

Expanded CIA probe under study

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WASHINGTON — The Rockefeller commission is discussing with White House officials the possibility of expanding its investigation of the Central Intelligence Agency to include allegations of CIA involvement in plots to assassinate foreign leaders, informed sources said Sunday.

"Nothing has been decided," said one White House official.

A White House spokesman, asked about a New York Times report that the commission would investigate such allegations, said Saturday night, "As far as I know there's been no change in the President's position."

Knowledgeable sources said President Ford was troubled by news accounts linking the CIA to several assassination plots during the past 20 years, and indicated he views the panel headed by Vice President Nelson A. Rockefeller as one way to delve into the allegations.

A White House source also acknowledged there had been discussions of extending the Rockefeller commission's term. Originally, the panel was to complete its probe of alleged domestic spying by the CIA within 90 days.

On Tuesday, White House Press Secretary Ron Nessen noted that the Rockefeller Commission's mandate called for it to look into allegations of illegal domestic spying and added that a probe of the assassination plot charges would be appropriate for a special Senate intelligence committee.

Conspiracy hinted in JFK killing

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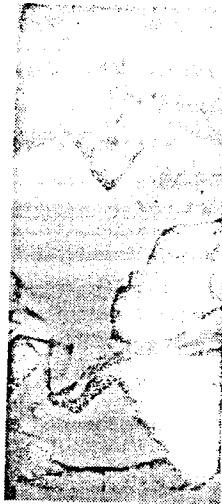
NEW YORK — The New York Review of Books made public Monday two photographs of a man who allegedly identified himself as Lee Harvey Oswald in contacting the Soviet Embassy in Mexico City in 1963.

The Warren Commission, investigating the assassination of President John F. Kennedy on Nov. 22, 1963, reported that Lee Harvey Oswald visited both the Cuban and Soviet embassies in Mexico City in late September or early October 1963.

The man in the photographs released by the New York Review of Books is not Lee Harvey Oswald.

In an article in the New York Review, George O'Toole and Bernard Fensterwald, who obtained release of the photographs through a suit under the Freedom of Information Act, cite Warren Commission documents reporting that a man who identified himself as Lee Oswald contacted the Soviet Embassy in Mexico City.

The man, according to the Warren Commission documents, was described as about 35, with an athletic build, about 6 feet tall and with a receding hairline. Os-



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Photo shows a man who identified himself in 1963 as Lee Harvey Oswald.

wald was 24 years old and of slight build.

One picture of this man was subsequently released. Fensterwald and O'Toole quote former CIA Director Richard Helms as saying the picture was taken in Mexico City on Oct. 4, 1963.

This picture was shown to Marguerite Oswald, Lee Harvey Oswald's mother, the day after the assassination.

The two additional photographs, according to Fensterwald and O'Toole, also were taken by hidden CIA surveillance cameras that photographed persons entering or leaving Communist embassies.

Rockefeller panel will investigate CIA death plots

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WASHINGTON—The Rockefeller Commission expanded its investigation of the Central Intelligence Agency Monday to include a limited probe of allegations the spy agency plotted the assassination of foreign leaders.

For the present, the panel headed by Vice President Nelson A. Rockefeller will limit itself to any domestic activities related to assassination plots. But White House sources said that President Ford was considering changing the commission's mandate to cover the entire area of assassinations.

Former Defense Secretary Clark Clifford told newsmen after testifying before the commission Monday he had no knowledge of assassination plots at the CIA during his seven years dealing with the agency. Before becoming defense secretary in 1968, Clifford served as chairman of the President's Foreign Intelligence Advisory Board, which oversees the CIA and reports to the President.