Intelligence Division

INFORMATIVE NOTE 11/5/76

Attached reports information obtained by SA James P. Hosty, Jr., from Ronald Kessler, a reporter for "The Washington Post," during an attempt by Kessler to interview Hosty on 11/4/76.

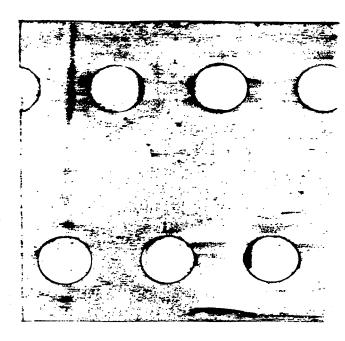
Kessler informed Hosty that he had talked with individuals familiar with the operation of the Intelligence Division at FBIHQ and had questioned them as to what FBI would have done had it been in possession of all information CIA had on Oswald's activities with the Soviets in Mexico. According to Kessler, such individuals advised him the FBI would have conducted a full espionage investigation.

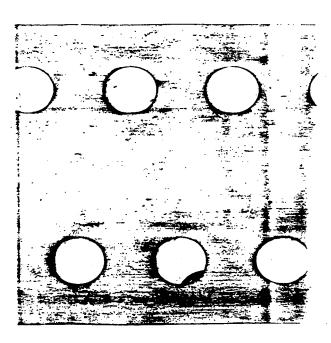
Kessler stated information withheld by CIA indicated Oswald offered to furnish information to the Soviets and requested money and free passage for himself and his family to the Soviet Union via Cuba.

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Hosty advised Kessler he would not comment until he had a chance to consult his superiors and advised Kessler he would be recontacted by FBIHQ or Attorney John M. Bray. Mr. Bray is the counselor appointed by the Justice Department to represent SA Hosty.

ACTION:

None. For information.

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