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All pertinent information concerning OSWALD has been furnished to the Boreau and Dallas by teletype or airtel as it as been received. No leads are being set out in this report on the basis of information contained in this report as this office is not aware of the full background information developed nor aware of leads which have been handled or are Leads are being presently under investigation by other offices. left to the discretion of the office of origin.

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LEE HARVEY OSWALD

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INTERNAL SECURITY - RUSSIA - CUBA

Synopsis:

INS, Laredo. Texas. has no file on OSWALD. ORAN PUGH, U.S. Customs, 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 POWING investigation was conducted by SA LEGROLFIC . RMIJO:

AT _ARTIC, TEXAS

On Jacuary 76, 1964, ALLAN SKINNER, Chief of Immipration and Naturalization Service's advised that his office
has no record or folder on LEE HARVEY OSWALD's trip to
lexico. He added that this "rumor", was started by someone
shortly after President KENNEDY's assassination and as a result,
he had several inquiries from news media whom he advised he
had no such record in his office.

OPAN EUGINATION. Agent in Charge, U.S. Customs
restinators, advised on January 27, 1964, that he does not
recall being interviewed by HAROLDTIELDMAN, 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
OCWALL'S exit from 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 Haturalization 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 'mited States from Russia. He got this information from his assistant, WILLIAM KLINE, who in turn got it from LOUNGER, U.S. Immigration Investigator, Laredo, Texas, who told LINE 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.

Ar. PUGH concluded by saying that all of the above 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 LEE HARVEY OSWALD was checked through U. S. Public Health on October 2,3, or 4, 1963.

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SA JOSEF CONTEST Investigation was conducted by

AT SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS

Un february 6, 1964, Mrs. MARIA JUANA ALANIZ, 719

Figures sovised that she is 47 years old, an American citizen, and is married to AVEDON TYALANIZ. 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, welling to Monterrey via Nuevo Laredo, Mexico, where she will her tourist card at Mexican immigration at the tourist card at the tourist card at Mexican immigration at the tourist card at the tourist card at Mexican immigration at the tourist card at the tour

She said that she went and returned from Monterrey and Prensportes del 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.

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Date lebruary 6, 1964

M. HIMRY MATHIWS, Vice President, Kerrville, Bus Co. Un East Fourth Street, Austin, Texas, advised that company operated the only direct bus service between Austin, Texas, and Houston, Texas. The schedule of Kenrville Bus Co. with drivers on the schedule for September 25, 1963, after 12:00 noon was furnished by MATHEWS as follows:

DEPARTURE TIME ARRIVAL TIME NAME OF FROM AUSTIN, TEXAS IN HOUSTON, TEXAS DRIVERS

2.10 p.m. 6:10 p.m. W. C. SUITON

1 25 tom. 9:45 p.m. A. P. SCHRARIT

Fig. 15 p.m. (Express) 3:55 p.m. L. O. INGRAM

All ticket cales for Kerrville Bus Co. or the Austin. Texas, to Houston. Texas, route are handled by the ticket agents at the Greyhound Bus Terminal, (18). Text 10th Street. Austin. Texas.

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Mr. LELAND O. 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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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.

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Date February 6, 1964

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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Date February 12, 1964

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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Date February 14, 1964

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, we 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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Date February 24, 1964

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 some 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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Date February 20, 1964.

JOHN HOWARD BOWEN was interviewed at the St. Anthony Hotel, Room 105, Laredo, Texas, 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 hus 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.

Mexico, adding that he has never stayed in Texmelucan, Mexico, 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 in 1964, Mexico, in 1959. He added that he and OSBORNE look way much alike and were often mistaken for each other in Mexico.

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nowen stated that during his travels in Mexico, he always stays 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 PERCY 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,

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 PRED 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 returned to Texmelucan after preaching for some time in England, Spain, 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 hown 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.

Purther, 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.

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Report of:

GEORGE C. WELBORN

Office: Knoxville

Date:

2/26/64

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Title:

LEE HARVEY OSWALD

Character:

INTERNAL SECURITY - R - CUBA

Re: ALBERT OSBORNE, aka John Houard Borne

Synopis: Investigation to locate Albert Osborne, aka John Howard Bowen, or associates of his at Jonesboro, Tenn., negative. Rev. FRED M. ALLEN, Ir., Knowville, Tenn., and Mrs. PESSIE WHITE, Vice President, Pisgal Home Movement, Pikeville, Tenn., either known of or known Osborne as John Howard Bowen. Neither could furnish infermation to his current whereabouts. Rev. Allen received postcard from POWEN postmarked 2/18/61 at San Antonio, Takes, listing his new address as Nize 22 Mexica. We for white the ported she contributes \$35 per month to be used to support the of the Evangelists under supervision of Juny Howard Bowen. Nize 22 Mexica, D.F. Memoy sent to some monthly. Background info re BOWEN set forth.

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DETAILS:

The following Baptist ministers advised on February 20, 1964, SA ROBERT LEE MORRISON that ARTHUR, OSBORNE and/or JOHN 'HOWARD DOWEN is unknown to them. They said that in event they relearn of this individual's being in the area they will immediately notify the FBI.

Reverent ORTIE E. BRADSHAW, Grandview Avenue. Jonesboro, Tennessee

Reverend HARVEY/SEYMORE. Pine Street. Jonesboro

Reverend W. PAUL HALL, Superintendent of Wisstons, Holston Baptist Association, 2310 Nave Drive, Johnson City, Tennessee

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Date February 25, 1964

Reverend FRED B. ALLEN, Jr., 505 Oklahoma Avenue, advised he is paster of the North Glansood Baptist Church, Knoxville, He advised he and his parants. Mr. and Mrs. FRED B. ALLEN, Sr., 1400 North 4th Avenue, Knoxvillo, are long-time friends of JOHN HOTARD BOWEN, whom he described as an 84 year old missionary. Reversud ALLEN stated that BOWEN has worked as a missionary in Mexico for the past 22 years.

Reverend ALLEN advised be has not seen BOFFN for quite some time, but advised he had recently received a post card from BOWEN postwarked 2/18/64 at San Antonio, Texas. He advised this was an airmail protected of the type purchased at U. S. Post Offices. He said the only message on the card was BOWEN'S new mailing address and that BOWEN hoped to hear from him soon. Heverend ALLEN stated the new address furnished by BOWEN has Niza 22, Mexico D.F.

Reverend ALLEY advised he had absolutely no idea as to BOWEN'S present whereabouts, but advised he would immore distely noticy the Knowville FBI Office if he or his parents heard anything further from EOWEN.

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Mys. BESSIP) WHITE Vice President, Pisgab Home
Movement, Pikeville, Tennessee, advised that she has known of
JOHN HOWARD BOWEN for about the past four years. She stated
she received information through some source, unyccalled at the
present time, that BOWEN was a supervisor of a mission in Nexico,
and she has been making contributions to be used to support one
of the Evangelists She said that BOWEN is a representative of the
Pentacostal or Full Gospel Church and that he reportedly has
several Evangelists working under him at this mission that he
operates. She said that the Evangelists are reportedly Mexicans
and are working throughout Mexico.

She indicated that she contributes \$35.00 pe. wonth at the present time but originally only contributed \$25.00 per month. This money is supposed to be used to suppost one of the Evangeliets and she receives a receipt each month from the person who received the money. The money is sent to POWER, who in turn makes the money available to the Evangeliat. FOWN also furnishes a receipt indicating that he receives the money that She stated that she makes the contibution she contributes. in the form of bank drafts, which are drawn on the First Potional Bank of Pikeville, Pikeville, Tennessee, and these deafts are made pavable to BOWEN. She said that these cancelled bank drafts, or well as the receipts, are presently in her possession. She said that she has received information that other persons were contributing to this same cause, but she did not know the identity of any of these persons. She said that BOWEN has never solicited any contributions from her, however, he did notify her the cost of supporting one of the Evangelist had increased from \$25.00 to \$35.00 per month. She has never seen BOWEN and her only contain has been through the United States mails by letter.

has advised her in his letters that he is originally from Knoxville. Tennessee. She does not know any thing about his background but understands that he has been in Mexico for about 18 years doing missionary work. In addition to the money sent each month, the Piegah Home Mission occasionally sends used clothing and other articles to BOWEN to be distributed to the needy.

She said that the only name she ever norw this person by was JOHN HOW RD BOWEN and his last address was Niza 22. Mexico,

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D.F. as of about two weeks previously. She said that the name of the Evangelist that she was supporting was a ZENNEN MIGUEL CRUZ, Niza 22, Mexico. She has never seen this person but does receive receipts from him indicating that he received the money which was furnished by her.

She said that the name of ALBFAT OSBORNE was not familiar to her. She said the Pisgah Home Movement is an independent non-profit and non-denominational organization established to aid and assist any needy person, and to do the work of the Lord.

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To: SAC, Dallas (100-10461)

From: Director, FDI (105-32555)

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Mexico City, captioned as above, with ten copies of a let of a let of a memorandum enclosed in Legat, Mexico City, carried as a let of a let of a let of a Robert Kaffke in Mexico City.

You should disregard the lead to attempt to locate and interview Mary Lane. For your future guidance, Lane should not interviewed in instant case without specific Bureau auditorial head memorandum being furnished to President's Commission

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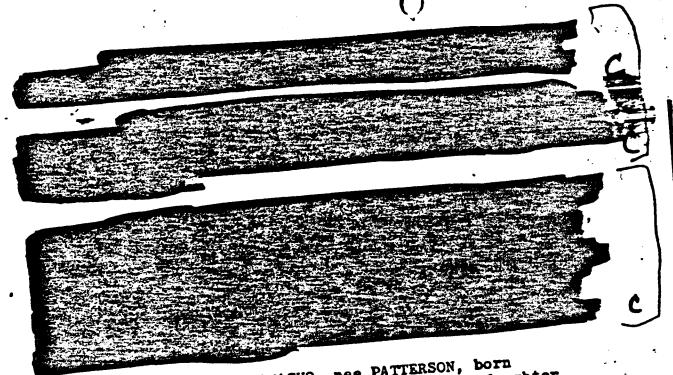
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NOTE:

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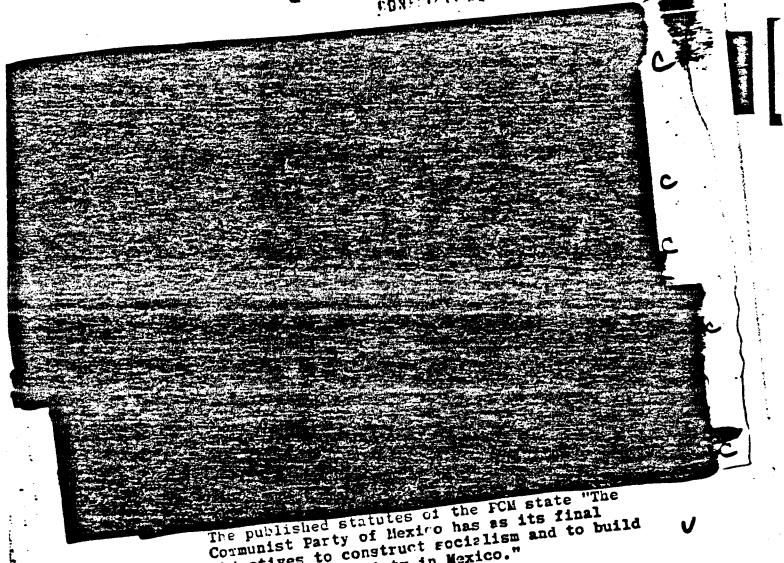
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SUBJECT:

LEE HARVEY OSWALD, aka IS - R - CUBA

ENCLOSURES

Enclosed are 32 copies of a letterhead memorandum dated and captioned as above.

REFERENCES

Mexico City letter dated 1/24/64; Bureau airtel dated 2/13/64.

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The indices of the Mexico City Office are negative for the name of MARY LOUISE PATTERSON, who may be identical with Security Index subject of New York Office as mentioned with Security Incl. in referenced Busintes, 114

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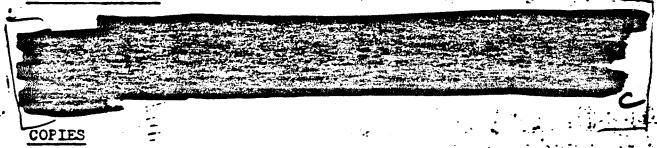
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Two copies of the enclosed letterhead memorandum are being designated for Dallas as the domestic Office of Origin, and two for New York to cover the indicated lead.

LEADS

NEW YORK OFFICE

At New York, New York

Will check indices and sources in order to report all available background data regarding MARY LOUISE PATTERSON for appropriate dissemination as requested in Bureau airtel dated 2/13/64.

MEXICO CITY OFFICE

At Mexico, D. F.

(1) Will continue to vigorously and immediately handle all investigation growing out of leads in this case and report the results promptly.

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(2) Will furnish by letterhead memorandum results of investigation regarding silver-colored bracelet given by subject to his wife MARINA; investigation regarding postcards depicting various scenes in Mexico, and investigation of a copy of a pamphlet bearing the inscription on cover page "Hipodromo de Las Americas, S. A., Mexico, D. F.," to determine if these were acquired by OSWALD at the tourist-type store of CHARLES SMALL, as well as investigation on note made by OSWALD to watch a jai-lai game.



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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

March 16, 1964

LEE HARVEY OSWALD

On March 9, 1964, a confidential source abroad made available a copy of a report prepared by Mexican Immigration Inspector JOSE MARIO DEL VALLE and submitted to the Mexican Ministry of "Gobernacion" (Interior) under date of November 30, 1963, with respect to investigation conducted by him concerning LEE HARVEY OSWALD. A translation from Spanish of that report is recorded hereinunder:

"In accordance with the orders which I received to proceed to the city of Nuevo Laredo, Tamaulipas, for the purpose of conducting investigation regarding the alien of North American nationality, LEE HARVEY OSWALD, I am pleased to furnish to you the following report:

"REPORT DATA: The alien in question entered the country (Mexico) at Nuevo Laredo, Tamaulipas, documented with FM-8 No. 24085 on September 26, Mexico 1963. The Immigration Inspector who received him, HELIO TUEXI MAYDON, failed to record three essential items of information: the time he entered, his means of transportation, and his nationality. Interrogated in this connection, he admitted those errors and added that he was unable to furnish any further data which might assist in this investigation because of the lapse of time. He was unable to remember anything whatsoever with respect to the alien, OSWALD.

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"It was possible to determine with certainty he was received in the Immigration Office between 6:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. on that day, since the personnel records reflect that Agent TUEXI MAYDON was on duty during that shift.

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DEPARTURE: The above-mentioned alien left the country on October 3, 1963, having been handled by Immigration Agent ALBERTO ARZAMENDI CHAPA at Kilometer 26 of the highway. When he left, said Agent noticed the omissions on the immigration form and corrected in his handwriting the one relating to nationality by writing the word 'American.'

PENA and LIBRADO GARCIA, but as was the case with the former (ARZAMENDI), they were unable to furnish any information.

"It was also possible to ascertain that said alien passed Kilometer 26 between midnight and 8;00 a.m. of the day in question.

"STAY IN NUEVO LAREDO, TAMAULIPAS: Several hotels were checked in the foregoing locality without determining that he had stayed at any of them on September 26, 1963. However, taking into account that on the following day, September 27, 1963, he registered at the Hotel del Comercio in the Federal District, it must be assumed that he initiated his travel immediately without delaying in Nuevo Laredo, Tamaulipas.

"METHOD OF TRAVEL: Passenger lists of the Mexican Aviation Company were reviewed, and it does not appear that the above-mentioned OSWALD made the trip by that means. Furthermore, since the 27th of September was a Friday, he would not have been able to travel by plane in view of the fact that during that month the company was not making daily flights to Mexico (city).

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"It was not possible to determine whether or not he traveled on the bus line Transportes del Norte, since they do not prepare passenger lists. In addition, despite the fact that said line makes connections with "Greyhound," it also was not possible to verify if he traveled thereon, as the latter merely makes the notation "occupied" on its passenger manifest.

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"It appears most likely that OSWALD traveled by autobus, which would have allowed him to register at the hotel in Mexico on the day following his entry to the country, and railroad travel does not leave any record whatsoever of its passengers. The possibility exists that he might have made the trip by automobile, but this would only be reasonable if acquaintances had allowed him to ride with them, since, as will be seen later, he did not enter the country with a personal automobile.

"OSWALD'S DIVORCE: There are rumors in the city of Nuevo Laredo, Tamaulipas, to the effect that said foreigner had been there previously for the purpose of obtaining a divorce. In this connection, it was determined at the First Court of Nuevo Laredo under Attorney PINTO that it was another foreigner named HARVEY LARRY HUDSON who applied for and obtained a divorce there in 1960 from his wife, JUNE MARIE HUBER AUDSON. From a review of the file it was concluded that it was not related to the foreigner OSWALD.

"In a nearby town called Colombia, Nuevo Leon, divorces are also handled for North American citizens with a minimum of red tape. In view of the rains which were sweeping the area, it was not possible to travel by highway, which is the only means of access to that town, to determine whether or not any record could be located concerning the divorce in question. For that reason, an urgent telegram was sent to CIRO MANUEL RIOJAS, head of the Civil Registry in that locality, requesting the information, and up to 29th of the current month, no reply had been received. The Chief of the Immigration Office at Nuevo Laredo, Tamaulipas,

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"Mr. GILBERTO CAZARES PEREZ, volunteered to advise immediately in the event a reply was received.

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TONONE RAMON and MARCOS TRANIDAD SALINAS, as well as the Tourist Guide, MATEO REYES, were interviewed, and they advised that they had not assisted the foreigner, OSWALD, in any judgment of this nature.

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ENTRY OF RELATIVES: A careful check was made for the purpose of determining whether or not the wife of OSWALD, MARINA NIKOLAEVNA OSWALD, had entered the country without any positive results. Also, with respect to his mother, named MARGUERITE CLAVIRE OSWALD, (a check was made) with the same results with respect to the border at Nuevo Laredo, Tamaulipas.

"AUTOMOBILE IMPORT PERMITS: According to what appears on the FM-11 Lists of departures, the alien OSWALD left the country on October 3, 1963, at Nuevo Laredo, Tamaulipas, by automobile. Nevertheless, this data constitutes another error, this time by Miss SOLALINDE, typist charged with making up said lists, who admitted that she had made a mistake, since the FM-8 which she had in view with respect to the alien OSWALD does not have any place thereon the appropriate notation to the effect that he traveled by automobile.

'On the other hand, there is annexed hereto a list of the Automobile Temporary Import Permits issued on September 25, 1963, by the Customs authorities at Nuevo Laredo, Tamaulipas, together with the Immigration data of each person. A study of this list reveals nothing that would be identifiable with the alien OSWALD.

'FM-8 CARDS LOCATED: A search was conducted and the FM-8 Nos. 24086 and 24087, which are the two following that of the alien OSWALD, were located and record the following data:

'FLORENCE PARSON DE MEN, 38 years of age, married, housewife, resident of New Orleans, Louisiana, of

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"North American nationality, having entered the country at Ciudad Miguel Aleman, Tamaulipas, with destination of Monterrey, Nuevo Leon.

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'GEORGE HENRY DE MEN, 42 years of age, married, laborer, resident of New Orleans, Louisiana, with destination as Monterrey, Nuevo Leon, and the same place of entry and nationality as the foregoing.

"As did OJWALD, they applied for their cards (tourist) in New Orleans, Louisiana, and the importance of this information rests in the fact that since they obtained their immigration form(s) on the same day, they might be able to furnish some information, as their turn at the Mexican Consulate would have been immediately following that of the alien in question. In order to obtain additional data concerning both persons, the Automobile Temporary Importation Permit at Ciudad Miguel Aleman, Tamaulipas, should be checked.

"Also, the FM-8 No. 24082 and No. 24083 were located for SAMUEL THOMAS/NORTH and JUDITH MARIE MUTH NORTH, both North Americans and domiciled in New Orleans, Louisiana, who entered with an automobile at Ciudad Miguel Aleman, Tamaulipas. For the purpose of obtaining further data concerning both of them, the respective Importation Permit (automobile) should be reviewed.

Respectfully,

Mexico, D. F., November 30, 1963
/s/ JOSE MARIO DEL VALLE"

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INTERVIEW OF INSPECTOR JOSE MARIO DEL VALLE

On March 12, 1964, Immigration Inspector JOSE MARIO DEL VALLE advised that "Kilometer 26" is the Mexican Immigration and Customs checking station which is located on Mexican Federal Highway No. 85 twenty-six kilometers (16 miles) south of Laredo, Texas, and Nuevo Laredo, Tamaulipas.

of the report recorded above, he had been advised by Mr. GILBERTO CAZARES PEREZ, Chief of the Mexican Immigration Office at Nuevo Larede, that a report had been received from the Chief of the Civil Registry at Colombia, Nuevo Leon, to the effect that no information identifiable with OSWALD had been located in the divorce records of that locality.

with respect to the method utilized by Inspectors of the Mexican Immigration Department in handling departure data concerning aliens who have entered Mexico with tourist cards valid for a limited time, DEL VALLE stated that he had made the following observations during the course of his investigations in the area of Nuevo Laredo:

In connection with aliens entering the country, reasonable care is exercised by personnel of the Immigration Department to record information concerning method of travel and the exact hour of entry, as this can become a matter of interest to the Mexican Government in the event the traveler fails to leave Mexico within the period of time permitted by his tourist card, or should a person who has entered as the owner of an automobile attempt to leave the country without removing that vehicle. He pointed out that a late departure usually occasions the assessment of a fine against the individual guilty of this violation, and both Mexican Customs and Immigration are constantly alert for the possibility that a traveler by automobile may illegally have disposed of the vehicle in Mexico despite warnings against this procedure which appear on the Automobile Temporary Importation Permit.

In regard to departure records, however, he had determined that although the Immigration Inspectors are charged with obtaining accurate data for completing the FM-11 forms (separate lists of persons entering Mexico and departing from

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the country which are submitted semimonthly by each Mexican port of entry and departure Immigration Station and record basic data which appears on the tourist cards or travel documents of each traveler), in actual practice very little attention is given to ascertaining actual "destination" and "means of travel," as this information is not of primary interest to the Mexican Immigration Department other than as a means of identifying the traveler and verifying his departure in the event any question of investigative interest should arise. He had found that it is the usual practice for the typist who prepares the FM-11 forms for "departures" merely to copy from the cancelled tourist card the "destination" as the place where the card was issued and as "means of travel" the same as that reflected on the card at the time the traveler entered the He also had verified that when an automobile or bus stops at the Kilometer 26 checking station traveling toward the border, the Immigration Agent merely collects the tourist cards of the passengers who are identified as aliens, places his personal cancellation and date stamp on the tourist cards he has handled, and subsequently delivers them to the desk of the typist who is to organize them in alphabetical order by date and copy from them the data which is required on the FM-11.

Inspector DEL VALLE expressed his personal conviction that the recording of "auto" as OSWALD's means of departure from Mexico had been merely a mental lapse on the part of the typist, although his having departed through the Kilometer 26 checking station does indicate with certainty that he left the country in a motor vehicle of some type.

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SUBJECT:

LEE HARVEY OSWALD, aka IS - R - CUBA

ENCLOSURES

Enclosed herewith to the Bureau are 30, copies of a letterhead memorandum, dated and captioned as above, and 2 Zerox copies of a report submitted in Spanish by Mexican Immigration Inspector JOSE MARIO DEL VALLE under date of November 30, 1963, to the Chief of the Inspection Department of the Mexican Ministry of Gobernacion (Interior). The translation to English of the foregoing document is incorporated in the enclosed letterhead memorandum.

REFERENCES

Bureau cable dated 3/12/64, and Mexico City letter and letterhead memorandum dated 3/12/64.

ADMINISTRATIVE

In accordance with Bureau instructions recorded in Bureau cable of reference, the report which resulted from investigation by the Mexican Government in the area of Nuevo Laredo, Tamaulipas, was obtained for translation and submission to the Bureau. This report previously had been reviewed by liaison Agents of this office and it had not en considered that it contained any information which was not already available to this office and the Bureau. In it is office and the Bureau.

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