

Memorandum

TO : SAC, DALLAS (100-10461)

DATE: 9/28/64

FROM : ASAC KYLE G. CLARK

SUBJECT: LEE HARVEY OSWALD, aka
IS - R - CUBA

James Lehrer

SAC HARRY G. MAYNOR, New Orleans Office, telephonically advised 10:10 AM this date that he had received inquiry from former SA MILTON KACK (since retired). SAC MAYNOR stated that Mr. KACK had related to him that he had been contacted by a reporter for the Dallas Times Herald whom he identified as JIM LAIRD. (This is undoubtedly JIM LEAR). This reporter told KACK that he had been assigned to do a story on what action had been taken concerning various Agents involved in the OSWALD investigation. This reporter also stated that it was his understanding that as a result of his handling of a case, he had been transferred to Springfield.

Former SA KACK advised SAC MAYNOR that he had made no comment to this reporter.

SAC MAYNOR made inquiry of this office if similar inquiries had been received. He was advised that no such inquiry had been received. SAC MAYNOR said that he would notify Inspector J. R. MALLEY of the above.

*Disciplinary Action
Against HSD agents*

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FROM : ASAC KYLE G. CLARK

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Reference is made to my memorandum of 9/28/64 concerning information furnished by SAC HARRY G. MAYNOR, New Orleans, and the newspaper release to be made by the "Dallas Times Herald."

At 8:30 a.m. on 9/29/64, Mr. JIM LEHR, Political Reporter, "Dallas Times Herald," telephonically contacted ASAC CLARK and advised that on instructions of his superiors he had prepared a news release to be printed in either the first or second edition on 9/29/64. He stated this release was concerning his contact with former Special Agent MILTON KAACK and inquiry of Mr. KAACK as to whether his investigation of the OSWALD matter had resulted in administrative action by the Bureau and his transfer to the Springfield Division. He stated Mr. KAACK replied that he had no comment. In addition, Mr. LEHR advised that this story would also contain information that administrative action had been taken in the Dallas Office resulting in the demotion of Supervisor KENNETH C. HOWE to that of a Special Agent.

Mr. LEHR was asked as to the source of his information in this story and he stated that it had been common knowledge for some time in the newspaper field; however, they had not run the story, awaiting release of the Commission's report. He would not furnish any information as to the source of his story.

Mr. LEHR was advised that the Dallas Office would have no comment concerning this story.

At 8:50 a.m., this date, Assistant Director WILLIAM SULLIVAN was advised of the above, and he stated no further action should be taken concerning this story.

ACTION:

For information.

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Action against 762 Agents*

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At 10: 55 a.m., 9/29/64, Inspector WICK of SOG made reference to above newspaper release and stated he wished to reiterate Bureau instructions that absolutely no comment should be made to any member of the press or any individual, close friend, or otherwise concerning Bureau's administrative action in this case.

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FBI Reportedly Disciplined Two

By JIM LEHRER
Staff Writer

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Disciplinary action was quietly taken several months ago against the two FBI agents who were in charge of the Lee Harvey Oswald case in Dallas and New Orleans prior to the assassination, The Times Herald has learned.

Unimpeachable sources said the moves resulted in the demotion of the Dallas agent and the ordered transfer of the man in New Orleans. The agent there refused to take the disciplinary transfer, however, and quit the FBI.

The Dallas man supervised the section known as a "desk" in FBI parlance. Under his jurisdiction came such persons as Oswald, as a former defector to Russia.

The New Orleans man, who now works as an investigator for a private firm, was assigned to the Oswald case while Oswald lived in New Orleans.

The actions against the two agents, both veterans of more than 20 years government service, reportedly occurred sometime in late spring. The FBI, as is its normal practice, has made no announcement concerning them.

J. Gordon Shanklin, special agent in charge of the Dallas FBI office, was out of the city Tuesday. His representative in Dallas said the FBI had no comment on the story.

An FBI official in Washington confirmed the "no comment" when questioned by the Washington Bureau of The Times Herald. The New Orleans man, reached

by The Times Herald in New Orleans Monday, also declined comment. He confirmed only that he had been employed by Southern Research Co. there since May 1, the day he left the FBI.

The Dallas agent, as a supervisor, was on the second level of command in the Dallas FBI office behind the special agent in charge and the assistant special agent in charge.

Special Agent James Hofty, who was the agent directly assigned to the Oswald case in Dallas, worked under his direct supervision.

RETURNED TO DUTIES

Since the demotion, he has returned to duties as a regular agent handling routine out-of-office investigative chores. Another agent was promoted to replace him as supervisor.

The demotion meant a drop in pay of more than \$1,000 a year for the Dallas agent.

On Nov. 22, and for several years before that, he was in charge of internal subversion investigations in the Dallas office.

The New Orleans agent, as a subversion expert, conducted the New Orleans aspects of the Oswald investigation. His part in the case is mentioned on page 437 of the Warren Commission report which was released Sunday.

Sources said the FBI ordered the agent transferred to Springfield, Ill. in April, but that he declined the move. Since he had the required time to be eligible for retirement, he retired from the FBI rather than go to Springfield.

According to the Warren Report, neither agent testified before the commission nor gave descriptions.

(Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

1 "The Dallas Times-Herald" Dallas, Texas

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