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TO DIRECTOR AND SAC DALLAS

FROM SAC, PHOENIX 105-1529

LEE HARVEY OSWALD, IS - R. OO DALLAS

JUAN E. ACOSTA, SIXTY YEARS, FOUR THREE NINE SOUTH BELLVIEW, MESA ARIZONA, ON THIS DATE ADVISED SA HENRY F. GRADY THAT HE LEFT MESA, ARIZ. NOV. ELEVEN LAST ENROUTE TO AGUASCALIENTES, AGD. MEXICO VIA PERSONAL CAR TO VISIT RELATIVES. ON NOV. FOURTEEN ABOUT FIVE PM MET UNKNOWN BOY TEN TO TWELVE YRS. ON STREET AND BOY ASKED HIM IF HE WAS FROM DALLAS TEXAS. ACOSTA STATED NO AND TOLD BOY THAT CAR LICENSE REFLECTED HE WAS FROM ARIZONA. YOUNG BOY REPORTEDLY TOLD ACOSTA THAT PRESIDENT KENNEDY WAS GOING TO BE SHOT BY LEO OSWALD WHO HAD BEEN IN JAIL IN RUSSIA AND RELEASED TO RETURN TO THE UNITED STATES IF HE WOULD KILL THE PRESIDENT. ACOSTA STATED HE ASKED THE BOY WHO TOLD HIM ABOUT THIS AND THE BOY STATED HE HAD " JUST HEARD THIS " ACOSTA ASKED THE SECOND TIME THE NAME OF THE PERSON WHO TOLD HIM SUCH INFORMATION AND THE SECOND TIME THE BOY TOLD HIM HE DIDNOT KNOW BUT HAD " JUST HEARD THIS ". ACOSTA HAD A RECEIPT IN HIS POCKET REFLECTING HE SPENT NIGHT IN PARIS HOTEL NOV. FOURTEEN LAST. IN AGUASCALIENTES, MEXICO AND STATED THAT ON NOV. FIFTEEN LAST HE OBTAINED LOCAL NEWS PAPER AND NO MENTION OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY HAVING BEEN KILLED. - STATED

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HE DISREGARDED INFORMATION THEN, SINCE IT CAME FROM A
YOUNG BOY. ACOSTA RETURNED TO MESA, ARIZONA, NOV. TWENTY LAST AND
ASK WIFE IF ANYTHING HAD HAPPENED AND SHE TOLD HIM "NOTHING." STATED
THAT HE DID NOT TELL WIFE SACORRO ABOUT INFO RECEIVED FROM BOY
IN MEXICO. ACOSTA STATED HE TOLD RAY GOMEZ, DECT. MESA, PD., MESA,
ARIZONA, THIS INFORMATION DEC, FOUR LAST AND NO OTHER PERSON FOR
FEAR PEOPLE WOULD THINK HE WAS CRAZY AND LAUGH AT HIM. ACOSTA
STATES HE IS WILLING TO GO TO AGUASCALIENTES, AND TRY TO FIND BOY
WHO FURNISHED HIM INFORMATION AND WOULD RECOGNIZE HIM.

DECT. GOMEZ STATES HE HAS KNOWN ACOSTA FOR MANY YEARS AND
ACOSTA HAS REPUTATION OF BEING TRUTHFUL AND NOT
CONSIDERED TO BE WINO OR DRUNKARD BY GOMEZ.

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