

FBI/Pre-Assassination File on Oswald

1. SAC, Dallas to Director 9/29/1961 105-82555-18

FBI has file on Oswald when he was in Russia. When and under what circumstances prompted it to open an Oswald file?

Slug line IS – C (Internal security/Communism)

Note that FBI also made contact with brother Robert on 9/18/1961 who reported a letter he just received from Lee.

Note also: This report was originally filed in a 105-126032 (obliterated)

2. SAC NY to Director 6/12/1962 105-82555-26

FBI learns from INS that Oswald is returning to NY on "S S Maasdam." And accompanied by wife and daughter June. Also notes that INS was alerted by the office of Naval Personnel about Oswald's return. INS notified local DIO, 3<sup>rd</sup> ND?? Is this Defense Intelligence Office???? NY FBI to take no action.

3. SAC, WFO to Director 6/6/1962 105-82555-25

Dallas FO alerted to Oswald return to Dallas. FBI to interview LHO to determine if recruited by Soviet intelligence. Slug line IS R (Character of case is IS R)

4. SAC< NY to Director 6/26/1962 105-82555-27

FBI relied on INS inspector to interview him when ship docked in NY. FBI received report of the interview.

5. Fain report 7/10/1962 105-82555-28

Reveals FBI intense interest in Oswald. See administrative record attached.

Fain/Carter interview w/ Oswald on 6/26/1962 when O refused to take polygraph. .

. was he recruited by Soviet intelligence. A copy of report sent to ONI.

6. Fain report of 7/6/1963 interview w/ Oswald 105-82555-28 This is a 14 page report. Only 2 pages copied here.

7. SAC, Dallas to Director 7/25/1962 105-82555-29

Notes that a file will be opened on Marina Oswald. LHO file now on inactive status but will be reopened again after 6 months for any warranted action.

8. Legat, Paris to Director 11/3/1960 105-82555-S (security risk?) Oswald failed to show up at Albert Schweitzer College. Suspicious about his turning up in Moscow

9. SAC WFO to Director 5/23/1961 105-82555-14

FBI kept up on Oswald in Russia. This is info. about LHO's request to leave Russia to the US Embassy in Moscow

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10. Hoover to Office of Security/State Dept 2/27/1961 105-82555-13  
Hoover notifies that Oswald never showed up at AS College. Notes that ONI advised that Oswald received undesirable discharge from US Marine Reserves

11. 9-page report by Fain 6/23-30 1961 105-82555-16 NC

12. SAC WFO to Director 9/1/1961 105-82555-17  
FBI reviewing Oswald's passport file. Keeping tabs on his request to return to the US. Moscow US Embassy application for return to US with "conditions." FBI will keep touch with Marguerite to determine when Oswald will return. FBI will interview to be sure he is not a sleeper agent for KGB, etc. FBI has on going interest in LHO.

13. State Dept memo to Hoover re: defectors 105-82555-NR May 17, 1962.  
Purpose here is the FBI will interview when he returns.

14. Director to SAC, Dallas 5/31/1962 105-82555-24  
Makes clear that FBI is concerned that Oswald might have turned over secrets to Soviets. Memo notes that Bufiles reveal "that subject did not have access to classified information." This is not accurate. See Donovan's testimony. When he gets state side he is to be interviewed to determine what info he turned over to the Soviets. (All this should have been the work of ONI and CIA). See attached 14A for follow up.

15. SAC, NY to Director 5/23/1960 105-82555-NR  
Notes that Marguerite's letters to Lee in Moscow and they were returned. FBI concerned that Lee took his birth certificate with him and now possibility that someone has it and assumed his identity. Soviet espionage purposes, etc. FBI suspicions\*\*\*\*\* See 15A attached.

16 Dept of State telegram 11/9/1959 105-82555-6  
First FBI learns about Oswald's intentions to renounce citizenship for Soviet entry. Came from step-brother Pic. See attached 16A.

17. American Embassy Moscow 11/2/1959 105-82555-4  
Details about Oswald's Embassy visit in October and his intentions to become Soviet citizen. Notes Oswald offered Soviets he would offer info about his specialty. Attachment shows that FBI flash turned over to Espionage Div. 5 of bureau

18. Branigan to <sup>Belmont</sup> Sullivan 11/4/1959 105-82555-3  
Oswald's "defection" is noted. P. 2 ONI will take no action!!!! Notes that subject has "no strategic info benefit to Soviets. . .no action warranted by the Bureau. This does change. Name file w/ Espionage Division.

*Hoover  
concerned over  
Oswald  
imposter*

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19. Naval Message Nov. 1959 Notes he may have access to Confidential info. (Secret as Donovan noted). And not a word about "crypto" clearance. 105-82555-NR