

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, DALLAS (100-10461)

FROM : SA JAMES W. BOOKHOUT

SUBJECT: LEE HARVEY OSWALD
IS-R-CUBA

DATE: 12/9/63

On 12/7/63 at approximately 9:30 P.M. HARRY MC CORMICK, a reporter for the "Dallas Morning News", called the writer at home and advised that in February, 1963, a friend of his had written a letter to the paper and same was published. That as a result of the publishing of said letter in the paper, his friend had received an anonymous letter (communist type) which was signed "A Worker".

MC CORMICK identified his friend as GWYNE GREENAWAY, 3708 Armstrong, and stated she was listed in phone book, but listing might be under name Mrs. ROBERT GREENAWAY.

MC CORMICK stated according to GREENAWAY the FBI picked up the anonymous letter about February 16 - 18, 1963, but she still has a photostat copy of same. MC CORMICK related that on 11/24/63 the "Dallas Morning News" carried a facsimile of OSWALD's letter to JOHN CONNALLY at the time CONNALLY was Secretary of the Navy. MC CORMICK stated that GREENAWAY feels that the handwriting on the letter she received signed "A Worker" is very similar to the handwriting in the letter to CONNALLY.

MC CORMICK stated he intended to run pictures of both letters in the paper and if the Dallas Office did not have the letter he would have a photostat copy which he would make available.

The above constituted the substance of said telephone conversation.

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The above information was immediately furnished to SAC J. GORDON SHANKLIN who instructed that MC CORMICK be recontacted for the purpose of suggesting that he be sure of his facts and to suggest that if he felt he had a legitimate lead that same should be presented to the FBI Office.

MC CORMICK called writer about 11:30 P.M. in answer to previous request left at his residence for him to call. MC CORMICK was asked purpose of original call to writer and stated he just wanted someone to know about it in advance so office would not hear about it for first time upon reading it in the paper.

MC CORMICK was asked if he intended to say anything in his article about the FBI and he stated he intended saying that GASSAWAY turned the letter received over to FBI in Fcb.

MC CORMICK stated he had not yet gotten the copy of said letter from GASSAWAY.

It was suggested that MC CORMICK be sure of his facts and if he thought he had a good legitimate lead, same should be presented to FBI and checked out.

MC CORMICK stated he thought this was a good suggestion and he would discuss same with SAC J. GORDON SHANKLIN Monday, 12/9/63, as he had not intended writing the story until 12/9/63.

A check of the office general indices and special indices failed to reflect anything on the name GWYNE GASSAWAY. However, the letter in question was located in Dallas file 100-0-6228 and is indexed under "Worker, f", 2/63. This letter is dated 2/16/63, signed "A. Worker" and was addressed to Mrs. GWYNNE GASSAWAY, 3708 Armstrong, Dallas, Texas, and is postmarked 2/16/63, Dallas, Texas.

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Will forward original letter and envelope, described above, to FBI Laboratory for comparison with known handwriting of LEE HARVEY OSWALD.