

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

1Date June 13, 1964

MARTIN ANDERSON, Associated Press, Indianapolis, Indiana, advised that he had never talked to DAVID HOY on November 24, 1963. He stated that he knew that HOY was a newscaster with WIKY in Evansville, Indiana.

Mr. ANDERSON believed that in all probability DALE BURGESS took the original call from HOY and that in all probability, the call was collect as this is standard procedure among those in the news media to do so.

ANDERSON stated that whatever information HOY had made available to BURGESS was released by the Associated Press in Indianapolis and in all probability had been used in an Associated Press release originating from Dallas, Texas.



In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Dallas, Texas  
June 13, 1964

LEE HARVEY OSWALD

By letter dated May 28, 1964, the President's Commission advised that it had information that EARLENE ROBERTS, who was the manager of the house on Beckley Street in which LEE HARVEY OSWALD lived at the time of the assassination of President KENNEDY, may have been in San Antonio, Texas, on November 21, 1963, at the time President KENNEDY visited that city.

On June 8, 1964, Mrs. GLADYS JOHNSON, 1026 North Beckley, Dallas, Texas, and proprietor of the rooming house located at that address, advised that EARLENE ROBERTS was formerly employed by her as a housekeeper at that address and was so employed on November 21, 1963.

Mrs. JOHNSON stated that EARLENE ROBERTS spent the entire day of November 21, 1963, at 1026 North Beckley Street, Dallas, Texas, and stated any information to the contrary is absolutely false. Mrs. JOHNSON said that at various times on November 21, 1963, she personally observed EARLENE ROBERTS at 1026 North Beckley, Dallas.

Mrs. JOHNSON related that EARLENE ROBERTS is 59 years old, is a diabetic, obese, and has a low mentality. Further, she stated the only trip she knows EARLENE ROBERTS ever takes is to her doctor, who is also located in Dallas, Texas.

Mrs. JOHNSON advised she does not know where EARLENE ROBERTS is presently employed.

On June 8, 1964, Mrs. BERTHA CARDELLA (VOGLE) CHEEK, 5901 Hillcrest, Dallas, Texas, telephone number LA 1-2705, advised she is the sister of EARLENE ROBERTS, who was formerly

COMMISSION EXHIBIT No. 2996

On 6/11/64 at Indianapolis, Indiana File # IP 44-358

by SA PATRICK J. FLETCHER, JR. :xm@ote dictated 6/12/64

This document contains neither recommendations nor conclusions of the FBI. It is the property of the FBI and is loaned to your agency; it and its contents are not to be distributed outside your agency.

COMMISSION EXHIBIT No. 2995—Continued

Re: LEE HARVEY OSWALD

employed as a housekeeper by Mrs. GLADYS JOHNSON at the residence located at 1026 North Beckley Street, Dallas, Texas. Mrs. CHEEK said EARLENE ROBERTS has had three different employments since leaving Mrs. JOHNSON and is presently employed by Mrs. O. B. NANCE, 624 West 5th Street, Dallas, Texas, as a practical nurse. Mrs. CHEEK advised that Mrs. NANCE is an elderly woman, practically bedfast, and EARLENE ROBERTS is engaged full time taking care of her.

Mrs. CHEEK related that EARLENE ROBERTS attributes her frequent changes in employment to the fact that she has been contacted many times by law enforcement officers. She stated EARLENE ROBERTS has informed her that once an employer finds she had anything at all to do with LEE HARVEY OSWALD she is discharged. She further stated EARLENE ROBERTS has requested that, if possible, she be contacted telephonically and suggested she (Mrs. CHEEK) first contact EARLENE ROBERTS and have her telephone the Dallas Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Regarding the allegation that EARLENE ROBERTS may have been in San Antonio, Texas, on November 21, 1963, at the time President KENNEDY visited that city, Mrs. CHEEK stated there is no truth at all to this. She recalled that EARLENE ROBERTS spent the entire day of November 21, 1963, at 1026 North Beckley, Dallas, Texas, where she was then employed as a housekeeper. Mrs. CHEEK pointed out that EARLENE ROBERTS is 59 years old, is a diabetic, obese, and unwilling to travel any distance from Dallas, Texas.

On June 8, 1964, Mrs. EARLENE ROBERTS, 624 West 5th Street, Dallas, Texas, telephonically advised she is presently employed at that residence taking care of Mrs. O. B. (ETHEL) NANCE, an elderly woman who has phlebitis and is almost bedfast. She said she has been employed in this capacity for the past three weeks. She also stated she has had four jobs in the past three months and attributes this to the fact that when her employers find out she was formerly the housekeeper at the rooming house where LEE HARVEY OSWALD lived, they dismiss her. She requested that if it were necessary to contact her at any future date that this be done telephonically, if at all possible, so that her employment would not be jeopardized.

- 2 -

COMMISSION EXHIBIT No. 2996—Continued

Re: LEE HARVEY OSWALD

EARLENE ROBERTS advised she was formerly employed by Mrs. GLADYS JOHNSON as a housekeeper at the rooming house located at 1026 North Beckley, Dallas, and was so employed on November 21, 1963. Mrs. ROBERTS said she spent the entire day of November 21, 1963, at 1026 North Beckley, Dallas, Texas. She said she did not go to San Antonio, Texas, and, further, she has not been outside the city limits of Dallas, Texas, for the past five years, and only once in the last seventeen years. Mrs. ROBERTS explained she has diabetes and is afraid to leave Dallas and be away from her doctor. She said she has been in a diabetic coma on two occasions, and when in this coma appears to be intoxicated. She said she has been picked up by the police, who thought she was intoxicated, but later learned she was a diabetic. She said if she got too far away from her doctor, got in a diabetic coma, and was picked up by the police, they might think she was drunk and, while in this coma, she could die. She said she is very fearful of this and because of this will not take any trips. She again stated she spent the entire day of November 21, 1963, at 1026 North Beckley, Dallas, Texas.

- 3 -

COMMISSION EXHIBIT No. 2996—Continued