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Cynthia Cooper
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ZAVCTW

To Mexico 11-22 ^{DIR} cite 84802
use all your facilities to follow
& report soviet embassy activity & reaction
during these hours

To Mexico 11-23 ^{DIR} 84821
send staffer w/ all photos of Oswald
to HQ's next available flight

To Mexico 11-23 ^{DIR} 84837
asked for following info on Kostikov
- travels
- whereabouts 11-22 and activities in Mex
- names & legend of contacts
- future contacts
- unusual activities involving KGB
or Soviet Personnel from 11-30 November

To Mexico 11-23 ^{DIR} 84880
Kostikov traveled in Sept
w/ crew Larilovich Geryev (who in close
contact of Cuban consul)

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to Mexico 11-23 OYR 84916

USG

Arrest of Duran could prejudice freedom of action on entire question of [F.B.I. MEX.] responsibility. Arrest should be kept secret, fact of or content should not be leaked especially to leftist circles in Mexico.

to Mexico 11-23 OYR 84917

ref. 84916 Keep legal attaché fully informed

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to Mexico 11-24 OYR 84920

Hdq - Questioned what exactly Oswald's travel plans to Cuba and where he were. Was he leaving immediately or going to return to states of Mex. Sug - Duran should be questioned very carefully on this point.

to Mexico 11-24 OYR 84921

5 license plates # and persons belong to - having to do w/ Duran

gap

to Mexico 11-25 OYR 84926

Request of cable summary of info on Duran. Also request [Litamir Mine] be questioned as to his knowledge on LHO contacts w/ Cuban, a Soviet Embassy.

Mexico 11-25 84950

Obtain and cable reports or statements on Duran + husband

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x0 Mexico 11-27

DR 85178

- 1) Mann's message~~d~~ relayed to addressee decision (on what?) will be cabled to you after they confer, 11-27 probably.
- 2) - Suggested contact made w/ Alvarado's Nic. case officer, whether he had mentioned story to him.
- 3) No action to re-arrest Duran or others w/out approval.

x0 Mexico 11-27

DR 85198

1. Analyze and investigate Alvarado's story further before more action.

2. Note Alvarado's claim still in Nicaraguan service although belief they was dropped 8-63.

3. Rusk and Hoover might have recommendations on this problem after further consideration.

The explanation for gaps is that all cables sent by the director were in the same number series.

x0 Mexico 11-27

DR 85245

1. Justice Dept. will be preparing a report on assassinations and will want info. on Oswald's activities in Mex. [Cannot compromise Lienroy but] Duran statements essentially the same so pls. send translated versions of her statements.

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to Mexico 11-27 DIR 85258

2. [redacted] FBI says -

Oswald applied for unemployment 9-1
He is checking airlines.
Left N.O. 9-25 for TX w/out paying
rent.

3. Above further reason not to believe
Alvarado

to Mexico 11-27 DIR 85318 re: Meris 710,

1. These instructions coordinated w/
STATE [redacted] and [redacted] FBI

2. Mexican authorities should interview
Duran to extent necessary to clarify
outstanding points which have been
raised by your cables last 48 hrs.
you may provide questions but there
will be no contact between Duran
& Americans.

to Mexico 11-27 DIR 85371

Rearrest of Duran should not
be associated w/ Americans - Mexican
"We want Mexican Authorities to take
responsibility for whole affair."

to Mexico 11-27 DIR 85391 FBI

Info from [redacted] re: licence
plates reference of
belonging to J Morgan Daniels
J Mermino Quaster Martins.

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to Mexico 11-27 DFR 5469 Mexi re: 7104

2. Have discussed 7104 with Alexis Johnson. Wants Mann to know that requested ~~into~~ instructions will probably not be forthcoming prior 11-28.

STAFF [Odaci] Kubark attempting to follow wishes
3. There is a feeling in 3 agencies Mann is pushing cube too hard re: para 5-7104. Will cause flap with Cubans. Johnson sent [Odaci] channels to Mann to give better perspective.

to Mexico 11-27 DFR 5616

In the face of mounting evidence it appears that Alvarado's story is a fabrication. Urge you follow up with his Nic case officer.

Coincidence that Dorticos and Alvarado talk of money paid to Oswald not remarkable.

Interrogators of Alvarado must:

- 1. probe deeply into makeup
- 2. be sympathetic
- 3. promise "face saving secrecy" and specious hopes of future cooperation

to Mexi 11-28 DFR 5505-3

- Proved Oswald was in NO 9-19 with this info clear that Alvarado is a fabricator and psychiatric help could be suggested.

to Mexico 11-28

DIR 85654

Story of bank deposit by Oswald of \$600 could be misleading and give support to Alvarado. But story is uncorroborated. Pls. do not assume this office is in possession of info known to [redacted] or Dallas. [redacted] has requested full info on this story from US Official.

FBI

to Mexico 11-28

DIR 85655

re: 85469

Do not discontinue or let down your investigation - We have not excluded the possibility of involvement by as yet unknown persons.

to Mexico 11-28

DIR 85661

Do not turn Alvarado over to Mexicans. [redacted] has been asked for opinion on this matter.

Advise if [redacted] in Mexi attempts to get you to act on turning Alvarado over to Mexicans.

to Mexico 11-28

DIR 85663

[redacted] requests Kulsark turn Alvarado over to Mexican police. Mexicans will be requested to administer polygraph.

to Mexico 11-28

DIR 85667 re: 7120

no fluent Spanish speaking flatter man available.

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DIR 11110726
85669

xo Mexico 11-29
[Cortezoid 3] should go to Mexico - can be used as consultant to Mexicans

xo Mexico 11-29 DIR 85672
Request for continual updates on Duran & Alvarado interviews.

xo Mexico 11-29 DIR 85712
Time is of essence in reporting what Mexicans are learning from Alvarado & Duran. Up to know we have been forwarding messages to [redacted] ^{FBI} Pk give info ^{Pharmaceutical} to [redacted] ^{FBI} Mexico City and they will cable [redacted] ^{FBI} Wags.

xo Mexico 11-30 DIR 86064
Heard Alvarado confessed he lied Cable details of interrogations. "what threats, promises, inducements and tactics used by [Attemp]" "Was Alvarado physically mistreated?" "Must Did Alvarado hear false story of bank deposit? Urge Nic. not to do away w/ him. Question of Oswald acting solely on own still unanswered

xo Mexico 12-3 DIR 86563

Alvarado will be polygraphed due to retraction of confession. ^{nr: 7203}

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we do not want him returned to Nicaragua till he is flattered. Arrange w/ [de tempos] to release Alvarado to us for few days.

2. Pablo Davis of [Kusood] will arrive 12-4 Do not blow him and prefer Mexicans not be aware of plans to flatter Alvarado. Davis will be in charge of flatter.

C. Back Anderson will act as interpreter so he can testify at later hearings.

Alvarado should not be in fear of bodily harm and should be fed and rested. The question of him returning to Nicaragua should be open, this gives flatter man "maximum maneuvering room".

x0 Mexico DIR 86621 12-4

Plan and progress for Alvarado flatter good. Use hotel, idea of 2 spanish speaking interrogators good.

x0 Mexico DIR 86659 12-4

Arrival plans for Davis

x0 Mexico 12-5 DIR 86976

Did Davis get through customs alright

x0 Mexico 12-7 DIR 87666

Alvarado will be returned to the Nicaragua - stay is a hoop avoid anything which would induce

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and to this end

Alvarado to resume fabrication
We request Mexican + Nicaraguan
authorities take no punitive actions.

to Mexico ^{FBI} 12-12 DIR 88642

[redacted] wishes to wind up
analysis of cast and needs the
results of interrogation of Duran
& Husband during second arrest
we conjecture she may not have
be interrogated.

to Mexico 12-12 DIR 88680

Do not erase the Cuban +
Soviet tapes made between 11-22 and
present.

to Mexico 12-16 DIR 89366

In para 2 Duran states
Aparicio has a telephone -141299.
Who is Aparicio and is that
his number?
As [have monitors] identify voices
of various Soviets to whom Oswald
or Duran dealt w/ on the telephone

to Mexico 12-20 DIR 90466

Present plan in passing info to
W.C. is to [eliminate mention of]
[redacted] in order to protect your continuing
ops. But will rely on Duran statements
and Soviet files on Oswald.

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to Director

11-23

~~67198~~ Maxi 7025

Maxi suggest to [Litemp'd 2] that Duran be arrested immediately and held incommunicado.

to Director

11-23

~~67236~~ Maxi 7037

- Arrest of Duran (notifications)

to Director

11-24

~~67252~~ Maxi 7039

in 1-63 Duran seen in 2 cars w/ Texas Plates.

to Director

11-24

~~67261~~ Maxi 7040

1. Oswald entered Nuevo Laredo on 9-26
2. Left by auto 10-3-63

to Director

11-24

~~67262~~ Maxi 7042

Mann was very pleased re: 84917 about arrest of Duran but hopes Washington can decide leaks

to Director

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~~67278~~ Maxi 7046

Casperina told COS Duran completely cooperative.

to Director

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~~67378~~ Maxi 7054

re: content of Duran interview nothing new

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x0 Director 11-26 ~~68297~~ Mexi 7067
Station officer & security officer
are interviewing Alvarado. Request
traces on Alvarado.

x0 Director 11-26 ~~68376~~ Mexi 7069
cable gives account of Alvarado's
story. Station officer and embassy
security officer morning 11-26.

x0 Director 11-26 ~~68400~~ Mexi 7072
from Mann
for McCone, Rusk & Hoover
Mann with compliance from
Schoo and Anderson suggests
confronting Duran w/ Alvarado.
3. "If she did break under
interrogation and we suggest medications
should be asked to go all out in
seeing that she does"

x0 Director 11-27 ~~68496~~ Mexi 7084
1. Mann has asked State
that [redacted] office be sent for
briefing on U.S. angle of case.
FBI

x0 Director 11-27 ~~68542~~ Mexi 7092
Mann feels not fully briefed
on Oswald Rubinstein case.
Chief [redacted] in Mexi feels this
might be interpreted as a lack of
confidence in him
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COI feels chief [redacted] one of best
and most cooperative and
Mann has expressed satisfaction
with Chief [redacted] many times.

But [redacted] ^{FBI} ~~should~~ send officer
to satisfy Mann unless Johnson
can convince Mann that he is
receiving all information.

Director 11-27 ~~6530~~ Max 1093
Alvarado's story being checked
thoroughly, be reinterviewed in
greater detail, has been moved to
safe address. Close surveillance
put on Duran as of 11-26 by
Cheverria. Alvarado being moved to ^{10th}
safe house 4

Director 11-27 ~~69127~~ Max 11-27
Alvarado reinterviewed 11-26.
Identified photos of Cuban consulate
personnel not by name but by
height, duties, skin coloring, disposition
etc. identified Luis Calderon as pretty girl
reenacted passing of money
spoke of background.

Oscar and
Concepcion
Hernandez
as for Cuban
to

~~Alvarado being moved to safe address~~
given 600 pesos to move to Hotel ~~1097~~
Director 11-27 ~~Max 69~~ between 7101
69131-69147

Duran has been rearrested because
trying to leave Mexico for Cuba.

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11/10/32

Mexi
7104

to Director 11-27
from Mann to Rusk

~~69225~~

1. In taped telephone ~~conv~~ conversation Armas & Porticos, Porticos again expressed concern that the Mexican police had questioned Duran about money.
2. Alvarado questioned again. Wealth of detail makes story striking.

B. Chevarria later denied to legal attache that he had any concrete evidence that Duran was about to go to Cuba. Contradictory statements made are explained (by desire of government of Mexi to play down importance of Oswald visit) where Chevarria stated Porticos only wanted to know if Mexicans tried to pay Duran for story. Suggest Mexi authorities advise Azucena Luisa Calderon and Alfredo Mirabel.

Stress importance of promptness in giving instructions

Director 11-27

~~69370~~

7107

Seems that Alvarado's story only proves he's been in Cuban embassy. Asks for (Nic [Gerez]) to be present to put Nicaraguan weight with no questions.

Director 11-28

~~69620~~ 7113

Request authorization to turn Alvarado over to [Litemos] w/ brief explanation. w/ approval

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Explanation includes that he plans to travel to Cuba w/ false ~~SECRET~~ Mexican papers "Latter point alone gives Mexicans good reason to subject him to detailed interrogation" of turnover station would plan no further contact with Alvarado.

Director 11-28 ~~69636~~ ^{Maxi} 7119

Durans reaction at Cuban embassy after interrogation said had been threatened with extradition to US to face Oswald but was unafraid.

Neither [L-7] or [L-9] had any knowledge of Oswald being in the Cuban Embassy at any time.

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