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LEE HARVEY OSWALD

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REBULET TO J. LEE RANKIN, THE PRESIDENT'S COMMISSION, FEBRUARY TWENTYONE LAST.

SALVADOR DIAZ VERNON CONTACTED INSTANT DATE, AT WHICH TIME HE FURNISHED FOLLOWING :

HE KNEW NOTHING FIRSTHAND CONCERNING VISIT OF OSWALD TO MEXICO OR PERSONS CONTACTED BY HIM. HE ADMITTED CONTACT WITH DR. EDUARDO BORRELL NAVARRO, BUT STATED HE DID NOT, AND DOES NOT, ATTRIBUTE TO HIM THE STATEMENT REGARDING CONTACT OF OSWALD WITH SILVIA DURAN AT MEXICO CITY RESTAURANT. DIAZ STATED THE ONLY CONTACT OF OSWALD DISCUSSED BY HIM WITH BORRELL NAVARRO WAS THAT OF THE VISIT BY OSWALD TO THE CUBAN CONSULATE IN MEXICO, AND THE FACT THAT SILVIA DURAN WAS PICKED UP AND INTERVIEWED BY MEXICAN POLICE. HE SAID THERE WAS SOME SPECULATION AND TALK AS TO THE SPECIFIC OFFICIAL WITH WHOM DURAN MAY HAVE PLACED OSWALD IN CONTACT.

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DIAZ STATED THAT AT THE OFFICES OF ~~QUOTE~~ "EXCELSIOR"
~~UNQUOTE~~, MEXICO CITY NEWSPAPER, ON THE EVENING OF NOVEMBER
TWENTYFIVE LAST, SOME PERSONS UNKNOWN TO HIM DISCUSSED
ALLEGED MEETING BY OSWALD WITH DURAN AT A RESTAURANT
IN MEXICO CITY, WHICH HE THOUGHT WAS THE CABALLO BLANCO,
BUT COULD WELL HAVE BEEN CABALLO BAYO. ALSO, THE MATTERS
OF OSWALD BEING A GUEST IN THE HOME OF DURAN, AND THE
PLACING OF OSWALD IN CONTACT WITH A CUBAN OFFICIAL, ARE
STRICTLY UNIDENTIFIED QUESTIONS, COMMENTS, AND THE VOICING
OF THOUGHTS AND SPECULATION, BY A GROUP OF LATIN AMERICAN
NEWSPAPERMEN.

DIAZ STATED THAT AFTER ~~ANGEL FERNANDEZ VARELA~~ WAS
INTERVIEWED BY THE FBI IN MIAMI, HE CAME TO DIAZ AND ASKED
HIM ~~QUOTE~~ "JUST WHAT WERE THE DETAILS ABOUT OSWALD MEETING
DURAN IN SOME CABARET OR RESTAURANT IN MEXICO CITY AND THE
INTRODUCTION OF OSWALD TO AN OFFICIAL OF THE CUBAN EMBASSY"
~~UNQUOTE~~. FERNANDEZ VARELA ADMITTED HE HAD FORGOTTEN AND
CONFUSED THE STORY ~~QUOTE~~ "A LITTLE ~~UNQUOTE~~.

DIAZ STATED THERE IS NO REASON FOR HIM TO TAKE
A POLYGRAPH EXAMINATION, AS HE DOES NOT ATTEMPT TO SUSTAIN

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THE VERACITY OF THE INFORMATION IN QUESTION AS TO ORIGIN,
AND HE DOES NOT ATTRIBUTE ANYTHING TO BORRELL NAVARRO OTHER
THAN THAT SPECIFICALLY MENTIONED ABOVE. HE CONCLUDED THAT
FERNANDEZ VARELA, THROUGH LACK OF KNOWLEDGE, AND TYPICAL
CUBAN EXAGGERATION, MAY HAVE GIVEN AN ERRONEOUS ACCOUNT TO
JOSE I. LASAGA. LHM FOLLOWS. TWO COPIES DALLAS RM.

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