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SAC DeNavies, San Antonio *ms*

Lee Harvey Oswald

This confirms your long distance telephone call today requesting that this office contact U. S. Immigration and U. S. Customs regarding the newspaper account that Lee Harvey Oswald entered Mexico September 26 via Laredo, Texas, and then departed Mexico for the United States on October 3 at Laredo, Texas.

Mr. Charles Drumming, in charge of the Investigation Division of the U. S. Immigration Service, stated that his Service had no information regarding the alleged entry of Lee Harvey Oswald into Mexico; that he would telephone their agent in charge in Laredo and report any information he had. Mr. Drumming stated that the Immigration Service in Washington, D. C. is supposed to have a file on Lee Harvey Oswald and on his wife, since she is an alien.

Mr. Jesus Martinez, Agent in Charge, Customs Agency Service, San Antonio, was interviewed and he stated that he understood that Assistant Agent in Charge William N. Kline at Laredo had information on the entry of Oswald into Mexico and that he would call him by long distance and report all information he had.

Mr. Martinez reported later that he had talked to William N. Kline and that Mr. Kline stated that he had received a long distance call from Mr. Lester Johnson, Deputy Commissioner, U. S. Customs Agency Service, Washington, D. C., to make an investigation regarding the alleged entry of Lee Harvey Oswald into Mexico. That he went to the immigration authorities of the Mexican Government at Nuevo Laredo, Mexico, and these authorities would not exhibit to him any documents they had on Lee Harvey Oswald. That he obtained the assistance of Mr. Cash, U. S. Vice Consul in Nuevo Laredo, and accompanied by Mr. Cash again called at the Mexican immigration office and saw documents showing the entry of Lee Harvey Oswald into Mexico on September 26 at Laredo, Texas, and his departure from Mexico to the United States via Laredo, Texas, on October 3, 1963. That he was informed by the Mexican authorities that these documents were being sent immediately to Mexico City.

Mr. Martinez stated that Mr. Kline also stated that a newspaper reporter had called him and that he had confirmed the information that he had seen documents showing the entry and exit of Lee Harvey Oswald.

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Mr. Charles Browning reported that he had talked to Mr. Allen Skinner, Immigration Agent in Charge at Laredo, who stated that he had not seen any documents and did not know anything about the entry of Oswald into Mexico. Mr. Browning stated that he had heard that the Mexican authorities had turned over to the Ambassador in Mexico City the information concerning Lee Harvey Oswald's visit to Mexico and that same had been furnished to the State Department in Washington, D. C.

Mr. William Brookings, Assistant Special Agent in Charge, FBI, San Antonio, stated that his office had not developed any evidence that Lee Harvey Oswald had entered Mexico; that he had been informed that the Mexican authorities had documents reflecting the entry of a person under the name of Lee Harvey Oswald into Mexico but that he understands that this has not been verified by eyewitnesses; that it could be that their office in Mexico City may have obtained information regarding Lee Harvey Oswald in Mexico City but that his office has not been furnished copies of these reports.

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