

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, DALLAS (100-10461)

FROM : *J.P. [unclear]* SAC, RICHMOND (105-3777) -P-

SUBJECT: LEE HARVEY OSWALD
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DATE: 2-18-64

On 2-13-64, one JESS EASTERLING, owner and operator of the Skyline Motel, west of Pulaski, Va., on old U.S. Route 11 and about 25 miles from Wytheville, Va., advised SA FREDERICK A. COOK that in September, 1963, at about the time Mrs. FRANK NELMS, American Red Cross, Wytheville, Va., reportedly saw OSWALD (it is noted that OSWALD's whereabouts during the period of time Mrs. NELMS allegedly saw him in Wytheville, Va., have been verified), he believes OSWALD, his wife and two small children spent a night at his motel. He stated that when OSWALD first checked in the motel he had a beard, however, after shaving, he looked more like JACK RUBY than OSWALD. He stated the man he believes to be OSWALD told him he had been to Centerville, Ohio, and was headed west. EASTERLING described the two small children as being about three years and four months respectively in age. EASTERLING stated that OSWALD had signed his full name when registering and stated he thereafter kept OSWALD's card on his desk "because I never had anyone by the name of OSWALD stay here before". He states he has since thrown the card out.

For the information of Dallas, the Pulaski, Va. authorities advised EASTERLING has been a suspect in handling stolen merchandise in years past and is known as a "hater" of police officers in general. It is noted EASTERLING offered no explanation as to why he had waited so long to report alleged instant incident. In view of the above and EASTERLING's reputation, no letterhead memo is being submitted and the above is furnished for the information of the Dallas Division.

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For information of Dallas, the results of Richmond investigation concerning "Allegation Oswald in Wytheville, Va.", was submitted by Richmond airtel to Dallas dated 12-2-63 in the case captioned "ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY, AFO", Dallas file 89-43..

Also reference is made to Dallas teletype to Richmond and Pittsburgh, 11-25-63, with the same above caption, which reported that LEE HARVEY OSWALD's employment in Dallas during this period had been verified and the individual reported in Wytheville not identical to OSWALD.