manifest. She agreed, however, to make a search of her files and records for any transactions in the latter part of September or early October, 1963, and in so doing located the two exchange orders described under Enclosures as Item No. 2 and Item No. 3.

Miss SCHAEFFER advised that her records disclosed that her company had paid the Transportes del Norte bus line for the transportation and also had made payment for the transportation of "H. O. LEE" from Laredo, Texas, to Dallas, Texas, to the Western Greyhound Lines, 371 Market Street, San Francisco 5, California. She expressed the opinion that a record of that transaction and confirmation that the passenger actually traveled from Laredo to Dallas might be located at the Western Greyhound Lines offices.

Miss SCHAEFFER related that the transaction with M.O. LEE had been handled by a former employee, ROLANDO BARRIOS, who was dismissed from the agency on charges of embezzlement of funds. She stated, however, that BARRIOS continued to reside in Mexico City and was making payment to her company in connection with his alleged embezzlement. She stated that she would make an effort to locate BARRIOS for interview.

On 4/1/64, ANGEL CURIEL, ticket salesman for Transportes del Norte bus line, advised that the handwriting on the passenger manifest referred to above for 10/2/63 appearing under "Destination" and 'Ticket Number" is his and indicates that he had actually issued the ticket to the passenger for that seat. He stated that the handwriting with respect to "name of passenger" which is filled in with the word "Chihuahuenses" is that of his colleague, MIGUEL/SAUCEDO, who undoubtedly received the telephonic reservation for the seat from the travel agency.

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Mr. MEDINA advised that the drivers of the 10/2/63 bus were ROGELIO CUEVAS and RAMON GONZALEZ and mentioned that they reside in Monterrey Nuevo Leon. He stated that the sections of the bus ticket for that trip, #13688, for seat No. 12, should be on file in the company's main office at Monterrey.

The foregoing information is being provided in order to report the details of developments concerning OSWALD's mode of transportation from Mexico City to Dallas, inasmuch as it is felt that additional investigation will be required in order to definitely confirm whether or not OSWALD made that travel as "H. O. LEE" under the circumstances described above.

The Bureau is requested to furnish one copy each of the enclosures to the Dallas office.

LEADS

MEXICO CITY OFFICE

At Mexico, D. F.

Will locate and interview ROLANDO BARRIOS concerning the sale of transportation to "H. O. LEE" for 10/2/63 travel to Laredo and Dallas.

Will endeavor to identify additional passengers whose names appear on the above-described passenger manifest, in an effort to locate and interview them to determine whether or not they recall OSWALD.

Will submit a letterhead memorandum for dissemination recording results of investigation of OSWALD's means of travel upon his departure from Mexico.

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At Monterrey, Nuevo Leon

Will locate and interview bus drivers ROSELIO CUEVAS and RAMON GONZALEZ to determine if they recall subject or any circumstances concerning travel of the occupant of seat No. 12.

Will endeavor to locate the ticket stubs for ticket No. 13688 for seat No. 12 on 10/2/63.