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2/20/75

SAC, J. GORDON SHANKLIN

LEE HARVEY OSWALD, aka
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On 2/20/75 former SA JOHN W. FAIN called and stated that he had just received a telephone call from NICHOLAS HOROCK, who identified himself as being with the Washington office of the New York Times. HOROCK stated that he was checking the archives on this matter and that there was a memorandum that he had seen dated 6/3/60, wherein Mr. HOOVER had stated, "The possibility exists that some impostor might be using the birth certificate of LEE HARVEY OSWALD." HOROCK was asking FAIN if he knew anything about this. FAIN stated he advised HOROCK that he had no comment to make; that he knew nothing about this, and HOROCK indicated that he would probably call Bureau Headquarters.

I called the Bureau and talked to JAMES M. MURPHY in the External Affairs Division and gave him the above information. He stated he knew HOROCK and he appreciated being advised of his possible call.

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February 20, 1975

MEMO, SAC:

Re: NICHOLAS HOROCK
New York Times

At about 9:30 A.M. to-day, February 20, 1975, I received a telephone call here at the Office of Bernard-Fain Carpets, Inc., from an individual who identified himself as Nicholas Horock of the Washington, D.C. Office of the New York Times. I later learned from Myrna, my wife, that he had first called for me at my residence, 4517 Allencrest Lane, Dallas, and, that she had told him that he might reach me here at the Office.

Mr. Horock advised that he had been reviewing the Archives in Washington, D.C. relating to the Kennedy Assassination, and that he had read a memo dated June 3, 1960, pertaining to an investigation of Harvey Oswald, and, that this memo bore a notation by Mr. John Edgar Hoover to this effect: "Is it possible that some imposter might be using the birth certificate of Harvey Oswald?" Mr. Horock indicated that the above memo had to do with an investigation that I had conducted concerning Oswald. Mr. Horock then asked if I might have some independent knowledge along this line.

I advised Mr. Horock that it has been a number of years since I have had any access to FBI files, and that I did not feel that I should make any comment bearing on the Oswald investigation; that any information that I might have had at the time is contained in the FBI records; and, that I would respectfully refer him to the FBI in Washington D.C., or to the FBI Office in Dallas.

Information concerning this call from Mr. Horock was given to Mr. J. Gordon Shanklin, SAC, by telephone beginning at about 9:45 A.M. to-day.

John Wythe Fain
Retired Special Agent, FEB 24 1975

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