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TO : Mr. W. C. Sullivan

DATE: 11-27-63

FROM : Mr. W. R. Wannall

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SUBJECT: LEE HARVEY OSWALD
INTERNAL SECURITY - R - CUBA

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9/23/68
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By teletype 5:22 p.m. 11-25-63 Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) requested on expedite basis certain information to assist in pursuit of CIA investigation of Oswald's activities in Mexico. Specifically, CIA inquired whether during interviews of Oswald he was asked about his travel to Mexico (from 9-26-63 to 10-3-63) and his contacts with Cuban and Soviet Embassies in Mexico. CIA also inquired concerning dealings of Oswald and his wife with Soviet Embassy in Washington, D. C., and whether Oswald's wife is being interrogated. In addition, CIA requested further identifying and background data on Mrs. Michael R. Paine who reportedly brought Mrs. Oswald from New Orleans to Texas on 9-23-63.

Special Agent Richard Rogge, Bureau Supervisor who is in Dallas on special assignment, advised on evening of 11-26-63 that questioning of Oswald following assassination of President and prior to murder of subject dealt entirely with his part in the assassination of the President, his procurement of a rifle, his whereabouts in Dallas on the day of the assassination, etc. At the time subject was murdered on 11-24-63 questioning of him had not extended to his travel to Mexico or his contacts with Soviet establishments.

With regard to Oswald's contacts with the Soviet Embassy in Washington, D. C., we are in receipt of data from Washington Field Office from highly sensitive source concerning a letter sent by subject to Soviet Embassy in Washington, D. C., wherein Oswald mentioned his contact with Soviet Embassy in Mexico. Letter was apparently written by Oswald to expedite issuance of visas for travel to the Soviet Union by the subject and his wife.

With regard to inquiries on Mrs. Paine, we have instructed Dallas to conduct this investigation and we are also making arrangements to have the subject's wife interviewed by Dallas Office with the aid of a Russian interpreter during which time we will cover any knowledge she might have regarding subject's contacts with Soviet establishments.

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Attached is teletype to CIA replying to their inquiries in line with the foregoing. Immediately on receipt of results of inquiry concerning Mrs. Paine and results of interview with subject's wife, will furnish these to CIA.
Enclosure sent 11-27-63
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