UNITED STATES GOV 1 - DeLoach April 24, 1964 - Sullivan - Malley - Branigan 1 - Rose 1 - Lenihan LEE HARVEY OSWALD SUBJECT: INTERNAL SECURITY - RUSSIA - CUBA During a conversation on 4/13/64 Mr. J. Lee Rankin of the President's Commission asked Inspector Malley whether the FBI had contacted all informants for information concerning any connection Oswald may have had with the Communist Party (CP). The Commission, by letter dated 4/22/64, asked if this Bureau possessed any information not hitherto disclosed to the Commission concerning the association of Lee Harvey Oswald with any communist or subversive organizations or individuals either in the United States or abroad,

or with any criminals or criminal groups either in the United States or abroad.

All information contained in Bureau files and information developed subsequent to the assassination of President Kennedy has been furnished to the Commission. Bureau teletype to all offices under the caption "Assassination of President John F. Kennedy," dated 11/22/63, instructed that all informants, security, racial and criminal, as well as other sources, be contacted for information bearing on the assassination of President Kennedy. Bureau airtel 4/15/64 to all offices with copies to Legat, Mexico City, captioned "Lee Harvey Oswald, IS - R - Cuba," instructed that all security informants and potential security informants, this to include Nation of Islam, CP, Socialist Workers Party, espionage, etc., informants be contacted to determine if any possess information regarding Oswald or his activities. To date contacts with live informants have developed no information to indicate Oswald was a member of the CP or any subversive organization, and information developed through sources other than live informants has been disseminated to the Commission. All but 23 offices and Local, Mexico City, have replied REC 23 to Bureau airtel dated 4/15/64.

ACTION:

There is attached for approval a cablegram to Legat, Mexico City, and a teletype to all offices that have not replied to Eureau airtel 4/15/64 instructing that the requested information be submitted to reach the Bureau by 4/27/64. Upon receipt of this information an appropriate letter will be furnished to the Commission.

Enclosures : 105-82555

emorandum 1 - Mr. Belmont 1 - Mr. Sullivan 1 - Mr. Malley DATE: 4-28-64 SULLIVAN /1C TO l - Mr. Lenihan FROM 1 - Mr. Branigan SUBJECT: LEE HARVEY OSMALD INTERNAL SECURITY - RUSSIA - CUBA Pursuant to the request of Mr. Wesley Liebeler, contacted him with reference to the Commission's letter of 4-14-64. In this letter the Commission requested that it be furnished the originals of certain items of correspondence between the subject and the Communist Party; the subject and the Socialist Workers Party; and the subject and the Fair Play for Cuba Committee (FPCC). Mr. Liebeler requested that we locate in our files and furnish the original of a letter from the FPCC to Oswald dated 5-22-63. He noted that this was furnished as Exhibit 52 of the Bureau's report on the President's assassination. Mr. Liebeler requested a similar letter to Oswald dated 5-29-63 which is exhibit 53 in the Bureau's report on the President's assassination. Mr. Liebeler noted that these items may have already been furnished to the Commission but he did not think so since none of the men could remember them. Hr. Liebeler further requested that the Commission be furnished the original of a letter from Farrell Dobbs to Oswald dated 11-5-62 which was referred to on page 258 of the report of SA Robert Gemberling dated 1-22-64. Liebeler requested that the Commission be furnished the original of a letter from Bob Chester to Oswald dated 12-9-62 which was referred to on page 260 of SA Gemberling's report. Liebeler requested any other letters which may have been sent from officials of the Sochlist Workers Party or the FPCC to Oswald. KEC 23 ACTION: 105-82555-3566 The letters referred to are being located_in_our_files and will be promptly furnished to the Commission. 9 MAY 6 1964 JYAB: hrt (6),*Handled by Bureau letters to the Commission ERG dated 4-14, 4-15 and 4-16-64. 4123/64 RELIPITATE