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MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. J. Lee Rankin
General Counsel
President's Commission on the
Assassination of President Kennedy

SUBJECT: Lee Harvey OSWALD

1. Reference is made to your letter of 11 September 1964, requesting the approval of this Agency for the publication in the Commission's report of my memorandum, dated 2 July 1964, concerning Lee Harvey OSWALD.

2. I would prefer not to authorize publication of this memorandum. It contains information obtained by sensitive methods, the revelation of which would be disadvantageous to United States interests at this time. Please note, however, that my memorandum on Valeriy Vladimirovich KOSTIKOV mentions the possibility that OSWALD may have been interviewed during his visit to the Soviet Embassy in Mexico City by the Soviet official mentioned in my memorandum of 2 July.

3. I hope that the revised memorandum on KOSTIKOV, which the Commission may publish, will serve your needs.

Richard Helms

Richard Helms
Deputy Director for Plans

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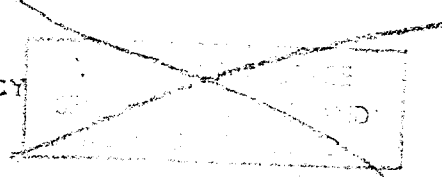
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MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. J. Lee Rankin
General Counsel
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SUBJECT: Silvia Tirado Bazan de DURAN

1. In response to the verbal request of Mr. Slawson of your staff, I forward details on the political background and recent activity of Silvia Tirado Bazan de DURAN.

2. A high official of the Mexican Government, in a position to know the facts, has indicated that no Mexican has worked for the Cuban Embassy in Mexico since 1959 who is not a completely convinced Communist. Both Mrs. DURAN and her husband were listed in the Mexican security organization's files as members of the Mexican Communist Party.

3. As of the date of this letter, Mr. DURAN continues to live at Avenida Constituyentes Number 3, Apartment 3. Mrs. DURAN, however, is out of circulation and her whereabouts are unknown. It is reported that she has not worked at the Cuban Embassy or at any other job since her detainment for interrogation on the OSWALD case. Mr. DURAN refuses to state where she is, except for the indication that "she is outside of Mexico". It is believed by the official cited in paragraph 2 above that Mrs. DURAN is being hidden out by the Cubans.

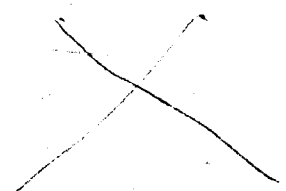
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PASS THE FOLLOWING CLASSIFIED MESSAGE VIA SECURE MEANS.

SUBJECT: LEE HENRY OSWALD / NR-FS

1. ON 1 OCTOBER 1963 A RELIABLE AND SENSITIVE SOURCE IN MEXICO REPORTED THAT AN AMERICAN MALE, WHO IDENTIFIED HIMSELF AS LEE OSWALD, CONTACTED THE SOVIET EMBASSY IN MEXICO CITY INQUIRING WHETHER THE EMBASSY HAD RECEIVED ANY NEWS CONCERNING A TELEGRAM WHICH HAD BEEN SENT TO WASHINGTON. THE AMERICAN WAS DESCRIBED AS APPROXIMATELY 35 YEARS OLD, WITH AN ATHLETIC BUILD, ABOUT SIX FEET TALL, WITH A RECEDING HAIRLINE.

2. IT IS BELIEVED THAT OSWALD MAY BE IDENTICAL TO LEE HENRY OSWALD, BORN ON 18 OCTOBER 1939 IN NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA, A FORMER U.S. MARINE WHO DEFECTED TO THE SOVIET UNION IN OCTOBER 1959 AND LATER MADE ARRANGEMENTS THROUGH THE UNITED STATES EMBASSY IN MOSCOW TO RETURN TO THE UNITED STATES WITH HIS RUSSIAN BORN WIFE, MARINA NIKOLAEVNA PUSAKOVA, AND THEIR CHILD.

3. THE INFORMATION IN PARAGRAPH ONE IS BEING DISSEMINATED TO YOUR REPRESENTATIVES IN MEXICO CITY. ANY FURTHER INFORMATION RECEIVED ON THIS SUBJECT WILL BE FURNISHED YOU. THIS INFORMATION IS BEING MADE AVAILABLE TO THE IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION SERVICE GP-1

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