

FBI report dated 5/8/64

On February 6, 1964, Barry Gray, Radio Commentator, Station WMCA, made a statement during his radio program to the effect that a source, whom he did not wish to identify, but described as a responsible newsman, had informed Gray that he, the source, was working on a story about Lee Harvey Oswald having been trained in Russia by a Soviet group which was anti-Khrushchev and pro-Chinese.

In connection with the above information, Barry Gray was interviewed by SAs James O. Ingram and John James O'Flaherty on April 17, 1964 and furnished the following information.

Gray advised that he recalls making the statement concerning subject, as referred to above, and stated that his source was Serge Fliegers, European Correspondent for Hearst Publications...He remarked that on January 16, 1964, while in conversation with Fliegers and one Lester Feldshon, described as a NYC realtor, and an acquaintance of Fliegers, a statement was made by Fliegers to the effect that there was an anti-Khrushchev pro-Chinese group in the Soviet Union that was not in accord with Khrushchev's "coexistence" policy and that this group had trained Oswald for the assassination of the President in an effort to bring Khrushchev into line. Gray stated that he did not ask Fliegers where he had obtained this information nor did Fliegers state his source or sources; however, Gray added that Fliegers had made his statement in a categorical manner...

Gray voluntarily remarked that he personally gives more credence to the idea of a "plot" behind the assassination, as related by Fliegers, than to the idea that Oswald planned and committed the act entirely by himself. He added, however, that he has no basis in fact whatsoever for his belief, but that it is merely his personal opinion.