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Re: PERSONNEL MATTERS

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1361	12-5-63	SAC MEMO FILE	2	2	(b)(1) REFERENCE ADD MAT REC 2-82
1362	12-6-63	SAC MEMO FILE	1	1	NONE
1363	1-11-61	NIS LETTER	1	0	PREVIOUSLY PROCESSED BU00-10461-1
1364	2-28-61	DL LET NO	2	0	" " HQ 105-82555-54
1365	4-28-61	DL LET NO	2	0	" " DL 100-10461-4
1366	4-27-61	NO LET DL	3	0	" " HQ 105-82555-54
1367	9-8-61	HOWE MEMO	1	0	" " DL 100-10461-9
1368	10-R-61	NIS LET	2	0	" " DL 100-10461-11
1369	10-27-61	FBI, DL LET NIS	1	0	" " DL 100-10461-12
1370	6-8-62	FT. WORTH PRESS ARTICLE	1	0	" " DL 100-10461-22
1371	6-8-62	FT. WORTH STAR TELEGRAM ARTICLE	1	0	" " DL 100-10461-23
1372	10-17-62	NY LET DL	2	0	" " DL 100-10461-33

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1373	5-28-63	HOSTY MEMO	1	0	REWORKY ACCESSED DUND-10461-35
1374	7-17-63	NO LETTER DL	1	0	" " " DL 100-10461-36
1375	6-27-63	NY LET DL	1	0	" " " DL 100-10461-37
1376	7-19-62	HOSTY MEMO	2	0	" " " DL 100-10461-29
1377	5-28-63	HOSTY MEMO	1	0	" " " DL 100-10461-35
1378	7-29-63	DL LET NO	1	0	" " " DL 100-10461-38
1379	8-13-63	NO LET DL	1	0	" " " DL 100-10461-39
1380	9-27-63	NO LET DL	1	0	" " " DL 105-1435-10
1381	10-2-63	NO LET DL	2	0	" " " DL 100-10461-46
1382	12-4-63	DL TELETYPE FBIND	1	0	" " " 1-10105-82555-NR 19003
1383	12-8-63	DL MEMO	24	24	(b)(1) refer CHA <small>ADD. AMT. REL. 2-82</small>
1384	12-8-63	DL AIRTEL FBIND	3	3	NONE

Memorandum

TO : FILE (100-10461)

DATE: 12/5/63

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FROM : SAC SHANKLIN

SUBJECT: LEE HARVEY OSWALD, aka  
IS-R-CUBA

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED  
HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED  
EXCEPT WHERE SHOWN  
OTHERWISE

At 3:30 PM today Assistant Director JAMES H. GALE telephonically requested that the following information be obtained and furnished to the Bureau.

(1) Why didn't Dallas recommend OSWALD be placed on the Security Index? Explanations to be obtained from all Agents who have had this assigned.

(2) Why didn't Dallas interview the wife prior to the assassination?

(3) Why didn't Dallas conduct additional investigation concerning OSWALD after he returned from the USSR? Why did the only investigation conducted at that time consist of interviewing OSWALD, interviews with Govt. officials, three of his relatives, and two CP informants?

(4) During the course of investigation by SAS JOHN W. FAIN & B. TOM CARTER, why did Dallas not ask OSWALD why he was contacted by MVD? The report indicates that he was asked whether or not he has an espionage assignment and he said "No". He was asked whether or not he had furnished RUSSIA information, and he said "No." He said he had been contacted by the MVD, but he never said why. Why was it Dallas never questioned him as to whether he furnished a signed statement with Dept. of State, indicating that he affirmed his allegiance to the Union of Soviet Socialistic Republics?

(5) Why was he not questioned re above? Explanations to be furnished as to why not.

✓ (6) Why was no report submitted by Dallas from 3/25/63 until 8/23/63 concerning a lead to determine OSWALD's employment? Why the delay?

6 (7) There has been no report concerning the lead on 3/25/63 to consider interviewing Mrs. OSWALD. Explain why not. 67-275-138/

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(5)

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7 (5) State what Dallas did from 11/1/63 to 11/22/63 on this case. Asst. Director GALE stated they have teletype dated 11/25/63. He wants explanations as to why OSWALD was not contacted when it was learned that he had <sup>been in</sup> contact with Legat in Mexico.

*Discussed for CIA later 1-12-68*

8 (9) [REDACTED]

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9 (10) Why did it take Dallas from 11/1/63 to 11/4/63 to advise Little Rock to discontinue efforts to locate OSWALD; thereby necessitating Little Rock communication of 11/5/63?

10 (11) [REDACTED]

11 (12) Dallas airtel of 8/23/63 indicates subject moved after 3/25/63. When did Dallas get the fact that he moved?

Mr. GALE said they would like to have a copy (photostatic) of every communication in that file which has not been furnished to Bureau. Also every communication in Mrs. OSWALD's file which has not been furnished to Bureau.

12 (13) On 4/21/63, according to report of SA JAMES P. HOSTY, OSWALD was in contact with the Fair Play for Cuba Committee. Why wasn't that reported until 9/10/63?

13 (14) Exactly what steps did Dallas take to intensify investigation after information was received on 10/18/63 that subject had been in contact with Soviet Embassy?

*Discussed for CIA later 1-12-68*

14 (15) Did we furnish any information to Secret Service, Dallas concerning OSWALD? Was any information furnished to Dallas Police?

15 (16) Have we been giving Dallas police information on other people, and if so, under what circumstances? Specifically, have we given Dallas Police any information concerning individuals and their subversive backgrounds?

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Re: LEE HARVEY OSWALD, aka  
IS - R - CUBA  
Bufile 105-82555  
Dallas 100-10461  
(OO: Dallas)

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MARINA NIKOLAEVNA OSWALD, nee  
IS - R  
Bufile 105-82555  
Dallas 105-1435  
(OO: Dallas)

The case on LEE HARVEY OSWALD was initially opened in the Dallas Field Division on 1/13/61, assigned to former SA JOHN W. FAIN (retired), and supervised on the desk of then ASAC DAVID W. BREEN.

Above case was closed by report of former SA FAIN dated 7/3/61, this being approved by ASAC BREEN.

The LEE OSWALD case was reopened on 9/5/61, assigned to SA KENNETH C. HOWE, reassigned to SA FAIN 9/11/61, and was supervised on the desk of ASAC KYLE G. CLARK.

The case was closed by letter to Bureau, 11/20/61.

Case was reopened and assigned to former SA FAIN 5/7/62, and at this time was supervised on the desk of SA Supervisor KENNETH C. HOWE.

The case was closed by the report of SA FAIN dated 8/30/62, approved by Supervisor HOWE.

The case was reopened 3/26/63, assigned to SA JAMES P. HOSTY, JR., and supervised on the desk of Supervisor HOWE.

The case was RUC'd on 9/10/63 to New Orleans, the new office of origin.

The LEE OSWALD case was placed in line for additional investigation by SA HOSTY on 10/3/63 on the basis of receipt of New Orleans airtel to Dallas dated 10/2/63. The case has been assigned to SA HOSTY, and supervised by SA HOWE since that time.

The case on MARINA NIKOLAEVNA OSWALD was opened as an individual case on 7/19/62, assigned to former SA FAIN and supervised by SA HOWE. It was placed in pending inactive status by letter to the Bureau dated 7/25/62.

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SAS Hosty, Howe, B.T. ...  
- Harold ...*

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The case was reassigned to SA HOSTY 10/23/62 and was made active at the expiration of the six months period

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The case on MARINA OSWALD was RUC'd to the New Orleans Division by FD-128 dated 9/10/63.

The case was reopened on 10/1/63, assigned to SA HOSTY, and supervised by SA HOWE. It has been in a pending active status since, assigned to SA HOSTY and supervised by SA HOWE.

CURTIS O. LYNUM was SAC of the Dallas Division until his departure on transfer to San Francisco on 4/18/63.

J. GORDON SHANKLIN has been SAC of the Dallas Field Division since his arrival on 4/22/63.

In the following, in the interests of clarity, the questions propounded by Assistant Director GALE in his telephone call to the Dallas Office on 12/5/63 are set out and numbered, with the answer to each one as obtained from the Agents involved immediately following the question.

Answers of supervisory personnel are at the end of the communication.

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FD-128 from New Orleans to the Bureau and Dallas, dated 11/15/63, changed origin to Dallas in the MARINA OSWALD case and assured Dallas it was in possession of all pertinent data in New Orleans files. An FD-128 changing origin to Dallas in the LEE HARVEY OSWALD case from New Orleans to the Bureau and Dallas, dated 11/19/63, was received in Dallas on 11/21/63. This enclosed a recent New Orleans Police Department picture of subject not previously in the possession of Dallas.

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All facts known in this investigation up until the above time, with the possible exception of information indicating LEE OSWALD had been in contact with the Soviet Embassy in Mexico City, which matter is commented upon later herein, indicated the most important objective of the investigation to be the interview of MARINA OSWALD under the provisions of the SOBIR program, and the investigation was designed to avoid having MARINA OSWALD gain the impression she was being harassed or "hounded" because of her immigrant status in order that the interview when conducted might be as productive as possible. X U.

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(7) State what Dallas did from 11/1/63 to 11/22/63 on this case. Explain why OSWALD was not contacted when it was learned he had been in contact with the Soviet Embassy in Mexico.

*declared per CIA letter  
dated 1-02-87*

SA JAMES P. HOSTY, JR.

On 11/1/63, after investigation had been conducted on the few days prior thereto establishing her reliability, Mrs. MICHAEL R. (RUTH) PAINE was interviewed at 2515 West 5th Street, Irving, Texas. This resulted in verification of the fact MARINA OSWALD was residing at that address and further established that LEE OSWALD was visiting there periodically, but was working at the Texas School Book Depository Company in Dallas and residing in Dallas at an unknown address.

On 11/4/63, Dallas directed a letter to the Bureau and the New Orleans and Little Rock offices reporting the verification of MARINA OSWALD's address and the information concerning LEE OSWALD.

On 11/5/63, Mrs. PAINE was again interviewed but as of this time had no additional information concerning LEE OSWALD's residence address in Dallas.

Additional remarks pertinent and responsive here are contained in the answer to questions #2 and #13.

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(13) Exactly what steps did Dallas take to intensify investigation after information was received on 10/18/63 that subject had been in contact with the Soviet Embassy?

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letter dtd 10/12-82*

SA JAMES P. HOSTY, JR.

In response to this question, the following investigative steps are set forth:

On 10/18/63, Dallas Confidential Informant T-1 (DOROTHY REEDER, U. S. Post Office, Fort Worth, Texas) advised that in March, 1963, ROBERT L. OSWALD of 7313 Davenport Avenue, Fort Worth, Texas, moved from Fort Worth to Box 32-C, Malvern, Arkansas.

On 10/18/63, Mrs. EDITH SHANNON, 2701 Mercedes Street, Fort Worth, Texas, advised she could not recall LEE OSWALD or his wife when they lived at 2703 Mercedes Street, Fort Worth.

On 10/18/63, Mrs. M. M. BOYD, 2705 Mercedes Street, Fort Worth, Texas, advised she could not recall LEE OSWALD when he resided at 2703 Mercedes Street, Fort Worth.

On 10/29/63, a pretext interview by me at 2919 West 5th Street, Irving, Texas, reflected Mrs. RUTH PAINE resided at 2515 West 5th Street. Mrs. PAINE was separated from her husband, MICHAEL R. PAINE. It was determined that Mrs. PAINE was employed at St. Mark's School, Dallas, Texas, on a part-time basis as a teacher of the Russian language and she had a Russian-born woman living with her. This Russian-born woman gave birth to a girl about a week ago and Mrs. PAINE was taking care of this woman. It was determined the husband of the Russian-born woman visited his wife at this address periodically but did not reside there.

On 10/31/63, Mrs. DOROTHY SMITH, Irving, Texas, Credit Bureau, advised they had a credit record for MICHAEL R. PAINE and his wife, RUTH PAINE, who resided at 2515 West 5th Street, Irving, Texas. Mrs. SMITH advised their credit was satisfactory and Mr. PAINE

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LEE OSWALD in Dallas, Texas, but she would furnish it to the FBI as soon as she was able to obtain it. Mrs. PAINE advised that LEE OSWALD had visited his wife, MARINA OSWALD, on 11/2 and 3/63, at Irving, Texas. ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

Mrs. PAINE then expressed the opinion that she considered LEE OSWALD to be a very illogical person and recalled he admitted to her being a "Trotskyite Communist."

At this point, investigation was held in abeyance since Dallas wanted to be certain it was in possession of all information the New Orleans Office had in this matter in order that additional investigation and a possible interview of MARINA OSWALD might be conducted with absolute insurance we were in possession of all pertinent facts. This was felt warranted despite the information received shortly prior to that time to the effect LEE OSWALD had been in touch with the Soviet Embassy in Mexico City, since the investigation as reflected above established LEE OSWALD was in the U. S., in the Dallas area, and was employed in a non-strategic position where he would not have access to information important to the national defense.

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SUPERVISOR KENNETH C. HOWE

The cases of LEE HARVEY OSWALD and MARINA NIKOLAEVNA OSWALD were supervised on my desk from the time of the return of these subjects to the United States up to the present.

I have reviewed the answers given in the foregoing and am in agreement with them. With respect to the answers to questions 5 and 6, I agree with Agent HOSTY's comment it possibly would have been better to have reported to the Bureau prior to 8/23/63 the investigative steps taken up until that time. I did confer with Agent HOSTY in connection with the investigation of the case to assure it was proceeding insofar as the investigation itself was concerned toward the important and proper objective of an interview under the best circumstances possible with MARINA OSWALD under the SOBIR program.

I was cognizant of the receipt of information on 10/18/63 indicating the possibility LEE OSWALD had been in touch with the Soviet Embassy in Mexico City, and the verification of this received on 10/25/63 in the enclosures to New Orleans airtel to the Bureau and Dallas dated 10/24/63. I discussed the matter with SA HOSTY and it is noted the investigation was considerably accelerated at that time. SA HOSTY similarly discussed with me the awaiting of a change of origin to Dallas following 11/5/63 before engaging in further intensive investigation in order that we might be certain we had all information in the possession of New Orleans prior to proceeding.

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With respect to the answer to question 8, the closing of the investigation on LEE OSWALD upon submission of SA FAIN's report of 8/30/63, was approved with knowledge and intention the case would be reopened for additional handling in the not too distant future. The investigation on MARINA OSWALD had prior to this time been opened and was being kept in a pending inactive status. This investigation was in line, therefore, for reactivation and I distinctly remember setting up my tickler on the LEE OSWALD case at the time it was closed to insure the reopening of this case on or about the time the MARINA OSWALD case was reactivated.

*Well as per as [unclear] 12-82*

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