

The Case for a False Oswald

Phone calls/visits on 9/27

UIM calls Sov. Military Attache looking for visa to Odessa. Told to go to Embassy.

Transcriber of call notes conversation was all in Spanish. Call logged at 10:30

10:37 UM called Sov. Embassy told to call back at 11:30. Conversation all in Spanish (LR 73-74)

1:25 UM calls Sov. Embassy asks for consul. Consul not in. Conversation all in Spanish. (74)

At 4:05 Durna calls the Sov. Embassy. Says an American is at Consulate. This follows what is in the WCR. Sov. Official says to call back.

4:26 Sov. Official calls back to speak to Duran. Sov. Official essentially identifies an American who was at Sov. Embassy earlier (sent there by Duran) Relates bad news to S Duran about visa to Odessa. (76)

9/28 Saturday Was Oswald at Consulate on 9/28 Duran swore he was not

11:51 Duran calls Sov. Consulate. The American was at Cuban Consulate when Sov, official asks to speak to him. Conversation in Russian. Trans notes that American "speaks terrible, hardly recognizable Russian." (77)

October 1 call to the Sov. Consulate. Spoke to guard Obyedkov and introduced himself as "Lee Oswald." He wanted to know if Washington (Sov Embassy) had received an answer from Moscow about his visa. (79) Mentions that he thought had had spoken previously with Kostikov. . . Oswald thought he had. Transcriber will note that Oct. 1 caller had called on 9/28 Same caller who called a day or two before (Saturday) LR 78. The man repeated that his name was Oswald (79).

Note the importance MCS attached to this Oct 1 call. . . .

Note: MCS received daily transcriptions of all intercepted phone conversations with the Sov embassy and military attache's office. (73)

Questions: How to treat the photo of the "Mystery Man," This was bogus. CIA MCS had to know this. It sent this photo along with the tapes of "Oswald" phone conversations (what dates). FBI rejects both pix and tape as Oswald. Later retracts. Why the MM disinformation operation? To divert attention away from captures pix of Oswald (with others) entering the Cuban Consulate, etc.

Points to make: N+MCS apparently never informed Langley of the "Oswald" contacts at the Cuban Consulate on 9/27 and 9/28. .It never told the FBI until 11/22 of these contacts. MCS makes connections linking Oswald of Oct 1 call with 9/28 call to Sov Embassy.

CIA explains why it did not disseminate LHO's 27 and 28 visits to Sovt. Embassy, etc. Contacts with Commies. It had no investigative responsibility, etc. until 11/22. Oswald

Some info was at Consulate

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was not its investigative responsibility. LR/ Whitten put the lie to this. LR123/4. See Whitten on this: Keen interest of Hoover in any American contacting a bloc country, especially true of Oswald as a former defector, etc. FBI had a pre-assassination security file on Oswald (ref. Fonzi). Hoover/CIA had an understanding says Whitten. Notes that the transcripts on the 9/27 and 9/28 calls from "Oswald" would have been at MCS by 9/30. (125)

Duran's "Oswald." Her description to the Mex. Security forces 186 Supported in this by Azcue (HSCA testimony) on "Oswald's" description. Duran's description of Oswald in her first statement (was this to Gobernacion) does not appear in the WCR CE 2120 (186). Note it was MCS that had Duran arrested the first time. This was against Whitten's advice.

Duran's Oswald showed her newsclippings, FPCC membership and Communist Party Membership card. Duran says she became suspicious because US CP members arranged visas to Cuba with the Cuban Communist Party. Picked up their visas at the Cuban Consulate; hassle-free. (193). Her "Oswald" said he did not have the time.

Do I want to ask about Durna? Was she a CPer or a US agent or informer for Mexican security forces, etc. MCS had an interest in her. See Win Scott (198) re: Carlos Lechuga.

p. 199 Phillips allowed that she should have had a thick file.

p. 200 when HSCA asked for her "P" file CIA reported it had none. See FBI Referrals on this.

Pixs of Oswald:

Evidence of pixs.

p. 88 Win Scott's safe contents. His MS notes that Oswald asked for financial aide from Russ and Cubans. This is not in transcripts.

on 9/28?