BAC, New Orleans

8/21/63

Director, FBI (105-82555)

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Repulet 3/25/63 setting forth lead to determine present employment of subject after which a determination would be made relative to interview of Marina Oswald, subject's wife, in connection with the SOBIR program.

FBI Identification Record Number 327 925 D dated 8/14/63 reveals Lee Harvey Oswald was arrested by the New Orleans, Louisiana, Police Department on 8/9/63 for disturbing the peace by creating a scene.

*The Times Picayune, * New Orleans, Louisiana, carried an article on page three, section one in their 8/13/63 edition captioned *Pamphlet Case Sentence Given* indicating that Lee Oswald, aged 23, of 4907 Magazine, was sentenced to pay a fine of \$10 or serve ten days in jail on a charge of disturbing the peace by creating a scene. It was indicated that Oswald was arrested by First District Police in the 700 block of Canal while distributing pamphlets asking for a fair play for Cuba. " Police reportedly were called to the scene when three Cubans reportedly sought to stop Oswald from distributing the above pamphlets.

Dallas is instructed to promptly advise status of investigation as set forth in relet.

New Orleans ascertain facts concerning subject's distribution of above-mentioned pamphlet including nature of pamphlet following which contact should be made with established sources familiar with Cuban activities in the New Orleans area to determine whether subject involved in Submit results in letterhead memorandum form suitable for the dissemination with appropriate the suitable for the suitabl activities inimical to the internal security of the U. S. dissemination with appropriate recommendation as to further action. EX 104 TO AUG-23 1963

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Dallas (100-10461)

1 - 105-1435 (Marina Nickolaevna Oswald)

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Letter to BAC, New Orleans Re: EEE HARVEY OSWALD

For the information of New Orleans, previous investigation by the Dallas Office reveals subject attempted to defect to Russia in October, 1959, at which time he was a member of the U. S. Marine Corps Reserve. He was given an undesirable discharge from this Service 8/17/60. Subject was born 10/18/39, New Orleans, Louisiana, his father, Edward Lee Oswald, having died before his birth. Subject moved with his mother to Fort Worth, Texas, from New Orleans, Louisiana, in 1945. Subject originally enlisted in U. S. Marine Corps 10/24/56 and received an honorable discharge on 9/11/59 re-enlisting as a private in the U. E. Marine Corps Reserve on the same date. Subject's mother subsequently received a letter from New Orleans indicating subject had booked passage on a ship to Europe and he later renounced U. S. citizenship and sought to become a citizen of Russia. At this time subject advised U. S. Embassy in Moscow that "I am a Marxist." Subject was unsuccessful in his attempt to obtain Russian citizenship later returning to the U.S. Subject during interview with Bureau Agents at Forth Worth, Texas, 8/16/62 declined to explain why he went to the Soviet Union stating he considers it "nobody's business."

It is noted subject has also been described as an individual who drinks to excess and beats his wife. Subject and wife were last known to have been separated.