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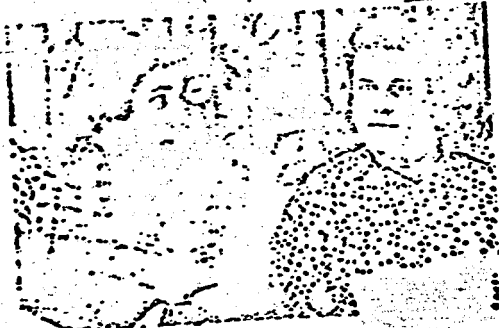
Hard Evidence Links Oswald

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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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...the hundreds of thousand pages
written about the assassination, there is not
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 contradic-
tion 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 Septem-
ber of 1963. That Oswald went to Mexico
has been definitely established. On Septem-
ber 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 So-
viet Embassy in Mexico City
and the report from the Rus-
sians 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

at the conclusion. He knows how the Soviet
works and how the Cuban intelligence
works. And he knows the contents 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 Cu-
ban 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 con-
tact with Cuban agents there
and eventually agreed to work
with them."

Frank Sturgis, right from
the moment of Kennedy's as-
sassination, 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 Cas-
tro 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 inter-
view 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

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...ly was out to get him.
The third reason that Sturgis believes his "friend Fidel" was involved in the 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.

He was also interrogated by the FBI after the Kennedy assassination. Two agents spent three and a half hours grilling 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 MM1105-8342, 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."

Participated in the assassination of other foreign leaders

By 1964 knew Oswald had been in Miami, Cuba and had met with Castro's brother

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