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ENCLOSURES

Enclosed herewith to the Bureau are twelve (12) copies of a summary letterhead memorandum, including Table of Contents and Index, dated and captioned as above.

REFERENCES

Bureau cable No. 59, dated 4/22/64; Mexico City cable No. 416, dated 2/28/64.

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The enclosed summary letterhead memorandum constitutes joint reporting efforts of SAs FREDERICK E. RODERICK, HENRY J. PRATT and ROLF L. LARSON. Investigation in connection therewith was conducted by Special Agents of the Mexico City Office as reflected in connection with the "SOURCES" Section hereof.

> Description of Contents of Letterhead Memorandum

The enclosed summary letterhead memorandum was prepared in an effort to compile and summarize investigation conducted in Mexico with respect to the travel and activities

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in Mexico of LEE HARVEY OSWALD and a large number of allegations which developed in this country in connection with OSWALD and the assassination of President JOHN F. While an effort has been made to document as fully KENNEDY. as possible the sources of information relating to the report, in several instances this office received information from the Bureau or a domestic field office by telephone or cable, with respect to which it was not possible to establish full and complete documentation as to sources of that information; however, in order to make the summary complete, more readable and more congruous. some items of information were utilized in the summary without the usual documentation thereof. In those instances, the information, as summarized, was attributed to the Mexico City Legal Attache's files.

All the information of substance appearing in the enclosed letterhead memorandum has been reported previously to the Bureau in form suitable for dissemination.

A great deal of information appears in the Legal Attache's files which was received from the Mexico City Station of CIA with the admonition that it "not be disseminated" outside the Bureau, and this information has not been included in the summary letterhead memorandum. Much of the above data related to the results of CIA technical coverage of the Soviet and Cuban diplomatic establishments in Mexico City and has been reported to the Bureau by this office. There also is reason to believe that this information has been disseminated to the Bureau by the Central Headquarters of CIA and to the President's Investigating Commission by that agency; therefore, that information and data are not being incorporated in the Administrative Section of this cover letter.

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Investigation by Bureau Agents

As the Bureau is aware, early phases of the investigation in Mexico of the travel and activities of OSWALD were handled by various agencies of the Mexican Government and also by symbol informants of this office. Since Mexican Government investigators were contacting numerous sources of Released under the John F. Kennedy Assassination Records Collection Act of 1992 (44 USC 2107 Note). DATE: 11-14-2017

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It was observed in several instances that Agents were able to gain the confidence of persons whom they had to interview on more than one occasion, as required by new developments and additional basis for inquiry, and when new and pertinent data not furnished at previous interviews was obtained and inquiry was made as to why such information had not been provided earlier, the characteristic reply was, "You didn't ask me."

While the following is well known to the Bureau, it is considered worthy of mention that the investigation reported in the enclosure is based on interviews conducted in the Spanish language, informant reports written in Spanish, documents and signed statements in Spanish and in accordance with a different legal system and basic culture, and documents, records, files and basic business procedures which differ from those in the United States.

Because of the effective liaison of this office with the Mexican Ministry of Gobernacion, it was possible to borrow originals and copies of key documents in the files of that Ministry, although on the supervisory level from where the documents were obtained, there was considerable resistance to the numerous requests of this office which required voluminous file searches for documents and to allowing them to physically leave the premises of the Ministry in the possession of Bureau liaison personnel for copying and study.

It is desired to assure the Bureau that all investigations conducted by Bureau Agents in Mexico have been handled with discretion and care; however, it is quite certain that investigative activity of this type by Bureau Agents over an extended period of time inevitably would cause serious embarrassment to this office and endanger the security of the Bureau's operations in Mexico; therefore, in view of the fact that the investigation which is outstanding in Mexico in connection with this case consists of efforts to identify,

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locate and interview passengers of the buses on which OSWALD traveled and guests at the hotel where he stayed, every effort will be made to resume the established policy of handling operational investigations through liaison and established informants in so far as possible in keeping with the Bureau's requirements and instructions in each instance.

SOURCES

Bureau Agents and officials of the Mexican Government have been referred to in the enclosure by T-symbol and as "confidential sources abroad," and in order to obviate the need for an evaluation memorandum in connection therewith, symbol informants of the Mexico City Office and sources whose identities required concealment have been described as "T-(symbol), confidential sources, who have furnished reliable information in the past."

The identities of those sources are as follows:

Source

Identity

First Confidential Source Abroad

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Lic. RAFAEL HERNANDEZ OCHOA, Assistant Director of Central Immigration Section of Ministry of Gobernacion (Interior), Mexico, D. F., Mexico (concealed because initial information furnished unofficially and on a confidential basis).

SA ROLAND E. TRENT

SA MATTHEW D. CRAWFORD, JR.

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Source	Identity about
T-4	(MEX-170,) who furnished infor- mation to SA ROLAND E. TRENT
T-5	[MEX-225] who furnished infor- mation to SA ROLAND E, TRENT
T-6	Lic. SANTIAGO IBANEZ LLAMAS, Chief, Inspection Department, Ministry of Gobernacion (Interior), Mexico, D. F., Mexico (concealed because information furnished on a confidential basis).
T-7	SA ROBERT T. NISCHWITZ
T8 T9	SA EDWIN O. JOHNSON (MEX-27,) who furnished information to SAS JOSEPH S. LEO and ROBERT T. NISCHWITZ
T-10	SA ELDON D. RUDD
T-11	SA FREDERICK E. RODERICK
T-12	SAS HENRY J. PRATT and FREDERICK E. RODERICK
T-13	SA ROLF L. LARSON
T-14	(MEX-156,) who furnished information to SA ELDON D. RUDD
T-15	MEX-34, who furnished information to SA HENRY C. JOHNSON

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Source	Identity (S)(us)
T-16	PABLO GARCIA ROMERO, confidential contact at Cubana Airlines Office, Mexico, D. F. who furnished information to SA MATTHEW D. CRAWFORD, JR.
T-17	CLARK D. ANDERSON, Legal Attache, Mexico City
T-18	SA JOSEPH S. LEO
T-1 9	SAS ROLAND E. TRENT and HENRY J. PRATT
T-2 0	SA JOSEPH B. GARCIA
T-21	SA HENRY J. PRATT
T-22	MEX-18 and MEX-19, who furnished Information to SA NATHAN L. FERRIS
T-23	(MEX-42) and (MEX-196,) who furnished information to SA ELDON D. RUDD
T-24	MEX-25 and MEX-55, who furnished information to SA ELDON D. RUDD
T-25	MEX-46, who furnished information to SA NATHAN L. FERRIS
T-26	MEX-38, who furnished information to SA EDWIN O. JOHNSON
T-27	SAs JOSEPH B. GARCIA and EDWIN O. JOHNSON
T-28	SAS JOSEPH B. GARCIA and HENRY J. PRATT

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