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Summary:

On 2/13/64, while in a bar at Winnipeg International Airport, source overheard conversation between two unsubs apparently discussing OSWALD. In conversation reference was made to "how much did OSWALD know" and to "ISAACS," apparently an acquaintance of OSWALD's who was "seen near KENNEDY" in a film. Reference also made to papers or merchandise coming in from Nevada, and that while there had been no sales meeting since November, one might be scheduled on 2/18/64 in Kansas City, Missouri. Source while making notes of conversation of unsubs noticed a third individual apparently scrutinizing source's actor. The scrutiny of the third individual who may have signaled the unsubs that their conversation was being overheard, caused source to leave bar and eventually the airport. Descriptions of unsubs and third person set out.

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Details:

On February 27, 1964, MP T-1, whose reliability is unknown, advised that on February 13, 1964, while at the Winnipeg International Airport, Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada, he overheard a conversation between two individuals unknown to him, which conversation seemed to him to pertain to OSWALD.

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MP T-1 advised that on the above date he had occasion to visit the bar situated in the Winnipeg International Airport and sat near a table at which two persons were already seated. These individuals were conversing in normal tones and consequently he paid little attention to them until he heard the name of OSWALD mentioned. MP T-1 stated that one of the individuals, herein referred to as Number One, stated several times, "How much did OSWALD know." How much did she know." It was MP T-1's impression that the two individuals were speculating as to whether there are people other than OSWALD who knew. MP T-1 explained that the background music in the bar and the normal activity within the place made it difficult for him to hear the entire conversation between these two individuals but that he did manage to overhear parts of the ensuing conversation.

MP T-1 stated that after the query was made as to how much OSWALD knew Number One made the statement, "We have a film that I have seen where ISAACS is seen near KENNEDY after the landing." Number Two then remarked something to the effect about ISAACS, ending in a query, "Why should a person with such a good record as ISAACS become mixed up with a psycho." The impression received by MP T-1 was that the two unknown subjects were still referring to ISAACS. Number One then made the statement that HAUCHTMAN or HAUCHTMAN (phonetic) is or was searching for ISAACS and there was mention of a car, a 1958 Dodge, which should be looked after when ISAACS is found. It appeared to MP T-1 that the first of this conversation appeared to be that the car was to be disposed of and if ISAACS was found he apparently could clear the matter up. Number One then stated that even if ISAACS (?) is found Guilty the Bureau will not stop their investigation. At this juncture Number Two mentioned merchandise or papers coming in from Nevada. Number One replied something to the effect that Mercury would be closed as it has been too risky in the past months. MP T-1 explained that from the conversation he could not determine whether Mercury referred to a town of Mercury, Nevada, a business, or possibly an automobile, but that he did receive the impression that when they mentioned closing they were referring to closing a house or shop.

MP T-1 advised that there had been a reference between the two unknown subjects about the fact that there had been no regular sales meeting since November, and he received the impression from listening to the conversation that if everything went well there would be a sales meeting at the Town House at Kellogg and Broadway in Kansas City, Missouri, on March 18, 1964.

MP T-1 also stated that he had the impression that the reservation for this sales meeting was to be in the name of a textile firm. MP T-1 advised that the last portion of the conversation that he overheard was a statement by unknown subject Number One and was something to the effect that his niece had left for California and that there is more money at my or our disposal than at any other time.

MP T-1 explained that the conversation between the unknown subjects lasted about a half an hour and that he definitely formed the opinion by listening to their conversation that ISAACS was linked or was to be linked with the assassination of the President and the two unknown subjects were wondering why he should get mixed up with a psychic like OSWALD.

MP T-1 explained during the above conversation that since unknown subject Number One was sitting with his back to him he did not see his face but that he would be likely to recognize unknown subject Number Two since this individual was facing him. MP T-1 again emphasized that only portions of the conversation was overheard by him and that the notes that he had taken of the conversation were destroyed by him after leaving the airport and, therefore, he was unable to quote exactly the terminology used by the two unknown subjects, but that he did recall that unknown subject Number One was referred to as Mr. ROMANUX (phonetic). Unknown subject Number Two was never referred to by name.

MP T-1 towards the latter part of the conversation between Number One and Number Two noticed another individual in the bar seated across the room from him and who kept looking in his direction with great interest. MP T-1 stated that he was conscious of the fact that this individual, herein referred to as Number Three, was staring at him during the period that he was taking notes of the conversation between the two individuals and had the feeling that this individual may have signaled the two unknown subjects of his interest in them since these men suddenly changed their conversation and began talking about various types of airplanes that could be seen from the window.

At this time Number Two made the statement, "There is the type of plane I fly back home." MP T-1 stated that upon hearing this statement he also looked outside the window and noticed a two motor amphibian airplane. MP T-1 stated that by this time he became very apprehensive because of the scrutiny by Number Three and left the bar and went to a magazine stand in the lobby where he inquired whether there was a Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP) official in the building.

MP T-1 stated that he was informed that there was a RCMP official downstairs and as he turned to proceed downstairs he noticed Number Three across the lobby watching him. MP T-1 stated that at this time he made his way to a bank of phones located in a hall near the magazine stand and made a call to the RCMP Headquarters.

When the connection was made he again noticed Number Three standing near the entrance to the hall from the main lobby whereupon he abruptly terminated the connection. MP T-1 advised that after a short time he ventured back to the vicinity of the magazine stand and did not notice the presence of Number Three and took this opportunity to leave the terminal building.

MP T-1 stated that while driving home from the airport he destroyed his notes because by this time he was quite frightened by the incident. MP T-1 stated that on his way towards home he saw a friend waiting for a bus and gave him a lift to town.

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On the same date MP T-2, a reputable businessman in Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada, advised that he has known MP T-1 for approximately two and a half years and that MP T-1 had disclosed to him the incident that occurred at the Winnipeg International Airport. MP T-2 stated that after being informed by MP T-1 what occurred he checked with the RCMP Headquarters and ascertained that MP T-1 had telephonically contacted them on the afternoon of February 13, 1964. MP T-2 considers MP T-1 as a reliable individual.

On February 28, 1964, KENNETH MC PHERSON, Central Registry, Winnipeg Police Department, advised that his records show that MP T-1 was arrested by the RCMP for break, enter and theft in 1951 and in 1954 for assault for which he was sentenced to \$40.00 in cost or 30 days. MC PHERSON stated his records also indicated that MP T-1 in 1949 was charged with theft and that this charge was stayed. MC PHERSON explained the associate of MP T-1 at the time of the break-in and theft in 1951 is presently serving a twenty year sentence for manslaughter in a penitentiary in Vancouver, British Columbia.

Unknown subject Number One is described as follows:

Name	Mr. ROMANUK
Race	White
Sex	Male
Complexion	Fair
Hair	Reddish, wavy
Teeth	Chicken pox scars, very noticeable
Dress	Wore hearing aid, cord extended from ear to underneath coat
Age	43-48 years
Shoes	Wore light tweed coat
Height	Two tone shoes, light brown or tan
Weight	160 lbs.
Build	Not tall, did not see standing
Talk	Talked fast, pronunciation clear, "chopping" his words. Fluent. Appeared to be well educated, spoke good English but with slight accent as though could have been educated in Europe.

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Unknown subject Number Two is described as follows:

Race	White
Sex	Male
Age	45-50 (about 48)
Height	Did not see him standing, but he is probably of medium height
Weight	About 175, very slightly on the stout side
Hair	Dark
Complexion	Medium
Eyes	Color unknown. Wore heavy rimmed glasses. Has bushy eyebrows
Nationality	Canadian or eastern United States from his appearance and accent

Unknown subject Number Three is described as follows:

Race	White
Sex	Male
Age	35-40 (about 38)
Height	6' to 6'1"
Weight	200 lbs.
Build	Medium, stands straight
Hair	Side view, no bridge, flat bridge
Complexion	Fair but with reddish cheeks
Tattoos	One hand had numbers or initials across the upper and outer part of the fingers
Dress	Wore fuzzy wool overcoat, Erry color
Characteristics	Smoked cigarettes
Talk	Not heard talking