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| Sr. MONTOYA | 23 | October 1, 1963 |
| Puebla, Puebla | | October 1, 1963 |
| FRANCISCO GUTIERREZ Puebla, Puebla | 25 | UCLOBEL 1, 1000 |
| (Chauffeur) | | |
| FELIPE ESCOBEDO | 26 | October 1, 1963 |
| ALFONSO GARCIA | 27 | October 1, 1963 |
| Monterrey, Nuevo Leon | | |
| INTERVIEW OF MANAGER AND OTHER PERSONNEL AT HOTEL | | |

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GUILLERMO GARCIA LUNA advised on March 3, 1964, that he is the owner and manager of the Hotel del Comercia, which is located approximately five blocks north of the main east-west thoroughfare of Mexico, Paseo de la Reforma, and two blocks east of the principal north-south artery, Avenida Insurgences. He explained that his hotel caters to commercial travelers, most of whom are Mexican citizens; that it has a total of thirty rooms, most of which are equipped with a private bath; that for a single room the minimum rate, without bath, is 13.00 pesos (\$1.03 U.S.) and the maximum, with bath, is 20.00 pesos (\$1.60 U.S.) He added that the hotel is in the heart of the area of many of the bus terminals in Mexico City and also is only a few blocks from the passenger railroad station.

GARCIA LUNA furnished th e following observations concerning the stay of LHE HARVEY OSWALD at the Hotel del Comercio. He received OSWALD and caused him to sign the hotel registration book, which is utilized in place of registration cards. He believed OSWALD's arrival had occurred between 10:00 and 11:00 a.m The guest makes the initial entry in the registration book with data which includes his name, place of origin, occupation, and nationality; thereafter, so long as the guest remains at the hotel, his name and identifying data are transferred to the registration book page for the corrent date, after he has made payment in

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GABRIEL CONTRERAS is the owner of a business in Ciudad Juarez, Chihuahua, involving cotton seed oil or related activity, and resides at Ciudad Camargo, Chihuahua.

RODOLFO RODRIGUEZ of Chihuahua, Chihuahua, also is a driver for an automobile agency, possibly the "Opel or General Motors agency" in Chihuahua.

MARTIN SUMAYA is a retired "Army man" who occasionally has stayed at the hotel and resides in Nuevo Leon, Tamaulipas.

AFAEL ROCHA is an automobile driver and drives new automobiles from Mexico City to some agency at Torreon.

GARCIA LUNA believes JOSE GAMES is a bus driver, and the fact that his home address is listed as Aguascalientes causes him to assume that he is employed by the "Estrella Blanca" ("White Star") bus line, which offers service to the area of Aguascalientes.

FIDENCIO GARCIA may be a businessman in San Luis Potosi, San Luis Potosi.

The full name of "Cap. DOMINGUEZ" is Captain CARLOS DOMINGUEZ, and a letter which he left behind at the hotel reflects him to be the President of the "Unificacion Estatal de los Veteranos de la Revolucion" ("State Federation of Veterans of the Revolution"). Calle Alvaro Obregon No. 500, room No. 20, San Luis Potosi. San Luis Potosi.

GARCIA LUNA advised that he would continue to be alert for the arrival at the hotel of or information concerning other guests who might have some information concerning OSWALD.

Hotel owner GARCIA LUNA advised that MARIO RESENDIZ stops at the Hotel del Comercio periodically and travels throughout Mexico as a salesman of religious artifacts.

A fourth confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on February 28, 1964, that extensive investigation had been made at Monclova, Coahuila, without obtaining any information as to the permanent address or further identifying data concerning MARIO RESENDIZ.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT CONNDENTIAL

HEMORANDUM

Director, FBI (105-82555) To: egat, Mexico (105-3702) (P) From Subject: LEE HARVEY OSWALD, aka IS = R = CUBA

ENCLOSURES

Enclosed herewith to the Bureau are sixteen (15) copies of a letterhead memorandum, dated and captioned as above.

REFERENCES

Bureau cables dated 4/20/64 and 4/15/34, and Mexico City cable dated 4/21/64.

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The enclosed letterhead memorandum records the results of investigation by this office concerning all phases of OSWALD's residence at the Hotel del Comercio in Mexico City. On the basis of information in the enclosure, leads are being set out or investigation already has been undertaken to locate and interview other guests at the Hotel del Comercio during the same period as OSWALD's residence.

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Two copies of this letter and of the enclosed letterhead memorandum have been designated for the domestic office of origin, Dallas, and two copies thereof for the San Antonio Office in view of the possibility that leads may arise from information therein for investigation at Nuevo Laredo, Tamaulipas.

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At Ciudad Juarez and Ciudad Camargo, Chihuahua, Mexico

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of OSWALD's residence and is reported to be engaged in the cotton seed oil business at Ciudad Juarez and to reside at Ciudad Camargo. If CONTRERAS is identified and located, he should be shown photographs of OSWALD and interviewed as to any recollection he may have of OSWALD at the Hotel del Comercio in Mexico City during the latter part of September and the early part of October, 1963.

MEXICO CITY OFFICE

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At Mexico, D. F., Mexico

Will continue efforts to locate and interview ANTONIO CLIVA and his wife or paramour, with respect to their knowledge of OSWALD.

Will maintain contact with personnel at the Hotel del Comercio in an effort to further identify, locate and interview other guests at the Hotel del Comercio during the pertinent period.

At Chihuahua, Chihuahua, Mexico

Will endeavor to locate and interview FERNANDO VALENZUELA and RODOLFO RODRIGUEZ, who are reported to be employed by automobile agencies in that city as drivers of new automobiles from Mexico City to Chihuahua.

At Merida, Yucatan, Mexico

Will endeavor to locate and interview PEDRO QUIJANO and ANGELICA PEREYRA DE QUIJANO.

At Aguascalientes, Aguascalientes, Mexico

who is believed to be a bus driver and may be employed by the "Estrella Blanca" bus line.

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At San Luis Potosi, San Luis Potosi, Mexico

At Calle Alvaro Obregon 500, room No. 20, will interview Captain CARLOS DOMINGUEZ, who was at the Hotel del Comercio on October 1, 1963, concerning his knowledge of OSWALD.

Will also endeavor to locate and interview FIDENCIO GARCIA, who was at the Hotel del Comercio on September 28, 1963.

At Torreon, Coahuila, Mexico

Will endeavor to locate and interview RAFAEL ROCHA, who was at the Hotel del Comercio on September 27, 1963, and is reported to be a professional driver who transports new automobiles from Mexico City to Torreon for an unidentified automobile agency.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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LEE HARVEY OSWALD

It has previously been determined that HENRY OLIVER EMERSON and his wife, ADRIENNE M. J. HERSON, both holders of British passports, departed from Nuevo Laredo, Mexico on October 3, 1963.

On April 9, 1964, Mr. EMERSON and his wife, 16 Old Sneed Road, Stoke.Bishop, Bristol, England, furnished information as follows:

Mr. EMERSON is a writer of school textbooks, a lecturer and author. The EMERSONs departed Southampton, England, by ship the latter part of August 1963. They arrived in the United States (U.S.), at New York, New York, and after spending a short period of time in New York City, travelled to Washington, D.C.

In Washington, D.C., the EMERSONs consulted with a Mr. BORDINMUM (phonetic), of the U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare concerning the possibilities of Mr. EMERSON's lecturing at schools in the U.S. and Mexico. Mr. BORDINMUM prepared an itinerary for the EMERSONs, a portion of which included a lecture by Mr. EMERSON at the Monterrey Institute of Technology, Monterrey, Mexico, on October 2, 1963.

The EMERSONs travelled around Washington, D.C., and then by Greyhound bus with various stops en route to Los Angeles, California, from which city the latter part of September 1963, they travelled to San Antonio, Texas.

They departed from San Antonio, Texas, by Greyhound in the early morning of October 1, 1963, en route to Monterrey, Mexico. They arrived at Nuevo Laredo, Mexico, about 12:00 noon, October 1, 1963, where they encountered some difficulty with an official of the Mexican Immigration Service, as they were not in possession of two photographs each of themselves. They were permitted to go to a small photographer's shop where they had photographs taken, which satisfied Mexican immigration requirements. They mc 105-3702-739 1612124

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then boarded a Transportesdel Norte bus in the early afternoon, arriving in Monterrey about 7:00 P.M., October 1, 1963. In Monterrey they stayed at the Main Square Hotel.

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On October 2, 1963, Mr. EMERSON lectured at the Monterrey Institute of Technology and then they went sight seeing.

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On October 3, 1963, in the morning after 8:00 A.M., they boarded a Transportes del Norte bus at Monterrey en route to Nuevo Laredo and San Antonio, Texas. When they boarded this bus at Monterrey, all passengers in it and those boarding it appeared to be of Latin-American extraction. Upon leaving Monterrey, the bus stopped at a small village where they had coffee. They had lunch on board the bus. The bus made other stops to discharge and pick up passengers and on these occasions all individuals appeared to be of Latin-American extraction. The bus was stopped twice at Mexican immigration check points and on each occasion, a Mexican official boarded the bus and checked the documents of the passengers. They could not recall the location of the first check point, but the second one was close to Nuevo Laredo opposite a cemetery.

The bus arrived at the Mexican - U.S. border about 2:00 or 3:00 P.M., October 3, 1963. It did not stop at Nuevo Laredo, but proceeded to the U.S., side where everyone disembarked for processing through U.S. Customs and Immigration. After processing they boarded a Greyhound bus for San Antonio, Texas, arriving there after dark approximately 7:00 or 8:00 P.M., October 3, 1963. They remained in San Antonio overnight, and on the morning of October 4, 1963, they boarded a Greyhound bus for New Orleans, from which city they travelled with various stops to New York City. They departed from the U.S., October 31, 1963, on the ship, "ILE DE FRANCE", which arrived in Southampton, England, November 5, 1963.

The EMERSONs displayed their British passports which were observed to contain therein inked control stamps as follows:

"ALEJANDRO ROCHA ESPINOSA Nuevo Laredo, Tamps. Oct - 1 - 63" "JESUS GOVEA HERRA Nuevo Laredo, Tamps. Oct 5,63"

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They advised that ESPINOSA and HERREA are the names of the Mexican immigration officials who placed the stamps in their passports.

Ihey could not recall any Americans on the Del Norte bus on October 3, 1963, nor could they recall any Americanappearing male attracting their attention at any time during the trip into or out of Mexico.

The EMERSONs viewed a photograph of LEE HARVEY OSWALD and advised they did not see OSWALD or anyone resembling him during all of their travels in the U.S. and Mexico.

The EMERSONs viewed a photograph of PHILLIPE PITER E. VAN DER VORM, a French National who has previously advised he travelled on a Transportes del Norte bus from Mexico City en route Dallas on October 2 - 3, 1963. They advised they could not recall seeing VAN DER VORM or anyone resembling him during their travels in the U.S. and Mexico.

They reflected upon their travels in the U.S. and Mexico, advising they could not recall any situation, incident or encounter which would in any way assist in the matter at hand.



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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

April 8, 1964

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LEE HARVEY OSWALD

On April 6, 1964, PHILLIPE PITER E. VAN DER VORM advised that he does recall that when he was on a Transportes del Norte Company bus from Mexico City en route to Dallas, Texas, on October 2, 1963, there was a Mexican immigration check some few miles south of Nuevo Laredo. He departed on the bus from Mexico City at about 8:30 A.M. on October 2, and the immigration check occurred sometime around midnight Uctober 2. At this point a Mexican official boarded the bus. He was described by VAN DER VORM as being very fat and wearing a uniform. The official checked passports and visas of all passengers. One individual, believed to be an American, had difficulty. This person was missing some document or it had expired. It was necessary for the individual to leave the bus for a short while. On returning, this person made some comment about not understanding why he had been bothered. VAN DER VORM described this individual as probably an American, about 25 years old, wearing a white shirt with a dark pull over sweater. VAN DER VORM had no conversation with this individual, does not recall where the person got on or off the bus, and has no further recollection of him.

VAN DER VORM stated that the stop for the immigration check described above, was the only Mexican border check made. When the bus arrived at Nuevo Laredo about 1:00 A.M., October 3, When the bus arrived at Nuevo Laredo about 1:00 A.M., October 3, all passengers left the bus. They had something to eat while all luggage was being transferred to a Greyhound bus. VAN DER all luggage was being transferred to a Greyhound bus. VAN DER bus left and proceeded to the United States. He arrived on this bus left and proceeded to the United States. He afternoon of bus in Dallas, Texas, about the middle of the afternoon of October 3.

VAN DER VORM stated the bus made a number of stops from Mexico City and people would get on and off the bus. He has no recollection of the transfer of passengers at Monterrey.

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VAN DER VORM, who is French by nationality, speaks excellent English. He stated he did recall two persons being on the bus, one of whom he described as a tall, slim Texan, about 45 years of age, who was travelling with his wife. He talked briefly with this person, who also spoke Spanish. The conversation concerned only idle chatter. He also advised that on the bus was a German woman who had been a schoolthat on the United States for the past 15 or 20 years. She teacher in the United States for the past 15 or 20 years. She had been in Yucatan on vacation and was returning to the United States. He described her as being about 50 years old. She spoke

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VON DER VORM stated he could not recall anyone on the bus whom he could identify as LEE HARVEY OSWALD. He stated he paid little attention to the passengers and spent a good deal of the time sleeping. He said there were approximately 15 passengers on the bus, including both Americans and Mexicans. He could offer no further information as to the identities of any of the passengers.

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FBI Date: April 8, 1964 Transmit the following in ____ (Type in plain text or code) Via AIRTEL (Priority or Method of Mailing) DIRECTOR, FBI (105-82555) то: LEGAT, LONDON-(62-359) (P) ROM: LEE HARVEY OSWALD SUBJECT: IS - R - CUBA Re Paris letter, February 10, 1964, Bucab to Paris, March 29, 1964, Paris cable to Bureau and London, 3/31/64 and mycab April 7, 1964. In accordance with Bureau request, Legat BATES and Assistant Legat MINNICH interviewed PHILLIPE PITER E. VAN DER VORM at the American Embassy on April 6, 1964. VAN DER VORM at first did not recall the Mexican immigration checkpoint south of Nuevo Laredo until after his recollection was refreshed. He could still not identify subject as being on the bus on which he was travelling. VAN DER VORM's memory is not good of the events; however, he stated he wanted to be of any possible assistance and would do what he could. The results of interview of VAN DER VORM is set forth in the enclosed original and seven copies of an LHM, one copy for Paris. VAN DER VORM recalled that he had taken a .35 mm. colored slide while on the bus somewhere between Mexico City and the border. This was during the afternoon of October 2. The picture showed a mountain in the background and included the bus and some of the passengers. He thought this might be helpful if it would be enlarged. The photograph is in Paris and VAN DER VORM agreed to furnish this to Legat, Paris upon his return there in ten days or two weeks. Paris was advised by telephone. VAN DER VORM agreed to having his photograph taken and there are enclosed for the Bureau, five copies of the photograph and one negative. 2 - Bureau (Encs. 14) 40 700 ... 1 645 1.0 1 - Liaison Section (Sent Direct) (Enc. 1) 1 - Legat, Paris (Enc. 1) 12010 1 - London CWB:ec (5) 17111 MC 105-3702

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VAN DER VORM is described as follows from interview and observation:

| Age: | 24 |
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While on the bus from Mexico City he was wearing a sport shirt, a dark green sweater with suede front, light colored Italian-style slacks and linen shoes with rope soles.

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To:

From:

SAC, San Antonio (105-2909) (Enclosures - 10) 2 - Mexico City (105-3702) (Enclosures - 4) Director, FBI (105-82555)

LEE HARVEY OSVALD IS - B - CUBA

Enclosed for San Antonio are two copies of airtel from Legat, London, dated April 8 and two copies each of letterhead memorandum prepared by Legat, London, dated April 8 and April 10, last and two copies of photograph of Phillipe Van Der Vorm taken in London 4-6-64 and two copies of photograph of same person obtained from his Mexican tourist card - photograph probably taken September, 1963.

For Legat, Mexico City, there are enclosed one copy each of aforementioned communications and a copy of the picture of Van Der Vorm taken in London on 4-6-64.

San Antonio display photographs of Van Der Vorm to Agapito Del Rio to determine if photograph refreshes his recollection and to ascertain if Van Der Vorm may be the person described by Del Rio as the only person on the Del Norte line busses between Mexico City and Laredo on 10-2/3 last who did not appear to be of Latin-American extraction. Note that Van Der Vorm's description appears in enclosed Legat, London, 4-8-64 airtel. Ascertain if Mexican Immigration Inspector Chapa answers general description of the Immigration inspector furnished by Van Der Vorm. Also identify the other two Mexican Immigration inspectors on duty with Chapa during the midnight to 8:00 a.m. shift on 10-3 last. If Chapa does not answer description furnished by Van Der Vorm, determine if any of the inspectors on duty fit the description. $\mathcal{W}^{\mathbb{C}}$

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Airtel to SAC, San Antonio Re: LEE HARVEY OSWALD 105-82555

Note that it has been established with reasonable certainty that the Del Norte bus trip from Mexico City to Laredo on 10-2/3 last involved a bus change at Monterrey. It appears that bus number 332 carried passengers from Mexico City to Monterrey and that passengers destined to Laredo had to board bus 373 from Monterrey On. Requestion Del Rio on this point.

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Copies of above-described material furnished to Legat, Mexico City, for possible use in connection with interviews of people in Mexico who traveled on the Del Norte busses in question.

One copy each of aforementioned communications and the photographs are furnished to Dallas for information. It will not be necessary for Dallas to re-report the information in enclosed letterhead memoranda.

Returned herewith to Legat, London, is one copy each of your 4-8 and 4-10 letterhead memorandum bearing pencil i markings showing amendments therein made by Bureau. Also enclosed is one copy each of amended letterhead memoranda.

Copies of enclosed letter head memoranda have been furnished to the President's Commission and CIA.

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Persons interviewed in letterhead memoranda were people who left Mexico at Nuevo Laredo 10-3 last, same date Oswald departed Mexico. Van Der Vorm was passenger on same bas with Oswald but could not recall him. Del Rio, a passenger on this bus, described a non-Latin male who basically fits description of Oswald and Van Der Vorm. He does not recall Oswald and it is now necessary to display Van Der Vorm's picture to him.

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SAC, Dallas (100-10461)

Director, FBI (105-82555) Front:

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ReBulet 4/21/64 to Legat, Mexico City

Enclosed for Dallas are two copies of a passport photograph of Mary Louise Patterson made in April, 1960. Comach.O

There was enclosed with the copy of reBulet which went to Dallas one copy of a LHM dated 4/10/64 classified "Secret." This memorandum included information on page two that Mary Louise Samacho, nee Ratterson, knew Oswald while he was in Russia. Dinto

Dallas reinterview Marina Oswald. Exhibit to her the photograph of Camacho. Ask her if she knew Camacho. Did Lee Harvey Oswald know her? Did he ever mention her either by name or by description? If Marina Oswald knows anything about Camacho, obtain full details from her. Submit results in report Charac form.

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Mexican sources have Mivised that Elizabeth Catlett Nora said Canacho knew Oswald in Russia. Canacho, is the daughter of William L. Patterson, chairman of the New York State CP. is presently, in Russia with her husband, Roberto Camacho. She is apparently accepted as a CP member. Wille' have furnished mora s information to CIA and to the Commission.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Can Francisco, California April 14, 1964

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On March 20, 1904, an individual, who has requested his identity not be divulged but who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that while recently in Mexico City he met one Arnold (last name unknown) in the Casa do log A igos operated by the American Friends Service Committee in Menico City.

whold velate on the eccepton of the reavementioned meeting that he had had dinner with Lee Darvey Oswald during the time that Oswald visited Mexico City prior to the assassination of President Kennedy. Arnold furnished no other details to this source regarding this dinner but source stated that Arnold claimed to be from Borkeley, California.

Werelan date of the 1978, a photograph of finall bonic Merelan date of the 20, 1963, chica of obtained inst the Passport Office of the United States Department of State by Investigative Clerk David L. De Weese on April 7, 1964, was exhibited to the above-mentioned source who ismediately positively identified the photograph of Kessler as being a photograph of the individual named Arnold that he pot at the Casa de los Amiros, Nexico City. Dassport records of the United States Department of State Deflect that Arnold Louis Kessler was sorn Scitemper 23, 1942, Detroit, Michigan, and was issued a possport at Can Transisco, California en September 10, 1963, at which time he indicator he intended to travel to Prazil, Foru and Argentine, stepic - should approminately six postlys.

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FD-38 (Rev. 10-29-65) FBI 4-14-64 Date: Transmit the following in . (Type in plain text or code) AIRMAIL R.cut AIRTEL (Priority) Yía DIRECTOR, FBI (105-82555) TO SAC RAN FRANCISCO (89-53) FP.0M: **`**) LEE HARVEY OS MID IS - R - CUEA 00 DL ARHOLD LOUTS KESSLER 2 E : Re Washington Field airtel 4-10-64. Enclosed for the Sureau are eight copies of a letterhead memorandum setting forth a contact with the critinal source regarding "ARHOLD" in Mexico City and showing that this source positively identified WROLD LOUIS RESSARD as the "ARNOLD" who allegedly had dinner with LEE MARVEY OSMALD while the latter was in Mexico City. (See San Francisco airtel 3-20-64.) Unclosed for Dallas are 25 copies of an insert setting forth the full details and background regarding this incident as well as certain data regarding RUSSLER from the files of the Passport Office of the United States Department of State and from the records of the University of California at Depkeley, California. Instant insert is being furnished to Dallas for incorporation in an ? investigative report on OSMALD. ? The source who furnished the data set forth in letbeliest percendur and the enclosed insert 30 who furnished the information on 3-20-64 and SA FRAMM S. MURBONE. τō **REC-42** JTN:cj SURE (Lac. 8) (31.4X-105 Dallas (Enc. 25) (100-10461) (RM) 1-Detroit (Info) (100-31005) (R!) Field (105-37111) - (Infe Reshington 1-San Francinge4 Approved 1111 ZI Per Sent Special Agent in Charge 05-3702-745 106-645 FB C. C. Wick Autora 200



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April 17, 1964

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LEE HARVEY OSWALD INTERNAL SECURITY - R - CUBA

It will be recalled that Lee Harvey Osuald is believed to have travelled under the name of H. O. Lee on Transportes del Norte Bus No. 332 departing Mexico City 8:30 a.m., October 2, 1963. At Monterrey he transferred to del Norte Bus No. 373, which arrived he transferred to del Norte Bus No. 373, which arrived at Laredo, Texas, approximately 2:00 c.m., October 3, 1963. Names of certain individuals believed to have been passengers appear on manifest contained among the records of this bus company.

On April 15, 1964, the following names were checked at Central Office, Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS), against master indices, as well as indices of nonimmigrant visitors (I-94's) and I-94 "overstays" These names are:

Augusto Aguilar (possibly Augusto Aquilos) Eulalio Rodriguez Paula Rusioni (or Rusconi) Hilda Quezada (Lr.) A. Wartinez

On April 15, 1964, Mr. Abs Krichejchy, Contact Representative, Central Office, INS, advised that with regard to the name Mr. A. Martinez, it would not be possible to search this name through INS indices for an identification without ideitional data including a given name and date of birth. In this regard it was pointed out that in the master index, there are approximately 35,000 card records filed in the area of the name A. Martinez, under the Sounder system.

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On the name Augusto Aguilar (possibly Aquilos), a search of records at Central Office, INS, was negative as to I-94 forms, I-94 "overstays" and master index. ξ.

On the name Eulalio Rodriguez, $I\!I\!S$ records were negative on I-94 forms and I-94 "overstays," but master index contained records of three border crossing cards as follows:

Border Crossing Card No. 507572 was iccued at Laredo, Texas, November 26, 1958, to Eulalio Rodriguez-Perales, born May 12, 1934, at Lincres N. L. Mexico, residence shown as 23 de Abril 1814 Nte, Monterrey, N. L.

Border Crossing Card No. 2C3316 was issued at Laredo, Texas, April 9, 1957, to Eulalio Bodriguez-Carrillo, born February 12, 1934, San Luis Potosi, SLP, Mexico, residence shown as Lago de Pascuaro 101 Fte, Monterrey, N. L. Mexico.

Border Crossing Card No. 1339074 was issued July 9, 1963, at Laredo Mezico, to Eulalio Redriguez-Galvan, born April 16, 1923, Rio Verde, SLP, Mezico, employed as a body mechanic, residence shown as Rujerto Martinez, Ote 956, Monterrey, N. L., Mezico.

On the name Paula Rusconi (Paula Rusioni), INS records did not contain any references in I-Se forms, I-94 "overstays" or master index.

On the name Hilda Quezcia, no record was located among DIS I-94 forms or I-94 "overstays" However, master index contained two references to persons of this name:

One Hilda Quezada-Quiroz, born September 4, 1944, at Merico, L.F. Merico, was admitted on a Class B-2 visa at Laredo'on May 24, 1983, valid to June 15, 1963. She was holding Merican Passport No. 31057

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and visa was issued at Mexico City May 15, 1963. Her permanent address was given as J. M. Correa #196 Mexico DF Mexico, and address in United States given as "San Antonio and Houston, Texas" Departure record shows she departed the United States at Laredo on May 30, 1963. マン・バ

Also, one Hilda Wirthala Quezada-Alfaro, born May 18, 1957, Wexico, an immigrant, entered Laredo on March 5, 1962. The DIS alien file, A-12455579, for this person was located at Dictrict Office, INS, Atlanta, Georgia, as of Warch 9, 1962.

On April 9, 1964, a representative of the Federal Bureau of Investigation was advised that a search of the files of Central Office, INS, failed to disclose any I-94 forms, based on information furnished, for the following names:

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To: Legat, Mexico City (105-3702) (Enclosures - 2) 2 - Atlanta (105-3193) (Enclosure)

From: Director, FBI (105-82555) LEE HARVEY OSWALD IS - E - CUBA

Enclosed for Legat, Mexico City, are two copies of letterhead memorandum dated 4/17/64 setting forth results of check of records of Central Office, Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS), concerning the passengers on the Del Norte line buscs from Mexico City to Laredo 10/2-3/63. One copy of 4/17/64 letterhead is enclosed for Atlanta.

Legat handle leads in Mexico suggested by check of INS records. Note that according to your 4/17/64 letterhead memorandum there was total of 28 individuals, in addition to H. O. Lee, who traveled on buses in question during all or portion of the trip from Mexico City to Laredo. Bureau desires that efforts be made to locate and interview all of these individuals. Advise as to steps being taken in this regard.

For the information of Atlanta, Oswald is believed to have traveled under name H. O. Lee from Mexico City to Laredo via buses > of the Transportes del Norte Company. He left Mexico 8:30 a.m., U 10/2/63 on board bus number 332 which required change at Monterrey to Del Norte bus number 373. He arrived at Laredo at approximately , 2 a.m., morning of 10/3/63. He was assigned to seat 12, the window 70 2.0 geat, fourth row from front on driver's side. Records of bus company show that a feeder bus departing Guadalajara 8 a.m., 10/2/63 made connections with bus 332 at San Luis Potosi. Passengers for points beyond Monterrey changed to bus 373 as did H. O. Lee. On the feeder bus three reservations, one a half fair ticket, were held by a Hilda Note that enclosed Quezada, who was destined to Ruevo Laredo. (100-10461)^{1.105} 4 2 4 Tolson -Dallas elmont 🗕 -Mohr. Foreign Lisison Unit (Route through 'asinhan 📲-- 56 mai DeLoach

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letterhead memorandum refors to a Hilda Mirthala Quezada-Alfara, a Mexican immigrant child whose alien file was located as of 3/62 at Atlanta. Review her INS file in an effort to develop trace of the Hilda Quezada who traveled on 10/2-3/63 from Guadalajara to Nuevo Laredo. If that person and the other adult who accompanied her can be located, they are to be interviewed concorning details of bus trip in question and to ascertain if they can place Oswald on wither bus 332 or 373.

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WARY LOUISE CAMACHO, nee PATTERSON, born March 15, 1943, Chicago, Illinois, is the daughter of WILLIAM L. PATTERSON, Chairman of the New York State Communist Party (CP), and she is presently residing in the Soviet Union with her husband ROBERTO CAMACHO. Although not known to have been formally made a CP member, CAMACHO is apparently accepted as such and is being groomed for Party leadership responsibilities in the future. Her participation in CP sponsored and endorsed Marxist Youth activities, her attendance at and participation in other CP celebrations and activities, her attendance at the PATRICE LUMUMBA University in Moscow, her unauthorized travel to Red China, and other participation in communist-type activities further this conclusion.

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TO DIRECTOR FREN LEGAT MEXICO CITY NO. 578

BUFILE 105-82555. LEE HARVEY OSWALD, IS-R-CUBA.

FOLLOWING IS DAILY SUMMARY. RE OSWALD'S DEPARTURE FROM MEXICO. REVIEW OF TRANSPORTES DEL NORTE PASSENGER LIST OF OCTOBER 3 LAST IN LIGHT OF INFORMATION FROM SEVERAL PASSENGERS INDICATES GERMAN-AMERICAN SCHOOL TEACHER WHO VACATIONED IN YUCATAN MAY BE MARGARET A. WOLFF, CONCERNING WHOM NO RECORD LOCATED FOREGOING IN NEXICAN FM-11 FORMS OR U.S. IMMIGRATION RECORDS. SUGGESTS SHE MAY HAVE BEEN TRAVELING IN MEXICO WITH U.S. PASSPORT AND MEXICAN VISA. SUGGEST CHECK OF STATE DEPARTMENT PASSPORT RECORDS. THIS OFFICE WILL CHECK HOTELS AND TRAYEL AGENCIES AT MERIDA, YUCATAN.

RE ALLEGATION HOTEL DEL COMERCIO AND MYLET AND LHM APRIL 23 LAST. LAST WORD OF SECOND LINE, SUCOND PARAGRAPH, PAGE 8 OF REFERENCE LHM SHOULD BE "COMERCIO." PLEASE AMEND. IN ADDITION TO LEADS RECORDED IN REFERENCE COVER LETTER THIS OFFICE IS CHECKING PUBLIC RECORDS IN ALL CITIES FROM WHICH HOTEL GUESTS REGISTERED IN EFFORT TO LOCATE AND INTERVIEW ADDITIONAL PERSONS. ADDITIONAL SUMMARY TOMORROW.

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LEE HARVEY OSWALD, IS - R - CUBA. FOLLOWING IS DAILY SUMMARY.

FULLOWING IS CALL STORNEY LUIS ECHEVERRIA, ACTING MINISTER LATE YESTERDAY ATTORNEY LUIS ECHEVERRIA, ACTING MINISTER OF GOVERNMENT, ADVISED HE HAD JUST RECEIVED FROM MEXICAN FOREIGN OFFICE GOPY OF AVERICAN EMBASSY NOTE OF APRIL 10 LAST REQUESTING OFFICE GOPY OF AVERICAN EMBASSY NOTE OF APRIL 10 LAST REQUESTING OFFICE AVERICAN GOVERNMENT REFORT OF ITS INVESTIGATION OF SWALD'S ACTIVITIES HERE FOR PRESIDENTIAL COMMISSION. HE SAID OSWALD'S ACTIVITIES HERE FOR PRESIDENTIAL COMMISSION. HE SAID OFFICE HAD BEEN AWARE OF DELAY ON PART OF FOREIGN OFFICE IN OFFICE HAD BEEN AWARE OF DELAY ON PART OF FOREIGN OFFICE IN FORWARDING NOTE AND HAD SO ADVISED EMBASSY, WE TOOK NO DIRECT ACTION OF THE ENDASSY.

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

Dear Mr. Rankin:

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Prior to departing from Mexico City, Messrs. W. David Slawson and Howard P. Willens of your staff requested our representatives in Mexico to furnish information in several areas of interest to the Commission. Included among the material sought were an analysis of work hours of the Cuban and Soviet Consulates in Mexico and data concerning the operating procedures involved in obtaining Cuban transit visas.

It appears to us that the aforementioned areas of interest lie more properly within the province of the Central Intelligence Agency. Accordingly, you may desire to communicate with that Agency concerning your interest in the Cuban and Soviet Consulates in Mexico.] The Central Intelligence Agency is being advised of your interest as intelligence Agency is being advised of your interest.

Inquiry is being conducted into the Pother dreas of the Commission's interest as defined by Messrs. Slawson and Willens and the results thereof will be promptly furnished

to you. BY COURIER SVC. incorely yours J. Edgar Hon 011 BY LIAISON - Directorould-EBI Central-Intelligence Agency . dl 11. 53 Deputy Director, Plans Attention: Mone C 35.001 Calle Contac (SEE NOTE PAGE TWO Gale Rese Sulliva 564 Tavel Trotte Tele, Ro TELETYPE UNIT

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To: SAC, San Antonio (105-2908)

From: Director, FBI (105-82555) LEE HARVEY OSWALD IS - R - CUBA

Re Legat, Mexico City, letterhead memorandum 4/7/64 to which were attached seven photographs designated Exhibit D-202. Refer also to Bucab 4/17/64 to Legat, Mexico City, dealing with discrepancy between the 20 tickets in the trip envelope for 10/2-3/63 trip of bus 373 from Monterrey to Laredo and the figures on the face of the trip envelope which accounted for but 13 on the face of the trip envelope which accounted for but 13 passengers. The photographs of the trip envelope and the two portions of Del Norte line ticket 13688 have been furnished to the Cormission. These photographs have likewise been designated Exhibit D-202. The portions of ticket 13688 have been treated for latent fingerprints with negative results. Commission has been advised of this.

Legat, Mexico City, advises that officials of Del Norte Company at Honterrey are unable to explain discrepancy between number of tickets in trip envelope as compared to the entries on the face of the envelope. They explain that envelope is prepared by bus driver who may have erred. Further, that driver, Ibarra, by bus drives bus 373. Company officials state that number of regularly drives bus 373. Company officials state that number of bus as 396, which was entered on U. S. Customs form by baggage handler at Nuevo Laredo, was another error. It was possible bus 396 may have been at terminal in Nuevo Laredo ready to return to Nonterrey at time of arrival of bus 373, As result of which wpong bus number may have been entered on Government form as result of confusion of the two buses in terminal at same time.

Enclosed for San Antonio is the original trip envelope of bus 373 for trip in question. Display same to driver, Ibarra, to ascertain if he filled out face of envelope and if he signed same

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on back. Ascertain if he can explain discrepancy between number of canceled tickets in envelope and the 13 individuals accounted for on face of envelope. Upon completion of inquiry return the original trip envelope to Bureau.

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Enclosed for completion of Dallas' files are two copies each of the photographs of the trip envelope and ticket portions. Also enclosed for Dallas are two copies each of translations of the ticket portions and the trip envelope. Copies of photographs have been furnished to CIA. Commission has been informed of inability of Del Norte Company officials to explain discrepancy. · .. 4-17-E3)

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RE ALLEGATIONS CONCERVING ABNOLD LOUIS KESSLER. A HOMODONO ALCARAZ ARAGON INTERVIEWED AND STATES HE IS ACQUAIN WITH KESSLER WHO HAS NO CONNECTION WHATSOEVER WITH STEVE KENNAN. HE RELATED WAS IN CONTACT WITH KESSLER FOLLOWING ASSASSINATION AND NEVER HEARD ANY COMMENTS FROM HIM THAT HE KNEW OR HAD BEEN IN CONTACT WITH OSWALD. HE STATED KESSLER ADVISED HIM HE WAS TRYING TO LIVE DOWN STIGMA OF EARLIER LEFTIST ACTIVITIES AS HE IF NOT ALREADY HAD CHANGED OF INTONS IN THAT RESPECT. THEERVIEWED, LOS ANGELES DISCONTINUE EFFORTS TO LOCATE BARRI HILLFIAN.

RE OSWALD'S DEPARTURE FROM MEXICO. LOCAL EMBASSY SECURITY OFFICER ADVISED ON RETURN FROM PELIZE, BRITISH HONDURAS, HAD . INTERVIEWED LEIGHTON COLIN HINKSON AND LATTER'S FRIEND FRAME BLADES AND THEY ADVISED HAD DEPARTED MEXICO CITY BY BUS AT ADOUT 1 P.M. OCTOBER 2 LAST POSSIBLY ON TRANSPORTES FRONTERA. HEITHER COULD REGALL OSWALD. MEXICAN IMMIGRATION RECORDS DIS-CLOSE BLADES ENTERED AND DEFARTED MEXICO ON FM-6 FORM IN TRANSIT. HINKSON AND BLADES ARE NEGROES AND STATED HAD TRAVELED TO SAN ANTONIC TO PURCHASE AUTOMOBILE. SECURITY OFFICE SUBMITTING DETAILED REPORT OF INTERVIEWS.

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other types of travel documents iscued to individuals traveling other than as tourists, such as students, government officials, etc. Legat's 4/25/64 enble talks only of efforts to locate an FM-17 form. Believed necessary to point out to Legat we desire check of ell records of all classes of people entering and leaving or dates in question.

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April 28, 1964

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BASIS FOR INQUIRY

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A typewritten letter in Spanish, postmarked January 17, 1964, Mexico, D. F. (D. F. refers to "Distrito Federal" - Federal District or the Mexican Federal Capital), was sent to Attorney General ROBERT F. KENNEDY by one ERNESTO FLORES LUNA, not further identified.

The letter (translated from Spanish) states in part: "We take the liberty of reproducing with care cortain documents which arrived from Tapachula, State of Chiapas, addressed to OSWALD, assassin of your brother."

addressed by a clerk in the shoe store of VICTOR COHEN, FIDEL CASTRO's intimate friend and the man who was delivering shipments from him (CASTRO?) to OSWALD and three other people who were to assassinate President LOPEZ MATEOS of Mexico."

"R. The letter states that VICTOR COHEN was interested in the President of the United States and indicates that more documents possibly exist in COHEN's residence.

The writer of the letter claimed that COHEN was CASTRO's treasurer and that, prior to all this, COHEN was keeping various individuals of different nationalities in his house, including OSWALD, who was in Mexico looking for work and then went to Texas.

Although the letter, described above, indicated that enclosures were attached to it, the letter contained no enclosures.

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A confidential source abroad advised that on February 11, 1964, VICTOR COHEN_CHARAFF, 3d Calle Oriente No. 54, Tapachula, State of Chiapas, Mexico, was contacted It his clothing and general merchandise store, "La Nacional," located at 3d Calle Poniente 35 in Tapachula. After being briefly informed concerning the contents of the above letter, which indicated he was pro-FIDEL CASTRO and had been in contact with LEE HARVEY O3WALD, COHEN stated he would be happy to cooperate in any way possible to resolve the allegation. He related that he was not interested in politics -- the politics of the United States, of Cuba, or of any other nation. He denied that he was pro-CASTRO, knew CASTRO or any of his adherents, and that he had ever belonged to any CASTRO organization. He stated he would not belong to any organization which was pro-CASTRO.

He advised that he is a "practicing capitalist" with a prosperous business and extensive property holdings in Tapachula, where he hires forty employees, and his businesses occupy all his time. Because he considers himself to be prosperous and since he is Jewish, he believes he has many enemies.

COHEN claimed he was not acquainted with the name

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ERNESTO FLORES LUNA and stated he could not assist in any way in establishing possible reasons why the letter was forwarded with the implications made therein.

He stated he was unfamiliar with LEE HARVEY OSWALD and was unable to identify a photograph of OSWALD from a group of representative photographs. He stated he knew nothing about the visit of OSWALD to Mexico.

He was cooperative in furnishing samples from his typewriter for determination as to whether this typewriter was used in preparing the letter forwarded to Attorney General \mathcal{K} KENNEDY.

RESULT OF FBI LABORATORY EXAMINATION OF TYPEWRITER SAMPLES

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The confidential source abroad advised that on February 19, 1964, the original and carbon copy samples from the typewriter of VICTOR COHEN were submitted to the FBI Laboratory for comparison with the typewritten letter directed to ROBERT F. KENNEDY by ERNESTO FLORES LUNA.

The FBI Laboratory concluded in a report dated March 3, 1964, that the typewriter used to type the samples submitted from VICTOR COHEN's typewriter was not used to type the envelope and accompanying letter forwarded to "Sr. Robert of Kennedy" from ERNESTO FLORES LUNA.

ADDITIONAL EFFORTS TO IDENTIFY ERNESTO FLORES LUNA IN MEXICO, D. F.

T-2 advised that throughout February, March and April, 1954, continued efforts were made to locate and identify ERNESTO FLORES LUNA in Mexico, as follows:

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"Q232 and Q233, an envelope and accompanying letter to Oswald from 'Peter"

'Q234 and Q235, an envelope and accompanying letter to Mr. Robert Kennedy from 'Mario del Rosario Molina'"

The above conclusion of the FBI Laboratory was not set out in the enclosure because the Mexico City office does not possess previous information in this matter and it is considered that the Dallas office will include this in a subsequent report.

Inasmuch as the allegations made by ERNESTO FLORES LUNA concerning VICTOR COHEN are considered to be fallacious and ERNESTO FLORES LUNA did not furnish an address or other identifying data regarding himself, UACB no further inquiries will be made to attempt to identify ERNESTO FLORES LUNA.

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Confidential source abroad is SA Richard S. Clark

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At Mexico, D. F., Mexico

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Director, FBI (105-82555)

Date: 4/28/64





Re Mexico City letter to the Bureau and letterhead memorandum dated 4/7/64.

For the information of the Houston office, OSWALD is believed to have traveled under the name H. O. LEE from Mexico City to Laredo, Texas, via buses of the Transportes del Norte bus company. He left Mexico City at 8:30 a.m. on October 2, 1963, on board bus No. 332, which required a change at Monterrey to Transportes del Norte bus No. 373. He arrived at Laredo, Texas, at approximately 2:00 a.m. on the morning of October 3, 1963. He was assigned seat No. 12, a window seat located four rows from the front on the driver's side. It is believed he departed Laredo at 3:00 a.m. on October 3, 1963, on a Greyhound bus en route to Dallas, Texas, via San Antonio.

One of the passengers who boarded bus No. 332 at Mexico City and continued the trip to Laredo, also boarding the Greyhound bus which departed Laredo at 3:00 a.m. on October 3, 1963, for the trip north, has identified profile photographs of OSWALD as being of an American youth, whom he recalled for the first time as having boarded bus No. 373 in Monterrey. He also recalled the American youth boarding the bus at Nuevo Laredo, Tamaulipas, Mexico, after the stop there and prior to its crossing the International Bridge into Laredo.

This passenger, ANASTASIO RUIZ MEZA, who is a resident of Mexico City and who was seated in seat No. 15 9- Bureau (1 - Liaison Section) (2 - Dallas, 100-10461) (2 - Houston, 105-1291) (1 - San Antonio, 105-2909) (Info.) 1 - Mexico City HJP: jhk (10) $\mathcal{HCC} - \mathcal{HCuston}(Approp Action$ (10) $<math>\mathcal{HCC} - \mathcal{HCUston}(Approp Action$ $(10) \mathcal{HCC} - \mathcal{HCUston}(Approp Action$ (

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on bus No. 332, upon interview on April 5, 1964, furnished some detail regarding other passengers he recalled being on the bus. He remembered that seated directly in front of him (seat No. 11) was an individual he believed to be a Mexican, who was traveling to Houston, Texas, and left the bus at San Antonio, Texas; however, he could furnish no information as to whether this person is a resident of Mexico or the United States. (The Transportes del Norte manifest for bus No. 332, which departed Mexico City on October 2, 1963, lists space for one AUGUSTO AGUILAR in seat No. 11, which is the seat located directly in front of seat No. 15. AGUILAR's destination is listed as Houston.)

Upon reinterview on April 27, 1964, RUIZ MEZA advised he recalled that the person who had been seated in front of him and who may be identical with AUGUSTO AGUILAR was going to a Protestant religious convention which was being held in Houston. He stated that on occasion during the trip this individual was reading a Bible. RUIZ MEZA described the person as being about 44 years of age, with black hair, balding at the crown, five feet six inches in height, weighing about 185 pounds, of stocky build and dark complexion. Upon further reflection, RUIZ MEZA stated that he believed this person resided in Mexico City but added that he was not certain.

Efforts to identify AUGUSTO AGUILAR and several other passengers on bus No. 332 have been unsuccessful to date. Efforts are continuing to identify other bus passengers who may be in a position to furnish information regarding OSWALD and to further confirm OSWALD's mode of travel upon departure from Mexico in October, 1963.

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At Houston, Texas

Through appropriate Mexican-American sources, will attempt to ascertain whether or not there may have been a

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