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LOWELL OSWALD, 132 Elmser Street, Metairie, Louisiana, advised he is the son of HAZEL OSWALD, who resides at 133 Elmser Street. He stated he is a first cousin of LEE OSWALD. He recalled LEE OSWALD spent some time in his childhood in the New Orleans area. He said he would not know him if he were to meet him and could provide no information whatsoever concerning LEE's activities since childhood.

OSWALD said the name HIDEELL did not mean anything to him.

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Mrs. FAZEL OSWALD, 136 Elmser Street, Metairie, Louisiana, advised she is the widow of WILLIAM STOUT OSWALD, SR. She stated her husband's brother, LEE OSWALD, SR., and wife, MARGUERITE, nee Claverie, had been residing in New Orleans, in the 1930's. LEE SR. died in 1939 and approximately two months after his death, a son, LEE HARVEY OSWALD, was born. When LEE was approximately 2 1/2 years of age, MARGUERITE left New Orleans, going to the Fort Worth, Texas, area where she continued to raise LEE and an older brother, ROBERT E. OSWALD and another son by a previous marriage whose name was not known to Mrs. OSWALD. Mrs. OSWALD stated she lost all track of MARGUERITE and LEE until one day she received a telephone call from MARGUERITE. During the conversation, MARGUERITE indicated LEE was then 14 years of age, that she was living in the City of New Orleans with him and employed at the Burt Shoe Store on Canal Street.

According to Mrs. OSWALD, sometime after this call she went by this store and talked with MARGUERITE for a short time. After that she lost all contact with MARGUERITE and apparently MARGUERITE and LEE left New Orleans, date unknown. She said she did not know how long MARGUERITE had actually resided in New Orleans.

Mrs. OSWALD stated the next time she heard from either MARGUERITE or LEE was one day in about April, 1963, when LEE telephoned her saying he was in New Orleans and wanted to visit and obtain some information about his father's relatives, specifically a HARVEY OSWALD, the grandfather, then deceased. LEE came to her residence and arrived alone by bus. They talked about his father's folks and she gave him a photograph of his father. During her conversation with LEE he said he left his wife and child in Texas until he could find some employment in New Orleans and that he wanted to find employment as a photographer. He did not specifically say where he was living but she received the impression that one of his mother's sisters was in New Orleans, address unknown, and that LEE was living with her. Mrs. OSWALD stated sometime prior to LEE's visit she had read in the newspapers that LEE had been in Russia and had indicated a desire to become a Russian citizen. During the conversation they were talking about LEE's wife and LEE exhibited her photograph. Mrs. OSWALD asked him if his wife

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wore Russian and LEE replied "Why do you ask that?". She said that other than this one exchange, all of her conversation was about relatives.

She stated she did not hear from nor see LEE thereafter and to her knowledge he was not in personal contact with any of the other relatives in the OSWALD family. With respect to any contacts or associates in New Orleans, she stated she had no knowledge whatsoever as to what his activities may have been. As to other members of the OSWALD family, she said she had a son, NORMAN A. OSWALD, at 756 Division Street, Metairie. He has a son, WILLIAM STOUT OSWALD, III, who is a school teacher in Metairie, and has some responsible position in one of the military reserve units. WILLIAM OSWALD, III, had talked to Mrs. OSWALD on the morning of November 23, 1963, indicating someone had questioned him about LEE OSWALD and he indicated that he knew nothing whatsoever about him. She said she does not know what school or organizations LEE might have been associated with while he resided in New Orleans and that the name HIDEZLL meant nothing to her and she was positive it was not an OSWALD family name. She had never heard LEE use this name.

In conclusion, Mrs. OSWALD advised that after the death of LEE's father, the mother had severed relations with the OSWALD family and after moving to Texas, did not maintain any association with any member of the family and she could not furnish any further details concerning his background.

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Mr. and Mrs. CHARLES MURRET advised that LEE HARVEY OSWALD is Mrs. MURRET's nephew, Mrs. MURRET's sister being OSWALD's mother. Sometime after October, 1963, exact date not recalled, OSWALD called Mrs. MURRET on the telephone and advised that he had just arrived in New Orleans by bus. He asked if he could spend a few nights at her residence while he was seeking employment in New Orleans. They said that he spent from three to five nights at their residence, and that he spent the daytime seeking employment. He would never eat breakfast but would leave early in the morning and return to their residence shortly before dinner and would eat the evening meal with them. OSWALD had but few clothes consisting of a change of pants and shirt although he claimed to have several duffel bags at the bus station. He also had a few cardboard boxes in which he stated were clothes belonging to his wife and baby which he kept in the MURRET garage. OSWALD did not possess any firearms while residing at the MURRET residence to their knowledge. He had no visitors while staying there and only received one letter which he claimed was from his wife. He did receive several telephonic calls after he left regarding jobs. OSWALD obtained a job, according to his statement to them, as a mechanic at the Reilly Coffee Company which they believe he obtained by answering a newspaper advertisement. He told them he found an apartment on the same day on which he got the job and that he moved to this apartment either the next day or the day following it. OSWALD's wife and baby arrived several days later from Texas in a station wagon which was driven by a woman who spoke the Russian language. Mr. and Mrs. MURRET did not know this woman's name but they did recall the station wagon bore Texas license plates.

Mrs. MURRET advised that she and her sister, OSWALD's mother, did not get along very well and that when OSWALD was about two years of age, her sister and her children moved to Texas. She said she has had no contact with LEE OSWALD over the years until he telephonically contacted her requesting permission to stay at her home while seeking employment.

Mr. and Mrs. MURRET knew of no friends or acquaintances of OSWALD in the New Orleans area. Mr. and Mrs. MURRET had no knowledge of when OSWALD left New Orleans or by what means he may have traveled.

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