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February 8, 1964

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Honorable J. Lee Rankin  
 General Counsel  
 The President's Commission  
 200 Maryland Avenue, Northeast  
 Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Rankin:

Reference is made to your letter of January 31, 1964, requesting this Bureau conduct time tests on bus travel between specified locations in the Dallas, Texas, area.

On February 8, 1964, Special Agent Ivan D. Lee of our Dallas Office conducted the requested tests with the following results:

At 6:12 p.m. Special Agent Lee boarded a Dallas Transit Company Beckley Avenue bus at the corner of Bryan and Crockett Streets, adjacent to Crozier Technical High School, 2218 Bryan Street. He took this bus to the corner of Beckley Avenue and Nealey Street, which is the nearest bus stop to Oswald's former residence, 214 West Nealey Street, arriving at 6:33 p.m., elapsed travel time being 21 minutes.

This same route was again traveled commencing at 7:19 p.m. and terminating at 7:36 p.m., elapsed travel time being 17 minutes. Special Agent Lee pointed out the above two buses taken by him at 6:12 p.m. and 7:19 p.m. are the first buses scheduled to depart after the hour.

Special Agent Lee walked at an average pace from the bus stop at the corner of Beckley Avenue and Nealey Street to Oswald's former residence, elapsed walking time being two minutes and fifty seconds.

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**Robert J. Lee Rankin**

The nearest bus stop to General Edwin A. Walker's residence, 4011 Turtle Creek Boulevard, Dallas, is located at the corner of Avondale and Oak Lawn Avenues, approximately one block west of the residence. The first bus scheduled to leave from this bus stop after 9:00 p.m. is a Preston Hollow Express which Special Agent Lee boarded at 9:26 p.m. He arrived at a bus transfer point in the 1600 block of Elm Street at 9:38 p.m. and alighted. At 9:53 p.m. Special Agent Lee boarded a Beckley Avenue bus and alighted from same at the corner of Beckley Avenue and Neeley Street at 10:05 p.m., elapsed travel time being 39 minutes.

The Dallas Transit Company advised Special Agent Lee the bus schedules in effect on February 3, 1964, have been in effect for over a year. This concludes our inquiry into this particular matter.

Sincerely yours,

This item is on the Director's "Special List."

NOTE: By letter dated 1/31/64 the President's Commission requested appropriate tests be made to determine bus travel time from Crozier Technical High School to the former Oswald residence on Neeley Street in Dallas around 6:00 and 7:15 p.m. The Commission also desired to know the time it would take to go by bus from General Walker's residence to Oswald's former residence after 9:00 p.m.

Dallas Office immediately instructed to conduct these tests, results of which furnished to Bureau on 2/4/64 and are set out in the above letter.

While we have not been apprised of the purpose of these tests by the President's Commission, the following is set out as a possible explanation for same,

note continued)

Dallas Police Department records disclose General Walker reported a shot was fired into his residence about 9:00 p.m. on 4/10/63.

Dallas report of SA Warren C. DeBrueys dated 12/8/63 on pages 284 and 285 set out interviews of Marina Oswald on 12/3 and 12/4/63. She advised during the Spring of 1963 they resided on Neeley Street. One evening in the Spring of 1963 her husband indicated he was going to typing class at the Dallas evening school (Crozier Technical High School where Oswald last attended on 4/8/63) where he normally attended two or three times a week. On this particular evening he was very late and arrived home about midnight, very pale, agitated and excited at which time he admitted trying to kill General Walker by shooting at Walker with a rifle. Marina Oswald stated her husband normally would depart the Neeley Street address sometime between 6:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. returning home about 9:00 p.m.

From the above it would appear the Commission is endeavoring to determine the truthfulness of statements and feasibility of information previously furnished by Marina Oswald as it relates to the other known activities of Oswald. It is possible this information may be necessary in connection with the current questioning of Marina Oswald by the Commission.