

Sept. 10, 1969

Dear Sylvia,

Re your letter of 9 3 69, and the notation "Gandy" in Oswald's address book:

- 1) CD 385 contains a section on "Subject's address book", which I reached tonight, in slowly pro(ing over that document for relevant goodies.

The section says: "The following are names, addresses, notations and data that have not (emphasis added) been previously reported. The pages of the address book are not numbered but for clarity and reference purposes, the pages are referred to by page number, some referring to their numerical sequence as they are contained in the book, being numbered from front to back: "

A long list follows. When we come to page 282, (of CD 385), there is the following entry:

" Page 68:

Gandy or Gandy

Nov. 1, 1963
FBI Agent (RI-11211)
James F. Hosty
MU 8605
1114 Commerce St.
Dallas

"

- 2) CD 385 is synonymous with "Gemberling Report of Feb 11, 1964" See question 30 of Commission Exhibit 833. (p15 of the exhibit, page 803 of volume 17.)
- 3) If you turn to CE 18, specifically, page 64 of volume 16, you will find the entry "Gandy" is the one beneath the one "Burton Dixie HA 83581", but above Mr. Hodson. It is heavily crossed out.
- 4) Looking into this matter has caused me to have the following questions.

Question 1 I always thought it was the 47th page of Oswald's address book that concerned Hosty. As published in volume 16, it is the 76th page.

As treated by the FBI in CD 385, it is the 68th page.

What the heck is going on here???? Do you know of an explanation for these different page counts? Am I just behind the times on this one, or is this something new and befuddling, and possibly sinister?

~~Is this entry in the address book? Or was this just spurious?~~

Question 2 In Hoover's answer to "question 30" in CE 833, he says: "In this connection, your attention is also directed to this Bureau's letter to the Commission dated February 27, 1964, enclosing an affidavit executed by SA Robert P. Gemberling explaining in detail his handling and reporting of data in Lee Harvey Oswald's address book...."

Is Hoover's letter to Commission and the Gemberling affidavit to which he refers in the published record? If so, where? *AAF 211*

If not, do you know whether or not anyone has asked the Archivist for this material? (In this regard, I know that Paul Hoch did a memo on the address book, but I cannot locate it just now.)

Also note: I have checked my files. The only thing I find is that CE 825 is Hoover's Feb 12 letter to the Commission (page 741, volume 17, saying that C was not an informant, with attached affidavits, but certainly not one from Gemberling); also, there is Hoover's February 10 letter to the Commission detailing the result of questioning conducted by Shanklin and his assistant Kyle Clark, of Henry Wade. This is 3pp long and is in "Files of Evidence...", Library of Congress. The archives also has a copy, I suppose.)

Question 3 On page 61, of volume 16, (CE 18 again) the following entry appears:

Washington D.C.

1125 16th NW NA 8 7551
1706 18th NW AD 2 3092

Do you know what these addresses and phone numbers refer to?

If not, do you have access to Washington DC area cross-directories?

Question 4 Has any critic or researcher carefully gone over the entire address book, page by page; or perhaps made an effort to get all sections of FBI CD's on the address book investigation, so that we can know that every entry is accounted for?

If so, who is that critic?

I have numbered the questions so we can follow this up conveniently, as time permits. Also, tonight, I am sending out a request to my sister, who lives and works in the Washington area, to check out the phone numbers and address referred to in *9-Quest 9*. (They are not the Russian Embassy, by the way.)

Best wishes,

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