

M E M O R A N D U M

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TO: JIM GARRISON, DISTRICT ATTORNEY

FROM: JIM ALCOCK, EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT DISTRICT ATTORNEY

At 11:30 A. M. on March 28, 1967, Fenner Sedgebeer, Louis Ivon, and I interviewed MR. CHARLES VILLAS. MR. VILLAS was the owner and operator of Charlie's Place Restaurant located at 640 Carondelet Street in the summer of 1963. It was at this location during this period that MR. FRED MYERS, referred to in my memorandum dated March 6, 1967, met a deaf mute he had known in Monroe, Louisiana. The mute told MR. MYERS of seeing LEE HARVEY OSWALD in the restaurant on various occasions in the summer of 1963. Additionally, he related by writing on napkins details of an alleged plot he observed OSWALD and others discussing in the restaurant.

MR. VILLAS recalls a deaf mute who was patronizing his place of business about this time, but does not recall his name or where he worked or lived at that time. However, he gave us the following description: brown hair, approximately 5'8" to 5'9" tall, slightly built with a thin hollow face, clean shaven, he always wore a cap or hat, usually came into the restaurant about 5:00 or 5:30 P. M., and was always by himself. MR. VILLAS remembers the man principally because of the fact he always used napkins found at the various tables at the restaurant to communicate with the restaurant personnel and others who might be seated with him.

MR. VILLAS stated to us that though he could not be positive when he first saw OSWALD's pictures after the assassination, he felt that he had seen the man before. This possible sighting would have taken place in his restaurant, but as stated, he could not positively state that he had been in his restaurant.

I have just attempted to contact MR. MYERS by phone, but he was out of the city of Baton Rouge and was not to return until later tomorrow afternoon. Therefore, Thursday I shall call him and attempt to get a description of the mute he is referring to and see whether or not he is the same mute described by MR. VILLAS. Also, I shall attempt to get further details on his meetings with the mute, and the mute's possible location at this time.