

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, DALLAS (89-43)

DATE: 11/22/63

FROM : IC JOE A. PEARCE

SUBJECT: ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY

On above date at 4:40 PM, ILYA A. MAMANTOV, 6911 East Mockingbird Lane, TA 1-2817, employed by Sun Oil Company as a geologist, and as a teacher for SMU, Dallas, Texas, telephonically contacted this office and advised that he has known of LEE H. OSWALD for about 1 1/2 years, and his wife MARINA is residing in care of Mrs. MICHAEL PAYNE, 2515 West Fifth Street, phone Blackburn 3-1628, Irving, Texas. He advised he knows of OSWALD's background and movement in Dallas as well as his CP activities and associates in Dallas. He stated he will be willing to furnish any information in his possession to this office and may be contacted at the above address.

He stated he is acquainted with one TOM SAWYER, former employee of the FBI, now with Sun Oil, and SAWYER may be contacted if reference needed.

Dallas indices reflect MAMANTOV (see DL 67-2-195) on 10/14/59 contacted FBI exhibit at State Fair of Texas and offered his services on a local basis, should any translation matters arise in which he would be of assistance. He stated he had been in the United States for 10 years and proficient in Russian, Latvian and German.

By letter, 10/23/59, Bureau advised MAMANTOV should not be utilized as translator without prior Bureau authority. Bureau indices were searched based on limited information furnished, and it was not possible to locate any identifiable information in Bureau files.

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