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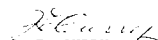
Mr. J. Lee Rankin  
General Counsel  
President's Commission  
on the Assassination  
of President Kennedy  
200 Maryland Avenue, N.E.  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

Attached are reports of Sergeant D. V. Harkness  
and Patrolmen W. R. Finnigan regarding unknown  
white man passing out pro-Castro literature on  
the streets of this city in early part of 1963.

These reports requested through Lieutenant  
Jack Revill of this department. Also the complete  
file on Lee Harvey Oswald compiled by the  
Intelligence Unit of this department.

Very truly yours,

  
J. E. CURRY  
CHIEF OF POLICE

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Encs.

COMMISSION EXHIBIT No. 1409

Mr. J. E. Curry  
Chief of Police

Subject: An Unidentified White Male Passing  
Out Pro-Castro Literature at Main  
and Ervay Streets

Sir:

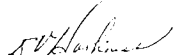
On some day in late spring or early summer of 1963, which was  
about a year ago, I received a call to meet Officer W.R. Finnigan  
at Main and Ervay Streets regarding an unidentified white male  
passing out Pro-Castro literature.

I went to the Special Service Bureau and informed Lt. Jack Revill  
of the situation. I told him that I was going to Main and Ervay  
Streets that I was going to try to find out the name of the person.

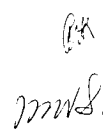
I went West on Main Street. As I approached Ervay Street, I pulled  
to the curb and got off of my three-wheel motorcycle. The white  
male ran into H. L. Green Department Store and fled. I could not  
get a good description of the man because he ducked behind a post  
in the entrance to the store, which was across the street on the  
northwest corner of the intersection. He was also going away from  
me and I observed him very briefly. He appeared to be medium  
build and he had on a white shirt. I could not identify this man.

Officer Finnigan was going to give pursuit, but I told him "let  
him go."

Respectfully,

  
D. V. Harkness  
Sergeant of Police  
Traffic Division

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COMMISSION EXHIBIT No. 1409—Continued

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Date December 4, 1963

May 15, 1964

Mr. J. E. Curry  
Chief of Police

Subject: An Unidentified White Male Passing  
Out Pro-Castro literature at  
Main and Ervay Streets

Sir:

On a day in late spring or early summer of 1963, which was approximately one year ago, I was on the northeast corner of Main and Ervay Streets and observed an unidentified white male on the northwest corner of Main and Ervay Streets. This white male was passing out some sort of literature, and had a sign on his back which read "Viva Castro".

I went to the phone in Dreyfuss & Son and called for Sgt. D. J. Harkness to meet me on the corner. While I was waiting for Sgt. Harkness, U.S. Commissioner W. Madden Hill came across the street and said "Something should be done about that guy passing out literature". Mr. Hill seemed to be very angry.

About this time, Sgt. Harkness drove up on his three-wheel motorcycle and stopped on the northeast corner where I was standing. As we started to discuss the situation, the white male removed the "Viva Castro" sign and ran into H. L. Green Company. I started after him but was told by Sgt. Harkness to let him go. Another unknown white male told us that when Sgt. Harkness came up, this unidentified white male said "Oh, hell, here come the cops."

This unidentified white male was of medium weight and height and had on a white shirt and was bare headed. I can not identify this white male because he was across the street and I was waiting for Sgt. Harkness to make the initial contact with him.

Respectfully,



W. R. Finigan  
Patrolman #606  
Traffic Division

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COMMISSION EXHIBIT No. 1409—Continued

MYRA SILVER, secretary, Jones Printing Company, 422 Girod Street, New Orleans, Louisiana, was interviewed at her place of employment and advised that her records reflect the following information:

She stated that on May 29, 1963, a person who she understood gave his name as OSBORNE appeared at the Jones Printing Company and placed an order for 1,000 copies of a handbill, a rough draft of which he submitted on a 8 x 10 looseleaf paper. She stated that the handbill read as follows:

"HANDS  
OFF  
CUBA!"

"Join the Fair Play for  
Cuba Committee

"NEW ORLEANS CHARTER  
MEMBER BRANCH

"Free Literature, Lectures

"LOCATION:

"EVERYONE WELCOME!"

She advised that the order was placed on job ticket # D-7548 and promised the completed product on June 4, 1963. She advised that the business relationship was strictly cash, due to the fact that her company had never done business with OSBORNE before.

She advised that her records show that OSBORNE appeared on May 31, 1963, and placed a \$4.00 down payment on his order. She stated that the handbills were made up on June 1, and locked up on June 3, 1963. She advised that

On 12/3/63 at New Orleans, Louisiana File # NO 89-69

by SA JOHN M. MCCARTHY /dmm Date dictated 12/4/63

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