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TO: All Key Personnel on Special Investigation  
FROM: Jim Garrison (Lorraine Schuler)  
RE: Outstanding Leads

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Attached is a listing of some open leads that we have had for sometime. Details about specific assignments will be handled upon Mr. Garrison's return. These are being handed out in the meantime in case you should want to move on any of these leads immediately.

NOTE: In compiling this listing some duplications have occurred. These have been purposefully left in at this time in order to be sure that all available details have been included for your information. (See especially Nos. 20, 39, 65 and 67)

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PENDING LEADS

The purpose of this summary of outstanding leads is to provide follow-up machinery for closing them out. Included hereunder are leads in red files 1 and 2 and also various outstanding leads which have not yet been completed. (Inasmuch as the distribution of this memo is fairly large -- one to every individual with lead assignments -- the sources of these leads in many instances will be omitted. Where source information is desired it can be obtained from Tom Bethell or myself.)

1. It has been reported to us that Clay Shaw and two Cubans were seen several years ago hunting on the P & R Demolishing Company grounds in Algiers. The observer, Robert Stratton, has described the Cubans as being "funny looking".

2. We have been informed that at a restaurant known as Charlie's -- in the St. Charles Street area -- Oswald, Ferrie and others met from time to time. They were observed on at least one occasion by a deaf mute from Monroe, Louisiana. This deaf mute, who is able to read lips, made some notes concerning some of the conversation he overheard and turned them over to the manager of the restaurant. The notes have since been lost, but an effort should be made to locate this deaf mute. Aubrey Young, of Monroe, may be able to give us a lead in this regard.

3. Shirley Martin, a major critic who lives in Oklahoma, advises that Ronnie Hudkins visited here and related the following: That Hudkins once worked as a public relations man for H. L. Hunt, before he went with the Houston Post. Hunt once sought to have Hudkins go to Mexico City, along with R. D. Matthews (a friend of Jack Ruby's for twelve years and a former gambler in Cuba) and a third man to lie in wait to assassinate either Fidel Castro or an official from British Guiana, whichever came first.

NOTE: Matthews claims he was in Acapulco the day President Kennedy was assassinated.

(It is to be noted that one Richard Matthews, a New Orleans attorney who is usually found next to oil men, showed up at the Shaw trial and was busily conferring with the Shaw attorneys from time to time. It would be worthwhile to learn more about Matthews' origin and to learn whether or not he might be related to R. D. Matthews of Dallas.)

4. Information indicates that one Patrick Burke, an attorney, is aware of the relationship between Shaw and Ferrie. Although Burke appears to be a New Orleans attorney, the initial information appears to have come from Baton Rouge. (See memo from Hugh Crain.)

5. An informant advises that at the Medallion Real Estate Company there is a man named Lopez who once took a trip to Cuba with Clay Shaw.

6. Information received indicates that at the Westfeldt Brothers Insurance Company, at 528 Gravier, there is an employee who was introduced to Clay Shaw and at a time when Shaw's name was given as Bertrand. This individual was later surprised to learn that the man he met as Bertrand was really named Shaw.

7. Information received indicates that a man who held the Chair of Chemistry at a negro university in the New Orleans area (possibly Dillard) had occasion to meet Lee Oswald when Kerry Thornley was with him.

8. With regard to Civil Air Patrol records, it is noted that the testimony of Fred O'Sullivan, now an officer with the NOPD, indicates that Robert Boylston had the Civil Air Patrol records. It is noted that there is a man by this name with the Police Auxiliary.

9. June Rolfe, the wife of Richard Rolfe, has information that a woman attended one of Ferrie's parties -- possibly the one where Perry Russo was present -- with Perry Brown. She has ascertained that the first name of this woman, who is reported to be a lesbian, is Deema. Perry Brown, on initial questioning, has denied attending such a party.

10. Attorney G. Wray Gill advised that he had a contact with an Eastern welding company who has seen Clay Shaw in the New York and Washington area with a Cuban.

11. George O. Baird, a member of the Shreveport Police Jury, advises that he knows a man in Dallas (George deMohrenschildt) who obtained the post office box in Dallas which Lee Oswald used. According to Baird the box was entirely in deMohrenschildt's control and Oswald merely used it. An initial inquiry in this regard has been made by Bill Boxley.

12. A young lady whose real name is Christian Ehrlich, but who goes under the name of Kim, was overheard saying, "I balled Ruby and Oswald together in Dallas". This young lady used to work at the Belmont Bar in New Orleans and now works in New Rochelle in New York. Information about her present whereabouts can be obtained from Catherine Healy, who operates the Belmont Bar. Healy is cooperative and has advised that she will make Kim's number available. It has been confirmed that Kim did have some earlier connections with Ruby and probably with Ruby.

13. It appears to be time to question Marilyn Murret. Prior to the assassination she had traveled for three years extensively throughout the Middle East and Europe. When asked by the Warren Commission why she traveled so much she replied, in effect, that she was a school teacher. In the summer of 1963 she was in Mexico. She was in Haiti when deMoghenschildt was there. She was in Japan when John Pic was there. It appears likely that she had either a CIA or some other intelligence connection. Furthermore, one of the files concerning Harold Isaacs (who was the first cousin of Chuck Isaacs who is listed in Jack Ruby's notebook) concerns information provided about him by Marilyn Murret. This file, like all other files concerning Harold Isaacs, is classified as secret. At the very least, therefore, Marilyn Murret is aware of details which the Federal Government regards as secret. Her whereabouts can be ascertained by contacting Oswald's aunt and uncle on French Street.

14. The telegrams sent at the time Oswald was at the Dallas Western Union office should be reviewed. It is to be noted that one of the telegrams was sent to the Secretary of the Navy and one of the Western Union employees was convinced that it was Oswald who sent this telegram. In the light of our present knowledge about Oswald's connection with United States intelligence this is entirely possible and all of these telegrams, therefore, should be re-examined with this in mind.

15. A man by the name of Ed Horsey of 1010 Schuster Place in Kalamazoo, Michigan (381-7532) has information concerning a man named William Medina who is supposed to have taken a trip to Mexico with an individual involved in this case. This individual advises that Shaw used to spend much time in Michigan, and presumably he has information connecting Shaw with Medina and another individual in the case.

16. The Conoco station on Magazine Street in the vicinity of Washington appears to have been Mario Sosa's station. It is possible that Sosa now resides at 8116 Burthe. It was at this station that Miguel Torres met Emilio Santana. It should also be noted that on this same block lives a woman named Julia Evans (see "J, Evans") given as one of the references in Oswald's application for the Reily Coffee Company. It is also noted that there is a Sosa Refrigeration located at 3801 Magazine Street.

17. Mrs. Guy Banister has advised us that Delphine Roberts obtained a large number of files from Banister's office and gave some of them to Wray Gill. We should contact Gill to see if he has any of these files left. It is particularly important, as well, for us to work out a way to learn from Roberts what files she has left. She is basically uncooperative, is extremely militant in her political orientation and is very much under the control of Dean Andrews. Our earlier efforts to obtain files from her have resulted in her bringing up trash with the explanation that this is all she had. The probability would seem to be that she has more of these files in her attic or stored elsewhere.

18. I have an earlier note which indicates that there are additional phone calls made by Jack Ruby which are being kept in the Archives in a classified state. We should seek to obtain more information about these phone calls so that we can call attention to them and press for their release.

19. There is a man in Jefferson Parish named Robert L. Suggs, who operates Helicopter Petroleum Corporation. He is a relative of Jack Martin, whose original name was Suggs. It is to be noted that the name Suggs is indexed as being on one of the pages which mentions Ferrie's name and which is still classified as secret by the Federal Government. His place in Jefferson has an unusual amount of radio equipment (reportedly of a very sophisticated nature) and his office has maps of areas all over the world with pins on them. Further information about Suggs can be obtained from Sheriff

Louis Heyd or from Adam Falkenstein in the Sheriff's office. They are completely cooperative in this case.

20. The ownership of the premises at 4907 Magazine should be examined (especially with regard to 1963). I have rough notes which indicate that this building was owned by a person named Gregory. If this is the case we should then seek to confirm whether or not this person is related to Paul Gregory, who was an acquaintance of Oswald's in Ft. Worth.

21. Penn Jones states that George deMohrenschildt was reporting daily to Herman Brown (now deceased) of Brown and Root. We have no independent information that such is actually the case, however, this report must necessarily be treated as a lead and followed out.

22. The Anglican Orthodox Church of North America is operated by George Soule here. Soule is the local leader of the States Rights party. The head knocker for this outfit appears to be The Most Reverend James Parker Dees, 618 Walnut, Stateville, North Carolina. This church is located at 8705 Apricot (523-2122). More information is needed about the local branch of this church and its connection with ultra-right wing organizations.

23. Don Woods (whose father is Clare Woods of United Theaters) has a father-in-law who has an interesting picture which we should examine. It is a photograph as Shaw posing as a French

executioner with an axe at a costume ball. It might be interesting to see who else is at the costume ball and to learn more about this particular ball.

24. The testimony of H. H. Anderson describes his presence at a large party at which Jack Ruby was also present. He stated that a number of photographs were taken of the party because there was a roving photographer there. He also gave us the name of the individual who would have the photographs in Dallas. This individual should be located and all of these photographs examined very carefully to see, if possible, whether there is a picture of Ruby there and -- if so -- who else is present with him.

? | 25. A re-evaluation of Orest Pena apparently is now required. Here, for example, are some of his travels during an interesting period. In May, 1963 Pena went to Mexico for 14 days. On June 24, 1963 (the same day as Oswald applied) Pena applied for a passport to Spain for two weeks. In August, 1963 Pena, after putting up the bond for Carlos Bringuier following an altercation with Oswald, departed for Puerto Rico for two weeks. In May, 1964 Pena went to Europe and visited London, Paris, Madrid, Rome, Frankfort and Berlin. Pena described all of these trips as "vacations". His brother, Ruperto, describes himself as "more or less pro-Batista". Orest claims to be "against" Batista. Pena and Bringuier pretend to be enemies but I think there is a very, very real question about this.

? 26. Here is a note about the incorporators of the Church of the Abundant Light located at the corner of Tenth and Crawford -- which is approximately one block to the rear of the point where Officer Tippit was killed: one of the



incorporators was G. L. Sherrill, who is in the used car business on the 500 block of Singleton (behind the Continental Trailways). This location is about a block away from Ray Brantley's gun shop. Brantley and Sherrill were good friends. (Brantley, it will be recalled, is the individual from whom Louis McWillie requested that Jack Ruby obtain the guns he desired.) Sherrill now claims he does not know where the Reverend O. B. Graham, of the aforesaid church, is located. Graham is living at 300 E. Greenbriar, which is not far from the corner where Officer Tippit was parked facing Dealy Plaza from the Oak Cliff side of the Trinity River Gulch. Also living at 300 E. Greenbriar was Douglas Hodges, who owns a green pick-up truck which is exactly the type of truck (the "air-conditioning truck") which was seen by Julia Mercer at the assassination scene. Following recent inquiries by us in this area, Hodges has moved, apparently to San Antonio. He is an electrician, is going to work with his mother there and has a job on a 72-apartment building.

27. More information is needed about Eddie Blu's activity in New Orleans prior to his flying up to Shreveport on November 22nd. It should not be too difficult to ascertain who he stayed with here in the New Orleans area and who he stayed with, subsequently, in Shreveport after his arrival there. Information has been received from Dick Rolfe, with regard to the gun shop at Chartres and Iberville Streets, that the rear section of the store periodically would be loaded with gun cases -- army-type rifles, etc. -- then suddenly the area would be empty completely. Later it would be totally filled up with gun cases again and then, once again, it would become completely empty. On one occasion when he was in that back area looking at the gun cases the operators saw him and asked him to leave the store. It is to be noted that this is across the street from where Harold deMontfort lives. deMontfort also, it will be recalled, has had cases of guns stacked on the first floor of his apartment building, is from Canada and is involved in some form of Minute Man operation.

28. Marguarite Oswald said to Holland McCombs: "I have information that would help in the Garrison case. I know the reason why Lee Oswald left the Civil Air Patrol".

29. This lead comes from State Representative William Gill. A colored girl who works for the Balthazar family (they have a store on Franklin Street) can give information that Shaw is Bertrand. Our approach should be to say that we have an anonymous lead. The girl works for either the family or the store. She used to work for Clay Shaw and is aware that he also used the name of Bertrand. Do not mention the name of the source of our information.

30. Since our last interview with William Nitschke (he works for the NASA complex) we have accumulated a great many pictures. We should now meet with Nitschke, who knew Banister well and visited him quite often, and see if we get any new identifications from him.

31. Attorney John Mamoulides, 1900 Veterans Highway, handled a deposition in an auto accident. In this deposition Ferrie was asked if he knew Oswald. We are informed that Ferrie's answer to that question in the deposition was yes. This should be followed up and a copy of the deposition obtained. If the deposition is particularly lengthy or particularly expensive, it will suffice to obtain an affidavit from Mr. Mamoulides.

32. William Dalzell has admitted to me that he formed Friends of Democratic Cuba as well as the Free Voice of Latin America. This is an extremely intelligent man who apparently was very much involved with the CIA in the early 1960's, although he will make no such admission. He states that the name Joseph Moore is very familiar to him and such

a person may have been connected with Friends of Democratic Cuba -- but he cannot place the individual. He did state also, however, that one Charles Waters was very active with the organization. The description of Charles Waters at the time describes a youngish man, rather slim with somewhat blond hair. It is entirely possible that Charles Waters used the name Oswald in soliciting bids for trucks at Bolton Ford. It is to be noted that there is a Charles Waters who is now employed in Dallas by H. L. Hunt and who seems to be a right-hand man to Hunt's assistant, Paul Rothermell. One of Charles Water's last comments here in New Orleans was to the effect that "Everything is lined up in Dallas" and that he was going to go to Dallas. We should attempt to obtain a driving license photograph of Charles Waters. This photograph should be shown to the Bolton Ford people and added to our photograph file.

33. In connection with Friends of Democratic Cuba and the activity of the early 1960's, Grady Durham's name keeps coming up. He was, for example, the individual who drew up the papers for the charter of that organization. Anyone going to Washington on any office project should also make arrangements to see Grady Durham and interview him in this regard. We have his address available.

34. David Ferrie had high blood pressure. In spite of this fact, among the medications found at his apartment after his death was Proloid. Proloid is a stimulant for the thyroid gland which causes the blood pressure of the body to increase. It is possible for a person with high blood pressure to commit suicide by taking a large dose of Proloid. The only signs that could be found of this during an autopsy would be -- possibly -- a high iodine content in the blood. This test was not made in the autopsy of David Ferrie. It appears, therefore, that Ferrie committed suicide by taking a large dose of Proloid (ordinarily called thyroid pills). A statement should be obtained from Ferrie's doctor, Richard Bagnetto, to the effect that Ferrie

had high blood pressure and that Proloid would be the last thing in the world that he should be using and that, further, it could be fatal. Also statements concerning the effect of proloid on a person with high blood pressure should be obtained. Furthermore, an attempt should be made to determine the source from which Ferrie obtained the Proloid (it is known that he frequently used the Broadmoor Drugstore). If the source of the Proloid is located, it should be determined how much Proloid was in the bottle (there were seven pills left after his death) and when he bought the Proloid. (It appears to have been obtained without a prescription.)

35. Attorney Wray Gill recalls seeing a heavy-set Cuban come up to visit Ferrie from time to time. Gill describes him as "very rough looking" and "pock-marked". This is essentially the same description which we have encountered from other persons (including Harvey Wade). All of our pictures which might include some such person should be shown to Gill and, if no identification is made, a rough drawing emphasizing the particular features of this man -- especially in terms of variation from one of the pictures -- should be made. We really should be moving ahead faster on getting a precise identification on this heavy-set Latin character who has shown up all over the place from early 1961 all the way through to 1963 at the Carousel Club in Dallas.

36. Jack Lawrence, who parked his car behind the picket fence at Dealy Plaza and who behaved so peculiarly that even the Dallas police were forced to arrest him and hold him temporarily, was in New Orleans just prior to the assassination. Lawrence had previously been in Florida, then came to New Orleans for a while (where he worked for a car dealer on Carondelet Street) and then checked into the YMCA in Dallas on October 6. An effort should be made to locate the place where Lawrence worked in New Orleans until early October, in view of his apparent involvement in the assassination. We should ascertain his residence here and his associates as well.

37. The long-distance calls made by David Ferrie in 1961 should be obtained from Gill. We have obtained those beginning in January, 1962 on through the year 1963, however, there were some months in 1961 when Ferrie appears to have worked for Gill and we do not have those calls. I have contacted Gill several times with regard to this and we have not yet received those calls. These earlier years are really more valuable because of the likelihood that there is less cover protecting significant relationships. Consequently, all calls during that period in 1961 in which Ferrie worked for Gill should be obtained, and those calls which were made by Gill or his staff should be stripped out -- leaving the calls made by Ferrie.

38. The possible role of individuals connected with Kagan's Ambulance Service should be investigated, at least with regard to early relationships of Lee Oswald. Kagan's is located at 1438 St. Mary Street. Lee Oswald lived at 1452 and 1454 St. Mary Street in 1954 and 1955 (this is about four doors away from Kagan's). We have recently learned that a frequent visitor at Kagan's over the years was Clay Shaw. The additional factors concerning this lead are better given verbally.

39. There is a very real possibility that David Ferrie committed suicide by taking a large dose of Proloid. Proloid is what is usually described as Thyroid pills. However, David Ferrie had high pressure. For an individual with high blood pressure to take thyroid pills to any extent is dangerous -- an overdose can be fatal. Proloid is one of a small handful of drugs which can be fatal, leaving no distinctive signs for the Coroner. The taking of an overdose of Proloid by a man with high pressure predictably results in a brain aneurism and leaves no other signs (except, possibly, a high iodine content -- however, there was no iodine examination made by the Coroner in the case of Ferrie). One of the last doctors of David Ferrie was Dr. Richard Bagnetto, who has confirmed for me that Ferrie had high blood pressure and that he should not be using Proloid in any form. On the other hand it will be noted that among the medicine capsules found at his death was a bottle of Proloid (apparently not a prescribed bottle) with seven Proloid tablets left in the bottle. In this connection, it should be kept in mind that the drugstore customarily used by Ferrie is the Broadmoor Pharmacy. It should also be kept in mind that Ferrie has on occasion (see Parry Russo's statement) bragged that he knew of a way to kill himself which would leave no signs.

It should be ascertained where and when Ferrie obtained this bottle of Proloid, apparently without prescription. Statements from competent pathologists should be obtained. After the case for Proloid, with regard to Ferrie's possible suicide, is developed, both factually and with statements of authorities, it should be presented to Dr. Chetta who may then consider re-evaluating his conclusion of natural death.

40. In his final note to Alvin Beauboeuf, Ferrie speaks of "flying Barragona in the Beech." Is Barragona a person or a place? All persons who knew Ferrie or who have Latin connections (such as Jack Martin or Alberto Fowler) should be contacted in this regard.

41. It is noted that in his address book, Oswald has written the name "Bardes". Considering his normal way of misspelling proper names, it is extremely likely that this is the name of Frank Bartes, 1608 Mason Smith Avenue. Bartes was a delegate to the Cuban Revolutionary Council after the departure of Sergio Arcacha Smith. His possible importance is emphasized by the fact that the Federal government translates this word written by Oswald as "Cardes" (which diversionary variation is usually a safe sign that the name is important). Bartes appears to have been visited by Gerald Patrick Hemming, during one of his trips through New Orleans, which suggests that he is also probably known by Howard and Hall. Bartes is also connected in some way with the training area north of the lake. In spite of his obvious knowledge of some aspects of the situation in 1963 in New Orleans, Bartes has been completely silent and has volunteered nothing to us. It appears very likely that Bartes would be in possession of critical information in a number of areas and he should be questioned intensively and extensively.

42. We have received information that the New Orleans Retail Credit Bureau has a record indicating that "Clay Bertrand" in 1962 and in 1963 is listed in its records. For whatever it is worth, this lead suggests that Shaw used the name Bertrand on occasion with regard to making purchases.

43. Not long ago I was advised by a Checker Cab driver (his Cab No. was 1001) that he took Clay Shaw to a house out in the Lake Vista area. I have on several occasions asked him to give me the number of the house, but he has failed to do this. His attitude is basically cooperative and I think if this is followed up, he can ascertain the number of the Lake Vista house from his trip sheets. This inquiry should be followed up in order to help develop the picture of Shaw's relationships.

44. Our background information with regard to Gordon Novel is still incomplete. For example, he once had the franchise for the Miss Mississippi contest. He held this franchise in partnership with a man named Sal Giangrosso (who is with radio station WYMR). Giangrosso should be contacted with regard to information about Novel. Furthermore, Novel was once thrown out of the Jefferson Theater because he was preparing to dynamite it. He also once threw a brick through a pane window, injuring a porter, in conjunction with other "Nazi youths." More background information about these activities should be obtained, especially with regard to the names of other persons who were with him at the time and with regard to individuals putting up bonds for him. One individual who might have information (and who I contacted earlier in this regard) would be Eddie D'Gerolamo, the Mayor of Kenner. Considering that we have placed Novel everywhere from No Name Key in Florida to Dallas in 1963, we really should be clarifying why and how he happens to know everyone involved in the New Orleans aspect of the case -- from Clay Shaw to David Ferrie to Dean Andrews.

45. Information received from a New Orleans informant indicates that Oswald lived, for a short period, with a Cuban doctor at Jackson, Louisiana. All Latin doctors at Jackson during the critical period should be given background checks and interviewed intensively and extensively. In this regard, it should be kept in mind that the one thing that is predictable is that the doctor with whom he lived will say that he never heard of him -- which is one of the reasons a background check should precede any questioning.

46. It is time to re-examine and consolidate information concerning individuals living in the 4900 block of Magazine in 1963 at the same time as Oswald. A number of interesting factors have already arisen, with regard to some of the individuals looked into, and follow-up information is indicated. For example, A. P. Eames (now indicated in the phone book as living at 4915 Magazine) appears to have given a statement to the newspaper prior to the identification of Lee Oswald as the assassin that he believed Oswald was the man who killed the President. Lutgardo Silva, the brother of Mike Silva, was listed in the 1962 Directory as living at 5008 Magazine Street ("Luke", as he is known, appears to have a record in Texas and has never been questioned by our office). R. J. Haydel, who has served time in Louisiana and frequently been in trouble for bad checks, lived in the 5000 block, at least as late as 1962 (with a woman named LaCaze). Haydel had an electrical repair service in 1962 and 1963 and operated an old white panel truck in connection with that business (it should be noted that the arrest on the lake front of a man who appeared to be Oswald involved a white panel truck). A man by the name of Nick Matrana lived next door to Oswald in 1963. This individual bears the same name as the manager of International House, although there appears to be no direct relationship between the two. Furthermore, he admits that he used to operate a restaurant near the old Post Office on Camp Street. Another individual living within a few doors of Oswald in the 4900 block of Magazine is David Gentry, a young man who appears to be gay and who has been questioned by our office. Gentry works at the store at which Dr. Mary Sherman shopped on the last day of her life. The building at 4907 Magazine appears to be owned by someone named Gregory, concerning whom we have inadequate background information at this time. For example, it must be clarified whether or not this Gregory is related in any way to the Paul Gregory whom Oswald knew in Ft. Worth. At all events, regardless of the apparently accidental nature of the choice of this apartment by Oswald, it should be assumed for investigative purposes that the selection of this block was meaningful in some way. Another individual who lived at 4921 Magazine (the same house in which Eames lived) was James Mooney, whose residence there is indicated in the City Directory for 1962 and whose residence may be assumed for 1963. Mooney was arrested, along with Philip Geraci (who is a Warren Commission witness with regard to the incident at Carlos Bringuier's store) in 1962 in Jefferson Parish along with a very large number of homosexuals during the course of a Mardi Gras celebration. Verbal information with regard to this arrest indicated that the bond for the release of all of these arrested individuals was put up by Clay Shaw in cash.

47. Mario Bermudez, who has for some years been running the Cardell Hull Foundation (apparently a CIA front or a conduit for CIA funds), has lived next door to Clay Shaw for a long time. On the several occasions on which Shaw went to Cuba, Bermudez went with him on each occasion. It was Bermudez



who contacted officials in San Francisco and volunteered that Shaw would be available to address them on or about November 22, 1963. Bermudez has been described as an individual who can get things in and out of the country very easily. He has been heard by at least one individual (name will be made available readily) making violent anti-United States statements. More background information is needed concerning Mario Bermudez, his relationships, his political orientation and his origin. It is possible that some of this can be obtained from the local newspapers.

48. The review conducted by us of other holders of library cards during the period in which one was held by Oswald indicated that one "Manuel Garcia" held a library card. We should ascertain the address used by this man and conduct a follow-up inquiry with regard to him.

49. A statement should be obtained from Al Cheramie concerning David Ferrie's activities and his relationship with Latin individuals. Cheramie appears to have had the closest relationship with Ferrie during the several months following his adventures in Cuba. For example, it was Cheramie who helped him out of his car at New Orleans Airport while he was still suffering from injuries which he apparently received in an adventure on the Cuban mainland. It is most unlikely that Cheramie would be without some degree of knowledge about Ferrie's Cuban activities and about his Latin associates at the time.

50. It is important that we make a deeper inquiry concerning Thomas Edward Beckham. Our information is that he has moved to Texas and that Rozwell Thompson may have his address. Beckham was very much involved with Cubans in 1963 and was among those hanging around at Banister's office. Beckham has been identified by Charles Speysel as having been at the party which he attended along with Ferrie and Shaw. Beckham's name is also on a list of persons inferentially connected with the assassination in an anonymous communication which we received from the Dallas area. We have been informed that Beckham was among those handing out Cuban handbills at one time or another. Information also indicates that he was involved in some way with a Cuban mission on Rampart Street.

Our information is that he knew Louis Rabel very well. We should duplicate more photographs of Beckham and dig more deeply into his background, relationships and present associations.

51. The same is true with regard to Louis Rabel, who took over the Cuban Revolutionary Council immediately following the departure of Sergio Arcacha. The laundry truck which was used by Ferrie, Arcacha and Novel to obtain the ammunition from the Houma bunker was apparently one of Rabel's laundry trucks. It should also be noted that at that time Rabel lived in the 5300 block of Burgundy, approximately one block from an individual who appears to be related to Lee Harvey Oswald. Rabel is very difficult to interview because he claims he knows nothing and claims that his memory is very poor. Following his initial interview -- a very short interview lasting only ten or fifteen minutes -- Rabel very nearly had a heart attack and had to be taken to his home. On re-evaluation in the light of information since developed, it appears that we have underestimated Rabel's knowledge of activities in 1962 and 1963 and he should be re-questioned intensively and extensively, not only with regard to Beckham but also with regard to Novel, Oswald, Ferrie, Howard, Hall and the entire affair.

52. With regard to Darryl Garner, he has been reasonably truthful in some areas, however, it is apparent that there are some areas in which we have not been given the full story. For example, he states that he was shot at in Long Beach. Considering the unusual role which the town of Long Beach plays in this case, we need a much more satisfactory explanation from Garner as to why he was in Long Beach and who sent him to Long Beach. Furthermore, he advises that he was shot at again in Louisiana in the Houma area. Inasmuch as Houma is where the ammunition was taken from the bunker (and where, among other things, a man by the name of Haydel lives) we should find out why Garner went to Houma. We should find out, furthermore, why he was in the small town of Delcambre, Louisiana. No one moves from Dallas to Delcambre without some reason.

53. About a month or two prior to the assassination, Layton Martens "got an apartment at 522 Dumaine." According to him he "cannot recall" from whom he got it. This means, of course, that it is very important to learn from whom he obtained this apartment. This inquiry should begin with an examination of the ownership of the apartment house in 1963. Because of the extremely unusual fact that Layton Martens was very close to Ferrie and very close to Shaw at that time, this must be regarded as an extremely important matter. The inquiry should include obtaining a list of all individuals living at 522 Dumaine at that time. (It should be noted that Martens claims that Don Boody introduced him to Shaw. This infers that Boody knew David Ferrie, since it is unlikely that Martens would, himself, have an acquaintanceship with a man from San Francisco with a background in Army Intelligence.)

54. It is further noted that Martens has given us inconsistent statements with regard to the work he was doing in the Fall of 1963. In an interview with Alcock, he stated that in September he was working for "a refrigeration place out of the Parish". According to a separate statement, at the time of the assassination he was working for the New Orleans Blueprint Company. Later he stated that he was working for the "New Orleans Book Manufacturing Company" (not listed in any directory) at the time of the assassination. The indication is that at least one of these places (the second would appear the most likely) is a source of information concerning Martens which he wishes to conceal. Furthermore, there is the likelihood that references were required by him before he could have obtained any of these positions. Like the Dumaine apartment address, this is a worthwhile area of inquiry.

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55. It has been ascertained that Gordon Novel in 1963 was working with Larry Schmidt and that he has been seen in a number of areas in Dallas (including the Holiday Bar and the Carousel Club). Marlana Mancuso should be questioned concerning his visits to Dallas and his reasons for being there. She should be questioned furthermore concerning the names of individuals who might have employed him during his period in Dallas. She should also be questioned as to the reasons for his presence in Las Vegas on November 30, 1963 (on which date he sent her a telegram). In this regard, it is to be noted that Darryl Garner was also in Las Vegas (a rather curious coincidence). Garner claims he saw Novel in jail there and an inquiry should be made in this connection also.

56. Gerald Patrick Hemming identifies the picture of the man being detained in front of the Book Depository as being very much like Mike Marino, Rich Lauchli's gun dealer in Miami. Marino has been tried in Dade County, Florida, on a Federal firearms violation and undoubtedly there is a B. of I. picture in Dade County in regard to him. In spite of the fact that Hemming must be regarded with caution (because of his close connection with Lauchli, Hall, Howard and Seymour) this possibility must be inquired into. A photograph and information of Mike Marino should be obtained from Dade County at the earliest opportunity.

57. It is to be noted that Clay Shaw appears to have literally disappeared for several days at the time of the assassination. He was registered at the St. Francis Hotel from November 22 to November 24. However the officials of the annual Columbia Basin Import Export Conference where he was to speak on November 25 were unable to locate him for several days when they sought to inform him that the conference on the 25th was cancelled because of the assassination. Consequently, Shaw showed up in Portland, Oregon, for the conference on November 25. Consequently, the question of where he was located from November 22 through November 24 must be regarded as an unanswered one.

58. We have received information which is lacking in detail but which is, nevertheless, extremely interesting with regard to its possibilities. At a business establishment in Baton Rouge, quite likely an automobile service of some form, known as "Shel-Boze", there was employed in the last year a young man who seems to have known Lee Oswald as well as David Ferrie. On at least one previous occasion this young man has had to be sent to Jackson for treatment. Our information is that when the information came to the surface about our investigation of David Ferrie, that this young man was very much emotionally affected and had to be taken back to Jackson again. Our source indicates that the management at Shel-Boze would be cooperative about identifying him for us and telling us what they know.

59. Henry J. Winkler, 800 Oaklawn, Metairie, should be interviewed. A man by this name is indicated on the Private Detective Reports for 1961 or early 1962 as having visited David Ferrie at his apartment one night. The name of Henry J. Winkler was obtained from the license plate on the car. The foregoing address may or may not be correct, as it was obtained subsequently by me from a city directory. The relationship of Winkler with Ferrie and with any other individuals in the case should be clarified.

60. We are long overdue about development of background information and present whereabouts of Andrew Blackmon and Melvin Seeling. It should be noted that sometime during his final months David Ferrie claimed that Blackmon was killed. In the light of Ferrie's usual technique, this would indicate that Ferrie did not want Blackmon questioned by the law enforcement officials. Our last information was that Blackmon was alive and was discharged as a deckhand in San Francisco in December of 1966. Seeling is equally interesting because of the apparent fact that he engaged in gorilla work in Cuba. At least one of these individuals was involved in the Houma trip when the ammunition was taken from the bunker.

61. I have a notation indicating that the previously secret file concerning Carlos Camargo has recently been declassified. If this is the case, we should obtain this information from the Archives so that we can see why it was classified until recently and so that we can see also the relevance of this Latin to the case.

62. It is to be noted that Oswald has written in his notebook the name "Pihillipes". A man by the name of Phillips -- a tall, thin Negro -- was an almost constant associate of Ferrie and Brownley. He carried a .38 revolver and drove Ferrie everywhere. He was arrested and held for days until Jack Martin got him paroled. (The charge was vagrancy on Orleans Street). This man has totally disappeared. Martin should be questioned

for more information about Phillips and Brownley should be questioned at great length about him. The arrest records should be obtained. It is entirely possible that this is the individual whose name is recorded in Oswald's notebook. If so, this would establish a direct connection between Oswald and Ferrie.

63. We have not accomplished any effective inquiry into the names listed in David Ferrie's final message which he entitled "Friends to be Notified". There are many names in this list who could be solid sources of information, such as, "Ruth Dufor", "Bruce Nolan" (there is a B. H. Nolan at 1215 Prytania, which is the location of the telephone company where a John Oswald is also listed as an employee) and there is also listed an H. A. Nolan at 540 Elmeer Place, Metairie, where many members of the Oswald family in New Orleans lived. There is also listed "Marvin Descant" at 403 Eleonore Street, a location not far from an earlier address of Layton Martens and not too far from the Magazine Street address of Lee Oswald. At all events, it is utterly necessary that everyone of the names on this list be interviewed and a report prepared for our files summarizing the interviews.

64. In connection with Layton Martens and with the Magazine address where Lee Oswald lived, it is to be noted that two uncles of Layton Martens' live in the 800 block of Lyons Street. This is approximately one block towards Canal Street and a few doors over toward the river from where Lee Oswald was living. This remarkably close propinquity of two uncles of Martens' to the residence of Lee Oswald has yet to be satisfactorily explained, particularly considering that Martens was living with Ferrie at the time he made his trip to Texas on the day of the assassination.

65. More information must be developed with regard to Thomas Beckham. Beckham, a young man who is about 5'6", 150 lbs., with a scar or birthmark on his left cheek, was one of those who continually hung around Guy Banister's office --

and has not been seen since the time of the assassination. His origin is given in police records as Enid, Oklahoma. In 1963 he was frequently dressing as a priest and he operated a mission for Cubans on Rampart Street. The precise address of the mission is not known, however, we are advised that the owner of the building had a tailor shop downstairs right next to it. On one occasion, when our informant sought his telephone number he was able to obtain it from Louis Rabel (the man who took over the Cuban Revolutionary Council after Arcacha left). Beckham got his church papers and his "authorization" from Earl Anglin James of Toronto, Canada, an individual who received a long distance call from David Ferrie according to phone company records. Our informant indicates that Beckham knew Red Kagan, both of them being from the Algiers area. Beckham was involved in a rape case here, involving a very young Mexican girl whom he subsequently married. He was also charged in Jefferson parish with a theft from Halpern's Fabrics. Grady Durham, one of the incorporators of Friends of Democratic Cuba, wanted to promote Beckham as a singer and had a record made by him, however, Beckham proved to be uncontrollable in other ways. George Ray, now with the Harbor Police, knows Beckham well and may have information. Beckham, on at least one occasion, was giving out anti-Castro handbills while being dressed as a priest. An unidentified informant from Dallas listing individuals who were involved, to some degree, in the Dallas happenings lists Thomas Beckham as one of the individuals. In addition, he lists Sergio Arcacha, Fred L. Crisman, Louis Rabel and Martin Grassi. Now with regard to the mark on Beckham's left cheek, it should be remembered that one witness who described seeing Jack Ruby meet Oswald at a restaurant shortly before the assassination referred to the fact that Oswald had "a scar on his left cheek." Beckham had a job for a short period, apparently in 1963, working in Las Vegas (for "a man who owned airplanes"). It is to be noted that another source of information separately has indicated that R. D. Matthews of Dallas, Texas owned airplanes -- apparently a private airline -- which flew from Dallas to Vegas.

66. Louis Davis, who is in the dredging business, may be a good source of information. Thomas Baumler, who works for Davis, for some time has been attempting to be retained by our office as an "investigator". Baumler has been used for some years to "penetrate" liberal elements on college campuses and elsewhere in order to determine where the Communists were. On the occasion when General Walker was preparing to go to Oxford, Mississippi, Davis called individuals in New Orleans to ask them if they would join with General Walker in his march. It has been reported that Davis has made the statement that he "owns General Walker", and it does seem to be a fact that he has a close relationship with him. Davis recently called me to advise me that we were heading in the wrong direction because, in actuality, the Communists were involved in the assassination. At the time of our preliminary hearing with Shaw, Art Kevin -- a newsman from Los Angeles -- visited Davis and Baumler at the latter's office. At that time

Baumler said "We have a society of seventy. We almost got control of it this time." Kevin states that Baumler laughed at further attempts to inquire concerning this statement. Baumler added that each person had to commit a murder to belong to it. Baumler then got mad and his hands shook. He produced a cane and pulled out the upper section revealing a sword. He appeared very upset that proof was requested that he belonged to a "society of seventy" which was able to kill people. Baumler said that Martin had lied and that he was going to be left out. Baumler said that Martin lied specifically to our office concerning the conspirators who hung around Banister's office, and that Lewis also lied. Our information indicates that Tommy Baumler was among those who went in and out of Banister's office for several years in the early Sixties. He, along with a young man named George Higginbotham (he has been in trouble and has an arrest record which should be obtained), appeared to have been undercover agents for Banister on the campus. Davis has advised another separate source of information that he was offered a multimillion dollar contract to invade Cuba (this offer came from elements connected with the American Nazi Party). He stated that George Lincoln Rockwell was killed because he turned out to be a double agent. Davis appears to be a sincere, if somewhat militant, ultra-conservative and may be of some help. When Lincoln Rockwell was arrested in New Orleans, he was bonded out by Hardy Davis (a local bondsman who appears to have had some connection with the David Ferrie group) and the indemnity to Hardy Davis for the bond was made by Louis Davis. (no blood relation between the two).

67. Among the individuals who have completely disappeared from the New Orleans scene since the assassination is Charles White. White hung around William Dalzell's setup at the Baltor Building which was operating for a while under the name "Friends of Democratic Cuba". He is described as a slight, rather small individual with blondish colored hair. It is possible that he is the young man who used the name "Oswald" in the inquiry concerning the ten Ford pickup trucks. One of White's last remembered comments in New Orleans was that the deal came through for him and he was going to go to Dallas. Paul Rothermell, of Dallas, appears to have a Charles White working for him. Rothermell is a sincere conservative, has been quite cooperative and may be a source of information here.



68. Morris Brownlee and John Joerg become more nervous when questioned about the assassination than any other witnesses (with the possible exception of Louis Rabel, who comes close to having a heart attack each time he is questioned). It is noted that Brownlee was the Godson of David Ferrie, and, at least until the 22nd of November, 1963, was extremely close to Ferrie. He would also have to know about Phillips, the negro handyman and bodyguard of David Ferrie who has literally disappeared since the foregoing date-- nevertheless Brownlee has volunteered nothing about him. About a year ago Brownlee and Joerg were arrested in Brownsville, Texas, on their way back from Mexico with several Latin dope addicts in the car with them (Jesus Guajardo and Gomez Cortez -- the latter having been described by Ricardo Davis as one of the individuals whom he once saw with Lee Oswald when Oswald was giving out pamphlets). Joerg now owns the Aurora Brewery at Matamoras, Mexico. Brownlee does not seem to work but generally "drifts" around. Brownlee has solicited the office on several occasions to allow him to do "undercover" work in order to gain information for us about Shaw -- however, it should be added no solid information ever seems forthcoming. Joerg appears to be originally from Dallas, Texas, and lives in fear of something. A reliable source of information indicates that at his house he keeps a loaded gun in each room and a loaded rifle under his bed. A separate source of information states that the house he lives in previously belonged to William Dalzell (although this must be confirmed by a check of the records of the Clerk's office). We have been informed by a reliable source that on the 22nd of November Brownlee's mother called the source and asked him if he knew where Morris was, because he had been missing for several days. I asked Joerg about this, raising the question about Brownlee's possible involvement with the assassination and Joerg replied "He is involved". Joerg's attitude indicated that Brownlee, in time, would tell us about it but that he was not ready to do so yet. Joerg recently went to Detroit in connection with "construction" work and the inference created was that he had labor connections. Subsequently, he went to Littletown, Ohio, in connection with "pipe fitting" work.

69. Reference is made to "Jada", who used to work for Jack Ruby, up to a few days prior to the assassination. Carlo Montalbano can locate Jada and believes she will be cooperative. Needless to say, if Jada were to be cooperative there is much information which she can give us.

70. A local attorney, Max Schaunburg, should be a very good source of information concerning Arcacha and some of the other Latins involved in this matter. Schaunburg has been specializing in the practice of law in connection with Latin American countries for many years. It is to be noted that he appears to have done intelligence work for the Federal government over a period of time and he is a former FBI agent, however he may be cooperative. Similarly, if he proves to be cooperative, Guy Johnson can be a very good source of information. Guy Johnson, who has been very active over the years in connection with Naval Intelligence, would know a great deal about the Guy Banister operations. It appears very likely that it was he who obtained for Guy Banister his connection with Naval Intelligence and the Central Intelligence Agency here. It is to be noted, however, that Ferrie's notes indicate that Guy Johnson received some of Banister's files and to date he has indicated nothing in this regard to us. It is also to be noted that he was the first attorney used by Shaw. Nevertheless, he may be a source of information and a contact should be made with him, keeping in mind his possible orientation.

71. A reliable source of information indicates that one Mike Zehner (or possibly Zenher) had an office in the International Trade Mart in 1963, and that he was somewhat active with regards to the Cuban situation in the early Sixties. The source indicates that Zehner (525-7917) appears to have knowledge of some of the gun smuggling activity which was going on at the time and in which some of the objects of our attention were involved.

72. On searching David Ferrie's apartment, I found a routine letter from a municipal agency addressed to Dr. Rudolph Riera. This is of special interest because Dr. Riera, who operates Riera's Clinic in Algiers, has a record with regard to the sale of dope.. His license to operate has, I believe, been suspended on at least one occasion. It is quite likely that he would know many of the principals involved in this case. Background information should be obtained on him and his connection with Ferrie and the others should be an object of inquiry.

73. Reference is made to the enlarged photographs found at Dave Ferrie's apartment which show the young men of the CAP in some of their military-type field exercises. It is possible that other photographs, showing individuals of special interest to us, may have been destroyed. In this connection it should be kept in mind that these enlargements were probably made by a professional photographic studio. In this case it is quite possible they would have negatives left, including negatives of pictures which Ferrie might have destroyed. A lead to the photographic studio involved might be obtained from a search of Ferrie's possessions or by listing some of the photographic studios which Oswald first named as places where he allegedly sought employment.

74. A way must be found to develop Larry LaBorde into a cooperative witness (Ivon has LaBorde's address here in town). LaBorde was very active with regard to pre-assassination meetings and appeared to have firsthand information concerning gun running and the activities of Ferrie, Shaw, Howard, Hall, et al. He has made the statement, quoted to us by a reliable source, that we "have all the pieces but we are putting them together wrong". If further attempts to develop a relationship with his son are not successful, then we will have to call him in either by DA Notice or subpoena or by Grand Jury subpoena.

75. We received a letter concerning Manuel Garcia Gonzalez from a man named R. Senal, at 253 Commonwealth Avenue, Boston, Massachusetts, 02116. Mr. Senal should be contacted and requested to give us the information which he possesses, as well as the connection of Gonzalez to Ricardo Davis -- as well as the connection of both of them with the assassination. The content of this letter indicates that he possesses some knowledge of the situation. In contacting him he should be given a safe address to which to reply and the letter should be sent in a plain envelope.

76. J. W. Watkins, 9930 Witham Street, Dallas, Texas, 73220, wrote us sometime ago and indicated that he worked as a partner with the man who helped arrest Oswald. He stated that he thought he might have information that might be of help. He added that he worked undercover with Bob Carrol in 1965 and that Carrol told him how things were in the Dallas Police Department. Watkins asked us to send someone to talk to him, indicating that he was presently a guard at the Exchange Park Bank. He could be found at the drive-in windows. He added that he will tell us everything that Carrol told him because he believed in what we were doing but added that he wanted to be approached gently because he liked living. However, almost immediately afterwards we received a letter from him saying that he had changed his mind and that he did not want to be approached. I think the time has come to attempt to establish contact with Watkins so that we can obtain the information which he originally had in mind giving us.

77. Sharon Lee Henderson, 2103 San Sebastian Court, No. 301, Houston, Texas, was on a flight from New Orleans to Houston in April, 1963 (this being the month in which Oswald made his transfer from Dallas to New Orleans). Jack Ruby boarded the plane in New Orleans and sat next to her. They engaged in conversation and he said that he had spent the day before in New Orleans. Ruby got off the plane in Houston. Miss Henderson should be contacted for further information and it appears that she will be cooperative.

78. It is noted that at the time of the assassination Seth Kantor made an entry in his notebook concerning a "lead about a gun from a North Carolina preacher". It should be kept in mind that the "Anglican Orthodox Church of North America" now has its headquarters at P. O. Box 129, Statesville, North Carolina, 28677. The presiding Bishop is the Most Reverend James Parker Dees, 618 Walnut Street (873-7797). It is a militantly right-wing sect to which St. Thomas' church (8705 Apricot, 523-1122) in New Orleans belongs. The local church appears to be more or less under the control of George Soule (of Soule College), who is the local head of the States Rights Party. Prior to Soule the head of the local States Rights Party was Frederick Boughty-Beck, 943 Jackson Avenue. Boughty-Beck is a chiropractor who operates his business on a secretive basis. He is emphatic about his German ancestry. He used to make trips with Robert Major Stewart

who published the West Bank Herald with Buy Banister and who subsequently committed suicide in Georgia. One of Stewart's last trips was from Columbia, in South America, believed to be the place of origin of Mario Burmudez and a place frequently visited by Clay Shaw.

79. Recently Dante Merichini was the subject of an arrest warrant from either North or South Carolina. This was in connection with a bad check which he made in that vicinity and it is probable that he has paid the obligation by now. Dante Merichini lived next door to Clay Shaw, visited David Ferrie and worked at the Reily Coffee Company during the same period as did Lee Oswald (Merichini started working there on almost exactly the same date). In the preceding paragraph, the name and the address of the head of the Anglican Orthodox Church in North Carolina has been given. It is to be noted that the former head of the Old Orthodox Catholic Church of North America, Reverend George A. Hyde (who moved from his Washington address to Elberton, Georgia, for a while is now in South Carolina (as of July 13, 1967). His code area is 503, his phone number is 226-0495, and he lives in the town of Anderson. He knew David Ferrie very well and used to be in close contact with Father Duffy in New York (Duffy operated a strange church in Albuquerque for some years and it is in Albuquerque that Gordon Novel and Lee Oswald are supposed to have been together). Details should be obtained concerning Merichini's visit in the Carolinas, especially with regard to his associations, place of residence and so forth.

80. When Lee Oswald checked into the YMCA in Dallas on October 3, 1963, the other man who checked in on that date and who occupied the room next door was R. Narvaez. When Oswald checked out on the fourth, Narvaez also checked out. Inquiry in Dallas indicates that there is a Narvaez family which has in the last several years changed their name to Pena. It is not clear whether or not there is any relationship of this family to Orest Pena of New Orleans, however one member of the family, when queried has admitted knowing Orest Pena of New Orleans.

81. More information must be developed about Lawrence Meyers, of the Ero Manufacturing Company. Meyers' testimony is in Volume XXV, p. 190-191. He arrived in Dallas at 8:00 P.M. on the evening of November 20, and checked in at the Ramada Inn at Love Field. The next morning he moved to the Cabana Motel (on the President's route to the Trade Mart). He had with him a young lady named Jean Aase (who lived at the time in Room 1405 of the Delaware Towers, 20 E. Delaware, Chicago). On the morning of November 20, Meyer, a friend of Jack Ruby's, was in Kansas City, Missouri, and he called the Chicago number, WH. 4-4970 -- which appears to be Miss Aase's room (1405) in the Delaware Towers at Chicago. This same number was called by David Ferrie on September 24, 1963 (see page 58 of Ferrie's long distance calls). On the morning of the assassination Meyers took his brother, Edward Meyers, up to McKinney, Texas, to show him their plant. They spent twenty-or-thirty minutes going through the plant, then the brothers got back to Love Field about ten minutes before the President's plane came in. Lawrence wanted to go to Ft. Worth, so he dropped Edward and went on toward Ft. Worth. He states that he stopped for lunch at Howard Johnsons' and that this is where he was when he heard of the assassination.

82. One of our Dallas contacts has located an individual who happened to take photographs which included the arrest of the man in the raincoat, the plaid coat and the hat in the vicinity of the Daltex Building. This man appears to be 30 or 35 years old -- and it does not appear likely that he is Larry Florer, the name which has been given as the man who was arrested. Information indicates that one of the men arrested in that vicinity (and it may be either Florer or this individual) was held in the Dallas jail until December 8 -- and that charges of involvement in the assassination of the President against him were not dropped until December 2, after which he was held on "City charges".

83. Sgt. Garry L. Hill (his code number for radio transmission was 550/2) was formally an Amusement writer for the Dallas Times Herald (Volume XXII, page 920). His partner at the time of the assassination was J. M. Valentine. These two officers were the occupants of Car No. 207, which is the car which Earlene Roberts saw in front of her house after Oswald arrived at 1026 N. Beckley. Sgt. Hill was the one who found the cartridges

on the sixth floor of the Book Depository (Volume VII, page 46). Sgt. Hill was in the second squad car to arrive at the Tippit slaying scene (Volume VII, page 54; Volume XXIV, page 234). Sgt. Hill was the one who took Oswald into custody at the Texas Theatre (Volume VII, page 57; Volume XVII, page 442; Volume XXI, page 397; Volume XXIII, page 875, 877).

84. Mrs. Marguerite Oswald has indicated to us, by means of a message, that she was in New Orleans last year and she acquired information concerning a Cuban refugee which should be checked out. She has stated that this information cannot be given over the telephone or by mail. She should be contacted concerning this information.

85. Elaine Rogers (home telephone, TA 3-9151, Dallas, Texas) should be contacted. She was a close friend of Marilyn Moore (also known as Marilyn Miranda), the stripper for Jack Ruby known as "Delilah" who was murdered by her husband in Tulsa, Oklahoma. Marilyn moved to Boston about two months after the assassination. When her testimony before the Warren Commission was published, Eva Grant (Ruby's sister) visited Elaine Rogers in the Spring of 1965. She was accompanied by a former cocktail waitress at Ruby's club. She tried to get Marilyn's address out of Elaine, saying that she wanted to talk to the "little bitch". She spent as long as two hours vilifying Marilyn and telling how upset Jack was with her testimony. Elaine Rogers knows Johnny Miranda, Marilyn's ex-husband, and many others in that circle. She appears ready to cooperate.

86. Information received indicated that Dick White, President of the First National Bank in Grana, and a high official of Freeport Sulphur, and Clay Shaw were flown to Cuba (date unindicated) in a plane piloted by Ferrie. The information indicated that the plane took

off from the Harvey Canal area in Freeport. The purpose of the trip was to set up the import of Cuba's nickel ore to a Canadian front corporation, which would in turn ship to Braithwaite Nickel Plant. The plant was to be built by the U.S. Government at a cost of about twenty million dollars. The report indicated that the combine of Freeport, White and Shaw purchased the plant for one million dollars and intended to get ore through the Canadian corporation which they had formed. Further information indicated that Guy Banister then hired Ferrie and Jack Martin as investigators to check out the nickel plant deal. It is further reported, and here the information becomes rather confusing, that a man named Salisbury (a W. S. Young Construction Lineman) was hired to kill Banister. Salisbury supposedly later successfully fought extradition from Georgia. In some fashion a Will Riggs, who was reported dead off the coast of Florida under mysterious circumstances, was rumored to have been mixed up in this deal. We have interviewed Dick White, and he denies having any knowledge of or connection with the matter. However, inasmuch as in this case everybody denies everything, this lead should be checked out completely.

87. Reference is made to the classified file entitled "Allegations of PFC Eugene Binkin." Our information indicates that the Federal government has classified Binkin's allegations because of his statements that militant of the right-wing would attempt to assassinate President Kennedy. Binkin should be contacted and further information concerning his allegations, his army assignment at Germany at the time he made them, and other details of which he may have knowledge should be obtained. He appears to have had a bachelor's degree in psychology from the University of Chicago. The registrar of the University of Chicago should be written in order to ascertain if there is any knowledge as to his present whereabouts. If there is difficulty in locating his whereabouts from the University of Chicago, possible information can be obtained by writing Richard F. Moltzon, B.F. 9-C, Norwich Road, College Park, Maryland. Mr. Moltzon was in the Army with Binkin, is very cooperative and a letter from him is in our lead file.



88. On October 3, 1963, the day that Lee Oswald returned to Dallas from Mexico, Jack Ruby called the Shreveport residence of Mrs. B. A. Matthews, whose former husband is R. D. Matthews, an Irving, Texas, gambler who was in Cuba in 1959 through 1960 (Volume XXVI, p. 662). Reference is made to the testimony of Nancy Perrin Rich concerning a Cuban gun running plan involving Jack Ruby in September, 1961 (Volume XIV, p. 345). Recent information suggests that Matthews had some sort of private airplane service from Dallas to Las Vegas. It is to be noted that Las Vegas already enters the picture in a number of indirect ways (Breck Wall, Joe Peterson, Louis McWillie, Gordon Novel and Thomas Beckham). Matthews is known to be, even today, a strong underworld power in Dallas. Matthews states that he was in Acapulco on the day of the assassination. More information is needed about Matthews and his role with regard to Cuba, Dallas, Las Vegas and Shreveport.

89. Another individual who may be in the picture is Clarence Rector of Sulphur Springs, Texas. On April 10, 1963, the day of the attack on General Walker, Jack Ruby called Rector (Volume XXII, p. 517, 858). Rector appears to be an acquaintance of Jack Ruby and made a trip to Cuba in 1959. (Note: With regard to smuggling to Cuba, Ruby made the statement that "Longley" out of Bashore smuggled guns to Castro, (Volume V, p. 202). With regards to the possible aspect of smuggling guns or vehicles to Castro Cuba, it should be kept in mind that this is not necessarily inconsistent with individuals who are otherwise oriented in a militantly right-wing direction. This is, for example, an indication that individuals in this case who are strongly right wing were engaged, for economic reasons, in smuggling into Cuba through Mexico.

89. In our interview with Don Dooty, he mentions that he stayed with a friend in Dallas by the name of John Ikard, whom he identified as a boat salesman for a boat manufacturing company. He claimed he could not recall the firm's name, which can be taken as an indication that the name of the firm would be useful to us. In this connection, it is noteworthy

that in his FBI interview, Warren Hall said that during one of his trips through Dallas, he was supposed to be given a boat for the Cuban invasion by someone in Dallas whose name evaded him. It is possible that Hall's contact for the boat was Ikard. If this is the case, it would provide linkage of Hall with a man who has a common friend with Clay Shaw. Also, Ikard could be a source of information concerning Hall. (Note; Dooty mentioned that Ikard was no longer in Dallas, but he did not say where he was. Apparently, we will have some difficulty in locating Ikard but the effort should be made.

90. In Mexicali, Mexico, there is a man named Ernesto Castro, who owns both the Flamingo Nightclub, 762 Venezuela Street, and the Melody Lounge in the same city. A source of information in Mexico City advises that Castro has stated that approximately six months before the assassination, when he happened to be playing the piano at the Melody Lounge, Jack Ruby and other individuals were in there together. He stated that they asked for several requests and that he saw them later. Mexicali is located just below El Centro in California, about 50 miles east of San Diego. It is a fairly large city and has a good size airport.

91. On November 22, 1963, Lt. McMillan was patrolling the north end of the city limits of Ardmore, Oklahoma, when he observed a car with Texas tags. The car was being driven in a very erratic fashion and Lt. McMillan stopped it. The driver produced a license indicating her name as Mary Frances Odom. She was very shaken up and in a state of fright and he asked her what was wrong. She said that something terrible was going to happen in Dallas that day but gave no further details. Later, when Lt. McMillan learned of the assassination (the incident happened prior to 11:00 A.M.) he passed the information on to Chief Houthinas. He also gave the information to the local FBI and to the Dallas detectives. When the name Odom came up in our investigations, Lt. McMillan called the local FBI and asked them if they had the statement which he had given them on file and the reply was that they did not keep statements, that all the information had been passed on. An effort should be made to locate Mary Frances Odom in Dallas and if more information is needed, Lt. McMillan of the Ardmore police department should be contacted.

92. More information should be obtained concerning James R. Wetherbee, Jr. He appears to be the likely connection between George DeMohrenschildt and Clay Shaw. It should be noted that Wetherbee (who is in Shaw's notebook) is connected with the same firm with which Frank Jernigan was connected. Jernigan, (to whose house a long distance call was made by David Ferrie) was murdered last year in Shreveport and his son is presently confined at Jackson, Louisiana, in the mental institution.

93. When Oswald was arrested he had a key to a post office box in his pocket (Volume XXII, p. 178). The writing on the key said "P. O. Department. Do not duplicate. No. 1126". Inasmuch as this post office box does not appear on the list of post office boxes held by Oswald in Dallas and New Orleans, the significance of this particular key should be established.

94. Information has been received that a woman who at the time was a local stringer for Reuters News Agency went to Lewallen's house the night he received his District Attorney subpoena. This reporter was standing on Lewallen's porch and was about to ring the bell when she overheard Lewallen's mother talking to him on the phone and telling him of the calls which he had received. One of them, his mother announced, was a long distance call from "Marina". The implications of Marina knowing James Lewallen should be considered. Follow-up information should be obtained, if possible.

95. The following information has been received from Judge Ossie Brown of Baton Rouge: A young man who lives in Baton Rouge knew both David Ferrie and Lee Oswald. He was

a truckdriver for Holsum Bakery. There was a period in which he complained that a black car was following him on his bread route. He kept complaining and was finally sent to the East Louisiana Hospital at Jackson. Subsequently, he was released. However, when David Ferrie died, he had an extreme reaction and was sent back to Jackson again. For information see "Pops" from New Roads. He will cooperate. He can be found at the Shel-Boze company at Woodale Boulevard in Baton Rouge. This appears to be a home appliance business.

96. Like a great many other people who were closely associated with Oswald or Ferrie, Alfred Claude -- the man who hired Oswald at the Reily Coffee Company -- is now employed by the Federal government. He works at Chrysler Aerospace Division in New Orleans. Oswald made his job application with the Reily Company on May 9, and he went to work on May 10, 1963. References were obviously fictional. Obviously no check was made on the references. Among the questions which arise are the following: Why is the name W. S. Oswald scratched out and replaced? Why is the "Character and financial report" on Oswald apparently drawn up by Oswald? Who replaced Oswald when he quit? (In other words, was there really a position being filled by him or was he a supernumerary?) Who else applied for the job in addition to Oswald? Oswald claimed on the application that he saw an advertisement in the newspaper. Newspapers prior to this period should be examined to see if there are any ads for a job at the Reily Coffee Company. After a sufficient predicate is developed, Mr. Claude should be called in and questioned -- preferably in a situation which requires him to answer the questions under oath.

97. William Cutheert Brady is a man who disappeared from the City immediately after the assassination. Until that time he lived on Dauphine Street. He is known as Will Brady and despite his Anglo-Saxon name he is described as being a Cuban. He was Director of the Pan American Center according to our source of information, Mrs. Dolores Neeley of 522 Madison Street. She is a cooperative witness and should be contacted as further information is developed. Jack Frazier, the former owner of the erstwhile Ryder Club on Rampart Street (where Lee Oswald is known to have visited) also can provide information about Brady. An effort should be made to locate a photograph of Brady and special

attention should be given to developing information about him.

98. Mr. A. R. Will, the proprietor of the Will & Sons Service Station at 4888 Tchoupitoulas, saw an individual at his station who identified himself as Lee Oswald. However, when Mr. Will was shown photographs he picked out the wrong picture. The possibility of this being another individual using Oswald's name should be considered in this lead follow-out.

99. Al Dargis is a bondsman in Jefferson Parish. On one occasion, when David Ferrie and Layton Martens went to this bondsman, several Cubans accompanied them. Ferrie indicated that they were interested in obtaining guns -- any kind of guns. This occurred in 1961 or 1962. Dargis can be located through the Sheriff's Office on the East Bank of Jefferson Parish.

100. Eric Norden has supplied us with the following information: Ronnie Dugger, now with Harpers Magazine, stated that he located an informer who said that in the Stevenson riot Lee Oswald was carrying an extreme anti-Stevenson sign. Inasmuch as the Stevenson riot appears to have been conducted, to a great extent, by Larry Schmidt, this is an extremely important lead. Dugger should be contacted through Norden to see what information is available. Conceivably, photographs might be located.

101. Nestor Marquez-Diaz, a young Cuban lawyer who has been friendly to the office, is described by Ronnie Caire as having taken a trip to Mexico with Sergio Arcacha in 1962. On this trip Arcacha, according to Caire, traveled into Mexico under another name. Mr. Marquez-Diaz should be questioned extensively about this incident and about other possible information which he may have.

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102. Sergio Carbo, whose son was captured in the Bay of Pigs, is reported to have said on November 19, 1963: "Within the next few days there will be developments that will show the UNITED STATES that its policy of peaceful collaboration with Communist Cuba will not succeed"...or words to that effect. Alberto Fowler should be contacted and asked about Carbo. Alberto may be able to advise us as to the particular Cuban group to which Carbo belonged and as to the names of some of Carbo's associates and contacts.

103. Some time ago we received information concerning serious injuries received as a result of beatings by whips. In one instance such injuries occurred in the Biloxi area and in another instance the injury was reported to have occurred in the French Quarter. Follow-up inquiry should be conducted to determine if any of these reports have any relevance to our case.