

5/18/83

In citations of FBI file numbers, the first is FBIHQ 105-82555, the second is FBI Mexico City 105-3702, both Lee Harvey Oswald titled. The subject is the Mexico City report of 5/18/64. The worksheets indicate more pages than the various messages. (Among the possible explanations is the withholding of what the FBI calls administrative pages from the Commission.)

In 5069 (1280) Mexico City forecasts almost unimaginable disaster if its report is declassified for and published by the Commission. MC is so paranoid it would not discuss the matter on the phone. Its fear is exactly that claimed in many FOIA cases and because of disclosure, the fear is proven to be entirely unreasonable:

"...publication would materially damage our operations in Mexico and conceivably would result in the need to suspend them completely."

It also would "destroy" the <sup>confidence</sup> "confidence" of sources and "years or work in establishing it."

The worksheet shows disclosure in FBIHQ general releases, 12/77 or 1/78. Copies not attached because copier not working. Serial for checking 3702 worksheets (Section II) is 899. Bud had.

The first page of the 5/18/64 report is stamped "SECRET" but as of 7/14/77 is noted as "all paragraphs are unclassified except where noted" by 2040. Originally the typed cover claims "Group I, Excluded from Automatic Downgrading and Declassification."

5195 (1294) reflects that the report could be and was made suitable for disclosure by FBIHQ. There is extensive withholding within this record, some ridiculous, like "In view of extensive investigation conducted into the allegations of (withheld) and in light of the tenuous nature of his claims, it is deemed inadvisable to delete his identity." With this telling 2040 in 1977 that the name had already been disclosed and published, he withholds it.

This disclosure of classified information, without any reported alterations in texts, from the relatively small percentage of FBI reports that involved Mexico City, is also reported in 5280 (1301A), 5254 (1301B), 5281 (1301C), 5265 (1301D), 5271 (1301E) and 5264 (1302A).

Obviously, no harm resulted from disclosure.

SAC, Dallas (100-10461)

11/18/64

Director, FBI (105-82555)

LEE HARVEY OSWALD  
IS - R - CUBA

Recep of SA Wilton E. Knack dated October 31, 1963,  
at New Orleans, Louisiana, in captioned matter.

For the information of each office, referenced  
report of SA Knack has been declassified by the Bureau. Each  
office should declassify copies of such report in its possession.

- 1 - Little Rock (105-400)
- 1 - New Orleans (100-26001)
- 1 - Legat. Mexico City

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NOTE:

Instant report of Special Agent Knack was declassified  
when sent to the President's Commission. Commission now intends to  
publish such report as back-up data to its summary report on the  
assassination.

REC-53 105-82555

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NOV 18 1964

- Tolson \_\_\_\_\_
- DeLoach \_\_\_\_\_
- Mohr \_\_\_\_\_
- Bishop \_\_\_\_\_
- Casper \_\_\_\_\_
- Callahan \_\_\_\_\_
- Conrad \_\_\_\_\_
- Evans \_\_\_\_\_
- Malone \_\_\_\_\_
- Rosen \_\_\_\_\_
- Sullivan \_\_\_\_\_
- Tavel \_\_\_\_\_
- Trotter \_\_\_\_\_
- Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_
- Holmes \_\_\_\_\_
- Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

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MC 105-3702-1301A

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1 - Mr. Lennihan

SAC, Dallas (100-10461)

11/16/64

Director, FBI (105-82535)

LEE HARVEY OSWALD  
IS - 2

Recopy of SA John W. Fain dated July 3, 1961, at Dallas, Texas, in captioned matter. For information of each office, referenced report of SA Fain has been declassified by the Bureau. Each office should declassify copies of such report in its possession. The Dallas Office should notify the Office of Naval Intelligence, New Orleans, that the instant report of SA Fain has been declassified. The Dallas Office should also notify the Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS), Dallas, that such report has been declassified, inasmuch as a copy of such report was furnished INS, Dallas, December 7, 1961.

1 - Legat, Paris  
1 - Legat, Mexico City

1 - Foreign Liaison Unit

REL:mc

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NOTE:

Instant report of SA Fain was declassified when sent to the President's Commission. Commission now intends to publish such report as back-up data to its summary report on the assassination.

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5264

Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
DeLoach \_\_\_\_\_  
Mohr \_\_\_\_\_  
Bishop \_\_\_\_\_  
Casper \_\_\_\_\_  
Callahan \_\_\_\_\_  
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Felt \_\_\_\_\_  
Gale \_\_\_\_\_  
Rosen \_\_\_\_\_  
Sullivan \_\_\_\_\_  
Tavel \_\_\_\_\_  
Trotter \_\_\_\_\_  
Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_  
Holmes \_\_\_\_\_  
Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

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mc 105-3702-1301B

1 - Mr. Lenihan

SAC, Dallas (100-10461)

11/13/64

Director, FBI (105-82555)

LEE HARVEY OSWALD  
IS - R

Re: SA James P. Hosty dated September 10, 1963,  
at Dallas, Texas.

For the information of each office, referenced  
report of SA Hosty has been declassified by the Bureau. Each  
office should declassify copies of such report in its possession.

- 1 - New Orleans
- 1 - Legat, Mexico City

REL:mc

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NOTE:

Instant report of SA Hosty was declassified when we sent  
it to the President's Commission. Commission now intends to  
publish a number of our reports as back-up data to its summary  
report on the assassination. This is to notify designated  
offices that this report has been declassified.

REC-54 57-71-5281

- Tolson \_\_\_\_\_
- DeLoach \_\_\_\_\_
- Mohr \_\_\_\_\_
- Walters \_\_\_\_\_
- Casper \_\_\_\_\_
- Callahan \_\_\_\_\_
- Conrad \_\_\_\_\_
- Felt \_\_\_\_\_
- Gale \_\_\_\_\_
- Rosen \_\_\_\_\_
- Sullivan \_\_\_\_\_
- Tavel \_\_\_\_\_
- Trotter \_\_\_\_\_
- Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_
- Holmes \_\_\_\_\_
- Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

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MC 105-3702-1301C

1 - Mr. Lenihan

SAC, Dallas (100-10461)

11/16/64

Director, FBI (105-82555)

LEE HARVEY OSWALD  
IR - R

Re: Report of SA John W. Fain dated July 10, 1962, at Dallas, Texas, in captioned matter. For information of each office, referenced report of SA Fain has been declassified by this Bureau. Each office should declassify copy of such report in its possession. The Dallas Office should notify the Office of Naval Intelligence, New Orleans, and the Immigration and Naturalization Service, Dallas, Texas, that such report has been declassified.

1 - Legat, Mexico City

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NOTE:

Instant report of SA Fain was declassified when sent to the President's Commission. Commission now intends to publish such report as back-up data to its summary report on the assassination.

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NOV 16 1964  
COMM-FBI

Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
DeLoach \_\_\_\_\_  
Mohr \_\_\_\_\_  
Bishop \_\_\_\_\_  
Casper \_\_\_\_\_  
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Rosen \_\_\_\_\_  
Sullivan \_\_\_\_\_  
Tavel \_\_\_\_\_  
Trotter \_\_\_\_\_  
Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_  
Holmes \_\_\_\_\_  
Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

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MAIL ROOM  TELETYPE UNIT

MC 105-3702-1301D

SAC, Dallas (100-10461)

11/17/64

Director, FBI (105-82555)

LEE HARVEY OSWALD  
IS - R

Rerep of SA John W. Fain dated August 30, 1962,  
at Dallas, Texas, in captioned matter.

For the information of each office, referenced  
report of SA Fain has been declassified by the Bureau. Each  
office should declassify copies of such report in its  
possession. The Dallas Office should notify the Office of  
Naval Intelligence, New Orleans, and the Immigration and  
Naturalization Service, Dallas, Texas, that such report has  
been declassified.

1 - Legat, Mexico City

REU:mc  
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NOTE:

Instant report of SA Fain was declassified when sent  
to the President's Commission. Commission now intends to publish  
such report as back-up data to its summary report on the  
assassination.

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REC 30

105-82555-5271

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COMM-FBI

- Tolson \_\_\_\_\_
- DeLoach \_\_\_\_\_
- Mohr \_\_\_\_\_
- Walters \_\_\_\_\_
- Casper \_\_\_\_\_
- Callahan \_\_\_\_\_
- Conrad \_\_\_\_\_
- Felt \_\_\_\_\_
- Gale \_\_\_\_\_
- Rosen \_\_\_\_\_
- Sullivan \_\_\_\_\_
- Tavel \_\_\_\_\_
- Trotter \_\_\_\_\_
- Tele. Rm. \_\_\_\_\_
- Holmes \_\_\_\_\_
- Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

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MC 105-370 2-1301E

1 - Mr. Lehman

SAC, Dallas (100-10461)

11/16/64

Director, FBI (105-82555)

LEE HARVEY OSWALD  
IS - R

Recap of SA John W. Fain dated July 3, 1961, at Dallas, Texas, in captioned matter. For information of each office, referenced report of SA Fain has been declassified by the Bureau. Each office should declassify copies of such report in its possession. The Dallas Office should notify the Office of Naval Intelligence, New Orleans, that the instant report of SA Fain has been declassified. The Dallas Office should also notify the Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS), Dallas, that such report has been declassified, inasmuch as a copy of such report was furnished INS, Dallas, December 7, 1961.

- 1 - Legat, Paris
- 1 - Legat, Mexico City
- 1 - Foreign Liaison Unit

REL:mc  
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NOTE:

Instant report of SA Fain was declassified when sent to the President's Commission. Commission now intends to publish such report as back-up data to its summary report on the assassination.

MAILED 30  
NOV 16 1964  
COMM-FBI

REC 4  
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5264

- Tolson \_\_\_\_\_
- DeLoach \_\_\_\_\_
- Mohr \_\_\_\_\_
- Bishop \_\_\_\_\_
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- Sullivan \_\_\_\_\_
- Tavel \_\_\_\_\_
- Trotter \_\_\_\_\_
- Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_
- Holmes \_\_\_\_\_
- Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

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MC 105-3702-1302A

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Casper	_____
Callahan	_____
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Sullivan	_____
Tavel	_____
Trotter	_____
Tele. Room	_____
Holmes	_____
Gandy	_____

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AIRGRAM     CABLEGRAM     RADIO     TELETYPE

VERY URGENT 9-25-64  
 TO DIRECTOR (105-82555)  
 FROM LEGAT MEXICO CITY NO. 882

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED  
 HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED  
 EXCEPT WHERE SHOWN  
 OTHERWISE

LEE HARVEY OSWALD, IS - R - CUBA.

REMY TELEPHONE CALL TO ASSISTANT DIRECTOR W. C. SULLIVAN  
 TODAY.

IT IS BELIEVED FOLLOWING FACTORS, WHICH COULD NOT BE  
 MENTIONED IN TELEPHONE CALL FOR SECURITY REASONS, SHOULD BE  
 TAKEN INTO CONSIDERATION IN REACHING DECISION AS TO WHETHER  
 MEXICO LHM OF MAY 18 LAST SHOULD BE DECLASSIFIED IN ORDER TO  
 PERMIT ITS PUBLICATION BY COMMISSION.

WRITER FEELS MOST STRONGLY THAT LHM SHOULD NOT BE  
 DECLASSIFIED AS ITS PUBLICATION WOULD MATERIALLY DAMAGE OUR  
 OPERATIONS IN MEXICO AND CONCEIVABLY WOULD RESULT IN NEED TO  
 SUSPEND THEM COMPLETELY.

MC 105-82555-5069

[REDACTED]

AND CONTAINED PAGES 122 - 127 LHM ON [REDACTED]  
 IF PUBLISHED, PROBABLY WOULD PERMIT THEM  
 READILY TO IDENTIFY THE SOURCE AND WOULD ENABLE THEM AND  
 OTHER MEMBERS OF AMERICAN COMMUNIST GROUP IN MEXICO TO RATHER  
 ACCURATELY ESTIMATE THE DEPTH OF OUR COVERAGE ON THIS GROUP.

[REDACTED]

Classified by 2040  
 Exempt from GDS, Category 2-3  
 Date of Declassification Indefinite

Choy-Bennigan

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If the intelligence contained in the above message is to be disseminated outside the Bureau, it is suggested that it be suitably  
 paraphrased in order to protect the Bureau's cryptographic systems.

MC 105-3702-1280



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 Belmont \_\_\_\_\_  
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 Trotter \_\_\_\_\_  
 Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_  
 Holmes \_\_\_\_\_  
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AIRGRAM     CABLEGRAM     RADIO     TELETYPE

PAGE TWO                      FROM LEGAT MEXICO CITY    NO. 882

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USUALLY INFORMATION FURNISHED BY EXCELLENT LIAISON CONTACTS OF THIS OFFICE WAS GIVEN AS A RESULT OF CONFIDENCE INSTILLED BY US IN THESE CONTACTS OVER THE YEARS THAT INFORMATION FURNISHED BY THEM TO US WOULD BE HANDLED IN SUCH A MANNER AS TO CAUSE NO EMBARRASSMENT TO THEM.

PUBLICATION OF THE ENTIRE LHM COULD WELL DESTROY THIS CONFIDENCE AND YEARS OF WORK INVOLVED IN ESTABLISHING IT.

IF IT IS STILL FELT THAT THE BUREAU, IN ORDER TO FULFILL ITS COMMITMENTS TO THE PRESIDENT AND THE COMMISSION, SHOULD DECLASSIFY THE LHM, IT IS STRONGLY RECOMMENDED THAT A SANITIZED VERSION OF THE LHM BE PREPARED, OMITTING THOSE PARTS WHICH COULD SERIOUSLY DAMAGE OUR OPERATIONS HERE IF PUBLISHED.

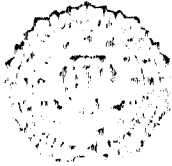
CLARK D. ANDERSON

RECEIVED: 11:11 PM JR

3RD CC: MR. ROSEN

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

**SECRET**

MAY 18 1964

LEE HARVEY OSWALD

*all paragraphs  
are unclassified  
except line noted  
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7/14/83  
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Group 1

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MC 105-3702-899

1 - Al Room  
1 - Mr. Stokes

10/12/64

Airtel

To: Legat, Mexico City (105-3702)

From: Director, FBI (105-82555) — 5195

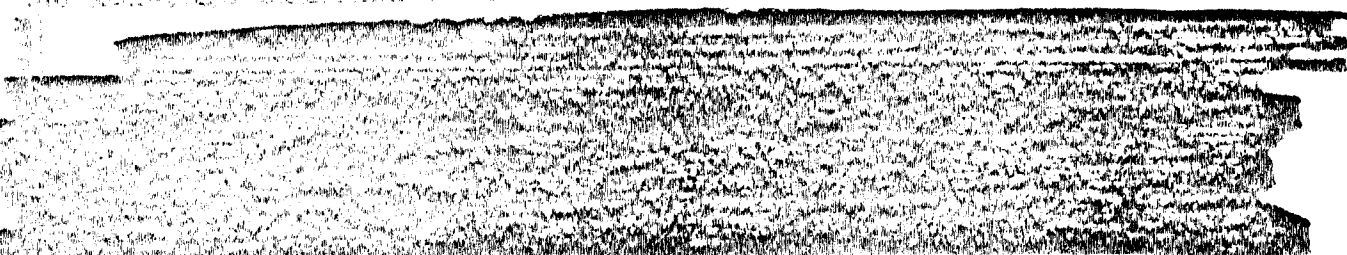
RE: HARVEY OSWALD  
IS - R - CUBA

Re Legat cable number 885 dated 9/29 last and Legat airtel of same date, one copy of each of which is enclosed for information of Dallas.

Enclosed for Legat are title page and 40 pages of your 5/18 last summary letterhead in this case which have been amended by the Bureau in order to enable declassification of your summary letterhead. The declassified version of your summary letterhead has been reproduced by the Bureau on xerox equipment and, where possible, the pages in your original summary were utilized in the unclassified version. The 40 pages enclosed herewith, when inserted among the appropriate pages in your classified letterhead, constitute the unclassified version furnished to the President's Commission. Note in this regard that the information set forth on pages 122 through and including 127 of your classified letterhead has been condensed into pages 122 through and including 126 in the unclassified version. This has necessitated renumbering the pages in the original draft beginning with page 128. The unclassified version is now 178 pages in length as opposed to the 186-page classified version.

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Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
DeLoach \_\_\_\_\_  
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Trotter \_\_\_\_\_  
Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_  
Holmes \_\_\_\_\_  
Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

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1 - Dallas (100-10461) (Enclosures - 42)  
1 - Foreign Liaison Unit

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SEE NOTE PAGE THREE.

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MC 105-3702-1294

Airtel to Legat, Mexico City  
RE: LES HARVEY OSTALD  
105-82555

[REDACTED]

In preparing the unclassified version, the Bureau has endeavored to include therein results of all investigation, specifically requested by the Commission, and any investigation which was touched upon in the Commission's summary report. Accordingly, it was not possible to completely delete all of the information concerning Charles Small. The information concerning Small furnished by [REDACTED] has been further condensed in the unclassified version and dates when information was furnished by sources have been deleted.

In view of the extensive investigation conducted into the allegations of [REDACTED] and in light of the serious nature of his claims, Bureau deemed it inadvisable to delete his identity.

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Airtel to Legat, Mexico City  
RE: LEE HARVEY OSWALD  
109-12555

[REDACTED]

Enclosed for Dallas in addition to referenced Legat communications are the title page and the 40 amended pages of the unclassified version of Legat's 5/18/64 letterhead.

NOTE:

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1 Mr. Stokes

10/29/64

Airtel

To: Legat, Mexico City (105-3702)

From: Director, FBI (105-82555)

LEE HARVEY OSWALD  
IS - R - CUBA

ReBuairtel to Legat, Mexico City, 10/12 last enclosing title page and 49 pages of Legat's 5/18 last summary letterhead in this case which were amended by the Bureau in order to enable declassification of Legat's summary letterhead.

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At the request of CIA, the Bureau has further amended pages 154 through 157 of the declassified version of summary letterhead by deleting therefrom the name of and other identifying data pertinent to [redacted] who is now referred to on amended pages 154 through 157 as source T-32.

Enclosed for Legat and Dallas is one copy each of amended pages 154 through 157.

Enclosures - 4

1 - Dallas (100-10461) (Enclosures - 4)

1 - Foreign Liaison Unit - Route through for review

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NOTE:

These amended pages were furnished to President's Commission on 10/21/64.

Mr. Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. DeLoach \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Mohr \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Bishop \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Casper \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Callahan \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Conrad \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Felt \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Gale \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Rosen \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Sullivan \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Tavel \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Trotter \_\_\_\_\_  
Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_  
Miss Holmes \_\_\_\_\_  
Miss Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

14- ENCLOSURE

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MAILED 25  
OCT 29 1964  
COMM-FBI

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