

CD 1485

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Dear Moo, Oswald's literature distribution-"Wasp".

Here are pages 4-8 and 11 of CD 1485. I do not recall that they were sent you earlier.

When we spoke a short time ago I suggested you ask Lt. Alleman or the Harbor Police for any report on the fingerprints the FBI may have supplied. It is pretty conspicuous that with the FBI allegedly looking for Oswald's accomplices, the person whose fingerprints were identified could be important knowledge. It is also possible that these were "new" rather than old prints.

It will be necessary to make further check before we can be positive, but the original typed report of the incident is not here included. It, quite obviously, should have been, particularly because recollections seem less sharp than the FBI or Commission should have desired.

This FBI treatment is so vague one cannot learn from it whether the fingerprints are of one or two people.

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On July 21, 1964, Mr. LLOYD BECK, Office of Naval Intelligence, Eighth Naval District, New Orleans, Louisiana, advised that according to the records of his agency, the aircraft carrier "USS Wasp" (CVS - 18) visited the Port of New Orleans from June 13, 1963, to June 20, 1963, and during this period of time, was berthed at the Dumaine Street Wharf. Mr. BECK informed that the "USS Wasp" was one of six U. S. Naval Vessels visiting the Port of New Orleans during this period of time and that the "USS Wasp" is currently at its home port of Boston, Massachusetts. Mr. BECK informed that no information had been received by his agency that during the period that the "USS Wasp" visited the Port of New Orleans, any individual was engaged in distributing leaflets in the vicinity of the "USS Wasp" or any other Naval Vessel.

On July 21, 1964, RAYMOND MARTINAS, Harbor Master, Port of New Orleans, New Orleans, Louisiana, advised that he recalled the visit of the aircraft carrier, the "USS Wasp" to the Port of New Orleans during June, 1963. Mr. MARTINAS informed that no information had come to his attention that any individual had been distributing leaflets near the "USS Wasp" during the period this ship was visiting the Port of New Orleans.

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Lieutenant ROY ALLEMAN, New Orleans Harbor Police, advised that his agency is in no way connected with the New Orleans Police Department, but is a separate and distinct law enforcement agency. He informed that his agency is under the control of the Board of Commissioners of the Port of New Orleans, an agency of the State of Louisiana.

Lieutenant ALLEMAN advised that he recalled an incident wherein an individual was distributing leaflets on the Dumaine Street Wharf at the time the "USS Wasp" was berthed during June, 1963. Lieutenant ALLEMAN stated that he recalled that Harbor Patrolman GIROD RAY had been contacted by a member of the United States Navy and requested to locate an individual who was passing out leaflets on the Dumaine Street Wharf, near where the "USS Wasp" was berthed. As a result, Patrolman RAY located this individual, name unknown, and asked him to leave the premises. Lieutenant ALLEMAN stated that no arrest was made and that this person, upon request, did leave the Dumaine Street Wharf. Lieutenant ALLEMAN informed that Patrolman RAY obtained two leaflets that this unknown individual had been passing out and recalled that one of these leaflets had "something to do with Cuba" but could not recall any additional information.

Lieutenant ALLEMAN stated that he did not personally observe the individual passing out the leaflets and that he could furnish no additional information regarding this incident. He stated that the records of his agency do contain a brief, typewritten report made by Patrolman Ray as well as two of the leaflets which were being distributed by the unknown individual.

Lieutenant ALLEMAN furnished the original report of Patrolman RAY, dated June 16, 1963, and the two leaflets described as follows:

1. A yellow-colored leaflet entitled "Hands Off Cuba."
2. A white-colored leaflet entitled "The Truth About Cuba Is In Cuba."

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Patrolman GIROD RAY, Harbor Police, advised that he recalled the incident in June of 1963, wherein he requested an individual to leave the Dumaine Street Wharf, after this individual was observed passing out leaflets in the vicinity of the "USS Wasp."

Patrolman RAY advised that he could not recall the day of the week, but believed it was either on a Saturday or a Sunday and that he had been assigned to a roving patrol in the area of the Toulouse and the Dumaine Street Wharves. He said this was a special assignment, inasmuch as the "USS Wasp" was berthed and that there were visiting hours for civilians who desired to go aboard this ship. Patrolman RAY stated that late in the afternoon, possibly between 3:00 PM and 5:00 PM, he was approached by an unknown enlisted man from the "USS Wasp" who told him that the Officer of the Deck of the "USS Wasp" desired Patrolman RAY to seek out an individual who was passing out leaflets regarding Cuba and to request this individual to stop passing out these leaflets. Patrolman RAY stated that he was between the Toulouse and Dumaine Street Wharves when he received this information and thereafter, immediately went to the Dumaine Street Wharf where he saw an unknown white male passing out leaflets which were white and yellow in color. He described this unknown individual as a white male, age late 20's, 5'9" tall, 150 pounds, and slender build. He said this individual was distributing these leaflets to U. S. Naval personnel in the area and also to civilians who were leaving the "USS Wasp."

Patrolman RAY stated that he approached this person and asked him if he had permission to distribute the leaflets. This person replied that he did not have permission to do this and felt that he did not need anyone's permission since he was within his rights to distribute leaflets in any area he desired to do so.

Patrolman RAY stated that he told this individual that the wharves and buildings along the Mississippi River, encompassing the Port of New Orleans, are operated by the Board of Commissioners of the Port of New Orleans, and that

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if this individual received permission from the Board of Commissioners, he could distribute these leaflets. Patrolman RAY stated that after informing this individual of this information, this person kept insisting that he did not see why he would need anyone's permission and thereafter, Patrolman RAY informed this individual that if he did not leave the Dumaine Street Wharf, Patrolman RAY would arrest him. Upon hearing this, this person then left the Dumaine Street Wharf.

Patrolman RAY stated he could not recall how this person was dressed, other than that he was well groomed and that this unknown individual was alone and was not assisted in the distribution of these leaflets by any other person.

Patrolman RAY stated that he could not now recall whether he looked at some type of identification of this individual, but believes he may have done so. Patrolman RAY stated that he feels sure that he wrote this unknown person's name on a slip of paper, but that apparently he had lost this piece of paper, as he did not include this individual's name in his typewritten report and that he could not recall the name.

Patrolman RAY stated that he feels this unknown individual who was distributing the leaflets was LEE HARVEY OSWALD. He said he bases this on the fact that subsequent to the incident, he had observed photographs of OSWALD on television and in the newspapers and that from these photographs he observed, he believes that the individual on the Dumaine Street Wharf was LEE HARVEY OSWALD.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE PORT OF NEW ORLEANS  
(AN AGENCY OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA)  
INTER-OFFICE COMMUNICATION

DATE: June 13, 1963

TO: Chief L. Deutschman

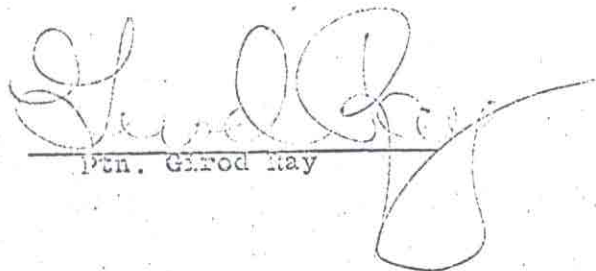
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FROM: Patrolman Girod Ray

SUBJECT: Distribution of Propaganda Literature

While working a special assignment at Dumain St. Wharf I was approached by a U.S.S. Navy Officer from the U.S.S. Wasp, who stated that he saw a white male adult subject handing out the enclosed pamphlets to persons visiting the Wasp, berthed at Dumaine St. Wharf.

I immediately looked for this subject and found him distributing these pamphlets and asked him if he had received permission from the Dock Board to issue these papers. He stated that he thought as an American citizen he did not need anyones permission. I ordered this man off of our property and told him he would have to refrain from issuing anything on Dock Board Property without their express consent.

  
Ptn. Girod Ray

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The following items previously furnished by Lieutenant ALLEMAN were submitted to the FBI Identification Division, Latent Fingerprint Section, for examination:

1. A yellow-colored leaflet entitled "Hands Off Cuba."

2. A white-colored leaflet entitled "The Truth About Cuba is in Cuba."

The Identification Division was requested to examine the above items for any latent fingerprints and to compare any latent fingerprints developed with those of LEE HARVEY OSWALD. On July 31, 1964, the Identification Division advised that one latent fingerprint had been developed on Item #1, a yellow-colored leaflet entitled "Hands Off Cuba." In addition, one latent fingerprint had been developed on Item #2, a white-colored leaflet, entitled "The Truth About Cuba is in Cuba."

The Identification Division further advised that the two latent fingerprints developed are not identical with the fingerprints of LEE HARVEY OSWALD.