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LIE HARVEY OSWALD

On December 6, 1963, TED C. BLAND, residence address 514 McKenzie Street, Hillsboro, Texas, advised that he left Hillsboro, Texas, on Wednesday, exact date believed by him to be September 25, 1963, in his 1956 yellow and black Cadillac sedan and drove to Laredo, Texas. He advised that on the following day, September 26, 1963, he attempted to cross the border into Mexico but had a .22 rifle in his car at the time and as a result of this he spent from approximately 11:00 a.m. until about 1:00 p.m. on that date, September 26, 1963, in completing his arrangements to cross into Mexico. He explained by stating that he was sent from Mexican Customs to a representative of the Mexican Army in Nuevo Laredo who sent his boat across the river to Laredo, Texas, where he contacted the Mexican Consul. He advised that he recontacted American Customs at Laredo, Texas, and finally contacted a gun dealer at Laredo, Texas, whom he paid \$2 to ship the rifle back to him at Hillsboro, Texas. He advised that he finally crossed into Mexico about 1:00 p.m. and then drove straight to Monterrey, Mexico. He advised that he remembered being passed on the road by a young man driving a late model red Chevrolet automobile. He advised that he had no further description of this man or the car, however. He stated during the time he was crossing the border and making arrangements to cross, he did not remember having seen any individual who resembled OSWALD's photograph. He stated that in fact he did not recall many people being engaged in crossing into Mexico on that date and had no clear recollection of any individual so involved.

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