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recall OSWALD. WILLIAMS has made a thorough search of his office in an effort to locate the letter he received from OSWALD and can not find this letter. It is his opinion he destroyed the letter at the time he received it. He thinks this letter was signed LEE OSWALD or LEE H. OSWALD. He can furnish no further information as to LEE HARVEY OSWALD.

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WILLIAMS said OSWALD came in alone and remained in his office for approximately 20 minutes. He said as he recalls, OSWALD impressed him as an odd sort of person who complained that nobody wanted to help him but thought that everyone should help him to make his way in life. OSWALD had mentioned to him that he had a family but gave no further background regarding himself. He said OSWALD also left the impression that he did not want just an ordinary job, but some type of a very good job. WILLIAMS said OSWALD impressed him as having a sharp mind and certainly was sane at the time he spoke to him.

WILLIAMS said that two or three days later OSWALD again came to his office before 9:00 A.M. in the morning and no one was there but him, WILLIAMS, and OSWALD asked him if he had done anything for him. WILLIAMS advised that he believes he told him that he had not done anything for him because he had not promised to do anything for him and that his call to the USES was the best he could do for OSWALD. He said OSWALD left with this and he has not seen him since that time.

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Mrs. ANNA WATSON, secretary, Region #7, AFL-CIO, 226 Carondelet Street, was shown a photograph of LEE HARVEY OSWALD taken by the New Orleans Police Department on August 9, 1963, and she said this individual was familiar to her as the person who had come into the office at one time but she could not remember when he had come in, nor does she recall any conversation with him except to refer him to Mr. E. H. WILLIAMS, the Regional Director of AFL-CIO, Region #7.

On 12/2/63 at New Orleans, Louisiana File # NO 89-69
by SA W. J. DANIELSON, JR. /jm ³¹ Date dictated 12/2/63

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To Jim Garrison

fra Harold Weisberg

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Oswald at Quorum?

Rocco di Nicholas, formerly of New York, who I met at Arnold Ecklund's discussion group in November, told me today that he thinks he met Oswald in 1963, before he went to Mexico.

He says that he was with Tommy Baumler for a poetry reading, that there was only the podium light, and that he saw this man only indistinctly. He says that Tommy also said Oswald was at that reading (there were, he says, perhaps 200 people there). It is his recollection that it was a cold night, which would seem to eliminate the possibility that it was Oswald. He also recalls this man as 5'6", perhaps 5'5".

His name may be di Niccola.

To Jim Garrison from Harold Weisberg 4/1/68

Bill Sultzer

Finding a real radical in New Orleans is not nearly as easy as the police intelligence unit would have it believed. In contacting Sultzer I had two things in mind: learning what, if anything, he observed or learned in his meeting with Oswald and making contact with the pro-Castro people, again if any.

Sultzer is 69, talkative as only Jack Martin, politically oriented, retired, comes from Baltimore, and a subscriber to a wide variety of leftist publications.

To the best of his knowledge, there is no organized pro-Castro group here, and never has been.

He met Oswald at the Ryder, sitting to himself, speaking to no one, but scheduled to speak. He was pointed out to Sultzer as the "leader" of the local FPCC. Sultzer is uncertain who introduced them. He thinks it may have been Howie Cohen. Sultzer says he was presented to Oswald as a "revolutionary". Oswald thereupon gave him a quizzical look, a half smile, and said not a word, not exactly what the script requires of a "revolutionary" whose immediate purpose is the location and involvement of like-minded help.

Sultzer says he did not hear Oswald's speech, probably because he had to leave. Other indications are that he did not because Oswald made none. Sultzer did not sign the guest registry and thinks that although he was at the Ryder often, he never did. This is my recollection from having examined the registry a month ago.

Until 1963 Sultzer lived in the Quarter. His present address is 2333 Magazine, 523-1680. He knows no one in the area of the 4900 block. He will think back over those he knew in his Quarter days to see if any of them might possess interesting knowledge or may have been in a position to observe what might be worth knowing.

In about 1929 he was a member of the Communist Party, and he left it. As a consequence he had security problems in his employment, although the first such case was resolved in his favor.

After the time that MARGUERITE OSWALD and her family moved from the St. Mary Street residences to Exchange Alley, Mrs. EVANS did not have any contact with the OSWALD. About a year and a half later, she ran into a friend of MARGUERITE OSWALD, name unknown, who worked at D. H. Holmes, Canal Street, and inquired as to the whereabouts of MARGUERITE OSWALD. Mrs. EVANS said the friend told her that MARGUERITE OSWALD stayed in New Orleans for about one year after she moved from the St. Mary Street address. The friend informed Mrs. EVANS that during that time LEE HARVEY OSWALD attended Warren Easton High School and Mrs. OSWALD worked as a buyer for Lerner's Department Store on Canal Street, among other stores, names unknown.

Around September, 1962, Mrs. EVANS said she ran into MARGUERITE OSWALD's sister, Mrs. MURRET. Mrs. EVANS again inquired as to the OSWALD family and was informed that LEE HARVEY OSWALD had gone to Russia and had given up his United States citizenship. Outside of this fact, stated Mrs. EVANS, Mrs. MURRET knew nothing of her sister.

Mrs. EVANS advised that around the first week in May, 1963, exact date unrecalled, LEE HARVEY OSWALD, whom she did not recognize at first, came to her door and inquired of her about renting an apartment. He told Mrs. EVANS that he was currently living with his aunt and that he had just obtained a job with the Reily Coffee Company. OSWALD told Mrs. EVANS that he had married a girl while he was in Russia and had one child. OSWALD also informed her that he had been living with his wife in Fort Worth, Texas, for the last eight months and that he was anxious to have his wife and child join him in New Orleans. OSWALD told Mrs. EVANS that a friend, whom he had known in Fort Worth, who spoke Russian was going to bring his wife from Texas to New Orleans. OSWALD told Mrs. EVANS that his family was to join him on that weekend. Mrs. EVANS asked OSWALD if he had surrendered his United States citizenship while he was in Russia, at which OSWALD replied in the negative and said, "I just went to Russia."