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Re: Lee Harvey Oswald
Internal Security - R - Cuba

On April 8, 1964, James M. Josoff, Public Relations Director, Travellers Aid Society, 204 East 39th Street, New York, advised a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (SA of the FBI) that his records indicate that Oswald and his family were met at the pier in Hoboken, New Jersey, on June 13, 1962, by a representative from their office and transported to the Port Authority Terminal at 41st Street and 8th Avenue, New York City. He stated that this transportation was via Travellers company limousine and was free of charge. He stated their limousine service only operates between the Port Authority terminals and the piers and that is the reason why Oswald was not taken directly to the office of the New York City Department of Welfare. He advised that the record further indicates that their representative accompanied Oswald and his family from the Port Authority Terminal to the office of Special Services, New York City, and that they travelled via taxicab. He commented that inasmuch as Oswald's file does not contain a request for reimbursement for this taxi fare, he would assume that Oswald paid for the fare.

Mr. Josoff remarked that it would appear from the record that Oswald and his family stayed at the Times Square Motor Hotel, 8th Avenue and 43rd Street, New York City. He also remarked that since Oswald did have some money in his possession, any meals consumed during the period that he was in the company of the Travellers representative, Oswald would have paid for himself.

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In connection with the taxi fare from the Port Authority Terminal to the Department of Welfare, Max Weiss, President of the Broad Street Taxi Owners Association, Incorporated, 44 Whitehall Street, New York, advised an SA of the FBI on April 10, 1964 that the fare for this trip would have been approximately \$1.50.

On April 8, 1964, Miss Dorothy Downing, Supervisor, Special Investigations, New York City Department of Welfare, advised an SA of the FBI that since their files do not reflect any expenditures by the department on behalf of Oswald and his family, it can be assumed that any transportation to and from the office of the Department of Welfare and any meals consumed during the period of Oswald's association with the department, were paid for by Oswald himself.

She stated that the file does contain a request from a Department of Welfare worker for reimbursement for himself for \$3.50 spent on transportation to and from Idlewild Airport, Queens, New York, aboard a Carey bus. She commented that it would appear that Oswald, his family, and the Welfare worker proceeded to Idlewild aboard a Carey bus and that Oswald paid his whole fare.

Miss Downing stated that Oswald left the Special Services branch office of the Department of Welfare, 42 Franklin Street, registered at a Times Square Hotel and subsequently returned to the Special Services office on June 14, 1962, at which time he was accompanied to the Western Union office, 428 Broadway, which is only a few blocks from the Special Services office, where he obtained the \$200 sent by his brother from Texas.

In connection with the above itinerary, Miss Downing was unable to furnish any information concerning expenditures by Oswald.

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Although Oswald's means of transportation from Special Services office, 42 Franklin Street, to his hotel at 8th Avenue and 43rd Street, on June 13, 1962, and his return trip to 42 Franklin Street on the following day are unknown, it is to be noted that if he, his wife, and their four month infant child took a taxicab, the approximate fare each way would have been \$1.50. This estimate was furnished on April 10, 1964 by Max Weiss, heretofore mentioned. As indicated above, the Western Union office where Oswald received his \$200 is within walking distance from the Special Services office and in all probability, no transportation expenses were incurred in connection with this travel.

It appears from the Welfare file that Oswald left the Western Union office and proceeded to the West Side Air Terminal to obtain his airplane tickets. Since there is no information available regarding his means of transportation, it can only be assumed that if he travelled via taxi, the fare would have been \$1.50, according to Mr. Weiss.

The West Side Air Terminal is located at 10th Avenue and 42nd Street, and is within walking distance to the Times Square Hotel, 8th Avenue and 43rd Street, and in all probability Oswald incurred no expense in connection with this travel.

On April 9, 1964, Ethel Zilliken, Chief Ticket Agent, Delta Airlines, West Side Air Terminal, advised an SA of the FBI that their files reflect that on June 14, 1962, Oswald purchased two tickets totalling \$183.04 or \$91.52 for each ticket. She stated that there is no charge for an infant. She commented that Oswald's flight number was 821, and was scheduled to land at Love Field, Dallas, Texas.

On April 9, 1964, John Huber, Jr., Manager, Times Square Motor Hotel, 8th Avenue and 43rd Street, New York City, advised an SA of the FBI that their files reflect that L. Oswald registered at their hotel on June 13, 1962,

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and checked out on June 14, 1962. He stated that Oswald's bill, totalling \$15.21, included \$10 for the room, \$3.50 tax and \$4.71 for telephone calls. He stated that the telephone toll cards are destroyed after six months and the only information available regarding these calls is that one long distance call amounting to \$2.31 was placed on June 13, 1962 and one long distance call amounting to \$2.20 and one local call amounting to \$.20, were placed on June 14, 1962.

On April 10, 1964, Edward L. Braune, Security Supervisor, New York City Telephone Company, advised that their records pertaining to the period June, 1962, have been destroyed and there is no information available concerning these records.

The Welfare file indicates that Oswald left his hotel on June 14, 1962 and proceeded to the East Side Airlines (ESAL), First Avenue and 38th Street, New York City, via taxi. In connection with this taxi transportation, Mr. Weiss, previously mentioned, estimated that this fare would have been approximately \$.85. The file revealed that Oswald and his family apparently travelled from ESAL to Idlewild Airport via Carey bus.

On April 10, 1964, inquiry at Carey Transportation Company, ESAL, First Avenue and 38th Street, New York City, disclosed that the fare from ESAL to Idlewild Airport in June, 1962 would have been \$1.75 per person with no charge for infants.