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Previous communication advised that SA James P. Hosty, Jr., Kansas City Division, was contacted by Ronald Kessler, a reporter for the Washington Post on September 29, 1976. Kessler advised Hosty he is writing a story for the Washington Post concerning the Mexico City aspect of the Kennedy Assassination. He asked SA Hosty questions regarding Oswald's letter to the Soviet Embassy and the possibility Hosty had listened to tapes of Oswald talking to the Soviet Embassy in Mexico City. Hosty did not comnent and advised Kessler he would stand on his testimony before the House subcommittee in December, 1975, regarding these questions. Kessler stated he had large numbers of CIA documents on this matter and implied that the CIA was cooperating with the Washington Post.

Attached advises that SA Hosty was again contacted by Kessler on October 13, 1976. Kessler advised Hosty that his review of CIA documents and interviews of CIA personnel shows that the CIA possessed considerable information on Oswald's visit to Mexico City in September - October, 1963, which it did not furnish to the FBI prior to the assassination. Kessler asked if it is possible this information was withheld because of an alleged feud between Director Hoover and the CIA. SA Hosty did not comment on this possibility. Kessler was referred by SA Hosty to John M. Bray, Washington. D. C., attorney, appointed by the Department of Justice to represent SA Hosty in this matter. Bray favors furnishing no information to the press at this time.

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