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ZODIAC (ZNS) LONGTIME ASSASSINATION RESEARCHER MARK LANE SAYS HE HAS UNCOVERED FOR ITEMS USED NEW EVIDENCE INDICATING THAT A C.I.A. OPERATIVE ARRANGED TELEVISION COVERAGE FOR ALLEGED ASSASSIN LEE HARVEY OSWALD THREE MONTHS BEFORE THE ASSASSINATION IN DALLAS.

LANE SUGGESTS THAT THE OSWALD-T.V. INCIDENT MAY HAVE BEEN STAGED TO GIVE OSWALD THE OUTWARD APPEARANCE OF BEING A PRO-CASTRO LEFTIST AS PART OF AN "INTELLIGENCE COVER."

THE INCIDENT IN QUESTION OCCURRED IN NEW ORLEANS ON AUGUST 16TH OF 1963, THREE MONTHS PRIOR TO PRESIDENT KENNEDY'S ASSASSINATION. TELEVISION STATION W-D-S-U ARRIVED WITH CAMERAS TO COVER OSWALD AND TWO OTHER MEN OSWALD HAD HIRED AS THEY PASSED OUT PRO-CASTRO LEAFLETS ON A NEW ORLEANS STREET.

THE LEAFLETTING LASTED ONLY A FEW MINUTES: ACCORDING TO WITNESSES, WHEN THE CAMERAS LEFT, SO DID OSWALD. CRITICS HAVE CLAIMED THAT OSWALD SEEMED TO HAVE STAGED THE LEAFLETTING FOR THE T.V. AUDIENCE.

MARK LANE REPORTS THAT T.V. NEWS REPORTER BOB JONES OF W-D-S-U RECENTLY TOLD HIM THAT THE STATION WAS TIPPED OFF ABOUT THE OSWALD DEMONSTRATION BY CARLOS BRINGUIER, AN OUTSPOKEN ANTI-CASTRO ACTIVIST.

A RECENTLY DECLASSIFIED C.I.A. DOCUMENT LISTS BRINGUIER AS A C.I.A. CONTACT AGENT.

MANY WARREN COMMISSION CRITICS HAVE CHARGED THAT OSWALD MAY HAVE BEEN INVOLVED IN UNDERCOVER WORK FOR U.S. INTELLIGENCE AGENCIES. HIS "PRO-CASTRO" LEAFLETS, AS AN EXAMPLE, ACTUALLY CONTAINED THE RETURN ADDRESS OF A C.I.A.-SPONSORED ANTI-CASTRO ORGANIZATION IN NEW ORLEANS -- ZODIAC

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