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An investigative file was opened on subject at Dallas on July 19, 1962, and investigation was subsequently conducted at Dallas and Fort Worth, Texas, and New Orleans, Louisiana, and was reported by interoffice letters and letters to Bureau. Following the assassination of President JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY on 11/22/63, for which crime subject's husband, LEE HARVEY OSWALD, was arrested on 11/22/63, at Dallas, subsequent investigation pertaining to OSWALD and subject was reported in Dallas files entitled, "ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY, 11/22/63, Dallas, Texas, ASSAULTING FEDERAL OFFICER," Dallas file 89-43, Bureau file 62-109060, and "LEE HARVEY OSWALD, aka., IS - R - CUBA," Dallas file 100-10461, Bureau file 105-82555. No previous report has been written concerning MARINA OSWALD.

The Bureau's attention is directed to two reports which directly concern the activities and contacts of MARINA OSWALD at Dallas from the period February 24, 1964, through March 12, 1964, in the matter entitled, "LEE HARVEY OSWALD, aka., IS - RUSSIA - CUBA" reports being dated March 21, 1964, and March 23, 1964, prepared by SA MILTON L. NEWSOM. Information contained in these reports is not herein included.

MARINA OSWALD has been interviewed on numerous occasions since the assassination, and these interviews formed the basis for this report. Information set out in this report was furnished by MARINA OSWALD in these interviews if not otherwise noted. The majority of these interviews have been in the Russian language. There have been a number, however, conducted in the English language. MARINA OSWALD expressed a dislike for the FBI in the initial interviews following the assassination, and she has stated that it was because of this that she withheld certain information in these interviews. Specifically, she denied she knew of a trip of OSWALD to Mexico City in September - October, 1963, when, in fact, she did know of this trip. She later corrected herself in testimony before the Warren

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Commission, February 3 - 6, 1964. MARINA OSWALD has been interviewed on various occasions since her first appearance before the Warren Commission, and there has been no indication she has willfully withheld information or lied in these interviews. She has, in fact, expressed a desire to cooperate in any way possible with the FBI.

The U. S. Secret Service afforded protection to MARINA OSWALD from the date of the assassination until February 7, 1964, when this protection was lifted at the completion of her initial testimony before the Warren Commission which ended on February 6, 1964. MARINA OSWALD was accompanied to Washington by her attorney, JOHN M. THORNE, and her then agent, JAMES HERBERT MARTIN. She had been residing in MARTIN'S home in Dallas with his family.

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Following her return from Washington, D. C. to Dallas on February 8, 1964, she moved from MARTIN'S home on February 9, 1964.

In re Bureau airtel dated December 4, 1964, the Dallas Office was instructed to maintain periodic contact with subject to be kept informed of her future plans. The Bureau instructed no active investigation be conducted at this time to determine contacts and activities of subject. Accordingly, no leads for active investigation are being set out for the Detroit Office. Two copies of this report are forwarded to Detroit as it is anticipated MARINA OSWALD will be residing temporarily at Ann Arbor, Michigan, in the near future, and it is very likely the Detroit Office will be called upon to interview her. Ten copies of this report are designated for the Bureau per request. Also, ten copies are being retained at Dallas for possible future dissemination. Two copies are designated for USINS at Dallas as subject's permanent residence is within this district.

The Washington Field Office has been instructed in referenced Buairtel to submit a separate report on its checks of the records of CIA and the Passport Office, Visa Office, and the Security Office of the Department of State.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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Report of: WALLACE R. HEITMAN
Date: 1/5/65

Office: Dallas, Texas

Field Office File No.: 105-1435

Bureau File No.: 105-126032

Title: MARINA NIKOLAEVNA OSWALD

Character: INTERNAL SECURITY - RUSSIA

Synopsis: Subject, a citizen of USSR, was the wife of LEE HARVEY OSWALD who was arrested 11/22/63, and charged with the assassination of President JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY at Dallas, 11/22/63, and was subsequently himself assassinated at Dallas, 11/24/63. MARINA OSWALD was born 7/17/41, Severodvinsk (formerly Molotovsk), Arkhangel Oblast, Russia, and subsequently resided in Arkhangel'sk, Arkhangel Oblast; Zguritzza, Moldavian, SSR; Leningrad and Minsk, Belorussia. She was trained as a pharmacist in Leningrad and was employed in this profession in Minsk. While residing in Minsk she met LEE HARVEY OSWALD, and they were married 4/30/61. The OSWALDs thereafter lived together in Minsk until they left Russia by train 6/2/62 traveling through Europe to Amsterdam from where they traveled by ship to New York arriving 6/13/62. OSWALDs thereafter left New York for Fort Worth, Texas, arriving 6/14/62. In Fort Worth they resided for short periods with OSWALD's mother, MARGUERITE, and his brother, ROBERT LEE, and thereafter at 2703 Mercedes Street, Fort Worth. OSWALD then moved to Dallas 10/62, and MARINA resided at home of Mrs. JOHN R. (ELENA) HALL, 4760 Trail Lake Drive, Fort Worth, until early November, 1962. The OSWALDs thereafter resided together at 604 Elsbeth and 214 West Neely Street, Dallas, until late April, 1963. Subject joined husband in New Orleans, Louisiana, and resided with him at 4905 Magazine St. from 5/11/63 until 9/23/63. On latter date she returned from New Orleans to Irving, Texas, (suburb of Dallas) with Mrs. RUTH PAINE and resided with latter at her home, 2515 West 5th Street, Irving, until 11/22/63. OSWALD did not reside with MARINA at time assassination although he visited her and spent the night with her at the PAINE residence on 11/21/63.

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Following the assassination, MARINA resided briefly at the Inn of the Six Flags, Arlington, Texas, and at the residence of JAMES HERBERT MARTIN, 11611 Farrar Street, Dallas, under protection of the U. S. Secret Service (USSS). This protection was lifted on her request on 2/7/64, following the completion of her initial testimony before the President's Commission on the Assassination of President Kennedy (Warren Commission), 2/3 - 6/64. Upon her return to Dallas, she resided one day at MARTIN home; for several weeks at the home of her friends Mr. and Mrs. DECLAN FORD, 14057 Brookcrest, Dallas, and began residence at her present home, 629 Beltline Road, Richardson, Texas, (suburb of Dallas) on 2/29/64. Subject has reportedly received approximately \$70,000.00 in voluntary donations from the American people; \$5,000.00 from Life magazine for publishing a photograph of LEE HARVEY OSWALD holding a rifle; \$20,000 from Life magazine for publishing the OSWALD diary, and an additional sum for appearance before television news networks. She is presently collaborating with writer PRISCILLA JOHNSON on a book on her life for publishing. She plans to attend a special course in the English language at the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor, beginning 1/4/65 for approximately eight weeks following which she intends to return to Richardson. Subject in all interviews has maintained she knew nothing of OSWALD's intentions to assassinate President KENNEDY. She maintains that she has no political opinions and is grateful to the United States for the privilege of living here. She was a member of Medical Workers Union in Russia and was considered a member of Komsomol (Communist Youth Organization) for one year while employed at hospital in Minsk, Russia, but membership was discontinued when she failed to pick up her membership card. She stated she attended no meetings of Komsomol and had no interest in it. She stated she belonged to no other organization in Russia.

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