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Oswald, Lee H. Post-Russian Period

MEMORANDUM

5 February 1964

TO: Mr. Howard P. Willens

FROM: W. David Slawson
William T. Coleman

SUBJECT: Supplement to Memorandum dated 4 February 1964
from W. David Slawson to Mr. Howard P. Willens

Reference is made to question No. 10, on the memorandum dated 4 February 1964. We would rewrite to read as follows:

Throughout your entire letter the term "Soviet Consulate" seems to be used interchangeably with the term "Soviet Embassy." Likewise with "Cuban Consulate" and "Cuban Embassy. We assume from this that the Soviet Consulate and the Soviet Embassy must be the same in Mexico City, or at least in the same building, and that the same must hold true for the Cuban Embassy and Cuban Consulate. We also assume that the Soviet Military Attache who was approached by Oswald on Tuesday, October 1, has his offices in the same place as the Soviet Embassy and the Soviet Consulate." Will you confirm to us that our assumptions are correct or, if they are not, describe the true situation?

We would add a question No. 13 as follows:

Your report is silent on Oswald's activities in the evenings throughout his stay in Mexico City and on what he did on Sunday, September 29, and Monday, September 30. The FBI has information that he stayed at the "Hotel del Comercio," Calle Sahagun 19, Mexico City, and Maria has testified to the Commission that Oswald told her after returning to the United States that all he did in Mexico besides visiting the embassies was to see a bullfight, visit museums and go sight-seeing generally.

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Anything further that your sources can develop to fill the gaps in our knowledge of Oswald's activities in Mexico would be appreciated. In particular, in view of Oswald's known propensity for inquiring into or at least visiting political organizations on both sides of an issue in which he is interested, we suggest that all pro-Castro and Anti-Castro organizations and similar revolutionary or left-wing groups in the Mexico City area be questioned as to whether any of their members saw or met Oswald at this time (or any other time). We have no evidence that he spoke Spanish; this might aid somewhat in identifying him to these groups and also in narrowing the number of organizations he might have contacted. A Fair Play for Cuba Committee on the University of Mexico campus, for example, if such exists, might have appeared to Oswald as both a group likely to prove interesting and one whose members could speak English.

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