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FIRST LEAD PRECEDE LONDON OSWALD A71

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MOSCOW, SUNDAY, NOV. 24 (AP)-PRAVDA CHARGED TODAY THAT AMERICAN RIGHT-WINGERS ARE TRYING TO USE THE ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY TO STIR UP ANTI-SOVIET AND ANTI-CUBAN HYSTERIA.

THE ORGAN OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY SAID DALLAS POLICE "FOR PROVOCATIVE PURPOSES" WERE TRYING TO PIN IT ON U.S. COMMUNISTS.

PRAVDA WAS SKEPTICAL ABOUT THE ARREST OF LEE HARVEY OSWALD AND SAID "THE MORE DETAILS ARE REPORTED, THE DARKER AND MORE SUSPICIOUS ALL THIS STORY BECOMES."

THE NEWSPAPER WAS ECHOING CHARGES FIRST MADE LAST NIGHT BY RADIO MOSCOW.

IT CONTINUED TO PAINT KENNEDY AS THE VICTIM OF OPPONENTS OF EFFORTS TO IMPROVE EAST-WEST RELATIONS.

"DEFINITE QUARTERS," PRAVDA SAID, "ARE NOW STRIVING TO COVER UP THE TRACES OF THE BLOODY CRIME AND USE THE TRAGIC DEATH OF THE PRESIDENT FOR STIRRING UP ANTI-SOVIET AND ANTI-CUBAN HYSTERIA.

"THE MURDER OF THE U.S. PRESIDENT IS A MONSTROUS CRIME, WHICH HAS SHOCKED ALL THE WORLD, AND THE INDIGNATION OF THE AMERICANS IS PERFECTLY UNDERSTANDABLE. BUT THE VERY METHOD OF THIS TERRORISTIC ACT IS NOT NEW FOR THE UNITED STATES. IT IS REMINISCENT OF OTHER MUCH SMALLER ACTS OF GANGSTERS WHOSE CONNECTIONS OFTEN LEAD TO VERY HIGH-PLACED EXTREME RIGHTWING QUARTERS AND THEIR PATRONS."

PRAVDA WENT ON:

"ALL AMERICA KNOWS THAT THE MOST REACTIONARY, THE WILDEST ELEMENTS-- THE BIRCHISTS, THE FOLLOWERS OF SENATOR GOLDWATER, AND THE NOTORIOUS REBEL GENERAL AND FASCIST WALKER HAVE BUILT THEIR NESTS PRECISELY IN TEXAS."

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PRECEDE LONDON OSWALD-A64

MOSCOW, NOV. 23 (AP)-MOSCOW RADIO CHARGED TONIGHT THAT RIGHTIST ELEMENTS IN AMERICA ARE ATTEMPTING TO CAST THE BLAME FOR PRESIDENT KENNEDY'S ASSASSINATION ON THE COMMUNISTS.

THE RADIO SAID: "SERIOUS OBSERVERS DO NOT BELIEVE THE POLICE VERSION ABOUT THE RESPONSIBILITY OF LEFTIST ELEMENTS FOR THE ASSASSINATION AND WAIT FOR FURTHER RESULTS OF THE INVESTIGATION."

THE RADIO COMMENTARY ON THE ARREST OF LEE HARVEY OSWALD, AN AVOWED MARXIST AND FORMER DEFECTOR TO THE SOVIET UNION, STATED:

"THE HEAD OF THE DALLAS POLICE SAID THAT OSWALD ALLEGEDLY ADMITTED THAT HE WAS A MEMBER OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY, BUT THE MORE DETAILS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS ARE MADE, THE MORE SUSPICIOUS AND DARK THIS CASE APPEARS."

IT SAID THAT OSWALD WAS CHARGED WITH KENNEDY'S SLAYING AFTER 10 HOURS OF INTERROGATION, "BUT THERE WAS NO EVIDENCE WHICH COULD PROVE THIS ACCUSATION."

"THE POLICE ARE TRYING TO INVOLVE THE COMMUNIST PARTY OF THE UNITED STATES IN THE ASSASSINATION OF THE PRESIDENT," IT SAID.

FOR THE FIRST TIME TODAY THE SOVIET NEWS REPORT MENTIONED THAT OSWALD "ALLEGEDLY WAS IN THE SOVIET UNION."

THE YOUNG EX-MARINE DEFECTED TO THE SOVIET UNION IN 1959 BUT RETURNED HOME IN 1962 WITH A RUSSIAN WIFE AND A BABY DAUGHTER.

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MOSCOW RADIO COMMENTATOR VALENTIN ZORIN COUNTERED CHARGES THAT KENNEDY WAS A VICTIM OF A LEFTIST FANATIC BY SAYING: "THOSE WHO KNOW HOW THE SECURITY OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY IS ORGANIZED, KNOW THAT IT IS NOT POSSIBLE FOR A FANATIC TO COMMIT SUCH AN ASSASSINATION."

"A POLITICAL CRIME, THOROUGHLY PREPARED AND PLANNED, HAS TAKEN PLACE," HE CONTINUED.

"IT IS NOT ACCIDENTAL THAT IT TOOK PLACE IN THE SOUTHERN STATES WHICH ARE WELL KNOWN AS A STRONGHOLD OF RACIST AND OTHER FASCIST SCUM. IT IS PRECISELY HERE THAT (ARIZONA SEN. BARRY) GOLDWATER WHO IS ONE OF THE CONTENDERS FOR THE PRESIDENCY GETS HIS SUPPORT."

ZORIN CHARGED THAT THE PRESIDENT'S SLAYING WAS INSPIRED BY FORCES OPPOSED TO KENNEDY'S POLICY OF IMPROVING RELATIONS WITH THE SOVIET UNION.

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