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Enclosed herewith is a memorandum dated and captioned as above which may be of interest to you.

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HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS OF LEE HARVEY OSWALD IN MEXICO CITY

On November 26, 1963, a confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that, following a check of the registration records of numerous middle and lower class hotels in the downtown area of Mexico City (also known as Nexico, D. F., the "D. F." referring to "Distrito Federal" - Federal District), he had ascertained that on September 27, 1963, LEE HARVEY OSWALD had registered at the Hotel del Comercio, located at Calle (Street) Bernardino de Sahagun No. 19 and approximately eight blocks from the commercial heart of the Mexican capital. The records disclosed that OSVALD was registered as the occupant of rom No. 18 until October 1, 1963, and was deleted from the notel guest list on October 2, 1963.

According to source, there were only three employees at the hotel, and some of them were able to recognize OSWALD's photograph as having been a guest at that establishment but could recall virtually no information concerning the circumstances relating thereto.

OSWALD'S REGISTRATION AT HOTEL

Photocopies of the registration records of the Hotel del Comercio, Calle Bernardino de Sahagun No. 19, Mexico, D. F., as made available by Lic. RAFAED HERNANDEZ OCHA, Assistant Chief of the Mexican Department of Immigration, reflect that on September 27, 1963, OSWALD registered at that hotel as "LEE, HARVEY OSWALD, USA, Texas, PHOTO, US citizen" and was assigned room No. 18.

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. The owner and manager of the botel, GUILLERIO . GRCIA LUMA, explained on March 3, 1964, that upon arrival a guest is required to register in his own handwriting; however, as long as he remains at the hotel thereafter, the name is transferred to the registration list for subsequent days by the manager or his assistant.

EXAMINATION OF HANDWRITING ON HOTEL REGISTER BY FBI LABORATORY

described page of the Hotel del Comercio registration book was submitted to the FBI Laboratory for examination of the "LEE_ HATVEY OSWALD" signature appearing thereon.

In a laboratory report dated December 18, 1963, the FBI Laboratory stated that examination of "Cc333, photocopy of page of registry book of Hotel del Comercio, Calle Sahagun 17, Mexico City, with signatures of guests registering on September 2", 1953, Line 18, bearing signature "Lee Harvey Oswald" had been made with the following result:

"It was concluded that the LEE HARVEY OSVALD signature on Line 10 of 2003 was written by LEE HARVEY OSVALD, whose known writing appears on K4 and K5 in this case."

The information recorded hereinunder was furnished by a confidential source abroad:

IDENTITIES OF PERSONS AT HOTEL DURING SAME PERIOD AS OSVALD

A review of copies of the pages of the Hotel del Comercio registration book for individuals who registered or remained at the hotel from September 26, 1963, through the night of October 1-2, 1963, revealed the following with respect to their names, city and state of origin, room or rooms occupied, and date or dates of occupancy.

Recruse of the fact that some of the names were abbreviated and others not decipherable, Hotel del Comercio owner, GUILLERNO GARCIA LUNA, assisted in clarifying those names.



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Name and Residence	Room No.	Dates of Occupancy
ISABEL SALAZAR y comp. Durango, Durango	1	September 26 and 27, 1963
J. ASENCION HERRERA Durango, Durango	3	September 26 and 27, 1963
POLO DUENAS Aguascalientes, Ags.	3	September 26 and 27, 1963
ANTONIO OLIVA y Sra. Nexico, D. F., Mex. (Nusician)	4	September 26, 27, 28, 29 and 30, and - October 1, 1963
POLO DUENAS Aguascalientes, Ags.	5	September 26, 1963
FERNANDO VALENZUELA Chihuahua, Chihuahua	6	September 26 through October 1, 1963
ANGELICA PEREYRA Torreon, Coahuila (Housewife)	7	September 26 through October 1, 1963
ERNESTO LIMA JUAREZ Roynosa, Tamaulipas	8	September 26, 1963
MARTIN GUERRERO San Louis Potosi, S.L.P.	9	September 26 through October 1, 1963
JOSE LUIS MACIAS Chihuahua, Chihuahua	10	September 26 through October 1, 1963
PEDRO QUIJANO Torreon, Coahuila	11	September 26 through October 1, 1963
MANUEL SANTOS Saltillo, Coahuila (Farmer)	12	September 26, 27, 28 and 30, and October 1, 1963
URBANO TORRES Guanajuato, Guanajuato	13, 22	September 26 and October 1, 1963





Name and Rosidence	Room No.	Dates of Occupancy
GABRIEL CONTRERAS Cludad Juarez, Chihuahua	14	September 26 through October 1, 1963
JULIO LINAN San Louis Potosi, S.L.P.	15	September 26 through October 1, 1963
POLO DUENAS Aguascalientes, Ags.	16	September 26, 1963
RODOLFO RODRIGUEZ Chihuahua, Chihuahua	17, 16, and 17	September 26 through October 1, 1963
POLO DUENAS Aguascaliontos, Ags.	18	September 26, 1963
PEREZ PLIEGO San Luis Potosi, S.L.P.	19	September 26, 27 and 28, 1963
SANTOS PEDROZA Leon, Guanajuato	20	September 26 through October 1, 1963
MARIO RESENDIZ Saltillo, Conhuila (Businessman)	21	September 26 through October 1, 1963
POLO DUENAS Aguascalientos, Ags.	22 ·	September 26, 1963
ENRIQUE GARZAT Monterrey, Nuevo Leon	23	September 26, 1963
OSCAR LOZA	25	September 26, 1963
POLO DUENAS	26	September 26, 1963
ARTURO CHAVEZ Ciudad del Haiz, S.L.P.	27	September 26, 1963
POLO DUENAS	28	September 26, 1963

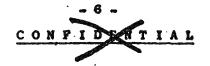


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Name and Rosidence	Room No.	Dates of Occupancy
MANUEL SERRALDE Lionterrey, Nuevo Leon	29	September 26 through. October 1, 1963
LEOPOLDO DIAZ Guadalupe, Guanajuato	30	September 26, 1963
MARTIN SUMAYA Nuevo Laredo, Tamaulipas	5	September 27, 1963
FRANCISCO MORALES Reynosa, Tamaulipas	8 .	September 27 through October 1, 1963
RAFAEL ROCHA Torreon, Coahuila	13	September 27, 1963
LEE, HARVEY OSWALD (Photo.)	18	September 27 through October 1, 1963
ROBERTO LOPEZ Mexico, D. F., Mexico	22	September 27, 1963
JUAN FCO. ROCHA Durango, Durango	24	September 27, 1963
OSCAR SANCHEZ DE LA ROSA Monterrey, Muevo Leon	25	September 27 through 30, 1963
ALFREDO GARCIA . Guadalajara, Jalisco	. 26	September 27 through 29, 1963
JOSE GAMES Aguascalientes, Ags. (Chauffeur)	23, 30 and 24	September 27 and 30 and October 1, 1963
ALICIA PLAZA Aguascalientes, ags. (Housewife)	1, 23	September 28, 29 and 30, 1963
JORGE ROOUR Puebla, Puebla	2	September 28, 1963



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Hame and Residence	Room No.	Dates of Occupancy
Sr. VILA Puebla, Luebla	3	September 28, 1963
Sr. RAMOS y Sra. Queretaro, Cueretaro	5	September 28, 1963
PIDENCIO GARCIA San Luis Potosi, S.L.P.	13	September 28, 1963
CARLOS ENROTES Veracruz, Veracruz	16	September 28, 1963
Sr. PBREZ y fam. Chihuahun, Chihuahua (Businessnar)	22, 19	September 22 and October 1, 1963
Sr. RAHIDEZ Torreon, Coahuila	23	September 28, 1963
SILVINO MARCINEZ Queretaro, Cueretaro	24	September 23, 1963
MARIO ALATO RE Puebla, Puebla (Businessmar)	28, 3	September 23 and 29, 1963
LEONARDO BELTRRA Guanajuato, Guanajuato (Businessman)	2	September 29 and 30 and October 1, 1963
RAUL RAMIRES Veracruz, Veracruz	12	September 29, 1963
RAUL RAMIPEZ Veracruz, Veracruz	13	September 29 and 30 and October 1, 1963
FERHANDO MARTINEZ Guadalajara, Jalisco	16	September 29, 1963
ALFONSO PTLTRAN Chihuahun. hihuahua	19	September 29, 1963



Name and Residence	Room No.	Dates of Occupancy
TOMAS CALVAR Quoretaro, Queretaro	24	September 29, 1903
JECUS GOESE 7 fam.	. 1	September 30, 1963
JUAN PEDRAZA (JULIAN PEDRAZA) San Luis Potosi, S.L.P.	3	September 33 through October 1, 1963
JESUS GOITSZ	. .	September 30, 1833
MANUEL SANTOS Saltillo, Combuila	12	September 30 through Cotober 1, 1963
SALVADOR HERNANDEZ Puebla, Fuebla	16	September 30, 1933
Cap. ESQUIVEL Veracruz, Velacruz (Wilitary)	19	September 30, 1963
GUILLERED FLORES Queretaro, Queretaro	22	September 30, 1963
TEOFIL. (TEOFILO) VELAZQUEZ Irapuato, Gunnajuato	24	September 30, 1933
ARMANDO RODDIGUEZ San Luis, Guenajuato (San Luis de la Paz)	25	September 30, 1963
GREGORIO PONTZ Fuebla, Puebla	28	September 30 through October 1, 1963
RAMIRET. Nonterrey, Milevo Leon	1	Cctober 1, 1963
Cap. DOH!NGTZ Guadalajara, Jalisco	5	October 1, 1963
ROSAS PANIEREZ Celaya, Gue mijuato	16	October 1, 1963



Name and Rosidence	Room No.	Dates of Occupancy
Cr. MONTOYA Puebla, Puebla	23	October 1, 1963
FRANCISCO GUTIERREZ Puebla, Prebla (Chauffeur)	25	October 1, 196\$
FELIPE ESCOBEDO	26	October 1, 1963
ALFONSO G. BCIA Monterrey, Nuevo Leon	27	October 1, 1963
INTERVIEW OF MANAGER AND OTHER PERSONNEL AT HOTEL		

GUILLERMO GARCIA LUNA advised on March 3, 1964, that he is the owner and manager of the Hotel col Comercia, which is located approximately five blocks north of the main cast-west thoroughfare of Mexico, Pasco de la Reforma, and two blocks east of the principal north-south artery, Avenida Insurgentes. He explained that his hotel caters to commercial travelers, most of whom are Hexican citizens; that it has a total of thirty rooms, most of which are equipped with a private bath; that for a single room the minimum rate, without bath, is 13.00 pesos (\$1.03 U.S.) and the maximum, with bath, is 20.00 pesos (\$1.60 U.S.) He added that the hotel is in the heart of the area of many of the bus terminals in Mexico City and also is only a few blocks from the passenger railroad station.

GAPCIA LUNA furnished the following observations concerning the stay of LEE HARVEY OSVALD at the Hotel del Comercio. He received OSVALD and caused him to sign the hotel registration book, which is utilized in place of registration cards. He believed OSVALD's arrival had occurred between 10:00 and 11:00 a.m. The guest makes the initial entry in the registration book with data which includes his name, place of origin, occupation, and nationality; thereafter, so long as the guest remains at the hotel, his name and identifying data are transferred to the registration book page for the current date, after he has made parment in

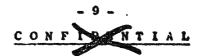
advance for his room for the ensuing night. Inasmuch as payment is made in advance, no effort is made to obtain an exact home address from the registrant.

The hotel has four floors, and OSVALD was assigned room No. 18 (with bath) but the third floor at a daily rate of 16.00 pesos (\$1.28 U.3.) The rooms on the latter floor are numbered from 18 through 23. The hotel registration book reflects that OSVALD paid for his room on October 1, 1963, which, according to GARCIA LUNA, indicates he was entitled to and probably slept at the hotel the night of October 1-2, 1963, and departed therefrom during the day of October 2, 1963. GARCIA LUNA stated he could not recall the circumstances of OSVALD's departure nor the hour thereof, but merely was judging normal procedure on the basis of information in his record.

GARCIA LUNA advised that he speaks a few words of English and received the impression that OSMALD neither spoke nor understood any Spanish. He had not observed OSMALD in the hotel during the day nor had be ever seen him accompanied by any individual or individuals. He recalled that OSMALD had been carrying a medium-size, brown handbag, which he believed had a zipper and was either of Naugahyde or canvas material. He did not remember that OSMALD had ever worn a coat and believed he usually appeared in a short-sleeved shirt of a knit variety.

Inquiry was made of GARCIA LUNA as to other personnel at the hotel who might recall OSWALD on the basis of having any reason to notice or contact him, and he stated that those persons would be his assistant, SEBASTIAN PEREZ, and the maid who cleans the rooms on the upper two floors, MATILDE GARNICA.

GARCIA LUNA stated that he was acquainted with a few of the guests who were at the hotel during the same period as OSWALD but did not have home addresses for any of them. He mentioned that several of the guests of that period are commercial travelers and return to the hotel from time to time. He agreed to advise the confidential source in the event any of those guests should return to the hotel.



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NATILDE GARNICA, maid at the Hotel del Comercio, advised on March 3, 1964, that she recognized the photographs of OSVALD as being of the young American who had occupied room No. 18 for almost a week during the latter part of last year. She explained that she handles the daily housekeeping duties for the third and fourth floors of the hotel, comprising rooms numbered 18 through 30, and ordinarily arrives at work between 9:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m., leaving at 9:00 p.m., upon completion of her working day.

Mrs. GARNICA related that she clearly recalis OSVALD, as few Americans stay at the hotel, and was somewhat intrigued by his presence there. He had very few personal effects, which he carried in what she described as a "small, brown, zippered handbag," which was either of canvas or imitation leather material. She did not believe she had seen OSWALD in the hotel on more than two occasions, the day of his arrival and the following Saturday as he still was in his room when she checked to determine which rooms were available for cleaning. She remembered that when she saw him in the room on the Saturday morning in question he said "good morning" to her in English, and a short time later left the hotel.

She never saw him with any other person and had no conversation with him, having received the impression that he neither spoke nor understood Spanish.

SEBASTIAN PEREZ HERNANDEZ, desk clerk and assistant to the owner of the Hotel del Comercio, advised on March 10, 1964, that he had not conversed with OSWALD but remembered him clearly inasmuch as very few Americans have stayed at the hotel. To the best of his recollection, OSWALD left the hotel each morning and did not return until evening, possibly after PEREZ HERNANDEZ had completed his working day and left the hotel. He stated OSWALD was alone whenever he noticed him at the hotel and usually wore a knit, short-sleeved sport shirt and no coat or jacket.

PEFEZ HERNANDEZ advised that since OSWALD paid his rent in advance for the night of October 1, 1963, there would have been little reason for contact with him on the presumed date of his departure, October 2, 1963, and he was unable to



remember any cofails in this connection.

Or the basis of information that OSWALD probably left kind of City by bus on the morning of October 2, 1963, PERFZ HURNIFUEZ was reinterviewed on April 10, 1964, and he stated it had not occurred to him previously but it was possible that the night watchman, who yemains at the reception deck during the night, might have been aware of OSWALD's departure from the hotel. We identified the watchman as PEDRC ROTRIGUEZ and stated he could be located at the hotel after 7:00 p.m. or during the carly morning hours.

Cn April 18, 1964, PEDRO RODRIGUET LEDESMA advised that he resides at Santa Clara, State of Merice, and for many years has been the night watchman at the hotel del Comercio, his working hours being from 9:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m. He explained, however, that he often is able to leave the hotel by 1:00 a.m. or earlier if the owner and manager, GUILLERHO SARCIA LUMA, has arrived to relieve him and handle reception quites. With respect to IEE HARVEY CSWALD's stay at the hotel he furnished the following information.

He clearly recalls the young American whom he later identified in his mind as OSWALD and remembers that on the date of the latter's departure from the hotel and on the basis of sign language and the word "taxi," which he interpreted is indicate that OSWALD wanted a taxicab, RODRIGUEZ velied around the corner from the hotel to Orozco y Berra and Levnal Diaz Streets where he obtained a taxicab which had just left a passenger at the "Estrella Blanca" ("White Star") bus terminal. He stated definitely that he did not know the taxi driver and had not known or discussed with the driver or OSWALD the latter's intended destination. He said OSWALD carried his own luggage downstairs and waited in front of the hotel with the luggage until RODRIGUEZ returned with the taxicab.

He believed OSWALD left the hotel between 6:30 and 7:00 a.m., since it was getting light when he went in search of the tamicas. He could not be more precise concerning the time. He believed that OSWALD gave him a small tip of one or two perc: (\$.02 or \$.13 U.3.) for his assistance in calling a taxi. RODRIGUEZ commented that while he had little



difficulty obtaining a taxi at the early hour, it becomes very difficult to secure taxi transportation between 7:30 and 8:30 a.m. because of the heavy traffic at that time.

RODRIGUEZ related that to the best of his recollection OSWALD always arrived at the hotel late at night, "midnight or thereafter," but he never noticed any indication that OSWALD had been drinking. He never observed OSWALD in the company of any person and did not recall his ever using the only telephone at the hotel, which is located at the reception desk.

With the exception of the morning of his departure from the hotel, RODRIGUEZ believed that OSWALD never left the hotel in the mornings prior to the former's completion of his work shift and leaving, which would have been between 8:00 and 9:00 a.m.

On April 22, 1964, inquiry was made of GUILLERMO GARCIA LUNA with respect to the reliability of his watchman, PEDRO RODRIGUEZ LEDESMA, and he stated RODRIGUEZ is "humble but very serious, deeply religious, a family man, and highly reliable." He commented that he did not believe RODRIGUEZ would fabricate or misrepresent information in any way.

OTHER INQUIRIES IN THE AREA OF THE HOTEL DEL COMERCIO, TAXI STANDS, AND BUS TERMINALS

On March 4 and again on April 10, 1964, DOLORES
RAMIREZ DE/BARREIRO advised that she is the owner, manager, and sometimes cook at the small restaurant on Calle Bernardino de Sahngun (no number) immediately adjacent to the Hotel del Comercio. She explained that there is no commercial connection between the hotel and her restaurant, but because of its proximity cany hotel guests eat some meals at the restaurant.

Upon viewing photographs of OSWALD, Mrs. BARREIRO affirmed that she remembered him as a young American who had eaten several meals at the restaurant in the late afternoon over a period of approximately one week. She said he appeared



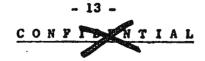
at the restaurant after the noon rush hour or some time after 2:00 p.m., always alone, and ordered his food by pointing on the menu, apparently with some consideration of costs. He always ate the soup of the day, rice, and either meat or eggs, but always rejected dessert and coffee. She thought this unusual, as the dessert and coffee ordinarily are included in the price of the daily lunch, but he did not appear to understand this and always waved the waitress away if she tried to serve those items. She recalled that he also rejected any efforts to sell him soft drinks, which she described as an important income item in her business. She estimated that OSWALD spent from five to six pesos (\$.40 to \$.48 U.S.) for his meals. She had assumed he was a guest at the hotel but never observed him contact or talk to anyone while at the restaurant.

The information recorded hereinunder was furnished by a second confidential source, who has provided reliable information in the past, on March 24, 1964.

In the area of the Hotel del Omercio at Calle Bernardino de Sahagun No. 19, it was observed that this street is only one block long and has very little business or other activity. A photograph of subject was displayed to GUILLERNO CAMARGO, the owner and operator of a parking lot located directly in front of the Hotel del Comercio, and to RAHON RICO, who operates a cigarette and candy stand at the entrance to the parking lot, without any identification by those individuals.

On that same street, a photograph of OSWALD was displayed to the automobile watchman, JESUS TRIGO, who was unable to recognize OSWALD. A restaurant without a name is located at the corner of Bernardino de Sahagun Street and San Cosme, and the cashier of that establishment was unable to recognize a photograph of OSWALD.

A careful check was made in the area of the Transportes Frontera bus line, as well as the A.D.O. (Autobuses del Oriente - Autobuses of the East) bus line, which is next door, in an effort to locate any individual who might have furnished transportation to Nuevo Laredo, Tamaulipas, Nexico, to OSWALD between October 1 and 2, 1963.



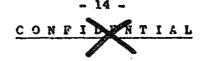
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is a taxi strad which maintains permanent service in that locality for that terminal and also the Transportes Frontera terminal. The number of the taxi stand is 119 and one of the drivers and owner of all the taxis operated there is JOSE LUNA CARRAM, who operates a 1953 ford with Federal District taxi license plates 33-64. He was certain that neither he nor any of the other drivers at that stand would have provided transportation to OSWALD to Nuevo Laredo, inaspuch as they rarely accept fares outside of Mexico City. He stated, however, if a North American should request transport tion outside the city, they normally would refer him to their colleague, JESUS "EL PINGUINO," who is the only one of their group who speaks English.

The foregoing individual was interviewed and shown a photograph of OSVALD. He stated he had not made any trips outside the city in October, 1993, and was unable to identify the photograph of OSVALD as anyone who had utilized his services as a taxi driver.

OSEMID's photograph was displayed to all the drivers at the above-mentioned taxi stand without locating any of them who could identify OSWALD as having been a passenger in their respective taxi cabs.

It was determined that a taxi stand operates from in front of the bus terminal of the "Autobuses Blancos Flecha Roja" ("Red i have White Buses") on Heroes Ferrocarrileros Street, where the dispatcher is MANUEL YARGAS. A photograph of OSWALD was shown to VARGAS, as well as to the other chauffeurs we operate from that stand, four or five in number, without localing anyone who recognized OSWALD as having been a passenger. FERNANDO DRTIZ advised that he is the only driver at that stand who speaks English and usually handles English speaking fares for persons who leave the bus terminal in search of a taxi to transport them to a hotel. He stated that he and other drivers would be perfectly willing to make a special trip to Laredo but had not done so in the month of October, 1982. He stated he could not recognize the photographs he had seen of OSWALD in the newspapers.



In the area of the above-mentioned bus terminal, NICOLAS MARTINEZ, who operates a nowsstand; the personnel of the "Museo" gasoline station, which is located immediately adjacent to the bus terminal; and the owner and manager of the Hotel "Museo," OBDULIO ANTON, as well as several employees and his nephew, MANOLO ANTON, were unable to recognize a photograph of OSWALD. Also in the area of the bus terminal the shoeshine boy, FELIPE GARCIA, as well as the candy salesman, ISABEL PALMAS, and the policeman who is stationed outside the bus terminal and has Badge No. 1128, were unable to recognize a photograph of OSWALD or furnish any information concerning him.

In the area of the Mexico City railroad station (located a few blocks from the Hotel del Comercio), it was determined that a taxi stand operates under the direction of Mr. ARCINIEGA and Mr. DIAZ, but neither of those individuals was able to recognize a photograph of OSWALD.

A photograph of OSWALD was displayed to IGNACIO RUIZ and JOSE TREJO, who sell travel handbags regularly at the doors of the A.D.O. and Transportes Frontera bus terminals; the shoeshine boys who operate regularly in the area; the National Lottery ticket salesmen, LUIS MELCHOR, ANTONIO CRUZ, and JUAN CRUZ; salesmen of belts and colored glasses, ROSENDO CORONA and ANTONIO LOPEZ; newspaper vendors, NICOLAS SANCHEZ and GONZALO CASTRO MIRANDA; VICTOR OROPEZA and his son, ALFREDO, who sell orange juice from an ambulatory stand; LADISLADO BADILLO and his cousin, JUAN BADILLO, who operate a gift stand near the entrance to the A.D.O. terminal and a similar shop at the German-American Hotel on the same block; and to JULIO GARCIA, who operates a parking lot next door to the A.D.O. bus station, and none of them was able to identify the photograph as being of any person who had been in that area inquiring for transportation.

Photographs of OSVALD also were displayed in other business establishments adjacent to the bus stations at the Mexican Aviation Company offices, the branch of the National Bank, the German-American Hotel, the Isabel lunch stand, the Aisa battery shop, the Hotel America and the bus terminal for "Autobuses Corsarios del Bajio," which offers transportation to Morelia, without locating any person who could

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recognize the photograph of OSWALD as having been in that locality.

INTERVIEWS OF QUESTS AT HOTEL

A second confidential source abroad reported that on January 24, 1964, ALFONSO PEREZ PLIEGO advised that his home address is Calle Espana No. 304, Guadalajara, Jalisco, and that he frequently stops at the Hotel del Comercio while in Nexico City, where he has a business address of Calle Bolivar No. 8, Room 401. He confirmed that he had occupied room No. 19 at the Hotel del Comercio from September 26 through 28, 1963, but stated that he had not observed OSWALD's presence at the hotel and was unable to furnish any information concerning the latter's activities in Mexico City.

A third confidential source abroad advised that on March 1, 1964, Captain SALVADOR ESQUIVEL SEGURA was located at the Hotel del Comercio and he advised that he resides permanently at Calle Colon No. 18, Fraccionamiento Reforma, Veracruz, Veracruz, and is a Mexican Army dental surgeon attached to the Military Zone Headquarters at Veracruz.

He stated he was at the Hotel del Comercio during the latter part of September, 1963, for one night only, and if the hotel records reflected he was there on the night of September 30, 1963, that data would coincide with his recollection of the matter. He advised that while he was most desirous of being of assistance, he could not recall anything whatsoever concerning OSWALD in connection with the hotel and could not identify photographs of him as being of a guest whom he had seen at the hotel.

The same source advised that on March 4, 1964, URBANO TORRES MENDOZA advised that he resides permanently at Calle Sangre de Cristo No. 51, Guanajuato, Guanajuato, and, being an automobile salesman, he makes frequent trips between Guanajuato and Mexico City for the purpose of transporting new automobiles. He related that he usually stays at the Hotel del Comercio, departing in the early morning and returning late at night. Upon viewing photographs of LEE HARVEY OSWALD, he stated he does not recall him as anyone he has seen at any time.



The first confidential source abroad furnished the information recorded bereinunder.

In March 3, 1964; MARTIN GUERRERO was located at the Hotel del Comercio, room No. 15, and advised that he permanently resides at Calle Anahuac No. 215, San Luis Potosi, San Luis Potosi, and is a member of a "hand fiber manufacturing cooperative" known as "Sociedad Cooperativa Fabrica de Fibras Duras Atlas" in San Luis Potosi. He recalled having been at the Hotel del Comercio in late September and early October, 1963, explaining that he and his associates have been traveling to Mexico City with some frequency in recent years in connection with their business and always stay at the same hotel.

Upon viewing photographs of LEE HARVEY OSWALD, GUERRERO stated positively that he had no collection of him and was certain he had never been aware of a young American being at the hotel at any time. He pointed out that he usually leaves the hotel early in the morning and does not return until late afternoon or evening and never spends time in the small lobby or reception area.

JULIO LINAN also was interviewed at the Hotel del Comercio on March 3, 1964, and stated he resides in San Luis Potosi at Calle Altamirano No. 510 and is an associate of Mr. GUERRERO in the fiber cooperative. He acknowledged that he had been at the hotel in September and October, 1963, but upon viewing photographs of OSWALD advised that he did not recognize them as being of anyone he had ever seen.

On March 14, 1964, MANUEL SERRALDE was located at the Hotel del Comercio and related that he has resided "more or less permanently" at that hotel during recent years and surely was at the establishment during late September and early October, 1963. He viewed photographs of LES HARVEY OSWALD and stated that while he recognizes them from having seen them in the newspapers, he is certain he was never aware of his presence at the Hotel del Comercio and has no knowledge whatsoever concerning his having been a guest at the hotel.

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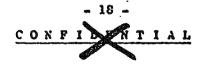
On April 22, 1964, GUILLERHO GARCIA LUNA advised that on the basis of a search of abandoned correspondence, review of his records and accounts, and refreshing his memory through discussions with other personnel at the hotel, he had been able to develop the following additional data which might be of assistance in locating other guests at the hotel during the time ONKALD was at the establishment.

Chan but had clarified to GARCIA LUNA that he had grown up on the east coast of Mexico where "Cuban Spanish" is spoken. He had registered his occupation as "musician" but was known to have been employed as a cook or cook's helper in an unidentified Mexico City restaurant. He had been living at the hotel with a woman to whom he referred as his "wife" but because of their "way of life" GARCIA LUNA judged that she might have been his paramour. They left the hotel without paying a substantial hotel bill, and GARCIA LUNA has been attempting to locate them for several months without success. (Efforts have been made to leaste OLIVA through checking records of various restaurant workers' unions, the Mexican Department of Emigration and the Mexican Institute of Social Security. All inquiries to date have been negative.)

FERUNDO VALENZUELA arrives in Mexico City from time to time but does not always stop at the Motel del Comercio. He is a professional chauffeur who transports new automobiles for some automobile agency in Chihuahua, Chihuahua.

ANGELICA PERSYRA resided at the hotel for some time but several months ago married PEDRO QUIJANO. also a guest at the hotel, and the couple now resides in Herida, Jucatan.

PRORD CUIJANO was an employee of an aviation company and shortly prior to his marriage to ANGELICA PEREYRA won a substantial lettery prize which enabled him to marry and move to Merida. (Yequiry was made at the main offices of the Mexican Aviation Company without locating any record identifiable with QUIJANO.)



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GABRIEL CONTRERAS is the owner of a business in Ciudad Juarez, Chihuahua, involving cotton seed oil or related activity, and resides at Ciudad Camargo, Chihuahua.

RODOLFO RODRIGUEZ of Chihuahua, Chihuahua, also is a driver for an automobile agency, possibly the "Opel or General Notors agency" in Chihuahua.

MARTIN SUMAYA is a retired "Army man" who occasionally has stayed at the hotel and resides in Nuevo Leon, Tamaulipas.

RAFAEL ROCHA is an automobile driver and drives new automobiles from Mexico City to some agency at Torreon.

GARCIA LUNA believes JOSE GARES is a bus driver, and the fact that his home address is listed as Aguascalientes causes him to assume that he is employed by the "Estrella Blanca" ("White Star") bus line, which offers service to the area of Aguascalientes.

FIDENCIO GARCIA may be a businessman in San Luis Potosi, San Luis Potosi.

The full name of "Cap. DOMINGUEZ" is Captain CARLOS DOMINGUEZ, and a letter which he left behind at the hotel reflects him to be the President of the "Unification Estatal de los Veteranos de la Revolucion" ("State Federation of Veterans of the Revolution"), Calle Alvaro Obregon No. 500, room No. 20, San Luis Potosi, San Luis Potosi.

GARCIA LUNA advised that he would continue to be alert for the arrival at the hotel of or information concerning other guests who night have some information concerning OSWALD.

Hotel owner GARCIA LUNA advised that MARIO RESENDIZ stops at the Hotel del Comercio periodically and travels throughout Mexico as a salesman of religious artifacts.

A fourth confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on February 28, 1964, that extensive investigation had been made at Monclova, Coahuila, without obtaining any information as to the permanent address or further identifying data concerning MARIO RESENDIZ.



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REPUTATION OF HOTEL DEL COMERCIO

On April 22, 1964, inquiry was made of GUILLERMO GARCIA LUNA as to his opinion of how OSWALD had selected and appeared at his hotel; and he stated that even though the hotel is three blocks and "around three corners" from the Red Arrow bus terminal, he considers his hotel to have the best general aspect and appearance of any of several in the area; furthermore, it is known by personnel in other hotels that GARCIA LUNA can understand and speak a little English. He also mentioned that his hotel is filled to approximately ninety per cent of capacity at all times because he makes every effort to provide superior accommodations to commercial travelers at competitive prices.

On April 17, 1964, a fourth confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past and is in a position to be informed with respect to the activities in Mexico of Cubans and individuals of other nationalities who are sympathetic to the Castro revolutionary regime in Cuba, advised that the Hotel del Comercio is not known to him as being frequented by pro-Castro Cubans.

On April 23, 1964, the first confidential source, who is well acquainted with hotel operations in Mexico City, reported that he knows nothing unfavorable with respect to the character and reputation of GUILLERMO GARCIA LUNA of the Botel del Comercio and considers the latter to be a reputable establishment usually frequented by commercial travelers and individuals of modest means.

