



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

June 29, 1964

BY COURIER SERVICE

Honorable J. Lee Rankin
General Counsel
The President's Commission
200 Maryland Avenue, N. E.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Rankin:

There are enclosed two copies of a Department of State, Office of Security, report in the Leo Harvey Oswald case dated June 9, 1964, at Caracas, Venezuela, dealing in part with reinterview of Mr. and Mrs. Juan M. De Cuba. The De Cubas were fellow passengers of Oswald on the buses of the Transportes del Norte line from Mexico City, Mexico, to Laredo, Texas, on October 2 and 3, 1963. The De Cubas were reinterviewed at our request.

The enclosed report also makes reference to the Muracciolo sisters, formerly of Caracas, Venezuela, who are said to presently reside in Mexico City, Mexico.

In light of recent developments which have established that Oswald departed from Nuevo Laredo, Mexico, on October 3, 1963, by Transportes del Norte bus and as the Muracciolo sisters departed from Nuevo Laredo, Mexico, on October 3, 1963, by air en route to Caracas, Venezuela, we do not intend to conduct further inquiry to locate and interview them.

Sincerely yours,

Enclosures (2)

FORM 88-538 4-28-54		DEPARTMENT OF STATE OFFICE OF SECURITY	
TITLE OSWALD, Lee Harvey		CASE CLASSIFICATION 1A-25.00(4)	
FIELD OFFICE Caracas	DATE REPORTED 6/9/64	DATES INVESTIGATED 3/30/54 - 6/9/64	REPORTING AGENT M. B. Lustgarten
SYNOPSIS Translation of interview of Mr. and Mrs. DE CUBA by the Netherlands Antilles Police Forces set out. Attempts to locate Matilda MURACCILO (Davila) and Maria Cristina Muracciolo (Davila) de PIEDRA in Caracas revealed women now residing in Mexico City. Pending at Kingston. - PENDING -			
REFERENCE: O:SY/1 memoranda 1/27/64, 3/27/64, 4/3/64 RSO Caracas report 3/6/64			
DETAILS: <u>INVESTIGATION IN CURACAO, N.A.</u> By investigative report dated May 27, 1964, the Post Security Officer at American Consulate General, Curacao forwarded a report from the Netherlands Antilles Police Force which stated the following: "On the 22nd of May 1964, Mr. Cornelis BRINKENDERG, Sub Inspector of the Netherlands Antilles Police Forces interrogated in Aruba Juan Mathoo DE CUBA, born in Aruba February 8, 1935, customs-officer, residence - Savaneta No. 237A, Aruba, and his wife, Ada Francisca DISLIP, born in Aruba, January 6, 1935, same address.			
APPROVED Michael B. Lustgarten Regional Security Officer (Special Agent in Charge)		DO NOT WRITE IN THIS SPACE	
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ENCLOSURE

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"A verbal report of this interrogation in the Dutch language was written by Mr. BRINKENBERG, duly signed under his oath of office on the 25th of May 1964.

"After having brought back to their memory the journey in Mexico, Mr. BRINKENBERG started to interrogate Mrs. Ada DE CUBA - DESLIP.

- Q: Can you remember with which transportation company you travelled to Nuevo Laredo?
- A: Yes, it was the Transportes del Norte line.
- Q: Where did you board the bus and where did you cross the border between Mexico and the U.S.A.?
- A: My husband and I boarded the bus in Mexico City. I cannot remember the name of the town where we reached the border, but it was in the vicinity of Nuevo Laredo, where the bus went after the border check.
- Q: Can you remember something about the procedure of the immigration officers at the Mexican border?
- A: I cannot recall this exactly. I think that I remained in the bus.
- Q: Can you remember a young man sitting in the bus, who got in trouble with the immigration authorities at the Mexican border?
- A: Yes, I remember a young man, who was ordered by the immigration to leave the bus. I suppose that he was an American; apparently he did not speak Spanish. I did not hear what he said or what was said to him.
- Q: Do you know the reason why he was ordered to leave the bus or what kind of trouble he had?
- A: No, I don't know, but I got the impression that he had trouble about his papers, that his passport was not good or something the like. But I am not sure of this, it is just an impression.

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- Q: Can you give a description of this young man. Do you know where he boarded the bus and where he went?
- A: I estimate this man to be not older than 30 years. He was slim and as tall as you are (reporter measures bare feet 5 feet, 10 inches). He did not wear a hat nor a coat. He was dressed in a sport shirt. I don't know where this man went. After the border check we went to Nuevo Laredo and there we changed into a Greyhound bus. I don't know if this man also changed busses. I cannot remember having seen him again afterwards. I suppose that this man entered the bus in Mexico City, but I am not sure of this. I would not recognize this young man and I did not recognize him from the picture you showed me.
- Q: On what date and hour did you leave Mexico City and did you arrive in Nuevo Laredo?
- A: We left Mexico City on the 2nd of October 1963 about 8:30 a.m. and arrived at the border in the night. About one hour later we arrived in Nuevo Laredo. This was on the 3rd of October 1963, about 2:00 a.m.
- Q: How many people were there in the bus and where was your seat?
- A: I don't know how many people there were in the bus. I presume that we were sitting in the middle of the bus.
- Q: Where did you buy tickets for the bus?
- A: My husband took care of it. I think that he bought them in Mexico City.
- "Thereupon Mr. Juan M. DE CUBA was interrogated.
- Q: Can you remember with which transportation company you travelled to Nuevo Laredo?
- A: Yes, with a bus of the Transportes del Norte.

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- Q1: Where did you enter the bus and where did you cross the border between Mexico and the U.S.A.?
- A1: My wife and I entered the bus in Mexico City. At the border, I cannot recall the name of the town, we had first the Mexican immigration and immediately thereupon the U.S.A. immigration.
- Q1: Can you remember the procedure of the immigration at the Mexican border?
- A1: We were checked twice, first by the Mexican immigration and afterwards by the American immigration. I think my wife remained in the bus, but I am not sure of this. It is possible that I had to show my papers in the bus but it is also possible that all the passengers had to leave the bus. However, I had no difficulties at the border. But I cannot recall the details.
- Q1: Can you remember a young man, sitting in the bus, who had trouble with the immigration authorities?
- A1: Yes, I remember a young man who was ordered by the Mexican authorities to leave the bus. I presume that he was an American, for he could not speak Spanish. Otherwise I did not hear what he said or what was said to him.
- Q1: Do you know why he had to leave the bus or what was wrong with him?
- A1: No, I don't know. I thought that there was something wrong with his passport or papers. I just got this impression.
- Q1: Can you describe this young man. Do you know where he boarded the bus and where he went?
- A1: I estimate the age of this man between 20 and 30 years, anyhow not older than 30 years. He wore ^{no} hat nor coat. He wore a sport shirt. He was slim and shorter than you are. I don't know where this man went. I believe that he did not enter the bus in Mexico City but at one of the busstops between Mexico City and the border. After the border check he went, as far as I know, with the bus to Nuevo Laredo. There my wife and I changed into a Greyhound bus and I have not seen the man anymore. It is not impossible that he also got

into the Greyhound bus, but I can impossible say so, for I have not seen this man anymore. I would not recognize this man, neither do I recognize him from the picture you showed me.

- Q1: On what day and hour did you leave Mexico City and when did you arrive in Nuevo Laredo?
- A1: We left Mexico City in the morning of the 2nd of October 1963 about 0:30 and arrived at the border station close after midnight. Approximately one hour later we arrived in Nuevo Laredo, this was on the 3rd of October 1963 about two o'clock in the night.
- Q1: How many people were there in the bus and where were you seated?
- A1: I don't know how many people there were in the bus. The bus was not full. I was sitting about the middle of the bus and I think that the young man was sitting diagonally behind me.
- Q1: Where did you buy the bus tickets?
- A1: I bought the tickets already at the beginning of my journey. Thus I had them already. However before the beginning of our bus trip I went in Mexico City to the office of the Greyhound in order to make reservations.

"Mr. DE CUBA added that he was not in Dallas during this trip. They passed by Dallas, but did not leave the bus there. He does not know if anybody left the bus in or near Dallas.

"This translation into the English language was duly done by me, Hendrik J. VISSER, Sub-Inspector 1st class of the Netherlands-Antilles Police Force, attached to the Staff of the Chief-Commissioner of Police, Willemstad, Curacao, and signed under my oath of office on this 20th of May 1964.

/s/ H. J. Visser

"Visé by the Chief-Commissioner Netherlands-Antilles Police Forces

/s/ J. P. van der Stour, L.L.B."

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INVESTIGATION IN CARACAS, VENEZUELA

Matilde MURACCIOLE (Davila), born March 14, 1897 at Tovar, Merida, Venezuela and Maria Cristina Muracciole (note variance in spelling - Caracciola) (Davila) de PIEDRA, born September 10, 1917 at Merida, Venezuela could not be located. However, information from their brother, Jose Ramon MURACCIOLE, revealed that his sisters are now residing in Mexico City, Mexico at Hotel Roosevelt, Av. Insurgentes 287.

Record checks with the following agencies in the name of the sisters MURACCIOLE were non derogatory:

Venezuelan Bureau of Identification, Caracas
Judicial Technical Police, Caracas
Direction General of Police, Caracas

NOTE: Final report will be submitted upon receipt of portion now pending at Kingston, Jamaica.



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LEE HARVEY OSWALDBASIS FOR INQUIRY

The information set out below was made available by a confidential source abroad.

According to the records of the Department of Immigration, Mexican Ministry of "Gobernacion" (Interior or Government), Mexico, D. F., Mexico, among tourist cards surrendered by "aliens" departing from Mexico at Nuevo Laredo, State of Tamaulipas, as tourists on October 3, 1963, was the tourist card of Herbert Robert VOORHEES. This card was an FM-5 permit bearing No. 4325846. It was valid for 180 days' stay in Mexico. This tourist card was issued by the Mexican Immigration Service in Nuevo Laredo on June 5, 1963, and the following data was recorded thereon:

VOORHEES entered Mexico at Nuevo Laredo on June 5, 1963, by train with final destination designated as Mexico, D. F. He was described on the tourist card as a male, American citizen; 73 years of age; a widower; retired; born in Beloit, Wisconsin; residence, Overland Park, Kansas. He presented a birth certificate as proof of citizenship. This tourist card carries the typewritten Spanish word "tren" (meaning train), and the Mexican Immigration form FM-11 which constitutes a recapitulation of departures of tourists at Nuevo Laredo on October 3, 1963, records that VOORHEES departed from Mexico by railroad with the final destination of "Overland, P. K." The departure of VOORHEES from Mexico was handled by Mexican Immigration Service employee ALBERTO ARZAMENDI CHAPA.

COMMISSION EXHIBIT No. 2460