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FILE NO. J-CC-2-31,030

TYPE OF CASE Protective Research	STATUS Closed-Miami	TITLE OR CAPTION Person Identified: Name: Lee Harvey Oswald aka Alex Hidell
INVESTIGATION MADE AT Miami, Florida	PERIOD COVERED August 18, 1964	
INVESTIGATION MADE BY SA's Robert J. Jamison and Ernest I. Aragon		

DETAILS

SYNOPSIS

Records of National and Eastern Air Lines, Miami, Florida, were checked under the names of Lee Harvey Oswald and Alex Hidell for travel on September 25, 1963, from New Orleans to Houston and from New Orleans to Dallas. Nothing was found to indicate the subject traveled under the given or similar names on the date in question from and to the respective cities. No record was found of passengers bearing Latin names who terminated their flight in Dallas.

(A) INTRODUCTION:

On August 18, 1964, at 12:10PM, a long distance telephone call was received by SA Jamison, Miami, Florida, from SA Vial, New Orleans, Louisiana, advising that Inspector Thomas J. Kelley, Chief's Office, desired to substantiate certain information regarding Lee Harvey Oswald. According to SA Vial, Lee Harvey Oswald was alleged to have been in New Orleans as of 8:00AM on September 25, 1963, and in Dallas, Texas, from 6:00PM and 9:00PM on September 25, 1963. SA Vial requested that the flight manifests of Eastern Air Lines for September 25, 1963, from New Orleans to Dallas, be checked for flights between 8:00AM and 6:00PM on that date. It was further requested that the flight manifests of National Air Lines for September 25, 1963, from New Orleans to Houston, be checked for flights between 8:00AM and 6:00PM on that date, each under the names of Lee Harvey Oswald or Alex Hidell.

SA Vial further advised that two Spaniards were supposed to have accompanied Oswald on this trip, and it was also requested that copies of passenger manifests and seating arrangements on these flights be secured. SA Vial stated Inspector Kelley desired to be notified of the results immediately.

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(B) GENERAL INVESTIGATION:

Immediately upon receipt of the above telephone call the reporting agent personally interviewed Mr. Edward Cronauer, Director of Passenger and Revenue Accounting, National Air Lines, Miami International Airport, Miami, Florida. In referring to their records of regularly scheduled flights from New Orleans to Houston on September 25, 1963, between the hours of 3:00AM and 6:00PM, Mr. Cronauer stated they had four (4) flights on that date between the times in question, beginning with Flight No. 35, departing New Orleans at 3:45AM; No. 217, departing at 10:55AM; No. 27, departing at 1:45PM; and No. 37, departing at 3:40PM.

Mr. Cronauer stated that their passenger manifests no longer include the names of the passengers. He added they do not make a recordak film of the tickets used in particular flights, but instead keep the actual flight tickets in their archives in care of Mr. Jake Lewis, 58 NE 7th Street, Miami, Florida.

Mr. Cronauer said that the only recordak film made is for the "off-line" tickets (those tickets sold by other carriers which are later used on National Air Lines.) On the possibility the subject may have used an "off-line" ticket, the recordak film was checked for the subject under both names and he was not found of record.

Mr. Cronauer said that the Federal Bureau of Investigation had previously checked their records but he did not know the nature of their inquiry nor the specific date involved.

On the same date, through Mr. Jake Lewis, National Airline Archives, 58 NE 7th Street, Miami, Florida, all the flight tickets used on National Air Lines on September 24, 25, and 26, 1963, were checked for the subject but he was not revealed under either name. Only one passenger with the Latin name of Garcia was of record for September 25, 1963, who traveled from New Orleans to Houston and terminated at Corpus Christi, Texas.

Mr. Lewis stated to his knowledge no other agency had checked their records for September 25, 1963.

Mr. Bert Warner, Assistant Supervisor, Sales Audit Department, Eastern Air Lines, was next interviewed at Miami International Airport, Miami, Florida. Mr. Warner stated that on September 25, 1963, they had only two (2) regularly scheduled flights from New Orleans to Dallas: No. 202, departing at 11:50AM; and No. 206, departing at 2:45PM. Mr. Warner produced the Eastern flight tickets used on both flights and the subject was not revealed under either name, and there was no record of passengers with Latin names using those flights. Mr. Warner stated they do not maintain a recordak film of "off-line" tickets.

(F) DISPOSITION:

On August 19, 1964, the above information was furnished to Inspector Thomas J. Kelley by means of long distance telephone call.

Unless otherwise directed, no further investigation is being conducted at Miami at this time.