

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC (89-43) 100-10461

FROM : SA JAMES R. GRAHAM, JR.
SA HAROLD R. DOBSON

SUBJECT: LEE HARVEY OSWALD, AKA;
ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT
JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY,
DALLAS, TEXAS,
NOVEMBER 22, 1963
AFO

DATE: 12/4/63

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Re telephone call received on 12/2/63 at Dallas Office by SA JOE B. ABERNATHY from [redacted] concerning a [redacted] of [redacted] Tex., whom she understood had served OSWALD at the [redacted] Mexican Foot Restaurant on 10/25/63.

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[redacted] nee [redacted] formerly [redacted] and currently [redacted] advised on 12/4/63 she had been employed as a waitress at the [redacted] Mexican Food Restaurant, [redacted], Dallas, Tex. On 10/25/63 at approximately 9 p.m. three individuals consisting of a man of Russian or oriental appearance, a younger man apparently American and a Spanish woman approximately 55 years of age, entered the restaurant. [redacted] explained that she has experienced considerable difficulty with her husband [redacted]

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She served the three individuals mentioned and became particularly interested in their conversation when she overheard the Russian man addressing the younger American as "HARVEY". She thought they were referring to her husband and inferred that her husband had returned to Dallas, which caused her considerable alarm. She gave them particularly good service because she desired to overhear more of their conversation concerning HARVEY.

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She never heard anyone referred to as OSWALD or LEE HARVEY OSWALD during that conversation nor did she hear the Russian referred to by name, however, the Spanish woman was referred to by both men as "ROSA". The man referred to as HARVEY apparently spoke both Spanish and Russian fluently as he acted as translator for the Russian concerning the Spanish conversation of the woman and was heard to converse with the Russian in the Russian language. She was positive of both the Spanish and Russian language inasmuch as she has a past relative who spoke Russian and since living in this area she has become familiar with the Spanish language. She recalled that the Russian left her a \$2.00 tip and that the young man, HARVEY, gave her a \$10.00 tip. She was able to place the date and time of the occurrence due to the fact that within two hours following the departure of the three individuals at 11 p.m. she began to feel strange and at approximately 1 a.m. on the following morning suffered an extremely painful fall.

She gave no further thought to the matter until after the assassination of the President when she became positive that the young man she had served had been LEE HARVEY OSWALD. She stated, however, none of the television pictures of OSWALD resembled the individuals she had served and that only one press photograph, the one in which he was being shot by JACK RUBY, resembled him.

A photograph of LEE HARVEY OSWALD was exhibited to her during the interview, and she stated that while there was some similarity between some of the features of the individual she had served and the appearance of OSWALD in the photograph, she could not identify OSWALD as being the person she had served from the photograph.

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It was noted throughout the interview that [redacted] conversation was of a highly rambling nature and intermixed with her own personal difficulties, particularly in regard to her estranged husband. Considerable difficulty was experienced in attempting to obtain her story chronologically, and she persisted in discussing non-pertinent matters which occurred to her during the conversation. [redacted]

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At different portions of the interview, she contradicted information previously given by her, one example of which is that following her fall which resulted in a back injury she was taken to a hospital by another waitress, whereas later in the conversation she stated she had waited several days before being examined by a physician. It is noted, too, that [REDACTED] from whom the original information regarding [REDACTED] was received, mentioned that [REDACTED] had received a \$10.00 tip from the people she served, whereas [REDACTED] steadfastly maintained she had never told another living soul she had received such a tip.

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It was readily apparent that [REDACTED] was suffering from nervous disorder and a considerable degree of emotional disturbance and instability.

Since she was unable to positively identify the photograph of LEE HARVEY OSWALD as being of the individual she served on the evening of 10/25/63, it is suggested that no further action be taken in this regard. It is further suggested that since this matter has no pertinence to the OSWALD case that it not be included in the report to be submitted.