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TO: Secretary of State  
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FOR SECRETARY

IN VIEW OF DELAY IN CHECKING CENTRAL FILES MEXICO CITY THIS MORNING WE ASKED ALL US CONSULAR BORDER POSTS TO CHECK MEXICAN IMMIGRATION RECORDS FOR POSSIBLE ENTRY OR EXIT OF LEE HARVEY OSWALD AND HIS KNOWN ALIASES: LEE H. OSWALD, LEE HARVEY, O.H. LEE.

THIS EVENING CONSUL IN NEUVO LAREDO TELEPHONED INFORMATION THAT IMMIGRATION RECORDS IN NEUVO LAREDO SHOW ENTRY INTO MEXICO OF LEE HENRY OSWALD ON SEPTEMBER 26, 1963; AGE 23; OCCUPATION PHOTOGRAPHER; RESIDENCE NEW ORLEANS; DESTINATION MEXICO CITY; TOURIST CARD NUMBER 24085. RECORD DOES NOT SHOW WHETHER HE ENTERED BY AUTOMOBILE. RECORD SAME OFFICE OF IMMIGRATION SHOWS DEPARTURE OF SAME INDIVIDUAL ON OCTOBER 3, 1963 BY AUTOMOBILE.

WE ARE INSTRUCTING CONSUL IN COOPERATION WITH FBI AGENT LAREDO TO OBTAIN COPIES OF ALL IMMIGRATION RECORDS CONCERNING THIS ENTRY AND EXIT. WE ARE OF COURSE CONTINUING EFFORTS TO OBTAIN CONFIRMING INFORMATION AND DUPLICATE COPIES FROM MEXICO CITY IMMIGRATION CENTER HERE. SOME DOCUMENTS SUCH AS TOURIST CARD WITH OSWALD'S SIGNATURE MAY HAVE BEEN SENT HERE. FBI OFFICE IN LAREDO IS BEING REQUESTED BY TELEPHONE TONIGHT TO GIVE CONSUL WHAT HELP HE CAN AND ASSUME RESPONSIBILITY GETTING COPIES TO DALLAS AND WASHINGTON SOONEST.

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THESE ENTRY AND EXIT DATES APPEAR TO FIT WITH INFORMATION THAT DEPARTMENT IS ALREADY AWARE OF. CIRCUMSTANCES ALREADY DEVELOPED HERE POINT TO POSSIBILITY THAT OSWALD MAY HAVE BEEN CASTRO'S AGENT. WE ARE FULLY AWARE HERE OF POSSIBLE IMPLICATIONS OF THIS. MEXICANS ARE ALSO KEENLY AWARE OF THIS POSSIBILITY AND ARE WORKING HARD. WE WILL CONTINUE TO DO OUR BEST TO DEVELOP AND GET TO WASHINGTON ALL AVAILABLE INFORMATION WHILE PREVENTING LEAKS ON MEXICAN SIDE.

AS WE ARE USING CHANNELS FOR REPORTING AND FBI AGENT HERE IS IN FREQUENT TELEPHONE CONTACT WITH DALLAS AND WASHINGTON, WOULD APPRECIATE ASSURANCE THAT DEPARTMENT IS FULLY COORDINATED WITH BOTH INTELLIGENCE AGENCIES. WE ARE NOT (REPEAT NOT) REPORTING IN STATE DEPARTMENT CHANNELS.

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FROM: MEXICO CITY

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TO: Secretary of State

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I AM PROUD OF MY INTELLIGENCE STAFF AND BELIEVE THEY ARE THE BEST. BUT WE ARE CONDUCTING WHAT MAY TURN OUT TO BE A SIGNIFICANT SEGMENT OF THE TOTAL INVESTIGATION OF THE MURDER OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY WITHOUT DETAILED KNOWLEDGE OF ALL THE FACTS AVAILABLE TO WASHINGTON.

I THEREFORE RECOMMEND THAT AN F.B.I. OFFICER THOROUGHLY KNOWLEDGEABLE ABOUT ALL ASPECTS OF THE U.S. END OF THE INVESTIGATION BE SENT HERE TO CONSULT WITH US FOR A FEW DAYS. HIS KNOWLEDGE OF FACTS MAY GIVE US LEADS WE DO NOT NOW HAVE. THE F.B.I. AND C.I.A. REPRESENTATIVES CONCUR.

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FOR AMBASSADOR FROM ALEXIS JOHNSON

Your 1182 discussed with CIA and Justice with strong endorsement  
your recommendation. Justice discussed with Director FBI, who feels  
local FBI rep has been given ~~some~~ <sup>all</sup> information available here  
and offices detailed to Mexico City could not add anything of material  
importance. Hoover suggests that if local FBI rep feels he needs  
additional assistance he make request to Washington through his  
channels.

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By mnj NAHS Date 4/5/78  
FBI Date 7/24/78 CIA Date 7/1/78

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FOR AMBASSADOR FROM ALBERTS JOHNSON

I want you to know that initiative and thoroughness with which you and your colleagues pursuing all aspects of Oswald matter in Mexico deeply appreciated by all here. For your own background, FBI is now considered to be in full charge of investigation and CIA and State have made it clear that we expect FBI to QUOTE call the shots UNQUOTE. All your messages through channels are of course immediately passed to FBI. As indicated in my message yesterday, FBI man Mexico City is supposed to be fully briefed, and this morning I urged that he be authorized keep you fully informed if he is not already doing so. I stressed to Katzenbach, who has full confidence in you, your anxiety and desire to be of maximum possible helpfulness. In State, solely myself for the being handling your and traffic on subject on behalf of Secretary and Dick Helms is doing same in Agency on behalf John McCone.

In event your FBI man has not briefed you, you should know that, with respect to Alvarado's story, it has been verified that Lee Oswald

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was in New Orleans on September 17, and information from landlady confirms that he was in US through September 25. This of course fits in with entry into Mexico on September 26. Thus, it did not appear that sufficient validity had yet been established for Alvarado's story to justify arrests suggested in your channel message yesterday afternoon and, so far as I know up to the present time, FBI shares this view.

Do not hesitate to get in touch with me through this or any other channel/any time you desire, and your reports and recommendations will continue to be welcome.

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See Day Lt. 12/17/74; Case Lt. 4/7/76;  
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