

- 627 Rosen to Belmont Dec 20 re NYT "pressure...on the Dept relv to intvwg Marina"  
Rankin contacted: WC had told Martin & Thorne WC had no postn on \$25,000 offer for Marina story; but Warren had suggested to Rankin "an effort be made to obtain any story which might be written, in order that it cd be revwd prior to actual publctn." Rankin told FBI had no postn on intvw, wd be happy to check story
- 628 Rosen to Belmont Jan 3 '64: issue of Marina's WC interpreter: Martin had reported Marina's "animosity" toward FBI agents "in that she felt Bureau agents were respl for her husband losing his job wherever he went to work." JRM:mpd
- \*\*629 Dallas to JEH Feb. 16 after phone call: /Pete White, promt atty and member of grievance comttee of Dallas Bar Assctn, confdly advised/that his law partner, /WmAMcKenzie had advised /him/ last night that McK had confered with Robt Oswald yesterday /i.e. Feb 15/" concerning Thurs Feb 20 WC appearance of RO. RO tells McK of Marina-Martin affair, dismissal of Martin & Thorne. Thorne confirms dismissal, last saw Marina Feb 13, rcvd reg lr of dismissal Feb 15. "Robert Oswald will be contacted for purpose of exhibiting pho ographs of two cameras taken in search of Paine resdc"(629.3) /Cf. Meagher, pp. 203-048/  
Note that RO did not volunteer the Imperial Reflex until Feb 24; two cameram photos here presumably CE 136 & 137
- \* \*\*630 Belmont to Tolson Feb 17 re Shanklin-Belmont call Feb 16 (629) re Pete White Same stuff. White "is a friend of our Dallas office" -- via Vince Drain (CD 470.2, where [White] is called a "Confidential Informant")
- \*\*\* 631 JEH memo Feb 18 re call to Rankin over Marina affair: Marina told Mrs. M. Robert Oswald "was complaining about hr staying here in Washn that long so he practclly ordered her to get back to Dallas; later Robert "got her away from" Martin house "and ~~him~~ he got her to ~~his~~ house and then got this other counsel and fired Thorne and Martin....Mr. Rankin sd thos is what she has told the Secret Svc and it presents all kinds of probms as to what she is up to and what Martin was up to" /And what Robert was up to--pds/Cf CD 470.8 for RO version ~~information~~.
- \*\*632 Rankin Feb 18 re info "furnished by Robert Oswald through a Bureau confdl source" /i.e. Pete White/ re Marina. Wa ts FBI to get signed ~~stnts~~.
- \*\*633 Branigan to Sullivan Feb 19: RO and Marina have given signed stnts, Thorne & Martin have refused. Fn Subsequent to preptn of instant memorandum we learned from Dallas of allegtns of Oswald's possl intentn to assasst Richard Nixon. This data is also being included in attached lr to Rankin." Stnts in CD 470 of Feb 22
- 634 JEH to Rankin Feb 19, summarizing Marina intvws Feb 17 (22 H 195) and 18 (22 H 785) (302s came as pp. 439-48 of CD 735, March 10. Mexico, cf. (22) H 197, 8. Marina's stnt she broke with Martin because M was was dishonest and delaying giving her her money: not published, but check CD 735.449 (Martin in lx there, Gopadze not) Nixon incident not in this lr
- 635 JEH to Rankin Feb 20 transmitting memos of Marina intvw Feb 19 re Martin incident. ~~Nothing from Nixon~~ Marina not to be re-intvwd until McK r-returns Dallas, probly Feb 21
- 636 JEH-Rankin Feb 21 transmitting SS account of Marina-Martin affair
- \*\*\*637 JEH memo ofcall from Rankin Feb 24 re Marina's Nixon incident; R suggested surveillance. JEH skeptical of Nixon incident "how the wife wd be able to lock him in a bathroom all day"? "I stated Nixon was invited to receive some award and had to cancel out" (This follows language of Carlson intvw on Feb 19, 23 H 414; Nixon not intvwd till Feb 28, 23 H 831.) Rankin: Thorne claimed contracts in excess of \$150,000, including Tex-Italia; JEH: "just a nasty shakedown"
- \*642 JEH-Rankin lr Feb 27 re Nixon incident (PLH/PDS had this already) referring to previous letter of Feb 20 (I requested this one in 1973, never got it; nor is it in this batch, but cf 633). 642 ~~was from REL~~ from REL(enihan):hc (Soviet Section)-222
- 62-109090 c/fel  
105-82555  
more on #637: JEH skeptcl of Nixon incident: WC "going too much on assumptn"; every Mexico City

- 637 (cont'd) lead "we run out fizzles out," but the average Mexn in my opinion is a psychgl liar as they have visns probly of getting money or being brought up for testimony." JLR & JEH agree Marina shd be brought back to get Nixon story on record, "because in the meantime she is going to be writing artils and books and she is bound to include this Nixon thing in it." Mutilation of (CE 573) prevents certain stnt same gun was used in Walker incident (as Marina had stated ~~transmitted~~ Feb 18, 22 H 785), though "you could draw the concln it was the same gun". JEH tells Jos Sizoo of Dom Intgc to arrange for Feb 24 intvw of Marina (22 H 786), stake-out, and technical
- 638 JEH to JLR Feb 25. Bckgd on JHMartin: Statler-Hilton, Gay Nineties night club mgr (in name Clay Martin, no reln, owned by Mike Abraham, oil man from NYC); Jack Murphy Insurance Co, Inn of Six Flags May 9, 1962-Dec 15 1963 REL;mhw
- 639 JEH to JLR Feb 26, transmits memo of Feb 25 re Feb 24 Marina intvw (cf 22 H 786) JCS:pah (Stokes?) 62-109090. Memo by JCS:pah, 6 copies retained in Room 645RB (Stokes?) (Differs slightly from CE 1404 account of planned plane hijack: IHO wrote out plane timetables on piece of paper; studied world map; JHMartin had vasectomy) #637
- 640 JEH to JLR Feb 26 re Marina-Martin, forwarding signed stnts also in CD470. Some minor inconsistencies, e.g. Vada "on the night of Feb- 12" (640.2) vs RO "about 1 p.m." (CD 470.10)
- 642 see previous page at #637
- 643 JEH to JLR Feb 28: results of Marina's surveillance; Isaac Don Levine visit Feb 25 "We have previously been in contact with Mr. Levine"
- 644 JEH to JLR Feb 28: Martin to Okla City Feb 21 (note business plans in #638, pds). F 27 Willens instructed Paul Gregory not be intvwd, no action to be taken on Martin's Washington phone calls.
- \*\*645 Dallas to JEH Mar 4 Re FISHER (physical surveillance) of Marina) Complex details of infighting and potential court case between 2 teams of lawyers and also within Russian community. Fords angry at Bouhe, who mentions Levine to Marina Mar 2. Then Mrs. Ford phones & "reminded Marina that she had promised not to ~~phone~~ talk with Bouhe without a third party present." Mrs. Ford claims Levine claims "some sort of oral understanding for Marina's writing. Marina believes she does not want Levine to handle her work. Marina gave Mrs. Ford her word she will not sign any contracts without Declan Ford. She added does not intend to have any discussions with Levine any more."
- 647 JEH to JLR Mar 9: transmits detail from 645 that Warren wd not let Martin talk about his affair, as it did not "pertain to the case"
- 648 JEH to JLR Mar 11: Marina overheard telling Katya Ford "it is hard for her to believe that it was not Lee who committed the crime and...expressed doubt that Lee had an accomplice"; later "wondered if someone else was shooting also"