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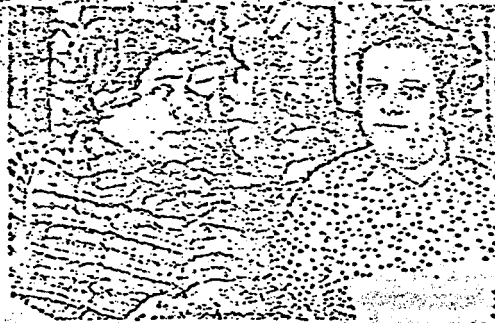
Hard Evidence Links Oswald

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A Watergate type of investigation into the JFK killing would have uncovered a sinister plot against our President.

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LEE HARVEY OSWALD was in Cuba less than two months before the assassination of President John F. Kennedy. There is evidence that he met with Fidel Castro's brother Raul and finalized plans for Kennedy's assassination and for his own escape after the murder.



FRANK STURGIS produced a secret FBI document containing evidence that Lee Harvey Oswald was working with the Cubans in the plot to assassinate Kennedy.

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written about the assassination, the
a line connecting
Oswald, the alleged
assassin, with Fidel
Castro, the man we
now know had the
most to gain from Kennedy's death.

There is not even a line placing Lee Harvey Oswald in Cuba.

The evidence is also in direct contradiction to Fidel Castro's statements on the recent Barbara Walters interview, in which he denied any involvement in the JFK assassination.

Yet the FBI has known all along of evidence linking Oswald and Castro. FBI agents were told about the secret trip, the rendezvous and the plot only weeks after the murder of President Kennedy.

There is an FBI document to prove it— Number MM105-8342, dated March 24, 1964.

A copy of this document is in the hands of Frank Sturgis, once America's top spy in Cuba and more recently a Watergate burglar.

In an exclusive interview with MIDNIGHT/GLOBE, Sturgis read at length from the document—but he would not allow it to be photographed.

"Not on my life!" he protested.

At all-cost, he said, the names of the contacts who gave the information to the FBI must be protected. There are nine names on the document—all reliable FBI and CIA contacts on Cuban intelligence.

Their lives could be in danger if their identities are made public.

Sturgis says Oswald made a secret trip to Cuba while visiting Mexico in late September of 1963. That Oswald went to Mexico has been definitely established. On September 27, he visited the Cuban and Russian embassies in Mexico City.

This was on his first day south-of-the-border. He spent five days there altogether, but no accounting of how Oswald spent those last four days has ever been given.

"Oswald contacted the Soviet Embassy in Mexico City and the report from the Russians is that they didn't want anything to do with him. Which is a natural report, under the circumstances," says Sturgis.

"Then Oswald showed up at the Cuban Embassy and the Cubans said, 'We don't want to have anything to do with him.'"

"Yet he spent four more days in Mexico. My conclusions are that he used this time to make contact with Cuban Intelligence for his getaway after the assassination."

Sturgis has three good reasons for arriving

And he knows the content of that secret FBI report. Oswald, Sturgis believes, was trained in espionage by the KGB during the three years he spent in Russia.

"It was so easy for Oswald to get into Russia and at that time, in 1959, at the height of the Cold War, it was damn difficult for anyone to get into Russia, or out, unless he had connections high up.

"Oswald was sent to Minsk by the Russians after he defected from the United States.

"Minsk happens to be an intelligence center. It's where the Russians had set up a school for the training of Cuban intelligence officers.

"During Oswald's time in Minsk, thousands of Cubans were trained in intelligence work.

"I have no proof, but I believe that Oswald made contact with Cuban agents there and eventually agreed to work with them."

Frank Sturgis, right from the moment of Kennedy's assassination, has had further reason to believe that Fidel Castro was involved.

While serving as Castro's chief of security for the Cuban Air Force after the revolution, Sturgis, working with U.S. intelligence, was involved in plots to assassinate the Cuban dictator.

The American people didn't learn of these attempted assassinations until they were revealed in the Senate committee hearings on intelligence less than two years ago. But Sturgis, the FBI and CIA knew all along that Fidel Castro had a motive to kill Kennedy.

As Sturgis rather bluntly told MIDNIGHT/GLOBE, "Fidel is capable of murder and he has participated in the assassinations of other foreign leaders in Latin America.

"And let's face it, if you're trying to kill me and I know you are trying to kill me and you've made attempts and failed... I'd be a fool not to try and rub you out before you rub me out."

On the recent Barbara Walters TV interview with Castro, the Cuban dictator said he knew of more than 20 separate CIA-inspired attempts on his life. The CIA has admitted to six.

There is no doubt that Castro knew

OSWALD

Sent to Minsk by the Russians after defecting from the US

STURGIS

Involved in the secret war against Cuba

The third reason that Sturgis believes his "friend Fidel" was involved in the Kennedy assassination is the most convincing of all. He has a copy of the FBI report which links Lee Harvey Oswald with the late Raul Castro, brother and former right-hand man to the Cuban leader. He died several years ago.

The following is excerpted from that document, omitting only the name of the FBI informant.

"Mr. _____ believe that Oswald had travelled from Mexico to Oriente Province, Cuba, prior to November, 1963, then returning to the United States.

"Reportedly Oswald used an airstrip located on the estate of former Mexican President Lazaro Cardenas in the Yucatan Peninsula of Mexico.

"The trip by Oswald to Oriente Province was reportedly for the purpose of making contact with Raul Castro, the brother of Fidel Castro.

"This information came from Cubans in the Miami area."

According to Sturgis, the FBI was told of Oswald's secret flight to Cuba by a former high-ranking Cuban official who escaped Castro's regime. His story was then confirmed by eight other Cubans in the Miami area, who had supplied the FBI and CIA with intelligence in the past.

"They were all regular contributors of information to the various intelligence agencies," Sturgis said. "They were considered to be reliable sources by the FBI and CIA."

Sturgis personally knows all of the nine informants. "I would say out of all these people, only one I would not consider 100 percent reliable.

"They all had the same information," he continued. "They were in a lock together. But at the beginning, they received the information independently.

"They were all people who had held high positions in Cuba, who had maintained contact with other Cubans inside of Cuba

and they were receiving information either by mail or by secret code."

At the time of President Kennedy's assassination in November of 1963, Sturgis himself was involved in what has come to be known as "The Secret War Against Cuba."

He had personally piloted 160 air operations over Cuba and taken part in another 60 raids by boat. He had dropped anti-Castro pamphlets, sabotaged military installations, dropped agents and supplies onto the island.

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FBI after the Kennedy assassination. Two agents thrice and a half hours grill Sturgis at his Miami home.

Particularly, the agents wanted to know if Lee Harvey Oswald had been in the Miami area prior to the assassination. There has never been any printed evidence to this effect.

Yet Sturgis told the FBI that Oswald had

been seen and had been active in the Miami area. Sturgis' testimony is in the FBI record.

"They asked me — because it seems they had information to this effect — if I knew something about Lee Harvey Oswald being in the Miami area and I answered to the best of my knowledge.

"I told the FBI that a friend of mine, whose name I gave them, had told me Oswald was in Miami attempting to infiltrate anti-Castro organizations as a spy for Castro.

"At one particular time, this associate of mine got in a fight with Oswald in Miami. The incident occurred when Oswald was observed distributing pro-Castro literature. (This is not to be confused with another scuffle in which Oswald was involved in New Orleans.)

"At another time he reported to me that Oswald had tried to join an organization that I headed called the International Anti-Communist Brigade, which helped to supply resistance fighters in Cuba.

"I told the FBI that I had tried to search my memory but that I could not remember Oswald."

On that same FBI document MM105-8342, it states that Oswald tried to join two other anti-Castro organizations and failed.

The FBI by early 1964 had had evidence that Lee Harvey Oswald had been in Miami, had been in Cuba, had met with Raul Castro. Yet none of this information was included in the Warren Report.

Either the FBI didn't tell the Commission... or the Commission decided not to tell the American people.

"It's a shame," says Sturgis. If the investigation had been handled with the thoroughness of the Watergate investigation, the world would have known the truth long ago. This type of investigation into the Kennedy assassination would have uncovered a sinister plot against our President."