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VERY URGENT *the* 11-25-63
TO DIRECTOR
FROM LEGAT MEXICO CITY *Very* NO. 181

LEE HARVEY OSWALD, IS - R.
AMBASSADOR MANN IS GREATLY CONCERNED THAT CUBANS POSSIBLY BEHIND SUBJECT'S ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT. HE FEELS THAT BOTH WE AND CIA DOING EVERYTHING POSSIBLE HERE TO ESTABLISH OR REFUTE CUBAN CONNECTION BUT THAT NO STONE MUST BE LEFT UNTURNED. LATE THIS AFTERNOON AMBASSADOR, WHILE DISCUSSING ANOTHER MATTER WITH ROBERT SAYRE, MEXICAN DESK OFFICER IN STATE DEPARTMENT, SUGGESTED IT WOULD BE MOST DESIRABLE TO HAVE BUREAU REPRESENTATIVE FROM WASHINGTON SPEND FEW DAYS IN MEXICO CITY TO FILL HIM AND US IN ON FULL SCOPE OF CASE IN U.S. AND TO MAKE SUGGESTIONS FOR INVESTIGATION HERE IN ADDITION TO WHAT WE ARE ALREADY DOING.

SAYRE AND KENNEDY CROCKETT, ANOTHER STATE DEPARTMENT OFFICER, QUESTIONED WISDOM OF AMBASSADOR'S SUGGESTION, POINTING OUT BUREAU HAS REPRESENTATIVE HERE WHO IS DOUBTLESS RECEIVING ALL PERTINENT INFO FROM U.S. AND IS THOROUGHLY FAMILIAR WITH HANDLING INVESTIGATIONS IN MEXICO. THIS AROUSED AMBASSADORIAL IRE. AMBASSADOR DID NOT CONSULT ME PRIOR TO HIS CALL TO SAYRE BUT DID SO THEREAFTER. HE EMPHASIZED TO ME THAT HE IS MOST SATISFIED WITH OUR WORK BUT FEELS NOTHING MUST BE LEFT UNDONE TO RESOLVE THIS MATTER. HE ASKED MY OPINION CONCERNING ADVISABILITY OF SOMEONE FROM BUREAU COMING TO MEXICO. WHILE OF NECESSITY ASSURING HIM THAT WE ARE IN COMPLETE ACCORD WITH COOPERATING WITH HIM IN EVERY WAY POSSIBLE, THE LEGAT TACTFULLY TRIED TO POINT OUT THAT BUREAU IS FURNISHING US ALL

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FROM LEGAT MEXICO

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PERTINENT INFO AND IT WOULD APPEAR UNNECESSARY TO HAVE A BUREAU REPRESENTATIVE COME HERE FROM WASHINGTON FOR PURPOSES OUTLINED BY HIM. THE AMBASSADOR WAS NOT TO BE DISSUADED AND TONIGHT SENT A CABLE TO SECRETARY RUSK REITERATING HIS REQUEST.

THIS IS FOR BUREAU INFO. LEGAT FEELS NO USEFUL PURPOSE WOULD BE SERVED BY HAVING BUREAU REPRESENTATIVE COME HERE. IF STATE PASSES AMBASSADOR'S REQUEST TO BUREAU IT IS SUGGESTED REQUEST BE TACTFULLY DENIED WITHOUT LEGAT RECOMMENDATIONS BEING MENTIONED TO STATE.

IT IS DESIRED TO EMPHASIZE THAT OUR RELATIONS WITH AMBASSADOR ARE EXCELLENT AND HE IS MOST OUTSTANDING AMBASSADOR WITH WHOM LEGAT HAS EVER WORKED. THERE IS NO QUESTION AS TO SINCERITY OF HIS MOTIVES. HE HAS BEEN THROUGH A MOST TRYING THREE DAYS AND PROBABLY HIS REQUEST WOULD NOT HAVE BEEN MADE UNDER MORE NORMAL CONDITIONS.

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