FBI 12/22/63 Date: PLAIN TEXT Transmit the following in (Type in plain text or code) A IRTEL Via (Priority or Method of Mailing) 111.5 DIRECTOR, FBI TO: C. DALLAS (100-10461) FROM: Mestil RE: (LEE HARVEY OSWALD, aka IS-R-CUBA There is attached hereto an article appearing in The Dallas Times Herald, Sunday, Dec. 22, 1963, reflecting that an Agent wearing the robe and face mask of a doctor waited in vain at LEE HARVEY OSWALD's bedside for a deathbed confession. The following is submitted for the information of the Bureau in the event any inquiries are received. Immediately following the report that OSWALD had been shot at the Police Station I directed Agents to proceed to Parkland Hospital and establish liaison in order to insure that if OSWALD regained consciousness and desired to give a deathbed confession, that we would be in a position to take the same. SA CHARLES T. BROWN, JR. and SA WALLACE R. HEITMAN made arrangements with Dr. MOURY SOLTES and through him with Dr. TOM SHIRES, Professor of Medicine at Southwest Medical School and chief of surgery, to be available in the event OSWALD/ regained consciousness. In order to save time and be immediately available, these Agents did don operating clothing and took positions outside the operating room. OSWALD, however, died before regaining consciousness. SHANKLIN (3.- Bureau () 1 - Dallas JGS:mfr (4) 5 8 JAN 3 1964 11.08 Approved: Special Agent in Charge