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1/27/64 Nation article refers to article of Lonnie Hudkins' in 1/1/64 Huston "Post", "Oswald Rumored as Informant for U. S." wherein Hudkins indicated he received information on authority of William Alexander, Assistan District Attorney, Dallas, that Agent Hosty's home and office phone and car license numbers Hudkins quotes Henry in Oswald's possession. Made, Dallas District Attorney, saying, "It may be true but I don't think it will ever be made public as it is." We interviewed Wade and Alexander re remarks attributed them, results set forth in separate memorandum analysing Nation article. Attached teletype reflects data received from Wade and Alexander regarding appearance before President's Commission Washington, D. C., 1/24/64. Wade states told Commission was misquoted by reporte and had no info Oswald was informant FBI or any Government agency. Alexander stated told Commission had no information Oswald being Informant FBI, CIA or other Government agency. He pointed out in Oswald's notebook seized by Police, Agent Hosty's name appeared along with many others also telephone number of Dallas Office and license number of a car. Wade told Commission he overheard reports and some reporter said Oswald was on payroll of Government at \$200 a month.

Wade discussed with Chief Justice Warren undesirability making FBI reports available to defense in Ruby case. Wade said Warren told him he had written letter to Belli, Ruby's attorney, informing him Commission not in investigative agency and requests for reports would have to be taken up with Department Warren also referred to letter directed to Mr. Moover stating position of Commission re files. Attached teletype sets data regarding William Alemander, Dallas Assistant District Attorney, raising question regarding Alexander's mental stability.

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TO: SAC, SAN ANTONIO (105-2909) FROM: DIRECTOR, FBI (105-82555)

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Rerep SA John M. Kenny, 1-17-64, San Antonio.

Bureau is not disseminating rerep. Note that Synopsis does not synopsize details. Information on page two describing reason for investigation set forth on pages 3 through 10 is unnecessary and does not relate to inquiry set forth on pages 3 through 8, basis of which was to determine whether or not Oswald was in Austin, Texas, 9-25-63. Basis of statements of Lorine Shuler, cashier, Trek Cafe, on page 4, rerep, as to irresponsibility of Florence Norman and the private expressions of Norman is not set forth and in the event specifics in this regard are not available, they should be deleted.

Inquiry at Trek Cafe has not, to date, established working hours of Norman on 9-25-63. You should, if possible, ascertain same. Note that Shuler stated Norman told her of having seen Oswald as customer at the Trek. Your interview of Norman on pages 5 and 6, rerep, reports she claimed not to have discussed her observations of person thought to be Oswald at Trek with anyone, not even her parents. Page 6 continues, however, that she admitted talking to a local reporter presumably about the incident. Page 6, rerep, also reports Mrs. Norman admitted talking with Mr. Day about seeing Oswald as a customer.

Note also that Shuler is reported as saying she could not recall an instance during Norman's employment when 1 - Dallas (100-10461)

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Norman was only waitress on duty at the Trek. Against this Norman is reported as having stated she was alone in the restaurant and that no customer or other employee, except the cook in the kitchen was present when man thought to be Oswald was there. She thereafter is reported as having stated that Day could have been present. Clarify these points.

Refer to Buairtel 1-14-64 instructing that L. B. Day be interviewed. Rewrite rerep in accordance with foregoing observations and include therein results of your interview of Day. Also include results of your inquiry at airlines, Austin, as requested Buairtel 1-14-64.

Refer to page 18, your 1-6-64 report in this case, wherein Ronnie Dugger is reported as having stated he reveloped no information indicating Oswald was in Austin other than information furnished by Mrs. Lee Dannelly. Report of Dugger interview despite aforementioned comment contains information that he interviewed Stella Norman who reported she believed she saw Oswald in Trek Cafe some two months prior to his interview and that he had been informed by L. B. Day that he claimed to have seen the man referred to by Norman and that he was convinced this person was Oswald. Submit amended page 18 resolving obvious inconsistency. Handle immediately and suairtel date revised report and amended page will be submitted. Exercise caution to prevent recurrence of reporting delinquencies as noted herein and score errors.

ReKCtel 1-17-64 re negative inquiry KC to locate John Howard Bowen.

Maintain contact with Oscar Ferrino, St. Anthony's Hotel, Laredo, to insure you are immediately advised when Ferrino learns of Bowen's forwarding address.

NOTE: We believe Oswald may have been in Austin afternoon 9-25 and we are trying to establish if during his trip to Mexico he traveled in round-about fashion from NO to Austin, thence east to HO and from HO by bus to Laredo. We know he boarded bus at HO 2 am, 9-26 and that he telephoned a woman in HO between 7 and 9 pm on the 26th Mrs. Dannelly of State Selective Service Headquartes, Austin, believes he was in her office at 1 pm, 9-25-63.

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We would like to have a report from SA which thoroughly runs out all necessary investigation at Austin, to see if Oswald was there on 9-25-63. PLAIN TEXT

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TO SAC DALLAS

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QUESTION MRS. OSMALD IN SUCH FASHION SO AS TO DETERMINE IF SUCH MAY BE THE CASE. NOTE THAT MRS. PAINE HAS STATED SHE WAS AWARE THAT OSMALD WAS IN MEXICO FROM HER PERUSAL OF A ROUGH DRAFT LETTER PREPARED BY OSMALD. ASCERTAIN IF MRS. OSMALD SPOKE WITH MRS. PAINE ABOUT OSWALD'S TRIP TO MEXICO OR ABOUT THE ROUGH DRAFT LETTER. JCS:hrt '

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THROUGH NRS. PAINE OBTAIN SPECIFICS CONCERNING THE ROUGH DRAFT LETTER AND ASCERTAIN ITS PRESENT WHEREABOUTS. QUESTION HER CONCERNING CONVERSATIONS SHE MAY HAVE HAD WITH MRS. OSNALD CONCERNING SUBJECT'S NEXICAN TRIP, THE ROUGH DRAFT LETTER AND THE MATERIAL REFERRED TO ADOVE.

NOTE: Commission has asked if Mrs. Oswald was specifically questioned concerning the picture postcards which subject apparently bought in Mexico. These cards and other items he purchased in Mexico were belatedly found by Mrs. Paine and turned over to the Irving police. If Mrs. Oswald knew of the existence of these article, it follows that she likely realized her husband had been to Mexico. This aspect should be resolved.

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To: SAC, Seattle (89-47)

From: Director, FBI (105-82555)

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Re report SA V. M. Williams, II, dated 1-13-64 at Seattle, Washington.

Your attention is directed to page 16 of referenced report wherein you set forth exact file references of your office reporting information concerning Al Sients. As you are aware, this reporting practice is not acceptable and data such as this should be included in the cover pages of a report. In the event you desire to include information in your files concerning Al Elents, such data should be information in your files concerning Al Elents, such data should be information in your files concerning Al Elents, such data should be properly reported using the name of your source or a T = symbol, if necessary, to protect the source's identity. In addition, conclusions of your office should not be net forth as was done in paragraph 3 of page 16 of referenced report.

Submit an anended page 16 of referenced report to the Bureau immediately.

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NICHAEL RALPH PAINE IS - R BURIAU FILE: 105-126129 DALLAS FILE: 105-1717

Enclosed are two copies of a letter which was forwarded to the Bureau by the President's Commission on the Assassination of Fresident Kennedy dated January 13, 1964, which is self-explanatory.

You should make certain in your investigations of Ruth and Michael Paine that you fully develop all data bearing on the Laines' education, employment, relatives, associates, travel and financial activity. Inassuch as the Faines were separated for a time, you should make a thorough check for separate bank accounts and other separate financial activities on the part of both Ruth and Michael Paime.

Results of your investigation of the Paines should be reported in the appropriate captioned matters.

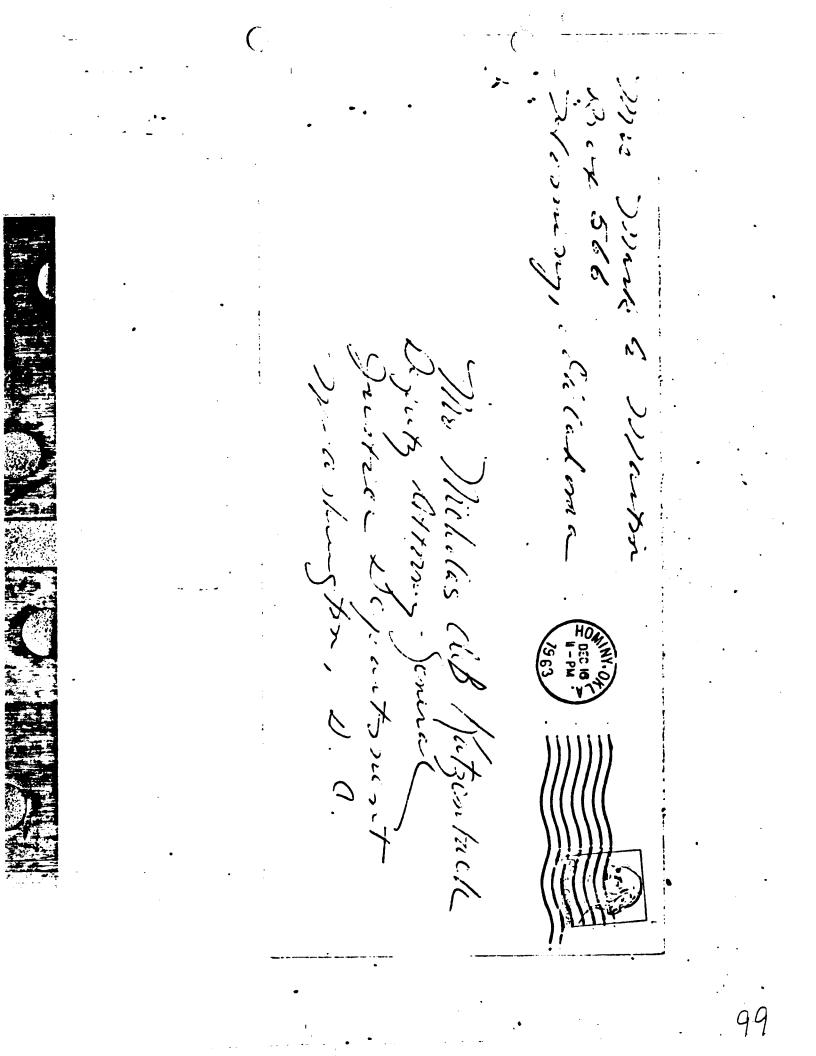
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NOTE: By letter 1-13-64 Mr. Rankin of the President's Commission indicated the Commission was looking into the activities of Ruth and Michael Paine in connection with the Oswald case. Oswald's wife, Marina, was residing at the Paine residence in Irving, Texas, at the time Oswald killed the President. Mr. Rankin requested full-scale background intelligence-type report of the Paines. We have, of course, already instructed the field to conduct such investigation and we have submitted twelve reports on the Paines to the Commission already and are in the process of forwarding additional reports on the Paines.

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To: SAC, Miami (157-601)

Front Director, FBI (105-66233)

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Re Miami airtel 12/31/63 with accompanying LHM.

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LULI fails to evaluate NN T-2. Score errors and forward amondod pages.

Your communication fails to indicate dissemination to Secret Service in compliance with Eureau airtel to all offices, 12/19/63, under the caption "Dissemination of Information to U. S. Socret Service, Racial Katters; Eombing Matters," although the information contained in the LHM appears to be of interest to Secret Service. It is noted that information furnished in your communications previously by NM T-2 has been disseminated to Secret Service and that Secret Service has been in touch with Sonersett rolative to information furnished by him concorning J. A. Wilteer.

Concerning the information set forth that Earl Linder of Eismi informed William Somersett that J. B. Stoner, the attorney for the National States Rights Party (NSRP), made an appeal for money stating it was the "Right Wing" which was indirectly responsible for the assessination of President John Kennedy, you should take the following action. Unless some reason exists for not doing so, you should immediately interview those persons who were in attendance at the home of May Elizabeth Eoltzhausser on December 26 and 27, 1963. Specifically Thomas Norton, Edith Schagelin, Earl L. Corvin, Carl Brown and Roy Tillotson should be interviewed for their comments concerning

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Stoner's remarks. The identities of other persons who were present at the meeting should be ascertained and they should also be interviewed. In view of the nature of the allegations continually received from Somersett, every effort must be made to pin this information down with the dual purpose of running out the information and checking into the veracity of Somersett.

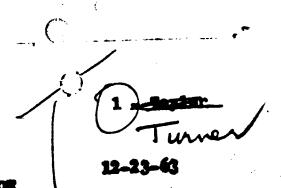
Forward amended pages for the LHM dated 12/31/63 evaluating Somersett and following the interviews of the other persons at the meetings, forward another LHM setting forth their comments. This matter should receive your prompt attention.

LHN furnished by MN quotes information furnished by " Tormer racial informant William Somersett who, in the past, has NOTE: furnished information of a highly fantastic nature not susceptible of corroboration. In the recent past, Somersett furnished information of interest to Secret Service as it concerned J. A. Milteer's alleged statements that Right Wing groups therehad had something to do with the assassination of President Kennedy; however, investigation showed there was no truth in the information reported by Somersett. As the current memorandum, however, contains allegations that J. B. Stoner of the NSRP is appealing for money on the grounds the "Right Wing was indirectly responsible for the assassination" through infiltration of Oswald's group, it appears the information should nevertheless be disseminated, but that the source should be shown with proper evaluation.

In addition, it is felt that the other persons present at the meetings where Stoner spoke should be interviewed 4n order to pin down this information and in order to once and for all, if possible, pin down Somersett and his allegations.

This matter has been brought to the attention of the Domestic Intelligence Division.

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FROM DIRECTOR FBI (105-82555)

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NOTE:

The Commission has requested the Bureau to determine if Oswald sent or received Western Union money orders. He resided in Fort Worth, Dallas, and New Orleans since return to the U.S. in June, 1962. Inquires have determined that Western Union money orders are retained locally for approximately a six-month period and thereafter sent to Central Office, Minneapolis, where they are filed by city of origin, then by date, then by name. Thus it is possible to check for those sent and received during the past six months in Dallas and New Orleans where subject resided in the past six months. Dallas has already checked negatively. New Orleans can check this with expenditure of twelve Agent days. This is justified.

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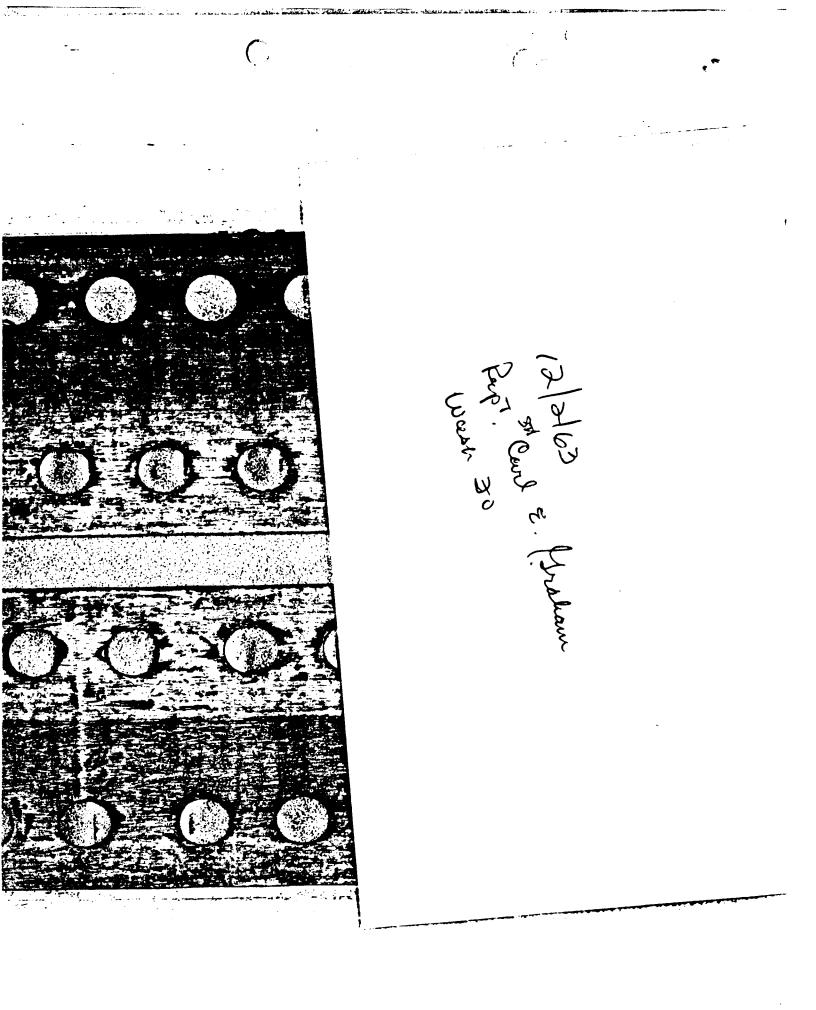
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LETTER SENT TO MAJOR GENERAL ASHTO BERBERT MANHART, DEPUTY DIRECTOR. JOINT STATE MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION CONCERNING (GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION) (CRIMINAL SECTION)

Enclosed for San Francisco and Dallas Fre B of a letter believed written by one Earry M. Lowell; 3105 East 14th Street, Oakland, California, which was furnishe to the Bureau through lisison by Mr. Harry J. Querrieri, Security Office, Joint Staff, Pentagon, Washington, D. C., on the evening of 12-4-63. The original of this ocemunication has been furnished to the Secret Service headquarters in Washington, D. C.

For your information and possible assistance, Lafer General Ashton Merbert Manhart, Deputy Director, Joint Staff, at the Pentagon to whom this letter was addressed, is not acquisted with the writer or the individuals referred to is the letter. General Manhart could not furnish any information which would clarify the information contained in the letter. You will note the envelope which enclosed this letter was addressed to General Manhart at the Presidio, San Francisco, and apparently was forwarded to Fort Carson Colorado. Prior to Manhart's Assignment to the Joint Staff be was at Fort Carson, Colorado; however, there is as Indication Manhart was ever assigned to the Presidie.

No record identifiable with Marry M. Lovell could be located in Bureau files.

This matter is being referred to you since it contains reference to the late President/Songedy's family. 53 611 . 23

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