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LEE HARVEY OSWALD

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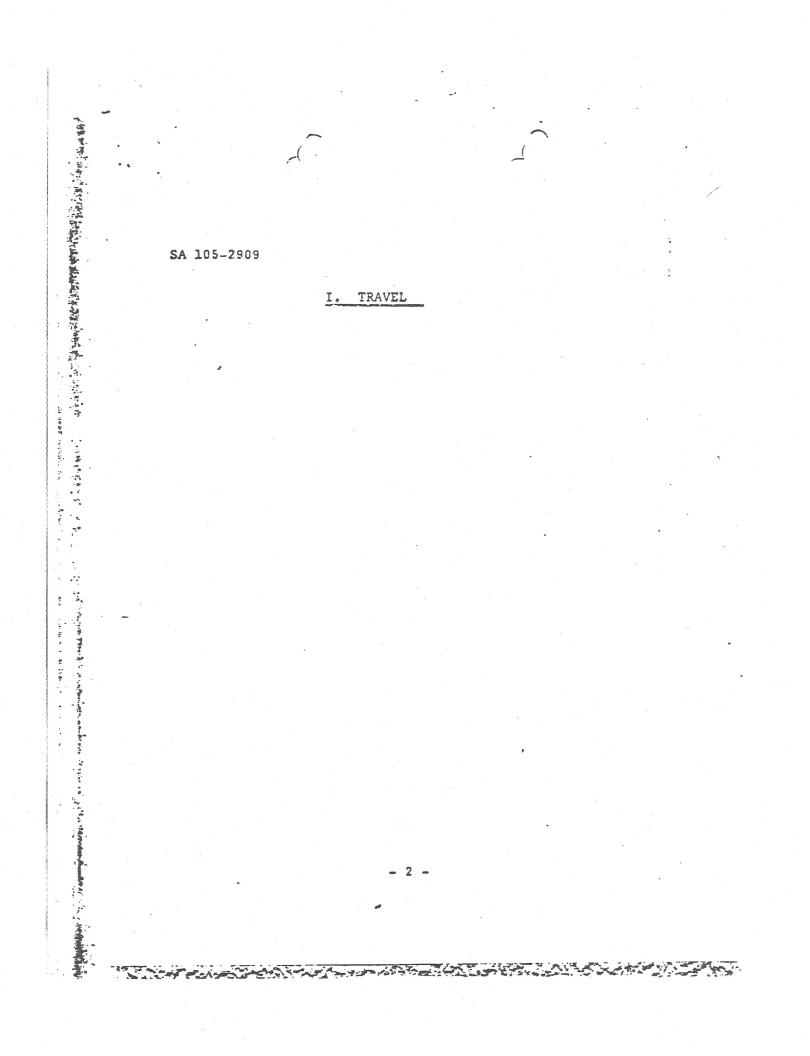
INS, Laredo. Texas, has no file on OSWALD. ORAN PUGH, U.S. Custome, Laredo, recalls making statement OSWALD checked by U.S. Public Health, Laredo upon his exit from Mexico; PUGH obtained this information from assistant. Records U.S. Public Health, Laredo, fail to reflect OSWALD checked through U.S. Public Health on 10/2-4/63. Investigation Kerrville Bus Company and Greyhound Bus terminals Austin, Texas, negative regarding OSWALD. H. DOLGNER, bus driver, Continental Trailways, Laredo, negative regarding OSWALD. McCJLLOUGH, Texas Employment Commission, Austin unable to locate letter from individual who made claim indicating writer of letter would not receive due consideration just as person who appealed to Governor CONNALLY about rescinding a discharge from Marine Corps did not receive satisfaction. JOHN H. BOWEN advised he took Flecha Roja Bus about 2 p.m., 9/26/63, from Nuevo Laredo, Mexico, and arrived in Mexico City about 10 a.m., 9/27/63. He described man sitting next to him on bus and said he could not identify OSWALD's photo as being identical to this man. BOWEN stated he returned to Laredo, Texas, on 10/2/63. After furnishing some information about his travels and background BOWEN became indignant and terminated the interview.

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The following investigation was conducted by SA LEGPOLTE RMIJO:

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Un January 76, 1964, ALLANVSKINNER, <u>Chief of Immi-</u> station and <u>Naturalization Service</u>. Advised that his office as no record or folder on LEE HARVEY OSWALD's trip to lexico. He added that this "rumor", was started by someone slortly after President KENNEDY's assassination and as a result, be had several inquiries from news media whom he advised he ist no such record in his office.

OPAN EUGENE/FUGH. Agent in Charge. U.S. Customs restigators, advised on January 27, 1964, that he does not recall being interviewed by <u>HAROLDFELDMAN</u>, adding that he received a number of calls from all parts of the country after the Fresident's assassination. He does recall making a statement to the effect that LEE HARVEY OSWALD was checked by U.S. Public Health. International Bridge, Laredo, Texas, upon OSWALL'S for Mexico. FUGH did not check this himself, aiding that his Assistant, WILLIAM KLINE, had furnished him this information. He stated that apparently KLINE had checked this and located the record reflecting that OSWALD was varcinated by U.S. Public Health when he left Mexico.

PUGH claims he did not say that OSWALD was checked by U.S. Immigration and Naturalization officials on entering and leaving Mexico. He did say that Americans are not required to check in with U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service when crossing the border.

In connection with the statement, "U.S. Immigration and Maturalization Service has a folder on OSWALD's trip", he claims he was misquoted. He made the statement that U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service had a folder on OSWALD, however, he was referring to a folder which U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service supposedly has on OSWALD's return to the 'noted States from Russia. He got this information from his assistant, WILLIAM KLINE, who in turn got it from LOUNDER, U.S.-Immigration Investigator, Laredo, Texas, who to't EINE that he, MACK, was Officer in Charge, Immigration and Naturalization Service, in Dallas, Texas, when OSWALD returned from Russia, and there was a record of this entry with Immigration and Naturalization Service in Dallas, Texas.

information he furnished the news media was based on what he received from WILLIAM KLINE.

ALLAN SKINNER, Immigration Chief, was recontacted on January 27, 1964, and advised that U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service in Dallas had a file on OSWALD but this was in connection with the petition OSWALD was required to file with Immigration and Naturalization Service upon bringing a Russian wife into the United States. This occurred when OSWALD returned from Russia with his wife and he does not know if this file is still in Dallas. He reiterated that he has no file whatsoever on LEE HARVEY OSWALD.

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Records of U. S. Public Health, Laredo, Texas, were examined on January 27, 1964, by Special Agent LEOPOLDO E. ARMIJO and they fail to reflect anyone by the name of LNE HARVEY OSWALD was checked through U. S. Public Health on October 2,3, or 4, 1963.

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SA JOSEF JONES:

AT SAN ANTCHIO, TEXAS

Un february 6, 1964, Mrs. MARIA/JUANA/ALANIZ, 719 Farders, advised that she is 47 years old, an American citizen, and is married to AVEDON TV ALANIZ. She said that she has made various trips by bus to Monterrey, Mexico. She recalled that she made one such trip about October 1, 1963, r aveling to Monterrey via Nuevo Laredo, Mexico, where she that the tourist card at Mexican immigration at the recaling Bridge. She said she returned on the third day. tupiph she could not be certain as to the exact day.

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She said that she went and returned from Monterrey sa Transportes des Norte Bus Lines, not Transportes Frontera.

She viewed a photograph of LEE HARVEY OSWALD and sivised that she did not remember ever having seen such a person. She said there were many passengers on the bus by which she traveled from Monterrey to Nuevo Laredo, but that al., so far as she could remember, seemed to be Mexican citizens and she did not remember any person who looked like a North American who was a passenger on that bus. FD-302 (Rev. 1-25-60)

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Mr. LELAND 0. INGRAM, 2322 Westrock Drive, Austin, Texas, advised he is a bus driver for the Kerrville Bus Co. and as such, drove a Kerrville bus from Austin, Texas, to Houston, Texas, on September 25, 1964, departing from Austin, Texas, at 6:15 p.m., and arriving at Houston, Texas, at 9:55 p.m.

He observed/a photograph of LEE HARVEY OSWALD and also of JACK RUBY and advised that he is not personally acquainted with either of them and does not recognize the photograph of either of them as having ever ridden on a bus of which he was the driver. He explained that it is possible that OSWALD or RUBY either one could have been a passenger on his bus, but he does not pay sufficient attention to the average passengers to be able to identify them after they leave the bus at destination.

He was unable to furnish any positive information to indicate that OSWALD did or did not ride on his bus on September 25, 1963, because he did not recognize his photograph as being familiar to him.

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"ILLIAM CLELL SUTTON, 1113 Walton Lane, Austin, Texas, Ldvised he is a bus driver for the Kerrville Bus Co., and as such, drove a Kerrville bus from Austin, Texas, to Houston, Texas, on September 25, 1964, departing from Austin, Texas, at 2:10 p.m., and arriving at Houston, Texas, at 6:10 p.m.

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Mr. ALBERT POMEROY SCHWARTZ, 4520 Frontier Trail, Austin, Texas, advised he is a bus driver for the Kerrville Bus Co. and as such, drove a Kerrville bus from Austin, Texas, to Houston, Texas, on September 25, 1964, departing from Austin, Texas, at 5:25 p.m. and arriving at Houston, Texas, at 9:45 p.m.

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Mr. C. R. BROWNING, home address 1119 Mission Ridge, Austin, Texas, Greyhound Bus Terminal Ticket Agent, advised he was on duty during the afternoon on September 25, 1963, until after the departure of Kerrville Bus Company bus that departed at 6:15 p.m. and was on duty at all times after 12:00 noon. He observed a photograph of LEE HARVEY OSWALD and one of JACK RUBY and stated he could not state that he had ever sold a bus ticket to either on September 25, 1963, or at any other time. He pointed out that due to the large number of tickets sold to passengers enroute to Houston, Texas, from Austin, Texas, it would be almost impossible to recall any one passenger who purchased a ticket as far back as September, 1963.

He admitted it would have been possible for him to have sold a ticket to OSWALD or RUBY and him not be able to identify either of their pictures at this time.

BROWNING pointed out that he and Miss LOUISE HAMILTON were the only ticket agents on duty from noon to after 6:15 p.m. on September 25, 1963.

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H. O. DOLGNER was interviewed at the Continental Trailways Depot, Laredo, Texas, at which time he furnished the following information:

He is a bus driver for Continental Trailways and on October 3, 1963, he drove the Trailways bus from Laredo, Texas, to Corpus Christi, Texas, leaving Laredo at 7:25 a.m. and arriving in Corpus Christi, Texas, at 10:05 a.m. He added that this bus goes by way of Alice, Texas.

Upon viewing a photograph of LEE HARVEY OSWALD, he advised that this individual was not on his bus on October 3, 1963, or any other time. He stated that this morning run is usually light with passengers, and if OSWALD had been on that bus, he would remember him.

He was exhibited a photograph of JACK RUBY and stated that he did not know this individual and had never seen him before.

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Mr. J. PAUL McCULLOUGH, Claims Examiner, III, Insurance Department, Texas Employment Commission, TEC Building, advised that sometime in November, 1963, he recalls receiving a letter from an individual who apparently was attempting to file a false claim. He stated that he has been unable to locate the letter, that he will continue to look for the letter; however, he doubts that he will ever find it; inasmuch as there are some 400,000 claims in the TEC office. He exhibited work papers reflecting his efforts to date to locate the letter which he recalled receiving.

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Mr. McCULLOUGH said that the writer of the letter indicated he, the writer, might also have to take matters into his own hands. Mr. McCULLOUGH said the writer of the letter did not mention OLWALD by name and only described his appeal in a way that suggested to McCULLOUGH that the writer was referring to OSWALD.

Mr. McCULLOUGH stated that should he be successil in locating the letter he would immediately notify the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

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24, 1964 February Date

OSCAR FERRINO, Owner of St. Anthony Hotel, Laredo, Texas, viewed photographs of JOHN HOWARD BOWEN, one taken with pith helmet and other in business suit in front of what appears to be old English castle, and stated that both photographs appeared to be photographs of the JOHN HOWARD BOWEN that has been staying periodically at the St. Anthony Hotel, P. O. Box 308, for several years.

FERRINO stated that BOWEN usually stays at the St. Anthony when he is passing through Laredo, Texas, en route to Mexico.

FERRINO stated that when BOWEN is not at the St. Anthony Hotel he, FERRINO, holds BOWEN's mail until he received instructions from BOWEN on where to send the mail or until BOWEN returns for the mail.

FERRINO stated that the name of ALBERT OSBORNE sounds familiar and he was of opinion that mail has come for BOWEN with name of ALBERT OSBORNE on it, but he said that he could not be certain of this, but that BOWEN has always been known around the hotel as BOWEN and has not, to FERRINO's knowledge, used the name of ALBERT OSBORNE in Laredo.

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JOHN HOWARD BOWEN was interviewed at the St. Anthony Hotel, Room 105, Laredo, <u>Texas</u>, at which time he related the following information.

He made available two ticket stubs from the "Flecha Roja" (Red Arrow) Bus Lines, one purchased at Nuevo Laredo, Mexico, bearing number 0921, dated September 26, 1963, reflecting fare of \$71.40 pesos, from Nuevo Laredo, Mexico, the other purchased in Mexico bearing number 1142 and dated October 1, 1963, reflecting fare of \$71.40 pesos from Mexico -Nuevo Laredo.

BOWEN stated he departed Nuevo Laredo, Mexico, approximately 2:00 p.m. September 26, 1963, on a Flecha Roja bus and arrived in Mexico City around 10:00 a.m., September 27, 1963. He stated there were no other Americans or English speaking persons on this bus and to his knowledge, none of the Mexican passengers spoke English. He sat near the front of the bus next to the window and there was a young man sitting next to him.

This man appeared to be Mexican, about 29 years of age, dark brown hair, had Spanish look, about 5'8", 150 pounds. He was shabbily dressed, wearing khaki pants and was carrying a brown zippered traveling bag which he placed on the top rack of the bus.

BOWEN stated he did not talk to this man, nor did this man speak to him, or anyone else on the bus. He stated that upon leaving Sabinas Hidalgo, after stopping there for lunch, this person went to the rear of the bus and went to sleep. He stated he does not know where this man got off the bus.

A photograph of LEE HARVEY OSWALD was exhibited to BOWEN, and after viewing it carefully, stated that he could not identify this photograph as being identical to the man who sat next to him on the Flecha Roja bus September 26, 1963. He viewed the photograph of OSWALD again and stated that he has never seen that person at any time.

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BOWEN stated that this bus arrived in Mexico City about 10:00 a.m., September 27, 1963, and he boarded another bus on the afternoon of the 27th and went to Puebla, Mexico, where he stayed at the Teresa Hotel overnight. From there he boarded a train and went to JESUS CARANZAS, Mexico, and stayed at the Railroad Hotel about two nights, and returned to Laredo, Texas, on October 2, 1963.

When queried about his activities since September 1, 1963, he became indignant, and wanted to know why the FBI was interested in his itinerary, adding that this was a free country and he could travel whenever and wherever he pleased.

Under further interrogation, BOWEN stated that during the month of September, 1963, he stayed at the St. Anthony Hotel, Laredo, Texas, until his trip to Mexico on September 26, 1963. After returning from Mexico on October 2, 1963, he remained in Laredo at the St. Anthony Hotel until the latter part of October when he went on a lengthy t ip in the United States, visiting churches and collecting religious books. He added that the records at the St. Anthony Hotel would not reflect that he stayed there in September or October inasmuch as the owner of the hotel owed him momey from a typewriter that was stolen from his room and did not charge him for use of the room and therefore, did not sign his name on the hotel register.

Referring to the lengthy trip he took in the United States the latter part of October, November, and most of December, he stated that he first went to Houston, Texas, where he stayed two nights at the Spur Hotel near the Greyhound station having left Laredo, Texas, in mid-October. From Houston, he went to Memphis, Tennessee, to see Dr. A. D. MULA; however, did not see him as he arrived there at night. He stayed in Memphis two nights at the William Len Hotel. From there, he went to Charlotte, North Carolina, where he stayed at the YMCA and then went on to Columbia, South Carolina, and back to Laredo, Texas, just before Christmas. After Christmas, he went on another trip and visited Houston, Texas; Lake Charles and Baton Rouge, Louisiana, and returned to Laredo, Texas. He added that this occurred in January, and in February, he made a trip to Birmingham, Alabama.

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BOWEN stated that he has never stayed in Texmelucan, Maxico, adding that he has only been through there on his way to Mexico City. He denied being interviewed in Mexico by anyone, and denied ever using a dual identity or ever having been in any other foreign country. He further stated that he has never used the name of ALBERT OSBORNE. He knows a man by that name who is also a preacher and missionery in Mexico. He last saw OSBORNE in Mexico City in mid-summer of 1963, and he and OSBORNE were last together is Diffed, Mexico, in 1959. He added that he and OSBORNE look very much alike and were often mistaken for each other in Mexico.

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n.WEN stated that during his travels in Mexico, he always stars with Pastors and Christian people and sometimes does the same thing in the United States. He could not furnish names of people in the United States with whom he has stayed, explaining that he just could not remember their names. He stated that he is well known in Mexico, particularly Vera Cruz, and Oaxaca, and mentioned the following names of persons who know him and with whom he has stayed in the past: MOSIS NAUM, Pastor in Vera Cruz; LEONARD INGRAM and PERCT COX, both preachers in Mexico City; JCHN HARRIS, Preacher in Arizaba, Vera Cruz. He added that COX and INGRAM are both listed in the directory, Mexico City. He also knows the man in charge of the Bible Society in Mexico City, however, cannot recall his name. He stated that he visits other cities in Mexico, however, could not recall all the names.

BOWEN was again exhibited photograph of OSWALD and reiterated that he could not identify OSWALD as being on the same bus with him on September 26, 1963, and has never seen him at any time. When confronted with the fact that three other people on the same bus identified him and OSWALD as being seated in the same seat, he stated that he was saying only what he knew, and that possibly other people are not being truthful.

When queried about his background, BOWEN stated that he organized the Boys Club in Knoxville, Tennessee, in 1934, now known as the Boys Club of America. At this point,

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BOWEN was pressed for his full background, specific details regarding his activities since September 1, 1963, names of friends, relatives, and people he has visited, etc., and he became very indignant. He stated that he had furnished all of this information to the Birmingham Fel Office and did not have to furnish it again. He stated that he did not understand why the FBI was interviewing him everywhere he went, and wanted to know what he was being charged with as he might get a lawyer. He was advised that he was not charged with anything and was not under arrest. At this point, he stated that he did not want to make any further statements. When asked where he intended to go from Laredo, Texas, he stated he did not know, and refused to say where he was going.

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OSCAR FERRINO, owner, St. Anthony Hotel, Laredo, Texas, advised that he recalls JOHN HOWARD BOWEN staying at this hotel in October and November, 1963; however, did not recall the dates and his records would not show inasmuch as a typewriter belonging to BOWEN was stolen from his room and he, FERRINO, paid BOWEN \$30.00 for the loss of this typewriter. He did not actually give BOWEN \$30.00, but let him stay in the room free, which would be about fifteen days for that amount of money.

In view of this, he did not record BOWEN's name on the register. In checking his records further, he noted that BOWEN stayed at the St. Anthony hotel three nights in December, 1963, commencing on December 29.

FERRINO added that BOWEN checked out of the hotel at 7 a.m., February 17, 1964, and did not say where he was going.

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The following investigation was conducted by SA FRED T. LEE, JR., at Eagle Pass, Texas.

On February 18, 1964, Reverend WALTER L. HLUCHAN, Minister, Penecostal Church of God, advised that on about February 8, 1964, he had received an undated letter from ALBERT OSBORN whomhe knows as JOHN HOWARD BOWEN. Return address on the letter was ALBERT OSBORN, Emilio Carranza-4-8, Texmelucan, Pue., Mexico. In this letter OSBORN indicated that on about December 20, 1963, he had returnedto Texmelucan after preaching for some time in England, Spair, Northern France, and Northern Africa. OSBORN did not indicate in his letter the length of time he had spent in Europe, but did indicate he expected to remain in Texmelucan for some time. Reverend HLUCHAN advised he could not furnish any additional information concerning the whereabouts or travel plan of OSBORN.

On February 19, 1964, Reverend JAMES TIMMONS, Baptist Minister, advised he has known OSBORN since about 1944. TIMMONS advised he has not seen OSBORN for some two years and does not know anything concerning his present whereabouts or activities. TIMMONS indicated that he recently sent a letter to OSBORN with a return address Eagle Pass, Post Office Box 517, but that he has not received any reply to this letter. TIMMONS continued by stating that in the past OSBORN had frequently visited Reverend JOE AMARINE. Mission Secretary, Southern Baptist Convention, Alice, Texas.

Further, Mr. TIMMONS described OSBORN as a person who "acted mysteriously and secretively" and that to his knowledge had not attended any ministerial school and his only affiliation with any religious group was the "Plymouth Brothers" which he described as an English non-denomination sect.

On February 18, 1964, lookouts were placed with the Immigration and Naturalization Service at Eagle Pass, Texas, and a lookout was placed with the Immigration Service at Piedras Negras, Mexico. Both of these services indicated they would advise should OSBORN enter or leave Mexico at either of these locations.